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Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

Summary of methodologies

- Data collection Via API
- Web Scraping
- SQL
- Interactive Map with Folium
- Creating Dashboard with Plotly
- Predictive Analysis

Summary of all results

- Exploratory Data Analysis results
- Interactive Map
- Predictive results

Introduction

- **Project background and context**

We will predict whether the Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully. SpaceX advertises Falcon 9 rocket launches on its website at a cost of \$62 million, while other providers charge upwards of \$165 million each. Much of the cost savings come from SpaceX's ability to reuse the first stage. Therefore, by determining if the first stage will land, we can estimate the cost of a launch. This information is valuable for other companies looking to compete with SpaceX for rocket launches. In this module, you will receive an overview of the problem and the tools necessary to achieve our goal.

- **Problems you want to find answers**

Is the first stage going to land successfully or not?

What attributes are correlated with successful landings?

What are the conditions which will allow SpaceX to achieve the best landing success rate ?

Section 1

Methodology

Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - SpaceX REST API
 - Web Scrapping
- Perform data wrangling
 - Dropping unnecessary columns
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models

Data Collection

We worked with SpaceX launch data obtained from the SpaceX REST API. This API provided information about launches, including rocket details, payloads, launch and landing specifications, and outcomes. Our objective was to predict whether SpaceX would attempt to land a rocket. The API's base URL was `api.spacexdata.com/v4/`, with endpoints such as `/capsules`, `/cores`, and `/launches/past`. We used the `requests` library to fetch past launch data, which was returned as a JSON list of launch objects. We converted this JSON data into a DataFrame using the `json_normalize` function for analysis.

Additionally, we used web scraping with the `BeautifulSoup` package to extract Falcon 9 launch data from HTML tables on relevant Wiki pages, converting them into Pandas DataFrames for further analysis. We aimed to transform raw data into a clean dataset, addressing data wrangling, sampling, and handling null values. For example, some columns contained ID numbers instead of detailed data, requiring additional API calls to endpoints like `Booster`, `Launchpad`, `Payload`, and `Core`. We filtered out Falcon 1 launches and handled null values, particularly in the `PayloadMass` column, by replacing them with the column's mean value. The `LandingPad` column was dealt with using one-hot encoding later.

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

```
launch_dict = {'FlightNumber': list(data['flight_number']),  
               'Date': list(data['date']),  
               'BoosterVersion': BoosterVersion,  
               'PayloadMass': PayloadMass,  
               'Orbit': Orbit,  
               'LaunchSite': LaunchSite,  
               'Outcome': Outcome,  
               'Flights': Flights,  
               'GridFins': GridFins,  
               'Reused': Reused,  
               'Legs': Legs,  
               'LandingPad': LandingPad,  
               'Block': Block,  
               'ReusedCount': ReusedCount,  
               'Serial': Serial,  
               'Longitude': Longitude,  
               'Latitude': Latitude}
```

5. Create dataframe

```
data = pd.DataFrame.from_dict(launch_dict)
```

6. Filter dataframe

```
data_falcon9 = data[data['BoosterVersion']!='Falcon 1']
```

7. Export to file

```
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.findAll('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 irrelevant 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.findAll):
    # get table row
    for rows in table.findAll("tr"):
        # check to see if first table heading is a
        if rows.th:
            if rows.th.string:
                flight_number = rows.th.string.strip()
                flag = flight_number.isdigit()
```

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 successfully. • 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.

1. Calculate launches number for each site

```
df['LaunchSite'].value_counts()
```

```
CCAFS SLC 40    55
KSC LC 39A      22
VAFB SLC 4E     13
Name: LaunchSite, dtype: int64
```

2. Calculate the number and occurrence of each orbit

```
df['Orbit'].value_counts()
```

```
GTO    27
ISS    21
VLEO   14
PO      9
LEO     7
SSO     5
MEO     3
SO      1
ES-L1   1
HEO     1
GEO     1
Name: Orbit, dtype: int64
```

3. Calculate number and occurrence of mission outcome per orbit type

```
landing_outcomes = df['Outcome'].value_counts()
landing_outcomes
```

```
True ASDS    41
None None    19
True RTLS    14
False ASDS    6
True Ocean    5
None ASDS     2
False Ocean   2
False RTLS    1
Name: Outcome, dtype: int64
```

4. Create landing outcome label from Outcome column

```
landing_class = []
for key,value in df["Outcome"].items():
    if value in bad_outcomes:
        landing_class.append(0)
    else:
        landing_class.append(1)
df['Class'] = landing_class
```

5. Export to file

```
df.to_csv("dataset_part_2.csv", index=False)
```

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.

The links will be provided in the last slide.

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Folium map object is a map centered on NASA Johnson Space Center at Houston, Texas
- The objects were 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

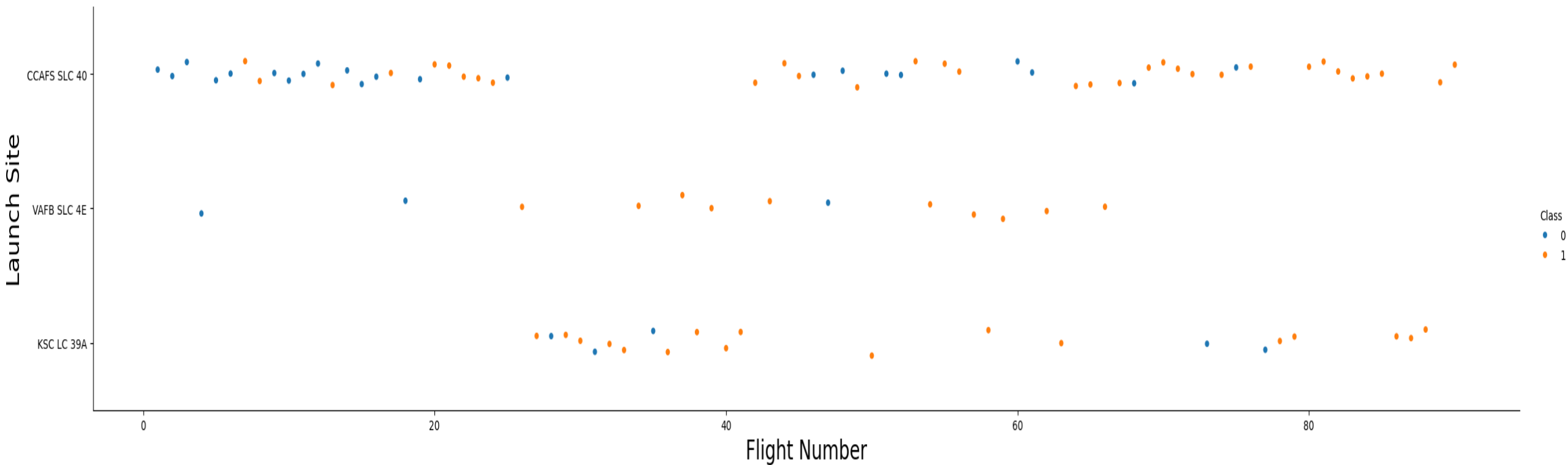
- Exploratory data analysis results
- Interactive analytics demo in screenshots
- Predictive analysis results

