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# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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# Executive Summary

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## Summary of methodologies

- Collecting data from public SpaceX API and SpaceX Wikipedia page by web scrapping at first stage;
- Transforming a Categorical variable to be a dependent variable to classify the success and failure landing;
- Exploratory data analysis using SQL, pandas, visualization, folium maps, and dashboard.
- Gathering relevant columns to be used as features. Changed all categorical variables to binary using one hot encoding.
- Standardizing data and using GridSearchCV to find best parameters for machine learning models. Visualize accuracy score of all models.

## Summary of all results

- Using four machine learning algorithms for classification: Logistic Regression, Support Vector Machine, Decision Tree Classifier, and K Nearest Neighbors;
- Using the best parameters founded by GridSearshCV ,All models produced similar results with accuracy rate equal to 83.33% with similar precision, recall and F1\_score.
- All models over predicted successful landings. More data is needed for better model determination and accuracy.

# Introduction

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## Background

- Commercial Space Age is Here
- Space X has best pricing (\$62 million vs. \$165 million USD)
- Largely due to ability to recover part of rocket (Stage 1)
- Space Y wants to compete with Space X

Space X

vs

Space Y

## Problem:

Space Y want to predict successful Stage 1 recovery;

=>For that , the company ask us to build a machine Learning classification to predict successful stage 1 recovery



Section 1

# Methodology

# Methodology

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## Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
  - Combining data from SpaceX public API and SpaceX Wikipedia page web scrapping
- Perform data wrangling
  - Classifying landings as success and failure landing
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
  - Tuning models using GridSearchCV to find the best parameters for every model chosen

# Data Collection

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Data collection process involved a combination of API requests from Space X public API and web scraping data from a table in Space X's Wikipedia entry.

The features extracted using the methods below are:

- ***Data Columns founded by Space X API :***

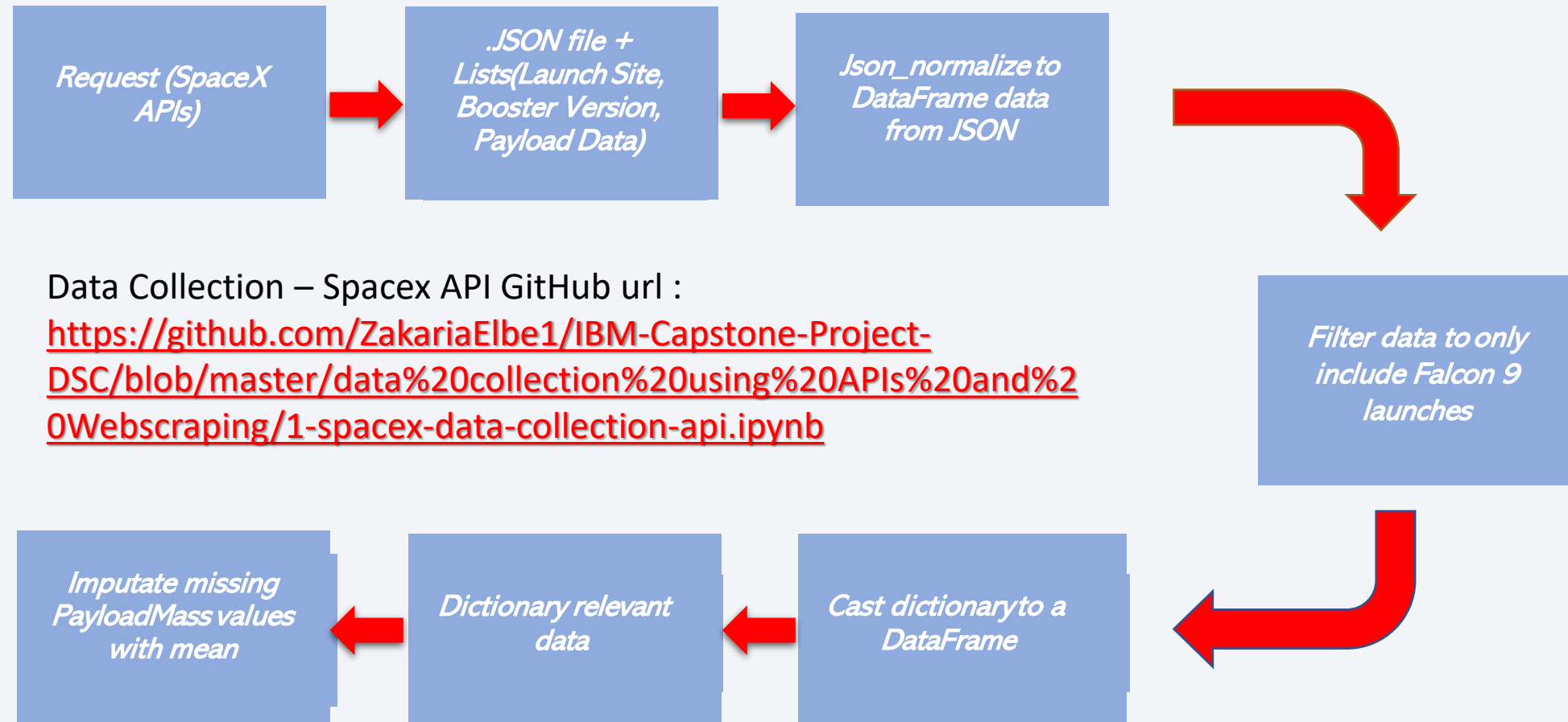
FlightNumber, Date, BoosterVersion, PayloadMass, Orbit, LaunchSite, Outcome, Flights, GridFins, Reused, Legs, LandingPad, Block, ReusedCount, Serial, Longitude, Latitude

- ***Data Columns founded by web scraping the Wikipedia Sapce X page:***

Flight No., Launch site, Payload, PayloadMass, Orbit, Customer, Launch outcome, Version Booster, Booster landing, Date, Time

# Data Collection – SpaceX API

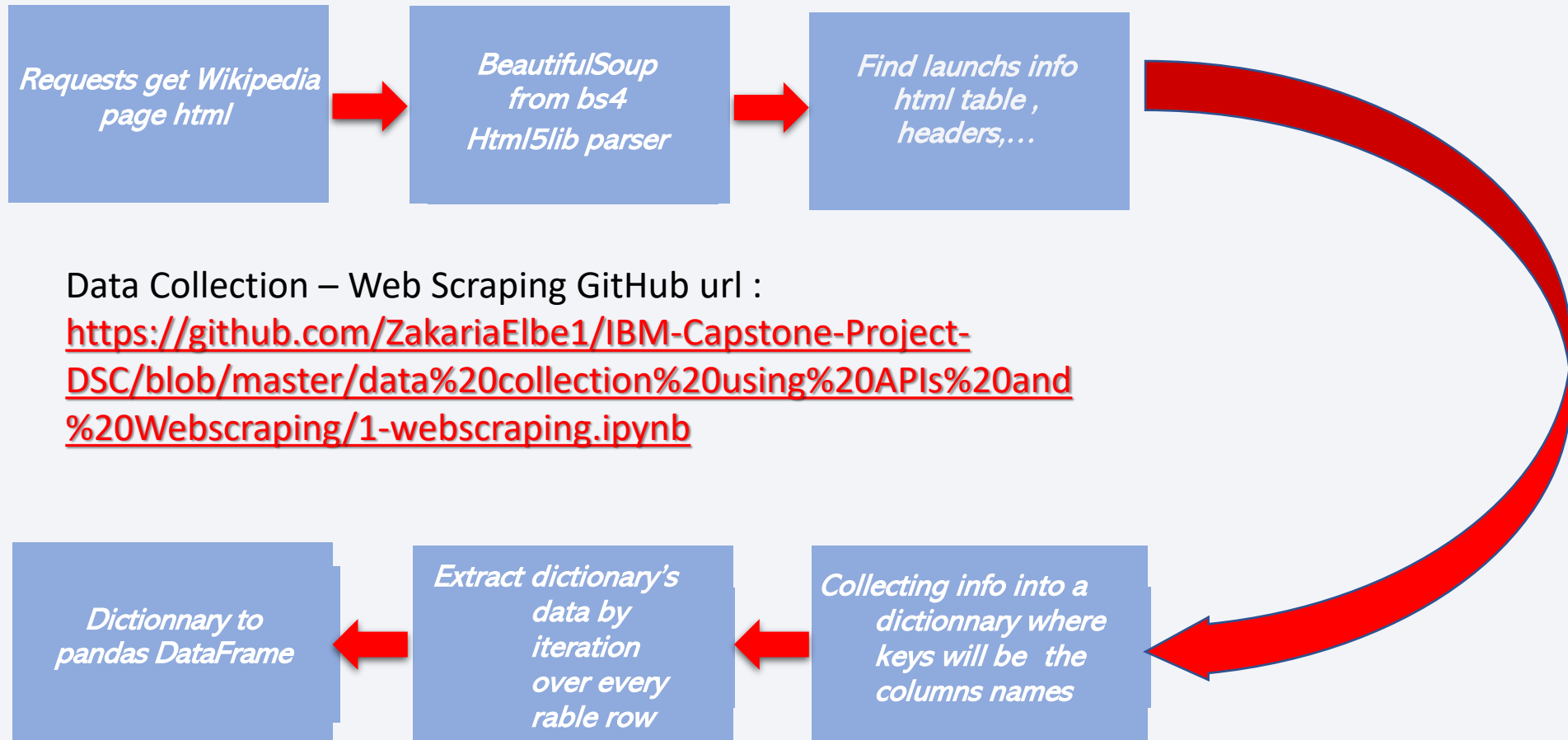
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# Data Collection – Web Scraping

