

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

Summary of methodologies

Data Collection API:

We have collected data from public SpaceX API and by scrapping SpaceX Wikipedia page.

Created labels column 'Class' which denotes all the successful landings by:

- Data Collection with Web Scraping
- Data Wrangling

Summary of all results

We performed EDA (Exploratory Data Analysis) using SQL, visualization, folium maps, and dashboards.

- Exploratory Data Analysis using SQL
- Exploratory Data Analysis using Pandas and Matplotlib
- Interactive Visual Analytics with Folium
- Interactive Dashboard with Plotly

Machine Learning Prediction

- We standardized data and used GridSearchCVto find the best parameters for our machine learning models. We visualized the accuracy score of allmodels.
- •We used four machine learning models-Logistic Regression, Support Vector Machine (SVM), Decision Tree Classifier, and K Nearest Neighbors. All produced similar results with the accuracy rate of almost 83.33%. All models over predicted successful landings. It is clear that more data is required for a better model determination and accuracy

Introduction

Project background and context

The company SpaceY is a new rocket company. Their current main competitor is the company SpaceX, founded by Allon Musk. SpaceX is currently leading the affordable space travel, with accomplishments including sending a spacecraft to the International Space Station; sending Starlink, a satellite internet constellation providing satellite Internet access; and sending manned missions to Space. One reason SpaceX can do this is because the rocket launches are relatively inexpensive. SpaceX advertises Falcon 9 rocket launches with a cost of 62 million dollars; other providers cost upwards of 165 million dollars each. Much of the savings is because SpaceX can reuse the first stage. Sometimes the first stage doesn't land or crashes, and other times SpaceX sacrifices the first stage stage due to the mission parameters like payload, orbit, and customer, However, unlike other rocket providers, SpaceX's Falcon 9 can recover the first stage.

Problems you want to find answers

The company SpaceY wants to be more competitive with the SpaceX. In order to work towards this, information about SpaceX was gathered to determine the price of each launch, and a machine learning model was trained to predict whether SpaceX will reuse the first stage.



Methodology

Data collection methodology:

Data was collected using the SpaceX REST API, alongside Web Scraping from Wikipedia

Perform data wrangling

Data was processed by cleaning and filtering the data, as well as addressing missing values, to prepare it for data analysis

- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models

Logistic regression, support vector machine (SVM), decision tree, and k nearest neighbour (KNN) models were created, and accuracy of each model was assessed

Data Collection

- Data collection process involved a combination of API requests from Space X public API and web scraping data from a table in Space X's Wikipedia entry.
- For consistency, the data was decoded as a Json using .json() and turned it into a Pandas dataframe using .json normalize().
- The data was filtered to attain relevant information about the launch, and this extracted information was turned into a dataframe
- Data was cleaned and checked for missing values, which were filled in using the mean where necessary
- Web scraping from Wikipedia was done using BeautifulSoup to attain data for Falcon 9 launches
- A pandas data frame was created by parsing the launch information as HTML tables
- Space X API Data Columns:
- FlightNumber, Date, BoosterVersion, PayloadMass, Orbit, LaunchSite, Outcome, Flights, GridFins, Reused, Legs, LandingPad, Block, ReusedCount, Serial, Longitude, Latitude
- Wikipedia WebscrapeData Columns:
- Flight No., Launch site, Payload, PayloadMass, Orbit, Customer, Launch outcome, Version Booster, Booster landing, Date, Time

Data Collection – SpaceX API

SpaceX APIThe API used is

https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/rockets/

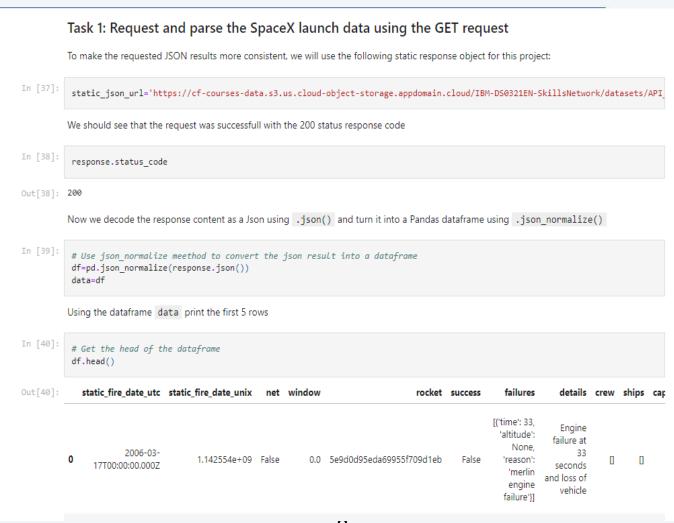
The API provides data about many types of rocket launches done by SpaceX, the data is therefore filtered to include only Falcon9 launches.

Every missing value in the data is replaced by the mean of the column that the missing value belongs to .

We end up with 90 rows or instances and 17 columns or features. The picture below shows

Here's the link to the notebook:

https://github.com/himaanisrivatsava/IBM-DataScience-professional-certification/blob/main/10.applied %20datascience%20capstone/10.1.jupyter-labs-spacex-data-collection-api.ipynb



Data Collection - Scraping

- The data is scraped fromhttps://en.wikipedia.org/w/index .php?

 title=List_of_Falcon_9_and_Heavy_
 launches&oldid=1027686922
- The website contains only the data about Falcon9 launches.
- We end up with 121 rows or instances and 11 columns or features.
- Here's the link to the full code:

https://github.com/himaanisrivatsava/IBM-DataScience-professional-certification/blob/main/10.applied%20datascience%20capstone/10.1.jupyter-labs-webscraping.ipynb

TASK 1: Request the Falcon9 Launch Wiki page from its URL

First, let's perform an HTTP GET method to request the Falcon9 Launch HTML page, as an HTTP response.

