

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

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Introduction

Project background and context

In this project, we investigate how SpaceX can do rocket launches that are relatively inexpensive. SpaceX advertises Falcon 9 rocket launches on its website with a cost of 62 million dollars; other providers cost upwards of 165 million dollars each. We know that much of the savings is because SpaceX can reuse the first stage. Therefore, if we can determine if the first stage will land, we can determine the cost of a launch. Spaces X's Falcon 9 launch like regular rockets. Stage two, or the second stage, helps bring the payload to orbit, but most of the work is done by the first stage. The first stage is also much larger than the second stage. Unlike other rocket providers, SpaceX's Falcon 9 can recover the first stage. Sometimes the first stage does not land. Sometimes it will crash. Other times, Space X will sacrifice the first stage due to the mission parameters like payload, orbit, and customer. In this capstone, we will take the role of a data scientist working for a new rocket company, Space Y that would like to compete with SpaceX, founded by Billionaire industrialist Allon Musk. Our job is to determine the price of each launch. We will do this by gathering information about Space X and creating dashboards for our team. We will also determine if SpaceX will reuse the first stage. Instead of using rocket science to determine if the first stage will land successfully, we will train a machine learning model and use public information to predict if SpaceX will reuse the first stage.

Problems you want to find answers

- Predict if the SpaceX will land successfully and determine the cost of a launch
- Collect Falcon 9 historical launch records from a Wikipedia page
- Find some patterns in the data and determine what would be the label for training supervised models
- Find an optimal location for building a launch site by finding out what factors influenced the most SpaceX launches
- Predict if the first stage will land given the data from Space X, and find the method that performs best using test data



Methodology

Executive Summary

• Data collection methodology:

Data was collected using REST API and Web scraping.

Perform data wrangling

We dealt with the missing values.

Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL

We calculated the number of launches on each site, the number and occurrence of each orbit, the number and occurrence of mission outcome per orbit type, then we created a landing outcome label. After that, we used SQL queries to retrieve information about launch sites and the features that influenced them.

 Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash

We first performed Exploratory Data Analysis, then we visualized a few graphs to understand the relationships between different features and different Launch Sites or Orbits. Then we performed different Folium steps to better understand the distance between the launch sites and different points (such as the coastline, railway, and so on). Then we looked at the Launch Success Rate for different Launch Sites.

Perform predictive analysis using classification models

We standardized the data, we split the data into training and test data, then we created a logistic regression, a support vector machine, a decision tree classifier, and k nearest neighbors objects and we analyzed which was the method that performed best at predicting the landings.

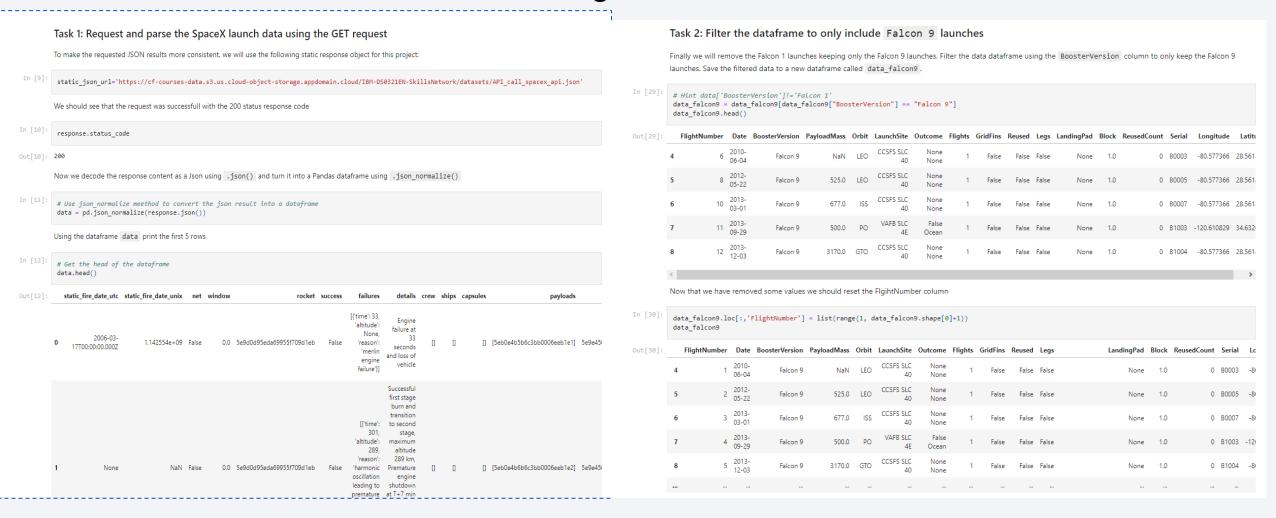
Data Collection

- Describe how data sets were collected.
- Data was collected using REST API and Web Scraping from a Wikipedia page
- You need to present your data collection process use key phrases and flowcharts
- For REST API we used the get methods and BoosterVersion method
- For Web Scraping we used BeautifulSoup method

