

Argovis API exposed in a Python Jupyter notebook: an easy access to Argo profiles, weather events, and gridded products

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Abstract

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https://github.com/earthcube2020/ec20_tucker_etal

