

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

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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

- What factors determine if the rocket will land successfully?
- The interaction amongst various features that determine the success rate of a successful landing.
- What operating conditions needs to be in place to ensure a successful landing program.



Methodology

Executive Summary

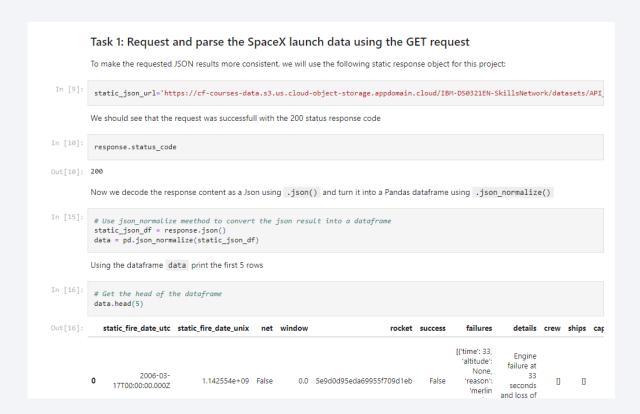
- Data collection methodology:
 - Data was collected using SpaceX API and web scraping from Wikipedia.
- Perform data wrangling
 - One-hot encoding was applied to categorical features
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - How to build, tune, evaluate classification models

Data Collection

- The data was collected using various methods
 - Data collection was done using get request to the SpaceX API.
 - Next, we decoded the response content as a Json using .json() function call and turn it into a pandas dataframe using .json_normalize().
 - We then cleaned the data, checked for missing values and fill in missing values where necessary.
 - In addition, we performed web scraping from Wikipedia for Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup.
 - The objective was to extract the launch records as HTML table, parse the table and convert it to a pandas dataframe for future analysis.

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.
- The link to the notebook is https://github.com/darrendoang/IB M-Data-Science-Capstone-SpaceX/blob/main/jupyter-labsspacex-data-collection-api.ipynb



