

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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## **Executive Summary**

- Summary of methodologies
- Data Collection
- Data wrangling.
- Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) using SQL
- Interactive dashboards.
- Classification models (Supervised learning models)
- Summary of all results.
- EDA insights
- interactive dashboards
- Prediction models results

#### Introduction

Project background and context.

In this project we will predict whether the first land will be successful or not, in order to determine the cost of launching.

We will go through all the process that modelling data requires, from data collection using API and data wrangling to build a couple of supervised learning models to accomplish our outlined goal.

- Problems you want to find answers.
- what are the features that influence in the successful of the Falcon 9 landing.



# Methodology

#### **Executive Summary**

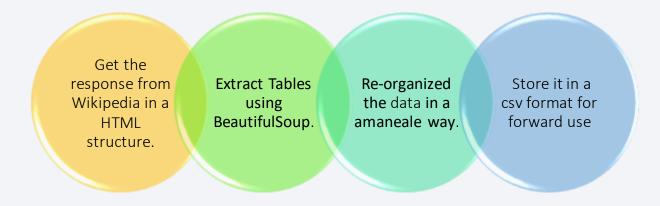
- Data collection methodology:
  - Space X REST API
  - Web scraping
- Perform data wrangling
  - One hot encoding for certain features in order to stay aligned with the Machine Learning model assumption we use (l.e. classification model)
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
  - Building a classification model, picking the best hyperparameters and then tuning it.

#### **Data Collection**

- Describe how data sets were collected.
- A) The data was collected firstly via SpaceX REST API.



B) Then via scraping the Wikipedia tables information related to the Falcon 9 launches, all this using BeautifulSoup module.



# Data Collection - SpaceX API

#### 1. request the data

```
Now let's start requesting rocket launch data from SpaceX API with the following URL:

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

response = requests.get(spacex_url)
```

#### 2. extract the data into JSON format

```
df = pd.read_json(static_json_url)
Using the dataframe data print the first 5 rows
# Get the head of the dataframe
df.head()
```

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

# Use json_normalize meethod to convert the json result into a dataframe

2 jlist = requests.get(static_json_url).json()

3 df2 = pd.json_normalize(jlist)

4 df2.head()
```

#### 3. parse de data into PANDAS format

```
# Lets take a subset of our dataframe keeping only the features we want and the flight
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

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
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 d
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)]
```

```
launch_dict = {'FlightNumber': list(data['flight_number']).
BoosterVersion = []
                                          'Date': list(data['date']),
                                           'BoosterVersion':BoosterVersion,
PayloadMass = []
                                          'PayloadMass':PayloadMass,
Orbit = []
                                           'Orbit':Orbit,
LaunchSite = []
                                          'LaunchSite':LaunchSite,
Outcome = []
                                          'Outcome':Outcome,
Flights = []
                                          'Flights':Flights,
GridFins = []
                                          'GridFins':GridFins,
Reused = []
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                                          'Legs':Legs,
Legs = []
                                           'LandingPad':LandingPad,
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Serial = []
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Longitude = []
                                          'Latitude': Latitude}
                         ernal
Latitude = []
```

# **Data Wrangling**

1) We have a dataset containing, among others feautures, one measurement on landing successful

[Outcome].

Г	FlightNumber	Date	BoosterVersion	PayloadMass	Orbit	LaunchSite	Outcome	Flights	GridFins	Reused	Legs	LandingPad	Block
0	1	2010-06-04	Falcon 9	6104.959412	LEO	CCAFS SLC 40	None None	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0
1	2	2012-05-22	Falcon 9	525.000000	LEO	CCAFS SLC 40	None None	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0
2	3	2013-03-01	Falcon 9	677.000000	ISS	CCAFS SLC 40	None None	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0
3	4	2013-09-29	Falcon 9	500.000000	РО	VAFB SLC 4E	False Ocean	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0
4	5	2013-12-03	Falcon 9	3170.000000	GTO	CCAFS SLC 40	None None	1	False	False	False	NaN	1.0

- 2) But this information is in categorical data format {'False ASDS', 'False Ocean', 'False RTLS', 'None ASDS', 'None None'} which for our forward analysis will not be appropriate.
- 3) For that reason we need to pre-process it. We will do so combining the apply () method with lambda function.

```
#df['Class']=landing_class
df['Class'] = df['Outcome'].apply(lambda landing_class: 0 if landing_class in bad_outcomes else 1)
df[['Class']].head(8)
```

4) Finally we export our data.

```
df.to_csv("csvs/dataset_part_2.csv", index=False)
```

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

- For the EDA we used the following charts:
- A) Scatterplots: In order to look for relationships among variables/features.

