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# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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# Outline

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- Introduction
- Methodology
- Results
- Conclusion
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# Executive Summary

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- Summary of methodologies

1. Data Collection – SpaceX API & Web Scraping

2. Data Wrangling

3. EDA with Data Visualization & SQL

4. Interactive Map with folium

5. Plotly Dash Board

6. Machine Learning Models- LogReg, SVM, KNN, Decision Tree

- Summary of all results

Complete Data Frame of Falcon 9, Success Rate, Launch Site's Location and surroundings, Charts and Plots, Accuracies Of the Models

# Introduction

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## MANUFACTURING COST

SPACEX  
\$62 Millions



Other Providers  
Upwards of \$165 millions

HOW??

By Reusing The First Stage !



In this Project ,We Will find the key of a Success landing



Section 1

# Methodology

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## Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
  - Using SpaceX API and Web Scraping
- Perform data wrangling
  - Filtering, Transforming, Changing and adding columns like `df['Class']`
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
  - Split, Fit, Train, Test, Best Parameters, Best Score and Score method used



# Data Collection – SpaceX API

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Import Libraries

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Define Auxillary Functions

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Get Request

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Normalize

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Cleaning Requested Data

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Filtering Falcon 9 Data

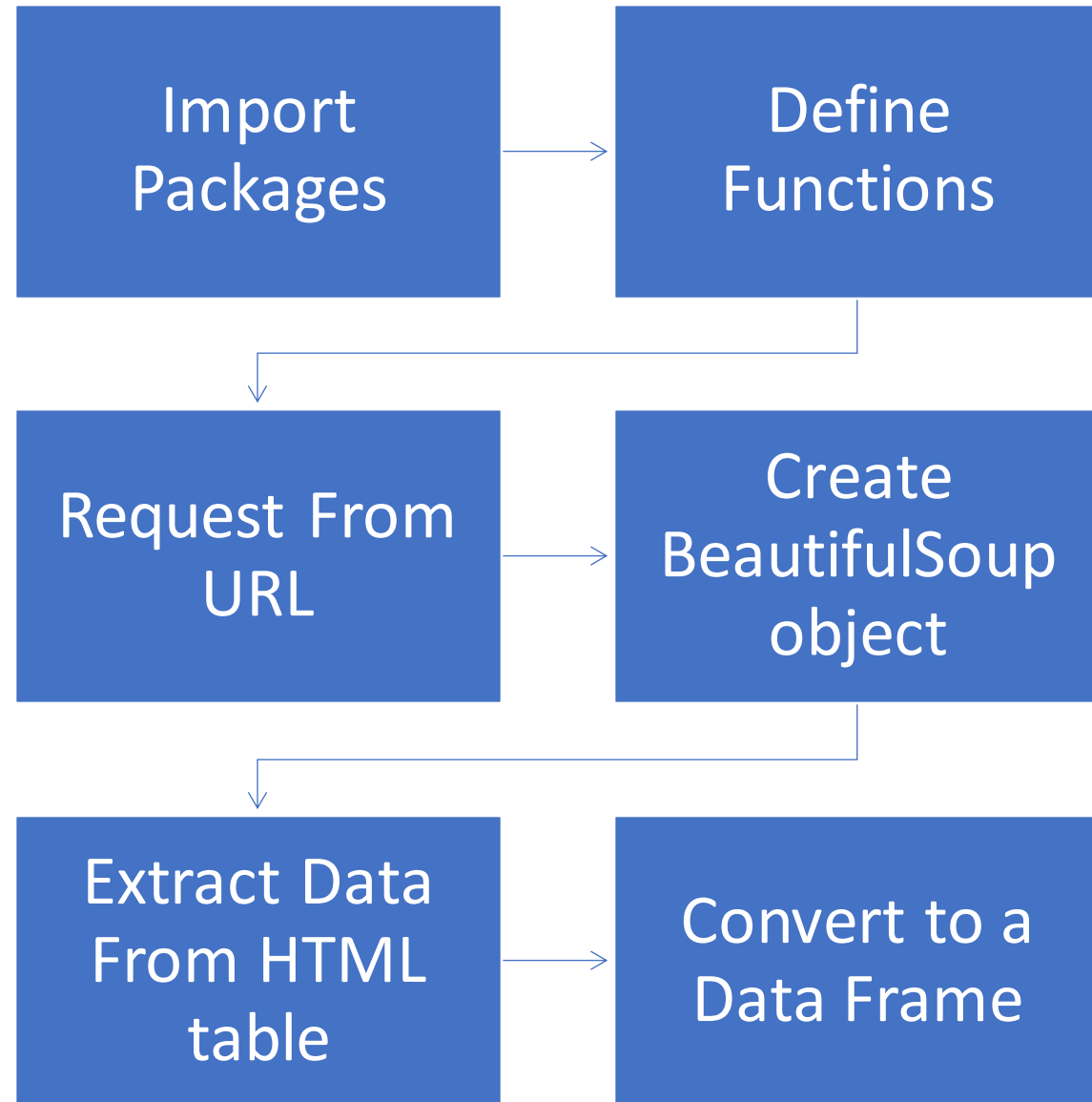
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Reser Flight Number

[API GITHUB](#)

# Data Collection - Scraping

[WEB SCRAPING GITHUB](#)





# Data Wrangling

- Missing Values
- Column Type
- No. of Launches per orbit , No. Of launches per site
- Landing Outcomes – TRUE =1 , False=0
- Add Class Column
- Success rate

[EDA github](#)

# EDA with Data Visualization

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- Flight Number Vs Payload Mass -

↑ Flight Number = ↑ Payload Mass & ↑ Success Rate

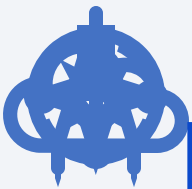
- Flight Number Vs launch Site – TOP = CCAFS SLC 40
- Payload vs launch site – Most Heavy Launches in CCAFS SLC 40
- Success rate vs Orbit – Higher in ES-L1, GEO , HEO , SSO

Lower in GTO & ISS

- Flight Number VS orbit - ↑ Flight Number = ↑ VLEO Orbit
- Payload Mass vs Orbit – Highest Payload = VLEO Orbit
- Success Rate Vs Year - ↑ 2013-17 ↓ 2017-18 ↑ 2018-19 ↓ 2019-20
- [EDA with data visualization github](#)

# EDA with SQL

- DISTINCT Statement
- WHERE + LIKE "%NAME%" - LIMIT
- SUM() + WHERE
- AVG() + WHERE
- MIN() + WHERE
- COUNT() + GROUPBY
- DISTINCT + WHERE (SUBQUERY MAX())
- substr(Date, 4, 2) as month + substr(Date,7,4)='2015'
- WHERE + BETWEEN AND + LIKE "%NAME%" - ORDER BY Desc
- [EDA with sql github](#)



# Build an Interactive Map with Folium

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CIRCLES – To Mark Launch Site



CLUSTER – To show in a simple manner the success/failure of each launch at a launch site.



