

Clustering the Neighbourhoods with Chinese Restaurants of London

Final Project

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1. Introduction

This is the final project of the IBM Data Science Course on Coursera. In this project, I have analyzed the scenario of Chinese Restaurants in London. The results and data obtained might be used such as information for tourisms guides, neighbourhoods where it is possible to create a new Chinese restaurant or areas to avoid in the city for this news Chinese restaurants. Whit these ideas in mind, I have developed this project to get the correct information for tourists or the best locations for new restaurant. The project will be developed with python, Foursquare API and all tools and mechanism that I have learned in this IBM Course.

2. Business problem

The aim of this project is to help to find the best location for any person that wants establish his Chinese Restaurant in London. In addition, this project can help to elaborate a tourist guide with the better information about Chinese Restaurants in the capital of United Kingdom.

3. Data

It is necessary data about the boroughs (or Neighbourhoods), geolocation data of each borough and all the venues in each borough visited by the people in London. When we have obtained this information will be relevant the correct union of valid information in order to cluster the Neighbourhoods and obtain valuables results. We are going to use the following apps or websites pages in order to obtain the primary information:

- 1. Wikipedia
- 2. Foursquare API
- 3. ArcGIS geolocations

Wikipedia

To obtain the data of London's Borough, we have to scrape data from: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_areas_of_London

On this website we will obtain: Borough, Town and Postal code after clean the dataframes.

1. Borough: Name of Neighbourhood

2. Town: Name of Borough

3. Post-code: Postal codes in London

Foursquare API

We need credentials in order to obtain the information, so first of all we have to register in Foursquare Developer API https://foursquare.com/

All the information about venues location in London will be provided by Foursquare API. This information will be the cornerstone to elaborate this project.

On this website we will obtain: Neighbourhoods, latitude, longitude, venues and venues category.

- 1. Neighbourhood: Name of Neighbourhood in London
- 2. Latitude Neighbourhood: Latitude coordinate of each Neighbourhood in London
- 3. Longitude Neighbourhood: Longitude coordinate of each Neihgbourhood in London
- 4. Venue: Name of venue in London
- 5. Venue Category: Category assigned of each venue in London

ArcGIS geolocations

Arcgis is a System of Geographic Information (GIS) that provide to the project the coordinates of each neighbourhood and the city of London in order to obtain the maps and make the cluster with Folium.

- 1. Latitude Neighbourhood: Data of latitude coordinates
- 2. Longitude Neighbourhood: Data of longitude coordinates

4. Methodology

First, we need to get the list of Boroughs in London. So, we are extracting the list of borough from Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_areas_of_London. We have to do web scraping by utilizing pandas with read_html to pull tabular directly from Wikipedia page into a data frame.

	Borough	Town	Post-code
0	Bexley, Greenwich	LONDON	SE2
1	Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham	LONDON	W3, W4
2	Croydon	CROYDON	CR0
3	Croydon	CROYDON	CR0
4	Bexley	BEXLEY, SIDCUP	DA5, DA14
526	Greenwich	LONDON	SE18
527	Sutton, Kingston upon Thames	WORCESTER PARK	KT4
528	Hammersmith and Fulham	LONDON	W12
529	Hillingdon	HAYES	UB4
530	Hillingdon	WEST DRAYTON	UB7

531 rows × 3 columns

Obtain the shape and info dataframe

We must concatenate this list of borough names and postal codes of London with its coordinates. For this reason, it is necessary to use ArcGIS in order to get the coordinates of each neighbour in London. First, we have to get the coordinates in function of postal code and then we have to concatenate this results with the table obtained from Wikipedia.

```
coordinates london = post_code london.apply(lambda x: get_x y_london(x))
coordinates london
       51.492450000000076,0.12127000000003818
1
       51.51324000000005,-0.2674599999999714
2
       51.38475500000004,-0.05149847299992416
3
       51.38475500000004,-0.05149847299992416
       51.50642000000005,-0.1272099999999341
526
       51.48207000000008,0.07143000000002075
527
       51.50642000000005,-0.1272099999999341
528
       51.50645000000003,-0.2369099999999662
529
       51.50642000000005,-0.1272099999999341
530
       51.50642000000005,-0.1272099999999341
Name: Post-code, Length: 531, dtype: object
```

