

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

Summary of methodologies

This research acquires the data through web scrapping from wiki. Raw data acquired from wiki was first inspected for its structure and then structuralized through transformation. The structured data was used for machine learning to predict the landing success rate based on flight number, payload mass, orbit, launch site, flights, gridfins, resued, legs, landing pad, block, reuse count, and serial. Model used includes support vector machine, decision tree, logic regression, and KNN. The accuracy of model predictions was compared based on test set.

Executive Summary

- Summary of all results
 - Results as follow. The best accuracy towards test set achieved was 0.875 using decision tree with maximum depth of 6.

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Introduction

Project background and context

Sending things to space is expensive, and reusable rockets is a way to reduce cost. Space X is launching reusable rockets and wants to predict the success rate based on data they acquired. Considered the complex relation between features in the data, machine learning is used to perform these experiments.

Introduction

Problems you want to find answers

Ultimate goal is to predict if the reusable rocket can land successfully after delivering the payload to the orbit.



Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Data was acquired from Wiki using webscrapping through request method and structured with beautifulsoup.
- Perform data wrangling
 - Empty data was replaced with mean, and data was converted to structured dataset
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
 - First standardize features, then use grid search with CV=10 to find best parameters using logic regression, support vector machine, decision tree, and KNN methods.

Data Collection

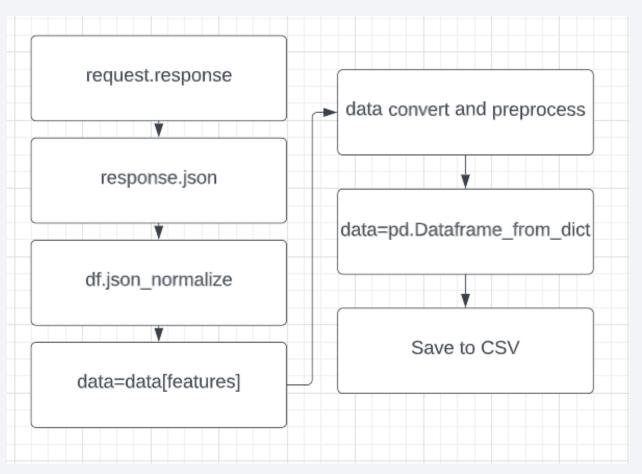
- Data set was acquired from the Wiki using web scrapping.
- First request using response.json to acquire data from 'https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DS0321EN-SkillsNetwork/datasets/API_call_spacex_api.json'
- Then format the json to pandas dataframe using pd.json_normalize()
- Data was then selected based on keywords: 'rocket', 'payloads', 'launchpad', 'cores', 'flight_number', 'date_utc'
- The dataset was selected for launches with one core, one payload, and map the cores and payloads to features.
- The data utc was converted into dateime

Data Collection – SpaceX API

 Final keys in dataset: FlightNumber, Date,BoosterVersion, PayloadMass, Orbit, LaunchSite, Outcome, Flights, GridFins, Reused, Legs, LandingPad, Block, ReusedCount, Serial, Longtitude, Latitude

Link:

https://github.com/rhCat/IBMCouse_Capstone/blob/519fcf92e716cbb78b8d68d75b80430f4d6b05bd/Week_1_Data_acquicisium/jupyter-labs-spacexdata-collection-api.ipynb

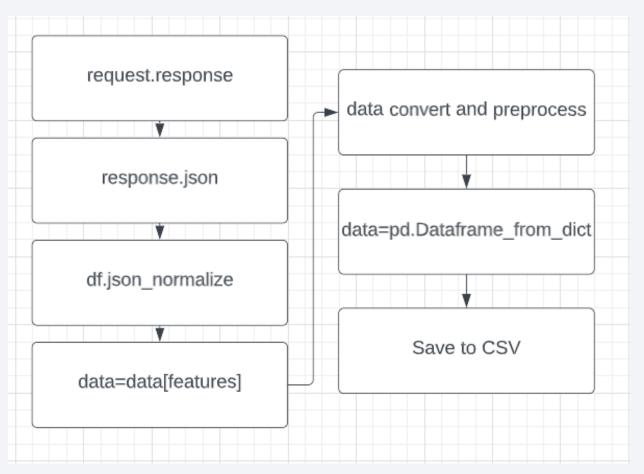


Data Collection - Scraping

Key processes:

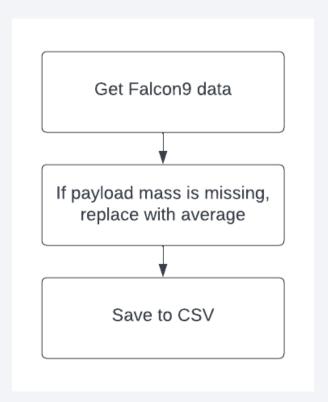
Request, beautifulsoup, process data Link:

https://github.com/rhCat/IBMCouse_Capstone/blob/master/Week_1_Data_acquicisium/jupyter-labs-webscraping.ipynb



Data Wrangling

- Data was selected for falcon9 only
- Data with missing values are replaced with average value for payload mass
- Link:
- https://github.com/rhCat/IBMCouse_Capstone/blob/master/ Week_1_Data_acquicisium/jupyter-labs-spacex-datacollection-api.ipynb



EDA with Data Visualization

- Charts plotted: Payload mass versus fight number, success rate, Launch site versus flight number, Launchsite versus payload mass, barchart of orbit, scatter of orbit versus flight number, and line chart to be success rate.
- https://github.com/rhCat/IBMCouse_Capstone/blob/master/Week_2_EDA/jupy ter-labs-eda-dataviz.ipynb

EDA with SQL

- Connect to database
- Select everything from database
- Display the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission
- Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'
- Display the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
- Display average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
- List the date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was acheived.
- List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000

EDA with SQL

- List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
- List the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass.
 Use a subquery
- List the records which will display the month names, failure landing_outcomes in drone ship ,booster versions, launch_site for the months in year 2015.
- Rank the count of successful landing_outcomes between the date 04-06-2010 and 20-03-2017 in descending order.
- https://github.com/rhCat/IBMCouse_Capstone/blob/master/Week_2_EDA/jupyter-labs-eda-sql-coursera_sqllite.ipynb

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

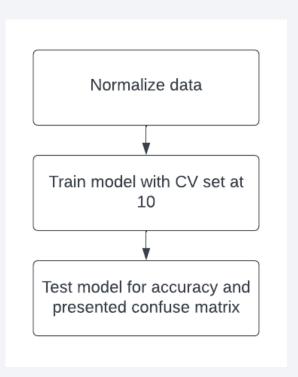
- Mark all launch sites on a mapExplain why you added those objects, Mark the success/failed launches for each site on the map, Calculate the distances between a launch site to its proximities
- Plots and options are added to better view the data
- https://github.com/rhCat/IBMCouse_Capstone/blob/master/Week_3_Visuak_Analytic /lab_jupyter_launch_site_location.ipynb

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- a Launch Site Drop-down Input ComponentExplain why you added those plots and interactions, a callback function to render success-pie-chart based on selected site dropdown, a Range Slider to Select Payload, a callback function to render the success-payload-scatter-chart scatter plot
- Add the GitHub URL of your completed Plotly Dash lab, as an external reference and peer-review purpose

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- Logic regression, support vector machine, decision tree, and KNN was used to predict the rocket recover rate by searching the setting with CV = 10
- Key: Data normalization, search different parameter combination for each model to find best, and test accuracy
- https://github.com/rhCat/IBMCouse_Capstone/blob/master/We ek_4_Predict/SpaceX_Machine%20Learning%20Prediction_Pa rt_5.ipynb



Results

• EDA suggests most relevant features are: FlightNumber, PayloadMass, Orbit, LaunchSite, Flights, GridFins, Reused, Legs, LandingPad, Block, ReusedCount, Serial,

