



Study of venues for office land acquisition in the city of Madrid.

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Introduction

- **Background**

Our client is a virtual international **real estate company focused in renting offices and coworking spaces**, based in Central Europe. The company is extending its business to Southern Europe, choosing **Madrid** for the expansion, since the company have some partner companies already there. Madrid, capital of Spain and the 4th most populated city in Europe, also has the advantages of very good communications to the city and regional and international relevance to make business in Southern Europe.



Introduction

- **Problem**

The company is not familiar with the city area to acquire land for new offices, so they are requiring an analysis from **data science experts** in order to process all the relevant data about the city.

- **Objective**

Choose **which Madrid city neighborhoods are most suitable for the expansion of our company** to buy land for a new office.

Basic requirements of the new placement:

- Accessibility to **Metro stations**.
- **Hotels** nearby.
- **Restaurants** nearby.
- **Land value is outside the scope of the study in this phase.**





Data sources

- **Banco de datos de Madrid.** Callejero Oficial del Ayuntamiento de Madrid. (CSV file)
(<https://datos.madrid.es/>). August 2019.
- **Foursquare API**
(<https://developer.foursquare.com/>). August 2019.
- **Geocoder library documentation for OpenStreetMaps**
(<https://geocoder.readthedocs.io/providers/OpenStreetMap.html>). August 2019.

Data preprocessing and wrangling

Difficulties overcome while studying the provided data:

- Standarization of Madrid **neighborhood names**.
- Original **format of coordinates** (WGS84 instead of decimal).
- **Missing or zero values** in the original dataset.





Methodology

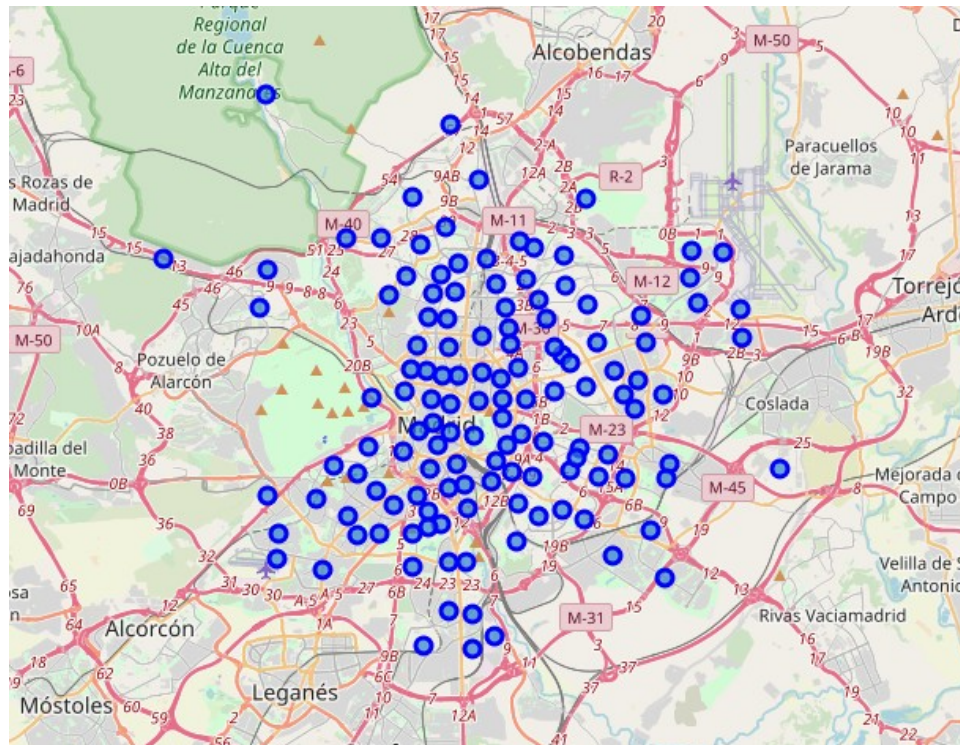
- **Venues obtention**
 - Using Foursquare API.
- **Geocoding**
 - Using geocode library (Python) and OpenStreetMaps API.
- **Plotting**
 - Using folium library (Python).
- **Clustering**
 - Using K-means algorithm (unsupervised).
 - Using sklearn library (Python).
- **Scoring**
 - Quantitative scoring using StandardScaler.

Methodology

- **Geocoding** a centered spot in Madrid.

```
import geocoder
g = geocoder.osm('Nuevos Ministerios, Madrid')
Longitude=g.x
Latitude=g.y
```

- **Plotting** with **folium**: Geographical location of each neighborhood.



