achieving more personal personal information management

why?

INFOSCRAPS: A STUDY OF EVERYDAY PERSONAL INFORMATION PRACTICE

WE CONDUCTED A 32 PARTICIPANT INTERVIEW/ARTIFACT STUDY IN JUNE ’07, STUDYING COMMON INFORMATION PRACTICES THAT REVEALED RECURRING PROBLEMS WITH TODAY’S PIM TOOLS:

1. People can’t find what they never saved (capture too difficult)
2. People can’t find what is somewhere else (fragmentation)
3. People keep track of a large number of personal data types which no application will be able to anticipate in advance
4. People rely on context clues throughout the physical world which are unavailable in PIM today


activity +
context capture

KEEPS TRACK OF YOUR LIFE USING YOUR OWN DEVICES, TO GIVE YOU PERSONALIZATION WITHOUT SACRIFICING YOUR PRIVACY

jourknow

STORE IT QUICKLY, BUT GET IT BACK THE WAY YOU WANT IT: A NOTEBOOK TOOL FOR SEMI-STRUCTURED “MESSY” INFORMATION

KEEP RELATED STUFF TOGETHER - jourknow lets you mix heterogenous structured and unstructured data items, to let you keep coherent chunks of information together in one place instead of splitting things up by type

What did I write when I was ....? lets you find things by context -- e.g., when, where you wrote them, so you can find notes without even remembering what you wrote in them

Be unique: customize your data types - jourknow uses simple structured input languages to let you express any type of structured data you want to create, so you can use it to categorically organize + collect information about your favorite insects or fantasy football lineup, for example.

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Put it where you will look for it later - automatically syncs common data items into your PIM apps so that, for example, events end up in your calendars, URLs in your browser bookmarks, and contact info in your address book

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