1. Introduction & Business Problem:

The City of New York, is the most populous city in the United States. It is diverse and is the financial capital of USA. It is multicultural. It provides lot of business oppourtunities and business friendly environment. It has attracted many different players into the market. It is a global hub of business and commerce. The city is a major center for banking and finance, retailing, world trade, transportation, tourism, real estate, new media, traditional media, advertising, legal services, accountancy, insurance, theater, fashion, and the arts in the United States. This also means that the market is highly competitive. As it is highly developed city so cost of doing business is also one of the highest. Thus, any new business venture or expansion needs to be analysed carefully. The insights derived from analysis will give good understanding of the business environment which help in strategically targeting the market. This will help in reduction of risk. And the Return on Investment will be reasonable.

Business Problem

The City of New York is famous for its excellent cuisine. It's food culture includes an array of international cuisines influenced by the city's immigrant history. Sushi restaurants have become so popular in the United States now it seems that there is one on every corner, not only in major cities but also in smaller cities. Starting a sushi restaurant can be a great business opportunity, but you need to distinguish yourself from others to enjoy long-term success.

If you plan a real restaurant that can demand higher prices for fresh fish, delivered daily from Japan, focus on neighborhoods and outlets that already attract a sophisticated Japanese client. If you plan a cheap buffet restaurant, points to the masses looking for affordable high-traffic locations with large shopping centers and other local points of interest.

My client wants to open his business in Manhattan area, so I focus on that borough during my analysis. We define potential neighborhood based on the number of sushi bars which are operating right in each neighborhood. Manhattan has full potential but also is a very challenging district to open a business because of high competition. New sushi bar should be open in an area that inadequate neighborhood in this way the bar

can attract more customers. Therefore, this analysis necessary to ensure that we have enough customers and that we are not so close to other sushi places.

2. Data

Data 1: Neighborhood has a total of 5 boroughs and 306 neighborhoods. In order to segement the neighborhoods and explore them, we will essentially need a dataset that contains the 5 boroughs and the neighborhoods that exist in each borough as well as the the latitude and logitude coordinates of each neighborhood. This dataset exists for free on the web. Link to the dataset is: https://geo.nyu.edu/catalog/nyu_2451_34572

| | Borough | Neighborhood | Latitude | Longitude |
|---|---------|--------------|-----------|------------|
| 0 | Bronx | Wakefield | 40.894705 | -73.847201 |
| 1 | Bronx | Co-op City | 40.874294 | -73.829939 |
| 2 | Bronx | Eastchester | 40.887556 | -73.827806 |
| 3 | Bronx | Fieldston | 40.895437 | -73.905643 |
| 4 | Bronx | Riverdale | 40.890834 | -73.912585 |

Data2: Newyork city geographical coordinates data will be utilized as input for the Foursquare API, that will be leveraged to provision venues information for each neighborhood. We will use the Foursquare API to explore neighborhoods in New York City. The below is image of the Foursquare API data.

In addition, Sushi category Id 4bf58dd8d48988d1d2941735 is used for retrieving data from Foursquare API.

3. Methodology

In this project, I will use the basic methodology as taught in Week 3 lab.

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Above, I have done convert addresses into their equivalent latitude and longitude values. Then we will use the Foursquare API to explore neighborhoods in Manhattan, New York. After that, explore function to get sushi restaurant categories in each neighborhood.

| | Neighborhood | Neighborhood Latitude | Neighborhood Longitude | Venue | Venue Latitude | Venue Longitude | Venue Category |
|---|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 0 | Fieldston | 40.895437 | -73.905643 | Asian Tokyo | 40.890839 | -73.898335 | Sushi Restaurant |
| 1 | Fieldston | 40.895437 | -73,905643 | Yokohama | 40.887214 | -73.904708 | Sushi Restaurant |
| 2 | Riverdale | 40.890834 | -73.912585 | Planet Tokyo | 40.886158 | -73.909615 | Sushi Restaurant |
| 3 | Riverdale | 40.890834 | -73.912585 | Yokohama | 40.887214 | -73.904708 | Sushi Restaurant |
| 4 | Kingsbridge | 40.881687 | -73.902818 | Yokohama | 40.887214 | -73.904708 | Sushi Restaurant |

