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Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

- Summary of methodologies
 - Data Collection supported by SpaceX API and web scraping methods(requests, beautifulsoup etc)
 - Clean the collected data and replace the missing values with suitable values(mean etc)
 - Data Wrangling – Exploratory Data Analysis
 - Data Visualization with Matplotlib and Seaborn libraries
 - Launch Sites Location Analysis using Open Street Map with Folium
 - Build a Plotly Dash application for users to perform interactive visual analytics on SpaceX launch data in real-time
 - Use Machine Learning(SVM, Classification Trees, and Logistic Regression etc) to determine if the first stage of Falcon 9 will land successfully
- Summary of all results
 - Decision Tree classifier has the best prediction accuracy of 94% with only one false positive

Introduction

- Project background and context
 - The aim of this project is to predict if the SpaceX's Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully based on the data collected from previous rocket launches which contains both successful and failed launches
 - 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
 - Can a Machine Learning Model predict the success rate of Falcon 9 first stage launch with high Accuracy?
 - Which ML Model is most suitable for prediction?

Section 1

Methodology

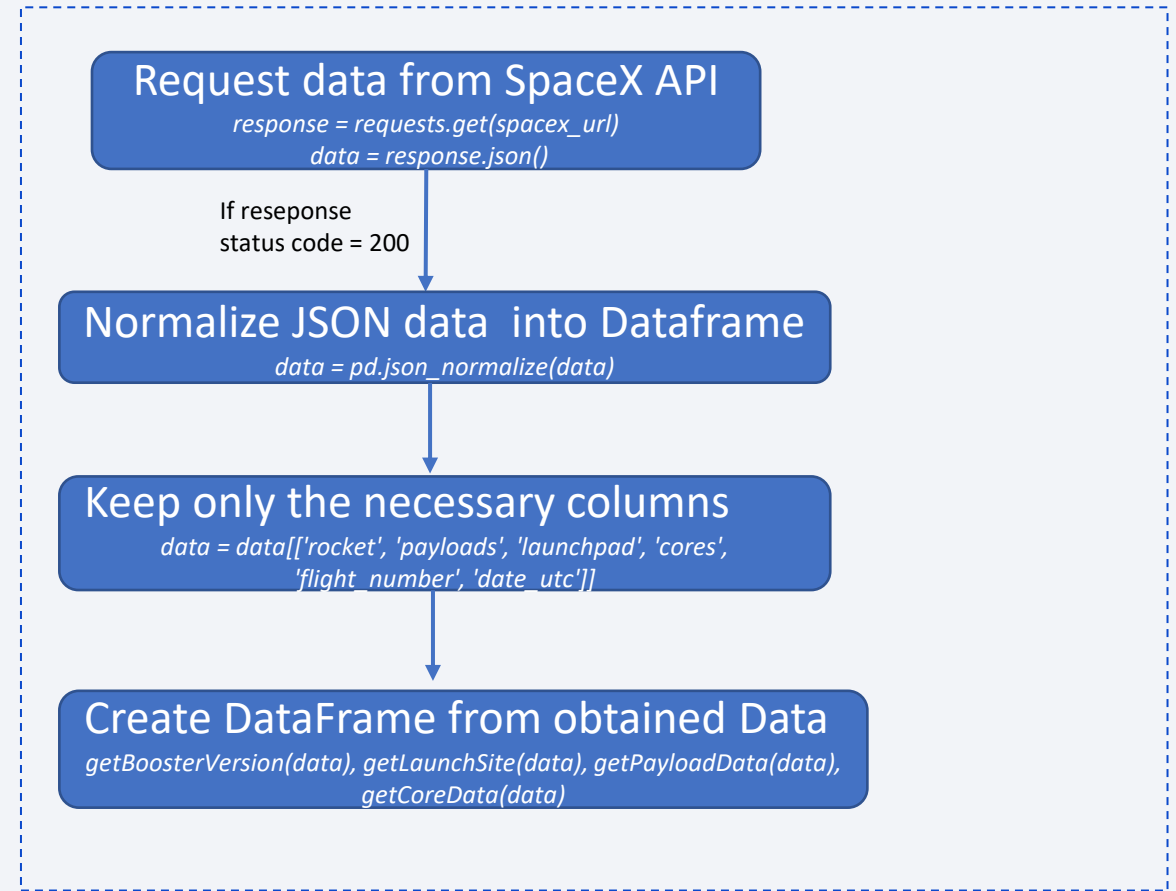
Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Describe how data was collected
- Perform data wrangling
 - Describe how data was processed
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - How to build, tune, evaluate classification models

