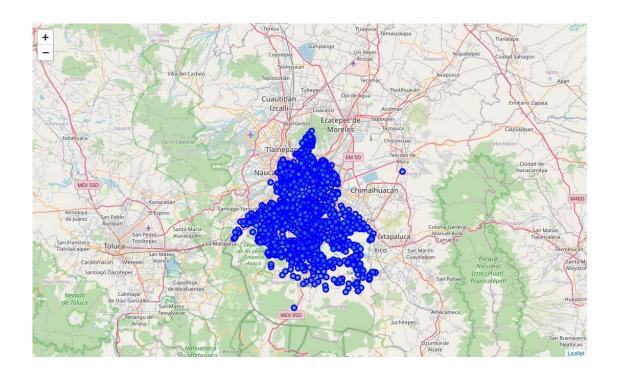
Finding feasible locations to open a sea food restaurant in Miguel Hidalgo borough in Mexico City

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Business Problem

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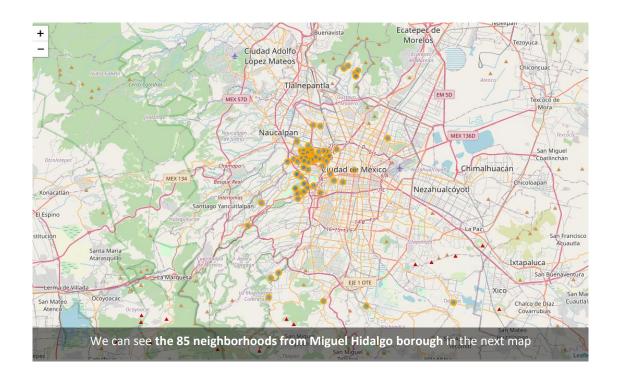
 Mexico City zone is considered one of the most multicultural places in Latino America. You may find people from diverse nationalities that make business, study, or go for vacations. Restaurants in Mexico City are full of competitors that offer different types of food and are usually concentrated in specific neighborhoods, especially those where Business offices from multinational companies are settled.



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Business Problem

• Sea food* is one of the most attractive types of food that customer looks for in Miguel Hidalgo Borough. This data science project looks to provide information to franchises or entrepreneurs looking to understand how the different types of restaurants are distributed in Miguel Hidalgo borough neighborhoods. The research will allow to get different clusters that allow us to identify the most common venues in the borough and we expect to identify if there are neighborhoods where sea food and different types of restaurants are located.



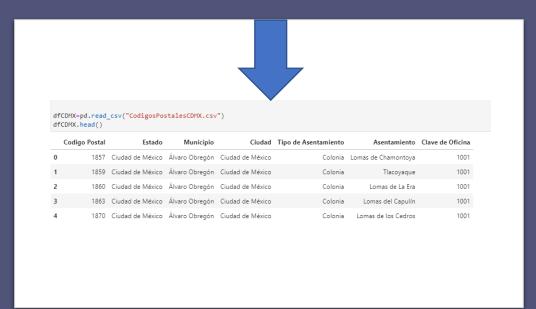
Data Source

• Data Source: We will use the data from Mexican Postal service to get the Postal codes, boroughs, and neighborhoods in Mexico City. The data are in a CSV file that was loaded to Jupiter lab. This file required data wrangling tasks that we did by dropping data without information or dropping those rows with duplicated information.

We installed **Geocoder** to get the latitudes and longitudes in our notebook in **Jupyter Lab.**

Once we had the latitudes and longitudes for each neighborhood, we created a *dataframe* that was converted into a **CSV file**

| [83]: | | PostalCode | Borough | Type of Neighborhood | Neighborhood | Latitude | Longitude |
|-------|---|------------|----------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| | 0 | 1857 | Álvaro Obregón | Colonia | Lomas de Chamontoya | 19.32585 | -99.25724 |
| | 1 | 1859 | Álvaro Obregón | Colonia | Tlacoyaque | 19.31489 | -99.27014 |
| | 2 | 1860 | Álvaro Obregón | Colonia | Lomas de La Era | 19.32225 | -99.26505 |
| | 3 | 1863 | Álvaro Obregón | Colonia | Lomas del Capulín | 19.31747 | -99.26494 |
| | 4 | 1870 | Álvaro Obregón | Colonia | Lomas de los Cedros | 19.30533 | -99.27068 |



