

Winning Space Race with Data Science

Data Science Capstone Project Presentation

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Executive Summary

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Introduction

Project background and context

• The era of commercial space has arrived, and there are several companies that are making space travel affordable for everyone. Perhaps the most successful of them is SpaceX, and one of the reasons is that their rocket launch is relatively inexpensive. SpaceX 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 SpaceX can reuse the first stage. Therefore, we will predict if the Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully. 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 SpaceX for a rocket launch.

Problems you want to find answers

- Correlations between each rocket variables and successful landing rate
- Conditions to get the best results and ensure the best successful landing rat



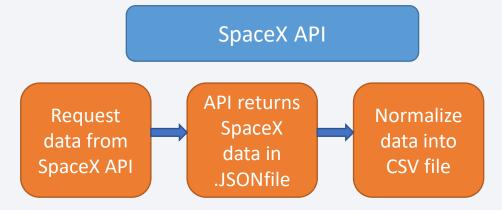
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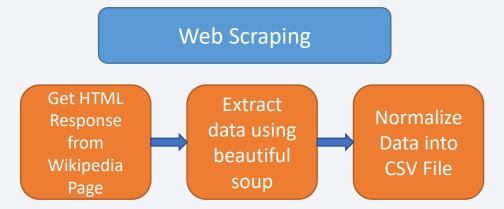
Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - SpaceX API & Web Scraping <u>Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy Launches</u> <u>Records from Wikipedia</u>
- Perform data wrangling
 - Convert outcomes into Training Labels with the booster successfully/unsuccessful landed
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - Find best Hyperparameter for SVM, Classification Trees and Logistic Regression

Data Collection

- The data collection process includes a combination of API requests from the SpaceX API and web scraping data from a table in the Wikipedia page of SpaceX, Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy Launches Records. O SpaceX API Data Columns: FlightNumber, Date, BoosterVersion, PayloadMass, Orbit, LaunchSite, Outcome, Flights, GridFins, Reused, Legs, LandingPad, Block, ReusedCount, Serial, Longitude, Latitude
- Wikipedia Web Scrape Data Columns: Flight No., Launch site, Payload, PayloadMass, Orbit, Customer, Launch outcome, Version Booster, Booster landing, Date, Time





Data Collection - SpaceX API

1. Requesting rocket launch data from SpaceX API:

```
In [6]: spacex_url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"
In [7]: response = requests.get(spacex_url)
Check the content of the response
```

2. Converting Response to a JSON File

3. Using Custom Functions to Clean Data

```
In [16]: # Call getBoosterVersion getBoosterVersion(data)

[19]: # Call getPayloadData getPayloadData (data)

[20]: # Call getCoreData getCoreData getCoreData(data)
```

4. Combining the column into a dictionary to create data frame :

```
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}
Then, we need to create a Pandas data frame from the dictionary launch_dict.
 # Create a data from launch dict
 df = pd.DataFrame.from dict(launch dict)
```

Filtering Dataframe and exporting to a CSV

```
data_falcon9.loc[:,'FlightNumber'] = list(range(1, data_falcon9.shape[0]+1))
data_falcon9

data_falcon9.to_csv('dataset_part\_1.csv', index=False)
```

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Data Collection - Scraping

1. Getting response from HTML

```
# assign the response to a object
html_data = requests.get(static_url).text
```

2. Creating a BeautifulSoup object

```
soup = BeautifulSoup(html_data, 'html5lib')
```

3. Creating a BeautifulSoup object

```
html_tables = soup.find_all('table')
```

4. Extracting column name one by one

```
column_names = []

# Apply find_all() function with `th` element on first_launa
# Iterate each th element and apply the provided extract_col
# Append the Non-empty column name (`if name is not None and
for row in first_launch_table.find_all('th'):
    name = extract_column_from_header(row)
    if(name != None and len(name) > 0):
        column_names.append(name)
```

GitHub URL

5. Creating an empty dictionary with keys

```
launch dict= dict.fromkeys(column names)
# Remove an irrelvant column
del launch dict['Date and time ( )']
# Let's initial the launch_dict with each value to
launch_dict['Flight No.'] = []
launch_dict['Launch site'] = []
launch dict['Payload'] = []
launch dict['Payload mass'] = []
launch dict['Orbit'] = []
launch dict['Customer'] = []
launch dict['Launch outcome'] = []
# Added some new columns
launch dict['Version Booster']=[]
launch dict['Booster landing']=[]
launch dict['Date']=[]
launch_dict['Time']=[]
```

6. Filling up the launch_dict with launch records (Too long to put in here, so please refer to the notebook)

```
df = pd.DataFrame.from_dict(launch_dict, orient="index").reset_index()
```

