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SMITH DATATHON

UMD SAC Smith Datathon Kickoff

April 19th, 2021

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Thank You

A special thanks to **Professor Moe** and **Professor Elmaghraby**, for letting Deloitte host the 2nd Annual Datathon as part of the Smith Analytics Consortium!

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Overview

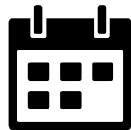
Requirements

Team



4 – 5 students
(mixture of Undergrad /
Graduate)

Timeline



Kick-off/Release Dataset:
4/19 (woohoo!)
**Submission/Preliminary
Judging:** 4/28 @ 5:00PM
Final Presentations:
4/30 (10:00 AM – 1:00 PM)

*Timeline shown later

Technology



Data Visualization:
Tableau 2019.4 (or newer)
(let us know if you need access)

Data Analysis:
Google Colab
Open Source (R, Python, etc.)

Data



(2010 – 2020)
**Photovoltaic (PV) Energy
Generation (MD)**

Submission



1. Packaged Tableau workbook (.twbx)
2. 5 -7 slide presentation
3. 7 min voice-over Presentation

The Smith Datathon enables students to team-up, showcase their data analytics skills, and sprint to the best solution. With the provided dataset, teams will have several days to model and visualize insights before final presentations and judging.

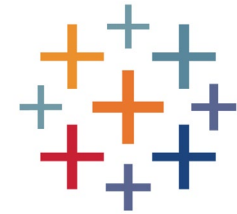
Presentations will be evaluated using several criteria, ranging from technical impact to creativity in approach.

Submission Criteria

A Single .Zip File Containing:

Packaged Data Visualization

File containing the visualization + the data
i.e. packaged Tableau (.twbx)



PowerPoint / Keynote Presentation

5-7 slides to present your insights and solution
(Introduction of Problem / Opportunity,
Findings, Next Steps/Art of the Possible)



Zoom Video

Up to 7 Minute screenshare / audio recording



Teams must submit their **voice-over PowerPoint presentation** and **.ZIP file** to the **Datathon Google Drive** (sent from Professor Moe and Professor Elmaghraby) by **5 pm** on **4/28**.

Schedule

■ Kick-off
 ■ Office Hours
 ■ Deadline
 ■ Final Presentations + Judging

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Week 1 | Apr 19 Kickoff / Overview Problem and dataset are shared. 6:15-7:15PM | Apr 20 Teams work to analyze data, using Core Consulting Series skills, to deliver novel insight. | Apr 21 | Apr 22 | Apr 23 |
| | Apr 26 Teams work to analyze data, using Core Consulting Series skills, to deliver novel insight. | Apr 27 | Apr 28 Solutions Due for Final Judging** Teams submit presentation of analysis and results 5:00PM | Apr 29 | Apr 30 Final Presentations Finalist teams present, winner selected and prize awarded (Virtual) 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM |

*Solutions will consist of each teams presentation (5-7 slides), summarizing their methods and results.

Scoring Rubric

Importance of the Question: The team's solution identifies an impactful hypothesis and provides adequate support behind any assumptions.

1 — 2 — 3 — 4 — 5 — 6 — 7 — 8 — 9 — 10
Strongly Disagree Neutral Strongly Agree

Novelty of the Insight: The solution has a impactful, actionable insight for the client.

1 — 2 — 3 — 4 — 5 — 6 — 7 — 8 — 9 — 10
Strongly Disagree Neutral Strongly Agree

Quality of the Methodology: The team logically structures and defends their problem solving approach.

1 — 2 — 3 — 4 — 5 — 6 — 7 — 8 — 9 — 10
Strongly Disagree Neutral Strongly Agree

Quality of Presentation: The team articulated their solution's business case to the judges at a client facing level.

1 — 2 — 3 — 4 — 5 — 6 — 7 — 8 — 9 — 10
Strongly Disagree Neutral Strongly Agree

Score

Team Number

Grand Score Total

Case Background

Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Power Cells, which were discovered in 1839, have become a key driver towards cleanly producing energy. Despite its popularity, solar energy only accounted for 1.8% of the total U.S. electricity generation in 2019. Due to the increase in climate change awareness, the “Renewables” energy production sector has seen increasing interest from governments around the world.

Of the many benefits that producing, providing, and consuming solar energy already offer, the U.S. Government has also been offering incentives for companies to use solar powered energy and technology. The main Federal incentive is the [Investment Tax Credit \(ITC\)](#), which offers 26% in tax credits for PV systems commencing construction by 2022.



Case Overview

The Terps PV Corporation (TPVC) wishes to break into the state of Maryland PV market and take advantage of the ITC tax credit before 2022. The TPVC has hired your team to craft a compelling business case for developing a PV array in Maryland and recommending the best location for the solar array.

