

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

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 - Predictive Analysis
- Summary of all results
 - Exploratory Data Analysis results
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 - Predictive results

Introduction

- Project background and context
 - The aim of this project is to predict if the Falcon 9 first stage will successfully land. SpaceX says
 on its website that the Falcon 9 rocket launch cost 62 million dollars. Other providers cost upward
 of 165 million dollars each. The price difference is explained by the fact that SpaceX can reuse the
 first stage. By determining if the stage will land, we can determine the cost of a launch. This
 information is interesting for another company if it wants to compete with SpaceX for a rocket
 launch.
- Problems you want to find answers
 - What are the main characteristics of a successful or failed landing?
 - What are the effects of each relationship of the rocket variables on the success or failure of a landing?
 - What are the conditions which will allow SpaceX to achieve the best landing success rate?



Methodology

Executive Summary

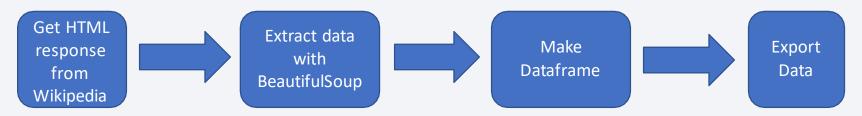
- Data collection methodology:
 - SpaceX REST API
 - Web Scrapping from Wikipedia
- Perform data wrangling
 - Dropping unnecessary columns
 - One Hot Encoding for classification models
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - · How to build, tune, evaluate classification models

Data Collection

- Datasets are collected from Rest SpaceX API and webscrapping Wikipedia
 - The information obtained by the API are rocket, launches, payload information.
 - The Space X RESTAPI URL is api.spacexdata.com/v4/



- The information obtained by the webscrapping of Wikipedia are launches, landing, payload information.
 - URL is https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=List_of_Falcon_9 and Falcon_Heavy_launches&oldid=1027686922



Data Collection - SpaceX API

1. Getting Response from API

spacex_url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"
response = requests.get(spacex_url)

2. Convert Response to JSON File

data = response.json()
data = pd.json_normalize(data)

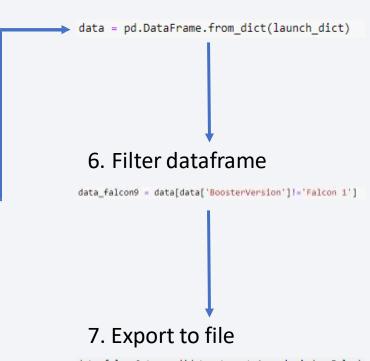
3. Transform data

getLaunchSite(data)
getPayloadData(data)
getCoreData(data)
getBoosterVersion(data)

4. Create dictionary with data



5. Create dataframe



data_falcon9.to_csv('dataset_part_1.csv', index=False)

Data Collection - Scraping

1. Getting Response from HTML

response = requests.get(static_url)

2. Create BeautifulSoup Object

soup = BeautifulSoup(response.text, "html5lib")

3. Find all tables

html_tables = soup.findAll('table')

4. Get column names

```
for th in first_launch_table.find_all('th'):
    name = extract_column_from_header(th)
    if name is not None and len(name) > 0 :
        column names.append(name)
```

5. Create dictionary

```
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 be an empty list
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. Add data to keys

```
extracted_row = 0
#Extract each table
for table_number,table in enumerate(soup.find_all
    # get table row
    for rows in table.find_all("tr"):
        #check to see if first table heading is a.
        if rows.th:
            if rows.th.string:
                flight_number=rows.th.string.stri
                flag=flight_number.isdigit()
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See notebook for the rest of code

7. Create dataframe from dictionary

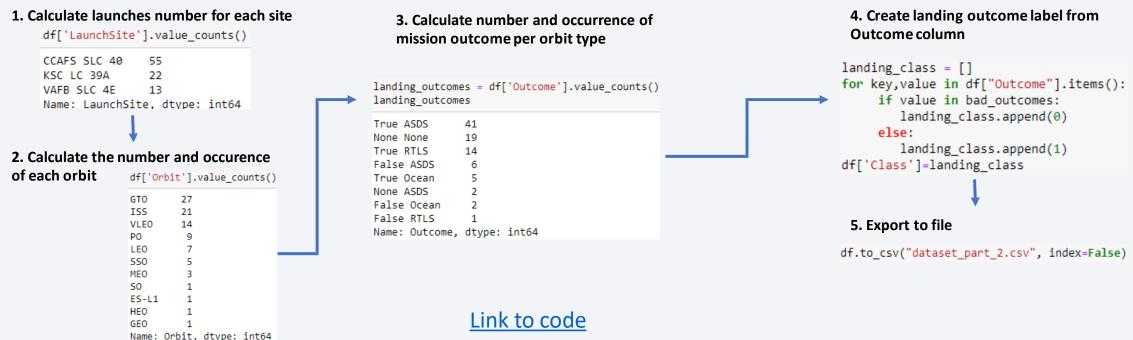
df=pd.DataFrame(launch_dict)

8. Export to file

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

Data Wrangling

- In the dataset, there are several cases where the booster did not land successully.
 - True Ocean, True RTLS, True ASDS means the mission has been successful.
 - False Ocean, False RTLS, False ASDS means the mission was a failure.
- We need to transform string variables into categorical variables where 1 means the mission has been successful and 0 means the mission was a failure.



