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## EDUCATION

**University of California - Berkeley, CA**

Computer Science B.A.

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GPA: 3.98/4.00

Relevant Coursework: **CS170**: Algorithms **CS161**: Computer security **CS162**: Operating Systems **CS189**: Machine learning **CS188**: Artificial Intelligence **Math 113**: Abstract Algebra **DATA100**: Data Science **CS61B**: Data Structures **CS61C**: Machine Structures **CS70**: Discrete Mathematics and Probability Theory **CS61A**

## SKILLS

**Coding Experience:** Proficient: Python, Rust, Java, C. Familiar: Go, JavaScript, C++

**Skills:** common data structures and algorithms, cryptography (common symmetric/public key encryption algorithm, interactive proofs, etc.), basic web skills (React, Go), data analysis (classic regression & classification methods)

## HIGHLIGHTED PROJECTS & EXPERIENCE

### Summer Internship

Summer 2021

*Arista Networks, Santa Clara, CA*

- Internship in progress: develop cluster-based control web backend for network switches.
- Deploy go code over containerized services in remote clusters.

### CIFAR-10 Image Classification

Spring 2021

*Course Project: CS189: Introduction to Machine Learning*

- Implemented forward and backprop for fully connected layers, ReLU layers, softmax, and CNN layers in numpy. Then switched to pytorch and implemented and training ResNet-18 for CIFAR-10.
- Achieved **rank 8** over 421 students on public leaderboard. (Accuracy = 0.924)

### End-to-End Encrypted File Sharing System

Spring 2020

*Course Project: CS 161: Computer Security – UC Berkeley*

- Developed a secure file storage/sharing system that uses untrusted data server.
- Use symmetric encryption with PKCS5 padding and message authentication code to ensure confidentiality and integrity of user's file even if attacker has whole access to the data server. Encryption method is IND-CPA secure.
- Derive user's private key from password, using salting and slow hash functions to prevent dictionary attack.
- User can share file and revoke access to another user in constant time (regardless of the size of file)
- Use digital certificates to ensure authenticity (access tokens sent by users are signed)
- Our team is one of ten teams (out of  $\geq 100$  teams in spring semester) whose final submission survived all hidden attacks.

### An Approximation Algorithm for an NP-Hard Problem

Spring 2020

*Course Project: CS 170: Algorithms – UC Berkeley (<https://github.com/tsunrise/cs170-proj>)*

- Given a positive weighted, connected, undirected graph, estimate a connected dominating set that minimizes the average pairwise distance between nodes. This model helps telecommunication companies to build cell tower and cables at low cost.
- Our final submission ranked 5<sup>th</sup> among 309 teams.
- Algorithm uses randomized decisions and heuristics to reach local minimum in few iterations.
- Program uses artificial bee colony algorithm and multiprocessing to speed up computation.

## RESEARCH & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

### Research Intern

Starting from

Cryptography and ZK-SNARKS

Summer 2020

**RISELAB - UC Berkeley**

- Implemented efficient cryptographic algorithms like Sumcheck, Merkle tree, and cryptographic sponge functions.
- Writing R1CS constraints for basic polynomial operations and Merkle trees. Those constraints are helpful for interactive oracle proofs of knowledge.
- Go to <https://github.com/tsunrise> to see my contributions.