Capstone Project – Final Submission

Introduction

a. BACKGROUND

The final assessment set by the Coursera Applied Data Science Capstone centres around leveraging Foursquare location data to explore and compare neighbourhoods or cities of my choice; and to come up with and solve a problem using Foursquare location data.

b. PROBLEM

The task can be split into two sections: neighbourhood/city comparison, and problem solving hereafter named Question 1 and Question 2 respectively.

Question 1 objective: To compare the neighbourhoods of Downtown Toronto and Ottawa and determine how similar or dissimilar they are.

Using the Foursquare API I will explore the most common venue categories in Downtown Toronto and Ottawa, then use this feature to group the neighbourhoods into clusters — using K means. After which I will use the Folium library to visualise the neighbourhoods in both Toronto and Ottawa along with their emerging venue clusters. This information will benefit the Government of Canada as they are attempting to establish the diversity of venue types in these locations.

Question 2 objective: A restaurant owner is looking to open a new Italian restaurant in Toronto, the objective is to recommend the best area in which a new restaurant could be located.

Using the Foursquare APII will explore the Italian restaurants in each neighbourhood in Toronto. After which I will use the Folium library to visualise the restaurants to inform the owner of the current distribution. The spatial distribution is highly important from a competition point of view as an area highly saturated in italian cuisine will prove detrimental to their business. Therefore, the owner will be looking for an area that has none/few Italian restaurants at present.

c. <u>INTEREST</u>

As mentioned in the problem section of this report the interest can also be split into two sections.

Question 1 interest: The target audience of this analysis are the analysts within the Government of Canada. The stakeholders are the wider Government of Canada.

Question 2 interest: The target audience is the restaurant owner. The stakeholders are the bank – who are lending the owner the money to build his new restaurant.

Data acquisition and cleaning

a. DATA SOURCES

Question 1 data:

Csv of Toronto location data containing postal codes, boroughs and neighbourhoods – from a previous assessment in the IBM Data Science Specialization

Csv of Ottawa geospatial data containing postal codes, city, neighbourhood, latitude and longitude - https://github.com/ccnixon/postalcodes/blob/master/CanadianPostalCodes.csv

Geospatial coordinates of Toronto containing latitude and longitude - from a previous assessment in the IBM Data Science Specialization

Foursquare API location data for venues in Toronto and Ottawa – including venue latitude, longitude, category and name - https://api.foursquare.com/v2/. Limit 100. Radius 500.

Question 2 data:

Csv of Toronto location data containing postal codes, boroughs and neighbourhoods - from a previous assessment in the IBM Data Science Specialization

Geospatial coordinates or Toronto containing latitude and longitude - from a previous assessment in the IBM Data Science Specialization

Foursquare API location data for italian restaurants in Toronto – including name, address, latitude, longitude, distance, postal code, city, state and neighbourhood - https://api.foursquare.com/v2/. Limit 100. Radius 10000.

b. DATA CLEANING

Question 1 data cleaning: within the data sources section of this report you can see the Toronto data is separated across two csv files. The process of data cleaning involved joining these sources and inputting them into the same pandas dataframe. After which all boroughs that contained the value "Not assigned" were dropped from the dataframe and filtered to the Downtown Toronto borough. The venue data from the Foursquare API was filtered to only include venue name, category, latitude, longitude in Toronto and Ottawa respectively. The Ottawa data required no cleaning.

Question 2 data cleaning: as I was using the same Toronto data from question 1 no additional cleaning of the csv files was required. It is important to note that in this case the Toronto data was not limited to the Downtown borough. The Foursquare API data for this question was filtered to Toronto with an additional search query equal to italian.

c. FEATURE SELECTION

Question 1 features: venues in Downtown Toronto and Ottawa respectively from the Foursquare API

Question 2 features: Italian restaurants in Toronto from the Foursquare API

Methodology

a. **EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS**

Question 1 – exploratory data analysis

Objective: to compare the neighbourhoods of Downtown Toronto and Ottawa and determine how similar or dissimilar they are. In this section I will define the methodology used for exploratory data analysis related to question 1.

Toronto dataset:

- 1. Merging dataframes and data cleaning. The Toronto dataset is a merger of two data sources containing different metadata. The first dataset lists the postal codes, boroughs and neighbourhoods of Toronto, whilst the second contains geospatial information latitude and longitude. In order to visualise the data on a folium map it was necessary to merge these sources into a single dataframe containing all the metadata listed above. After exploring the dataset I discovered that some boroughs contained the equivalent of blank values "Not assigned", these were then dropped from the dataframe as they cannot be used in my analysis.
- 2. Initial exploration of the dataset involved investigating the dimensionality (.shape), descriptive statistics (.describe) and the data types (.dtypes) that exist in the dataset.
- 3. Validating the geospatial data. With the resulting merged dataframe it was now necessary to validate the accuracy of the location data. This was done visually using the folium package, defining the pop-up label to contain the related neighbourhood and borough.
- 4. Simplifying the dataset. In order to demonstrate additional skills I filtered the Toronto dataset to only include metadata associated with the borough of "Downtown Toronto".
- 5. Exploring the first neighbourhood in the filtered Toronto dataframe. Using the first neighbourhood listed in the new dataframe "Queen's Park, Ontario Provincial Government", I explored the corresponding geospatial information, and the top 100 venues within a 500 metre radius using the Foursquare API.
 - a. Borrowing the get_category function from the Foursquare API I categorized the resulting API request metadata (json) and committed the results to a new dataframe.
- 6. Exploring all neighbourhoods in Downtown Toronto. I applied the method used for exploring the first neighbourhood in Downtown Toronto to all neighbourhoods be defining a getNearbyVenues function. This function looped through all neighbourhoods in Downtown Toronto and applied the same criteria top 100 venues within a 500 metre radius via the Foursquare API, borrowing the get_category function. The venues were then grouped by neighbourhood and committed to a new dataframe with the number of unique categories stated.
- 7. Analysing each neighbourhood.
 - a. One hot encoding. As the venue data returned by the Foursquare API is categorical there is a need to convert it to numerical for further analysis. In order to do this I used one hot encoding to assign dummy values to each category. After which I grouped the data by neighbourhood and took the mean frequency of occurrence in each category.
 - b. Top 10 most common venues. I printed the top 5 most common venues in each neighbourhood and wrote a function that sorted the top 10 venues in descending order. The sorted venues were then committed to a new dataframe, tagged to their related neighbourhood.

Ottawa dataset:

- 1. Loading the dataset and data cleaning. The Ottawa dataset contained all the required metadata for plotting folium maps postal codes, city, neighbourhood, latitude and longitude. The dataset also did not contain any blank values or equivalents therefore no cleaning was necessary.
- 2. Initial exploration of the dataset involved investigating the dimensionality (.shape), descriptive statistics (.describe) and the data types (.dtypes) that exist in the dataset.
- 3. Validating the geospatial data. With the resulting dataframe it was now necessary to validate the accuracy of the location data. This was done using the folium package, defining the pop-up label to contain the related neighbourhood.
- 4. Simplifying the dataset. In order to demonstrate additional skills I filtered the Ottawa dataset to only include metadata associated with the neighbourhood "Downtown".
- 5. Exploring the first neighbourhood in the filtered Ottawa dataframe. Using the first neighbourhood listed in the new dataframe "Downtown", I explored the corresponding geospatial information, and the top 100 venues within a 500 metre radius using the Foursquare API.
 - a. Borrowing the get_category function from the Foursquare API I categorized the resulting API request metadata (json) and committed the results to a new dataframe.
- 6. Exploring all neighbourhoods in Ottawa. I applied the method used for exploring the first neighbourhood in Ottawa to all neighbourhoods be defining a getNearbyVenues function. This function looped through all neighbourhoods in Downtown Toronto and applied the same criteria top 100 venues within a 500 metre radius via the Foursquare API, borrowing the get_category function. The venues were then grouped by neighbourhood and committed to a new dataframe with the number of unique categories stated.
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Question 2 – exploratory data analysis

Objective: A restaurant owner is looking to open a new Italian restaurant in Toronto, the objective is to recommend the best area in which a new restaurant could be located. In this section I will define the methodology used for exploratory data analysis related to question 1.

- 1. To prevent duplication the data used for this question is the same underlying Toronto dataset discussed in question 1. Therefore, from an exploratory data analysis point of view this was already completed please see question 1 exploratory data analysis for the Toronto dataset above points 1,2, and 3.
- 2. Geospatial data. Unlike question 1 the data used in this question covers the all of Toronto and is not isolated to a particular neighbourhood. Using geocoder I converted the city of Toronto into latitude and longitude coordinates.
- 3. Exploring Italian restaurants in Toronto. Using the latitude and longitude coordinate results from geocoder I requested a search query from the Foursquare API, specifying the search query

- "Italian" and radius of 10,000 metres. This enabled the identification of all Italian restaurants within the city of Toronto.
- 4. Data cleaning. The results from the Foursquare API contained a vast amount of irrelevant metadata so after converting the json output to a new dataframe I dropped these columns.
- 5. Venue category. I defined and looped the get category function to the entire dataframe enabling the extraction of the venue category, committing the new found category to the dataframe.
- 6. Visualization. The intention of this question is to identify the spatial location of all pre-existing Italian restaurants in Toronto, enabling the restaurant owner to make an informed decision on where to build his new restaurant. The spatial distribution is highly important from a competition point of view as an area highly saturated in Italian cuisine will prove detrimental to their business. Therefore, the owner is looking for an area that has none/few Italian restaurants at present. To satisfy this requirement I visualised the current Italian restaurants on a folium map informing the owner of current spatial distribution.
- 7. Choosing the location of a new Italian restaurant. Now that I have identified the best areas for a new Italian restaurant the owner can now focus on building his venue in one of these areas. The specific address of the new Italian restaurant is beyond the scope of this project as it depends on various external factors such as availability of building for sale etc.

b. Machine learning

Question 1 – machine learning

Objective: to compare the neighbourhoods of Downtown Toronto and Ottawa and determine how similar or dissimilar they are. In this section I will define the methodology used for machine learning related to question 1.

