

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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#### Introduction

#### Project background and context

In this capstone, 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 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. This information can be used if an alternate company wants to bid against SpaceX for a rocket launch

Problems you want to find answers

What are the key variables that coincide with successful launches



# Methodology

#### **Executive Summary**

- Data collection methodology:
  - Describe how data was collected
- Perform data wrangling
  - Describe how data was processed
- 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**

How the data was collected:

Data was extracted through SpaceX API from Wikipedia page "https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past" using requests library functions "response" and "get".

The data was then converted into a JSON file and stored into a data frame using functions from the PANDAS library.

# Data Collection – SpaceX API

# Using request function from requests library, assign data from link to response variable

```
[8]: spacex_url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"

[9]: response = requests.get(spacex_url)
```



#### Save the SpaceX Launch data as a JSON file

```
[11]: static_json_url='https://cf-courses-data.sa.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DS0321EN-SkillsNetwork/datasets/API_call_spacex_api.json'.

We should see that the request was successfull with the 200 status response code
[12]: response.status_code
[12]: 200

[13]: # Use json_normalize meethod to convert the json result into a dataframe response = requests.get(static_json_url).json()
data = pd.json_normalize(response)
```

GitHub link to Capstone folder with completed notebooks: https://github.com/adervishaj-afk/Capstone/blob/master/Lab%201%3A%20Collecting% 20the%20data.ipynb

#### Create dictionary with only the relevant attributes

```
[23]: launch dict = {'FlightNumber': list(data['flight number']),
       'Date': list(data['date']),
       'BoosterVersion':BoosterVersion,
       'PayloadMass':PayloadMass,
       'Orbit':Orbit,
       'LaunchSite':LaunchSite,
       'Outcome':Outcome,
       'Flights':Flights,
       'GridFins':GridFins,
       Reused':Reused.
       'LandingPad':LandingPad,
       'Block':Block,
       'ReusedCount':ReusedCount,
       'Serial':Serial,
       'Longitude': Longitude,
       'Latitude': Latitude}
```

# Create a data frame with the filtered information and save as a CSV

```
[26]: #_Create_a_data_from_launch_dict

df = pd.DataFrame.from_dict(launch_dict, orient='index')

df = df.transpose()

data_falcon9.to_csv('dataset_part_1.csv', index=False)
```

# **Data Collection - Scraping**



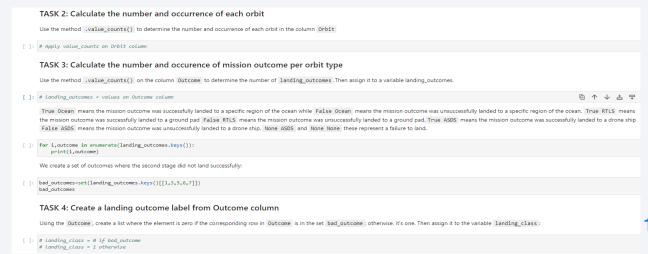
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# **Data Wrangling**

True Ocean means the mission outcome was successfully landed to a specific region of the ocean while False Ocean means the mission outcome was unsuccessfully landed to a specific region of the ocean. True RTLS means the mission outcome was successfully landed to a ground pad False RTLS means the mission outcome was unsuccessfully landed to a ground pad. True ASDS means the mission outcome was successfully landed to a drone ship False ASDS means the mission outcome was unsuccessfully landed to a drone ship. None ASDS and None None these represent a failure to land.

Mission outcome is presented as categorical data and needed to be transformed into numerical values of 1 (success) and 0 (failure) in order apply function to the data. This method of converting categorical data to 1/0's that are able to be processed as numerical data is called "One-Hot Encoding".

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

#### Scatter Graphs

- Flight Number vs. Payload Mass
- Flight Number vs. Launch Site
- Payload vs. Launch Site
- Orbit vs. Flight Number
- · Payload vs. Orbit Type
- Orbit vs. Payload Mass



Scatter plots show relationship between variables. This relationship is called the correlation.

#### Bar Graph

Success rate vs. Orbit

Bar graphs show the relationship between numeric and categoric variables.



