French Forecasters
Workstation Synergie-Next
Synopsis Project

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Overview

- Operational tools for "upstream" forecasting at Météo-France
- Synopsis project



Operational tools at Météo-France

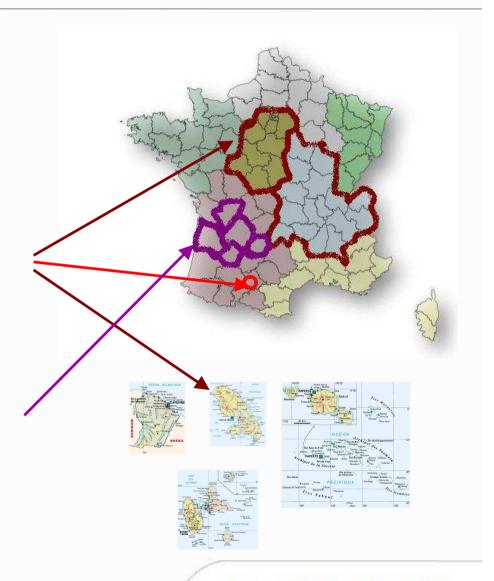
 At the present time, two systems for three levels of forecast

SYNERGIE

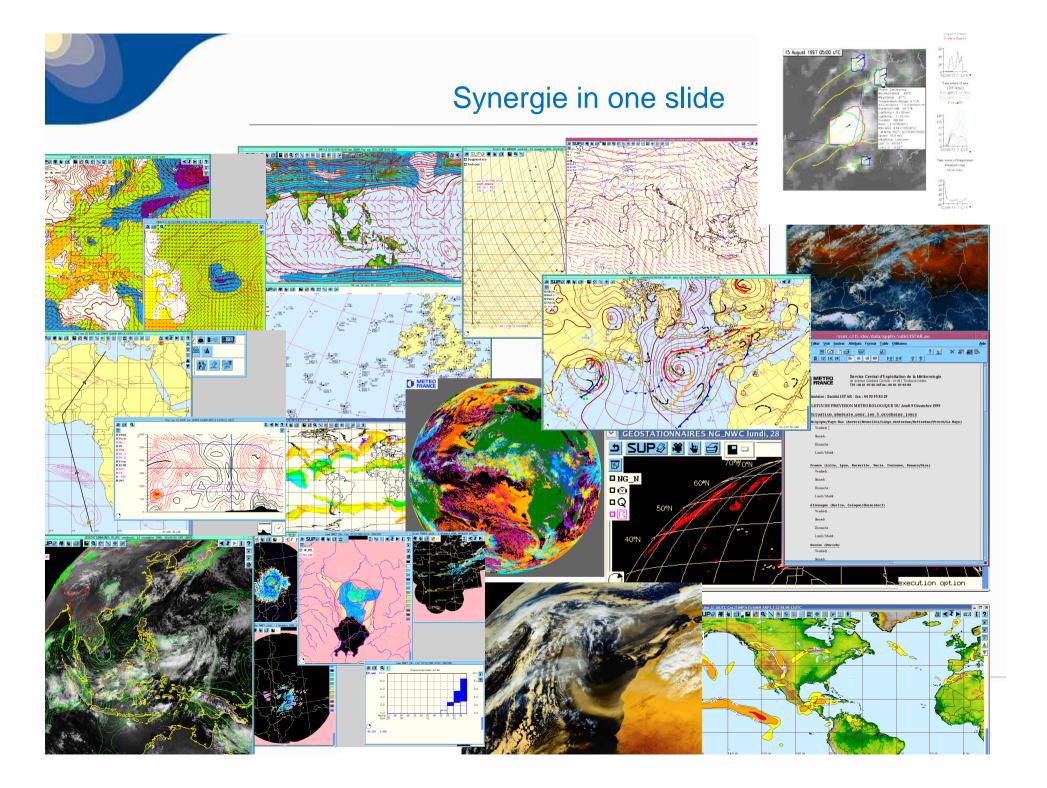
- National and regional forecasting (metropolitan and overseas)
- Worldwide usage outside of Meteo France

