

Guidance

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1 Initial project scope

```
library(broom)
library(car)
library(classInt)
library(corrplot)
library(crosstalk)
library(DiagrammeR)
library(dplyr)
library(fs)
library(geojsonio)
library(ggplot2)
library(ggmap)
library(here)
library(janitor)
library(maptools)
library(mapview)
library(OpenStreetMap)
library(patchwork)
library(plotly)
library(RColorBrewer)
library(readr)
library(rJava)
library(rgdal)
library(RSQLite)
library(rgeos)
library(sf)
library(sp)
library(spatstat)
library(spdep)
library(stringr)
library(tidyverse)
library(tmap)
library(tmaptools)
```

1.1 Research Question:

- What are the factors that might lead to xxxxxxxxxxxx scores in the xxxxxxxx city?

1.2 Hypothesis:

- Null hypothesis: There is complete spatial randomness. No statistical significance exists in a set of given observations. There is no pattern - i.e. complete spatial randomness - in our data. There is no relationship between exam scores and other observed variables across London.
- Alternative hypothesis: Our data does exhibit a pattern.

1.3 Methodology:

1. The first step is always cleaning and pre-processing data, which is the foundation for any kinds of analysis and modelling.
2. Exploration Data Analysis(histograms and Q-Q plots for statistical information, KDE for spatial distribution, DBSCAN for spatial clustering, etc.) need to be done both for non-spatial and spatial fields. This step would clarify the simple relationship and some features inside the data.
3. Based on research purpose, the regression model also needs two important prerequisite to guarantee its adaptability and rationality.
 - The first one is “The xxxxxx’s happening does have summarizable and discernible spatial distribution characteristics and spatial patterns.” This indicates whether a spatial analysis rather than purely quantitative analysis should be utilized to address the research question. Hence, Spatial patterns analysis like KDE or DBSCAN should be operated to check whether there is random occurrences for the xxxxxxxxxx or not. If the result is complete random distribution, I’ll just do the basic quantitative analysis based on the non-spatial data.
 - The second one is “Spatial location information does play as a crucial and indispensable variable when building regression models.” This means which regression model should be utilized to analysis and predict the xxxxxxx. I suppose spatial autocorrelation methods should be used to examine the adaptability of Tobler’s Law.[[Tobler, 1970](#)] If there is no evidence showing geographical elements does affect the dependant variables distribution, then linear regression model or polynomial regression model should be the options. Otherwise, we should consider spatial information and select spatial regression models like spatial lag and spatial error models or geographically weighted regression models.
4. Afterwards, some advanced filtering or merging should be operated based on the ESDA, after which some cleansed columns and features could be extracted from the raw data and regarded as the independent variables for regression model to test the hypothesis. The variables selection process should also take some background context and research purpose into consideration.
5. Then, modelling part should be emphasized on which model should be selected. Regression Model selection will refer to all above previous analysis and prerequisites. After establishing a baseline model, the focus shifts to evaluating and refining this model. This involves comparing the baseline model’s performance against the spatial models, using metrics such as R-squared, AIC, or RMSE for validation and visualization. This process of model selection and refinement is central to achieving reliable and meaningful insights from the spatial analysis.
6. At the End, all results and features would be generalized and summarized, and a primary research conclusion will be drawn towards the initial question.

1.4 Potential Limitation of data and methods

1.4.1 Data Limitation

- Issues with Spatial Scale: The spatial scale of the data (e.g., geographic extent and resolution) can affect the analysis outcomes. Different spatial scales may reveal different patterns and relationships.
- Data Quality and Completeness: The dataset may have missing or inaccurate data, leading to biased analysis results. And we will also drop part of the data due to some NAs or administrative boundaries, which will also impact on dataset’s completeness.

1.4.2 Methods Limitation

- Non-independence of Spatial Data: Traditional non-spatial regression models often assume independence between observations, which may not hold true for spatial data. Spatial dependence between neighboring locations can impact the accuracy of the model.

- Spatial Autocorrelation in Residuals: In many regression models, spatial autocorrelation in residuals is considered a serious violation. If residuals from the model show spatial clustering, it might indicate that key variables are missing from the model.

1.5 RMD environment configuration

Before the specific illustration and analysis procedure, some environment configuration should be down to guarantee this .RMD file's robust on various platform and devices.

