Kyoto Sightseeing Map 2.0

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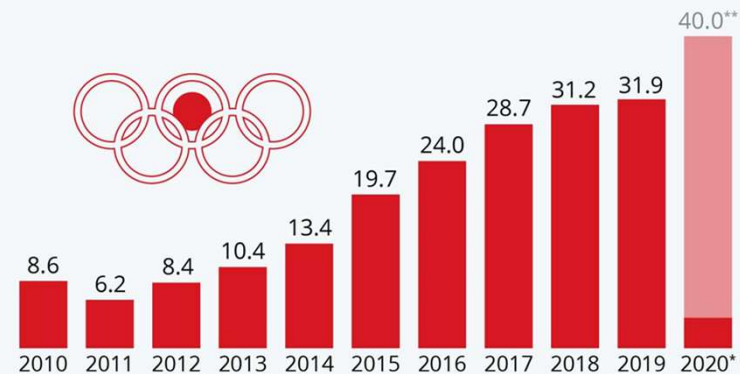4. Future work

Background and Motivation

Background

COVID-19 Spoils Japan's Tourism Goals

Annual number of visitors to Japan and 2020 goal (in million visitors)

40.0**

Year	Value
2010	8.6
2011	6.2
2012	8.4
2013	10.4
2014	13.4
2015	19.7
2016	24.0
2017	28.7
2018	31.2
2019	31.9
2020*	40.0**

*   first quarter
** target
Sources: JTB Tourism Research & Consulting Co., Government of Japan

statista

A growth of visitor arrivals expected 40 million this year, but would have already been a jump up from 2019's that is 31.9 million international tourists,

More visitors would have also injected more cash into the economy.

The Olympic Games were prospected to bring a boost of $300 billion due to the increase in international and domestic tourists.

Background

According to a report by the Japan National Tourism Organization,

Tourism received just some 3,800 foreign visitors in July due to restrictions on the entry of people from 146 territories as a measure to check the spread of Covid-19.

While the numbers for July represent a 99.9 percent year-on-year drop, they are slightly higher than the around 2,600 foreign tourists recorded in June, 1,663 in May and 2,917 in April.

The normally bustling Nakamise shopping street is seen empty in Taito Ward, Tokyo, on March 28, 2020 (Mainichi/Naoaki Hasegawa)

Background

Coronavirus-induced bankruptcies in Japan

Source: Tokyo Shoko Research
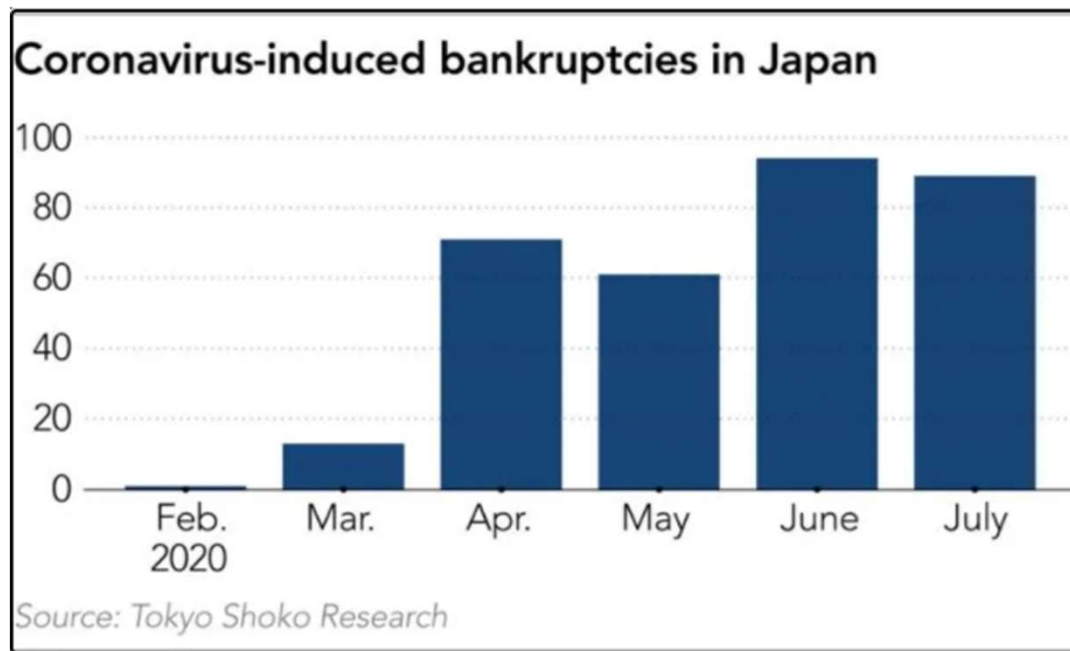
Teikoku Databank Ltd. found that 500 businesses had gone bankrupt by Sept. 8

