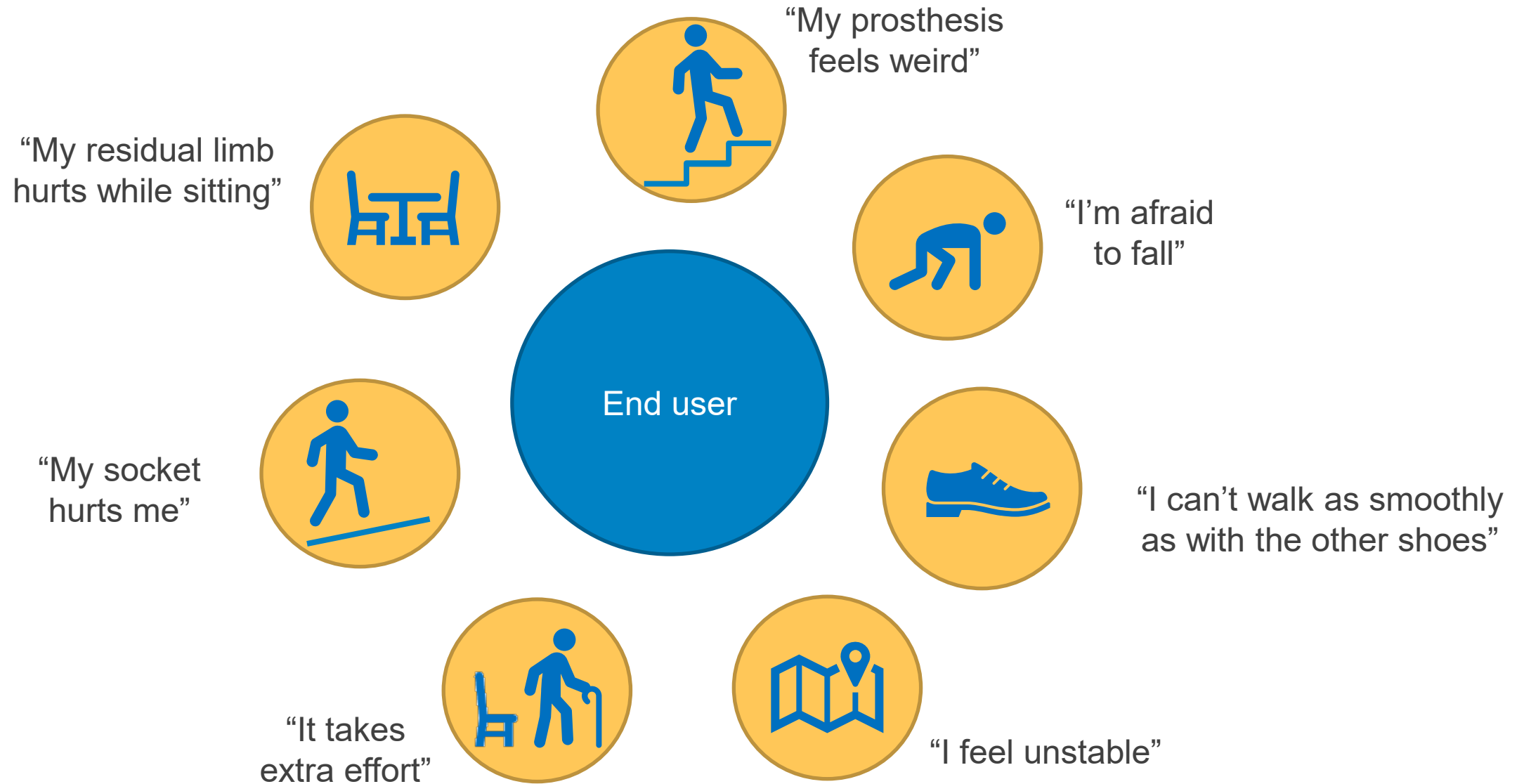




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ACADEMY

PROPRIO FOOT

Challenges of the user



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Low activity user

Moderate activity user

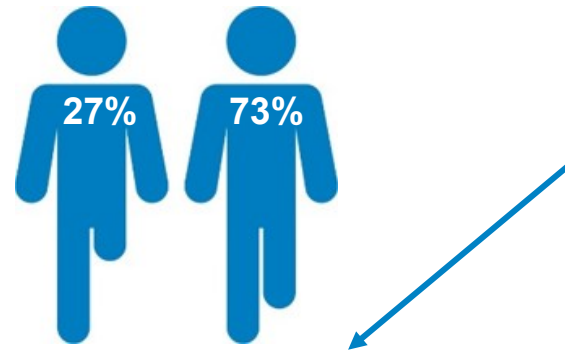


Medical Necessity

Reported falls

Fear of falling

- n = 435
- Majority TT

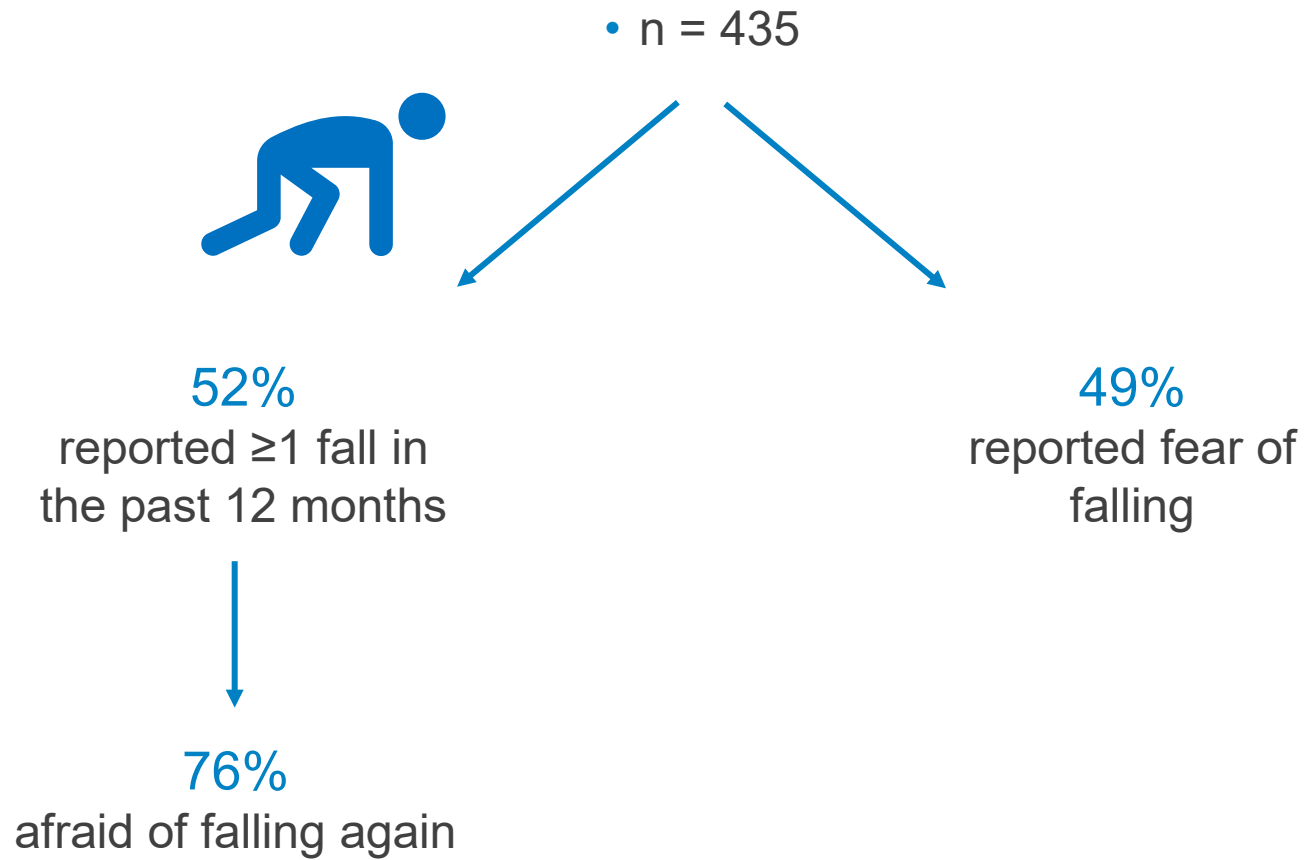


52%
reported ≥ 1 fall in
the past 12 months

Medical Necessity

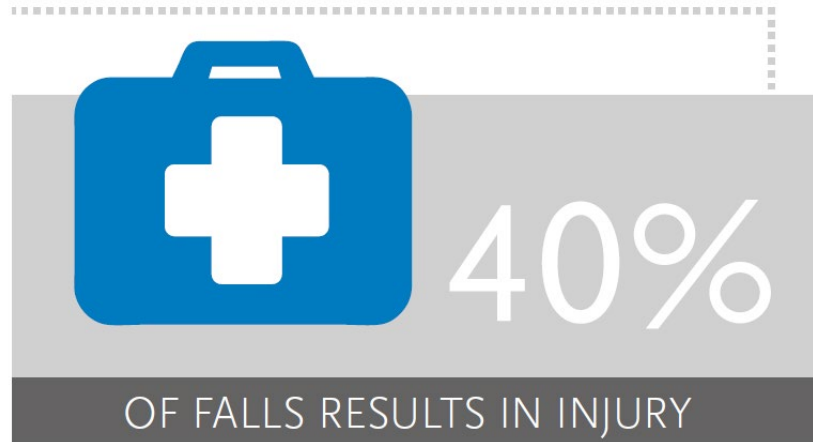
Reported falls

Fear of falling



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- High risk of TF amputees falling



- “1 out of 2 amputees who fall require medical attention”

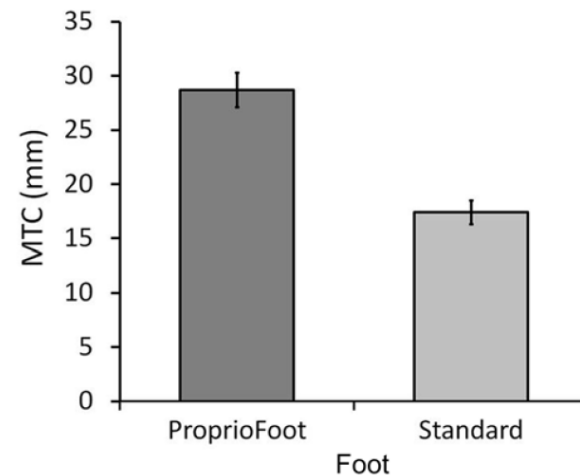


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- MTC ~70% greater



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- Changes to Minimum Toe Clearance (MTC) could increase the incidence of trips and fall risk



- MTC ~70% greater



