

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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# **Executive Summary**

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### Introduction

#### Project background and context

This project is to predict if the Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully. SpaceX offers a Falcon 9 rocket launch as low as 62 million dollars; other providers cost upward of 165 million dollars each which is a huge cost saving. Much of of the cost savings is because SpaceX can reuse the first stage. The goal of this project is to use machine learning to predict the landing outcome of the first stage. In turn, this will enable us to determine the cost of a launch along with a right price an alternate company should seek to bid against SpaceX for a rocket launch

#### Problems you want to find answers

- What are the factors that influence the landing outcome?
- What are the relationship of certain rockets variables and how they will impact the landing outcome?
- What are the best conditions needed to increase the probability of a successful landing?



# Methodology

#### **Executive Summary**

- Data collection methodology:
  - SpaceX REST API
  - Web Scrapping from Wikipedia
- Perform data wrangling
  - One Hot Encoding data fields for Machine Learning
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQ
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
  - How to build, tune, evaluate classification models

#### **Data Collection**

• One of the first steps in the Machine Learning Lifecycle is to identify what data is needed. Then evaluate the various means available for collecting this data.

REST API - We use the get request and decode the response content as JSON format and use json\_normalize() which turns the data into a pandas dataframe. Once this is done we clean the data, checking for missing values and fill where required.

Web scrapping – We use BeautifulSoup and extract the records as HTML table and convert it to Pandas dataframe for further analysis.

You need to present your data collection process use key phrases and flowcharts

# Data Collection - SpaceX API

- 1. Get Response from API
- Converting Response using json\_normalize method to convert into a pandas dataframe
- 3. Perform data cleaning and fill missing value

```
spacex_url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"
response = requests.get(spacex_url)
```

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# Use json_normalize meethod to convert the json result into a dataframe
response = requests.get(static_json_url).json()
data = pd.json_normalize(response)
```

```
# Lets take a subset of our dataframe keeping only the features we want and the flight number, and date_utc.
data = data[['rocket', 'payloads', 'launchpad', 'cores', 'flight_number', 'date_utc']]

# We will remove rows with multiple cores because those are falcon rockets with 2 extra rocket boosters and rows that have multiple payloads in a sing
data = data[data['cores'].map(len)==1]

# Since payloads and cores are lists of size 1 we will also extract the single value in the list and replace the feature.
data['cores'] = data['cores'].map(lambda x : x[0])
data['payloads'] = data['payloads'].map(lambda x : x[0])

# We also want to convert the date_utc to a datetime datatype and then extracting the date leaving the time
data['date'] = pd.to_datetime(data['date_utc']).dt.date

