

Data Visualization team project phase III



QS World ranked Universities & Cost of Living Index

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Project Topic



The topic of college is highly relevant to us as college students, as we seek to gain valuable insights from this project.

In this topic, we aim to explore the relationship between the QS world university rankings and the cost of living index in the locations where these universities are situated.



Project Questions



Q1:

Is there a correlation between QS university rankings and the cost of living? Including several indices such as rent index, groceries index, and restaurant price index.

QS ↔ Cost of living index

Q2:

Are universities with similar rankings also geographically close to each other?

Q3:

Which region tends to have higher rankings? (Is the distribution of rankings normally distributed?)

QS ↔ Geography

03

Project Data



Qs rank

Cost of living

Qs rank

source

- <https://www.topuniversities.com/world-university-ranking>
- <https://www.google.com/maps> (latitude, logitude)

data

- Area: Worldwide
- Time: 2023 - 2024

size

- over 500 universities, over 62 country
- 503(rows) + 500(rows)

data type

- integer, float, string

quality

- 23 missing.

variable

- institution, region, country, location code, size, focus, rank display, research, status, ar score, er score, fsr score, cpf score, ifr score, isr score, irn score, ger score, sus score, overall score, longitude, latitude

ar score	Academic Reputation
er score	Employer Reputation
fsr score	Faculty Student Ratio
cpf score	Citations per Faculty
ifr score	International Faculty Ratio
isr score	International Students Ratio
irn score	International Research Network
ger score	Employment Outcomes
sus score	Sustainability

Cost of living

source

- <https://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/rankings.jsp>

data

- Area: Worldwide
- Time: 2023 - 2024

size

- 140 countries, 540 cities

data type

- integer, float

quality

- 1 data missing.

variable

- Cost of Living Index, Rent Index, Cost of Living Plus Rent Index, Groceries Index, Restaurant Price Index, Local Purchasing Power Index

QS city



if the city exists in Cost of living

YES



Cost of Living by City
(274 + 307)

NO



Cost of Living by Country
(229 + 193)

