

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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### **Executive Summary**

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- SpaceX Machine Learning Landing Prediction

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- EDA results
- Interactive Visual Analytics and Dashboards
- Predictive Analysis(Classification)

### Introduction



#### Context

SpaceX promotes Falcon 9 rocket launches for 62 million dollars; other suppliers charge upwards of 165 million dollars for each launch. A large portion of the savings is due to SpaceX's ability to reuse the first stage. Therefore, if we can figure out if the first stage will land, we can figure out how much a launch will cost. If another business wishes to submit a bid for a rocket launch against SpaceX, it may do so using this information.

#### **Objective:**

Using information from Falcon 9 rocket launches that were publicized on the company website, we will forecast whether the Falcon 9 first stage will successfully land in this location.



# 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**

Data was initially gathered by sending a get request to the SpaceX API, a RESTful API, using the SpaceX API. In order to accomplish this, a series of helper functions that would aid in the use of the API to extract information utilizing identifying numbers in the launch data were first defined. Following that, the SpaceX API url was requested to obtain rocket launch data.

The SpaceX launch data was finally requested and parsed via the GET request, and the return content was then decoded as a JSON result before being turned into a Pandas data frame. This was done to improve the consistency of the requested JSON results.

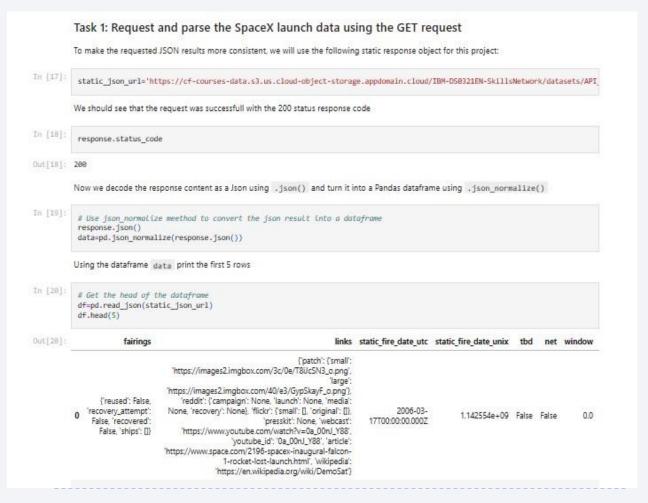
Additionally, web scraping was done to get past Falcon 9 launch data from a Wikipedia page named "List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches," where the data is saved in HTML. I parsed the table and transformed it into a Pandas data frame using BeautifulSoup and request Libraries to extract the Falcon 9 launch HTML table records from the Wikipedia page.

### Data Collection - SpaceX API

The SpaceX API (a RESTful API) was used to collect the data. A GET request was made to the SpaceX API, which was used to request and parse the SpaceX launch data. The response content was decoded as a JSON result, and this was then turned into a Pandas data frame.

# Github link for the SpaceX API call Notebook

https://github.com/suryaprakash-09/ApplieddatascienceCapstoneproject/blob/a6e6 998b36bb0a8a54d4428cee14bd128e2050d5/1.SP ACEX-data-collection-api.ipynb



# **Data Collection - Scraping**

Web scraping was used to gather historical Falcon 9 launch data from Wikipedia using BeautifulSoup and a request. The historical Falcon 9 launch data were then extracted from the Wikipedia page's HTML table and converted into a data frame utilizing launch HTML parsing.

GitHub URL of the completed web scraping notebook

https://github.com/suryaprakash-09/ApplieddatascienceCapstoneproject /blob/a6e6998b36bb0a8a54d4428ce e14bd128e2050d5/2.SPACEXwebscraping.ipynb

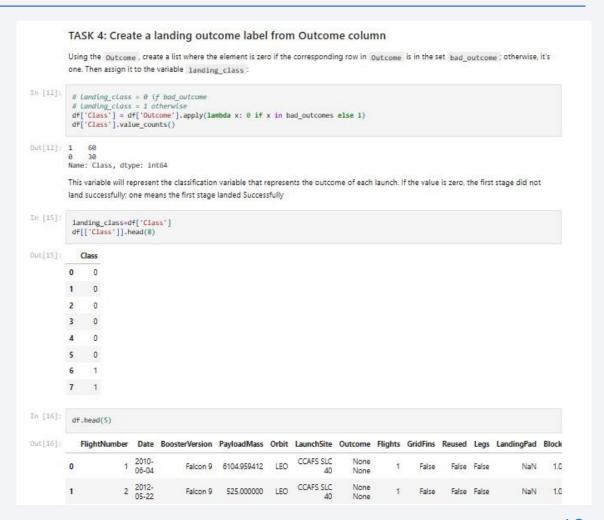
#### TASK 1: Request the Falcon9 Launch Wiki page from its URL First, let's perform an HTTP GET method to request the Falcon9 Launch HTML page, as an HTTP response, # use requests.get() method with the provided static\_url # assign the response to a object response = requests.get(static url) Create a BeautifulSoup object from the HTML response # Use BeautifulSoup() to create a BeautifulSoup object from a response text content soup = BeautifulSoup(response.content, 'html.parser' Print the page title to verify if the BeautifulSoup object was created properly # Use soup.title attribute Out[7]: <title>List of Falcon 9 and Falcon Heavy launches - Wikipedia</title> TASK 2: Extract all column/variable names from the HTML table header Next, we want to collect all relevant column names from the HTML table header Let's try to find all tables on the wiki page first. If you need to refresh your memory about BeautifulSoup, please check the external reference link towards the end of this lab # Use the find all function in the BeautifulSoup object, with element type 'table # Assign the result to a list called 'html tables html\_tables = soup.find\_all('table') Starting from the third table is our target table contains the actual launch records. # Let's print the third table and check its content first launch table = html tables[2] print(first\_launch\_table)

### **Data Wrangling**

Data was filtered using the BoosterVersion column to only keep the Falcon 9 launches after acquiring and generating a Pandas DF from the gathered information. Next, the missing data values in the LandingPad and PayloadMass columns were handled with. Missing data values for the PayloadMass were replaced with the column's mean value.

