



Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

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Introduction

- Project background and context
It costs SpaceX approximately 62 million dollars compared to other competitors which cost more than 165 million dollars. SpaceX reuses the first launch stage hence their reduced cost.
- Problems you want to find answers

We will be predicting if Space X's Falcon-9 will land successfully using the data from Falcon 9 rocket launches.

Section 1

Methodology

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

- Describe how data sets were collected.
 - The data was collected from the SpaceX API by making a get request. The relevant information is extracted from the API URL to get the rocket launch data.
 - The response received from the API was then decoded into a JSON file format. In order to analyse the data in a tabular format, a Panda dataframe object was created.
 - Using the BeautifulSoup and requests libraries for web scraping to collect historical Launch Data from a Wikipedia page titled - List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches. This data was also stored into a pandas dataframe.

Data Collection – SpaceX API

A Pandas dataframe was created using the launch data requested from the SpaceX API using a GET request. The response is then converted to a JSON format to be made into the dataframe.

- URL :
<https://github.com/balogunderin/SpaceX-Falcon-9-1st-stage-Success-Landing-Prediction/blob/main/jupyter-labs-spacex-data-collection-api.ipynb>

Task 1: Request and parse the SpaceX launch data using the GET request

To make the requested JSON results more consistent, we will use the following static response object for this project:

```
static_json_url='https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DS0321EN-SkillsNetwork/datasets/API_call_spacex_api.json'
```

[10]

Python

We should see that the request was successful with the 200 status response code

```
response.status_code
```

[11]

Python

... 200

Now we decode the response content as a Json using `.json()` and turn it into a Pandas dataframe using `.json_normalize()`

```
# Use json_normalize method to convert the json result into a dataframe  
data = pd.json_normalize(response.json())
```

[12]

Python

Data Collection - Scraping

- Historical Launch Dates of SpaceX were collected using Beautiful Soup and the Requests libraries. Data was extracted from the HTML table on the Wikipedia page.
- <https://github.com/balogunderin/SpaceX-Falcon-9-1st-stage-Success-Landing-Prediction/blob/main/jupyter-labs-webscraping.ipynb>

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.

```
[10] ▶ # use requests.get() method with the provided static_url  
# assign the response to a object  
response = requests.get(static_url)
```

Python

Create a BeautifulSoup object from the HTML response

```
[11] # Use BeautifulSoup() to create a BeautifulSoup object from a response text content  
contents = response.content  
soup = BeautifulSoup(contents, "html.parser")
```

Python

Print the page title to verify if the BeautifulSoup object was created properly

```
[12] # Use soup.title attribute  
print(soup.title)
```

Python

Data Wrangling

- Post Dataframe creation, a BoosterVERSION column was created to filter the data and keep Falcon9 Launches only. Missing data were then altered and replaced using the average value of the data in the specific column.
- <https://github.com/balogunderin/SpaceX-Falcon-9-1st-stage-Success-Landing-Prediction/blob/main/labs-jupyter-spacex-Data%20wrangling.ipynb>

TASK 4: Create a landing outcome label from Outcome column

Using the `Outcome`, create a list where the element is zero if the corresponding row in `Outcome` variable `landing_class`:

```
# Landing_class = 0 if bad_outcome
# Landing_class = 1 otherwise
df['Class'] = df['Outcome'].apply(lambda x: 0 if x in bad_outcomes else 1)
df['Class'].value_counts()
```

```
1    60
0    30
Name: Class, dtype: int64
```

This variable will represent the classification variable that represents the outcome of each launch first stage landed Successfully

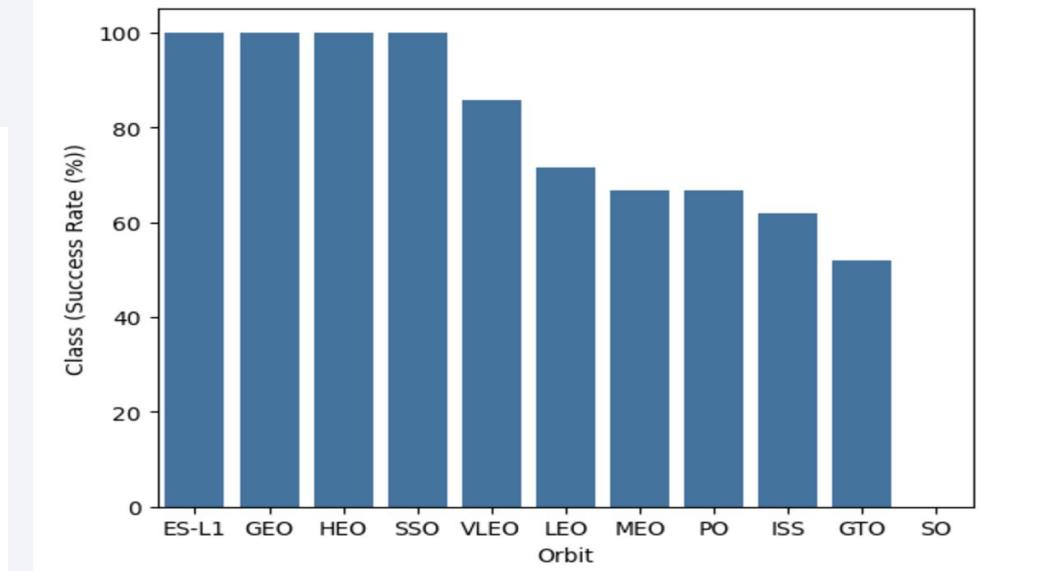
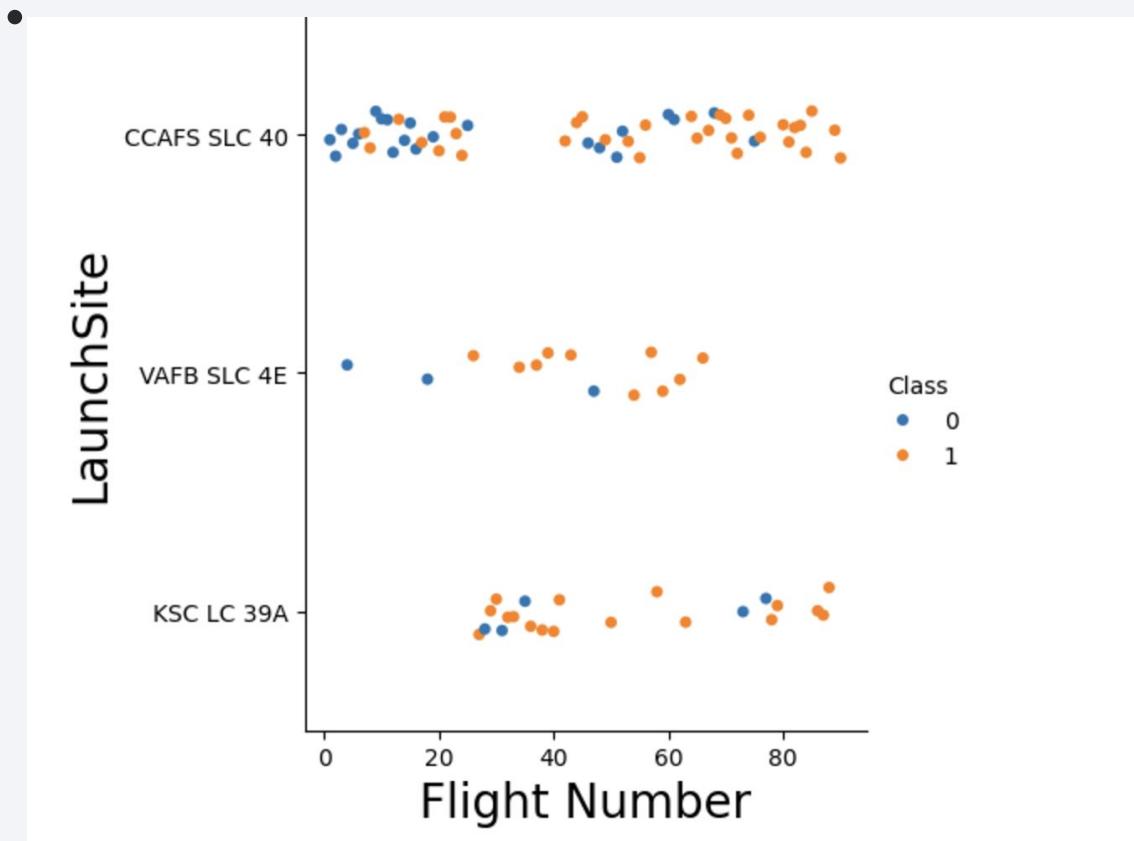
```
landing_class=df['Class']
df[['Class']].head(8)
```

Class
0
1
2
3
4
5
6
7

EDA with Data Visualization

- Pandas and Matplotlib were used to create the graphs and charts.
- A scatter plot was created to view the relationship between **Flight Number** and **Launch Site**, **Payload** and **Launch Site**, **FlightNumber** and **OrbitType**, **Payload** and **Orbit type**.
- A line plot was to visualize the **yearly trend of launch success**.
- A bar chart was used to visualize the **success rate vs the orbit type**.
- **URL:**
<https://github.com/balogunderin/SpaceX-Falcon-9-1st-stage-Success-Landing-Prediction/blob/main/5.%20Space-X%20EDA%20DataViz%20Using%20Pandas%20and%20Matplotlib%20-%20SpaceX.ipynb>

EDA with Data Visualization (graphs)



EDA with SQL

- The following SQL queries were performed:
 - Display the names of the unique launch sites

```
%sql select DISTINCT "Launch_Site" from SPACEXTABLE
```

Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string ‘CCA’

```
%sql select "Launch_Site" from SPACEXTABLE 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_") from SPACEXTABLE
```

- Display average payload mass

```
%sql select AVG("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_") from SPACEXTABLE
```

EDA with SQL (coun...)

