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# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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# Executive Summary

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- Data collection methodology
  - Perform data wrangling
  - Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
  - Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
  - Perform predictive analysis using classification models
- Summary of all results

# Introduction

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- In this project, it was collected data from SpaceX API to create a dataset. With this dataset, we can extract some insights from graphic plots. We can also analyze and extract insights from Pandas DataFrames
- The focus of this project is create a Machine Learning model to predict whether a landing will be successful or not for future launches, based on data collected from the SpaceX API



Section 1

# Methodology

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## Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
  - The data was collected from SpaceX API, using requests library from Python. The Pandas library was used to convert JSON format (API response) to DataFrame
- Perform data wrangling
  - Describe how data was processed
  - To fill null numeric data, we used the mean of the feature in question. It was used a numpy and pandas library to do that.
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
  - We used a matplotlib library to explore and plot data. With SQL we extract some important information

# Methodology

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## Executive Summary

- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
  - With Folium, we can extract some information about distance and map visualization. Plotly Dash provide us a interactive way to see plots and charts
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
  - We used GridSearchCV to find the best parameters for Logistic Regression, SVM, Decision Tree, KNN models.

# Data Collection

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- Requests library was used to get data from SpaceX API.  
The SpaceX API returns a data in JSON format, this data was converted into a DataFrame using a Pandas library.
- BeautifulSoup (BS4) library was used to get data from Wikipedia.  
We parsed the HTML provided from the BS4 to Pandas DataFrame



# Data Collection – SpaceX API

```
In [61]: # Show the head of the dataframe  
df.head()
```

```
Out[61]:
```

	FlightNumber	Date	BoosterVersion	PayloadMass	Orbit	LaunchSite	Outcome	Flights	GridFins	Reused	Legs	LandingPad	Block	ReusedCount	Seri
0	1	2006-03-24	Falcon 1	20.0	LEO	Kwajalein Atoll	None None	1	False	False	False	None	NaN	0	Merlin1
1	2	2007-03-21	Falcon 1	NaN	LEO	Kwajalein Atoll	None None	1	False	False	False	None	NaN	0	Merlin2
2	4	2008-09-28	Falcon 1	165.0	LEO	Kwajalein Atoll	None None	1	False	False	False	None	NaN	0	Merlin2
3	5	2009-07-13	Falcon 1	200.0	LEO	Kwajalein Atoll	None None	1	False	False	False	None	NaN	0	Merlin3
4	6	2010-06-04	Falcon 9	NaN	LEO	CCSFS SLC 40	None None	1	False	False	False	None	1.0	0	B001

- Above we can see how data is stored into Pandas DataFrame. In Data Wrangling step, we'll choose some features that'll help us in the forward steps
- GitHub URL of Data Collection step: [Applied Data Science Capstone/Data Collection API.ipynb at main · Juanszf/Applied Data Science Capstone \(github.com\)](https://github.com/Juanszf/Applied_Data_Science_Capstone/blob/main/Data_Collection_API.ipynb)

# Data Collection - Scraping

Out[14]:

	Flight No.	Launch site	Payload	Payload mass	Orbit	Customer	Launch outcome	Version Booster	Booster landing	Date	Time
0	1	CCAFS	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0	LEO	SpaceX	Success\n	F9 v1.0B0003.1	Failure	4 June 2010	18:45
1	2	CCAFS	Dragon	0	LEO	NASA (COTS)\nNRO	Success	F9 v1.0B0004.1	Failure	8 December 2010	15:43
2	3	CCAFS	Dragon	525 kg	LEO	NASA (COTS)	Success	F9 v1.0B0005.1	No attempt\n	22 May 2012	07:44
3	4	CCAFS	SpaceX CRS-1	4,700 kg	LEO	NASA (CRS)	Success\n	F9 v1.0B0006.1	No attempt	8 October 2012	00:35
4	5	CCAFS	SpaceX CRS-2	4,877 kg	LEO	NASA (CRS)	Success\n	F9 v1.0B0007.1	No attempt\n	1 March 2013	15:10
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
116	117	CCSFS	Starlink	15,600 kg	LEO	SpaceX	Success\n	F9 B5B1051.10	Success	9 May 2021	06:42
117	118	KSC	Starlink	~14,000 kg	LEO	SpaceX Capella Space and Tyvak	Success\n	F9 B5B1058.8	Success	15 May 2021	22:56
118	119	CCSFS	Starlink	15,600 kg	LEO	SpaceX	Success\n	F9 B5B1063.2	Success	26 May 2021	18:59
119	120	KSC	SpaceX CRS-22	3,328 kg	LEO	NASA (CRS)	Success\n	F9 B5B1067.1	Success	3 June 2021	17:29
120	121	CCSFS	SXM-8	7,000 kg	GTO	Sirius XM	Success\n	F9 B5	Success	6 June 2021	04:26

121 rows x 11 columns

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# Data Wrangling

```
In [121]: data_falcon9.isnull().sum()
```

```
Out[121]: FlightNumber      0  
Date                      0  
BoosterVersion            0  
PayloadMass               5  
Orbit                     0  
LaunchSite                0  
Outcome                   0  
Flights                   0  
GridFins                  0  
Reused                    0  
Legs                      0  
LandingPad               26  
Block                    0  
ReusedCount              0  
Serial                   0  
Longitude                0  
Latitude                 0  
dtype: int64
```

- As shown above, Payload Mass column has five null values. One way to solve that is replace the null values for the mean of the Payload Mass column
- We used replace method to replace the np.nan values for 6123.54 (mean of Payload Mass)

# Data Wrangling

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```
In [10]: for i,outcome in enumerate(landing_outcomes.keys()):  
         print(i,outcome)  
  