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Section 2

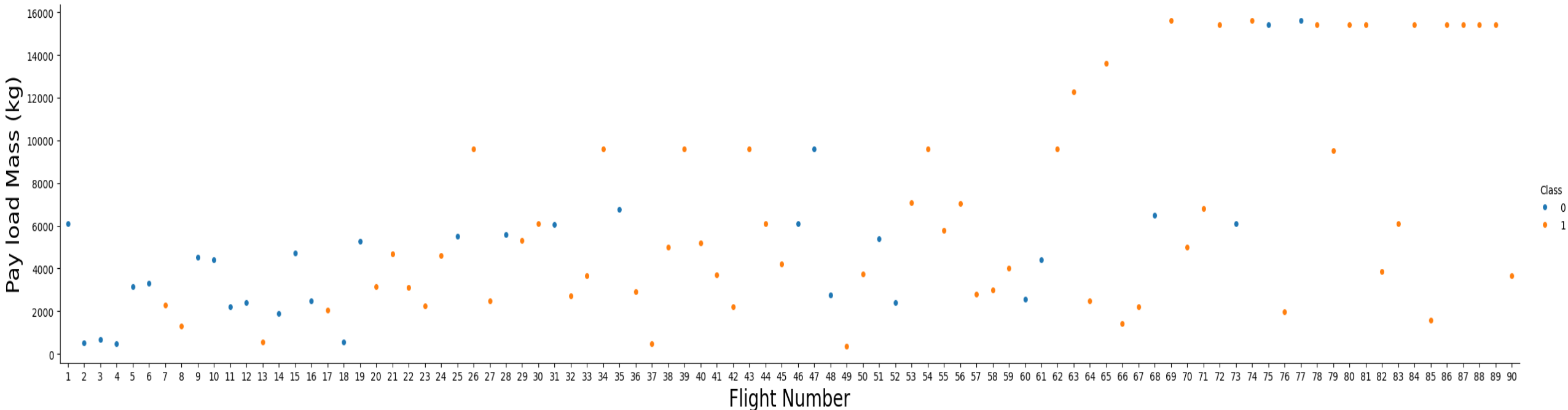
Insights drawn from EDA

Flight Number vs. Launch Site



```
sns.catplot(y="LaunchSite", x="FlightNumber", hue="Class", data=df, aspect = 5)
plt.xlabel("Flight Number", fontsize=20)
plt.ylabel("Launch Site", fontsize=20)
plt.show()
```

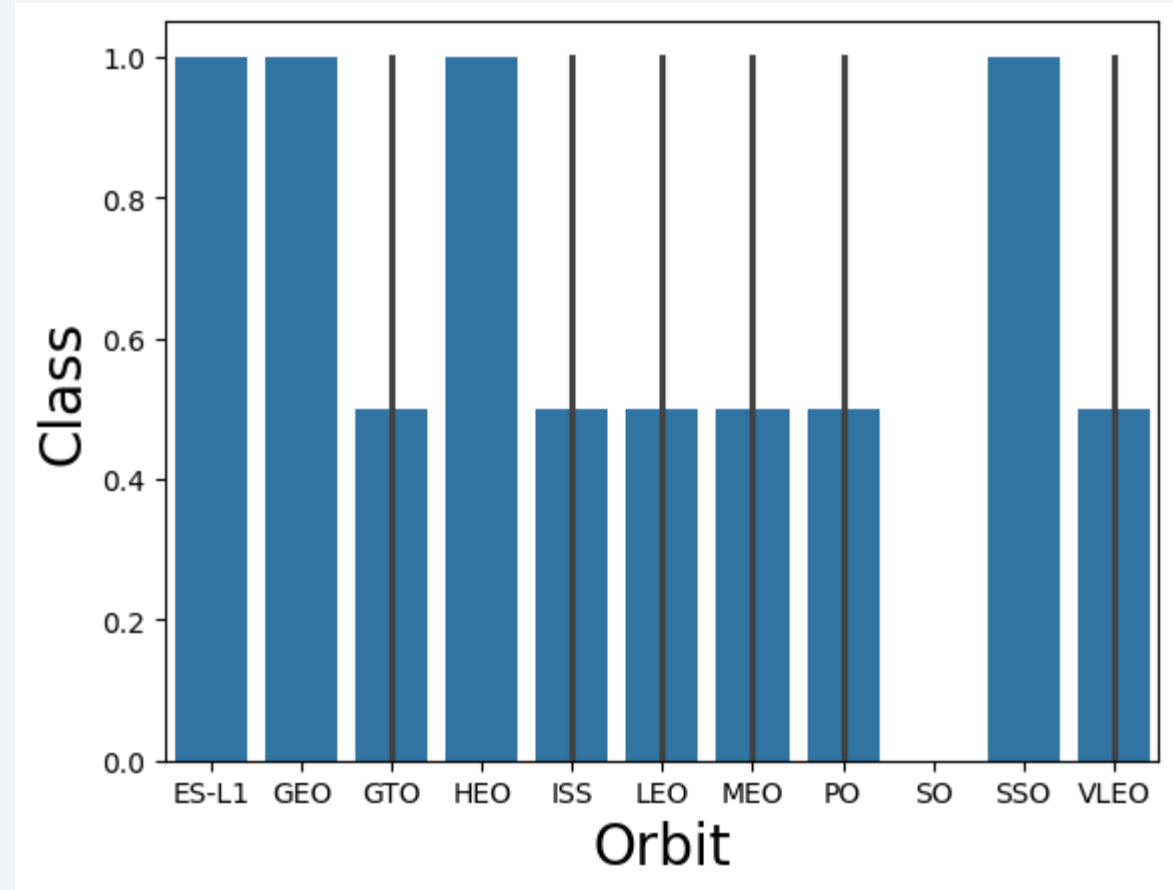

Payload vs. Launch Site



```
sns.catplot(y="LaunchSite", x="PayloadMass", hue="Class", data=df, aspect = 5)
plt.xlabel("Flight Number", fontsize=20)
plt.ylabel("PayloadMass", fontsize=20)
plt.show()
```

