

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

Summary of methodologies

Data collection, data wrangling, exploratory data analysis (SQL), data visualization (Folium, Plotly), model development, model evaluation, and reporting

Summary of all results

Predict if the first stage of the SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket will land successfully. All models over predicted successful landings. Additional data is needed to improve model determination and accuracy

Different machine learning models produced: Logistic Regression, Support Vector Machine, Decision Tree Classifier, and K Nearest Neighbors. All produced similar results with accuracy ~ 83.33%.

Introduction

Project background and context

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

Which are the variables and their relationship that influence on a successful rocket landing?



Methodology

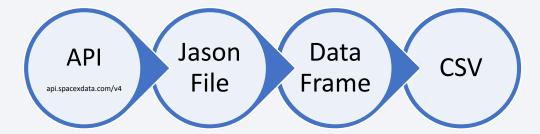
Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Retrieved from SpaceX API and web scraped to collect Falcon 9 historical launch records from a Wikipedia page.
- Perform data wrangling
 - Replace missing values with mean and other appropriate methods. Encoding data fields for Machine Learning and dropping irrelevant columns
 - Classifying true landings as successful and unsuccessful otherwise
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- · Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - · Different models were trained. Model with highest accuracy with tuned hyper-parameters was selected.

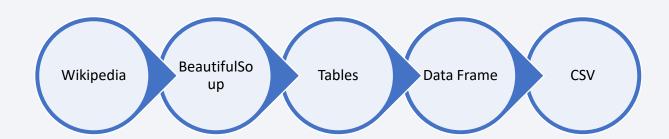
Data Collection

Describe how data sets were collected

Option 1: Space X API



Option 2: Webscraping



Deal with Nulls values!*

 $\hbox{\it *replace the null values with the mean}\\$

Data Collection – SpaceX API

- Present your data collection with SpaceX REST calls using key phrases and flowcharts
- Getting response from SpaceX-API
- Converting response to json-file and transferring into a Data-Frame
- Clean up the data using prepared functions
- 4. Creating a final dataset with the columns of interest
- 5. Filtering dataset for Falcon 9 Launches
- 6. Dealing with Missing Values
- 7. Export to CSV

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GitHub

https://github.com/echinni/IBM-Data-Science-Final-Project/blob/299616c7750133b55a37bff9bc523137a74efd3
f/Week%201.1%20Data%20Collection%20API%20Lab.ipynb
```

```
▶ spacex url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"

       response = requests.get(spacex url)
        # Use json normalize meethod to convert the json result into a dataframe
        data = pd.json_normalize(response.json())
      # Call getBoosterVersion
                                              launch dict = {'FlightNumber': list(data['flight number']),
       getBoosterVersion(data)
                                              'Date': list(data['date']),
                                              'BoosterVersion':BoosterVersion.
      # Call getLaunchSite
                                              'PayloadMass':PayloadMass,
       getLaunchSite(data)
                                              'Orbit':Orbit,
                                              'LaunchSite':LaunchSite,
      # Call getPayloadData
                                              'Outcome':Outcome,
       getPayloadData(data)
                                              'Flights':Flights,
                                              'GridFins':GridFins,
      # Call getCoreData
                                              'Reused':Reused,
       getCoreData(data)
                                              'Legs':Legs,
                                              'LandingPad':LandingPad,
                                              'Block':Block,
                                              'ReusedCount':ReusedCount.
                                              'Serial':Serial,
                                              'Longitude': Longitude,
                                              'Latitude': Latitude}
        # Hint data['BoosterVersion']!='Falcon 1'
         data falcon9 = df1[df1['BoosterVersion']!='Falcon 1']
        # Replace the np.nan values with its mean value
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        data falcon9['PayloadMass'] = data falcon9['PayloadMass'].replace(np.nan, av PayloadMass)
        data falcon9.to csv('dataset part 1.csv', index=False)
```

Data Collection - Scraping

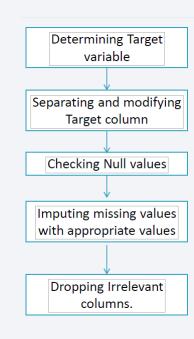
- Present your web scraping process using key phrases and flowcharts
- Request the Falcon9 Launch Wiki page from its URL
- Create Beautiful-soup object from HTML response
- 3. Extract all column/variable names from the HTML table header
- 4. Create a data frame by parsing the launch HTML tables
- 5. Exporting data to CSV-file

