

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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### **Executive Summary**

- Summary of methodologies:
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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

- Factors responsible for a successful landing of the rocket.
- Inter-Relationship between different features responsible for a successful landing of the rocket.
- Conditions to met to ensure a successful landing program.



# Methodology

#### **Executive Summary**

- Data collection methodology:
  - Data was collected using SpaceX API and web scraping from Wikipedia.
- Perform data wrangling
  - 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**

#### SpaceX API

API Request

Request launch data from SPACEX API

Read API response

 Read .json response and convert to a data frame using json\_normalize method

Prelim Data
Wrangling

Extract relevant data fields to match the requirements

Convert to CSV format

 Convert new Dataframe to CSV format for the next phase

#### Web scraping data from Wiki

Perform HTTP GET Request Falcon9 html page via HTTP GET method

Create BeautifulSou Create BeautifulSoup object from HTML response

Extract data to df

• Collect all relevant headers and extract rows to dataframe.

Convert to CSV format

Convert Dataframe to CSV for next phase.

### Data Collection – SpaceX API

- We used the get request to the SpaceX API to collect data, clean the requested data and did some basic data wrangling and formatting.
- https://github.com/aastapas ta/DATA-Science-project-foranalysing-SpaceX/blob/main/jupyterlabs-spacex-data-collectionapi.ipynb

```
Step 1
               Check the content of the response
                print(response.content)
              static json url='https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DS0321EN-SkillsNetwork/datasets/API
             We should see that the request was successfull with the 200 status response code
              response.status code
             Now we decode the response content as a Json using .json() and turn it into a Pandas dataframe using .json normalize()
              # Use json_normalize meethod to convert the json result into a dataframe
              data = pd.json_normalize(response.json())
Step 2
             Using the dataframe data print the first 5 rows
              # Get the head of the dataframe
Step 3
            # Hint data['BoosterVersion']!='Falcon 1'
 Step 4 data_falcon9 = data[data['BoosterVersion'] != 'Falcon 1']
             data falcon9
              # Calculate the mean value of PayloadMass column
              PayloadMass = pd.DataFrame(data_falcon9['PayloadMass'].values.tolist()).mean()
Step 5
              print(PayloadMass)
              # Replace the np.nan values with its mean value
              data falcon9["PayloadMass"].replace(np.nan, data falcon9["PayloadMass"].mean(), inplace=True)
              data_falcon9
```

# **Data Collection - Scraping**

- We applied web scrapping to webscrap Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup
- We parsed the table and converted it into a pandas dataframe.
- https://github.com/aastapasta/DATA-Science-project-for-analysing-SpaceX/blob/main/jupyter-labswebscraping.ipynb

```
# use requests.get() method with the provided static_url
            # assian the response to a object
            html_data = requests.get(static_url)
            html_data.status_code
Step 1
           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>
            # 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')
Step 2
            Starting from the third table is our target table contains the actual launch records.
            # Let's print the third table and check its content
            first_launch_table = html_tables[2]
            print(first launch table)
            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')
Step 3
            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)
               except:
                   pass
```

Check the extracted column names

print(column\_names)

### **Data Wrangling**

- We performed exploratory data analysis and determined the training labels.
- We calculated the number of launches at each site, and the number and occurrence of each orbits
- We created landing outcome label from outcome column and exported the results to csv.
- https://github.com/aastapasta/DATA-Science-project-for-analysing-SpaceX/blob/main/labs-jupyter-spacex-Data%20wrangling%20(1).ipynb

```
Step 1
```

Step 2

Step 3

Step 4

```
# Apply value_counts() on column LaunchSite
df['LaunchSite'].value_counts()
```

```
# Apply value_counts on Orbit column
df['Orbit'].value_counts()
```

```
# landing_outcomes = values on Outcome column
landing_outcomes = df['Outcome'].value_counts()
landing_outcomes
```

```
# landing_class = 0 if bad_outcome
# landing_class = 1 otherwise
landing_class = []

for key, value in df['Outcome'].items():
    if value in bad_outcomes:
        landing_class.append(0)
    else:
        landing_class.append(1)
```