04 System Name



UniValue

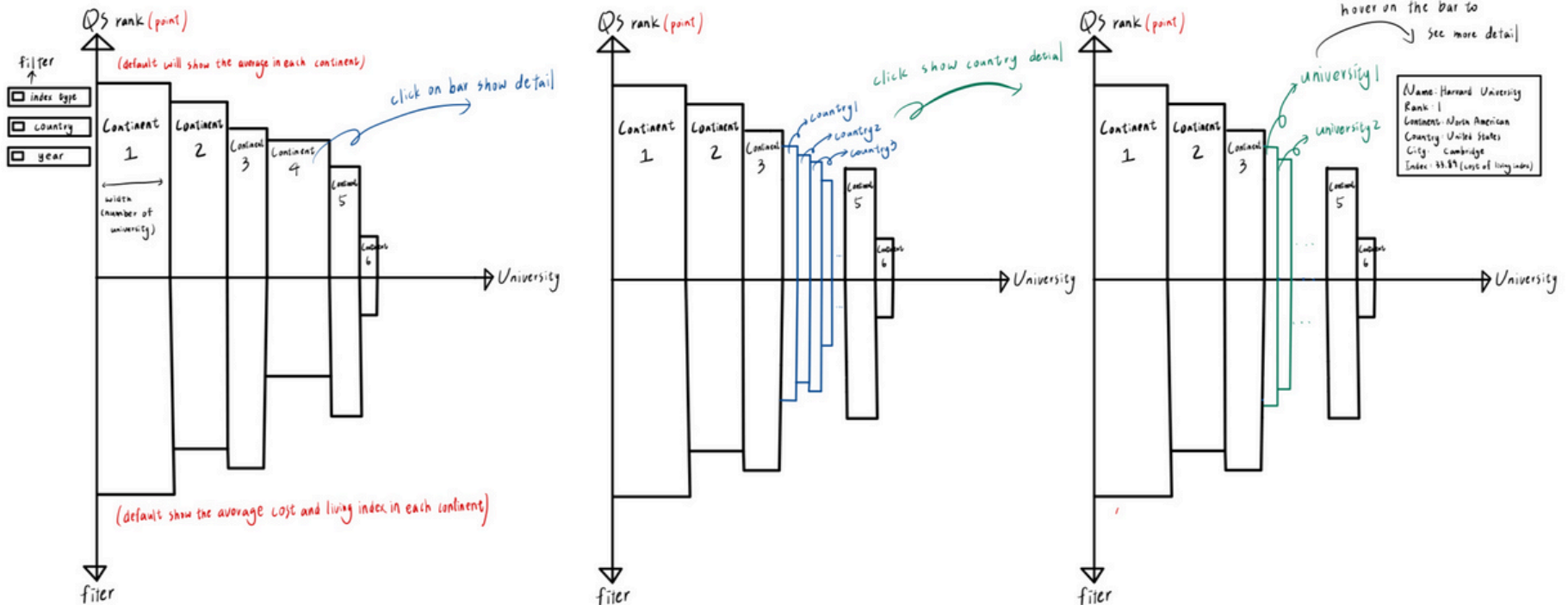


short for university provided a perspective

The name derived from two important key of our system:

1. **Uni** : Short for “**university**”, indicates that the system is focused on education institution.
2. **Value** : We’re evaluating universities based on both QS rankings and other living costs, which provided a **perspective**.

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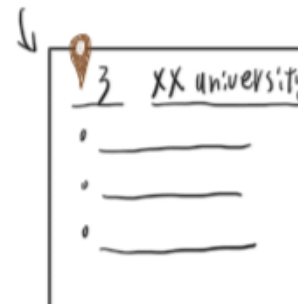
Adding layers to map to provide context.

layers

- ☒ QS ranking
- ☐ living index
- ☐ country borders
- ☐ region

hover over the region

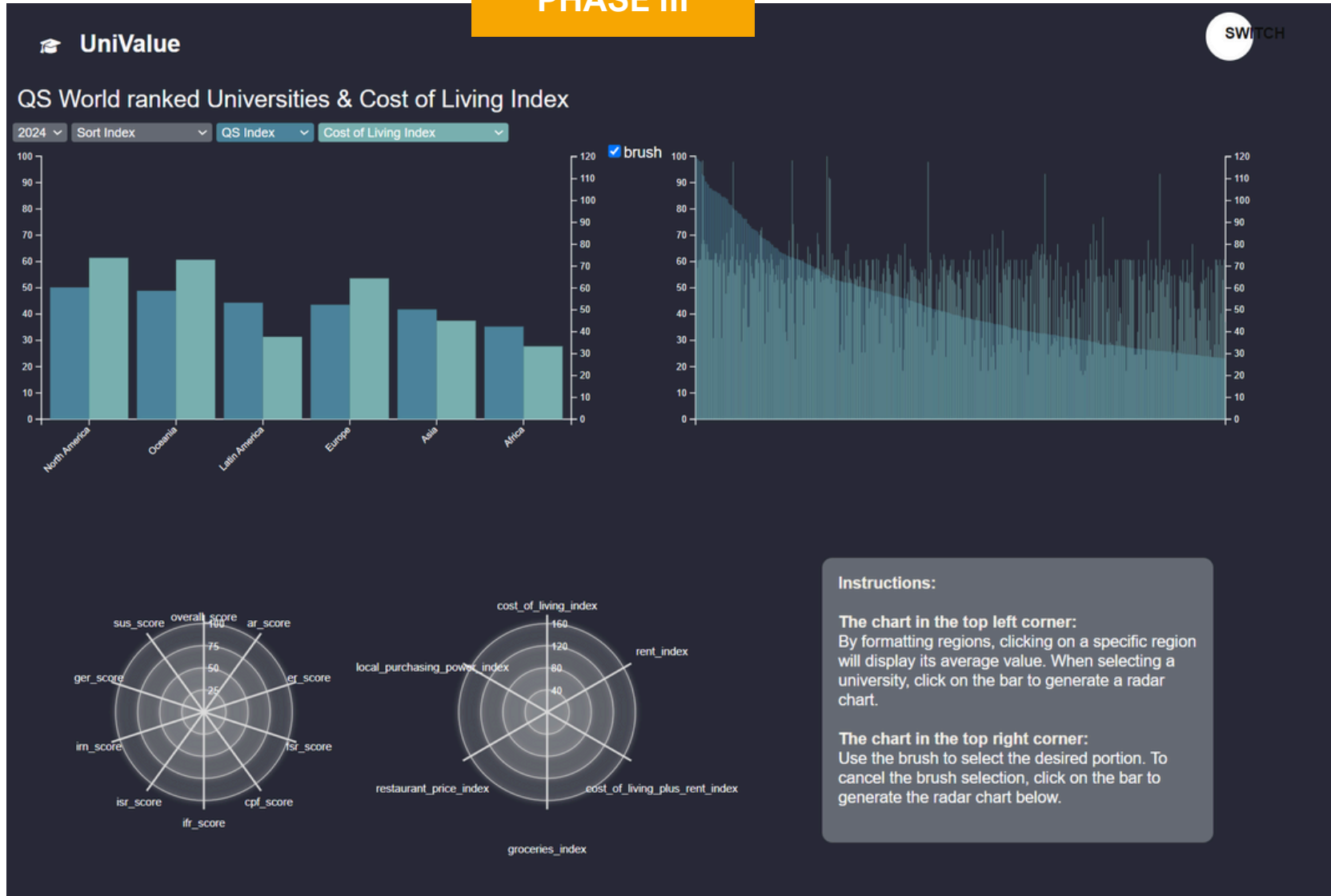
When users click on a university marker, display a popup with detailed information.