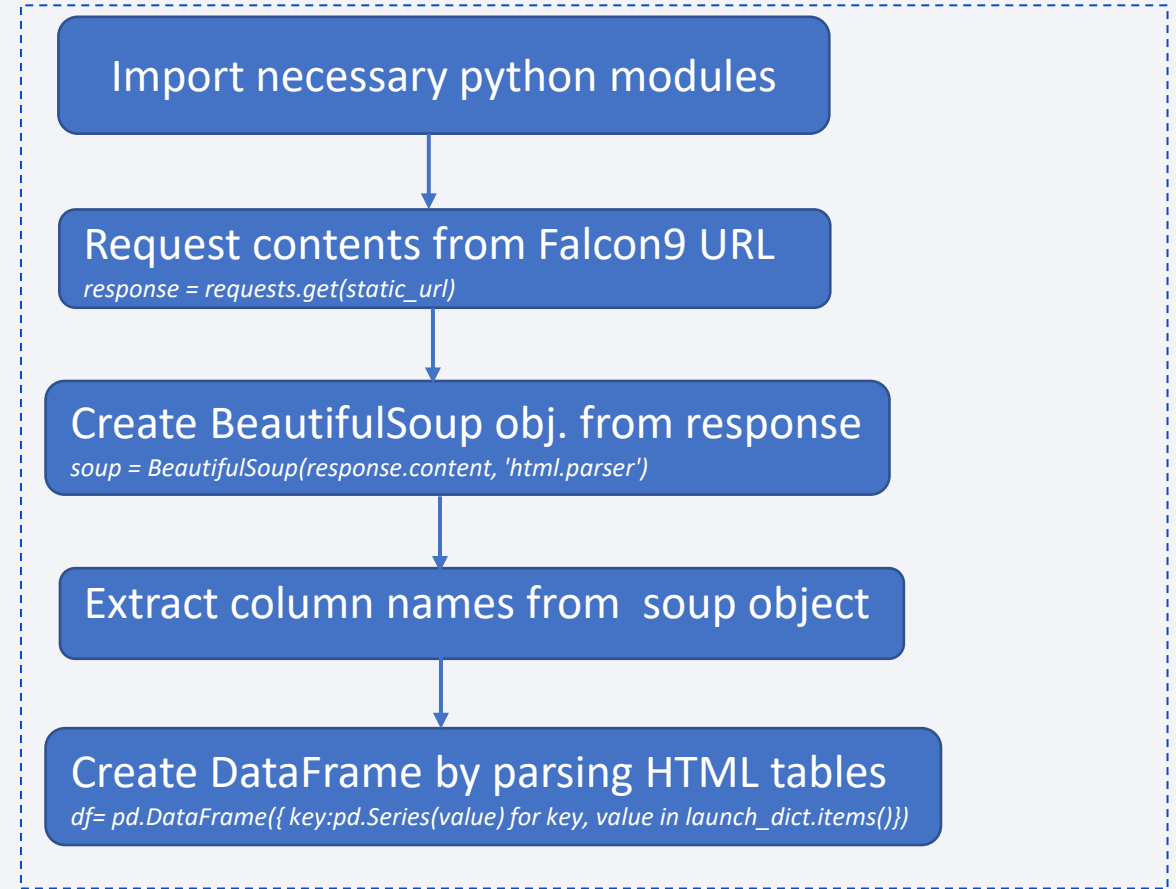
Data Collection – SpaceX API

- Present your data collection with SpaceX REST calls using key phrases and flowcharts
- Add the GitHub URL of the completed SpaceX API calls notebook (must include completed code cell and outcome cell), as an external reference and peer-review purpose



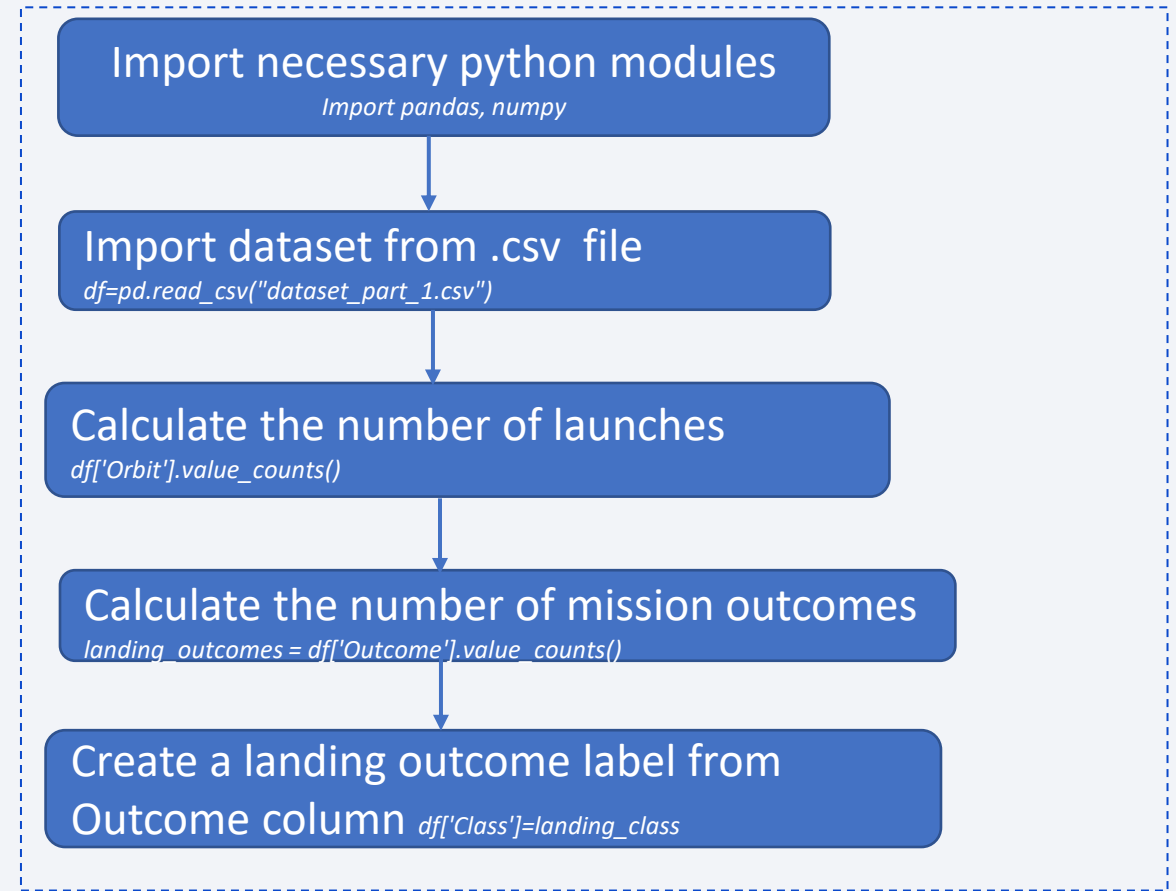
Data Collection - Scraping

- Present your web scraping process using key phrases and flowcharts
- Add the GitHub URL of the completed web scraping notebook, as an external reference and peer-review purpose



Data Wrangling

- Describe how data were processed
- You need to present your data wrangling process using key phrases and flowcharts
- Add the GitHub URL of your completed data wrangling related notebooks, as an external reference and peer-review purpose



EDA with Data Visualization

- Summarize what charts were plotted and why you used those charts
- Add the GitHub URL of your completed EDA with data visualization notebook, as an external reference and peer-review purpose

Charts used for Visualization:

- Scatter plot to visualize the relationship between flight number and launch site
- Scatter plot to visualize the relationship between Payload and Launch Site
- Bar chart to visualize the relationship between success rate of each orbit type
- Scatter plot to visualize the relationship between FlightNumber and Orbit type
- Scatter plot to visualize the relationship between Payload and Orbit type
- Line plot to visualize the launch success yearly trend

EDA with SQL

- Using bullet point format, summarize the SQL queries you performed
- Add the GitHub URL of your completed EDA with SQL notebook, as an external reference and peer-review purpose

SQL Queries:

- *select distinct [Launch_Site] from SPACEXTBL*
- *select top 5 Launch_Site
from SPACEXTBL where Launch_Site like 'CCA%';*
- *select sum(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)
from SPACEXTBL where Customer like 'NASA (CRS)'*
- *select avg(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)
from SPACEXTBL where Booster_Version like 'F9 v1.1'*
- *select min(Date) from SPACEXTBL
where Landing_Outcome like 'Success (ground pad)'*
- *select Booster_Version, PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_, Landing_Outcome
from SPACEXTBL
where (Landing_Outcome like 'Success (drone ship)') and
(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ > 4000 and PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_ < 6000)*
- *select Mission_Outcome, count(Mission_Outcome) from SPACEXTBL
group by mission_outcome*

