

# 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



# Methodology

#### **Executive Summary**

- Data collection methodology:
  - Describe how data was collected
- Perform data wrangling
  - Describe how data was processed
- 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

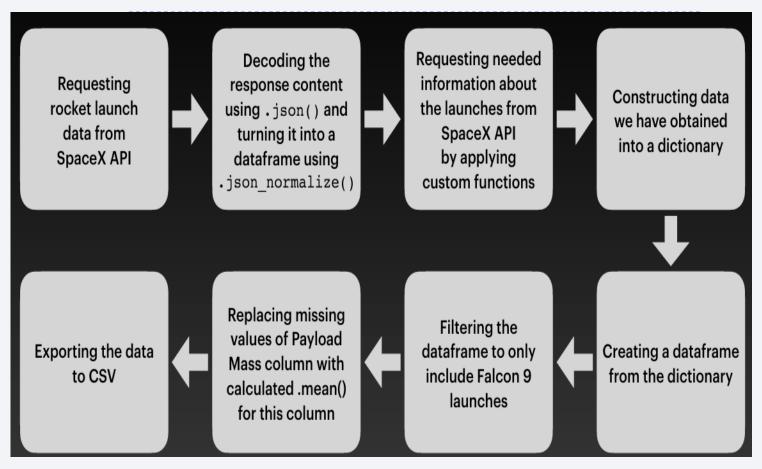
### **Data Collection**

- The data was collected using various methods
- 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

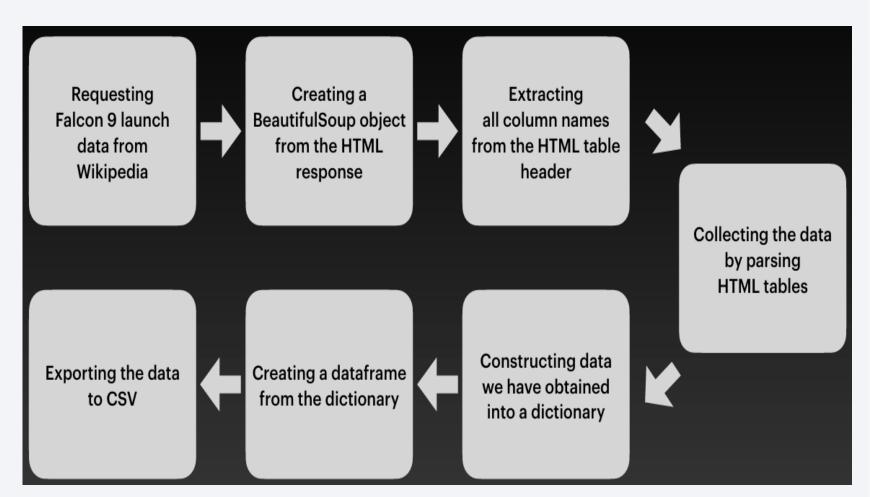
- We used the get request to the SpaceX API to collect data, clean the requested data and did some basic data wrangling and formatting
- The link to Notebook is:

   https://github.com/FaiqNasir52
   5/Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/1%20jupyter-labs-spacex-data-collection-api.ipynb



# **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
- Link to notebook:
   https://github.com/FaiqNasir
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# **Data Wrangling**

- In the data set, there are several different cases where the booster did not land successfully. Sometimes a landing was attempted but failed due to an accident; for example, True Ocean means the mission outcome was successfully landed to a specific region of the ocean while False Ocean means the mission outcome was unsuccessfully landed to a specific region of the ocean. True RTLS means the mission outcome was successfully landed to a ground pad False RTLS means the mission outcome was unsuccessfully landed to a ground pad. True ASDS means the mission outcome was successfully landed on a drone ship False ASDS means the mission outcome was unsuccessfully landed on a drone ship. We mainly convert those outcomes into Training Labels with "1" means the booster successfully landed, "0" means it was unsuccessful
- Link to Notebook: <u>https://github.com/FaiqNasir525/Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/3-%20labs-jupyter-spacex-Data%20wrangling.ipynb</u>

