

# APPLIED DATA SCIENCE CAPSTONE PROJECT

FINDING THE BEST  
NEIGHBORHOOD TO LIVE

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# INTRODUCTION

- WHEN LIVING IN A METROPOLIS, THERE ARE OFTEN A LOT OF JOB OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE BUT CHANGING EMPLOYER CAN ALSO REQUIRE YOU TO CHANGE OF HOME.
- SEVERAL FRIENDS OF MINE WILL CHANGE OF EMPLOYER AND APARTMENT IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS.
- FINDING THE BEST PLACE TO LIVE REQUIRES TO ANALYZE MULTIPLE FACTORS AND THOUSANDS OF DATA POINTS.



# BUSINESS PROBLEM

- THE PURPOSE OF THIS WORK IS TO FIND THE OPTIMUM NEIGHBORHOOD TO LIVE IN THE CITY OF PARIS.
  - EVERY PERSON HAS DIFFERENT TASTES AND DIFFERENT NEEDS THAT HAVE TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT TO DETERMINE THE PLACE THAT WOULD FIT THEM THE BEST.
  - A PERSON HAS TO TRAVEL A LOT BETWEEN THEIR HOME AND THEIR WORKPLACE. TRAVEL TIME IMPACTS A LOT ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND HAPPINESS.
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# DATA

- ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS IN PARIS:

[HTTPS://OPENDATA.PARIS.FR/EXPLORE/DATASET/QUARTIER PARIS/INFORMATION/](https://opendata.paris.fr/explore/dataset/quartier_paris/information/)

- VENUES IN PARIS:

[HTTPS://DEVELOPER.FOURSQUARE.COM/](https://developer.foursquare.com/)

- TRAVEL TIMES FROM A TO B IN PARIS:

[HTTPS://CITYMAPPER.COM/TOOLS/905/TRAVEL-TIME](https://citymapper.com/tools/905/travel-time)

# METHODOLOGY

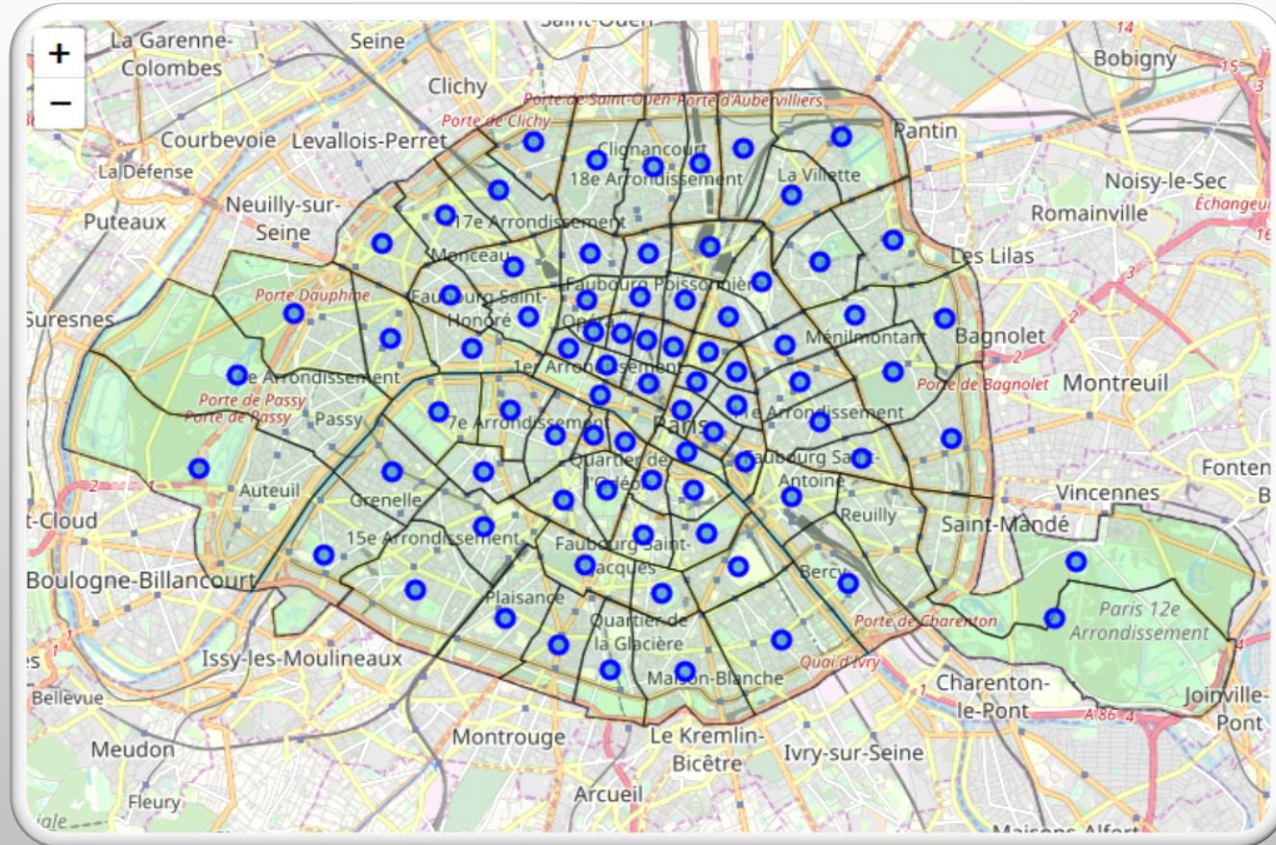
OUR SUBJECT IN THIS PROJECT IS JEAN-PHILIPPE. HE WORKS DOWNTOWN PARIS, LIKES PLAYING TENNIS, EATING CHINESE FOOD AND GOING TO THE MOVIE THEATRE.