The most appropriate machine learning technique for the scenario detailed in this report is k-means clustering as by definition k-means clusters data based on its similarity. The objective of question 1 is to determine the similarity or dissimilarity between the neighbourhoods of Downtown Toronto and Ottawa so k-means clustering is a natural fit. The methodology below describes how I used venues to group neighbourhoods into categories.

Toronto dataset:

- 1. Following on from point 7 in the exploratory data analysis section, in which I identified the top 10 most common venues in each neighbourhood. I determined the optimum value of k using the elbow method and ran k-means clustering on the neighbourhoods in Downtown Toronto resulting in clusters of neighbourhoods based on their venues. I then generated a new dataframe containing the new cluster labels and top 10 most common venues in each neighbourhood.
- 2. Visualising the clusters. Using the newly generated dataframe containing the cluster labels I visualised the clusters on a folium map to determine their spatial distribution.
- 3. Examining the clusters. In order to identify the venue categories that distinguish each cluster I examined each cluster group separately within my jupyter notebook.

Ottawa dataset:

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c. RESULTS

Question 1 - results

Objective: to compare the neighbourhoods of Downtown Toronto and Ottawa and determine how similar or dissimilar they are. In this section I will detail the results of my analysis – for the code please see my jupyter notebook.

Toronto dataset:

1. Merged and cleaned dataset.

Loading the Toronto and Ottawa data into two seperate pandas dataframes:

```
# Loading toronto wiki table of postcodes
df1 = pd.read_csv('postal_codes_of_canada.csv')

# Dropping the Borough rows that contain the value "Not assigned"
df1 = df1[df1.Borough != "Not assigned"]

# Loading csv file of cooordinates
coords_df = pd.read_csv("Geospatial_Coordinates.csv")
coords_df.head()

#merging the two dataframes into a single df_toronto - using the Postal Code.
df_toronto = pd.merge(df1,coords_df,on="Postal Code")
# filtering the df to only include boroughs that contain the word "toronto".
df_toronto = df_toronto[df_toronto['Borough'].str.contains("Toronto")]

#renaming neighborhood column
df_toronto.rename(columns={'Neighbourhood': 'Neighborhood'}, inplace=True)
df_toronto.head(3)
```

	Postal Code	Borough	Neighborhood	Latitude	Longitude
15	M7Y	East Toronto	Business reply mail Processing Centre, South C	43.662744	-79.321558
17	M7A	Downtown Toronto	Queen's Park, Ontario Provincial Government	43.662301	-79.389494
18	M6S	West Toronto	Runnymede, Swansea	43.651571	-79.484450

2. Dimensionality, descriptive statistics and data types.

df_toronto.shape
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df_toronto.describe()

Latitude Longitude

count 39.000000 39.000000

mean 43.667135 -79.389873

std 0.023478 0.037451

min 43.628947 -79.484450

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50% 43.662301 -79.387383

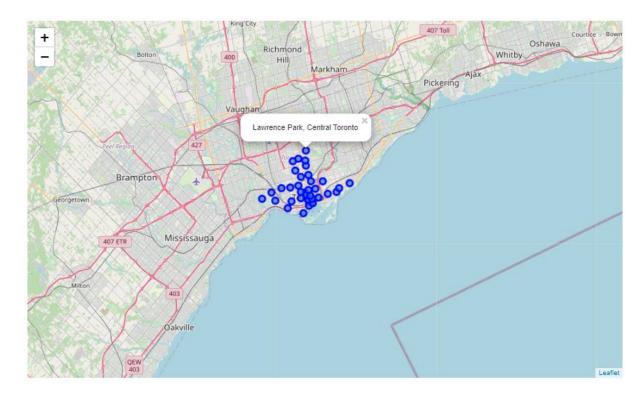
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max 43.728020 -79.293031

df_toronto.dtypes

Postal Code object
Borough object
Neighborhood object
Latitude float64
Longitude float64
dtype: object

3. Validating the geospatial data.



4. Simplifying the dataset.

Focusing on the Toronto dataset

Simplifying the Toronto data to cluster only the neighborhoods in Downtown Toronto

```
toronto_downtown_data = df_toronto[df_toronto["Borough"]=="Downtown Toronto"].reset_index(drop=True)
toronto_downtown_data.head(10)
```

