

# THE BATTLE OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS

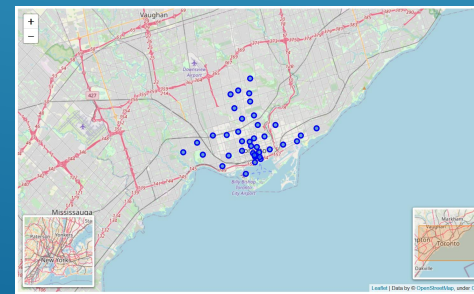
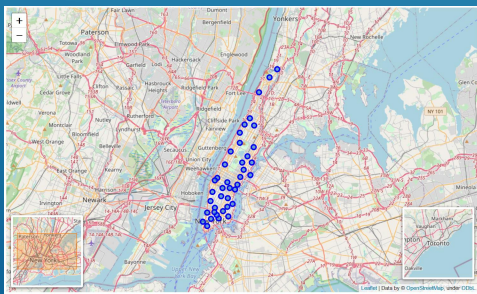
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# Motivation

- ▶ Person wants to move from New York to Toronto
- ▶ Assumption:
  - The person does not much about Toronto
  - Wants to find a neighborhood with similar venues
  - Does not want to spend time with collecting information, comparing etc.
- ▶ Is there a way to to make a smart and efficient decision for finding a suitable neighborhood in the new city?

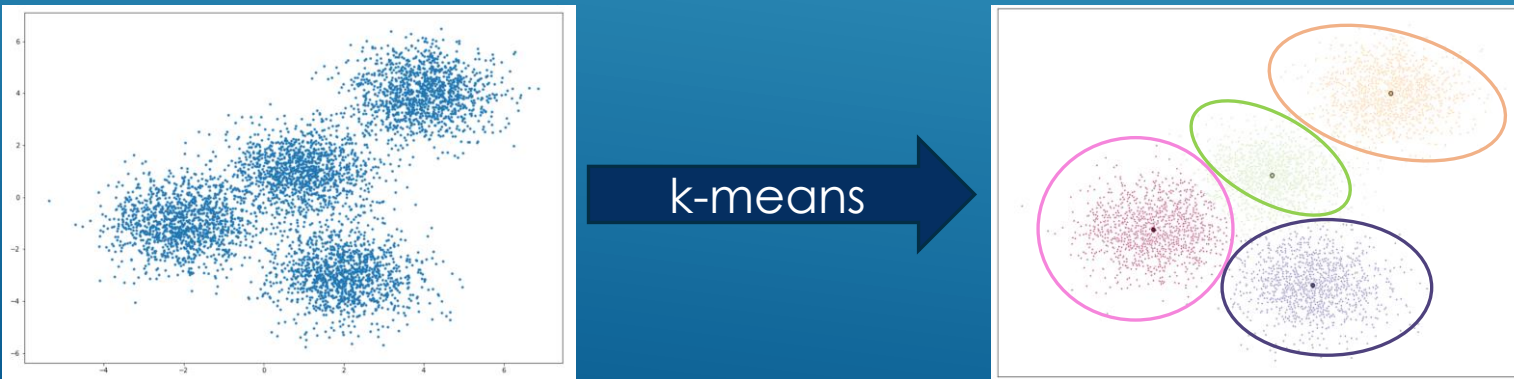


# Objectives

- ▶ Development of system to find similarities of neighborhoods
  - ▶ Order neighborhoods by similarities
    - → Clustering
  - ▶ Help User to make a good decision
    - Clear graphical representation
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# Method

