

# APPLIED DATA SCIENCE CAPSTONE

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# Overview

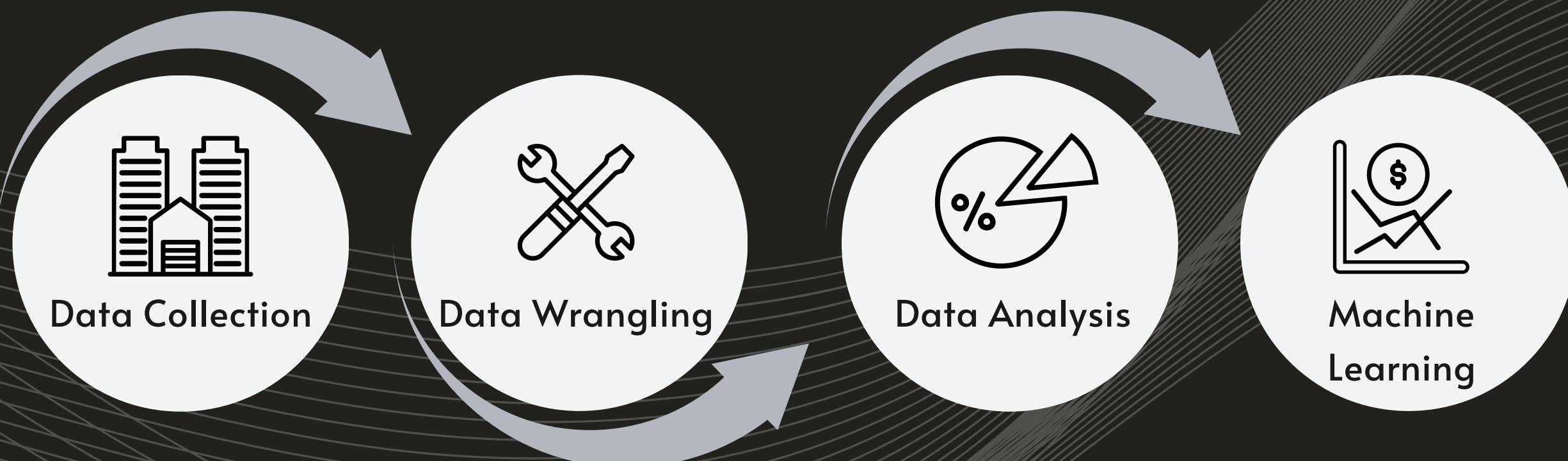
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# Executive Summary

In this capstone project, we want to predict Space X Falcon 9 First Stage Landing result using several machine learning method.

Before we get into the machine learning, we must understand the data with following steps:



We also found out that some features have correlation to the outcome of the launches and we also found that the launch site is design for specific weightload

Decision Tree is the best algorithm to predict the landing result

# Introduction

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.

# Methodology



## Data collection, wrangling, and formatting

- SpaceX API
- Web Scraping



## Exploratory data analysis (EDA)

- Pandas and NumPy
- SQL



## Data visualization

- Matplotlib and Seaborn
- Folium
- Dash



## Machine learning prediction

- Logistic Regression
- Support Vector Machine
- Decision Tree
- K-Nearest Neighbors

# **DATA COLLECTION, WRANGLING, AND FORMATTING**

- The API used is <https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/rockets/>
- This API provides data about several rocket launches by SpaceX, so we must filter the data to Falcon 9 launches only
- Every missing value is replaced by mean of the current column
- The final shape of the data is 90 rows and 17 columns

