

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Introduction

Project Background and context

Space X 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 Space X can reuse the first stage. Therefore, if we can determine if the first stage will land, we can determine the cost of a launch. This information can be used if an alternate company wants to bid against space X for a rocket launch. This goal of the project is to create a machine learning pipeline to predict if the first stage will land successfully.

Problems you want to find answers

- What factors determine if the rocket will land successfully.
- The interaction amongst various features that determine the success rate of a successful landing.
- What operating conditions needs to be in place to ensure a successful landing program

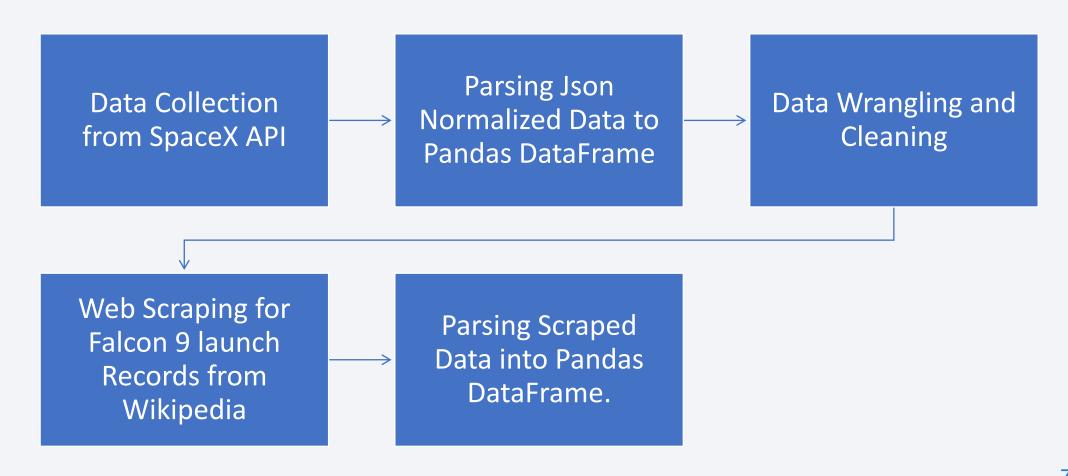


Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Data was collected using SpaceX API and data web scraping from wikipedia
- Perform data wrangling
 - Data was processed using Standard Scaler and One-hot Encoding was applied to Categorical Features.
- 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 Collection - SpaceX API

- We used the "get request" to the SpaceX API to collect data, cleaned the requested data and perform basic data wrangling and formatting.
- Notebook:

 https://github.com/Shedddy/IBM Data-Science Capstone/blob/main/Data%20coll
 ection%20with%20API.ipynb

```
1. Get request for rocket launch data using API
In [6]:
          spacex url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"
          response = requests.get(spacex url)
   2. Use json_normalize method to convert json result to dataframe
In [12]:
           # Use json normalize method to convert the json result into a dataframe
           # decode response content as json
           static json df = res.json()
In [13]:
           # apply json normalize
           data = pd.json normalize(static json df)
   3. We then performed data cleaning and filling in the missing values
In [30]:
           rows = data_falcon9['PayloadMass'].values.tolist()[0]
           df rows = pd.DataFrame(rows)
           df rows = df rows.replace(np.nan, PayloadMass)
           data falcon9['PayloadMass'][0] = df rows.values
           data falcon9
```

Data Collection - Scraping

- Falcon 9 launch records was scraped from Wikipedia, using Beautiful Soup.
- Scraped Data in the form of HTML tables was converted into Pandas Dataframe.
- Notebook :
 <u>https://github.com/Shedddy/</u>

