

# JohnD Project – Detailed View (v1)

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Requirements:

1. Be able to voice control his bed (Invacare bed with 1115288 pendant).

Solution – High Level:

1. Designed a microcontroller-based Voice Activated solution that provided the desired functions of Head Up, Head Down, Feet Up, Feet Down.

## Details of the Solution

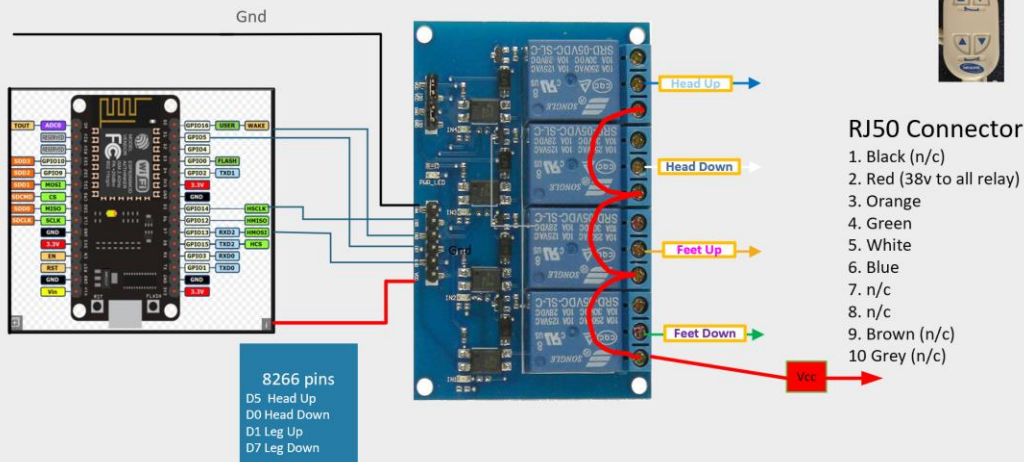
**1 – Voice Control his bed** – The Invacare bed has a 1115288 pendant that is direct wired to the bed. The approach was to have an ESP8266 microcontroller drive 4 relays which replaces the original 1115288 pendant. The 4 functions of Head Up, Head Down, Feet Up, and Feet Down, are each controlled by one of the 4 relays. We also provide an RJ50 connector to allow for a hand held 1115288 to be added, therefore both voice commands as well a manual use of the pendant will control the bed. This way the caregiver can still manually control the bed when there is a disruption of the voice service whether it be internet is down, Wifi router is down, or bed controller is down.

Once the voice activated controller was connected to the bed and working, we configured some Alexa Routines that supplemented the voice commands that ship with the bed controller. For redundancy, we also provided a Google home mini which also controls the bed.

The functional engineering drawing on the next page shows the connections between the microcontroller and the relays, as well as the relays to the bed.

JohnD- Invacare semi-electric  
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Wires From Relays to Bed (RJ50)

- Blue -> S1 -> Head Up
- White -> S2 -> Head Down
- Orange -> S3 -> Feet Up
- Green -> S4 -> Feet Down
- Red -> VDD Tied to all Red wires on the relay

An RJ50 Female connector is provided in the cover of the bed controller for the 1115288 (4) function pendant can be plugged in for manual use when the voice control is not possible

## Resources

[Amazon Echo](#)

[Alexa Support](#) (Contact Support via the Amazon Alexa app - can have them call your number)

[Google Home getting started](#)

[Google Home Help Forum](#)

[Google Home Support](#) Phone number for Google Home hardware support = 855-971-9121 (24/7 days a week)

[Logitech Harmony Knowledge Base](#)

[Logitech Harmony Support](#) Phone # for Support = 866-601-5644 (M-F 8am to 6pm PST)

[Lifx](#)

[Wemo Support](#) Phone number for Support = 1-844-745-wemo (9366)