CONDA Environments and Jupyter Notebook on Expanse: Scalable & Reproducible Data Exploration and ML CIML Summer Institute 2025

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Outline

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- Setup a portable and reproducible software environment
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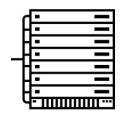
When to run on Expanse

Laptop/Desktop

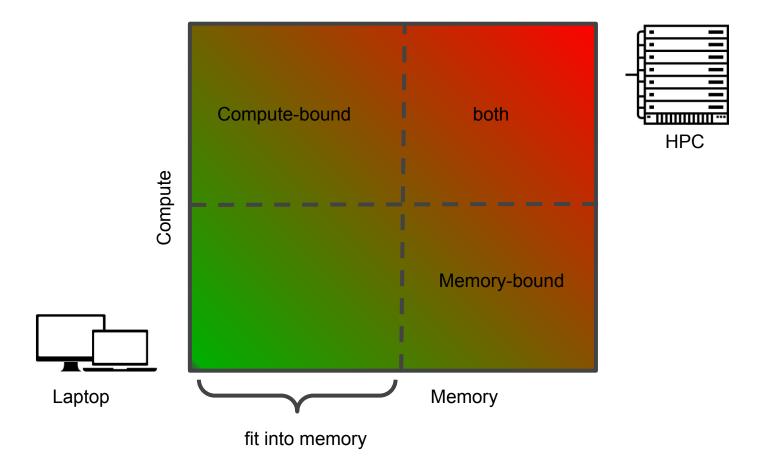


- Coding
- Exploratory phase
- Small datasets
- Run on single or few cores

Expanse



- Scaling up to
 - large datasets
 - long runtimes
- Run on many cores
- Run on GPUs



Expanse Nodes

128 CPU cores/node

4 GPUs, 40 CPU cores/node

	Compute Nodes		GPU Nodes		
CPU Type	AMD EPYC 7742	GPU Type	NVIDIA V100 SMX2		
Nodes	728	Nodes	52		
Sockets	2	GPUs/node	4		
		CPU Type	Xeon Gold 6248 20 2		
Cores/socket	64	Cores/socket			
Clock speed	2.25 GHz	Sockets			
Flop speed	4608 GFlop/s	Clock speed	2.5 GHz		
Memory capacity	* 256 GB DDR4 DRAM	Flop speed	34.4 TFlop/s		
		Memory capacity	*384 GB DDR4 DRAM		
Local Storage	1TB Intel P4510 NVMe PCle SSD	Local Storage	1.6TB Samsung PM1745b NVMe PCle SSD		
Max CPU Memory bandwidth	409.5 GB/s	Max CPU Memory bandwidth	281.6 GB/s		

	Partition Name	Max Walltime	Max Nodes/Job	Max Running Jobs	Max Running + Queued Jobs	Charge Factor	Notes
	compute	48 hrs	32	32	64	1	Exclusive access to regular compute nodes; limit applies per group
	ind- compute	48 hrs	32	32	64	1	Exclusive access to Industry compute nodes; limit applies per group
Jupyter Notebook (CPU) ———	shared	48 hrs	1	4096	4096	1	Single-node jobs using fewer than 128 cores
	ind-shared	48 hrs	1	32	64	1	Single-node Industry jobs using fewer than 128 cores
	gpu	48 hrs	4	4	8 (32 Tres GPU)	1	Used for exclusive access to the GPU nodes
Jupyter Notebook (GPU)	ind-gpu	48 hrs	4	4	8 (32 Tres GPU)	1	Exclusive access to the Industry GPU nodes
	gpu-shared	48 hrs	1	24	24 (24 Tres GPU)	1	Single-node job using fewer than 4 GPUs
	ind-gpu- shared	48 hrs	1	24	24 (24 Tres GPU)	1	Single-node job using fewer than 4 Industry GPUs
	large- shared	48 hrs	1	1	4	1	Single-node jobs using large memory up to 2 TB (minimum memory required 256G)
Testing (CPU)	debug	30 min	2	1	2	1	Priority access to shared nodes set aside for testing of jobs with short walltime and limited resources
Testing (GPU) ———	gpu-debug	30 min	2	1	2	1	Priority access to gpu-shared nodes set aside for testing of jobs with short walltime and limited resources; max two gpus per job
	preempt	7 days	32		128	.8	Non-refundable discounted jobs to run on free nodes that can be pre-empted by jobs submitted to any other queue
	gpu- preempt	7 days	1		24 (24 Tres GPU)	.8	Non-refundable discounted jobs to run on unallocated nodes that can be pre-empted by higher priority queues



Setup a portable and reproducible software environment



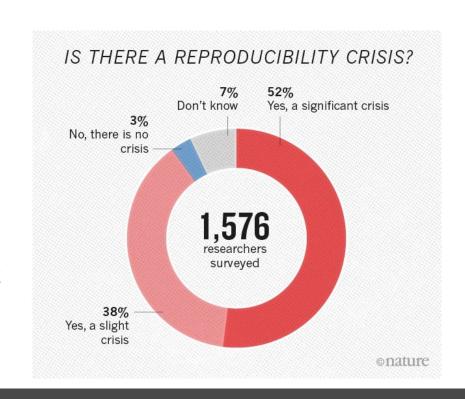
Reproducibility Crisis?