EDA with Data Visualization

Scatter Graphs

- Flight Number vs. Payload Mass
- Flight Number vs. Launch Site
- Payload vs. Launch Site
- Orbit vs. Flight Number
- Payload vs. Orbit Type
- Orbit vs. Payload Mass

Scatter plots show relationship between variables. This relationship is called the correlation.

- Bar Graph
 - Success rate vs. Orbit

Bar graphs show the relationship between numeric and categoric variables.



- Line Graph
 - Success rate vs. Year

Line graphs show data variables and their trends. Line graphs can help to show global behavior and make prediction for unseen data.



EDA with SQL

- We performed SQL queries to gather and understand data from dataset:
 - Displaying the names of the unique lauunch sites in the space mission.
 - Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'
 - Display the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS).
 - Display average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1.
 - List the date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was achieved.
 - List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000.
 - List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes.
 - List the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass.
 - List the records which will display the month names, faiilure landing_ouutcomes in drone ship, booster versions, launch_site for the months in year 2015.
 - Rank the count of successful landiing_outcomes between the date 04-06-2010 and 20-03-2017 in descending order.

Link to code

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Folium map object is a map centered on NASA Johnson Space Center at Houson, Texas
 - Red circle at NASA Johnson Space Center's coordinate with label showing its name (folium.Circle, folium.map.Marker).
 - Red circles at each launch site coordinates with label showing launch site name (folium.Circle, folium.map.Marker, folium.features.Divlcon).
 - The grouping of points in a cluster to display multiple and different information for the same coordinates (folium.plugins.MarkerCluster).
 - Markers to show successful and unsuccessful landings. Green for successful landing and Red for unsuccessful landing. (folium.map.Marker, folium.lcon).
 - Markers to show distance between launch site to key locations (railway, highway, coastway, city) and plot a line between them. (folium.map.Marker, folium.PolyLine, folium.features.Divlcon)
- These objects are created in order to understand better the problem and the data. We can show easily all launch sites, their surroundings and the number of successful and unsuccessful landings.

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- Dashboard has dropdown, pie chart, rangeslider and scatter plot components
 - Dropdown allows a user to choose the launch site or all launch sites (dash_core_components.Dropdown).
 - Pie chart shows the total success and the total failure for the launch site chosen with the dropdown component (plotly.express.pie).
 - Rangeslider allows a user to select a payload mass in a fixed range (dash_core_components.RangeSlider).
 - Scatter chart shows the relationship between two variables, in particular Success vs Payload Mass (plotly.express.scatter).

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

Data preparation

- Load dataset
- Normalize data
- Split data into training and test sets.

Model preparation

- Selection of machine learning algorithms
- Set parameters for each algorithm to GridSearchCV
- Training GridSearchModel models with training dataset

Model evaluation

- Get best hyperparameters for each type of model
- Compute accuracy for each model with test dataset
- Plot Confusion Matrix

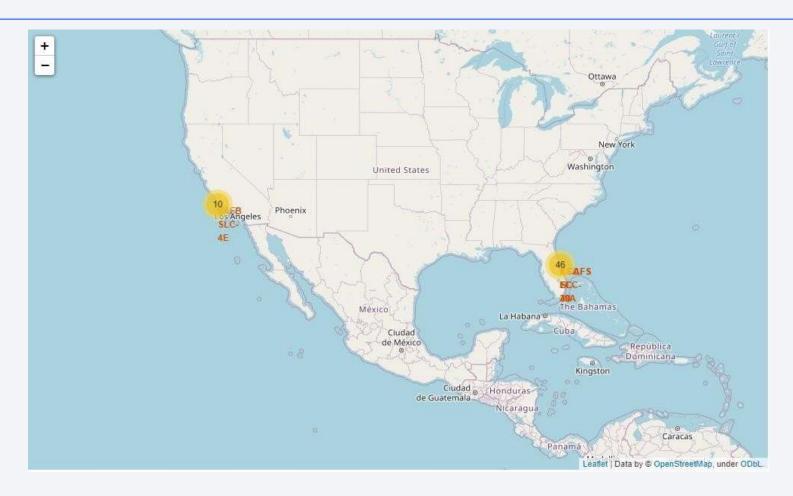
Model comparison

- Comparison of models according to their accuracy
- The model with the best accuracy will be chosen (see Notebook for result)

Results

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

Folium map - Ground stations



We see that Space X launch sites are located on the coast of the United States

