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Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

- **Summary of methodologies**
 - Data Collection API / Webscraping
 - Data Wrangling
 - Exploratory Data Analysis with
 - SQL
 - Visualization (Matplotlib/Seaborn, Folium)
 - Predictive Analysis using Machine Learning
- **Summary of all results**

Introduction

- **Project background and context**

- SpaceX advertises cheap rocket launches (62 million dollars)
- cheap compared to other providers (> 165 million dollars)
- Savings come from reusable first rocket stages

- **Problems you want to find answers**

Determine whether the first stage will land to determine the cost of a launch based on mission parameters, e.g. payload, orbit, launch site or customer

Section 1

Methodology

Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Data requested from SpaceX API
 - Webscraping from Wikipedia Falcon 9 launches
- Perform data wrangling
 - Dealing with missing values (e.g. payload NaN replaced with mean payload)
 - One-Hot encoding of labeled data
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - Logistic regression, SVM, Decision Tree, kNN

Data Collection

Data Sources:

- SpaceX API

Direct request from SpaceX data via Json files

- Wikipedia: List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Falcon_9_and_Falcon_Heavy_launches

webscraping using BeautifulSoup

Data Collection – SpaceX API

- Data collection with SpaceX REST calls
- GitHub:
<https://github.com/DrBChris/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/DataCollection.ipynb>

Flowchart:

- define URL
- request data
- convert json into a Pandas dataframe
- normalize data

Data Collection - Scraping

- Webscraping with BeautifulSoup
- From Wikipedia: List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches
- GitHub:
<https://github.com/DrBChris/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/webscraping.ipynb>

Flowchart:

- define URL
- request data
- create BeautifulSoup object from parsed data
- extract tables
- fill Pandas dataframe with parsed data

Data Wrangling

- Identifying of missing values for each attribute
- Identifying the data types
- Creating a landing outcome label (either 1 = success or 0 = failure)
- GitHub: <https://github.com/DrBChris/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/DataWrangling.ipynb>

EDA with Data Visualization

- Used scatterplots to visualize
 - Flight Number vs Launch Site
 - Payload vs Launch Site
 - Flight Number vs Orbit
 - Payload vs Orbit
- Bar Chart
 - Success vs Orbit
- Line Chart
 - Yearly success trend
- GitHub: <https://github.com/DrBChris/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/DataViz.ipynb>

EDA with SQL

- List of SQL Queries:
 - Unique launch sites
 - 5 records that begin with 'CCA'
 - Total payload carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
 - Average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
 - Date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was achieved
 - Name of boosters with success ($4000 < \text{mass} < 6000$)
 - Total number of successful and failure missions
 - Name of booster versions which carried the maximum payload
 - Failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster version and launch sites for 2015
 - Ranking the number of landing outcomes between 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20
- GitHub: <https://github.com/DrBChris/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/SQL.ipynb>

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Visualizing all launch sites with circles
- Visualizing launch outcome with colored markers at each launch site
- Calculating the distance between launch site and closest
 - coast line
 - highway
 - railway
 - city
- GitHub: <https://github.com/DrBChris/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/Folium.ipynb>

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- Piechart to visualize successrates of all and individual launch sites
- Scatterplot to visualize the relation between outcome and payload including a slider to display individual payload ranges
- GitHub: <https://github.com/DrBChris/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/dash.py>

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

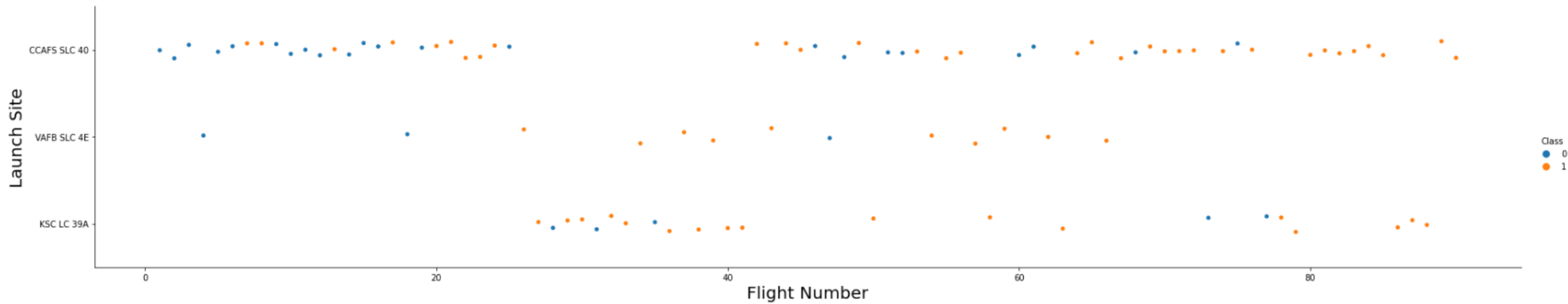
- We use different machine learning approaches to predict the outcome of a mission:
 - Logistic Regression
 - Support Vector Machines
 - Decision Trees
 - K Nearest Neighbor
- GridSearchCV was used to fine-tune hyperparameters
- GitHub: <https://github.com/DrBChris/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/ML.ipynb>