Data Collection - Scraping

- We applied web scrapping to webscrap Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup
- The link to the notebook is https://github.com/darrendoang/IB M-Data-Science-Capstone-SpaceX/blob/main/jupyter-labswebscraping.ipynb

```
1. Apply HTTP Get method to request the Falcon 9 rocket launch page
       static url = "https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches&oldid=1027686922"
In [5]: # use requests.get() method with the provided static_url
          # assign the response to a object
          html data = requests.get(static url)
          html_data.status_code
   2. 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>
       Extract all column names from the HTML table header
         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')
         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)
    4. Create a dataframe by parsing the launch HTML tables
    5. Export data to csv
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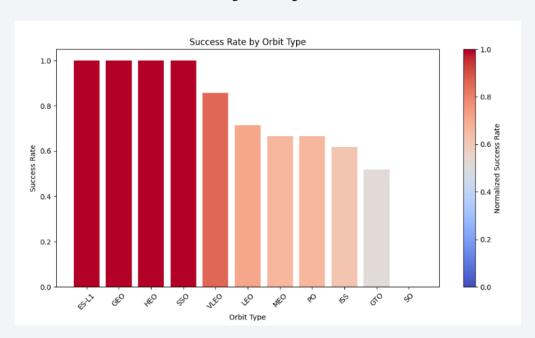
Data Wrangling

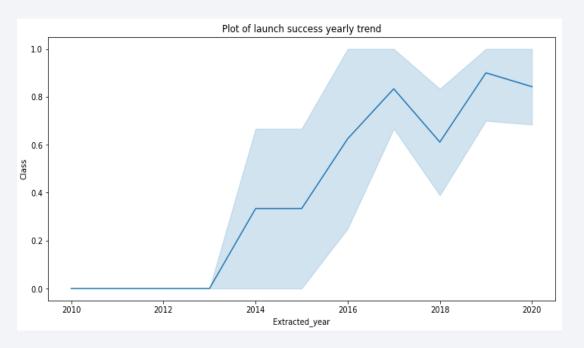
TASK 4: Create a landing outcome label from Outcome column Using the Outcome, create a list where the element is zero if the corresponding row in Outcome is in the set bad outcome; otherwise, it's one. Then assign it to the variable landing class: In [12]: # landing_class = 0 if bad_outcome # landing_class = 1 otherwise #landing_class = [x for x in bad_outcomes if df['Outcome'][x]] landing class = [] for key, value in df['Outcome'].items(): if value in bad outcomes: landing class.append(0) landing_class.append(1) This variable will represent the classification variable that represents the outcome of each launch. If the value is zero, the first stage did not land successfully; one means the first stage landed Successfully In [13]: df['Class']=landing_class df[['Class']].head(8) Out[13]: Class

- We performed exploratory data analysis and determined the training labels and calculated the number of launches at each site, and the number and occurrence of each orbits
- We also created landing outcome label from outcome column and exported the results to csy.
- The link to the notebook is https://github.com/darrendoang/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-SpaceX/blob/main/labs-jupyter-spacexdata_wrangling_jupyterlite.jupyterlite.ipyn
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EDA with Data Visualization

 We explored the data by visualizing the relationship between flight number and launch Site, payload and launch site, success rate of each orbit type, flight number and orbit type, the launch success yearly trend.





 The link to the notebook is https://github.com/darrendoang/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-SpaceX/blob/main/jupyter-labs-edadataviz.ipynb.jupyterlite.ipynb

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 like first successful landing date and Total payload Mass.
- The link to the notebook is https://github.com/darrendoang/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-SpaceX/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-sqlcoursera_sqllite.ipynb

Total_PayloadMass

45596.0

Out[47]: FirstSuccessfull_landing_date

22/12/2015

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- We utilized a folium map to visualize launch sites and their corresponding success or failure outcomes. By assigning a value of O for failure and 1 for success, we marked the launch sites with markers, circles, and lines on the map to indicate their respective outcomes. We employed color-labeled marker clusters to identify launch sites with higher success rates. Additionally, we measured the distances between each launch site and its surrounding areas, exploring factors such as proximity to railways, highways, coastlines, and cities.,
