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Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Introduction

Space X is a revolutionary company who has disrupted the space industry by offering a rocket launch specifically Falcon 9 which cost as low as 62 million dollars; while others cost a whopping 165 million dollars for each rocket launch. Space X managed to save millions of dollars through their revolutionary idea; reuse the first stage of the launch by re-landing the rocket in order to be used in the next mission. Thus by repeating the process, the price will go down and millions of dollars will be saved.

As a data scientist of a startup rivaling SpaceX, the goal of this project is to create the machine learning pipeline to predict the landing outcome of the first stage in the future. This project is crucial in identifying the right price to bid against SpaceX for a rocket launch.

The problems included:

- Identifying all factors that influence the landing outcome
- The relationship between each variable and how it is affecting the outcome

Section 1

Methodology

Methodology

Executive Summary

Data collection methodology:

- Data was collected using SpaceX REST API and web scrapping from WIKIPEDIA

Perform data wrangling

- Data was processed using one-hot encoding for 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

- How to build, tune, evaluate classification models

Data Collection

Data Collection is the process of gathering and measuring information on targeted variables in an established system, which then enables one to answer relevant questions and evaluate outcomes. The data was collected by API and Web Scrapping from Wikipedia

For API, it starts off by using the get request. Then, decode the response content as json and turn it into dataframe. Finally, cleaned the data, check for any missing values and then filled in the rest.

For web scrapping, start off by using BeautifulSoup in order to extract the launch records as HTML table, followed by parse the table and converting it to pandas dataframe for analysis

Data Collection – SpaceX API

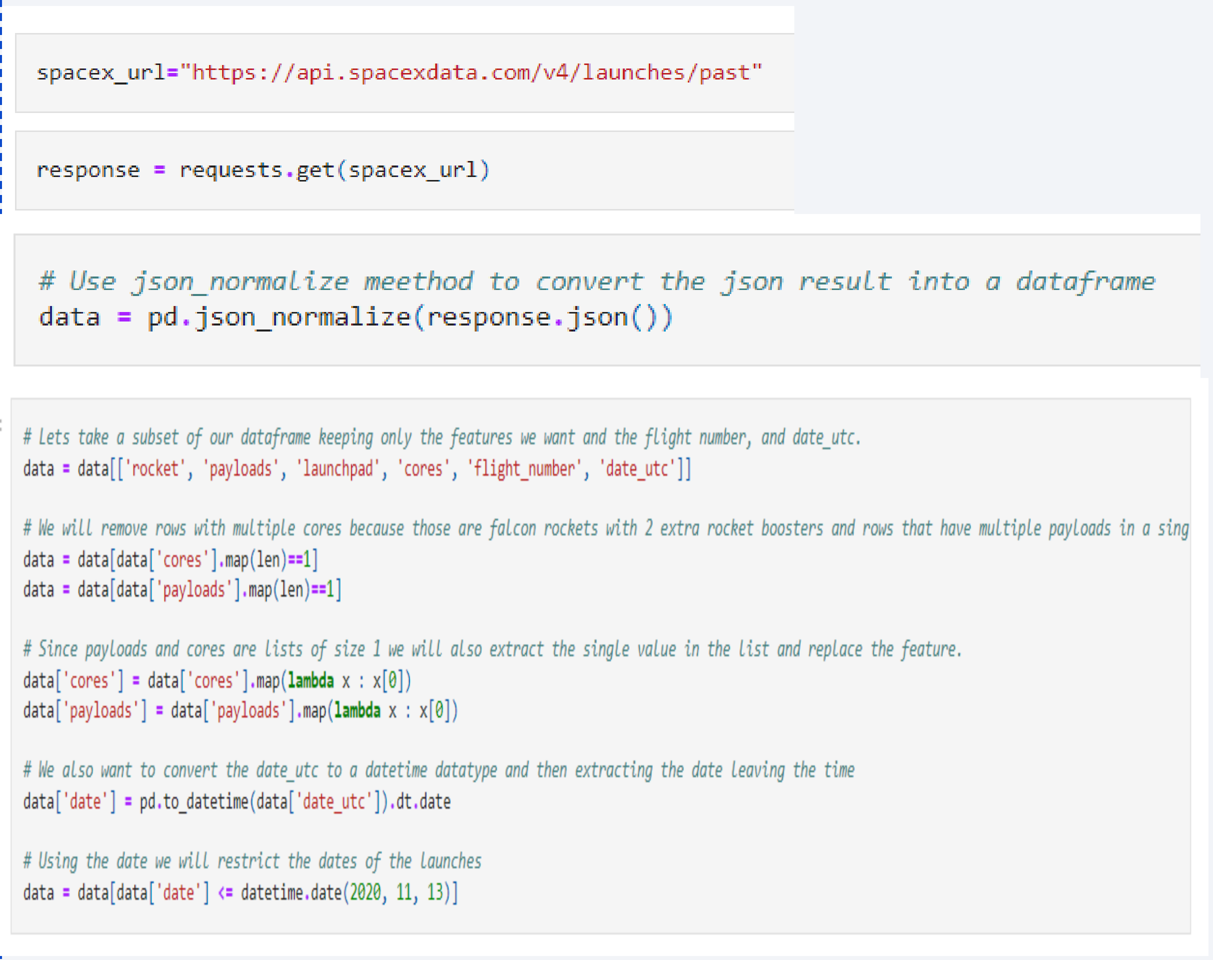
Get request for rocket launch using API

Using json_normalize method to convert json result to dataframe

Perform data cleaning and filling in the missing value

From:

https://github.com/joelhoe/Space-X-Applied-Data-Science-Capstone-Project-/blob/master/Data%20Collection%20API.ipynb



```python
spacex_url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"
```

```python
response = requests.get(spacex_url)
```

```python
# Use json_normalize meethod to convert the json result into a dataframe
data = pd.json_normalize(response.json())
```

```python
# Lets take a subset of our dataframe keeping only the features we want and the flight number, and date_utc.
data = data[['rocket', 'payloads', 'launchpad', 'cores', 'flight_number', 'date_utc']]

# We will remove rows with multiple cores because those are falcon rockets with 2 extra rocket boosters and rows that have multiple payloads in a sing
data = data[data['cores'].map(len)==1]
data = data[data['payloads'].map(len)==1]

# Since payloads and cores are lists of size 1 we will also extract the single value in the list and replace the feature.
data['cores'] = data['cores'].map(lambda x : x[0])
data['payloads'] = data['payloads'].map(lambda x : x[0])

# We also want to convert the date_utc to a datetime datatype and then extracting the date leaving the time
data['date'] = pd.to_datetime(data['date_utc']).dt.date

# Using the date we will restrict the dates of the launches
data = data[data['date'] <= datetime.date(2020, 11, 13)]
```

Data Collection - Scraping

Request the Falcon9 Launch Wiki page from url

Create a BeautifulSoup from the HTML Response

Extract all column/variable names from the HTML header

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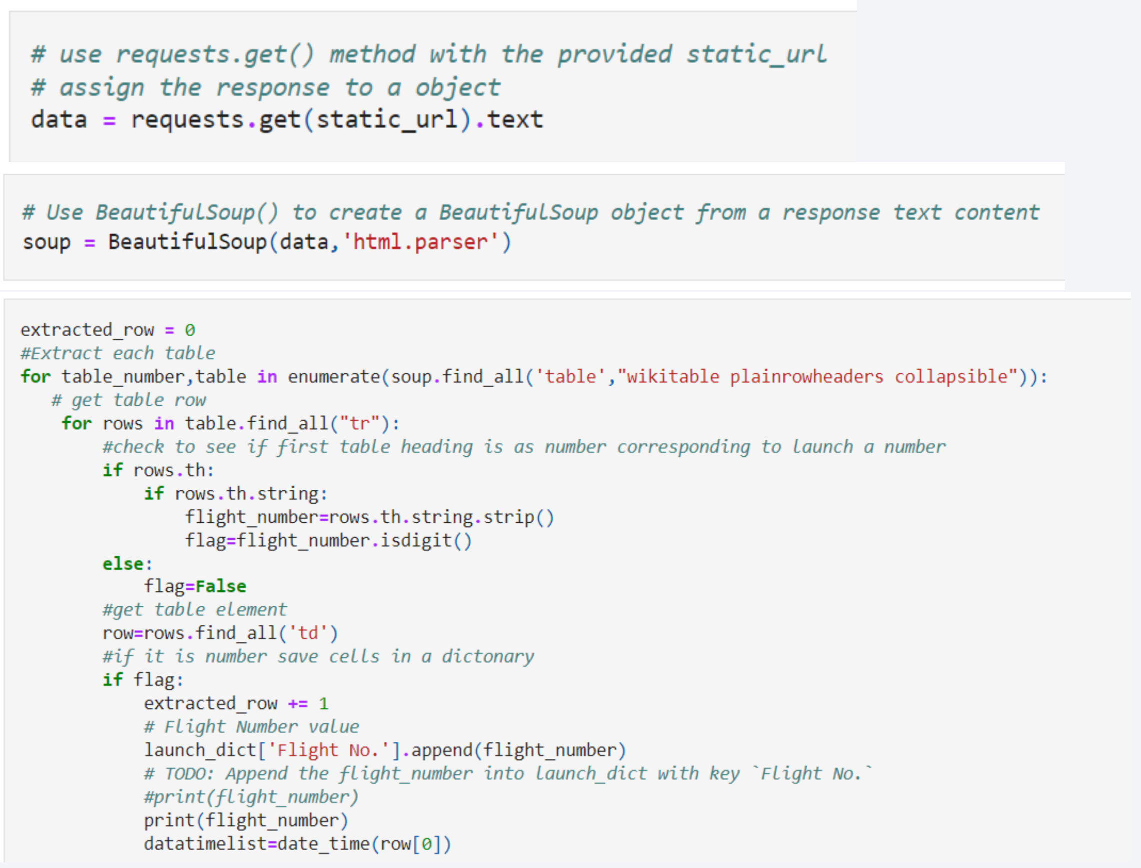


```
# use requests.get() method with the provided static_url
# assign the response to a object
data = requests.get(static_url).text
```

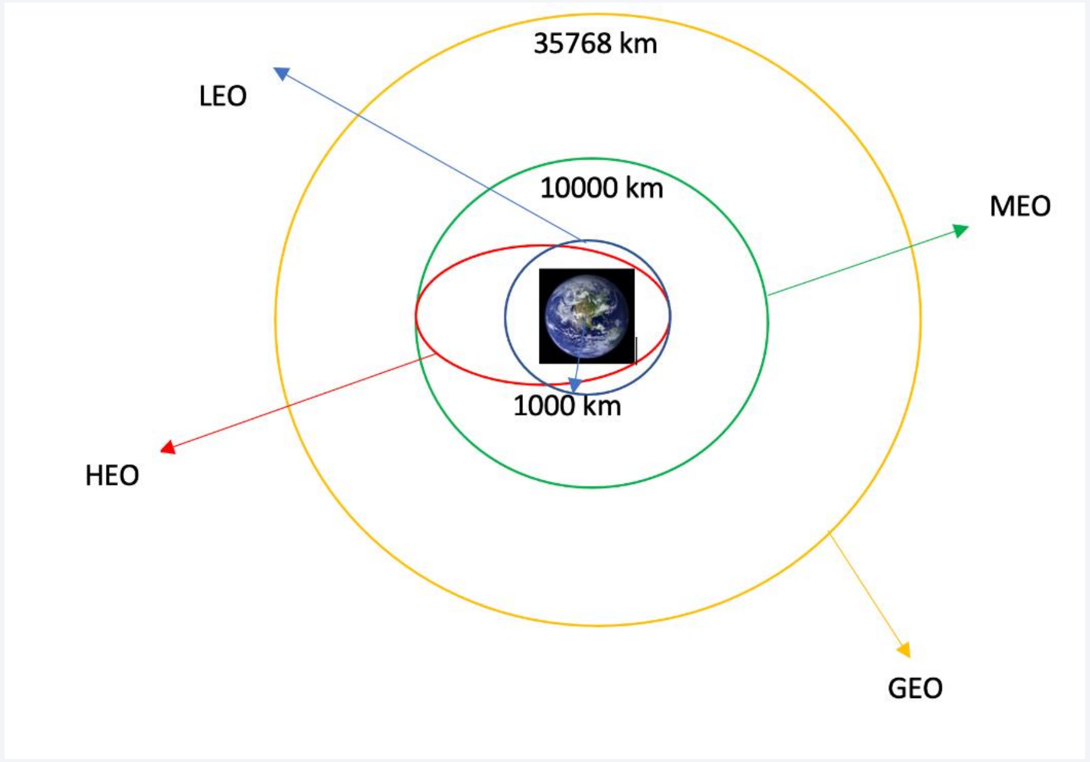
```
# Use BeautifulSoup() to create a BeautifulSoup object from a response text content
soup = BeautifulSoup(data,'html.parser')
```

```
extracted_row = 0
#Extract each table
for table_number,table in enumerate(soup.find_all('table',"wikitable plainrowheaders collapsible")):
   # get table row
    for rows in table.find_all("tr"):
        #check to see if first table heading is as number corresponding to launch a number
        if rows.th:
            if rows.th.string:
                flight_number=rows.th.string.strip()
                flag=flight_number.isdigit()
        else:
            flag=False
        #get table element
        row=rows.find_all('td')
        #if it is number save cells in a dictonary
        if flag:
            extracted_row += 1
            # Flight Number value
            launch_dict['Flight No.'].append(flight_number)
            # TODO: Append the flight_number into launch_dict with key `Flight No.`
            #print(flight_number)
            print(flight_number)
            datatimelist=date_time(row[0])
```

Data Wrangling

Data Wrangling is the process of cleaning and unifying messy and complex data sets for easy access and Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA).