CONSIDERING THE CONTRIBUTION OF DIFFERENT FACTORS TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE, THE FOLLOWING SCORE HAS BEEN DEFINED:

*FinalScore*

$$= 0.4 * TravelScore + 0.3 * SportScore + 0.1 * RestaurantScore + 0.2 * CultureScore$$

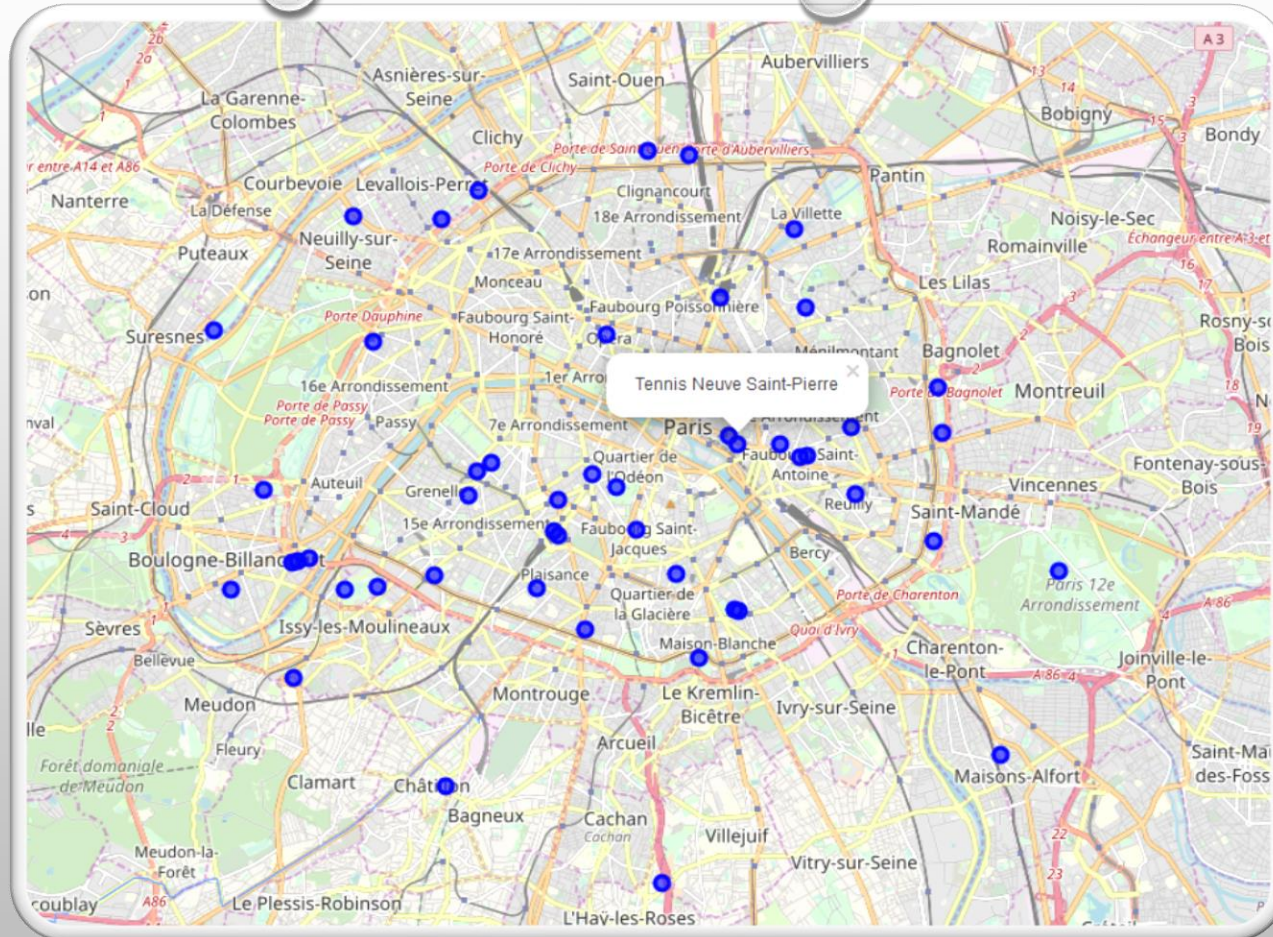




# DATA EXPLORATION

THERE ARE 80  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
NEIGHBORHOODS IN PARIS.





