

# Jesse Zhang

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Amazon** - *Software Dev Engineer*

Sept. 2019 - Now

#### *Alexa Connect Kit*

- Lead efforts on creating a firmware-exclusive automated testing environment
- Collaborated across teams and resolved critical product launch blockers
- Designed and implemented device lifecycle management for Alexa Connect Kit device supporting Matter framework
- Developed other Alexa Connect Kit features in low-memory hardware environment

#### *Amazon Halo*

- Designed and implemented an online data collection mechanism to improve product accuracy based on customer feedback
- Developed and deployed to production core features for Halo's Tone domain on iOS
- Implemented on-demand Bluetooth connectivity for the Halo app on iOS
- Worked between domains to investigate and improve the battery life for the Halo Band to address top post-launch customer concerns
- Proposed and developed a scalable approach to phone-accessory interaction for the Halo app to accommodate for future domain expansions
- Lead operational excellence initiatives for improving Tone responsiveness
- Advised leadership on critical Tone privacy concerns pre-launch
- Mentored intern to develop automated machine learning model test pipeline

### **Yahoo** - *Software Engineer I*

Aug. 2017 - Sept. 2019

- Worked on test and build systems for Apache Traffic Server (ATS) using the Reusable Gold Testing System framework (AuTest) and BuildBot
- Developed new features and community requests for AuTest
- Created a set of automatic traffic replay tools for ATS to reproduce captured production traffic in an isolated environment for reliability testing

### **Apple** - *Software Engineering Intern*

Summer 2016

- Developed iOS app with SAP integration for automated store inventory management
- Designed SAP backend service for the inventory pipeline

### **Fulcrum GT** - *Software Engineering Intern*

Summer 2015

- Pitched, designed, implemented, and launched Epoch, a SAP-backed legal time entry solution, at ILTA 2015

## PUBLICATIONS

Kim, M., **Zhang, X.**, Milenkovic, O. (2016). MetaCRAM: an integrated pipeline for metagenomic taxonomy identification and compression. *BMC Bioinformatics*. 17:94.

## EDUCATION

*Bachelor of Science, Computer Engineering*  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

*Programming Languages:* Swift, Python, C++, C, SystemVerilog, Java