```
[Flight Number] vs [Payload Mass]; [Launch Site]
    [Payload] vs [Launch Site]; [Orbit Type]

[Orbit] vs [Flight Number]; [ Payload Mass]
```

- B) Barcharts: in order to map the categorical variables behavior. In this case we want to visually check if there are any relationship between [success] rate and [orbit type].
- C) Lineplots: in order to observe a variable evolution in time.

### **EDA** with SQL

#### The SQL queries performed were:

- Displaying the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission.
- Displaying 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'KSC'.
- Displaying the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS).
- Displaying average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1.
- Listing the date where the successful landing outcome in drone ship was achieved.
- Listing the names of the boosters which have success in ground pad 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 records which will display the month names, successful landing\_outcomes in ground pad ,booster versions, launch site for the months in year 2017
- Ranking the count of successful landing\_outcomes between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20 in descending order

### Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- In order to visualize the Launch Data into an interactive map we used the [Latitude] and [Longitude] features, then added a Circle Marker around each launch site.
- We assigned the dataframe.launch\_outcomes(failures, successes) to classes 0 and 1 with green and red markers on the map in a MarkerCluster()
- Using Haversine's formula we calculated the distance from the Launch Site to various landmarks to find various trends about what is around the Launch Site to measure patterns.

### Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- We used the following interactive charts:
  - Pie Chart: To show the total launches by a certain site.
  - Scatter Graph: To show the relationship between [Outcome] and [Payload Mass] .

#### Dash

- Import dash
- FImport dash\_html\_components as html
- Import dash\_core\_\_components as dcc
- From dash.dependencies import Inpuit, Output

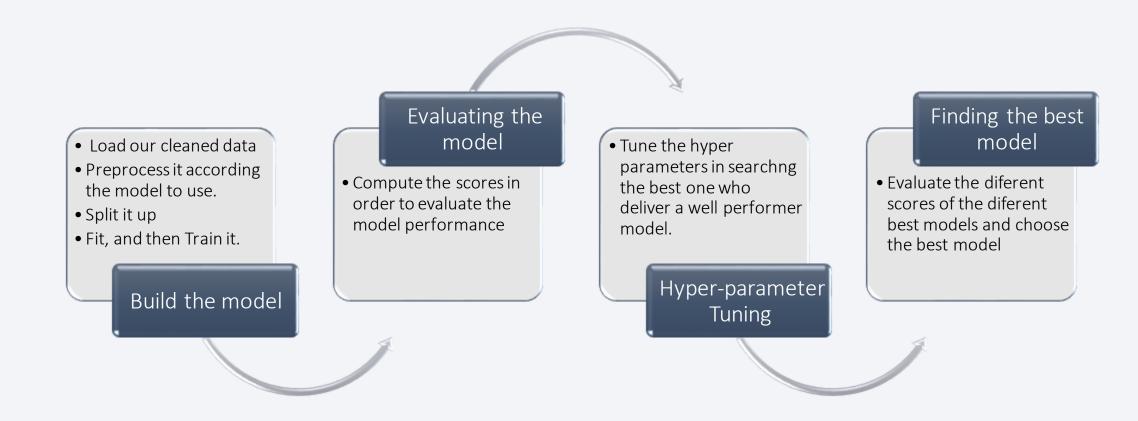