The business case should cover:

- ☐ Why should TPVC consider solar power generation above all other energy sources
- ☐ Analysis of historical revenue from existing MD commercial solar plants
- ☐ Estimate Capital Expense (CapEx) and Operating Expense (OpEx) for building and operating a solar field
- ☐ Projection of solar energy revenue and costs
 - ☐ 5-years (2026)
 - ☐ 10 years (2031)
- ☐ Projected break-even point
- ☐ Create TPVC's Go-to-market strategy in order to secure the position as Maryland's Solar Energy Provider

Releasing...the Data

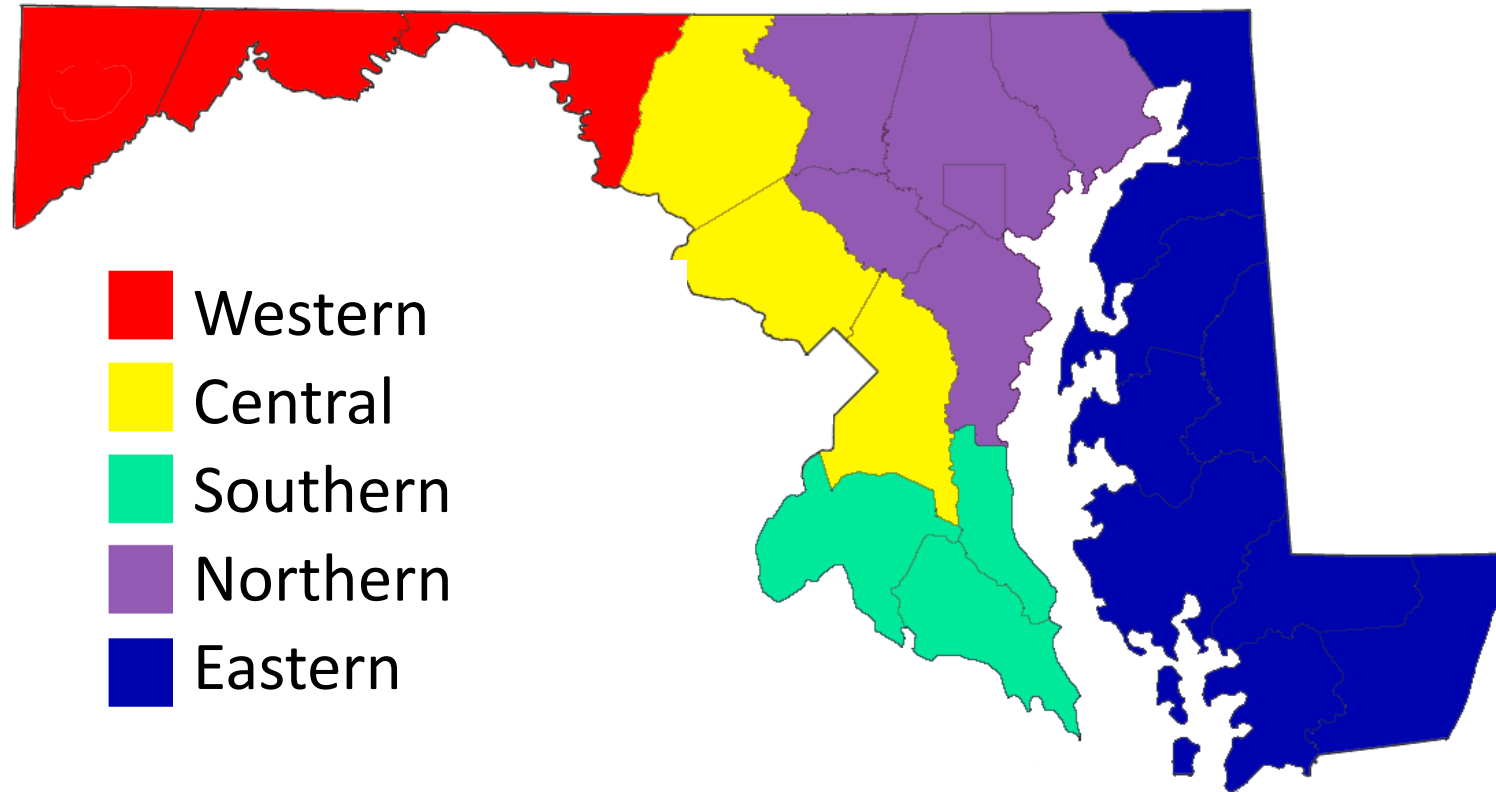
| Data | Value / Link |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PV Energy Generation (MD) [Google Drive] | http://bit.ly/datathonpvdata |
| Solar Array Generation | https://pvwatts.nrel.gov/index.php |
| Land Cost (\$/acre) | Western: \$5,077; Central: \$8,475; Northern: \$10,517; Southern: \$9,622; Eastern: \$6,650 |
| Solar Panel Costs (\$/W) | \$2.96 |
| Electricity Cost (\$/MWh) | \$0.10/Kwh (\$100.00/MWh) |
| Solar Renewable Energy Credit (SREC) | \$75 / MWh (SREC Background) |
| Database of State Incentives for Renewables & Efficiency (DSIRE) | https://www.dsireusa.org/ |



