

**Satoshi Nakamoto**  
**(Brock Angelle Thibodeaux)**

**Bitcoin White Paper (2008) Background  
Proof-of-Identity Complementary Document  
1998-2012**

—Brock Angelle Thibodeaux (Lafayette, LA) August 31, 1988  
—David Foster Wallace (Ithaca, NY) February 21, 1962 – September 12, 2008  
(Claremont, CA) [Note: Aided in research only. Helped with mathematical research for the original whitepaper. Passed before Bitcoin was launched; was/is not part of the Satoshi Nakamoto moniker.]  
—Satoshi Nakamoto, April 5, 1975; 10 days before U.S. Tax Day; 13 years, 21 weeks and 1 day before BAT's birth-date  
—The Federalist Papers were an influence on the decision to initially post pseudonymously (pre-2011) //still is, of course//  
—This is a short documentation on what is not already in the public domain (re correspondence with Adam Back, Hal Finney, et al). All notes on publications or correspondence or research methodologies, when not directly related to the development of Bitcoin, are ancillary or meant to add context to its influence on the Bitcoin white paper in the years during its development. Several different types and kinds of publications, media and PC/Mac-related software and the like were notes of influence during the creation of Bitcoin. A genuinely honest effort has been made to list them all here. This list is updated frequently. (Last update: 2-7-2025)

**1998**

- Thinking/work for Bitcoin actually started in mid 1998, around October; most of the ‘coding,’ if you want to call the work that, occurred in late 2005 throughout 2007
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology, LUSENET.com, June 5, 1998
  - LUSENET/MIT, TCL-based public bulletin board system ([greenspun.com](http://greenspun.com)) (1995-2005)
  - Brock posts thread, signed Brock Angelle Thibodeaux, on Alan Greenspun’s [greenspun.com](http://greenspun.com):LUSENET:TitanicShack bulletin board: “4 lines {looking for specific shot of sinking scene}” from a Pentium 1-based PC, running Windows 95, with an off-the-shelf dial-up modem, running on a local Bellsouth-owned ISP ([acadian.net](http://acadian.net)). (Slight future influence on Ⓜ symbol?)
  - double-space after commas and periods, Satoshi “writing style”
  - 9 days later, Australian member replies (with an @bar.com.au address)
  - June 4, 1992 - Alberta Canadian Quarter (see: historical reference/influence)
  - Greenspan (U.S. Treasury Secretary, 1987-2006) → Greenspun (LUSENET, 1998-2000)
  - 6/5/98 → 98 (+ 2 years) / 5 / 6 = 256 (SHA-256)
  - LUSENET post reference-to/“call-back” function ... viz. ‘Letters to Self’ type thing ...
- Satoshi = Ash's name in Pokemon (Japanese version)
  - Brock was very into Pokemon at this time
- “The (As It Were) Seminal Importance of *Terminator 2*,” (Originally “F/X Porn”) Waterstone’s Magazine Winter/Spring 1998
  - In the film, BIT HAPPENS, is written in black on white tape, atop Miles Bennett Dyson, Director of Special Projects at Cyberdyne Systems Corporation’s home computer’s CRT monitor
  - Film released: July 3, 1991

- D-Day, Rudder's Rangers, Dog Green Section, Utah Beach, June 5, 1944
- *Saving Private Ryan* premieres, June 5, 1998
- Intel releases the first Xeon-branded processor, the Pentium II Xeon (code-named "Drake"), replacing the Pentium Pro in Intel's high-end server lineup. The Pentium II Xeon was a "Deschutes" Pentium II (and shared the same product code: 80523) with a full-speed 512 kB (1 kB = 1024 B), 1 MB (1 MB = 1024 kB = 1024<sup>2</sup> B), or 2 MB L2 cache. June 5, 1998
- *Sex and the City* (SATC) Season 1, Episode 1 premieres, June 5, 1998
  - Perhaps a Satoshi pseudonym influence
- June 5, Apple's World Wide Developer's Conference (WWDC)
- Linguistically, same amount of letters
  - linguistically:
    - LUSENET
    - BITCOIN
    - TEN|E|S|UL
- [prosper@acadian.net](mailto:prosper@acadian.net) (unworking as of 2000)
  - Brock Angelle Thibodeaux ("TitanicShack")
  - two (2) posts, film/art-related
  - correspondence/emails/posts re artwork, infosec, Y2K-phenom, etc
  - (Note: "Titanic" received a August 30, 1999 DVD release, the same day which Brock would sign up for two (2) Gmail accounts [codenamed "Google Caribou" at first], a mere five years later, on August 30, 2004, with Gmail invites received from a fellow programmer friend)
  - Since the public Bullet Board System featured members from all across the world, and since topics ranged from U.S. and foreign monetary policy to music discussion, even casual users could easily read up on current events and find they could research , coding research, etc
- Yahoo! email:
  - dark\_blastoise009@hotmail.com
    - SMTP/IMAP/POP3 cybersec/coding research
    - Telephony, phreaking research, interest(s)
    - old-style "proxy" usage(s), academic
    - Intranet(s)/Fax-over-internet cyber-/info-sec research
    - Influence on 2009 release (?)
- The Acadian Flag
  - Designed: 1965, Dr. Thomas J Arceneaux (University of Southwestern Louisiana)
    - Derived from Southwestern Louisiana Institute (SLI)'s seal
      - Interestingly, in computer parlance, this is the same acronym for SLI-mode; meaning two GPUs (graphical processing units) working together via a hardware-enabled bridge on the motherboard
  - 1971: Acadiana (French and Louisiana French: *L'Acadienne*), also known as the Cajun Country (Louisiana French: *Le Pays Cadjin*, Spanish: *Páis Cajún*), is the official name given to the French Louisiana region that has historically contained much of the state's Francophone population: legislatively-designated an official
    - Interesting note on technically-related nomenclature: Virtual Computing Environment Company (VCE) was a division of [EMC Corporation](#) that manufactured [converged infrastructure](#) appliances for enterprise environments. Founded in 2009 under the name Acadia, it was originally a joint venture between EMC and [Cisco Systems](#), with additional investments by [Intel](#) and EMC subsidiary [VMware](#). EMC acquired a 90% controlling stake in VCE from Cisco in October 2014, giving it majority ownership. VCE ended in 2016 after an internal division realignment, followed by the sale of EMC to Dell.
  - Acadian Flag officially adopted: July 5, 1975 (House Concurrent Resolution No. 143)
  - 1 Gold Star, 3 Fleur-des-lis, 1 Golden Castle: helped influence and as a kind of thought-experiment for [Byzantine Generals Problem](#)

- “The Bitcoin network accomplishes this and solves the Problem in this way: It is important to understand that Bitcoin builds upon previous solutions for the Byzantine Generals Problem. For example, the network enables asynchronous communication between nodes and is essentially a replicated state machine. The network’s security also relies upon a combination of concepts such as asymmetric encryption, peer-to-peer networking technology, and Proof of Work (PoW). Just like the Paxos protocol or pBFT, Proof of Work is a consensus protocol. Although PoW was first proposed in 1992, Bitcoin became the first network to introduce a competitive aspect of PoW data validation known as mining. More PoW-based networks soon began to adopt Bitcoin’s solution for the Byzantine Generals Problem. Other varieties of blockchain consensus protocols would soon follow.” (from:

<https://komodoplatform.com/en/academy/byzantine-general-problem/>)

- Perhaps inspired by the Flag of Acadia, adopted by Canada on August 15, 1884 at the Second Acadian National Convention, held in Miscouche, Prince Edward Island, by nearly 5,000 Acadian delegates from across the Maritimes. It was designed by Father Marcel-Francois Richard, a priest from Saint-Louis-de-Kent, New Brunswick

—BTC Logo stylistic note: interestingly, the dental teeth numbers of Bitcoin’s founder’s (Brock Angelle Thibodeaux), the bottom (specifically UL, 21/9; UR 11/8(viz: /), in Dental Notation) match the lower left part of the ₿’s design, although not as slanted in real life; more of a very slight slant.



