

DiaryOfCraigFanClub

Comments About DiaryOfCraig

13 August 2008

RashinaHoda: Congrats on the OOPSLA paper :)

CraigAnslow: thanks, now I need to create the camera ready and complete the actual poster!

12 October 2007

AlexPotanin: Wow! That's bad luck. Sorry to hear that. How long more to survive through? :-)

CraigAnslow: thanks for the support.

11 October 2007

AlexPotanin: Glad to hear you are alive. :-) Maybe the garage is too lazy to fix it because your car is more than 1 year old? I hear they only drive new cars there. :-) Hope you didn't lose too much \$\$\$.:-(What brand was it?

CraigAnslow: No there are lots of cars from the 90s on the roads here. It is a Dodge (American car). I will probably get a second opinion.

1 October 2007

Pippin: According to your ThesisStatus, 20% of one chapter left! Go you good thing, go!

CraigAnslow: it is now done :-)

Pippin: That's great, Craig :) Congratulations on making it through!

CraigAnslow: Thanks, it is a huge relieve and definitely some weight off my shoulders and onto my belly :-) I got up this morning and was like oh, what I am going to do today? So off to work with a Starbucks coffee in hand and a smile as large as Africa.

AlexPotanin: Congratulations! Not long to go. Sorry I had to beat you though to submission. :-)

CraigAnslow: Thanks. Alex, your comment sounds like you were physically beating me up with your Kung Fu skills!

JenniferFerreira: So if you had driven right over the pedestrian on the road you would have only made 4 mistakes? glad i'm not a pedestrian in california!! good on ya for getting that thesis thing done — almost there:)

CraigAnslow: I don't think I would have passed if I had of run over the pedestrian. They were about to walk out on the street but not at a pedestrian crossing, it seemed like a good thing to do, but not according to the driving instructor.

ChrisLewis: You'd get a mark off in the UK for that too... you aren't supposed to encourage them to go out into the road in a dangerous position. Obviously you have to keep their eye on them in case they do anything stupid, but letting

them cross is a no-no. You have to drive "assertively" :) Dude is crazy for trying to cross the road in CA, it takes about 45 seconds to walk the width of the roads ;)

CraigAnslow: lucky that this road was only in suburbia, near one of the famous things called a strip mall.

ChrisLewis: Which doesn't even have any strippers :(

28 August 2007

PARC? wow cool!

CraigAnslow: it is the only place that doesn't feel like a corporation here in the valley. It feels more like a university since they have offices rather than open plan space. In actual fact the PARC buildings are quite dated, i.e. 1970s and give me that similar feel when I walk into the Cotton Building, especially Earth Sciences part :-)

11 August 2007

IanWelch: What was the computer history museum like? Any games exhibits?

ChrisLewis: I almost went there... I don't think it has any games stuff apart from maybe SpaceWar or Pong... It looked like it was more bits and pieces that the Valley has collected over the years and needed somewhere to go. But I am sure Craig knows more :)

CraigAnslow: Chris is correct, but I assume Donald definitely knows more :-)
It had lots of machines, not so many games. The only main game display i could think of was Chess, where they showed Deep Blue, the computer versus Gary Kasparov. However, as Chris says there were lots of machines that played games from the 1970/80s I think, but nothing about the actual games themselves. I will post some pictures on my Picassa site, once I get in touch with Donald to transfer the files since we used his camera to take all the pictures.

10 August 2007

ChrisLewis: Wouldn't Sergey Brin own his own cinema? Going to the cinema with other people is miserable, with rustling bags and idiots talking and all that...

I would spend his money in a much better way then him :)

CraigAnslow: you would think so, this cinema is right next to Google, like the next street. The next closest cinema is about 5 miles away in Palo Alto or 10 in Santa Clara. I guess he can go and see a film and then go back to work afterwards or something like that. Basically easy to get to without worrying about logistics. The funny thing was he was not with his new wife. Since he doesn't have a salary any more, I have no idea how he paid for it, perhaps he persuaded the friendly ticket staff with shares of his company, or maybe he has a special VIP pass, who knows :-)

Re: 2 August 2007

TimWright: Good luck with the film and the submission! It's quite strange putting the "2nd" up above! It's the 1st here :)

CraigAnslow: the film has already been submitted and has been accepted. I now need to send the final version of the short abstract of the film to the publishers and sign the ACM form :-)

RE: 26 July 2007

KiRk: Wow Craig, congratulations! It has been a good day!

CraigAnslow: thanks, the next good day I am looking forward to is submitting the thesis :-)

5 July 2007

Pippin: Heeeey, happy birthday, Craig! Hope you're going out for a nice dinner or something over there?

JenniferFerreira: Yeah, happy birthday!!!

CraigAnslow: Thanks for the nice comments. I went to see the fireworks in San Francisco last night then a couple of beers at midnight. Dinner tonight, BBQ on Friday and intern party on Saturday. I plan to do some thesis work in between :-)

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29 June 2007

JenniferFerreira: Hey Craig I'm borrowing one of your wonderful books — Dix et al.'s Human Computer Interaction 2nd Ed. Thought I'd mention it here cos your liberry page is uneditable:)

CraigAnslow: no problem, perhaps I should make a library of Craig on Elvis-Brain ... or fix my wiki. Just give it back to Alex's office when you are done with it.

