

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

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Introduction

Project background and context

Space X advertises Falcon 9 rocket launches on its website with a cost of 62 million dollars; other providers cost upward of 165 million dollars each, much of the savings is because Space X can reuse the first stage. Therefore, if we can determine if the first stage will land, we can determine the cost of a launch. This information can be used if an alternate company wants to bid against space X for a rocket launch. This goal of the project is to create a machine learning pipeline to predict if the first stage will land successfully.

Problems you want to find answers

What factors determine if the rocket will land successfully?

The interaction amongst various features that determine the success rate of a successful

landing.

What operating conditions needs to be in place to ensure a successful landing program. Problems you want to find answers



Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Data was collected using SpaceX API and web scraping from Wikipedia.
- Perform data wrangling
 - One-hot encoding was applied to categorical features
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - How to build, tune, evaluate classification models

Data Collection

- Data collection was done using get request to the SpaceX API.
- Next, we decoded the response content as a Json using .json() function call and turn it into a pandas dataframe using .json_normalize().
- We then cleaned the data, checked for missing values and fill in missing values where necessary.
- In addition, we performed web scraping from Wikipedia for Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup.
- The objective was to extract the launch records as HTML table, parse the table and convert it to a pandas dataframe for future analysis.

Data Collection - SpaceX API

- We used the get request to the SpaceX API to collect data, clean the requested data and did some basic data wrangling and formatting.
- The link to the notebook is https://github.com/Amalmoutaou aj/IBM_Applied_ds_capstone/bl ob/main/Data%20Collection%20 API.ipynb

```
1. Get request for rocket launch data using API
       spacex_url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"
       response = requests.get(spacex url)
2. Use ison_normalize method to convert ison result to dataframe
       # Use json_normalize method to convert the json result into a dataframe
       # decode response content as ison
       static ison df = res.ison()
       # apply ison normalize
       data = pd.json normalize(static json df)
3. We then performed data cleaning and filling in the missing values
       rows = data_falcon9['PayloadMass'].values.tolist()[0]
       df rows = pd.DataFrame(rows)
       df rows = df rows.replace(np.nan, PayloadMass)
       data falcon9['PayloadMass'][0] = df rows.values
       data falcon9
```

Data Collection - Scraping

- We applied web scrapping to webscrap Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup We parsed the table and converted it into a pandas dataframe.
- The link to the notebook is https://github.com/Amalm outaouaj/IBM_Applied_ds _capstone/blob/main/Data %20Collection%20with%2 0Web%20Scraping.ipynb

```
    Apply HTTP Get method to request the Falcon 9 rocket launch page.

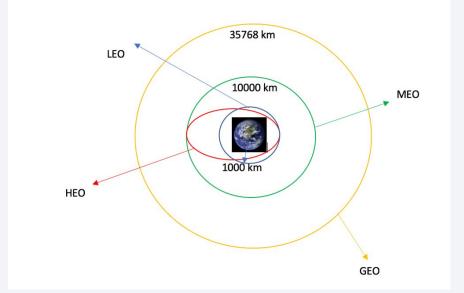
        static unl = "https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.phg/title-List of Falcon B and Falcon Meany launchesBoldid+1827688822"
          # use requests.get() method with the provided static_url
          # assign the response to a object
          html data - requests.get(static url)
          html_data_status_code
Out[5]: 208
       Create a BeautifulSoup object from the HTML response
           # Use BeautifulSoup() to create a BeautifulSoup object from a response text content
            soup - BeautifulSoup(html data.text, 'html.parser')
          Print the page title to verify if the BeautifulSoup object was created properly
           # Use soup title attribute
           soup.title
          <title>List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches - Wikipedia</title>
        Extract all column names from the HTML table header
          column names - []
          # Apply find all() function with "th" element on first launch table
          # Iterate each th element and apply the provided extract column from header() to get a column name
          # Append the Non-empty column name ("if name is not None and Len(name) > 0") into a list collect column names
          element - soup find all('th')
          for row in range(len(element));
                 name - extract_column_from_header(element[row])
                 If (name is not time and len(name) > 0):
                     column_mames.append(mame)
        Create a dataframe by parsing the launch HTML tables
        Export data to cs/
```

Data Wrangling

 We performed exploratory data analysis and determined the training labels. We calculated the number of launches at each site, and the number and occurrence of each orbits We created landing outcome label from outcome column and exported the results to csv.