0 True ASDS  
1 None None  
2 True RTLS  
3 False ASDS  
4 True Ocean  
5 False Ocean  
6 None ASDS  
7 False RTLS
```

- As shown above, the column “Landing Outcome” bring to us if the landing is successful or not
- We associated the false results to “Class 0” and the true results to “Class 1”
- The Class column was added to DataFrame, this will help us in the forwards steps
- GitHub URL of Data Collection step: [Applied Data Science Capstone/Data Wrangling.ipynb at main · Juanszf/Applied Data Science Capstone \(github.com\)](https://github.com/Juanszf/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/Data%20Wrangling.ipynb)

# EDA with Data Visualization

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Summary of charts were plotted in this project:

- Categorical Plot: It was used to visualize the relations of two features
- Bar Plot: It was used to visualize the rate of successfully landing per orbit
- Line Plot: It was used to visualize the increasing of successfully landing over the time
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# EDA with SQL

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Summary of SQL queries we performed

- `%%sql SELECT DISTINCT launch_site FROM SPACEXTBL`
- `%%sql SELECT * FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE (lower(launch_site) LIKE 'cca%') LIMIT 5`
- `%%sql SELECT sum(payload_mass__kg_) AS Total_Payload_Mass_NASA  
FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE (customer LIKE 'NASA (CRS)')`
- `%%sql SELECT avg(payload_mass__kg_) AS avg_payload_mass_f9_v1_1  
FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE (booster_version LIKE 'F9 v1.1')`
- `%%sql SELECT min(date) AS first_success FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE (landing__outcome LIKE 'Success (ground pad)')`
- `%%sql SELECT booster_version FROM spacextbl WHERE (mission_outcome LIKE 'Success') AND (payload_mass__kg_ BETWEEN 4000 AND 6000)`
- `%%sql SELECT mission_outcome, COUNT(*) AS total FROM spacextbl GROUP BY mission_outcome`