7. Creating a Dataframe and exporting it to a CSV

```
df.to_csv('spacex_web_scraped.csv', index=False)
```

Data Wrangling

- There are several cases in which the booster failed to successfully land on the dataset, and sometimes it attempted to land but failed because of accident.
 - True Ocean: the mission result has successfully landed in a specific area of the ocean
 - False Ocean: the mission result has not successfully landed in a specific area of the ocean
 - o True RTLS: the mission result successfully landed on the ground pad
 - False RTLS: the mission result has not successfully landed on the ground pad
 - True ASDS: the mission result has successfully landed on the drone ship
 - False ASDS: the mission result has not landed on the drone ship
- Converting these results into training labels:
 - 1 = successful / 0 = failure
- GitHub Link

Data Wrangling

1. Calculating the number of launches at each site

```
df.LaunchSite.value_counts()
```

2. Calculating the number and occurrence of each orbit

```
df.Orbit.value_counts()
```

3. Calculating the number and occurrence of mission outcome per orbit type

```
landing_outcomes = df.Outcome.value_counts()
landing_outcomes
```

• GitHub Link

5. Creating a landing outcome label from Outcome column

```
landing_class = []

for outcome in df['Outcome']:
    if outcome in bad_outcomes:
        landing_class.append(0)
    else:
        landing_class.append(1)
```

6. Calculating the success rate for every landing in dataset

```
df["Class"].mean()
0.666666666666666
```

7. Exporting dataset to a CSV

```
df.to_csv("dataset_part\_2.csv", index=False)
```

EDA with Data Visualization

Scatter chart:

- o Flight Number vs. Launch Site
- o Payload vs. Launch Site
- o Flight Number vs. Orbit Type
- o Payload vs. Orbit Type
- O A scatter plot shows how much one variable is affected by another. The relationship between two variables is called a correlation. This plot is generally composed of large data bodies.

Bar chart:

- o Orbit Type vs. Success Rate
- O A Bar chart makes it easy to compare datasets between multiple groups at a glance. One axis represents a category and the other axis represents a discrete value. The purpose of this chart is to indicate the relationship between the two axes.

• Line chart:

- o O Year vs. Success Rate
- o A Line chart shows data variables and trends very clearly and helps predict the results of data that has not yet been recorded.
- GitHub URL

EDA with SQL

- Loading the dataset into the corresponding table in a Db2 database, and executing SQL queries to answer following questions:
 - o Displaying the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission
 - o Displaying 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'
 - o Displaying the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
 - o Displaying average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
 - o Listing the date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was achieved O Listing the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000
 - o Listing the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes O Listing the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass
 - o Listing the failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015
 - o Ranking 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
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Build an Interactive Map with Folium

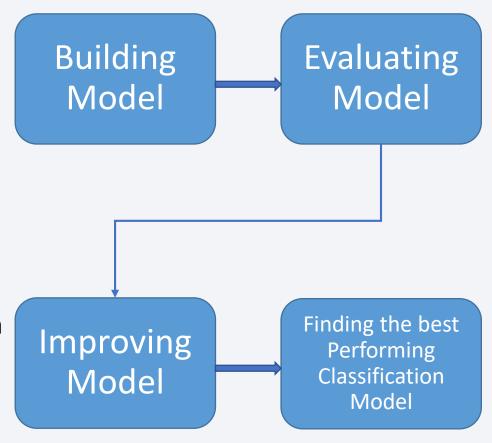
- Objects created and added to a folium map:
 - Markers that show all launch sites on a map
 - Markers that show the success/failed launches for each site on the map
 - Lines that show the distances between a launch site to its proximities
- By adding these objects, following geographical patterns about launch sites are found:
 - Are launch sites in close proximity to railways? Yes
 - Are launch sites in close proximity to highways? Yes
 - Are launch sites in close proximity to coastline? Yes
 - Do launch sites keep certain distance away from cities? Yes
- GitHub Link/IBM Cloud Link