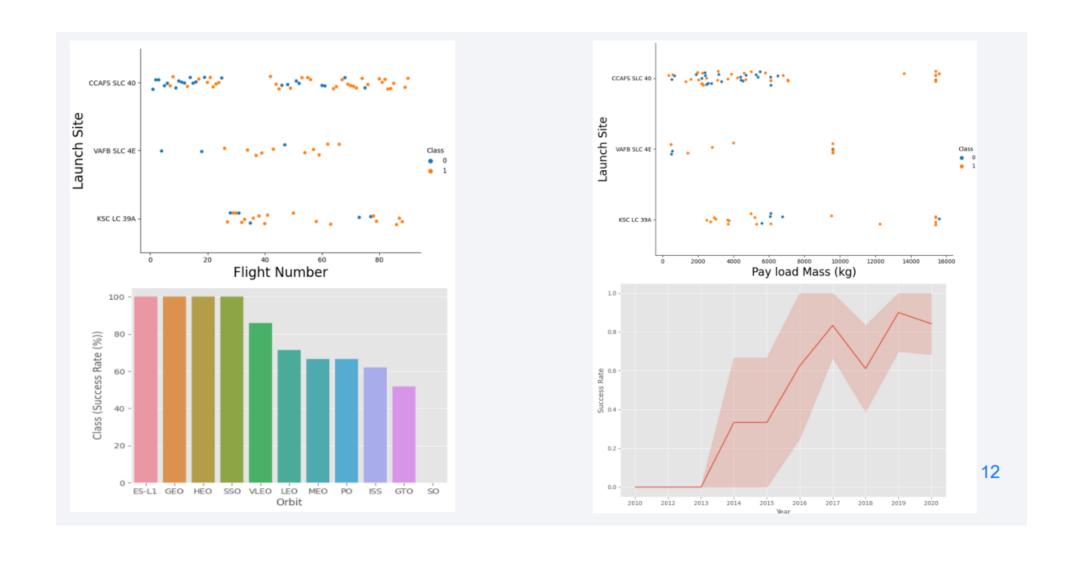
#### Line Graph

Success rate vs. Year

Line graphs show data variables and their trends. Line graphs can help to show global behavior and make prediction for unseen data.



### **EDA** with Data Visualization



### **EDA** with SQL

- The following SQL queries were performed for EDA
  - Display the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission

```
%sql SELECT DISTINCT LAUNCH_SITE as "Launch_Sites" FROM SPACEXTBL;
```

Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'

```
%sql SELECT * FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Launch_Site LIKE 'CCA%' LIMIT 5;
```

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

```
%sql SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) as "Total Payload Mass(Kgs)", Customer FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Customer = 'NASA (CRS)';
```

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

```
%sql SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_) as "Payload Mass Kgs", Customer, Booster_Version FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Booster_Version LIKE 'F9 v1.1%';
```

### Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Folium map object is a map centered on NASA Johnson Space Center at Houson, Texas
  - Red circle at NASA Johnson Space Center's coordinate with label showing its name (folium.Circle, folium.map.Marker).
  - Red circles at each launch site coordinates with label showing launch site name (folium.Circle, folium.map.Marker, folium.features.Divlcon).
  - The grouping of points in a cluster to display multiple and different information for the same coordinates (folium.plugins.MarkerCluster).
  - Markers to show successful and unsuccessful landings. Green for successful landing and Red for unsuccessful landing. (folium.map.Marker, folium.lcon).
  - Markers to show distance between launch site to key locations (railway, highway, coastway, city) and plot a line between them.
     (folium.map.Marker, folium.PolyLine, folium.features.Divlcon)
- These objects are created in order to understand better the problem and the data. We can show easily all launch sites, their surroundings and the number of successful and unsuccessful landings.

