

Final Assignment for CASA0006

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1 Innovation in London: Relationship between patents and social spaces

2 Import package

Import the software packages used to analysis. The *linearmodels* need to be installed (Version: 6.0)

```
[1]: !pip install linearmodels
```

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Requirement already satisfied: linearmodels in /opt/conda/lib/python3.11/site-packages (6.0)
Requirement already satisfied: numpy<3,>=1.22.3 in /opt/conda/lib/python3.11/site-packages (from linearmodels) (1.24.4)
Requirement already satisfied: pandas>=1.4.0 in /opt/conda/lib/python3.11/site-packages (from linearmodels) (2.1.0)
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Requirement already satisfied: typing-extensions>=4.2.0 in /opt/conda/lib/python3.11/site-packages (from formulaic>=1.0.0->linearmodels) (4.7.1)
Requirement already satisfied: wrapt>=1.0 in /opt/conda/lib/python3.11/site-packages (from formulaic>=1.0.0->linearmodels) (1.15.0)
Requirement already satisfied: python-dateutil>=2.8.2 in
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Requirement already satisfied: six in /opt/conda/lib/python3.11/site-packages (from patsy>=0.5.2->statsmodels>=0.13.0->linearmodels) (1.16.0)

```
[2]: import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import numpy as np
import plotly

from statsmodels.formula.api import ols
from statsmodels.iolib.summary2 import summary_col

# Packages for panel regression
from linearmodels import PanelOLS
from linearmodels import RandomEffects
import statsmodels.formula.api as smf
from linearmodels.panel import compare
import pysal as ps
import geopandas as gpd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import plotly.express as px

from math import ceil

from sklearn.neighbors import NearestNeighbors
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans, DBSCAN, OPTICS, AgglomerativeClustering
from esda.adbscan import ADBSCAN

from scipy.cluster.hierarchy import dendrogram

import spopt
from spopt.region import MaxPHeuristic as MaxP

import libpysal
import warnings
```

```

from shapely.geometry import Point

warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
sns.set(font_scale=1.5)
sns.set_style("white")
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (12, 8)

```

/opt/conda/lib/python3.11/site-packages/libpysal/cg/alpha_shapes.py:38:
NumbaDeprecationWarning: The 'nopython' keyword argument was not supplied to
the 'numba.jit' decorator. The implicit default value for this argument is
currently False, but it will be changed to True in Numba 0.59.0. See
[https://numba.readthedocs.io/en/stable/reference/deprecation.html#deprecation-](https://numba.readthedocs.io/en/stable/reference/deprecation.html#deprecation-of-object-mode-fall-back-behaviour-when-using-jit)
[of-object-mode-fall-back-behaviour-when-using-jit](https://numba.readthedocs.io/en/stable/reference/deprecation.html#deprecation-of-object-mode-fall-back-behaviour-when-using-jit) for details.

@jit
/opt/conda/lib/python3.11/site-packages/libpysal/cg/alpha_shapes.py:164:
NumbaDeprecationWarning: The 'nopython' keyword argument was not supplied to
the 'numba.jit' decorator. The implicit default value for this argument is
currently False, but it will be changed to True in Numba 0.59.0. See
[https://numba.readthedocs.io/en/stable/reference/deprecation.html#deprecation-](https://numba.readthedocs.io/en/stable/reference/deprecation.html#deprecation-of-object-mode-fall-back-behaviour-when-using-jit)
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@jit
/opt/conda/lib/python3.11/site-packages/libpysal/cg/alpha_shapes.py:198:
NumbaDeprecationWarning: The 'nopython' keyword argument was not supplied to
the 'numba.jit' decorator. The implicit default value for this argument is
currently False, but it will be changed to True in Numba 0.59.0. See
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/opt/conda/lib/python3.11/site-packages/libpysal/cg/alpha_shapes.py:260:
NumbaDeprecationWarning: The 'nopython' keyword argument was not supplied to
the 'numba.jit' decorator. The implicit default value for this argument is
currently False, but it will be changed to True in Numba 0.59.0. See
[https://numba.readthedocs.io/en/stable/reference/deprecation.html#deprecation-](https://numba.readthedocs.io/en/stable/reference/deprecation.html#deprecation-of-object-mode-fall-back-behaviour-when-using-jit)
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3 Introduction

3.1 Literature review

In recent, there has been a lot of research showing that **innovation** is highly urbanized and concentrated (Balland et al 2020.; Feldman and Kogler, 2010). Clark (2003) considered that Individuals applying for high-tech patents typically reside in areas with more natural and architectural facilities. What’s more, as face-to-face interaction is fundamental to urban innovation (Crookston & Reades 2021), cities help companies and workers become more productive by providing more interactive spaces and increasing the level of ‘economic agglomeration’ (Balland et al 2020). In more detail, meetings between workers at nearby firms raise knowledge spillovers between the firms (Atkin et al 2022), which spurs more creative ideas and then causes more innovations.

In addition, in urban innovation research, innovation is mainly measured by **patents** (Carlinio and Kerr, 2015.; Castaldi, 2023.; Chen et al., 2022). However, some studies only consider a portion of innovation types and overlook other forms, such as design and product development. Breznitz (2021) describes this phenomenon as ‘techno-fetishism’, where policymakers tend to only consider the captivating stages of innovation processes.

Finally, there are several research illustrating the relationship between **interactive spaces** and innovation. For example, Andrews (2019) used the alcohol prohibition to illustrate that during alcohol prohibition, there were an 8-18% reduction in patents per year in the county where it was enforced. In addition, Chen (2022) studied urban vitality (measured by the number of cafes) and population density’s impact on innovation (measured by the number of patents). They found that there’s a positive relationship between urban vitality and innovation. When the total number of coffee shops increased by 1, the number of applications for creation patents and utility model patents was 3.92 and 7.29, respectively (Chen et al., 2022).

3.2 Research question

Based on the above content, I would like to use the number of pubs to display the interactive space, while the innovation can be measured by all types of patents. Therefore, this research seeks to investigate whether social spaces such as pubs, can stimulate increased patenting activity in London. Some following research questions include:

1. Is innovation clustered and concentrated in certain areas of the city?
2. Are the number of pubs and that of patents relevant at the borough level?

My overall framework is:

First, I am going to import and wrangle my datasets and visualize them, showing the trends and spatial distribution of the data briefly. Then, I plan to use the **DBSCAN** clustering method to figure out the patent clusters in London. Finally, the **panel regression** can be applied to illustrate the relationship between the number of patents and pubs at the borough level. All the datasets are publicly accessible.

4 Data Import and Wrangling

4.1 London shp

First, the London borough dataset can be imported, which is useful for follow-up visualization and summary (by borough). The dataset is open in the London Datastore. Here is the link: <https://data.london.gov.uk/dataset/statistical-gis-boundary-files-london>

```
[3]: # read zip shapefile
# local file read
# London_Borough_path = '../data/London_Borough.zip'
# London_Borough = gpd.read_file('zip://' + London_Borough_path)\

# remote file read
# https://github.com/LiangWeiXian11/lwxDataStoreDS/raw/main/London_Borough.zip
London_Borough_path = 'https://github.com/LiangWeiXian11/lwxDataStoreDS/raw/
↳main/London_Borough.zip'
London_Borough = gpd.read_file(London_Borough_path)
print(London_Borough.head())
```

	NAME	GSS_CODE	HECTARES	NONLD_AREA	ONS_INNER	SUB_2009	\
0	Kingston upon Thames	E09000021	3726.117	0.000	F	NaN	
1	Croydon	E09000008	8649.441	0.000	F	NaN	
2	Bromley	E09000006	15013.487	0.000	F	NaN	
3	Hounslow	E09000018	5658.541	60.755	F	NaN	
4	Ealing	E09000009	5554.428	0.000	F	NaN	

	SUB_2006	geometry
0	NaN	POLYGON ((516401.600 160201.800, 516407.300 16...
1	NaN	POLYGON ((535009.200 159504.700, 535005.500 15...
2	NaN	POLYGON ((540373.600 157530.400, 540361.200 15...
3	NaN	POLYGON ((521975.800 178100.000, 521967.700 17...
4	NaN	POLYGON ((510253.500 182881.600, 510249.900 18...

```
[4]: London_Borough = London_Borough.to_crs('epsg:27700') # There is no
↳'in_place=True' option here.
print(London_Borough.geometry.crs)
```

epsg:27700

```
[5]: London_Borough = London_Borough.drop(columns=['HECTARES',
↳'NONLD_AREA', 'ONS_INNER', 'SUB_2009', 'SUB_2006'])
```