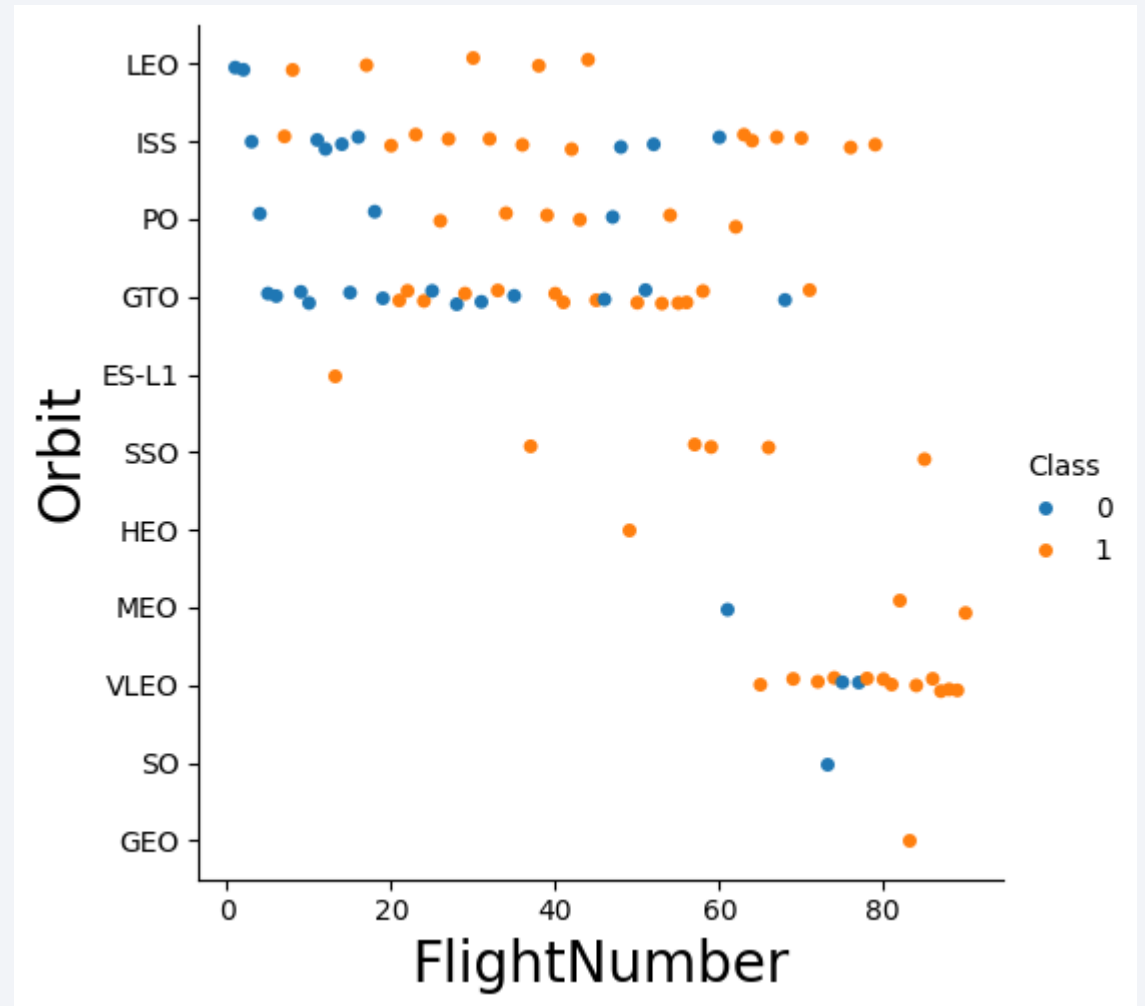
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

- ```
t = df.groupby(['Orbit',
'Class'])['Class'].agg(['mean'])
.reset_index()
```
- ```
sns.barplot(y="Class",  
x="Orbit", data=t)
```
- ```
plt.xlabel("Orbit",fontsize=20)
```
- ```
plt.ylabel("Class",fontsize=20)
```
- ```
plt.show()
```