Data Dictionary – Monthly Electricity Generation

| Column | Description |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PlantID | EIA Plant Identification number. One to five digit numeric. |
| Combined Heat & Power Plant | Whether or not the plant is a combined heat & power facility (cogenerator).One character alphanumeric, “Y” or “N” |
| Plant Name | Plant name. Alphanumeric |
| Operator Name | The name of the entity which operates the plant. Alphanumeric. |
| Operator ID | The EIA operator identification number. Five digit numeric, padded with leading zeros. |
| Reported Primer Mover | Type of prime mover: PV = Photovoltaic |
| Reported Fuel Type Code | The fuel code reported to EIA. Two or three letter alphanumeric: |
| AER Fuel Type Code | A partial aggregation of the reported fuel type codes into larger categories used by EIA in, for example, the Annual Energy Review (AER).Two or three letter alphanumeric. |
| QUANTITY_[Month] | Consumption of the fuel type in physical units. Numeric. Note: this is the total quantity consumed for both electricity and, in the case of combined heat and power plants, process steam production. |
| ELEC_QUANTITY_[Month] | Consumption for electric generation of the fuel type in physical units.Numeric. |
| MMBTU_PER_UNIT_[Month] | Heat content of the fuel in millions of Btus per physical unit.Numeric. |
| TOT_MMBTU_[Month] | Total consumption of the fuel in millions of Btus. Numeric Note: this is the total quantity consumed for both electricity and, in the case of combined heat and power plants, process steam production. |
| ELEC_MMBTUS_[Month] | Consumption of fuel in millions of Btus for the purpose of generating electricity. These fields are most relevant to combined heat and power plants. For non-combined heat and power plants, the data in these fields and in columns AK through AV (total fuel consumed) will be identical. |
| NETGEN_[Month] | Net generation of electricity in megawatthours (MWh).Numeric. This is total electrical output net of station service. In the case of combined heat and power plants, this value is intended to include internal consumption of electricity for the purposes of a production process, as well as power put on the grid. |
| TOTAL FUEL CONSUMPTION QUANTITY | Total consumption of fuel in physical units, year to date.Numeric Note: this is the total quantity consumed for both electricity and, in the case of combined heat and power plants, process steam production. |
| ELECTRIC FUEL CONSUMPTION QUANTITY | Total consumption of fuel to produce electricity, in physical units, year to date. Numeric |
| TOTAL FUEL CONSUMPTION MMBTUS | Total consumption of fuel in MMBtus, year to date. Numeric Note: this is the total quantity consumed for both electricity and, in the case of combined heat and power plants, process steam production. |
| ELEC FUEL CONSUMPTION MMBTUS | Consumption of fuel in millions of Btus for the purpose of generating electricity, year to date. This field is most relevant to combined heat and power plants. For non-combined heat and power plants, the data in this field and in column BV (total fuel consumed) will be identical. |
| NET GENERATION (megawatthours) | Net generation, year to date in megawatthours (MWh).Numeric. This is total electrical output net of station service. In the case of combined heat and power plants, this value is intended to include internal consumption of electricity for the purposes of a production process, as well as power put on the grid. |
| Year | Calendar Year for Data |

Regions of Maryland



Team Assignments

| Team # | Team Member | Team Member | Team Member | Team Member | Team Member |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Team 1 | Adam Elshafei | Annabelle Baer | Justyn Alexander | Jason Eisen | |
| Team 2 | Ryan Carfora | Julia Escarda | Preritha Konanur | Winston Hoch | |
| Team 3 | Xiuwei Li | Melis Tuman | John Nidds | Yo Sasatomi | |
| Team 4 | Alexander Leipold | Varsha Ramachandran | Faaiq Zarger | Marianne Benyamin | Adina Arnet |
| Team 5 | Ilona Sirotinin | Alaina Cohen | Claire Lee | Austin Wenck | |
| Team 6 | Justin Friedman | Ryan Finley | Loretto-Marie McInerney | Shuhan Yang | |
| Team 7 | Sarah Patrick | Yasmine Talaminaei | Samuel Ballai | Divya Kapoor | |
| Team 8 | Sarah Alkon | Zoe Rader | Matthew Glady | Haley O'Reagan | |

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|---------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Team 9 | Pradeep Govindaraj | Yi-Hsuan Chen | Jiacheng Liu | Li-Chih Wang | Ting-Yu Liu | Hao Wu |
| Team 10 | Dacruz Norberto | Shantanu Rajesh Patil | Nephi Bradley | Matthew Talley | | |
| Team 11 | Navina Kaur Sethi | Ellen Zhang | Zhuxuan Xu | Maryam Soomro | Huile Zhou | Yahui Chang |
| Team 12 | Annie Hu | Jonathan K Kesten | Paul Newcom | Jingmei Wei | Phuong Huynh | Weiyu Lin |
| Team 13 | Zizheng Wang | Jason S Eisen | Ryan Carfora | Dan Peng | Huan Deng | Ruoning Che |

Technical Support

Facing a technical issue? Can't access the data? Tableau won't load? Reach out to the tech support email box below!

umddatathontechinquiry@gmail.com

Note: To provide an equal playing field, please refrain from asking for technical guidance for your solution.

Additional Resources

| Topic | Link/ Resource | Resource Description |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Data Visualization | Tableau Desktop: https://www.tableau.com/learn/training | Training resources for two of the leading data visualization platforms on the market today. |
| Google Colab | https://research.google.com/colaboratory/faq.html | Frequently asked questions regarding Google Colab and it's capabilities |
| Core Consulting Series (CCS) Modules | http://bit.ly/datathonCCS | A consolidated resource deck containing the outcomes from the CCS workshop on 3/1. |
| Technical Support Mailbox | umddatathontechinquiry@gmail.com | Technical support resource for any issues pertaining to access to data, technology issues, etc. |