- Download .bib and .csl file remotely for reference

```
# download reference.bib remotely from my github
download.file("https://github.com/xxxxxxx.bib",
             destfile=here::here("reference.bib"))

# download reference.bib remotely from my github
download.file("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/BohaoSuCC/CASA0005BohaoSu/main/ucl-institute-of-education-harvard.csl",
             destfile=here::here("ucl-institute-of-education-harvard.csl"))
```

- Create Data Folder for Loading and Saving Data

```
# create the folder storing data for a better robust
folder_name <- "Data"

# get the root dir
root_dir <- here::here()

# construct the full path
folder_path <- file.path(root_dir, folder_name)

# check if the folder already exists
if (!dir.exists(folder_path)) {
  dir.create(folder_path)
  message("Folder '", folder_name, "' created at ", folder_path)
} else {
  message("Folder '", folder_name, "' already exists at ", folder_path)
}
```

2 Data Introduction

2.1 Downloading, Unzipping and loading the data

```
#Downloading the relating files and save and unzip it.
download.file("https://data.london.gov.uk/download/statistical-gis-boundary-files-london/9ba8c833-637",
             destfile=here::here("Data", "statistical-gis-boundaries-london.zip"))

listfiles<-dir_info(here::here("Data")) %>%
  dplyr::filter(str_detect(path, "london.zip")) %>%
  dplyr::select(path)%>%
  pull()%>%
  #print out the .gz file
  print()%>%
  as.character()%>%
  utils::unzip(exdir=here::here("Data"))

# reading the shp
```

```

Londonwards<-fs::dir_info(here::here("Data",
                                   "statistical-gis-boundaries-london",
                                   "ESRI"))%>%

  # $ means exact match
  dplyr::filter(str_detect(path,
                           "London_Ward_CityMerged.shp$"))%>%

  dplyr::select(path)%>%
  dplyr::pull()%>%
  # read in the file in
  sf::st_read()

# Reading the csv and Add na argument to make sure csv's robust
# replace all the nas as " "
data_test <- read_csv(here::here("Data","Evictions_20231212.csv"), na=c(" "))

LondonWardProfiles <- read_csv("https://data.london.gov.uk/download/ward-profiles-and-atlas/772d2d64-
                               col_names = TRUE,
                               locale = locale(encoding = 'UTF-8'))

# Reading the shp file
community_areas <- st_read(here::here("Data","geo_export_7fdf694c-62dd-4de4-8f17-0b5ca2408993.shp"))

```

2.2 Data Description

- The dataset is mainly about xxxxxxxxxxxx, containing xxxxxxxxxxxxxx in New York city. It is collected by xxxxxx and xxxx through xxxxx and published in the [xxxx's website](#).
- Another data is xxxxx.shp, containing geographical information features about xxxxxxxxxxx in xxxx city, which is published by xxxxx and can be public accessed through [xxxx's website](#).

2.3 NA values

In the dataset, the NA values could probably mean the missed data, unrecorded observations, inapplicable data points, etc.

```

# check all of the columns have been read in correctly
Column_type_list <- evictions_points %>%
  summarise_all(class) %>%
  pivot_longer(everything(),
               names_to="All_variables",
               values_to="Variable_class")
total_rows <- nrow(evictions_points)

# get the na values proportion of each column
Column_NA_ratio_list <- evictions_points %>%
  summarise_all(~sum(is.na(.))/total_rows) %>%
  pivot_longer(everything(),
               names_to="All_variables",
               values_to="Variable_NA_ratio")

# check the CRS and any error within spatial data
st_geometry(BoroughMap)

Column_type_list
Column_NA_count_list

```

From the statistical chart we could see there are totally xxxx rows(observations) containing NAs values. Technically, I don't think it is a high rate and these NA values could have a significant impact on my analysis.

Also, I am going to consider how to deal with those NA values with different solutions according to each column's role during my analysis. Anyway, the specific solutions to these NA values should align with research question and analysis requirement, so the detailed Data processing would be demonstrated in Data Cleaning and Processing.

