

Where to open a new pharmacy on Gustavo A. Madero, Mexico City

1. Introduction

Location of a new business is crucial to its success. A new Pharmacy needs a constant stream of clients and a constant flow of supplies. The present project aims to recommend locations for a new pharmacy within the county of Gustavo A. Madero in Mexico City. Pharmacy owners looking forward to open a new sucursal will find useful the results of the analysis.

2.- Data section

2.1- Data sources

The map of the county of Gustavo A. Madero and each of its boroughs can be found on the open data page of the Mexico City Government. <https://datos.cdmx.gob.mx/explore/dataset/coloniascdmx/export/> FourSquare API is used to get the location of general venues and pharmacies within 500 meters of the center of each borough.

Data about the population, access to healthcare services and sanity level of each borough was found on census reports of Mexico City.

http://www.sideso.cdmx.gob.mx/documentos/2010/indice_desarrollo_social/Indice_Desarrollo_Social_UT.xls

2.2 Data processing

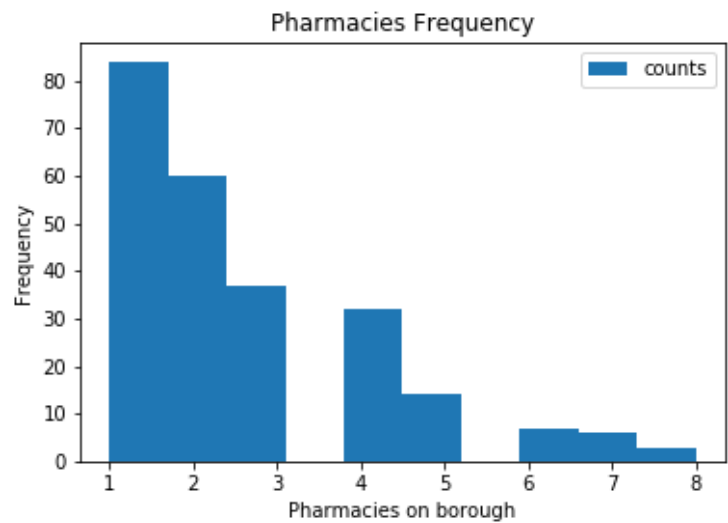
The center of each borough was obtained from the map of the county. FourSquare data was transformed into a dataframe counting the amount of venues per type for each borough. Socioeconomic data was merged into the previous dataframe using the name of the boroughs. Since some boroughs had a slightly different name on each data set text cleaning was applied to normalize the names.

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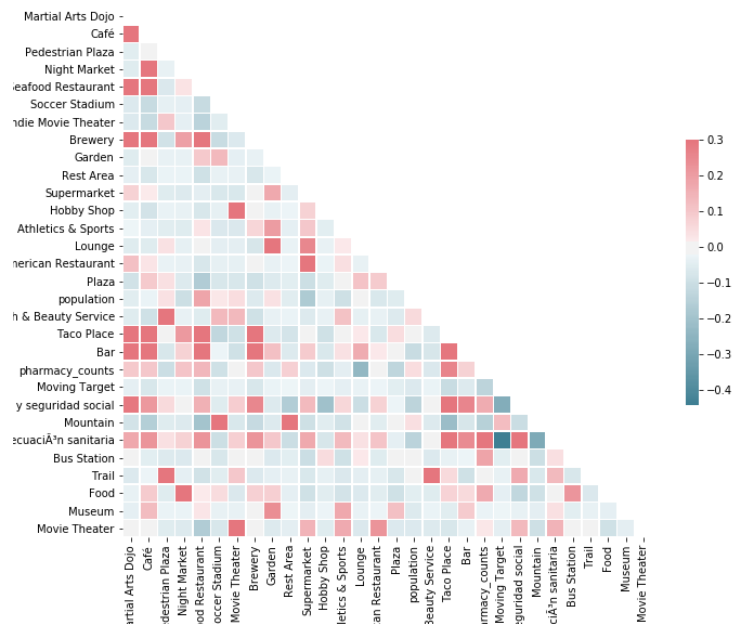
3.- Methodology

3.1 Exploratory analysis

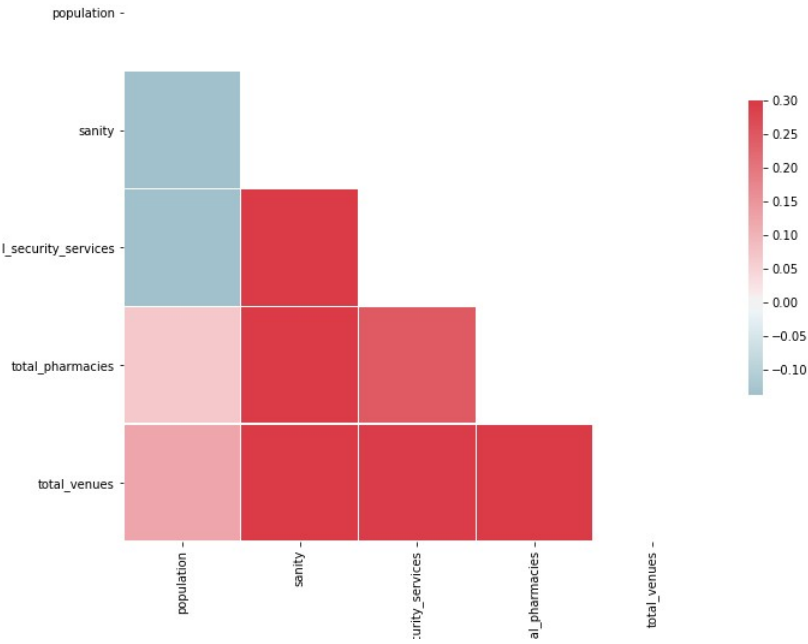
The frequency of pharmacy counts per borough is shown next



