

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

- Collected data from public SpaceX API and SpaceX Wikipedia page. Created labels column 'class' which classifies successful landings. Explored data using SQL, visualization, folium maps, and dashboards. Gathered relevant columns to be used as features. Changed all categorical variables to binary using one hot encoding. Standardized data and used GridSearchCV to find best parameters for machine learning models. Visualize accuracy score of all models.
- Four machine learning models were produced: Logistic Regression, Support Vector Machine, Decision Tree Classifier, and K Nearest Neighbors. All produced similar results with accuracy rate of about 83.33%. All models over predicted successful landings. More data is needed for better model determination and accuracy.

Introduction

Background

- The Commercial Space Age is beginning
- Due the ability to recover part of rocket (Stage 1), the cost of rocket launching in Space X is smaller than the others companies (\$62 million vs. \$165 million USD)
- Space Y wants to be a Space X direct competitor

Problem

 Using Space X data and machine learning model to predict successful Stage 1 recovery



Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Combined data from SpaceX public API and SpaceX Wikipedia page
- Perform data wrangling
 - Describe how data was processed
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - Tuned models using GridSearchCV

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.

The next slide will show the flowchart of data collection from API and the one after will show the flowchart of data collection from webscraping.

Space X API Data Columns:

• FlightNumber, Date, BoosterVersion, PayloadMass, Orbit, LaunchSite, Outcome, Flights, GridFins, Reused, Legs, LandingPad, Block, ReusedCount, Serial, Longitude, Latitude.

Wikipedia Webscrape Data Columns:

• Flight No., Launch site, Payload, PayloadMass, Orbit, Customer, Launch outcome, Version Booster, Booster landing, Date, Time.

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 url:

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https://github.com/joao-
humberto/Space-
Y/blob/c7277deb862029a32adb
c691cceda6441de92e80/Data%
20Collection.ipynb
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```
1. Get request for rocket launch data using API
          spacex url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"
In [7]:
          response = requests.get(spacex url)
   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 ison 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
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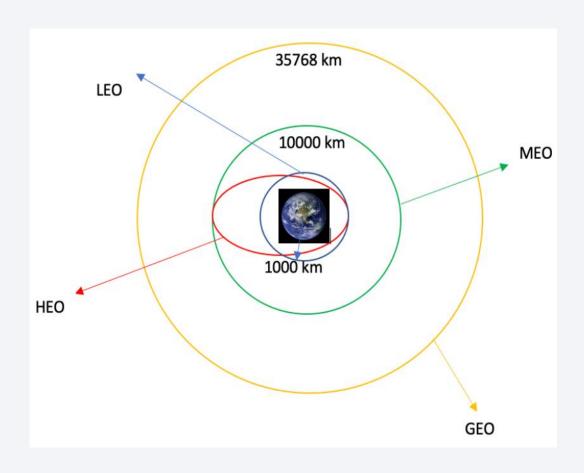
Data Collection – Web Scraping

- We applied web scrapping to webscrap Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup
- We parsed the table and converted it into a pandas dataframe.
- GitHub url: humberto/Space-Y/blob/a1784d6acd9e367dd2cf228
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 https://github.com/joao-humberto/Space-hum

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1. Apply HTTP Get method to request the Falcon 9 rocket launch page
       static_url = "https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=List_of_Falcon_9 and Falcon_Heavy_launches&oldid=1027686922"
          # 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
           # 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
           # Use soup.title attribute
          <title>List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches - Wikipedia</title>
    3. Extract all column names from the HTML table header
          # 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) > \theta') into a list called column_names
          element = soup.find all('th')
          for row in range(len(element)):
                 name = extract_column_from_header(element[row])
                if (name is not None and len(name) > 0):
                     column names.append(name)
             except
    4. Create a dataframe by parsing the launch HTML tables
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Export data to csv

