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Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

- **Summary of methodologies :** Extracted data from the public SpaceX API and official Wikipedia sources. Engineered a target label column, 'class', to indicate successful landings. Conducted data exploration through SQL queries, visualizations, interactive Folium maps, and dashboard tools. Selected and refined relevant feature columns, applied one-hot encoding to convert categorical variables into binary format, and standardized the dataset. Leveraged GridSearchCV to optimize hyperparameters across various machine learning models and visualized their accuracy scores for comparative analysis..
- **Summary of all results :** Four machine learning models were produced: Logistic Regression, Support Vector Machine, Decision Tree Classifier, and K Nearest Neighbors. All produced similar results with accuracy rate of about 83.33%. All models over predicted successful landings. More data is needed for better model determination and accuracy.

Introduction

Background:

- Commercial Space Age is Here
- Space X has best pricing (\$62 million vs. \$165 million USD)
- Largely due to ability to recover part of rocket (Stage 1)
- Space Y wants to compete with Space

Problem:

- Space Y tasks us to train a machine learning model to predict successful Stage 1 recovery
- How does launch site or payload mass impact landing success?

Section 1

Methodology

Methodology

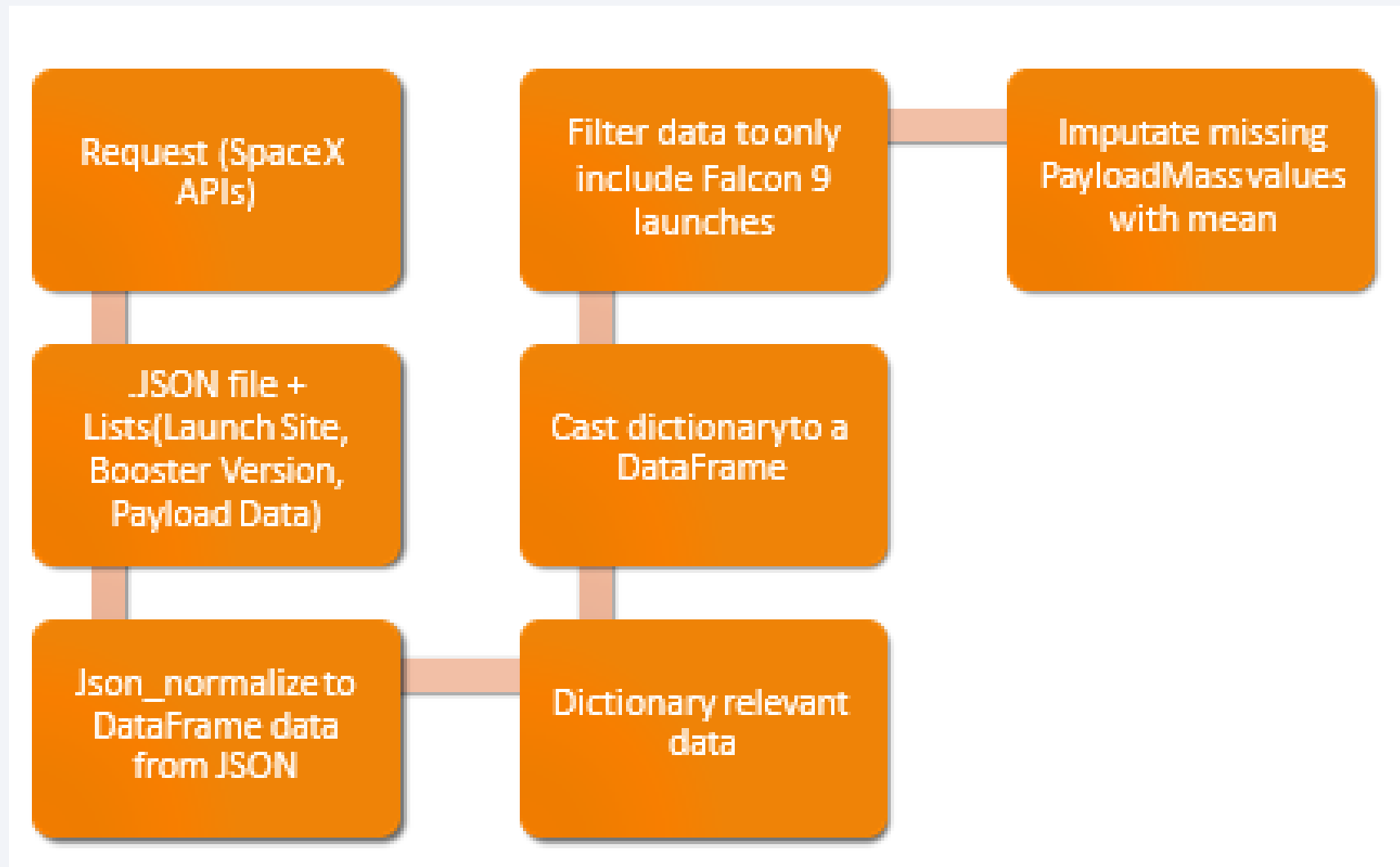
Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Combined data from SpaceX public API and SpaceX Wikipedia page
- Perform data wrangling
 - Classifying true landings as successful and unsuccessful otherwise
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - Tuned models using GridSearchCV

