# Tim Frost

I have been working as a freelance design consultant for more than 10 years and have covered a diverse range of projects, with many different clients. I have worked as part of a larger project team or in some cases I have worked on my own.

Although my background is in hardware design, with a degree in maths and electronics, software and documentation now occupies a major part of my time.

In July 2003 the business changed from a partnership to FrostNet Ltd.

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Working as a consultant designer has provided a wide range of projects.

Some recent projects have been:

Using SGS uPSD3200 series processor for embedded system.

Writing real time software to drive a specialised sewing machine using **National Instruments FlexMotion library** with **Borland C++ Builder** to drive eight stepper motors as well as providing a full **Windows Graphical User interface**. At the completion of the project I assisted in providing full documentation and work instructions.

Deriving mathematical routines for converting between 2D and 3D shapes.

Debugging a multi-processor motor control rack, this involves writing software test routines and drivers in **C** and firmware for **Lattice CPLDs**.

# **Main Activities**

Project management

Hardware development

Windows software

Embedded software

Real time software

System design

**EMC** testing

Writing documents, manuals and test procedures to comply with ISO9001

## **Summary of Skills**

#### Software

I have experience in a variety of languages and systems – these include.

Various projects using **embedded programming in C** (8051), including writing data to **SmartMedia** cards.

Analog Devices DSP assembler for motor control application including Digital Filters

A variety of windows applications in **Borland C++ Builder** and **Borland Delphi**, including DLLs, threads, DDE, real time machine control and video capture.

Client-server databases with Borland Delphi and Interbase Server

Experience of programming National Instruments motor control systems in Borland C++ Builder

Microsoft Word and Excel including writing VB macros.

### Hardware

I have extensive hardware experience ranging from low noise audio to high power drive systems. My experience includes:

Active & passive filters

Amplifiers - low noise, high speed

High Input impedance systems

FET switching circuits

Analogue audio

Power amplifiers

Switching amplifiers

Frequency Mixers

PCB Layout for high performance circuits

Embedded systems

DSP systems

GAL/CPLD programming

### **Experience Prior to 1989**

Cambridge Instruments Ltd, Electron Microscope Design

Lintech Instrument Ltd, Electron Beam Semiconductor Testers - Hardware Design

Manager

Focusrite Ltd, Analogue Audio Mixing Consoles - R&D Manager