

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

Summary of methodologies

- Data collection and wrangling
- EDA with SQL and visualization
- Creation of an interactive map with Folium and a dashboard with Plotly Dash
- Predictive analysis using several classifiers and parameters optimization with GridSearchCV

Summary of all results

- EDA results
- Interactive analysis
- Predictive analysis

Introduction

- Project background and context
 - SpaceX intends to reduce the costs of spatial flights by reusing the first stage of their rockets.
- Problems you want to find answers
 - This project goal is to predict if the first stage of a Falcon 9 rocket will lang back to earth successfully.



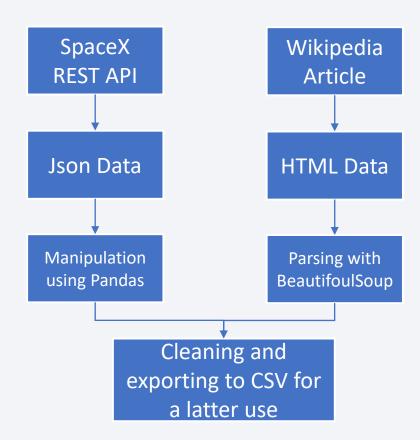
Methodology

Executive Summary

- · Data collection methodology
 - SpaceX Rest API
 - Wikipedia website using web scrapping
- Perform data wrangling
 - OneHotEncoding categorical fields, replacing missing values by the mean value, scaling the numerical values using a StandardScaler
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- · Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - Comparing 4 models Linear Regression, K-Nearest Neighbours, SVM, and Decision Tree with optimized parameters using GridSearchCV, and plotting plotting the confusion matrix on the training set and the accuracy on the testing set.

Data Collection

- Two datasets were collected:
 - One from <u>SpaceX REST API</u>, containing the launch data :
 - Booster version
 - Payload mass
 - Launching site
 - Landing specifications
 - Landing outcome
 - The second by performing web scrapping on Wikipedia.

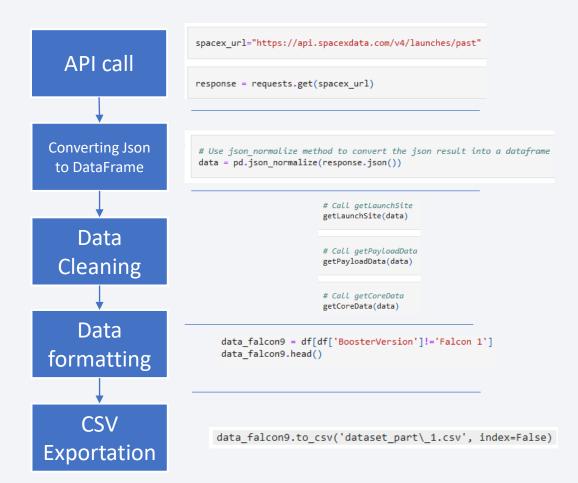


Data Collection – SpaceX API

 Data collection with SpaceX REST API

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https://github.com/eliaccess/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/master/Week%201%20-%20Data%20Collection%20API%20Lab.ipynb



Data Collection - Scraping

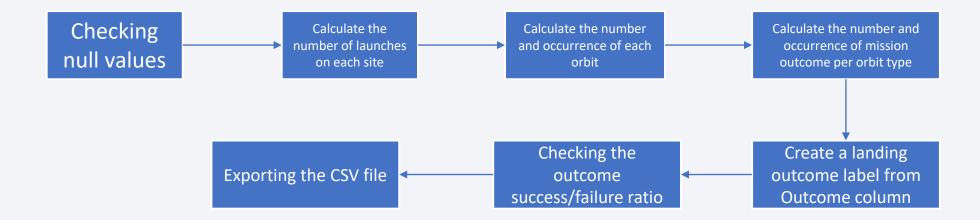
 Data collection by Web Scrapping a Wikipedia article

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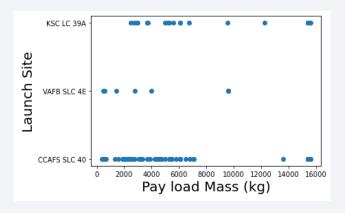


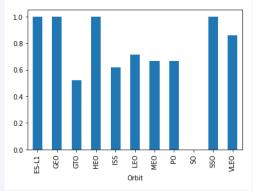
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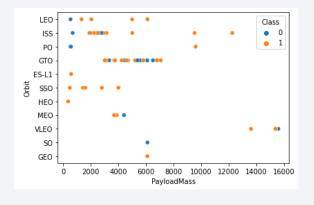