- `%%sql SELECT booster_version AS booster_with_max_payload_mass FROM spacextbl WHERE payload_mass__kg_ IN (SELECT max(payload_mass__kg_) FROM SPACEXTBL)`
- `%%sql SELECT booster_version, launch_site FROM spacextbl WHERE (landing__outcome LIKE 'Failure (drone ship)') AND (year(date) = 2015)`
- `%%sql SELECT landing__outcome as landing_outcome, COUNT(*) AS total FROM spacextbl WHERE date BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20'  
GROUP BY landing__outcome ORDER BY total DESC`

- Github URL: [Applied\\_Data\\_Science\\_Capstone/jupyter-labs-eda-sql-coursera.ipynb](https://github.com/Juanszf/Applied_Data_Science_Capstone/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-sql-coursera.ipynb) at main · Juanszf/Applied\_Data\_Science\_Capstone (github.com)



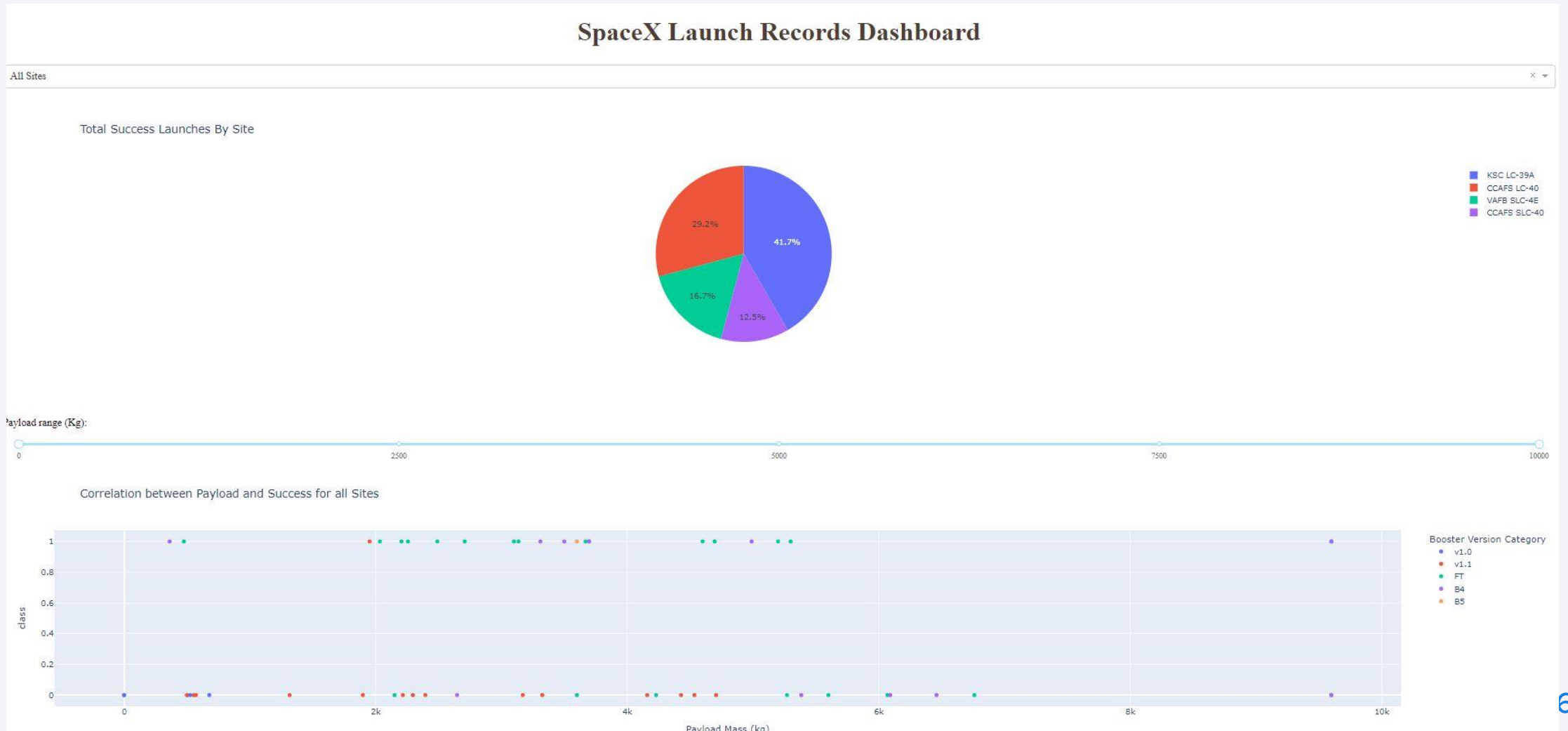
# Build an Interactive Map with Folium

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Summary of map objects we use in Folium:

- Circles: It was used to indicate the launch locations
- Lines: It was used to indicate the distance between the launch locations and nearest airport
- GitHub URL: [Applied\\_Data\\_Science\\_Capstone/Interactive Visual Analytics with Folium lab.ipynb at main · Juanszf/Applied\\_Data\\_Science\\_Capstone \(github.com\)](https://github.com/Juanszf/Applied_Data_Science_Capstone/blob/main/Interactive%20Visual%20Analytics%20with%20Folium%20lab.ipynb)

# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash



# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

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We build four models of machine learning:

- Logistic Regression
  - Support Vector Machine (SVM)
  - Decision Tree
  - K-nearest neighbors
  - GridSearchCV was used to find the best parameters for each machine learning model
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- **GitHub URL:** [Applied Data Science Capstone/Machine Learning Prediction.ipynb at main · Juanszf/Applied\\_Data\\_Science\\_Capstone \(github.com\)](https://github.com/Juanszf/Applied_Data_Science_Capstone/blob/main/Machine%20Learning%20Prediction.ipynb)