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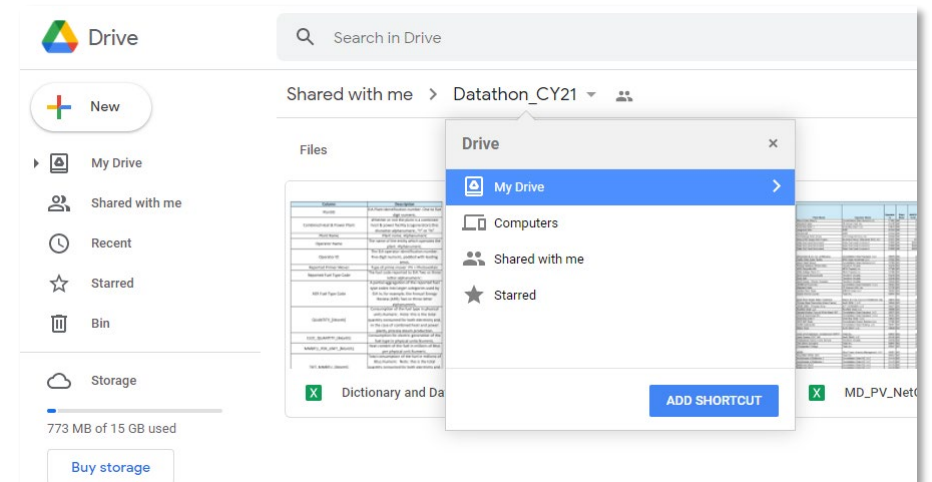
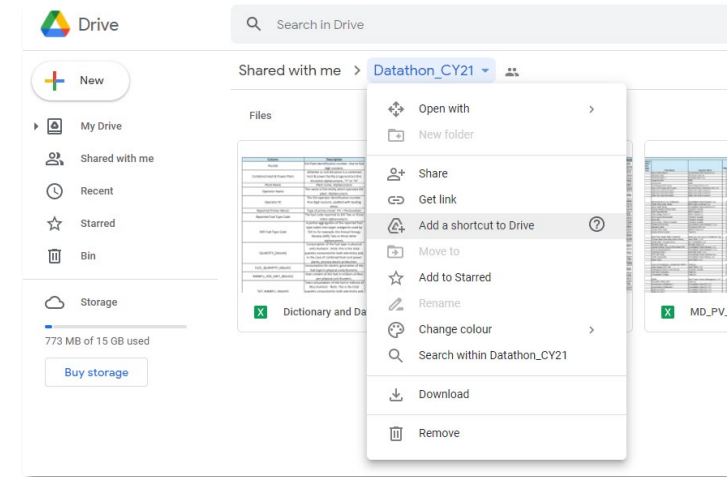
Questions

How To: Connect Google Colab to Google Drive

1 – Add Datathon Files to MyDrive

1. Open the Shared Datathon 'Dathathon_CY21' file
2. Select 'Add shortcut to Drive.'
3. Select 'My Drive' and 'Add Shortcut'

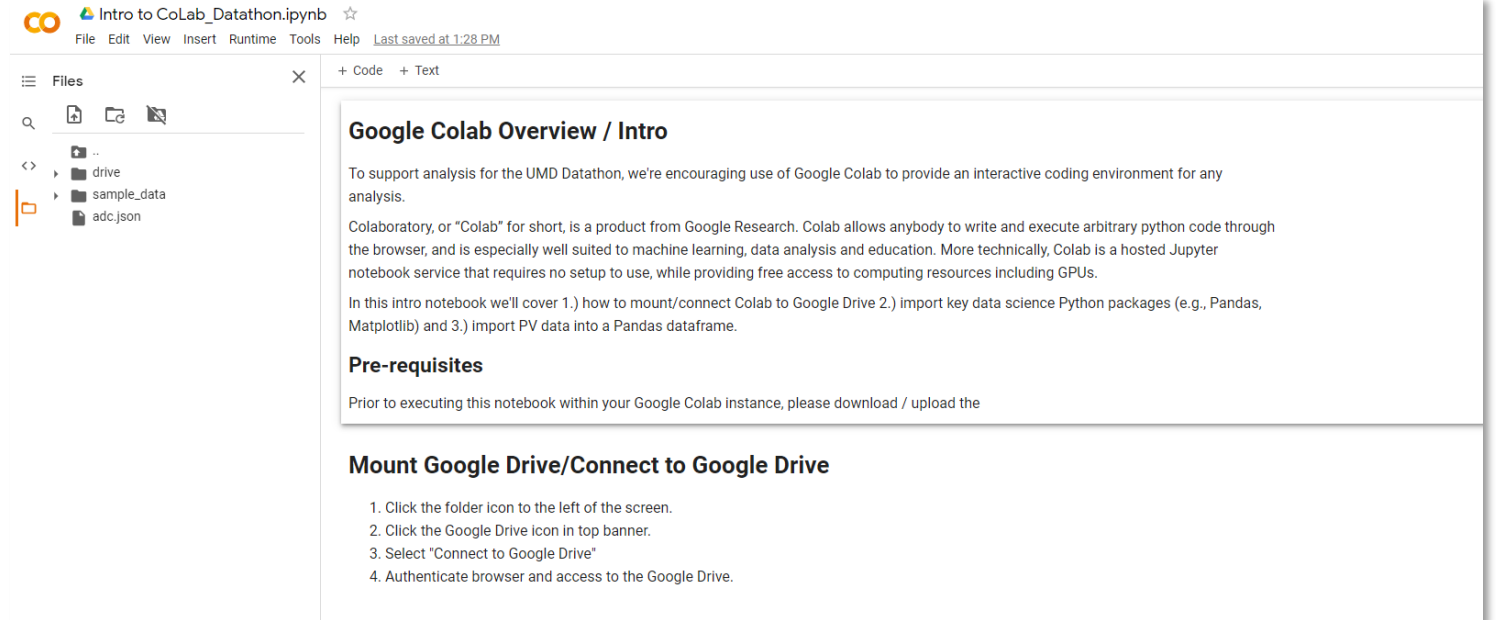
Open My Drive to verify that the files have been
Successfully added.