2.4 Accuracy and Biasing

- Due to the absence of some accuracy information such as measurement errors, data validation processes, etc, I will focus on the biases of the data. According to the description on the website [xxxx's website](#), the purpose of collecting these data is mainly to xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, which might bring about the biases of not xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx. However, I do not think this kind of biases will bring obvious and significant impact on analysis results and conclusions, even though the data collection methods do have limitation which I would elaborate detailedly afterwards.

2.5 Coordinate Reference System (CRS)

- Explain the coordinate reference system used in the data, including its type (such as geographic or projected coordinate system) and specific name (like WGS 84, UTM, etc.).

```
# transform the non-spatial data into spatial data based on columns 'Longitude' 'Latitude'
Airbnb <- read_csv(here::here("listings.csv")) %>%
  st_as_sf(., coords = c("longitude", "latitude"),
           crs = 4326) %>%
  st_transform(., 27700) %>%
  # After, do some relevant filter for the useful info
  filter(room_type == 'Entire home/apt' & availability_365 == '365')

# Transform the CRS
sf_DATA_transformed <- st_transform(sf_DATA, crs = 32650)
```

- In this analysis, we have selected the [specify CRS, e.g., WGS 84, EPSG:4326] as our Coordinate Reference System (CRS). This CRS aligns well with our study's geographic scope that includes [mention the geographical extent, e.g., multiple countries, global analysis, etc.].
- Moreover, the impact of using [specify CRS] on my spatial analysis, especially in GWR where a spatial weight matrix really matters, is significant. And that requires distance measurement should be calculated, demonstrated and visualized precisely. Using projected CRS, I believe, should be a better choice for visualization, especially for some local-scale analysis and maps.

3 Data Cleaning and Processing

3.1 Dealing with NAs in spatial and non-spatial dataset

Some columns, such as xxxxxxxxxxxx, are extremely important that we couldn't extract any useful information if there are NA values. Besides, its high accuracy makes it harder to fill missing values, which leads us to nothing else but to drop them. Some of the columns, such like xxxx and some categorical data, we also could classify all the NA values as a new category. Some columns like xxxxxxxxxxxx, we could assume, based on the context of the study and common sense, that the missing values are 0. Although this approach may introduce some degree of inaccuracy, it is considered a practical solution since the proportion of NA values in these columns is very high. Therefore, dropping these columns outright would be an unwise decision.

```

# na.omit():      NA
#   object
#
library(dplyr)
DATA_cleaned <- na.omit(DATA)

# dplyr::filter():
#   .DATA      ...
#
DATA_cleaned <- DATA %>%
  dplyr::filter(!is.na(COLUMN_name))

# tidyr::replace_na():      NA
#   DATA      replace
#
DATA_cleaned <- DATA %>%
  replace_na(list(COLUMN = replacement_value))

```

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  replace_na(list(COLUMN = replacement_value))

```

3.2 Converting Datatype

And we will also convert some columns into specific datatype for more convenient processing.

```

# as.numeric():
#   x
#
DATA$COLUMN <- as.numeric(DATA$COLUMN)

#as.character():
#   x
#
DATA$COLUMN <- as.character(DATA$COLUMN)

#as.Date():
#   x      format
#   format = "%Y-%m-%d"
DATA$date_COLUMN <- as.Date(DATA$date_COLUMN, format = "%Y-%m-%d")

```

```
DATA <- DATA %>%
  mutate(COLUMN = str_replace_all(COLUMN, "\\$", "")) %>% # remove dollar sign
  mutate(COLUMN = str_replace_all(COLUMN, ",", "")) %>% # remove the comma
  mutate(COLUMN = as.numeric(COLUMN))
```

3.3 Delete or Filter outliers

```
#select all spatial feature with the city boundary and transform its CRS
BoroughMap <- LondonBoroughs %>%
  dplyr::filter(str_detect(GSS_CODE, "^E09"))%>%
  st_transform(., 27700)

#delete specific rows by filter and some arguments

DATA_cleaned <- DATA %>%
  dplyr::filter(COLUMN >= lower_limit, COLUMN <= upper_limit)

# only remain points which inside the boundary
BluePlaquesSub <- BluePlaques[BoroughMap, , op=st_within]
# to identify points completely within the borough outline, or a variety of other options such as st_

# plot the map to check to see that they've been removed
tmap_mode("plot")
tm_shape(BoroughMap) +
  tm_polygons(col = NA, alpha = 0.5) +
tm_shape(BluePlaquesSub) +
  tm_dots(col = "blue")
```

3.4 Data Format Normalization