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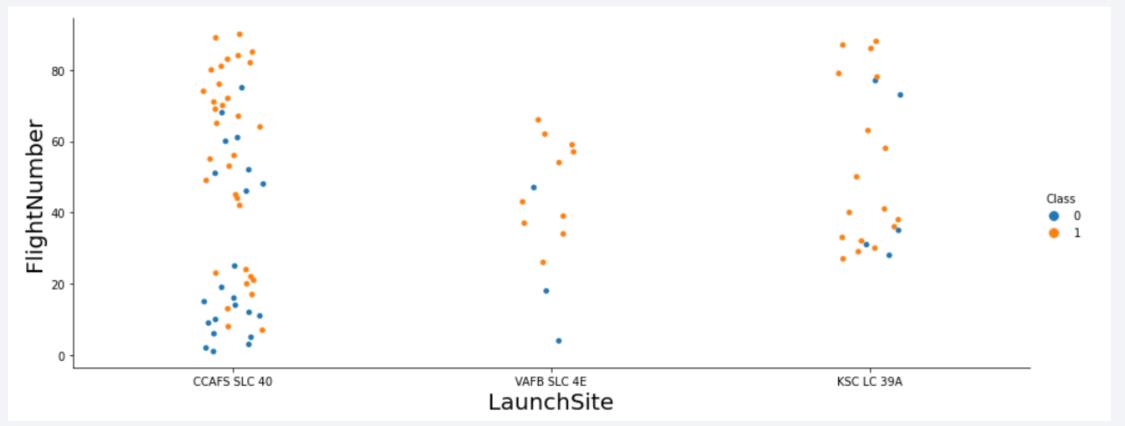
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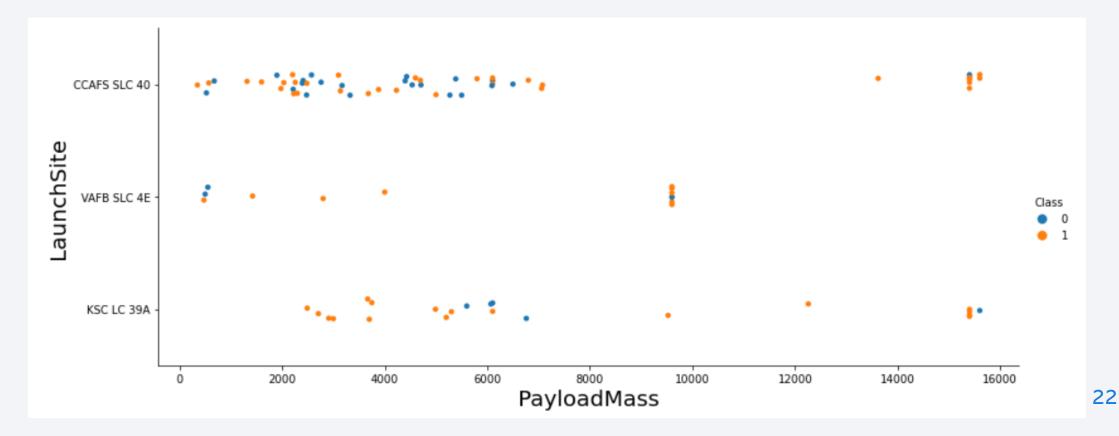
Flight Number vs. Launch Site

• The result shows while most lunches were from CCAFS SLC 40 site, the success rate is lower than the other sites. It is possible that launch sites can impact the success rate.



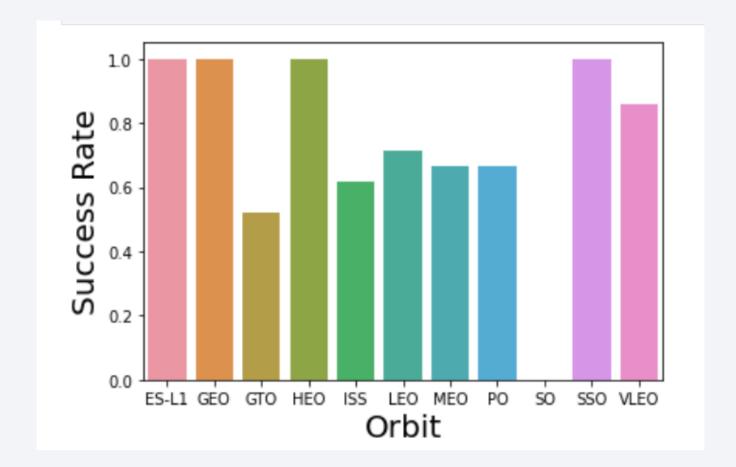
Payload vs. Launch Site

At site CCAFS SLC 40, success rate decrease with payload mass. Fro KSC LC 39A, the failure rate seemingly to be the highest at 8,000. Site VAFB SLC 4E overall have a good success rate.