# Using the date we will restrict the dates of the launches
data = data[data['date'] <= datetime.date(2020, 11, 13)]</pre>
```

# Data Collection - Scraping

- 1. Get Response from HTML
- 2. Use BeautifulSoup to create a BeautifulSoup object from response
- 3. Extract data from the table

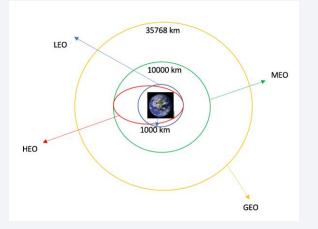
```
# use requests.get() method with the provided static url
  # assign the response to a object
  data = requests.get(static url).text
  # Use BeautifulSoup() to create a BeautifulSoup object from a response text content
  soup = BeautifulSoup(data, 'html.parser')
extracted row = 0
for table number, table in enumerate(soup.find all('table', "wikitable plainrowheaders collapsible")):
  # get table row
   for rows in table.find all("tr"):
       #check to see if first table heading is as number corresponding to launch a number
       if rows.th:
          if rows.th.string:
              flight_number=rows.th.string.strip()
               flag=flight number.isdigit()
           flag=False
       #get table element
       row=rows.find all('td')
       #if it is number save cells in a dictonary
       if flag:
           extracted row += 1
```

# **Data Wrangling**

Data Wrangling is a process of cleaning messy and complex data sets ready for Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA).

First step is to calculate the number of launches per site, then calculate the amount of mission outcome per orbit type, labeling a landing outcome from the outcome column and export the result to a

CSV



#### **EDA** with Data Visualization

Scatter Graphs being drawn:

Flight Number VS. Payload Mass

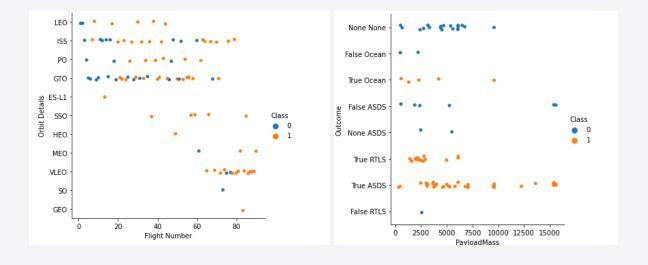
Flight Number VS. Launch Site

Payload VS. Launch Site

Orbit VS. Flight Number

Payload VS. Orbit Type

Orbit VS. Payload Mass



Scatter plots show how much one variable is affected by another. The relationship between two variables is called their correlation. Scatter plots usually consist of a large body of data.

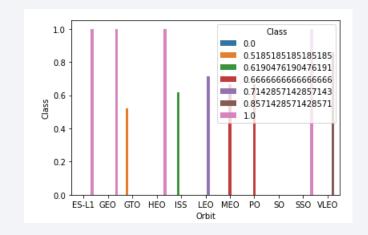
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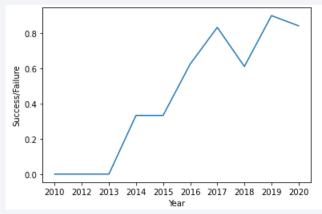
Bar Graph being drawn:

Mean VS. Orbit

Line Graph being drawn:

Success Rate VS. Year





Line graphs are useful in that they show data variables and trends very clearly and can help to make predictions about the results of data not yet recorded

### **EDA** with **SQL**

- Displaying the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission
- Displaying 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'KSC'
- Displaying the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS)
- Displaying average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1
- Listing the date where the successful landing outcome in drone ship was achieved.
- Listing the names of the boosters which have success in ground pad and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000
- Listing the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes
- Listing the names of the booster\_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass.
- Listing the records which will display the month names, successful landing\_outcomes in ground pad, booster versions, launch\_site for the months in year 2017
- Ranking the count of successful landing\_outcomes between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20 in descending order.

### Build an Interactive Map with Folium

To visualize the Launch Data into an interactive map. We took the Latitude and Longitude Coordinates at each launch site and added a Circle Marker around each launch site with a label of the name of the launch site.

We assigned the dataframe launch\_outcomes(failures, successes) to classes 0 and 1 with Green and Red markers on the map in a MarkerCluster().

We then used the Haversine's formula to calculated the distance of the launch sites to landmarks

# Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

Using Plotly Dash we created an interactive dashboard app. It allows users to play around with the date.

Created a Pie Chart showing the total launches by a certain site/all sites

Created a plotted scatter graph showing the relationship with Outcome and

Payload Mass (Kg) for the different booster version.

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

#### **BUILDING MODEL**

Load our dataset into NumPy and Pandas

Transform Data