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In [6]: # use requests.get() method with the provided static_url
# assign the response to a object
response = requests.get(static_url).text
```

Create a BeautifulSoup object from the HTML response

```
In [7]: # Use BeautifulSoup() to create a BeautifulSoup object from a response text content
soup = BeautifulSoup(response, 'html.parser')
```

Print the page title to verify if the BeautifulSoup object was created properly

```
In [8]: # Use soup.title attribute
print(soup.title)
```

<title>List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches - Wikipedia</title>

TASK 2: Extract all column/variable names from the HTML table header

Next, we want to collect all relevant column names from the HTML table header

Let's try to find all tables on the wiki page first. If you need to refresh your memory about BeautifulSoup, please check the external reference link towards the end of this lab

```
In [9]:
# Use the find_all function in the BeautifulSoup object, with element type `table`
# Assign the result to a list called `html_tables`
html_tables = soup.find_all('table')
```

Starting from the third table is our target table contains the actual launch records,

Data Wrangling

We Created a training label with landing outcomes where successful = 1 & failure =0.

Outcomecolumnhastwocomponents: 'MissionOutcome' 'LandingLocation'

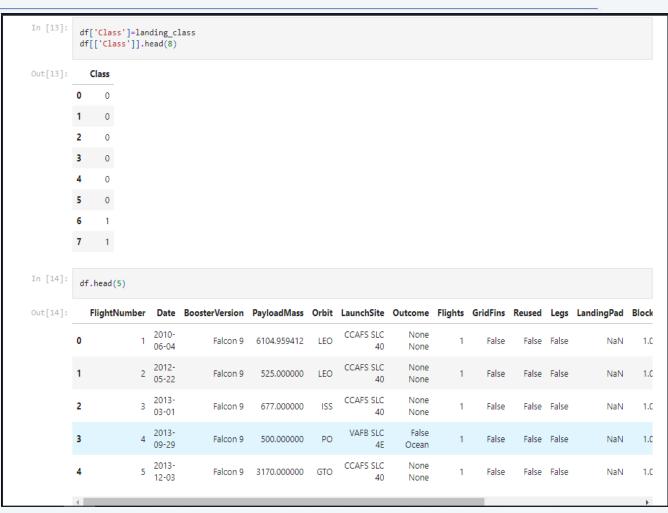
New training label column 'class' with a value of 1 if 'Mission Outcome' is True and 0 otherwise.

Value Mapping:

True ASDS, True RTLS, & True Ocean –set to ->1

None None, False ASDS, None ASDS, False Ocean, False RTLS –set to ->0

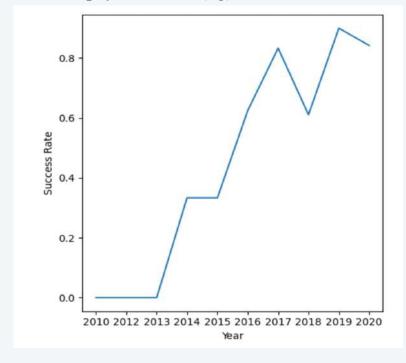
Full code at:



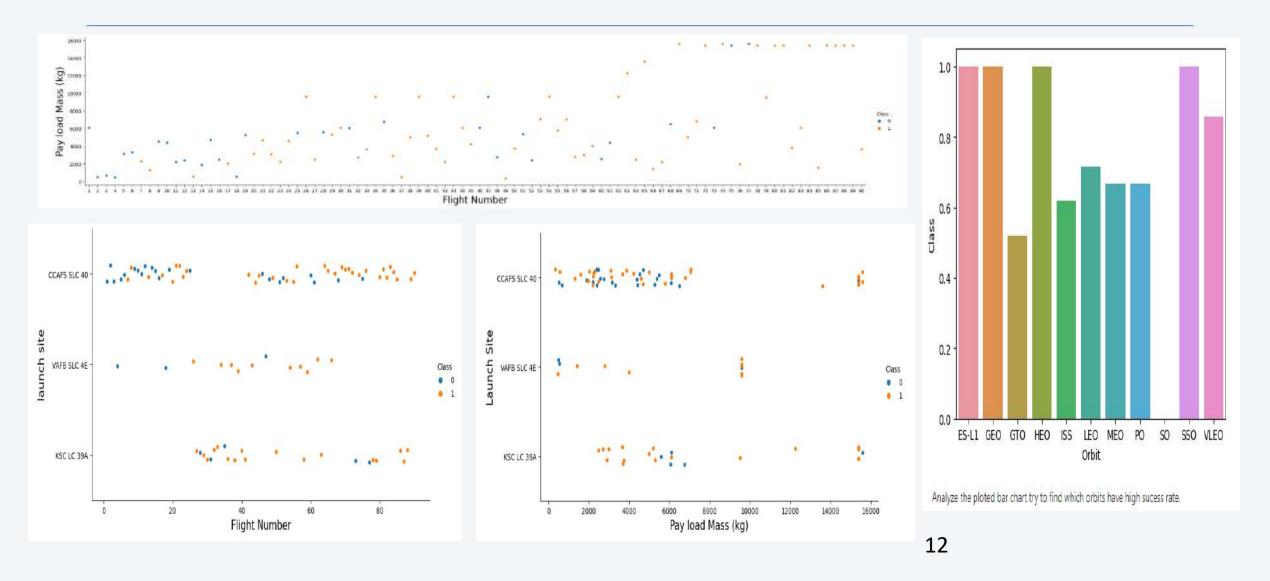
EDA with Data Visualization

- Scatterplot: Flight Number vs Payload Mass (kg):To see how the Flight Number (indicating the continuous launch attempts) and Payload variables affect the launch outcome
- Scatterplot: Flight Number vs Launch Site: To see how the Flight and Launch Site affect the launch outcome
- Scatterplot: Payload vs Launch Site: To observe if there is any relationship between launch sites and their payload mass (kg)
- Bar chart: Orbit Type vs Success Rate
- Visually check if there are any relationship between success rate and orbit type
- Scatterplot: Flight Number vs Orbit type
- To see for each orbit if there's any relationship between Flight Number and Orbit type
- Scatterplot: Payload vs Orbit Type
- To see the relationship between Payload and Orbit type
