

IBM Capstone Prject – Landing of first Falcon 9 Rocket

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https://github.com/Marvin2108/IBM\_DataScience
\_Coursera.git

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**



- Goal: Prediction of successful landing of SpaceX first Falcon 9 rocket
- Used different typical Data Science methodologies such as
  - Web Scraping
  - Data Wrangling,
  - Exploratory Data Analysis with SQL
  - Train different ML models and evaluate them
- Finally, got a correct classification of 94 %

#### INTRODUCTION

- SpaceX 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 SpaceX can reuse the first stage.
- Therefore if the likelihood of the first stage rocket landing can be successfully predicted, the cost of a launch can be predicted. This information can be used if an alternate company wants to bid against SpaceX for a rocket launch

#### **METHODOLOGY**

- Data Collection
  - Data was collected using SpaceX API and web scraping from Wikipedia
- Data Wrangling
  - Performing One-hot-encoding
- Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) using SQL
- Performing predicitive analysis using classification models
  - Build, train and evaluate classification models
  - Logistic regression, SVM, Decision Trees, kNN

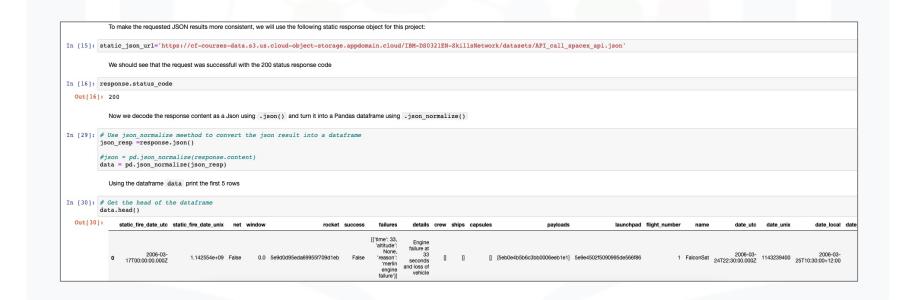


#### Data Collection

- The Data was collected using the SpaceX-API
- We decoded the response content of the API-request as a JSON and then turn it into a pd-DataFrame using .json normalize()
  - We then cleaned the data, checked for missing values and filled missing values
- Further, we used web scraping with BeautifulSoup
  - There, we extracted the launch records from HTML-tables and converted it to pandas DataFrame

### Data Collection / results

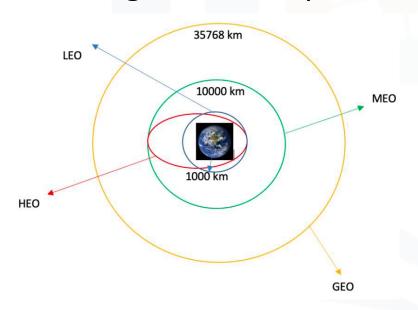
- Transformed the response from the get-request to pandas Dataframe using json\_normalize()-function
- Link to the notebook: https://github.com/Marvin2108/IBM DataScience Coursera/blob/master/Data%20Collection%20API%20Lab.ipynb





# Data Wrangling

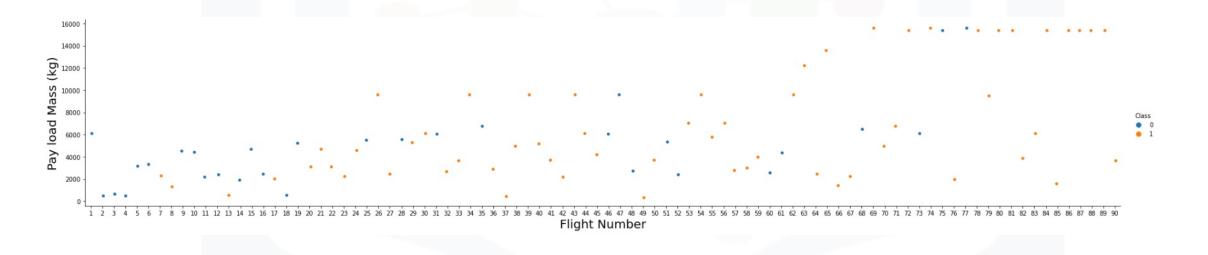
- We calculated number of launches at each site
- We created an outcome label from outcome column for the later training set and exported the result to csv



 Notebook: https://github.com/Marvin2108/IBM\_DataScience\_Cours era/blob/master/Data%20Wrangling.ipynb

# EDA & interactive visual analytics

• We explored the data by visualizing the relationship between flight number and launch Site, payload and launch site, success rate of each orbit type, flight number and orbit type, the launch success yearly trend.



