Finding locations to open a gym in Brooklyn, NY

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Finding locations for Gym

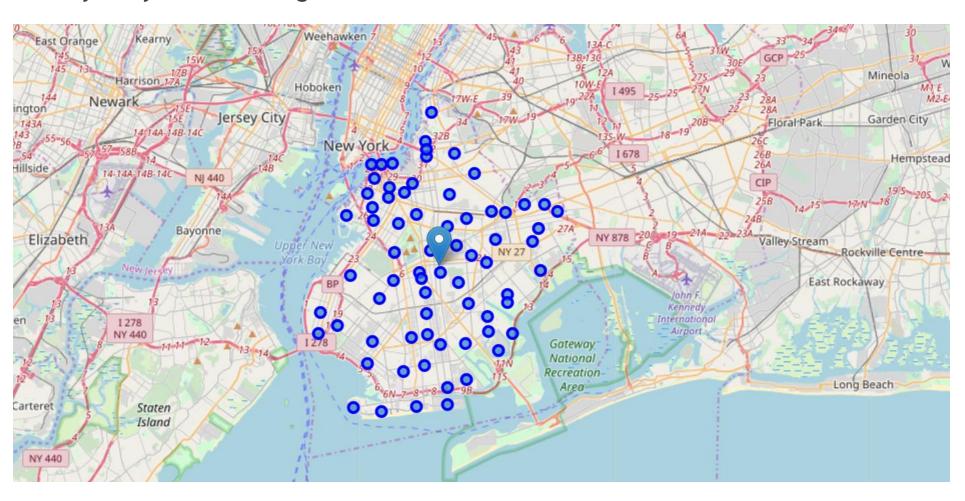
- New location should be closer to Brooklyn city center & away from other gyms
- ► Goal: 5km from city center & 2.75km from closest gym
- Use Foursquare Places API for find the candidate neighborhood centers
- Director board of the fitness club group is interested in this project

Data

- Dataset should have neighborhood, latitude, longitude, of Brooklyn area
- New York University's spatial data repository has the data of New York city neighborhoods
- > 70 neighborhoods with 4 features in Brooklyn
- Features: Borough, Neighborhood, Latitude, Longitude
- Explore venues & find cartesian coordinates & distance from city center

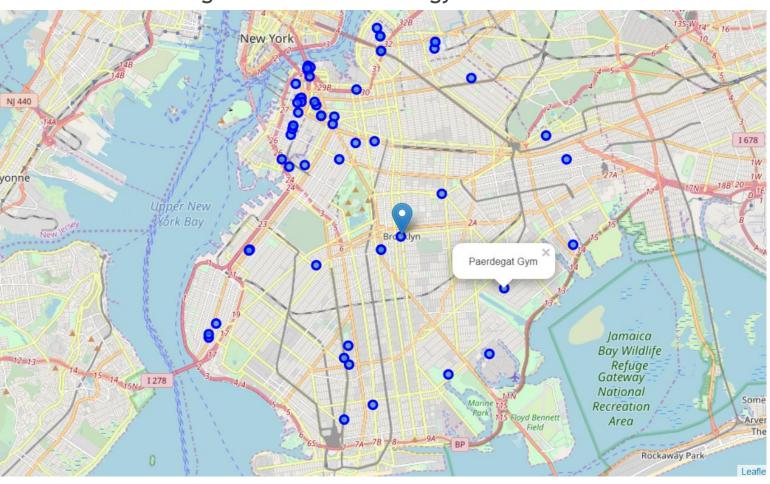
Visualization

Brooklyn city center & neighborhoods



Explore neighborhoods using Foursquare

Using Foursquare Places API's 'explore' endpoint, get a list of recommended venues in each neighborhood and filter gyms.



