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# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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# Executive Summary

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# Introduction

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- Project background and context

SpaceX states that Falcon 9 rocket launches costs about 62 million dollars while other providers costs up to 165 million dollars each, this is because SpaceX can reuse the first stage and saves a lot of money. If it can be determined if the first stage will land, the cost of a launch can be calculated. This information can be used if another company wants to bid against SpaceX for a launch.

- Problems you want to find answers

This capstone project will predict if the Falcon 9 first stage will successfully land based on data from Falcon 9 rocket launches advertised on its website.



Section 1

# Methodology

# Methodology

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## Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
  - Describe how data was collected
- 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
  - How to build, tune, evaluate classification models

# Data Collection

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- How the data sets were collected

Data is first collected using SpaceX API by making a get request.

The SpaceX launch data was requested and parsed using the GET request and the JSON was converted into a Pandas data frame.

# Data Collection – SpaceX API

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## Task 1: Request and parse the SpaceX launch data using the GET request

To make the requested JSON results more consistent, we will use the following static response object for this project:

```
In [9]: static_json_url='https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DS0321EN-SkillsNetwork/datasets/API_
```

We should see that the request was successful with the 200 status response code

```
In [10]: response.status_code
```

```
Out[10]: 200
```

Now we decode the response content as a Json using `.json()` and turn it into a Pandas dataframe using `.json_normalize()`

```
In [12]: # Use json_normalize meethod to convert the json result into a dataframe  
data = pd.json_normalize(response.json())
```

- Data was collecting using the SpaceX API by making a get request then decoding the response content and turning it into a Pandas dataframe.
- This is the following Github URL of the complete code:

<https://github.com/johnny-zeng-analysis/Coursera-Python-Capstone-Project/blob/main/jupyter-labs-spacex-data-collection-api.ipynb>



# Data Collection - Scraping

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- Web scraped to collect Falcon 9 launch record from Wikipedia using BeautifulSoup and request to extract records.
- This is the following Github URL of the complete code:

<https://github.com/johnny-zeng-analysis/Coursera-Python-Capstone-Project/blob/main/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.

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

Create a BeautifulSoup object from the HTML response

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

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

```
# Use soup.title attribute
soup.title
```

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

# Data Wrangling

- After creating a Pandas data frame from the data, it was filtered, missing data values were replaced with mean value of the column, and an outcome column was created.
- This is the following Github URL of the complete code:

<https://github.com/johnny-zeng-analysis/Coursera-Python-Capstone-Project/blob/main/labs-jupyter-spacex-Data%20wrangling.ipynb>

## TASK 4: Create a landing outcome label from Outcome column

Using the `Outcome`, create a list where the element is zero if the corresponding row in `Outcome` is in the set `bad_outcome`; otherwise, it's one. Then assign it to the variable `landing_class`:

```
# landing_class = 0 if bad_outcome
# landing_class = 1 otherwise

# Create a set of outcomes where the second stage did not land successfully
bad_outcomes = set(landing_outcomes.keys()[[1, 3, 5, 6, 7]])

# Create a new column 'landing_class' based on conditions
df['landing_class'] = np.where(df['Outcome'].isin(bad_outcomes), 0, 1)
```

This variable will represent the classification variable that represents the outcome of each launch. If the value is zero, the first stage did not land successfully; one means the first stage landed Successfully

```
#df['Class']=landing_class
#df[['Class']].head(8)

df[['Outcome', 'landing_class']].head(8)
```

|   | Outcome     | landing_class |
|---|-------------|---------------|
| 0 | None None   | 0             |
| 1 | None None   | 0             |
| 2 | None None   | 0             |
| 3 | False Ocean | 0             |
| 4 | None None   | 0             |
| 5 | None None   | 0             |
| 6 | True Ocean  | 1             |
| 7 | True Ocean  | 1             |

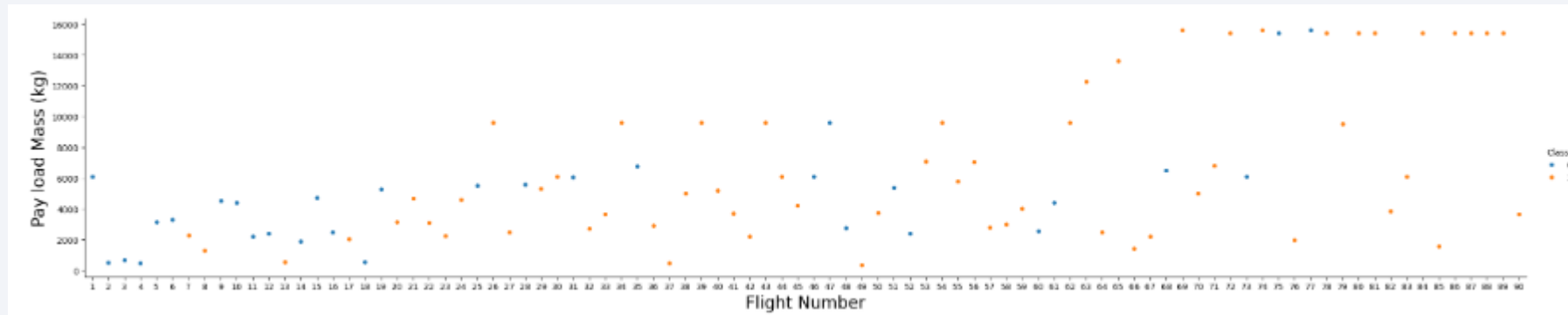
# EDA with Data Visualization

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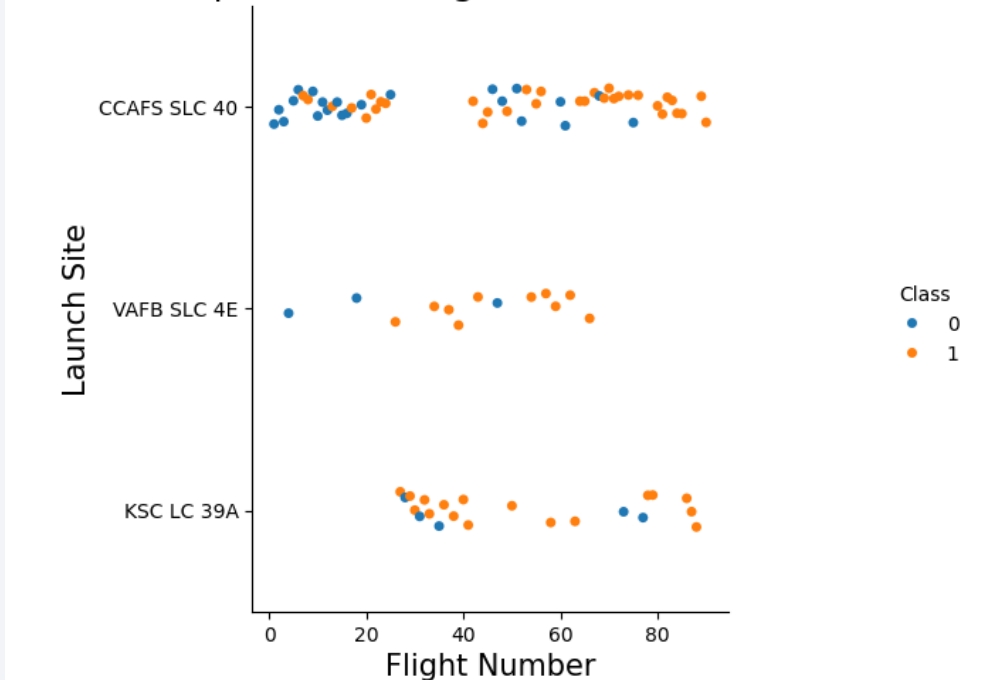
- Data analysis was performed using Pandas and Matplotlib
- Scatter plots, bar charts, and line charts were used to visualize the data
- This is the following Github URL of the complete code:

<https://github.com/johnny-zeng-analysis/Coursera-Python-Capstone-Project/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-dataviz.ipynb.jupyterlite.ipynb>