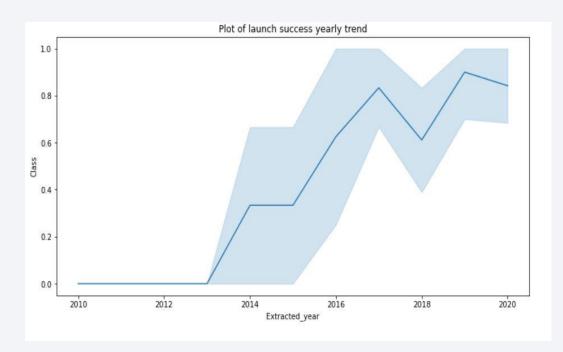
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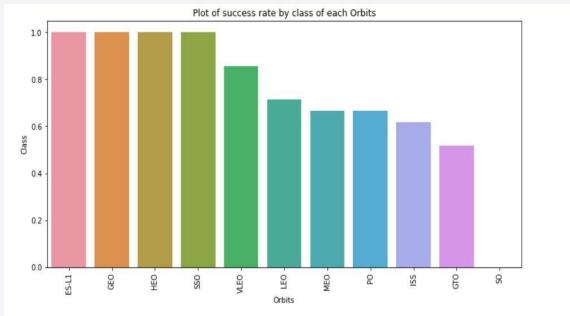
main/Data%20Wrangling.ipynb



EDA with Data Visualization

- We explored the data by visualizing the relationship between flight number and launch Site, payload and launch site, success rate of each orbit type, flight number and orbit type, the launch success yearly trend.
- https://github.com/Amalmoutaouaj/IBM_Applied_ds_capstone/blob/main/ EDA%20with%20Data%20Visualization.ipynb





EDA with SQL

- → We loaded the SpaceX dataset into a PostgreSQL database without leaving the jupyter notebook.We applied EDA with SQL to get insight from the data. We wrote queries to find out for instance:
 - ◆ The names of unique launch sites in the space mission.
 - The total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
 - ◆ The average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
 - The total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
 - The failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster version and launch site names.
- → The link to the notebook is https://github.com/Amalmoutaouaj/IBM_Applied_ds_capstone/blob/main/ EDA%20with%20SQL.ipynb

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- We marked all launch sites, and added map objects such as markers, circles, lines to mark the success or failure of launches for each site on the folium map.
- We assigned the feature launch outcomes (failure or success) to class 0 and 1.i.e., 0 for failure, and 1 for success.
- Using the color-labeled marker clusters, we identified which launch sites have relatively high success rate.
- We calculated the distances between a launch site to its proximities. We answered some question for instance:
 - Are launch sites near railways, highways and coastlines?
 - Do launch sites keep certain distance away from cities ?

url:

https://github.com/Amalmoutaouaj/IBM_Applied_ds_capstone/blob/main/Interactive%20Visual%20Analytics %20with%20Folium.ipyn

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- We built an interactive dashboard with Plotly dash
- We plotted pie charts showing the total launches by a certain sites
- We plotted scatter graph showing the relationship with Outcome and Payload Mass (Kg) for the different booster version.
- URL: https://github.com/Amalmoutaouaj/IBM_Applied_ds_capstone/blob/main/app.py

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- We loaded the data using numpy and pandas, transformed the data, split our data into training and testing.
- We built different machine learning models and tune different hyperparameters using GridSearchCV.
- We used accuracy as the metric for our model, improved the model using feature engineering and algorithm tuning.
- We found the best performing classification model.
- URL
 :https://github.com/Amalmoutaouaj/IBM_Applied_ds_capstone/blob/main/Machine%20Learning%20Prediction.ipynb

