

Winning Space Race with Data Science

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Executive Summary

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Introduction

- Project background and context
 - The commercial space age is making space travel more accessible, with companies like SpaceX leading the way. SpaceX's success is largely due to its ability to reuse the first stage of its Falcon 9 rocket, significantly reducing launch costs. To compete, Space Y needs to analyze SpaceX's data to predict launch costs and the likelihood of reusing the first stage.
- Problems you want to find answers
 - Cost Prediction: Estimate the price of a Falcon 9 launch.
 - Reuse Prediction: Predict if the first stage will land and be reused.
 - Launch Success: Identify key factors for successful launches.
 - Competitive Analysis: Compare Space Y's potential with SpaceX's performance.



Methodology

Executive Summary

- Data collection methodology:
 - Data was collected using SpaceX API and web scraping
- Perform data wrangling
 - One-hot encoding was applied to categorical features
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using SQL and data visualization
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis with Machine Learning (ML)
 - How to build, tune and evaluate classification models

Data Collection

- Data collection was done using get request to the SpaceX API
- The response content was decoded as a Json using .json() function call and turnned it into a pandas dataframe using .json_normalize()
- Data was cleaned, missing values were checked and filled where necessary
- Web scraping was performed for Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup.
- Main objective: extract the launch records as HTML table, parse the table and convert it to a pandas dataframe for future analysis.

Data Collection - SpaceX API

- The get request to the SpaceX API to collect data was used, cleanned the requested data and did some basic data wrangling and formatting
- Link to the notebook:
 https://github.com/sararsampaio/te
 strepo/blob/main/jupyter-labs spacex-data-collection-api.ipynb

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# Takes the dataset and uses the cores column to call the API and append the data to the lists
            def getCoreData(data):
                for core in data['cores']:
                        if core['core'] != None:
                            response = requests.get("https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/cores/"+core['core']).json()
                            Block.append(response['block'])
                            ReusedCount.append(response['reuse_count'])
                            Serial.append(response['serial'])
                            Block.append(None)
                            ReusedCount.append(None)
                            Serial.append(None)
                        Outcome.append(str(core['landing_success'])+' '+str(core['landing_type']))
                        Flights.append(core['flight'])
                        GridFins.append(core['gridfins'])
                        Reused.append(core['reused'])
                        Legs.append(core['legs'])
                        LandingPad.append(core['landpad'])
           Now let's start requesting rocket launch data from SpaceX API with the following URL:
            spacex url="https://api.spacexdata.com/v4/launches/past"
            response = requests.get(spacex url)
          static json url='https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBM-DS0321EN-SkillsNetwork/datasets/A
          We should see that the request was successfull with the 200 status response code
In [10]:
          response.status code
Out[10]: 200
         Now we decode the response content as a Json using .json() and turn it into a Pandas dataframe using .json normalize()
          # Use json normalize meethod to convert the json result into a dataframe
          # Decode the JSON response content
          json_data = response.json()
          # Convert the JSON data into a Pandas DataFrame
          data = pd.json_normalize(json_data)
          # Display the first few rows of the DataFrame
          print(data.head())
```

Data Collection - Scraping

- Web scrapping was applied to webscrap Falcon 9 launch records with BeautifulSoup
- The table was parsed and converted it into a pandas dataframe.
- Link to the notebook:
 https://github.com/sararsam
 paio/testrepo/blob/main/jupy
 ter-labs-webscraping.ipynb

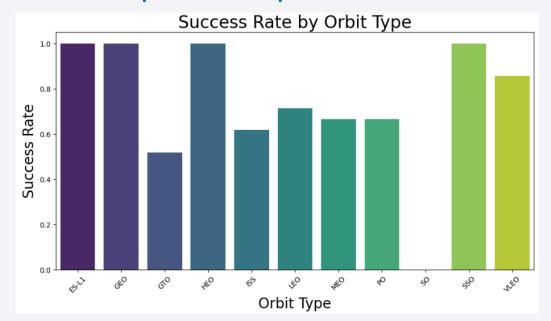
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First, let's perform an HTTP GET method to request the Falcon9 Launch HTML page, as an HTTP response.
  # use requests.get() method with the provided static url
  response = requests.get(static url)
  # assign the response to a object
  soup = BeautifulSoup(response.text, 'html.parser')
 Create a BeautifulSoup object from the HTML response
  # Use BeautifulSoup() to create a BeautifulSoup object from a response text content
  soup = BeautifulSoup(response.text, 'html.parser')
 Print the page title to verify if the BeautifulSoup object was created properly
  # Use soup.title attribute
  print(soup.title)
<title>List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches - Wikipedia</title>
 df= pd.DataFrame({ key:pd.Series(value) for key, value in launch dict.items() })
```

