

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

- Summary of methodologies
 - Data was collected from SpaceXdata API
 - Data was collected from scraped from Wikipedia
 - Data wrangling process included converting Missing Outcomes to classes
 - Exploratory Data Analysis with SQL and data visualizations (plots and maps)
 - Predictive analysis to train model
- Summary of all results
 - Exploratory data analysis results
 - Logistic Regression, SVM (Support Vector Machine), and KNN (k-Nearest Neighbors) results

Introduction

Project background and context

SpaceX advertises Falcon 9 rocket launches on its website, with a cost of 62 million dollars. Other providers cost up to165 million dollars each. SpaceX savings and price difference are because SpaceX can reuse the first stage. Space Y that would like to compete with SpaceX founded by Billionaire industrialist Allon Musk. 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 SpaceX for a rocket launch

Problems you want to find answers

- How features such as payload mass, launch site, number of flights, and orbits affect successful landing of the first stage.
- Determine price of each launch.
- Train machine learning model and use public information if the first stage will land successfully.



Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Using SpaceX API and web scraping Wikipedia web page
- Perform data wrangling
 - Data was filtered, included converting Missing Outcomes to classes, convert missing values and apply one hot encoding
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - Tested Logistic Regression, Support Vector machines, Decision Tree Classifier, and K-nearest neighbors. Reviewed the output of the confusion matrix. Decision Tree has the highest accuracy of 87.5%

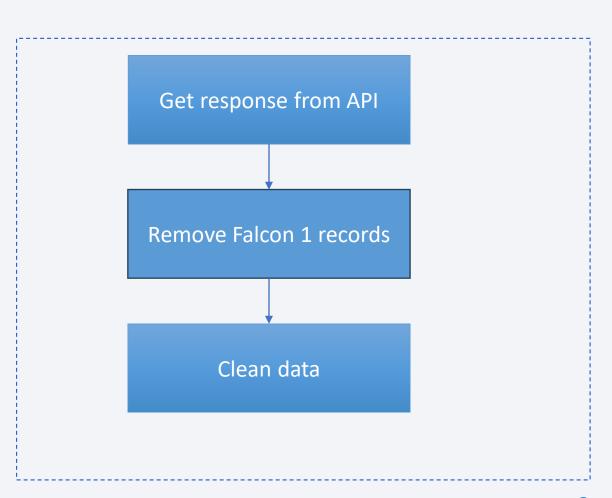
Data Collection

• Data was collected using API calls to the SpaceX API and Web Scraping the Wikipedia page. We decoded the data and adding to a data frame.

Data Collection – SpaceX API

- We got the data with SpaceX REST calls.
- We made subsequent calls to get other information, i.e Launch site information from ID
- Store date in lists
- Remove Falcon 1 records
- Remove nulls

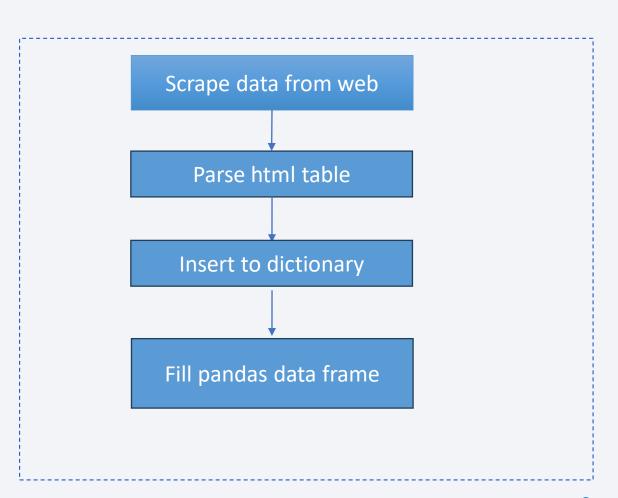
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Data Collection - Scraping

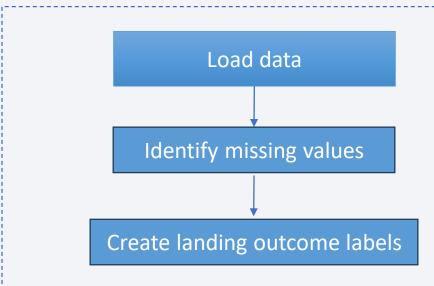
- Scraped data from Wiki page
- Parse the table
- Insert to dictionary
- Convert to Panda data frame

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Data Wrangling

 We retrieved the data and performed some Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) to find some patterns in the data and determine what would be the label for training supervised models.



