

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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# **Executive Summary**

- Summary of methodologies
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# Introduction

- Project background and context
  - The goal is to predict if the SpaceX Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully. The outcome of the landing of the first stage significantly influences the estimated cost of the delivery of goods into space. This prediction is valuable for our company SpaceY to set a competing price of our services in an auction against SpaceX
- Problems you want to find answers
  - What influences if the rocket will land successfully?
  - The effect each relationship with certain rocket variables will impact in determining the success rate of a successful landing.
  - What conditions does SpaceX have to achieve to get the best results and ensure the best rocket success landing rate.

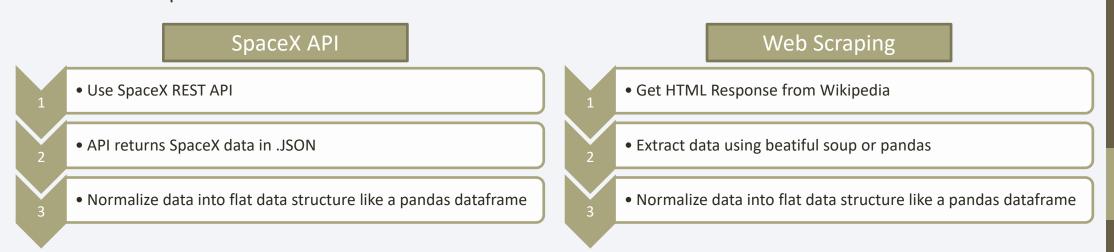


# Methodology

- Data collection methodology:
  - Use SpaceX Rest API
  - Web Scrapping from Wikipedia
- Perform data wrangling (Transforming data for Machine Learning)
  - One Hot Encoding data fields for Machine Learning and dropping irrelevant columns
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
  - Plotting: Scatter plots, bar charts to show relationships between variables to show patterns of data
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
  - How to build, tune, evaluate classification models

# **Data Collection**

- We worked with SpaceX launch data that is gathered from the SpaceX REST API.
- This API will give us data about launches, including information about the rocket used,
- payload delivered, launch specifications, landing specifications, and landing outcome.
- Our goal is to use this data to predict whether SpaceX will attempt to land a rocket or not.
- The SpaceX REST API endpoints, or URL, starts with api.spacexdata.com/v4/.
- Another popular data source for obtaining Falcon 9 Launch data is web scraping Wikipedia using BeautifulSoup.



# Data Collection - SpaceX API

- 1 .Get Response from API
- 2. Convert Response to a .json file
- 3. Apply custom functions to clean data
- 4. Assign list to dictionary then dataframe
- 5. Filter dataframe and export to flat file (.csv)
- GitHub URL: <u>Link</u>

```
spacex_url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"
  response = requests.get(spacex url).json()
   response = requests.get(static_json_url).json()
   data = pd.json normalize(response)
                                    getBoosterVersion(data)
  getLaunchSite(data)
→ getPayloadData(data)
  getCoreData(data)
                                   launch dict = {'FlightNumber': list(data['flight number']),
                                   'Date': list(data['date']),
                                   'BoosterVersion':BoosterVersion,
                                   'PayloadMass':PayloadMass,
                                   'Orbit':Orbit,
                                   'LaunchSite':LaunchSite,
                                   'Outcome':Outcome,
                                   'Flights':Flights,
                                   'GridFins':GridFins,
                                   'Reused':Reused,
                                   'Legs':Legs,
                                   'LandingPad':LandingPad,
                                   'Block':Block,
                                   'ReusedCount':ReusedCount,
                                   'Serial':Serial,
                                   'Longitude': Longitude,
                                   'Latitude': Latitude}
 data falcon9.to csv('dataset part 1.csv', index=False)
```

# Data Collection - Scraping

- 1.Get Response from HTML
- 2. Create BeautifulSoup Object
- 3. Find tables
- 4. Get column names
- 5. Create of dictionary
- 6. Append data to keys
- 7. Convert dictionary to dataframe