Data Wrangling

- Exploratory data analysis was performed and the training labels were determined
- The number of launches at each site and the number and occurrence of each orbits was calculated
- The landing outcome label was created from outcome column and the results were exported to csv
- Link to the notebook: <u>https://github.com/sararsampaio/testrepo/blob/main/labs-jupyter-spacex-Data%20wrangling.ipynb</u>

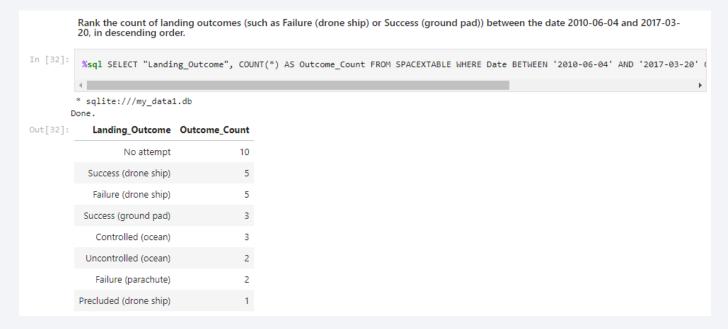
EDA with Data Visualization

- The data was explored by visualizing the relationship between flight number and launch Site, payload and launch site, success rate of each orbit type, flight number and orbit type, the launch success yearly trend
- Link to the notebook: https://github.com/sararsampaio/testrepo/blob/main/edadataviz.ipynb



EDA with SQL

- The SpaceX dataset was loaded and the connection was established with the database
- EDA was applied using SQL to get more information from the data



The link to the notebook is:

https://github.com/sararsampaio/testrepo/blob/main/jupyter-labs-eda-sql-coursera_sqllite.ipynb

Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- All launch sites were added to the map, as well markers, circles, lines to mark the success or failure of launches for each site on the folium map
- The launch outcomes (failure or success) were assigned to class 0 and 1 (0 for failure, and 1 for success)
- The launch sites that have relatively high success rate were assigned using colorlabeled marker clusters
- The distances between a launch site to its proximities were calculated
- Link to notebook:
 https://github.com/sararsampaio/testrepo/blob/main/lab_jupyter_launch_site_location.ipynb

Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- An interactive dashboard with Plotly dash was built
- Pie charts were plotted showing the total launches by a certain sites
- Scatter plot graphs were plotted showing the relationship with Outcome and Payload Mass (Kg) for the different booster version
- Link to notebook:
 https://github.com/sararsampaio/testrepo/blob/main/spacex_dash_app.py

Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- Data was loaded using numpy and pandas, transformed, and then data was split into training and testing
- Different machine learning models were built and different hyperparameters were tunned using GridSearchCV
- Accuracy was the metric used for this model and the model was improved using feature engineering and algorithm tunning
- The best performing classification model was found
- Link to notebook:
 <u>https://github.com/sararsampaio/testrepo/blob/main/SpaceX_Machine%20Learning%20Prediction_Part_5.ipynb</u>