When showing the detailed information, there will be only displaying the university mark on the map that the ranking differs to current school from 5. e.g. in this case, the school is ranking 3, then there will be only ranking 1-8 university will show on map.



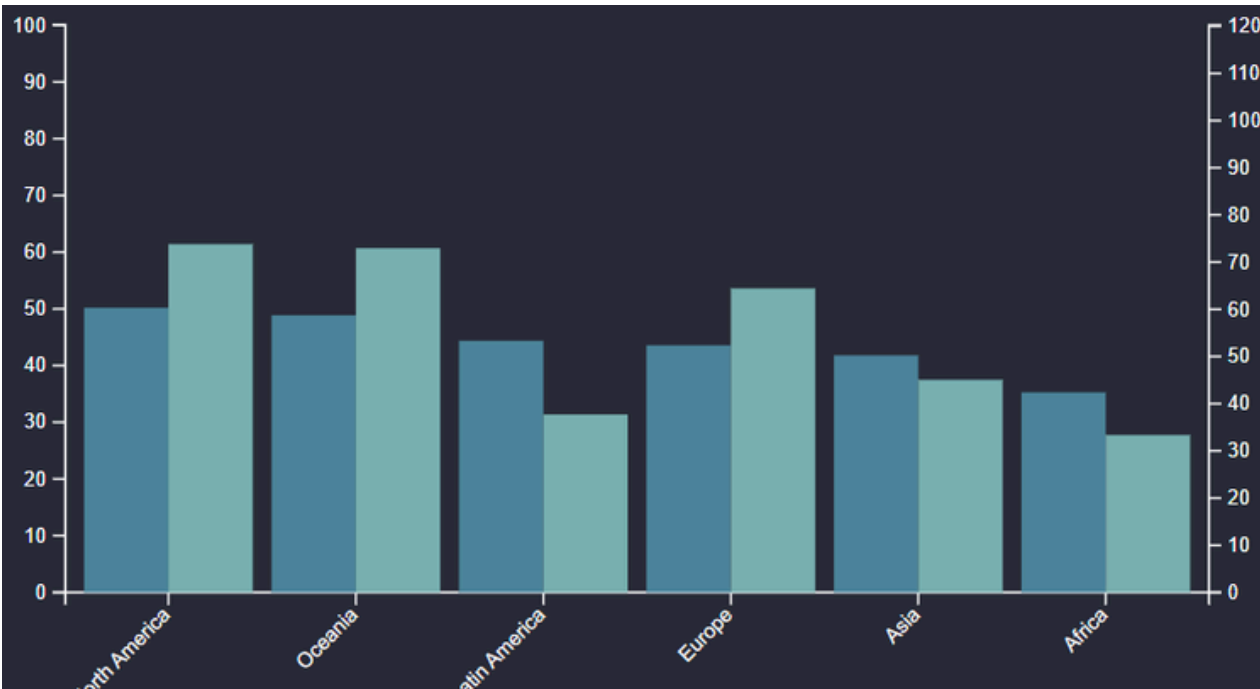
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select button