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

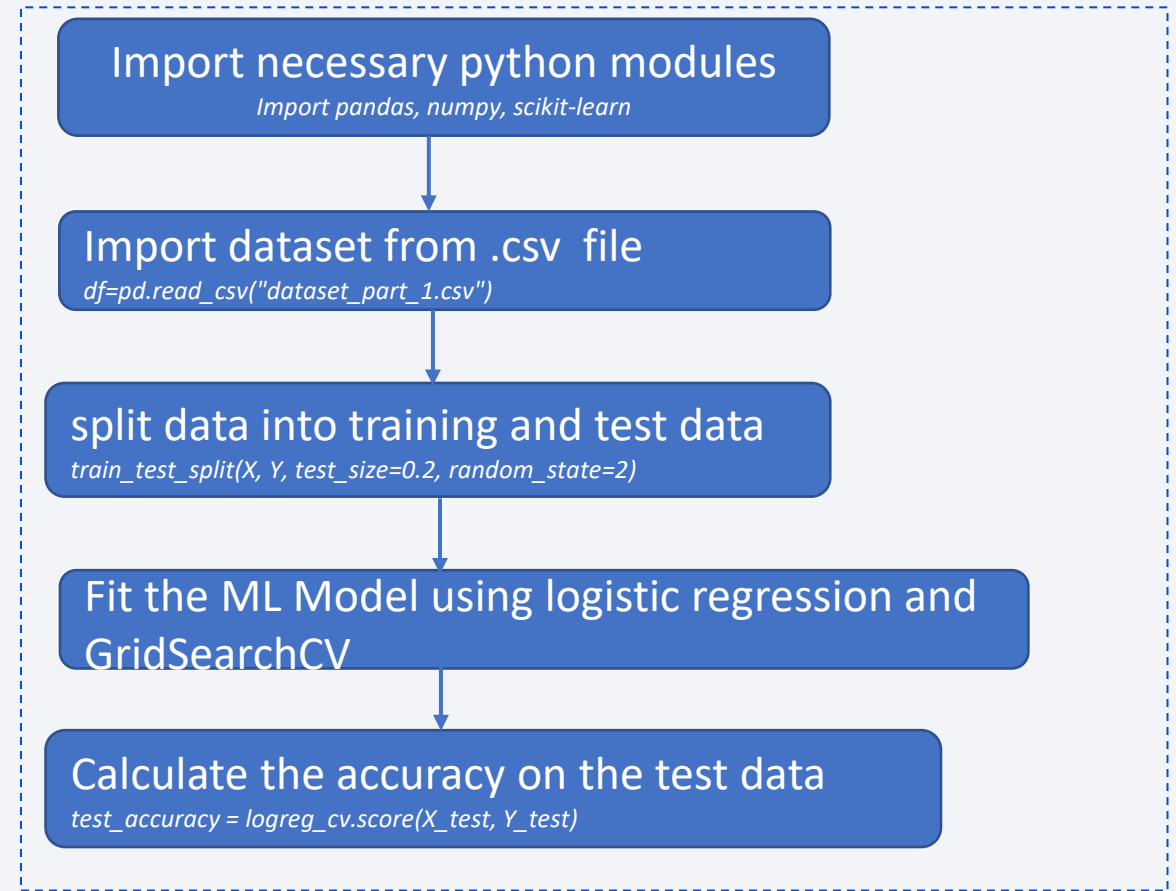
- Summarize what map objects such as markers, circles, lines, etc. you created and added to a folium map
- Explain why you added those objects
 - `folium.Map` – To visualize the geographical location of the launch site on the map
 - `folium.Circle` – To add a highlighted circle area with a text label on a specific coordinate
 - `folium.map.Marker` - To add a marker to a location on the map
 - `folium.PolyLine` - Calculate the distances between a launch site to its proximities
- Add the GitHub URL of your completed interactive map with Folium map, as an external reference and peer-review purpose

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- Summarize what plots/graphs and interactions you have added to a dashboard
- Explain why you added those plots and interactions
 - Pie Chart – to visualize the success rate of each launch site
 - Dropdown list – to select the launch site
 - Range slider - to select payload mass range to be shown on the scatter plot
 - Scatter Plot - to show the correlation between payload mass and launch success
- Add the GitHub URL of your completed Plotly Dash lab, as an external reference and peer-review purpose

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- Summarize how you built, evaluated, improved, and found the best performing classification model
- You need present your model development process using key phrases and flowchart
- Add the GitHub URL of your completed predictive analysis lab, as an external reference and peer-review purpose