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- Local departmental forecasting ("Prévi-Surveillance" application)
- Outside of Meteo France. ("Meteo+" application)





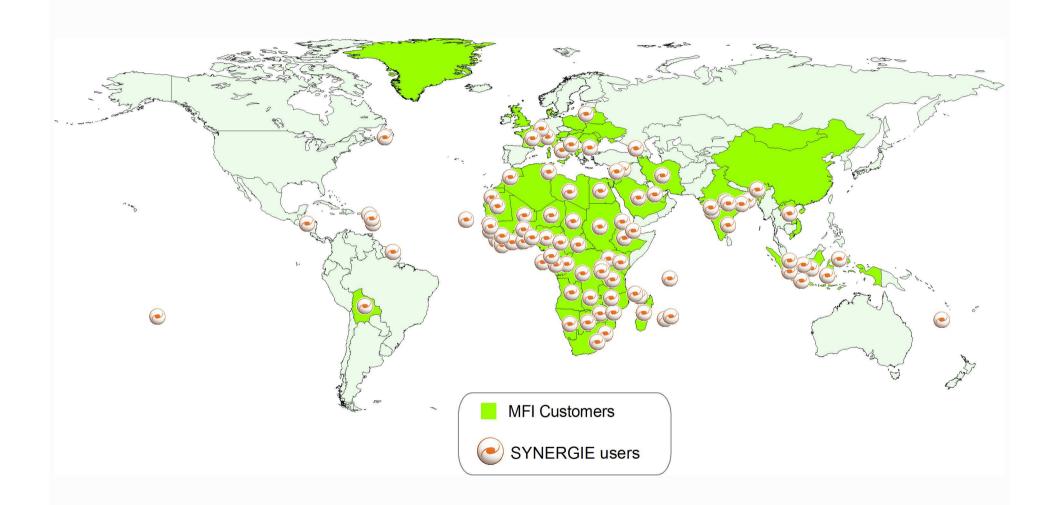


Synergie: A little history

- First stages of Synergie development started in 1989
- First operational release in 1993
- More than 17 operational versions since 1993
- Several Operating System changes
- Today :
 - Linux only
 - More than 1.5 million lines of code
 - A sum of 180 man-year of development
 - A software patchwork of the best tools and libraries of Météo-France and ECMWF
 - More than 120 operational client workstations at Météo-France
 - More than 200 operational workstations in 60 other countries



Synergie implantation





Towards Synergie-Next

- More than one year Pilot project :
 - → OGC (Open Geospatial Consortium)
 - → SOA (Service Oriented architecture)





Météo-France direction has decided to go forward in partnership with Meteo France International

- A single workstation for "advanced forecasting"
 OS independent
- A "light" workstation (Web-Based) for other needs
- Sharing the same business server components ...

No or slight changes for end-users





New needs of forecasters

- Zooming and panning in any area as seen in any common web tools, with GIS functionalities
- Reduce delay between end of development and availability on forecaster's desk
- New data available on forecaster's desk, in less than one month after their arrival in central data bases
- Adjust automatically GUI to data available on server and useful for a specific forecaster.
- Easier User customisation
- Open to interoperability with other meteorological layers

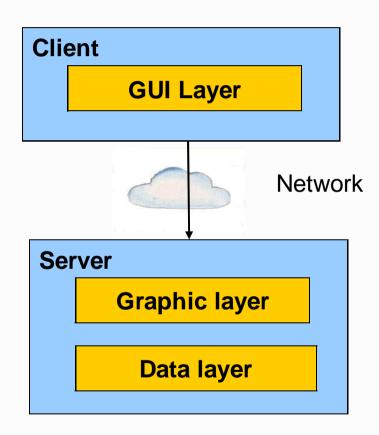
Synergie Technologies not fitted to take these new requirements into account.