2024 ▾ Sort Index ▾ QS Index ▾ Cost of Living Index ▾

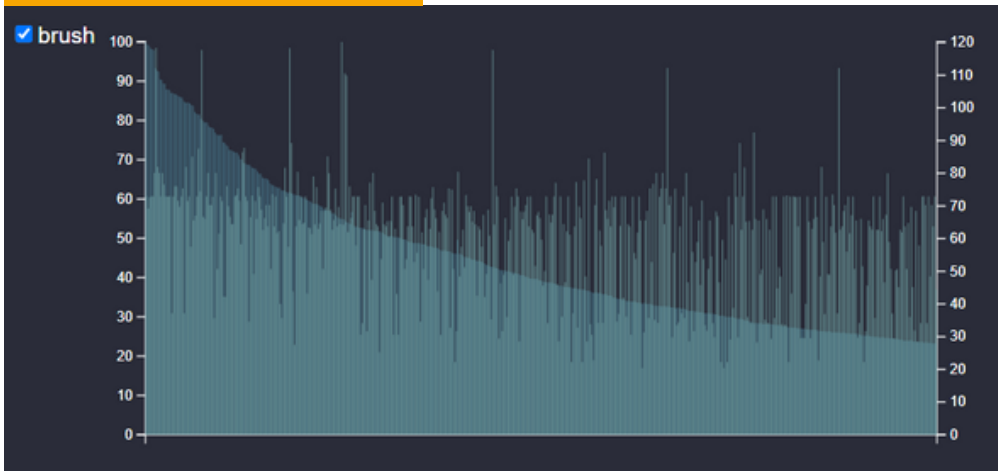
heriarchy bar chart



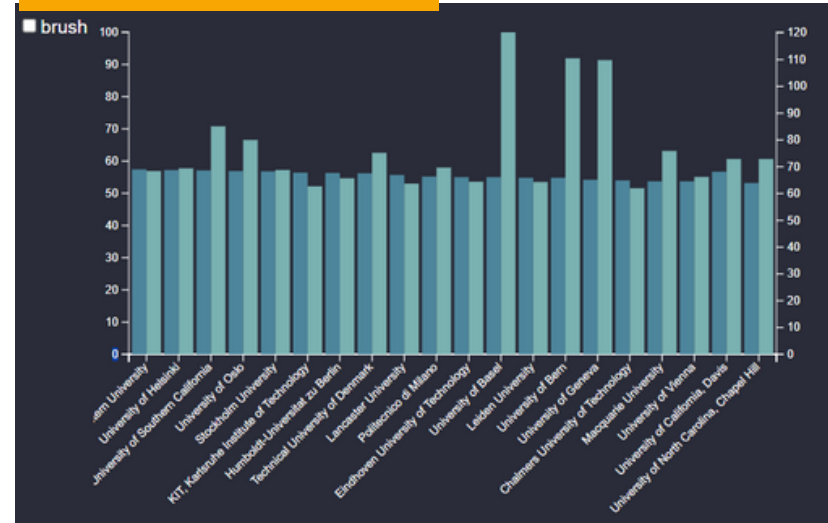
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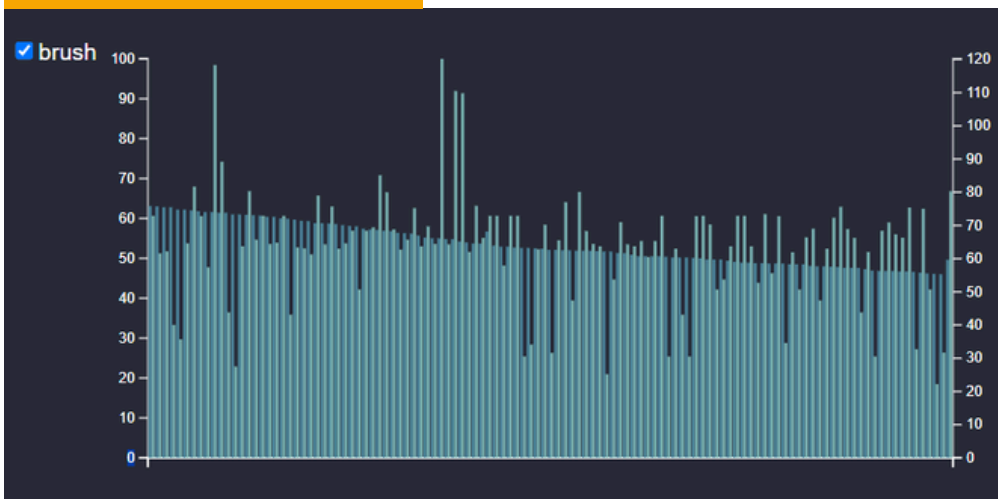
overview bar chart



