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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.

Section 1

Methodology

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

Data Collection

- Data collection was done using get request to the SpaceX API.
- Next, we decoded the response content as a JSON using .json() function call
- Turned 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 and formatting.
- Github : https://github.com/furygump/DS-PROJECT/

1. Get request for rocket launch data using API

In [6]:
```
spacex_url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"
```

In [7]:
```
response = requests.get(spacex_url)
```

2. Use json_normalize method to convert json result to dataframe

In [12]:
```
# Use json_normalize method to convert the json result into a dataframe

# decode response content as json
static_json_df = res.json()
```

In [13]:
```
# apply json_normalize
data = pd.json_normalize(static_json_df)
```

3. We then performed data cleaning and filling in the missing values

In [30]:
```
rows = data_falcon9['PayloadMass'].values.tolist()[0]

df_rows = pd.DataFrame(rows)
df_rows = df_rows.replace(np.nan, PayloadMass)

data_falcon9['PayloadMass'][0] = df_rows.values
data_falcon9
```

Data Collection - Scraping

- We did a WebScraping on the Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup
- We parsed the table and converted it into a pandas DataFrame.
- Github: https://github.com/furygump/DS-PROJECT/

1. Apply HTTP Get method to request the Falcon 9 rocket launch page

In [4]:
```
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
```

Out[5]:
```
200
```

2. Create a BeautifulSoup object from the HTML response

In [6]:
```
# 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

In [7]:
```
# Use soup.title attribute
soup.title
```

Out[7]:
```
<title>List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches - Wikipedia</title>
```

3. Extract all column names from the HTML table header

In [10]:
```
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) > 0`) into a list called column_names

