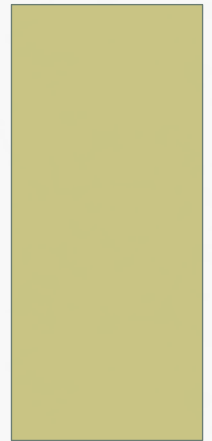


# DATA SCIENCE CAPSTONE PROJECT; SPACE'X

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# OUTLINE

- Executive Summary
- Introduction
- Methodology
- Results
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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## **Summary of Methodologies**

- Data Collection via API, SQL and Web Scraping
- Data Wrangling and Analysis
- Interactive Maps with Folium
- Predictive Analysis for each Classification model
- Summary of all results
- Data Analysis along with Interactive Visualizations
- Best model for Predictive Analysis

# INTRODUCTION

- Project background
- Predict if the Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully. SpaceX advertises Falcon 9 rocket launches on its website with a cost of 62 million dollars while providers cost upward of 165 Million dollars each. SpaceX can reuse the first stage. Therefore determining the successful landing can reduce cost.
- Problems to be solved
- Factors for successful landing of the rocket
- Influence of features on outcome

# METHODOLOGY

- Data Collection is the process of gathering and measuring information on targeted variables ,. This enables to evaluates outcomes and answer the relevant question.

# METHODOLOGY

Data collection methodology:

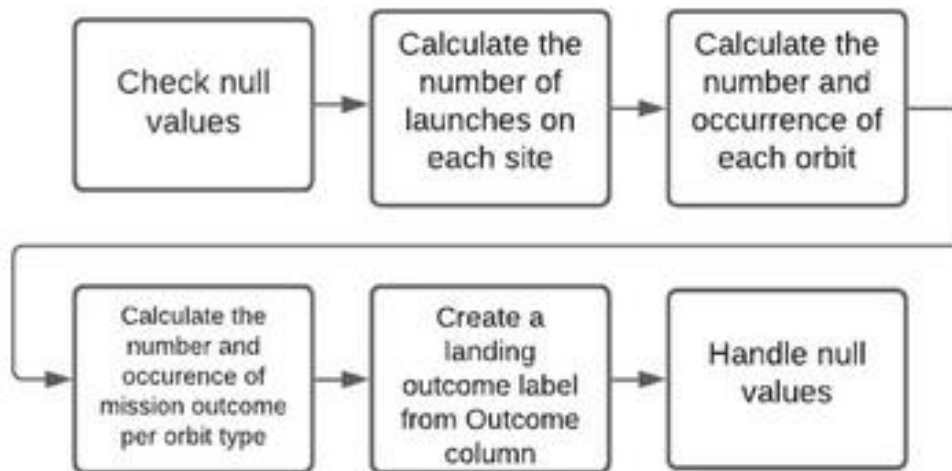
- Collect rocket launch data from SpaceX API
- Perform data wrangling
- Modify and add columns, useful for training models
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
- Break dataset into training and test data
- Develop various models (KNN, Decision Tree, etc...) using train data
- Assess accuracy scores of models and their best parameters using test data

# DATA COLLECTION

- Data was collected from several maners
- Via SpaceX API
- Via Web Scraping

# DATA WRANGLING

## EDA analysis





# EDA

- EDA with Data Visualization
- EDA with SQL

# EDA WITH DATA VISUALIZATION

- Here, a number of plots showing relationships between different variables:
  - Flight Number vs. Payload (Cat plot)
  - Flight Number vs. Launch Site (Cat plot)
  - Launch Site vs. Payload (Scatter plot)
  - Success Rate vs. Orbit type (Bar plot)
  - Orbit type vs. Flight Number (Scatter plot)
  - Orbit type vs. Payload (Scatter plot)
  - Success rate vs. Time in years (Line plot)
- An explanation of these various plots are shown in Section 2
- We also perform some one-hot encoding in this section

# EDA WITH SQL

- Using SQL allows us to make complicated queries without much difficulty.
- Here, we make some basic queries on our data to get a better sense for the relationships between variables, particularly the following:
  - Launch Site
  - Payload Mass (kg)
  - Mission Outcome
  - Booster Version
  - Date

# BUILD AN INTERACTIVE MAP WITH FOLIUM

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  - View where each Falcon 9 launch site is located, represented by a circle
  - Learn how many launches occurred at each location, represented by markers. Green markers represent a successful recovery while red markers represent unsuccessful one

# BUILD A DASHBOARD WITH PLOTLY DASH

- Using Plotly Dash, we made a dashboard that shows:
  - A pie chart showing the proportion of successful recoveries to unsuccessful ones for each site
  - A Recovery Outcome vs. Payload Mass scatter plot with a range (0-10000kg)
- The dashboard provides insight into the launch sites' and payload masses' relationships with the recovery outcomes.