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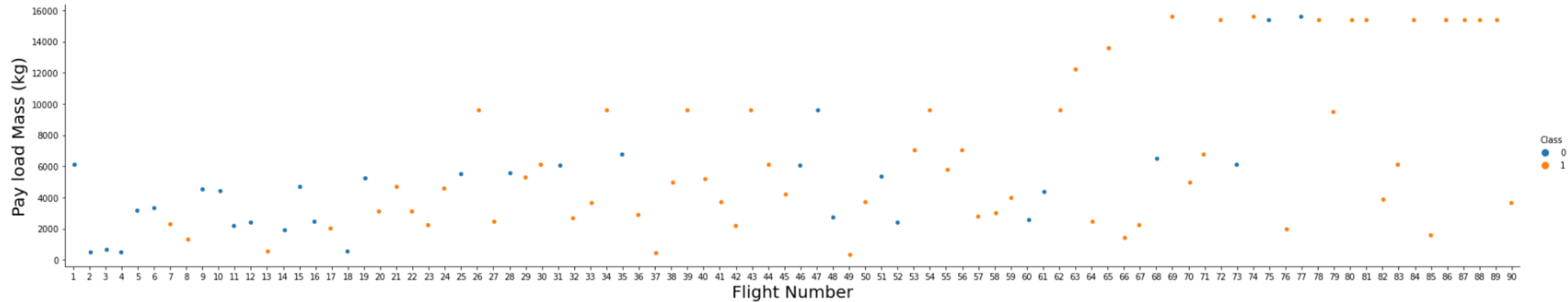
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Insights drawn from EDA