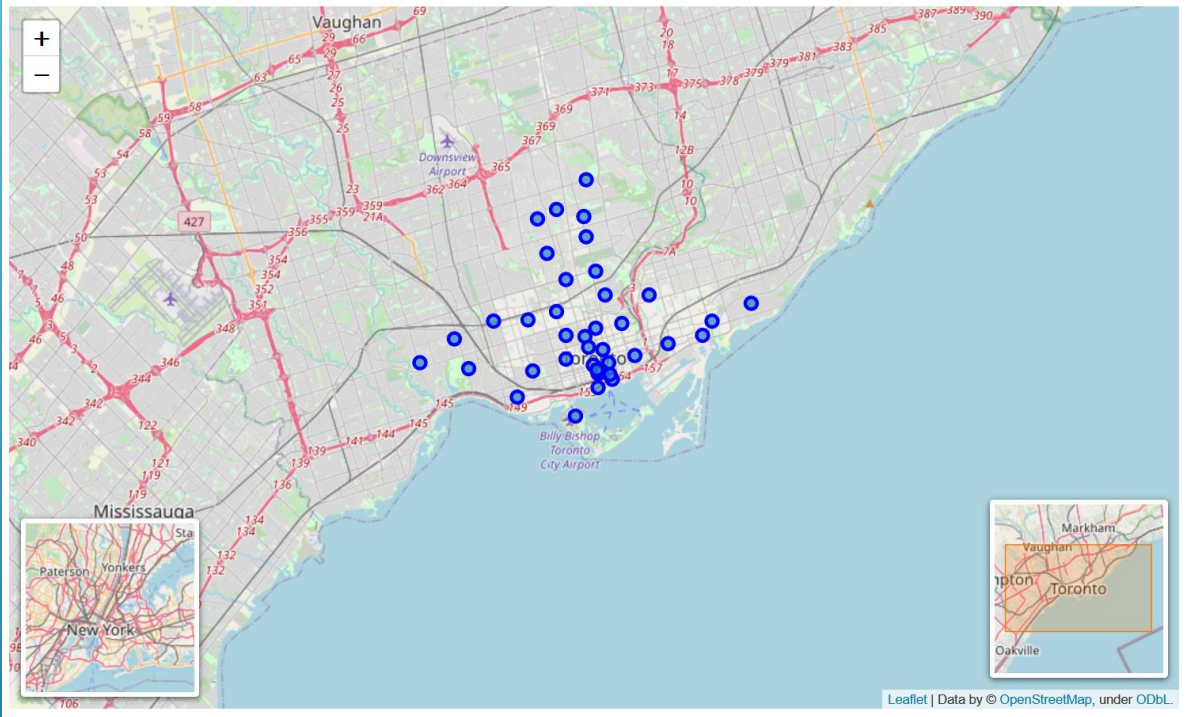
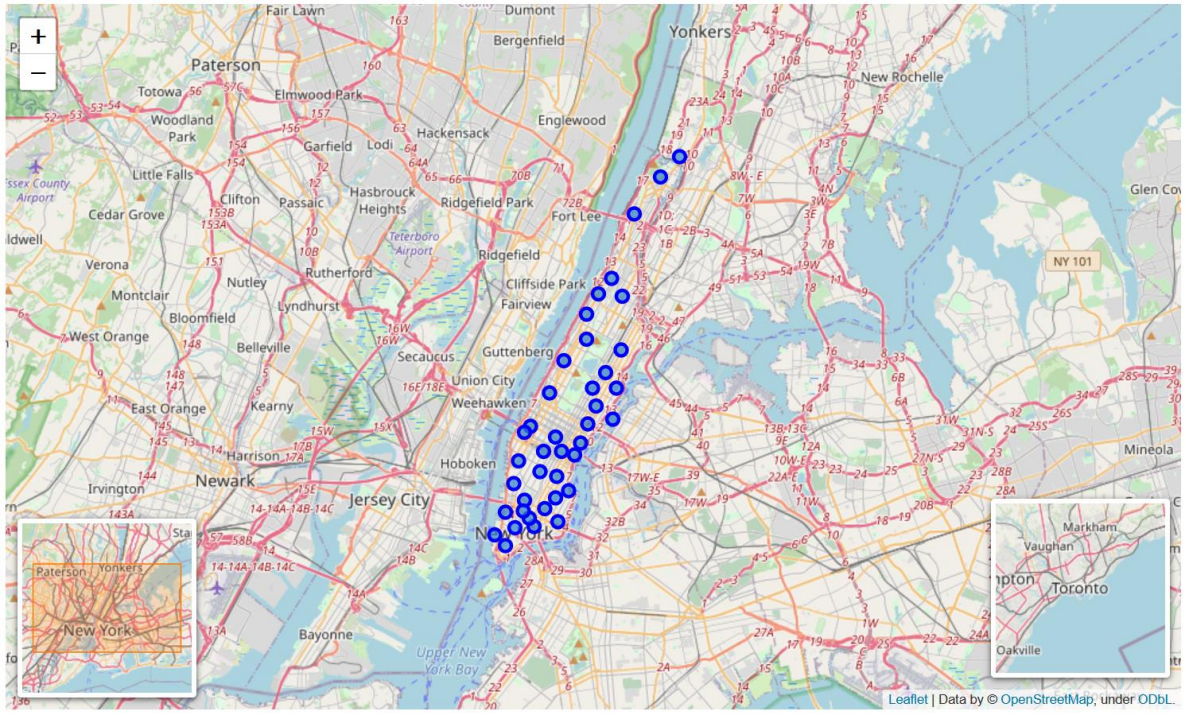
- ▶ Acquire neighborhood data via downloading
- ▶ Use Foursquare API information about venues for each neighborhood
- ▶ Encode categories of venues using One Hot
- ▶ Use k-means algorithm for finding similarities
  - Find number of k's for clusters with elbow method





