Capstone Project - The Battle of Neighborhoods (Week 1-2)

Italian food in Brazil

Business Problem section

Background
Italian immigration to Brazil peaked between 1880 and 1930. Italo-Brazilians are spread mainly across the southern and southeastern states of Brazil. Italo-Brazilians are descendants of the huge mass of Italian immigrants who arrived in Brazil between 1870 and 1960. There are no concrete data on the number of descendants of Italians in Brazil. Immigration directly influenced the local cuisine of the southern provinces of Brazil, a region that received the greatest number of people. The city of Rio de Janeiro, despite not having received a large number of immigrants, was influenced by the tourism of Italian citizens, who periodically visit the city.
The rich and varied Italian cuisine, distinct in the various regions of the country, influenced the cuisine of practically the rest of the world. In the case of Brazilian cuisine, for example, the influence occurred through Italian immigration in the period between 1880 and 1930. Immigrants mixed the flavors and aromas of the homeland with the ingredients offered by the new land, adding the recipes from the different regions of Italy. developing them on Sunday lunches, which brought together several families, from different regions, in the same backyard. In Brazil there are many Italian restaurants with a menu full of delicious pasta, but for those who want to enjoy a good and unhealthy meal, it is advisable to pay attention to two important points: quality of the place and quality of food.

Business Problem
Italian restaurants are spread out in large Brazilian centers, which increases competition. That way, we reach the big goal.
If a company specialized in food needs a consultancy on opening a restaurant in a Brazilian capital, which capital to indicate? If the big prerequisite is the opening of a restaurant in a populous region with little competition, which city should we indicate.
A restaurant consultancy will help the company to better understand its reality, bring a new view on the competition and lead the company strategically to the creation of a new establishment, which will help in obtaining results.

Data section
Based on immigration surveys (http://www.imigrantesitalianos.com.br), the most populous Brazilian capitals with the largest number of Italian immigrants were selected:

- Sao Paulo
- Porto Alegre
- Florianópolis
- Curitiba
- Rio de Janeiro

Such data help in the application analysis for the opening of a new restaurant.

Methodology section
We will use the FourSquare API to collect data about restaurants in five major Brazilian cities. The data are plotted on a map to assist in the analysis of distance between restaurants, a prerequisite of the analysis for starting a business. The quadrangular limits us to a maximum of 100 locations per consultation. The analysis focused only on the five cities mentioned, which were plotted to facilitate the analysis. Then, to obtain an indicator of the density of Italian restaurants, the central coordinate of the locations was calculated to obtain the

average values of longitude and latitude. Then, I averaged the Euclidean distance from each location to the average coordinates. That was my indicator; average distance to the average coordinate.

Results

Below, we can see that all cities have a large number of Italian restaurants, and that competition is strong in the neighborhood. The maps were generated in the geoplot with folio:

Total number of italian food places in São Paulo, SP = 188
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Total number of italian food places in Porto Alegre, RS = 87
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Total number of italian food places in Florianópolis, SC = 68
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Total number of italian food places in Curitiba, PR = 104
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Total number of italian food places in Rio de Janeiro, RJ = 115
Showing Top 100

