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CONTACT INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

I build and maintain parallel computing infrastructure for Python's open source ecosystem. This is part of a broader effort to increase accessibility of numerical methods to science and policy practitioners.

EDUCATION

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Ph.D, Computer Science

2013

M.S. Computer Science

2011

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

B.A., Physics, Mathematics, and Astronomy

May 2007

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Anaconda Inc

Computational Scientist

2014 - Present

Build software and communities to scale Python's data analytics ecosystem

Sandia National Laboratory - Livermore, CA

Postdoctoral Researcher

2013 - 2014

Computation and analysis of large time evolving networks

Sandia National Laboratory - Livermore, CA

Summer researcher

Summer 2010

Graph analytics

Argonne National Laboratory - Chicago, IL

Givens Fellow

Summer 2009

Uncertainty quantification and sensitivity analysis of numerical weather prediction

UC Berkeley Physics Department - Berkeley, CA

Staff Research Assistant

2007 - 2008

Wrote software to track movement of biological materials in cells. Also developed biophysics educational tools.

Berkeley Engineering and Research/4D Imaging - Berkeley, CA

Developer

2003 - 2005

Designed and constructed 3d-scanner based on structured light techniques. Founding developer of a startup engineering company.

SOFTWARE

I coordinate and maintain several libraries within Python's numeric computing ecosystem, particularly around efficient and scalable computing.

I am primarily known for my work on [Dask](#), a library for scalable computing with dynamic task scheduling. Dask combines a high-speed task scheduler with parallel algorithms to scale existing Python libraries like Numpy, Pandas, and Scikit-Learn.

More generally though I work with other core developers within the ecosystem to promote the general health and efficiency. I contribute to and maintain dozens of libraries. A more complete record of my contribution is available on GitHub: github.com/mrocklin.

PUBLICATIONS

Today I mostly publish on technical topics online at matthewrocklin.com/blog. Previously I engaged in traditional academic publishing. This page contains references to those works.

Theses

- M. Rocklin, [Modular Generation of Scientific Software](#), 2013, a PhD dissertation.
- M. Rocklin, [Uncertainty Quantification and Sensitivity Analysis in Dynamical Systems](#), 2011, a masters thesis

Papers

- Al-Rfou, Rami, et al [Theano: A Python framework for fast computation of mathematical expressions](#), arXiv preprint arXiv:1605.02688 (2016).
- A. Meurer et al [SymPy: symbolic computing in Python](#), PeerJ Computer Science 3 (2017): e103.
- M. Rocklin, A. Pinar [On Clustering on Graphs with Multiple Edge Types](#), Internet Mathematics, 2012
- E. Constantinescu, V. Zavala, M. Rocklin, S. Lee, and M. Anitescu, [A Computational Framework for Uncertainty Quantification and Stochastic Optimization in Unit Commitment with Wind Power Generation](#). IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, 2010.

Conference Proceedings

- M. Rocklin, [Dask: Parallel computation with blocked algorithms and task scheduling](#), Proceedings of the 14th Python in Science Conference. 2015.
- M. Rocklin, [Uncertainty Modeling with SymPy Stats](#) SciPy 2012
- M. Rocklin, A. Pinar, [Computing an Aggregate Edge-Weight Function for Clustering Graphs with Multiple Edge Types](#). Algorithms and Models for the Web-Graph, 2010
- M. Rocklin, A. Pinar, [Latent Clustering on Graphs with Multiple Edge Types](#) Algorithms and Models for the Web-Graph, 2011

Other

- M. Rocklin, A Pinar, [Spectral Generation and Latent Community Structure of Multiweighted Networks](#), 2010
- M. Rocklin, E. Constantinescu, [Adjoint Sensitivity Analysis for Wind Power Generation](#), 2009
- US Patent 7620209: [Method and apparatus for dynamic space-time imaging system](#)