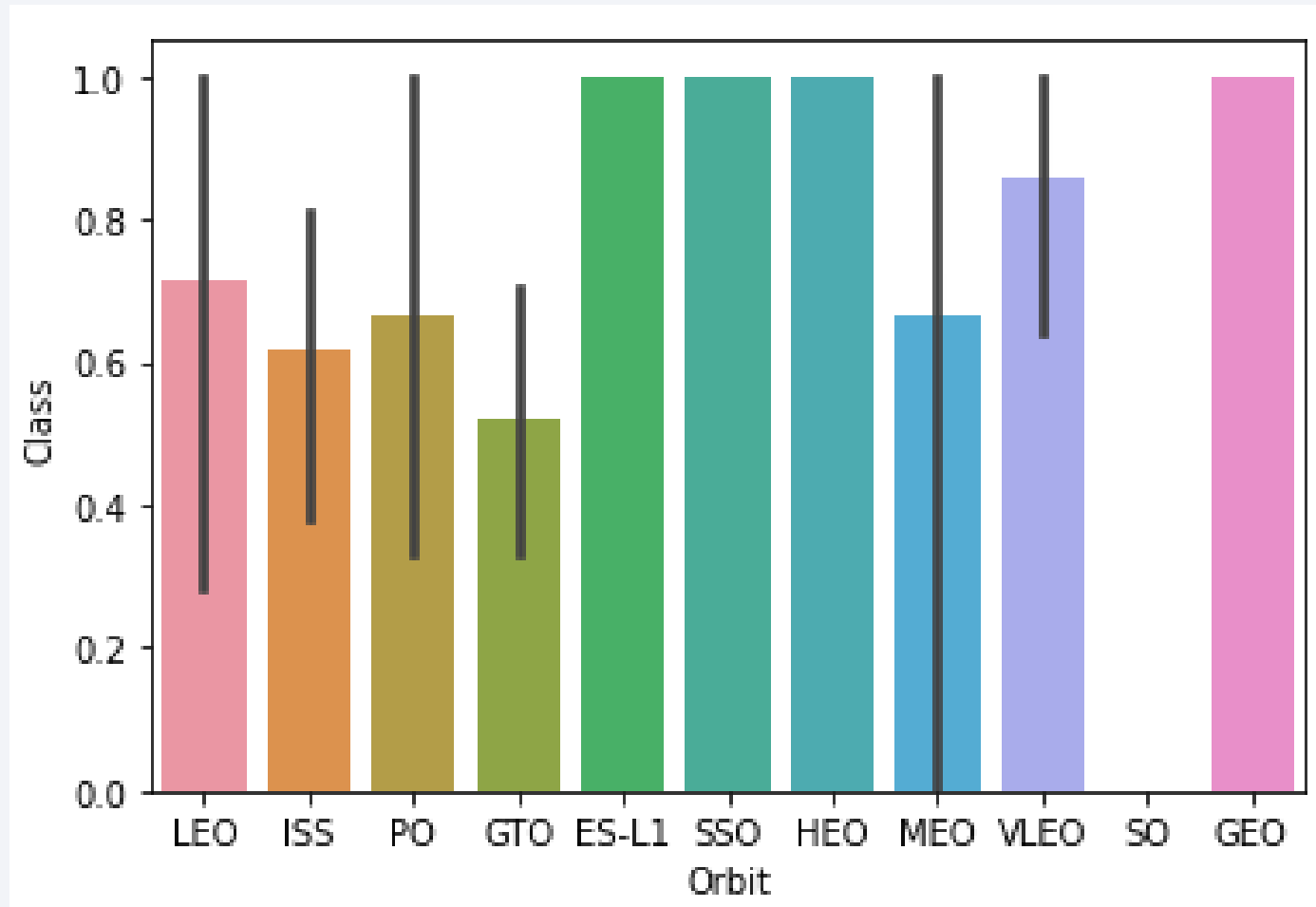
Flight Number vs. Launch Site



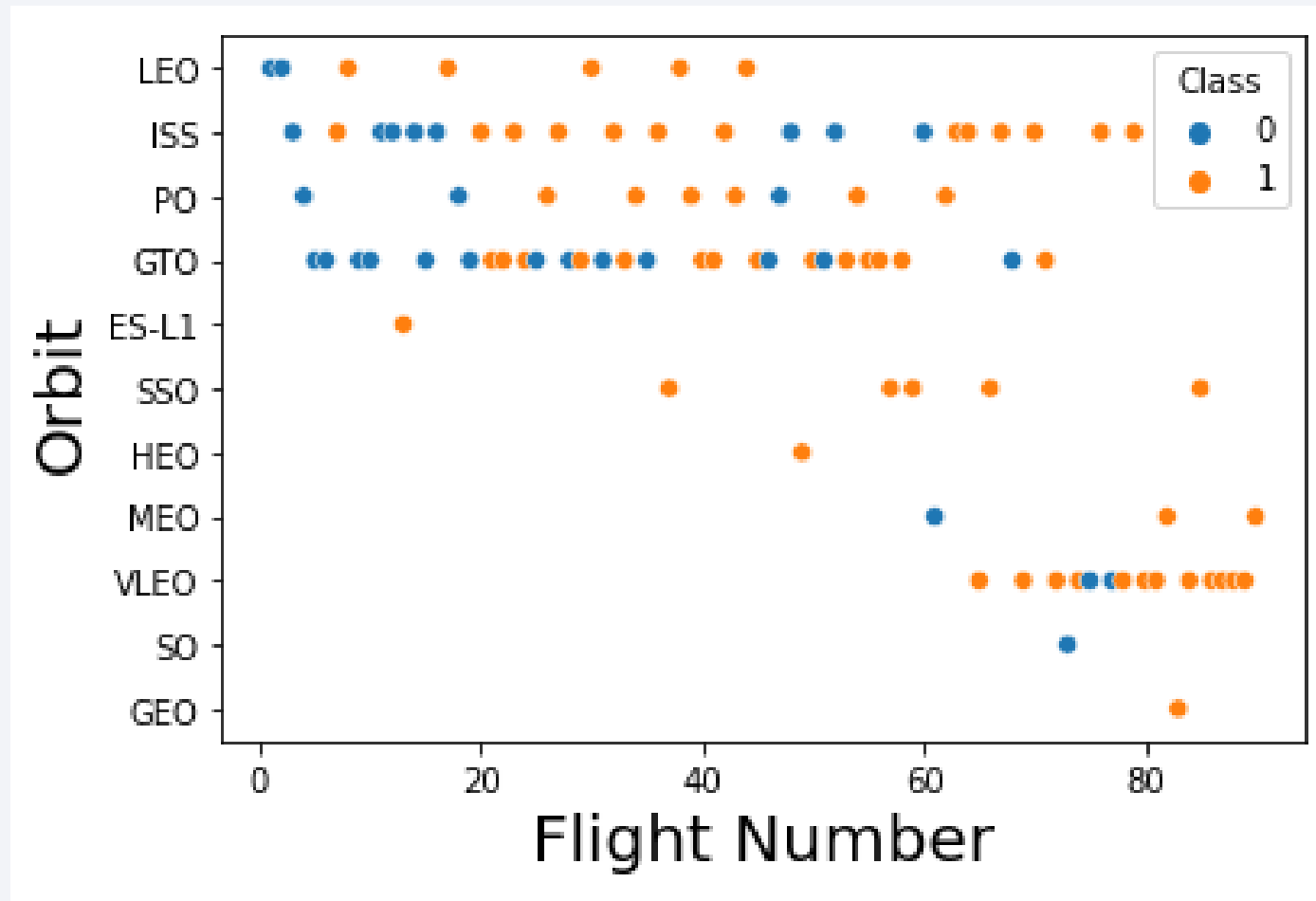
Payload vs. Launch Site



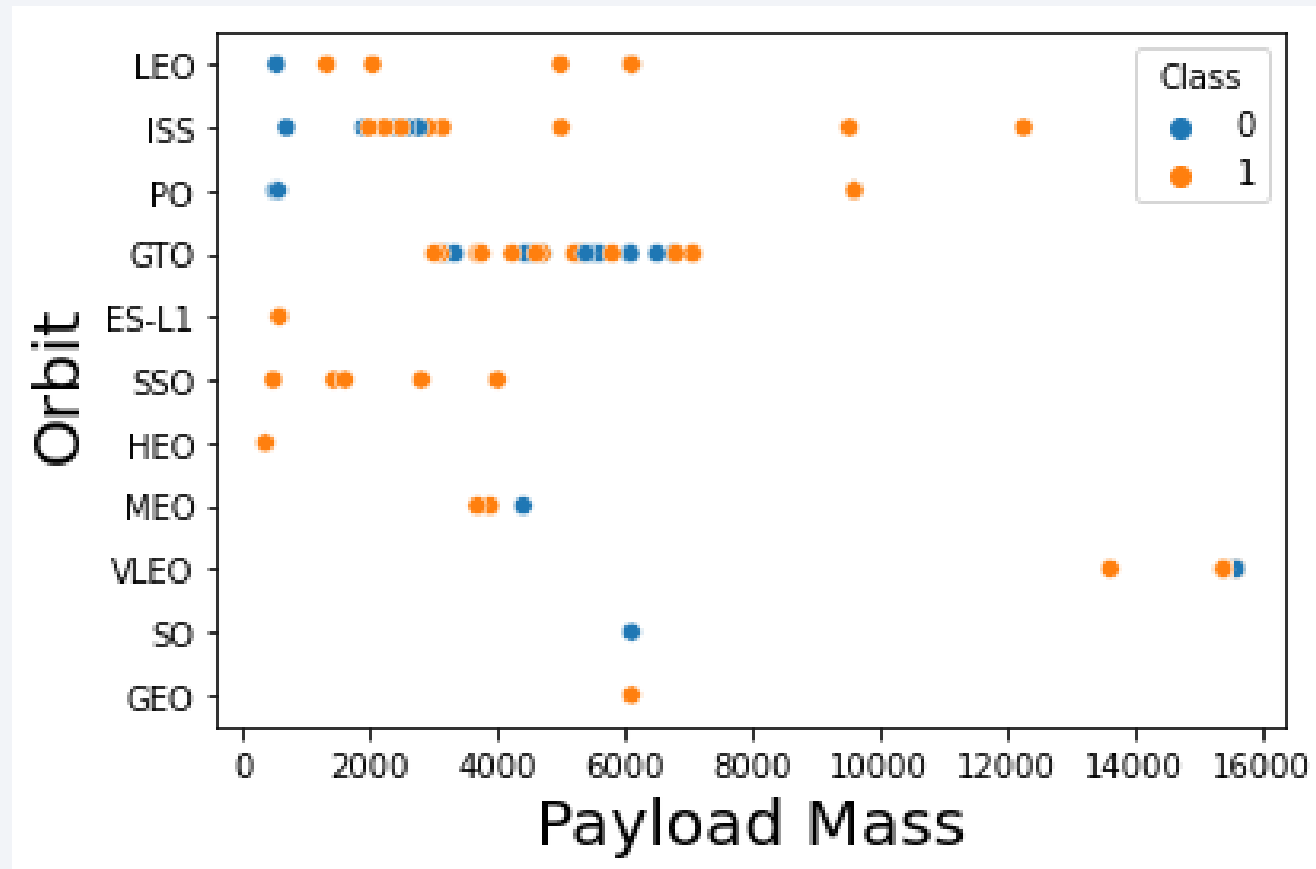
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



