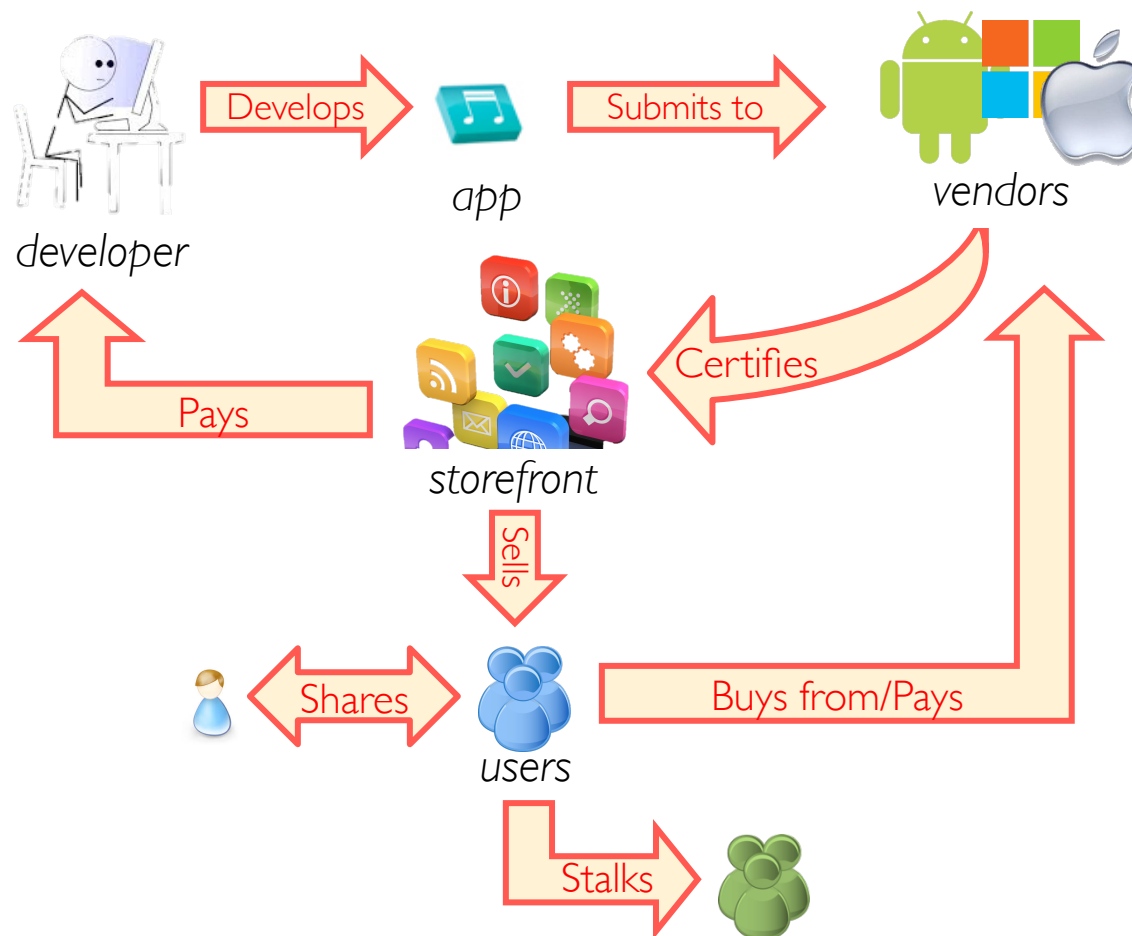


# App Development

RJ5 (Internet Vigilantism) **Sunday 9/28**

Ethical Analysis #1 draft due **Wednesday 10/1**





# Bookkeeping

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- ◆ Reading Journals:
  - ◆ Read *each* article
  - ◆ Bring insights from articles together in discussion
  - ◆ Try to synthesize!
- ◆ Reminder: October 1<sup>st</sup> writing workshop
  - ◆ Workshop guidelines posted (more guidance)
- ◆ Updated assignment posted
- ◆ Come to office hours with questions / drafts / ideas!