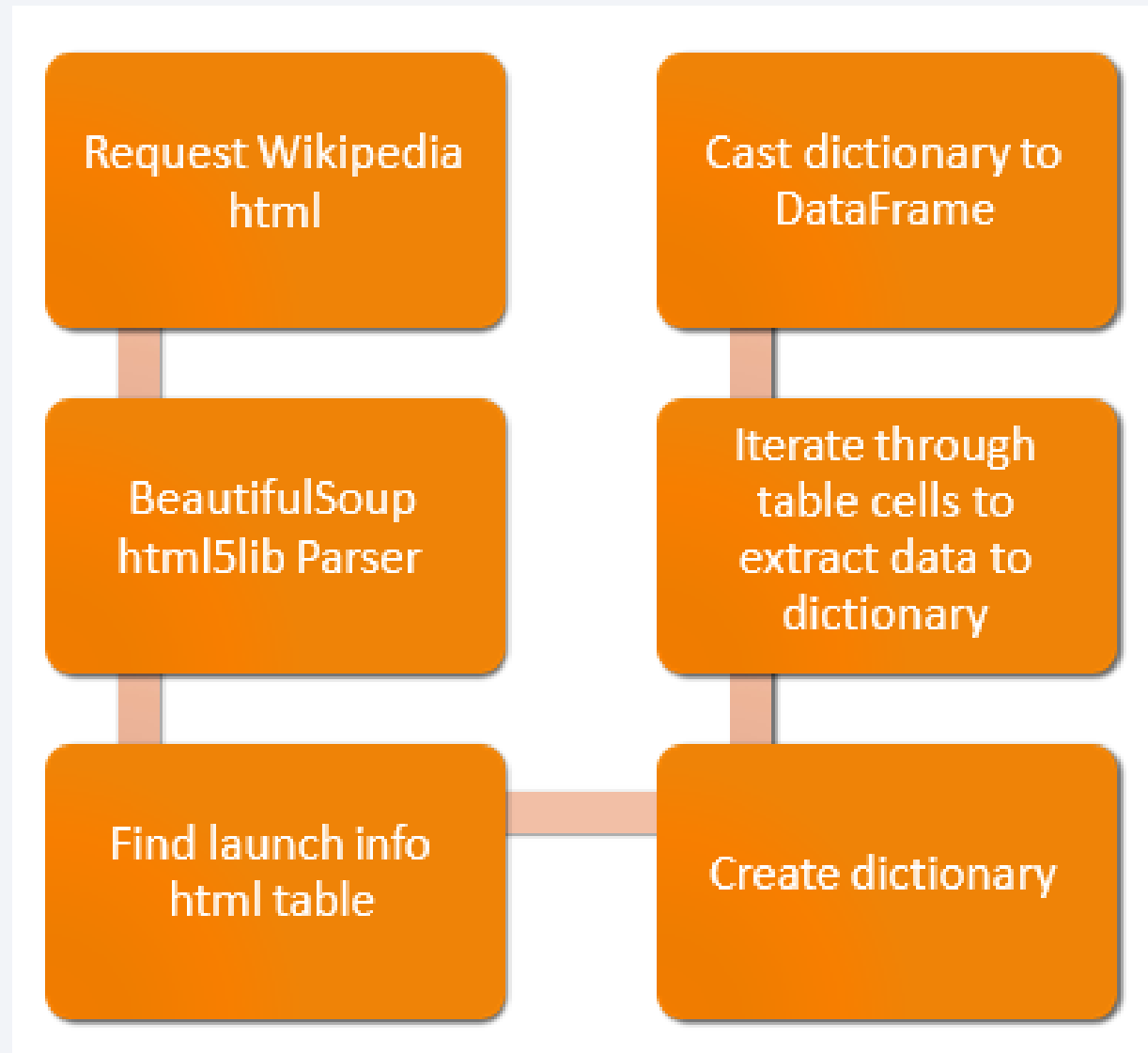
Data Collection

- 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.
- The next slide will show the flowchart of data collection from API and the one after will show the flowchart of data collection from webscraping.
- 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



Data Collection - Scraping



Data Wrangling

- Create a training label with landing outcomes where successful = 1 & failure = 0.
- Outcome column has two components: 'Mission Outcome' 'Landing Location'
- New training label column 'class' with a value of 1 if 'Mission Outcome' is True and 0 otherwise. Value Mapping:
- True ASDS, True RTLS, & True Ocean – set to -> 1
- None None, False ASDS, None ASDS, False Ocean, False RTLS – set to -> 0
- GitHub url: <https://github.com/AnishKundu28/IBM-Data-Science>

EDA with Data Visualization

- Exploratory Data Analysis performed on variables Flight Number, Payload Mass, Launch Site, Orbit, Class and Year.
- Plots 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
 - Scatter plots, line charts, and bar plots were used to compare relationships between variables to
 - decide if a relationship exists so that they could be used in training the machine learning model
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EDA with SQL

- Loaded data set into IBM DB2 Database.
- 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

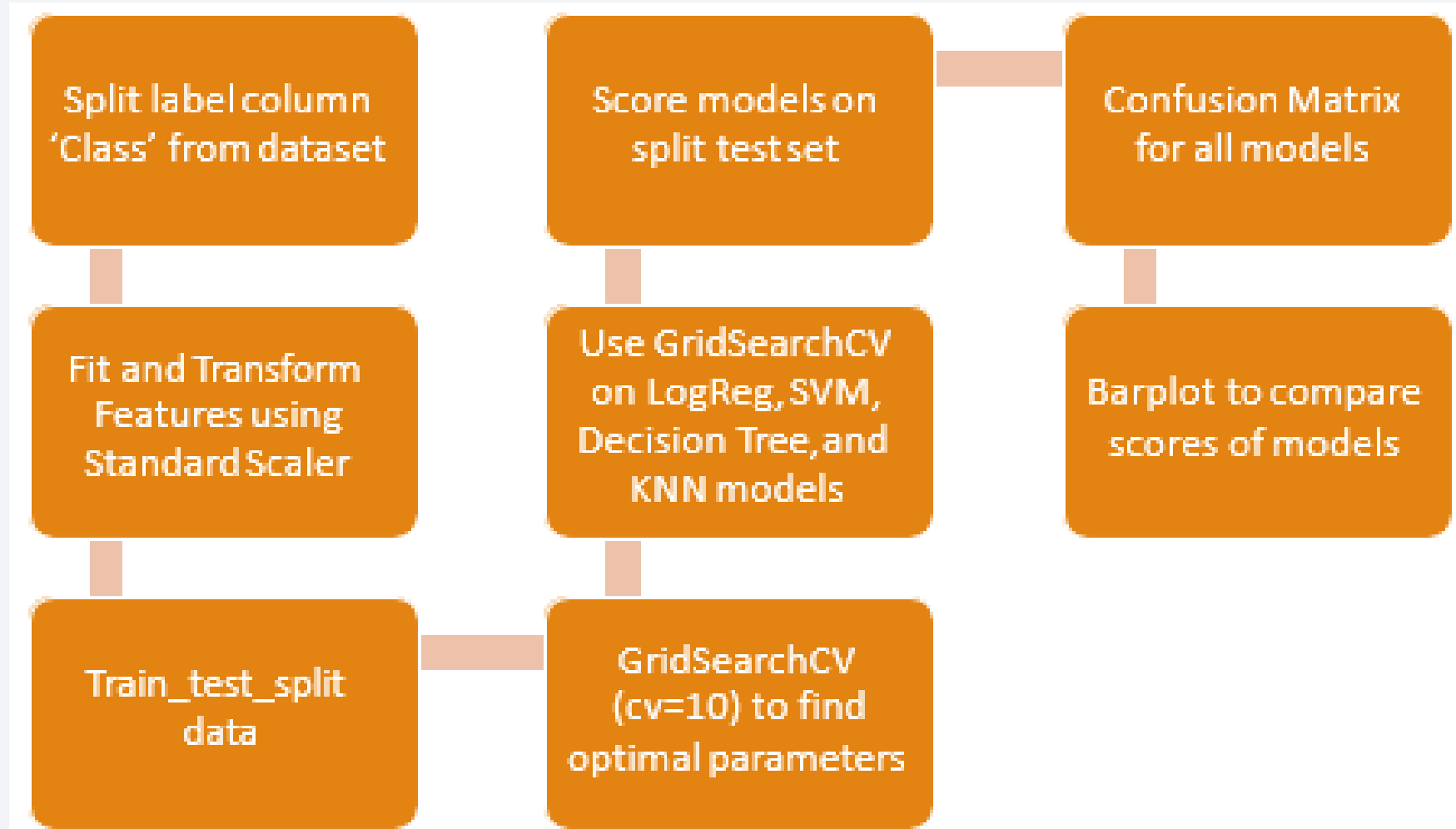
Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Folium maps mark Launch Sites, successful and unsuccessful landings, and a proximity example to key locations: Railway, Highway, Coast, and City.
- This allows us to understand why launch sites may be located where they are. Also visualizes successful landings relative to location.

