

# HOW CAN A RESTAURANT FIND THE 'BEST' CUSTOMERS Getting Help with Yelp!

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# defining the 'best' customer:



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Paul H. Manhattan, NY

## 87 friends
189 reviews

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Summary:

I rarely find myself in this neighborhood. But perhaps I'll come more often? This is a great Lebanese place with fantastic food, service, and décor. Highly recommended!

Atmosphere:

Huge place with very interesting boxy décor. The bathrooms were very clean and had actual cloth towels, fantastic!

Food:

We got the kafta which consisted of 4 decent sized skewers with a garlic sauce and pita. The meat tasted very fresh and well spiced. I'm usually not a fan of brussel sprouts but my girlfriend insisted and this dish absolutely stole the show. The usually bland sprouts sprang to life in the spices and grapes with walnuts. So glad we got these.

Drinks:

We got a jasmine infused mint tea which was very tasty. It was light and satisfying.

Service:

Here's where this place shines. Our server, Alexander, was absolutely exquisite. Whatever this place is paying him, it's not nearly enough. He was very warm, friendly, and had fantastic recommendations. Super funny to boot. He was very attentive without being overbearing. 5 stars!



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## BEST CUSTOMER!

- leave positive ratings
- local to your business
- have a credible history
- leave influential reviews



## A DATA-DRIVEN PROCESS













## GETTING AND CLEANING THE DATA

#### **Local Restaurants**

Obtained names of the closest 1000 restaurants to where my location is using Yelp API



#### **Scrape User Reviews**

Get every user, user rating, date, and review for local restaurants with BeautifulSoup



Their pizza is amazing, and the parmigiana di melanzane was also very very good. I loved the bread and ricotta they give you at the beginning.

The service was great too, and when they turn up the music with traditional Neapolitan songs you feel like you are in Napoli.





# >150,000 REVIEWS

That's a lot of reviews

~80,000 users

And a lot of unique users







## CLEANED DATA

~ 4000 QUALITY LOCAL USERS

AVERAGE YELP RATING

NUMBER OF LOCAL REVIEWS

DATE OF LAST REVIEW



## Phil "I Yelp harder than you" H.

New York, NY

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#### **Reviews**







# get and clean data visualize data

## ANALYZING THE DATA

## Preprocess Reviews

- word stemmers
- sentence and word tokenizers
- remove stop words
- parts of speech tagging
- n–grams

## **Cluster Reviews**

- TFIDF (term frequency inverse document frequency)
- k-means clustering



## DEFINING THE CLUSTERS

| Cluster Name                           | Word 1 | Word 2   | Word 3  | Word 4   | Word 5 |
|--|--------|----------|---------|----------|--------|
| Happy Hours                            | bar    | drink    | beer    | hour     | һарру  |
| Burgers and<br>Shakes                  | burger | fried    | chicken | cheese   | shakes |
| Lunch Sandwiches,<br>Salads, and Soups | lunch  | sandwich | salad   | chicken  | soups  |
| Indian Food                            | indian | curried  | chicken | dishes   | love   |
| Sit Down Lunch                         | lunch  | re       | bar     | sandwich | table  |



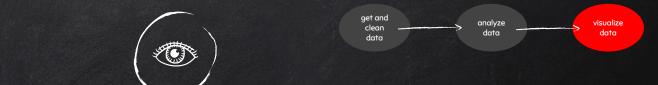


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## VISUALIZING THE DATA





# THANKS!

http://54.210.117.210:5000/

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### **Yelp Customer Finder**

#### **Each circle below represents a customer**



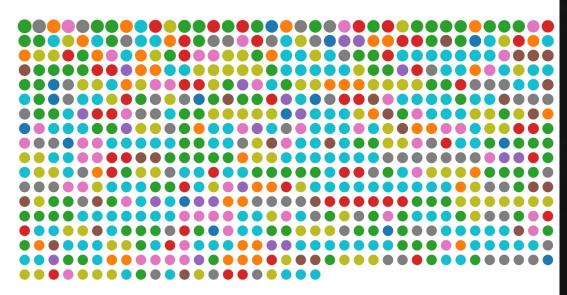


#### **Minimum Number of Reviews: 12**



#### **Clusters: Select Clusters**

- ■Happy Hours
- ■Burgers and Shakes
- ☑■Lunch Sandwiches, Salads, and Soups
- ■Indian Food
- ✓ Sit Down Lunch
- **▼**■Korean Food
- ✓ ■Wines and Brunch
- Spicy Rice Dishes
- Desserts
- ✓ ■Pizza Lovers





## Yelp Customer Finder

#### Each circle below represents a customer

Average Rating: 3.41

Number Local Reviews: 114

Cluster: Pizza Lovers





#### Minimum Number of Reviews: 98



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Near 28th and madison, New York, NY



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#### **Port Canaveral**

Landmarks & Historical Buildings 445 Challenger Rd Cape Canaveral, FL 32920

12/13/2015

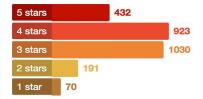
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Listed in 2015 Reviews

This was my first time taking a cruise out of Port Canaveral

#### **About Phil H.**

**Rating Distribution** 



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