

NEIGHBORHOOD EXPLORATION (KOBE CITY)


INTRODUCTION

In this assignment I would like to use this opportunity to introduce Kobe city in Japan and its surrounding by adopting knowledge that I gain through this data science certification course. I am a foreign resident here who has been living here in Japan for more than 15 years. Kobe City, while it is not the most famous city in Japan, but it has many attractions. I have many relative and friend who are making plan to visit Japan but not quite where to visit if they want to explore Kobe City. I hope this exploration of mine hopefully will help them to gain interest in visiting Kobe City in the future.

First, geocoder will be used to convert the city name into their equivalent latitude and longitude values. Then, using the Foursquare API, I will bring you to explore neighborhoods in Kobe City. I will use the `**explore**` function to get the most common venue categories in each neighborhood, and then use this feature to group the neighborhoods into clusters. I will use the `_k_-means` clustering algorithm to complete this task. Finally, I will use the Folium library to visualize the neighborhoods in Kobe City and their emerging clusters.



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••DOWNLOAD AND EXPLORE DATASET

- Before we get the data and start exploring it, all libraries required for processing the data is downloaded. These libraries need to be used for the exploration. Libraries used are as follow:

```
: import numpy as np # library to handle data in a vectorized manner

import pandas as pd # library for data analysis
pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None)
pd.set_option('display.max_rows', None)

import json # library to handle JSON files

!conda install -c conda-forge geopy --yes # uncomment this line if you haven't completed
from geopy.geocoders import Nominatim # convert an address into latitude and longitude

import requests # library to handle requests
from pandas.io.json import json_normalize # tranform JSON file into a pandas dataframe

# Matplotlib and associated plotting modules
import matplotlib.cm as cm
import matplotlib.colors as colors

# import k-means from clustering stage
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans

!conda install -c conda-forge folium=0.5.0 --yes # uncomment this line if you haven't c
import folium # map rendering library

print('Libraries imported.')
```

Next, we will start to download the data set. While I was struggling to find a list of location data in Japan, I came across a list that is available to be downloaded from Japan Post homepage. Data of location with zip code list is provided in csv format. The data came with zip code (post code), Prefecture or normally called state in other country, city, ward and town. It is a list for all location but I am only interested to explore Kobe City which located in Hyogo Prefecture.

Since I am using notebook which been provided by IBM studio, the data is uploaded as one of an asset to the project created specifically for this assignment.

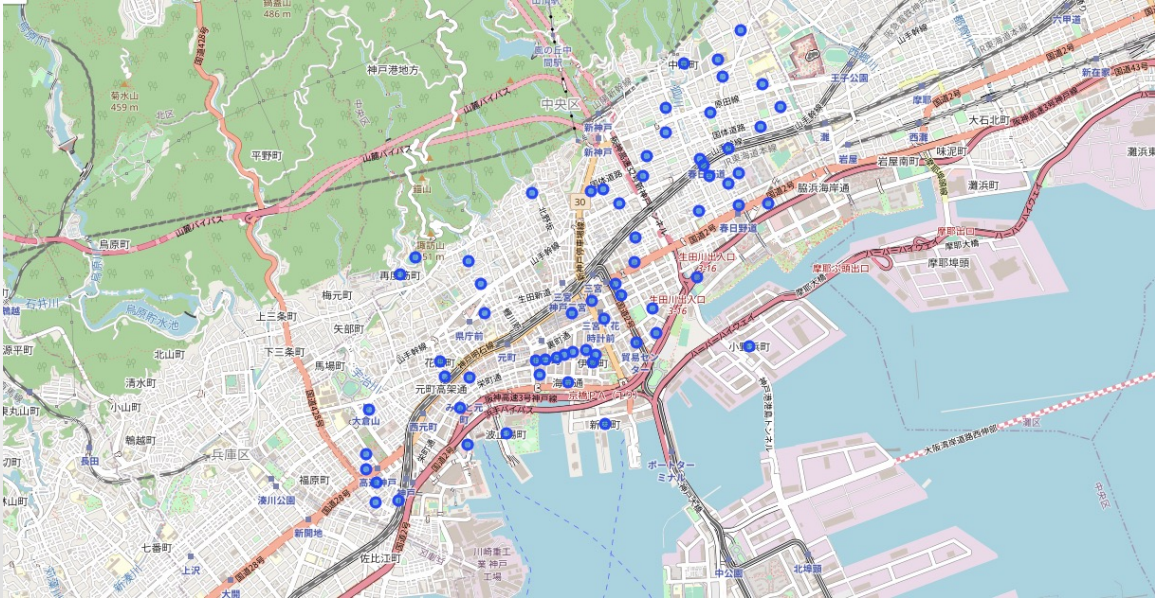
Top 5 data are as shown below:

	PostCode	Prefecture	City	Town
0	600000	HOKKAIDO	SAPPORO SHI CHUO KU	IKANIKEISAIGANAIBAAI
1	640941	HOKKAIDO	SAPPORO SHI CHUO KU	ASAHIGAOKA
2	600041	HOKKAIDO	SAPPORO SHI CHUO KU	ODORIHIGASHI
3	600042	HOKKAIDO	SAPPORO SHI CHUO KU	ODORINISHI(1-19-CHOME)
4	640820	HOKKAIDO	SAPPORO SHI CHUO KU	ODORINISHI(20-28-CHOME)

As shown above, there is no latitude and longitude data provided which are a crucial information of this exploration. Here, I will use geopy library to retrieve the required latitude and longitude data by using the prefecture, city and town information. First prefecture, city and town will be combined and referred as address. Then using geopy library, latitude and longitude information will be retrieved via the address information.

Then, using these data map of Kobe city with neighborhoods superimposed on top is created:

	PostCode	Prefecture	City	Town	Address	Latitude	Longitude
89094	6500025	HYOGO KEN	KOBE SHI CHUO KU	AIOICHO	HYOGO KEN, KOBE SHI CHUO KU, AIOICHO	34.677720	135.177548
89095	6500037	HYOGO KEN	KOBE SHI CHUO KU	AKASHIMACHI	HYOGO KEN, KOBE SHI CHUO KU, AKASHIMACHI	34.688200	135.190912
89096	6510095	HYOGO KEN	KOBE SHI CHUO KU	ASAHIDORI	HYOGO KEN, KOBE SHI CHUO KU, ASAHIDORI	34.697306	135.199023
89097	6510076	HYOGO KEN	KOBE SHI CHUO KU	AZUMADORI	HYOGO KEN, KOBE SHI CHUO KU, AZUMADORI	34.699679	135.208416
89098	6510092	HYOGO KEN	KOBE SHI CHUO KU	IKUTACHO	HYOGO KEN, KOBE SHI CHUO KU, IKUTACHO	34.700937	135.196116



EXPLORING NEIGHBORHOODS OF KOBE CITY

```
def getNearbyVenues(names, latitudes, longitudes, radius=500):

    venues_list=[]
    for name, lat, lng in zip(names, latitudes, longitudes):
        print(name)

        # create the API request URL
        url = 'https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?&client_id={}&client_secret={}&v={}&ll={}&radius={}&limit={}'.format(
            CLIENT_ID,
            CLIENT_SECRET,
            VERSION,
            lat,
            lng,
            radius,
            LIMIT)

        # make the GET request
        results = requests.get(url).json()[["response"]][0]["groups"][0]["items"]

        # return only relevant information for each nearby venue
        venues_list.append([
            name,
            lat,
            lng,
            v['venue']['name'],
            v['venue']['location']['lat'],
            v['venue']['location']['lng'],
            v['venue']['categories'][0]['name'] for v in results])

    nearby_venues = pd.DataFrame([item for venue_list in venues_list for item in venue_list])
    nearby_venues.columns = ['Neighborhood',
                            'Neighborhood Latitude',
                            'Neighborhood Longitude',
                            'Venue',
                            'Venue Latitude',
                            'Venue Longitude',
                            'Venue Category']
```

Function is then run and result is as per below:

	Neighborhood	Neighborhood Latitude	Neighborhood Longitude	Venue	Venue Latitude	Venue Longitude	Venue Category
0	AIOICHO	34.67772	135.177548	神戸ハーバーランド温泉 万葉倶楽部	34.679449	135.180736	Hot Spring
1	AIOICHO	34.67772	135.177548	Kôbe Station (神戸駅)	34.679137	135.178284	Train Station
2	AIOICHO	34.67772	135.177548	OS Cinemas (OSシネマ ズ 神戸ハーバーランド)	34.679604	135.182504	Multiplex
3	AIOICHO	34.67772	135.177548	Starbucks	34.680117	135.178634	Coffee Shop
4	AIOICHO	34.67772	135.177548	中畑商店	34.674219	135.179923	BBQ Joint

ANALYZED EACH NEIGHBORHOODS

Let's print each neighborhood along with the top 5 most common venues

```
: num_top_venues = 5

for hood in kobe_grouped['Neighborhood']:
    print("----"+hood+"----")
    temp = kobe_grouped[kobe_grouped['Neighborhood'] == hood].T.reset_index()
    temp.columns = ['venue', 'freq']
    temp = temp.iloc[1:]
    temp['freq'] = temp['freq'].astype(float)
    temp = temp.round({'freq': 2})
    print(temp.sort_values('freq', ascending=False).reset_index(drop=True).head(num_top_venues))
    print('\n')
```

----AIOICHO----

	venue	freq
0	Convenience Store	0.22
1	Café	0.07
2	Shopping Mall	0.07
3	Coffee Shop	0.04
4	Ramen Restaurant	0.04