#### **EDA** with Data Visualization

As part of the Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA), following charts were plotted to gain further insights into the dataset:

- 1. Scatter plot to visualize:
- Relationship between Flight Number and Launch Site
- Relationship between Payload and Launch Site
- Relationship between Flight Number and Orbit Type
- Relationship between Payload and Orbit Type
- 2. Bar chart to visualize: Relationship between success rate of each orbit type
- 3. Line chart to observe: Average launch success yearly trend
- <a href="https://github.com/aastapasta/DATA-Science-project-for-analysing-SpaceX/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-dataviz.ipynb.jupyterlite.ipynb">https://github.com/aastapasta/DATA-Science-project-for-analysing-SpaceX/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-dataviz.ipynb.jupyterlite.ipynb</a>

#### **EDA** with SQL

- We loaded the SpaceX dataset into a PostgreSQL database without leaving the jupyter notebook.
- We applied EDA with SQL to get insight from the data. We wrote queries to find out for instance:
  - 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.
- <a href="https://github.com/aastapasta/DATA-Science-project-for-analysing-SpaceX/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-sql-coursera-sqllite.ipynb">https://github.com/aastapasta/DATA-Science-project-for-analysing-SpaceX/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-sql-coursera-sqllite.ipynb</a>

### Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- We marked all launch sites, and added map objects such as markers, circles, lines to mark the success or failure of launches for each site on the folium map.
- We assigned 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, we identified which launch sites have relatively high success rate.
- We calculated the distances between a launch site to its proximities. We answered some question for instance:
  - Are launch sites near railways, highways and coastlines.
  - Do launch sites keep certain distance away from cities.
- https://github.com/aastapasta/DATA-Science-project-for-analysing-SpaceX/blob/main/lab jupyter launch site location.jupyterlite.ipynb

### Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- We built an interactive dashboard with Plotly dash
- We plotted pie charts showing the total launches by a certain sites
- We plotted scatter graph showing the relationship with Outcome and Payload Mass (Kg) for the different booster version.
- <a href="https://github.com/aastapasta/DATA-Science-project-for-analysing-SpaceX/blob/main/dash\_interactivity.py">https://github.com/aastapasta/DATA-Science-project-for-analysing-SpaceX/blob/main/dash\_interactivity.py</a>

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- We loaded the data using numpy and pandas, transformed the data, split our data into training and testing.
- We built different machine learning models and tune different hyperparameters using GridSearchCV.
- We used accuracy as the metric for our model, improved the model using feature engineering and algorithm tuning.
- We found the best performing classification model.
- https://github.com/aastapasta/DATA
   -Science-project-for-analysing SpaceX/blob/main/SpaceX Machine
   Learning Prediction Part 5.jupyter
   lite.ipynb

```
= data['Class'].to numpy()
Step 1
             # students get this
             transform = preprocessing.StandardScaler()
Step 2
             X = transform.fit transform(X)
             X_train, X_test, Y_train, Y_test = train_test_split(X, Y, test_size=0.2, random_state=2)
            we can see we only have 18 test samples.
             Y test.shape
 Step 3
              Step 4
              We output the GridSearchCV object for logistic regression. We display the
             the accuracy on the validation data using the data attribute best_score_
              print("tuned hpyerparameters :(best parameters) ",logreg_cv.best_params_)
print("accuracy :",logreg_cv.best_score_)
                                                                     15
```

