

IBM Data Science - NTL

Capstone Project- The Battle of Neighborhoods

Optimal Location for Asian Restaurant in London

Introduction

London is the capital and largest city of England and the United Kingdom. Opening restaurant in the capital city like London can be challenging as you need to make huge investment but before making such investments you want to be certain about the place to enjoy maximum patrons. London has a large population of people from different foreign countries from Asia, Australia, America, Middle east. The 2011 census recorded that 2,998,264 people or 36.7% of London's population are foreign-born making London the city with the second largest immigrant population, behind New York City. Ethnicity is one of the many factors that play a role in food choices so factors such as the kind of demographics who live there (Racial make-up, ethnic groups) can give investors a good start off. In this project, we aim to find ideal location for opening Asian restaurant in London through analysis of demographics of London to choose best borough and explore neighborhoods of that borough.

Data

1. Demonstrate the Ethnic make-up of London(2011 Census). This can also be obtained from below link:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demography_of_London

2. Find list of all the boroughs of London. This data can be obtained from link below https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/London_boroughs

3. Find demography of London which will give more details about Racial make-up of London boroughs (2011 Census). This data can be obtained from below link :

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demography_of_London

4. Find all Neighbourhoods of Newham which can be obtained through web scraping from link below https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/London_Borough_of_Newham#Districts

5. Geographical co-ordinates of Boroughs of London and Districts of Newham was obtained with the help of Geopy Library (Geocoding Web Services).

6. I will use Foursquare location data (Foursquare API) to explore neighborhoods of Newham and get number of restaurants within defined radius of each neighborhood.

Exploratory Data Analysis

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In [3]: london_ethnic_fig=pd.DataFrame(tables[0])  
london_ethnic_fig.head()
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Out[3]:

	Ethnic Group	1991[6]		2001[7]		2011[8]		Change 2001-2011
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	%
0	White: British[Note 1]	NaN	NaN	4287861.0	59.79%	3669284	44.89%	14.43%
1	White: Irish	256470.0	3.83%	220488.0	3.07%	175974	2.15%	20.19%
2	White: Gypsy or Irish Traveller[Note 2]	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	8196	0.10%	NaN
3	White: Other[Note 1]	NaN	NaN	594854.0	8.29%	1033981	12.65%	73.82%
4	White: Total	5333580.0	79.80%	5103203.0	71.15%	4887435	59.79%	4.23%

