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1. Professional Experience and Projects

SiCure Mobile, 2009-present, VP of Research and Development.

Security, authentication, mobile software, and cloud computing. I cofounded SiCure Mobile in order to develop new two factor authentication solutions using mobile devices, specifically smart phones. I developed a new method of performing mobile authentication and implemented a prototype product. I designed the security architecture of the system, validated the security architecture in collaboration with a security consulting company, implemented the server that performs authentication, wrote iPhone and Android applications that implement the authentication protocol and contact the authentication server, implemented model customer client systems that use the authentication server, built a package for open source platforms (specifically Linux) that uses the authentication server to authenticate users, and coordinated development by other developers.

Kestrel Technology, 2006-2008, Senior Research Scientist.

Program analysis and high assurance software. As principal investigator of a Department of Defense program analysis project I led a team that developed an Eclipse-based analysis tool that supports program testing and lightweight verification. The tool uses a new implementation of abstract interpretation that is both flexible and efficient, and incorporates innovative ideas on how to present analysis information to the user. I was also the co-PI of a DARPA project that investigated synthesizing efficient programs for multi-core processors through abstraction and refinement.

Sun Microsystems Laboratories, 2000-2006, Senior Scientist.

Programming language implementation, security, and small devices. I was the principal investigator leading a group exploring Java technology on various small platforms. This work included a secure version of Java for high security devices (specifically cryptographic modules) and a small version of Java for sensors and next generation smart cards. I was also a co-investigator on a project to develop a high assurance Java platform for NASA. I received patents for various concepts involving small devices, virtual machine implementation, and garbage collection, and worked on a cross-division team that analyzed Java performance on the UltraSPARC V architecture.

Sun Microsystems Laboratories, 1996-2000, Staff Scientist.

Programming language implementation, small devices, and technology transfer. I collaborated with Antero Taivalsaari on a small Java virtual machine for the Palm Connected Organizer. We worked with Sun's Consumer and Embedded Division to turn this virtual machine into the CLDC/KVM product, which was the original basis of Java Micro Edition. The CLDC has been adopted by many major small device manufacturers, and has been deployed on millions of devices worldwide.

Intrinsa Corporation, 1993-1996, Founder and Principal Scientist.

Program analysis and product development. Jon Pincus (the Chief Technical Officer) and I developed a new analytic technique for automatically detecting programming errors, such as pointer errors, that previously were found either by runtime testing or by user-supplied assertions. The technique traces execution paths through source code, inferring values, modeling memory, and detecting inconsistencies. The technique was patented and is described in a widely referenced article in *Software Practice and Experience*. We founded a venture-backed company that was ultimately acquired by Microsoft, which uses our tool, called PREFIX, to improve the quality and security of its products, including Windows and Office.

UC Berkeley, 1992-1993, Postdoctoral Researcher.

CAD, software development, and technology transfer. After completing my dissertation I managed the development of the Octtools, a collection of some 135 widely-used CAD tools produced at Berkeley (which performed, among other activities, logic synthesis, standard cell place and route, global routing, and interactive graphical editing). I was responsible for the technology transfer of the tools (about 750K lines of C code) from academic projects to robust multi-platform software, and for coordinating the work of graduate students on the system. I also continued my dissertation work on hardware synthesis as principal investigator of a project with the Air Force.

UC Berkeley, 1985-1991, Graduate Researcher (Ph.D.).

CAD, computer architecture, and Prolog. My dissertation, *The High-Level Synthesis of Microprocessors Using Instruction Frequency Statistics*, explored the boundary between computer architecture and computer aided design. The work was based on a high-level CAD system I constructed that automatically synthesized microprocessors, using instruction frequency information to control optimization. Within the context of global design constraints, the technique allocated resources to more frequently used instructions in order to improve the overall throughput of the synthesized design. The system also generated specialized microprocessors, omitting the hardware required only by unused instructions.

I was also the senior graduate student and project manager of an ARPA-sponsored effort by Professor Alvin Despain to build a full-range VLSI CAD system in Prolog. The system generated VLSI masks from instruction set level specifications. Additionally, in a related project I contributed to the architecture of the Berkeley Abstract Machine (BAM) microprocessor, a RISC processor optimized for Prolog.

UC Berkeley, 1983-1985, Graduate Researcher (M.S.).

Compilation, Smalltalk, and RISC processors. I designed and implemented the Smalltalk compiler for Berkeley's Smalltalk On A RISC (SOAR) machine, a Berkeley RISC microprocessor extended to support Xerox's Smalltalk-80 language. The compiler translated Smalltalk bytecodes into machine instructions in a manner similar to subsequent just-in-time compilers for Java.

Harvard University, 1977-1982, Research Programmer.

Software engineering. I worked on an ARPA-funded software engineering project led by Professor Thomas Cheatham that explored a program specification and development methodology based on abstraction and stepwise refinement. We constructed a system that transformed platform independent abstract models into platform-dependent system software.

Computer Corporation of America, 1973-1977, Computer Scientist.

Network database systems. I worked in and then led the team that designed and implemented the data definition and access language of the Datacomputer, the first large-scale database server on the ARPA network. I also created the Datacomputer File Transfer Program (DFTP), an early cloud computing backup application that ran on various host computers on the ARPA network and stored local files on the Datacomputer.

2. Publications and Patents

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"Datacomputer File Transfer Program User's Guide"; W.R. Bush; *Computer Corporation of America Technical Bulletin 1*, April 1977.

3. Education

University of California, Berkeley, Ph.D. (Computer Science) 1992

University of California, Berkeley, M.S. (Computer Science) 1985

Boston University Law School, J.D. 1977

Harvard College, A.B. 1972 cum laude in General Studies

(with a double major in English and Engineering and Applied Physics)