



WiDS@Google 2022 Datathon

Workshop Preparation

Welcome to WiDS@Google 2022 Dataton Workshop!

To make sure you have a good experience in this workshop, we have put together some "how-to" instructions to get you ready for the workshops. We are looking forward to seeing you in the workshop!

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Where are the workshop materials? How to use github?

We have uploaded the workshop materials to the <u>github repository</u>. If you are not familiar with github, you can take a look at the instructions below.

In short, Github is a code platform for version control and collaboration. Check out this <u>doc</u> if you want to learn more about github.

Here's the <u>github repository</u> for the workshop. Within the repository, you will find all the materials to be used for this workshop.

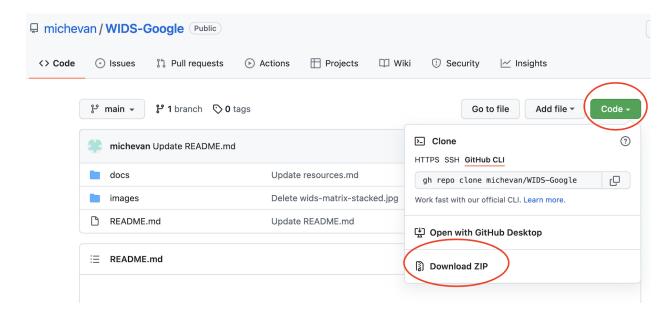
Under the github repository, you will be able to see two main folders:

(Note that this is still work in progress. We will make sure all the materials get uploaded Feb 16th EOD)

- Colab notebooks:
 - WiDS Regression Analysis.ipynb (python code demo for regression problem)
 - Template datathon no solution.ipynb (exercise notebook with no solution)
 - Template_datathon_with_solution.ipynb (solution notebook for hands-on exercise)
- Slides
 - o [WiDS datathon] Intro to DS and ML.pdf
 - [WiDS Datathon] Data Science Code Walkthrough.pdf

If you have a github repository, you can choose to clone our <u>repository</u>. Here are some <u>instructions</u> on how to clone a repository.

If you do not have a github account, you can just download all the materials to your local PC. Click on **code** and then click on **download ZIP** to download all the materials.



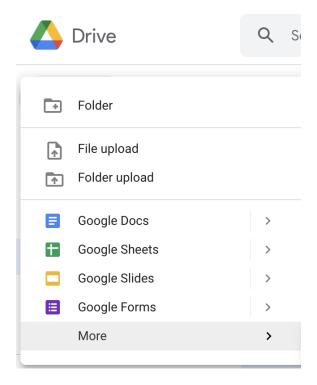
How to use Google Colab?

We will use Google Colab for a python code demo. Also, all the python notebooks we are sharing with you are developed in the <u>Google Colab environment</u>. It is very similar to Jupyter lab, for those who are familiar with that, but Colab includes more features for people to share

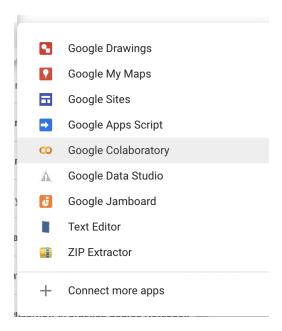
work and collaborate online. In case you are not familiar with Google Colab, you can check out the following instructions.

How to access Python notebooks (.ipynb) from our <u>github</u> repository through Google Colab:

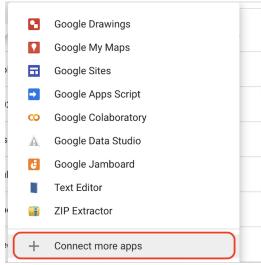
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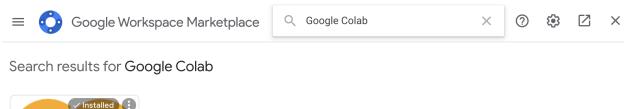
Go to Google Colaboratory



Note: In case you cannot find Google Colaboratory: Go to "Connect more apps"



Clicking on "Connect more apps" will lead you to the Google Workspace Marketplace, by typing "Google Colab" on the search bar, you will find the Colaboratory as shown below. You can click on it and install Google colab

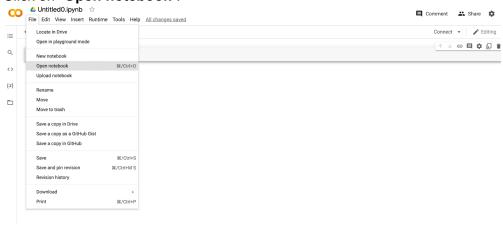




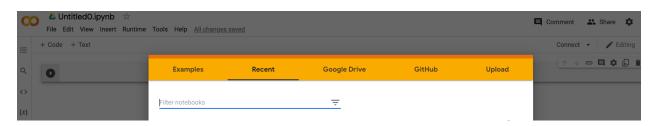
After installing Google Colaboratory, you can follow the steps above to access it.

