Capstone Project — The Battle of Neighborhoods Santiago By Aníbal Fernández

Introduction

Santiago is the capital city and the largest of Chile, as well as one of the largest cities in America. It is located in the center of Chile, and it is the most densely populated region, the Santiago Metropolitan Region, which total population is 7 million, in which more than 6 million live in the city's continuous urban area. Given the current circumstances due to the coronavirus, Santiago is detained at a commercial and gastronomic level, therefore it is a good opportunity to analyze and determine where could be a good place to put a restaurant, due the economic rise that will be generated at the end of the coronavirus emergency, added to its fabulous characteristics, such as being a city with the highest density and being the capital of the country.

Data Requirements

Datasource: https://es.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anexo:Comunas_de_Chile_por_poblaci%C3%B3n

Description: We will Scrap Santiago communes* table from Wikipedia and transform the coordinates of the major communes using in google maps. Using foursquare APIs we will get all the venues in each communes and then determine which communes are more attractive to locate a restaurant based on the different services and affluence nearly the commune.

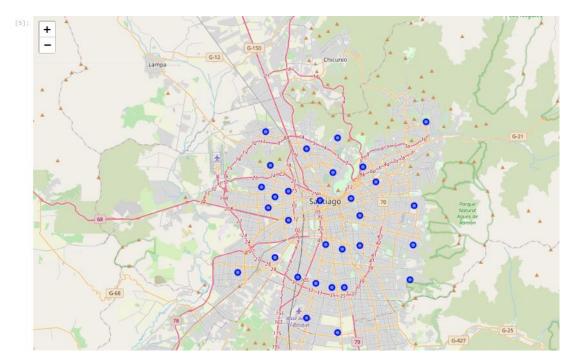
*The communes are the minor and basic administrative division of Chile. They correspond to what in other countries is known as a municipality.

Methodology

First, I used the table of the communes of Santiago in Wikipedia, and transform the latitud and longitud that is in degrees, minutes, seconds (DMS) coordinates to decimal degrees (dd) with Google maps and put the information in a Excel to import in a pandas data frame all the communes.

	<pre>df = pd.read_excel('Santiago-comunas.xlsx') df.head()</pre>							
	Commune	Surface (km2)	Population	Density (hab./km2)	Latitud	Longitud	Latitude	Longitude
0	Santiago	23.2	404495	17435.1	-33°26'14"	-70°39'26"	-33.437222	-70.657222
1	Cerrillos	21.0	80832	3849.1	-33°30'0"	-70°43'0"	-33.500000	-70.716667
2	Cerro Navia	11.0	132622	12056.5	-33°25'19.2"	-70°44'6"	-33.422000	-70.735000
3	Conchalí	10.7	126955	11865.0	-33°22'48"	-70°40'30"	-33.380000	-70.675000
4	El Bosque	14.2	162505	11444.0	-33°34'1.2"	-70°40'30"	-33.567000	-70.675000

Then I used Python folium to create a map and visualize the



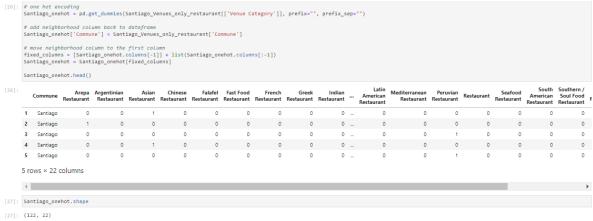
Finaly we use foursquare API and get the top 100 venues that are near Providencia within a radius of 500 meter. In resume of the data 23 venues were returned by Foursquare. Later we will concentrate only the restaurant and see the most frequently occurring venues

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[12]: print('{} venues were returned by Foursquare.'.format(nearby_venues.shape[0]))
      23 venues were returned by Foursquare.
[13]: print ('{} unique categories in Providencia'.format(nearby_venues['categories'].value_counts().shape[0]))
      18 unique categories in Providencia
[14]: print (nearby_venues['categories'].value_counts()[0:10])
      Pizza Place
      Sandwich Place
      Peruvian Restaurant
      Pool Hall
      Gym
      Southern / Soul Food Restaurant
      South American Restaurant
      Gastropub
      Coffee Shop
      Tattoo Parlor
      Name: categories, dtype: int64
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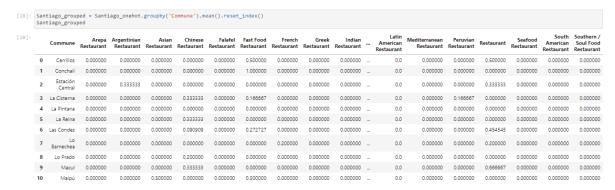
Then we look the most popular type of restaurant and which communes have more restaurants.

