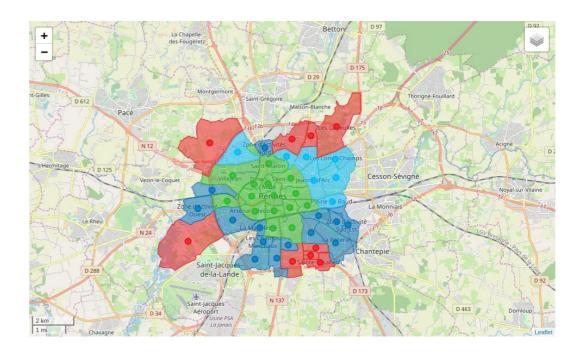
Recommender System for the City of Rennes Neighborhood's

**Clusters** 



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# Recommendation systems are valuable for real-estate agents

- Searching a living place corresponding to a client expectations can be a challenging task
- Cities are bigger than ever and always changing

 Recommendation Systems could be used to narrow the search, saving time and efforts.

## **Data Acquisition**

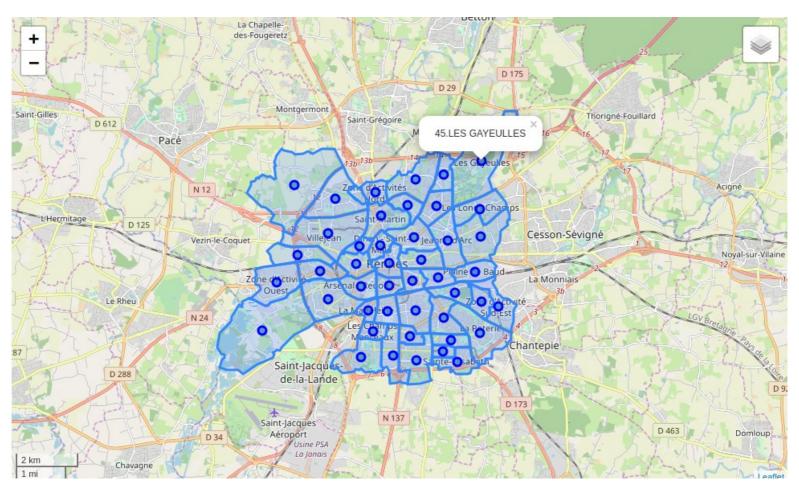
 The Neighborhoods location are extracted from the French Administration Open Data website

(https://www.opendata.gouv.fr) and published under the Open Database License v1.0

- The data set: perimetre-des-45-sous-quartiers-de-la-villede-rennes contains all the information needed about each neighborhood (ID, Name, Latitude and Longitude, geometry)
- All other columns are either undocumented or irrelevant for our analysis and are dropped.

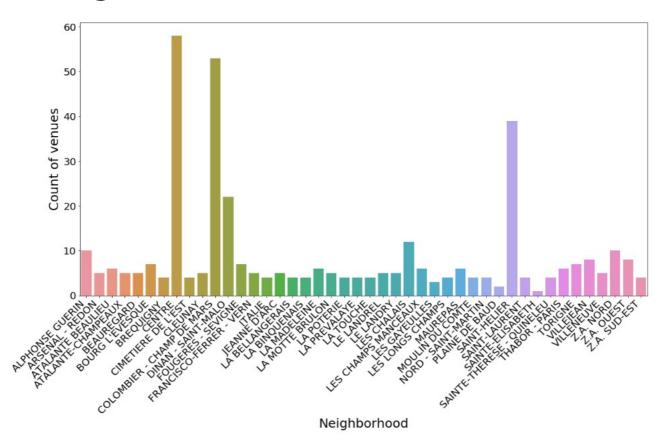
## **Neighborhoods First Visualization**

 Neighborhoods are plotted with their geometry. The location, latitude and longitude, is used as a popup containing the neighborhood ID and name.