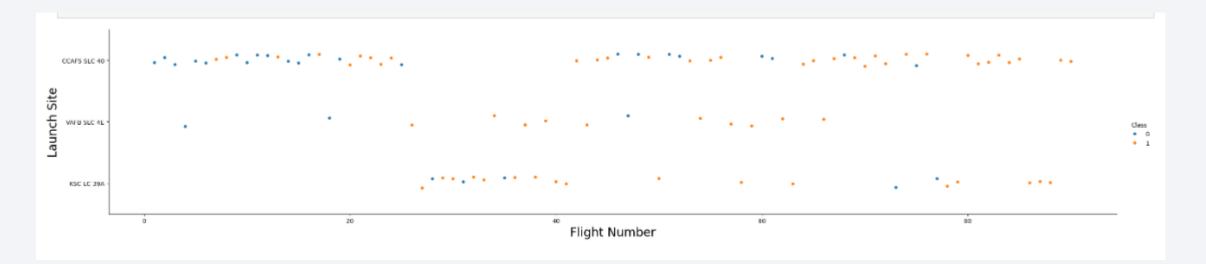
#### Results

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



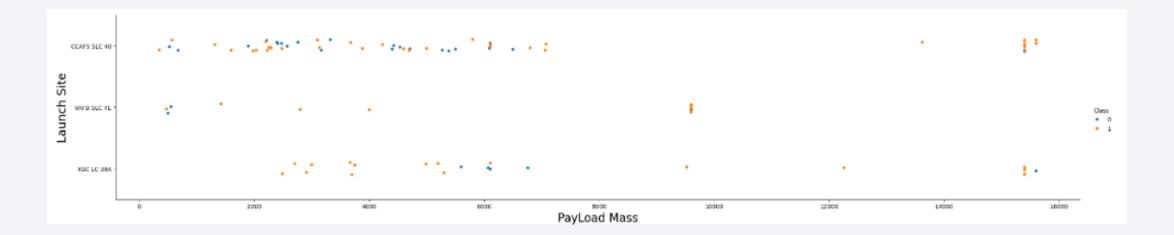
### Flight Number vs. Launch Site

- Success rates (Class=1) increases as the number of flights increase
- For launch site 'KSC LC 39A', it takes at least around 25 launches before a first successful launch



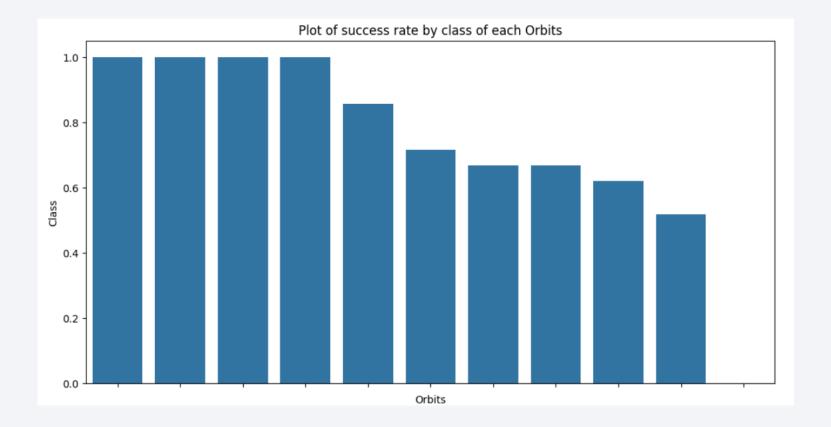
### Payload vs. Launch Site

- For launch site 'VAFB SLC 4E', there are no rockets launched for payload greater than 10,000 kg
- Percentage of successful launch (Class=1) increases for launch site 'VAFB SLC 4E' as the payload mass increases
- There is no clear correlation or pattern between launch site and payload mass



