

Applied Data Science Capstone - SpaceX Historical Data Study



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY and INTRODUCTION



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- But we do have a good view of historical trend SpaceX launches and landings:
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 - Over the time SpaceX is capable for more payload mass.
- We have various nice visualizations of historical data:
 - Various static plots and tables using plotly or seaborn;
 - Interactive statistical plots using dash and geographical plots using folium.
- Predictions of landing outcome has accuracy of 85%.

Data collection and data wrangling methodology

- Use `"requests.get(spacex_url)"` to retrieve data and tables from website;
- Turn the above data into a pandas data frame to manipulate data. For example, the `"groupby"` method is frequently used;
- Can also use `"BeautifulSoup"` to parse the web information;
- `"ipython-sql"` makes it easier to do SQL operations in python jupyter notebook;
- Use `"seaborn"`, `"plotly.express"` or simply `"matplotlib.pyplot"` to plot figures in order to visualize data;
- Use `"dash"` to make interactive data visualizations.

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SpaceX Data collection and data wrangling results

The following are the occurrence of each orbit launched for SpaceX:

GT0	27
ISS	21
VLE0	14
P0	9
LE0	7
SS0	5
ME0	3
S0	1
HE0	1
GEO	1
ES-L1	1

The following are the landing outcomes of SpaceX:

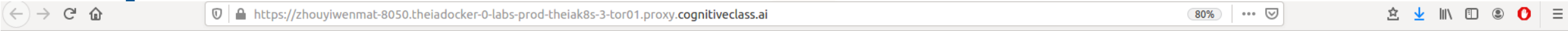
True	ASDS	41
None	None	19
True	RTLS	14
False	ASDS	6
True	Ocean	5
None	ASDS	2
False	Ocean	2
False	RTLS	1

The following are the Launch Sites of SpaceX:

CCAFS	SLC 40	55
KSC	LC 39A	22
VAFB	SLC 4E	13

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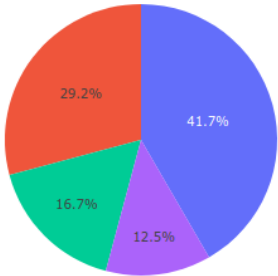
SpaceX Interactive Visualizations



SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

All Sites ✕

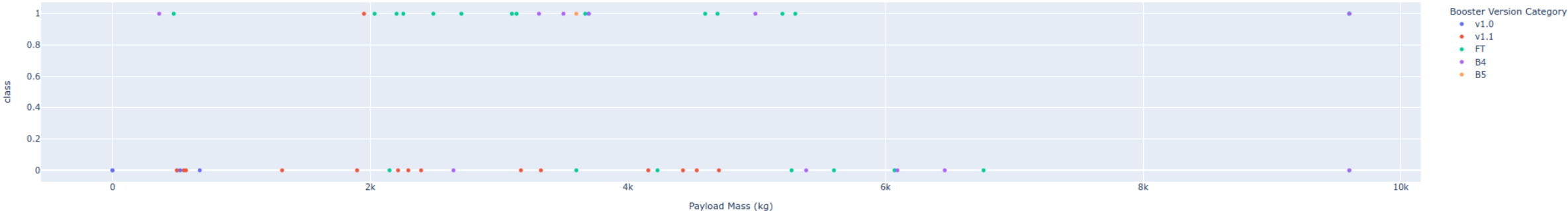
Total Success Launches by Site



- KSC LC-39A
- CCAFS LC-40
- VAFB SLC-4E
- CCAFS SLC-40



Correlation between Payload and Success of all Sites



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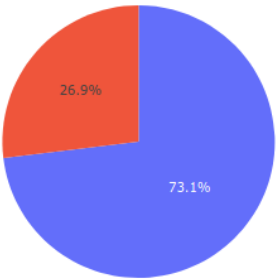
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SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

CCAFS LC-40

success launches in CCAFS LC-40



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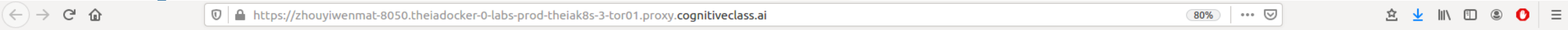


Correlation between Payload and Success of CCAFS LC-40



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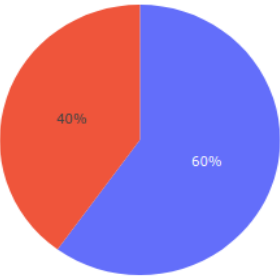
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SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

VAFB SLC-4E

success launches in VAFB SLC-4E



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Payload range (Kg):



Correlation between Payload and Success of VAFB SLC-4E



Booster Version Category
v1.1
FT
B4

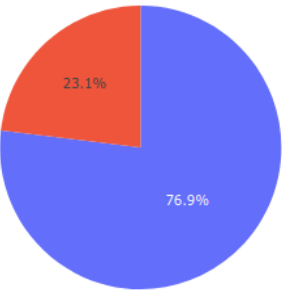
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SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