Along with traders in the past, when gold and gold-like coin(s) were traded regularly as currency, the long-standing International Olympiad (The Olympics) tradition of ‘biting’ one’s Gold medal, in order to ensure its authenticity as real gold, (—since, historically, gold is a quote-unquote soft metal, which bends and scuffs/marks easily—), which such practice still occurs to this day, to much fanfare, spectators and journalists alike—when applied here, imagine if a physical Bitcoin, inverted so as to arrive betwixt one’s top-plus-bottom fronts-of-teeth, as 1st, 2nd and 3rd-place Olympic winners can do any-time during-, just-after or post-‘podiuming’ (a recently-helmed term meaning while on the Olympic podium, in ceremonial \_2\_1\_3\_ fashion) the Upper Right tooth (11) would leave this: / —interestingly almost the same as BTC’s would leave ‘most the exact same indentation, given enough pressure

- Although pure gold medals haven’t been awarded since 1912 by the International Olympic Committee, the tradition remains

— Linguistically:

LUSENET

BITCOIN

Mi casa e su casa

TEN | E | SU | L

(nice coincidence: Cover of *Fate, Time, and Language*)

“UL,” Underwriters Laboratories, lightbulb standard/symbol;

— Louisiana § 21: “The writ of habeas corpus shall not be suspended.”

— July – 4-H Summer Camp (Pollock, Rapides Parish, Louisiana)

- Grades 4th-6th, according to Parishes throughout the state of Louisiana

- Camp Grant Walker 4-H Educational Center

3000 Highway 8, Pollock, LA 71467

- Soon after discovering JavaScript, C and C++, Perl, HTML and XHTML and Bash/Batch-scripting/-compiling in general, including MIT's LUSENET, TelNet(s) and their accompanying NewsNet protocol(s), with Usenet(s) and their relation(s) to Windows 9x/NT 3.xx/4.xx operating system(s)/server version(s) and online Bulletin Board Systems w/ databases, going for a few-weeks excursion into the Northern Louisiana state woodlands, just shy of 18 ½ miles North-east of Alexandria, LA, via US 165-N
  - (fun tidbit: this small city in Rapides Parish would one-day be Central HQ of the State + Federal response force during Category 5-level-and-more Hurricane Katrina (August 23-25, 2005)'s landfall and afterwards, with C-130s being flown to and fro for emergency assistance in and around the Greater New Orleans metropolitan area)
- During stay, earned a few hours' worth of computer time on the counselors'/camp office's two (could've been three or more, who knows) circa 1997 Dell/Gateway desktops, after both mentioning computers to a counselor one day and knowing how and where to find a pretty decent McMillan paper map
- Louisiana HB 87/Act 848, October 21, 1995 R.S. - Veterans' Civil Service Preference Point
  - +10 = 10-31 (this style of thinking...familiar "motif" when developing BTC)
- President of UBS Bank - 1998
- "Python Pocket Reference" 1st Edition - October/November 1998 (75 pages)

## 1999

- United States Quarter Dollar Program, 1999-2009
  - Massachusetts, January 3, 1999
  - Georgia, July 19, 1999
    - *No Country for Old Men*
    - 1st Ed., July 19, 2005
  - Louisiana, May 20, 2002
    - Brown Pelican (state bird)
      - *Varsity Blues*, January 1999
  - Illinois, January 2, 2003

## 2000

- January, Frequent perusing of LUSENET forum(s) ends; more serious work on coding, computer-related studies begins
- January 27, Sacagawea \$1 Gold Native American Coin - 2000



- September 1, "McCain's Promise"/"Up, Simba!"
  - Although not directly related: PoW → Proof-of-Work; Adam Back's Hashcash, 1998 – Discussed with DFW in 2005

## 2001

- New York, January 2, 2001
  - Ithaca, NY Quarter Dollar
- July 2, BitTorrent released
- AOL Instant Messenger (AIM) screen names:

- brockbug13 (early 2001)
- brockwtc13 (week of 9-11-2001)
  - Only messaged one account: Alexander, "Bug Juice" whose screen-name was verified on Disney's website; long story; more info to be added later)
  - Talked about attacks; almost-rhetorically asked, "Who is going to pay for all those computers they destroyed?"
- Music was a heavy influence during research:
  - *Rumours*, Fleetwood Mac (recorded: February-August 1976; released on February 4 '77 in US, February 11 '77 in the UK)
    - "The Chain," April 1975
    - Only song with writing credits for all band-members
    - Bob Welch (August 31, 1945) left in 1975
  - Nirvana
    - Kurt Cobain, April 5, 1994
    - "Smells Like Teen Spirit" music video, August 17, 1993
      - Date bitcoin.org registered: August 18, 2008
    - *The Fragile*, September 21, 1999
      - Recorded at Nothing Studios, New Orleans, LA
    - *Things Falling Apart* (*The Fragile* remix album), November 21, 2000
      - Nothing Studios, New Orleans, LA
- October 7, Operation Enduring Freedom (OIF) begins
- December 19, *The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* premiers
  - J.R.R. Tolkien, January 3, 1892
  - Another influence on Bitcoin blockchain begin-date (January 3, 2009)

## 2002

- AOL Instant Messenger (AIM) screen name:
  - xtc1372 (early 2002)
  - (1-3-[7 + 2] = 1-3-9 (date blockchain began; nice coincidence?))
- France's Franc currency joins the Euro, January 1, 2002
- *Good Old Neon*, 2002 O. Henry Prize
  - O'Doul's neon sign, which sat atop an a/c unit in room: after reading *Oblivion* (2004), during one conversation in late 2005, since David was a professor and in AA, Brock asked if he'd read former USL professor John Kennedy Toole's *Neon Bible* or *Confederacy of Dunces*; he'd not
    - A fellow film enthusiast, and with *IJ* featuring a substantial filmography in its endnotes, then-current American cinema, such as *Unfaithful* (2002), and avant-garde pieces like van Sant's *Last Days* (2004), 2003's French-American surrealist *Swimming Pool* and its hauntingly-subtle score, were mentioned, some time that year as well; the French apartment-sitting costar whom seduces Diane Lane over a weeks-long period, along with way-out-of-the-way musical pieces such as the African jazz duo Ali Farka Touré and Ry Cooder's "Ai Du," and then ends up homicide-ed by Gere with a snow-globe, surrounded by books in an apartment in NYC that's actually neither of theirs—after all that, it crescendos into a moment of silence and complex dramatic looks at the other across a room, in a home, their home, whilst their young child (Malcolm in the Middle's Erik Per Sullivan) plays the piano... those were just goodnatured honestly wholesome nerd-type conversations; brief detractments from otherwise comparatively brief and scattered once- or thrice- or even four-times-yearly discussions (discourse, really, in the purest sense) across a 3 year time-frame
- After BitTorrent rose in popularity and became the standard amongst online file-sharing sites, "P2P" slowly no longer was part of the quote-unquote zeitgeist, and Usenet-like forums and message boards, including within the comments section(s) and description field(s) on webpages of

of .torrent files themselves, became sort of a burgeoning de facto filmography/pseudo-wiki for anything media related; uploaders (individuals and groups alike) would include detailed formatting info (i.e., kind of media ‘ripped’ from, such as DVD or straight from old VHS/Video-CD discs), film and musical publication and region info (whether, no joke, obtained from a recent screener or pulled from a leaked studio/working version), and more, most times right there in the title of the file (i.e.,

film(year)[subtitle(s)]\_software/media-conversion-tool’s-name(resolution,sound-quality,type).h264  
i.e., magnet://Unfaithful2002(GermanSubs-hardcoded)1080pBluRay-1337x.h264.torrent—but  
more on that later

— December 18, *The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers* premiers

— "Nights in Rodanthe" Sparks, 1st Edition, September 2002

- "Blue Room" (p.76-80)

- "Even the phone was blue" (p.80)

- Brock’s room at the time kind of blue as back cover (paperback) of *Everything and More* [Go to photo \(taken: November 16, 2004\)](#)

— May 31, *The Sum of All Fears*, (*Fate, Time, and Language*-esque, re sea battle and

militaristic/modal-like logic; also mentioned in *Every Love Story Is A Ghost Story* by David Lipsy as one of David’s favorite books; actual book film is based on, published August 14, 1991): bad guy hangs himself with steel chain after setting off nuclear bomb in Baltimore, MD

## 2003

— David’s interview with German TV network

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGLzWdT7vGc>

- August 31, 1989 - German Unification signed → October 2003, *Everything and More*

— March 20, Operation Iraqi Freedom begins, at very interesting time in online-video-game/software design’s history

— October 2, *Half-Life:2* leaks, [October 2nd (Source code), October 7th (unfinished version of game)] — and its resonating importance cannot be stressed enough; at least in terms of how it affected/changed gaming culture almost immediately and in the long run

- Right around same time of Valve Anti Cheat (VAC)'s emergence, the unifying Steam platform

- Russian hacker steals over 80% of game from Valve Software's servers

- Leaks it directly to BitTorrent as a .torrent

- forum discussions of how the physics engine/world of HL2 could display such life-like water/environments were incredibly important events within the online gaming community

- rare but significant chance(s) at direct communication and engagement with game developers, coders and to get their input and perspective

- DDoS attack on IRC channel(s) during early hour(s) of release; leads to early research into DDoS attacks and the like (possible impact/influence/future-easter-egg on last ‘public message’ as Satoshi (re ‘more work to do on DDos’ ?)

