<Falcon 9 launch Analysis and Predictions>

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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- Summary of all results
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INTRODUCTION

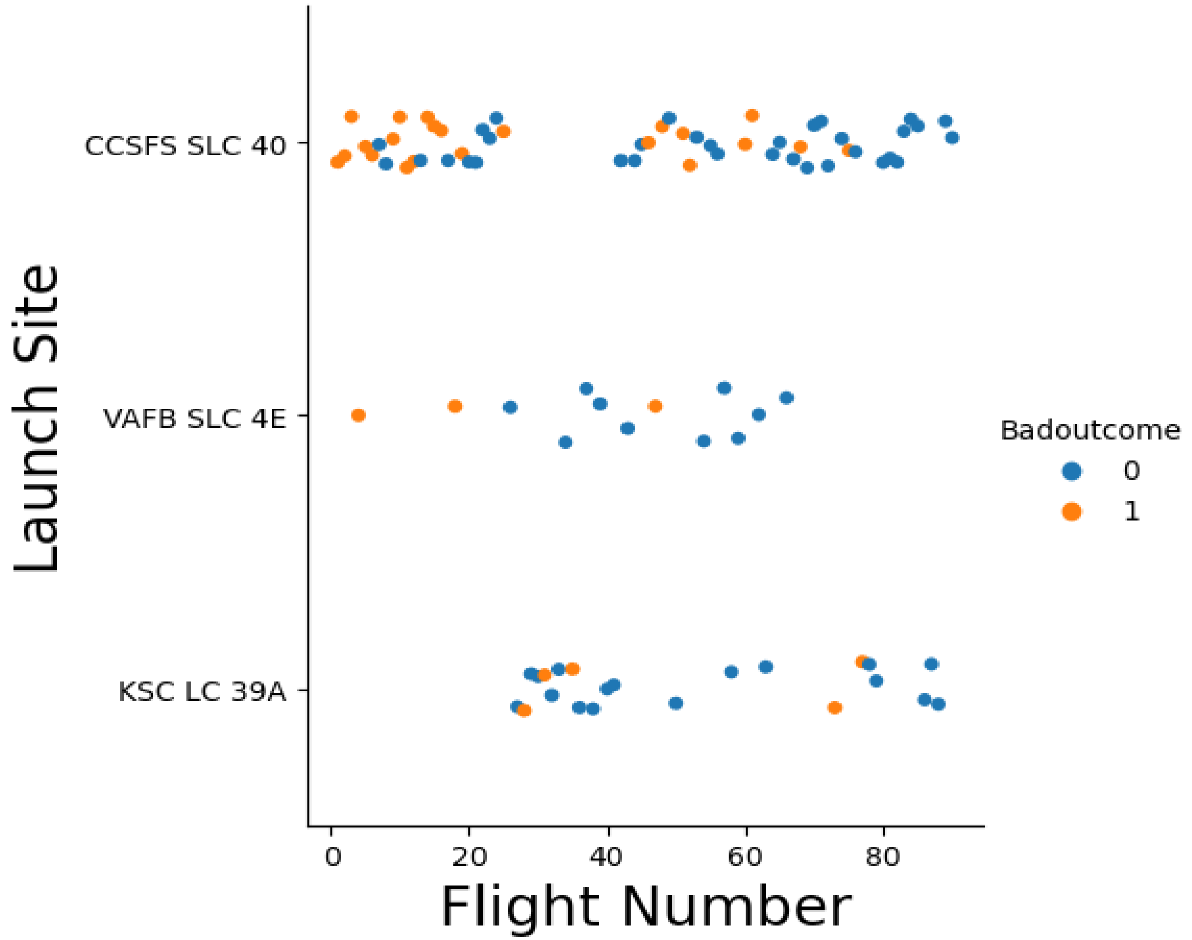
- Project background and context
  - SpaceX is the most successful company of the commercial space age, making space travel affordable. The company advertises Falcon 9 rocket launches on its website, with a cost of 62 million dollars; other providers cost upward of 165 million dollars each, much of the savings is because SpaceX can reuse the first stage. Therefore, if we can determine if the first stage will land, we can determine the cost of a launch. Based on public information and machine learning models, we are going to predict if SpaceX will reuse the first stage.
- Questions to be answered
  - How do variables such as payload mass, launch site, number of flights, and orbits affect the success of the first stage landing? - Does the rate of successful landings increase over the years? - What is the best algorithm that can be used for binary classification in this case?

