MAPS RECAP
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Summary

Over the last two months Stefan and I got a working demo together for our presentation to the Clever group. Our demo script was a shopping demo, complete with pictures and sounds that you can cycle forward and backward through. We also mapped the buttons on the PDA to restart the script at the beginning and a panic button. Right now the scripts are not composed in any database but we plan to set one up. We also plan to add more scripts including another shopping script, a mobility for all script which involves a bus route, and some others. Anja has a person whom we want to create scripts for and actually test on them.

I also finished the website last month but will be updating it frequently, adding more presentations as well as password protecting some stuff. I am also going to add more of our design progress as it continues.

The next step is to work on the design of the caretaker user interface which we will be initially designing with Visual Basic. Eventually we plan to use Squeak as our platform. This will allow our system to interact with the Pitaboard project.

Our folders needed reorganization on the computer where we work, and I reorganized them so they would be more usable.

Details

When Stefan and I were working on the demo using Embedded Visual Basic, I did most of the typing/coding with Stefan's assistance. We have gotten to the point where I can do stuff and work on things on my own.

I took all of the new color pictures for our shopping trip demo and I also recorded all of the sound bites. I wrote the script for the shopping and talked to Anja about better wording for them.

For the website, I read through a number of pdf articles that we have and wrote up a summary of each that is on the main page of those research papers.