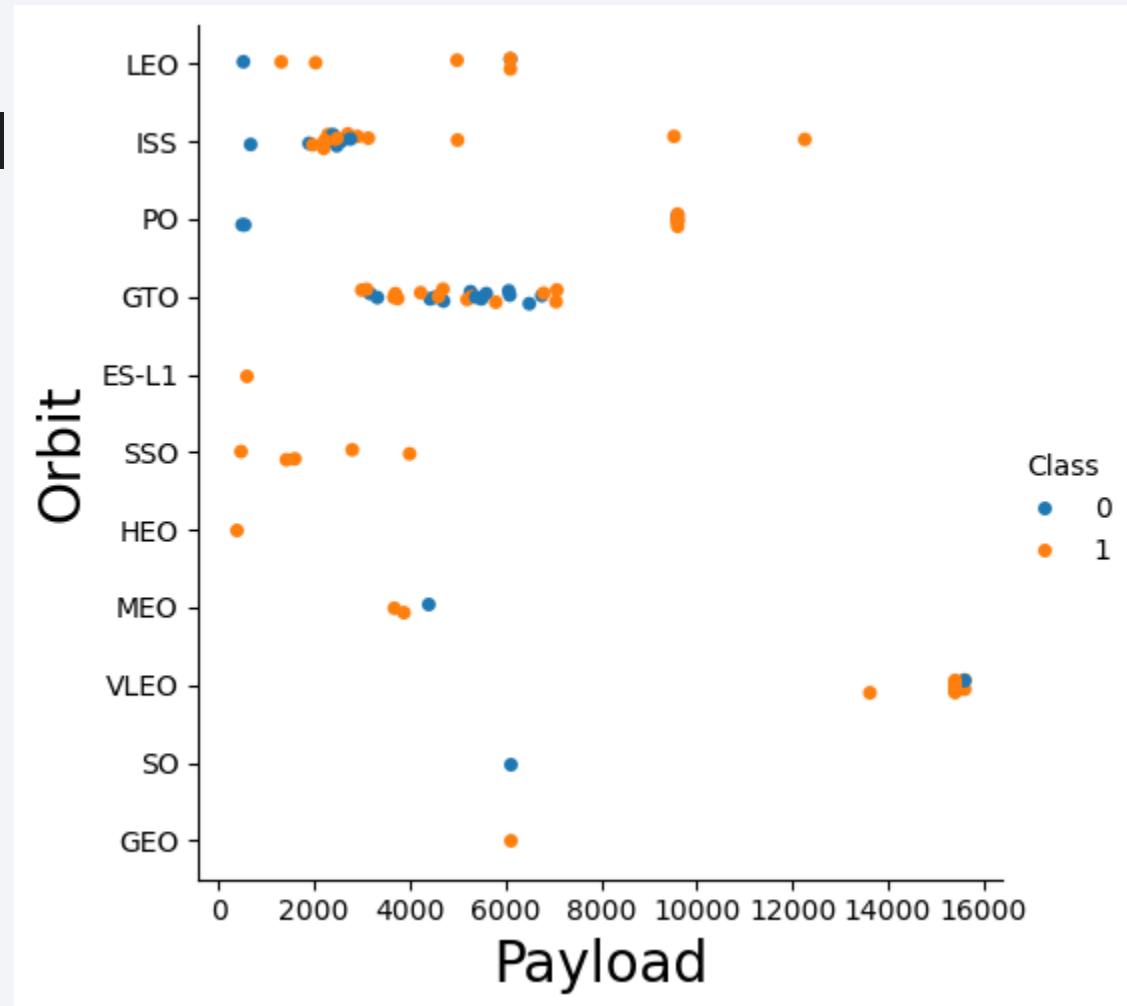
# Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

```
sns.catplot(y="LaunchSite", x="FlightNumber",
hue="Class", data=df, aspect = 5)
plt.xlabel("Flight Number",fontsize=20)
plt.ylabel("Launch Site",fontsize=20)
plt.show()
```



# Payload vs. Orbit Type

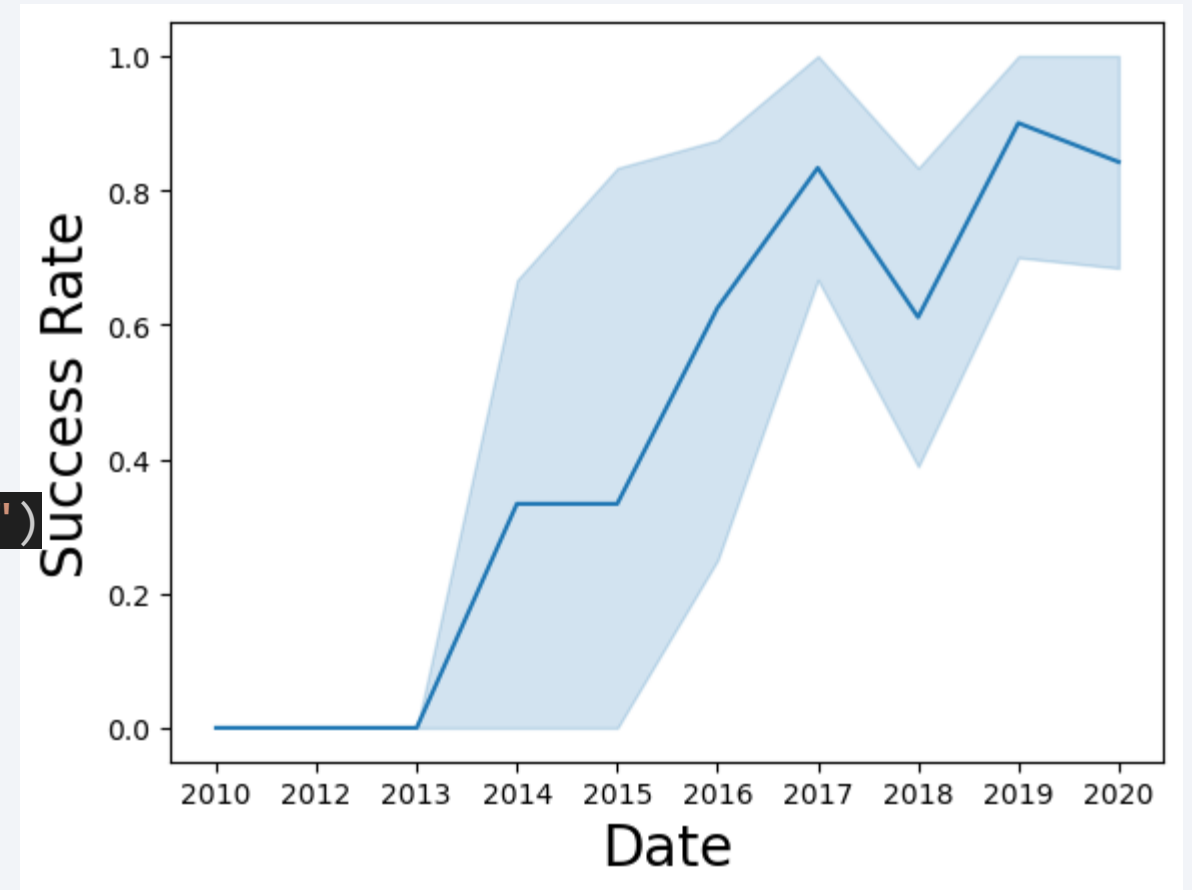
```
sns.catplot(y="Orbit", x="PayloadMass",
hue="Class", data=df)
plt.xlabel("Payload", fontsize=20)
plt.ylabel("Orbit", fontsize=20)
plt.show()
```



# Launch Success Yearly Trend

```
year=[]
def Extract_year():
 for i in df["Date"]:
 year.append(i.split("-")[0])
 return year
Extract_year()
df['Date'] = year
```

```
sns.lineplot(data=df, x="Date", y="Class")
plt.xlabel("Date",fontsize=20)
plt.ylabel("Success Rate",fontsize=20)
plt.show()
```





# All Launch Site Names

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```
%sql SELECT DISTINCT Launch_Site FROM
SPACEXTABLE
```

| Launch_Site |
|-------------|
|-------------|

|             |
|-------------|
| CCAFS LC-40 |
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|             |
|-------------|
| VAFB SLC-4E |
|-------------|

|            |
|------------|
| KSC LC-39A |
|------------|

|              |
|--------------|
| CCAFS SLC-40 |
|--------------|

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