# Results

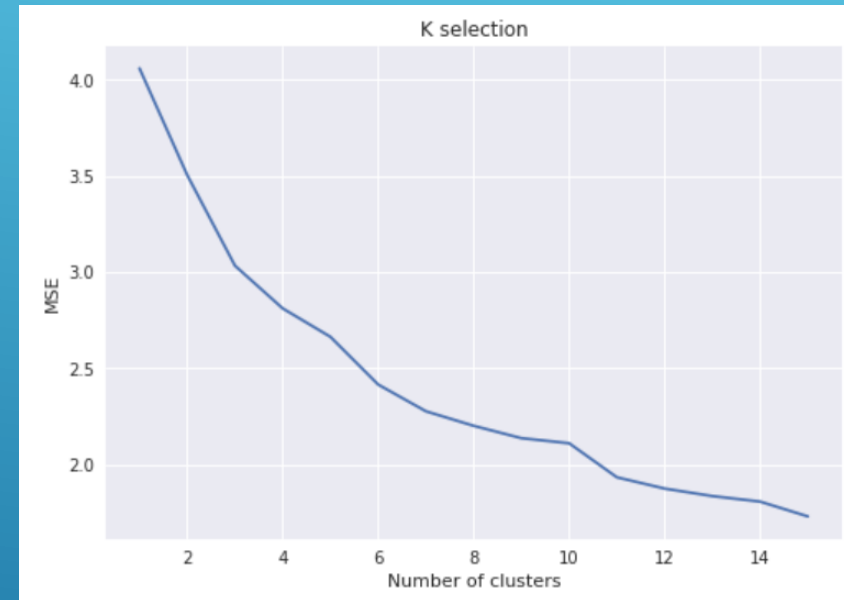
## Geographical Location



# Results

Finding appropriate number of clusters with k-means

