

User Group
Family - (Dispersed Family)

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SHAREABLE
CALNDAR



Core Idea

Basic motivation.

This concept was developed with a view to help **visualize the changing environment** and to relate to the differing timeline at both ends of a **dispersed family**.

User Study

Some first hand info from user study

People **stay together in spirit**..like celebrating events together.

While staying away reminders about events,(rahu-kala* and mahurtams**) ,which they have been following back home are not available.

Some families have two clocks at home to **relate to the each others time scale**.

The older generation find it **tough to adopt to new technologies** (email, chat, attachments etc) so, they prefer calling long distance calls (in spite of high rates).

* inauspicious time ** auspicious time

User Study

Insights from user study

The family is always **anxious about kids staying away from home.**

Parents **keep reminding** children staying away from home, about their schedule and **enquire** about progress of their activities

Photographs always find place on personal workspaces.

More than lengthy conversations, simple short information is often shared.

User Study

People using calendar as scheduling tool, maintaining family accounts mark up important dates etc.

Sometimes people don't communicate often because of Laziness or Busy schedule.

Adopting to new technology.

Not in a mood to connect up.

Objectives

Build and help mark the events on the differing timeline so member can relate to them

Facilitating media sharing in the form of photos and scribbles to tell stories from each end

Media sharing should not be forced on the user

Media shared

Pictures,
personal annotations,
reminder notes



reminders



annotations on photos /
mark up ones schedule



Pictures

staying away from home?

.....stay connected

The product



The product combines a calendar with sharing of photos located in a personal space. Date-based archiving for easy storage and retrieval of data. Story-telling using photos and reminders could help build a mental timeline of each other during the period of staying away.

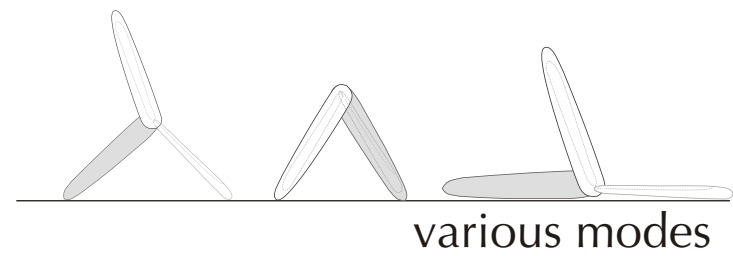
Sharing happens asynchronously & is less intrusive into the other's environment.

The product



Alternate navigation button

Touch screen displays



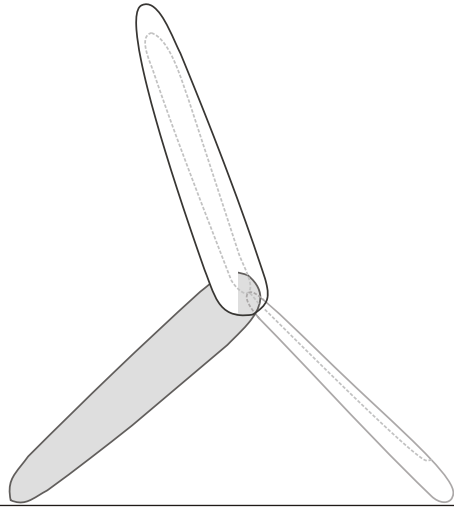
various modes



Alternate navigation button (access from both sides)