	Postal Code	Borough	Neighborhood	Latitude	Longitude
0	M7A	Downtown Toronto	Queen's Park, Ontario Provincial Government	43.662301	-79.389494
1	M6G	Downtown Toronto	Christie	43.669542	-79.422564
2	M5X	Downtown Toronto	First Canadian Place, Underground city	43.648429	-79.382280
3	M5W	Downtown Toronto	Stn A PO Boxes	43.646435	-79.374846
4	M5V	Downtown Toronto	CN Tower, King and Spadina, Railway Lands, Har	43.628947	-79.394420
5	M5T	Downtown Toronto	Kensington Market, Chinatown, Grange Park	43.653206	-79.400049
6	M5S	Downtown Toronto	University of Toronto, Harbord	43.662696	-79.400049
7	M5L	Downtown Toronto	Commerce Court, Victoria Hotel	43.648198	-79.379817
8	M5K	Downtown Toronto	Toronto Dominion Centre, Design Exchange	43.647177	-79.381576
9	M5J	Downtown Toronto	Harbourfront East, Union Station, Toronto Islands	43.640816	-79.381752

5. Exploring the first neighbourhood and the top 100 venues in a radius of 500m, with resulting dataframe.

Define Foursquare credentials

Exploring the top 100 venues that are in Queen's Park within a radius of 500 meters.

	name	categories	lat	Ing
0	Queen's Park	Park	43.663946	-79.392180
1	Mercatto	Italian Restaurant	43.660391	-79.387664
2	NEO COFFEE BAR	Coffee Shop	43.660130	-79.385830
3	Central YMCA	Distribution Center	43.663083	-79.385025
4	T-Swirl Crepe	Creperie	43.663452	-79.384125

print('{} venues were returned by Foursquare.'.format(nearby_venues.shape[0]))

33 venues were returned by Foursquare.

6. Exploring all neighbourhoods in Downtown Toronto, grouping venues by neighbourhood

Grouping venues in Downtown Toronto by neighborhood

 $toronto_downtown_venues.group by (\verb"Neighborhood").count()$ Neighborhood Neighborhood Venue Venue Venue Latitude Longitude Latitude Longitude Category Neighborhood Berczy Park CN Tower, King and Spadina, Railway Lands, Harbourfront West, Bathurst Quay, South Niagara, Island airport Central Bay Street Church and Wellesley Commerce Court, Victoria Hotel First Canadian Place, Underground city Garden District, Ryerson Harbourfront East, Union Station, Toronto Islands Kensington Market, Chinatown, Grange Park Queen's Park, Ontario Provincial Government Regent Park, Harbourfront Richmond, Adelaide, King Rosedale St. James Town St. James Town, Cabbagetown Stn A PO Boxes Toronto Dominion Centre, Design Exchange University of Toronto, Harbord

print('There are {} uniques categories.'.format(len(toronto_downtown_venues['Venue Category'].unique())))

There are 206 uniques categories.

7. Analysing each neighbourhood, with the top 10 most common venues in each neighbourhood detailed.

Defining a new dataframe and displaying the top 10 venues for each neighborhood within Downtown Toronto

	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
0	Berczy Park	Coffee Shop	Cocktail Bar	Cheese Shop	Farmers Market	Seafood Restaurant	Bakery	Beer Bar	Restaurant	Eastern European Restaurant	Hotel
1	CN Tower, King and Spadina, Railway Lands, Har	Airport Service	Airport Lounge	Airport Terminal	Boat or Ferry	Sculpture Garden	Plane	Boutique	Rental Car Location	Harbor / Marina	Coffee Shop
2	Central Bay Street	Coffee Shop	Sandwich Place	Italian Restaurant	Café	Salad Place	Bubble Tea Shop	Burger Joint	Wine Bar	Miscellaneous Shop	Japanese Restaurant
3	Christie	Grocery Store	Café	Park	Italian Restaurant	Athletics & Sports	Candy Store	Restaurant	Baby Store	Nightclub	Coffee Shop
4	Church and Wellesley	Coffee Shop	Japanese Restaurant	Sushi Restaurant	Restaurant	Gay Bar	Mediterranean Restaurant	Men's Store	Burger Joint	Hotel	Pub

Ottawa dataset:

1. Loading the Ottawa dataset

```
# Loading otawa geospatial data
df_ottawa = pd.read_csv('ottawa_geospatial.csv')
#renaming neighborhood column
df_ottawa.rename(columns={'Neighbourhood': 'Neighborhood'}, inplace=True)
df_ottawa.head(3)
```

	Postal Code	City	Neighborhood	Latitude	Longitude
0	K2A	Ottawa	Highland Park, McKellar Park, Westboro, Glabar	45.195828	-75.823060
1	K4A	Ottawa	Fallingbrook	45.449549	-75.476860
2	K1B	Ottawa	Blackburn Hamlet, Pine View, Sheffield Glen	45.416035	-75.621899