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Capstone/blob/main/Data%

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```
1. Apply HTTP Get method to request the Falcon 9 rocket launch page
        static url = "https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches&oldid=1027686922"
In [5]: # use requests.get() method with the provided static_url
          # assign the response to a object
          html data = requests.get(static url)
          html_data.status_code
Out[5]: 200
    2. Create a BeautifulSoup object from the HTML response
           # Use BeautifulSoup() to create a BeautifulSoup object from a response text content
           soup = BeautifulSoup(html_data.text, 'html.parser')
         Print the page title to verify if the BeautifulSoup object was created properly
          # Use soup.title attribute
           soup.title
          <title>List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches - Wikipedia</title>
       Extract all column names from the HTML table header
         column_names = []
         # Apply find all() function with "th" element on first launch table
         # Iterate each th element and apply the provided extract column from header() to get a column name
         # Append the Non-empty column name ('if name is not None and Len(name) > \theta') into a list called column names
          element = soup.find all('th')
          for row in range(len(element)):
                 name = extract_column_from_header(element[row])
                 if (name is not None and len(name) > 0);
                     column names.append(name)
       Create a dataframe by parsing the launch HTML tables
    5. Export data to csv
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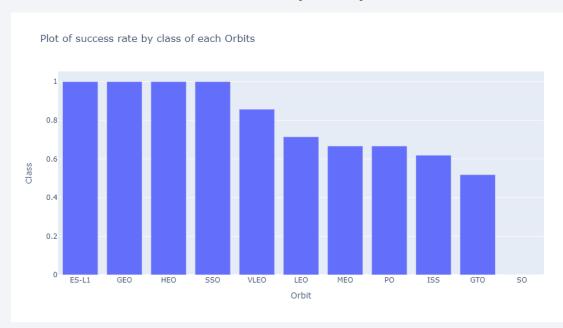
Data Wrangling

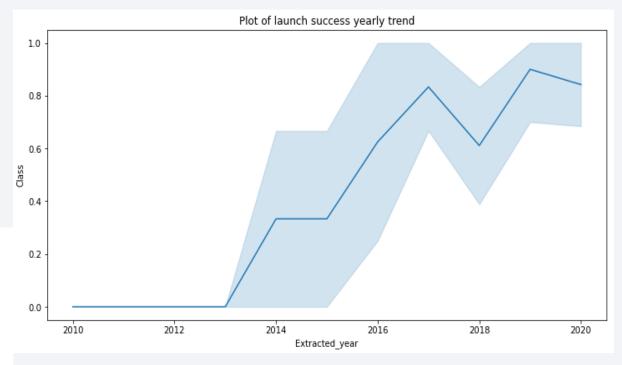
- Exploratory data analysis was conducted, to have a look at the various features of the data and their relationship with each other.
- The number of launches at each site, and the number and occurrence of each orbits was Evaluated.
- The Target feature(Outcome) was converted from Categorical data into Boolean(0 & 1)

Notebook: https://github.com/Shedddy/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/Data%20Wrangling.ipynb

EDA with Data Visualization

 The Data was explored 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.





Notebook:

https://github.com/Shedddy/IBM-Data-Science-

Capstone/blob/main/EDA%20with%Dat a%20Visualization.ipynb

EDA with **SQL**

- The Space X dataset was loaded into a Database.
- Exploratory Data Analysis was conducted into the Data using SQL queries to determine :
 - The names of unique launch sites in the space mission.
 - The total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
 - The average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
 - The total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
 - The failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster version and launch site names.

Notebook: https://github.com/Shedddy/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/EDA%20with%20SQL.ipynb

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- All launch sites was marked, and map objects such as markers, circles, lines
 was added to mark the success or failure of launches for each site on the folium
 map.
- Categorical encoders was assigned to the feature launch outcomes (failure or success) to class 0 and 1.i.e., 0 for failure, and 1 for success.
- Using the color-labeled marker clusters, launch sites have relatively high success rate were identified.
- The distances between a launch site to its proximities calculated.

Notebook: https://github.com/Shedddy/IBM-Data-Science- Capstone/blob/main/Interactive%20Visual%20Analytics%20with%20Folium.ipynb

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- An interactive dashboard was built using Python's Plotly dash
- Pie charts was plotted showing the total launches by a certain sites.
- Scatter graph was plotted showing the relationship with Outcome and Payload Mass (Kg) for the different booster version.

Notebook: https://github.com/Shedddy/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/dash.py

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- The cleaned data was loaded, transformed, and splited into training and test set.
- Different Classification Models was employed and GridSearchCv was introduced for tuning the different hyperparameters.
- The different Models were evaluated, using their accuracy scores, and the model with the highest accuracy score was noted.