LINES- Illustrating the distances between key places and the launch site.



DISTANCE KM – Expressing a numerical fact



# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

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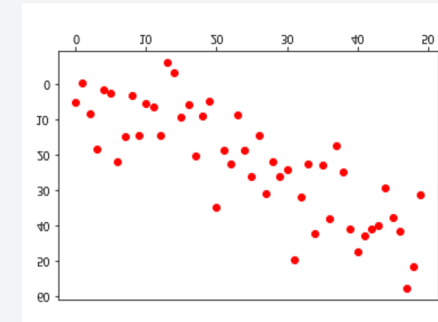
DROPDOWN – For  
filtering Launch Sites



PIE CHART – Success rate  
vs Launch Site



SLIDER – Filtering Payload  
Mass

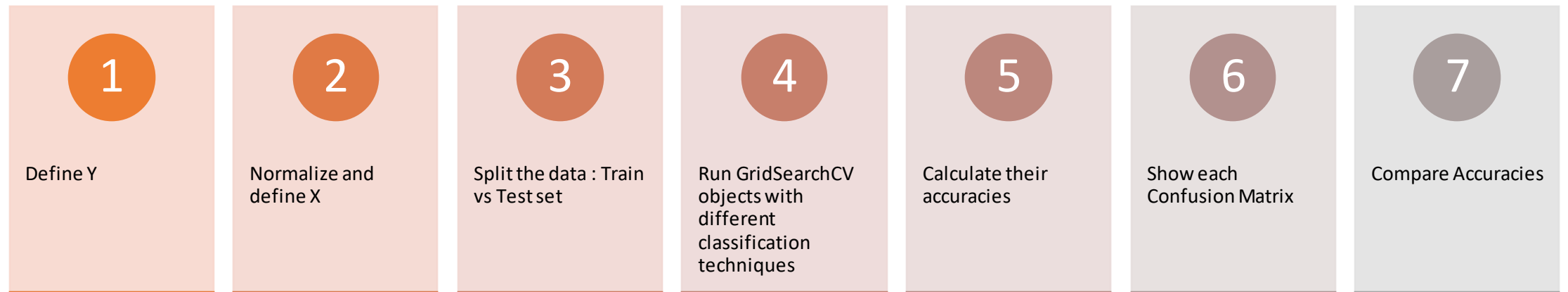


SCATTER CHART – Payload  
Mass vs Success Rate

[Dashboard Github](#)



# Predictive Analysis (Classification)



[Machine Learning](#)  
[Prediction Github](#)

# Results

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- Exploratory data analysis results
  - Different Launch Sites: CCAFS LC-40, KSC LC-39A, VAFB SLC 4E, CCAFS SLC-40
  - Most No. Launches: CCAFS SLC-40
  - 100% Success Orbits: ES-L1,GEO,HEO, SSO
  - Success Rate: 0.6667
  - Total Payload Mass: 45,596KG
  - First Successful Landing: 01-05-17
- Interactive analytics demo in screenshots
  - Launch Site Latitude and Longitude
  - Launch Site Plotting
  - Marker color
  - Cluster
  - Closest Distances: Coast :0.90 km, City : 18.21 km , Highway : 0.58 km , Railway : 1.28 km
- Predictive analysis results
  - 4 models: Logarithmic Regression, SVM, KNN Neighbors, Tree
  - Best parameters
  - Accuracy
  - Score



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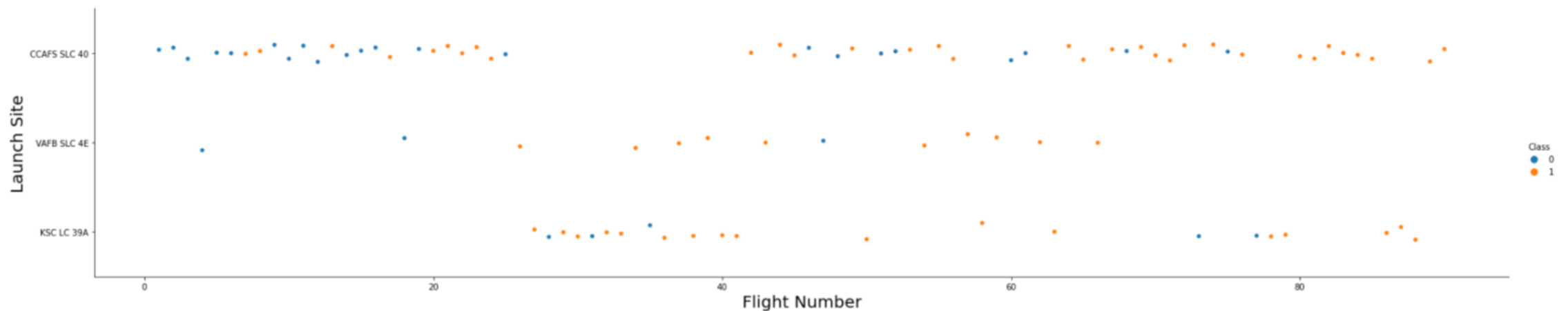
Section 2