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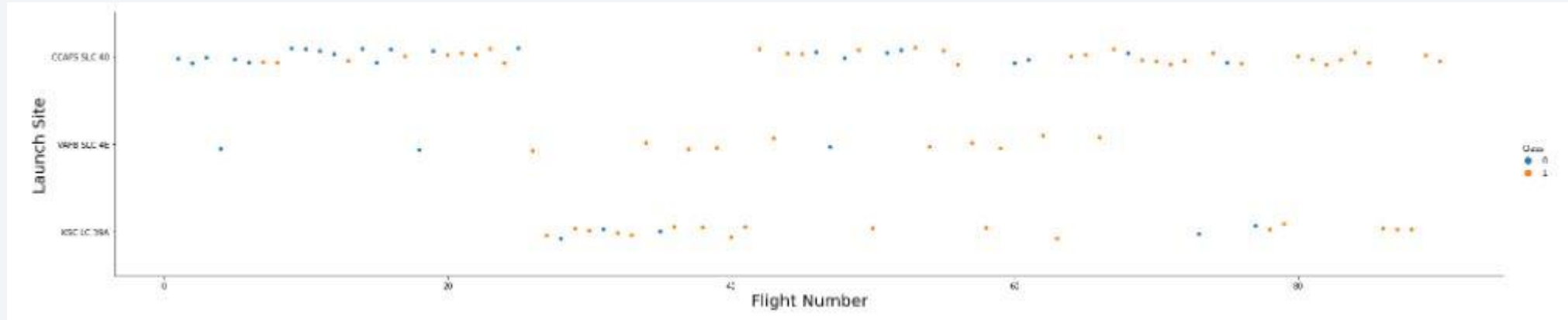
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# Insights drawn from EDA



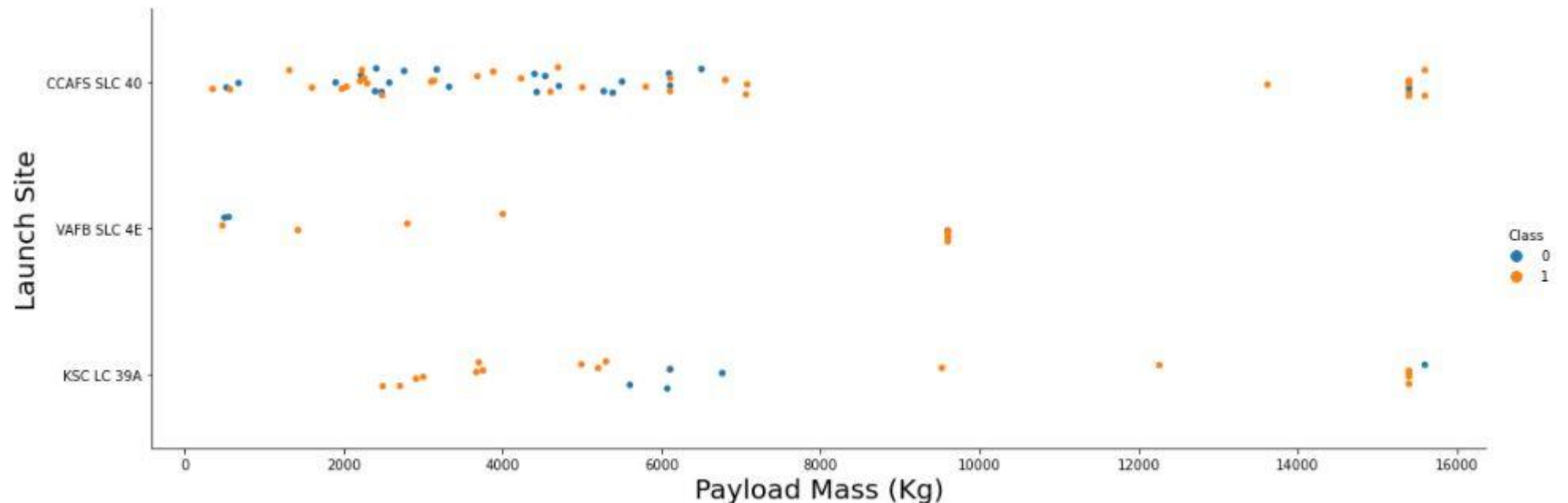
# Flight Number vs. Launch Site

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This plot shows an increasing of successful landing over the flight number

# Payload vs. Launch Site



- **CCAFS SLC40 Analysis**

CCAFS SLC 40 has more Launches than VAFB SLC 4E and KSC LC39A

Most Flights of CCAFS SLC 40 has the Payload Mass between 0 and 8000 (kg)

- **VAFB SLC 4E**

Is often used for a specific Payload Mass, due a crowding points near 10000 (kg)

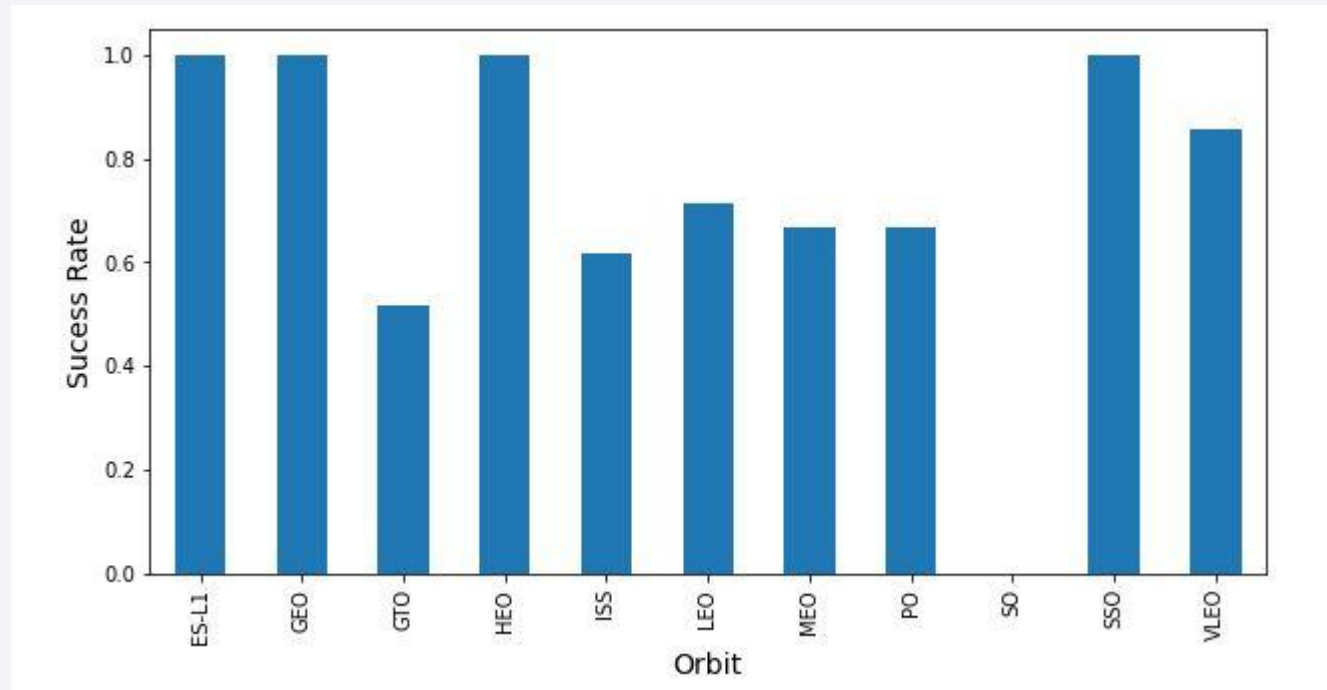
- **KSC LC 39A**

Is the less used Launch Site, but has a interesting rate of flight success



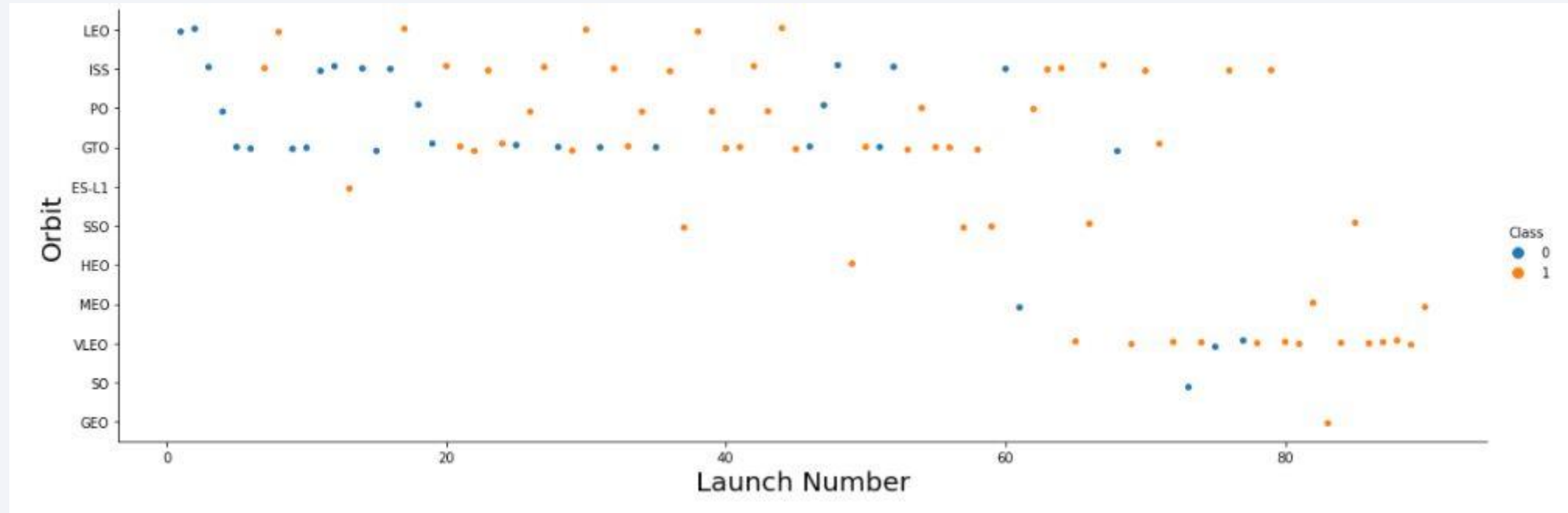
# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

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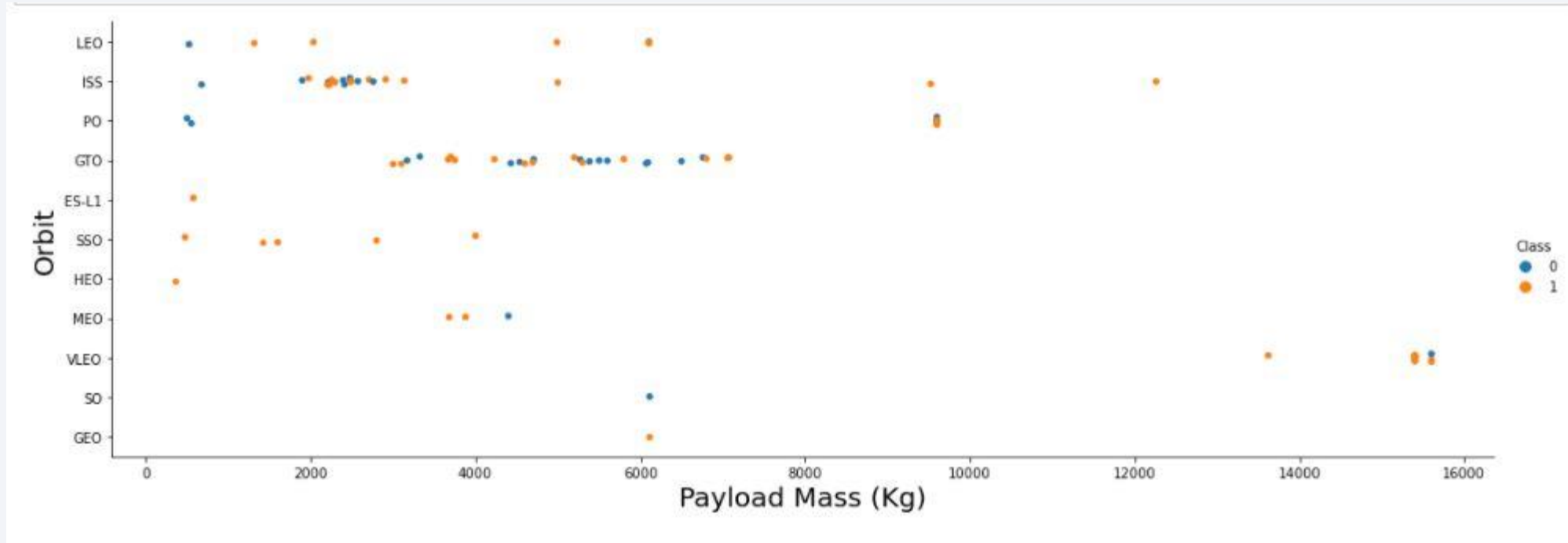
**ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO have the highest success rate**

# Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



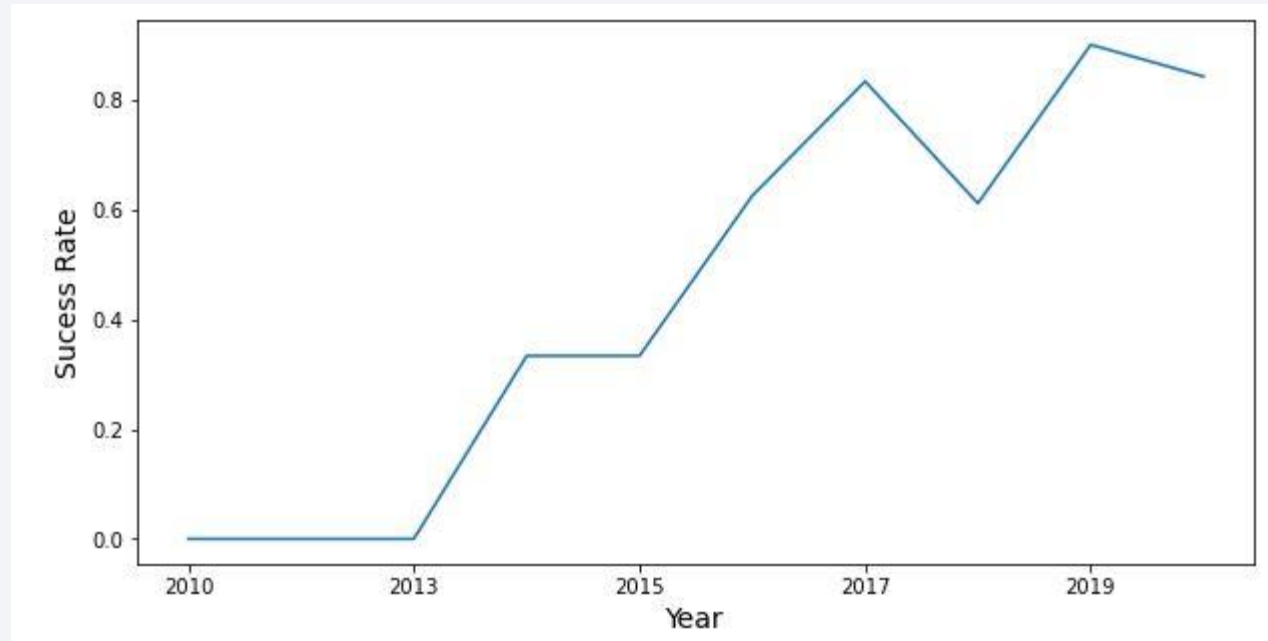
**ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO have the highest success rate, but they have a fewer launches**

# Payload vs. Orbit Type



# Launch Success Yearly Trend

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We can observe that the sucess rate since 2013 kept increasing till 2020

# All Launch Site Names

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- CCAFS LC-40
  - CCAFS SLC-40
  - KSC LC-39A
  - VAFB SLC-4E
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- `%%sql SELECT DISTINCT launch_site FROM SPACEXTBL`

With this query we displayed the name of all launch site names

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