- Line graph: Year vs Success Rate
- To see the success rate change over time

Full code:



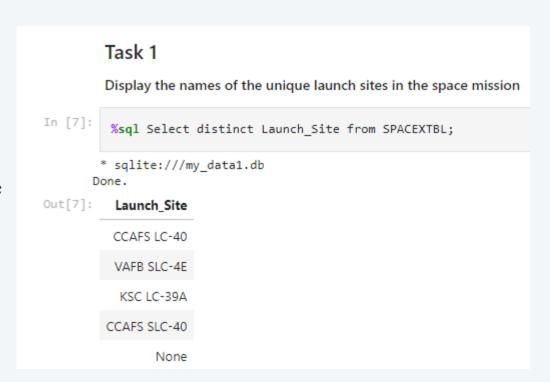
EDA with Data Visualization



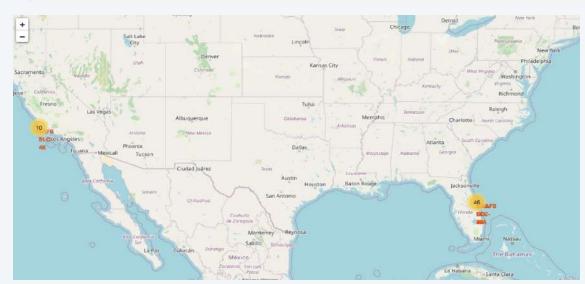
EDA with SQL

- 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 achieved
- List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000kg but less than 6000kg
- List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
- List the names of the booster versions which have carried the maximum payload mass
- List the records which will display the month names, failure landing outcomes in drone ship, booster versions, and launch site for the months in year 2015
- Rank the count of successful landing outcomes between the date 04-06-2010 and 20-03-2017 in descending order

Full Code: https://github.com/himaanisrivatsava/IBM-DataScience-professional-certification/blob/main/10.applied%20datascience%20capstone/10.2.2jupyter-labs-eda-sql-coursera_sqllite.ipynb



Build an Interactive Map with Folium





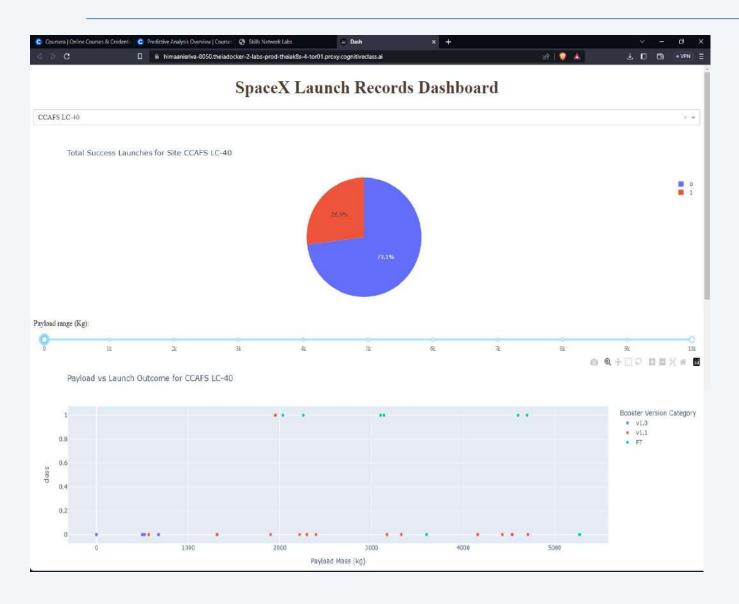
- Folium maps mark Launch Sites, successful and unsuccessful landings, and a proximity example to key locations: Railway, Highway, Coast, andCity.
- This allows us to understand why launch sites may be located where they are. Also visualizes successful landings relative to location.

• Full notebook:

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Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash



Built a dropdown menu with options to select all launch sites or one at a time

- Included a pie chart graphing the total success launches
- To compare which sites had the best success rates and what those rates were
- Included a slider to allow selection of the payload mass range (0kg to 10000kg)
- Included a scatter plot graphing the payload mass vs the success rate by

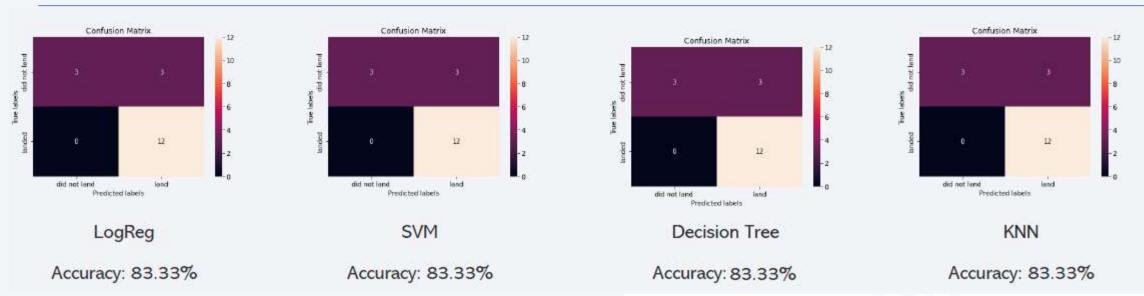
booster version

• To see the relationship between payload mass and launch success

Full Code:

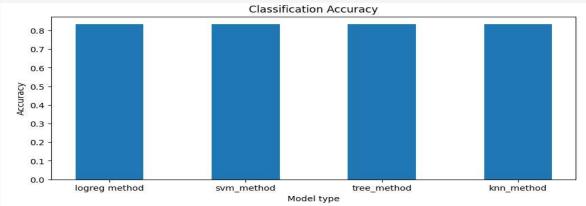
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Predictive Analysis (Classification)



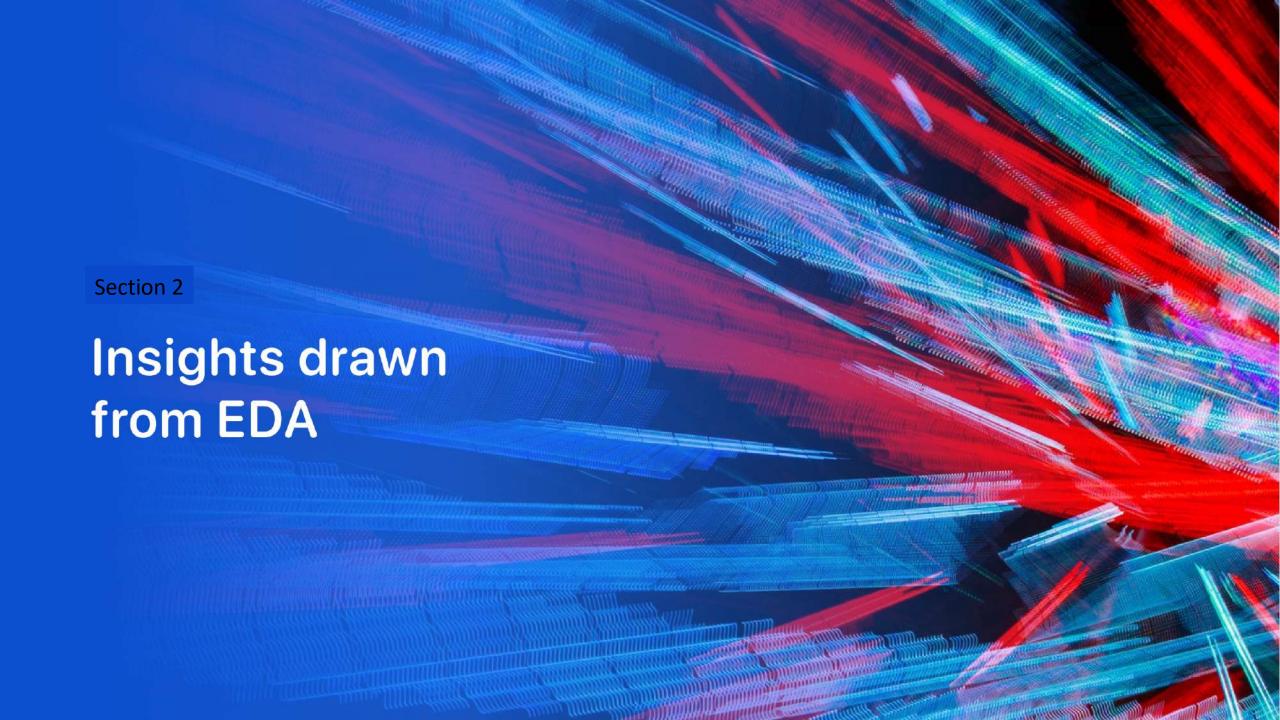
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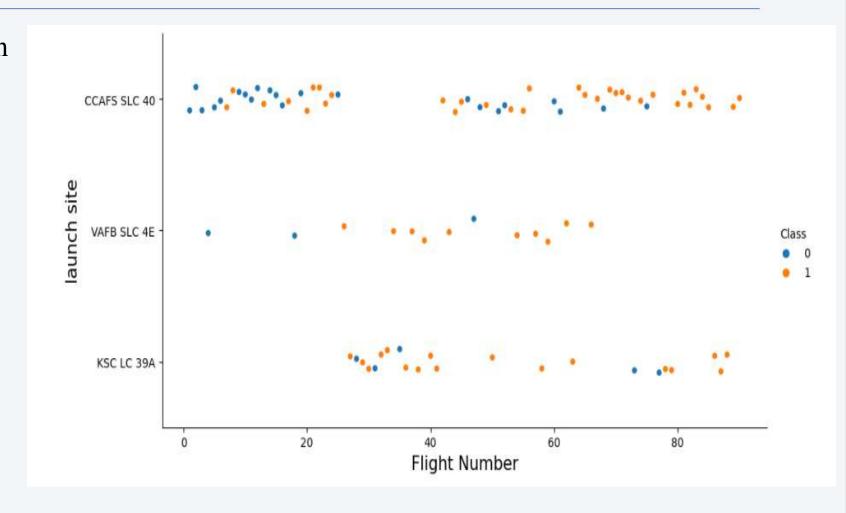
Results

- Exploratory data analysis results
 - The chances of the launch being successful increases with flight number and with a greater payload mass
 - Orbit types ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO have the greatest success rates (100%)