"More than 70% of researchers have tried and failed to reproduce another scientist's experiments, and more than half have failed to reproduce their own experiments."

Nature, 2016, M. Baker, 1,500 scientists lift the lid on reproducibility

"Nature journal editors ... will, on a case-by-case basis, ask reviewers to check how well the code works."

Nature, 2018, Does your code stand up to scrutiny?



Reproducibility*

obtaining consistent results using

same input data or parameters

same computational steps, methods, and code

same analysis conditions

Reusability

obtaining **new** results using

different input data or parameters

same computational steps, methods, and code

same analysis conditions

Scalability

obtaining **new** results using

large input data or parameter sets

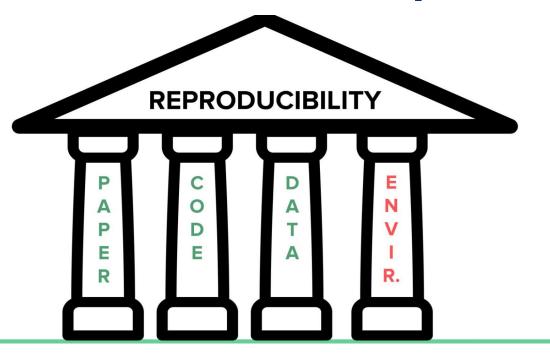
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same analysis conditions

^{*} L. Barba, https://figshare.com/articles/Next_in_Reproducibility_standards_policies_infrastructure_and_human_factors/8194328/1



Four Pillars of Reproducible Research



Open Science

- Open access publications
- Open source code
- Open data
- Open execution environment

http://theoryandpractice.org/2016/05/Reproducibility-Symposium/

Tools and Infrastructure



Computational notebooks: combine documentation, code, and results



Version-control system for tracking changes in source code



Source code



Open-source package and environment management system



Container that packages software and OS in a portable way



Scalable compute infrastructure



Reproducible Environments

CONDA

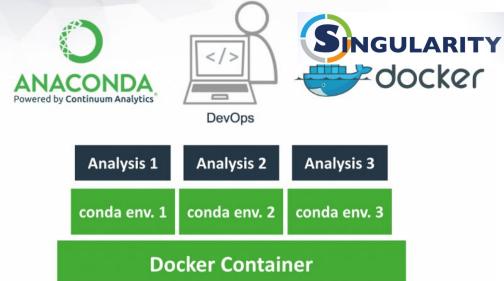
- Beginner
- Experience with Conda
- Exploratory development
- Frequently changing dependencies
- Easy to compose an environment with many dependencies
- Run on single node on Expanse
- Supported on Linux, Mac, Windows
- Run on native OS



- Advanced user
- Experience with containers
- Production environment
- Often setup for a single tool
- Optimized containers for Expanse
 - pytorch, tensorflow, ...
 - support for multi-node
- Supported on Linux
- Mac, Windows requires a VM
- Run on packaged OS, e.g. Ubuntu







Data Science Development



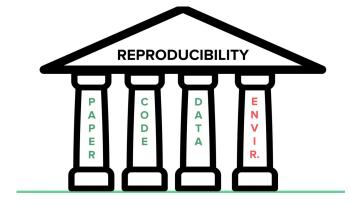
Data Science Deployment

Laptop, server, cloud instance

Source: https://medium.com/@patrickmichelberger/getting-started-with-anaconda-docker-b50a2c482139







Package management system

 Conda installs, runs, and updates open source packages (e.g., NumPy, Pandas) and their dependencies, while checking compatibility with all preexisting packages.

Environment management system

- Conda allows you to create, save, load and switch between multiple environments on your local computer, as well as share instructions for how to recreate that environment on a different computer.
- Multi-platform (Windows, MacOS, and Linux)
- Multi-language (Python, R, Ruby, Scala, Java, JavaScript, C/ C++, etc.)



Why Conda Environments?

pip install pandas pip install scikit-learn

Or

conda install pandas

Directly installing packages into your base environment will lead to version conflicts, errors, and non-reproducible results.

environment 1

python=3.7 pandas=0.25.0 scikit-learn=0.20.0 environment_2

python=3.9 pandas=1.2.4 scikit-learn=0.24.2

By creating conda environments, multiple versions of software packages can co-exists without interference.