2. Dimensionality, descriptive statistics and data types.

df_ottawa.shape
(40, 5)

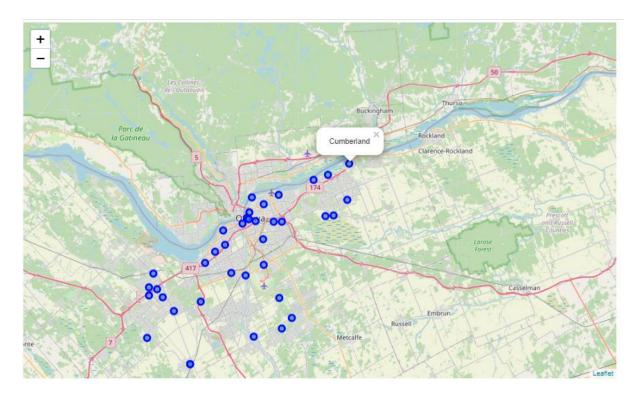
df_ottawa.describe()

	Latitude	Longitude
count	40.000000	40.000000
mean	45.334415	-75.750297
std	0.193601	0.244767
min	44.249605	-76.955967
25%	45.298361	-75.823060
50%	45.360518	-75.696435
75%	45.422508	-75.627695
max	45.505467	-75.472889

df_ottawa.dtypes

Postal Code object
City object
Neighborhood object
Latitude float64
Longitude float64
dtype: object

3. Validating the geospatial data.



4. Exploring the first neighbourhood and the top 100 venues in a radius of 500m, with resulting dataframe.

```
ott_venues = results2['response']['groups'][0]['items']
ott_nearby_venues = json_normalize(ott_venues) # flatten JSON
# filter columns
ott_filtered_columns = ['venue.name', 'venue.categories', 'venue.location.lat', 've
ott_nearby_venues =ott_nearby_venues.loc[:, ott_filtered_columns]
# filter the category for each row
ott_nearby_venues['venue.categories'] = ott_nearby_venues.apply(get_category_type,
# clean columns
ott_nearby_venues.columns = [col.split(".")[-1] for col in ott_nearby_venues.column
ott_nearby_venues.head()
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               Sheraton Ottawa Hotel
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4 Northern Lights Sound and Light Show
                                                    Plaza 45.423856 -75.698520
```

5. Exploring all neighbourhoods in Downtown Toronto, grouping venues by neighbourhood

	Neighborhood Latitude	Neighborhood Longitude	Venue	Venue Latitude	Venue Longitude	Venue Category
Neighborhood						
Alta Vista, Billings Bridge	2	2	2	2	2	2
Barrhaven	29	29	29	29	29	29
Beacon Hill, Cyrville, Carson Grove	1	1	1	1	1	
Beaverbrook, South March	15	15	15	15	15	1
Bells Corners, Arlington Woods, Redwood, Qualicum, Crystal Beach	4	4	4	4	4	
Blackburn Hamlet, Pine View, Sheffield Glen	2	2	2	2	2	
Blossom Park, Greenboro, Leitrim, Findlay Creek	1	1	1	1	1	
Bridlewood	3	3	3	3	3	
Britannia, Whitehaven, Bayshore, Pinecrest	9	9	9	9	9	
Centrepointe, Meadowlands, City View, Craig Henry, Tangelwood, Grenfell Glen, Davidson Heights	7	7	7	7	7	
Centretown	78	78	78	78	78	7
Civic Hospital, Island Park, Hintonburg, Mechanicsville, Champlain Park	3	3	3	3	3	
Dalhousie Ward	33	33	33	33	33	3
Downtown	96	96	96	96	96	9
Fallingbrook	6	6	6	6	6	
Fisher Heights, Parkwood Hills, Borden Farm, Pine Glen	3	3	3	3	3	
ron Gate, Heron Park, Riverside Park, Hunt Club, Riverside South, YOW	2	2	2	2	2	
Katimavik-Hazeldean, Glen Cairn	5	5	5	5	5	
Lower Town, Byward Market, Sandy Hill, University of Ottawa	100	100	100	100	100	10
Marchwood	6	6	6	6	6	
Navan	2	2	2	2	2	
North March	25	25	25	25	25	2
Orleans	1	1	1	1	1	

