

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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#### **Executive Summary**

- Methodologies:
- Collected data from public SpaceX API and SpaceX Wikipedia page.
- Explored data using SQL, visualization, folium maps, and dashboards.
- Standardized data and used GridSearchCV to find best parameters for machine learning models.
- Visualized accuracy score of all models.
- Results:
- Four machine learning models were produced: Logistic Regression, Support Vector Machine, Decision Tree Classifier, and K Nearest Neighbors that provided similar results with accuracy rate of about 83.33%.
- All models predicted successful landings.

#### Introduction

- Project background and context
- Space X, headed by Elon Musk has been pivotal due to its ability for producing effective rockets.
- Aim of the project is to establish an enterprise, Space Y, to compete with Space X.

- Problems you want to find answers
- To train Machine Learning Model to predict successful landing.



# Methodology

#### **Executive Summary**

- Data collection methodology:
- Perform data wrangling
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models

#### **Data Collection**

Data collection process involved a combination of API requests from Space X public API and web scraping data from a table in Space X's Wikipedia entry.

#### **Space X API Data Columns:**

• FlightNumber, Date, BoosterVersion, PayloadMass, Orbit, LaunchSite, Outcome, Flights, GridFins, Reused, Legs, LandingPad, Block, ReusedCount, Serial, Longitude, Latitude

#### Wikipedia Webscrape Data Columns:

• Flight No., Launch site, Payload, PayloadMass, Orbit, Customer, Launch outcome, Version Booster, Booster landing, Date, Time

#### Data Collection – SpaceX API

GitHub URL of the completed SpaceX API

https://github.com/AJ-

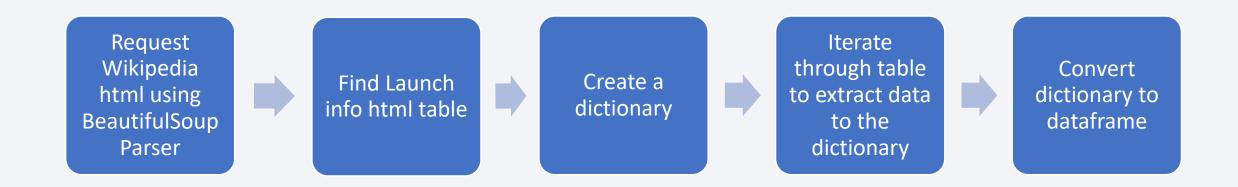
DarKnight/IBM\_DataScience/blob/main/1\_Data%20Collection.ipynb



## **Data Collection - Scraping**

GitHub URL of the completed Data Collection using Scraping and EDA

https://github.com/AJ-DarKnight/IBM\_DataScience/blob/main/2\_EDA.ipynb



## **Data Wrangling**

Exploratory data analysis was used to uncover certain trends in the data and choose the label for supervised model training.

There were several instances of the booster failing to effectively land in the data set. Sometimes a landing attempt fails due to an accident; for instance,

- True Ocean indicated that a mission's outcome was a successful landing in a certain ocean location whereas False Ocean indicated that a mission's end was an unsuccessful landing in a particular ocean zone.
- True RTLS indicated that the mission was accomplished when a ground pad was reached. False RTLS resulted in a failed landing on a ground pad for the mission.
- True ASDS meant that the drone ship was successfully landed at the end of the mission. False ASDS indicated that the drone ship landing attempt had failed.

Here, our major goal was to translate those results into training labels, where 1 denoted a successful booster landing and 0 indicated a failure.

#### **EDA** with Data Visualization

Analysis of exploratory data was done on the factors Flight Number, Payload Mass, Launch Site, Orbit, Class, and Year.

The following plots were used:

Flight Number vs Payload Mass, Flight Number vs Launch Site, Payload Mass vs Launch Site, Orbit vs Success Rate, Flight Number vs Orbit, Payload vs Orbit, and Success Yearly Trend.