```
static url = "https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=List of Falcon 9 and Falcon
            # assign the response to a object
1.
            html_data=requests.get(static_url).text
                # Use BeautifulSoup() to create a BeautifulSoup
                soup = BeautifulSoup(html data, 'html.parser')
              # Assign the result to a list calle
3.
              html tables=soup.find all('table')
     [49]: extracted_row = 0
          #Extract each table
          for table_number,table in enumerate(soup.find_all('table',"wikitable plainrowheaders collapsible")):
             for rows in table.find_all("tr"):
                #check to see if first table heading is as number corresponding to launch a number
                if rows.th:
                   if rows.th.string:
                      flight_number=rows.th.string.strip()
                      flag=flight_number.isdigit()
                   flag=False
                #get table element
                row=rows.find_all('td')
                #if it is number save cells in a dictonary
                   extracted_row += 1
                   # Flight Number value
                   # TODO: Append the flight_number into launch_dict with key `Flight No.`
                   launch_dict['Flight No.'].append(flight_number)
                   #print(flight_number)
        df.to csv('spacex web scraped.csv', index=False)
```



Data Wrangling

- Perform some Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) to find some patterns in the data and determine what would be the label for training supervised models.
- Identify and calculate the percentage of the missing values in each attribute
- Calculate the number of launches on each site
- Calculate the number and occurrence of each orbit
- Calculate the number and occurence of mission outcome per orbit type
- Create a landing outcome label from Outcome column: 1 means the booster successfully landed 0 means it was unsuccessful.



EDA with Data Visualization

- Summarize what charts were plotted and why you used those charts
 - Flight Number vs. Payload Mass Flight Number vs. Orbit
 - Flight Number vs. Launch Site Payload vs Orbit
 - Payload Mass vs. Launch Site Success Yearly Trend
 - Orbit vs. Success Rate