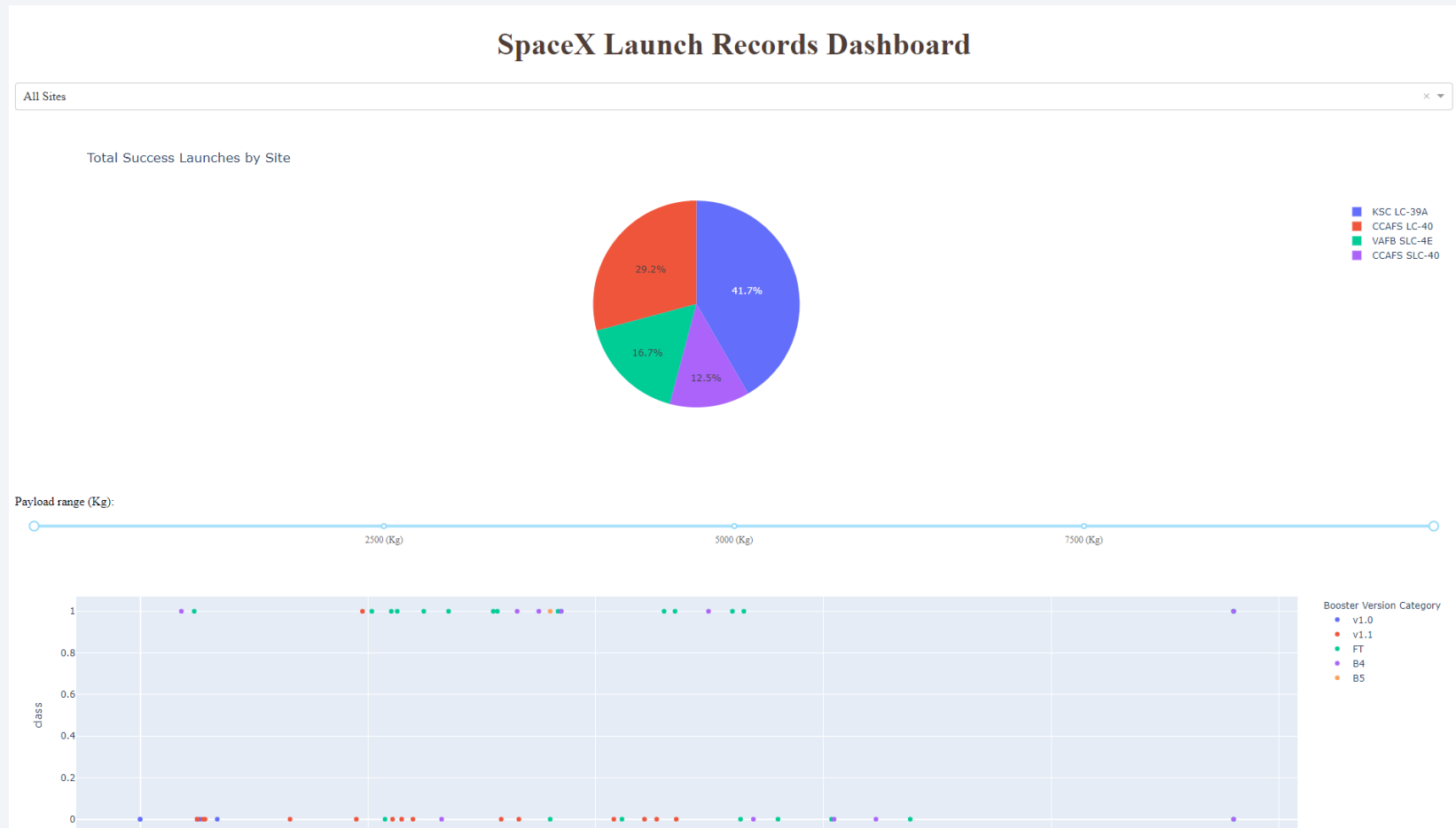
Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

Dashboard includes a pie chart and a scatter plot. Pie chart can be selected to show distribution of successful landings across all launch sites and can be selected to show individual launch site success rates. Scatter plot takes two inputs: All sites or individual site and payload mass on a slider between 0 and 10000 kg. The pie chart is used to visualize launch site success rate. The scatter plot can help us see how success varies across launch sites, payload mass, and booster version category.

Predictive Analysis (Classification)