Data Wrangling

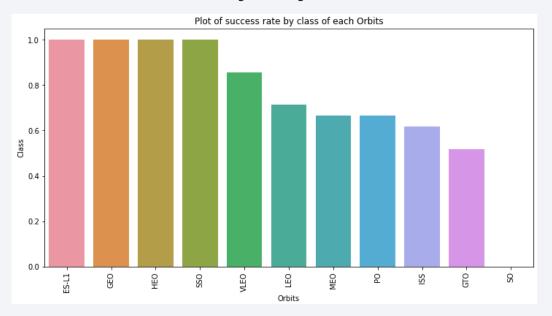


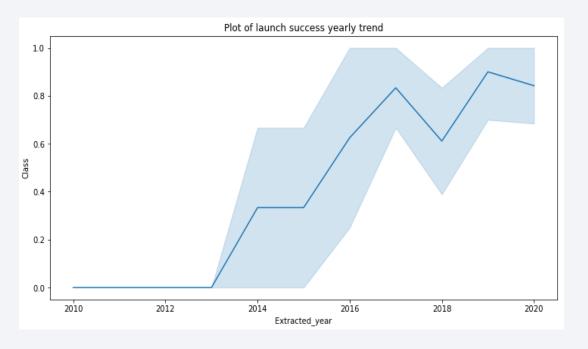
- We performed exploratory data analysis and determined the training labels.
- We calculated the number of launches at each site, and the number and occurrence of each orbits
- We created landing outcome label from outcome column and exported the results to csv.

GitHub url: https://github.com/joaohumberto/Space-Y/blob/a1784d6acd9e367dd2cf228cd0a45f9f2a6a 6680/Data%20Wrangling%20Lab.ipynb

EDA with Data Visualization

 We explored the data by visualizing the relationship between flight number and launch Site, payload and launch site, success rate of each orbit type, flight number and orbit type, the launch success yearly trend.





GitHub url: https://github.com/joao-humberto/Space-y/blob/99a711cd3eefddf4b84a69cab-52a34f843aeb3ba/EDA%20With%20Visualization.ipynb

EDA with SQL

- We loaded the SpaceX dataset into a PostgreSQL database without leaving the jupyter notebook.
- We applied EDA with SQL to get insight from the data. We wrote queries to find out for instance:
 - The names of unique launch sites in the space mission.
 - The total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
 - The average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
 - The total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
 - The failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster version and launch site names.

GitHub url: https://github.com/joao-humberto/Space-Y/blob/daa9f8c6a70a0b737cf4a3b073573ef40b06edc3/EDA%20with%20SQL.ipynb

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:
 - Are launch sites near railways, highways and coastlines.
 - Do launch sites keep certain distance away from cities.

<u>GitHub url: https://github.com/joao-humberto/Space-Y/blob/0f574aa4f4d39fe215efdf368b62e9ab69021c19/Interactive%20Visual%20Analytics.ipynb</u>

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.

<u>GitHub url: https://github.com/joao-humberto/Space-Y/blob/8352c62a99249ab4f0832d89ce40270573a830c2/Space%20Y%20app.py</u>

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- We loaded the data using numpy and pandas, transformed the data, split our data into training and testing.
- We built different machine learning models and tune different hyperparameters using GridSearchCV.
- We used accuracy as the metric for our model, improved the model using feature engineering and algorithm tuning.
- We found the best performing classification model.

GitHub url: https://github.com/joao-humberto/Space-
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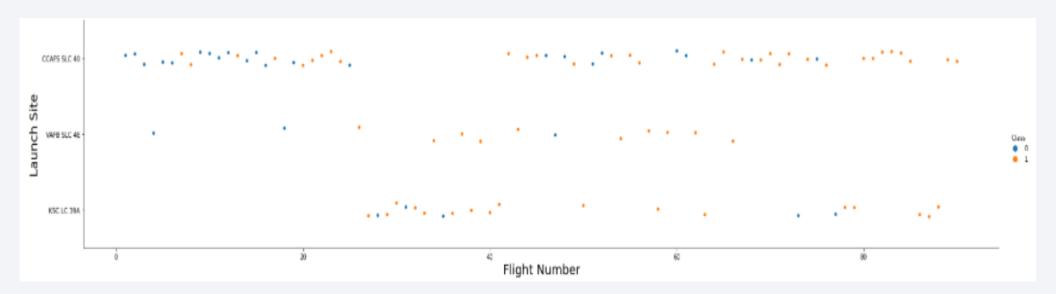
Results