KSC LC-39A

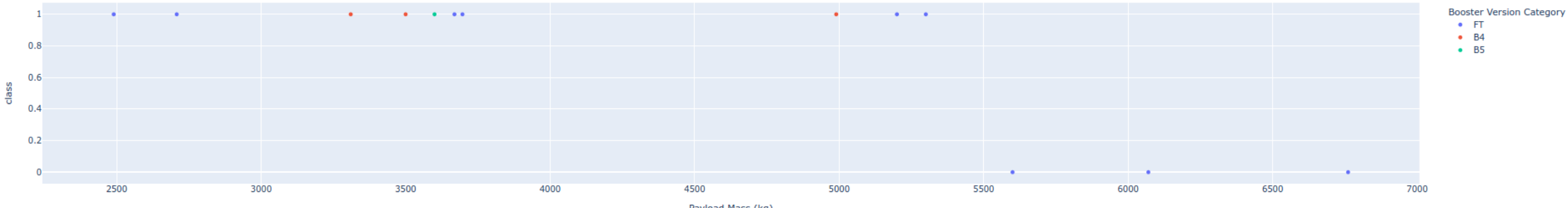
success launches in KSC LC-39A



Payload range (Kg):

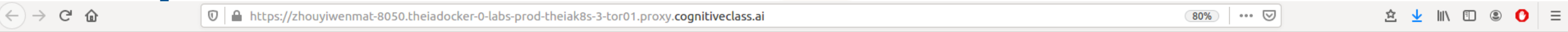


Correlation between Payload and Success of KSC LC-39A



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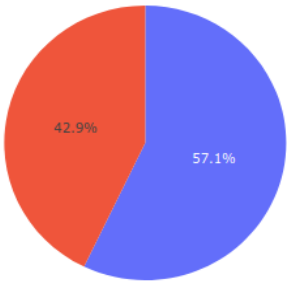
SpaceX Interactive Visualizations



SpaceX Launch Records Dashboard

CCAFS SLC-40

success launches in CCAFS SLC-40



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Correlation between Payload and Success of CCAFS SLC-40



Predictive Analysis Methodology and results

Goal: Predict whether a landing of Space X will be successful or not.

Method	Logistic Regression	Support Vector Machine	Decision Tree	K-Means
Best hyper-parameters	C = 0.01, penalty = l2, solver = lbfgs	C=1.0, gamma = 0.0316, kernel = sigmoid	criterion = gini, max_depth = 6, max_features = sqrt, min_samples_leaf = 4	algorithm = auto, n_neighbors = 10, p=1
Train set accuracy	0.846	0.848	0.891	0.848
Test set Score	0.833	0.833	0.889	0.833
False positive rate	0.167	0.167	0.111	0.167
False negative rate	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Conclusion:			Best performance	

EDA with visualization results

Exploratory Data Analysis results:

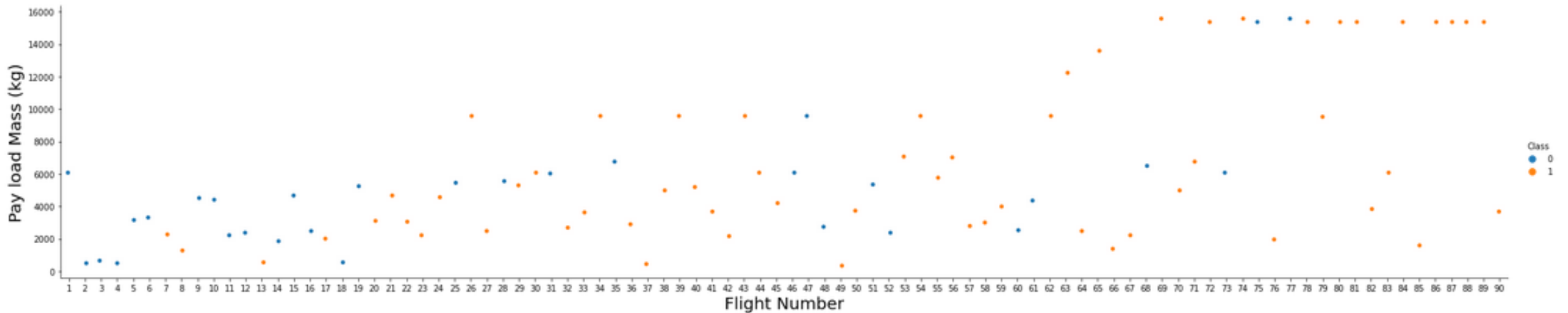
- More recent flights (with larger flight number) have been carrying more and more pay load mass, and success rate is also higher;
- Most of the unsuccessful landings were earlier flight numbers, which were mostly launched from CCAFS SLC 40;
- From VAFB SLC 4E never launched more than 10,000 pay load mass;
- SSO has highest success landing rate (100%); VLEO also has high success rate (85.7%); GTO / ISS / LEO / MEO / PO have similar success rate (50.0% ~ 70.0%);
- Latest (more recent) flight numbers have been trying new variety of orbits;
- Some orbits (like LEO / GTO / SSO) seem to have relatively consistent pay load masses;
- Success rate has been improved a lot in recent years. Current success rate is about 85%.

