

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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### **Executive Summary**

#### Summary of methodologies

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- Data Wrangling
- Exploratory Analysis Using SQL
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- Data Visualization with Folium
- Interactive Dashboard with PlotlyDash
- Machine Learning Prediction (Classification)

#### Summary of all results

- Exploratory Analysis Results
- Interactive Visualization Results
- Predictive Analysis Results

#### Introduction

#### Project background and context

- The commercial space age is here, companies are making space travel affordable for everyone. Virgin Galactic is providing suborbital spaceflights. Rocket Lab is a small satellite provider. Blue Origin manufactures suborbital and orbital reusable rockets. Perhaps the most successful is SpaceX.
- The second stage of a rocket helps bring the payload to orbit, but the first stage does most of the work and is much larger.
- 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.
- The Space Y company would like to compete with SpaceX founded by Billionaire industrialist EllonMusk.

#### Problems you want to find answers

• If we can determine the first stage of landing, we can determine the cost of a launch.



# Methodology

#### **Executive Summary**

- Data collection methodology:
  - From SpaceX REST API
  - With Web Scraping from Wiki page
- Perform data wrangling
  - Dealing with Missing Values, Feature Engineering, Scaling, Dummies Encoding
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
  - Sklearn LogisticRegression, SVM, DecisionTreeClassifier, KNeighborsClassifier algorithms
  - GrigSearch parameters tuning, 10 folds Cross Validation

#### **Data Collection**

#### There are 2 way to collect data:

- SpaceX REST API
  - Performed GET request to the SpaceX REST API various endpoints starting with
  - https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/
  - Responses in the form of a list of JSON objects were gathered
  - JSON format was converted into Pandas DataFrameusing the json\_normalizefunction

#### Web Scraping

- Performed an HTTP GET request to the Falcon9 Launch HTML Wiki page
- Used Python BeautifulSouppackage to web scrape HTML tables from response
- Parsed the data from HTML tables and converted into a Pandas DataFrame

# Data Collection – SpaceX API

GET request to SpaceX RESTAPI

```
spacex_url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/
past"
response = requests.get(spacex_url)
content = response.json()
data = pd.json_normalize (content)
```

https://github.com/hiepdv/My-submission-Applied-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/042e2c1c8dbd607237683e88fd9035addc18d9cd/Hiepdv-DataCollectionAPI.ipynb

# **Data Collection - Scraping**

 Web Scraping Using Python BeautifulSoup

```
static_url="https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title
=List_of_Falcon_9_and_Falcon_Heavy_launches&oldid
=1027686922"
response = requests.get(static_url).text
```

soup = BeautifulSoup(response,'html.parser')

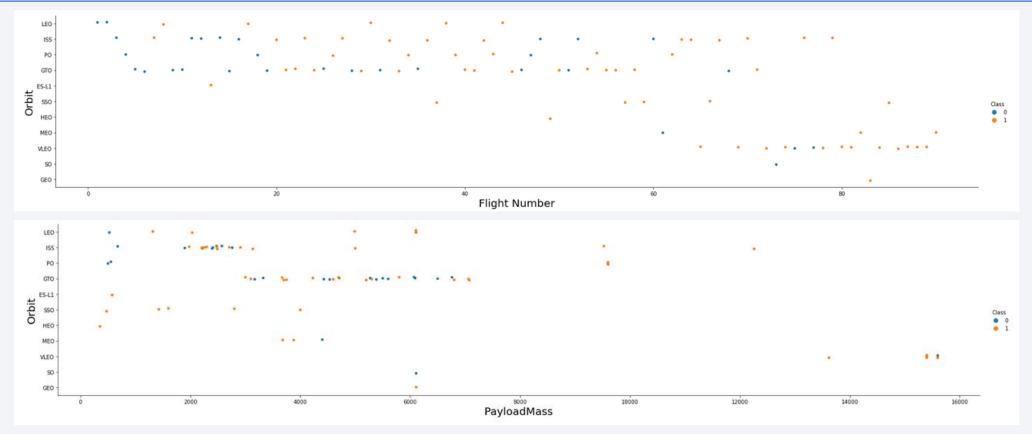
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# **Data Wrangling**

