#### **Executive Summary**

#### Summary of methodologies

- Data collection
- Data wrangling
- Exploratory Data Analysis with Data Visualization
- Exploratory Data Analysis with SQL
- Building an interactive map with Folium
- Building a Dashboard with Plotly Dash
- Predictive analysis

#### Summary of all results

- Exploratory Data Analysis results
- Predictive analysis results

#### Introduction

#### Project background and context

We know that the first stage is larger and more expensive than the second stage, and it plays a crucial role in getting the rocket off the ground. SpaceX has achieved success in landing and reusing the first stage in some cases, but there are instances where it cannot be recovered. Aim is to determine the cost of a rocket launch, focusing on SpaceX and their ability to reuse the first stage of their rockets

#### Problems you want to find answers

How do variables such as payload mass, launch site, number of flights, and orbits affect the success of the first stage landing?

Does the rate of successful landings increase over the years?



# Methodology

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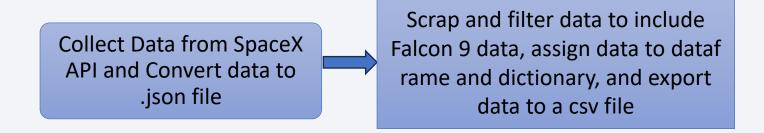
- Data collection methodology:
  - Using SpaceX Rest API
  - Using Web Scrapping from Wikipedia
- Perform data wrangling
  - Filtering the data
  - Dealing with missing values
  - Using One Hot Encoding to prepare the data
- Perform exploratory data analysis (EDA) using visualization and SQL
- Perform interactive visual analytics using Folium and Plotly Dash
- Perform predictive analysis using classification models

#### **Data Collection**

Data collection process involved a combination of API requests from SpaceX REST API and Web Scraping data from a table in SpaceX's Wikipedia entry. We had to use both of these data collection methods in order to get complete information about the launches for a more detailed analysis.

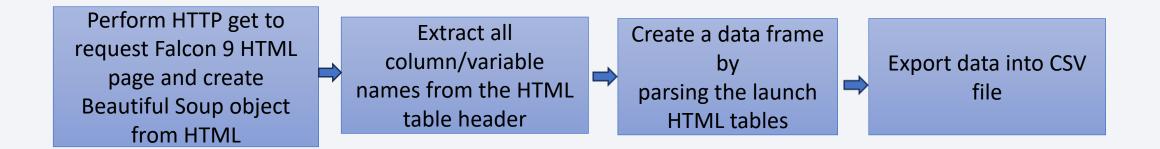
Data Columns are obtained by using SpaceX REST API: FlightNumber, Date, BoosterVersion, PayloadMass, Orbit, LaunchSite, Outcome, Flights, GridFins, Reused, Legs, LandingPad, Block, ReusedCount, Serial, Longitude, Latitude Data Columns are obtained by using Wikipedia Web Scraping: Flight No., Launch site, Payload, PayloadMass, Orbit, Customer, Launch outcome, Version Booster, Booster landing, Date, Time

### Data Collection – SpaceX API



GitHub URL of the completed SpaceX API calls notebook: <a href="https://github.com/sheebasyed/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/jupyter-labs-spacex-data-collection-api.ipynb">https://github.com/sheebasyed/Applied-Data-Science-Capstone-Project/blob/main/jupyter-labs-spacex-data-collection-api.ipynb</a>

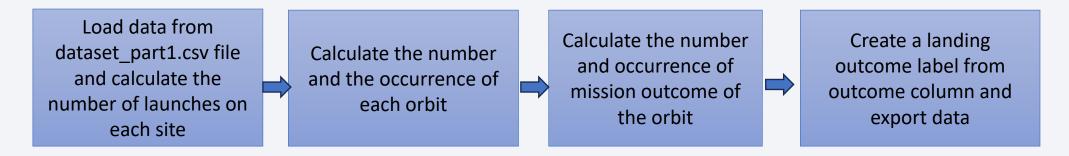
## **Data Collection - Scraping**



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### **Data Wrangling**

Performed exploratory data analysis and determined the training labels.
 Calculated the number of launches at each site, and the number and occurrence of each orbit and created landing outcome label from outcome column and exported the results to csv.