- Decreased likelihood of tripping (and pursuant likelihood of a fall)



- Increased safety

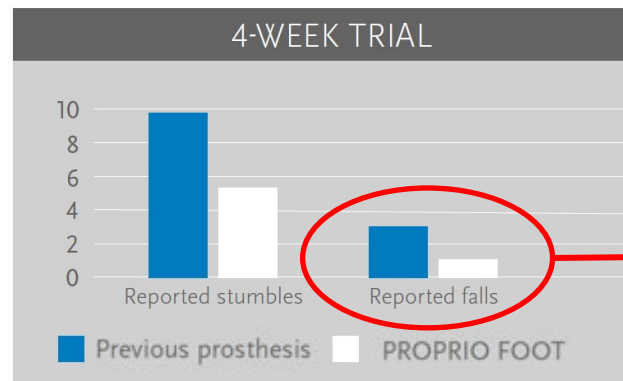
Medical Necessity Increased ground clearance

Decreased trips and falls

- Improved user mobility



- Fewer stumbles and falls



Reduction of 70%

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More natural stair ascent/descent

- 16 TTA + 16 non-amputees
- Neutral ankle angle vs. 4° adaptation

Knee flexion is restricted because of limited (ankle) dorsal flexion

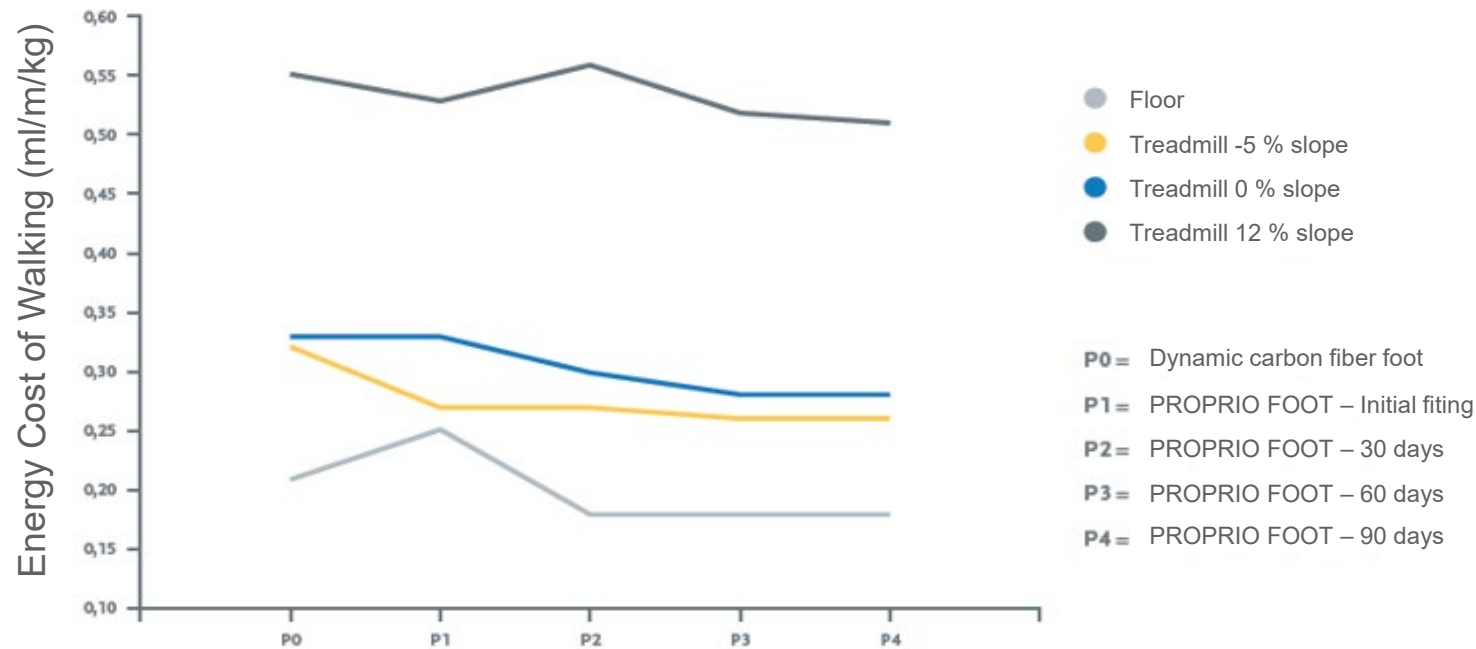
For both stair ascent and descent improvements of knee kinematics and kinetics

Increased knee flexion and increased knee moment

More physiological knee flexion during stair ascent and descent



- 10 TTA
- Dynamic carbon fiber foot vs. PROPRIO FOOT
- Suspension changed to Seal-In X5
- Final evaluation after 90 days of use



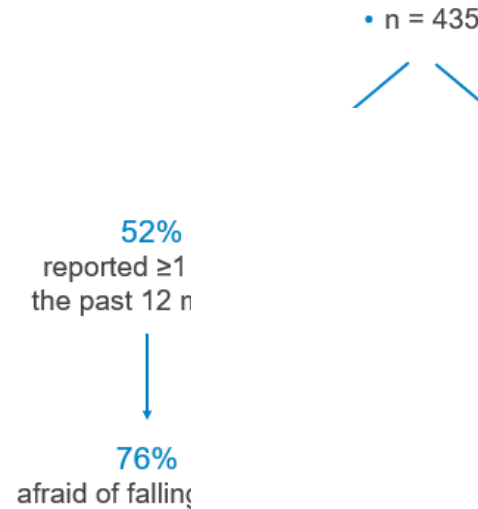
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Medical Necessity – Conclusion

