

Mobile System for Stress Management of College Students

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Goal

Help students manage stress without interfering with their day-to-day lives, using a **mobile social chat app** and a **heart wrist sensor**.



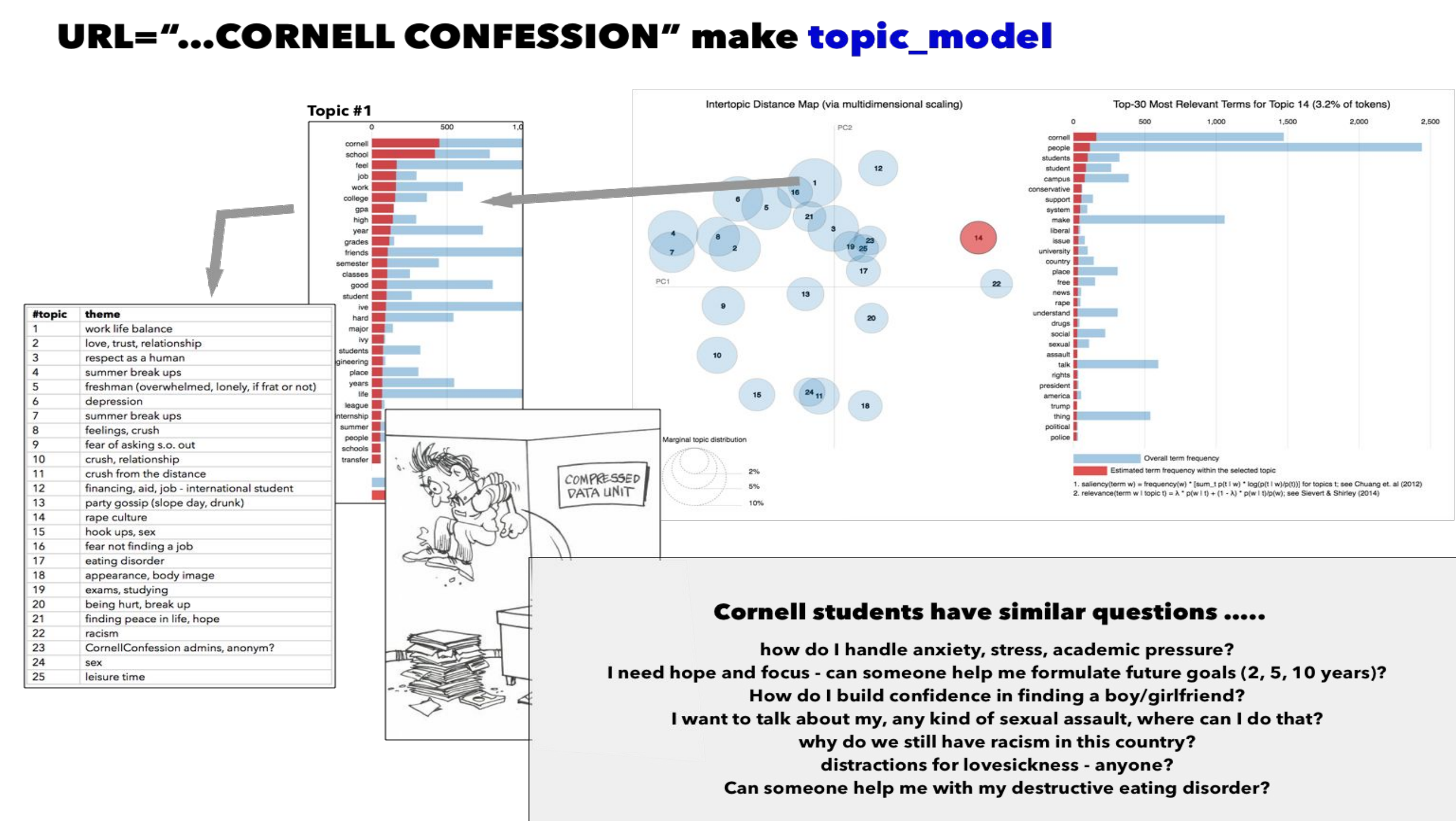
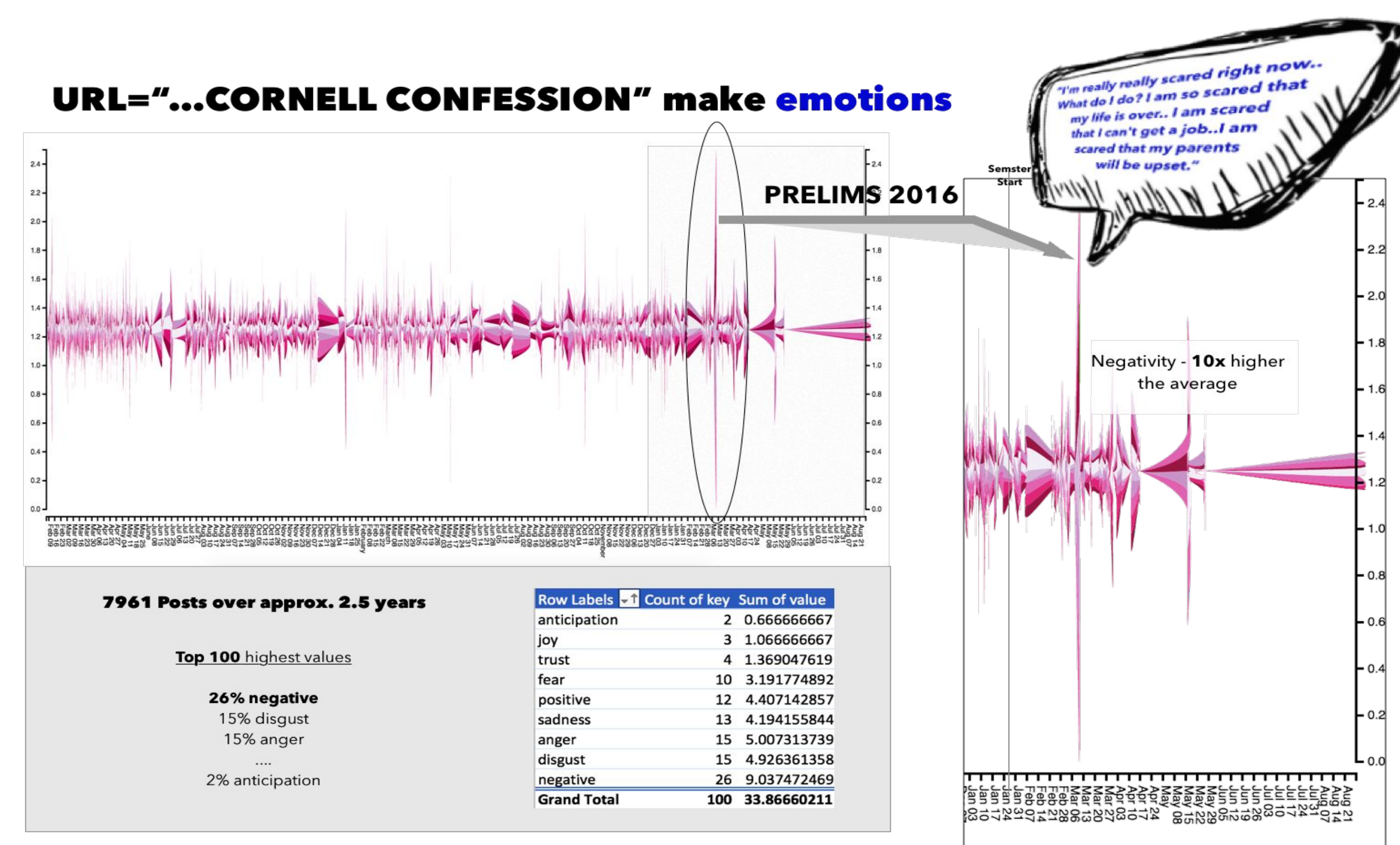
“Happy, relaxed Cornell students”

