

Patrolling Emission in China

The Carbon Cops

Andrew Goetz, Nathan Evans, Emily Arnold, Evans Bowyer, Kaleb Sims



Emily Arnold - Scrum Master

- Graduated from Auburn High School, Auburn, Alabama.
- Pursuing an Aerospace Engineering degree from Auburn University.
- Also, pursuing a minor in Aviation Management.
- Desires to work for a Aeronautical Company post graduation.



Andrew Goetz - Product Owner

- Graduated from Sparkman High School, Huntsville, Alabama.
- Pursuing a Applied Mathematics degree from Auburn University.
- Also, pursuing a minor in Statistics.
- Desires a secondary degree and data science career post graduation.



Nathan Evans - Developer

- Graduated from Muscle Shoals High School, Muscle Shoals, Alabama.
- Pursuing a Computer Science degree from Auburn University.
- Desires to work in the field of computer science post graduation.



Evans Bowers - Developer

- Graduated from Boone High School in Orlando, FL
- Pursuing a Computer Science degree from Auburn University.
- Desires to work for an open-source based company post graduation.



Kaleb Sims - Developer

- Graduated from Wetumpka High School, Elmore, Alabama.
- Pursuing a Computer Engineering degree from Auburn University.
- Desires to work for a computer hardware company post graduation.



Project Overview

- Visualize air pollution's severity and extent in China.
- Use data analysis and interactive maps and graphs.
- Highlight sources of pollution and impact on health.
- Show effectiveness of policies and regulations.
- Educate Chinese government and the public on urgency of action.



Air Pollution...

- Is contamination of air by chemical, physical, or biological agents
- Modifies the natural characteristic of the environment
- Negatively affects earth's climate and ecosystems globally



Air Pollution Gases

- The carbon oxides: carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide
- Nitrogen oxides and nitrogen dioxide
- Sulfur oxides and sulfur dioxide



What Causes Air Pollution?

- Energy use and production
- Transportation emissions
- Electricity and heating homes
- By products of manufacturing and burning coal
- Fumes from chemical production



Why is Air Pollution Bad?

Impact on Humans

- When breathing in polluted air it enters lungs and bloodstream
- Shortness of breath, wheezing, coughing, chest pain, fatigue, sore throat
- Cardiovascular, heart disease, asthma, COPD



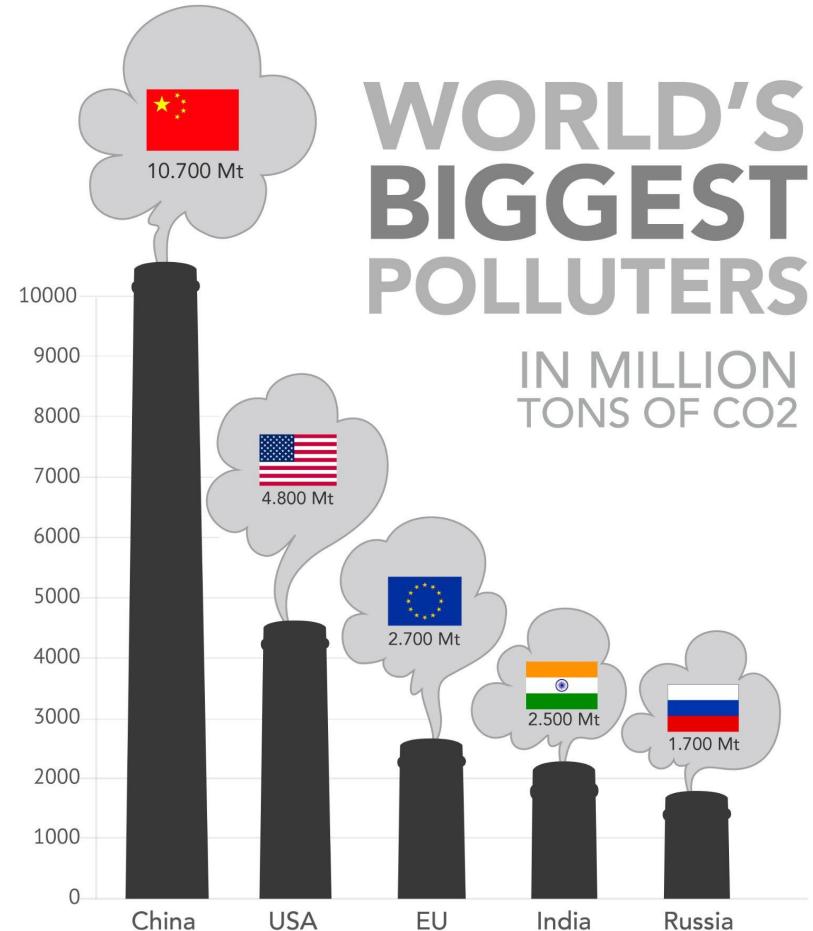
Why is Air Pollution Bad?

Impact on World

- Contaminates water and soil
- Kills plants and animals that rely on these resources
- Promotes global warming



China is one of
the **BIGGEST**
contributors to
air pollution



China

- Located in East Asia spanning Kazakhstan to the Pacific Ocean.
- The most populous country with 1.4 billion people.
- The largest manufacturer and exporter in the world
- China has a major air pollution problem



China's Air Pollution Problem

- Biggest contributors: burning coal in factories, power plants, and vehicles
- Citizens life expectancies are suffering from air pollution
- Pollution monitors readings reached 30-45 times recommended daily levels



