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Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

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Introduction

- Project background and context
 - In this capstone, we will predict if the Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully. SpaceX advertises Falcon 9 rocket launches on its website, with a cost of 62 million dollars; other providers cost upward of 165 million dollars 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. 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 do some characteristics of the launcher such as payload mass, number of flights and orbits affect the success of the first stage landing?
 - Does the success rate increase over the years ?
 - What are the conditions that SpaceX needs to have to get the best results and ensure a successful landing?

Section 1

Methodology

Methodology

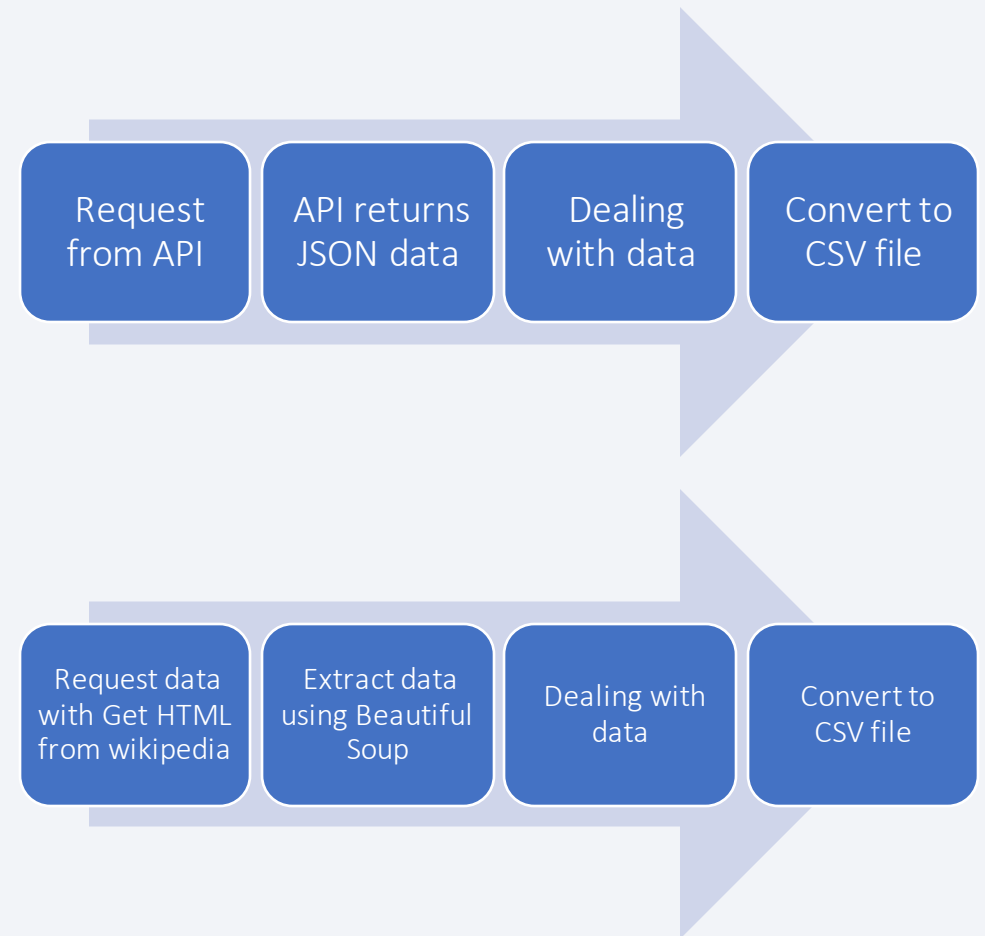
Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Data is collected from the SPACEX REST API and using Web scrapping from Wikipedia
- Perform data wrangling
 - Using pandas and numpy libraries we will explore the data and determine what would be the label for training supervised models
- 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

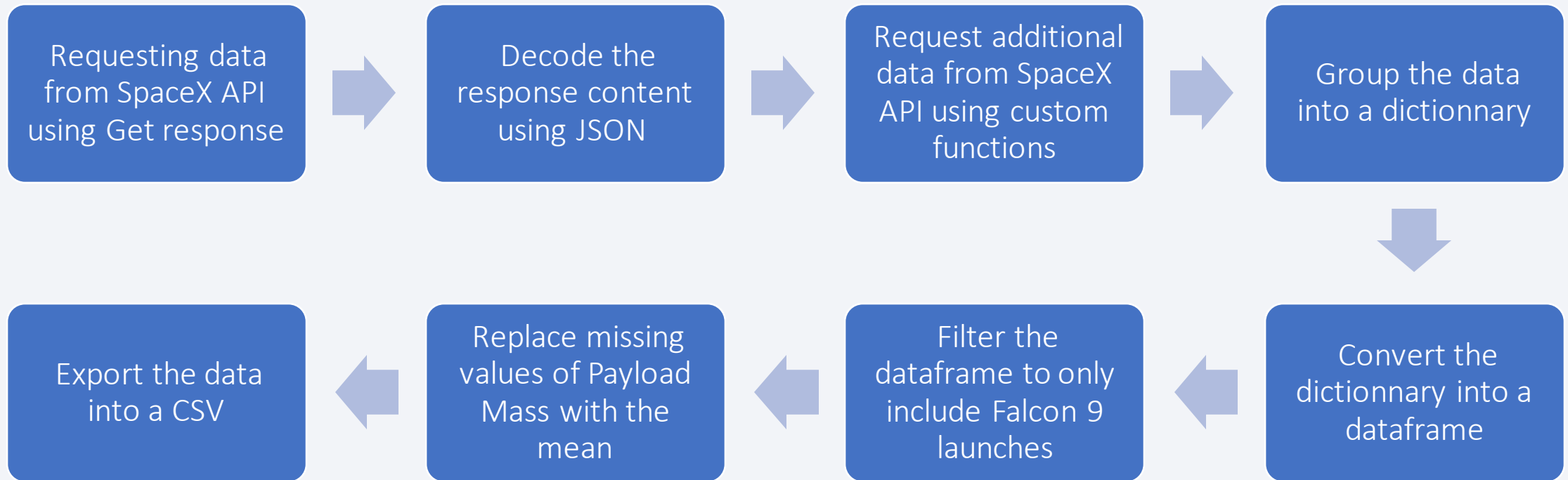
Data Collection

- Data was collected from multiple source to build the dataset
 - Data collected from SpaceX REST API:
 - <https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past>
 - This link provides data about previous launches such as rocket type, payload mass, dates, success/failure
 - Data collected from Wikipedia using web scrapping and BeautifulSoup