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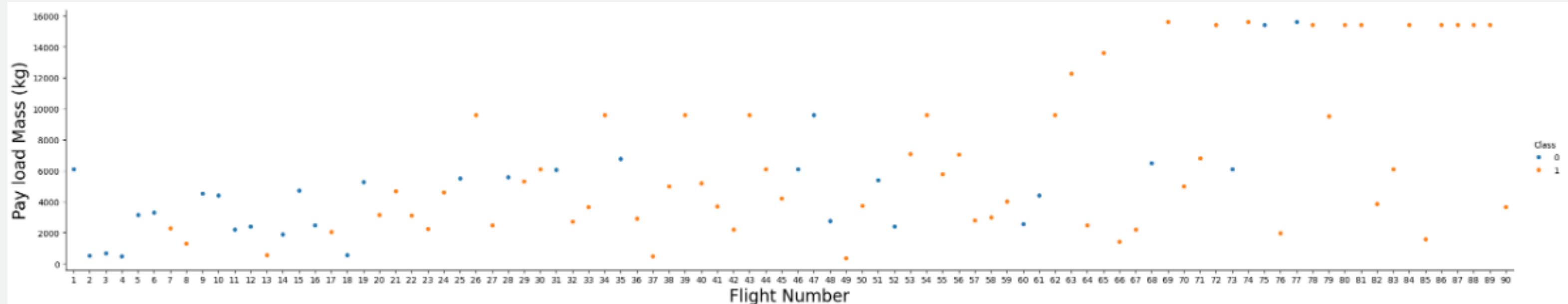
- The data scraped from  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_Falcon\\_9\\_and\\_Falcon\\_Heavy\\_launches](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Falcon_9_and_Falcon_Heavy_launches)
- The shape of the data is 121 rows and 11 columns

# **DATA COLLECTION, WRANGLING, AND FORMATTING**

- The categorical features in the data are processed with one-hot encoding
- Added an extra column called “Class” that contains 0 if the launch is failed and 1 if the launch is successful
- The final data shape is 90 rows and 83 columns

# EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS (EDA)

- Using several plot to find correlation and relationship between features, for example:



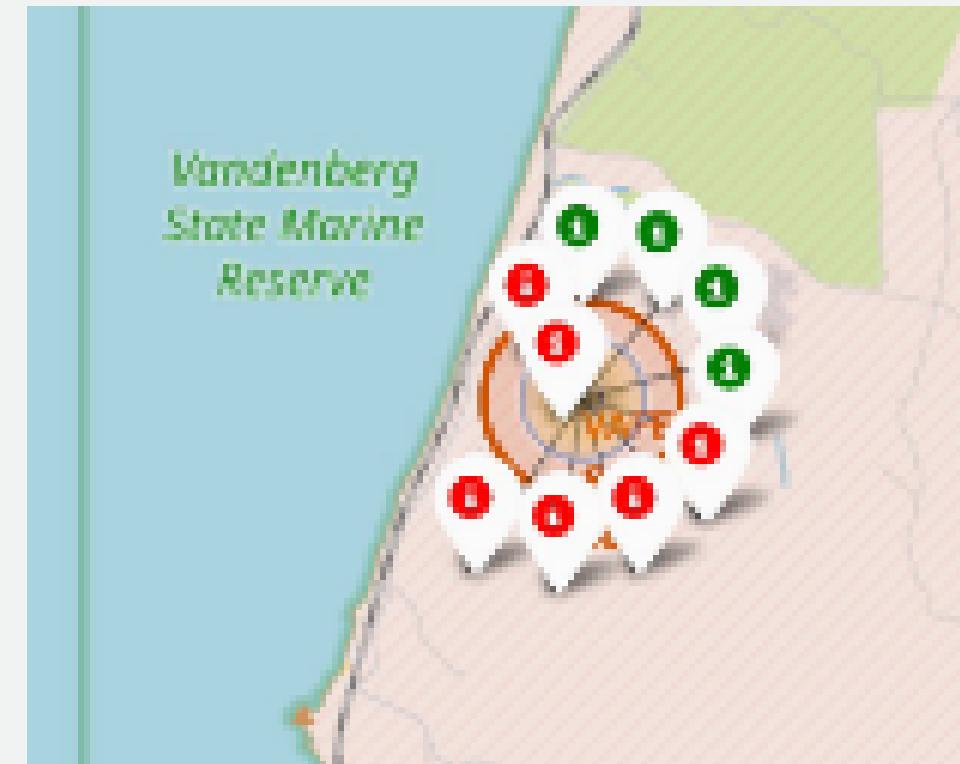
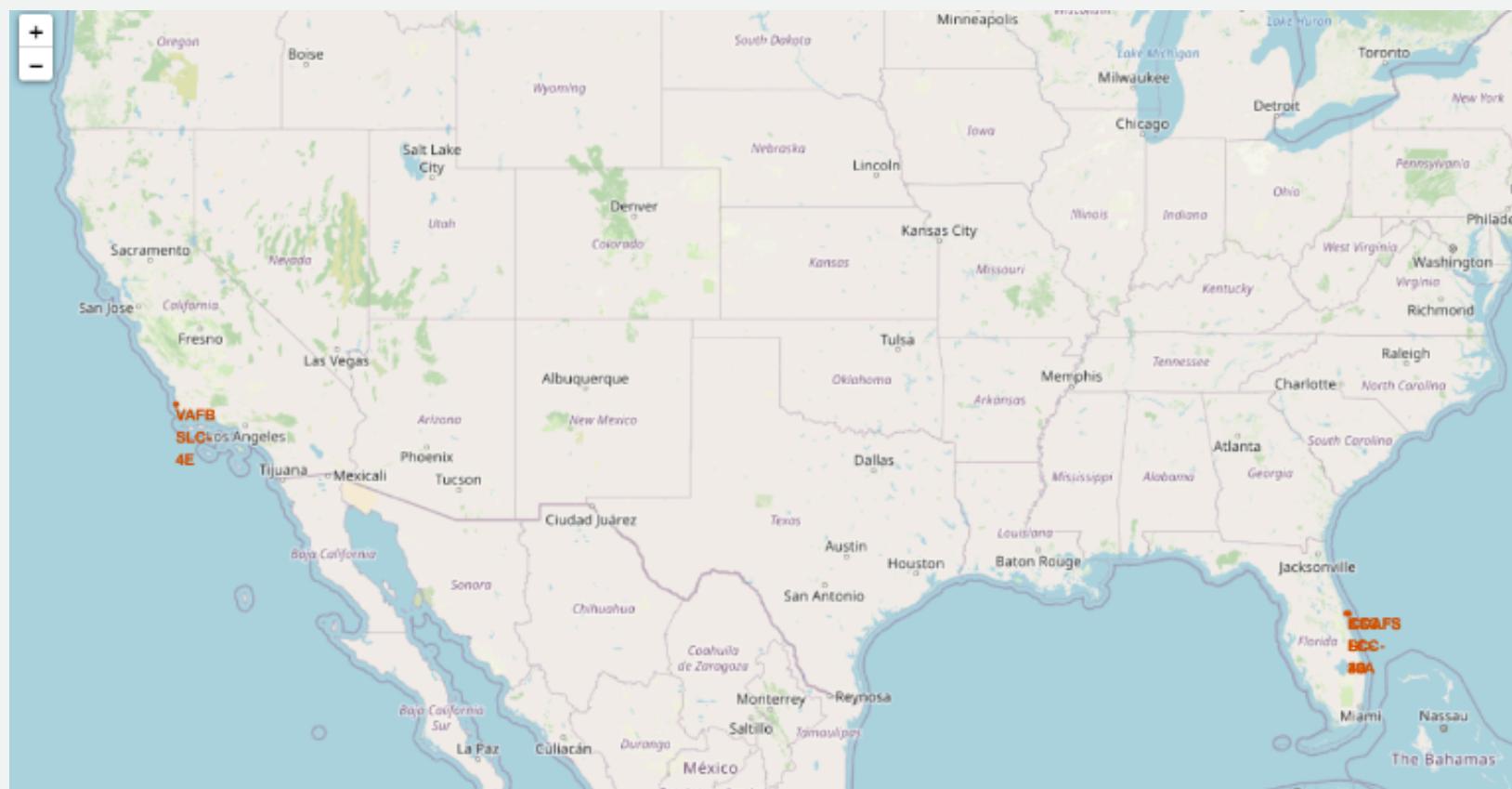
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- Using SQL queries to also get insight about launch site, total and average payload of specific boosters, first successful landing, and etc.

