

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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## **Executive Summary**

- Summary of methodologies
  - Data collection
  - Data wrangling
  - EDA with data visualization
  - EDA with SQL
  - Building an interactive map with Folium
  - Building a Dashboard with Plotly Dash
  - Predictive analysis (Classification)
- Summary of all results
  - EDA results
  - Interactive analytics
  - Predictive analysis

#### Introduction

- Project background and context
  - SpaceX 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.
- Problems you want to find answers
  - The project task is to predicting if the first stage of the SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket will land successfully



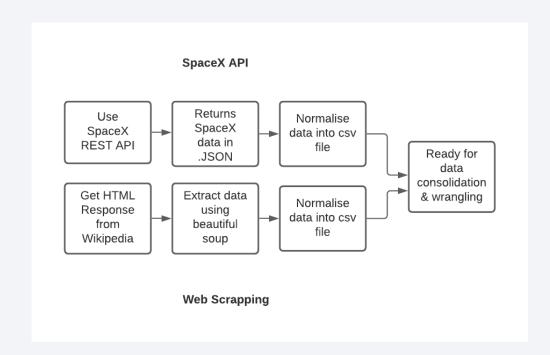
## Methodology

#### **Executive Summary**

- Data collection methodology:
  - SpaceX Rest API
  - Web Scrapping from Wikipedia
- Perform data wrangling
  - One Hot Encoding data fields for Machine Learning and data cleaning of null values and irrelevant columns
- 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

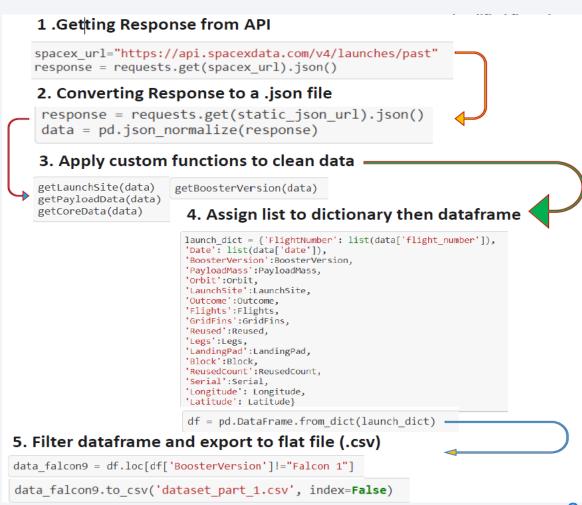
#### **Data Collection**

- The following datasets was collected:
  - SpaceX launch data that is gathered from the SpaceX REST API.
  - This API will give us data about launches, including information about the rocket used, payload delivered, launch specifications, landing specifications, and landing outcome.
  - The SpaceX REST API endpoints, or URL, starts with api.spacexdata.com/v4/.
  - Another popular data source for obtaining Falcon 9
     Launch data is web scraping Wikipedia using
     BeautifulSoup.