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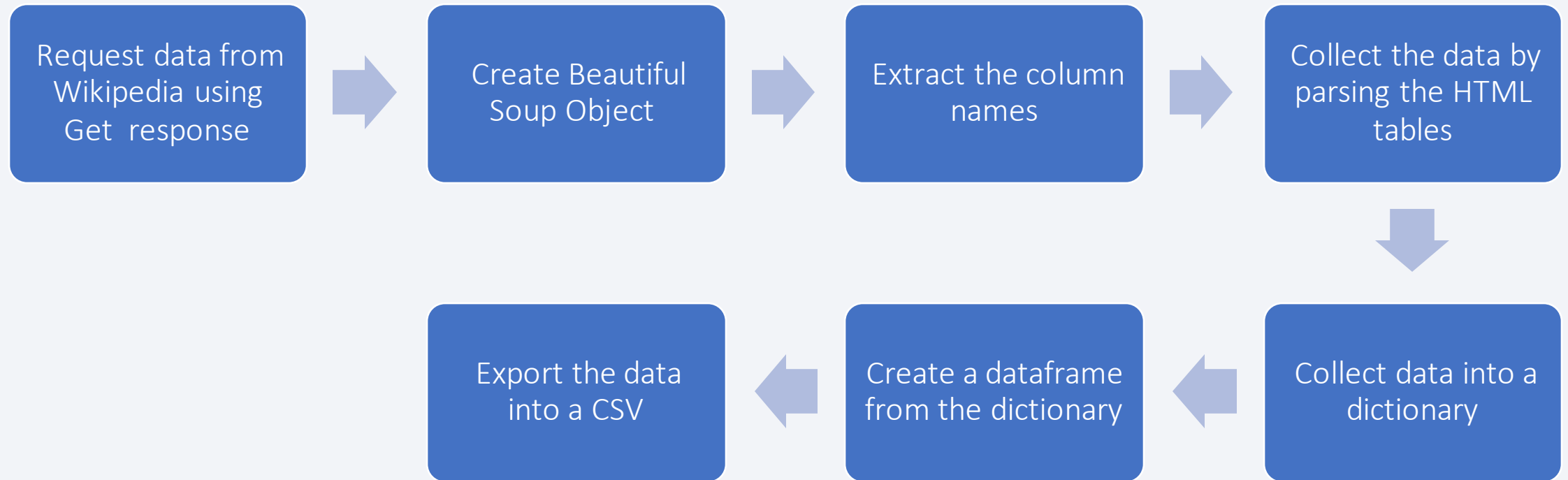


Data Collection – SpaceX API



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Data Collection - Scraping

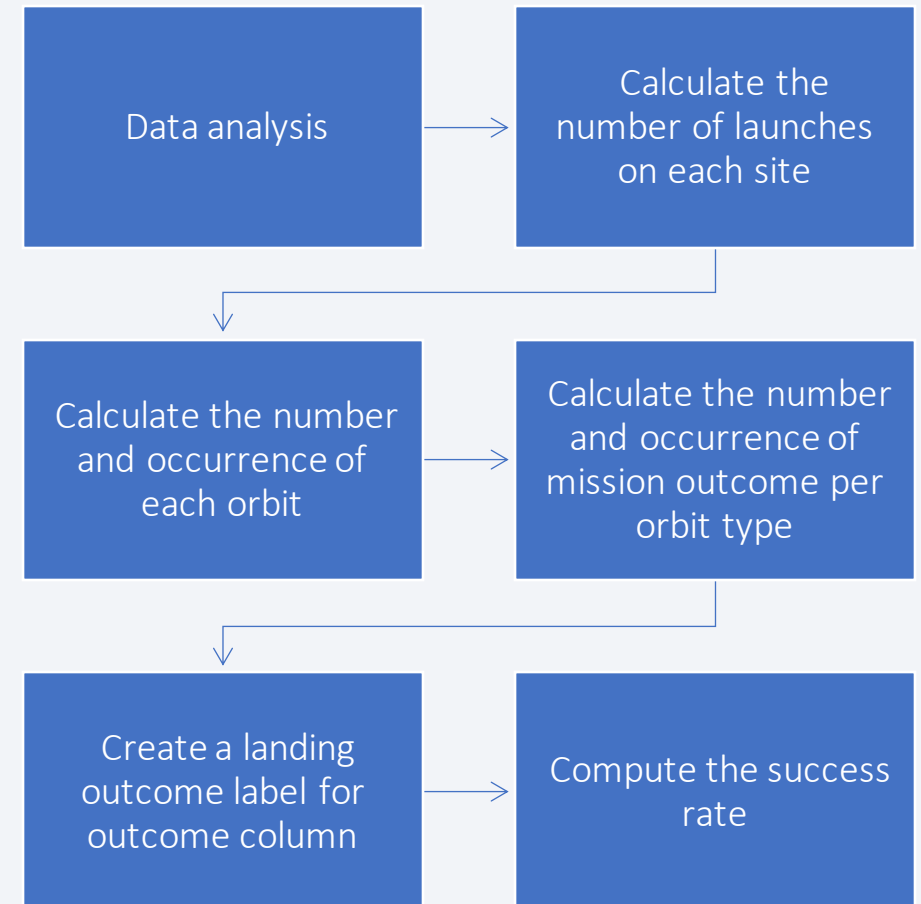


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Data Wrangling

- We performed several checks on the data such as the percentage of missing values in each attribute and identify the data type
- Using the method `value_counts()` we computed:
 - Number of launches on each site
 - Number of missions
 - Number of Outcomes
- We created a landing outcome label from Outcome column having 1 as Success or 0 as Failure
- We computed the success rate

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EDA with Data Visualization

- Using the library seaborn we plotted the following charts Flight number vs Payload Mass, Flight number vs Launch Site, Payload Mass vs Launch Site, Flight number vs Orbit type, Payload vs Orbit type
- Bar charts were also used to plot the success rate of the different orbit type
- We built a feature matrix of the most important attributes