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Florianópolis, SC
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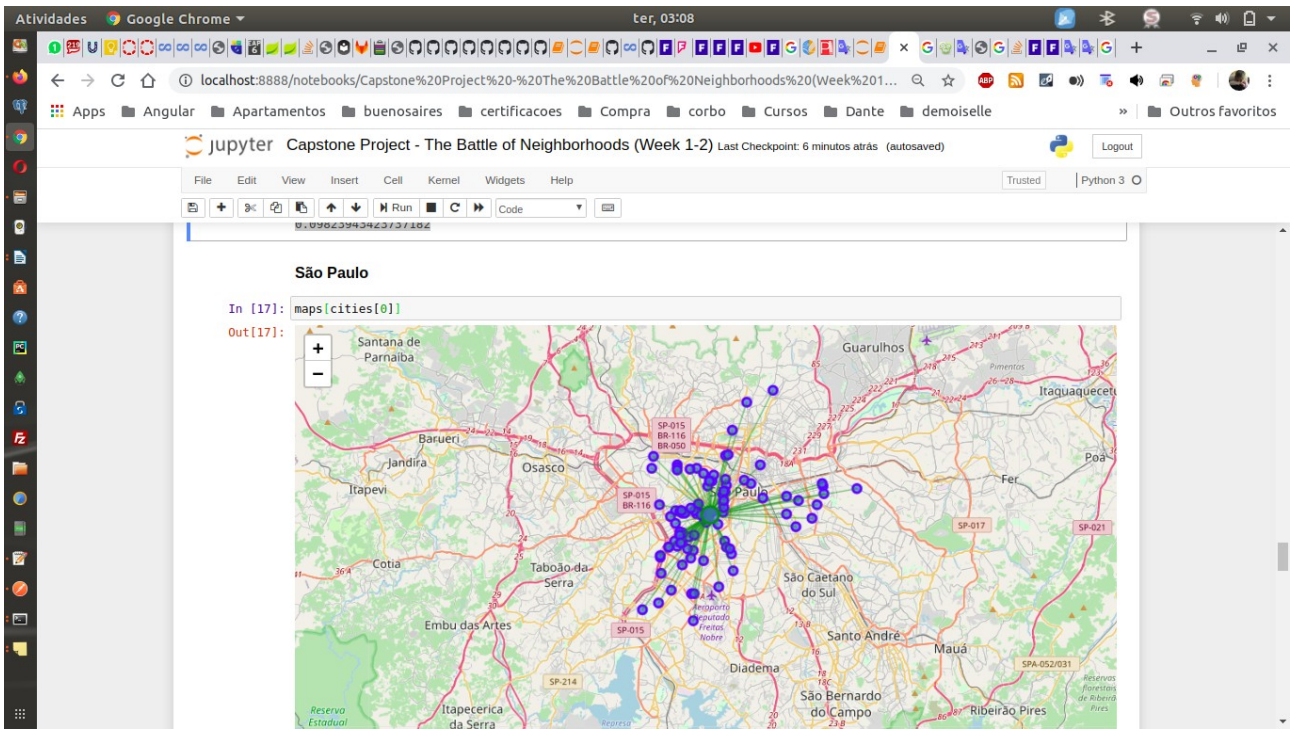
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Guarulhos
Barueri
Jandira
Osasco
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Taboão da Serra
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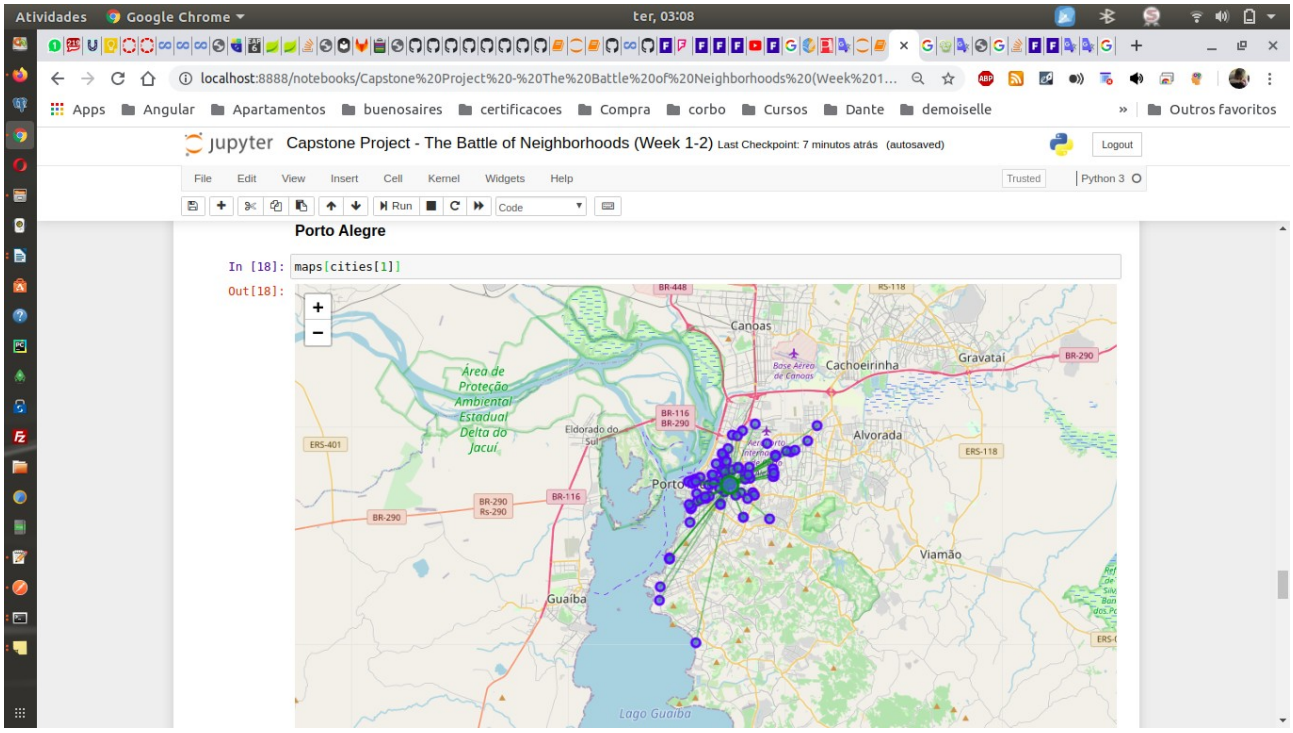
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Canoas
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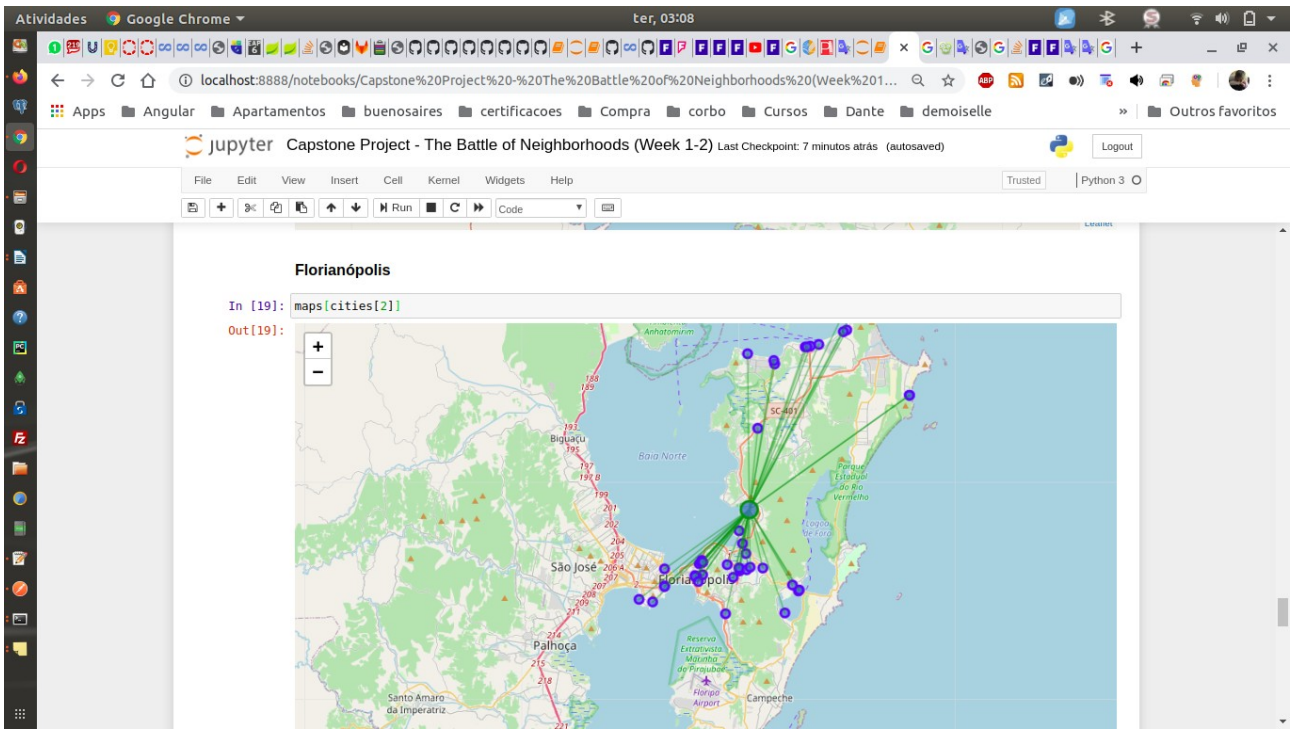