Conda environment are portable and can be installed on multiple platforms.

Define a Conda Environment

Create an **environment.yml** file in the top level of a Git Repository (https://github.com/sbl-sdsc/df-parallel)

name: df-parallel Use the same name as your Git repository channels: conda-forge anaconda Specify the channels where to look for packages. Order matters! dependencies: The conda-forge channel has newer versions than anaconda. - python=3.10 - jupyterlab=4.0.1 - ipywidgets=8.0.6 - matplotlib=3.7.1 Specify ("pin") version number to ensure reproducibility and - seaborn=0.12.2 - papermill=2.3.4 compatibility. - dask=2023.3.2 - pyspark=3.4.0 - pyarrow=10.0.1 - openjdk=17.0.3 Specify non-Python packages (e.g., Java). variables: # SPARK conf directory with logging configuration SPARK_CONF_DIR: ../conf SPARK_DRIVER_MEMORY: 16G SPARK DRIVER MAXRESULTSIZE: 4G Set environment variables (e.g., configuration options). SPARK WORKER MEMORY: 4G



Create a Conda Environment

Prerequisite: miniforge3 (light-weight, preferred); or miniconda3

https://conda-forge.org/

Create a Conda environment

conda env create -f environment.yml
 or
mamba env create -f environment.yml (faster)



Mac, Windows, Linux

Activate a Conda environment

conda activate <environment_name>

Run Jupyter Lab

jupyter lab

Deactivate conda environment

conda deactivate



Expanse: **Do not** create a Conda environment in your home directory (network file system)
-> Use the **galyleo** script!

Use the Expanse Portal to check allocations, job status, manage files, open a terminal window



Expanse Portal



SDSC

The Expanse portal provides an integrated, and easy to use interface to access Expanse HPC resource.

With the portal, researchers can manage files (create, edit, move, upload, and download), view job templates for various applications, submit and monitor jobs, run interactive applications, and connect via SSH. The portal has no end-user installation requirements other than access to a modern up-to-date web browser

Pinned Apps A featured subset of all available apps















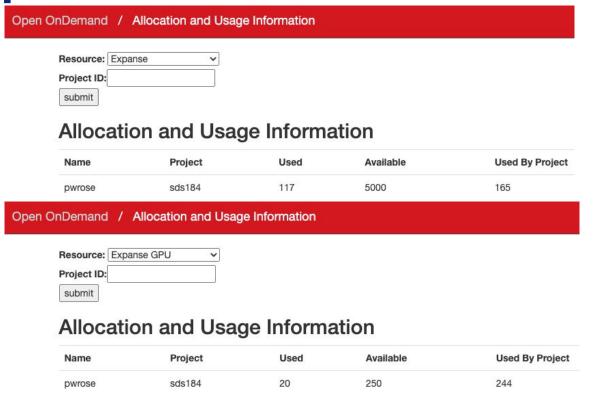


Login with your ACCESS credentials: https://portal.expanse.sdsc.edu/

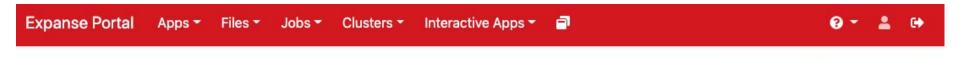
Note, for this workshop use your training credentials and sign in on the training page:

https://portal.expanse.sdsc.edu/training

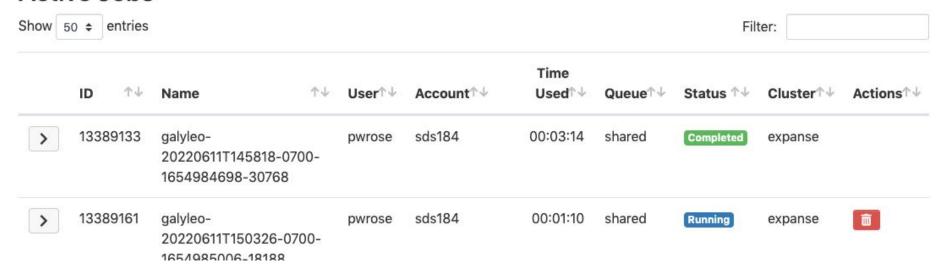
Expanse Allocations CPU/GPU







Active Jobs



Your Jobs -

All Clusters ▼

Run Jupyter Lab on Expanse



Galyleo Script

Launches Jupyter Lab/Notebook on high-performance computing (HPC) systems.

Establishes an HTTPS-secured connection between the notebook server and your web browser.