# EDA with Data Visualization



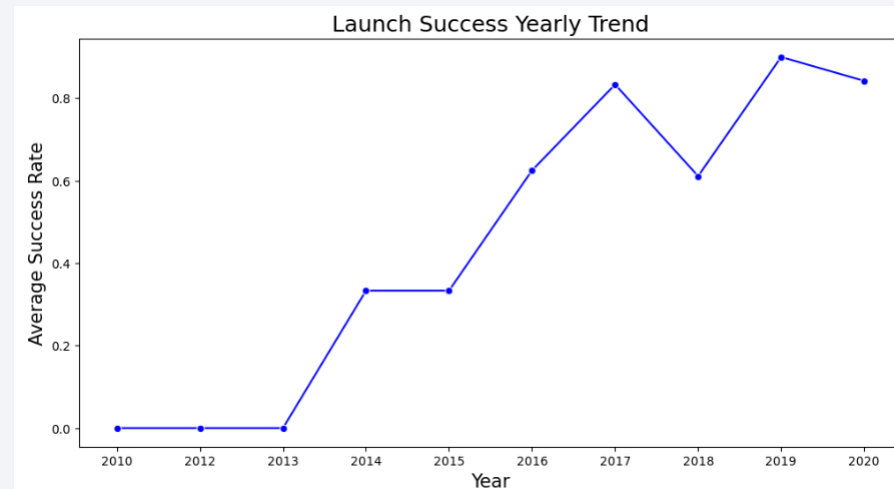
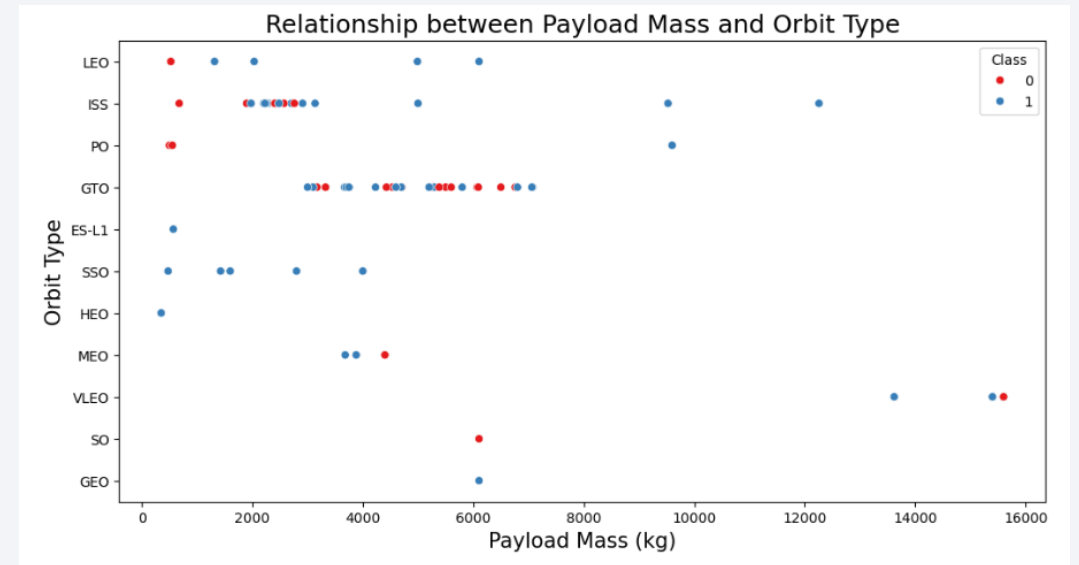
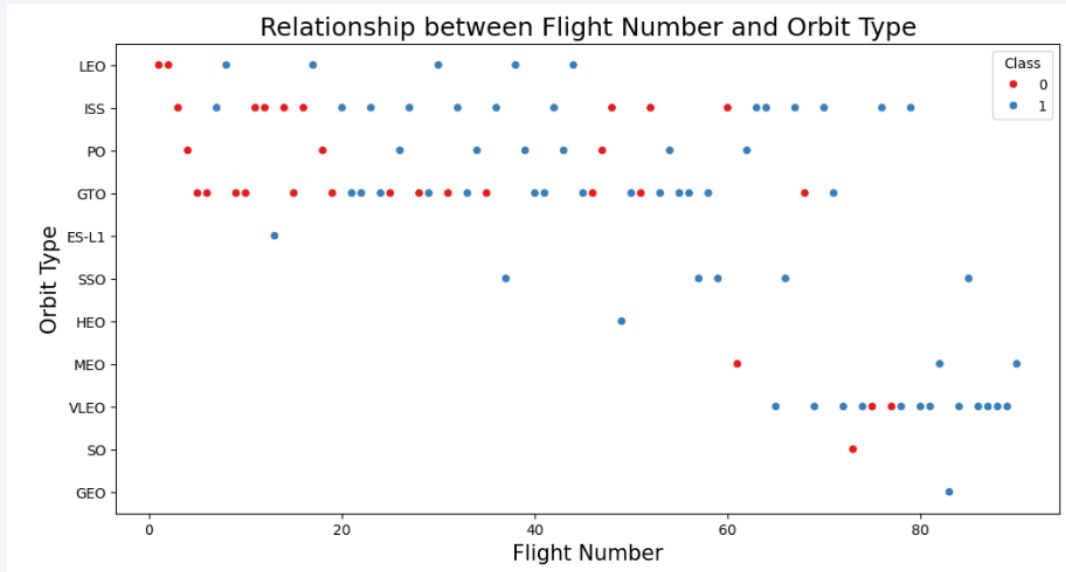
Relationship between Flight Number and Launch Site







# EDA with Data Visualization



# EDA with SQL

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- SQL was used to perform various queries such as, names of unique launch sites, launch sites beginning with specific strings, total payload mass carried by boosters, average payload mass carried by booster version F9, dates of successful landing outcomes, and many more.
- This is the following Github URL of the complete code:

[https://github.com/johnny-zeng-analysis/Coursera-Python-Capstone-Project/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-sql-coursera\\_sqlite.ipynb](https://github.com/johnny-zeng-analysis/Coursera-Python-Capstone-Project/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-sql-coursera_sqlite.ipynb)

# Build an Interactive Map with Folium

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- Folium map with marked launch sites with markers, circles was created.
- This is the following Github URL of the complete code:

[https://github.com/johnny-zeng-analysis/Coursera-Python-Capstone-Project/blob/main/lab\\_jupyter\\_launch\\_site\\_location.jupyterlite.ipynb](https://github.com/johnny-zeng-analysis/Coursera-Python-Capstone-Project/blob/main/lab_jupyter_launch_site_location.jupyterlite.ipynb)

# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

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- An interactive dashboard application was created using Plotly dash which includes:
  - Launch Site Drop-down
  - Callback function to render success-pie-chart based on site dropdown selected
  - Range slider to select payload
  - Callback function to render success-payload-scatter-chart scatter plot

This is the following Github URL of the complete code:

[https://github.com/johnny-zeng-analysis/Coursera-Python-Capstone-Project/blob/main/labs\\_jupyter\\_dashboard\\_application\\_plotly\\_dash.py](https://github.com/johnny-zeng-analysis/Coursera-Python-Capstone-Project/blob/main/labs_jupyter_dashboard_application_plotly_dash.py)

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

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- 1- Loading the data as a Pandas Dataframe was the first step before performing exploratory Data analysis.
- 2- I then proceeded to create a Numpy array from the column class in data
- 3- Then I standardized the dataset (x) by transforming it using `preprocessing.StandardScaler()` from Sklearn
- 4- The data was then split into training and testing sets used for analysis