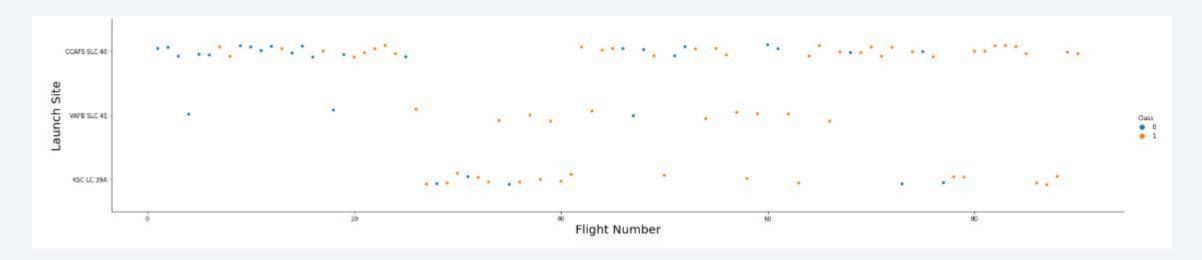
Results

- Exploratory data analysis results
- Interactive analytics demo in screenshots
- Predictive analysis results



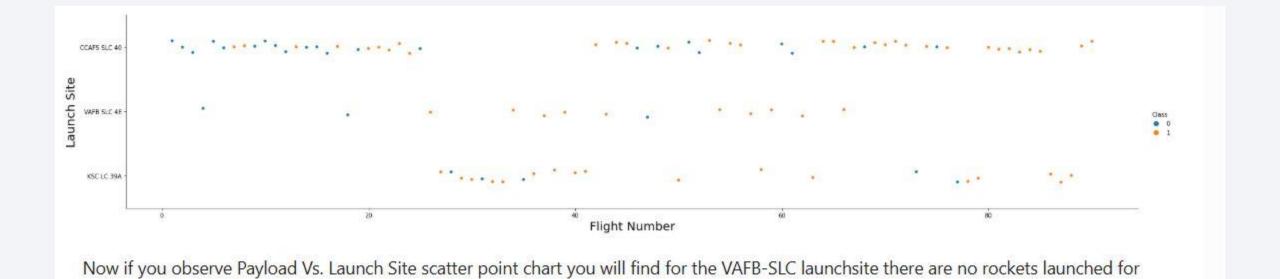
Flight Number vs. Launch Site

 From the plot, we found that the larger the flight amount at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site.



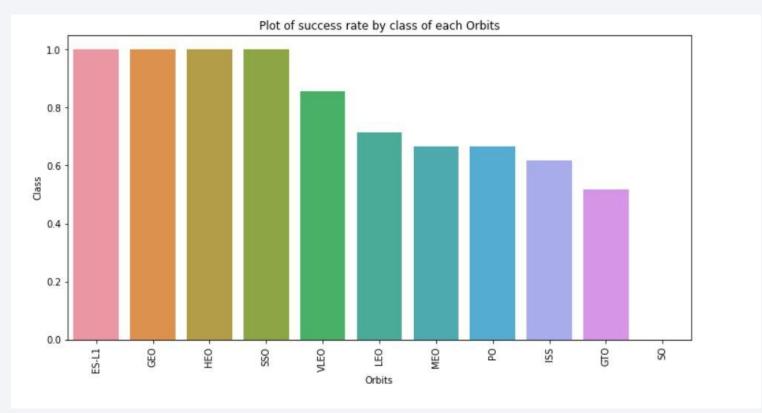
Payload vs. Launch Site

heavypayload mass(greater than 10000).