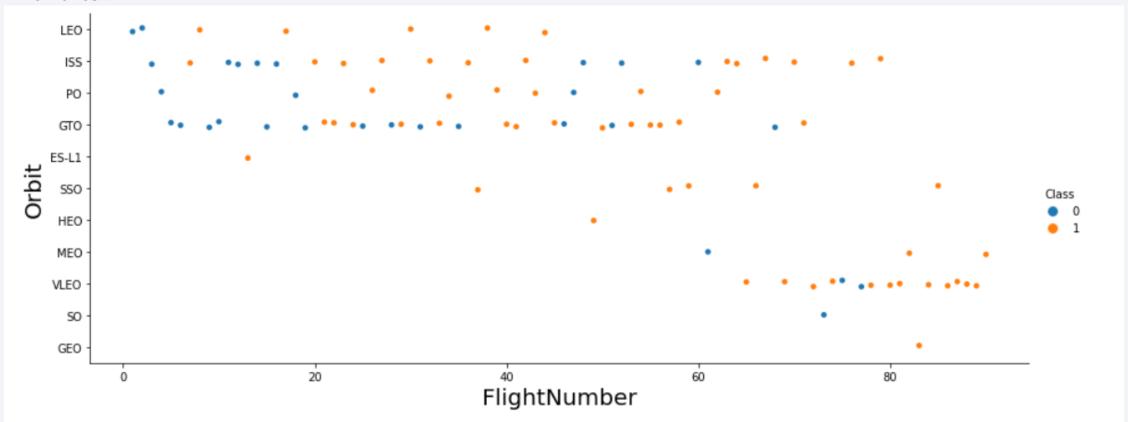
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

• Results show four types of orbit have perfect success rate while others on average share a 50% chance of success, with SO has a O success for 1 flight.



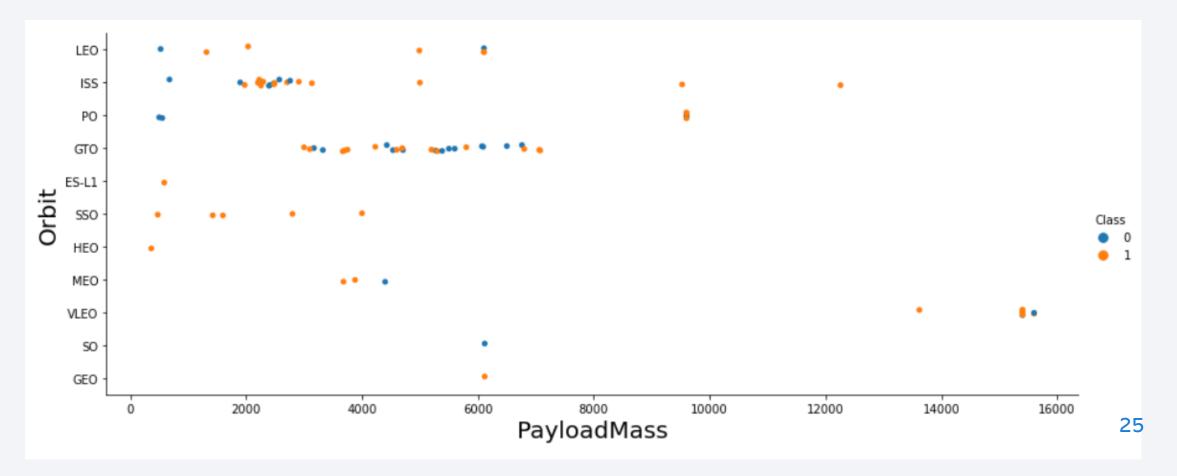
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

The launch success rate seems to increase with higher (later) flight number on all orbits.



