# Jesse Zhang

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#### **EDUCATION**

## Stanford University, Stanford, CA

09/2014-Present

Ph.D., Electrical Engineering (anticipated 2019)

Research interests: Machine Learning, Statistics, Genomics

Advisor: David Tse

## Stanford University, Stanford, CA

09/2014-06/2016

M.S., Electrical Engineering

## Tufts University, Medford, MA

09/2010-05/2014

B.S., Electrical Engineering

### Newton South High School, Newton, MA

09/2006-06/2010

## Work Experience

# Grail, Menlo Park, CA

08/2017-Current

Computational Biology Intern

• Building classifiers and other machine learning tools using Python and R for analysis of cancer genomics data

### Cellular Research, Menlo Park, CA

06/2016-09/2016

Bioinformatics Intern

- Worked on ResolveTM system as part of an interdisciplinary team of biologists, engineers, and bioinformaticians
- Designed a Python library for automated analysis of high-dimensional single-cell RNA-seq data (clustering and feature selection)

### Stanford MIIL, Stanford, CA

09/2014-12/2014

EE PhD rotation student

- Simulated small animal CZT PET system with variable aperture using GATE software
- Created MATLAB algorithms for testing normalization methods on simulated data

## MC10, Inc., Cambridge, MA

05/2014-08/2014

R&D Intern

- Implemented machine learning and signal processing MATLAB algorithms to facilitate real-time and offline accelerometer data analysis
- Collaboratively optimized hardware-software interface

#### MIT Lincoln Laboratory, Lexington, MA

06/2013-05/2014

Electrical Engineering Intern/Co-op for Group 33

- Developed MATLAB algorithms to intelligently extract trace from ionogram images
- Created graphical user interface in MATLAB to facilitate ionogram image processing

Tufts Biomedical Engineering Department, Medford, MA 09/2011-08/2012 Researcher under supervision of David Kaplan, Ph.D.

- Designed and constructed gold circuits on silk scaffolds using soldering, gold sputter coating, and AutoCAD to control and detect neuronal signals
- Processed and analyzed neuronal signals using MATLAB and pCLAMP software

#### Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA

05/2011-08/2011

Researcher under supervision of Myles Brown, M.D.

- Conducted experiments to define role of lysine-specific demethylase 1 in human hormone dependent and independent prostate cancer
- Performed computational analysis of results using MS Excel, python and cistrome.org

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

EE 372: Data Science for HT Sequencing, Stanford, CA 03/2016-06/2016 Teaching Assistant

- Worked with academic advisor and fellow group member to design the first course in the Stanford electrical engineering department on computational problems in genomics
- Prepared lecture notes, led recitation sections, designed and updated a course website

Stanford Athletic Academic Resource Center, Stanford, CA 03/2016-06/2016 Tutor

• Tutored probabilistic systems analysis for three Stanford undergraduate athletes

# Tufts Academic Resource Center, Medford, MA

08/2012-05/2014

Head Tutor

- Tutored introductory physics, introductory chemistry, calculus III, differential equations, and linear algebra
- Held large-scale review sessions, weekly office hours, 1-on-1 sessions

PAPERS

Feizi, S., Javadi, H., Zhang, J. M., & David, N. T. (2017). Porcupine Neural Networks: (Almost) All Local Optima are Global. arXiv preprint arXiv:1710.02196.

Zhang, J. M., Fan, J., Fan, H. C., Rosenfeld, D., & David, N. T. (2017). An Interpretable Framework for Clustering Single-Cell RNA-Seq Datasets. bioRxiv, 191254.

Ntranos, V.\*, Kamath, G. M.\*, **Zhang, J. M.**,\* Pachter, L., & David, N. T. (2016). Fast and accurate single-cell RNA-Seq analysis by clustering of transcript-compatibility counts. Genome biology, 17(1), 1. (\*equal contributors)

Cai, C., He, H. H., Gao, S., Chen, S., Yu, Z., Gao, Y., Chen, S., Chen, M.W., Zhang, J., Ahmed, M., Wang, Y., Metzger, E., Schüle, R., Liu, X. S., Brown, M., & Balk, S. P. (2014). Lysine-specific demethylase 1 has dual functions as a major regulator of androgen receptor transcriptional activity. Cell reports, 9(5), 1618-1627.

Honors and Awards	National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship Honorable mention	03/2016
	Tufts University Summa Cum Laude The Amos Emerson Dolbear Scholarship (\$1355.25) The Class of 1808 Prize (\$1082.01)	05/2014 04/2014 04/2014
	The Class of 1898 Prize (\$1983.91) Tau Beta Pi Eta Kappa Nu Howard Sample Prize Scholarship in Physics (\$566.33)	04/2014 $11/2012$ $10/2012$ $04/2012$
	Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association of New England CCBA Scholarship ( $\$2500.00$ )	12/2010
	Junior Achievement of Northern New England Stephen G. Sullivan Scholarship (\$1000.00)	06/2010
SKILLS	Languages: Python, R, MATLAB, C++, Bash Packages: Jupyter, TensorFlow, CVX, NumPy, SciPy, scikit-learn, Git, LATE	X, Hadoop