Capstone Project

Comparing Montreal and Paris

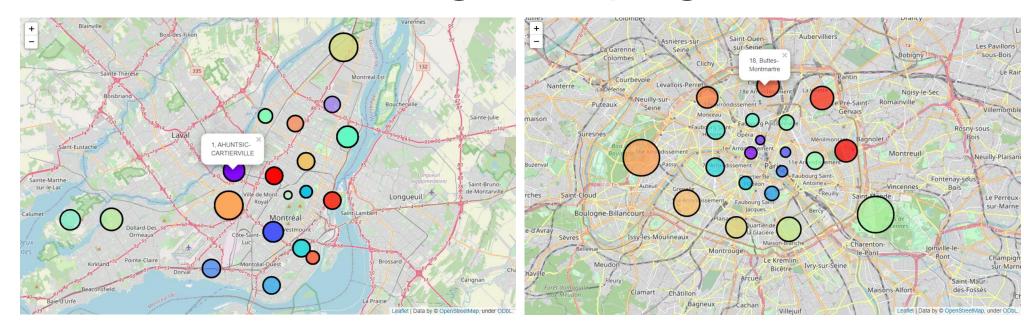
Introduction

- Paris and Montreal have both troumendous cultural background, and where Paris is the capital and main city of France, Montreal is the largest city of Quebec and its "cultural capital".
- Montreal is 3 times the size of Paris but its population density is 1/5 of Paris.
- What criterion should we use for the comparison? We choose 2. Museum related and the second one is Bar related.
- The results can get an interess from touristic compagnies that would like to refine their data. Their can be also an interess from sociological and history department from universities.

Data sources

- open data Paris & portail données ouvertes Montreal, which are websites that contain official datas of the boroughs and the neighborhood of Paris and Montreal.
- wikipedia to obtain complementary informations about the neighborhoods such as area or density population.
- FourSquare to get the venues for the each neighborhood of the two cities.
- Geopy was very usefull for getting the coordinate of the neighborhoods and the boroughs.

Boroughs maping



Montreal:

365 km²

19 Boroughs and 77 Neighborhoods

Paris:

105 km²

20 Boroughs and 80 Neighborhoods

Neighborhoods mapping



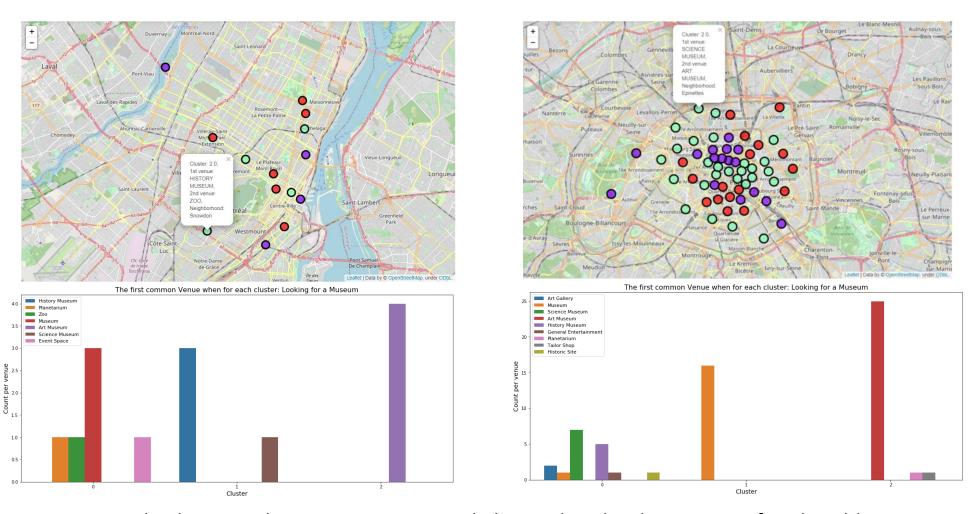
Boroughs in Montreal don't have the same number of neighborhood and are more randomly dispatch.

There is always 4 neighborhoods per borough in Paris.

Exploration of the neighborhoods

- Foursquare API was used to explore the neighborhoods.
- Radius = 750 meters
- Venues limited to 50.
- The query were "Museum" and "Bars".

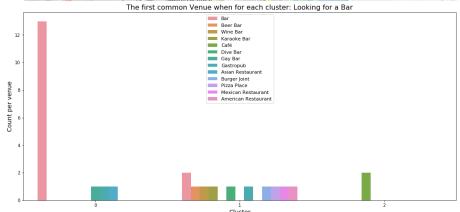
Looking for Museum

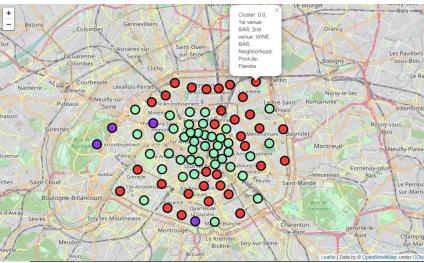


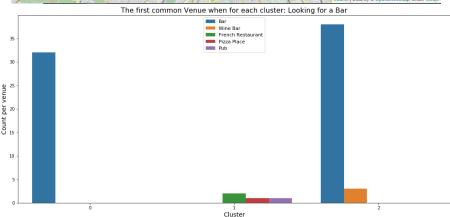
- In both cities, the museum are mainly located in the downtown of in the old center.
- In Paris, the neighborhoods in the center belong to 2 clusters only.

Looking for Bars









Discussion

- As an older city than Montreal, Paris also has a longer history than Montreal which can explain the difference in number of Museum across the cities.
- For both cities, most of the museum are located in the downtown or in the old center.
- For Paris, the bars are in every neighborhood of the city. Although this part of the "french culture" is well represented, the range of the kind of bars is pretty narrow.
- For Montreal, majority of the bars are located around the "PLateau-Mont-Royal", the kind of bars is pretty diverse.

Conclusion

- Altough both Montreal and Paris are well known for being "cultural places", they
 differe a lot.
- Paris possess a lot more Museum and most of the tourism industry gravitate around them, all along with wine bars or french restaurant mainly located in the center (i.e. the most touristic places).
- Montreal seems to posses a very different kind of tourism industry, less related to the Museum than Paris and much more connected to the cultural diversity.
- As a final line, only two criterion were used to compare the cities of Montreal and Paris which is very few. Other criterion could be added to this study in order to have a better comparison such as outdoors infrastructures, parks.