# VOIS library:

Pushing data science dashboards to the limits

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## JRC Big Data Analytics Platform

#### Hardware

- Petabyte scale data hub
- Co-located with computing cluster

#### Interactivity

- Novel interactive data analysis
- Exploratory visualisation tools



#### **Security**

- Encrypted protocol (https)
- Multi-factor authentication

#### Web-based access

- JupyterLab
- Remote data science desktop
- Distributed computing
- Development environments

#### **Dissemination**

- Web-based data dissemination
- Visualisation services
- Secure file transfer (ftps)

#### **Machine Learning**

- Specialized hardware
- Artificial Intelligence and Deep Learning modelling



### **VOIS** library



- VOIIà Simplification library
- Its goal is to make life easier for the creation of impactful Voilà dashboards
- Partially developed in the context of the CS3MESH4EOSC Horizon2020 project lead by CERN
- Currently in IP clearance and security checks phase for the publication as open source on the <a href="https://code.europa.eu">https://code.europa.eu</a> following European Commission Decision of 8 December 2021 on the open source licensing and reuse of Commission software 2021/C 495 I/01.



Connecting European Data

#### Voilà



- A Jupyter notebook extension to automatically create standalone applications and dashboards.
- Notebooks are rendered by showing only the output of the cells, while the code is hidden.
- Suitable for non-technical experts for communicating insights and foresight to a wider audience.
- Single environment for full data analytics workflows from research and innovation to outreach engaging policy makers and citizens.



#### Widgets

- Widgets are the part of a GUI that allows the user to interface with the application.
- Widgets can make Jupyter notebooks look lively and interactive, by using elements like buttons, drop-down lists, sliders, etc.
- They allow users to interact with the notebook, manipulate output
  according to the selection of widget and controlling events. Can be used
  to record user's input and implemented easily in a Jupyter notebook.
- <u>ipywidgets</u> is the standard open-source python library used to create many types of widgets. It is easy to use and the first choice for dashboards creation.



# ipywidgets

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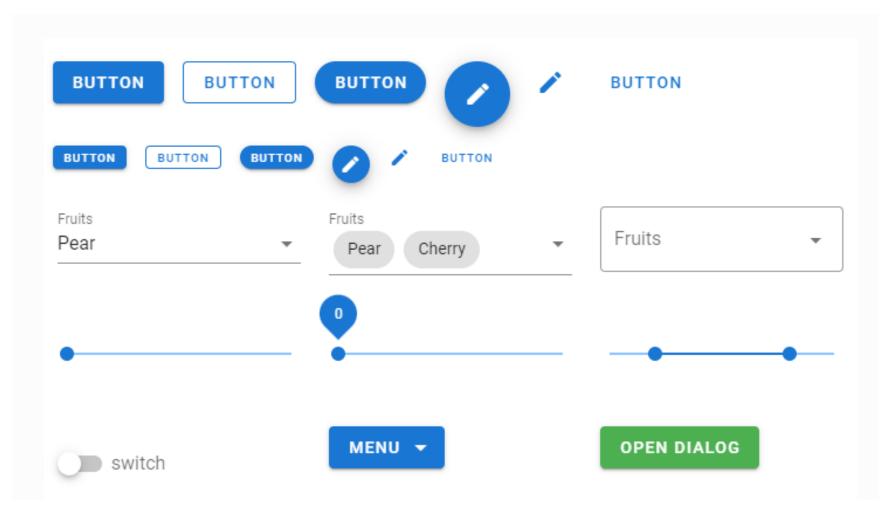


### Widgets

- The look&feel of the ipywidgets, cannot be customized, and when there
  is the need to create fancy looking applications in Jupyter or Voilà, more
  modern widgets library come to play their role.
- <u>ipyvuetify</u> is a widget library for making modern looking GUI's in Jupyter notebooks and Voilà dashboards. It's based on the Google material design philosophy. It is a porting of the <u>vuetifyjs</u> JavaScript library.
- A large set of widgets is provided with many widgets having multiple variants. Widgets are "composable" (any widget can contain a list of other widgets) allowing for the creation of rich and engaging user experiences.

