

Build a Dashboard Application with Plotly Dash

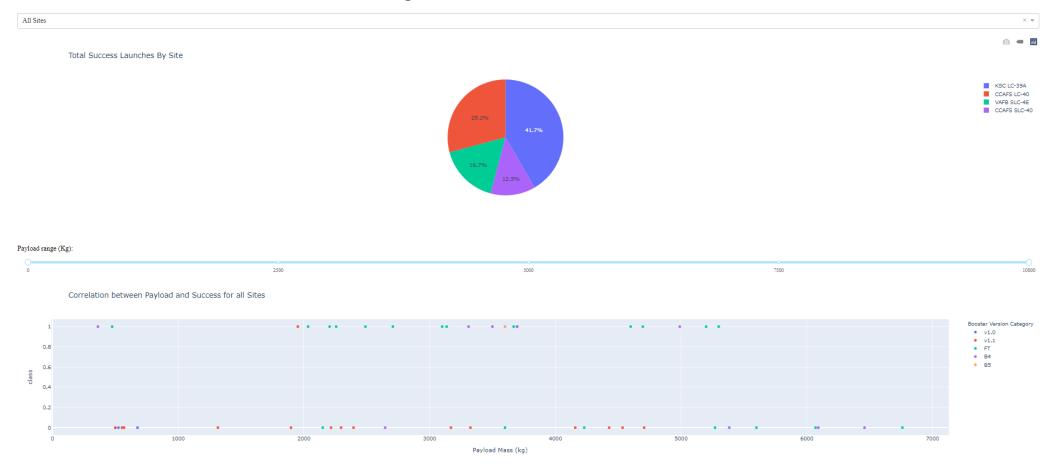
In this lab, you will be building a Plotly Dash application for users to perform interactive visual analytics on SpaceX launch data in real-time.

This dashboard application contains input components such as a dropdown list and a range slider to interact with a pie chart and a scatter point chart. You will be guided to build this dashboard application via the following tasks:

- TASK 1: Add a Launch Site Drop-down Input Component
- TASK 2: Add a callback function to render success-pie-chart based on selected site dropdown
- TASK 3: Add a Range Slider to Select Payload
- TASK 4: Add a callback function to render the success-payload-scatter-chart scatter plot

Your completed dashboard application should look like the following screenshot:

SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard



After visual analysis using the dashboard, you should be able to obtain some insights to answer the following five questions:

- 1. Which site has the largest successful launches?
- 2. Which site has the highest launch success rate?
- 3. Which payload range(s) has the highest launch success rate?
- 4. Which payload range(s) has the lowest launch success rate?
- 5. Which F9 Booster version (v1.0, v1.1, FT, B4, B5, etc.) has the highest

launch success rate?

Estimated time needed: 90 minutes

Important Notice about this lab environment

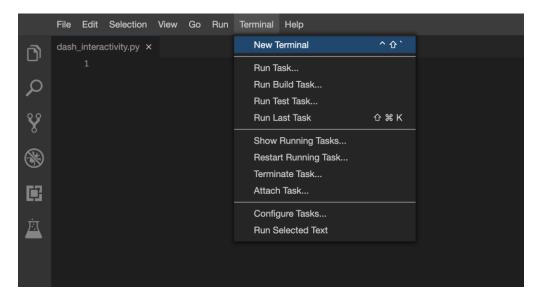
Please be aware that sessions for this lab environment are not persisted. When you launch the Cloud IDE, you are presented with a 'dedicated computer on the cloud' exclusively for you. This is available to you as long as you are actively working on the labs. Once you close your session or it is timed out due to inactivity, you are logged off, and this dedicated computer on the cloud is deleted along with any files you may have created, downloaded or installed.

The next time you launch this lab, a new environment is created for you. If you finish only part of the lab and return later, you may have to start from the beginning. So, it is a good idea to plan your time accordingly and finish your labs in a single session.

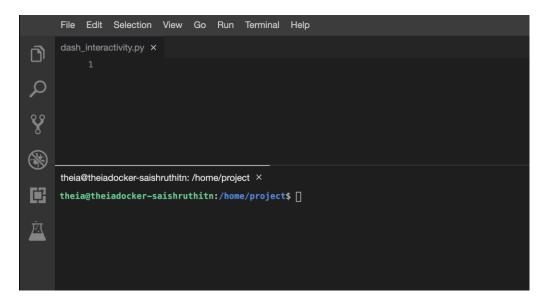
Setup development environment

Install required Python packages

• Open a new terminal, by clicking on the menu bar and selecting **Terminal**->**New Terminal**, as in the image below.