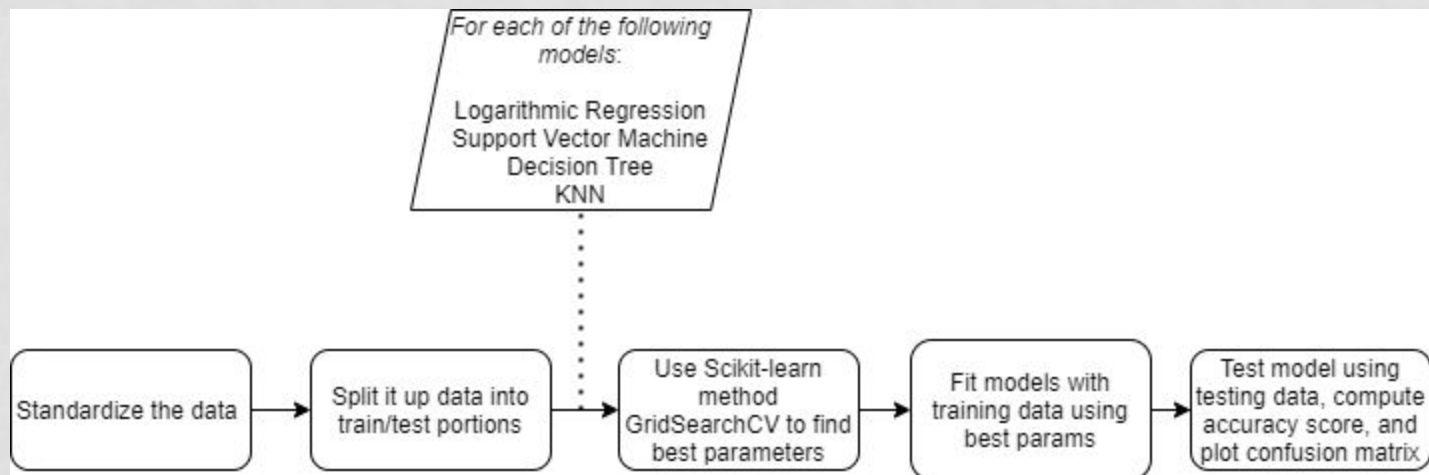
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  - Determine distances to the closest coastline, city, railway, and highway,
  - each represented by a blue line.

# DASHBOARD WITH PLOTLY DASH

- Through Plotly Dash, we made a dashboard that shows:
  - A **pie chart** showing the proportion of successful recoveries to unsuccessful ones for each site (which can be changed via a dropdown menu)
  - A Recovery Outcome vs. Payload Mass **scatter plot** with a range (0-10000kg) with bounds that can be changed by the user
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# PREDICTIVE ANALYSIS (CLASSIFICATION)