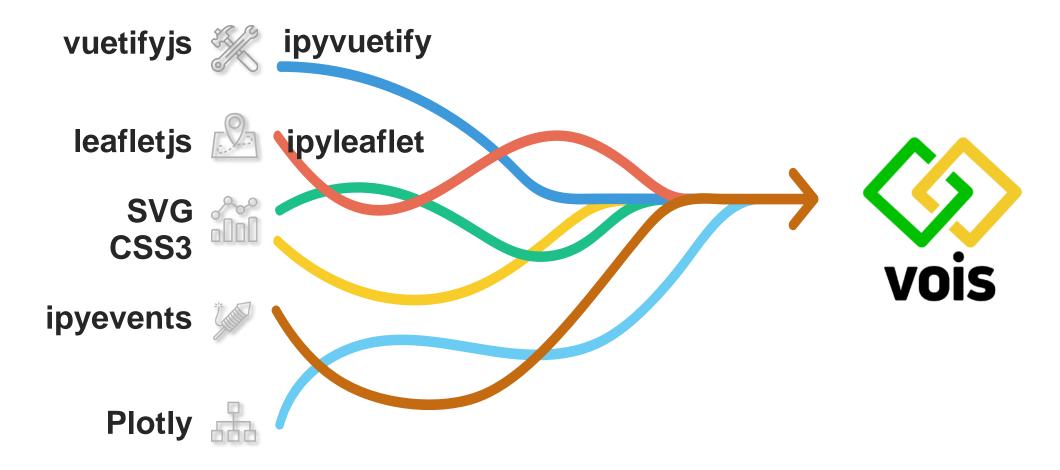


## ipyvuetify





## Components





#### **Objectives**

- Facilitate full exploitation of ipyvuetify/vuetify.js components with less code
- Consistent usage of widgets variants/colors/themes
- Allows for fullscreen applications (possibly avoiding scrollbars)
- Support multiple screen resolutions: responsiveness
- Compound elements created from groups of widgets
- Layered components (popup-menus, dialog-boxes, etc.)
- Multipage applications
- Advanced geo-spatial visualizations
- Custom interactive charts
- Cloud ←→ local system data exchange



#### **Facilitate**

#### vois library

Test button **≣**D

ipyvuetify import ipyvuetify as v def onclick(widget, event, data): print('Clicked!') = v.Icon(class ="pa-0 ma-0 ml-2", large=False, color='black', children=['mdi-car-light-high']) button = v.Btn(color='amber', class ="black--text", dark=False, icon=False, depressed=True, outlined=False, large=True, disabled=False, width=300, height=36, children=['Test button', icon], rounded=True, style\_='font-size: 17; font-weight: 450; text-transform: none;') button.on\_event('click', onclick) button.v on = 'tooltip.on' tooltip = v.Tooltip(color=settings.tooltip\_backcolor, transition="scale-transition",

v\_slots=[{'name': 'activator', 'variable': 'tooltip', 'children': button }],

container = v.Container(children=[tooltip])

container

bottom=True,

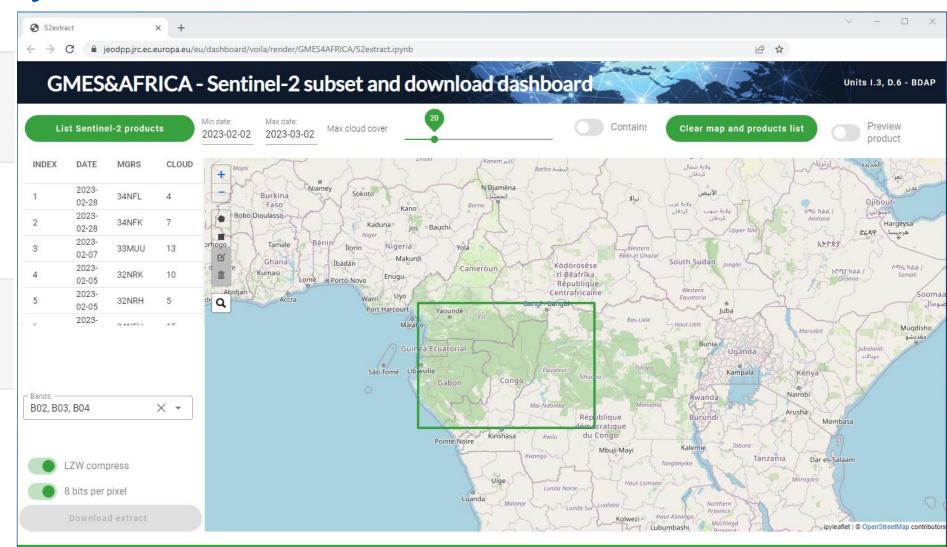
children=['Tooltip for button'])

## Consistency

```
from vois.vuetify import settings

settings.dark_mode = True

settings.color_first = '#38a23f'
settings.button_rounded = True
```