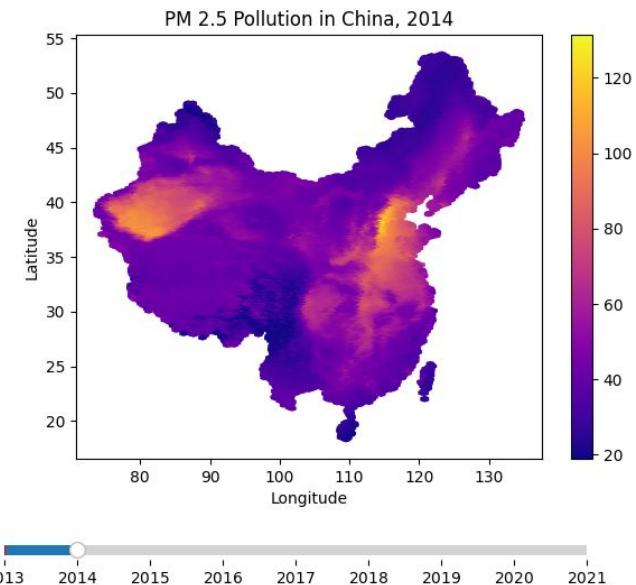
China's War Against Pollution

- Public concern rose in the late 1990's
- Began the war in 2014
- National Air Quality Action Plan projected to improve quality by 2017
- Focus on combating the heaviest polluted areas first



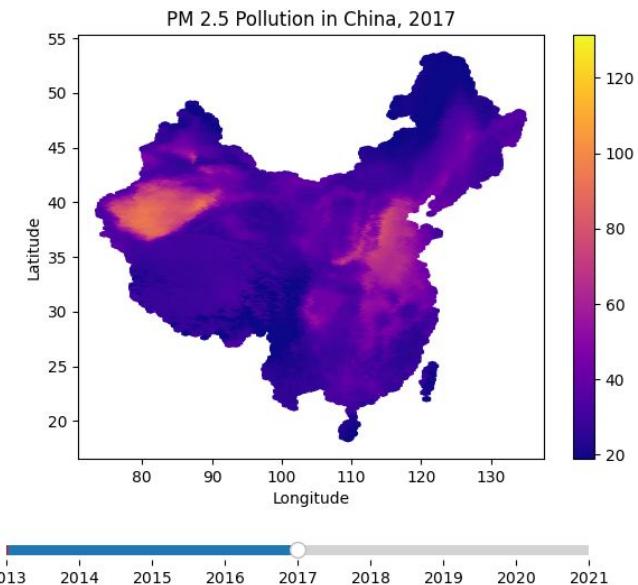
China's Clean Air Act

- Cut down coal-power plants
- Increase renewable energy generation
- Reduce iron and steel making capacity in industry
- Declined by an average of 39.6 percent
- Has not been in top five since 2016



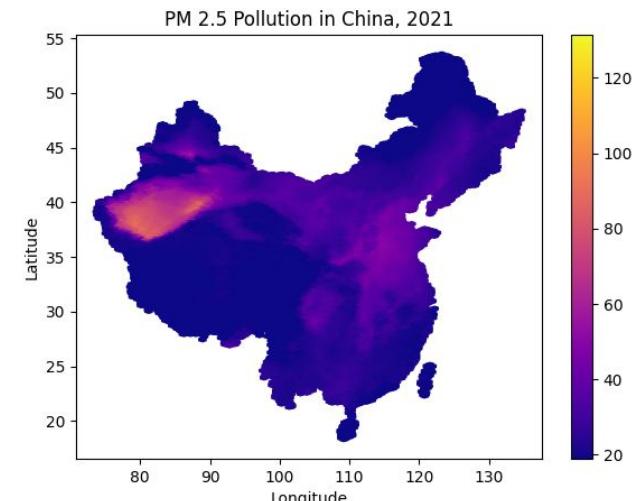
China's Clean Air Act

- Cut down coal-power plants
- Increase renewable energy generation
- Reduce iron and steel making capacity in industry
- Declined by an average of 39.6 percent
- Has not been in top five since 2016



China's Clean Air Act

- Cut down coal-power plants
- Increase renewable energy generation
- Reduce iron and steel making capacity in industry
- Declined by an average of 39.6 percent
- Has not been in top five since 2016



How it fits China's CVDs

- Air pollution laws are long term plans
- The government enacts these laws fitting the high power distance



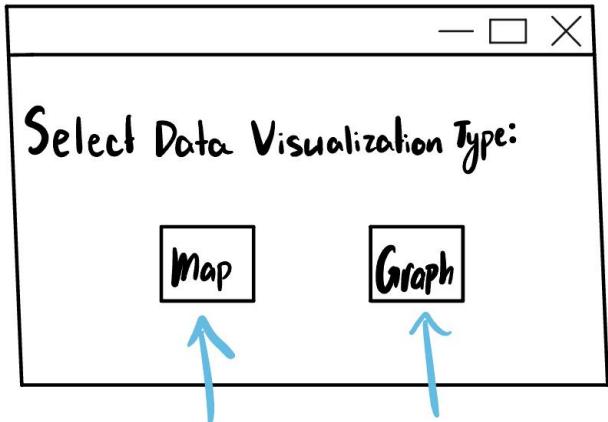
Goals of Project Code

- Visualize air pollution severity and extent in China.
- Employ data analysis techniques.
- Develop interactive maps and graphs.