Concat the two dataframes (wikipedia dataframe and arcgis dataframe)

```
london_merged = pd.concat([df,lat_uk.astype(float), long_uk.astype(float)], axis=1)
london_merged.columns= ['Borough','Town','Post-code','Latitude','Longitude']
london_merged
```

	Borough	Town	Post-code	Latitude	Longitude
0	Bexley, Greenwich	LONDON	SE2	51.492450	0.121270
1	Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham	LONDON	W3, W4	51.513240	-0.267460
2	Croydon	CROYDON	CR0	51.384755	-0.051498
3	Croydon	CROYDON	CR0	51.384755	-0.051498
4	Bexley	BEXLEY, SIDCUP	DA5, DA14	51.506420	-0.127210
526	Greenwich	LONDON	SE18	51.482070	0.071430
527	Sutton, Kingston upon Thames	WORCESTER PARK	KT4	51.506420	-0.127210
528	Hammersmith and Fulham	LONDON	W12	51.506450	-0.236910
529	Hillingdon	HAYES	UB4	51.506420	-0.127210
530	Hillingdon	WEST DRAYTON	UB7	51.506420	-0.127210

531 rows × 5 columns

Finally, to finish this geolocation part we have to import the coordinates of the city of London in order to make a map and locate the neighbour on this map.

```
london_long_coords = london['location']['x']
london_lat_coords = london['location']['y']
print('The coordinates of London are {}, {}.'.format(london_lat_coords, london_long_coords))
The coordinates of London are 51.50642000000005, -0.127209999999341.
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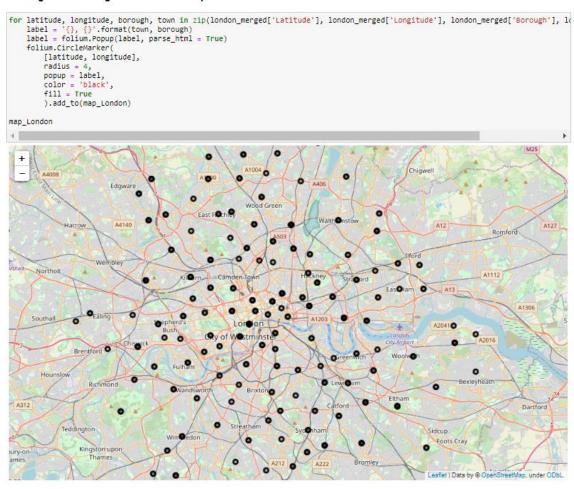
With this data obtained, we can get a map and visualize it using a Folium library to locate each Neighbourhood in London.

Create and visualize London's map with Folium