Split our data into training and test data sets

Check how many test samples we have

Decide which type of machine learning algorithms we want to use

Set our parameters and algorithms to GridSearchCV

Fit our datasets into the GridSearchCV objects and train our dataset.

#### **EVALUATING MODEL**

Check accuracy for each model

Get tuned hyperparameters for each type of algorithms

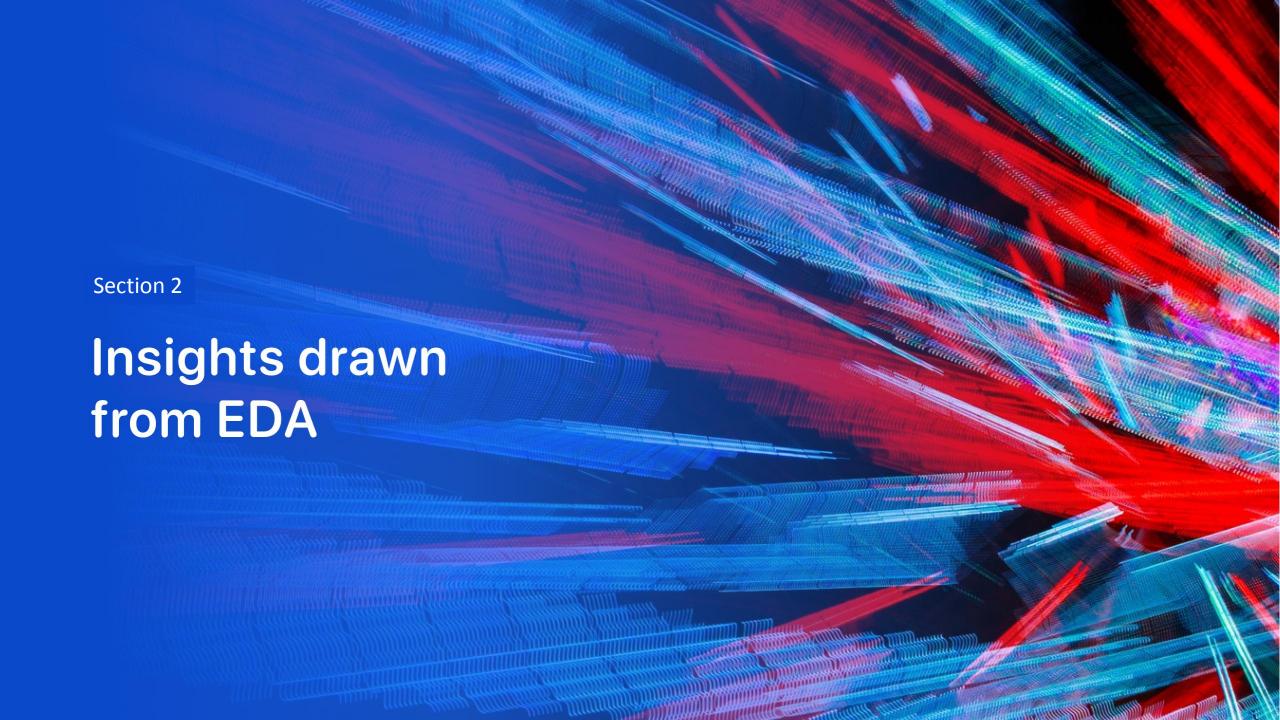
Plot Confusion Matrix

IMPROVING MODEL Feature Engineering Algorithm Tuning

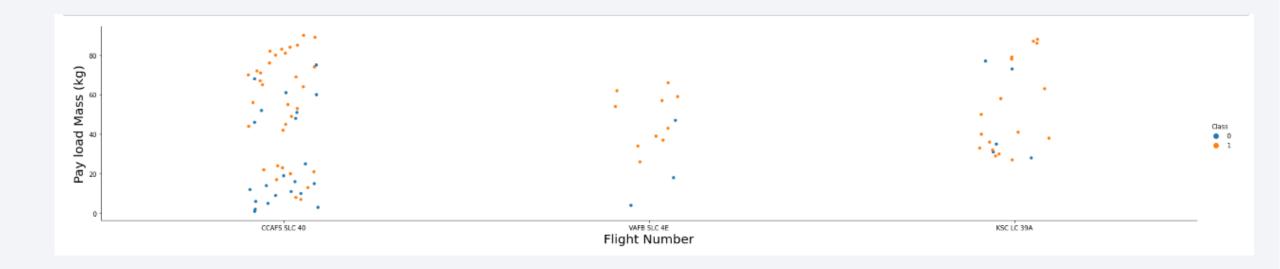
FINDING THE BEST PERFORMING CLASSIFICATION MODEL
The model with the best accuracy score wins the best
performing model
In the notebook there is a dictionary of algorithms with scores
at the bottom of the notebook.

### Results

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

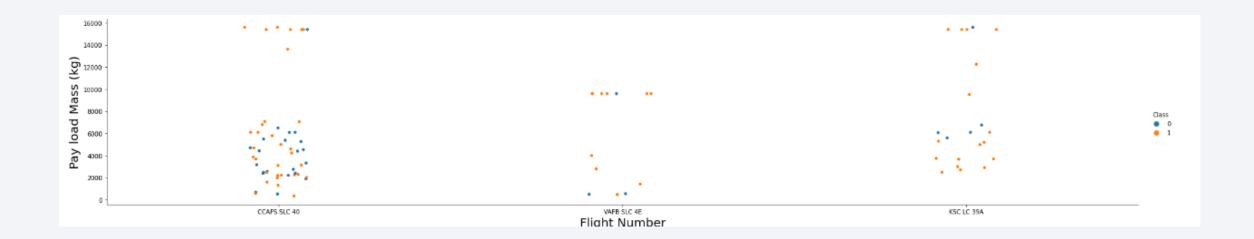


# Flight Number vs. Launch Site



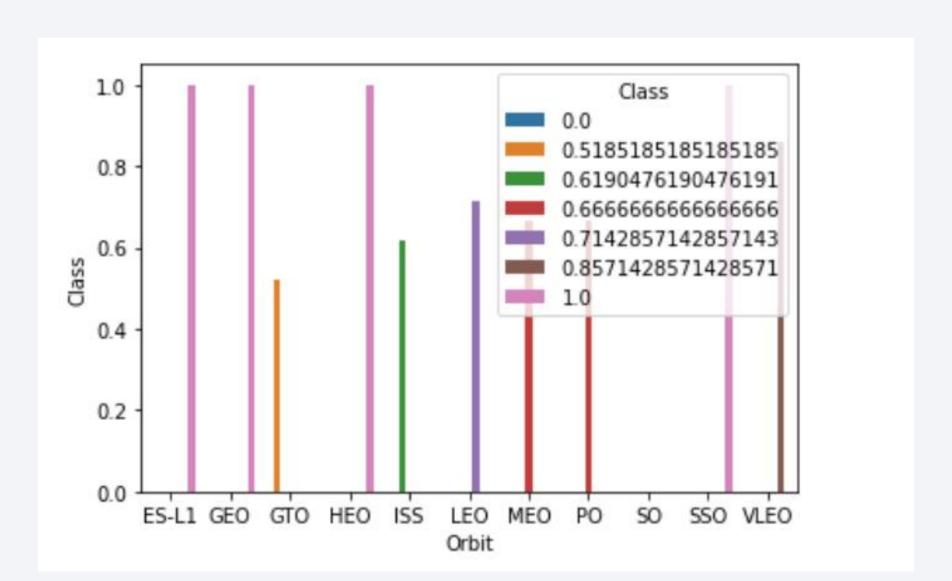
• The graph shows the more amount of flights at a launch site the greater the success rate at a launch site.

# Payload vs. Launch Site

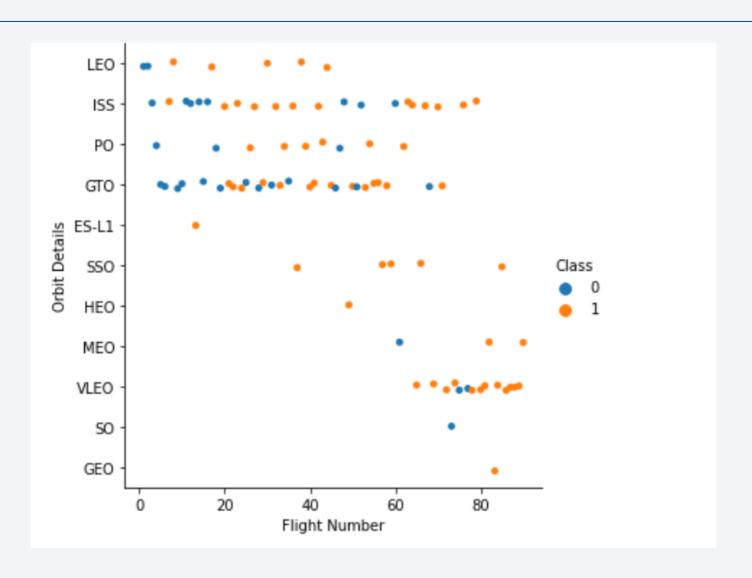


The greater the payload mass for Launch Site CCAFS SLC 40 the higher the success rate for the Rocket.

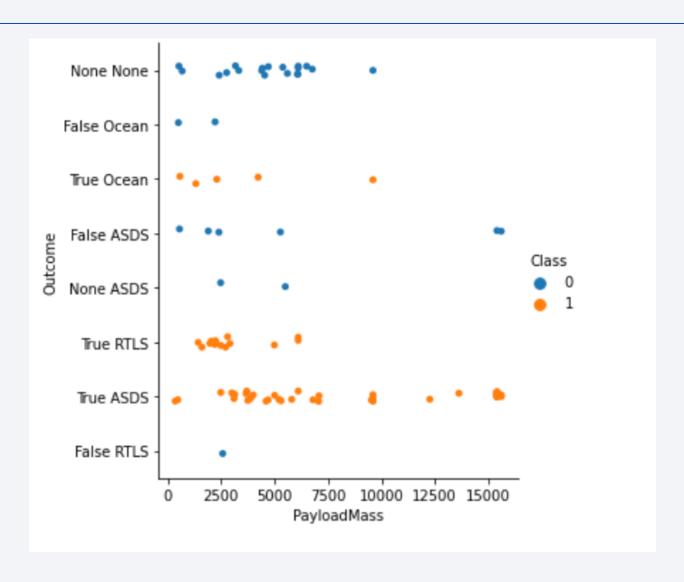
# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type



# Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

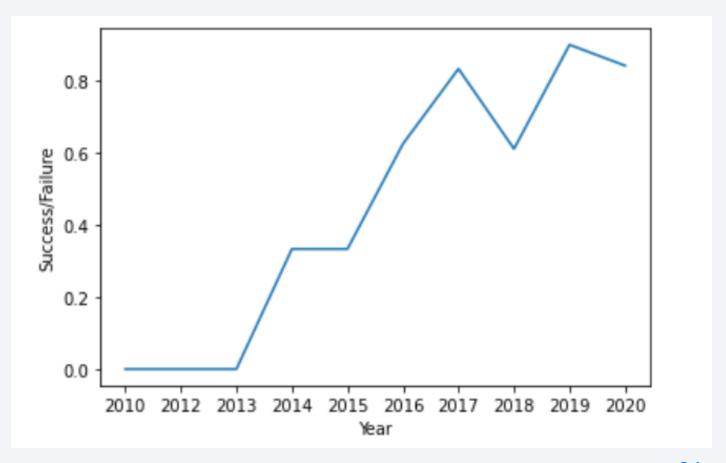


# Payload vs. Orbit Type



# Launch Success Yearly Trend

As we can see success rate since 2013 kept increasing till 2020



#### All Launch Site Names

We used the following SQL query to get all launch site names:

%sql SELECT DISTINCT LAUNCH\_SITE as "Launch\_Sites" FROM SPACEXDATASET;

Launch\_Sites

CCAFS LC-40

CCAFS SLC-40

KSC LC-39A

VAFB SLC-4E

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'KSC'

We use the following query to gather 5 sites beginning with KSC

%sql SELECT LAUNCH\_SITE FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE LAUNCH\_SITE LIKE 'KSC%' LIMIT 5;

#### launch\_site

KSC LC-39A

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# **Total Payload Mass**

We Calculate the total payload carried by boosters from NASA with the following Query:

```
%sql select sum(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) as payloadmass from SPACEXDATASET;
payloadmass
619967
```

# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

Average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

```
%sql select avg(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) as payloadmass from SPACEXDATASET;
```

#### payloadmass

6138

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

We get the first successful date by using the min date

%sql select min(DATE) from SPACEXDATASET;

1
2010-06-04

#### Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

%sql select BOOSTER\_VERSION from SPACEXDATASET where LANDING\_\_OUTCOME='Success (drone ship)' and PAYLO AD\_MASS\_\_KG\_ BETWEEN 4000 and 6000;

#### booster\_version

F9 FT B1022

F9 FT B1026

F9 FT B1021.2

F9 FT B1031.2

#### Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

%sql select count(MISSION\_OUTCOME) as missionoutcomes from SPACEXDATASET GROUP BY MISSION\_OUTCOME;

#### missionoutcomes

1

99

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# **Boosters Carried Maximum Payload**

%sql select BOOSTER\_VERSION as boosterversion from SPACEXDATASET where PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_=(select max(P AYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_) from SPACEXDATASET);

#### boosterversion

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

%sql SELECT MONTH(DATE),MISSION\_OUTCOME,BOOSTER\_VERSION,LAUNCH\_SITE FROM SPACEXDATASET where EXTRACT(YEAR FROM DATE)='2017' AND \
MISSION\_OUTCOME = 'Success';

Here the SQL query will display the month names, successful landing\_outcomes in ground pad ,booster versions, launch\_site for the months in year 2017

1	mission_outcome	booster_version	launch_site
1	Success	F9 FT B1029.1	VAFB SLC-4E
2	Success	F9 FT B1031.1	KSC LC-39A
3	Success	F9 FT B1030	KSC LC-39A
3	Success	F9 FT B1021.2	KSC LC-39A
5	Success	F9 FT B1032.1	KSC LC-39A
5	Success	F9 FT B1034	KSC LC-39A
6	Success	F9 FT B1035.1	KSC LC-39A
6	Success	F9 FT B1029.2	KSC LC-39A
6	Success	F9 FT B1036.1	VAFB SLC-4E
7	Success	F9 FT B1037	KSC LC-39A
8	Success	F9 B4 B1039.1	KSC LC-39A
8	Success	F9 FT B1038.1	VAFB SLC-4E
9	Success	F9 B4 B1040.1	KSC LC-39A
10	Success	F9 B4 B1041.1	VAFB SLC-4E
10	Success	F9 FT B1031.2	KSC LC-39A
10	Success	F9 B4 B1042.1	KSC LC-39A
12	Success	F9 FT B1035.2	CCAFS SLC-40
12	Success	F9 FT B1036.2	VAFB SLC-4E

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

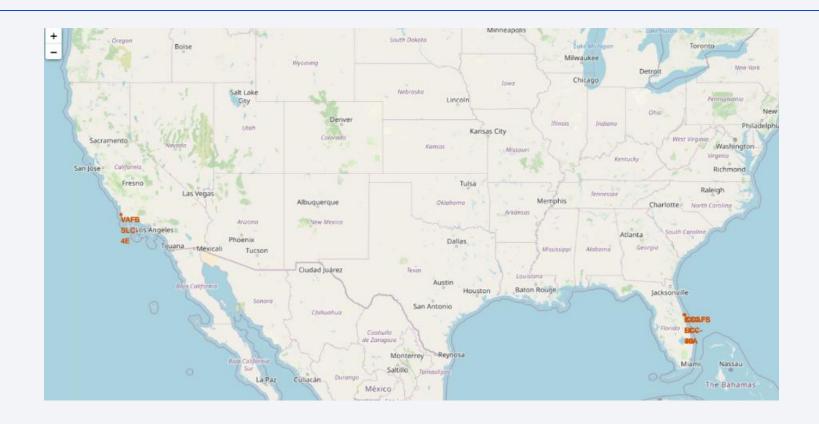
sql SELECT LANDING\_OUTCOME FROM SPACEXDATASET WHERE DATE BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20' ORDER BY DATE DESC;