Data Collection - SpaceX API

Link to Data Collection using REST API

For REST API we used the get and BoosterVersion methods



Data Collection - Scraping

Link to Data Collection with Web Scraping

For Web Scraping we used BeautifulSoup method and then created a dataframe

TASK 1: Request the Falcon9 Launch Wiki page from its URL First, let's perform an HTTP GET method to request the Falcon9 Launch HTML page, as an HTTP response. # use requests.get() method with the provided static_url req = requests.get(static url) # assign the response to a object response = req.text Create a BeautifulSoup object from the HTML response # Use BeautifulSoup() to create a BeautifulSoup object from a response text content soup = BeautifulSoup(response, "html.parser") Print the page title to verify if the BeautifulSoup object was created properly # Use soup.title attribute print(soup.title) <title>List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches - Wikipedia</title> TASK 2: Extract all column/variable names from the HTML table header Next, we want to collect all relevant column names from the HTML table header Let's try to find all tables on the wiki page first. If you need to refresh your memory about BeautifulSoup, please check the extern this lab # Use the find all function in the BeautifulSoup object, with element type `table` # Assign the result to a list called `html tables' html tables = soup.find all("table") html tables

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extracted_row = 0
#Extract each table
for table_number,table in enumerate(soup.find_all('table',"wikitable plainrowheaders collapsible")):
   for rows in table.find all("tr"):
       #check to see if first table heading is as number corresponding to launch a number
           if rows.th.string:
              flight_number=rows.th.string.strip()
               flag=flight_number.isdigit()
          flag=False
       #aet table element
       row=rows.find all('td')
       #if it is number save cells in a dictonary
       if flag:
           extracted row += 1
           # Fl.iaht Number value
           # TODO: Append the flight_number into launch_dict with key `Flight No.
           datatimelist=date time(row[0])
           launch_dict['Flight No.'].append(flight_number)
           print(flight_number)
           # TODO: Append the date into launch dict with key `Date
           date = datatimelist[0].strip(',')
           launch dict['Date'].append(date)
           # TODO: Append the time into launch_dict with key `Time`
           time = datatimelist[1]
           launch_dict['Time'].append(time)
           print(time)
           # TODO: Append the by into launch_dict with key `Version Booster'
            bv=booster_version(row[1])
           if not(bv):
               bv=row[1].a.string
                launch_dict['Version Booster'].append(bv)
           # TODO: Append the launch_site into launch_dict with key `Launch Site`
            launch_site = row[2].a.string
            launch_dict['Launch site'].append(launch_site)
           print(launch_site)
           # TODO: Append the payload into launch_dict with key `Payload`
            payload = row[3].a.string
            launch dict['Payload'].append(payload)
            print(payload)
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Data Wrangling

Link to EDA lab

We calculated the number of launches on each site, the number and occurrence of each orbit, the number and occurrence of mission outcome per orbit type, then we created a landing outcome label.

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TASK 1: Calculate the number of launches on each site
          The data contains several Space X launch facilities: Cape Canaveral Space Launch Complex 40 VAFB SLC 4E, Vandenberg Air Force Base Space Launch Complex 4E (SLC-
          4E), Kennedy Space Center Launch Complex 39A KSC LC 39A .The location of each Launch Is placed in the column LaunchSite
          Next, let's see the number of launches for each site.
         Use the method value counts() on the column LaunchSite to determine the number of launches on each site.
In [11]: # Apply value_counts() on column LaunchSite
          df["LaunchSite"].value_counts()
Out[11]: CCAFS SLC 40 55
         KSC LC 39A 22
          VAFB SLC 4E 13
          Name: LaunchSite, dtype: int64
           TASK 2: Calculate the number and occurrence of each orbit
           Use the method .value counts() to determine the number and occurrence of each orbit in the column Orbit
  In [12]: # Apply value_counts on Orbit column
            df["Orbit"].value_counts()
           ISS
           VLEO
           LEO
           MEO
           ES-L1
           HEO
           50
           GEO
           Name: Orbit, dtype: int64
           TASK 3: Calculate the number and occurrence of mission outcome per orbit type
           Use the method .value_counts() on the column Outcome to determine the number of landing_outcomes. Then assign it to a variable landing_outcomes.
  In [13]: # landing_outcomes = values on Outcome column
            landing_outcomes = df["Outcome"].value_counts()
            landing_outcomes
  Out[13]: True ASDS
           True RTLS
           False ASDS
           True Ocean
           False Ocean
           None ASDS
           False RTLS
           Name: Outcome, dtype: int64
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In [23]: # landing_class = 0 if bad_outcome
          # landing_class = 1 otherwise
          landing_class = []
           for outcome in df["Outcome"]:
              if outcome in bad_outcomes:
                   landing class.append(0)
                   landing class.append(1)
          This variable will represent the classification variable that represents the outcome of each launch. If the value is zero, the first stage did not land successfully; one means
          the first stage landed Successfully
           df['Class']=landing_class
          df[['Class']].head(8)
            Class
          df.head(5)
            FlightNumber Date BoosterVersion PayloadMass Orbit LaunchSite Outcome Flights GridFins Reused Legs LandingPad Block ReusedCount Serial
                                      Falcon 9 6104.959412 LEO
                                                                                              False False False
                                                                                                                        NaN 1.0
                                                                                                                                              0 B0003 -80.577366 28.5
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EDA with Data Visualization

Link to EDA with Visualization

We used scatter plots to show the dependency relationship of different attributes between each other, such as:

- Launch Site and Flight Number
- Launch Site and Payload Mass
- Orbit and Flight Number
- Orbit and Payload Mass

We also used a bar chart and a line chart:

- To see the success rate of each orbit
- To get the average launch success trend by year

After that, we also predicted the impact of different features using Features Engineering with dummy variables.