Results

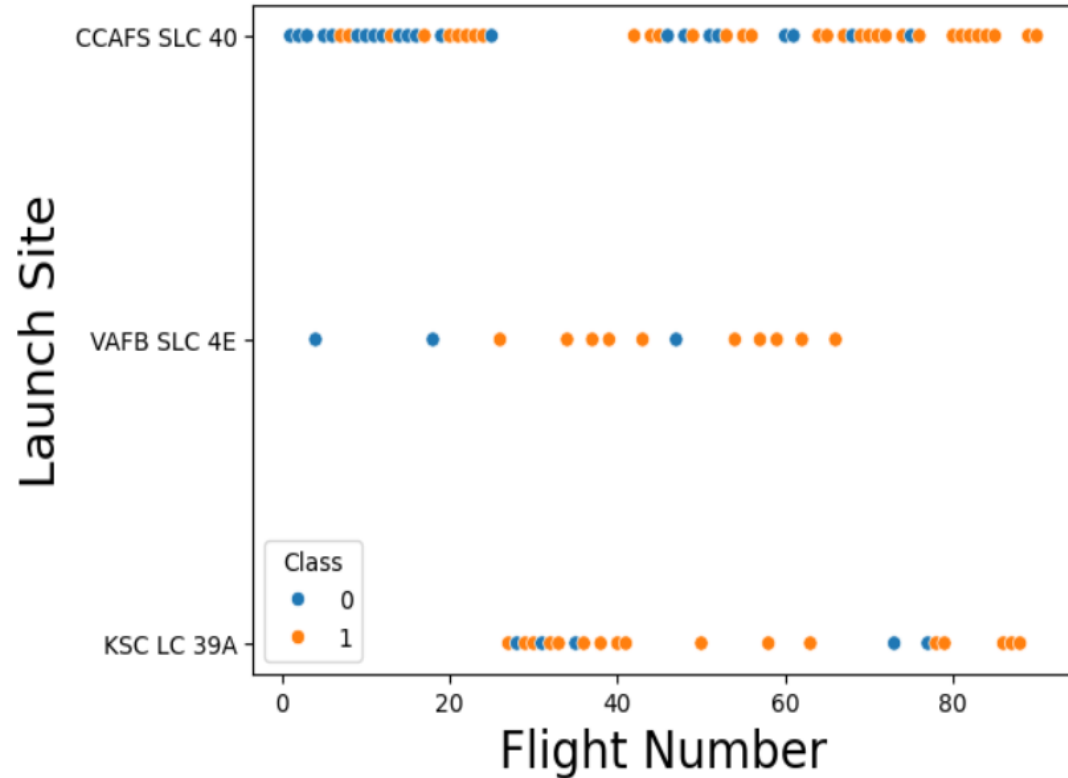




Section 2

Insights drawn from EDA

Flight Number vs. Launch Site

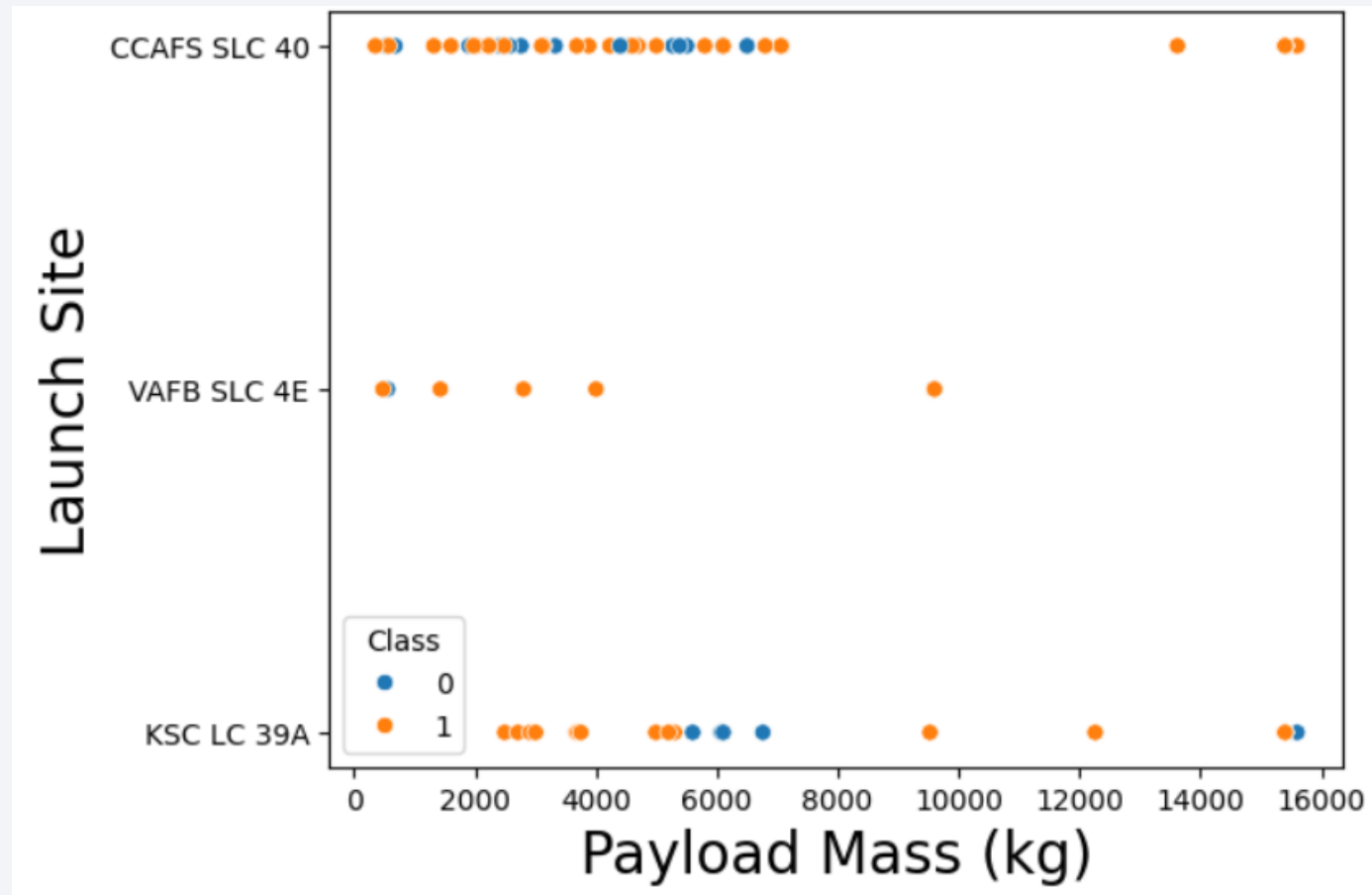


The scatterplot you see visualizes the relationship between FlightNumber and LaunchSite, with the points colored based on the Class variable (which represents whether the first stage landed successfully or not).

Here's what you can observe from the plot:

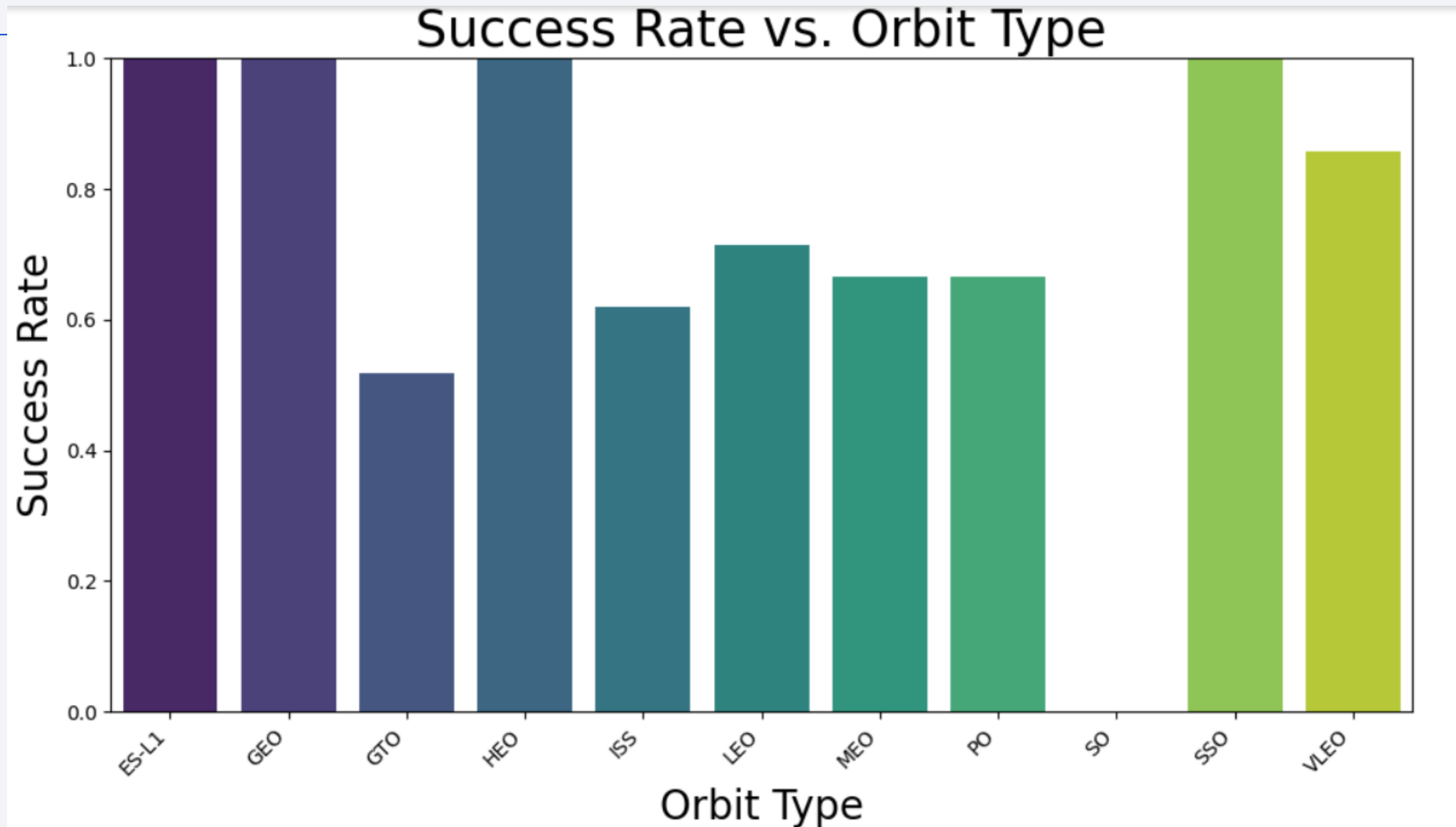
- **X-axis (Flight Number):** Represents the chronological order of the Falcon 9 launches.
- **Y-axis (Launch Site):** Shows the different locations from which the rockets were launched.

