

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

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Introduction

• • Project background and context

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

In this capstone, we will predict if the Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully using data from Falcon 9 rocket launches advertised on its website





Methodology

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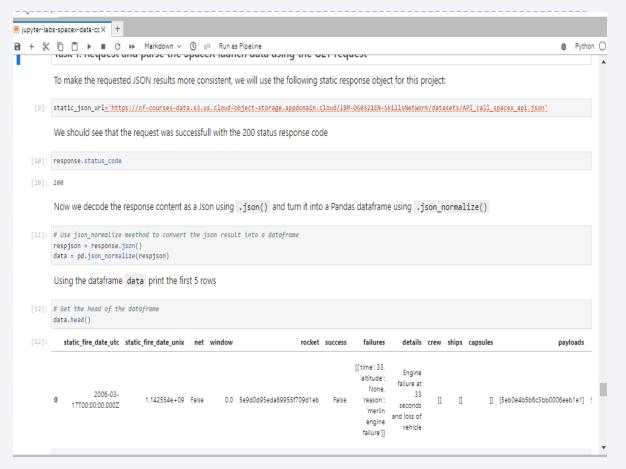
- Data collection methodology:
 - Describe how data was collected
- Perform data wrangling
 - Describe how data was processed
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - How to build, tune, evaluate classification models

Data Collection

- Description of how SpaceX Falcon9 data was collected.
- Data was first collected using SpaceX API (a RESTful API) by making a get request to the SpaceX API. This was done by first
 defining a series of helper functions that would help use the API to extract information using identification numbers in the
 launch data and then requesting rocket launch data from the SpaceX API URL.
- Finally to make the requested JSON results more consistent, the SpaceX launch data was requested and parsed using the GET request and then decoded the response content as a JSON result which was then converted into a Pandas data frame.
- Also performed web scraping to collect Falcon 9 historical launch records from a Wikipedia page titled List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches of the launch records are stored in HTML. Using BeautifulSoup and request Libraries, I extracted the Falcon 9 launch HTML table records from the Wikipedia page, Parsed the table, and converted it into a Pandas data frame

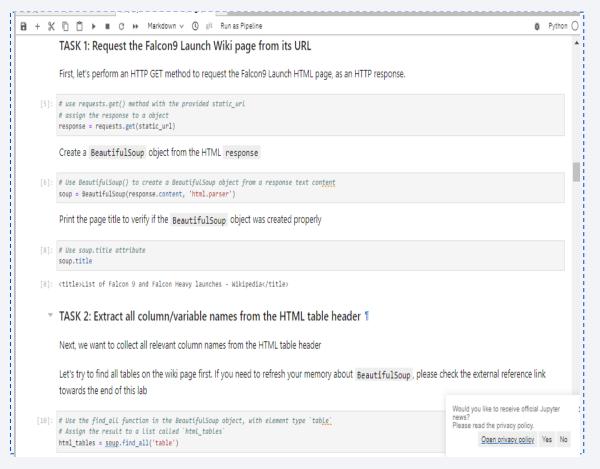
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Data Collection - Scraping

- Performed web scraping to collect Falcon 9 historical launch records from a Wikipedia using BeautifulSoup and request, to extract the Falcon 9 launch records from HTML table of the Wikipedia page, then created a data frame by parsing the launch HTML.
- https://github.com/cjuwajeh/SpaceX
 ---Falcon-9/blob/main/jupyter-labswebscraping%20(1).ipynb



Data Wrangling

- After obtaining and creating a Pandas DF from the collected data, data was filtered using the BoosterVersion column to only keep the Falcon 9 launches, then dealt with the missing data values in the LandingPad and PayloadMass columns. For the PayloadMass, missing data values were replaced using the mean value of the column.
- Also performed some Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) to find some patterns in the data and determine what would be the label for training supervised models

https://github.com/cjuwajeh/SpaceX---Falcon-9/blob/main/labs-jupyter-spacex-Data%20wrangling%20(1).ipynb

EDA with Data Visualization

- Performed data Analysis and Feature Engineering using Pandas and Matplotlib. i.e.
- Exploratory Data Analysis
- Preparing Data Feature Engineering
- Used scatter plots to Visualize the relationship between Flight Number and Launch Site, Payload and Launch Site, FlightNumber and Orbit type, Payload and Orbit type.
- Used a Bar chart to Visualize the relationship between the success rate of each orbit type
- Line plot to Visualize the launch success yearly trend.