#### EDA with SQL – results

- We created a DB2 table with IBM Cloud and saved the csvdataset generated before
- Then, we did some EDA with sqlalchemy in the notebook after we connected to the DB2 instance

# EDA with SQL – All unique launch sites

#### Display the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission

# 0 KSC LC-39A1 CCAFS LC-402 CCAFS SLC-403 VAFB SLC-4E

### EDA with SQL – Launch site beginning with CCA



Displayed only five first records

# EDA with SQL — Total Payload Mass

Calculated sum with following query

45596

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

### EDA with SQL – Average Payload Mass F9 v.1.1

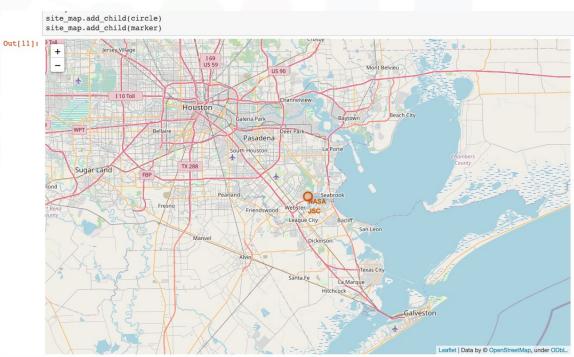
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Display average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
In [13]:
          task 4 = '''
                   SELECT AVG(PayloadMassKG) AS Avg PayloadMass
                   FROM SpaceX
                   WHERE BoosterVersion = 'F9 v1.1'
           create pandas df(task 4, database=conn)
Out[13]:
             avg_payloadmass
                      2928.4
```

# EDA with SQL – First successful landing date

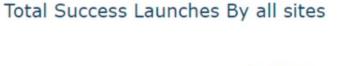
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In [14]:
                   SELECT MIN(Date) AS FirstSuccessfull landing date
                   FROM SpaceX
                   WHERE LandingOutcome LIKE 'Success (ground pad)'
           create pandas df(task 5, database=conn)
            firstsuccessfull_landing_date
Out[14]:
                           2015-12-22
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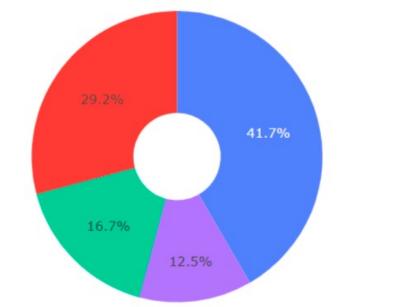
# Interactive map result

 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.



#### Dashboard with dash results

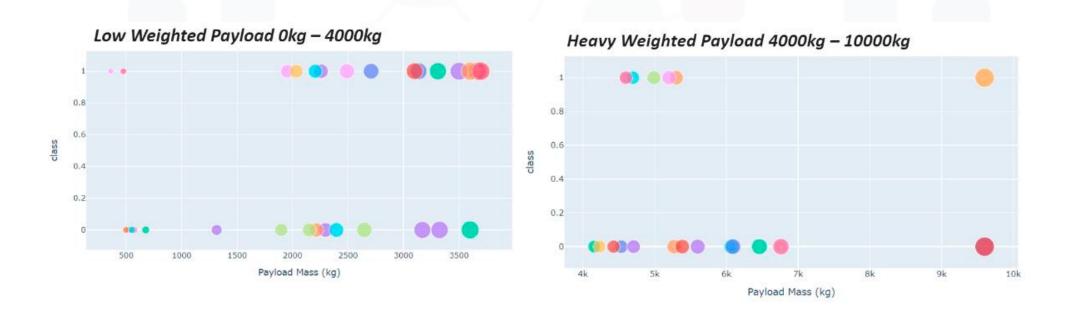




We can see that KSC LC-39A had the most successful launches from all the sites

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

#### Dashboard with dash results



We can see the success rates for low weighted payloads is higher than the heavy weighted payloads

# Predictive analysis results

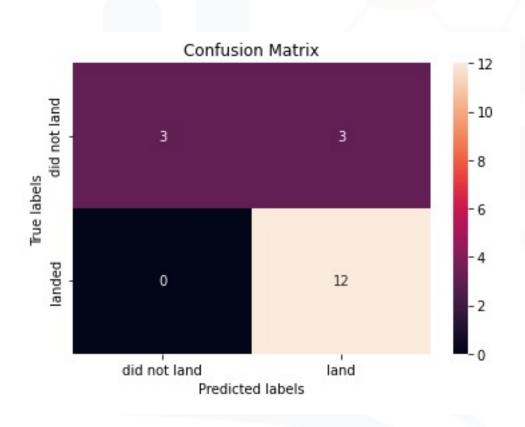
- We trained some classification models based on the train set and evaluated them based on test set
- Notebook: https://github.com/Marvin2108/IBM\_DataScience\_Coursera/blob/master/Predictive%20Analysis%20Falcon%209%20SpaceX.ipynb

#### E.g. SVM-Classifier

#### Score of all models



#### Confusion Matrix - SVM



 This Matrix of the SVM classifier shows that it can distinguish between a successful and an unsuccessful landing

#### CONCLUSION



- The larger the flight amount at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site.
- KSC LC-39A had the most successful launches of any sites.
- The Decision Tree is the best classifier to predict the successful landing, i.e. the costs of a Falcon 9 first Rocket