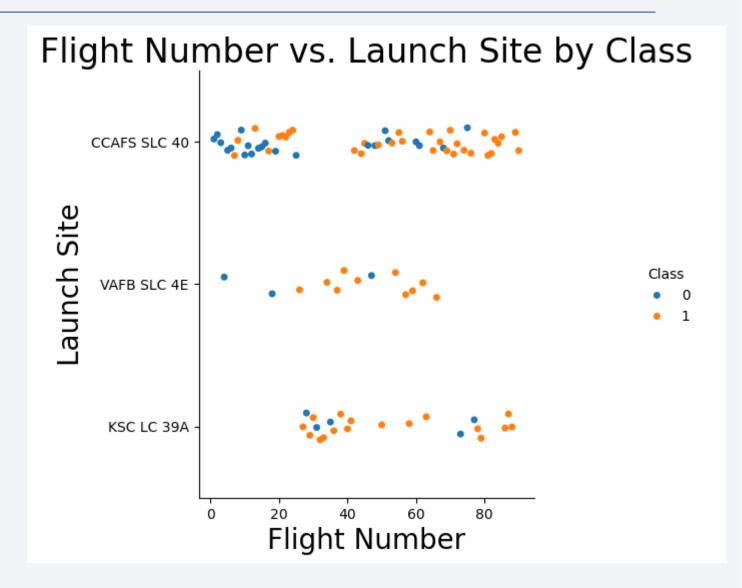
Results

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



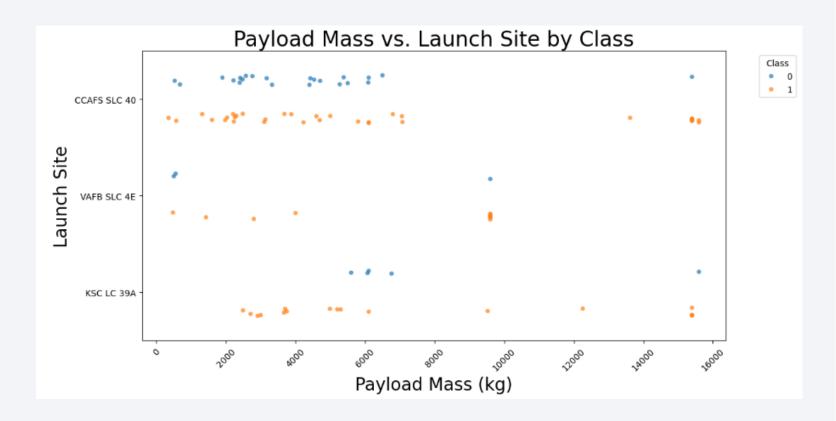
Flight Number vs. Launch Site

 The larger the flight numbers at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site