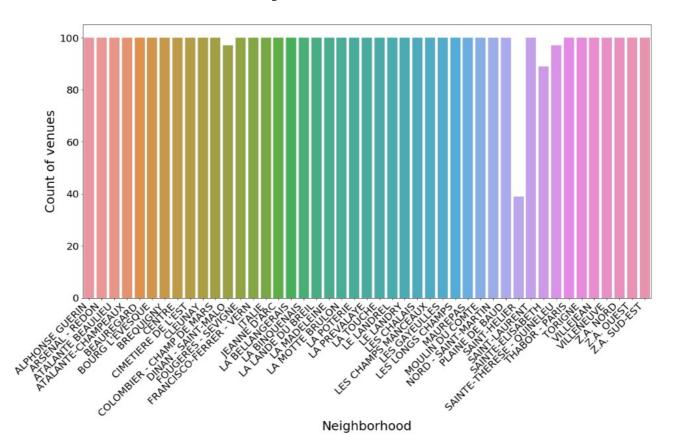
#### **Foursquare Data**

- Explore endpoint :
  - Return recommended venues around a given location, hence a limited number of venues per neighborhood



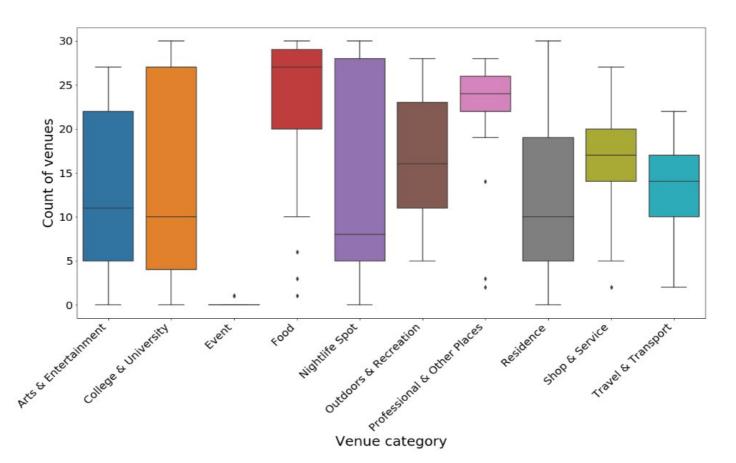
### **Foursquare Data**

- Search endpoint :
  - Return any venues in range of a specified location. More venues per neighborhood but difficult to analyze (LIMIT = 100)



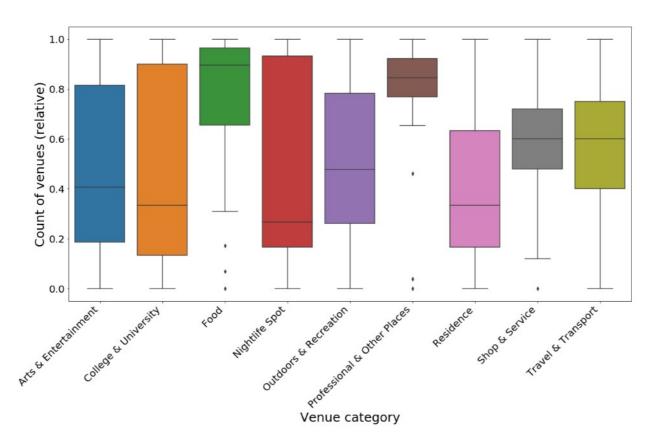
#### **Foursquare Data**

- Solution: Category Endpoint and Search Endpoint
  - Get the 10 top-level Foursquare categories
     to store venues returned by the Search endpoint