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- The dashboard application contains a pie chart and a scatter point chart.
 - o Pie chart:
 - For showing total success launches by sites
 - This chart can be selected to indicate a successful landing distribution across all launch sites or to indicate the success rate of individual launch sites.
 - Scatter chart :
 - For showing the relationship between Outcomes and Payload mass(Kg) by different boosters
 - Has 2 inputs: All sites/individual site & Payload mass on a slider between 0 and 10000 kg
 - This chart helps determine how success depends on the launch point, payload mass, and booster version categories.
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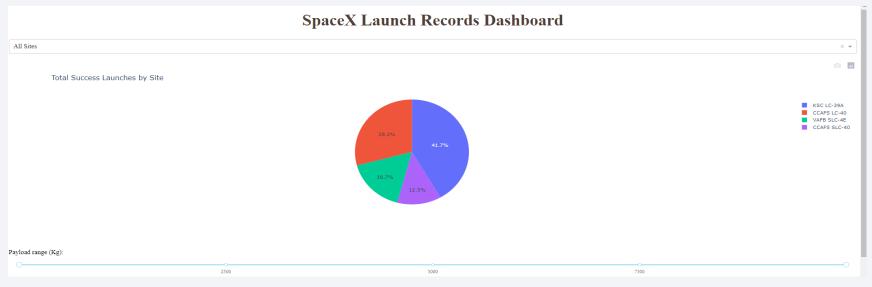
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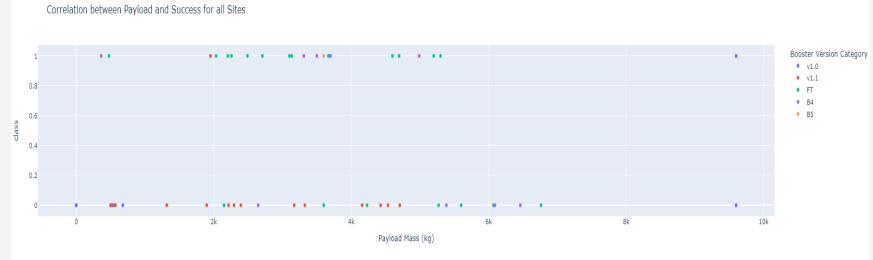
- Perform exploratory Data Analysis and determine Training Labels
 - Create a column for the class
 - Standardize the data
 - Split into training data and test data
- Find best Hyperparameter for SVM,
 Classification Trees and Logistic Regression
 - Find the method performs best using test data



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Results



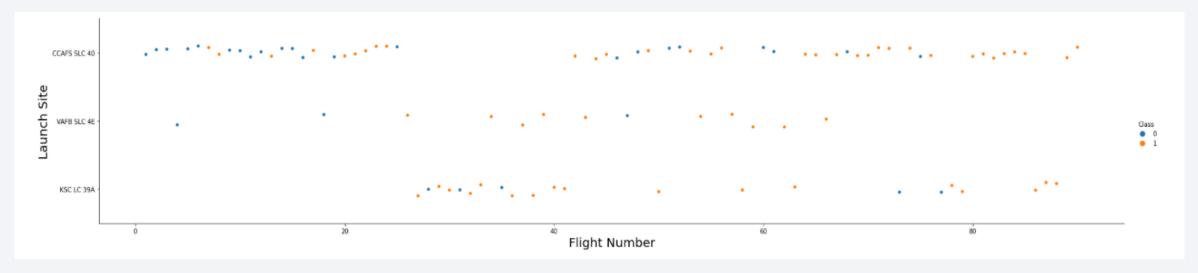


- The left screenshot is a preview of the Dashboard with Plotly Dash.
- The results of EDA with visualization, EDA with SQL, Interactive Map with Folium, and Interactive Dashboard will be shown in the next slides.
- Comparing the accuracy of the four methods, all return the same accuracy of about 83% for test data.



Flight Number vs. Launch Site

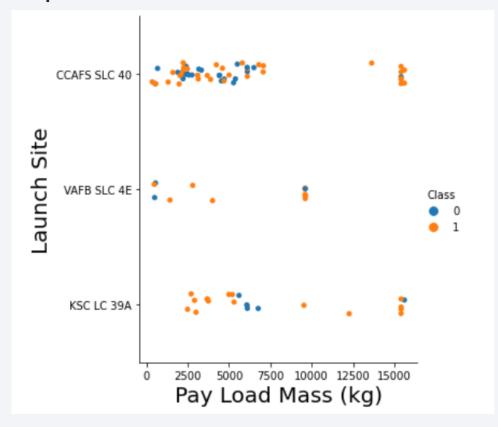
Screenshot of the scatter plot with explanations



- Class 0 (blue) represents unsuccessful launch, and Class 1 (orange) represents successful launch.
- This figure shows that the success rate increased as the number of flights increased.
- As the success rate has increased considerably since the 20th flight, this point seems to be a big breakthrough.

Payload vs. Launch Site

 Screenshot of the scatter plot with explanations

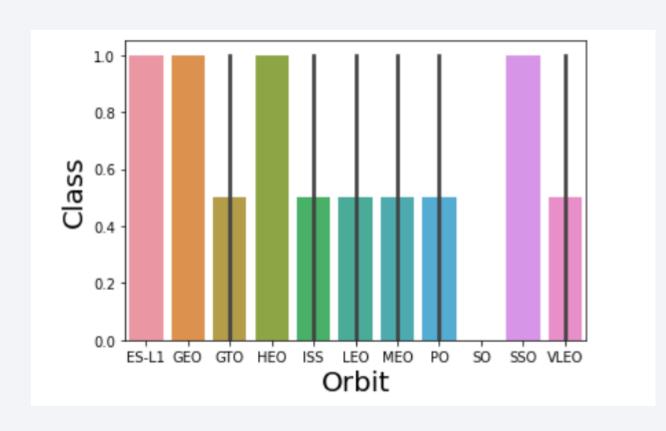


 Class 0 (blue) represents unsuccessful launch, and Class 1 (orange) represents successful launch.