# Results

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





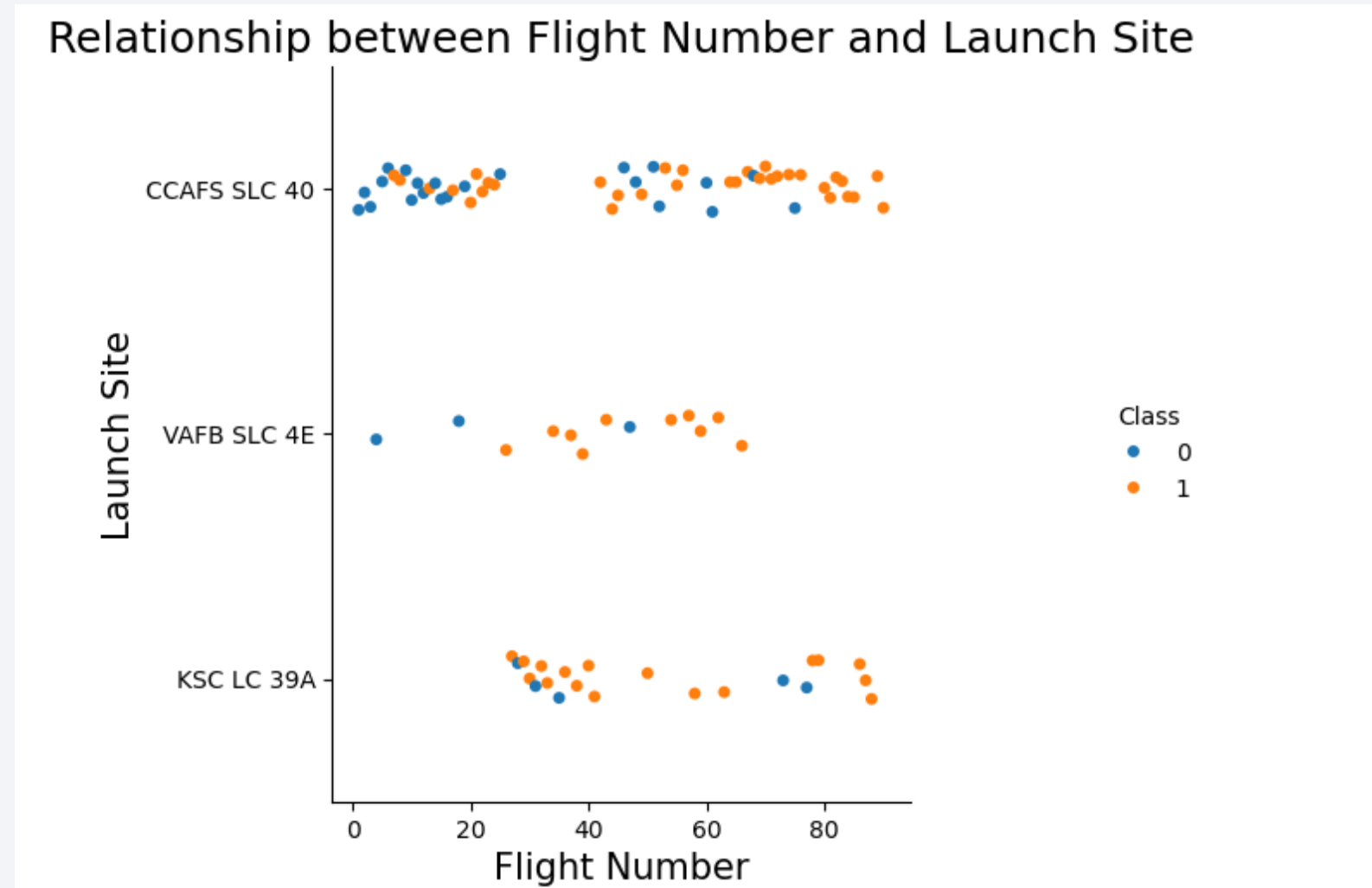
Section 2

# Insights drawn from EDA



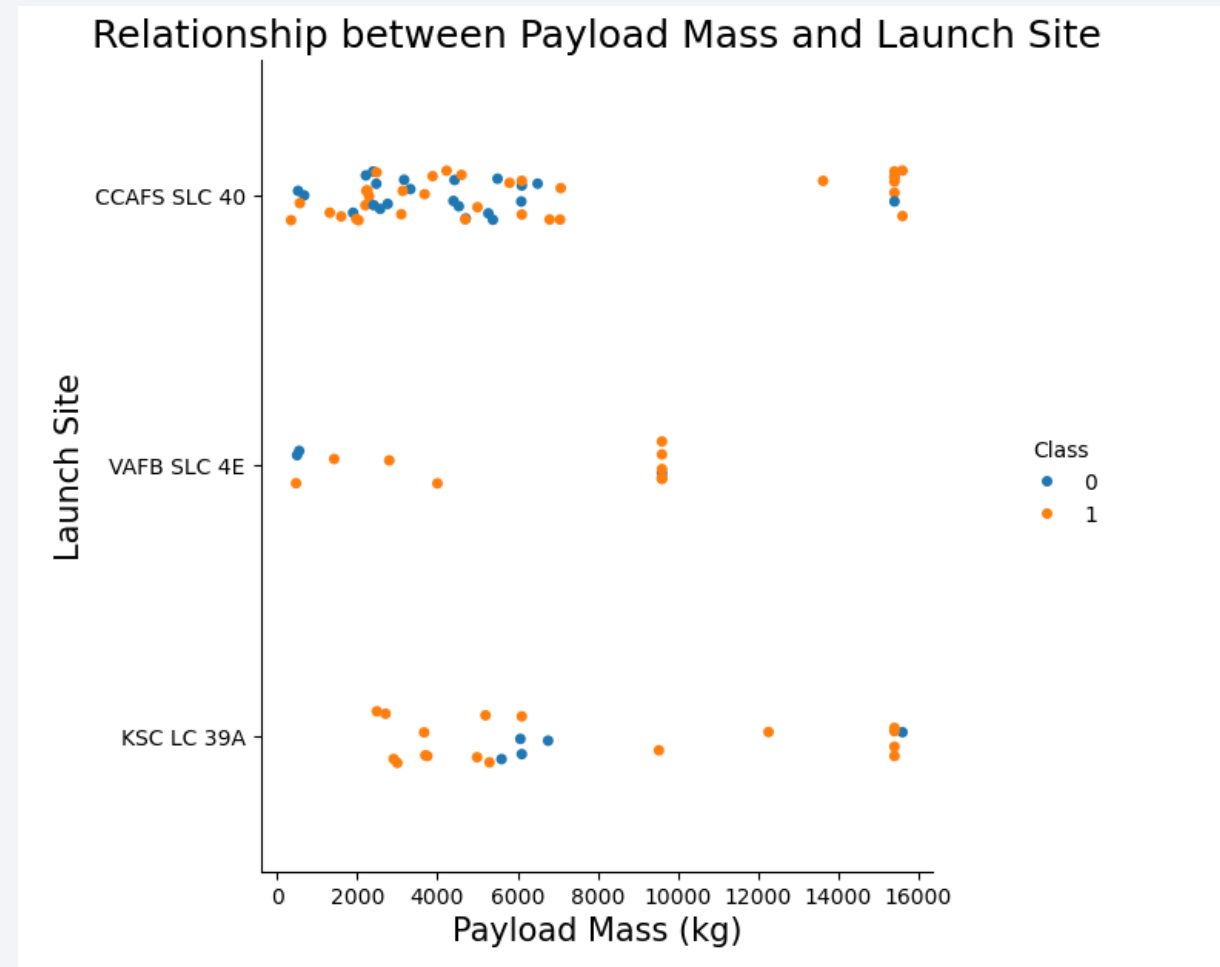
# Flight Number vs. Launch Site

The graphs shows as the flight number increases in each of the launch sites, the success rate also increases