In order to determine whether a link between the variables existed so that they could be employed in training the machine learning model, scatter plots, line charts, and bar graphs were used to compare relationships between the variables.

GitHub URL of EDA with Data Visualization:

#### **EDA** with SQL

- Loaded dataset to Database using sqlite by connecting to my\_data1.db due to IBM internal server error 500.
- Queried using %sql Python integration.
- · Queries were made to get a better understanding of the dataset.
- Queried information about launch site names, mission outcomes, various pay load sizes of customers and booster versions, and landing outcomes

#### GitHub URL of EDA with SQL:

https://github.com/AJ-DarKnight/IBM\_DataScience/blob/main/3\_EDASQL.ipynb

## Build an Interactive Map with Folium

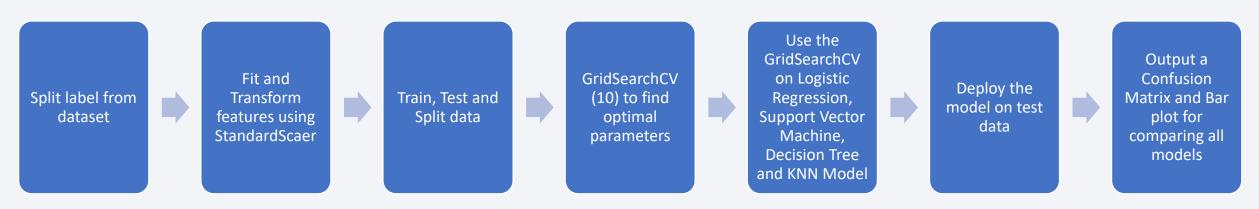
- Launch sites, successful and unsuccessful landings, and examples of important destinations that are close by are marked on folium maps, including railways, highways, coasts, and cities.
- This enables us to comprehend potential reasons for the positioning of launch locations that visualises successful landings in relation to their location as well.
- GitHub URL of EDA with Data Visualization:

https://github.com/AJ-DarKnight/IBM\_DataScience/blob/main/5\_Interactive%20Visual%20Analytics%20with%20Folium%20LAB.ipynb

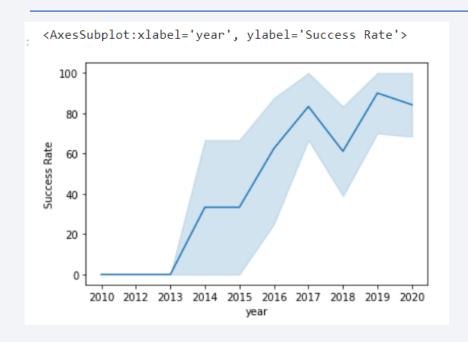
## Predictive Analysis (Classification)

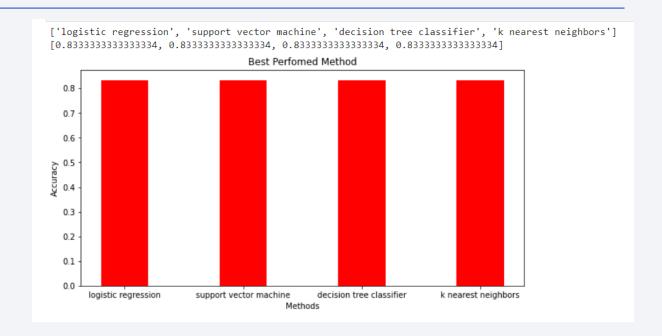
GitHub URL of Classification:

https://github.com/AJ-DarKnight/IBM\_DataScience/blob/main/6\_Machine%20Learning%20Prediction.ipynb