- The following SQL queries were performed:
 - List the date the first successful landing occurred

```
%sql select min(Date) from SPACEXTABLE  
* sqlite:///my_data1.db  
Done.  
min(Date)  
2010-06-04
```

List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000

```
%sql SELECT DISTINCT Booster_Version, Payload FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "Landing _Outcome" = "Success (drone ship)" AND PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_ > 4000 AND PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_ < 6000;
```

List successful and failed mission outcomes

```
%sql select count(MISSION_OUTCOME) as missionoutcomes from SPACEXTBL GROUP BY MISSION_OUTCOME;
```

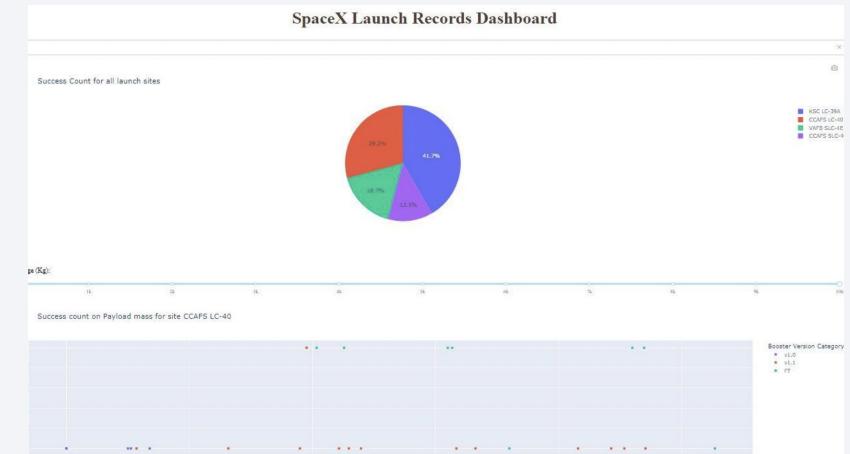
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Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- A folium map was created to mark the launch sites using markers and circles to mark the success or failure of individual launches at separate sites.
- The Launch outcomes then divided into failure=0 and success=1
- URL:<https://github.com/balogunderin/SpaceX-Falcon-9-1st-stage-Success-Landing-Prediction/blob/main/6.Space-X%20Launch%20Sites%20Locations%20Analyses%20with%20Folium-Interactive%20Visual%20Analytics.ipynb>

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- Created an interactive Plotly dashboard:
 - added a range slider to select payload
 - a callback function to render the scatter plot
 - adding a launch site drop-down input component
 - a callback to render selected site dropdown
- URL :
<https://github.com/balogunderin/SpaceX-Falcon-9-1st-stage-Success-Landing-Prediction/blob/main/Plotly%20Interactive%20Dashboard.py>



Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- Post creating the pandas dataframe next was to perform EDA and classify the training sets and labels.
- I created a Numpy array from the data, using the `to_numpy()` method and assigning it to an `a Y` variable.
- The dataset was then standarized using the `sklearn` library. the dataset was the split into training and test data using the `train_test_split` from `sklearn.model_selection`.
- URL:
<https://github.com/balogunderin/SpaceX-Falcon-9-1st-stage-Success-Landing-Prediction/blob/main/8.%20SpaceX%20Machine%20Learning%20Prediction.ipynb>

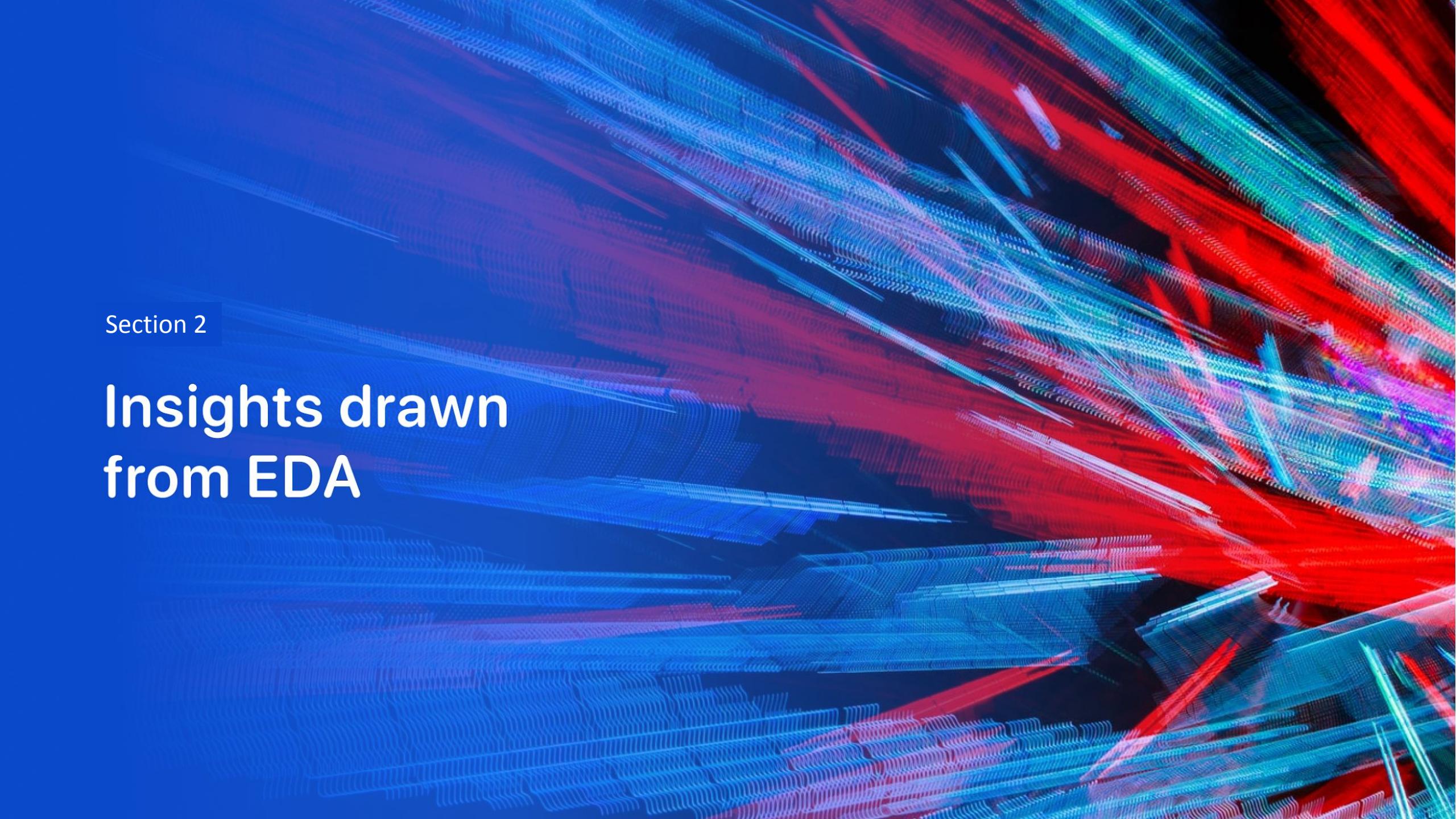
Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- To find the best Machine Learning model between k nearest neighbours, classification trees, logistic regression and svm;
- For each machine learning model, a GridSearchCV object then the training data is fit to find the best Hyperparameter
- Post fitting the training set I displayed the best attributes using the `best_params` attribute and to determine the accuracy of the trained model I used the `best_score` data attribute.
- The `score` method to calculate the accuracy on the test data for each respective model and plot a confusion matrix using the test/predicted outcomes.
- URL , test data score