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EDA with SQL

- SQL queries:
 - 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 achieved.
 - List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000
 - 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
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 - 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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Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Mark all launch sites on a map
 - We created a folium Map object, with an initial center location to be NASA Johnson Space Center at Houston, Texas
 - We created a Circle for all Launch Sites using their latitude and longitude coordinates
- Mark the success (Green)/failed (Red) launches for each site on the map
- Calculate the distances between a launch site to its proximities to see if there was a relationship between success rate and distance to some objects such as cities or coastline

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Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

The dashboard includes

- Pie chart
 - Display the total successful launches count for all sites and the success vs. Failed counts for the selected site
- Scatter plot
 - Shows the correlation between Payload and launches Success
 - Added a slider to select the payload range

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Predictive Analysis (Classification)

Building the model

- Load dataset from csv to Pandas dataframe
- Transform the data
- Split the data into training and test data set
- Run the following ML algorithms: Logistic Regression, SVM, Decision Tree, KNN
- Train each model using GridSearchCV to optimize hyperparameters

Evaluating the models

- Check accuracy of the models
- Plot Confusion matrix

The model with the best accuracy score wins

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Results

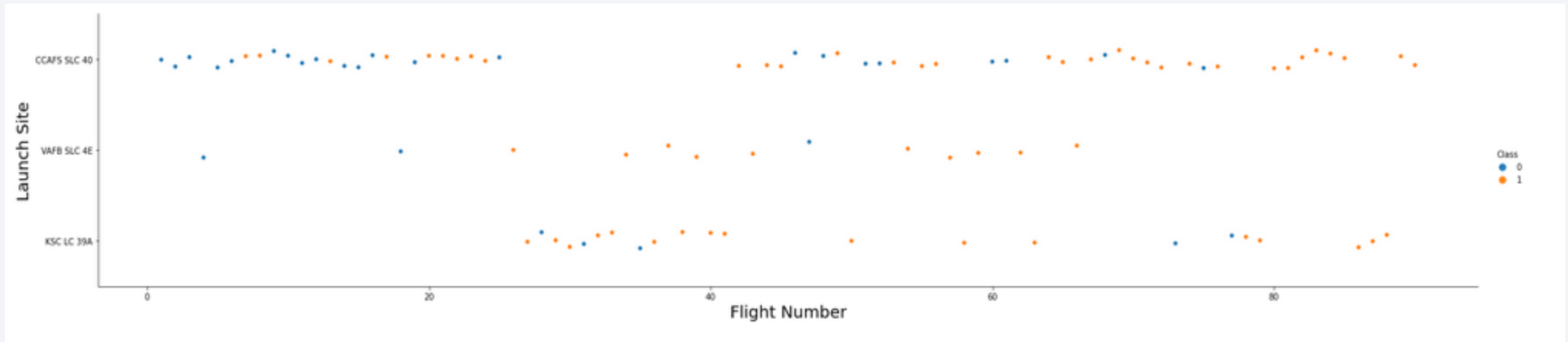
- Exploratory data analysis results
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The background of the slide is a complex, abstract composition. It features a dark blue base color. Overlaid on this are numerous diagonal streaks and bands of lighter blue and vibrant red. These streaks vary in thickness and intensity, creating a sense of motion and depth. A faint, semi-transparent grid pattern is also visible, particularly in the upper right quadrant, where it intersects with the colored streaks. The overall effect is a high-tech, digital aesthetic.

Section 2

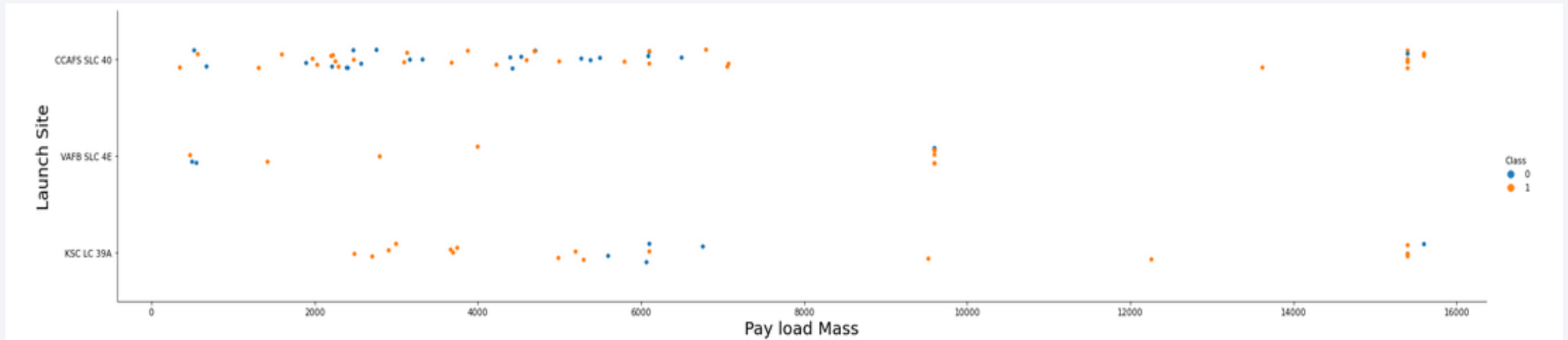
Insights drawn from EDA

Flight Number vs. Launch Site



- KSC LC 39A and VAFB SLC 4E have higher success rates
- Latest flights had a higher rate of success