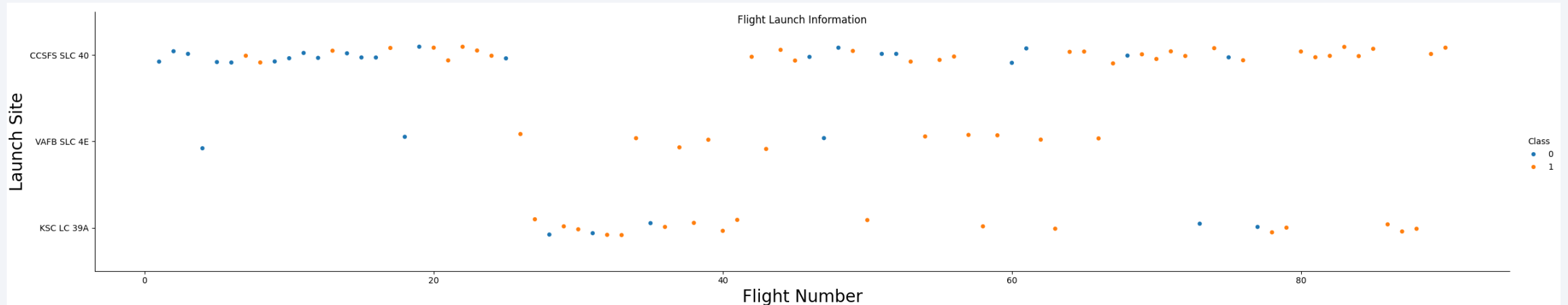


Section 2

Insights drawn from EDA

Flight Number vs. Launch Site

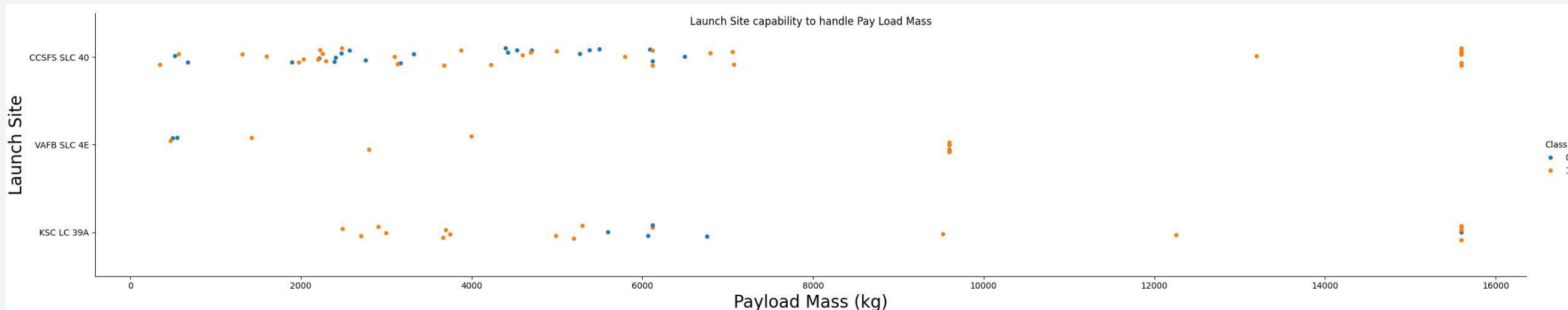
- Show a scatter plot of Flight Number vs. Launch Site



- Show the screenshot of the scatter plot with explanations
 - Around 100% success rate at launch site CCSFS SLC 40 for flight numbers > 80
 - Very few launches from launch site VAFB SLC 4E
 - Lower failure rate at launch site KSC LC-39A for flight numbers > 50

Payload vs. Launch Site

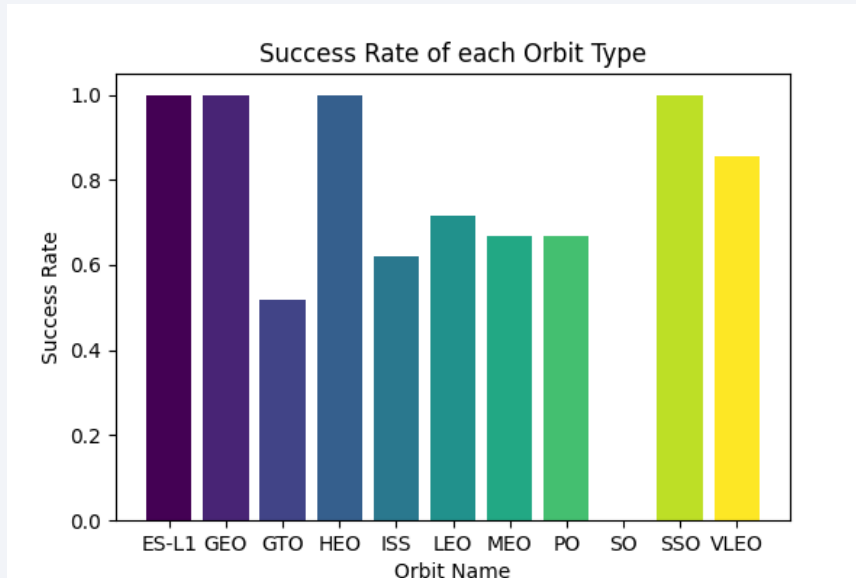
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- Show the screenshot of the scatter plot with explanations
 - No rockets were launched from VAFB SLC-4E with payload mass $> 10000\text{kg}$
 - Almost 100% success rate at CCSFS SLC 40 for launches with payload mass $> 7000\text{kg}$
 - The launch KSC LC-39A has most success rate for launches with payload mass $< 5000\text{kg}$

Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

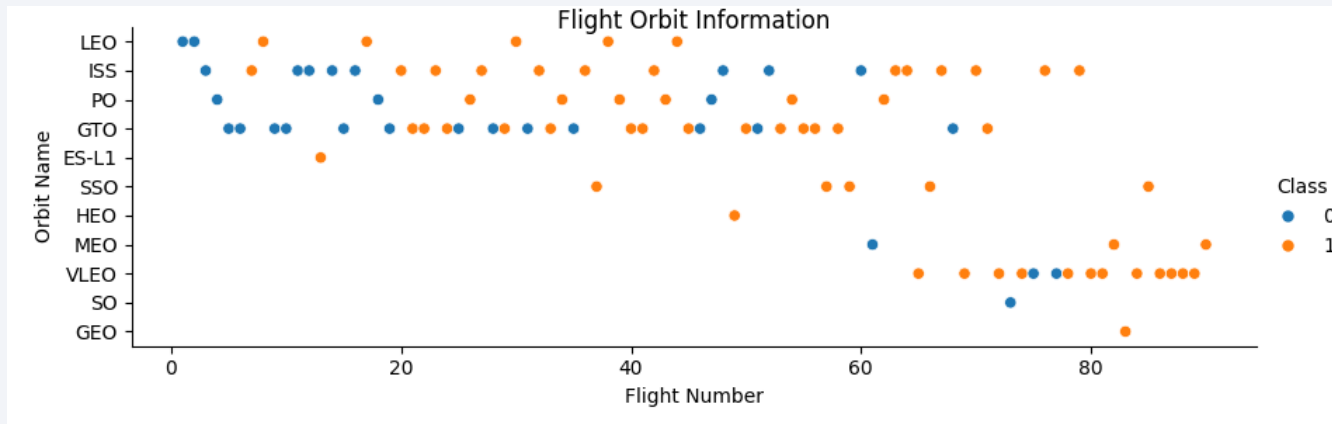
- Show a bar chart for the success rate of each orbit type



- Show the screenshot of the scatter plot with explanations
 - Almost 100% success rate for the launches to the orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO
 - Lowest success rate for the launch to the orbit GTO (around 50% success)

Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

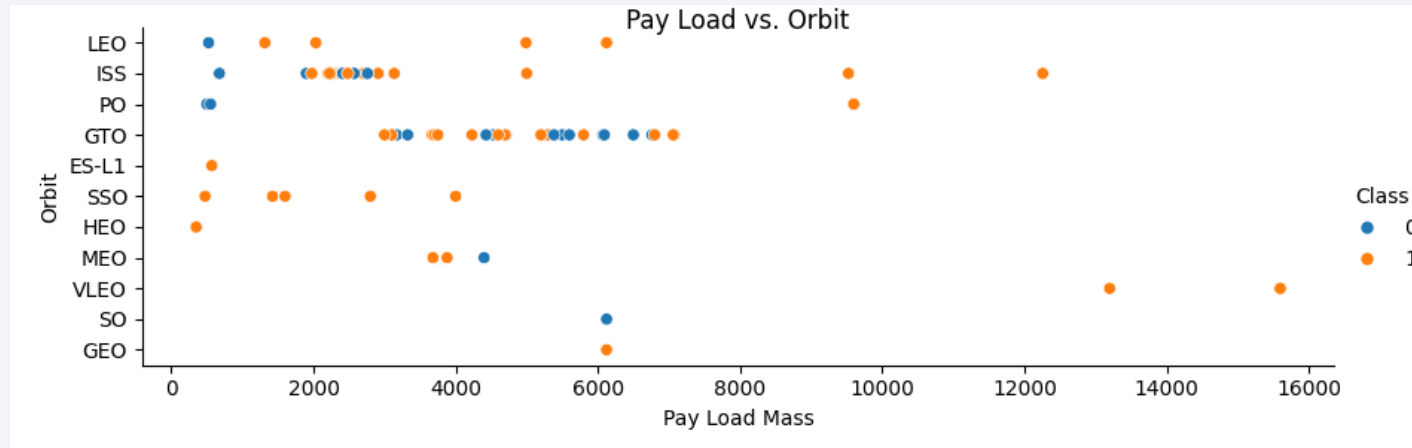
- Show a scatter point of Flight number vs. Orbit type



- Show the screenshot of the scatter plot with explanations
 - Almost 100% success rate for launches after flight number > 80, which is independent of the orbit
 - Very low successful launches below flight number 20
 - The orbit GEO has the lowest number of rocket launches, just 1

Payload vs. Orbit Type

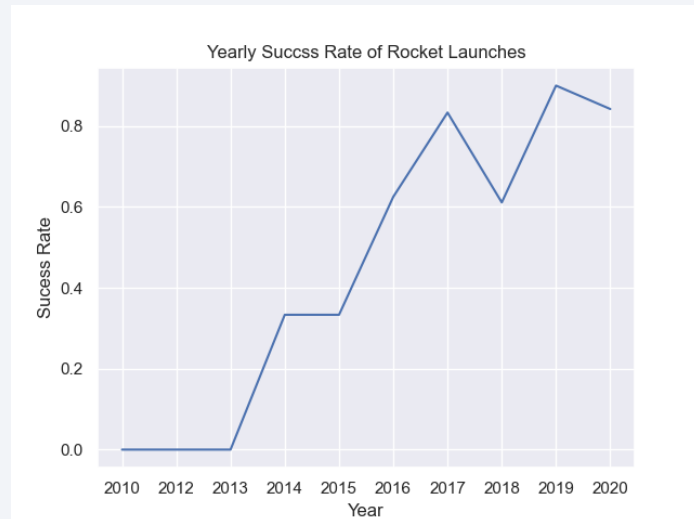
- Show a scatter point of payload vs. orbit type



- Show the screenshot of the scatter plot with explanations
 - The rockets launched to the VLEO orbit have the highest payload mass, and both of the rockets were launched successfully
 - A rocket with very low payload mass(<1000kg) was successfully launched to HEO
 - The maximum payload for the rockets which were launched to the Orbit SSO was 4000kg

Launch Success Yearly Trend

- Show a line chart of yearly average success rate



- Show the screenshot of the scatter plot with explanations
 - The rockets launched by SpaceX until 2013 were failed to reach the designated orbits
 - The ratio of successful launches increasing after 2013
 - Almost 100% successful launch rate in 2019

All Launch Site Names

- Find the names of the unique launch sites
 - CCSFS SLC 40
 - CCAFS LC-40
 - VAFB SLC 4E
 - KSC LC 39A
- Present your query result with a short explanation here
 - *select distinct [Launch_Site] from SPACEXTBL*

This query selects the distinct launch site names from the 'Spacextbl' table

Total Payload Mass

- Calculate the total payload carried by boosters from NASA
 - *select sum(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) from SPACEXTBL where Customer like 'NASA (CRS)'*
- Present your query result with a short explanation here
 - Query Result: 45596 kg
 - The query sum up the payload mass from the Spacextbl where the rocket belongs to NASA

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

- Find 5 records where launch sites begin with 'CCA'
- CCAFS LC-40
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- Present your query result with a short explanation here
 - *select top 5 [Launch_Site] from SPACEXTBL where [Launch_Site] like 'CCA%';*
 - The script selects the top 5 launch sites which begins with CCA from the table 'Spacextbl'

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

- Calculate the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
 - 2928kg
- Present your query result with a short explanation here
 - *select avg([PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_]) from SPACEXTBL where [Booster_Version] like 'F9 v1.1';*
 - The average payload mass for the booster version F9 V1.1 shall be calculated with the avg() function

First Successful Ground Landing Date

- Find the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad
 - 2015-12-22
- Present your query result with a short explanation here
 - `select min(Date) from SPACEXTBL where [Landing_Outcome] like 'Success (ground pad)'`
 - The first successful landing outcome of rocket launched from ground pad shall be found by using `min(Date)` function, where Date is the launching dates of all launches in the %Y-%M-%D format

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

- List the names of boosters which have successfully landed on drone ship and had payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000

| Booster_Version | PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_ | Landing_Outcome |
|-----------------|------------------|----------------------|
| F9 FT B1022 | 4696 | Success (drone ship) |
| F9 FT B1026 | 4600 | Success (drone ship) |
| F9 FT B1021.2 | 5300 | Success (drone ship) |
| F9 FT B1031.2 | 5200 | Success (drone ship) |

- Present your query result with a short explanation here
 - `select [Booster_Version], [PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_], [Landing_Outcome] from SPACEXTBL where ([Landing_Outcome] like 'Success (drone ship)') and ([PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_] > 4000 and [PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_] < 6000)`

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

- Calculate the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

| Mission_Outcome | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Failure (in flight) | 1 |
| Success | 99 |
| Success (payload status unclear) | 1 |

- Present your query result with a short explanation here
 - `select [Mission_Outcome], count([Mission_Outcome]) from SPACEXTBL group by [mission_outcome]`
 - The Mission outcome is very successful with 99% success rate

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

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

| 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 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1051.4 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1049.5 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1060.2 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1058.3 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1051.6 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1060.3 | 15600 |
| F9 B5 B1049.7 | 15600 |

- Present your query result with a short explanation here
 - `select [Booster_Version], [PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_] from SPACEXTBL where [PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_] = (select max([PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_]) from SPACEXTBL)`

2015 Launch Records

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

| | Booster_Version | Launch_Site | Landing_Outcome |
|---------|-----------------|-------------|----------------------|
| January | F9 v1.1 B1012 | CCAFS LC-40 | Failure (drone ship) |
| April | F9 v1.1 B1015 | CCAFS LC-40 | Failure (drone ship) |

- Present your query result with a short explanation here
 - `select datename(m, Date), Booster_Version, Launch_Site, Landing_Outcome from SPACEXTBL where YEAR(Date) = 2015 and (Landing_Outcome like 'Failure (drone ship)')`
 - The date, booster version, launch site name and landing outcome for the year 2015 shall be extracted by fulfilling 2 conditions such as Date and String which contains 'Failure (drone ship)'

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

| Landing_Outcome | |
|------------------------|----|
| No attempt | 10 |
| Failure (drone ship) | 5 |
| Success (drone ship) | 5 |
| Success (ground pad) | 3 |
| Controlled (ocean) | 3 |
| Uncontrolled (ocean) | 2 |
| Failure (parachute) | 2 |
| Precluded (drone ship) | 1 |

- Present your query result with a short explanation here
 - `select Landing_Outcome, count(Landing_Outcome) from SPACEXTBL
where Date between '2010-06-04' and '2017-03-20'
group by Landing_Outcome
order by count(Landing_Outcome) desc`

A satellite view of Earth from space, showing the curvature of the planet and city lights at night. The background is a deep blue gradient.