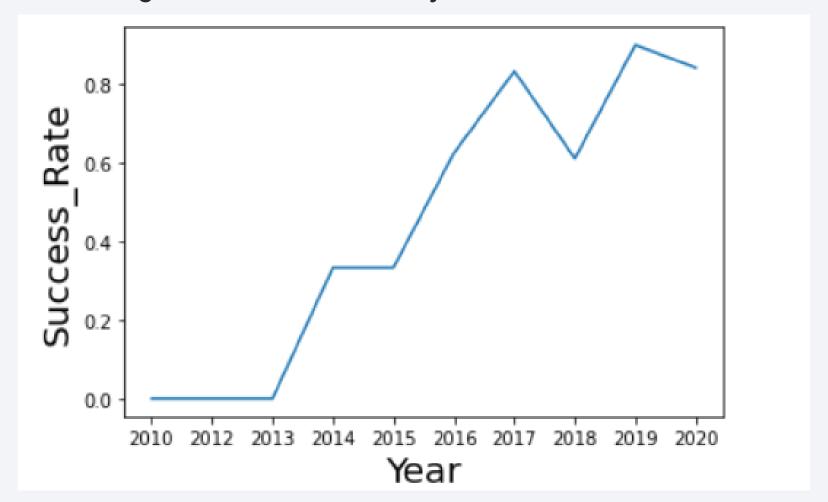
Payload vs. Orbit Type

 The increase of payload mass does not seem to have an impact on success rate for different orbit type



Launch Success Yearly Trend

• Success rate in general increases each year.



All Launch Site Names

• Select distinct can be used to get unique values

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13]:
      %%sql
           Select distinct Launch_Site
           from SPACEXTBL
       * sqlite:///my_data1.db
     Done.
13]:
       Launch_Site
       CCAFS LC-40
       VAFB SLC-4E
        KSC LC-39A
      CCAFS SLC-40
```

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

• Where __ like '%string_to_find%' is the way to do it

```
%%sql
     Select *
     from SPACEXTBL
     where Launch Site like '%CCA%'
     limit 5
 * sqlite:///my data1.db
Done.
                                                                                                                                                                      Landing
                     Booster Version Launch Site
    Date
                                                                                    Payload PAYLOAD MASS KG
                                                                                                                      Orbit
                                                                                                                                 Customer Mission Outcome
                                                                                                                                                                     Outcome
                                        CCAFS LC-
  04-06-
                                                                                                                                                                        Failure
                        F9 v1.0 B0003
                                                           Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit
            18:45:00
                                                                                                                 0
                                                                                                                       LEO
                                                                                                                                    SpaceX
                                                                                                                                                      Success
   2010
                                                                                                                                                                    (parachute)
  08-12-
                                                     Dragon demo flight C1, two CubeSats, barrel
                                                                                                                               NASA (COTS)
                                        CCAFS LC-
                                                                                                                       LEO
                                                                                                                                                                        Failure
                        F9 v1.0 B0004
                                                                                                                 0
            15:43:00
                                                                                                                                                      Success
   2010
                                                                            of Brouere cheese
                                                                                                                       (ISS)
                                                                                                                                                                    (parachute)
  22-05-
                                        CCAFS LC-
            07:44:00
                        F9 v1.0 B0005
                                                                       Dragon demo flight C2
                                                                                                               525
                                                                                                                               NASA (COTS)
                                                                                                                                                      Success
                                                                                                                                                                    No attempt
   2012
                                                                                                                       (ISS)
  08-10-
                                        CCAFS LC-
                                                                                                                       LEO
                                                                                                                                NASA (CRS)
            00:35:00
                        F9 v1.0 B0006
                                                                               SpaceX CRS-1
                                                                                                               500
                                                                                                                                                      Success
                                                                                                                                                                    No attempt
   2012
                                                                                                                       (ISS)
  01-03-
                                        CCAFS LC-
                                                                                                                       LEO
            15:10:00
                        F9 v1.0 B0007
                                                                                                               677
                                                                                                                                NASA (CRS)
                                                                                SpaceX CRS-2
                                                                                                                                                      Success
                                                                                                                                                                    No attempt
   2013
                                                                                                                       (ISS)
```

Total Payload Mass

• Select sum() + where is the method to do it.

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

• Select avg() + where is the method to do it.

```
In [18]:
          %%sql
              select avg(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)
              from SPACEXTBL
              where Booster_Version like '%F9 v1.1%'
          * sqlite:///my_data1.db
         Done.
Out[18]: avg(PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_)
               2534.666666666665
         Tack 5
```

First Successful Ground Landing Date

• While min() method does the job, I use sort to inspect the dataset

```
In [50]:
          %%sql
              select *
              from SPACEXTBL
              where "Landing _Outcome" like '%(ground pad)%'
              order by "Date" desc
              limit 1
          * sqlite:///my_data1.db
Out[50]:
              Date Time (UTC) Booster_Version Launch_Site
                                                                                   Payload PAYLOAD MASS KG Orbit Customer Mission Outcome Landing Outcome
         22-12-2015
                                                                                                                                      Success (ground pad)
                       01:29:00
                                   F9 FT B1019 CCAFS LC-40 OG2 Mission 2 11 Orbcomm-OG2 satellites
                                                                                                                LEO Orbcomm
```

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

Use between to get the values

