

Project Goals

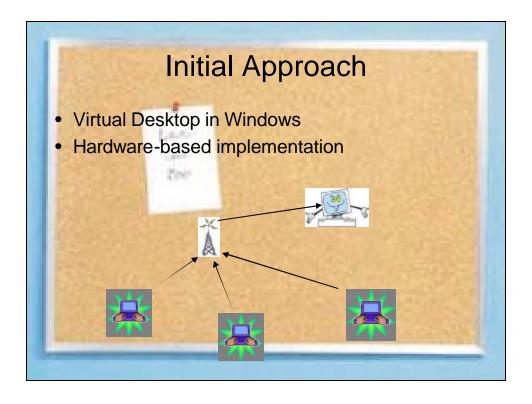
- Post notes for people at a particular server through an AP
- Notes should remain at a server until recipient uses the AP to contact the server
- Notes are sent when contact is near an AP and removed from the server

Similar Technologies

- Email (Outlook, POP/SMTP programs)
 - Inbox space constraints
- Online forums
 - Posts can get "buried"
 - Topic oriented

Similar Technologies

- Physical BBS
 - Waste of space
 - Not aesthetically pleasing
- Remote Terminal Access
 - Manual log in and search
 - Loss of connection due to low signal strength
- Text Messaging
 - Can't be sent asap due to lack of signal
 - Message may not be received



Current Approach

- Server
 - Allow user to find list of files in directory
 - Send messages over as text files to clients
- Client
 - List files in client's directory
 - Retrieve messages from server as files
- Requires command line interface

Challenges

- Initial approach was a misdirected approach to solution
- Loss of time due to misdirection
- Lack of knowledge using Java
- J9 compiler on PDA

Future Plans

- Develop GUI
- Refine server/client software
 - Automation
 - Increased flexibility
- Implement security methods
 - Protect mailboxes
 - Encrypt messages being sent

What we Learned

- Set more reasonable goals; focus on one solution
- Network programming in Java
- Client/Server architecture