element = soup.find_all('th')
for row in range(len(element)):
    try:
        name = extract_column_from_header(element[row])
        if (name is not None and len(name) > 0):
            column_names.append(name)
    except:
        pass
```

4. Create a dataframe by parsing the launch HTML tables
5. Export data to csv

Data Wrangling

- We performed exploratory data analysis and determined the training sets.
- We calculated the number of launches at each site, and the number and occurrence of each orbits
- We created landing Outcome label from Outcome column and exported the results to a csv file.
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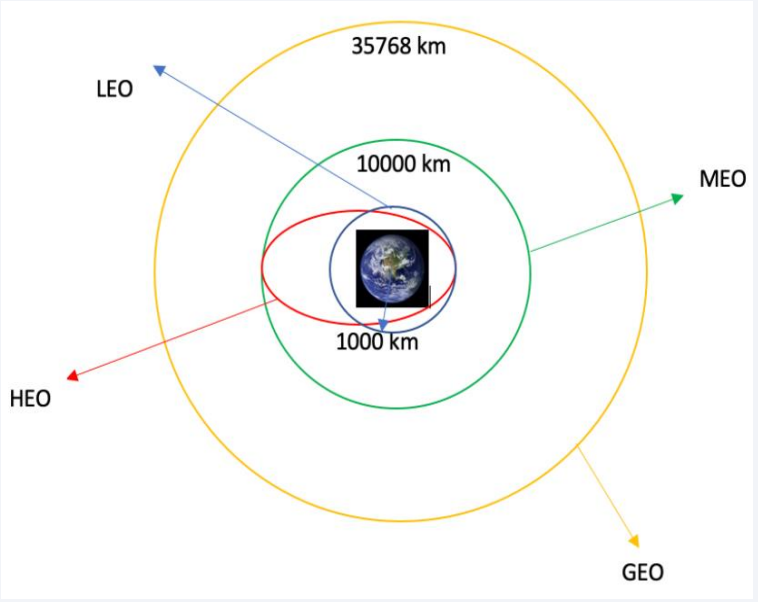
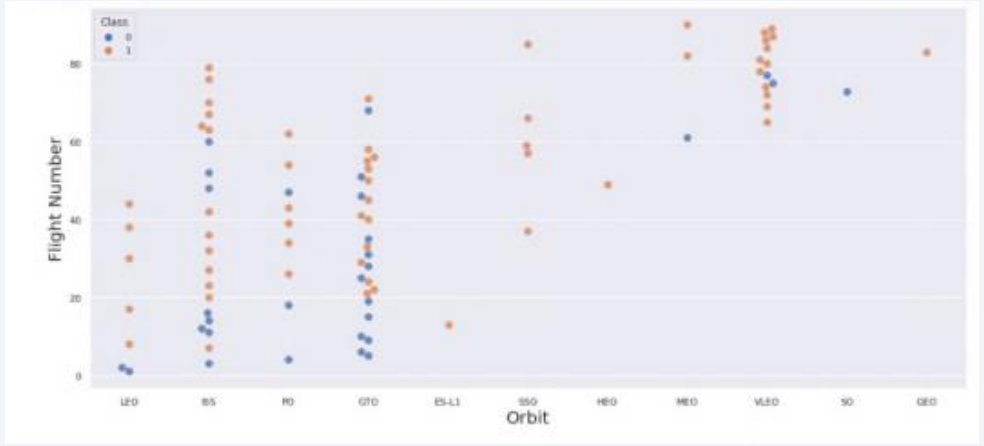
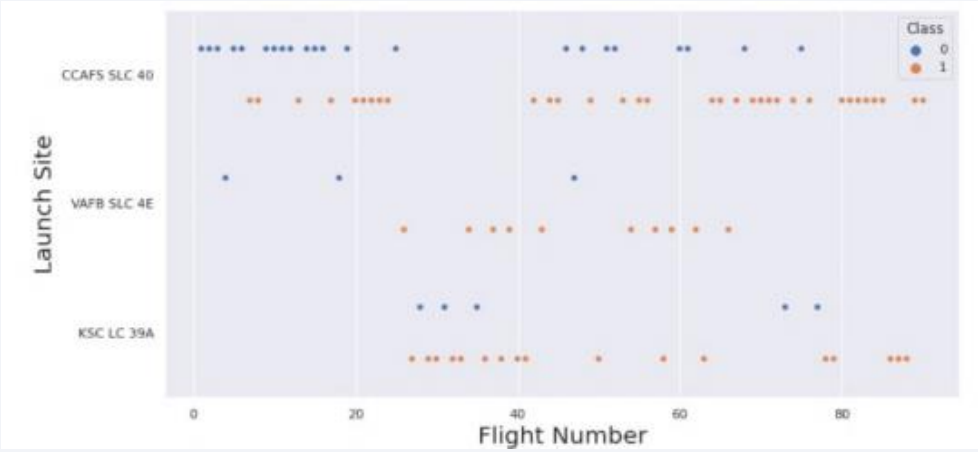


EDA with Data Visualization

We first started by using scatter graph to find the relationship between the attributes such as between:

- Payload and Flight Number.
- Flight Number and Launch Site.
- Payload and Launch Site.
- Flight Number and Orbit Type.
- Payload and Orbit Type.





Scatter plots show dependency of attributes on each other. Once a pattern is determined from the graphs. It's very easy to see which factors affecting the most to the success of the landing outcomes.

EDA with Data Visualization

- Once we get a hint of the relationships using scatter plot. We will then use further visualization tools such as bar graph and line plots graph for further analysis.
- Bar graphs is one of the easiest way to interpret the relationship between the attributes. In this case, we will use the bar graph to determine which orbits have the highest probability of success.
- We then use the line graph to show a trends or pattern of the attribute over time which in this case, is used for see the launch success yearly trend.
- We then use Feature Engineering to be used in success prediction in the future module by created the dummy variables to categorical columns.
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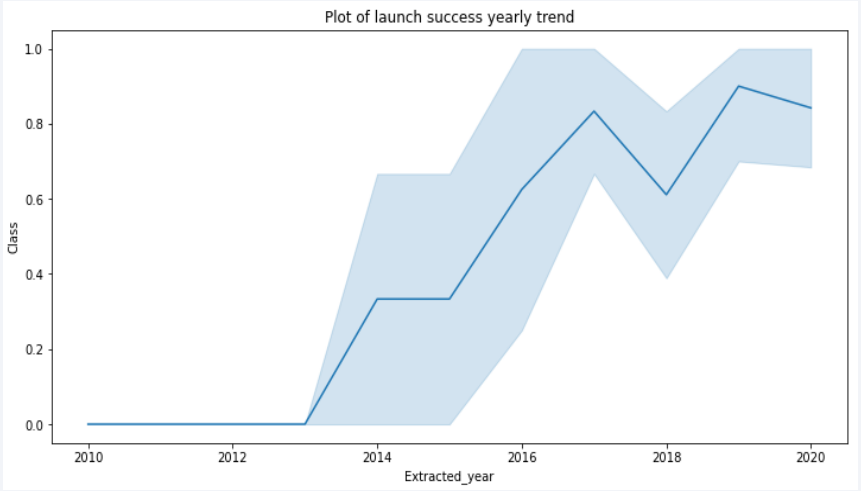

EDA with SQL

We loaded the SpaceX dataset into IBM DB2 and Connected via SQLAlchemy and IBM_DB_SA into our Notebook and explored the dataset

Using SQL, we had performed many queries to get better understanding of the dataset, Ex:

- Displaying the names of the launch sites.

- Displaying 5 records where launch sites begin with the string ‘CCA’.

