

> Managing Information < Personal Information Environments based on iROS

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Agenda

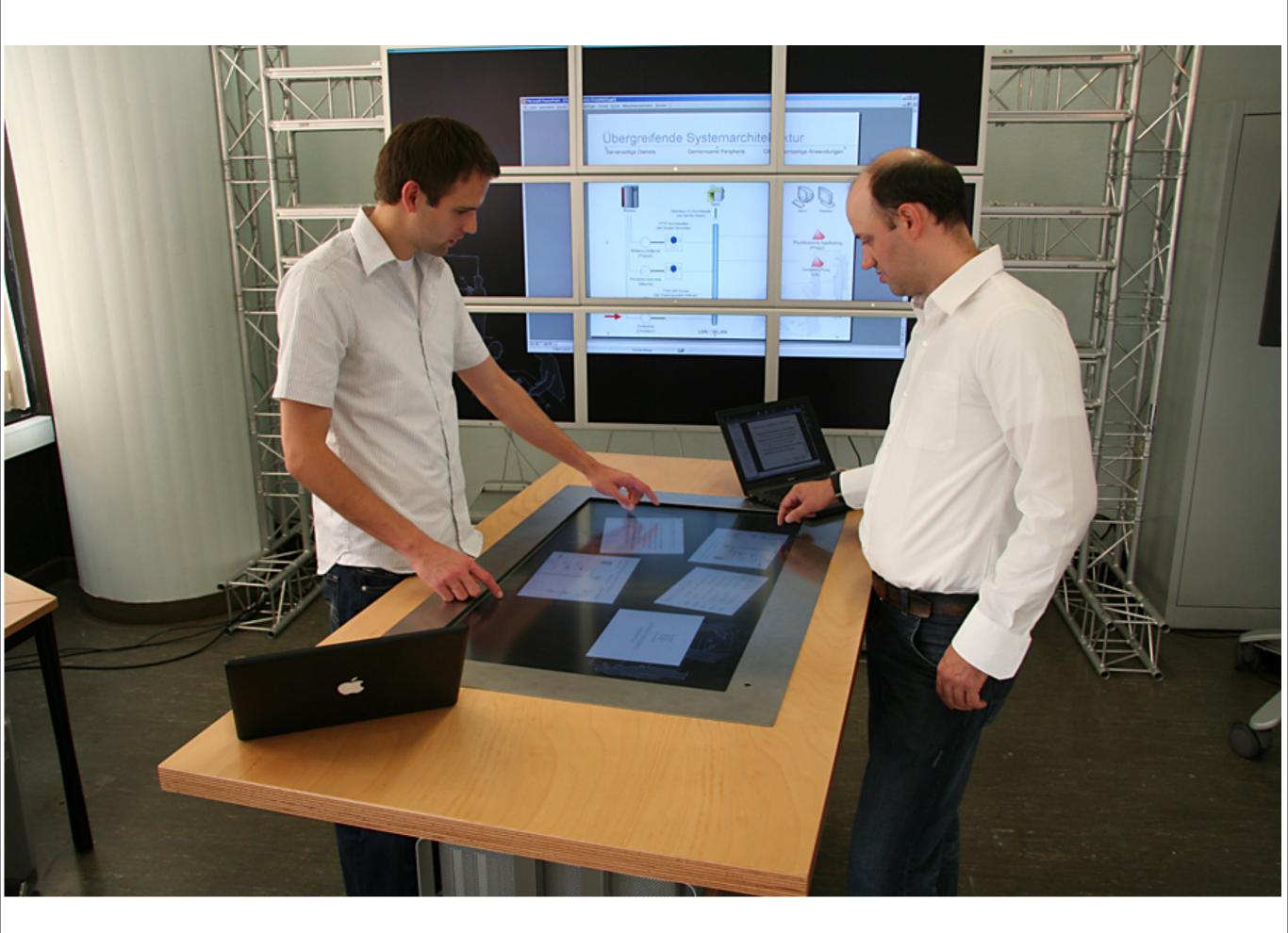
- Personal Information Environments
- Security
- Intelligent Environments