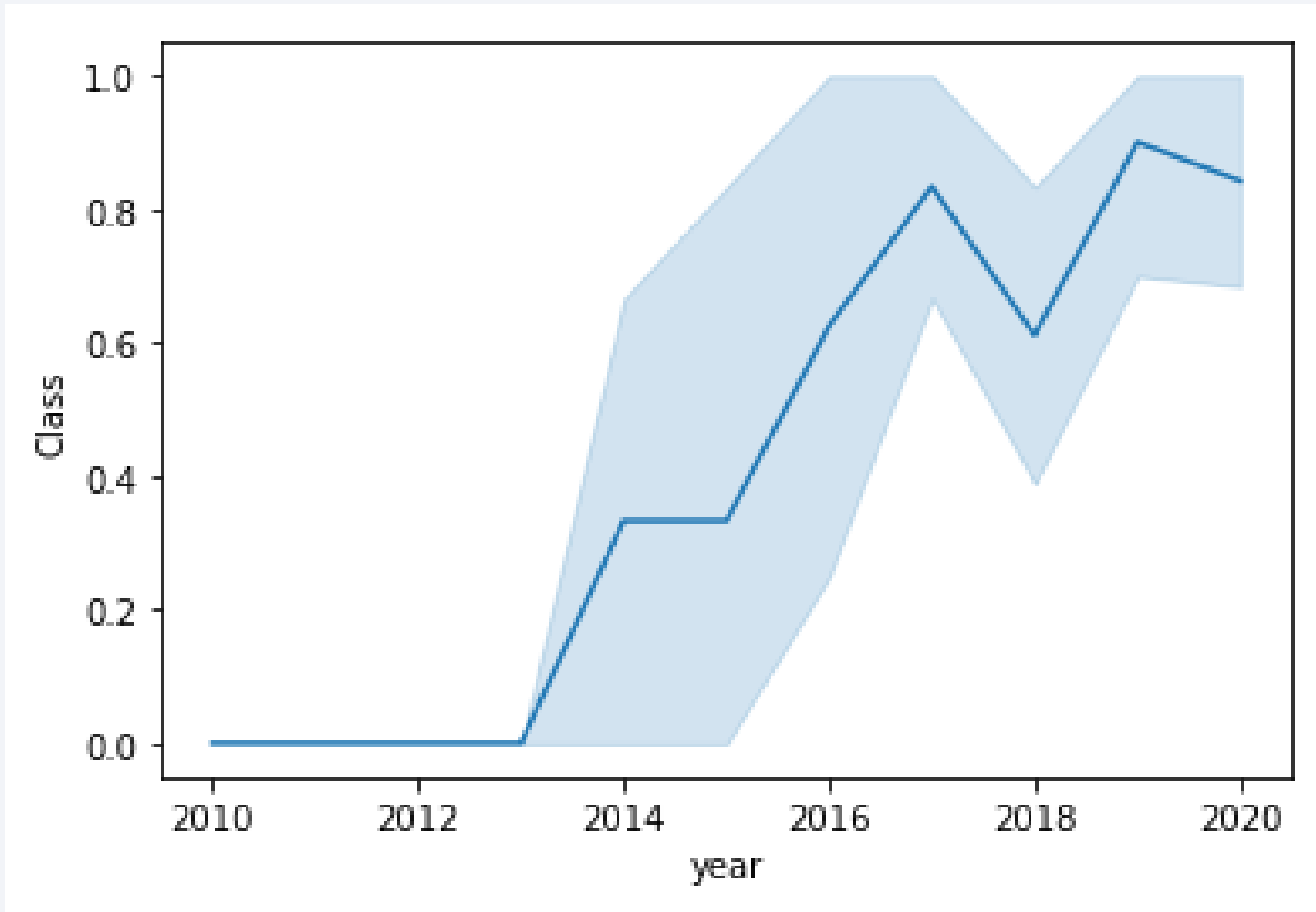
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



Payload vs. Orbit Type



Launch Success Yearly Trend



All Launch Site Names

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SELECT DISTINCT launch_site  
FROM SPACEXDATASET
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Done.
```

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

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

```
%%sql
SELECT *
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE launch_site like 'CCA%'
LIMIT 5
```

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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

```
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```

```
SELECT SUM(payload_mass__kg_)  
FROM SPACEXDATASET  
WHERE customer = 'NASA (CRS)'
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Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

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```
SELECT AVG(payload_mass__kg_)  
FROM SPACEXDATASET  
WHERE booster_version = 'F9 v1.1'
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First Successful Ground Landing Date

```
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```

```
SELECT MIN(Date)
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE landing__outcome like 'Success%'
```

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Done.
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2015-12-22

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_ > 4000
      AND payload_mass__kg_ < 6000
```

```
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```

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

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

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```
SELECT COUNT(mission_outcome)
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE mission_outcome like '%Success%'
```

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SELECT COUNT(mission_outcome)
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE mission_outcome like '%Failure%'
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Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

```
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```
SELECT booster_version, payload_mass__kg_  
FROM SPACEXDATASET  
WHERE payload_mass__kg_ = (  
    SELECT MAX(payload_mass__kg_)  
    FROM SPACEXDATASET)
```

```
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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

2015 Launch Records

```
%%sql
SELECT booster_version, launch_site, landing__outcome
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE landing__outcome like 'Failure (drone ship)'
AND DATE BETWEEN '2015-01-01' AND '2015-12-31'
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Done.
```

booster_version	launch_site	landing__outcome
F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40	Failure (drone ship)
F9 v1.1 B1015	CCAFS LC-40	Failure (drone ship)

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

%%sql

```
SELECT landing__outcome, COUNT(landing__outcome)
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE DATE BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20'
GROUP BY landing__outcome
ORDER BY COUNT(landing__outcome) DESC
```

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landing__outcome	2
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

A satellite view of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and city lights at night. The background is a deep blue gradient.