The product



As a desktop calendar

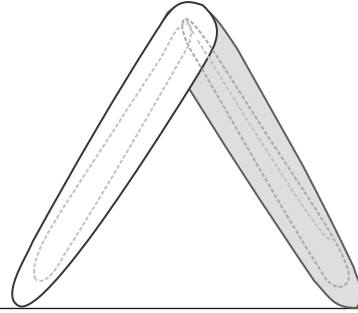
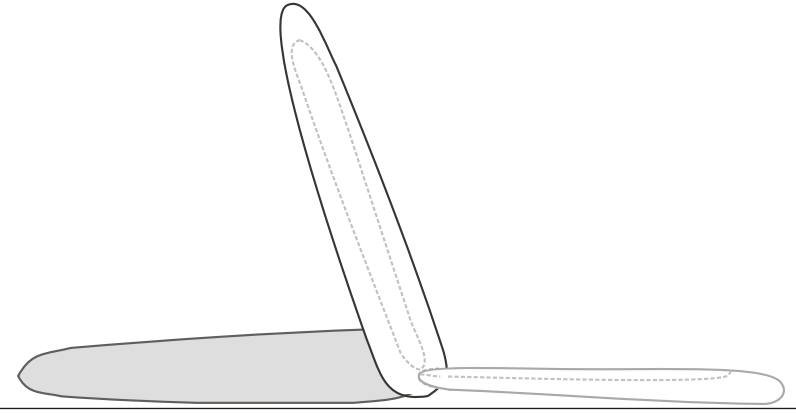
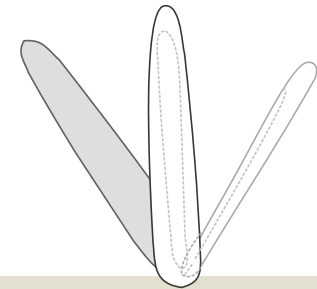
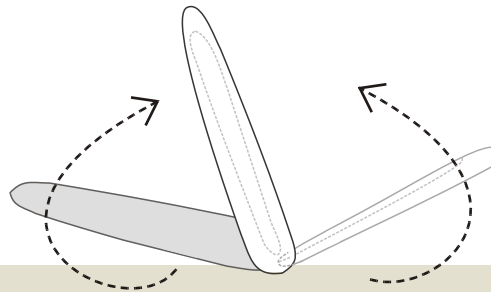
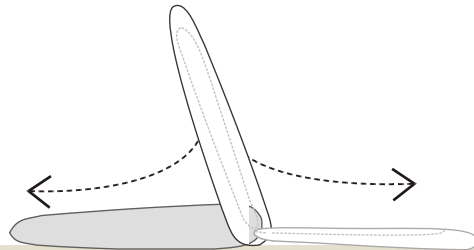
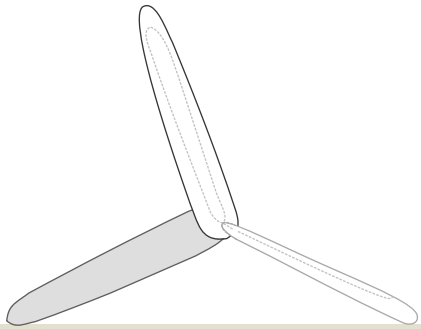


Photo frame/calendar



As a desktop organiser

Various Modes of the Same product.



Folding of The product.

Product feature

- 1) Load images and add annotation
- 2) Access multiple calendars (tab able)
- 3) Create / Share schedulers and reminders
- 4) Maintains date based archive of events

Product feature



1) **Add Annotation** to photographs, and is played back in as it was created (animated)

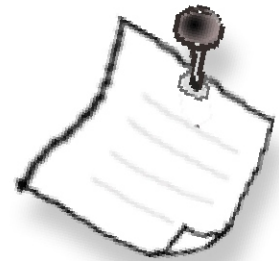
Use Images from **various inputs** (scan/digicam) and can be mounted on the picture area.



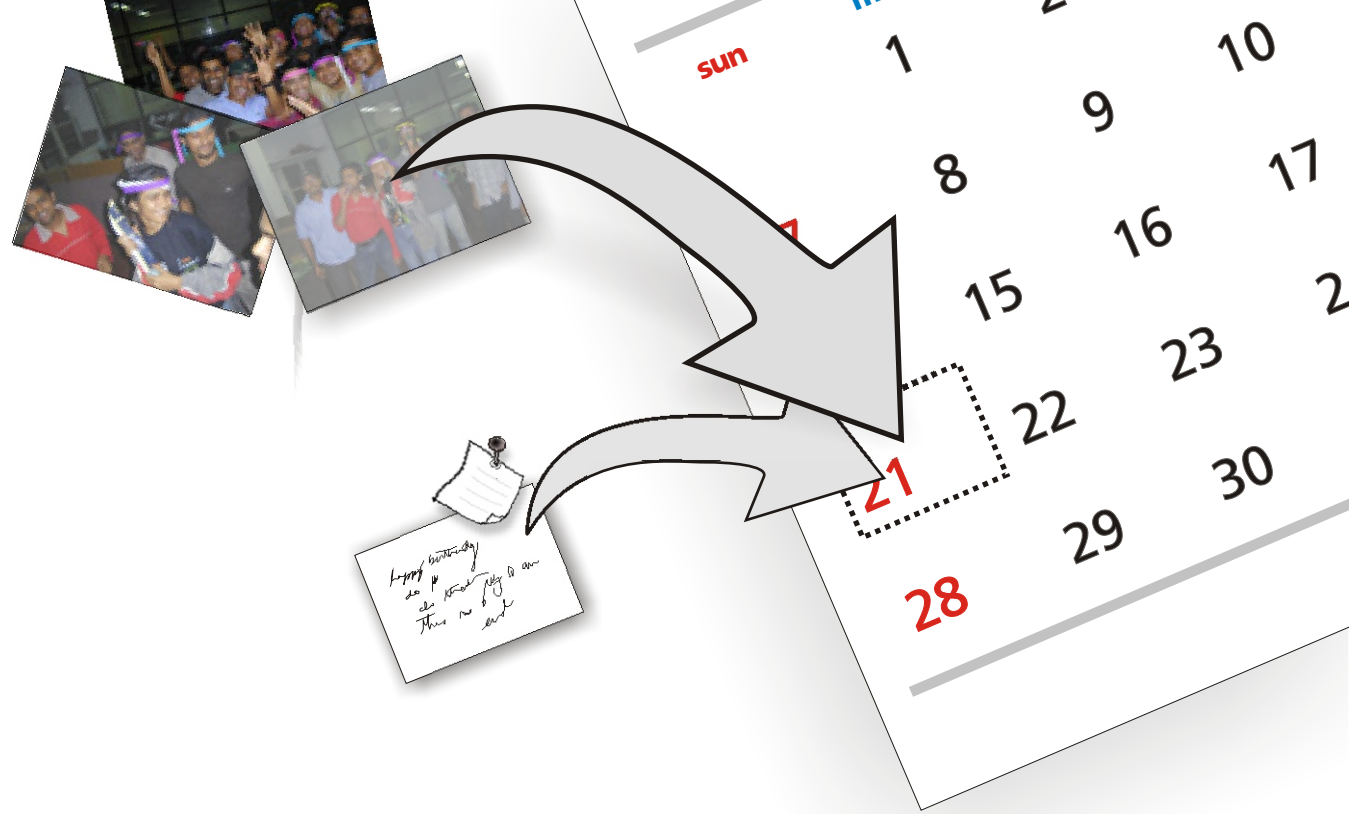
Product feature

3) Create / Share **schedulers** and **reminders**

Can mark up ones own schedule on the calendar on individual dates, and can access the other persons calendar and can leave some reminder notes (tab able pages of calender).

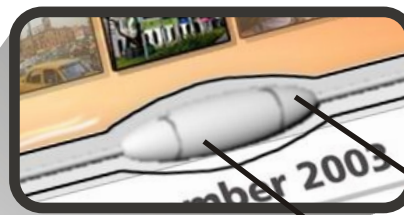


Product feature



- 4) Maintains **date based archive** of events
(with photographs and schedule)
The calendar offers an excellent tool for archiving.

Product interface



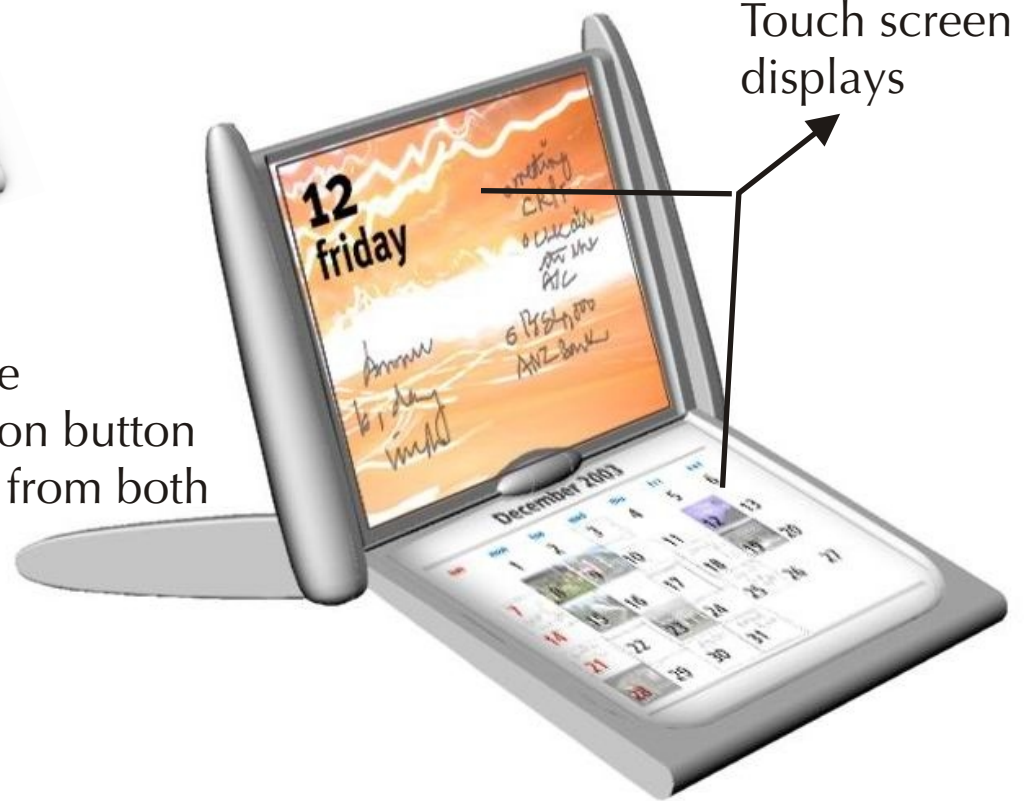
Browse between images

Browse between dates/months

write schedule/leave notes/
mark up on the photos



Alternate navigation button
(access from both sides)



Touch screen displays

Product variation

the product could be extended further:

Could incorporate a webcam for live-feeds or for clicking snaps.

Could incorporate more media elements like audio, video etc.

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