 At first glance, the larger pay load mass, the higher the rocket's success rate, but it seems difficult to make decisions based on this figure because no clear pattern can be found between successful launch and Pay Load Mass.

Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

Screenshot of the scatter plot with explanations:

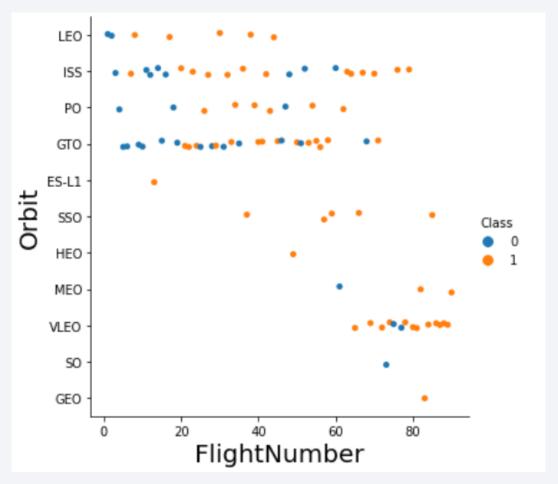


• Orbit types SSO, HEO, GEO, and ES-L1 have the highest success rates (100%).

 On the other hand, the success rate of orbit type GTO is only 50%, and it is the lowest except for type SO, which recorded failure in a single attempt.

Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

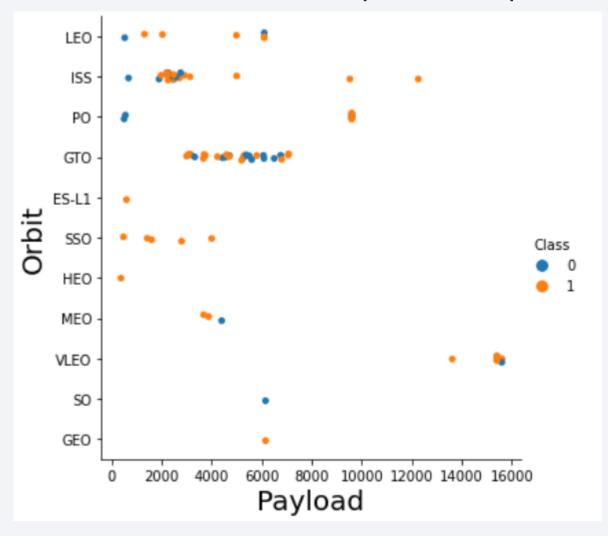
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- Class 0 (blue) represents unsuccessful launch, and Class 1 (orange) represents successful launch.
- In most cases, the launch outcome seems to be correlated with the flight number.
- On the other hand, in GTO orbit, there seems to be no relationship between flight numbers and success rate.
- SpaceX starts with LEO with a moderate success rate, and it seems that VLEO, which has a high success rate, is used the most in recent launches.

Payload vs. Orbit Type

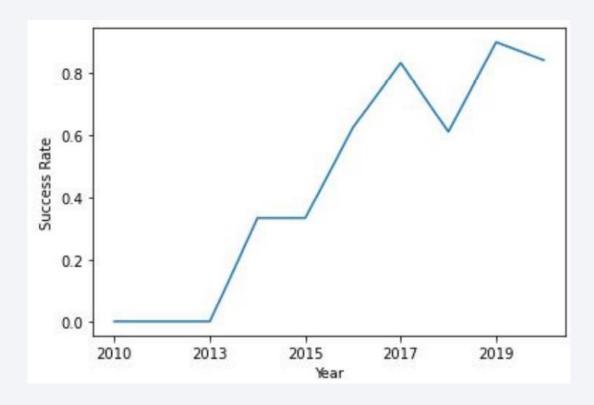
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- Class 0 (blue) represents unsuccessful launch, and Class 1 (orange) represents successful launch.
- With heavy payloads the successful landing or positive landing rate are more for LEO and ISS.
- However, in the case of GTO, it is hard to distinguish between the positive landing rate and the negative landing because they are all gathered together