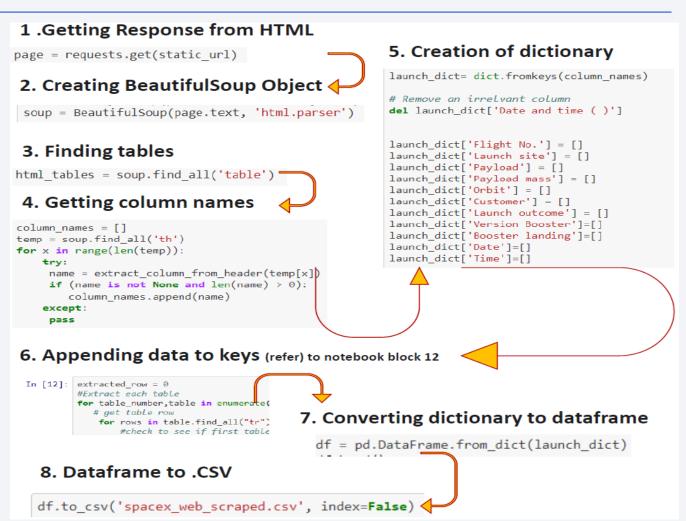
## Data Collection – SpaceX API

Data collection with SpaceX REST calls

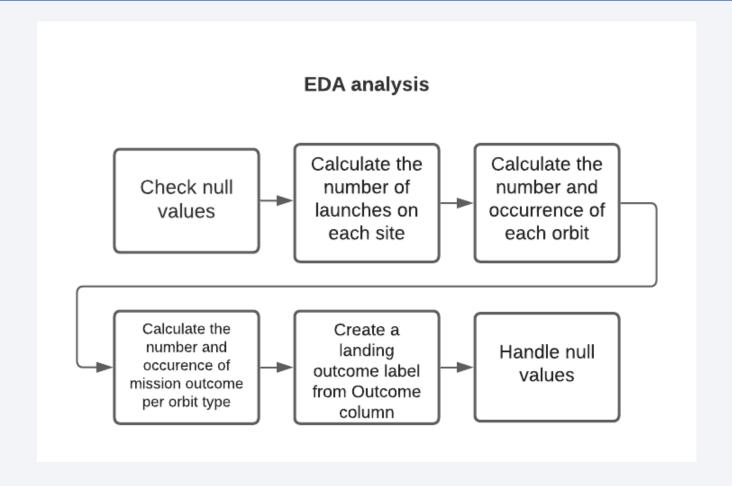


## **Data Collection - Scraping**

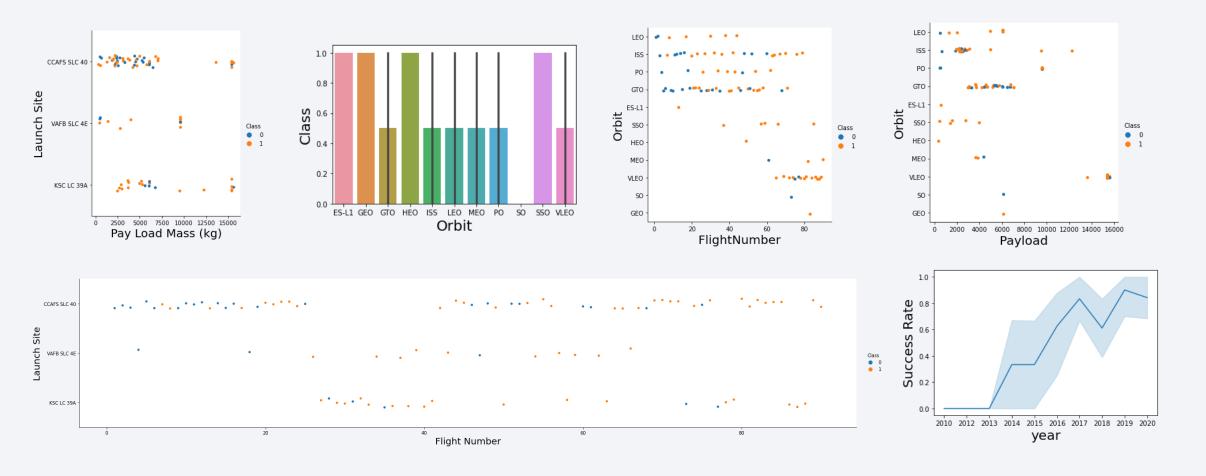
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## **Data Wrangling**



## **EDA** with Data Visualisation

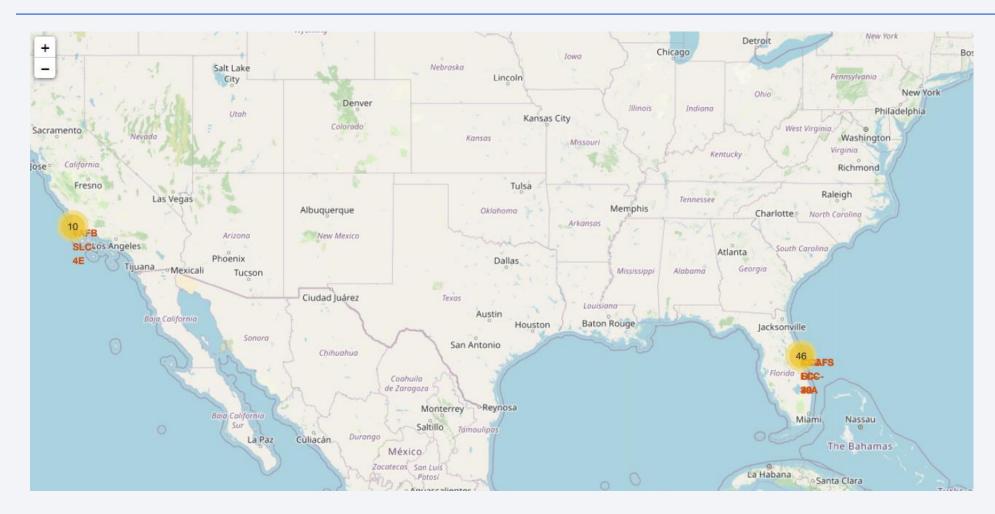


## **EDA** with SQL

#### • SQL queries performed include:

- 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 descendingorder.