Documentation: https://github.com/sdsc/galyleo

Using Galyleo

(when using your own ACCESS account)

1. Prepend path to galyleo to your path (e.g., add to .bashrc file)

```
export PATH="/cm/shared/apps/sdsc/galyleo:${PATH}"
```

2. Launch your Jupyter Notebook session using a Conda environment.yml file

```
galyleo launch --account <account_number> --partition shared
  --cpus 10 --memory 20 --time-limit 01:30:00 --conda-yml
"${HOME}/df-parallel/environment.yml" --mamba --cache --quiet
```

3. Copy and paste generated URL into your web browser

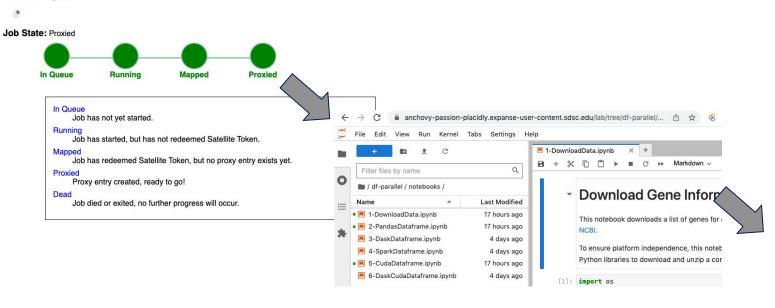
```
https://anchovy-passion-placidly.expanse-user-content.sdsc.edu?token=48ee984b9ea07a96c17aaec000bc5fcf
```

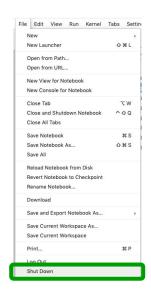


Progress Bar and Jupyter Launch

Satellite Reverse Proxy Service

SDSC Expanse





File-> Shut Down to terminate process!



Running the Dataframe Examples

(when using your own ACCESS account)

Clone the Git repo

```
git clone https://github.com/sbl-sdsc/df-parallel.git
```

Run on CPU (Pandas, Dask, Spark dataframes)

```
galyleo launch --account <account_number> --partition shared --cpus 10
--memory 20 --time-limit 01:30:00
--conda-yml "${HOME}/df-parallel/environment.yml" --mamba --cache --quiet
```

Run on GPU (cuDF, Dask-cuDF dataframes)

```
galyleo launch --account <account_number> --partition gpu-shared --cpus 10
--memory 92 --gpus 1 --time-limit 01:30:00 --conda-yml
"${HOME}/df-parallel/environment-gpu.yml" --mamba --cache --quiet
```

1 GPU + 10 CPUs + 92 GB = 1/4 of a GPU node



Task 1 - Launch Jupyter Lab on Expanse using a CONDA environment

- Clone df-parallel Git repository
- Start galyleo on a GPU node
- Paste the URL for your Jupyter Lab session into your browser

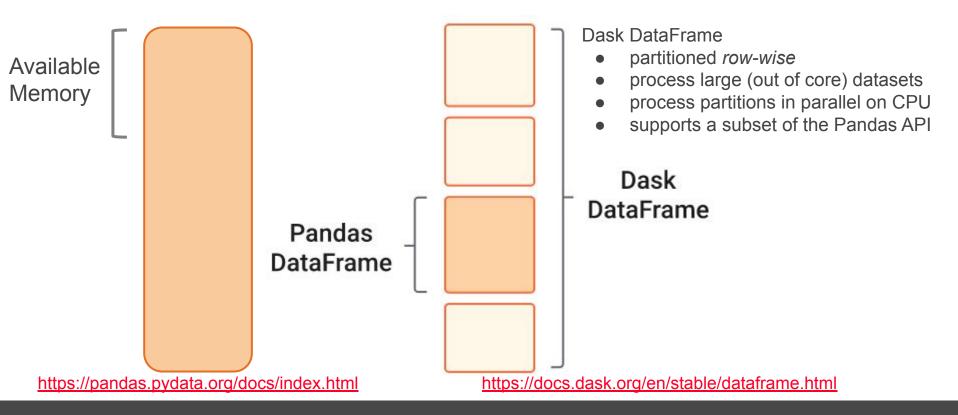
Follow the instructions for <u>Task 1</u>