#### Plotly

• Import plotly.express as px

#### Charts

- Pie chart: px.pie()
- Scatter chart : px.scatter()

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

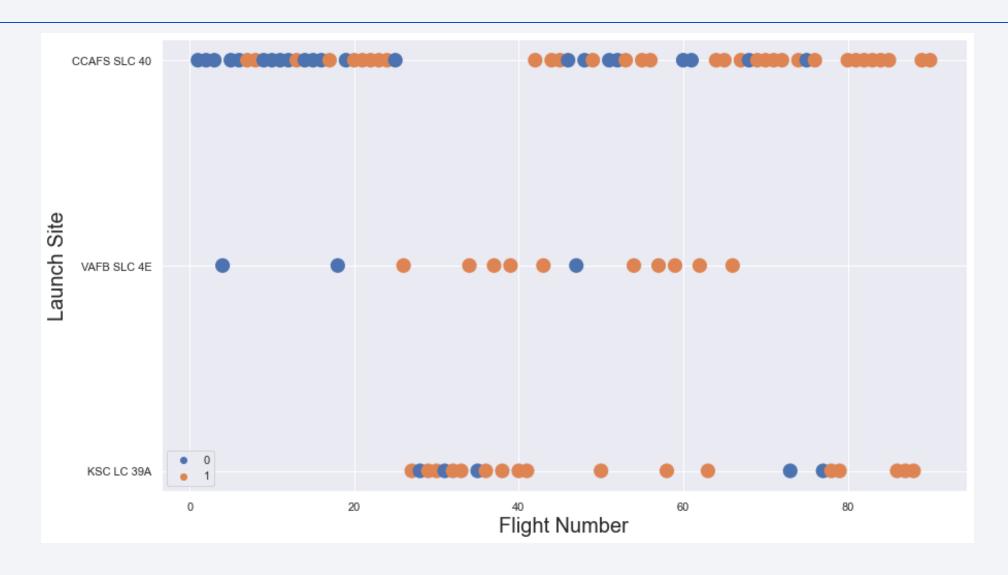


#### Results

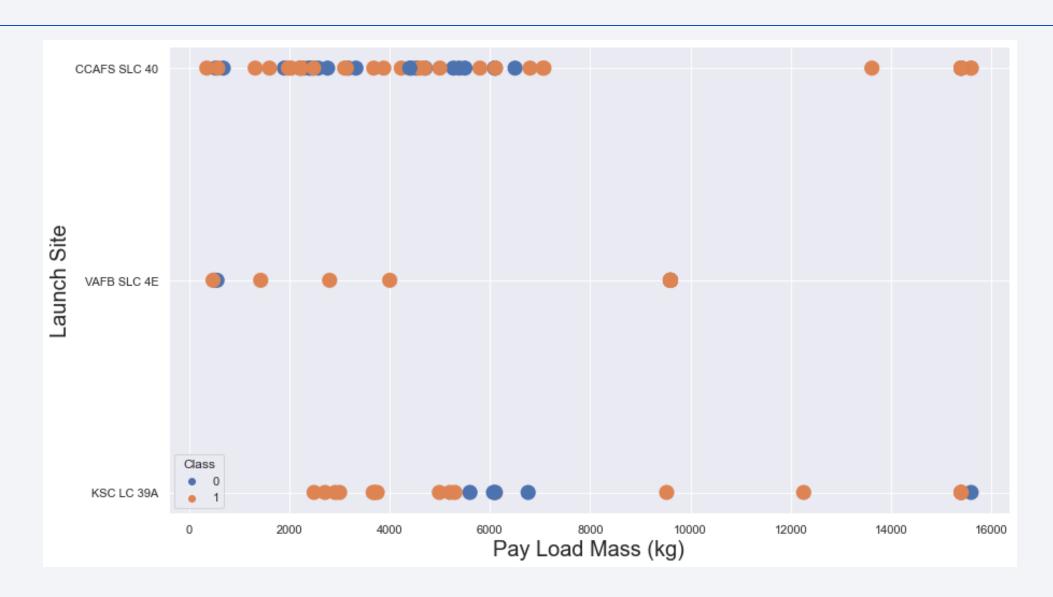
- Exploratory data analysis results
- Interactive analytics demo in screenshots
- Predictive analysis results



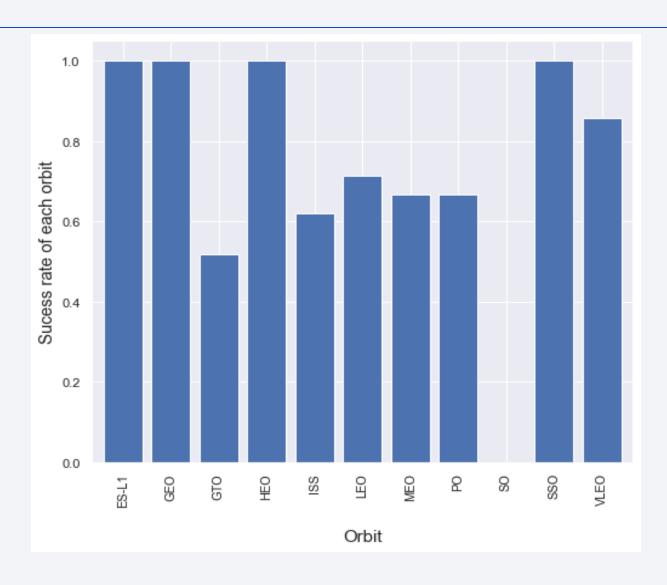
# Flight Number vs. Launch Site



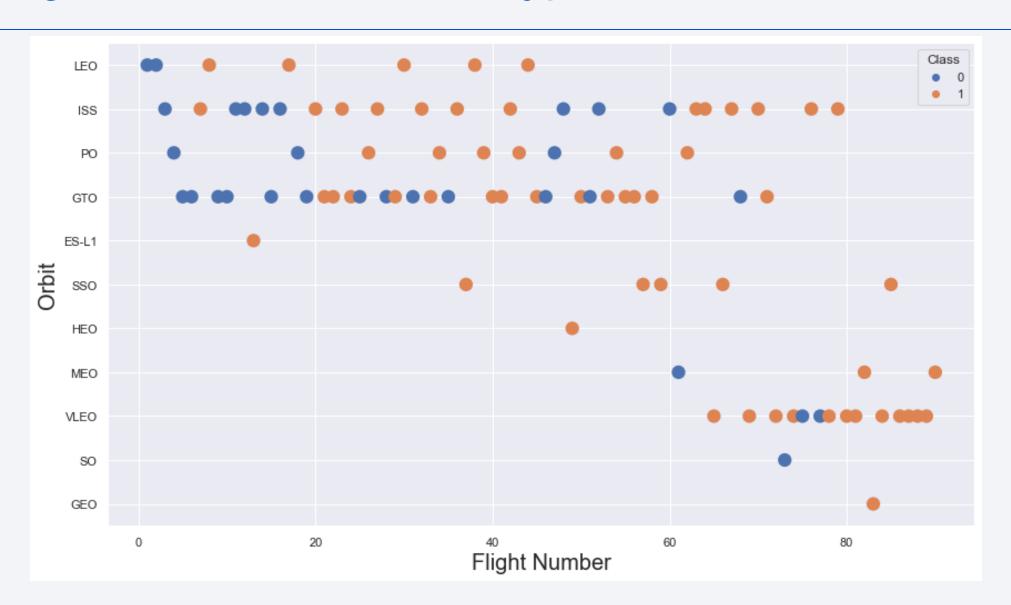
# Payload vs. Launch Site



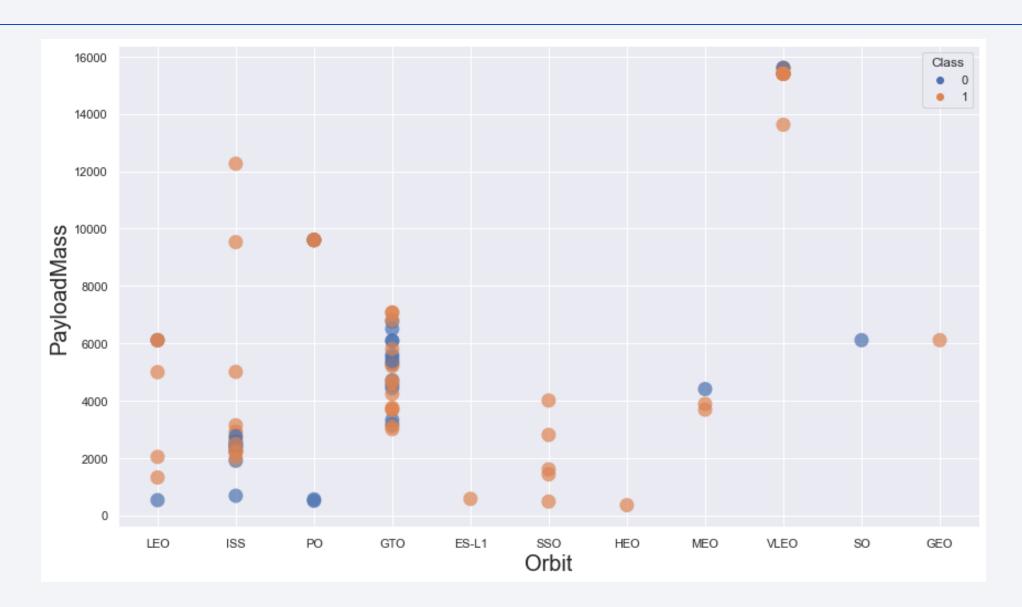
# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



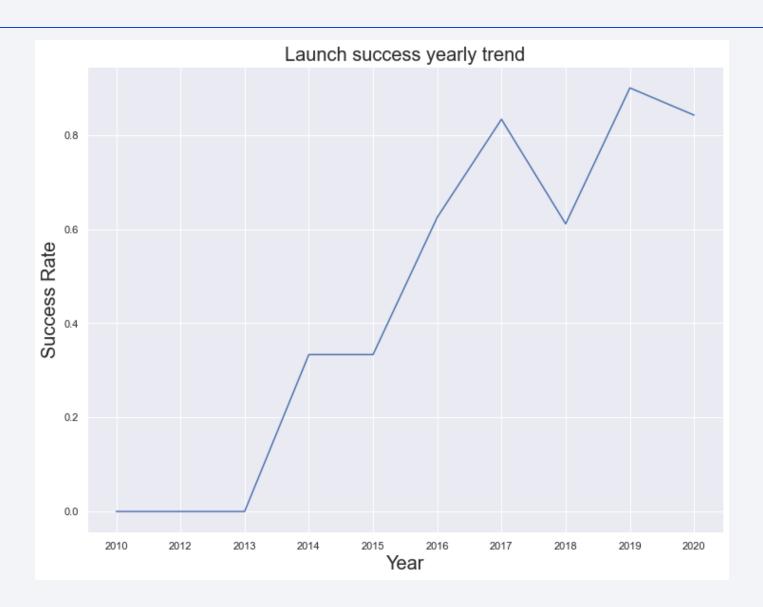
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# Payload vs. Orbit Type



# Launch Success Yearly Trend



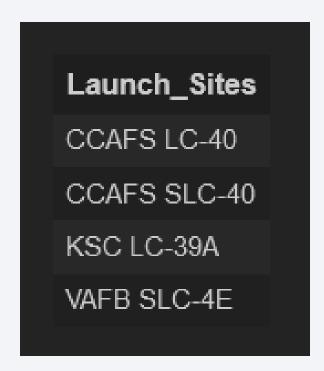
#### All Launch Site Names

• SQL API python code:

%sql SELECT DISTINCT LAUNCH\_SITE as "Launch\_Sites" FROM SPACEX;

Code meaning

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



# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

• SQL API python code:

```
%sql SELECT * FROM SPACEX WHERE LAUNCH_SITE LIKE 'CCA%' LIMIT 5;
```

Code meaning

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

LC-40 Qualification .	
Unit	re (parachute)
Dragon demo flight  2010-12-08 15:43:00 F9 v1.0 B0004 CCAFS CubeSats, 0 LEO (COTS) Success Failur barrel of Brouere cheese	re (parachute)
2012-05-22 07:44:00 F9 v1.0 B0005	ttempt
2012-10-08 00:35:00 F9 v1.0 B0006	ttempt
2013-03-01 15:10:00 F9 v1.0 B0007	ttempt

### **Total Payload Mass**

• SQL API python code:

%sql SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_) AS "Total Payload Mass by NASA (CRS)" FROM SPACEX WHERE CUSTOMER = 'NASA (CRS)'

Code meaning

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

Total Payload Mass by NASA (CRS) 45596

## Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

SQL API python code:

```
\$sql SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) AS "Average Payload Mass by Booster Version F9 v1.1" FROM SPACEX WHERE BOOSTER_VERSION = 'F9 v1.1';
```

Code meaning

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

Average Payload Mass by Booster Version F9 v1.1

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

• SQL API python code:

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

Code meaning

List the date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was achieved.

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

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

• SQL API python code:

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

Code meaning

List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater

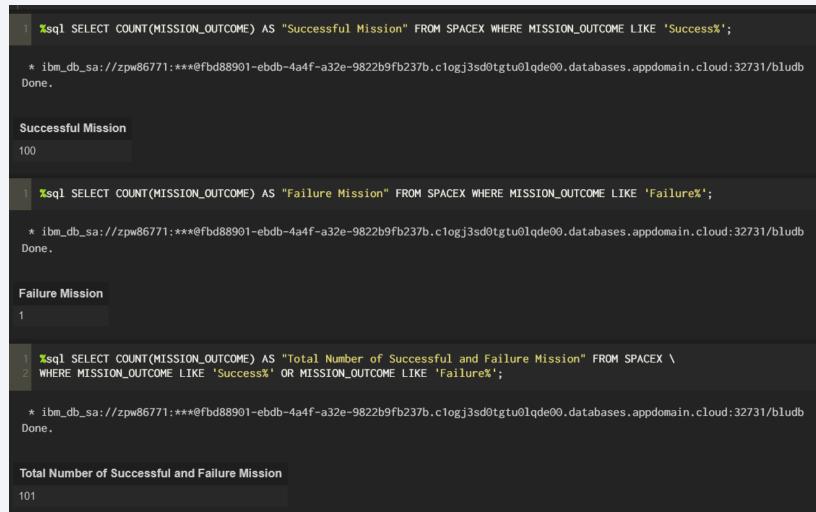
than 4000 but less than 6000



#### Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

• SQL API python code:

Code meaning
 List the total number of successful and failure
 mission outcomes



# **Boosters Carried Maximum Payload**

• SQL API python code:

Code meaning
 List the names of the [booster\_versions]
 which have carried the maximum payload
 Mass.

```
%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);
 * ibm_db_sa://zpw86771:***@fbd88901-ebdb-4a4f-a32e-9822b9fb237b.
Done.
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

• SQL API python code:

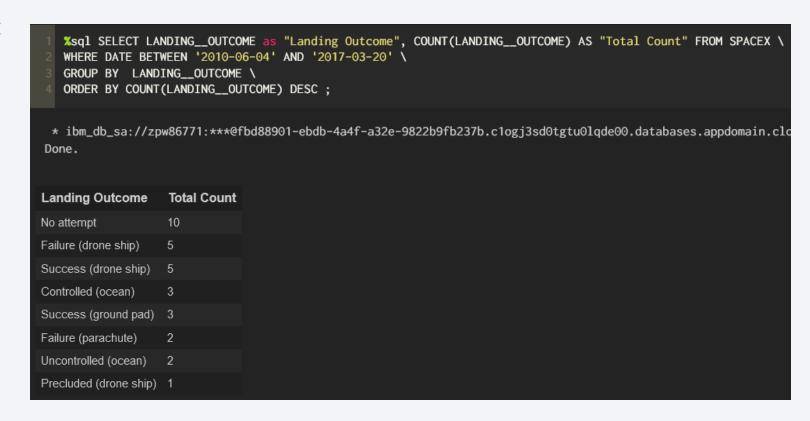
Code meaning

List the failed landing\_outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for the in year 2015

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

• SQL API python code:

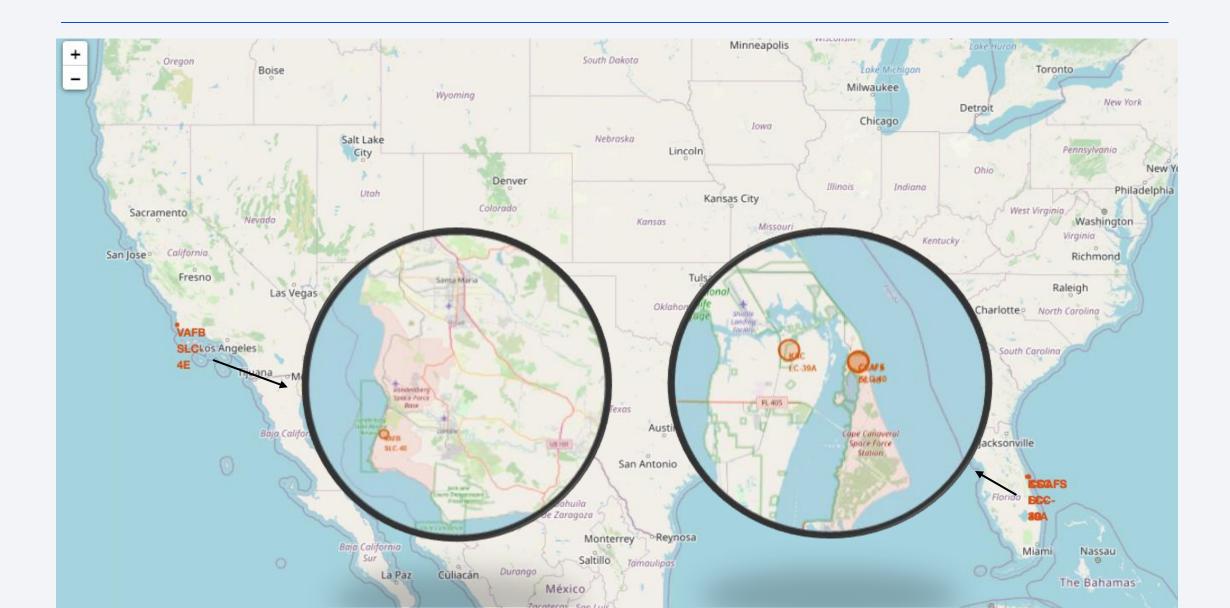
• Code meaning
Rank the count of landing
outcomes (such as Failure
(drone ship) or Success
(ground pad)) between
the date 2010-06-04 and