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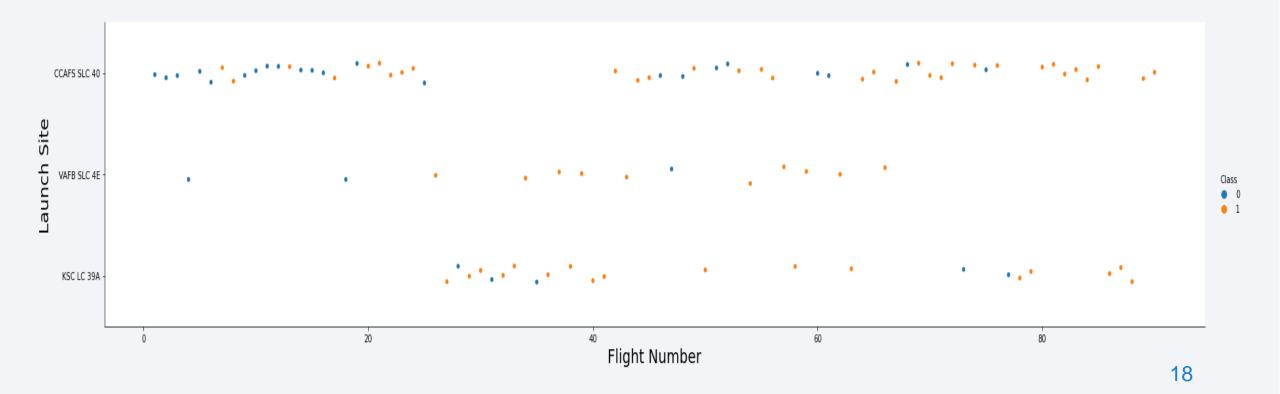
Results

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



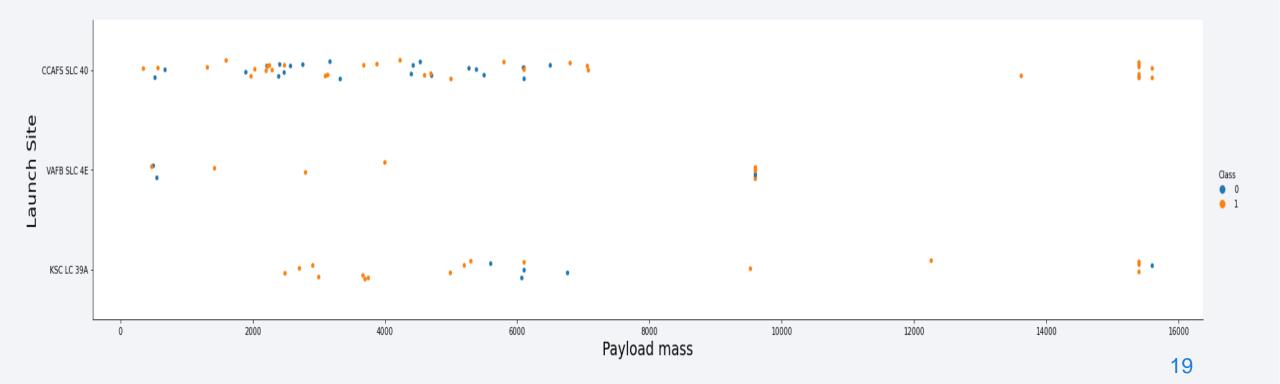
Flight Number vs. Launch Site

The plot below shows that, as the flight number increases, the success rate at the different launch site increases.



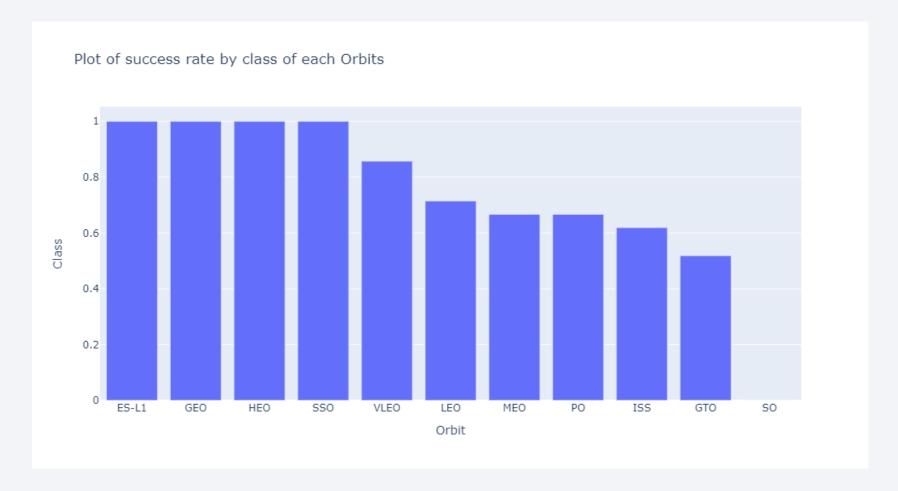
Payload vs. Launch Site

There were no rockets launched for heavypayload mass(greater than 10000) for the VAFB-SLC launchsite.



