

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

Summary of methodologies:

- Publicly available data has been collected through online resources, namely ,Wikipedia and the SpaceX API.
- The data has been pre-processed before being converted into a Pandas Dataframe for further manipulation.
- Missing data has been replaced by the mean value
- Exploratory data analysis using SQL has been carried out to find out important summaries
- Data Visualisation was used to discover important variables that could determine the landing success of a launch
- These important variables were then used as input to several Machine Learning models: Logistic Regression, k-Nearest Neighbours, Decision Tree and Support Vector Machine
- The models were fit to the training data and a comparison was made between the accuracy on the test data

Summary of all results

 All models used were comparable in their accuracy on the test data. The accuracy in predicting the landing success rate was around 83%

Introduction

Project Background and Context

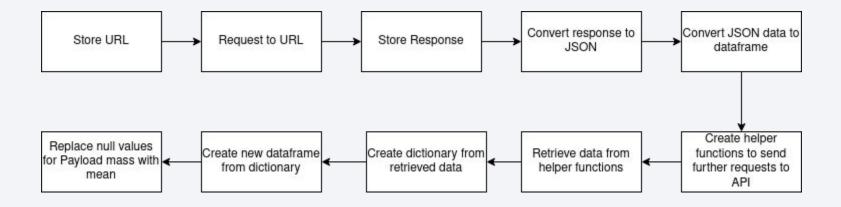
- This project is a comprehensive study of SpaceX's launch data for the Falcon 9 rocket.
- The variable of interest is the landing success rate of the first stage.
- The success of the landing determines the price of a launch

Problems you want to find answers

- The project aims to discover the independent variables that allow a machine learning model to predict the landing outcome
- A comparison has to be made between different model to determine the suitable one for future predictions
- By determining the success rate and, subsequently, the price of the launch, the model will allow for the better management of future launches to maximise success rates.

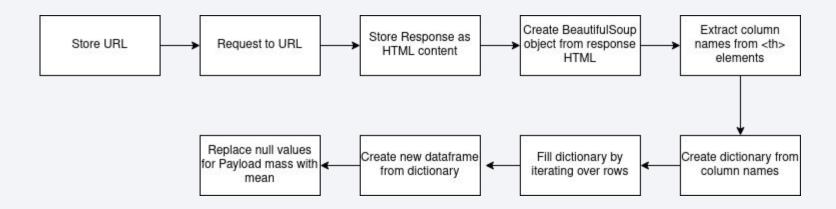


Data Collection - SpaceX API



- GitHub URL of the completed SpaceX API calls:
- https://github.com/pradeepjk28/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/Data%20Collection%20Api%20.ipynb

Data Collection - Scraping



- GitHub URL of the completed web scraping notebook:
 - https://github.com/pradeepjk28/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/Data%20Collection%20with%20Web%20Scraping.ipynb

Data Wrangling

- Irrelevant columns containing ID numbers were either dropped or helper functions were utilised to retrieve information using these ID values.
- The data collected was robust.
- There were only a few missing values for the Payload Mass (kg) column
- These values were replaced by the mean of the Payload Mass (kg) column

EDA with Data Visualization

- The following charts were plotted to discover relationships between variables:
 - Flight Number vs Launch Site with landing result overlayed
 - Payload vs Launch Site with landing result overlayed
 - Success Rate vs Orbit Type
 - Flight Number vs Orbit Type with landing result overlayed
 - Payload vs Orbit Type with landing result overlayed
 - Launch Success Yearly Trend Line Plot
- GitHub URL of completed EDA with data visualization notebook:
 - https://github.com/pradeepjk28/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/EDA%20with%20Visualization.ipynb

EDA with SQL

Data retrieved using SQL:

