

Google Places API

This code access place results from the Google Places API. The API can be queried using the Find Place Search, Nearby Search or Text Query Search. The results can be in xml or JSON format.

Note the user must have their own API key to initiate this code.

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In [18]:  ▶ import requests
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In [19]:  ▶ def format_findsearch(in_search):
    ''' Remove spaces from find place from text query search location
    and format for google places api url

    Parameter
    -----
    in_search: str
        address, name, or phone number of search location

    Return
    -----
    out: str
        formatted search location to be used for google places api url
    ...

    out = in_search.replace(" ", "")
    out = out.replace(" ", "%20")
    return out

def format_txtquerysearch(in_search):
    ''' Remove spaces from text query search location and format for google p

    Parameter
    -----
    in_search: str
        address, name, or phone number of search location

    Return
    -----
    out: str
        formatted search location to be used for google places api url
    ...

    out = in_search.replace(" ", "")
    out = out.replace(" ", "+")
    return out
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In [20]:  ▶ key = "" # your user api key
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In [21]:  ▶ base_url = "https://maps.googleapis.com/maps/api/place/"
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Enter the query type you want to perform in query__type as a string:

- findplacefromtext
- nearbysearch
- textsearch

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In [22]:  #type options: findplacefromtext, nearbysearch, or textsearch
query_type = "findplacefromtext"

#output options: xml or json
out_type = "json"
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In [23]:  if query_type == "findplacefromtext":
            inputtype = input("Enter one of the following for your input search type:
            in_search = input("Enter the full address, name, or phone number of your
            place = format_findsearch(inputtype)
            fields = "fields=photos,formatted_address,name,rating,opening_hours,geome
            url = f"{base_url}{query_type}/{out_type}?input={place}&inputtype={inputt

        elif query_type == "nearbysearch":
            loc_long = input("Enter the longitude of the place you want to search nea
            loc_lat = input("Enter the latitude of the place you want to search nearb
            location = f"{loc_long},{loc_lat}"
            radius = input("Enter your search radius. Note the units are in meters: "
            url = f"{base_url}{query_type}/{out_type}?location={location}&radius={rad

        elif query_type == "textsearch":
            query = input("Input the your search: ")
            query = format_txtquerysearch(query)
            url = f"{base_url}{query_type}/{out_type}?query={query}&key={key}"
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Enter one of the following for your input search type: 'textquery' or 'phon
 enumber': textquery
 Enter the full address, name, or phone number of your location of interest:
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In [24]:  print(url)

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tquery&inputtype=textquery&fields=photos,formatted_address,name,rating,open
ing_hours,geometry&key=AIzaSyCYPFFiQg2gvFhLwv17r9FEjJalSiqwNrM (https://map
s.googleapis.com/maps/api/place/findplacefromtext/json?input=textquery&inpu
ttype=textquery&fields=photos,formatted_address,name,rating,opening_hours,g
eometry&key=AIzaSyCYPFFiQg2gvFhLwv17r9FEjJalSiqwNrM)
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In [13]:  r = requests.get(url)
assert r.status_code is 200
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In [16]: ▶ *# Write file to specified output type. Out path is same as this jupyter notebook*
with open(f"{query_type}.{out_type}", "w") as file:
file.write(r.text)

In []: ▶