# Insights drawn from EDA



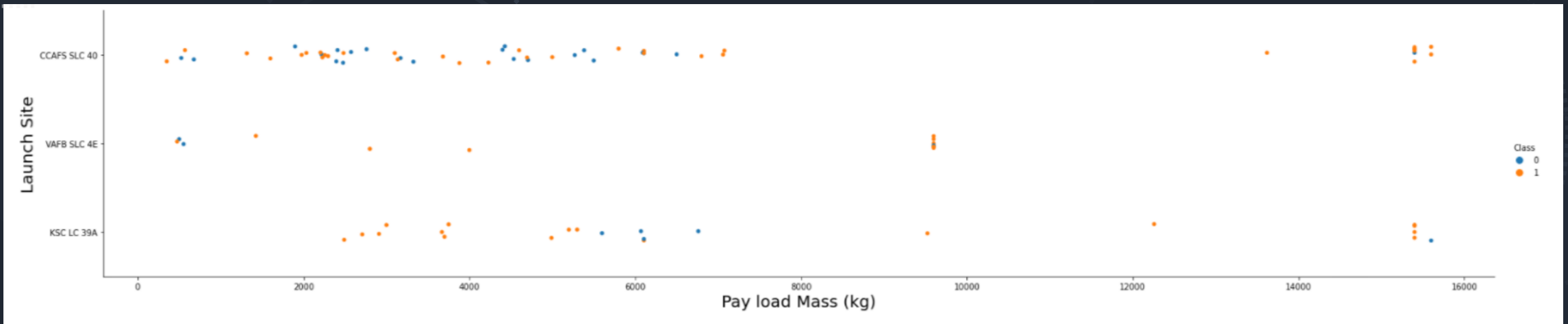
# Flight Number vs. Launch Site

- Most launches at CCAFS SLC 40 (the more n° launches, the more successful)
- At VAFB SLC 4E, few n° of launches. No one for some launches.
- Late starting at KSC LC 39A, however, good successful rate and still working there.

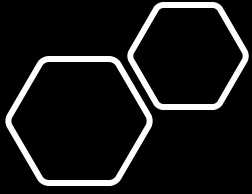


# Payload vs. Launch Site

- For the VAFB-SLC launchsite there are no rockets launched for heavypayload mass(greater than 10000).

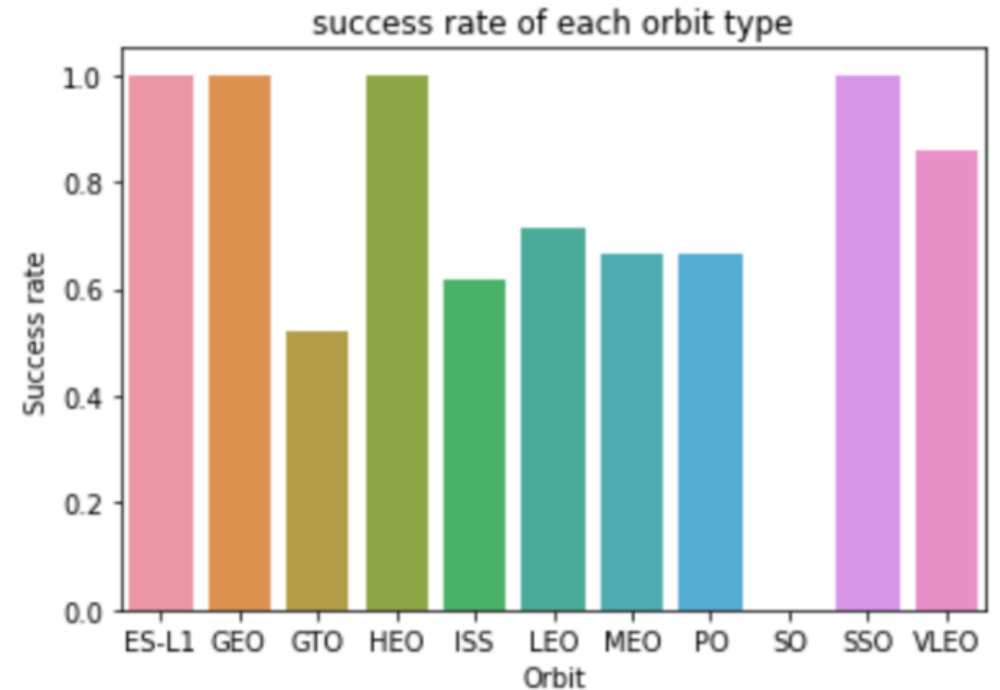


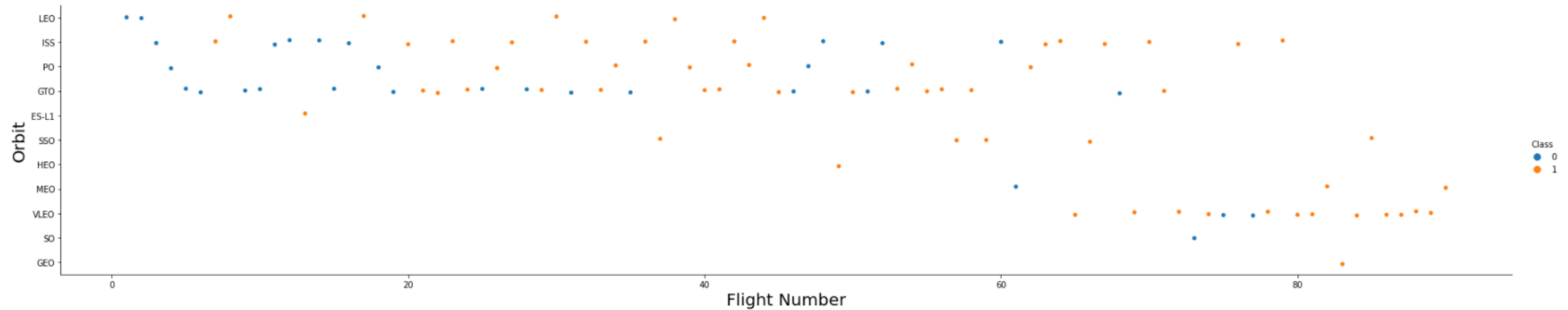




# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

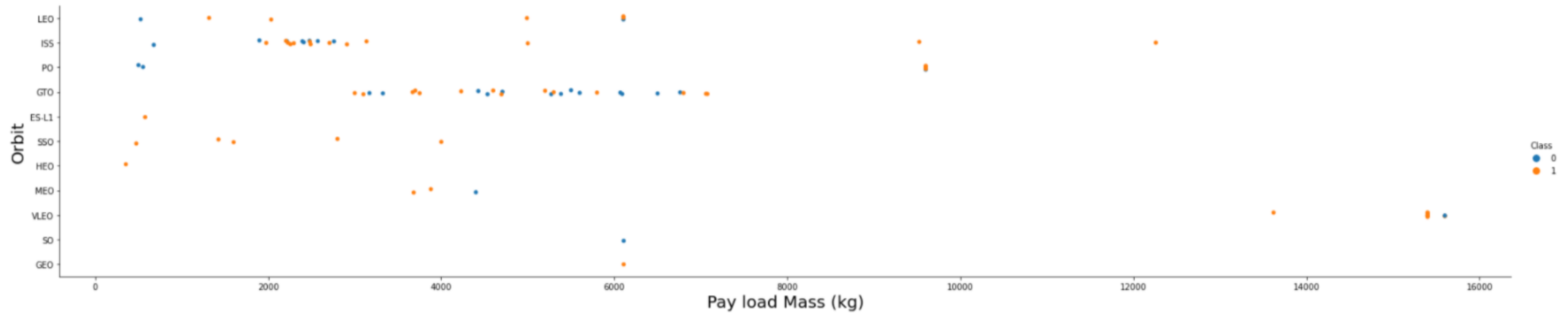
- 100 % success- ES-L1,GEO,HEO,SSO
- Failure- GTO,ISS,SO.





## Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

- 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.



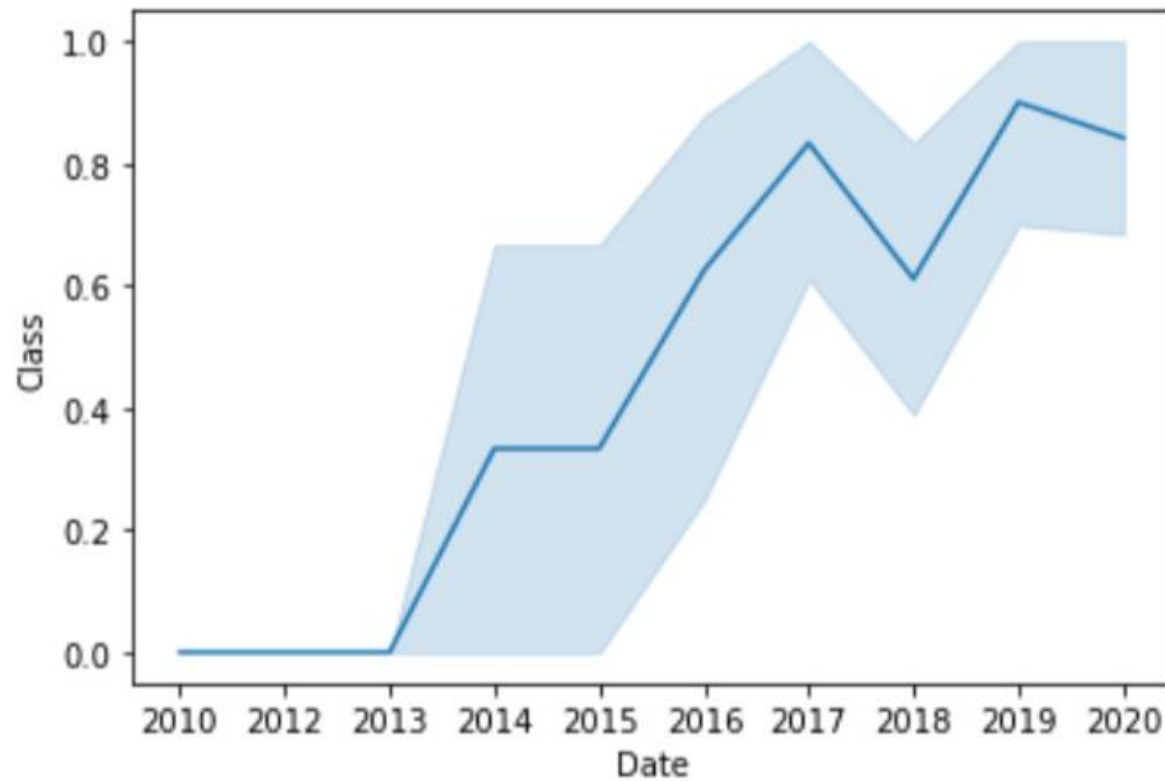
## Payload vs. Orbit Type

- With heavy payloads the successful landing or positive landing rate are more for Polar, LEO and ISS.
- However for GTO we cannot distinguish this well as both positive landing rate and negative landing (unsuccessful mission) are both there here.

# Launch Success Yearly Trend

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- you can observe that the success rate since 2013 kept increasing till 2020



# All Launch Site Names

- **%sql** SELECT  
UNIQUE(Launch\_Site) FROM  
SPACEXTBL

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



## Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

- **%sql** SELECT \* FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE launch\_site like 'CCA%' LIMIT 5

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

- %%sql
- **SELECT**  
**sum**(payload\_mass\_\_kg\_),customer **from** SPACEXTBL  
**GROUP BY** customer **HAVING**  
customer='NASA (CRS)'

1	customer
45596	NASA (CRS)

# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

- **%sql** SELECT  
avg(payload\_mass\_\_kg\_),bo  
oster\_version from  
SPACEXTBL GROUP BY  
booster\_version HAVING  
booster\_version ='F9 v1.1'

1	booster_version
2928	F9 v1.1

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

- **%sql** SELECT  
min(date),landing\_\_outcome  
from SPACEXTBL GROUP BY  
landing\_\_outcome HAVING  
landing\_\_outcome='Success  
(ground pad)'

1	landing__outcome
2015-12-22	Success (ground pad)

# Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

- **%sql** SELECT booster\_version  
FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE  
landing\_\_outcome='Success  
(drone ship)' and  
(payload\_mass\_\_kg\_  
between 4000 and 6000)

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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- `%sql SELECT COUNT(*),mission_outcome FROM SPACEXTBL GROUP BY mission_outcome`

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

# Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

- **%sql** SELECT booster\_version  
FROM SPACEXTBL where  
payload\_mass\_\_kg\_ =  
(SELECT  
max(payload\_mass\_\_kg\_)  
FROM SPACEXTBL)

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

# 2015 Launch Records

- **%sql** SELECT booster\_version,launch\_site,landing\_\_outcome FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE landing\_\_outcome = 'Failure (drone ship)' and YEAR(DATE)='2015'

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

COUNT	landing__outcome
38	Success
22	No attempt
14	Success (drone ship)
9	Success (ground pad)
5	Controlled (ocean)
5	Failure (drone ship)
3	Failure
2	Failure (parachute)
2	Uncontrolled (ocean)
1	Precluded (drone ship)

