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Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

- Summary of methodologies
 - Collection of data was done through an API and web scraping
 - Exploratory Data Analysis was performed through data wrangling, data visualization and interactive analytics
- Summary of all results
 - We identified several characteristics that appear to predict landing success: landing site and payload mass
 - Through Machine Learning we identified the decision tree model to be the best predictor for landing success

Introduction

- The objective of this project is to evaluate if new company SpaceY can compete with existing company SpaceX
- This presentation will answer the following questions:
 - Determine the price of the each launch by estimating if the first stage will be reused
 - What is the best place to make landings

Section 1

Methodology

Methodology

Executive Summary

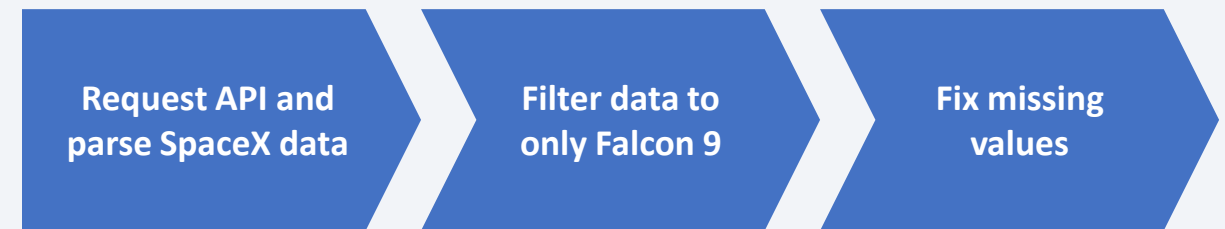
- Data collection methodology:
 - Data from SpaceX is collected from two sources: SpaceX API and Webscraping
- Data wrangling
 - First, data is summarized and analyzed. Then, data is enriched with a binary landing outcome label
- Exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Predictive analysis using classification models
 - Data is normalized, divided into training and test data and evaluated based on four classification models. These classification models are then ranked based on accuracy

Data Collection

- Data collection methodology:
 - Data from SpaceX is collected from two sources:
 - SpaceX API - <https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/rockets/>
 - Webscraping - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Falcon/_9/_and_Falcon_Heavy_launches

Data Collection – SpaceX API

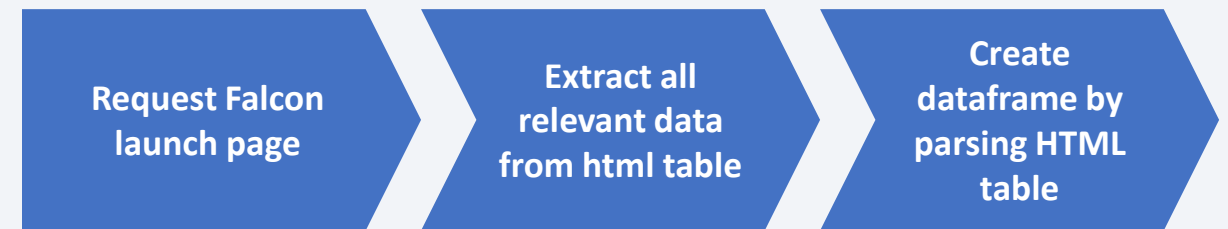
- SpaceX has a public API that can be used to get data on their launches
- Data was collected according to the flowchart



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Data Collection - Scraping

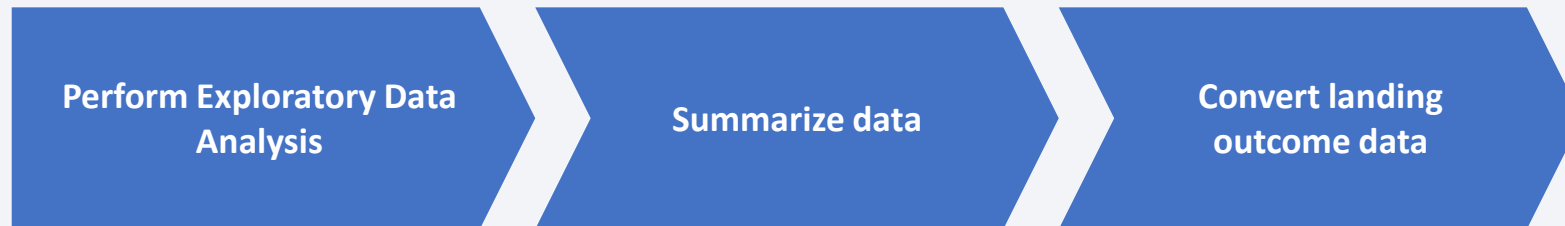
- A second way to collect the data is by scraping the Wikipedia page for Falcon launches
- Data is collected according to the flowchart