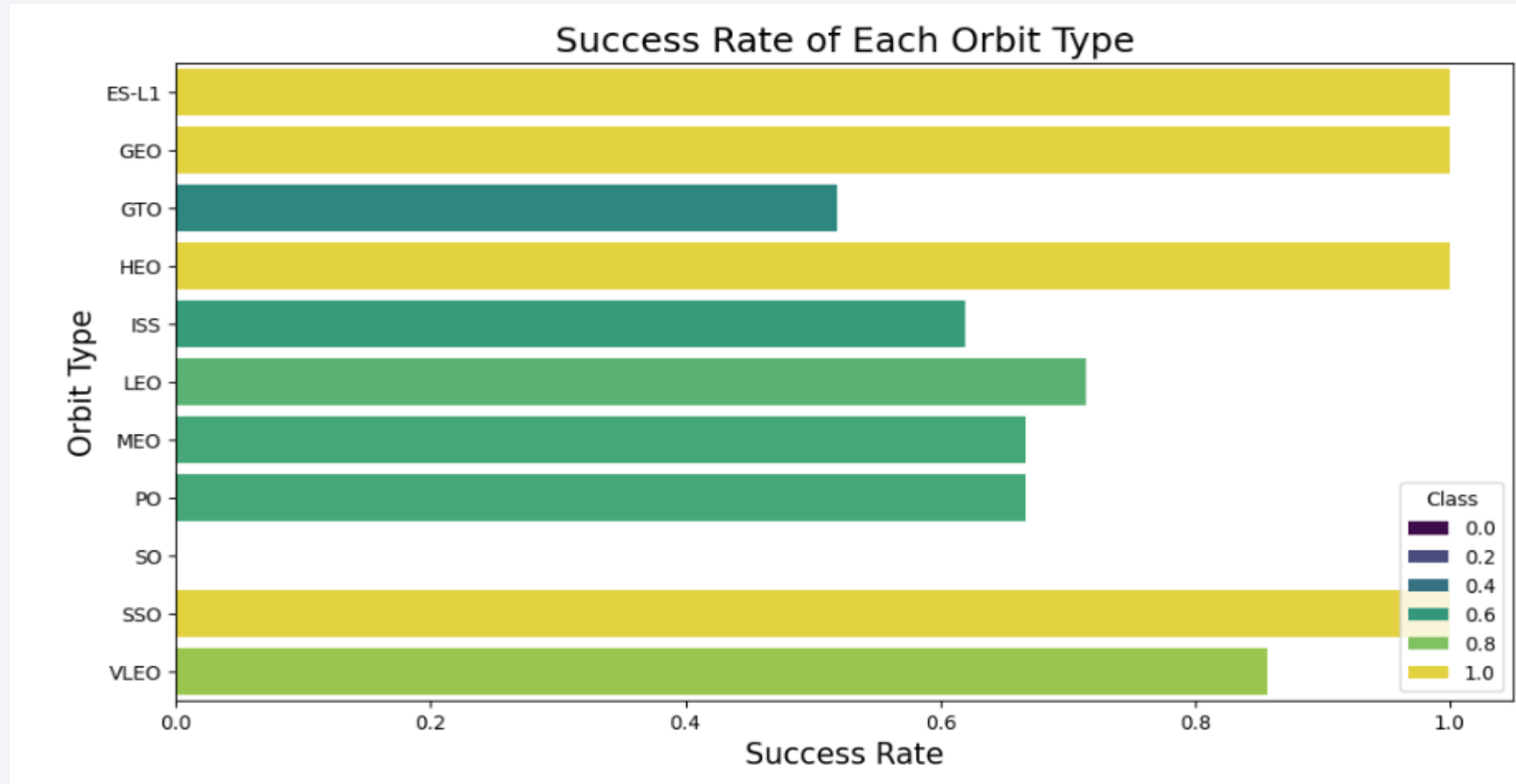
# Payload vs. Launch Site

- This chart shows that VAFB SLC 4E launchsite has no rockets launched with a payload mass greater than 10,000 kg



# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

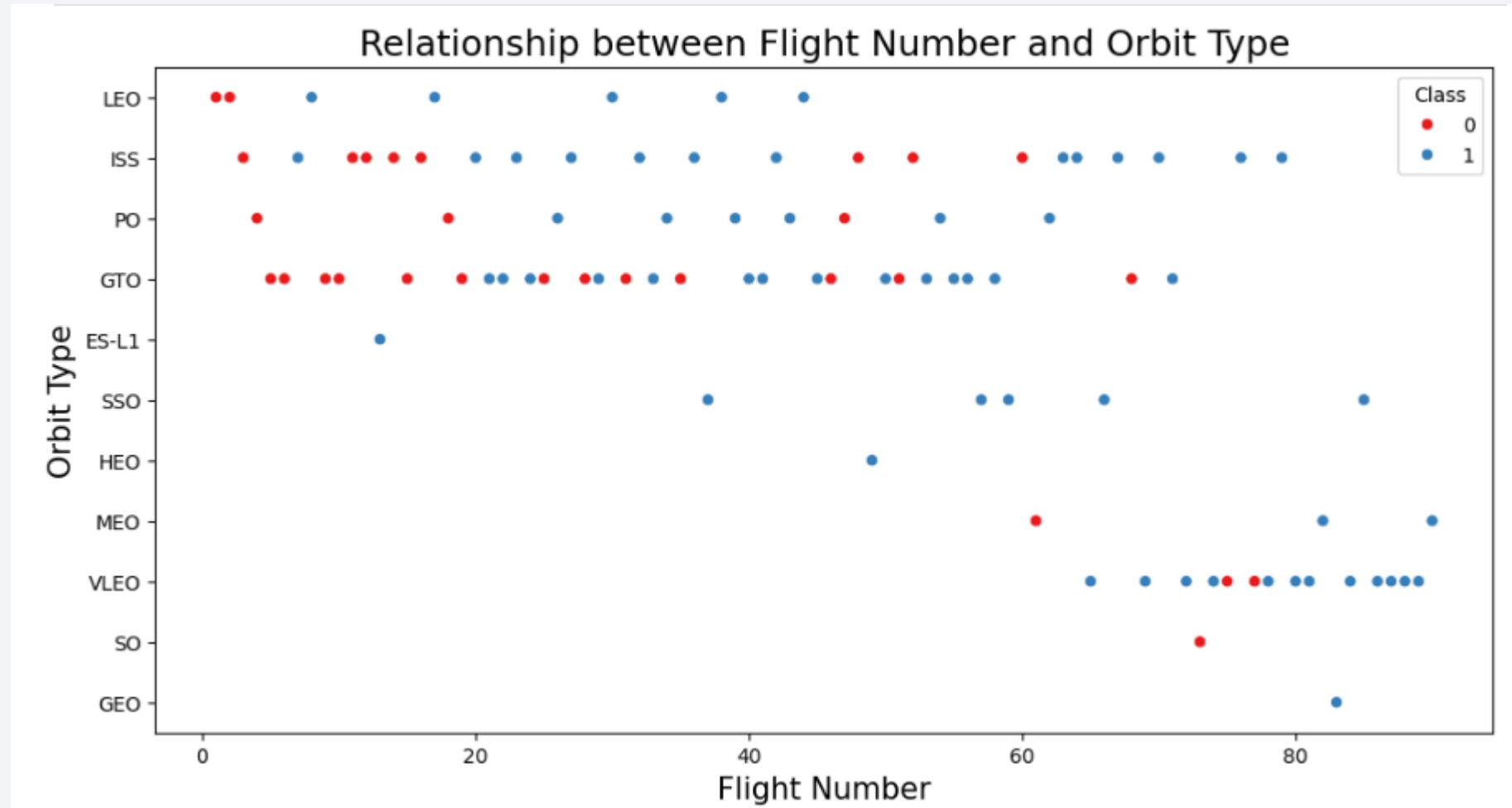
- This chart shows 4 orbit types has a success rate of 100% with one having 0% success rate.