Japan government has recently declared Go To campaign to overcome the economic. There are 4 types of campaigns; Go To Travel Campaign, Go To Eat Campaign, Go To Event Campaign and Go To Shopping Street Campaign.

Current Tourist Website

- **Limited in Functionality**
  Many websites do not provide detail information according to user's needs.

- **Less Spot Distribution**
  Many websites do not contribute to distributing tourists all over the town.
  Thus, tourists visit only to the famous location.

- **Lack of attraction**
  Many websites do not contain current information about the tourist spot

Motivation to Overcome Current Problem

- **Appealing information of Kyoto**

  For visitors attraction, we attach the useful information of kyoto's scenic spot and recommend to show the 360 degree pictures of attractive scenery. We accommodate to show more than a hundred tourist destination all over Kyoto area.

- **Personalized recommendation**

  We try to provide the personalized recommendation about traveling route by using the deep learning methods.

- **Real time information**

  We recommend the chat room with friendly UI-design, to help people get useful and real-time information shared by others. Thus, the user will not feel lonely when traveling alone.

Vision and Overview of Sightseeing Map 2.0

Vision

- Increase user experience in exploring Kyoto via our sightseeing map

- Present an interactive map which accommodate simplicity by classifying tourist destination based on several categories

- Provide destination alternative to user with place recommendation to visit

- People are more aware to travel with health protocol. So we think, put some hospitals marker near the tourist destination may beneficial while traveling

Strong Point of Sightseeing Map 2.0

Spot Categorization

- User may choose their preferences easily
- The map look less full and more beautiful to see

Pictures and 360 degree images

- Allow user has a better illustration of the destination spot
- Increase user experience by viewing 360 degree images

Chatroom

- Allow user to have interaction with others, particularly in pandemic situation
- Distinguish user based on their current area
- Allow user to upload recent images and illustration of spot they visited directly
- Provide current information of Kyoto and/or any spot destination

Sightseeing Map 2.0

Job Description

General work: Use cases were defined

Front-End (By Tyanita & Luiza):

1. front-end designed using HTML, CSS, and Javascript with Map embedded (using free version of Google Map API) and spot classification.
2. Image and spot description for each tourist destination
3. Linked more news about Kyoto's current situation.

Back-End (By Luiza):