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EDA with SQL

• Display the name of the unique launch site

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* sqlite://my_datal.db
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[15]: %sql SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_) as "Payload Mass Kgs", Customer, Booster_Version FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Booster_Version LIKE 'F9 v1.1%';

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• Github Link: https://github.com/cjuwajeh/SpaceX---Falcon-9/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-sql-coursera sqllite%20(1).ipynb

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Created folium map to marked all the launch sites, and created map objects such as markers, circles, lines to mark the success or failure of launches for each launch site.
- Created a launch set outcomes (failure=0 or success=1)

https://github.com/cjuwajeh/SpaceX---Falcon-9/blob/main/Interactive%20Visual%20Analytics%20with%20Folium%2 0lab.ipynb

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- 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
- Adding a callback function to render the success-payload-scatter-chart scatter plot

https://github.com/cjuwajeh/SpaceX---Falcon-
9/blob/main/Build%20an%20Interactive%20Dashboard%20with%20Ploty%20Dash

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

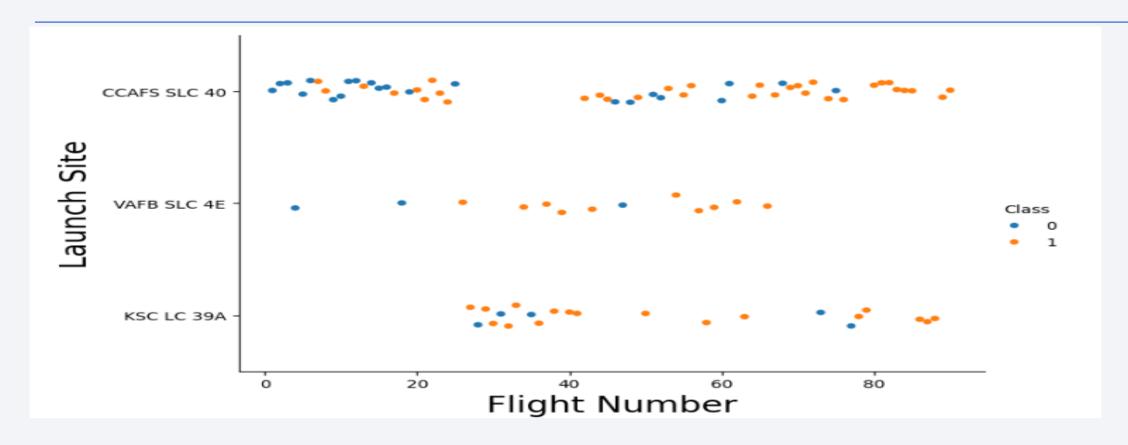
- Summary of how I built, evaluated, improved, and found the best performing classification model
- After loading the data as a Pandas Dataframe, I set out to perform exploratory Data Analysis and determine Training Labels by;
- creating a NumPy array from the column Class in data, by applying the method to_numpy() then assigned it to the variable Y as the outcome variable.
- Then standardized the feature dataset (x) by transforming it using preprocessing. Standard Scaler() function from Sklearn.
- After which the data was split into training and testing sets using the function train_test_split from sklearn.model_selection with the test_size parameter set to 0.2 and random_state to 2.
- In order to find the best ML model/ method that would performs best using the test data between SVM, Classification Trees, k nearest neighbors and Logistic Regression;
- First created an object for each of the algorithms then created a GridSearchCV object and assigned them a set of parameters for each model.
- For each of the models under evaluation, the GridsearchCV object was created with cv=10, then fit the training data into the GridSearch object for each to Find best Hyperparameter.
- After fitting the training set, we output GridSearchCV object for each of the models, then displayed the best parameters using the data attribute best_params_ and the accuracy on the validation data using the data attribute best_score_.
- Finally using the method score to calculate the accuracy on the test data for each model and plotted a confussion matrix for each using the test and predicted outcomes.

