

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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## **Executive Summary**

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#### Introduction

#### Project background and context

Space X advertises Falcon 9 rocket launches on its website with a cost of 62 million dollars; other providers cost upward of 165 million dollars each, much of the savings is because Space X can reuse the first stage. Therefore, if we can determine if the first stage will land, we can determine the cost of a launch. This information can be used if an alternate company wants to bid against space X for a rocket launch. The goal of the project is to create a machine learning pipeline to predict if the first stage will land successfully.

#### Problems you want to find answers

- What factors determine if the rocket will land successfully?
- The interaction amongst various features that determine the success rate of a successful landing.
- What operating conditions needs to be in place to ensure a successful landing program.



## Methodology

#### **Executive Summary**

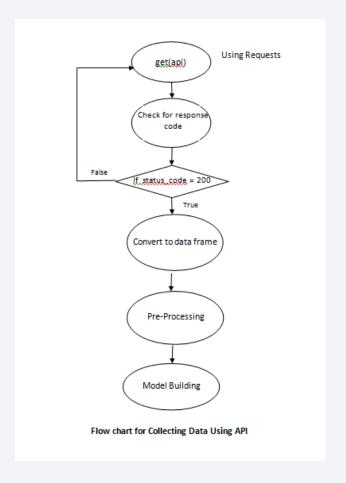
- Data collection methodology:
  - Data was collected using SpaceX API and web scraping from Wikipedia.
- Perform data wrangling
  - One-hot encoding was applied to categorical features
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
  - LR, KNN, SVM, DT models have been built and evaluated for the best classifier

#### **Data Collection**

- The data was collected using various methods
  - Data collection was done using get request to the SpaceX API.
  - Next, we decoded the response content as a Json using **.json**() function call and turn it into a pandas dataframe using **.json\_normalize()**.
  - We then cleaned the data, checked for missing values and filled in missing values where necessary.
  - In addition, we performed web scraping from Wikipedia for Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup.
  - The objective was to extract the launch records as HTML table, parse the table and convert it to a pandas dataframe for future analysis.

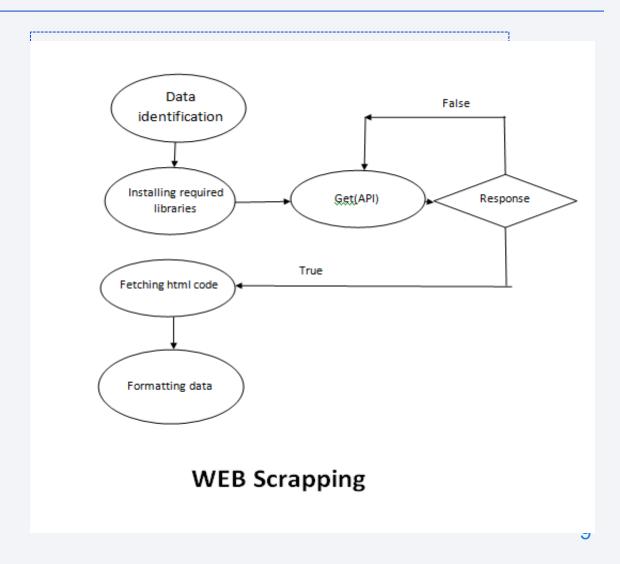
## Data Collection - SpaceX API

- We used the get request to the SpaceX API to collect data, clean the requested data and did some basic data wrangling and formatting.
- The link to the notebook is https://github.com/kamalnadh219/SpaceX-Falcon-9-Capstoneproject/blob/main/jupyter-labs-spacex-data-collection-api.ipynb