- Scatterplots are useful to show relationships between variables
- Bar charts are suitable for comparing the ratio of a variable in discrete classes with one another, if necessary, grouping them as well
- Line plots show the progression of variables over time



EDA with SQL

- Using bullet point format, summarize the SQL queries you performed
- Loaded data set into IBM DB2 Database.
- Queried using SQL Python integration.
- Queries were made to get a better understanding of the dataset.
- Queried information about launch site names, mission outcomes, various pay load sizes of customers and booster versions, and landing outcomes



Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Summarize what map objects such as markers, circles, lines, etc. you created and added to a folium map. Explain why you added those objects
- Folium maps mark Launch Sites. Given a text label, and its latitude and longitude, successful (green) and unsuccessful (red) landings, and a proximity example to key locations: Railway, Highway, Coast, and City.
- This allows us to understand why launch sites may be located where they are. Also visualizes successful landings relative to location.



Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

Pie Chart showing the total launches by a certain site/all sites

- display relative proportions of multiple classes of data.
- size of the circle can be made proportional to the total quantity it represents.

Scatter Graph showing the relationship with Outcome and Payload Mass (Kg) for the different Booster Versions

It shows the relationship between two variables.

It is the best method to show you a non-linear pattern.

The range of data flow, i.e. maximum and minimum value, can be determined.

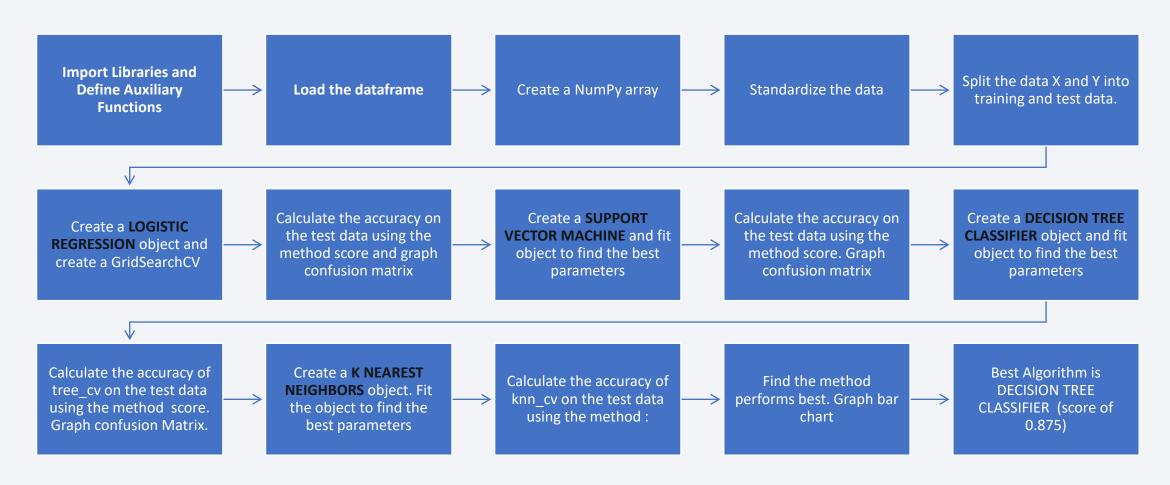
Observation and reading are straightforward.



Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- Summarize how you built, evaluated, improved, and found the best performing classification model
- You need present your model development process using key phrases and flowchart
- Add the GitHub URL of your completed predictive analysis lab, as an external reference and peer-review purpose

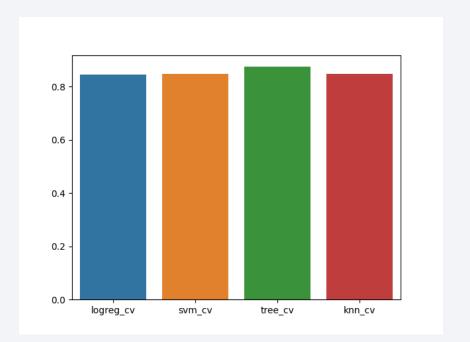
Predictive Analysis (Classification)





Results