4.2 Patent city

Then I imported the patent city dataset, which provides information on the UK patent office from 1894 to 2021, and used it as a dependent variable in this research. The patent city includes the name of each patentee (assignees or inventors), its geocoded address, and when applicable its occupation and citizenship (Bergeaud and

Verluse, 2022). This dataset is publicly open and accessed from Harvard Dataverse: <https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataset.xhtml?persistentId=doi:10.7910/DVN/PG6THV>

In this research, my interesting columns are:

- `publication_date`: The date when a patent application is published.
- `is_inv`: Whether the patentee (who holds the patent rights) is the inventor.
- `loc_longitude`: longitude of the patents
- `loc_latitude`: latitude of the patents

The following is an explanation of the data fields: <https://cverluse.github.io/patentcity/DATA/>

Numerous studies on PatentCity argued that one of the main usages of the dataset is to analyze the geography of innovation (Bergeaud and Verluse, 2024, p. 20). Bergeaud and Verluse also believed that most inventors are expected to be located in metropolitan areas, because Inner London has up to 27% of patentees and only 5% of the population. More importantly, the UK has demonstrated higher data accuracy, with 85% of patent holders having location data accurate to the street or even house number level.

Therefore, the innovation is measured by the number of patents at the borough level.

4.2.1 (Not essential to run) Output Patents

As patentcity dataset is very large (it is over 900 MB and sometimes it may not load in python), I am going to simplify the dataset by my interesting years (from 2001 to 2021) and coordinates of London.

```
[6]: # patentcity
# https://cverluse.github.io/patentcity/DATA/
patentdf = pd.read_csv('../data/patentcity_v100rc7_000000000000.csv',
    ↪na_values=[':'], low_memory=False)
patentdf.head(5)
```

```
[6]:  publication_number  publication_date  family_id  country_code  pubnum  \
0      GB-2137028-A      19840926.0  10539630.0      GB      2137028
1      GB-190514363-A      19060524.0  32197756.0      GB  190514363
2      GB-505263-A      19390504.0  10365269.0      GB      505263
3      US-4211557-A      19800708.0  70859946.0      US      4211557
4      GB-1463465-A      19770202.0  27035926.0      GB      1463465

   kind_code origin kind_codes  N  has_A  ...  loc_statisticalArea1Code  \
0          A  WGP25      A,B  2  False  ...                          UKI
1          A    PC      A  1  False  ...                          NaN
2          A    PC      A  1  False  ...                          NaN
3          A   EXP      A  1  False  ...                          NaN
4          A    PC      A  1  False  ...                          NaN
```

	loc_statisticalArea2	loc_statisticalArea2Code	\
0	Outer London - East and North East	UKI5	
1	NaN	NaN	
2	NaN	NaN	
3	NaN	NaN	
4	NaN	NaN	

	loc_statisticalArea3	loc_statisticalArea3Code	\
0	Enfield	UKI54	
1	NaN	NaN	
2	NaN	NaN	
3	NaN	NaN	
4	NaN	NaN	

	loc_recId	loc_seqLength	loc_seqNumber	loc_source	\
0	ca9d2dbac91a198fecaa40dd6139f2b4	NaN	1.0	HERE	
1	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	
2	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	
3	a71f5ef0e9568ab251177f746dfbec45	NaN	1.0	GMAPS	
4	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	

	is_duplicate
0	NaN
1	NaN
2	NaN
3	NaN
4	NaN

[5 rows x 67 columns]

```
[7]: # select 2001-2021 patents data
Patents21 = patentdf[(patentdf['publication_date'] >= 20010000) &
↳ (patentdf['publication_date'] < 20220000)].copy()

[8]: # using approximate London extent to basically reduce the size of dataset.
LondonPatents21 = Patents21[(Patents21['loc_latitude'] >= 51.1621) &
↳ (Patents21['loc_latitude'] <= 51.8446) & (Patents21['loc_longitude'] >= -0.
↳ 5569) & (Patents21['loc_longitude'] <= 0.3595)].copy()
```

I then export this data and re-import it again.

```
[9]: # output dataset to reduce loading time.
LondonPatents21.to_csv('../data/patents/LondonPatent21.csv', index=False)
```

4.2.2 New-Patents

Now, the new patent's dataset is smaller (only 2MB) and easy to import and use.

```
[10]: # patentcity
#New_Patents = pd.read_csv('../data/patents/LondonPatent21.csv', na_values=[':']
↳'], low_memory=False)
# https://raw.githubusercontent.com/LiangWeiXian11/lwxDataStoreDS/main/
↳LondonPatent21.csv
New_Patents = pd.read_csv('https://raw.githubusercontent.com/LiangWeiXian11/
↳lwxDataStoreDS/main/LondonPatent21.csv', na_values=[':'], low_memory=False)
```

It selects specific columns from a DataFrame, adjusts the publication date values, filters rows to include only inventors, and then displays information about the resulting DataFrame.

```
[11]: # columns
pcColumns = ['publication_date', 'is_inv', 'loc_longitude', 'loc_latitude']
Patent_columns = New_Patents[pcColumns]
# deal with the date
Patent_columns['publication_date'] = Patent_columns['publication_date']*0.0001
# cut the and transfer to int (year) directly --
Patent_columns['publication_date'] = Patent_columns['publication_date'].
↳astype(int)
# select inventor
Patent_columns = Patent_columns[Patent_columns['is_inv']==True]
# Patent_columns.sample(5)
Patent_columns.info
```

```
[11]: <bound method DataFrame.info of                publication_date  is_inv  loc_longitude
loc_latitude
0                2008      True      0.112710      51.700060
1                2001      True     -0.342700      51.593030
5                2013      True     -0.137959      51.520101
6                2007      True     -0.199632      51.580165
7                2011      True     -0.511010      51.433460
...
3799            ...      ...      ...      ...
3802            2020      True     -0.341995      51.580559
3802            2013      True     -0.127758      51.507351
3803            2015      True     -0.127758      51.507351
3804            2014      True      0.087806      51.767787
3807            2004      True      0.188750      51.458390

[2354 rows x 4 columns]>
```

4.2.3 Patents Select by London Borough

```
[12]: # Create GeoDataFrame (points)
Patent_pois = gpd.GeoDataFrame(Patent_columns, geometry=gpd.
↳points_from_xy(Patent_columns.loc_longitude, Patent_columns.loc_latitude,
↳crs='epsg:4326'))
```



```
Patent_pois = Patent_pois.to_crs('epsg:27700') # There is no 'in_place=True'
↳option here.
print(Patent_pois.geometry.crs)
```

epsg:27700

```
[13]: # use sjoin for spatial join
# 1579 rows x 8 columns
LondonPatent_pois = gpd.sjoin(Patent_pois, London_Borough, how='inner',
↳op='within')
LondonPatent_pois.sample(10)
```

```
[13]:      publication_date  is_inv  loc_longitude  loc_latitude  \
2221          2014      True      -0.302662      51.394010
251            2019      True      -0.194114      51.599195
2704          2012      True      -0.127758      51.507351
1748          2016      True      -0.319686      51.616419
2142          2012      True      -0.127758      51.507351
1272          2013      True      -0.127758      51.507351
311           2006      True      -0.127758      51.507351
473           2007      True      -0.126700      51.569016
1929          2007      True      -0.028880      51.464680
907           2004      True      -0.230605      51.588593

      geometry  index_right      NAME  \
2221 POINT (518186.205 167474.677)      0  Kingston upon Thames
251  POINT (525174.842 190472.572)      9      Barnet
2704 POINT (530031.780 180374.708)     24  Westminster
1748 POINT (516434.087 192180.603)      7      Harrow
2142 POINT (530031.780 180374.708)     24  Westminster
1272 POINT (530031.780 180374.708)     24  Westminster
311  POINT (530031.780 180374.708)     24  Westminster
473  POINT (529929.592 187234.032)     27  Islington
1929 POINT (537021.188 175809.803)     12  Lewisham
907  POINT (522676.132 189231.746)      9      Barnet

      GSS_CODE
2221 E09000021
251  E09000003
2704 E09000033
1748 E09000015
2142 E09000033
1272 E09000033
311  E09000033
473  E09000019
1929 E09000023
907  E09000003
```