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

#### Launch Site trends:

- Scatterplot to see mission outcome relationship split by Launch Site and Flight Number.
- Scatterplot to see mission outcome relationship split by Launch Site and Payload.

#### **Orbit Type trends:**

- Bar chart to see mission outcome relationship with Orbit Type.
- Scatterplot to see mission outcome relationship split by Orbit Type and Flight Number.
- Scatterplot to see mission outcome relationship split by Orbit Type and Payload.

#### Trends based on time:

• Line plot to see mission outcome trend by year

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#### **EDA** with SQL

Queries were written to extract information about:

- Launch sites
- Payload masses
- Dates
- Booster types
- Mission outcomes

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#### Build an Interactive Map with Folium

- We marked all launch sites, and added map objects such as markers, circles, lines to mark the success or failure of launches for each site on the folium map.
- We assigned the feature launch outcomes (failure or success) to class 0 and 1, 0 for failure and 1 for success.
- Using the color-labeled marker clusters, we identified which launch sites have relatively high success rate.
- We calculated the distances between a launch site to its proximities. We answered some question for instance:
  - Are launch sites near railways, highways and coastlines.
  - Do launch sites keep certain distance away from cities.

#### Build a Dashboard with Plotly Dash

- The input dropdown is used to select one or all launch sites for the pie chart and scatterplot.
- The pie chart displays:

For All Sites – the distribution of successful Falcon 9 first stage landings between the sites

For One Site – the distribution of successful and failed Falcon 9 first stage landings for that site

- The input slider is used to filter the payload masses for the scatterplot.
- The scatterplot displays the distribution of Falcon 9 first stage landings split by payload mass, mission outcome and by booster version category.

## Predictive Analysis (Classification)

- We loaded the data using numpy and pandas, transformed the data, split our data into training and testing.
- We built different machine learning models and tune different hyperparameters using GridSearchCV.
- We used accuracy as the metric for our model, improved the model using feature engineering and algorithm tuning.
- We found the best performing classification model.

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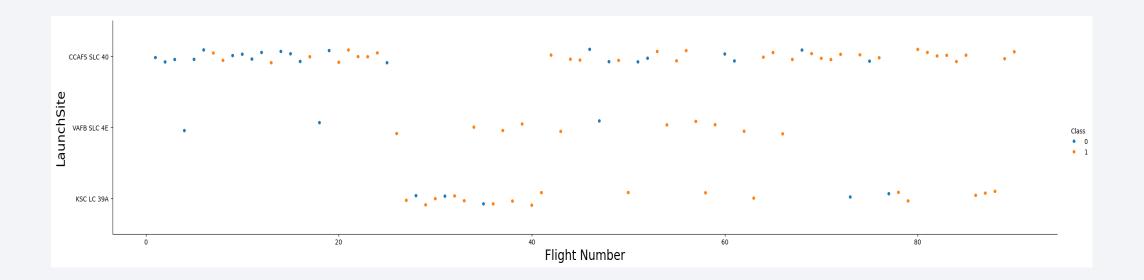
#### Results

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



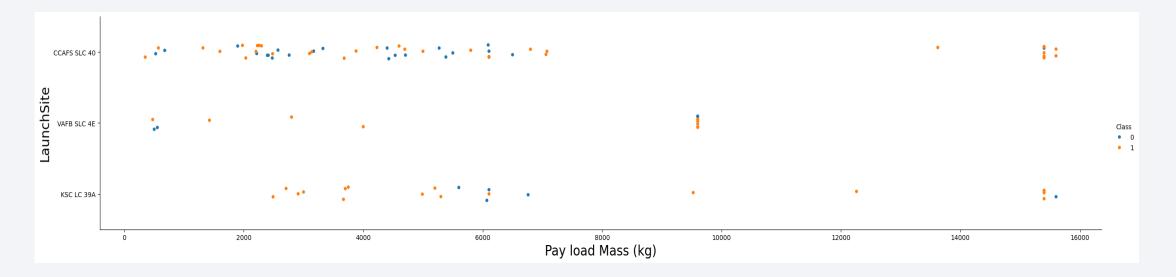
### Flight Number vs. Launch Site

We can see that the larger the flight number at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site.