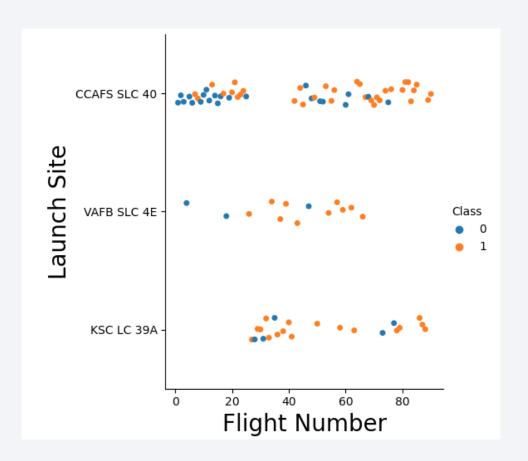
- Exploratory data analysis results
- Interactive analytics demo in screenshots
- Predictive analysis results





Flight Number vs. Launch Site

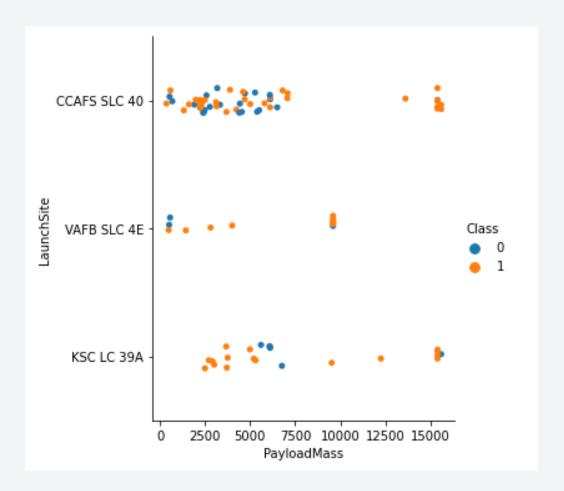
- Launch success rate increased over the time (from 0% to 100%)
- Most part of the launches were performed from CCAFS
- VAFB SLC 4E and KSC LC 39A have the highest success rates for starting positions.



Payload vs. Launch Site

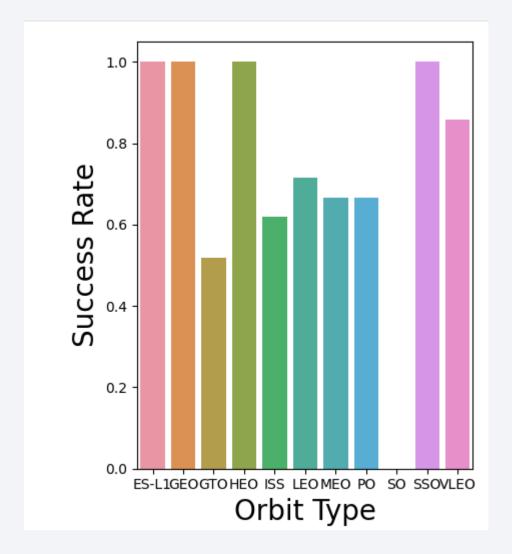
• The larger the payload, the better the success rate, except for KSC.

 The VAFB SLC 4E launch site appears inadequate for launches with heavy payloads (>10.000)



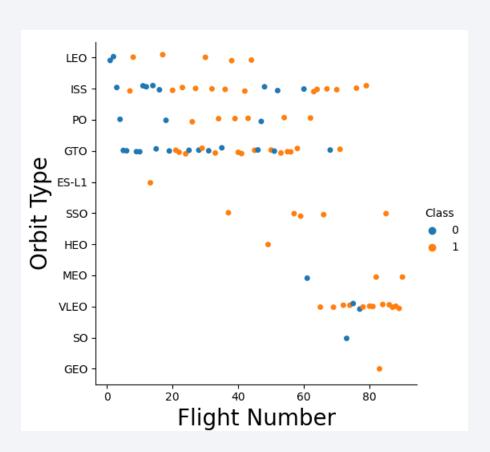
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

- •The orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO have highest 100% sucess rate.
- •No successful launch found fororbit type SO.
- •The rest of orbit types present a success rate of around 60%.



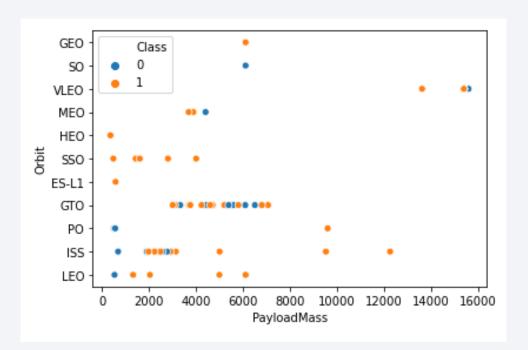
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

- VLEO orbit was selected for the most recent launches (from flight 65 on).
 Present a high successful rate of 86%.
- Higher number of launches: ISS (21), GTO (27) and VLEO (14).
- No relationship between orbit type and flight number for GTO and ISS orbits
- SpaceX appears to perform better in lower orbits or Sun-synchronous orbits



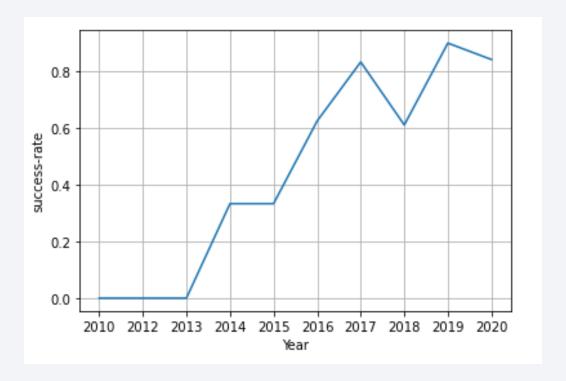
Payload vs. Orbit Type

- Low payloads and low orbits indicate a low success rate, but this could also have been the result of the early launch attempts.
- Higher launches: orbits GTO and ISS.
- ISS have the most diverse array of payloads

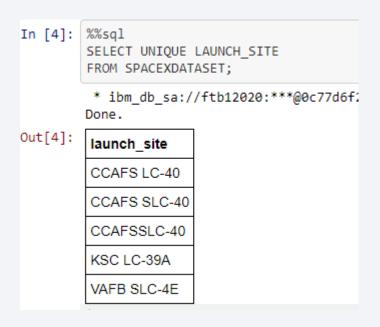


Launch Success Yearly Trend

- Success generally increases over time since 2013 with a slight dip in 2018
- Success in recent years at around 80%



All Launch Site Names



Query unique launch site names from database.

CCAFS SLC-40 and CCAFSSLC-40 likely all represent the same launch site with data entry errors.

CCAFS LC-40 was the previous name.

Likely only 3 unique launch_site values:

CCAFS SLC-40, KSC LC-39A, VAFB SLC-4E

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

Find 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`