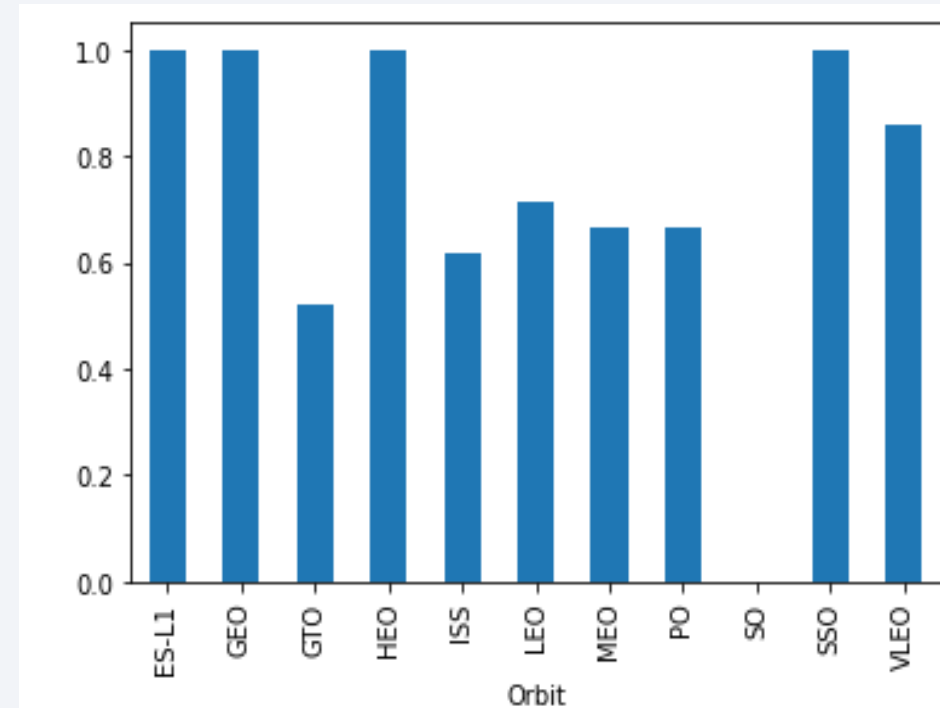
Payload vs. Launch Site



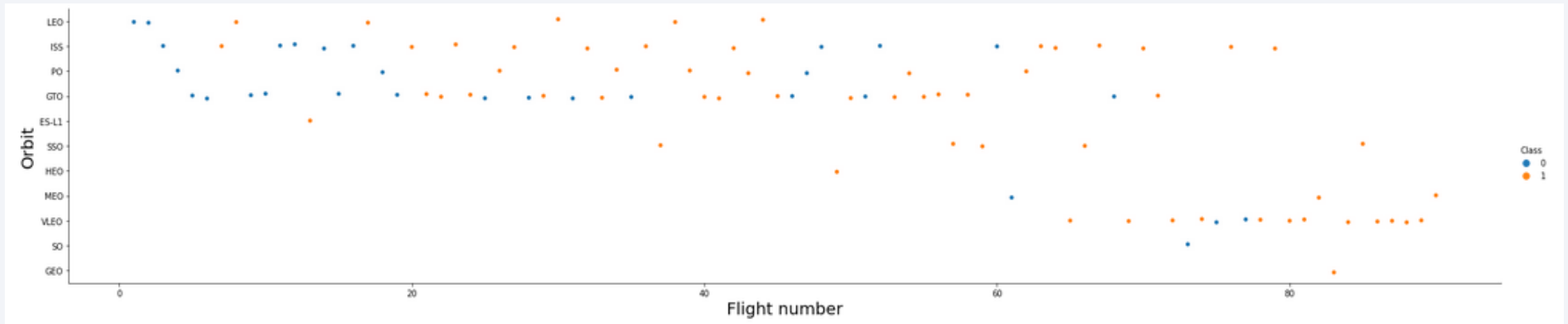
- Most of the launches with payload mass above 8000kg were successful
- For every launch site the higher the payload mass, the higher the success rate

Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

- ES-L1, GEO HEO and SSO are the orbits with a 100% success rate
- SO orbit has a success rate of 0%

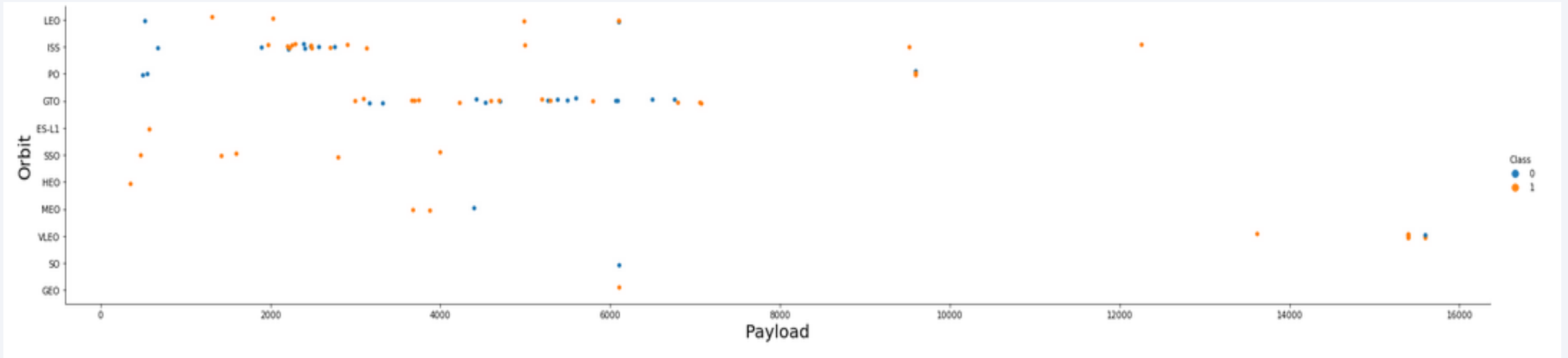


Flight Number vs. Orbit Type



- In the LEO orbit the success appears to be related to the number of flights, on the other hand, there seems to be no relationship between flight number when in GTO orbit