```
import folium

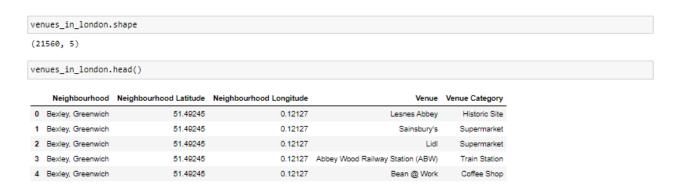
map_London = folium.Map(location=[london_lat_coords, london_long_coords], zoom_start=11)
```

Adding markers neighbourhoods to map



Next, it will be used Foursquare API to obtain the list of venues in a 500 meters radius from each Neighbourhood. First of all, I had created an account on Foursquare API developers to obtain

the credentials that allow me to obtain these calls to Foursquare API. The result of these calls is the following data frame:



From Foursquare API I can obtain the venues and its categories and with this data we can analyse the data in order to cluster the neighbourhoods.

Tables and data obtained from Wikipedia and Foursquare

- Number of venues on each Neighbourhood

/estminster	1570
Havering	1386
romley	1378
Bexley	1224
Killingdon	1122
tichmond upon Thames	885
Hounslow	817
amden	804
larrow	792
ingston upon Thames	706
slington	694
Parnet	642
roydon	620
lackney	600
tedbridge	586
ensington and Chelsea	567
outhwark	525
rent	472 469
ower Hamlets	
aling Barking and Dagenham	417 410
Hammersmith and Fulham	410
ewisham	400
/andsworth	370
lewham	356
utton	331
Maringey	317
lerton	304
ambeth	291
altham Forest	257
ity	235
nfield	224
ireenwich	151
Bexley, Bromley	132
ity, Westminster	100
ensington and Chelsea, Hammersmith and Fulham	
ledbridge, Waltham Forest	94
slington, City	79
ambeth, Wandsworth	73
Brent, Harrow	66
Brent, Ealing, Harrow	66
arnet, Enfield	66
tedbridge, Barking and Dagenham	66
outton, Kingston upon Thames	66
Haringey, Barnet	45
ambeth, Southwark	41
amden, Islington	41
Hounslow, Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham	40
rent, Camden	34
slington, Camden	31
Haringey, Islington	26
ewisham, Bromley	13
ireenwich, Lewisham	9
rent, Ealing	8
Bexley, Greenwich	8
ewisham, Southwark	8
aling, Hammersmith and Fulham	7
Barnet, Brent, Camden	5
Sexley, Greenwich	5
Harrow, Brent	3

- Number of Chinese Restaurants in London

```
g = Gb_venues_category
g['Venue'].loc['Chinese Restaurant']
```

- Number of Neighbourhood with at least one Chinese Restaurant

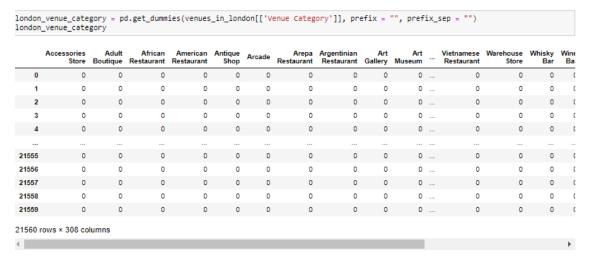
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len(Gb_neighbourhood_london[Gb_neighbourhood_london['Chinese Restaurant'] > 0])
18
```

Venues in London group by Neighbourhood



The following step on the methodology is the One Hot Encoding, we need to encode our venue categories to get a better result for our clustering.

One Hot encoding



To the last data frame we have to add the column Neighbourhood and group this data by each Neighbourhood.



The next step is obtaining a data frame with the neighbourhood and its hot encoding of 'Chinese Restaurant' that is the aim of this project. With this data frame, we can perform the clustering method by using k-means.

london_chinese_resta = Gb_neighbourhood_london[['Neighbourhood','Chinese Restaurant']]
london_chinese_resta

	Neighbourhood	Chinese Restaurant		
0	Barking and Dagenham	0.000000	30	Harrow, Brent
1	Barnet	0.012461	31	Havering
2	Barnet, Brent, Camden	0.000000	32	Hillingdon
3	Barnet, Enfield	0.000000	33	Hounslow
4	Bexley	0.000000	34	Hounslow, Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham
5	Bexley, Bromley	0.000000	35	Islington
6	Bexley, Greenwich	0.000000	36	Islington, Camden
7	Bexley, Greenwich	0.000000	37	Islington, City
8	Brent	0.014831	38	Kensington and Chelsea
9	Brent, Camden	0.000000	39	Kensington and Chelsea, Hammersmith and Fulham
0	Brent, Ealing	0.125000	40	Kingston upon Thames
11	Brent, Ealing, Harrow	0.000000	41	Lambeth
2	Brent, Harrow	0.000000	42	Lambeth, Southwark
3	Bromley	0.000000	43	Lambeth, Wandsworth
4	Camden	0.002488	44	Lewisham
5	Camden, Islington	0.000000	45	Lewisham, Bromley
6	City	0.004255	46	Lewisham, Southwark
7	City, Westminster	0.000000	47	Merton
8	Croydon	0.000000	48	Newham
9	Ealing	0.000000	49	Redbridge
20	Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham	0.000000	50	Redbridge, Barking and Dagenham
21	Enfield	0.000000	51	Redbridge, Waltham Forest
2	Greenwich	0.028490	52	Richmond upon Thames
23	Greenwich, Lewisham	0.000000	53	Southwark
24	Hackney	0.001667	54	Sutton
25	Hammersmith and Fulham	0.012195	55	Sutton, Kingston upon Thames
26	Haringey	0.000000	56	Tower Hamlets
27	Haringey, Barnet	0.000000	57	Waltham Forest
18	Haringey, Islington	0.000000	58	Wandsworth
9	Harrow	0.000000	59	Westminster