- an early version of Condition Zero under the name "cstrike\_trs"



- October 4, *Everything and More: A Compact History of ∞* is published
  - 978-0-393-33928-4
  - Back cover of "Everything and More" - Light Blue, nice coincidence/happenstance (?) with Brock's room at the time



- 200 years after Louisiana Purchase, July 4, 1803

- December 17, *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King* premieres
  - *Lord of the Rings*:
    - March 1, 2931 - Aragorn's birthday
    - 3/1/29/31 → 1-2-9 1&1 ICANN domain email: brockthibodeaux.com
    - 1/14/9 → 1&1 ICANN domain email: dollarmenu.dave.com
    - n+1 (as a method-of-thinking, intra-cryptographically)
  - 1392, 13
    - March 1st + 21 (cap) → (March 22, 2006; Ranger, *Quake III Arena*, YouTube)
    - 3/1 → 31 October 2008 → 2,13 → Room 213, *No Country for Old Men*, 2007)
    - 2931 - 2189.1 = 741.9
    - 2931 / 2189.1 = 1.33890639
    - 2931 - 2192 = 739
- Significant game leaks, influence on coding/timechain design:
  - "Medal of Honor: Allied Assault" (PC), January 22, 2002 (21 days after EURO convert)
  - "S.T.A.L.K.E.R." (pre-Alpha 1096), December 2003
  - HL1PORTS", October 8/9 (HL1 WC Mappack) 2003
  - "Doom 3" (E3, 7-23-2002), November 1, 2002
  - "Counter-Strike: Condition Zero", October 9, 2003
  - "Far Cry" (2002 E3 build), August 4, 2003
  - "Quake III Arena", January 6, 2000 (Mac OS)
    - Mac OS "Gold" (Hybrid Disc CD-ROM), September 26/October 2001

## 2004

- Microsoft email/screen names/accounts:
  - TechNet, smirnoff171@gmail.com (2004-2013)
- August 30, smirnoff171@gmail.com + brockthib@gmail.com created
  - 1971 USD Gold Standard "Nixon Shock"
  - Gmail was still in beta at the time, needed 'invite'
  - had been painting (abstract, paper-to-CS2), Facebook had just started, also by only 'invite'
  - brockthib@gmail.com (August 30, 2004, invited from smirnoff171 account)
  - 3rd sent to brock@brockthib.com address
  - Smirnoff Vodka No. 21 (influence on 21mil cap)
    - cryptoanalytically/semantically - 21mil and Smirnoff have same # of 'spaces/letters'
  - Smirnoff No. 21 → 21,000,000 (21mil BTC cap) [IYI: also interesting that, linguistically, the word "21,000,000" and "blockchain" have the same amount of spaces/letters]
  - One year-ish after reading "EAM," "IJ" - heavy influence on mathematical/coding thinking
  - the symbolic importance of the number '4,' and having been in 4-H, + significance of C/C++ file-format (.h) was important in thinking at time; especially after BitTorrent had quickly and almost altogether completely changed the Peer-to-Peer landscape
- BETA = FFA's complementary organization; very prevalent in Southwestern La. (Neal Stephenson talks about this kind of thing in Intro to "EAM" [Paperback, 2004])
- "Painkiller" (2004) World Championship - fatal1ty (USA) vs. vo0 (RUS) - very interesting juxtaposition, what with fatal1ty being a Texas-born/raised (usually) 1v1 AvP2(10-30-01)/Q3A/CS gamer, with vo0 being mainly Q3A, if I'm remembering correctly
- September 4, Two abstract paintings, created by BAT in order to help "think-through" the idea of a timechain (even though we hadn't even arrived at that name yet); September 4 (4/9 in EUR)
  - September 4, 2004 15:19 PM CST - Two (2) Paintings (Abstract)
  - .xif, .jpeg/.psd file metadata (CS2 2002 .torrent file, software properties at-time-of)
  - BTC-esque symbol can be seen in second painting
  - Bitcoin symbol ("8IIC"/"BIIC")

- One without letters/numbers, one with
  - Why two? Was trying to think/process of how (what in the future would be called) "Blocks" (at least in a post-Python, cryptographic-type sense, thinking-wise) would work: before-and-after
  - Original artwork featured below; right-click on each to view Properties for more info

2004:



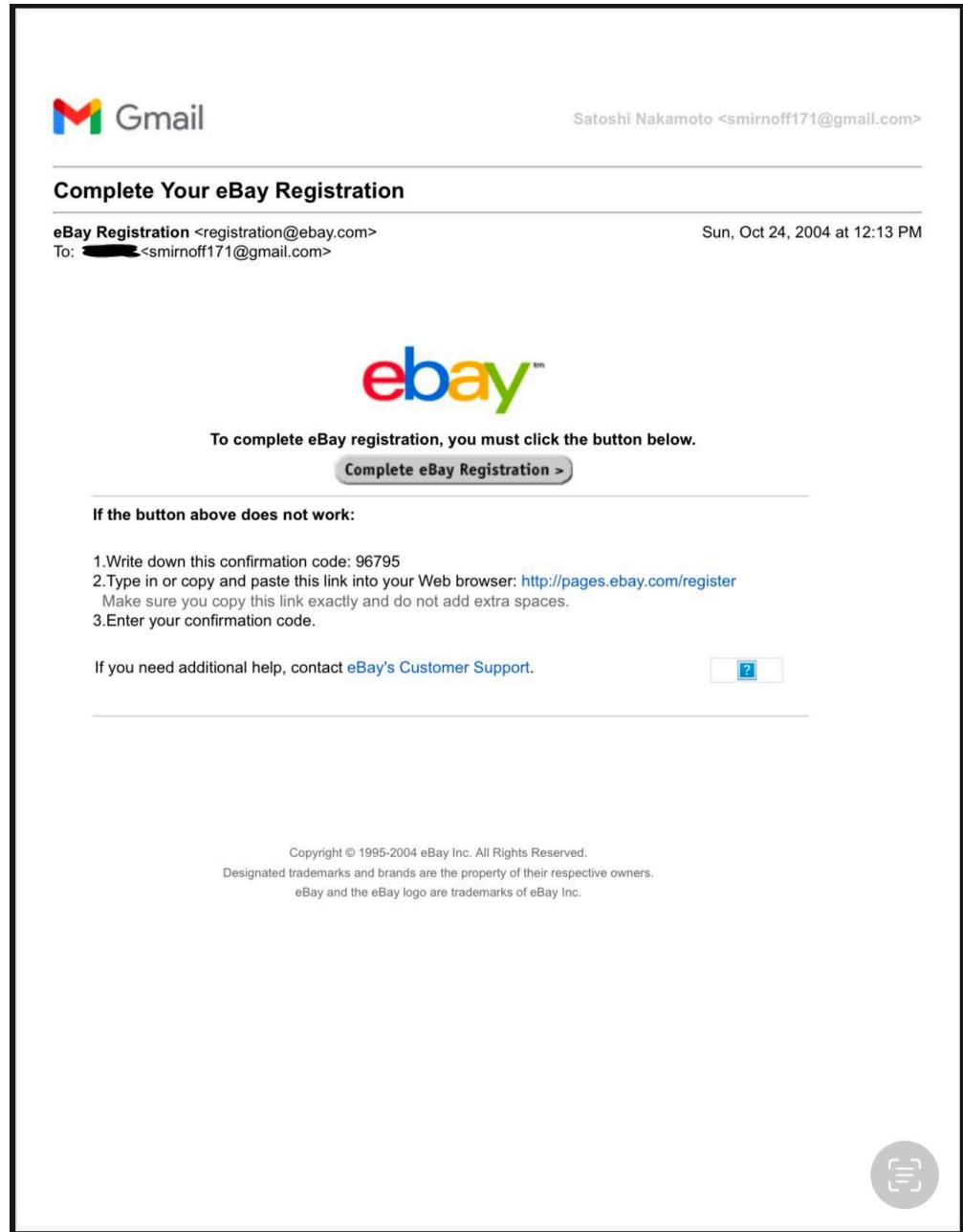
2009:

# Bitcoin Genesis Block

## Raw Hex Version

— October 24-31, eBay, 24K Gold Coin Auction (No Buyers)

- 1 Coin
  - World Wide Web "Auction Block"
  - LUSENET "call-back," re Sacagawea Gold Dollar (1-27-00), Titanicshack two-posts (6-5-98) [601 days between each; 1 year, 7 months, 22 days //excluding end-date//)





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## eBay Listing Confirmed: 24K Gold-Plated Coin set (Item #3937448591)

listingconfirm@ebay.com <listingconfirm@ebay.com>  
To: smirnoff171@gmail.com

Sun, Oct 24, 2004 at 12:57 PM

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Main category:	Coins:Bullion:Gold:Mixed Lots
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Start price:	\$25.00
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Shipping terms:	Buyer pays for all shipping costs.
Ship-To locations:	Will arrange for local pickup only (no shipping).
Shipping costs:	Charge flat shipping cost to my buyers <b>Shipping Cost</b> Services Available
Seller accepted payment methods:	<b>PayPal</b> (smirnoff171@gmail.com); <b>Other Payment Methods:</b> Money order or Cashiers check; <b>Other Credit Card Services:</b> Visa / Mastercard;

Services Available

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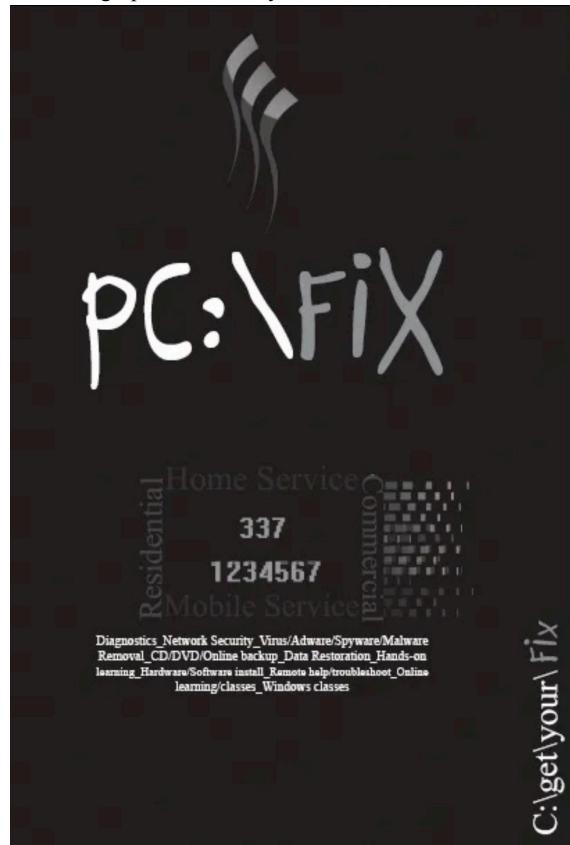
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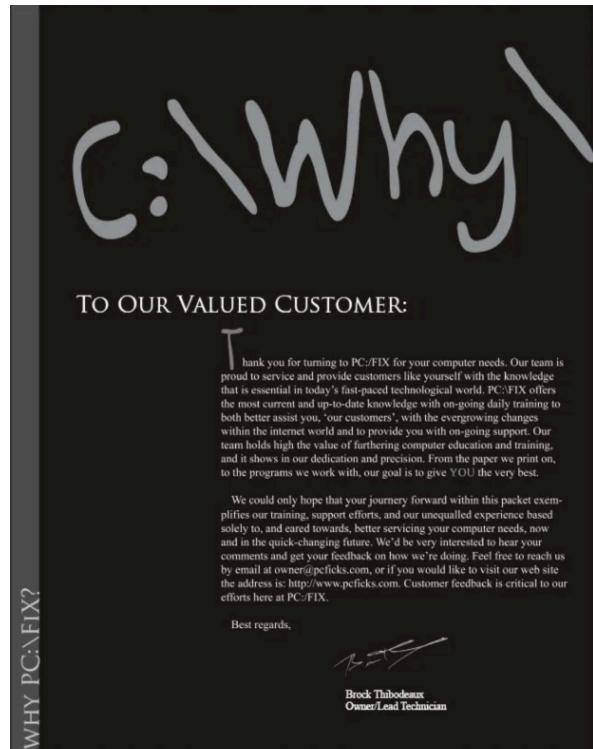
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## 2005

- January, Coding for Bitcoin begins in earnest
- BAT emails DFW, after reading 1st edition of *Everything and More* and *Infinite Jest*, and mentioned he enjoyed his two works, asked if he'd look at something he'd been working on (Bitcoin, unnamed at the time)
- LUS Fiber, Lafayette, LA - 2004 FCC application, 2009 Fiber-to-the-home approved; 1Gbt Up/1 Gbt Down, first in the nation. (One of the ‘use cases’ we every now and then discussed, as a thought-experiment kind of thing, under the name of a fictitious business called PC:/FiX, was discussed in order to attempt to try and figure out a way in which, given households had increased bandwidth, how would that improve or present challenges to something like a decentralized asset, in the future.)
  - “PC:/FiX” working names = Personal Computer, Personal Crypto, Pomona College et al.
  - A running joke was, “Fixing a massive problem, much like a personal computer, without ever even touching it.”
  - LUS Fiber, close resemblance to LUSENET (also, interestingly, its zip code ends in ‘98’)
  - PC:/FiX development document (2004–2009)
    - same no. of letters as the word ‘Bitcoin’
    - “iX” = IX (i.e., 2009)
    - lowercase “i” → DeFi (decentralized finance)
      - Purely coincidental?
  - Created graphics and study materials via a torrented Adobe Photoshop CS2/3

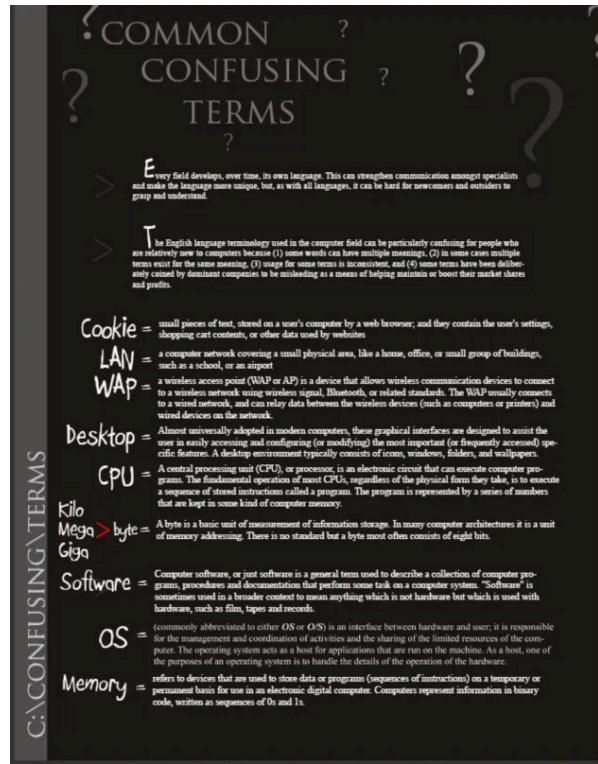




**WHY PC:\FIX?**

**1,000 OF SOLUTIONS.**  
**20 SERVICES.**  
**1 PHONE #.**

**THERE'S ONLY ONE NUMBER YOU  
REALLY NEED TO KNOW.**



**C:\TOP\10\SECURITY\THREATS**

## Top Ten<sup>10</sup> Security Threats

**1** **Spam Mail**  
Spam is generally e-mail advertising for some product sent to a mailing list or newsgroup. It's only purpose is to promote the item with potential purchases. Always be wary of unsolicited e-mails, and never click on unsolicited links.  
**Don't**  
- click on unsolicited links  
- reply to spam  
- forward emails from spammers