GitHub URL of completed data wrangling related notebooks

https://github.com/suryaprakash-09/ApplieddatascienceCapstoneproject/blob/a6 e6998b36bb0a8a54d4428cee14bd128e2050 d5/3.SPACEX-data\_wrangling.ipynb



### **EDA** with Data Visualization

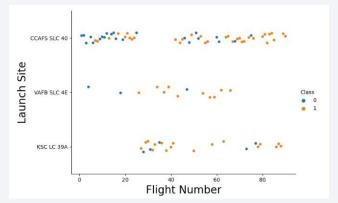
Performed data Analysis and Feature Engineering using Pandas and Matplotlib.

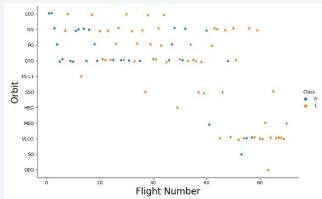
- Exploratory Data Analysis
- Preparing Data Feature Engineering

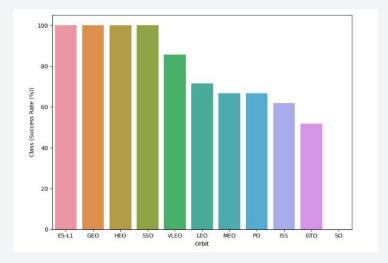
Used scatter plots to Visualize the relationship between Flight Number and Launch Site, Payload and Launch Site, Flight Number and Orbit type, Payload and Orbit type. Used Bar chart to Visualize the relationship between success rate of each orbit type. Line plot to Visualize the launch success yearly trend.

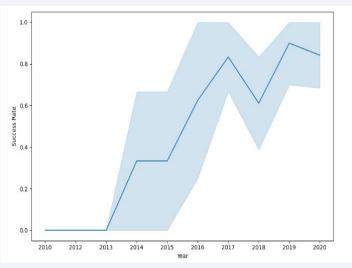
GitHub URL of completed EDA with data visualization notebook

https://github.com/suryaprakash-09/ApplieddatascienceCapstoneproject/blob/a6e6998b36bb 0a8a54d4428cee14bd128e2050d5/5.SPACEX-EDA-DataViz%20using%20pandas%20and%20matplotlib.ipynb









### **EDA** with SQL

The following SQL queries were performed for EDA

- 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 EDA with SQL
- 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 (%sql SELECT DISTINCT Booster\_Version, Payload FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "Landing \_Outcome" = "Success (drone ship)" AND PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_ > 4000 AND PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_ < 6000;)
- List the total number of successful and failure mission outcome

#### GitHub URL of your completed EDA with SQL notebook

### Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Developed a folium map to indicate each launch site, and created map items like markers, circles, and lines to show each launch site's success or failure with launches.
- The launch success rate may depend on many factors such as payload mass, orbit type, and so on. It may also depend on the location and proximities of a launch site, i.e., the initial position of rocket trajectories. Finding an optimal location for building a launch site certainly involves many factors and hopefully we could discover some of the factors by analyzing the existing launch site locations.
- In the previous exploratory data analysis labs, you have visualized the SpaceX launch dataset using matplotlib and seaborn and discovered some preliminary correlations between the launch site and success rates. In this lab, you will be performing more interactive visual analytics using Folium.

GitHub URL of your completed interactive map with Folium map

https://github.com/suryaprakash-09/ApplieddatascienceCapstoneproject/blob/a6e6998b36bb0a8a54d4428cee14bd128e2050d5/6.SPACEX-Launch%20site%20location%20using%20Folium.ipynb

### Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

Built an interactive dashboard application with Plotly dash by:

- Adding a Launch Site Drop-down Input Component.
- Adding a callback function to render success-pie-chart based on selected site dropdown.
- Adding a Range Slider to Select Payload.
- Adding a callback function to render the success-payload-scatter-chart scatter plot.

GitHub URL of your completed Plotly Dash lab.

https://github.com/suryaprakash-09/ApplieddatascienceCapstoneproject/blob/a6e6998b36bb0a8a54d4428cee14bd128e2050d5/7.SPAC EX-DASH%20with%20Plotly%20dash.py

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

In order to undertake exploratory data analysis and identify the training labels, loaded the data as a Pandas Data frame.

- Created a NumPy array from the column Class in the data using the method to numpy(), and I then assigned it to the variable Y as the outcome variable.
- After that, the feature dataset (x) was transformed using preprocessing to achieve standardization Sklearn's StandardScaler() function.
- Then, using the function train\_test\_split from sklearn.model\_selection and setting the test\_size and random\_state parameters to 0.2 and 2, the data were divided into training and testing sets.

GitHub URL of your completed predictive analysis lab

https://github.com/suryaprakash-09/ApplieddatascienceCapstoneproject/blob/a6e6998b36bb0a8a5 4d4428cee14bd128e2050d5/8.SPACEX-Machine%20Learning%20Prediction.ipynb

#### TASK 1 Create a NumPy array from the column Class in data, by applying the method to\_numpy() then assign it to the variable Y make sure the output is a Pandas series (only one bracket df['name of column']). In [8]: Y = data['Class'].to\_numpy() Out[8]: dtype('int64' TASK 2 Standardize the data in X then reassign it to the variable X using the transform provided below transform = preprocessing.StandardScaler() X = transform.fit transform(X) Out[9]: array([[-1.71291154e+00, -1.94814463e-16, -6.53912840e-01, ..., -8.35531692e-01, 1.93309133e+00, -1.93309133e+00], [-1.67441914e+00, -1.19523159e+00, -6.53912840e-01, ..., -8.35531692e-01, 1.93309133e+00, -1.93309133e+00], [-1.63592675e+00, -1.16267307e+00, -6.53912840e-01, ..., -8.35531692e-01, 1.93309133e+00, -1.93309133e+00), [ 1.63592675e+00, 1.99100483e+00, 3.49060516e+00, ..., 1.19684269e+00, -5.17306132e-01, 5.17306132e-01), [ 1.67441914e+00, 1.99100483e+00, 1.00389436e+00, ..., 1.19684269e+00, -5.17306132e-01, 5.17306132e-01], [ 1.71291154e+00, -5.19213966e-01, -6.53912840e-01, ..., -8.35531692e-01, -5.17306132e-01, 5.17306132e-01]]) We split the data into training and testing data using the function train\_test\_split . The training data is divided into validation data, a second set used for training data; then the models are trained and hyperparameters are selected using the function GridSearchCV TASK 3 Use the function train\_test\_split to split the data X and Y into training and test data. Set the parameter test\_size to 0.2 and random\_state to 2. The training data and test data should be assigned to the following labels. X train, X test, Y train, Y test X train, X test, Y train, Y test = train test split( X, Y, test\_size=0.2, random state=2)

# Predictive Analysis (Classification)

SVM, Classification Trees, k Nearest Neighbors, and Logistic Regression were tested against test data in order to determine which machine learning model or method performed the best.