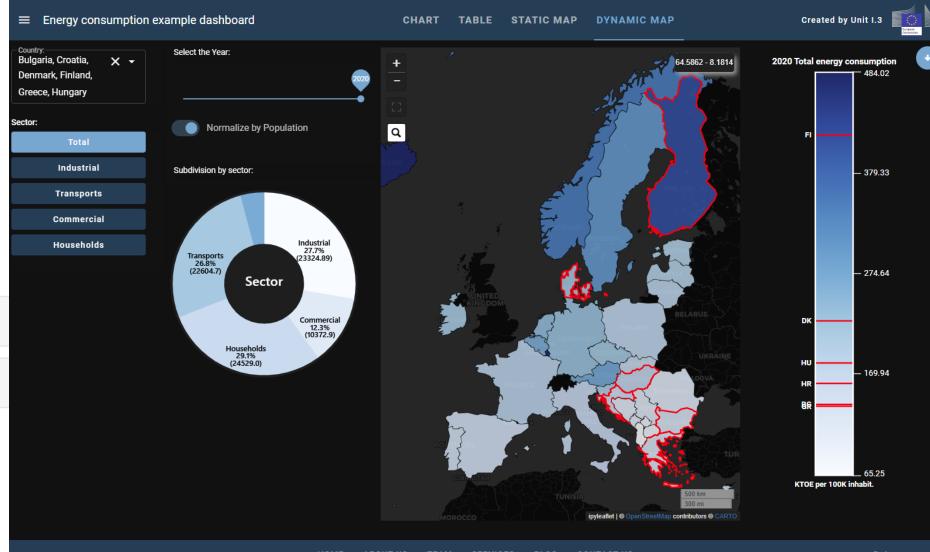
## Consistency: themes

VOIS library manages the light and dark theme for all the widgets

With a single setting a dashboard theme can be changed

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settings.dark mode = True

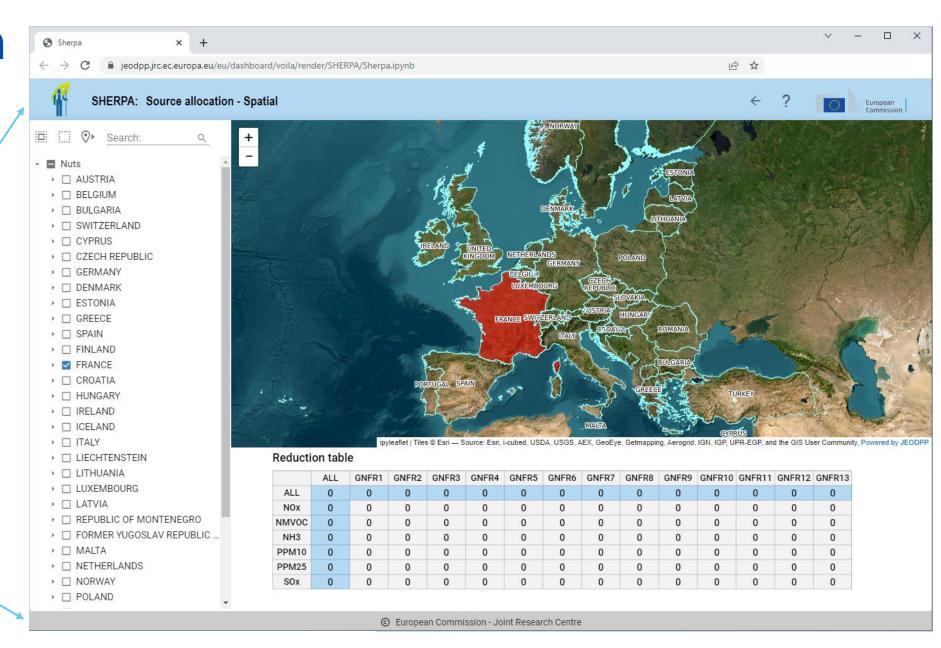


#### Fullscreen

 Dashboard can occupy the full space of the page

 A main bar with title, buttons, icons is displayed on top

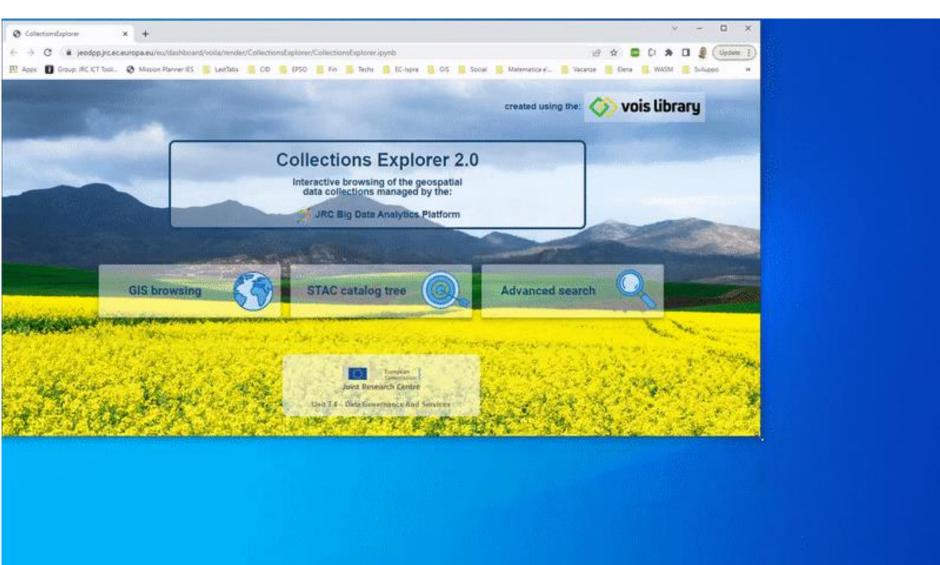
A footer bar with some copyright information is displayed on the bottom