```
In [16]: %%sql
SELECT *
FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE (lower(launch_site) LIKE 'cca%')
LIMIT 5
```

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* ibm_db_sa://qjs22631:***@mba99a9e6-d59e-4883-8fc0-d6a8c9f7a08f.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:31321/bludb
Done.
```

```
Out[16]:
```

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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```
In [20]: %%sql  SELECT sum(payload_mass__kg_) AS Total_Payload_Mass_NASA
          FROM SPACEXTBL
          WHERE (customer LIKE 'NASA (CRS)')
```

```
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Done.
```

```
Out[20]: total_payload_mass_nasa
```

45596
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# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

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```
In [22]: %%sql  SELECT avg(payload_mass__kg_) AS avg_payload_mass_f9_v1_1
          FROM SPACEXTBL
          WHERE (booster_version LIKE 'F9 v1.1')
```

```
* ibm_db_sa://qjs22631:***@mba99a9e6-d59e-4883-8fc0-d6a8c9f7a08f.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:31321/bludb
Done.
```

```
Out[22]: avg_payload_mass_f9_v1_1
```

2928
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# First Successful Ground Landing Date

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```
In [25]: %%sql  SELECT min(date) AS first_success
           FROM SPACEXTBL
           WHERE (landing__outcome LIKE 'Success (ground pad)')
```

```
* ibm_db_sa://qjs22631:***@mba99a9e6-d59e-4883-8fc0-d6a8c9f7a08f.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:31321/bludb
Done.
```

```
Out[25]:
```

first_success
2015-12-22

# Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

```
In [28]: %%sql      SELECT booster_version
          FROM spacextbl
          WHERE (mission_outcome LIKE 'Success') AND (payload_mass__kg_ BETWEEN 4000 AND 6000)
```

```
* ibm_db_sa://qjs22631:***@mba99a9e6-d59e-4883-8fc0-d6a8c9f7a08f.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:31321/bludb
Done.
```

```
Out[28]: booster_version
```

F9 v1.1
F9 v1.1 B1011
F9 v1.1 B1014
F9 v1.1 B1016
F9 FT B1020
F9 FT B1022
F9 FT B1026
F9 FT B1030
F9 FT B1021.2
F9 FT B1032.1
F9 B4 B1040.1
F9 FT B1031.2
F9 FT B1032.2
F9 B4 B1040.2
F9 B5 B1046.2
F9 B5 B1047.2
F9 B5 B1046.3
F9 B5B1054
F9 B5 B1048.3
F9 B5 B1051.2
F9 B5B1060.1
F9 B5 B1058.2
F9 B5B1062.1

# Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

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```
In [29]: %%sql SELECT mission_outcome, COUNT(*) AS total
          FROM spacextbl
          GROUP BY mission_outcome
```

```
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Done.
```

```
Out[29]:
```

mission_outcome	total
Failure (in flight)	1
Success	99
Success (payload status unclear)	1

# Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

```
In [30]: %%sql SELECT booster_version AS booster_with_max_payload_mass
          FROM spacextbl
          WHERE payload_mass__kg_ IN (SELECT max(payload_mass__kg_) FROM SPACEXTBL)

* ibm_db_sa://qjs22631:***@mba99a9e6-d59e-4883-8fc0-d6a8c9f7a08f.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:31321/blddb
Done.
```

Out[30]: **booster\_with\_max\_payload\_mass**

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

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```
In [31]: %%sql  SELECT booster_version, launch_site
          FROM spacextbl
          WHERE (landing__outcome LIKE 'Failure (drone ship)') AND (year(date) = 2015)
```

```
* ibm_db_sa://qjs22631:***@mba99a9e6-d59e-4883-8fc0-d6a8c9f7a08f.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:31321/bludb
Done.
```

```
Out[31]:
```

booster_version	launch_site
F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40
F9 v1.1 B1015	CCAFS LC-40

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

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```
In [33]: %%sql
SELECT landing__outcome as landing_outcome, COUNT(*) AS total
FROM spacextbl
WHERE date BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20'
GROUP BY landing__outcome
ORDER BY total DESC
```

```
* ibm_db_sa://qjs22631:***@mba99a9e6-d59e-4883-8fc0-d6a8c9f7a08f.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:31321/bludb
Done.
```

```
Out[33]:
```