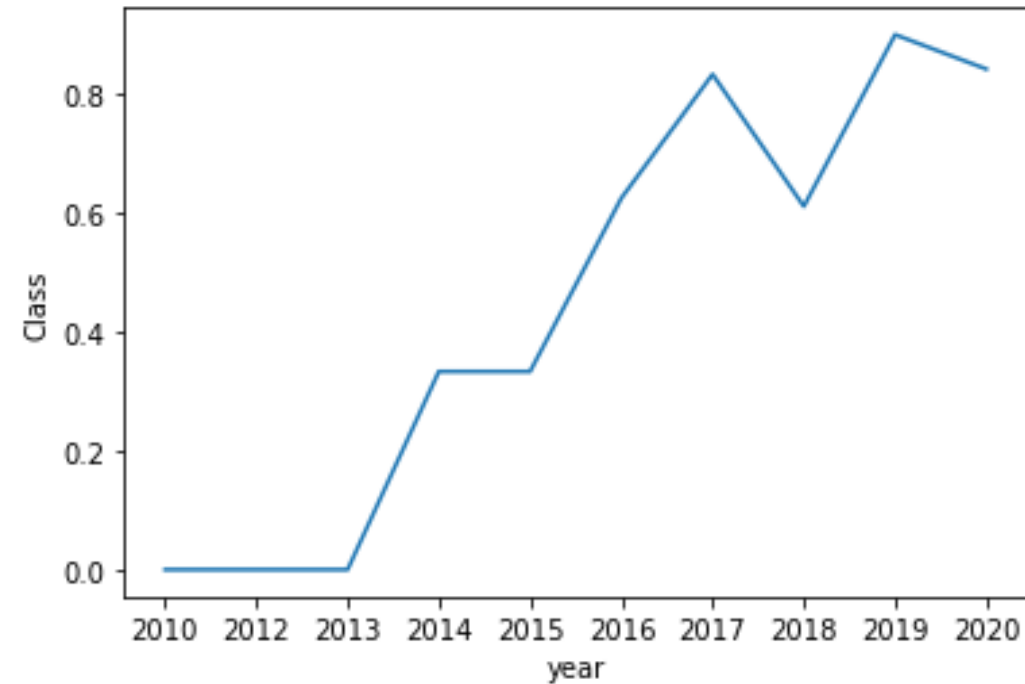
Payload vs. Orbit Type



- LEO, PO and ISS orbits have higher successful landing for heavy payloads

Launch Success Yearly Trend

- The success rate kept increasing till 2020



All Launch Site Names

In [5]: %sql SELECT distinct launch_site FROM SPACEXDATASET;

* ibm_db_sa://hbh90814:***@824dfd4d-99de-440d-9991-629c01b3832d.bs2io90108kqblod8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:30119/bludb
Done.

Out[5]:

| launch_site |
|--------------|
| CCAFS LC-40 |
| CCAFS SLC-40 |
| KSC LC-39A |
| VAFB SLC-4E |

- Displaying unique launch sites

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'

```
In [6]: %sql SELECT * FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE launch_site LIKE 'CCA%' limit 5;

* ibm_db_sa://hbh90814:***@824dfd4d-99de-440d-9991-629c01b3832d.bs2ic90108kqb1od8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:30119/bludb
Done.
```

Out[6]:

| 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 | 07:44:00 | F9 v1.0 B0005 | CCAFS LC-40 | Dragon demo flight C2 | 525 | LEO (ISS) | NASA (COTS) | Success | No attempt |
| 2012-10-08 | 00:35:00 | 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 |

- Displaying 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`

Total Payload Mass

```
In [13]: %sql SELECT customer, sum(payload_mass_kg) as sum FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE customer = 'NASA (CRS)' GROUP BY customer;

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Done.
```

```
Out[13]:
```

| customer | SUM |
|------------|-------|
| NASA (CRS) | 45596 |

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

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

```
Entrée [13]: %sql SELECT BOOSTER_VERSION, AVG(payload_mass__kg) as average_payload_mass__kg FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE BOOSTER_VERSION like '%F9 v1.1%' group by BOOSTER_VERSION ;
```

```
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Done.
```

```
Out[13]:
```

| booster_version | average_payload_mass__kg |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| F9 v1.1 | 2928 |
| F9 v1.1 B1003 | 500 |
| F9 v1.1 B1010 | 2216 |
| F9 v1.1 B1011 | 4428 |
| F9 v1.1 B1012 | 2395 |
| F9 v1.1 B1013 | 570 |
| F9 v1.1 B1014 | 4159 |
| F9 v1.1 B1015 | 1898 |
| F9 v1.1 B1016 | 4707 |
| F9 v1.1 B1017 | 553 |
| F9 v1.1 B1018 | 1952 |

- Displaying average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

First Successful Ground Landing Date

```
Entrée [14]: %sql SELECT MIN(DATE) as DATE FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE LANDING__OUTCOME = 'Success (ground pad)';  
* ibm_db_sa://hbh90814:***@824dfd4d-99de-440d-9991-629c01b3832d.bs2io90108kqb1od8l1cg.databases.appdomain.cloud:30119/bludb  
Done.  
Out[14]: DATE  
2015-12-22
```

- Listing the date when the first successful landing outcome in ground pad was achieved.

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

```
Entrée [21]: %sql SELECT booster_version FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE LANDING__OUTCOME = 'Success (drone ship)' and payload_mass__kg_ between 4000 and 6000;
```

```
* ibm_db_sa://hbh90814:***@824dfd4d-99de-440d-9991-629c01b3832d.bs2ic90108kqb1od81cg.databases.appdomain.cloud:30119/bludb  
Done.
```

```
Out[21]:
```

| booster_version |
|-----------------|
| F9 FT B1022 |
| F9 FT B1026 |
| F9 FT B1021.2 |
| F9 FT B1031.2 |

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

Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

```
Entrée [60]: %sql SELECT mission_outcome, count(mission_outcome) as count FROM SPACEXDATASET GROUP BY mission_outcome;
* ibm_db_sa://hbh90814:***@824dfd4d-99de-440d-9991-629c01b3832d.bs2io90108kqblod8lcg.databases.appdomain.cloud:30119/bludb
Done.
```

Out[60]:

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

- Listing the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

```
Entrée [73]: %sql SELECT BOOSTER_VERSION FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE payload_mass__kg_ = (SELECT MAX(payload_mass__kg_) FROM SPACEXDATASET);
```

```
* ibm_db_sa://hbh90814:***@824dfd4d-99de-440d-9991-629c01b3832d.bs2io90108kqb1od81cg.databases.appdomain.cloud:30119/bludb  
Done.
```

```
Out[73]:
```

| 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 |

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

2015 Launch Records

Entrée [67]: `%sql SELECT DATE, booster_version, launch_site, landing__outcome FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE landing__outcome = 'Failure (drone ship)' and YEAR(DATE) = '2015';`

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Done.