- Names of all launch sites
- Total payload carried by boosters launched by NASA
- Average payload carried by booster version F9
- Date of first successful landing
- Boosters with success in drone ship and payload mass between 4000 and 6000 kg
- Total number of successful and failed mission outcomes
- Booster versions that have carried the maximum payload mass
- Landing Outcome categories ranked by total for a given time period
- failed landing outcomes in drone ship for the year 2015

GitHub URL of completed EDA with SQLnotebook

https://github.com/pradeepjk28/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/EDA%20with%20SQL.ipynb

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Folium was used to find out some geographical insights about the data
- Launch sites were marked on the map
- The successful and failed launches for each launch site were also marked
- Proximities between launch site and features such as the coast and equator line were found to discover any impact that these may have on the success
- Circles, Markers and MArker Clusters were used for the tasks
- GitHub URL of completed interactive map with Folium map:
 - https://github.com/pradeepjk28/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/Interactive%20Visual%20Analytics%20with%20Folium-checkpoint.ipynb

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- The following plots/graphs were added to the interactive dashboard
 - Pie chart showing success rate for each site
 - Pie chart showing Success and Failure show for a specific site
 - Payload vs Launch Outcome scatter plot for all sites
- GitHub URL completed Plotly Dash lab:
 - https://github.com/pradeepjk28/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/Data%20wrangling%20.ipynb

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

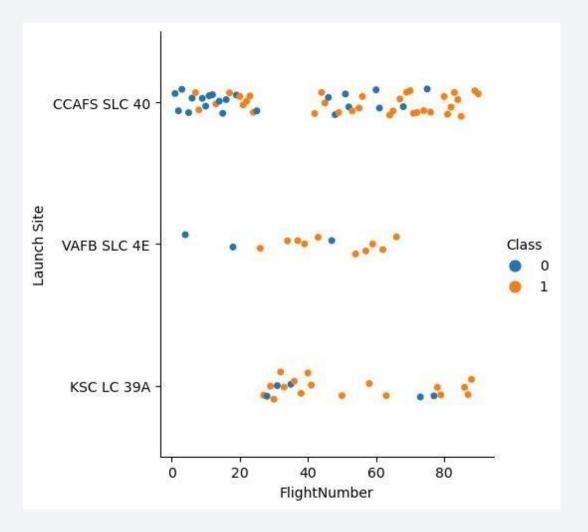
- The following methodology was used in predictive analysis:
 - Separate Independent variables from Dependent Variable (Class)
 - Split into training and testing data
 - define parameters dictionary
 - Initialise each model, create GridSearchCV object to run the model using all specified parameters
 - find the best parameters
 - Calculate accuracy of prediction on test data
- GitHub URL of completed predictive analysis lab:
 - https://github.com/pradeepjk28/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone/blob/main/Machine%20Learning%20Prediction-checkpoint.ipynb