Method	Test Data Accuracy
Logistic_Reg	0.833333
SVM	0.833333
Decision Tree	0.833333
KNN	0.833333

Results

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

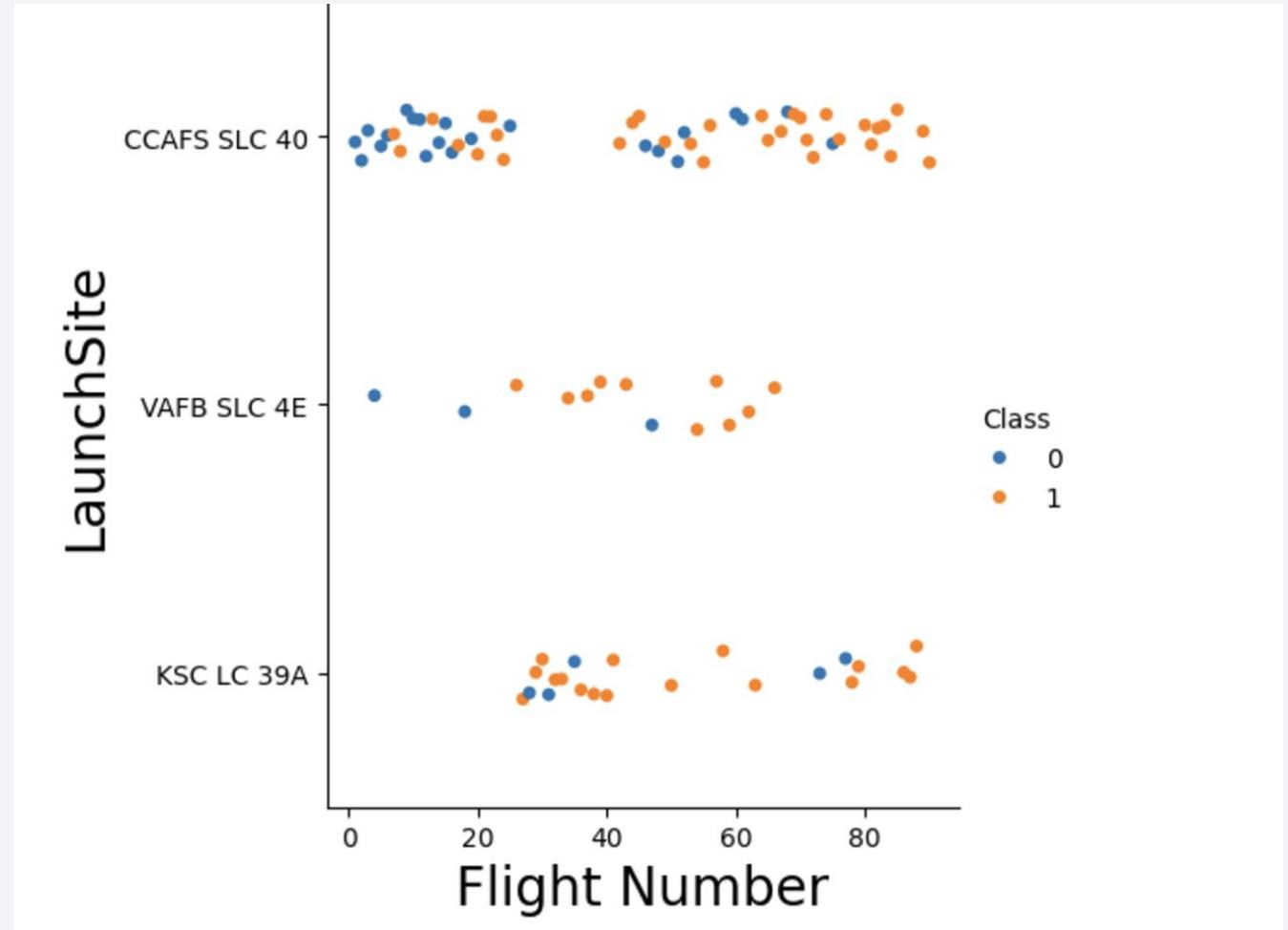
The background of the slide features a complex, abstract pattern of glowing lines. These lines are primarily blue and red, creating a sense of depth and motion. They appear to be composed of numerous small, glowing particles or dots, giving them a textured, almost liquid-like appearance. The lines converge and diverge, forming various shapes and directions across the dark, solid-colored background.

Section 2

Insights drawn from EDA

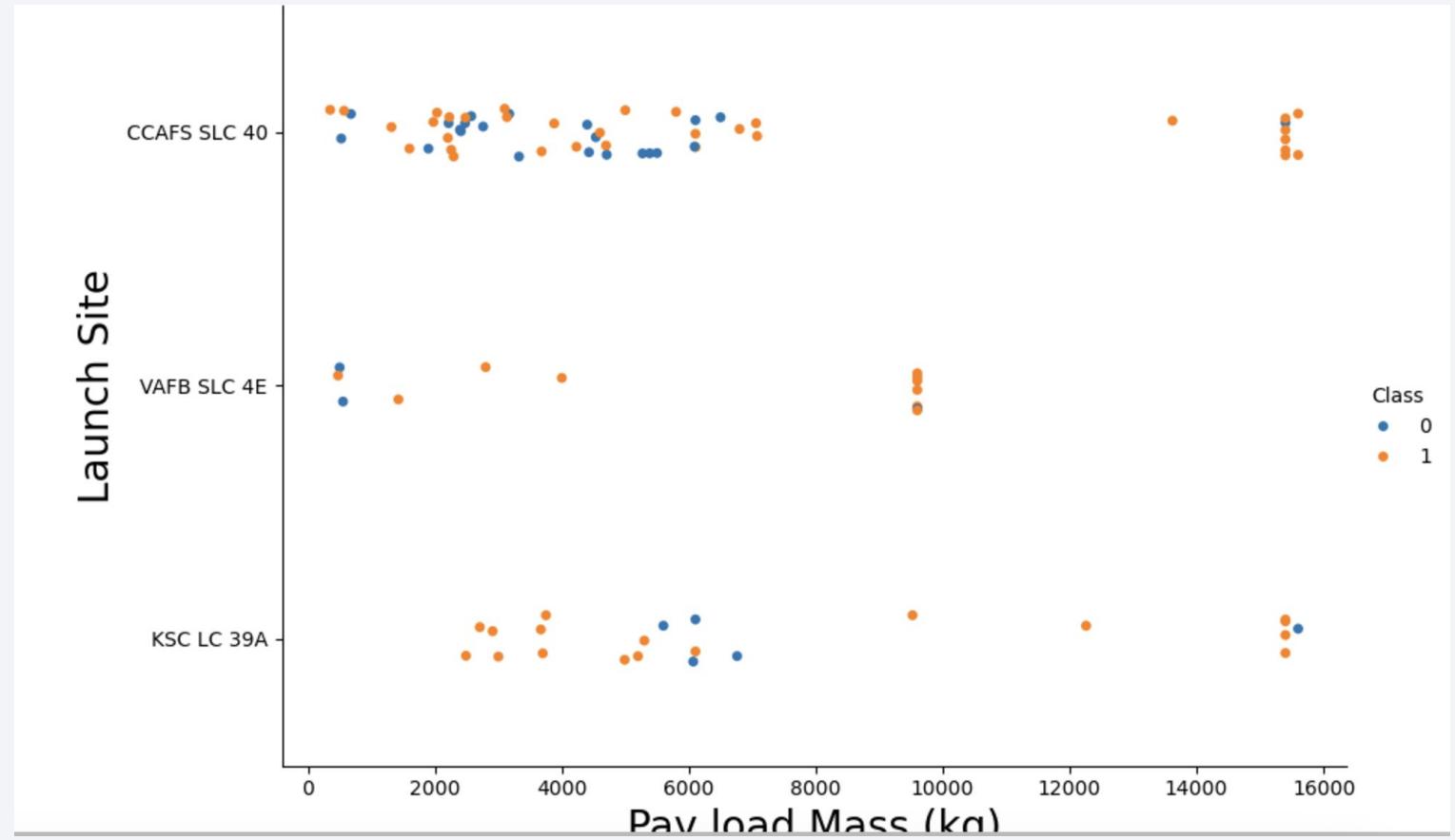
Flight Number vs. Launch Site

- Flight number and Launch site have a linear relationship. As success rate increases with flight number on each launch site.