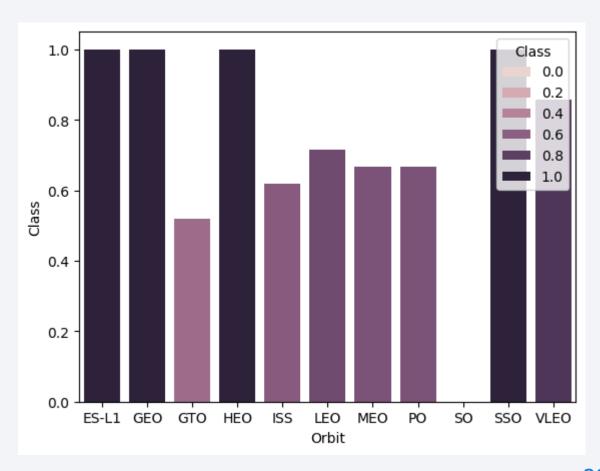
### Payload vs. Launch Site

• For the CCAFS SLC 40 launch site, the payload mass and the landing outcome appear to not be strongly correlated



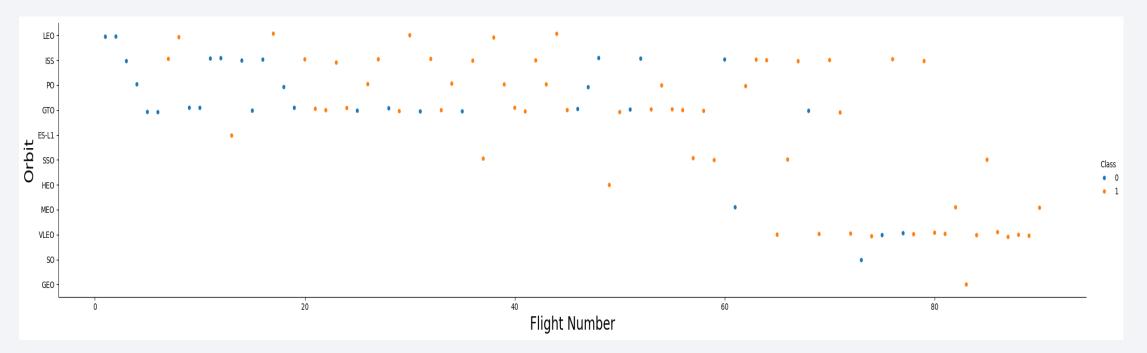
### Success Rate vs. Orbit Type

• ES-L1, SSO, HEO and GEO orbits have no failed first stage landings.



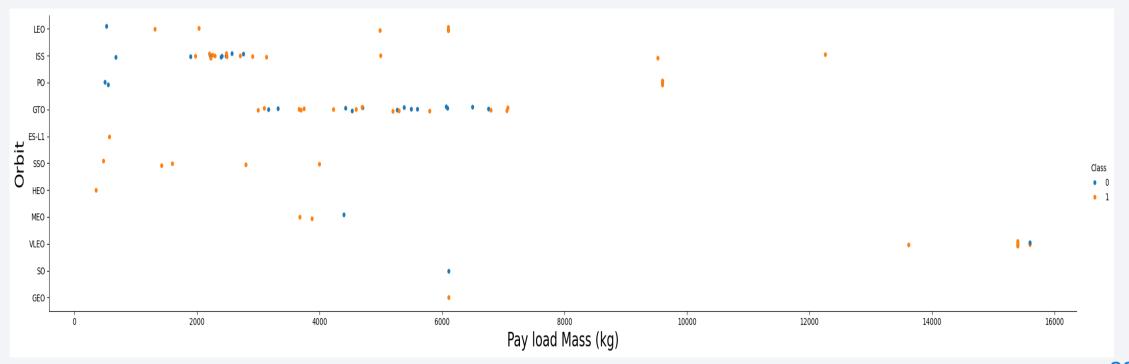
## Flight Number vs. Orbit Type

• There is a correlation between flight number and success rate with larger flight numbers being associated with higher success rates.



