

# Winning Space Race with Data Science

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### Executive Summary

#### Summary of methodologies

• This project uses data science methods to predict the first stage landing success rate of the SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket using data collecting, data wrangling, exploratory data analysis, interactive visual analytics, and predictive analysis..

#### • Summary of all results

- Out of the 90 landings of Falcon 9 rocket between the year of 2010 and 2020, the overall success rate is  $\approx 66.67\%$
- We observed that the success rates started to increase since 2013.
- There are various relationships between the features including the flight number, launch site, payload, orbit, etc.
- By appling machine learning method, we built classification models for the prediction and all classifiers have the same prediction accuracy of  $\approx 83.33\%$

#### Introduction

- Project background and context
  - Space X offers Falcon 9 rocket launches at 62 million dollars on their website; other suppliers charge upwards of 165 million dollars apiece, with much of the savings due to Space X's ability to reuse the first stage. As a result, if we can figure out if the first stage will land successfully, we can figure out how much a launch will cost. If another business wishes to compete with Space X for a rocket launch, this information can be used..
- Problems you want to find answers
  - Whether or not the Falcon 9 first stage will land successfully?



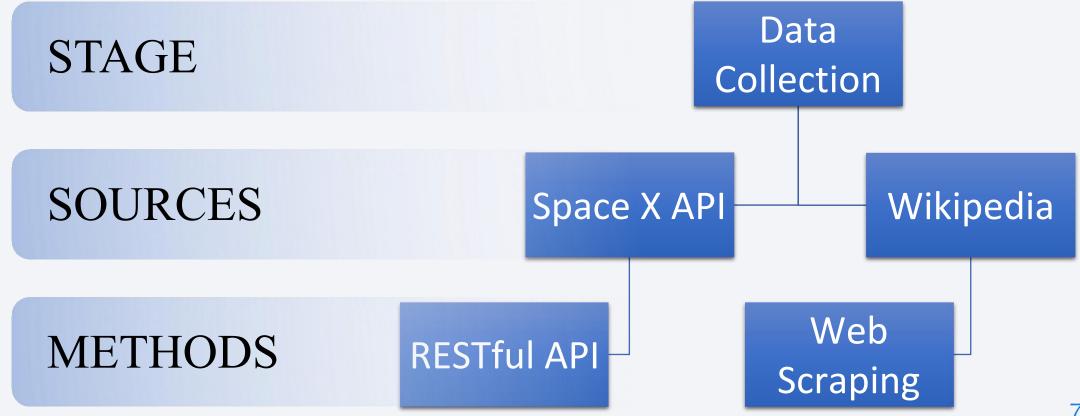
## Methodology

#### **Executive Summary**

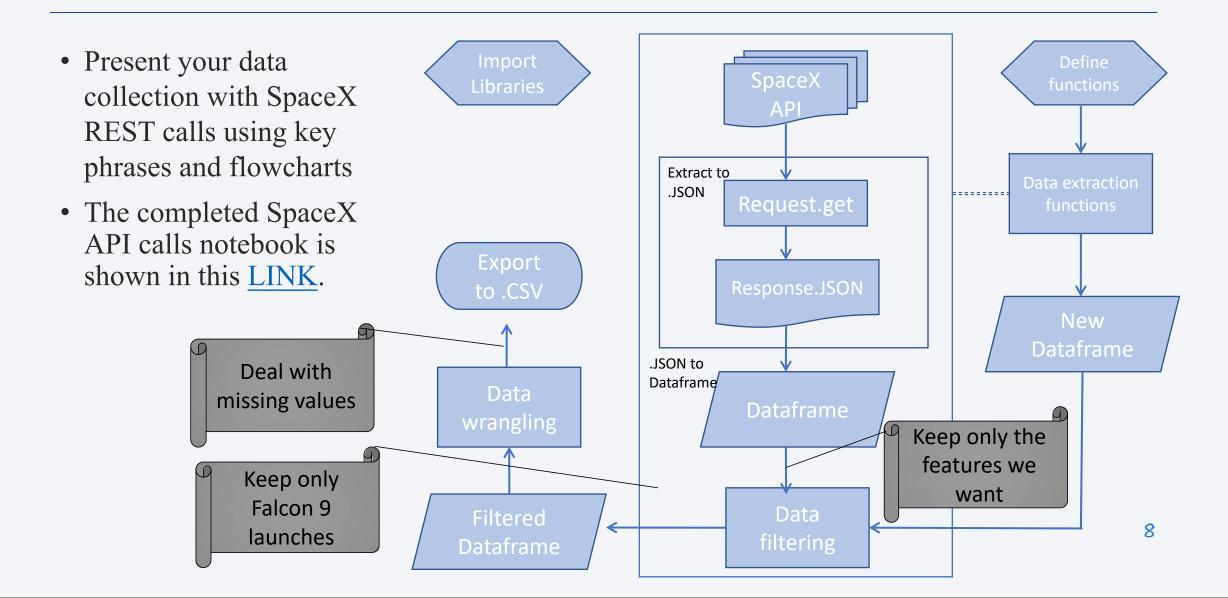
- Data collection methodology:
  - RESTful API and Web Scraping
- Perform data wrangling
  - Exploratory Data Analysis and Training Labels.
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models
  - Build, tune and evaluate classification models using Scikit-learn involving Train-Test Split and Grid Search.

#### Data Collection

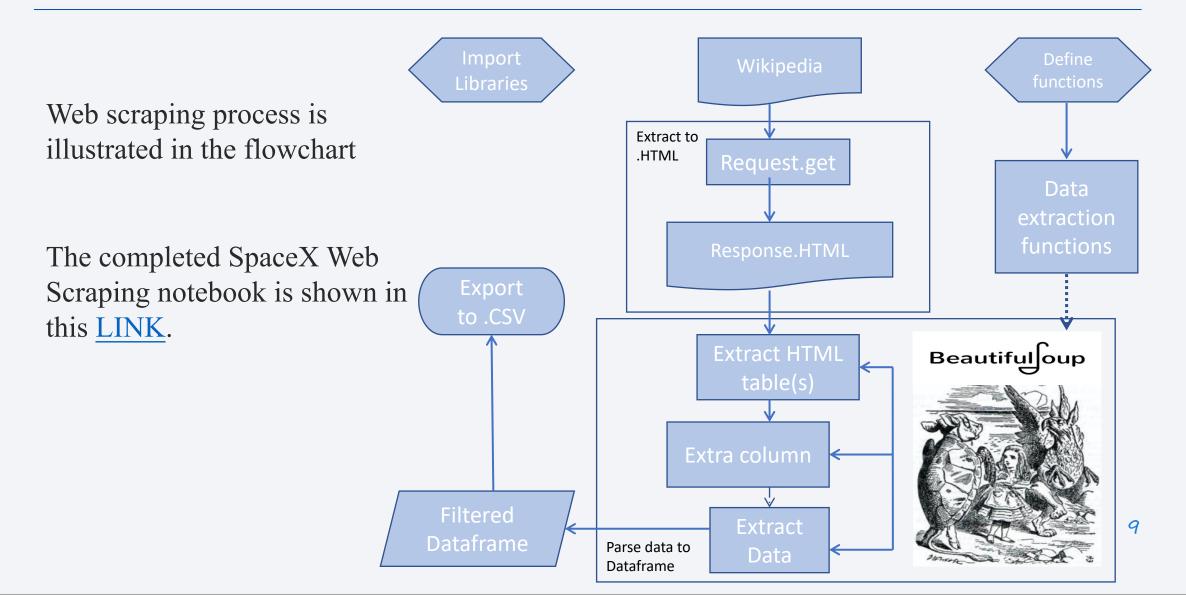
• Data sets were collected from two sources:



#### Data Collection - SpaceX API

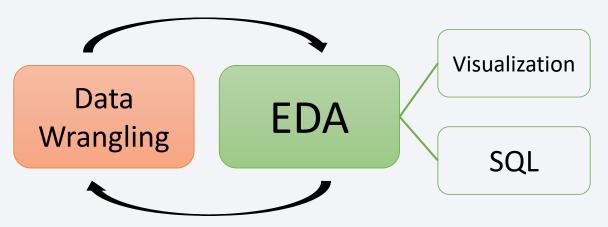


#### Data Collection - Scraping

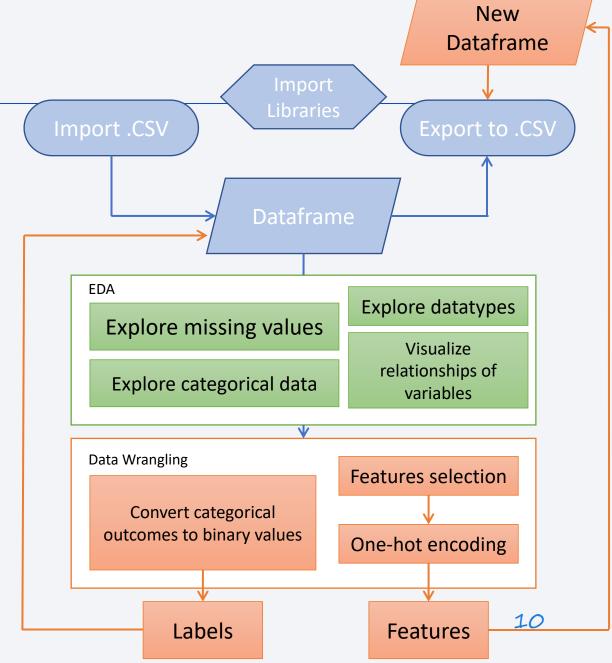


#### Data Wrangling

• To detect certain patterns in the data and define the label for training supervised models and prepare data feature engineering, exploratory data analysis (EDA) was used.

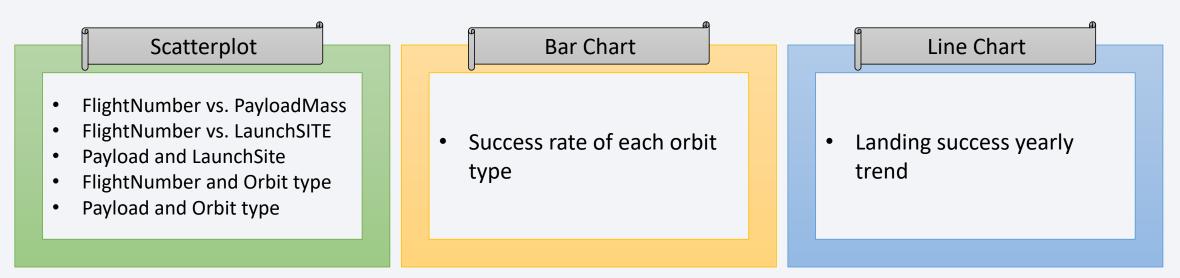


• The completed SpaceX Data Wrangling notebook is shown in this LINK.



#### EDA with Data Visualization

• Scatter charts (seaborn.catplot) were used to investigate how correlations between factors affected whether or not the landings were successful. A bar chart was used to determine the association between each variable's success rate. The yearly trend of success rate was determined using a line chart.



• The completed SpaceX EDA with Data Visualization notebook is shown in this LINK.

### EDA with SQL

- The following SQL queries were performed:
  - · 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
  - List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes.
  - List the names of the booster\_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass.
  - List the failed landing\_outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015.
  - 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.
- The completed SpaceX EDA with SQL notebook is shown in this LINK.

## Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- Map components such as circles, markers, and polylines were built and added to the folium map. MarkerClusters were also used to group together many markers with the same coordinate. A MousePosition was also introduced to acquire the coordinates for a mouse over a map point.
- The purposes of those objects added on the map are stated as table below:

Map Objects Objects	Circle	Marker  13 SC LC- 39A	MarkerCluster	Polyline	MousePosition Lat: 28.56523 Long: -80.5957
Task 1: Mark all launch sites on a map	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			
Task 2: Mark the success/failed launches for each site.		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		
Task 3: Distances between a launch site to its proximities.		<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	✓

• The completed SpaceX Interactive Map with Folium notebook is shown in this <u>LINK</u>.

#### Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

• The dashboard consists of two sections:

1

To begin, a dropdown menu of the four launch locations has been included, with the selected launch site displaying a pie chart depicting the launch success percentage (Success vs Failure).

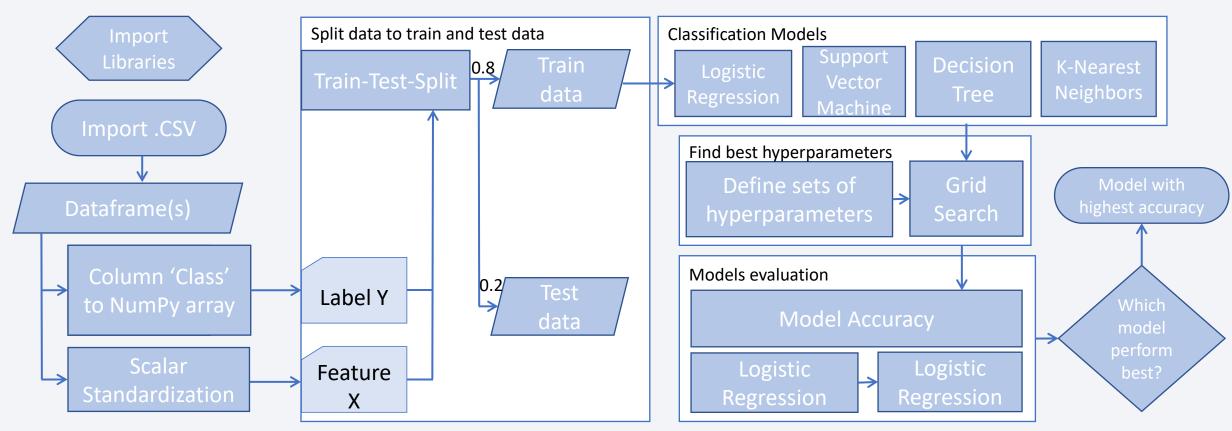
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Then, a range slider was added to pick a certain payload mass range, and a scatterplot display was added to demonstrate how payload may be connected to landing outcomes for the chosen launch location(s).

