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Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

- Summary of methodologies
- Summary of all results

Introduction

Context

- SpaceY cost advantages depends primarily on its ability to reuse the first stage
- Predicting if a first stage is going to land safely is critical

Objectives:

- Find key characteristics of that share boosters with successful recoveries
- Given the characteristics of new rocket determine if its going to be recovered

Section 1

Methodology

Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Directly from SpaceX API
 - By web scrapping Wikipedia data
- Perform data wrangling
 - Lightly analysis of the data and creation of a binary value for the outcome of the recovery
- 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

Data was collected from two sources:

SpaceX API:

Request calls using python request library

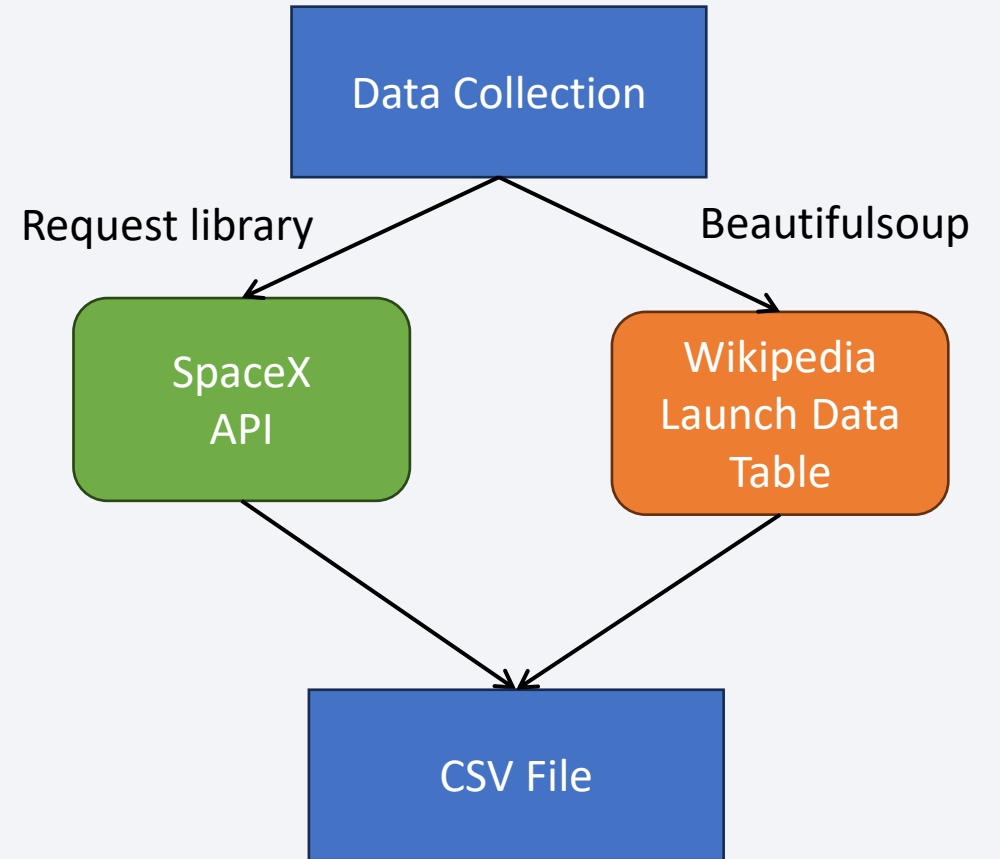
Data obtained: Place of launch, booster version, etc.

Wiki webscapping

Requesting wiki .json with requests

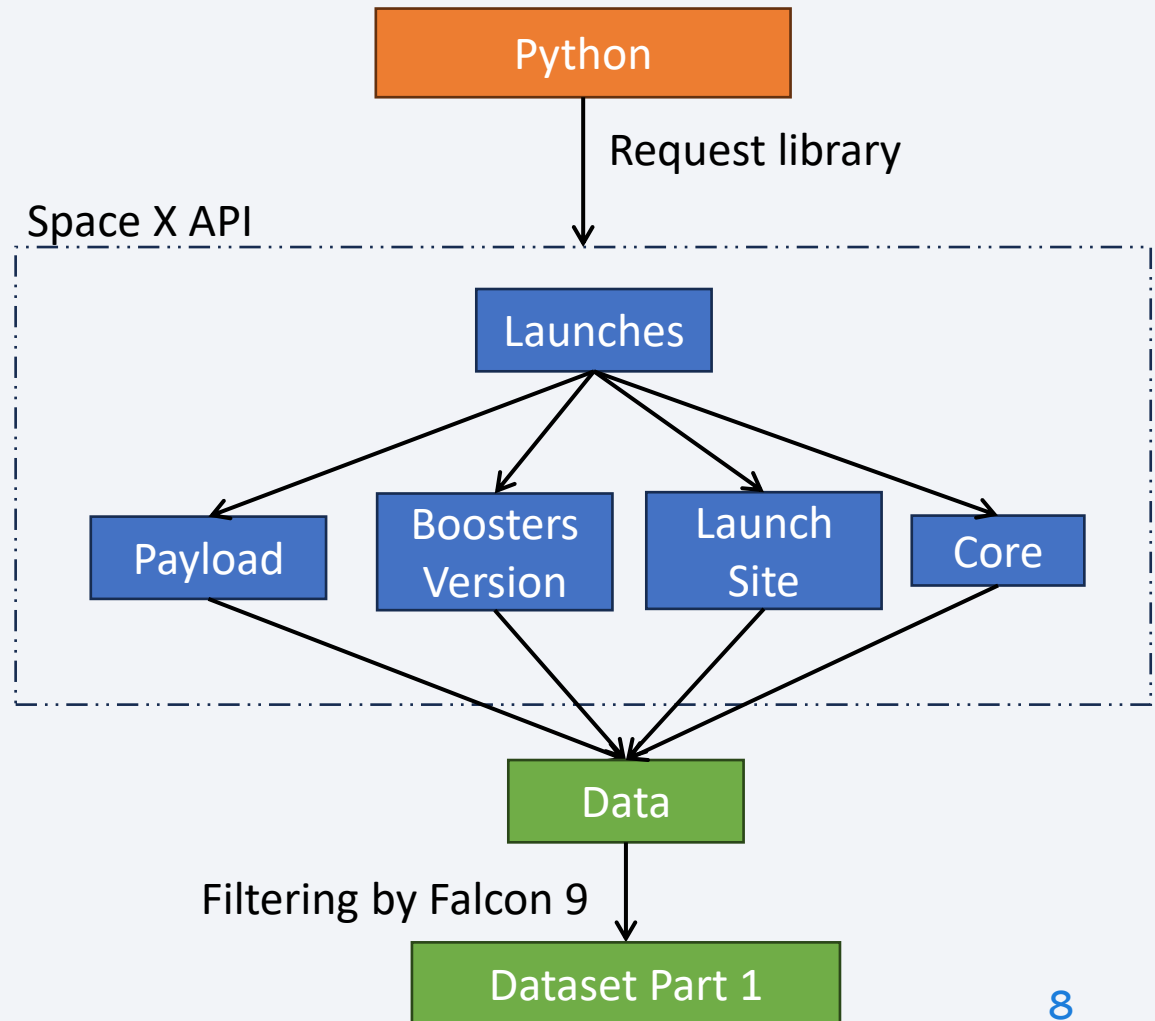
And scrapping with beautifulsoup

Data obtained: date, successful or not, ect.