METHODOLOGY

- Data collection methodology:
  - Using SpaceX Rest API
  - Using Web Scrapping from Wikipedia
- Performed data wrangling
  - Filtering the data
  - Dealing with missing values
  - Using One Hot Encoding to prepare the data to a binary classification
- Performed exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Performed interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Performed predictive analysis using classification models
  - Building, tuning and evaluation of classification models to ensure the best results

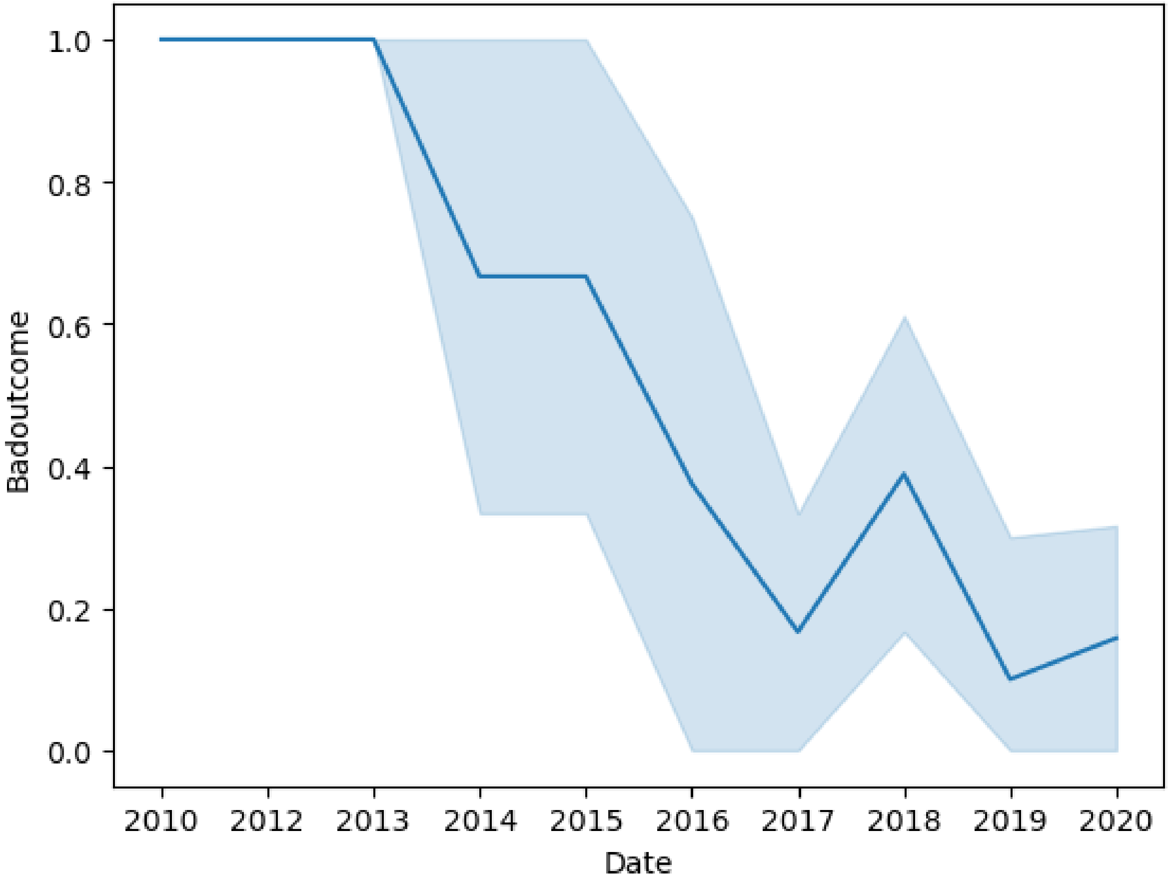
Exploratory Data Analysis Insights

Launch Site Vs Flight Number in Relation to Outcome



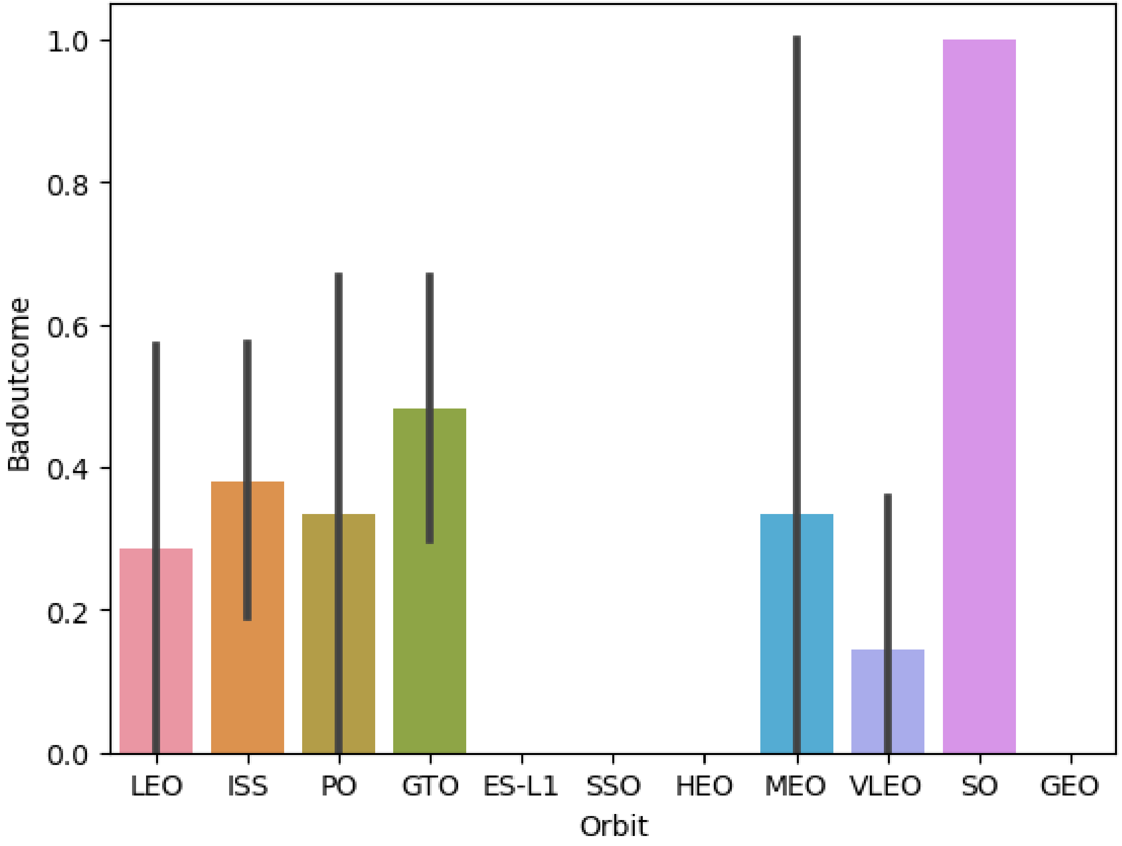
- For all three launch sights we can see the number of bad outcomes tends to go down as the number of flights increase
- The VAFB SLC 4E launch site seems to have the best outcomes but also has the least flight numbers overall

The trends of Bad Outcomes from 2010-2020



- Overtime the number of bad outcomes has dropped significantly, meaning the flights of gotten more successful