• The completed SpaceX Plotly Dash Laboratory is shown in this LINK.

#### Predictive Analysis (Classification)

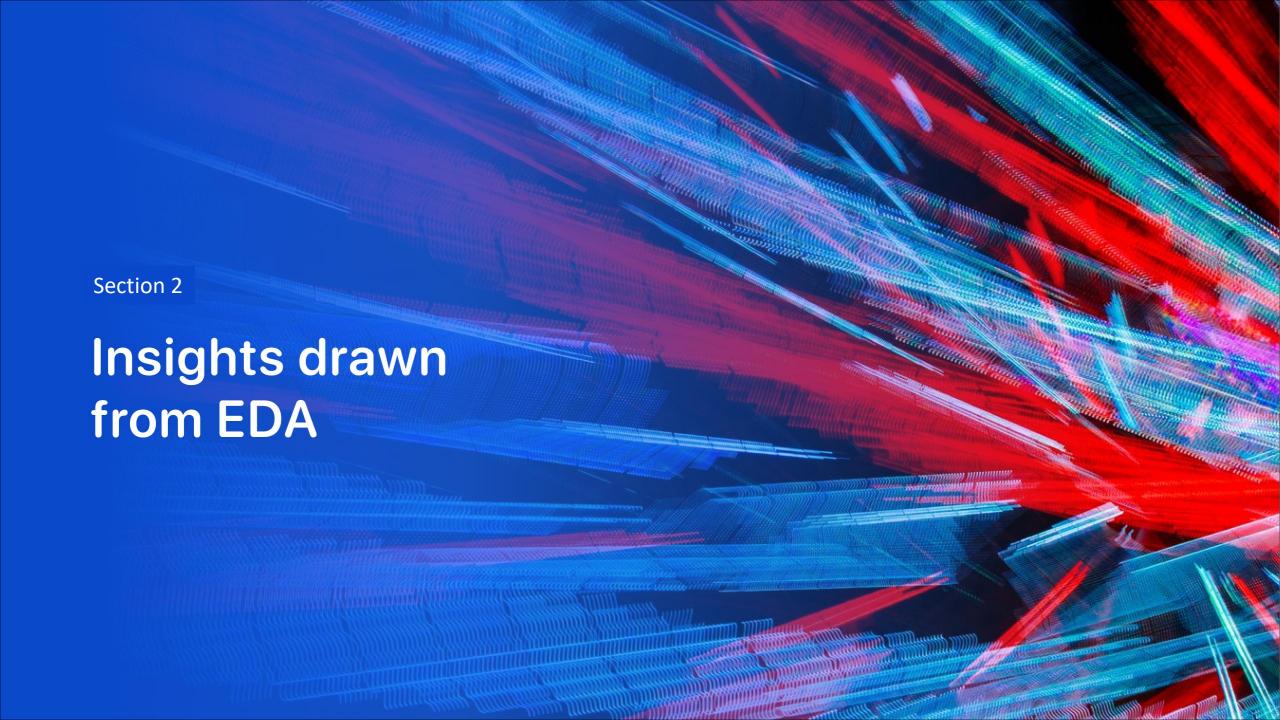
• The best performing classification model was built, evaluated, improved, and found as flowchart below:



• The completed Predictive Analysis Laboratory notebook is shown in this <u>LINK</u>.

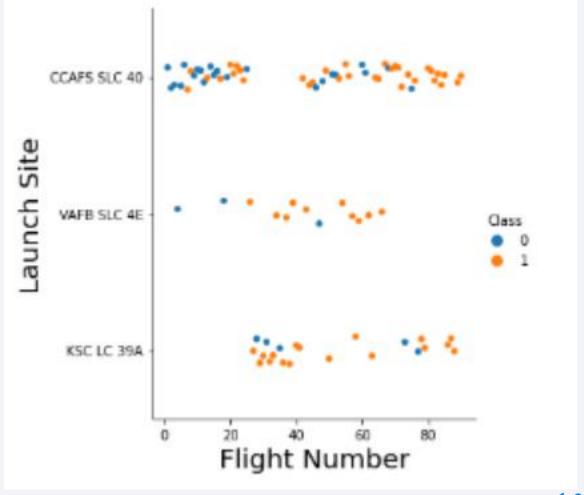
### Results

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



### Flight Number vs. Launch Site

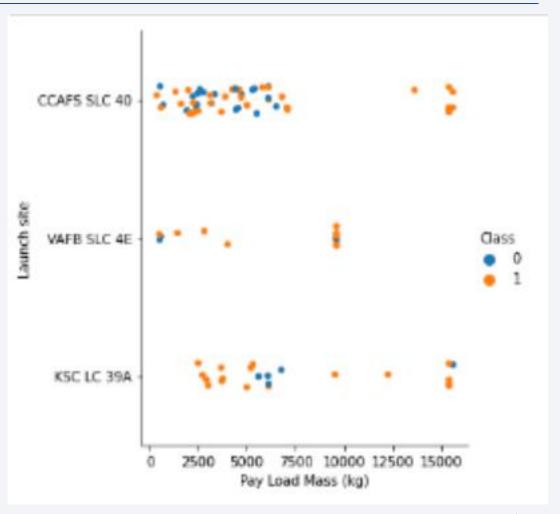
- Figure right shows a scatterplot of Flight Number vs. Launch Site.
- Overall, the first stage is more likely to land safely as the number of flights grows, notably at launch site CCAFS SLC 40. We also noticed that after the 70th flight for VAFB SLC 4E and before the 20th flight for KSC LC 39A, no rockets were fired.



### Payload vs. Launch Site

• Figure on the right shows a scatterplot of Payload vs. Launch Site.

