

# What's cooking?

Predicting cuisine  
by provided ingredients  
& market basket analysis

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# Data mining agenda

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Part 01

# What's the goal?

Predict the category of a dish's cuisine given a list of its ingredients.

## INGREDIENTS

romaine lettuce  
black olives  
grape tomatoes  
garlic  
pepper  
purple onion  
seasoning  
garbanzo beans  
feta cheese crumbles



CUISINE  
**greek**



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# Dataset

[Kaggle competition](#) free dataset with 3 features: cuisine, recipe id, ingredients

cuisine	id	ingredients
greek	10259	['romaine lettuce', 'black olives', 'grape tomatoes', 'garlic', 'pepper', 'purple onion', 'seasoning', 'garbanzo beans', 'feta cheese crumbles']
southern_us	25693	['plain flour', 'ground pepper', 'salt', 'tomatoes', 'ground black pepper', 'thyme', 'eggs', 'green tomatoes', 'yellow corn meal', 'milk', 'vegetable oil']
filipino	20130	['eggs', 'pepper', 'salt', 'mayonaise', 'cooking oil', 'green chilies', 'grilled chicken breasts', 'garlic powder', 'yellow onion', 'soy sauce', 'butter', 'chicken livers']
indian	22213	['water', 'vegetable oil', 'wheat', 'salt']