6. Analysing each neighbourhood, with the top 10 most common venues in each neighbourhood detailed.

```
num_top_venues = 10
indicators = ['st', 'nd', 'rd']

# create columns according to number of top venues
columns = ['Neighborhood']
for ind in np.arange(num_top_venues):
    try:
        columns.append('{}{} Most Common Venue'.format(ind+1, indicators[ind]))
        except:
        columns.append('{}th Most Common Venue'.format(ind+1))

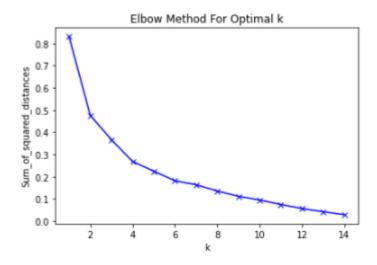
# create a new dataframe
ottawa_neighborhoods_venues_sorted = pd.DataFrame(columns=columns)
ottawa_neighborhoods_venues_sorted['Neighborhood'] = ottawa_grouped['Neighborhood']

for ind in np.arange(ottawa_grouped.shape[0]):
        ottawa_neighborhoods_venues_sorted.iloc[ind, 1:] = return_most_common_venues(ottawa_grouped.iloc[ind, :], num_top_venues)
ottawa_neighborhoods_venues_sorted.head()
```

	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
0	Alta Vista, Billings Bridge	Furniture / Home Store	Grocery Store	Garden Center	Frozen Yogurt Shop	Fried Chicken Joint	French Restaurant	Food Truck	Food & Drink Shop	Fast Food Restaurant	Farmers Market
1	Barrhaven	Coffee Shop	Chinese Restaurant	Restaurant	Bank	Grocery Store	Shopping Mall	Café	Sandwich Place	Fast Food Restaurant	Luggage Store
2	Beacon Hill, Cyrville, Carson Grove	Theme Park	Yoga Studio	Garden Center	Frozen Yogurt Shop	Fried Chicken Joint	French Restaurant	Food Truck	Food & Drink Shop	Fast Food Restaurant	Farmers Market
3	Beaverbrook, South March	Gym / Fitness Center	Indian Restaurant	Bank	Dance Studio	Coffee Shop	Sandwich Place	Café	Mexican Restaurant	Breakfast Spot	Sushi Restaurant
4	Bells Corners, Arlington Woods, Redwood, Quali	Pharmacy	History Museum	Train Station	Grocery Store	Yoga Studio	Dive Bar	French Restaurant	Food Truck	Food & Drink Shop	Fast Food Restaurant

Question 1 – machine learning results.

Toronto dataset – k means clustering.





Individual cluster analysis:

Examining the clusters in Downtown Toronto

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0	Downtown Toronto	0	Coffee Shop	Sushi Restaurant	Yoga Studio	Diner	Smoothie Shop	Italian Restaurant	Beer Bar	Music Venue	Sandwich Place	Distribution Center
11	Downtown Toronto	0	Coffee Shop	Sandwich Place	Italian Restaurant	Café	Salad Place	Bubble Tea Shop	Burger Joint	Wine Bar	Miscellaneous Shop	Japanese Restaurant
15	Downtown	0	Coffee	Bakery	Park	Breakfast Snot	Theater	Café	Pub	Farmers Market	Event Space	Shoe Store

	Borough	Cluster Labels	1st Most Common Venue	2nd Most Common Venue	3rd Most Common Venue	4th Most Common Venue	5th Most Common Venue	n Comn		n Common	9th Mo Commo Venu	on Common
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3	Downtown Toronto	1	Coffee Shop	Seafood Restaurant	Restaurant	Japanese Restaurant	Italiar Restaurani	· Cocktail	Bar Hote	el Beer Bar	Ca	fé Cheese Shop
7	Downtown Toronto	1	Coffee Shop	Restaurant	Café	Hotel	Gym	ı İta Restaul	ilian America rant Restauran		Japane: Restaura	
8	Downtown Toronto	1	Coffee Shop	Hotel	Café	Seafood Restaurant	Americar Restauran	Salad P	lace Italia Restauran	Rectaurant	Japane: Restaura	Gastropub
9	Downtown Toronto	1	Coffee Shop	Aquarium	Hotel	Café	Brewery	/ Sco Look	enic Frie cout Chicke Join	n Restaurant	Sportir Goods Sho	
10	Downtown Toronto	1	Coffee Shop	Café	Restaurant	Deli / Bodega	Clothing Store		Thai Baker rant	y Gym	Salad Plac	ce Bookstore
12	Downtown Toronto	1	Coffee Shop	Cocktail Bar	Cheese Shop	Farmers Market	Seafood Restauran	Ral	kery Beer Ba	r Restaurant	Easte Europea Restaura	an Hotel
13	Downtown Toronto	1	Coffee Shop	Café	Gastropub	Cocktail Bar	Americar Restauran		nent Morocca tore Restauran		Cosmeti Sho	
14	Downtown Toronto	1	Clothing Store	Coffee Shop	Bubble Tea Shop	Middle Eastern Restaurant	Café	Japan Restau			Rame Restaura	
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Ferry