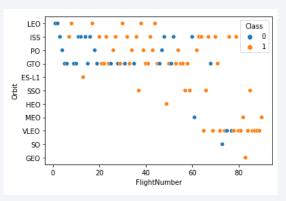
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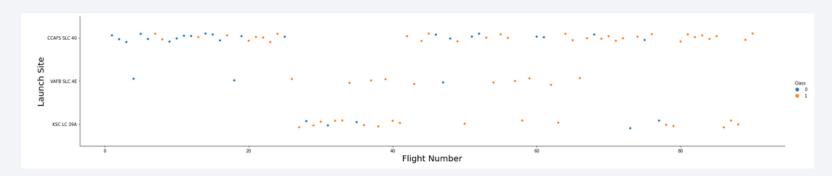
EDA with Data Visualization

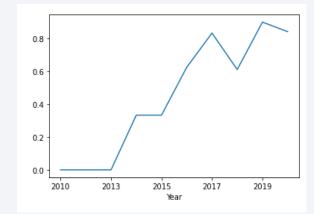












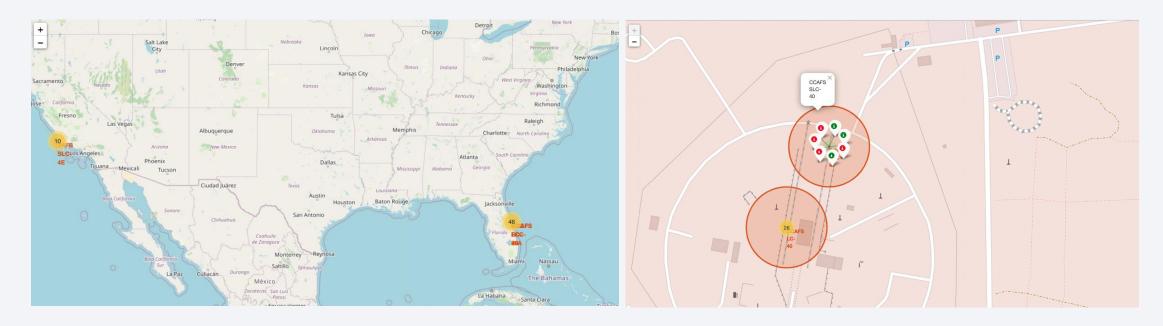
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EDA with SQL

- Display the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission
- Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'
- Display the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
- Display average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
- List the date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was acheived.
- List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000
- List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
- List the names of the booster versions which have carried the maximum payload mass using a subquery
- List the failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015
- Rank the count of landing outcomes between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20, in descending order

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Build an Interactive Map with Folium



Markers were added to the sites to see the proportion of success for each one, and the Circles describes the launching sites, in order to have an overview of each site

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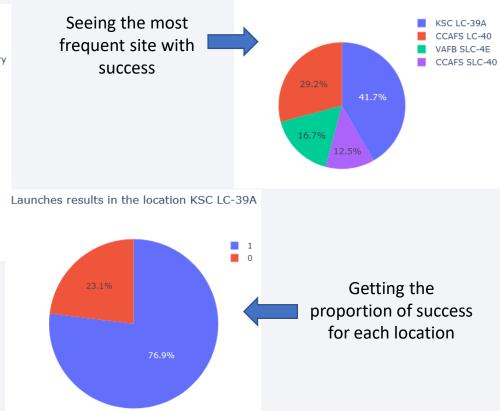
Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash



to have an overview of the impact of each feature on the outcome

Payload mass and booster version for a location or for all locations

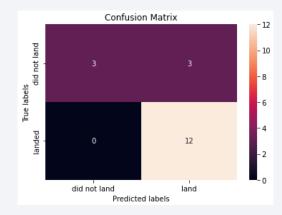
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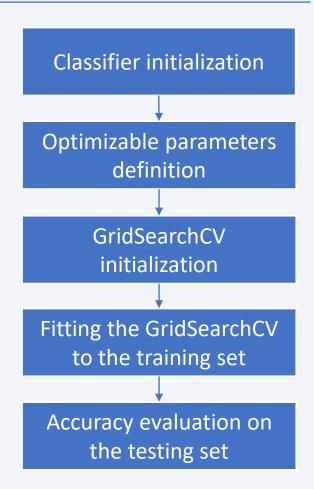
Total success launches per site