TRAINING SET

39.774  
recipes

TESTING SET

9.944  
recipes



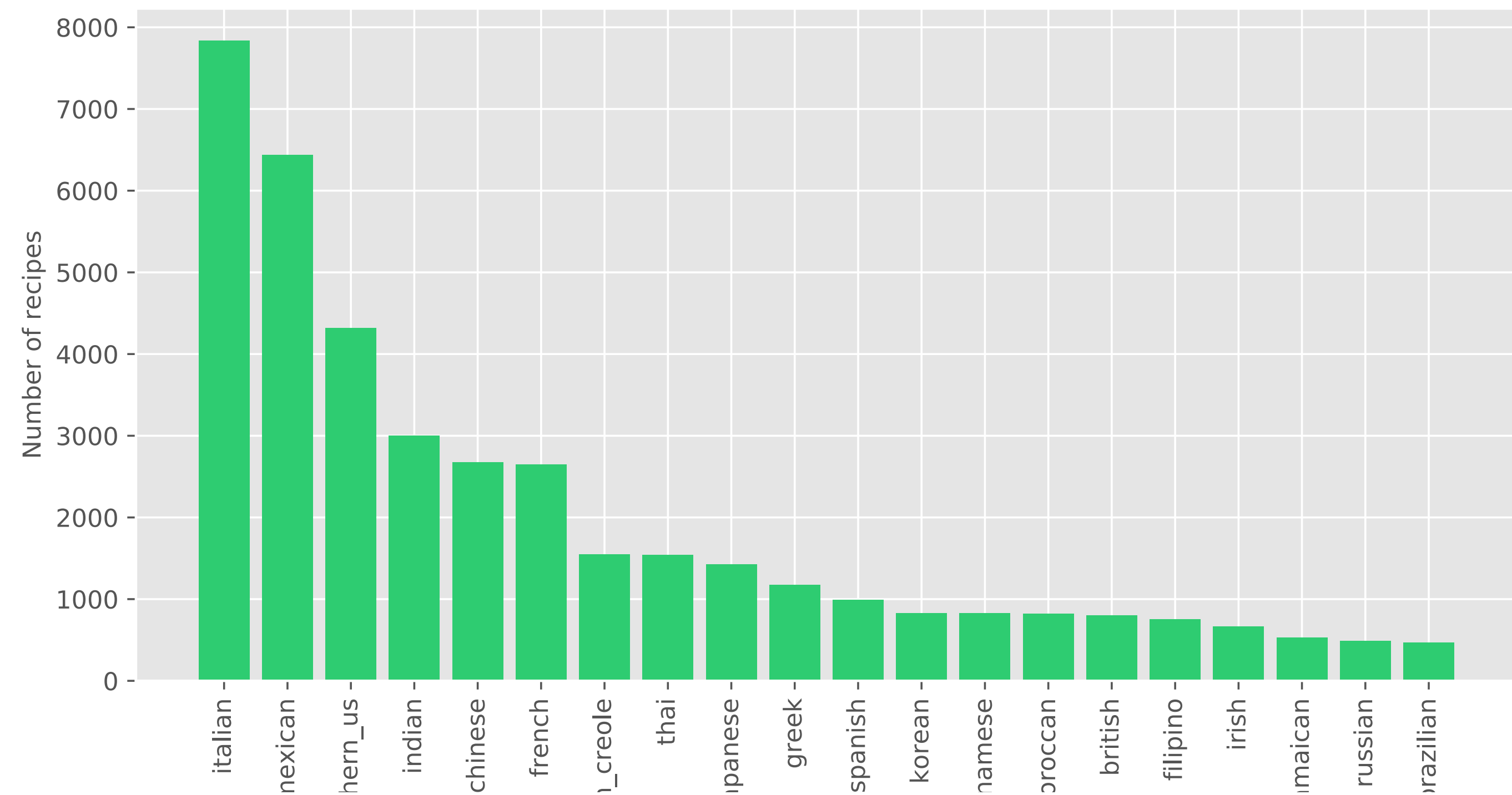
Part 02

# Dataset

CLASSES

**20**  
cuisines

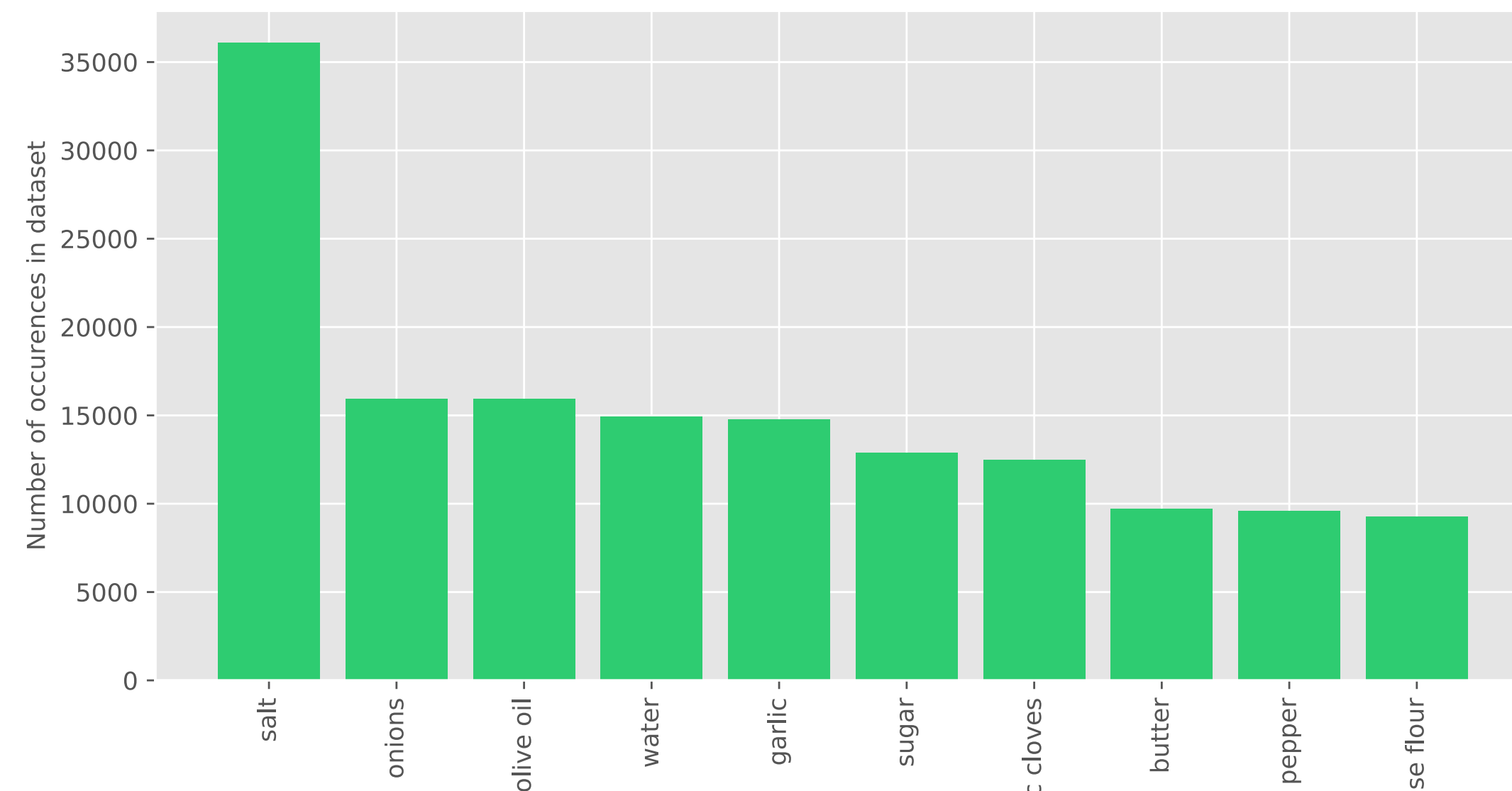
- number of dishes per cuisine:



## Part 02

# Dataset

- most frequent ingredients:



# Preprocessing

## 1. Ingredient concatenation

- some ingredients have multiple names:  
'finely chopped onion' & 'diced onions' & 'onions'
- computers view them as two distinct ingredients
- to solve this problem, ingredients are:
  - **concatenated** to form a single string
  - **tokenized**

example:

['water', 'vegetable oil', 'wheat', 'salt']



['water vegetable oil wheat salt']

## 2. Normalizing Case

- all words are converted to lowercase

example:

'KRAFT Zesty Italian Dressing'



'kraft zesty italian dressing'

# Preprocessing

## 3. Punctuation removal

- removing any redundant symbols from the set:

'!"#\$%&'()\*+,-./:;<=>?@[^\\_`{|}~™®'

## 4. Digits removal

- numbers do not hold much informational value for cuisine prediction

example:

'1% low-fat milk'

'40% less sodium taco seasoning'



# Preprocessing

## 5. Porter Stemming

- 'tomatoes' & 'tomato' are the same ingredient
- to achieve that, we use **stemming**:  
process of reducing words to their word stem,  
base or root form by removing characters  
from the word endings

example:

['tomatoes', 'sweetened', 'onions']



['tomato', 'sweeten', 'onion']

## 6. Rare words removal

- words that appear **less than 3 times** are removed from the ingredients, as their occurrence does not provide proof of distinctness between classes

examples of rare words (after stemming):

['poupon', 'krachai', 'nusalt', 'bluefish', 'rapini', 'rouget',  
'shanghaistyl', 'moscato', 'dasti', 'hors', 'delux', 'silk',  
'cupcak', 'surimi', 'dream', 'hint'...]

# Preprocessing

Features encoding: **Binary representation**

each dish is represented by a **vector** of length of the number of unique ingredients

feature vector at **i-th** term may be 1 or 0

**1**: **i-th** ingredient appears in the example

**0**: otherwise

ingredient cannot appear more than once

id	'olive'	'garlic'	'pepper'	'milk'	'broccoli'	...
10259	1	1	1	0	0	...
25693	0	0	1	0	0	...
20130	0	0	0	0	0	...
22213	0	0	0	1	0	...