4.3 Panel patents data

```
[14]: # set index because panel regression need.
patentPanel=LondonPatent_pois.set_index(['NAME','publication_date']) # set the index to the state code and the year
patentPanel.sample(5)
```

```
[14]:
```

		is_inv	loc_longitude	loc_latitude	\
NAME	publication_date				
Westminster	2005	True	-0.127758	51.507351	
	2018	True	-0.127758	51.507351	
	2017	True	-0.127758	51.507351	
	2009	True	-0.127758	51.507351	
	2001	True	-0.127758	51.507351	

			geometry	index_right	\
NAME	publication_date				
Westminster	2005	POINT (530031.780 180374.708)		24	
	2018	POINT (530031.780 180374.708)		24	
	2017	POINT (530031.780 180374.708)		24	
	2009	POINT (530031.780 180374.708)		24	
	2001	POINT (530031.780 180374.708)		24	

		GSS_CODE
NAME	publication_date	
Westminster	2005	E09000033
	2018	E09000033
	2017	E09000033
	2009	E09000033
	2001	E09000033

Grouping the DataFrame by 'NAME' and 'publication_date' columns, calculating the size of each group, and resetting index with column name 'patent_count'.

```
[15]: # Grouping
count_by_name_date = patentPanel.groupby(['NAME', 'publication_date']).size().
    reset_index(name='patent_count')
# 358 rows x 3 columns
count_by_name_date.info
```

```
[15]: <bound method DataFrame.info of
```

		NAME	publication_date
patent_count			
0	Barking and Dagenham	2001	1
1	Barking and Dagenham	2002	2
2	Barking and Dagenham	2010	1
3	Barking and Dagenham	2011	1
4	Barnet	2001	3
..

353	Westminster	2017	69
354	Westminster	2018	70
355	Westminster	2019	45
356	Westminster	2020	26
357	Westminster	2021	11

[358 rows x 3 columns]>

```
[16]: # Merge the result
patentPanel_count = patentPanel.merge(count_by_name_date, on=['NAME',
↪ 'publication_date'], how='left')
patentPanel_count = patentPanel_count.set_index(['NAME', 'publication_date'])
# patentPanel_count.head(5)
```

```
[17]: patentPanel_drop = patentPanel_count[['patent_count']]
patentPanel_new = patentPanel_drop.reset_index()
#patentPanel_new = patentPanel_new.set_index(['NAME'])
patentPanel_new.sample(5)
```

```
[17]:
```

	NAME	publication_date	patent_count
1024	Westminster	2016	80
1390	Kingston upon Thames	2001	4
885	Westminster	2012	75
1202	Sutton	2013	2
972	Westminster	2014	65

Delete duplicate rows because the data here is point features, and most of the data only has different geographic information columns

```
[18]: # Removing duplicate rows where 'publication_date' and 'patent_count' values
patentPanel_unique = patentPanel_new.
↪ drop_duplicates(subset=['NAME', 'publication_date', 'patent_count'])
```

4.4 London Pub

Finally, I also imported the pub's data which comes from the ONS, a list of UK businesses that is mainly compiled from administrative sources. The data is collected on March 12 of each year from 2001 to 2022, which is also public open. The factors of interest in this data are the number of pubs by year and by London borough.

```
[19]: # pubs = pd.read_csv('../data/BarsLondon2022.csv', header = 2,nrows = 109,
↪ na_values=[':'], low_memory=False)
# https://raw.githubusercontent.com/LiangWeiXian11/lwxDataStoreDS/main/
↪ BarsLondon2022.csv
pubs = pd.read_csv('https://raw.githubusercontent.com/LiangWeiXian11/
↪ lwxDataStoreDS/main/BarsLondon2022.csv', header = 2,nrows = 109,
↪ na_values=[':'], low_memory=False)
```

```
pubs = pubs.drop(0)
# conditions DataFrame -- rows: 108 -> 36 -> 33
pubs_nums = pubs[(pubs['Number of employees in public house or bar'] == 'Any
↳number of employees') & (pubs['Area name'] != 'United Kingdom') &
↳(pubs['Area name'] != 'England') & (pubs['Area name'] != 'London')]
```

Then, I link it to the London Borough transfer it to GeoDataFrame for follow-up processes.

```
[20]: Pubs_merge = gpd.GeoDataFrame(London_Borough.merge(pubs_nums,
↳left_on='GSS_CODE', right_on='Area code', how='left'))
```

```
[21]: Pubs_merge.drop(columns=['2022'], inplace=True)
Pubs_merge.head()
```

```
[21]:
```

	NAME	GSS_CODE	\
0	Kingston upon Thames	E09000021	
1	Croydon	E09000008	
2	Bromley	E09000006	
3	Hounslow	E09000018	
4	Ealing	E09000009	

	geometry	Area code	\
0	POLYGON ((516401.600 160201.800, 516407.300 16...	E09000021	
1	POLYGON ((535009.200 159504.700, 535005.500 15...	E09000008	
2	POLYGON ((540373.600 157530.400, 540361.200 15...	E09000006	
3	POLYGON ((521975.800 178100.000, 521967.700 17...	E09000018	
4	POLYGON ((510253.500 182881.600, 510249.900 18...	E09000009	

	Area name	Number of employees in public house or bar	2001	2002	\
0	Kingston upon Thames	Any number of employees	95	100	
1	Croydon	Any number of employees	165	180	
2	Bromley	Any number of employees	130	135	
3	Hounslow	Any number of employees	130	120	
4	Ealing	Any number of employees	145	150	

	2003	2004	...	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
0	95	95	...	75	70	70	70	65	65	60	60	60	55
1	160	155	...	100	95	90	95	90	85	90	80	85	80
2	130	120	...	105	100	100	110	100	95	105	95	105	105
3	115	115	...	85	85	80	80	75	80	75	70	75	70
4	135	125	...	100	100	100	115	100	95	95	90	85	85

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5 Data pre-processing

5.1 Patent city data

When it comes to patent city data, I would like to visualize the spatial distribution of the patent data in 2001, 2011, and 2021 respectively. Besides, I've encapsulated the borough summary and the mapping code as functions, which is easy to call multiple times subsequently.

We can see the maximum in Westminster in this period, while the numbers of patents are also high in the northeast between 2001 and 2011. However, in 2021, the number of patents is quite low, showing a slump in innovation.