In the next few pages we show some plots supporting the above conclusions:

EDA with visualization results

1. More recent flights (with larger flight number) have been carrying more and more pay load mass, and success rate gets higher:

```
sns.catplot(y="PayloadMass", x="FlightNumber", hue="Class", data=df, aspect = 5)  
plt.xlabel("Flight Number",fontsize=20)  
plt.ylabel("Pay load Mass (kg)",fontsize=20)  
plt.show()
```

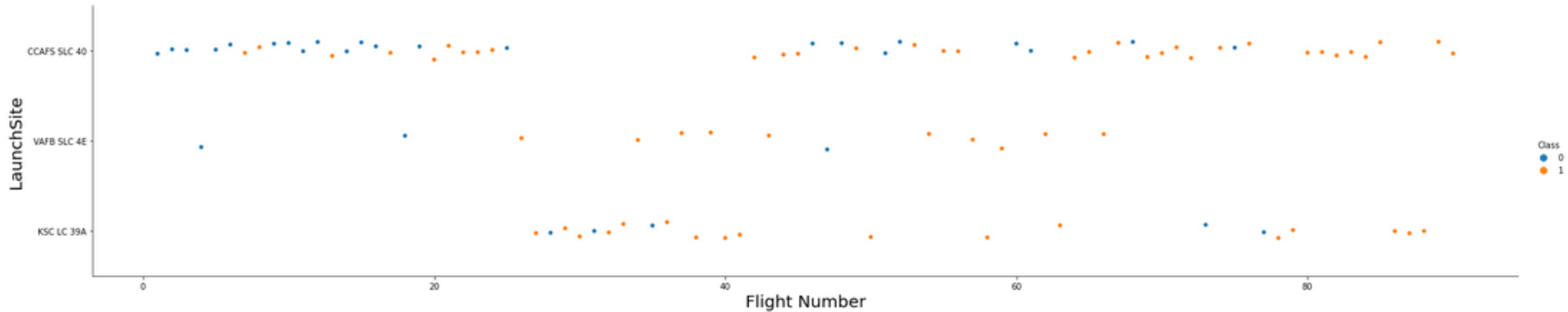


EDA with visualization results

2. Most of the unsuccessful landings were earlier flight numbers, which were mostly launched from CCAFS SLC 40:

```
# Plot a scatter point chart with x axis to be Flight Number and y axis to be the launch site, and hue to be the class value
```

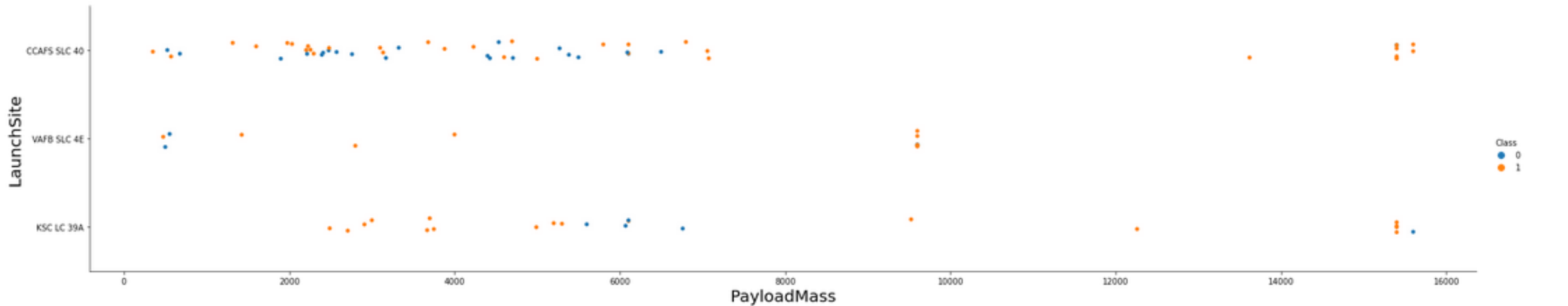
```
sns.catplot(y="LaunchSite", x="FlightNumber", hue="Class", data=df, aspect = 5)  
plt.xlabel("Flight Number",fontsize=20)  
plt.ylabel("LaunchSite",fontsize=20)  
plt.show()
```



EDA with visualization results

3. Most of the unsuccessful landings were earlier smaller pay load mass launched from CCAFS SLC 40;
4. From VAFB SLC 4E never launched more than 10,000 pay load mass:

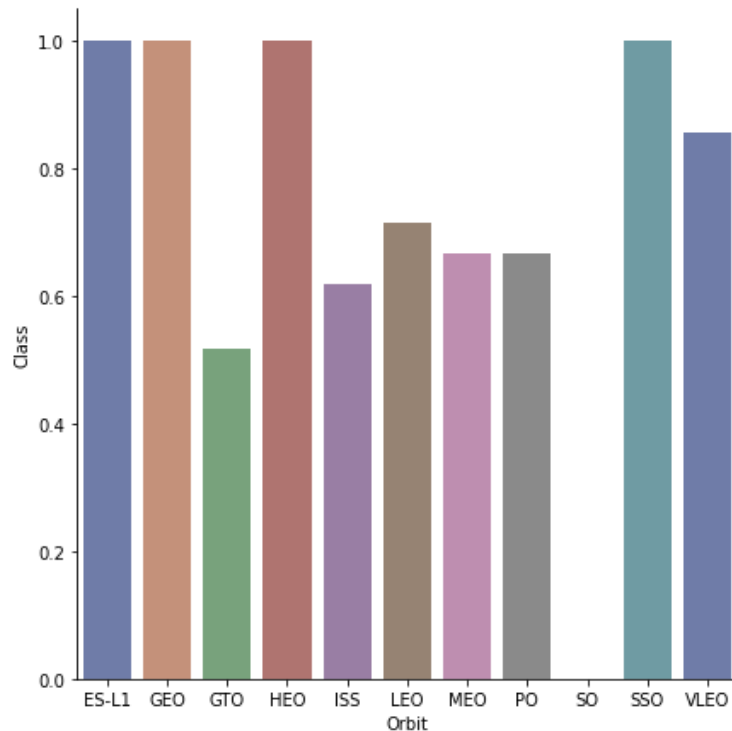
```
# Plot a scatter point chart with x axis to be Pay Load Mass (kg) and y axis to be the launch site, and hue to be the class value  
  
sns.catplot(y="LaunchSite", x="PayloadMass", hue="Class", data=df, aspect = 5)  
plt.xlabel("PayloadMass",fontsize=20)  
plt.ylabel("LaunchSite",fontsize=20)  
plt.show()
```



EDA with visualization results

```
sns.catplot(  
    data=sucrate_by_orbit, kind="bar",  
    x="Orbit", y="Class",  
    ci="sd", palette="dark", alpha=.6, height=6  
)
```

<seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x7fc3f83ea9d0>



Analyze the plotted bar chart try to find which orbits have high success rate.

Counts of launches
for each orbit:

	Orbit	Class
0	ES-L1	1
1	GEO	1
2	GTO	27
3	HEO	1
4	ISS	21
5	LEO	7
6	MEO	3
7	PO	9
8	SO	1
9	SSO	5
10	VLEO	14

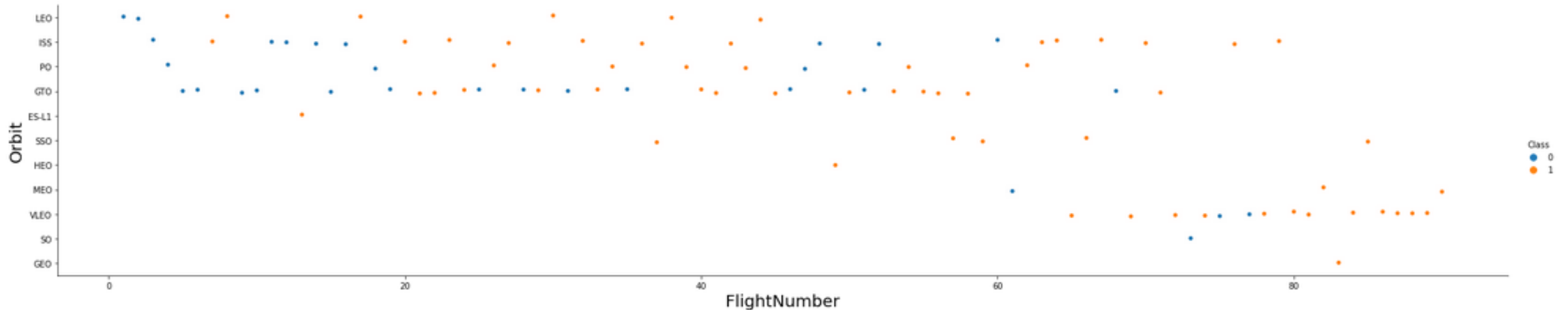
- 1) ES-L1 / GEO / HEO / SO each have only 1 sample point, so the success rate of them is statistical insignificant;
- 2) Among GTO / ISS / LEO / MEO / PO / SSO / VLEO:
 - SSO has highest success landing rate (100%)
 - VLEO also has high success rate (85.7%)
 - The rest have similar success rate (50.0% ~ 70.0%)

EDA with visualization results

6. We can see that latest (more recent) flight numbers have been trying different orbits:

```
# Plot a scatter point chart with x axis to be FlightNumber and y axis to be the Orbit, and hue to be the class value
```

```
sns.catplot(y="Orbit", x="FlightNumber", hue="Class", data=df, aspect = 5)  
plt.xlabel("FlightNumber", fontsize=20)  
plt.ylabel("Orbit", fontsize=20)  
plt.show()
```