Flight Number vs. Launch Site

 Scatter plot of Flight Number vs. Launch Site

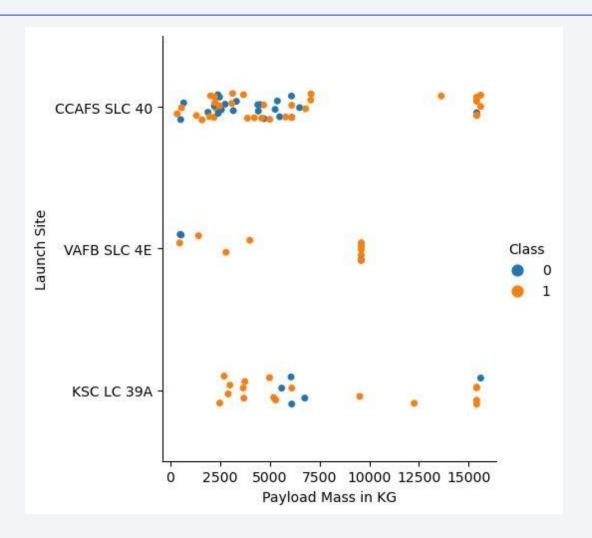
Outcome is overlayed



Payload vs. Launch Site

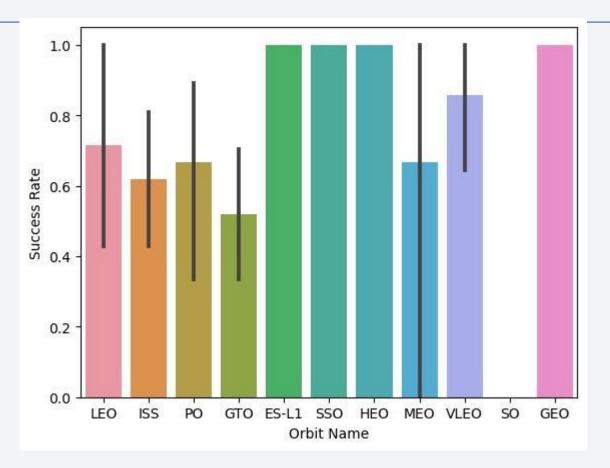
Scatter plot of Payload vs.
 Launch Site

Outcome is overlayed



Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

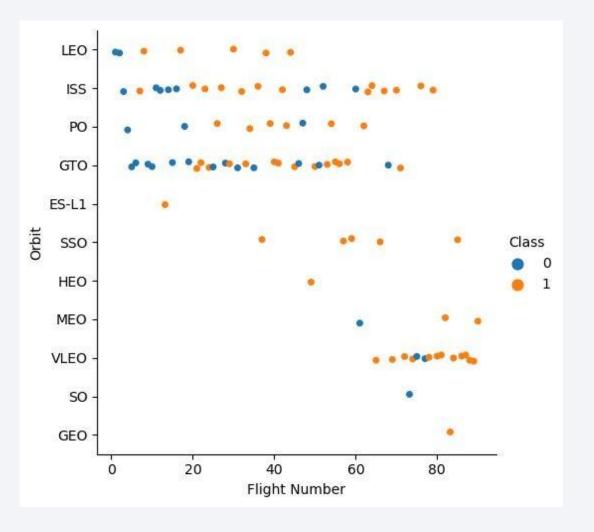
 Bar chart for the success rate of each orbit type



Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

 Scatter point of Flight number vs. Orbit type

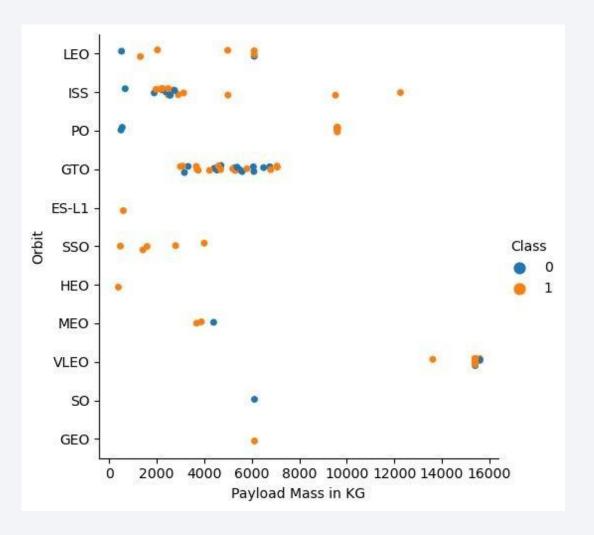
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Payload vs. Orbit Type