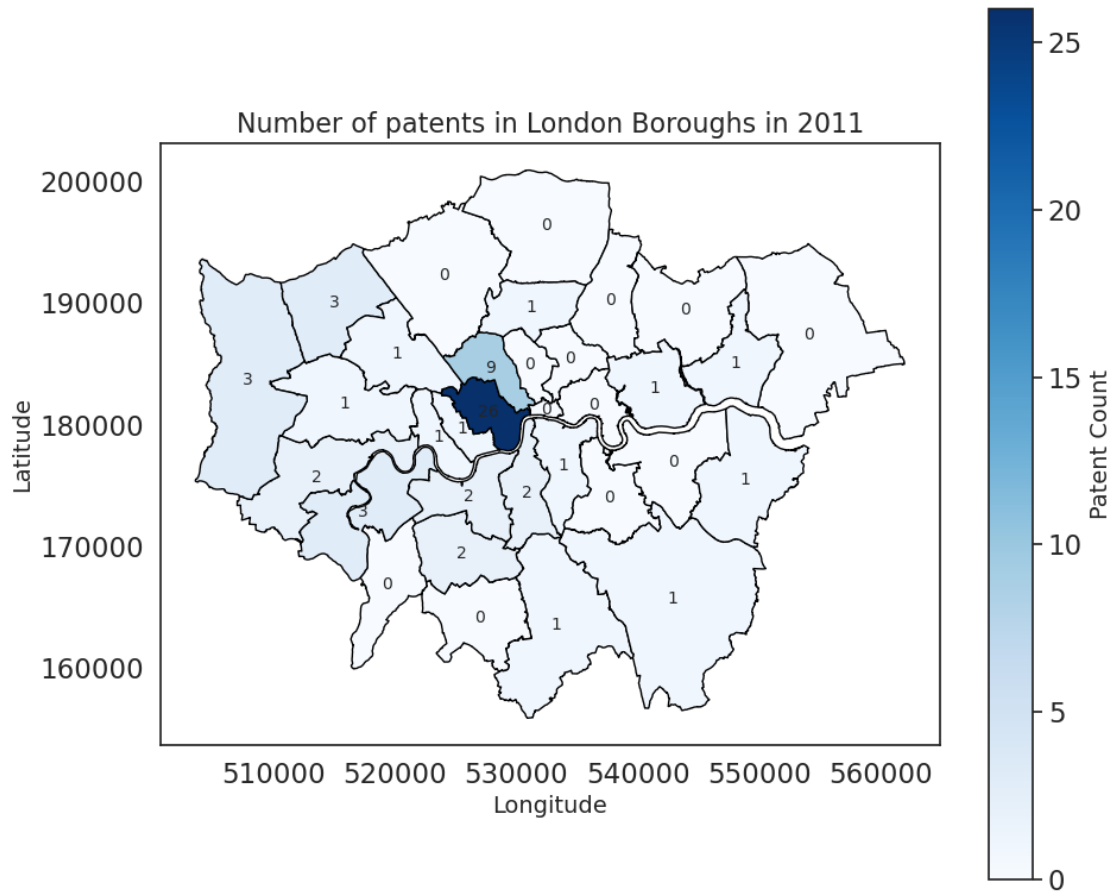
```
[22]: def plot_patents_map(patentsData, year):
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(10, 8))
    # same color range ; make sure (0,500)
    patentsData.plot(ax=ax, column='patent_count', cmap='Blues',
    ↪edgecolor='black', legend=True)
    ax.set_title('Number of patents in London Boroughs in ' + str(year) ,
    ↪fontsize=16)
    ax.set_xlabel('Longitude', fontsize=14)
    ax.set_ylabel('Latitude', fontsize=14)
    plt.tight_layout()

    colorbar = ax.get_figure().get_axes()[1]
    colorbar.set_ylabel('Patent Count', fontsize=14)

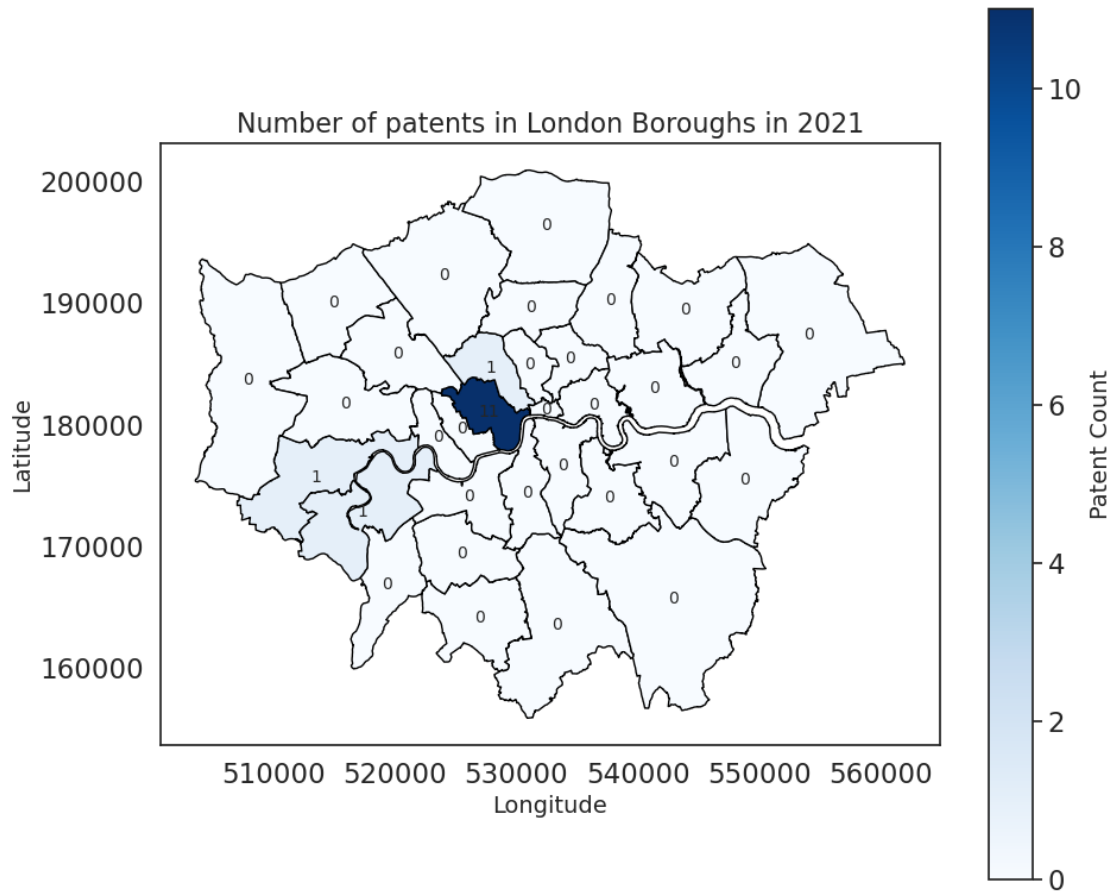
    for idx, row in patentsData.iterrows():
        centroid = row['geometry'].centroid
        ax.text(centroid.x, centroid.y, str(row['patent_count']), fontsize=10,
    ↪ha='center', va='center')
        # ax.text(centroid.x, centroid.y, f"{row['NAME']}:
    ↪{row['patent_count']}", fontsize=8, ha='center', va='center')

    plt.show()

def sum_patents_borough(LondonPatent_pois, London_Borough, year):
    Patent_pois = LondonPatent_pois[LondonPatent_pois['publication_date'] ==
    ↪year]
    # sum total numbers by each borough
    Sum_Patent = London_Borough.copy()
    borough_point_counts = Patent_pois.groupby('NAME').size()
    Sum_Patent['patent_count'] = London_Borough['NAME'].
    ↪map(borough_point_counts)
    Sum_Patent['patent_count'].fillna(0, inplace=True)
    # transfer
    Sum_Patent['patent_count'] = Sum_Patent['patent_count'].astype(int)
    return Sum_Patent
```

```
[25]: # 2021
year = 2021
Sum_Patent_2021 = sum_patents_borough(LondonPatent_pois, London_Borough, year)
plot_patents_map(Sum_Patent_2021, year)
```



5.2 Pubs data

As for the pub data, the maps below show how the number of pubs in London has changed over the past twenty years. The decrease in the number of pubs is particularly clear in some outer London boroughs. For example, the combined number of pubs in the northeast almost halved from around 260 in 2001 to around 135 in 2021.

```
[26]: # transfer to long data
pubs_long = pd.melt(Pubs_merge, id_vars = ['NAME', 'GSS_CODE', 'geometry', 'Area_
↳code', 'Area name', 'Number of employees in public house or bar' ],
↳var_name='year', value_name='value')
pubs_long['year'] = pubs_long['year'].astype(int)
pubs_long['value'] = pubs_long['value'].astype(int)
```