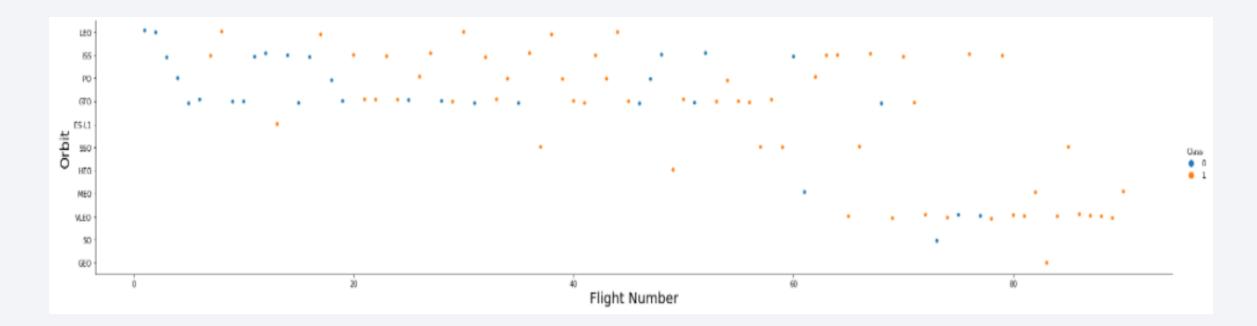
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

• From the plot, we can see that ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO, VLEO had the most success rate.



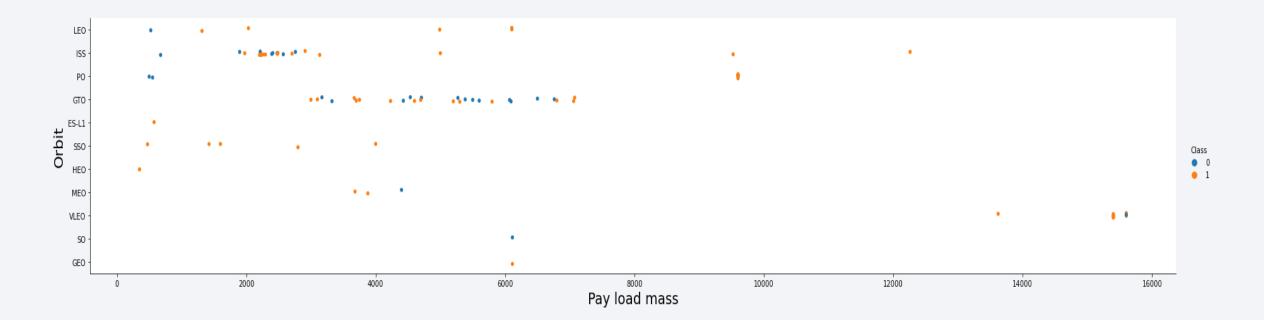
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

• From the plot below, an interpretable relationship between Flight Number and Orbit type could not be Ascertained.



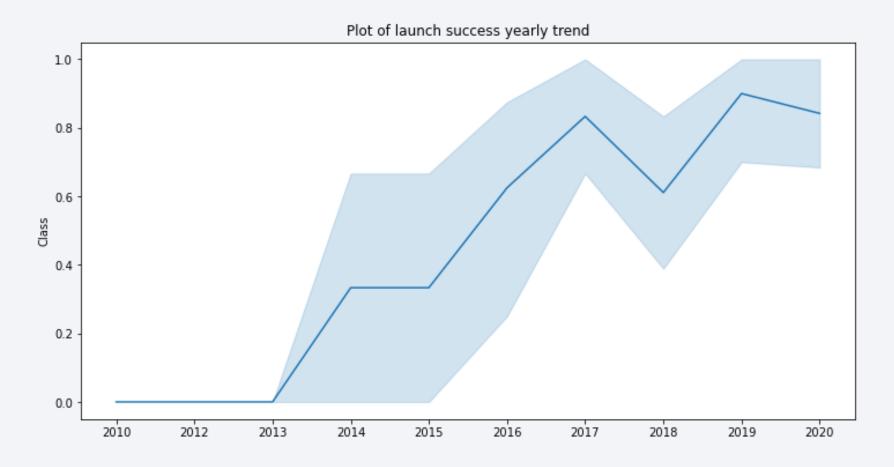
Payload vs. Orbit Type

• From the plot, it can be seen that with heavy payloads, the successful landing are more for PO, LEO and ISS orbits.