 - The chances of the launch being successful increased overtime from 2013 to 2020
 - Site KSC LC-39A had the greatest success rate, and site CCAFS SLC-40 had the lowest
- Interactive analytics demo in screenshots
 - Launch sites are close enough to railways, highways, and cities that workers and materials can be transported, but not close enough to cause any public damage
- Predictive analysis results
- All four models used (logistic regression, SVM, decision tree, and KNN) were all equally good in terms of prediction accuracy



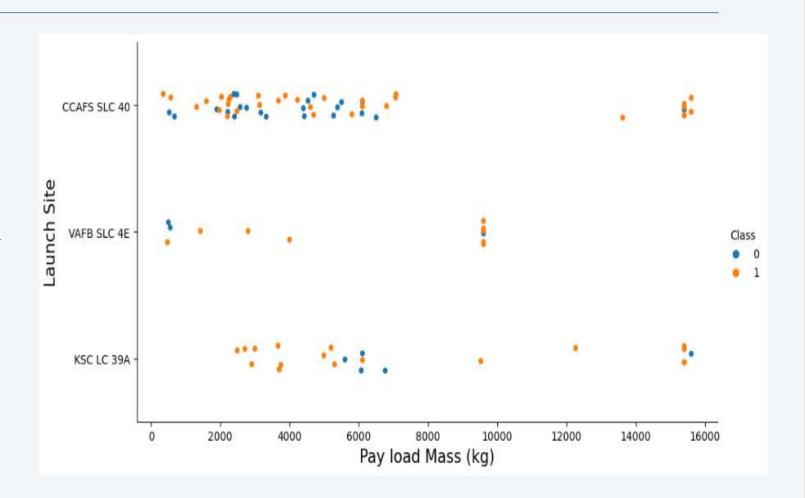
Flight Number vs. Launch Site

- Blue indicates successful launch and orange indicates unsuccessfullaunch. Graphic suggests an increase in success rate over time (indicated in Flight Number). Likely a big breakthrough around flight 20 which significantly increased success rate.
- CCAFS appears to be the main launch site as it has the mostvolume.



Payload vs. Launch Site

- Blue indicates successful launch and orange indicates unsuccessfullaunch.
- Payload mass appears to fall mostly between 0-6000 kg.
- Different launch sites also seem to use different payloadmass.

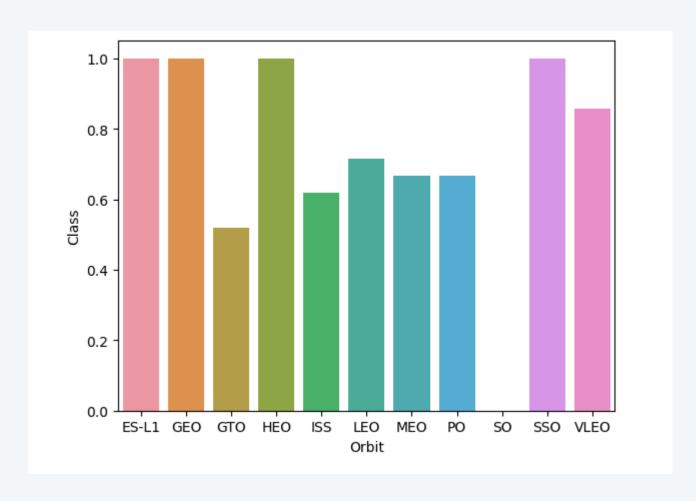


Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

The ranked success rate by orbit type is as

follows:

- 1. ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO (100%)
- 2. VLEO
- 3. LEO
- 4. MEO, PO
- 5. ISS
- 6. GTO
- 7. SO (0%)



Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

Given Class 0 (blue) represents failed launches and Class 1 (orange) represents successful launches, the following conclusions

can be drawn:

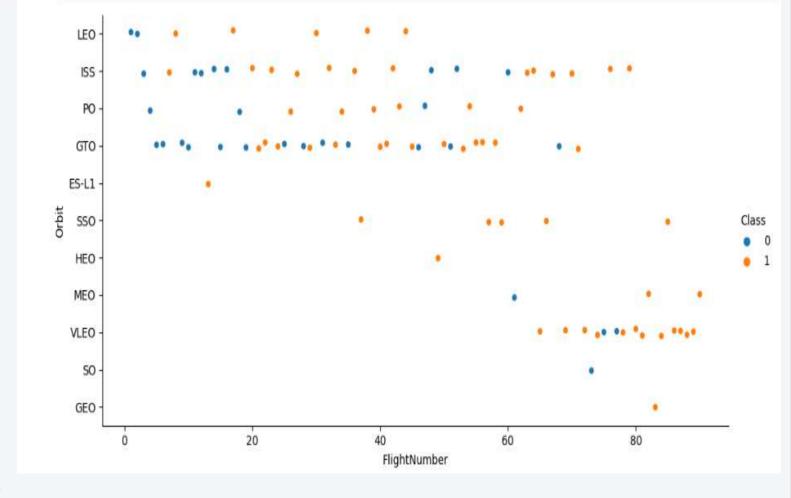
• Typically, the greater the flight number, the

higher the success rate, with the exception

of the GTO orbit

• ES-L1, HEO, SO, and GEO only contain one

flight number, so no accurate conclusions



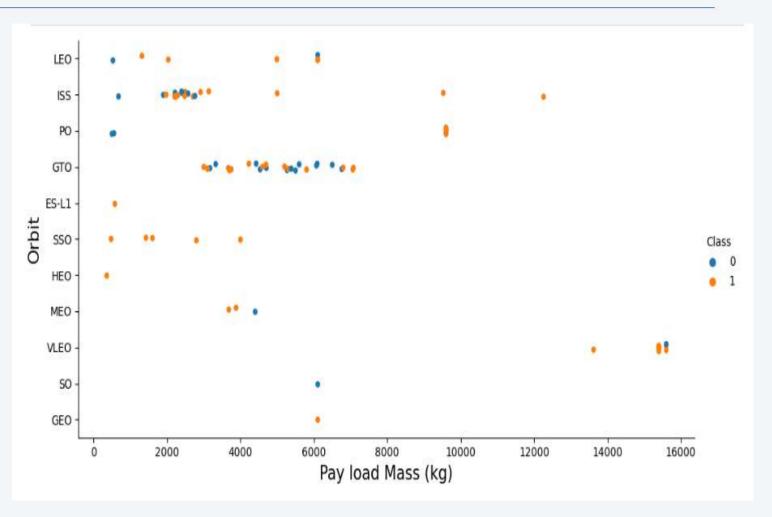
Payload vs. Orbit Type

Given Class 0 (blue) represents failed launches and Class 1 (orange) represents successful launches, the following conclusions

can be drawn:

- Greater payload masses have higher success for LEO, ISS, PO, and VLEO
- GTO has approximately an even split of successes and failures regardless of payload mass
- ES-L1, HEO, SO, and GEO only contain one

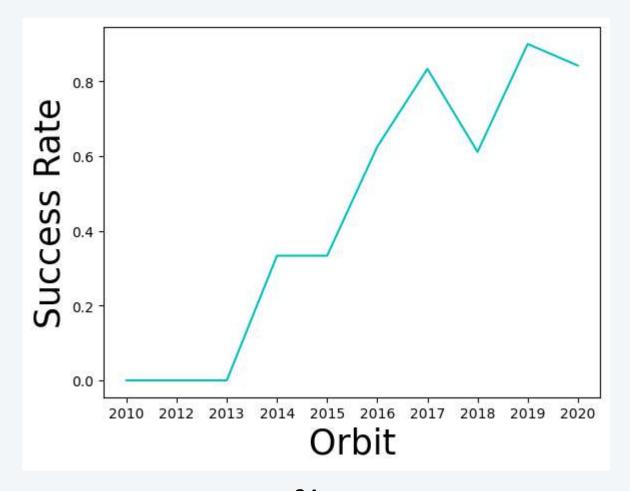
data point, so no accurate conclusions can be drawn for these orbits



Launch Success Yearly Trend

The following conclusions can be drawn:

- There is a general upwards trend from 2013-2020