Exploratory Analysis

- Identification of neighborhoods and venues in Mexico City
- As we discussed before, we create a file with the boroughs, neighborhoods, latitudes, and longitudes in Mexico City. Since we have this data, we create a table that allow us to identify thar we have 16 boroughs and 1367 neighborhoods in Mexico City.

| | PostalCode | Borough | Neighborhood | Latitude | Longitude |
|--------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| count | 1515.000000 | 1515 | 1515 | 1515.000000 | 1515.000000 |
| unique | NaN | 16 | 1367 | NaN | NaN |
| top | NaN | Álvaro Obregón | San Miguel | NaN | NaN |
| freq | NaN | 222 | 8 | NaN | NaN |
| mean | 8543.928053 | NaN | NaN | 19.376632 | -99.150321 |
| std | 4909.859519 | NaN | NaN | 0.355640 | 0.500013 |
| min | 1000.000000 | NaN | NaN | 16.286210 | -116.635340 |
| 25% | 4260.000000 | NaN | NaN | 19.306595 | -99.200615 |
| 50% | 8910.000000 | NaN | NaN | 19.364240 | -99.143810 |
| 75% | 13099.500000 | NaN | NaN | 19.441475 | -99.101855 |
| max | 16900.000000 | NaN | NaN | 31.890930 | -93.096720 |

Exploratory Analysis

- Analysis of Miguel Hidalgo Neighborhoods:
- With the whole table we were able to define 253 categories of venues in the neighborhoods from the borough Miguel Hidalgo. One interesting insight we found in this table is that the Top category in one of the neighborhoods was Mexican restaurant.
- We created too a table to identify the Top 10 venues for each neighborhood. We showed a sample of such a table as well as a table with descriptive statistics. Once again we found that in the top od the 10 most common venues the Mexican Restaurant Category appear as the 1st and 2nd most common venue, followed by Café, Taco Place, Pharmacy, Burger Joint, Pizza Place, Ice Cream Shop and Bakery. So We clearly can state that Miguel Hidalgo Neighborhoods can be considered as a borough where food sector is quite relevant

| | Neighborhood | 1st Most Common Venue | 2nd Most Common Venue | 3rd Most Common Venue | 4th Most Common Venue | 5th Most Common Venue | 6th Most Common Venue | 7th Most Common Venue | 8th Most Common Venue | 9th Most Common Venue | 10th Most Common Venue |
|------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 0 | 10 de Abril | Convenience Store | Mexican Restaurant | Taco Place | Pharmacy | Food Truck | Burger Joint | Park | Pizza Place | Café | Sandwich Place |
| 1 | 16 de Septiembre | Fast Food Restaurant | Farmers Market | Health & Beauty Service | Pool | Lounge | Dry Cleaner | Yoga Studio | Electronics Store | Donut Shop | Drive-in Theater |
| 2 | 5 de Mayo | Mexican Restaurant | Taco Place | Burger Joint | Gym | Coffee Shop | Breakfast Spot | Dessert Shop | Snack Place | Food & Drink Shop | Metro Station |
| 3 | Agricultura | Restaurant | Breakfast Spot | Ice Cream Shop | Coffee Shop | Food Truck | Gym | Snack Place | Electronics Store | Mexican Restaurant | Burger Joint |
| 4 | Ahuehuetes Anáhuac | Taco Place | Mexican Restaurant | Convenience Store | Bakery | Breakfast Spot | Farmers Market | Bar | Coffee Shop | Shipping Store | Seafood Restaurant |
| migu | <pre>miguelh_venues_sorted.describe()</pre> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Neighborh | 1st Mo ood Comm Ven | on Comm | on Common | 4th Most Common Venue | 5th Most Common Venue | Common | 7th Most Common Venue | 8th Most Common Venue | 9th Most Common Venue | 10th Most Common Venue |
| cou | ınt | 85 | 85 | 85 85 | 85 | 85 | 85 | 85 | 85 | 85 | 85 |
| uniq | ue | 85 | 20 | 27 36 | 43 | 43 | 48 | 45 | 49 | 45 | 55 |
| t | op Amplia | ción Mexic 'opo Restaura | | | Taco Place | Pharmacy | Burger Joint | Pizza Place | Mexican Restaurant | Ice Cream Shop | Bakery |
| fr | eq | 1 | 27 | 17 7 | 10 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 |