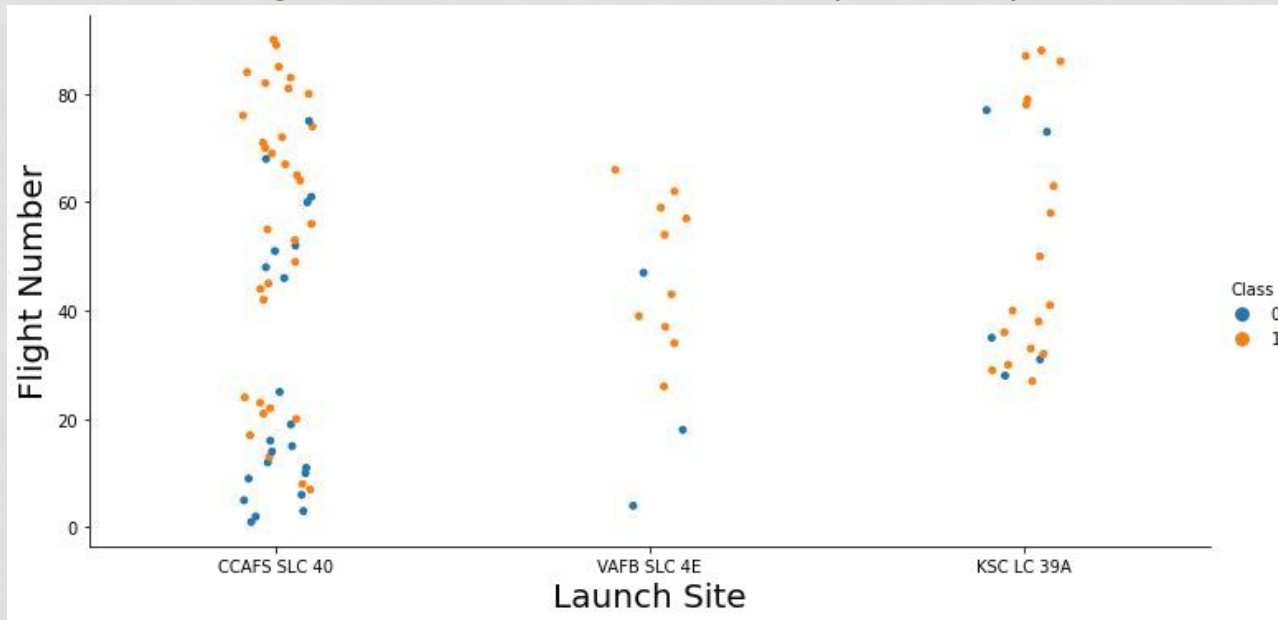




# INSIGHTS DRAWN FROM EDA

# EDA WITH DATA VISUALIZATION

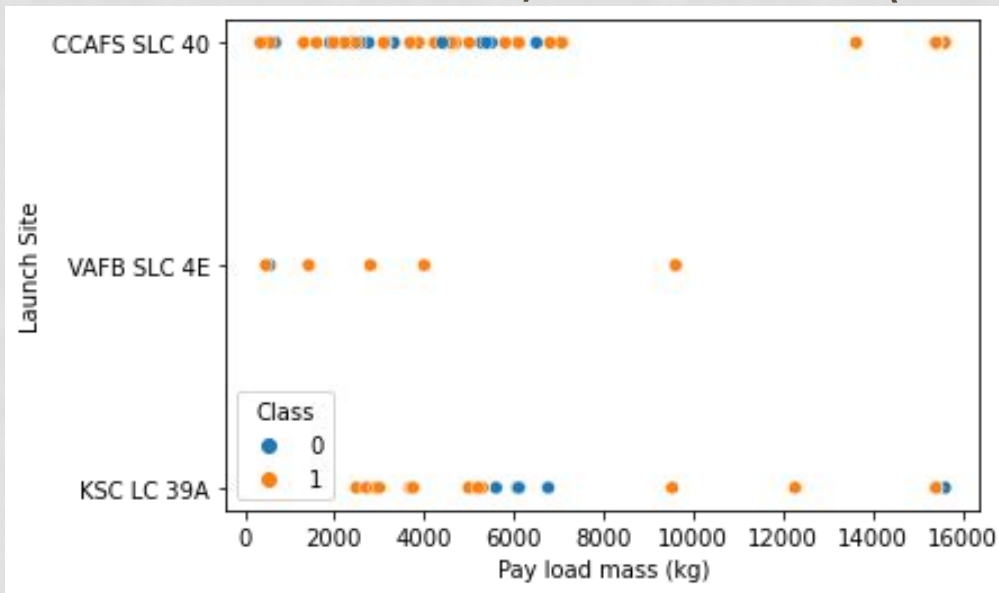
Flight Number vs Launch Site (Cat Plot)



- Rate of success has grown over time at each site, though KSC LC-39A seems to be the most consistent

# EDA WITH DATA VISUALIZATION

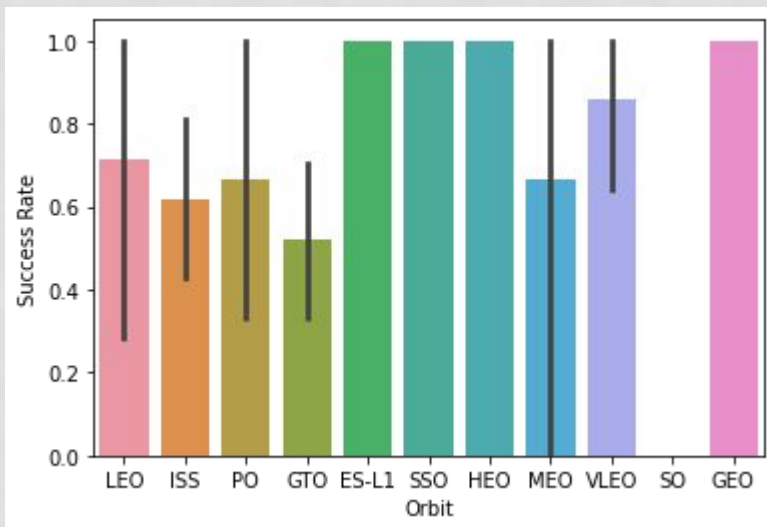
## Launch Site vs Payload Mass (Scatter Plot)



- Smaller payloads (<6000 kgs) seem to correlate with higher success rate

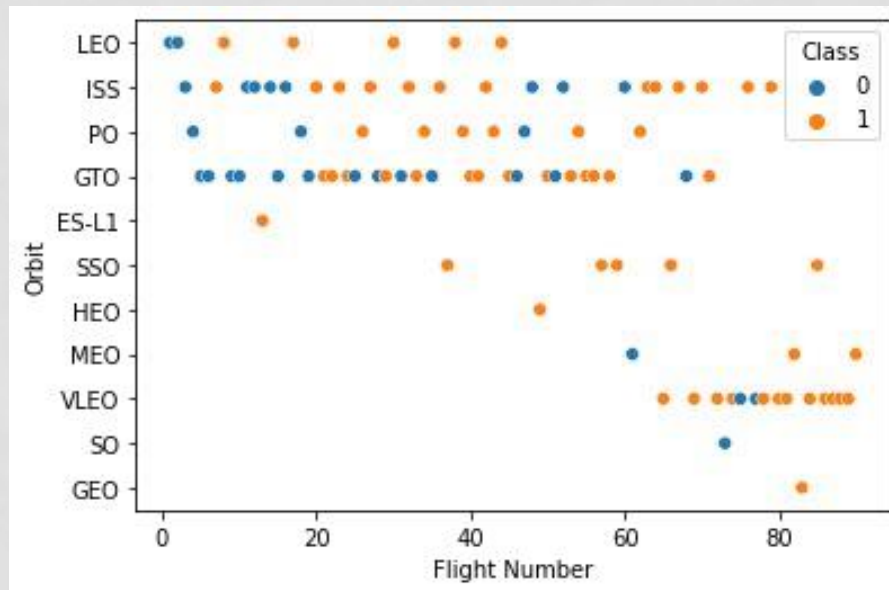
# EDA WITH DATA VISUALIZATION

Success Rate vs. Orbit Type (Bar plot)