Steps used:
- Calculate the number of launches on each site
- Calculate the number and occurrence of each orbit
- Calculate the number and occurrence of mission outcome per orbit type



From:
https://github.com/joelhoe/Space-X-Applied-Data-Science-Capstone-Project-/blob/master/Data%20Wrangling.ipynb

EDA with Data Visualization

Using scatter graph to find the relationships between the following attributes:

- 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, we can determine which factors affect the most in regarding to the success of the landing outcomes.

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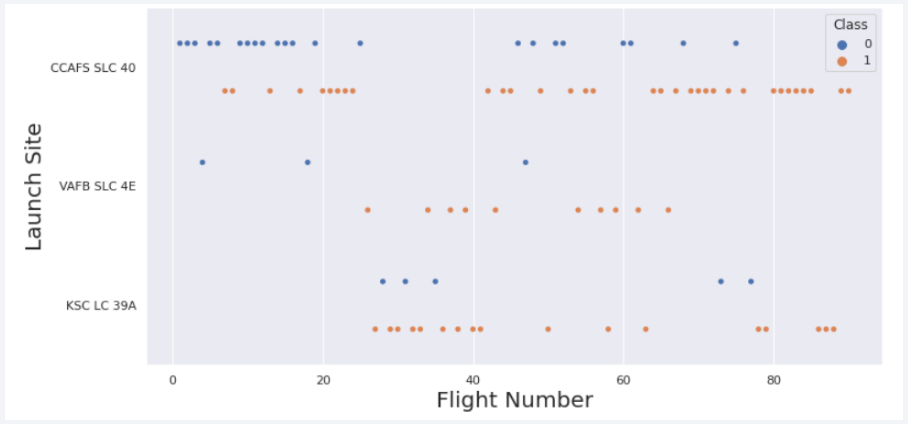

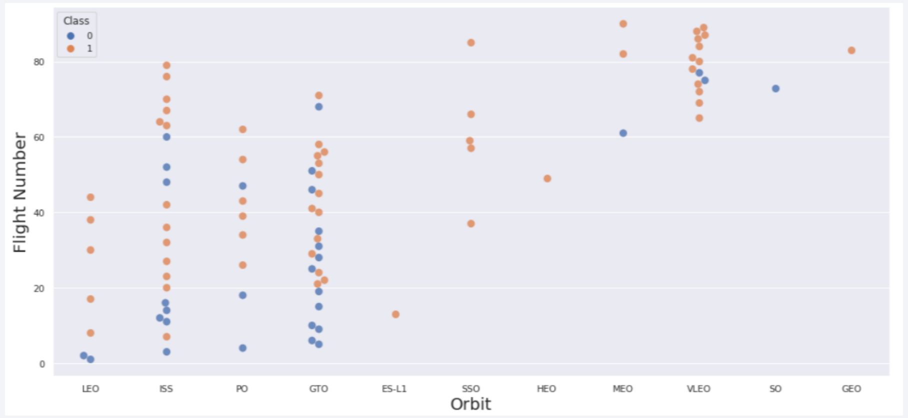

EDA with Data Visualization

Using data visualization tools such as bar graph and line plots graph for further analysis.

Bar graphs are one of the easiest way to interpret the relationship between attributes; for this project, is used to determine which orbits have the highest probability of success.

Line graphs show trends or pattern or attribute over time; for this project, is used to see the launch success yearly trend.

EDA with SQL

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

https://github.com/joelhoe/Space-X-Applied-Data-Science-Capstone-Project-/blob/master/EDA%20with%20SQL.ipynb

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

In order to visualize the launch data into an interactive map, latitude and longitude coordinates at each launch site and added a circle marker around each launch site with a label of the name of the launch site.

Then assigning the dataframe launch_outcomes(failure,success) to classes 0 and 1 with Red and Green markers on the map in MarkerCluster().

Lastly using the Haversine's formula to calculated the distance of the launch sites to various landmark to find answer to the questions of:

- How close the launch sites with railways, highways and coastlines? \
- How close the launch sites with nearby cities?

https://github.com/joelhoe/Space-X-Applied-Data-Science-CapstoneProject-/blob/master/Interactive%20Visual%20Analytics%20with%20Folium%20lab.ipynb

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

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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 datase

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

Results

The results will be categorized to 3 main results which is:

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

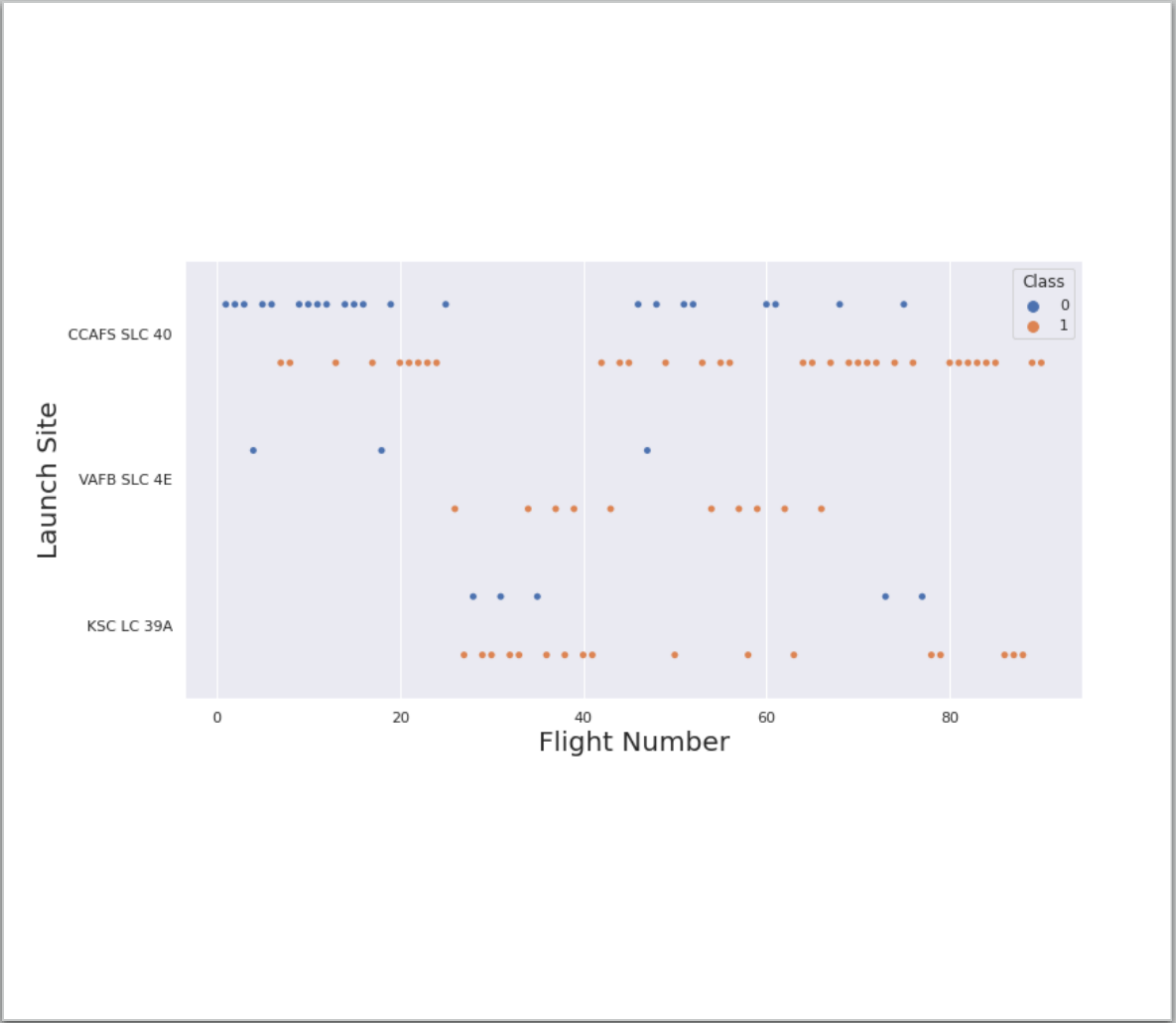
Section 2

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.

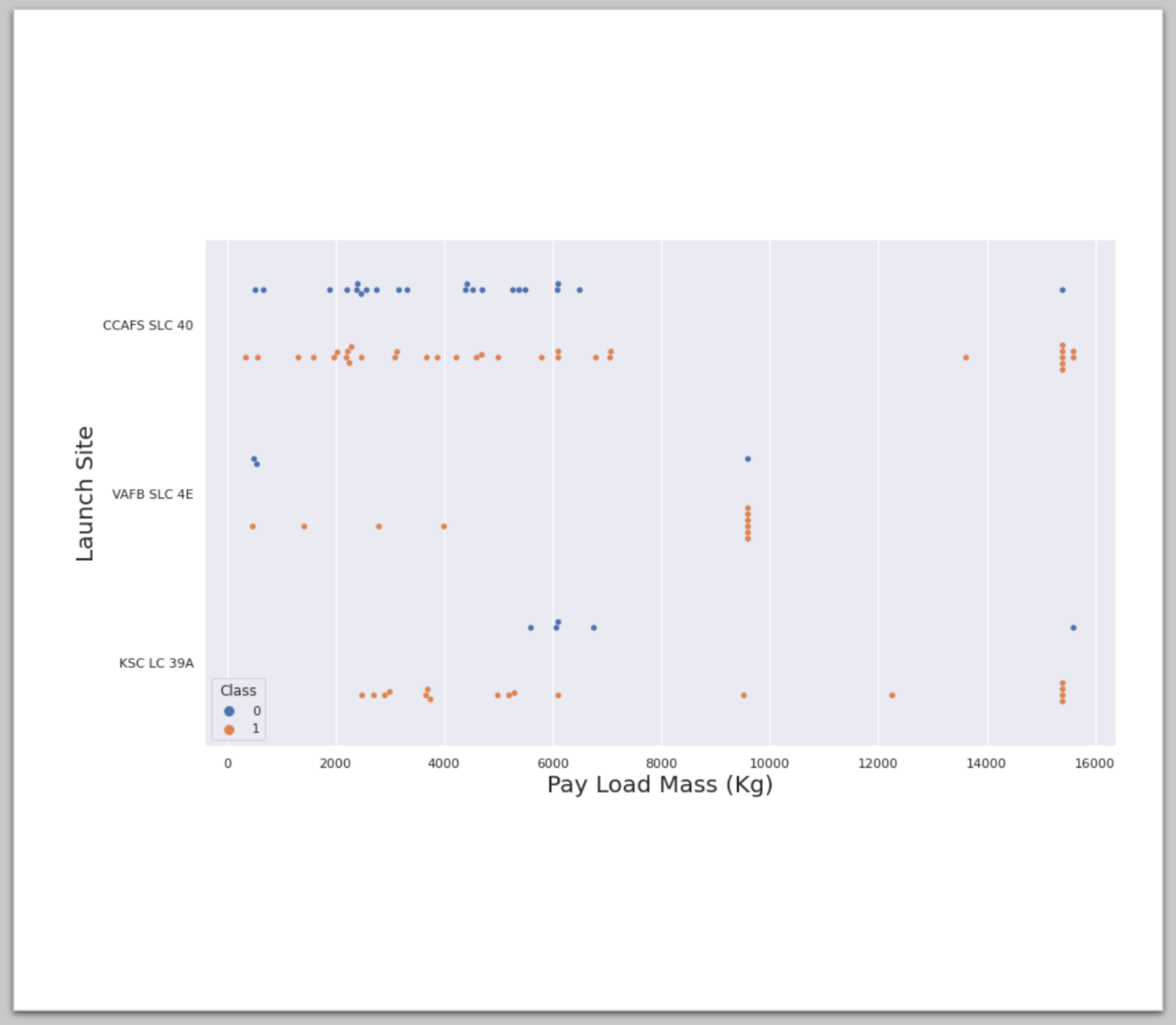
However, site CCAFS SLC40 shows the least pattern of this.