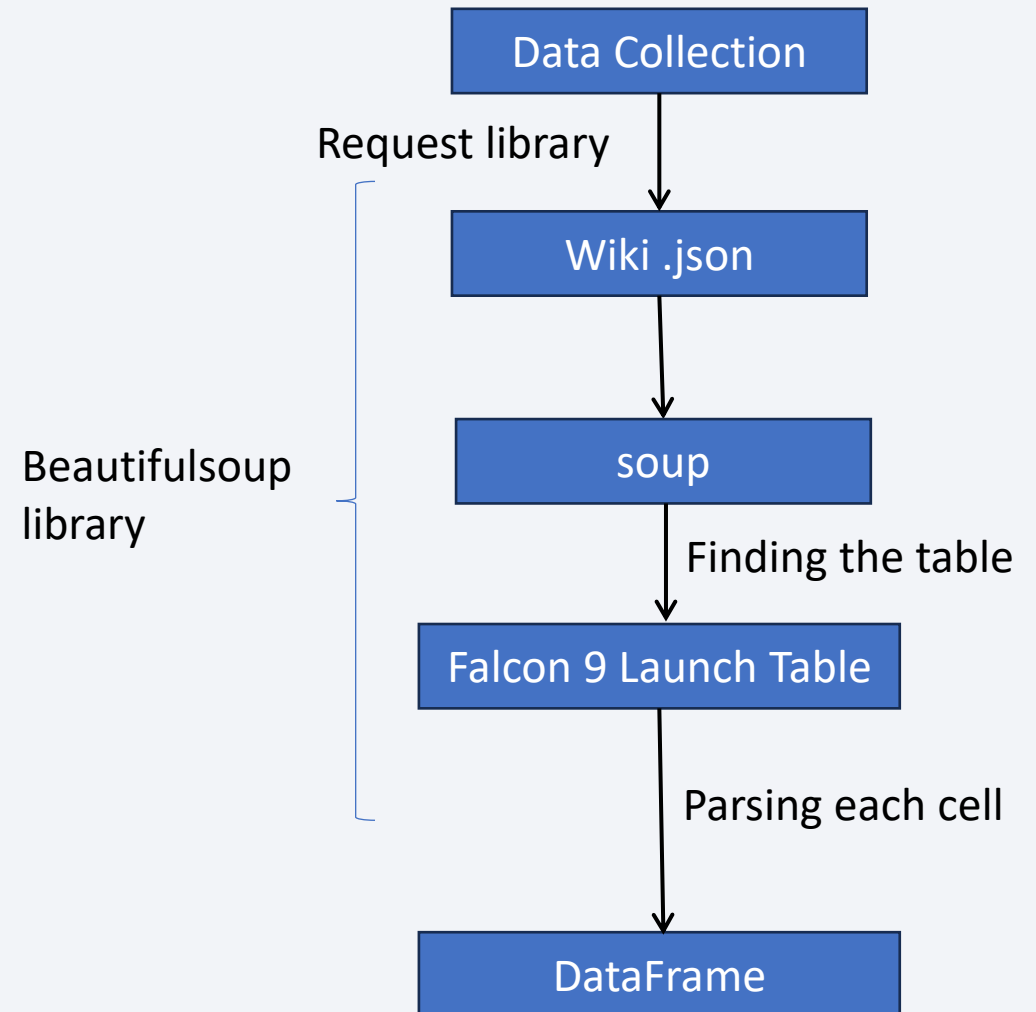
Data Collection – SpaceX API

- Data collected in multiple sources references through ids
- https://github.com/RLarrubia/SpaceX_ML_project/blob/main/jupyter-labs-spacex-data-collection-api.ipynb



Data Collection - Scraping

- Acquireing the .json file from request to wiki web pag
- Creating a soup with BeautifulSoup library
- Parsing the content of Falcon 9 Launching Data into a DataFrame
- https://github.com/RLarrubia/SpaceX_ML_project/blob/main/jupyter-labs-webscraping.ipynb



Data Wrangling

- 1. Analysing missing values
- 2. Analysing Data Types
- 3. Studying occurrence of values such as orbit and launching sites
- 4. Creating a binary feature to be predicted for the outcome
- https://github.com/RLarrubia/SpaceX_ML_project/blob/main/labs-jupyter-spacex-Data%20wrangling-v2.ipynb

EDA with Data Visualization

- Charts used:
 - Scatter plots: to show relationship between to numerical variables and discover patterns
 - Bar plots: to show the success rate for different categories (launch sites)
 - Line plot: to represent the trend of success rate over time
- https://github.com/RLarrubia/SpaceX_ML_project/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-dataviz-v2.ipynb

EDA with SQL

- Converting the previous data into a database and accessing through sql in python with sql magic command
- Used to explore the data:
 - Retrieve Unique Launch Sites:
 - Filter Launches by Site Name Prefix ('CCA')
 - Calculate Total Payload Mass
 - Identify First Successful Ground Pad Landing
 - Rank Landing Outcomes Between Two Dates

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Build an Interactive Map with Folium

Data displayed on maps to see visually:

- **Markers** for launches in each location
- **Circles** to mark launching sites
- **Lines** for distances between launching sites and relevant points
- https://github.com/RLarrubia/SpaceX_ML_project/blob/main/lab-jupyter-launch-site-location-v2.ipynb

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- Pie charts:
 - To show the percentage of flight in each location site
 - The successful rate in each location
- Scatter plots:
 - To show success rate with the mass of the launcher and with the booster version for different payload ranges