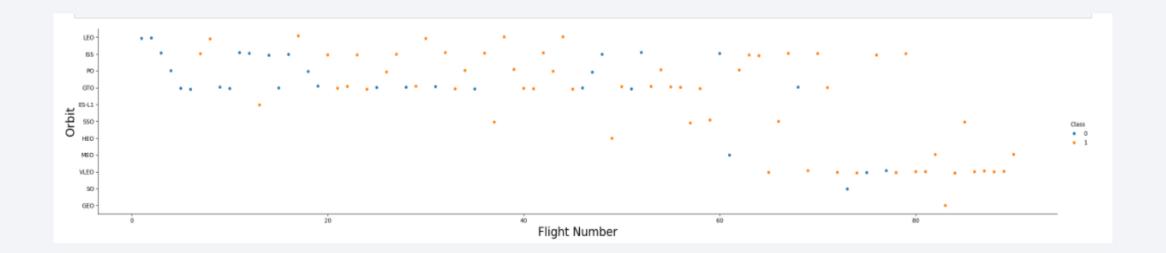
# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

- Orbits ES-LI, GEO, HEO, and SSO have the highest success rates
- GTO orbit has the lowest success rate



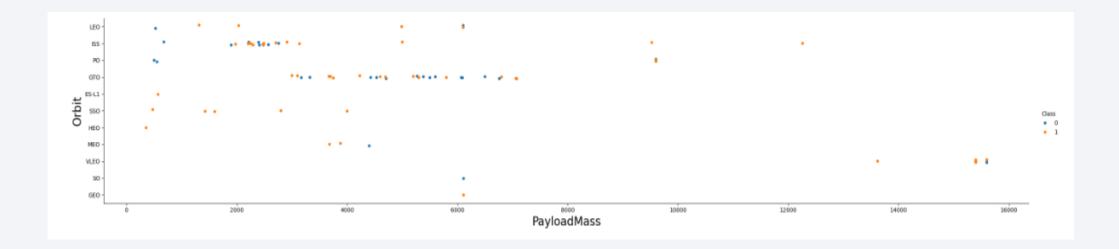
### Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

- For orbit VLEO, first successful landing (class=1) doesn't occur until 60+ number of flights
- For most orbits (LEO, ISS, PO, SSO, MEO, VLEO) successful landing rates appear to increase with flight numbers 22
- There is no relationship between flight number and orbit for GTO



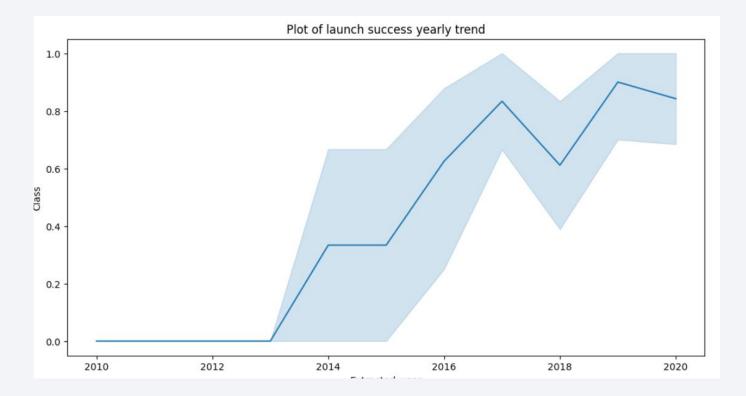
### Payload vs. Orbit Type

- Successful landing rates (Class=1) appear to increase with pay load for orbits LEO, ISS, PO, and SSO
- For GEO orbit, there is not clear pattern between payload and orbit for successful or unsuccessful landing



### Launch Success Yearly Trend

- Success rate (Class=1) increased by about 80% between 2013 and 2020
- Success rates remained the same between 2010 and 2013 and between 2014 and 2015
- Success rates decreased between 2017 and 2018 and between 2019 and 24 2020



#### 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'

We used the query above to display 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`

```
%%sql
select * from spacextbl where Launch_Site LIKE 'CCA%' limit 5;

* sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.
```

### **Total Payload Mass**

We calculated the total payload carried by boosters from NASA as 45596 using the query below

```
%%sql
select sum(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) from spacextbl where Customer = 'NASA (CRS)'

* sqlite://my_data1.db
one.
sum(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)

45596
```

### Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

We calculated the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1 as 2928.4

```
%%sql
select avg(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) from spacextbl where Booster_Version LIKE 'F9 v1.1';

* sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.
avg(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)

2928.4
```

### First Successful Ground Landing Date

We observed that the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad was 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2015

```
%%sql
select min(Date) as min_date from spacextbl where Landing_Outcome = 'Success (ground pad)';
min_date
```

2015-12-22

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

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

```
%%sql
select Booster_Version from spacextbl where (PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_> 4000 and PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ < 6000)
and (Landing__Outcome = 'Success (drone ship)');

boosterversion
0    F9 FT B1022
1    F9 FT B1026
2    F9 FT B1021.2
3    F9 FT B1031.2</pre>
```

#### Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

We used wildcard like '%' to filter for **WHERE** MissionOutcome was a success or a failure.

Mission_Outcome counts  Failure (in flight) 1  Success 98  Success 1	<pre>%%sql select Mission_Outcome, count(Mission_Outcome) as counts from spacextbl group by Mission_Outcome</pre>						
Failure (in flight) 1 Success 98 Success 1	* sqlite:///my_data1.db one.						
Success 98 Success 1	Mission_Outcome	counts					
Success 1	Failure (in flight)	1					
	Success	98					
Success (payload status unclear) 1	Success	1					
4 /	Success (payload status unclear)	1					

# **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.

%%sql	
select Booster	_Version, PAYLOAD_MASS
* sqlite:///my_	_data1.db
	PAYLOAD_MASSKG_
F9 B5 B1048.4	15600
F9 B5 B1049.4	15600
F9 B5 B1051.3	15600
F9 B5 B1056.4	15600
F9 B5 B1048.5	15600
F9 B5 B1051.4	15600
F9 B5 B1049.5	15600
F9 B5 B1060.2	15600
F9 B5 B1058.3	15600
F9 B5 B1051.6	15600
F9 B5 B1060.3	15600
F9 B5 B1049.7	15600

#### 2015 Launch Records

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

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

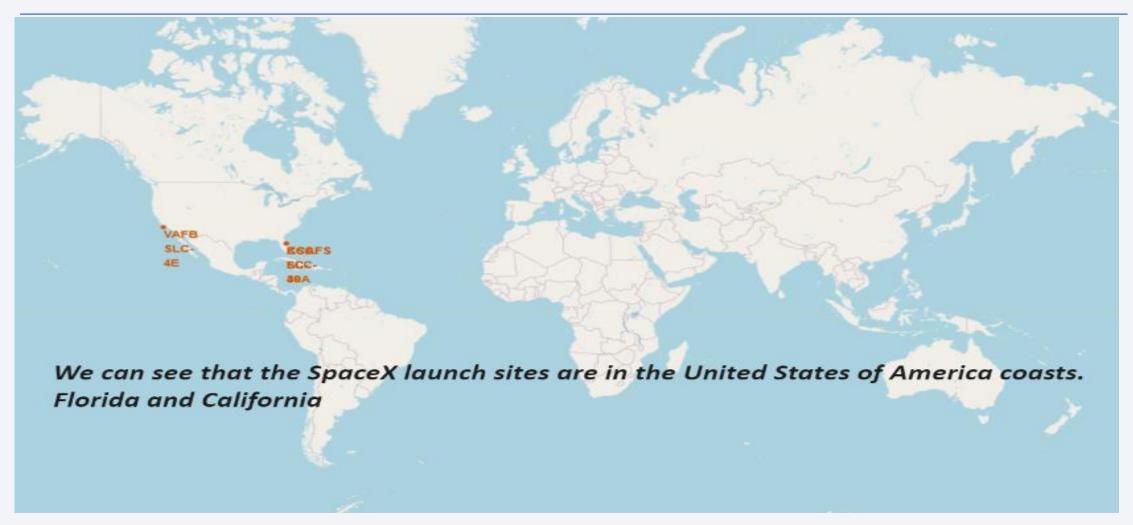
- We selected Landing outcomes and the COUNT of landing outcomes from the data and used the WHERE clause to filter for landing outcomes BETWEEN 2010-06-04 to 2010-03-20.
- We applied the GROUP BY clause to group the landing outcomes and the ORDER BY clause to order the grouped landing outcome in descending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

```
%%sql
select Landing_Outcome, count(*) as LandingCounts from spacextbl where Date between '2010-06-04' and '2017-03-20'
group by Landing_Outcome
order by count(*) desc;/
```