```
#tolower():
# x
#
DATA$column <- tolower(DATA$column)

#toupper():
# x
#
DATA$column <- toupper(DATA$column)

#str_trim():      stringr
# string      side
# side = "both"
DATA$column <- str_trim(DATA$column)
```

3.5 Dealing with Repetitive or Unique rows

```
# make sure there is no more repetitive rows in the data
BluePlaques <- distinct(BluePlaques)

#duplicated():
# x
#
```



```
DATA_cleaned <- DATA[!duplicated(DATA), ]

#unique():
# x
#
DATA_cleaned <- unique(DATA)
```

3.6 DATA Integration

```
# non-spatial inner_join, right_join, full_join
DATA_combined <- left_join(DATA1, DATA2, by = c('SAME_COLUMN_NAME'='SAME_COLUMN_NAME'))

# spatial data join Argument could be
result <- st_join(x, y, op = st_intersects)

#plot the Pointsdata in the area
tmap_mode("plot")
tm_shape(BoroughMap) +
  tm_polygons(col = NA, alpha = 0.5) +
tm_shape(Pointsdata) +
  tm_dots(col = "blue")

# select by attribute
studyarea_window <- BoroughMap %>%
  dplyr::filter(str_detect(GSS_CODE, "^E09"))

#Check to see that the correct borough has been pulled out
tm_shape(studyarea_window) +
  tm_polygons(col = NA, alpha = 0.5)

#clip the data to our single borough
Pointsdata <- Pointsdata[studyarea_window,]
#check that it's worked
tmap_mode("plot")

tm_shape(studyarea_window) +
  tm_polygons(col = NA, alpha = 0.5) +
tm_shape(Pointsdata) +
  tm_dots(col = "blue")

# select by attribute
studyarea_window <- BoroughMap %>%
  dplyr::filter(str_detect(GSS_CODE, "^E09"))

#Check to see that the correct borough has been pulled out
tm_shape(studyarea_window) +
  tm_polygons(col = NA, alpha = 0.5)

#create a sp object
BluePlaquesSub<- BluePlaquesSub %>%
  as(., 'Spatial')

# create the window from above studyarea_window
window <- as.owin(studyarea_window)
```

```
plot(window)

#create a ppp object
Pointsdata.ppp <- ppp(x=BluePlaquesSub$Longitude,
                     y=BluePlaquesSub$Latitude,
                     window=window)
```

4 Exploration Spatial Data Analysis (ESDA)

Exploration Spatial Data Analysis (ESDA) plays an significant role in spatial regression modeling, primarily focusing on three key aspects. - First part contains acquiring statistical characteristics and distribution patterns of all non-spatial data, providing a solid foundation for selecting relevant independent variables for the model. This step is crucial for understanding the underlying structure and relationships within the data. - Second part involves cluster analysis to ascertain if the data exhibits spatial clustering, indicating non-random distribution across the space. This analysis verifies one of the prerequisites for spatial regression modeling, ensuring the data's suitability for such analysis.

- Another essential prerequisite will be checked in part3, which is the impact of geographical spatial differences on certain dependent variables in spatial data. This is accomplished by conducting spatial autocorrelation analysis, which helps to confirm if spatial factors significantly influence the variables in question, thereby validating the use of spatial regression techniques.

4.1 Distribution and coorelationship

```
data_test$Latitude <- as.numeric(data_test$Latitude)

clean_data <- data_test %>%
  filter_all(all_vars(!is.na(.)))

ggplot(clean_data, aes(x = Latitude)) +
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.01, fill = "blue", color = "black", alpha=0.5)

# var1
ggplot(data_test, aes(x = Latitude)) +
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 1, fill = "blue", color = "black")

# var1 var2
ggplot(data, aes(x = var1, y = var2)) +
  geom_point()

# - data num_var
ggplot(data, aes(y = num_var)) +
  geom_boxplot(fill = "lightblue", color = "blue")

# Bar charts
ggplot(data, aes(x = cat_var)) +
  geom_bar(fill = "lightgreen", color = "darkgreen")

# cormatrix---- data
numeric_data <- data[c("num_var1", "num_var2", "num_var3")]
#
cor_matrix <- cor(numeric_data)
#
corrplot(cor_matrix, method = "circle")
```

