# FIND BEST NEIGHBORHOOD IN SHANGHAI TO BUILD ELECTRICAL VEHICLE CHARGING STATION

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

A real problem I met when I was an intern

 Our company need to make decisions to select two neighborhoods as the first stage of building stations plan

#### (CON'T) FEATURE OF ELECTRICAL CHARGING

- Charging a vehicle takes far longer time that filling gas to a car
  - A 90% charging process will usually take more than 4 hours
  - But filling gas only takes less than 10 mins.
- Electrical charging stations are much larger than gas stations
  - Since a lot of cars need to be charged at the same time.

### (CON'T) CHARACTERISTICS OF AN IDEA PLACE TO BUILD AN ELECTRICAL VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

- People tend to choose drive to this location.
- People usually stay at this neighborhood for more than 4 hours once (shopping, traveling and hoteling are typical activities for longer stay).
- The neighborhood should not be in but near the downtown area, which is feasible and cheap to find an open area to build a large station.

## 2. THE DATA AND INFORMATION USED FOR ANALYZING

#### The divisions and neighborhoods of Shanghai

- These data and information will be scraped from Wikipedia web page
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Category:Neighbourhoods\_of\_Shanghai

### Geographical coordinates (Latitude and longitude) data of each neighborhood

- This data is import from Geocoder library
- https://geocoder.readthedocs.io/

#### Venues data in each neighborhood.

- This data is acquired from Foursquare API
- https://foursquare.com/

# 3.METHODOLOGY AND MAIN COMPONENTS

#### 3.1 INSTALL AND IMPORT LIBRARIES

 Beautifulsoup4, geocoder, numpy, pandas, json\_\_normalize, geopy, requests, matplotlib, sklearn-Kmeans, folium, geocoder

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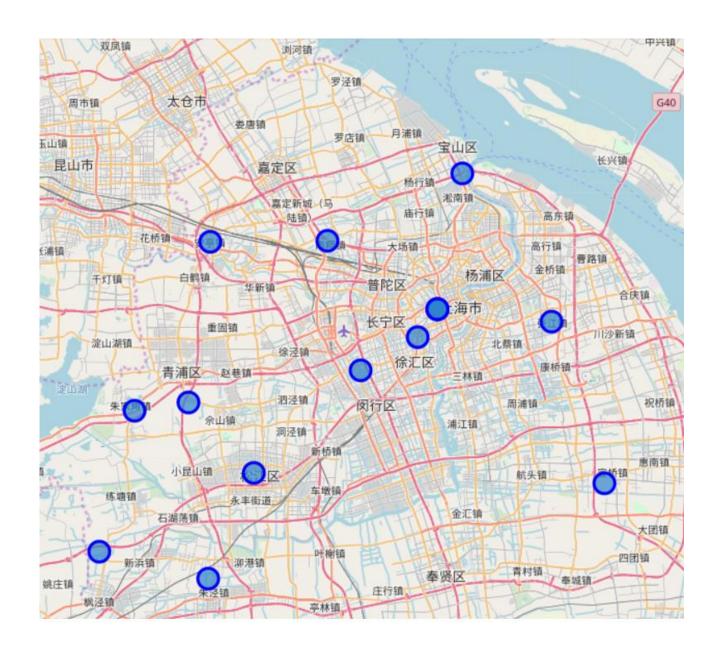
	Neighborhood	Latitude	Longitude
0	Anting	31.29890	121.15760
1	Changshou Road Subdistrict	30.91604	121.15409
2	Fengjing	31.11670	121.12902
3	Gaoqiao, Shanghai	31.22222	121.45806
4	Gubei, Shanghai	31.22222	121.45806
5	Koreatown, Shanghai	31.22222	121.45806
6	Lujiazui	30.79141	121.34888
7	Luodian, Shanghai	31.22222	121.45806
8	Nanxiang	31.29979	121.31180
9	Qiantan International Business Zone (Shanghai)	31.22222	121.45806
10	Qibao	31.15267	121.35688
11	Songjiang Town	31.03595	121.21460
12	Tianzifang	31.22222	121.45806
13	Wusong	31.37566	121.49041
14	Xintiandi	31.02474	121.67880
15	Xinzhuang, Shanghai	30.94642	121.00982
16	Xujiahui	31.19000	121.43194
17	Zhangjiang Town	31.20861	121.60889
18	Zhujiajiao	31.10757	121.05696