- Displaying the total payload mass carried by booster launched by NASA (CRS).

- Displaying the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1.

- Listing the date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was achieved.

- Listing the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000.

- Listing the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes.

- Listing the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass.

- Listing the failed landing_outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch sites names for in year 2015.

- Rank the count of landing outcomes or success between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20, in descending order

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- We marked all launch sites, and added map objects such as markers, circles, lines to mark the success or failure of launches for each site on the folium map.
- We assigned the feature launch outcomes (failure or success) to class 0 and 1.i.e., 0 for failure, and 1 for success.
- Using the color-labeled marker clusters, we identified which launch sites have relatively high success rate.
- We calculated the distances between a launch site to its proximities. We answered some question for instance:
    - • How close the launch sites with railways, highways and coastlines?
    - • How close the launch sites with nearby cities?
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Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- We built an interactive dashboard with Plotly dash
- We plotted pie charts showing the total launches by a certain sites
- We plotted scatter graph showing the relationship with Outcome and Payload_Mass (Kg) for the different booster version.
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Predictive Analysis (Classification)

Building the Model

- Load the dataset into NumPy and Pandas
- Transform the data and then split into training and test datasets
- Decide which type of ML to use
- set the parameters and algorithms to GridSearchCV and fit it to dataset.

Evaluating the Model

- Check the accuracy for each model
- Get tuned hyperparameters for each type of algorithms.
- plot the confusion matrix.

Improving the Model

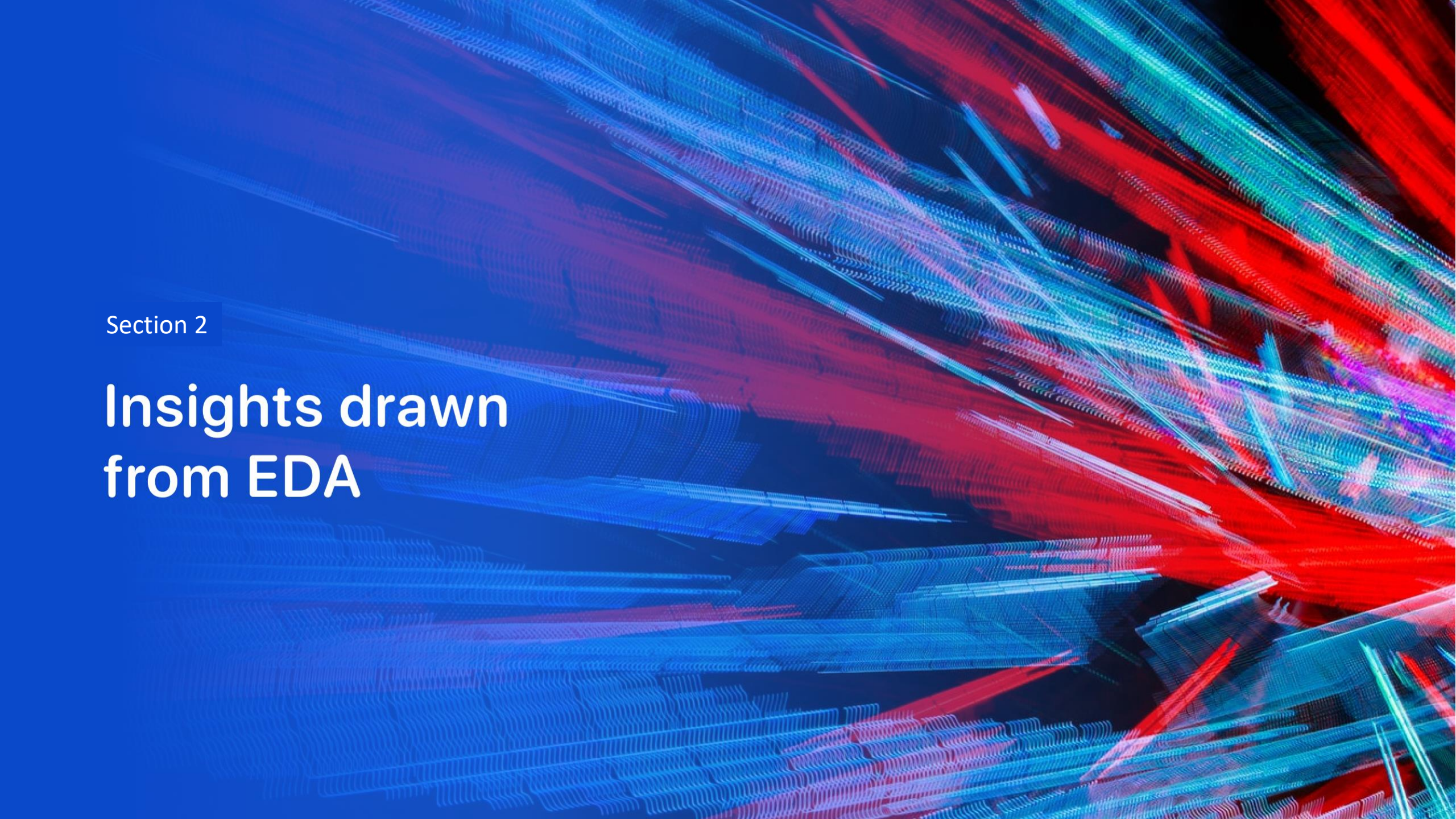
- Use Feature Engineering and Algorithm Tuning

Find the Best Model

- The model with the best accuracy score will be the best performing model.

Results