2017-03-20, in descending order

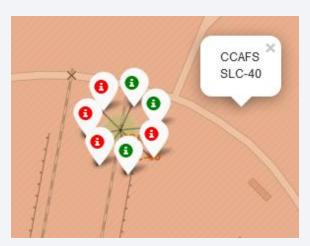


### All launch sites



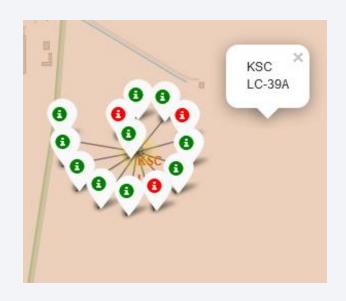
# Launch records labeled by color

• Red -> failed launches | Green -> Succesful launches

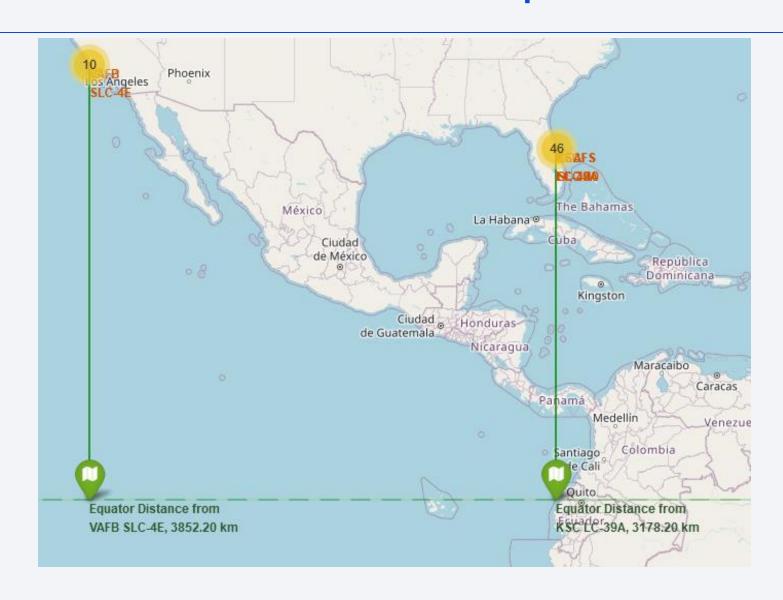




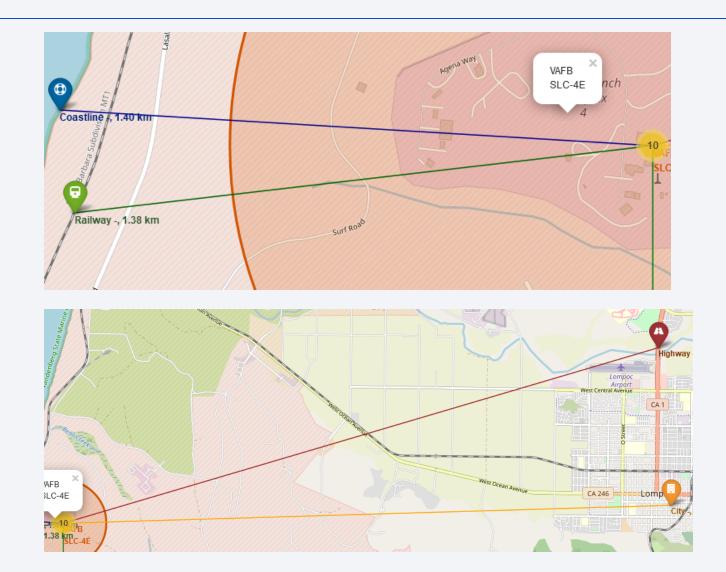




# Launch site distance from the Equator

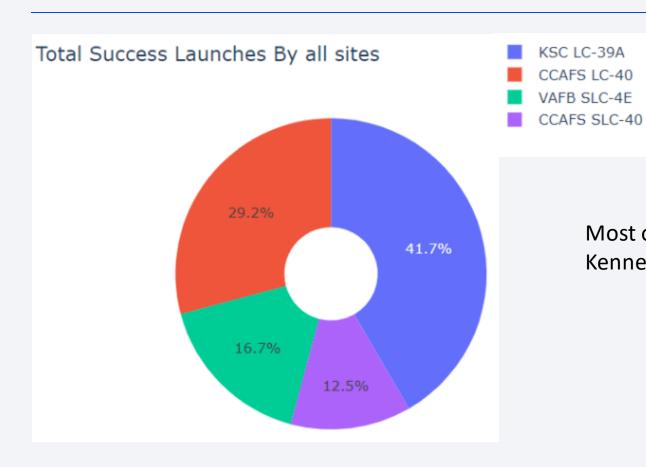


#### Launch site distance from coastline, railway, highway and city.



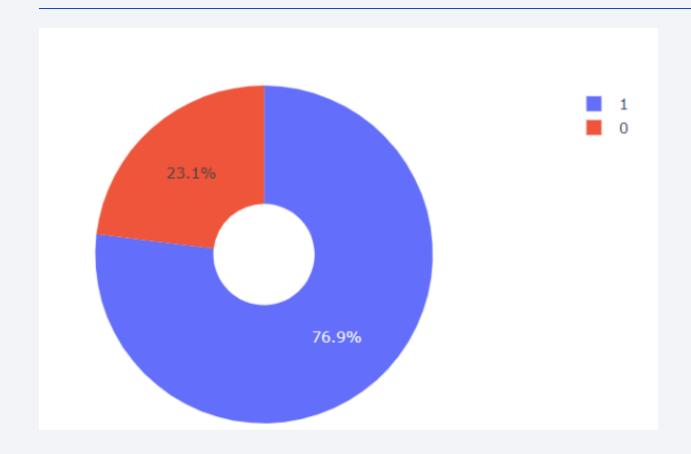


#### Pie Chart of launch success count for all sites.



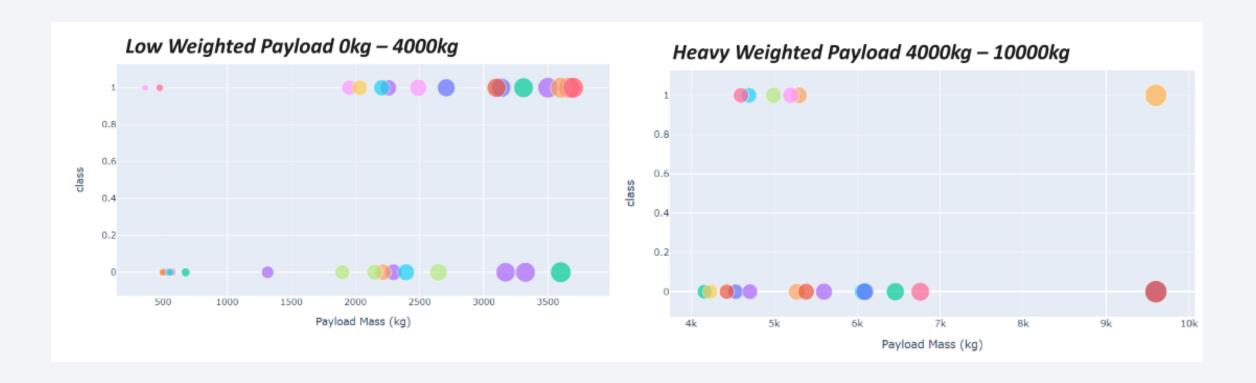
Most of the succeful launches come from the Kennedy Space Center (42%).

### Pie Chart of the launch sit with highest launch success ratio.



The Kennedy space center KSC LC-39A has a 77% success rate.

### Scatter plot for Payload vs Launch Outcome

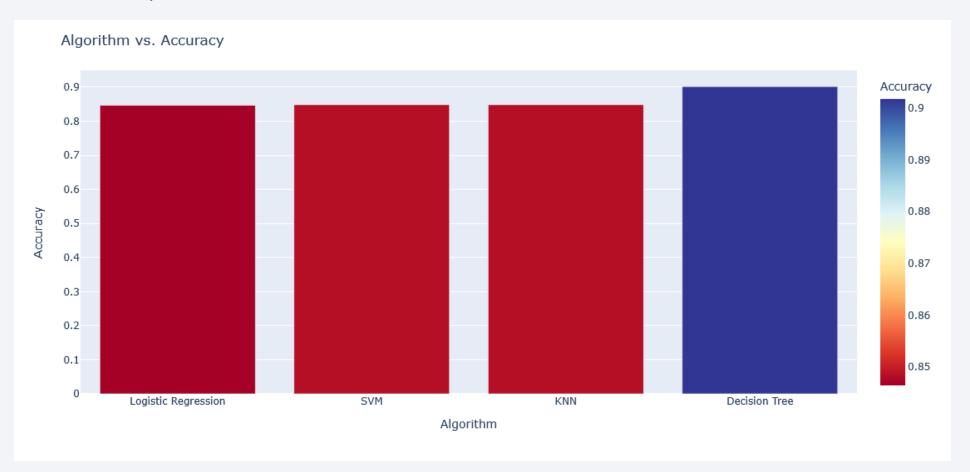