```
# numeric_data
# corrplot()
#method = "circle"
#"circle"
#"square" "circle"
#"ellipse"
#"number"
#"shade"
#"color"
#"pie"
```

4.2 Several Histograms

```
names(data_test)
```

```
## [1] "Court Index Number"      "Docket Number"
## [3] "Eviction Address"       "Eviction Apartment Number"
## [5] "Executed Date"          "Marshal First Name"
## [7] "Marshal Last Name"      "Residential/Commercial"
## [9] "BOROUGH"                "Eviction Postcode"
## [11] "Ejectment"              "Eviction/Legal Possession"
## [13] "Latitude"               "Longitude"
## [15] "Community Board"        "Council District"
## [17] "Census Tract"           "BIN"
## [19] "BBL"                    "NTA"
```

```
columns_name_datatest <- names(data_test)[c(13,14,15,16)]
```

```
# create a new list to save every histogram
plots_list <- list()
```

```
ggplot(clean_data, aes(x = Latitude)) +
  #geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.05, fill = "blue", color = "black", alpha=0.5)
```

```
# create a histogram towards every column and add it into the plot list
```

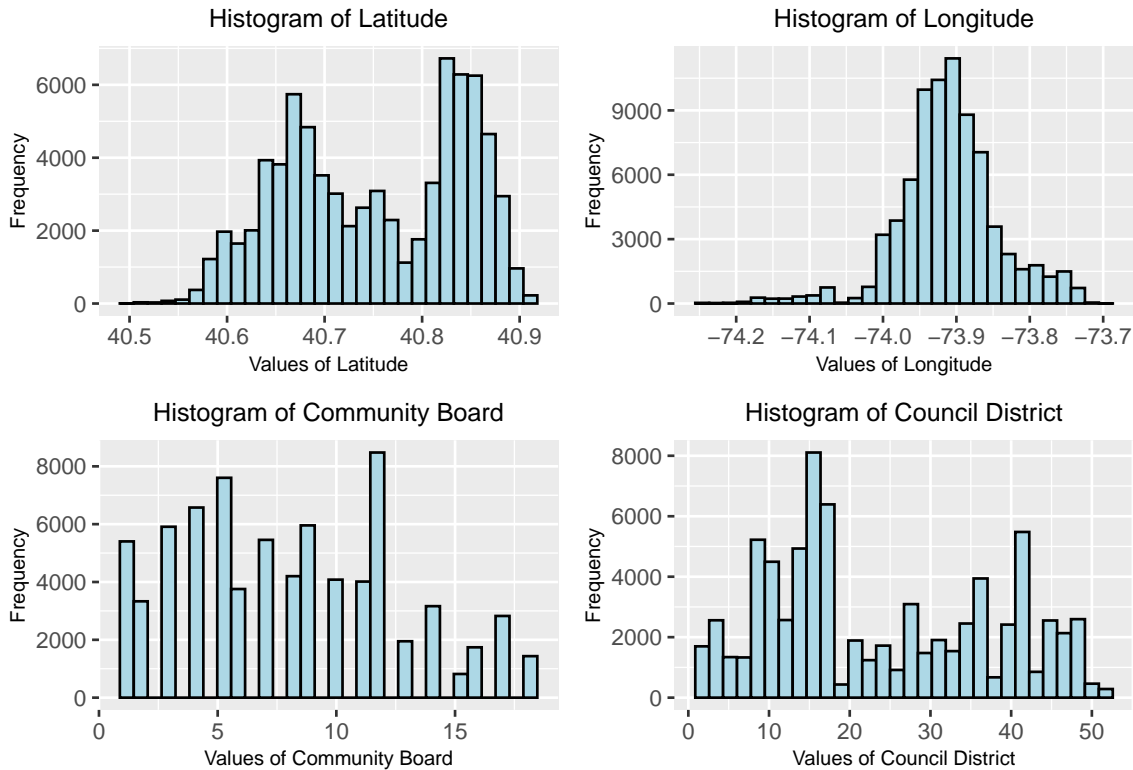
```
for (i in 1:4) {
  column_name <- columns_name_datatest[i]
  pic <- ggplot(data_test, aes(x = !!sym(column_name))) +
    geom_histogram(fill = "lightblue", color = "black") +
    ggtitle(paste("Histogram of", column_name)) + #
    xlab(paste("Values of", column_name)) + # X
    ylab("Frequency") + # Y " "
    theme(
      plot.title = element_text(size = 10, hjust=0.5), #
      axis.title.x = element_text(size = 8), # X
      axis.title.y = element_text(size = 8) # Y
    )
  plots_list[[i]] <- pic
}
```