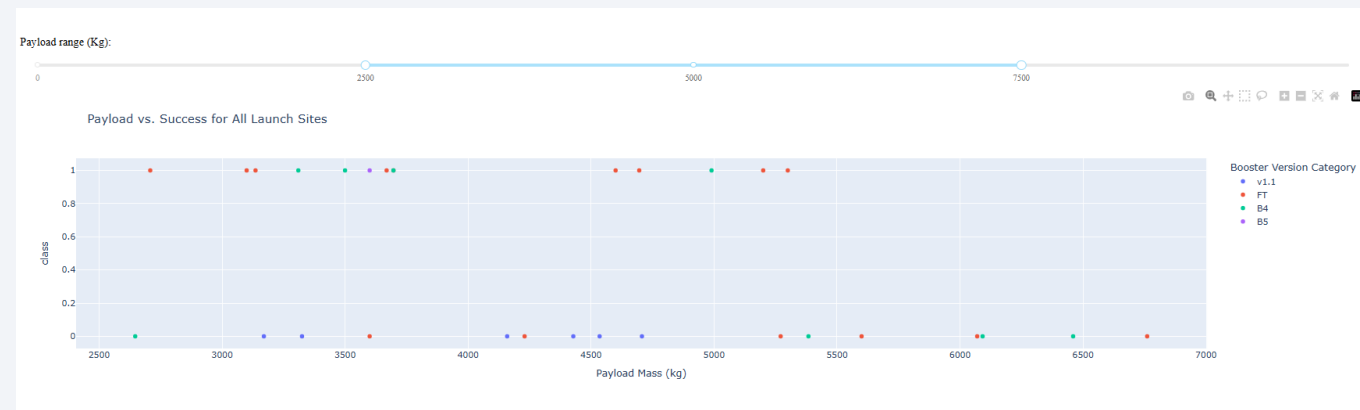
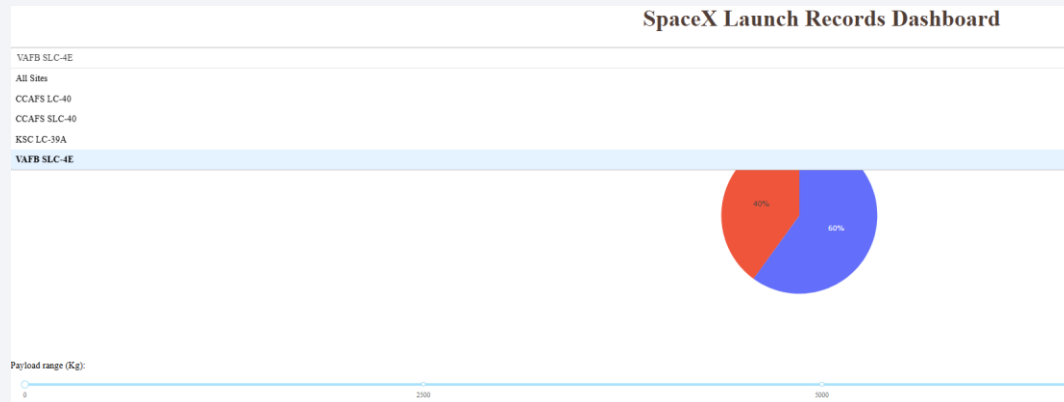
https://github.com/RLarrubia/SpaceX_ML_project/blob/main/spacex_dash_app.py

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- Using ML classification models to predict the outcome of a launch given a series of properties of the launcher and the mission
- First splitting 80% of the data for train
- Using GridSearch to tune the hyperparameters with crossvalidation in 10 folds
- Tried different models:
 - Logistic regression
 - SVM
 - Decision Trees
 - KNN
- Using accuracy to determine best model
- https://github.com/RLarrubia/SpaceX_ML_project/blob/main/SpaceX-Machine-Learning-Prediction-Part-5-v1.ipynb

Results

- Most landings occur in Cape Canaveral Launch Site with more success rate
- All models tried and tuned achieved similar results of accuracy over the test set around 83%

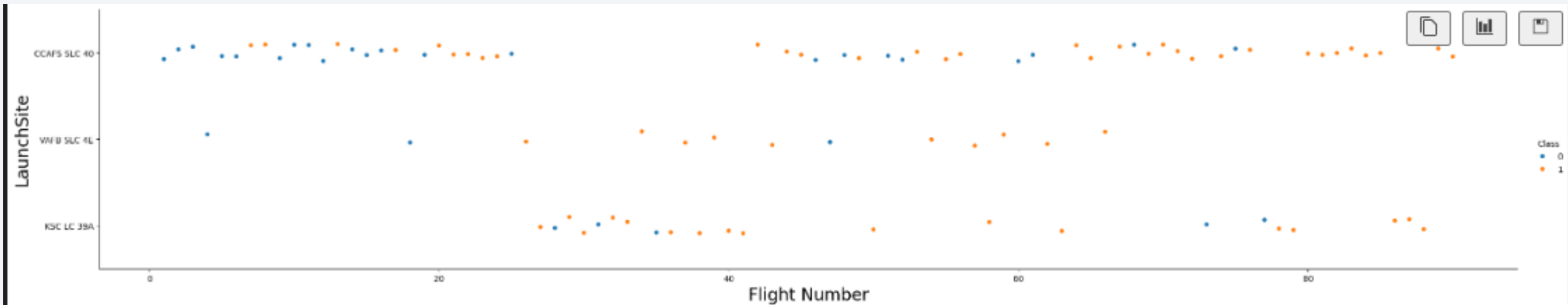


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Section 2

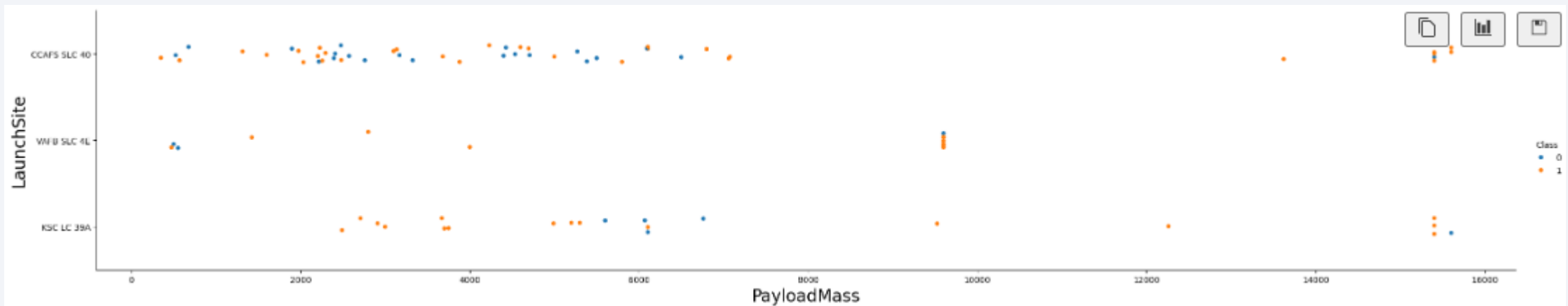
Insights drawn from EDA

Flight Number vs. Launch Site



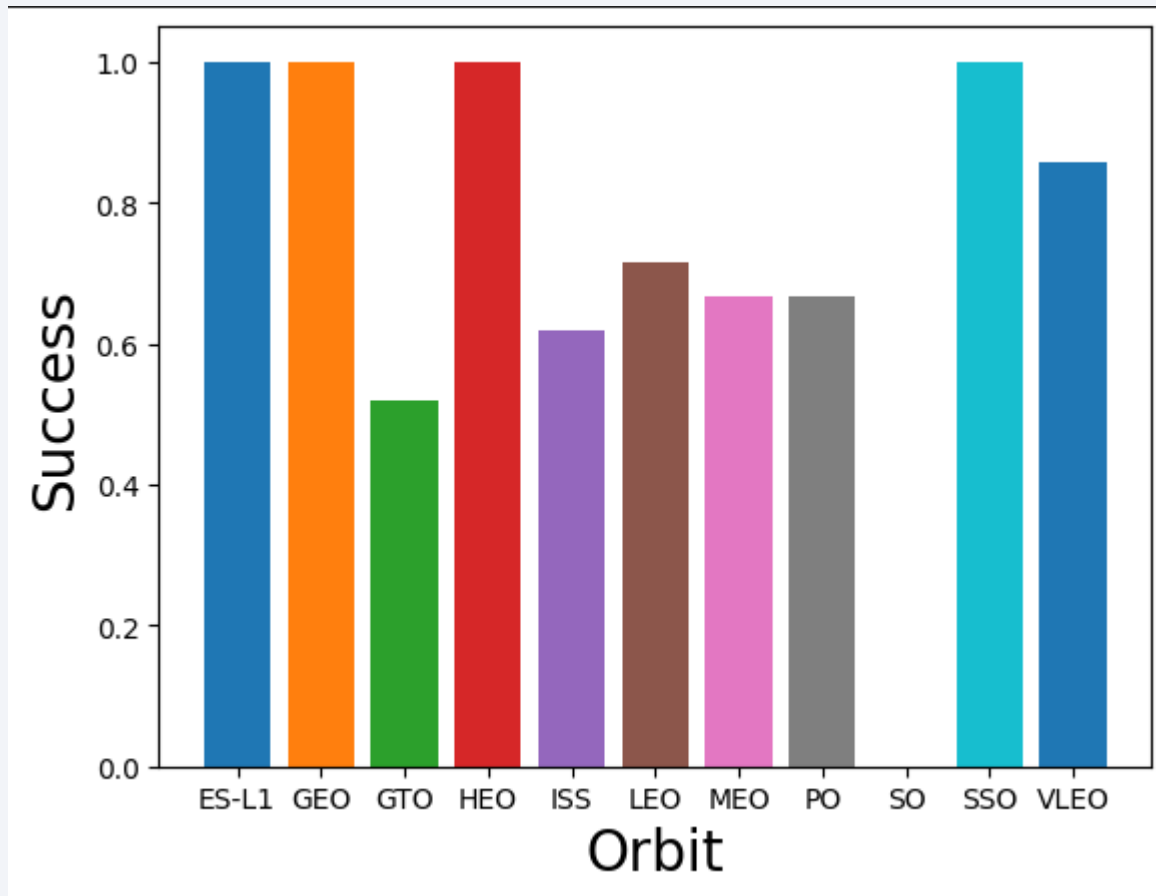
- Most in Cabe Canaberal with more success rate
- Rest less launches and less success rate, similar between them