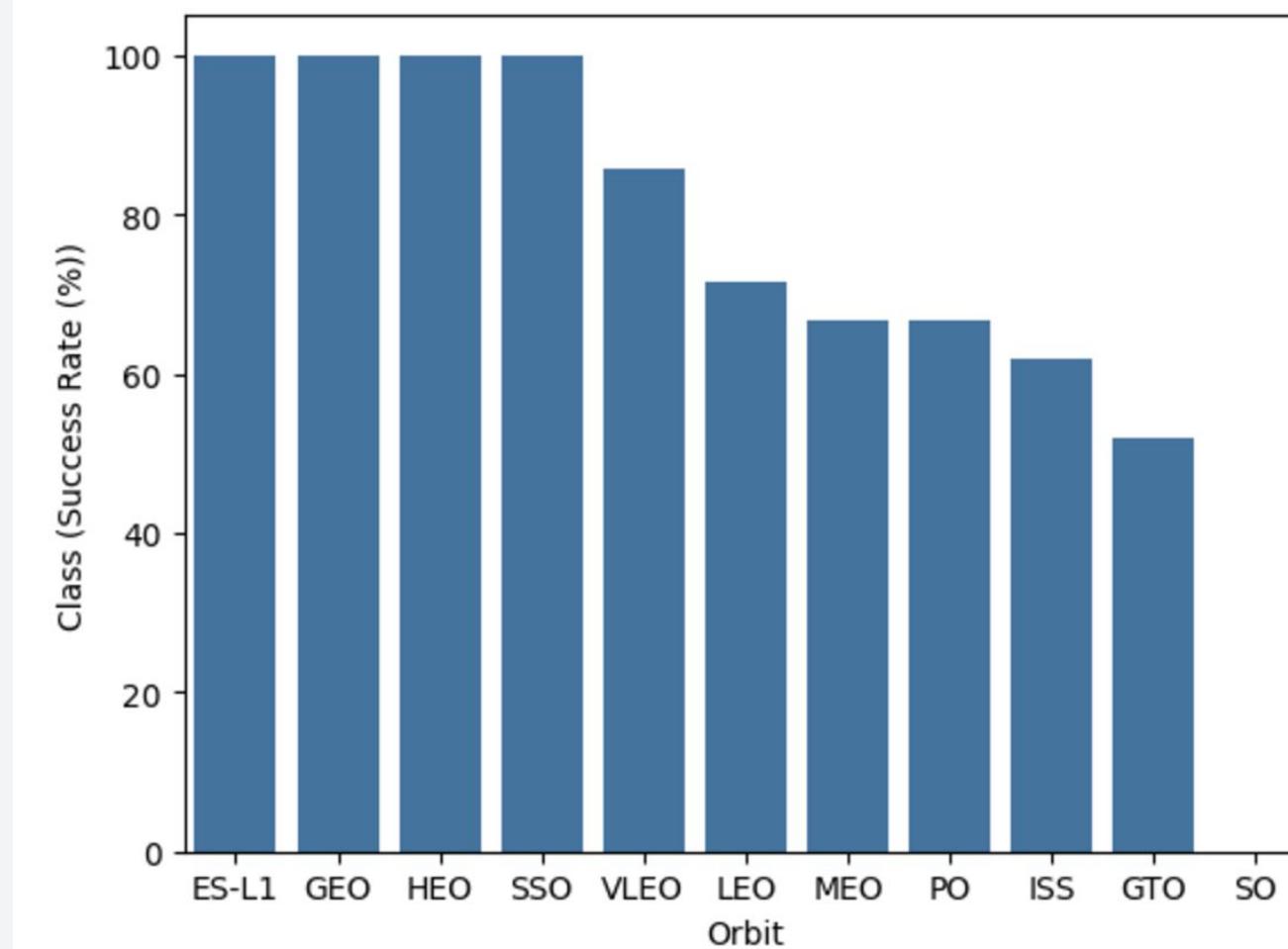
Payload vs. Launch Site

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



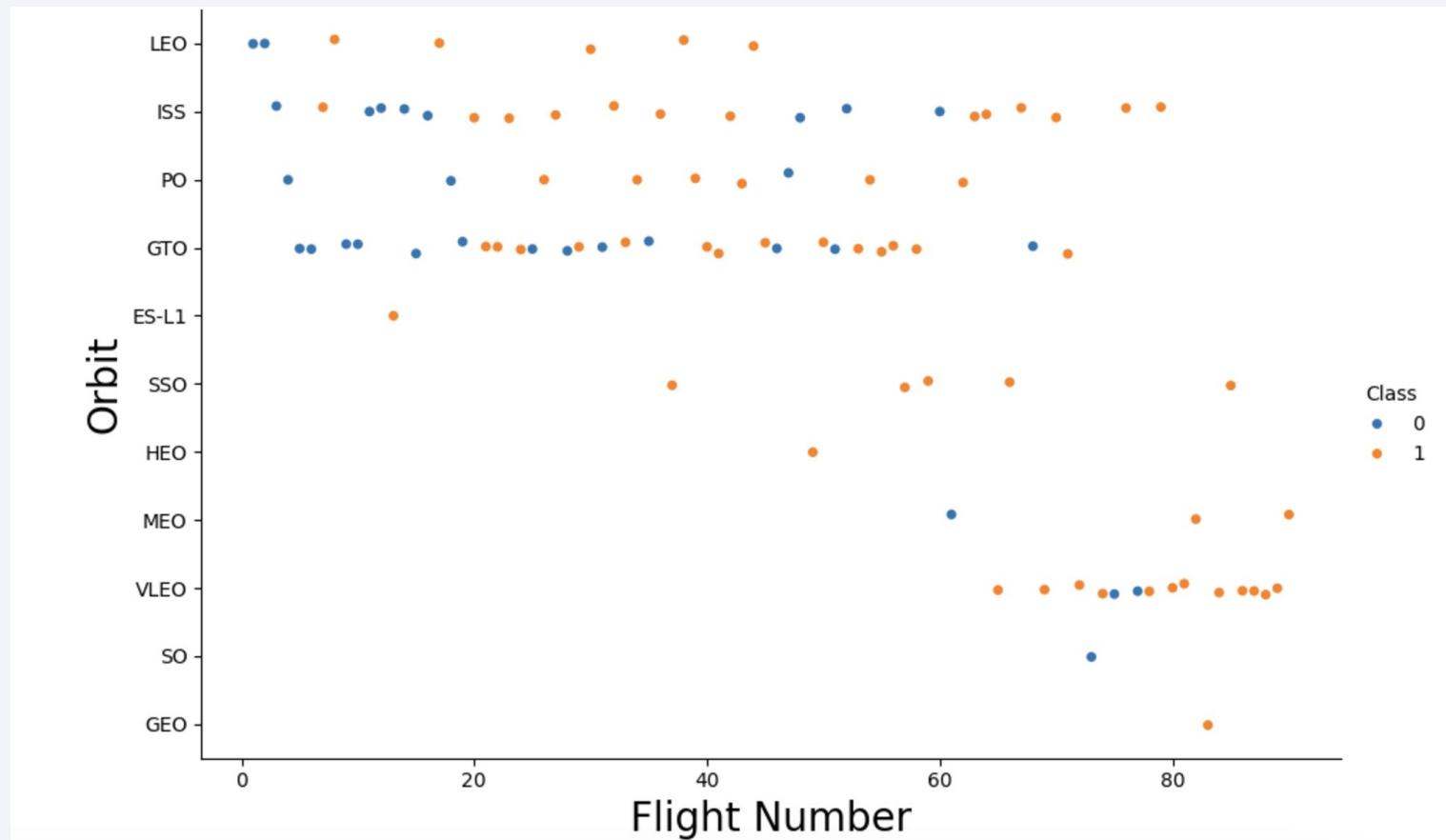
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

- ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO all have a 100% success rate. SO orbit has a 0% success rate. All other orbits are between 50% to about 85%