```
# using patchwork to combine every histograms into a 2*2 grids
```

```
combined_plot <- wrap_plots(plots_list, ncol = 2) &
  theme(plot.title = element_text(size = 10, hjust=0.5),
    axis.title.x = element_text(size = 8),
```

```
axis.title.y = element_text(size = 8)
)

combined_plot
```



4.3 Spatial Distribution

In order to understand the spatial distribution, I utilized Kernel Density Estimation (KDE) for its analysis. This method could provide with an in-depth examination of xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx (specific aspect or feature of the data), enabling a clearer visualization of spatial concentration and patterns within the study area. The KDE plot is particularly effective in highlighting areas of high density or clustering, which is essential for the analysis of xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx (specific phenomena or geographic feature). - From the Heatmaps plot we could see xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

```
Pointsdata.ppp %>%
  density(., sigma=500) %>%
  plot()
```

- From the KDE (Kernel Density Estimation) plot, we can observe xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx. This suggests that the distribution of data exhibits a trend of xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, which is crucial for understanding xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx (specific data characteristic or geographic feature). Particularly in the region of xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, this distribution provides key insights into xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx (a relevant phenomenon or issue)."

4.4 Spatial Patterns

In spatial data analysis, identifying whether patterns are clustered or dispersed is crucial, which could also examine the prerequisite about Spatial distribution randomness. Two common methods for this analysis are Ripley's K function and DBSCAN.

- Ripley's K function is adopted at quantifying spatial dependence over various scales, offering insights into how spatial processes change with distance. It excels in identifying spatial patterns at specific scales but requires careful handling of distance scales and edge effects.
- On the other hand, DBSCAN (Density-Based Spatial Clustering of Applications with Noise) is a density-based clustering algorithm that identifies high-density regions as clusters while marking noise or isolated points. This method is particularly effective for complex or non-homogeneous spatial distributions due to its sensitivity to high-density areas and robustness against noise. While DBSCAN is sensitive to parameter settings, once the appropriate parameters are chosen, it can effectively highlight distinct clustering patterns in a more intuitive and easily interpretable manner.

Therefore, DBSCAN may be preferred in scenarios involving distinct clusters, irregular distributions, or significant noise in spatial data.

Before proceeding with the DBSCAN clustering analysis, I first utilize the KNNdistplot (k-nearest neighbors distance plot), which is extremely crucial for determining the parameters for the DBSCAN clustering algorithm, especially the eps and minPts parameters. The KNNdistplot could identify the density distribution among data points, thereby xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx. Based on this plot, I can select an appropriate eps value, which represents the maximum distance for points to be considered as neighbors, and moving on to the DBSCAN for clustering analysis.

“ KNNdistplot k- _____ DBSCAN eps minPts KNNdistplot
_____ eps _____ ”

```
#create a sp object
BluePlaquesSub<- BluePlaquesSub %>%
  as(., 'Spatial')

#create a ppp object
BluePlaquesSub.ppp <- ppp(x=BluePlaquesSub@coords[,1],
  y=BluePlaquesSub@coords[,2],
  window=window)

#first extract the points from the spatial points data frame
PointsdataSub <- Pointsdata %>%
  coordinates(.)%>%
  as.data.frame()

# check and find the proper eps and minpts by using kNNdistplot
BluePlaquesSubPoints%>%
  dbscan::kNNdistplot(.,k=4)
```

After conducting the DBSCAN clustering analysis, the results indicate xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, revealing spatial clustering patterns in the data. Each cluster represents xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, while noise points (points not assigned to any cluster) may suggest xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx. These clusters help us identify xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, such as concentrated trends or anomaly patterns in specific areas.