- The link to the notebook is https://github.com/darrendoang/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-SpaceX/blob/main/lab_jupyter_launch_site_location.jupyterlite.ipy

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- We developed an interactive dashboard using Plotly Dash. Within the dashboard, we included pie charts that visualize the total number of launches from specific sites. Additionally, we created scatter graphs to examine the relationship between the launch outcome and the payload mass (in kilograms) for various booster versions.
- The link to the notebook is https://github.com/darrendoang/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-SpaceX/blob/main/spacex_dash_app.py

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- We imported the necessary libraries such as NumPy and Pandas to load and preprocess the data. After loading the data, we performed data transformations and split it into training and testing sets.
- Next, we constructed various machine learning models and utilized
 GridSearchCV to tune different hyperparameters. We used accuracy as the
 evaluation metric for our models. To enhance the performance of the models,
 we applied feature engineering techniques and fine-tuned the algorithms.
- Finally, by evaluating the models based on their accuracy, we identified the best-performing classification model among the ones we built. The link to the notebook is https://github.com/darrendoang/IBM-Data-Science-Capstone-SpaceX/blob/main/SpaceX_Machine_Learning_Prediction_Part_5.jupyterlite.ip ynb

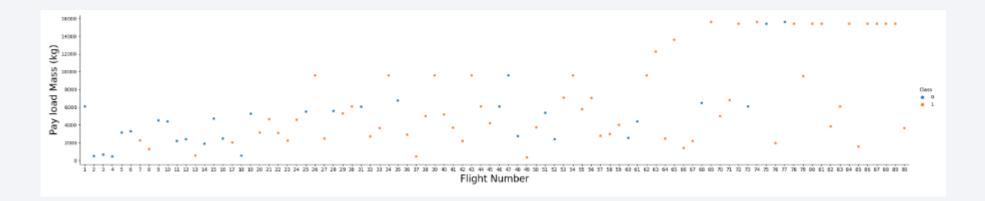
Results

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



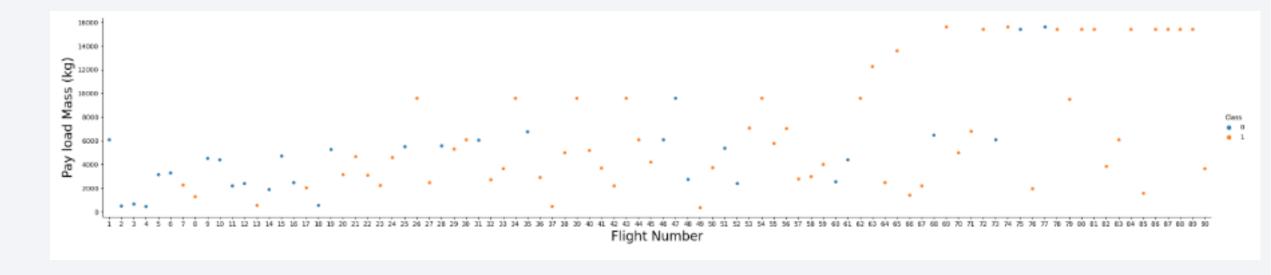
Flight Number vs. Launch Site

• From the plot, we found that the larger the flight amount at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site.



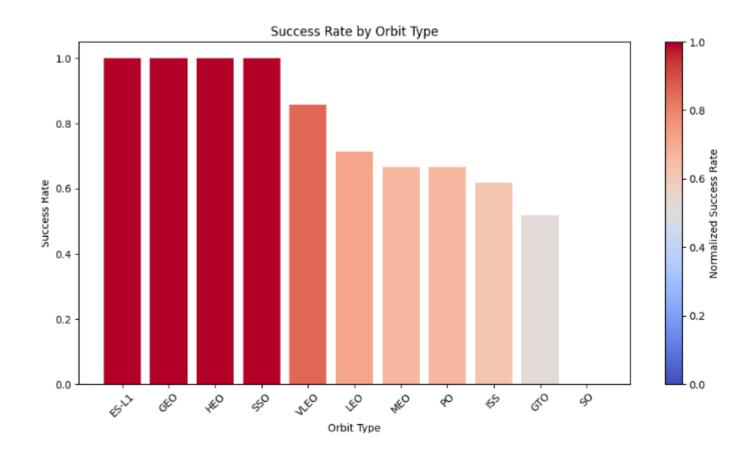
Flight Number vs. Payload Mass

• We see that as the flight number increases, the first stage is more likely to land successfully. The payload mass is also important; it seems the more massive the payload, the less likely the first stage will return.



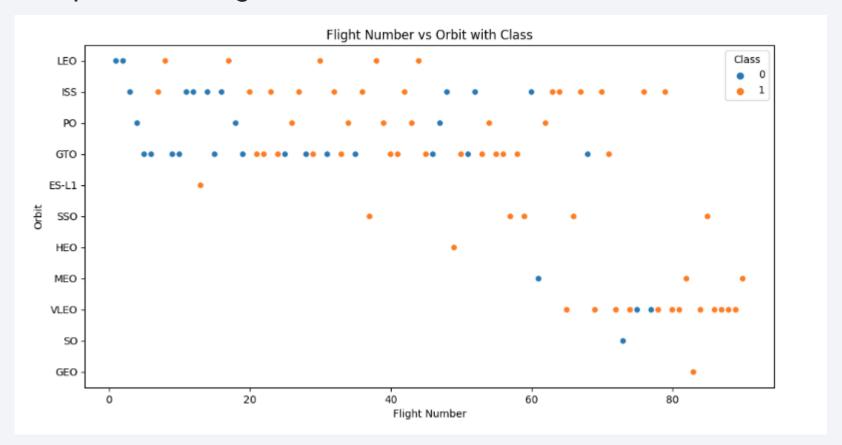
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

 From the plot, we can see that ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO, VLEO had the most success rate.



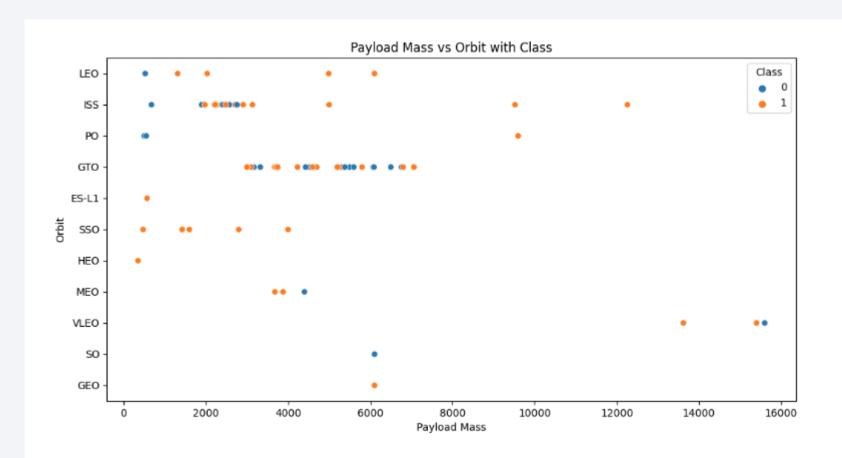
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

• The plot below shows the Flight Number vs. Orbit type. We observe that in the LEO orbit, success is related to the number of flights whereas in the GTO orbit, there is no relationship between flight number and the orbit.



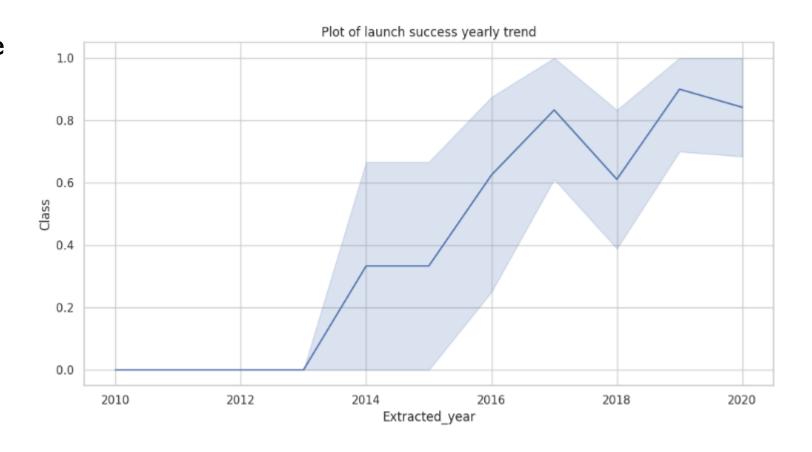
Payload vs. Orbit Type

• We can observe that with heavy payloads, the successful landing are more for PO, LEO and ISS orbits. However for GTO we cannot distinguish this well as both positive landing rate and negative landing(unsuccessful mission) are both there here.



Launch Success Yearly Trend

• From the plot, we can observe that success rate since 2013 kept on increasing till 2020.



All Launch Site Names

We used the key word
 DISTINCT to show only unique launch sites from the SpaceX data.

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