Payload vs. Launch Site



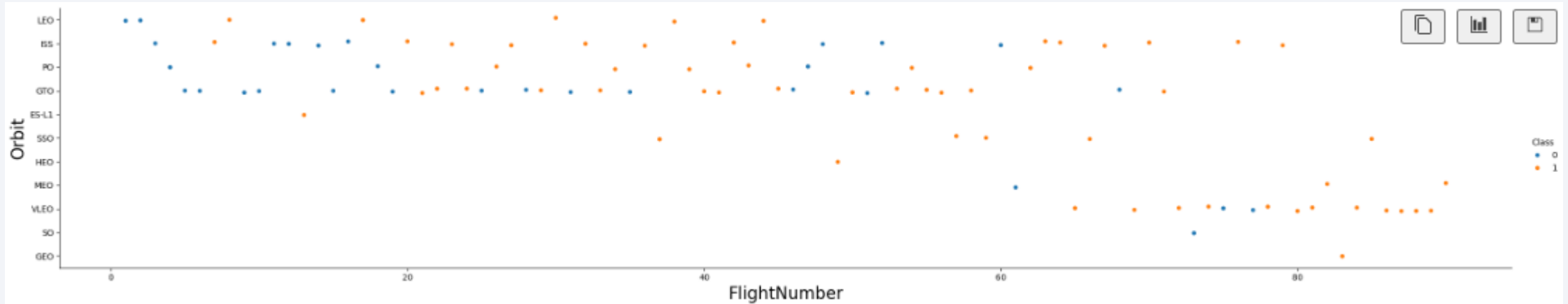
- No heavy launches on VAFB
- Canaveral Cape has a significant launches for light launches with diverse success rate
- KSC has high success rate for lightweight launches

Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



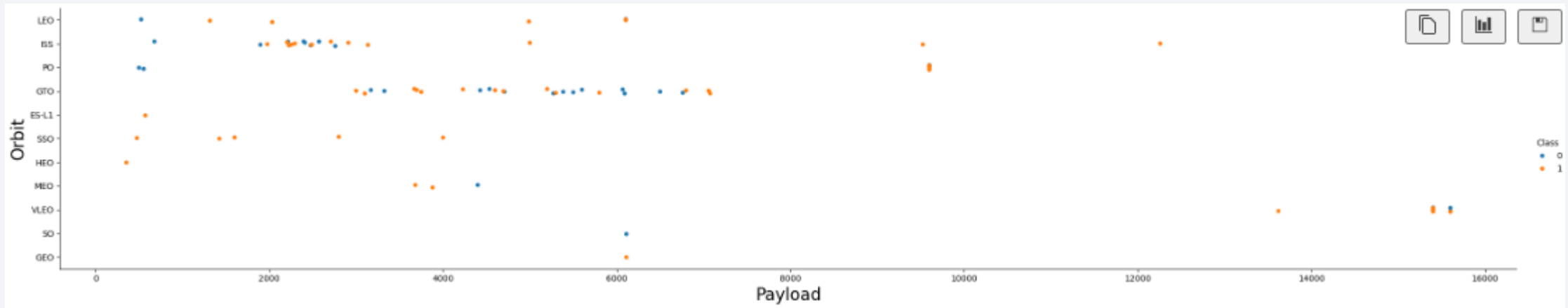
- High Success rate in ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO and VLEO

Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



- LEO orbit gets higher success rate with time (Flight Number)
- Others like GTO do not show a clear pattern