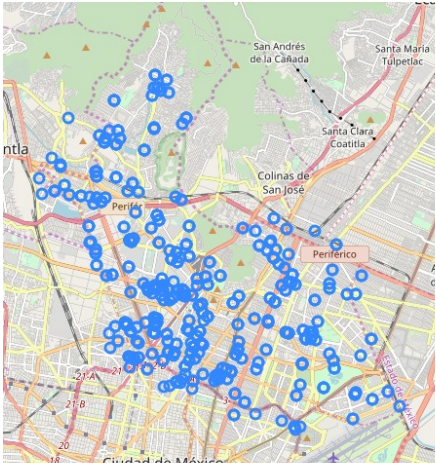
Correlation between the amount of each venue per borough and the amount of pharmacies per borough was calculated.



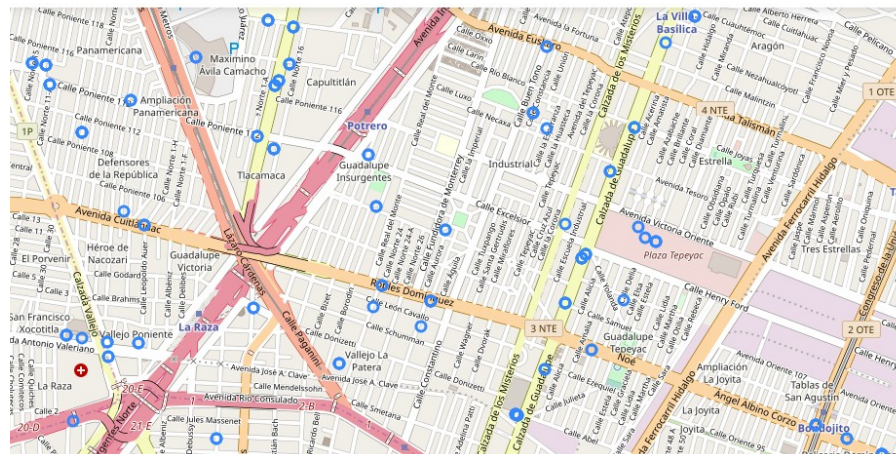
Correlation between socioeconomic variables and the amount of pharmacies per borough was calculated.



Plot of the position of each pharmacy.



It is observed that pharmacies tend to cluster together and are located along medium sized avenues or small streets near medium size avenues.



3.2 Feature selection

Venue types were ordered by venue counts and only the 100 with the most venues were kept.

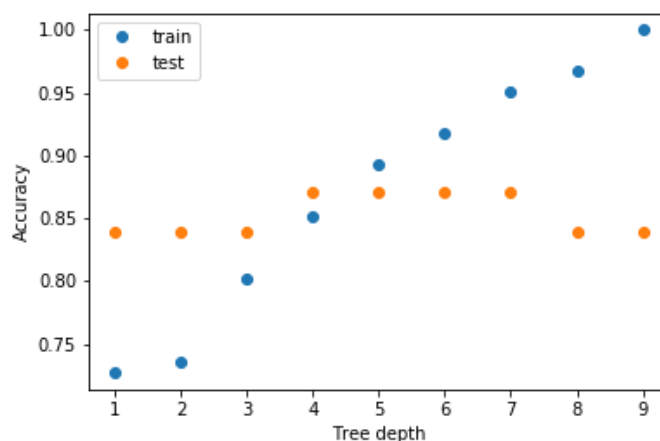
Venues with a correlation between -0.05 and 0.3 were discarded.

Using the data about pharmacy counts per borough two target classes were created, those boroughs with just one pharmacy and those with more than one pharmacies.

3.3 Machine learning models

Since this is a classification problem a random forest was used to classify each borough into the categories “one pharmacy” which correspond to label 0 and “More than one pharmacies” which corresponds to the label 1.

The depth of the random forest was chosen by selecting the point where the test set accuracy begins to diminish.



4. Results

The confusion matrix of the trained model is represented in the next table.

Actual 0	26	12
Actual 1	0	114
	Predicted 0	Predicted 1

5. Dicussion

There are some points which belong the class 0 but where classified on the class 1 which means this boroughs can host more than one pharmacies. Thus it is recommended to select a location within this boroughs and along a medium sized avenue or near one. The name of the boroughs are:

- AMPLIACION PROGRESO NACIONAL
- BENITO JUAREZ
- GUADALUPE INSURGENTES
- LA JOYITA
- SAN JOSE DE LA ESCALERA
- SAN PEDRO EL CHICO
- TRIUNFO DE LA REPUBLICA
- VALLE DE MADERO
- ZONA ESCOLAR ORIENTE
- EX-EJIDO SAN JUAN DE ARAGON SECTOR 32
- PRADERA
- PUEBLO SANTIAGO ATZACOALCO

The venues that are most often found near a pharmacy (the ones that fulfilled conditions stated on section 3.2) are Moving Target, American Restaurant, Museum, Garden, Indie Movie Theater, Hobby Shop, Night Market, Health & Beauty Service, Soccer Stadium, Trail, Pedestrian Plaza, Rest Area, Lounge, Food, Martial Arts Dojo, Supermarket, Mountain, Plaza, Bus Station, Athletics & Sports, Movie Theater, Brewery, Café, Bar, Seafood Restaurant and Taco Place.

6. Conclusion

In this study boroughs of Gustavo A. Madero, Mexico City where analyzed to find the ones that can have more than pharmacy but actually have just one. A model was built to detect the models wich can host more than one pharmacy. A list of the names of these boroughs is provided.