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.

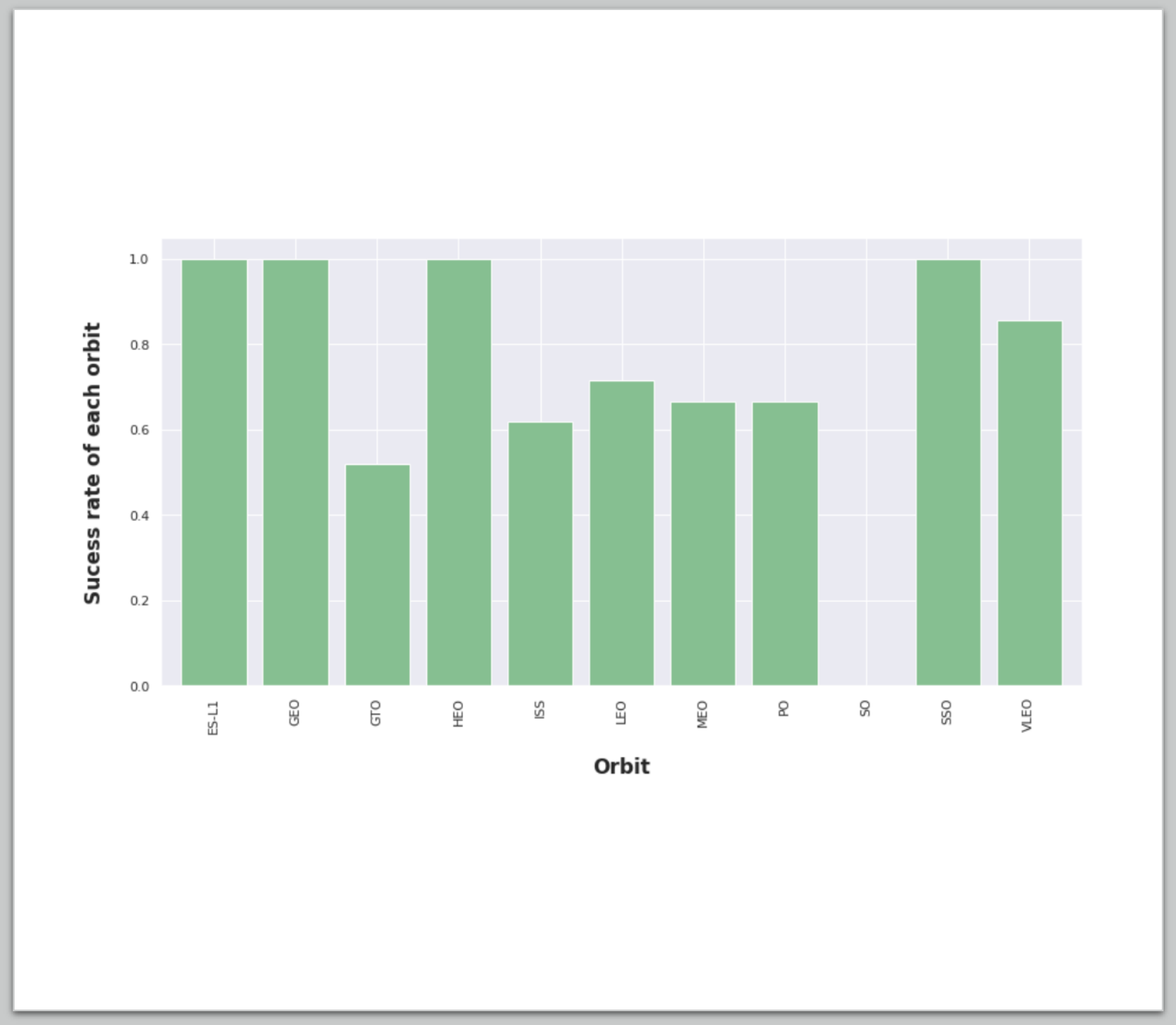
However, there is no clear pattern to say the launch site is dependent to the pay load mass for the success rate



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.

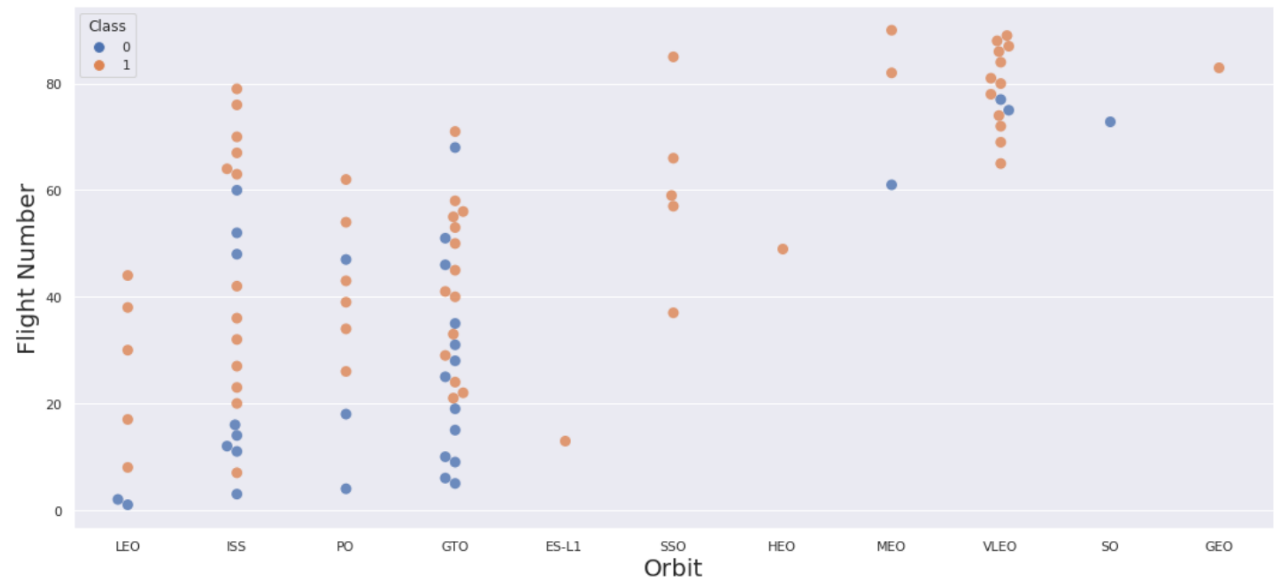
However, deeper analysis show that some of this orbits has only 1 occurrence such as GEO, SO, HEO and ES-L1 which mean this data need more dataset to see pattern or trend before we draw any conclusion.



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.

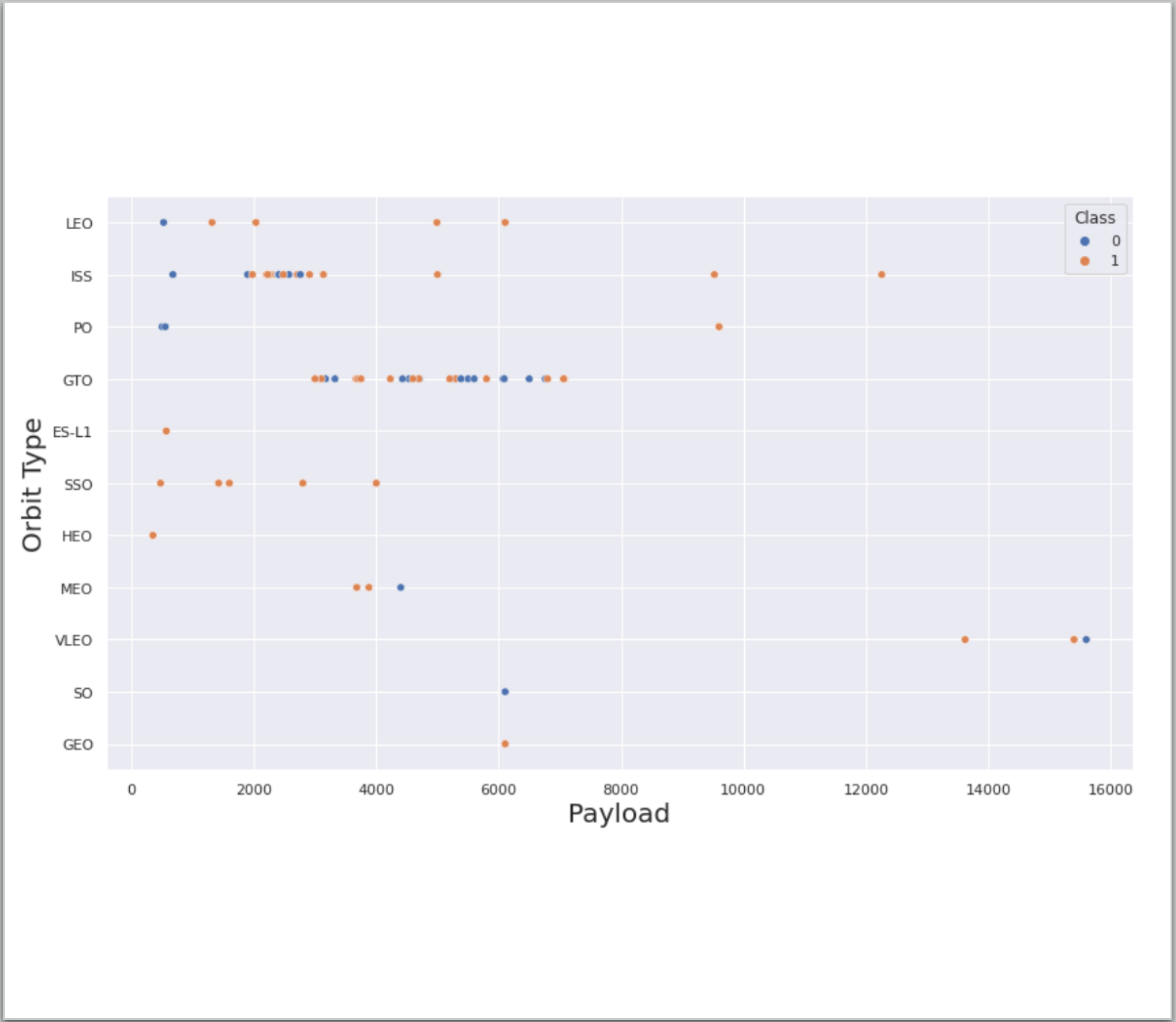


Payload vs. Orbit Type

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.