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- Several models studied
 - Logistic Regression, SVM, KNN, and Decision Tree
- A confusion matrix built on the training test is displayed for each model for to increase readability



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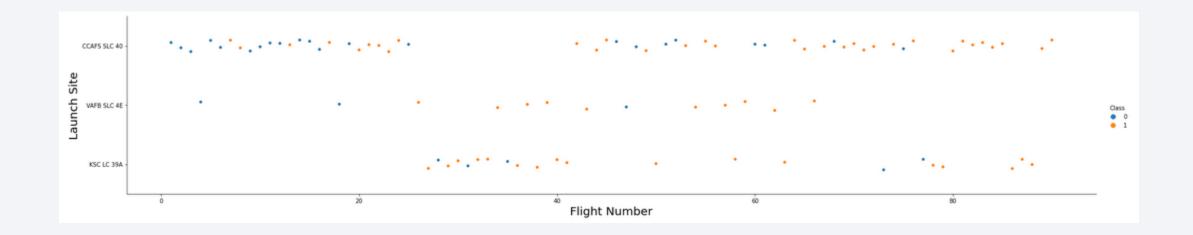


Results

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

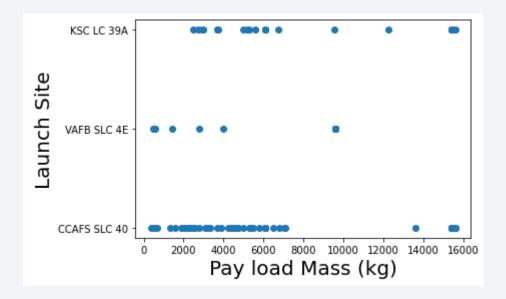


Flight Number vs. Launch Site



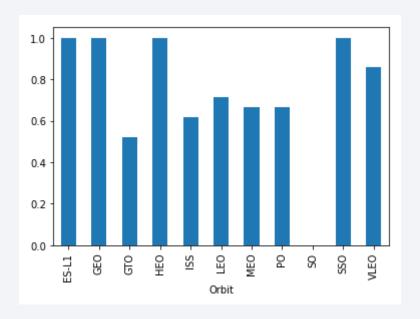
CCAFS SLC 40 seems to be the one with the most successful outcomes.

Payload vs. Launch Site



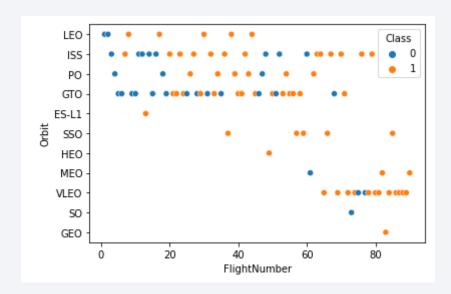
CCAFS SLC 40 have a highly dense launches with a lighter payload mass in average.

Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



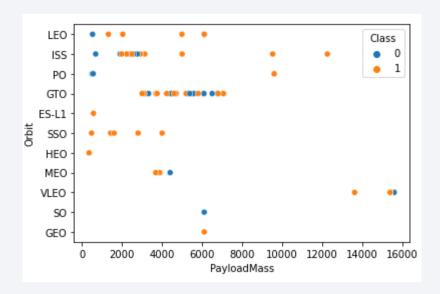
The ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO orbits has the highest landing outcome success rate.

Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



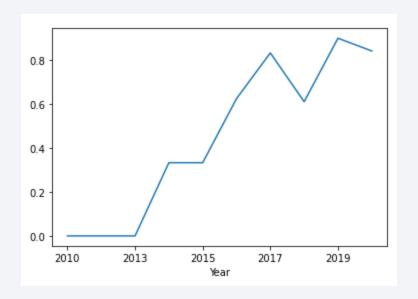
VLEO is the orbit that had the most rockets launched to during the last years

Payload vs. Orbit Type



ISS has a cluster of launches with a payload of 2000 to 4000, and GTO has one from 3000 to 8000.

Launch Success Yearly Trend



The results are increasing with time in average, even though some years are a bit lower, like in 2018.

All Launch Site Names



The UNIQUE() function allows us to avoid results redundancy.

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'



The LIKE allows to get results that are like CCA, with strings that can replace the '%' signs.

The LIMIT parameter limits the result of the query to 5 rows.

Total Payload Mass

```
SELECT SUM(payload_mass_kg_) AS "Total Payload Mass"
FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE customer LIKE 'NASA (CRS)';

45596
```

The SUM() function allows us to get the sum of all payload mass of every rows returned by the rest of the query.