Digital Life

- wide variety of computational devices
- spreading knowledge and activities
- gap between practice and paradigm

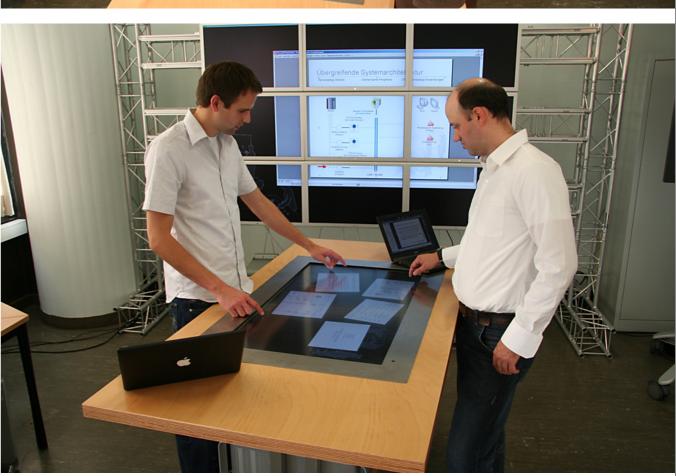






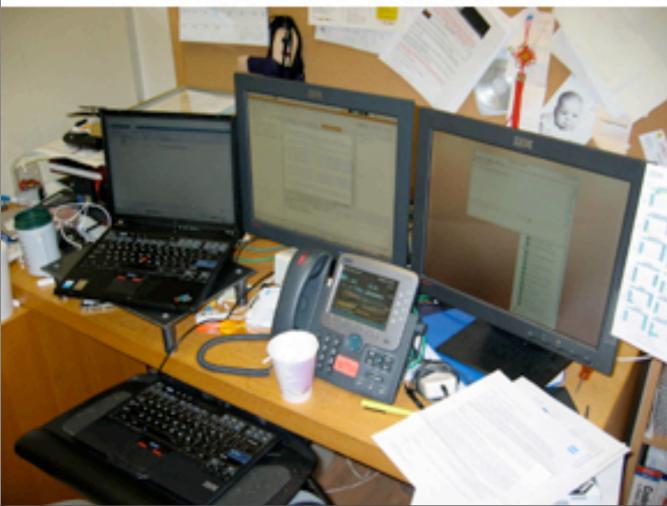


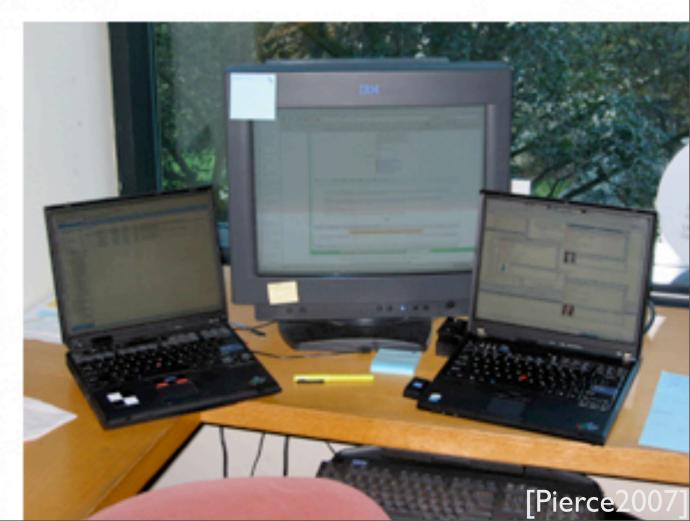
















Spreading Knowledge and Activities

- laptops
- desktop PCs
- cellphones
- PDAs
- wall-size displays

- electronicwhiteboards
- tabletops
- wearables
- etc.