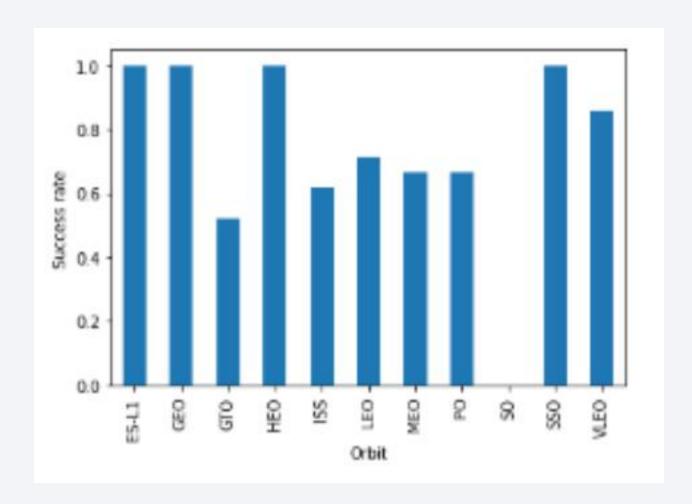
• There are no rockets launched for heavy payload mass at the VAFB SLC 4E launch site (greater than 10,000).



## Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

• Bar chart on the right shows the success rate of each orbit type.

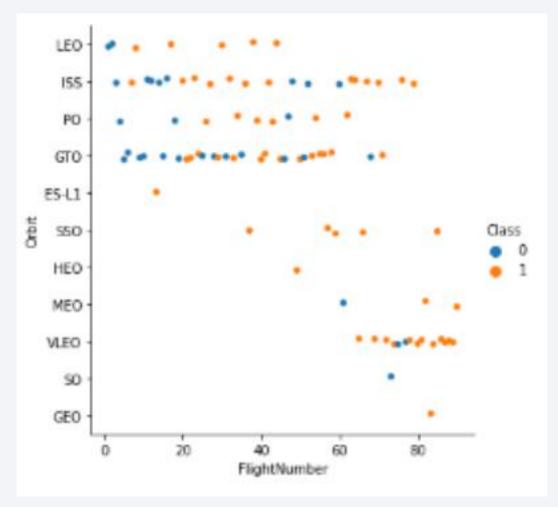
• We found that orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO, and SSO all had 100% success rates, whereas orbit SO had no rockets successfully land.



# Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

• Scatter point on the right illustrates the Flight Number vs. Orbit Type.

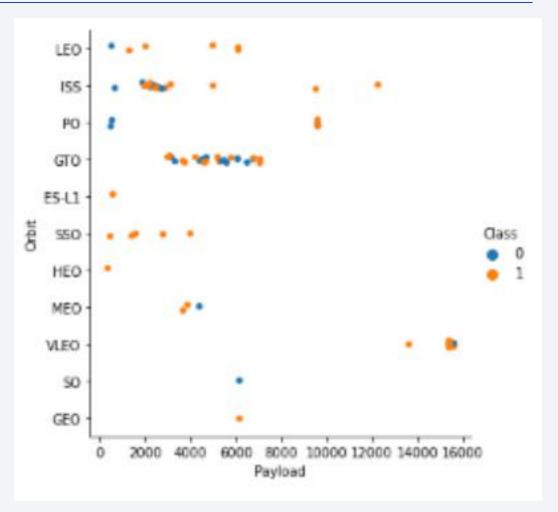
• In LEO orbit, success appears to be connected to the number of flights; however, in GTO orbit, there appear to be no connections between flight number and success.



# Payload vs. Orbit Type

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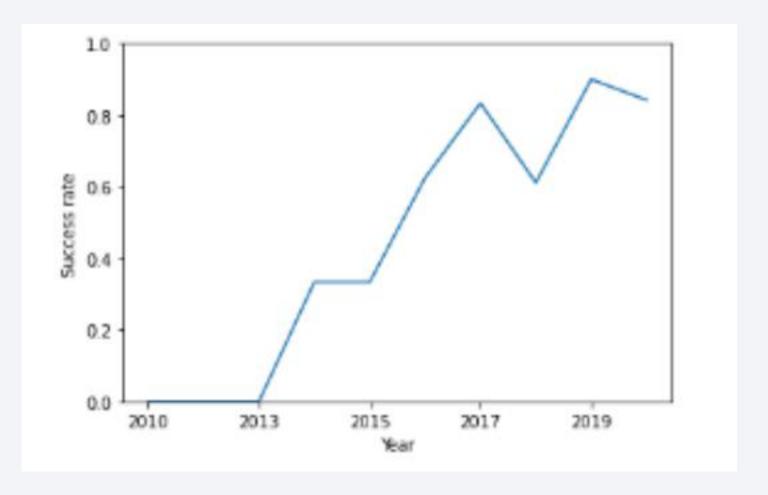
• Polar, LEO, and ISS are more likely to land successfully with big payloads. However, we can't tell the difference in GTO since both positive and negative landing rates happen.



### Launch Success Yearly Trend

• The figure shown on the right is a line chart of Yearly Average Success Rate.

• In general, the success rate since 2013 kept increasing til' 2020.



#### All Launch Site Names

• Find the names of the unique launch sites

```
%sql SELECT UNIQUE(LAUNCH_SITE) FROM SPACEXDATASET

ibm_db_sa://kql09780:***@b0aebb68-94fa-46ec-a1fc-1c999edb6187.c3n41cmd0nqnrk39u98g.databases.appdomain.cloud:31249/bludb
* ibm_db_sa://wxd04714:***@fbd88901-ebdb-4a4f-a32e-9822b9fb237b.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0lqde00.databases.appdomain.cloud:32731/bludb
Done.

launch site

CCAFS LC-40

CCAFS SLC-40

KSC LC-39A

VAFB SLC-4E
```

• There are 4 launch sites for SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket within the past 10 years.

### Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

• Find 5 records where launch sites begin with 'CCA'

	RE LAUNCH_ IT 5	SITE LIKE '%CG	4%' \							
				ec-a1fc-1c999edb6187.c3n41cmd0nqnrk 4f-a32e-9822b9fb237b.c1ogj3sd0tgtu0			The second second second			
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	(ISS)	NASA (COTS) NRO	Success	Failure (parachute
012-05- 22	07:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2		525	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attemp
012-10-	00:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-1		500	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt
2013-03-	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC-	SpaceX CRS-2		677	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt

• The query displays a list of records and information with launch site names begin with CCA.

## Total Payload Mass

• Calculate the total payload carried by boosters from NASA

```
%sql SELECT SUM(payload_mass__kg_) AS total_payload_mass FROM SPACEXDATASET \
    WHERE customer = 'NASA (CRS)'

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    Done.

7]: total_payload_mass
    45596
```

• The total payload mass carried by boosters from NASA is 45596 kg.

### Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

• Calculate the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

```
%sql SELECT AVG(payload_mass__kg_) AS average_payload_mass FROM SPACEXDATASET \
    WHERE booster_version = 'F9 v1.1'

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    ppdomain.cloud:32731/bludb
    Done.

8]: average_payload_mass
    2928
```

• The average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1 is 2928 kg.

# First Successful Ground Landing Date

• Find the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad

• The first successful landing outcome on ground pad happened on 2015 December 22nd.

#### Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4001 and 5999

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

• There are 4 boosters that satisfied the queries, namely F9 FT B1022, F9 FT B1026, F9 FT B1021.2, and F9 FT B1031.2.

# Total Number of Successful and Failure Mission Outcomes

• Calculate the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

• There is only 1 failure mission outcome and 100 success mission outcomes, with one uncleared payload status.

### Boosters Carried Maximum Payload

• List the names of the booster which have carried the maximum payload mass

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2]:	booster_version	payload_masskg_	
	F9 B5 B1048.4	15600	
	F9 B5 B1049.4	15600	
	F9 B5 B1051.3	15600	
	F9 B5 B1056.4	15600	
	F9 B5 B1048.5	15600	
	F9 B5 B1051.4	15600	
	F9 B5 B1049.5	15600	
	F9 B5 B1060.2	15600	
	F9 B5 B1058.3	15600	
	F9 B5 B1051.6	15600	
	F9 B5 B1060.3	15600	
	F9 B5 B1049.7	15600	

• The result shows a list of 12 booster versions that carried the maximum payload mass of 15,600 kg.

#### 2015 Launch Records

• List the failed landing\_outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015

• In 2015, booster version F9 v1.1 B1012 and B1015 have failed landing in drone ship both on launch site CCAFS LC-40.

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

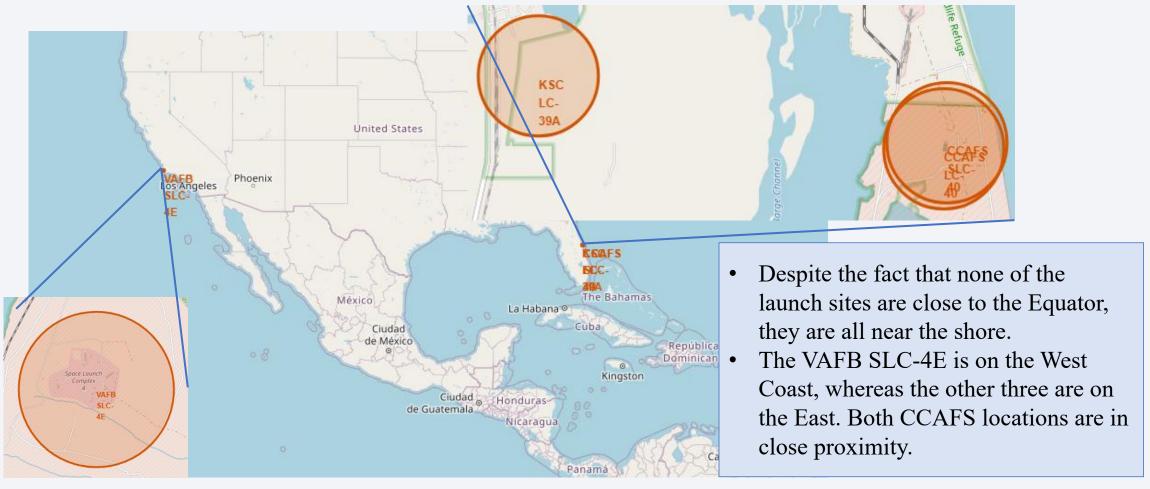
• Rank the count of landing outcomes (such as Failure (drone ship) or Success (ground pad)) between the date 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20, in descending order

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4]:	landing_outcome	count_outcome	
	No attempt	10	
	Failure (drone ship)	5	
	Success (drone ship)	5	
	Controlled (ocean)	3	
	Success (ground pad)	3	
	Failure (parachute)	2	
	Uncontrolled (ocean)	2	
	Precluded (drone ship)	1	

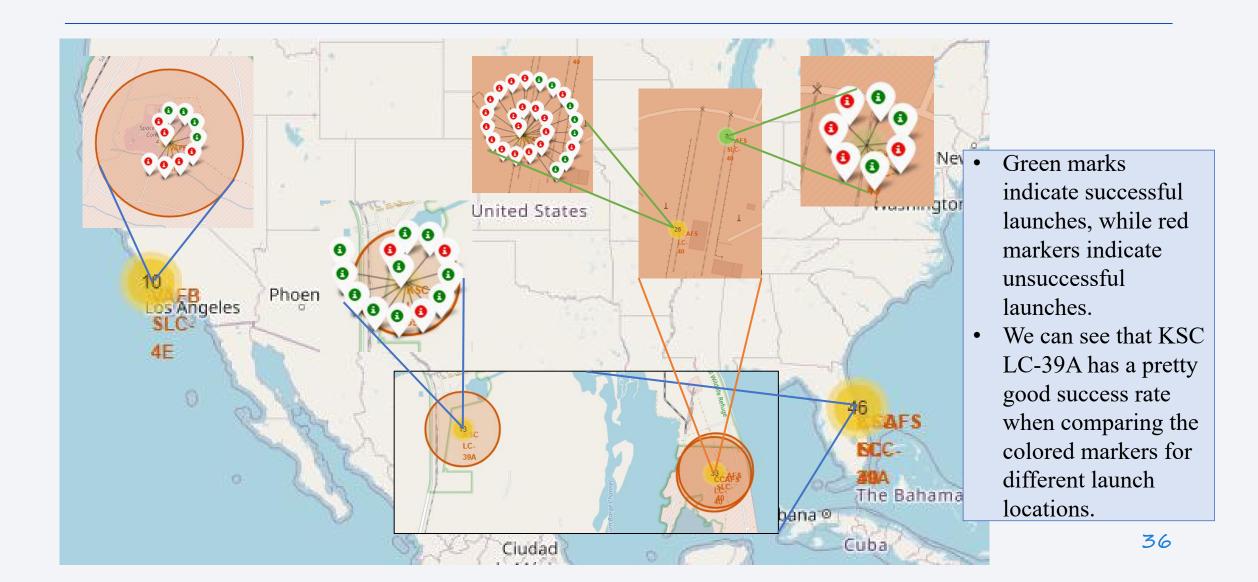
• Within the specified dates, most of the landing outcomes were no attempt, followed by both success and failure in drone ship.