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



Flight Number vs. Launch Site

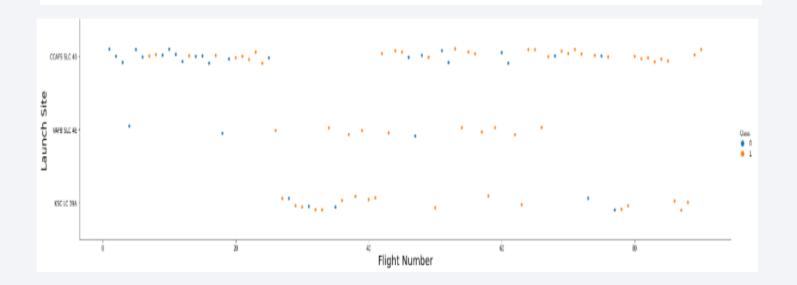
• From the plot, we found that the larger the flight amount at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site.



Payload vs. Launch Site

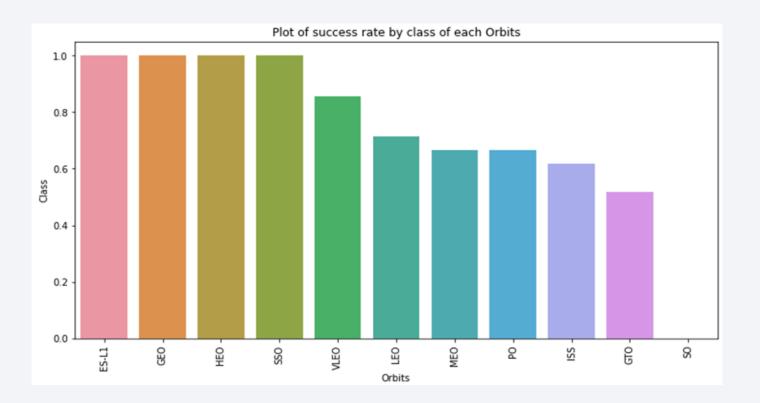


The greater the payload mass for launch site CCAFS SLC 40 the higher the success rate for the rocket.



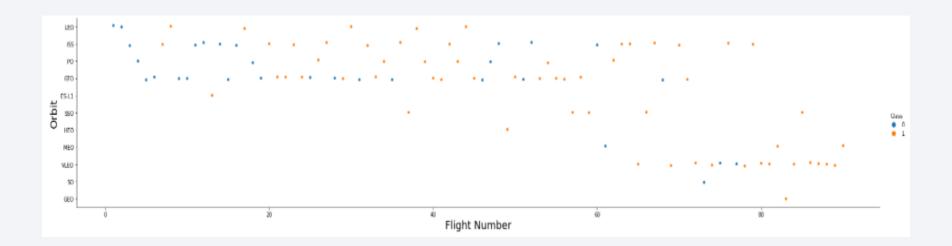
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

 From the plot, we can see that ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO, VLEO had the most success rate.



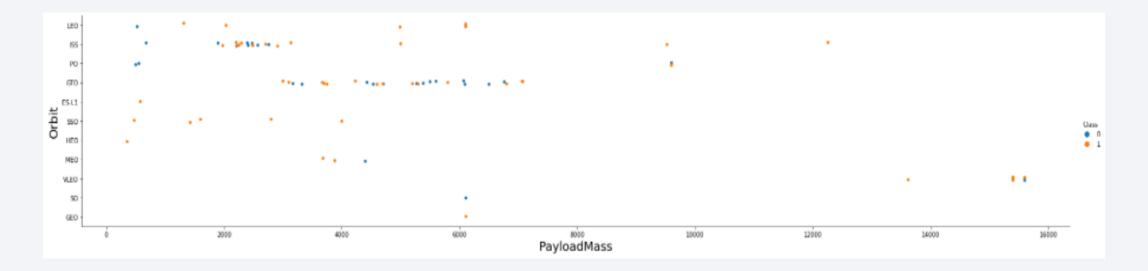
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

• The plot below shows the Flight Number vs. Orbit type. We observe that in the LEO orbit, success is related to the number of flights whereas in the GTO orbit, there is no relationship between flight number and the orbit.