Ubicomp: status quo

- Multiple devices do not sync well
- Data is often transferred "by hand"
- Remote file access is difficult





Closing the Gap

- offers challenges and opportunities
- access to personal data and information
- from personal computers
 to personal information environments

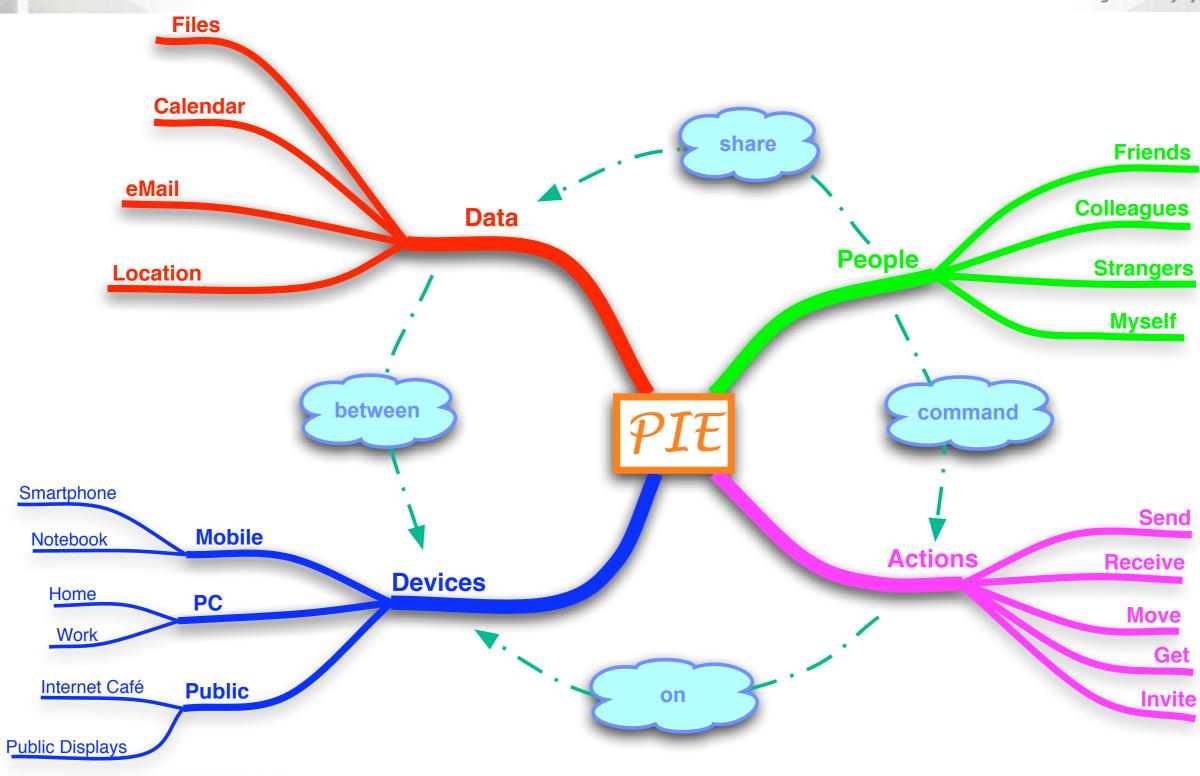
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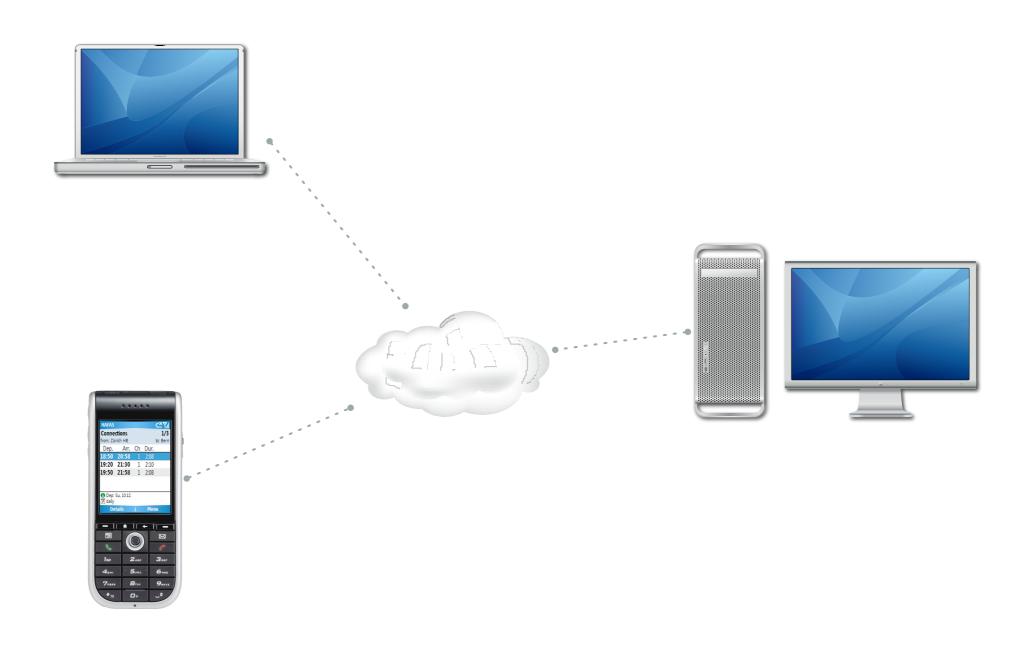