```
In [54]:
          %%sql
               select Booster_Version
              from SPACEXTBL
              where "Landing _Outcome" like '%Success (drone ship)%'
               and PAYLOAD MASS KG between 4000 and 6000
           * sqlite:///my data1.db
         Done.
Out[54]:
         Booster_Version
             F9 FT B1022
             F9 FT B1026
            F9 FT B1021.2
            F9 FT B1031.2
         Tack 7
```

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

Select count() does the job

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

• Subquery with select Max can do it. In this case, it is the max payload each launch

```
In [87]:
           %%sql
                select Booster_Version
                from SPACEXTBL
               where PAYLOAD MASS KG = (select max(PAYLOAD MASS KG ) from SPACEXTBL)
           * sqlite:///my_data1.db
          Done.
Out[87]: 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

Use and to add additional requests

```
In [107...
            %%sql
                select substr(Date, 4, 2) as Month, "Landing Outcome", Booster Version, Launch Site
                from SPACEXTBL
                where substr(Date,7,4)='2015'
                AND "Landing Outcome" like "%(drone ship)%"
                and "Landing Outcome" not like "%Success%"
            * sqlite:///my data1.db
           Done.
Out[107...
                    Landing Outcome Booster_Version Launch_Site
           Month
                     Failure (drone ship) F9 v1.1 B1012 CCAFS LC-40
              01
              04
                     Failure (drone ship) F9 v1.1 B1015 CCAFS LC-40
              06 Precluded (drone ship) F9 v1.1 B1018 CCAFS LC-40
```

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

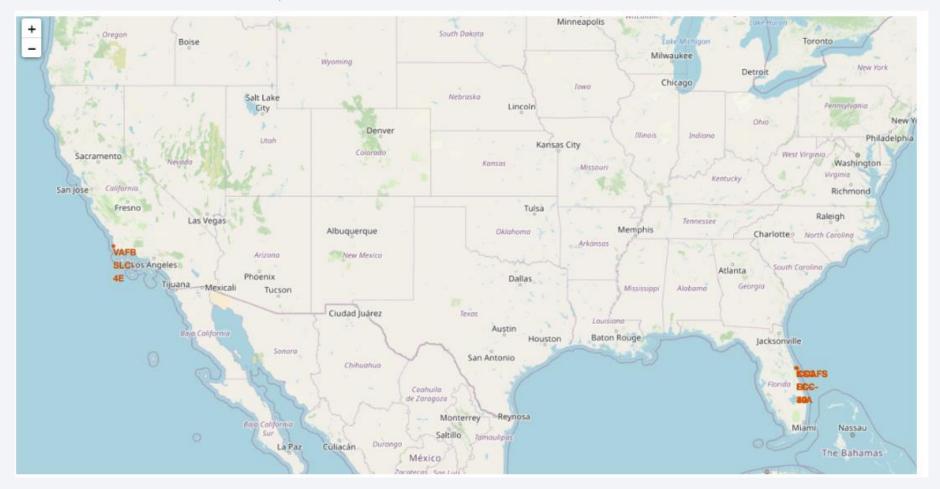
• Use group and order to categorize and sum up results

```
In [111...
           %%sql
                select "Landing Outcome", count("Landing Outcome") as Success count
                from SPACEXTBL
                where date between "04-06-2010" and "20-03-2017"
                And "Landing Outcome" like "%Success%"
                group by "Landing Outcome"
                order by Success count desc
            * sqlite:///my data1.db
           Done.
Out[111...
            Landing Outcome Success_count
                                       20
                     Success
            Success (drone ship)
           Success (ground pad)
                                        6
```



Launch Site Locations

• One site at west cost, others all in Florida



<Folium Map Screenshot 2>

• Replace <Folium map screenshot 2> title with an appropriate title

 Explore the folium map and make a proper screenshot to show the colorlabeled launch outcomes on the map

