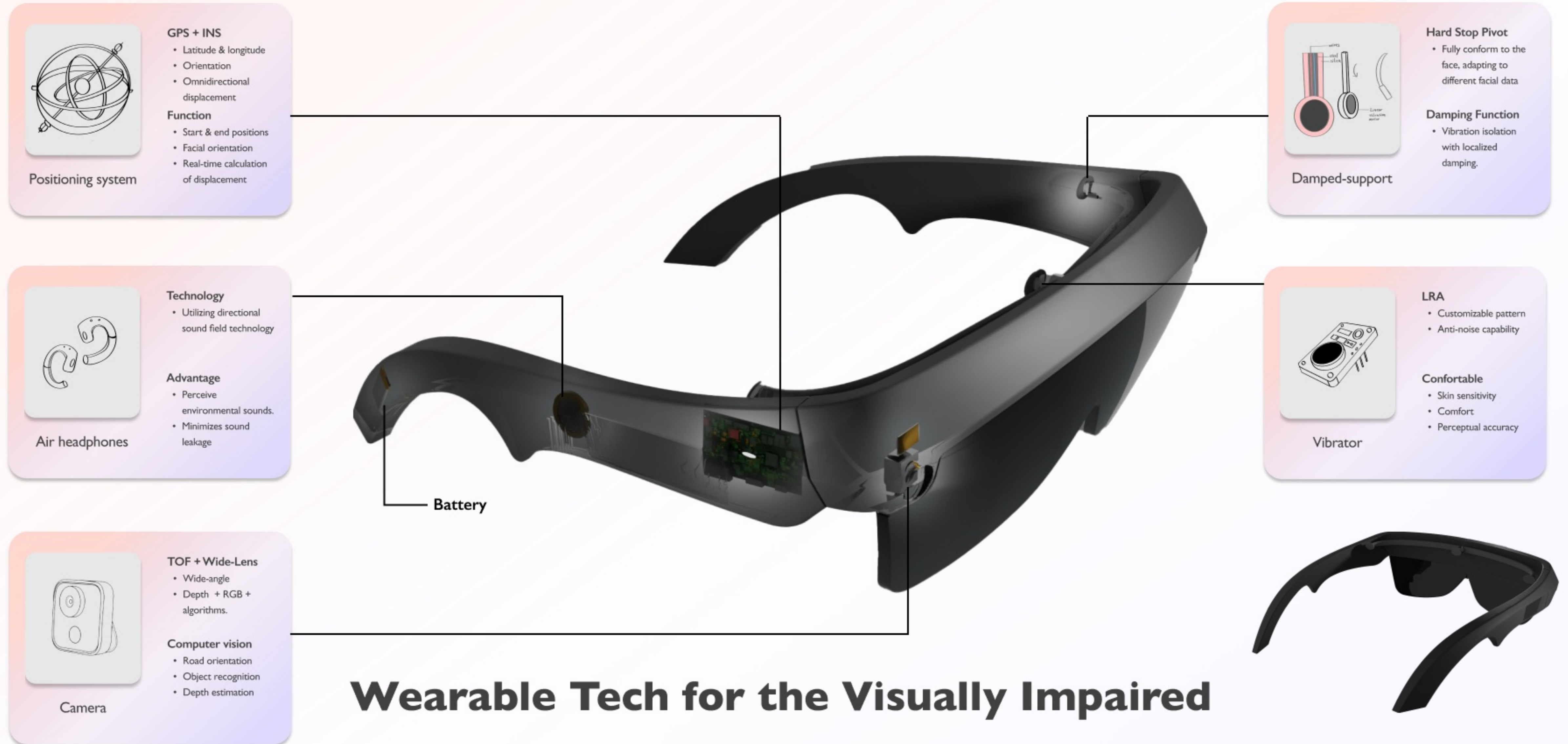
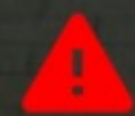


“Iris”



“ Afraid

I have difficulty walking straight and worry about bumping into walls or stepping onto the road. I am afraid to go out alone.”



Walking Straight
Is Not Easy

17.3 Million
Visually Disadvantages
In China

70 % Blind People
Have Needs to go out

What dilemmas do

Blind People

face everyday on the road

“ Dizzy

I can only walk close to the edges, and whenever I encounter cars parked anywhere in the community, I often end up feeling dizzy and disoriented.