- After making an object for each algorithm, construct a GridSearchCV object and give it a set of model-specific parameters.
- The GridsearchCV object was made for each of the models being evaluated with cv=10, and the training data for each model was then fitted into the GridSearch object to find the optimum hyperparameter.
- After each model was output as a GridSearchCV object after being fitted to the training set, the best parameters and accuracy on the validation data were reported using the data attributes best\_params\_ and best\_score\_, respectively.
- The accuracy on the test data for each model was then calculated using the method score, and a confussion matrix was generated for each using the test and projected outcomes.

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TASK 3
          Use the function train test split to split the data X and Y into training and test data. Set the parameter test size to 0.2 and random state to
          2. The training data and test data should be assigned to the following labels.
           X train, X test, Y train, Y test
            X train, X test, Y train, Y test = train test split( X, Y, test size=0.2, random state=2)
          we can see we only have 18 test samples.
In [11]: V test.shape
Out[11]: (18,)
          TASK 4
          Create a logistic regression object then create a GridSearchCV object. Togreg. cv. with cv = 10. Fit the object to find the best parameters
          from the dictionary parameters:
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            parameters =['C':[0.01,0.1,1],
                          penalty':['12'].
            parameters =["C":[0.01,0.1,1], 'penalty':['12'], 'solver':['10fgs']]# L1 Losso L2 ridge
            Ir-LogisticRegression()
            # Create a GridSearchCV object Lagrey cv
            logreg cv = GridSearchCV(lr, parameters, cv=18)
            #Fit the training data into the GridSearch object
            logreg cv.fit(X train, Y train)
Out[13]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, estimator=LogisticRegression(),
                        param grid-['C': [8.81, 8.1, 1], 'penalty': ['12'],
          We output the GridSearchev object for logistic regression. We display the best parameters using the data attribute best garans and
          the accuracy on the validation data using the data attribute best score
            print("tuned hyperparameters :(best parameters) ",logreg cv.best params )
            print("accuracy :",logreg cv.best score )
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### Results

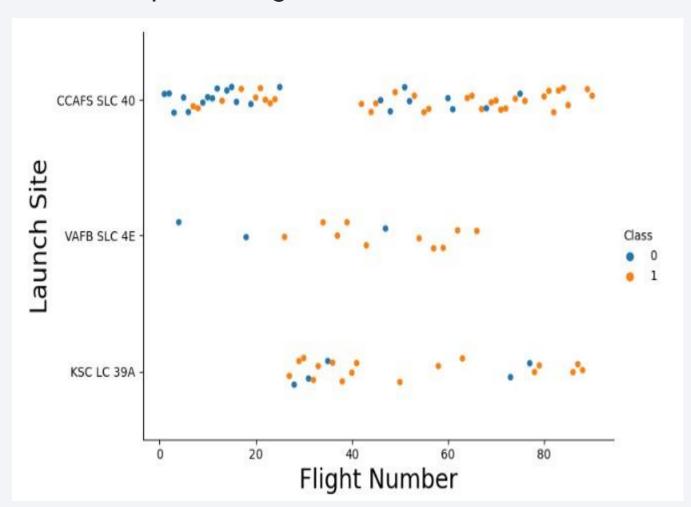
The table below compares the test data accuracy scores of SVM, Classification Trees, k nearest neighbors, and Logistic Regression to indicate which approach outperformed the others using the test data.

Method	Test Data Accuracy	
Logistic_Reg	0.833333	
SVM	0.833333	
Decision Tree	0.833333	
KNN	0.833333	



# Flight Number vs. Launch Site

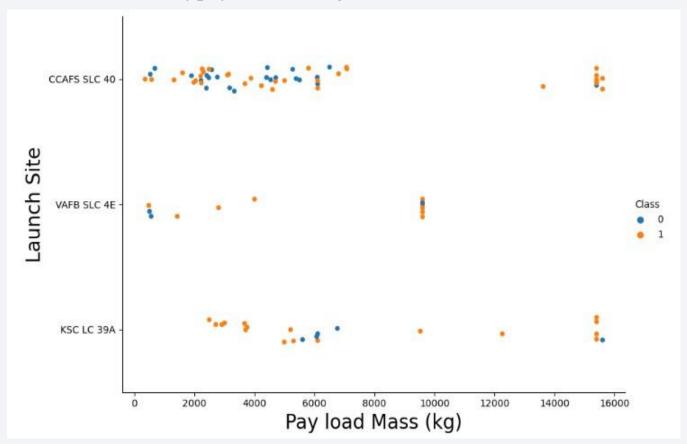
#### Scatter plot of Flight Number vs. Launch Site