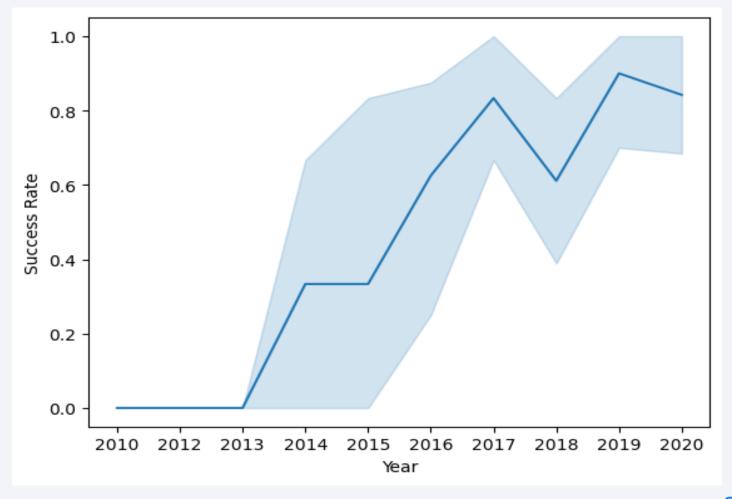
# Payload vs. Orbit Type

• Success rate appears to have no obvious correlation with payload mass.



# Launch Success Yearly Trend

• The success rate has increased significantly over the years.



#### All Launch Site Names

• We used the key word **DISTINCT** to show only unique launch sites from the SpaceX data.

```
%sql select distinct Launch_Site from SPACEXTABLE
        * sqlite:///my_data1.db
      Done.
[12]:
        Launch_Site
       CCAFS LC-40
        VAFB SLC-4E
        KSC LC-39A
      CCAFS SLC-40
```

# Launch Site Names Begin with 'CCA'

• We used the query below to display 5 records where launch sites begin with `CCA`

%sql selec	ql select * from SPACEXTABLE where Launch_Site like 'CCA%' limit 5									
* sqlite: Done.	sqlite:///my_data1.db one.									
Date	Time (UTC)	Booster_Version	Launch_Site	Payload	PAYLOAD_MASS_KG_	Orbit	Customer	Mission_Outcome	Landing_Outcon	
2010-06- 04	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Failure (parachut	
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 (parachu	
2012-05- 22	7:44:00	F9 v1.0 B0005	CCAFS LC- 40	Dragon demo flight C2	525	LEO (ISS)	NASA (COTS)	Success	No attem	
2012-10- 08	0:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-1	500	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attem	
2013-03- 01	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC- 40	SpaceX CRS-2	677	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attem	

### **Total Payload Mass**

 We calculated the total payload carried by boosters from NASA as 45596 using the query below

```
Task 3

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

[12]: %sql select sum(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_) from SPACEXTABLE where Customer='NASA (CRS)'

* sqlite:///my_data1.db
Done.

[12]: sum(PAYLOAD_MASS__KG_)

45596
```

### Average Payload Mass by F9 v1.1

• We calculated the average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1 as 2928.4