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Data Wrangling

- First, Exploratory Data analysis was performed to find patterns in the data
- Then, data was summarized and number and occurrence of mission outcomes are generated
- Finally, booster landings were converted into a binary outcome label where 1 means a successful landing and 0 means unsuccessful



EDA with Data Visualization

- Summary of plotted charts to gather first insights on impact of variables on success rate:
 - Scatterplot of Flight Number vs. Payload Mass
 - Scatterplot of Flight Number vs. Launch Site
 - Scatterplot of Payload and Launch Site
 - Bar chart of Success Rate and Orbit
 - Scatterplot of Flight Number and Orbit
 - Scatterplot of Payload Mass and Orbit
 - Line chart of Success Rate over years

EDA with SQL

- Using bullet point format, summarize the SQL queries you performed
 - Select distinct launch sites in the space mission
 - Display 5 records where launch site begins with CCA
 - Display total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA
 - Display average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
 - Determine date when first successful ground pad landing was achieved
 - Show booster names with mass between 4000 and 6000 kg that successfully landed on drone ship
 - Calculate total number of successful and failed mission outcomes
 - Determine booster versions that have carried the maximum payload mass
 - Rank count of successful landings between 05-06-2010 and 20-03-2017

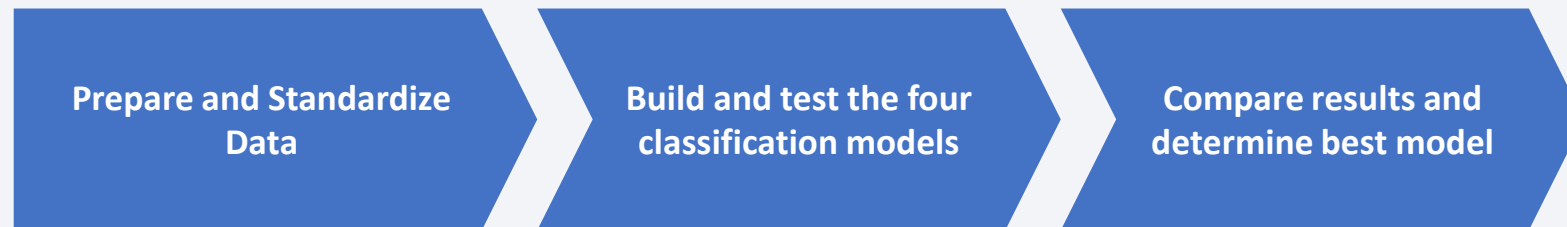
Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- A Folium map was created with markers, circles, lines and marker clusters.
 - Markers are points of interest on the map
 - Circles highlight areas around a certain point of interest (coordinates)
 - Lines are used to indicate the distance between points
 - Marker clusters are used to present a group of events around a certain coordinate

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Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- Four classification models were built and compared:
 - Logistic regression
 - Support vector machine
 - Decision tree
 - K-nearest neighbors



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Results

- Exploratory data analysis results
 - Higher payloads lead to higher likelihood of successful landing
 - Most flights were launched from CCAFS SLC-40
 - Orbit type is not a good predictor of landing success
 - Landing success increased over time from start in 2010 until today
- Predictive analysis results
 - Decision tree is the best model to predict successful landing with an accuracy of 89%

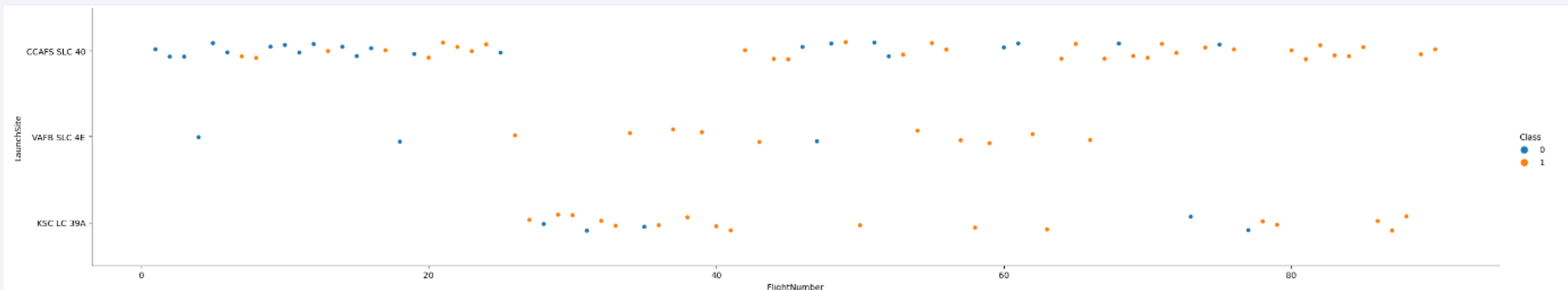
The background of the slide is an abstract composition. It features a dark blue field on the left side, which transitions into a complex pattern of diagonal streaks in shades of blue, red, and teal on the right. These streaks have a textured, almost woven appearance. Overlaid on this pattern is a faint, light blue grid that recedes into the distance, creating a sense of depth and perspective.