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- 8. Dataframe to .csv
- GitHub URL: Link

```
soup = BeautifulSoup(page.text, 'html.parser')
a html tables = soup.find all('table')
                 column names = []
                                                                            launch_dict= dict.fromkeys(column_names)
                 temp = soup.find all('th')
                 for x in range(len(temp)):
                                                                            # Remove an irrelvant column
                     try:
                                                                            del launch dict['Date and time ( )']
                      name = extract column from header(temp[x])
                      if (name is not None and len(name) > 0):
                          column names.append(name)
                                                                            launch dict['Flight No.'] = []
                     except:
                                                                            launch_dict['Launch site'] = []
                       pass
                                                                            launch_dict['Payload'] = []
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                                                                             launch dict['Payload mass'] = []
                                       In [12]:
                                             extracted row = 0
                                                                            launch dict['Orbit'] = []
                                              #Extract each table
                                                                            launch dict['Customer'] = []
                                              for table number, table in enumerate
                                                                            launch dict['Launch outcome'] = []
                                                 for rows in table.find_all("tr")
                                                                            launch dict['Version Booster']=[]
                                                   #check to see if first table
                                                                             launch dict['Booster landing']=[]
                                                                            launch dict['Date']=[]
                                                                            launch_dict['Time']=[]
                     df = pd.DataFrame.from dict(launch dict)
```

df.to csv('spacex web scraped.csv', index=False)

page = requests.get(static url)

# **Data Wrangling**

- Load data into dataframe
- Check for missing values and clean it
- Check data types and see if they make sense
- Overview the data using value\_counts
- Classify outcomes success, failure into 0 and 1 for later use in model

GitHub URL to notebook: <u>Link</u>

# **EDA** with Data Visualization

- Visualize data using:
  - Catplots
    - Using for example (scatterplots using y="LaunchSite", x="FlightNumber", hue="Class")
  - Barplots
    - Sucess Rate vs. Orbit
  - Lineplots
    - Success Rate vs. Year

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# **EDA** with SQL

# Many different questions where asked about the data we needed information. We used SQL to query the data to solve the questions below.

- Display the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission
- Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'KSC'
- Display the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
- Display average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
- List the date where the successful landing outcome in drone ship was achieved.
- List the names of the boosters which have success in ground pad and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000
- · List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
- List the names of the booster\_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass.
- List the records which will display the month names, successful landing\_outcomes in ground pad ,booster versions, launch\_site for the months in year 2017
- Rank the count of successful landing\_outcomes between the date 2010 06 04 and 2017 03 20 in descending order.
- GitHub URL to notebook: Link

# Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- To visualize the Launch Data into an interactive map we took the coordinates (Latitude and Longitude) of each launch site and added a Circle Marker with a label displaying the name of the launch site.
- As we want to analyze the launch outcomes we added a red info sign for failures and a green one for successes.
- Further interesting information was the distance of the launch site to water, railroads and nearby cities.
- GitHub URL to notebook: Link

# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- The dashboard is built with plotly dash and can be published on a website.
- The dashboard includes can be switched between showing all launch sites (LS) or a specific one
  - Donut:
    - All: Donut chart to show the distribution of successful launches by launch sites
    - Specific LS: Success Rate
  - Scatterplot
    - All: Show Correlation between Payload and success for all launch sites
    - Specific LS: Show Correlation between Payload and success for a specific LS
- The individual launches can be filtered by payload mass. This is done with a slider.
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# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

### **BUILD MODEL**

- Load our dataset into NumPy and Pandas
- Transform Data
- Split our data into training and test data sets
- Check how many test samples we have
- · Decide which type of machine learning algorithms we want to use
- Set our parameters and algorithms to GridSearchCV
- Fit our datasets into the GridSearchCVobjects and train our dataset.

### **EVALUATE MODEL**

- Check accuracy for each model
- Tune hyperparameters for each type of algorithms
- Plot Confusion Matrix