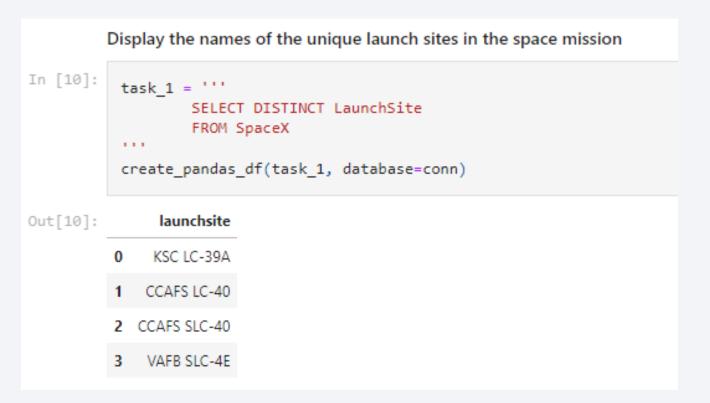
Launch Success Yearly Trend

From the plot, we can observe that success rate since 2013 kept on increasing till 2020 and peaked at 2019, after a significant drop in 2018.



All Launch Site Names

We used the key word
 DISTINCT to show only
 unique launch sites from the
 SpaceX data.



Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

 The query below was sued to display 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`

Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'											
In [11]:	<pre>task_2 = '''</pre>										
Out[11]:		date	time	boosterversion	launchsite	payload	payloadmasskg	orbit	customer	missionoutcome	landingoutcome
	0	2010-04- 06	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Failure (parachute)
	1	2010-08- 12	15:43:00	F9 v1.0 B0004	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C1, two CubeSats, barrel of	0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS) NRO	Success	Failure (parachute)
	2	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
	3	2012-08- 10	00:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-1	500	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt
	4	2013-01- 03	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-2	677	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt

Total Payload Mass

 The total payload carried by boosters from NASA as 45596 was calculated using the query below.

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

In [12]: 

task_3 = '''

SELECT SUM(PayloadMassKG) AS Total_PayloadMass
FROM SpaceX
WHERE Customer LIKE 'NASA (CRS)'

""

create_pandas_df(task_3, database=conn)

Out[12]: 

total_payloadmass

0     45596
```

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

 We calculated the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1 using the query below:

```
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
```

First Successful Ground Landing Date

The first Successful landing date was calculated using the query below

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

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

• WHERE clause was used to filter for boosters which have successfully landed on drone ship and the AND condition was applied to determine successful landing with payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000

```
In [15]:
           task 6 = '''
                   SELECT BoosterVersion
                   FROM SpaceX
                   WHERE LandingOutcome = 'Success (drone ship)'
                        AND PayloadMassKG > 4000
                        AND PayloadMassKG < 6000
           create pandas df(task 6, database=conn)
Out[15]:
             boosterversion
                F9 FT B1022
                F9 FT B1026
               F9 FT B1021.2
               F9 FT B1031.2
```

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

 Wildcard like '%' to filter for WHERE MissionOutcome was either a success or a failure.

```
List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
In [16]:
          task 7a = '''
                  SELECT COUNT(MissionOutcome) AS SuccessOutcome
                  FROM SpaceX
                  WHERE MissionOutcome LIKE 'Success%'
          task 7b = '''
                  SELECT COUNT(MissionOutcome) AS FailureOutcome
                  FROM SpaceX
                  WHERE MissionOutcome LIKE 'Failure%'
          print('The total number of successful mission outcome is:')
          display(create_pandas_df(task_7a, database=conn))
          print()
          print('The total number of failed mission outcome is:')
          create pandas df(task 7b, database=conn)
         The total number of successful mission outcome is:
            successoutcome
                      100
         The total number of failed mission outcome is:
Out[16]:
            failureoutcome
```

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

 We determined the booster that have carried the maximum payload using a subquery in the WHERE clause and the MAX() function.