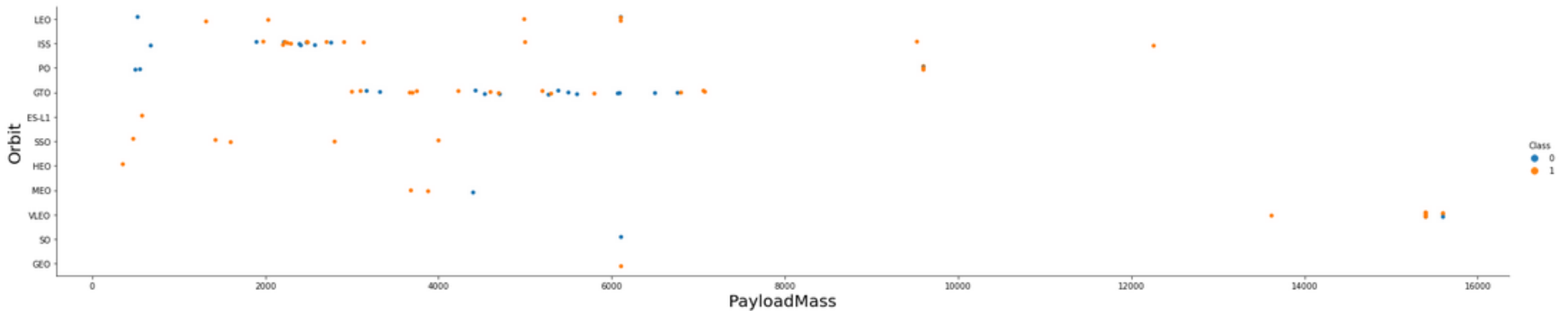


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7. Some orbits (like LEO / GTO / SSO) seem to have relatively consistent payload masses:

```
# Plot a scatter point chart with x axis to be Payload and y axis to be the Orbit, and hue to be the class value
```

```
sns.catplot(y="Orbit", x="PayloadMass", hue="Class", data=df, aspect = 5)  
plt.xlabel("PayloadMass", fontsize=20)  
plt.ylabel("Orbit", fontsize=20)  
plt.show()
```



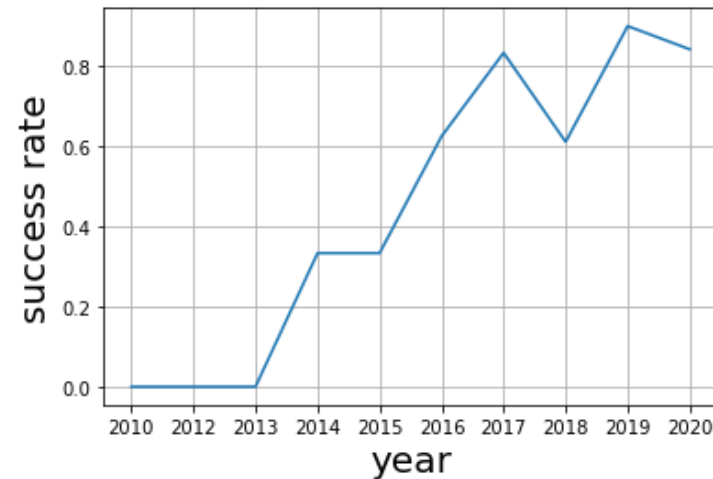
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8. Success rate has been improved a lot in recent years.

sucrate_by_year

	year	Class
0	2010	0.000000
1	2012	0.000000
2	2013	0.000000
3	2014	0.333333
4	2015	0.333333
5	2016	0.625000
6	2017	0.833333
7	2018	0.611111
8	2019	0.900000
9	2020	0.842105

```
# Plot a line chart with x axis to be the extracted year  
  
sns.lineplot(data=sucrate_by_year, x="year", y="Class")  
plt.xlabel("year", fontsize=20)  
plt.ylabel("success rate", fontsize=20)  
plt.grid()  
plt.show()
```



EDA with SQL results

Task 2

Display 5 records where launch sites begin with the string 'CCA'

```
%%sql
SELECT * FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE launch_site LIKE 'CCA%'
LIMIT 5
```

Task 1

Display the names of the unique launch sites in the space mission

```
%%sql
SELECT DISTINCT launch_site FROM SPACEXTBL
```

launch_site

- CCAFS LC-40
- CCAFS SLC-40
- KSC LC-39A
- VAFB SLC-4E

DATE	time_utc	booster_version	launch_site	payload	payload_mass_kg	orbit	customer	mission_outcome	landing_outcome
2010-04-06	18:45:00	F9 v1.0 B0003	CCAFS LC-40	Dragon Spacecraft Qualification Unit	0	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Failure (parachute)
2010-08-12	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 (parachute)
2012-08-10	00:35:00	F9 v1.0 B0006	CCAFS LC-40	SpaceX CRS-1	500	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt
2013-01-03	15:10:00	F9 v1.0 B0007	CCAFS LC-40	SpaceX CRS-2	677	LEO (ISS)	NASA (CRS)	Success	No attempt
2013-03-12	22:41:00	F9 v1.1	CCAFS LC-40	SES-8	3170	GTO	SES	Success	No attempt