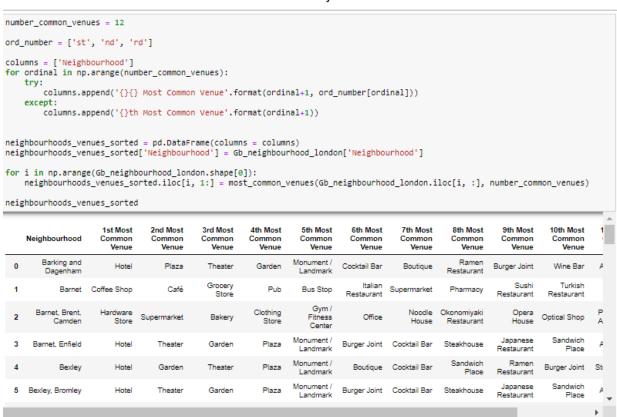
We can analysed more the data in order to obtain the best clustering so I find the most common venues of each neighbourhood and I look at if any Chinese Restaurant is among these common venues.

Finding the most common venues

```
def most_common_venues(row, num_top_venues):
    row_categories = row.iloc[1:]
    row_categories_sorted = row_categories.sort_values(ascending=False)
    return row_categories_sorted.index.values[0:num_top_venues]

import numpy as np
```

Decision of number of common venues due to there are many venues in order to evaluate



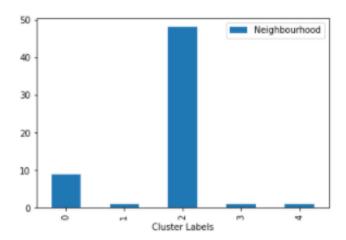
We can find 'Chinese Restaurant' in the most common venues of some neighbourhoods:

The following step of the methodology is a important step, k-means clustering algorithm identifies k number of centroids an then allocates every data point to the nearest cluster while keeping the centroids as small as possible. It is an unsupervised machine learning. I have decided clustering the neighbourhoods in London into 5 clusters based on their frequency of occurrence for 'Chinese Restaurant'.