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EDA with Data Visualization

Multiple graphs was plotted with Matplotlib to see determine relationship between various features.

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EDA with SQL

 Various SQL was performed to the datasets to get booster information, payload, outcomes by dates and years

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Build an Interactive Map with Folium

• Created and plotted map objects with markers, circles, lines using folium map. This helps look at markers, clusters of similar coordinates grouped by, and drawing lines to closest city, railway and highway as well as how location affects launch outcomes.

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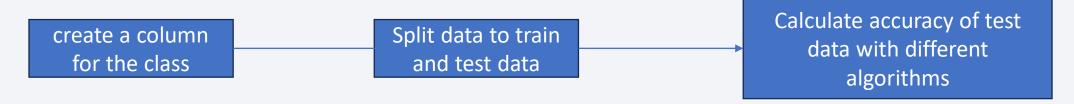
Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- We created a dashboard to show success rates for launch sites and how payload range changes can affect success count by booster version. This interactive dashboard show changes as options are changed.
- We wanted to look at how each launch sites shows success rates and why payload may be a feature in launch outcomes.

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Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- We loaded data into data frames and created a machine learning pipeline to predict if the first stage will land given the data.
- We tested with SVM, KNN, Logical regression and decision tree algorithms and listed the accuracies from most accurate to least accurate.



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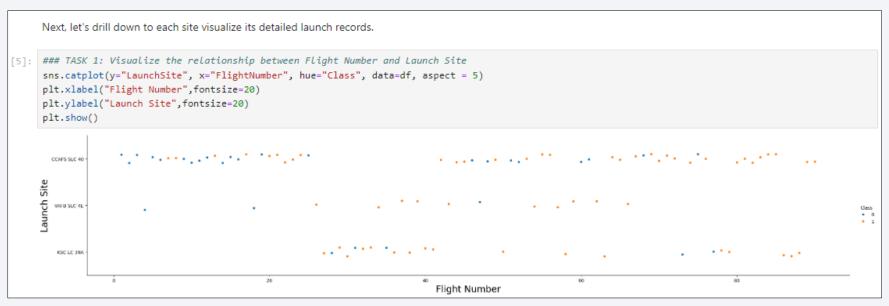
Results

- Exploratory data analysis results
 - KSC LC-39A has the highest success rate among landing sites
 - Orbits Types ES-L1,GEO, HEO and SSO has 100% success of landing
- Interactive analytics demo in screenshots
 - Most launch sites are in proximity to the Equator line
 - Most launch sites are in very close proximity to the coast
- Predictive analysis results
 - All 4 models performed really well and are close in accuracies. Decision tree performed slightly more well.



Flight Number vs. Launch Site

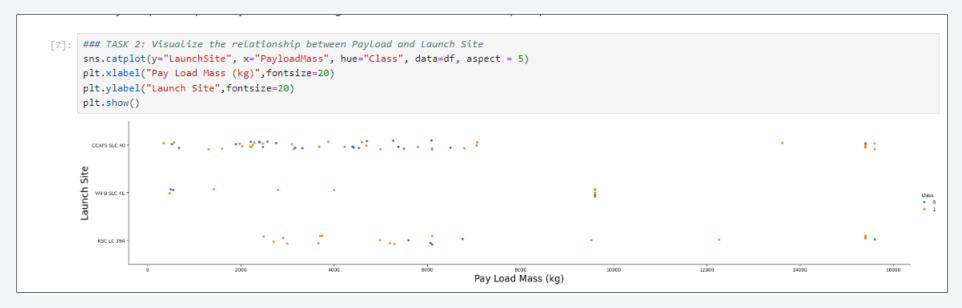
- Launches from **Site** CCAFS SLC 40 are higher than others
- More flight numbers increases the success rate, with more oranges to the right of the chart.



Catplot to show relationship between FlightNumber and Launch Site.

