# ANDERSON BANIHIRWE

I contribute to and maintain several libraries within the open source scientific Python stack, particularly around improving scalability of Python tools in order to handle terabyte-scale datasets on HPC and cloud platforms.



# **EDUCATION**



**B.S.**, Computer Systems Engineering

University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Q Little Rock, AR



# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

current 2018-10

### **Software Engineer**

National Center for Atmospheric Research

• Boulder, CO

- · Assisted with the development, implementation, and maintenance of software contributions to Open Source packages – namely dask, xarray, intake, jupyter — used by the Pangeo community as they pertain to NCAR systems or data.
- · Assisted with the development and maintenance of Pangeo-related installations and deployments on premise High Performance Computing (HPC) systems or commercial cloud that access NCAR resources.
- · Assisted with the development and deployment of live (virtual or inperson) and online/self-paced education material, including training websites, Jupyter notebook examples, and teaching modules.

2018-09 2018-05

#### Software Developer Intern

Quansight

• Austin. TX

- · Developed xndframes<sup>1</sup>, a Pandas Extension Dtype/Array backed by xnd<sup>2</sup>, a container type that maps most Python values relevant for scientific computing directly to typed memory.
- · Worked on integrating cuDF3 GPU dataframe library with Apache Arrow<sup>4</sup> library.
- · Worked closely with a customer to port existing Postgres code base to a Dask based workflow.

2018-04 2017-11

#### **Data Science Intern**

First Orion

Q Little Rock, AR

· Built scoring, predictive models with Scikit-learn, Dask, and Apache Spark using First Orion's proprietary telecommunication data.

2017-08 2017-05

# Research Intern

National Center for Atmospheric Research

Boulder. CO

• Developed spark-xarray<sup>5</sup>, a Python package that integrates PySpark and xarray for climate data analysis.

View this CV online with links at cv.andersonbanihirwe.dev

# CONTACT

■ axbanihirwe@gmail.com

github.com/andersy005

3

blog.andersonbanihirwe.dev

linkedin.com/in/andersy005



# ■ SELECTED PUBLICATIONS, POSTERS, AND TALKS

2020

# The Pangeo Ecosystem: Interactive Computing Tools for the Geosciences: Benchmarking on HPC<sup>6</sup>

2019 Supercomputing Conference Workshop on Interactive High-**Performance Computing** 

· Authored with Tina Erica Odaka, Guillaume Eynard-Bontemps, Aurelien Ponte, Guillaume Maze, Kevin Paul, Jared Baker, Ryan Abernathey.

#### 2020-09

# Zarr: chunked, compressed, multidimensional arrays

2020 Cloud Native Geospatial Outreach Day

Online

- · Invited talk about Zarr<sup>7</sup>, an open source data format for the storage of chunked, compressed, multidimensional arrays.
- · Recorded talk: https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=cOMkgQssVPk&list=PL3QzFgBMGnbQWbW-V09AzSfCbnf6Q87Rq&index=4&t=1471s
- · Slides: https://talks.andersonbanihirwe.dev/zarr-cloud-nativegeospatial-2020.html

#### 2020-07

#### Intake-ESM - Making It Easier To Consume Climate and Weather Data Online 2020 ESIP Summer Meeting

- · Invited talk about intake-esm, an intake plugin for working with Earth System Model (ESM) datasets.
- · Recorded talk: https://youtu.be/OpzF6IwIHRA?t=1400
- · Slides: https://talks.andersonbanihirwe.dev/intake-esm-esip-2020.html

#### 2020-06

# Intake / Pangeo Catalog: Making It Easier To Consume Earth's Climate and Weather Data<sup>8</sup>

2020 EarthCube Annual Meeting

Online

· Contributed Jupyter notebook about Pangeo9s data cataloging efforts.

#### 2019

# Perceptual Judgments to Detect Computer Generated Forged Faces in Social Media10

IAPR Workshop on Multimodal Pattern Recognition of Social Signals in Human-Computer Interaction

· Authored with Suzan Anwar, Mariofanna Milanova, Mardin Anwer.

#### 2019-07

## Interactive Supercomputing with Dask and Jupyter<sup>11</sup>

2019 Scientific Computing with Python conference

Austin, TX

- · Contributed talk about Dask and Jupyter.
- · Recorded talk: https://youtu.be/vhawO8fgD64
- · Slides: https://andersonbanihirwe.dev/talks/dask-jupyter-scipy-2019.html

2018-04

# Beyond Matplotlib - Tutorial: Building Interactive Climate Data Visualizations with Bokeh and Friends<sup>12</sup>

2018 UCAR Software Engineering Assembly conference lacktriangle Boulder, CO

- · Contributed tutorial about interactive visualization with Python.
- Tutorial materials: https://github.com/andersy005/beyond-matplotlib-tutorial-sea-2018

2018-01

# PySpark for "Big" Atmospheric Data Analysis

Eighth Symposium on Advances in Modeling and Analysis Using Python

Austin, TX

- · Contributed talk about spark-xarray<sup>13</sup>.
- Recorded Talk: https://ams.confex.com/ams/98Annual/webprogram/Paper334546.html
- · Slides: https://opensky.ucar.edu/islandora/object/conference%3A3443



- 1: https://github.com/xnd-project/xndframes
- 2: https://github.com/xnd-project
- 3: https://github.com/rapidsai/cudf
- 4: https://arrow.apache.org/
- 5: https://ncar.github.io/PySpark4Climate/
- 6: https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-44728-1\_12
- 7: https://github.com/zarr-developers
- 8: https://github.com/earthcube2020/ec20\_banihirwe\_etal
- 9: https://pangeo.io/

10:

https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Mariofanna\_Milanova/publication/333414231\_Perceptual\_Judgments\_to\_Detect\_ComputerJudgments-to-Detect-Computer-Generated-Forged-Faces-in-Social-Media.pdf

- 11: https://youtu.be/vhawO8fgD64
- 12: https://sea.ucar.edu/event/beyond-matplotlib-building-interactive-climate-data-visualizations-bokeh-and-friends
- 13: https://ncar.github.io/PySpark4Climate/sparkxarray/overview/