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In [4]: print("There are",len(london_ethnic_fig.columns), "columns in the dataframe")  
print(london_ethnic_fig.columns)
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There are 8 columns in the dataframe  
MultiIndex([(, 'Ethnic Group', 'Ethnic Group'),  
            (, '1991[6]', 'Number'),  
            (, '1991[6]', '%'),  
            (, '2001[7]', 'Number'),  
            (, '2001[7]', '%'),  
            (, '2011[8]', 'Number'),  
            (, '2011[8]', '%'),  
            ('Change 2001-2011', '%')],  
            )
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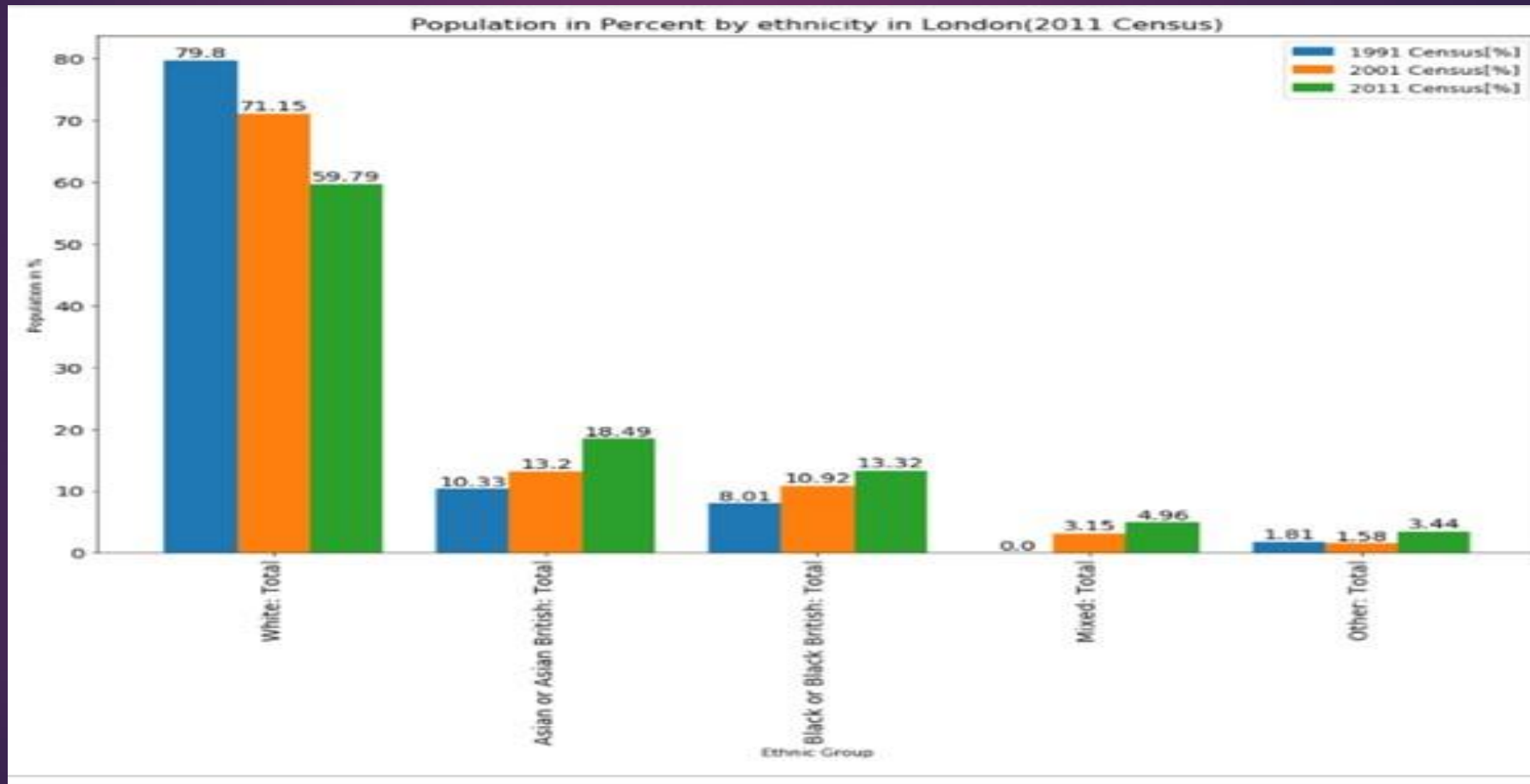
Percentage (%) of ethnic group

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In [10]: london_ethnic_fig1 = london_ethnic_fig[london_ethnic_fig['Ethnic Group'].notnull()]\nlondon_ethnic_fig2 = london_ethnic_fig1[['Ethnic Group', '1991 Census[%]', '2001 Census[%]', '2011 Census[%]']\nlondon_ethnic_fig2.reset_index(drop=True, inplace=True)\nlondon_ethnic_fig2.set_index('Ethnic Group', inplace=True)\nlondon_ethnic_fig2 = london_ethnic_fig2.drop(['Total'])\nlondon_ethnic_fig2
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Out[10]:

	1991 Census[%]	2001 Census[%]	2011 Census[%]
Ethnic Group			
White: Total	79.80	71.15	59.79
Asian or Asian British: Total	10.33	13.20	18.49
Black or Black British: Total	8.01	10.92	13.32
Mixed: Total	0.00	3.15	4.96
Other: Total	1.81	1.58	3.44