Section 2

Insights drawn from EDA

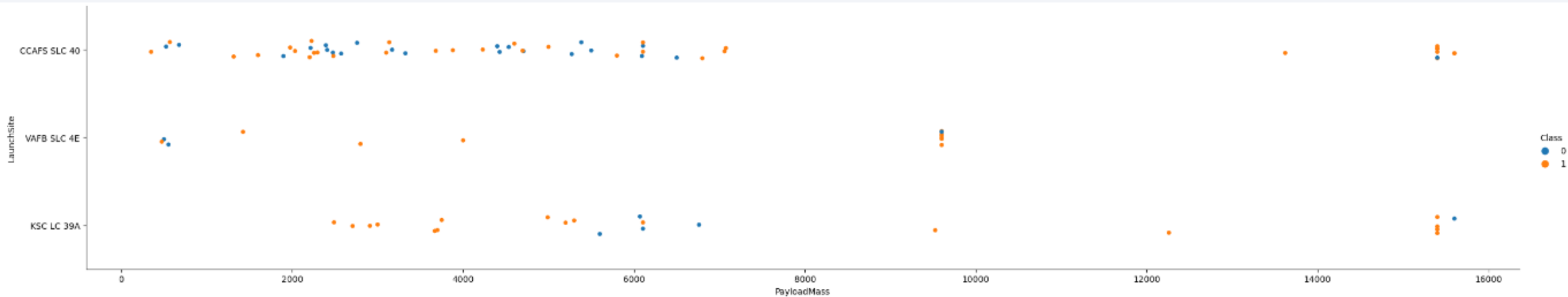
Flight Number vs. Launch Site

- Landing success increases with flight number
- Disregarding the first 25 flight numbers, there seems to be no relationship between launch site and landing success



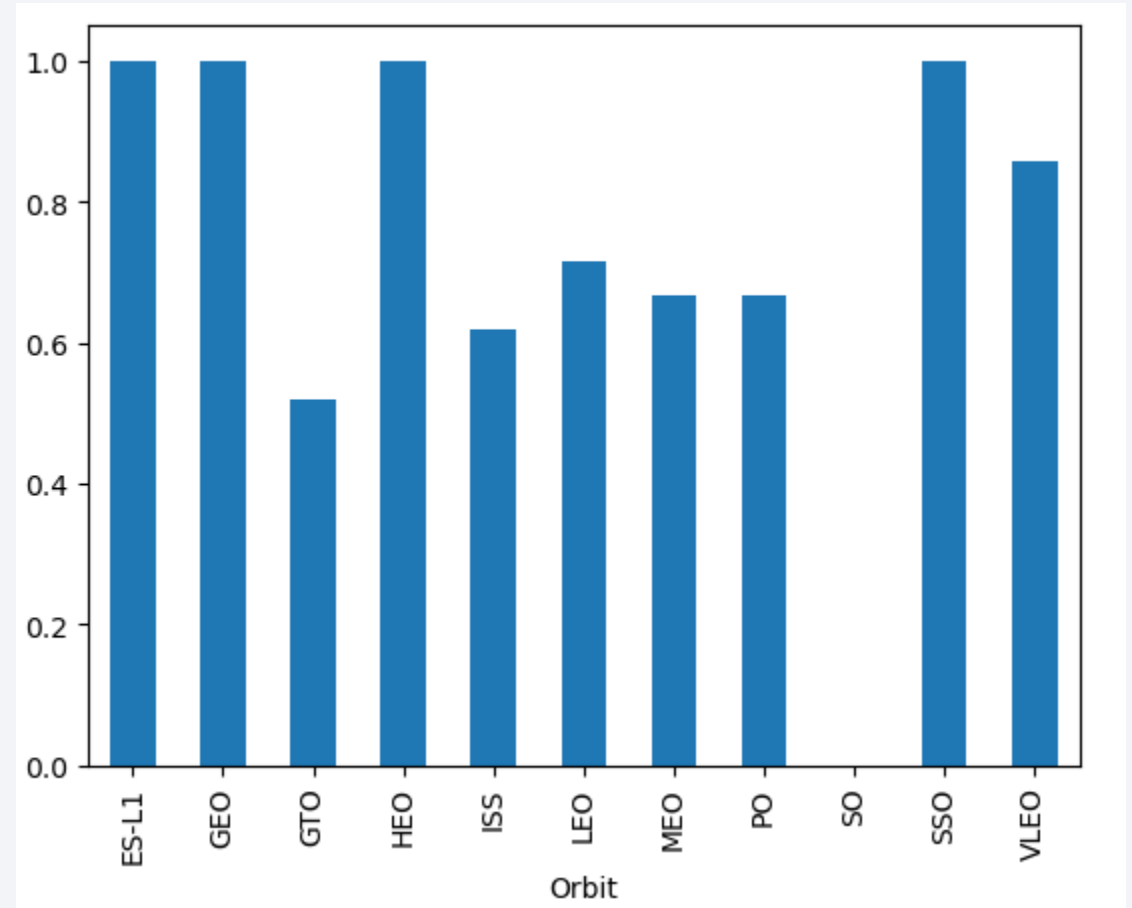
Payload vs. Launch Site

- Heavier rockets have higher success rates
- No rockets heavier than 10.000kg were launched from VAFB SLC 4E