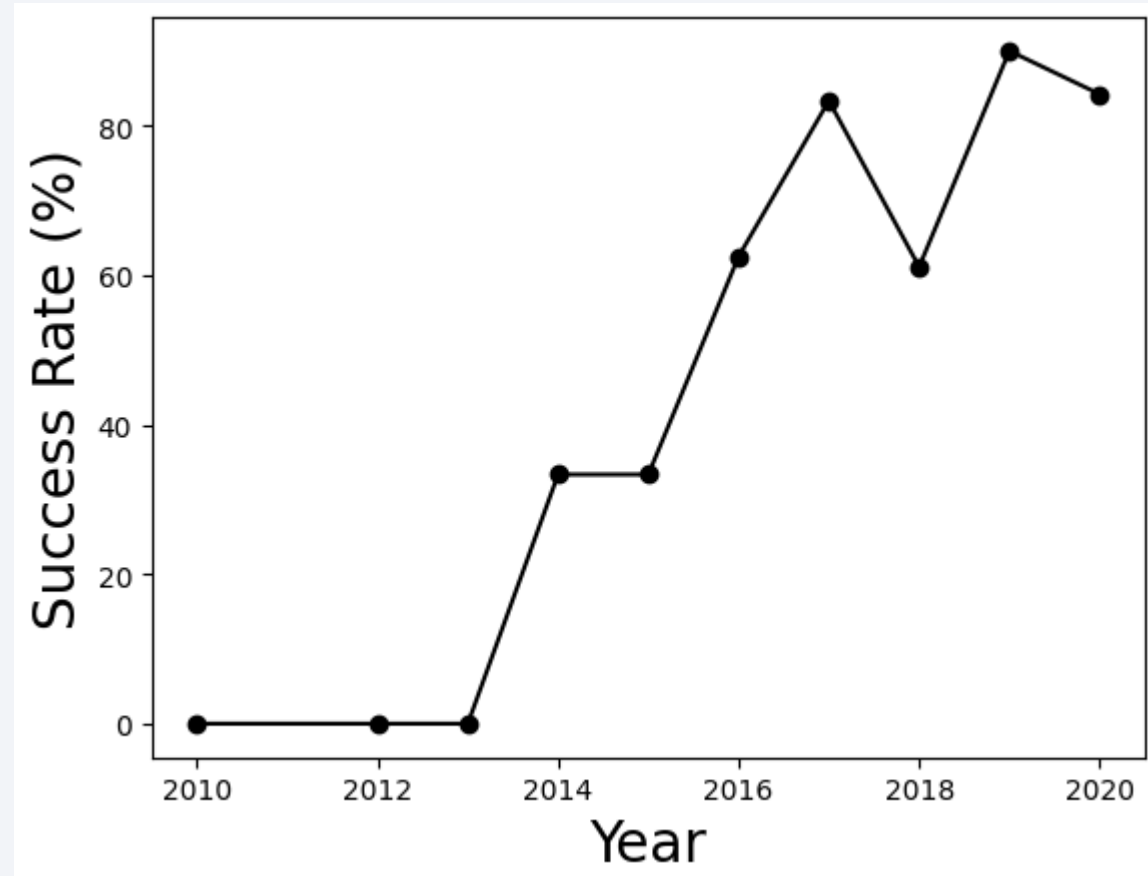
Payload vs. Orbit Type



- With heavy payloads the successful landing or positive landing rate are more for Polar, LEO and ISS.
- For others there is not a clear pattern

Launch Success Yearly Trend

- The success rate has improved significantly over time
- Not having achieved any success before 2013



All Launch Site Names

Codes for the different launch sites:

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

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

| 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 | 7:44:00 | F9 v1.0 B0005 | CCAFS LC-40 | Dragon demo flight C2 | 525 | LEO (ISS) | NASA (COTS) | Success | No attempt |
| 2012-10-08 | 0:35:00 | 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

Total_Payload
619967

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

Total_Payload_Mass_F9

2534.6666666666665

First Successful Ground Landing Date

First_Successful_Ground_Pad_Landing

2015-12-22

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload 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

| Mission_Outcome | Total |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Failure (in flight) | 1 |
| Success | 98 |
| Success | 1 |
| Success (payload status unclear) | 1 |

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

| Booster_Version | PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_ |
|-----------------|------------------|
| F9 B5 B1048.4 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1049.4 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1051.3 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1056.4 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1048.5 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1051.4 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1049.5 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1060.2 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1058.3 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1051.6 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1060.3 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1049.7 | 15600 |

2015 Launch Records

| Month_Name | Landing_Outcome | Booster_Version | Launch_Site |
|------------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| January | Failure (drone ship) | F9 v1.1 B1012 | CCAFS LC-40 |
| April | Failure (drone ship) | F9 v1.1 B1015 | CCAFS LC-40 |

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

| Landing_Outcome | Outcome_Count |
|------------------------|---------------|
| No attempt | 10 |
| Success (drone ship) | 5 |
| Failure (drone ship) | 5 |
| Success (ground pad) | 3 |
| Controlled (ocean) | 3 |
| Uncontrolled (ocean) | 2 |
| Failure (parachute) | 2 |
| Precluded (drone ship) | 1 |

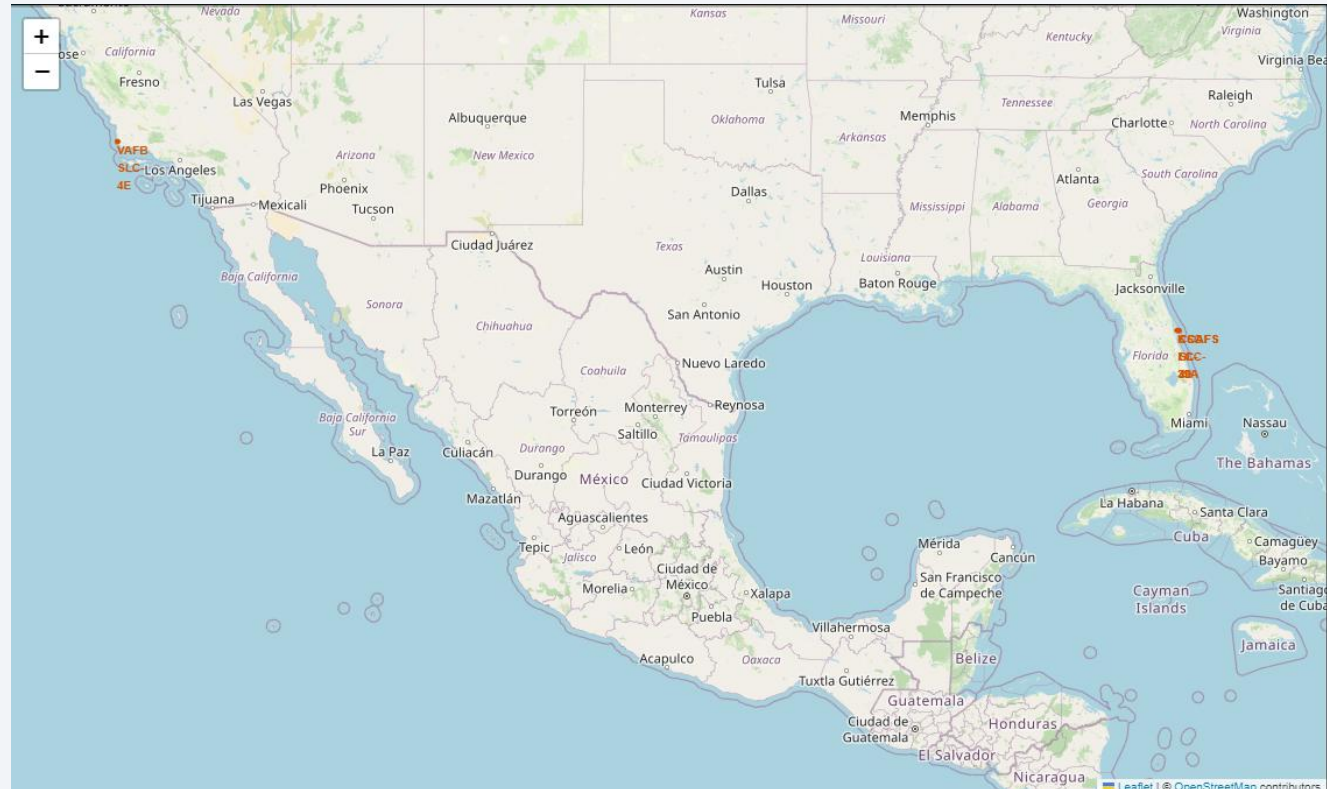
A satellite view of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and city lights at night. The background is a deep blue gradient.