- Increase in reported falls
- Fear of falling
- Falls cause injuries

PROPRIO FOOT

- Increased ground clearance
- Decreased trips and falls
- More natural stair ascent/descent
- Reduced energy consumption



Medical Necessity – Whitepaper

PROPRIO FOOT®

Because the world is not flat

Amputees have reported to fall more often than the able-bodied population, contributing to fear of falling within the amputee population. These challenges partially stem from not providing the same toe clearance during swing phase as the anatomical feet do, increasing the risk of tripping and potentially a higher incidence of falls among amputees. Stability on a ramp or stairs can also be compromised when using a non-adaptive prosthetic foot on varied terrain and declined. Furthermore, the amputee's confidence and stability on stairs, in ascending and descending, are negatively affected while using a prosthetic foot that does not adapt into a dorsiflexed position. The impact of these challenges result in a reduction in amputee mobility, but are further compounded in terms of quality of life in the cost of care and pain and suffering following a fall.

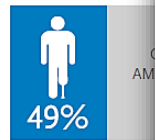
PROPRIO FOOT® is designed to address these challenges:

- Active swing phase dorsiflexion on PROPRIO FOOT has been shown to increase ground clearance and reduce the likelihood of tripping, which could potentially reduce the risk of falls.
- PROPRIO FOOT stance phase and terrain adaptation technology is designed to improve stability on uneven terrain and thereby improve mobility.

While falls in the amputee population have significant implications of the fear of falling, one out of every two amputees reported falling² which significantly reduces quality of life.³

THE LINK BETWEEN LIMB-LOSS AND FALLS

Amputees fall more often than their able-bodied counterparts. According to a large study¹, half of the investigated amputee population, of which TT amputees represented the majority, reported to have fallen in the last year.



Furthermore, a large study found that 1 out of 5 amputees has fallen during their rehabilitation time, while 18% of this population were injured seeking medical attention due to their fall.² Amputees with a history of falling show impaired mobility and significantly reduced outcome measures.²

COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH FALLS

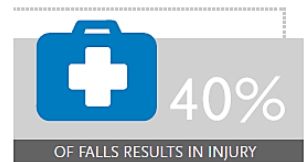
Although there is scarce public data on the costs of falls within the amputee population, among older adults there have been reports of an average one-year cost attributed to falls requiring subsequent medical attention of \$4,872. Furthermore, if the fall cost may increase up to \$35,000 for the elderly population, it is estimated that the cost of falls in the elderly population is \$3.3 billion in 2012 and \$3.1 billion in 2015.



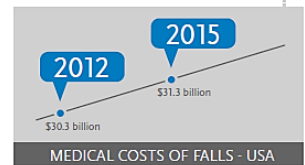
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Because the world is not flat

A study on amputees' falls shows that up to 40% of their falls result in an injury and 1 out of 2 amputees who fall necessitates medical attention, which is higher than for the non-amputated elderly which has been estimated to be 30%.⁷



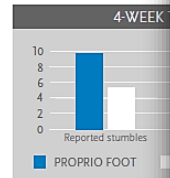
The only published study on transfemoral amputees indicated an estimated cost of \$25,652 at 6 months for falls resulting in hospitalization, which is similar to the costs within the elderly population.⁴ Direct medical costs related to all falls in the USA was \$31.3 billion in 2015, up from \$30.3 billion in 2012.⁵



PROPRIO FOOT: REDUCING FALLS

In light of the increased incidence of falls, it is important to consider the overall impact of these solutions. Prosthetic technology that reduces the risk of falls is worth considering both from a quality of life and healthcare cost perspective.

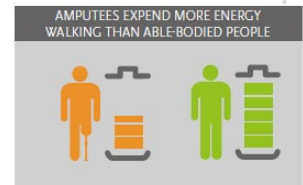
The choice of a prosthetic ankle influences the user's perception of tripping on unforeseen obstacles on ground clearance. Stumbles, which are often caused by falls, directly relate to ground clearance. Active dorsiflexion that provides 70° of ankle clearance during swing phase, reducing the risk of tripping.



Users have reported fewer stumbles during a 4-week trial of PROPRIO FOOT compared to their previous prosthetic. The number of reported falls decreased from 3.4 to 1.8.

PROPRIO FOOT: PROVIDING ESSENTIAL BENEFITS TO AMPUTEES

Amputees expend more energy walking than able-bodied people.¹⁹ This difference is intensified on uneven terrain: As the terrain gets more challenging, amputees are further taxed.¹⁹ Amputees therefore tend to avoid obstacles which then limits their mobility to a higher degree. Some of these mobility limitations are related to the lack of ankle adaptation.



During stance, stability is affected by the ability of a prosthetic foot to adapt to the underlying terrain. PROPRIO FOOT adapts automatically to changes in terrain, providing an ankle position that matches the underlying slope angle, resulting in a larger base of support.¹⁸

Additionally, the energy cost of walking is reduced with PROPRIO FOOT on level ground, using a Seal-In® suspension system¹⁸ and the knee and the hip move in a more physiological way on inclines, helping the user to walk more naturally¹⁸, with more symmetry in loading¹⁸, and with an increased perception of safety in ramp descent.¹⁸ At the same time the user's interface, the socket, is affected by smoothed peak loads, in a more level ground like manner. The terrain compliant ankle compensates for increased peak loads from walking on uneven terrain.¹⁸

"My work environment involves walking tunnels and up/down stairs. I usually try to avoid stairs with my prescribed foot but I never avoid them with PROPRIO FOOT."

User comment internal data

Descending stairs presents another challenge. When wearing a standard prosthetic foot on this edge demands a high step from the user while also reducing the surface area, allowing potential slippage. With the PROPRIO FOOT, the ankle is pre-positioned into an individual dorsiflexion allowing for deeper positioning results in more natural kinetics and kinematics. Positioning the prosthetic foot further also allows users with lower stair descent costs stairs with a more cyclical and natural pattern.

CONCLUSION

PROPRIO FOOT delivers value to both the healthcare providers of the amputee and the amputee. It decreases the amputee's rate of falls through five degrees of swing phase dorsiflexion, increased stability and socket comfort, increased stability and socket comfort, increased stability and reducing the likelihood of falls, increasing quality of life and reducing the number of falls in the amputee population. The advantages over a lifetime of steps and healthcare benefits become clear.

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User Profile

ÖSSUR DYNAMIC SOLUTIONS

- Low to moderate active users
- Unilateral transtibial amputation
- Bilateral transtibial amputation
- Unilateral transfemoral amputation

User Information	
Amputation Level:	Transtibial and Transfemoral
Impact Level:	Low to Moderate
Maximum Patient Weight:	125kg (275lbs)

Case-by-case assessment:

- Bilateral transfemoral amputation
- Limited residual limb control

Background

2006

Össur launches the world's first microprocessor-controlled prosthetic ankle-foot system for lower limb amputees.



2016

Pro-Flex® is launched introducing carbon technology that provides significantly greater ankle power than conventional carbon feet.