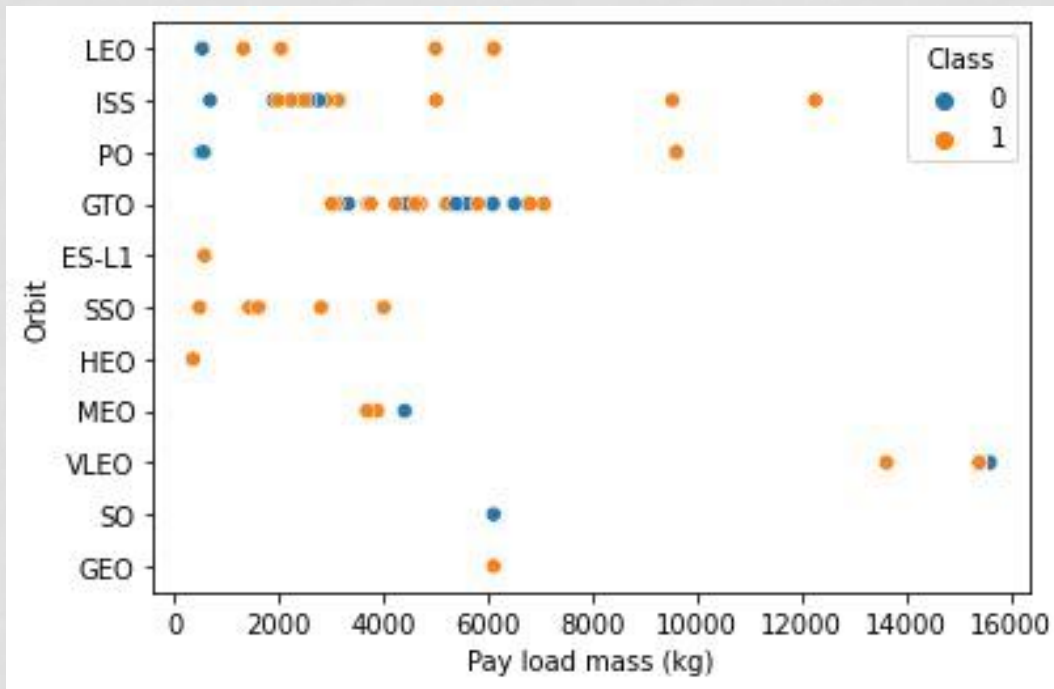
ES-L1, SSO, HEO, and GEO orbits are very reliable

# FLIGHT NUMBER VS. ORBIT TYPE



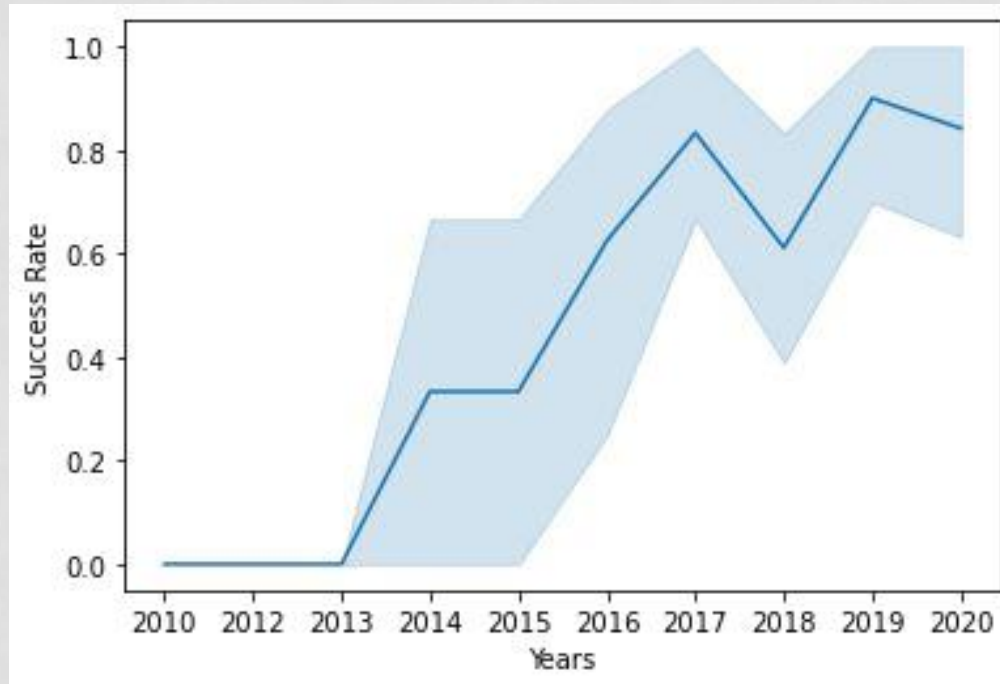
- However, ES-L1, HEO, and GEO success rate may be skewed due to each having only 1 launch
- LEO, SSO, and VLEO seem all have high success rates while having high sample sizes