**2** **Wireless Attacks**  
Wireless networks are extremely vulnerable to attack at any given time. The average user doesn't have the knowledge or property law has a network that is letting them in with the right knowledge and advanced software to intercept the wireless.  
**Don't**  
- leave network on all the time  
- forget to password-protect your network

**3** **Hacker Attack**  
Computers are the perfect playground for hackers. It is very unlikely that one's individual computer will be attacked unless the chances of being randomly downloaded a virus allowing a hacker access to local network is very, very high.  
**Don't**  
- visit suspicious-looking sites  
- download software from unknown sources  
- allow a stranger to send files to you

**4** **Adware**  
Adware is a form of spyware that collects information about the user in order to display advertisements that are relevant to the user. Will bombard the user with ads from the user's browsing patterns. Adware pays up ads out at the very least, annoying.  
**Don't**  
- visit suspicious-looking sites  
- download software from unknown sources  
- click on any links in any pop-ups  
- forget to turn your anti-virus frequently

**5** **Viruses**  
A computer virus is a computer program that can copy itself and infect a computer without permission or the knowledge of the user. A virus can be very harmful for a computer and sometimes causes it to stop all of its other functions.  
**Don't**  
- download my suspicious files  
- forget to turn your anti-virus frequently

**6** **Spyware/Trojans**  
Spyware can be classified as software that secretly gathers user information through the user's internet connection without the user's knowledge, usually for advertising purposes. Once installed, the spyware monitors and collects private information about the user's habits on the background in someone else. A Trojan Horse is a destructive program that masquerades as a benign application.  
**Don't**  
- download any suspicious files  
- forget to turn your anti-virus frequently

**7** **Identity Theft**  
Identity theft is a crime in which criminals impersonate individuals, for financial gain. Today you often need to reveal personal bits of information about yourself, such as social security number, a credit card number, or a bank account number. If the thief is able to access this personal information, he or she can use it to commit fraud in your name.  
**Don't**  
- keep the source password for more than two weeks  
- forget to turn your anti-virus frequently  
- leave personal information out in the open

**8** **Websit Exploit**  
Lots of websites on the internet and internet browsers can be exploited in such a way to allow hackers/spyware/trojans to collect your personal information. It's important that you keep Automatic Updates on so the your system can be patched as it becomes necessary.  
**Don't**  
- enter any information into a website that's not secure  
- use an internet browser that's not up-to-date

**9** **Phishing**  
A website that falsely claims to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into divulging sensitive information, such as passwords and credit card numbers. The user is asked to log in to the site where they are asked to update personal information that the legitimate organization already has. The Web site, however, is forged and set up only to steal the user's information.  
**Don't**  
- use an internet browser that's not up-to-date

**10** **Not Using Common Sense**  
It takes common sense to have a safe and secure experience on a computer. If anything at all looks suspicious don't forget to REALLY LOOK at what's going on or call it with a question. Remember, computers and technology are progressing every single day, and with that comes new and improved ways to work. What worked yesterday is a way to cover security issues could possibly NOT work tomorrow.

**COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY ARE PROGRESSING EVERY SINGLE DAY, AND WITH THAT COMES NEW AND IMPROVED SECURITY THREATS.**

- February, Work on Bitcoin white paper begins
    - The format/design is somewhat inspired by, amongst others, the paperback version's cover of *Everything and More: A Compact History of ∞*
    - West Convent Street, former home of John Kennedy Toole, author of *A Confederacy of Dunces* and English professor at University of Southwestern Louisiana, now the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, eventually meets the offices of LCG (Lafayette Consolidated Government), which operates LUS Fiber, the municipal-ran and -owned fiber-to-the-home service which was one of the academic focuses of Brock and David's early Bitcoin use-case, with the fictitious 'IT Service' company, PC:/FiX, used as a way to think-through the possible scenarios/technical routes of achieving a truly decentralized architecture, ran on independent, consensus-driven hardware, spread-out across a large geographical area and ideally the complete opposite of a centralized set-up, like the then-current and what-was-to-be web1/2.
    - March, Greenspun's original LUSENET server, running a version of Oracle, crashes
    - April, Brock places 9th in state High School State Javascript competition, Louisiana Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Southern Region
  - *No Country for Old Men*
    - 2005 novel
    - July 19, 2005
  - August 23-31, Hurricane Katrina (Category 5)
    - Winds: 175mph, as of 10am, Sunday August 28
    - Damages: \$125B
    - Structural impact:
      - Disaster area: 90,000 sq. miles
      - 53 levee breaks, metro New Orleans
      - 80% of New Orleans flooded
      - 234,000 internally displaced
      - 100,000+ to surrounding area(s)
      - Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport, re-opens September 13
        - First flight in: Northwest Airlines
  - 1&1, 1988-Present (now IONOS)
    - brockth1b.com
      - Registered: October 2005
      - Created within Microsoft PowerPoint 2003, exported as .html
      - Orange background
  - *Consider the Lobster* published, December 13, 2005
    - ("Big Red Son," 1998, first in the collection, is a nice one just-because, regardless of the completely-happenstance, bountiful Kutcher-puns/humor; only further proves life's weirdness sometimes. 2000's *Big Daddy* and one of its many co-counsel's Pig Latin plea for tomato-condiment-conservation springs to mind—"ixnay on the ketchupnay"—, what with old Ketchum, Idaho's column-five-member and polysyndetonizer-extraordinaire, Mr. Ernest, one-time face of Mont Blanc fountain pen's fancy magazine ad campaign, and on-record as entering Earth in the year 1899 A.D.; then leaving promptly within the fever-dream haze that was his own personal July of '61. On its second day, no-less. Just two (2) days prior to: 4 July. Also interestingly enough almost exactly ten (10) years, give or take, of sunny late summer '71's authorized-by-Nixon's-pen-itself cancellation of the dollar's convertibility into gold.
- Backtracking a tad:
- February 1, 1954, South Vietnam; U.S. begins aide (mostly monetarily)
  - 1958, French Chancellor begins disastrous monetary policies
  - 1969, French now-President resigns
  - May 1971, Germany refuses any further Deutsche Mark-for-Dollar buying; leaves Bretton Woods
  - July's notable gold conversions (in millions):
    - France, \$191

- Switzerland, \$50
- August 5, Congress suggests devaluing Dollar, somehow this would begin stabilization
- August 13, Federal Reserve chairman Burns, incoming Treasury Secretary Connally, then-Undersecretary for International Monetary Affairs and future Federal Reserve Chairman Volcker, along with twelve (12) other high-ranking White House and Treasury advisors, meet with Nixon at Camp David.
- August 15, Executive Order 11615
  - April 5, 1933's E.O. 6102 essentially stymied, muddied
    - For instance: what becomes of the wheat penny, then, a Federally-issued coin, when time comes for clarification on whether it classifies as half-commodity-half-currency, or as 'agriculturally-backed futures-Treasury-securities-bonds (land-type or fiat-based, or maybe even retroactively-convertible-to-imminent-domain-like-public-property-rights (given some pre-1776 institution's accepting of certain amounts of earthly materials for education, room, board [see: Harvard], et cetera et al ad infinitum)
      - Not to mention what would/will become of the State of Louisiana's unique situation, to put it plainly. Nowhere else is an entire half plus more of a burgeoning Nation's land-mass' on-paper definition and meaning and status still up-in-the-air, legally and Constitutionally-speaking (—meaning both State, Federal *and* Tribally; maybe even also internationally-speaking, too, what with the Mississippi River, a major waterway right in the middle of the USA, bearing a lone state's name and but also simultaneously part of all of the Earth's bodies-of-water and their commerce/transportation. And of America's misunderstanding, respectively of-course, of neither the Louisiana people or any of or anyone within or representing themselves to be from France, to have broached no discussion on the idea of renaming the glaringly-obvious, world-facing portmanteau of 'Louisiana' as a word in and of itself. Was Louis XIII to have been, sans Napolean (*always*, sans the heir-to-none mentioned afore)—was it all really that bad, or just a jovial-reverse-kind-of playful-ribbing: the State's (La., that is; LA as well we guess) motto is after all in, quote, Louisiana French. No end-quote—
        - ...<sup>cross-sign</sup> A rhetorical—

thought, not even remotely register as bereft of impact, doubling as both economic statement and vaguely Libertarian-like colloquial comment(s) on modern-day esprit-des-corps, or whatever it's supposed to mean to the rightful heirs of whatever happens when the Statue of Liberty's, France's gift to America, is one day perhaps soon considered not so foreign to the Acadians and their settling.