### Payload vs. Launch Site

#### Scatter plot of Payload vs. Launch Site

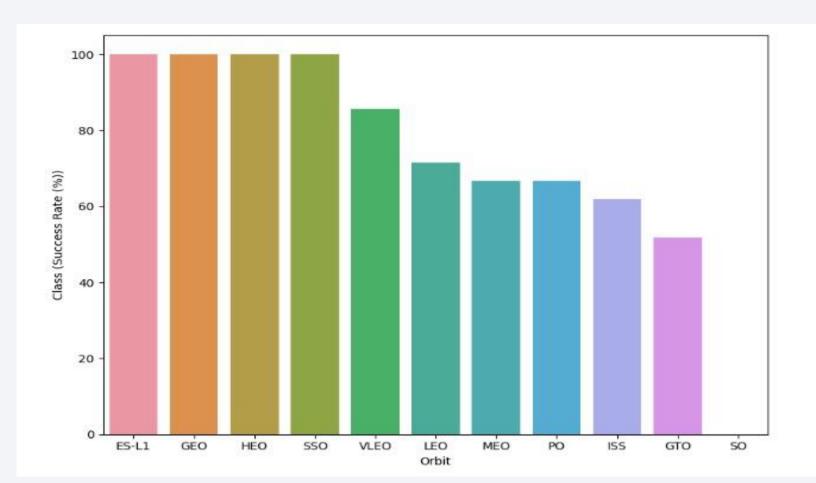
Now if you observe Payload Vs. Launch Site scatter point chart you will find for the VAFB-SLC launchsite there are no rockets launched for heavypayload mass(greater than 10000).



# Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

#### Success rate of each orbit type

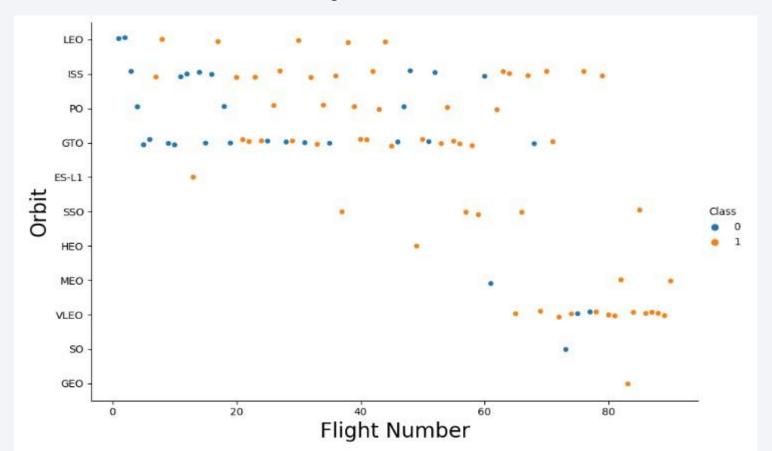
Analyzing the plotted bar chart ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO orbits have High Success Rate



# Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

#### Scatter plot of Flight number vs. Orbit type

The LEO orbit the Success appears related to the number of flights, on the other hand, there seems to be no relationship between flight number when in GTO orbit.

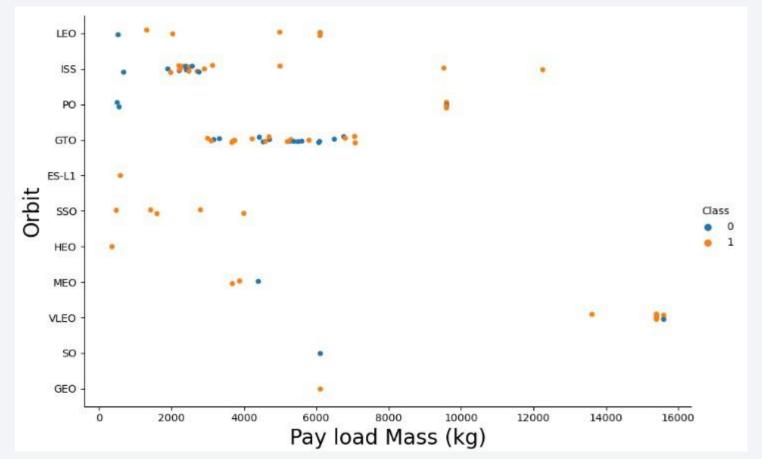


# Payload vs. Orbit Type

#### Scatter polt of payload vs. orbit type

With heavy payloads the successful landing or positive landing rate are more for Polar, LEO and ISS. However for GTO we cannot distinguish this well as both positive landing rate and negative landing (unsuccessful mission) are

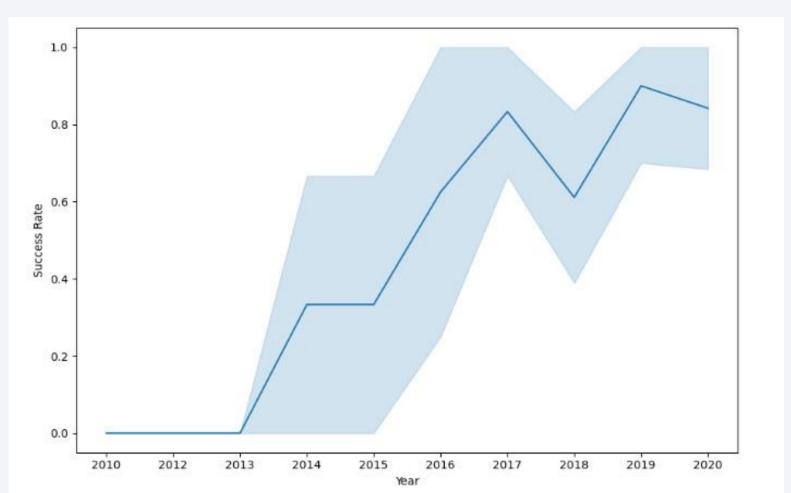
here.