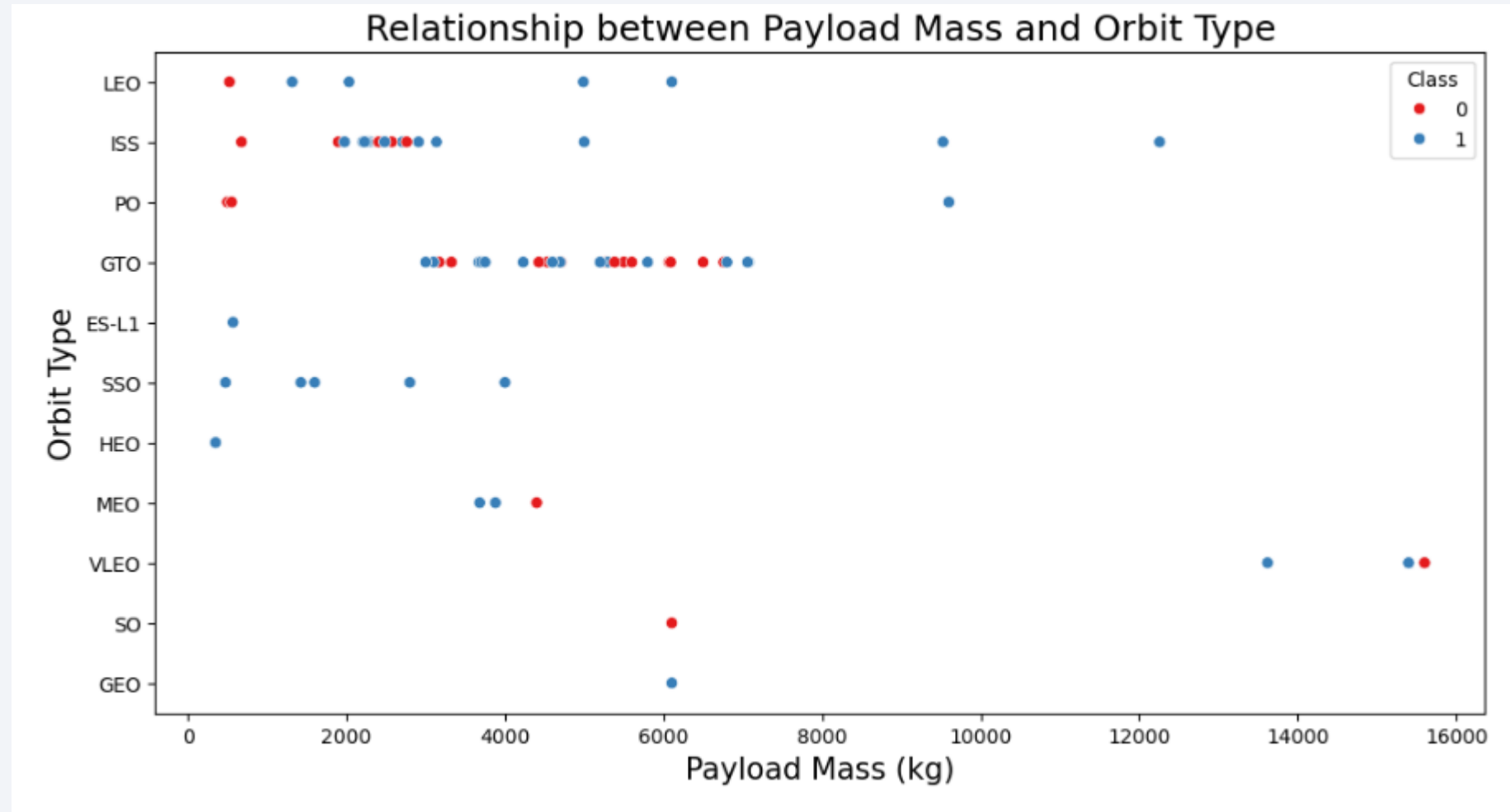
# Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

- This chart shows that LEO has more success with more flights whereas GTO seems to have no pattern between flight numbers and success rate.



# Payload vs. Orbit Type

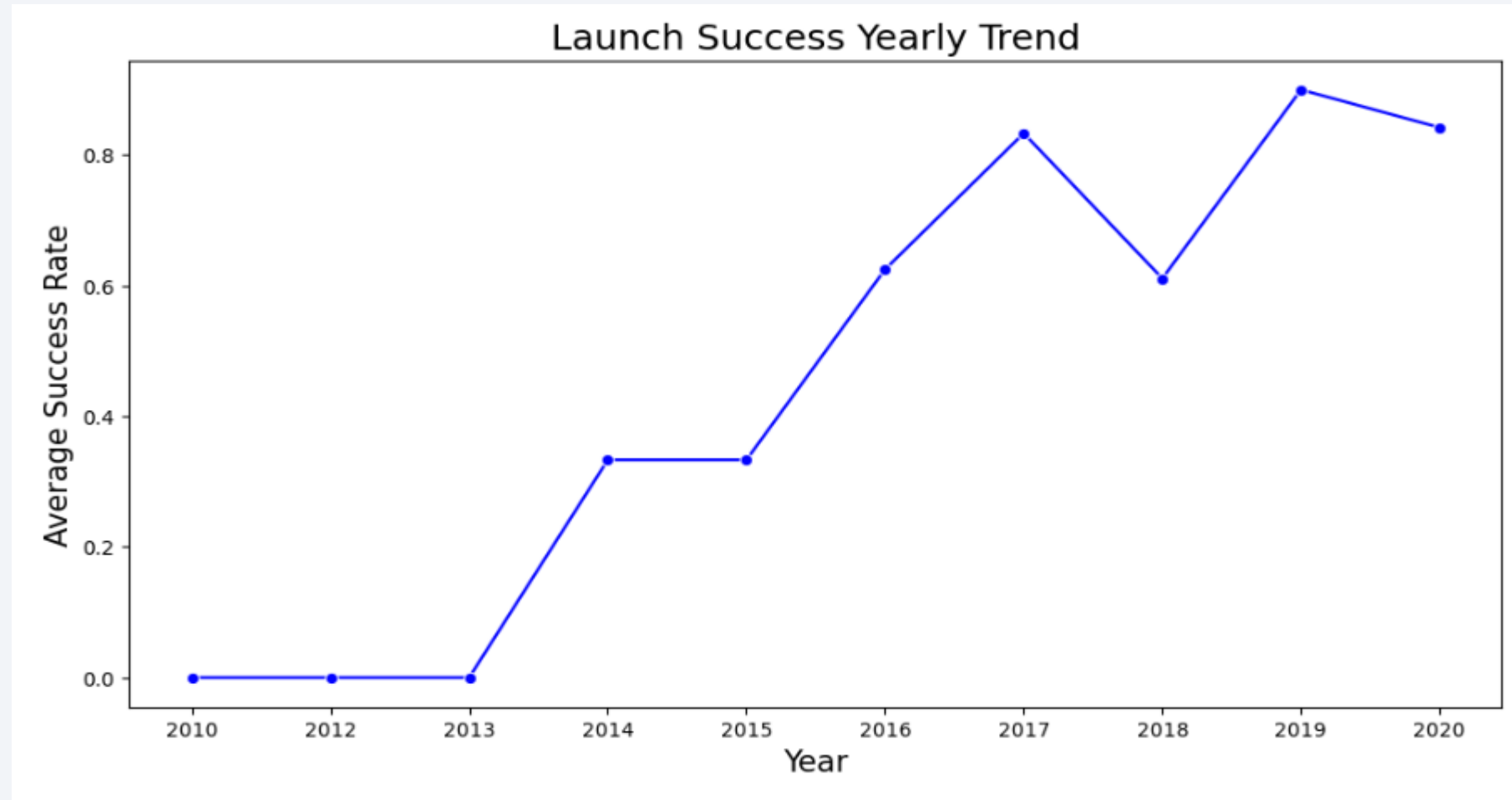
- This chart shows heavier payload mass have a high chance of successfully landing.



# Launch Success Yearly Trend

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- This chart shows after 2013 success rate of launches has gone up drastically every year except for years 2017-2018 and 2019-2020.



# All Launch Site Names

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- Find the names of the unique launch sites
- Used SELECT DISTINCT to return unique launch sites

```
: %sql SELECT DISTINCT LAUNCH_SITE as "Launch_Sites" FROM SPACEXTBL;
* sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.
: Launch_Sites
  CCAFS LC-40
  VAFB SLC-4E
  KSC LC-39A
  CCAFS SLC-40
```

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

- Find 5 records where launch sites begin with 'CCA'
- Used LIKE % to display records with CCA string

## Task 2

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

```
%sql SELECT * FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Launch_Site LIKE 'CCA%' LIMIT 5;
```

\* sqlite:///my\_data1.db  
Done.

| 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 | 7:44:00    | F9 v1.0 B0005   | CCAFS LC-40 | Dragon demo flight C2   | 525             | LEO (ISS) | NASA (COTS)     | Success         | No attempt          |
| 2012-10-08 | 0:35:00    | 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

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## Task 3

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

```
%sql SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) as "Total Payload Mass(Kgs)", Customer FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Customer = 'NASA (CRS)';
```

```
* sqlite:///my_data1.db
```

```
Done.
```

```
: Total Payload Mass(Kgs)  Customer
-----
          45596  NASA (CRS)
```

- Calculate the total payload carried by boosters from NASA
- Used SUM to return and display total sum of PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_ column

# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

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## Task 4

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

```
%sql SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_) as "Payload Mass Kgs", Customer, Booster_Version FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Booster_Version I
```

```
* sqlite:///my_data1.db
```

```
Done.
```

| Payload Mass Kgs   | Customer | Booster_Version |
|--------------------|----------|-----------------|
| 2534.6666666666665 | MDA      | F9 v1.1 B1003   |

- Calculate the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
- Used AVG() to return average payload mass carried by F9 v1.1

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

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## Task 5

List the date when the first succesful landing outcome in ground pad was acheived.

