



SpaceX Falcon 9 First Stage Landing Prediction

Assignment: Exploring and Preparing Data

Estimated time needed: **70** minutes

In this assignment, we will predict if the Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully. SpaceX 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 due to the fact that SpaceX can reuse the first stage.

In this lab, you will perform Exploratory Data Analysis and Feature Engineering.

Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully





Most unsuccessful landings are planned. Space X performs a controlled landing in the oceans.

Objectives

Perform exploratory Data Analysis and Feature Engineering using `Pandas` and `Matplotlib`

- Exploratory Data Analysis
- Preparing Data Feature Engineering

Import Libraries and Define Auxiliary Functions

We will import the following libraries the lab

```
[1]: import piplite
      await piplite.install(['numpy'])
      await piplite.install(['pandas'])
      await piplite.install(['seaborn'])

[2]: # pandas is a software library written for the Python programming language for data manipulation and analysis.
      import pandas as pd
      #NumPy is a library for the Python programming language, adding support for large, multi-dimensional arrays and matrices, along with a large collection of high-level mathematical functions.
      import numpy as np
      # Matplotlib is a plotting library for python and pyplot gives us a MatLab like plotting framework. We will use this in our plotter function to plot data.
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

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<ipython-input-2-cde6ab162d36>:2: DeprecationWarning:
Pyarrow will become a required dependency of pandas in the next major release of pandas (pandas 3.0),
(to allow more performant data types, such as the Arrow string type, and better interoperability with other libraries)
but was not found to be installed on your system.
If this would cause problems for you,
please provide us feedback at https://github.com/pandas-dev/pandas/issues/54466
```

First, let's read the SpaceX dataset into a Pandas dataframe and print its summary

```
from js import fetch
import io

URL = "https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DS0321EN-SkillsNetwork/datasets/dataset_part_2.csv"
resp = await fetch(URL)
dataset_part_2_csv = io.BytesIO((await resp.arrayBuffer()).to_py())
df=pd.read_csv(dataset_part_2_csv)
df.head(5)
```

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1	2	2012-05-22	Falcon 9	525.000000	LEO	CCAFS SLC 40	None None	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0	0	80005	-80.577366	28.5618
2	3	2013-03-01	Falcon 9	677.000000	ISS	CCAFS SLC 40	None None	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0	0	80007	-80.577366	28.5618
3	4	2013-09-29	Falcon 9	500.000000	PO	VAFB SLC 4E	False Ocean	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0	0	81003	-120.610829	34.6320
		2013-12-02	Falcon 9	500.000000	PO	CCAFS SLC 40	None None	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0	0	81004	-120.610829	34.6320

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4	5	2013-12-03	Falcon 9	3170.000000	GTO	CCAFS SLC 40	None None	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0	0	B1004	-80.577366	28.5618

First, let's try to see how the `FlightNumber` (indicating the continuous launch attempts.) and `Payload` variables would affect the launch outcome.

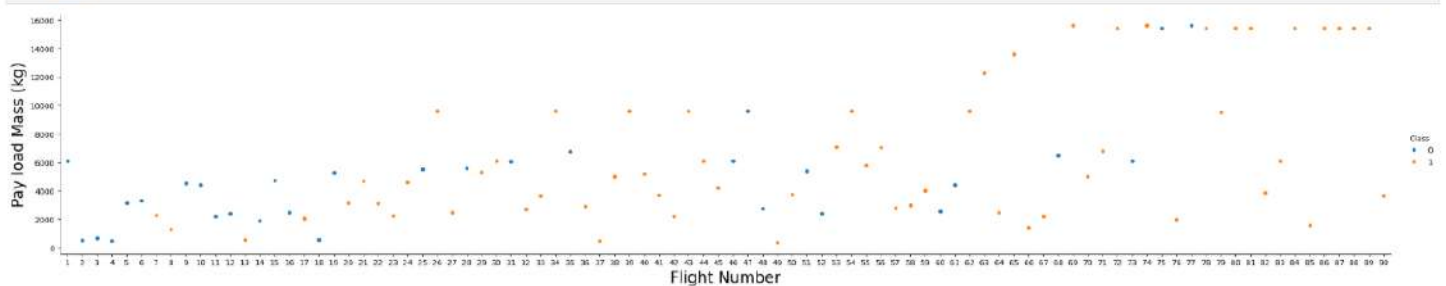
We can plot out the `FlightNumber` vs. `PayloadMass` and overlay the outcome of the launch. We see that as the flight number increases, the first stage is more likely to land successfully. The payload mass also appears to be a factor; even with more massive payloads, the first stage often returns successfully.