Results

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

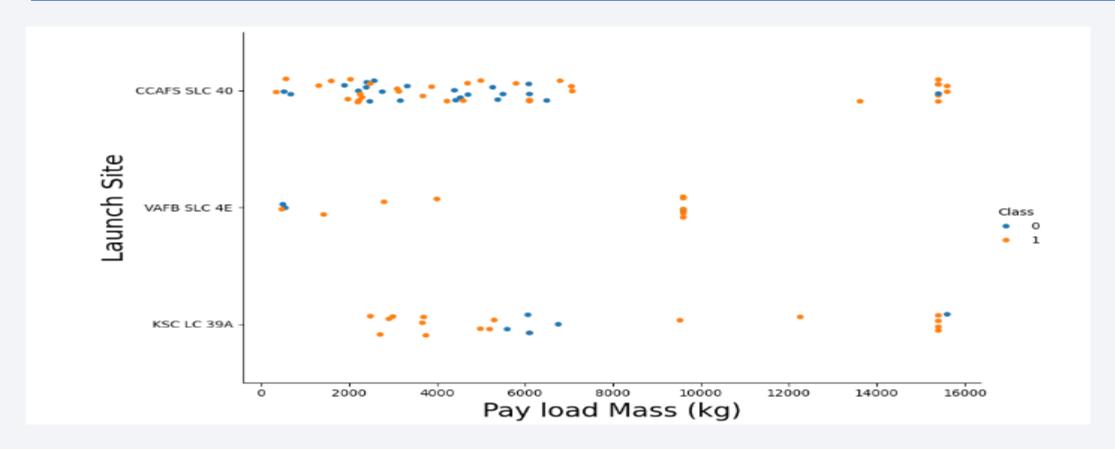


Flight Number vs. Launch Site



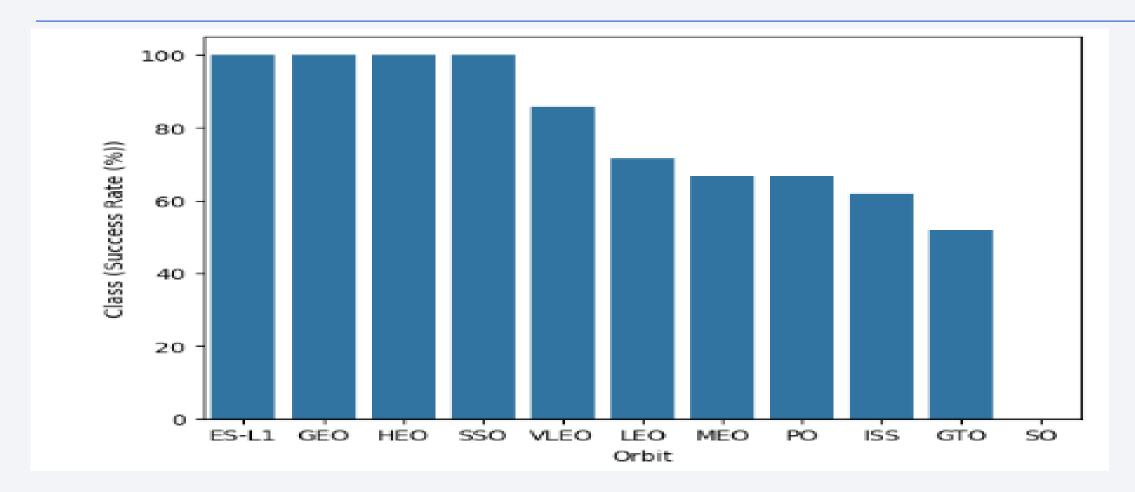
We can deduce that as the flight number increases in each of the 3 launch sites, so does the success rate.