Payload vs. Launch Site

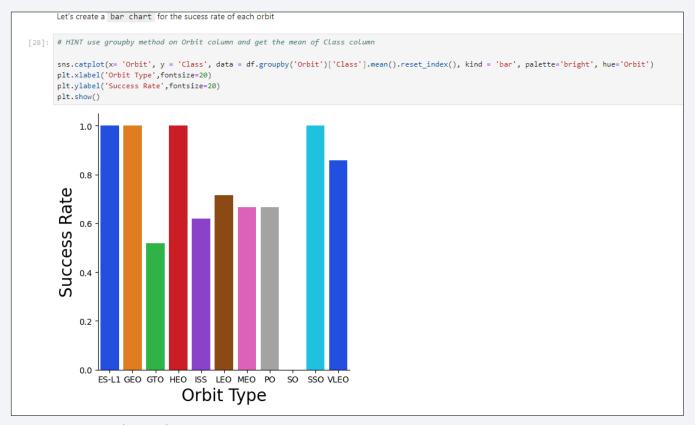
- More launches happens within the 0 to 7000 kg payload
- Scattered success rate for higher payload



Catplot to show relationship between PayloadMass and Launch Site

Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

- 100% successful rates for orbit types ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO.
- 0 success for orbit type SO
- 50 -85% for the other orbit types



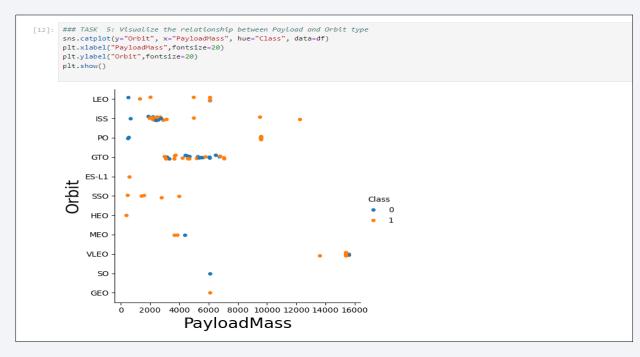
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

Success rates typically increases with flight numbers are evident for LEO and ISS.



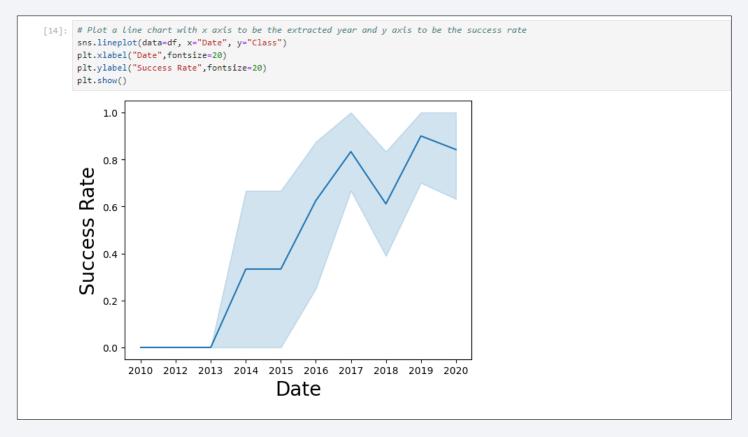
Payload vs. Orbit Type

- LEO, ISS and PO has more success with heavier payload
- ES-L1, SSO has success rates with lower pay loads
- The rest does not seem to have a correlation



Launch Success Yearly Trend

- No success rate in the early 2010s
- Success rate increased consistently with plateau in 2014, and a dip in 2018 and 2020



All Launch Site Names

The 4 unique sites are displayed here using the distinct keyword to filter unique values



Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

Launch Sites starting with CCA was queried using the like query

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	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 (parachut
	2012- 05-22	7:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2	525	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attem
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Total Payload Mass

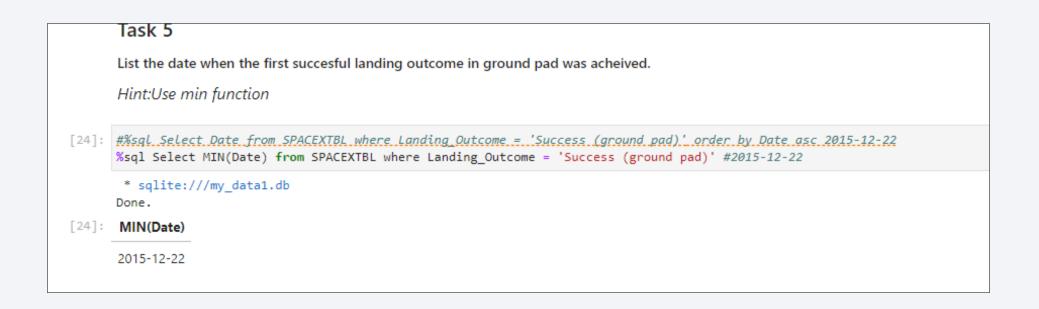
Get the total payload mass carried by NASA CRS using the SUM keyword

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

Get the average payload mass carried by Booster F9 v1.1 using the SUM keyword.

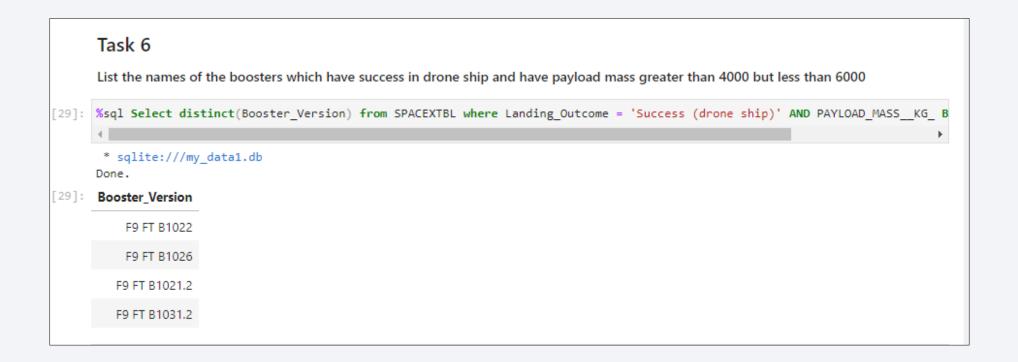
First Successful Ground Landing Date

To find the first successful ground landing date, we use the min date keyword with the lading outcome column filtered to 'Success (ground pad)'



Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

To find the successful landing for **drone** ship between 4000 and 6000 kg, we use the distinct booter version with filter for landing outcome column and between keyword for the payload mass column.



Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

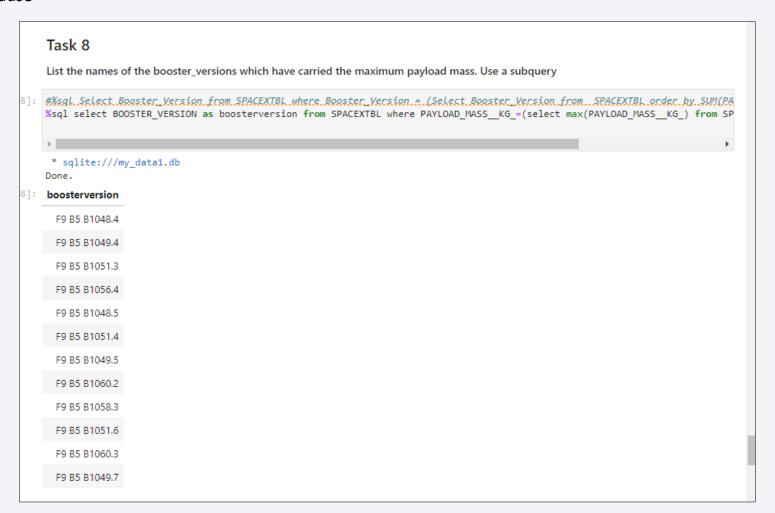
To get the count for success and failure, we would need to group by the Mission Outcome column and count the Mission Outcomes.

We see the outcomes are 99 true success, 1 success with unknown payload status and 1 failure

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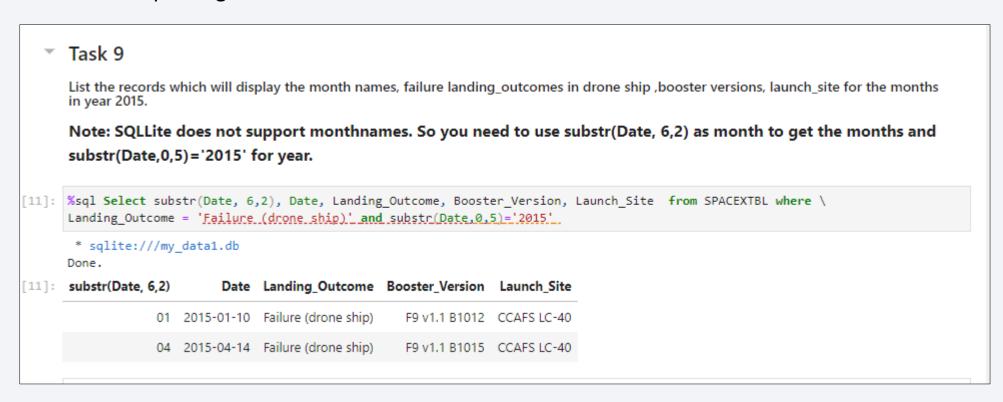
Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