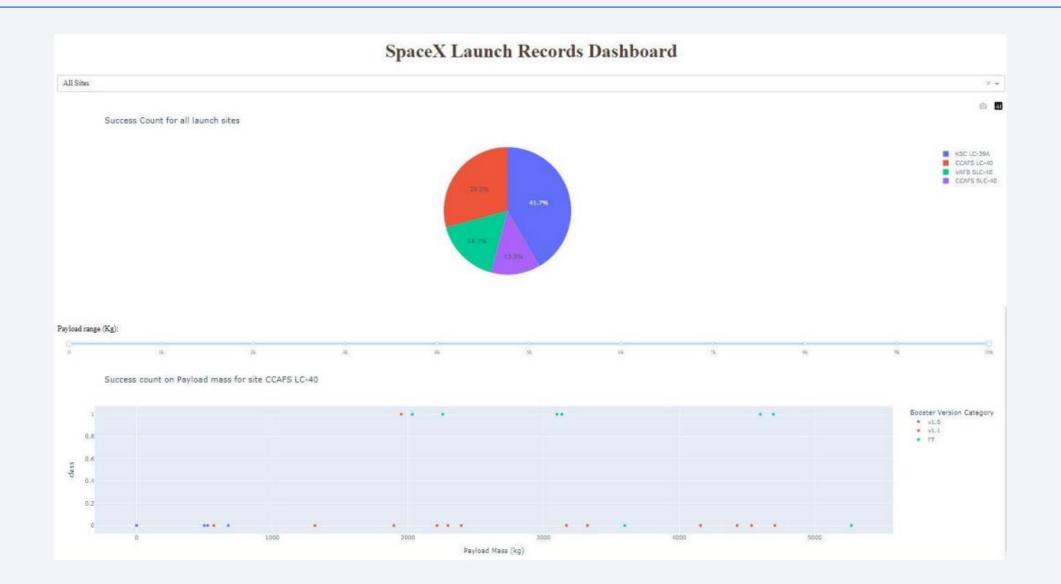
### Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- Summarize what plots/graphs and interactions you have added to a dashboard
- Explain why you added those plots and interactions
- Add the GitHub URL of your completed Plotly Dash lab, as an external reference and peer-review purpose

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- Built an interactive dashboard application with Plotly dash by:
  - Adding a Launch Site Drop-down Input Component
  - Adding a callback function to render success-pie-chart based on selected site dropdown
  - Adding a Range Slider to Select Payload
  - Addeng a callback function to render the success-payload-scatter-chart scatter plot

### Results





# Flight Number vs. Launch Site



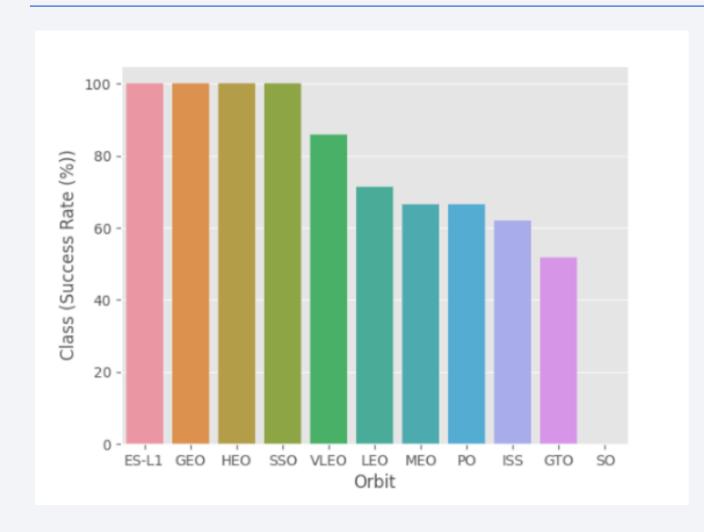
For VAFB SLC 4E the more flights that take place the greater the success of the launch site

# Payload vs. Launch Site



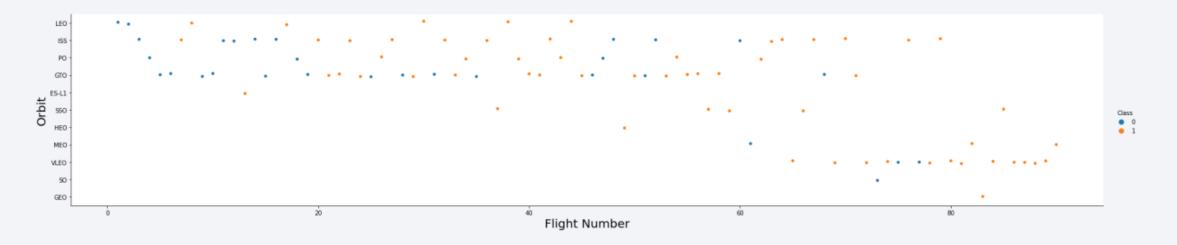
Rockets over 9000kg have a greater success rate

# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



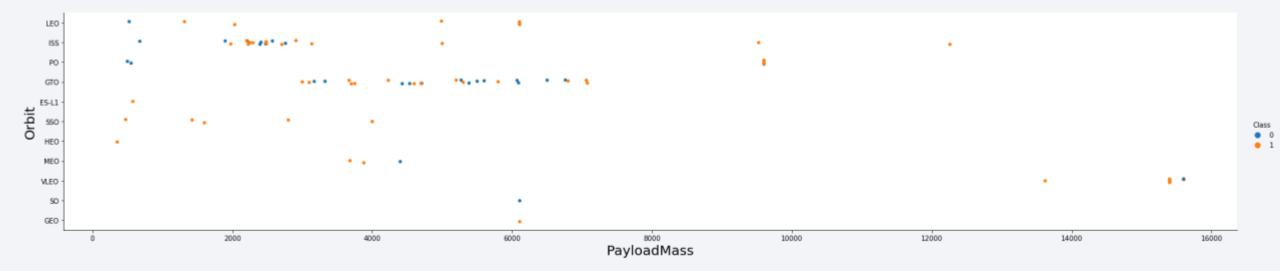
Rockets entering orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO have the highest success rate

# Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



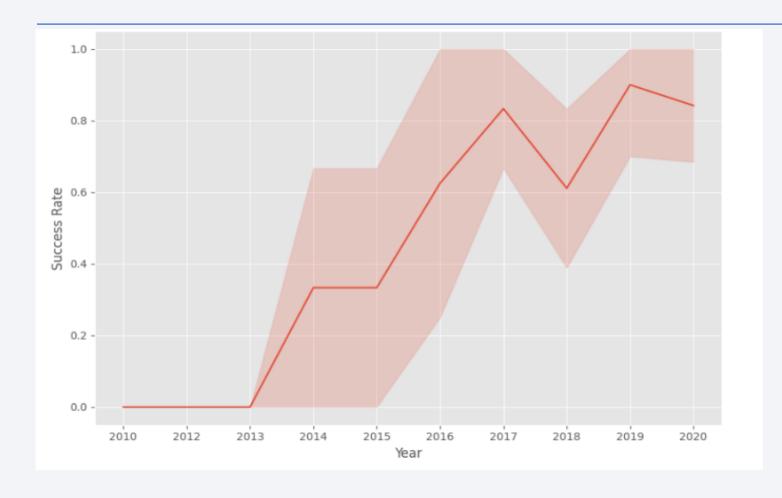
HEO, MEO, VLEO, SO and GEO require at least 60 flights before achieving any success

### Payload vs. Orbit Type



The weight of the payloads can have a great influence on the success rate of the launches in certain orbits. For example, heavier payloads improve the success rate for the LEO orbit. Another finding is that decreasing the payload weight for a GTO orbit improves the success of a launch.

# Launch Success Yearly Trend



Success rates having been increasing since 2013

#### All Launch Site Names

#### Task 1

Display the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission

```
%sql SELECT DISTINCT LAUNCH_SITE as "Launch_Sites" FROM SPACEXTBL;

* sqlite://my_data1.db
Done.

Launch_Sites

CCAFS LC-40

VAFB SLC-4E

KSC LC-39A

CCAFS SLC-40
```

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

Find 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`

	Task 2									
	Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'									
[n [72]: %sql SELECT * FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Launch_Site LIKE 'CCA%' LIMIT 5;										
	* sqlite:///my_data1.db Done.									
Out[72]:	Date	Time (UTC)	Booster_Version	Launch_Site	Payload	PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_	Orbit	Customer	Mission_Outcome	Landing _Outcome
	04-06- 2010	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Failure (parachute)
	08-12- 2010	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)
	22-05- 2012	07:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2	525	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attempt
	08-10- 2012	00:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-1	500	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt
	01-03- 2013	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-2	677	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt

# **Total Payload Mass**

# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

Calculate the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

#### Task 4

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

```
%sql SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) as "Payload Mass Kgs", Customer, Booster_Version FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Booster_Version LIKE 'F9 v1.1%';
```

\* sqlite:///my\_data1.db Done.