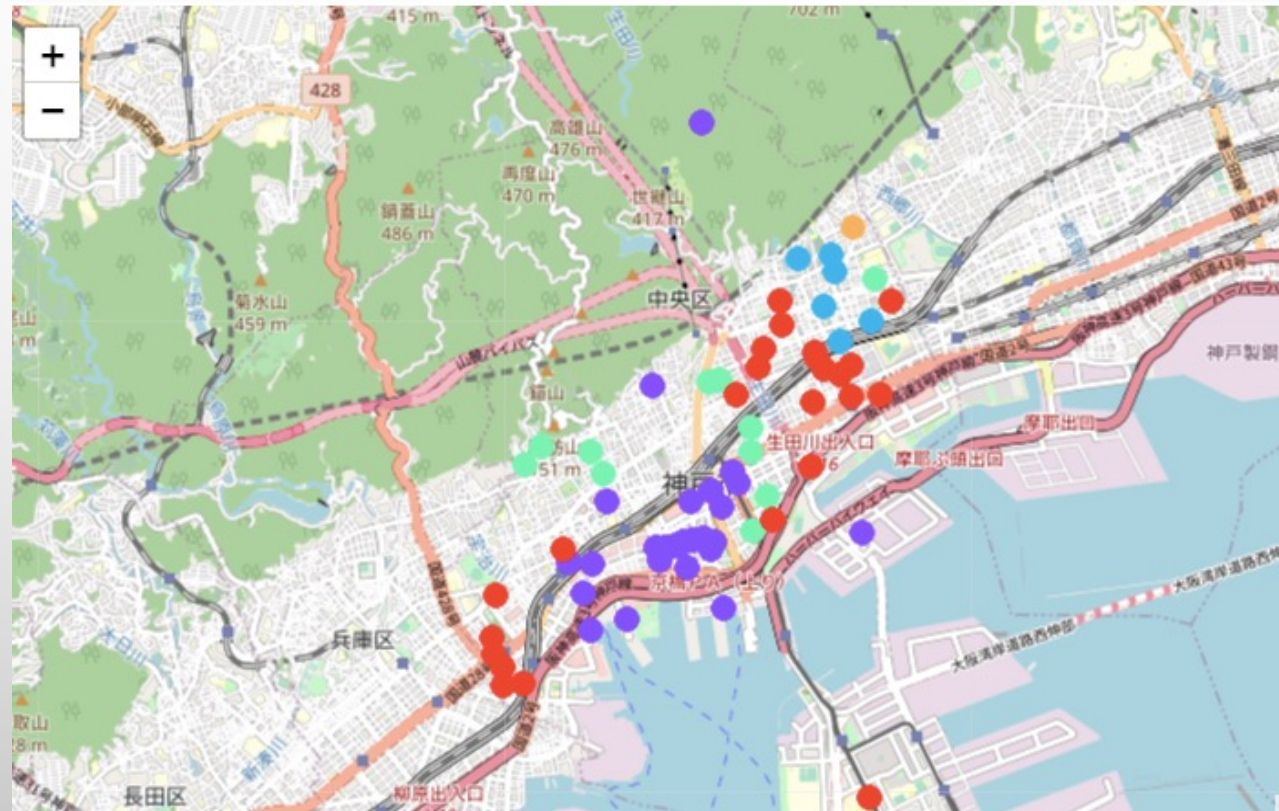
----AKASHIMACHI----

	venue	freq
0	Café	0.16
1	Chinese Restaurant	0.06
2	Dumpling Restaurant	0.05
3	Donburi Restaurant	0.04
4	Bakery	0.04

	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
0	AIOICHO	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall	Café	Ramen Restaurant	Coffee Shop	Clothing Store	Seafood Restaurant	Bakery	Supermarket
1	AKASHIMACHI	Café	Chinese Restaurant	Dumpling Restaurant	Yoshoku Restaurant	Donburi Restaurant	Clothing Store	Bakery	Burger Joint	Steakhouse
2	ASAHIDORI	Convenience Store	Coffee Shop	Rock Club	Hotel	Donburi Restaurant	Chinese Restaurant	Café	Japanese Restaurant	Japanese Restaurant
3	AZUMADORI	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall	Sushi Restaurant	Train Station	Chinese Restaurant	Grocery Store	History Museum	Donburi Restaurant	Museum
4	BENTENCHO	Hotel	Dessert Shop	Italian Restaurant	Japanese Restaurant	Café	Shopping Mall	Steakhouse	Coffee Shop	Monument

CLUSTERING NEIGHBORHOODS

Here unsupervised machine learning K-mean method is used to automatically categorized each of the nearby venue retrieve in the neighborhoods. Then cluster map is created to visualize the cluster location.



EXAMINE CLUSTER

Cluster 1

```
kobe_merged.loc[kobe_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 0, kobe_merged.columns[[1] + list(range
```

49	34.677720	135.176873	Convenience Store	0	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall	Café	Ramen Restaurant	
50	34.677720	135.182502	Food Court	0	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall	Café	Ramen Restaurant	
51	34.677720	135.175740	Udon Restaurant	0	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall	Café	Ramen Restaurant	
52	34.677720	135.178603	Convenience Store	0	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall	Café	Ramen Restaurant	
53	34.677720	135.182796	Convenience Store	0	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall			
54	34.677720	135.178256	Grocery Store	0	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall			
55	34.677720	135.179871	Convenience Store	0	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall			
56	34.677720	135.175503	Convenience Store	0	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall			
57	34.677720	135.178389	Donut Shop	0	Convenience Store	Shopping Mall			

Cluster 3

```
kobe_merged.loc[kobe_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 2, kobe_merged.columns[[1] + list(range
```

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2]:
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	Neighborhood Latitude	Venue Longitude	Venue Category	Cluster Labels	1st Most Common Venue	2nd Most Common Venue	3rd Most Common Venue	4th Most Common Venue	5th Most Common Venue
857	34.710543	135.206369	Convenience Store	2	Convenience Store	Bakery	Bus Stop	Chinese Restaurant	Grocery Store
858	34.710543	135.202391	Convenience Store	2	Convenience Store	Bakery	Bus Stop	Chinese Restaurant	Grocery Store
859	34.710543	135.208535	Soba Restaurant	2	Convenience Store	Bakery	Bus Stop	Chinese Restaurant	Grocery Store
860	34.710543	135.206052	Bakery	2	Convenience Store	Bakery	Bus Stop	Chinese Restaurant	Grocery Store

Cluster 2

```
kobe_merged.loc[kobe_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 1, kobe_merged.columns[[1] + list(range
```