- Exploratory data analysis results
- Interactive analytics demo in screenshots
- Predictive analysis results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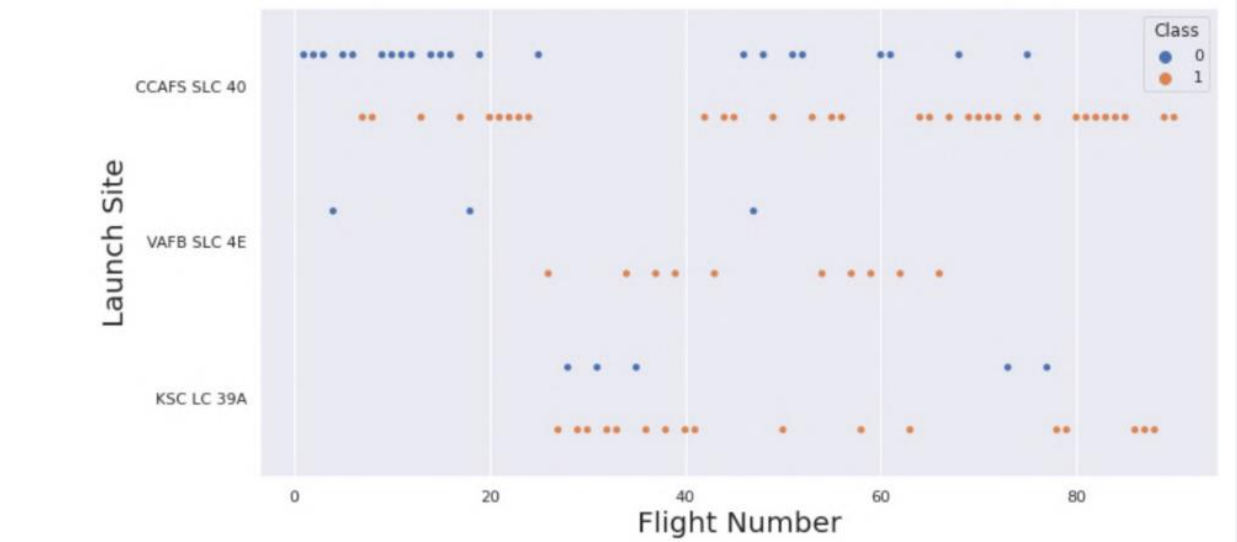
Insights drawn from EDA

Flight Number vs. Launch Site

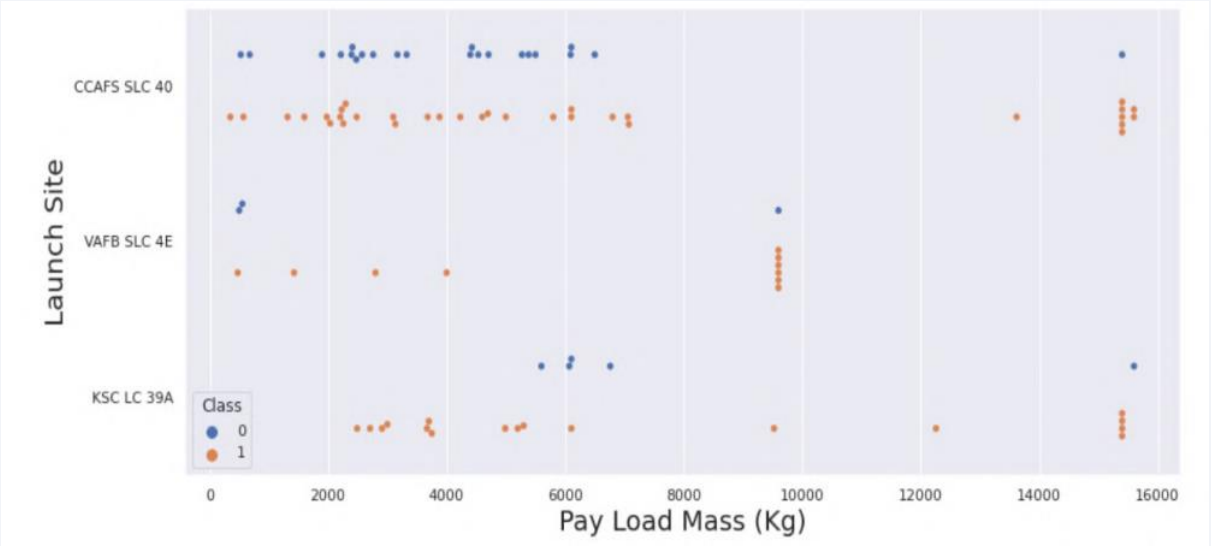
- **This scatter plot shows that the larger the flights amount of the launch site, the greater the the success rate will be.**
- **However, site CCAFS SLC40 shows the least pattern of this.**



Payload vs. Launch Site

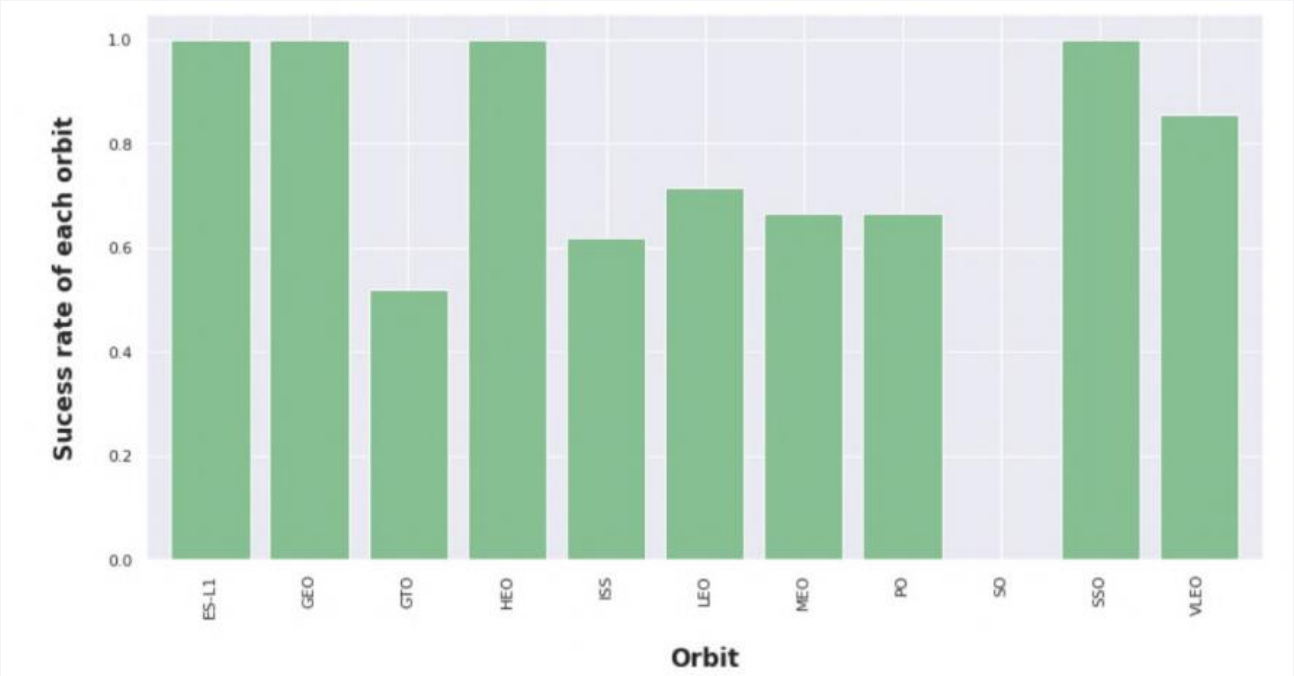
- **This scatter plot shows once the pay load mass is greater than 7000kg, the probability of the success rate will be highly increased.**

- **However, there is no clear pattern to say the launch site is dependent to the pay load mass for the success rate.**



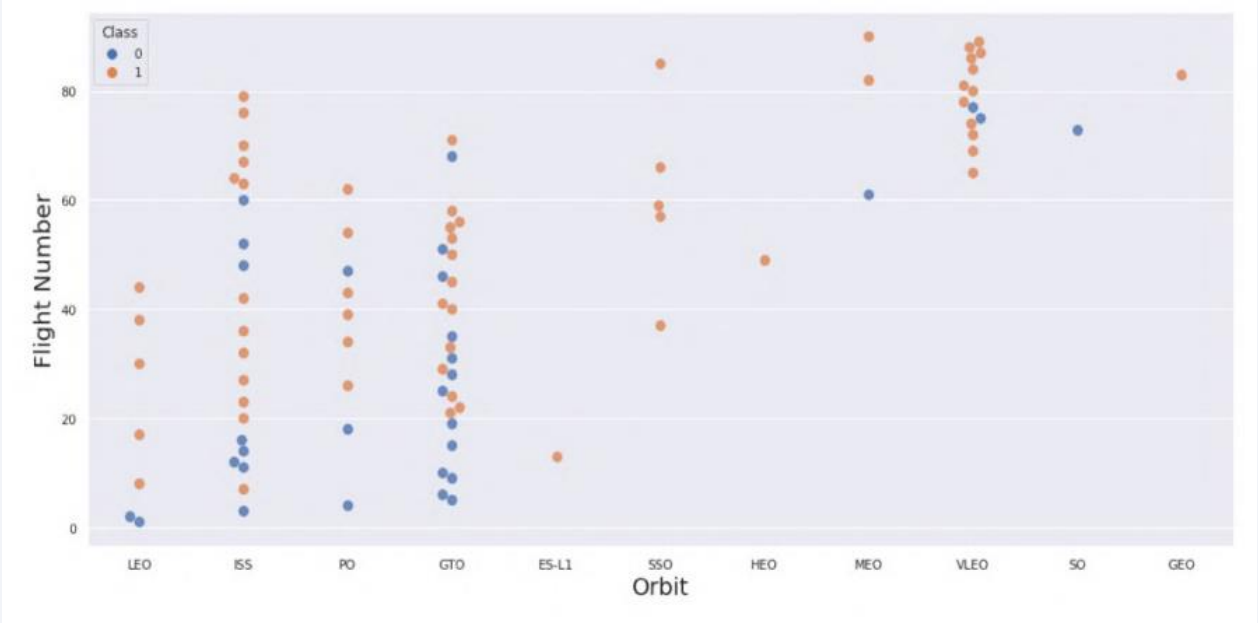
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

- This figure depicted the possibility of the orbits to influences the landing outcomes as some orbits has 100% success rate such as SSO, HEO, GEO AND ES-L1 while SO orbit produced 0% rate of success
- However, deeper analysis show that some of this orbits has only 1 occurrence such as GEO, SO, HEO and ES-L1 which mean this data need more dataset to see pattern or trend before we draw any conclusion.



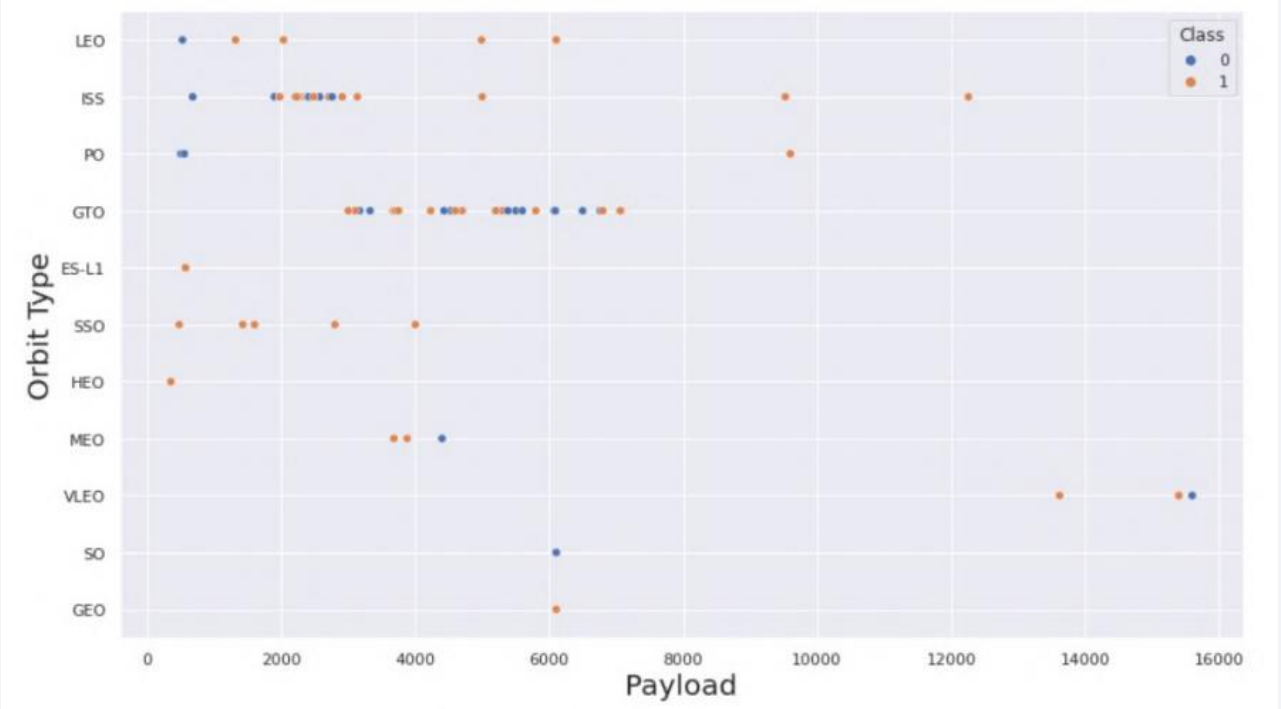
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

- **This scatter plot shows that generally, the larger the flight number on each orbits, the greater the success rate (especially LEO orbit) except for GTO orbit which depicts no relationship between both attributes.**
- **Orbit that only has 1 occurrence should also be excluded from above statement as it's needed more dataset.**



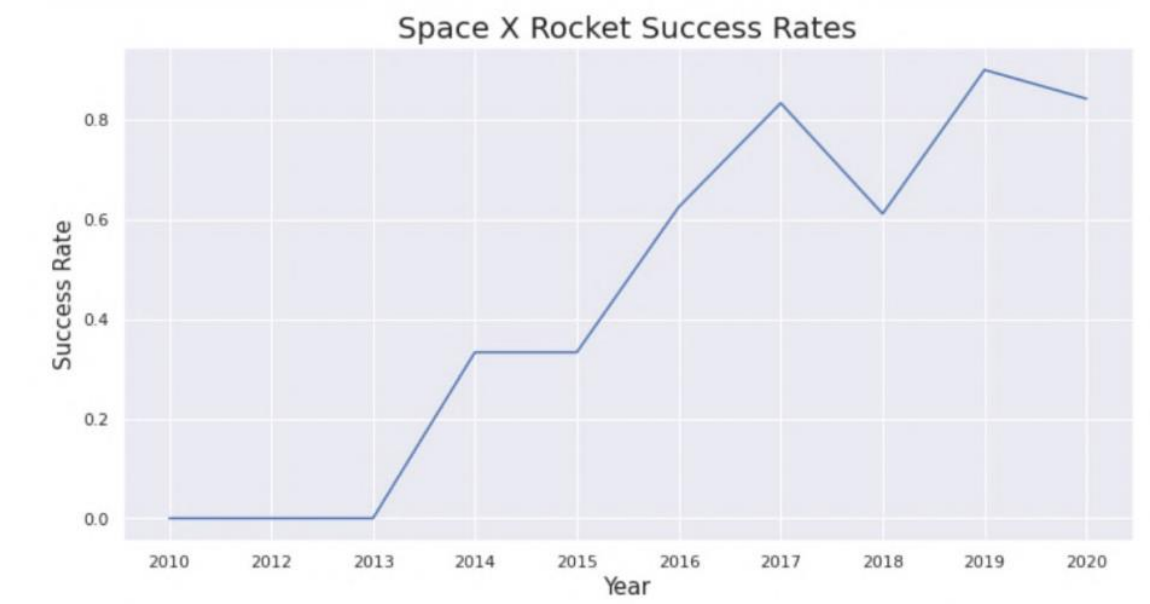
Payload vs. Orbit Type

- Heavier payload has positive impact on LEO, ISS and P0 orbit. However, it has negative impact on MEO and VLEO orbit.
- GTO orbit seem to depict no relation between the attributes.
- Meanwhile, again, SO, GEO and HEO orbit need more dataset to see any pattern or trend.



Launch Success Yearly Trend

- This figures clearly depicted and increasing trend from the year 2013 until 2020.
- If this trend continue for the next year onward. The success rate will steadily increase until reaching 1/100% success rate.



All Launch Site Names

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