# Prediction

1 Logistic  
Regression

5 Neural  
Network

- we compared 5 different predictive models
- models are evaluated on the test-train 20%-80% split of the training dataset

2 Gaussian  
Bayes  
classifier

3 Random  
Forest  
classifier

4 KNN  
classifier

Part 04

# 1. Logistic Regression

TRAIN ACCURACY

84.11%

TEST ACCURACY

78.66%



## 2. Gaussian Bayes classifier

Assumption: conditional independence assumption

we assume the probability of one ingredient does not depend on the presence of different ingredient in a dish

$$p(ingr_i | ingr_{i+1}, \dots, ingr_n, Dish_k) = p(ingr_i | Dish_k)$$

TRAIN ACCURACY

29.61%

TEST ACCURACY

23.77%

Part 04

# 3. Random Forest classifier

TRAIN ACCURACY

99.97%

TEST ACCURACY

75.80%

# 4. K nearest neighbors

Optimal K: 15

number of nearest neighbors 'K' found  
using Grid Search

Metric: minkowski

TRAIN ACCURACY

70.13%

TEST ACCURACY

65.48%

# 5. Neural Network

- we acquired the best results with the following architecture:

EPOCHS

100

BATCH SIZE

64

Layer (type)	Output shape	Param #
Dense	(None, 1024)	2749440
Batch Normalization	(None, 1024)	4096
Dropout	(None, 1024)	0
Dense	(None, 512)	524800
Dropout	(None, 512)	0
Dense	(None, 256)	131328
Dropout	(None, 256)	0
Dense	(None, 20)	5140

TRAIN ACCURACY

99.93%

TEST ACCURACY

80.38%



# Results discussion

- using the 5 classification algorithms discussed, the best performance observed is from the **NN model**
- we created a final model by training NN on the **whole training dataset**
- submission to kaggle we achieved the following accuracy:

**FINAL SCORE ON KAGGLE**

**80.31%**

# Results discussion

- we compared our results with the kernel [cuisine-classification](#), which achieved the best accuracy of 78.88% using the OVA SVM algorithm
- different feature encoding method - TF-IDF
- less thorough preprocessing steps (no sparse words removal)
- our model performed better by almost 2 % using the deep neural network

# Market basket analysis

- we used Apriori algorithm for rule generating
- algorithm was evaluated on every cuisine separately
- minimal threshold was dependent on number of recipes in cuisine
- only relevant rules were generated (with confidence > 70%)

# Results

- we deleted irrelevant rules (e. g. those, which resulted in salt)
- support and lift were also considered measures of good rule
- some rules were interesting, but some were obvious and not so useful



# General rules

peppper



salt

baking  
powder



flour

onion



garlic



flank steak -> corn starch

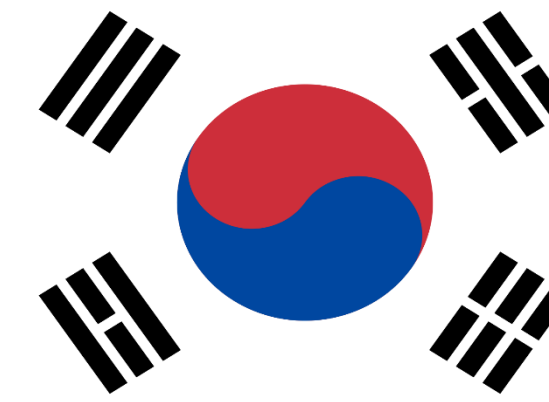


cardamom -> clove

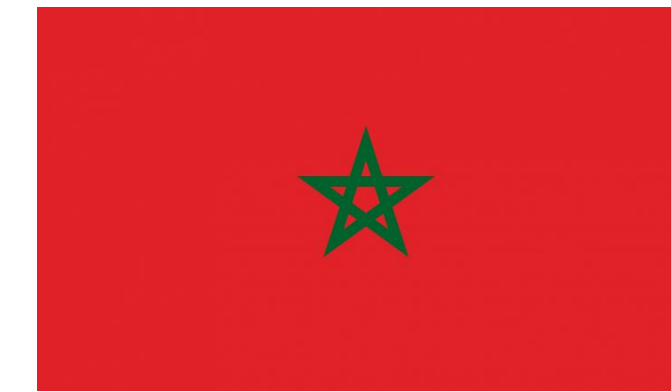
cream -> garam masala



galangal -> lemongrass



spinach -> carrots



coriander -> cumin



rice -> white wine

celery -> carrots

Thank you  
for your  
attention.

References:

[0] <https://www.kaggle.com/c/whats-cooking>



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