# PAYLOAD VS. ORBIT TYPE



- LEO and SSO orbits' success may be due to light payloads

# LAUNCH SUCCESS YEARLY TREND



- Overall success rate increased from 2013 to 2017, where it has more or less stagnated

# ALL LAUNCH SITE NAMES

launch_site
CCAFS LC-40
CCAFS SLC-40
KSC LC-39A
VAFB SLC-4E

- we have 4 unique launch site locations



# LAUNCH SITE NAMES BEGIN WITH 'CCA'

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

First 5 records for launch sites that begin with 'CCA'

# TOTAL PAYLOAD MASS

1

111268

# AVERAGE PAYLOAD MASS BY F9 V1.1

1
2534

# FIRST SUCCESSFUL GROUND LANDING DATE

**1**

**2010-06-04**

# SUCCESSFUL DRONE SHIP LANDING WITH PAYLOAD BETWEEN 4000 AND 6000

<b>booster_version</b>
F9 FT B1022
F9 FT B1026
F9 FT B1021.2
F9 FT B1031.2

# TOTAL NUMBER OF SUCCESSFUL AND FAILURE MISSION OUTCOMES

- Success

1
100

- Failure

1
1

# BOOSTERS CARRIED MAXIMUM PAYLOAD

<b>booster_version</b>
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

DATE	landing__outcome	booster_version	launch_site
2015-01-10	Failure (drone ship)	F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40
2015-04-14	Failure (drone ship)	F9 v1.1 B1015	CCAFS LC-40



# RANK LANDING OUTCOMES BETWEEN 2010-06-04 AND 2017-03-20

landing__outcome	counts
No attempt	10
Failure (drone ship)	5
Success (drone ship)	5
Controlled (ocean)	3
Success (ground pad)	3
Failure (parachute)	2
Uncontrolled (ocean)	2
Precluded (drone ship)	1

