

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

- Summary of methodologies
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 - Predictive analysis (classification with machine learning)
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Introduction

Project background and context

SpaceX advertises Falcon 9 rocket launches on its website a cost of 62 million dollars; meantime other providers cost over 165 million 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.

Problems to find answers

- How do variables such as payload mass, launch site, number of flights, and orbits affect the success of the first stage landing?
- How the rate of successful landings evolve in time?
- What is the best algorithm to predict this goal?



Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Data collected through SpaceX API and Web scraping from Wikipedia
- Perform data wrangling
 - Data was processed with pandas filtering, dealing with missing values
- 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, tuning, evaluation of classification models.

Data Collection

- Data collection process involved two principal sources: SpaceX API and Wikipedia scraping. To collect this was used resquest and beautifulsoup python packages
- Data columns obtained from SpaceX REST API:
 - booster version, payload mass, orbit, launch site, outcome, flights, grid, if is reused, legs, landing pad, block, reused count, serial, longitude, latitude
- Data columns obtained from Wikipedia, using web scraping:
 - Flight number, lauch site, payload, payload mass, orbit, customer, launch outcome, date, time

Data Collection – SpaceX API

Was used get request to the SpaceX API to collect data, clean the requested data and some basic data wrangling and formatting.

API call (JSON response)



Preprocessing stage
Data parse JSON to Python dataframe
Data filtering Falcon 9



Wrangling stage
Handling of missing values



Export stage
Export Python dataframe to csv

Data Collection - Scraping

 Present your web scraping process using key phrases and flowcharts Data request from wikipedia (HTML response)



Preprocessing stage
Data selection
Data HTML syntaxis cleaning



Data parsing stage
HTML parse to Python data frame



Export stage
Export Python dataframe to csv

Data Wrangling

- Really data wrangling starts in data collection from API, where missing data was processed, in this secton several number were calculated:
- Calculate the number of launches on each site
- Calculate the number and occurrence of each orbit
- Calculate the number and occurrence of mission outcome of the orbits
- Create a landing outcome label from Outcome column.
 Creating this label implies the classification of each landing as either a success or a failure (1 / 0).
- Finally export the dataframe as csv file.

Load dataset as pandas dataframe



Process data: calculate numbers, and classificate landing outcome. Creating 'Class' column as success or failure (1/0)



Using class column calculate success rate (mean)



Export stage
Export Python dataframe to csv

EDA with Data Visualization

• There were five scatter plots shows relationships between a pair of variables and class (success vs failure) flight number vs payload mass, flight number vs launch site, launch site vs payload mass, flight number vs orbit type and orbit vs payload mass. Column plot success rate vs orbit shows differences between orbits. And finally line plot success rate vs year shows the evolution in time of success rate.

EDA with SQL

- Data was loaded into an sqlite database to use SQL queries
- Queries were written to obtain, among others, the following data:
 - Names of unique launch sites
 - Total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
 - Average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v 1.1
 - Total number of successful and failure missions outcomes
 - Date of first successful landing outcome in ground pad was acheived
 - Failed landing outcomes in 2015

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Circles and markers were created to identify launch sites on the map, indicating whether the launches were successful (green) or failures (red).
- Several places were located (nearest city, railroad, coastline) distances were calculated and added to the map connected by lines

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

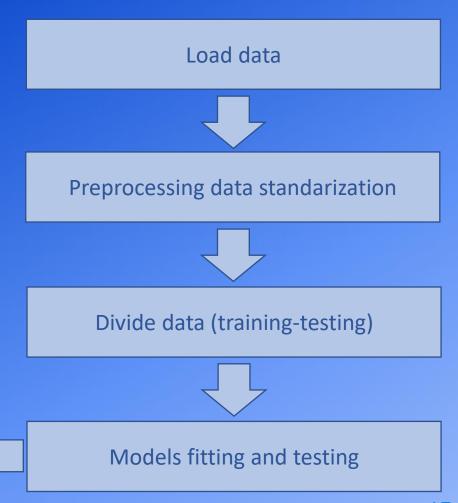
The dashboard built using plotly and dash has two sections:

- A dropdown list where you can select all sites or individual sites, and a pie chart that displays the success/failure proportion.
- A scatter plot showing payload mass vs. class (1 = success, 0 = failure), which can be filtered by payload mass range using a slider.

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- Process for predictive analysis
- Import data from csv
- Preprocessing data:
 - Class to numpy array,
 - Data standardization
- Divide data training / testing
- Fiting models: logistic regression, svm, decision tree, k nearest neighbors
- Evaluate models: confusion matrix, accuracy score

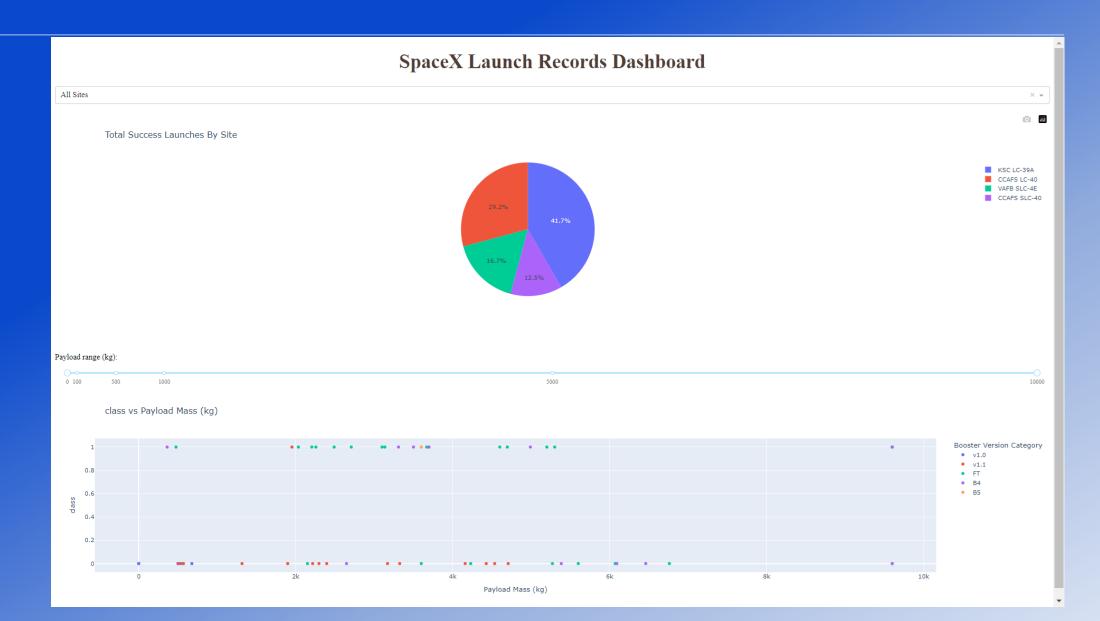
Best performance evaluation



Results

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

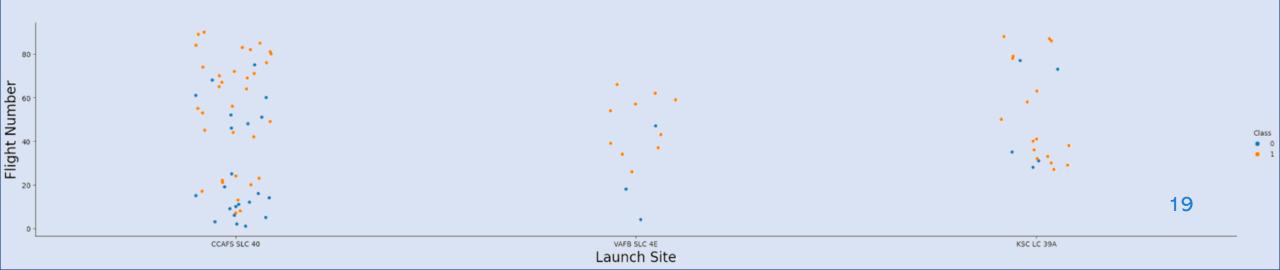
Results





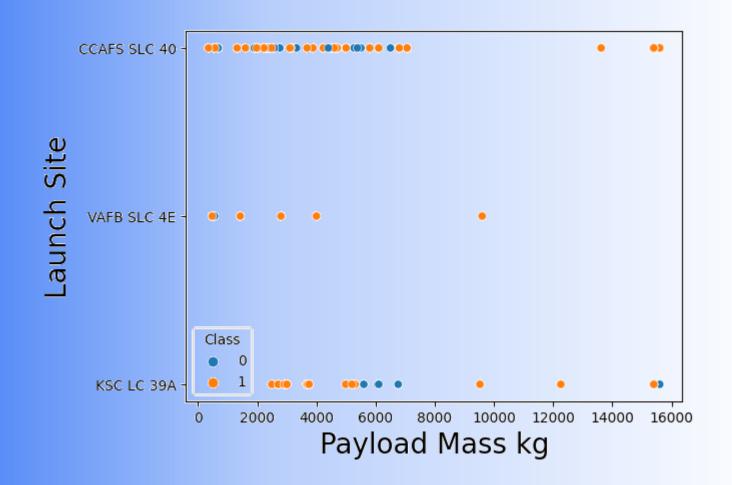
Flight Number vs. Launch Site

- This plot shows that the most of the rockets have been launched in CCAFS
- The recent rocket launches tend to be successful



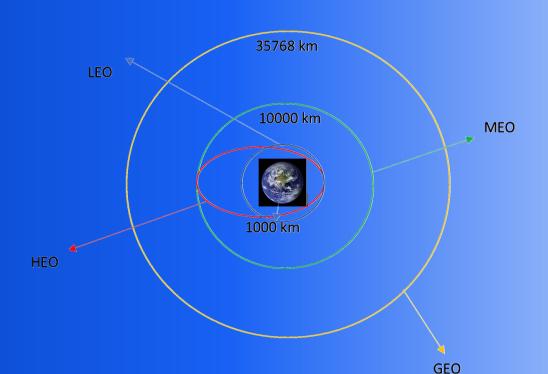
Payload vs. Launch Site

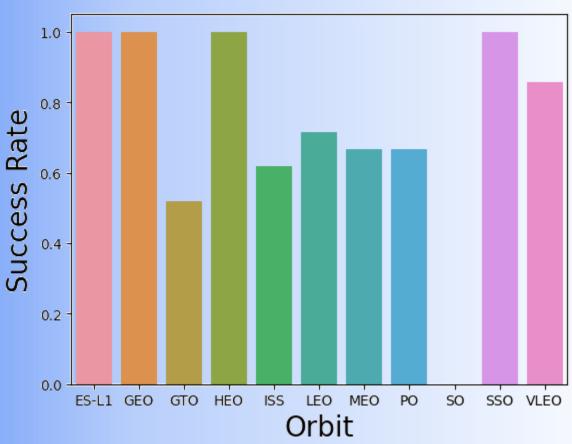
- This plot besides shows:
 - The most of rockets payload mass are under 8 000 kg
 - Besides the most of the heaviest ones have been successful



Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

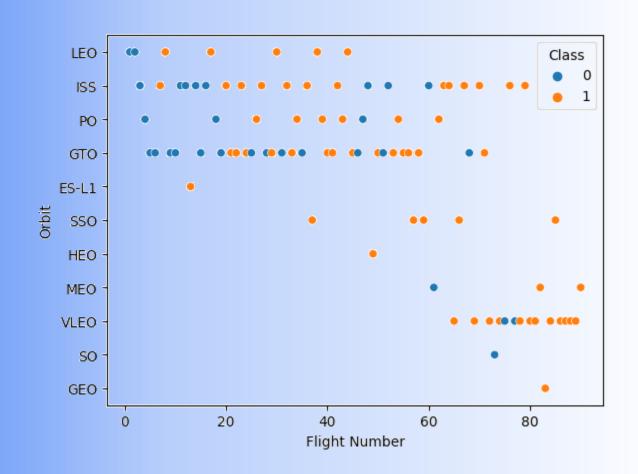
• The chart shows success rate that has been full successful for four orbits, SO has not any success and the rest have values between 50% and 90%





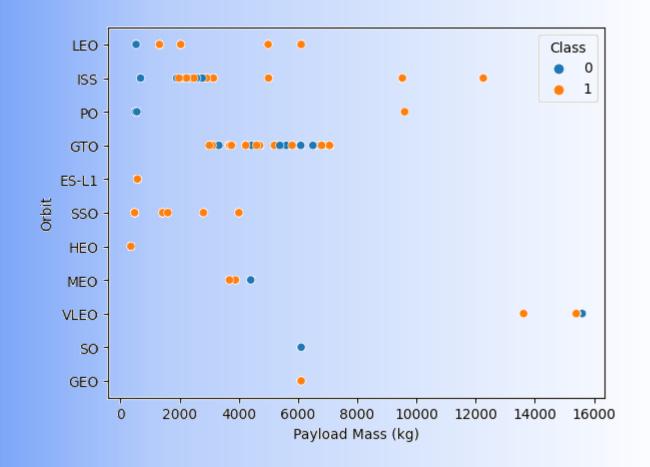
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

- The scatter plot of Flight number vs. Orbit type shows the evolution, the first ones were unsuccessful and the most of the last ones have been successful.
- There are some orbits with full successful rate but with little launches.



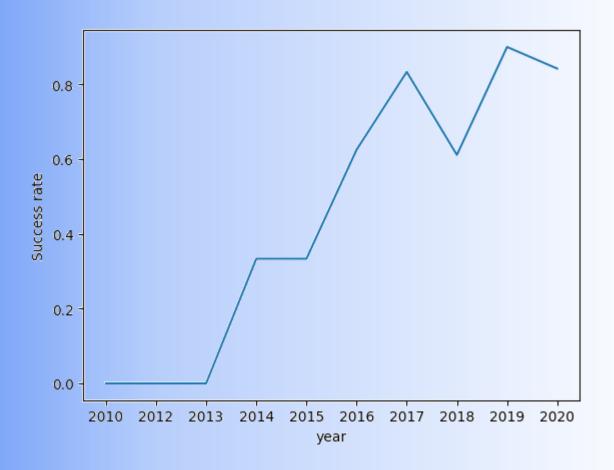
Payload vs. Orbit Type

- Scatter plot of payload vs.
 orbit type shows that each
 orbit seems to have a range
 payload mass.
- ISS has a range and some outliers.



Launch Success Yearly Trend

• The line chart of the yearly average success rate shows an upward trend over time.



All Launch Site Names

There are only four lanch sites:

CCAFS LC-40:

Cape Canaveral Launch Complex 40

CCAFS SLC-40:

Cape Canaveral Space Launch Complex 40

VAFB SLC-4E:

Vandenberg Space Force Base Space Launch Complex 4E

KSC LC-39^a

Kennedy Space Center Launch Complex 39A (LC-39A)

D ~ %%sql SELECT DISTINCT Launch Site FROM SPACEXTABLE; [10] * sqlite:///my data1.db Done. Launch_Site CCAFS LC-40 VAFB SLC-4E KSC LC-39A CCAFS SLC-40

Really the first two are the same place that change the name:

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

• This query returns 5 records where the launch sites begin with 'CCA'

```
%%sql
SELECT *
FROM SPACEXTABLE
WHERE Launch_Site LIKE 'CCA%'
LIMIT 5;
```

11]

* sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.

Date	Time (UTC)	Booster_Version	Launch_Site	Payload	PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_	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	7:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC-40	Dragon demo flight C2	525	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attempt
2012-10-08	0:35:00	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

• The total payload is 45 596 kg

```
%%sql
    SELECT SUM( PAYLOAD_MASS__KG__)
    FROM SPACEXTABLE
    WHERE Customer LIKE "NASA (CRS)"

[12]
... * sqlite://my_data1.db
    Done.
... SUM( PAYLOAD_MASS__KG__)
    45596
```

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

• Average payload has been 2 534,67 kg

```
%%sql
SELECT AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)
FROM SPACEXTABLE
WHERE Booster_Version LIKE "F9 v1.1%"

[13]
... * sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.
...
AVG(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)
2534.6666666666665
```

First Successful Ground Landing Date

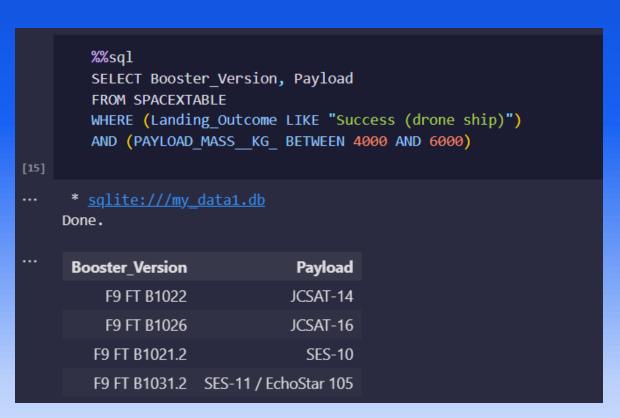
• The first successful landing outcome on ground pad occurred on December 22th, 2015

```
%%sql
SELECT min(Date)
FROM SPACEXTABLE
WHERE Landing_Outcome LIKE "Success (ground pad)"

[14]
... * sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.
... min(Date)
2015-12-22
```

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

• The names of boosters which have successfully landed on drone ship and had payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000 are only four F9 FT B1022, B1026, B1021.2 and B1031.2



Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

 According with this query, the most of the missions have been successful (100/101)

```
%%sql
SELECT
COUNT(CASE WHEN Mission_Outcome LIKE "Success%" THEN 1 END)
    AS Success_count,
COUNT(CASE WHEN Mission_Outcome LIKE "Failure%" THEN 1 END)
    AS Failure_count
FROM SPACEXTABLE;

[16]

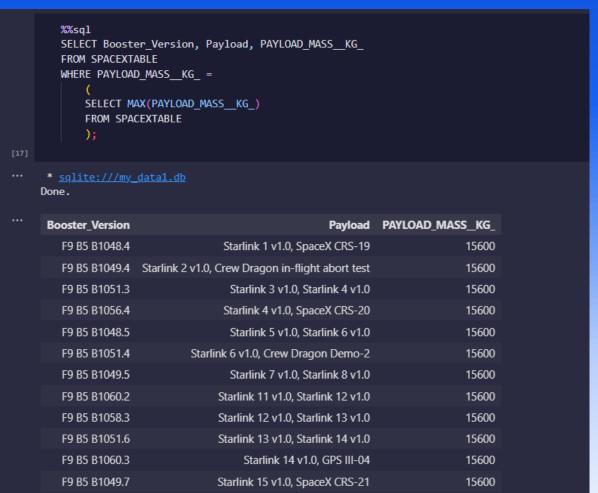
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Done.

** Success_count Failure_count

100 1
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Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

 This query returns the list the names of the booster which have carried the maximum payload mass



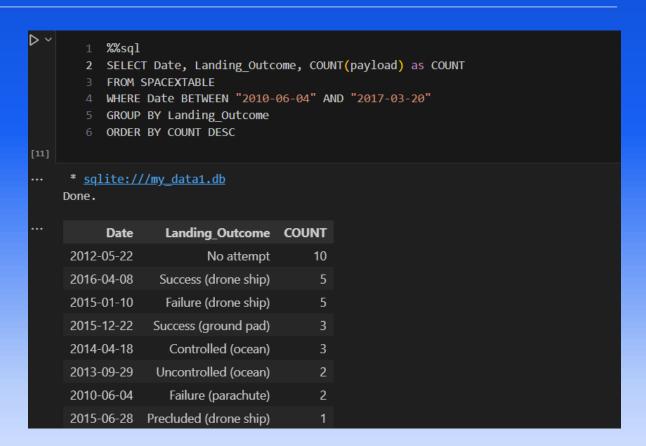
2015 Launch Records

• This query returns the List of the failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015

```
%%sql
   SELECT
       CASE SUBSTR(Date, 6, 2)
           WHEN "01" THEN "January"
           WHEN "02" THEN "February"
           WHEN "03" THEN "March"
           WHEN "04" THEN "April"
           WHEN "05" THEN "May"
           WHEN "06" THEN "June"
           WHEN "07" THEN "July"
           WHEN "08" THEN "August"
           WHEN "09" THEN "September"
           WHEN "10" THEN "October"
           WHEN "11" THEN "November"
           WHEN "12" THEN "December"
       END AS month,
       Booster Version,
       Landing_Outcome,
       Launch_Site
   FROM SPACEXTABLE
   WHERE
       ((Landing Outcome LIKE "Failure (drone ship)")
       AND (SUBSTR(Date, 0, 5) = '2015'))
 * sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.
 month Booster_Version Landing_Outcome Launch_Site
            F9 v1.1 B1012 Failure (drone ship) CCAFS LC-40
            F9 v1.1 B1015 Failure (drone ship) CCAFS LC-40
```

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)) between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20, in descending order





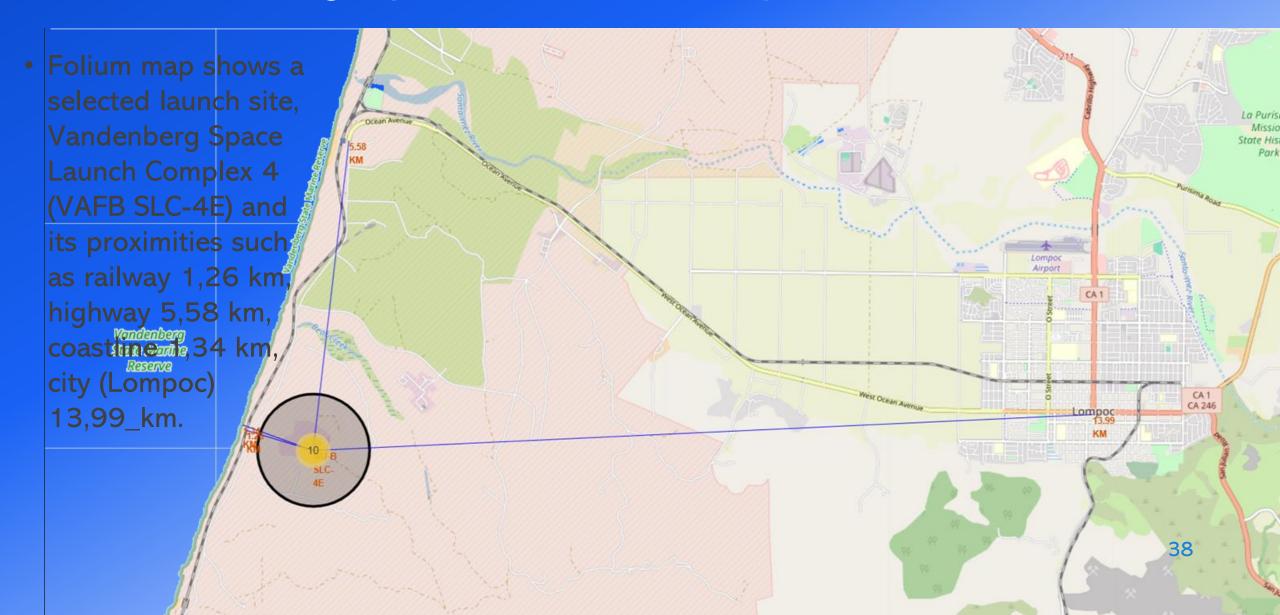
Launch sites location



Color labeled launch outcomes on the map



Vandenberg Space Launch Complex Proximities





Launch success for all sites

SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

All Sites • Launch success for all sites, in a pie chart Total Success Launches By Site KSC LC-39A VAFB SLC-4E CCAFS SLC-40 Launch Site=KSC LC-39A 41.7% class=10 16.7%

Highest launch success

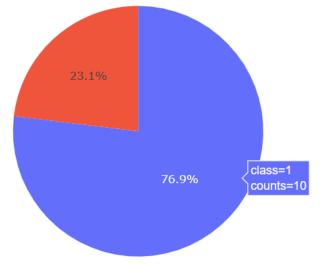
SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

Total Success Launches for site KSC LC-39A

• Piechart for the launch site with highest launch success ratio Kennedy Space

Complex

KSC LC-39A



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Class vs payload mass (2 000 - 7 000) kg

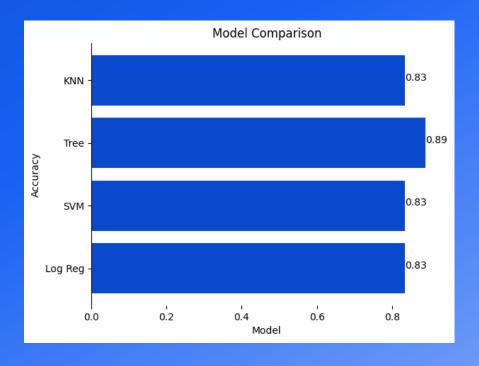
• Screenshot shows Launch Outcome vs Payload mass scatter plot for all sites, with payload between 2 000 kg and 7 000 kg.

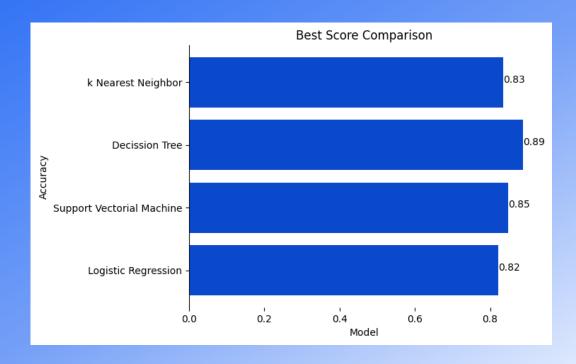




Classification Accuracy

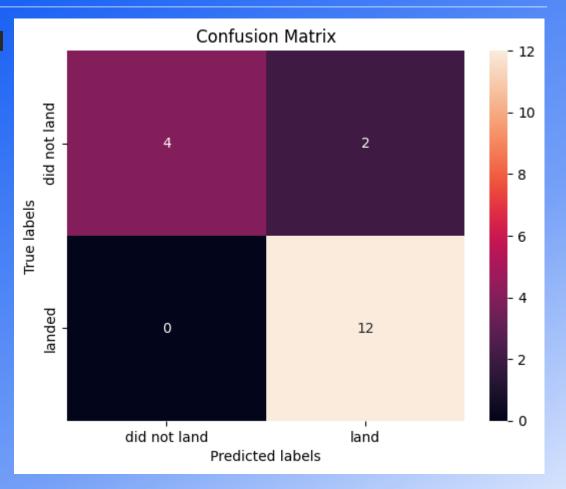
• The models evaluated shows the same accuracy and confusion matrix, except decision tree. Here best scores are compared, that shows that Decision Trees would have the best score.





Confusion Matrix

- This is the confusion matrix of tree decision model shows accuracy as 16/18 = 0.8889
- Precision = 12/14 = 0.857
- Recall = 12/12 = 1
- F1 score = 2*0.857*1 / (1.857) = 0.9231



Conclusions

- The success rate has been raising through the time.
- The decision tree classifier seems to be the best machine learning model for the prediction of success launches.
- Kennedy Space Complex has been the most successful launch site.

Appendix

• All the project can be found here:

https://github.com/pancenu/IBM-DS-CapstoneProject/