```
List the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass. Use a subquery
In [17]:
           task 8 = '''
                   SELECT BoosterVersion, PayloadMassKG
                   FROM SpaceX
                   WHERE PayloadMassKG = (
                                              SELECT MAX(PayloadMassKG)
                                              FROM SpaceX
                   ORDER BY BoosterVersion
           create pandas df(task 8, database=conn)
Out[17]:
              boosterversion payloadmasskg
               F9 B5 B1048.4
                                     15600
               F9 B5 B1048.5
                                     15600
               F9 B5 B1049.4
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                                     15600
               F9 B5 B1056.4
                                     15600
               F9 B5 B1058.3
                                     15600
               F9 B5 B1060.2
                                     15600
          11 F9 B5 B1060.3
                                     15600
```

2015 Launch Records

A combination of the WHERE clause, LIKE, AND, and BETWEEN
conditions was used to filter for failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their
booster versions, and launch site names for year 2015

```
List the failed landing_outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015

In [18]:

task_9 = '''

SELECT BoosterVersion, LaunchSite, LandingOutcome
FROM SpaceX
WHERE LandingOutcome LIKE 'Failure (drone ship)'
AND Date BETWEEN '2015-01-01' AND '2015-12-31'

create_pandas_df(task_9, database=conn)

Out[18]:

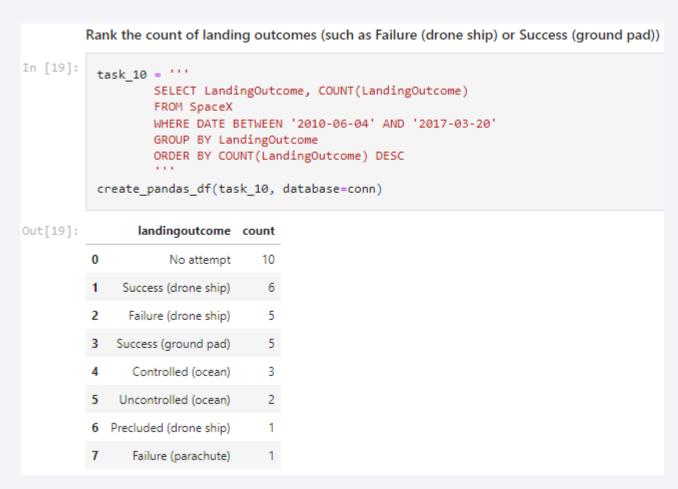
boosterversion launchsite landingoutcome