Payload vs. Launch Site

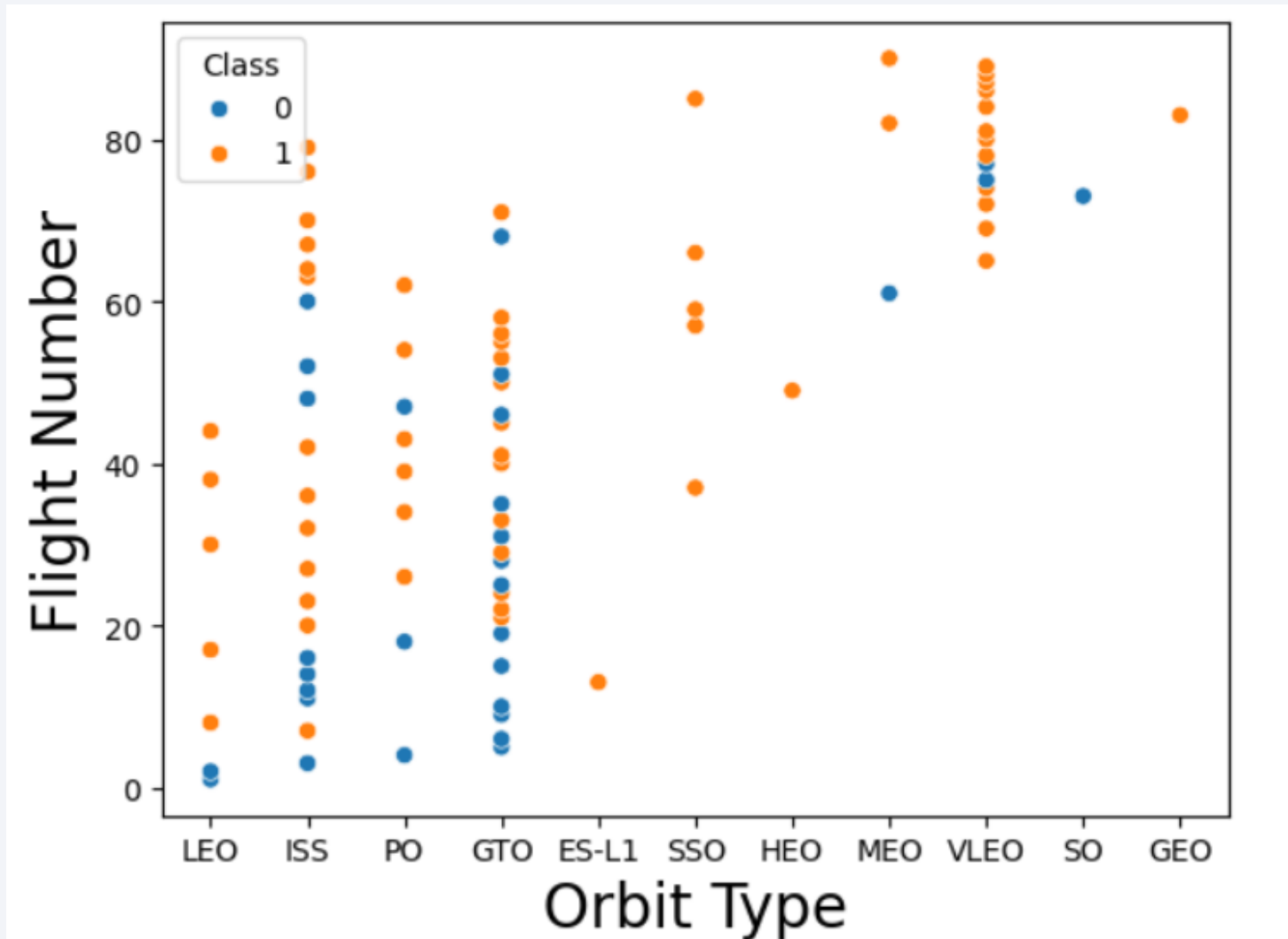


Green indicates successful launch; Purple indicates unsuccessful launch.

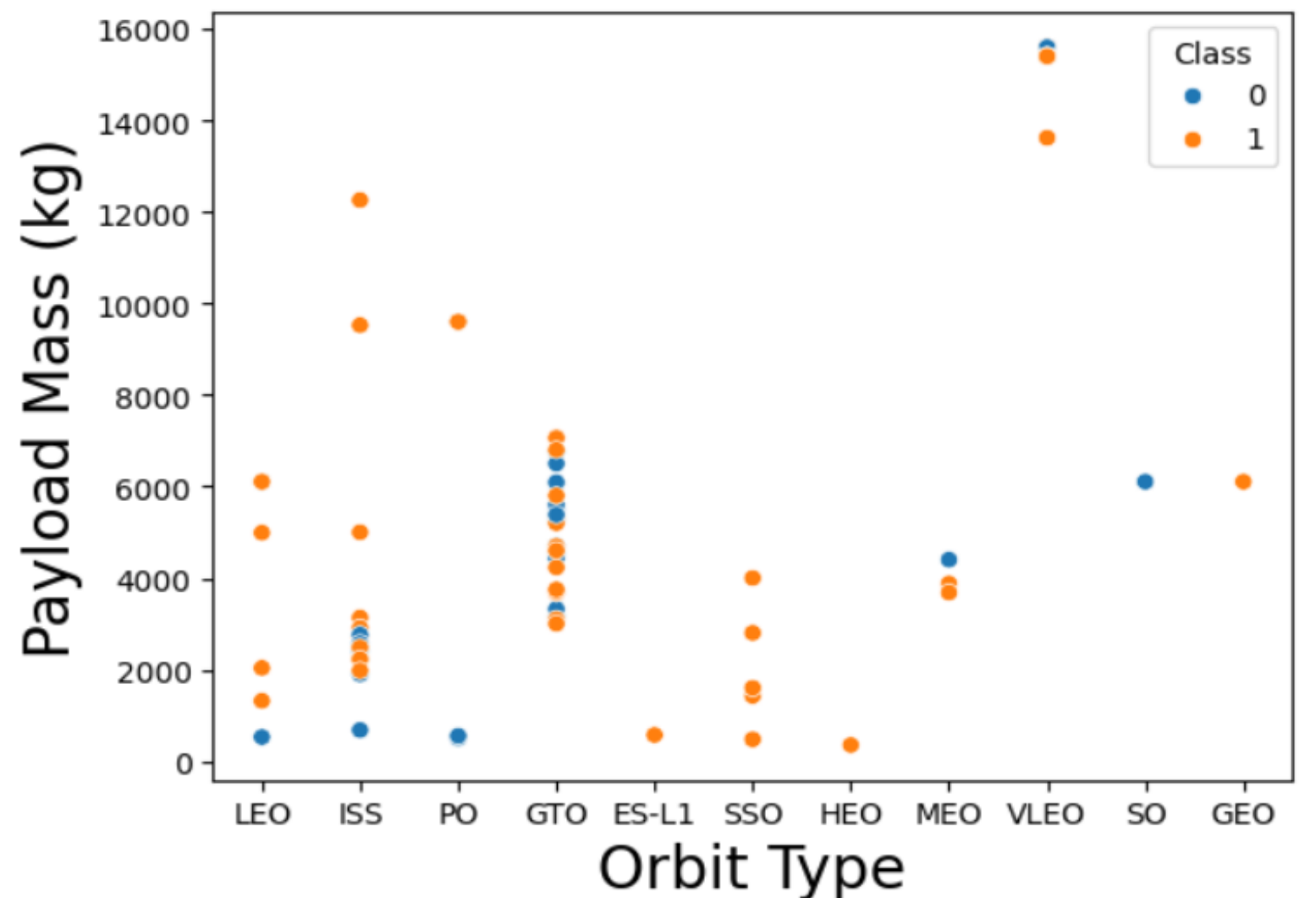
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