- Payload Mass missing values replaced with mean value (SpaceX API code)
- Calculated the percentage of the missing values in each attribute
- Identified which columns are numerical and categorical
- Determined the number of launches on each site
- Determine the number and occurrence of each orbit
- Created a landing outcome label from Outcome column

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#### **EDA** with Data Visualization



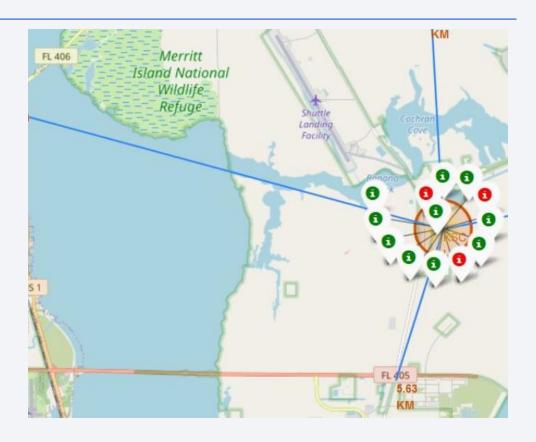
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#### EDA with SQL

```
select unique(LAUNCH SITE) from SPACEXTBL
select *from SPACEXTBL where LAUNCH SITE like'CCA%' limit(5)
select SUM(payload mass kg )from SPACEXTBLwherecustomer='NASA (CRS)'
select avg(payload_mass__kg_)from SPACEXTBLwhere booster_versionlike 'F9 v1.1'
select min(DATE)from SPACEXTBLwhere Landing_Outcome= 'Success (ground pad)'
select booster versionfrom SPACEXTBLwhere Landing Outcome= 'Success (drone ship)'and
payload mass kg between 4000 and 6000
selectmission outcome, count (mission outcome) from SPACEXTBL group by mission outcome
select booster versionfrom SPACEXTBLwhere payload mass kg in (select max(payload mass kg )
from SPACEXTBL)
select Landing Outcome, booster version, launch site from SPACEXTBL where Landing Outcome =
'Failure (drone ship)'and EXTRACT(YEAR FROM DATE) = 2015
select Landing Outcome, count(Landing Outcome) as totalfrom SPACEXTBLwhere DATE between
'2010-06-04'and '2017-03-20'group byLanding Outcomeorder bytotal DESC
```

### Build an Interactive Map with Folium

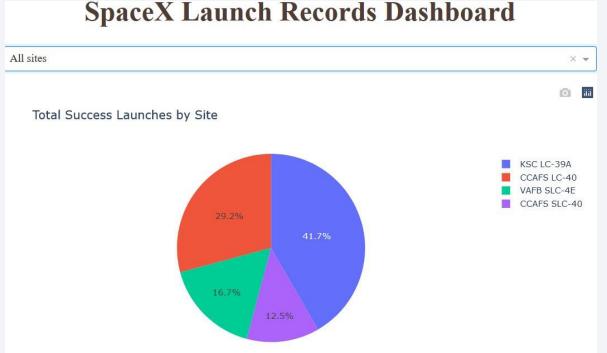
- The launch success rate may depend on many factors such as payload mass, orbit type.
- It may also depend on the location and proximities of a launch site, i.e., the initial position of rocket trajectories.
- The goal of geo plots is to analyzing the existing launch site locations, discover the factors involved in finding an optimal location for building a launch site.

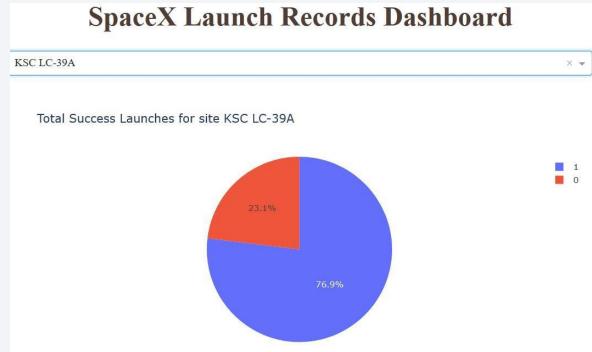


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# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