Customize the color range (0-500) to ensure consistent color and value relationships across different years (coloring entirely according to the size of the value).

```
[27]: def plot_pubs_map(pubsData, year):
```



```

fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(10, 8))

# same color range ; make sure (0,500)
pubsData.plot(ax=ax, column='value', cmap='Blues', edgecolor='black',
↳legend=True, vmin=0, vmax=500)

ax.set_title('Number of pubs in London Boroughs in ' + str(year) ,
↳fontsize=16)
ax.set_xlabel('Longitude', fontsize=14)
ax.set_ylabel('Latitude', fontsize=14)
plt.tight_layout()

colorbar = ax.get_figure().get_axes()[1]
colorbar.set_ylabel('pub Count', fontsize=14)

for idx, row in pubsData.iterrows():
    centroid = row['geometry'].centroid
    ax.text(centroid.x, centroid.y, str(row['value']), fontsize=10,
↳ha='center', va='center')
    # ax.text(centroid.x, centroid.y, f"{row['NAME']}:{row['value']}",
↳fontsize=8, ha='center', va='center')

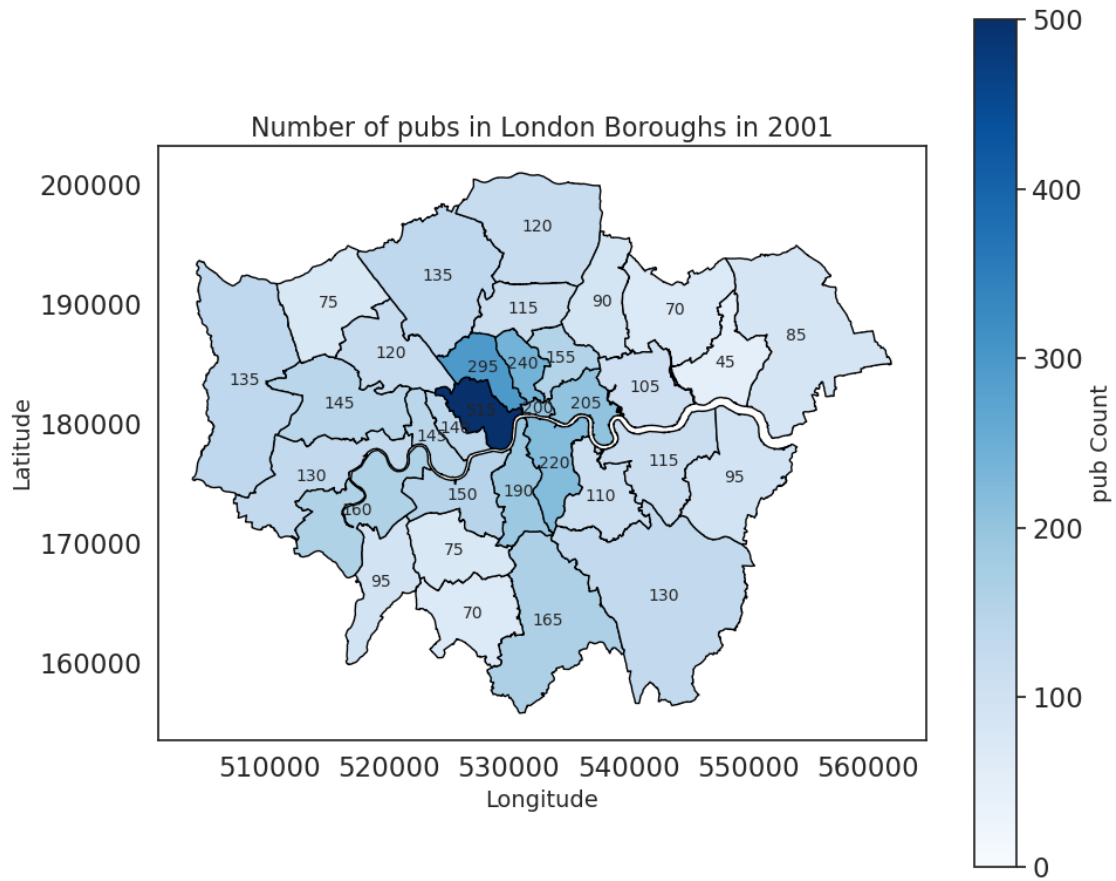
plt.show()

```

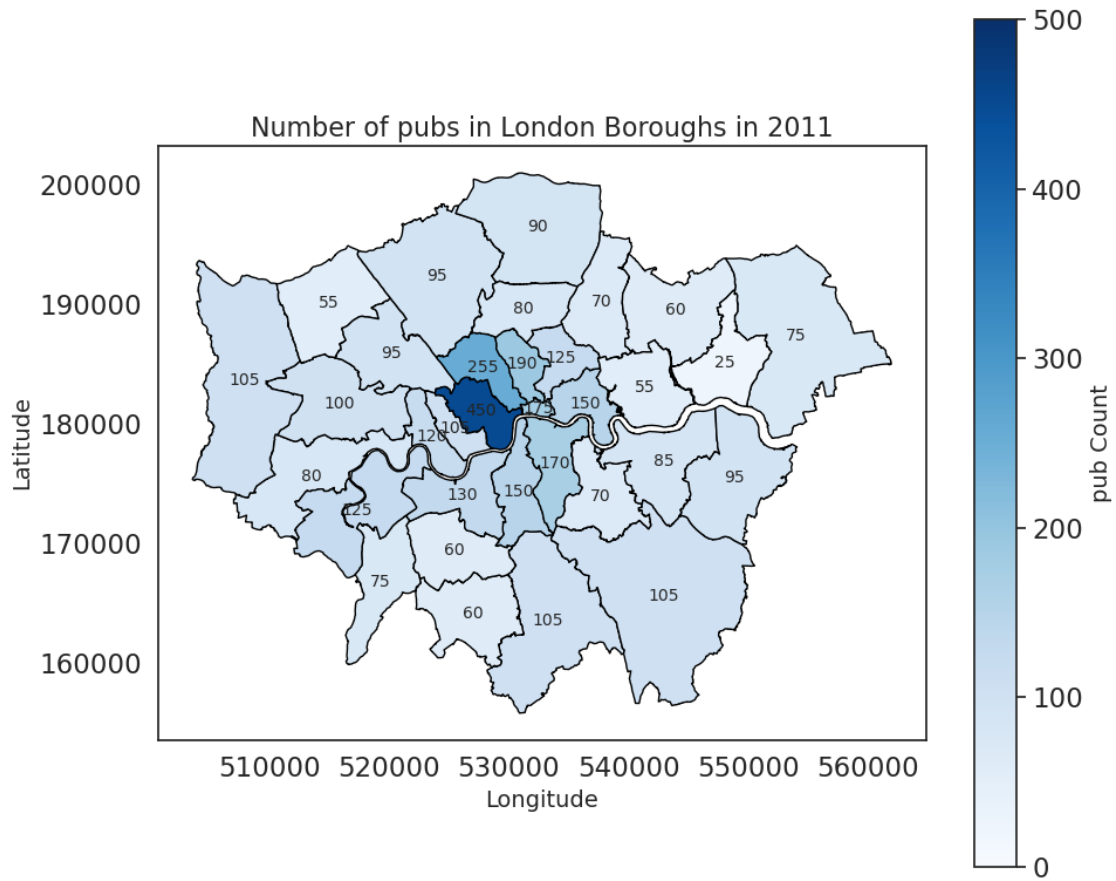
```

[28]: # pubs 2001
year = 2001
plot_pubs_map(pubs_long[pubs_long['year'] == year], year)

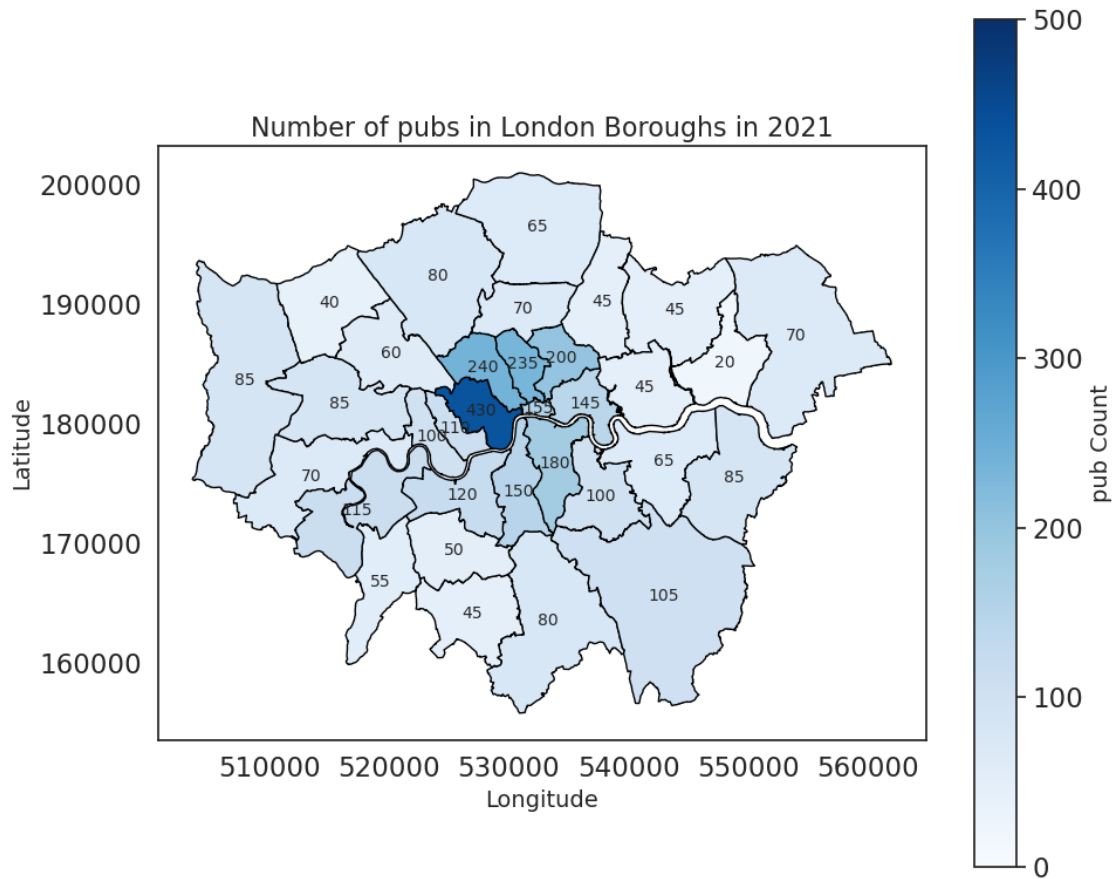
```



```
[29]: # pubs 2011
year = 2011
plot_pubs_map(pubs_long[pubs_long['year'] == year], year)
```



```
[30]: # pubs 2021
year = 2021
plot_pubs_map(pubs_long[pubs_long['year'] == year], year)
```