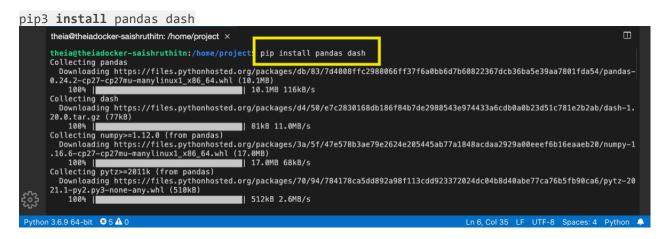


• Now, you have script and terminal ready to start the lab.



• Install python packages required to run the application.

Copy and paste the below command to the terminal.



Download a skeleton dashboard application and dataset

First, let's get the SpaceX Launch dataset for this lab:

• Run the following wget command line in the terminal to download dataset as spacex_launch_dash.csv

wget "https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DS0321EN-SkillsNetwork/datasets/spacex_launch_dash.csv"

• Download a skeleton Dash app to be completed in this lab:

wget "https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DS0321EN-SkillsNetwork/labs/module_3/spacex_dash_app.py"

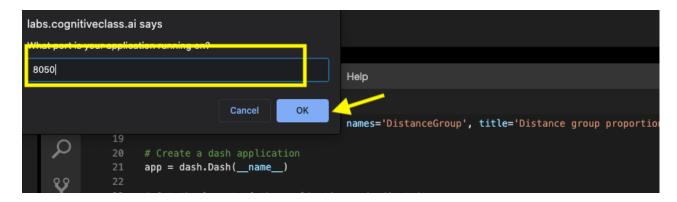
• Test the skeleton app by running the following command in the terminal:

python3 spacex_dash_app.py

Observe the port number (8050) shown in the terminal.

• Click on the Launch Application option from the menu bar.

• Provide the port number 8050 and click OK



• You should see a nearly blank web page indicating a successfully running dash app.

Next, let's fill the skeleton app with required input/output components and callback functions.

TASK 1: Add a Launch Site Drop-down Input Component

We have four different launch sites and we would like to first see which one has the largest success count. Then, we would like to select one specific site and check its detailed success rate (class=0 vs. class=1).

As such, we will need a dropdown menu to let us select different launch sites.

- Find and complete a commented dcc.Dropdown(id='site-dropdown',...) input with following attributes:
 - o id attribute with value site-dropdown
 - o options attribute with a list of launch sites, including a default ALL option
 - o value attribute with default dropdown value to be ALL meaning all sites are selected
 - o placeholder attribute to show a text description about this input area, such as Select a Launch Site here
 - searchable attribute to be True so we can enter keywords to search launch sites

Your completed dropdown menu should look like the following screenshot:

SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

All Sites	
All Sites	
CCAFS LC-40	
VAFB SLC-4E	
KSC LC-39A	
CCAFS SLC-40	

If you need more reference about Dropdown(), refer to the Plotly Dash Reference section towards the end of this lab.

TASK 2: Add a callback function to render success-pie-chart based on selected site dropdown

The general idea of this callback function is to get the selected launch site from site-dropdown and render a pie chart visualizing launch success counts.

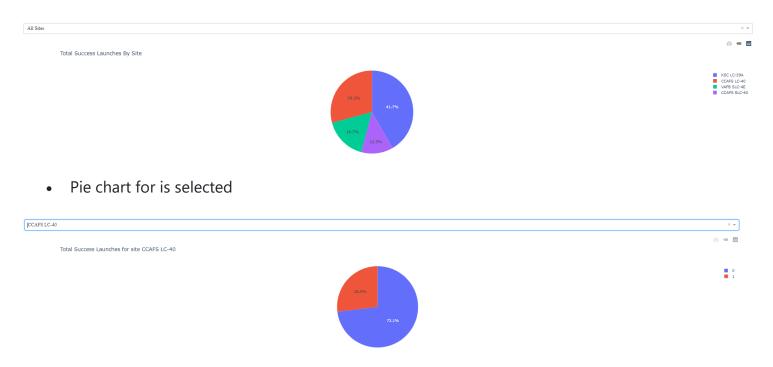
Let's add a call function in spacex_dash_app.py including the following application logic:

- Input is set to be the site-dropdown dropdown, i.e., Input(component id='site-dropdown', component property='value')
- Output to be the graph with id success-pie-chart, i.e., Output(component_id='success-pie-chart', component_property='figure')
- A If-Else statement to check if ALL sites were selected or just a specific launch site was selected
 - o If ALL sites are selected, we will use all rows in the dataframe spacex_df to render and return a pie chart graph to show the total success launches (i.e., the total count of class column)
 - o If a specific launch site is selected, you need to filter the dataframe spacex_df first in order

to include the only data for the selected site. Then, render and return a pie chart graph to show the success (class=1) count and failed (class=0) count for the selected site.

The rendered pie chart should look like the following screenshots:

Pie chart for all sites are selected.



If you need more reference about dash callbacks and plotly pie charts, refer to the Plotly Dash Reference section towards the end of this lab.

TASK 3: Add a Range Slider to Select Payload

Next, we want to find if variable payload is correlated to mission outcome. From a dashboard point of view, we want to be able to easily select different payload range and see if we can identify some visual patterns.

Find and complete a commented dcc.RangeSlider(id='payload-slider',...) input with the following attribute:

- id to be payload-slider
- min indicating the slider starting point, we set its value to be 0 (Kg)
- max indicating the slider ending point to, we set its value to be 10000 (Kg)
- step indicating the slider interval on the slider, we set its value to be 1000 (Kg)
- value indicating the current selected range, we could set it to be min_payload and max_payload

You completed payload range slider should be similar the following screenshot:



If you need more reference about range slider, refer to the Plotly Dash Reference towards the end of this lab.

TASK 4: Add a callback function to render the success-payload-scatter-chart scatter plot

Next, we want to plot a scatter plot with the x axis to be the payload and the y axis to be the launch outcome (i.e., class column). As such, we can visually observe how payload may be correlated with mission outcomes for selected site(s).

In addition, we want to color-label the Booster version on each scatter point so that we may observe mission outcomes with different boosters.

Now, let's add a call function including the following application logic:

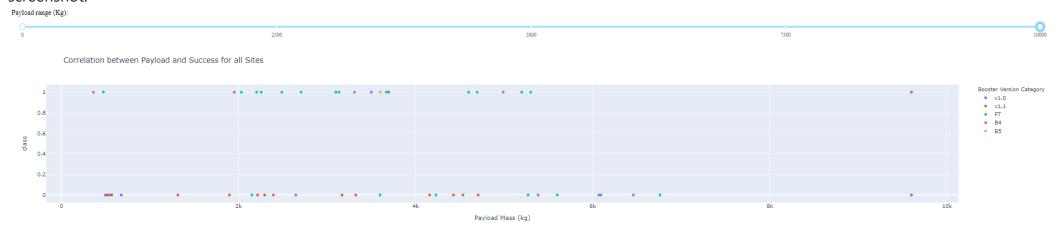
- Input to be [Input(component_id='site-dropdown', component_property='value'), Input(component_id="payload-slider", component_property="value")] Note that we have two input components, one to receive selected launch site and another to receive selected payload range
- Output to be Output(component_id='success-payload-scatter-chart', component_property='figure')
- A If-Else statement to check if ALL sites were selected or just a specific launch site was selected
 - o If ALL sites are selected, render a scatter plot to display all values for variable Payload Mass (kg) and variable class.

In addition, the point color needs to be set to the booster version i.e., color="Booster Version Category"

If a specific launch site is selected, you need to filter the spacex df first, and render a scatter chart to show

values Payload Mass (kg) and class for the selected site, and color-label the point using Boosster Version Category likewise.

You rendered scatter point should look like the following screenshot:



If you need more reference about dash callbacks and plotly scatter plots, refer to the Plotly Dash Reference towards the end of this lab.

Finding Insights Visually

Now with the dashboard completed, you should be able to use it to analyze SpaceX launch data, and answer the following questions:

- 1. Which site has the largest successful launches?
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Plotly Dash Reference

Dropdown (input) component

Refer here for more details about dcc.Dropdown()

Range slider (input) component

Refer here for more details about dcc.RangeSlider()

Callback function

Refer to these **Example Code Snippets** about callback function

Pie chart (output) component

Refer <u>here</u> for more details about plotly pie charts

Scatter chart (output) component

Refer here for more details about plotly scatter charts

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