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# Data Wrangling

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- Data transformation : transforming landing outcomes feature from categorical to numeric data; successful = 1 and failure = 0.
- New label column 'class' was created (it's our dependent variable or target) with a value of 1 if 'Mission Outcome' is True and 0 otherwise. Value Mapping:
  - True ASDS, True RTLS, & True Ocean – set to value 1
  - None None, False ASDS, None ASDS, False Ocean, False RTLS – set to value 0

Data Wrangling GitHub url :

<https://github.com/ZakariaElbe1/IBM-Capstone-Project-DSC/blob/master/EDA%20of%20Falcon9%20data/2-spacex-Data%20wrangling.ipynb>

# EDA with Data Visualization

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- Exploratory Data Analysis performed on variables Flight Number, Payload Mass, Launch Site, Orbit, Class and Year. The main goal from using this process is to define the relationship between features.

- Plots Used:

- Flight Number vs. Payload Mass,
- Flight Number vs. Launch Site,
- Payload Mass vs. Launch Site,
- Orbit vs. Success Rate,
- Flight Number vs. Orbit,
- Payload vs Orbit
- Success Yearly Trend

EDA with data visualization GitHub url :

<https://github.com/ZakariaElbe1/IBM-Capstone-Project-DSC/blob/master/EDA%20of%20Falcon9%20data/2-eda-dataviz.ipynb>

- Scatter plots, line charts, and bar plots were used to compare relationships between variables to decide if a relationship exists so that they could be used in training the machine learning model

# EDA with SQL

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Using SQL for Exploratory Data Analysis , we were able to:

- Understand the SpaceX DataSet
- Load the dataset into the corresponding table in a Db2 database
- Execute SQL queries for better understanding our data, such as : informations between features (launch site names, mission outcomes, various pay load sizes of customers and booster versions, and landing outcomes)

*EDA with SQL Github url :*

<https://github.com/ZakariaElbe1/IBM-Capstone-Project-DSC/blob/master/EDA%20of%20Falcon9%20data/2-eda-sql-coursera.ipynb>

# Build an Interactive Map with Folium

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The launch success rate depend on the location and proximities of a launch site, for that , we used an interactive map to mark launch sites on map with success rate for each site. For that many objects was created and added to a map using the folium library, such as :

- **Markers** : used to mark a specific site or pinning it geographically using geographic coordinates, it's a way to interpret coordinates to visualize closeness between launch sites
- **Circles** : used to mark a site area as circle by giving a radius and color where the circle's center is a marker already created;
- **Markers cluster** : used for clustering markers on each site by grouping its by a feature, in our situation ,success/failed launch was the feature to split markers by
- **Line** : shows connection between site and a specific chosen location, but before that, we must calculate distance between the two points

Interactive map with Folium Github url :

[https://github.com/ZakariaElbe1/IBM-Capstone-Project-DSC/blob/master/Launch%20sites%20locations%20and%20Dashboard%20for%20analysis/lab\\_jupyter\\_launch\\_site\\_location.ipynb](https://github.com/ZakariaElbe1/IBM-Capstone-Project-DSC/blob/master/Launch%20sites%20locations%20and%20Dashboard%20for%20analysis/lab_jupyter_launch_site_location.ipynb)



# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

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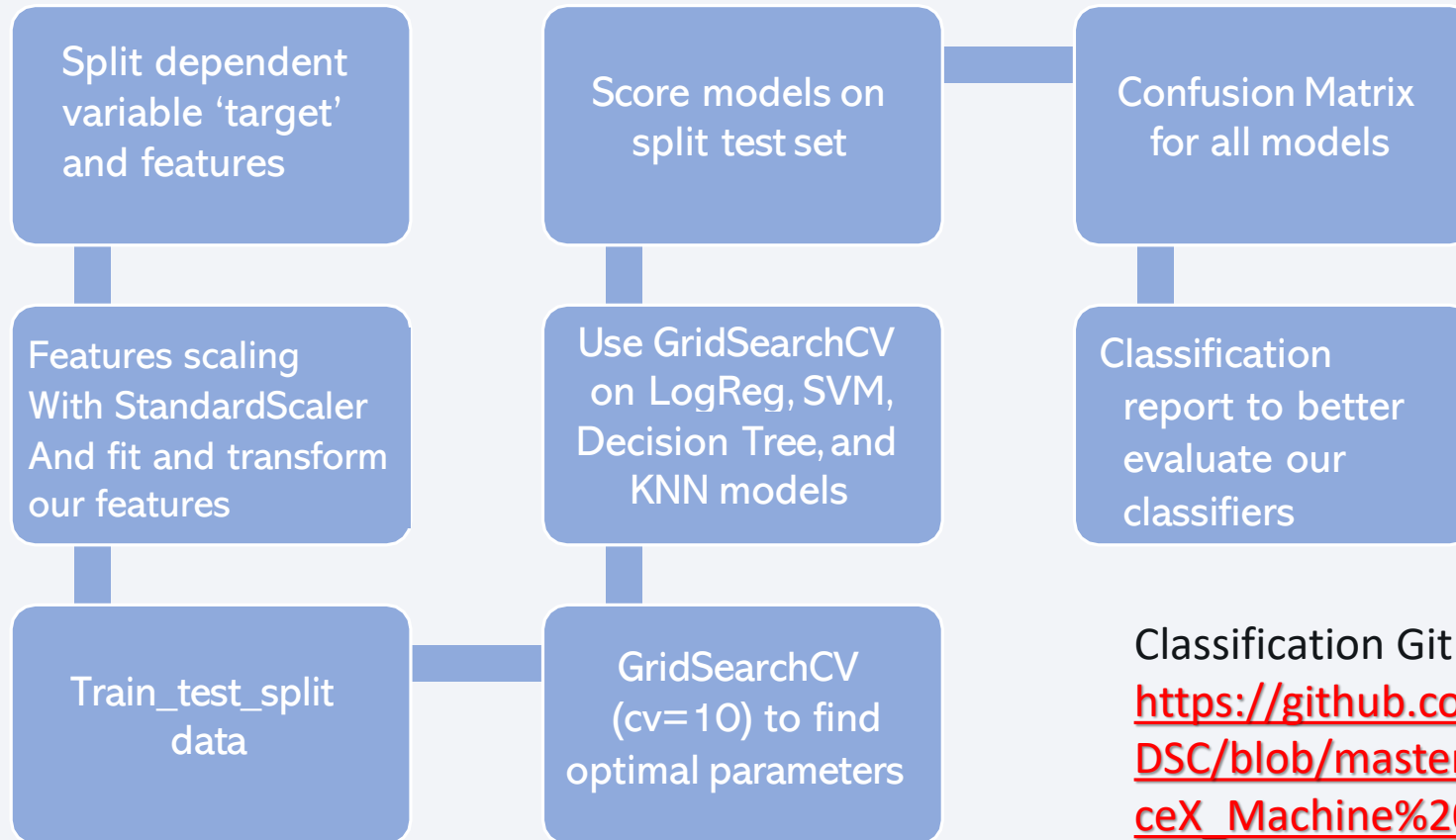
- Dashboard includes a pie chart and a scatter plot by launch site, for creating our dashboard , we used “dash” library
- Pie chart created using “plotly” lib with express method, it can be selected to show distribution of successful landings across all launch sites and can be selected to show individual launch site success rates.
- Scatter plot created using “plotly” lib with express method, it takes two inputs: All sites or individual site and payload mass on a slider between 0 and 10000 kg.
- The pie chart is used to visualize launch site success rate.
- The scatter plot can help us see how success varies across launch sites, payload mass, and booster version category.