Launch_Site	Average_Payload	Booster_Version	first_landing
CCAFS LC-40	2928.4	F9 FT B1022	
VAFB SLC-4E		F9 FT B1026	
KSC LC-39A		F9 FT B1021.2	
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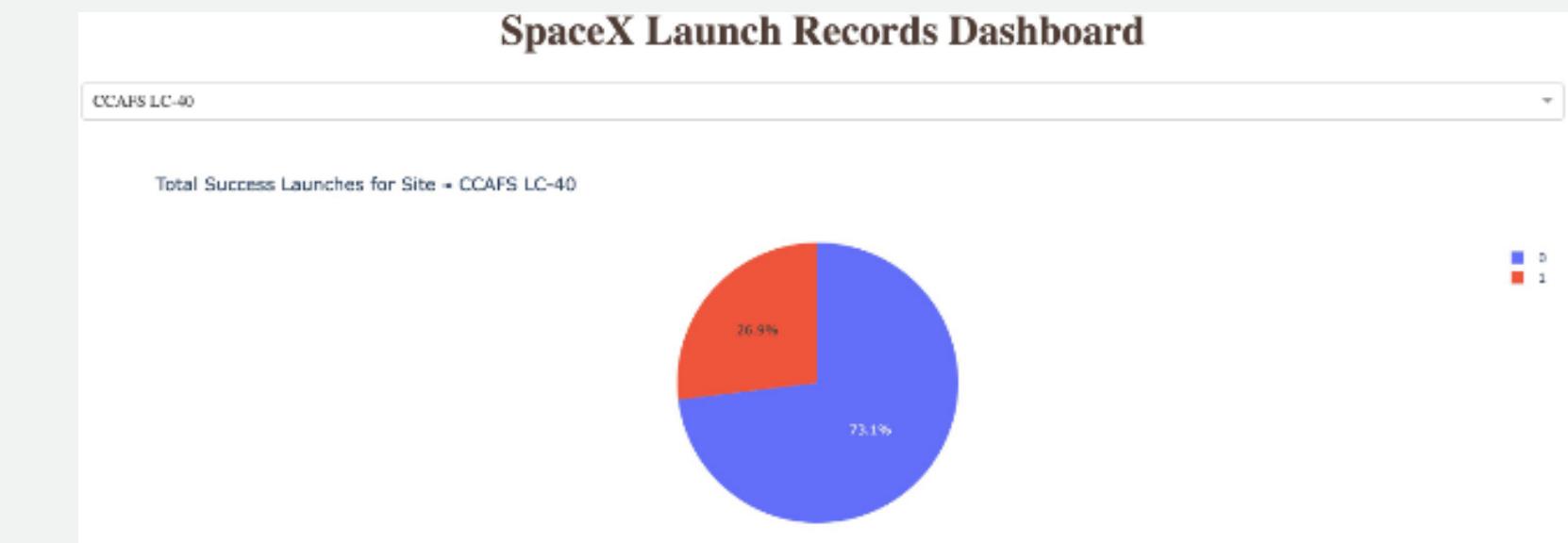
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- Using Folium to map and get insight about the launch site location