#### Payload Mass Kgs Customer Booster\_Version

2534,6666666666665 MDA F9 v1.1 B1003

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

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

#### Task 5

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

Hint:Use min function

```
%sql SELECT MIN(DATE) FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE "Landing _Outcome" = "Success (ground pad)";

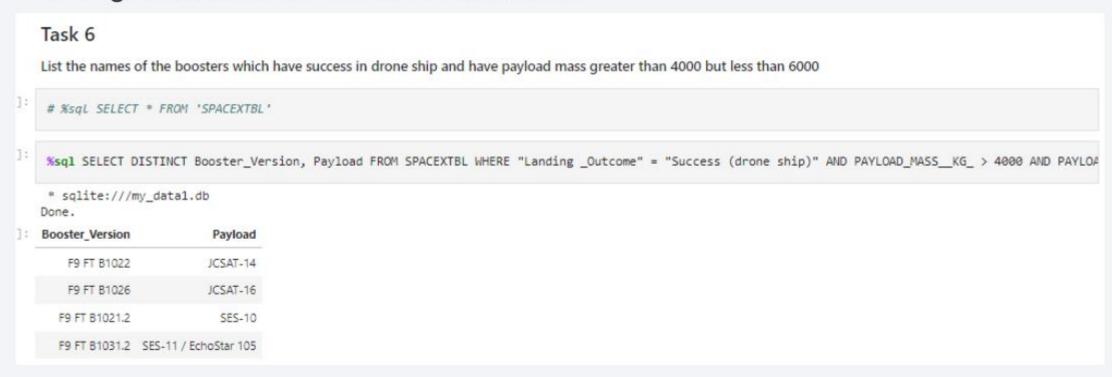
* sqlite:///my_datal.db
Done.

MIN(DATE)

01-05-2017
```

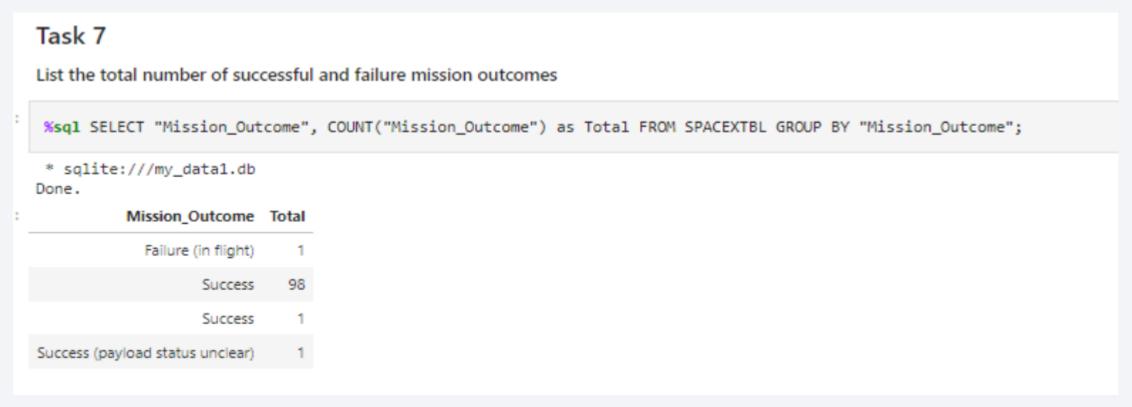
#### Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

 List 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

Calculate the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes



# **Boosters Carried Maximum Payload**

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

* sqlite:///m	ny_data1.db	
Booster_Version	Payload	PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_
F9 B5 B1048.4	Starlink 1 v1.0, SpaceX CRS-19	15600
F9 B5 B1049.4	Starlink 2 v1.0, Crew Dragon in-flight abort test	15600
F9 B5 B1051.3	Starlink 3 v1.0, Starlink 4 v1.0	15600
F9 B5 B1056.4	Starlink 4 v1.0, SpaceX CRS-20	15600
F9 B5 B1048.5	Starlink 5 v1.0, Starlink 6 v1.0	15600
F9 B5 B1051.4	Starlink 6 v1.0, Crew Dragon Demo-2	15600
F9 B5 B1049.5	Starlink 7 v1.0, Starlink 8 v1.0	15600
F9 B5 B1060.2	Starlink 11 v1.0, Starlink 12 v1.0	15600
F9 B5 B1058.3	Starlink 12 v1.0, Starlink 13 v1.0	15600
F9 B5 B1051.6	Starlink 13 v1.0, Starlink 14 v1.0	15600
F9 B5 B1060.3	Starlink 14 v1.0, GPS III-04	15600
F9 B5 B1049.7	Starlink 15 v1.0, SpaceX CRS-21	15600

#### 2015 Launch Records

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

#### Task 9

List the records which will display the month names, failure landing\_outcomes in drone ship ,booster versions, launch\_site for the months in year 2015.