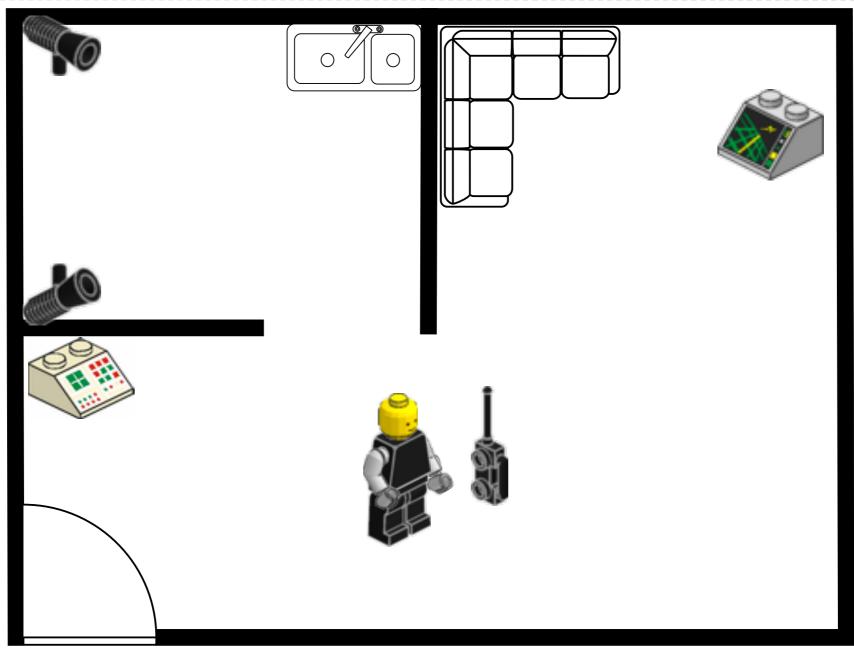


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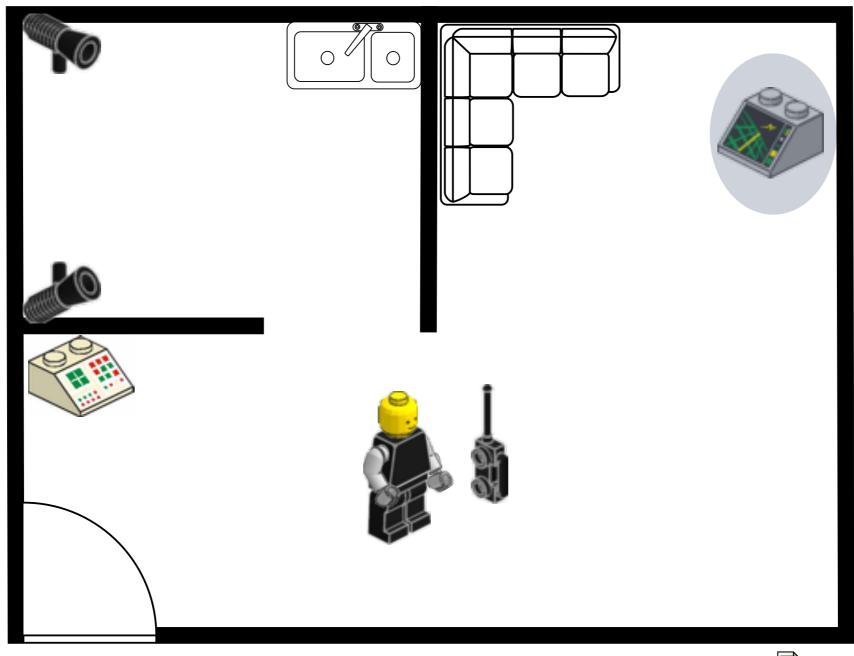




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