# DATA EXPLORATION

FOURSQUARE CAN HELP US  
FIND THE TENNIS COURTS  
INSIDE THE CITY

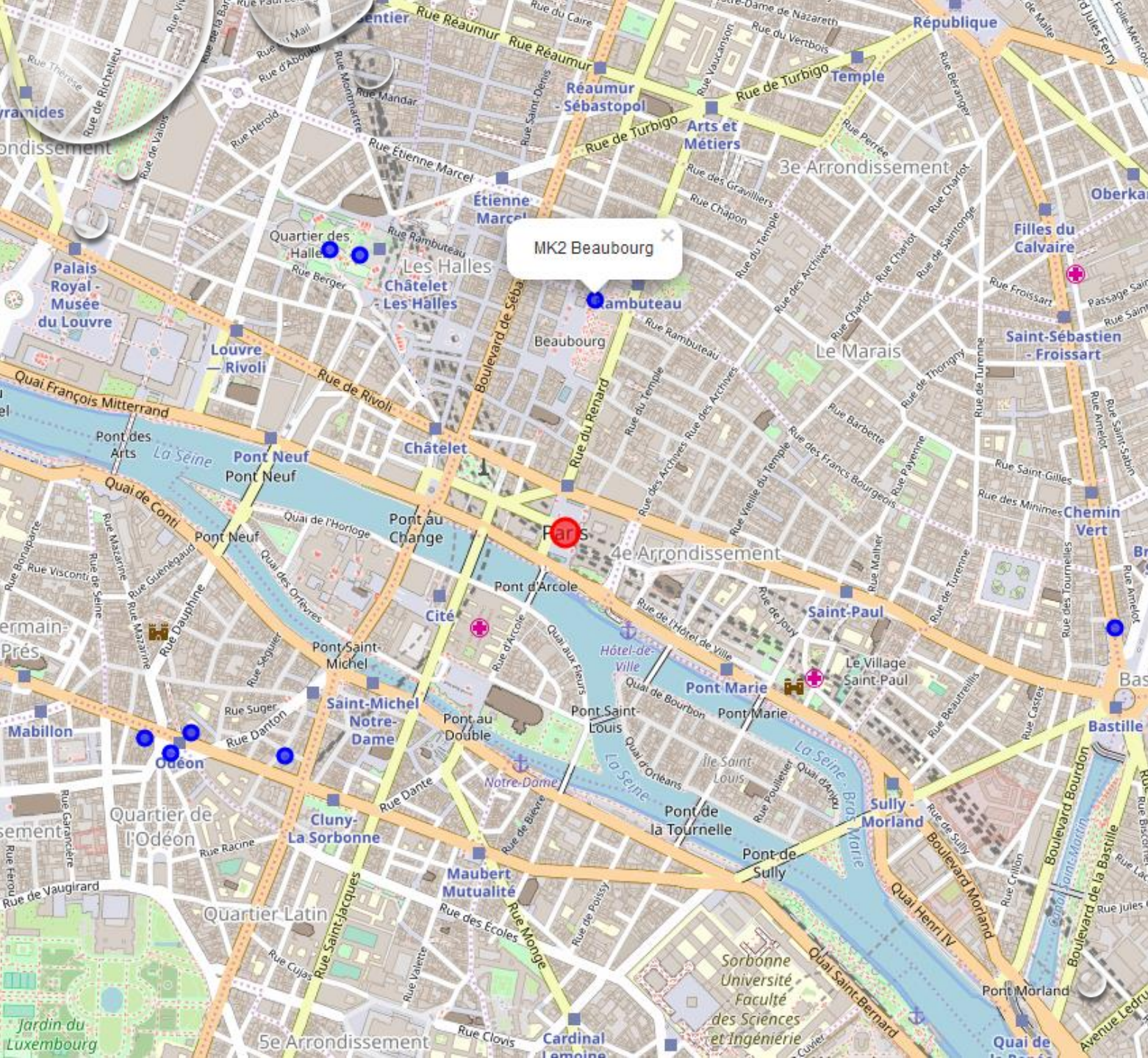


	name	categories	address	cc	city	country	crossStreet	distance	formattedAddress	labeledLatLngs	lat	lng	neighborhood	postalCode	state	id	rating
2	Trois Fois plus de Piment	Chinese Restaurant	Rue Saint-Martin 184	FR	Paris	France	Rue aux Ours	691	[Rue Saint-Martin 184 (Rue aux Ours), 75003 Pa...	[['label': 'display', 'lat': 48.8628, 'lng': 2...	48.862800	2.352370	NaN	75003	Île-de-France	560d03b5498eaea729b6bf10	9.1
1	Raviolis Chinois Nord-Est	Chinese Restaurant	115 rue Saint-Denis	FR	Paris	France	NaN	707	[115 rue Saint-Denis, 75001 Paris, France]	[['label': 'display', 'lat': 48.86284447210104...	48.862844	2.349621	NaN	75001	Île-de-France	557f14fc498e61a8a94c720f	8.8
4	Chez Shen	Chinese Restaurant	39 rue au Maire	FR	Paris	France	NaN	964	[39 rue au Maire, 75003 Paris, France]	[['label': 'display', 'lat': 48.86485050214374...	48.864851	2.355559	NaN	75003	Île-de-France	4b3f52dbf964a52094a525e3	8.7
3	Boutique yam'Tcha	Chinese Restaurant	4 rue Sauval	FR	Paris	France	NaN	876	[4 rue Sauval, 75001 Paris, France]	[['label': 'display', 'lat': 48.8617098431057,...	48.861710	2.342380	NaN	75001	Île-de-France	548884fc498e7a7ca55edf84	8.6
5	Chez Vong	Chinese Restaurant	10 rue de la Grande-Truanderie	FR	Paris	France	NaN	707	[10 rue de la Grande-Truanderie, 75001 Paris, ...	[['label': 'display', 'lat': 48.86281389498094...	48.862814	2.349376	NaN	75001	Île-de-France	4adcda11f964a520e73521e3	7.8