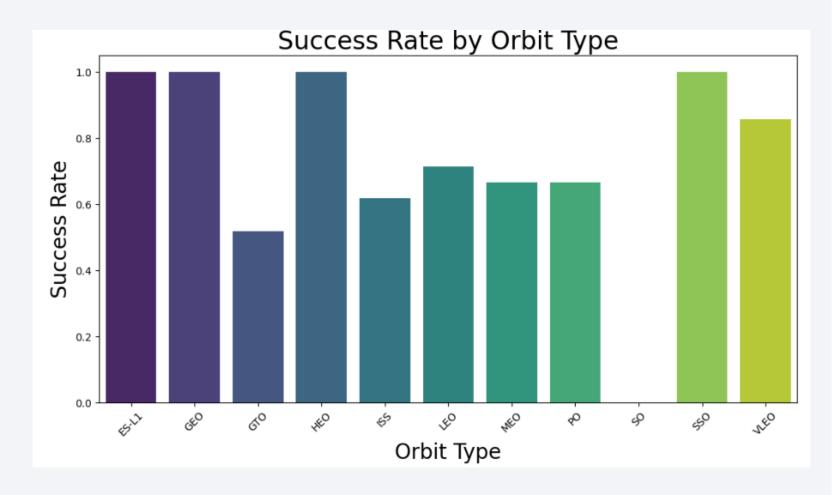
Payload vs. Launch Site

 The launch sites with higher payload mass are CCAF5 SLC 40 and KSC LC 39A



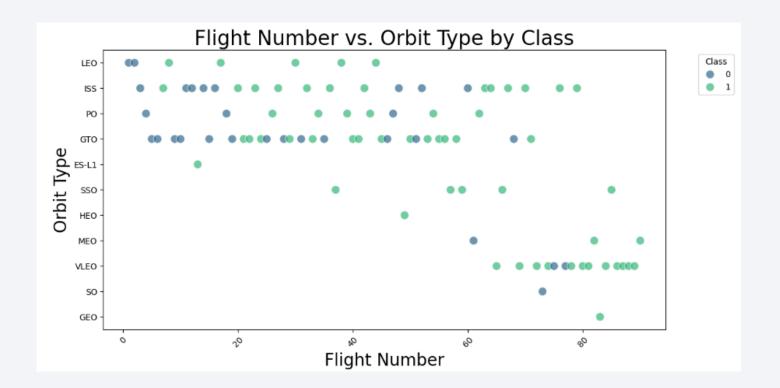
Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

• The ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO are the orbit types with 100% success rate



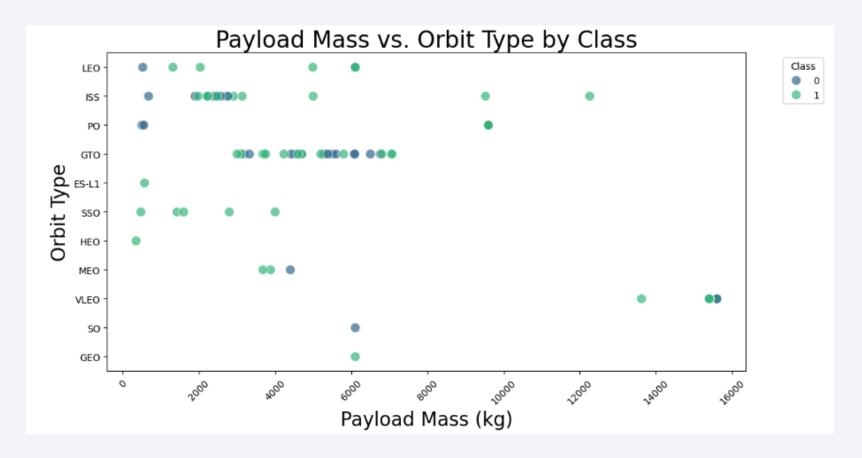
Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

• ISS and VLEO are the orbit types with higher flight numbers and seem to be the ones with higher success. On the other hand, the GTO orbit type appears to not have any relationship between flight number and success



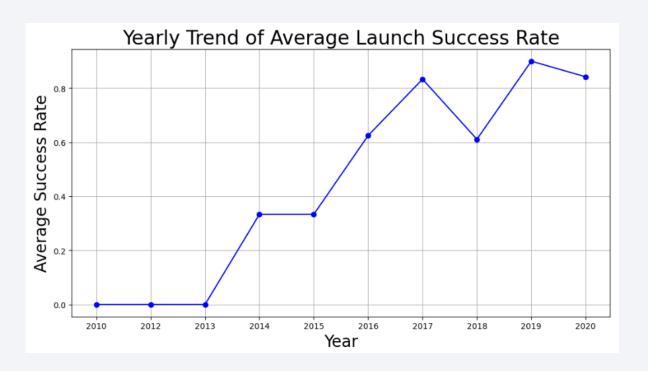
Payload vs. Orbit Type

 With heavy payloads the successful landing or positive landing rate are more for PO, LEO and ISS. However, for GTO, it's difficult to distinguish between successful and unsuccessful landings as both outcomes are present



