File 20110315.1135: Notes from hallway discussion with Shamal:

Shamal was opinionated as usual. Recommended not using ATLAS.ti for the figures in the paper; it generates Windows Metafiles, and you will end up converting them to bitmaps anyway. Better to use Graphviz to re-draw the figures. It makes cleaner looking results and it will probably be less work anyway. Shamal thinks ATLAS.ti uses Graphviz internally anyway. Shamal and Ronald admired the CF-30. I saw John in the office and wished him luck tomorrow.

Shamal pointed me to a paper on autoethnography by Madeline Balaam [1].

Shamal tried to understand what my thesis is, and the experience of talking to him for an hour I think helped clarify it in my mind. He was heavy into validation, claimed that I would need another case study or three to validate that the risk market is a solution to the C&A problems. I need to identify several clear issues in my three case studies that the risk market solution addresses specifically.

Repeat that: I need to identify several clear issues that appear in each of my three case studies that the risk market solution addresses specifically.

25 pages is a good length for a grounded theory analysis. Keep this in mind for chapter length.

References

[1] Madeline Balaam. An autoethnographical design: Using autoethnographic methods to understand and portray experience through design. URI: http://staceyk.org/chi11workshop/submissions/AutoethnographicMethods_Balaam.pdf retrieved on 15th March 2011, 2011.