6 DBSCAN

I am trying to identify clusters in 2001, 2011, and 2021 using patent data.

If patents are defined as points on a map, some spatial analysis methods can be applied to search for cluster data such as DBSCAN, a density-based method (Ester et al., 1996). DBSCAN is more suitable compared with other clustering algorithms like k-means because it doesn't need to specify the number of clusters before using it (Dennett and Page, 2017).

In this method, the required parameters include the radius parameter, which defines the radius of the neighborhood, and the minimum number of points within a clustered neighborhood. Therefore, considering my input data from each year and my research area, I defined the minimum points and the epsilon parameters are 4 and 0.03 respectively.

6.1 Run DBSCAN

In order to visualise and interpret the clusters, the *'mapping_clusters'* function was constructed.

```
[31]: def mapping_clusters(labels_cluster):
      fig, ax = plt.subplots()
```

```

London_Borough.plot(ax=ax, color='black', alpha=0.5);
Patent_pois_year['cluster_nm'] = labels_cluster
Patent_pois_year.plot(ax=ax, column='cluster_nm', categorical=True,
↳ legend=True, figsize=(8,6), cmap='Paired', markersize=40);
plt.show()

```

6.1.1 Run DBSCAN in 2001

```

[32]: year = 2001
Patent_pois_year = LondonPatent_pois[LondonPatent_pois['publication_date'] ==
↳ year]
patents_poi = Patent_pois_year[['loc_longitude', 'loc_latitude']]
# parameters
minPts = 4 #
epsilon = 0.03

dbsc = DBSCAN(eps=epsilon, min_samples=minPts, metric = 'haversine')
# normed
dbsc.fit(patents_poi)
pd.Series(dbsc.labels_).value_counts()

```

```

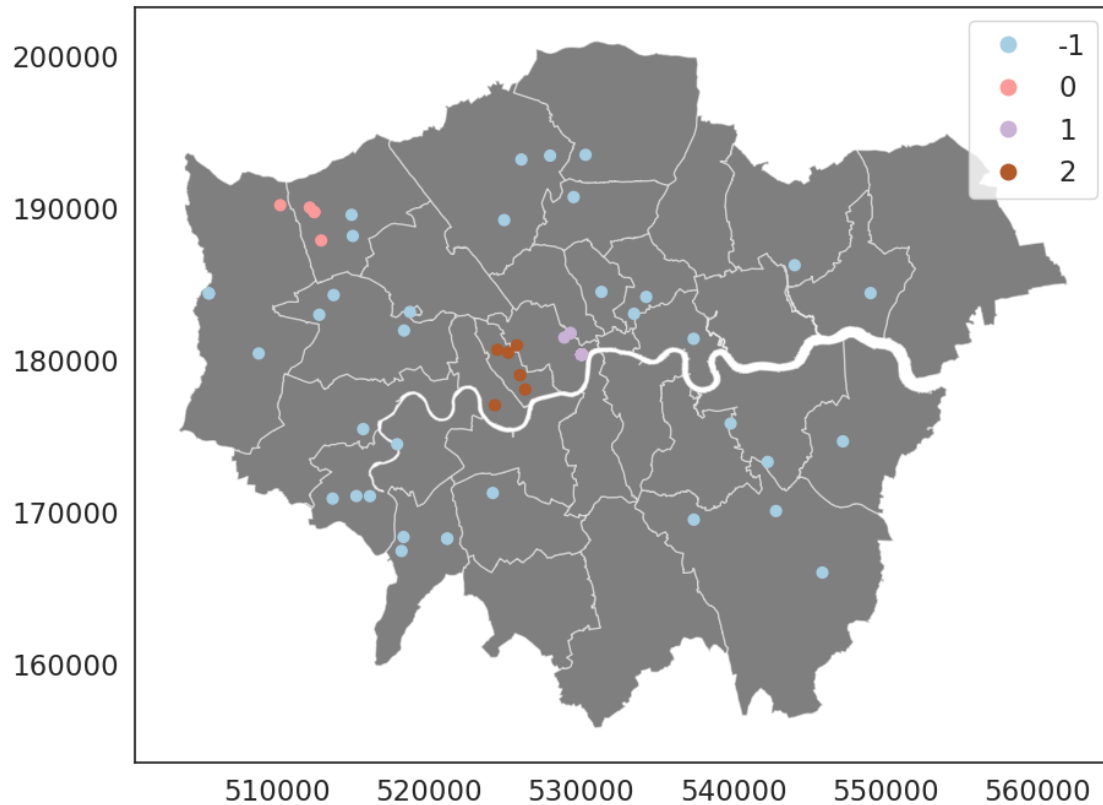
[32]: -1    36
      1    26
      2     6
      0     5
Name: count, dtype: int64

```

```

[33]: # We now have our DBSCAN object created, and we can extract the groups it has
↳ identified. We do this using the `.labels_` method.
cluster_nm = dbsc.labels_
mapping_clusters(cluster_nm)

