

RÉSUMÉ OF BRET VICTOR

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EDUCATION

- University of California at Berkeley**, Berkeley, CA 8/99 – 5/01
Received EECS dept. fellowship; graduated with a MS in Electrical Engineering
Thesis: *Bus Encoding to Prevent Crosstalk Delay*.
A rigorous mathematical analysis of “self-shielding code theory”, a novel technique for reducing the delay due to digital crosstalk on an on-chip bus.
- California Institute of Technology**, Pasadena, CA 9/95 – 6/99
Graduated with a **3.9 GPA** and a “BS with Honors” in Electrical Engineering
- Castro Valley High School**, Castro Valley, CA 9/91 – 6/95
Graduated with 4.2 GPA and “High Honors”
Also took college-level math classes at Las Positas Junior College

WORK

- Design Engineer: Alesis Studio Electronics**
Designed and implemented the sound engine for an analog-modeling synthesizer. 9/02 –
Currently in charge of project management and all product, interface, hardware, software, and FPGA design for another upcoming synthesizer.
- Research Assistant**
Electronic Design Automation research under Professor Keutzer of UC Berkeley 9/00 – 5/01
Rotation sensor design under Professor Ostrowski of the University of Pennsylvania 6/00 – 8/00
Research in autonomous robotics under Professor Goodman of Caltech 6/98 – 8/98
- Teaching Assistant**
EE 4: Introduction to Digital Electronics, and EE 167: Data Compression 9/97 – 3/98
- Freelance Software Designer**
Designed and programmed over 30 titles for the Apple IIs. 9/95 – 12/96

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

I've built...

- a digital audio recorder with oscilloscope
- a device to crack combination locks by punching in all possible combinations
- an infrared wireless audio transmitter and receiver
- an “air guitar”, a wireless electronic musical instrument
- a freespace rotation sensor
- a device for turning on an air conditioner with a phone call
- a full-custom VLSI design that acts as a graphics processor and LED matrix driver
- a computerized Coke machine (www.cs.caltech.edu/~bret/coke)

I've written...

- software in C, C++, Java, Perl, and nine assembly languages
- two embedded operating systems
- compilers and assemblers for various languages I designed (bkasm.sourceforge.net)
- a web server and online radio station management program (lloydradio.caltech.edu)
- an industry-leading analog-modeling sound synthesizer, with multiple oscillators, LFOs, envelopes, and modulation routes (alesis.com/products/Ion)

I've studied...

- analog and digital integrated circuit design (use of hspice)
- VLSI (use of magic)
- programmable logic design (use of Verilog and VHDL)
- computer processor architecture
- computer-aided design for VLSI
- A/D and D/A converter design
- logic synthesis
- digital signal processing
- microprocessor system design
- 3D computer graphics
- information theory
- data compression
- communications
- complex analysis and transforms
- electromagnetics
- solid-state physics

Please see <http://www.ugcs.caltech.edu/~bret/portfolio.html> for details.

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- Twenty years piano-playing experience; ability to compose, improvise, or sight-read from “fake books”
- Three years high school and two years college varsity track; high school league 100m champ