## SHOULD YOU LAUNCH A PROJECT ON KICKSTARTER?

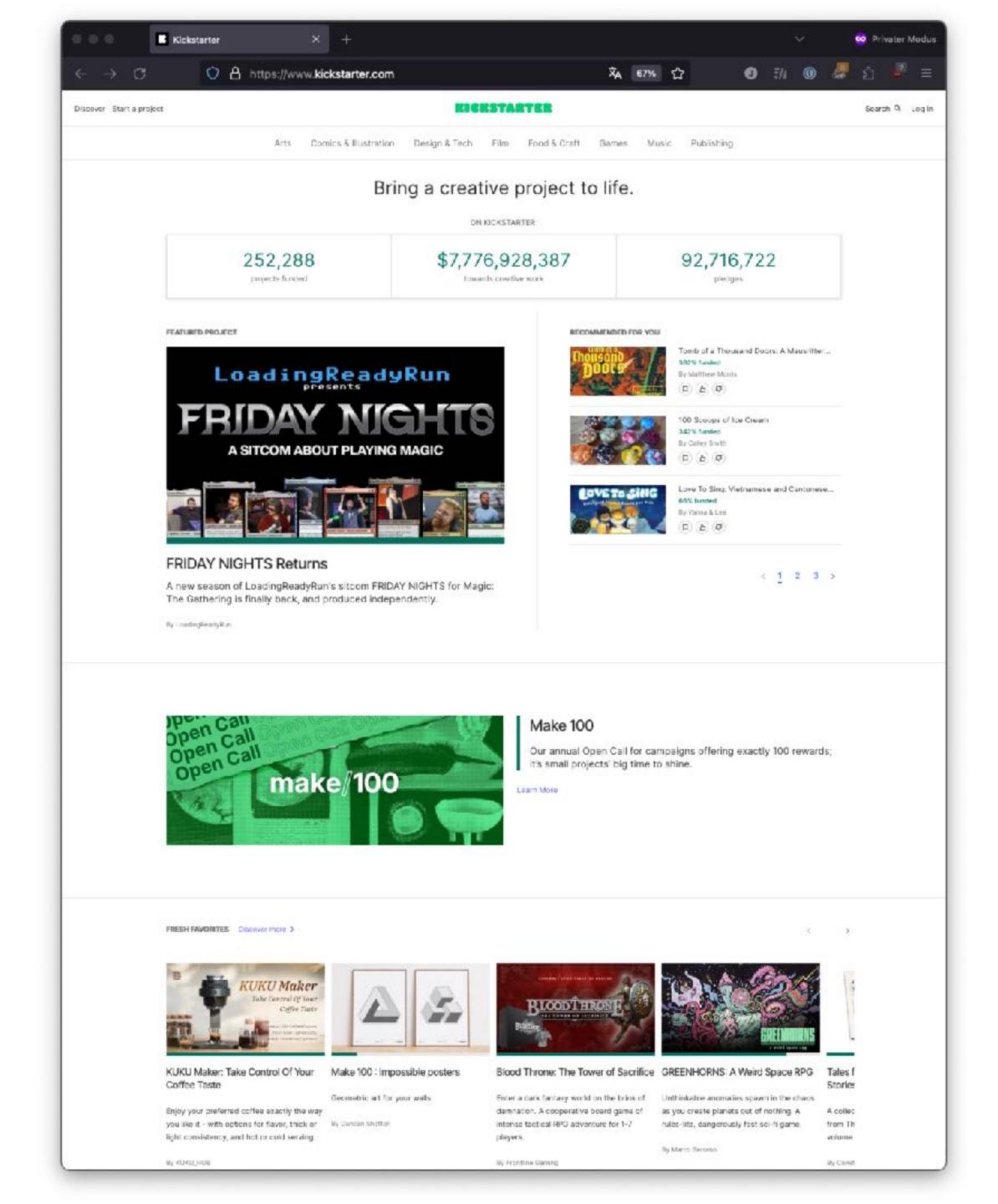
### AGENDA

- 1. What is Kickstarter
- 2. Who we are
- 3. How we can help you
- 4. Limitations & Future Work

## 1. WHAT IS KICKSTARTER?

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- Platform that connects creatives and small businesses like you (=creators) with their audience (=backers).
- Backers can support your project by giving money (=pledge). In return, they receive the finished product.
- Pledges are only collected if a certain minimum goal has been reached (=**funded**).