Launch Success Yearly Trend

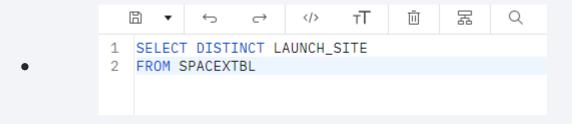
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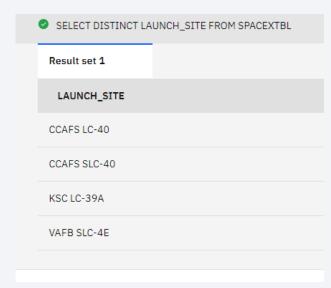
- Since 2013, the success rate has continued to increase until 2017.
- The rate decreased slightly in 2018.
- Recently, it has shown a success rate of about 80%

All Launch Site Names

Find the names of the unique launch sites (Query):



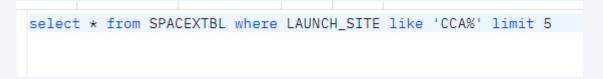
Result :



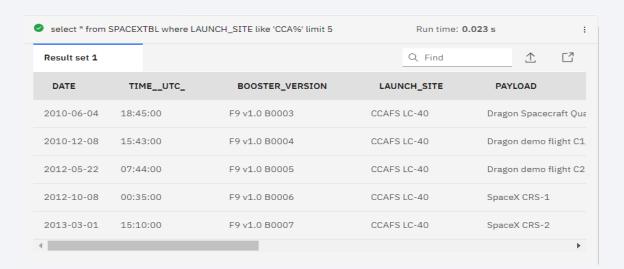
- When the SQL DISTINCT clause is used in the query, only unique values are displayed in the Launch_Site column from the SpaceX table.
- There are four unique launch sites: CCAFS LC-40, CCAFS SLC-40, KSC LC-39A, VAFB SLC-4E

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

 Find 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA` (Query)



Result :



 Only five records of the SpaceX table were displayed using LIMIT 5 clause in the query.

 Using the LIKE operator and the percent sign (%) together, the Launch_Site name starting with CAA could be called

Total Payload Mass

 Calculate the total payload carried by boosters from NASA (Query):

```
SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)
AS total_payload_mass_kg
FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE CUSTOMER = 'NASA (CRS)'
```

SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) AS total_payload_mass_kg FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE CUSTOMER = 'NASA (CRS)'

• Result :-

```
SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) AS total_payload_mass_kg FROM ...

Result set 1

TOTAL_PAYLOAD_MASS_KG

45596
```

Using the SUM()
 function to calculate
 the sum of column
 PAYLOAD_MASS__KG

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 In the WHERE clause, filter the dataset to perform calculations only if Customer is NASA (CRS)

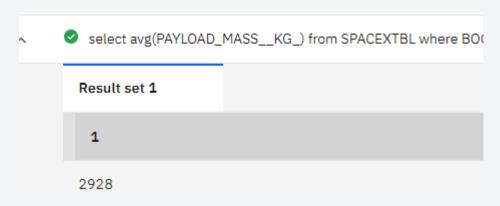
Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

 Calculate the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

```
1 select avg(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)
2 from SPACEXTBL
3 where BOOSTER_VERSION = 'F9 v1.1'
```

```
select avg(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)
from SPACEXTBL
where BOOSTER_VERSION = 'F9 v1.1'
```

Result :-



- Using the AVG() function to calculate the average value of column PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_.
- In the WHERE clause, filter the dataset to perform calculations only if Booster_version is F9 v1.1

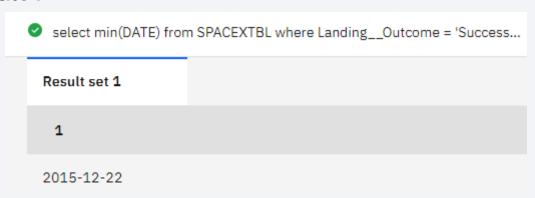
First Successful Ground Landing Date

 Find the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad (Query)

```
select min(DATE)
from SPACEXTBL
where Landing_Outcome = 'Success (ground pad)'

select min(DATE)
from SPACEXTBL
where Landing_Outcome = 'Success (ground pad)'
```

Result :



- Using the MIN()
 function to find out
 the earliest date in
 the column DATE.
- In the WHERE clause, filter the dataset to perform a search only if Landing_outcome is Success (ground pad).

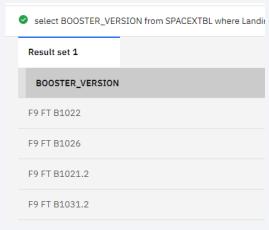
Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

 List the names of boosters which have successfully landed on drone ship and had payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000 (Query)

```
select BOOSTER_VERSION from SPACEXTBL
where Landing__Outcome = 'Success (drone ship)'
and PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ > 4000 and PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ <
6000
```

select BOOSTER_VERSION
from SPACEXTBL
where Landing__Outcome = 'Success (drone ship)'
and PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ > 4000 and PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ < 6000

• Report:



- In the WHERE clause, filter the dataset to perform a search if Landing_outcome is Success (drone ship).
 - Using the AND
 operator to display
 a record if
 additional condition
 PAYLOAD_MASS__K
 G_ is between 4000
 and 6000

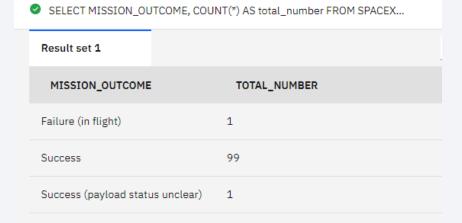
Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

 Calculate the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes (Query)

SELECT MISSION_OUTCOME, COUNT(*) AS total_number FROM SPACEXTBL GROUP BY MISSION_OUTCOME

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Result :



- Using the COUNT() function to calculate the total number of columns.
- Using the GROUP BY statement, groups rows that have the same values into summary rows to find the total number in each Mission_outcome.
- According to the result, SpaceX seems to have successfully completed nearly 99% of its missions.

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

 List the names of the booster which have carried the maximum payload mass(Query)

```
select BOOSTER_VERSION

from SPACEXTBL

where PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ = (select
max(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) from SPACEXTBL)
```

```
select BOOSTER_VERSION
    from SPACEXTBL
    where PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ = (select max(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) from SPACEXTBL)
```

- Using a subquery, first, find the maximum value of the payload by using MAX() function, and second, filter the dataset to perform a search if PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ is the maximum value of the payload.
- According to the result, version F9 B5 B10xx.x boosters could carried the maximum payload

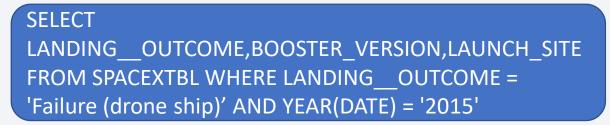
• Result:

BOOSTER_VERSION
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 B1058.3
F9 B5 B1051.6
F9 B5 B1060.3
F9 B5 B1049.7

2015 Launch Records

• List the failed landing_outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015(Query)

• Result:





```
SELECT LANDING__OUTCOME,
BOOSTER_VERSION,
LAUNCH_SITE

FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE LANDING__OUTCOME = 'Failure (drone ship)'
AND YEAR(DATE) = '2015'
```

- In the WHERE clause, filter the dataset to perform a search if Landing__outcome is Failure (drone ship).
 - Using the AND operator to display a record if additional condition YEAR is 2015.
- In 2015, there were two landing failures on drone ships

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

 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(Query)

```
SELECT LANDING__OUTCOME,
COUNT(LANDING__OUTCOME) AS total_number FROM
SPACEXTBL WHERE DATE BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-
03-20' GROUP BY LANDING__OUTCOME ORDER BY
total_number DESC
```

SELECT LANDING__OUTCOME,
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GROUP BY LANDING__OUTCOME
ORDER BY total_number DESC

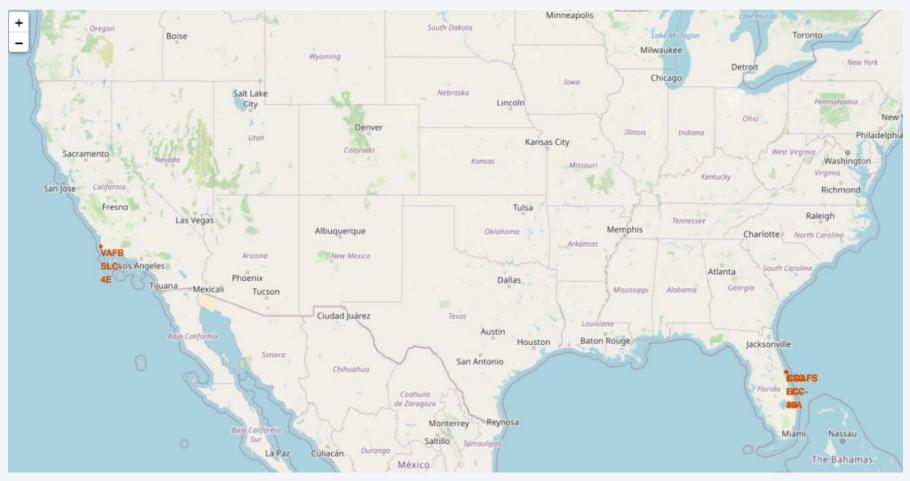
• Report :

Result set 1	
LANDING_OUTCOME	TOTAL_NUMBER
No attempt	10
Failure (drone ship)	5
Success (drone ship)	5
Controlled (ocean)	3
Success (ground pad)	3

- In the WHERE clause, filter the dataset to perform a search if the date is between 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20.
- Using the ORDER BY keyword to sort the records by total number of landing, and using DESC keyword to sort the records in descending order.
- According to the results, the number of successes and failures between 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20 was similar