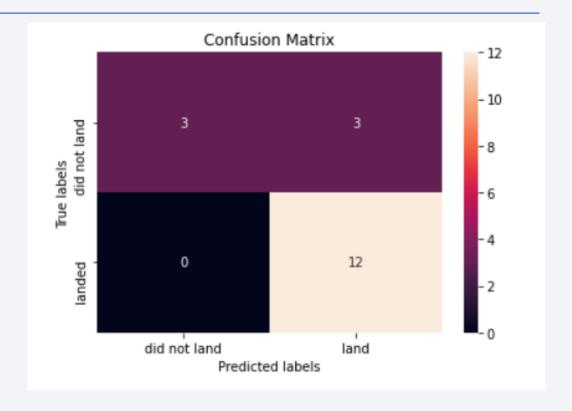
• Interactive visualization of successful launches per site/ all sites





# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- KNN, SVM, DecisionTree, LogisticRegression models with tuned hyperparameters by GridSearchCV were built and evaluated by 10 folds Cross Validation.
- The highest predictive outcome of 83.3% have KNN, SVM and LogisticRegression algoriths



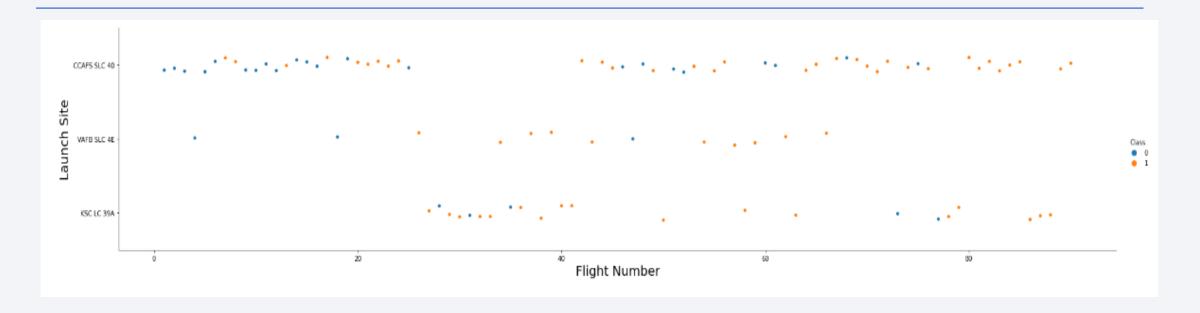
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#### Results

- The most successful rate have ES L1, GEO, HEO, SSO orbits
- Since 2013 successful launches rate increased from 0 to 90%
- For Booster Version FT the optimal payload mass seems to be roughly between 2000 and 4000
- The highest rate of successful launches has KSC LC 38A site
- KNeighbourClassifier, LogisticRegression and SVM
- performed the best on test dataset (83.3% accuracy)