### 2. WHO ARE WE?

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- Creative team of enthusiastic data scientists.
- We employ the latest in machine learning to make your project a reality.

We're here to help you!

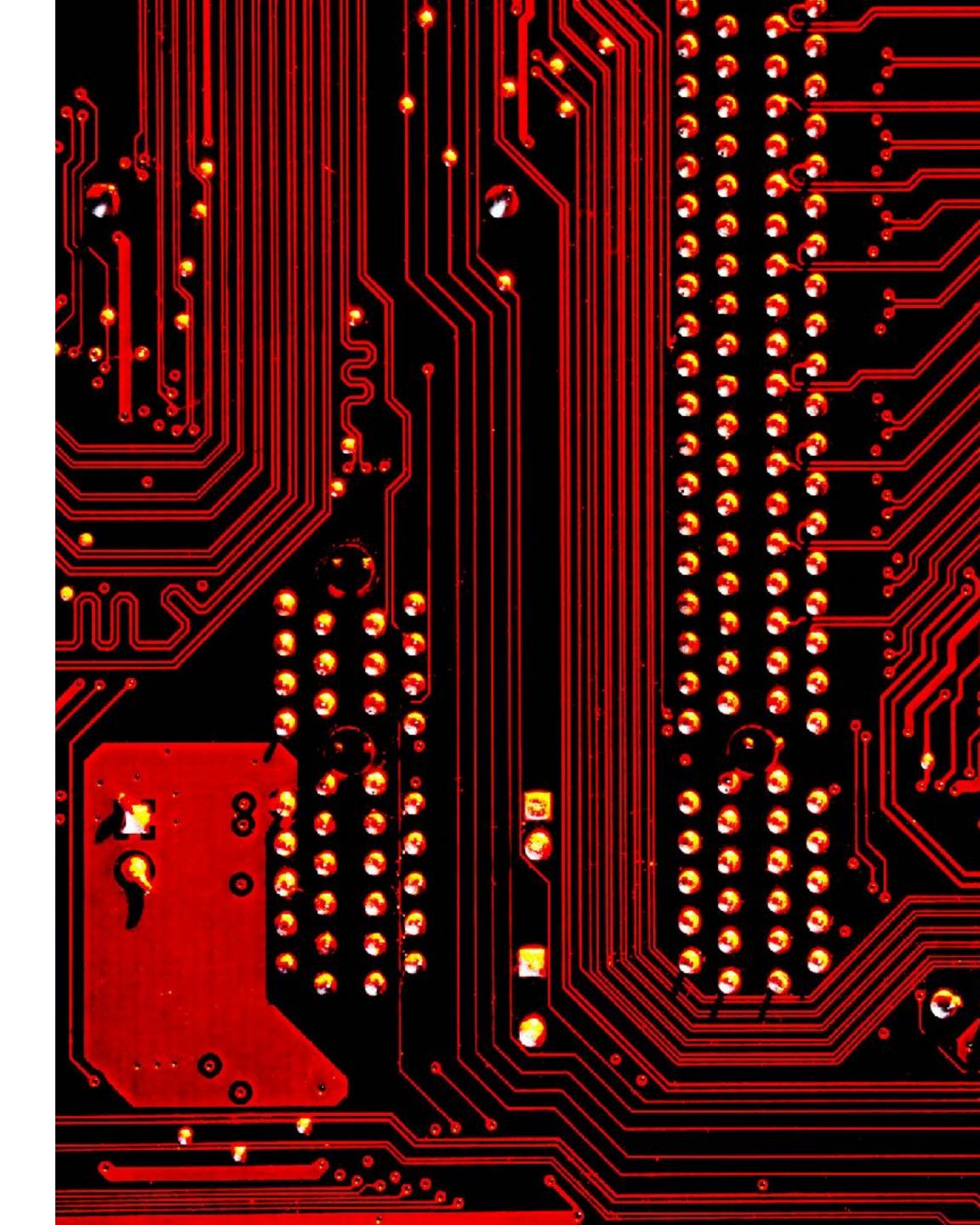


## 3. HOW WE CAN HELP YOU

### "KICK"

KICKSTARTER INTELLIGENT COMPUTER-BASED PREDICTION KERNEL

- Machine learning model to predict if your campaign is going to be successful or not.\*
  - Success: If the campaign will reach its funding goal.
- Trained with data from 210k projects from more than 157k creators over 10 years.
- Only needs few parameters:
  - Goal (in USD), duration in days, category, country(North America vs. Rest of the World), day of the week, month of the year.