To get the list of boosters that caried max payload, we get the max payload in a subquery and use that in the first query where clause



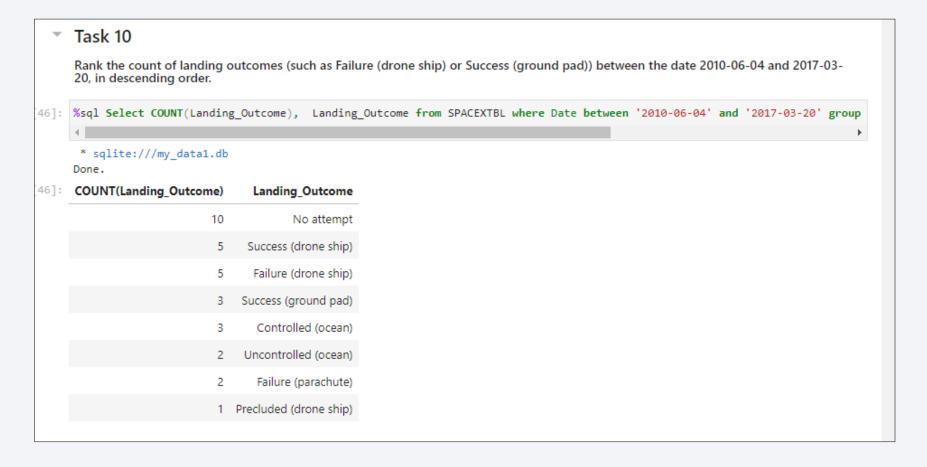
2015 Launch Records

We get the dates for year 2015 by filtering the date column with substring and the landing outcome for drone ship. We get 2 dates in 2015.



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

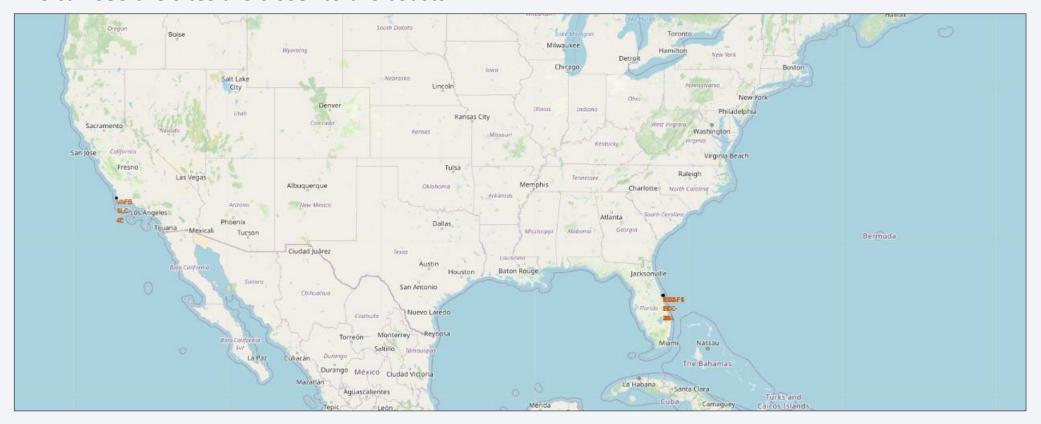
To get the outcomes between 2010 and 2017, we use the between keyword on the date column and do a count on the landing outcomes ordered by highest count at the top. 10 is the highest outcome but without outcome status.





All Launch Sites Markers

- Created and plotted map objects with markers, circles, lines using folium map. This helps look at markers, clusters of similar coordinates grouped by, and drawing lines to closest city, railway and highway as well as how location affects launch outcomes.
- We can see the sites are closer to the coasts.



Cluster Markers

We can clearly see the numbers and on click the spread of success and failed outcomes for those coordinates with the marker clusters.