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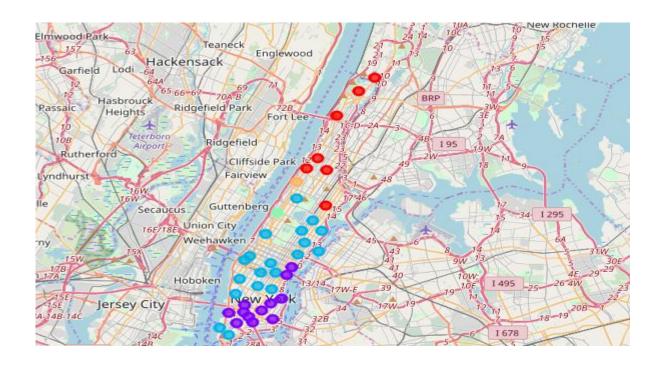


Sushi bars in Manhattan

| | Neighborhood | Asian Restaurant | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | | | Hawaiian Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | | | Ramen Restaurant | Restaurant | Sake Bar | Sandwich Place | Re |
|---|--------------|---------------------|--------|-----------------------|-----------------|---|---|------------------------|------------------------|---|---|---------------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|----|
| 0 | Marble Hill | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 1 | Chinatown | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 2 | Chinatown | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 3 | Chinatown | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 4 | Chinatown | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
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Then use this feature to group the neighborhoods into clusters K-means clustering algorithm will be use to complete this task. And also, the Folium library to visualize the neighborhoods in Manhattan and its emerging clusters.

| | Neighborhood | 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 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 0 | Annadale | Sushi Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Korean Restaurant | Bakery | Bubble Tea Shop | Burger Joint | Café | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar |
| 1 | Arden Heights | Sushi Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Korean Restaurant | Bakery | Bubble Tea Shop | Burger Joint | Café | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar |
| 2 | Astoria | Sushi Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Korean Restaurant | Bakery | Bubble Tea Shop | Burger Joint | Café | Chinese Restaurant |
| 3 | Astoria Heights | Sushi Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Korean Restaurant | Bakery | Bubble Tea Shop | Burger Joint | Café | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar |
| 4 | Auburndale | Sushi Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Korean Restaurant | Bakery | Bubble Tea Shop | Burger Joint | Café | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar |



4. Results

K-mean Cluster Using K-mean to clustering data area with less number of sushi bars

Cluster 0

| | Borough | Neighborhood | Latitude | Longitude | Cluster Labels | 1st Most Common Venue | 2nd Most Common Venue | 3rd Most Common Venue | 4th Most Common Venue | 5th Most Common Venue | | | 8th Most Common Venue | 9th Most Common Venue | c |
|---|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| 0 | Manhattan | Marble Hill | 40.876551 | -73.910660 | 0 | Sushi Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Korean Restaurant | Bakery | Bubble Tea Shop | Burger Joint | Café | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | |
| 1 | Manhattan | Chinatown | 40.715618 | -73,994279 | 0 | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Korean Restaurant | Bakery | Bubble Tea Shop | Burger Joint | Café | Chinese Restaurant | |
| 2 | Manhattan | Washington Heights | 40.851903 | -73,936900 | 0 | Sushi Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Korean Restaurant | Bakery | Bubble Tea Shop | Burger Joint | Café | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | |
| 3 | Manhattan | Inwood | 40.867684 | -73,921210 | 0 | Sushi Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Korean Restaurant | Bakery | Bubble Tea Shop | Burger Joint | Café | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | |
| 4 | Manhattan | Hamilton Heights | 40.823604 | -73.949688 | 0 | Sushi Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Korean Restaurant | Bakery | Bubble Tea Shop | Burger Joint | Café | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | |

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|----|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | Chinatown | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 18 | Greenwich Village | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Sake Bar | Grocery Store | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega |
| 19 | East Village | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 20 | Lower East Side | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restauran |
| 21 | Tribeca | Sushi Restaurant | Noodle House | Japanese Restaurant | Theme Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store |
| 22 | Little Italy | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Noodle House | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 23 | Soho | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Noodle House | Theme Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store |
| 31 | Noho | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 32 | Civic Center | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Noodle House | Theme Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store |
| 35 | Turtle Bay | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Steakhouse | Seafood Restaurant | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store |
| 36 | Tudor City | Sushi Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Steakhouse | Smoothie Shop | Seafood Restaurant | Sandwich Place | Sake Bar | Restaurant |
| 37 | Stuyvesant | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restaurant |