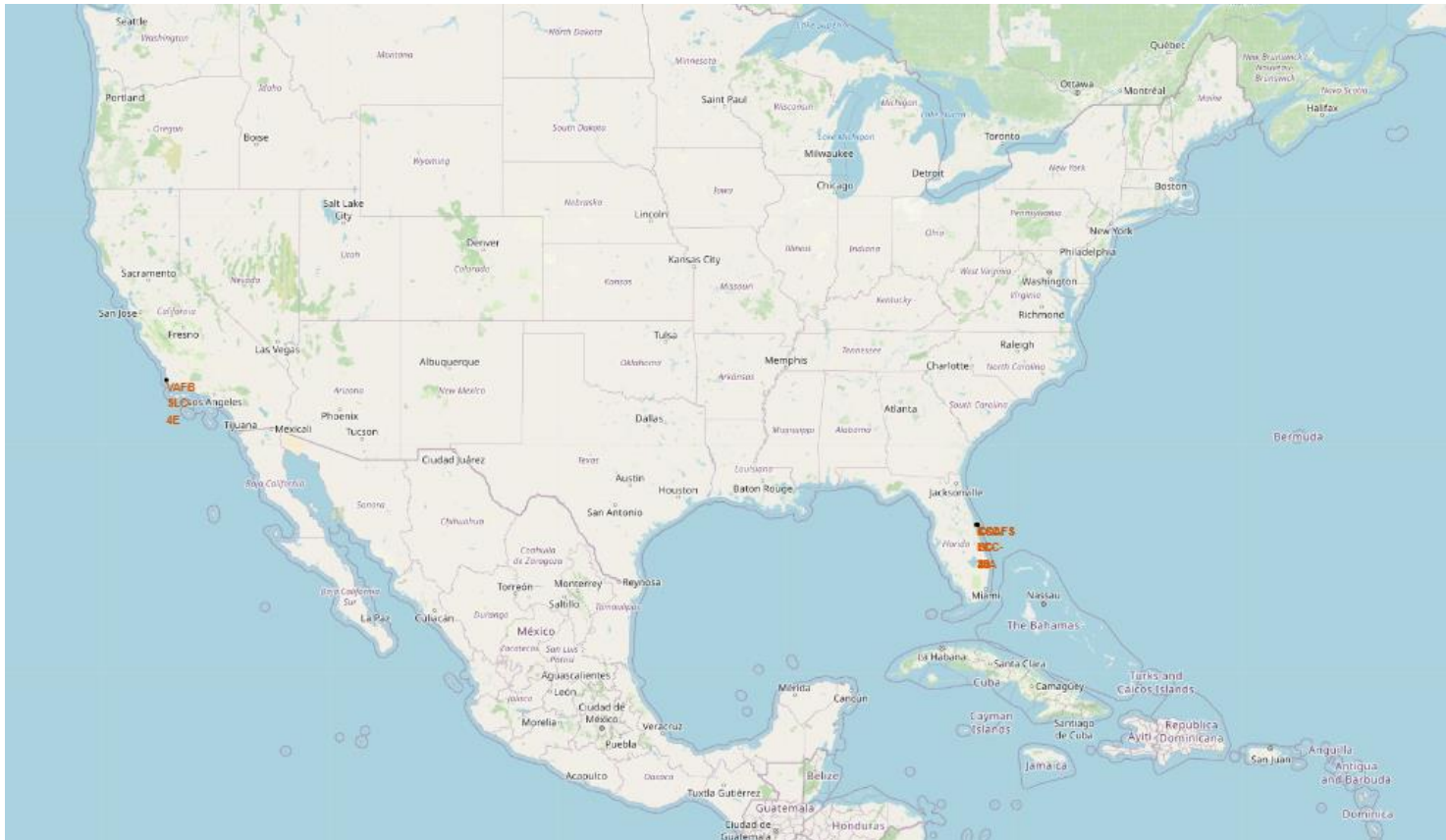
- **%sql** SELECT COUNT(\*) as count,landing\_\_outcome from SPACEXTBL GROUP BY landing\_\_outcome ORDER BY count DESC

Section 4

# Launch Sites Proximities Analysis



# Launch Site Locations



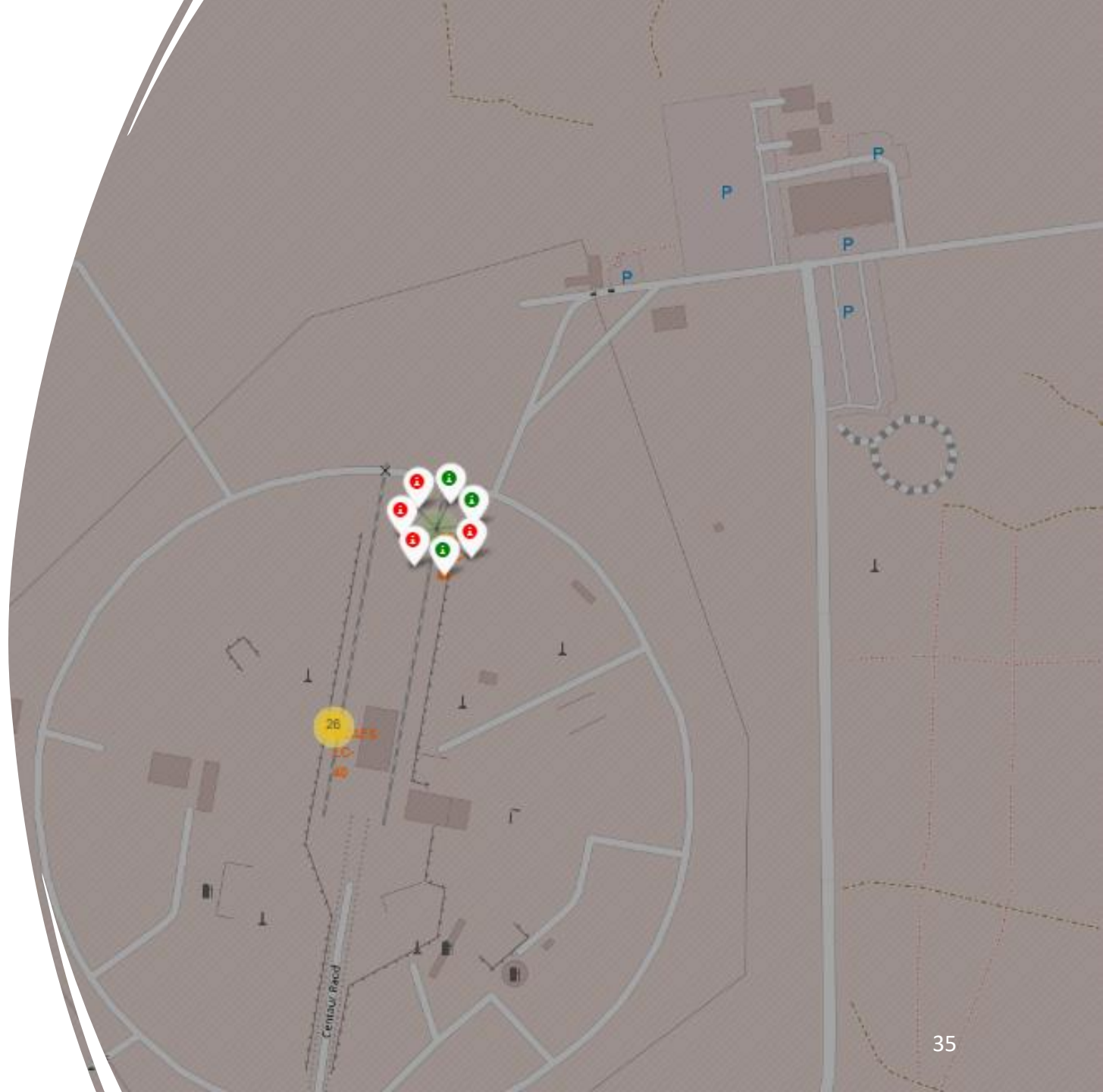
- All of them on the coast
- 3 out of 4 in the east coast
- Those on the east coast are pretty close