Payload vs. Launch Site



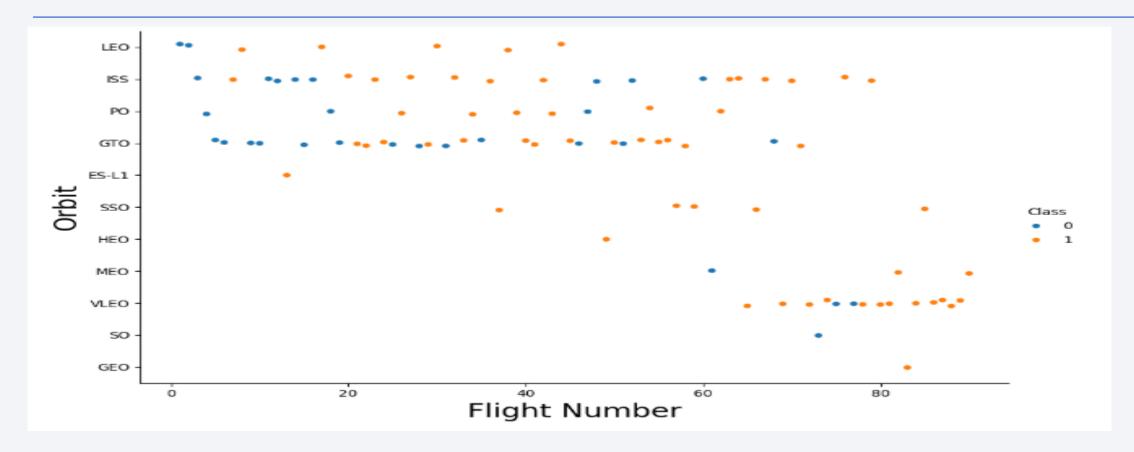
• Now if you observe Payload Vs. Launch Site scatter point chart you will find for the VAFB-SLC launchsite there are no rockets launched for heavypayload mass(greater than 10000).

Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



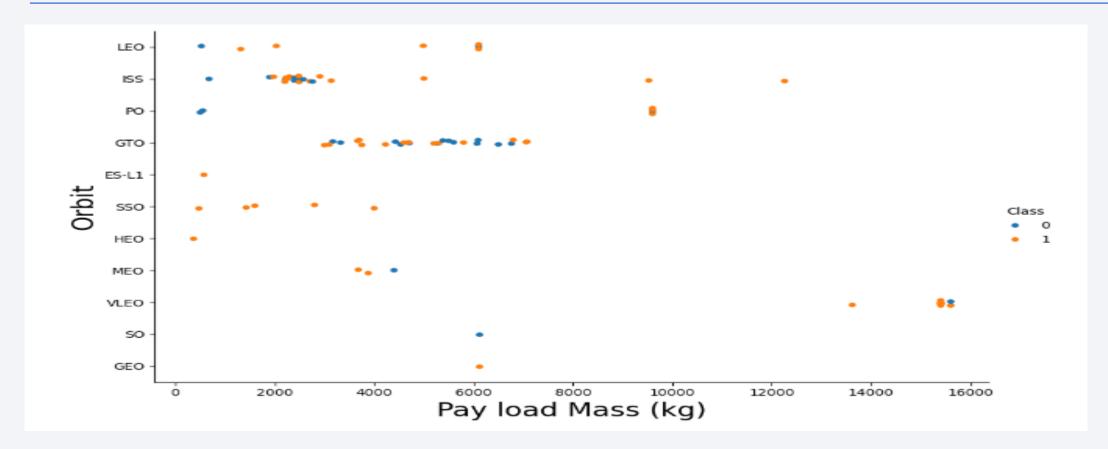
• Orbits, ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO have the highest success rate at 100%, GTO with the lowest success rate at 50% and SO, having a 0% success rate.

Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



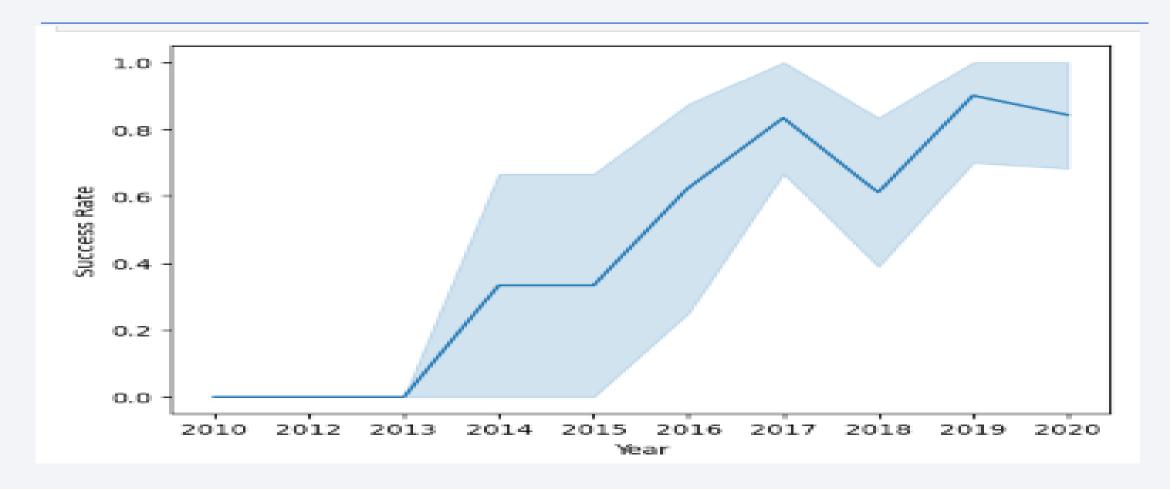
We see that in the LEO orbit the Success appears related to the number of flights; on the other hand, there seems to be no relationship between flight number when in GTO orbit.

Payload vs. Orbit Type



• With heavy payloads the successful landing or positive landing rate are higher for Polar, LEO, and ISS. However, for GTO we cannot distinguish this well as both positive landing rate and negative landing(unsuccessful mission) are there here.