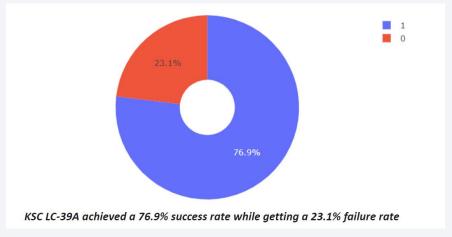
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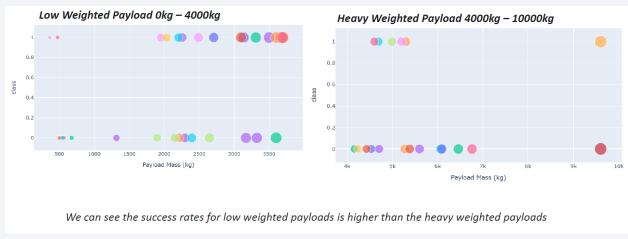


Map markers have been added to the map with aim to finding an optimal location for building a launch site

## Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash



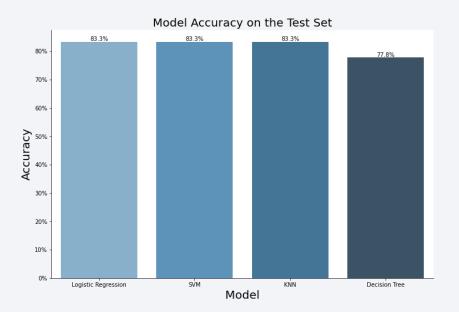


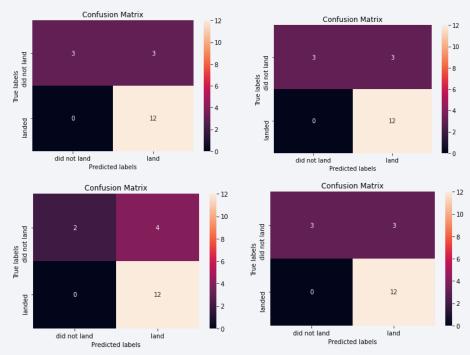


## Predictive Analysis (Classification)

• The SVM, KNN, and Logistic Regression model achieved the highest accuracy at 83.3%, while the SVM performs the best in terms of Area

Under the Curve at 0.958.



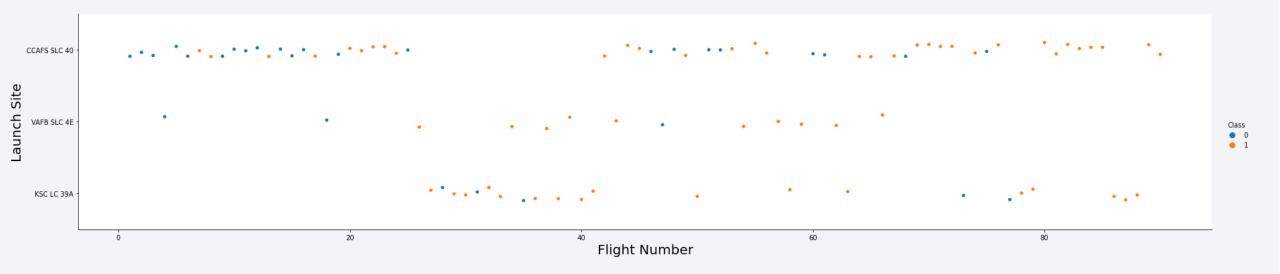


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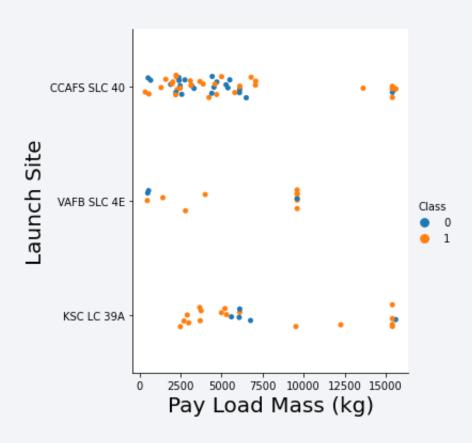