My dashboard code - Github url :

<https://github.com/ZakariaElbe1/IBM-Capstone-Project-DSC/blob/master/Launch%20sites%20locations%20and%20Dashboard%20for%20analysis/my%20dashbord%20for%20the%20capstone%20ibm%20ds%20project.ipynb>

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

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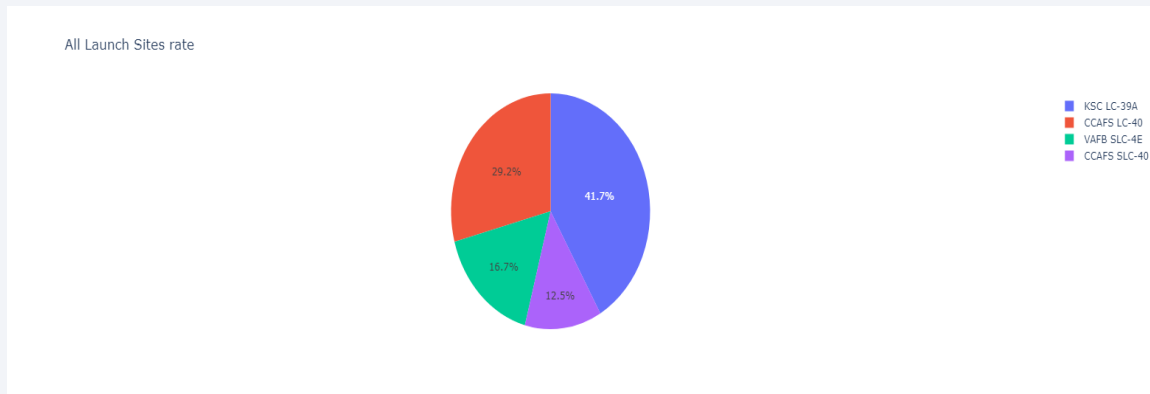
Classification GitHub url :

[https://github.com/ZakariaElbe1/IBM-Capstone-Project-DSC/blob/master/machine%20learning%20prediction/SpaceX\\_Machine%20Learning%20Prediction\\_Part\\_5.ipynb](https://github.com/ZakariaElbe1/IBM-Capstone-Project-DSC/blob/master/machine%20learning%20prediction/SpaceX_Machine%20Learning%20Prediction_Part_5.ipynb)

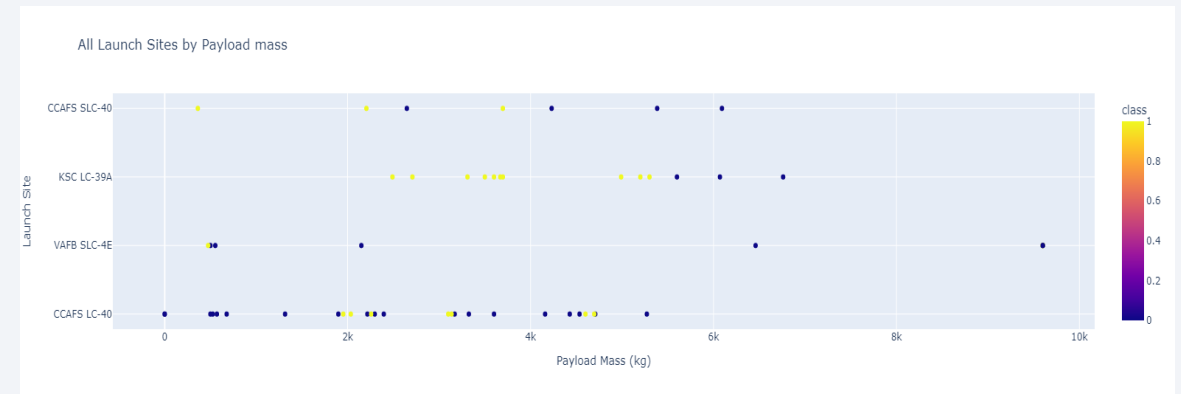
# Results

## SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

*Pie Chart for All sites*



*Scatter plot launch sites vs Payload mass*



The graphs below belongs to our created dashbord, it shows the success rate for each launch site and the mass of the payload launched from each site.

**EDA** : Using The EDA process, we did some data manipulation ,engineering ,transformation and visualisation. We transormed data from categorical to numerical using one hot encoding for example , we visualize features to understand relationship between its.

**Classification** : Our models have the same producted accuracy with a rate of 83,34%



The background of the slide is an abstract composition. It features a solid blue area on the left side, which transitions into a dynamic pattern of diagonal streaks in shades of blue and red on the right. These streaks are layered over a fine, light-colored grid, creating a sense of depth and movement, reminiscent of a digital or data visualization theme.

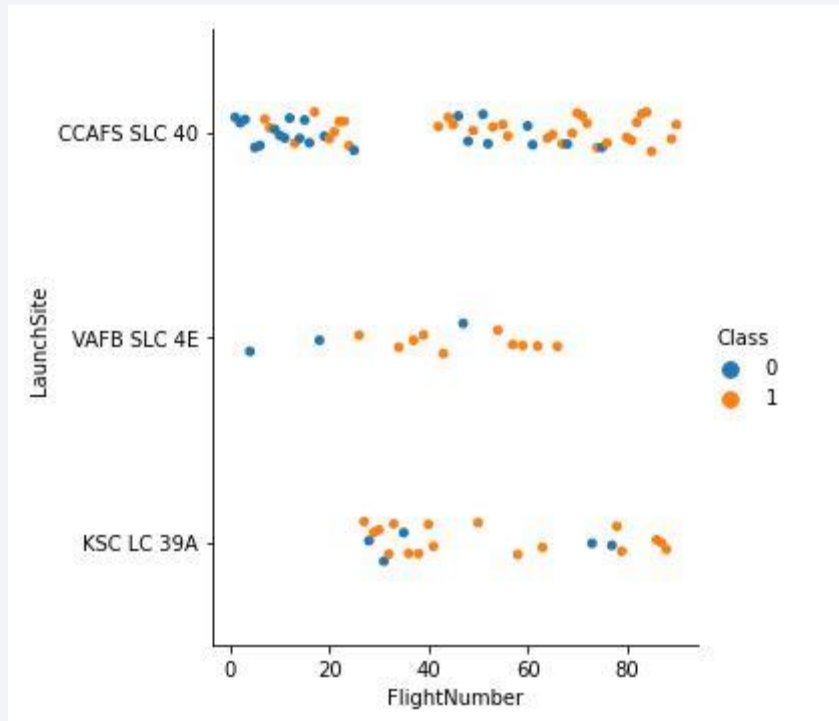
Visualization

Insights drawn  
from EDA



# Flight Number vs. Launch Site

## Flight Number vs. Launch Site



● Failure      ● Success

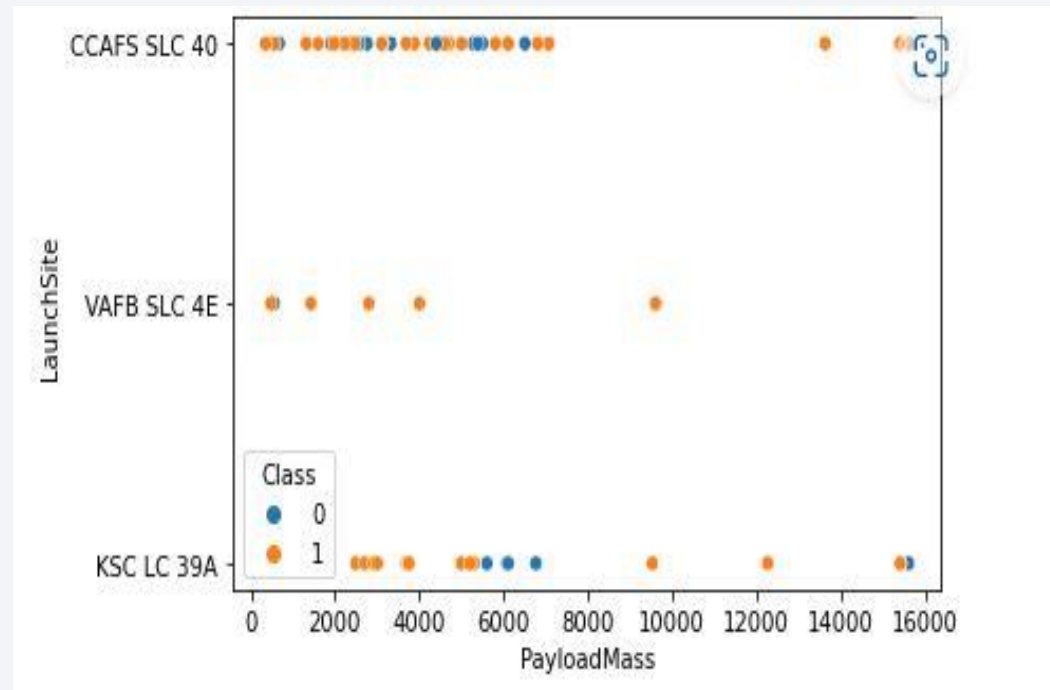
### Graph explanations :