Out[67]:

| DATE | booster_version | launch_site | landing__outcome |
|------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------------|
| 2015-01-10 | F9 v1.1 B1012 | CCAFS LC-40 | Failure (drone ship) |
| 2015-04-14 | F9 v1.1 B1015 | CCAFS LC-40 | Failure (drone ship) |

- Listing 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

```
Entrée [23]: %%sql SELECT DATE, landing__outcome FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE DATE > '2010-06-04' and DATE < '2017-03-20' ;
%%sql SELECT LANDING__OUTCOME, COUNT (LANDING__OUTCOME) as count_Landing_Outcome FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE DATE BETWEEN '2010-06-04'AND '2017-03-20' GROUP BY LANDING__OUTCOME;

* ibm_db_sa://hbh90814:***@824dfd4d-99de-440d-9991-629c01b3832d.bs2io90108kqb1od8lqg.databases.appdomain.cloud:30119/bludb
Done.
```

```
Out[23]:
```

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

- Ranking 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

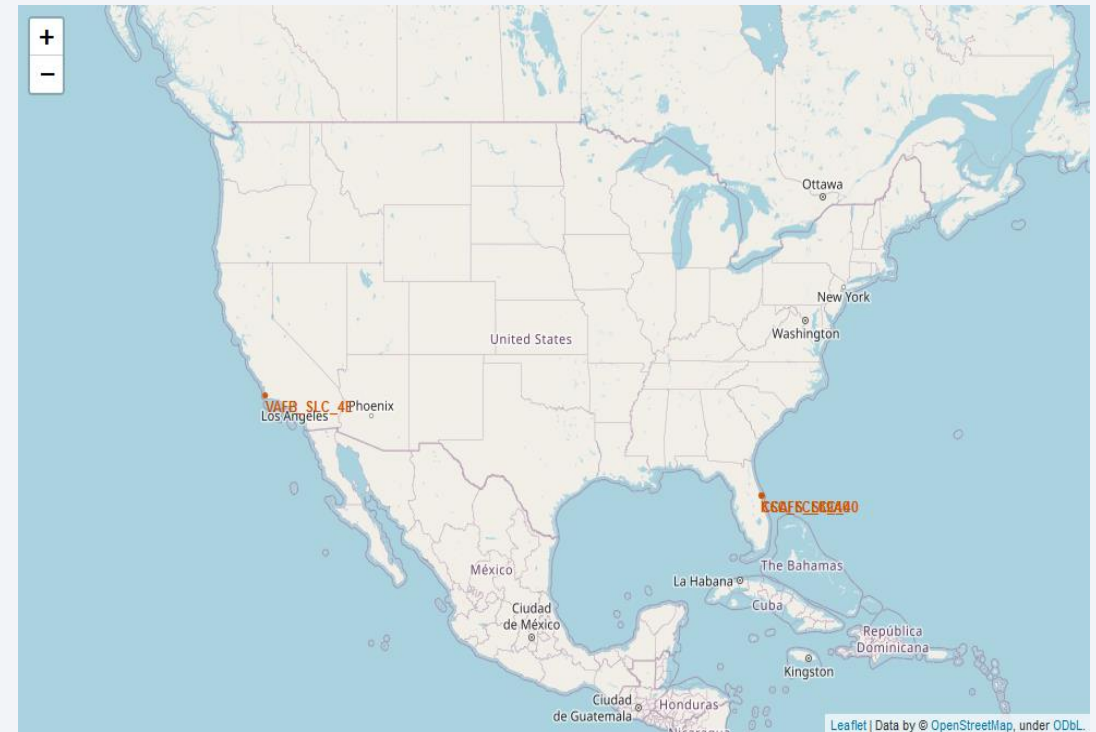
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Launch Sites Proximities Analysis



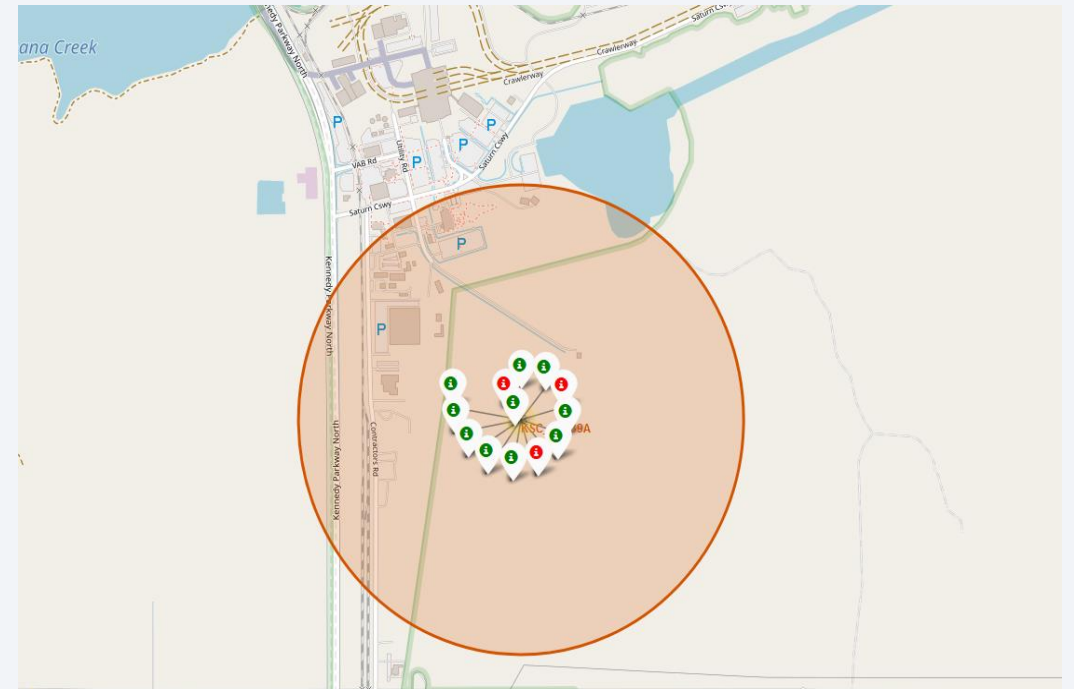
Launch Sites on a map

- All launch sites are in proximity to the Equator line and in close proximity to the coast line as it minimizes the risk of having accidents close to cities