Approach

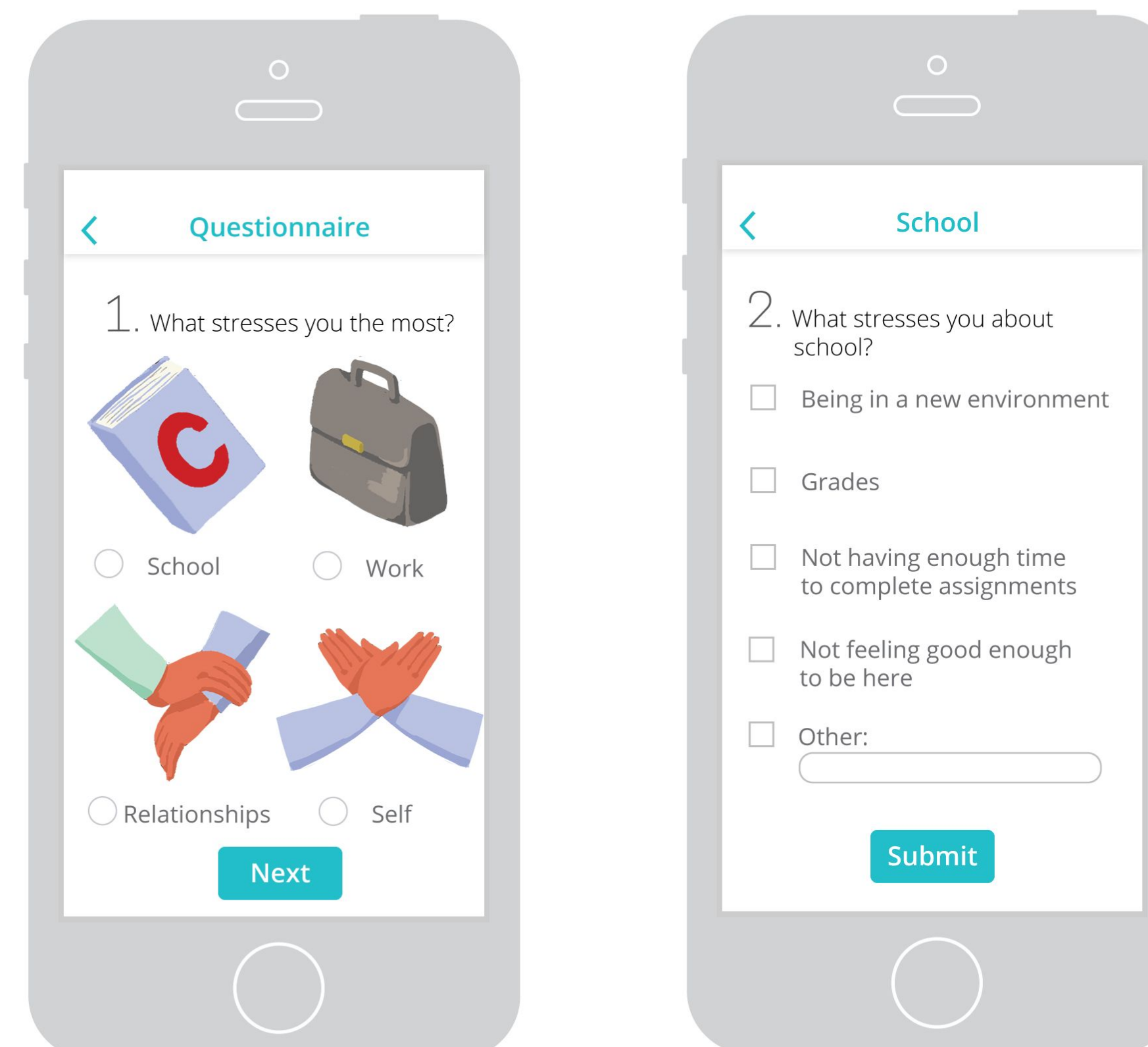
We developed a social chat app using React Native and Node.js that:

- Automatically **detects** if students are stressed through a wrist heart beat sensor and notifies students via push-notification
- Algorithmically **connects** students dealing with similar issues
- Provides anonymous peer chat groups and **supports** overall well-being.

Onboarding



By extracting topics from Facebook groups such as “Cornell Confession” we found a set of possible topics for our onboarding process and **self-assessment**. Upon the onboarding input from users we will match students with similar issues.