- Graph shows that the CCAFS has more volume of flights, it appears to be the main launch site;
- After the 20th flight the success rate increase for every launch sites, and KSC site appears to be start launching;
- The VAFB has the best success rate against small volume of flights



# Payload vs. Launch Site

Scatter plot of Payload vs. Launch Site



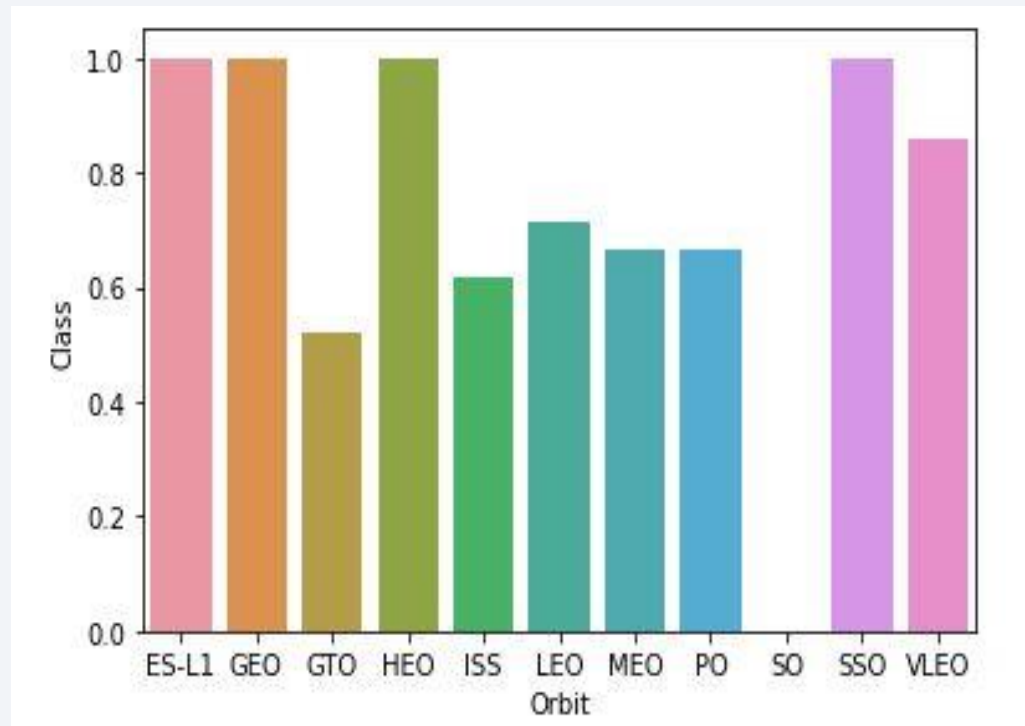
● Failure      ● Success

Graph explanations :

- The majority of payloads launched from each site have a masse under 8000kg
- The payloads with a mass bigger than 8000 kg appears to have a good success rate

# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

Bar chart for the success rate of each orbit type

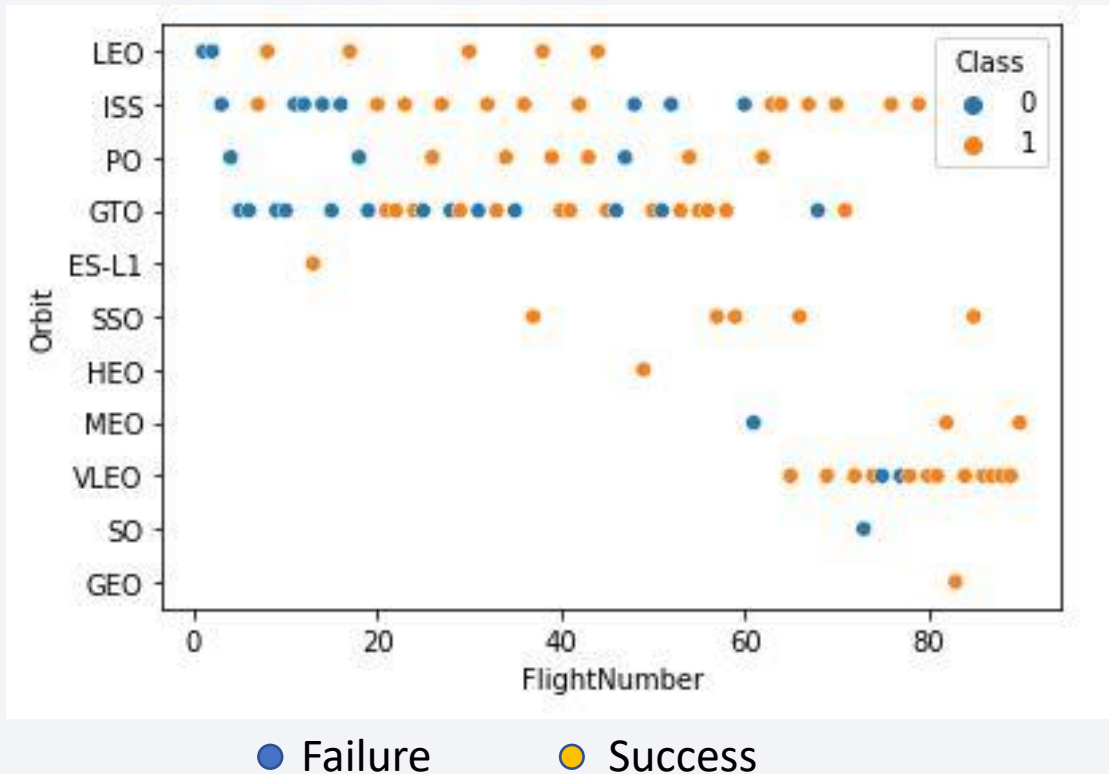


Graph explanations (sample sizes in parenthesis) :

- ES-L1 (1), GEO (1), HEO (1) have 100% success rate
- SSO (5) has 100% success rate
- VLEO (14) has decent success rate and attempts
- SO (1) has 0% success rate
- GTO (27) has the around 50% success rate but largest sample

# Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

Scatter point of Flight number vs. Orbit type

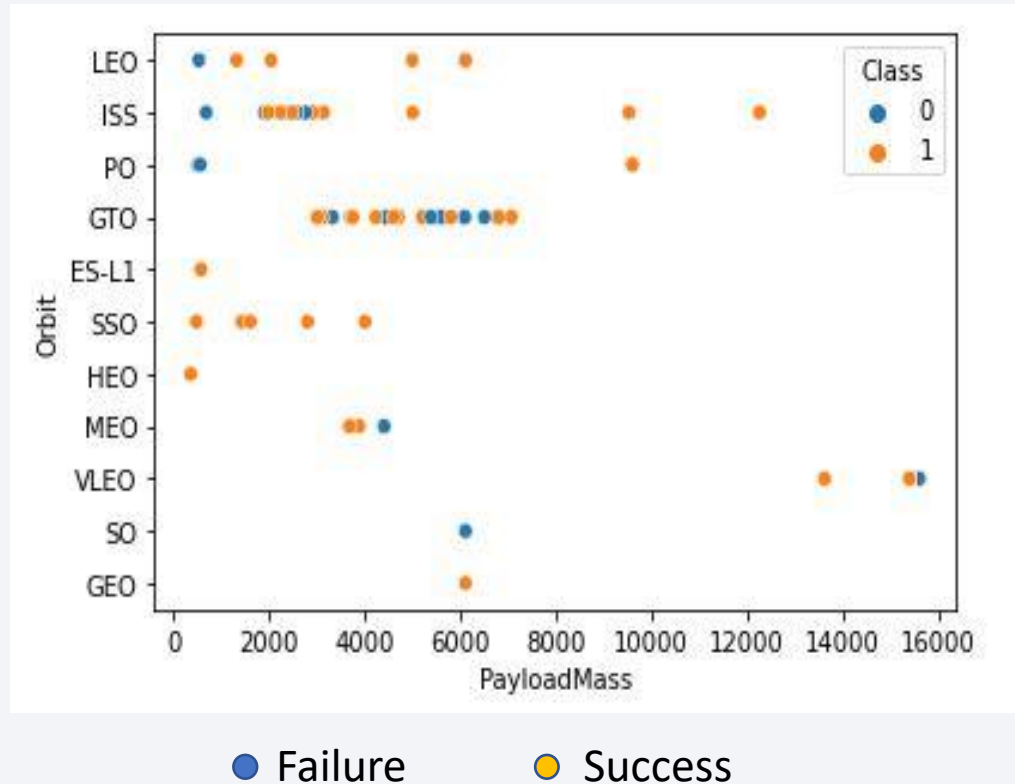


Graph explanations :