```
%sql SELECT * FROM SPACEXTABLE WHERE
Launch_Site LIKE 'CCA%' LIMIT 5
```

| Date       | Time (UTC) | Booster_Version | Launch_Site | Payload                                                       | PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_ | Orbit     | Customer        |
|------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| 04-06-2010 | 18:45:00   | F9 v1.0 B0003   | CCAFS LC-40 | Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit                          | 0                | LEO       | SpaceX          |
| 08-12-2010 | 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 |
| 22-05-2012 | 07:44:00   | F9 v1.0 B0005   | CCAFS LC-40 | Dragon demo flight C2                                         | 525              | LEO (ISS) | NASA (COTS)     |
| 08-10-2012 | 00:35:00   | F9 v1.0 B0006   | CCAFS LC-40 | SpaceX CRS-1                                                  | 500              | LEO (ISS) | NASA (CRS)      |
| 01-03-2013 | 15:10:00   | F9 v1.0 B0007   | CCAFS LC-40 | SpaceX CRS-2                                                  | 677              | LEO (ISS) | NASA (CRS)      |

# Total Payload Mass

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```
%sql SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) FROM
SPACEXTABLE WHERE Customer = 'NASA (CRS)'
```

```
SUM("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_")
```

```
45596
```

# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

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```
%sql SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) FROM
SPACEXTABLE WHERE Booster_Version = 'F9 v1.1'
```

```
AVG("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_")
```

```
2534.6666666666665
```

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

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```
%sql SELECT MIN("Date") FROM SPACEXTABLE WHERE
Landing_Outcome= "Success (drone ship)"
```

```
MIN("DATE")
```

```
01-05-2017
```



## Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

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```
%%sql
SELECT Booster_Version FROM SPACEXTABLE
WHERE Landing_Outcome = 'Success (drone ship)'
AND PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ > 4000
AND PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ < 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
SPACEXTABLE WHERE Mission_Outcome like
'Success%'
```

| SUCCESS | FAILURE |
|---------|---------|
| 100     | 1       |

# Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

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```
%sql SELECT Booster_Version FROM SPACEXTABLE
WHERE PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ = (SELECT
MAX(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) FROM SPACEXTABLE)
```

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 Landing_Outcome , Booster_Version ,
Launch_Site , CASE SUBSTR(Date, 6, 2)
 WHEN '01' THEN 'January'
 WHEN '02' THEN 'February'
 WHEN '03' THEN 'March'
 WHEN '04' THEN 'April'
 WHEN '05' THEN 'May'
 WHEN '06' THEN 'June'
 WHEN '07' THEN 'July'
 WHEN '08' THEN 'August'
 WHEN '09' THEN 'September'
 WHEN '10' THEN 'October'
 WHEN '11' THEN 'November'
 WHEN '12' THEN 'December'
 END AS MonthName
FROM SPACEXTABLE WHERE substr(Date,0,5)='2015'
AND Landing_Outcome LIKE 'Failure (drone ship)'
```

| MONTH | Booster_Version | Launch_Site |
|-------|-----------------|-------------|
| 01    | F9 v1.1 B1012   | CCAFS LC-40 |
| 04    | F9 v1.1 B1015   | CCAFS LC-40 |

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

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```
%sql SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT Landing_Outcome) As
counts , Date FROM SPACEXTABLE WHERE Date
BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20' group by
Date order by counts desc
```

| Landing _Outcome     | COUNT("LANDING _OUTCOME") |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Success              | 20                        |
| Success (drone ship) | 8                         |
| Success (ground pad) | 6                         |

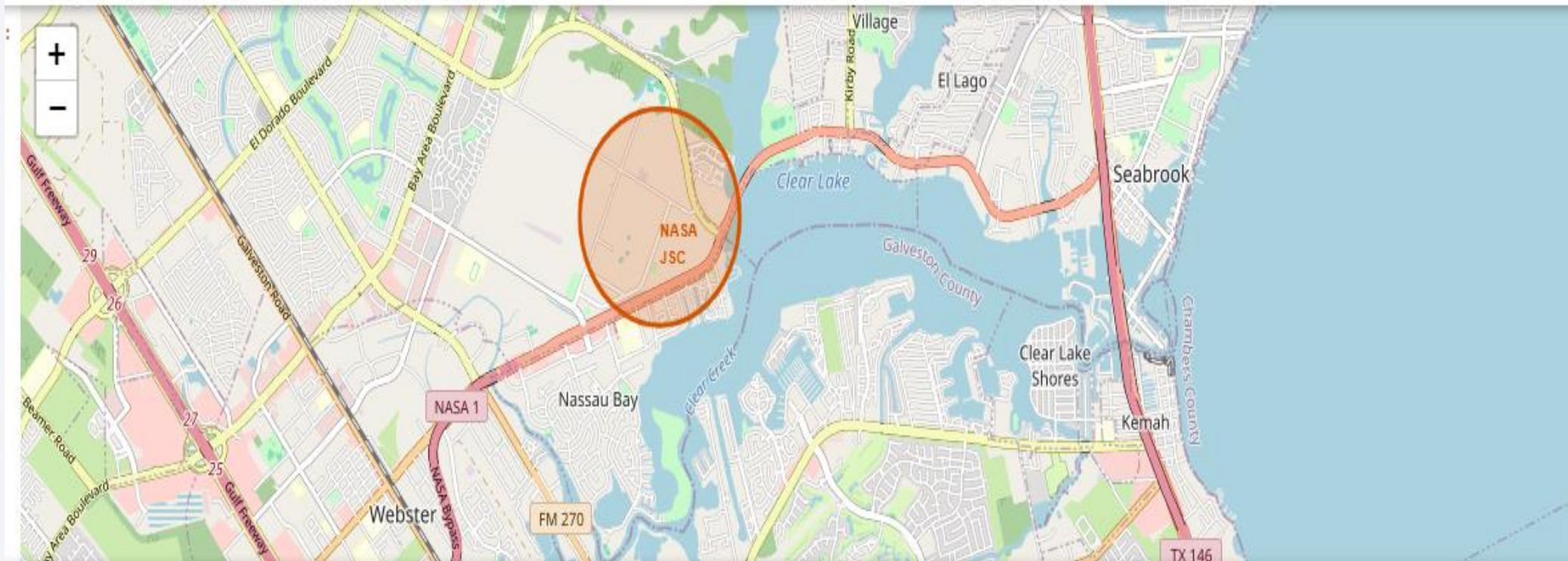
A satellite view of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and city lights at night. The background is a deep blue gradient.