Perform exploratory Data Analysis and determine Training Labels Calculate the number of launches on each site Calculate the number and occurrence of each orbit Calculate the number and occurrence of mission outcome per orbit type Create a landing outcome label from Outcome column Exporting the data to CSV

### **EDA** with Data Visualization

- Charts were plotted:
  - Flight Number vs. Payload Mass, Flight Number vs. Launch Site, Payload Mass vs. Launch Site, Orbit Type vs. Success Rate, Flight Number vs. Orbit Type, Payload Mass vs Orbit Type and Success Rate Yearly Trend
- Scatter plots show the relationship between variables. If a relationship exists, they could be used in machine learning model.
- Bar charts show comparisons among discrete categories. The goal is to show the relationship between the specific categories being compared and a measured value.
- Line charts show trends in data over time (time series)
- Link to Notebook: <a href="https://github.com/FaiqNasir525/Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/5-%20EDA">https://github.com/FaiqNasir525/Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/5-%20EDA</a> with pandas matplot.ipynb

### **EDA** with SQL

- Performed SQL queries:
  - Displaying the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission
  - Displaying 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'
  - Displaying the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
  - Displaying average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
  - · Listing the date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was achieved
  - Listing the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000
  - Listing the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
  - Listing the names of the booster versions which have carried the maximum payload mass
  - Listing the failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions and launch site names for the months in year 2015
  - 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 orde
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### 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
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### 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
- Link to Code: <a href="https://github.com/FaiqNasir525/Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/7-%20spacex dash app.py">https://github.com/FaiqNasir525/Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/7-%20spacex dash app.py</a>

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

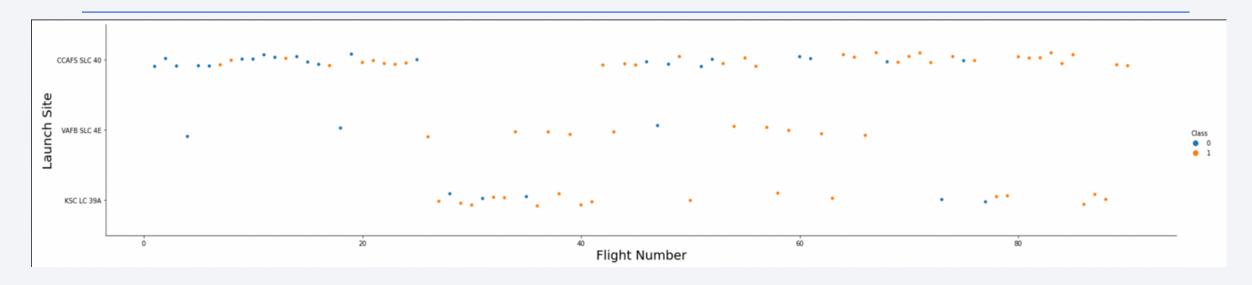
- We loaded the data using numpy and pandas, transformed the data, split our data into training and testing.
- We built different machine learning models and tune different hyperparameters using GridSearchCV.
- We used accuracy as the metric for our model, improved the model using feature engineering and algorithm tuning.
- We found the best performing classification model
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### Results