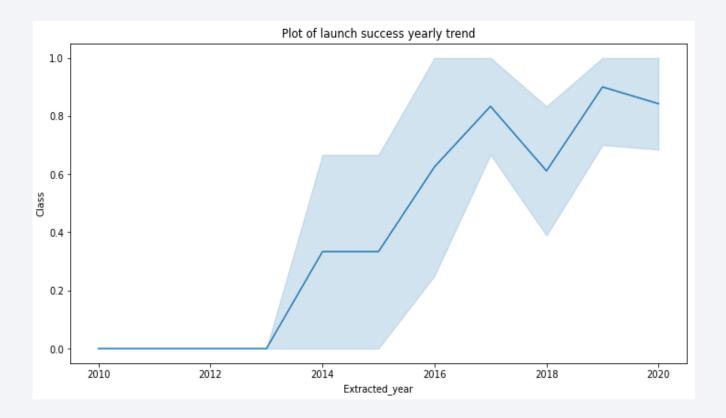
Payload vs. Orbit Type

• We can observe that with heavy payloads, the successful landing are more for PO, LEO and ISS orbits.



Launch Success Yearly Trend

• From the plot, we can observe that success rate since 2013 kept on increasing till 2020.



All Launch Site Names

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



Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

In [11]:		<pre>task_2 = '''</pre>									
Out[11]:		date	time	boosterversion	launchsite	payload	payloadmasskg	orbit	customer	missionoutcome	landingoutcome
	0	2010-04- 06	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Failure (parachute)
	1	2010-08- 12	15:43:00	F9 v1.0 B0004	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C1, two CubeSats, barrel of	0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS) NRO	Success	Failure (parachute)
	2	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
	3	2012-08- 10	00:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-1	500	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt
	4	2013-01- 03	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-2	677	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt

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

Total Payload Mass

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

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

In [12]:

task_3 = '''

SELECT SUM(PayloadMassKG) AS Total_PayloadMass
FROM SpaceX
WHERE Customer LIKE 'NASA (CRS)'

'''

create_pandas_df(task_3, database=conn)

Out[12]:

total_payloadmass

0 45596
```

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

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

```
Display average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

In [13]:

task_4 = '''

SELECT AVG(PayloadMassKG) AS Avg_PayloadMass
FROM SpaceX
WHERE BoosterVersion = 'F9 v1.1'

'''

create_pandas_df(task_4, database=conn)

Out[13]:

avg_payloadmass

0 2928.4
```

First Successful Ground Landing Date

 We observed that the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad was 22nd December 2015

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

```
In [15]:
           task 6 = '''
                   SELECT BoosterVersion
                   FROM SpaceX
                   WHERE LandingOutcome = 'Success (drone ship)'
                       AND PayloadMassKG > 4000
                       AND PayloadMassKG < 6000
           create pandas df(task 6, database=conn)
Out[15]:
             boosterversion
          0
                F9 FT B1022
                F9 FT B1026
              F9 FT B1021.2
              F9 FT B1031.2
```

 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

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

```
List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
In [16]:
          task 7a = '''
                  SELECT COUNT(MissionOutcome) AS SuccessOutcome
                  FROM SpaceX
                  WHERE MissionOutcome LIKE 'Success%'
          task 7b = '''
                  SELECT COUNT(MissionOutcome) AS FailureOutcome
                  FROM SpaceX
                  WHERE MissionOutcome LIKE 'Failure%'
          print('The total number of successful mission outcome is:')
          display(create pandas df(task 7a, database=conn))
          print()
          print('The total number of failed mission outcome is:')
          create pandas df(task 7b, database=conn)
         The total number of successful mission outcome is:
            successoutcome
                      100
         0
         The total number of failed mission outcome is:
Out[16]:
            failureoutcome
         0
```

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

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 [17]:
          task_8 = '''
                   SELECT BoosterVersion, PayloadMassKG
                   FROM SpaceX
                   WHERE PayloadMassKG = (
                                            SELECT MAX(PayloadMassKG)
                                             FROM SpaceX
                   ORDER BY BoosterVersion
           create_pandas_df(task_8, database=conn)
Out[17]:
              boosterversion payloadmasskg
           F9 B5 B1048.4
                                    15600
               F9 B5 B1048.5
                                    15600
               F9 B5 B1049.4
                                    15600
           3 F9 B5 B1049.5
                                    15600
              F9 B5 B1049.7
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               F9 B5 B1051.3
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          7 F9 B5 B1051.6
                                    15600
               F9 B5 B1056.4
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             F9 B5 B1058.3
                                    15600
               F9 B5 B1060.2
                                    15600
          11 F9 B5 B1060.3
                                    15600
```