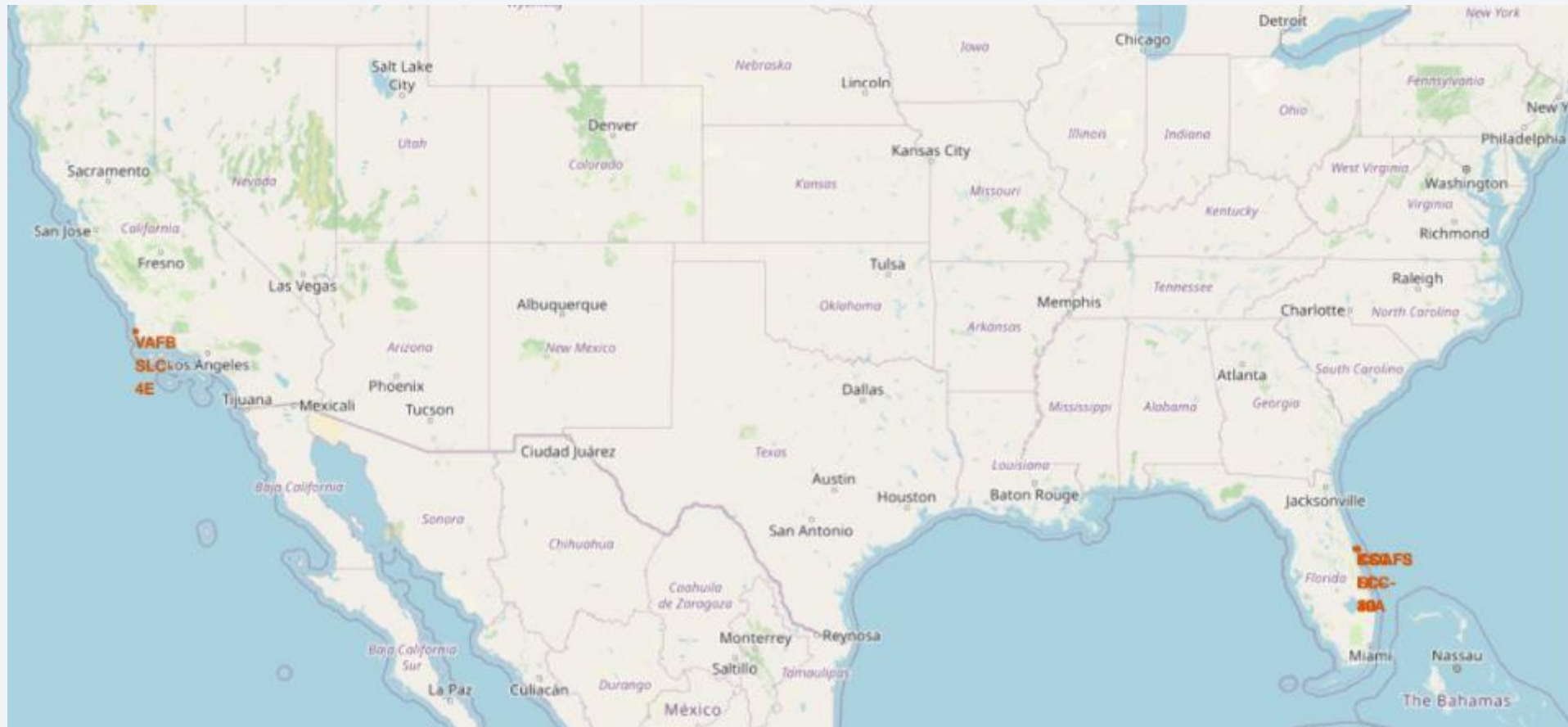
landing_outcome	total
No attempt	10
Failure (drone ship)	5
Success (drone ship)	5
Controlled (ocean)	3
Success (ground pad)	3
Failure (parachute)	2
Uncontrolled (ocean)	2
Precluded (drone ship)	1