Section 3

Launch Sites Proximities Analysis

Launch Sites Location Analysis with Folium

- Explore the generated folium map and make a proper screenshot to include all launch sites' location markers on a global map

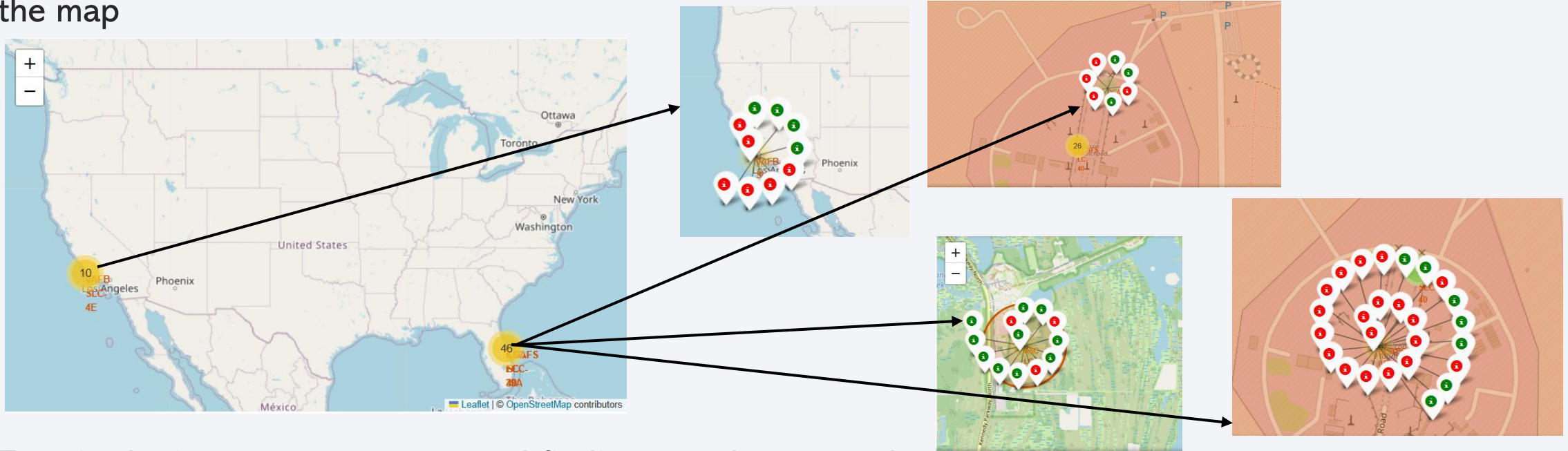
| | Launch Site | Lat | Long |
|---|--------------|-----------|-------------|
| 0 | CCAFS LC-40 | 28.562302 | -80.577356 |
| 1 | CCAFS SLC-40 | 28.563197 | -80.576820 |
| 2 | KSC LC-39A | 28.573255 | -80.646895 |
| 3 | VAFB SLC-4E | 34.632834 | -120.610745 |



- Explain the important elements and findings on the screenshot
 - The launch sites identified on the folium map with following to objects folium.Circle and folium.map.Marker
 - Three launch sites are in Florida and one launch site is located in California

Launch Outcome

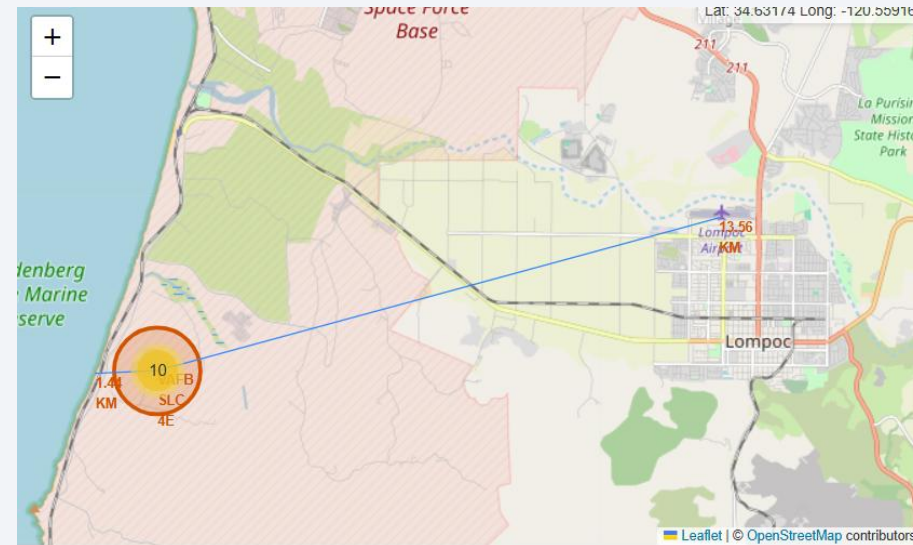
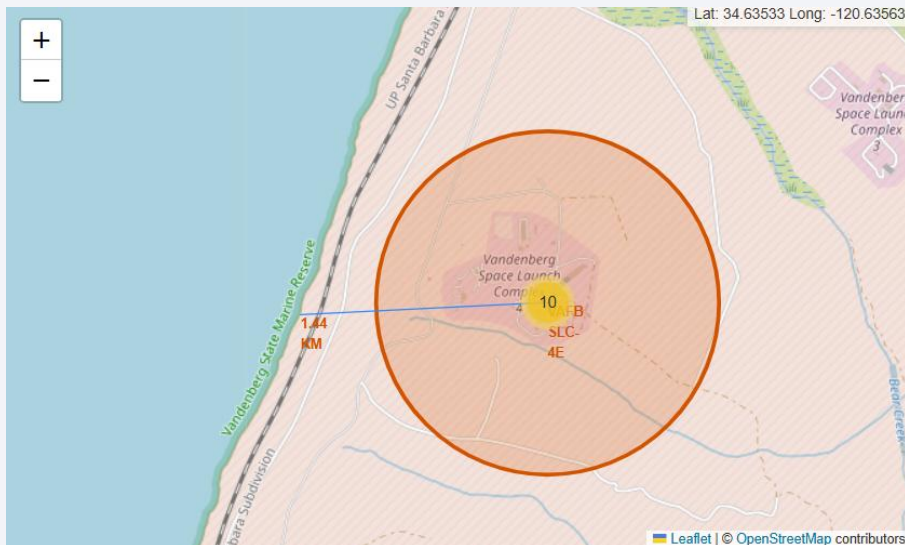
- Explore the folium map and make a proper screenshot to show the color-labeled launch outcomes on the map