```
%%sql SELECT DISTINCT LAUNCH_SITE
    FROM SPACEXTBL ;

* sqlite://my_data1.db
Done.

Launch_Site

CCAFS LC-40

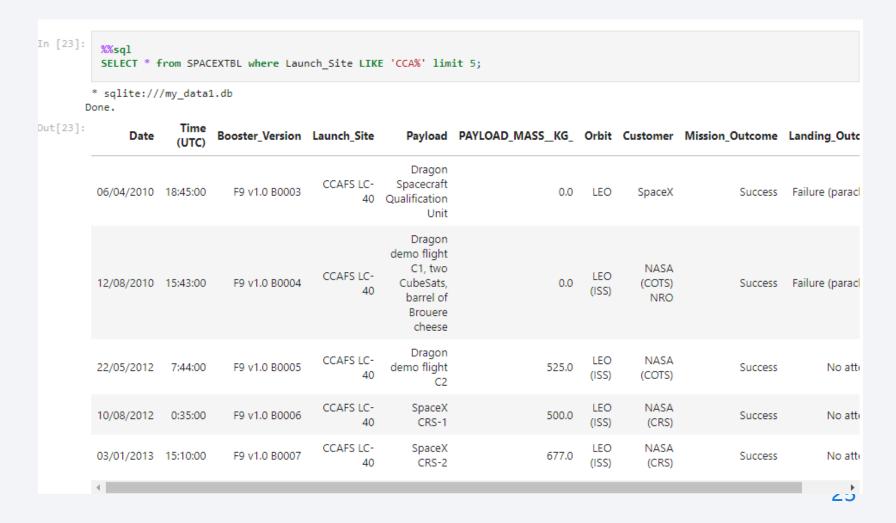
VAFB SLC-4E

KSC LC-39A

CCAFS SLC-40
```

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

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



Total Payload Mass

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

Task 3 Display the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS) %%sql SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD MASS KG) AS Total_PayloadMass FROM SpaceXTBL WHERE Customer LIKE 'NASA (CRS)' * sqlite:///my_data1.db Done. Total_PayloadMass 45596.0

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

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

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

First Successful Ground Landing Date

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

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

Hint:Use min function

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have

```
[49]:
        %%sql
                       SELECT Booster Version
                 FROM SpaceXTBL
                 WHERE Landing Outcome = 'Success (drone ship)'
                     AND Payload Mass KG > 4000
                     AND Payload Mass KG < 6000
       * sqlite:///my data1.db
      Done.
t[49]: Booster_Version
            F9 FT B1022
           F9 FT B1026
          F9 FT B1021.2
          F9 FT B1031.2
```

 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

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