### Responsive

 Dashboards can be made responsive to change in the browser page size

 Graphical elements and font sizes con adapt to different page sizes



#### Fullscreen & responsive: how to?

VOIS library makes extensive use of these **CSS3** «tricks» and JavaScript resources to dynamically resize interface elements and text sizes:

- Fullscreen dialogs: <a href="https://vuetifyjs.com/en/api/v-dialog/">https://vuetifyjs.com/en/api/v-dialog/</a>
- CSS vw and vh units: <a href="https://css-tricks.com/fun-viewport-units/">https://css-tricks.com/fun-viewport-units/</a>
- CSS calc(), min(), ...: <a href="https://css-tricks.com/a-complete-guide-to-calc-in-css/">https://css-tricks.com/a-complete-guide-to-calc-in-css/</a>
- CSS Media queries: <a href="https://css-tricks.com/a-complete-guide-to-css-media-queries/">https://css-tricks.com/a-complete-guide-to-css-media-queries/</a>
- Vuetifyjs breakpoints: <a href="https://vuetifyjs.com/en/features/display-and-platform/">https://vuetifyjs.com/en/features/display-and-platform/</a>

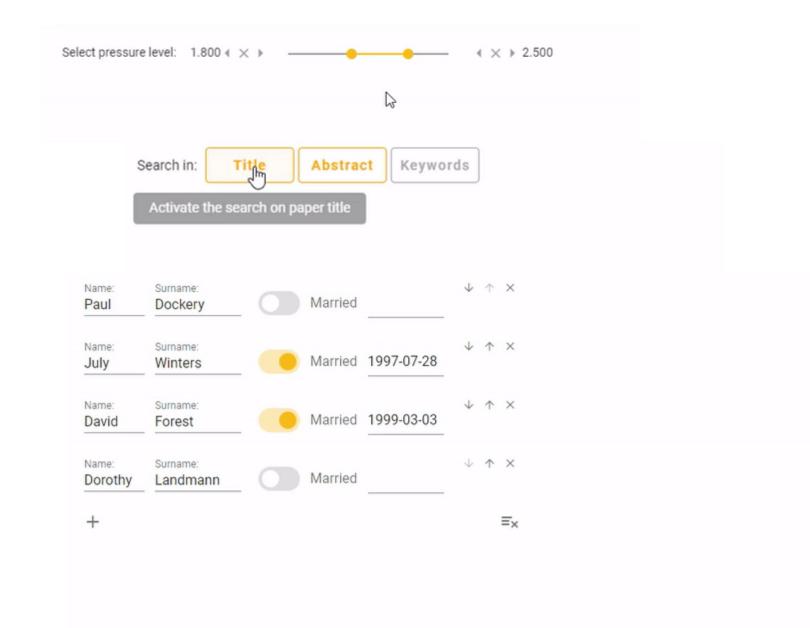


## Composition

The VOIS library defines composite widgets that containg multiple ipyvuetify widgets to solve complex tasks

#### Examples:

- a float range slider managing default values
- a multi-switch widget for collecting multiple boolean options
- a sortable list of complex items

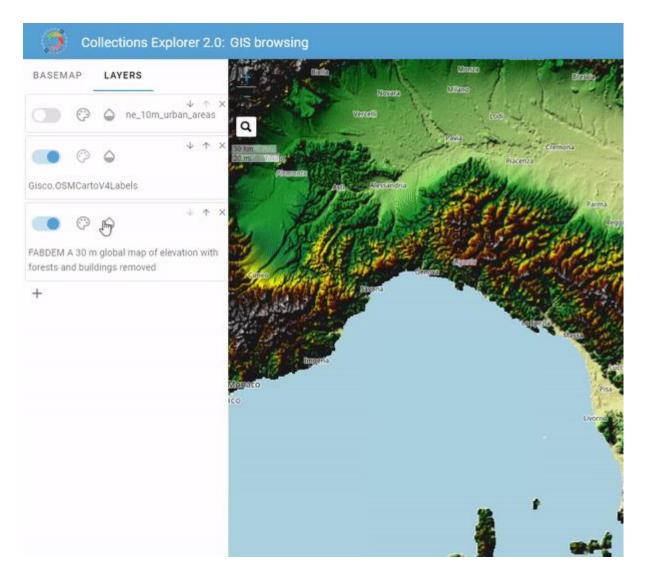


## Layered widgets: pop-ups

Using ipyvuetify and the VOIS library it is possible to easily create widgets that pops-out of the screen:

- Pop-up menus
- Pop-up windows for capturing user interaction without changing what is displayed on the screen

This is not possible using the standard ipywidgets library

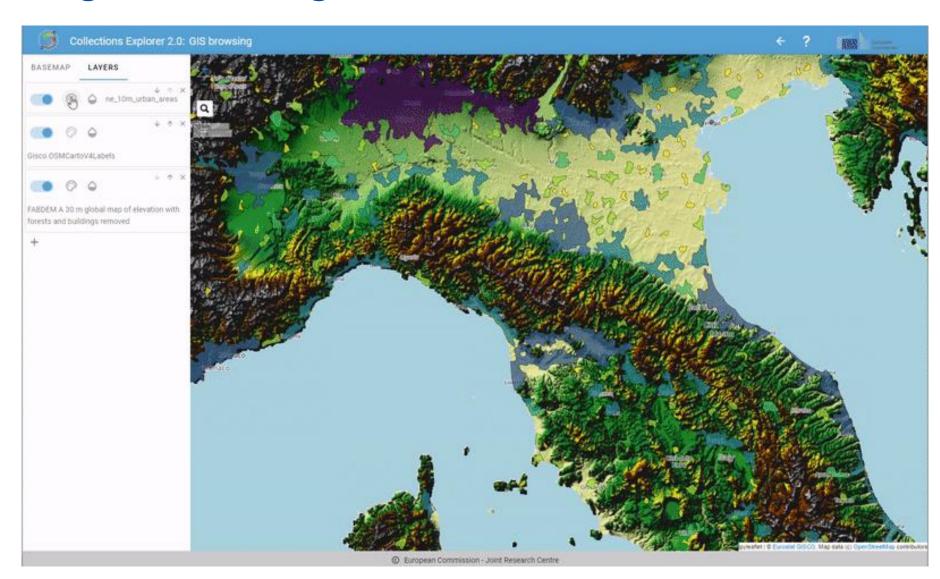


## Layered widgets: dialog-boxes

Modal dialog-boxes can be opened to request user input

Any widget can be added to the dialog content

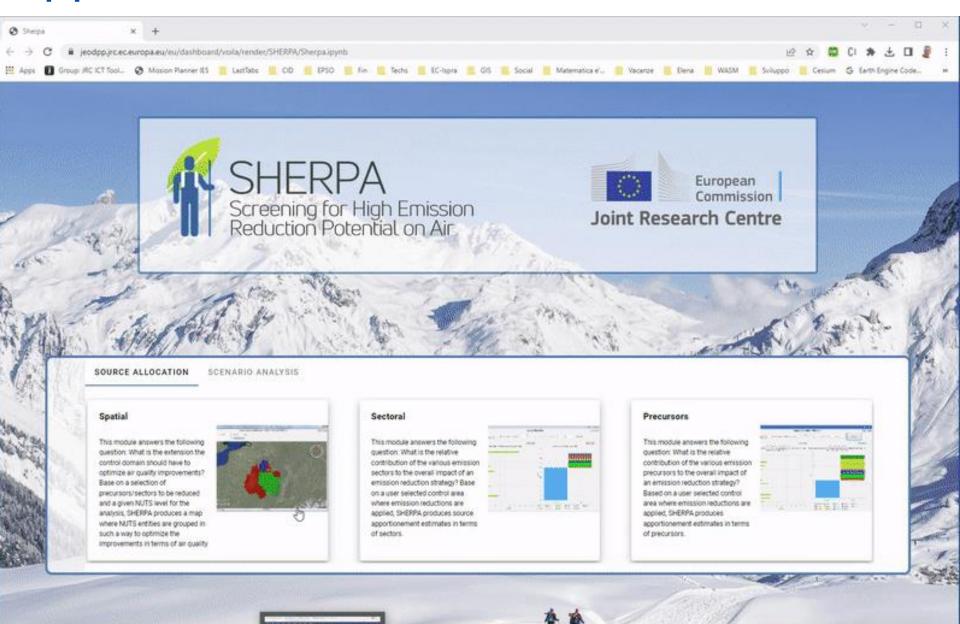
On the right an example of some overlapping dialog-boxes that implement a legend editor for geospatial vector dataset thematization