## Flight Number vs. Launch Site



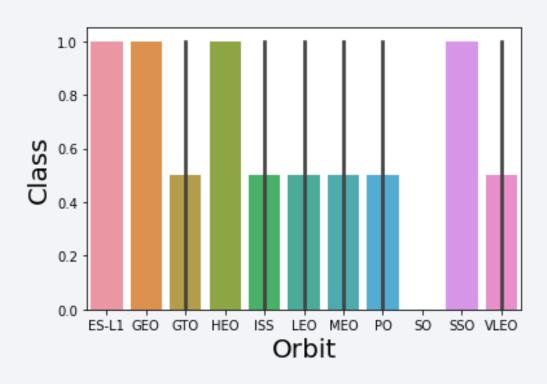
• Launches from the site of CCAFS SLC 40 are significantly higher than launches form other sites.

## Payload vs. Launch Site



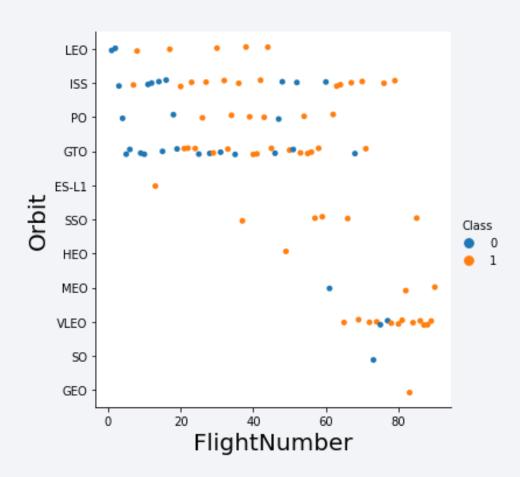
 The majority of IPay Loads with lower Mass have been launched from CCAFS SLC 40.

## Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



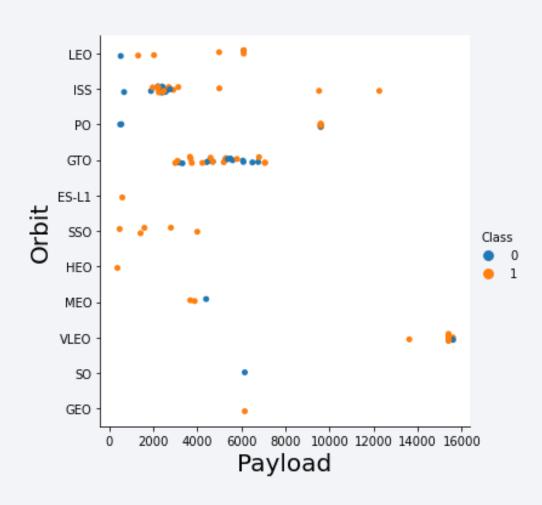
• The orbit types of ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO are among the highest success rate.

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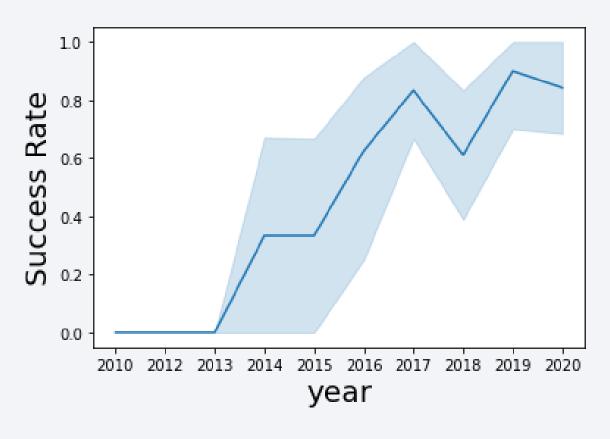
 A trend can be observed of shifting to VLEO launches in recent years.

## Payload vs. Orbit Type



• There are strong correlation between ISS and Payload at the range around 2000, as well as between GTO and the range of 4000-8000.

## Launch Success Yearly Trend



 Launch success rate has increased significantly since 2013 and has stablised since 2019, potentially due to advance in technology and lessons learned.