Section 3

# Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

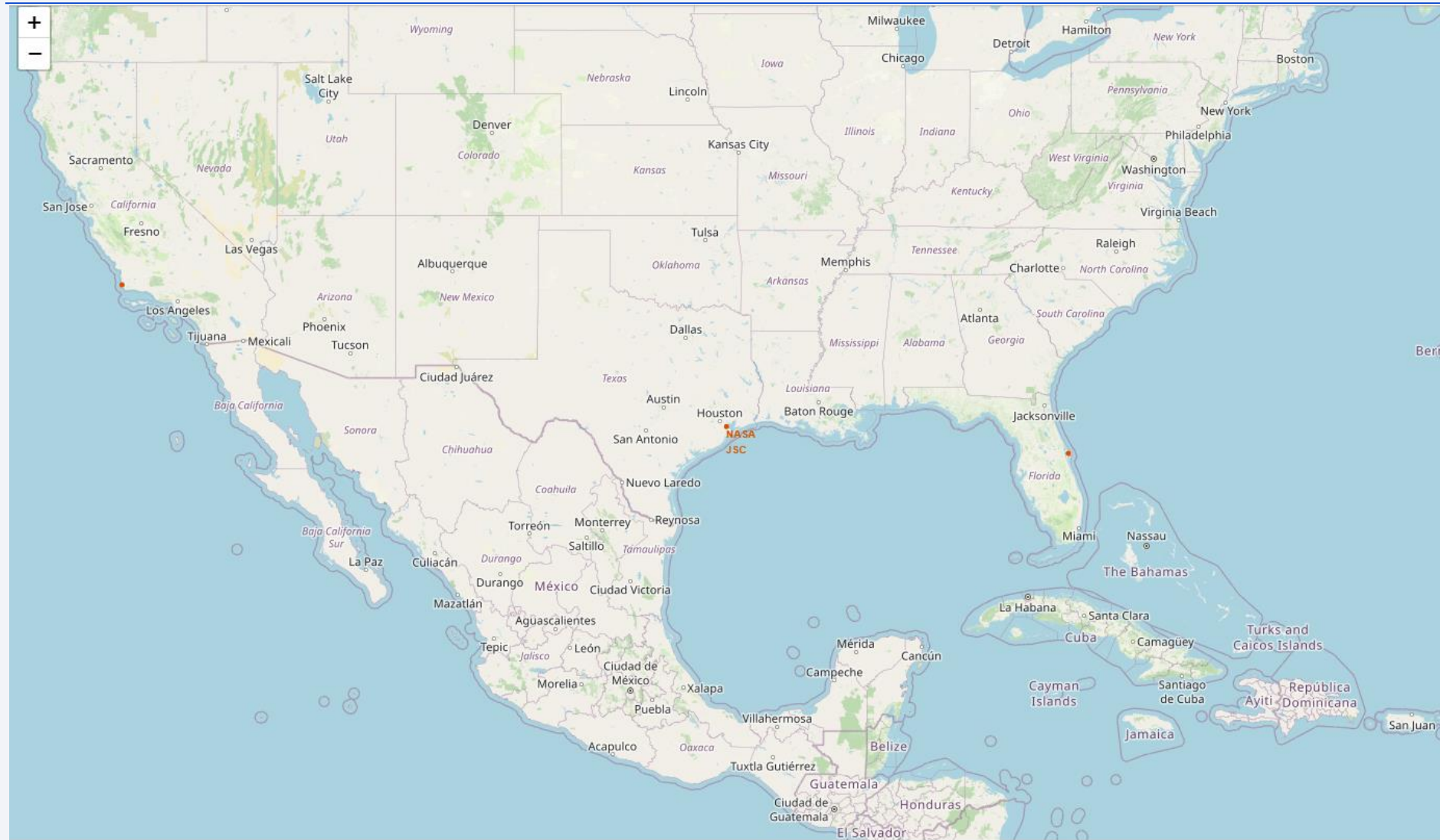


# <Folium Map Screenshot 1>

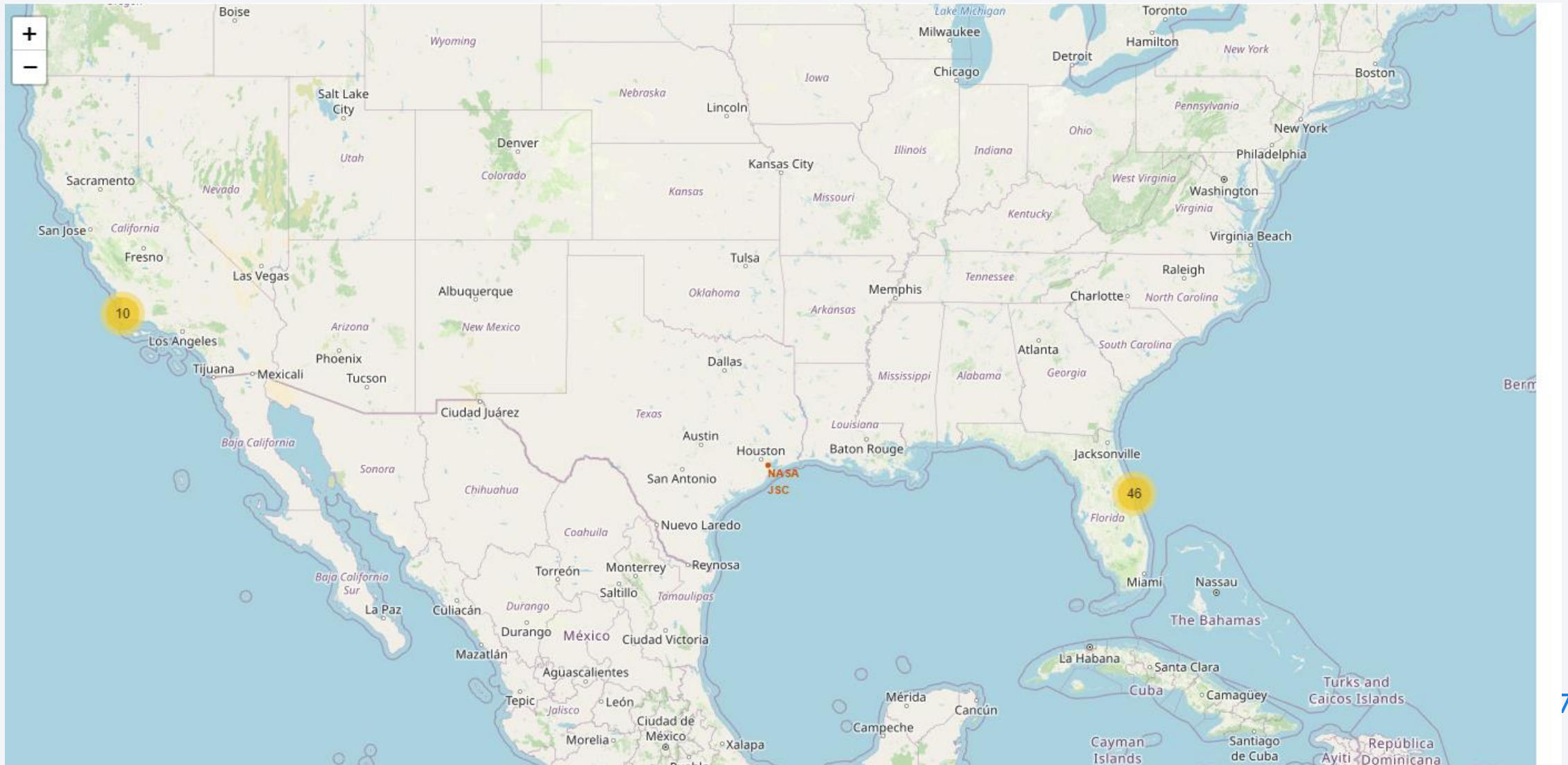




# <Folium Map Screenshot 2>



# <Folium Map Screenshot 3>







Section 4

# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