Launch Success Yearly Trend

 The success rate since 2013 kept increasing till 2020

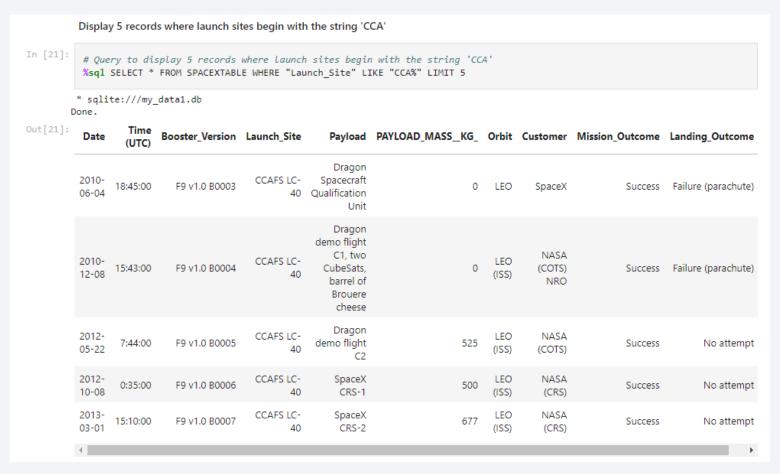


All Launch Site Names

 DISTINCT was used to show only unique launch sites from the SpaceX data.

Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

 The presented query was used to display 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`



Total Payload Mass

• The total payload mass carried by boosters from NASA (48213Kg) was calculated using the query below:

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

In [18]: # Connect to the SQLite database con = sqlite3.connect("my_data1.db") cur = con.cursor()

%sql SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) AS Total_Payload_Mass FROM SPACEXTABLE WHERE "Customer" LIKE '%NASA (CRS)%';

* sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.