```
In [58]:
           %%sql SELECT Mission_Outcome, COUNT(*) AS Total
           FROM SpaceXTBL
           GROUP BY Mission Outcome;
         * sqlite:///my data1.db
        Done.
Out[58]:
                      Mission Outcome Total
                                 None
                        Failure (in flight)
                               Success
                                           98
                               Success
          Success (payload status unclear)
```

 We used Groupby to filter the result grouped by the Mission_Outcome wether the mission was successful or failure

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.

Task 8

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

```
List the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass. Use a subquery
  %%sql SELECT Booster Version
  FROM SpaceXTBL
  WHERE PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ = (
      SELECT MAX(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)
      FROM SpaceXTBL
      Order By Booster Version
  );
 * sqlite:///my data1.db
Done.
  Booster_Version
    F9 B5 B1048.4
    F9 B5 B1049.4
    F9 B5 B1051.3
    F9 B5 B1056.4
    F9 B5 B1048.5
```

2015 Launch Records

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

```
In [76]:
          %%sql
                         SELECT Booster Version, Launch Site, Landing Outcome , Date
                   FROM SpaceXTBL
                   WHERE Landing Outcome LIKE 'Failure (drone ship)'
                       AND Date LIKE '%2015'
         * sqlite:///my data1.db
        Done.
Out[76]: Booster_Version Launch_Site Landing_Outcome
                                                              Date
            F9 v1.1 B1012 CCAFS LC-40 Failure (drone ship) 01/10/2015
            F9 v1.1 B1015 CCAFS LC-40 Failure (drone ship) 14/04/2015
```

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.

```
In [79]:  
%%sql SELECT Landing_Outcome, COUNT(*) AS Count_Successful
FROM SpaceXTBL
WHERE Date BETWEEN '04/06/2010' AND '20/03/2017'
GROUP BY Landing_Outcome
ORDER BY Count_Successful DESC;

* sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.