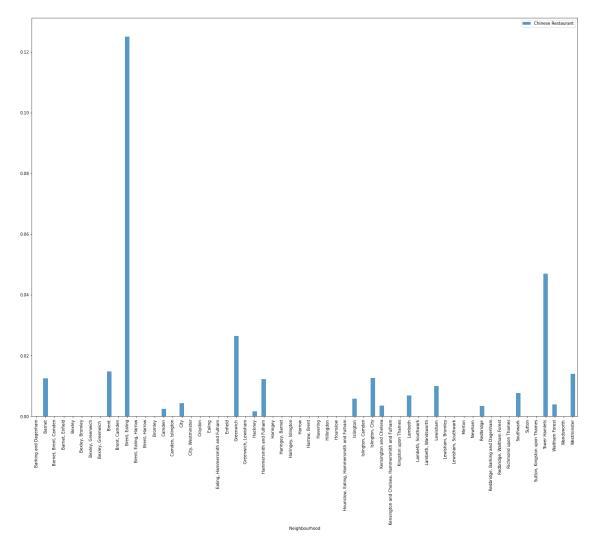
Neighbourhood	Chinese Restaurant	Cluster Labels				
Barking and Dagenham	0.000000	2	30	Harrow, Brent	0.000000	
Barnet	0.012461	0	31	Havering	0.000000	
Barnet, Brent, Camden	0.000000	2	32	Hillingdon	0.000000	
Barnet, Enfield	0.000000	2	33	Hounslow	0.000000	
Bexley	0.000000	2	34	Hounslow, Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham	0.000000	
Bexley, Bromley	0.000000	2	35	Islington	0.005764	
Bexley, Greenwich	0.000000	2	36	Islington, Camden	0.000000	
Bexley, Greenwich	0.000000	2	37	Islington, City	0.012658	
Brent	0.014831	0	38	Kensington and Chelsea	0.003527	
Brent, Camden	0.000000	2	39 H	Kensington and Chelsea, Hammersmith and Fulham	0.000000	
Brent, Ealing	0.125000	1	40	Kingston upon Thames	0.000000	
Brent, Ealing, Harrow	0.000000	2	41	Lambeth	0.006873	
Brent, Harrow	0.000000	2	42	Lambeth, Southwark	0.000000	
Bromley	0.000000	2	43	Lambeth, Wandsworth	0.000000	
Camden	0.002488	2	44	Lewisham	0.010000	
Camden, Islington	0.000000	2	45	Lewisham, Bromley	0.000000	
City	0.004255	2	46	Lewisham, Southwark	0.000000	
City, Westminster	0.000000	2	47	Merton	0.000000	
Croydon	0.000000	2	48	Newham	0.000000	
Ealing	0.000000	2	49	Redbridge	0.003413	
Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham	0.000000	2	50	Redbridge, Barking and Dagenham	0.000000	
Enfield	0.000000	2	51	Redbridge, Waltham Forest	0.000000	
Greenwich	0.026490	4	52	Richmond upon Thames	0.000000	
Greenwich, Lewisham	0.000000	2	53	Southwark	0.007619	
Hackney	0.001667	2	54	Sutton	0.000000	
Hammersmith and Fulham	0.012195	0	55	Sutton, Kingston upon Thames	0.000000	
Haringey	0.000000	2	56	Tower Hamlets	0.046908	
Haringey, Barnet	0.000000	2	57	Waltham Forest	0.003891	
Haringey, Islington	0.000000	2	58	Wandsworth	0.000000	
Harrow	0.000000	2	59	Westminster	0.014013	

5. Results

- Number of neighbourhoods in each cluster.



- Hot encoding graphic



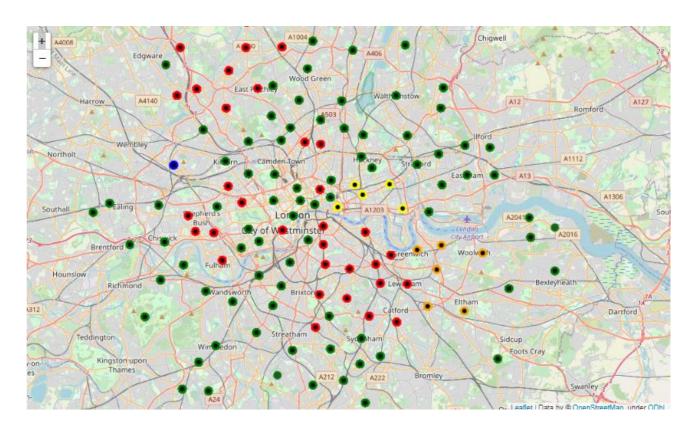
- Data frame merged with all data frames obtained.