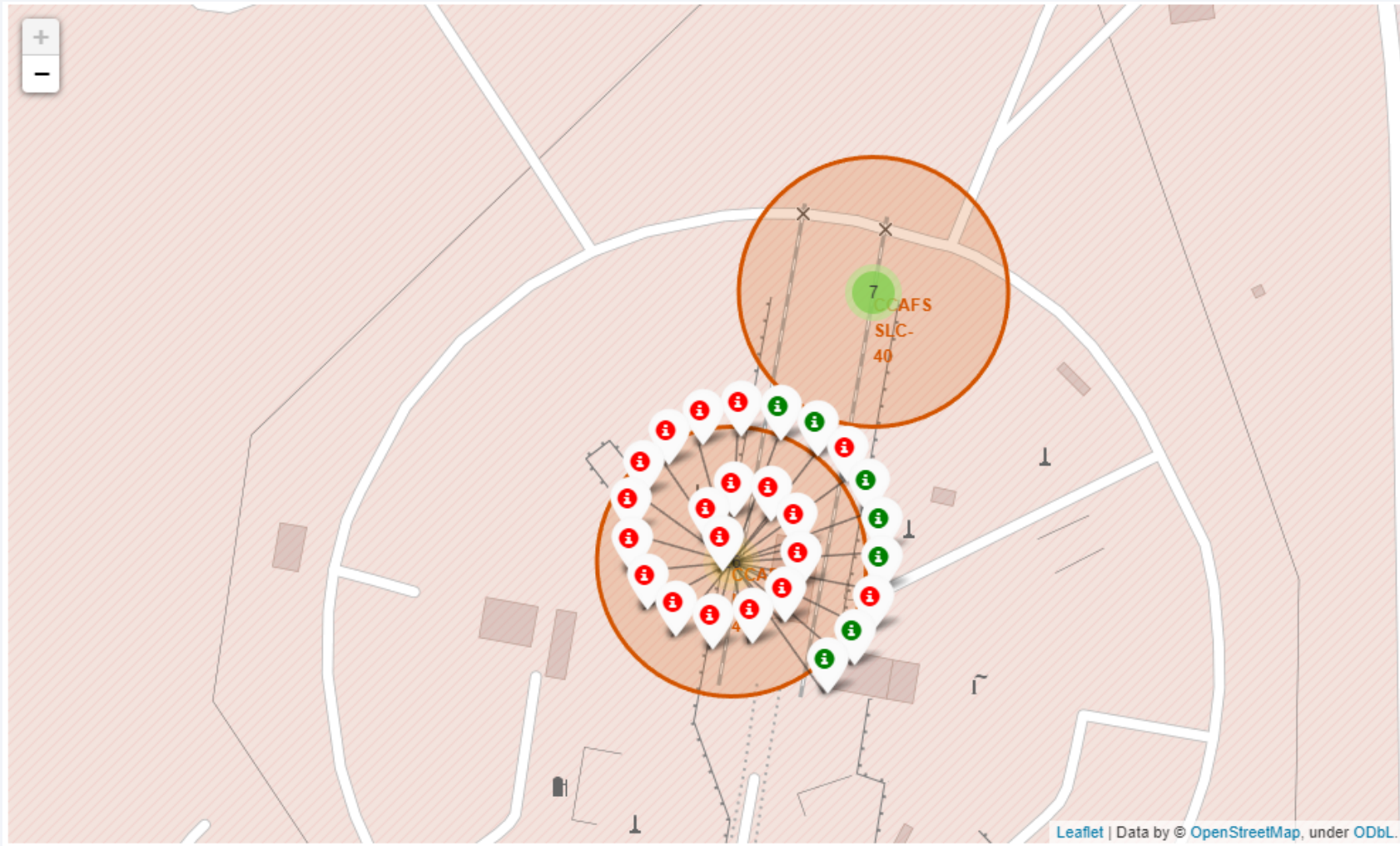
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Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