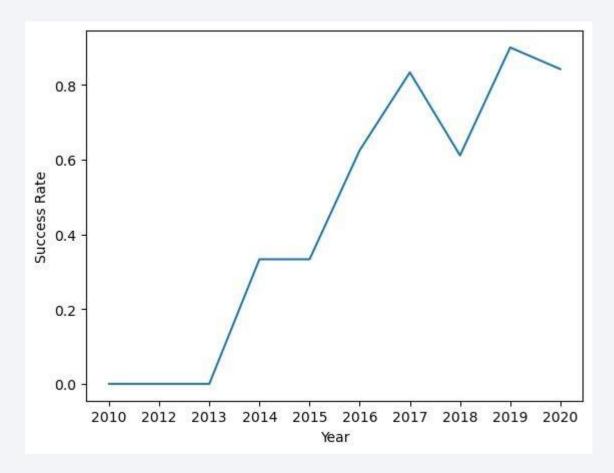
 Scatter point of payload vs. orbit type

Outcome is overlayed



Launch Success Yearly Trend

 Line chart of yearly average success rate



All Launch Site Names

• Find the names of the unique launch sites

Task 1

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

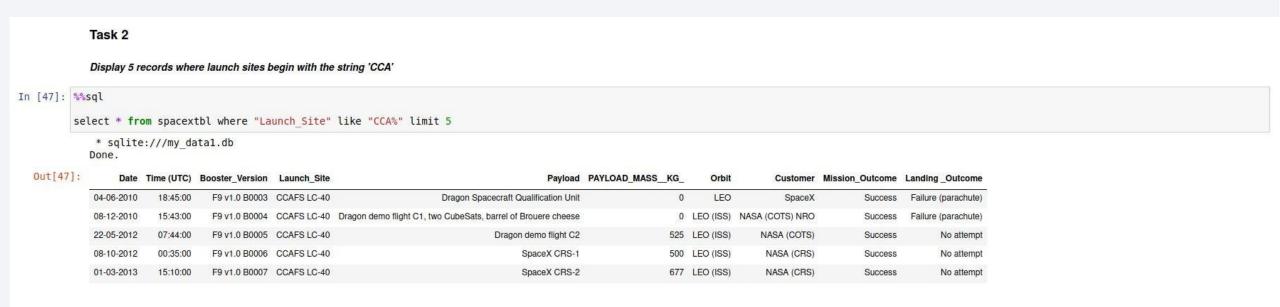
```
In [8]: %sql
select distinct "Launch_Site" from spacextbl

* sqlite://my_datal.db
Done.

Out[8]: Launch_Site
CCAFS LC-40
VAFB SLC-4E
KSC LC-39A
CCAFS SLC-40
```

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

Find 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`



Total Payload Mass

Calculate the total payload carried by boosters from NASA

Task 3

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

```
In [43]: %sql
select sum("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_") from spacextbl where "Customer" like "%NASA%"

* sqlite://my_datal.db
Done.

Out[43]: sum("PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_")

107010
```

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

Calculate the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

Task 4

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

```
In [45]: %sql select avg ("PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_") from spacextbl where "Booster_Version" like "F9%"

* sqlite:///my_datal.db
Done.

Out[45]: avg ("PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_")

6138.287128712871
```

First Successful Ground Landing Date

Task 5

List the date when the first succesful landing outcome in ground pad was acheived.

Hint:Use min function

```
In [75]: %*sql
select "Date" from spacextbl where "Landing _Outcome" == "Success (ground pad)"

* sqlite:///my_datal.db
Done.

Out[75]: Date

22-12-2015

18-07-2016

19-02-2017

01-05-2017

03-06-2017

14-08-2017

07-09-2017

15-12-2017

08-01-2018
```

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

List the names of boosters which have successfully landed on drone ship

Task 6

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

Calculate the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

Task 7

List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes



Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

 List the names of the booster which have carried the maximum payload mass

Task 8

F9 B5 B1049.7

15600

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

```
In [72]: %%sql
          select distinct "Booster Version", "PAYLOAD MASS KG " from spacextbl where "PAYLOAD MASS KG " == (select max("PAYLOAD MASS KG ") from spacextbl)
               * sqlite:///my_datal.db
             Done.
              Booster_Version PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_
                F9 B5 B1048.4
                                          15600
                 F9 B5 B1049.4
                                          15600
                F9 B5 B1051.3
                                          15600
                F9 B5 B1056.4
                                          15600
                F9 B5 B1048.5
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                F9 B5 B1051.4
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                F9 B5 B1049.5
                                          15600
                F9 B5 B1060.2
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                 F9 B5 B1058.3
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                F9 B5 B1051.6
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                 F9 B5 B1060.3
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```

2015 Launch Records

03-06-2017 14-08-2017 07-09-2017 15-12-2017 08-01-2018

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



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

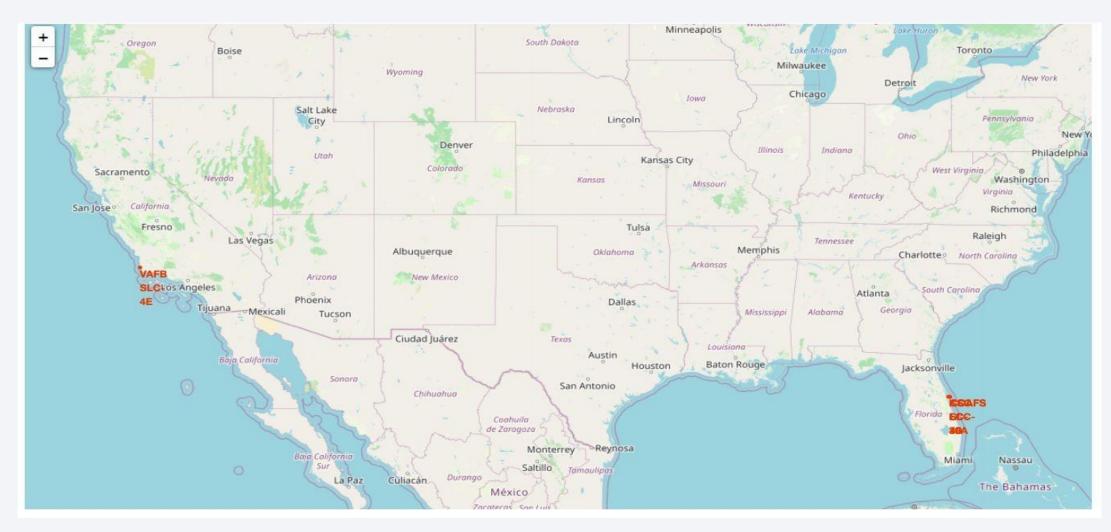
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Task 5 List the date when the first succesful landing outcome in ground pad was acheived. Hint:Use min function In [75]: %%sql select "Date" from spacextbl where "Landing Outcome" == "Success (ground pad)" * sqlite:///my data1.db Done. Out[75]: 22-12-2015 18-07-2016 19-02-2017 01-05-2017 03-06-2017 14-08-2017 07-09-2017 15-12-2017

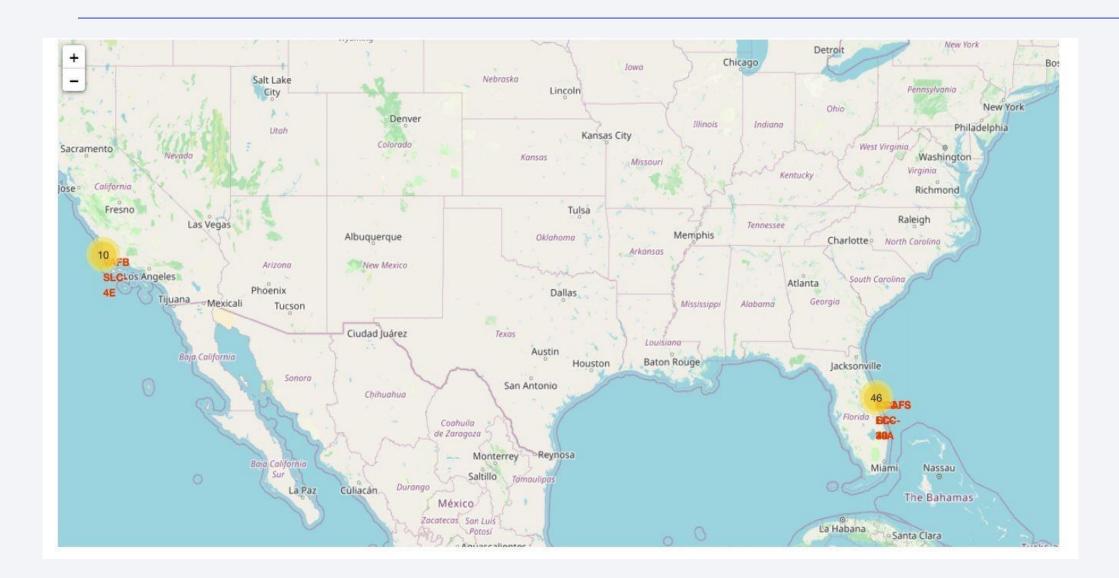
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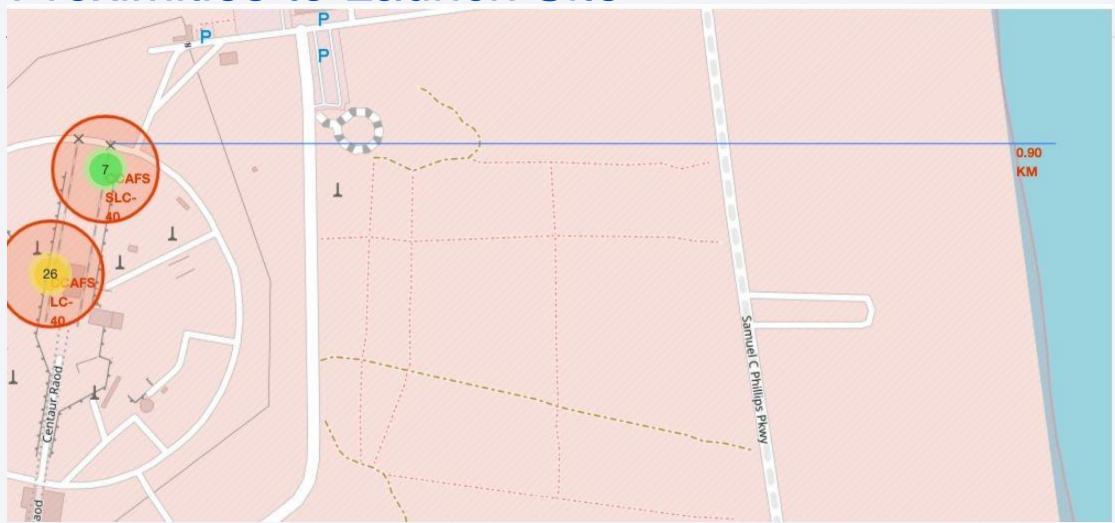
Launch Sites on Map

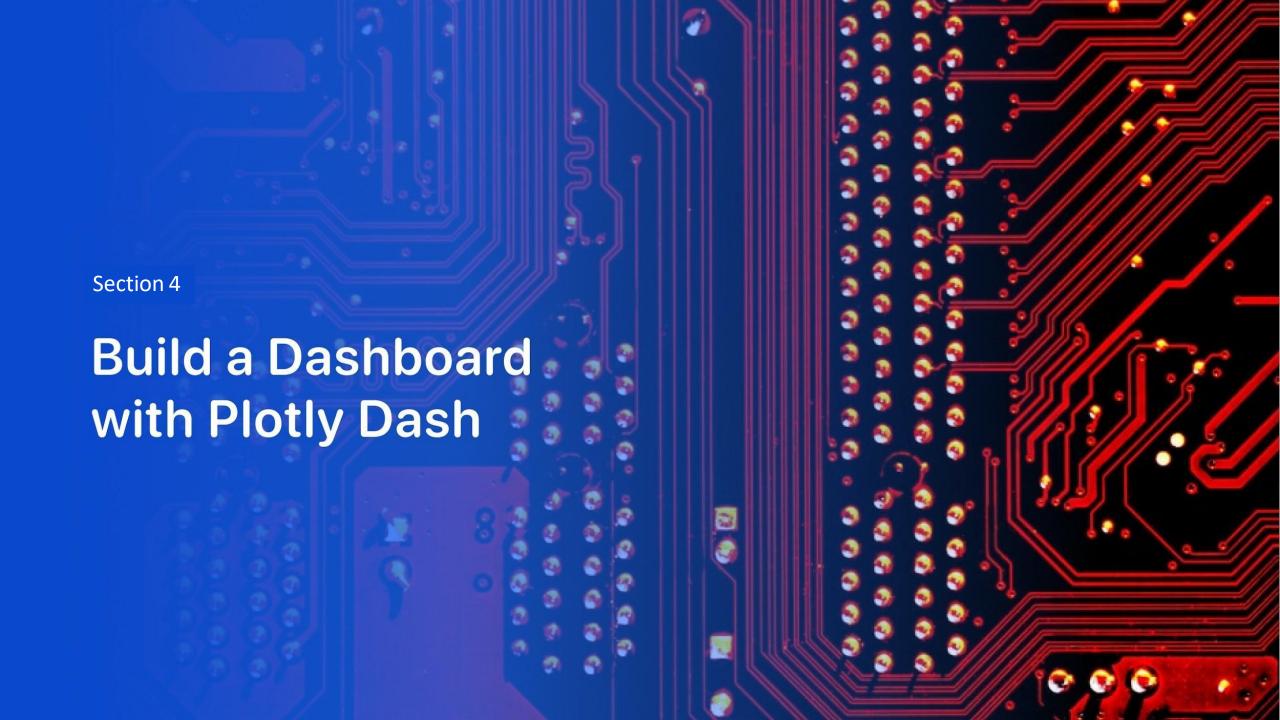


Launch Outcomes



Proximities to Launch Site