### First Successful Ground Landing Date

 We observed that the dates of the first successful landing outcome on ground pad was 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2015

```
Task 5

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

Hint:Use min function

[15]: **sql select min(Date) from SPACEXTABLE where Landing_Outcome='Success (ground pad)'

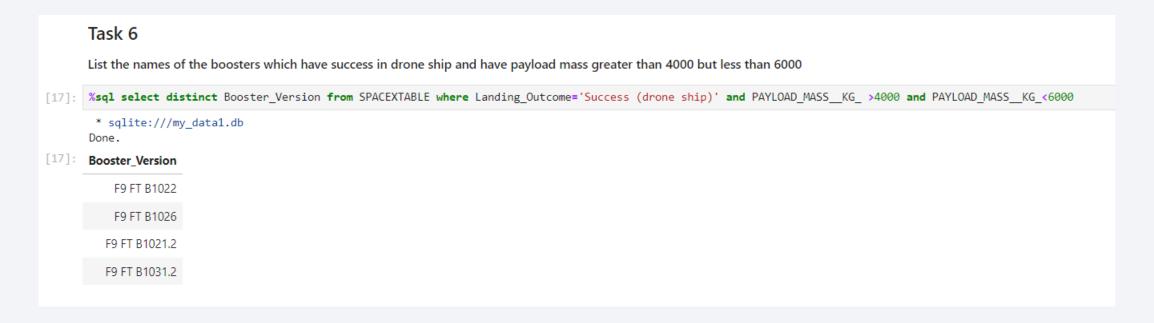
* sqlite://my_data1.db
Done.

[15]: min(Date)

2015-12-22
```

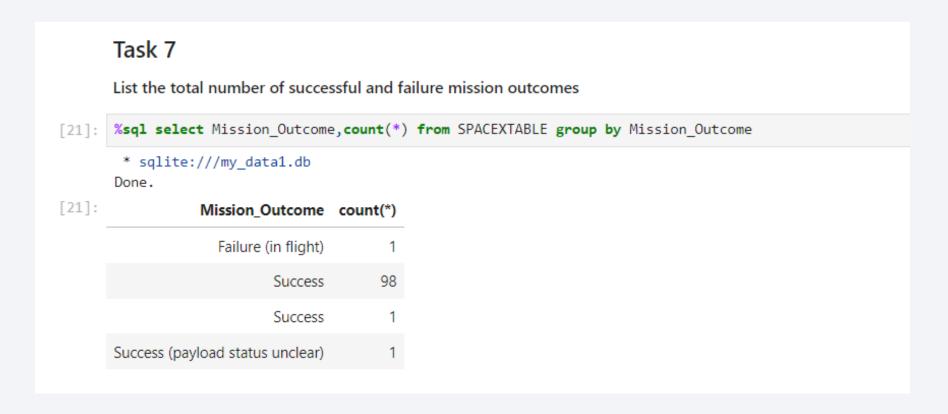
# Successful Drone Ship Landing with Payload between 4000 and 6000

• We used the WHERE clause 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

We used group by to get MissionOutcomes.