- After 50 flight, the success rate increase on different Orbit type other than LEO
- ISS and GTO have big number of flights comparing to other Orbit type
- Flights on VLEO Orbit starts from the 60<sup>th</sup> flight
- Flights on PO stopped in the 60<sup>th</sup> and stopped on 45<sup>th</sup> on LEO Orbit
- 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

Scatter point of payload vs. orbit type



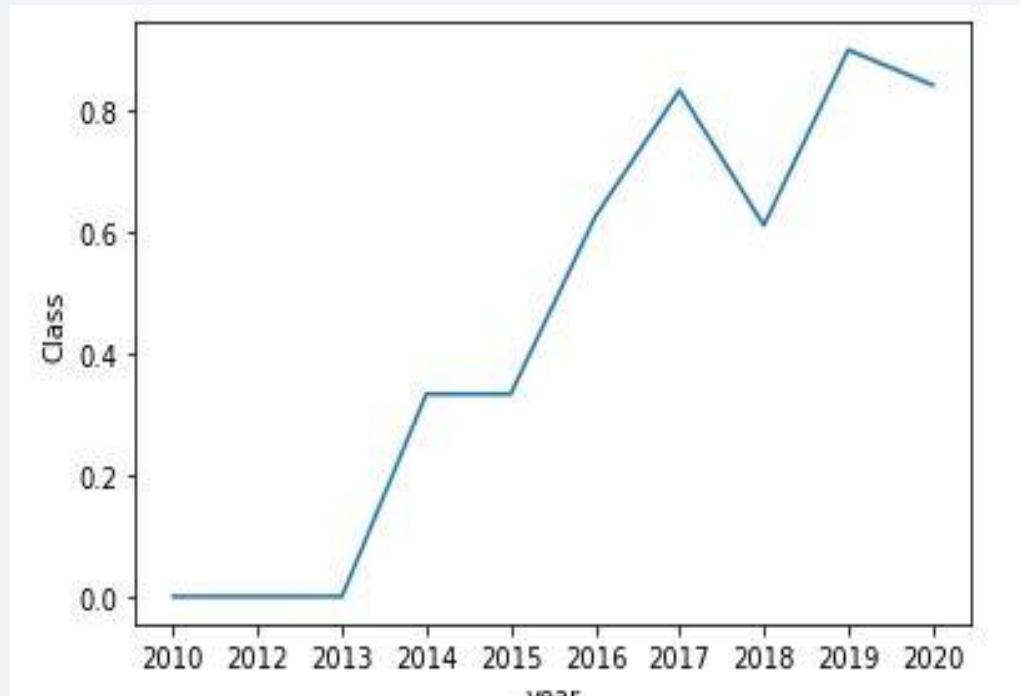
Graph explanations :

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

Line chart of yearly average success rate



Graph explanations :

the success rate since 2013 kept increasing till 2020 with a breakdown in 2018

The biggest success rate was in 2019



# All Launch Site Names

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Query of names of the unique launch sites from database

```
Entrée [6]: 1 %sql select distinct(launch_site) from spacex_data
* ibm_db_sa://szf39772:***@3883e7e4-18f5-4afe-be8c-fa31c
Done.

Out[6]: launch_site
        CCAFS LC-40
        CCAFS SLC-40
        KSC LC-39A
        VAFB SLC-4E
```

CCAFS SLC-40 and CCAFSSLC-40 likely all represent the same launch site with data entry errors.

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

Query of 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`

```
1 %sql select * from spacex_data where launch_site like 'CCA%' limit 5;
```

```
* ibm_db_sa://szf39772:***@3883e7e4-18f5-4afe-be8c-fa31c41761d2.bs2io90l08kqb1od8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:31498/bludb  
Done.
```

DATE	time__utc_	booster_version	launch_site	payload	payload_mass__kg_	orbit	customer	mission_outcome	landing__outcome
2010-06-04	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC-40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Failure (parachute)
2010-12-08	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	Success	Failure (parachute)
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
2012-10-08	00:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC-40	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

All the 5 records shows a success mission outcome, from CCA launch site

# Total Payload Mass

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Query of total payload carried by boosters from NASA

```
1 %sql select sum(payload_mass_kg_) from spacex_data where customer = 'NASA (CRS)';  
* ibm_db_sa://szf39772:***@3883e7e4-18f5-4afe-be8c-fa31c41761d2.bs2io90l08kqb1od8l1cg.data1  
Done.  


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| 45596 |


```

This query sums the total payload mass in kg where NASA was the customer.

# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

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Query of average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

```
1 %sql select avg(payload_mass__kg_) from spacex_data \
2 where booster_version = 'F9 v1.1';

* ibm_db_sa://szf39772:***@3883e7e4-18f5-4afe-be8c-fa31c41761
Done.

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2928
```

The payload mass for the booster version F9 v1.1 seems to have a light mass comparing to others booster versions

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

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Query of the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad

```
1 %sql select min(date) from spacex_data where landing__outcome = 'Success (ground pad)' ;
* ibm_db_sa://szf39772:***@3883e7e4-18f5-4afe-be8c-fa31c41761d2.bs2io90108kqb1od81cg.databases
Done.
```

1
2015-12-22

The first success ground pad landing wasn't until the end of the year 2015



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

Query of List the names of boosters which have successfully landed on drone ship and had payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000

```
: 1 %sql select booster_version from spacex_data where landing__outcome = 'Success (drone ship)' and payload_mass__kg_ > 4000 \
2 and payload_mass__kg_ < 6000 ;

* ibm_db_sa://szf39772:***@3883e7e4-18f5-4afe-be8c-fa31c41761d2.bs2io90l08kqb1od8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:31498/bludb
Done.
```

booster_version
F9 FT B1022
F9 FT B1026
F9 FT B1021.2
F9 FT B1031.2

The query shows the four success boosters landed on drone ship with a payload mass between 4000 and 6000 kg excluded

# Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

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Query of the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

```
1 %sql select mission_outcome,count(mission_outcome) from spacex_data\  
2 group by mission_outcome ;  
  
* ibm_db_sa://szf39772:***@3883e7e4-18f5-4afe-be8c-fa31c41761d2.bs2io90l08l  
Done.
```

mission_outcome	2
Failure (in flight)	1
Success	99
Success (payload status unclear)	1

The space X rate of success mission outcome is 98.02%

# Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

Query of List the names of the booster which have carried the maximum payload mass

```
1 %sql select booster_version from spacex_data \
2 where payload_mass_kg_ = (select max(payload_mass_kg_) from spacex_data);
```

```
* ibm_db_sa://szf39772:***@3883e7e4-18f5-4afe-be8c-fa31c41761d2.bs2io90l08kqb1oc
Done.
```

booster_version
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F9 B5 B1048.4
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F9 B5 B1049.4
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F9 B5 B1051.3
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F9 B5 B1056.4
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F9 B5 B1048.5
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F9 B5 B1051.4
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F9 B5 B1049.5
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F9 B5 B1060.2
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F9 B5 B1058.3
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F9 B5 B1051.6
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F9 B5 B1060.3
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F9 B5 B1049.7
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The booster version F9 B5 B10\*\* appears to be the heavy ones, it shows that is a correlation between payload mass and the booster version