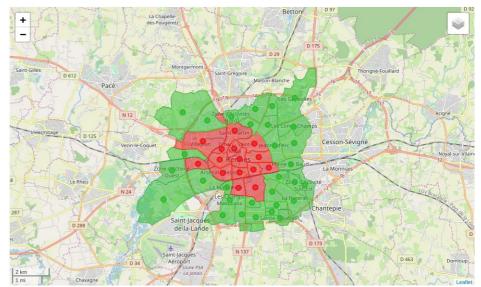


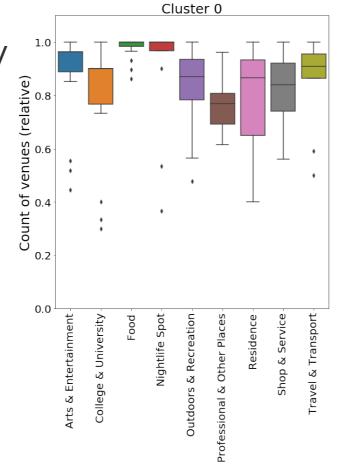
## Normalization and cleaning

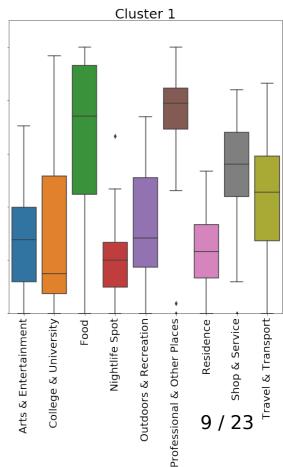
- 'Event' category is dropped because it is close to nonexistent
- MinMaxScaler is used to improve readability between clusters, the number of venue is defined from 0 to 1



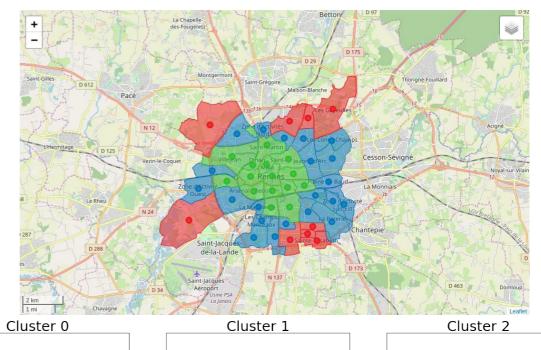
- Tried with different number of clusters :
  - 2 clusters only separate the city center and less dense areas

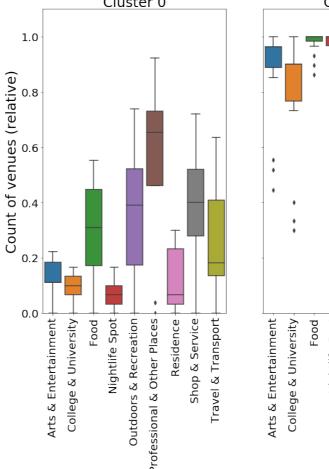


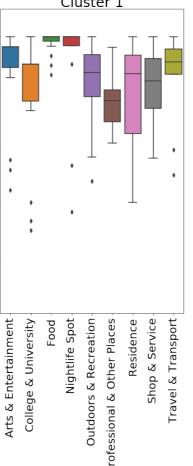


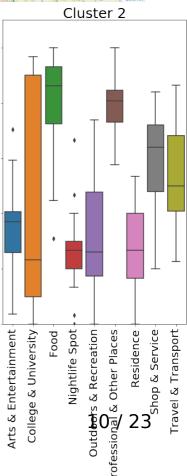


- Tried with different number of clusters :
  - 3 clusters is better but incluster variation is still high