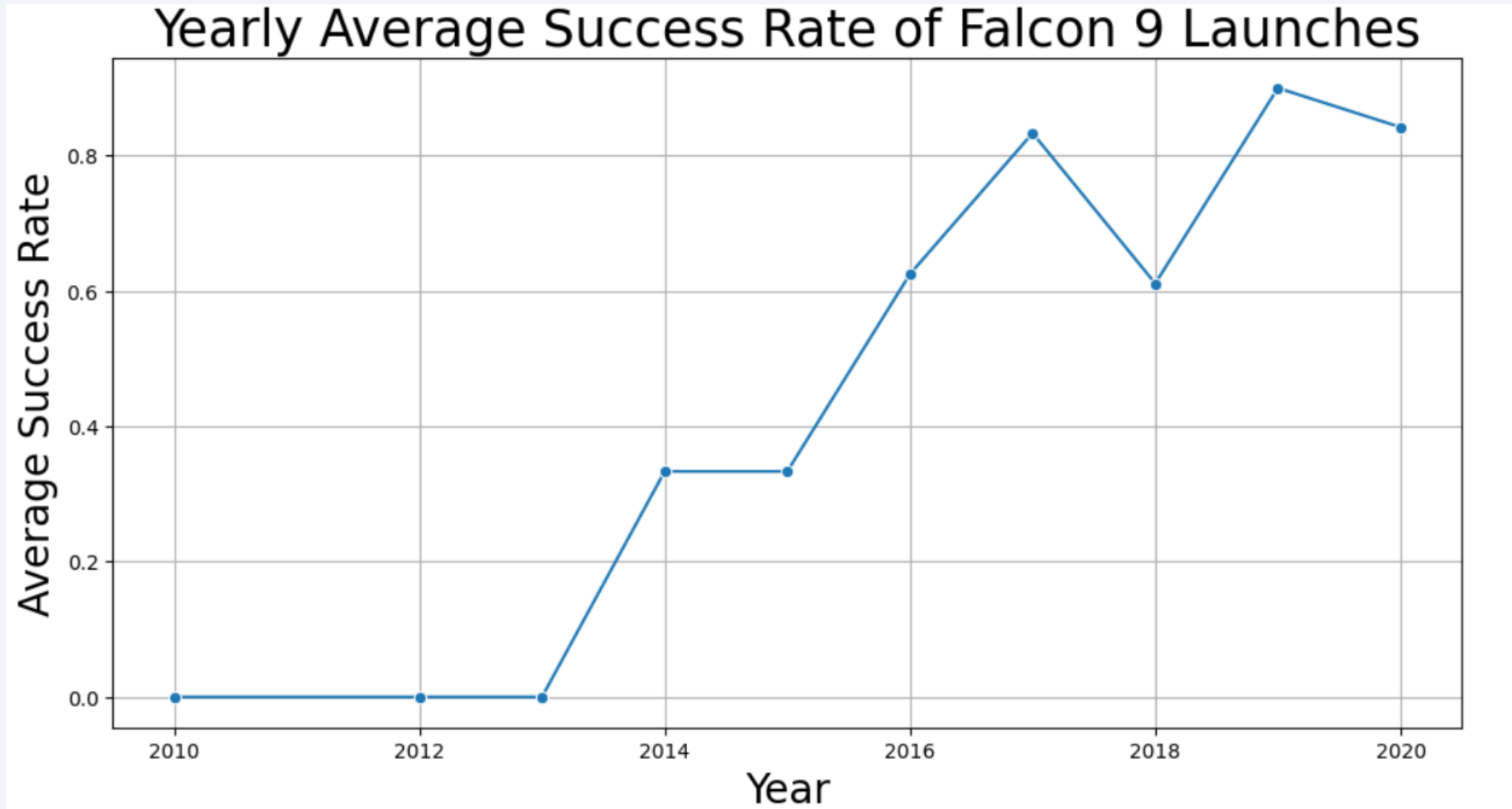
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



Payload vs. Orbit Type



Launch Success Yearly Trend



All Launch Site Names

- Unique Launch Sites and Explanation: -
- CCAFS SLC 40: Cape Canaveral Space Force Station Space Launch Complex 40, Florida.
- VAFB SLC 4E: Vandenberg Space Force Base Space Launch Complex 4E, California.
- KSC LC 39A: Kennedy Space Center Launch Complex 39A, Florida.

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

In [5]:

```
%%sql
SELECT *
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE LAUNCH_SITE LIKE 'CCA%'
LIMIT 5;
```

* ibm_db_sa://ftb12020:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90l08kqb1od8l1cg.databases.appdomain.cloud:31198/bludb
Done.

Out[5]:

| DATE | time__utc__ | booster_version | launch_site | payload | payload_mass__kg__ | orbit | customer | mission_outcome | landing__outcome |
|------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|---|--------------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 2010-06-04 | 18:45:00 | F9 v1.0 B0003 | CCAFS LC-40 | Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit | 0 | LEO | SpaceX | Success | Failure (parachute) |
| 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 | Failure (parachute) |
| 2012-05-22 | 07:44:00 | F9 v1.0 B0005 | CCAFS LC-40 | Dragon demo flight C2 | 525 | LEO (ISS) | NASA (COTS) | Success | No attempt |
| 2012-10-08 | 00:35:00 | F9 v1.0 B0006 | CCAFS LC-40 | SpaceX CRS-1 | 500 | LEO (ISS) | NASA (CRS) | Success | No attempt |
| 2013-03-01 | 15:10:00 | F9 v1.0 B0007 | CCAFS LC-40 | SpaceX CRS-2 | 677 | LEO (ISS) | NASA (CRS) | Success | No attempt |

Total Payload Mass

```
%%sql
SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) AS SUM_PAYLOAD_MASS_KG
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE CUSTOMER = 'NASA (CRS)';

* ibm_db_sa://ftb12020:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86
Done.
```

| sum_payload_mass_kg |
|---------------------|
| 45596 |

- This query sums the total payload mass in kg where NASA was the customer.
- CRS stands for Commercial Resupply Services which indicates that these payloads were sent to the International Space Station (ISS).

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

```
%%sql
SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_) AS AVG_PAYLOAD_MASS_KG
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE booster_version = 'F9 v1.1'

* ibm_db_sa://ftb12020:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-80
Done.
```

| avg_payload_mass_kg |
|---------------------|
| 2928 |

- This query calculates the average payload mass or launches which used booster version F9 v1.1
- Average payload mass of F9 1.1 is on the low end of our payload mass range

First Successful Ground Landing Date

```
%%sql
SELECT MIN(DATE) AS FIRST_SUCCESS
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE landing__outcome = 'Success (ground pad)';

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Done.
```

| first_success |
|----------------------|
| 2015-12-22 |

- This query returns the first successful ground pad landing date.
- First ground pad landing wasn't
- until the end of 2015.
- Successful landings in general
- appear starting 2014.

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

```
%%sql
SELECT booster_version
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE landing_outcome = 'Success (drone ship)' AND payload_mass__kg_ BETWEEN 4001 AND 5999;

* ibm_db_sa://ftb12020:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90l08kqb1od8lcg.database
Done.
```

| booster_version |
|-----------------|
| F9 FT B1022 |
| F9 FT B1026 |
| F9 FT B1021.2 |
| F9 FT B1031.2 |

- This query returns the four booster versions that had successful drone ship landings and a payload mass between 4000 and 6000 noninclusively.

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

```
%%sql
SELECT mission_outcome, COUNT(*) AS no_outcome
FROM SPACEXDATASET
GROUP BY mission_outcome;

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Done.
```

| mission_outcome | no_outcome |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Failure (in flight) | 1 |
| Success | 99 |
| Success (payload status unclear) | 1 |

- This query returns a count of each
- mission outcome.
- SpaceX appears to achieve its mission outcome nearly 99% of the time.
- This means that most of the landing
- failures are intended.
- Interestingly, one launch has an unclear payload status and unfortunately one failed in flight.

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

```
%%sql
SELECT booster_version, PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ = (SELECT MAX(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) FROM SPACEXDATASET);

* ibm_db_sa://ftb12020:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90l08kqb1
Done.
```

| booster_version | payload_mass__kg_ |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| F9 B5 B1048.4 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1049.4 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1051.3 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1056.4 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1048.5 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1051.4 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1049.5 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1060.2 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1058.3 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1051.6 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1060.3 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1049.7 | 15600 |

- This query returns the booster versions that carried the highest payload mass of 15600 kg.
- These booster versions are very similar and all are of the F9 B5 B10xx.x variety.
- This likely indicates payload mass correlates with the booster version that is used.

2015 Launch Records

```
%%sql
SELECT MONTHNAME(DATE) AS MONTH, landing__outcome, booster_version, PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_, launch_site
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE landing__outcome = 'Failure (drone ship)' AND YEAR(DATE) = 2015;

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Done.
```

| MONTH | landing__outcome | booster_version | payload_mass__kg_ | launch_site |
|---------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| January | Failure (drone ship) | F9 v1.1 B1012 | 2395 | CCAFS LC-40 |
| April | Failure (drone ship) | F9 v1.1 B1015 | 1898 | CCAFS LC-40 |

- This query returns the Month, Landing Outcome, Booster Version, Payload Mass (kg), and Launch site of 2015 launches where stage 1 failed to land on a drone ship.
- There were two such occurrences.