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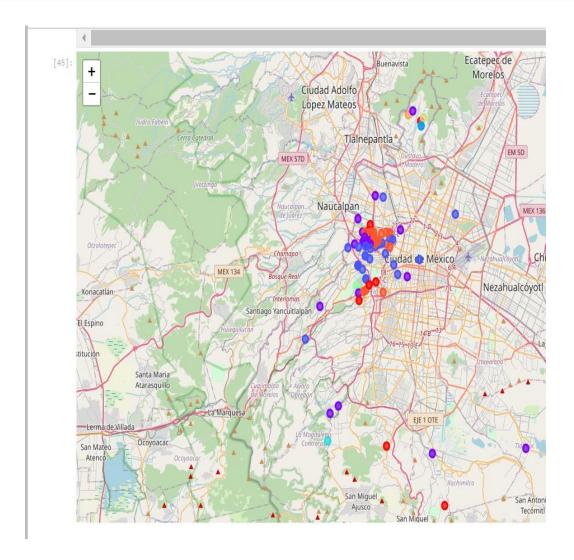


Foursquare API

| | Neighborhood | Neighborhood Latitude | Neighborhood Longitude | Venue | Venue Latitude | Venue Longitude | Venue Category |
|--------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| count | 2956 | 2956.000000 | 2956.00000 | 2956 | 2956.000000 | 2956.000000 | 2956 |
| unique | 85 | NaN | NaN | 1690 | NaN | NaN | 253 |
| top | Campo Militar 1 | NaN | NaN | Starbucks | NaN | NaN | Mexican Restaurant |

Machine Learning algorithm used

- Because we are looking to understand how the neighborhoods in Miguel Hidalgo borough can be grouped by clusters, we will use the K means machine learning algorithm.
- K-Means can group information/entities into **clusters** that have similarities and are dissimilar to the entities belonging to another cluster. The term 'K' refers to the number of clusters we want to create to our data. Given that we have 253 venues categories, we have defined K= 9.



Results

Cluster 1: 8 neighborhoods where the most common place where: Taco Place, Mexican Restaurant,

Cluster 2: 20 neighborhoods with Mexican Restaurant, Taco Place, Plaza, restaurant, caffe

Cluster 3: 28 neighborhoods with coffeeshops, **Seafood restaurants**, Tacos, ice creams, bakeries

Cluster 4: 2 neighborhoods with Farmers market, mountain, health and beauty services, pool, Falafel Restaurant, Eastern European restaurant

Cluster 5: 1 neighborhood with farm, creperie, pharmacies

Cluster 6: 2 neighborhoods with soccer fields, forests, **Seafood restaurant,** Casino, Yoga, Drive-in Theater Cluster 7: 1 neighborhood with snack place and shopping mall, sake bar, yoga

Cluster 8:1 neighborhood with Mountain, housing department, food court park, cycle studio

Cluster 9: 21 neighborhoods with Taco place, Mexican Restaurant, coffee shops, restaurants

Discussion

- We have 3 possible recommendations
- 1) **Seafood cluster:** A feasible option is to open the restaurant in the **cluster 3** where Seafood restaurants are the 2nd most common place. In 8 of the neighborhoods there are seafood restaurants, so there is a potential location in the neighborhoods of this cluster. People in business might call this cluster as *Red Ocean*, where a fierce competency by price, quality, differentiation happens day by day. Of course, this implies to have a differentiation business strategy to overcome the competitors in the cluster.
- 1) Mexican restaurants: The cluster 2 where most restaurants are Mexicans can be an opportunity to open a seafood restaurant, because there are only a few competitors with seafood, and it can represent and opportunity to find and to attract a potential market of customers who look for alternatives to Mexican food restaurants
- 1) Clusters without restaurants or minimal food vendors: This can be an interesting alternative given that Cluster 9 does not have Seafood as a common place in its neighborhoods, however there are Taco place, Mexican Restaurant, coffee shops, restaurants. People in business discipline might take this cluster as a *Blue Ocean*, but it does imply further research to find if there are potential consumers.

Conclusion



Our project provides important input that can be integrated into Market feasibility study for a Seafood restaurant.



Marketing specialists now can focus their market analysis on the clusters of neighborhoods recommended in our project for Miguel Hidalgo borough.



Market are population as well as socioeconomic lifestyle analysis can be integrated with the clusters data we defined and find clusters of potential customers that can provide yet more information.



Further research should be done to complete a whole feasibility study and having a possible location from this project is a key step to start with a clear focus and perspective of the food sector in Miguel Hidalgo borough.