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- I showed Dr Martin sample issues of the journal *Crosstalk* and asked his advice on how to tell if it's peer-reviewed. I think it's a good journal for my first paper because the readership is familiar with the subject and the journal publishes similar type papers. Also, I have seen other papers in conferences and elsewhere cite this journal. Is it 'high quality'? Who knows? But we seem to be in agreement that it's suitable for this paper.
- Talked about the REN course last week. It was different from any other Requirements course I've ever taken. I learnt highly valuable stuff from it, though.
- We talked about the reply from Dr Ian Levy. Disagree on whether we can infer something official is still going on from the email. I will ask some of my other contacts if they have heard anything or are aware of anything.
- Bletchley Park field trip: Dr Martin is pleased that I contacted them and Tony Sale will be giving us the tour. Dr Martin suggested I should send the invitation to the concurrency and security group as well.
- How long should I work on a paper? Dr Martin says to make it good enough to get accepted but does not have to be perfect.
- Don't let the methodology get lost in the hassle of moving house. I committed to writing a draft before I leave for the states on 28th July.
- Use the new Task List feature of Google Calendar. Try it out.
- I hope time zones don't mess me up when I move. I totally don't trust Outlook's calendar because of that. Every time daylight savings time changes, I miss at least one meeting because Outlook messed up the time change. All versions of Microsoft Windows current through Vista store the time internally in non-UTC form.
- Next meeting: Thursday, 9th July 2009 at 11:00am.
- TO DO:
 1. Contact the editor of *Crosstalk*, ask for word count guidelines and send him your abstract.
 2. Write the paper. I promised a draft to Dr Martin to read by Thursday, 9th July.
 3. Concentrate on methodology chapter next. I promised to have a draft of the methodology chapter written before I leave for the states.
 4. Try out the new Task List feature of Google Calendar.

References