Section 3

Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

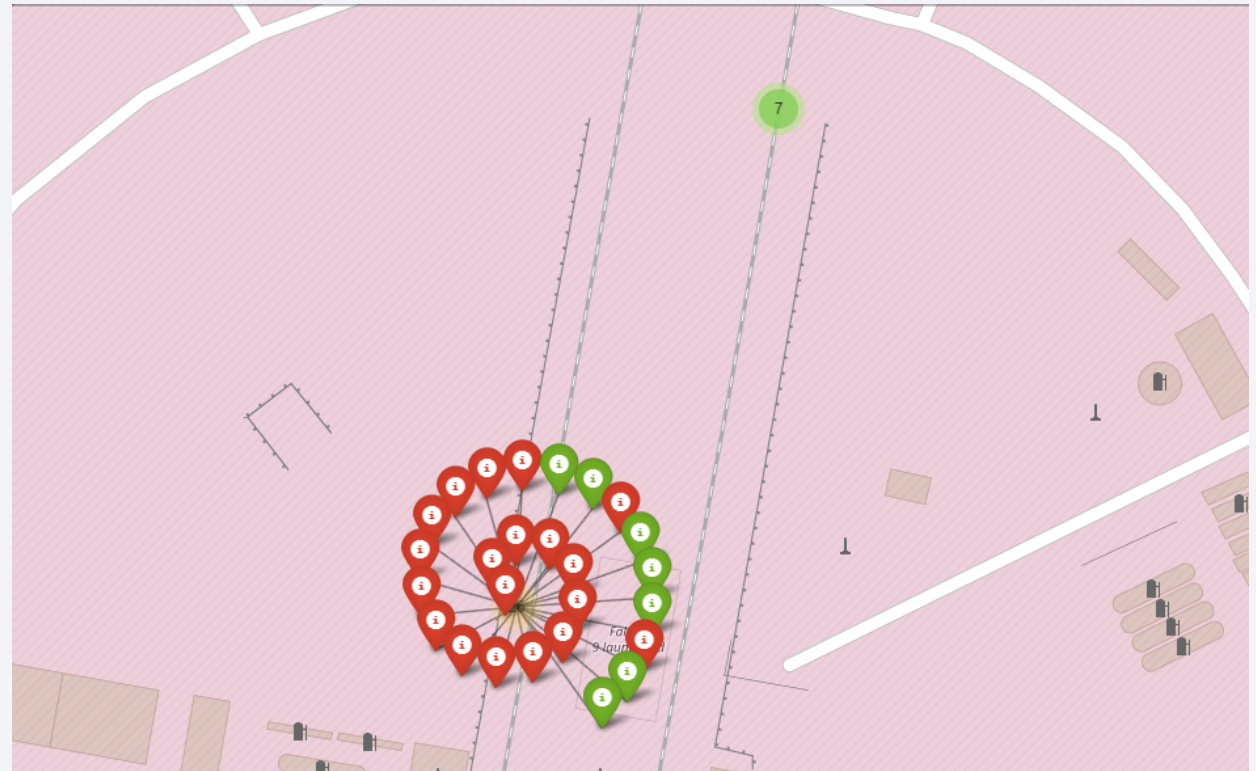
Location of the different launch sites

- 3 in Florida
- 1 in California
- Close to the equator (in the US)
- Close to the coast
- In both coast for different orbits



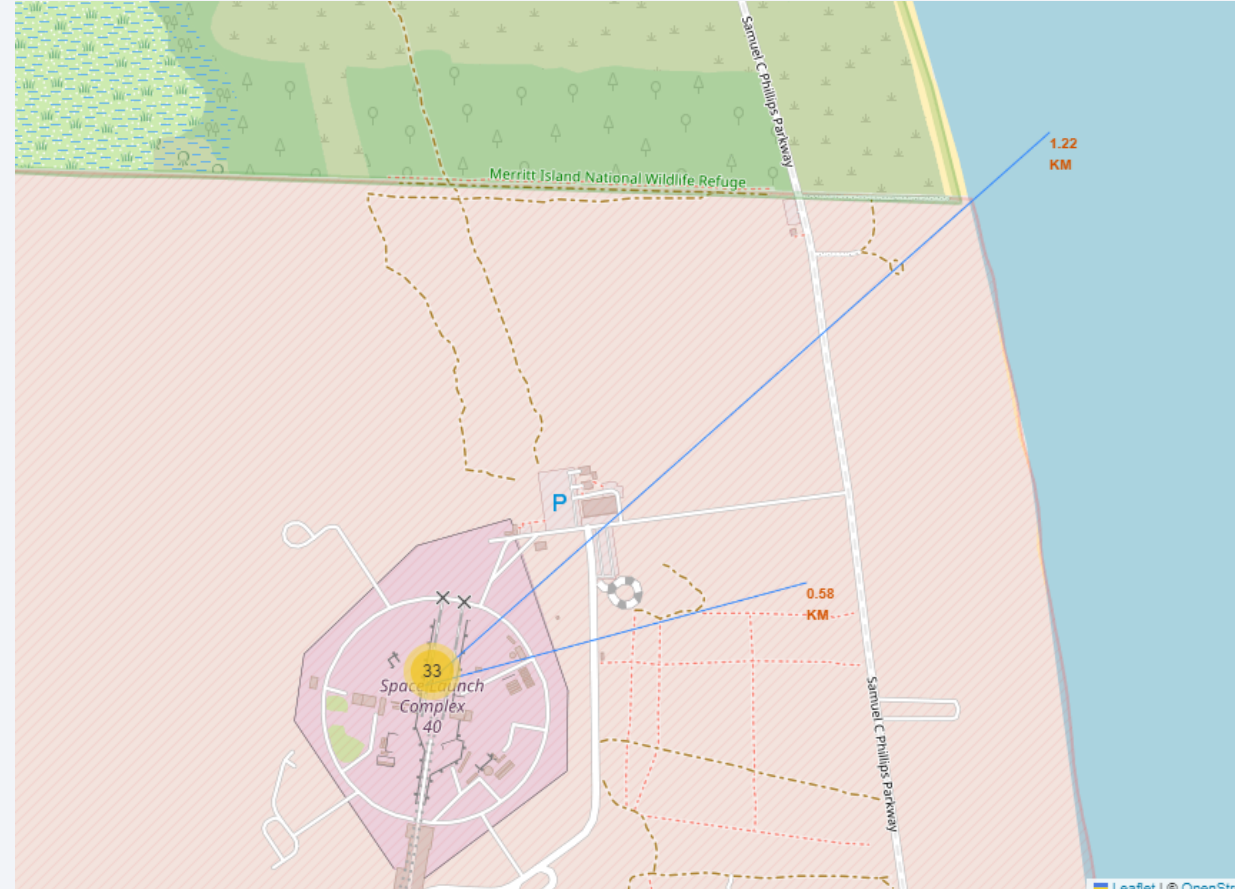
Successful missions in Canaveral Cape

- Successful landings in green
- Unsuccessful in red
- Clusters grouping launches