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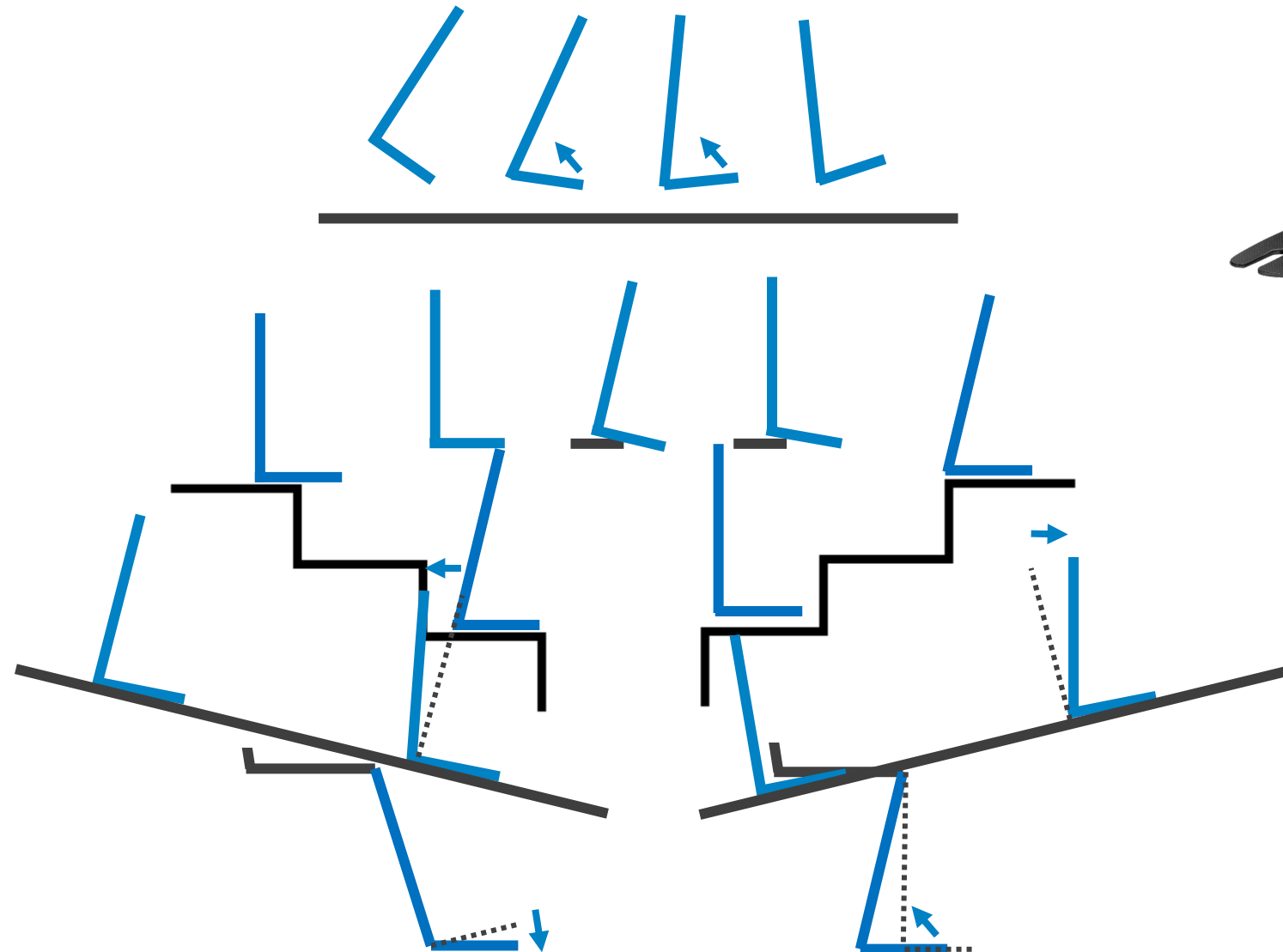
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Innovative design of PROPRIO FOOT®
+
Pro-Flex® LP



PROPRIO FOOT – Review

Core functions:

- Swing dorsiflexion
- Ankle alignment
- Stair adaptation
- Ramp adaptation
- Relax/Chair exit

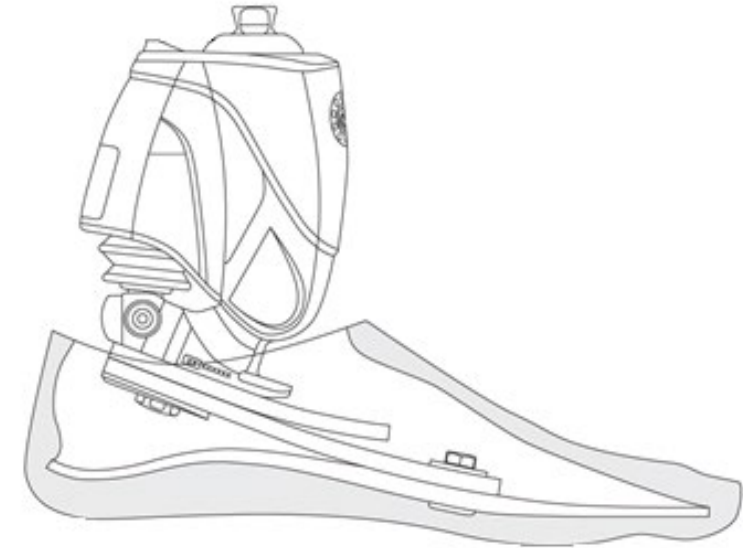


PROPRIO FOOT – What's new



Technical Specifications

- Ankle ROM: 33°
 - Size 27: movement range -19° (dorsi) to +14° (plantar)
ankle alignment range -2° (dorsi) to +14° (plantar)
heel height accommodation up to 50 mm / 2"
- Average ROM foot module: approx. 16 degrees
- Unity available for sizes 25-30



CATEGORY SELECTION GUIDE

Weight kg	45-52	53-59	60-68	69-77	78-88	89-100	101-116	117-125
Weight lbs	99-115	116-130	131-150	151-170	171-194	195-220	221-256	257-275
Low Impact Level	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Moderate Impact Level	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

Foot Cover

- Beige and brown foot covers
- FSF - narrow footcover
 - Used for small sizes, allows room for ankle module
 - No attachment plate
 - Lower opening
- FST - standard Pro-Flex family footcover
 - Attachment plate



FSF



FST

SELECTION CHART FOR PRODUCT VARIANTS								
Category	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Size 22	FSF Foot Cover No Unity available					N/A		
Size 23								
Size 24								
Size 25	FST Foot Cover Unity available							
Size 26								
Size 27								
Size 28								
Size 29								
Size 30	N/A							

Comparison of specifications

Specification	OLD	NEW
Ankle range of motion	29°	33°
Stair Adaptation	Ascent: After the second prosthetic step Descent: After the second prosthetic step	Ascent: After the first prosthetic step Descent: After the first prosthetic step
Ramp Adaptation	8 prosthetic steps to 85% of surface	3 prosthetic steps to 85% of surface
Relax	Yes	Yes
Chair Exit	Yes	Yes, faster detection
Auto-Adjustment	16 prosthetic steps	15 prosthetic steps
Minimum walking speed	2,3 km/h	1,4 km/h
Build Height (27 Cat 5)	169 mm / 6 5/8"	180mm / 7 1/8"
Weight (27 Cat 5)	1.4kg / 3.1lbs (incl. battery)	1.5kg / 3.3lbs (incl. battery)
App Connectivity	N/A	Össur Logic

PROPRIO FOOT – How does it work

- Swing Dorsiflexion
- Ankle Alignment
- Stair adaptation
- Ramp adaptation
- Relax/ Chair Exit