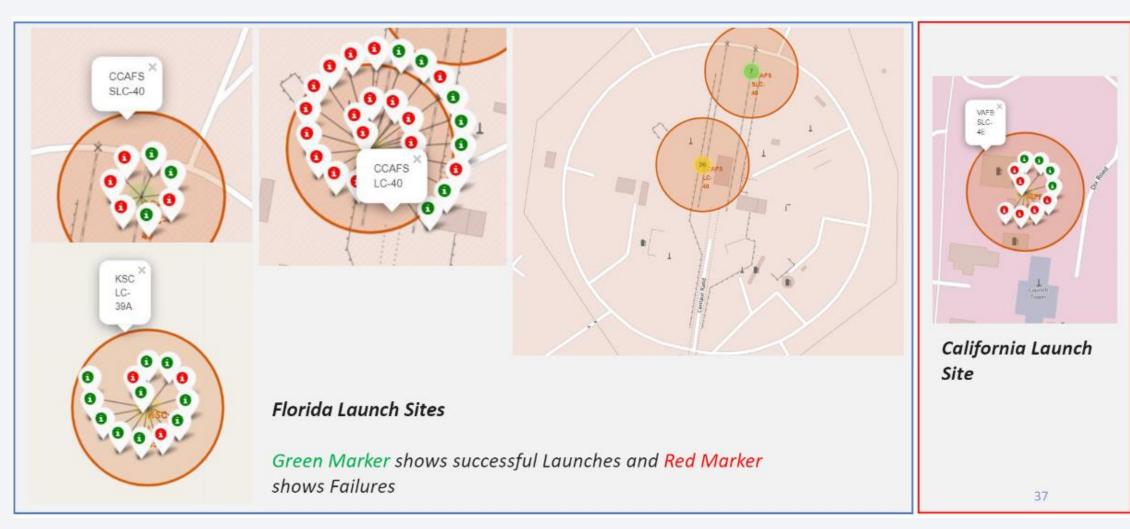
landing	outcome	landingcounts
N	o attempt	10
Failure (dr	5	
Success (dr	one ship)	5
Success (gro	5	
Controlle	3	
Uncontrolle	2	
Failure (pa	1	
Precluded (dr	one ship)	1