Coast proximity to Canaveral Cape

- Canaveral Cape around 1km from the coastline



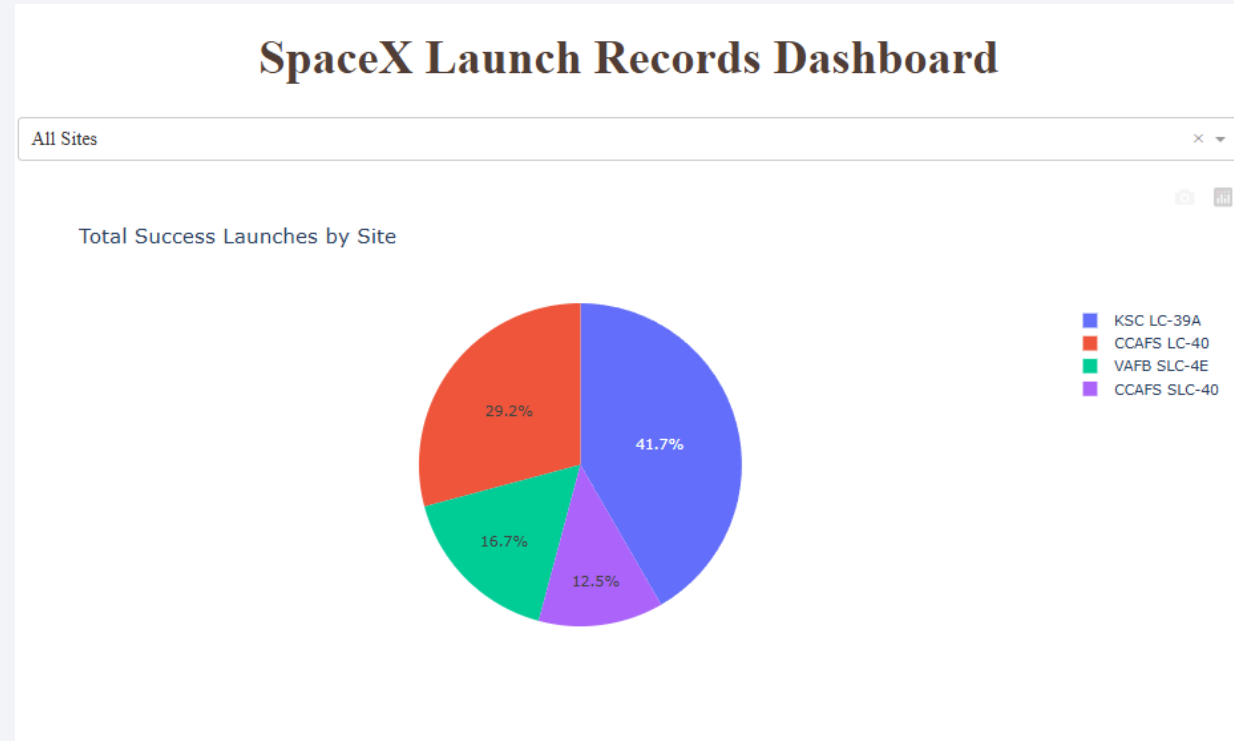


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Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

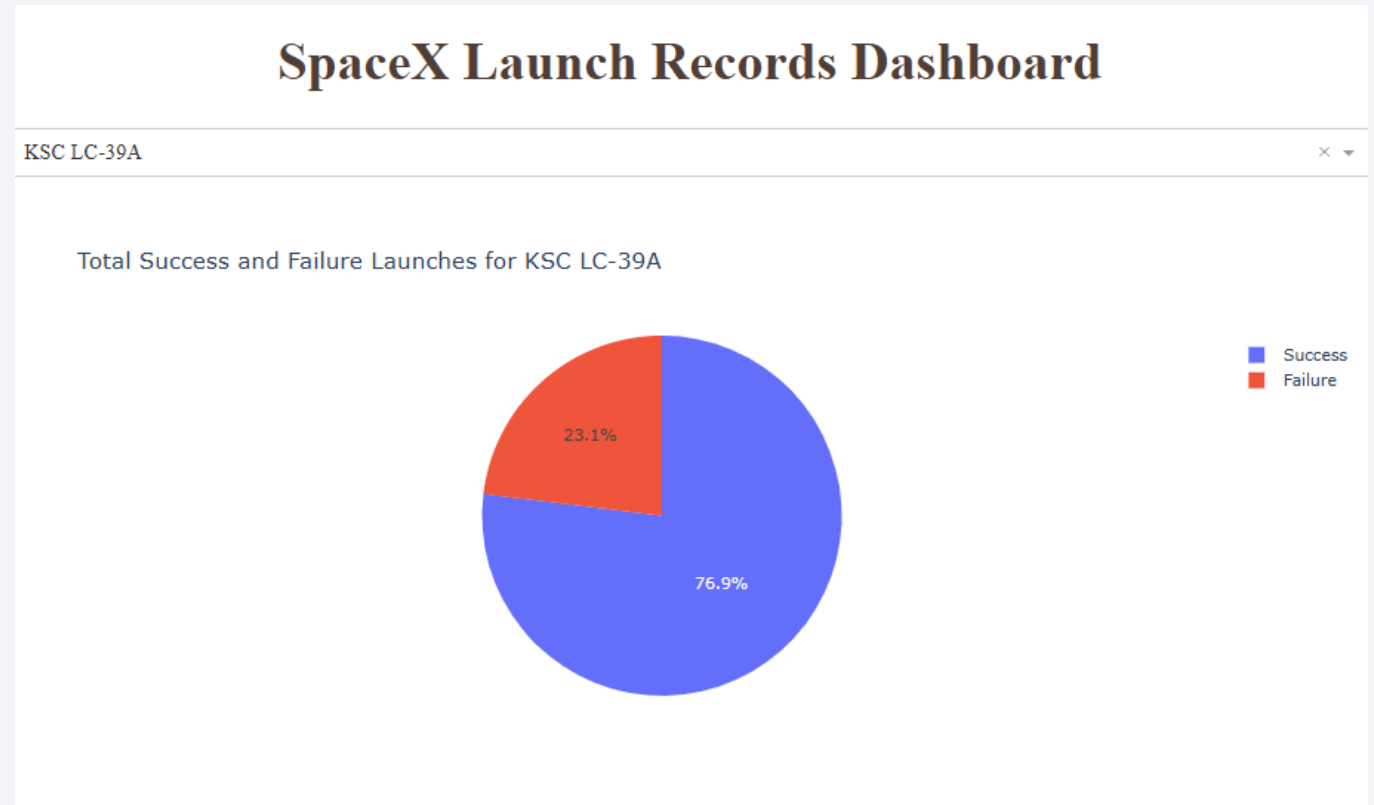
Total Success Launches by Site

- Canaveral Cape has the highest success landing returns rates in its 3 facilities
- Highest in KSC LC 39A



Success distribution in KSC LC-39A

- Around 80% of success rate



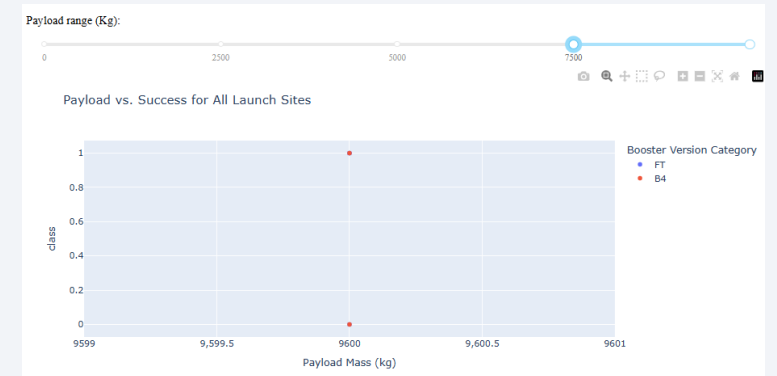
Successful returns with payload



Lightweight launches



Medium weight launches



Heavyweight launches

- Light and medium weight launches are more common
- Heavy weight can only be performed with a few boosters
- Correlation is unclear between weight and successful return of booster stage