Population in percentages by ethnicity in London



Boroughs of London

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In [15]: London_df.head()
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Out[15]:
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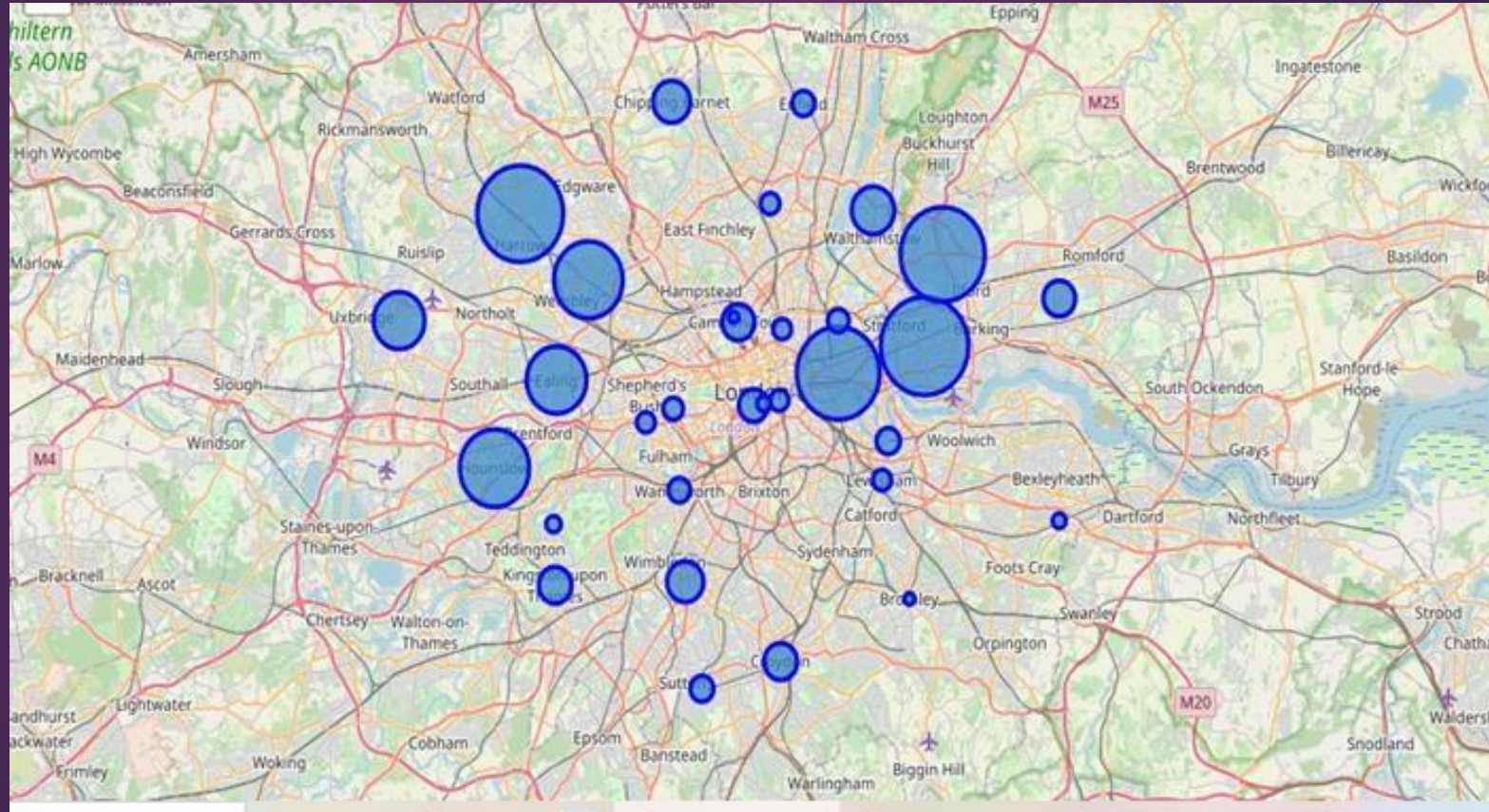
London_Borough	
0	Camden
1	Greenwich
2	Hackney
3	Hammersmith
4	Islington

Out[25]:

	London_Borough	White	Mixed	Asian	Black	Other
0	Barnet	64.1	4.8	18.5	7.7	4.8
1	Barking and Dagenham	58.3	4.2	15.9	20.0	1.6
2	Bexley	81.9	2.3	6.6	8.5	0.8
3	Brent	36.3	5.1	34.1	18.8	5.8
4	Bromley	84.3	3.5	5.2	6.0	0.9
5	Camden	66.3	5.6	16.1	8.2	3.8
6	Croydon	55.1	6.6	16.4	20.2	1.8

Racial make-
up of London
borough
(2011
Census)

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Superimposed neighbourhoods on the map of Newham



Venues nearby neighborhoods of Newham

	District	District Latitude	District Longitude	Venue	Venue Latitude	Venue Longitude	Venue Category
0	Beckton	51.51608	0.059426	East london Gymnastics Club	51.514107	0.060155	Gym / Fitness Center
1	Beckton	51.51608	0.059426	Lidl	51.515982	0.054794	Supermarket
2	Beckton	51.51608	0.059426	Home Bargains	51.516790	0.062967	Discount Store
3	Beckton	51.51608	0.059426	Lituanica	51.516442	0.062927	Grocery Store
4	Beckton	51.51608	0.059426	Pets at Home	51.520473	0.070494	Pet Store