Louisianians' love for country remains steadfast, of course.

END 2k5-esque MINI INTERPOLATION

- Nixon: "Temporary suspension" of the gold standard, "with exceptions" /71
- December, G-10's currencies allowed 2.25% fluctuation vs. USD (trading bands), native currency appreciation against USD agreed by all
- Japan central bank soon afterward forced to intervene significantly in the foreign exchange market, in order to prevent the yen from increasing in value. Within two days, August 16–17, central bank buys \$1.3B to support dollar and keep yen at old rate of ¥360 (to-dollar). Japan's foreign exchange reserves rapidly increase: \$2.7B (30%) a week later, \$4B week thereafter.
- October 12, 1987
- "New Perspectives on HTML and XHTML - Comprehensive" - 2005, Patrick Cary, et al.

## 2006

- March-ish? Brock joined Facebook with early-admission email from louisiana.edu (University of Louisiana at Lafayette)
- John Traine Humor Prize, Paris Review, 1988, "Little Expressionless Animals"
  - Joked about having the word 'train' as a last name, plus with an 'e' at the end; like a fancy *Sunset Limited* (2006, Cormac McCarthy) or something
  - Interestingly, the *Sunset Limited* 1, the Amtrak train which inspired Cormac's 2006 dramatic novel's title, runs straight from California all the way to the Eastern Seaboard, passing right through Lafayette, Louisiana and then New Orleans, running two or three times a week, depending
  - 'Traine,' linguistically, looks somewhat like Trane, the American air-conditioning company (their motto: "You can't stop a Trane")
- March 22, *Bitcoin Research*. video, posted on YouTube (<https://youtube.com/@realsatoshiakamoto>) (channel and video was private until December 2024)
  - Length: 0:14
  - Size: 701 kilobytes, 0.68 megabytes (0.6845703125mb in binary)
  - Resolution: 320x240
  - Frames per second: 29.97
  - Same date as:
    - Microsoft announces Windows Vista delayed till at-least January 2007
    - Pentium-branded x86 i586 superscalar Processor introduced, March 22, 1993
      - Work had begun in 1989
  - Stamp Act, March 22, 1765
  - NASA's STS-3's third mission, March 22, 1982
  - The Beatles' *Please Please Me*, March 22, 1963
    - Recorded: September 11, 1962 - February 20, 1963 (1 day before DFW's birth day)
  - Massachusetts Bay Colony outlaws possession of card, dice and gambling tables, March 22, 1631
- Brock foregoes academic scholarship, enlists, U.S. Army, May 2006 (25B (Information Technology Specialist), w/ Option 40)
- GoDaddy, Testing/Research Domains (HTML, XHTML, Ajax, C/C++/Objective C, Python, etc)

- computerservices.net, July 19, 2006 (1 year)
  - Order total: \$53.08
  - Nice coincidence: “The Service” reference, re *The Pale King* (1997-2011)
- computerservicesofla.com, July 21, 2006 (1 year)
  - Order total: \$9.20
  - Automatically renewed: July 23, 2007
- pcfixla.com, July 6, 2006 (1 year)
  - Order total: \$10.19
  - Hosting, monthly: July 6, 2006
  - Expired August 2011
  - [http://web.archive.org/web/2024000000000\\*/pcfixla.com](http://web.archive.org/web/2024000000000*/pcfixla.com)
- Mac/PC advertising campaign, 2006-2009
  - Justin Long, John Hodgman
  - 2006, 2006 Apple Keynote addresses
  - 2008 MacWorld Expo (January 14-18)
    - Time Capsule introduced
    - Released: February 29, 2008
  - June 5, 2009 WWDC
  - *Accepted*, August 18, 2006
    - Same date as bitcoin.org domain registration, two (2) years later
- September 26, *The Road* (1st Edition, Paperback)
  - October chosen as month (October 31, 2008) [amongst many other influences/references]
    - page 61 - "He thought the month was October but he wasn't sure."
- October 25, flickr album (BrockThib) uploaded, has “satoshi,” “Bitcoin” references (was private album until December 2024)
  - <https://flic.kr/p/qD18M>
  - <https://flic.kr/p/qDs0G>

## 2007

- January, Coding for Bitcoin continues from previous year
- January 17, Microsoft announces Windows Anytime Upgrade, Marketplace
- January 18, 1&1, brockthibdeaux.com domain purchased



1&1 Internet Inc.  
701 Lee Road  
Suite 300  
Chesterbrook, PA 19087  
USA

Brock Thibodeaux  
[REDACTED]  
Lafayette, LA 70501  
USA

Invoice Date : 01/25/2007  
Customer ID : 14019430  
Contract ID : 13208424  
Invoice No. : 352387469

Customer Service  
E-Mail: [billing@1and1.com](mailto:billing@1and1.com)  
<http://www.1and1.com>

### Invoice Summary (1&1 Developer Package)

Billing period starting: 01/18/2007

Item No.	Service	Charges	Usage	Total
1 2389	Basic Fee 01/18/2007-04/18/2007 brockthibodeaux.com s194036178.onlinehome.us	\$ 19.99 a month	3	\$ 59.97
2 2396	Service Set-up Fee	\$ 0.00 per piece	1	\$ 0.00
3 4434	Special Offer Discount for line-item 1	Special Offer 50% off	1	\$ -29.98

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Total amount due **\$ 29.99**

The total amount due will be charged to your credit card. Thank you.

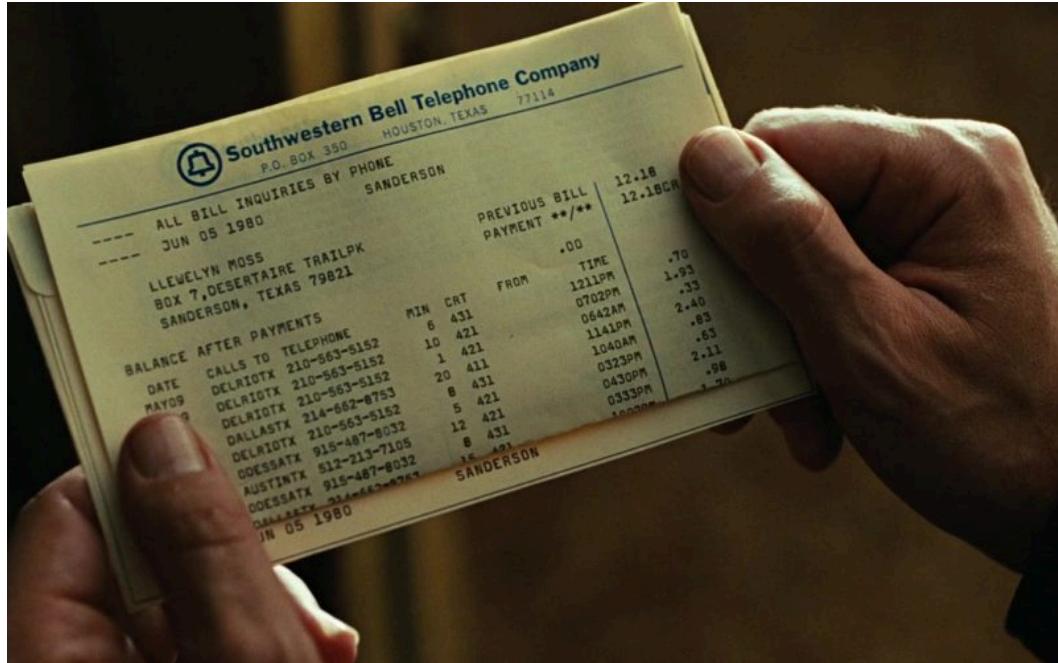
1&1 Internet Inc. - Citibank, N.A. - Account #: 54348256 - ABA #: 021000089 - Swift code: CITIUS33