1. Server was set up and is live on Heroku.
2. Database was defined and set up. Communication is available.
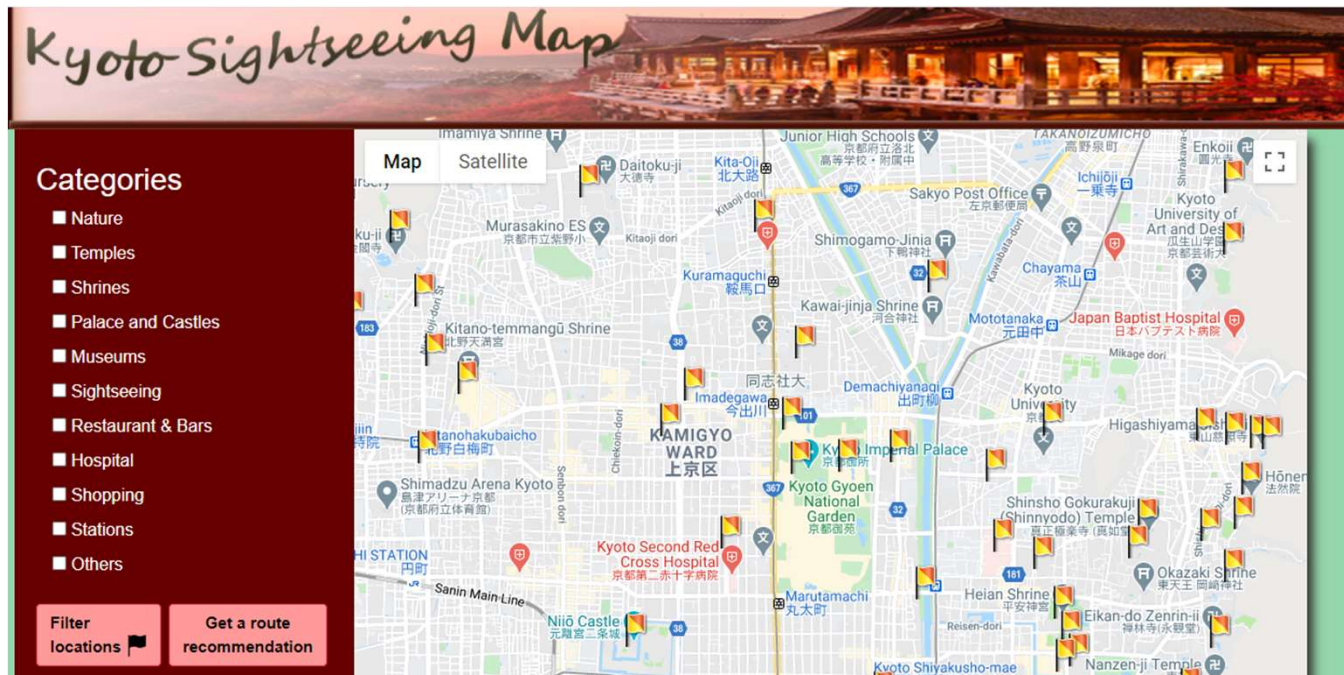
Recommendation model (By Tian):