Launch Success Yearly Trend



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

All Launch Site Names

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     Done.
[8]: Launch_Sites
       CCAFS LC-40
       VAFB SLC-4E
       KSC LC-39A
      CCAFS SLC-40
```

•I made used of the 'SELECT DISTINCT' statement to return only the unique launch sites from the 'LAUNCH_SITE' column of the SPACEXTBL table

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

: %s	<pre>%sql SELECT * FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Launch_Site LIKE 'CCA%' LIMIT 5; * sqlite://my_data1.db Done.</pre>										
1	Date	Time (UTC)	Booster_Version	Launch_Site	Payload	PAYLOAD_MASSKG_	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	7:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2	525	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attempt	
	2012- 10-08	0:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-1	500	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt	
	2013-	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC-	SpaceX CRS-2	677	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt	

• I made used of 'LIKE' command with '%' wildcard in 'WHERE' clause to select and display a table of all records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'

Total Payload Mass

• Used the 'SUM()' function to return and dispaly the total sum of the 'PAYLOAD_MASS_KG' column for Customer 'NASA(CRS)'

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

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

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

* sqlite://my_datal.db
Done.

[15]: Payload Mass Kgs Customer Booster_Version

2534.6666666666665 MDA F9 v1.1 B1003
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 Used the 'AVG()' function to return and dispaly the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

First Successful Ground Landing Date

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List the date when the first successful 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