EDA with SQL

Link to EDA with SQL

- We found out the unique launch sites in the space mission
- We displayed the launch sites beginning with 'CCA'
- We displayed the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
- We displayed average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
- We listed the date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was achieved
- We listed the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000
- We listed the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
- We listed the names of the booster versions which have carried the maximum payload mass. Use a subquery
- We listed the failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015
- We ranked the count of landing outcomes (such as Failure (drone ship) or Success (ground pad)) between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20, in descending order

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

Link to Interactive
Visual Analytics with
Folium

- We created circles and markers for each launch site (CCAFS LC-40, CCAFS SLC-40, KSC LC-39A, VAFB SLC-4E) so we can answer the following questions:
 - Are all launch sites in proximity to the Equator line?
 - Are all launch sites in very close proximity to the coast?
- Then we created circles and coordinates to see the distance from the launch site locations and the coastline, and other places such as railway, highway, etc., so we can answer the following questions:
 - Are launch sites in close proximity to railways?
 - Are launch sites in close proximity to highways?
 - Are launch sites in close proximity to coastline?
 - Do launch sites keep certain distance away from cities?

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

Link to Interactive

Dashboard with Ploty

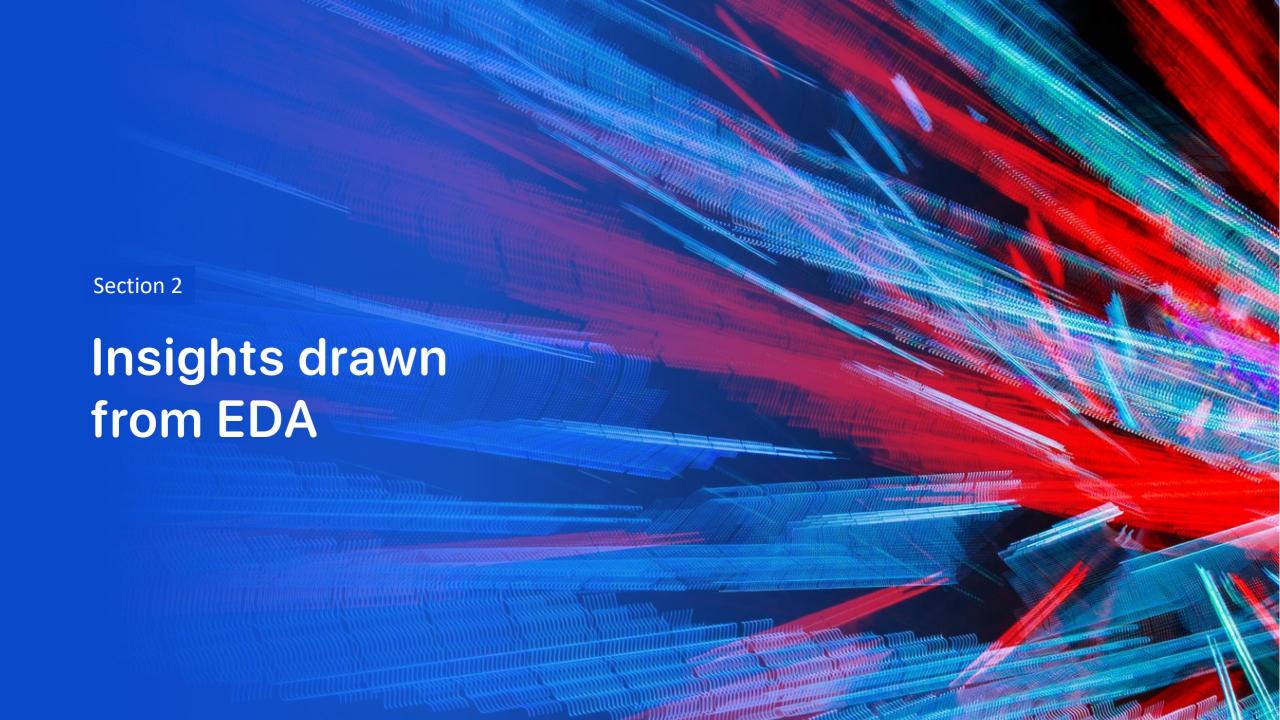
Dash

- We created a dropdown so users can choose a Launch Site
- We created a success pie chart so visitors can see the outcomes pie chart for a selected site
- We created a success payload scatter chart to show the correlation between payload and launch success
- And finally we created a pie chart so that users can see the success rate for the selected site