## **Boosters Carried Maximum Payload**

• We determined the booster that have carried the maximum payload using a subquery in the WHERE clause and the MAX() function.

```
[19]: %sql select distinct Booster Version from SPACEXTABLE where PAYLOAD MASS KG in (select max(PAYLOAD MASS KG) from SPACEXTABLE)
        * sqlite:///my_data1.db
       Done.
      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
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#### 2015 Launch Records

• We used WHERE clause condition to filter for failed landing outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for year 2015

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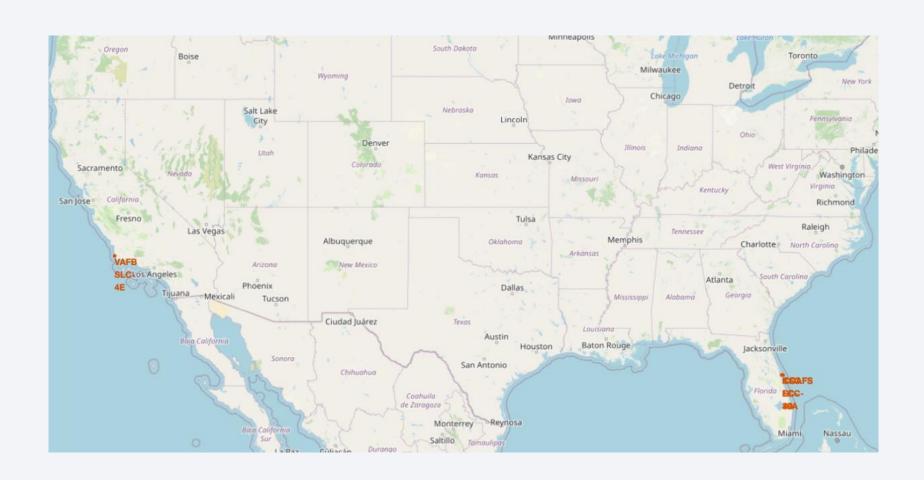
# Rank Landing Outcomes Between 2010-06-04 and 2017-03-20

- We selected Landing outcomes and the **COUNT** of landing outcomes from the data and used the **WHERE** clause to filter for landing outcomes **BETWEEN** 2010-06-04 to 2017-03-20.
- We applied the GROUP BY clause to group the landing outcomes and the ORDER BY clause to order the grouped landing outcome in descending order.

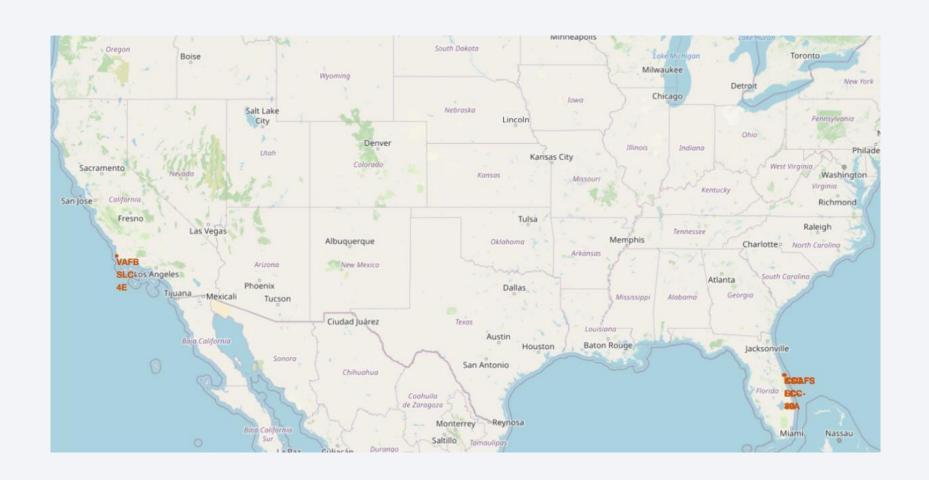




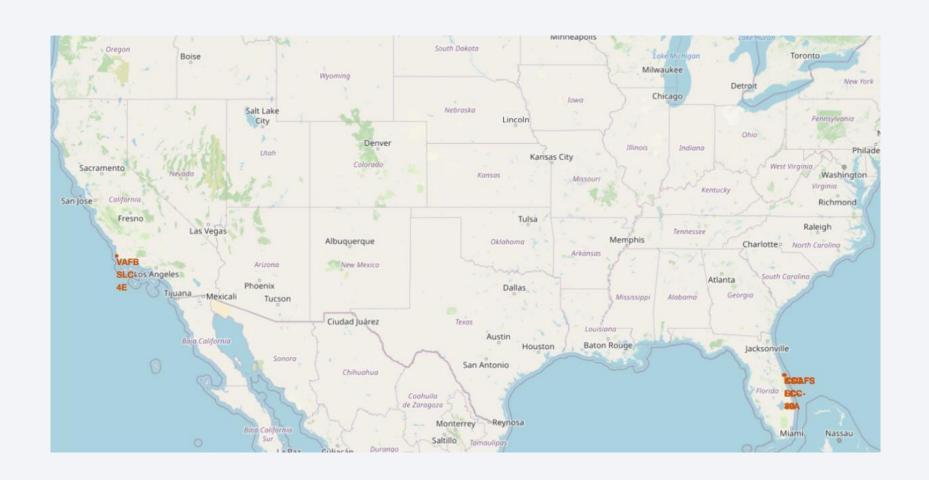
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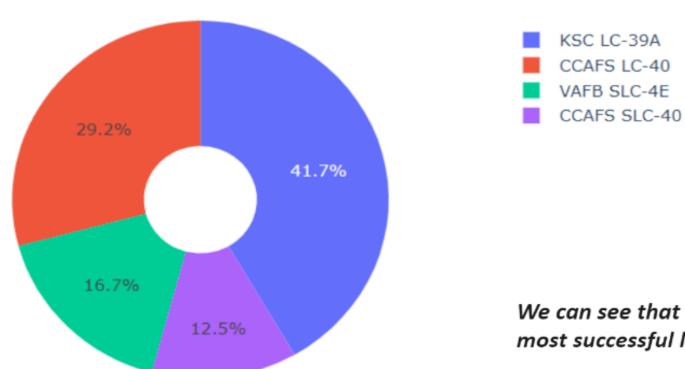
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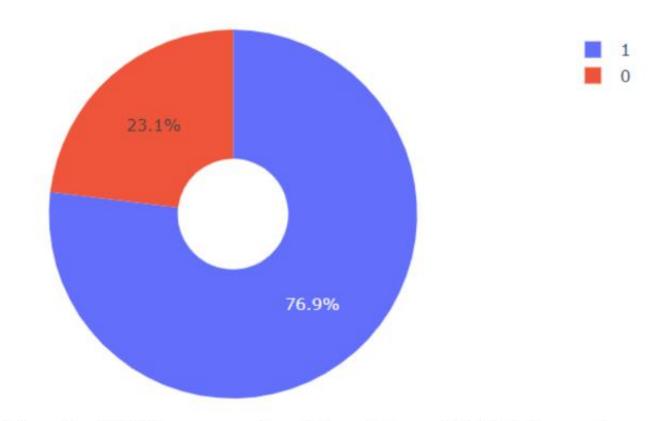