```
#now run the DBSCAN analysis
DBSCANoutput <- PointsdataSub %>%
  fpc::dbscan(.,eps = 700, MinPts = 4)

#now plot the results
plot(DBSCANoutput, PointsdataSub, main = "DBSCAN Output", frame = F)
plot(BoroughMap$geometry, add=T)

# add the DBSCAN result back to dataframe
Pointsdata<- PointsdataSub %>%
```

```

mutate(dbcluster=DBSCANoutput$cluster)

#create some convex hull polygons to wrap around the points in our clusters
chulls <- PointsdataSub %>%
  group_by(dbcluster) %>%
  dplyr::mutate(hull = 1:n(),
    hull = factor(hull, chull(coords.x1, coords.x2)))%>%
  arrange(hull)

#drop the cluster =0 out from the dataframe
chulls <- chulls %>%
  filter(dbcluster >=1)

#create a ggplot2 object from our data
dboutput_plot <- ggplot(data=PointsdataSub,
  aes(coords.x1,coords.x2, colour=dbcluster, fill=dbcluster))

#add the points in
dboutput_plot <- dboutput_plot + geom_point()
#now the convex hulls
dboutput_plot <- dboutput_plot + geom_polygon(data = chulls,
  aes(coords.x1,coords.x2, group=dbcluster),
  alpha = 0.5)

#now plot, setting the coordinates to scale correctly and as a black and white plot
#(just for the hell of it)...
dbplot + theme_bw() + coord_equal()

###add a basemap
##First get the bbox in lat long for Harrow
HarrowWGSbb <- Harrow %>%
  st_transform(., 4326)%>%
  st_bbox()

library(OpenStreetMap)
# create a basemap
basemap <- OpenStreetMap::openmap(c(51.5549876,-0.4040502),c(51.6405356,-0.2671315),
  zoom=NULL,
  "osm")

# convert the basemap to British National Grid
basemap_bng <- openproj(basemap, projection="+init=epsg:27700")

#autoplot(basemap_bng) sometimes works
autoplot.OpenStreetMap(basemap_bng)+
  geom_point(data=BluePlaquesSubPoints,
    aes(coords.x1,coords.x2,
      colour=dbcluster,
      fill=dbcluster)) +
  geom_polygon(data = chulls,
    aes(coords.x1,coords.x2,
      group=dbcluster,
      fill=dbcluster),
    alpha = 0.5)

```

Additionally, the characteristics and locations of these clusters can be used for xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, providing crucial insights for a deeper understanding of potential geographic phenomena in the study

area.

4.5 Spatial Autocorrelation

- Until now, I have checked the first prerequisite and prove that Data points' distribution do have certain patterns according to geographical information.
- The next step is to examine do data points' some columns(values) also have their special coorelation with geographical features?

The spatial autocorrelation analysis indicates whether the spatial distribution of variables is random or exhibits spatial dependency. This is crucial for xxxxxxxxxx, as it helps in ensuring the accuracy and validity of the spatial regression model.

4.5.1 Which method for spatial autocorrelation?

There are several spatial autocorrelation methods such as Global Moran's I[?], Local Moran's I[?], Geary's C[?], and Getis-Ord[?]. And I believe most suitable method depends on the comparing process between research objectives and methods' principles, advantages/disadvantages and applicability.

The local Moran's I and Getis-Ord are usually more adaptable to some local analysis, easier to identify local hotspots, coldspots, or spatial anomalies[?]. While my research goal at this step is to examine the existence of spatial autocorrelation in a global view, plus that Geary's C focuses more on measuring similarity between values in neighboring areas. Therefore, I choose Global Moran's I for the spaital autocorrelation analysis.

4.5.2 Which method for spatial autocorrelation?

Before performing spatial autocorrelation regression analysis, constructing a weight matrix is a prerequisite. The weight matrix, which represents xxxxxxxx, allows us to xxxxxxxx. From this matrix, we can infer xxxxxxxxxx, which is instrumental in understanding the spatial relationships among the observations."

The interpretation of spatial autocorrelation regression analysis involves xxxxxxxxxxxxxx. Key metrics such as Moran's I or Geary's C indicate xxxxxxxxxxxxxx. These results are significant for xxxxxxxxxxxxxx, as they provide insights into the spatial dependence and help in xxxxxxxxxxxxxx.

This could be very important for selecting the proper regression model, about whether we should take the spatial features into consideration in regression model.

5 Variables Selection

5.1 Selecting Independent Variables based on ESDA and Research Question

LASSO

5.2 DATA Normalization and Standardlization