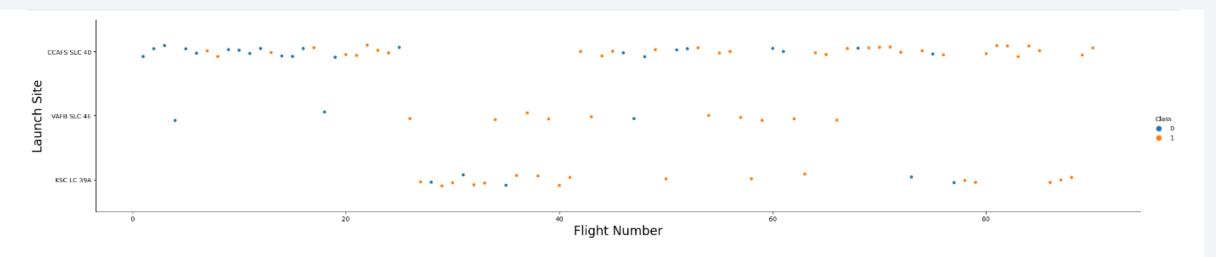
- We standardized the data using build in preprocessing transformations.
- We split the data into training and test data using the function train_test_split.
- Then we created a logistic regression, a support vector machine, a decision tree classifier, and k nearest neighbors objects using GridSearchCV objects.
- After that, we analyzed which was the method that performed best at predicting the landings based on the r² accuracy score of each method.

Results

- Based on the exploratory data analysis results, we can conclude the best methods to use for our data are the Logistic Regression, the SVM, and the KNN.
- We will further show analytics in screenshots



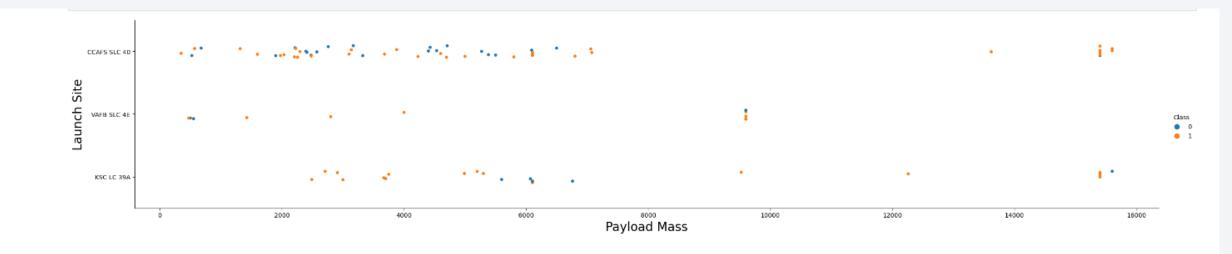
Flight Number vs. Launch Site



Now try to explain the patterns you found in the Flight Number vs. Launch Site scatter point plots.

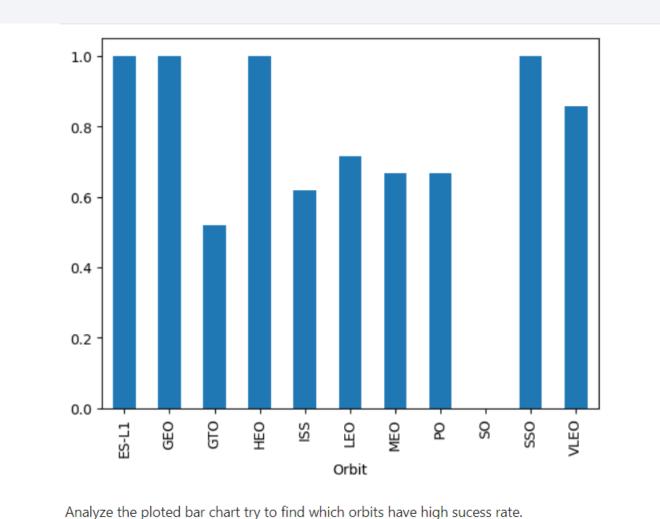
We can see that KSC LC-39A Launch Site has the majority of the success rate between approx 25% and approx 45%, VAFB SLC 4E has the majority of the success rate between approx 30% and 65%, and CCAFS LC-40 has the majority of success rate between 40% and 100%

Payload vs. Launch Site



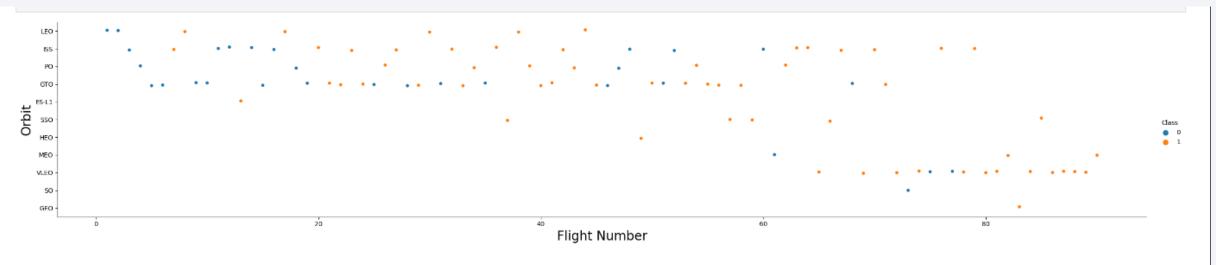
Now if you observe Payload Vs. Launch Site scatter point chart you will find for the VAFB-SLC launchsite there are no rockets launched for heavypayload mass(greater than 10000).

Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



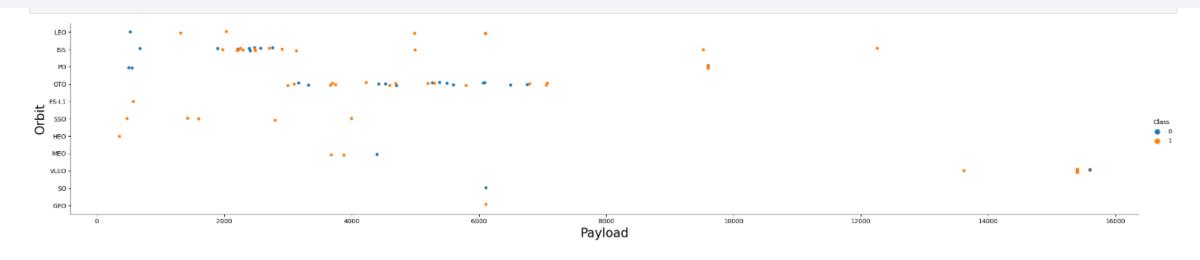
Orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO, and SSO had the best success rate, followed closely by VLEO

Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



You should see that in the LEO orbit the Success appears related to the number of flights; on the other hand, there seems to be no relationship between flight number when in GTO orbit.

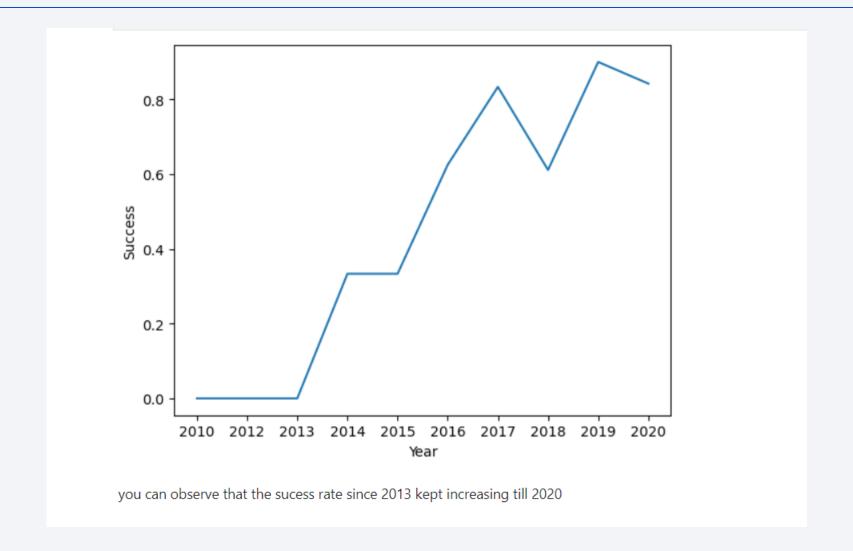
Payload vs. Orbit Type



With heavy payloads the successful landing or positive landing rate are more for Polar, LEO and ISS.

However for GTO we cannot distinguish this well as both positive landing rate and negative landing (unsuccessful mission) are both there here.

Launch Success Yearly Trend



All Launch Site Names

Task 1 Display the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission In [11]: **%%sql** SELECT DISTINCT launch_site FROM spacex; * ibm db sa://swx90196:***@815fa4db-dc03-4c70-869a-a9cc13f33084.bs2io90108kqb1od8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:30367/bludb Done. launch site Out[11]: CCAFS LC-40 CCAFS SLC-40 KSC LC-39A VAFB SLC-4E

We used DISTINCT to display unique names of sites

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

Task 2 Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA' In [12]: **%%sql** SELECT * FROM spacex WHERE launch site LIKE '%CCA%' LIMIT 5; * ibm db sa://swx90196:***@815fa4db-dc03-4c70-869a-a9cc13f33084.bs2io90108kqb1od8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:30367/bludb Done. DATE time_utc booster_version launch_site payload payload_mass_kg_ Out[12]: orbit customer mission outcome landing outcome Failure (parachute) 2010-06-04 18:45:00 F9 v1.0 B0003 CCAFS LC-40 Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit LEO SpaceX F9 v1.0 B0004 CCAFS LC-40 Dragon demo flight C1, two CubeSats, barrel of Brouere cheese Failure (parachute) 2010-12-08 15:43:00 0 LEO (ISS) NASA (COTS) NRO 2012-05-22 F9 v1.0 B0005 CCAFS LC-40 7:44:00 Dragon demo flight C2 525 LEO (ISS) NASA (COTS) Success No attempt F9 v1.0 B0006 CCAFS LC-40 2012-10-08 0:35:00 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

We used LIKE and "%...%" to find out the names that begin with 'CCA'

Total Payload Mass

Task 3

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

We used SUM to find out the total payload mass

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

Task 4

Display average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

We used AVG to find out the average payload mass carried by booster F9 v1.1

First Successful Ground Landing Date

Task 5

List the date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was acheived.