*Hint: Use min function*

```
%sql SELECT MIN(DATE) FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE "Landing_Outcome" = "Success (ground pad)";
```

```
* sqlite:///my_data1.db  
Done.
```

| <u>MIN(DATE)</u> |
|------------------|
|------------------|

|            |
|------------|
| 2015-12-22 |
|------------|

- Find the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad
- Used MIN() to display first date of successful landing on ground pad

# Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

## Task 6

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

```
%sql SELECT DISTINCT Booster_Version, Payload FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "Landing_Outcome" = "Success (drone ship)" AND PAYLOAD_M
```

```
* sqlite:///my_data1.db
```

```
Done.
```

| Booster_Version | Payload               |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| F9 FT B1022     | JCSAT-14              |
| F9 FT B1026     | JCSAT-16              |
| F9 FT B1021.2   | SES-10                |
| F9 FT B1031.2   | SES-11 / EchoStar 105 |

- List the names of boosters which have successfully landed on drone ship and had payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000
- Used Select Distinct to return unique names of boosters between 4000 and 6000 kg mass that were success in drone ship

# Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

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## Task 7

List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

```
%sql SELECT "Mission_Outcome", COUNT("Mission_Outcome") as Total FROM SPACEXTBL GROUP BY "Mission_Outcome";
```

```
* sqlite:///my_data1.db
```

```
Done.
```

```
:      Mission_Outcome  Total
-----
      Failure (in flight)      1
      Success              98
      Success                1
      Success (payload status unclear)  1
```

- Calculate the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
- Used COUNT() with GROUP BY to return total number of missions outcomes

# Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

## Task 8

List the names of the booster\_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass. Use a subquery

```
%sql SELECT "Booster_Version",Payload, "PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_" FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_" = (SELECT MAX("PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_") FROM SPACEXTBL)
```

```
* sqlite:///my_data1.db  
Done.
```

| Booster_Version | Payload   | PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_ |
|-----------------|---|------------------|
| F9 B5 B1048.4   | Starlink 1 v1.0, SpaceX CRS-19                    | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1049.4   | Starlink 2 v1.0, Crew Dragon in-flight abort test | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1051.3   | Starlink 3 v1.0, Starlink 4 v1.0                  | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1056.4   | Starlink 4 v1.0, SpaceX CRS-20                    | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1048.5   | Starlink 5 v1.0, Starlink 6 v1.0                  | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1051.4   | Starlink 6 v1.0, Crew Dragon Demo-2               | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1049.5   | Starlink 7 v1.0, Starlink 8 v1.0                  | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1060.2   | Starlink 11 v1.0, Starlink 12 v1.0                | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1058.3   | Starlink 12 v1.0, Starlink 13 v1.0                | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1051.6   | Starlink 13 v1.0, Starlink 14 v1.0                | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1060.3   | Starlink 14 v1.0, GPS III-04                      | 15600            |
| F9 B5 B1049.7   | Starlink 15 v1.0, SpaceX CRS-21                   | 15600            |

- List the names of the booster which have carried the maximum payload mass
- Used subquery to return Max payload

# 2015 Launch Records

## Task 9

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: SQLite does not support monthnames. So you need to use substr(Date, 6,2) as month to get the months and substr(Date,0,5)='2015' for year.**

```
%sql SELECT substr(Date,6,2) as Month, substr(Date, 0, 5) as Year, "Booster_Version", "Launch_Site", Payload, "PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_
```

```
* sqlite:///my_data1.db
```

Done.

| Month | Year | Booster_Version | Launch_Site | Payload      | PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_ | Mission_Outcome | Landing_Outcome      |
|-------|------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 01    | 2015 | F9 v1.1 B1012   | CCAFS LC-40 | SpaceX CRS-5 | 2395             | Success         | Failure (drone ship) |
| 04    | 2015 | F9 v1.1 B1015   | CCAFS LC-40 | SpaceX CRS-6 | 1898             | Success         | Failure (drone ship) |

- List the failed landing\_outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015
- Used substr() to extract months in year 2015 where landing\_outcome were failure (drone ship)



# 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

## Task 10

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.

```
%sql SELECT * FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "Landing_Outcome" LIKE 'Success%' AND (Date BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20') ORDER
```

```
* sqlite:///my_data1.db  
Done.
```

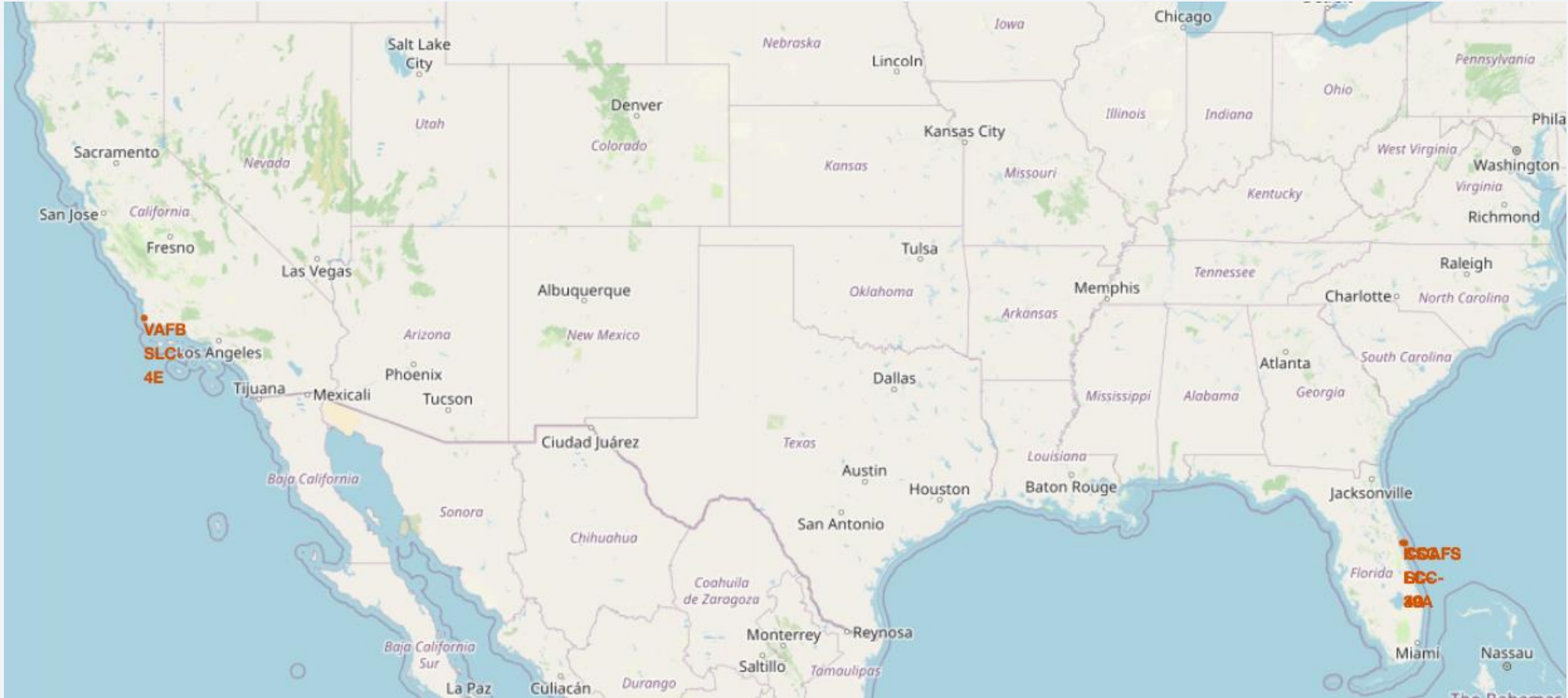
| Date       | Time (UTC) | Booster_Version | Launch_Site | Payload                                 | PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_ | Orbit     | Customer               | Mission_Outcome | Landing_Outcome      |
|------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|---|------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 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 | 5:26:00    | F9 FT B1026     | CCAFS LC-40 | JCSAT-16                                | 4600             | GTO       | SKY Perfect JSAT Group | Success         | Success (drone ship) |
| 2016-07-18 | 4:45:00    | 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 | 5:21:00    | 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 | 1:29:00    | F9 FT B1019     | CCAFS LC-40 | OG2 Mission 2 11 Orbcomm-OG2 satellites | 2034             | LEO       | Orbcomm                | Success         | Success (ground pad) |

A satellite view of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and city lights at night. The background is a deep blue gradient.