#### Results

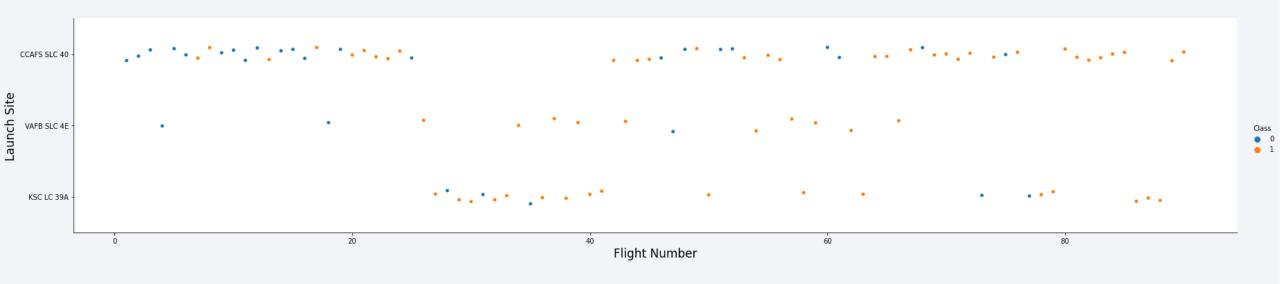




Based on EDA, one can observe that the sucess rate of landing since 2013 kept increasing till 2020 thus a method that performs best using all the hyperparameters was needed where all models resulted in ~83 accuracy for the SpaceY model to be deployed.



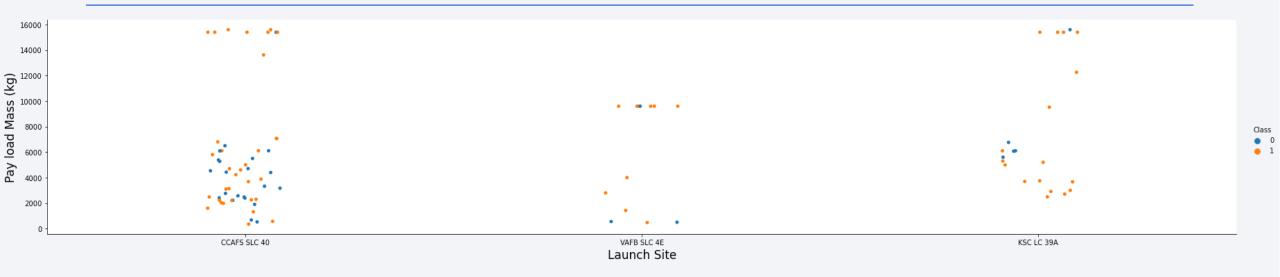
# Flight Number vs. Launch Site



Blue states unsuccessful launches while yellow states successful launch.

The graphic hints to a rising success rate over time, as seen by the flight number. Most likely, there was a huge development around flight 20 that greatly improved the success rate. Given its volume, CCAFS looks to be the primary launch point.

## Payload vs. Launch Site



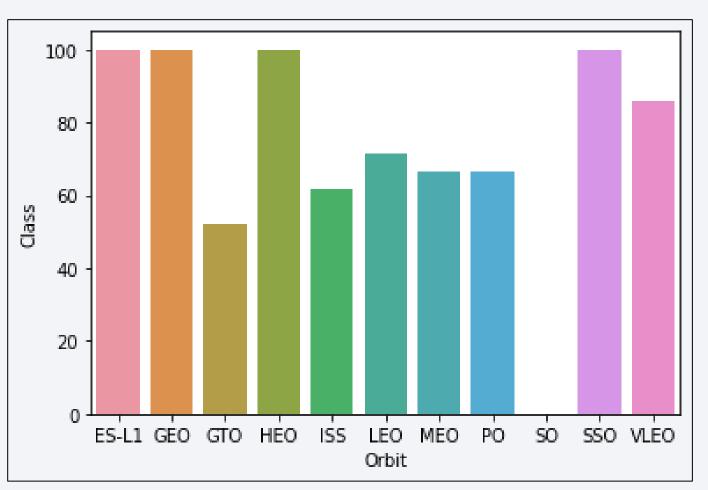
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Payload mass looks to range from 0 to 6000 kg for the most part. Additionally, different launch locations appear to employ various payload masses.

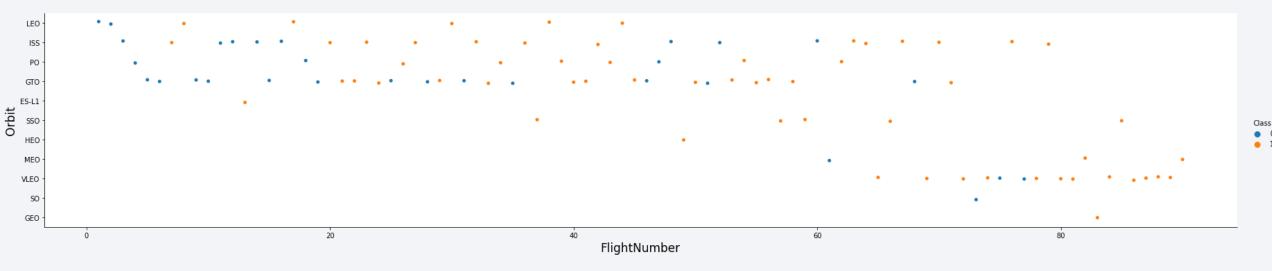
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- ES-L1 (1), GEO (1), HEO (1)
  have 100% success rate
  (sample sizes in parenthesis)
  SSO (5) has 100% success rate
- VLEO (14) has decent success rate and attempts
- GTO (27) has the around 50% success rate but largest sample
- SO (1) has 0% success rate



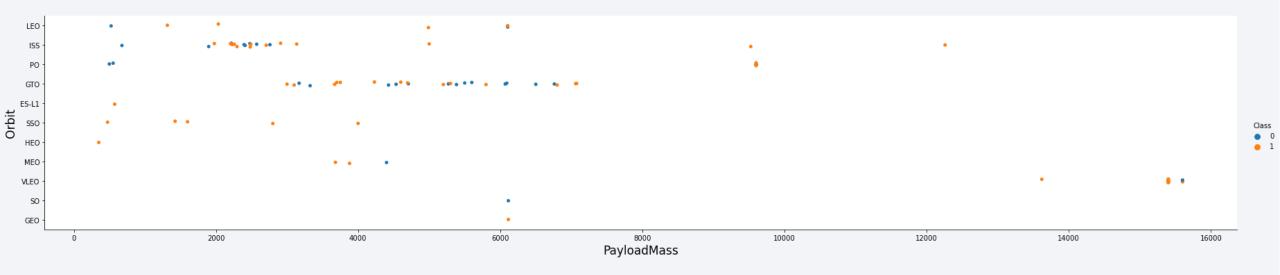
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SpaceX began with LEO orbits, which had some success, then switched back to VLEO in more recent launches, suggesting that it performs better in lower orbits or orbits around the Sun.When choosing Launch Orbit instead of Flight Number, the Launch Outcome appears to be correlated with this decision.

## Payload vs. Orbit Type

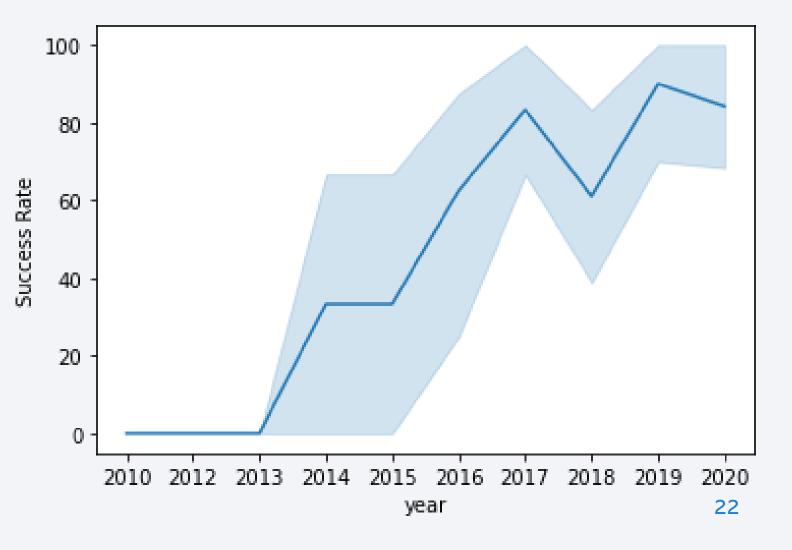


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The payload masses of LEO and SSO appear to be minimal. Only payload mass figures at the upper end of the range are available for the other most successful orbit VLEO. Thus, it appears that orbit and payload mass are proportional.

# Launch Success Yearly Trend

- Since 2013, success has typically risen, with a tiny decline in 2018.
   Success rates in recent
- Success rates in recent years have been around 80%.



#### All Launch Site Names

```
%sql SELECT DISTINCT LAUNCH_SITE FROM SPACEXTBL ORDER BY 1;
 * sqlite:///my data1.db
Done.
 Launch_Site
                Both CCAFS SLC-40 and CCAFSSLC-40 most likely
CCAFS LC-40
                refer to the same launch location with incorrect
                data entry.
CCAFS SLC-40
                The former name might be CCAFS LC-40. Thus,
  KSC LC-39A
                probably only three distinct launch site values can
 VAFB SLC-4E
                be found:
```

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

%sql SELECT \* FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE LAUNCH\_SITE LIKE 'CCA%' LIMIT 5;

\* sqlite:///my\_data1.db

Done.

| Date           | Time<br>(UTC) | Booster_Version | Launch_Site     | Payload  | PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_ | Orbit        | Customer           | Mission_Outcome | Landing<br>_Outcome    |
|----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|------------------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| 04-06-<br>2010 | 18:45:00      | F9 v1.0 B0003   | CCAFS LC-<br>40 | Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit                             | 0                | LEO          | SpaceX             | Success         | Failure<br>(parachute) |
| 08-12-<br>2010 | 15:43:00      | F9 v1.0 B0004   | CCAFS LC-<br>40 | Dragon demo flight C1, two CubeSats,<br>barrel of Brouere cheese | 0                | LEO<br>(ISS) | NASA (COTS)<br>NRO | Success         | Failure<br>(parachute) |
| 22-05-<br>2012 | 07:44:00      | F9 v1.0 B0005   | CCAFS LC-<br>40 | Dragon demo flight C2  | 525              | LEO<br>(ISS) | NASA (COTS)        | Success         | No attempt             |
| 08-10-<br>2012 | 00:35:00      | F9 v1.0 B0006   | CCAFS LC-<br>40 | SpaceX CRS-1   | 500              | LEO<br>(ISS) | NASA (CRS)         | Success         | No attempt             |
| 01-03-<br>2013 | 15:10:00      | F9 v1.0 B0007   | CCAFS LC-<br>40 | SpaceX CRS-2   | 677              | LEO<br>(ISS) | NASA (CRS)         | Success         | No attempt             |

First five entries in database with Launch Site name beginning with CCA.

## **Total Payload Mass**

```
%sql SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) AS TOTAL_PAYLOAD FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE PAYLOAD LIKE '%CRS%';

* sqlite://my_data1.db
Done.

TOTAL_PAYLOAD

111268
```

- CRS, or Commercial Resupply Services, is a designation for the International Space Station, where these payloads were delivered.
- When NASA was the client, this query adds up the total payload mass in kilogrammes.

## Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

```
%sql SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) AS AVG_PAYLOAD FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE BOOSTER_VERSION = 'F9 v1.1';

* sqlite://my_data1.db
Done.

AVG_PAYLOAD

2928.4
```

The average payload mass for launches that utilised booster version F9 v1.1 is determined by this query.

F9 1.1's average payload mass seems to be on the lower end of our payload mass range.

## First Successful Ground Landing Date

```
%sql SELECT min(DATE) AS DATE FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE MISSION_OUTCOME LIKE 'SUCCESS';

* sqlite://my_data1.db
Done.

DATE
01-03-2013
```

The first successful ground pad landing date is returned by this query that seems to be in early 2013.

#### Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

This search yields a count of each mission result.

Nearly 99 percent of the time, SpaceX seems to succeed in achieving its mission objectives. This indicates that the majority of landing mishaps are deliberate.

Interestingly, one rocket's cargo status is unknown, and regrettably, one launch failed in flight.

## **Boosters Carried Maximum Payload**

F9 B5 B1060.2

F9 B5 B1060.3

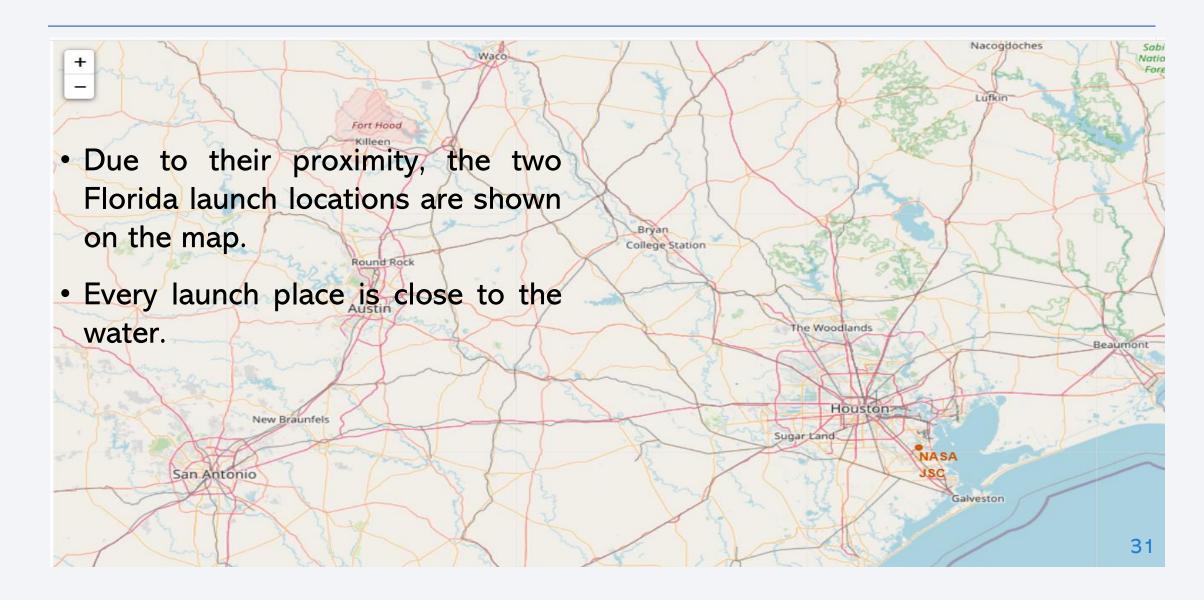
```
maxm = %sql select max(payload mass kg ) from SPACEXTBL
maxv = maxm[0][0]
%sql SELECT DISTINCT BOOSTER VERSION FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE PAYLOAD MASS KG = (SELECT MAX(PAYLOAD MASS KG) FROM SPACEXTBL) ORDER BY BOOSTER VERSION
* sqlite:///my data1.db
Done.
* sqlite:///my data1.db
Done.
Booster_Version
  F9 B5 B1048.4
              • The results of this search are the booster iterations that could lift a
  F9 B5 B1048.5
                 payload of up to 15600 kg.
  F9 B5 B1049.4
  F9 B5 B1049.5

    These booster variants are all of the F9 B5 B10xx.x kind and are quite

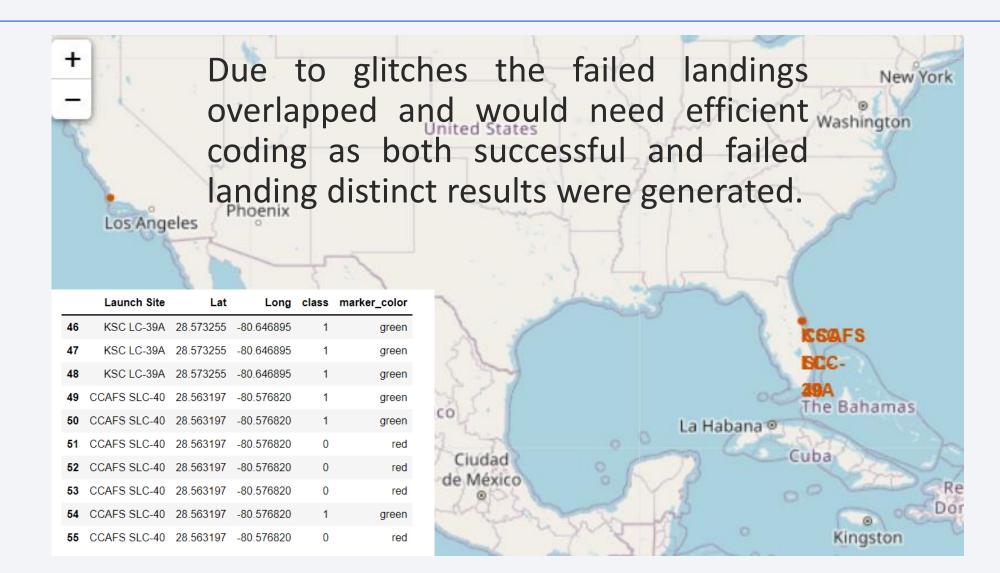
  F9 B5 B1049.7
                 similar.
  F9 B5 B1051.3
  F9 B5 B1051.4
              This suggests that the payload mass and the booster design are related.
  F9 B5 B1051.6
  F9 B5 B1056.4
  F9 B5 B1058.3
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#### Launch Site Location

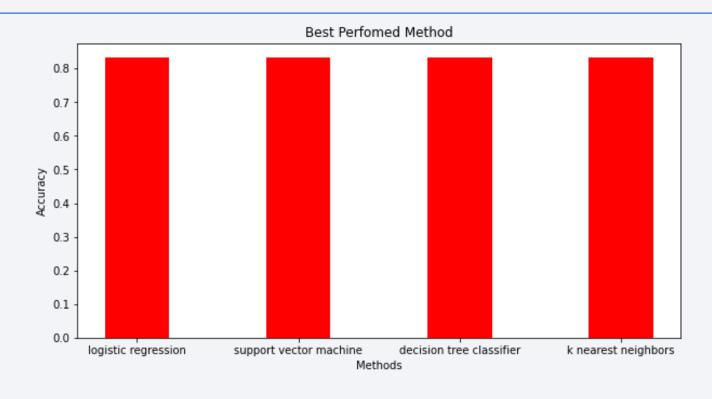


#### Failed Launches for Each Site on the Map





## **Classification Accuracy**



All models were evaluated using a sample size of 18, which is relatively small for the building of an efficient learning model and almost equivalent accuracy on the test set at 83.33 percent

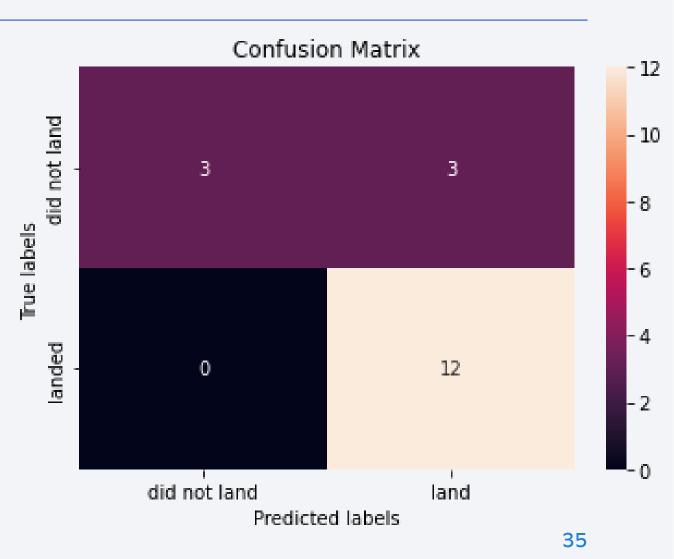
Thus, to choose one optimal model, we probably require additional information.

#### **Confusion Matrix**

The confusion matrix is the same for all models because their performance on the test set was identical.

- When successful landing was the genuine label, or True Positive, the models projected 12 successful landings.
- The models predicted three unsuccessful landings where the real label, or True Negative, was an unsuccessful landing
- When the actual label was failed landings, the models projected three successful landings, which is known as a false positive.

Our prediction, thus, overstates the success of landings.



#### **Conclusions**

- The assignment was to create a machine learning model for Space Y, which is attempting to outbid SpaceX.
- 83 percent accurate machine learning model was produced.
- This model allows Allon Mask of SpaceY to forecast with a fair amount of accuracy if a launch will result in a successful landing before launch, allowing them to decide whether the launch should go forward or not.
- More information should ideally be gathered in order to choose the most accurate machine learning model.