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Sculpture Garden

Venue

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9th Most

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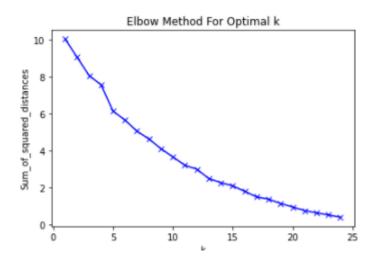
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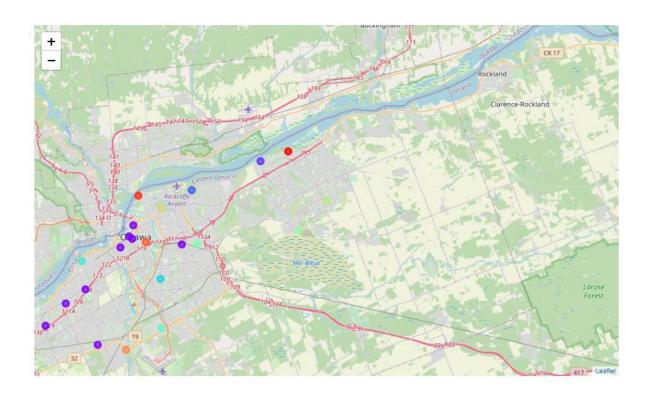
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$Ottawa\ dataset-k\ means\ clustering$





Individual cluster analysis

Examining the Ottawa clusters

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10	Ottawa	1.0	Clothing Store	Sporting Goods Shop	Gym / Fitness Center	Shoe Store	Gas Station	Pet Store	Bridal Shop	Food & Drink Shop	Liquor Store	Big Box Store
11	Ottawa	1,0	Hardware Store	Food Truck	Park	Auto Garage	Clothing Store	Furniture / Home Store	Liquor Store	Electronics Store	Fried Chicken Joint	French Restaurant
13	Ottawa	1.0	Pharmacy	History Museum	Train Station	Grocery Store	Yoga Studio	Dive Bar	French Restaurant	Food Truck	Food & Drink Shop	Fast Food Restaurant
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17	Ottawa	1.0	Gym / Fitness Center	Indian Restaurant	Bank	Dance Studio	Coffee Shop	Sandwich Place	Café	Mexican Restaurant	Breakfast Spot	Sushi Restaurant
19	Ottawa	1.0	Pool	Dance Studio	Supermarket	Chinese Restaurant	Optical Shop	Deli / Bodega	Department Store	Dessert Shop	Diner	Dive Bar
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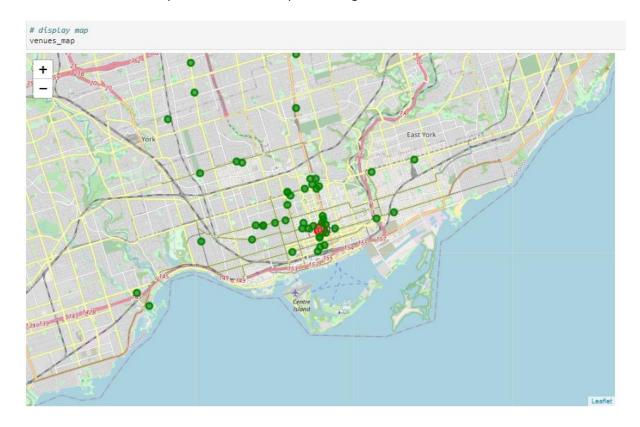
Question 2 – results

Objective: A restaurant owner is looking to open a new Italian restaurant in Toronto, the objective is to recommend the best area in which a new restaurant could be located. In this section I will detail the results of my analysis – for the code please see my jupyter notebook.

- 1. To prevent duplication the data used for this question is the same underlying Toronto dataset discussed in question 1. Therefore, from a results point of view this was already covered please see question 1 results for the Toronto dataset above points 1,2, and 3.
- 2. Search query for Italian restaurants and resulting dataframe.

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3. Visualisation – spatial location of all pre-existing Italian restaurants in Toronto.



d. <u>Discussion</u>

Discussion section where you discuss any observations you noted and any recommendations you can make based on the results.

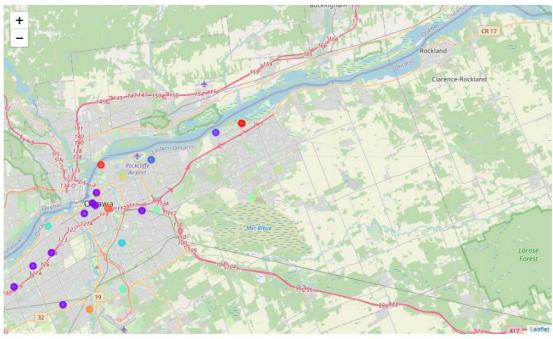
Question 1 – discussion:

Objective: to compare the neighbourhoods of Downtown Toronto and Ottawa and determine how similar or dissimilar they are.

