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## Opening a New Shopping Mall in New Delhi, India

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## **Business Problem**

- Location of the shopping mall is one of the most important decisions that will determine whether the mall will be a success or a failure
- Objective: To analyze and select the best locations in the city of New Delhi,
  India to open a new shopping mall
- This project is timely as the city is currently suffering from oversupply of shopping malls
- Business question
  - ➤ In the city of New Delhi, India, if a property developer is looking to open a new shopping mall, where would you recommend that they open it?

## Data

#### Data required

- ➤ List of neighborhoods in New Delhi
- ➤ Latitude and longitude coordinates of the neighborhoods
- ➤ Venue data, particularly data related to shopping malls

#### Sources of data

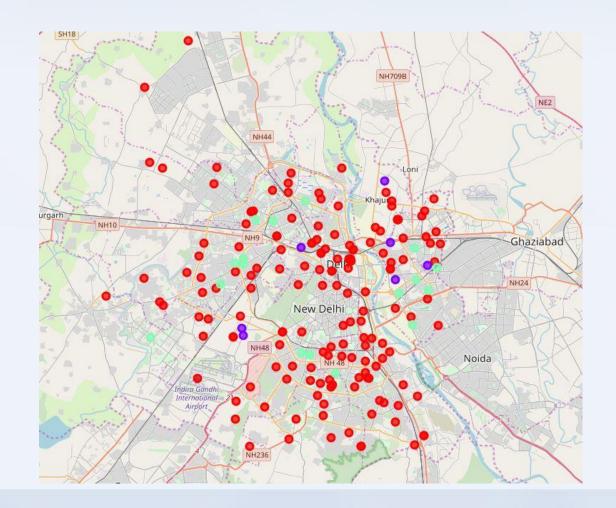
- ➤ Wikipedia page for neighborhoods (<a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Neighbourhoods">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Neighbourhoods</a> of Delhi)
- ➤ Geocoder package for latitude and longitude coordinates
- ➤ Foursquare API for venue data

## Methodology

- Web scraping Wikipedia page for neighborhoods list
- Get latitude and longitude coordinates using Geocoder
- Use Foursquare API to get venue data
- Group data by neighborhood and taking the mean of the frequency of occurrence of each venue category
- Filter venue category by Shopping Mall
- Perform clustering on the data by using k-means clustering
- Visualize the clusters in a map using Folium

## Results

- Categorized the neighborhoods into 3 clusters :
  - Cluster 0: Neighborhoods with moderate number of shopping malls
  - Cluster 1: Neighborhoods with low number to no existence of shopping malls
  - ➤ Cluster 2: Neighborhoods with high concentration of shopping malls



## Discussion

- Most of the shopping malls are concentrated in the central area of the city
- Highest number in cluster 2 and moderate number in cluster 0
- Cluster 1 has very low number to no shopping mall in the neighborhoods
- Oversupply of shopping malls mostly happened in the central area of the city, with the suburb area still have very few shopping malls

## Recommendations

- Open new shopping malls in neighborhoods in cluster 1 with little to no competition
- Can also open in neighborhoods in cluster 0 with moderate competition if have unique selling propositions to stand out from the competition
- Avoid neighborhoods in cluster 2, already high concentration of shopping malls and intense competition

## Conclusion

- Answer to business question: The neighborhoods in cluster 1 are the most preferred locations to open a new shopping mall
- Findings of this project will help the relevant stakeholders to capitalize on the opportunities on high potential locations while avoiding overcrowded areas in their decisions to open a new shopping mall

# Thank you!