	Neighbourhood	Chinese Restaurant	Cluster Labels	Neighbourhood Latitude	Neighbourhood Longitude	Venue	Venue Category
59	Westminster	0.014013	0	51.49713	-0.13829	Loco Mexicano	Mexican Restaurant
35	Islington	0.005764	0	51.56393	-0.12945	Starbucks	Coffee Shop
35	Islington	0.005764	0	51.56393	-0.12945	Costa Coffee	Coffee Shop
35	Islington	0.005764	0	51.56393	-0.12945	Il Mio Mosaic	Italian Restaurant
35	Islington	0.005764	0	51.56393	-0.12945	The Landseer	Pub

22	Greenwich	0.026490	4	51.48454	0.00275	Star Express	Café
22	Greenwich	0.026490	4	51.48454	0.00275	Gurkha's Inn	Indian Restaurant
22	Greenwich	0.026490	4	51.48454	0.00275	Co-op Food	Grocery Store
22	Greenwich	0.026490	4	51.48454	0.00275	Tyler Street Bus Stop	Bus Stop
22	Greenwich	0.026490	4	51.48454	0.00275	Maze Hill Railway Station (MZH)	Train Station

21560 rows × 7 columns

- Cluster London map



*Cluster 1 Neighbourhoods with <u>few Chinese restaurants</u> in London

- *Cluster 2 Neighbourhoods whit the greatest number of Chinese restaurants in London
- *Cluster 3 Neighbourhoods with <u>0 or low number of Chinese restaurants</u> in London
- *Cluster 4 Neighbourhoods with <u>high number of Chinese restaurants</u> in London
- *Cluster 5 Neighbourhoods with <u>considerable number of Chinese restaurants</u> in London

Cluster 1 (Red)

london_chinese_rest_cluster_0 = final_merged.loc[(final_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 0) & (final_merged['Venue Category'] == 'Chin
london_chinese_rest_cluster_0.drop_duplicates()

	Neighbourhood	Chinese Restaurant	Cluster Labels	Neighbourhood Latitude	Neighbourhood Longitude	Venue	Venue Category
35	Islington	0.005764	0	51.52361	-0.09877	New East House	Chinese Restaurant
8	Brent	0.014831	0	51.53938	-0.25205	Good Taste	Chinese Restaurant
53	Southwark	0.007619	0	51.47480	-0.09313	Tasty House	Chinese Restaurant
53	Southwark	0.007619	0	51.47480	-0.09313	Lamoon	Chinese Restaurant
25	Hammersmith and Fulham	0.012195	0	51.53938	-0.25205	Good Taste	Chinese Restaurant
25	Hammersmith and Fulham	0.012195	0	51.47772	-0.20145	Royal China	Chinese Restaurant
44	Lewisham	0.010000	0	51.46268	-0.03558	Bamboo Garden	Chinese Restaurant
25	Hammersmith and Fulham	0.012195	0	51.49617	-0.22935	Steam Restaurant	Chinese Restaurant
41	Lambeth	0.006873	0	51.47480	-0.09313	Lamoon	Chinese Restaurant
41	Lambeth	0.006873	0	51.47480	-0.09313	Tasty House	Chinese Restaurant
37	Islington, City	0.012658	0	51.52361	-0.09877	New East House	Chinese Restaurant
44	Lewisham	0.010000	0	51.47489	-0.04038	Yao Kee	Chinese Restaurant
59	Westminster	0.014013	0	51.49713	-0.13829	A Wong	Chinese Restaurant
59	Westminster	0.014013	0	51.49713	-0.13829	Dragon Inn Club	Chinese Restaurant
59	Westminster	0.014013	0	51.51651	-0.11968	Kam Fung	Chinese Restaurant
59	Westminster	0.014013	0	51.51651	-0.11968	Canton Element	Chinese Restaurant
59	Westminster	0.014013	0	51.52587	-0.19526	Mayflower	Chinese Restaurant
59	Westminster	0.014013	0	51.52587	-0.19526	Gourmet Oriental	Chinese Restaurant
1	Barnet	0.012461	0	51.61568	-0.24511	The Good Earth	Chinese Restaurant
1	Barnet	0.012461	0	51.58918	-0.22805	Jun Peking Chinese Restaurant - 皇 上皇	Chinese Restaurant
1	Barnet	0.012461	0	51.60104	-0.19401	Man Chui	Chinese Restaurant

Cluster 2 (Blue)

london_chinese_rest_cluster_1 = final_merged.loc[(final_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 1) & (final_merged['Venue Category'] == 'Chir
london_chinese_rest_cluster_1.drop_duplicates()

	Neighbourhood	Chinese Restaurant	Cluster Labels	Neighbourhood Latitude	Neighbourhood Longitude	Venue	Venue Category
10	Brent, Ealing	0.125	1	51.53938	-0.25205	Good Taste	Chinese Restaurant

Cluster 3 (Green)

london_chinese_rest_cluster_2 = final_merged.loc[(final_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 2) & (final_merged['Venue Category'] == 'Chir
london_chinese_rest_cluster_2.drop_duplicates()

Venue Category	Venue	Neighbourhood Longitude	Neighbourhood Latitude	Cluster Labels	Chinese Restaurant	Neighbourhood	
Chinese Restaurant	New Culture Revolution, SW3	-0.18144	51.48563	2	0.003527	Kensington and Chelsea	38
Chinese Restaurant	Fortune House Chinese Takeaways	-0.00733	51.55885	2	0.003891	Waltham Forest	57
Chinese Restaurant	Wing Sing	0.03052	51.58977	2	0.003413	Redbridge	49
Chinese Restaurant	Yauatcha	-0.08815	51.51841	2	0.004255	City	16
Chinese Restaurant	Canton Element	-0.11968	51.51651	2	0.002488	Camden	14
Chinese Restaurant	Kam Fung	-0.11968	51.51651	2	0.002488	Camden	14
Chinese Restaurant	Fortune House Chinese Takeaways	-0.00733	51.55885	2	0.001667	Hackney	24

Cluster 4 (Yellow)

london_chinese_rest_cluster_3 = final_merged.loc[(final_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 3) & (final_merged['Venue Category'] == 'Chin
london_chinese_rest_cluster_3.drop_duplicates()

	Neighbourhood	Chinese Restaurant	Cluster Labels	Neighbourhood Latitude	Neighbourhood Longitude	Venue	Venue Category
56	Tower Hamlets	0.046908	3	51.51122	-0.01264	Sichuan Kitchen	Chinese Restaurant
56	Tower Hamlets	0.046908	3	51.52022	-0.05431	Sinh Le	Chinese Restaurant
56	Tower Hamlets	0.046908	3	51.52022	-0.05431	Tian Tian	Chinese Restaurant

Cluster 5 (Orange)

london_chinese_rest_cluster_4 = final_merged.loc[(final_merged['Cluster Labels'] == 4) & (final_merged['Venue Category'] == 'Chin
london_chinese_rest_cluster_4.drop_duplicates()

		Neighbourhood	Chinese Restaurant	Cluster Labels	Neighbourhood Latitude	Neighbourhood Longitude	Venue	Venue Category
2	22	Greenwich	0.02649	4	51.48747	0.02795	Dragon & Phoenix	Chinese Restaurant
2	22	Greenwich	0.02649	4	51.48207	0.07143	Capital Noodle Bar	Chinese Restaurant

6. Discussion

In the cluster 2 that is the neighbourhood with the highest number of Chinese restaurants in London we can observe that a Chinese restaurant is the 5th most common venue to be visited in the neighbourhood.

