

## WHO ARE YOU?

Hi! I'm **Jesse**.

I'm a **Senior Software Engineer generalist**; passionate about solving novel technical problems at whatever level of the stack they arise.

I've been shipping software for just over a decade — sometimes bootstrapping green-field projects into production; other times wrangling legacy architectures into maintainability while continuing to deliver features.

In a rush? Here's the TL;DR —

- **Senior Software Engineer @ Eden Health** — a young startup poised to reshape how we approach healthcare.
- **Senior Software Engineer @ TodayTix** — an international platform redefining how people see theatre.
- **Published author in NLP/ML research**, particularly around computational linguistics and topic modeling.
- **Named inventor on a NLP/IR-related patent.**
- **Active contributor to the OSS community**; insatiable dabbler; with a continuous backlog of pet projects.

## WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO?

### Senior Software Engineer.

(2018 - PRESENT) **Eden Health**

- Led development of the core user-facing product, a cross-platform mobile app [**React Native**] allowing patients to interact with licensed healthcare providers in realtime [**PubNub**, with a smattering of custom microservices to glue things together].
- Integrated open source tools to improve product quality and accelerate team velocity, including:
  - Implemented a **fastlane CI pipeline** to ensure every pull request had a corresponding **TestFlight** build that could be easily reviewed by product managers, significantly **improving QA throughput** as a result.
  - Built out a self-hosted error reporting service around **sentry.io**, allowing Eden to precisely measure production errors in realtime while remaining **HIPAA compliant**. Threw in some custom integrations with **SumoLogic** and **Prometheus** for good measure, and [contributed some upstream fixes](#) along the way.

### Senior Software Engineer.

(2014 - 2018) **TodayTix**

Grew the engineering team 3x over three+ years, and led or contributed to myriad projects along the way.

- Championed a culture of DevOps best-practices, through version-controlled configuration management, adoption of containerization, and immutable infrastructure. [Ansible, Docker, k8s, Hashicorp stack, etc.]
- Contributed to the green-field rewrite of [todaytix.com](https://todaytix.com) — from cross-platform (iOS/Android/Web) API specification (**Swagger/OpenAPI**), to implementation in a modern, SEO-optimized SSR **React/Redux** stack.
- Owned the implementation of **Backend API integrations with numerous B2B ticketing partners**, amounting to six figures in revenue per year and growing. [REST, Systems Architecture]
- Resident **SQL/Hibernate/(G)ORM guru**; known to improve the runtime of the most untenable of queries by an order of magnitude or more. Profilers fear me.
- Overhauled internal CMS/CRM platform (both FE & BE), including **coordinating with stakeholders** to ensure business priorities aligned with technical implementation. [AngularJS, Grails/Spring, Sketch]

### Natural Language Processing Engineer.

(2014 - 2015) **Walker Innovation**

Developed a proprietary domain-specific unsupervised machine learning model to identify statistically relevant patents to a product line. My system combined several approaches, including **semantic analysis and topic modeling (LSA / LDA)**, and succeeded in outperforming any contemporaneous systems in digital Patent Law analysis.

### Software Engineer & Research Associate.

(2010 - 2014) **American National Corpus**

Lead developer for the NSF-funded **Language Application Grid (LAPPS)** project, responsible for wrapping NLP services as web services compliant to our APIs, working with collaborators to design the LAPPS framework and mentoring junior developers in contributing to the project.

## NICE. WHAT ABOUT SIDE PROJECTS?

I bleed open source; that doesn't stop when I clock out from sprint work. Some examples of personal projects:

- I run a 10+ node **Kubernetes cluster** out of my apartment; because what a time to be alive, right. This is my playground for all sorts of fun side projects, and I love finding ways to share my homelab discoveries in ways that benefit the team.
- I maintain several popular Docker images, including the [multi-architecture version](#) of the Kubernetes Helm image; collectively, [these have been pulled 1.7 million times](#) from Docker Hub as of 2019.
- I've contributed upstream features / fixes to a variety of popular open source projects, including Kubernetes, Helm, Sentry, CoreDNS, GatsbyJS, and React Native.
- I take a **lot** of pictures. Be prepared for my lenses to show up at your All Hands'.

## DOPE. WHERE'D YOU STUDY?

Bachelor of Arts: **Vassar College**

Class of 2013

Degree: **Neuroscience**

Minors: **Computer Science, French Literature**