# <Dashboard Screenshot 1>

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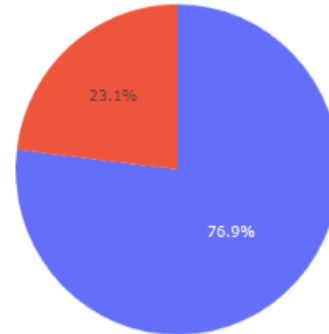
Total Success Launches by Site



# <Dashboard Screenshot 2>

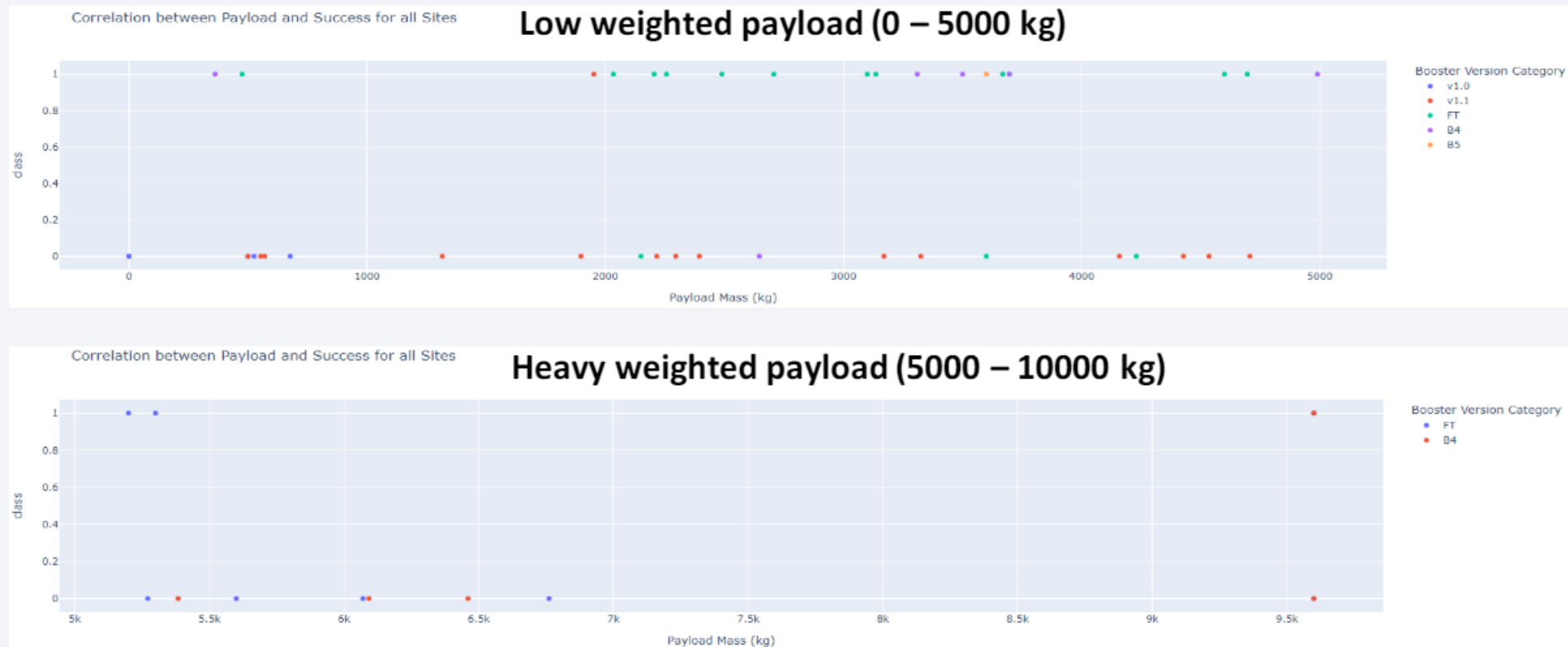
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Total Success Launches for Site KSC LC-39A