#### All Launch Site Names

%sql select distinct(LAUNCH\_SITE) from SPACEXTBL

launch\_site

CCAFS LC-40

CCAFS SLC-40

KSC LC-39A

VAFB SLC-4E

## Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

%sql select \* from SPACEXTBL where LAUNCH\_SITE like 'CCA%' limit 5

	timeutc_	booster_version	launch_site	payload	payload_masskg_	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	07:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2	525	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attempt
2012-10- 08	00:35:00	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**

%sql select sum(PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_) from SPACEXTBL where CUSTOMER
 = 'NASA (CRS)'

45596

## Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

• %sql select avg(PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_) from SPACEXTBL where BOOSTER\_VERSION = 'F9 v1.1'

2928.400000

## First Successful Ground Landing Date

 %sql select min(DATE) from SPACEXTBL where Landing\_Outcome = 'Success (ground pad)'

2015-12-22

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

%sql select BOOSTER\_VERSION from SPACEXTBL where Landing\_\_Outcome
 = 'Success (drone ship)' and PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_ > 4000 and
 PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_ < 6000</li>

#### booster\_version

F9 FT B1022

F9 FT B1026

F9 FT B1021.2

F9 FT B1031.2

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

%sql select count(MISSION\_OUTCOME) from SPACEXTBL where
 MISSION\_OUTCOME = 'Success' or MISSION\_OUTCOME = 'Failure (in flight)'

100

## **Boosters Carried Maximum Payload**

 %sql select BOOSTER\_VERSION from SPACEXTBL where PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_ = (select max(PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_) from SPACEXTBL)

> 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

### 2015 Launch Records

• %sql select \* from SPACEXTBL where Landing\_Outcome like 'Success%' and (DATE between '2015-01-01' and '2015-12-31') order by date desc

timeutc_	booster_version	launch_site	payload	payload_masskg_	orbit	customer	mission_outcome	landing_outcome
14:39:00	F9 FT B1031.1	KSC LC-39A	SpaceX CRS-10	2490	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Success (ground pad)
17:54:00	F9 FT B1029.1	VAFB SLC-4E	Iridium NEXT 1	9600	Polar LEO	Iridium Communications	Success	Success (drone ship)
05:26:00	F9 FT B1026	CCAFS LC- 40	JCSAT-16	4600	GTO	SKY Perfect JSAT Group	Success	Success (drone ship)
04:45:00	F9 FT B1025.1	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-9	2257	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Success (ground pad)
21:39:00	F9 FT B1023.1	CCAFS LC- 40	Thaicom 8	3100	GTO	Thaicom	Success	Success (drone ship)
05.34.00	FA FT 04000	CCAFS LC-	ICCAT AA	4505	CTO.	SKY Perfect JSAT	-	

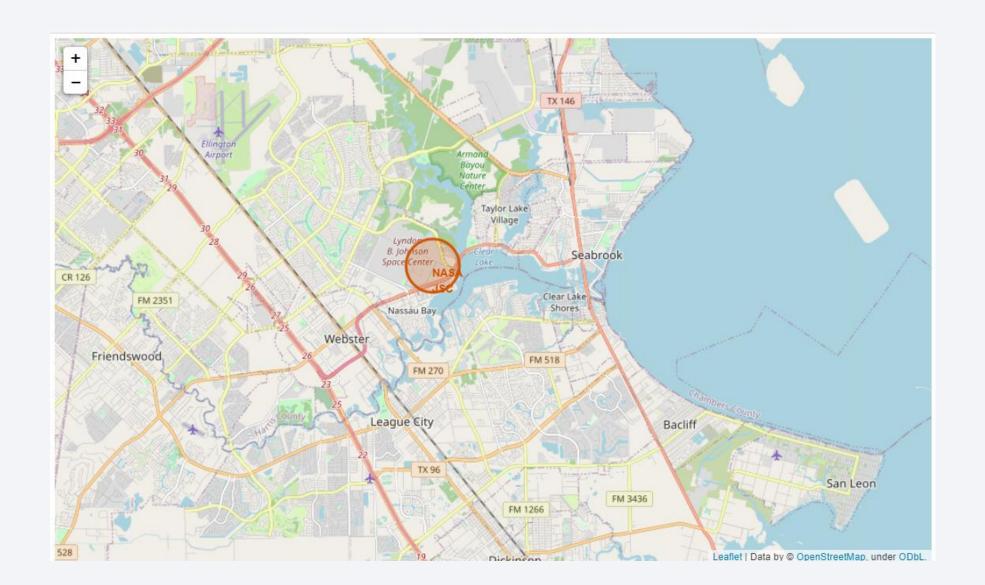
#### Rank Landing Outcomes Between 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20