This query will rank the count of successful landing\_outcomes between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20 in descending order

landing\_\_outcome No attempt Success (ground pad) Success (drone ship) Success (drone ship) Success (ground pad) Failure (drone ship) Success (drone ship) Success (drone ship) Success (drone ship) Failure (drone ship) Failure (drone ship) Success (ground pad) Precluded (drone ship) No attempt Failure (drone ship) No attempt Controlled (ocean) Failure (drone ship) Uncontrolled (ocean) No attempt No attempt Controlled (ocean) Controlled (ocean) No attempt No attempt Uncontrolled (ocean) No attempt No attempt No attempt Failure (parachute) Failure (parachute)

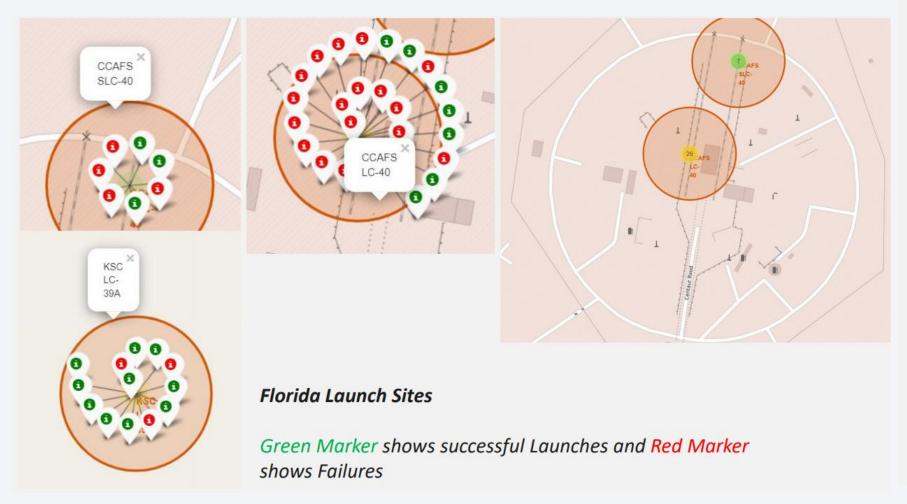


### **Location of Launch Sites**



Our Map shows the locations of the launch sites in USA

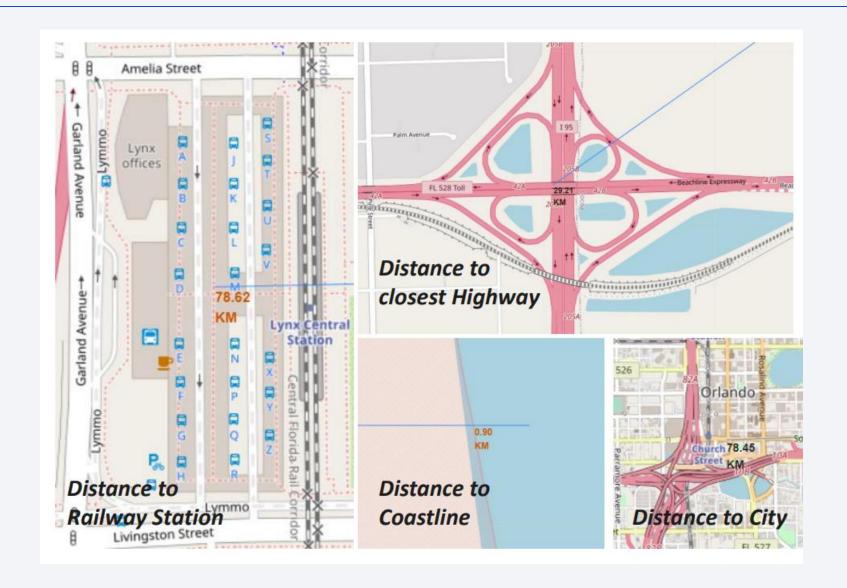
### Colour Labelled Markers

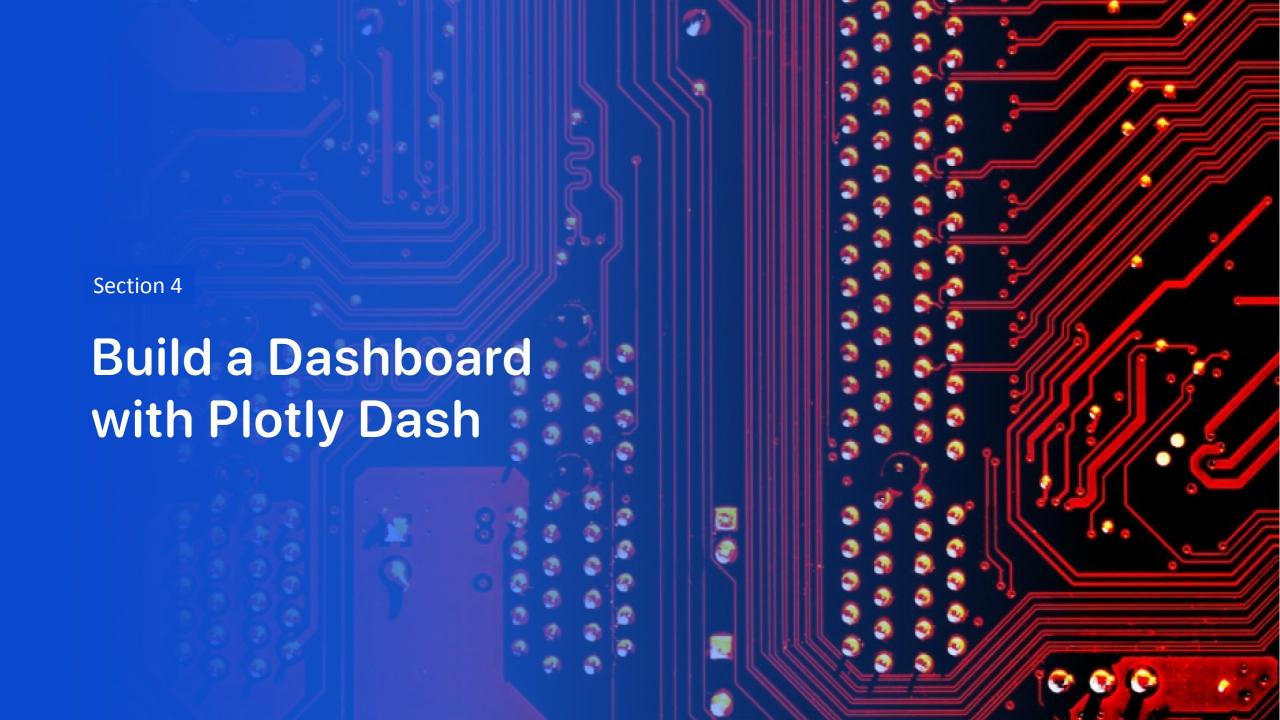




California Launch Site

### Launch Sites Distance from Landmarks

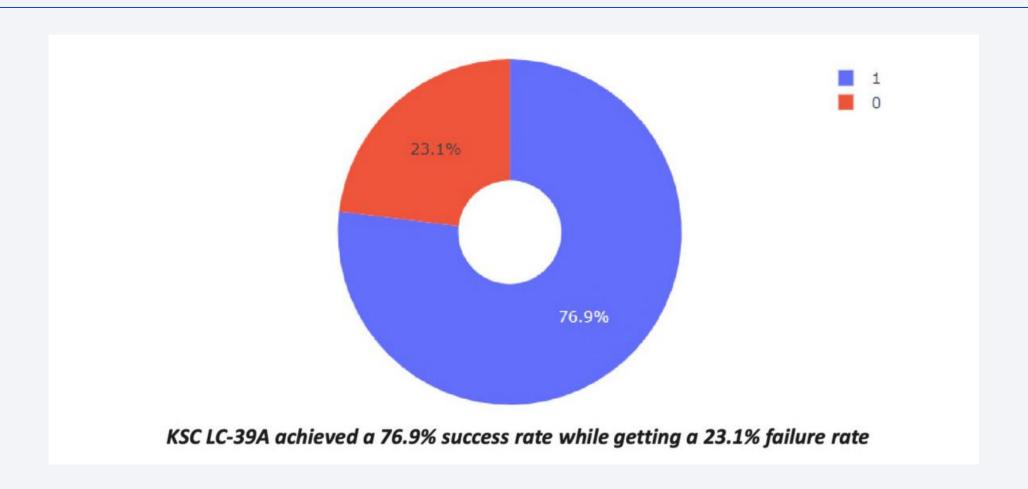




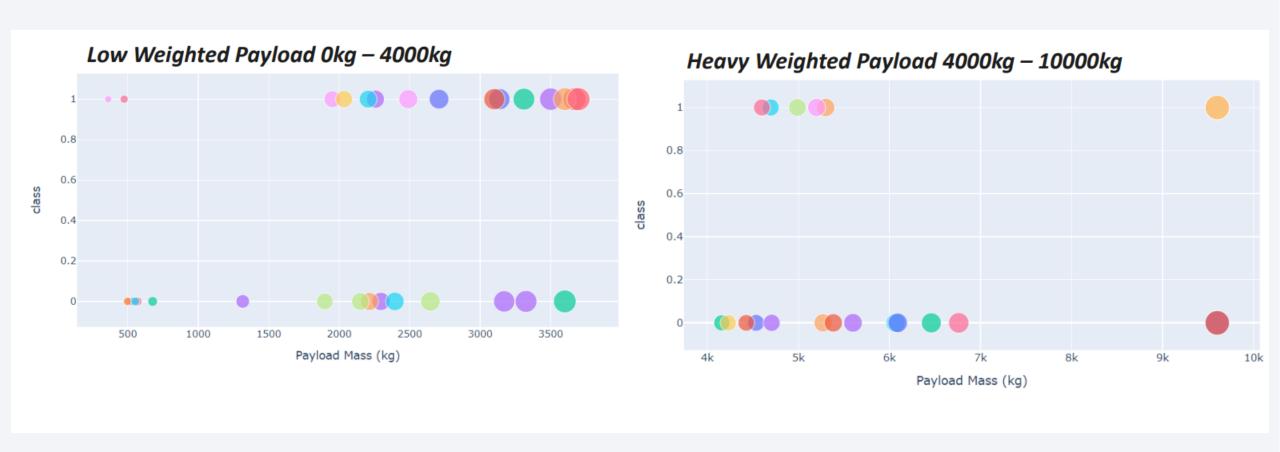
# Total Success Launches % per site



# Site with highest launch success



### Payload vs. Launch Outcome Scatter Plott for all sites





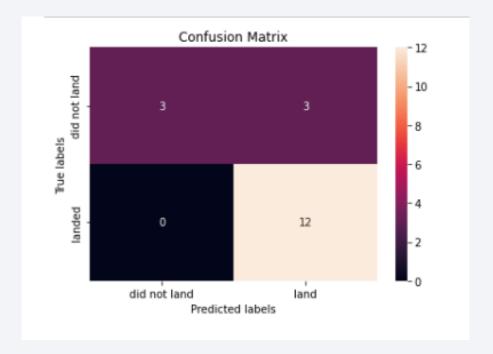
# Classification Accuracy