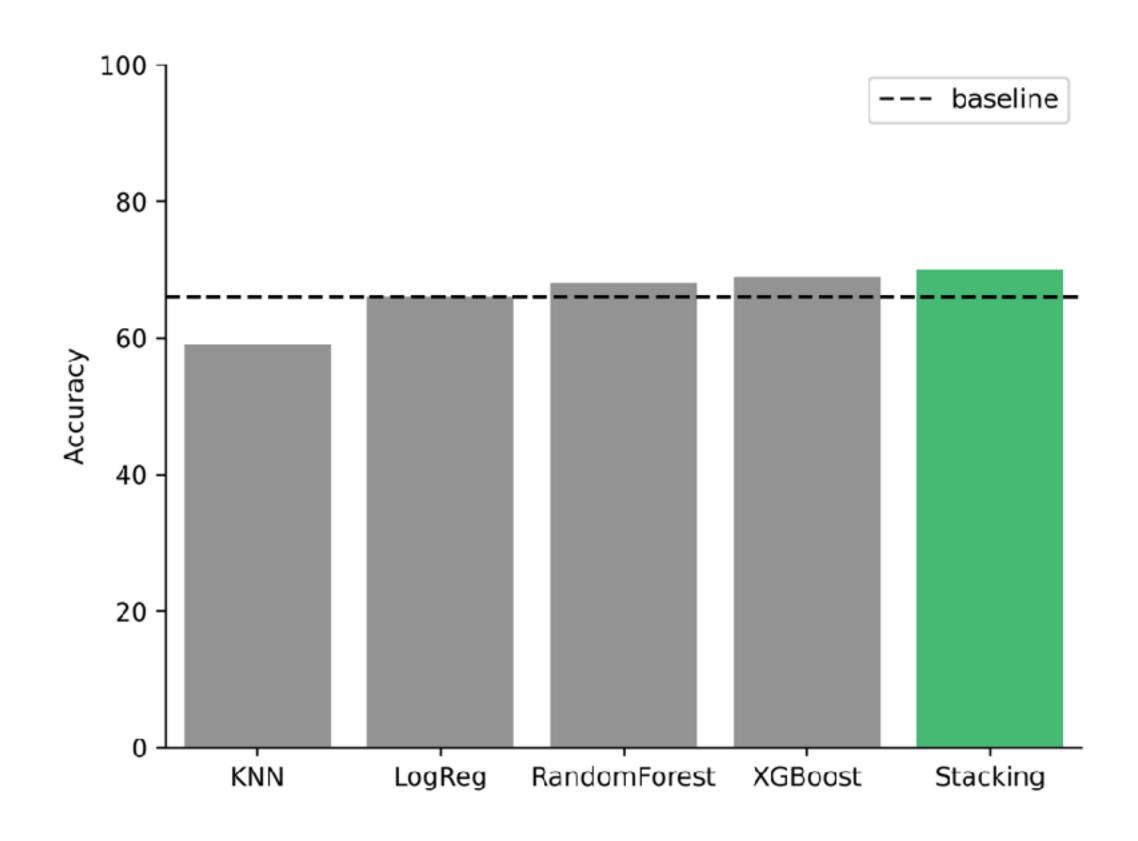
<sup>\*</sup> This model uses a probabilistic algorithm. Please don't sue us if the prediction is wrong.

### FOR THE NERDS...

- Baseline: Logistic Regression
- Advanced models
  - KNN, RandomForest, XGBoost, Stacking
- Best model: Stacking

(RandomForest, Gradient Boost)

Accuracy: 70%, Precision 71%, Recall 83%



### GENERAL ADVICE

- Start your campaign on Tuesday.
- Don't run a campaign during Summer (June
  July) and avoid Christmas time.
- Set a low (but realistic!) funding goal.



## 4. LIMITATIONS AND FUTURE WORK

### LIMITATIONS & FUTURE WORK

- Gather the crowd for the funding
  - Crowdfunding heavily depends on your ability to motivate your fanbase.
- A funded campaign is only the beginning
  - Overfunding, Stretchgoals, KS-Exclusive, Super-Exclusive, Pledgemanager...
    - → If you have to google any of these terms, you should probably book your next meeting with us right away.
- One platform to rule them all
  - Use specific platforms for specific products.

# THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION!