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Lecture 7.6 - cuXFilter



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How to implement visualization?



cuXFilter
(ku-cross-filter)

What is cuXFilter?

- RAPIDS framework connecting web visualization to GPU accelerated cross-filtering (filtering data and having visualization tool reflect the changes)
- Inspired from Crossfilter library
- What is Crossfilter?
 - Javascript library
 - Explore multivariate datasets in browser with filtering mechanism
- Limitations of Crossfilter?
 - Data stored in client-side browser memory
 - Inefficient on large datasets

How to overcome limitations associated with large datasets?

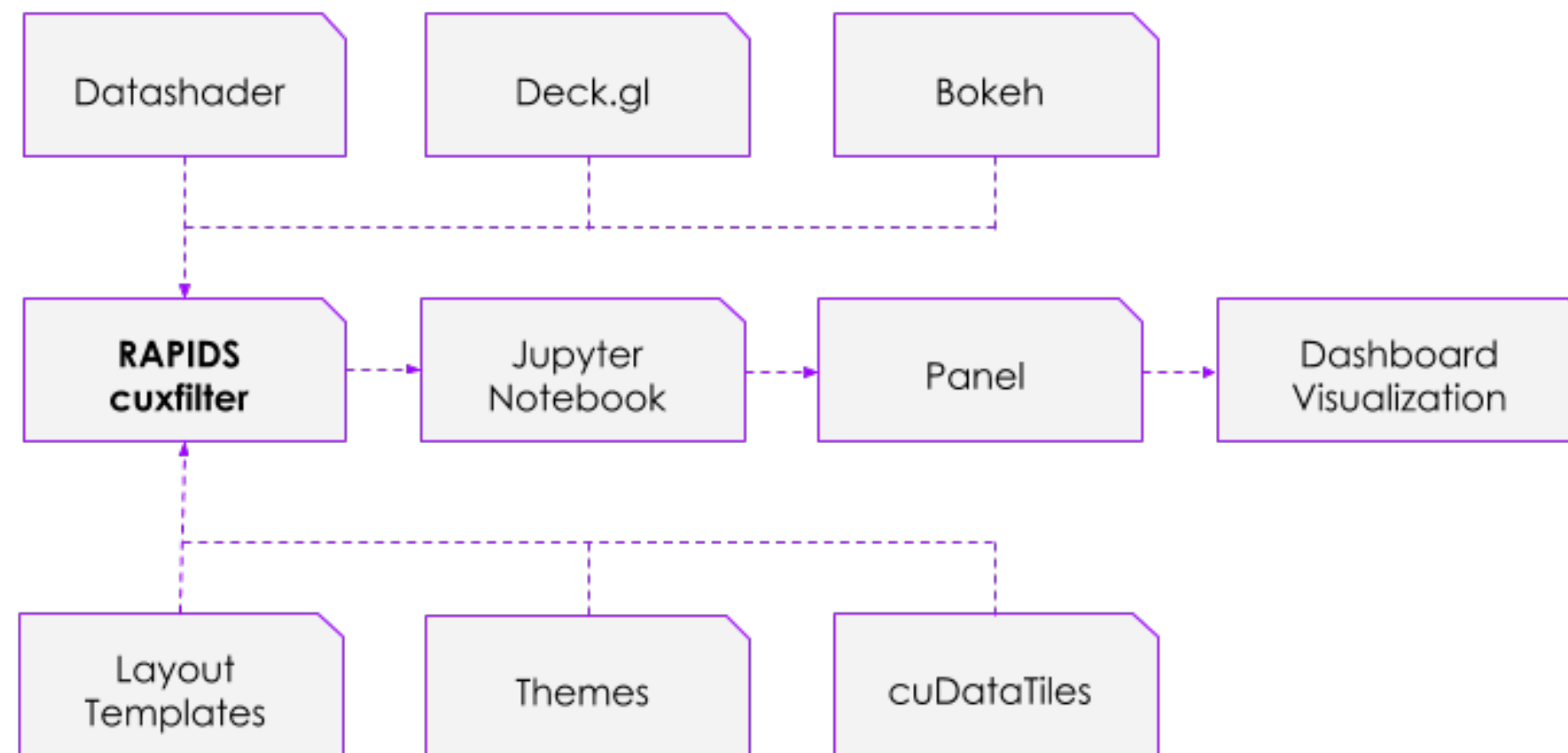
Maintain data in GPU via RAPIDS' GPU Dataframe (cuDF)