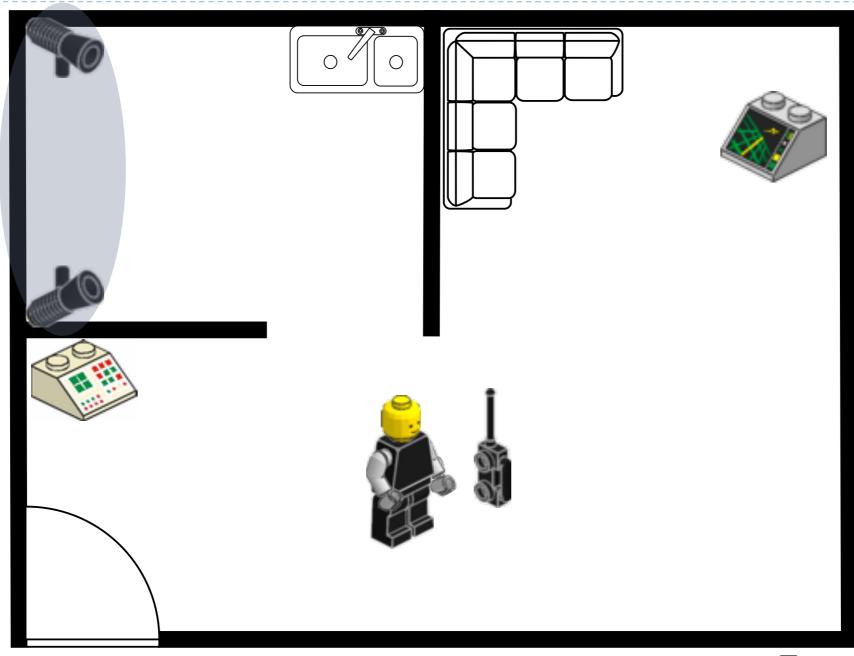
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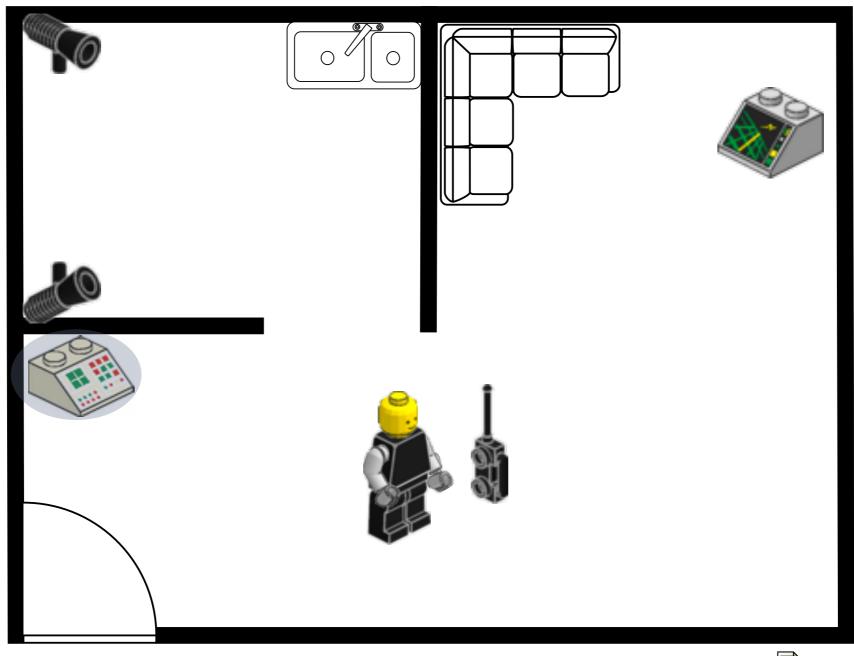