- January 24, "Good People" published in *The New Yorker*
- *Deciderization 2007*, Intro to *Best American Essays 2007* (DFW)
- February, GWOT. Fort Benning, Georgia. 75th Ranger Regiment. Brock is a modern U.S. Army Ranger (also, interchangeably, 'Special Operator,' 'member of the Special Operations community,' 'JSOC element,' et al). Recently passing RIP (Ranger Indoctrination Program), serving in the 75th Ranger Regiment means joining the only Army unit continuously deployed since the day after September 11th. As an Information Technology Specialist, Rangers with a 'support MOS' (generally Medics, Paralegals, Cooks, Accountants and the like) were and continue to be in extremely high demand.
- April 19, 1&1 Internet, ICANN
  - Bitcoin coding

- Registered:
  - brockthibodeaux.com
  - dollarmenudave.com
  - myspacepartdeux.com
  - brockusmaximus.com

— One film, *No Country for Old Men*, and its related media were almost an even more direct influence:

- 2007 film
- May 19, 2007 Cannes
- November 19, 2007 US
- Box office: \$171 million (nice coincidence → smirnoff171@gmail address)
- Room 138, 139 at The Regal Motor Inn
  - Influence on 1-3-9
- "No Country for Old Men" (2007 film adaptation)
- 1958 Quarter Dollar, gas station (\$0.21 on register) → 21m cap
  - Carla-Jean works at Wal-Mart
    - Brock buys first Motorola Razr, at a Walmart, in mid-2005, cash (USD) (Opelousas, LA) [nice coincidence]
  - Literary motif: Remington 11-87 (w/ silencer) ("Broom of the System" publication year, 1987)
- Phone bill featured in scene with Anton Chigurh, same date as LUSENET (June 5, 1998) posts (nice coincidence):



— November, [baf9719@louisiana.edu](mailto:baf9719@louisiana.edu) account (from 2006) issued new password at 10:06:32 Central Standard Time (CST); had to email Registrar to inform was out-of-state, serving since June of '06; was incorrectly listed as full-time student but not attending classes

## 2008

- August 1-16, Russia-Georgia War
- August 31, Brock turns 20
- September, economy losing more than (estimated) \$750,000(B/M) a week
  - Corporate Collapse Index:

- Five financial “bombs”; \$200B in public aid at first
  - Fannie May
  - Bank of America
  - Freddie Mac
  - AIG (rescued three times in four months)
  - Citi Group
- All U.S. banks un-nationalized by 2010
- Late 2008/Early 2009
  - This around the time of heavy, *heavy* botnetweb activity; and what would be called the complete antithesis to cryptographically-secure, ethically-focused, publicly-readable decentralized architecture was rearing its ugly head
    - Botnetweb activity, arguably, gained popularity around early 2004 to late 2005, just around the time when BitTorrent was becoming popular and more updated
- September 12, David’s death (46 at the time)
- September 15, 2008 Financial Crisis begins
  - Lehman Brothers ‘falls’
- "Mac OS X Support Essentials, Second Edition" 2007/8 Kevin M. White
- October 31, Bitcoin whitepaper is published
  - <https://www.metzdowd.com/pipermail/cryptography/2008-October/014810.html>
  - Bitcoin: A Peer-to-Peer Electronic Cash System
    - Nice linguistic note/fun-factoid: *The Broom of the System* (1987) [published January 6, 1987; 225 days or 7 months 13 days before the 1987 Stock Market crash “Black Monday” on October 19, 1987]
  - 10-31-1929 (Black Friday, Great Depression)

## 2009

- January, \$750B is included in the U.S. budget for additional TARP funds
- First iteration of the BTC logo is introduced by Satoshi (see: Brock)



- 1-2-2009 1&1 e-mail, (Blockchain-related "meta-data/info")
  - brockthibodeaux.com [Go to page](#)
- 1-3-2009 Bitcoin Blockchain begins



The original logo in an early version of the Bitcoin client.

- Genesis Block is mined
  - London Times article re “Chancellor bailing out banks,” re the then-exponentially-mounting 2008/9 Housing Crisis/Great Recession is included, as a method of one-time timestamping, since no block exist(s) before it
  - Interestingly, a “Banksy”-esque post-conversion textual-happenstance-like viz. is seen near the bottom-right-hand-corner of the Raw Hex Version of the block, along with what looks like the word(s)
    - “second bailout for banksÿÿ..”
  - Transaction hash:  
4a5e1e4baab89f3a32518a88c31bc87f618f76673e2cc77ab2127b7afdeda33b
    - Hash  
4a5e-a33b
    - Time  
03 Jan 2009 10:15:05
    - Size  
204 bytes
  - Sent to BTC address: 1A1zP1eP5QGefi2DMPTfTL5SLmv7DivfNa
  - 1-3-2009 - many different references and influences, including but not limited to:
    - 13 U.S. Colonies
    - Louisiana State Flag (1 pelican above 3 in nest; 3 droplets of blood); Acadian Flag (1 golden star within isosceles triangle, 3 fleurs-de-lis in blue field atop a golden castle in field of red just beneath it, representing the Acadians’ French, Spanish and early American heritage)
    - 1812 (La. (stylistically as of 1831-1963), LA [post-June 1963]), 1886 (WA, intra-textually, w/ “Westward the Course of Empire Makes Its Way,” Post-post-structurally-speaking, + from Post-post-Modernism’s late 80s-to-early 2000s’ [broadly-speaking-academically-again-here], geographically and within CONUS’ loosely-defined, 2D-natured viz. Of its literarily-esque-defined quote-unquote borders, since Washington State would be one’s natural starting point, Top-Left-Corner wise [W-M-C-F: WA→ME in the West to East’s mindseye’s line-sight; CA → Fla. re Southwest to Southeast][—at least in, for instance, strictly Tolkien-esque view; in which multiple inferences and argument(s) could be made, including and even some would naturally first say and that right in a purely non-puristically-hearted-sense, //philologically-hardlined-kept-in-mind-here here//, beginning in many ways with David’s 1985 baccalaureate undergraduate thesis, *Fate, Time, and Language: An Essay on Free Will*, a modale-focused

argument in reply and directly against British author Richard Taylor's main argument, in which humans had no control over the future), with David altogether (as is very evident throughout) considering Taylor's argument an outright failure even on the face of it, et al. (con't: → see: next

- Note on this type of *intra-textual* notation: Two infinity symbols,  $\infty\infty$ , aligned in middle, then rotated 90° counter- and clockwise, respectively, thus then = 88

- 1C1-wise, this can be easily thought-of-as/used as an intra-textual short-hand, so to speak, for cryptographic-thinking in the (what-would-be eventually ₿ notation, viz.-speaking, of course...see:  
- '1 to '6 (i.e., in a modale sense: → four years; 4 leaves of a clover;  
enough time to work, compute<sup>†</sup>)

† see:

<https://youtu.be/GopJ1x7vK2O?si=0oVTKXVW6I8e9Ax7>

- 6 → 1 (2003, Richard Taylor deceased)

- "Watchmen" (1984)

- Room 138/139, "No Country for Old Men" (Regal Motor Hotel)

- *The Pale King*, David Foster Wallace

- §13 "footnote 34: "The dragon-image always guards some priceless thing..."

- *The Hobbit/Lord of the Rings*-esque

- Tolkien's Middle Earth, *Beowulf* translation

- Circa 2005/6 ₿ development document, re fictionalized fiber-to-home/r&d company, PC:/FiX:

— 1-9-2009

- Bitcoin 0.1 is released Satoshi Nakamoto, with only Windows supported. This was followed by some minor bug-fixing versions. On December 16, 2009, Bitcoin 0.2 was released. It includes a Linux version for the first time and also makes use of multi-core processors for mining.