Out[79]: Landing_Outcome Count_Successful
```

20	Success
9	No attempt
8	Success (drone ship)
7	Success (ground pad)
3	Failure (drone ship)
3	Failure
2	Failure (parachute)
2	Controlled (ocean)
1	No attempt

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.

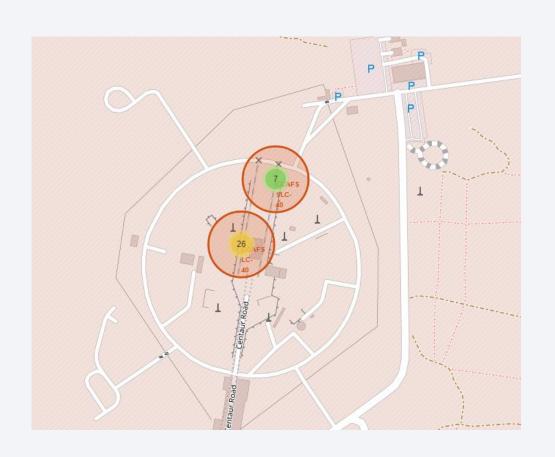


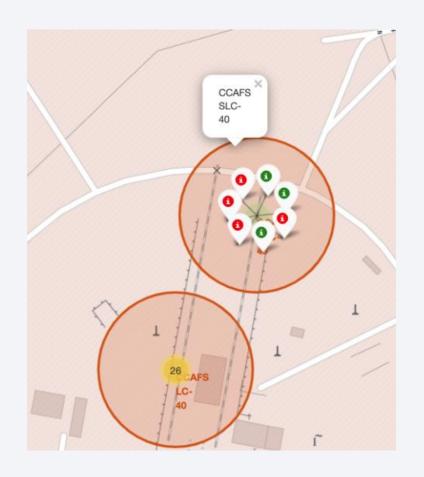
All launch sites global map markers



As we can see the launch sites are in the USA coasts: Florida and California

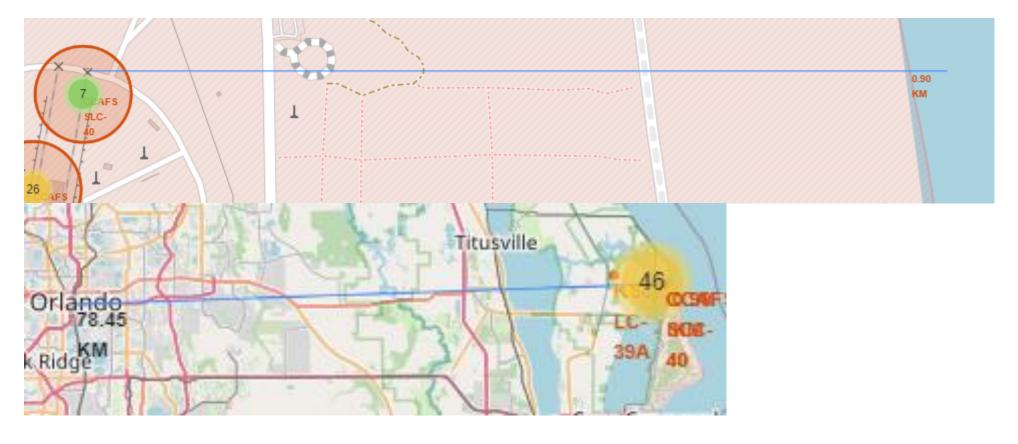
Markers showing launch sites with color labels





Green marker = Success | Red Marker = Failures

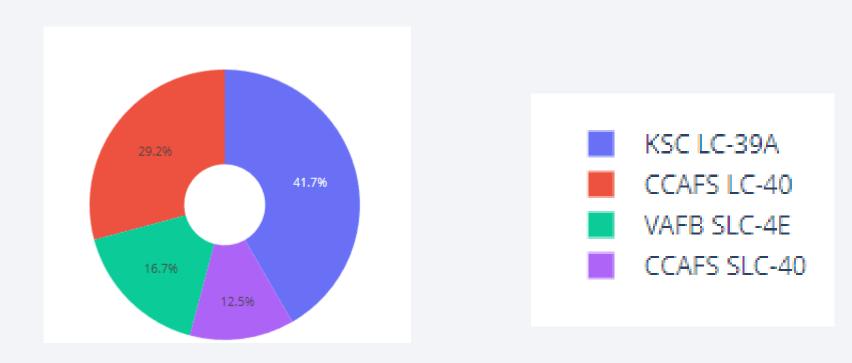
Launch Site distance to landmarks



- •Are launch sites in close proximity to railways?
- •Are launch sites in close proximity to highways?
- •Are launch sites in close proximity to coastline?
- •Do launch sites keep certain distance away from cities