Methodology

- Venues obtention for each neighborhood, using **Foursquare API**:

	Neighborhood	Yoga Studio	Accessories Store	Adult Boutique	African Restaurant	Airport	American Restaurant	Arcade	Arepa Restaurant	Argentinian Restaurant	Art Gallery	Art Museum	Arts & Crafts Store	Asian Restaurant	Athlet & Spo
0	ABRANTES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.000000	
1	ACACIAS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.015152	
2	ADELFA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.027027	
3	ALAMEDA DE OSUNA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.000000	
4	ALMAGRO	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.01	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.01	0.01	0.0	0.000000	

- Clustering of neighborhoods, using kmeans from sklearn library:**

```
[ ] from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
```

```
[ ] # set number of clusters
kclusters = 10

Madrid_grouped_clustering = Madrid_grouped.drop('Neighborhood', 1)

# run k-means clustering
kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=kclusters, random_state=0).fit(Madrid_grouped_clustering)

# check cluster labels generated for each row in the dataframe
kmeans.labels_[0:10]
```

```
array([4, 8, 8, 8, 1, 1, 7, 8, 8, 7], dtype=int32)
```

```
[ ] # add clustering labels
neighborhoods_venues_sorted.insert(0, 'Cluster Labels', kmeans.labels_)

Madrid_merged = df_geo

# merge toronto_grouped with toronto_data to add latitude/longitude for each neighborhood
Madrid_merged = Madrid_merged.join(neighborhoods_venues_sorted.set_index('Neighborhood'), on='Neighborhood')
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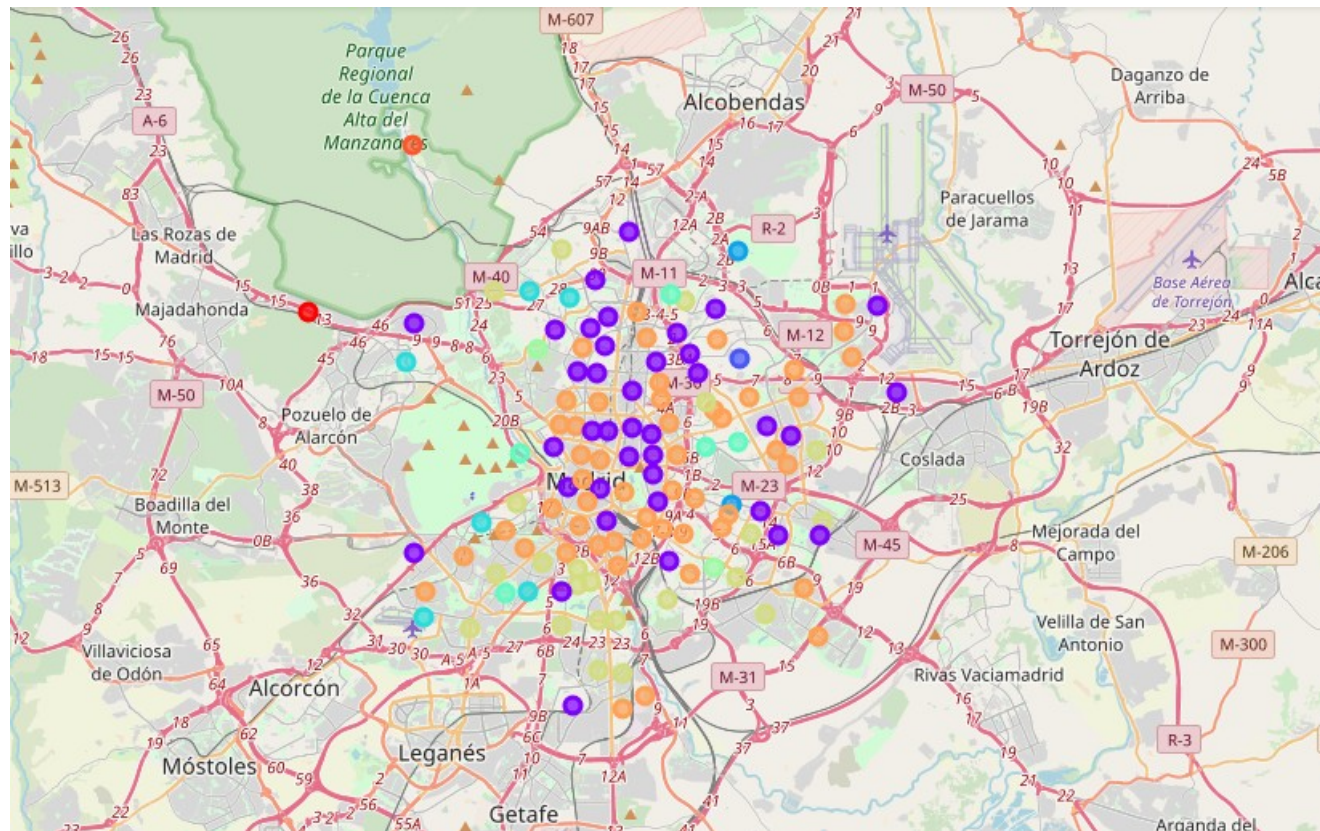

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- **Clustering of neighborhoods, using kmeans from sklearn library (Result):**

	Neighborhood	Latitude	Longitude	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	7th Most Common Venue	8th Most Common Venue	9th Most Common Venue	10th Most Common Venue
0	ABRANTES	40.380771	-3.728200	4.0	Pizza Place	Fast Food Restaurant	Restaurant	Bakery	Women's Store	Fish & Chips Shop	Fabric Shop	Falafel Restaurant	Farm	Farmers Market
1	ACACIAS	40.401900	-3.706246	8.0	Spanish Restaurant	Bar	Park	Café	Supermarket	Pizza Place	Grocery Store	Restaurant	Food & Drink Shop	Gym
2	ADELFA	40.401066	-3.671138	8.0	Grocery Store	Supermarket	Diner	Spanish Restaurant	Tapas Restaurant	Fast Food Restaurant	Bar	Breakfast Spot	Football Stadium	Brewery
3	ALAMEDA DE OSUNA	40.456939	-3.590116	8.0	Plaza	Tapas Restaurant	Hobby Shop	Metro Station	Bar	Bakery	Cocktail Bar	Fried Chicken Joint	Chinese Restaurant	Bistro