- There is a decrease from 2017-2018, and 2019-2020
- There is no change from 2014-2015

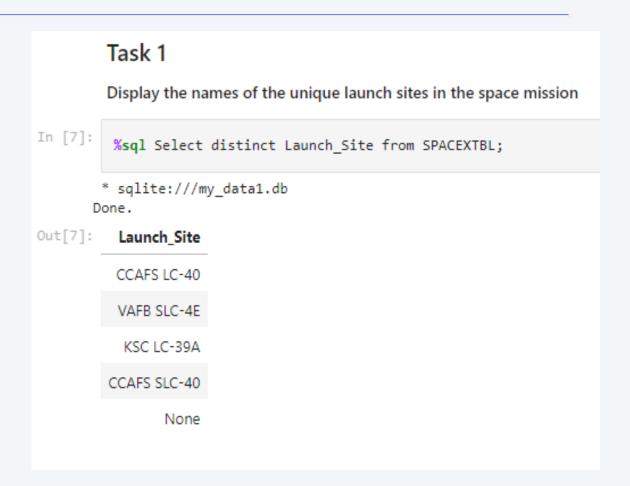


All Launch Site Names

The query used the keyword DISTINCT

in order to only list the unique launch site names. The result was 4 sites:

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



Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

Task 2

Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'

* sqlite:///my_data1.db

Out[8]:

Date	Time (UTC)	Booster_Version	Launch_Site	Payload	PAYLOAD_MASSKG_	Orbit	Customer	Mission_Outcome	Landing_Outc
06/04/2010	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0.0	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Failure (paracl
12/08/2010	15:43:00	F9 v1.0 B0004	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C1, two CubeSats, barrel of Brouere cheese	0.0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS) NRO	Success	Failure (paracl
22/05/2012	7:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2	525.0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No atte
10/08/2012	0:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-1	500.0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No atte
03/01/2013	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-2	677.0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No atte

• The query used LIMIT 5 to only list 5 launch sites with names beginning with 'CCA'.

Total Payload Mass

The SUM function was used to add all the payload masses, to get a total payload mass of 45596.0 kg.

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

The AVG function was used to calculate the average payload mass, with the specific qualification of having the booster version F9 v1.1. The average payload mass was calculated to be 2534.666 kg.

First Successful Ground Landing Date

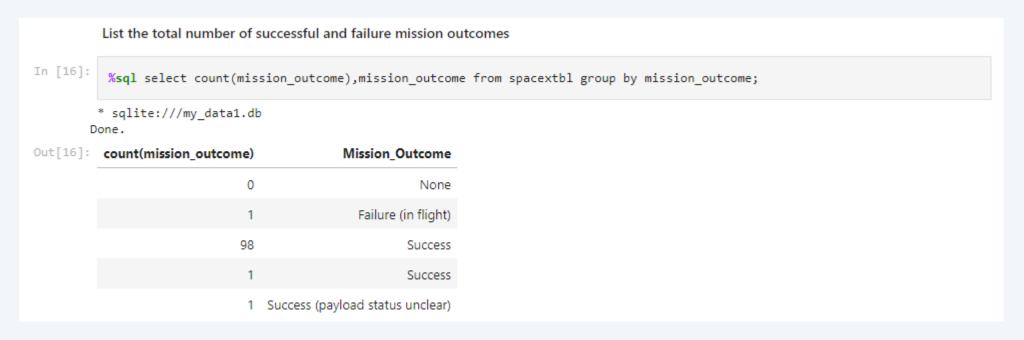
The MIN function was used on the Date column, specifying a landing outcome of a successful ground landing, in order to find the date of the first successful ground landing date. This was found to be 01/08/2018.

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
In [15]:
           %sql select booster version from spacextbl where Landing outcome='Success (drone ship)' and payload mass kg >4000 and paylo
           sqlite:///my_data1.db
        Done.
Out[15]: Booster Version
               F9 FT B1022
               F9 FT B1026
             F9 FT B1029.1
             F9 FT B1021.2
             F9 FT B1036.1
             F9 B4 B1041.1
             F9 FT B1031.2
```