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• Used the 'MIN()' function to return and dispaly the first (oldest) date when first successful landing outcome on ground pad 'Success (ground pad)' happened.

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

• Used 'Select Distinct' statement to return and list the 'unique' names of boosters with operators >4000 and <6000 to only list boosters between 4000-6000 with landing outcome of success(drone ship)

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes



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

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

* sqlite:/// Done.	/my_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

• Using a Subquery to return and pass the Max payload and used it list all the boosters that have carried the Max payload of 15600kgs

2015 Launch Records

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.

SELECT substr(Date, 7, 4), substr(Date, 4, 2), "Booster_Version", "Launch_Site", Payload, "PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_", "Mission_Outcome", "Landing _Outcome"

sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.

substr(Date, 7, 4) ** Booster_Version** Launch_Site** Payload** PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_** Mission_Outcome** Landing_Outcome**

Success** Launch_Site** Payload** Payload_PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_** Mission_Outcome** Landing_Outcome**

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• Used the 'substr()' in the select statement to get the month and year from the date column where substr(Date,7,4)='2015' for year and Landing_outcome was 'Failure (drone ship') and return the records nmatching the filter

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

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 84 81045.1	CCAFS SLC- 40	Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite (TESS)	362	HEO	NASA (LSP)	Success	Success (drone ship)



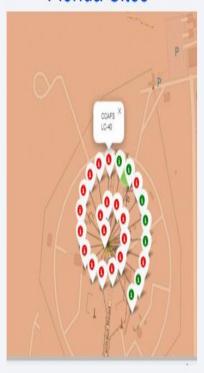
Markers of all Launch site



All launch sites are in proximity to the Equator, (located southwards of the US** map). Also all the launch sites are in very close proximity to the coast.