Swing Dorsiflexion

- After 2 prosthetic steps
- 4° toe-lift

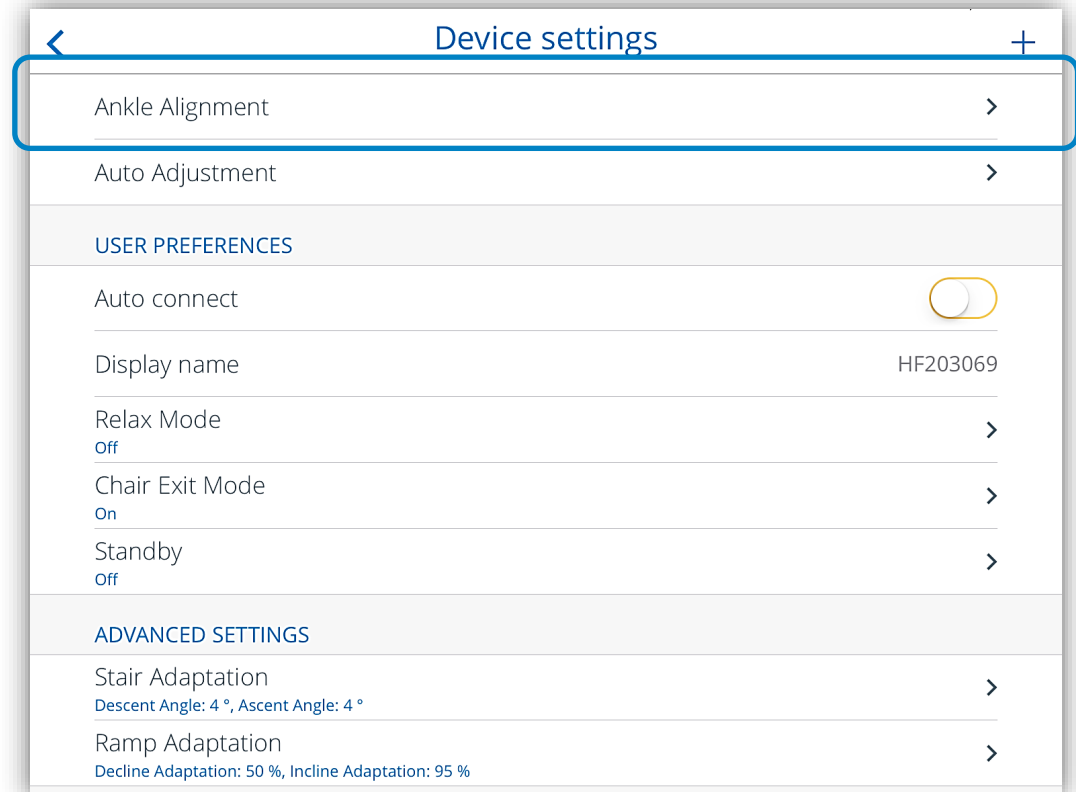
- Stair descent
 - No toe-lift



	Minimum speed	Minimum swing phase duration
Level ground / ramps	1.4 km/h / 0.9 mph	0.4 seconds
Stair ascent	1.2 km/h / 0.8 mph	0.4 seconds

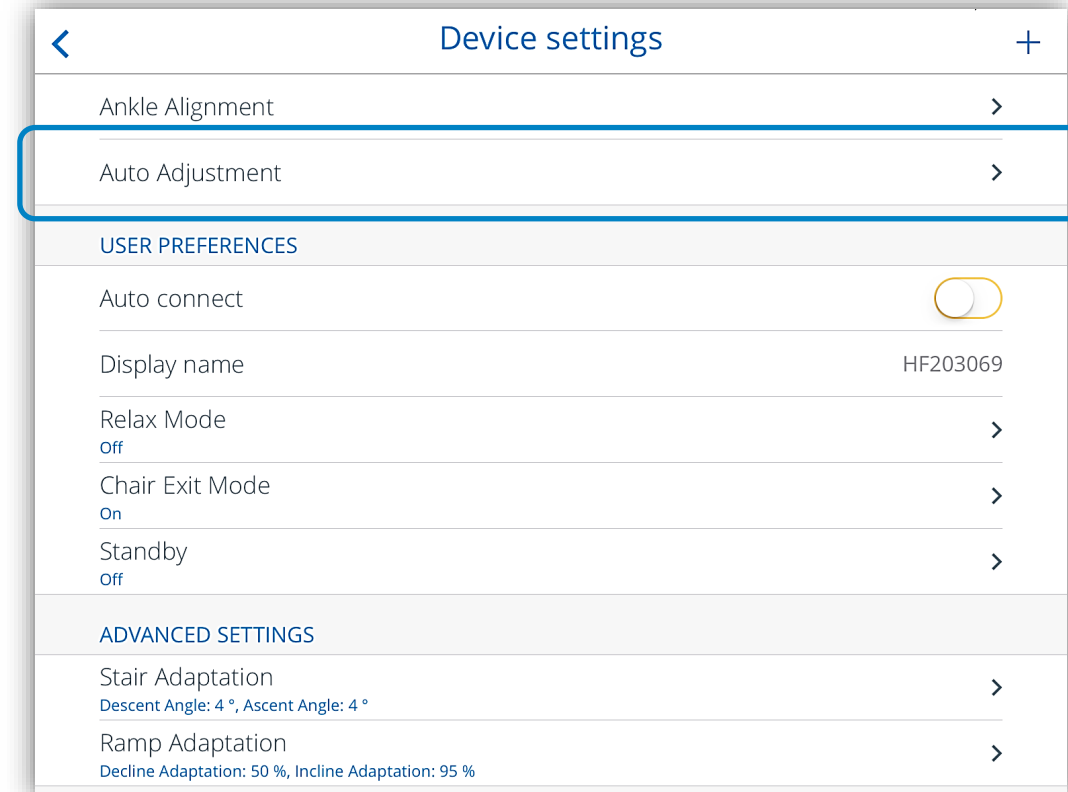
Alignment

- Ankle Alignment
 - User interface or Össur Logic app
 - Barefoot to 5 cm heel height
 - Performed by the user



Adjustment

- Auto Adjustment
 - Recognition of user's specific gait parameters
 - Calibrates to user's gait parameters
 - Essential for accurate and consistent terrain detection

