Main Objective of the Analysis:

Essendon, Victoria -37.751530 144.909510

The main goal of this project is to collect and analyze data in order to select a location in Melbourne to open a Cafeteria. We want to help a business owner planning to open up a Cafe in a location by exploring better facilities around the Suburb.

This is an unsupervised machine learning problem where we need to group together suburbs having similar facilities. We will use K Means Clustering and Hierarchical Clustering to solve this problem.

Data Description:

- List of Suburbs in Melbourne, Australia which I have extracted from: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Category:Suburbs_of_Melbourne
- Latitude & Longitude of all the suburbs using Geocoder- venues in each suburb from foursquare API https://foursquare.com/

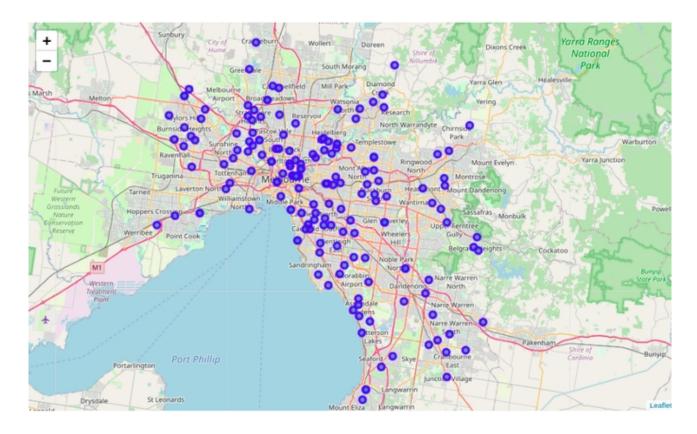
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url = 'https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Category:Suburbs_of_Melbourne'
page = requests.get(url)
soup = BeautifulSoup(page.content, 'html.parser')
table = soup.findAll('div', {'class': "mw-category-group"})

suburbs = []
for tag in soup.find_all("li"):
    if(', Victoria' in tag.text):
        text = tag.text
        i = 0
        while(not text[i].isalpha()):
        i = i + 1
        suburbs.append(tag.text[i:tag.text.index(", Victoria")+10])

len(suburbs)
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Data Understanding

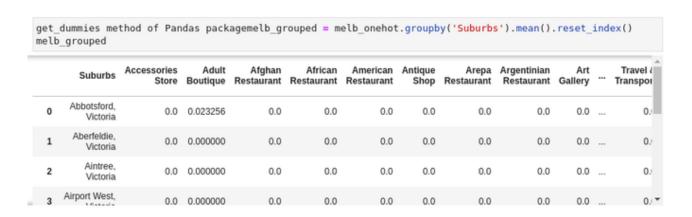
- The Wikipedia page contains a list of suburbs in Melbourne. There are 212 suburbs in Melbourne which I extracted using a web scraping technique with the help of Python BeautifulSoup and Request packages.
- the geographical coordinates such as latitude and longitude of each suburb were collected using Python's Geocoder package.
- Then, Foursquare API was used to extract details about the various venues present in each suburb.
- Once, the location data was extracted by using Geocoder, I used the Folium package to visualize the data on a map. This ensured us that the data we retrieved was correct.
- Foursquare API was used to obtain the top 100 venues within a radius of 2000 meters.



Data Cleaning and Feature Engineering

- Converted the data into dummy variables using get_dummies method of Pandas package that will be essential for performing clustering algorithm
- Grouped the data by Suburb & also taking the mean of the frequency of occurrence of each category.

- I extracted the data of the Cafeteria only
- Our final data frame had two variables: suburb name and the mean of the frequency of occurrence of cafes





Modeling

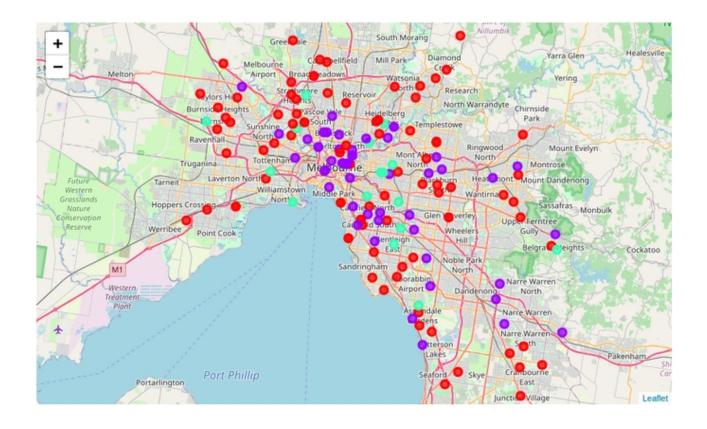
- Performed clustering on the data using K-means clustering and Hierarchical Clustering.
- For K means Clustering I used k = 3, 4, 5 clusters based on the frequency of occurrence of Cafes in each suburb.
- Found out the suburb which had the highest concentration of Cafes and also the lowest concentration

Results

I decided to use 3 clusters for this problem as this gives the best result. Categorized the data into 3 categories using K-means clustering based on the frequency of occurrence for 'Cafe'.

- Cluster 0: Suburbs with a low number of Cafes.
- Cluster 1: Suburbs with a moderate number of cafes.
- Cluster 2: Suburbs with a high concentration of Cafe.

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# set number of clusters
kclusters = 3
melb_grouped_clustering = res_melb.drop('Suburbs', 1)
# run k-means clustering
kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=kclusters, random_state=0).fit(melb_grouped_clustering)
# check cluster labels generated for each row in the dataframe
kmeans.labels
array([0, 2, 1, 0, 0, 1,
       1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 1, 0, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1,
                                           1,
       0, 0, 1, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
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       1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1,
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       1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2,
       0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1,
       1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1,
       0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 2, 2, 0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 2,
         1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2], dtype=int32)
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Evaluation

- Cluster 0 is displayed as the red color represents a greater opportunity and high potential but also suffers from the risk of having fewer customers as those areas are not busy areas.
- As a new business owner it wouldn't be wise enough to choose cluster 2. Therefore, I would recommend that cluster 1 represented by blue color, should be chosen where there is medium competition but greater opportunity.



Suggestions for Next Step:

I could get the population and average income of the suburbs, and then calculate the money to cafeterias ratio = population * income / number of cafes. The suburb with highest ratio would be the best opportunities, as they have a lot of population and money but less competition.