[4]:

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



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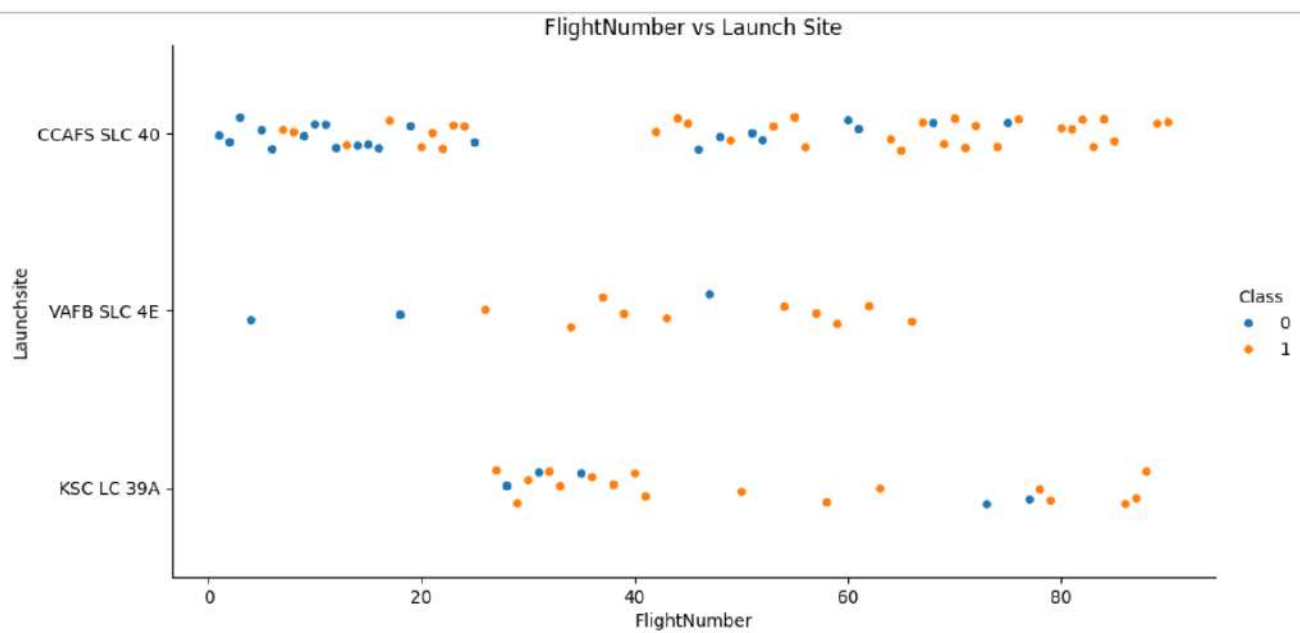
Next, let's drill down to each site visualize its detailed launch records.