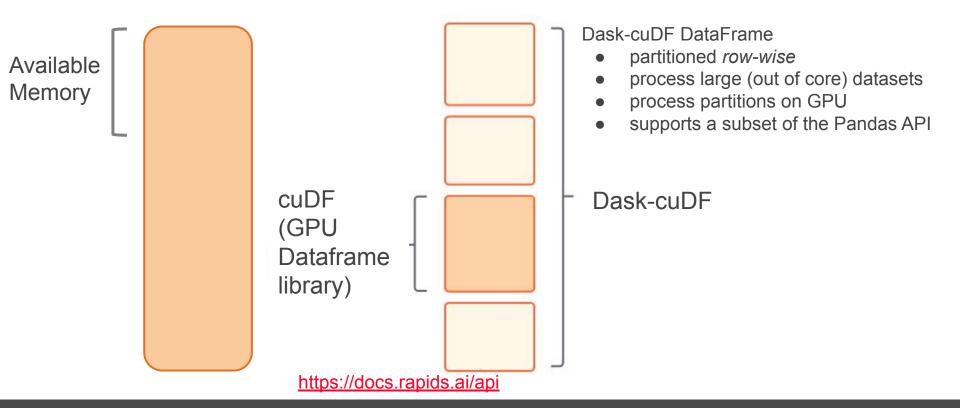
Scale up Calculations on CPU/GPU



Processing large Datasets on CPU



Processing large Datasets on GPU



Example Notebooks

https://github.com/sbl-sdsc/df-parallel

Dataframe Library	Parallel	Out-of-core	CPU/GPU	Evaluation
Pandas	no	no [1]	CPU	eager
Dask	yes	yes	CPU	lazy
Spark	yes	yes	CPU	lazy
cuDF	yes	no	GPU	eager
Dask-cuDF	yes	yes	GPU	lazy

[1] Pandas can read data in chunks, but they have to be processed independently.

Task 2 - Run Jupyter Lab Interactively

Compare the runtimes for 5 dataframe libraries

Follow the instructions for <u>Task 2</u>

Dataframe Benchmark

Results for running on SDSC Expanse GPU node with 10 CPU cores (Intel Xeon Gold 6248 2.5 GHz), 1 GPU (NVIDIA V100 SMX2), and 92 GB of memory (DDR4 DRAM), local storage (1.6 TB Samsung PM1745b NVMe PCle SSD).

Datafile size (gene_info.tsv):

• Dataset 1: 5.4 GB (18 GB in Pandas)

• Dataset 2: 21.4 GB (4 x Dataset 1) (62.4 GB in Pandas)

Dataset 3: 43.7 GB (8 x Dataset 1)

Dataframe Library	time(5.4 GB) (s)	time(21.4 GB) (s)	time(43.7 GB) (s)	Parallel	Out- of- core	CPU/GPU
Pandas	56.3	222.4	[2]	no	no	CPU
Dask	15.7	42.1	121.8	yes	yes	CPU
Spark	14.2	31.2	56.5	yes	yes	CPU
cuDF	3.2	[2]	[2]	yes	no	GPU
Dask-cuDF	7.3	11.9	19.0	yes	yes	GPU

[2] out of memory



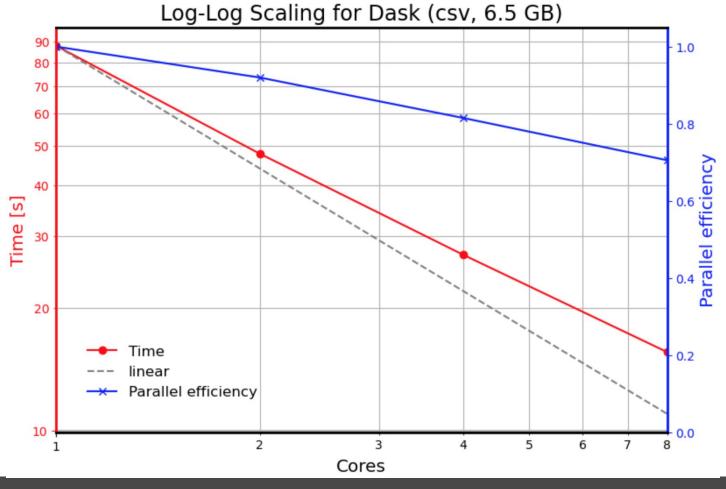
Parallel Efficiency

Task 3 - Assess Parallel Efficiency

 Evaluate the parallel efficiency for scaling up from 1 to 8 CPUs.

Follow the instructions for <u>Task 3</u>

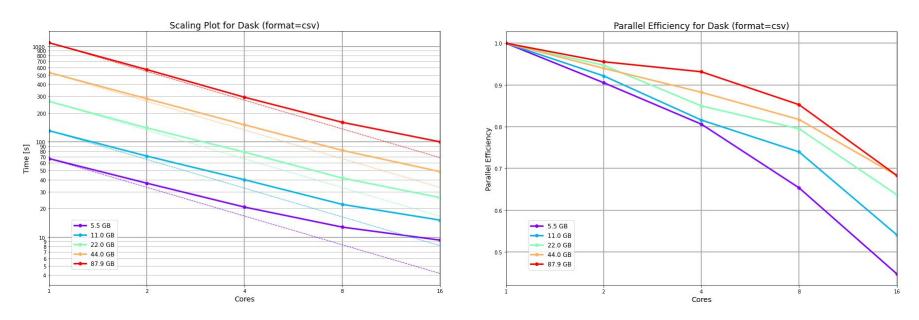






Scaling for Dask Dataframe

Runtime as function of dataset size and number of cores



Batch benchmark: slurm script: <u>benchmark.sb</u> notebook: <u>8-BenchmarkSummary.ipynb</u>