• %sql select \* from SPACEXTBL where Landing\_Outcome like 'Success%' and (DATE between '2010-06-04' and '2017-03-20') order by date desc

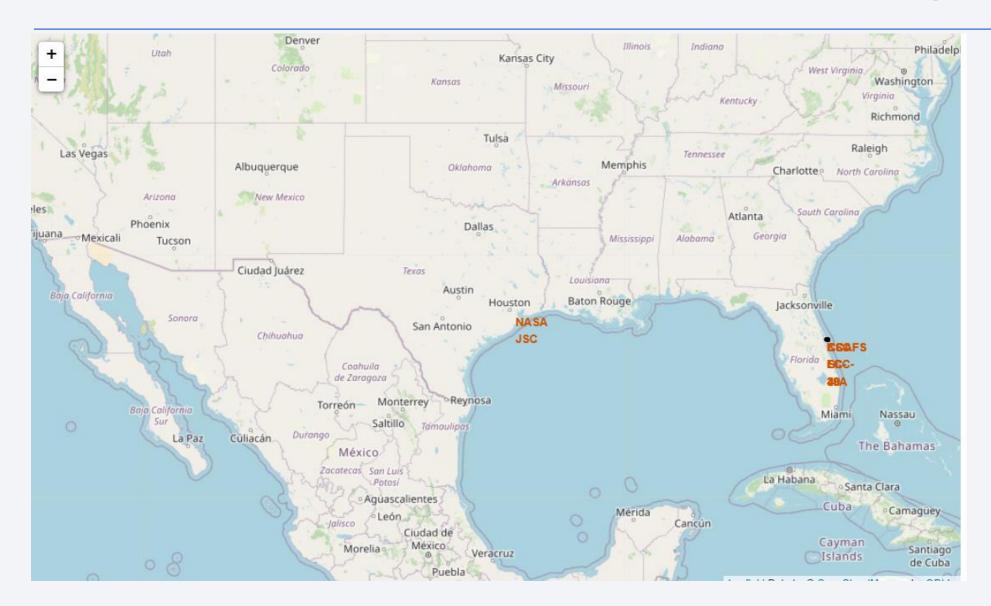
Success (drone ship)	Success	Thaicom	GTO	3100	Thaicom 8	CCAFS LC- 40	F9 FT B1023.1	21:39:00	2016-05- 27
Success (drone ship)	Success	SKY Perfect JSAT Group	GTO	4696	JCSAT-14	CCAFS LC- 40	F9 FT B1022	05:21:00	2016-05- 06
Success (drone ship)	Success	NASA (CRS)	LEO (ISS)	3136	SpaceX CRS-8	CCAFS LC- 40	F9 FT B1021.1	20:43:00	2016-04- 08
Success (ground pad)	Success	Orbcomm	LEO	2034	OG2 Mission 2 11 Orbcomm-OG2 satellites	CCAFS LC- 40	F9 FT B1019	01:29:00	2015-12- 22



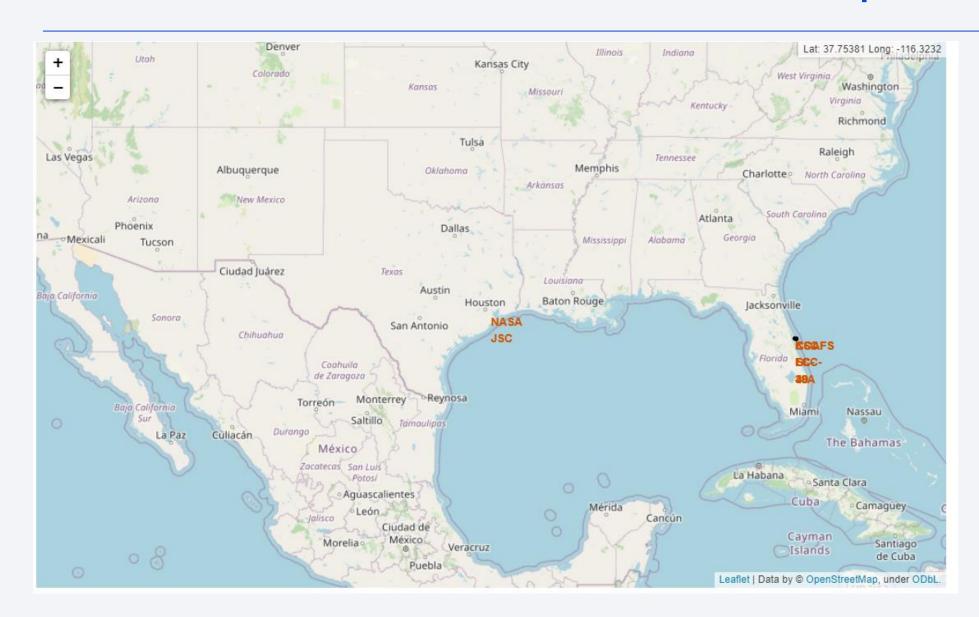
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# Success/failed launches marked on the map