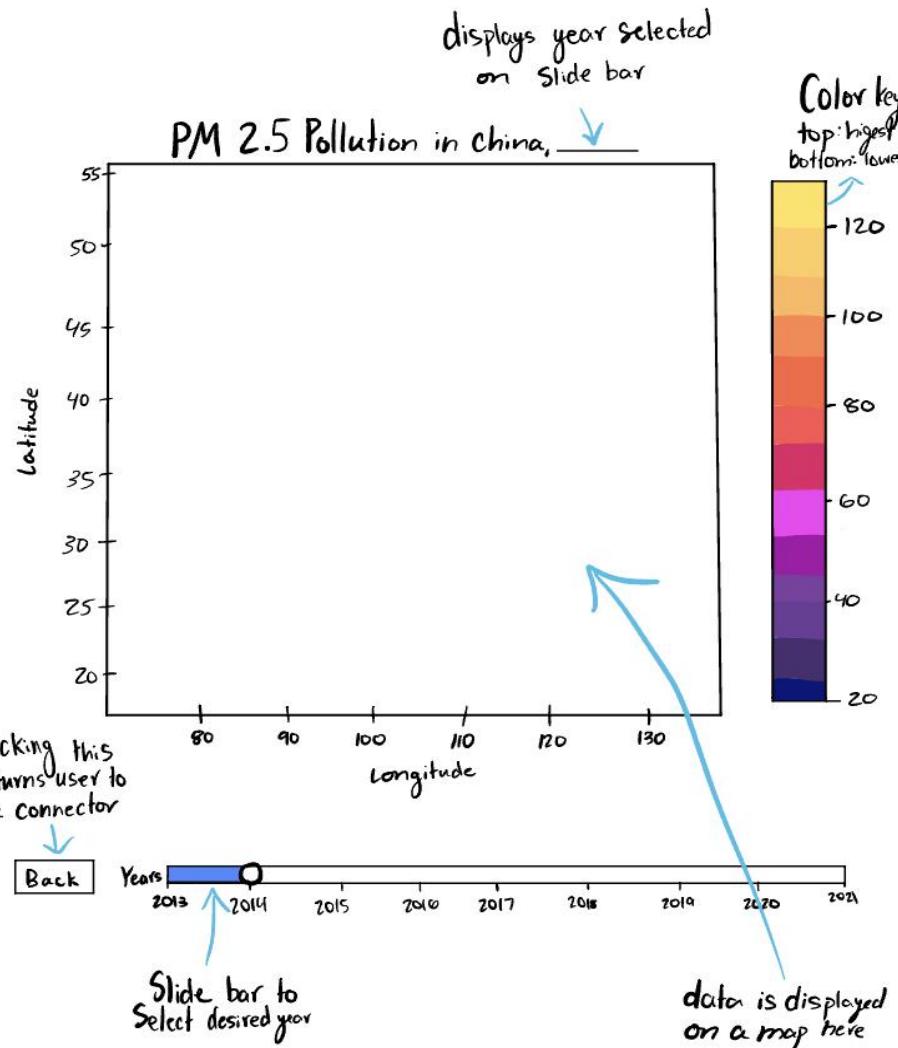
Design Diagrams

Connector



Selecting this takes user to map

Selecting this takes user to Data Selector



Design Diagrams

Data Selector

Patrolling Emission in...

Graph:

Select Air Pollutant:

Select Station:

Submit Exit

This window allows the user to select an air pollutant and a station from dropdown menus. At the bottom, there are 'Submit' and 'Exit' buttons.

Exit Closes
out of the
GUI

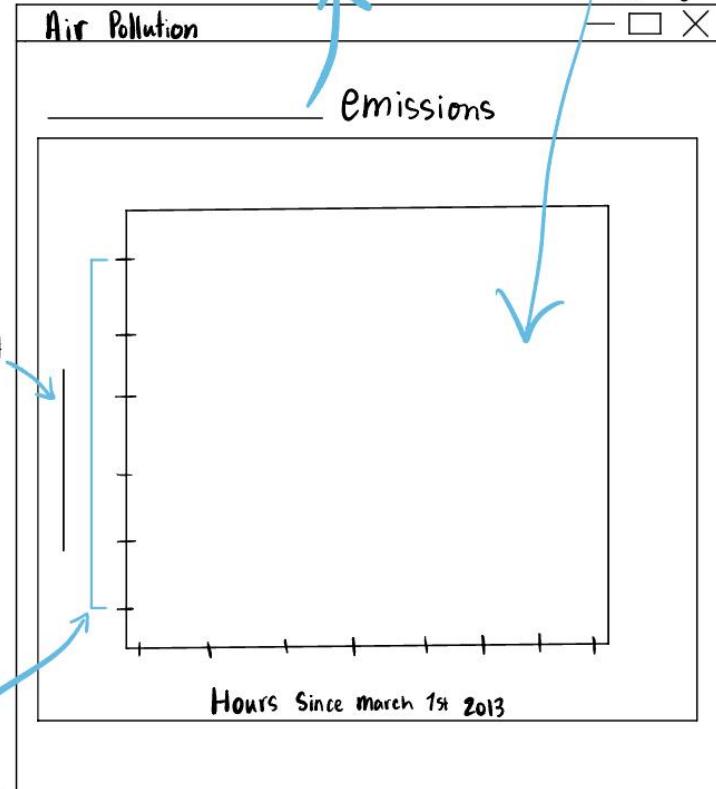
After Choosing
a Pollutant and
a Station, Clicking
Submit will load
the chart