■ 1  
■ 0

# <Dashboard Screenshot 3>



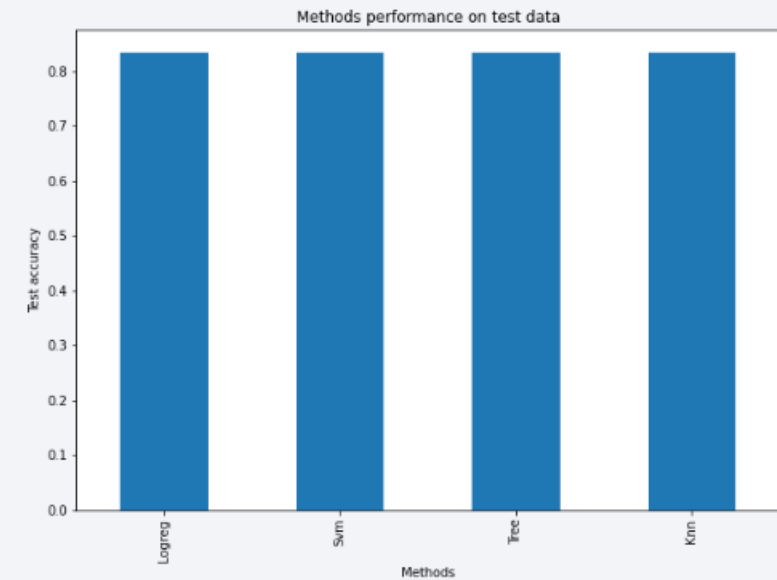
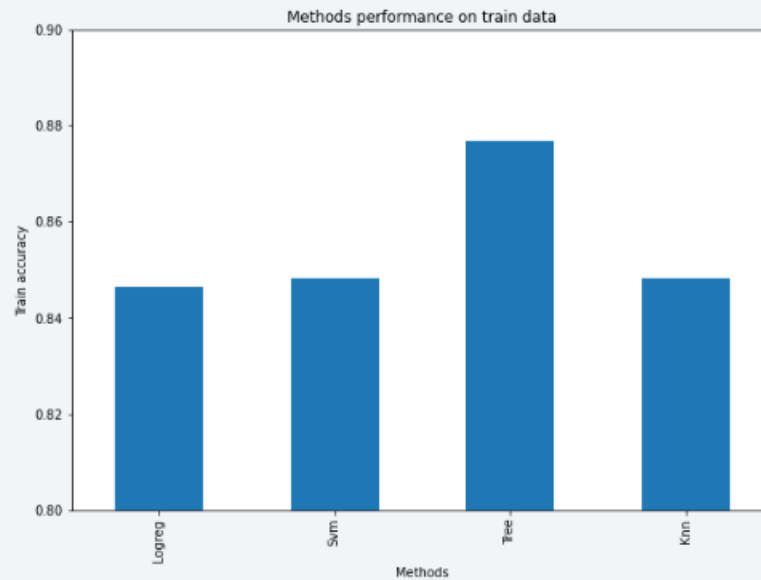
Section 5

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)



# Classification Accuracy

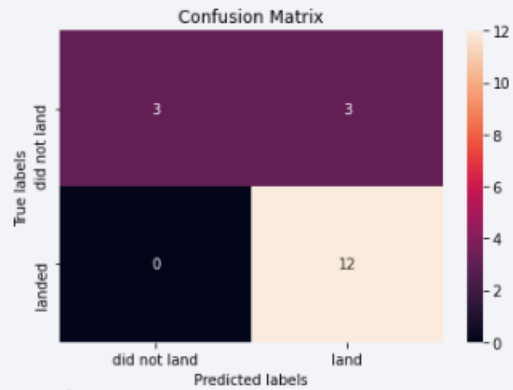
|        | Accuracy Train | Accuracy Test |
|--------|----------------|---------------|
| Tree   | 0.876786       | 0.833333      |
| Knn    | 0.848214       | 0.833333      |
| Svm    | 0.848214       | 0.833333      |
| Logreg | 0.846429       | 0.833333      |



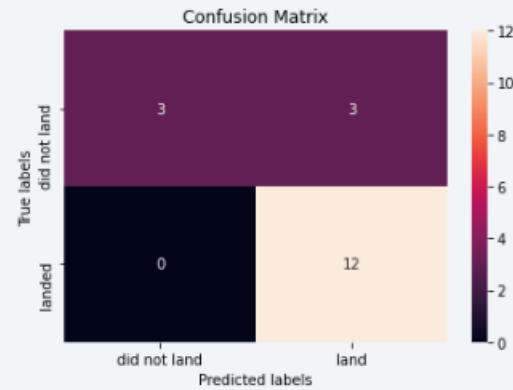
# Confusion Matrix

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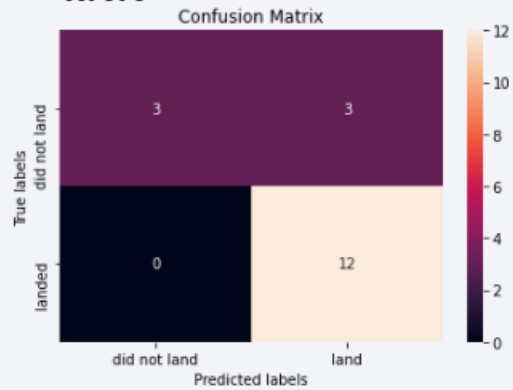
**Logistic regression**



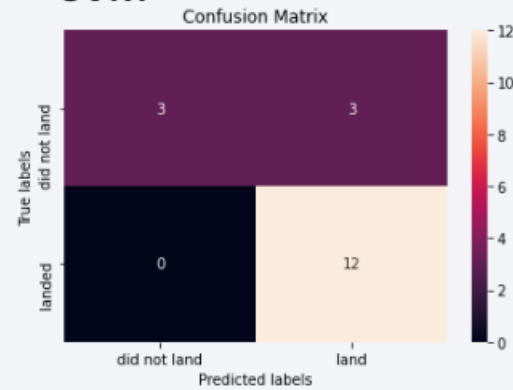
**Decision Tree**



**kNN**



**SVM**



# Conclusions

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The success of a mission can be explained by several factors such as the launch site, the orbit and especially the number of previous launches. Indeed, we can assume that there has been a gain in knowledge between launches that allowed to go from a launch failure to a success.

- The orbits with the best success rates are GEO, HEO, SSO, ES-L1.
- Depending on the orbits, the payload mass can be a criterion to take into account for the success of a mission. Some orbits require a light or heavy payload mass. But generally low weighted payloads perform better than the heavy weighted payloads.
- With the current data, we cannot explain why some launch sites are better than others (KSC LC-39A is the best launch site). To get an answer to this problem, we could obtain atmospheric or other relevant data.
- For this dataset, we choose the Decision Tree Algorithm as the best model even if the test accuracy between all the models used is identical. We choose Decision Tree Algorithm because it has a better train accuracy.

Thank you!



<https://github.com/Shathabajes/FinalProject.git>