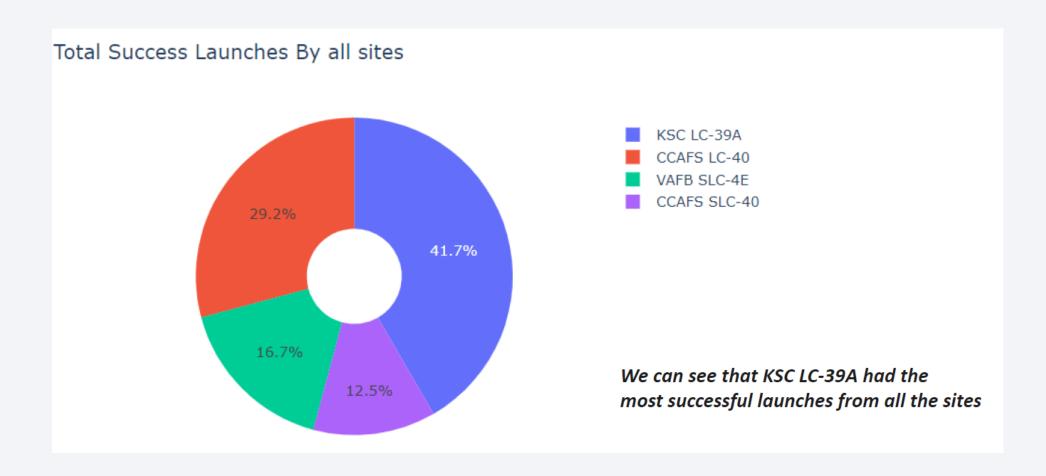


## Distances between a launch site to its proximities

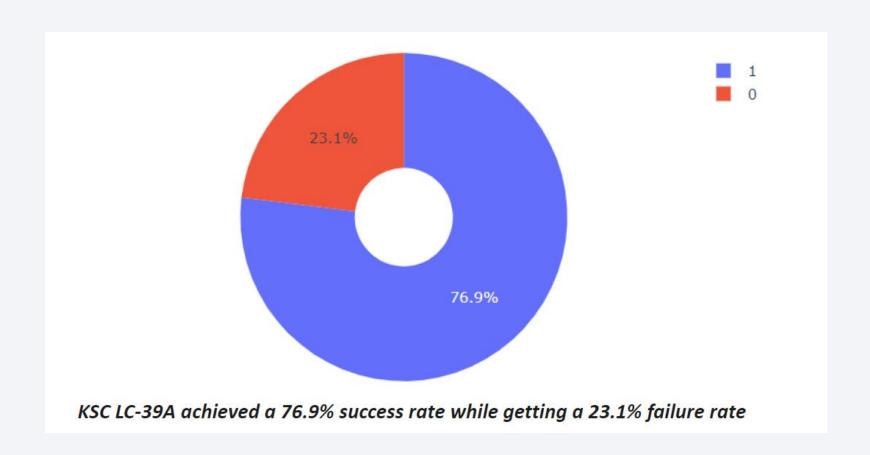




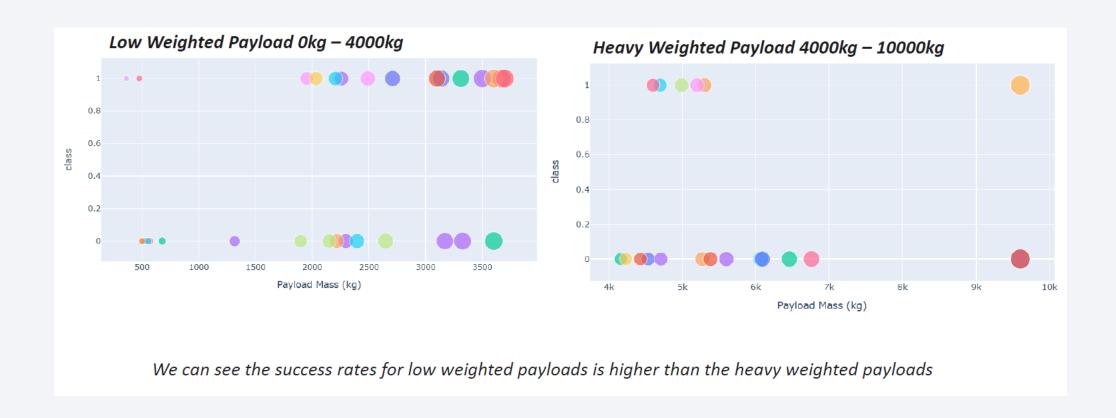
## Total success launches by all sites



# Success rate by site