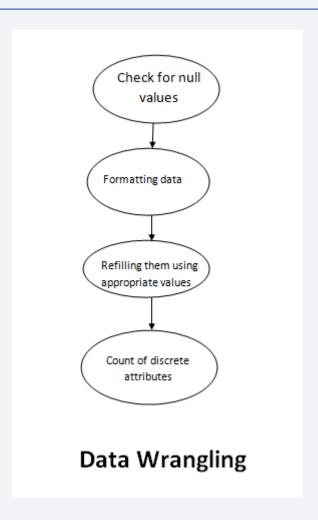


## Data Collection - Scraping

- We applied web scrapping to webscrap Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup
- We parsed the table and converted it into a pandas dataframe.
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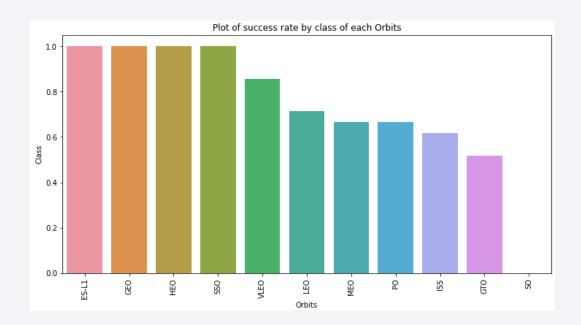
## **Data Wrangling**

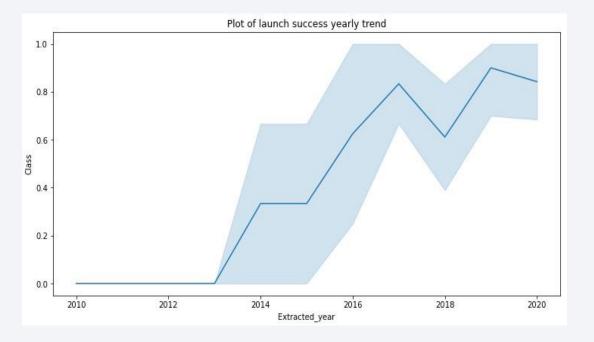


- We performed exploratory data analysis and determined the training labels.
- We calculated the number of launches at each site, and the number and occurrence of each orbits
- We created landing outcome label from outcome column and exported the results to csv.
- The link to the notebook:
- <a href="https://github.com/kamalnadh219/SpaceX-Falcon-9-Capstone-project/blob/main/labs-jupyter-spacex-data">https://github.com/kamalnadh219/SpaceX-Falcon-9-Capstone-project/blob/main/labs-jupyter-spacex-data</a> <a href="wrangling\_jupyterlite.jupyterlite

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

- Used Catplot for identifying relations between variables
- •Used Matplotlib.pyplot to identify patterns among thre data
- •Identified correlations using group by method between variables
- Done trend analysis
- Done Time series Analysis
- •Used line chart to identify Trends by Time Moving On.





#### The link to the notebook is

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### **EDA** with **SQL**

#### EDA Using SQL Found the below Points:

- 1. Distinct Launch Sites
- 2. Launches from Kennedy Space Center (KSC)
- 3. Total Payload Mass by NASA (CRS)
- 4. Average Payload Mass for F9 v1.1
- 5. Earliest Successful Landing Date on Drone Ship
- 6. Booster Versions for Successful Ground Pad Landings (Payload Mass 4000-6000 kg)
- 7. Count of Successful and Failed Landings
- 8. Booster Version for Maximum Payload Mass
- 9. Successful Ground Pad Landings in 2017
- 10. All Data in SPACEXTBL
- 11. Count of Landing Outcomes with Ranking
- The link to the notebook is https://github.com/kamalnadh219/SpaceX-Falcon-9-Capstone-project/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-sql-edx\_sqllite.ipynk

### Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- We've put all launch sites on the map and used markers, circles, and lines to show if launches succeeded or failed.
- We labeled success as 1 and failure as 0.
- By using colored markers, we found which sites had the most successes
- We also checked how far launch sites are from things like railways, highways, and cities.
- URL: <a href="https://github.com/kamalnadh219/SpaceX-Falcon-9-Capstone-project/blob/main/lab\_jupyter\_launch\_site\_location.jupyterlite.ipynb">https://github.com/kamalnadh219/SpaceX-Falcon-9-Capstone-project/blob/main/lab\_jupyter\_launch\_site\_location.jupyterlite.ipynb</a>

## Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- 1. Created an interactive dashboard using Plotly Dash.
- 2. Generated pie charts illustrating the total launches per site.
- 3. Developed scatter graphs to explore the relationship between Outcome and Payload Mass (Kg) across various booster versions...
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## 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.
- The link to the notebook is <a href="https://github.com/kamalnadh219/SpaceX-Falcon-9-Capstone-project/blob/main/SpaceX-Machine Learning Prediction\_Part\_5.jupyterlite.ipynb">https://github.com/kamalnadh219/SpaceX-Falcon-9-Capstone-project/blob/main/SpaceX\_Machine Learning Prediction\_Part\_5.jupyterlite.ipynb</a>

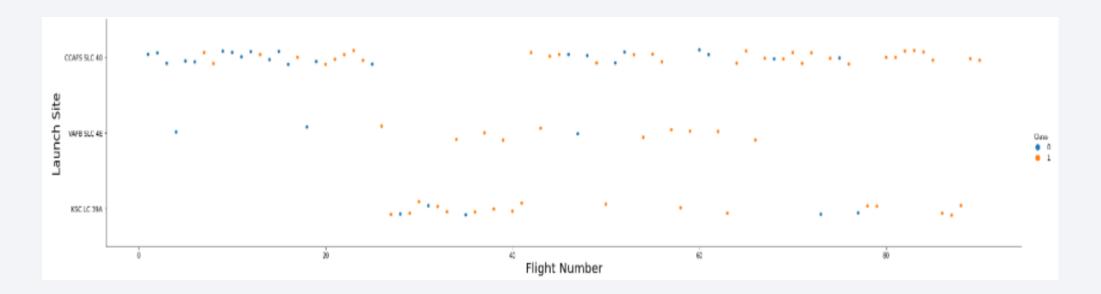
### Results

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



## Flight Number vs. Launch Site

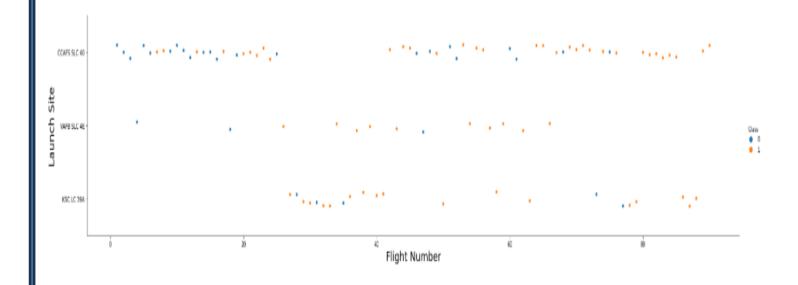
 We observed that as the flight number increases at a launch site, the success rate also increases.



## Payload vs. Launch Site

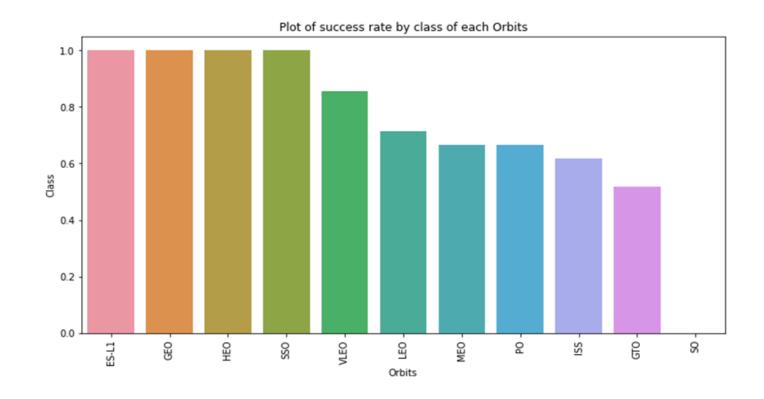


The greater the payload mass for launch site CCAFS SLC 40 the higher the success rate for the rocket.