1. Build up two simple Recommendation models: MF (Finding user interest) , seq-to-seq (route recommendation)
2. Create chat room prototype to enrich user experience
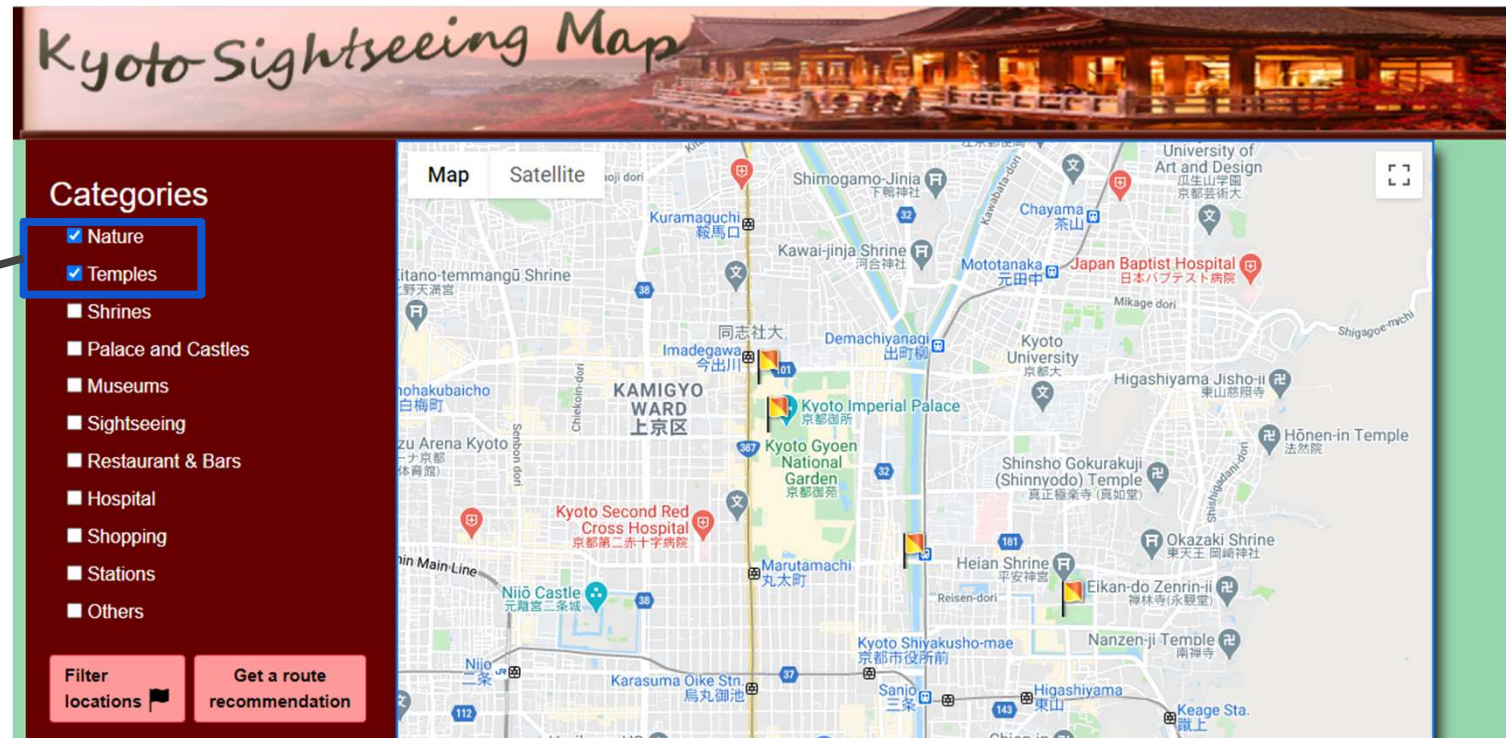
Front-End