No longer dependent on browser memory

RAPIDS GPU acceleration now available

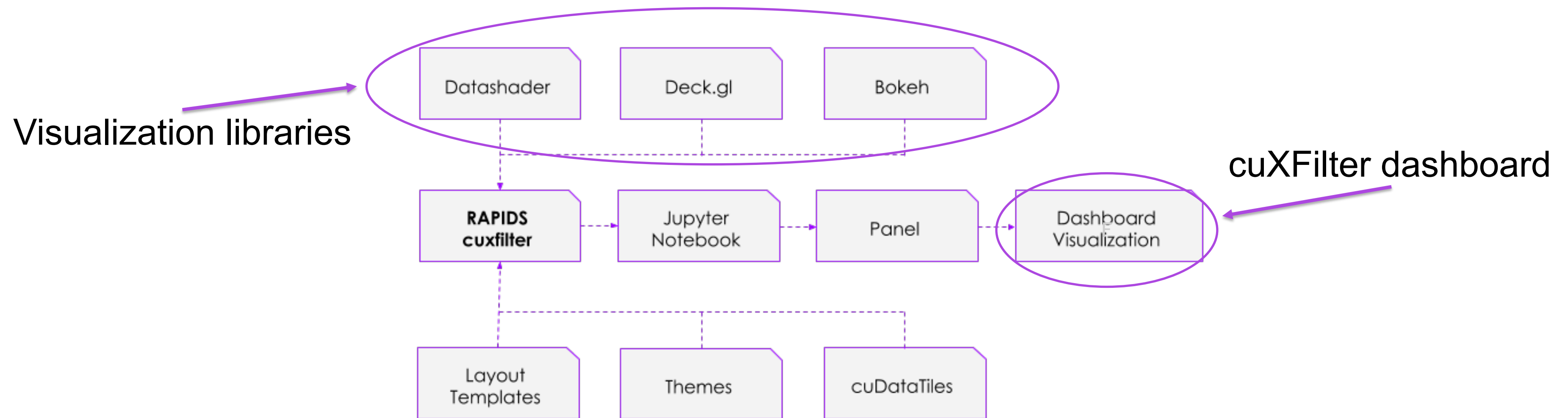
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cuXFilter Demonstration

Importing Data and Setting Up cuDF

```
import cudf

cux_df = cudf.DataFrame.from_dataframe("./path_to_dataframe")

#would display something like image from below
cux_df.data.head()
```

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2	1	10003.0	1	1	1120	8314	31	1	2017	3	...	1	1
3	1	10003.0	2	1	1120	8314	31	1	2017	3	...	1	1
4	1	10003.0	3	1	1120	8314	31	1	2017	3	...	1	1

Creating Charts Based Off Data

```
demo_palette = ["#3182bd", "#6baed6", "#7b8ed8", ... , "#323232" ]
```

```
chart1 = cuxfilter.charts.scatter(x='data_column_1',  
    y='data_column_2', aggregate_col='data_column_3',  
    aggregate_fn='mean', color_palette=demo_palette,  
    tile_provider='CARTODBPOSITRON', pixel_shade_type='linear')
```

```
chart2 = cuxfilter.charts.bar('data_column_4')
```