Font-End:
passing topic
tags to back-end

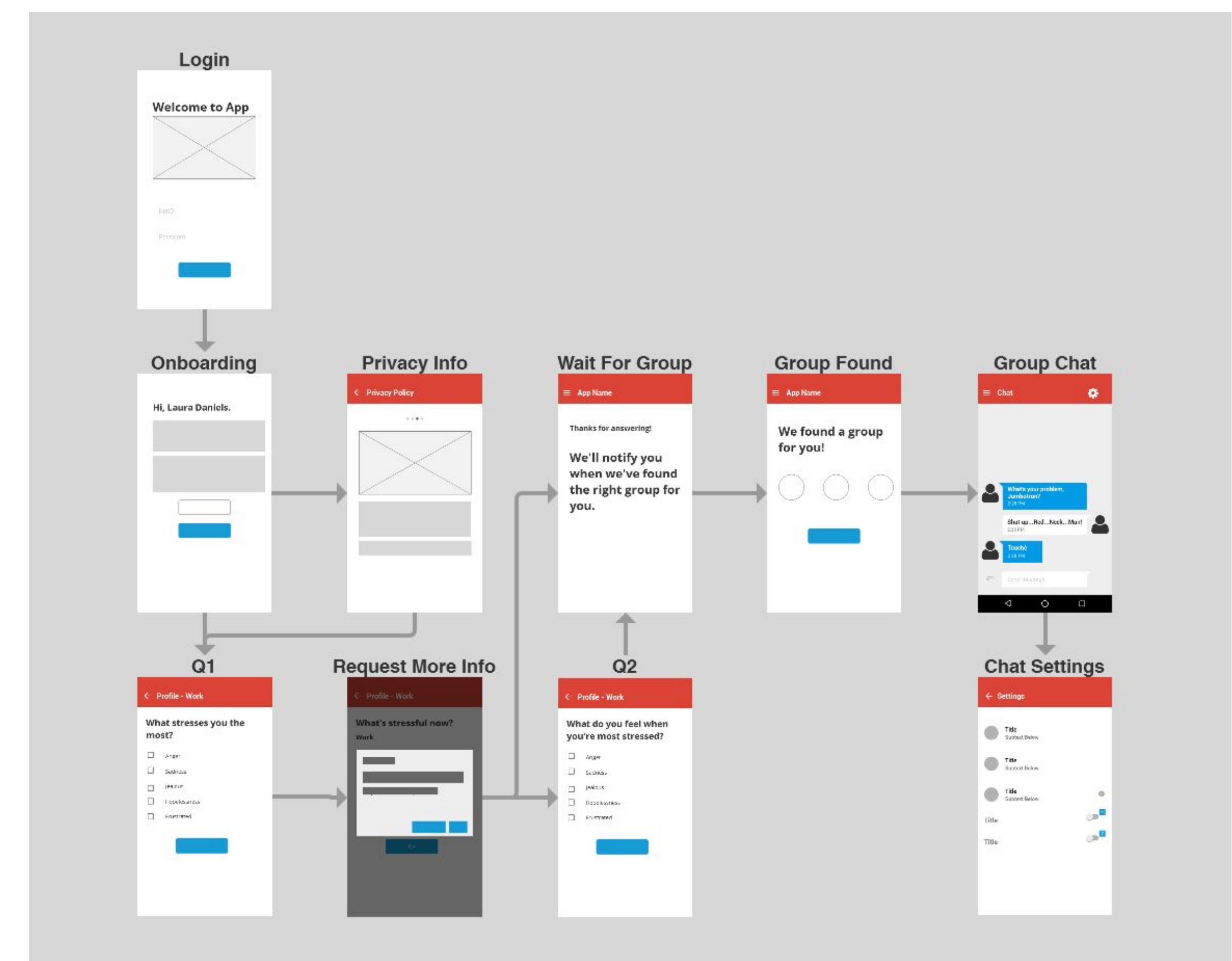
Back-end:
group matching
via kNN

Components

Back-end: provide core functionality of forwarding the incoming message to all the other members in the group. Utilizing Socket.io Node.js library to finish the message dispatching workflow. **Token-based** authentication features are added to enable the system to verify the authenticity of the request sender. **kNN-based** group matching algorithm is implemented to cluster users with similar experiences together. Backend code is deployed on Heroku, a cloud-based server, and connected with MongoLab, the database server that hosts the MongoDB instance.

Front-end: native mobile app written in **React-Native**. Visualizes and syncs up with back-end for login, onboarding and group chat functionality. Renders last 15 messages of chat history.

App Flow & Functionality



Future Work

- content analysis of chat messages (Python) to match students more efficiently
- push notification (React Native)