Efficient File Formats



Columnar Storage Format - Parquet



@EmrgencyKittens

Query and space efficient file format (default: Snappy compression)

Vertical partitioning (projection push down)

+ Horizontal partitioning = (predicate push down)

Read only the data you need!

a	b	С
a1	b1	c1
a2	b2	c2
аЗ	b3	сЗ
a4	b4	c4
a5	b5	c5

а	b	С
a1	b1	c1
a2	b2	c2
аЗ	b3	сЗ
a4	b4	c4
a5	b5	c5

a	b	C
a1	b1	c1
a2	b2	c2
аЗ	b3	сЗ
a4	b4	с4
a5	b5	c5

Horizontal partitioning uses column min/max statistics from Parquet metadata.

https://www.slideshare.net/julienledem/if-you-have-your-own-columnar-format-stop-now-and-use-parquet

Vertical & Horizontal Partitioning

```
# vertical partitioning
column names = ["GeneID", "Symbol", "Synonyms", "description", "type of gene", "#tax id", "chromosome"]
# horizontal partitioning
filters=[[("type of gene", "==", "protein-coding")]]
# Pandas
genes = pd.read parquet(filename, columns=column names, filters=filters)
# Dask
genes = dd.read parquet(filename, columns=column names, filters=filters)
# cuDF
genes = cudf.read parquet(filename, columns=column names, filters=filters)
# Dask-cuDF
genes = dask cudf.read parquet(filename, columns=column names, filters=filters)
# Spark
genes = spark.read.parquet(filename)
genes = genes.select(column names)
genes = genes.filter("type of gene == 'protein-coding'")
```



Creating Parquet "Files" with Dask

```
genes = dd.read_csv(input, dtype=str, sep="\t")
genes.to_parquet(output, write_index=False,
write_metadata_file=True, engine="pyarrow")
```

```
genes = dd.read_csv(input, dtype=str, sep="\t")
genes.to_parquet(output, write_index=False,
write_metadata_file=True, engine="pyarrow",
partition_on=["type_of_gene"])
```

```
[xdtr104@login02 ~]$ ls -lh gene_info.parquet/
              total 698K
total 1.2G
-rw-r--r-- 1 xdtr104 uic157  20M Aug  4 10:14 part.16.parquet
      21M Aug 4 10:14 part.17.parquet
-rw-r--r-- 1 xdtr104 uic157
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
```

```
[xdtrl04@login02 ~]$ is -in gene_info.parquet/
4 Aug 4 16:16 'type of gene=biological-region
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
                          68 Aug 4 16:15 'type of gene=miscRNA'
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
                          87 Aug
                                4 16:15 'type of gene=ncRNA'
                                4 16:15 'type of gene=other'
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
                                4 16:15 'type of gene=protein-coding'
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
                                4 16:15 'type of gene=pseudo'
                                4 16:15 'type_of_gene=rRNA'
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
                          5 Aug 4 16:16 'type of gene=scRNA'
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
                                4 16:15 'type of gene=snRNA'
                                4 16:16 'type of gene=snoRNA'
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
                                4 16:15 'type of gene=tRNA'
drwxr-xr-x 2 xdtr104 uic157
                                4 16:16 'type of gene=unknown'
```

Parquet files are typically directories of files.

 They can be partitioned for query efficiency



Run Jupyter Lab in Batch



Run Jupyter Lab in Batch

Example batch file

https://github.com/sbl-sdsc/df-parallel/blob/main/problem.sh

Submit job sbatch problem.sh

Papermill (https://papermill.readthedocs.io/en/latest/)

execute notebook on the command line
 papermill input.ipynb output.ipynb

execute notebook in Python

```
import papermill as pm
pm.execute_notebook("input.ipynb", "output.ipynb")
```

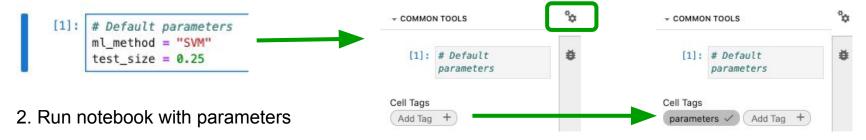
parameterize notebook (pass arguments to Jupyter Notebooks)

papermill input.ipynb output.ipynb -p variable1 value1 -p variable2 value2



Parameterize a Notebook

1. Select cell, add "parameters" tag and save notebook



papermill input.ipynb output.ipynb -p ml_method LogisticRegression

3. The output "executed" notebook has parameter injected

```
[2]: # Default parameters
ml_method = "SVM"
test_size = 0.25

[2]: # Parameters
parameters
ml_method = "LogisticRegression"

[2]: # Parameters
parameters
injected-parameters ✓
```