EDA with SQL results

Task 3

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

```
%%sql
SELECT SUM(payload_mass_kg_) as total_payload_mass_NASA
FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE customer LIKE 'NASA%'
```

total_payload_mass_nasa
36679

Task 4

Display average payload mass carried by booster version F9 v1.1

```
%%sql
SELECT AVG(payload_mass_kg_) as avg_payload_mass_F9_v1_1
FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE booster_version LIKE 'F9 v1.1%'
```

avg_payload_mass_f9_v1_1
3226

Task 5

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

Hint: Use min function

```
%%sql
SELECT DISTINCT landing__outcome FROM SPACEXTBL
```

landing__outcome
Controlled (ocean)
Failure
Failure (drone ship)
Failure (parachute)
No attempt
Success
Success (drone ship)
Success (ground pad)

EDA with SQL results

Task 5

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

```
%%sql
SELECT MIN(DATE) FROM SPACEXTBL GROUP WHERE landing__outcome LIKE 'Success%'
```

1
2016-06-05

```
%%sql
SELECT * FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE DATE IN (SELECT MIN(DATE) FROM SPACEXTBL WHERE landing__outcome LIKE 'Success%' )
AND landing__outcome LIKE 'Success%'
```

DATE	time__utc__	booster_version	launch_site	payload	payload_mass__kg__	orbit	customer	mission_outcome	landing__outcome
2016-06-05	05:21:00	F9 FT B1022	CCAFS LC-40	JCSAT-14	4696	GTO	SKY Perfect JSAT Group	Success	Success (drone ship)

EDA with SQL results

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 FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE landing_outcome LIKE 'Success (drone ship)%'
AND payload_mass_kg BETWEEN 4000 AND 6000
```

booster_version

F9 FT B1031.2

F9 FT B1022

Task 7

List the total number of successful and failure mission outcomes

```
%%sql
SELECT landing_outcome, COUNT(*) AS count
FROM SPACEXTBL
GROUP BY landing_outcome
```

landing_outcome	COUNT
Controlled (ocean)	1
Failure	1
Failure (drone ship)	2
Failure (parachute)	2
No attempt	12
Success	18
Success (drone ship)	5
Success (ground pad)	4

EDA with SQL results

Task 8

List the names of the booster_versions which have carried the maximum payload mass. Use a subquery

```
%%sql
SELECT * FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE payload_mass_kg_ IN (SELECT MAX(payload_mass_kg_) FROM SPACEXTBL)
```

DATE	time_utc	booster_version	launch_site	payload	payload_mass_kg_	orbit	customer	mission_outcome	landing_outcome
2019-11-11	14:56:00	F9 B5 B1048.4	CCAFS SLC-40	Starlink 1 v1.0, SpaceX CRS-19	15600	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Success
2020-07-01	02:33:00	F9 B5 B1049.4	CCAFS SLC-40	Starlink 2 v1.0, Crew Dragon in-flight abort test	15600	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Success
2020-04-06	01:25:00	F9 B5 B1049.5	CCAFS SLC-40	Starlink 7 v1.0, Starlink 8 v1.0	15600	LEO	SpaceX, Planet Labs	Success	Success
2020-03-09	12:46:14	F9 B5 B1060.2	KSC LC-39A	Starlink 11 v1.0, Starlink 12 v1.0	15600	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Success
2020-06-10	11:29:34	F9 B5 B1058.3	KSC LC-39A	Starlink 12 v1.0, Starlink 13 v1.0	15600	LEO	SpaceX	Success	Success

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WHERE payload_mass_kg_ IN (SELECT MAX(payload_mass_kg_) FROM SPACEXTBL)
```

booster_version

- F9 B5 B1048.4
- F9 B5 B1049.4
- F9 B5 B1049.5
- F9 B5 B1058.3
- F9 B5 B1060.2

EDA with SQL results

Task 9

List the failed landing_outcomes in drone ship, their booster versions, and launch site names for in year 2015

```
%%sql
SELECT landing__outcome, booster_version, launch_site FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE landing__outcome LIKE 'Failure (drone ship)%'
AND DATE LIKE '2015%'
```

landing__outcome	booster_version	launch_site
Failure (drone ship)	F9 v1.1 B1012	CCAFS LC-40