7 boosters were found which had successful drone ship landings, as well as a payload mass between 4000kg and 6000kg

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes



The total number of successful and failed mission outcomes was found by counting and then grouping by mission outcomes.

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

```
List the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass. Use a subquery
In [17]:
           %sql select booster_version from spacextbl where payload_mass__kg_=(select max(payload_mass__kg_) from spacextbl)
          * sqlite:///my_data1.db
        Done.
Out[17]:
          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
```

12 different booster versions carrying the maximum payload mass were found using a subquery.

2015 Launch Records

2 records were found in 2015 with a failed landing outcome in drone ship.

List the records which will display the month names, failure landing_outcomes in drone ship ,booster versions, launch_site for the months in year 2015.

Note: SQLLite does not support monthnames. So you need to use substr(Date, 4, 2) as month to get the months and substr(Date, 7, 4) = '2015' for year.

In [20]: %sql select substr(Date, 4, 2) as months, booster_version, launch_site from SPACEXTBL where landing_outcome = 'Failure (drone).

* sqlite:///my_data1.db Done.

Out[20]:	months	Booster_Version	Launch_Site
	10	F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40
	04	F9 v1.1 B1015	CCAFS LC-40

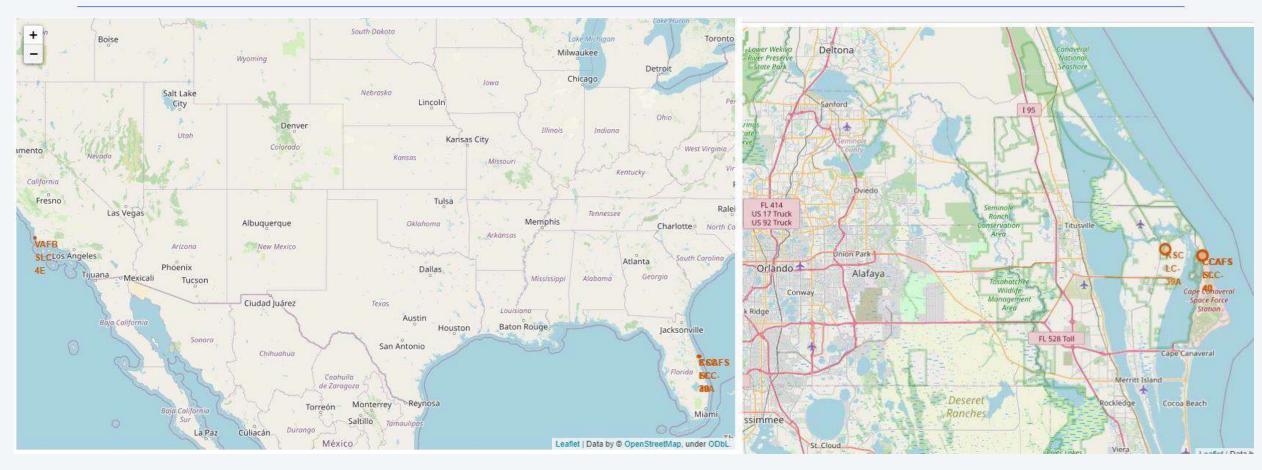
Rank Landing Outcomes Between 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20

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. In [21]: %sql Select count(landing outcome), landing outcome from SPACEXTBL group by landing outcome order by count(landing outcome) * sqlite:///my_data1.db Out[21]: count(landing outcome) Landing Outcome 38 Success No attempt Success (drone ship) 9 Success (ground pad) Failure (drone ship) Controlled (ocean) Failure Uncontrolled (ocean) Failure (parachute) 1 Precluded (drone ship) No attempt None

Landing outcomes between 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20 were ranked, by grouping by landing outcome and ordering by the number of launches for each outcome, ordered in descending order. It can be seen that success is the most common outcome, and no attempt is the least common.



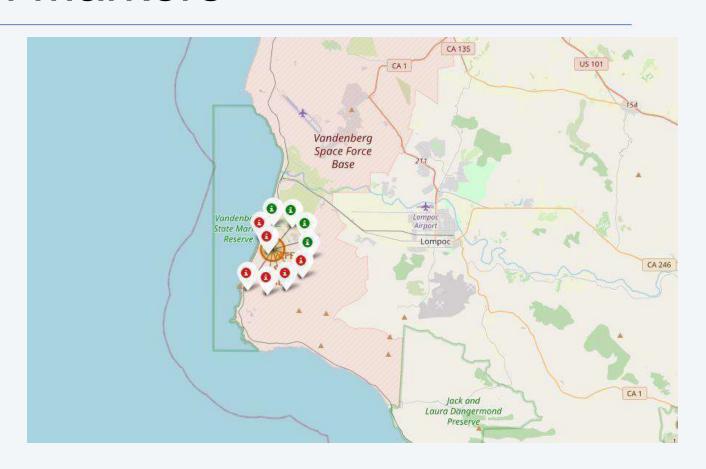
Launch Site Locations



The left map shows all launch sites relative US map. The right map shows the two Florida launch sites since they are very close to each other. All launch sites are near theocean.

