

Geo Data Science for Tourism

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The hospitality and tourism industries are considered as critical parts of the economy of a Country. Thanks to the availability of a huge quantity of geographical data, such industries can offer high-quality Web applications, which improve the attractiveness of tourism destinations as well as all the businesses related to tourism. In addition, the use of Web applications for tourism helps to understand tourists behavior, by managing, analyzing and visualizing huge quantities of geographical data, such as those contained in reviews about accommodations. However, Web applications applied to the tourism domain present several issues and challenges, such as their durability and copyright related to collected data. The use of open data for tourism (e.g. accommodations, restaurants, attractions, events, transportations) and open source maps to represent geographical data can be an answer to all these challenges.

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