TASK 1: Visualize the relationship between Flight Number and Launch Site

Use the function `catplot` to plot `FlightNumber` vs `LaunchSite`, set the parameter `x` parameter to `FlightNumber`, set the `y` to `Launch Site` and set the parameter `hue` to `'class'`

```
[9]: # Plot a scatter point chart with x axis to be Flight Number and y axis to be the Launch site, and hue to be the class value
sns.catplot(x='FlightNumber', y='LaunchSite', hue='Class', data=df, aspect=2, height=5)
plt.title('FlightNumber vs Launch Site')
plt.xlabel('FlightNumber')
plt.ylabel('LaunchSite')
plt.show()
```

FlightNumber vs Launch Site



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

TASK 2: Visualize the relationship between Payload Mass and Launch Site

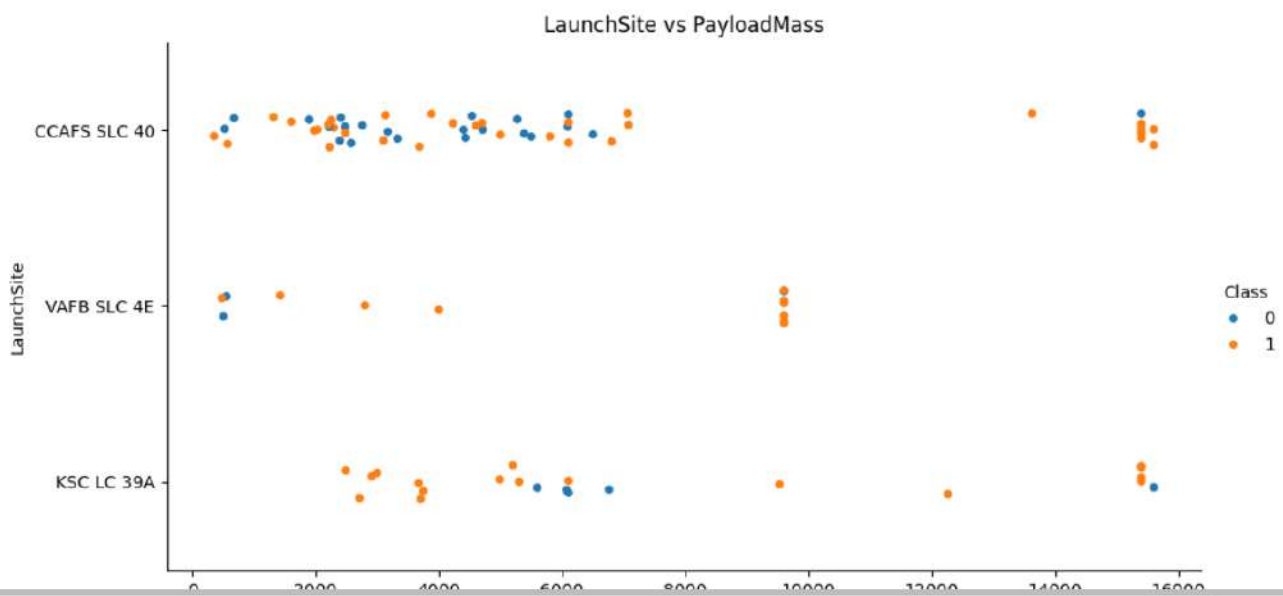
We also want to observe if there is any relationship between launch sites and their payload mass.

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[12]: # Plot a scatter point chart with x axis to be Pay Load Mass (kg) and y axis to be the launch site, and hue to be the class value
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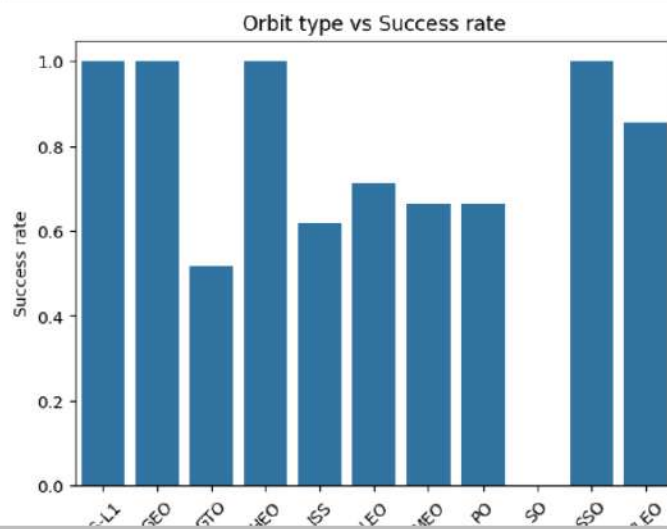
```
[12]: # Plot a scatter point chart with x axis to be Pay Load Mass (kg) and y axis to be the Launch site, and hue to be the class value
sns.catplot(x='PayloadMass',y='LaunchSite',hue='Class',data=df,aspect=2,height=5)
plt.ylabel('LaunchSite')
plt.xlabel('PayloadMass')
plt.title('LaunchSite vs PayloadMass')
plt.show()
```