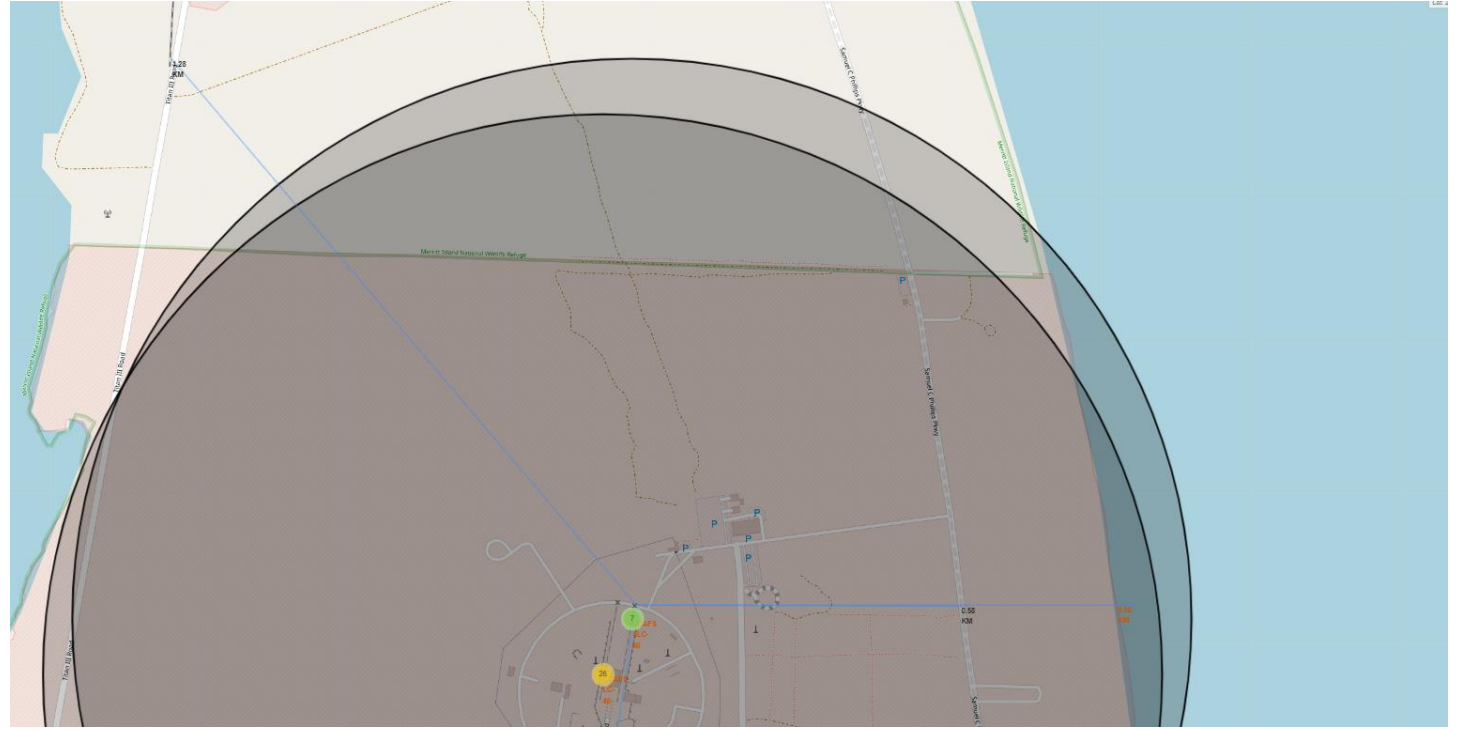
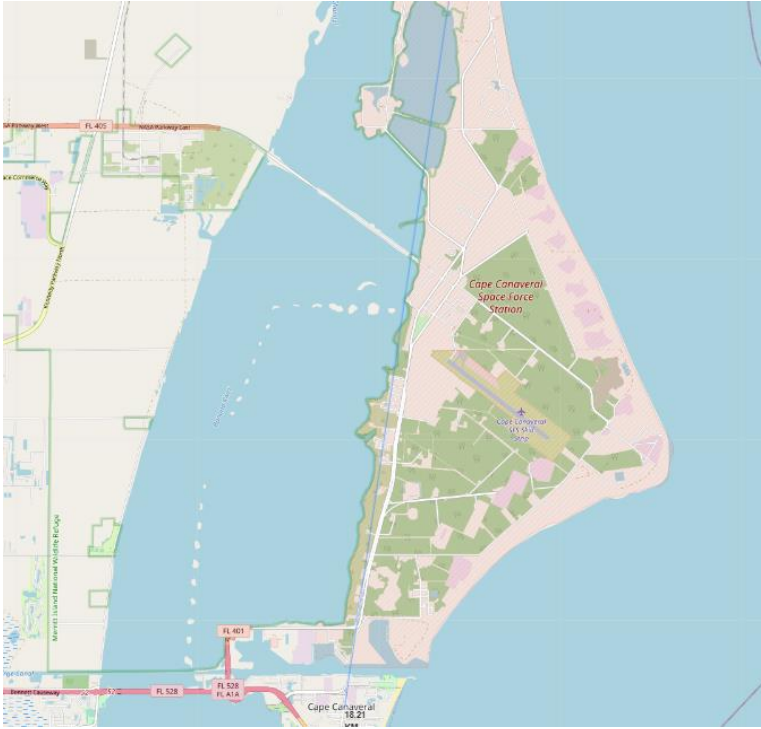