### **IMPROVE MODEL**

- Feature Engineering
- Algorithm Tuning

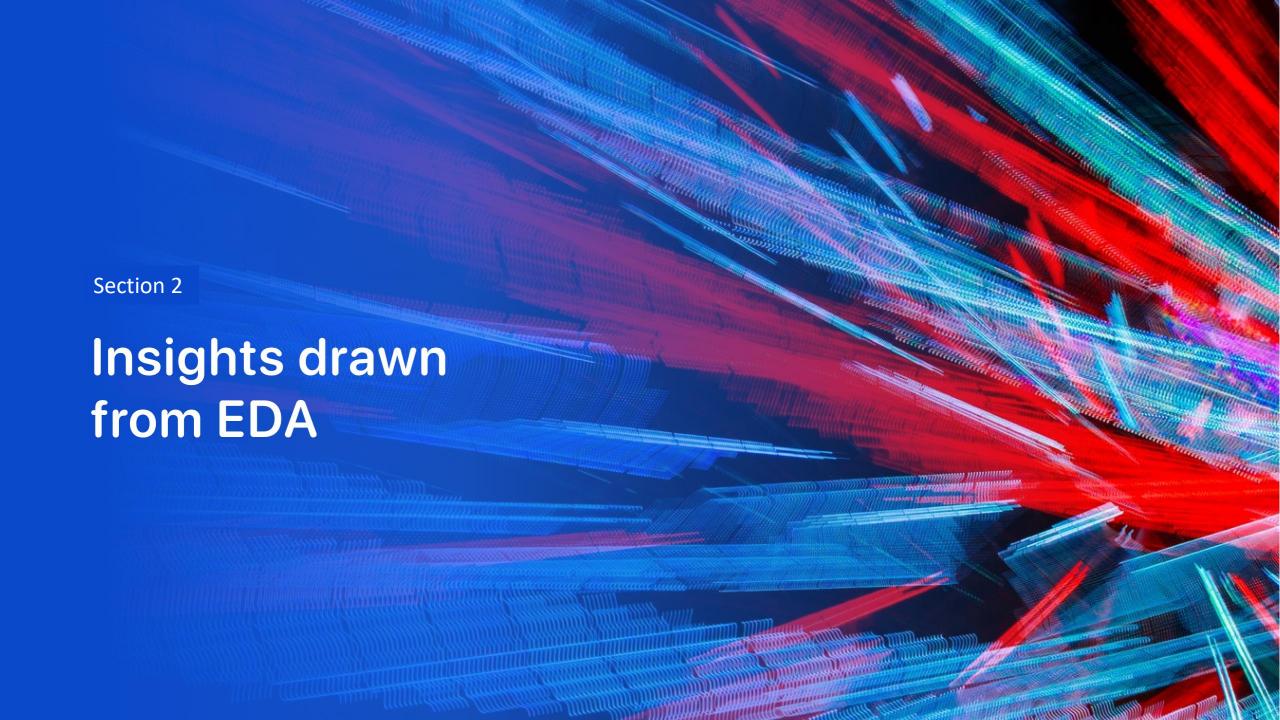
### FIND THE BEST PERFORMING CLASSIFICATION MODEL

- The model with the best accuracy score wins the best performing model
- In the notebook there is a dictionary of algorithms with scores at the bottom of the notebook.

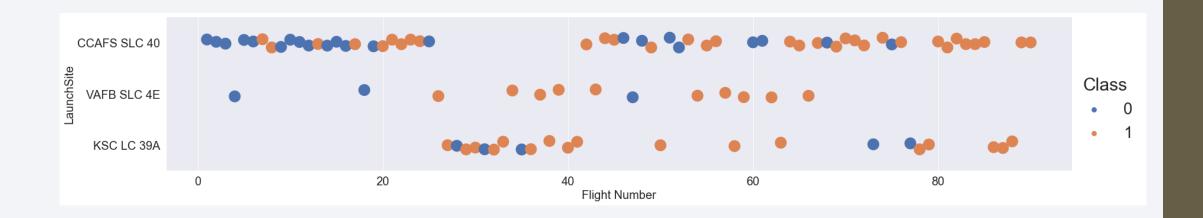
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# Results

- Exploratory data analysis results
- Interactive analytics demo in screenshots
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# Flight Number vs. Launch Site



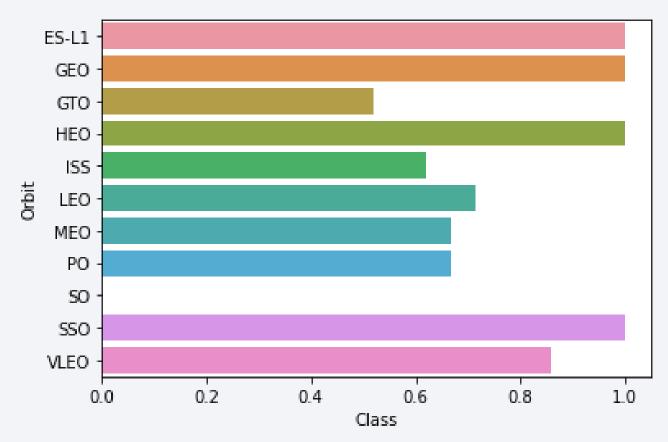
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# Payload vs. Launch Site