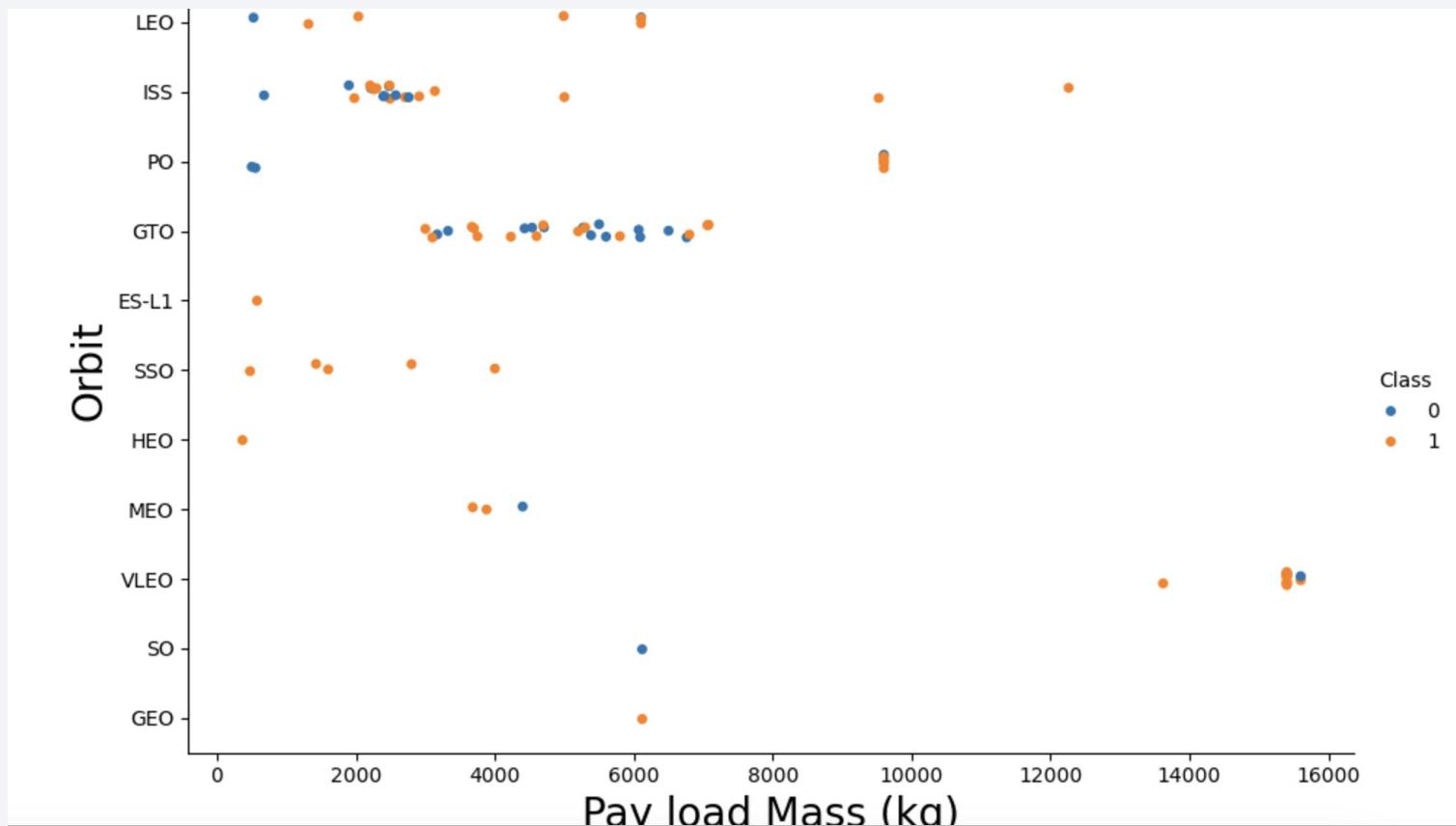
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

- You can observe that in the LEO orbit, success seems to be related to the number of flights. Conversely, in the GTO orbit, there appears to be no relationship between flight number and success.



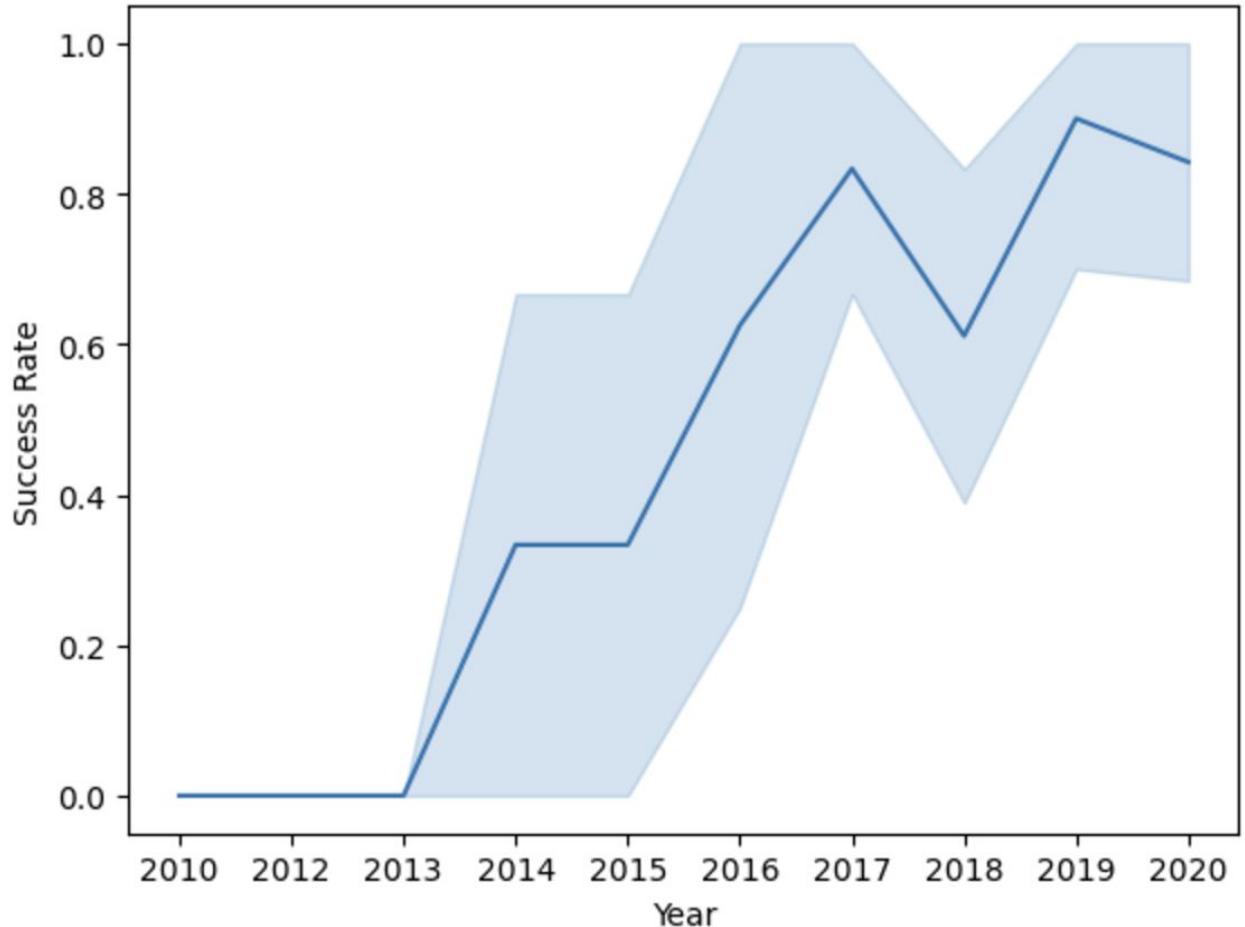
Payload vs. Orbit Type

- With heavy payloads the successful landing or positive landing rate are more for Polar, LEO and ISS.
- However, for GTO, it's difficult to distinguish between successful and unsuccessful landings as both outcomes are present.



Launch Success Yearly Trend

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



All Launch Site Names

- Find the names of the unique launch sites

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Used 'SELECT DISTINCT' in order to attain unique launch sites from the 'LAUNCH_SITE' column of the SPACEXTBL table

Task 1

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

```
%sql select DISTINCT "Launch_Site" from SPACEXTABLE
```

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

Done.

Launch_Site

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

```
%sql select "Launch_Site" from SPACEXTABLE where "Launch_Site" like "CCA%" limit 5
```

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

```
Done.
```

Launch_Site
CCAFS LC-40

Used 'LIKE' command with '%' wildcard in the 'WHERE' clause to select records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA' making the limit 5

Total Payload Mass

- Calculate the total payload carried by boosters from NASA

Task 3

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

```
%sql select SUM("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_") from SPACEXTABLE
```

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

```
Done.
```

```
SUM("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_")
```

```
619967
```

Used the 'SUM()' function to show the total sum of
'PAYLOAD_MASS_KG' column for Customer
'NASA(CRS)'

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_") from SPACEXTABLE
```

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

```
Done.
```

```
AVG("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_")
```

Used the 'AVG()' function to calculate and display the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

6138.287128712871

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 successful landing outcome in ground pad was achieved.

Hint: Use min function

```
%sql select min(Date) from SPACEXTABLE
```

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

Done.