Next, we want to visually check if there are any relationship between success rate and orbit type.

Let's create a `bar chart` for the success rate of each orbit

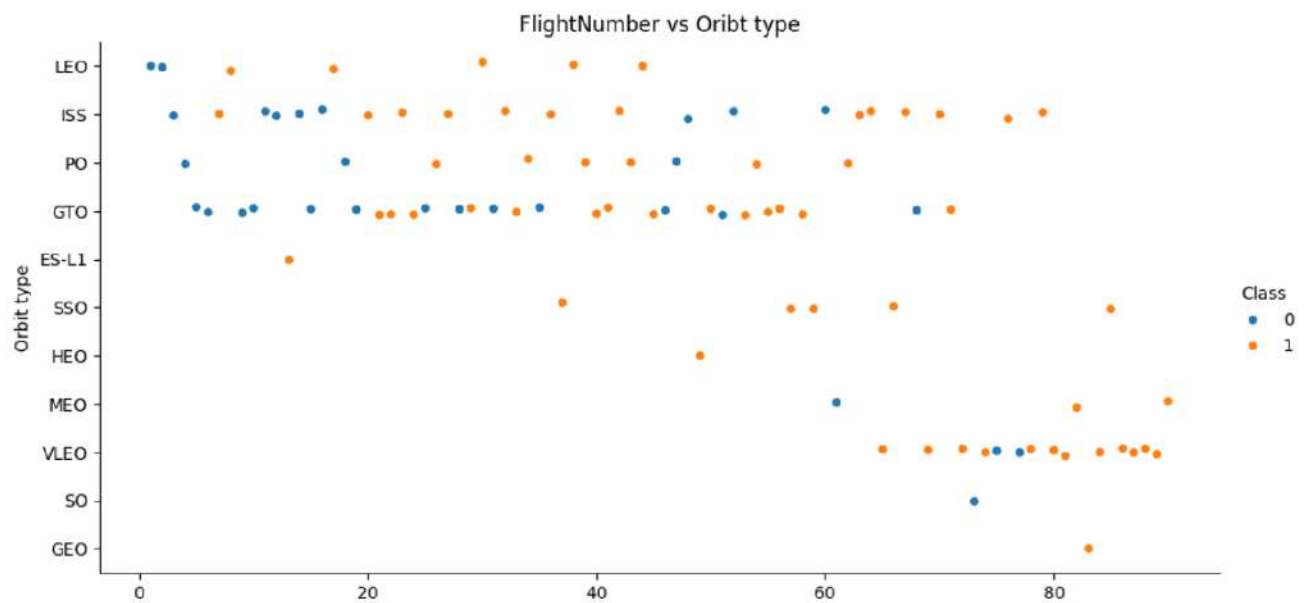
```
[23]: # HINT use groupby method on Orbit column and get the mean of Class column
orbit_success=df.groupby('Orbit')['Class'].mean().reset_index()
sns.barplot(x='Orbit',y='Class',data=orbit_success)
plt.xlabel('Orbit')
plt.ylabel('Success rate')
plt.title('Orbit type vs Success rate')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.show()
```



TASK 4: Visualize the relationship between FlightNumber and Orbit type

For each orbit, we want to see if there is any relationship between FlightNumber and Orbit type.