2- Follow Notebook Directions in 'Intro to CoLab_Datathon_ipynb' to Connect CoLab

[The notebook](#) will walk you through the following:

- Mounting Google Drive/Connecting to Google Drive
- Setting the directory
- Checking Google Drive Contents to ensure necessary files are present
- Importing data



The screenshot shows a Google Colab notebook interface. The title bar indicates the notebook is 'Intro to CoLab_Datathon.ipynb' and was last saved at 1:28 PM. The left sidebar shows a file explorer with a folder named 'drive' containing 'sample_data' and 'adc.json'. The main content area is titled 'Google Colab Overview / Intro' and contains the following text:

To support analysis for the UMD Datathon, we're encouraging use of Google Colab to provide an interactive coding environment for any analysis.

Colaboratory, or "Colab" for short, is a product from Google Research. Colab allows anybody to write and execute arbitrary python code through the browser, and is especially well suited to machine learning, data analysis and education. More technically, Colab is a hosted Jupyter notebook service that requires no setup to use, while providing free access to computing resources including GPUs.

In this intro notebook we'll cover 1.) how to mount/connect Colab to Google Drive 2.) import key data science Python packages (e.g., Pandas, Matplotlib) and 3.) import PV data into a Pandas dataframe.

Pre-requisites

Prior to executing this notebook within your Google Colab instance, please download / upload the

Mount Google Drive/Connect to Google Drive

1. Click the folder icon to the left of the screen.
2. Click the Google Drive icon in top banner.
3. Select "Connect to Google Drive"
4. Authenticate browser and access to the Google Drive.

How To: Create a PV Model on PVWatts

PVWatts Calculator


pvwatts.nrel.gov/index.php

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NREL's PVWatts® Calculator

Estimates the energy production and cost of energy of grid-connected photovoltaic (PV) energy systems throughout the world. It allows homeowners, small building owners, installers and manufacturers to easily develop estimates of the performance of potential PV installations.

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My Location

20740, USA
» Change Location

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RESOURCE DATA

SYSTEM INFO

RESULTS

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SOLAR RESOURCE DATA

The latitude and longitude of the solar resource data site is shown below, along with the distance between your location and the center of the site grid cell. Use this data unless you have a reason to change it.

Solar resource data site

Lat, Lon: 39.01, -76.94

1.1 mi

Resource Data Map

The blue rectangle on the map indicates the NREL NSRDB grid cell for your location. If your location is outside the NSRDB area, the map shows a pin for the nearest available NREL international data site instead of a rectangle. If you want to use data for a different NSRDB grid cell, double-click the map to move the rectangle. *Dragging the*

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Go to system info

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PVWatts Calculator

pvwatts.nrel.gov/pvwatts.php

My Location: 20740, USA
» Change Location

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RESOURCE DATA **SYSTEM INFO** RESULTS

SYSTEM INFO

Modify the inputs below to run the simulation.

Go to resource data


Go to PVWatts® results

RESTORE DEFAULTS

DC System Size (kW): 4 ⓘ

Module Type: Standard ⓘ

Array Type: Fixed (open rack) ⓘ


System Losses (%): 14.08 ⓘ 

Tilt (deg): 20 ⓘ

Azimuth (deg): 180 ⓘ

Draw Your System

Click below to customize your system on a map. (optional)



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On the map below, click the corners of the desired system. Note that the roof tilt and azimuth cannot be automatically determined from the aerial imagery, and consequently the estimated system capacity may not reflect what is actually possible.

System Capacity:

Map Satellite

How To Draw Your System Close X

EXAMPLE

Click on each corner of the perimeter of the system you want draw.

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Draw Your System

Click below to customize your system on a map. (optional)



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System Capacity: 2576.1 kWdc (17174 m²)

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Draw Your System

Click below to customize your system on a map. (optional)


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Draw Your System

Click below to customize your system on a map. (optional)



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RETAIL ELECTRICITY RATE

To automatically download an average annual retail electricity rate for your location, choose a rate type (residential)

