

Beer Questions: Mobile Presence Systems for Older Adults

This paper presents a straightforward but useful, small study of needs and responses to a mobile remote presence, which is fundamentally one solution to the problem of telepresence. Given the specific findings in this paper, from which you should cite (e.g. the questionnaire results or other findings/outcomes), I want you to consider three systems, choose one, and explain why it is likely to be the best possible system to design and product. I describe the three systems below. Make your choice and explain it, informed by the very results in this paper:

- 1) self-propelled MRT: a robot base as described that moves using its own wheels.
- 2) handheld tabletop MRT: the telepresence device is, like an iPad running FaceTime, entirely self-contained and able to be carried by the person and set up on a table or couch.
- 3) wearable MRT: the device is, like a wristwatch, actually worn by the occupant so that it moves with them seamlessly.