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1]:
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	Neighborhood Latitude	Venue Longitude	Venue Category	Cluster Labels	1st Most Common Venue	2nd Most Common Venue	3rd Most Common Venue	4th Most Common Venue	5th Most Common Venue
92	34.688200	135.192963	Hotel	1	Café	Chinese Restaurant	Dumpling Restaurant	Yoshoku Restaurant	Donut Shop
93	34.688200	135.192991	Italian Restaurant	1	Café	Chinese Restaurant	Dumpling Restaurant	Yoshoku Restaurant	Donut Shop
94	34.688200	135.189119	Chinese Restaurant	1	Café	Chinese Restaurant	Dumpling Restaurant	Yoshoku Restaurant	Donut Shop
95	34.688200	135.191020	Café	1	Café	Chinese Restaurant	Dumpling Restaurant	Yoshoku Restaurant	Donut Shop
96	34.688200	135.192220	Movie Theater	1	Café	Chinese Restaurant	Dumpling Restaurant	Yoshoku Restaurant	Donut Shop
97	34.688200	135.190484	Bakery	1	Café	Chinese Restaurant	Dumpling Restaurant	Yoshoku Restaurant	Donut Shop
98	34.688200	135.190166	Cafe	1	Café	Chinese Restaurant	Dumpling Restaurant	Yoshoku Restaurant	Donut Shop

Cluster 4

```
kobe_merged.loc[kobe_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 3, kobe_merged.columns[[1] + list(range
```

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2]:
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	Neighborhood Latitude	Venue Longitude	Venue Category	Cluster Labels	1st Most Common Venue	2nd Most Common Venue	3rd Most Common Venue	4th Most Common Venue	5th Most Common Venue
192	34.697306	135.197714	Rock Club	3	Convenience Store	Coffee Shop	Rock Club	Hotel	Donut Shop
193	34.697306	135.197296	Seafood Restaurant	3	Convenience Store	Coffee Shop	Rock Club	Hotel	Donut Shop
194	34.697306	135.197496	Donburi Restaurant	3	Convenience Store	Coffee Shop	Rock Club	Hotel	Donut Shop
195	34.697306	135.195769	Donburi Restaurant	3	Convenience Store	Coffee Shop	Rock Club	Hotel	Donut Shop
196	34.697306	135.198786	Udon Restaurant	3	Convenience Store	Coffee Shop	Rock Club	Hotel	Donut Shop

Cluster 5

```
kobe_merged.loc[kobe_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 4, kobe_merged.columns[[1] + list(range
```

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1]:
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	Neighborhood Latitude	Venue Longitude	Venue Category	Cluster Labels	1st Most Common Venue	2nd Most Common Venue	3rd Most Common Venue	4th Most Common Venue	5th Most Common Venue	6th Most Common Venue
2085	34.71275	135.212060	Gym	4	Trail	Mountain	Bus Stop	Gym	Electronics Store	Fountain
2086	34.71275	135.208713	Bus Stop	4	Trail	Mountain	Bus Stop	Gym	Electronics Store	Fountain
2087	34.71275	135.208124	Mountain	4	Trail	Mountain	Bus Stop	Gym	Electronics Store	Fountain
2088	34.71275	135.209148	Trail	4	Trail	Mountain	Bus Stop	Gym	Electronics Store	Fountain

CONCLUSION

- AS A CONCLUSION FROM THIS CLUSTERING, WE CAN SEE HERE LOCATION AS BEEN CLASSIFIED AS CLUSTER IS MAINLY A LOCATION FOR SHOPPING ACTIVITY. IF WE ARE INTERESTED TO SHOP FOR CLOTHES OR ETC. THEN THIS IS THE LOCATION WE SHOULD BE LOOKING FORWARD TO.
- NEXT, FOR CLUSTER 2, THIS IS A LOCATION OF FOOD AND BEVERAGE. IF WE ARE HUNTING FOR FOODS THEN THIS SHOULD BE THE PLACE WE LOOK TO.
- FOR CLUSTER 3, THIS IS ALSO A PLACE FULL OF FOODS AND BEVERAGE BUT AT THE SAME TIME, THERE ARE MANY GROCERIES STORE NEARBY AND IT IS ALSO CLOSE TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION. THIS IS PROBABLY A PLACE TO GO TO SHOP FOR GROCERIES.
- FOR CLUSTER 4, THIS IS THE LOCATION OF ENTERTAINMENT AND LEISURE. THERE ARE MANY CLUBS AND HOTEL NEARBY.
- LASTLY, FOR CLUSTER 5, THIS IS THE PLACE FOR SOMEONE WHO LIKES ADVENTUROUS ACTIVITY.