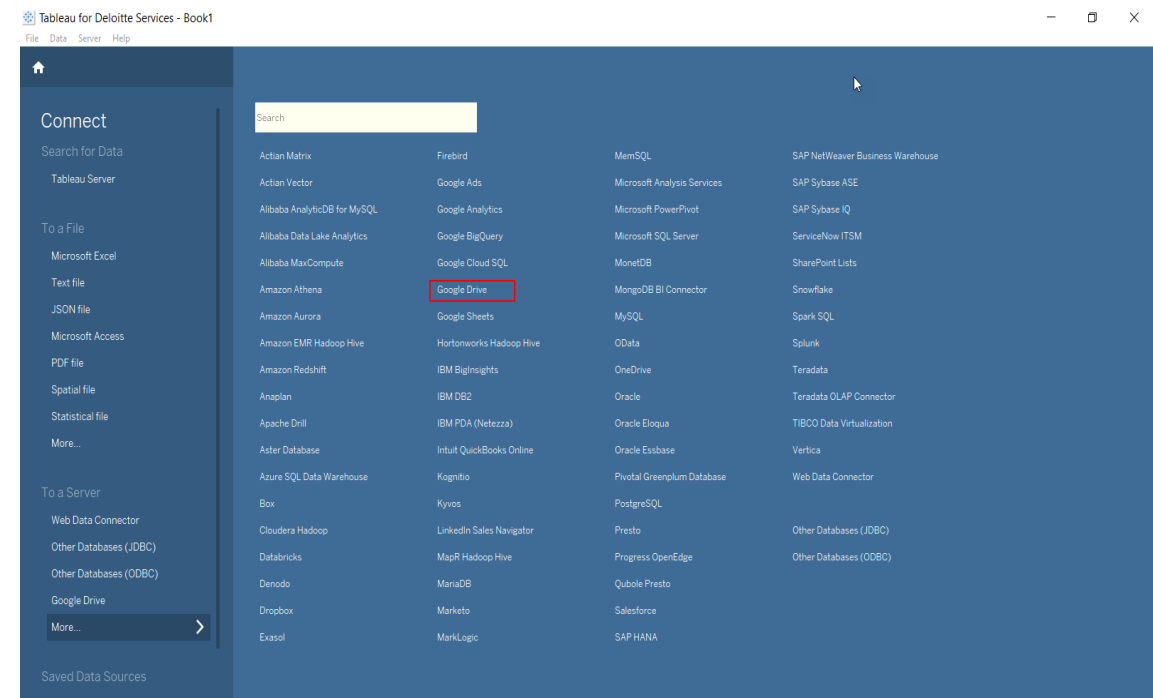
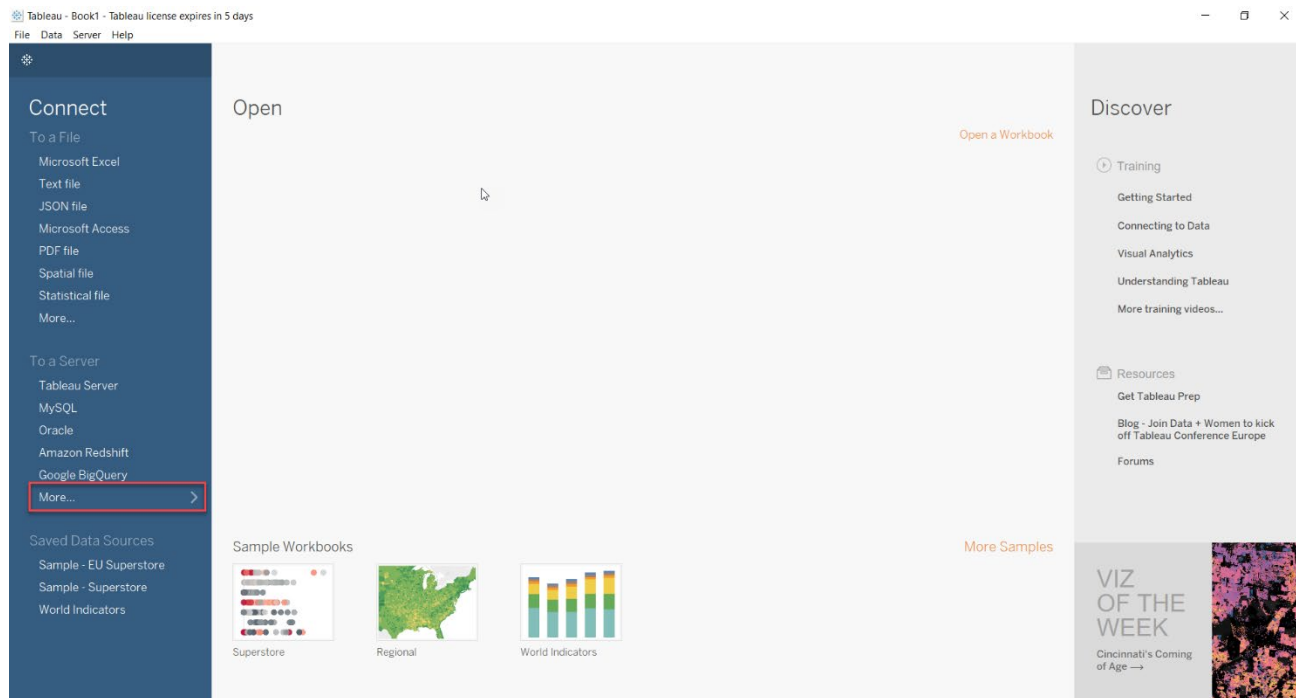


How To: Connect Tableau to Google Drive

1 – Open Tableau and Select Data Connector

This guide will walk you through how to connect Tableau to the Google Drive that is hosting the data for the Datathon. Prior to running through the following steps, please download and store the [Datathon data](#) within your own Google Drive account.