```
%sql select distinct(LAUNCH_SITE) from SPACEXTBL
```

```
 * ibm_db_sa://pkc99167:***@9938aec0-8105-433e-8bf9-0fbb7e483086.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32459/bludb
Done.
```

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

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

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

In [7]:
```
%sql select * from SPACEXTBL where LAUNCH_SITE like 'CCA%' limit 5
```

```
 * ibm_db_sa://pkc99167:***@9938aec0-8105-433e-8bf9-0fbb7e483086.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32459/bludb
Done.
```

Out[7]:

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

Total Payload Mass

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

```
In [9]: %sql select sum(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) from SPACEXTBL where CUSTOMER = 'NASA (CRS)'
 * ibm_db_sa://pkc99167:***@9938aec0-8105-433e-8bf9-0fbb7e483086.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32459/bludb
Done.
Out[9]:    1
       45596
```

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

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

```
In [14]: %sql select avg(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) from SPACEXTBL where BOOSTER_VERSION = 'F9 v1.1'

 * ibm_db_sa://pkc99167:***@9938aec0-8105-433e-8bf9-0fbb7e483086.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32459/blu
db
Done.

Out[14]:
1
2928
```

First Successful Ground Landing Date

- We use the min() function to find the result We observed that the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad was 22nd December 2015

```
In [13]: %sql select min(DATE) from SPACEXTBL where Landing__Outcome = 'Success (ground pad)'
 * ibm_db_sa://pkc99167:***@9938aec0-8105-433e-8bf9-0fbb7e483086.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32459/bludb
Done.
Out[13]:
1
2015-12-22
```

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

- 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

In [16]:
```
%sql select BOOSTER_VERSION from SPACEXTBL where Landing__Outcome = 'Success (drone ship)' and PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ > 4000 and PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ < 6000
```

```
 * ibm_db_sa://pkc99167:***@9938aec0-8105-433e-8bf9-0fbb7e483086.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32459/bludb
Done.
```

Out[16]:

booster_version
F9 FT B1022
F9 FT B1026
F9 FT B1021.2
F9 FT B1031.2

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

- We used wildcard like '%' to filter for WHERE MissionOutcome was a success or a failure.

```
In [18]: %sql select count(MISSION_OUTCOME) from SPACEXTBL where MISSION_OUTCOME = 'Success' or MISSION_OUTCOME = 'Failure (in flight)'
 * ibm_db_sa://pkc99167:***@9938aec0-8105-433e-8bf9-0fbb7e483086.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32459/bludb
Done.
Out[18]:  1
          100
```

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.

List the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass. Use a subquery

In [19]:
```
%sql select BOOSTER_VERSION from SPACEXTBL where PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ = (select max(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) from SPACEXTBL)
```

```
 * ibm_db_sa://pkc99167:***@9938aec0-8105-433e-8bf9-0fbb7e483086.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32459/bludb
Done.
```

Out[19]:

booster_version
F9 B5 B1048.4
F9 B5 B1049.4
F9 B5 B1051.3
F9 B5 B1056.4
F9 B5 B1048.5
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

2015 Launch Records

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

In [30]:
```
%sql select * from SPACEXTBL where Landing__Outcome like 'Failure%' and (DATE between '2015-01-01' and '2015-12-31') order by date desc
```

```
 * ibm_db_sa://pkc99167:***@9938aec0-8105-433e-8bf9-0fbb7e483086.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32459/bludb
Done.
```

Out[30]:

DATE	time__utc_	booster_version	launch_site	payload	payload_mass__kg_	orbit	customer	mission_outcome	landing__outcome
2015-04-14	20:10:00	F9 v1.1 B1015	CCAFS LC-40	SpaceX CRS-6	1898	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Failure (drone ship)
2015-01-10	09:47:00	F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40	SpaceX CRS-5	2395	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Failure (drone ship)

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

- 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.

In [21]:
```
%sql select * from SPACEXTBL where Landing__Outcome like 'Success%' and (DATE between '2010-06-04' and '2017-03-20') order by date desc
```