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

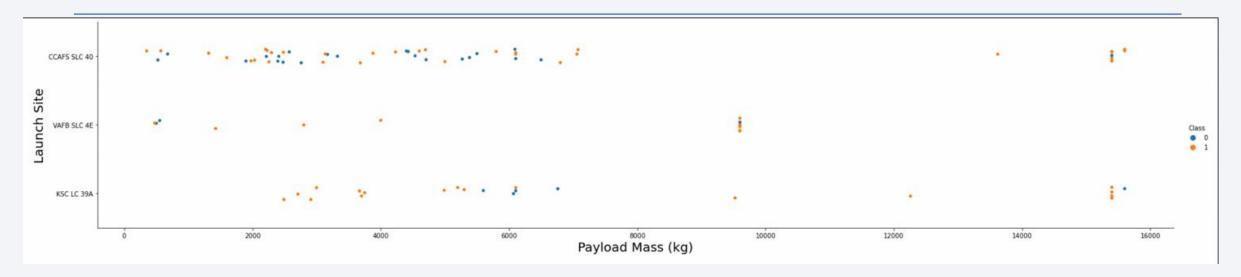


# Flight Number vs. Launch Site



- The earliest flights all failed while the latest flights all succeeded.
- The CCAFS SLC 40 launch site has about a half of all launches.
- VAFB SLC 4E and KSC LC 39A have higher success rates.
- It can be assumed that each new launch has a higher rate of success.

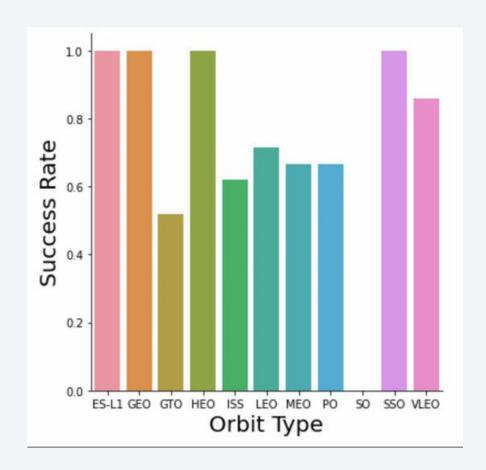
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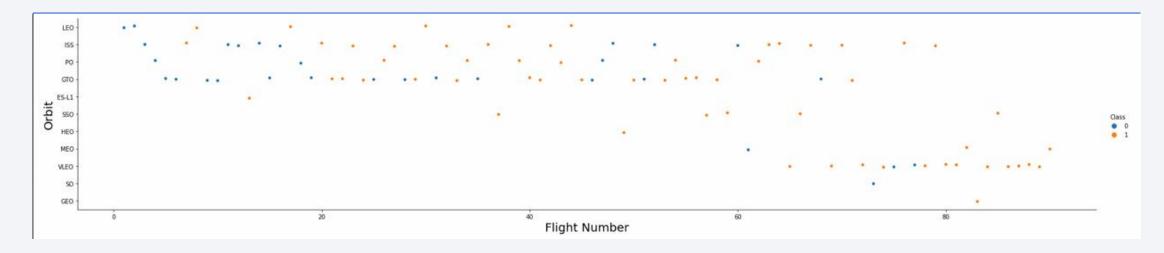
- For every launch site the higher the payload mass, the higher the success rate.
- Most of the launches with payload mass over 7000 kg were successful.
- KSC LC 39A has a 100% success rate for payload mass under 5500 kg too

## Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

- Orbits with 100% success rate: -
  - ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO
- Orbits with 0% success rate:
  - SO
- Orbits with success rate between 50% and 85%:
  - GTO, ISS, LEO, MEO, PO



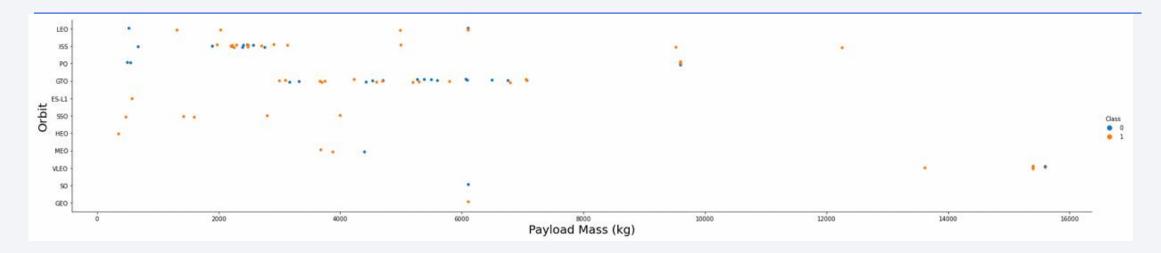
# Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