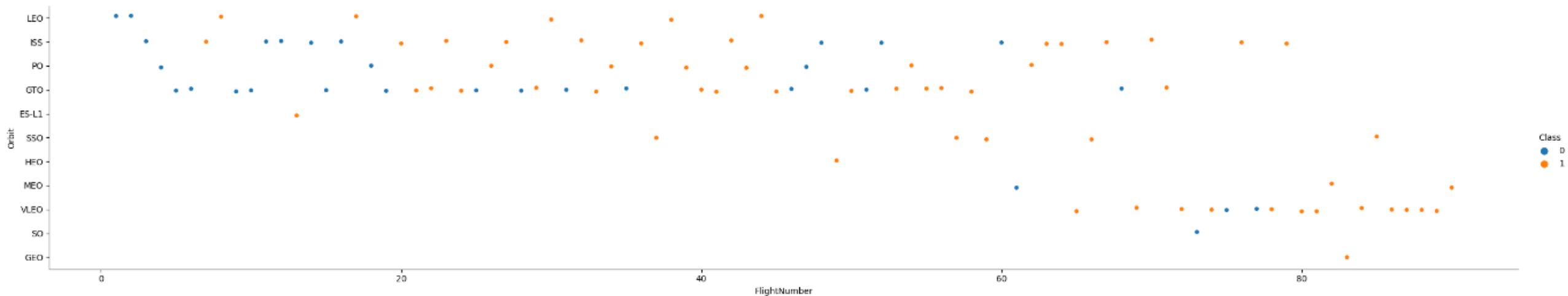
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

- There are four Orbit types with a 100% success rate:
 - ES-L1
 - GEO
 - HEO
 - SSO
- Orbit type SO has a 0% success rate



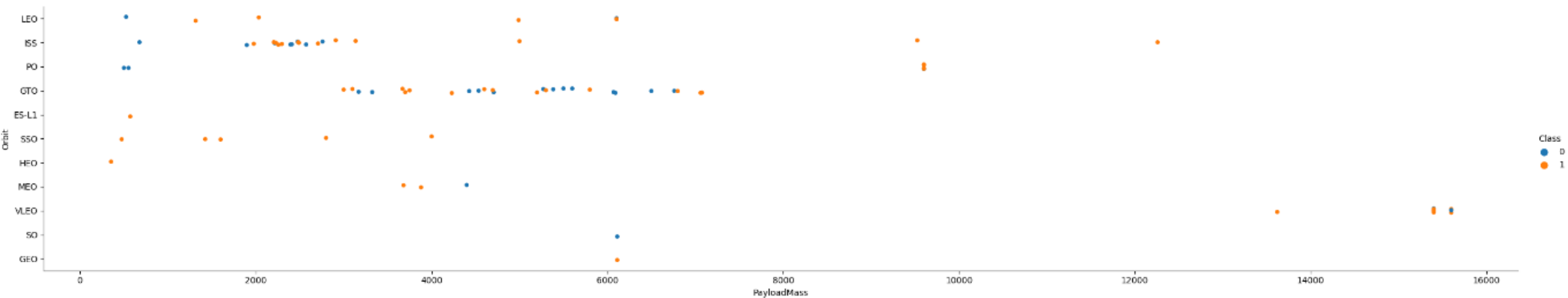
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

- As flight number increases, orbit types LEO, PO and GTO become less common and SSO and VLEO increase