#### 3.2 BUILD A DATAFRAME OF NEIGHBORHOODS IN SHANGHAI, CHINA BY WEB SCRAPING (BEAUTIFULSOUP) THE DATA FROM WIKIPEDIA PAGE

## 3.3 GET THE GEOGRAPHICAL COORDINATES (GEOCODER) OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS AND BUILD A MAP WITH NEIGHBORHOODS

- Define a function to get coordinates, initialize variable to None and loop until getting the coordinates.
- Create temporary data frame to populate the coordinates into Latitude and Longitude.
- Merge the coordinates into the original data frame.
- Check the neighborhoods and the coordinates and finally create map of Shanghai using latitude and longitude values

## NEIGHBORHOODS IN SHANGHAI



# 3.4 OBTAIN THE VENUE DATA FOR THE NEIGHBORHOODS FROM FOURSQUARE API AND CATEGORIZE THE VENUES BY PARKING TIME LENGTH

- Define Foursquare Credentials and Version.
- Download venue information in each neighborhood via Foursquare API. Convert the venues list into a new data frame and combine with data frame of neighborhoods.
- Count the number of main venue types with descend order and select top-10 venue types by numbers for data analyze.
- Then categorized data into three types with different general parking time. Note that in these venue types, "Shopping Mall, Hotel, Park" are venues longer parking hours

#### CON'T SPECIAL NOTE FOR CATEGRIZATION

• "Spa, Dumpling Restaurant, Chinese Restaurant, Japanese Restaurant" are venues Medium parking hours "Cocktail Bar, Bakery, Coffee Shop" are venues shorter parking hours or no parking places. Then cluster the neighborhoods by above venue characteristics by Sklearn Kmeans with k=3 and random\_state=0. Then create a new data frame that includes the cluster as well as the top 10 venues for each neighborhood with latitude and longitude data. Use this result data frame to create a new map with clusters in different color.

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#### CATEGORIZED CHART

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#### NEIGHBORHOO DS WITH CLUSTER POINT

# 4. ANALYZE THE RESULT AND MAKE DECISION

# CLUSTER 2: NEIGHBORHOODS WHERE LONGER, MEDIUM AND SHORTER PARKING TIME PLACES ARE RELATIVELY IN AVERAGE NUMBER.

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- These neighborhoods are usually downtown neighborhoods.
- All kinds of business overlapped with each other
- parking space are usually limited >public transportations are usually of the first priority

**Fair Choice** 

#### CLUSTER 1 ARE USUALLY RESIDENTIAL AREA

- The most popular business here are restaurants
- Closed to living areas, do not provides parking spaces.
- Electrical cars owner will prefer to charge their cars in their own parking lot.

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	6	Lujiazui	0.0	0.5	0.0	1	30.79141	121.34888

#### **Bad Choice**

# CLUSTER 0 : NEW DISTRICT

- High occurrence of Shopping Mall, Hotel, Park.
- Away from downtown places, public transportation are not covered thoroughly
- People will choose drive to these neighborhoods
- Stay for rather a long time(> 4 hour)

]:	Neighborhoods	Shopping Mall, Hotel, Park	Spa, Dumpling Restaurant, Chinese Restaurant, Japanese Restaurant	Cocktail Bar, Bakery, Coffee Shop	Cluster Labels	Latitude	Longitude
14	4 Xintiandi	0.50	0.0	0.00	0	31.02474	121.67880
10	Qibao	0.32	0.2	0.12	0	31.15267	121.35688

#### **Good Choice**

#### 5. DISCUSSION

- Once budget and human resource are available, the next stage with more location need to be considered.
- We should move to cluster 2 to find new neighborhoods.
- The higher normalized value in Shopping Mall, Hotel, Park should be preferred to build new charging station.

## Anting, Songjiang Town, Nanxiang

#### 6. CONCLUSION

- In the first stage, the neighborhoods to build electrical charging stations are Xintiandi, Qibao.
- In the second stage, Anting, Songjiang Town, Nanxiang are good choices to build electrical charging stations.