# 2015 Launch Records

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Query of List the failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015

```
1 %sql select landing__outcome,booster_version,launch_site from spacex_data\  
2 where year(date) = 2015 and landing__outcome = 'Failure (drone ship)';  
  
* ibm_db_sa://szf39772:***@3883e7e4-18f5-4afe-be8c-fa31c41761d2.bs2io90l08kqb1od  
Done.
```

landing__outcome	booster_version	launch_site
Failure (drone ship)	F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40
Failure (drone ship)	F9 v1.1 B1015	CCAFS LC-40

The query result shows that there is a two failed landing on drone ship both launched from the same site which is CCAFS site

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

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Query of 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

```
1 %sql select landing__outcome,count(landing__outcome) from spacex_data\  
2 where landing__outcome = 'Failure (drone ship)' or landing__outcome = 'Success (ground pad)' \  
3 and date between '2010-06-04' and '2017-03-20'\  
4 group by landing__outcome;  
  
* ibm_db_sa://szf39772:***@3883e7e4-18f5-4afe-be8c-fa31c41761d2.bs2io90l08kqb1od8lcg.databases.appdom  
Done.  
  
landing__outcome 2  
Failure (drone ship) 5  
Success (ground pad) 3
```

The query result shows a count of 8 of failure drone ship landing (5) and success ground pad landing(3) between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20

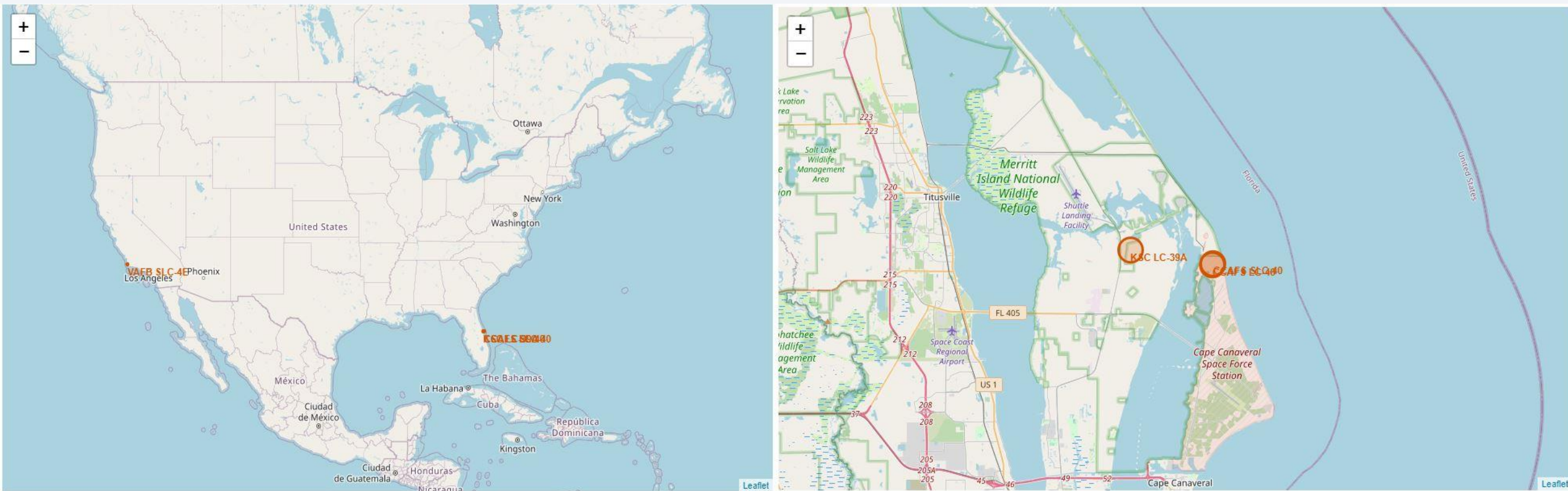
A satellite view of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and city lights at night. The background is a deep blue gradient.

Section 3

# Launch Sites Proximities Analysis



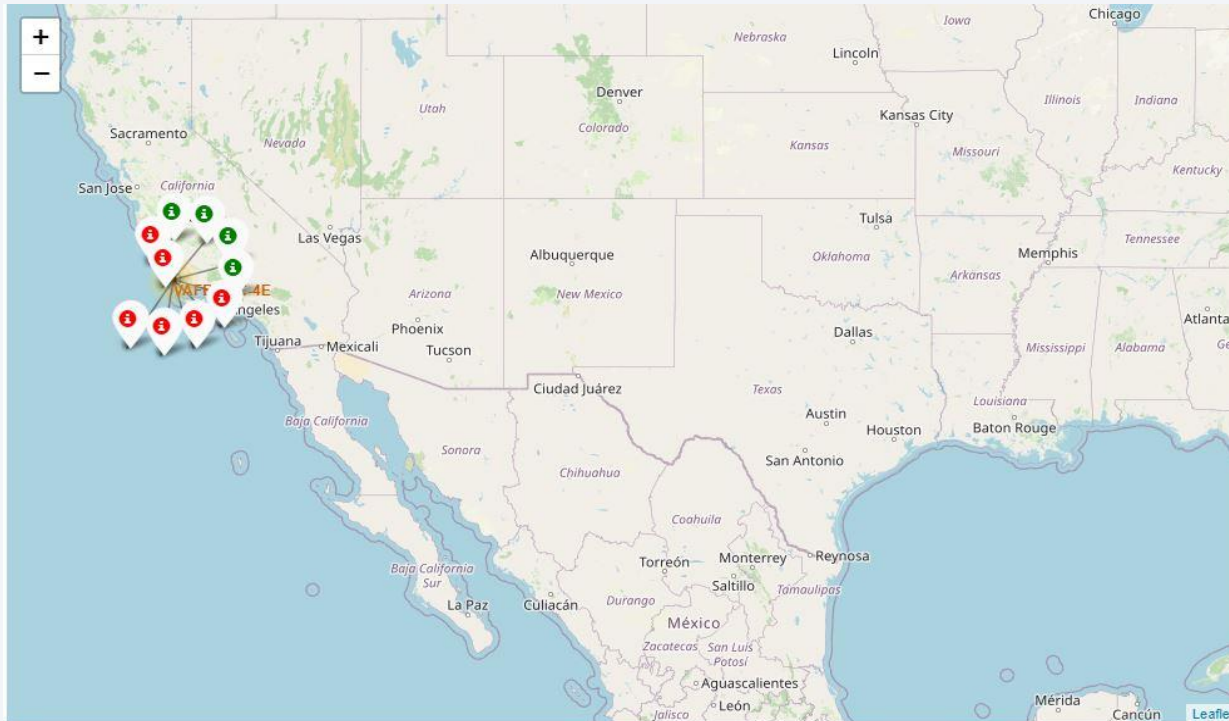
# All launch sites locations on map



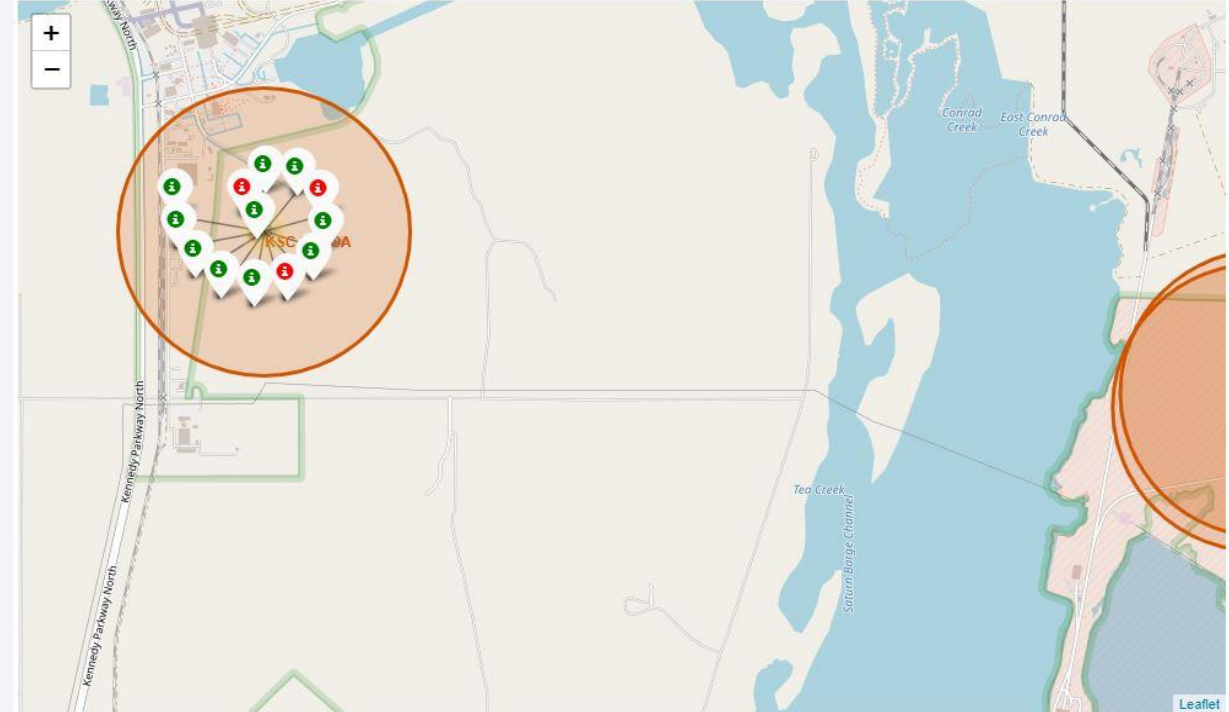
- The right map produced shows that all sites are near to the coast;
- The left map shows launch sites close to Florida coast
- Launch sites are placed on north of the equatorial line