```



6.1.2 Run DBSCAN in 2011

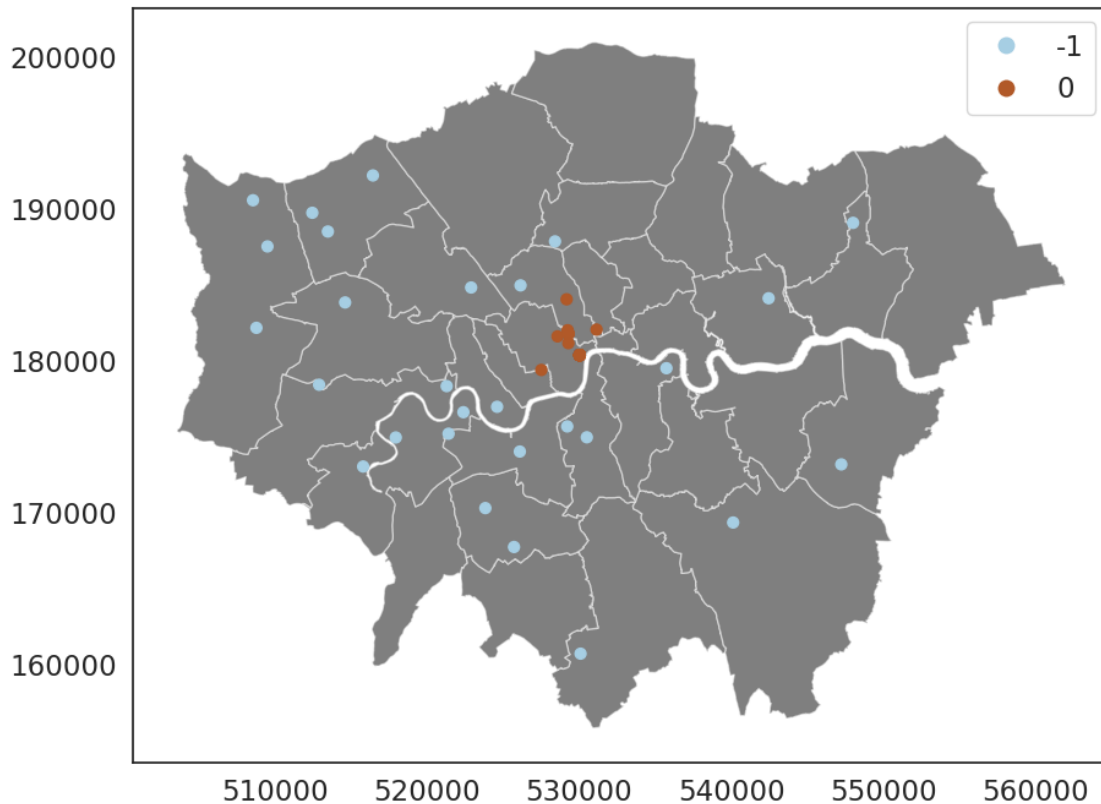
```
[34]: year = 2011
Patent_pois_year = LondonPatent_pois[LondonPatent_pois['publication_date'] ==
↳ year]
patents_poi = Patent_pois_year[['loc_longitude', 'loc_latitude']]
# parameters
minPts = 4 # we set minPts as normed.shape[1] + 1
epsilon = 0.03

dbsc = DBSCAN(eps=epsilon, min_samples=minPts, metric = 'haversine')
# normed
dbsc.fit(patents_poi)
pd.Series(dbsc.labels_).value_counts()
```

```
[34]: 0      35
      -1     28
      Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
[35]: # We now have our DBSCAN object created, and we can extract the groups it has
↳ identified. We do this using the `.labels_` method.
```

```
cluster_nm = dbsc.labels_  
mapping_clusters(cluster_nm)
```

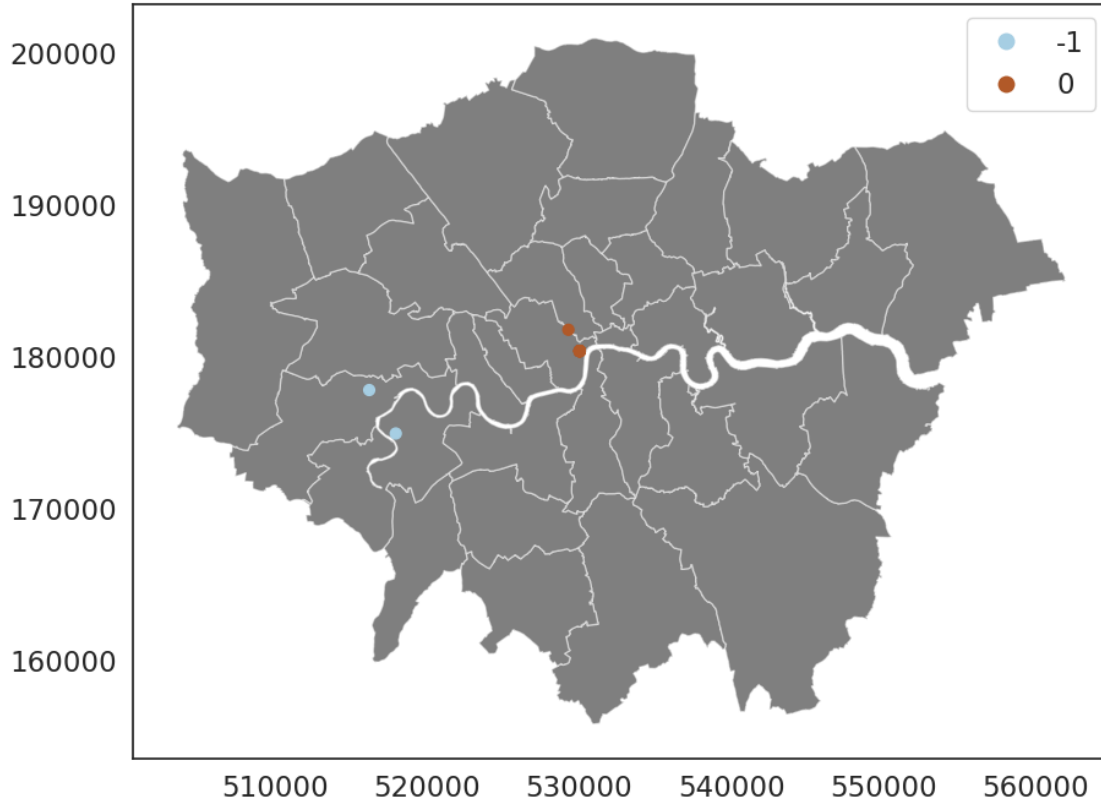


6.1.3 Run DBSCAN in 2021

```
[36]: year = 2021  
Patent_pois_year = LondonPatent_pois[LondonPatent_pois['publication_date'] ==  
    ↪ year]  
patents_poi = Patent_pois_year[['loc_longitude', 'loc_latitude']]  
# parameters  
minPts = 4 # we set minPts as normed.shape[1] + 1  
epsilon = 0.03  
  
dbsc = DBSCAN(eps=epsilon, min_samples=minPts, metric = 'haversine')  
# normed  
dbsc.fit(patents_poi)  
pd.Series(dbsc.labels_).value_counts()
```

```
[36]: 0      12  
      -1      2  
      Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
[37]: # We now have our DBSCAN object created, and we can extract the groups it has
      ↪identified. We do this using the `.labels_` method.
      cluster_nm = dbsc.labels_
      mapping_clusters(cluster_nm)
```



Based on above analyses, the figure in 2001 shows that there are three different clusters, which are located in the center (clusters 1 and 2) and the northwest (cluster 0) of London. Meanwhile, the number of patents in the cluster 1 was the maximum (26), which are five times more than the other clusters. As for 2011, although there was only one cluster, there were 35 patents in central London, illustrating a high level of aggregation. Finally, only 14 patents occurred in 2021, but it is still a highly concentrated patent cluster with the majority of patenting activity.

Overall, the DBSCAN analyses reveal that patents are not randomly distributed at the London borough level. The patents are clustered in the center of London in 2001, 2011, and 2021, especially in **Westminster**. However, these spatial analyses do not tell us why these agglomerations are occurring, why patents are here, and what factors are contributing to the number of patents sharply decreasing in 2021. Therefore, we stop our spatial analysis here and move to the Panel regression.

7 Panel Regression

A fixed-effect panel data model can control for the unobserved time-invariant and city-specific effects (Chen et al., 2022, p. 2). I run the panel fixed-effect model to examine the relation between

pubs and patents. The model formula is:

```
'patentCount ~ 1 + value + TimeEffects'
```

where the 'patentCount' and 'value' mean the numbers of patents and pubs respectively, while adding 1 in the formula can make sure our result includes the intercept.