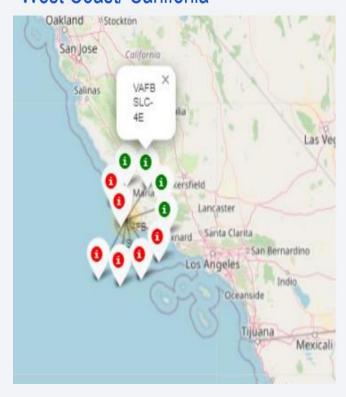
Launch Outcomes for each site of the map

Florida Sites





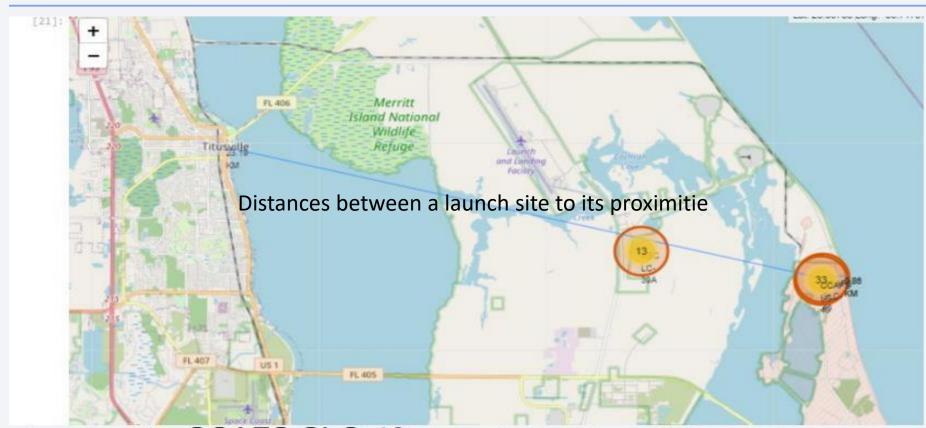
West Coast/ Carlifonia



 In the West Coast (Californai) Launch site VAFB SLC-4E has relatively lower success rates 4/10 compared to KSC LC-39A launch site in the Eastern Coast of Florida.

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

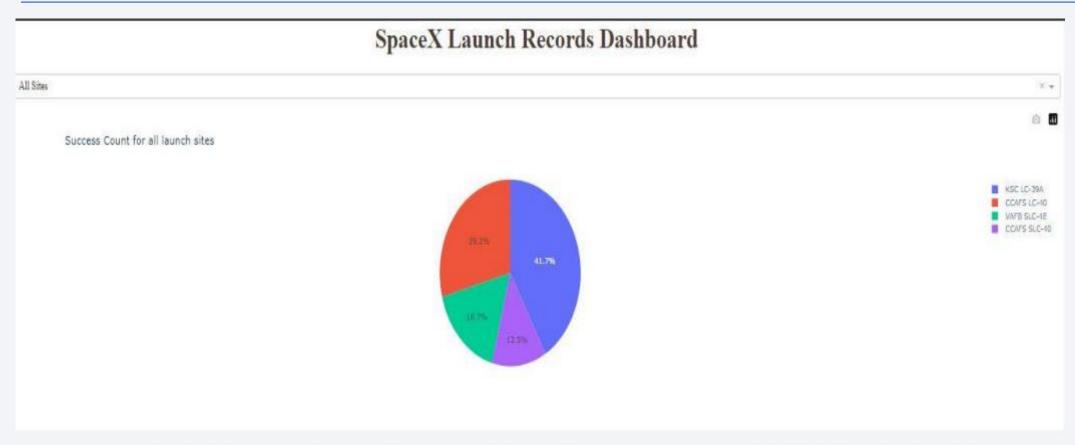
Distances between a launch site to its proximities



 Launch site CCAFS SLC-40 closest to highway (Washington Avenue) is 23.19km

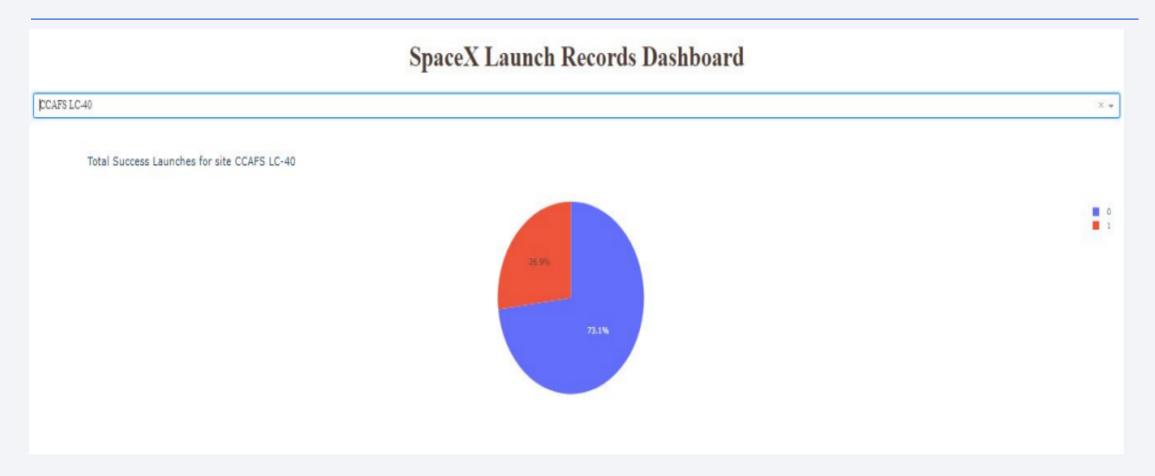


Pie-Chart for launch success count for all sites



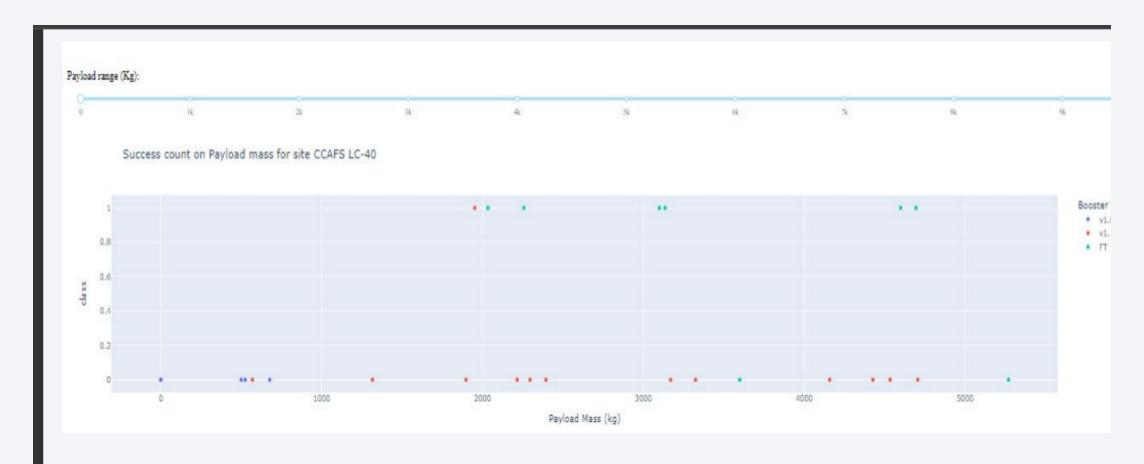
 Launch site KSC LC-39A has the highest launch success rate at 42% followed by CCAFS LC-40 at 29%, VAFB SLC-4E at 17% and lastly launch site CCAFS SLC-40 with a success rate of 13%

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



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

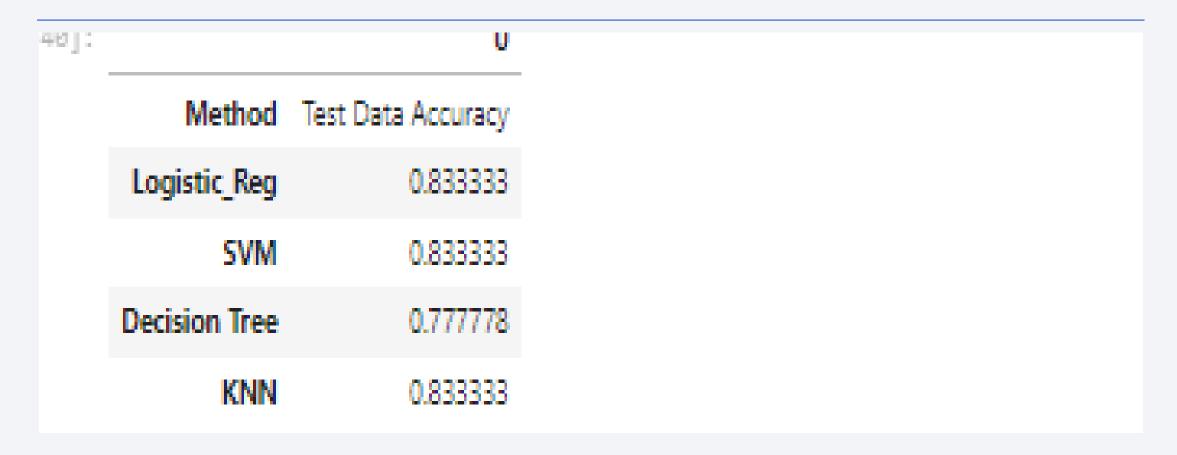
Payload vs. Launch Outcome scatter plot for all sites



 For Launch site CCAFS LC-40 the booster version FT has the largest success rate from a payload mass of >2000kg



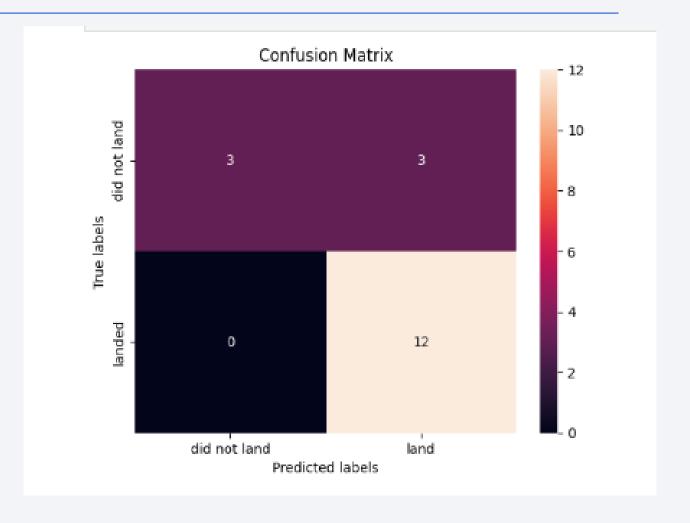
Classification Accuracy



• 3 of the methods perform equally on the test data having an accuracy of 0.833 and only he decision tree method gives 0.77

Confusion Matrix

 All 4 classification models had the same confusion matrixes and were able to equally distinguish between the different classes. The major problem is false positives for all the models



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 have a success rate of 77%.
- We can deduce that, as the flight number increases in each of the 3 launch sites, so does the success rate. For instance, the success rate for the VAFB SLC 4E launch site is 100% after Flight number 50. Both KSC LC 39A and CCAFS SLC 40 have 100% success rates after the 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).
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- And finally the success rate since 2013 kept increasing till 2020.