Hint:Use min function

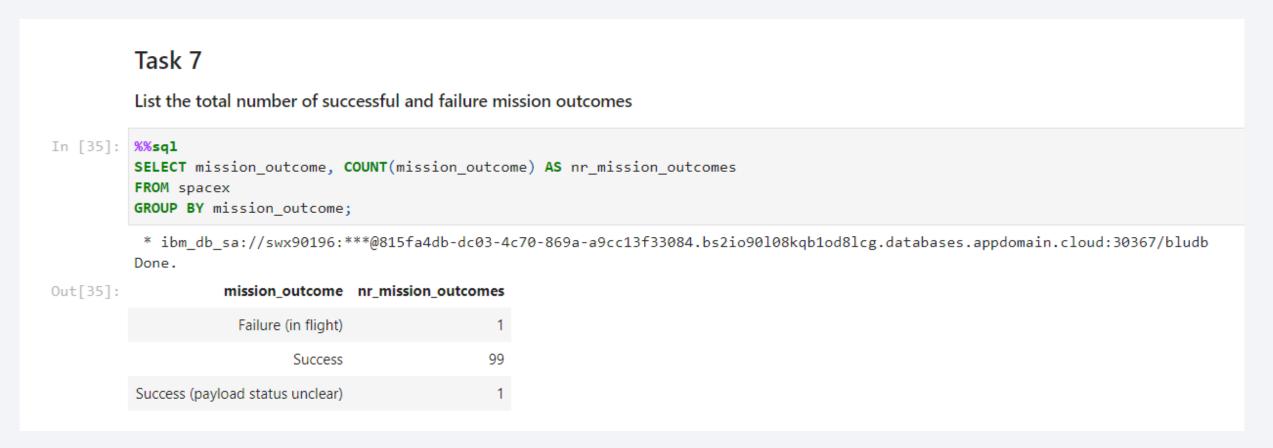
We used MIN to find the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

Task 6 List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000 In [34]: **%%sql SELECT** booster version, payload mass kg FROM spacex WHERE landing outcome = 'Success (drone ship)' AND payload mass kg BETWEEN 4000 AND 6000; * ibm db sa://swx90196:***@815fa4db-dc03-4c70-869a-a9cc13f33084.bs2io90l08kqb1od8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:30367/bludb Done. Out[34]: booster_version payload_mass_kg_ F9 FT B1022 4696 F9 FT B1026 4600 F9 FT B1021.2 5300 F9 FT B1031.2 5200

We used 2 conditions (WHERE ... = ... AND ... BETWEEN ... AND ...) to list the names of boosters which have successfully landed on drone ship and had payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000

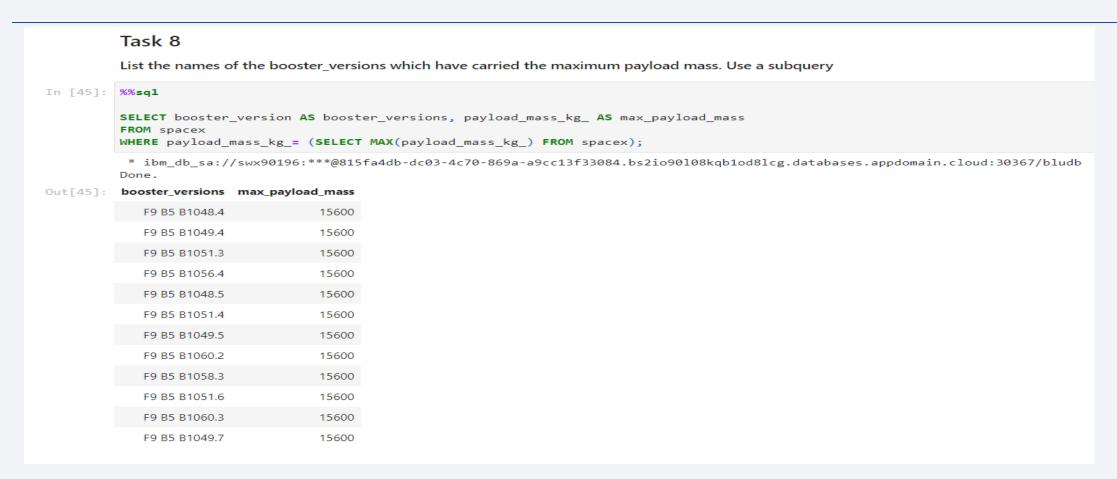
Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes



We used COUNT and GROUP BY to calculate the total number of successful and to show the failure mission outcomes

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Boosters Carried Maximum Payload



We used a subquery to list the names of the booster which have carried the maximum payload mass

2015 Launch Records

Task 9

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

We used YEAR(column) to list the failed landing_outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015

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

Task 10

Rank the count of landing outcomes (such as Failure (drone ship) or Success (ground pad)) between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20, in descending order

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In [148...

**Sql

SELECT landing_outcome, COUNT(landing_outcome) AS counted_landings,
FROM spacex

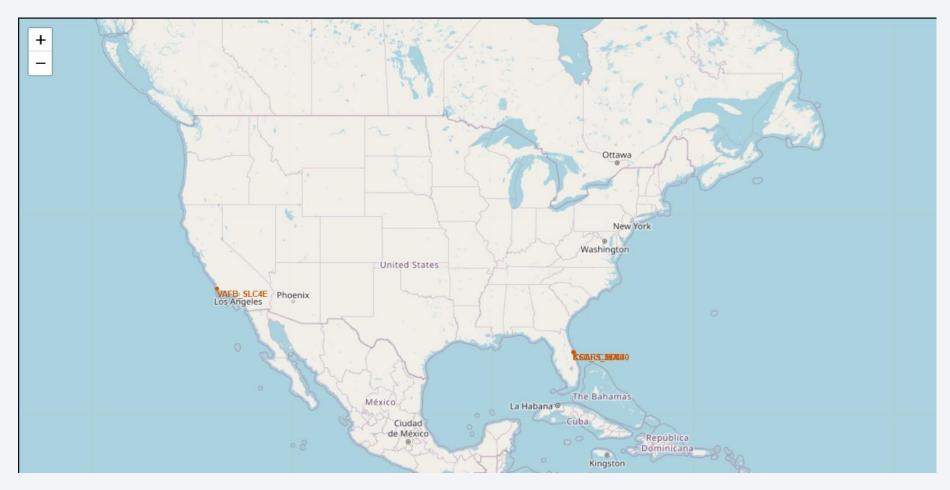
WHERE DATE BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20'

GROUP BY landing_outcome
ORDER BY COUNT(landing_outcome) DESC;
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We used COUNT, GROUP BY and ORDER BY to rank the count of landing outcomes (such as Failure (drone ship) or Success (ground pad)) between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20, in descending order



Location of all the Launch Sites



We can see that all the locations of the launch sites are close to the coastlines.

Launch Sites with color labels



We can see that the launch sites have color labels now.

Green represents successful launches.

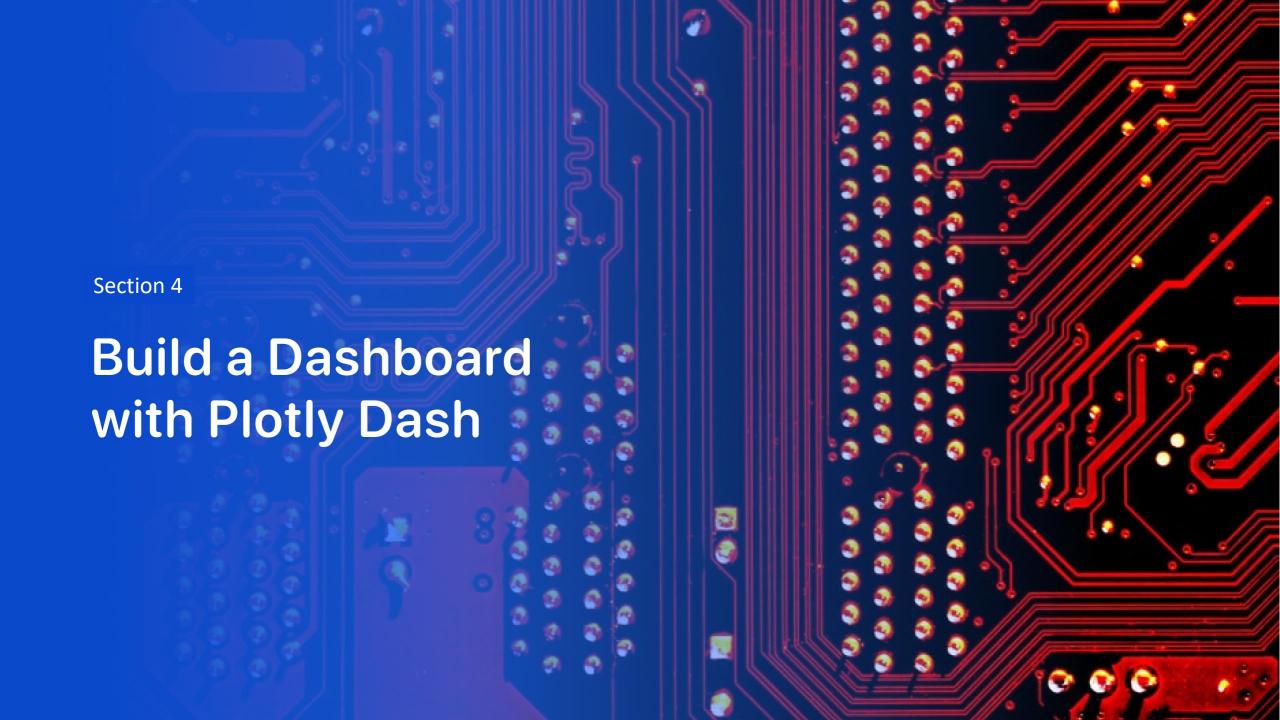
Red represents unsuccessful launches.