```
 * ibm_db_sa://pkc99167:***@9938aec0-8105-433e-8bf9-0fbb7e483086.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32459/bludb
Done.
```

Out[21]:

DATE	time__utc_	booster_version	launch_site	payload	payload_mass__kg_	orbit	customer	mission_outcome	landing__outcome
2017-02-19	14:39:00	F9 FT B1031.1	KSC LC-39A	SpaceX CRS-10	2490	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Success (ground pad)
2017-01-14	17:54:00	F9 FT B1029.1	VAFB SLC-4E	Iridium NEXT 1	9600	Polar LEO	Iridium Communications	Success	Success (drone ship)
2016-08-14	05:26:00	F9 FT B1026	CCAFS LC-40	JCSAT-16	4600	GTO	SKY Perfect JSAT Group	Success	Success (drone ship)
2016-07-18	04:45:00	F9 FT B1025.1	CCAFS LC-40	SpaceX CRS-9	2257	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Success (ground pad)
2016-05-27	21:39:00	F9 FT B1023.1	CCAFS LC-40	Thaicom 8	3100	GTO	Thaicom	Success	Success (drone ship)
2016-05-06	05:21:00	F9 FT B1022	CCAFS LC-40	JCSAT-14	4696	GTO	SKY Perfect JSAT Group	Success	Success (drone ship)
2016-04-08	20:43:00	F9 FT B1021.1	CCAFS LC-40	SpaceX CRS-8	3136	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Success (drone ship)
2015-12-22	01:29:00	F9 FT B1019	CCAFS LC-40	OG2 Mission 2 11 Orbcomm-OG2 satellites	2034	LEO	Orbcomm	Success	Success (ground pad)

Section 3

Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

<Folium Map Screenshot 1>