Task 4 - Run Jupyter Lab in Batch

- Parameterize a dataframe notebook
- Edit problem.sh batch file
- Submit the batch job
- Interpret the benchmark results

Follow the instructions for <u>Task 4</u>



Get ready to use Expanse: accounts, allocations



Expanse Allocation

- Trial allocation: 100 GPU and/or 1000 CPU hours consult@sdsc.edu
- Apply for allocations through <u>ACCESS</u>
 - **EXPLORE** (400K) Great for resource evaluation, graduate student projects, small classes and training events, benchmarking, code development and porting, and similar small-scale uses.
 - DISCOVER (1.5M) Designed for research grants with modest resource needs, Campus
 Champions, large classes and training events, NSF graduate fellowships, benchmarking and code testing at scale, and gateway development.
 - ACCELERATE (3M) Best for experienced users with mid-scale resource needs, consolidating multi-grant programs, collaborative projects, preparing for Maximize ACCESS requests, and gateways with growing communities.
 - **MAXIMIZE** (>3M) The choice for large-scale research activities that need more resources than the limit for Accelerate ACCESS projects.



How much does it cost to run the jobs?

Run on CPU (Pandas, Dask, Spark dataframes)

```
galyleo launch --account <account_number> --partition shared --cpus 10
--memory 20 --time-limit 00:30:00
--conda-yml "${HOME}/df-parallel/environment.yml" --mamba --cache --quiet
```

1 CPU or 2GB of memory are charged 1 CPU Service Unit (SU)/hour. This job will be charged 10 SU/hour or 5 SUs for 30 minutes.

Run on GPU (Pandas, Dask, Spark, cuDF, Dask-cuDF dataframes)

```
galyleo launch --account <account_number> --partition gpu-shared --cpus 10
--memory 92 --gpus 1 --time-limit 00:30:00 --conda-yml
"${HOME}/df-parallel/environment_gpu.yml" --mamba --cache --quiet
```

1 GPU or 10 CPUs or 92 GB of memory are charged 1 GPU Service Unit (SU)/hour. This job will be charged 1 GPU SU/hour. The minimum charge for any job is 1 GPU SU. So this job will use 1 GPU SU even though it's just run for 30 minutes.



Best Practices for Authoring Jupyter Notebooks



advanced search

OPEN ACCESS

EDITORIAL

Ten simple rules for writing and sharing computational analyses in Jupyter Notebooks

Adam Rule, Amanda Birmingham, Cristal Zuniga, Ilkay Altintas, Shih-Cheng Huang, Rob Knight, Niema Moshiri, Mai H. Nguyen, Sara Brin Rosenthal, Fernando Pérez, Peter W. Rose

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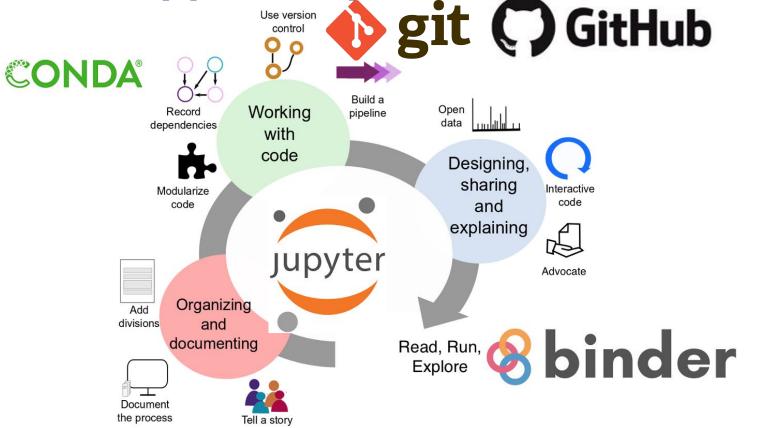
Git repo: https://github.com/jupyter-quide/ten-rules-jupyter

Ten Simple Rules Use version control Build a Working Open Record pipeline data dependencies with code Designing, sharing Interactive Modularize code code and Simplified explaining Notebook Advocate Cycle Organizing Add divisions and documenting Read, Run, **Explore**

Ten Simple Rules for Writing and Saring Computational Analyses in Jupyter Notebooks, PLOS Comp. Biol. 2019, https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1007007