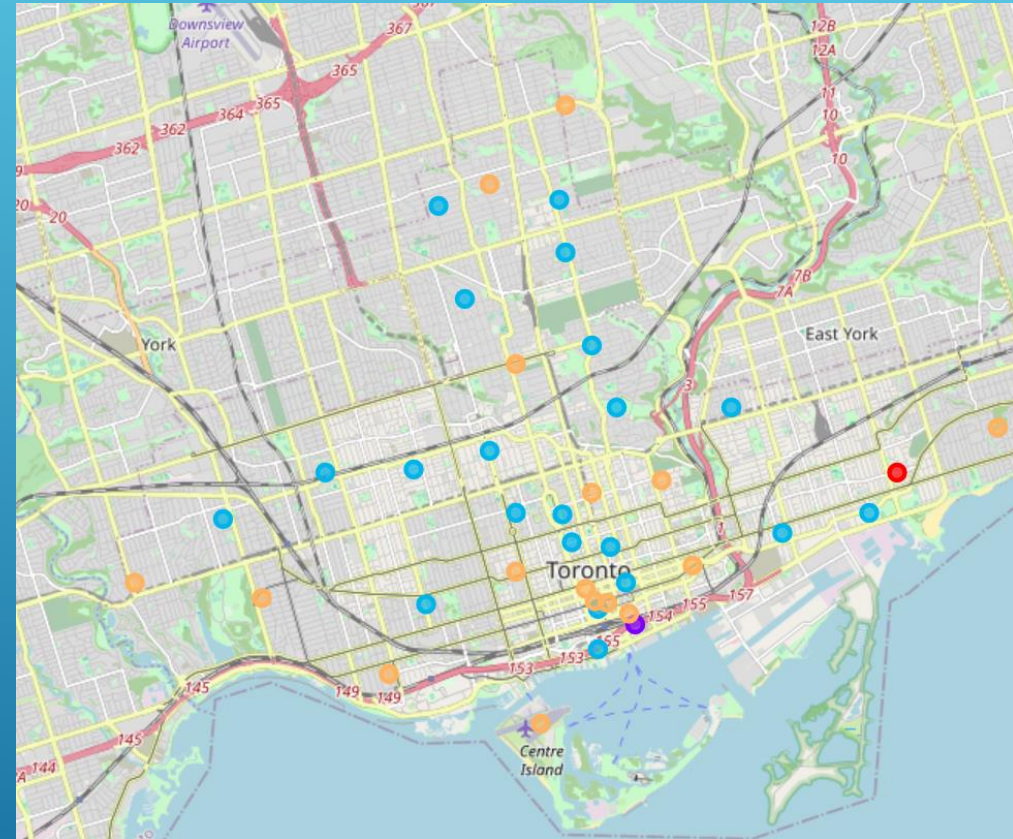
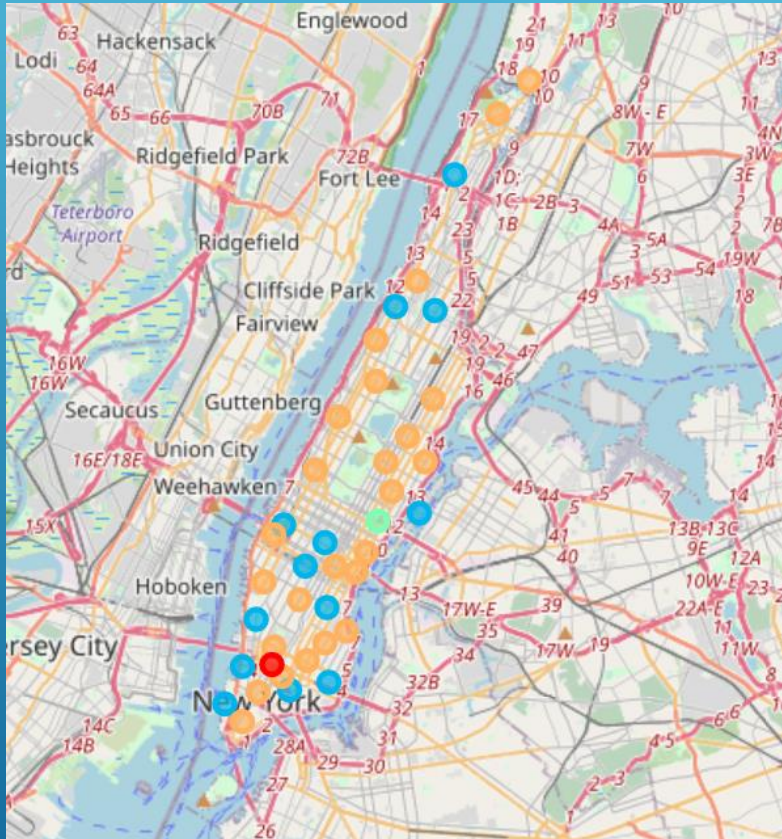
- Elbow is located around 5, therefore it is a value for the number of clusters