```
In [5]: %%sql
        SELECT *
        FROM SPACEXDATASET
        WHERE LAUNCH SITE LIKE 'CCA%'
        LIMIT 5;
         * ibm_db_sa://ftb12020:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90l08kqb1od8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:31198/bludb
```

Out[5]:

: [DATE	timeutc_	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)
- 1	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)
- 1	2012- 05-22	07:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2	525	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attempt
- 1	2012- 10-08	00:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-1	500	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt
- 1	2013- 03-01	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-2	677	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt

First five entries in database with Launch Site name beginning with CCA.

Total Payload Mass

Calculate the total payload carried by boosters from NASA

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

**sql SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE CUSTOMER LIKE 'NASA (CRS)'

**sqlite://my_data1.db
Done.

SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)

45596
```

• The result returns the total payload of all boosters launched by NASA.

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

```
%%sql
SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) AS AVG_PAYLOAD_MASS_KG
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE booster_version = 'F9 v1.1'

* ibm_db_sa://ftb12020:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-8@Done.

avg_payload_mass_kg
2928
```

- This query calculates the average payload mass or launches which used booster version F9 v1.1
- Average payload mass of F9 1.1 is on the low end of our payload mass range

First Successful Ground Landing Date

```
%%sql
SELECT MIN(DATE) AS FIRST_SUCCESS
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE landing__outcome = 'Success (ground pad)';

* ibm_db_sa://ftb12020:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81
Done.

first_success
2015-12-22
```

- This query returns the first successful ground pad landing date.
- First ground pad landing wasn't
- until the end of 2015.
- Successful landings in general
- appear starting 2014.

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

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

**Ssql SELECT "Booster_Version"
FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE
"Landing _Outcome" LIKE 'Success (drone ship)'
AND
"PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_" BETWEEN 4000 AND 6000;

* sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.

*Booster_Version
F9 FT B1022
F9 FT B1021.2
F9 FT B1021.2
```

 Result lists the names 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

```
%%sql SELECT
    sum(CASE WHEN "Mission_Outcome" LIKE 'Success%' THEN 1 ELSE 0 END) AS 'Success',
    sum(CASE WHEN "Mission_Outcome" LIKE 'Failure%' THEN 1 ELSE 0 END) AS 'Failure'
    from SPACEXTBL

* sqlite://my_data1.db
Done.

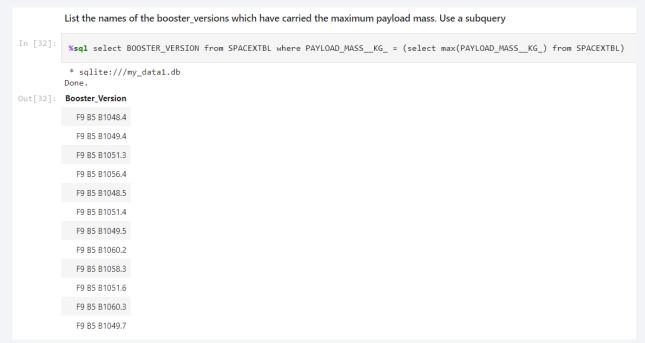
Success Failure

100 1
```

Results display the total number of successful and failed mission outcomes. It states that the failed are minimal.

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

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



Query returns the names of the booster versions that carried the maximum payload, a total of 12 booster versions

2015 Launch Records

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

```
%%sql
SELECT MONTHNAME(DATE) AS MONTH, landing_outcome, booster_version, PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_, launch_site
FROM SPACEXDATASET
WHERE landing_outcome = 'Failure (drone ship)' AND YEAR(DATE) = 2015;

* ibm_db_sa://ftb12020:***@0c77d6f2-5da9-48a9-81f8-86b520b87518.bs2io90l08kqb1od8lcg.databases.app
Done.