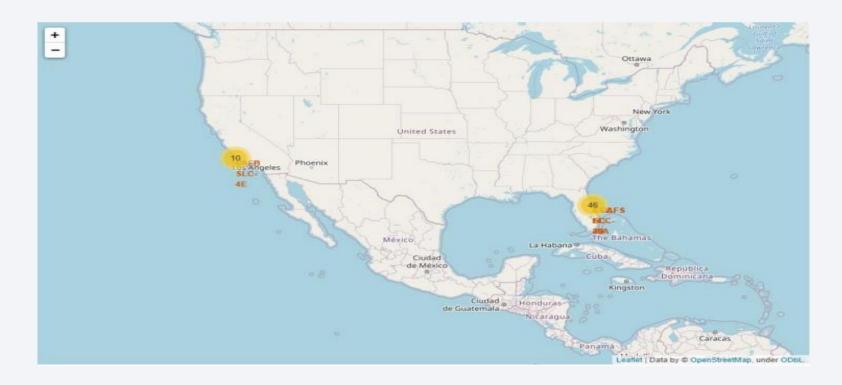
#### Rank Landing Outcomes Between 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20

 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

Task 10  Rank the count of successful landing_outcomes between the date 04-06-2010 and 20-03-2017 in descending order.									
%sq1 S	ELECT * F	ROM SPACEXTBL	WHERE "Landi	ng _Outcome" LIKE 'Suc	cess%' AND (Date BET	WEEN '0	4-06-2010' AND '20-03-2017'	) ORDER BY Date D	ESC;
* sqli	te:///my_	_data1.db							
Date	Time (UTC)	Booster_Version	Launch_Site	Payload	PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_	Orbit	Customer	Mission_Outcome	Landing _Outcome
19-02- 2017	14:39:00	F9 FT B1031.1	KSC LC-39A	SpaceX CRS-10	2490	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Success (ground pad)
18-10- 2020	12:25:57	F9 B5 B1051.6	KSC LC-39A	Starlink 13 v1.0, Starlink 14 v1.0	15600	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Success
18-08- 2020	14:31:00	F9 B5 B1049.6	CCAFS SLC- 40	Starlink 10 v1.0, SkySat-19, -20, -21, SAOCOM 1B	15440	LEO	SpaceX, Planet Labs, PlanetIQ	Success	Success
18-07- 2016	04:45:00	F9 FT 81025.1	CCAFS LC-40	SpaceX CRS-9	2257	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Success (ground pad)
18-04- 2018	22:51:00	F9 B4 B1045.1	CCAFS SLC- 40	Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite (TESS)	362	HEO	NASA (LSP)	Success	Success (drone ship)



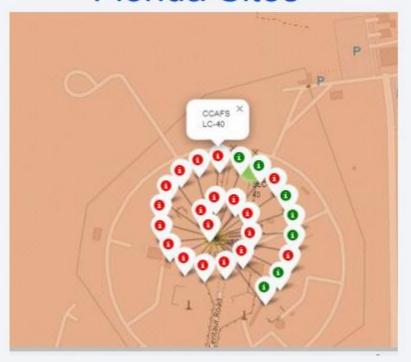
# Map of All Launch Sites



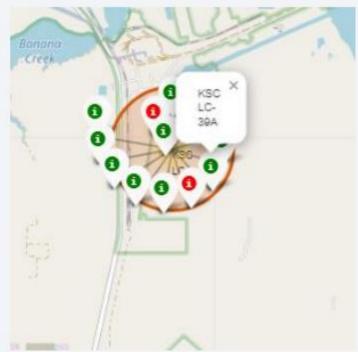
Launch sites are on the coast lines of the US

## Folium map - Color Labeled Markers

#### Florida Sites







 In the Eastern coast (Florida) Launch site KSC LC-39A has relatively high success rates compared to CCAFS SLC-40 & CCAFS LC-40.

#### Launch outcomes for each site on the map With Color Markers



Is CCAFS SLC-40 in close proximity to railways? Yes
Is CCAFS SLC-40 in close proximity to highways? Yes
Is CCAFS SLC-40 in close proximity to coastline? Yes
Do CCAFS SLC-40 keeps certain distance away from cities? No



# Dashboard - Total success by Site

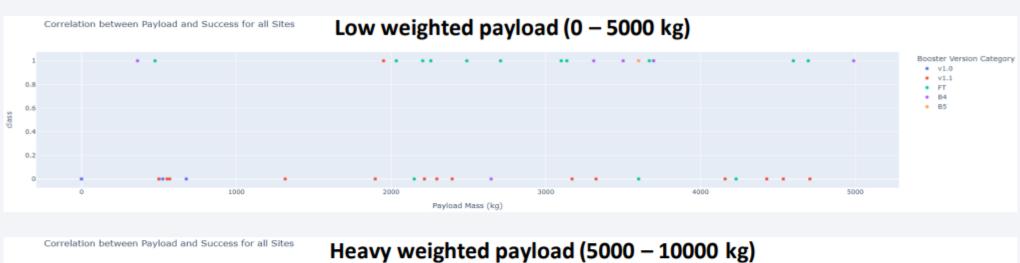


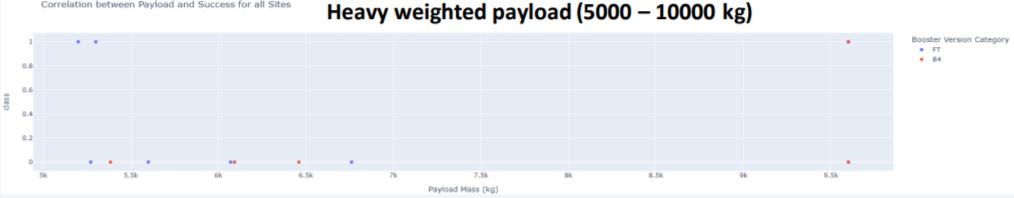
 Launch site KSC LC-39A has the highest launch success rate at 42% followed by CCAFS LC-40 at 29%, VAFB SLC-4E at 17% and lastly launch site CCAFS SLC-40 with a success rate of 13%

#### Dashboard - Total success launches for Site KSC LC-39A



#### Payload vs. Launch Outcome scatter plot for all sites





Low weighted payloads have a better success rate than the heavy weighted payloads.

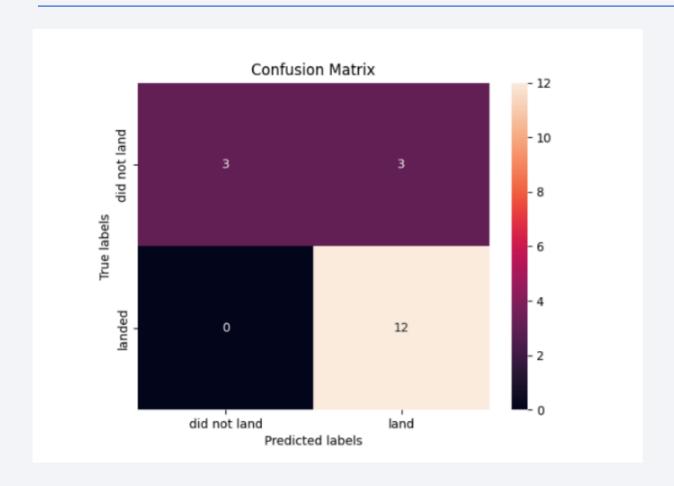


# **Classification Accuracy**

Out[68]:		0
	Method	Test Data Accuracy
	Logistic_Reg	0.833333
	SVM	0.833333
	Decision Tree	0.833333
	KNN	0.833333

All the methods perform equally on the test data: i.e. They all have the same accuracy of 0.833333 on the test Data

### **Confusion Matrix**



#### Conclusions

- Different launch sites have different success rates. CCAFS LC-40, has a success rate of 60 %, while KSC LC-39A and VAFB SLC 4E has a success rate of 77%.
- We can deduce that, as the flight number increases in each of the 3 launcg sites, so does the success rate. For instance, the success rate for the VAFB SLC 4E launch site is 100% after the Flight number 50. Both KSC LC 39A and CCAFS SLC 40 have a 100% success rates after 80th flight
- 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).
- Orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO & SSO have the highest success rates at 100%, with SO orbit having the lowest success rate at ~50%. Orbit SO has 0% success rate.
- 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