Main, url: https://kyoto-map-20-front.herokuapp.com/

Front-End

Categories

The flag appeared based on filter that user selected

User may choose more than one categories

Kyoto Sightseeing Map

Categories

- ☑ Nature
- ☑ Temples
- ◼ Shrines
- ◼ Palace and Castles
- ◼ Museums
- ◼ Sightseeing
- ◼ Restaurant & Bars
- ◼ Hospital
- ◼ Shopping
- ◼ Stations
- ◼ Others

Filter locations 🚩   **Get a route recommendation**

Front-End

Routes

Linked to https://www.japantimes.co.jp/tag/kyoto/

Chat room menu

Front-End

Spot Information

Linked to official
website of the
tourist destination
or webpage that
review detail
information about
the place

Back-End

- Database set and filled with information on the cloud. Managed by SQLite.
- Basic communication through GET/POST requests is set up, allowing cross origin communication:
    a. Load information about all locations
    b. Load information about one location
    c. Save a new location, Delete location

```python
@app.route('/locations/<int:pid>', methods=['GET'])
@cross_origin()
def locationsById(pid):
    response = []

    #Getting location by pid
    cur = get_db().execute("SELECT pid, pname, jpname, lat, lon FROM location WHERE pid = "+str(pid)+";")
    columns = [column[0] for column in cur.description]

    for row in cur.fetchall():
        response.append(dict(zip(columns, row)))

    cur.close()

    return jsonify(response)
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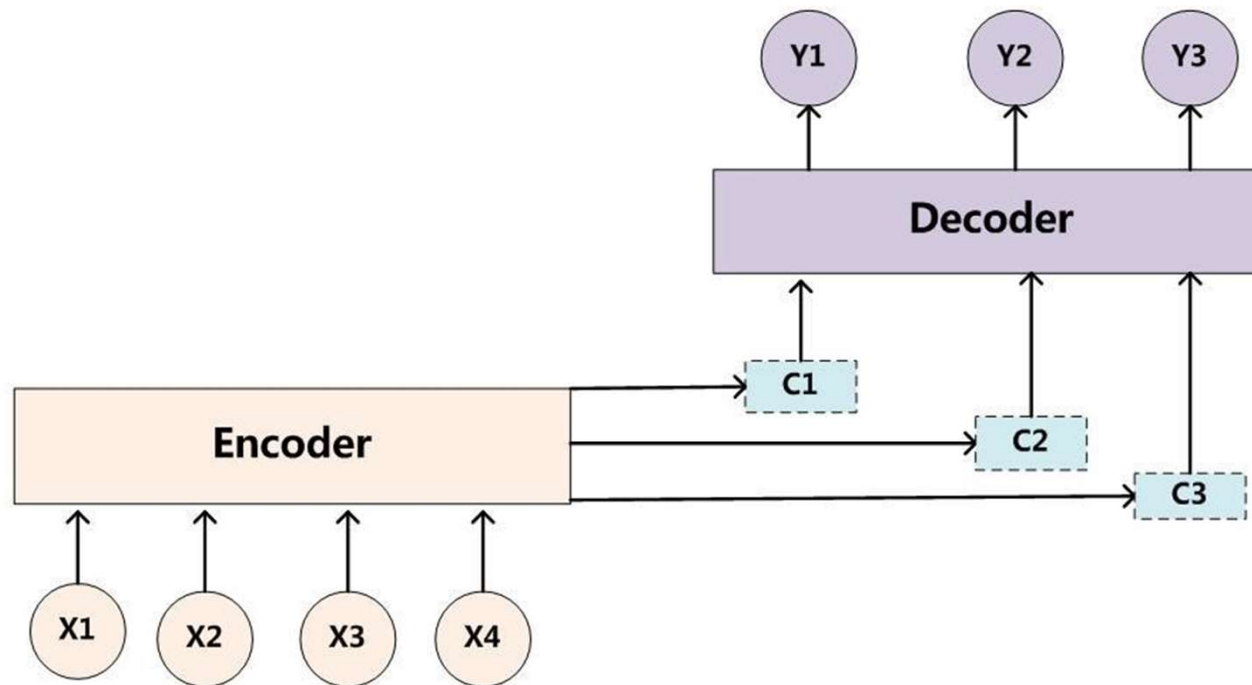
Recommendation model

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Seq-to-seq

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In [133]:  ▶| for i in range(len(out_put)):
               new_index=out_put[i]-4
               out_put[i]=Pid_POI[new_index]

In [134]:  ▶| out_put

   Out[134]:  ['四条通', '四条大橋', '寺町通商店街']

In [135]:  ▶| for i in range(len(query_seq)):
               new_index=query_seq[i]-4
               query_seq[i]=Pid_POI[new_index]

In [136]:  ▶| query_seq

   Out[136]:  ['河原町通', '四条通']
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In [175]:  ▶| for i in range(len(out_put)):
               new_index=out_put[i]-4
               out_put[i]=Pid_POI[new_index]

In [176]:  ▶| out_put

   Out[176]:  ['清水寺', '二年坂', '豊国神社', '二年坂']

In [177]:  ▶| for i in range(len(query_seq)):
               new_index=query_seq[i]-4
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In [178]:  ▶| query_seq

   Out[178]:  ['二年坂', '三年坂']
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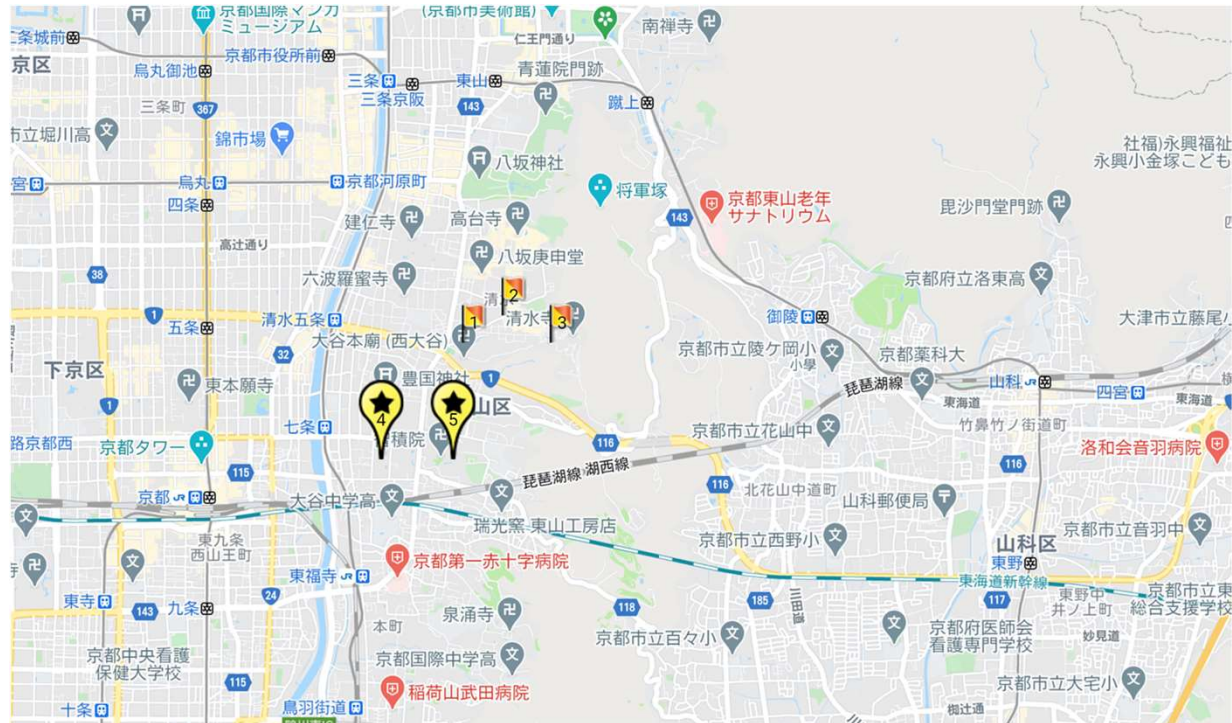
Recommendation model

chat room

Purpose: Let the user quickly know the useful information and get help on time.

Feature:

1. Recently events.
2. Various category chat room to satisfy requirements.
3. Instruction about covid-19.
4. Real time information shared by others .
5. Can be easy shared on Facebook, twitter, instagram simultaneously.
6. You will not feel lonely when traveling alone.

KYOTO SIGHTSEEING MAP

- ⚏ Category   >
- ⚑ Route   >
- ⊙ Chatroom   ⌄
  - Support
  - Guidence
  - Sakyo-ku
  - Kamigyo-ku

- 📢 Guidence   ⌄
  - ● Pay attention to personal hygiene
  - ● Reduce meals
  - ● Wash your hands frequently
  - ● Wear a mask when going out

- ↻ Guidelines for Preventing the Spread of COVID-19

- 📻 Today' s event

1月15日 周五 粥神事 上賀茂神社	1月16日 周六 桃月庵白酒 Art Live Theater International
1月16日 周六 御木始御弓始 藤森神社	1月16日 周六 粥神事 上賀茂神社
1月17日 周日 一般発売桂… 京都南座	1月17日 周日 古希記念桂… 京都南座
1月17日 周日 粥神事 上賀茂神社	1月21日 周四 粥神事 上賀茂神社

OutThere
2020-09-12 08:10

A Global Meditation Experiment -
Live guided meditations and discussions of 45 minutes each, guided by a Zen Monk, moderated by the co-founder of SLEEEP, situated in the oldest Zen-temple of Kyoto, delivered on the cloud, for the whole wide world.
Sign up & Details:
https://sleeep.io/experience/cloud/sitting
After signing up from the page above, you will receive an email with the Zoom meeting link to join.

💬 99+   👍 99+

Peter
2020-09-13 21:12

Please to go the kifunejinja to see, it was beautiful covering by snow!

💬 99+   👍 99+

⌃ Best information in history

Margaret
2020-09-25 12:12

Kyoto snowed heavily!

💬 12   👍 21

Osborne
2020-09-25 12:10

Enter text here…   **Send** 😊 📷 📹 🐦 f in

Future Development

Possibility for Future Development

General work:

- Test map with some users and get their feedback.

- Implement route recommendation based on User's preferences.

- Add 360 degrees pictures.

- Possibly create a social network in which routes and locations could be added and shared between users.

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Thank you for your attention.
Any questions or comments are welcome.