# Launch Success Yearly Trend

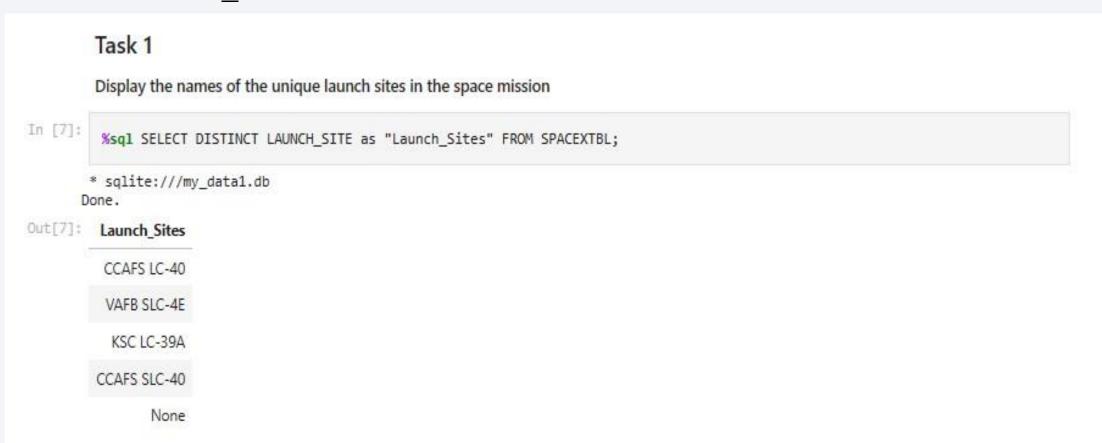
#### Line chart of yearly average success rate

It is observed that the success rate since 2013 kept increasing till 2020



### All Launch Site Names

Used 'SELECT DISTINCT' statement to return only the unique launch sites from the 'LAUNCH SITE' column of the SPACEXTBL table



# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

Used 'LIKE' command with '%' wildcard in 'WHERE' clause to select and display a table of 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'

]:	%sql SELEC	%sql SELECT * FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Launch_Site LIKE 'CCA%' LIMIT 5;											
	* sqlite://	/my_data1	l.db										
]:	Date	Time (UTC)	Booster_Version	Launch_Site	Payload	PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_	Orbit	Customer	Mission_Outcome	Landing_Out			
	06/04/2010	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0.0	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Failure (parad			
	12/08/2010	15:43:00	F9 v1.0 B0004	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C1, two CubeSats, barrel of Brouere cheese	0.0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS) NRO	Success	Failure (parad			
	22/05/2012	7:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2	525.0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No att			
	10/08/2012	0:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-1	500.0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No att			
	03/01/2013	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-2	677.0	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No att			

# **Total Payload Mass**

Used the 'SUM()' function to return and display the total sum of 'PAYLOAD\_MASS\_KG' column for Customer 'NASA(CRS)'

### Task 3 Display the total payload mass carried by boosters launched by NASA (CRS) In [9]: %sql SELECT SUM(PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_) as "Total Payload Mass(Kgs)", Customer FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE Customer = 'NASA (CRS)'; \* sqlite:///my\_data1.db Done. Total Payload Mass(Kgs) Customer 45596.0 NASA (CRS)

# Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

Used the 'AVG()' function to return and display the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1



# First Successful Ground Landing Date

Used the 'MIN()' function to return and display the first (oldest) date when first successful landing outcome on ground pad 'Success (ground pad)'happened.

#### Task 5

List the date when the first succesful landing outcome in ground pad was acheived.

Hint:Use min function

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%sql SELECT MIN(DATE) FROM 'SPACEXTBL' WHERE "Landing _Outcome" = "Success (ground pad)";
```

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* sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.
```

#### MIN(DATE)

01-05-2017

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

Used 'Select Distinct' statement to return and list the 'unique' names of boosters with operators >4000 and <6000 to only list booster with payloads between 4000-6000 with landing outcome of 'Success (drone ship)'

### Task 6

List the names of the boosters which have success in drone ship and have payload mass greater than 4000 but less than 6000

%sql SELECT DISTINCT Booster\_Version, Payload FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "Landing \_Outcome" = "Success (drone ship)" AND PAYLOAD\_MASS\_\_KG\_ > 4000 AND PAYLOA

\* sqlite:///my\_datal.db

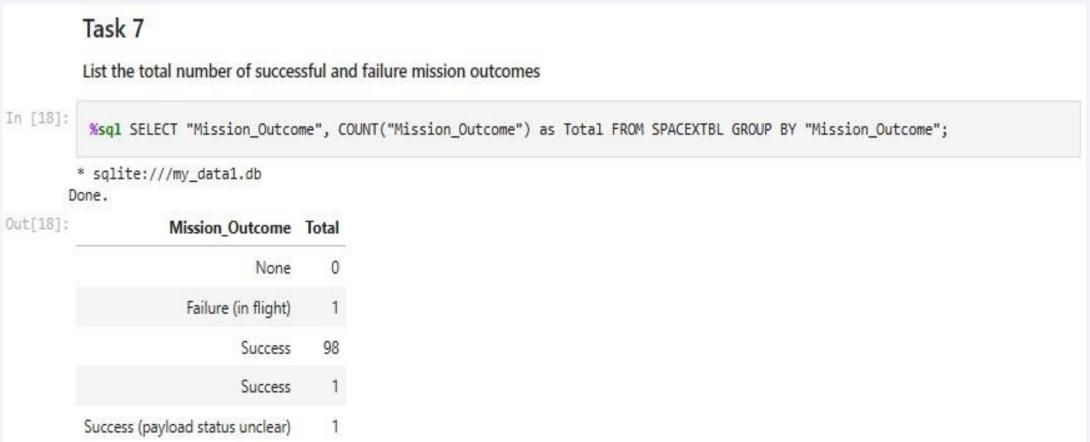
# Wsgl SELECT \* FROM 'SPACEXTBL'

Done

Payload	Booster_Version				
JCSAT-14	F9 FT B1022				
JCSAT-16	F9 FT B1026				
585-10	F9 FT 81021.2				
SES-11 / EchoStar 105	F9 FT B1031,2				