### Multipage applications

Support for multipages application development

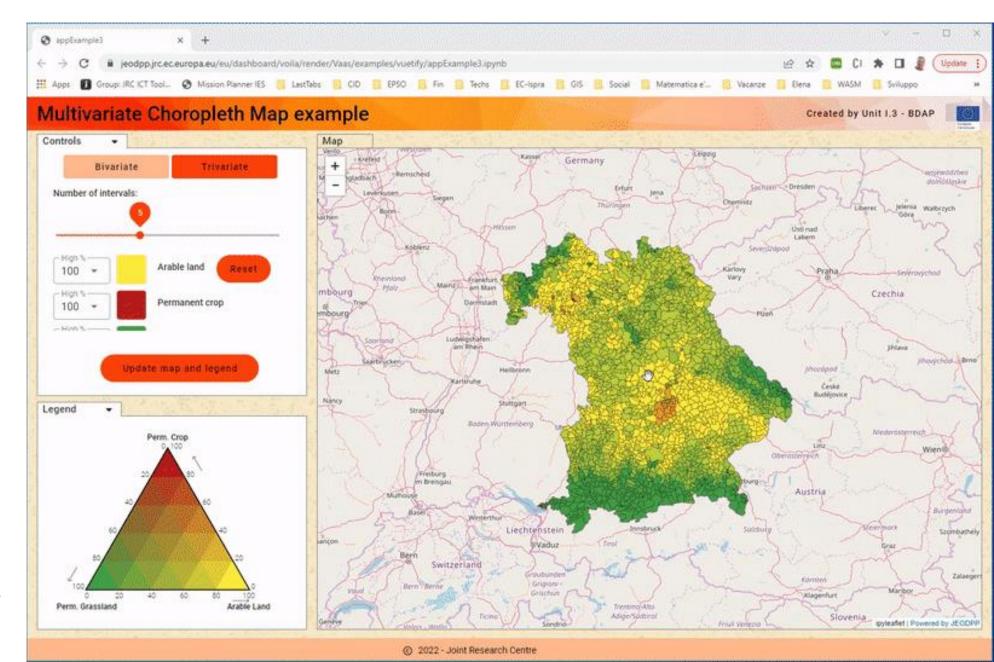
On the right an example of the Sherpa application for Air Quality monitoring



## Geo spatial

The VOIS library has some modules dedicated to geospatial data visualization

On the right an example dashboard to interactively create a bi-variate or tri-variate choropleth map, i.e. a map representation where the colors of the polygons depend on two or three data attributes



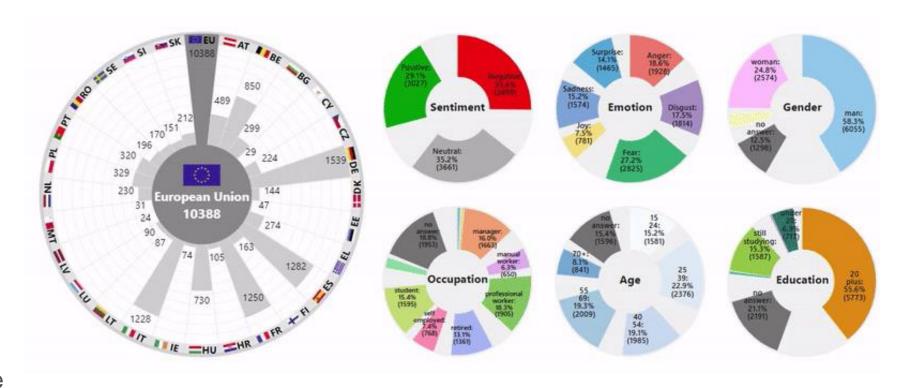
### Custom charts: SVG + ipyevents

Some time the chart you want is not available in Plotly/Bokeh/Matplotlib:

#### → SVG!

Tooltip and highlighting of elements while the mouse is moved are done by SVG/CSS instructions

Click events (that cause an update of the drawings) are managed by ipyevents





# Custom charts: SVG + ipyevents

# Display the SVG Sapture clicks the SVG Understand where the click was

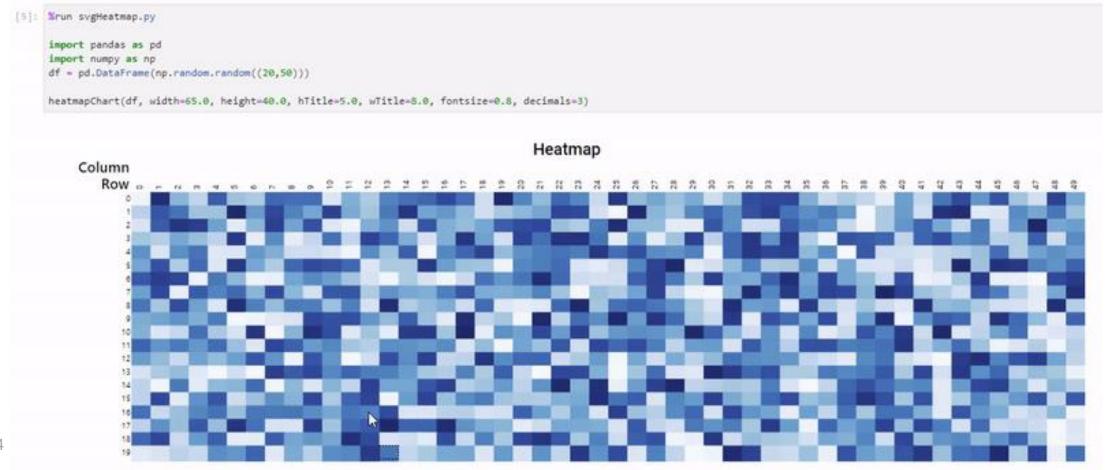
# Pseudocode used by the VOIS library:

```
[3]:
     from ipyevents import Event
     # Function called at each click
     def handle event(event):
         x = event['relativeX']
         y = event['relativeY']
         # Re-display the updated SVG...
         output.clear output(wait=True)
         with output:
             svgstr = createSVG()
             display(SVG(svgstr))
     # ipywidgets Output
     output = widgets.Output()
     # Create the Event manager
     dh = Event(source=output, watched_events=['click'])
     dh.on dom event(handle event)
     # Display the SVG in the Output
     with output:
         svgstr = createSVG()
         display(SVG(svgstr))
```