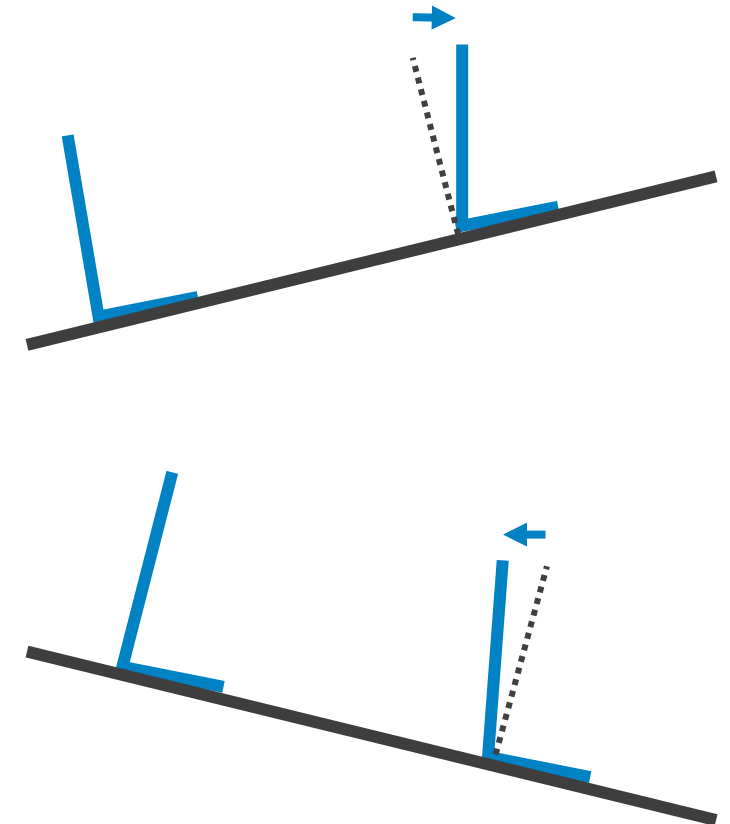


Ramp Adaptation

- Adjustable adaptation on ramps

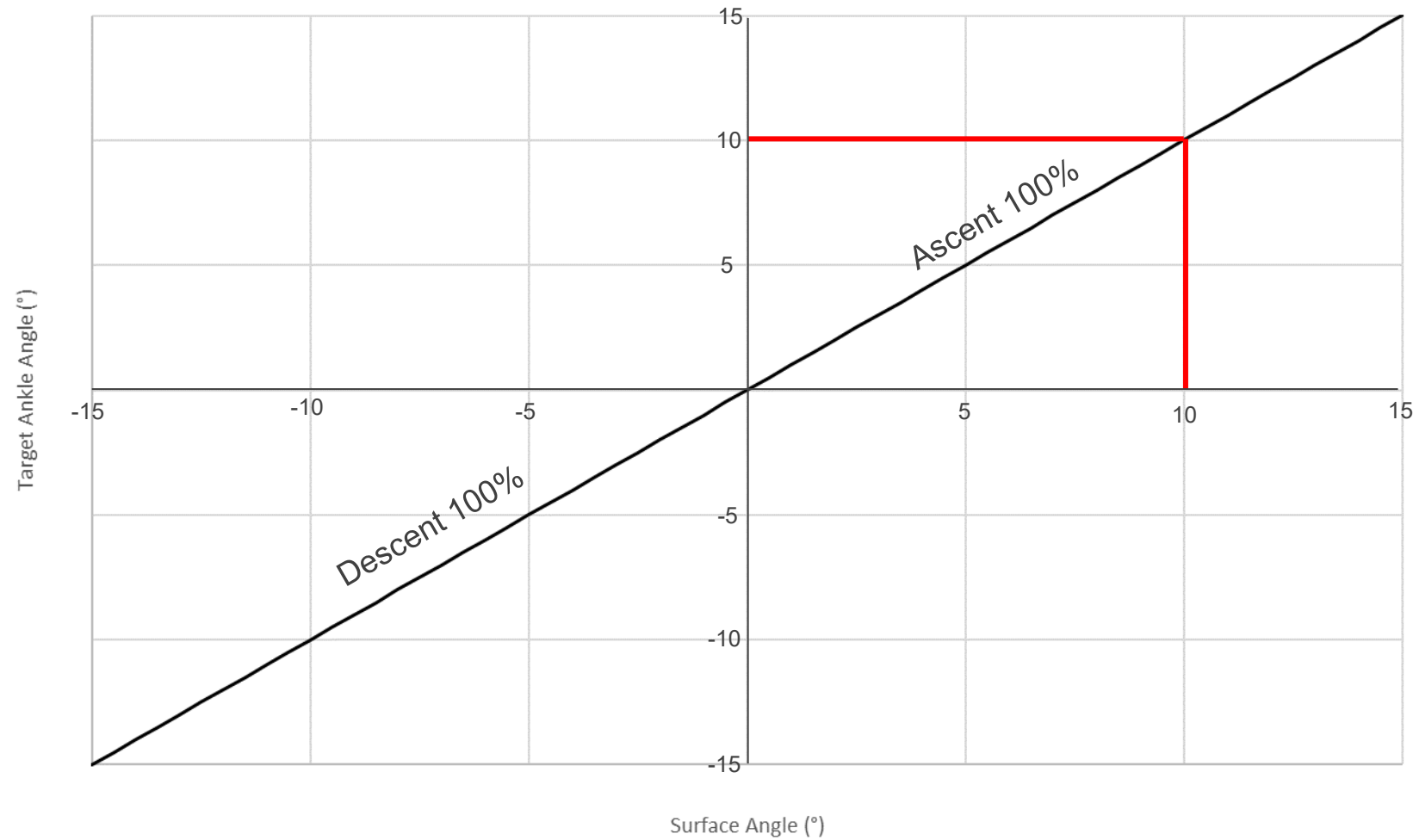
	Min	Default	Max
Ramp Ascent	0%	70%	150%
Ramp Descent	0%	65%	100%

- Near full adaptation - after three prosthetic steps
- Maximum ramp angle - approx. 15°
- Tips:
 - Very active users - consider lowering descent value (to about 30%)
 - Insecure users - consider increasing the descent value slightly



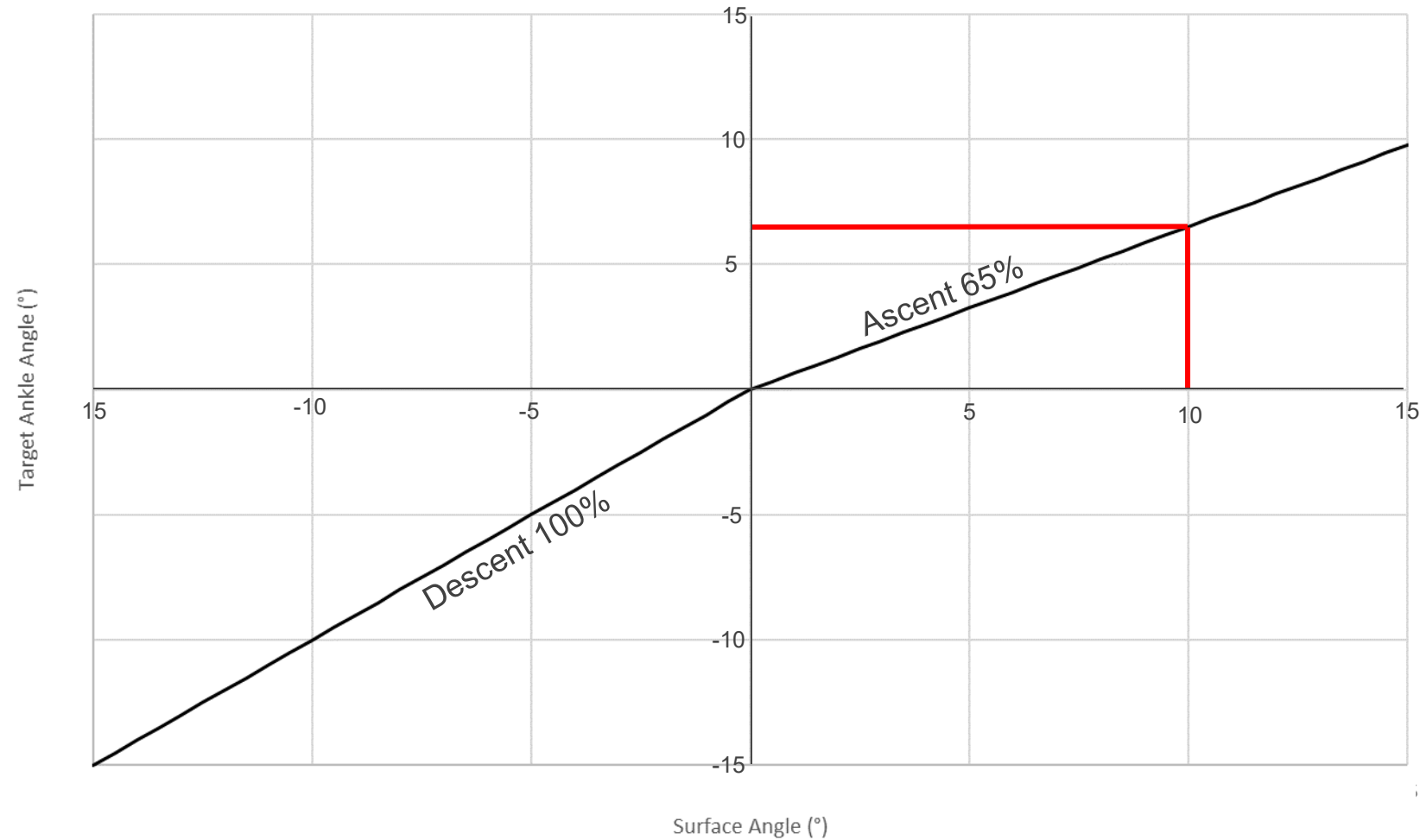
Ramp Adaptation

- Ramp Adaptation setting
 - Controls adaptation as percentage of surface angle
- Example:
 - Setting 100%
 - Surface angle 10°
 - → Ankle Angle 10°