# LAUNCH SITES PROXIMITIES ANALYSIS

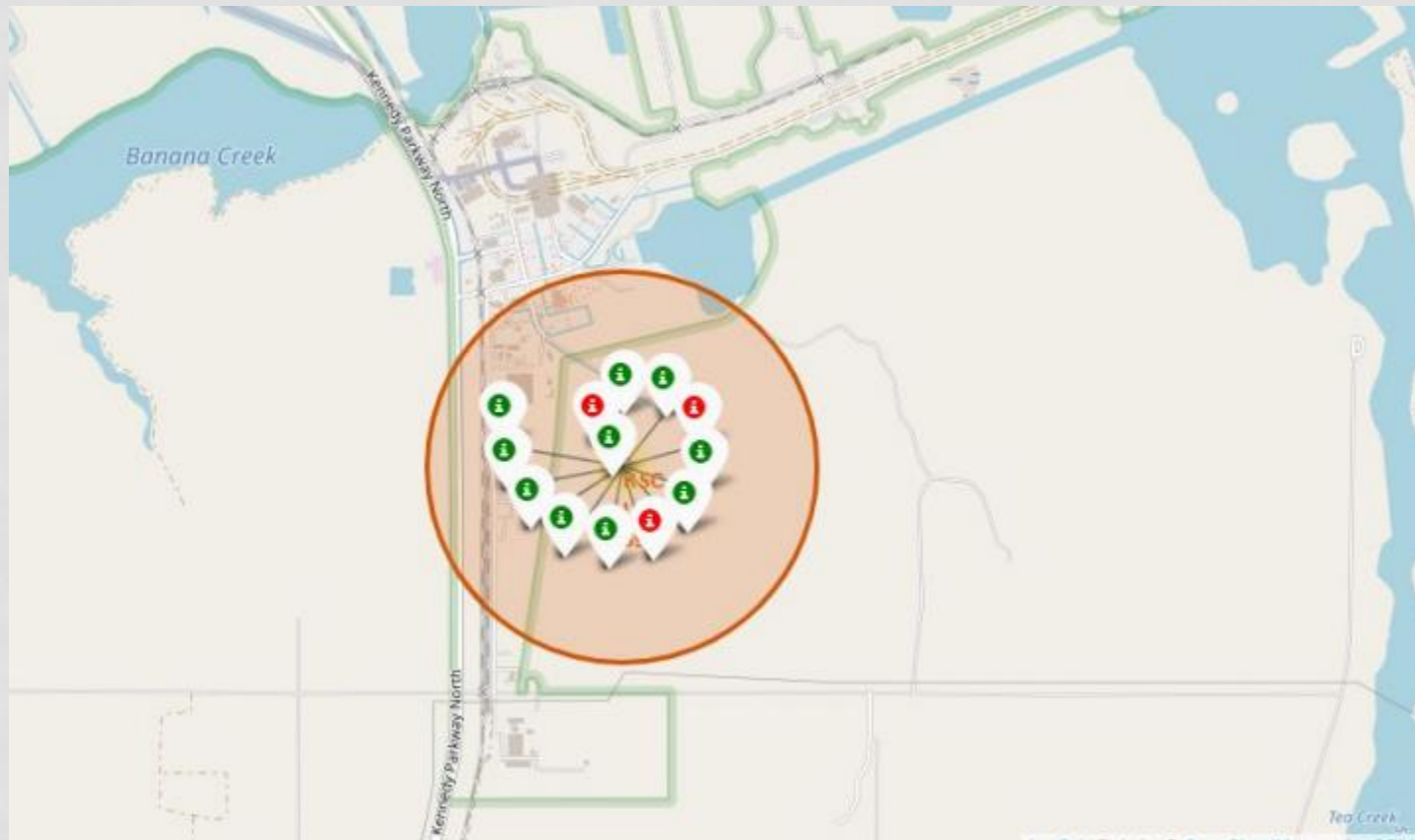
# MAP OF LAUNCH SITE LOCATIONS



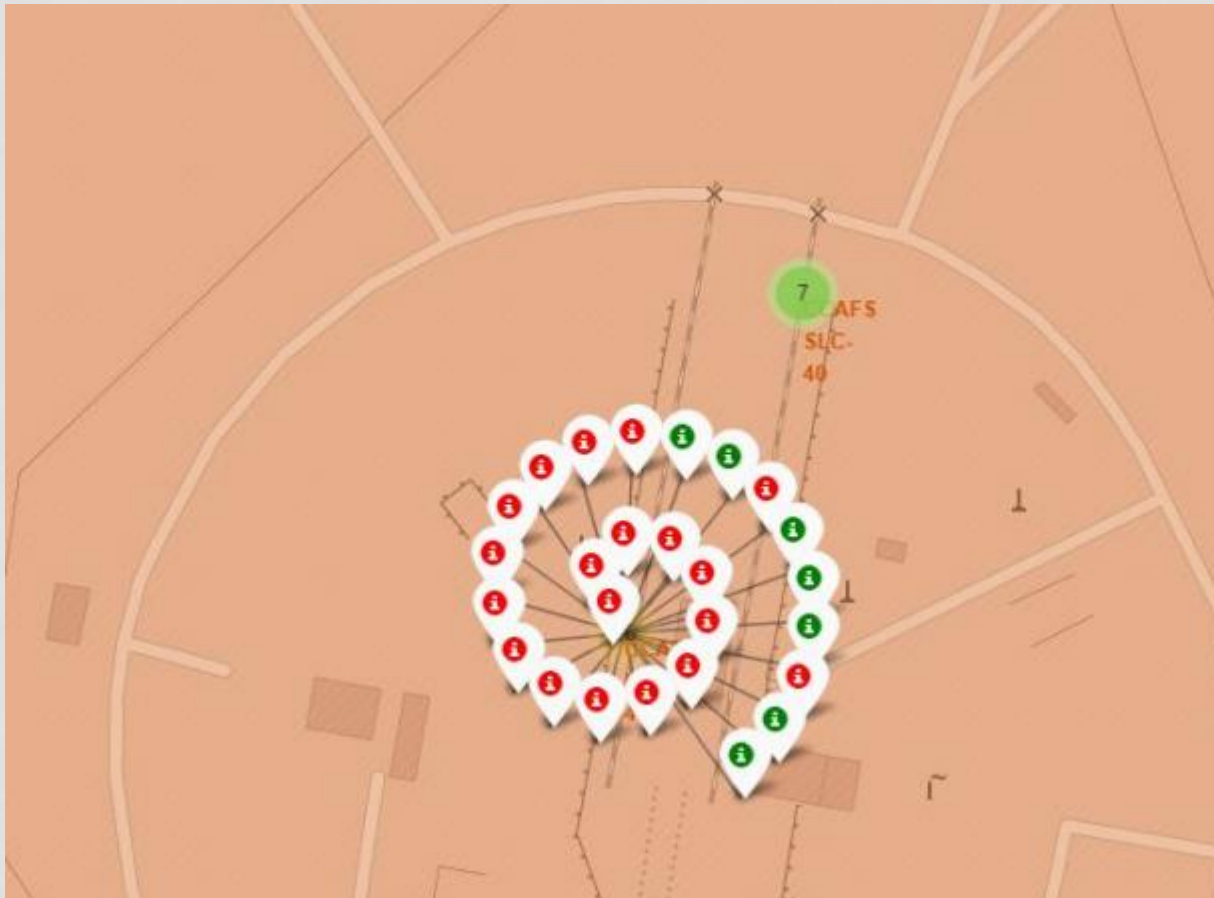
# VAFB SLC-4E RECOVERY OUTCOMES



# KSC LC-39A RECOVERY OUTCOMES



# CCAFS LC-40 RECOVERY OUTCOMES



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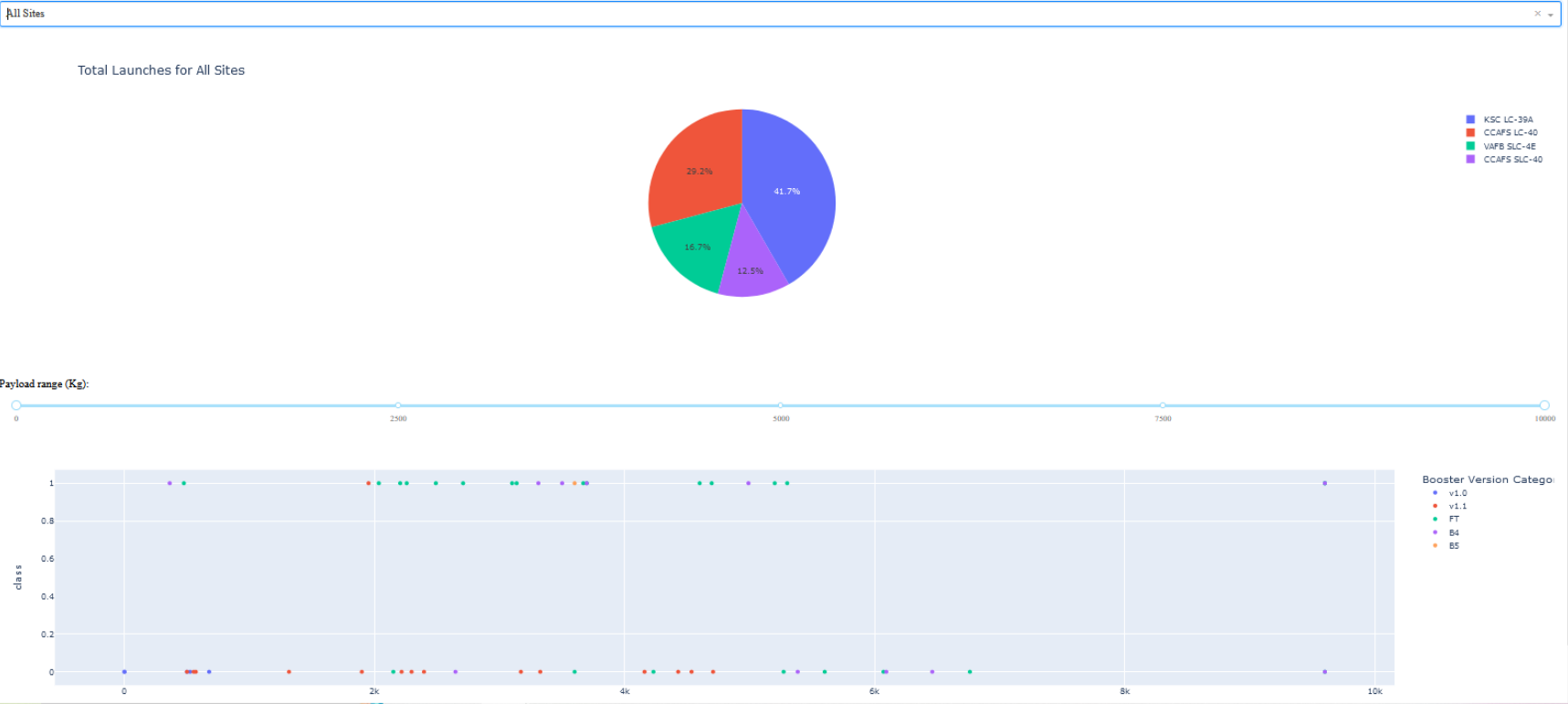


# BUILD A DASHBOARD WITH PLOTLY DASH



# SUCCESS LAUNCHES BY ALL SITES

## SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard



# PAYLOAD VS. LAUNCH OUTCOME SCATTER FOR ALL SITES



# PIE CHART OF SUCCESSFUL LAUNCHES BY SITE

Total Success Launches By Site



- CCAFS LC-40 is the location of over half of SpaceX's successful launches
- However, this does not tell the full story