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

```
%%sql
SELECT landing__outcome, COUNT(*) AS no_outcome
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE landing__outcome LIKE 'Succes%' AND DATE BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20'
GROUP BY landing__outcome
ORDER BY no_outcome DESC;
```

* ibm_db_sa://ftb12020:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90l08kqb1od8lce
Done.

| landing__outcome | no_outcome |
|----------------------|------------|
| Success (drone ship) | 5 |
| Success (ground pad) | 3 |

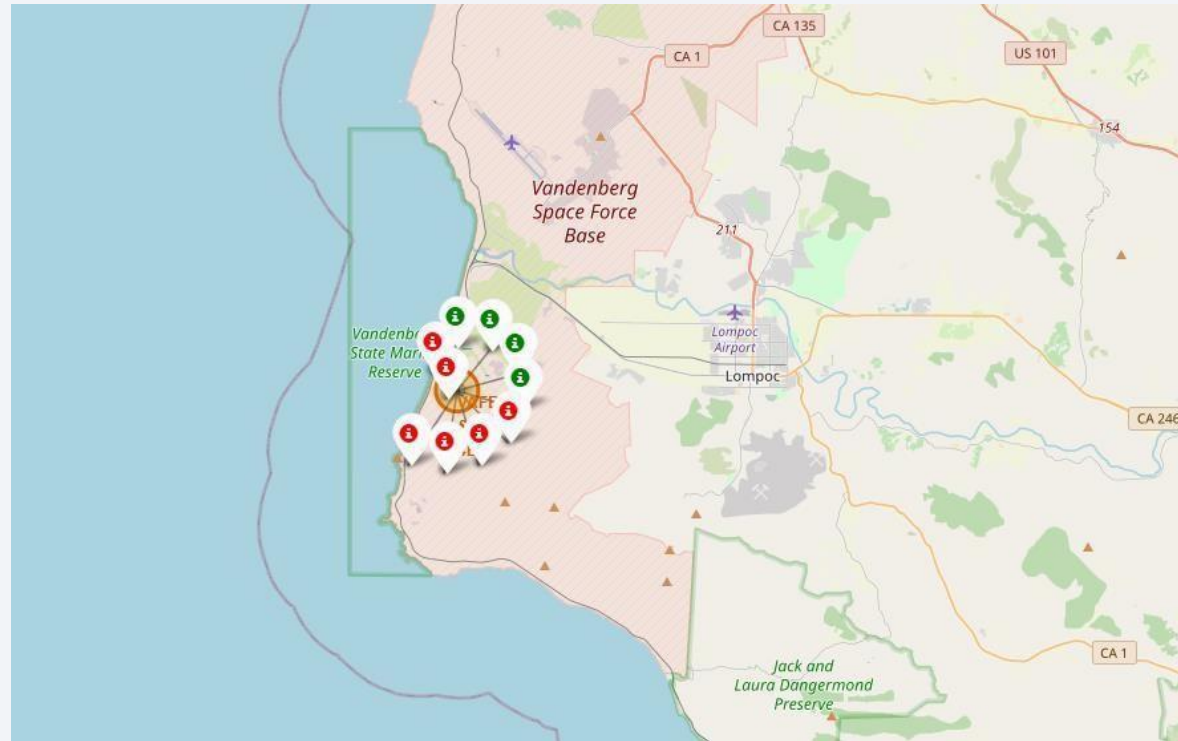
- Rank the count of landing outcomes (such as Failure (drone ship) or Success (ground pad)) between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20, in descending order
- Present your query result with a short explanation here

A satellite view of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and city lights at night. The image is a composite of a solid blue rectangle on the left and a satellite photograph of Earth on the right. The Earth shows the horizon, clouds, and glowing city lights, particularly concentrated in the lower right quadrant.

Section 3

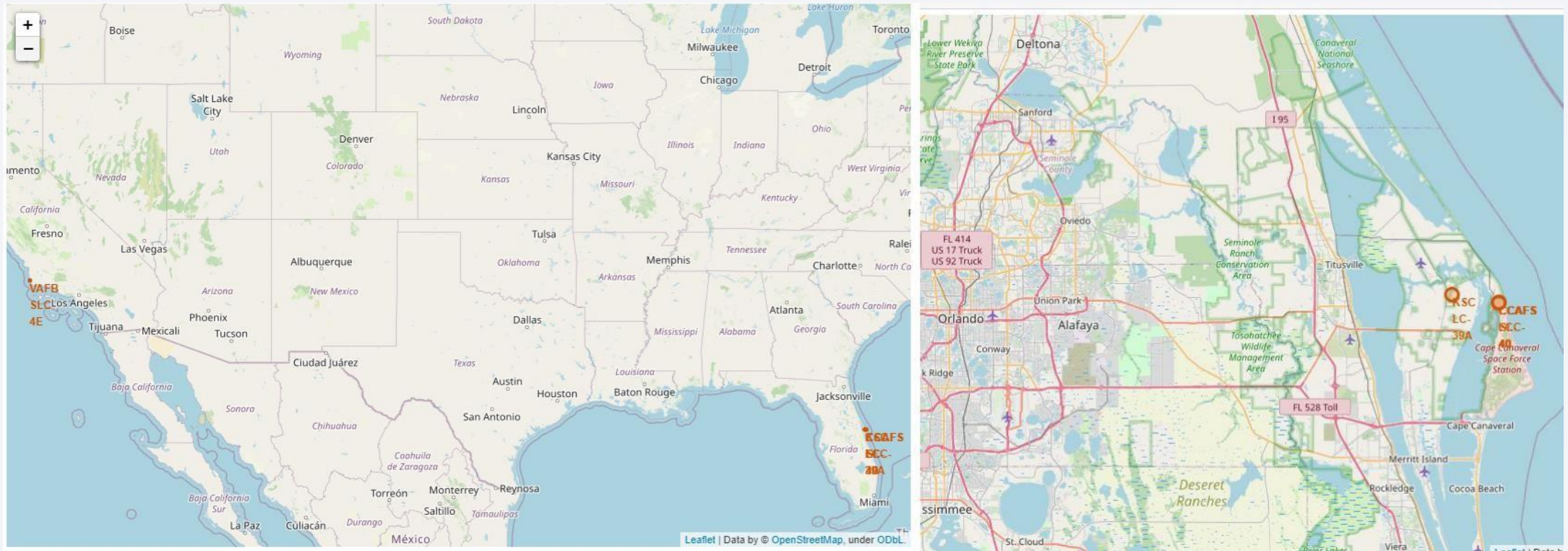
Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

Color-Coded Launch Markers



- Clusters on Folium map can be clicked on to display each successful landing (green icon) and failed
- landing (red icon). In this example VAFB SLC-4E shows 4 successful landings and 6 failed landings.

Launch Site Locations



- The left map shows all launch sites relative US map. The right map shows the two Florida launch sites since they are very close to each other. All launch sites are near the ocean.

Key Location Proximities



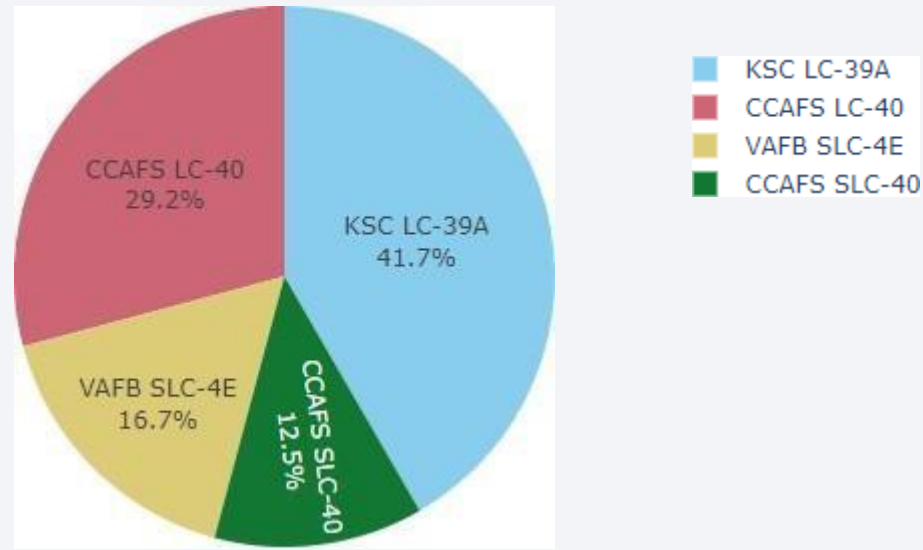
- Using KSC LC-39A as an example, launch sites are very close to railways for large part and supply transportation. Launch sites are close to highways for human and supply transport. Launch sites are also close to coasts and relatively far from cities so that launch failures can land in the sea to avoid rockets falling on densely populated areas.