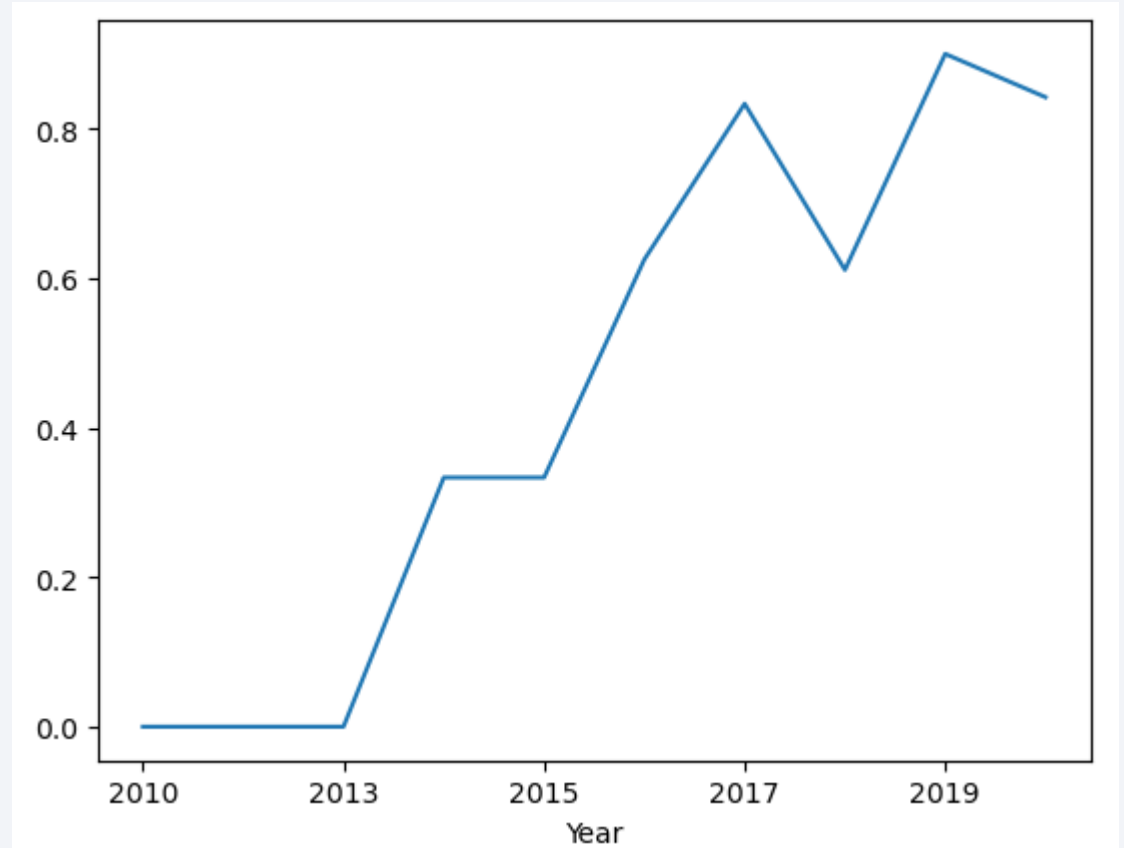
Payload vs. Orbit Type

- Orbit types ISS and GTO have lower payload mass
- High payloadmass has a higher success rate regardless of orbit type
- Orbit type VLEO has exclusively high payload rates



Launch Success Yearly Trend

- Average success rate of the missions increased since the beginning in 2010 and today



All Launch Site Names

- Unique launch sites, found by selecting the distinct launch sites

Launch Site

CCAFS LC-40

CCAFS SLC-40

KSC LC-39A

VAFB SLC-4E

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

- 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`:

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

- By summing the total payload mass of all boosters launched by NASA we find the total mass accounts to 111.268kg

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

- By selecting the average payload mass of all missions with the booster version F9 v1.1 we find the result to be 2.928kg

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

- Only 1 out of 101 missions failed, the rest was successful
- Query results in table below

Mission_Outcome	QTY
Failure (in flight)	1
Success	98
Success	1
Success (payload status unclear)	1