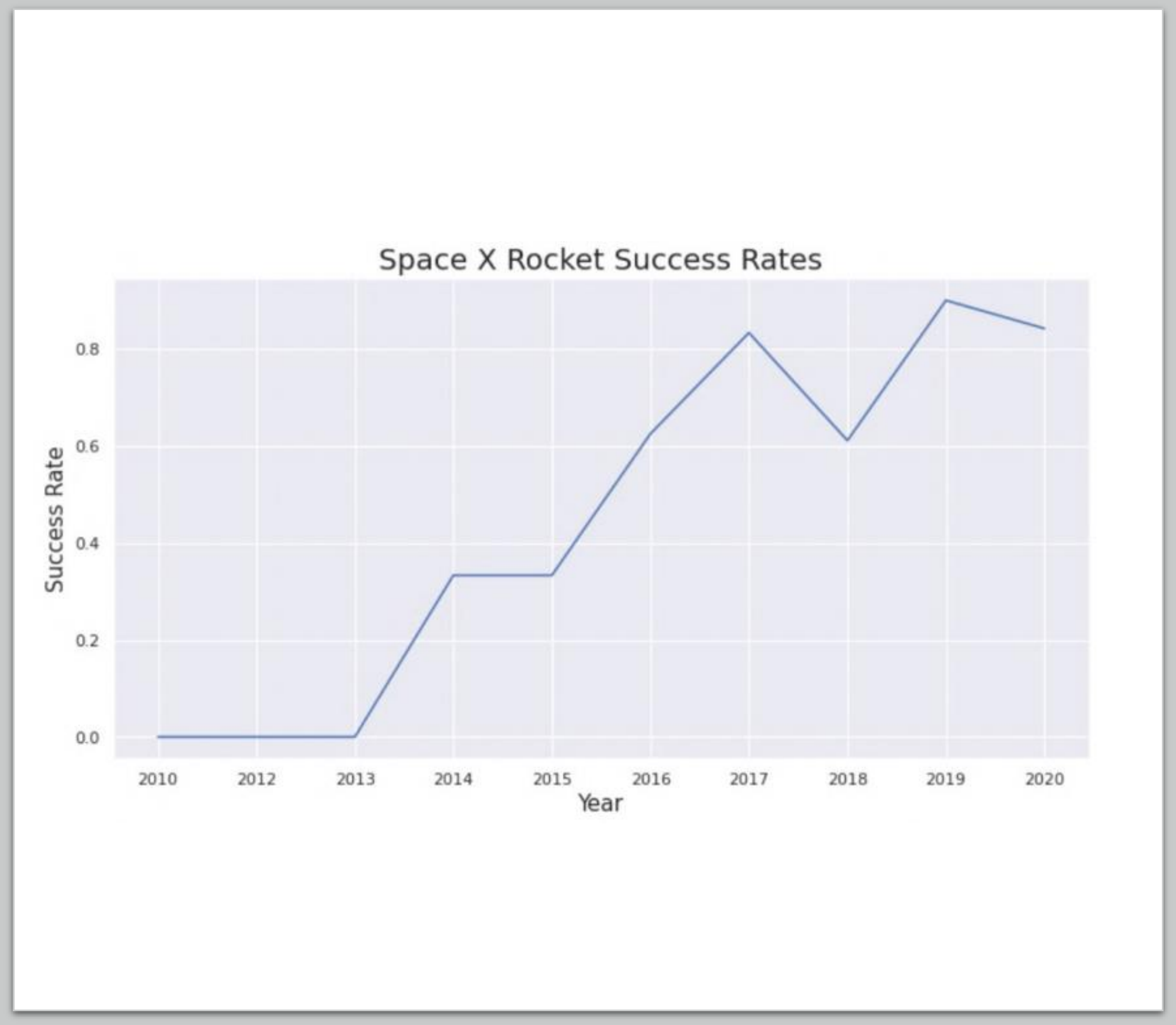
Meanwhile, again, SO, GEO and HEO orbit need more dataset to see any pattern or trends



Launch Success Yearly Trend

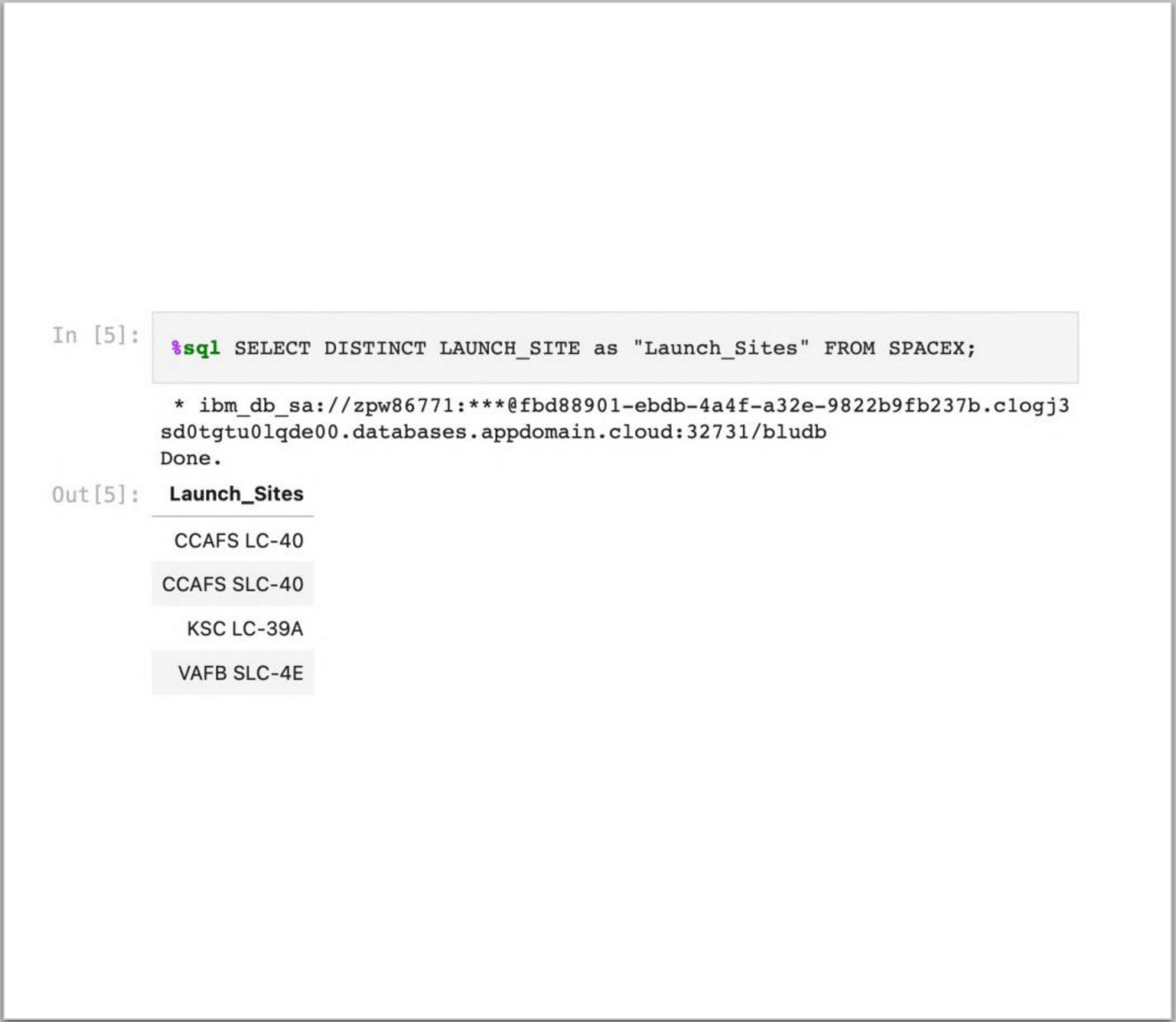
This figures clearly depicted and increasing trend from the year 2013 until 2020.

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

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



```
In [5]: %sql SELECT DISTINCT LAUNCH_SITE as "Launch_Sites" FROM SPACEX;

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sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32731/bludb
Done.
```
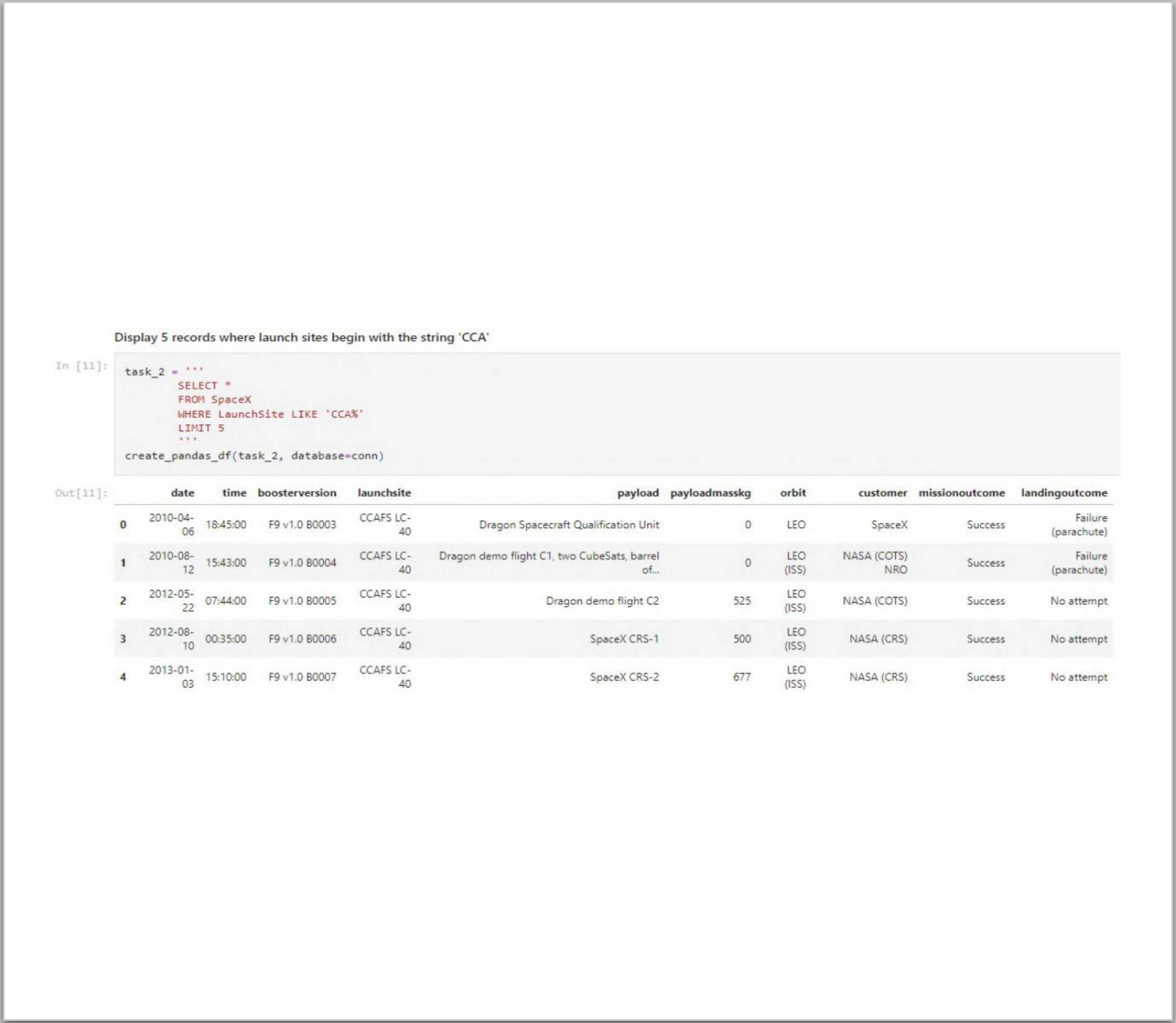

Out[5]:

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

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

Used the query above to display 5 records where launch sites begin with 'CCA'