Out[18]: Total_Payload_Mass

48213
```

Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

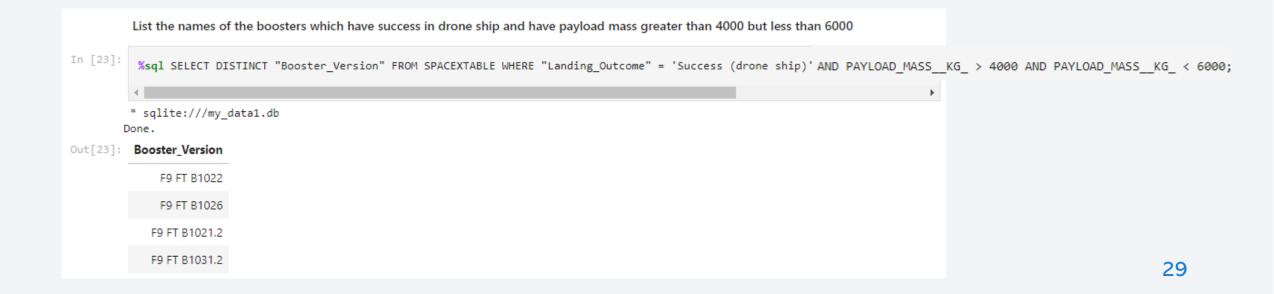
• The average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1 (2928.4 Kg) was calculated using the query below:

First Successful Ground Landing Date

The dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad was 22nd
 December 2015

Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

 The WHERE clause was used to filter for boosters which have successfully landed on drone ship and applied the AND condition to determine successful landing with payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000



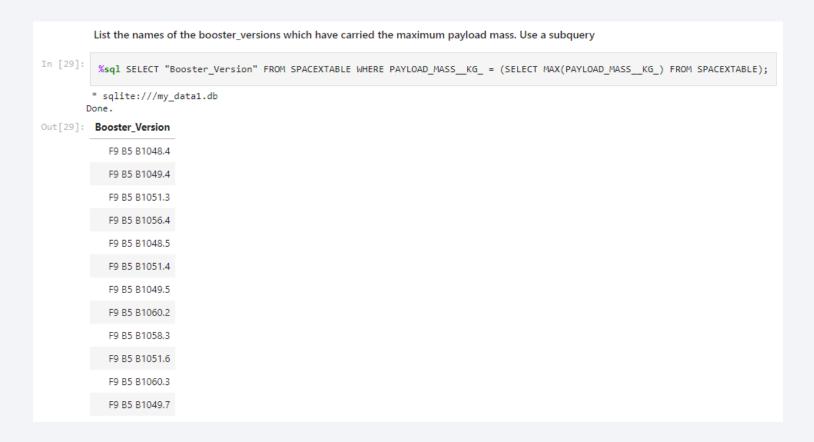
Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

 COUNT was used to count all mission outcomes and GROUP BY to group them by Mission_Outcome. In total we have 1 failure and 100 successful missions

In [24]:	List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes		
	<pre>%sql SELECT "Mission_Outcome", COUNT(*) AS Total FROM SPACEXTABLE GROUP BY "Mission_Outcome";</pre>		
	* sqlite:///my_data1.db Done.		
Out[24]:	Mission_Outcome	Total	
	Failure (in flight)	1	
	Success	98	
	Success	1	
	Success (payload status unclear)	1	