All Launch Sites' Locations



- The left map shows all SpaceX launch sites, and the right map also shows that all launch sites are in the United States.
- As can be seen on the map, all launch sites are near the coast

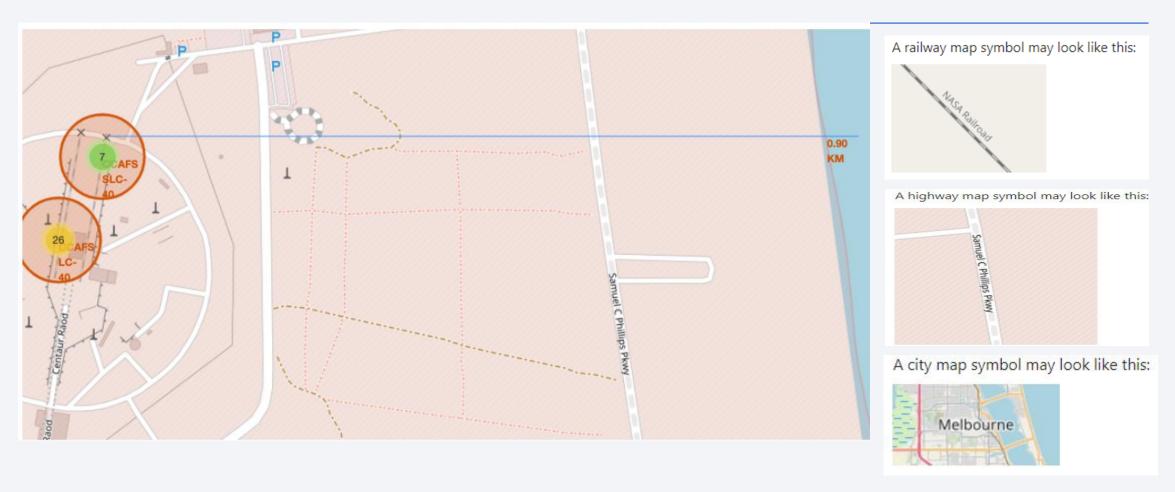
Color-labeled Launch Outcomes





 By clicking on the marker clusters, successful landing (green) or failed landing (red) are displayed

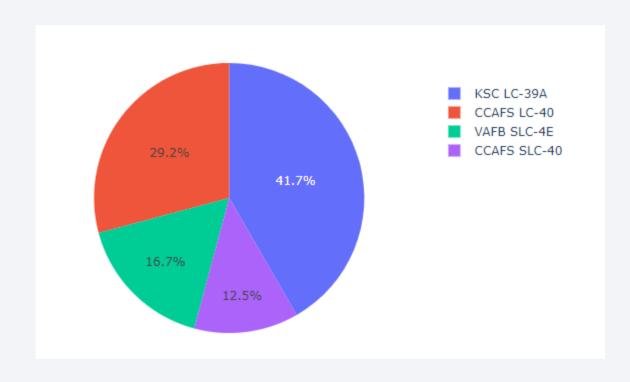
Proximities of Launch Sites



• It can be found that the launch site is close to railways and highways for transportation of equipment or personnel, and is also close to coastline and relatively far from the cities so that launch failure does not pose a threat