Task 10

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

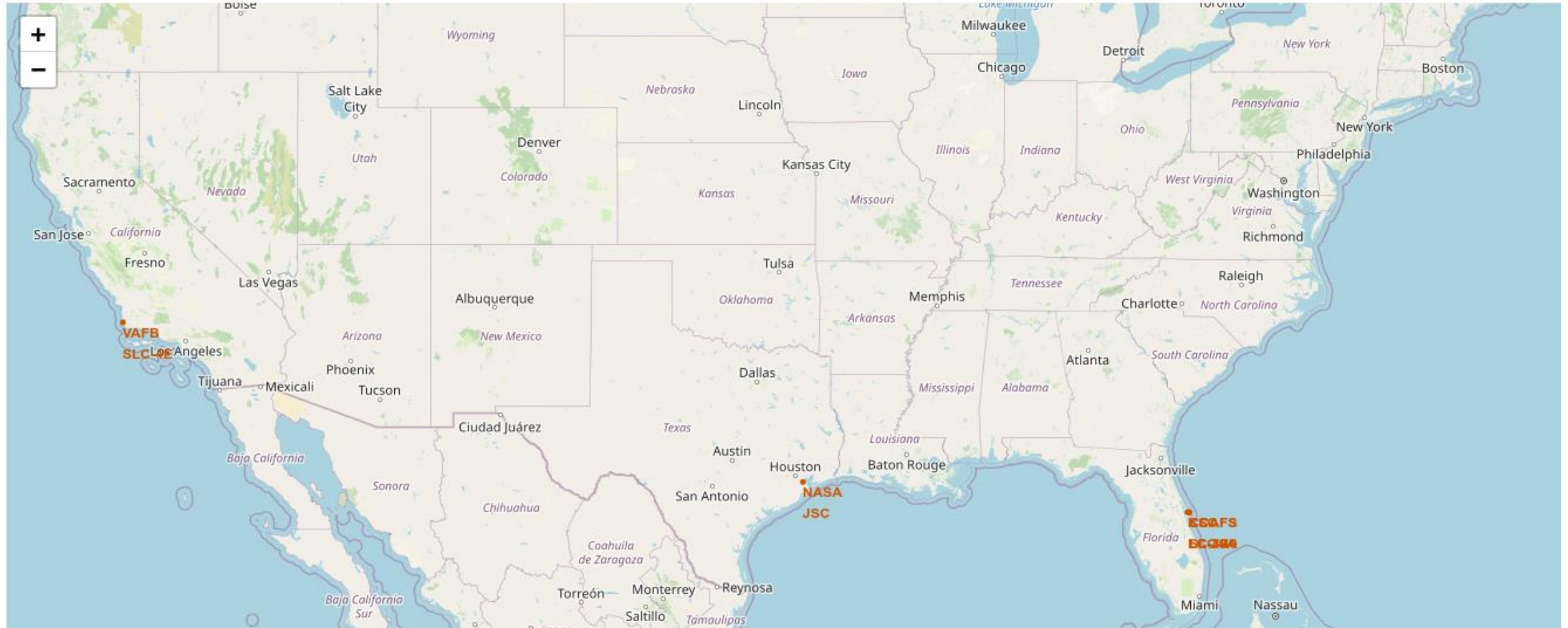
```
%%sql
SELECT landing__outcome, COUNT(*) AS count
FROM SPACEXTBL
WHERE DATE BETWEEN '2010-06-04' AND '2017-03-20'
GROUP BY landing__outcome
ORDER BY count DESC
```

landing__outcome	COUNT
No attempt	7
Failure (drone ship)	2
Success (drone ship)	2
Success (ground pad)	2
Controlled (ocean)	1
Failure (parachute)	1

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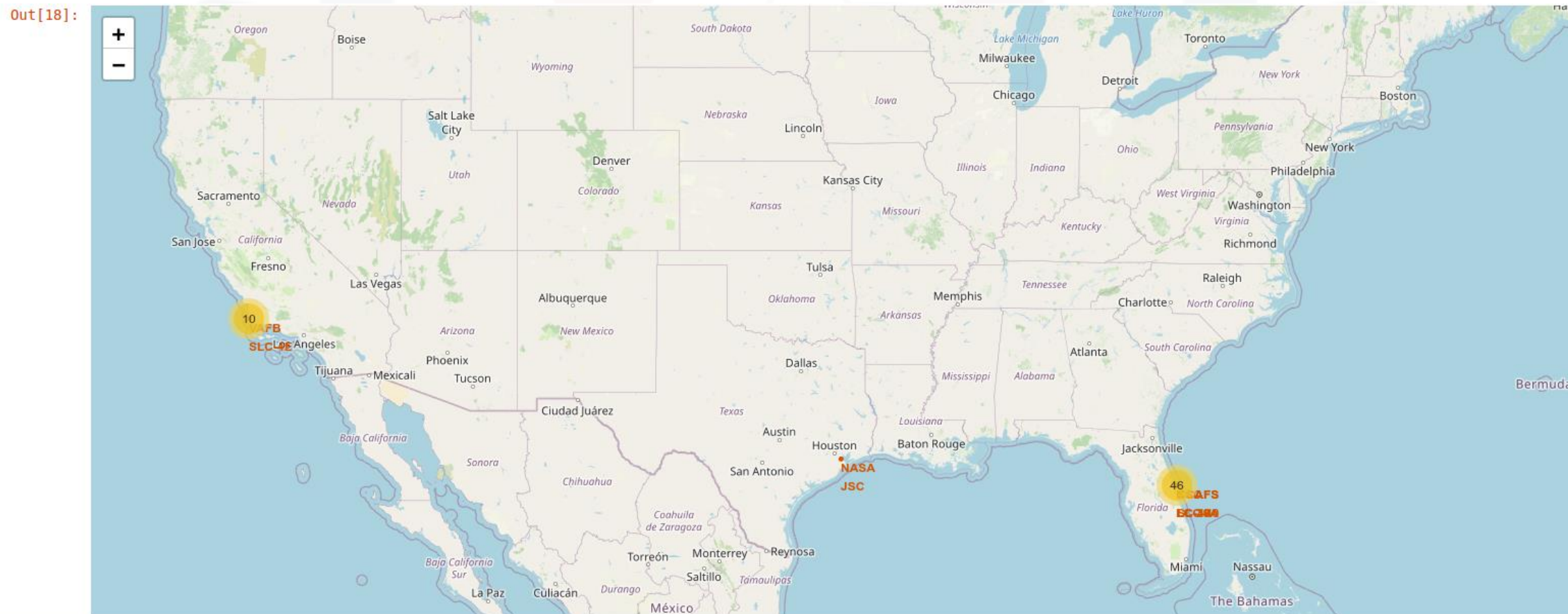
Interactive Map With Folium results