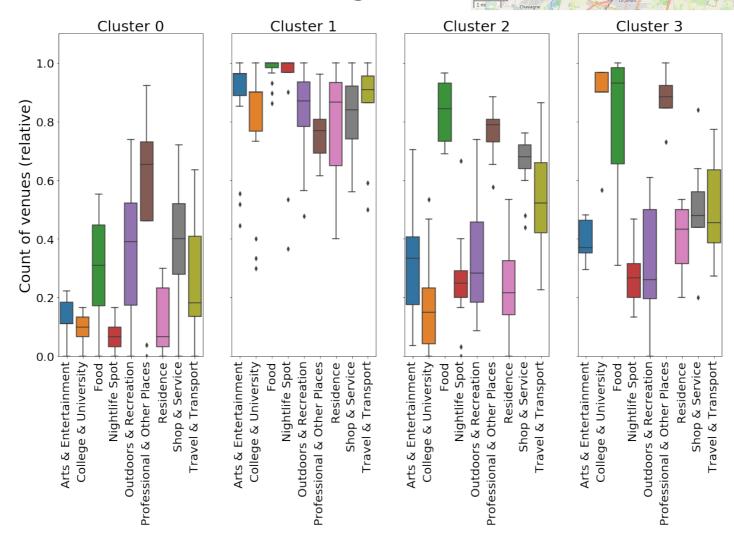




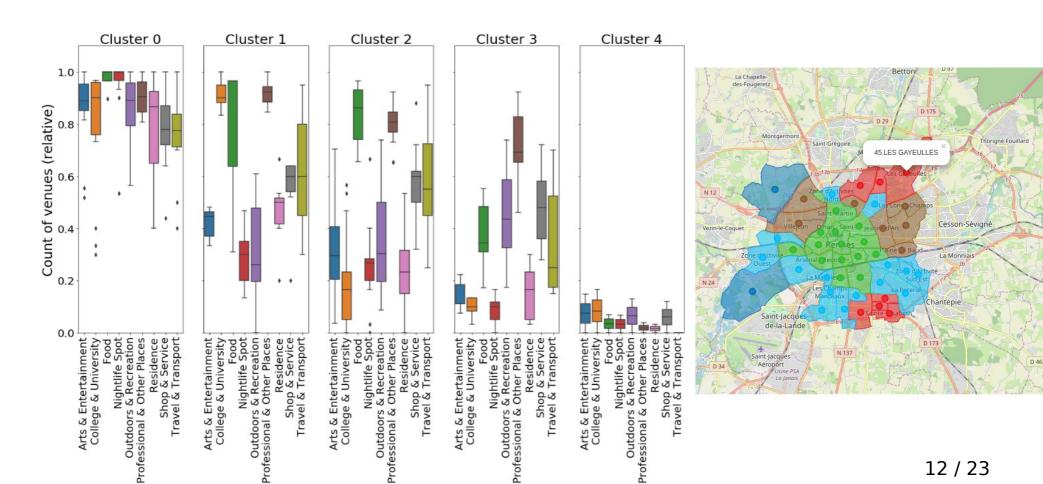




- Tried with different number of clusters
  - 4 clusters : still not enough



- Tried with different number of clusters:
  - 5 clusters allows for a good separation of neighborhoods with low number of venues



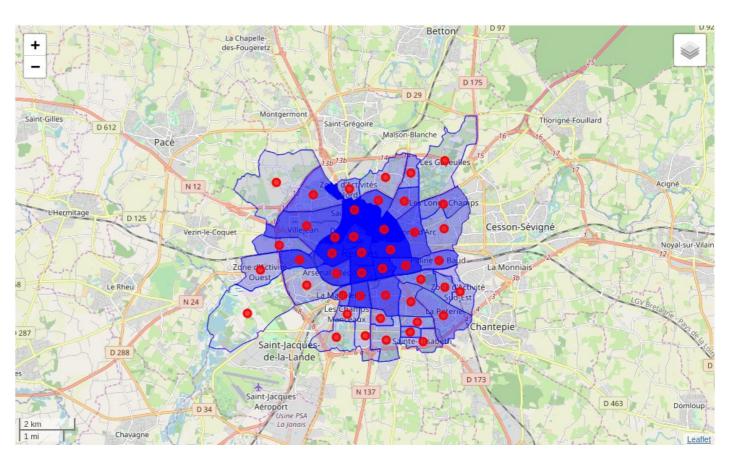
- We already have all data needed to built the recommender system, all venues categories being noted from 0 to 1.
- We only need to build 'typical' user-profiles with a rating for each one of the remaining 9 categories

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# Let's define "typical" user profile
user_profiles = {
    'student' : [0.01, 0.9, 0.01, 0.9, 0.01, 0.01, 0.01, 0.01],
    'family' : [0.1, 0.01, 0.9, 0.01, 0.9, 0.1, 0.1, 0.9, 0.1],
    'young_adult' : [0.9, 0.01, 0.9, 0.9, 0.9, 0.9, 0.01, 0.01, 0.01]
}
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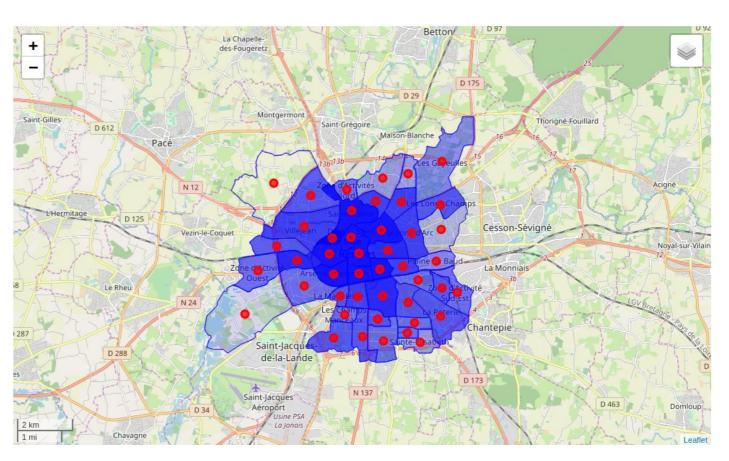
 We can then multiply this profile with the neighborhoods categories dataframe and extract each neighborhood rating.