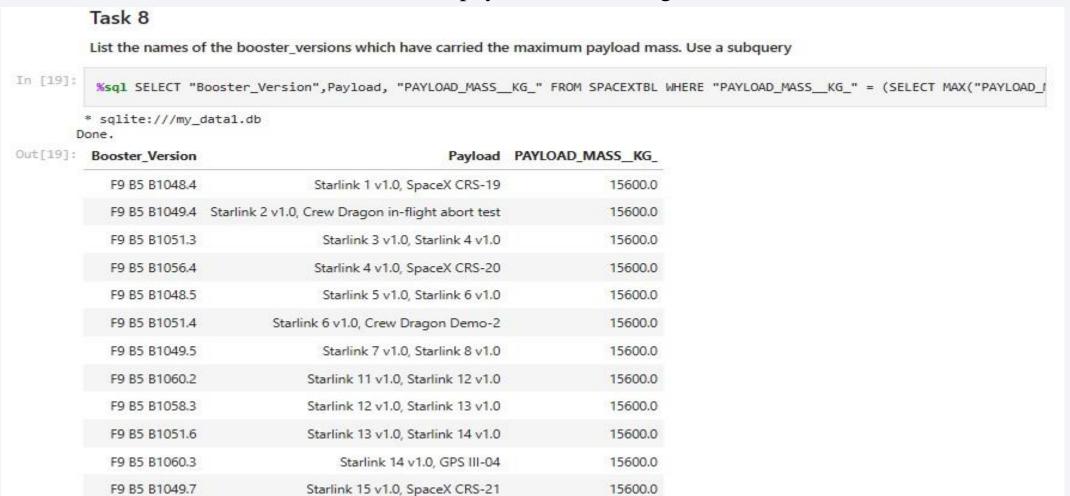
### Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

Used the 'COUNT()' together with the 'GROUP BY' statement to return total number of missions outcomes



### **Boosters Carried Maximum Payload**

Used a Subquery to return and pass the Max payload and listed all the boosters that have carried the Max payload of 15600kgs



### 2015 Launch Records

Used the 'subsrt()' in the select statement to get the month and year from the date column where substr(Date,7,4)='2015' for year and Landing\_outcome was 'Failure (drone ship') and return the records matching the filter

#### Task 9

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 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

#### Task 10

Rank the count of successful landing\_outcomes between the date 04-06-2010 and 20-03-2017 in descending order.

%sql SELECT \* FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE "Landing \_Outcome" LIKE 'Success%' AND (Date BETWEEN '04-06-2010' AND '20-03-2017') ORDER BY Date DESC;

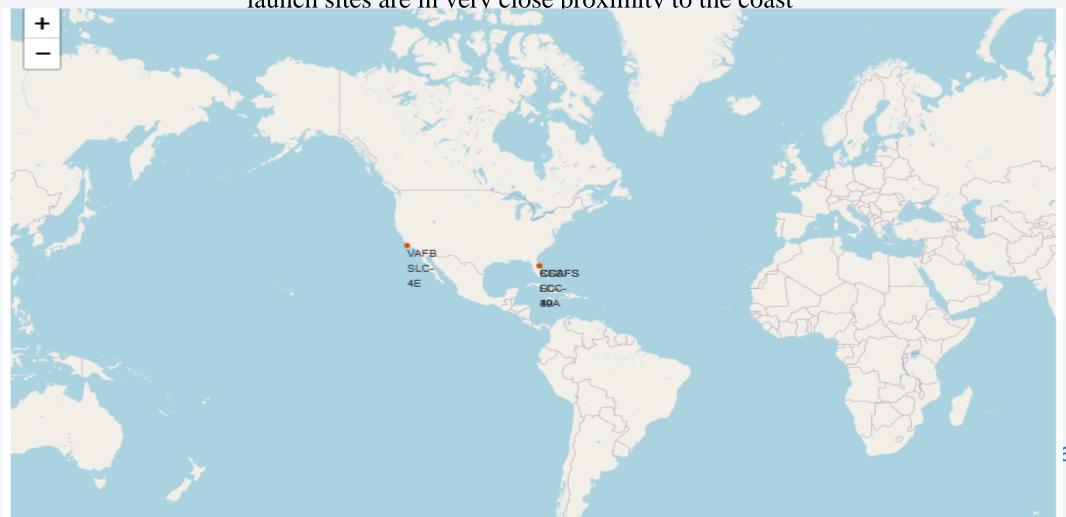
\* sqlite:///my\_datal.db Done.

Date	Time (UTC)	Booster_Version	Launch_Site	Payload	PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_	Orbit	Customer	Mission_Outcome	Landing _Outcome
19-02- 2017	14:39:00	F9 FT B1031.1	KSC LC-39A	SpaceX CRS-10	2490	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Success (ground pad)
18-10- 2020	12:25:57	F9 B5 B1051.6	KSC LC-39A	Starlink 13 v1.0, Starlink 14 v1.0	15600	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Success
18-08- 2020	14:31:00	F9 B5 B1049.6	CCAFS SLC- 40	Starlink 10 v1.0, SkySat-19, -20, -21, SAOCOM 1B	15440	LEO	SpaceX, Planet Labs, PlanetiQ	Success	Success
18-07- 2016	04:45:00	F9 FT B1025.1	CCAFS LC-40	SpaceX CRS-9	2257	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	Success (ground pad)
18-04- 2018	22:51:00	F9 B4 B1045.1	CCAFS SLC- 40	Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite (TESS)	362	HEO	NASA (LSP)	Success	Success (drone ship)



# All Launch site Markers on Global map

All launch sites are in proximity to the Equator, (located southwards of the US map). Also all the launch sites are in very close proximity to the coast

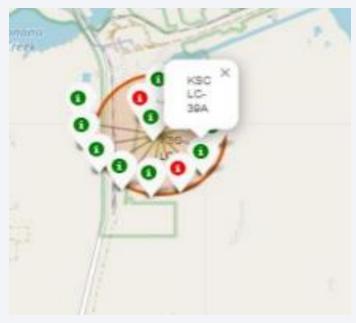


### Launch outcomes of each site with color markers on map

Compared to CCAFS SLC-40 & CCAFS LC-40, the Eastern Coast (Florida) Launch Site KSC LC-39A has relatively high success rates.