Launch Sites Distance to Coastline



We can see the blue line drawn from the launching site to the coastline.

Where the line ends, near the coastline, we can see with red a number that represents the number of km from the launch site to the coast line.

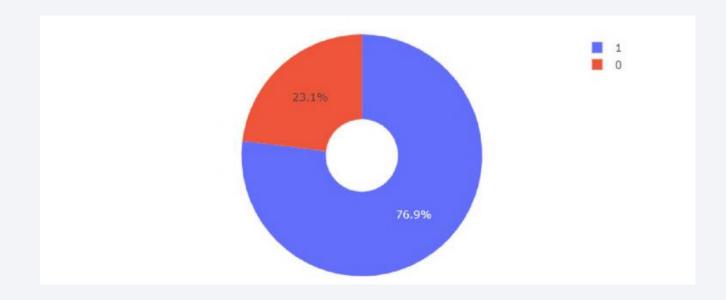


Launch Sites Success



We created a pie chart so visitors can see the differences between all the launch sites

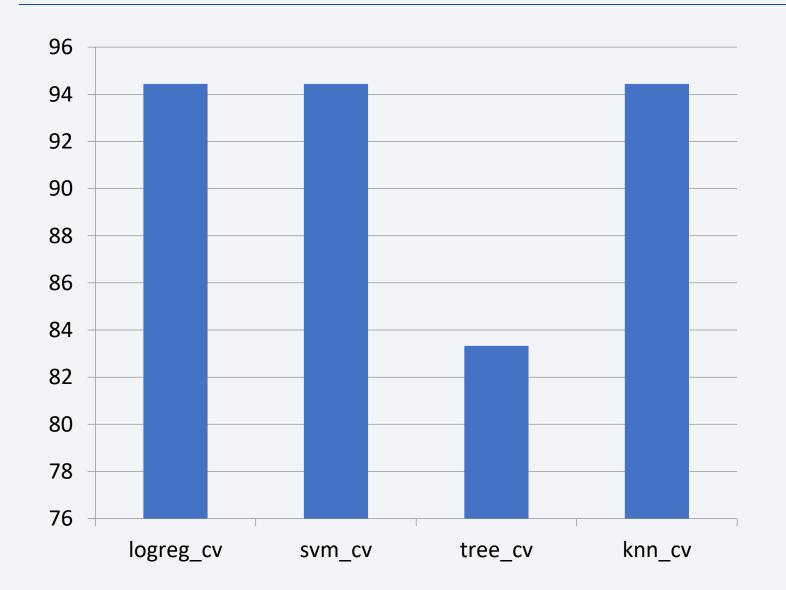
Success Rate



We created a success pie chart so visitors can see the difference between successful (blue) and failure (red) for a selected site



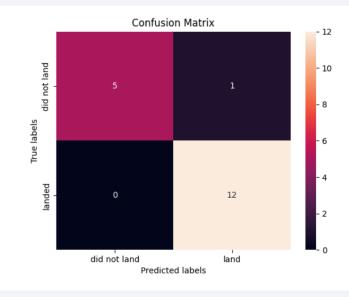
Classification Accuracy



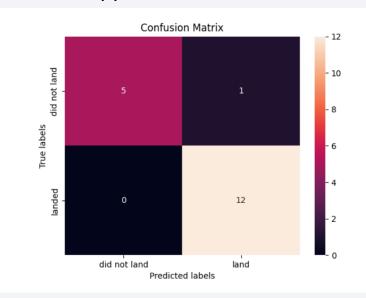
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Confusion Matrix

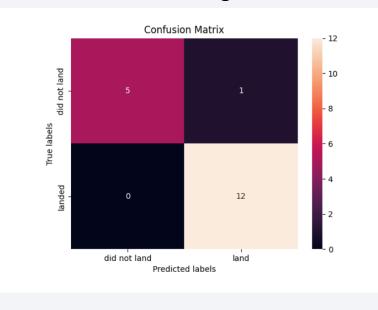
Logistic Regression

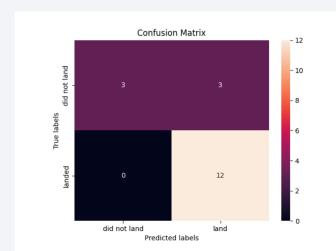


Support Vector Machine



K Nearest Neighbors





Decision Tree As we can see, best methods for predictions are Logistic Regression, Support Vector Machine, and KNN

Conclusions

- We can conclude the best methods to use for our data are the Logistic Regression, the SVM, and the KNN.
- The first successful landing outcome in ground pad was achieved in 2015, on 22 of December
- Orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO, and SSO had the best success rate, followed closely by VLEO
- Between all launch sites, the KSC LC 39A site had the most success