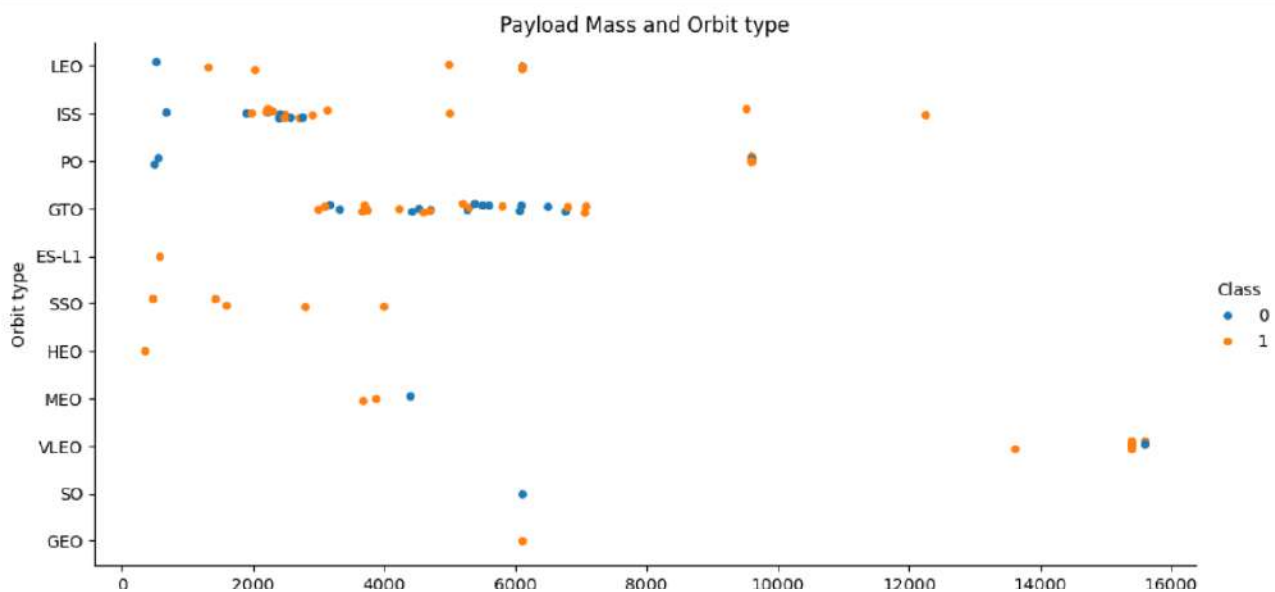
```
[15]: # Plot a scatter point chart with x axis to be FlightNumber and y axis to be the Orbit, and hue to be the class value
sns.catplot(x='FlightNumber', y='Orbit', hue='Class', data=df, aspect=2, height=5)
plt.title('FlightNumber vs Orbit type')
plt.xlabel('FlightNumber')
plt.ylabel('Orbit type')
plt.show()
```



TASK 5: Visualize the relationship between Payload Mass and Orbit type

Similarly, we can plot the Payload Mass vs. Orbit scatter point charts to reveal the relationship between Payload Mass and Orbit type

```
[17]: # Plot a scatter point chart with x axis to be Payload Mass and y axis to be the Orbit, and hue to be the class value
sns.catplot(x='PayloadMass', y='Orbit', hue='Class', data=df, aspect=2, height=5)
plt.xlabel('Payload Mass')
plt.ylabel('Orbit type')
plt.title("Payload Mass and Orbit type")
plt.show()
```



However, for GTO, it's difficult to distinguish between successful and unsuccessful landings as both outcomes are present.

TASK 6: Visualize the launch success yearly trend

You can plot a line chart with x axis to be `Year` and y axis to be average success rate, to get the average launch success trend.