# Labeled launch sites by success/failed launches



● Failure



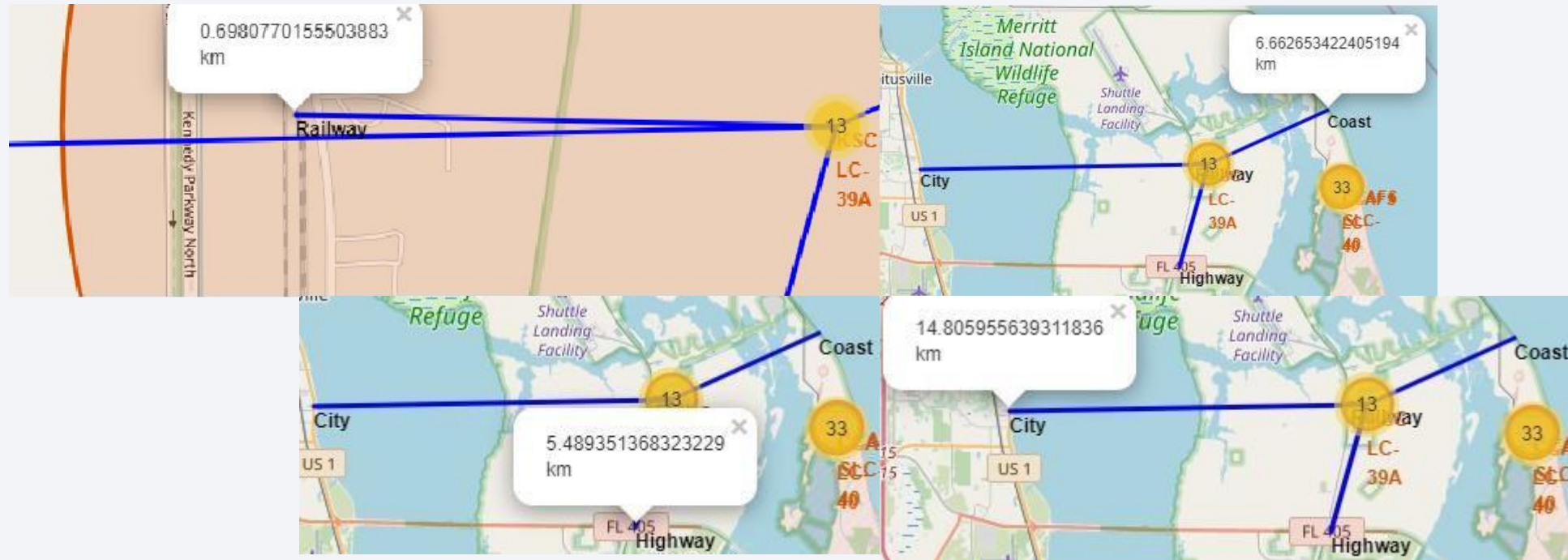
● Success

In this example on the left VAFB SLC-4E shows 4 successful landings and 6 failed landings using markers cluster by folium

On the right KSC LC-39A shows 10 successful landings and 3 failed landings,

We can conclude that the launch sites on the east have more records and best success landing rate

# Locations proximities



Using KSC LC-39A as an example, launch sites are very close to railways for large part and supply transportation. Launch sites are close to highways for human and supply transport. Launch sites are also close to coasts and relatively far from cities so that launch failures can land in the sea to avoid rockets falling on densely populated areas.