#### Locations of All Launch Sites



#### Success or Failed Launches for each Site

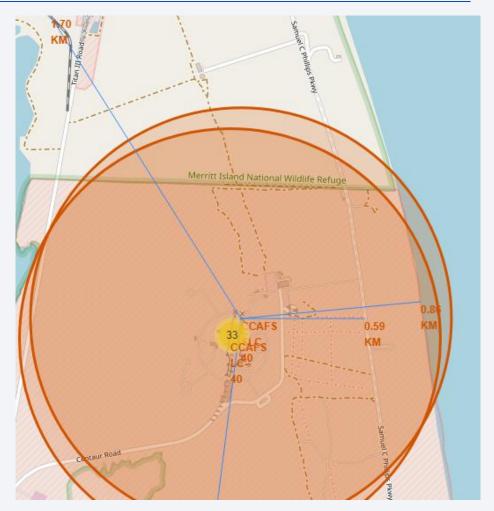


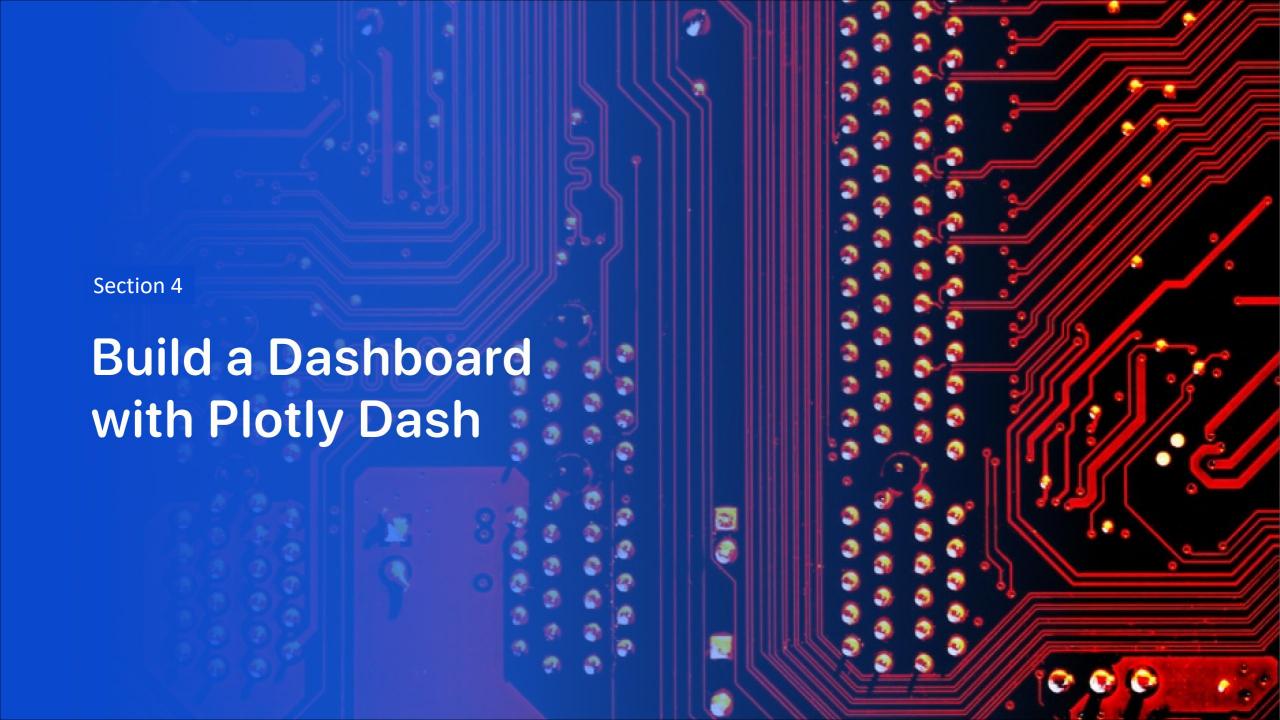
### Distances between a Launch Site to its Proximities



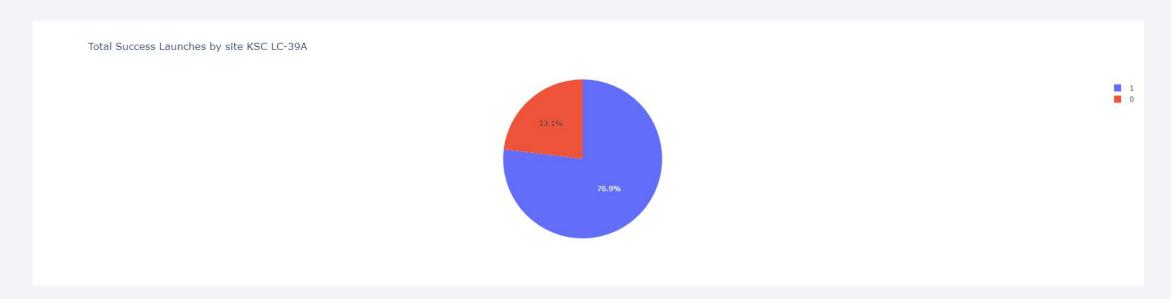
- The maps show the distances between site CCAFS SLC-40 and its nearby cities, railways, highways, and shoreline.
- The results are summarizes as table shown below:

Proximities	Distances (KM)
Nearest City	50.80
Railway	1.70
Highway	0.59
Coastline	0.86





#### Launch Success Ratio for Launch Site



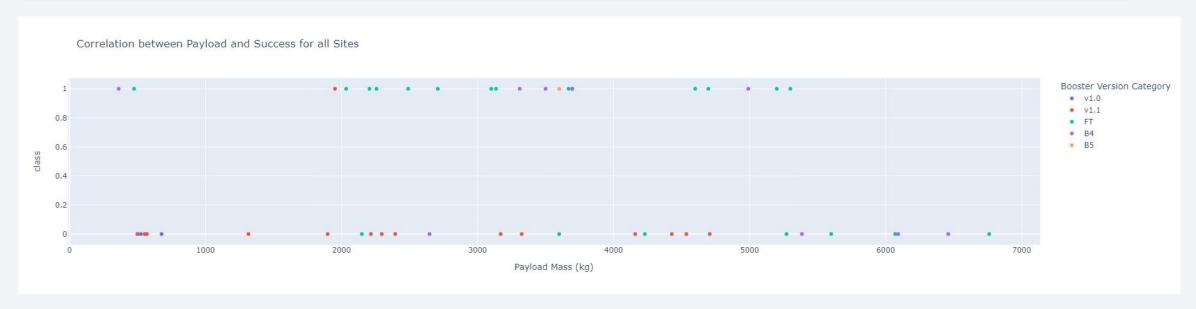
- In the SpaceX Launch Record Dashboard, pie charts on the right show the success ratio (1 = success vs 0 failed).
- KSC LC-39A site has the highest success ratio of 76.9%; while the other sites have < 50% of success ratio (Refer to Appendix 3).