Cluster 2

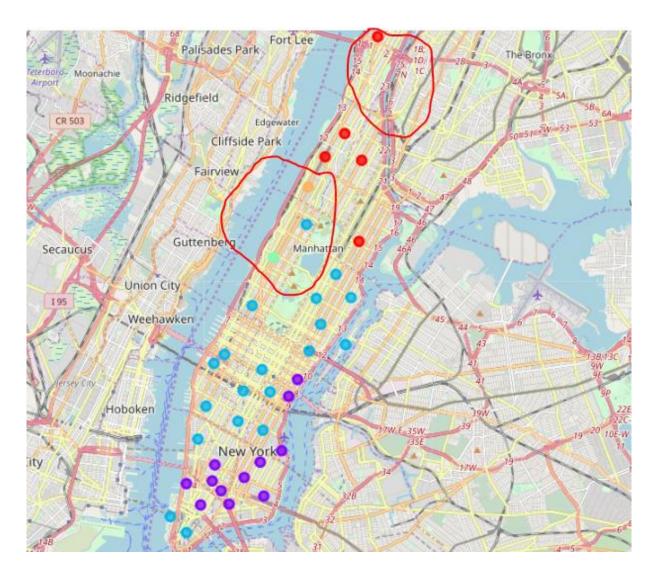
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| 8 | Upper East Side | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Grocery Store | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 9 | Yorkville | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Chinese Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 10 | Lenox Hill | Sushi Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Grocery Store | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 11 | Roosevelt Island | Sushi Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 13 | Lincoln Square | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Smoothie Shop | Chinese Restaurant | Grocery Store | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega |
| 14 | Clinton | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Poke Place | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Asian Restaurant | Seafood Restaurant | Sandwich Place | Sake Bar | Restaurant |
| 15 | Midtown | Sushi Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Seafood Restaurant | Ramen Restaurant | Bakery | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Sandwich Place | Sake Bar | Restaurant |
| 16 | Murray Hill | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Restaurant | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Ramen Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Sake Bar | Sandwich Place |
| 17 | Chelsea | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Smoothie Shop | Seafood Restaurant | Sandwich Place | Sake Bar | Restaurant | Ramen Restaurant |
| 24 | West Village | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Sake Bar | Grocery Store | Asian Restaurant | Sandwich Place | Seafood Restaurant | Restaurant | Ramen Restaurant |
| 25 | Manhattan Valley | Sushi Restaurant | Hawaiian Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store |
| 27 | Gramercy | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Chinese Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 28 | Battery Park City | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Noodle House | Theme Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store |
| 29 | Financial District | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 30 | Carnegie Hill | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Chinese Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Hawaiian Restaurant |
| 33 | Midtown South | Sushi Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Restaurant | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Ramen Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Sake Bar | Sandwich Place |
| 34 | Sutton Place | Sushi Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Steakhouse | Seafood Restaurant | Deli / Bodega | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Grocery Store |

Cluster 3

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| 12 | Upper West Side | Sushi Restaurant | Japanese Restaurant | Asian Restaurant | Grocery Store | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Hawaiian Restaurant | |

Cluster 4

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| | Neighborhood | 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 | |
| 26 | Morningside Heights | Sushi Restaurant | Hawaiian Restaurant | Vegetarian / Vegan Restaurant | Noodle House | Bakery | Chinese Restaurant | Cocktail Bar | Deli / Bodega | Grocery Store | Japanese Restaurant | |



Based on dataframe analysis above Cluster 3 (Upper West Side) and Cluster 4 (Morningside Heights) areas are the best places to open a new sushi bar business.

5. Discussion

In this section, I would be discussing the observations I have noted and the recommendation that I can make based on the results.

This analysis is performed on limited data. This may be right or may be wrong. But if good amount of data is available there is scope to come up with better results.

- There is high competition in Midtown and Soho so it is very risky to open business in these areas.
- Central Harlem has also potential where closes to Morningside Heights area.
- It can be done more detailed analysis by adding other factors such as transportation, demographics of inhabitants.

Finally, FourSquare proved to be a good source of data but frustrating at times.

Despite having a Developer account I regularly exceeded my hourly limit locking me out for the day.

6. Conclusion

Although all of the goals of this project were met there is definitely room for further improvement and development as noted below. However, the goals of the project were met and, with some more work, could easily be devleoped into a fully phledged application that could support the opening a business idea in an unknown location.

As per the neighbourhood or restaurant type mentioned like Sushi restaurants analysis can be checked. A venue with lowest risk and competition can be identified.