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A Chinese Restaurant is the 5 th Most Common Venue in 
10 Brent, Ealing
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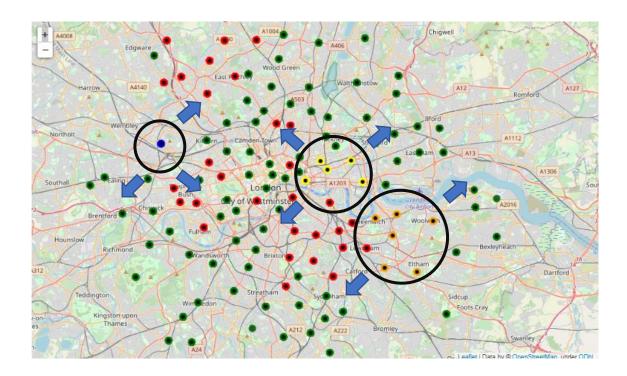
In the cluster 4 that is the neighbourhood with the highest number of Chinese restaurant in London we can observe that a Chinese restaurant is the 3rd most common venue to be visited in the neighbourhood.

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A Chinese Restaurant is the 3 rd Most Common Venue in 56 Tower Hamlets
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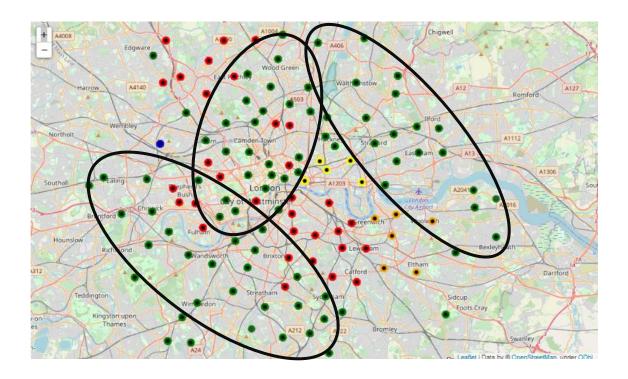
This information confirms the success of Chinese restaurant in these areas so this information can be very useful for tourists that are looking for a Chinese restaurants for his trip.

Evaluating the results of the clustering neighbourhoods in London depending on the number of Chinese restaurants in each neighbourhood we can observed that it exists a zone at southeast of London with two clusters that they having a high quantity of Chinese Restaurants (Cluster 4 and 5) and in the west of city there is the neighbourhood with the greatest number of Chinese restaurants.

The neighbourhoods near this neighbourhood (Brent (Ealing), Tower Hamlets and Greenwich) could be good opportunities to open a new Chinese restaurant.



If we carefully observe the London map with the colour clusters, we can explain another insight for someone that wants to open a new restaurant in London. There are three big zones which belong to the cluster number 3 where the number of Chinese restaurants is low or none.



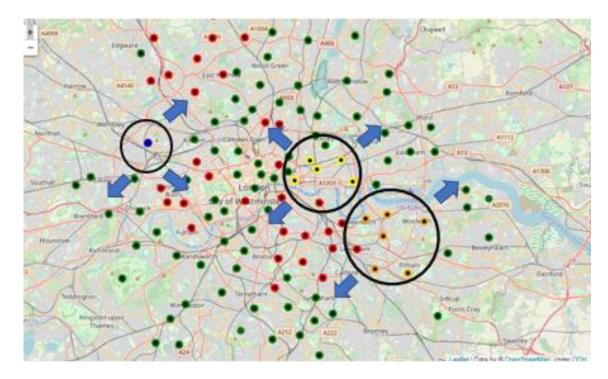
7. Conclusion

After evaluating the results, we can conclude:

- The most number of Chinese restaurants are shared in the center of London.
- The result map of London is useful to use by a tourist that want eat in a Chinese restaurant.

 There are three zones in London with a high number of Chinese restaurants Brent (Ealing),

 Tower Hamlets and Greenwich.
- For a person who want to open a new Chinese restaurant he have to consider two branches:
 - Open a new restaurant near to Brent (Ealing), Tower Hamlets and Greenwich. Due
 to the success of Chinese restaurants in these neighbourhoods a new restaurant can
 attract a lot of people.



2. If a fast-food chain want to open some Chinese restaurants it could be interested in the other model that is the following: Open restaurants where the number of restaurants are low or zero (cluster 3). People who lived here or tourist who have been accommodated on these zones will be the people interested in new Chinese restaurants in these zones.