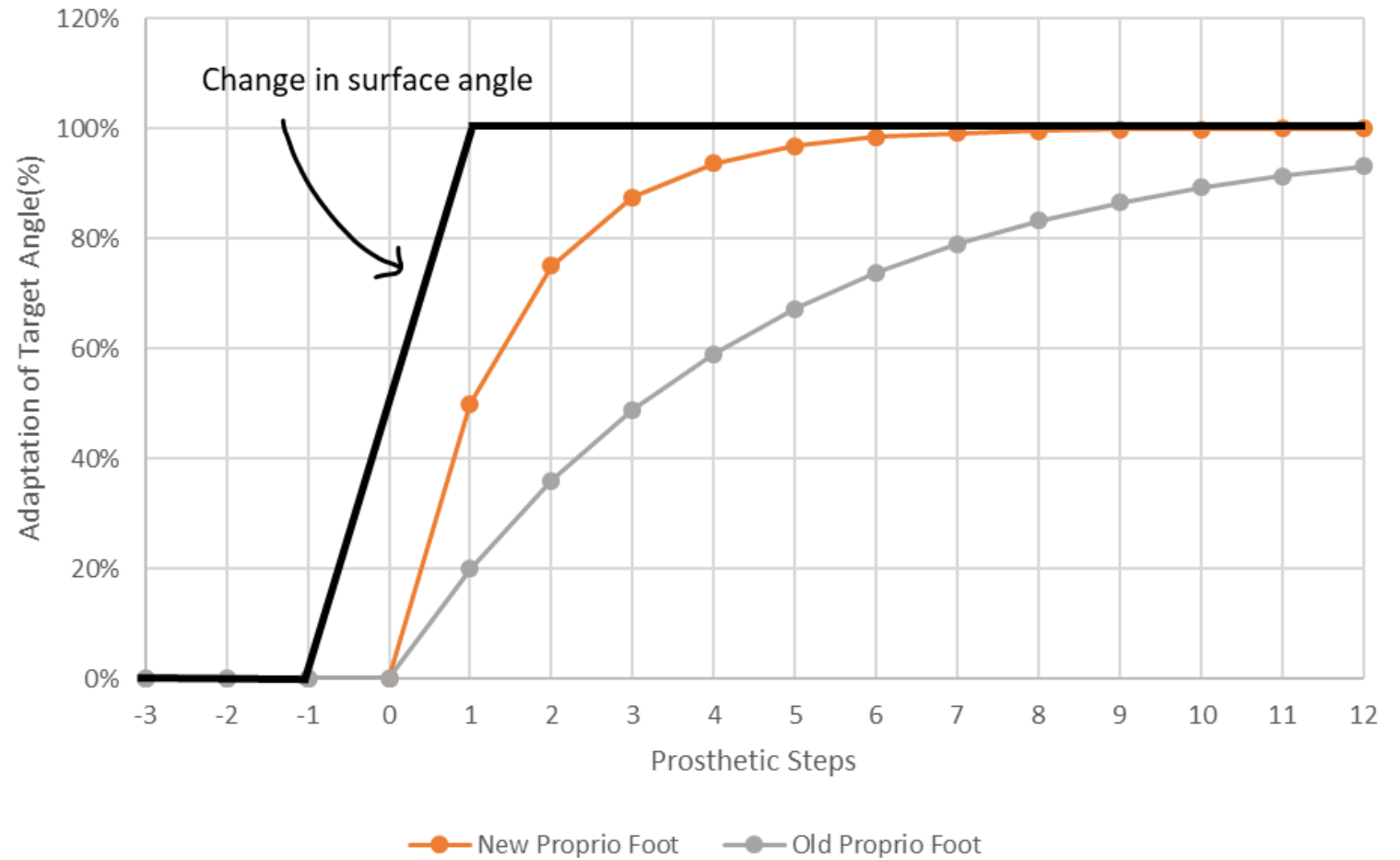
Ramp Adaptation

- Ramp Adaptation setting
 - Controls adaptation as percentage of surface angle
- Example:
 - Setting 65%
 - Surface angle 10°
 - → Ankle Angle 6.5°



Ramp Adaptation

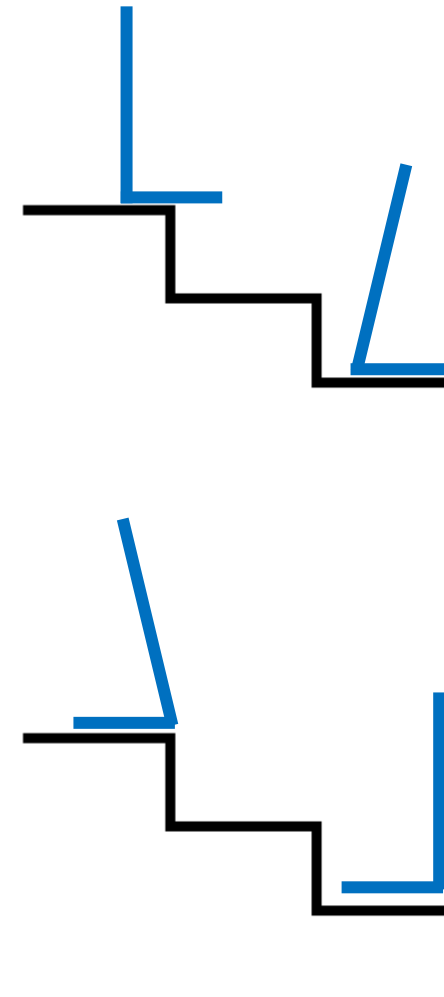
- Faster adaptation old (grey) vs new (orange)
- User's perception of adapted foot around 50% adaptation



Stair Adaptation

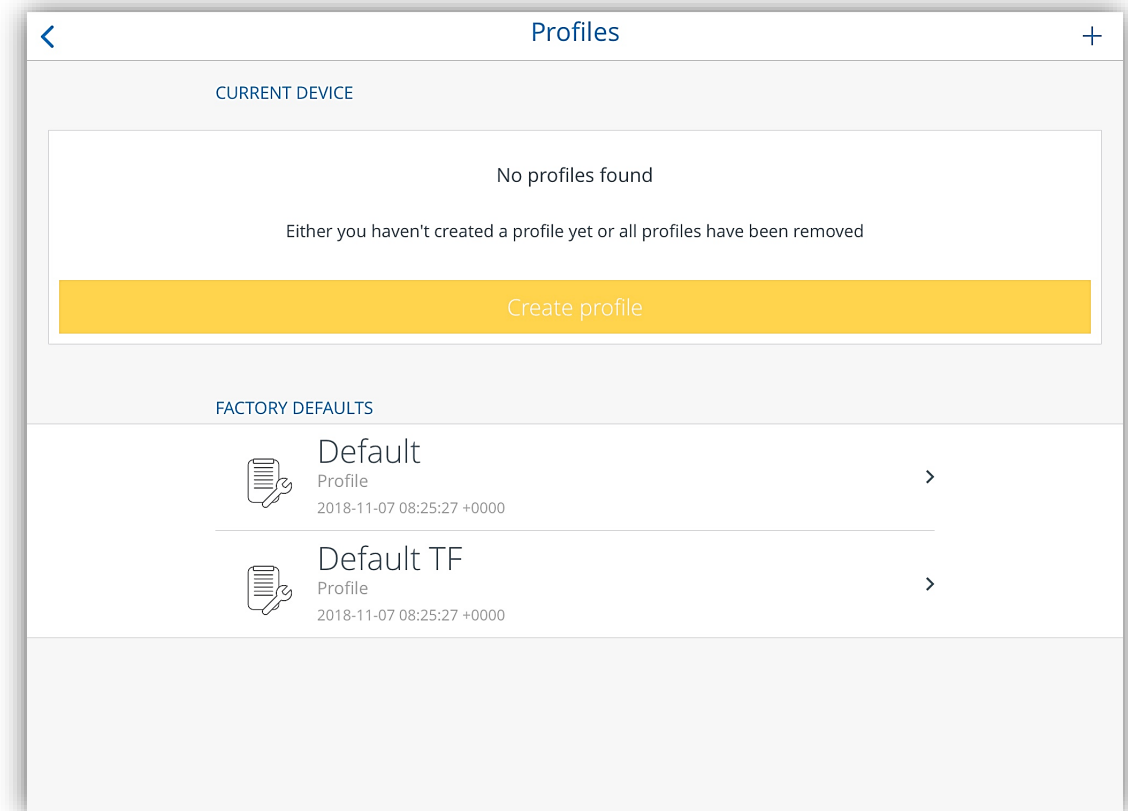
- Adjustable adaptation on stairs
 - Adaptation after the first full prosthetic step in stairs
 - Sound side first is the preferred way