Task 1: Mark all launch sites on a map

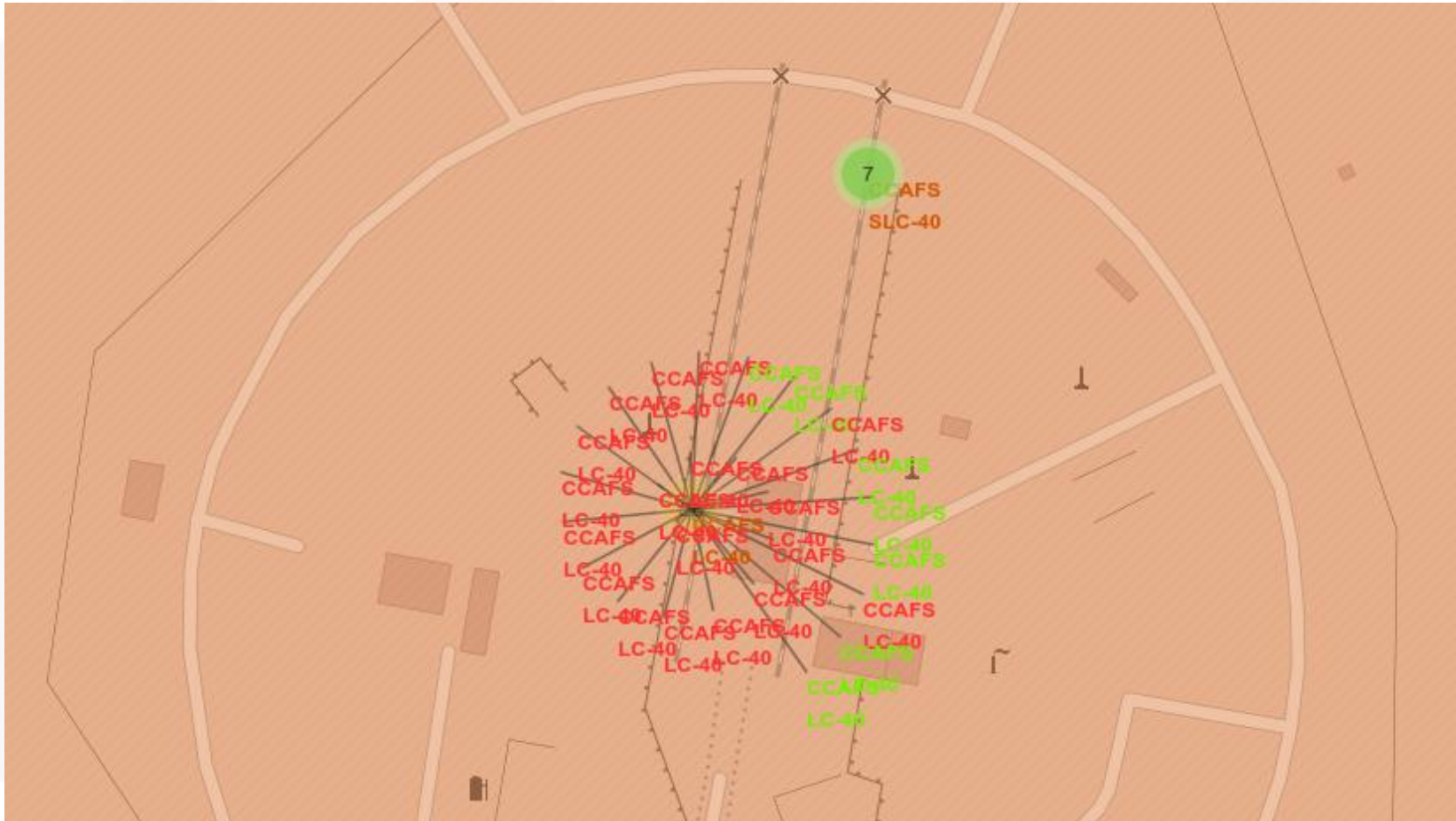


Interactive Map With Folium results

Task 2: Mark the success/failed launches for each site on the map



Interactive Map With Folium results



CONCLUSION



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