0 F9 v1.1 B1012 CCAFS LC-40 Failure (drone ship)

1 F9 v1.1 B1015 CCAFS LC-40 Failure (drone ship)
```

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

- The Landing outcomes and the COUNT of landing outcomes from the data was selected and WHERE clause was used to filter for landing outcomes BETWEEN 2010-06-04 to 2010-03-20.
- The GROUP BY clause was used to group the landing outcomes and the ORDER BY clause was used to order the grouped landing outcome in descending order.

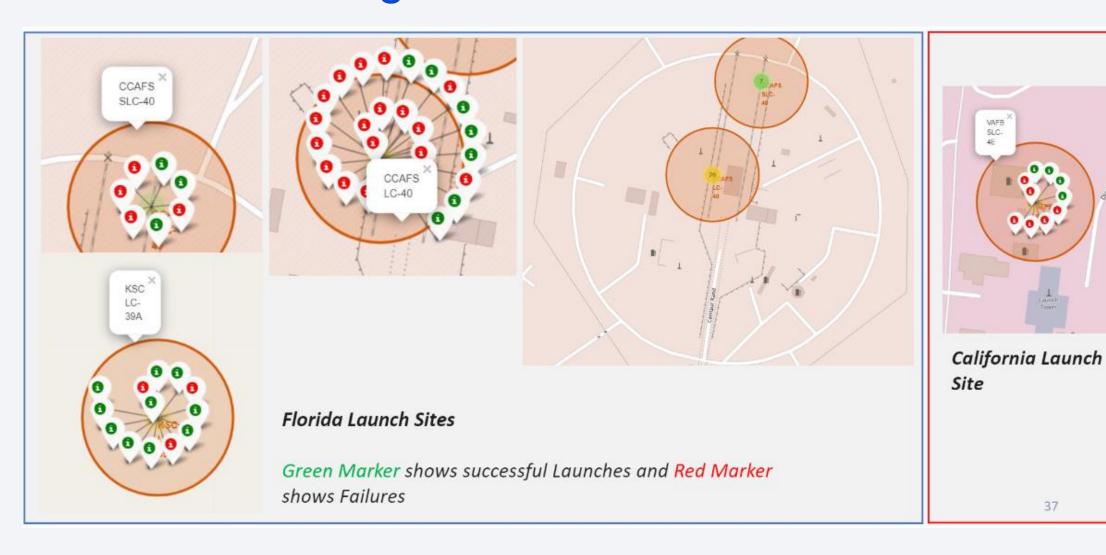




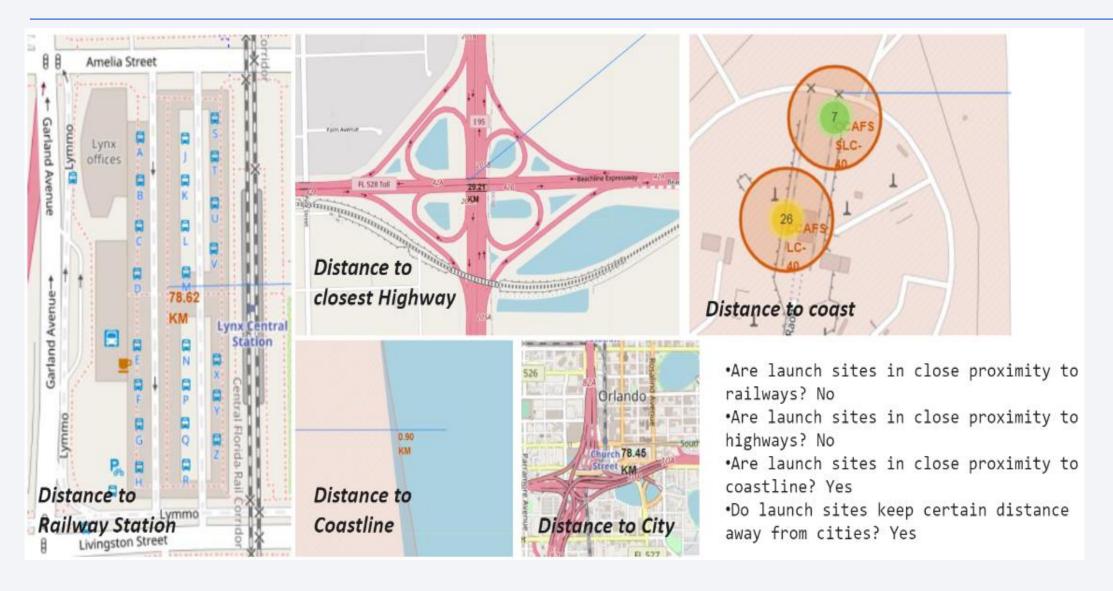
All launch sites global map markers



Markers showing launch sites with color labels



Launch Site distance to landmarks

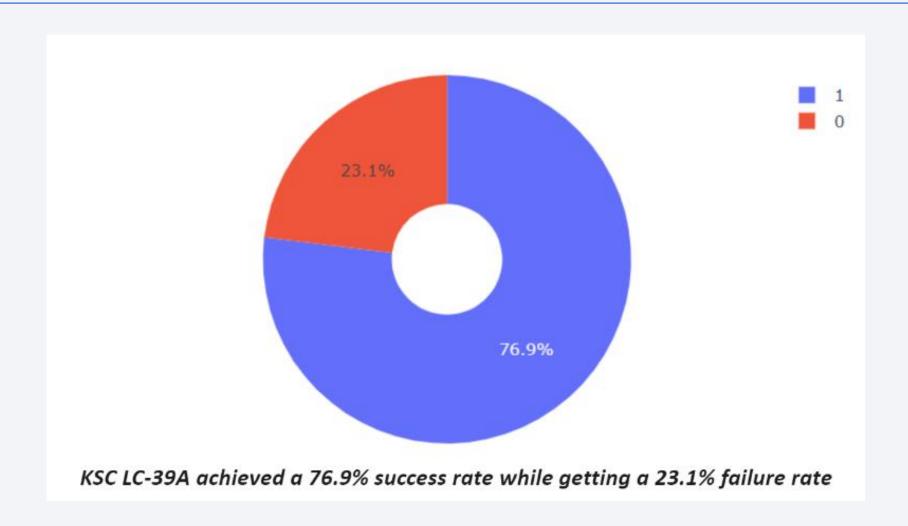




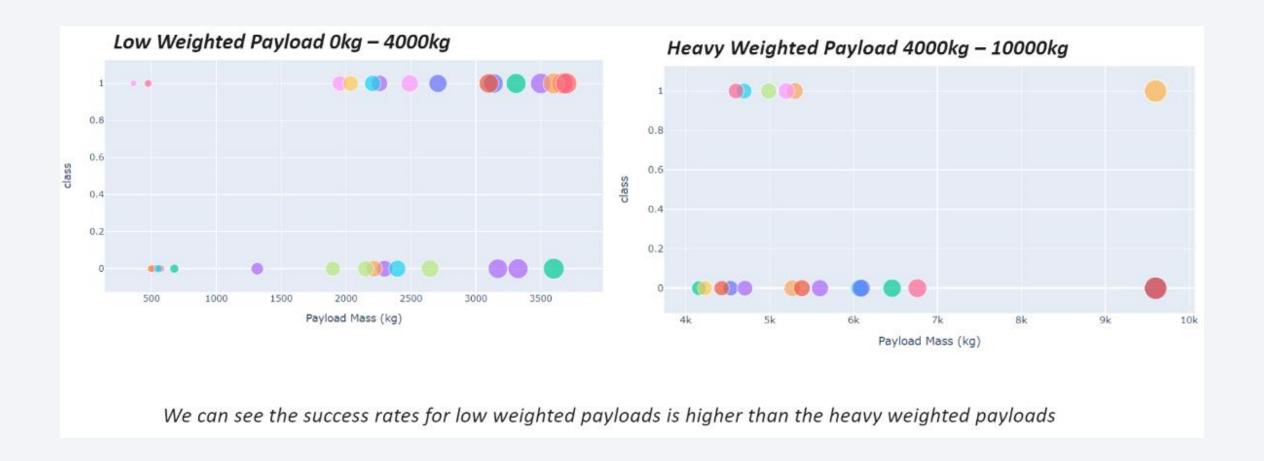
Pie chart showing the success percentage achieved by each launch site



Pie chart showing the Launch site with the highest launch success ratio



Scatter plot of Payload vs Launch Outcome for all sites, with different payload selected in the range slider





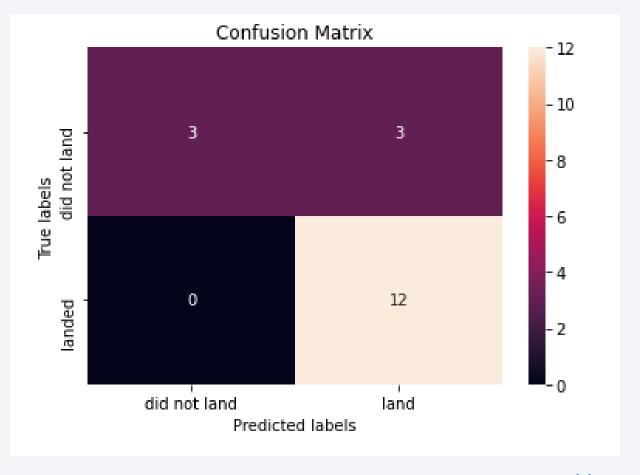
Classification Accuracy

The decision tree classifier is the model with the highest classification accuracy.