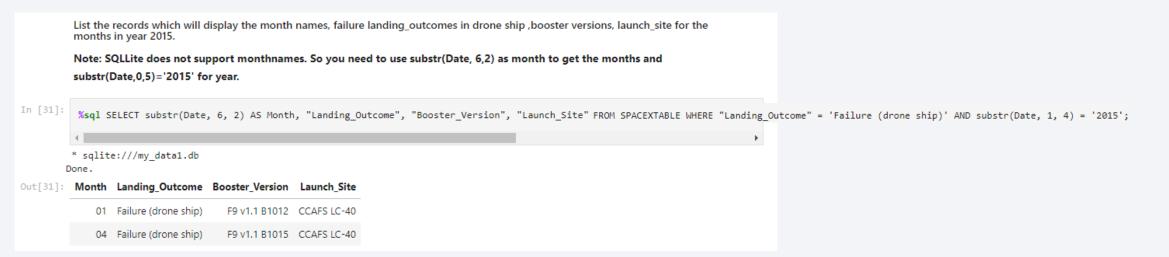
Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

 The booster that have carried the maximum payload was determined using a subquery in the WHERE clause and the MAX() function



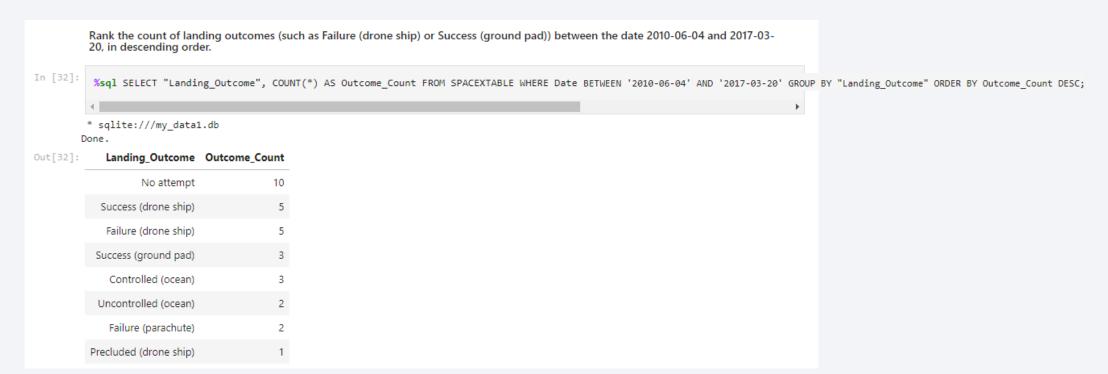
2015 Launch Records

 A combination of the WHERE clause, AND, and substr conditions to filter for failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for year 2015



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

 There was a COUNT of landing outcomes from the data and the WHERE clause was used to filter for landing outcomes BETWEEN 2010-06-04 to 2010-03-20. The GROUP BY clause was used to group the landing outcomes and the ORDER BY clause to order the grouped landing outcome in descending order



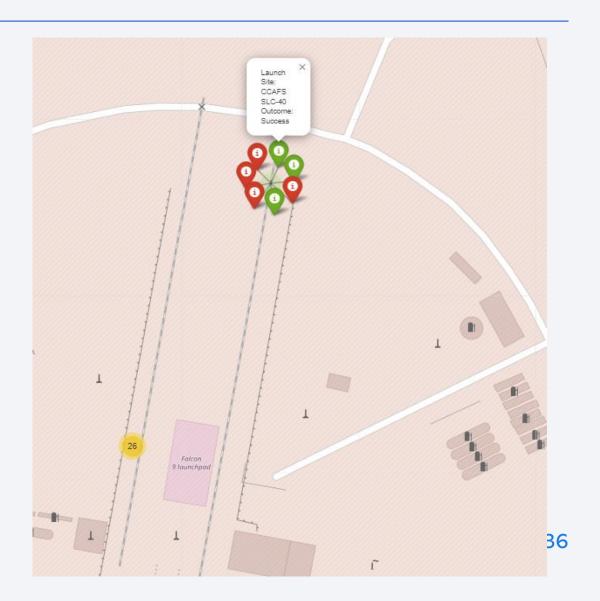


<Folium Map Screenshot 1>



<Folium Map Screenshot 2>

 Mas showing Florida launch sites. Green markers are successful launches, and the red ones are failures.



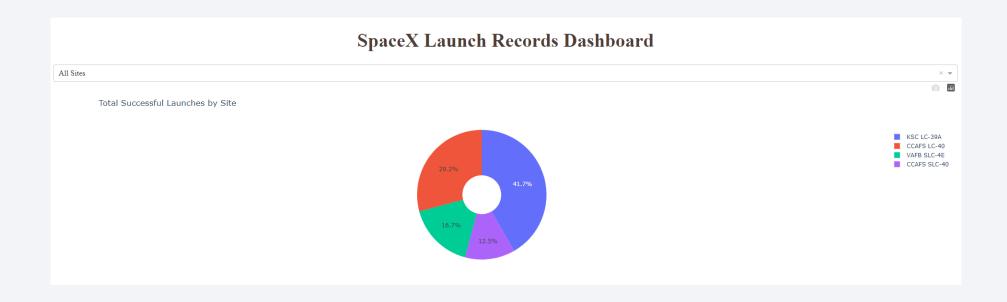
<Folium Map Screenshot 3>

 Map showing the lines between the launch site and each point of interest, in Florida. Red line means distance to city; green distance to railway; blue distance to highway