### Custom charts: SVG + ipyevents

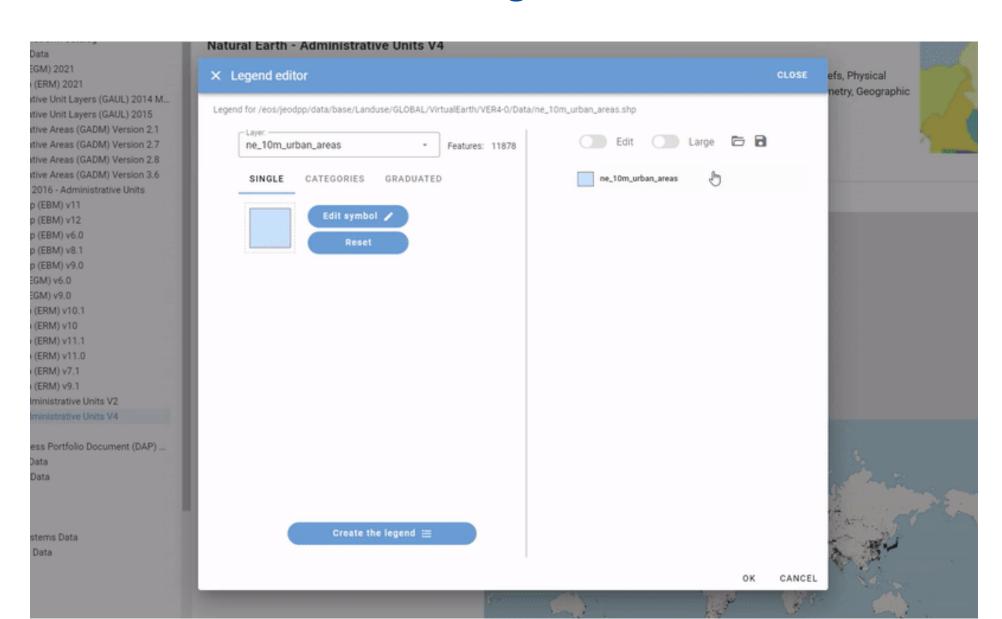
Similar example: vois.svgHeatmap.py module

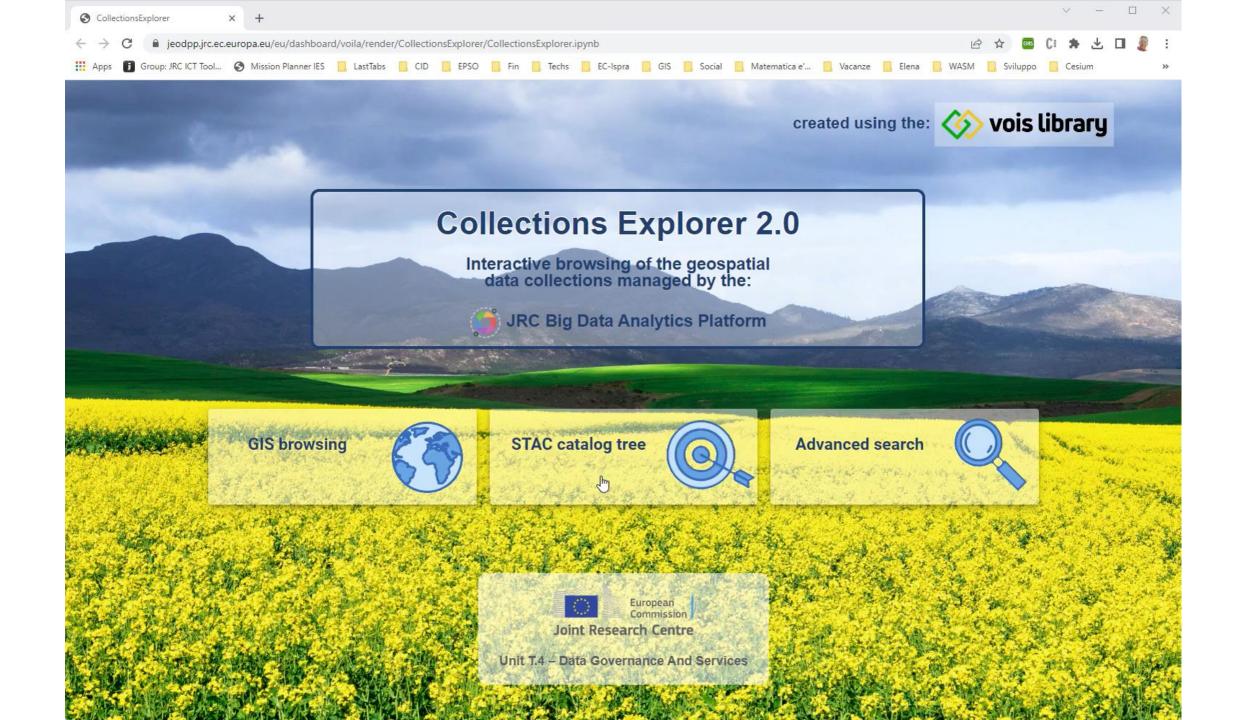
Tooltips and highlight of cells is managed by CSS, the click events are managed by ipyevents