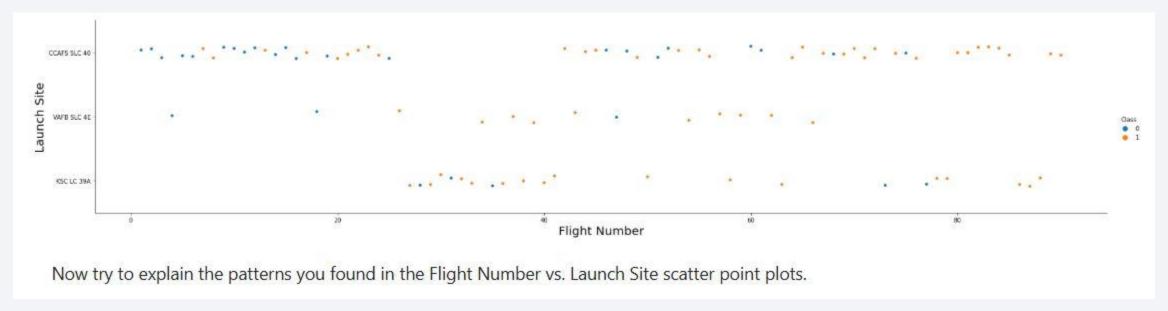
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

• From the plot, we can see that ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO, VLEO had the most success rate.



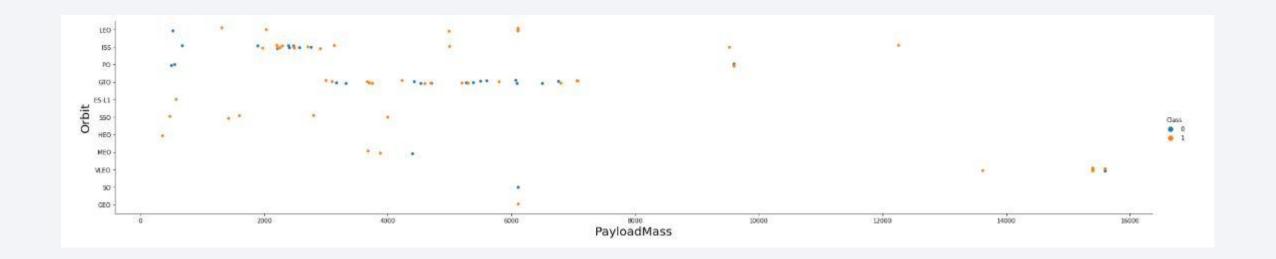
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

 The plot below shows the Flight Number vs. Orbit type. We observe that in the LEO orbit, success is related to the number of flights whereas in the GTO orbit, there is no relationship between flight number and the orbit.



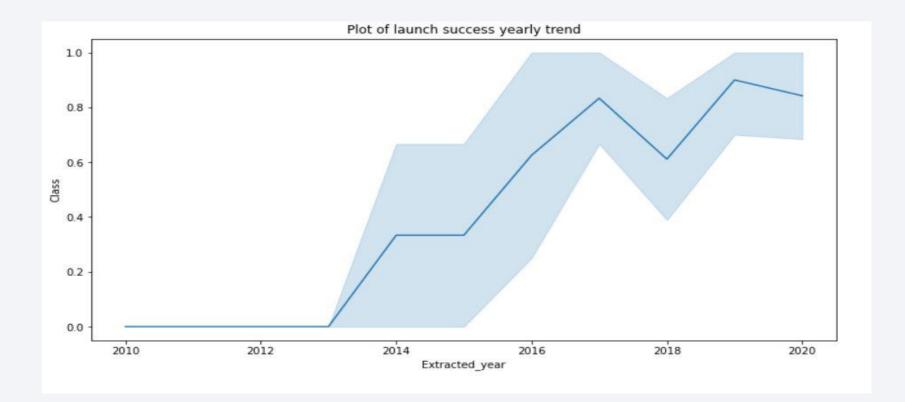
Payload vs. Orbit Type

 We can observe that with heavy payloads, the successful landing are more for PO, LEO and ISS orbits.



Launch Success Yearly Trend

 From the plot, we can observe that success rate since 2013 kept on increasing till 2020.



All Launch Site Names

 We used the key word DISTINCT to show only unique launch sites from the SpaceX data.



Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

 We used the query to display 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA` with the keyword LIMIT

n [11];		FROM WHEN	ECT * M SpaceX RE Launc IT 5	hSite LIKE 'CC							
r[11]:		date	time	boosterversion	launchsite	payload	payloadmasskg	orbit	customer	missionoutcome	landingoutcome
	0	2010-04- 06	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Failur (parachute
	1	2010-08- 12	15:43:00	F9 v1.0 80004	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C1, two CubeSats, barrel of	0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS) NRO	Success	Failun (parachute
		make a second		F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC-	8 P 2012	525	LEO	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attemp
	2	2012-05-	07:44:00	F9 V1.0 B0005	40	Dragon demo flight C2	323	(155)	(400,00,00)	Juccess	The attemp
	3		07:44:00	F9 v1.0 80005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2 SpaceX CRS-1	500	(ISS) LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attemp

Total Payload Mass

 We calculated the total payload carried by boosters from NASA as 45596 using the query below

```
Display the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)

In [12]:

task_3 = '''

SELECT SUM(PayloadMassKG) AS Total_PayloadMass
FROM SpaceX
WHERE Customer LIKE 'NASA (CRS)'

""

create_pandas_df(task_3, database=conn)

Out[12]:

total_payloadmass

0 45596
```

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

 We calculated the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1 as 2928.4

```
Display average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

In [13]:

task_4 = '''

SELECT AVG(PayloadMassKG) AS Avg_PayloadMass
FROM SpaceX
WHERE BoosterVersion = 'F9 v1.1'

'''

create_pandas_df(task_4, database=conn)

Out[13]:

avg_payloadmass

0 2928.4
```

First Successful Ground Landing Date

 We observed that the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad was 22nd Dec 2015

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

 We used the WHERE clause to filter for boosters which have successfully landed on drone ship and applied the AND condition to determine successful landing with payload mass greater than 4000 but less than

6000.

```
In [15]:
          task 6 = '''
                   SELECT BoosterVersion
                   FROM SpaceX
                   WHERE LandingOutcome = 'Success (drone ship)'
                       AND PayloadMassKG > 4000
                       AND PayloadMassKG < 6000
           create pandas df(task 6, database=conn)
Out[15]:
             boosterversion
                F9 FT B1022
                F9 FT B1026
              F9 FT B1021.2
              F9 FT B1031.2
```

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

 We used wildcard like '%' to filter for WHERE MissionOutcome was a success or a failure.

```
List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
In [16]:
          task 7a = ***
                  SELECT COUNT(MissionOutcome) AS SuccessOutcome
                  FROM SpaceX
                  WHERE MissionOutcome LIKE 'Success%'
          task 7b = '''
                  SELECT COUNT(MissionOutcome) AS FailureOutcome
                  FROM SpaceX
                  WHERE MissionOutcome LIKE 'Failure%'
          print('The total number of successful mission outcome is:')
          display(create_pandas_df(task_7a, database=conn))
          print()
          print('The total number of failed mission outcome is:')
          create pandas df(task 7b, database=conn)
         The total number of successful mission outcome is:
            successoutcome
                       100
         The total number of failed mission outcome is:
Out[16]:
            failureoutcome
```

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

 We determined the booster that have carried the maximum payload using a subquery in the WHERE clause and the MAX() function



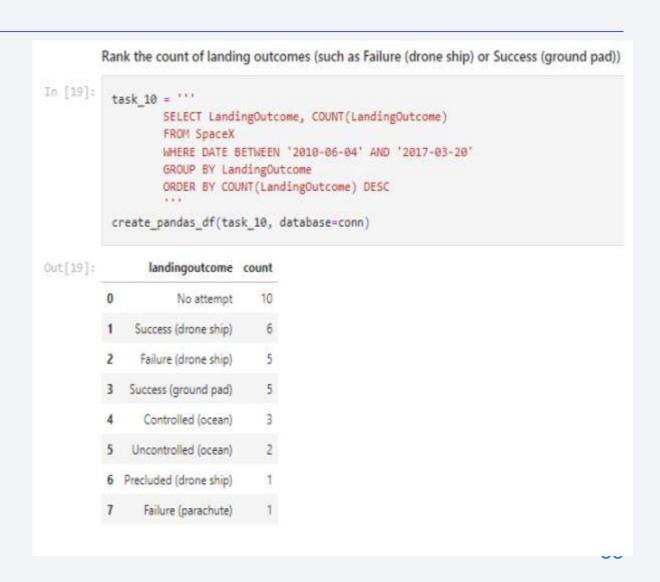
2015 Launch Records

 We used a combinations of the WHERE clause, LIKE, AND, and BETWEEN conditions to filter for failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for year 2015