Bad Outcomes by Orbit Type



- There are four orbit types that have no bad outcomes (ES-L1, SSO, HEO, GEO)
- The SO orbit type has the most bad outcomes
- There also appears to be a significant number of outliers

Exploratory Data Analysis with SQL

- The SQL queries performed on the data set were used to:
  - Display the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission
  - Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'
  - Display the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
  - Display the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
  - List the date when the first successful landing outcome on a ground pad was achieved
  - List the names of the boosters which had success on a drone ship and a payload mass between 4000 and 6000 kg
  - List the total number of successful and failed mission outcomes
  - List the names of the booster versions which have carried the maximum payload mass
  - List the failed landing outcomes on drone ships, their booster versions, and launch site names for 2015
  - 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

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

```
%sql select distinct launch_site from SPACEXTABLE;
```

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

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

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

```
%sql select * from SPACEXTABLE where launch_site like 'CCA%' limit 5;
```

```
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Done.
```

Date	Time (UTC)	Booster_Version	Launch_Site	Payload	PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_	Orbit	Customer	Mission_Outcome	Landing_Outcome
2010-04-06	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC-40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Failure (parachute)
2010-08-12	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	07:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC-40	Dragon demo flight C2	525	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attempt
2012-08-10	00:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC-40	SpaceX CRS-1	500	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt
2013-01-03	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC-40	SpaceX CRS-2	677	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt

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

```
%sql select sum(payload_mass__kg_) as total_payload_mass from SPACEXTABLE where customer = 'NASA (CRS)';
```

```
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Done.
```

total_payload_mass
45596

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

```
%sql select avg(payload_mass__kg_) as average_payload_mass from SPACEXTABLE where booster_version like '%F9 v1.1%';
```

```
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Done.
```

average_payload_mass
2534.6666666666665

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 booster_version from SPACEXTABLE where landing_outcome = 'Success (drone ship)' and payload_mass__kg_ between 40
```

```
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Done.
```

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

List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

```
%sql select mission_outcome, count(*) as total_number from SPACEXTABLE group by mission_outcome;
```

```
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Done.
```

Mission_Outcome	total_number
Failure (in flight)	1
Success	98
Success	1
Success (payload status unclear)	1

List the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass. Use a subquery

```
%sql select booster_version from SPACEXTABLE where payload_mass__kg_ = (select max(payload_mass__kg_) from SPACEXTABLE);
```

```
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Done.
```

Booster_Version
F9 B5 B1048.4
F9 B5 B1049.4
F9 B5 B1051.3
F9 B5 B1056.4
F9 B5 B1048.5
F9 B5 B1051.4
F9 B5 B1049.5
F9 B5 B1060.2
F9 B5 B1058.3
F9 B5 B1051.6
F9 B5 B1060.3
F9 B5 B1049.7

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

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

```
%sql select substr(Date, 6,2) as month, landing_outcome, booster_version, launch_site from SPACEXTABLE where DATE like '2015
```

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Done.
```

month	Landing_Outcome	Booster_Version	Launch_Site
10	Failure (drone ship)	F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40
04	Failure (drone ship)	F9 v1.1 B1015	CCAFS LC-40