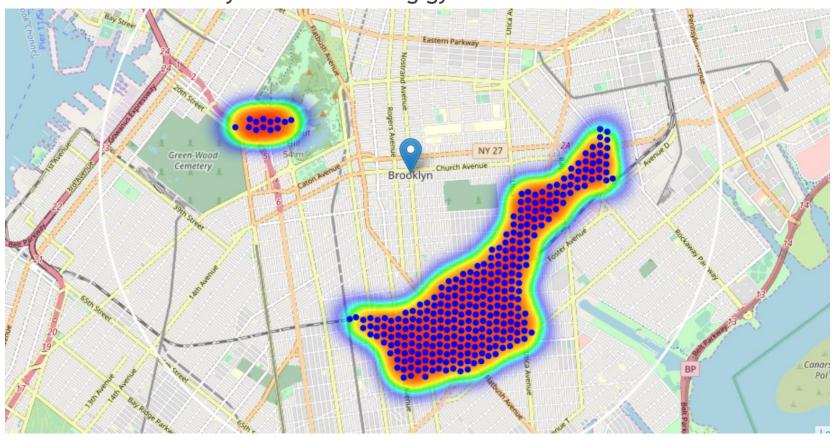
Analysis

The current density of gym/fitness centers in Brooklyn (Target area: 5km from city center)



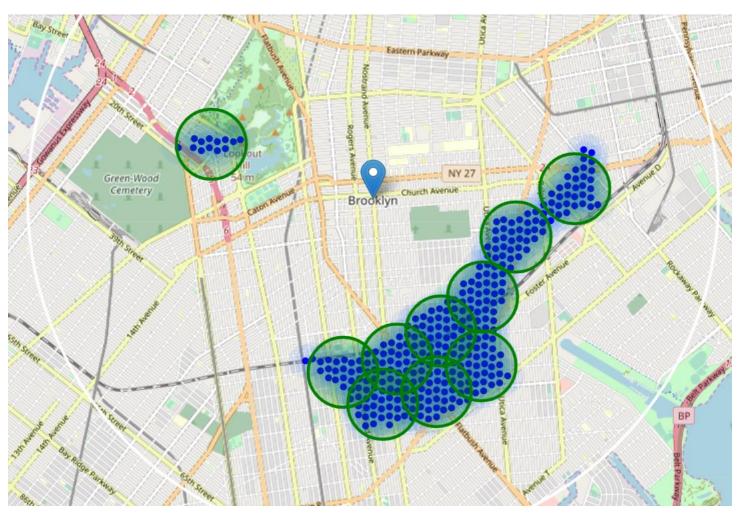
New location candidates

Denser grid of location candidates to open a new gym - 5km around Brooklyn city center and 2.75 away from an existing gym/fitness center



Clustering

Using K-Means clustering model, grouped the location candidates into 10 zones



Locations for new gym/fitness center

Centers of the location candidate zones are the recommended locations for a new gym



Results & conclusion

Addresses of the locations using Google Map API reverse geocoding

Addresses of centers of areas recommended for further analysis

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1125 E 28th St, Brooklyn, NY 11210
                                                  => 4.5km from Brooklyn center
5520 Kings Hwy, Brooklyn, NY 11203
                                                  => 3.3km from Brooklyn center
51 Sherman St, Brooklyn, NY 11215
                                                  => 3.8km from Brooklyn center
915 E 40th St, Brooklyn, NY 11210
                                                  => 3.3km from Brooklyn center
658 E 93rd St, Brooklyn, NY 11236
                                                  => 4.5km from Brooklyn center
1800 Schenectady Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11234
                                                  => 4.4km from Brooklyn center
3115 Avenue I, Brooklyn, NY 11210
                                                  => 3.6km from Brooklyn center
979 E 48th St, Brooklyn, NY 11203
                                                  => 3.2km from Brooklyn center
1282 E 39th St, Brooklyn, NY 11210
                                                  => 4.5km from Brooklyn center
997 E 22nd St, Brooklyn, NY 11210
                                                  => 3.9km from Brooklyn center
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Results & conclusion

- Clearly identified areas with lower density of gym/fitness centers in Brooklyn
- Created a dense grid of location candidates spaced 200m apart
- Used machine learning model K-Means Clustering cluster the location candidates
- We used Google Map API reverse geocoding to generate the addresses of the 10 zone centers
- Consider the recommendations as a good starting point.
 And consider specific characteristics of the neighborhood