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[20]: Santiago_5_Commune_Venues_Top10 = Santiago_Venues_only_restaurant['Venue Category'].value_counts()[0:10].to_frame(name='frequency')
Santiago_5_Commune_Venues_Top10=Santiago_5_Commune_Venues_Top10:reset_index()
      #Santiago_5_Comm_Venues_Top10
      Santiago_5_Commune_Venues_Top10.rename(index=str, columns={"index": "Venue_Category", "frequency": "Frequency"}, inplace=True)
      Santiago_5_Commune_Venues_Top10
[20]:
             Venue_Category Frequency
      0
                    Restaurant
      1
             Chinese Restaurant
      2
               Sushi Restaurant
      3 Peruvian Restaurant 13
             Fast Food Restaurant
      5 South American Restaurant
             Japanese Restaurant
     7
           Italian Restaurant
      8 Seafood Restaurant
      9 Asian Restaurant
 [24]: Santiago_Venues_restaurant
 [24]: Commune
         Cerrillos
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         Lo Prado
         Macul
         Maipú
         Peñalolén
         Providencia
         Pudahuel
         Quilicura
         Recoleta
         San Miguel
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         Name: Venue Category, dtype: int64
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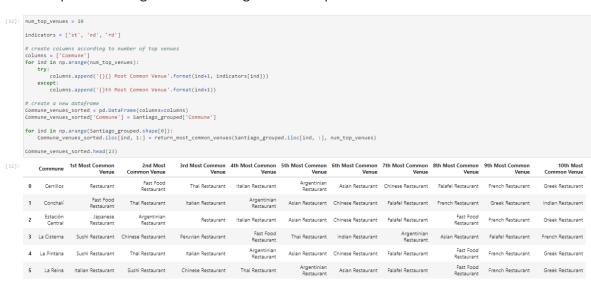
Then we analyze each commune to know about the top 5 venues of each one. We create a dataframe with pandas one hot encoding for the categories



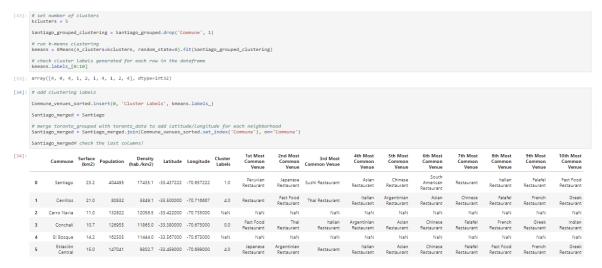
Using pandas groupby on neighborhood column and calculate the mean of the frequency of occurrence of each venue category



Then output each neighborhood along with the top 5 most common venues:



Finally, we try to cluster the communes based on the venue categories and use K-Means clustering that they learn previously.



Results

We find a interesting insight and information based on the previous analysis.

The 3 communes that have more restaurants are Santiago city center (27), Vitacura (15), Las Condes (11).

The largest frequency of restaurant are restaurant (not classified as a specific cousine), Chinese restaurant and sushi restaurant.

We not have information about Cerro Navia, El bosque, Huechuraba, Independecia, La Florida, La Granja, Lo espejo, Pedro Aguirre Cerda, Quinta Normal, Renca, San Joaquin, San Ramon. Some of this are the communes of Santiago with the most poor income but that doesn't mean that they are not suitable place to put a restaurant in term of population.

The commune of Santiago is in the center of the city, it is the most populate area, here are the patrimonial architecture buildings and government palace, so is the most connected area with more education establishments and private companies.

The clustering and the information result of the analysis are completely based from Foursquare data, for that reasons the result of the analysis have some bias, because it depends on other people who comment on the platform for us to use it.

Conclusion

Finaly we determine that the most tentative communes to put a restaurant are Santiago, Vitacura and Las condes. This information was taken by clustering the communes in Santiago City and is based on most common food restaurants. But some communes don't have any info in foursquare, but in any case this should be a reason to be discarded like La Florida that has a population of 366916 n and maybe it is a commune that can be attractive to explore or Huechuraba for instance that is a new business area in the city.