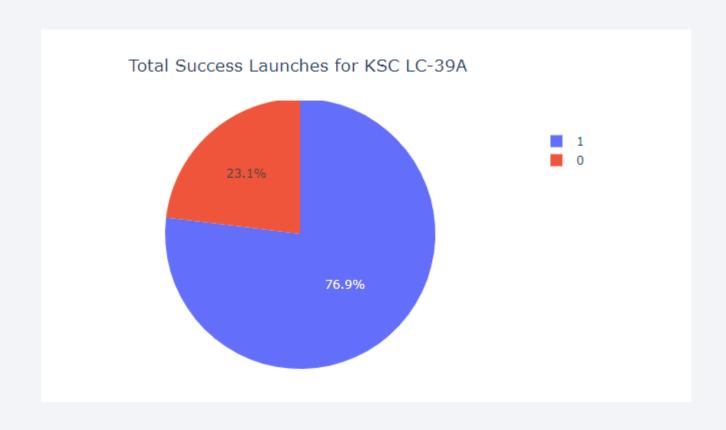


Total Success Launches By all sites



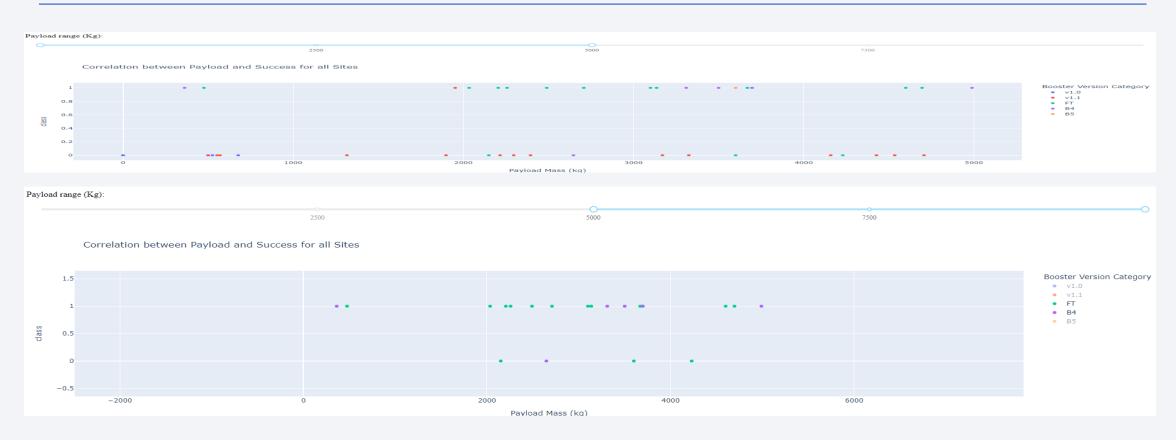
- KSLC-39A records the most launch success among all sites.
- The VAFB SLC-4E has the fewest launch success, possibly because
 - o the data sample is small, or
 - because it is the only site located in California, so the launch difficulty on the west coast may be higher than on the east coast.

Launch Site with Highest Launch Success Ratio



 KSLC-39A has the highest success rate with 10 landing successes (76.9%) and 3 landing failures (23.1%).

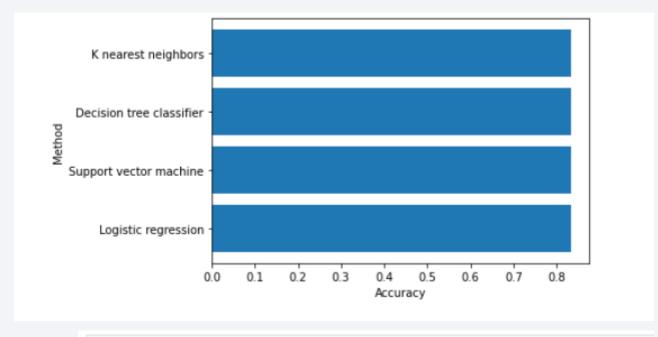
Payload vs. Launch Outcome Scatter Plot for all sites



• These figures show that the launch success rate (class 1) for low weighted payloads(0-5000 kg) is higher than that of heavy weighted payloads(5000-10000 kg).

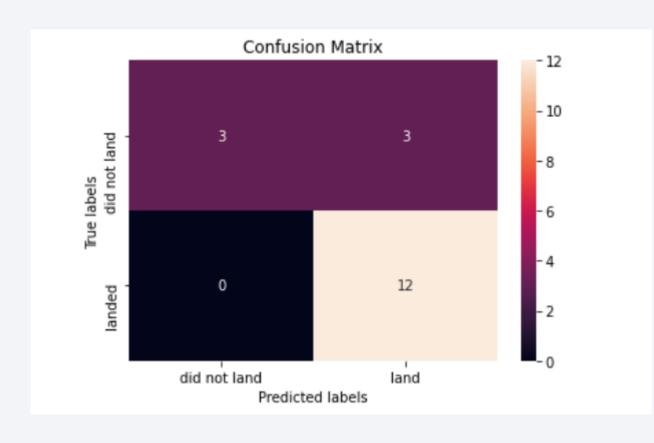


Classification Accuracy



- In the test set, the accuracy of all models was virtually the same at 83.33%.
- It should be noted that the test size was small at 18.
- Therefore, more data is needed to determine the optimal model

Confusion Matrix



- The confusion matrix is the same for all models because all models performed the same for the test set.
- The models predicted 12 successful landings when the true label was successful and 3 failed landings when the true label was failure. But there were also 3 predictions that said successful landings when the true label was failure (false positive).
- Overall, these models predict successful landings.

Conclusions

- Point 1: As the number of flights increased, the success rate increased, and recently it has exceeded 80%.
- Point 2: Orbital types SSO, HEO, GEO, and ES-L1 have the highest success rate (100%).
- Point 3: The launch site is close to railways, highways, and coastline, but far from cities.
- Point 4: KSLC-39A has the highest number of launch successes and the highest success rate among all sites.
- Point 5: The launch success rate of low weighted payloads is higher than that of heavy weighted payloads.
- Point 6: In this dataset, all models have the same accuracy (83.33%), but it seems that more data is needed to determine the optimal model due to the small data size.

Appendix

- GitHub Link
- IBM Cloud Notebooks