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 landing_outcome, count(*) as count_outcomes from SPACEXTABLE where date between '2010-06-04' and '2017-03-20' gr
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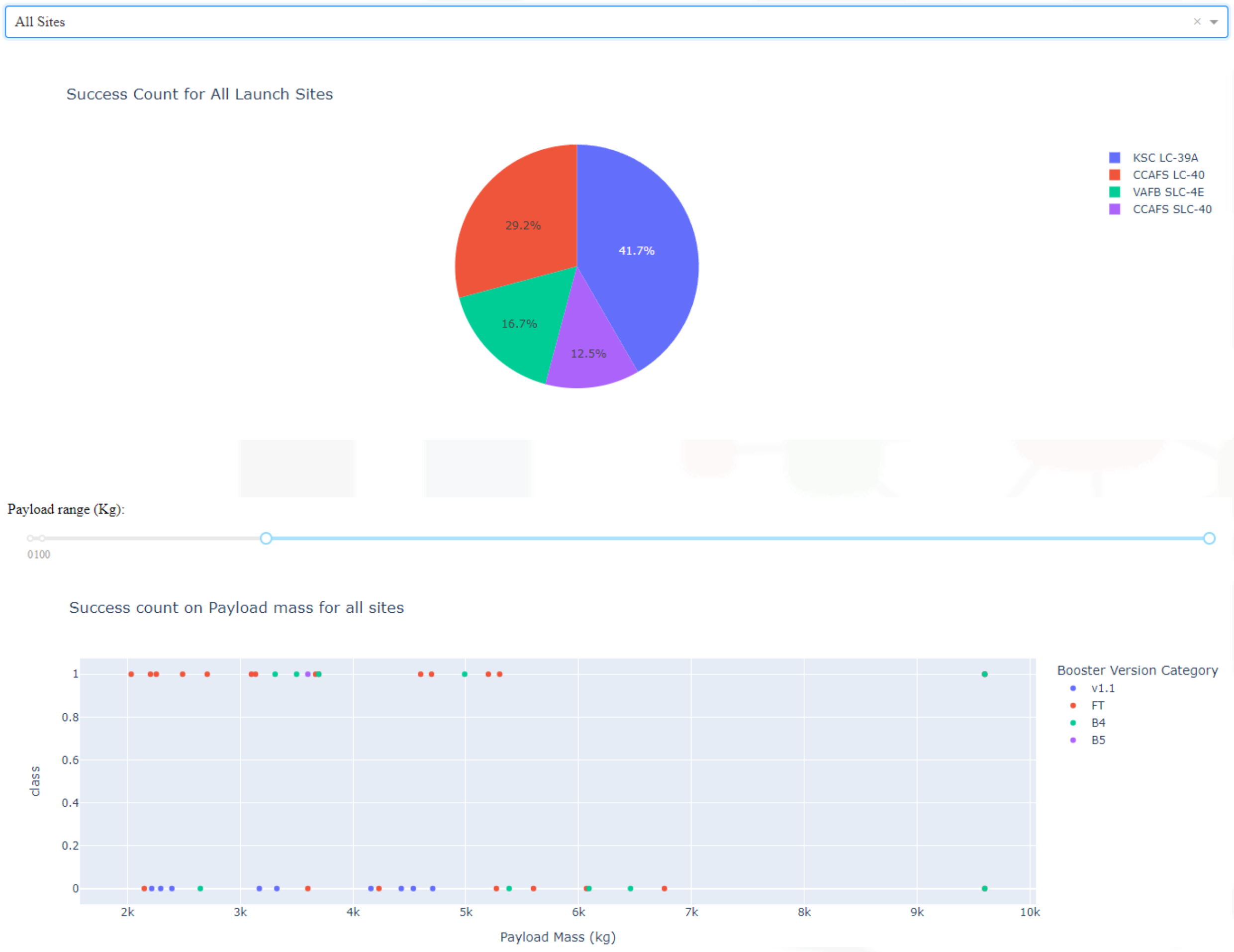
Done.
```

Landing_Outcome	count_outcomes
No attempt	10
Success (ground pad)	5
Success (drone ship)	5
Failure (drone ship)	5
Controlled (ocean)	3
Uncontrolled (ocean)	2
Precluded (drone ship)	1
Failure (parachute)	1

Interactive Dashboard with Dash



- A drop down menu was created to select launch sites and show the percentage of successful vs not successful outcomes

- A slider to select the payload mass of a flight was created to show the outcomes of flights by booster version

Machine Learning Predictive Insights

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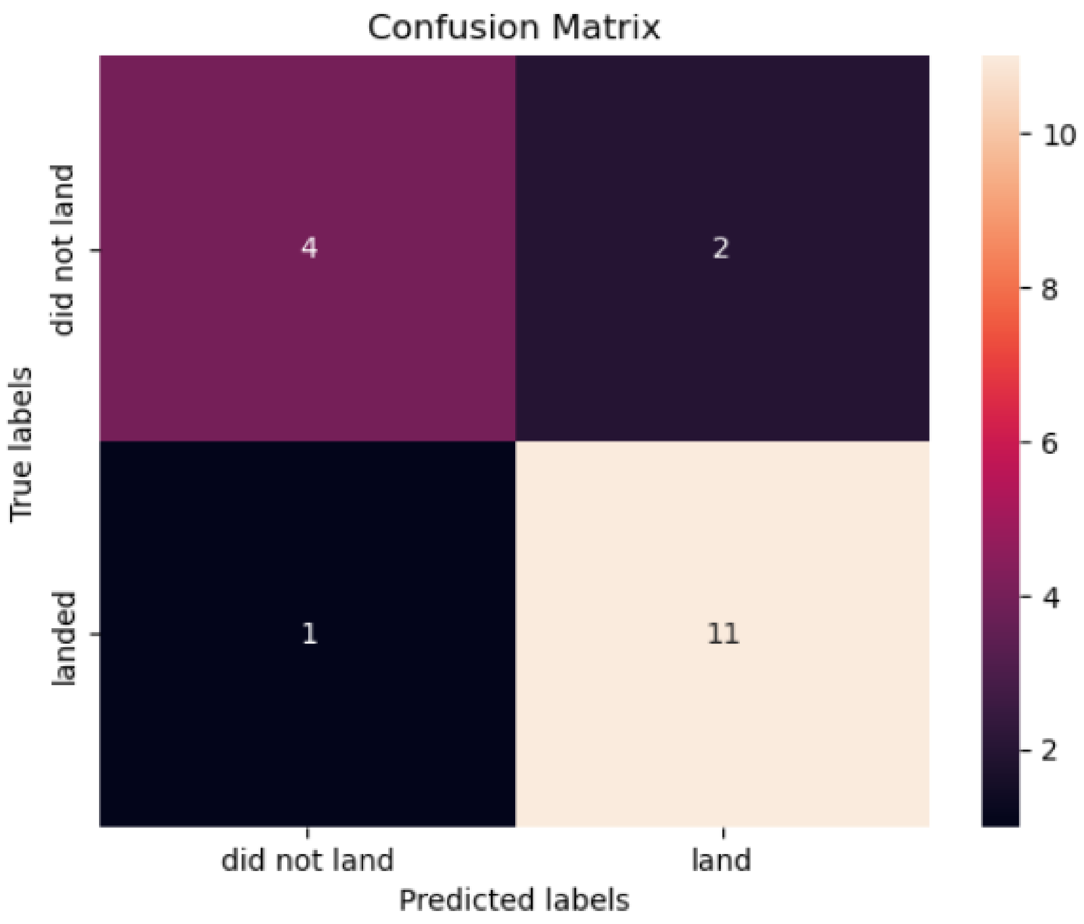
SKILLS NETWORK

Classification

- Four classification algorithms were accessed (Logistic Regression, Decision Tree, Support Vector Machine, K-Nearest Neighbors)
- Gridsearch CV was used to determine optimal parameters for each model
- Confusion Matrices were used to evaluate Type I & II Errors

Decision Tree Classifier

- Tuned parameters:
    - Criterion: gini
    - Max depth: 12
    - Min samples leaf: 4
    - Min samples split: 10
    - Splitter: best
- Train Accuracy: 0.87
- Test Accuracy: 0.83
- Type I Error: 1
- Type II Error: 2



DISCUSSION

OVERALL FINDINGS & IMPLICATIONS

Findings

- Finding 1
- Finding 2
- Finding 3

Implications

- Implication 1
- Implication 2
- Implication 3

CONCLUSION

- As the number of flights increases, the rate of success at a launch site increases, with most early flights being unsuccessful
- Orbit types ES-L1, GEO, HEO, and SSO, have the highest success rate
- The success for payloads over 4000 kg is lower than that with lower payloads
- The best performing classification model is the Decision Tree Classifier, with an accuracy of 83.3% and the least false positives