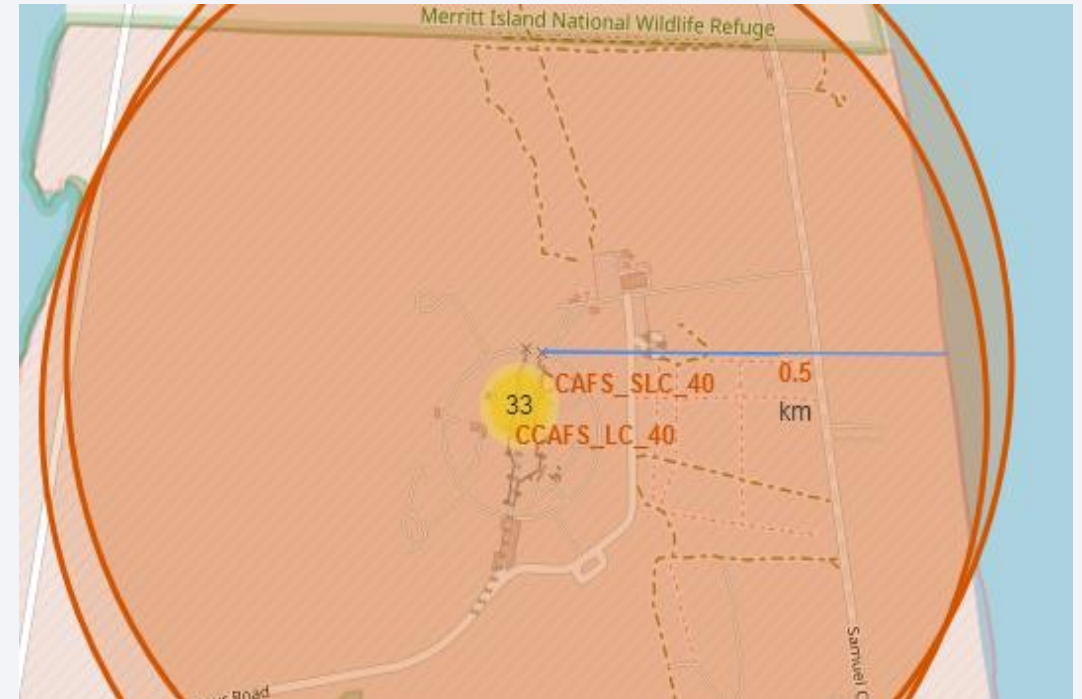
Color-labeled launch outcomes on the map

- From the color-labeled markers we can easily identify which launch sites have relatively high success rates
- Successful launches are marked in **Green** and Failed launches are marked in **Red**



Distance from the launch Site and Coastline

- From the map we can clearly see that the launch site is close to the coastline. The distance is displayed on the map





Section 5

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

Launch success for all sites

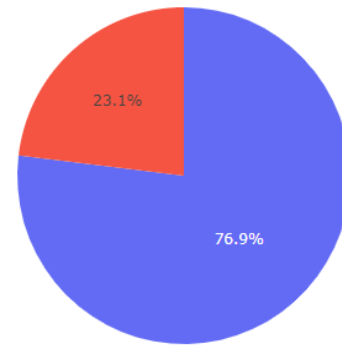
Total Success Launches By Site



- The site KSC LC-39A has the most successful launches

Launch Site with highest launch success ratio

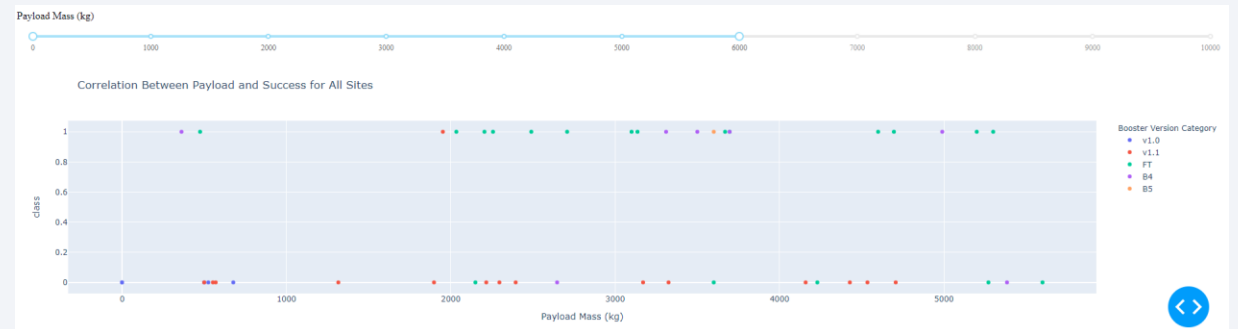
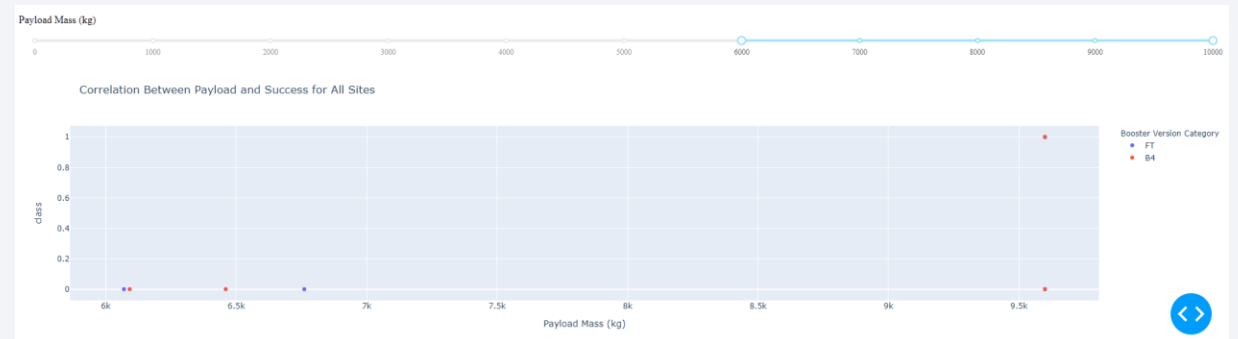
Total Success Launches for site KSC LC-39A



- KSC LC 39-A had the highest launch success rate (76.9%) with 10 successful and 3 failed