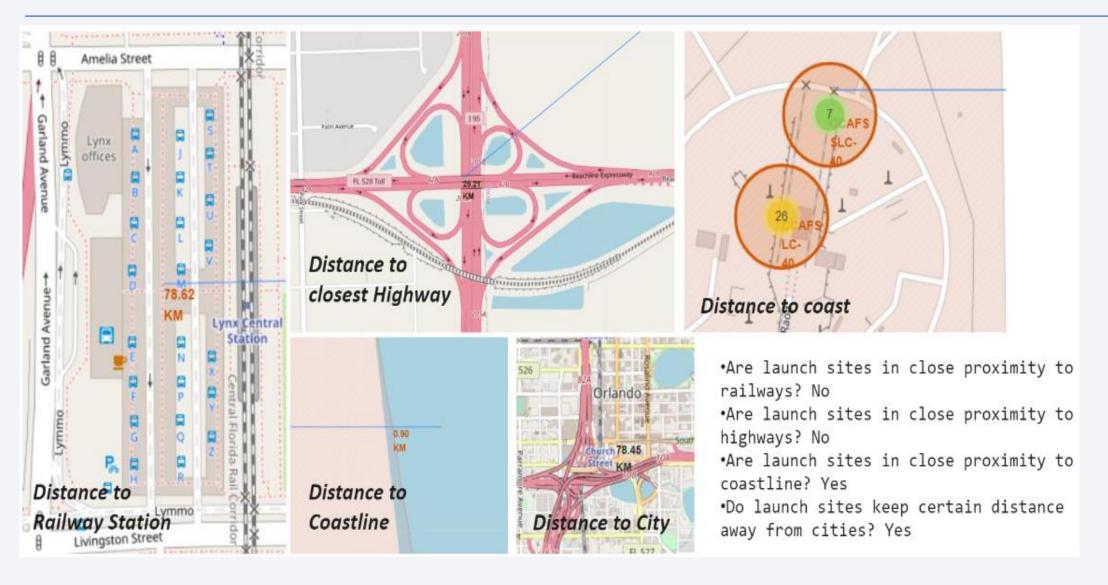
#### **All Launch Sites**



### **Color Labels**



#### **Distances**





#### Launch Success Counts For All Sites

- Launch Site 'KSC LC-39A' has the highest launch success rate
- Launch Site 'CCAFS SLC 40' has the lowest launch success rate



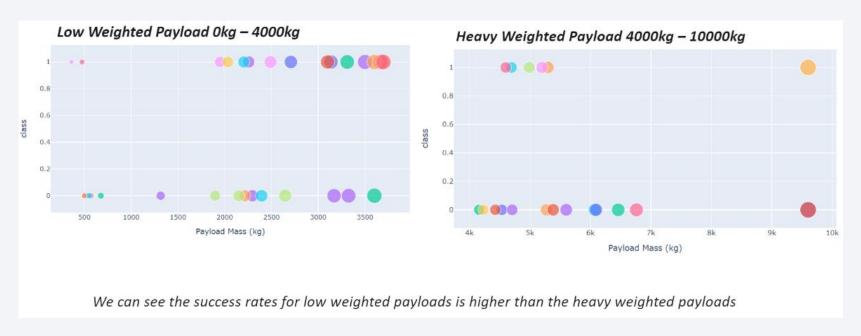
#### Launch Site with Highest Launch Success Ratio

- KSC LC-39A Launch Site has the highest launch success rate and count
- Launch success rate is 76.9%
- Launch success failure rate is 23.1%



#### Payload vs. Launch Outcome Scatter Plot for All Sites

- Most successful launches are in the payload range from 2000 to about 5500
- Booster version category 'FT' has the most successful launches
- Only booster with a success launch when payload is greater than 6k is 'B4'





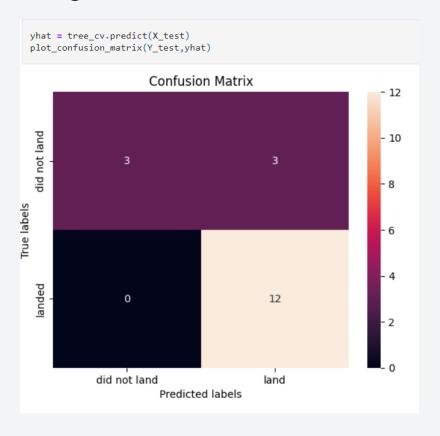
### **Classification Accuracy**

 Based on the Accuracy scores and as also evident from the bar chart, Decision Tree algorithm has the highest classification score with a value of .88928

```
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 0.8892857142857145
Best params is : {'criterion': 'gini', 'max depth': 2, 'max features': 'sqrt', 'min samples leaf': 4, 'min samples split': 2,
'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 positives .i.e., unsuccessful landing marked as successful landing by the classifier.



#### 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**

• Include any relevant assets like Python code snippets, SQL queries, charts, Notebook outputs, or data sets that you may have created during this project