```
min(Date)
```

Used the 'MIN()' function to return and display the first (oldest) date when first successful landing outcome on ground pad

2010-06-04

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

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

List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000

```
# %sql SELECT * FROM 'SPACEXTBL'
```

```
%sql SELECT DISTINCT Booster_Version, Payload FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "Landing _Outcome" = "Success (drone ship)" AND PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ > 4000 AND PAYLOA
```

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

```
Done.
```

Booster_Version	Payload
F9 FT B1022	JCSAT-14
F9 FT B1026	JCSAT-16
F9 FT B1021.2	SES-10
F9 FT B1031.2	SES-11 / EchoStar 105

Used 'Select Distinct' statement to list the names of boosters with operators >4000 and <6000 in payload mass with landing outcome of 'Success (drone ship)'

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

- Calculate the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

Task 7

List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

```
%sql select count(MISSION_OUTCOME) as missionoutcomes from SPACEXTBL GROUP BY MISSION_OUTCOME;
```

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

Done.

missionoutcomes

1

98

1

1

Used the 'COUNT()' with the 'GROUP BY' statement to return total number of missions outcomes

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

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

Task 8

List the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass. Use a subquery

```
%sql select BOOSTER_VERSION as boosterversion from SPACEXTBL where PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_=(select max(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) from SPACE  
* sqlite:///my_data1.db  
Done.
```

boosterversion

F9 B5 B1048.4

F9 B5 B1049.4

F9 B5 B1051.3

F9 B5 B1056.4

F9 B5 B1048.5

F9 B5 B1051.4

F9 B5 B1049.5

F9 B5 B1060.2

F9 B5 B1058.3

F9 B5 B1051.6

F9 B5 B1060.3

F9 B5 B1049.7

Using a Subquery to give the Max payload and used it to list all the boosters that have carried the Max payload of 15600kg

2015 Launch Records

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

Used the 'substr()' in the select statement to get the month and year from the date column and return the records matching the filter.

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.

Note: SQLite does not support monthnames. So you need to use substr(Date, 6,2) as month to get the months and substr(Date,0,5)='2015' for year.

```
%sql SELECT substr(Date, 6,2),MISSION_OUTCOME,BOOSTER_VERSION,LAUNCH_SITE FROM SPACEXTBL where substr(Date,0,5)='2015';
```

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

substr(Date, 6,2)	Mission_Outcome	Booster_Version	Launch_Site
01	Success	F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40
02	Success	F9 v1.1 B1013	CCAFS LC-40
03	Success	F9 v1.1 B1014	CCAFS LC-40
04	Success	F9 v1.1 B1015	CCAFS LC-40
04	Success	F9 v1.1 B1016	CCAFS LC-40
06	Failure (in flight)	F9 v1.1 B1018	CCAFS LC-40
12	Success	F9 FT B1019	CCAFS LC-40

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

Rank the count of successful landing_outcomes between the date 04-06-2010 and 20-03-2017 in descending order.