- Explain the important elements and findings on the screenshot
 - The launch sites identified on the folium map with `folium.Circle` and `folium.map.Marker`
 - Launch outcome such as success(green) or failure(red) marked on the map with folium Icon object `folium.Icon(color='white', icon_color=record['marker_color'])`

Distances between a launch site and its proximities

- Explore the generated folium map and show the screenshot of a selected launch site to its proximities such as railway, highway, coastline, with distance calculated and displayed



- Explain the important elements and findings on the screenshot
 - The launch site VAFB SLC-4E is located in California with latitude 34.632834 and longitude -120.610745
 - The coastline is 1.4km away to west
 - The nearest airport in Lompoc is around 14km from the launch site in north east direction

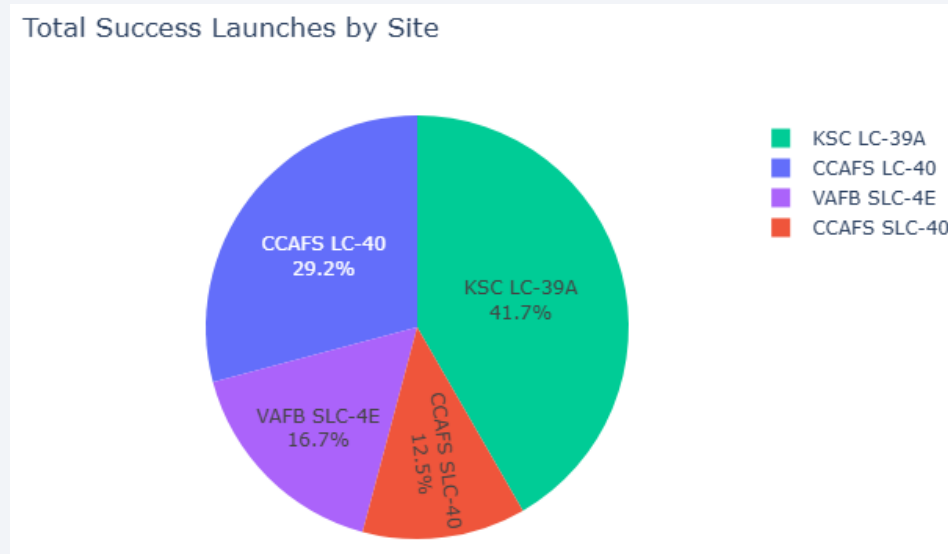


Section 4

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

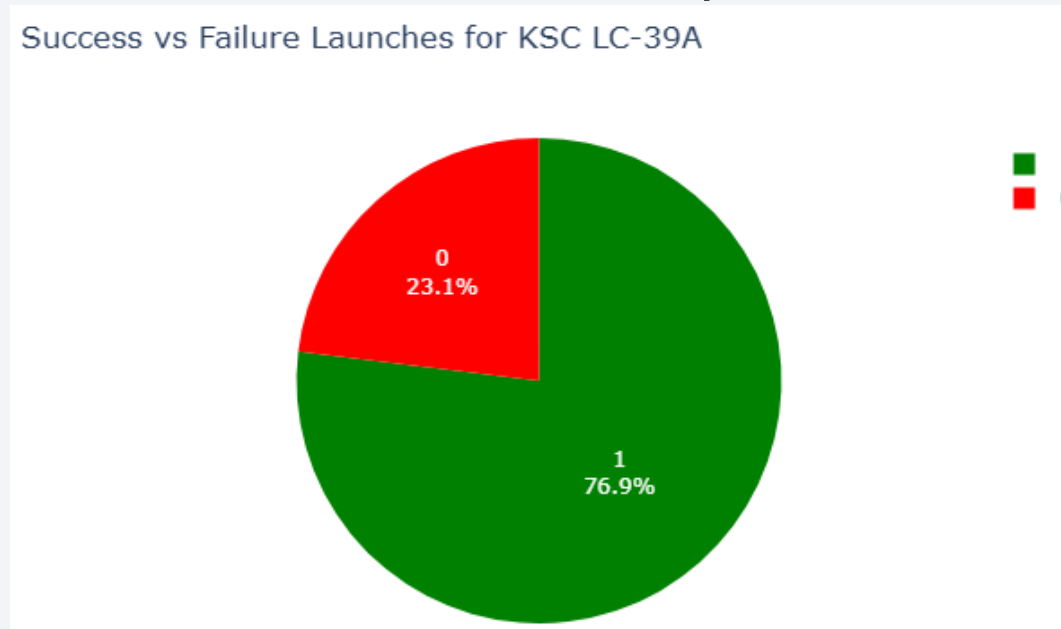
- Show the screenshot of launch success count for all sites, in a piechart



- Explain the important elements and findings on the screenshot
 - The launch site KSC LC-39A has the most successful rocket launches, with a success rate more than 40%
 - Rocket launches from launch site CCAFS SLC-40 are least successful, with only 12.5% success rate

Launch site with highest Launch Success Ratio

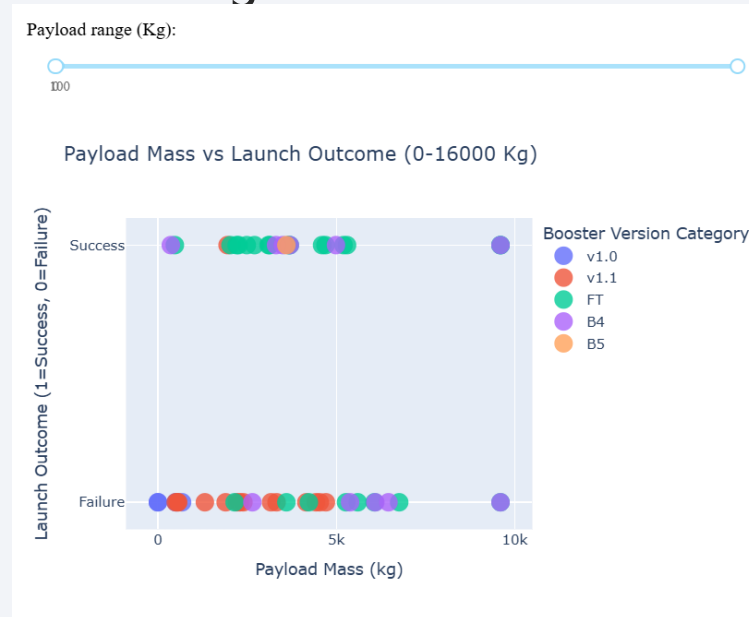
- Show the screenshot of the piechart for the launch site with highest launch success ratio