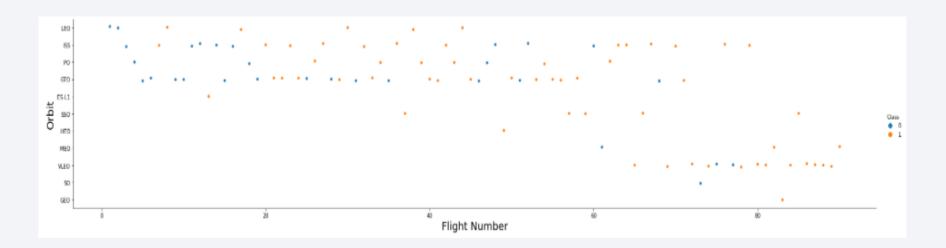
## Success Rate vs Orbit Type

• The plot highlights that ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO, and VLEO exhibit the highest success rates.



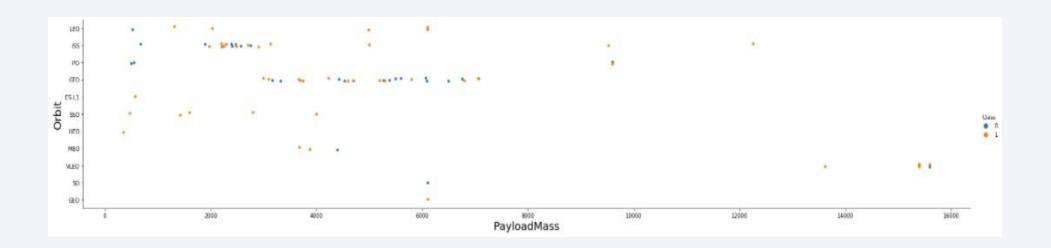
## Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

• The plot illustrates Flight Number versus Orbit type. We notice that in the LEO orbit, success correlates with the number of flights, while in the GTO orbit, there is no apparent relationship between flight number and orbit.



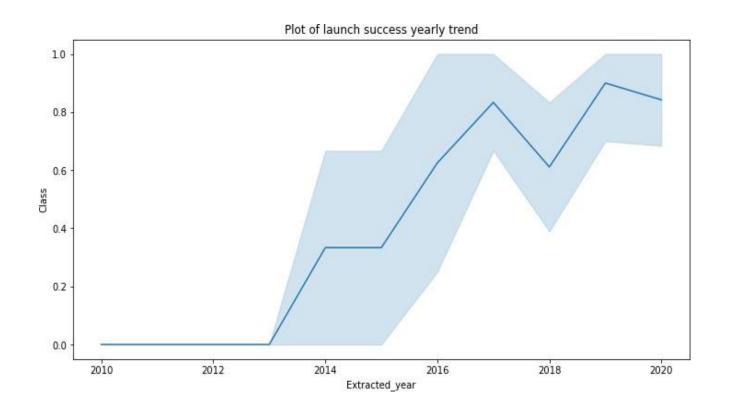
## Payload vs Orbit Type

 We notice that heavier payloads tend to result in more successful landings for PO, LEO, and ISS orbits.



## Launch Success Yearly Trend

 we can notice that success rate since 2013 kept on incresed till 2020.



#### All Launch Site Names

 We utilized the keyword DISTINCT to display only unique launch sites from the SpaceX data.

#### Display the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission

Out[10]:	launchsite			
	0	KSC LC-39A		
	1	CCAFS LC-40		
	2	CCAFS SLC-40		
	3	VAFB SLC-4E		

## Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

1]:		FROM WHEN	ECT * 1 SpaceX RE Launc IT 5	hSite LIKE 'CC/ sk_2, database							
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)
					CCAFS LC-			LEO	NACA (COTO)	6	No attempt
	2	2012-05- 22	07:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	40	Dragon demo flight C2	525	(ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attempt
	3		07:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005		Dragon demo flight C2  SpaceX CRS-1	525 500	(ISS) LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attempt

 We employed the above query to showcase 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

```
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 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2015

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

 We utilized the WHERE clause to filter for boosters that have successfully landed on a drone ship. Additionally, we applied the AND condition to identify successful landings with a payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000.

Out[15]:		boosterversion
	0	F9 FT B1022
	1	F9 FT B1026
	2	F9 FT B1021.2
	3	F9 FT B1031.2
		F9 FT B1021.2

## 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
         The total number of failed mission outcome is:
Out[16]:
            failureoutcome
```

 We employed the wildcard '%' to filter for WHERE MissionOutcome where it was either a success or a failure.

## Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

 We identified the booster that carried the maximum payload by using a subquery in the WHERE clause along with the MAX() function. List the names of the booster\_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass. Use a subquery

Out[17]:		boosterversion	payloadmasskg
	0	F9 B5 B1048.4	15600
	1	F9 B5 B1048.5	15600
	2	F9 B5 B1049.4	15600
	3	F9 B5 B1049.5	15600
	4	F9 B5 B1049.7	15600
	5	F9 B5 B1051.3	15600
	6	F9 B5 B1051.4	15600
	7	F9 B5 B1051.6	15600
	8	F9 B5 B1056.4	15600
	9	F9 B5 B1058.3	15600
	10	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)
```

#### Out[19]:

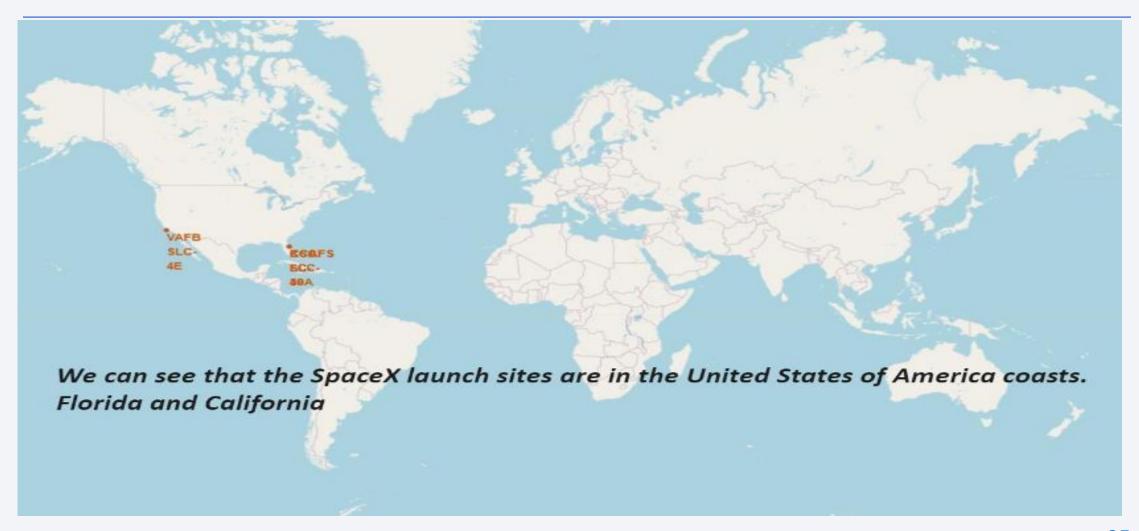
	landingoutcome	count
0	No attempt	10
1	Success (drone ship)	6