Section 3

# Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

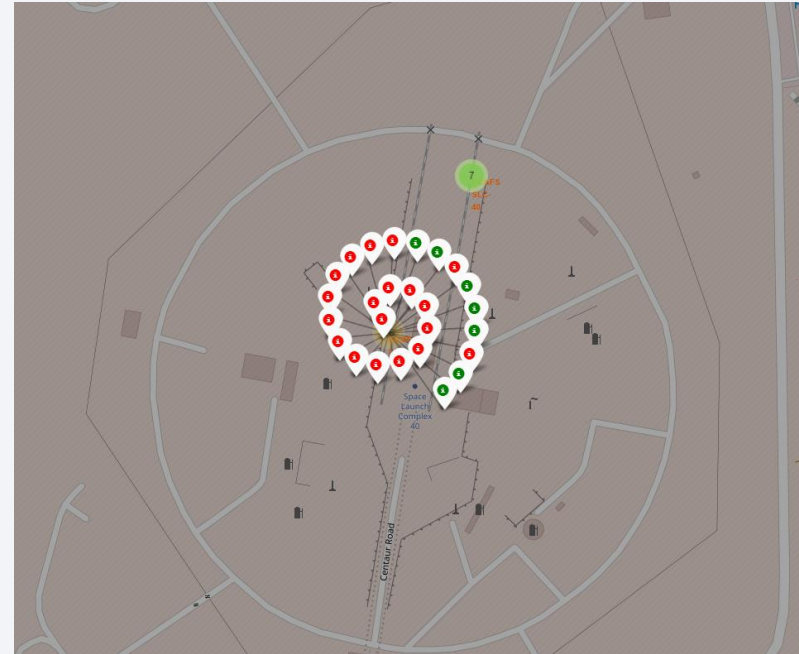
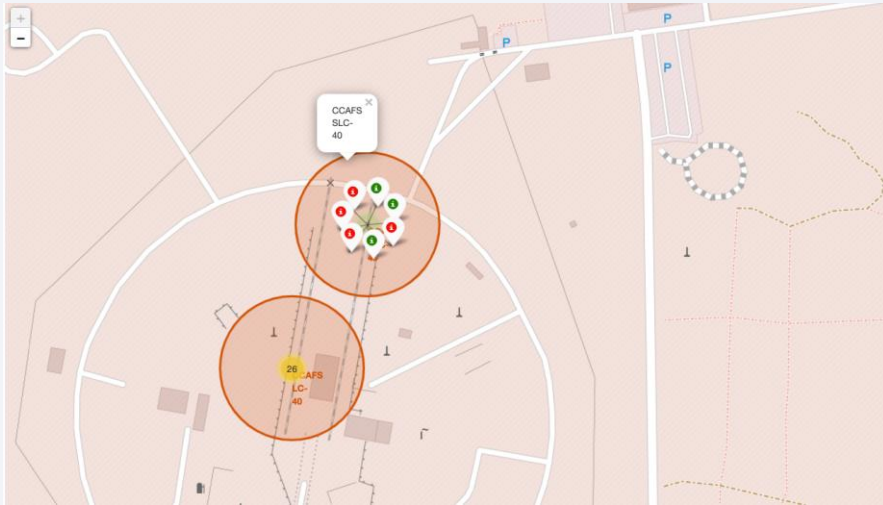
# Markers of launch sites



The launch sites are located in the United States as shown by the markers

# Launch outcomes for each launch site with markers

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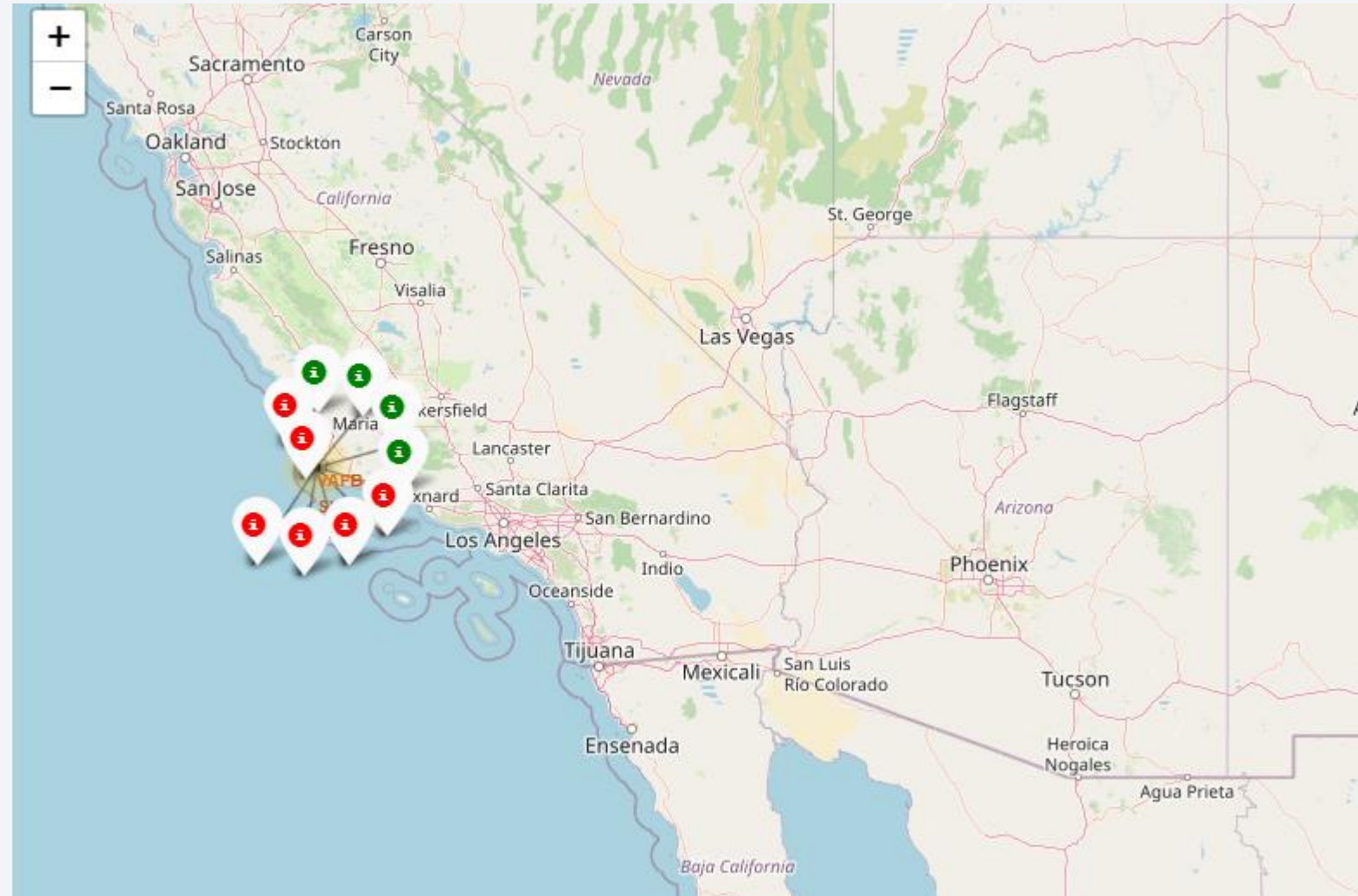