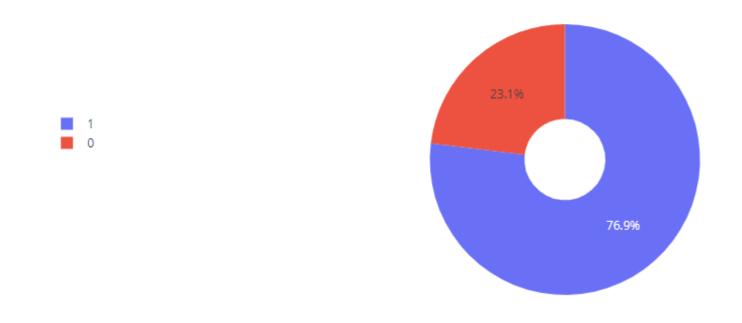
Pie chart showing the success percentage achieved by each launch site



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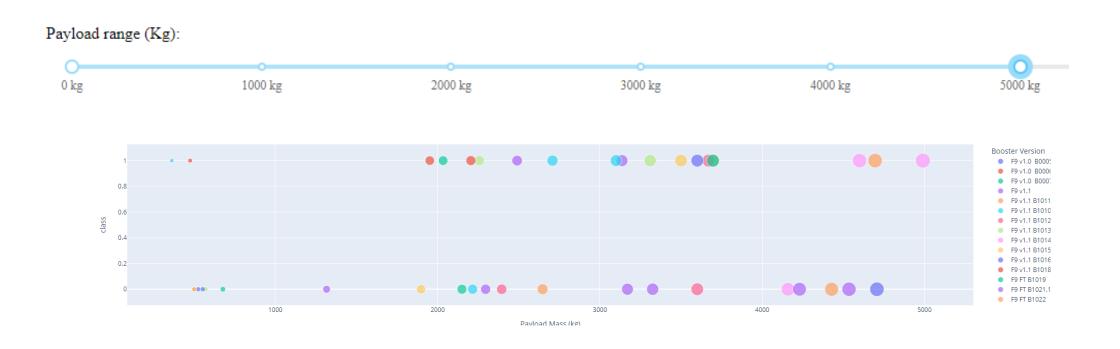
Pie chart showing the Launch site with the highest launch success ratio

Total Success Launches for site KSC LC-39A



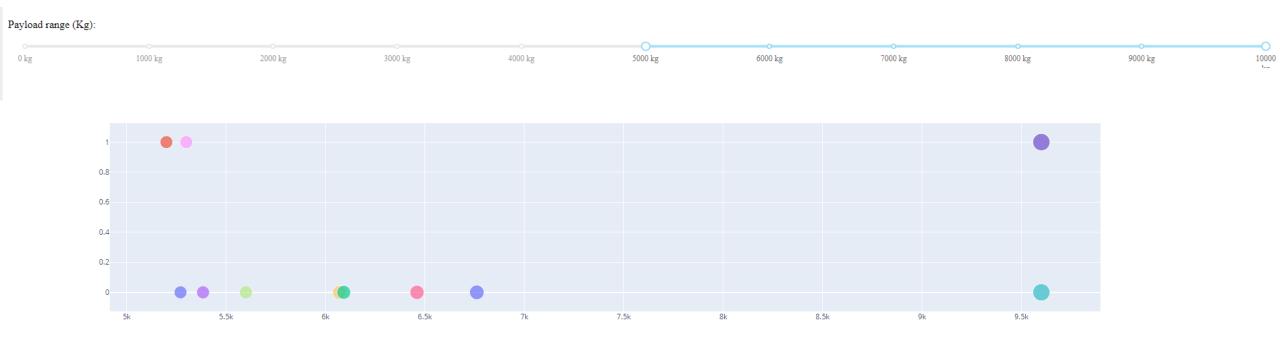
From the chart, KSC LC-39A had 76,9% successful launch rate and 23.1% failure launch rate

Scatter plot of Payload vs Launch Outcome for all sites, with different payload selected in the range slider



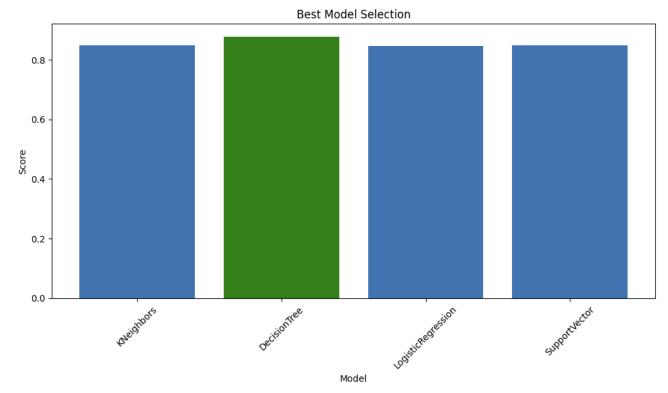
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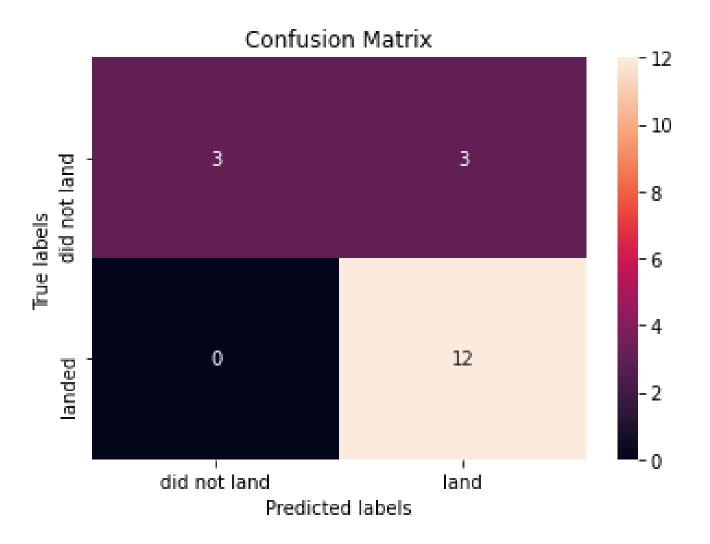


Classification Accuracy

 The decision tree classifier is the model with the highest classification accuracy

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.