MONTH landing_outcome booster_version payload_mass_kg_ launch_site

January Failure (drone ship) F9 v1.1 B1012 2395 CCAFS LC-40

April Failure (drone ship) F9 v1.1 B1015 1898 CCAFS LC-40
```

This query returns the Month, Landing Outcome, Booster Version, Payload Mass (kg), and Launch site of 2015 launches where stage 1 failed to land on a drone ship.

There were two such occurrences.

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

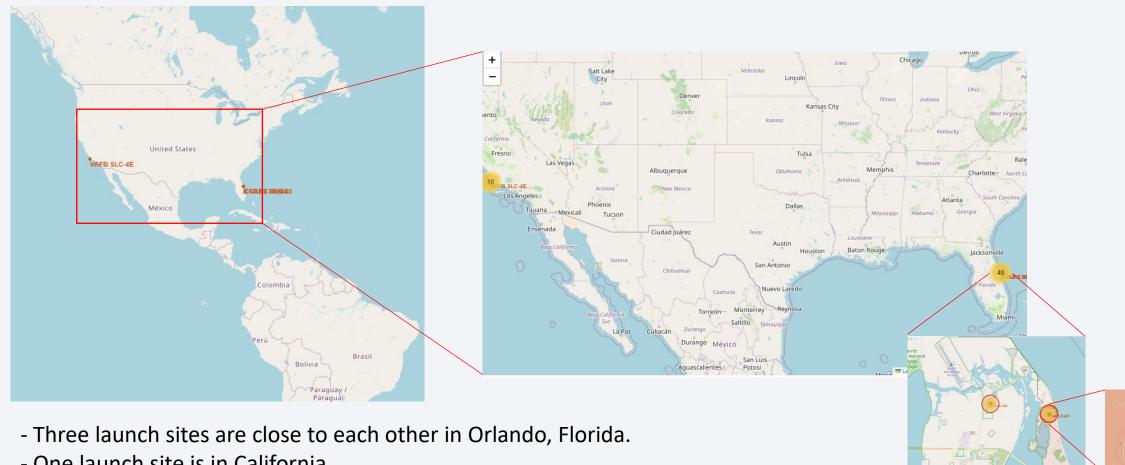
This query returns a list of successful landings and between 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20 inclusively.

There are two types of successful landing outcomes: drone ship and ground pad landings.

There were 8 successful landings in total during this time period



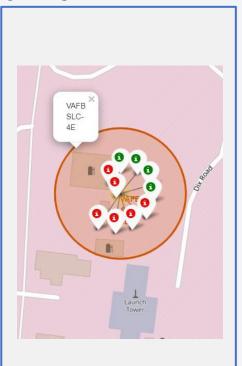
Space X Launch Sites



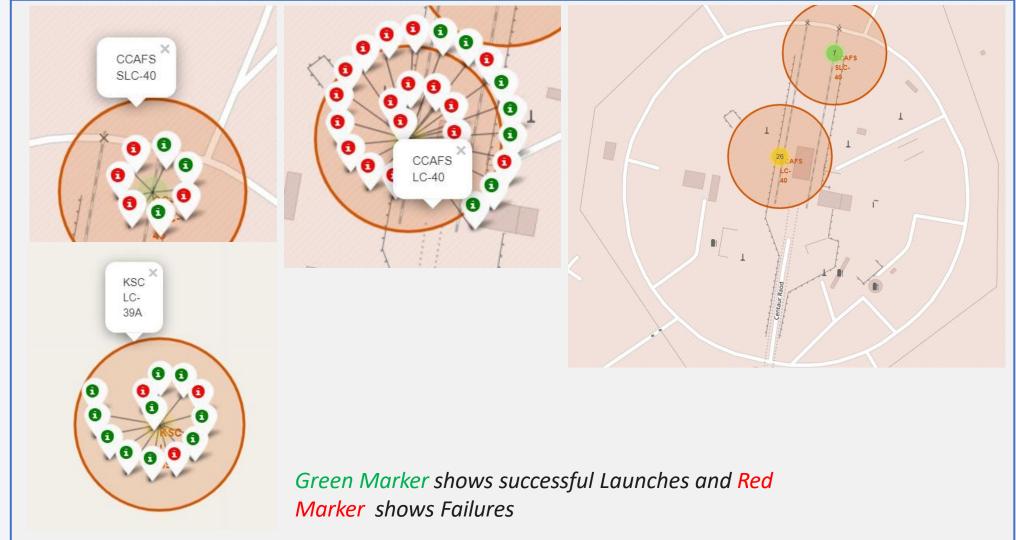
- One launch site is in California.
- All launch sites are close to the coast so that first stage can be thrown to the sea after the take-off.

Success Launches

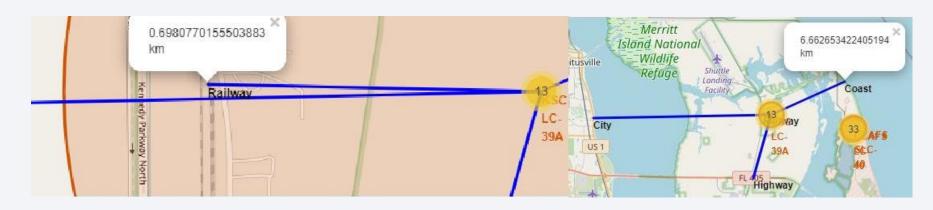
CALIFORNIA



FLORIDA



Strategic Location





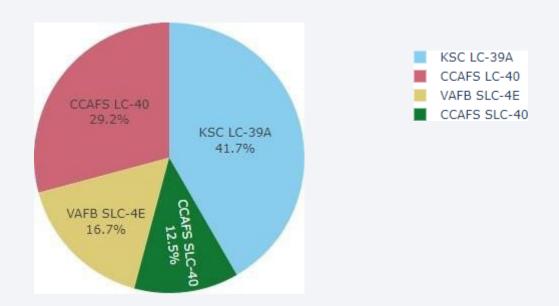
Close to railways for large part and supply transportation

Close to highways for human and supply transport

Close to coasts and relatively far from cities so that launch failures can land in the sea and avoiding rockets falling populated areas.



Launch success count for all sites



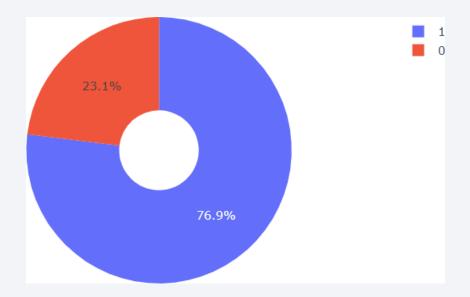
Most successful launch attempts: "KSC LC-39A"

2/3 of the total successful missions: "KSC LC-39A" and "CCAFS LC-40"

VAFB has the smallest share of successful landings. This may be due to smaller sample and increase in difficulty of launching in the west coast..

Launch site with highest launch success ratio