- This shows the success of the launches from each site



# Launch outcomes for California site

- This shows the success of the launch outcomes on the California launch site

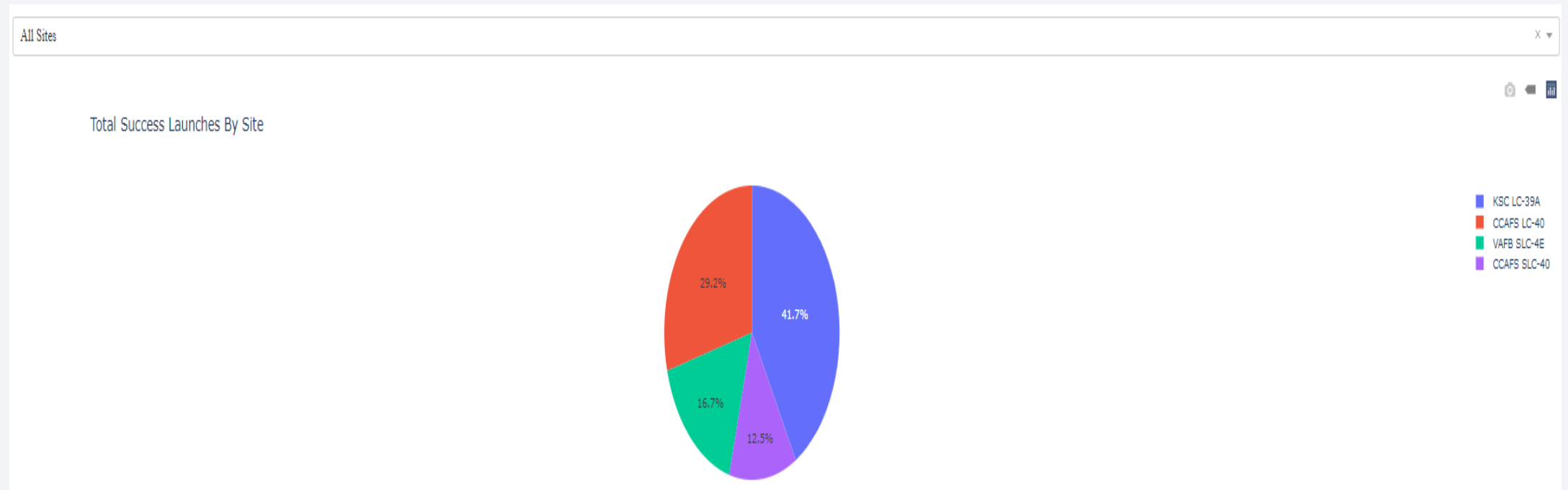




Section 4

# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

# Pie Chart Total Successes by Site



- This shows the total successes for all 4 launch sites in a pie chart



Section 5

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

# Classification Accuracy

- All methods have the same accuracy of 0.833333

Find the method performs best:

```
Report = pd.DataFrame({'Method' : ['Test Data Accuracy']})

knn_accuracy=knn_cv.score(X_test, Y_test)
Decision_tree_accuracy=tree_cv.score(X_test, Y_test)
SVM_accuracy=svm_cv.score(X_test, Y_test)
Logistic_Regression=logreg_cv.score(X_test, Y_test)

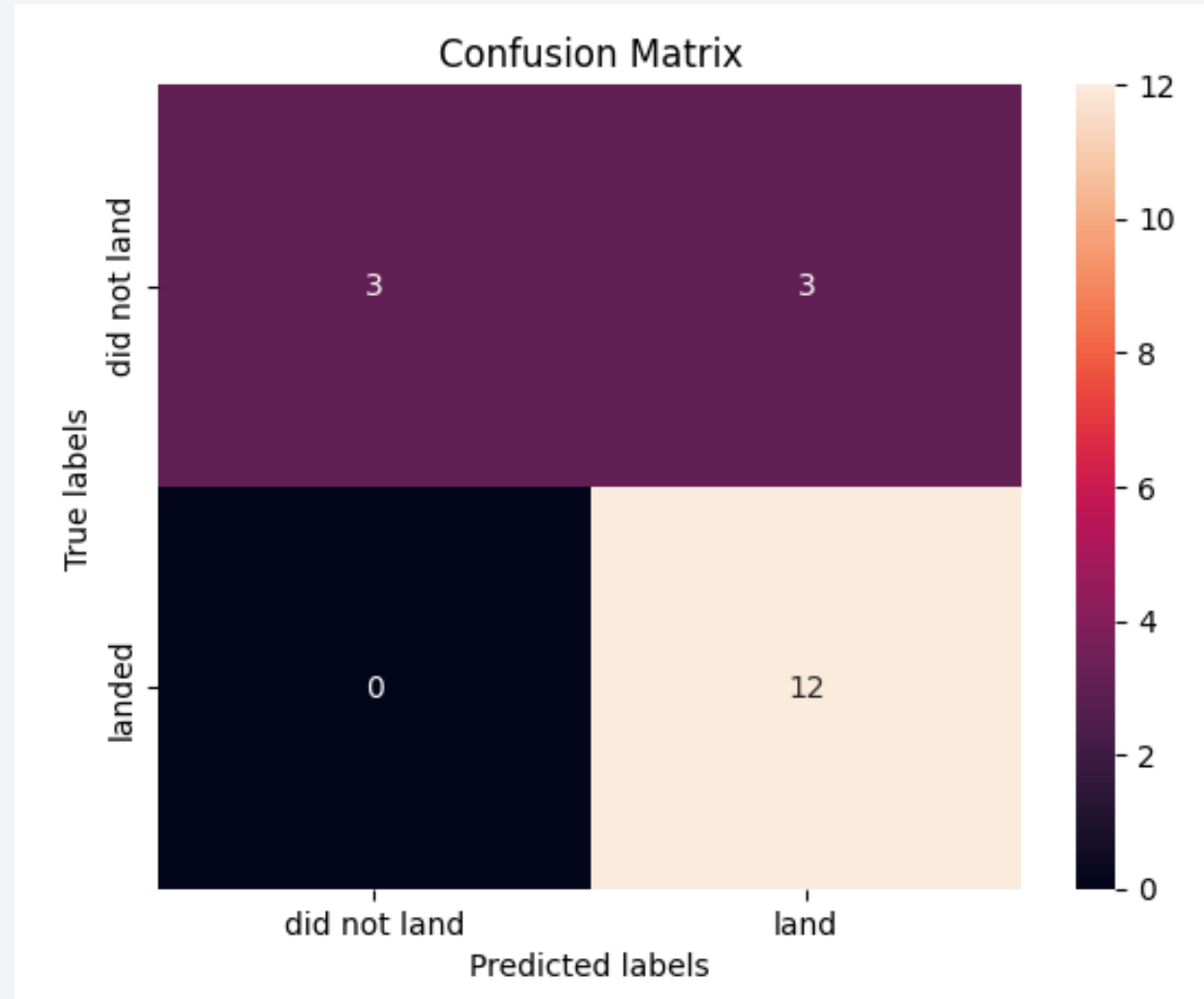
Report['Logistic_Reg'] = [Logistic_Regression]
Report['SVM'] = [SVM_accuracy]
Report['Decision Tree'] = [Decision_tree_accuracy]
Report['KNN'] = [knn_accuracy]

Report.transpose()
```

| 0             |                    |
|---------------|--------------------|
| Method        | Test Data Accuracy |
| Logistic_Reg  | 0.833333           |
| SVM           | 0.833333           |
| Decision Tree | 0.833333           |
| KNN           | 0.833333           |

# Confusion Matrix

- All 4 of the classification models had the same confusion matrixes



# Conclusions

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- Different launch sites have different success rates
- For 3 of the 4 launch sites, when number of flights increases, so does the success rate of the launches.
- For VAFB-SLC, they do not have launches of payload mass greater than 10000 kg
- GEO, SSO, HEO, and ES-L1 orbits have 100% success rates.
- GTO orbit seems to have no correlation between flight number and success rate

Thank you!