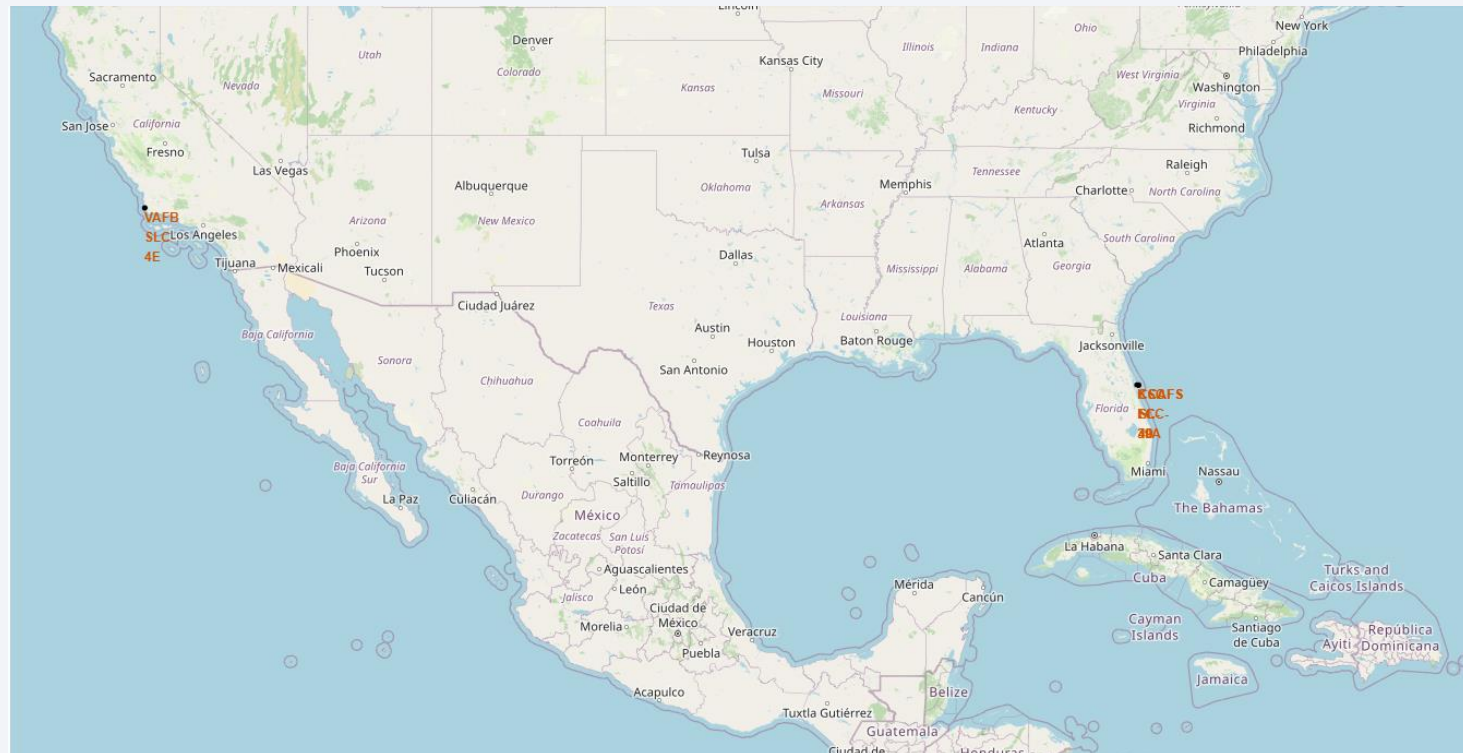
A satellite view of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and city lights at night. The background is a deep blue gradient.