# Pie chart showing the success percentage achieved by each launch site

#### Total Success Launches By all sites



We can see that KSC LC-39A had the most successful launches from all the sites

# Pie chart showing the Launch site with the highest launch success ratio



KSC LC-39A achieved a 76.9% success rate while getting a 23.1% failure rate

# Scatter plot of Payload vs Launch Outcome for all sites, with different payload selected in the range slider



We can see the success rates for low weighted payloads is higher than the heavy weighted payloads



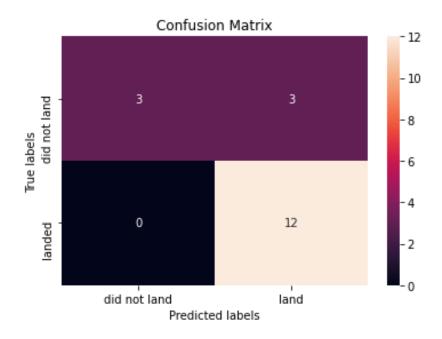
# Classification Accuracy

 The decision tree classifier is the model with the highest classification accuracy

Best params is : {'criterion': 'gini', 'max\_depth': 6, 'max\_features': 'auto', 'min\_samples\_leaf': 2, 'min\_samples\_split': 5, 'splitter': 'random'}

#### **Confusion Matrix**

 The confusion matrix for the decision tree classifier shows that the classifier can distinguish between the different classes.
 The major problem is the false positives .i.e., unsuccessful landing marked as successful landing by the classifier.



#### Conclusions

#### We can conclude that:

- The larger the flight amount at a launch site, the greater the success rate at a launch site.
- Launch success rate started to increase in 2013 till 2020.
- Orbits ES-L1, GEO, HEO, SSO, VLEO had the most success rate.
- KSC LC-39A had the most successful launches of any sites.
- The Decision tree classifier is the best machine learning algorithm for this task.