January 2-10, From BAT's BTC notational/technical notes + documents, cryptographic background/easter-egg, influence(s) info; methodological supplemental(s)

- &#09; (Tab) - 2009 Blockchain begins, "digital open ledger" | digital laissez-faire
- 90#&; (Bat)
- (lower) &#98; = b
- (upper) &#66; = B
- &#49 = 1 {x2=} 11 = BTC symbol (?)
- &#88=1(Letter L) BTC symbol (?) (88)(66)
- SS symbol = &#167; (&sect;)
- &#139; = < (left single angle)
- &#62; = >
- &#169; = encircled C, copyright symbol (?)
- <b>

— 1-10-2009

- First Bitcoin transferred

- Brock (Satoshi) sends 10 BTC to Hal

— 1-11-2009

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- Note: 1&1 was chosen for unique meaning of name, (meaning, aka “One-to-One Correspondence”); also due to its relation to GMX (webmail host for original Satoshi email address [satoshin@gmx.com])
- 1&1C (One-to-One Correspondence) [from *Everything and More: A Compact History of Infinity*]

## 2010

- GMX, Forums posts/messages: mentioned living “in Japan” (*I.J.-esque*; not meant as whimsical, just part of general pseudonym characteristic)
- February 24, First redesign of the Bitcoin logo (<https://web.archive.org/web/20130524055823/https://bitcointalk.org/index.php?topic=64.0>):



- November 1, Second Redesign of Bitcoin logo, by Bitboy (<https://web.archive.org/web/20130525203057/https://bitcointalk.org/index.php?topic=1631.0;all>):



- Interestingly, in 2010, Bitboy admitted that he had drawn inspiration from the Visa and Mastercard logo designs: “The irony is as much as I hate Mastercard and Visa, it is all about perception when it comes to consumer confidence and behavior.”
- December 12, Brock sends last ‘public message’ as Satoshi Nakamoto
  - “There’s more work to do on DDoS.”

## 2011

- April 23, Brock sends ‘last private message’ as Satoshi
  - “I’ve moved on to other things. It’s in good hands with Gavin and everyone.”
- August 27, Brock begins Undergraduate baccalaureate Creative Writing thesis, *Sorry All Over the Place* (Unfinished, 1,700+ pages, including 100+ page “Running Notes” section, which provides illuminatory/explanatory notes), with a working-title inspired by a film featured in *Infinite Jest* [2006, 10th Anniversary Edition, p. 797, Notes and Errata]
  - As of 2017, unfinished (not meant to be, most likely...)
  - Would go on to graduate in December 2013 with a Bachelor of Arts, English (No Concentration), with a Minor in Business [no academic-like, easter-egg-ish pun intended; hence the ‘miner’ word’s close resemblance to actual Bitcoin mining – which had been]

## 2012

- January 14, Brock begins work at Student Technology Enhancement (STEP) Lab, Edith Garland Dupre Library, University of Louisiana at Lafayette
- November 28, first Bitcoin halving
  - BTC priced at \$12.12
  - Block reward goes from 50 to 25 BTC

## Supplemental Info, Documents

- 1690 - world's first paper fiat? Massachusetts Colony/Colonial 'paper fiat currency' → 09|61 = 2009 | 1961
- +1337-xxx-xxx → (Louisiana area code)
- WWDC 1998 | SATC 1998 (6-5-1998)
- Unicode Standard - "Old Italian"
  - eBay plain-text catcher-grabber type situation... watermarks/PhotoBucket/image-/file-hosting security + cyber-hygiene..."
- Tibault (where Thibodeaux heils from)
  - BIT|AULT (in middle-out-mirrored stylization)
  - BITCOIN
  - Bit A-UL-T
- satoshin@gmx.com
  - all of correspondence, emails
- "Fate, Time, and Language" David Foster Wallace, 1985 Amherst
- ROC (Stratolaunch)
- April 6, 2017 (one day after April 5th, Satoshi's "birthday"), began Appalachian Trail Section Hike; completed May 7, 2018 (along with a 2016 Thru-hike [12/26/15 - 5/31/16], pre-2016-halving)
- "The (As It Were) Seminal Importance of Terminator 2" 1998, David Foster Wallace, Waterstone's Magazine
- "Remarks Concerning the Savages of North America" 1784, Benjamin Franklin
- "Fate, Time, and Language" 1985, David Foster Wallace
- JTC1 (1987) - C and C++ Standardization, guidelines
- Other than cypherpunk forum(s):
  - asimov.quakeserver.net (2015-16)
  - smirnoff #cyberpunk
  - HydraIRC

1. January 2, 2009 - 1&1 brockthibodeaux.com

 Gmail      Satoshi Nakamoto <[smirnoff171@gmail.com](mailto:smirnoff171@gmail.com)>

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**Please Review Whois data for your 1&1 Domain**

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**1&1 Information Service** <[noreply@1and1.com](mailto:noreply@1and1.com)>      Fri, Jan 2, 2009 at 17:07  
To: <[smirnoff171@gmail.com](mailto:smirnoff171@gmail.com)>

Dear Brock Thibodeaux,

You are currently listed as the administrative contact (Admin-C) for one or more domains registered by 1&1.

In accordance with ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers) regulations, we kindly ask that you check the current contact data, as it appears in the Whois directory, for accuracy.

The purpose of the generic top-level domain (gTLD) Whois service is to provide contact information that is sufficient for contacting a responsible party for a particular gTLD domain name who can resolve, or reliably pass on data to a party who can resolve, issues related to the configuration of the records associated with the domain name within a DNS nameserver.

Please click here to view your WHOIS data for your domain(s):

Domain: [brockthibodeaux.com](http://brockthibodeaux.com)  
URL : <https://registrar.1and1.info/wdrp/epc6wpb6>

If the data is correct, no further steps on your part are necessary.

If you do need to update your information, you can do so in the 1&1 Control Panel as follows:

1. Login to your Control Panel at <https://admin.1and1.com>
2. Click on "Domains"
3. Under "Contact" in the domain toolbar click on "Edit All Contact Details"

(Under ICANN rules and the terms of your registration agreement, providing false contact information can be grounds for domain name cancellation.)

To find out more about our current domain offers and the many great domain features, please visit our website  
<http://order.1and1.com/xml/order/Instant>

Thank you for choosing 1&1 as your domain provider.

Sincerely,

1&1 Internet Inc.  
[1and1.com](http://1and1.com)

2. January 11, 2009 - brockusmaximus.com

 Gmail      Satoshi Nakamoto <smirnoff171@gmail.com>

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**Please Review Whois data for your 1&1 Domain**

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**1&1 Information Service** <noreply@1and1.com>  
To: <smirnoff171@gmail.com>      Sun, Jan 11, 2009 at 17:08

Dear Brock Thibodeaux,

You are currently listed as the administrative contact (Admin-C) for one or more domains registered by 1&1.

In accordance with ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers) regulations, we kindly ask that you check the current contact data, as it appears in the Whois directory, for accuracy.

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Please click here to view your WHOIS data for your domain(s):  
<https://registrar.1and1.info/wdrp/e78wwur0>

If the data is correct, no further steps on your part are necessary.

If you do need to update your information, you can do so in the 1&1 Control Panel as follows:

1. Login to your Control Panel at <https://admin.1and1.com>
2. Click on "Domains"
3. Under "Contact" in the domain toolbar click on "Edit All Contact Details"

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Sincerely,

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[1and1.com](http://1and1.com)

3. January 14, 2009 - dollarmenudave.com

 Gmail      Satoshi Nakamoto <smirnoff171@gmail.com>

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**Please Review Whois data for your 1&1 Domain**

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**1&1 Information Service** <noreply@1and1.com>  
To: <smirnoff171@gmail.com>      Wed, Jan 14, 2009 at 16:54

Dear Brock Thibodeaux,

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Please click here to view your WHOIS data for your domain(s):

Domain: [dollarmenudave.com](http://www.dollarmenudave.com)  
URL : <https://registrar.1and1.info/wdrp/eso1hl82>

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4. January 17, 2009 - myspacedeux.com

 Gmail      Satoshi Nakamoto <smirnoff171@gmail.com>

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**Please Review Whois data for your 1&1 Domain**

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**1&1 Information Service** <noreply@1and1.com>  
To: <smirnoff171@gmail.com>      Sat, Jan 17, 2009 at 17:07

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Please click here to view your WHOIS data for your domain(s):

Domain: [myspacedeux.com](http://myspacedeux.com)  
URL : <https://registrar.1and1.info/wdrp/eoce740f>

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