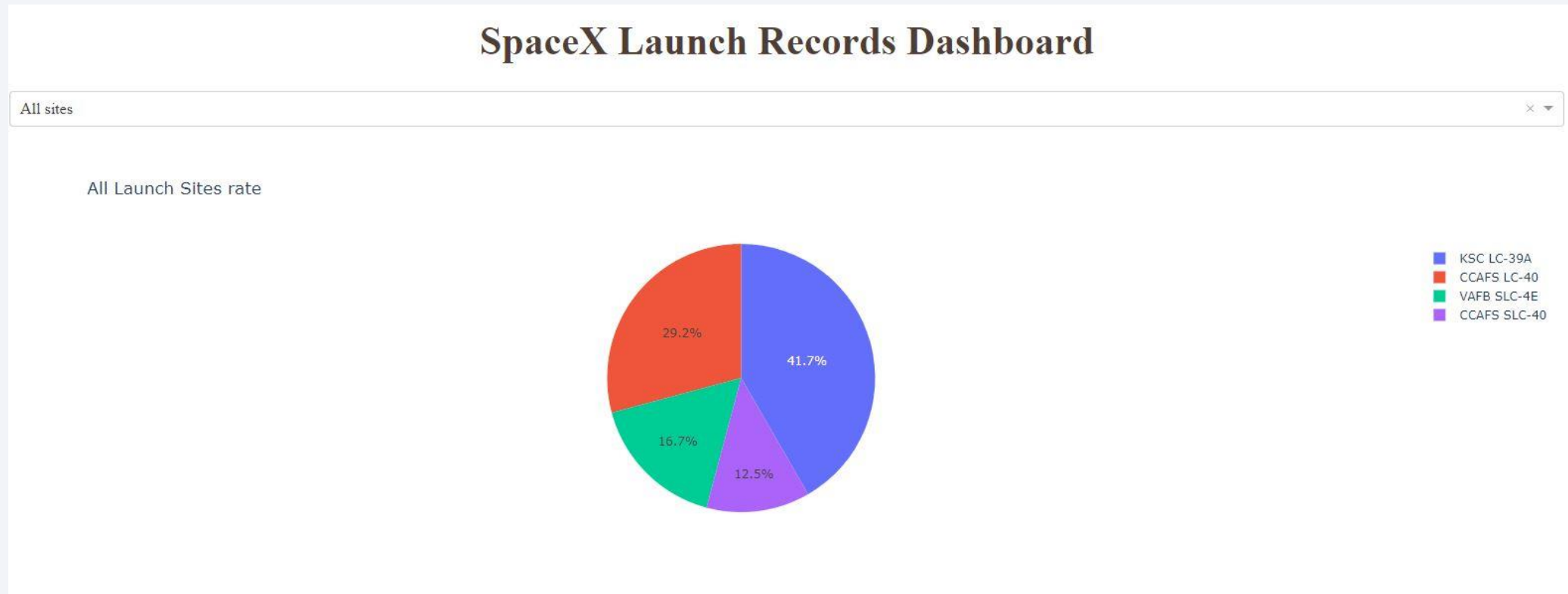




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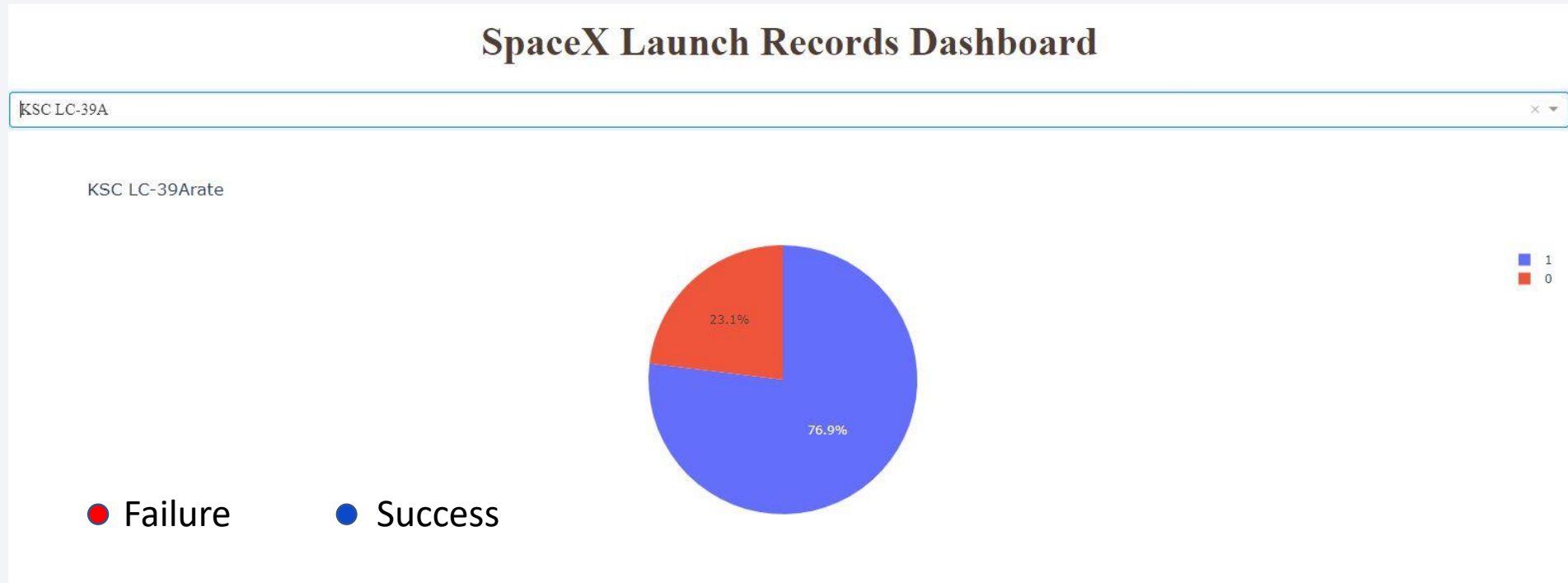
# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

# Dashboard : Success rate for all sites



The piechart from our dashboard shows that KSC LC-39A site have the best landing success rate, it confirms the result of labeled map locations on the previous section where we concluded that the launch sites located on the east coast have a good success rate comparing to VAFB site located close to the west coast

# Dashboard: Success ratio of KSC Site



The pie chart of the launch site with the best success landing ratio with more than 75% success landing

# Payload Mass vs. Success vs. Booster Version Category



Plotly dashboard has a Payload range selector. However, this is set from 0-10000 instead of the max Payload of 15600. Class indicates 1 for successful landing and 0 for failure. Scatter plot also accounts for booster version category in color and number of launches in point size. In this particular range of 0-6000, interestingly there are two failed landings with payloads of zero kg.



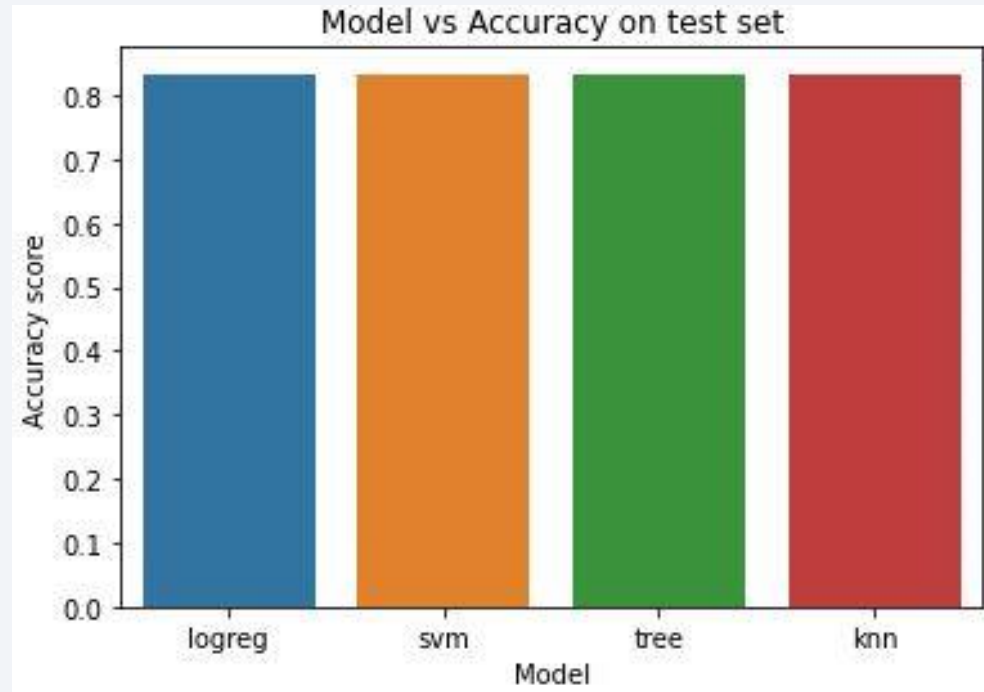
Section 6

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)



# Classification Accuracy

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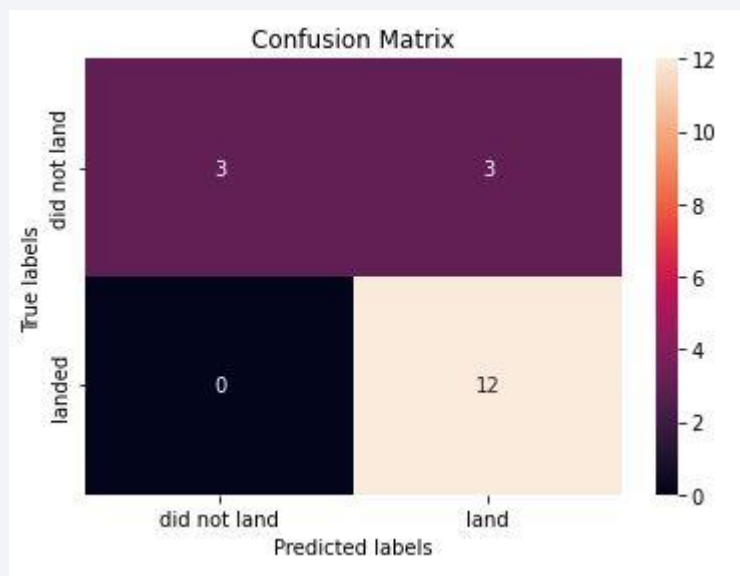
All models had the same accuracy on the test set at 83.33% accuracy. We could explain that by the small test size at only sample size of 18.

It should be noted that the Decision tree model with more than one run produced multiple accuracy scores, it depends on quality of split that the model did.

We likely need more data to determine the best model.

# Confusion Matrix

Since the four models had the same accuracy, precision, recall and F1\_score on the test set , we displayed only one confusion matrix



The 4 models had missclassify 3 failed landing as a success landings and they classified the rest successfully

tree_cv				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	1.00	0.50	0.67	6
1	0.80	1.00	0.89	12
accuracy			0.83	18
macro avg	0.90	0.75	0.78	18
weighted avg	0.87	0.83	0.81	18
*****				
knn_cv				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	1.00	0.50	0.67	6
1	0.80	1.00	0.89	12
accuracy			0.83	18
macro avg	0.90	0.75	0.78	18
weighted avg	0.87	0.83	0.81	18
*****				
logreg_cv				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	1.00	0.50	0.67	6
1	0.80	1.00	0.89	12
accuracy			0.83	18
macro avg	0.90	0.75	0.78	18
weighted avg	0.87	0.83	0.81	18

# Conclusions

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- Our task: to develop a machine learning model for Space Y who wants to bid against SpaceX
- The goal of model is to predict when Stage 1 will successfully land to save ~\$100 million USD
- Used data from a public SpaceX API and web scraping SpaceX Wikipedia page
- Created data labels and stored data into a DB2 SQL database
- Created a dashboard for visualization
- We created a machine learning model with an accuracy of 83%
- SpaceY can use this model to predict with relatively high accuracy whether a launch will have a successful Stage 1 landing before launch to determine whether the launch should be made or not
- If possible more data should be collected to better determine the best machine learning model and improve accuracy

# Appendix

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All the files used in this presentation could be found by checking this Github url :

<https://github.com/ZakariaElbe1/IBM-Capstone-Project-DSC/tree/master>

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