#### Launch Success Counts for All Sites



- Based on the SpaceX Launch Record Dashboard, pie chart on the right displays the total counts of success for all sites.
- Launches on KSC LC-39A site has the highest success counts, with 41.7% success launches among all.

### Payload vs. Launch Outcome for All Sites



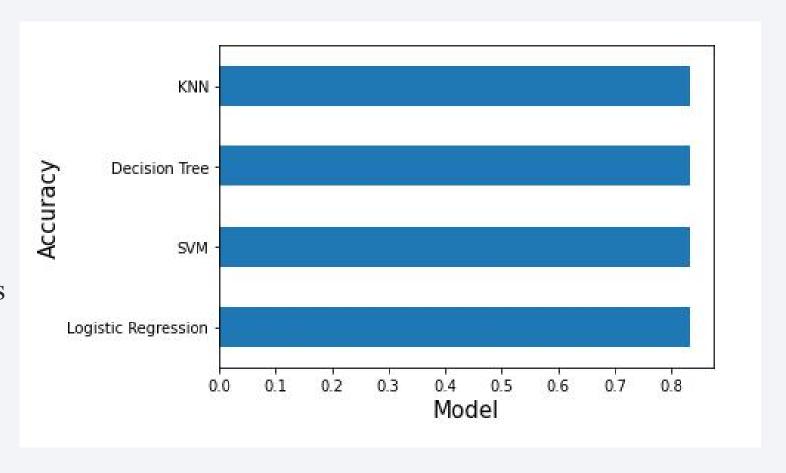
- With different booster variants, the scatterplots show the correlations between payload and launch results. In general, a larger payload bulk lowers the success rate.
- However, after 7,000 kg, there are certain outliers in the payload range. As a result, we discovered that booster v1.1 has a very low success rate in the region of 0 to 7,000 kg, but boosters FT and B4 have a greater success rate with lower payload mass.



### Classification Accuracy

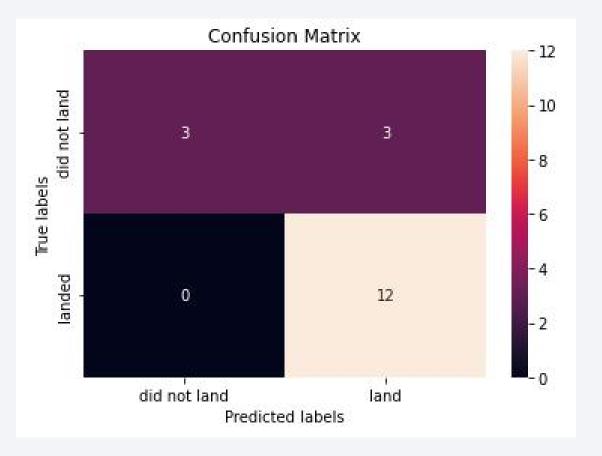
• Bar Chart on the right visualizes the built model accuracy for all built classification models.

• It seems that all four models have the similar classification accuracy of ≈83.33%.



### Confusion Matrix

- Since the accuracy for all models perform the same, their confusion matrix are also similar as shown in the figure.
- With a precision of 80% and a sensitivity of 100%, we can see that the models accurately predicted all of the landed outcomes, however there were a few "did not land" events that were mis-predicted as landing by the models.



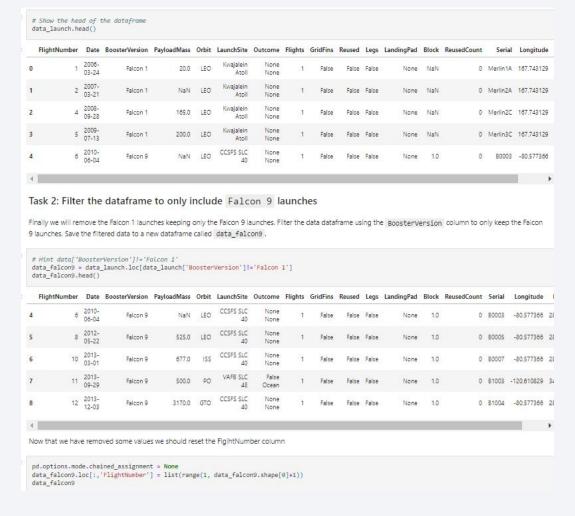
### Conclusions

• The goal of this study was to anticipate if the first stage of SpaceX Falcon 9 rockets will successfully land. As a result, classification models were developed and tested for this purpose.

• Logistic Regression, SVM, Decision Tree, and K-Nearest Neighbors are all appropriate models with good model accuracy (greater than (>) 80 percent).

• Our findings also show that where the rockets launch and which booster types are employed have a significant impact on successful landings. The higher the success rate, the lighter the payload.

• Appendix 1: Example of Python code and outputs of Data Collection API



```
data_falcon9.isnull().sum()
Date
BoosterVersion
PayloadMass
Orbit
LaunchSite
Outcome
Flights
GridFins
Reused
Legs
LandingPad
Block
ReusedCount
Serial
Longitude
Latitude
dtype: int64
Before we can continue we must deal with these missing values, The LandingPad column will retain None values to represent when la
Task 3: Dealing with Missing Values
Calculate below the mean for the PayloadMass using the .mean() . Then use the mean and the .neplace() function to replace n
the mean you calculated.
pd.options.mode.chained_assignment = None
# Calculate the mean value of PayloadMass column
 PayloadMass_mean = data_falcon9['PayloadMass'].mean()
 # Replace the np.nan values with its mean value
data_falcon9['PayloadMass'] = data_falcon9['PayloadMass'].replace(np.nan, PayloadMass_mean)
data_falcon9.isnull().sum()
FlightNumber
Date
BoosterVersion
PavloadMass
Orbit
LaunchSite
Outcome
Flights
GridFins
Reused
Legs
LandingPad
Block
ReusedCount
Serial
Longitude
Latitude
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dtype: int64

• Appendix 2: Example of Python code and outputs of Data Collection with Web Scraping

4 CCAFS