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

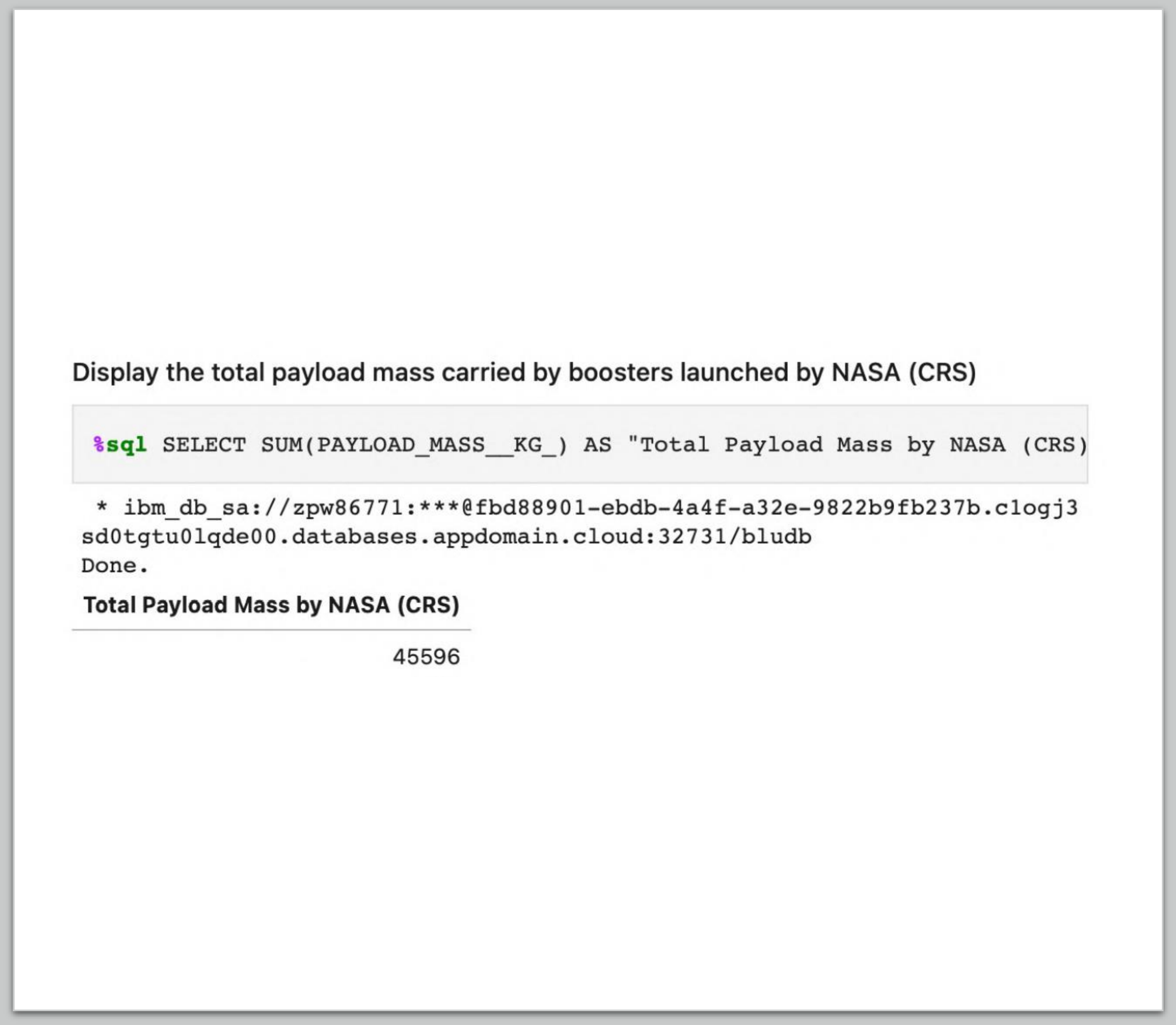
```
In [11]: task_2 = '''
                SELECT *
                FROM SpaceX
                WHERE LaunchSite LIKE 'CCA%'
                LIMIT 5
                '''
         create_pandas_df(task_2, database=conn)
```

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

Total Payload Mass

Calculated the total payload carried by boosters from NASA as 45596 using the query as shown



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

```
%sql SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) AS "Total Payload Mass by NASA (CRS)
```

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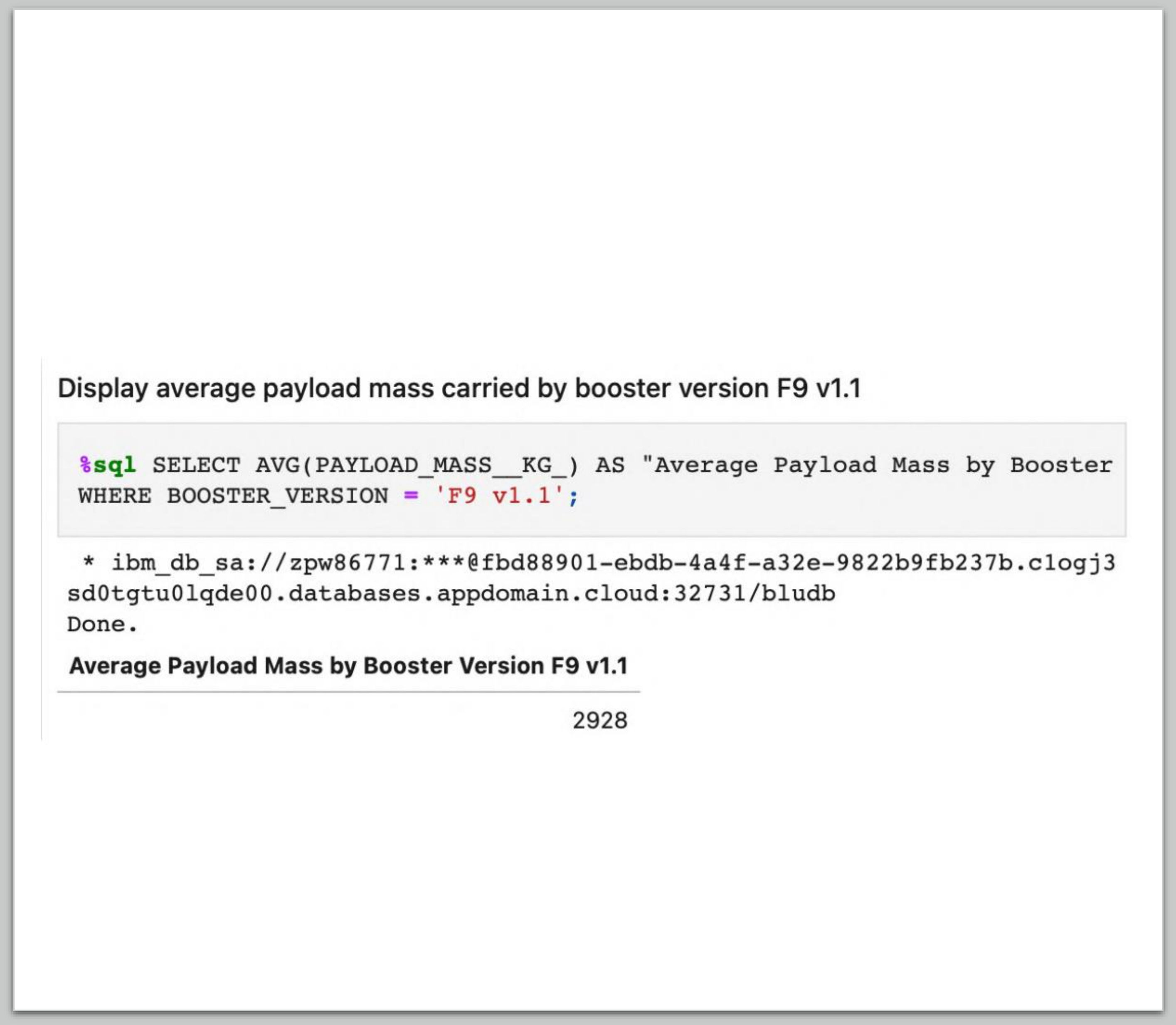
Done.
```

Total Payload Mass by NASA (CRS)
45596

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

Calculated the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1 as 2928



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

```
%sql SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) AS "Average Payload Mass by Booster
WHERE BOOSTER_VERSION = 'F9 v1.1';
```

```
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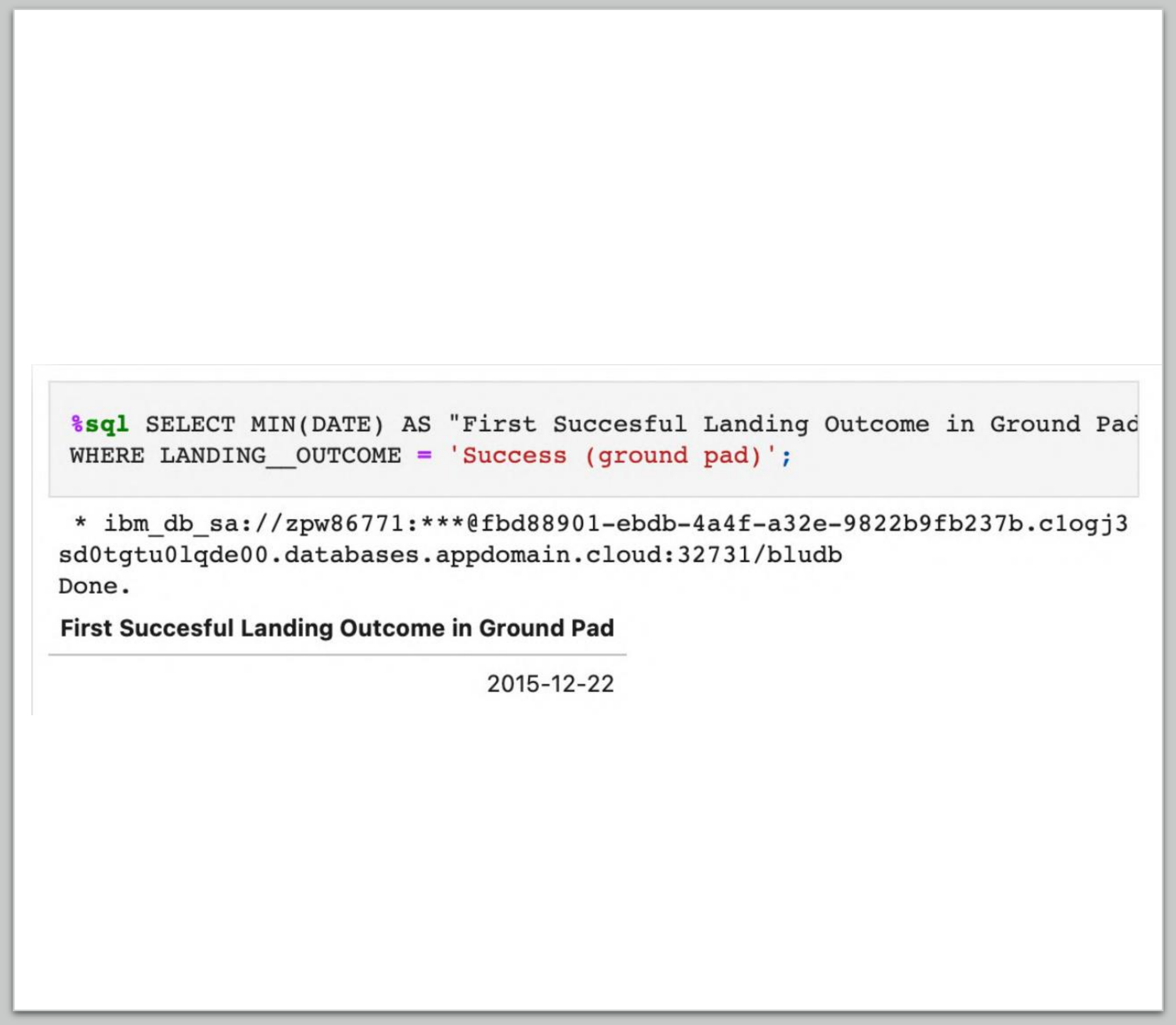
sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32731/bludb
Done.
```

Average Payload Mass by Booster Version F9 v1.1
2928

First Successful Ground Landing Date

Use the min() function to find the result

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



```
%sql SELECT MIN(DATE) AS "First Succesful Landing Outcome in Ground Pad
WHERE LANDING__OUTCOME = 'Success (ground pad)';
```