4	ALMAGRO	40.432932	-3.694264	1.0	Spanish Restaurant	Restaurant	Bar	Italian Restaurant	Mediterranean Restaurant	Japanese Restaurant	French Restaurant	Plaza	Coffee Shop	Café

Methodology

- **Plotting** with **folium**: Geographical location of each neighborhood, **clustered**:



Methodology

- **Scoring of neighborhoods**, using **StandardScaler**:

	Neighborhood	Restaurant	Hotel	Metro Station	SCORE	Cluster Labels
0	RECOLETOS	4.384123	3.297158	-0.436113	1.779268	1.0
1	CORTES	2.283945	7.048591	-0.436113	1.496035	1.0
2	CASTELLANA	3.964088	0.170964	-0.436113	1.291902	1.0
3	ALMAGRO	3.544052	0.796203	-0.436113	1.221361	1.0
4	LISTA	3.124016	1.421441	-0.436113	1.150820	1.0
5	CASTILLEJOS	1.863909	1.421441	1.424635	0.937534	1.0
6	JUSTICIA	1.863909	2.671919	-0.436113	0.869726	8.0
7	TRAFALGAR	2.703980	-0.454275	-0.436113	0.802395	1.0
8	PALOS DE MOGUER	2.283945	0.796203	-0.436113	0.801325	1.0
9	SOL	1.443873	2.671919	-0.436113	0.729714	8.0

Methodology

- **Scoring of clusters, using StandardScaler:**

SCORE	
Cluster Labels	
1.0	7.482688
0.0	-0.317701
2.0	-0.317701
9.0	-0.317701
3.0	-0.635401
6.0	-0.635401
8.0	-0.878025
5.0	-0.894980
4.0	-1.346156
7.0	-2.139623



Results

- The most suitable neighborhoods are the ones located in **cluster no. 1** according to our study.
- The following neighborhoods seem the best for our purposes: **Recoletos, Cortes, Castellana, Almagro, Lista, Castillejos, Justicia, Trafalgar, Palos de Moguer and Sol**. Most of them belong to **cluster no. 1** as well.



Discussion

In order to have even more information to make the decision of our client, several additional studies can be done:

- Studying **land value** for scoring.
- Studying **regression and correlation between land value and venues.**
- **Clustering neighborhoods from a new matrix** with all the information **including land value without scoring.**

Last option may be the most cost-effective way for a second phase of this same problem.



Conclusion

- Clustering represents an easy way of classifying items **without any supervision**, which is the main interest on this kind of analysis.
- The purpose of combining both, clustering and scoring is useful since it is possible to **rank** neighborhoods separately.
- For our case, our company has now a much **clearer view**, not only about the clustering of different areas in Madrid, but also after ranking both clusters and neighborhoods in order to make a **final decision**.



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