```
models = {'KNeighbors':knn cv.best score ,
              'DecisionTree':tree cv.best score ,
              'LogisticRegression':logreg cv.best score ,
               'SupportVector': svm cv.best score }
bestalgorithm = max(models, key=models.get)
print('Best model is', bestalgorithm,'with a score of', models[bestalgorithm])
if bestalgorithm == 'DecisionTree':
    print('Best params is :', tree cv.best params )
if bestalgorithm == 'KNeighbors':
    print('Best params is :', knn cv.best params )
if bestalgorithm == 'LogisticRegression':
    print('Best params is :', logreg cv.best params )
if bestalgorithm == 'SupportVector':
    print('Best params is :', svm_cv.best_params_)
Best model is DecisionTree with a score of 0.8732142857142856
Best params is : {'criterion': 'gini', 'max depth': 6, 'max features': 'auto', 'min samples leaf': 2, 'min samples split': 5, 'splitter': 'random'}
```

Confusion Matrix

 The confusion matrix for the decision tree classifier shows that the classifier can distinguish between the different classes. The major problem is the false positive i.e, unsuccessful landing marked as successful landing by the classifier(3, in this case)



Conclusions

We can conclude that:

- The larger the flight amount at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site.
- Launch success rate started to increase in 2013 till 2020.
- Orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO, VLEO had the most success rate.
- KSC LC-39A had the most successful launches of any sites.
- The Decision tree classifier is the best machine learning algorithm for this task.

Appendix