```
#
normalize <- function(x) {
  return ((x - min(x)) / (max(x) - min(x)))
}

DATA_normalized <- as.DATA.frame(lapply(DATA, normalize))

# 2. Standardization
```

```

#      0      1
DATA_standardized <- scale(DATA)
#scale(x, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE)
#x
#center = TRUE
#scale = TRUE

#caret
# preProcess
library(caret)

preProcValues <- preProcess(DATA, method = c("range"))
preProcValues <- preProcess(DATA, method = c("center", "scale"))
DATA_normalized <- predict(preProcValues, DATA)
#preProcess(x, method)
#x
#method = c("range")
#method = c("center", "scale")

library(dplyr)
library(purrr)

DATA_normalized <- DATA %>%
  mutate_if(is.numeric, normalize)

DATA_standardized <- DATA %>%
  mutate_if(is.numeric, scale)

```

5.3 Create Variables for Generalising several similar columns

```

# 1.
# R      +, -, *, /
DATA$new_var = DATA$var1 + DATA$var2

# 2. dplyr mutate
#dplyr mutate
library(dplyr)
DATA <- DATA %>%
  mutate(new_var = var1 / var2)

# 3.
# ifelse dplyr case_when
DATA$new_var = ifelse(DATA$var1 > threshold, value_if_true, value_if_false)

DATA <- DATA %>%
  mutate(new_var = case_when(
    condition1 ~ value1,
    condition2 ~ value2,
    TRUE ~ default_value
  ))

# 4.
# lubridate

```



```

library(lubridate)
DATA$year <- year(DATA$date_var)
DATA$month <- month(DATA$date_var)

# 5.
# stringr
library(stringr)
DATA$new_var = str_sub(DATA$text_var, 1, 5) #

# 6.
# factor dplyr mutate as.factor
DATA$new_var = as.factor(DATA$var1)
DATA <- DATA %>%
  mutate(new_var = as.factor(var1))

# 7.
# scale
DATA$new_var = scale(DATA$var1, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE)

# 8.
# dplyr group_by summarize
DATA_summary <- DATA %>%
  group_by(group_var) %>%
  summarize(mean_var = mean(var1, na.rm = TRUE))

# 9.
#R          log, exp, mean, median
DATA$log_var = log(DATA$var1)

```

6 Regression Modelling

6.1 Spatial Baseline Model

Establishing a spatial baseline model typically refers to creating a basic regression model that accounts for spatial variability. This model serves as a benchmark for comparison, allowing the evaluation of the GWR model or other spatial models against non-spatial models, like ordinary least squares regression. The spatial baseline model usually includes variables relevant to the study but does not incorporate treatments for spatial variability, thus providing a clear view of the model's performance changes after introducing the spatial dimension.

```
#
```

6.2 Training set and Testing set

```
#
```

6.3 Model Applying

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7.1

```
# K MSE R2
```

7.2

```
# Grid Search Random Search
```

7.3 Residuals Analysis

In spatial regression models, ensuring that residuals are normally distributed is important because many statistical inferences (like tests for the significance of parameters) are based on the assumption of normality. If residuals are not normally distributed, this can affect the reliability of the model and the validity of the conclusions. Therefore, using a Q-Q plot to examine the normality of residuals in spatial regression models is a crucial step in model diagnostics.

```
# A Q-Q plot is a common method to check if data follows a normal distribution. In a Q-Q plot of a s
# Identifying Outliers: The Q-Q plot can also help identify outliers in the data. Data points that de
```

```
# Create the dataframe for normal distribution reference
data <- rnorm(100) # using the normal distribution random generated numbers.
df <- data.frame(sample = data)

ggplot(df, aes(sample = sample)) +
  stat_qq() +
  stat_qq_line(col = "red") +
  ggtitle("Q-Q Plot") +
  xlab("Theoretical Quantiles") +
  ylab("Sample Quantiles")
```

7.3.1

```
#
```

8 Conclusion

8.1 Summary

8.2 Research Limitation

8.3 Future Research

- Geography Detector
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