Color Coded Launch Markers

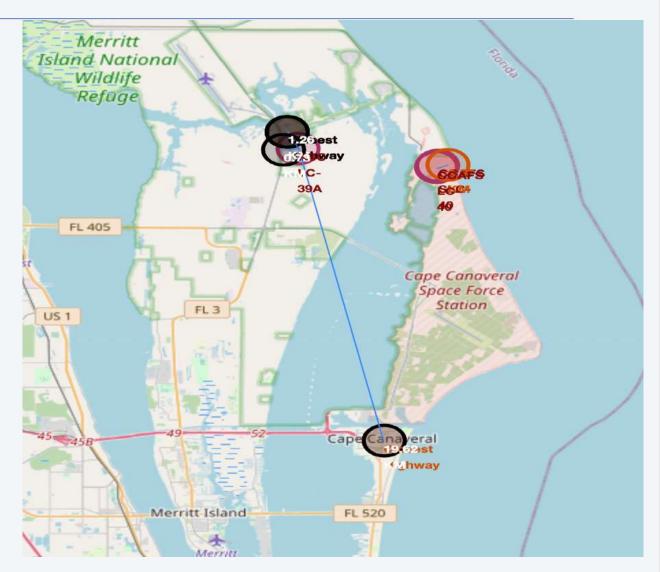
Clusters on Folium map can be clicked on to display each successful landing (green icon) andfailedlanding (red icon). In this example VAFB SLC-4E shows 4 successful landings and 6 failedlandings.

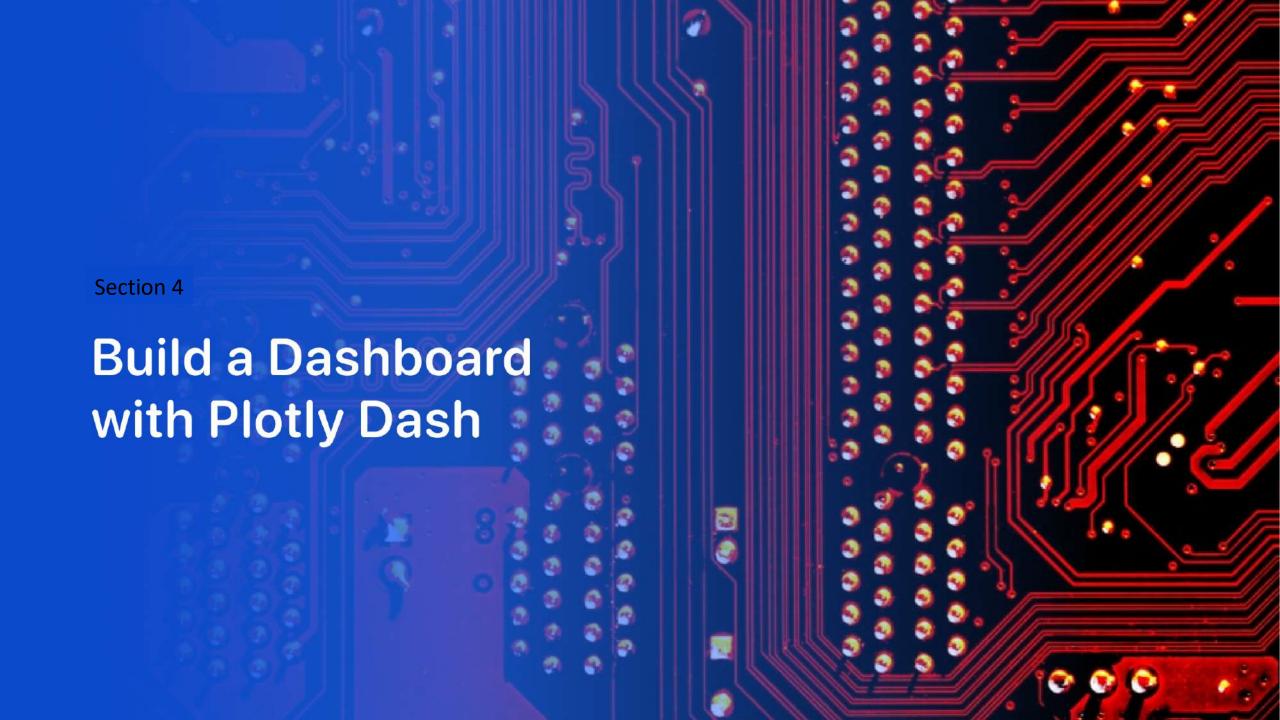


Launch Site Proximities

• It can be seen that launch sites are close enough to railways, highways, and cities that workers and materials can be transported, but not close enough to cause any public damage.

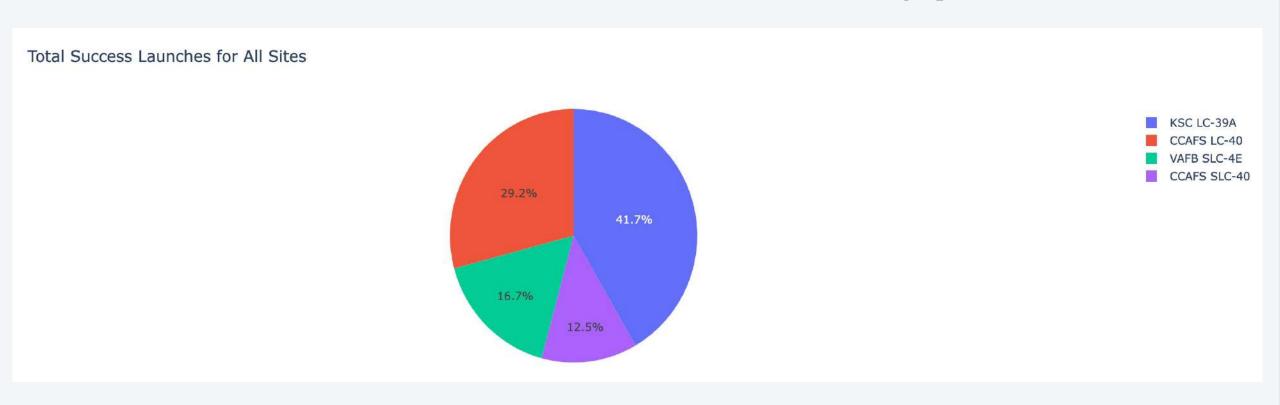
• They're also close to coasts so that if damage does occur, it'll be close to water and won't harm any people or properties.