	Min	Max
Stair Ascent	0°	6°
Stair Descent	0°	6°



Profiles

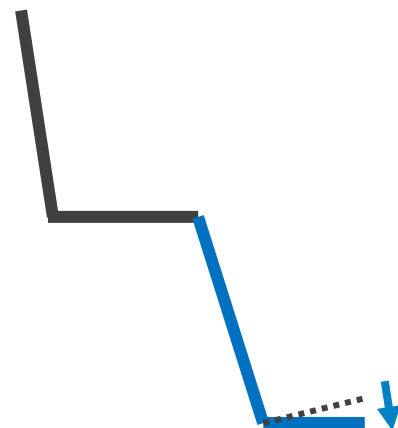
- Transfemoral (default profile)
 - Stair ascent: 0°
 - Stair descent: 0°
 - Safety:
 - Adaptation in stairs can cause instability for TF users
 - Depends on knee and walking style
- Transtibial
 - Stair ascent: 2°
 - Stair descent: 4°



Relax and Chair Exit recognition

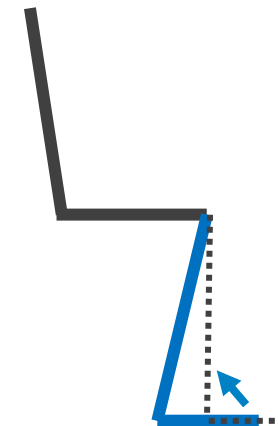
Relax:

- Detected when sitting and shank is tilted $>30^\circ$
- Foot still for two seconds
- Foot moves to full plantarflexion
- Also activated when kneeling (over -60°)



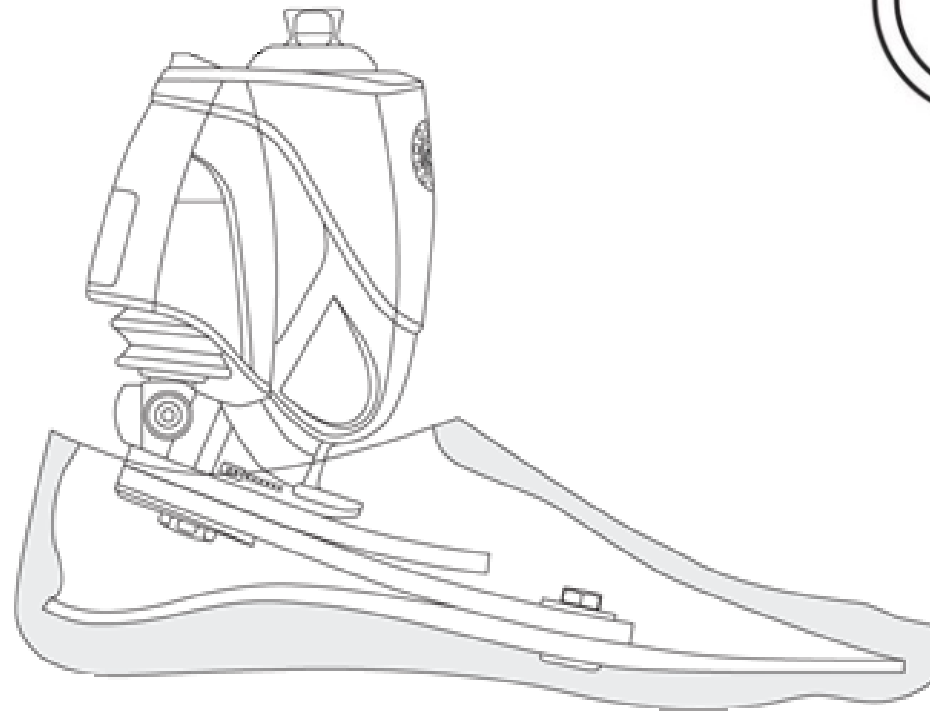
Chair Exit:

- Detected while moving the foot backwards or sideways
- Foot moves to 5° dorsiflexion
- Back to neutral in next swing phase

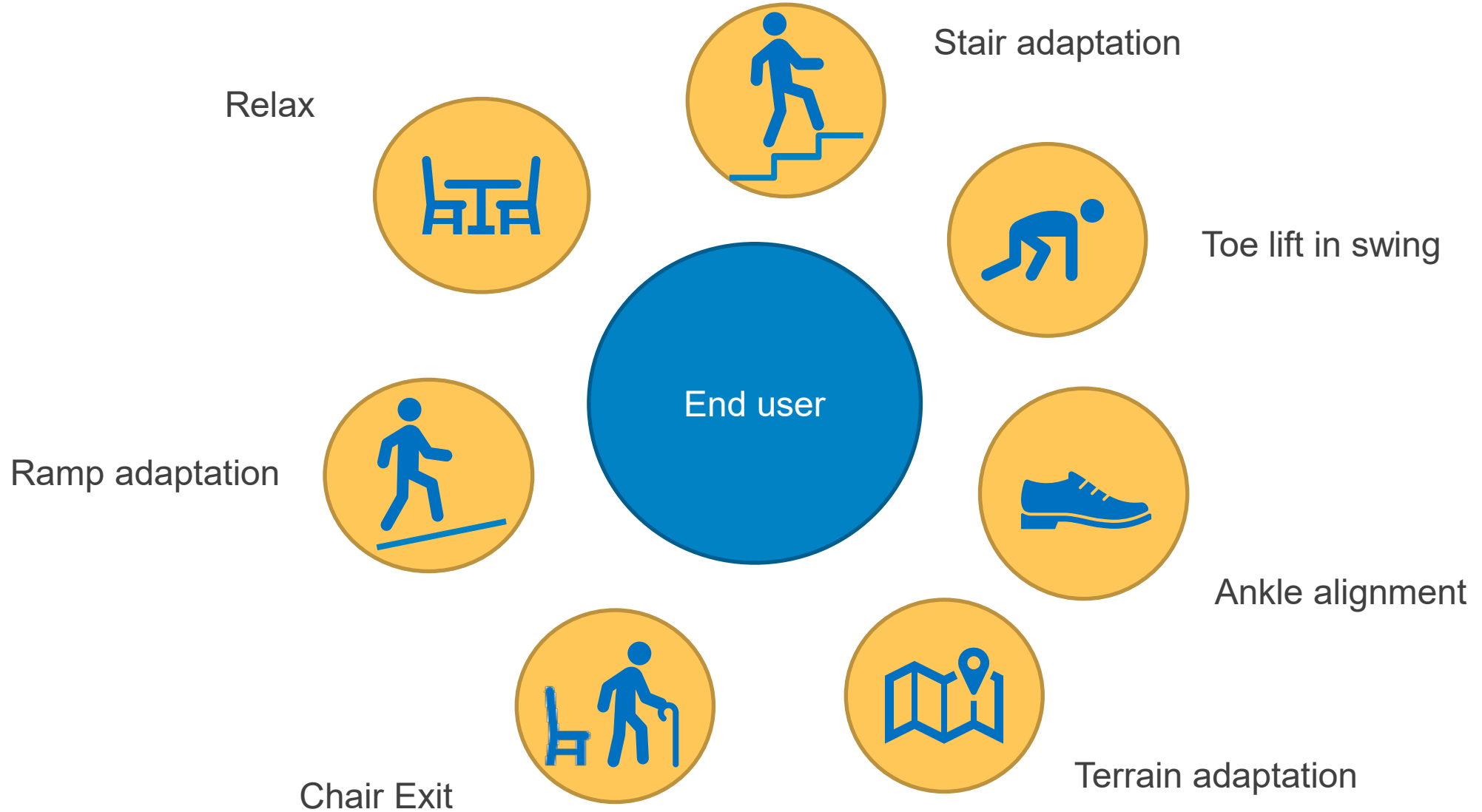


Automatic cycling recognition

- Cyclic movement detected when pedaling
- Motor movements disabled
- Holds neutral position



Benefits for the user



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