Section 3

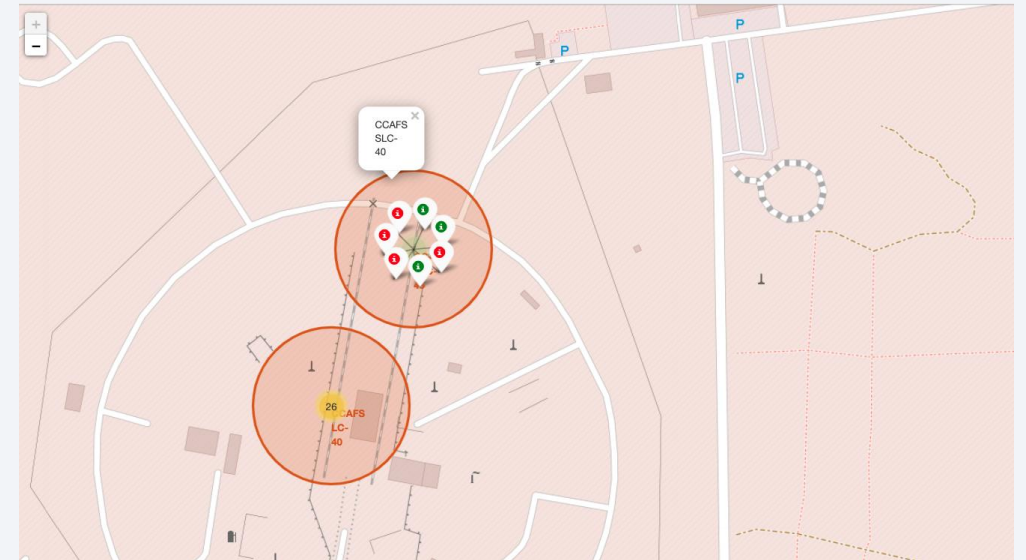
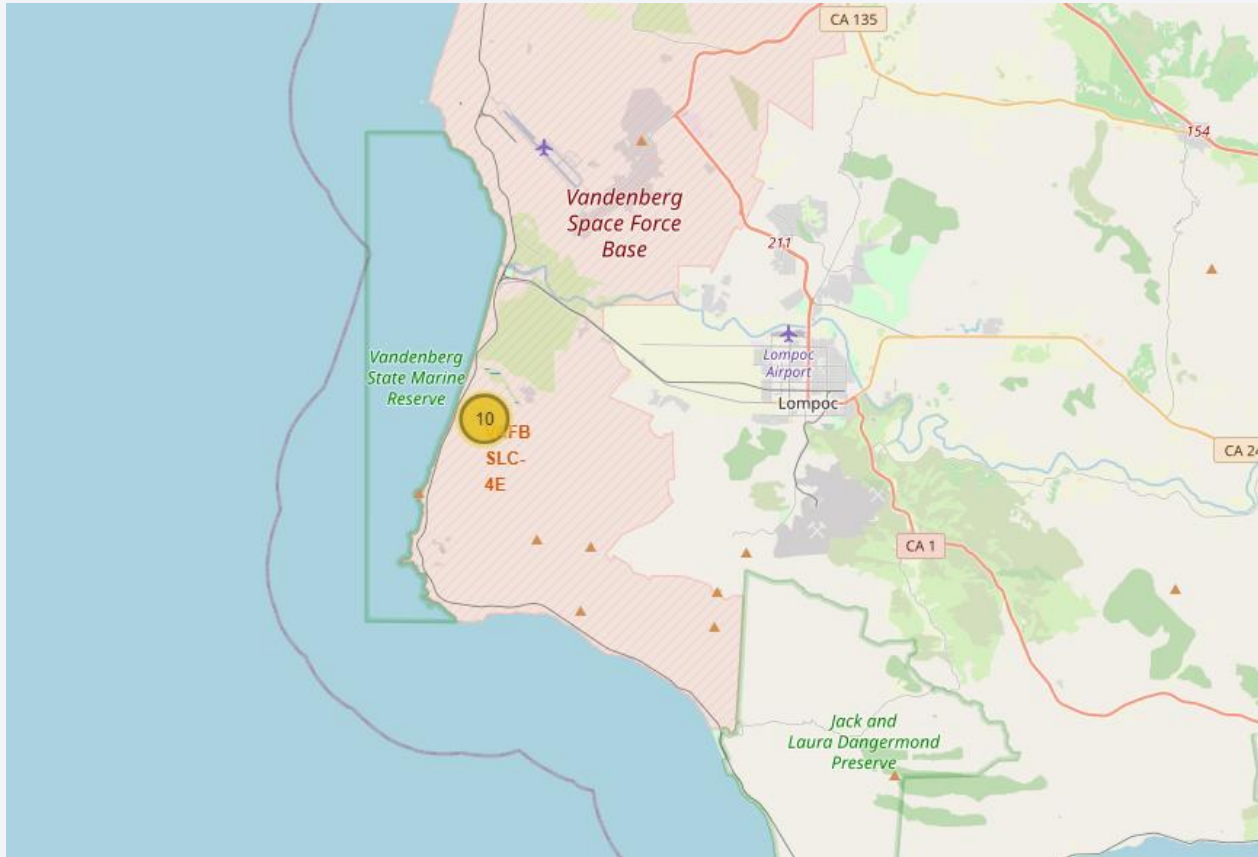
Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

