

# Files vs web pages

Should we focus only on web-based apps or should we also cater to desktop apps which manage files? (ex.: [LibreOffice](#))

## Reasons to focus on files

- A lot of legacy content
- Access to more powerful apps. Ex: [KeePass](#) has all kinds of desktop integrations not possible in a browser (well perhaps with plugins...). And KeePass data files can be accessed via PHP and JavaScript (not mature, but possible)

## Reasons not to focus on files

- Adds complexity of offline syncing
- App may not be available for all clients
- Increases overlap of features

We should instead focus on a web interface to

- [Spreadsheet](#)
- [Word Processor \(Wiki\)](#)
- [Slideshow](#)
- [Diagram](#)
- etc.

## If we do focus on files, how?

### Files should live where the app lives

We focus on [Virtual desktop infrastructure](#), accessible via a web browser or a client such as VNC client. Please see [MeshCentral](#).

### Files accessible via Syncthing

- [Syncthing](#)

### Via the web interface or WebDAV

- See background information here: [Why Syncthing](#)

Related links

- <http://gigaom.com/2010/09/28/libreoffice-an-idea-whose-time-has-come-and-gone/>
- <http://www.techrepublic.com/blog/hiner/steve-jobs-proclaims-the-post-pc-era-has-arrived/4701>
- <http://www.intomobile.com/2011/06/07/the-post-pc-era-myth/>