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

- We selected Landing outcomes and the COUNT of landing outcomes from the data and used the WHERE clause to filter for landing outcomes BETWEEN 2010-06-04 and 2010-03-20.
- We applied the GROUP BY clause to group the landing outcomes and the ORDER BY clause to order the grouped landing outcome in descending order.





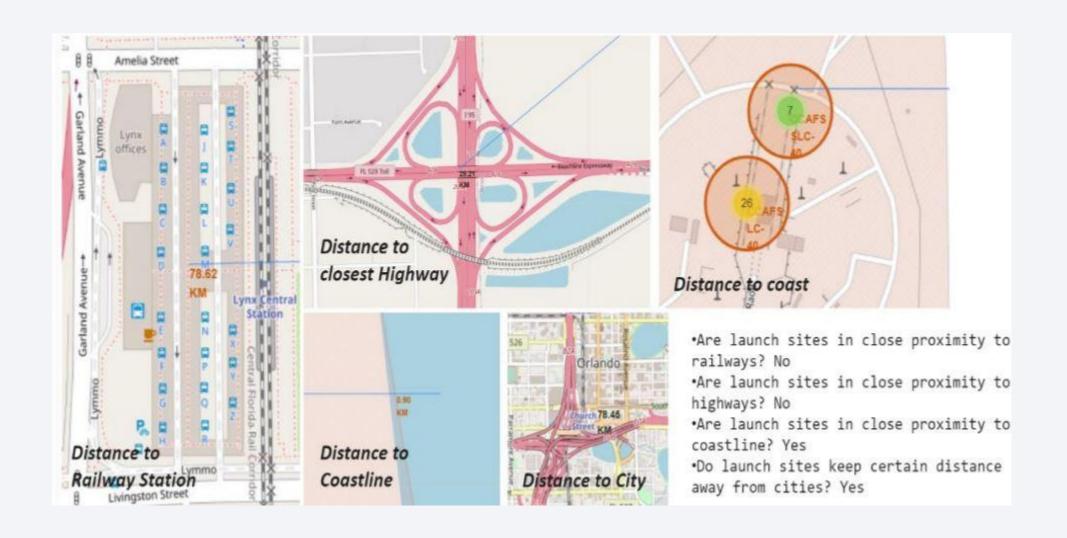
All launch sites global map markers



Markers showing launch sites with color labels



Launch Site distance to landmarks

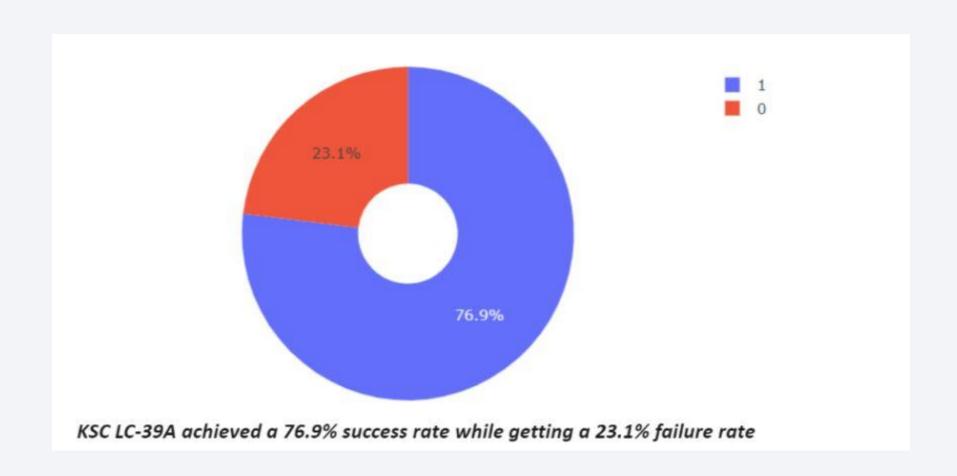




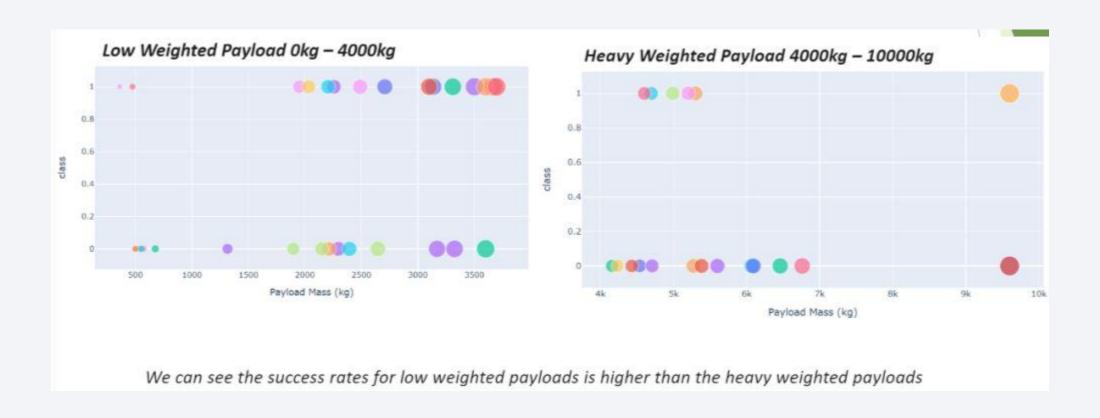
Pie chart showing the success percentage achieved by each launch site



Pie chart showing the Launch site with the highest launch success ratio



Scatter plot of Payload vs Launch Outcome for all sites, with different payload selected in the range slider





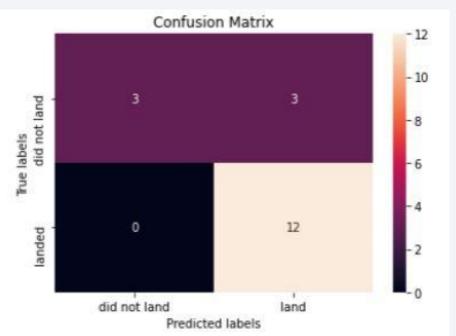
Classification Accuracy

The decision tree classifier is the model with the highest classification accuracy.

```
models = {'KNeighbors':knn cv.best score ,
               'DecisionTree': tree cv.best score ,
              'LogisticRegression':logreg cv.best score ,
              'SupportVector': svm cv.best score }
 bestalgorithm = max(models, key=models.get)
 print('Best model is', bestalgorithm,'with a score of', models[bestalgorithm])
 if bestalgorithm == 'DecisionTree':
    print('Best params is :', tree cv.best params )
if bestalgorithm == 'KNeighbors':
    print('Best params is :', knn cv.best params )
if bestalgorithm == 'LogisticRegression':
    print('Best params is :', logreg cv.best params )
if bestalgorithm == 'SupportVector':
    print('Best params is :', svm_cv.best_params_)
Best model is DecisionTree with a score of 0.8732142857142856
Best params is : {'criterion': 'gini', 'max depth': 6, 'max features': 'auto', 'min_samples_leaf': 2, 'min_samples_split': 5, 'splitter': 'random'}
```

Confusion Matrix

- The confusion matrix for the decision tree classifier shows that the classifier can distinguish between the different classes.
- The major problem is the false positives .i.e., unsuccessful landing marked as successful landing by the classifier.



Conclusions

We can conclude that:

- The larger the flight amount at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site.
- Launch success rate started to increase in 2013 till 2020.
- Orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO, VLEO had the most success rate.
- KSC LC-39A had the most successful launches of any sites.
- The Decision tree classifier is the best machine learning algorithm for this task.