This drop
down allows
user to chose
between Common
Pollutants

type
of pollutant

This drop
down allows
user to chose
between 12
Chinese Station

Amount
of Pollutant



Demo

Progression of the graph

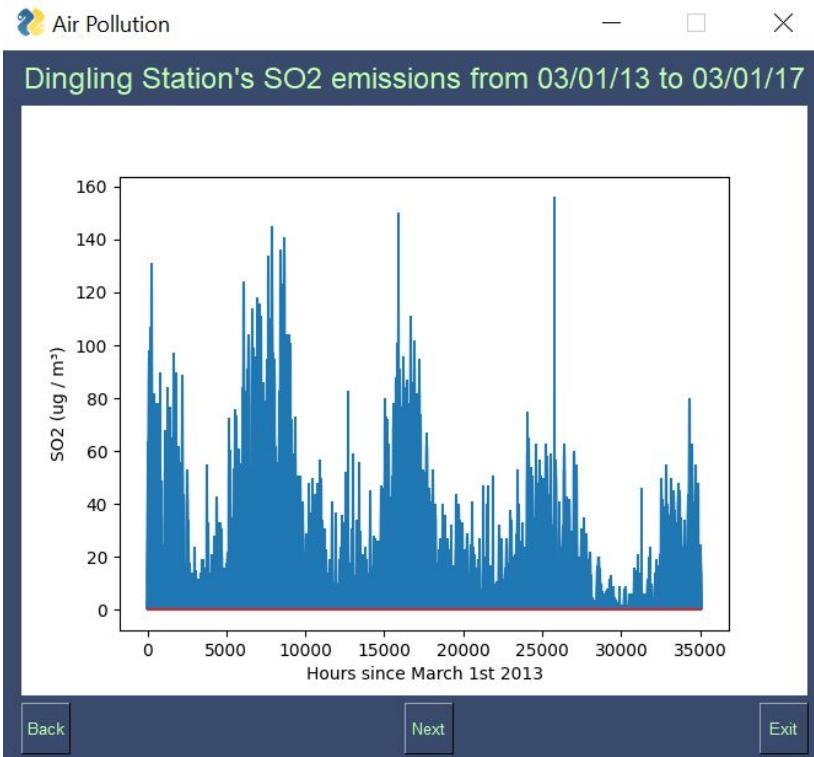
3/23 Formulated idea

3/28  Created original graph code

4/2  Optimized Code

4/6  Optimized Code

4/11  Added a back button



Progression of the interactive map

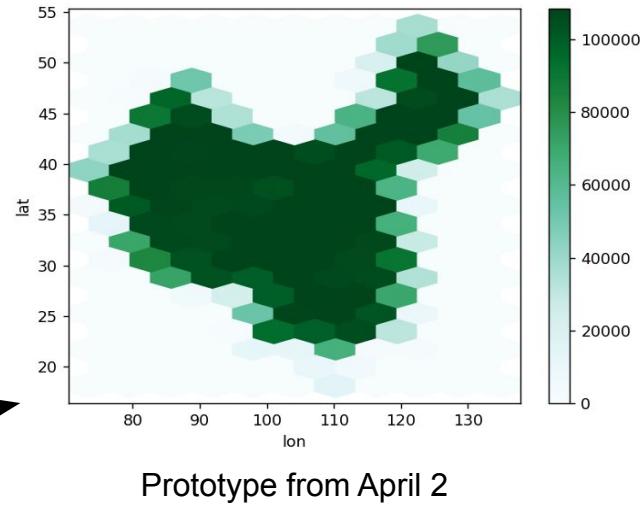
3/21 Formulated idea

3/30  Created blank graph plot

4/2  Added map w/ data plotted

4/6  Added functional sliding bar

4/13  Added a return button



Progression of the interactive map

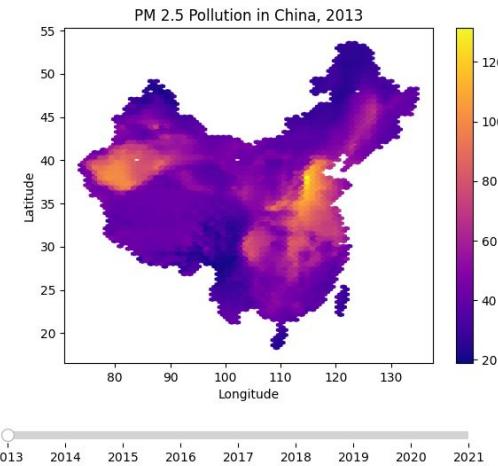
3/21 Formulated idea

3/30  Created blank graph plot

4/2  Added map w/ data plotted

4/6  Added functional sliding bar

4/13  Added a return button 



Current version as of April 13

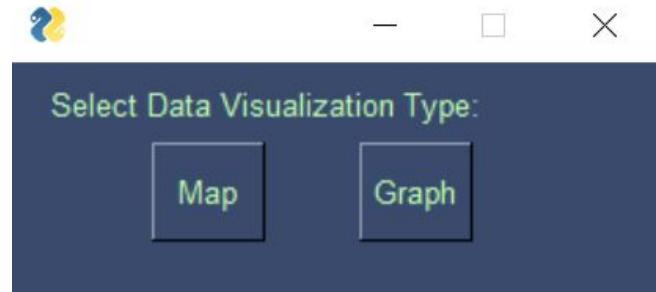


Progression of the connector

4/4 Formulated idea

4/11  Created original connector code

4/11  Optimized Code



```
import PySimpleGUI as sg
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib
from matplotlib.backends.backend_tkagg import FigureCanvasTkAgg
import pandas as pd
import os
from matplotlib.widgets import Slider, Button
import xarray as xr
```

```
def main():
    matplotlib.use('TkAgg')
    layout = [
        [sg.Text(f"Select Data Visualization Type:")],
        [sg.Button('Map', pad=((7, 10), 3), size=(5, 2)),
         sg.Button('Graph', pad=((7, 0), 3), size=(5, 2))]
    ]
    window = sg.Window('', layout, size=(300, 150))
    event, values = window.read()

    while event:
        if event == sg.WINDOW_CLOSE_ATTEMPTED_EVENT or event == 'Exit':
            exit()
        if event == 'Graph':
            window.close()
            del window
            os.system('maingraphs.py')
            break
        if event == 'Map':
            window.close()
            del window
            os.system('intmap.py')
            os.system('connector.py')
            break
```



Creates a GUI interface that
accepts user input

```
def main():
    matplotlib.use('TkAgg')
    layout = [
        [sg.Text(f"Select Data Visualization Type:")],
        [sg.Button('Map', pad=((7, 10), 3), size=(5, 2)),
         sg.Button('Graph', pad=((7, 0), 3), size=(5, 2))]
    ]
    window = sg.Window('', layout, size=(300, 150))
    event, values = window.read()
    while event:
        if event == sg.WINDOW_CLOSE_ATTEMPTED_EVENT or event == 'Exit':
            exit()
        if event == 'Graph':
            window.close()
            del window
            os.system('maingraphs.py')
            break
        if event == 'Map':
            window.close()
            del window
            os.system('intmap.py')
            os.system('connector.py')
            break
```