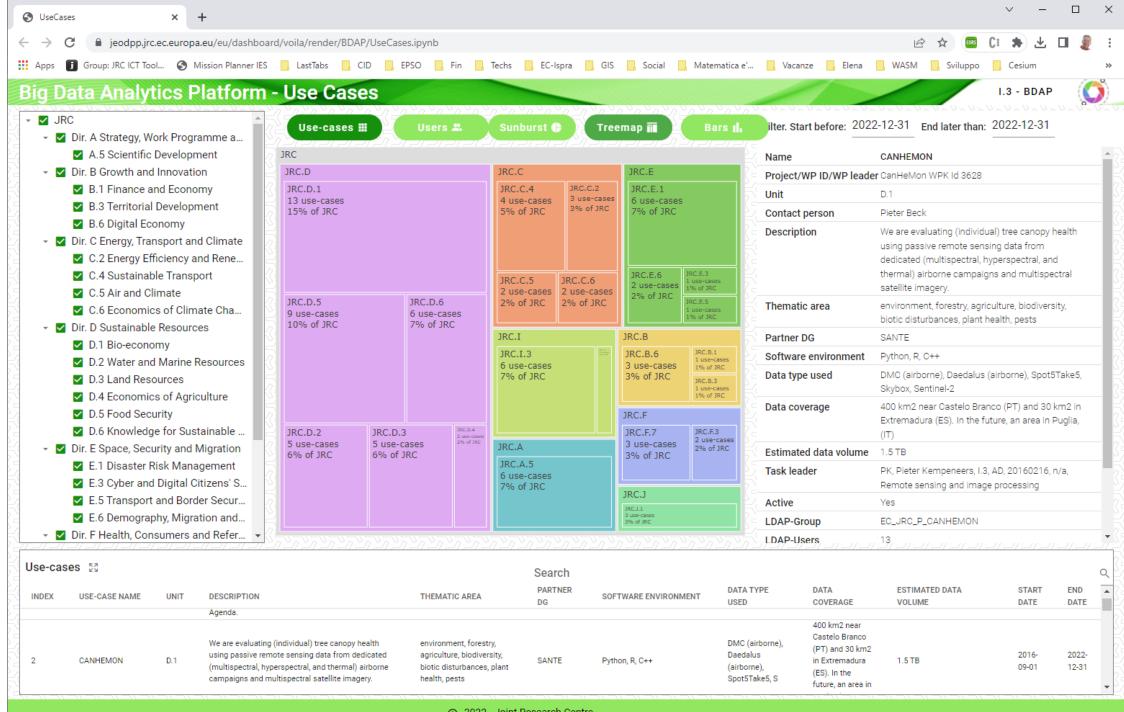


#### Cloud ←→local data exchange

Upload and download of data is possible with a dedicated widget:







#### Takeaway

- Voila' demonstrated its versatility in both allowing for quick&dirty notebook conversion and in creating fully fledged web applications
- VOIS library is used inside the European Commission BDAP Cloud Platform to communicate scientific results to a wider audience
- It greatly expands the capacity of Voilà and of the standard widgets library to visually present and interact with complex datasets
- It favors code reuse and sharing amont data scientist/devevopers
- It will be soon available as an open source library on the <a href="https://code.europa.eu">https://code.europa.eu</a> EC gitlab repository



# Thank you

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