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Data Science Specialization

Capstone project - Final report

**Opening a New Coffee House in Ha Noi, VietNam**

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1. **Introduction:**

This report is for the final course of the Data Science Specialization. A 9-courses series created by IBM, hosted on Coursera platform. The problem and the analysis approach are left for the learner to decide, with a requirement of leveraging the Foursquare location data to explore or compare neighborhoods or cities of your choice or to come up with a problem that you can use the Foursquare location data to solve.

Hanoi is the capital and one of the five municipalities of Vietnam. Covering an area of 3,328.9 square kilometres (1,285 sq mi), it is the largest city in Vietnam by area. With an estimated population of 7.7 million as of 2018, it is the second largest city in Vietnam by population. The metropolitan area, encompassing nine additional neighbouring provinces, has an estimated population of 16 million. Located in the central area of the Red River Delta, Hanoi is the commercial, cultural, and educational centre of Northern Vietnam. Having an estimated nominal GDP of US$32.8 billion, it is the second most productive economic centre of Vietnam, following Ho Chi Minh City. *(*[*https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanoi*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanoi)*).*

With 7.7 million of population, the need of place for leisure is very high, especially coffee house. Of course, as with any business decision, opening new coffee house requires serious consideration, the location of the coffee house is one of the most important decisions that will determine wherether the coffee house will be success or failure.

1. **Business Problem:**

The objective of this final assignment is to analyse and select best locations Ha Noi to open new coffee house. I use data science methodology and machine learning technigues that have learned through 9 course in IBM Data Science Professional Certificate such as data collection, data cleaning, Foursquare location data, clustering to answere the business question: where to open new coffee how in Hanoi. Ofcourse, In the scope of capstone, I just mention some factors that effect the result. In order to launch this in real, we have to impove more. With this report, I show that I can use Python data science tools to solve bussiness problem.

1. **The target audience for this capstone project:**

The target audience for this report are:

* Developers and investors looking to open new coffee house in Ha Noi.
* And of course, to this course’s instructors and learners who will grade this project. Or to anyone who catch this shared on the social media showing that I can use Python data science tools.

1. **Data description:**

**To solve this question, I need data:**

* List of District (neighbourhoods) in Ha Noi.
* Latitude and logitude coordinates of those neighbourhoods to plot map and to get the venue data.
* Venue data include coffee house data to perform clustering on the neighbourhoods.

**Source of Data and Methods to extract:**

Because, there isnot not detail data about dictrics of Ha Noi, so I make CSV file HanoiCSV1.txt from information in wiki (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanoi>). There are 30 district in Hanoi with fields (name of the district, Area of the district and population).

After that, I use Python Geocoder Package to get latitude and logitude coordinates of the neighbourhoods. With 2 data tables above, I merge them into 1 file (District\_withGeo.csv) contains 5 fields (Dist, Area, Pop, Latitude, Logitude) (I renamed columns to easey understanding and processing).

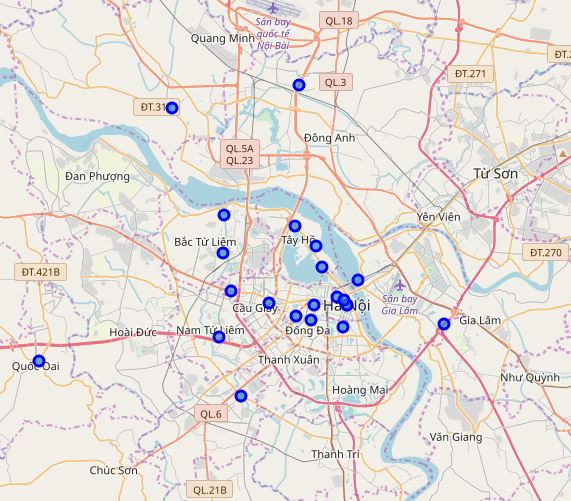
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I used folium to create a map of Hanoi using Latitude and longtitude.

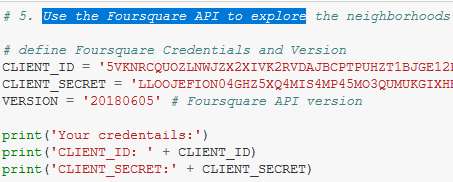
Next, I use Fousquare API to get the venue data for those Districts. I concentrated on Cafe category in order to solve the bussiness problem mentioned above.

1. **Methodology:**

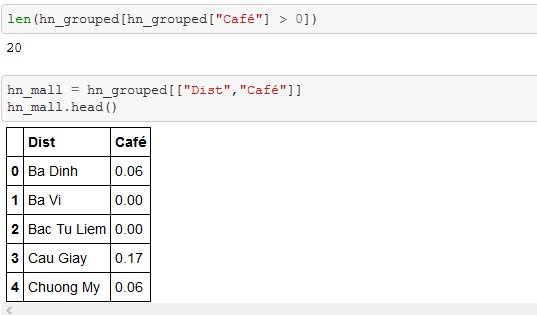
First, we need the list of neighbourhoods in Hanoi. Then I got geographical coordinates in the form of logitude and latitude by using the wonderful Geocoder package that alow us to get geographical coordinates (logitude and latitude) from address. I use folium to create and mark the neigbourhoods in map. *(Picture below).*



Next, I used Foursquare API to get the top 100 venues within a radius of 2kms. I used infomation from Foursquare account I created in the previous assignment.



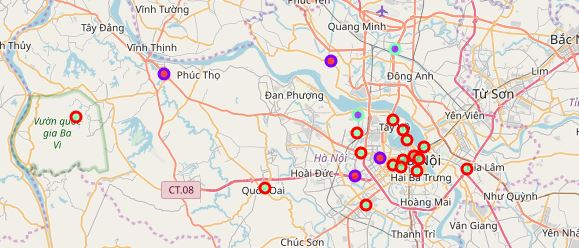
I got data from Foursquare, then I grouped the rows by neighbourhood and taking the mean of the frequency of occurrence of each venue category. By doing so, I was also preparing the data for use in clusterning. Since I analysed the “Cafe” data, I filter the “Cafe” as venue category for the neighbourhoods.



Lastly, I perfomed clustering on the data by using K-means clustering. The results will allow us to identify which Districts have higher concentration of coffee house. Based on the information we got, it helped us to answer the question as to which dictrics are most suitable for opening new coffee house.

1. **Results:**

The results from k-means clustering show that whe can categorize the districts into 3 clusters based on the frequency of occurrence of “Coffee house”.



1. **Discussion:**

As we can see from the picture in Results section, most of the coffee house are in the district that not located in center of Hanoi. We can guess because of the rent price of properties in center Hanoi is very hight so that investor didnot invest in coffee house in the center of Ha Noi.

So for investors, it is not wise to invest in coffee house in Hanoi.

1. **Conclusion:**

In this project, I only use 1 factor as frequency of occurrence of coffee house to find out the answere for the question from bussiness. There are other factors such as population, income, the price of property, e.t.c... that could influence the decision for invester to invest in coffee house.

However, through this project I show that with data science methodology, toolbox we can apply in real, and ofcourse We need invest more money to get data and register the paid account in Foursquare to get more information.

**Thank you!**