Explain the important elements and findings on the screenshot

<Folium Map Screenshot 3>

Replace <Folium map screenshot 3> title with an appropriate title

• 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



< Dashboard Screenshot 1>

Replace < Dashboard screenshot 1> title with an appropriate title

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

• Explain the important elements and findings on the screenshot

< Dashboard Screenshot 2>

Replace <Dashboard screenshot 2> title with an appropriate title

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

• Explain the important elements and findings on the screenshot

< Dashboard Screenshot 3>

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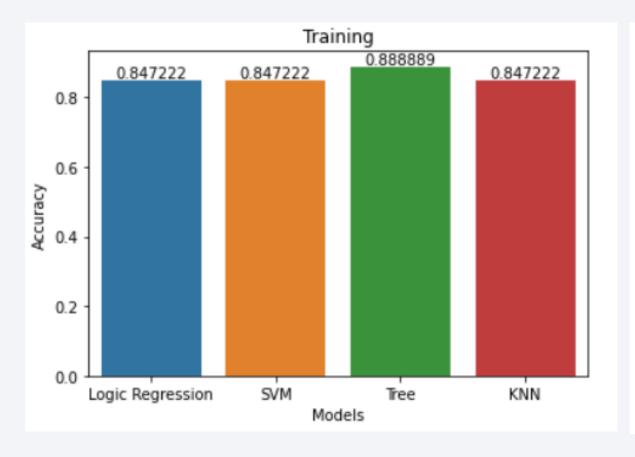
• Show screenshots of Payload vs. Launch Outcome scatter plot for all sites, with different payload selected in the range slider

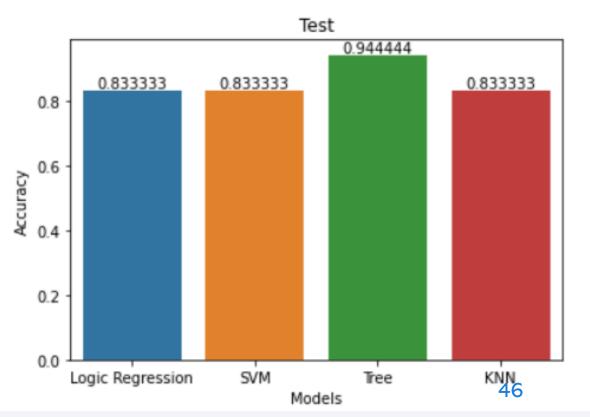
• Explain the important elements and findings on the screenshot, such as which payload range or booster version have the largest success rate, etc.



Classification Accuracy

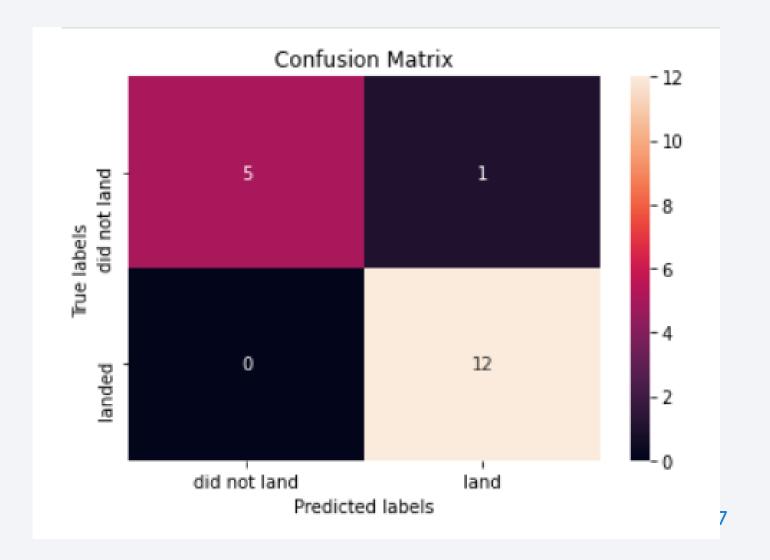
 The best result was from decision tree with training accuracy of 88.9% and test accuracy of 94.4%





Confusion Matrix

- The precision (true positive/all positive prediction)=12/13, the recall was (true positive / (true positive + false negative)) =12/12
- F1 score was 2*(12/13*12/12)/(12/13 +12/12)=0.96



Conclusions

- Success rate increase with time
- Success rate show dependency on complex variables
- However, dataset need to be expanded to better present all cases
- The decision tree best predict the success rate
- Although the prediction can be used as an indicator for predicting results, it depends on precious knowledge
- Selection of launching criteria still need to be depend on project requirements