Section 4

# Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

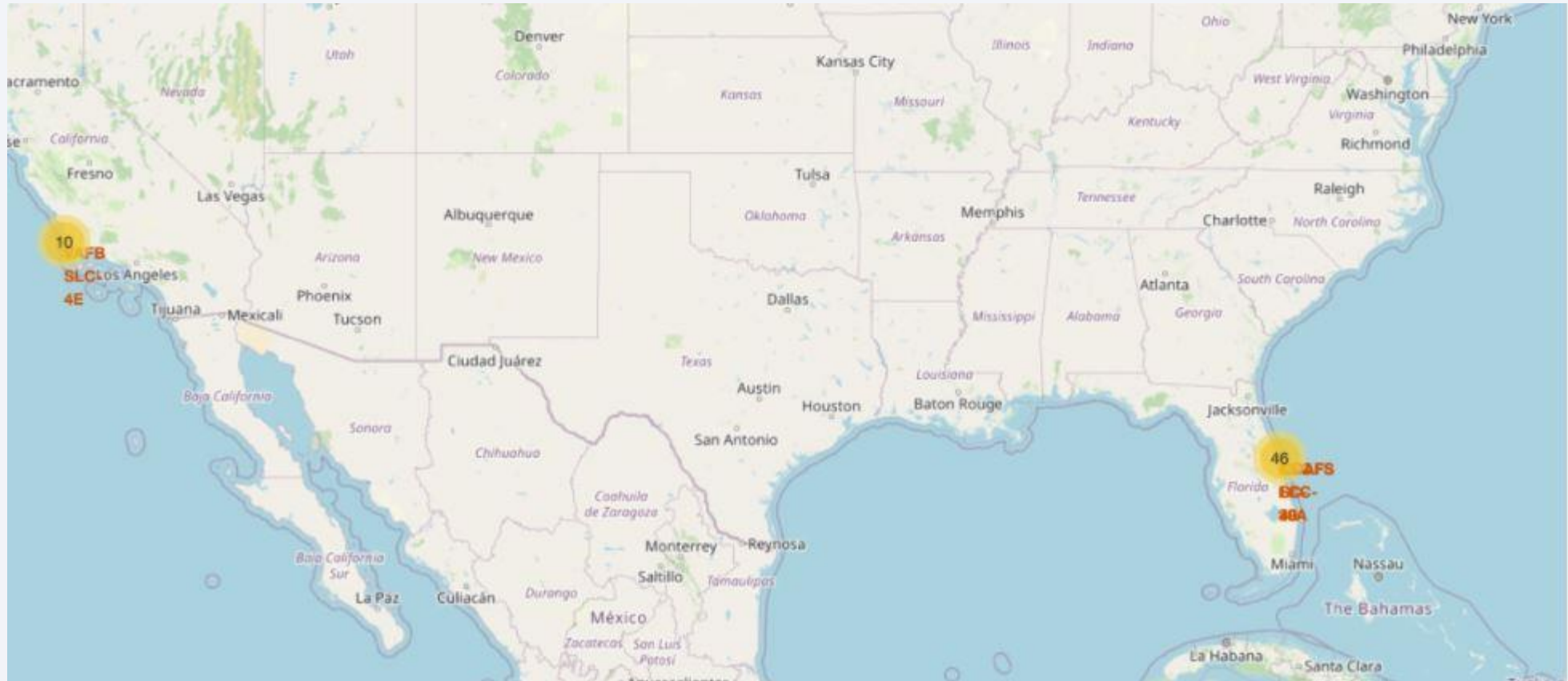


# Map view of launch sites

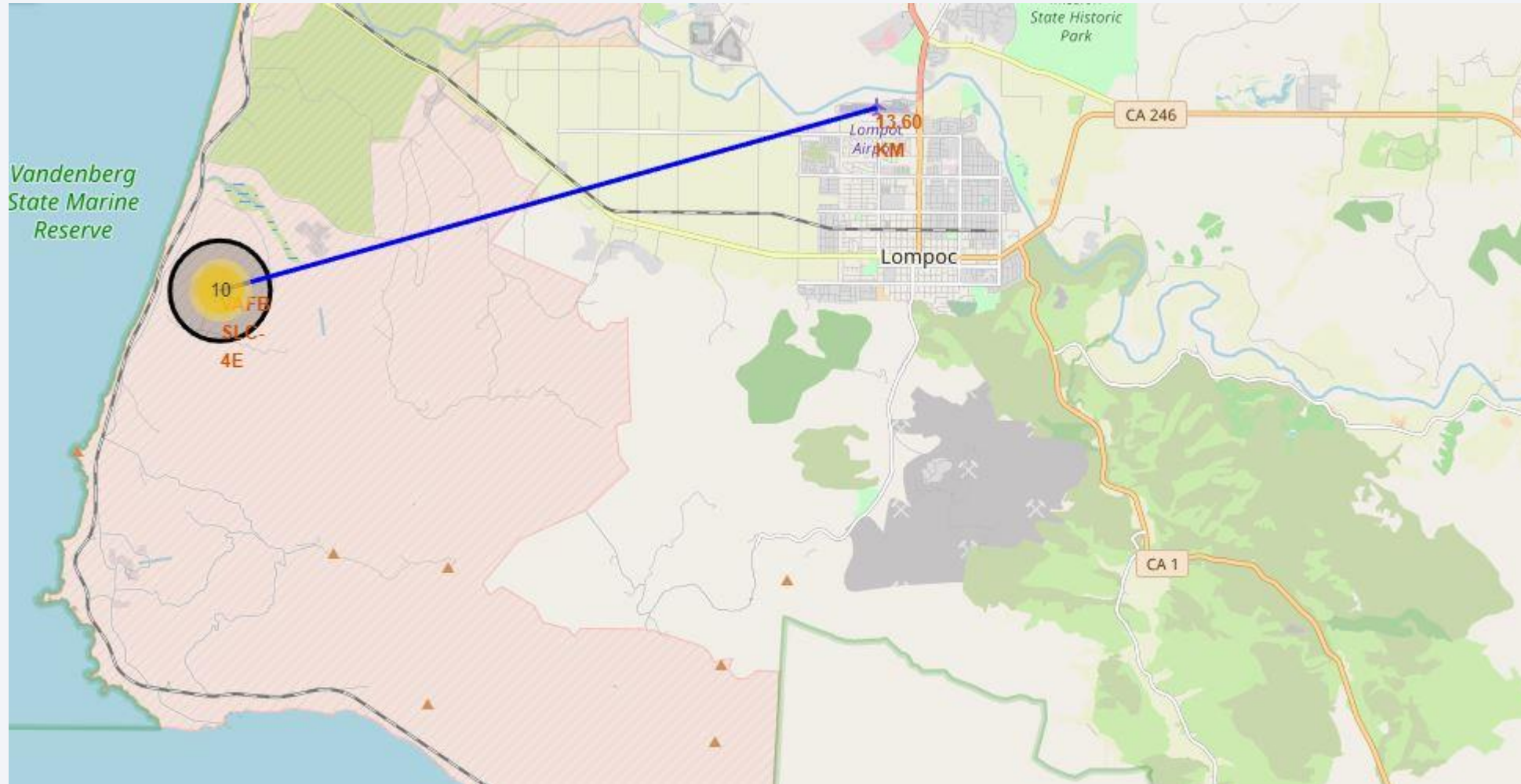


Pins of launch site locations





# Map with the distance to nearest city airport



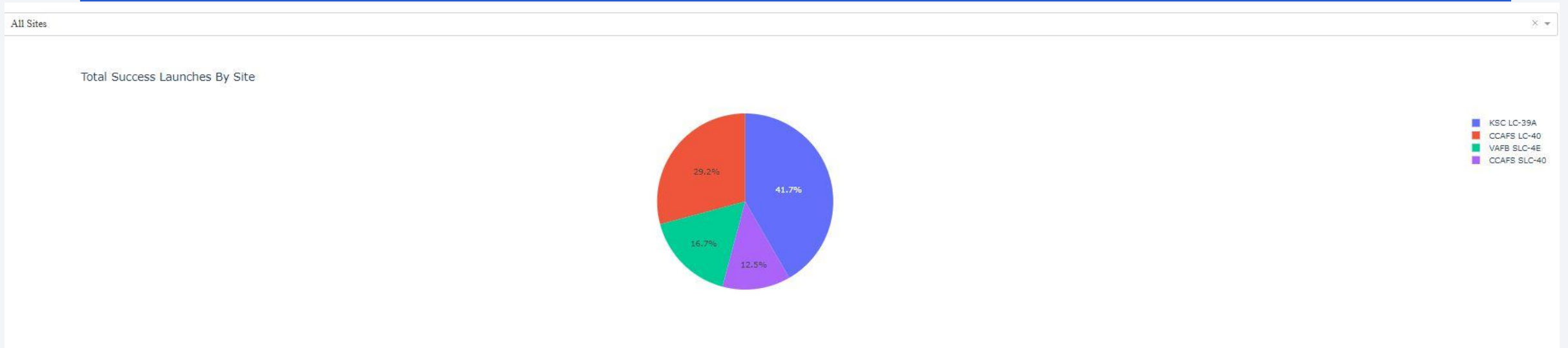




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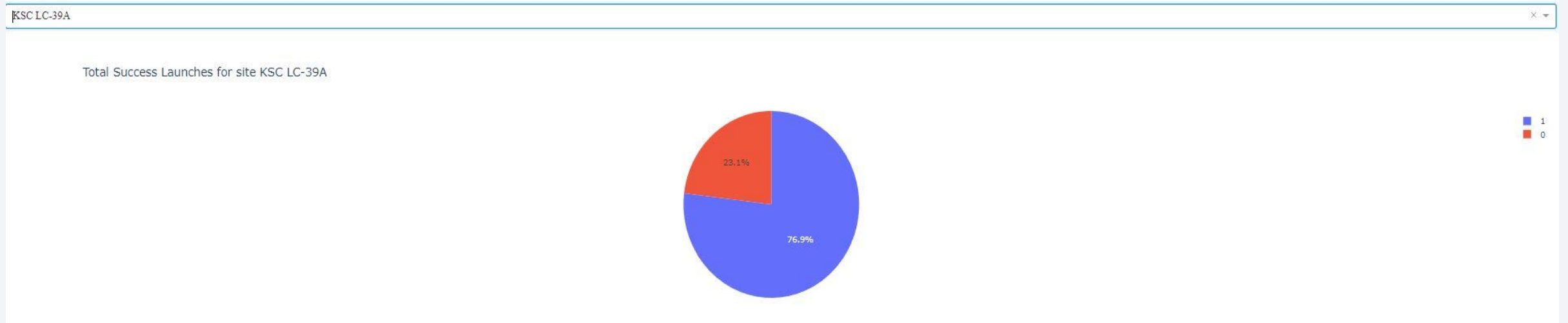
# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

# Launch Success by Launch Sites

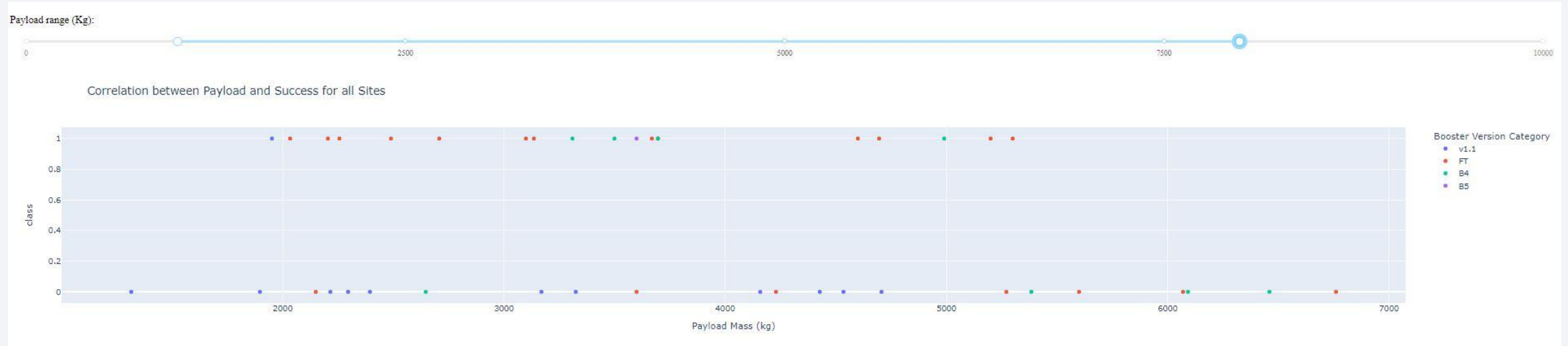


KSC LC-39A have the highest success rate

# KSC LC-39A LAUNCHES



# Payload Mass and Success correlation



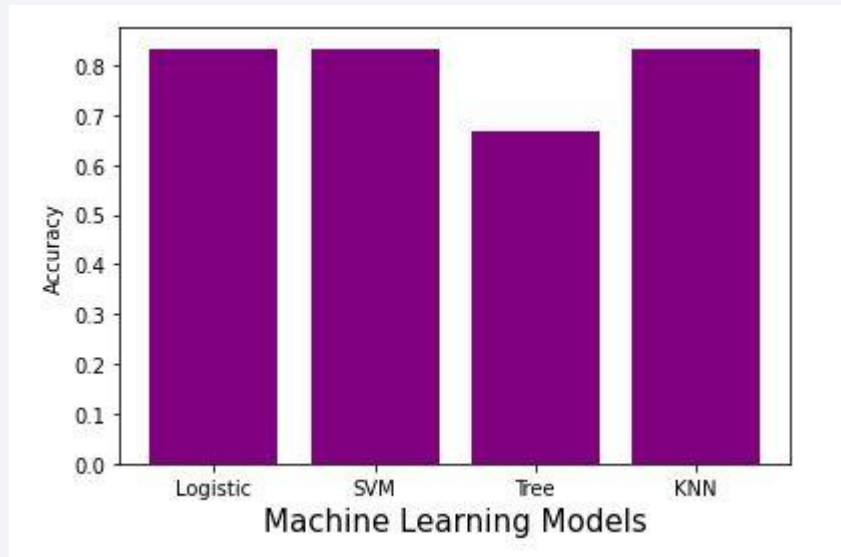


Section 6

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