```
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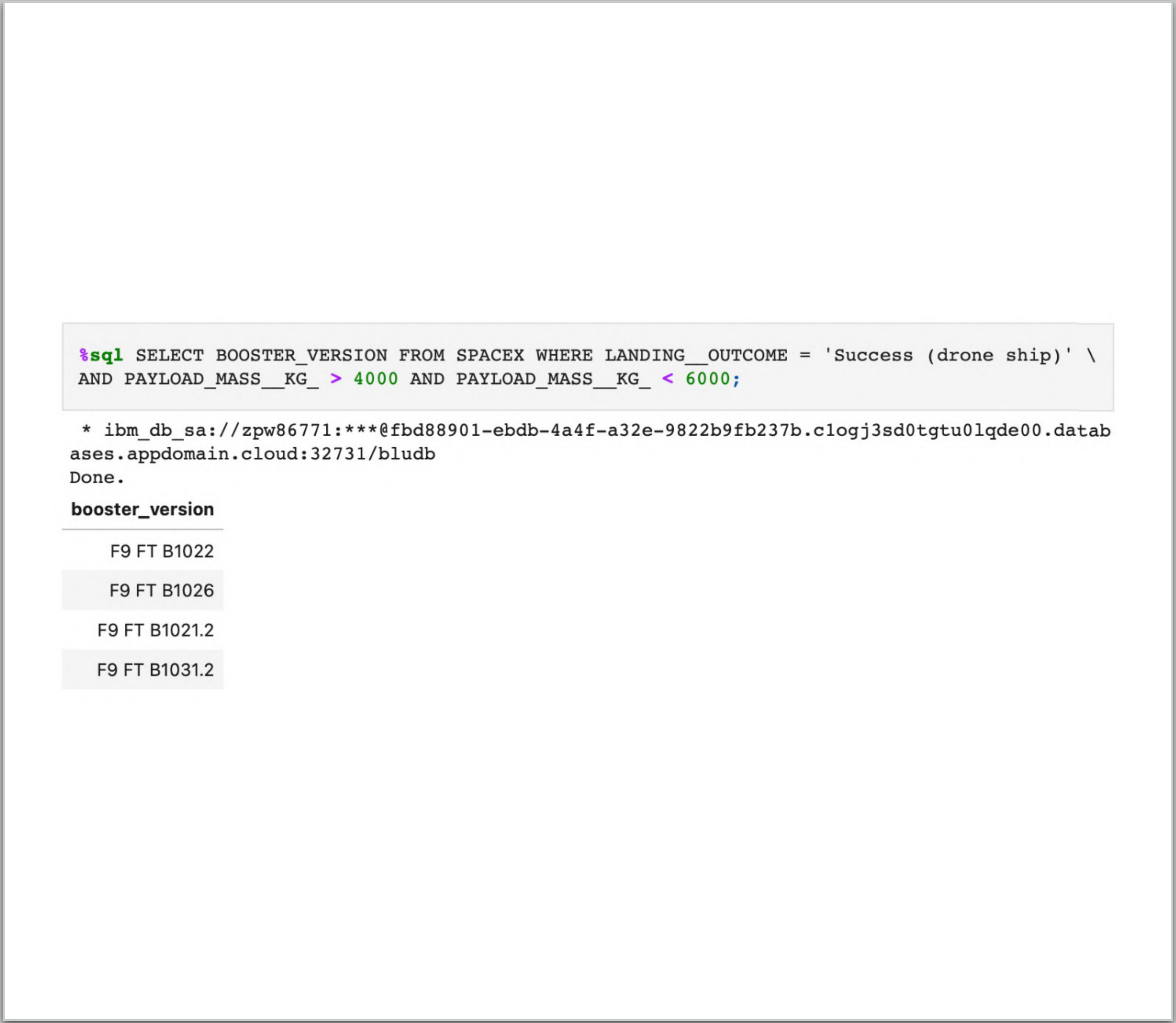
sd0tgtu01qde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32731/bludb
Done.
```

First Succesful Landing Outcome in Ground Pad
2015-12-22

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

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



```
%sql SELECT BOOSTER_VERSION FROM SPACEX WHERE LANDING__OUTCOME = 'Success (drone ship)' \
AND PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ > 4000 AND PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ < 6000;
```

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Done.
```
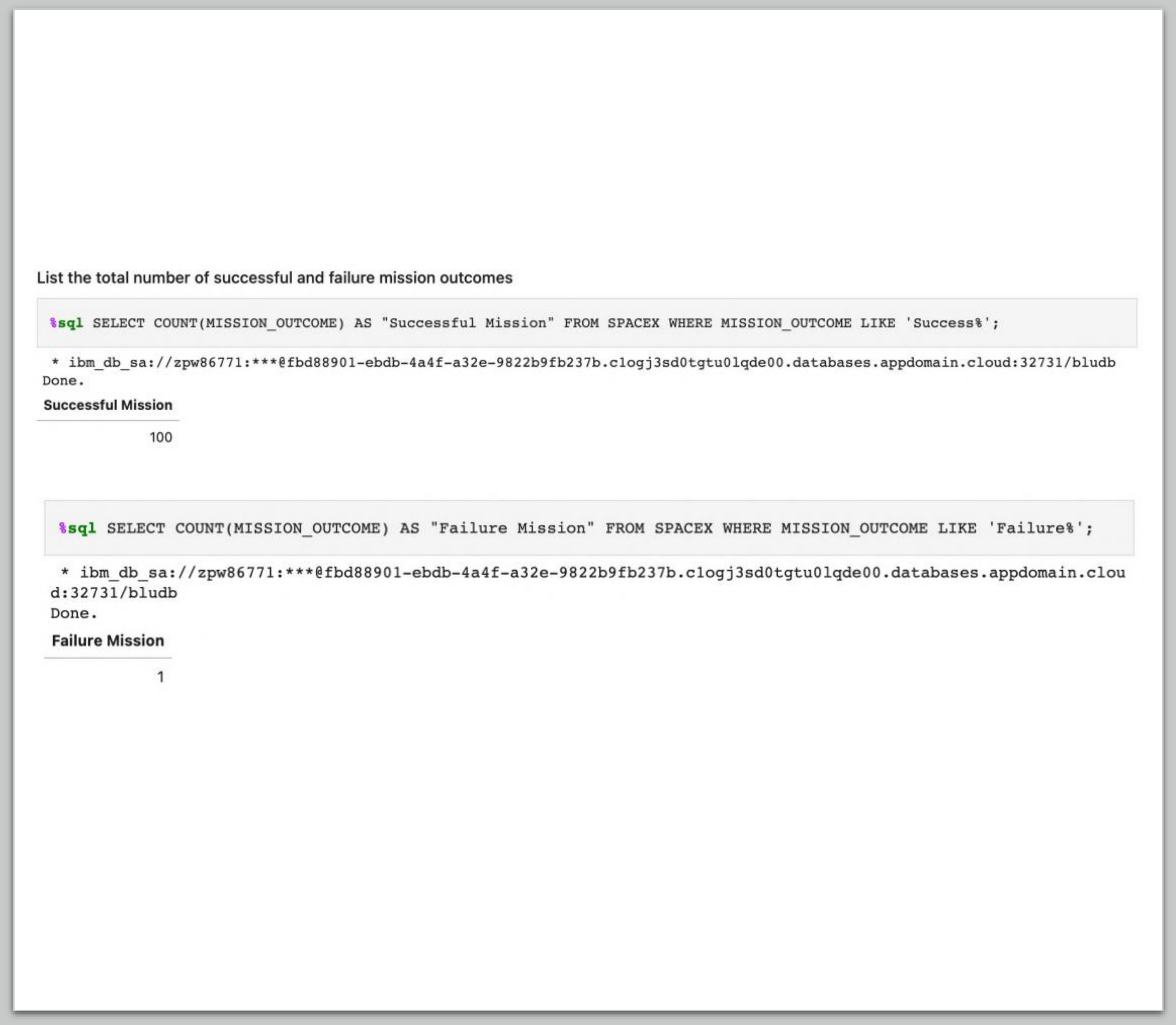

booster_version
F9 FT B1022
F9 FT B1026
F9 FT B1021.2
F9 FT B1031.2

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

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



List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

```
%sql SELECT COUNT(MISSION_OUTCOME) AS "Successful Mission" FROM SPACEX WHERE MISSION_OUTCOME LIKE 'Success%';
```

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Done.
```

Successful Mission
100

```
%sql SELECT COUNT(MISSION_OUTCOME) AS "Failure Mission" FROM SPACEX WHERE MISSION_OUTCOME LIKE 'Failure%';
```

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Done.
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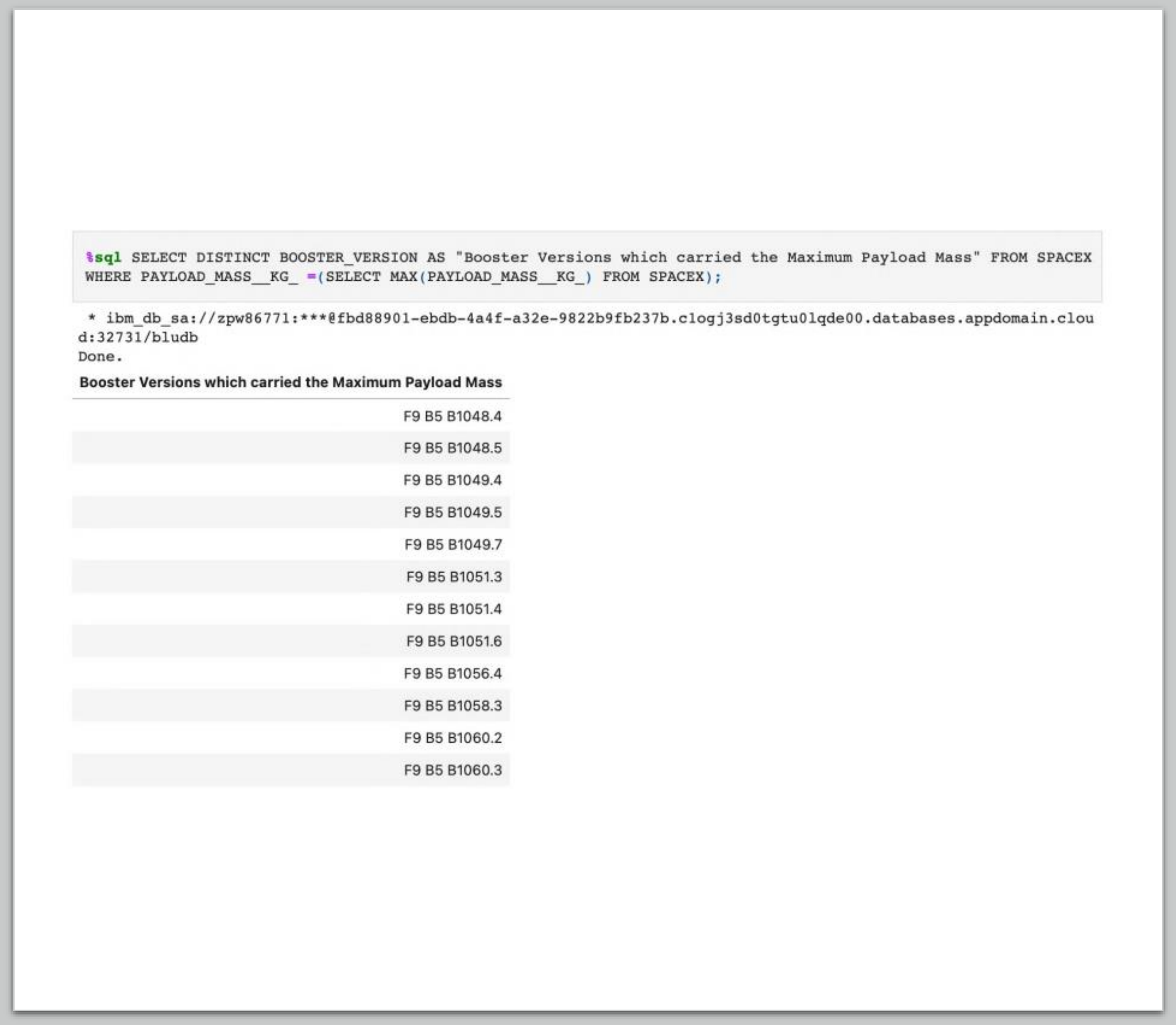
Failure Mission
1

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

Determined the booster that have carried the maximum payload using a subquery in the **WHERE** clause and the **MAX()** function.