7.1 Prepare Panel Data

```
[38]: # # Converting the data to panel data format with 'Area name' as the index.
BarPanel=pubs_long.set_index(['Area name']) # set the index to the state code
# and the year
# Merging two datasets based on 'Area name' and 'year' columns, using left join.
merged_data = pd.merge(BarPanel, patentPanel_unique, left_on=['Area
name', 'year'], right_on=['NAME', 'publication_date'], how='left')
merged_data.head(5)
```

```
[38]:
```

	NAME_x	GSS_CODE	\
0	Kingston upon Thames	E09000021	
1	Croydon	E09000008	
2	Bromley	E09000006	
3	Hounslow	E09000018	
4	Ealing	E09000009	

	geometry	Area code	\
0	POLYGON ((516401.600 160201.800, 516407.300 16...	E09000021	
1	POLYGON ((535009.200 159504.700, 535005.500 15...	E09000008	
2	POLYGON ((540373.600 157530.400, 540361.200 15...	E09000006	
3	POLYGON ((521975.800 178100.000, 521967.700 17...	E09000018	
4	POLYGON ((510253.500 182881.600, 510249.900 18...	E09000009	

	Number of employees in public house or bar	year	value	\
0	Any number of employees	2001	95	
1	Any number of employees	2001	165	
2	Any number of employees	2001	130	
3	Any number of employees	2001	130	
4	Any number of employees	2001	145	

	NAME_y	publication_date	patent_count
0	Kingston upon Thames	2001.0	4.0
1	NaN	NaN	NaN
2	Bromley	2001.0	3.0
3	Hounslow	2001.0	1.0
4	Ealing	2001.0	4.0

```
[39]: fix_panel_data = merged_data.drop(columns=['NAME_y',
publication_date', 'GSS_CODE'])
fix_panel_data.fillna(0, inplace=True)
```

```
fix_panel_data['patentCount'] = fix_panel_data['patent_count'].astype(int)
final_panel_data = fix_panel_data.set_index(['NAME_x', 'year'])
final_panel_data.info
```

[39]: <bound method DataFrame.info of

```
geometry \
NAME_x      year
Kingston upon Thames 2001 POLYGON ((516401.600 160201.800, 516407.300 16...
Croydon            2001 POLYGON ((535009.200 159504.700, 535005.500 15...
Bromley            2001 POLYGON ((540373.600 157530.400, 540361.200 15...
Hounslow           2001 POLYGON ((521975.800 178100.000, 521967.700 17...
Ealing             2001 POLYGON ((510253.500 182881.600, 510249.900 18...
...
Hackney            2021 POLYGON ((531928.400 187801.500, 531935.700 18...
Haringey           2021 POLYGON ((531928.400 187801.500, 531919.200 18...
Newham             2021 MULTIPOLYGON (((544065.000 183254.100, 544062...
Barking and Dagenham 2021 MULTIPOLYGON (((543905.400 183199.100, 543905...
City of London     2021 POLYGON ((531145.100 180782.100, 531143.800 18...
```

```
Area code \
NAME_x      year
Kingston upon Thames 2001 E09000021
Croydon            2001 E09000008
Bromley            2001 E09000006
Hounslow           2001 E09000018
Ealing             2001 E09000009
...
Hackney            2021 E09000012
Haringey           2021 E09000014
Newham             2021 E09000025
Barking and Dagenham 2021 E09000002
City of London     2021 E09000001
```

```
Number of employees in public house or bar value \
NAME_x      year
Kingston upon Thames 2001 Any number of employees 95
Croydon            2001 Any number of employees 165
Bromley            2001 Any number of employees 130
Hounslow           2001 Any number of employees 130
Ealing             2001 Any number of employees 145
...
Hackney            2021 Any number of employees 200
Haringey           2021 Any number of employees 70
Newham             2021 Any number of employees 45
Barking and Dagenham 2021 Any number of employees 20
City of London     2021 Any number of employees 155
```

NAME_x	year	patent_count	patentCount
Kingston upon Thames	2001	4.0	4
Croydon	2001	0.0	0
Bromley	2001	3.0	3
Hounslow	2001	1.0	1
Ealing	2001	4.0	4
...	
Hackney	2021	0.0	0
Haringey	2021	0.0	0
Newham	2021	0.0	0
Barking and Dagenham	2021	0.0	0
City of London	2021	0.0	0

[693 rows x 6 columns]>

Here, I need to transfer GeoDataFrame to DataFrame, because the panel regression are not able to use GeoDataFrame

```
[40]: bar_patent_Panel_df = final_panel_data.drop(columns=['geometry'])

# transfer GeoDataFrame to DataFrame
bar_patent_Panel_df = bar_patent_Panel_df.reset_index()

print(type(bar_patent_Panel_df))
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

```
[41]: bar_patent_Paneldata = bar_patent_Panel_df.set_index(['NAME_x', 'year'])
# bar_patent_Paneldata.sample(5)
```

7.2 Run model

The code sets the index for panel data, runs a fixed effects model with 'patentCount' as the dependent variable and 'value' as the independent variable, while controlling for time effects, and prints the model results formatted as a regression table with significance stars.

Adding a constant term (1) allows the model not necessarily to pass through the origin; however, if not included, the model must pass through the origin.

```
[42]: # panel_data=panel_data.set_index(['Area name', 'year']) # set the index to the
      ↪ state code and the year
# EntityEffects/TimeEffects
panel = PanelOLS.from_formula('patentCount ~ 1 + value +
      ↪ TimeEffects', bar_patent_Paneldata).fit() # run a fixed effects model
print(compare({'Fixed Effects': panel,}, stars=True)) # print the model
      ↪ formatted as a regression table
```

```

Model Comparison
=====
Fixed Effects
-----
Dep. Variable      patentCount
Estimator          PanelOLS
No. Observations    693
Cov. Est.          Unadjusted
R-squared           0.4900
R-Squared (Within)  -0.1729
R-Squared (Between) 0.6341
R-Squared (Overall) 0.4635
F-statistic         644.58
P-value (F-stat)    0.0000
=====
Intercept          -6.8396***
                   (-16.057)
value              0.0755***
                   (25.389)
=====
Effects            Time
-----

```

T-stats reported in parentheses

The overall R squared is 0.49, while the parameter is 0.0755 between the number of pubs and that of patents. That means the numbers between pubs and patents are positive, although the relationship is not very significant. Meanwhile, as the R squared Within (-0.17) is lower than 0, our model is not good at explaining differences within each borough over time. It may illustrate that the pubs may not be able to capture the changes in patents and there are other variables specific to each borough that are not included in my model, leading to poor explanatory ability within boroughs.

```
[43]: print(panel) # another way to print the model
```

```

PanelOLS Estimation Summary
=====
Dep. Variable:      patentCount    R-squared:      0.4900
Estimator:          PanelOLS       R-squared (Between): 0.6341
No. Observations:    693           R-squared (Within): -0.1729
Date:                Sun, Apr 21 2024 R-squared (Overall): 0.4635
Time:                15:24:32       Log-likelihood    -2217.2
Cov. Estimator:      Unadjusted
F-statistic:         644.58
Entities:            33             P-value           0.0000
Avg Obs:             21.000         Distribution:      F(1,671)
Min Obs:             21.000
Max Obs:             21.000         F-statistic (robust): 644.58
P-value              0.0000

```

Time periods: 21 Distribution: F(1,671)
 Avg Obs: 33.000
 Min Obs: 33.000
 Max Obs: 33.000

Parameter Estimates						
	Parameter	Std. Err.	T-stat	P-value	Lower CI	Upper CI
Intercept	-6.8396	0.4260	-16.057	0.0000	-7.6760	-6.0032
value	0.0755	0.0030	25.389	0.0000	0.0697	0.0814

F-test for Poolability: 2.0274
 P-value: 0.0052
 Distribution: F(20,671)

Included effects: Time

What's more, as the R squared between is around 0.63, the combination of boroughs and bars can help us understand why certain areas of London more patents have than others, showing some boroughs have more patents compared to others. In summary, our result does not fully demonstrate a strong positive correlation between the number of pubs and that of patents, but it does provide some evidence that there are spatial distributional differences in patents.

8 Conclusion

In conclusion, we find that the innovation activity is highly concentrated and often clustered in the center of London by studying London between 2001 and 2021. When I used the number of patents and the number of pubs to measure innovation and interaction space in the region respectively, the relationship is positive, although the results are less significant.

There are some discussions including data, model variables, and so on. First, while we can use all types of patents to represent innovation, dividing the different types of patents may help reveal other interesting patterns. In addition, it is not enough to see the full impact of COVID-19 by the patent city dataset in London which was collected in 2021.

Then, the model does not include enough independent variables such as population density, which may improve my model to capture innovation more accurately. Bettencourt (2007) argued that although there is positively relation between patent application and patent holders' cooperation showing network effects, they are not sufficient to fully explain them. The number of inventors increases significantly with population size (a power law with an exponent larger than unity), while the number of inventions increases only linearly with the number of inventors (Bettencourt et al., 2007, p. 107). Therefore, while collaborative social networks, which embody network effects, can promote innovation, the aggregation effect also affects the number of patents to a certain level by attracting more inventors.

Finally, the panel regression can not address the problem of possible reversed causality. In more detail, areas with high innovation could be more economically dynamic and cause more pubs, such

as Westminster. In this case, some studies used the one-year lagged form to deal with this possible issue, which may be the future process of my research.

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