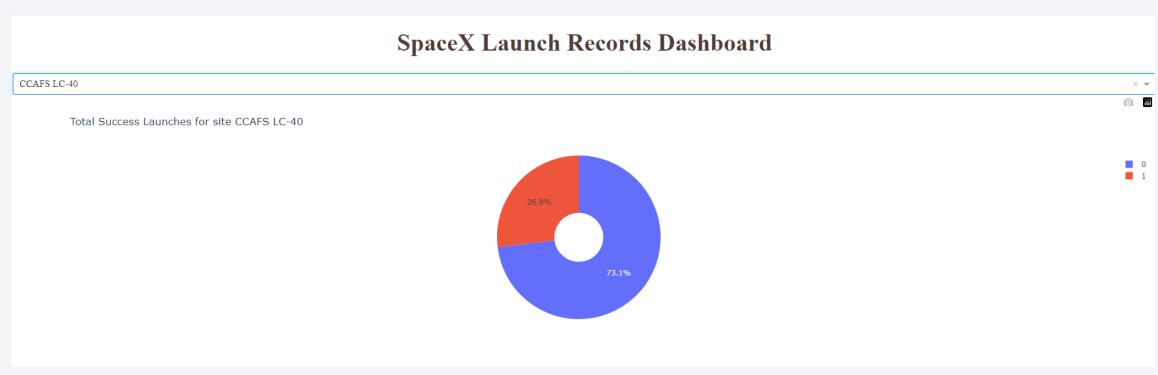


< Dashboard Screenshot 1>



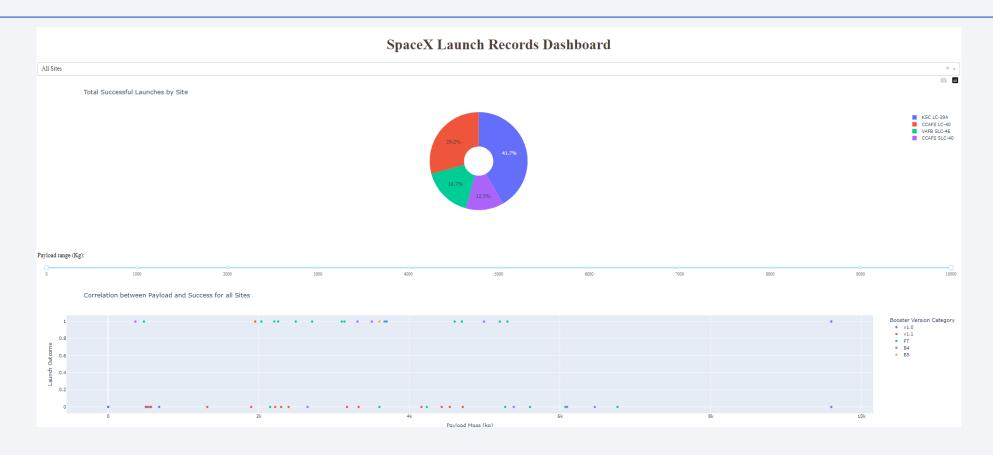
 The figure shows that KSC LC-39A has the most successful lunches from all sites

< Dashboard Screenshot 2>



• The figure shows that CCAFS LC-40 has a total success rate of 73.1% and 26.9% of failure rate

< Dashboard Screenshot 3>



• The figure shows the total successful lauches by site for all sites. FT is the booster version with highest successful launch outcomes and B4 the version with highest payload mass for both launch outcomes

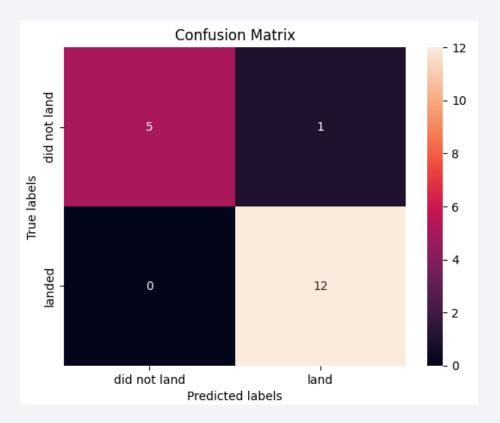


Classification Accuracy

• The best model with the highest classification accuracy is the decision tree model

Confusion Matrix

• The figure shows the confusion matrix for the decision tree. This classifier can distinguish between the different classes.



Conclusions

- The higher the flight number at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site.
- Launch success rate started to increase in 2013 untill 2020.
- The ES-L1, GEO, HEO and SSO orbits had the most success rate (100%).
- KSC LC-39A had the most successful launches from all sites.
- The Decision tree classifier is the best machine learning algorithm for this task.