```
%sql SELECT DISTINCT BOOSTER_VERSION AS "Booster Versions which carried the Maximum Payload Mass" FROM SPACEX
WHERE PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ =(SELECT MAX(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) FROM SPACEX);
```

```
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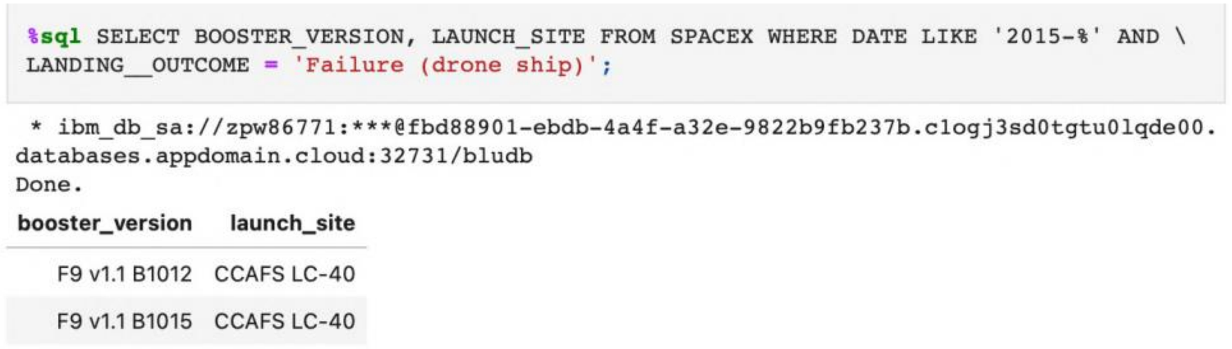
Booster Versions which carried the Maximum Payload Mass
F9 B5 B1048.4
F9 B5 B1048.5
F9 B5 B1049.4
F9 B5 B1049.5
F9 B5 B1049.7
F9 B5 B1051.3
F9 B5 B1051.4
F9 B5 B1051.6
F9 B5 B1056.4
F9 B5 B1058.3
F9 B5 B1060.2
F9 B5 B1060.3

2015 Launch Records

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



```
%sql SELECT BOOSTER_VERSION, LAUNCH_SITE FROM SPACEX WHERE DATE LIKE '2015-%' AND \
LANDING__OUTCOME = 'Failure (drone ship)';
```

```
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Done.
```
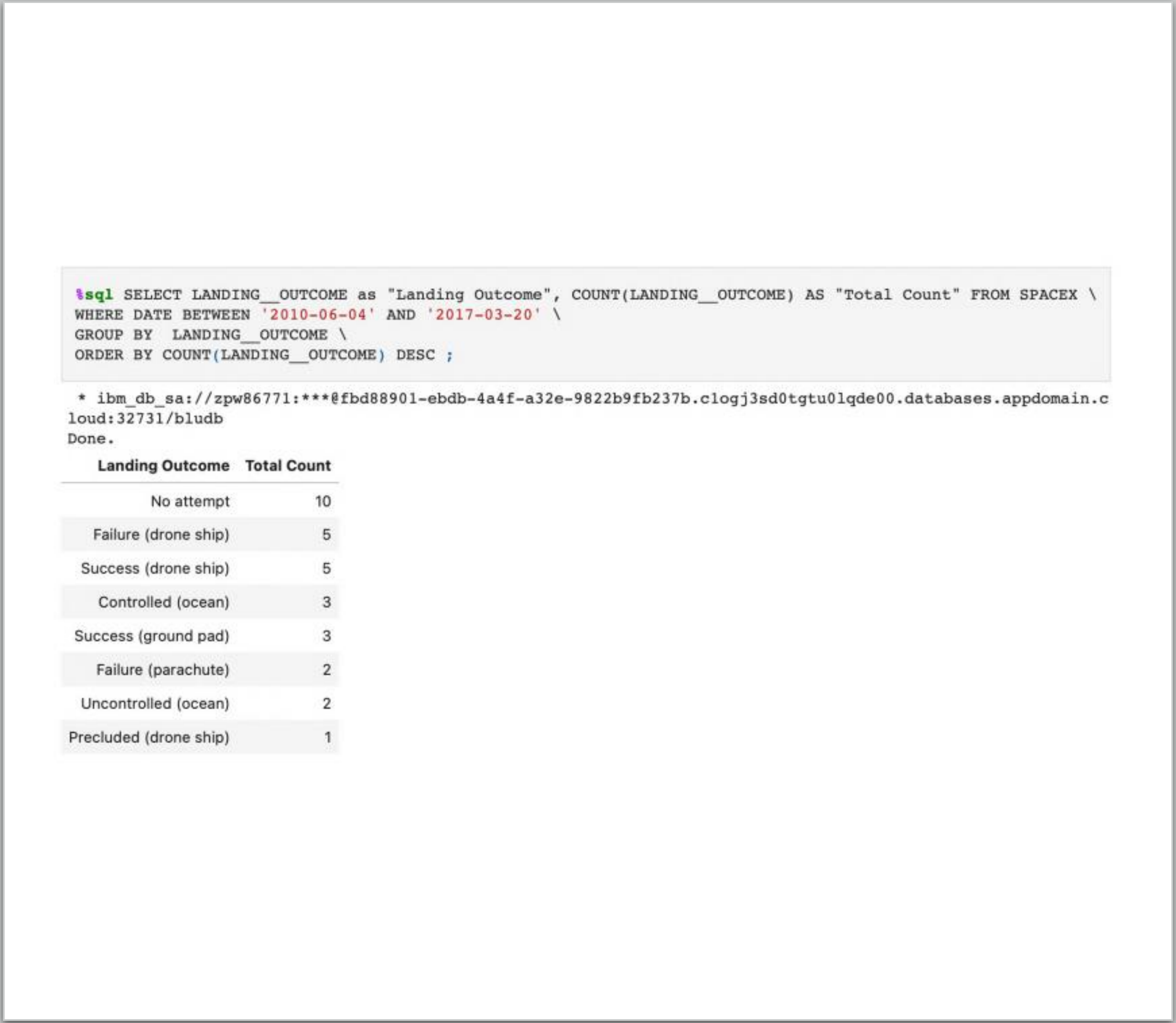

booster_version	launch_site
F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40
F9 v1.1 B1015	CCAFS LC-40

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

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.

Applied the **GROUP BY** clause to group the landing outcomes and the **ORDER BY** clause to order the grouped landing outcome in descending order.



```
%sql SELECT LANDING__OUTCOME as "Landing Outcome", COUNT(LANDING__OUTCOME) AS "Total Count" FROM SPACEX \
WHERE DATE BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20' \
GROUP BY  LANDING__OUTCOME \
ORDER BY COUNT(LANDING__OUTCOME) DESC ;
```

```
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Done.
```

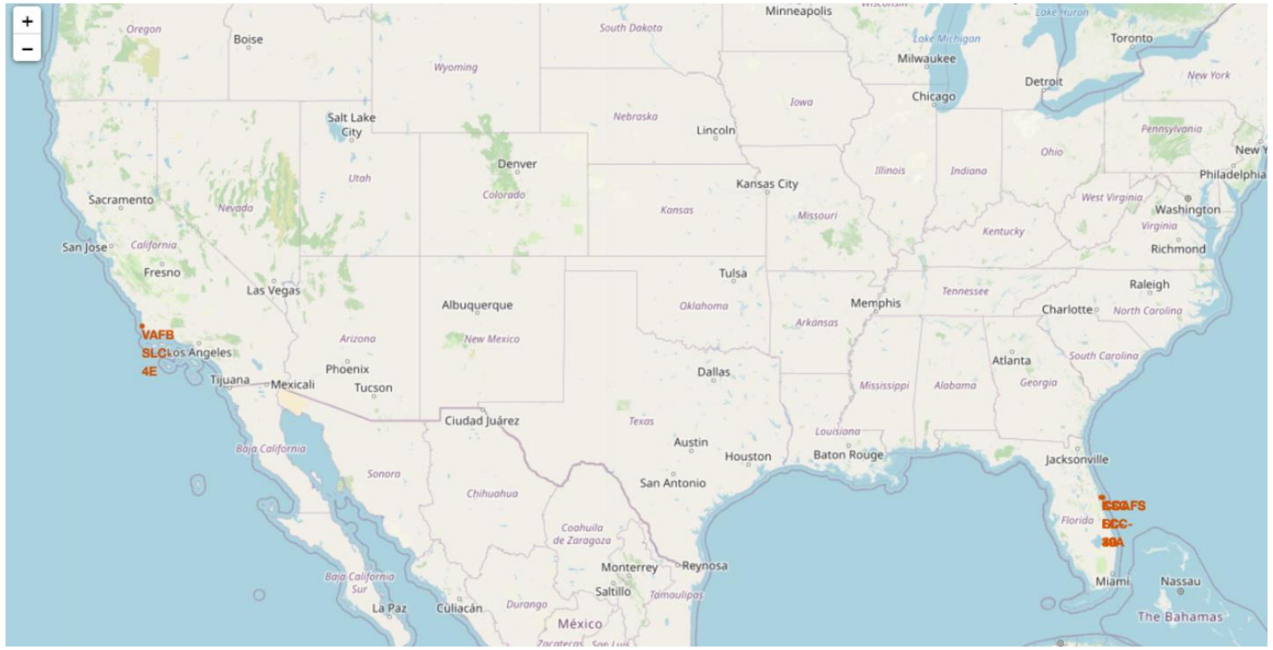
Landing Outcome	Total Count
No attempt	10
Failure (drone ship)	5
Success (drone ship)	5
Controlled (ocean)	3
Success (ground pad)	3
Failure (parachute)	2
Uncontrolled (ocean)	2
Precluded (drone ship)	1

Section 3

Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

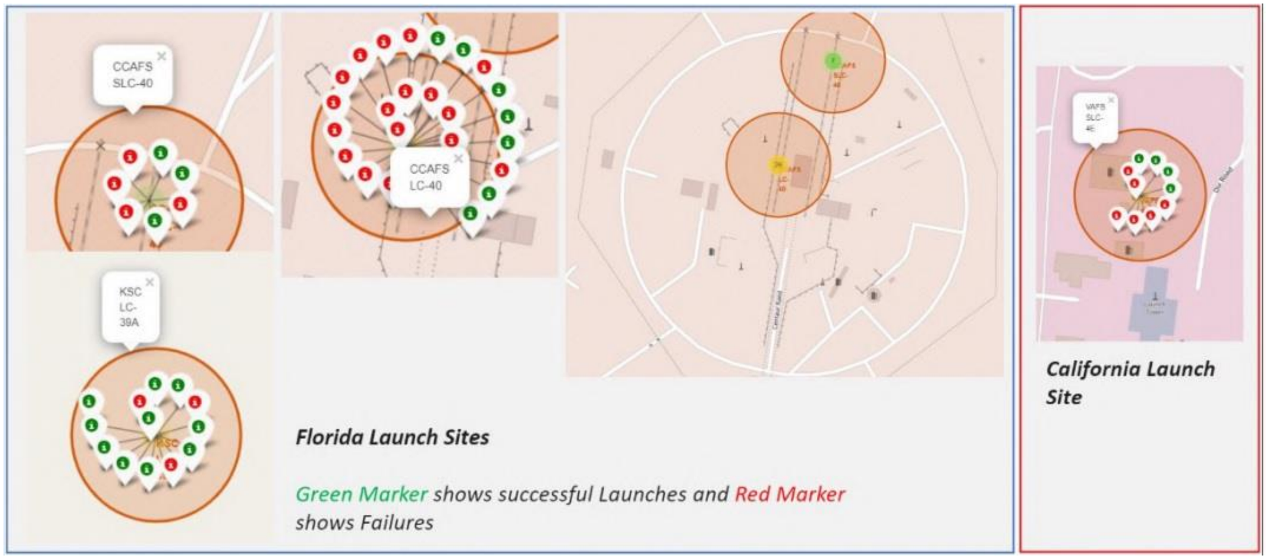
Location of all the Launch Sites

Able to see that all the SpaceX launch sites are located inside the United States