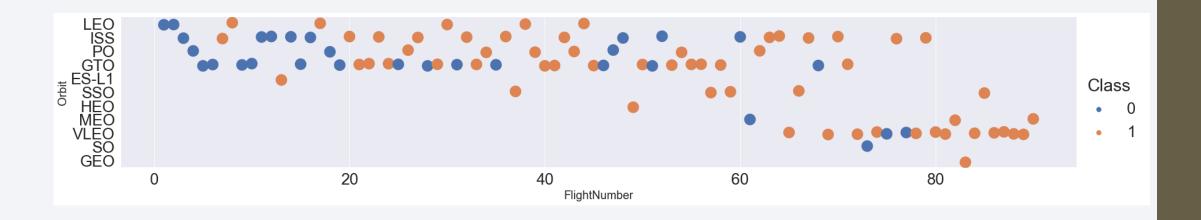
The higher the payload the lower the success probability (Class)

# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



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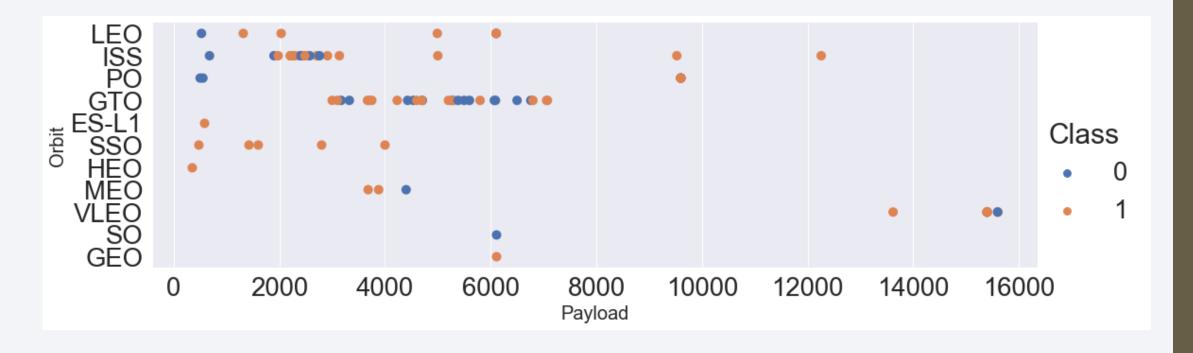
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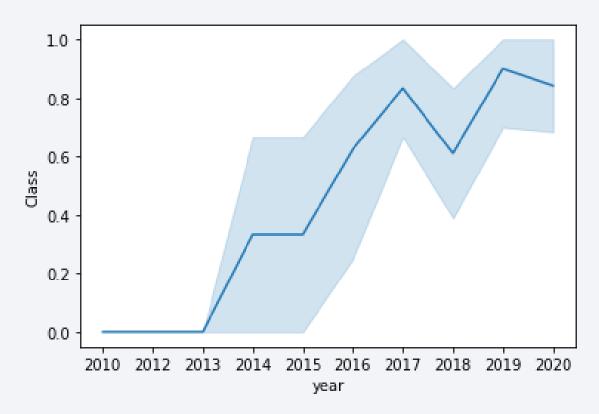
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# Payload vs. Orbit Type



The Payload is correlated to the orbit type.

# Launch Success Yearly Trend



The later the year the higher is the success rate (Class).

# All Launch Site Names

### **SQL Query**

Select unique(launch\_site) from spacexdataset

### Result

launch\_site

CCAFS LC-40

CCAFS SLC-40

KSC LC-39A

VAFB SLC-4E

### **Query Explanation**

Using the word *Unique* in the query means that it will only show Unique values in the *launch\_site* column from spacexdataset

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

### **SQL Query**

Select \*
from spacexdataset
where launch\_site Like 'CCA%'
limit 5

### **Query Explanation**

Use **Like** and **%** to find names with wildcards **Limit** the result set to 5 entries

### Result

	DATE	timeutc_	booster_version	launch_site	payload	payload_masskg_	orbit	customer	mission_outcome
	2010- 06-04	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0	LEO	SpaceX	Success
	2010- 12-08	15:43:00	F9 v1.0 B0004	CCAFS LC-40	Dragon demo flight C1, two CubeSats, barrel of Brouere cheese	0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS) NRO	Success
	2012- 05-22	07:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2	525	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success
	2012- 10-08	00:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-1	500	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success
	2013- 03-01	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-2	677	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success

# **Total Payload Mass**

### **SQL Query**

select sum(payload\_mass\_\_kg\_) from spacexdataset where customer like 'NASA%'

### Result



### **Query Explanation**

Use **Like** and % to find names with wildcards **Sum** the column

# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

### **SQL Query**

select avg(payload\_mass\_\_kg\_) from spacexdataset where booster\_version like 'F9 v1.1%'

### Result

1

2534

### **Query Explanation**

Use **Like** and % to find names with wildcards **Average** the column

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

### **SQL Query**

select min(DATE)
from spacexdataset
where landing\_\_outcome = 'Success
(ground pad)'

### Result

**1** 2015-12-22

### **Query Explanation**

**Take minimum of** the column Contrain with **where** 

### Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

### **SQL Query**

```
select booster_version
from spacexdataset
where landing__outcome = 'Success (drone ship)'
and (payload_mass__kg_ > 4000 and payload_mass__kg_ < 6000)
```

### Result

### booster\_version

F9 FT B1022

F9 FT B1026

F9 FT B1021.2

F9 FT B1031.2

### **Query Explanation**

Selecting only Booster Version

The

WHERE clause filters the dataset to

Landing\_Outcome =

Success (drone ship)

The

**AND** clause specifies additional

filter conditions

Payload MASS KG

4000 AND Payload\_MASS\_KG 6000

### Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

### **SQL Query**

Select

SUM(CASE when mission\_outcome like 'Success%' THEN 1 ELSE 0 END) as successful,

SUM(CASE when mission\_outcome like 'Fail%' THEN 1 ELSE 0 END) as failure

from spacexdataset

### Result

successful	failure
100	1

### **Query Explanation**

Use **CASE** to assign 1 when success and 0 when not successful. **Sum** it up

# **Boosters Carried Maximum Payload**

### **SQL Query**

Select booster\_version from spacexdataset where payload\_mass\_\_kg\_ = (Select max(payload\_mass\_\_kg\_) from spacexdataset)

### Result

# F9 B5 B1048.4 F9 B5 B1049.4 F9 B5 B1051.3 F9 B5 B1056.4 F9 B5 B1048.5 F9 B5 B1051.4 F9 B5 B1049.5 F9 B5 B1060.2 F9 B5 B1051.6 F9 B5 B1060.3 F9 B5 B1049.7

booster\_version

### **Query Explanation**

Use **Subquery** to find the maximum payload first.

Then compare the payload mass from the table and return when it matches.

# 2015 Launch Records

### **SQL Query**

select booster\_version, launch\_site, DATE from spacexdataset where landing\_\_outcome = 'Failure (drone ship)' and YEAR(DATE) = '2015'

### Result

booster_version	launch_site	DATE
F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40	2015-01-10
F9 v1.1 B1015	CCAFS LC-40	2015-04-14

### **Query Explanation**

Get **Year** of the date column and compare if it is in the year 2015.

And if it is a failure

## Rank Landing Outcomes Between 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20

### **SQL Query**

Select landing\_\_outcome, Count(\*) as Count from spacexdataset where (landing\_\_outcome = 'Failure (drone ship)' or landing\_\_outcome = 'Success (ground pad)') and (Date > '2010-06-04' and Date < '2017-03-20') group by landing\_\_outcome order by Count desc

### Result

landing_outcome	COUNT
Failure (drone ship)	5
Success (ground pad)	3

### **Query Explanation**

**Group by** landing outcome groups the occurences in that column. **Order by** count orders by the count column.

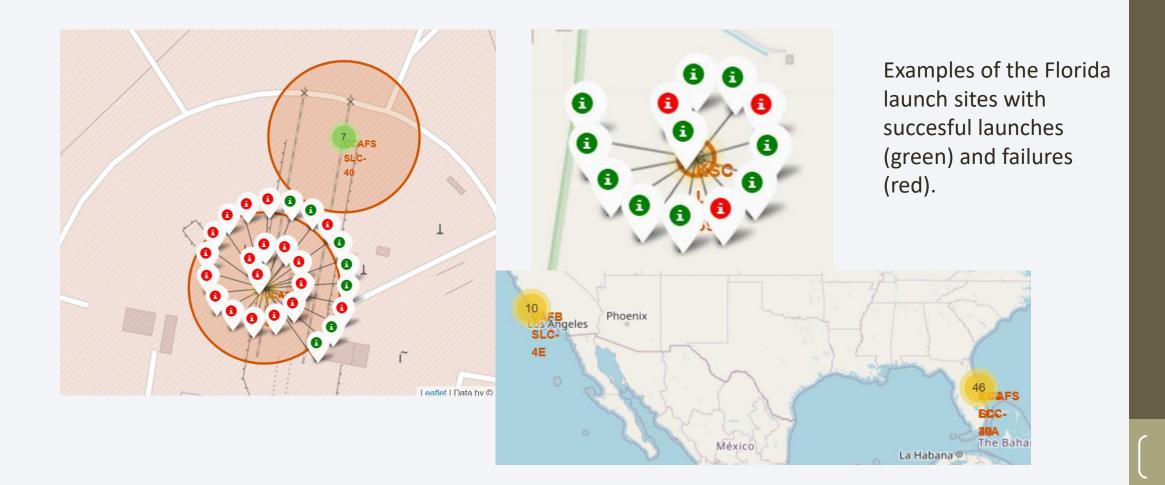


# SpaceX launch Sites

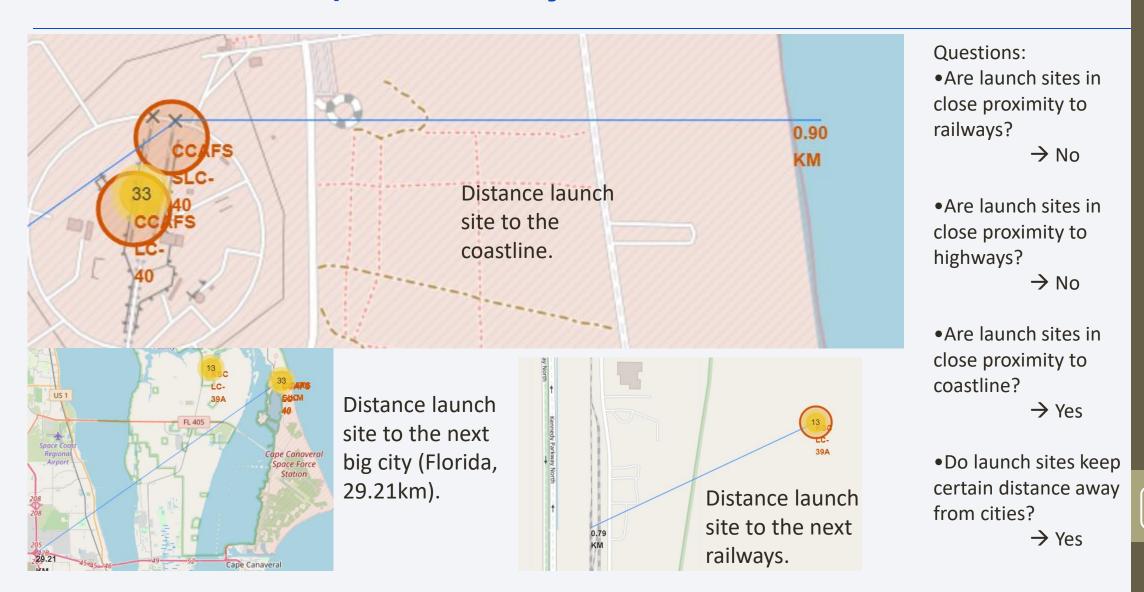


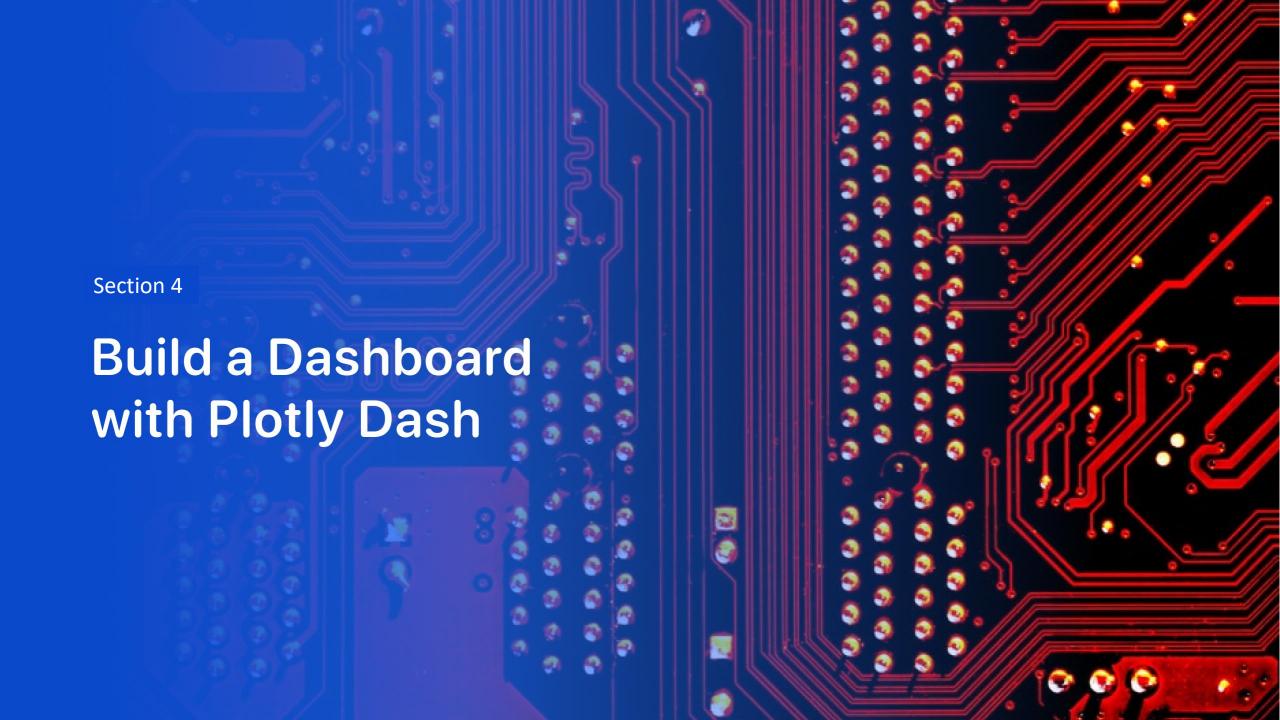
We can see that the SpaceX launch sites are in the west and east coasts of the United States of America.

# Colour Labelled Markers



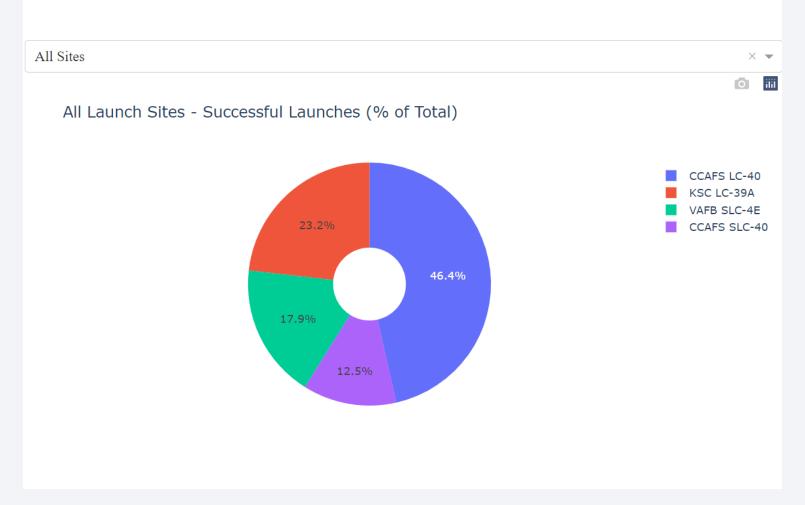
# Distance to Specific Objects





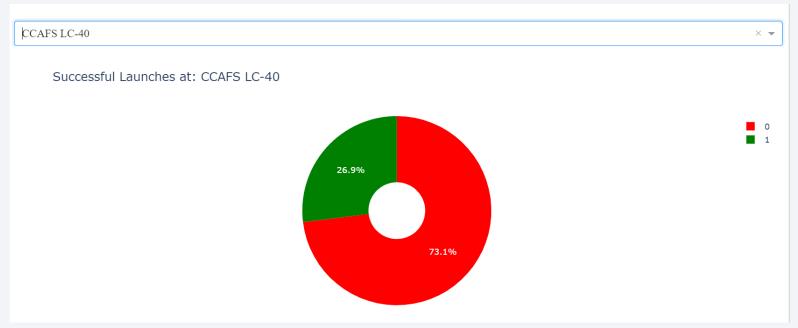
# Successful Launches (% of Total)

# **SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard**



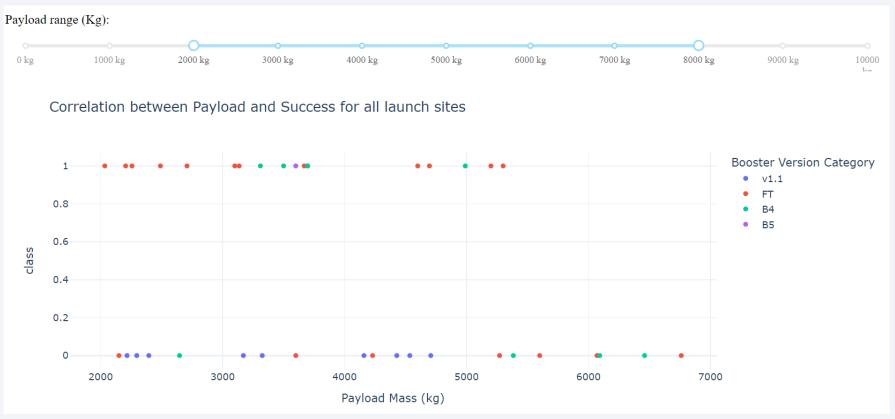
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# Fraction of Successful Launches



Despite that 73.1% of the launches were failures this launch site contributed to most of the successful launches.

# Correlation between Payload and Success



Higher Payload mass leads to failures more often.



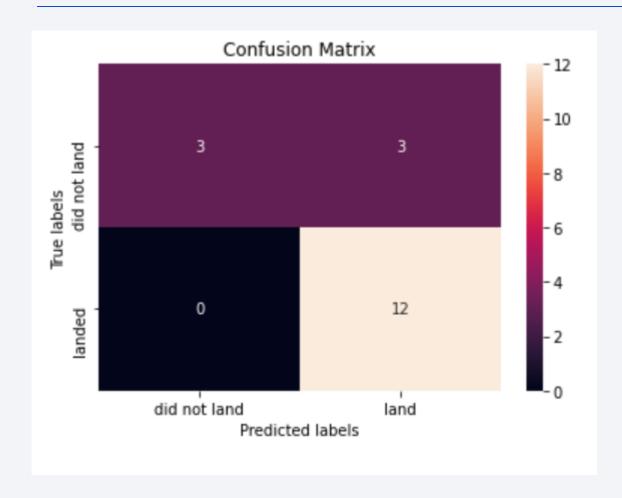
# **Classification Accuracy**



KNN, LogisticRegression and SVM all have a Score of 83.33%

All of these 3 Models seem to be ok to use.

# **Confusion Matrix**



The Confusion Matrix shows the **true labels** in the rows and what the model predicted (**predicted labels**) in the columns.

All 12 successful landings were predicted correctly.

The 6 not failed landings were 3 times predicted as successful and 3 times as failures.

# Conclusions

- What we found:
- Higher Payload → lower probability of success.
- With more launch experience the success rate is higher.
- The biggest share of the successful launches came from launch site: CCAFS LC-40
- The orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO have perfect success rates.

# Appendix

 The calculation and visualization of the results was done with python using Jupyter Notebooks and PyCharm.