We notice that the success rates for low weighted payloads is higher than the heavy weighted payloads



# Classification Accuracy

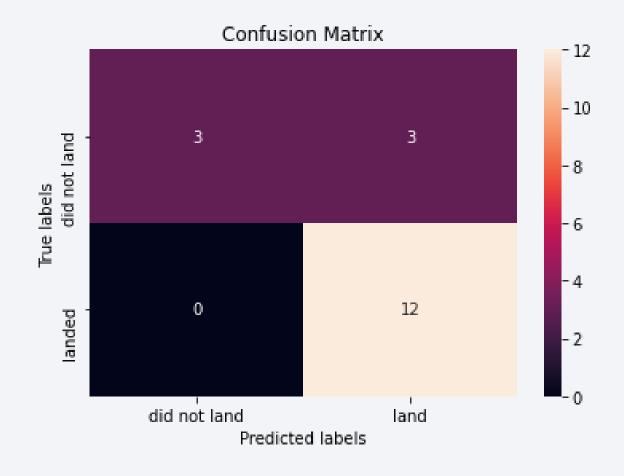
All models show roughly the same performance, but the Decision Tree show a slightly better accuracy score, which tempt us to choose it as best model.



#### **Confusion Matrix**

The model show a good performance classifying the "landed" label, but a poor performance classifying the "no land" label.

All this means that even we tuned our model, maybe we should consider employ another models.



#### Conclusions

- Most of the features we considered in the model are meaningful.
- Our data suffer from imbalance class, we need to treat it.
- Despite the preprocess and data wrangling we performed, the model we bulit have not a very good performance, which gives a room for improvement.
- From the models built, the Decision tree shows the best performance.