```
%sql SELECT * FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "Landing _Outcome" LIKE 'Success%' AND (Date BETWEEN '04-06-2010' AND '20-03-2017') ORDER BY Date DESC;
```

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

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 B1025.1	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)

The background of the slide is a photograph taken from space at night. It shows the curvature of the Earth's horizon against a dark blue sky. City lights are visible as small white dots, with larger clusters of lights indicating major urban centers. In the upper right quadrant, there is a bright green and yellow aurora borealis or aurora australis. The overall atmosphere is dark and mysterious.

Section 3

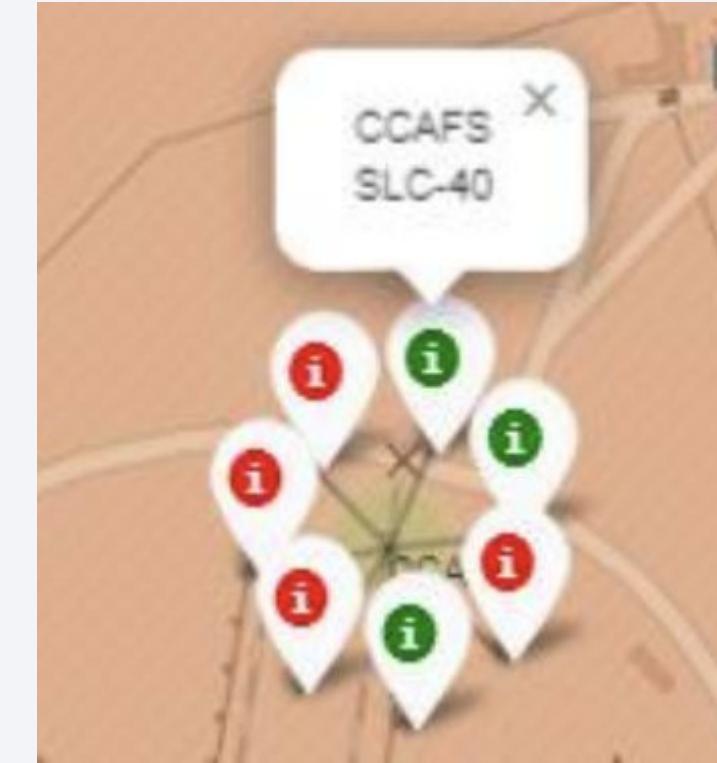
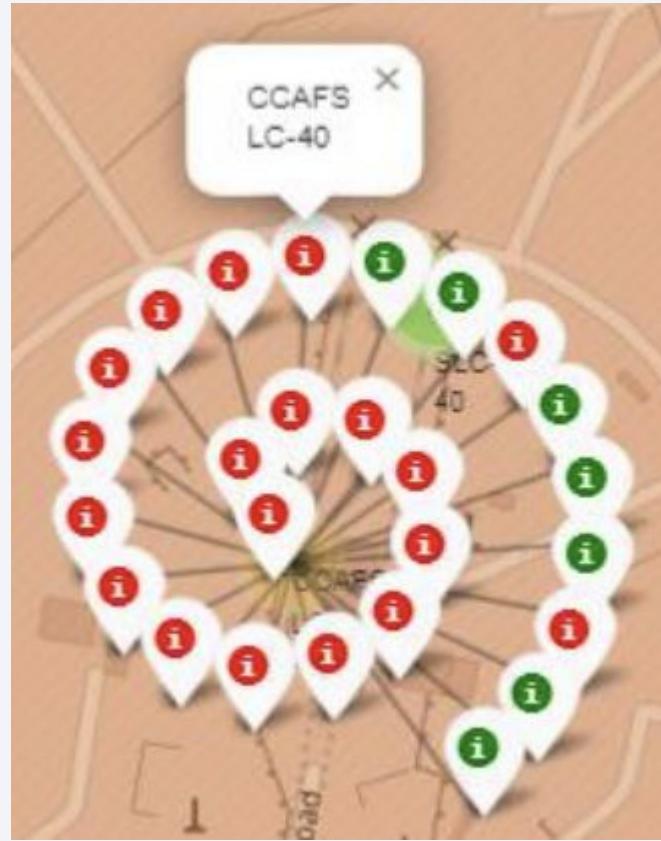
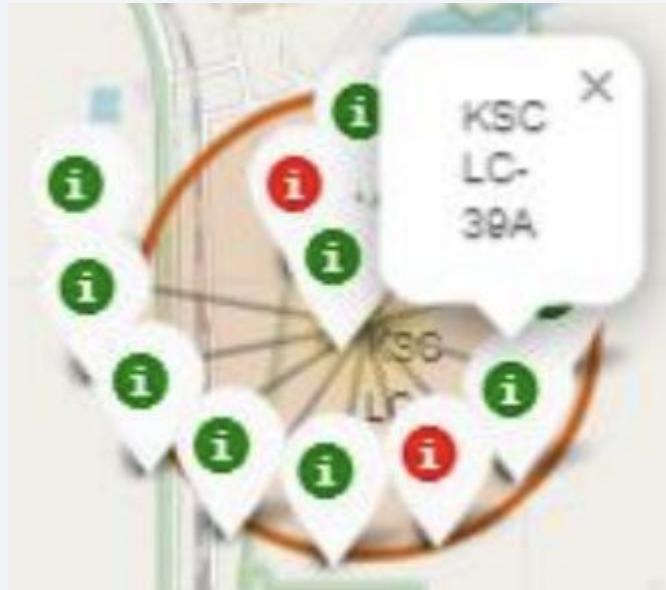
Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

Makers on global map



- All the launch sites are on the western hemisphere. They are also all on the coastline.

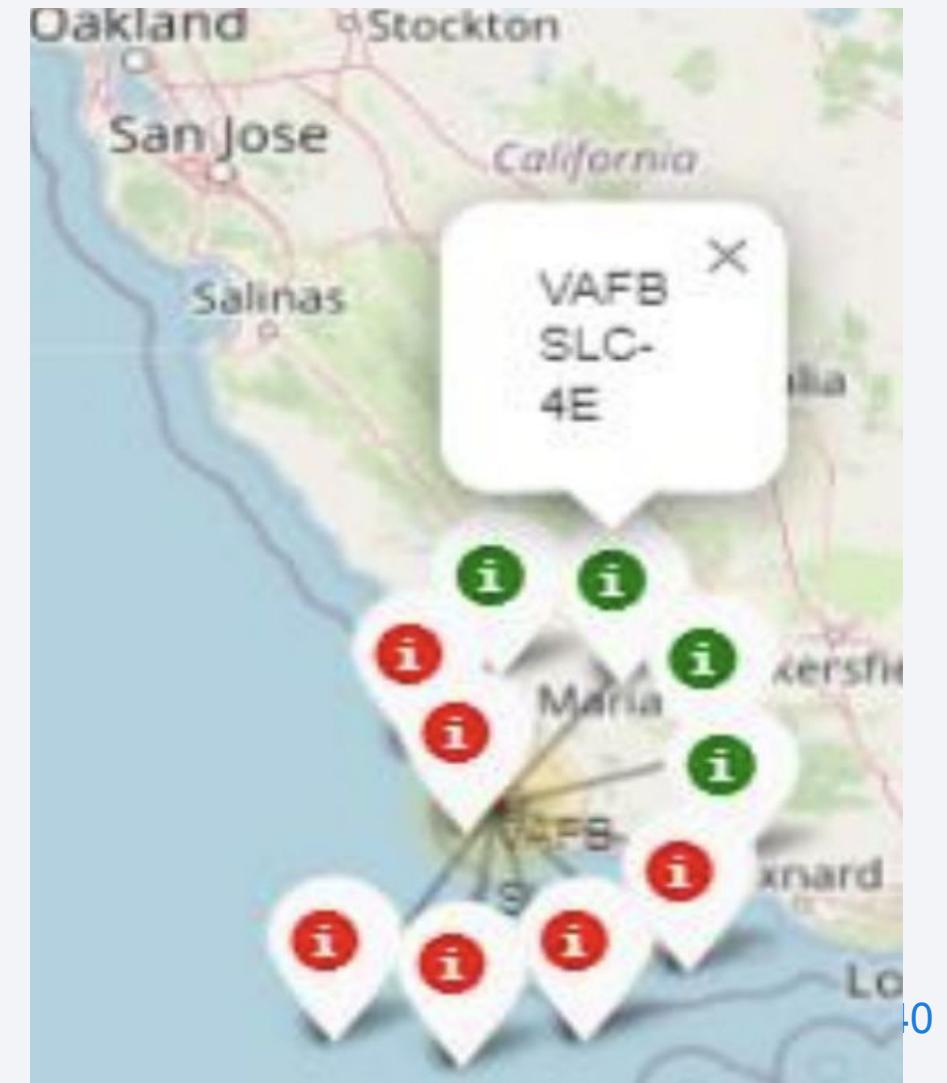
Launch outcomes for each site on the map



Launch site KSC LC-39A has a much higher success rate compared to CCAFS SLC-40 & CCAFS LC-40. CCAFS LC-40 also has the most launches in relation to the other sites in Florida.

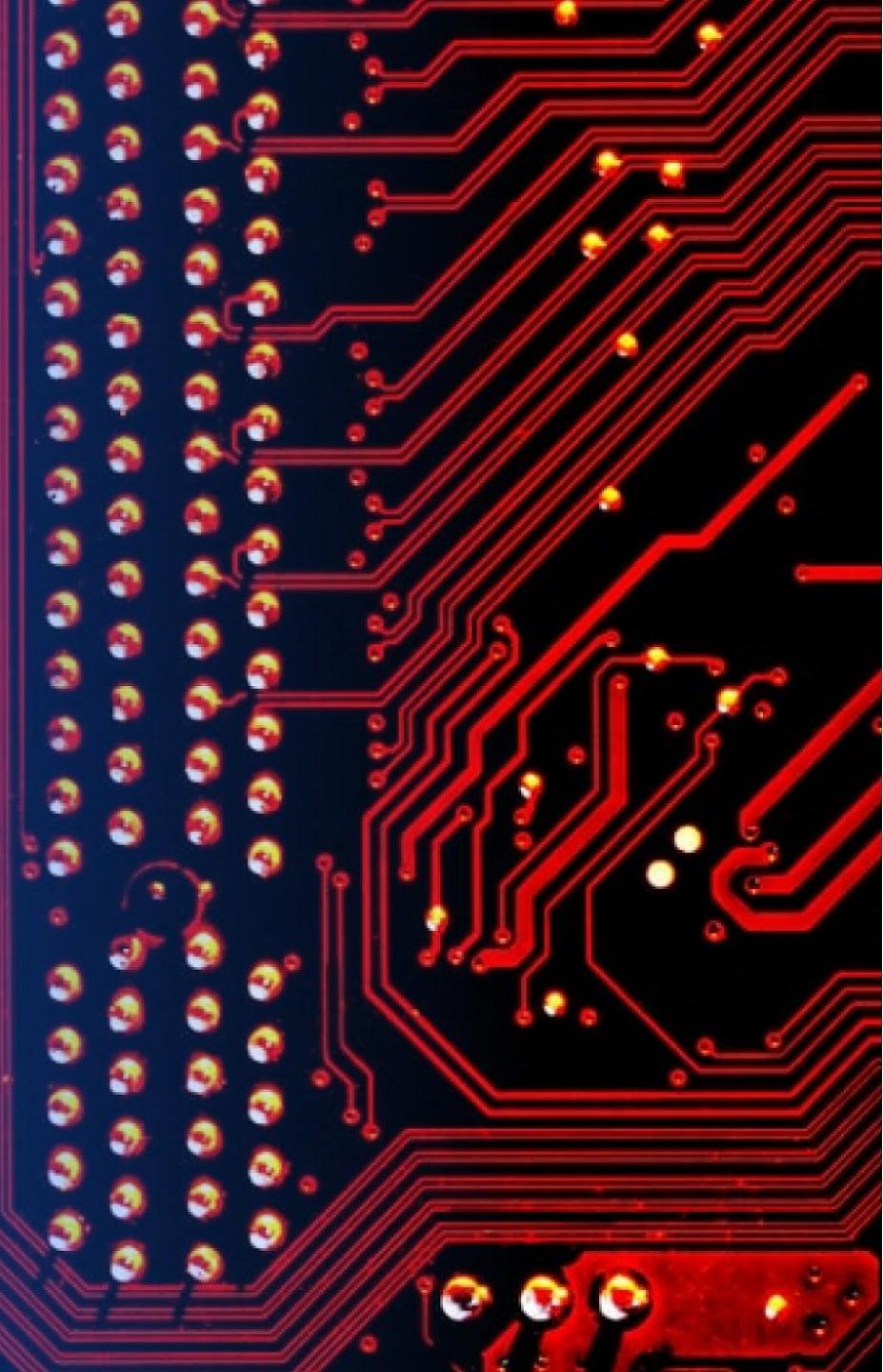
Launch outcomes for each site on the map

In California Launch site VAFB SLC-4E has 40% success rate compared to florida launch sites, this is the 2nd most successful site in terms of launches



Section 4

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash



Pie chart showing success% of all sites

SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

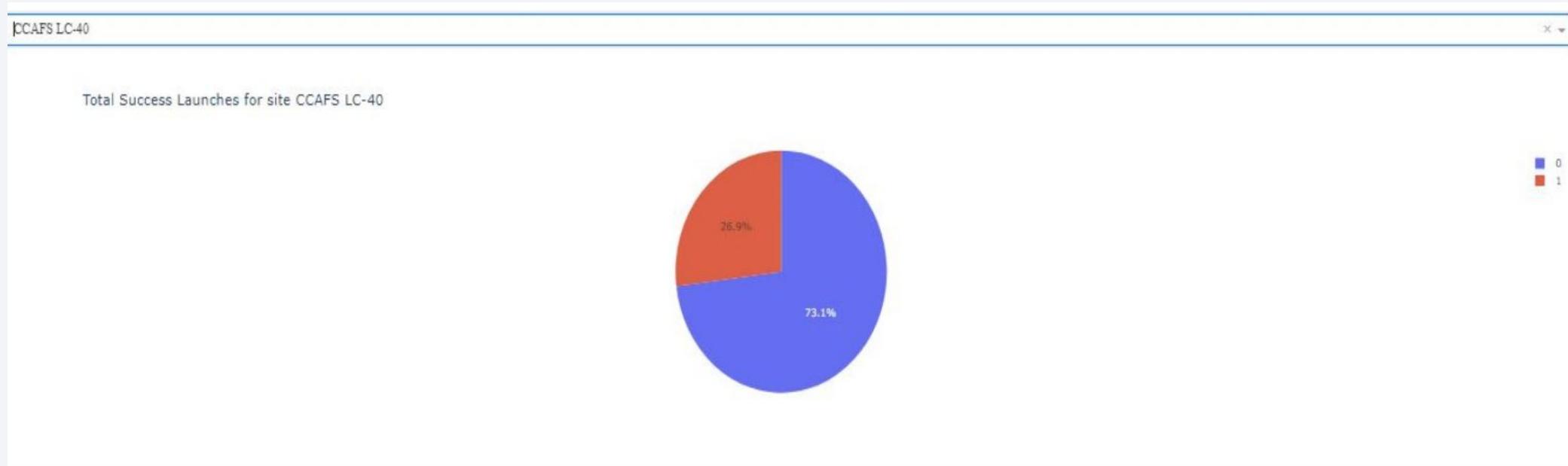