Synergie

Client **GUI layer Graphic layer** Network Server **Data layer**

Synergie Next









Specific team in Météo-France IT and forecast divisions, and MFI (Meteo France International)



- Review of actual specification
- At present, first services available on server for:
 - lightning visualization;
 - Radar and satellite images;
 - Basemap with road and so on as in a GIS

Roadmap :

- In progress: review ergonomic of actual tools and continue smart client developments;
- June 2011: First operational servers with radar and satellite;
- Mid 2013: all observations data, images (radar, satellite), numerical models available on smart client and used by all forecaster in Météo-France;
- Mid 2015: principal production tools ready.



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- Server on Linux to:
 - Benefit of ECMWF developments on: Magics++, GRIB API, ..
 - Use software development of Synergie
 - Use Open source library







Use of many Open Source components



Language: Pithon, C, Java;

Basic Tools: Apache and Gnome projects

Data base: PostgreSQL, PostGIS

Bus, caching: Redis

Web: Django, Nginx

Specific tools: Mapserver, Proj4, GDAL, Magics++, GRIB API























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- Cluster or standalone system;
- Easy installation on client and server;
- OGC standards and SOA (Service oriented architecture) for interoperability of forecasters tools.







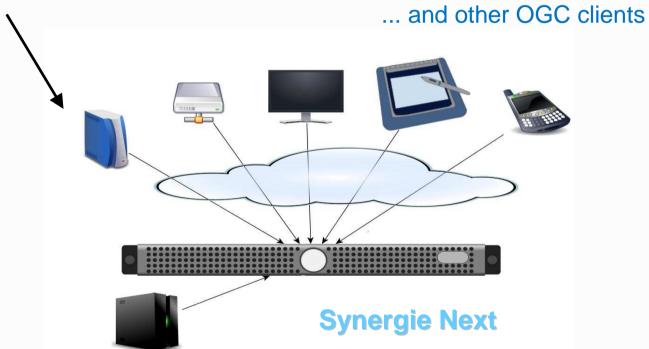
SOA and OGC





From Synergie to Synergie-Next

- SynSyn strategy
- All services Synergie Next will be available for Synergie

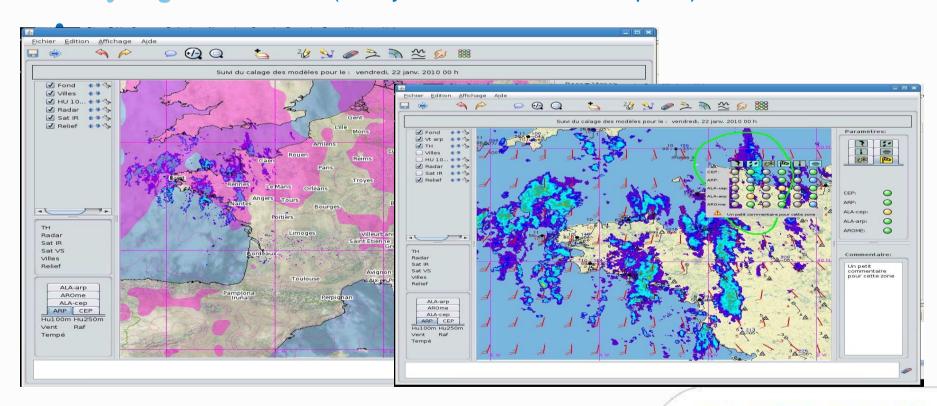






From Synergie to Synergie-Next

- SynSyn strategy
- All functionalities of Synergie will be available for Synergie Next clients (if they run on the same computer)





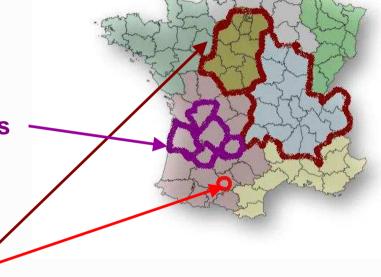
Synergie-Next in Météo-France

Météo-France forecast reorganization

 First deployment of SynSyn strategy (Synergie-Next) in Local departments
 Centers between

fall 2011 and end of 2012

 SYNERGIE is in National and regional forecasting centers







Thank you

Any Question?