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

```
SELECT AVG(payload_mass_kg_) AS "Average Payload Mass"

FROM SPACEXTBL

WHERE booster_version = 'F9 v1.1';

Average Payload Mass

2928
```

The AVG() function allows us to get the average of all payload mass of every rows returned by the rest of the query, with a filter to get the 'F9 v1.1' model.

First Successful Ground Landing Date

```
SELECT MIN(date) AS "First successful launch"

FROM SPACEXTBL

WHERE landing_outcome LIKE '%Success (ground pad)%';

First successful launch

2015-12-22
```

The MIN() function allows us to get the minimum value of the dates that were filtered to get only the ones with a successful outcome.

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

```
SELECT booster_version

FROM SPACEXTBL

WHERE landing_outcome LIKE '%Success (drone ship)%'

AND payload_mass_kg_ BETWEEN 4000 AND 6000;

F9 FT B1021.2

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```

The BETWEEN parameter limits the results to the rows with a payload mass between 4000 and 6000.

booster version

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

```
SELECT COUNT(*)

FROM SPACEXTBL

WHERE mission_outcome LIKE '%Success%'

OR mission_outcome LIKE '%Failure%';
```

The OR parameter allows to include the two values in the result.

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

```
SELECT booster_version
FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE payload_mass_kg_ = (
    SELECT MAX(payload_mass_kg_) FROM SPACEXTBL);
```

The subquery gets the maximum payload value, and the main one returns the rows with that payload value.

F9 B5 B1048.4
F9 B5 B1049.4
F9 B5 B1051.3
F9 B5 B1056.4
F9 B5 B1048.5
F9 B5 B1048.5
F9 B5 B1049.5
F9 B5 B1060.2
F9 B5 B1051.6
F9 B5 B1060.3
F9 B5 B1060.3

2015 Launch Records

```
SELECT date, booster_version, launch_site, landing_outcome
FROM SPACEXTBL

WHERE landing_outcome LIKE '%Failure (drone ship)%'

AND YEAR(date) = 2015;

DATE booster_version launch_site landing_outcome

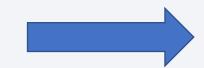
2015-01-10 F9 v1.1 B1012 CCAFS LC-40 Failure (drone ship)

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

The YEAR() functions returns the year contained in the 'date' field as an integer, so it is easier to compare to the '2015' value.

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

```
SELECT landing__outcome, COUNT(*) AS "Amount of launches"
FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE date BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20'
GROUP BY landing__outcome
ORDER BY "Amount of launches" DESC;
```

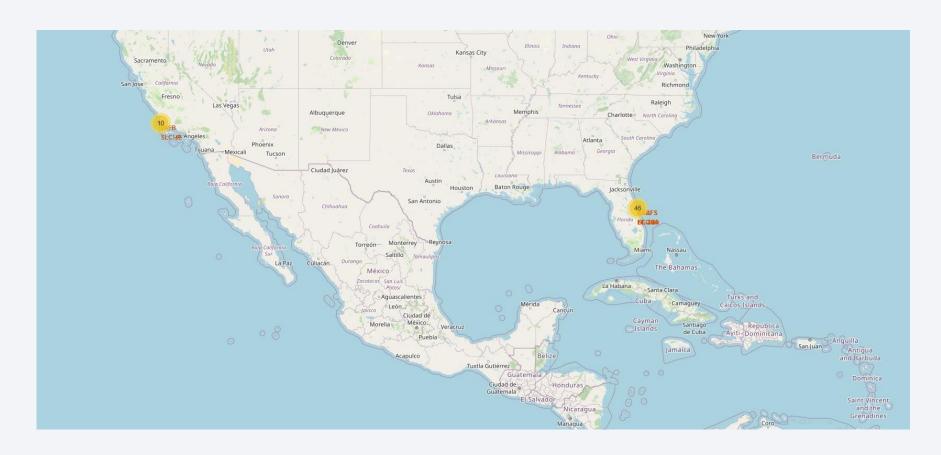


landing_outcome	Amount of launches
No attempt	10
Failure (drone ship)	5
Success (drone ship)	5
Controlled (ocean)	3
Success (ground pad)	3
Failure (parachute)	2
Uncontrolled (ocean)	2
Precluded (drone ship)	1

The GROUP BY groups the results to get data for all the values of the field, and the COUNT() gets the occurrences (amount of rows) of each one.