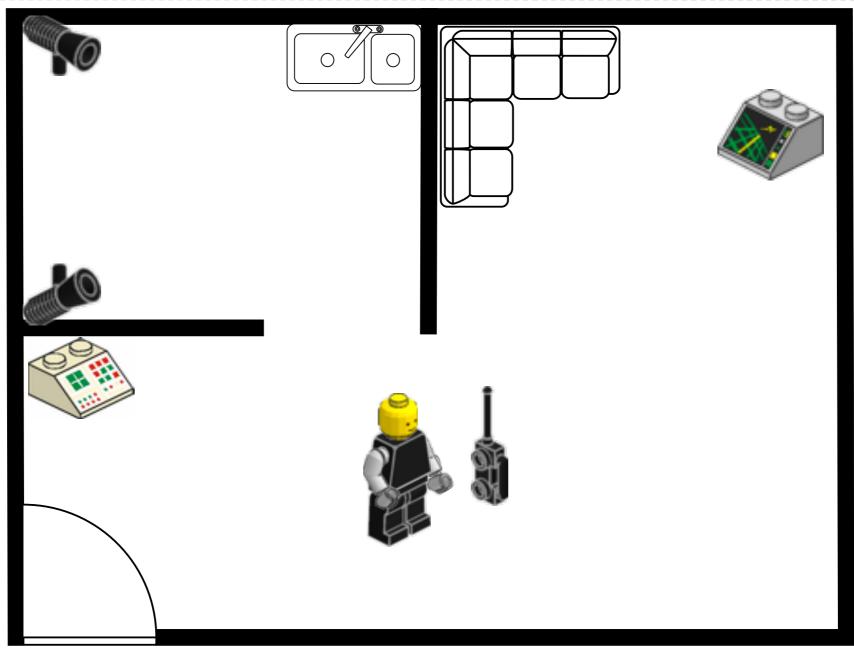


















Key Characteristics

- Not every device is suitable for every kind of data
- Data should be handled different on different devices
- Devices are not always accessible





What we need

- A platform for exchanging information
- Context aware devices:

"What kind of data could/should be displayed?"