#### Insights

• In the LEO orbit the Success appears related to the number of flights; on the other hand, there seems to be no relationship between flight number when in GTO orbit

# Payload vs. Orbit Type



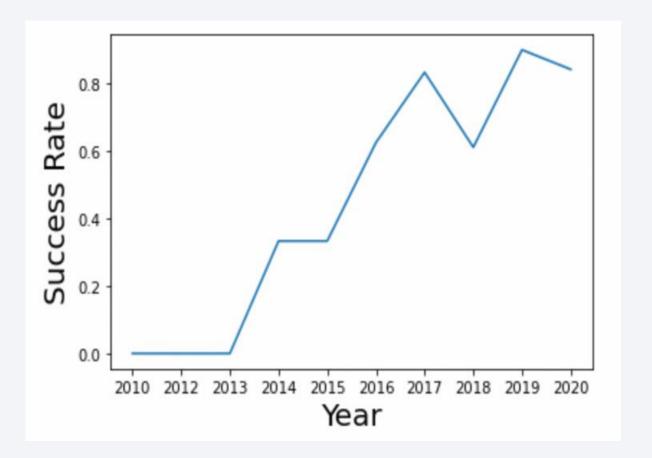
### Insights

 Heavy payloads have a negative influence on GTO orbits and positive on GTO and Polar LEO (ISS) orbits

# Launch Success Yearly Trend

### Insight

The success rate since
 2013 kept increasing till
 2020



### All Launch Site Names

```
In [4]: %sql select distinct launch_site from SPACEXDATASET;

* ibm_db_sa://wzf08322:****@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90108kqblod8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:31198/bludb
Done.

Out[4]: launch_site

CCAFS LC-40

CCAFS SLC-40

KSC LC-39A

VAFB SLC-4E
```

### Explanation

• Displaying the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission.

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

```
In [5]: %sql select * from SPACEXDATASET where launch site like 'CCA%' limit 5;
          * ibm_db_sa://wzf08322:***@c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90108kqblod8lcg.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-
                                            CCAFS LC-
                                                        Dragon Spacecraft
                  18:45:00
                                                                                                       LEO
                                                                                                            SpaceX
                                                                                                                                         Failure (parachute)
                            F9 v1.0 B0003
                                                                                                                       Success
                                                        Qualification Unit
          06-04
                                                        Dragon demo flight C1, two
                                                                                                             NASA
                                            CCAFS LC-
                                                                                                       LEO
          2010-
                  15:43:00
                            F9 v1.0 B0004
                                                        CubeSats, barrel of Brouere
                                                                                                             (COTS)
                                                                                                                                         Failure (parachute)
                                                                                                                       Success
          12-08
                                                                                                       (ISS)
                                                                                                             NRO
                                                        cheese
                                            CCAFS LC-
                                                                                                            NASA
          2012-
                                                                                                       LEO
                 07:44:00
                            F9 v1.0 B0005
                                                        Dragon demo flight C2
                                                                                    525
                                                                                                                       Success
                                                                                                                                         No attempt
          05-22
                                                                                                       (ISS)
                                                                                                            (COTS)
                                            CCAFS LC-
                                                                                                            NASA
          2012-
                                                                                                        LEO
                 00:35:00
                                                        SpaceX CRS-1
                                                                                    500
                            F9 v1.0 B0006
                                                                                                                       Success
                                                                                                                                         No attempt
          10-08
                                                                                                       (ISS)
                                                                                                            (CRS)
                                            CCAFS LC-
                                                                                                       LEO
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          2013-
                  15:10:00
                            F9 v1.0 B0007
                                                        SpaceX CRS-2
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          03-01
                                                                                                       (ISS) (CRS)
```

#### **Explanation**

Displaying 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`

# **Total Payload Mass**

#### **Explanation**

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

# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

#### **Explanation**

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

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

### **Explanation**

• Displaying the date of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad

#### Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

```
In [9]: %sql select booster_version from SPACEXDATASET where landing_outcome = 'Success (drone ship)' and payload_mass_kg_ between 4 000 and 6000;

* ibm_db_sa://wzf08322:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90108kqblod8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:31198/bludb Done.

Out[9]: booster_version
F9 FT B1022
F9 FT B1021.2
F9 FT B1021.2
F9 FT B1031.2
```

### **Explanation**

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

#### Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

```
In [10]: %sql select mission_outcome, count(*) as total_number from SPACEXDATASET group by mission_outcome;

* ibm_db_sa://wzf08322:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90108kqblod8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:31198/bludb Done.

Out[10]: mission_outcome total_number
Failure (in flight) 1
Success 99
Success (payload status unclear) 1
```

### Explanation

Displaying the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

# **Boosters Carried Maximum Payload**

```
In [11]: %sql select booster version from SPACEXDATASET where payload mass kg = (select max(payload mass kg ) from SPACEXDATASET);
           * ibm db sa://wzf08322:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90108kqblod8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:31198/bludb
Out[11]:
          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
```

#### **Explanation**

 List the names of the booster which have carried the maximum payload mass

### 2015 Launch Records

```
In [12]: %%sql select monthname(date) as month, date, booster_version, launch_site, landing_outcome from SPACEXDATASET
where landing_outcome = 'Failure (drone ship)' and year(date)=2015;

* ibm_db_sa://wzf08322:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90108kqb1od8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:31198/bludb
Done.

Out[12]: MONTH DATE | booster_version | launch_site | landing_outcome |
| January | 2015-01-10 | F9 v1.1 B1012 | CCAFS LC-40 | Failure (drone ship) |
| April | 2015-04-14 | F9 v1.1 B1015 | CCAFS LC-40 | Failure (drone ship) |
```

#### **Explanation**

 List the failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015

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

```
In [13]: %%sql select landing outcome, count(*) as count outcomes from SPACEXDATASET
                where date between '2010-06-04' and '2017-03-20'
                 group by landing outcome
                order by count_outcomes desc;
           * ibm db sa://wzf08322:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90108kqblod8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:31198/bludb
          Done.
Out[13]:
          landing outcome
                              count outcomes
          No attempt
          Failure (drone ship)
          Success (drone ship)
          Controlled (ocean)
          Success (ground pad) 3
          Failure (parachute)
          Uncontrolled (ocean)
          Precluded (drone ship) 1
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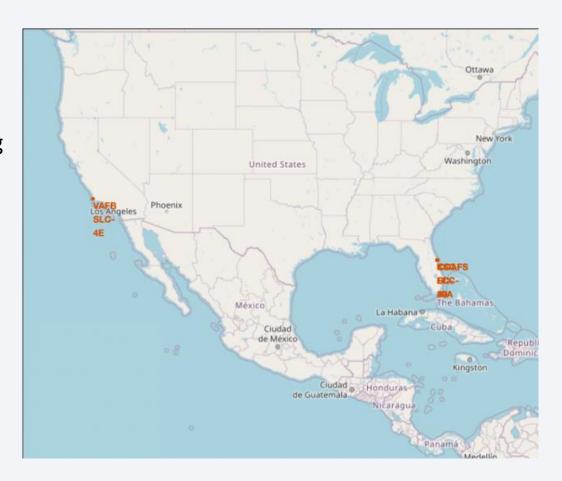
#### **Explaination**

• 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



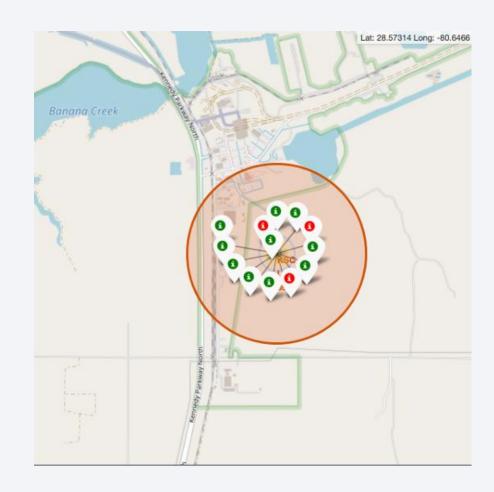
# All launch sites' location markers on a global map

- Most of Launch sites are in proximity to the Equator line. The land is moving faster at the equator than any other place on the surface of the Earth. Anything on the surface of the Earth at the equator is already moving at 1670 km/hour. If a ship is launched from the equator it goes up into space, and it is also moving around the Earth at the same speed it was moving before launching. This is because of inertia. This speed will help the spacecraft keep up a good enough speed to stay in orbit.
- All launch sites are in very close proximity to the coast, while launching rockets towards the ocean it minimises the risk of having any debris dropping or exploding near people



### Colour-labeled launch records on the map

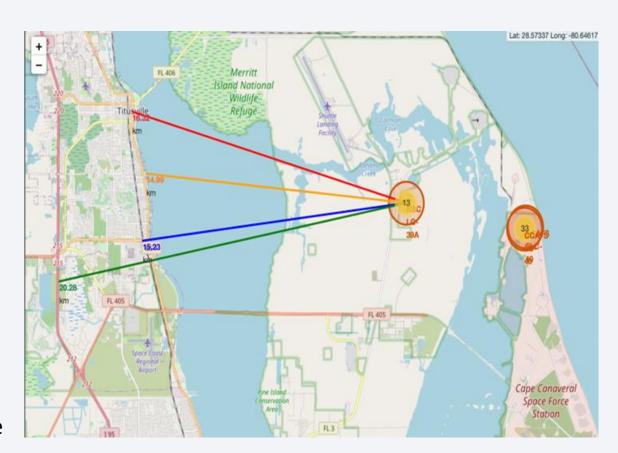
- From the colour-labeled markers we should be able to easily identify which launch sites have relatively high success rates.
  - Green Marker = Successful Launch
  - Red Marker = Failed Launch
- Launch Site KSC LC-39A has a very high Success Rate



# Distance from the launch site KSC LC-39A to its proximities

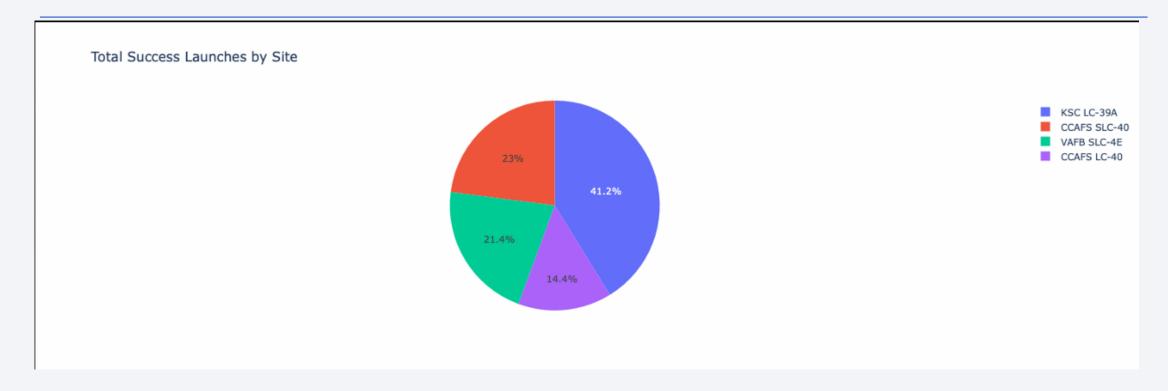
#### **Explanation**

- From the visual analysis of the launch site KSC LC-39A we can clearly see that it is:
  - relative close to railway (15.23 km)
  - elative close to highway (20.28 km)
  - relative close to coastline (14.99 km)
- Also the launch site KSC LC-39A is relative close to its closest city Titusville (16.32 km).
- Failed rocket with its high speed can cover distances like 15-20 km in few seconds. It could be potentially dangerous to populated areas.





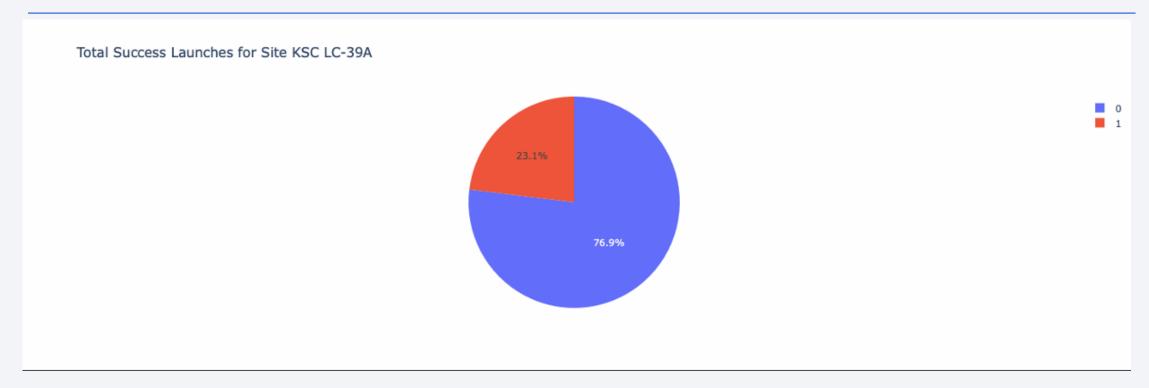
### Launch Success Rate for all Sites



#### Insight

• The chart clearly shows that from all the sites, KSC LC-39A has the most successful launches

### Launch Site with Highest Success Rate



### Insight

 KSC LC-39A has the highest launch success rate (76.9%) with 10 successful and only 3 failed landings

### Payload vs Launch Outcome for all Sites

### Insight

 The charts show that payloads between 2000 and 5500 kg have the highest success rate





# Classification Accuracy

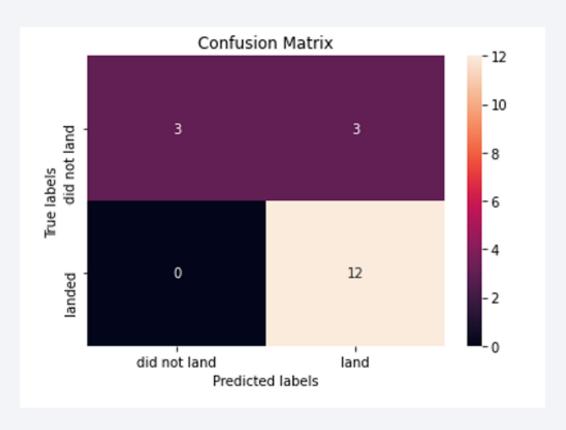
	LogReg	SVM	Tree	KNN
Jaccard_Score	0.833333	0.845070	0.882353	0.819444
F1_Score	0.909091	0.916031	0.937500	0.900763
Accuracy	0.866667	0.877778	0.911111	0.85556

# Insight

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

### **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.

# **Appendix**

• Include any relevant assets like Python code snippets, SQL queries, charts, Notebook outputs, or data sets that you may have created during this project