SpaceX Launch Sites Map

- Launch sites are in California and Florida and located near the sea



Launch Sites and Success Rates



Distance to Sea



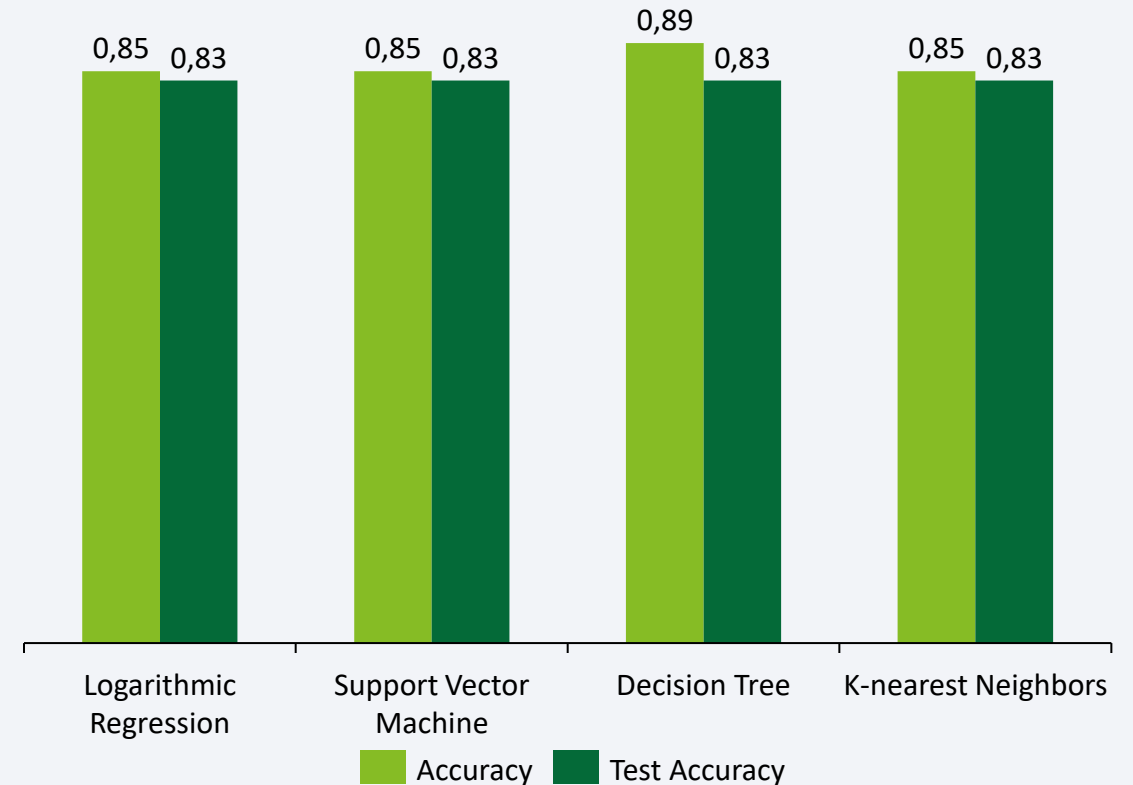


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Predictive Analysis (Classification)

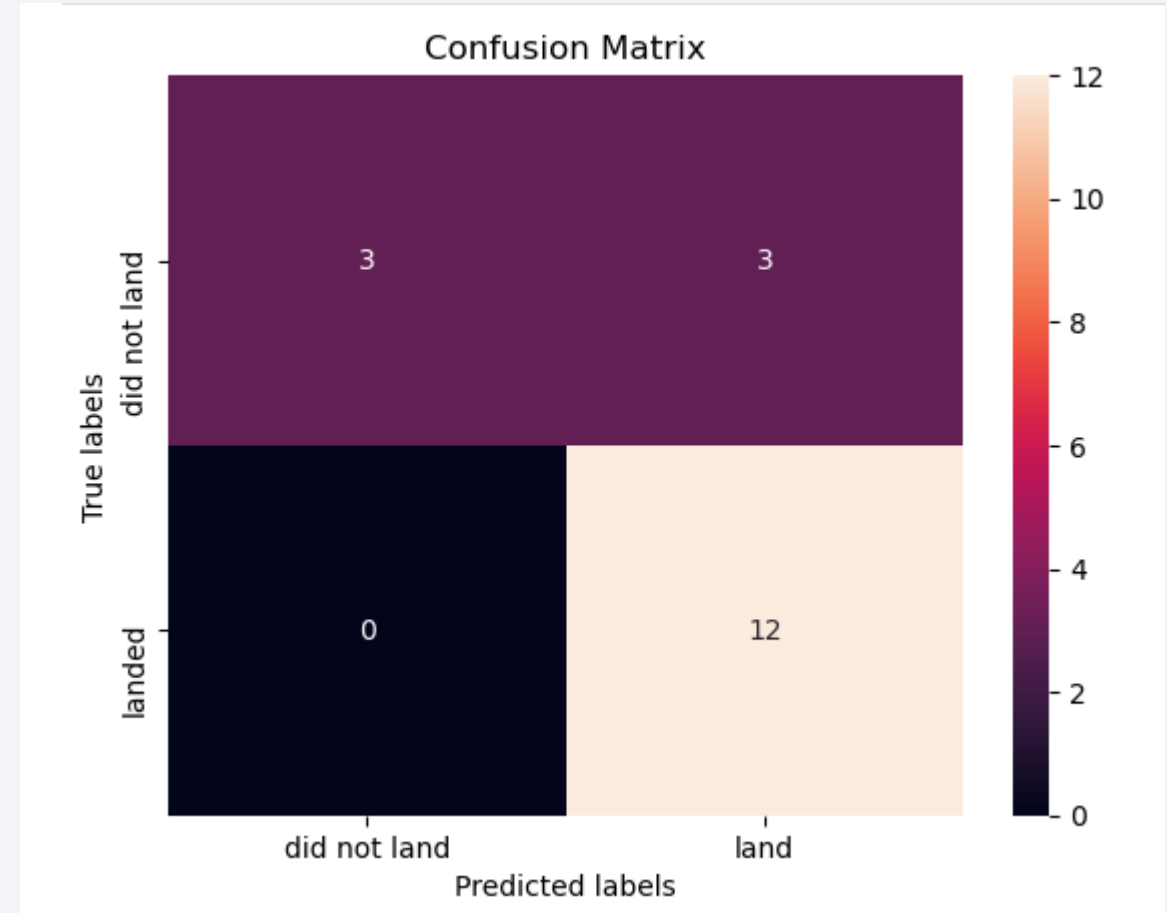
Classification Accuracy

- Decision Tree has the highest accuracy with 89%
- The other models score similarly



Confusion Matrix

- The confusion matrix shows the amount of true positives is good, the amount of true negatives can be improved



Conclusions

- Through the decision tree Machine Learning Models, we can predict the landing outcome with a 89% accuracy

Thank you!

