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GOAL STATEMENT:

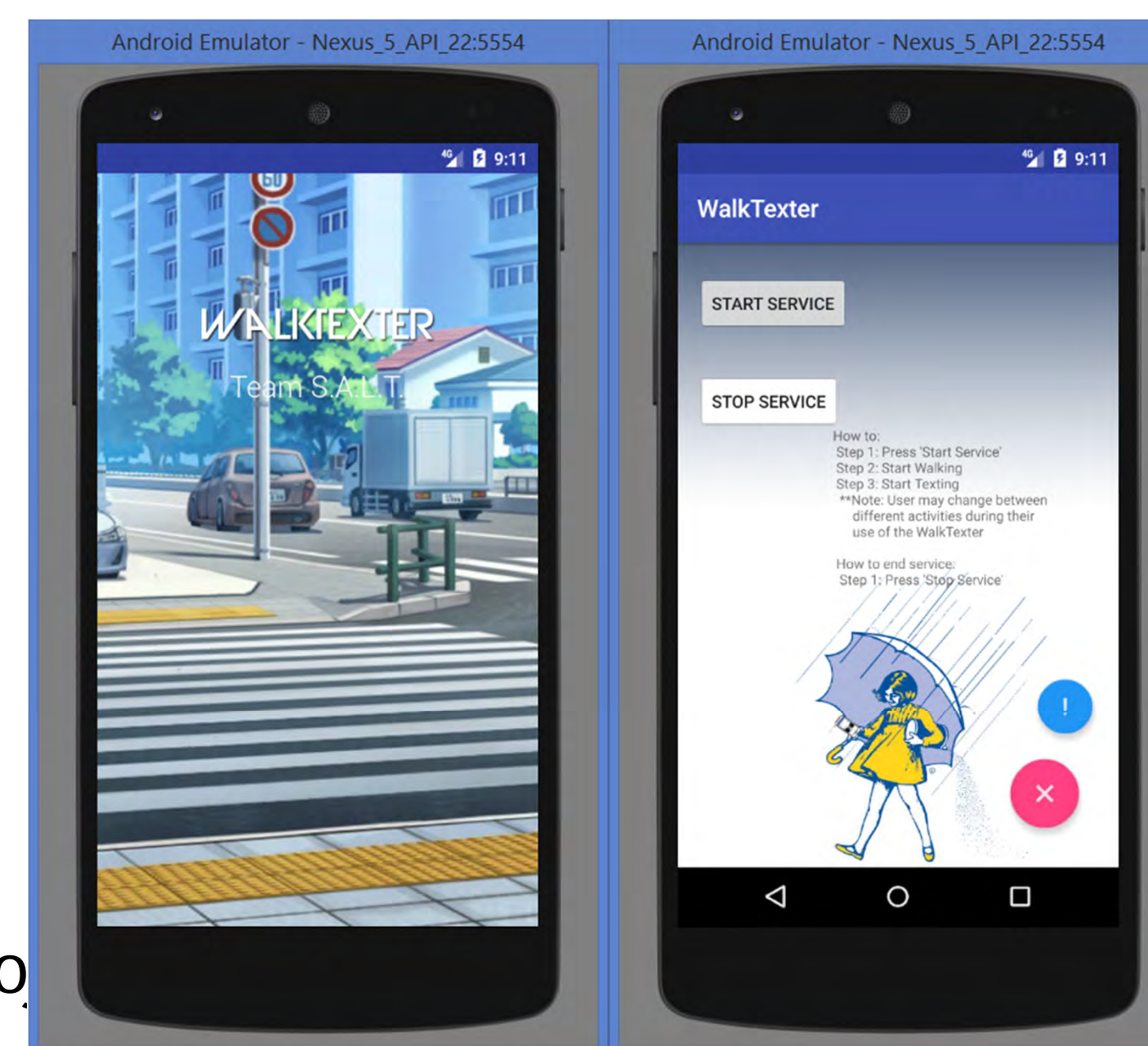
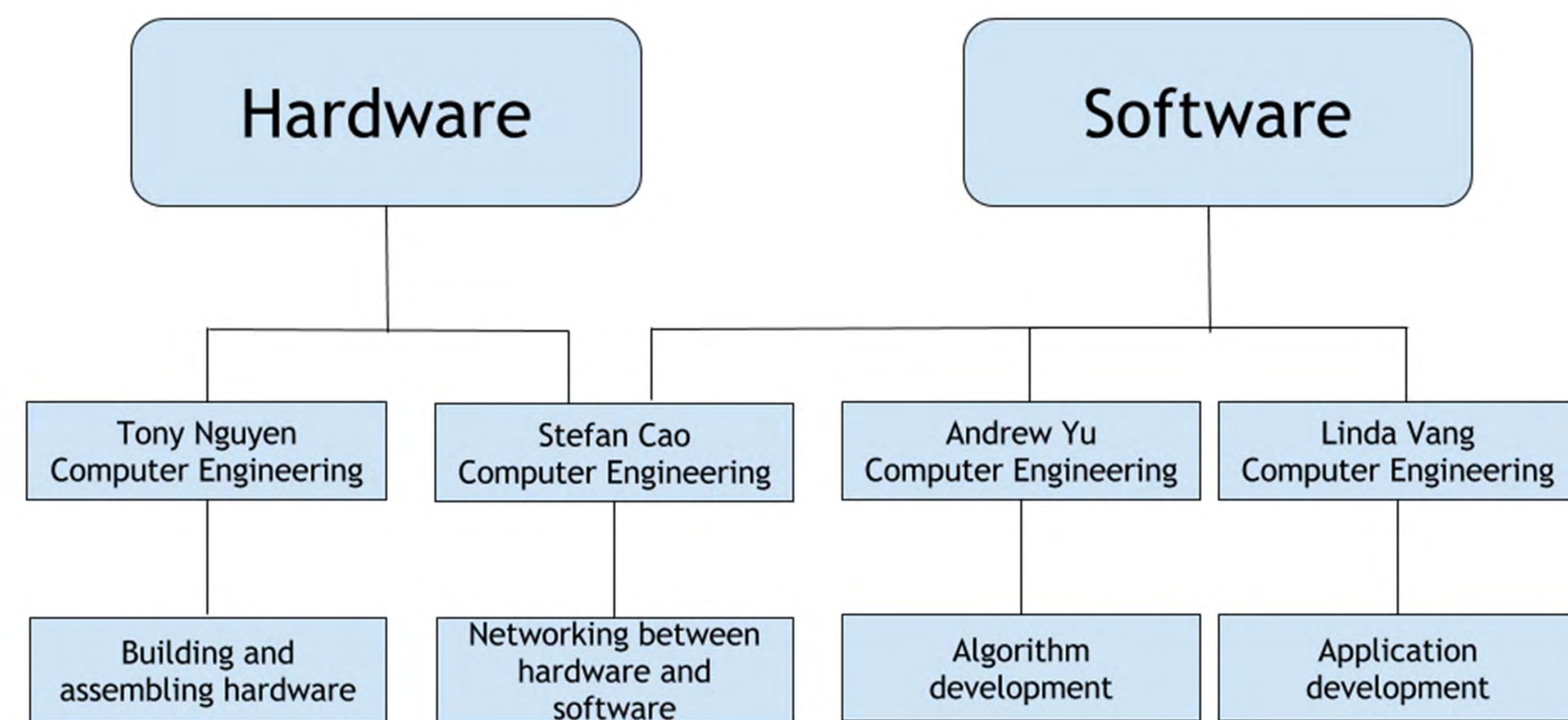
To ensure the safety of mobile device users and reduce pedestrian injuries with a portable device and a complementary mobile application that detects and alerts users of possible collisions.

Through the development of the Walk Texter we hope to bring awareness to the dangers of the seemingly harmless and undisruptive act of texting and walking while additionally showcasing that such a commonplace activity does not have to be reduced to a bare minimum to achieve safety and that with the constant advancements of old and new technologies, we can enhance our everyday lives.

The Issue:	The Target Market:	What is it?	What it does:
There has been a significant increase of pedestrian injuries with researchers believing that injuries occurred with the involvement of electronic devices accounts for 10% of this rise. The situation has raised enough concerns that earlier last year New Jersey lawmakers' proposed a bill that bans the use of mobile devices while walking.	The Walk Texter is a device geared towards anyone with a mobile device, especially those who just can't seem to resist the temptation of texting while walking.	The Walk Texter is a portable device with a built-in camera linked to an application running on a user's mobile phone.	When an obstacle is detected and the probability of collision is below a safe range, the user is alerted of the potential danger with phone vibrations and a pop up window that will warn the user and ensure their safety.

Specifications

Product Name: Walk Texter
MCU: Raspberry Pi 3
Web Camera: Logitech C270
Ultrasonic Sensor: HC-SR04
Supports Android 6.0 or above



For more information please visit us at: <http://srproj.eecs.uci.edu/projects/project-60-walktexter>