Clicking on Google Colaboratory will lead you to the brand new colab notebook as below.

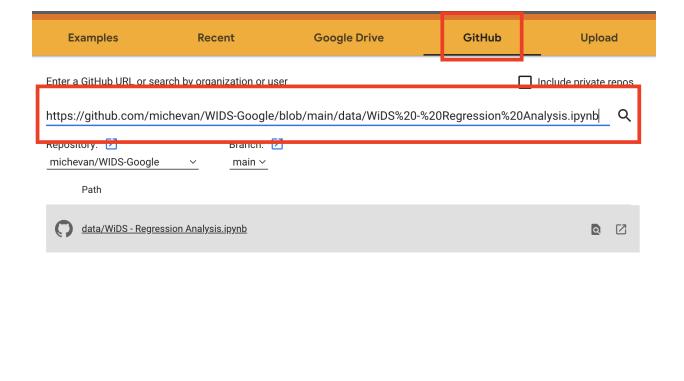
Click on "Open notebook".



Here you can choose to open the colab notebooks that we have prepared for you in a few different ways:



To open the colab directly from our github account, you can click on the "**GitHub**" tab and copy-paste the URL links of the colab notebooks as below and search for the notebook.



Note: You can copy and paste the URLs of the notebooks under the <u>colab_notebook</u> to access the different notebooks we have prepared for you

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By clicking on the notebook, you basically have made a copy of the python notebook from the github account to your local environment.



Next time you come to Google drive, you can find the notebook you have copied directly from google drive.

Here's a helpful beginner video tutorial on how to use Google colab

Where can I find the data for this workshop:

During the speaker session, we will cover how to use python to solve a typical house price prediction regression problem, you can download the data here.

For the hands-on exercise, we will use the data provided by this WiDS datathon. You can find the data here.

How to access csv files (data) on Google Colab notebook:

In the workshop, you can access the data in .csv files in 3 main ways:

- For the Datathon challenge, you can refer to the code in this <u>notebook</u> to use python to download data directly from Kaggle and load the data into pandas dataframe. To download the data, you need to make sure you have created an account on Kaggle, joined the competition, and accepted the competition's terms and conditions. (check out the section below on how to use Kaggle)
- Another alternative is to access the csv files through your google drive

As mentioned above, you can download the data (csv files) from Kaggle and upload the files to your google drive.

To download the data for the python demo regression problem, click here to <u>get house</u> price prediction data.

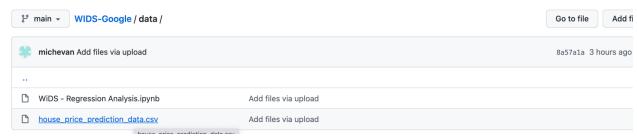
To download the data for the datathon, click here

After uploading the files to your google drive, you just need to follow this video tutorial to load the file from google drive to your pandas dataframe.

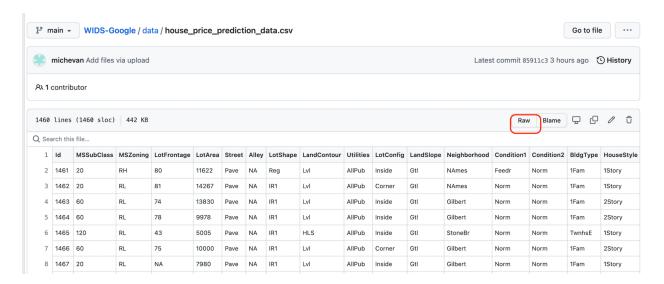
The third way is to access the files directly from the github repository (if you have one)

For instance, if we have a file called house_price_prediction_data.csv file on a github repo as below:

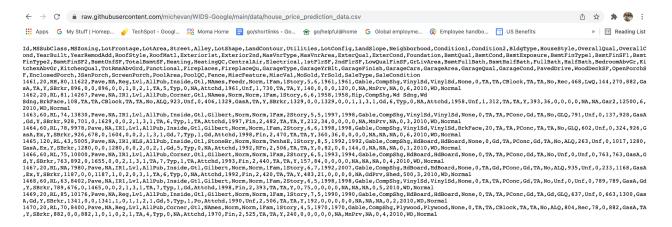
Click on the house price prediction data.csv file:



Click on the "Raw" button:



Copy the url at the address bar:



Paste to replace the url highlighted in yellow with the copied url and use the following code to load the to the pandas data frame.

```
import pandas as pd
url =
'https://raw.githubusercontent.com/michevan/WIDS-Google/main/data/ho
use_price_prediction_data.csv'
df = pd.read_csv(url)
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What is Kaggle and how to access the datathon challenge?

What is Kaggle?

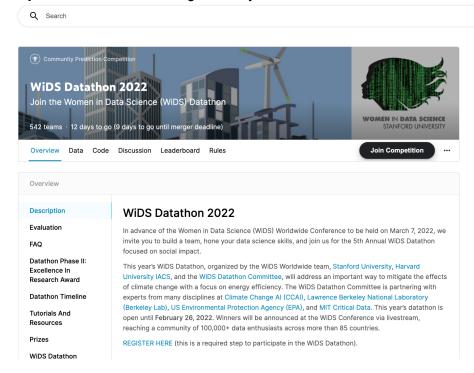
Kaggle is a data science community hosting hackathon competitions and sharing public data sources for data science practitioners to solve data science challenges. This is a helpful <u>post</u> about what Kaggle is and why you should use it if you are not familiar with it.

How to join the datathon?

Step 1: Join the competition

In order to join the competition, you will need to create an account on <u>kaggle.com</u>. If you do not have an account, you can use your email address to create one. It is very straightforward.

Aftering logging into the account, go to the <u>WiDS datathon challenge</u>. Click on the "**Join Competition**" button on the right, then you will be able to access the data.

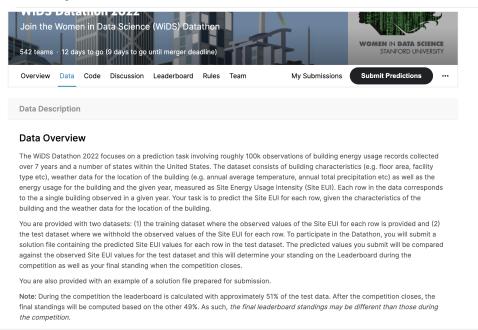


Step 2: Go over the overview of the challenge under the "Overview" tab.

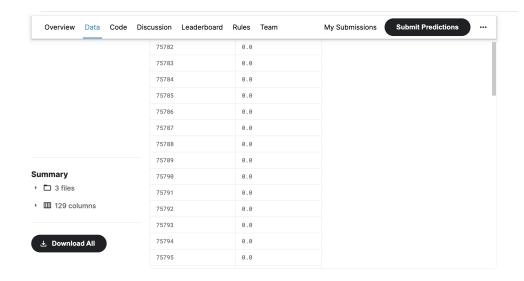
Step 3: Check out the <u>rules</u> of the competition.

One important thing to remember is that the competition can only allow teams of up to 4 members. Within the team, at least 2 of the team members should be women.

Step 4: Go to the <u>Data tab</u> to learn more about the data including the data dictionary.



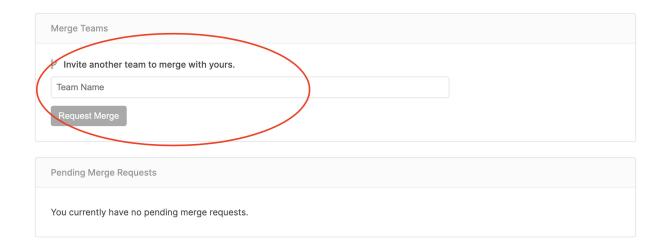
Scroll down to the bottom of the webpage and click on download all to download the data.



You will have 3 files in the download folder: train.csv, test.csv and sample_solution.csv. Use the train.csv to train your model and use the trained model to make predictions on the test.csv. Submit the predictions on the test.csv by using sample solutions.csv as the template.

Step 5: Invite members to your team for collaboration

Make sure your team members/friends have also joined the competition. Go to the team tab here. Add the names of your team members here and request merge. Once your team members have accepted the invitation, then you can collaborate and submit the predictions as a team.



Step 6: Connect and learn from the Kaggle community

<u>Discussion</u> and <u>Code</u> tabs are great resources to learn from how others are tackling the problem.

Step 7: Submit your predictions

Go to the submit tab here to follow the instructions and submit your predictions.

Step 6: Check out the leaderboard

After the submission, you can go to the <u>leaderboard</u> to see how your model performs compared with the rest of the community and reiterate.

Having questions about the tutorials during the speaker session?

Since we have a lot of content to cover during the speaker session, the speakers might not be able to address your questions during the workshop.

However, during the hands-on exercise session, you will be able to connect with other attendees and mentors. Please do not hesitate to ask your questions to the mentors. Even though they are not the ones who put together the tutorials, they will be able to answer more generic questions around data science & machine learning and share best practices.

Having questions about the event?

If you have specific questions about the workshop/instructions, you can contact your hosts <u>Yuka</u> or <u>Sumedha</u> via LinkedIn.

We hope you find this instruction doc helpful and enjoy the event on Friday!

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