```
We will create an empty dictionary with keys from the extracted column names in the previous task. Later, this dictionary will be converted into a Pandas dataframe
launch_dict= dict.fromkeys(column_names)
# Remove on incelvent column
del launch_dict['Date and time ( )']
# Let's initial the Launch_dict with each value to be an empty list
launch_dict['Flight No.'] = []
launch_dict['Launch site'] = []
launch_dict['Payload'] = []
launch_dict['Payload mass'] = []
 launch_dict['Orbit'] = []
launch_dict['Customer'] = []
launch_dict['Launch outcome'] = []
 launch dict['Version Booster']=[
launch_dict['Booster landing']=[]
launch_dict['Time']=[]
Next, we just need to fill up the launch dict with launch records extracted from table rows.
Usually, HTML tables in Wiki pages are likely to contain unexpected annotations and other types of noises, such as reference links 80004.1[8], missing values N/A
To simplify the parsing process, we have provided an incomplete code snippet below to help you to fill up the launch_dict . Please complete the following code
snippet with TODOs or you can choose to write your own logic to parse all launch tables:
 for table_number,table in enumerate(soup.find_all('table', "wikitable plainrowheaders collapsible")):
     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
          #if it is number save cells in a dictonary
             extracted_row += 1
             # Flight Number value
            # TOOO: Append the flight_number into launch_dict with key 'Flight No.'
launch_dict['flight No.'].append(flight_number)
             datatimelist=date_time(row[0])
              # TODO: Append the date into Launch_dict with key 'Date'
              date = datatimelist[0].strip(',')
              launch dict['Date'].append(date)
              # TODO: Append the time into Launch_dict with key 'Time'
             time = datatimelist[1]
             launch_dict['Time'].append(time)
             #print(time)
              # TODO: Append the by into Launch_dict with key 'Version Booster'
             bv=booster_version(row[1])
             if not(by):
                  bv=row[1].a.string
```

```
# TODO: Append the time into Launch_dict with key 'Time
             time = datatimelist[1]
             launch_dict['Time'].append(time)
             # TODO: Append the by into Launch_dict with key 'Version Booster
             bv=booster_version(row[1])
             if not(bv):
                 bv=row[1].a.string
             launch dict['Version Booster'].append(by)
             # TODO: Append the by into Launch dict with key Lounch Site
             launch_dict['Launch site'].append(launch_site)
             # TODO: Append the payload into Launch_dict with key 'Payload'
payload = row[3].a.string
             launch_dict['Payload'].append(payload)
             # TODO: Append the payLoad_mass into Launch_dict with key 'PayLoad mass'
             payload_mass = get_mass(row[4])
launch_dict['Payload_mass'].append(payload_mass)
             # TODO: Append the orbit into Launch dict with key 'Orbit'
             orbit = row[5].a.string
             launch_dict['Orbit'].append(orbit)
             # TODO: Append the customer into Launch_dict with key 'Customer
             customer = row[6].text.strip()
             launch_dict['Customer'].append(customer)
             # TODO: Append the Launch_outcome into Launch_dict with key 'Launch outcome'
             launch_outcome = list(row[7].strings)[0]
             launch_dict['Launch outcome'].append(launch_outcome)
             # TODO: Append the Launch_outcome into Launch_dict with key "Booster Landing"
             booster landing = landing status(row[8])
             launch_dict['Booster landing'].append(booster_landing)
             #print(booster Landina)
After you have fill in the parsed launch record values into launch_dict, you can create a dataframe from it.
df=pd.DataFrame({ key:pd.Series(value) for key, value in launch_dict.items() })
df.head()
                                                                                              Launch
                                           Payload
                                                                Orbit
                                                                             Customer
                                                                                                                                            Date Time
                         Dragon Spacecraft Qualification
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                                                                                                                                      4 June 2010 18:45
                                                                               SpaceX
                                                                                             Success\n F9 v1.080003.1
                                                                                                                            Failure
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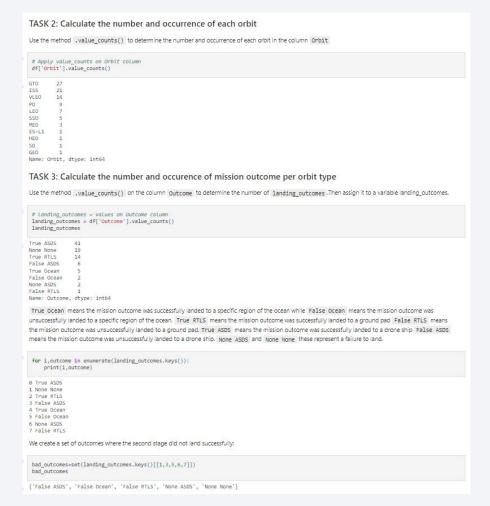
4,700 kg LEO

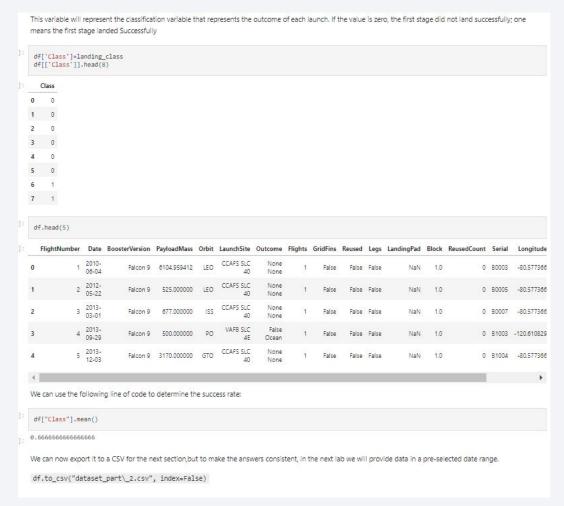
NASA (CRS)

Success\n F9 v1.080006.1 No attempt 8 October 2012 00:35

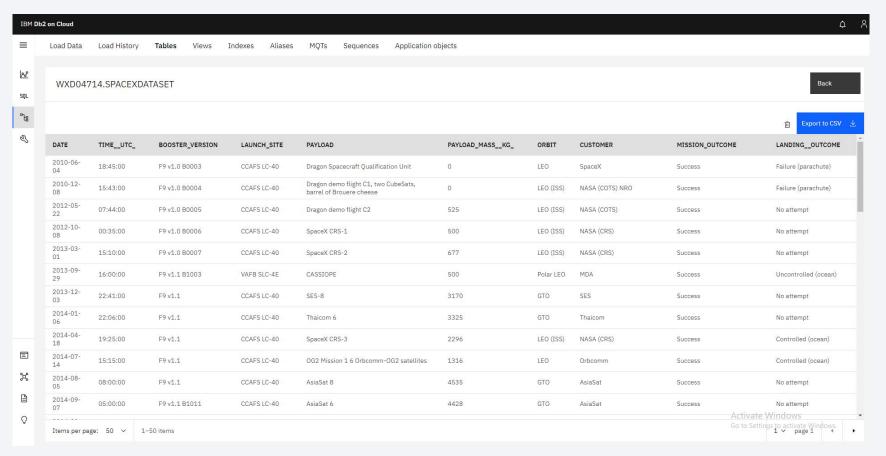
Success\n F9 v1.080007.1 No attempt\n 1 March 2013 15:10

• Appendix 3: Example of Python code and outputs of Data Wrangling





• Appendix 4: Dataset stored in IBM Db2 Database



• Appendix 5: Pie Charts of Success Ratio for Other Sites.