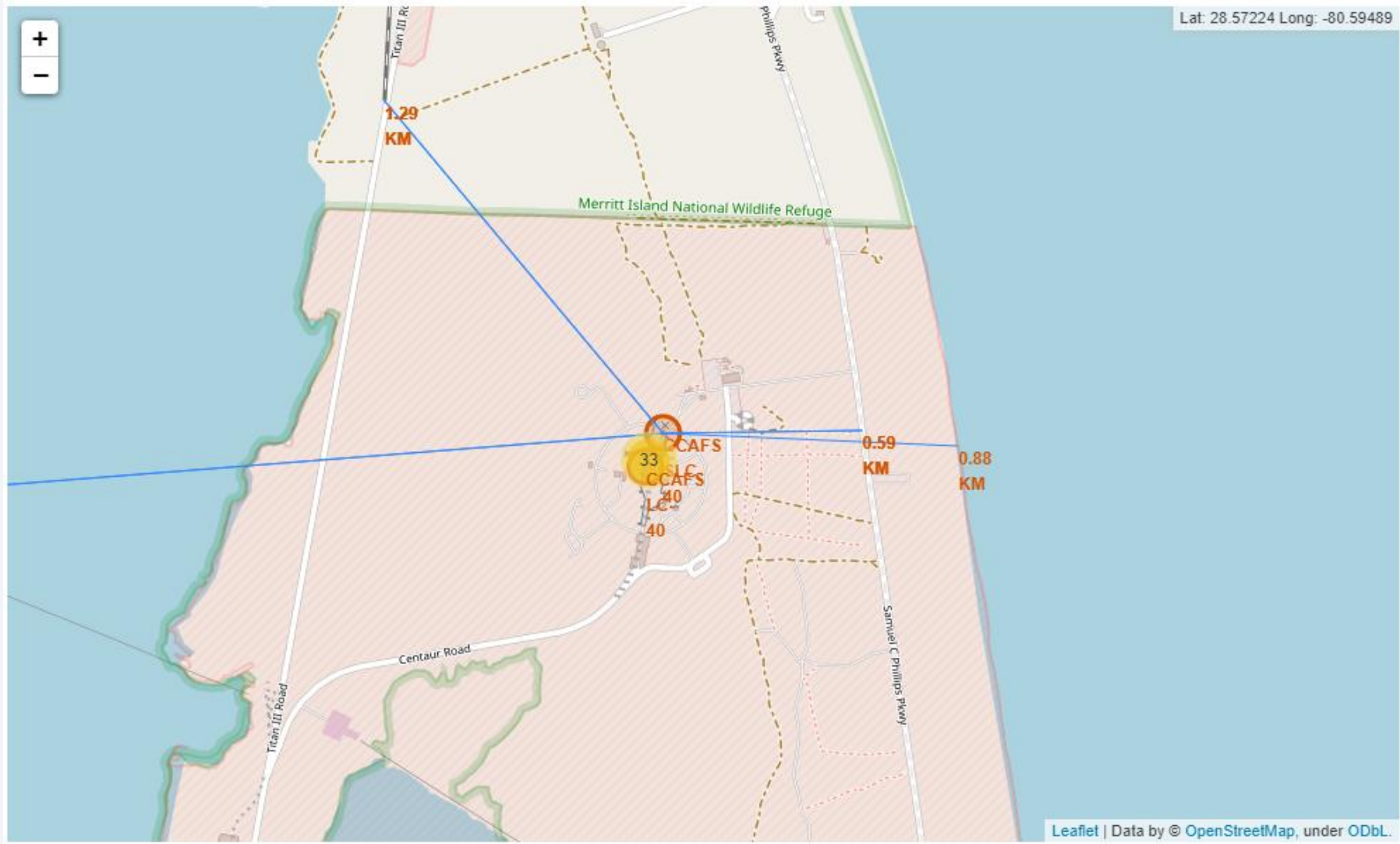
SpaceX Launch Sites



Example of Color-Labeled Launch Outcomes



Distances from Launch Site

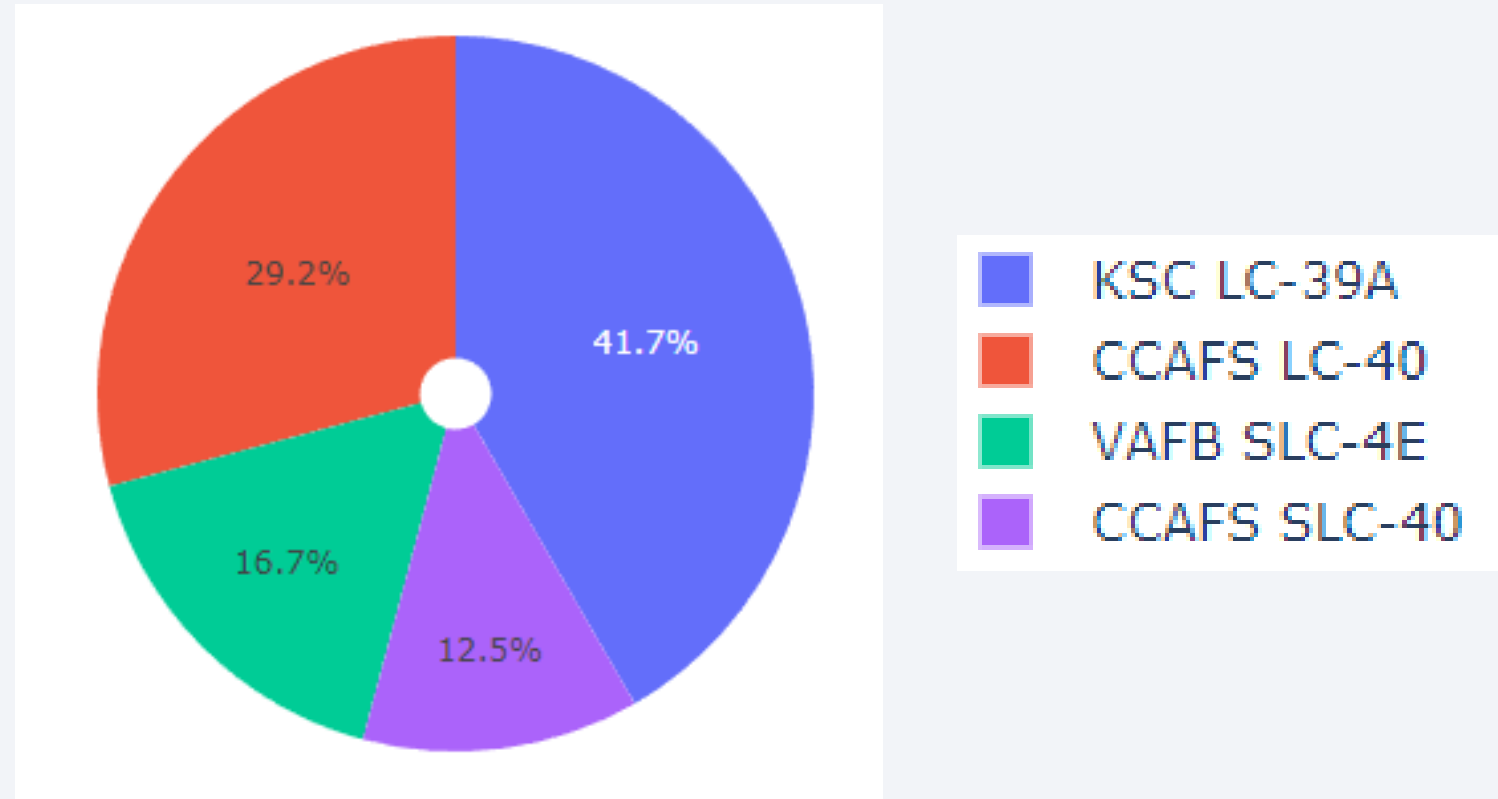




Section 4

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

Launch Success for all launch sites