# Launch Site Cluster

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- Easy and accessible way to group and show the data (each launch site with its success/failure launch)





## Exploring the surroundings of a launch site

- Closest Distances: Coast :0.90 km, City : 18.21 km , Highway : 0.58 km , Railway : 1.28 km





Section 5

# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

Total Launches for All Sites



# Launch Success Vs success rate

- KSC LC –39A Has the highest success rate

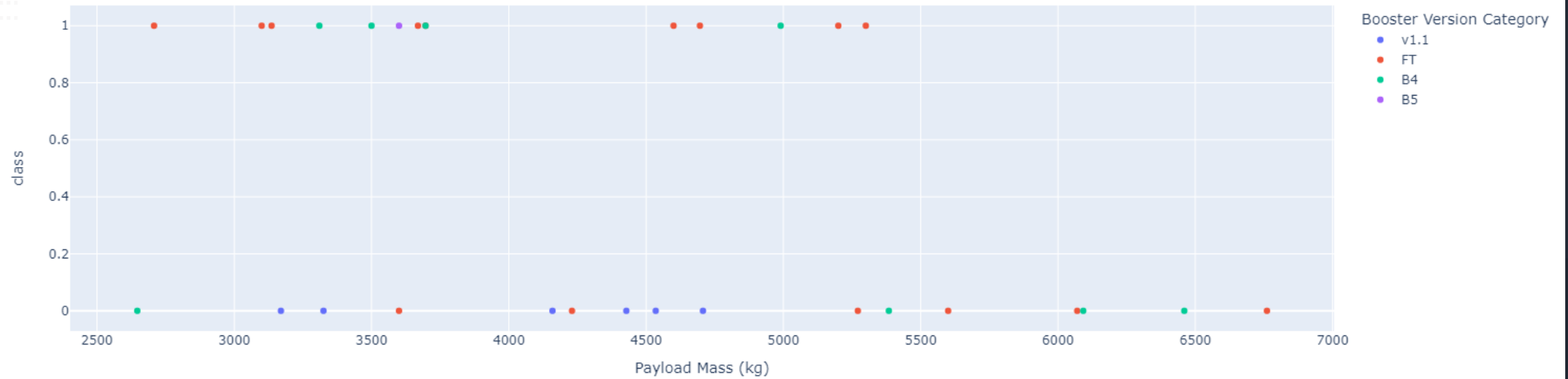
# KSC LC-39A : THE BEST SITE

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- KSC LC-39A: Although being the most successful one, nearly 25% of the launches fail!

Total Launch for a Specific Site





Success Rate per Payload Mass for each Booster Version (2,500-7,500 kg)

- The FT Booster Version has the largest success rate



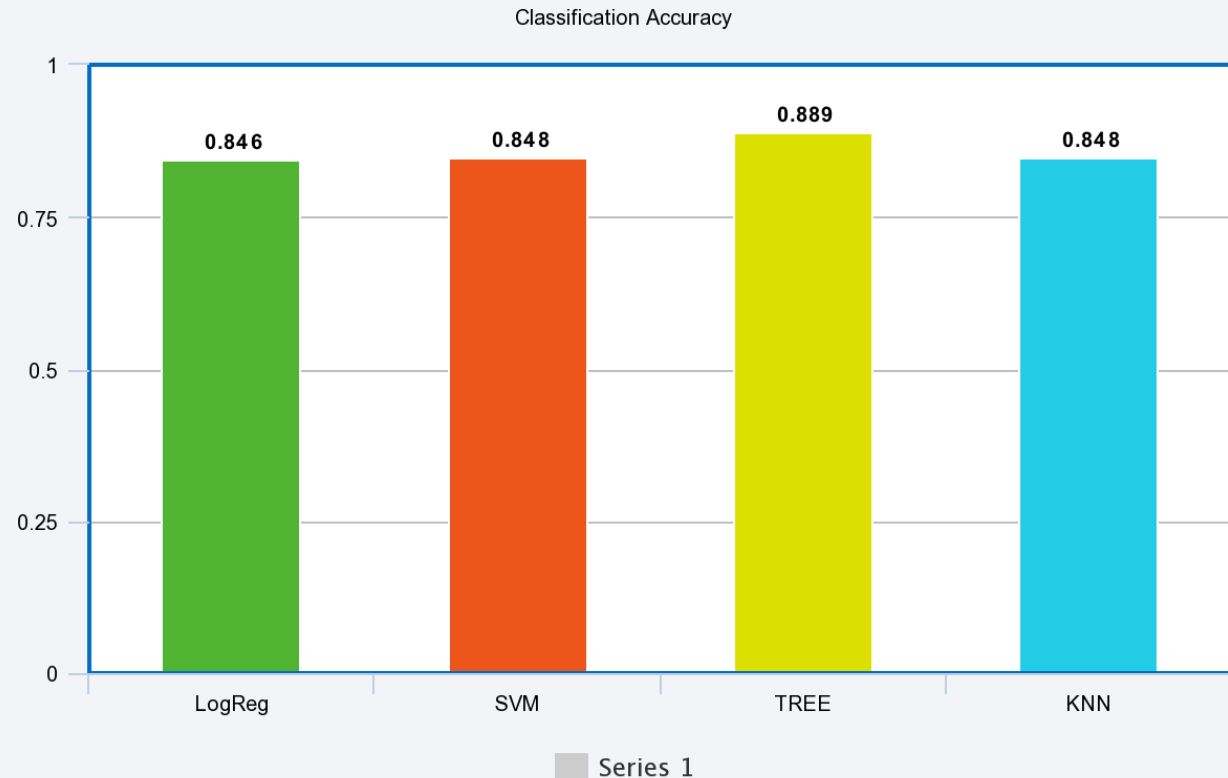
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# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