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



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))
In [19]:
           task 10 = '''
                    SELECT LandingOutcome, COUNT(LandingOutcome)
                    FROM SpaceX
                    WHERE DATE BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20'
                    GROUP BY LandingOutcome
                    ORDER BY COUNT(LandingOutcome) DESC
           create pandas df(task 10, database=conn)
                  landingoutcome count
Out[19]:
                      No attempt
                                     10
               Success (drone ship)
                Failure (drone ship)
              Success (ground pad)
                 Controlled (ocean)
              Uncontrolled (ocean)
           6 Precluded (drone ship)
                 Failure (parachute)
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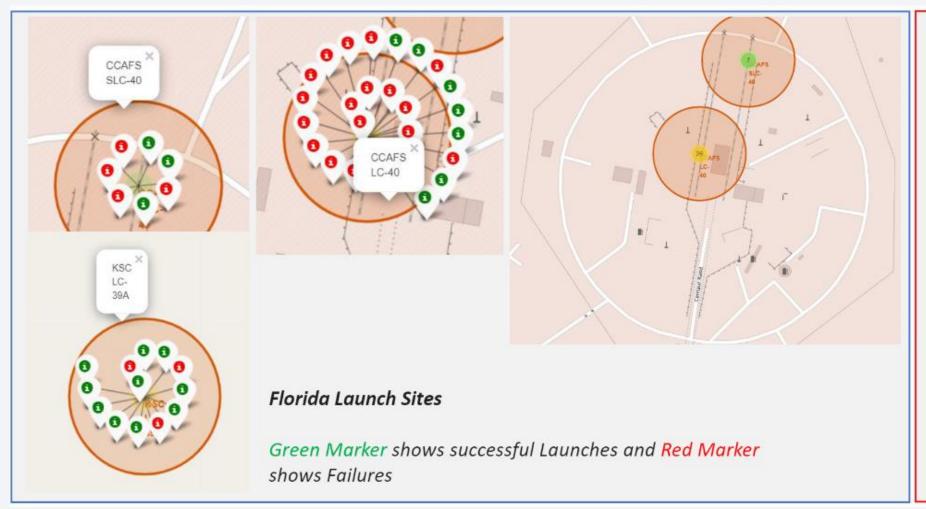
- We selected Landing outcomes and the COUNT of landing outcomes from the data and used the WHERE clause to filter for landing outcomes BETWEEN 2010-06-04 to 2010-03-20.
- We applied the GROUP BY clause to group the landing outcomes and the ORDER BY clause to order the grouped landing outcome in descending order.