- We can see that all the SpaceX launch sites are located inside the United States

<Folium Map Screenshot 2>

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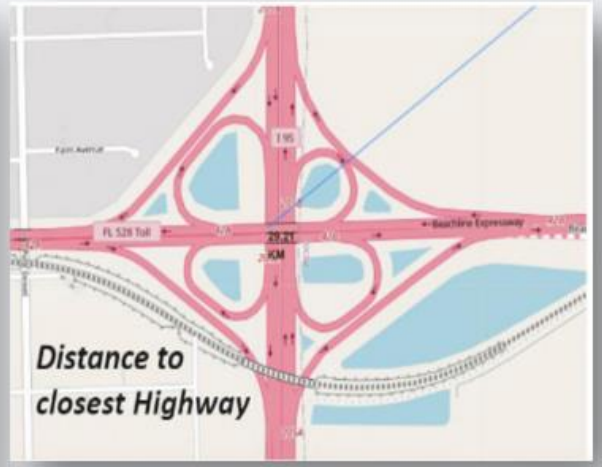
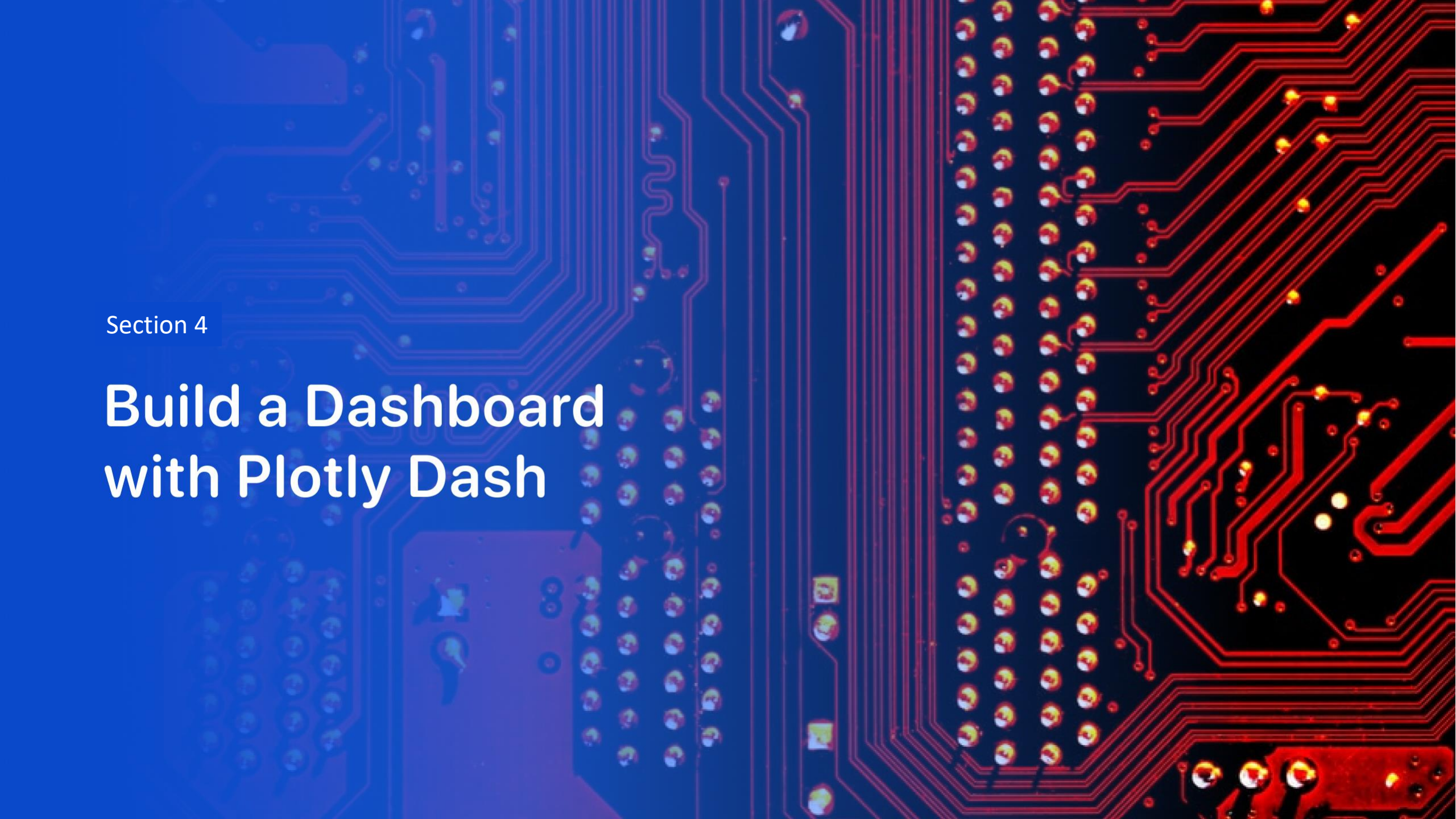
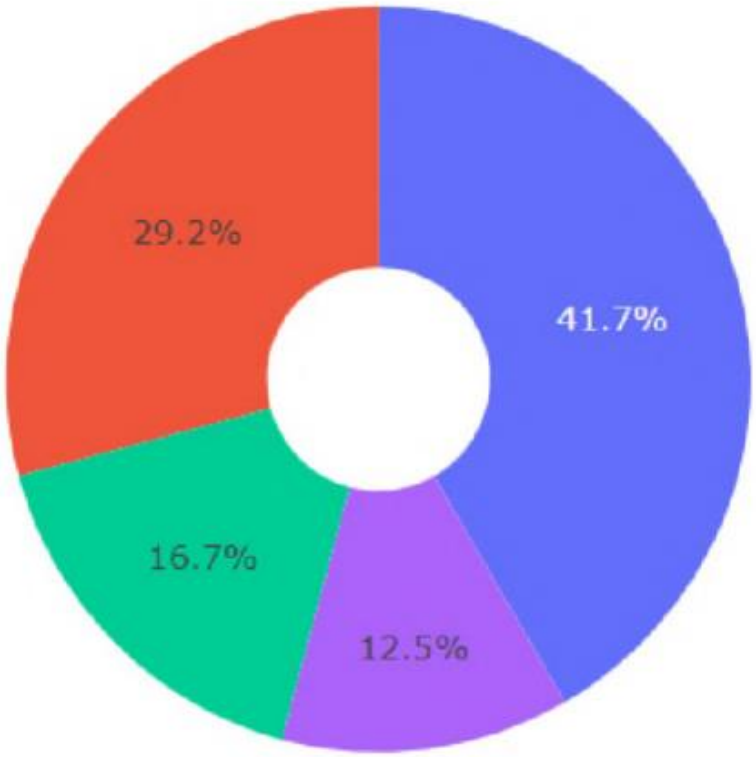


- Are launch sites in close proximity to railways? No
- Are launch sites in close proximity to highways? No
- Are launch sites in close proximity to coastline? Yes
- Do launch sites keep certain distance away from cities? Yes


Section 4
Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

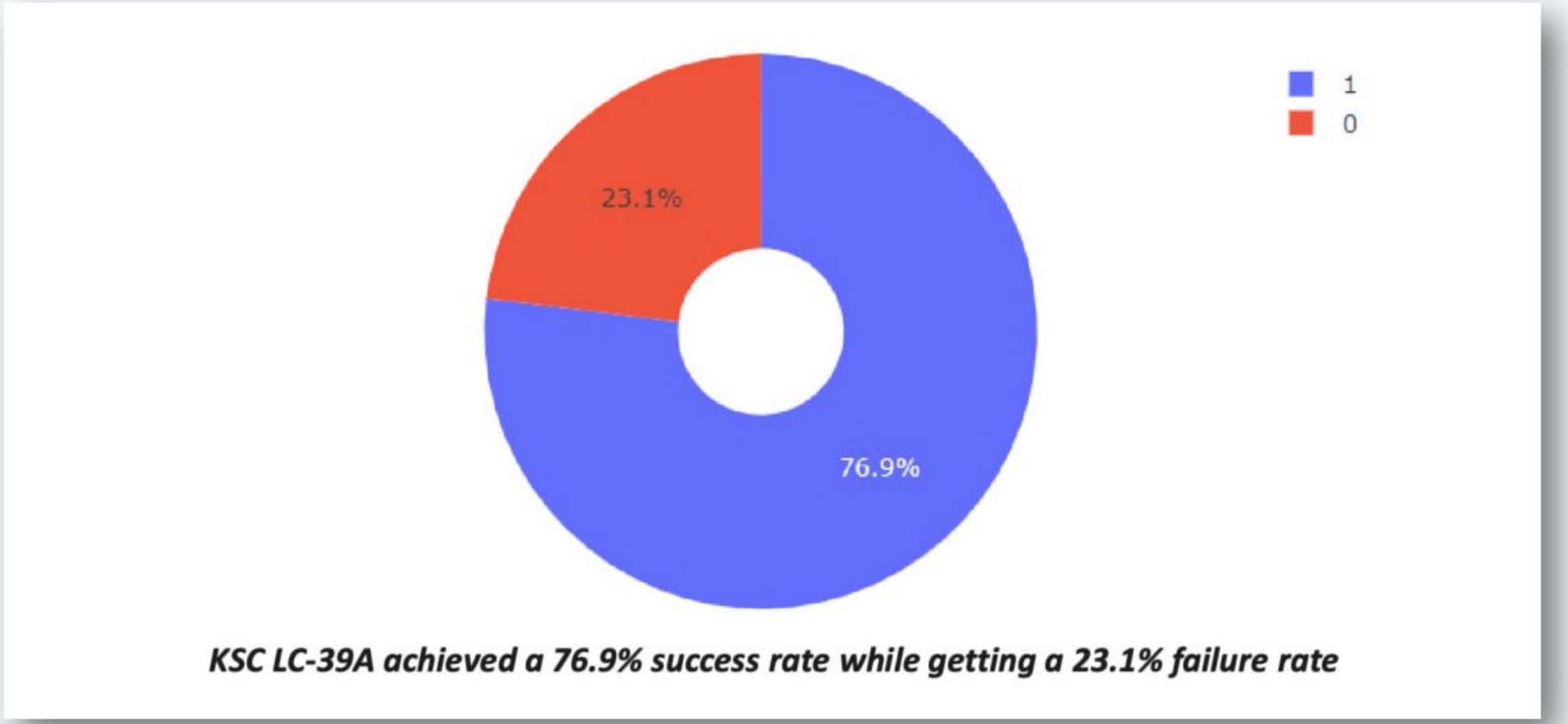
The success percentage by each sites.



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

We can see that KSC LC-39A had the most successful launches from all the sites

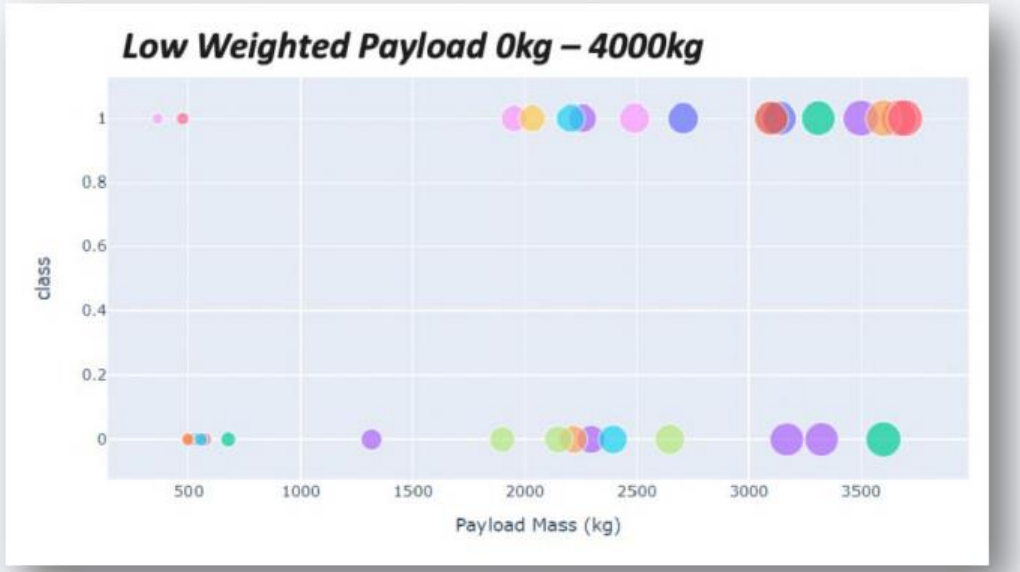
The highest launch-success ratio

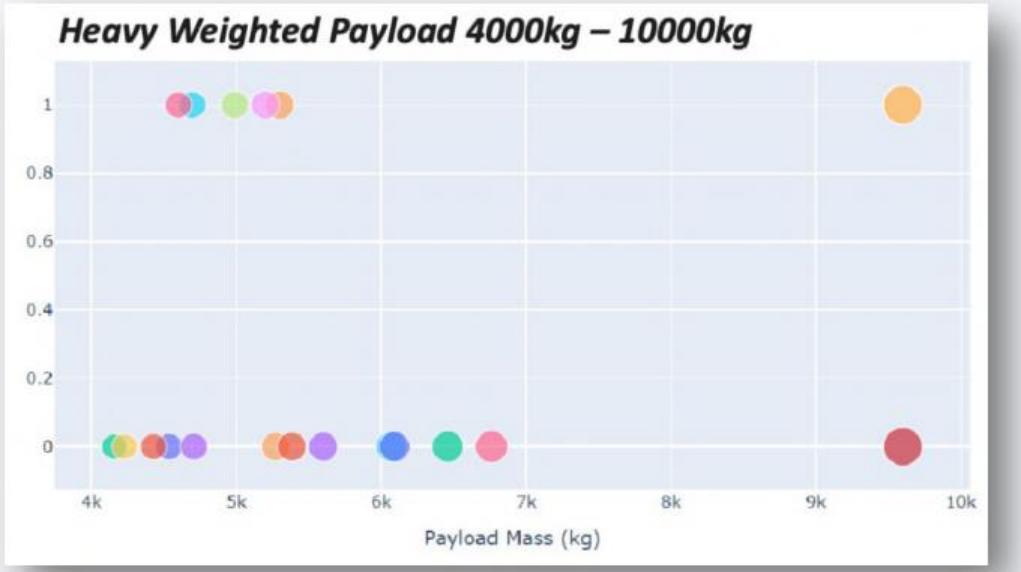


KSC LC-39A achieved a 76.9% success rate while getting a 23.1% failure rate

Payload vs Launch Outcome

We can see that all the success rate for low weighted payload is higher than heavy weighted payload





Section 5

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

Classification Accuracy

- As we can see, by using the code as below: we could identify that the best algorithm to be the Tree Algorithm which have the highest classification accuracy.