	ID	Name	rating
0	1	SAINTE-ELISABETH	0.215974
1	2	TORIGNE	0.313912
2	3	LE LANDREL	0.307049
3	4	BREQUIGNY	0.115591
4	5	ITALIE	0.187698

- We can build maps based on those ratings.
- Student:

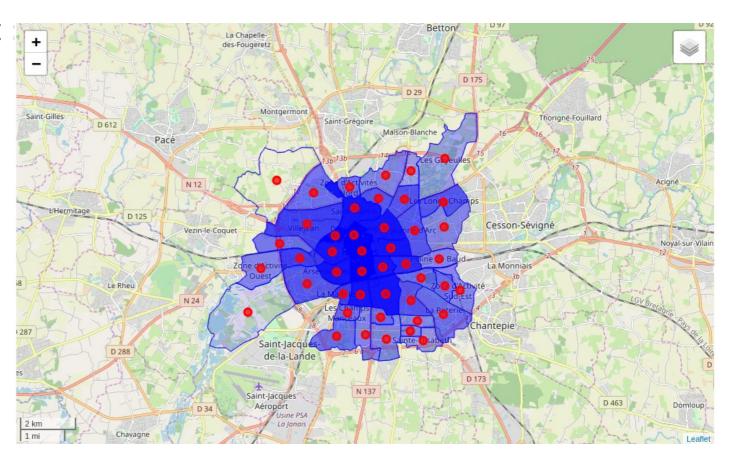


- We can build maps based on those ratings.
- Family :



We can build maps based on those ratings.

Young Adult



 All those maps are very similar, small differences in ratings are difficult to see since all recommended neighborhoods are close to each others.

 If we map only the neighborhoods with a rating > 0.8 we can remap for 'student' and 'family' profiles

Student :

Beauregard Zone d'Activités
Nord Maurepas

Jeanne d'Autorités
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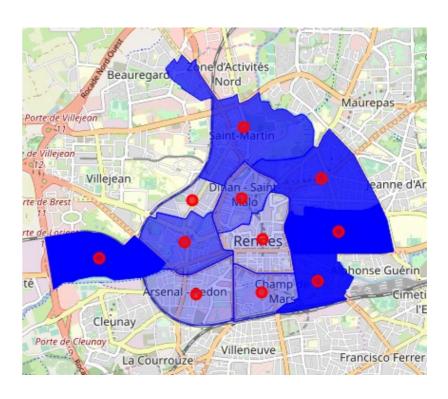
Jeanne d'Autorités
Rendes

Moulin du
Comte
Arsenal - Redon
Champite
Mars

Cleunay

Villeneuve

• Family:



 Differences are more visible now, and we can sort the neighborhoods based on their ratings

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rank column = student\_rank

	ID	Name	Cluster	rank	family_rank	adult_rank
38	39	NORD - SAINT-MARTIN	1	1	7	6
29	30	LA TOUCHE	1	2	1	3
31	32	FOUGERES - SEVIGNE	1	3	8	9
27	28	CENTRE	1	4	2	2
18	19	COLOMBIER - CHAMP DE MARS	1	5	4	4
30	31	DINAN - SAINT-MALO	1	6	5	1
25	26	THABOR - PARIS	1	7	10	8
20	21	SAINT-HELIER	1	8	9	10
26	27	BOURG L'EVESQUE	1	9	6	7

#### Result

- City center is always recommended, no matter the profile
  - Due to the more dense venues
- Differences still exist in the neighborhoods ranking

#### **Discussion**

- Clustering and Recommendation works as expected
- But are limited by the Foursquare data :
  - Bias toward Food and Recreationnal places
  - Endpoint too limited or too wide
- Including other dataset will improve our analysis
  - Real estate past transaction
  - Venues data including rating

#### **Conclusion**

- Foursquare Data is limited
- Recommender System feasibility has been demonstrated
- More precise and relevant data would help improve the model