Success Count for all launch sites



age (Kg):

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%

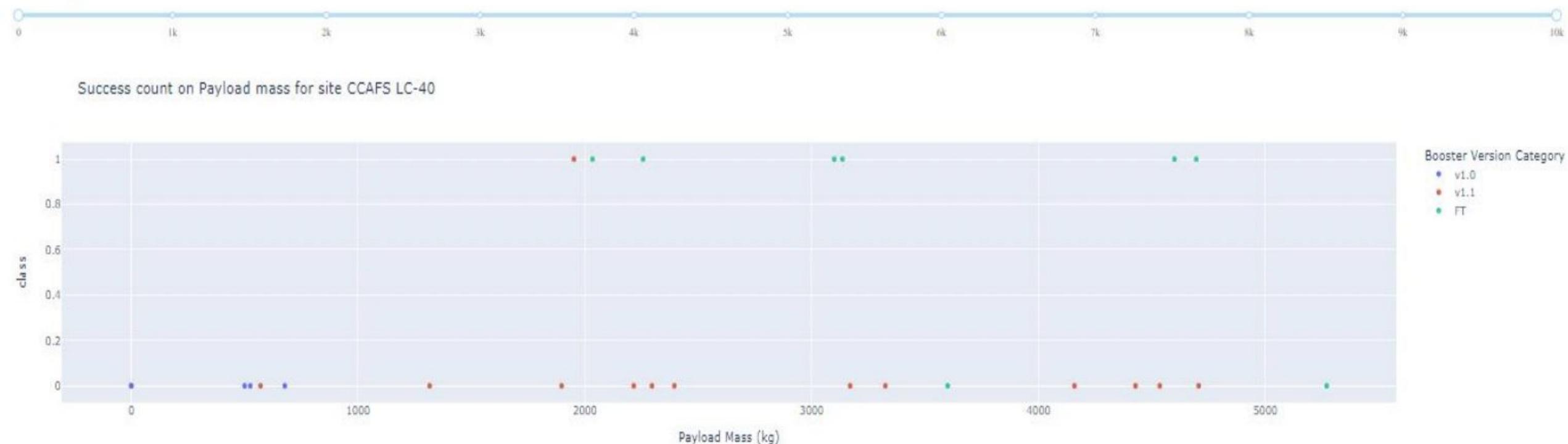
Pie chart showing the launch site with 2nd highest launch success ratio



Launch site CCAFS LC-40 had the 2nd highest success ratio of 73% success

Payload vs. Launch Outcome scatter plot for all sites

Payload range (Kg):



For this Launch site (CCAFS LC-40) the largest success rate tends to show when the payload mass is >2000kg

Section 5

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

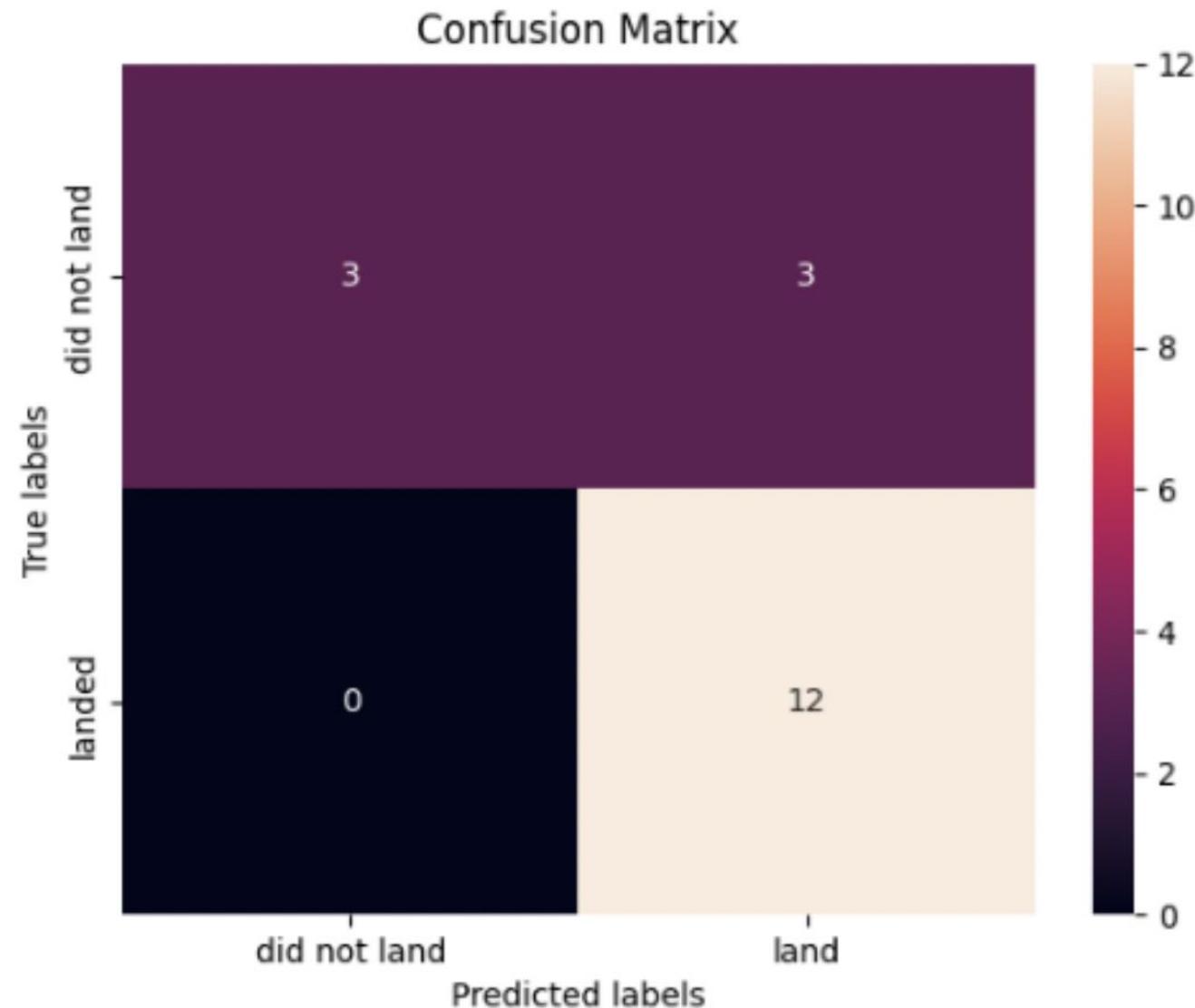
Classification Accuracy

- According to the results all the classifications have the same accuracy for the test data.

Method	Test Data Accuracy
Logistic_Reg	0.833333
SVM	0.833333
Decision Tree	0.833333
KNN	0.833333

Confusion Matrix

All the 4 classification models had the same confusion matrixes and were able equally distinguish between the different classes.



Conclusions

- The success rates of all Florida launch sites except for CCAFS LC-40 are more than 50% probability of landing successfully.
- We can also conclude from the Flight Number vs Launch site plot that as the number of flights increase also does the probability of a successful launch. Launches are also a lot more successful when the payload mass is >2000kg. As 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
- ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO all have a 100% success rate. SO orbit has a 0% success rate. All other orbits are between 50% to about 85%
- According to the yearly trend line plot, the success rate of landings was consistent for about three years then continued to increase from 2013 until 2020.
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Thank you!

