

IBM Data Science Capstone Project

(Week 1 , by Uygur Hizal)

Introduction to the Business Problem:

Hello and welcome to my project introduction.

In this project I will try to solve an imaginary business problem, to present as many skills as possible from the IBM Data Science Capstone multi Course Program in Coursera.

One Foreign Investor wants to invest and open a Clothing Store Business in one of the Germany's big cities. He has a concept in his mind, but as being foreigner, he has not much idea about Germany's City structure and therefore needs help.

He owns already a middle range Clothing Store Chain in USA. And this will be the first Store opened in Germany, therefore, it should meet some criteria to present his brand correctly.

After a meeting with him, he defined his business aim and informed me about the criteria's like following, it should be;

1. Opened in one of the big Cities in Germany (Population over 100.000 and more).
2. Within the max. 15 minutes walking distance from the Geographical coordinates of the City Center
3. As far away from other Clothing Stores as possible
4. As close as possible to Italian Restaurants, because his collections are mostly Italian designs and he thinks, the customers visiting the Italian restaurants can be more interested in store windows as walking
5. As close as possible to Hotels, because guests of the in-city hotels are generally tended to buy clothes nearby.
6. After all He stated honestly that, He needs a city that he can pay less possible salaries as he aims to give 20 employee job.
7. He added also, a city with highest possible unemployment rate would be an advantage for him, as finding personal in a short time. Otherwise he could wait longer to complete all employee team.
8. Population of the city also counts as a positive measure too. (City should be as crowded as possible)

In this point it is very important to interpret investor's desires and convert these sentences to the scientific statements. For example, He saying "...max. 15 minutes walking distance." means for a Data Scientist: with an average walking speed of 5 km/h pedestrian, 1250 meters from the Geocoordinates of that city center. And it will be used in Foursquare Api call as Radius measure (R=1250). i.e.:

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def getNearbyVenues(names, latitudes, longitudes, radius=1250):
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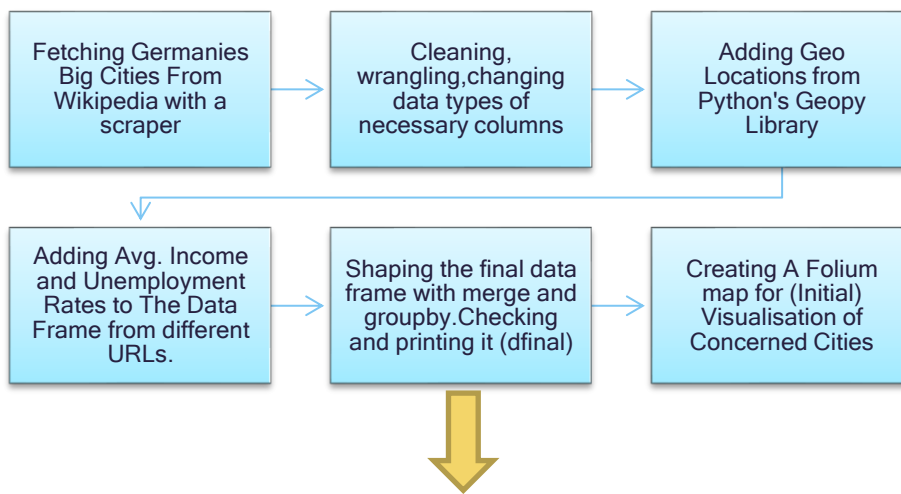
Necessary Data and its usage in this case:

As you may see from the business problem part above, I decided to add some more complexity to our standard course problem otherwise it could be solved only with foursquare venue data.

But in this case in addition to Venues data of all Major German Cities, we will be adding Socioeconomic information like **Population**, **Average Income /person**, **Average Unemployment Rate** and **Area** in km² of that city.

Description of the Data:

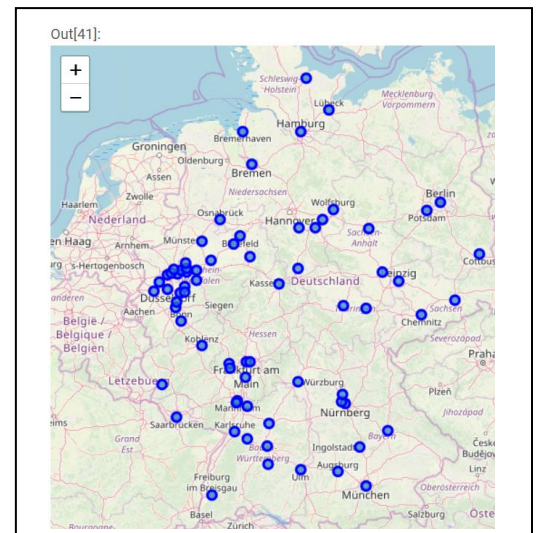
Part 1: Socioeconomic Data



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	City	Population 2018	Population/km ²	Area(km ²)	City_Lat	City_Long	Income /Pers. €	Average Unemployment rate
0	Berlin	3644826	4088	891	52.517037	13.388860	19719.0	8.100
1	Hamburg	1841179	2438	755	53.550341	10.000654	24421.0	6.300
2	München	1471508	4736	310	48.137108	11.575382	29788.0	3.100
3	Köln	1085664	2681	404	50.938361	6.959974	21608.0	7.850
4	Frankfurt am Main	753056	3033	248	50.110644	8.682092	21690.0	5.350
5	Stuttgart	634830	3062	207	48.778449	9.180013	25012.0	4.200
6	Düsseldorf	619294	2849	217	51.225402	6.776314	24882.0	6.700
7	Leipzig	587857	1974	297	51.340632	12.374733	19104.0	6.075
8	Dortmund	587010	2091	280	51.514227	7.465279	18946.0	10.200

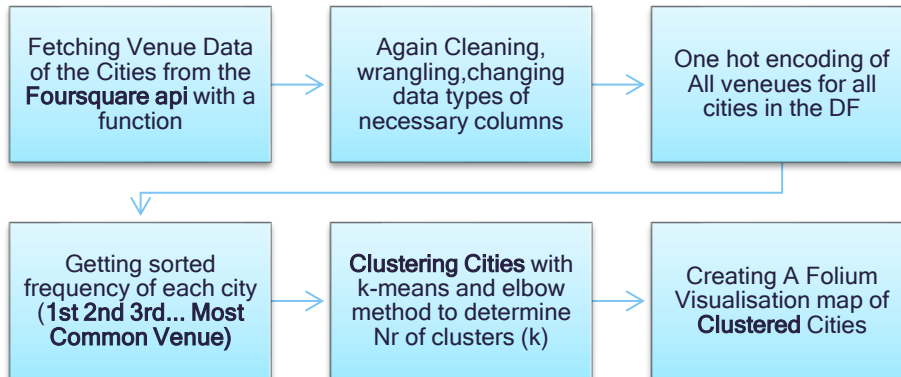
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Part 2: Cities Venue Data

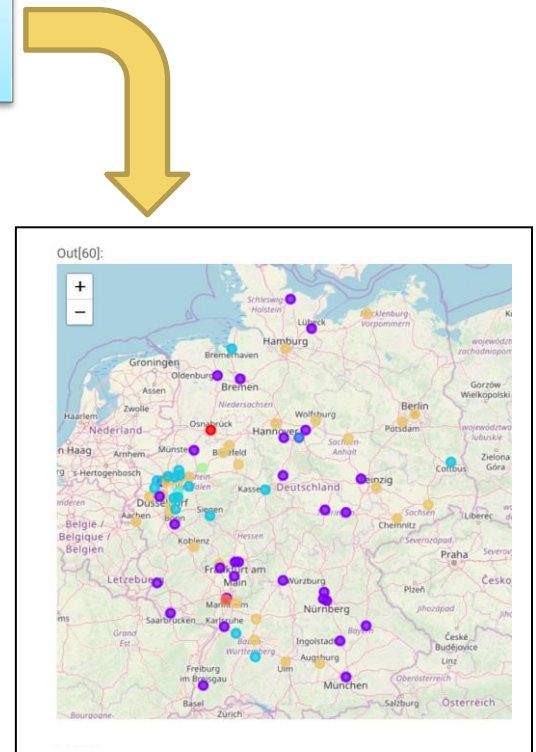
After obtaining and cleaning Socioeconomic data in part 1, now it is time to get all the venues for concerned cities.



City_venues_sorted

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	City	1st Most Common Venue	2nd Most Common Venue	3rd Most Common Venue	4th Most Common Venue	5th Most Common Venue	6th Co Ve
0	Aachen	Italian Restaurant	German Restaurant	Café	Bar	Bakery	Pa
1	Augsburg	Café	Italian Restaurant	Bar	Hotel	Pub	Bui
2	Bergisch Gladbach	Shopping Mall	Drugstore	Supermarket	Café	Clothing Store	Ele Sto
3	Berlin	Hotel	History Museum	Theater	German Restaurant	Art Gallery	Go Sh
4	Bielefeld	Bar	Mediterranean Restaurant	Burger Joint	German Restaurant	Restaurant	Bal
5	Bochum	Supermarket	Café	Bakery	Ice Cream Shop	Market	Re:

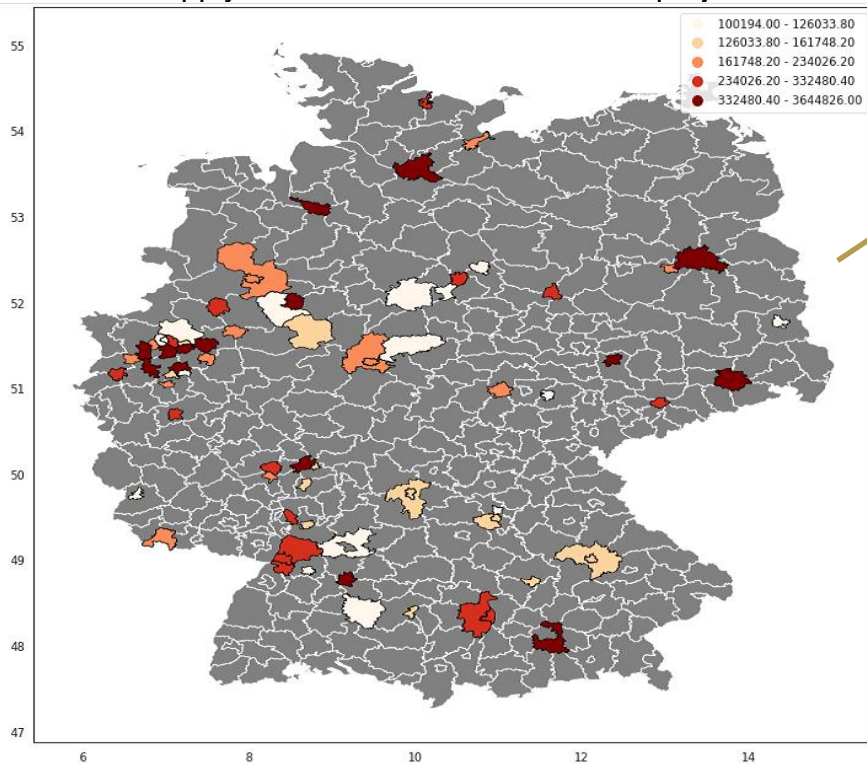


List of Data Sources:

- Foursquare API data based on free API calls
- Wikipedia site for Major Cities List in Germany
- Federal Statistical Office of Germany – (Statistisches Bundesamt) <https://www.destatis.de/>

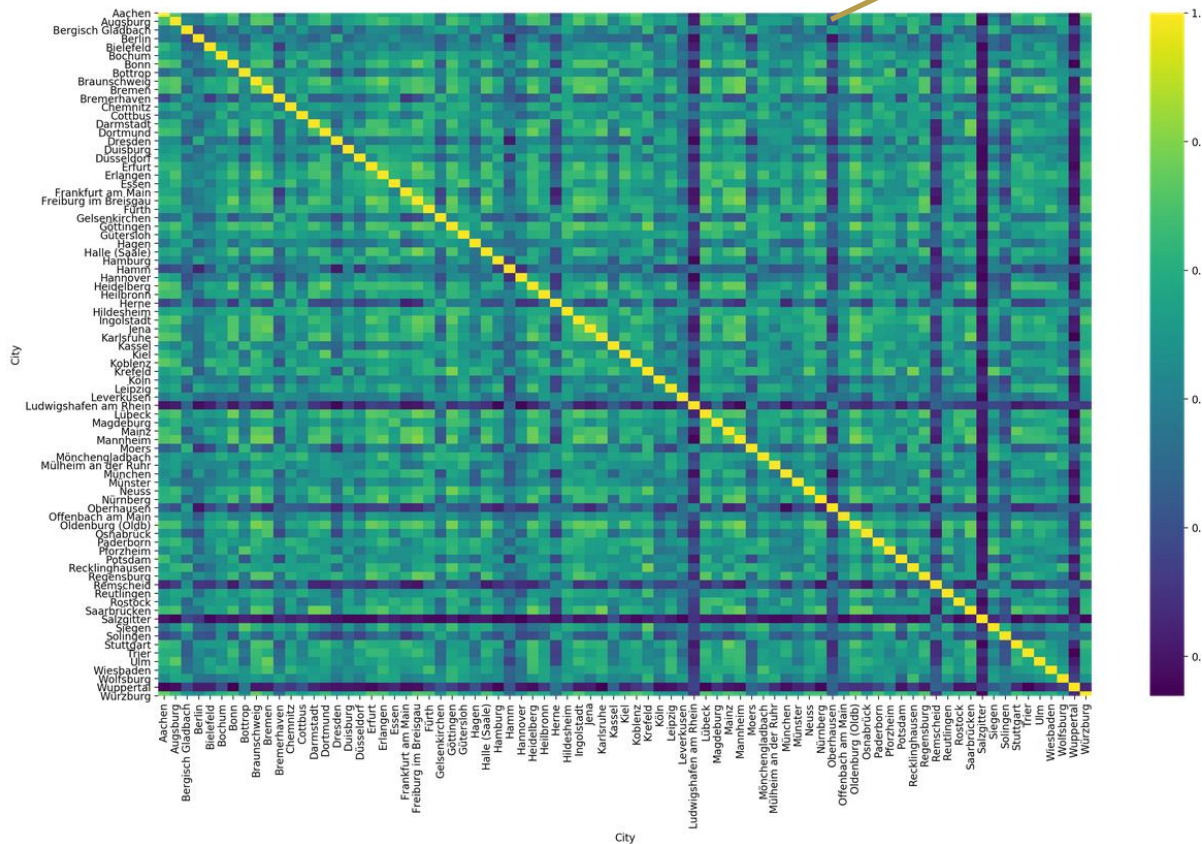
Some Extra informative Visualizations:

I have already added some extra visualizations to present achieved data frames better. They are not in the scope of the assignment but I hope, readers can find useful information and see how to apply some other methods to their projects.



Geo Pandas Library as
an alternative map
(Choropleth Map of Cities
population)

In [87]:



Seaborn Correlation
Matrix of Cities
(Venue Data)

After the preparation of both Socioeconomic and Hot encoded Venue information into the two different data frames, we still should combine / interpret these two data frames for a logical solution. At this point We will use the weighted properties matrix of investor desires.

Every feature that investor prerequisites from us, will be weighted to a scale from 1 to 10 in a manner of importance:

1. Opened in one of the big Cities in Germany (Population over 100.000 and more)

This is already satisfied because we have fetched cities only with population >100k

2. Within the max. 15 minutes walking distance from the Geographical coordinates of the City Center

This request is converted to an variable to use in Foursquare Api call (Radius = 1250 meters in search)

3. As far away from other Clothing Stores as possible

This request is very important for him and weighted as 9 points over 10 points. **(0,9)**

4. As close as possible to Italian Restaurants....

This request is somehow second degree and weighted as 5 points over 10 points. **(0,5)**

5. As close as possible to Hotels

This request is second degree in importance but still weighted as 7 point over 10 points. **(0,7)**

6. Cities that statistically less possible salaries are paid

For the investors salary issues are always important (☹), So it is weighted as 8 point. **(0,8)**

7. Cities with highest possible unemployment rate ...

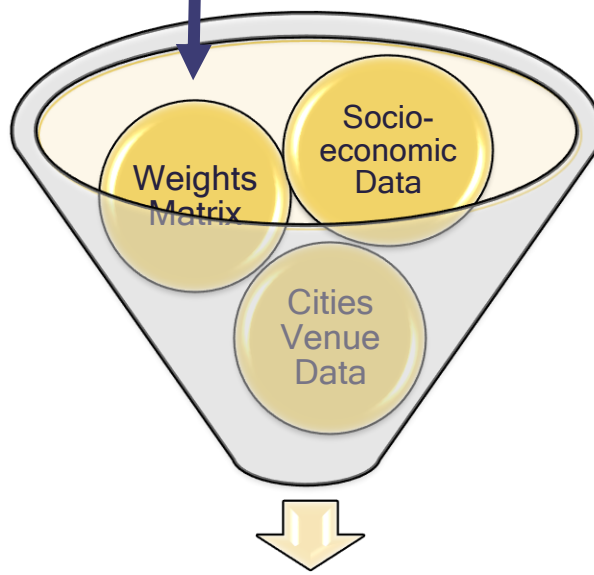
This request is also important but not more than salaries. So, gets 7 points over 10 pts. **(0,7)**

8. Population of the city also counts as a positive measure too. (City should be as crowded as possible)

Population value is directly related to the number of potential customers therefore it will be weighted as 8 points over 10. **(0,8)**

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Request 3} \\ \text{Request 4} \\ \text{Request 5} \\ \text{Request 6} \\ \text{Request 7} \\ \text{Request 8} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 0,9 \\ 0,5 \\ 0,7 \\ 0,8 \\ 0,7 \\ 0,8 \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array} = \text{Weights Matrix}$$

Correlation bit: (-1 for negatively correlated variables and +1 is for positive correlation) For example increase on value of the Request 3 variable (Amount of Clothing stores in the area) will be added as punishment to end Data Frame , as it is not desired. But increase on population is positively counts (+) to end Data frame, as it is an advantage)



Conclusion

Conclusion and final words will be added in week2

(not the scope of this week's assignment)

Thank You for your Reading

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