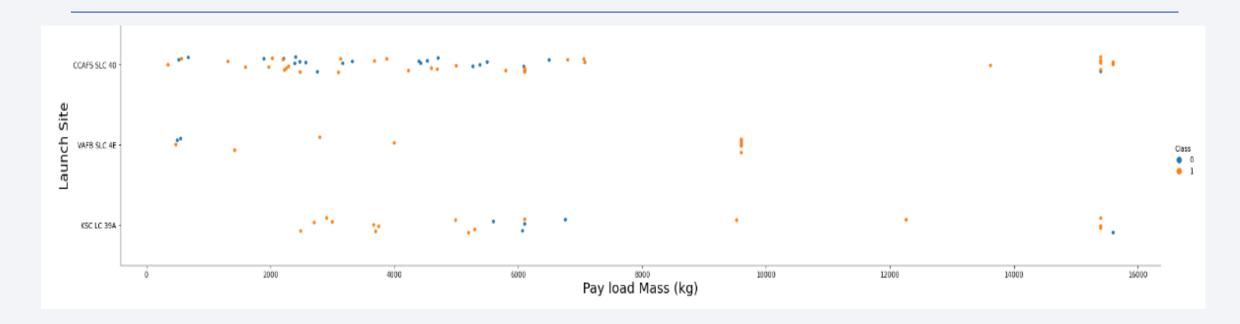


### Flight Number vs. Launch Site



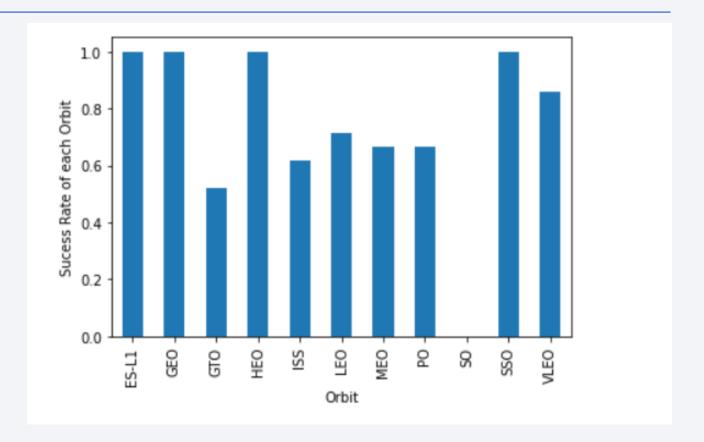
Main Launche Site is CCAFS SLC 40 site

# Payload vs. Launch Site

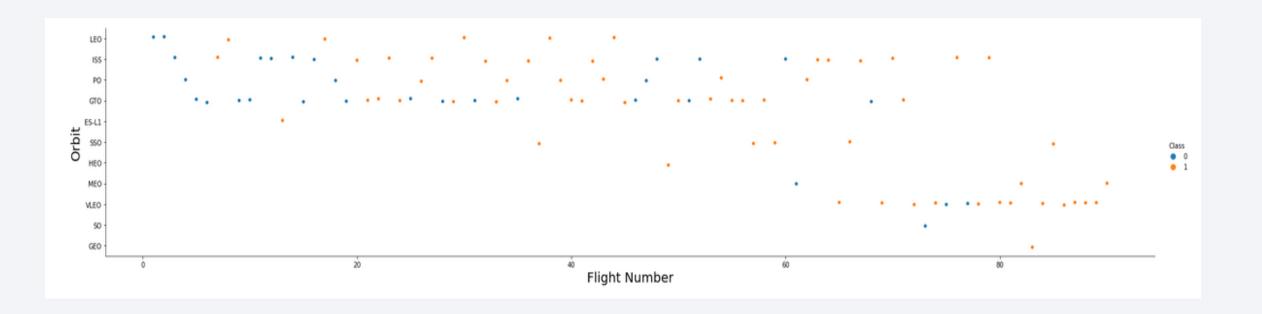


# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

 4 orbits with high rate of success are ES=L1, GEO, HEO, SSO orbits launches

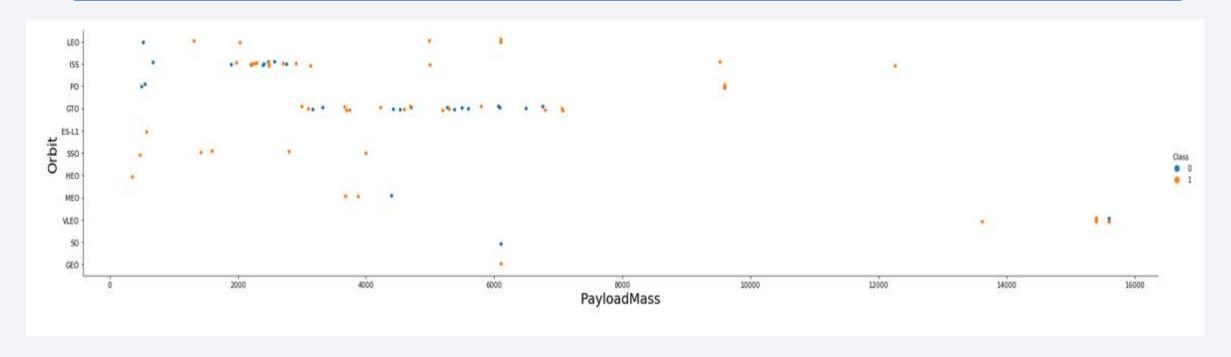


# Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



VLEO orbit gain the highest popularity among all types

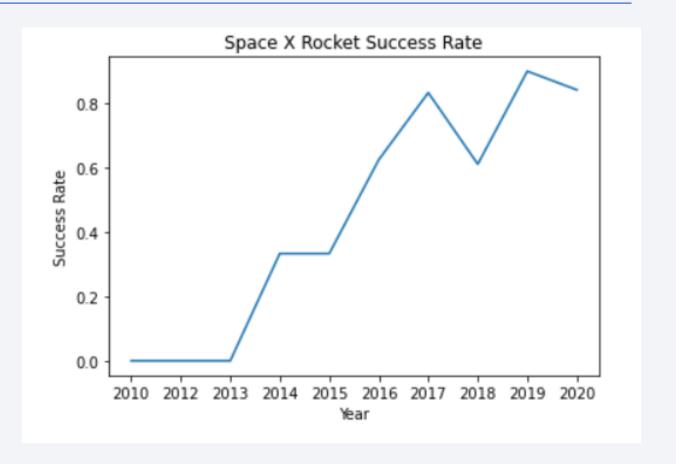
# Payload vs. Orbit Type



- There are mostly two clusters of payload mass
- ~1500 3200 (ISS orbit)
- ~2200 7200 (GTO orbit)

# Launch Success Yearly Trend

 From 2013, success rate improved rapidly and kept high rate from 2017



#### All Launch Site Names

• There are 4 Launch Site

CCAFS LC-40

CCAFS SLC-40

KSC LC-39A

VAFB SLC-4E

| Launch Site  | Lat                                 | Long  |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| CCAFS LC-40  | 28.562302                           | -80.577356  |
| CCAFS SLC-40 | 28.563197                           | -80.576820  |
| KSC LC-39A   | 28.573255                           | -80.646895  |
| VAFB SLC-4E  | 34.632834                           | -120.610746   |
|              | CCAFS LC-40 CCAFS SLC-40 KSC LC-39A | CCAFS LC-40 28.562302  CCAFS SLC-40 28.563197  KSC LC-39A 28.573255 |

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

| Date       | Time<br>(UTC) | Booster_Version | Launch_Site    | Payload   | PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_ | Orbit        | Customer              | Mission_Outcome | Landing<br>_Outcome    |
|------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|---|------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| 04-06-2010 | 18:45:00      | F9 v1.0 B0003   | CCAFS<br>LC-40 | Dragon<br>Spacecraft<br>Qualification<br>Unit                             | 0                | LEO          | SpaceX                | Success         | Failure<br>(parachute) |