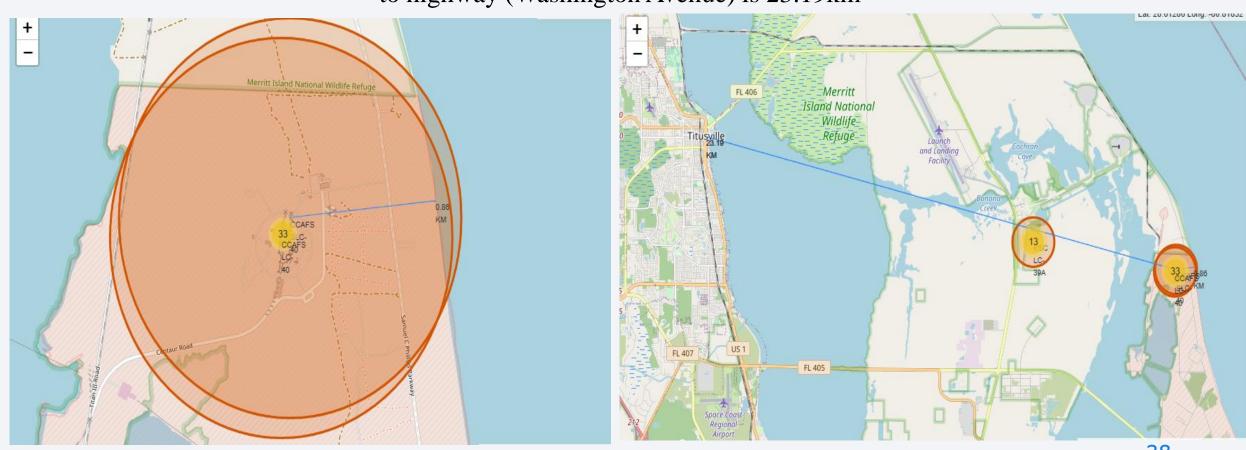






### Distance between launch sites to its proximities

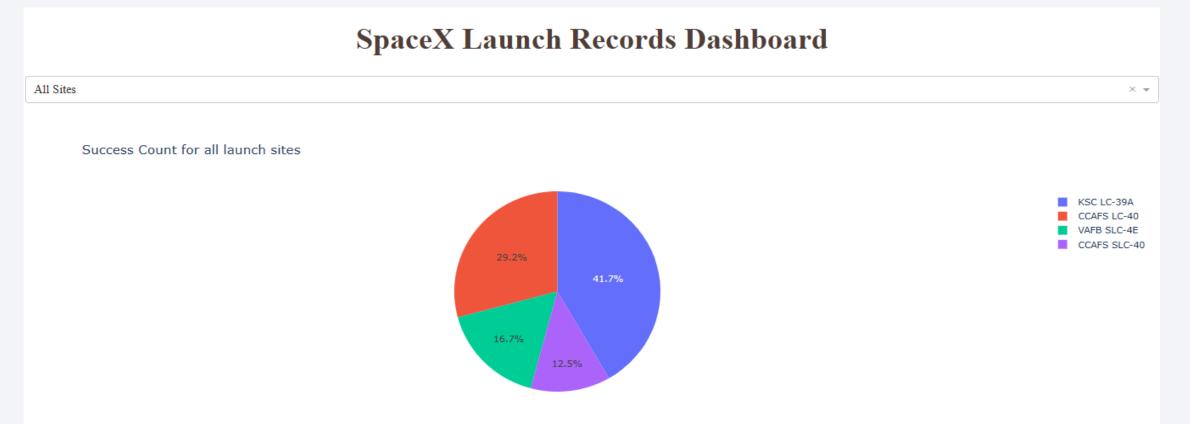
Launch site CCAFS SLC-40 proximity to coastline is 0.86km and Launch site CCAFS SLC-40 closest to highway (Washington Avenue) is 23.19km





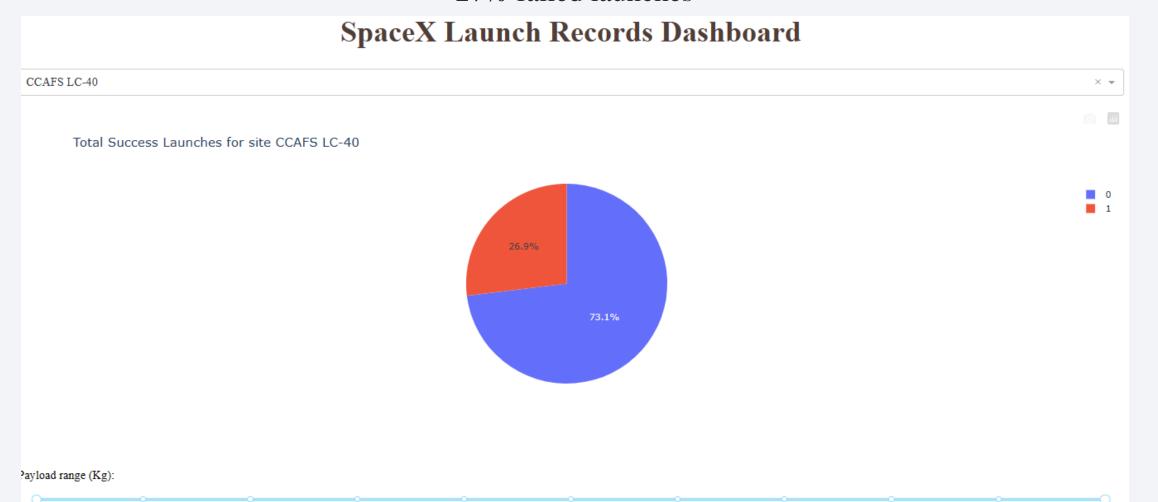
### Pie chart for launch success count - all sites

With a success rate of 41.7%, launch site KSC LC-39A leads the field, followed by CCAFS LC-40 with a success rate of 29%, VAFB SLC-4E with a success rate of 17%, and launch site CCAFS SLC-40 with a success rate of 13%.