Payload Mass vs Launch outcome for all sites

- The highest successful launch rate was for payloads between 2,000 and 5,300 kg



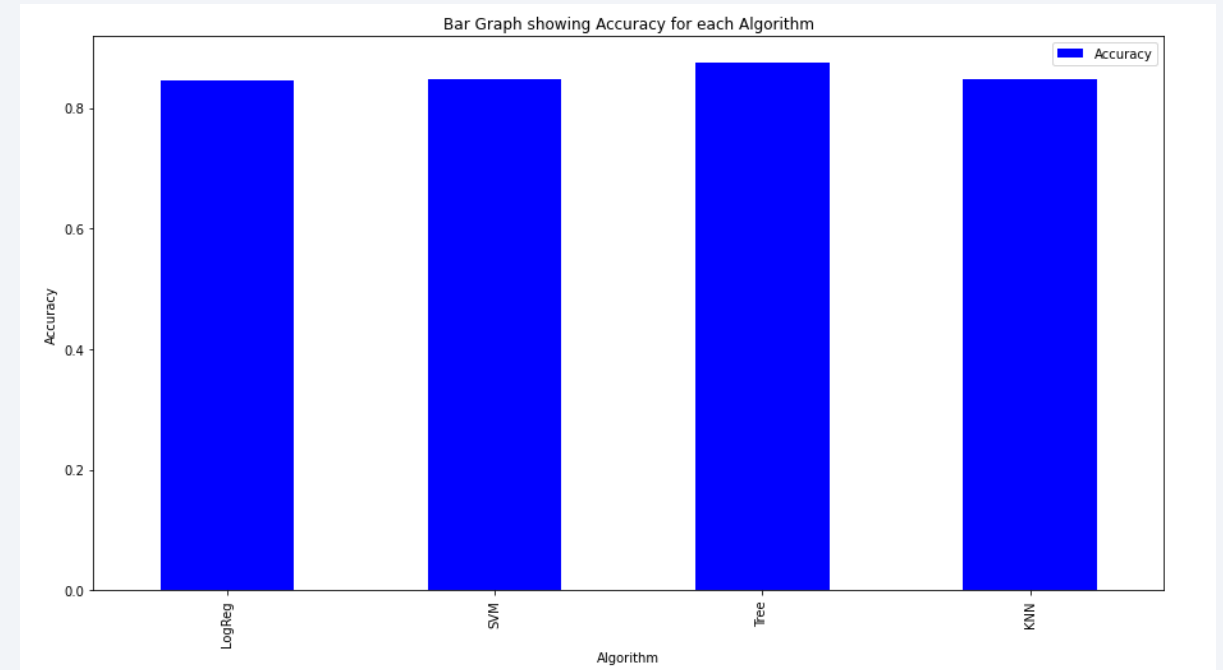


Section 6

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

Classification Accuracy

- As you can see on the Bar chart, all models have a close accuracy. However the Tree is the winner.
- Best model is the Tree algorithm with an accuracy of 0.875

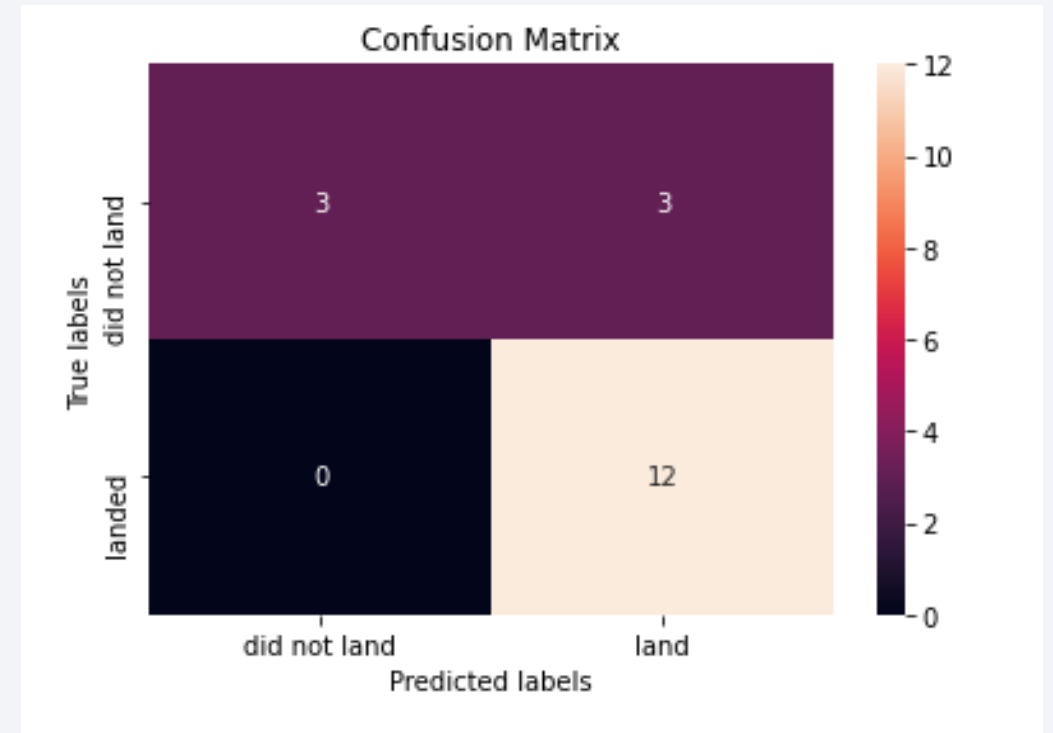


Best Algorithm is Tree with a score of 0.875

Best Params is : {'criterion': 'gini', 'max_depth': 4, 'max_features': 'sqrt', 'min_samples_leaf': 4, 'min_samples_split': 5, 'splitter': 'random'}

Confusion Matrix

- Looking at the confusion matrix, we see that the major problem of the Tree Classification is False positives



Conclusions

- The success rate for SpaceX launches increases over years
- Most of launch sites are situated close to the Equator line and in proximity to the coast
- The following launching sites KSC LC 39A and VAFB SLC 4E had higher success rates
- Orbit GEO, HEO, SSO, ES L1 had the highest Success Rate
- Decision Tree model is the best algorithm for this dataset

Appendix

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Thank you!