# DATA EXPLORATION

FOURSQUARE CAN HELP US FIND THE NEARBY CHINESE RESTAURANTS AND THEIR RATINGS






# DATA EXPLORATION

FOURSQUARE CAN HELP US FIND  
WHERE ARE THE NEARBY MOVIE  
THEATRES



	numero_quartier	arrondissement	quartier	latitude	longitude	coordonees_centre	travel_time
0	1	1	St-Germain-l'Auxerrois	48.860650	2.334910	[48.8606501352, 2.3349103293]	12
1	2	1	Halles	48.862289	2.344899	[48.8622891081, 2.3448988583]	12
10	11	3	Archives	48.859192	2.363205	[48.8591924127, 2.3632050573]	21
11	12	3	Sainte-Avoie	48.862557	2.354852	[48.862557245, 2.3548515182]	11
12	13	4	Saint-Merri	48.858521	2.351667	[48.8585213723, 2.3516669671]	13
13	14	4	Saint-Gervais	48.855719	2.358162	[48.8557186509, 2.3581623339]	17
14	15	4	Arsenal	48.851585	2.364768	[48.851585175, 2.3647679539]	21
15	16	4	Notre-Dame	48.852896	2.352775	[48.8528955862, 2.3527750121]	19
16	17	5	Saint-Victor	48.847664	2.354093	[48.8476636355, 2.3540931534]	25
17	18	5	Jardin-des-Plantes	48.841940	2.356894	[48.8419401934, 2.3568938896000002]	29
18	19	5	Val-de-Grace	48.841684	2.343861	[48.841684288, 2.3438609263]	25
19	20	5	Sorbonne	48.849045	2.345747	[48.8490447659, 2.3457466002]	23
2	3	1	Palais-Royal	48.864660	2.336309	[48.8646599781, 2.336308919]	9
20	21	6	Monnaie	48.854384	2.340035	[48.8543844036, 2.3400353711]	21
21	22	6	Odeon	48.847801	2.336339	[48.847800629299996, 2.3363388276]	26
22	23	6	Notre-Dame-des-Champs	48.846428	2.327357	[48.846427594, 2.3273568782]	19
23	24	6	Saint-Germain-des-Prés	48.855289	2.333657	[48.85528872, 2.3336568681]	18
24	25	7	Saint-Thomas-d'Aquin	48.855263	2.325588	[48.8552632694, 2.3255876526]	17
25	26	7	Invalides	48.858515	2.316445	[48.8585149661, 2.3164447403]	20
26	27	7	Ecole-Militaire	48.850359	2.311031	[48.8503592615, 2.3110309363]	27

# DATA EXPLORATION

CITYMAPPER WILL CALCULATE  
TRAVEL TIMES FOR US

$$cultureScore = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if there is a movie theatre with distance} \leq 1000 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

	quartier	numero_quartier	movie_score
0	St-Germain-l'Auxerrois	1	1
1	Halles	2	1
2	Palais-Royal	3	1
3	Place-Vendôme	4	1
4	Gaillon	5	1

$$restaurantScore = \frac{1}{3} \left( \max \sum_{i=1}^N restaurantRating \right)$$

	quartier	numero_quartier	food_score
0	St-Germain-l'Auxerrois	1	0.83
1	Halles	2	0.89
2	Palais-Royal	3	0.85
3	Place-Vendôme	4	0.78
4	Gaillon	5	0.80

# DETERMINE THE OPTIMUM NEIGHBORHOOD

CALCULATING SCORES

$$sportScore = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if distance} \leq 1000 \\ 1 - \frac{distance - 1000}{1500} & \text{if } 1000 \leq \text{distance} \leq 2000 \\ 0 & \text{if distance} \geq 2500 \end{cases}$$

	quartier	numero_quartier	sport_score
0	St-Germain-l'Auxerrois	1	0.66
1	Halles	2	0.42
2	Palais-Royal	3	0.36
3	Place-Vendôme	4	0.16
4	Gaillon	5	0.02



$$travelScore = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } travelTime \leq 20mn \\ 1,5 - travelTime/40 & \text{if } travelTime > 20mn \end{cases}$$

	quartier	numero_quartier	travel_score
75	Combat	76	0.8
76	Belleville	77	0.875
77	Saint-Fargeau	78	0.9
78	Père-Lachaise	79	1
79	Charonne	80	0.775

