

Coursera Capstone

Battle of Neighborhoods

Possible locations for a Gym in Copenhagen

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Business Case

A new fitness chain would like to expand in Denmark. Opening the first Gym is going to give the stakeholder an idea on how profitable is their business model and how it will be received might dictate future plans for expansion on the Danish Market.

The customer would like to open the Gym in the center of Copenhagen but an analysis is needed to understand where would be the best position considering the location of the other gyms.

Data Analysis should be used to find the best location considering a few criteria:

- Proximity to high traffic areas
- A certain distance to existing fitness centers.
- A location with lower density of Gym facilities.

Data Source

The main Data Source will be Foursquare API for identifying existing gyms and mapping them over the Central Copenhagen zip codes.

Data from Denmark Statistics Institute will be used to identify higher density areas and popular venues.

By knowing existing Gym and their area of coverage, by applying unsupervised learning techniques it will be determined the optimum location for opening a new fitness center.

Obtaining Data:

Using Foursquare API 50 Gyms have been identified in Copenhagen and surroundings.

Even if Frederiksberg is a separate municipality then Copenhagen, it was considered as a possible location.

Based on their Latitude and Longitude, the gyms will be plotted on the map.

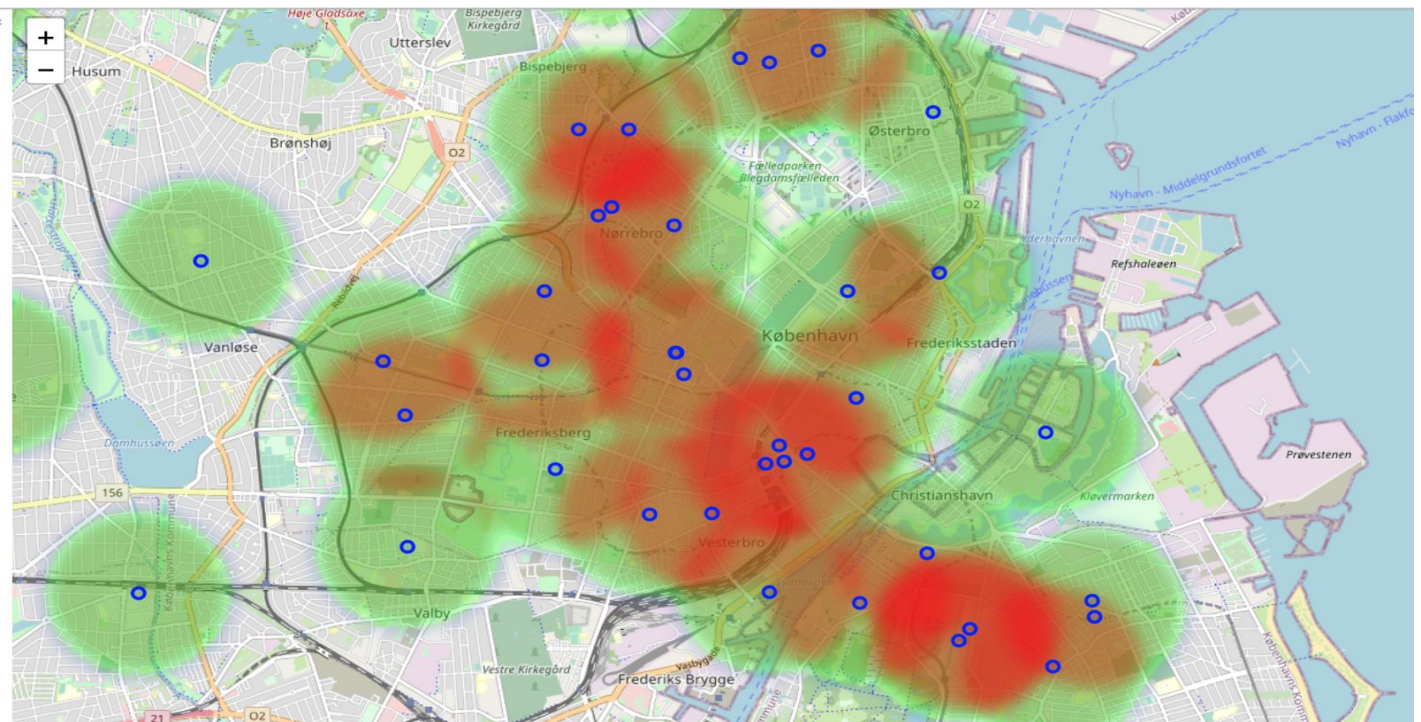
Name	address	postalCode	city
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Købmagergade 48</i>	<i>1150</i>	<i>København K</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Worsaaesvej 17</i>	<i>1972</i>	<i>Frederiksberg</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Gasværksvej 16</i>	<i>1656</i>	<i>København V</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Esromgade 15</i>	<i>2200</i>	<i>København N</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Tagensvej 129</i>	<i>2200</i>	<i>København N</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Jagtvej 113-115</i>	<i>2200</i>	<i>København N</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Ljongade 23-25</i>	<i>2300</i>	<i>København S</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Århusgade 102</i>	<i>2100</i>	<i>København Ø</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Lyngbyvej 62</i>	<i>2100</i>	<i>København Ø</i>
<i>Fitness World Lygten</i>	<i>Rentemestervej 2</i>	<i>2400</i>	<i>København NV</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Danneskiold-Samsøes Allé 20</i>	<i>1434</i>	<i>København</i>
<i>Fitness dk</i>	<i>Amager Blvd. 70</i>	<i>2300</i>	<i>København S</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Æbeløgade 4</i>	<i>2100</i>	<i>København Ø</i>
<i>Fitness dk ABC</i>	<i>Frederiksberg Allé 98</i>	<i>1820</i>	<i>Frederiksberg</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Helgesvej 29</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>Frederiksberg</i>
<i>The Fitness Room</i>	<i>Rued Langaards Vej 7</i>	<i>2300</i>	<i>København S</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Englandsvej 28-30</i>	<i>2300</i>	<i>København S</i>
<i>Perfect Fitness</i>	<i>Øster Farimagsgade 16 B</i>	<i>2100</i>	<i>København</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Rued Langgaards Vej 2C</i>	<i>2300</i>	<i>København S</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Strandvejen 32F</i>	<i>2100</i>	<i>København Ø</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Farungade 6</i>	<i>2200</i>	<i>København N</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Oslo Plads 2</i>	<i>2100</i>	<i>Østerbro</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Kigkurren 1</i>	<i>2300</i>	<i>København S</i>
<i>Fitness World</i>	<i>Emdrupvej 115A</i>	<i>2400</i>	<i>København</i>
<i>Form & Fitness / Frankrigsgade Svømmehal</i>	<i>Frankrigsgade 35</i>	<i>2300</i>	<i>København S</i>
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<i>Repeat Fitness</i>	<i>Åboulevard 58</i>	<i>2200</i>	<i>København N</i>

<i>Fitness & Sauna</i>	<i>NaN</i>	<i>1561</i>	<i>København</i>
Fitness Svendsen	Drejøgade 35	2100	Kbh Ø

Visualising Data

Based on the identified Venues a Heatmap was created to identify easily the area of influence of the other gyms.

The red area implies the options for finding a gym are more dense while a blue or lime area implies there are not that many options in the immediate proximity.



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Data Analysis and Interpretation

While we cannot conclude which is the best location for a new gym only based on the above data, it can be used as a starting point to single out a few locations.

The data should be cross referenced with the population density in the area and the transportation hubs / corridors.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above, the locations and the areas of influence can be adjusted considering the population density and a better picture of training facilities per person can be obtained.

A gym in the red area is not a guarantee that it will not perform, but probably the marketing efforts will have to be higher to make the gym known and to attract members from other gyms.

The competition is already high if there are 3-4 gyms clustered in an area so free offers, no signup fee, personalised training advice and programs could be considered as a marketing strategy.

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