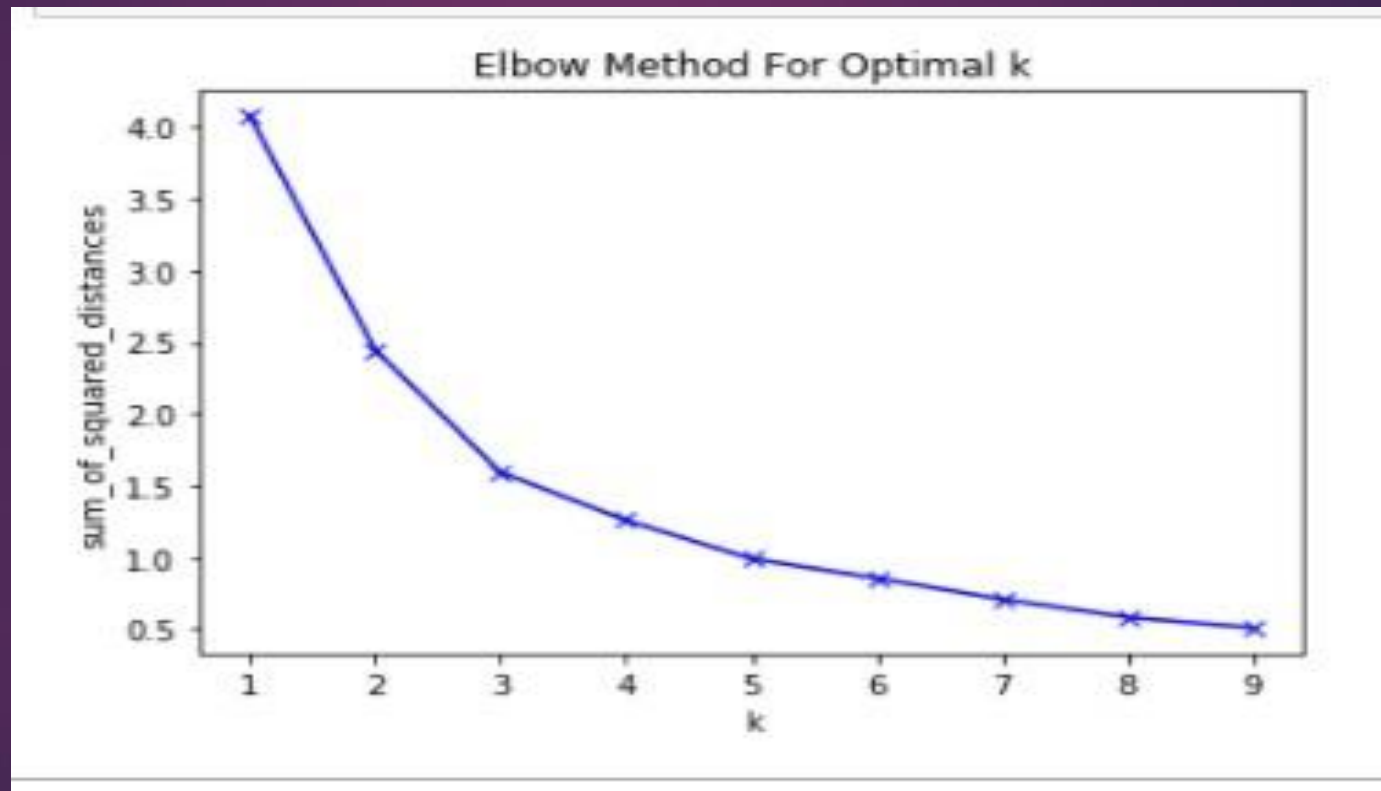
Dataframe after One- hot encoding

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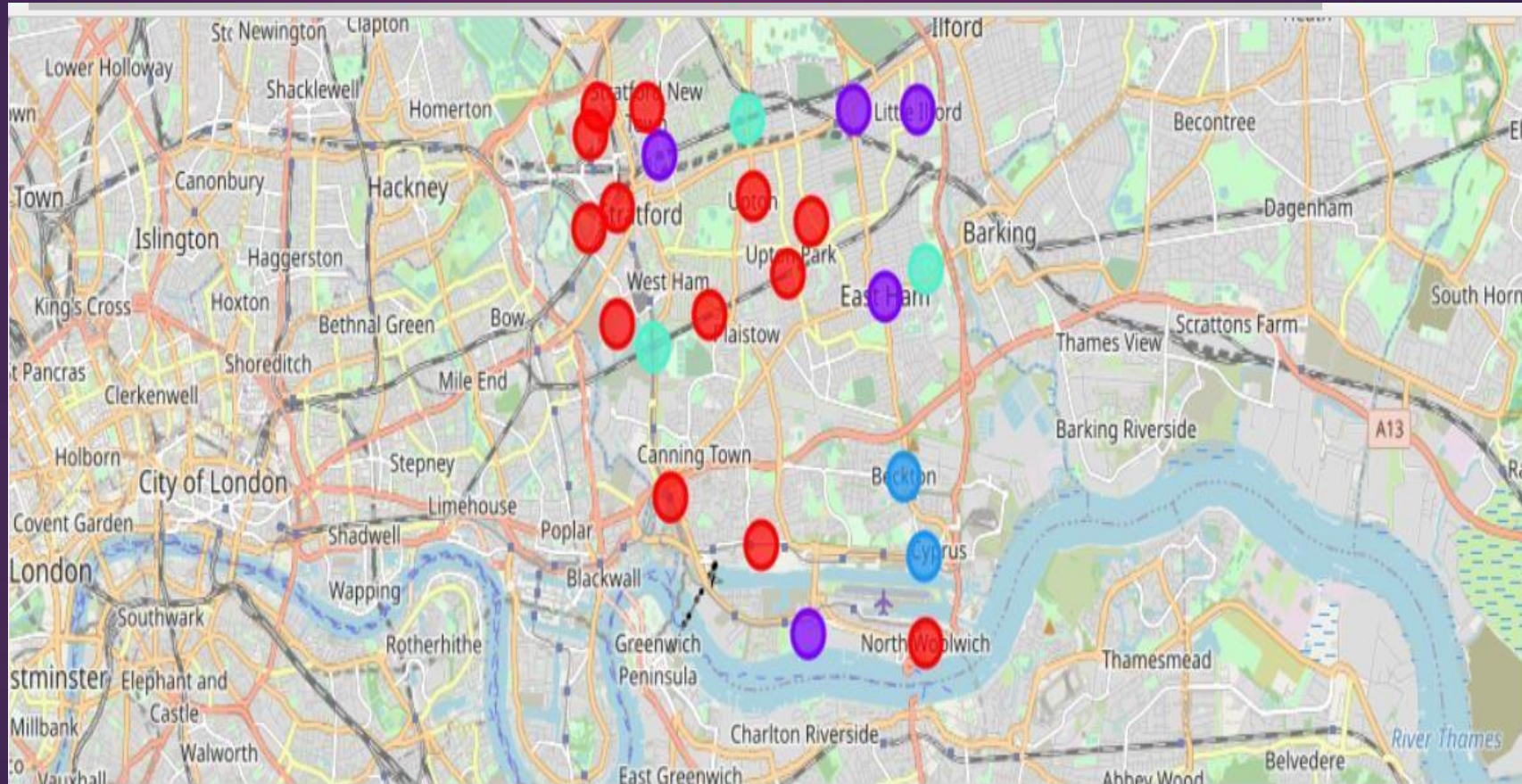
top 10 Most common venues in each neighborhood

	District	1st Most Common Venue	2nd Most Common Venue	3rd Most Common Venue	4th Most Common Venue	5th Most Common Venue	6th Most Common Venue	7th Most Common Venue	8th Most Common Venue	9th Most Common Venue	10th Most Common Venue
0	Beckton	Coffee Shop	Café	Comfort Food Restaurant	Food & Drink Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Fast Food Restaurant	English Restaurant	Eastern European Restaurant	Donut Shop	Doner Restaurant
1	Canning Town	Coffee Shop	Café	Fast Food Restaurant	Sandwich Place	Italian Restaurant	Diner	Food & Drink Shop	Turkish Restaurant	Breakfast Spot	Burger Joint
2	Custom House	Coffee Shop	Café	Tapas Restaurant	Chinese Restaurant	Restaurant	Bistro	Italian Restaurant	Lebanese Restaurant	Middle Eastern Restaurant	American Restaurant
3	Cyprus	Coffee Shop	Comfort Food Restaurant	Food & Drink Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Fast Food Restaurant	English Restaurant	Eastern European Restaurant	Donut Shop	Doner Restaurant	Diner
4	East Ham	Indian Restaurant	Fast Food Restaurant	Coffee Shop	Sandwich Place	Pizza Place	Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant	English Restaurant	Eastern European Restaurant	Donut Shop	Doner Restaurant