Lago Guaíba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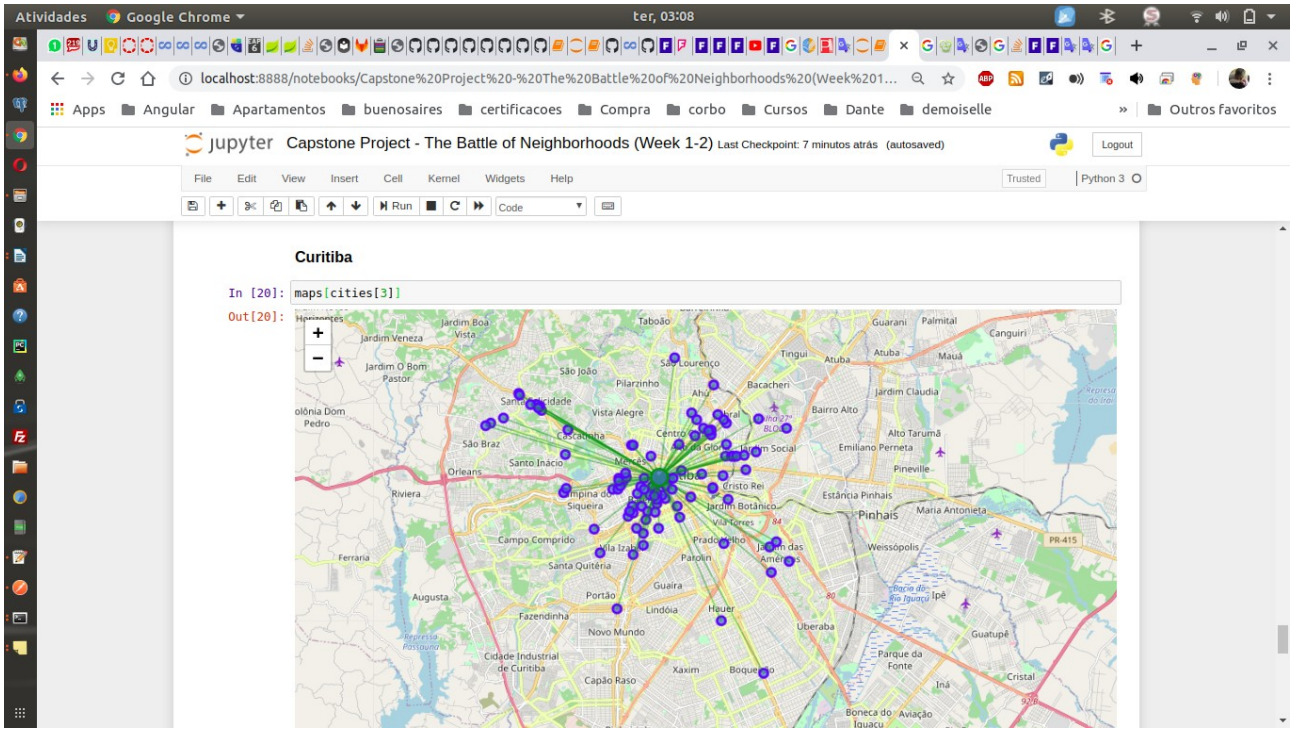
Santo Amaro da Imperatriz
Campeche
Baía Norte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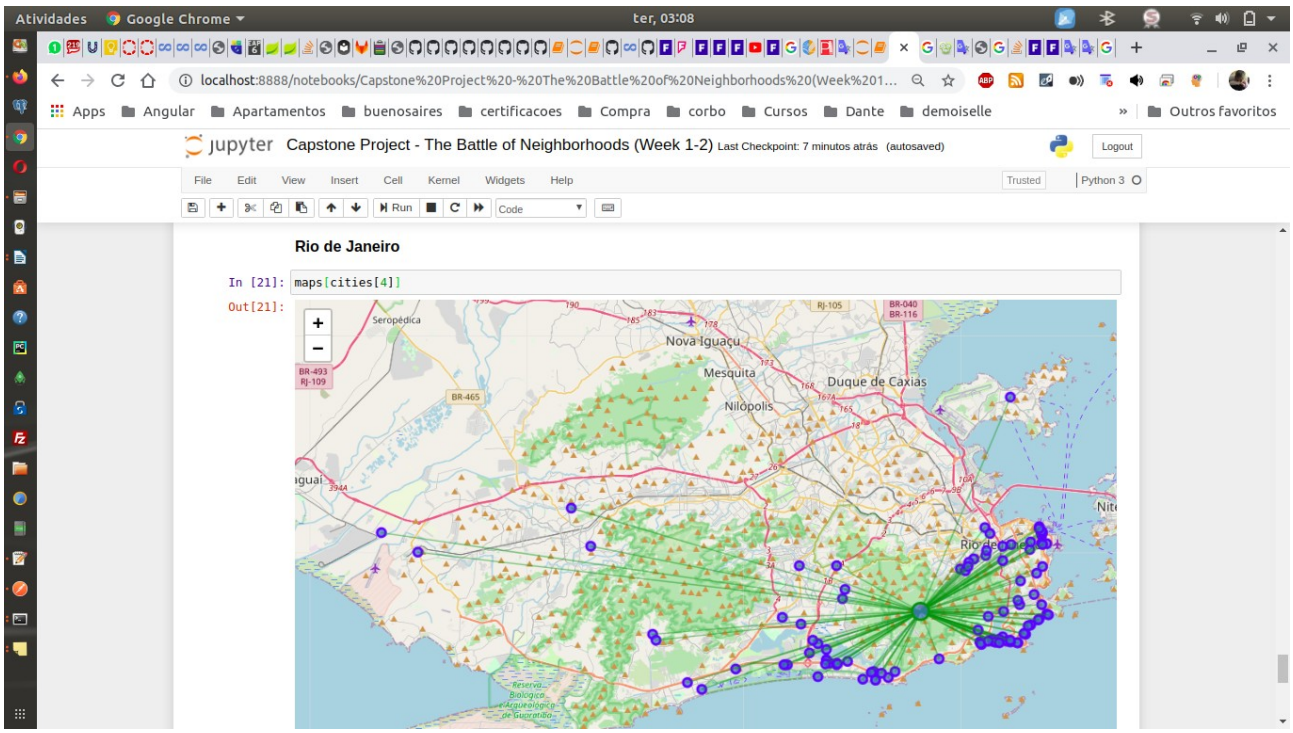
Portão
Cabral
Pinhais
Campo Comprido
Santa Quitéria
Boqueirão
Cidade Industrial de Curitiba



Results - Mean Distance from Mean coordinates:

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- Porto Alegre, RS: 0.03108649945434047;
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- Florianópolis, SC: 0.07987321369324735;
- Rio de Janeiro, RJ: 0.09823943423737182

Discussion

We can see that São Paulo is the city with the largest number of establishments specializing in Italian food. The cities of southern Brazil also have a significant number of establishments. Another important factor is the population of these capitals, the most significant of which are São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, respectively. We visually perceive that the density is concentrated in the shopping centers of these capitals, except in Rio de Janeiro, where the restaurants are far away. To get a concrete measure of this density, we will use some basic statistics. I will get the average location of the establishments Next, I will take the average distance from the locations to the average coordinates. In a simplified way, Italian restaurants are crowded in most capitals, except in Rio de Janeiro.

Conclusion

Taking into account that the consultancy was hired to analyze the best city for opening a restaurant away from the competition, we easily concluded that Rio de Janeiro is the only city with Italian food on every corner. That way, there is plenty of space to cook pasta and make money away from the competition in all other cities. Buon appetito!