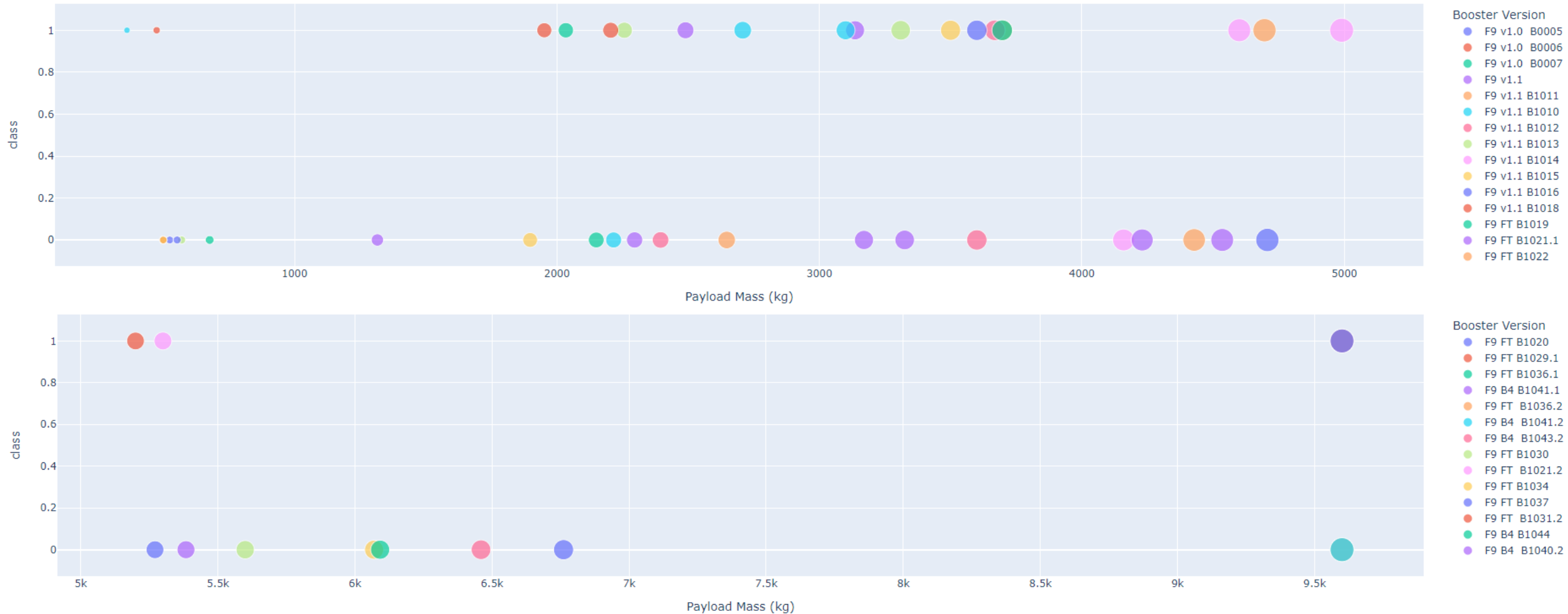
KSC LC-39A has to most success launching Falcon 9 rockets

Total Success Launches for KSC LC-39A



KSC LC-39A has a 76.9% success rate

Low (<5000 kg) vs High (>5000 kg) Payload



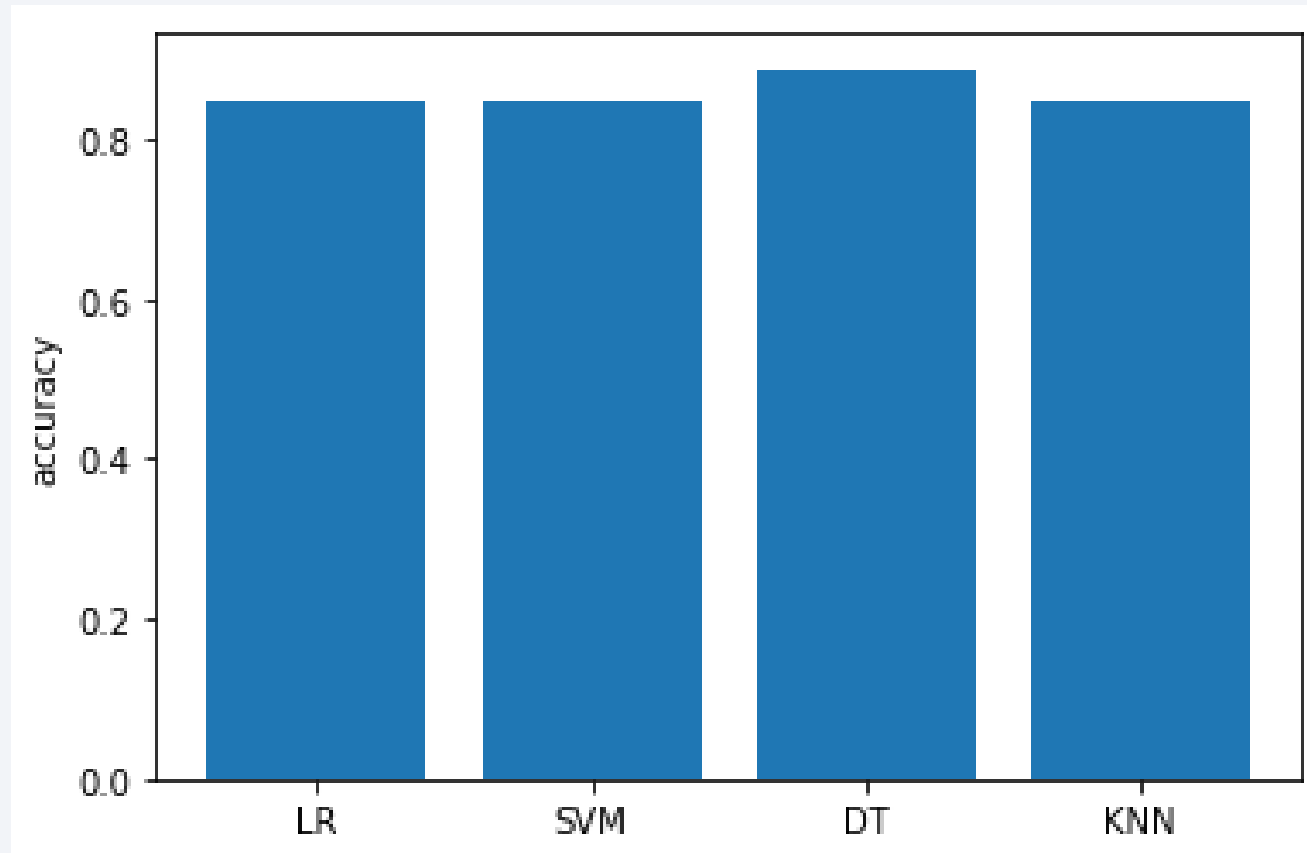
Lower payloads yield more successful missions