```
algorithms = {'KNN':knn_cv.best_score_,'Tree':tree_cv.best_score_,'LogisticRegression':logreg_cv.best_score_}
bestalgorithm = max(algorithms, key=algorithms.get)
print('Best Algorithm is',bestalgorithm,'with a score of',algorithms[bestalgorithm])
if bestalgorithm == 'Tree':
    print('Best Params is :',tree_cv.best_params_)
if bestalgorithm == 'KNN':
    print('Best Params is :',knn_cv.best_params_)
if bestalgorithm == 'LogisticRegression':
    print('Best Params is :',logreg_cv.best_params_)
Best Algorithm is Tree with a score of 0.875
Best Params is : {'criterion': 'gini', 'max_depth': 4, 'max_features': 'auto', 'min_samples_leaf': 2, 'min_samples_split': 2, 's
plitter': 'random'}
```

We can see from the above code that we were able to identify that the best algorithm to be the Tree Algorithm which have the highest classification accuracy.

### **Confusion Matrix**

Examining the confusion matrix, we see that Tree can distinguish between the different classes.



#### Conclusions

#### So to conclude:

- The Tree Classifier Algorithm is the best Machine Learning approach for this dataset.
- The low weighted payloads (which define as 4000kg and below) performed better than the heavy weighted payloads.
- The success rate for SpaceX launches is increased, directly proportional time in years to 2020, which it will eventually perfect the launches in the future.
- KSC LC-39A have the most successful launches of any sites;