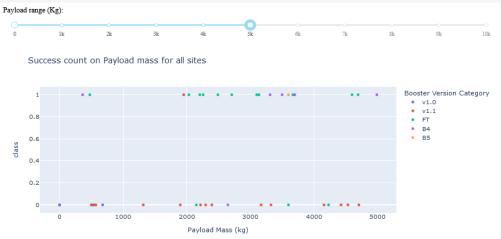
KSC LC-39A Success Rate (blue=success)



KSC LC-39A has the highest success rate with 10 successful landings and 3 failed landings.

Payload vs. Launch Outcome





Plotly dashboard has a Payload range selector.
Class indicates 1 for successful landing and 0 for failure.
Scatter plot also accounts for booster version category in color and number of launches in point size.

We can see the success rates for low weighted payloads is higher than the heavy weighted payloads



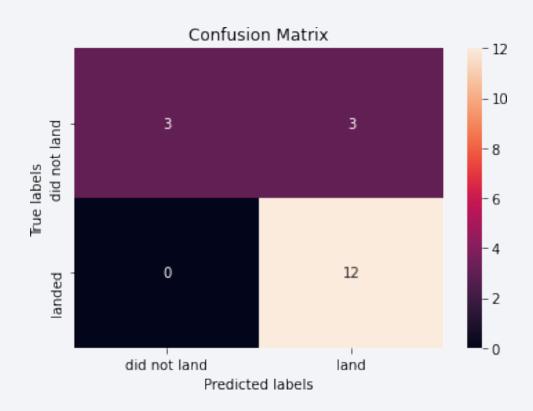
Classification Accuracy



After selecting the best hyperparameters for the decision tree classifier using the validation data, we achieved 83.33% accuracy on the test data.

Decision Tress has the highest classification accuracy

Confusion Matrix



The major problem is false positives.

Conclusions

- It is observed that Decision tree has the highest classification accuracy with accuracy score of 88.8%.
- Low weighted payloads perform better than the heavier payloads
- The success rates for SpaceX launches is directly proportional time in years they will eventually perfect the launches
- We can see that KSC LC-39A had the most successful launches from all the sites
- Orbit GEO,HEO,SSO,ES-L1 has the best Success Rate
- Launch sitres are located close to coast, eailways and highways mainting safety distance from cities
- Allon Mask of SpaceY can use this model to predict with relatively high accuracy whether a launch will have a successful Stage 1 landing before launch to determine whether the launch should be made or not

Appendix

Github url for Capstone Project



<u>echinni/IBM-Data-Science-Final-Project: Python</u> Basics for Data Science Project (github.com)

Thank you for taking time and evaluate the project!