Elbow Method



Neighborhoods of Newham clustering



Examining Cluster 1

	District	Borough	Latitude	Longitude	Cluster Labels	1st Most Common Venue	2nd Most Common Venue	3rd Most Common Venue	4th Most Common Venue	5th Most Common Venue	6th Most Common Venue	7th Most Common Venue	8th Most Common Venue	9th Most Common Venue
4	East Ham	Newham	51.532963	0.055320	1	Indian Restaurant	Fast Food Restaurant	Coffee Shop	Sandwich Place	Pizza Place	Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant	English Restaurant	Eastern European Restaurant	Donut Shop
7	Little Ilford	Newham	51.550298	0.062522	1	Indian Restaurant	Fast Food Restaurant	Ice Cream Shop	Restaurant	Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant	Comfort Food Restaurant	English Restaurant	Eastern European Restaurant	Donut Shop
8	Maryland	Newham	51.546053	0.005922	1	Pizza Place	Café	Coffee Shop	Indian Restaurant	Burger Joint	Mediterranean Restaurant	English Restaurant	Eastern European Restaurant	Donut Shop
13	Silvertown	Newham	51.501363	0.038518	1	Coffee Shop	Sandwich Place	Restaurant	Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant	Mexican Restaurant	Asian Restaurant	Bistro	Café	Chinese Restaurant
21	Manor Park	Newham	51.550330	0.048580	1	Indian Restaurant	Restaurant	Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant	Comfort Food Restaurant	Fish & Chips Shop	Fast Food Restaurant	English Restaurant	Eastern European Restaurant	Donut Shop

In cluster 1, Indian restaurants, Fast food restaurants and Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant are most common.

Examining Cluster 2

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: cluster_2 = Newham_merged.loc[Newham_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 2, Newham_merged.columns[0:15]]
cluster_2
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	District	Borough	Latitude	Longitude	Cluster Labels	1st Most Common Venue	2nd Most Common Venue	3rd Most Common Venue	4th Most Common Venue	5th Most Common Venue	6th Most Common Venue	7th Most Common Venue	8th Most Common Venue	9th Most Common Venue	10th Most Common Venue
0	Beckton	Newham	51.516080	0.059426	2	Coffee Shop	Café	Comfort Food Restaurant	Food & Drink Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Fast Food Restaurant	English Restaurant	Eastern European Restaurant	Donut Shop	Restaurant
3	Cyprus	Newham	51.508478	0.063969	2	Coffee Shop	Comfort Food Restaurant	Food & Drink Shop	Fish & Chips Shop	Fast Food Restaurant	English Restaurant	Eastern European Restaurant	Donut Shop	Doner Restaurant	

In cluster2, Coffee shop and Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant are most common venues.

Discussion

Due to the diversity of the Newham in each neighborhood, there is an assortment of most common venues and there are numerous ethnic restaurants as well. Our analysis is focused on finding optimal neighborhood for opening Asian restaurant so to understand the clusters let us find out which neighborhood has the most common venues related to Asian ethnicity. From cluster 0, Custom House, Plashet, Upton Park, Upton, Silvertown are the neighborhoods with the highest number of Asian restaurants. In cluster 1, Indian Restaurant is most common across all the neighborhoods and these are not crowded with other Asian cuisines. Cluster 2 is not famous for Asian cuisine hence opening an Asian restaurant in these neighborhoods will not be profitable. In Cluster 3 Forest Gate and Wallend has Asian restaurant in top 2 most common venue.

Conclusion

One application of Clustering Algorithm, k-Means or others, to a multi-dimensional dataset, a very inquisitive result can be curated which helps to understand and visualize the data. The neighborhoods of Newham borough are very briefly segmented into four clusters based on the most common venue hence when looking for a restaurant location, one must consider who else is doing business in the neighborhood. If there are already many restaurants with the same concept of ethnic cooking, then it will not be a profitable deal to choose that location such neighborhoods are mostly appearing in cluster 0. While neighborhoods in cluster 1 are most common for Asian ethnic venue but at the same time, these are less crowded with Asian restaurants. To enjoy maximum patrons in the restaurant, the neighborhoods from cluster 1 are assumed the best choice to open Asian restaurant. The results of this project can be improved and made more inquisitive by considering neighborhoods of other boroughs which have high proportion of Asian population. The scope of this project can be expanded further to choose best borough for opening Asian or other ethnic concept restaurants and suggest a new vendor a profitable location in a diverse city like London.