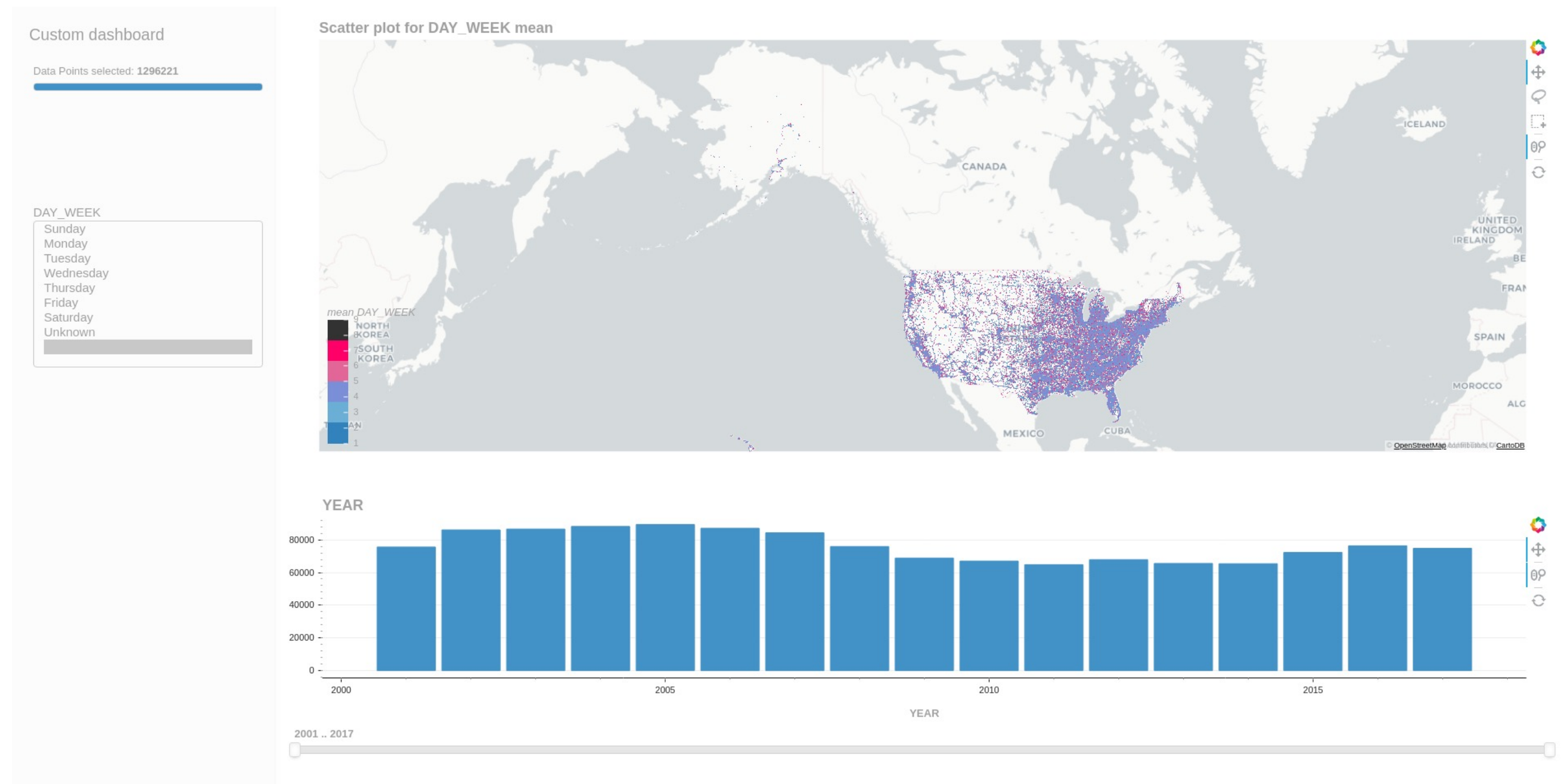
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...
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```
charts_list = [chart1, chart2, ...]
```

Viewing Dashboard with Charts

```
d = cux_df.dashboard(charts_list, title='Custom dashboard',  
    layout=layouts.feature_and_base, theme=themes.light, data_size_widget=True)
```