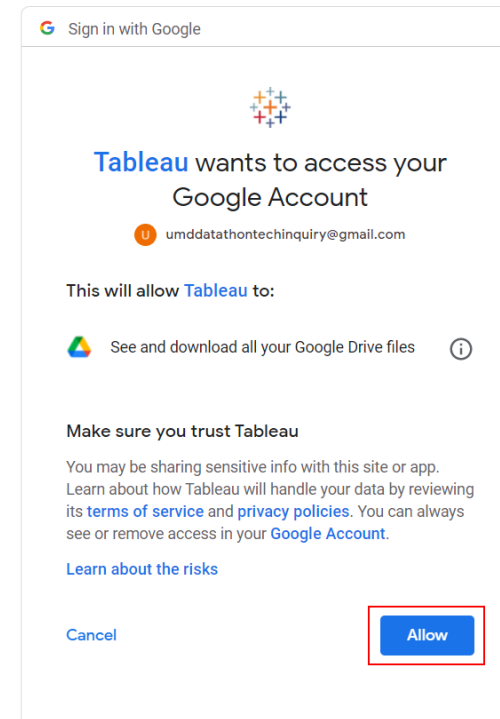
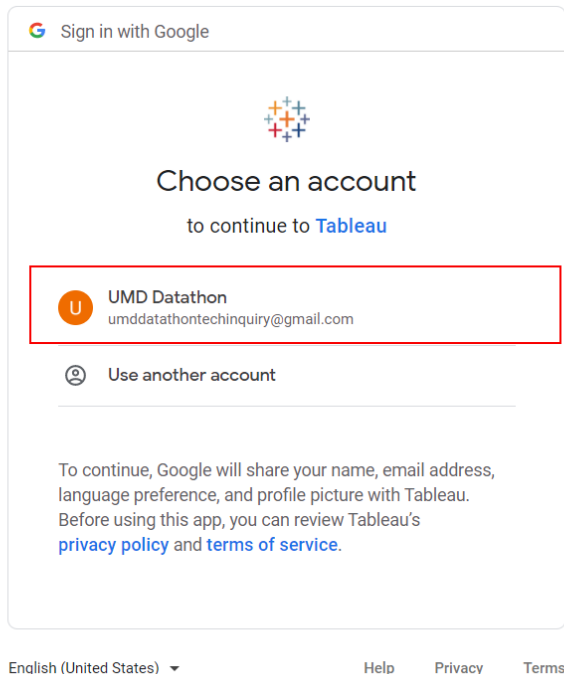
Next, open Tableau and on the left side under “**To a Server**” select “**Google Drive.**” If not shown in the list, select “**More...**” and identify “Google Drive” from the list of options.



2a – Log-in to Google Account (student email)

After selecting “Google Drive” from the options menu, you’ll be prompted to log-in to your Google account. Please use the email you signed-up for the competition with (i.e. [*@rhsmith.umd.edu](#), [*@terpmail.umd.edu](#), [*@gmail.com](#))**

** If you did not sign-up to the Datathon with your University email / Gmail account, please contact the Datathon Help Desk.

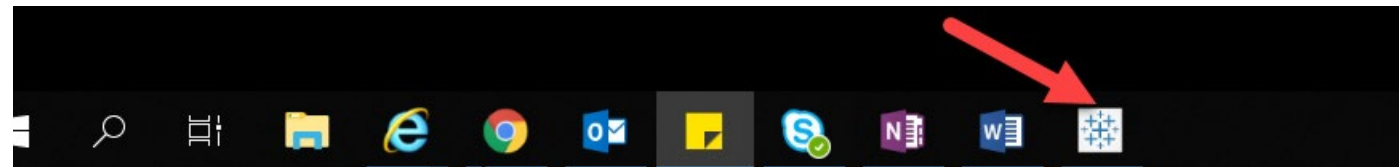


2b – Close out of Browser; Access Tableau

Once signed into your Google Account, you'll be prompted that the browser window will close, you may close your browser at this moment.