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Obstacles are
Everywhere








Hard to Know
Where and When
to Turn

Interview & User Research

Research



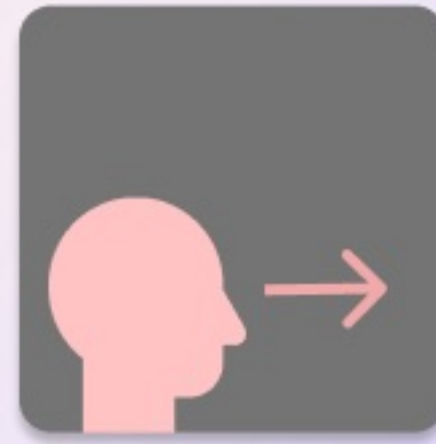
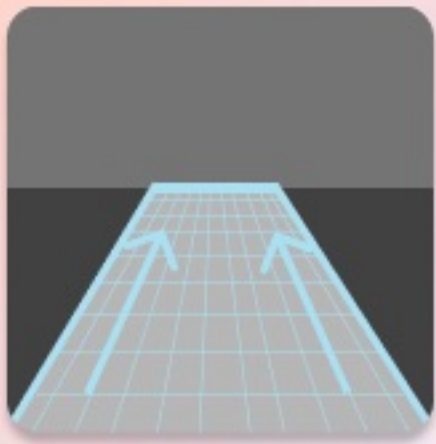
User Journey Map

Going downstairs /elevator.	Walking in a straight line.	Obstacle avoidance.	Leaving the entrance gate	From the residential area to the subway entrance.
1.Exploring with cane movement from left to right.	1.Finding a small path in the grassland 2.Searching for the boundaries of the path	1.Navigating around parked cars on the roadside.	1.Standing directly in front of the facial recognition device. 2.Crossing over the gate.	1.Using a mental map to track the number of steps and locate landmarks.
				
1.Navigating with a cane can be challenging.	1.Getting disoriented while navigating around flower beds. 2.Having difficulty finding the boundaries of the road.	1.Getting disoriented while navigating around cars, making it difficult to maintain the correct direction.	1.Finding it difficult to walk diagonally and needing to walk straight before making a turn	1.The road conditions are constantly changing, making it more dangerous.

Scenario & Function

Direction Guidance

Camera Vibrator Magnetometer



- Vibration
- Correcting left/right deviation
 - Front direction

- Voice
- No voice feedback.

Obstacle Warning

Camera Vibrator Headphone

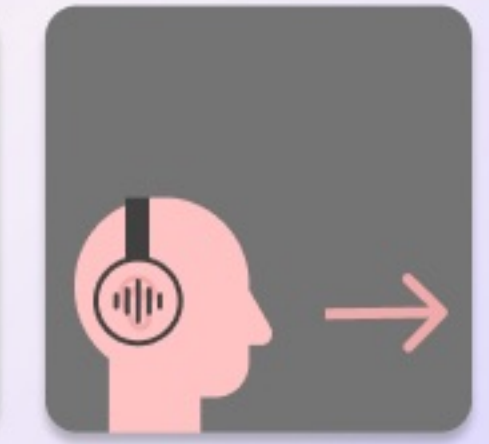
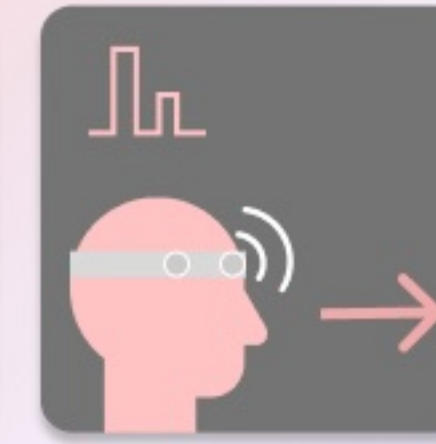
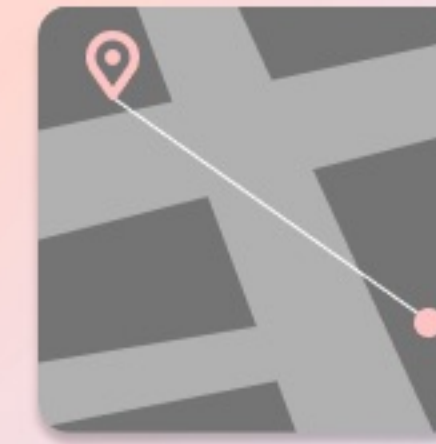


- Vibration
- Obstacles ahead/left/right
 - Directional information

- Voice
- Audio prompts when trapped by obstacles.