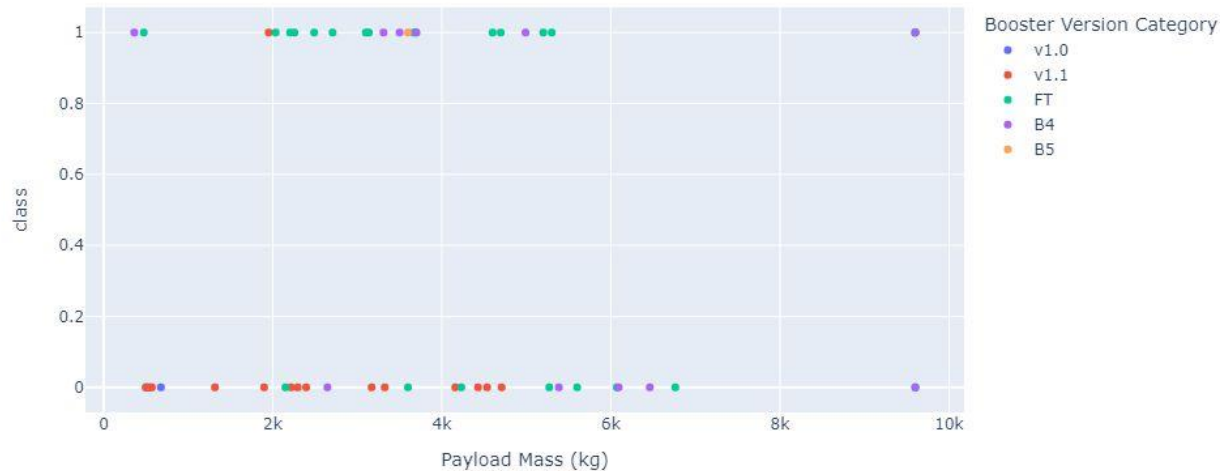
# MOST PROPORTIONALLY SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH SITE

Total Success Launches for site: KSC LC-39A



- CCAFS LC-40 has the most launches
- KSC LC-39A, comparatively

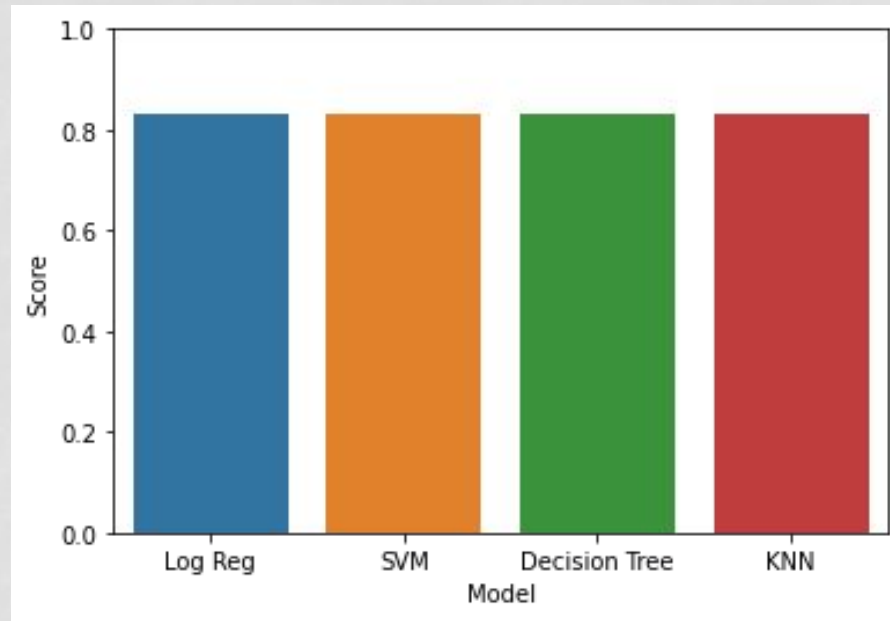
# RECOVERY OUTCOME VS. PAYLOAD MASS SCATTER PLOT



- The most successful payload range appears to be from 2000-4000kg
- The v1.1 booster seems to have failed the most while the FT booster appears to be very successful

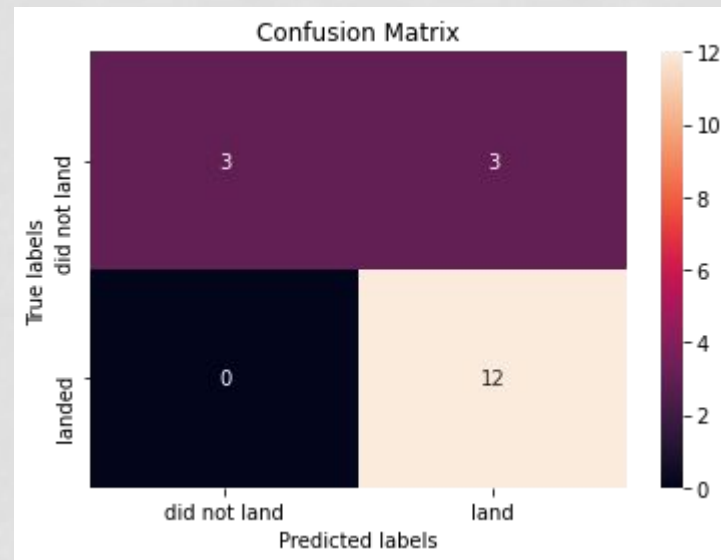
# CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY

Here is a barplot for the accuracy score of each model. As can be seen, when testing them on our test data, they all exhibit identical scores (83.33%)



# CONFUSION MATRIX

Our model was mostly accurate, however it wrongly predicted three landings as being successful where they were not



# CONCLUSIONS

SpaceX's successful recoveries generally have the following properties:

- A launch date in the year 2017 or later
- Light payload (in the range 2000-4000kg)
- Launched from site KSC LC-39A
- Successfully recovered via drone ship

Our model predict an outcome of a given recovery with a degree of accuracy equal 83.33%



THANK YOU