# RICHARD S. ZHU

rszhu@berkeley.edu 858-371-8838 Berkeley, CA



# **EDUCATION** University of California, Berkeley

**GPA** 3.90

**B.A.** Computer Science

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures, Structure of Computer Programs, Linear Algebra & Circuits

## **EXPERIENCE** California PATH (Partners for Advanced Transportation Technology)

Berkeley, CA

Research Assistant

Oct. 2019 — Present

- Helped evaluate potential safety impacts of the Caltrans-proposed "Yellow Alert" highway message system by automating portions of the data collection and analysis process
- Synced positional, sensor, and behavioral data collected from driving simulation experiments
- Wrote Python scripts to extract key points from trial data sets, utilizing Python statistics libraries
- Worked with thousands of data points from over 40 unique driver trials

# **Gateways Summer School**

San Diego, CA

Teaching Assistant

Jul. 2018 — Aug. 2018

- Aided Architecture & Engineering teacher with giving lessons and explaining provided examples
- Guided 30 students on their projects and supervised them during break, learning, and work times

### **Investment Portfolio Diversity Visualizer (Python) PROJECTS**

- Won the BlackRock API Prize at Cal Hacks 6.0, the largest collegiate hackathon in the world
- Built a tool that helps users gain insight into the diversity of an investment portfolio in relation to any applicable security data attribute (e.g., sector, asset type, or country)
- Leveraged BlackRock's API to compile, sort, and categorize security data from a set of stock tickers
- Integrated MatPlotLib to visualize calculated diversity data and to create a GUI for portfolio input

# **Bomberman Remastered (Java)**

- · Created an improved remake of the game Bomberman that runs on modern operating systems
- Devised a completely new and original "competitive mode", featuring dynamic multiplayer gameplay
- Utilized the Java Swing toolkit to design game menus, handle controls, and execute game events
- Played extensively by peers and voted in the top 3 when presented at a school project fair

## Personal Website (HTML, CSS, JavaScript)

- Designed and built a personal website from scratch, utilizing the Bootstrap front end framework
- Incorporated jQuery for site animations and the Google Fonts API for global typeface compatibility
- Hosted page files remotely on UC Berkeley Open Computing Facility servers, via SSH File Transfer

## Scheme Language Interpreter (Python)

- Constructed an interpreter for the Scheme functional programming language (a dialect of Lisp)
- · Ensured correct evaluation procedures for exceptions, macros, and short-circuiting special forms
- Optimized memory by implementing tail recursion, environments, and lexical/dynamic scoping

#### **Catalyst for Success ACTIVITIES**

San Diego, CA

Treasurer, Senior Technology Mentor

Sep. 2017 — Aug. 2019

- Taught programming and circuitry at the library to over 200 students (Python, Javascript, Arduino)
- Worked with library officials to organize regular weekly workshops and week-long summer camps

#### **AWARDS** Winner, CalHacks 6.0 BlackRock API Prize

Oct. 2019 Apr. 2019

Computer Science Scholar, Intuit Scholarship Program Computer Science Scholar, Intuit George A. Hansen Program Champion, Southern California Developmental Soccer League Div. 1

Apr. 2019 Dec. 2018

Languages: Python, Java, SQL, HTML/CSS, JavaScript

Frameworks/Technologies: Git, Unix, Bootstrap, NumPy, MATLAB

**SKILLS**