Tools to Support Reproducible Workflows



Organizing and Documenting

- Rule 1: Tell a Story for an Audience
 - Beginning introduce topic
 - Middle describe steps
 - End interprets results
 - Describe not just what you did, by why you did it, how the steps are connected, and what it all means.
 - Adjust your description depending on the intended audience
- Rule 2: Document the process, not just the results
 - Add descriptive notes, e.g., why a particular parameter was chosen
- Rule 3: Use cell divisions to make steps clear
 - Avoid long cells
 - Limit each cell to one meaningful step
 - Split long notebooks into a series of notebooks
 - Keep a top-level index notebook with links to the individual notebooks



Working with Code

Record
Working with code

Simplified Notebook Cycle

Organizing and documenting

Read, Run, Explore

- Rule 4: Modularize Code
 - Use functions instead of duplicating code cells
- Rule 5: Record Dependencies
 - Manage your dependencies explicitly from the start using a tool such as
 - Conda's environment.yml
 - pip's requirements.txt
- Rule 6: Use Version Control
 - Consider using a public repository from the beginning of a project
 - Tie research results to specific software versions
- Rule 7: Build a Pipeline
 - Design notebooks with reuse in mind (different input data and parameters)
 - Define key input data and parameters at the top of each notebook
 - Break long notebooks into smaller notebooks that focus on one or a few analysis steps.



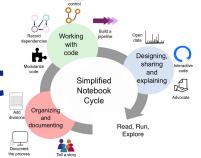
Sharing, explaining



- Rule 8: Share and Explain Your Data
 - Share your data in a repository with a persistent identifier, e.g., DOI or ARK
 - Bio repositories, e.g., NCBI, Ensemble, PDB
 - General repositories, e.g., Zenodo https://zenodo.org/
 - Small datasets can be stored in GitHub with your source code (< 50MB)
 - E.g., in a /data folder
 - Very large datasets
 - Consider using a sample of the data and a link to the original data
 - Save intermediate data after data processing
 - E.g., in /intermediate_data folder
 - Can be used to verify each step in a workflow



Sharing, explaining cont



- Rule 9: Design your notebooks to be read, run, and explored
 - Git repository
 - Add a descriptive README file
 - Add a LICENCE file (liberal licence, e.g., MIT, Apache 2)
 - Add a static HTML/PDF file of your notebooks for long-term preservation
 - Add badge/link to launch notebooks in the cloud (MyBinder, Google Colab)
 - Consider using ipywidgets to add menus or sliders to enable interactive exploration of parameters



Sharing, explaining cont.

- Rule 10: Advocate for open research
 - Apply what you learned in this tutorial in your own research and be an advocate for open and reproducible research in your lab or workplace
 - Publish a fully reproducible paper! Create all figures, data tables, and all other computational results using Jupyter Notebook and deposit in Github.



Our lab's moving to this model: publish "static PDF" papers as expected, but also a shadow, interactive @ProjectJupyter version alongside that has all code to process, analyze, and visualize data.

"The Scientific Paper Is Obsolete" featuring @fperez_org



The Scientific Paper Is Obsolete

Here's what's next.

theatlantic.com





https://mybinder.org/

A community that builds free and open-source tools for reproducible, sharable scientific environments that are workflow- and platform-agnostic.

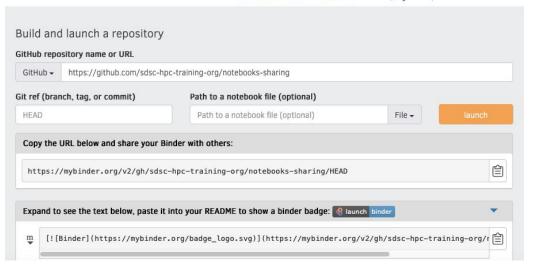




Turn a Git repo into a collection of interactive notebooks

Have a repository full of Jupyter notebooks? With Binder, open those notebooks in an executable environment, making your code immediately reproducible by anyone, anywhere.

New to Binder? Get started with a Zero-to-Binder tutorial in Julia, Python, or R.



Binder Limitations:

Provides a maximum of 2GB of memory

Only suitable for small projects

- few dependencies
- small data files

Launch can be slow or fail

Example repo:

https://github.com/sdsc-hpc-train ing-org/notebooks-sharing



Google Colab

- Cons
 - Works on a single notebook, not a whole Git repo
- Pros
 - GPU available
 - Push changes directly to Git repo
- To install dependencies from an environment.yml file
 - Use the <u>CondaColab</u> package
 - Example notebook



Summary

- When to run on Expanse
- Setup a portable and reproducible software environment
- Use the Expanse Portal
- Run Jupyter Lab on Expanse
- Scale up calculations on CPU/GPU
- Parameterize a Jupyter Notebook
- Run Jupyter Lab in batch
- Get ready to use Expanse: accounts, allocations
- Best Practices for Authoring Jupyter Notebooks



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