Markers showing launch sites with color labels

Green Marker shows Successful launches and Red Marker shows Failures

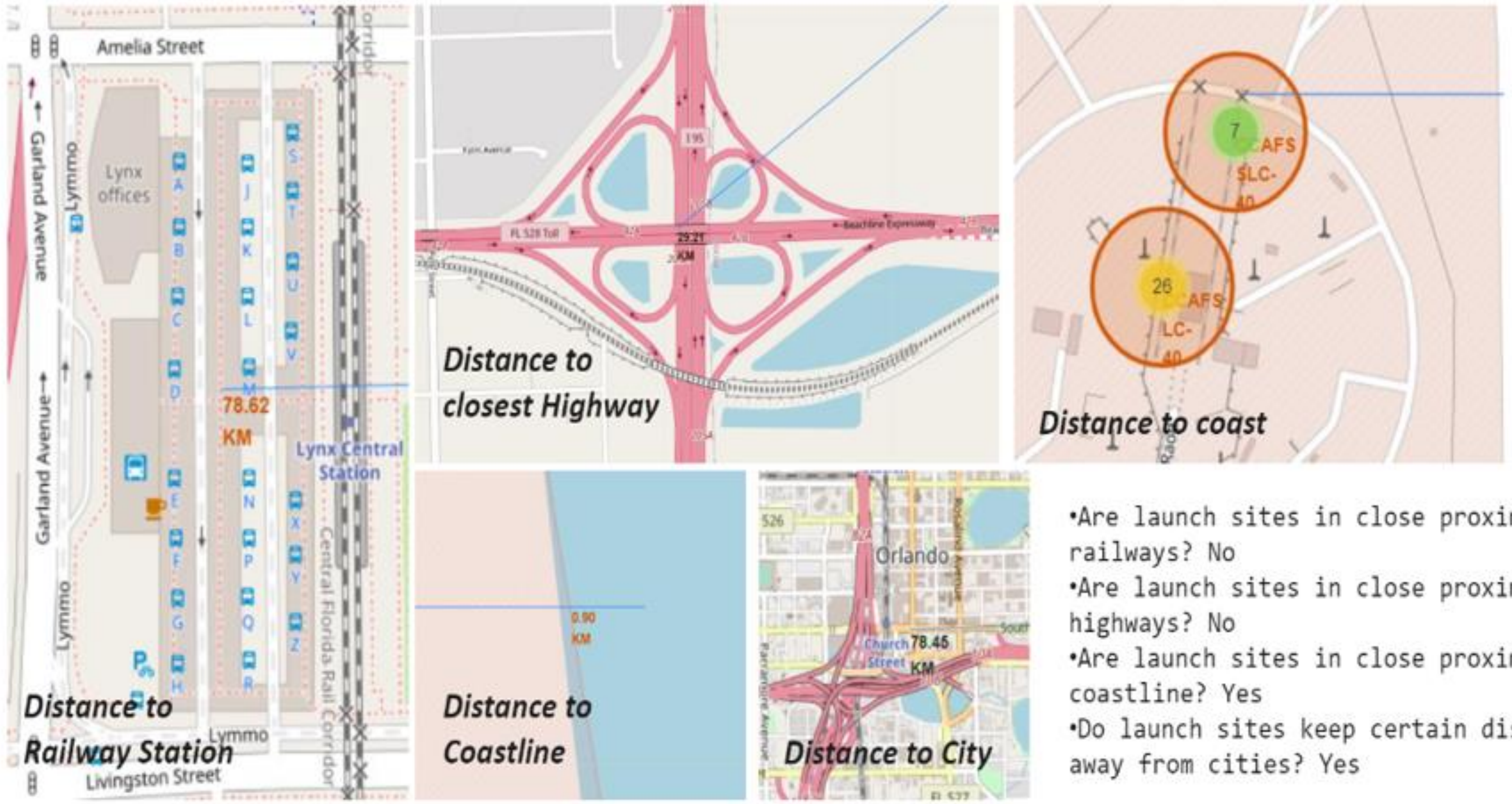


Florida Launch Sites

Green Marker shows successful Launches and Red Marker shows Failures

California Launch Site

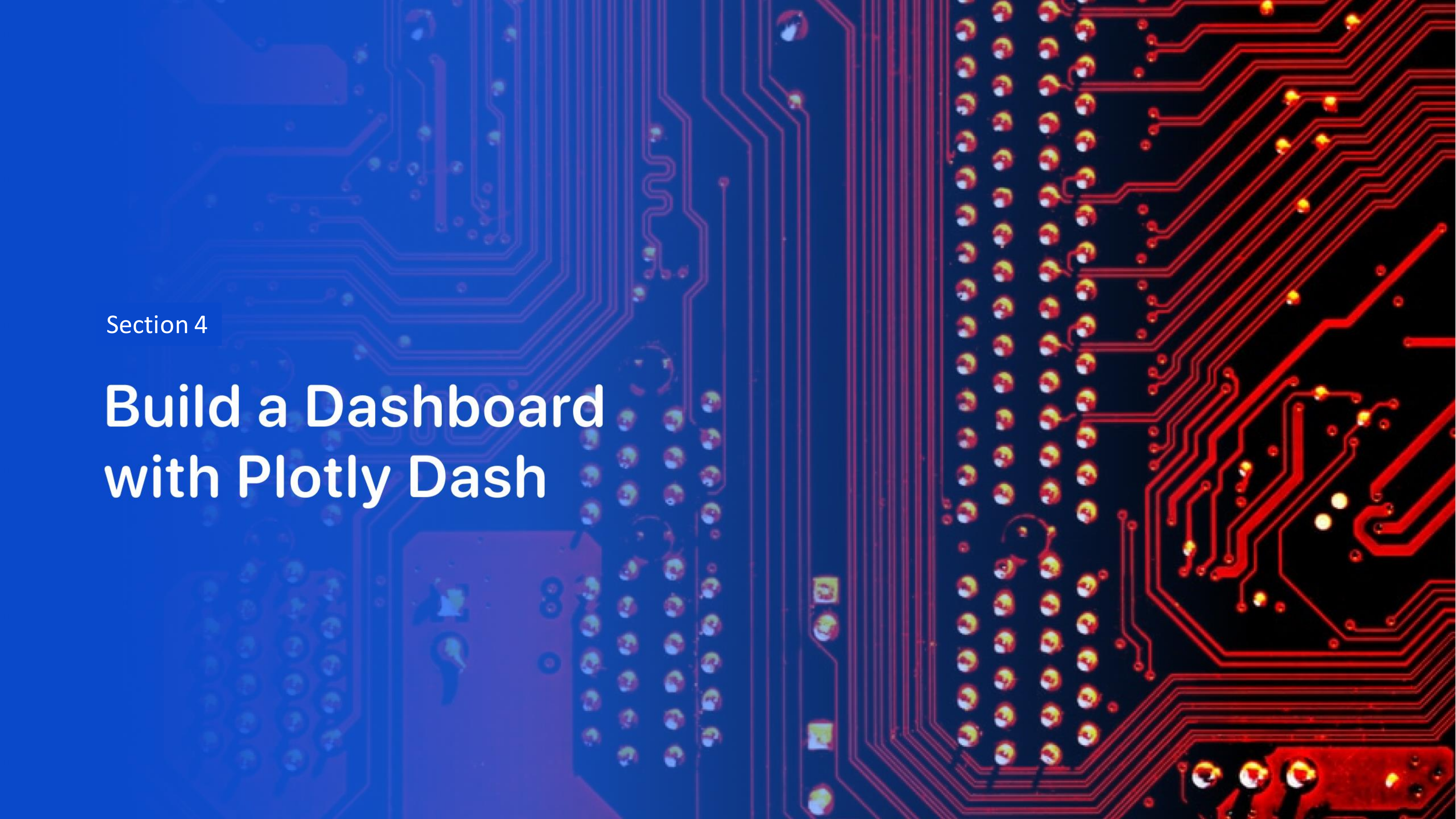
Launch Sites Distance to Landmarks



- 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



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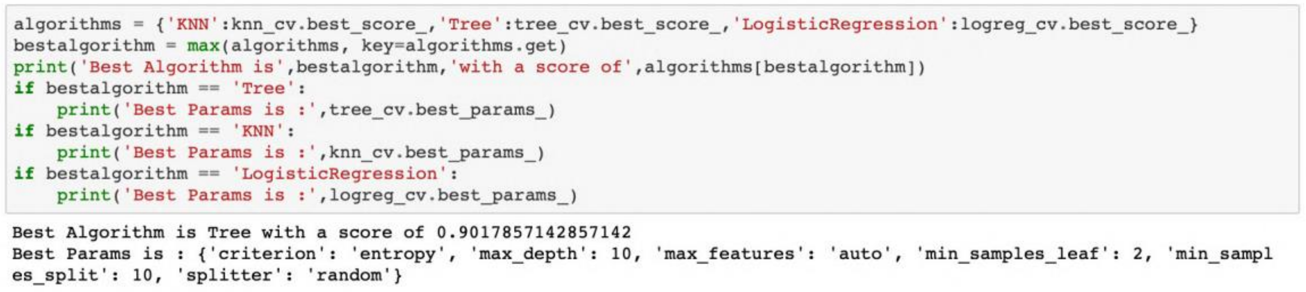
Section 5

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

Classification Accuracy

By using the code, the best algorithm is the Tree Algorithm which have the highest classification accuracy.



```python
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_)
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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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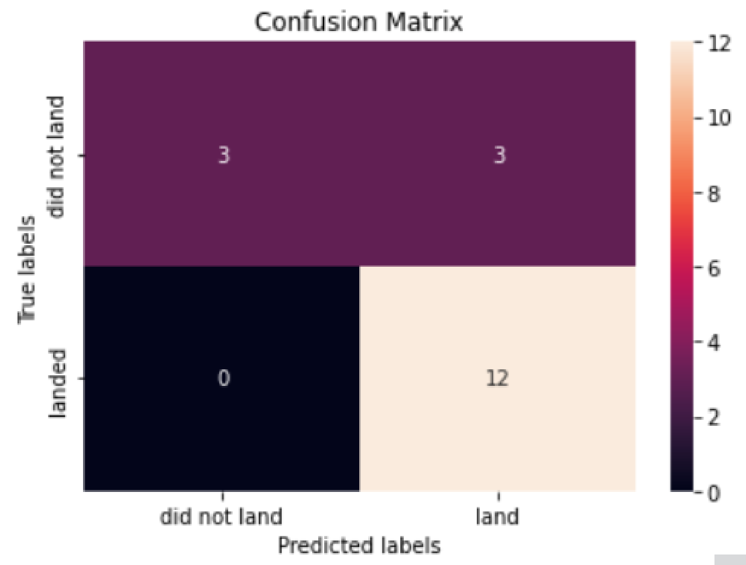
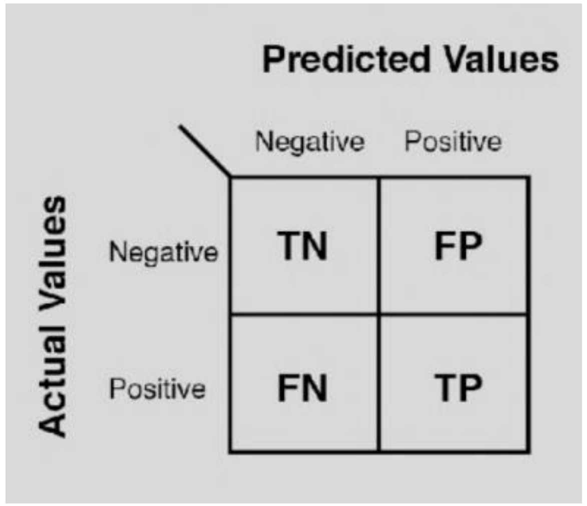
Confusion Matrix

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

- 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!