- Explain the important elements and findings on the screenshot
 - The launch site KSC LC-39A has a launch success ratio of around 77%

Influence of Payload Mass in Launch Outcome

- Show screenshots of Payload vs. Launch Outcome scatter plot for all sites, with different payload selected in the range slider



- Explain the important elements and findings on the screenshot, such as which payload range or booster version have the largest success rate, etc.
 - The Booster Version FT has the highest success rate

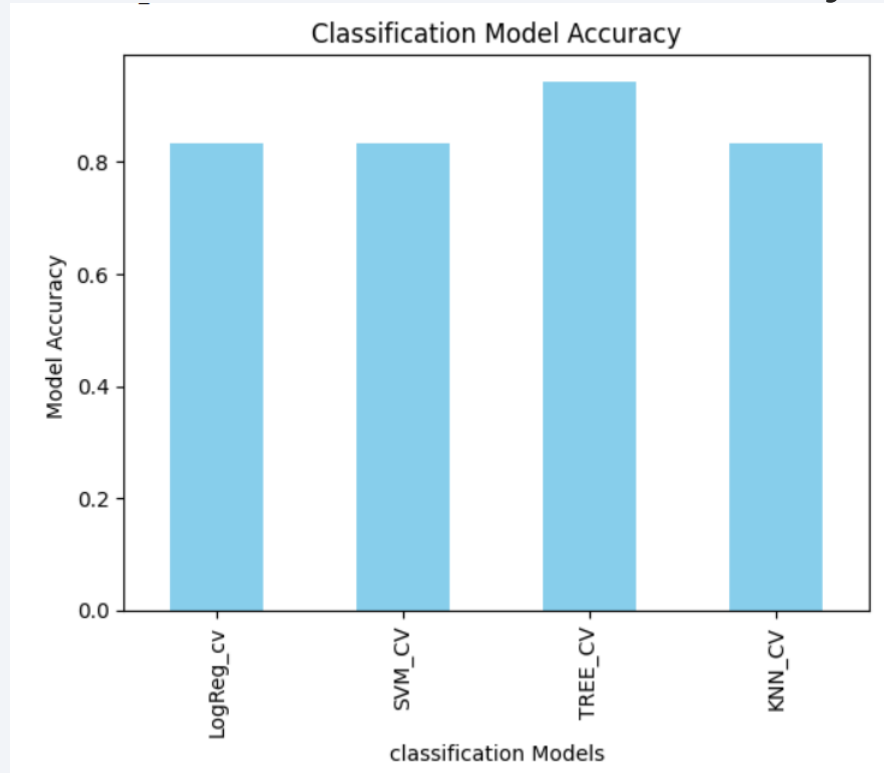


Section 5

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

Classification Accuracy

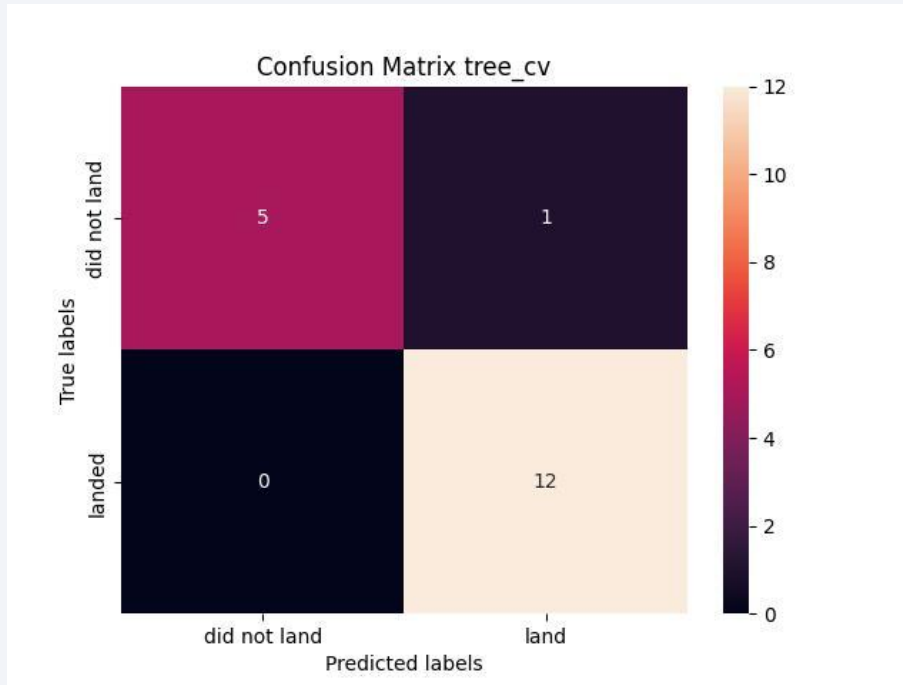
- Visualize the built model accuracy for all built classification models, in a bar chart



- Find which model has the highest classification accuracy
 - Decision Tree Classifier has the highest model accuracy

Confusion Matrix

- Show the confusion matrix of the best performing model with an explanation



- Decision Tree classifier has the best prediction accuracy of 94% with only one false positive

Conclusions

- The necessary data for the Model were collected from SpaceX API and also from Wikipedia
- Good Insights could be gained from the collected data using EDA
 - Around 100% success rate at launch site CCSFS SLC 40 for flight numbers > 80
 - No rockets were launched from VAFB SLC-4E with payload mass $> 10000\text{kg}$
 - Almost 100% success rate for the launches to the orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO
- The rockets were launched from four unique sites, which could be visualized using Folium
- Success rate of each launch site could be visualized in Dash boards with the help of Dropdown lists and Pie Charts
- The success rate of each rocket launch could be predicted with linear regression models
 - Decision Tree classifier has the best prediction accuracy of 94% with only one false positive

Appendix

- Include any relevant assets like Python code snippets, SQL queries, charts, Notebook outputs, or data sets that you may have created during this project

Thank you!