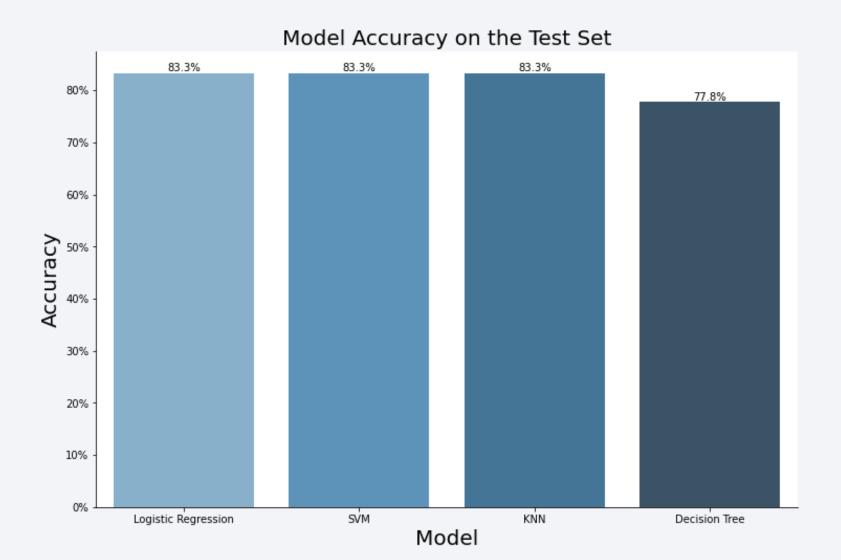


## Payload vs launch outcome

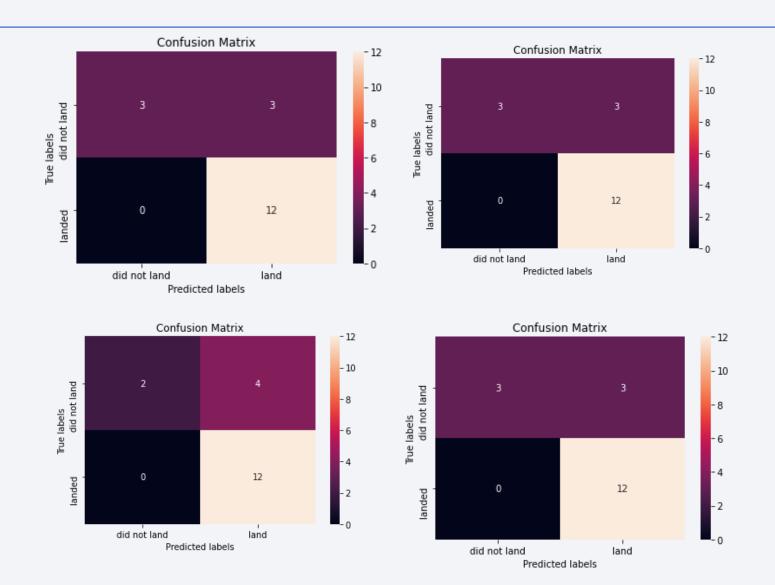




# **Classification Accuracy**



## **Confusion Matrix**



#### **Conclusions**

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