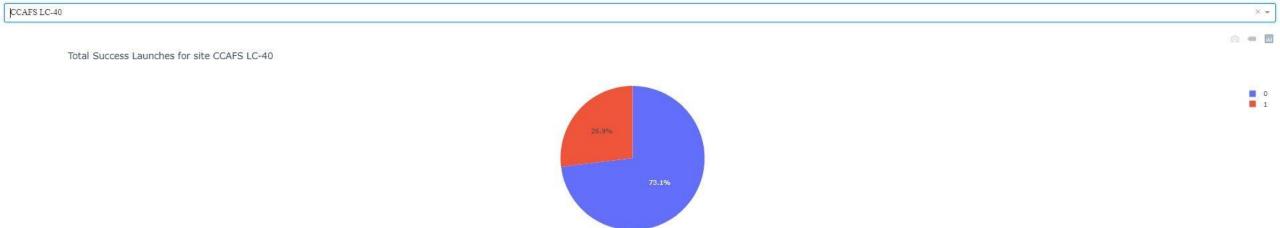




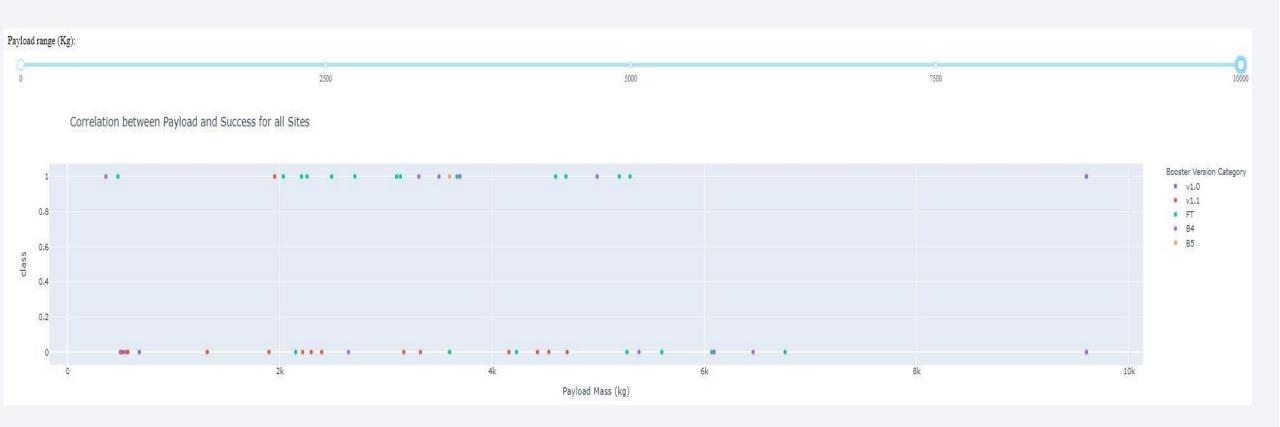
Launch Success - All Sites



Success Ratio for Most Successful Site



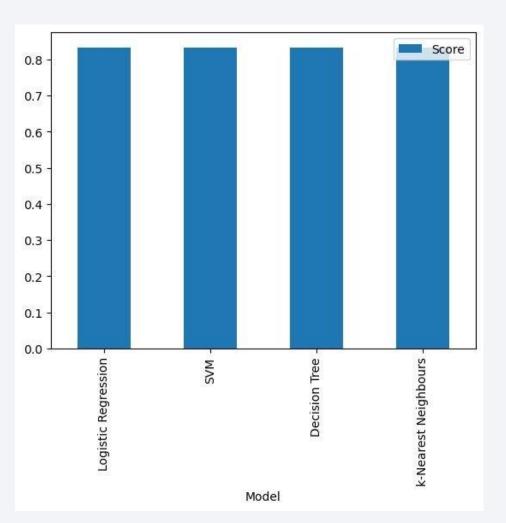
Payload vs Launch Outcome



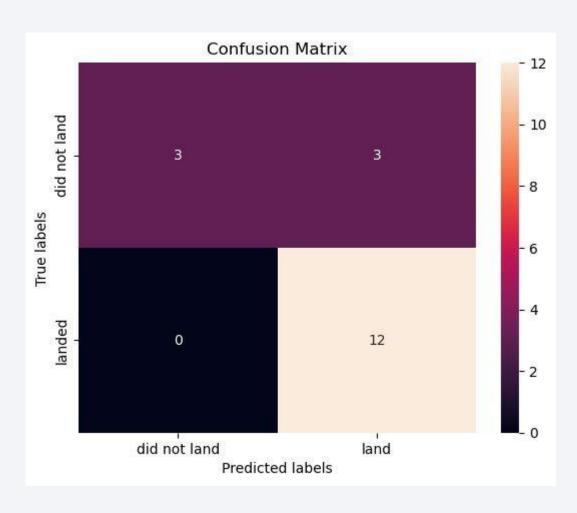


Classification Accuracy

• Built model accuracy for all built classification models, in a bar chart



Confusion Matrix



Conclusions

- The variables that have best allowed us to predict launch outcome are:
 - 'Flight Number'
 - 'PayloadMass'
 - o 'Orbit'
 - 'LaunchSite'
 - o 'Flights'
 - 'GridFins'
 - 'Reused'
 - o 'Legs'
 - 'LandingPad
 - o 'Block'
 - o 'ReusedCount'
 - 'Serial'
- The suitable machine learning method for prediction is classification
- All classification models used on the data had similar accuracy
- With the given data, the accuracy of predicting the landing outcome of a launch is around 83.3%