| 08-12-2010 | 15:43:00      | F9 v1.0 B0004   | CCAFS<br>LC-40 | Dragon demo<br>flight C1, two<br>CubeSats,<br>barrel of<br>Brouere cheese | 0                | LEO<br>(ISS) | NASA<br>(COTS)<br>NRO | Success         | Failure<br>(parachute) |
| 22-05-2012 | 07:44:00      | F9 v1.0 B0005   | CCAFS<br>LC-40 | Dragon demo<br>flight C2  | 525              | LEO<br>(ISS) | NASA<br>(COTS)        | Success         | No attempt             |
| 08-10-2012 | 00:35:00      | F9 v1.0 B0006   | CCAFS<br>LC-40 | SpaceX CRS-1  | 500              | LEO<br>(ISS) | NASA<br>(CRS)         | Success         | No attempt             |
| 01-03-2013 | 15:10:00      | F9 v1.0 B0007   | CCAFS<br>LC-40 | SpaceX CRS-2  | 677              | LEO<br>(ISS) | NASA<br>(CRS)         | Success         | No attempt             |

%sql

SELECT \* FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "LAUNCH\_SITE" LIKE '%CCA%' LIMIT 5

# **Total Payload Mass**

```
%sql SELECT SUM("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_") FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "CUSTOMER" = 'NASA (CRS)'
  * sqlite://my_data1.db

Done.

SUM("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_")

45596
```

# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

```
%sql SELECT AVG("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_") FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "BOOSTER_VERSION" LIKE '%F9 v1.1%'

* sqlite://my_data1.db

Done.

AVG("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_")

2534.6666666666665
```

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

```
%sql SELECT MIN("DATE") FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "Landing _Outcome" LIKE '%Success%'
  * sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.
1111111
MIN("DATE")
   01-05-2017
```

#### Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

```
%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.
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Booster_Version
     F9 FT B1022
     F9 FT B1026
   F9 FT B1021.2
   F9 FT B1031.2
```

#### Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

```
%sql SELECT (SELECT COUNT("MISSION_OUTCOME") FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "MISSION_OUTCOME" LIKE '%Success%') AS SUCCESS, \
  (SELECT COUNT("MISSION_OUTCOME") FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "MISSION_OUTCOME" LIKE '%Failure%') AS FAILURE
  * sqlite:///my_data1.db

Done.

SUCCESS FAILURE

100 1
```

# **Boosters Carried Maximum Payload**

```
%sql SELECT DISTINCT "BOOSTER_VERSION" FROM SPACEXTBL \
WHERE "PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_" = (SELECT max("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_") FROM SPACEXTBL)
 * 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
   F9 B5 B1051.4
  F9 B5 B1049.5
  F9 B5 B1060.2
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  F9 B5 B1049.7
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#### 2015 Launch Records

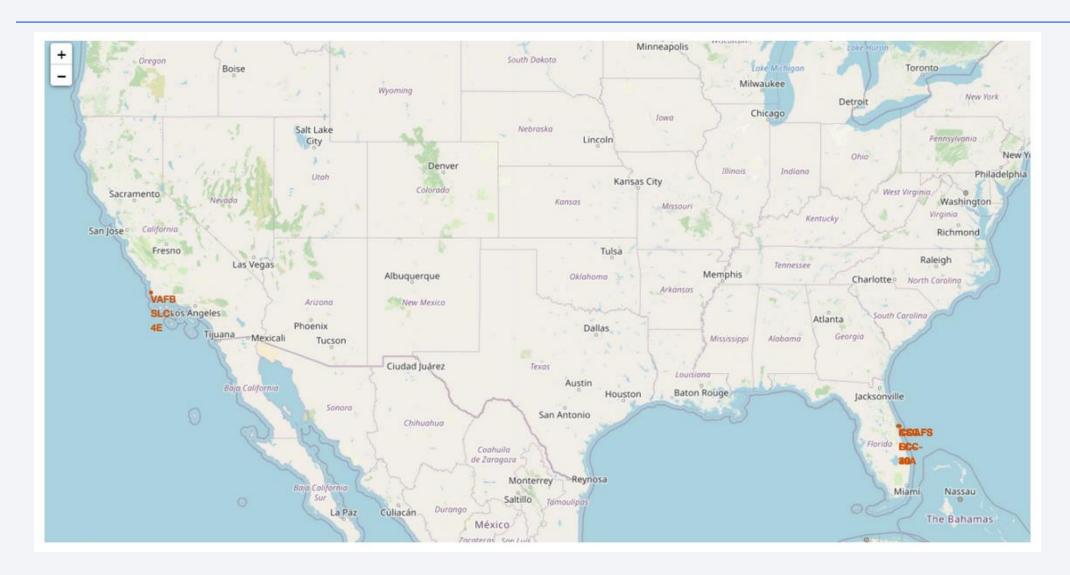
```
%sql SELECT substr("DATE", 4, 2) AS MONTH, "BOOSTER_VERSION", "LAUNCH_SITE" FROM SPACEXTBL\
WHERE "LANDING OUTCOME" = 'Failure (drone ship)' and substr("DATE",7,4) = '2015'
 * sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
MONTH Booster_Version Launch_Site
     01 F9 v1.1 B1012 CCAFS LC-40
     04 F9 v1.1 B1015 CCAFS LC-40
```

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