Loop that assigns functions to the buttons



```
def create_map():
    datasets = {}
    for year in range(2013, 2022):
        filename = f"data/PM_2.5/CHAP_PM2.5_Y1K_{year}_V4.nc"
        df = xr.open_dataset(filename).to_dataframe().reset_index(drop=False).dropna()
        df = df.iloc[::500, :]
        datasets[year] = pd.DataFrame(df.values, columns=df.columns).dropna()

    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8,6), num='PM 2.5 Pollution in China')
    init_yr = 2013
    df = datasets[init_yr]
    hb = df.plot.hexbin(x='lon', y='lat', ax=ax, C='PM2.5', gridsize=(60,60),
                         cmap='plasma', title=f'PM 2.5 Pollution in China, {init_yr}',
                         xlabel='Longitude', ylabel='Latitude')
    plt.subplots_adjust(left=0.25, bottom=0.25)
    yr_ax = fig.add_axes([0.17, 0.1, 0.65, 0.03])
    yr_slider = Slider(ax=yr_ax, label='Year', valmin=2013, valmax=2021,
                        valinit=2013, valstep=1)
    yr_slider.valtext.set_visible(False)
    yr_ax.add_artist(yr_ax.xaxis)
    yr_ticks = range(2013, 2022)
    yr_ax.set_xticks(yr_ticks)
    back_ax = fig.add_axes([0.03, 0.09, 0.08, 0.05])
    back = Button(back_ax, "Back")
```

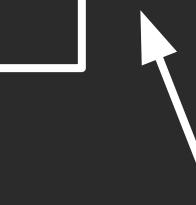
```
def create_map():
    datasets = {}
    for year in range(2013, 2022):
        filename = f"data/PM_2.5/CHAP_PM2.5_Y1K_{year}_V4.nc"
        df = xr.open_dataset(filename).to_dataframe().reset_index(drop=False).dropna()
        df = df.iloc[::500, :]
        datasets[year] = pd.DataFrame(df.values, columns=df.columns).dropna()
```

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8,6), num='PM 2.5 Pollution in China')
init_yr = 2013
df = datasets[init_yr]
hb = df.plot.hexbin(x='lon', y='lat', ax=ax, C='PM2.5', gridsize=(60,60),
                     cmap='plasma', title=f'PM 2.5 Pollution in China, {init_yr}',
                     xlabel='Longitude', ylabel='Latitude')
plt.subplots_adjust(left=0.25, bottom=0.25)
yr_ax = fig.add_axes([0.17, 0.1, 0.65, 0.03])
yr_slider = Slider(ax=yr_ax, label='Year', valmin=2013, valmax=2021,
                   valinit=2013, valstep=1)
yr_slider.valtext.set_visible(False)
yr_ax.add_artist(yr_ax.xaxis)
yr_ticks = range(2013, 2022)
yr_ax.set_xticks(yr_ticks)
back_ax = fig.add_axes([0.03, 0.09, 0.08, 0.05])
back = Button(back_ax, "Back")
```

Loads datasets into pandas
dataframe

```
def create_map():
    datasets = {}
    for year in range(2013, 2022):
        filename = f"data/PM_2.5/CHAP_PM2.5_Y1K_{year}_V4.nc"
        df = xr.open_dataset(filename).to_dataframe().reset_index(drop=False).dropna()
        df = df.iloc[::500, :]
        datasets[year] = pd.DataFrame(df.values, columns=df.columns).dropna()
```

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8,6), num='PM 2.5 Pollution in China')
init_yr = 2013
df = datasets[init_yr]
hb = df.plot.hexbin(x='lon', y='lat', ax=ax, C='PM2.5', gridsize=(60,60),
                     cmap='plasma', title=f'PM 2.5 Pollution in China, {init_yr}',
                     xlabel='Longitude', ylabel='Latitude')
plt.subplots_adjust(left=0.25, bottom=0.25)
yr_ax = fig.add_axes([0.17, 0.1, 0.65, 0.03])
yr_slider = Slider(ax=yr_ax, label='Year', valmin=2013, valmax=2021,
                   valinit=2013, valstep=1)
yr_slider.valtext.set_visible(False)
yr_ax.add_artist(yr_ax.xaxis)
yr_ticks = range(2013, 2022)
yr_ax.set_xticks(yr_ticks)
back_ax = fig.add_axes([0.03, 0.09, 0.08, 0.05])
back = Button(back_ax, "Back")
```



Creates hexbin plot
from df

```
def create_map():
    datasets = {}
    for year in range(2013, 2022):
        filename = f"data/PM_2.5/CHAP_PM2.5_Y1K_{year}_V4.nc"
        df = xr.open_dataset(filename).to_dataframe().reset_index(drop=False).dropna()
        df = df.iloc[::500, :]
        datasets[year] = pd.DataFrame(df.values, columns=df.columns).dropna()

    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8,6), num='PM 2.5 Pollution in China')
    init_yr = 2013
    df = datasets[init_yr]
    hb = df.plot.hexbin(x='lon', y='lat', ax=ax, C='PM2.5', gridsize=(60,60),
                         cmap='plasma', title=f'PM 2.5 Pollution in China, {init_yr}',
                         xlabel='Longitude', ylabel='Latitude')
    plt.subplots_adjust(left=0.25, bottom=0.25)

    yr_ax = fig.add_axes([0.17, 0.1, 0.65, 0.03])
    yr_slider = Slider(ax=yr_ax, label='Year', valmin=2013, valmax=2021,
                       valinit=2013, valstep=1)
    yr_slider.valtext.set_visible(False)
    yr_ax.add_artist(yr_ax.xaxis)
    yr_ticks = range(2013, 2022)
    yr_ax.set_xticks(yr_ticks)
    back_ax = fig.add_axes([0.03, 0.09, 0.08, 0.05])
    back = Button(back_ax, "Back")
```