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25 June 2007

Pippin: Hey man, glad to hear you have some of the basic things already set up. Smooth moves. Bed in a ... what was it? Packet? Bag? Anyway, sounds funny. Keep us all posted.

Also, I randomly tried to edit your wiki and... "Editing not allowed: Craig Anslow is read-only." Nice.

CraigAnslow: yeah the bed in a bag is all the linen, sheets, sleeping cover, pillow cases etc. I made the wiki read-only as I was getting spammed all the time which made a lot of hits on the RecentChanges. I may in the future do some more configurations or adjustments to the wiki now that I am working with wikis at SAP.

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10 June 2007

ALEx: Hope you get better soon! Did you eat something nasty? ;-)

CraigAnslow: I am not sure. I had some candy from the fridge earlier in the day and Eddie found a dead mouse there the other day, but it is not clear that the mouse and affected the candy or anything in the fridge. It will be interesting to know if anyone else has been feeling sick over the past week or so and has had something from the fridge. I don't won't to come into university until I am over the bug as I don't want to pass it around.

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7 June 2007

ALEX: Why don't you book it over the phone?

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10 May 2007

JamesKjx: WOW! — Craig, these are just beautiful.

ALEX: I agree with James - that's one of the most pleasing ways of viewing the software. ;-)

CraigAnslow: thanks for the comments. I am going to try a couple of different things as well. Not sure if I will have time to add them into the thesis though. I also got some really nice comments from Kirk as well.

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12 February 2007

AngelaMartin: I have used Fedex to send documents overseas when I was in Wellington ... they were really great!! At one point when I had a really urgent document I was able to go and meet the driver to give it to him, so they are pretty understanding and cooperative ... and they pick up documents from wherever you are, pretty handy ... or I think you can drop them into them, their location is somewhere near the airport. You sound like you are making heaps of progress ... hope the GRE results are ok, and bummer about the documents getting lost, that really sucks.

CraigAnslow: Thanks well I have to resend them and don't want to pay another company as it might be a different price so I will just use NZ Post again. I will probably also use NZ Post again for the Carleton ones which I am going downtown today to send. Perhaps it was fate that didn't want me to send those documents, who knows. However if I did send the documents via Fedex then I would be more than happy to sit on a deserted island like Tom Hanks did in the movie Castaway :-)

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13 December 2006

AlexPotanin: Only General GRE's are required, not Computer Science GRE's. I think General ones are run more often than twice a year. Indicate on applications that you "will seat and supply results once available". Some top Uni's ignore GRE's completely (e.g. MIT).

CraigAnslow: Yeah I sent letters with my hard copy of my transcripts explaining I can actually sit the exams until February 2007 as the last time the exams

were scheduled I was in the US in October. All the unis I applied to didn't require subject tests. Some also said that the results of the GREs were only minor as you have stated above. I can now only hope and pray.

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26 January 2005

MikeMcGavin: Wow, so you've also made the leap to ElvisBrain:DonAldOS.

CraigAnslow: I have had ElvisBrain:DonAldOS for a while now, I think maybe something like 6 months, but have had a problem the last couple in being able to update any files on the machine. I didn't look into the problem that well, but hopefully it is fixed.

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15 November 2004

AngelaMartin: Welcome back! Look forward to hearing all about your trip.

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5 November 2004

AngelaMartin: Hey I meant to mention if you are still in London on Tuesday evening you might want to go to the eXtreme Tuesday Club. I have met a number of the guys who go to this at conferences and they are all pretty interesting so you'd probably enjoy it, besides like all good english dudes they met at the pub over a beer. The web site is <http://www.xpdeveloper.com/> ... if you decide you'd like to go and need more info, let me know.

Have fun in Poland, look forward to seeing some of your photos when you get back!

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23 September 2004

AlexPotanin: Ouch! Hope you are OK. I once put my hand through a glass door and after it all grew back - I found out I had a piece of glass under my skin, so the doctor had to cut it out and I had to recover all over again. You may want to confirm that you haven't got anything stuck there you can't feel or notice... :)

CraigAnslow: it was just a few cuts on my hand, but it exposed a bit of flesh. It was not deep at all.

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14 August 2004

AlexPotanin: About 3D visualisation of ownership trees see <http://www.mcs.vuw.ac.nz/alex/ownershipvi> and

Sorry. :-).

CraigAnslow: Yeah I looked at this and remember reading about it. It seems quite cool and could be useful later with some comparisons of the 3D frameworks that I look at.

TimWright: feels he should point out that 3D does not necessarily make things better - perhaps CrAig should create a 3D one as well as a 2D one and compare them.

<http://www.cosc.canterbury.ac.nz/andy/2d3d.html>

CraigAnslow: Thanks Tim I have actually read quite a bit of Andy's stuff, see Craig's References. I started looking at 3D stuff last year after I finished my Honours Project and was quite interested in what Andy and the Hitlab were doing I have read a bit of their stuff too. One component of my research is going to bring in the 2D vs. 3D visualisations so I will probably have a chat to Andy and you sometime next year about it.

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4 October 2003

AlexPotanin: What's with the lack of sleep? :-)

CraigAnslow: I went home after midnight last night and I couldn't sleep so I had to watch some TV to fall asleep and with the whole day light savings thing I lost an hours sleep.

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