2	Failure (drone ship)	5
3	Success (ground pad)	5
4	Controlled (ocean)	3
5	Uncontrolled (ocean)	2
6	Precluded (drone ship)	1
7	Failure (parachute)	1

landingoutcome count

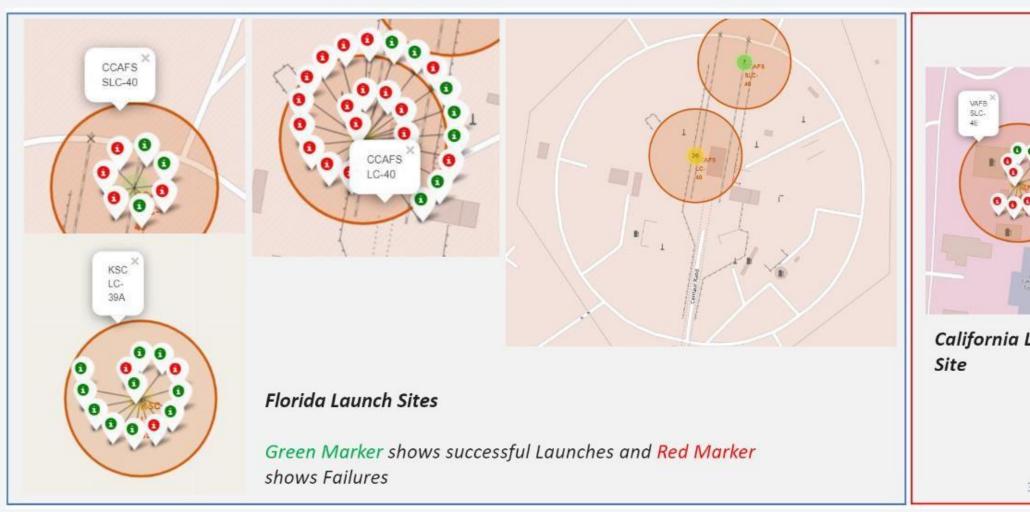
- Selected Landing outcomes and the COUNT of landing outcomes, filtering for landing outcomes between 2010-06-04 to 2010-03-20 using the WHERE clause.
- Applied the GROUP BY clause to group the landing outcomes and the ORDER BY clause to arrange the grouped landing outcome in descending order.



## All launch sites global map markers

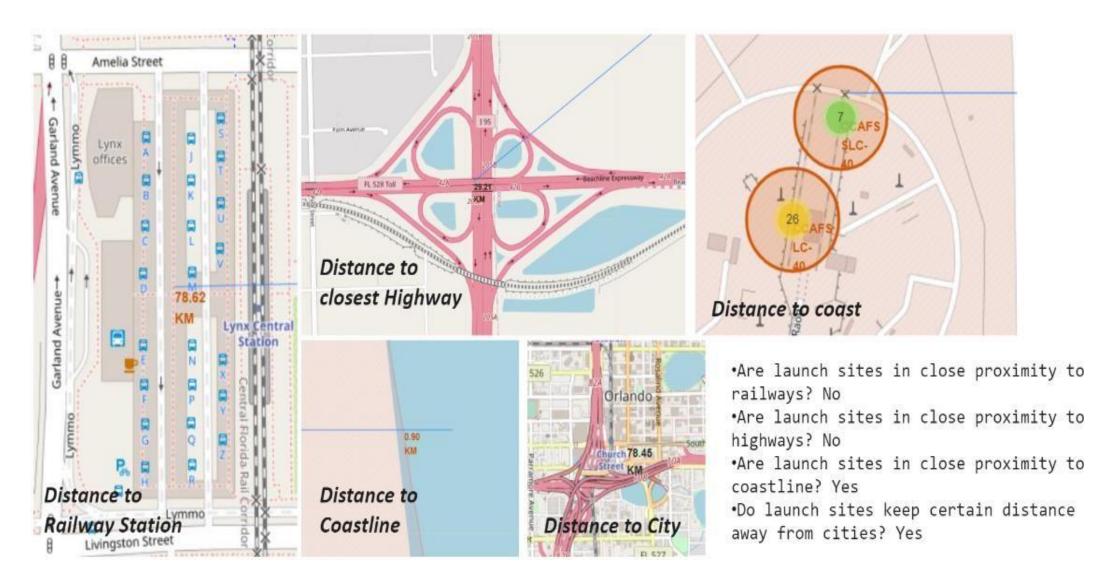


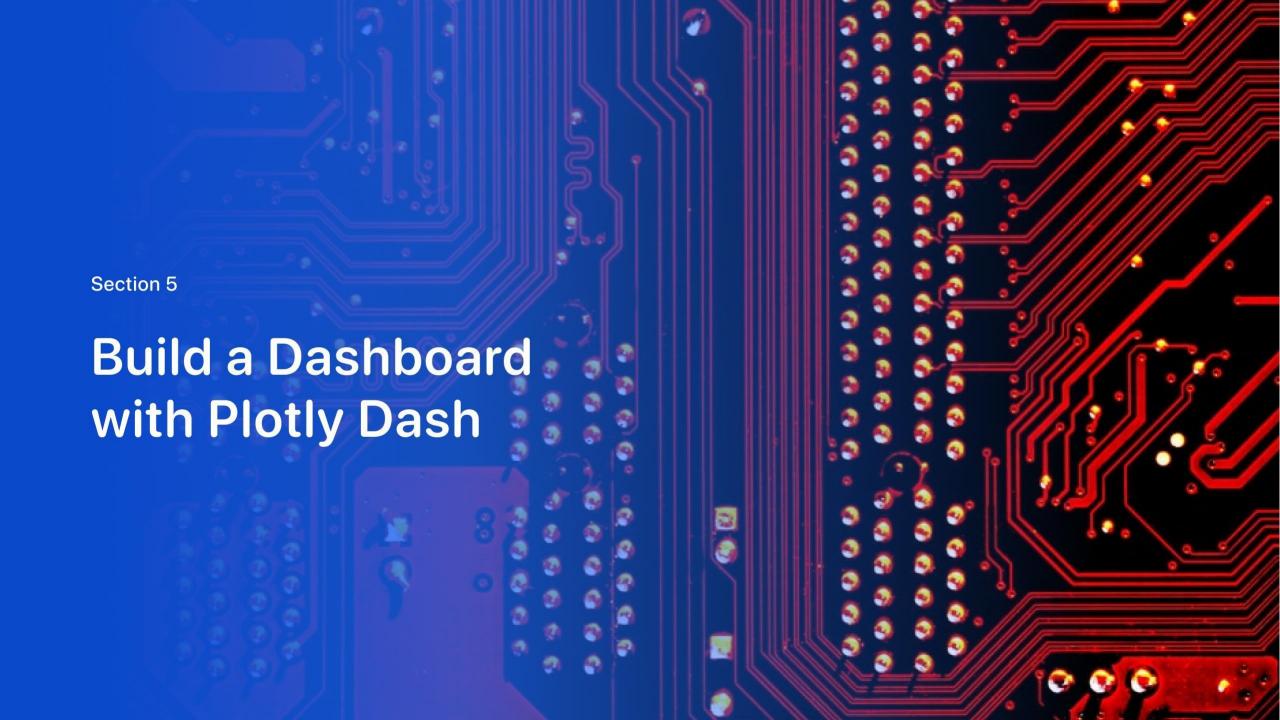
## Markers showing launch sites with color labels



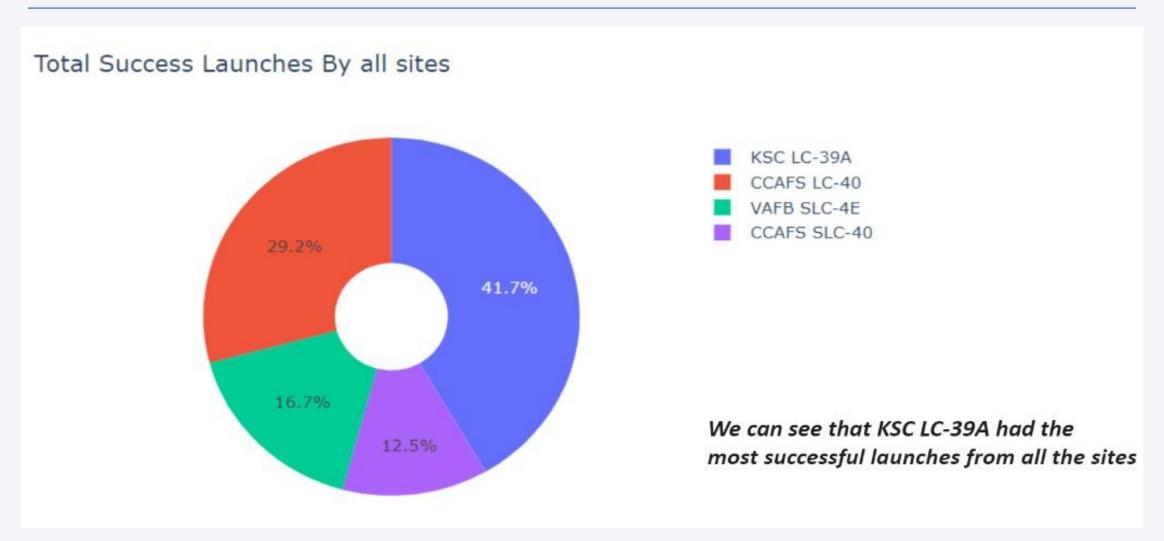