Adds slider and back button

```
def main_graph_gui():

    width = max(map(len, selection)) + 1
    matplotlib.use('TkAgg')

    # define GUI elements and window
    layout = [
        [sg.Text('Graph:')],

        [sg.Text('Select Air Pollutant:', size=(17, 1)),
         sg.Combo(types, size=(width, 5), enable_events=False, key='-type-')],

        [sg.Text('Select Station:', size=(17, 1)),
         sg.Combo(selection, size=(width, 5), enable_events=False, key='-city-')],

        [sg.Button('Back', size=(4, 2)), sg.Submit(), sg.Button('Exit')]
    ]
    window = sg.Window('Patrolling Emission in China', layout, size=(330, 120))
    event, values = window.read()

    if event == sg.WINDOW_CLOSE_ATTEMPTED_EVENT or event == 'Exit':
        exit()
    if event == 'Back':
        window.close()
        os.system('python connector.py')
        exit()

    airp = values['-type-']
    city = values['-city-']

    # close selection window and draw graph
    window.close()
    create_graph(city, airp)
```

```
def main_graph_gui():

    width = max(map(len, selection)) + 1
    matplotlib.use('TkAgg')

    # define GUI elements and window
    layout = [
        [sg.Text('Graph:')],
        [sg.Text('Select Air Pollutant:', size=(17, 1)),
         sg.Combo(types, size=(width, 5), enable_events=False, key='-type-')],
        [sg.Text('Select Station:', size=(17, 1)),
         sg.Combo(selection, size=(width, 5), enable_events=False, key='-city-')],
        [sg.Button('Back', size=(4, 2)), sg.Submit(), sg.Button('Exit')]
    ]
    window = sg.Window('Patrolling Emission in China', layout, size=(330, 120))
    event, values = window.read()

if event == sg.WINDOW_CLOSE_ATTEMPTED_EVENT or event == 'Exit':
    exit()
if event == 'Back':
    window.close()
```

Creates a GUI interface that accepts user input

```
[sg.Combo(types, size=(width, 5), enable_events=False, key='-type-')],  
  
[sg.Text('Select Station:', size=(17, 1)),  
 sg.Combo(selection, size=(width, 5), enable_events=False, key='-city-')],  
  
[sg.Button('Back', size=(4, 2)), sg.Submit(), sg.Button('Exit')]  
]  
  
window = sg.Window('Patrolling Emission in China', layout, size=(330, 120))  
event, values = window.read()
```

```
if event == sg.WINDOW_CLOSE_ATTEMPTED_EVENT or event == 'Exit':  
    exit()  
if event == 'Back':  
    window.close()  
    os.system('python connector.py')  
    exit()
```

```
airp = values['-type-']  
city = values['-city-']
```

```
# close selection window and draw graph  
window.close()  
create_graph(city, airp)
```



Assigns functions to the buttons

```
[sg.Text('Select Air Type', size=(17, 1)),
 sg.Combo(types, size=(width, 5), enable_events=False, key='-type-')],  
  
[sg.Text('Select Station:', size=(17, 1)),
 sg.Combo(selection, size=(width, 5), enable_events=False, key='-city-')],  
  
[sg.Button('Back', size=(4, 2)), sg.Submit(), sg.Button('Exit')]  
]  
  
window = sg.Window('Patrolling Emission in China', layout, size=(330, 120))  
event, values = window.read()  
  
if event == sg.WINDOW_CLOSE_ATTEMPTED_EVENT or event == 'Exit':  
    exit()  
if event == 'Back':  
    window.close()  
    os.system('python connector.py')  
    exit()
```

```
airp = values['-type-']
city = values['-city-']

# close selection window and draw graph
window.close()
create_graph(city, airp)
```

Assigns values from user input



```
def make_graph(city, airp):  
  
    file = pd.read_csv(f'Graphdata/PRSA_Data_{city}_20130301-20170228.csv')  
  
    x_axis = file['No']  
    y_axis = file[airp]  
  
    plt.stem(x_axis, y_axis, markerfmt=" ")  
    plt.xlabel("Hours since March 1st 2013")  
    plt.ylabel(f'{airp} (\u00b5g / m\u00b3)')  
  
    return plt.gcf()
```



Reads data file

```
def make_graph(city, airp):  
  
    file = pd.read_csv(f'Graphdata/PRSA_Data_{city}_20130301-20170228.csv')  
  
    x_axis = file['No']  
    y_axis = file[airp]  
  
    plt.stem(x_axis, y_axis, markerfmt=" ")  
    plt.xlabel("Hours since March 1st 2013")  
    plt.ylabel(f'{airp} (\u00b5g / m\u00b3)')  
  
    return plt.gcf()
```



Creates graphs using user input

```
def create_graph(city, airp):
    if city == "All":
        for i in range(1, 13):
            cityname = selection[i]
            plot = make_graph(cityname, airp)
            create_all_graphs_gui(plot, cityname, airp)
            plt.clf()
    else:
        plot = make_graph(city, airp)
        create_graph_gui(plot, city, airp)
        plt.clf()
```



Runs other functions

```
def create_graph(city, airp):
    if city == "All":
        for i in range(1, 13):
            cityname = selection[i]
            plot = make_graph(cityname, airp)
            create_all_graphs_gui(plot, cityname, airp)
            plt.clf()
    else:
        plot = make_graph(city, airp)
        create_graph_gui(plot, city, airp)
        plt.clf()
```

Runs other functions




```
def create_all_graphs_gui(fig, cityname, airp):

    figure_x, figure_y, figure_w, figure_h = fig.bbox.bounds
    layout = [
        [sg.Text(f'{cityname} Station's {airp} emissions from 03/01/13 to 03/01/17", font='Any 18')],

        [sg.Canvas(size=(figure_w, figure_h), key='canvas')],

        [sg.Button('Back', size=(4, 2)),
         sg.Button('Next', pad=((figure_w / 2.4, 0), 2), size=(4, 2)),
         sg.Button('Exit', pad=((figure_w / 2.57, 0), 2), size=(4, 2))]
    ]

    window = sg.Window('Air Pollution', layout, force_toplevel=True,
                        finalize=True, enable_close_attempted_event=True)
    draw_figure(window['canvas'].TKCanvas, fig)
    event, values = window.read()
```

```
while event:

    if event == 'Back':
        window.close()
        plt.clf()
        del window
        main_graph_gui()
        break

    if event == sg.WINDOW_CLOSE_ATTEMPTED_EVENT or event == 'Exit':
```