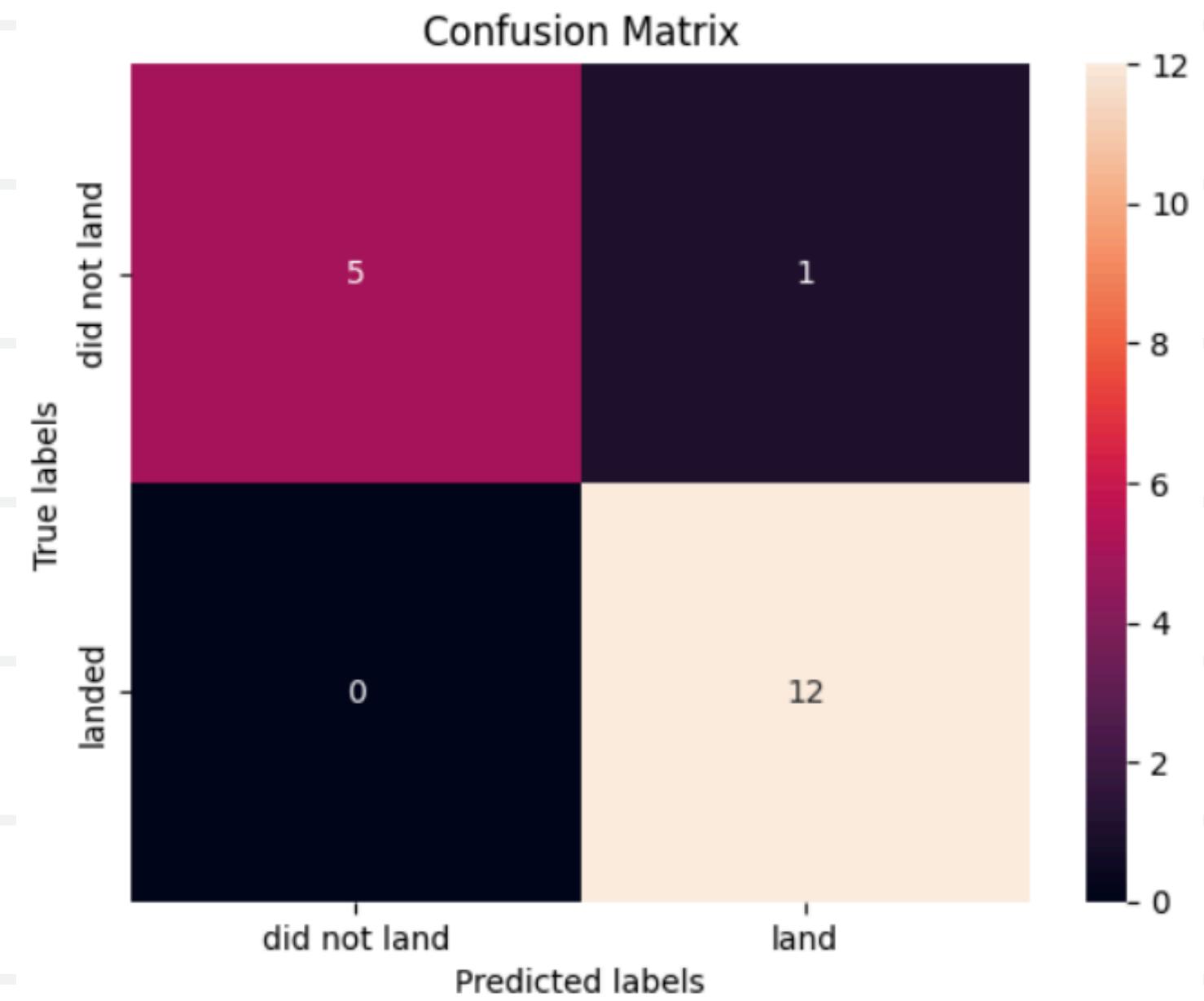
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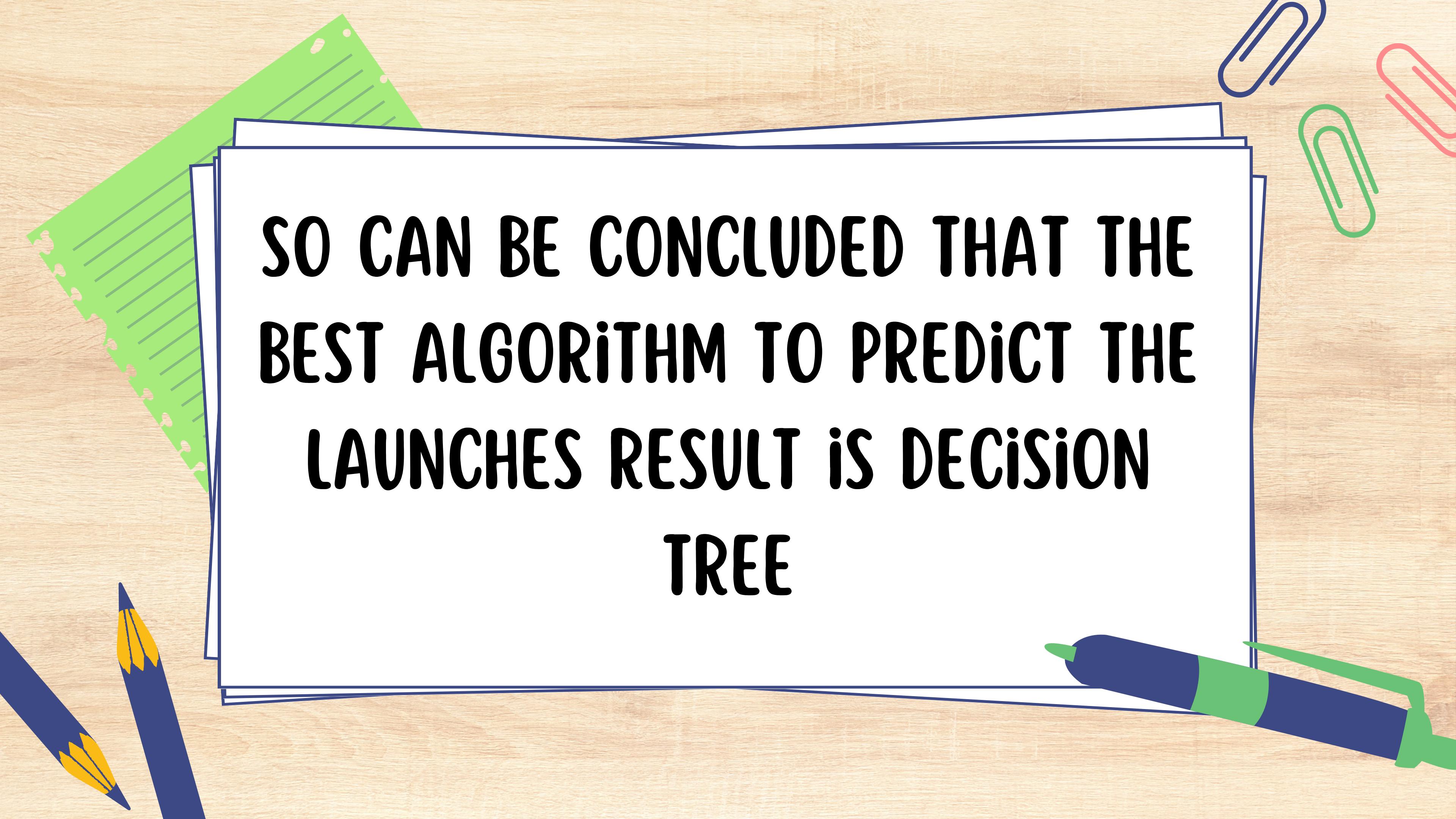
- Using dash to visualize interactive graph in specific launch site and payload range



# MACHINE LEARNING

The best machine learning result is  
Decision Tree that gives the highest  
accuracy in the train and test set.





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BEST ALGORITHM TO PREDICT THE  
LAUNCHES RESULT IS DECISION  
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