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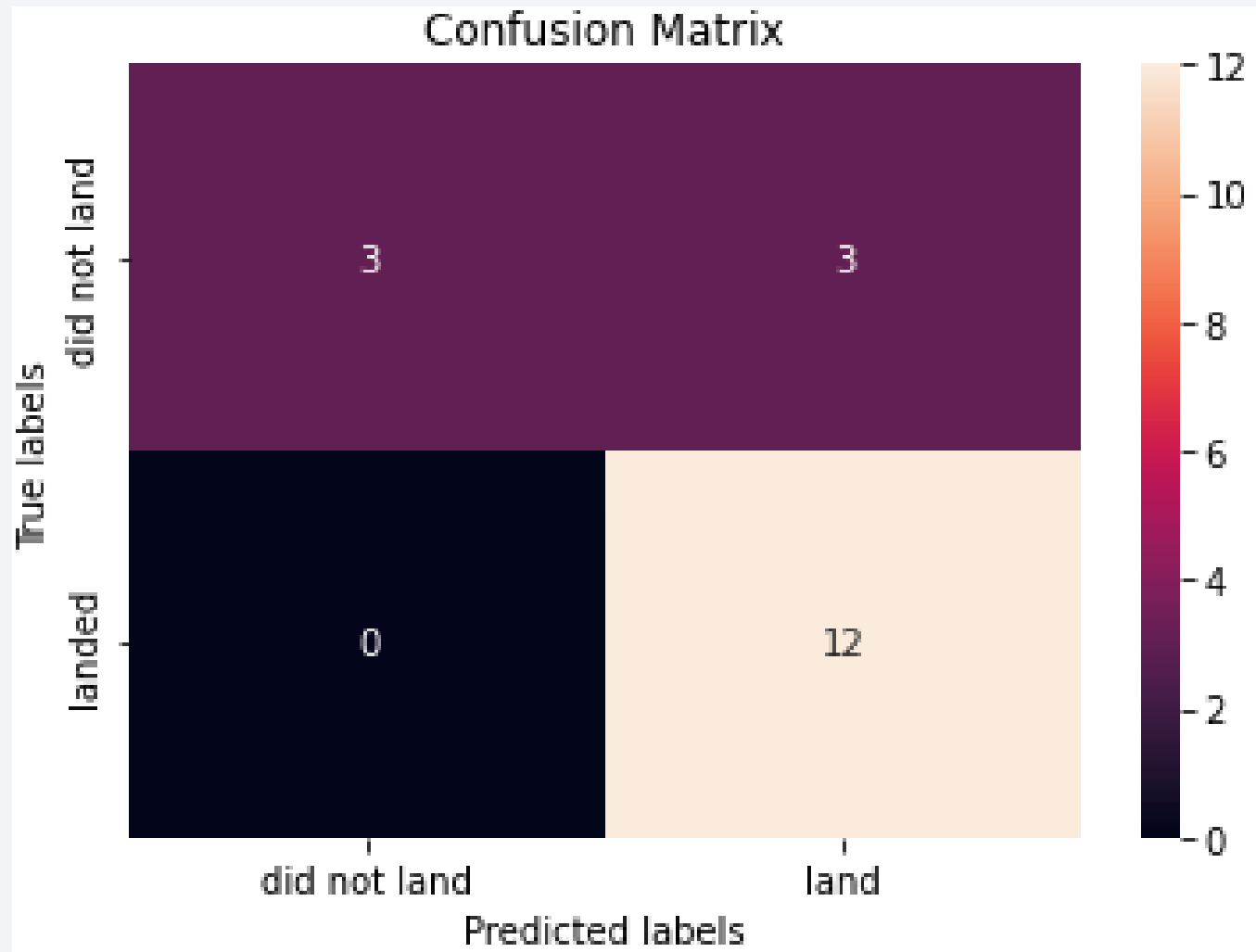
Predictive Analysis (Classification)

Classification Accuracy



Decision Trees (DT) achieved the highest accuracy

Confusion Matrix



Conclusions

- Since 2017 SpaceX has about 80% success rate over all missions
- The most successful launch site is KSC LC-39A
- ES-L1, SSO, HEO, GEO are the most successful orbits (100%), although some of these orbits have only been target once
- VLEO is a highly frequented orbit with a success rate of 87%
- Payloads below 5000 kg seem to be more successful
- Decision Trees are the best approach to predict the success of a mission

Thank you!