# Classification Accuracy

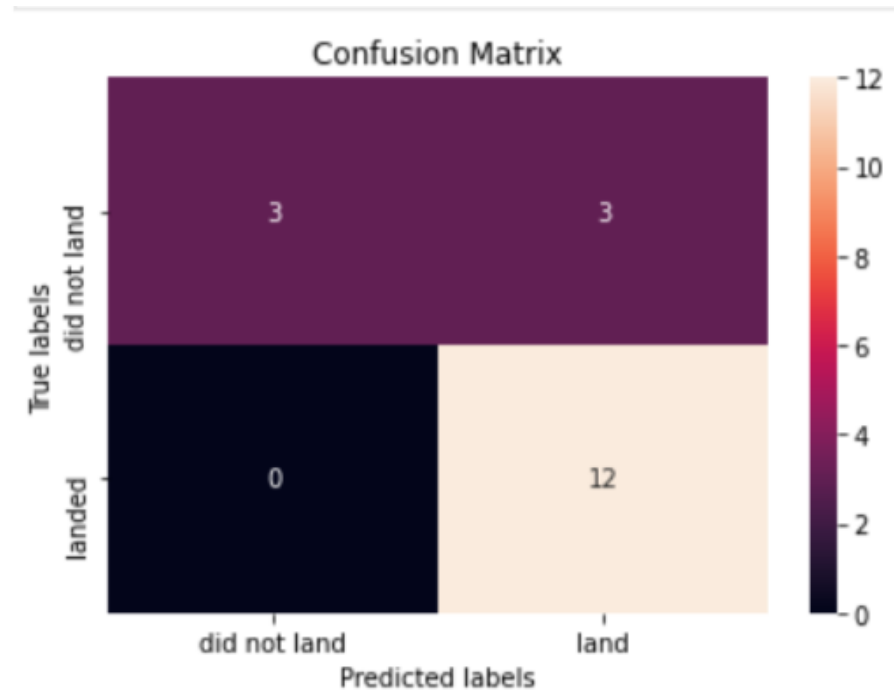
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Decision Tree has the highest classification accuracy



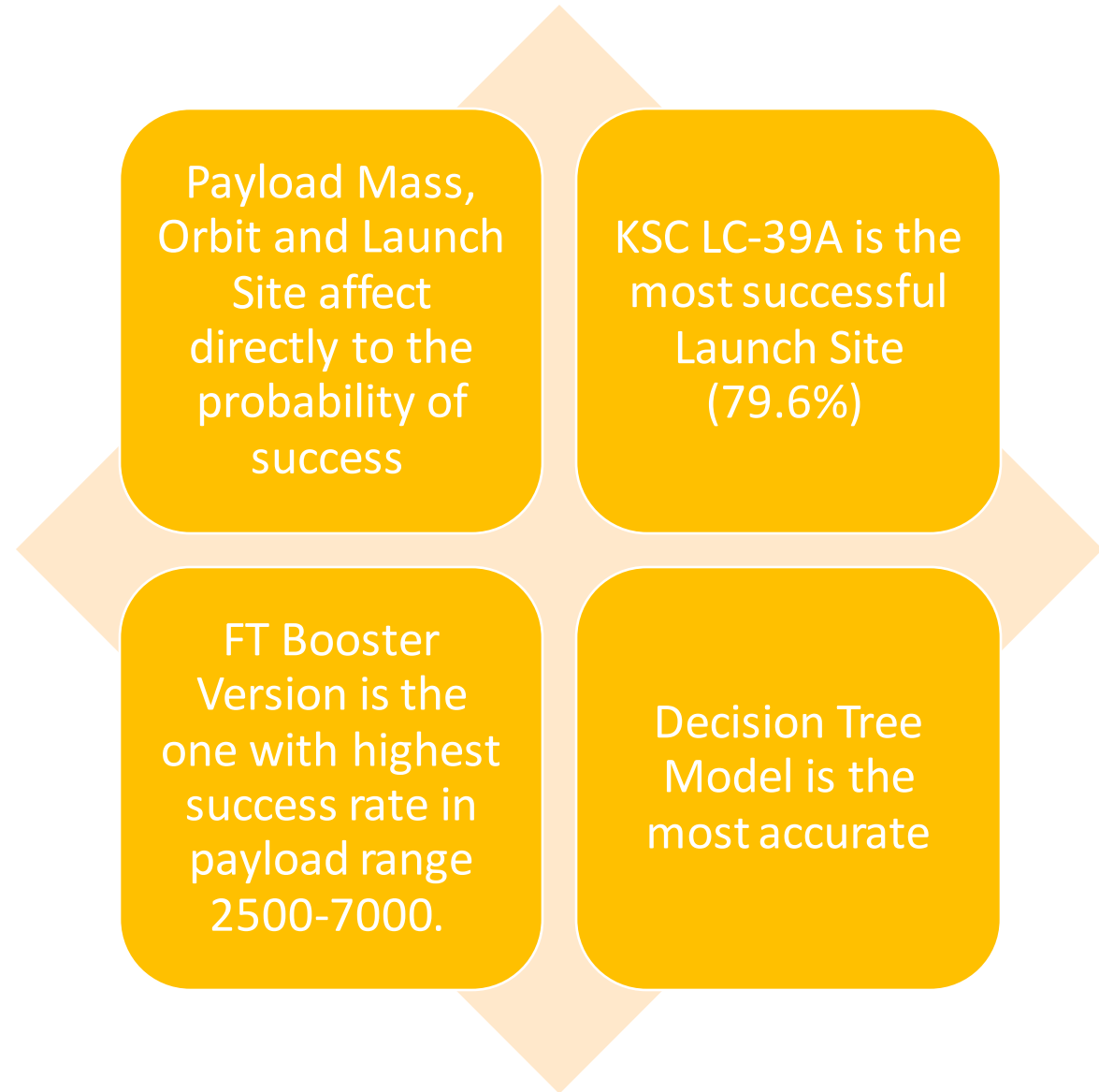
# Confusion Matrix

- The model predicted: 3 launches as not landed and 15 as landed
- Whereas true labels shows: 6 of them unsuccessfully landed and 12 did it with success.
- PRECISION: 0.5
- RECALL: 1
- ACURRANCY: 0.8334





# Conclusion





# Appendix

Model	Best Parameters	Score	Accuracy
Log Reg	<code>{'C': 0.01, 'penalty': 'l2', 'solver': 'lbfgs'}</code>	0.83	0.846
SVM	<code>{'C': 1.0, 'gamma': 0.03162277660168379, 'kernel': 'sigmoid'}</code>	0.83	0.848
DECISION TREE	<code>{'criterion': 'gini', 'max_depth': 4, 'max_features': 'sqrt', 'min_samples_leaf': 2, 'min_samples_split': 2, 'splitter': 'random'}</code>	0.83	0.889
KNN	<code>{'algorithm': 'auto', 'n_neighbors': 10, 'p': 1}</code>	0.83	0.848

Thank you!