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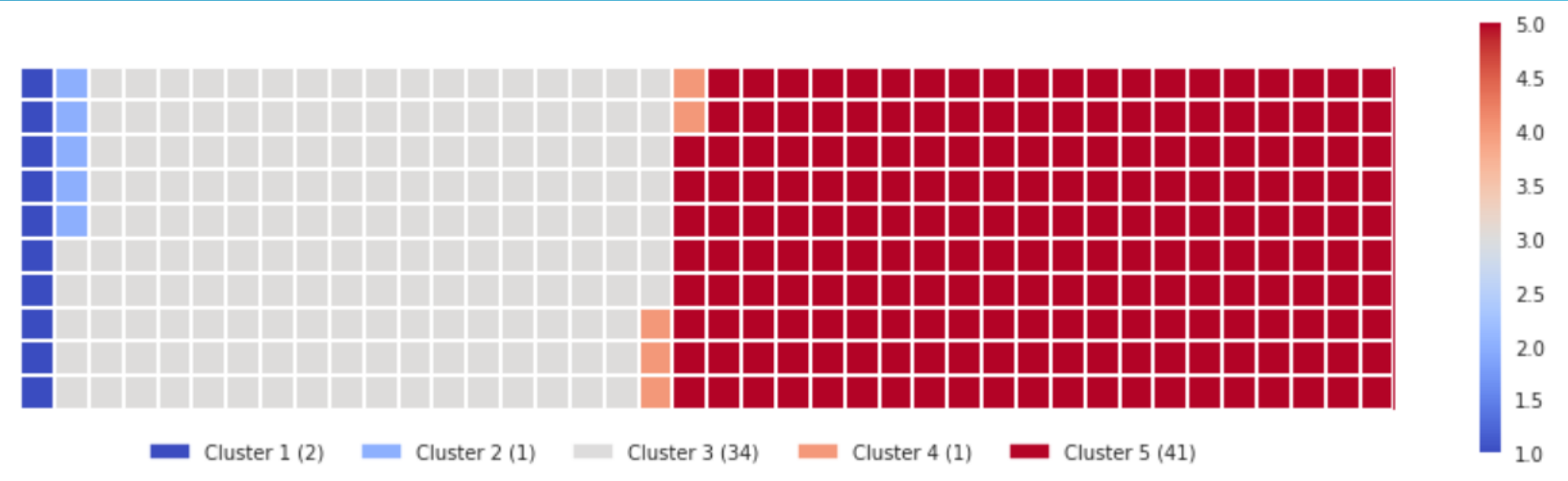
## Geographical location of clustered neighborhoods