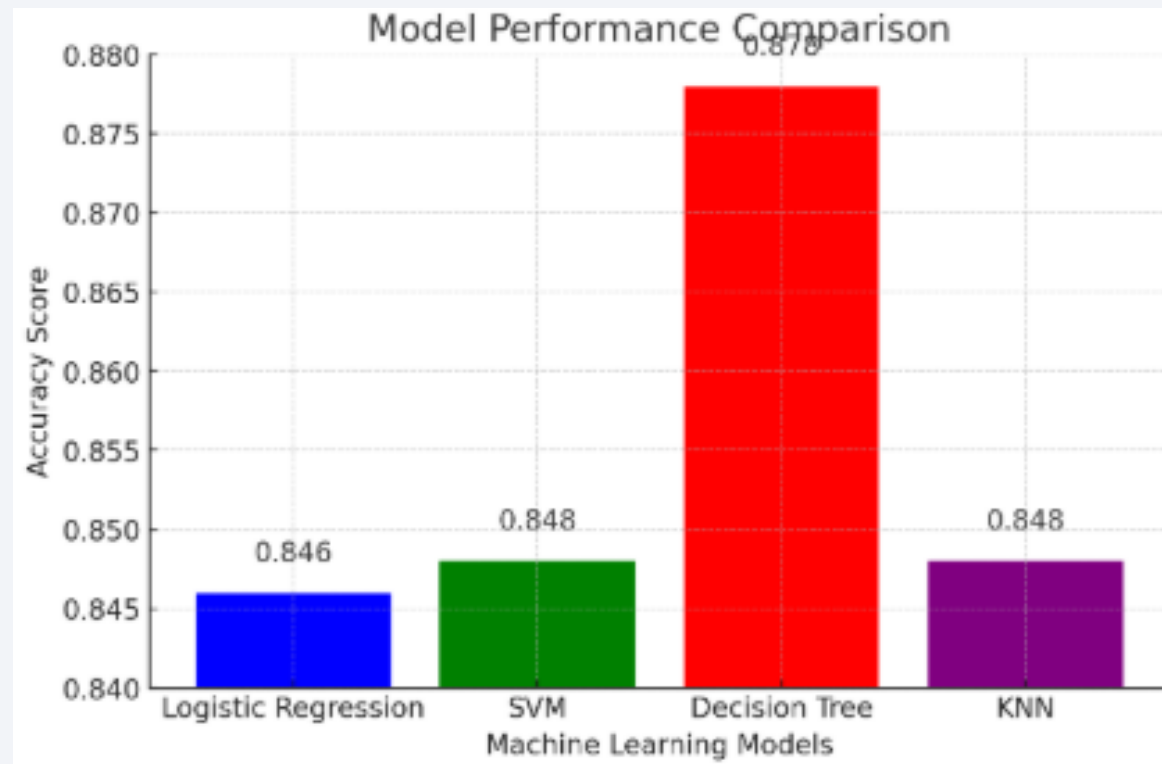


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Predictive Analysis (Classification)

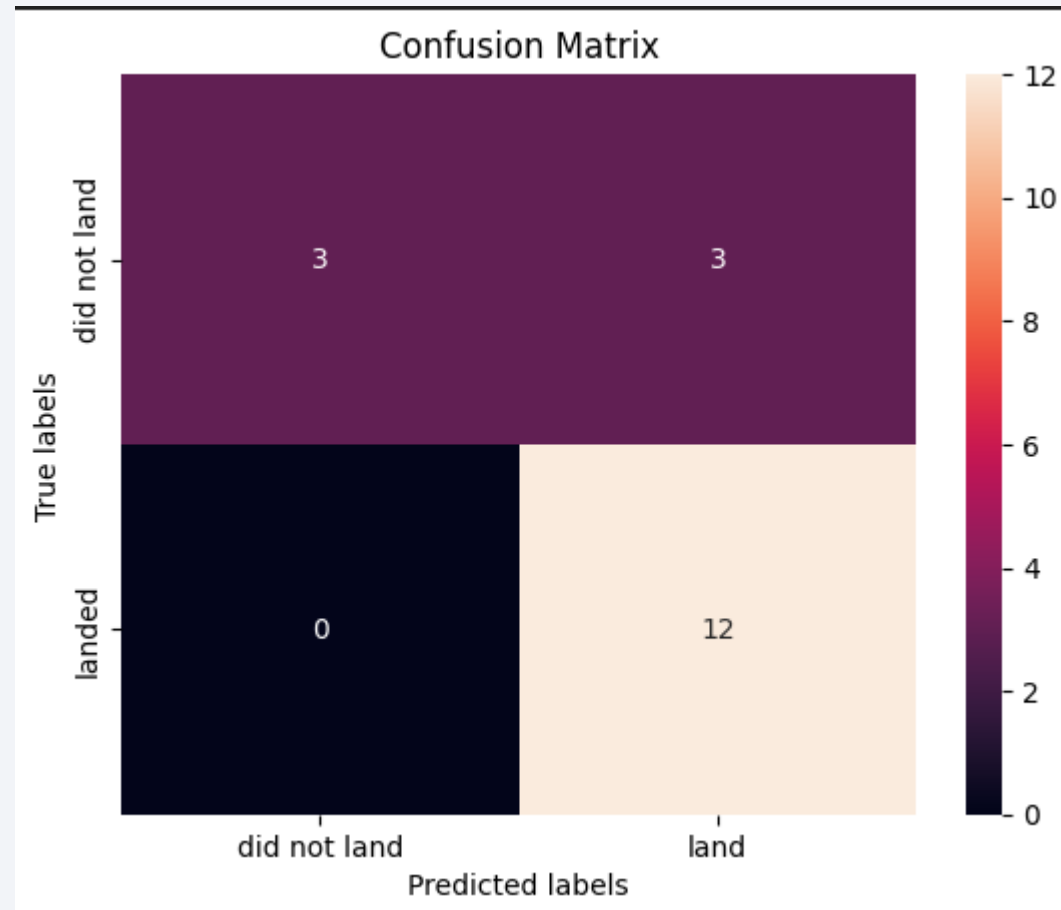
Classification Accuracy

- Best model Decision tree with score of 83% on test set and 88% on test set
- All models achieved the same accuracy on train set 83%



Confusion Matrix

- 3 True negatives
- 12 True positives
- 3 False positives
- 0 False negatives



Conclusions

- Florida Launching sites are more popular probably due to the fact that most orbit are prograde and launching from the east benefits earths rotation
- East side launches are more probable to be returned
- ML classification models can be built to predict the return of the booster with an accuracy of 83%

Appendix

- `import matplotlib.pyplot as plt`
- `models = ['Logistic Regression', 'SVM', 'Decision Tree', 'KNN']`
- `scores = [0.846, 0.848, 0.878, 0.848]` # Create bar chart `plt.figure(figsize=(8,5))`
- `plt.bar(models, scores, color=['blue', 'green', 'red', 'purple'])`
- `plt.xlabel("Machine Learning Models")`
- `plt.ylabel("Accuracy Score")`
- `plt.title("Model Performance Comparison")`
- `plt.ylim(0.84, 0.88)` # Adjust y-axis range for better visibility
- `for i, v in enumerate(scores): plt.text(i, v + 0.002, str(v), ha='center', fontsize=12)`
- `plt.show()`

Thank you!