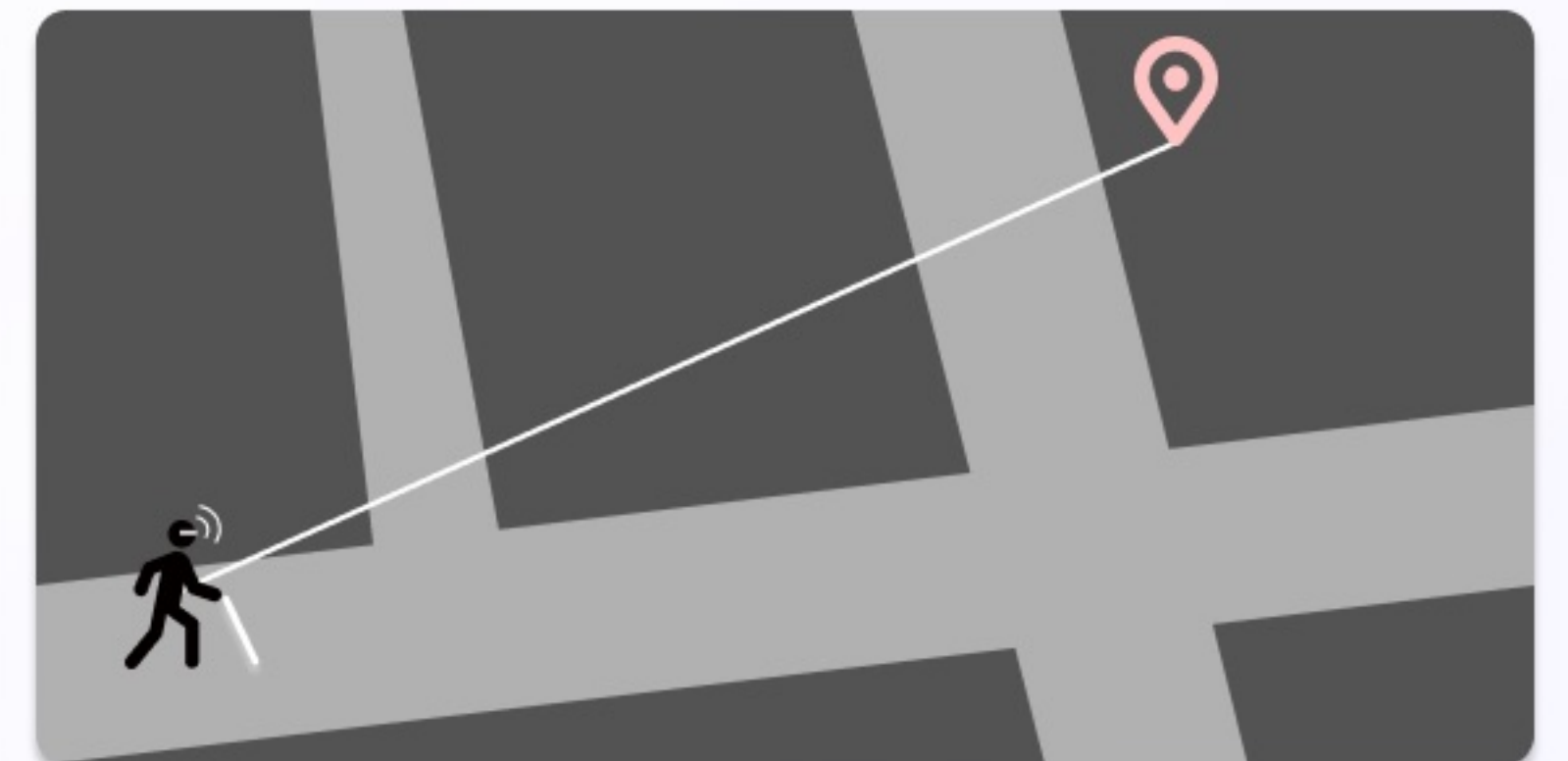
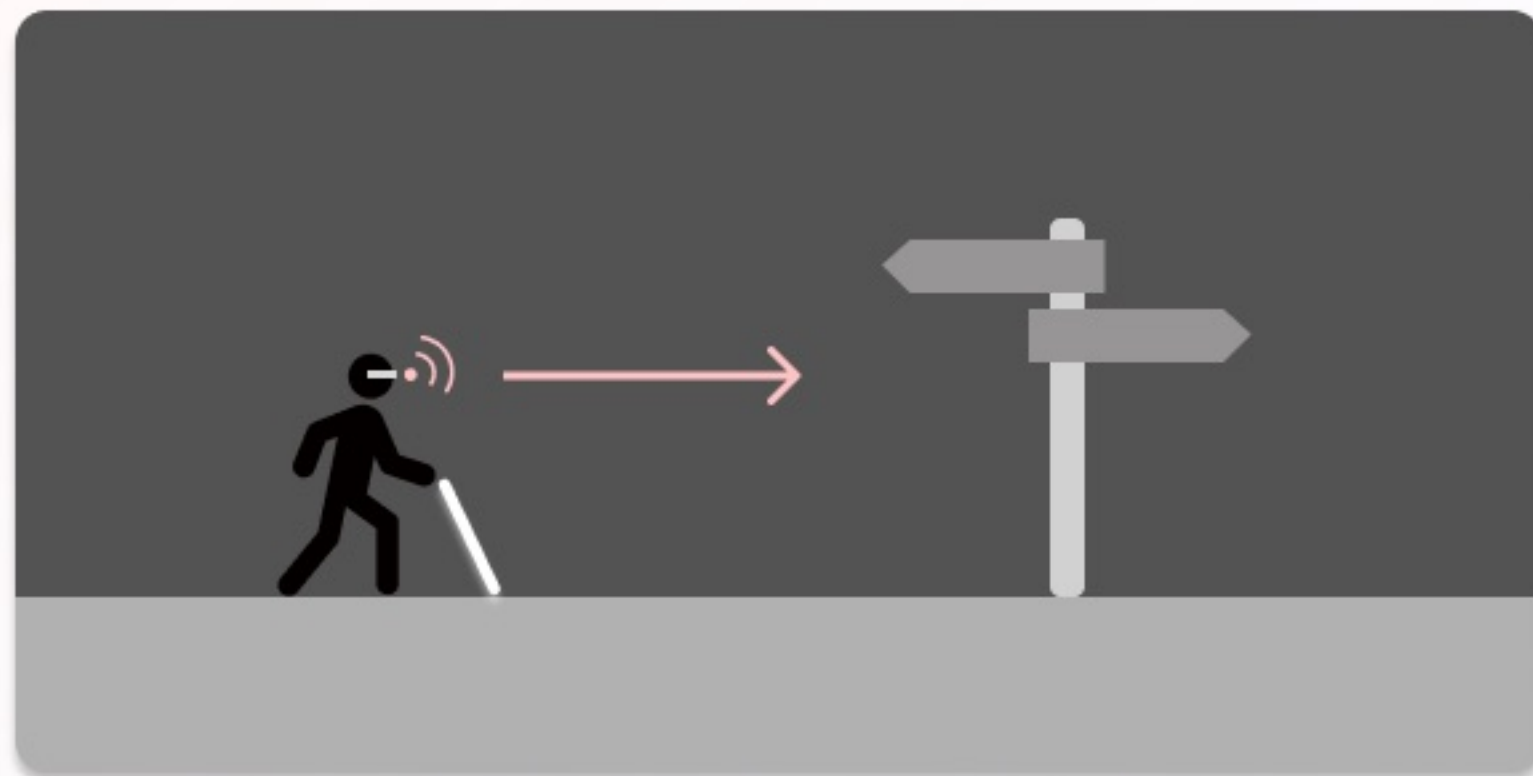
Destination Location

GPS Vibrator Headphone



- Vibration
- Triggering at regular intervals.
 - Triggering after making a turn.

- Voice
- Clock-face method indicating direction.

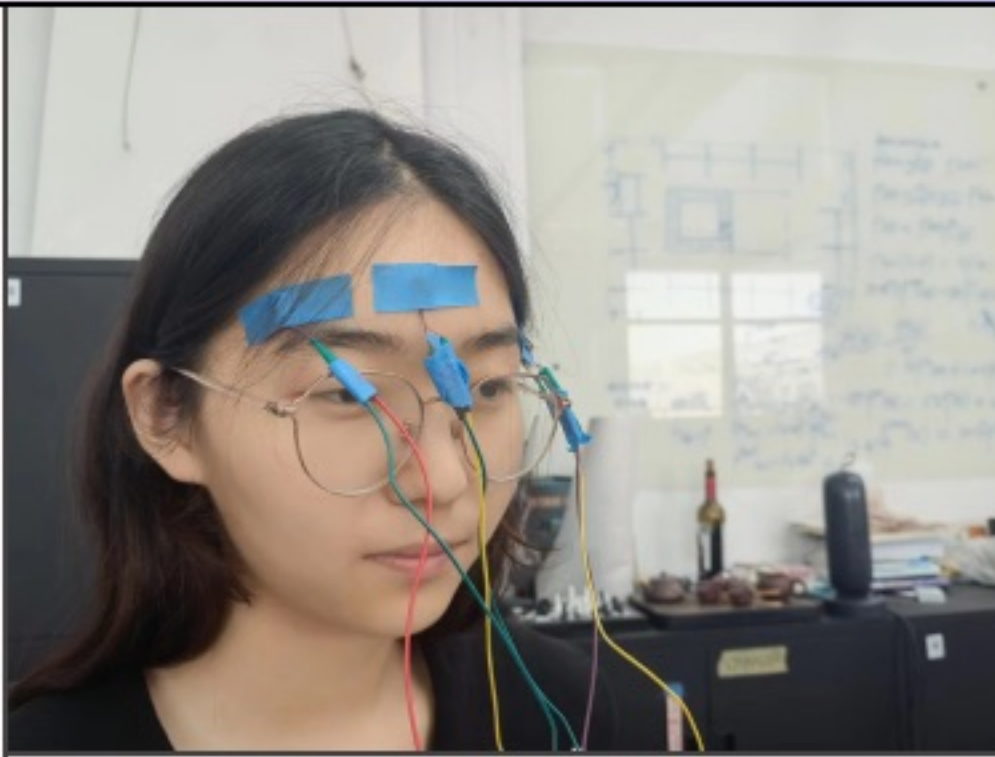


Modeling & Prototyping

Electronic Component Testing

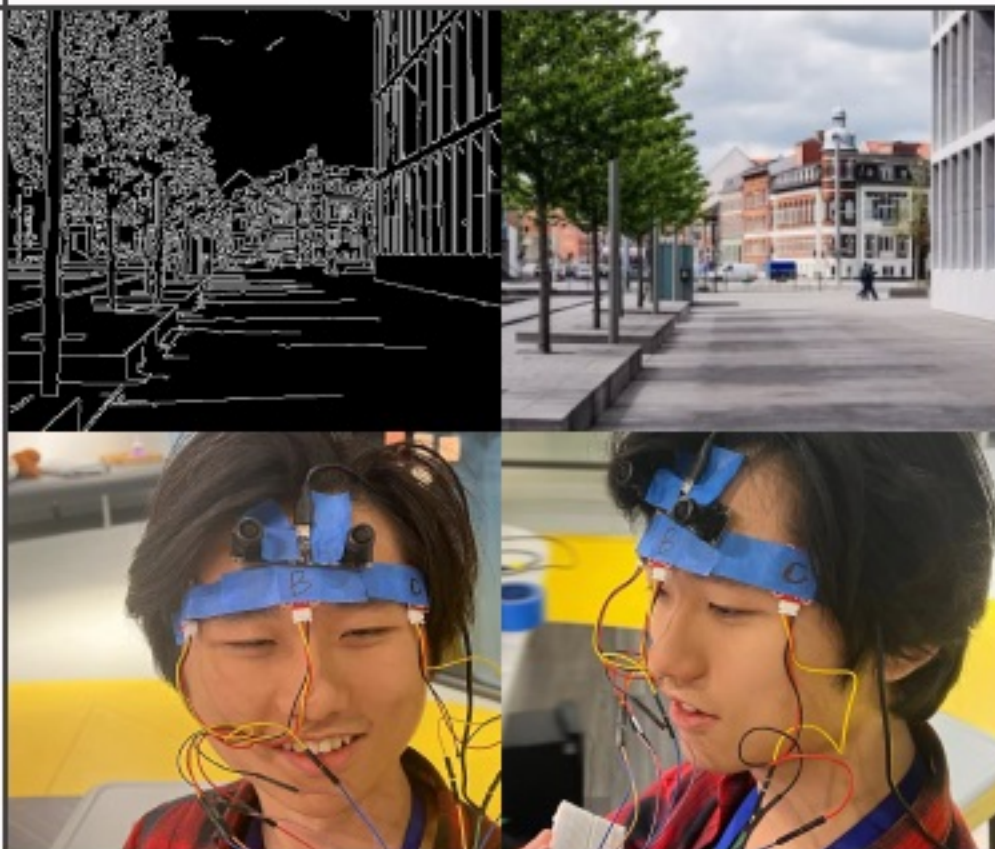
#TEST 1

Through testing, we have found that using **three vibration components** is sufficient to indicate direction.



#TEST 2

In the second testing, we validated the feasibility of acquiring road data using a camera. In this test, we successfully implemented **road edge detection** functionality.



Rough Form Testing

#TEST 3

In this test, we calculated the total weight of the product and created a clay model of equal mass. Our model would not slide forward even when the user looked downward.



Walking Testing



Phase 1:
only white cane



Phase 2:
use vibration
and white cane



Phase 3:
camera, vibration
and white cane