All launch sites global map markers

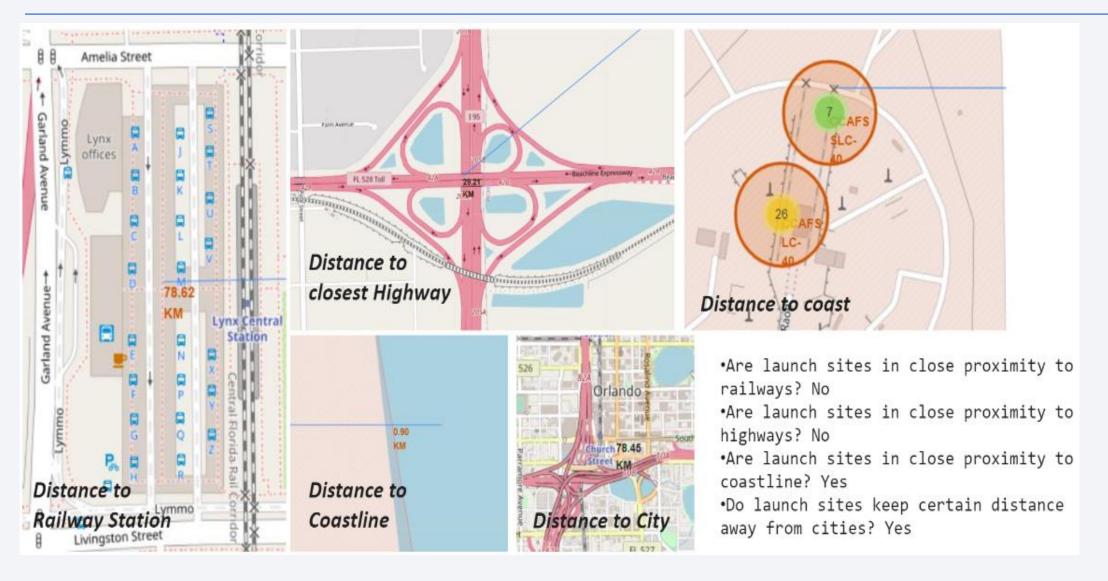


Markers showing launch sites with color labels



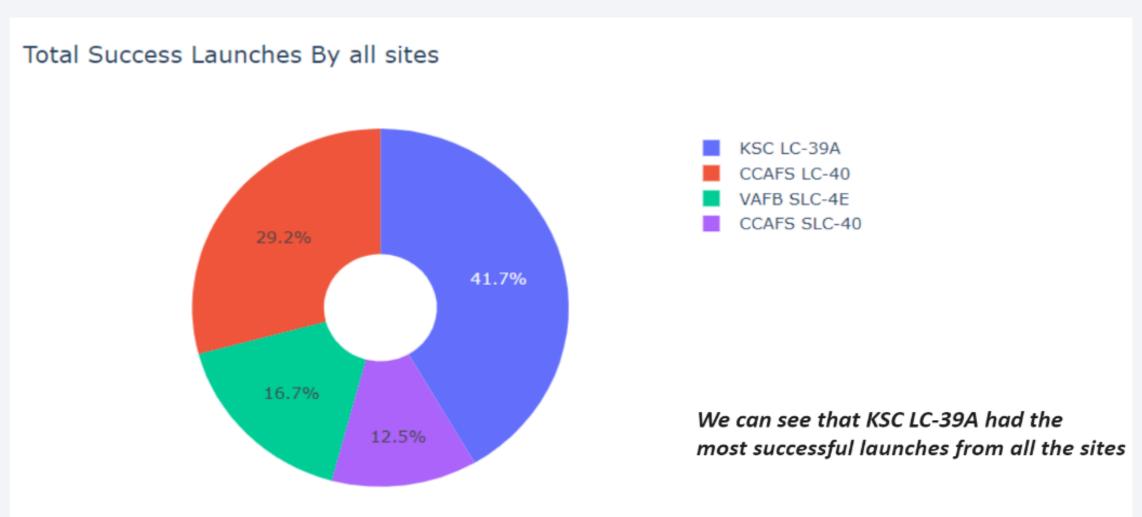


Launch Site distance to landmarks

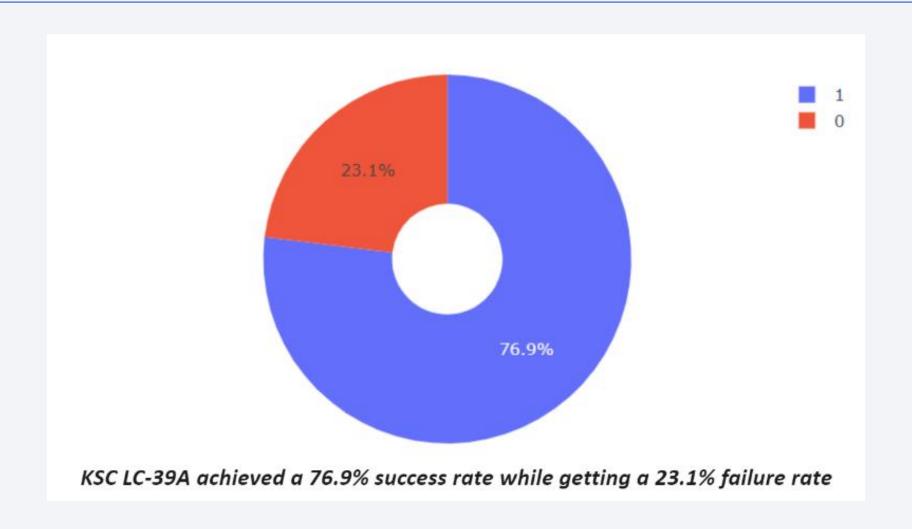




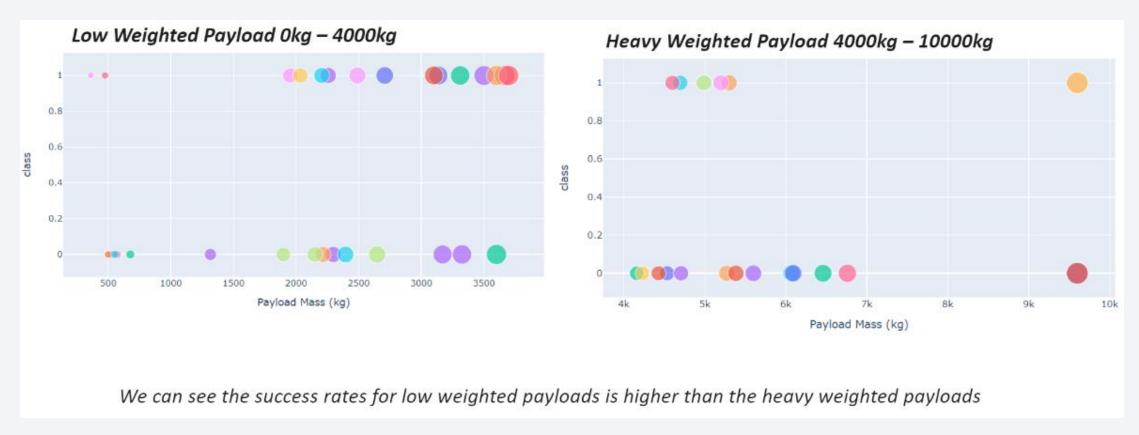
Pie chart showing the success percentage achieved by each launch site



Pie chart showing the Launch site with the highest launch success ratio



Scatter plot of Payload vs Launch Outcome for all sites, with different payload selected in the range slider





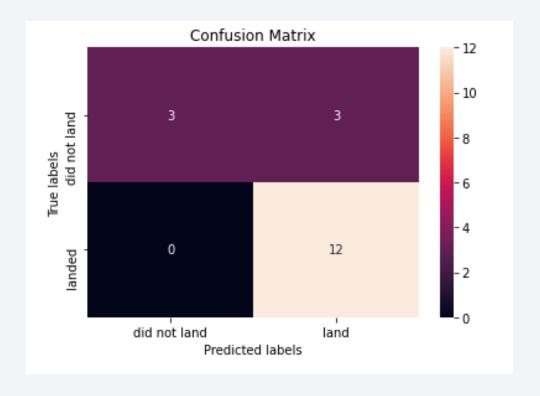
Classification Accuracy

The decision tree classifier is the model with the highest classification accuracy

```
models = {'KNeighbors':knn cv.best score ,
               'DecisionTree':tree cv.best score ,
               'LogisticRegression':logreg cv.best score ,
               'SupportVector': svm cv.best score }
bestalgorithm = max(models, key=models.get)
print('Best model is', bestalgorithm,'with a score of', models[bestalgorithm])
if bestalgorithm == 'DecisionTree':
    print('Best params is :', tree_cv.best_params_)
if bestalgorithm == 'KNeighbors':
    print('Best params is :', knn cv.best params )
if bestalgorithm == 'LogisticRegression':
     print('Best params is :', logreg cv.best params )
if bestalgorithm == 'SupportVector':
    print('Best params is :', svm cv.best params )
Best model is DecisionTree with a score of 0.8732142857142856
Best params is : {'criterion': 'gini', 'max_depth': 6, 'max_features': 'auto', 'min_samples_leaf': 2, 'min_samples_split': 5, 'splitter': 'random'}
```

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

- The larger the flight amount at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site.
- Launch success rate started to increase in 2013 till 2020.
- Orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO, VLEO had the most success rate.
- KSC LC-39A had the most successful launches of any sites.
- The Decision tree classifier is the best machine learning algorithm for this task.