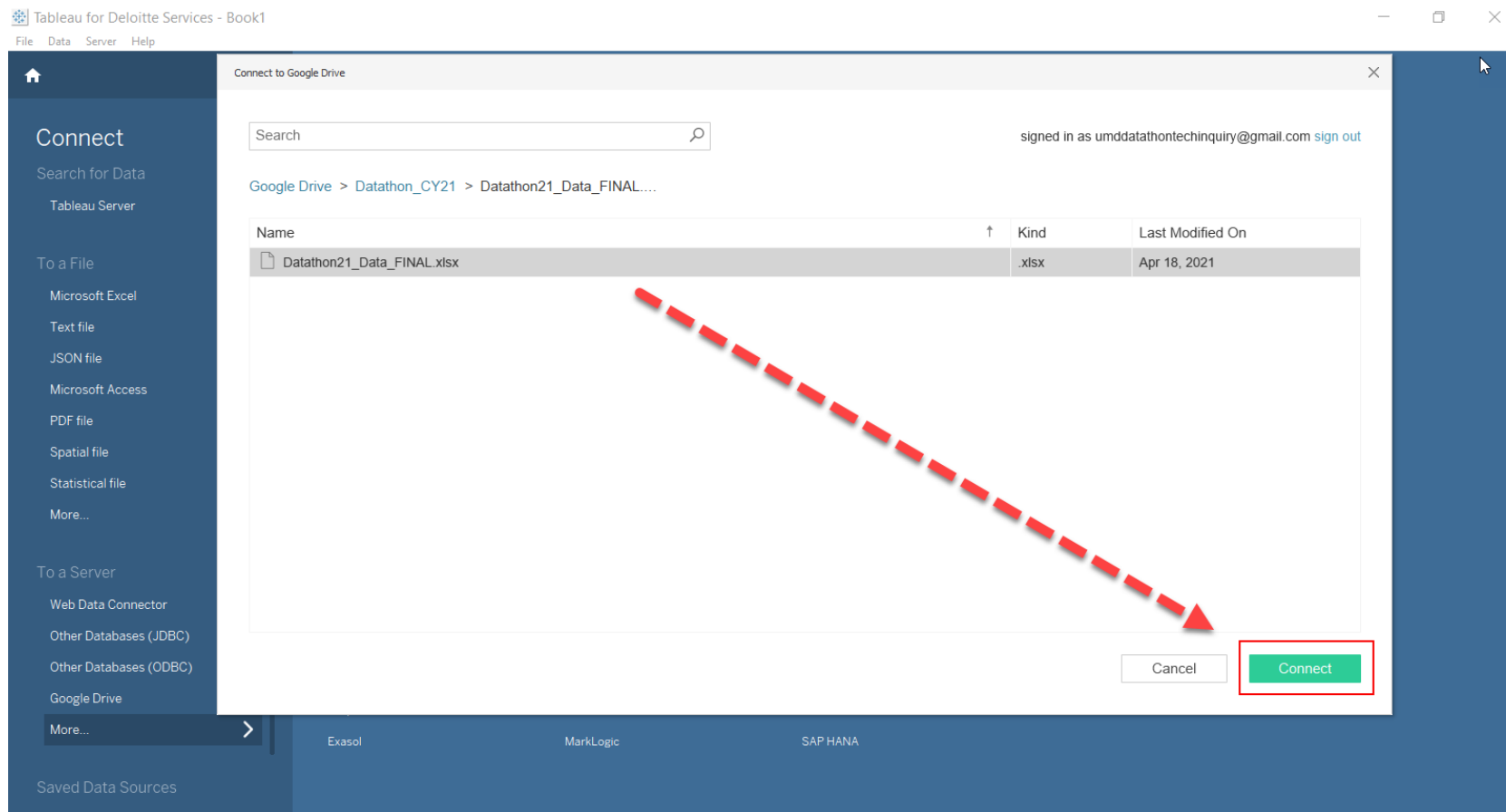
Tableau created this window to authenticate. It is now safe to close it.

On the task bar, locate the 'Tableau' application and click.



3 – Connect to the Datathon Data in Google Drive

Navigate back to Tableau and locate the 'Datathon21_Data_FINAL.xlsx' file within your Google Drive. Select the file and then click 'Connect' to connect Tableau to the data.



4 – Add a Table

After confirming the dataset, three tables should populate on the left panel: **Data Dictionary**, **MD PV Data** and **MD PV Locations**. Click and drag one of the tables into the top input area, and the data should populate into the table view.

Congrats, you've connected Tableau to Google Drive! Good luck with your analysis.

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File Data Server Window Help

Connections

- Datathon21_Data_FINAL (Microsoft Excel (Google Drive))

Sheets

- Use Data Interpreter
- Data Dictionary
- MD PV Data
- MD PV Locations
- New Union

MD PV Data (Datathon21_Data_FINAL)

Connection: ☒ Live ☐ Extract

Filters: 0 | Add

Sort fields: Data source order

Show aliases Show hidden fields 313 rows

| # | Abc | Abc | Abc | # | Abc | # | Abc | Abc | Abc | Abc | Abc |
|--------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|-------------|------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| F1 | F2 | F3 | F4 | F5 | F6 | F7 | F8 | F9 | Total Fuel Con... | F11 | F12 |
| null | Combined Heat And Power Plant | Plant Name | Operator Name | null | Plant State | null | Sector Name | Reported Prime Mover | Tot_MMBtu January | Tot_MMBtu February | Tot_MMBtu March |
| 57,758 | N | Mount Saint Mary's | Constellation Solar Horizons LLC | 57,065 | MD | 22 | NAICS-22 Non-Cogen | PV | 9,288 | 18,006 | 14,649 |
| 58,408 | N | Maryland Solar | CD Arevon USA, Inc. | 61,230 | MD | 22 | NAICS-22 Non-Cogen | PV | 15,219 | 15,290 | 23,376 |
| 59,851 | N | Great Bay Solar 1 | Great Bay Solar I LLC | 59,633 | MD | 22 | NAICS-22 Non-Cogen | PV | 71,659 | 73,137 | 98,222 |
| 60,735 | N | Longview Solar | GSRP | 61,944 | MD | 22 | NAICS-22 Non-Cogen | PV | 10,793 | 12,966 | 17,659 |
| 60,737 | N | Church Hill | GSRP | 61,944 | MD | 22 | NAICS-22 Non-Cogen | PV | 4,987 | 5,619 | 6,812 |
| 60,849 | N | Emmitsburg Solar Arrays | UGI Energy Services, LLC | 60,508 | MD | 22 | NAICS-22 Non-Cogen | PV | 1,558 | 1,621 | 2,306 |
| 62,323 | N | Macy's MD Joppe Solar | Northstar Macy's | 61,821 | MD | 421 | Commercial NAICS Non- | PV | 1,247 | 1,514 | 2,066 |

Data Source Sheet 1