# Classification Accuracy

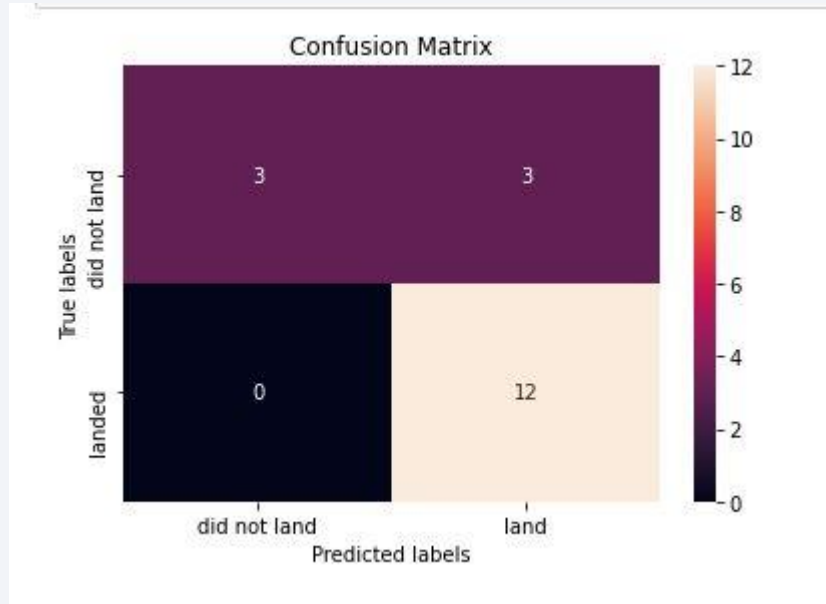
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- Logistic Regression accuracy: 0,83
- SVM accuracy: 0,83
- Decision Tree: 0,66
- KNN accuracy: 0,83



# Confusion Matrix



The confusion matrix shows us that the model predicts successful landings well, but We see that the major problem is false positives.

# Conclusions

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- All machine learning models have high accuracy, we can use any
- We have an improvement in the successful landing rate over time, which shows an upward trend in the success rate
- The launch locations have a safety distance from cities and roads
- We can predict 80% of successful landing, so, we can determine the coast of 80% of launches

Thank you!

