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TOPIC ---

I synchronize my MessagePad 120 every couple of days, with my computer using the
Newton Connection Kit 2.0. I noticed that in the Newton Connection folder, I
have three folders "My Name's Newton", "My Name 1's Newton" and "My Name 2's
Newton". I can tell by the last modification date that the "My Name 2's Newton"
folder contains the most current files, but why do I have three folders?

DISCUSSION --

You are correct in assuming that "My Name 2's Newton" contains the most current
synchronization files. Another way to find the most current set of sync files is
to check the creation date on the folder. The most recently created folder has
the most recent creation date. The folder should also have the highest "user
name x's" number.

The MessagePad has a unique identification code that is not apparent to the
user. This identification code is used by the Newton Connection Kit to ensure
synchronization occurs between the MessagePad and the appropriate files which
have matching identification numbers.

If the MessagePad is erased, a new identification number is created on the
MessagePad. The next time the Newton Connection Kit synchronizes, the
identification code on the MessagePad does not match the identification code on
the previous synchronization files, so a new set of files, with the same name
and a numerical suffix added, are created.

Before throwing away the older synchronization files, you may want to copy the
information out of the old Archive files, and paste it into the new Archive
file. This is not necessary if you do not want to keep track of the data that
has been removed from the MessagePad.

Once you have removed the previous synchronization files, you can delete the
number 2 from the name of the current synchronization files to avoid any

confusion.

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