brush - zoom in



brush - zoom in

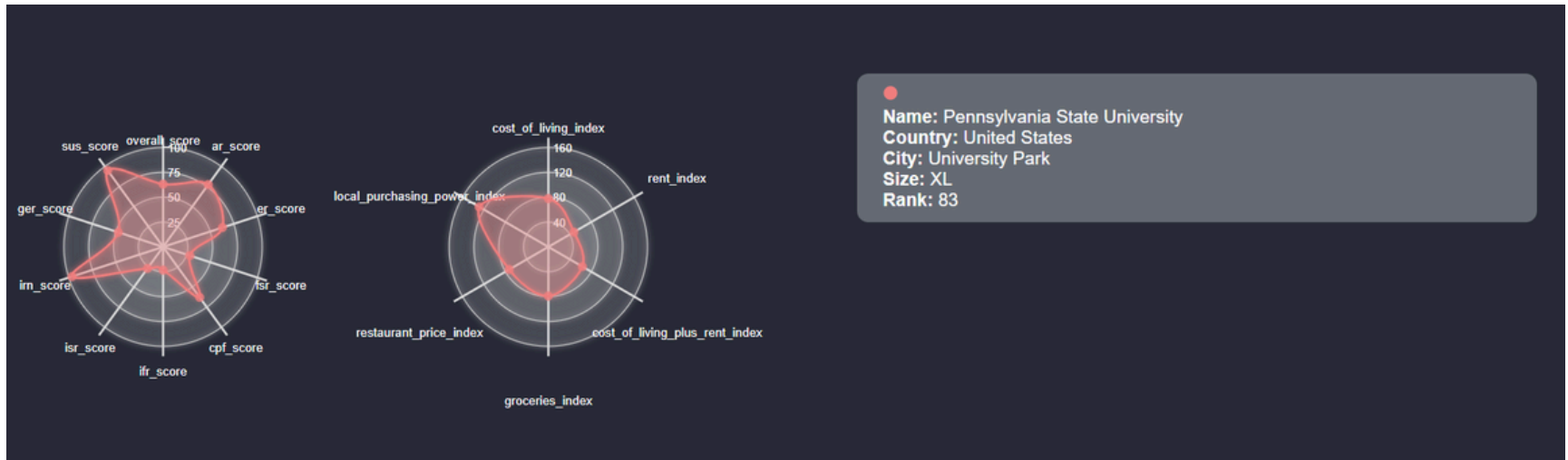


brush - zoom in



radar chart

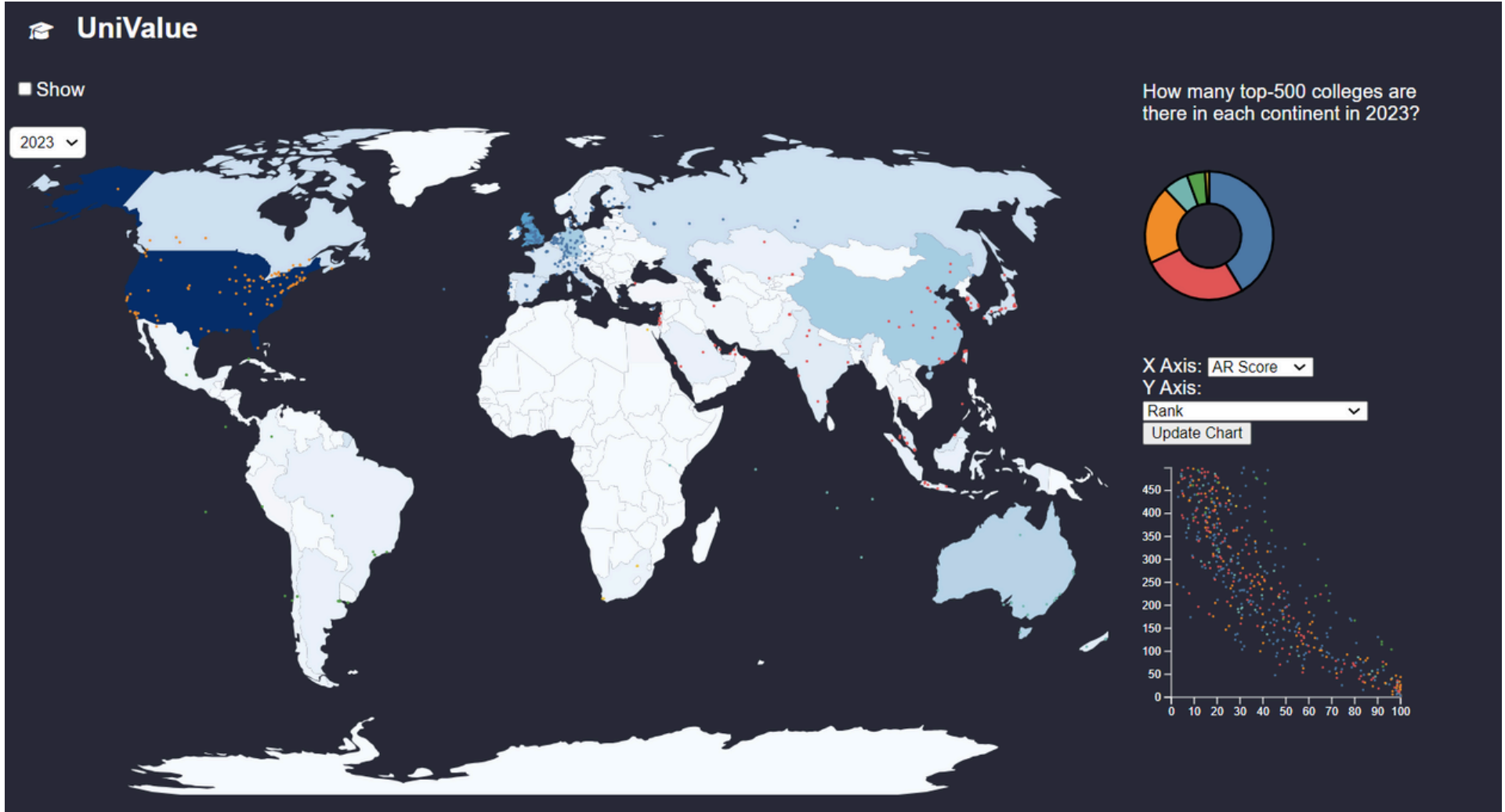
show detail



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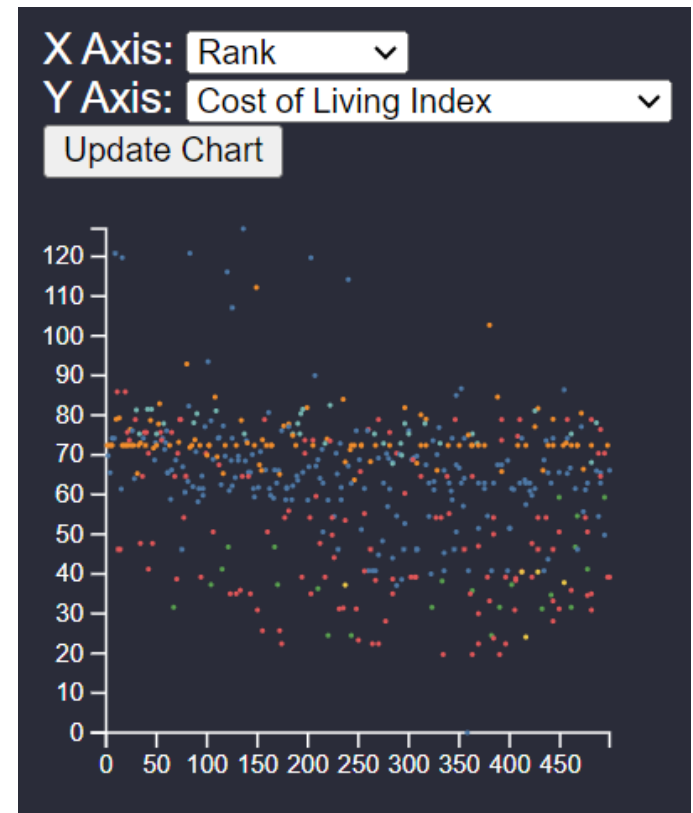
Design Overview



Europe

The percentage of top 500 colleges in this continent:

42.3%



Video Demonstration

<https://youtu.be/GAbRpHFSsic>

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Thank you!!