### Launch Site distance to landmarks

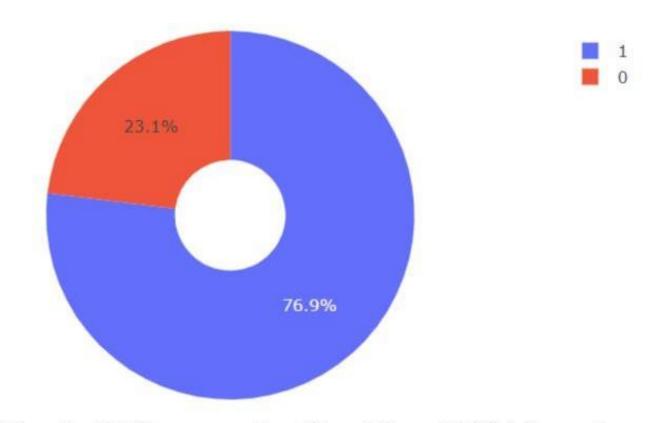




#### Pie chart showing the success percentage achieved by each launch site

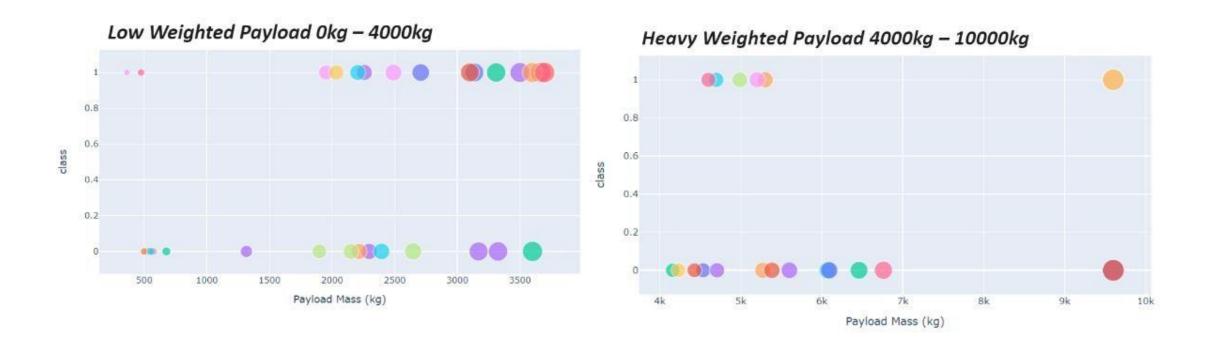


#### Pie chart showing the Launch site with the highest launch success ratio



KSC LC-39A achieved a 76.9% success rate while getting a 23.1% failure rate

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



We can see the success rates for low weighted payloads is higher than the heavy weighted payloads



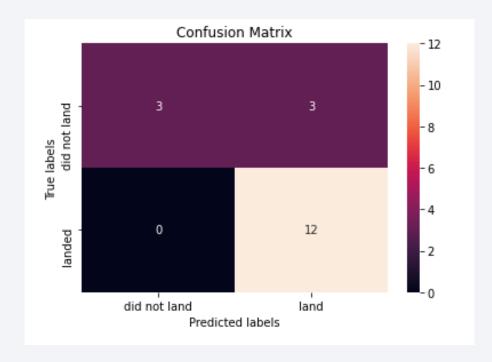
## Classification Accuracy

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

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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 decision tree classifier's confusion matrix indicates its ability to distinguish between different classes. However, the major issue lies in false positives, where unsuccessful landings are incorrectly identified as successful landings by the classifier.



#### Conclusions

- The success rate at a launch site tends to increase with a higher number of flights.
- From 2013 to 2020, there has been a steady rise in launch success rates.
- Orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO, and VLEO exhibit the highest success rates.
- KSC LC-39A stands out with the highest number of successful launches among all sites.
- The Decision Tree classifier emerges as the most suitable machine learning algorithm for this task.