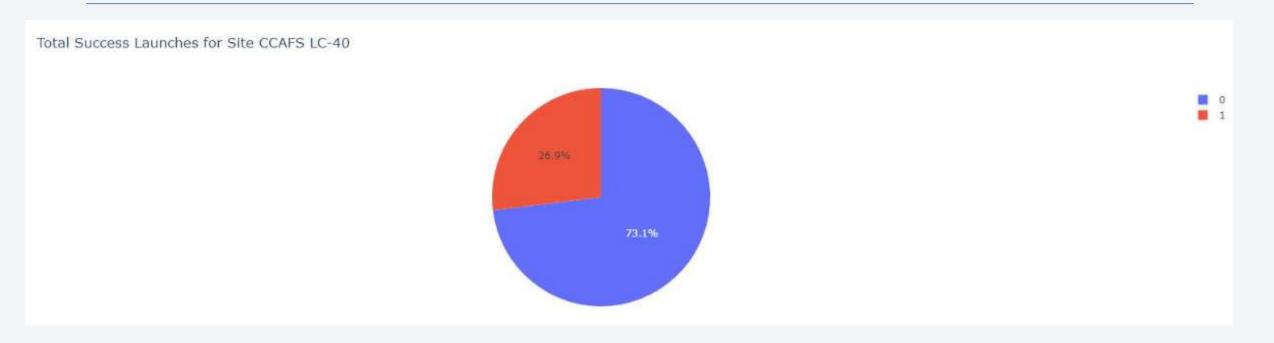


Total Success Launches for All Sites

KSC LC-39A has to highest total success launches, making up for 41.7% of the total successes, and CCAFS SLC-40 has the lowest success, making up 12.5%.



Total Success Launches for Site KSC LC-40

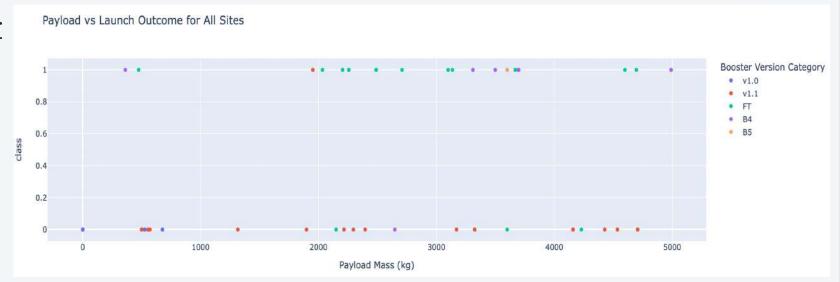


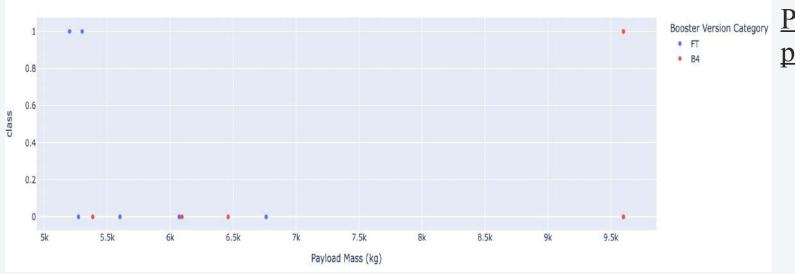
Site KSC LC-39A, the site making up the greatest number of successes, has a success rate of 73.1% and failure of 26.9%.

Payload vs Launch Outcome for All Sites

Payload vs Launch Outcome for payload mass 0kg-5000kg

• It can be seen that the success rate is higher when the payload mass is lower, i.e. below 5500 kg, where 1 indicates success and 0 indicates failure.



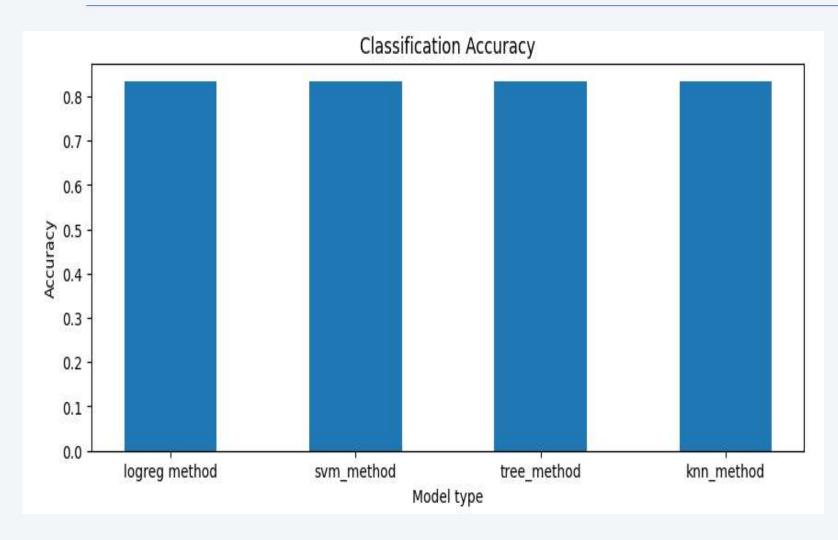


Payload vs Launch Outcome for payload mass 5000kg-10000kg

• It can also be seen that boosters FT and B4 are the only boosters withpay load mass above 5000kg



Classification Accuracy



- All models had virtually the same accuracy on the test set at 83.33% accuracy. It should be noted that test size is small at only sample size of 18.
- This can cause large variance in accuracy results, such as those in Decision Tree Classifier model in repeatedruns.
- We likely need more data to determine the bestmodel.

Confusion Matrix



- Since all models performed the same for the test set, the confusion matrix is the same across all models. The models predicted 12 successful landings when the true labelwas successful landing.
- The models predicted 3 unsuccessful landings when the true label was unsuccessfullanding.
- The models predicted 3 successful landings when the true label was unsuccessful landings (false positives). Our models over predict successfullandings.

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Conclusions

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Appendix

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