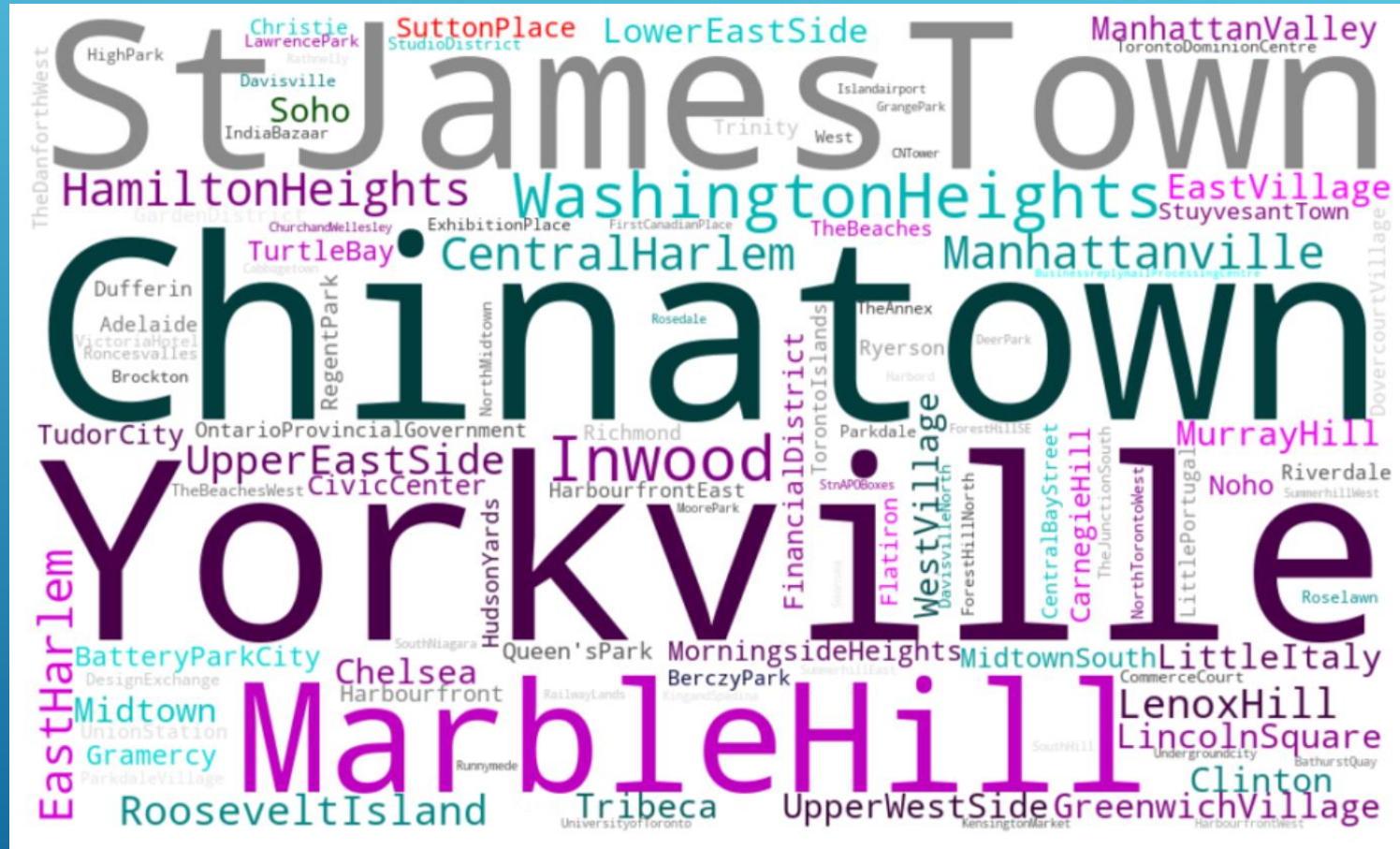


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Ratio of segmented Data

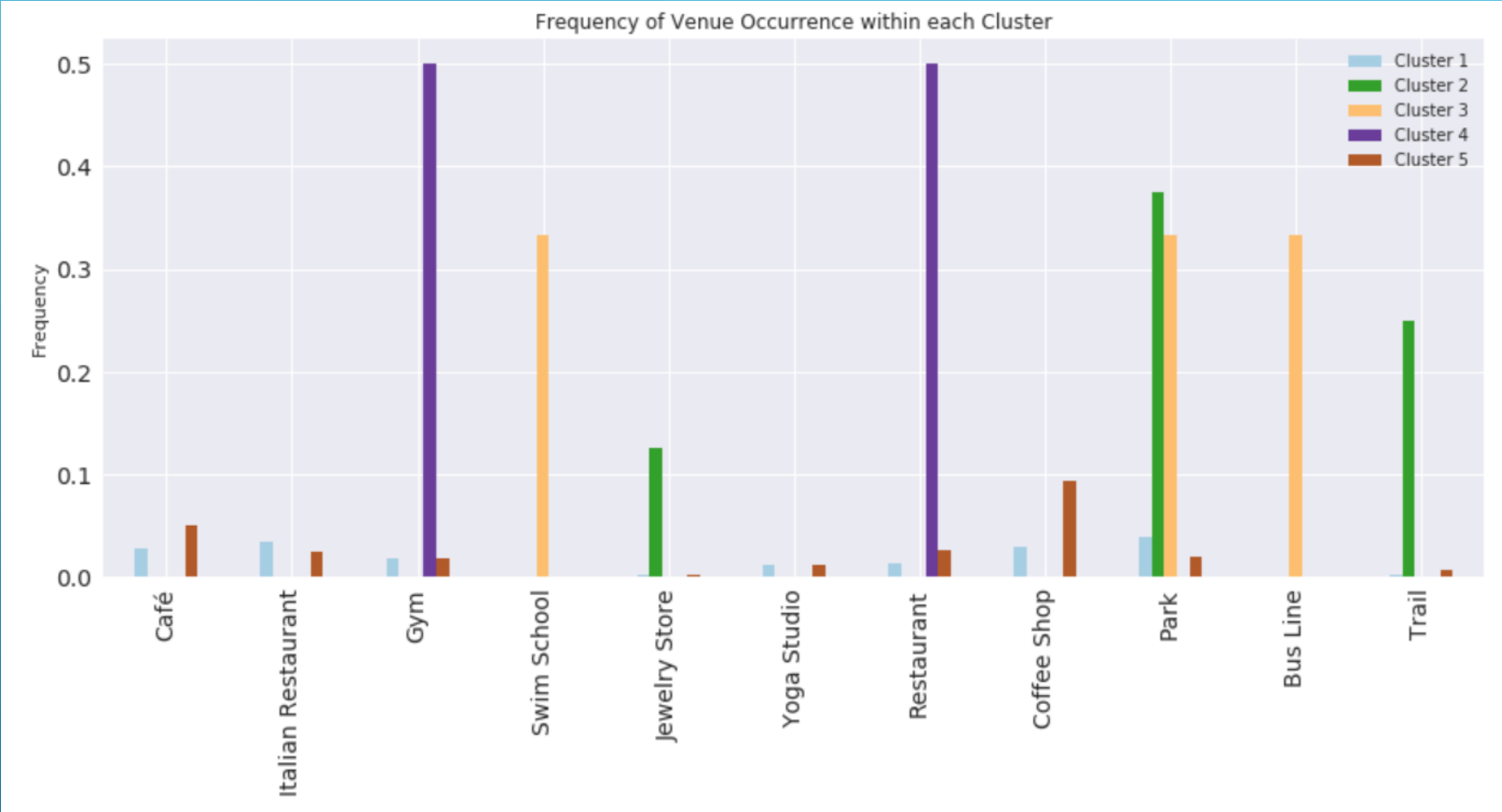


## Word Cloud with segmented Neighborhoods sorted by color

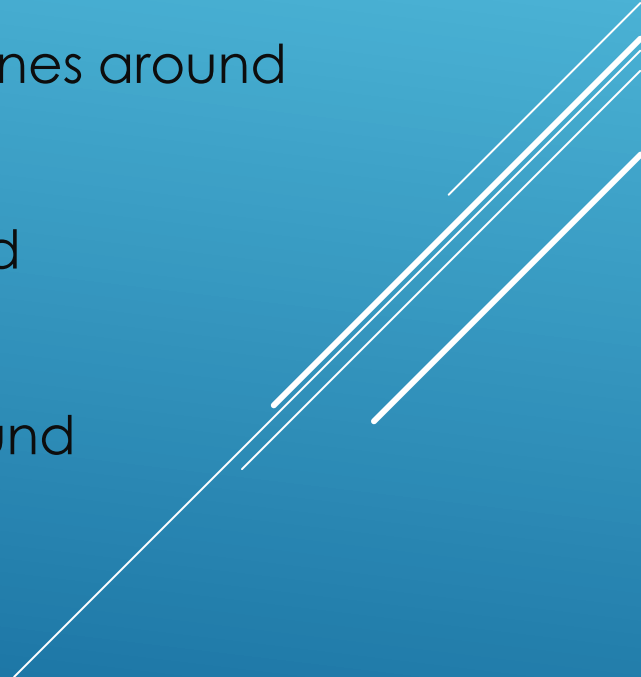


# Results

Bar Chart with frequency of Venues in cluster



# Conclusion

- ▶ **Cluster 1:** Neighborhoods that have Cafés, Italian Restaurants, Coffee Shops and Parks around
  - ▶ **Cluster 2:** Neighborhoods that have Jewelry Stores, Parks and Trails around
  - ▶ **Cluster 3:** Neighborhoods that have Swim Schools, Parks and Bus lines around
  - ▶ **Cluster 4:** Neighborhoods that have Gyms and Restaurants around
  - ▶ **Cluster 5:** Neighborhoods that have Cafés and Coffee Shops around
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