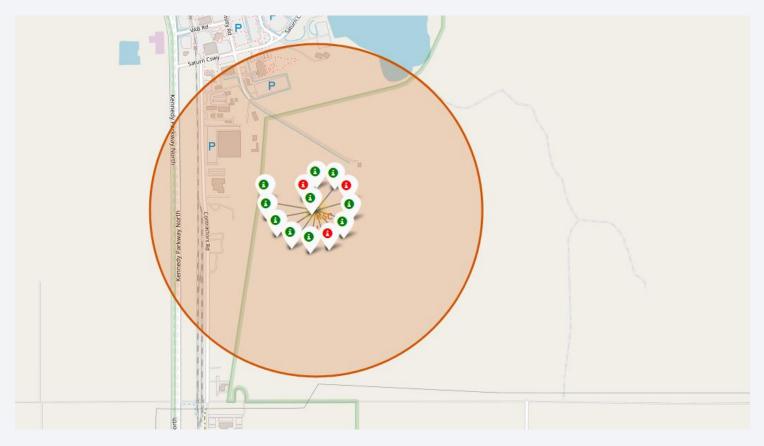


All Launch Sites Locations



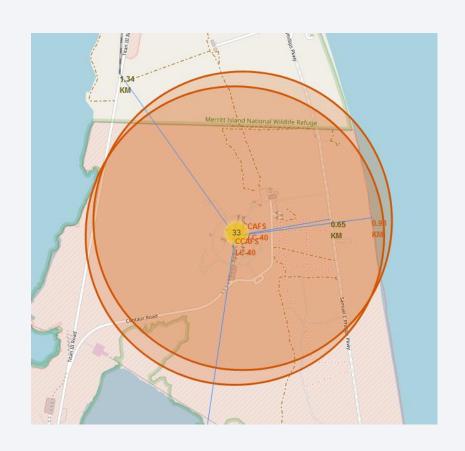
Two clusters of sites are noticeable on the map: one near Los Angeles, and the most import near Orlando

Launch Sites Outcomes



For each launch point, the success outcomes are marked in green and the failure in red when clicked on.

Proximities to infrastructures





Distances are shown, for example here the site is at a minimum distance of :

- 1.34 km from a railway
- 0.98 km from a coast
- 0.65 km from a highway
 - 18.03 km from a city



Launch Success Count for all Sites



The site with the most success launches is KSC LC-39A (41.7% of the successfully landed launches), whereas CCAFS SLC-40 is the one with the smallest amount.

Highest Launch Success Ratio Site



The site with the most success launches is ratio KSC LC-39A (76.9%).

It was the most represented on the last slide too, so this site seems to have a noticeable correlation with the outcome result.

Payload vs. Launch Outcome for all Sites



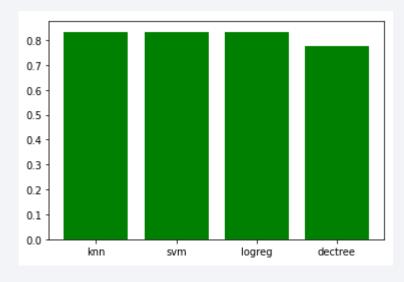
For the Payload range from 1000 to 8500, the results range goes from 1300 to less than 7000 kg of payload.

The V1.1 Booster tends to fail more.

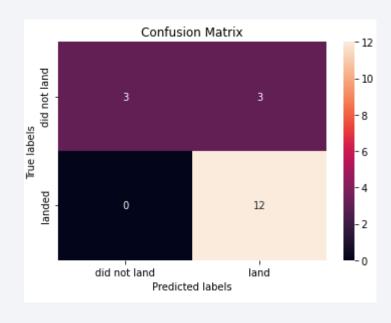


Classification Accuracy

The KNN, SVM, and Logistic Regression has an equivalent accuracy of 83.34% on the testing set with the optimized parameters.



Confusion Matrix



All the successfully landed launches have been well classified, whereas 3 of the 6 failures have been classified as success.

Conclusions

- The lighter the payloads are, the higher the success rate is.
- The results are getting better with time, the rate of success may still increase in the next coming years.
- KSC LC-39A launch site has the best overall success rate (76.9%).
- ES-L1, GEO, HEO and especially SSO are the orbits with the smallest failure rate.
- KNN, SVM, and Logistic Regression are the best models from the ones tested.

Appendix

- A testing datasets have been created and exported to CSV format
- All the code files are available on my GitHub for more information