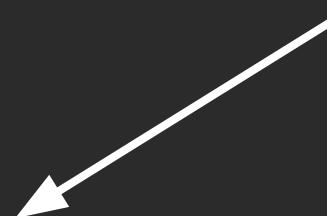
Creates the GUI for all of the stations

```
[sg.Button('Back', size=(4, 2)),  
 sg.Button('Next', pad=((figure_w / 2.4, 0), 2), size=(4, 2)),  
 sg.Button('Exit', pad=((figure_w / 2.57, 0), 2), size=(4, 2))]  
]
```

```
window = sg.Window('Air Pollution', layout, force_toplevel=True,  
                    finalize=True, enable_close_attempted_event=True)  
draw_figure(window['canvas'].TKCanvas, fig)  
event, values = window.read()
```

```
while event:  
  
    if event == 'Back':  
        window.close()  
        plt.clf()  
        del window  
        main_graph_gui()  
        break  
  
    if event == sg.WINDOW_CLOSE_ATTEMPTED_EVENT or event == 'Exit':  
        exit()  
  
    if event == 'Next':  
        plt.clf()  
        window.close()  
        break
```

Loop that assigns functions to the buttons



```
def create_graph_gui(fig, city, airp):  
  
    figure_x, figure_y, figure_w, figure_h = fig.bbox.bounds  
  
    layout = [  
        sg.Text(f'{city} Station's {airp} emissions from 03/01/13 to 03/01/17", font='Any 18')],  
  
        [sg.Canvas(size=(figure_w, figure_h), key='canvas')],  
  
        [sg.Button('Back', size=(4, 2)),  
         sg.Button('Exit', pad=((figure_w / 1.152), 0), 3), size=(4, 2))]  
    ]  
  
    window = sg.Window('Air Pollution', layout, force_toplevel=True,  
                       finalize=True, enable_close_attempted_event=True)  
draw_figure(window['canvas'].TKCanvas, fig)  
event, values = window.read()  
  
while event:  
  
    if event == 'Back':  
        window.close()  
        plt.clf()  
        del window  
        main_graph_gui()  
        break  
  
    elif event == sg.WINDOW_CLOSE_ATTEMPTED_EVENT or event == 'Exit':  
        exit()
```

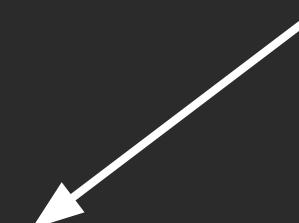


Creates the GUI for one of the stations

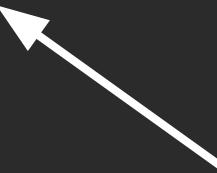
```
def create_graph_gui(fig, city, airp):  
  
    figure_x, figure_y, figure_w, figure_h = fig.bbox.bounds  
  
    layout = [  
        sg.Text(f'{city} Station's {airp} emissions from 03/01/13 to 03/01/17", font='Any 18')],  
  
        [sg.Canvas(size=(figure_w, figure_h), key='canvas')],  
  
        [sg.Button('Back', size=(4, 2)),  
         sg.Button('Exit', pad=((figure_w / 1.152), 0), 3), size=(4, 2))]  
    ]  
  
    window = sg.Window('Air Pollution', layout, force_toplevel=True,  
                       finalize=True, enable_close_attempted_event=True)  
    draw_figure(window['canvas'].TKCanvas, fig)  
    event, values = window.read()
```

```
while event:  
  
    if event == 'Back':  
        window.close()  
        plt.clf()  
        del window  
        main_graph_gui()  
        break  
  
    elif event == sg.WINDOW_CLOSE_ATTEMPTED_EVENT or event == 'Exit':  
        exit()
```

Loop that assigns functions to the buttons



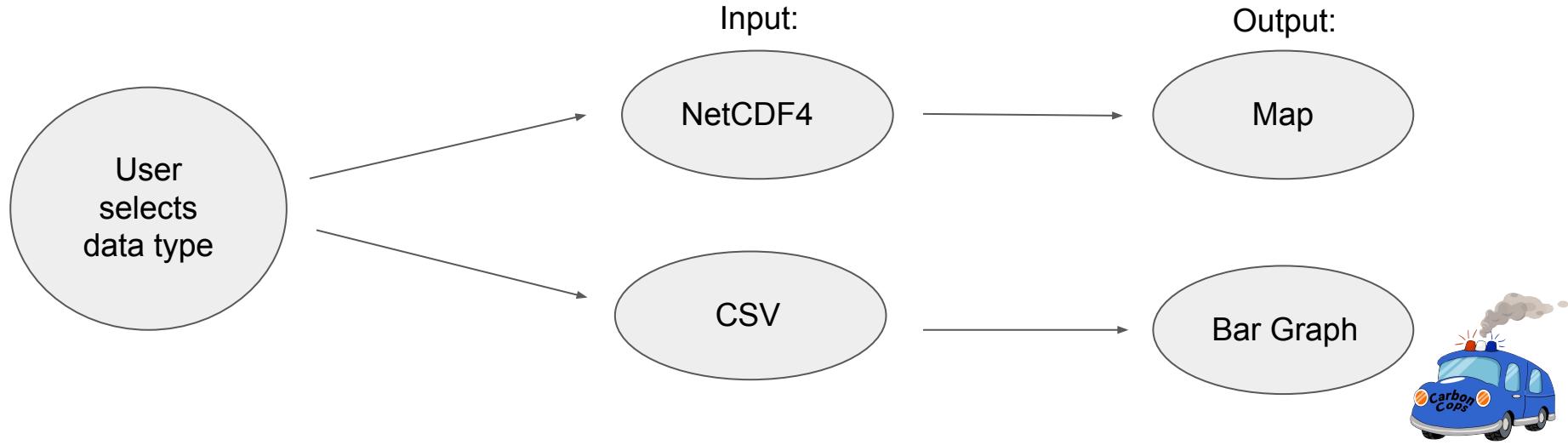
```
def draw_figure(canvas, figure):  
  
    figure_canvas_agg = FigureCanvasTkAgg(figure, canvas)  
    figure_canvas_agg.draw()  
    figure_canvas_agg.get_tk_widget().pack(side='top', fill='both', expand=1)
```