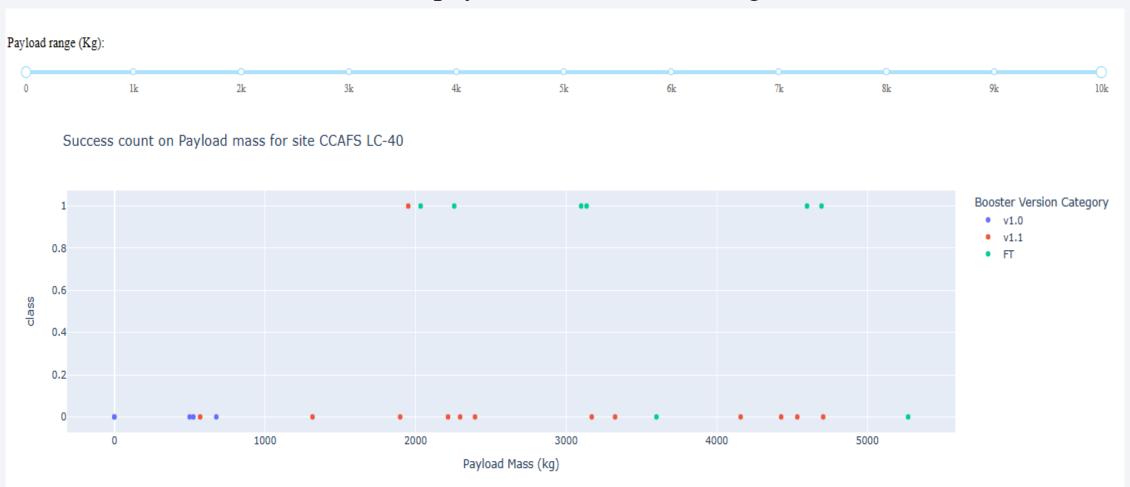
# Pie chart for launch site 2<sup>nd</sup> highest launch success ratio

Launch site CCAFS LC-40 had the Second highest success ratio of 73% success against 27% failed launches



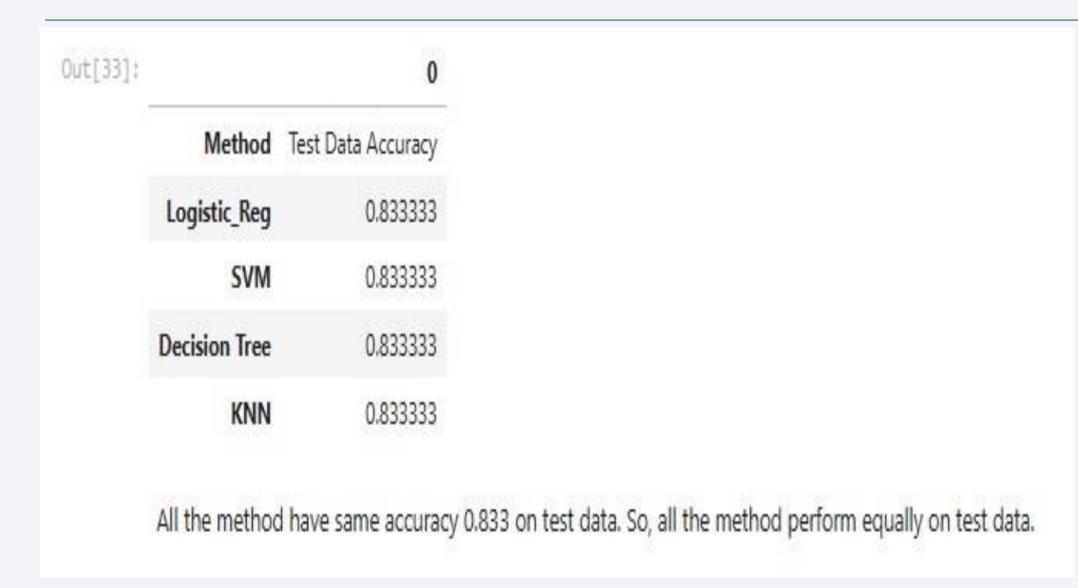
### Scatter plot for Payload vs Launch outcome – all sites

For Launch site CCAFS LC-40 the booster version FT has the largest success rate from a payload mass of >2000kg



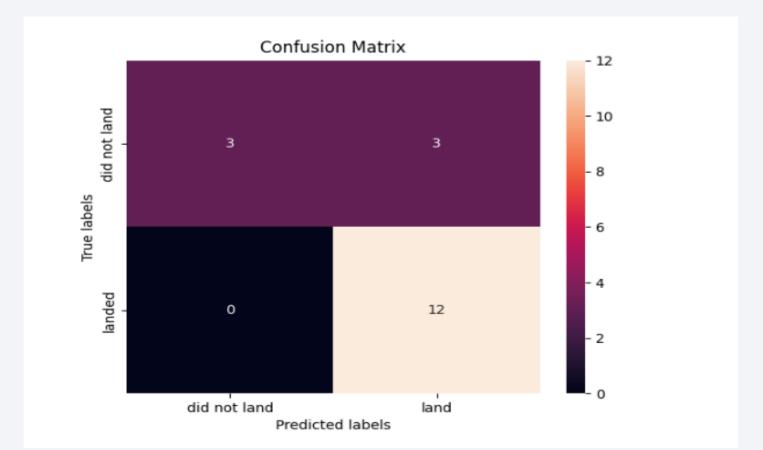


### **Classification Accuracy**



### **Confusion Matrix**

- All four classification models shared the same confusion matrices and were equally capable of differentiating between the various classes.
- False positives for all the models are the main issue.



### **Conclusions**

- Success rates vary between launch locations. The success percentage for CCAFS LC-40 is 60%, compared to 77% for KSC LC-39A and VAFB SLC 4E.
- We may infer that the success rate rises as the number of flights rises at each of the three launch sites. For instance, the VAFB SLC 4E launch site had a 100% success rate following Flight 50. After the 80th flight, both KSC LC 39A and CCAFS SLC 40 achieved 100% success rates.
- There are no rockets launched for big payload mass (more than 10,000) from the VAFB-SLC launch site, according to the Payload Vs. Launch Site scatter point chart.
- The most successful orbits are ES-L1, GEO, HEO, and SSO, with SO orbit having the least successful orbits at about 50%. The success rate of Orbit SO is zero.
- For Polar, LEO, and ISS, the successful landing or positive landing rate is higher while carrying heavier payloads. However, for GTO, it is difficult to make this distinction because both positive and negative landing rates (missions that fail) are present.
- And lastly, from 2013 until 2020, the success rate continued to rise.