# More about Analysis #1

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- ◆ Updated assignment posted
  - ◆ More links
  - ◆ More specifics about topic

You are writing about *whether and how to regulate the automated car industry*. The primary question is: Should the automated car industry in the United States be regulated – now, as well as in future? How: by whom, and using what laws, regulations, policies, or standards? Why?

- ◆ **Get the update!**



# Ethics & Responsibility

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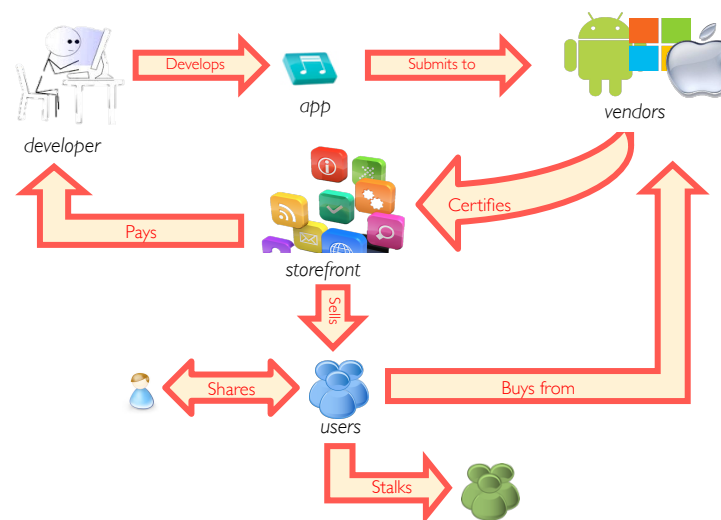
- ◆ **Everyone** has some responsibility for the *consequences of their actions*.
- ◆ Some (usually implicit) counter-arguments:
  - ◆ “I didn’t mean for it to do that / didn’t intend that use”
  - ◆ “It wouldn’t have worked if people weren’t \_\_\_\_\_ ...”
    - ◆ Stupid / careless / inattentive / indifferent / ...
  - ◆ “*They* had to make a decision, too”
    - ◆ “I may have offered the bribe, but...”
    - ◆ “She put her info on Facebook and Foursquare...”
- ◆ None of these are ethically (or legally) defensible.

# Ethics & Responsibility

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## Everyone?

- ◆ The person/people/entity who *did* the damage?
- ◆ The person/people/entity who *enabled* the damage?
- ◆ The person/people/entity who *allowed* the damage?
- ◆ The person/people/entities *who are* damaged?
  - ◆ Very rarely.
- ◆ These parties do not all bear the **same** responsibility.





# Relevant Questions

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- ◆ Who are members of these groups?
- ◆ Could they have been reasonably expected to foresee that damage?
  - ◆ Given reasonable (but probably imperfect) people
  - ◆ Think about a variety of situations.
  - ◆ For us: would they have to be above average tech savvy?
- ◆ Would the actions that could avoid damage *themselves* violate ethics or infringe on rights?
  - ◆ Just don't use Facebook! (Well, only some people.)



# Due Diligence & SOCs

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- ◆ So what responsibilities do we have? Perfection?
- ◆ Due Diligence:
  - ◆ "...refers to the care a reasonable person should take before entering into ... a transaction with another party." [1]
  - ◆ "Reasonable steps taken by a person in order to satisfy a legal requirement, especially in buying or selling something." [2]
- ◆ Standard of Care:
  - ◆ "Such reasonable caution as a prudent [person] would have exercised under such circumstances." [3]

[2] Google web definitions

[1] [www.investopedia.com/terms/d/](http://www.investopedia.com/terms/d/)

[3] [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Standard\\_of\\_care](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Standard_of_care)



# Discussion Questions

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For ALL of the topics covered in the readings

- ◆ Was damage done (or could it be?) What damage?
- ◆ Who's responsible?
  - ◆ Girls Around Me
  - ◆ In-App Purchases
  - ◆ Microsoft's marketplace
  - ◆ Developer negligence
- ◆ Who *did/does* the damage?
- ◆ Who *enables* the damage?
- ◆ Who *allows* the damage?
- ◆ Who *is* damaged?
- ◆ Could they have reasonably foreseen the damage?
- ◆ Could they avoid it? Could they be required to? Ethically?
- ◆ Who's responsible for fixing it? For preventing it? How?