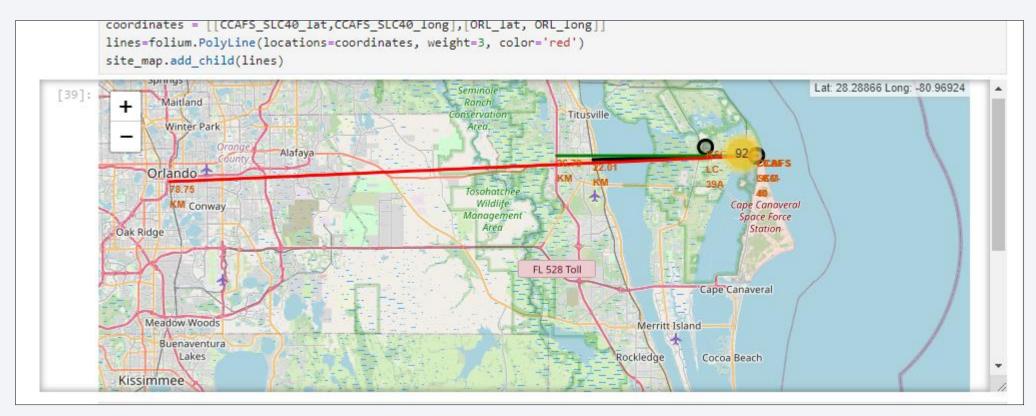


Marker cluster when clicked and zoomed out



Launch site proximities

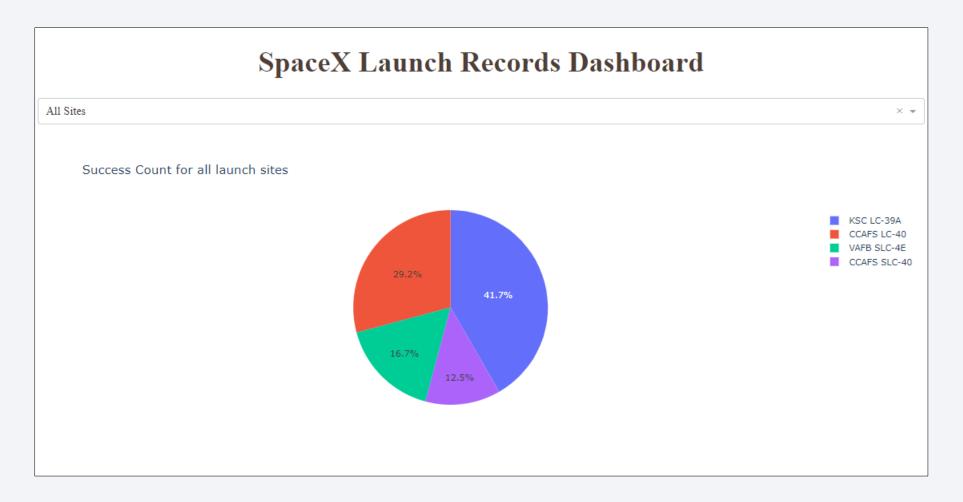
Here we can see the 3 lines, red, green and black showing distances between the launch sites to nearest landmarks in kilometers.





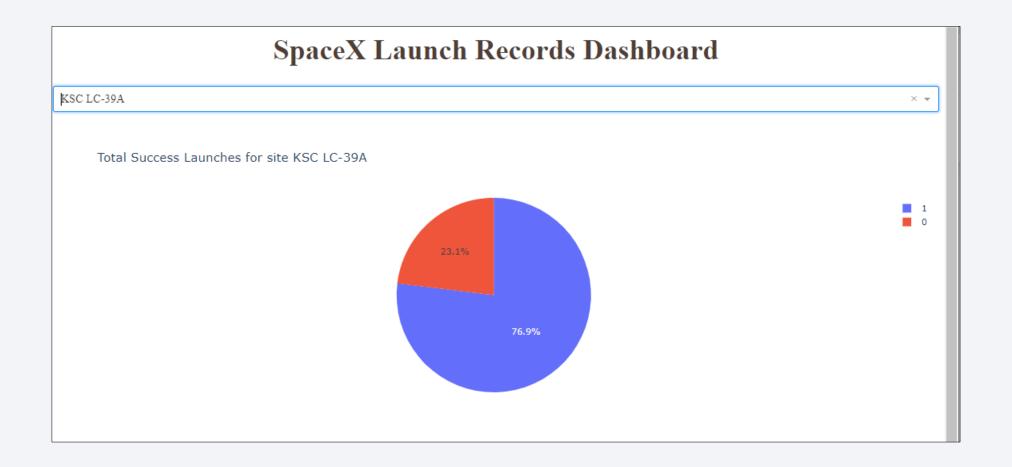
Dashboard – Launch success for all sites