Converts matplotlib graph into a GUI figure

Data flow/inputs

- Inputs are from the csv and NetCDF4 files.
- NetCDF4 gives geographical data for the map
- csv files give data for the bar graphs
- Files are opened after the data is selected by the user



Our product's usage

1) Government

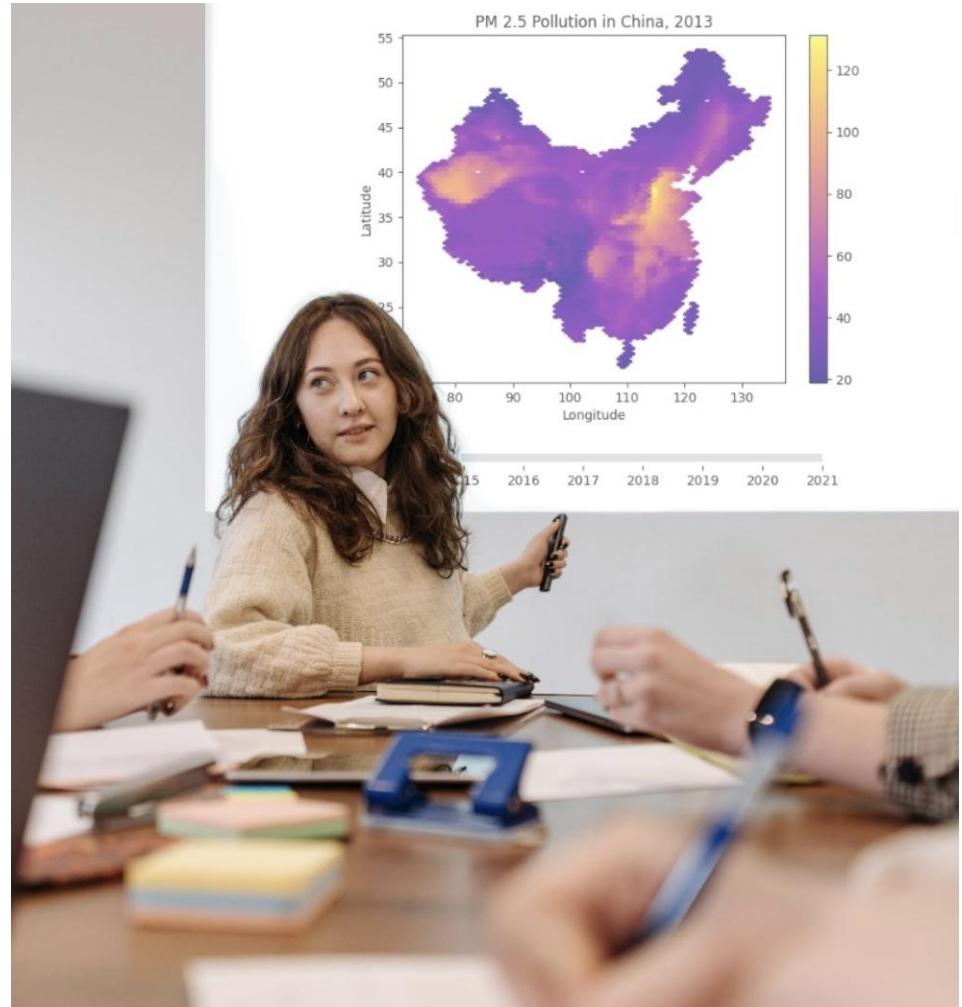
- highlight key areas of focus
- decide where to allocate resources

2) Landowners

- estimating property value

3) Home buyers

- deciding where to live



What did we accomplish?

- Created products to provide valuable insights
- Implemented a variety of tools in Python
- Gained a better understanding of Chinese culture
- Worked with effective team communication



What would we add/improve with more time?

- Insights on different kinds of pollution (CO, NO₂)
- More details on the map (specific cities or factories)
- Ability to select different pollutants on the map
- The speed and quality of the product



Sources

Data:

- Wei, Jing. "ChinaHighAirPollutants (CHAP)." *Github*, <https://weijing-rs.github.io/product.html>.
- "China Air Pollution." *Kaggle*, <https://www.kaggle.com/competitions/chinaairpollution/data>.

Other resources:

- "Aqli Policy Impacts-China: National Air Quality Action Plan (2014)." AQLI, 15 June 2022, <https://aqli.epic.uchicago.edu/policy-impacts/china-national-air-quality-action-plan-2014/>.
- Upton-McLaughlin, Sean. "Proper Character and Behavior." The China Culture Corner, 20 Feb. 2020, <https://chinaculturecorner.com/2013/06/05/proper-character-in-china/>.
- "Aqli Policy Impacts-China: National Air Quality Action Plan (2014)." AQLI, 15 June 2022, <https://aqli.epic.uchicago.edu/policy-impacts/china-national-air-quality-action-plan-2014/#:~:text=Yet%2C%20it%20hasn't%20been,taken%20after%20intense%20public%20scrutiny>.



A photograph of a city street completely obscured by thick, grey fog. The scene is filled with the headlights and taillights of numerous cars moving in both directions. Streetlights stand tall on either side of the road, their light barely visible through the haze. In the background, the faint outlines of buildings and possibly a bridge or overpass can be seen.

THANK YOU!

谢谢