```
algorithms = {'KNN':knn_cv.best_score_,'Tree':tree_cv.best_score_,'LogisticRegression':logreg_cv.best_score_}
bestalgorithm = max(algorithms, key=algorithms.get)
print('Best Algorithm is',bestalgorithm,'with a score of',algorithms[bestalgorithm])
if bestalgorithm == 'Tree':
    print('Best Params is :',tree_cv.best_params_)
if bestalgorithm == 'KNN':
    print('Best Params is :',knn_cv.best_params_)
if bestalgorithm == 'LogisticRegression':
    print('Best Params is :',logreg_cv.best_params_)
```

```
Best Algorithm is Tree with a score of 0.9017857142857142
Best Params is : {'criterion': 'entropy', 'max_depth': 10, 'max_features': 'auto', 'min_samples_leaf': 2, 'min_sampl
es_split': 10, 'splitter': 'random'}
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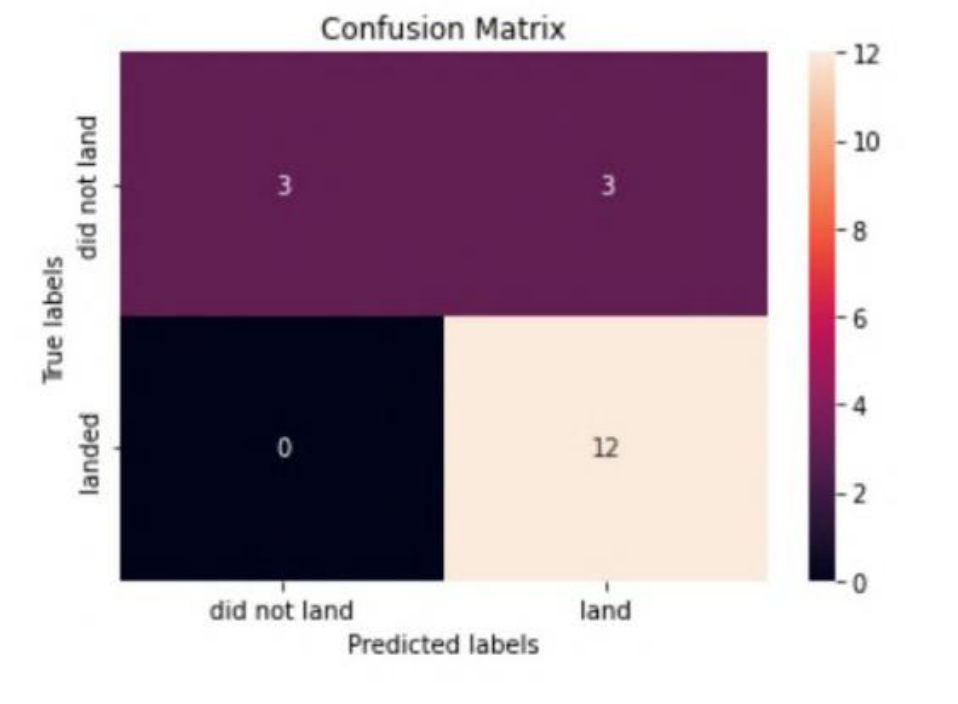
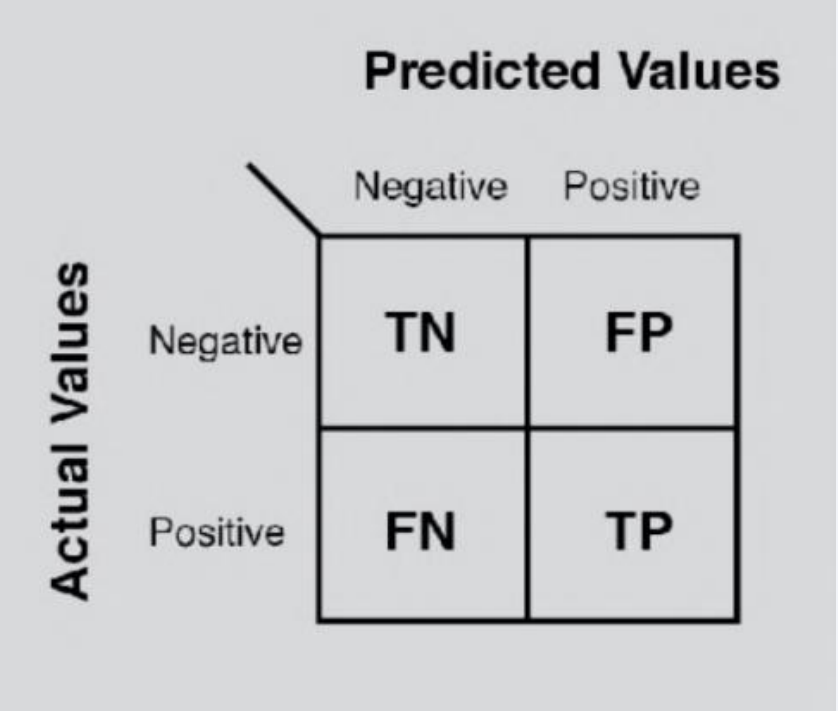
Confusion Matrix

- 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 Tree Classifier Algorithm is the best Machine Learning approach for this dataset.
- The low weighted payloads (which define as 4000kg and below) performed better than the heavy weighted payloads.
- Starting from the year 2013, the success rate for SpaceX launches is increased, directly proportional time in years to 2020, which it will eventually perfect the launches in the future.
- KSC LC-39A have the most successful launches of any sites; 76.9%
- SSO orbit have the most success rate; 100% and more than 1 occurrence.

Thank you!