```
wait d.preview()
```



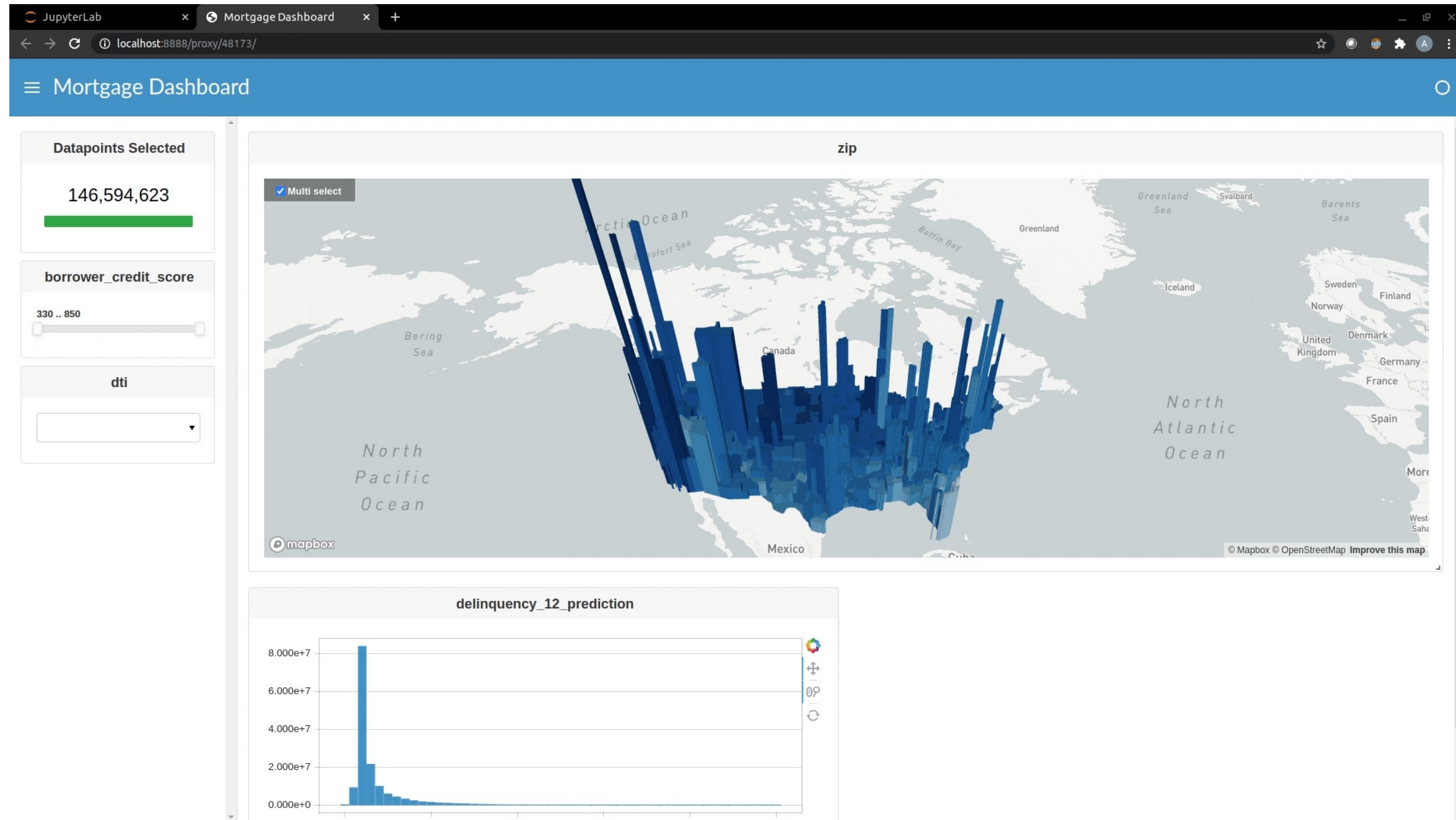
Running Dashboard and Saving Snapshot

```
#opens in new tab
d.show('current_notebook_url:current_notebook_port')

#saves snapshot as dataframe
current_state_df = d.export()

#stops server
d.stop()
```

Live Demo of cuXFilter Dashboard





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Thank You