In this pie chart, we can See KSC LC-39A has the highest success for launches



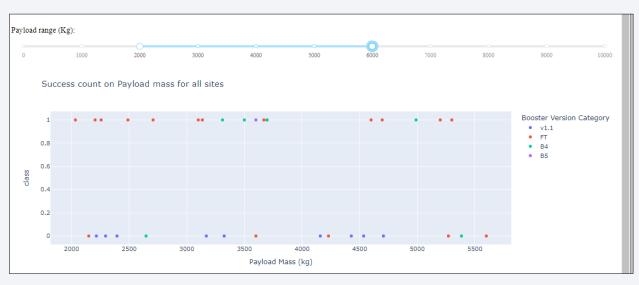
Dashboard – Highest launch rate

KSC LC-39A Site show below with success and failure rates. Among all sites, this is the site with most success.



Dashboard – payload selector

- In these images, we can payload between 2000 and 600 has highest success.
- Higher payloads has less success.



Payload range with high success

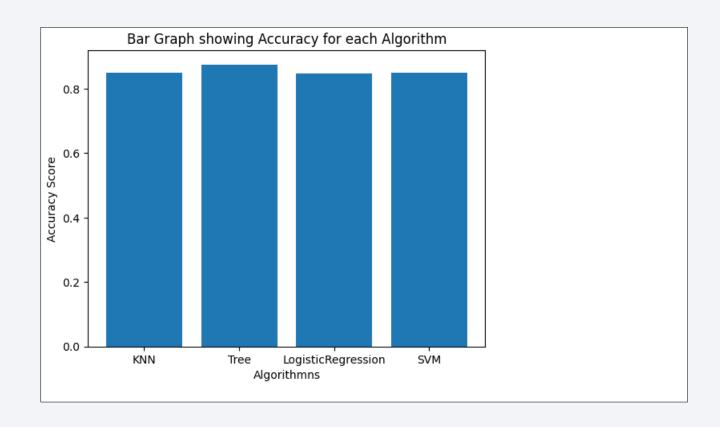


Payload range with low success



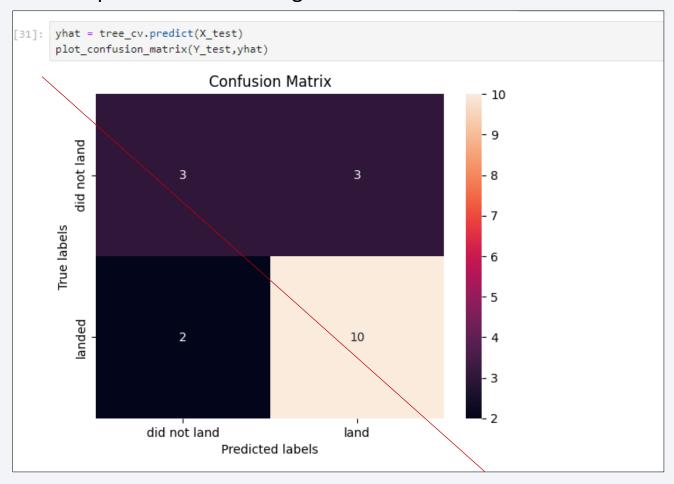
Classification Accuracy

Bar chat below shows the accuracy comparison for all algorithms. All 4 has pretty close rates. However, tree has the highest accuracy of 87%.



Confusion Matrix

The best model is the decision tree and here is the confusion matrix for that model. The diagonal line shows the true positive and true negative values.



Conclusions

- There is a correlation between number of flights and success rates. As the number of flights increase, success increases.
- 100% successful rates for orbit types ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO .
- Launch site KSC LC-39A has the highest success for launches.
- Decision tree has the best accuracy for prediction and is the best model for this data set.

Appendix

All notebooks, screenshots and data sets are available on my GitHub Repository.

GIT REPO URL: https://github.com/megalaanbarasu/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone