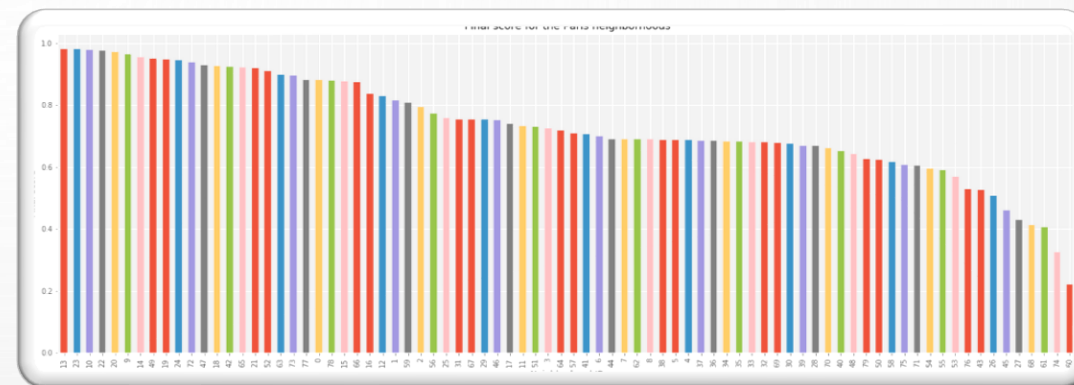
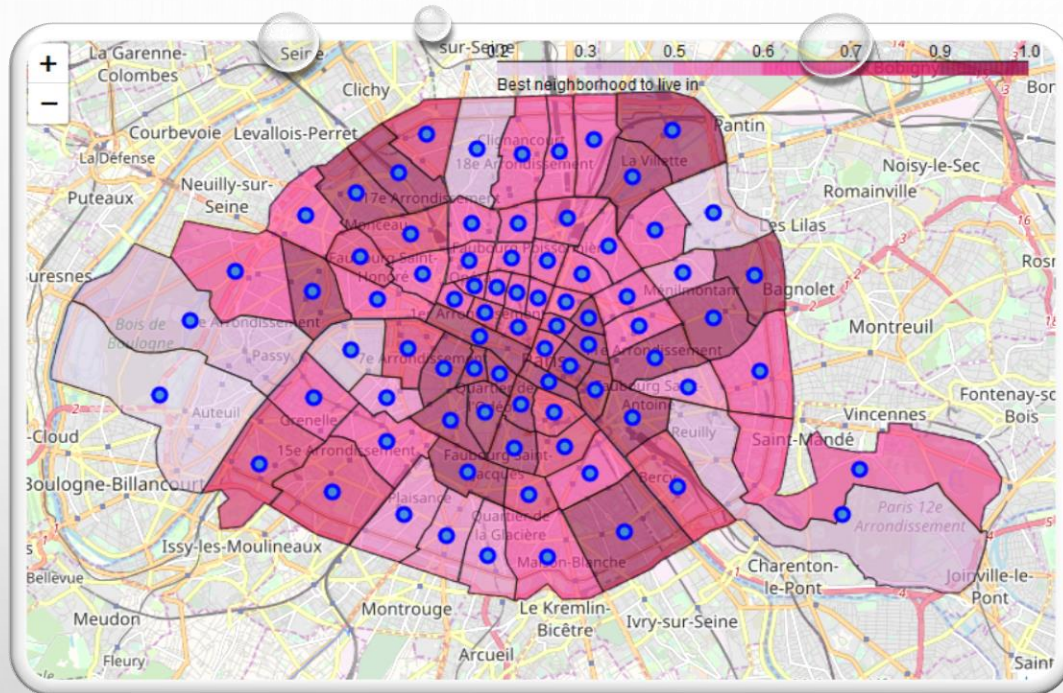
$$\begin{cases} \alpha_1 = 0.4 & \text{the coefficient for the travel score} \\ \alpha_2 = 0.3 & \text{the coefficient for the sport score} \\ \alpha_3 = 0.1 & \text{the coefficient for the restaurant score} \\ \alpha_5 = 0.2 & \text{the coefficient for the culture score} \end{cases}$$

$$neighborhoodScore = \alpha_1 * travelScore + \alpha_2 * sportScore + \alpha_3 * restaurantScore + \alpha_4 * cultureScore$$

CALCULATING SCORES

DETERMINE THE  
OPTIMUM  
NEIGHBORHOOD

	quartier	numero_quartier	arrondissement	travel_score	sport_score	food_score	movie_score	final_score
23	Saint-Germain-des-Prés	24	6	1	1	0.81	1	0.981
13	Saint-Gervais	14	4	1	1	0.81	1	0.981
10	Archives	11	3	0.975	1	0.88	1	0.978
22	Notre-Dame-des-Champs	23	6	1	1	0.76	1	0.976
20	Monnaie	21	6	0.975	1	0.82	1	0.972
9	Enfants-Rouges	10	3	1	0.92	0.89	1	0.965
14	Arsenal	15	4	0.975	1	0.64	1	0.954
49	Gare	50	13	0.925	1	0.80	1	0.95
19	Sorbonne	20	5	0.925	1	0.77	1	0.947
24	Saint-Thomas-d'Aquin	25	7	1	0.92	0.70	1	0.946



