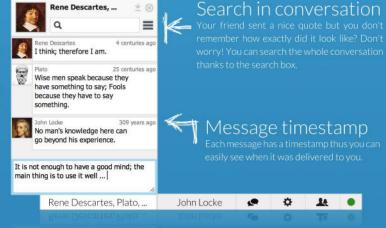
Liferay Communication Infrastructure







The main focus of this project is to create a modern instant messaging communication system in the environment of a Liferay portal (LIMS).

The project also provides a platform which visualizes connections between participants and thus shows interesting social patterns that can be used for a variety of different purposes such as Social Network Analysis.

LIMS is a part of the emerging Czech Technichal University Information System. It is also a part of the Liferay marketplace and thus distributed among a large group of Liferay portal instances.

The project won a runner-up price in the Liferay marketplace app contest.

Liferay Portal

Liferay is an independent market leader in the portal industry. Portal might be descibed as a single web-based environment from which all of a user's applications can run. Liferay is thus a container for small applications called portlets that encapsulate functionality. These applications are integrated together in a consistent and systematic way. Liferay possess their own marketplace with portlets similar to Google Play and the Apple App Store.

Instant Messaging System

As a part of this project a portlet for Instant Messaging was created (the figure above). Given portlet serves as a client to the Jabber server which stores all data such as conversations and information about users.

Social Network Analysis

Social network analysis is defined as a: "tool that can be used to analyze the structure of interpersonal relationships within a group of individuals. These relationships, taken collectively, constitute a network. SNA treats individuals as nodes and the relationship between individuals as linkages". The project includes a platform which provides data for SNA in a standardized Gexf format. Given data can be then easily visualized (the figure on the right).

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LIMS is integrated to the emarging Czech Technical University Information System. It aims to be a frequently used channel that will connect multiple groups like students, teachers, employees and alumni.