Downtown Toronto:



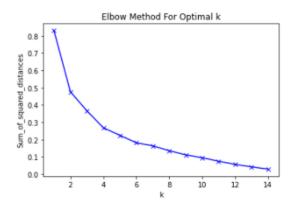
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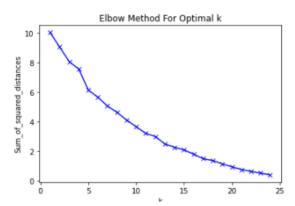
Observations:

- The concentration of clusters is drastically different between the two locations chosen. This is
 a result of the Toronto dataset being isolated to an individual borough "Downtown Toronto".
 In ideal world it would be appropriate to compare the two locations at a city level however
 the comparison performed is due to limitations in the dataset.
- 2. The value for of k in the k-means algorithm is also very different between the two locations. Showing that the locations are quite dissimilar Toronto k = 6, Ottawa k = 17.

Downtown Toronto K



Ottawa K



3. Toronto dataset:

- a. The dominant cluster is 2. The most common venue in this cluster is a coffee shop which makes sense in a metropolis.
- b. The performance of the k-means clustering model has separated cluster 1 and cluster
 2. However, on closer analysis of the data the most common venue in both clusters is a coffee shop, so they should in fact be a single cluster.
- c. The remaining clusters have performed well, separating out venues such as parks, airport, grocery stores and cafes.

4. Ottawa dataset:

- a. The dominant cluster is again 2 in this dataset. However, the performance of the model is poor in comparison to the Toronto dataset. Cluster 2 contains a mixture of venue categories ranging from coffee shops, gyms, pools and restaurants.
- b. The remaining clusters have performed substantially better, successfully categorising arenas, bus stations, construction & landscaping, and theme parks.

Recommendations:

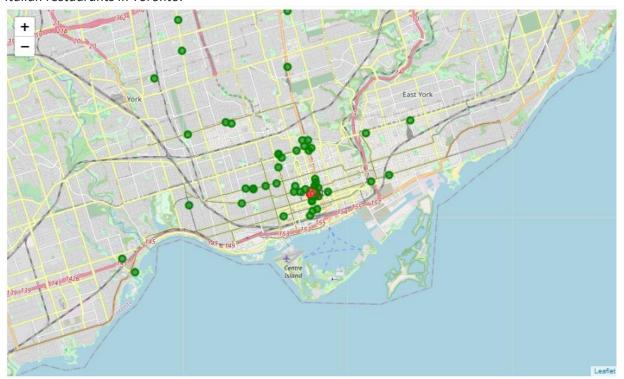
- 1. The high value of k in the Ottawa dataset promotes overfitting so the k-means method of clustering is not the greatest for predictive analysis of this dataset. However, the low value and clear elbow of k in the Toronto dataset does demonstrate a relatively robust model.
- 2. The above comment is justified by the success of the k-means algorithm in the Toronto dataset and its categorization of coffee shops.
- 3. I recommend using k-means algorithm when analysing the Toronto dataset, and a different clustering algorithm on the Ottawa dataset.

Question 2 discussion:

Objective: A restaurant owner is looking to open a new Italian restaurant in Toronto, the objective is to recommend the best area in which a new restaurant could be located.

The spatial distribution is highly important from a competition point of view as an area highly saturated in Italian cuisine will prove detrimental to their business. Therefore, the owner will be looking for an area that has none/few Italian restaurants at present.

Italian restaurants in Toronto:



Observations:

- 1. The distribution of Italian restaurants in Toronto is concentrated in the city centre, with venues reducing in frequency away from the centre of the city
- 2. The specific locations of Italian restaurants in Toronto does seem to be isolated to a few specific streets demonstrated by the linear patterns.
- 3. The sporadic distribution of Italian restaurants on the outskirts of the city does indicate that other owners have taken a risk of building away from the city centre

Recommendations:

- 1. The location in which there is the most Italian restaurant competition is clearly the city centre. As the restaurant owner wants to minimise his competition building the new restaurant in this location would not be recommended.
- 2. Building on the outskirts of the city is a more risky endeavour are you could become isolated, and have minimal traffic into the restaurant.
- 3. I recommended choosing a location outside of the city centre and perform some additional analysis such as:

- a. Population movement are there areas of high intensity on the outskirts of the city? Where are the choke points?
- b. Local population concentration if the owner wants to only attract local customers.
- 4. Combing the additional recommended analysis will give the owner a more complete picture of the optimum location to build his restaurant.

e. Conclusion

Question 1 conclusion:

The neighbourhoods of Downtown Toronto and Ottawa a very dissimilar shown by the k-means algorithm detailed in this report.

Question 2 conclusion:

The best location for the owner of the Italian restaurant with his given criteria of little competition is on the outskirts of the city centre.

Please note the recommendations in the discussion section of this report for both questions.