Section 4

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

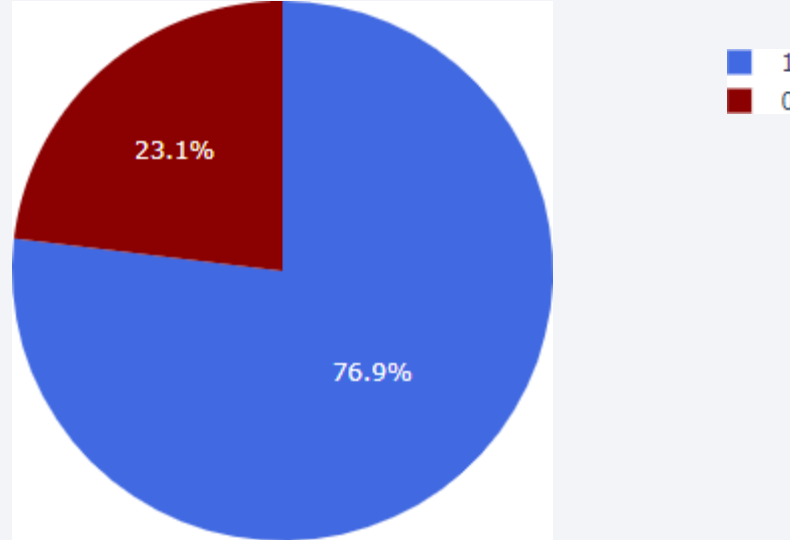
Successful Launches Across Launch Sites



- This is the distribution of successful landings across all launch sites. CCAFS LC-40 is the old name of CCAFS SLC-40 so CCAFS and KSC have the same amount of successful landings, but a majority of the successful landings were performed before the name change. VAFB has the smallest share of successful landings. This may be due to smaller sample and increase in difficulty of launching in the west coast.

Highest Success Rate Launch Site

KSC LC-39A Success Rate (blue=success)



- KSC LC-39A has the highest success rate with 10 successful landings and 3 failed landings.

Payload Mass vs. Success vs. Booster Version Category



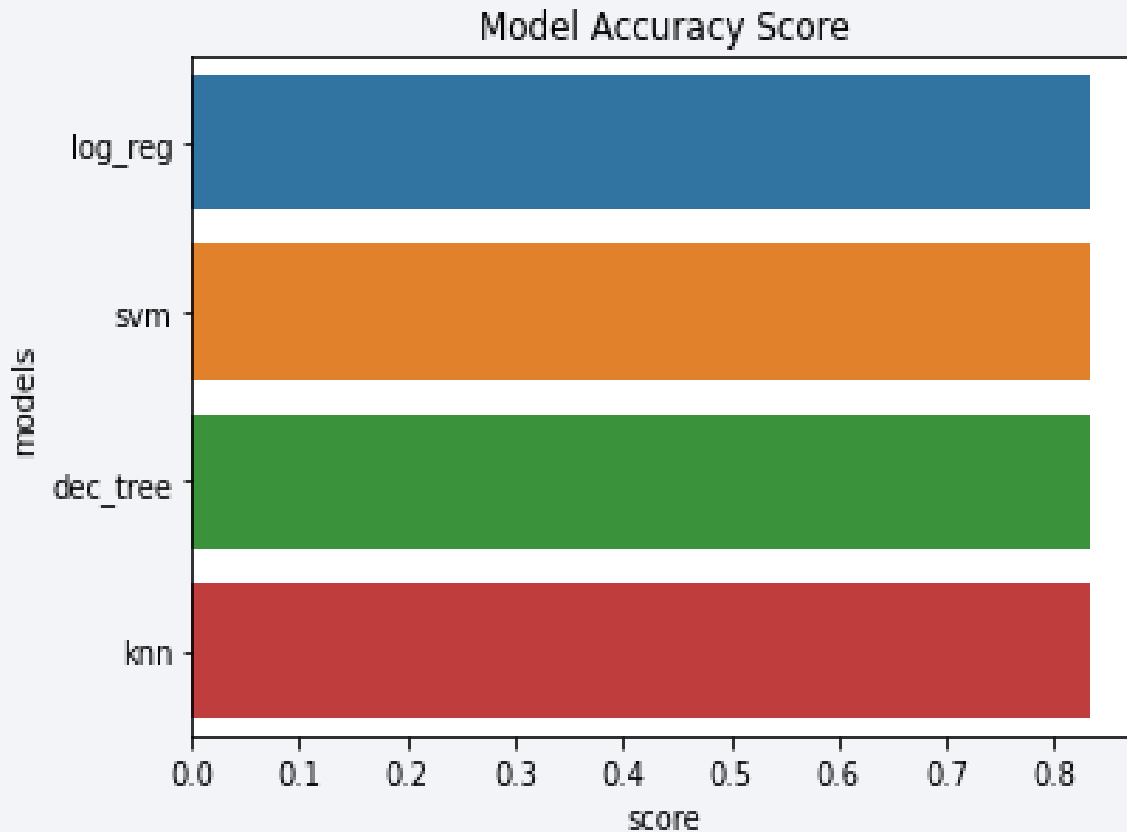
- Plotly dashboard has a Payload range selector. However, this is set from 0-10000 instead of the max Payload of 15600. Class indicates 1 for successful landing and 0 for failure. Scatter plot also accounts for booster version category in color and number of launches in point size. In this particular range of 0-6000, interestingly there are two failed landings with payloads of zero kg.



Section 5

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

Classification Accuracy



- All models had virtually the same accuracy on the test set at 83.33% accuracy. It should be noted that test size is small at only sample size of 18.
- This can cause large variance in accuracy results, such as those in Decision Tree Classifier model in repeated runs.
- We likely need more data to determine the best model.

Confusion Matrix



Correct predictions are on a diagonal from top left to bottom right.

- Since all models performed the same for the test set, the confusion matrix is the same across all models. The models predicted 12 successful landings when the true label was successful landing.
- The models predicted 3 unsuccessful landings when the true label was unsuccessful landing.
- The models predicted 3 successful landings when the true label was unsuccessful landings (false positives). Our models over predict successful landings.

Conclusions

- Our task: to develop a machine learning model for Space Y who wants to bid against SpaceX
- The goal of model is to predict when Stage 1 will successfully land to save ~\$100 million USD
- Used data from a public SpaceX API and web scraping SpaceX Wikipedia page
- Created data labels and stored data into a DB2 SQL database
- Created a dashboard for visualization
- We created a machine learning model with an accuracy of 83%
- Elon Musk of SpaceY can use this model to predict with relatively high accuracy whether a launch will have a successful Stage 1 landing before launch to determine whether the launch should be made or not
- If possible more data should be collected to better determine the best machine learning model and improve accuracy

Appendix

- Github Repository url:
- <https://github.com/AnishKundu28/IBM-Data-Science/tree/main>
- Instructors:
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