```
%sql SELECT "LANDING _OUTCOME", COUNT("LANDING _OUTCOME") FROM SPACEXTBL\
WHERE "DATE" >= '04-06-2010' and "DATE" <= '20-03-2017' and "LANDING _OUTCOME" LIKE '%Success%'\
GROUP BY "LANDING OUTCOME" \
ORDER BY COUNT("LANDING _OUTCOME") DESC ;
 * sqlite:///my data1.db
Done.
Landing _Outcome COUNT("LANDING _OUTCOME")
           Success
                                            20
 Success (drone ship)
Success (ground pad)
```

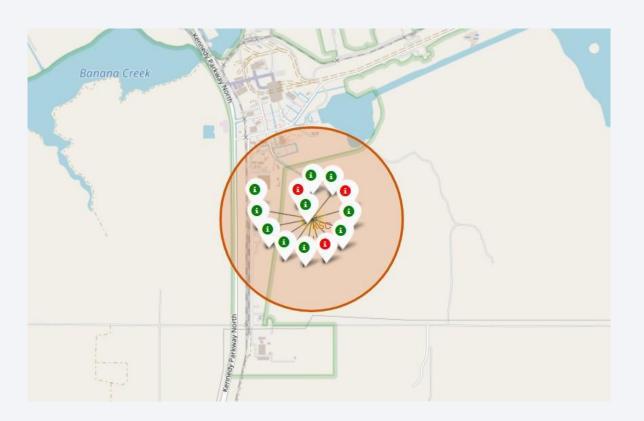


# <Folium Map Screenshot 1>



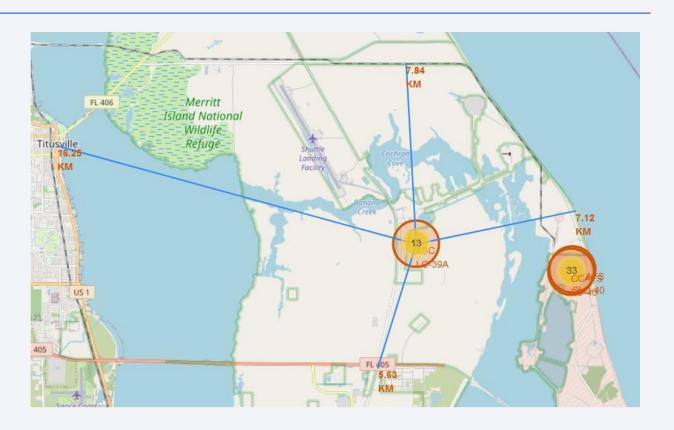
# <Folium Map Screenshot 2>

 KSC LC-39A is the most successful site with 10 of 13 successful launches outcomes



# <Folium Map Screenshot 3>

 All sites are in a close proximity to coast line and railway (max~7km)



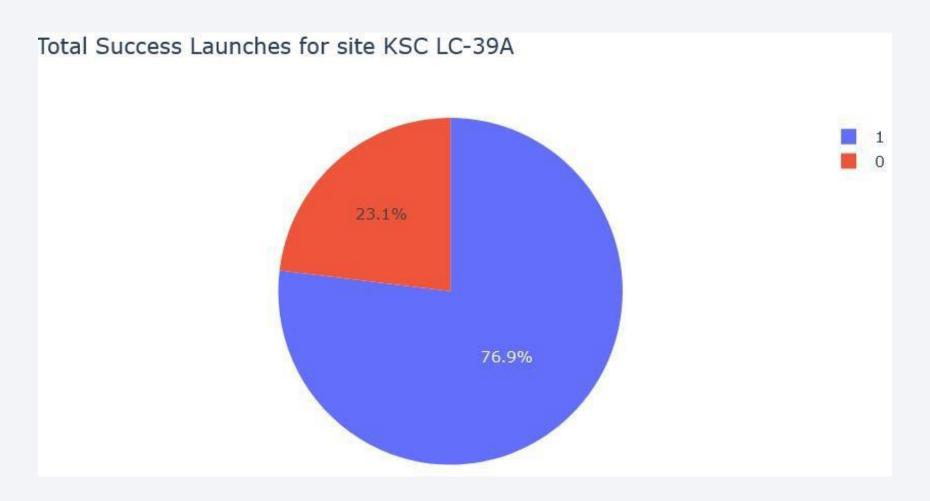


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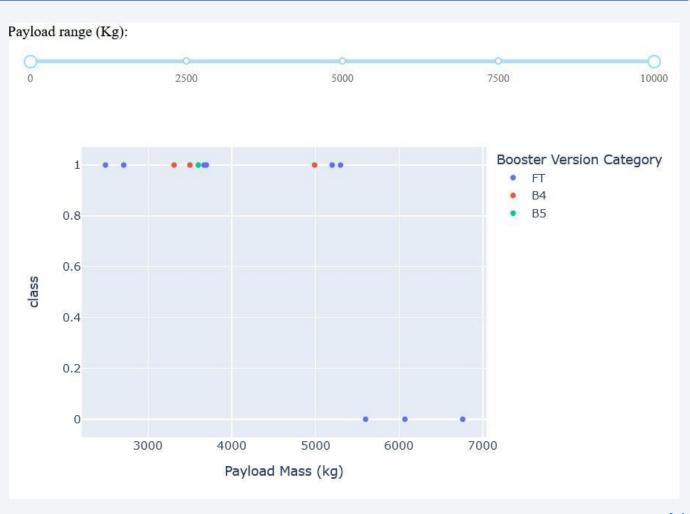
 KSC LC-39A is the higher success rate



#### < Dashboard Screenshot 2>



#### < Dashboard Screenshot 3>

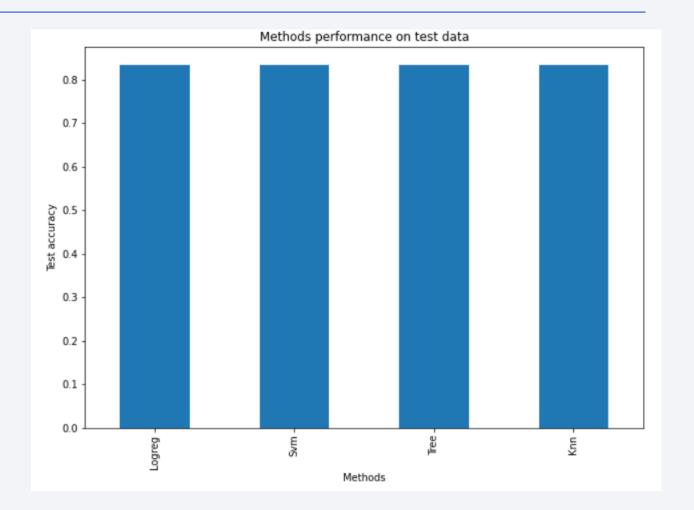




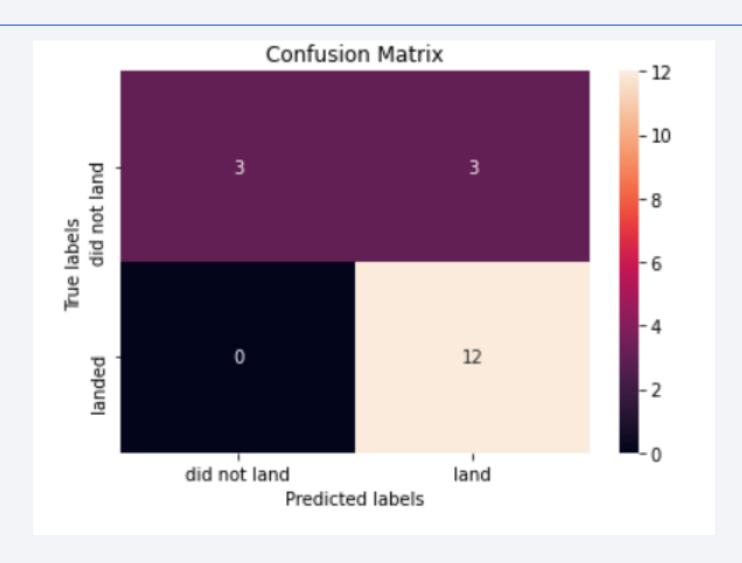
# **Classification Accuracy**

 All models have same accuracy on test dataset

|        | Accuracy Train | Accuracy Test |
|--------|----------------|---------------|
| Logreg | 0.846429       | 0.833333      |
| Svm    | 0.848214       | 0.833333      |
| Tree   | 0.876786       | 0.833333      |
| Knn    | 0.848214       | 0.833333      |
|        |                |               |



#### **Confusion Matrix**



#### **Conclusions**

- The most successful orbit type are ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO
- The most successful site is KSC LC-39A (77% success rate)
- Payload Mass lower than 5500 havechances for successful launch
- The best performed Classifier for this project are KNeighborClassifier, SVM, LogisticRegression
- Technologies are constantly developing and from the Launch Success Yearly Trend could be made conclusion that in the future rate of successful launches will continue increasing

# **Appendix**

• GitHub Repo for Capstone project

https://github.com/hiepdv/My-submission-Applied-Data-Science-Capstone