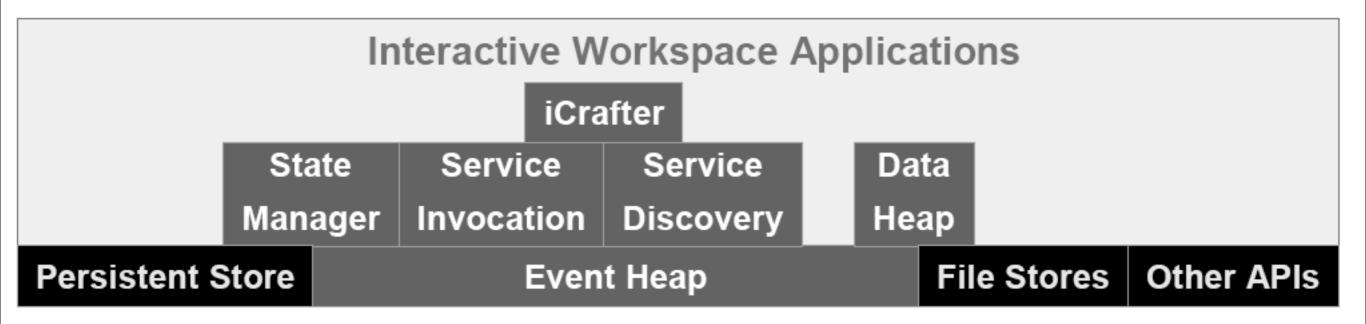
What we have got

- cellphones, laptops, PCs, powerwalls, etc.
- A network connecting them
- iROS (i.e. EventHeap)





iROS (reprise)



Key:

Stanford iROS

Application Developers

Other Infrastructure

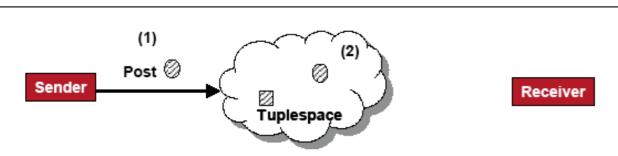


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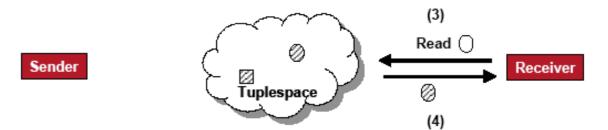




Tuple Spaces

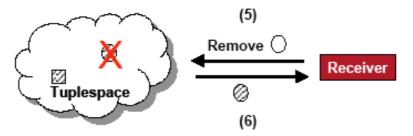


(a) Sender places a 'circle type' tuple (1); Tuple becomes available in the tuplespace (2);



(b) Receiver submits read request for 'circle type' tuple (3); Tuplespace returns copy of 'circle type' tuple submitted in step 1 (4)





(c) Receiver submits take request for 'circle type' tuple (5); Tuplespace returns copy of 'circle type' tuple submitted in step 1 and removes copy in tuplespace (6)







EventHeap

Tuple Spaces

- + Flexible Typing
- + Expiration
- + FIFO, At Most Once
- + Subscription
- + [...]
- = EventHeap





Content Aware Devices

- not everything could/should be displayed
- classification of data
- information filtering





Device Classes

Devices differ in

- Screen size
- Memory
- Portability





Trust Classes

- Trusted Environment? (yes/no)
- Trusted Device? (yes/no)





Enhancing the iROS (Step 1)

- Additional meta-information to
 - Events and
 - Fields
- Devices
 - know about themselfes and
 - decide wether to display or not





Enhancing the iROS (Step 2)

- No trust in devices or environment
- Add the ability to (selectively) encrypt events
- devices and users authenticate against a trusted instance





XML Encryption

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<?xml version='1.0'?>
  <PaymentInfo xmlns='http://example.org/paymentv2'>
    <Name>John Smith</Name>
    <CreditCard Limit='5,000' Currency='USD'>
      <Number>4019 2445 0277 5567</Number>
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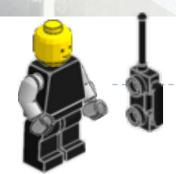
More on XML Encryption

+ more



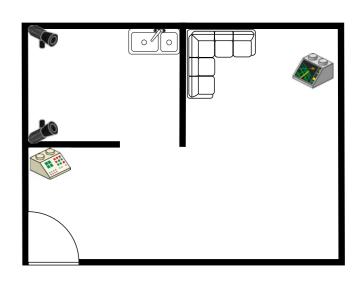






Goal: Intelligent Home

- A Personal Information Environment
- Managing files, information and actions
- Delivering seamless interaction
- Securing information and actions







What to do?

- Build a Framework for PIE
- Based on iROS
- make iROS native XML speaking?
- implement PKI infrastructure for untrusted environments



Challenges

- Web 2.0: centralization vs. distribution
- Complexity?
- Usability?





Opportunities

- A platform for secure interaction
- a step towards ubiquitous computing
- Everything, anytime, anywhere





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