## **Appendix**

#### GitHub repository URL:

https://github.com/AJ-DarKnight/IBM\_DataScience

Jupyter Notebooks on IBM individual links due to overuse of consumption LITE account:

- Data Collection: <a href="https://eu-gb.dataplatform.cloud.ibm.com/analytics/notebooks/v2/fd03e6a8-4ae0-470e-ba62-6a40342496e0/view?access">https://eu-gb.dataplatform.cloud.ibm.com/analytics/notebooks/v2/fd03e6a8-4ae0-470e-ba62-6a40342496e0/view?access</a> token=4b0f18dfa12275b87d15d76a66cf2851b895e3a0f05239146f2a0931705bf36a
- EDA: https://eu-gb.dataplatform.cloud.ibm.com/analytics/notebooks/v2/98fb065d-c8a1-4bbc-b6d9-4a72c9a9f69b/view?access\_token=42e331aacdaf6253cc53d3623dec82c49ba79c6a65cb5e97f3876037afd86e4e
- EDA for Visualization: <a href="https://eu-gb.dataplatform.cloud.ibm.com/analytics/notebooks/v2/c5898ee6-f46c-41d1-b055-3b7ea71ee90f/view?access">https://eu-gb.dataplatform.cloud.ibm.com/analytics/notebooks/v2/c5898ee6-f46c-41d1-b055-3b7ea71ee90f/view?access</a> token=7be0ce40c9b547521830856c52a973ecd5b9de101b1d3e3eef47175b9bab3158
- Folium: <a href="https://eu-gb.dataplatform.cloud.ibm.com/analytics/notebooks/v2/949bfe25-e11c-447c-a07d-463e76697b7c/view?access\_token=e148fde438320993aa8ebd02ce0031b2fc264cad20a86df8285dac8120f5bc65">https://eu-gb.dataplatform.cloud.ibm.com/analytics/notebooks/v2/949bfe25-e11c-447c-a07d-463e76697b7c/view?access\_token=e148fde438320993aa8ebd02ce0031b2fc264cad20a86df8285dac8120f5bc65</a>
- ML: https://eu-gb.dataplatform.cloud.ibm.com/analytics/notebooks/v2/2bd0514f-21ff-4a45-96bc-ea3a6b2869ab/view?access\_token=55f6eab7135c464344131ebfc23f5ae36f9721ddc1fae74081af174a338717f3