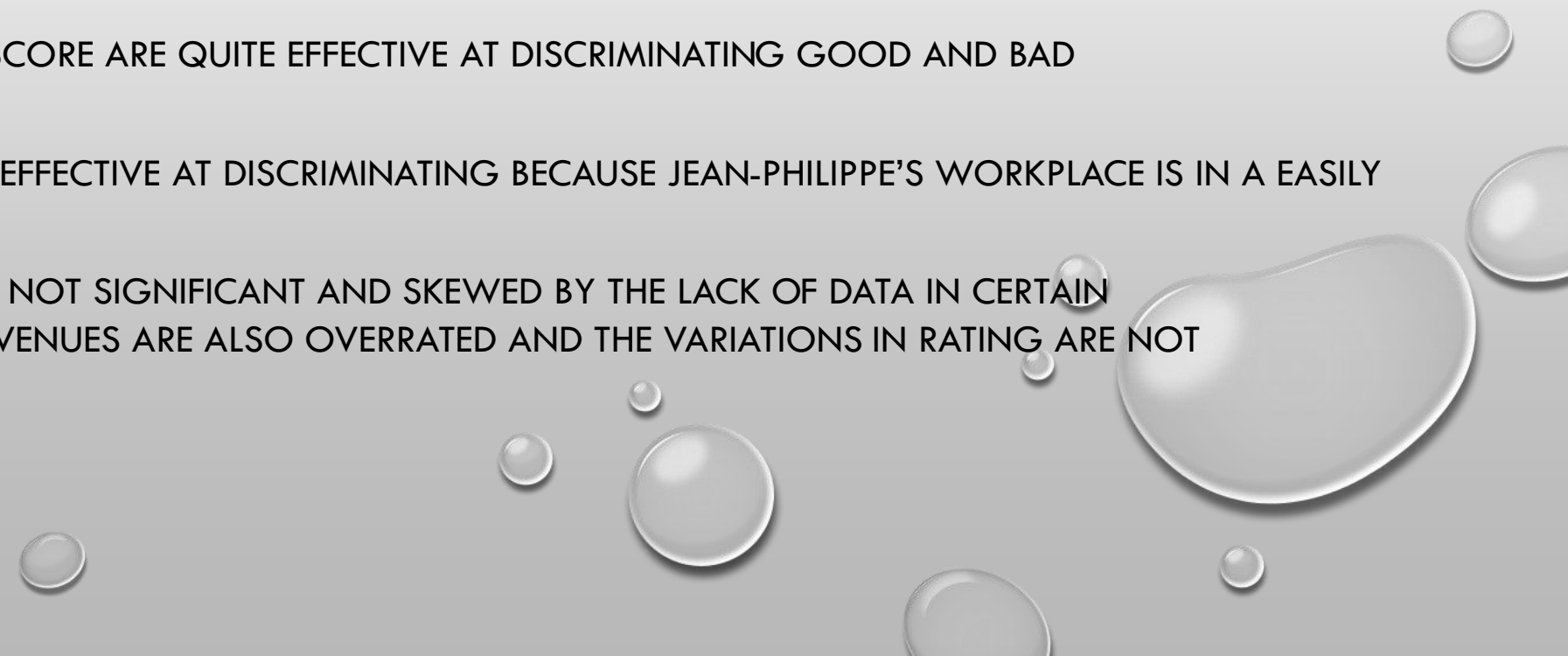
# DETERMINE THE OPTIMUM NEIGHBORHOOD

## CALCULATING SCORES



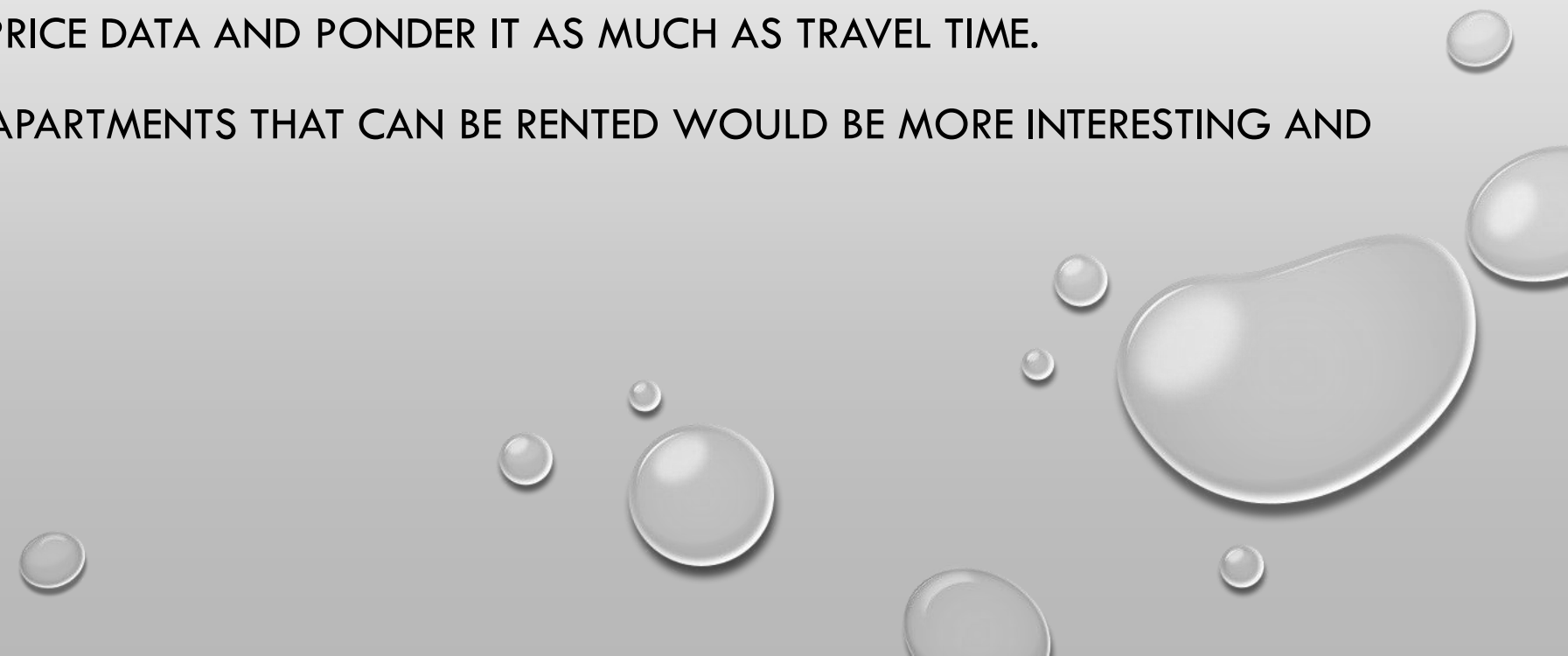


# RESULTS

- 30 NEIGHBORHOODS WITH A RATING ABOVE 0.8 AND 8 WITH A RATING ABOVE 0.95
  - THE TOP SCORES ARE PRETTY CLOSE AND THE RESTAURANT SCORE IS THE ONLY DIFFERENTIATING FACTOR BETWEEN THOSE WELL-RANKED NEIGHBORHOODS
  - THE CULTURE AND SPORT SCORE ARE QUITE EFFECTIVE AT DISCRIMINATING GOOD AND BAD NEIGHBORHOODS.
  - THE TRAVEL SCORE IS NOT EFFECTIVE AT DISCRIMINATING BECAUSE JEAN-PHILIPPE'S WORKPLACE IS IN A EASILY ACCESSIBLE LOCATION
  - THE RESTAURANT SCORE IS NOT SIGNIFICANT AND SKEWED BY THE LACK OF DATA IN CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOODS. MOST VENUES ARE ALSO OVERRATED AND THE VARIATIONS IN RATING ARE NOT MEANINGFUL.
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# DISCUSSIONS

- THE RESTAURANT SCORE FORMULA NEEDS TO BE OVERHAULED.
  - SOME EXTRA DATA WOULD BE GREAT TO BRING A MEANINGFUL DIFFERENTIATION. IDEALLY WE COULD USE RENT PRICE DATA AND PONDER IT AS MUCH AS TRAVEL TIME.
  - USING LOCATION OF APARTMENTS THAT CAN BE RENTED WOULD BE MORE INTERESTING AND MORE ACTIONABLE.
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A panoramic view of the Paris skyline, featuring the Eiffel Tower prominently on the right. The city's dense architecture and the dome of Les Invalides are visible in the foreground. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds. Numerous translucent, 3D-rendered bubbles of various sizes are scattered across the image, particularly in the upper half, giving it a digital or data-themed appearance.

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