The function will help you get the year from the date:

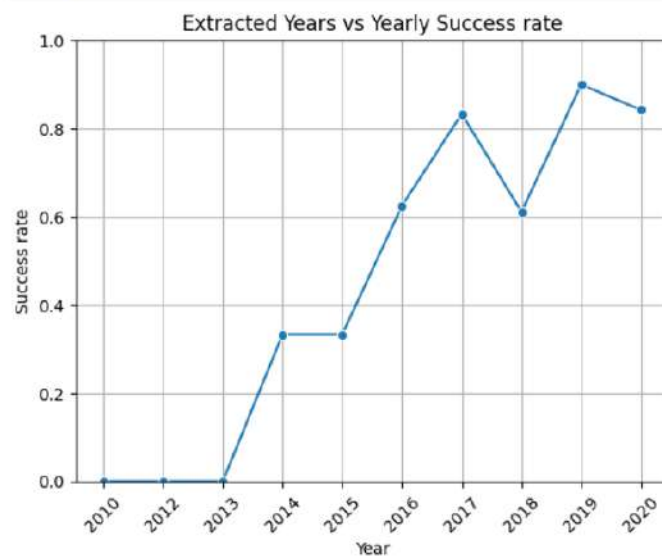
[24]:

```
# A function to Extract years from the date
year=[]
def Extract_year():
    for i in df["Date"]:
        year.append(i.split("-")[0])
    return year
Extract_year()
df['Date'] = year
df.head()
```

[24]:

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```
plt.title('Extracted Years vs Yearly Success rate')
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Success rate')
plt.xticks(rotation=45)
plt.ylim(0, 1)
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



you can observe that the success rate since 2013 kept increasing till 2020

Feature Engineering

Features Engineering

By now, you should obtain some preliminary insights about how each important variable would affect the success rate, we will select the features that will be used in success prediction in the future module.

```
[30]: features = df[['FlightNumber', 'PayloadMass', 'Orbit', 'LaunchSite', 'Flights', 'GridFins', 'Reused', 'Legs', 'LandingPad', 'Block', 'ReusedCount', 'Serial']]
features.head()
```

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[30]:
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3	4	500.000000	PO	VAFB SLC 4E	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0	0	B1003
4	5	3170.000000	GTO	CCAFS SLC 40	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0	0	B1004

TASK 7: Create dummy variables to categorical columns

Use the function `get_dummies` and `features` dataframe to apply OneHotEncoder to the column `Orbits`, `LaunchSite`, `LandingPad`, and `Serial`. Assign the value to the variable `features_one_hot`, display the results using the method `head`. Your result dataframe must include all features including the encoded ones.

```
[48]: # HINT: Use get_dummies() function on the categorical columns
features_one_hot=pd.get_dummies(features,columns=[ 'Orbit', 'LaunchSite', 'LandingPad', 'Serial'])
```

TASK 8: Cast all numeric columns to float64

Now that our `features_one_hot` dataframe only contains numbers, cast the entire dataframe to variable type `float64`

```
[51]: # HINT: use astype function
features_one_hot.dtypes
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[51]:

	FlightNumber	PayloadMass	Flights	GridFins	Reused	Legs	Block	ReusedCount	Orbit_ES-L1	Orbit_GEO	...	Serial_B1048	Serial_B1049	Serial_B1050	Serial_B1051	Serial_...
0	1.0	6104.959412	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1	2.0	525.000000	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	3.0	677.000000	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	4.0	500.000000	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	5.0	3170.000000	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
...
85	86.0	15400.000000	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
86	87.0	15400.000000	3.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
87	88.0	15400.000000	6.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
88	89.0	15400.000000	3.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
89	90.0	3681.000000	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

90 rows x 80 columns



```
[4]: df['LaunchSite'].unique()

[4]: array(['CCAFS SLC 40', 'VAFB SLC 4E', 'KSC LC 39A'], dtype=object)
```