

Capsis / AMAPstudio

An integrative approach for forests and plants architecture modelling

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Modelling plants and forests: modelling what, why and how ?



Capsis: modelling plantations growth and yield / forests dynamics

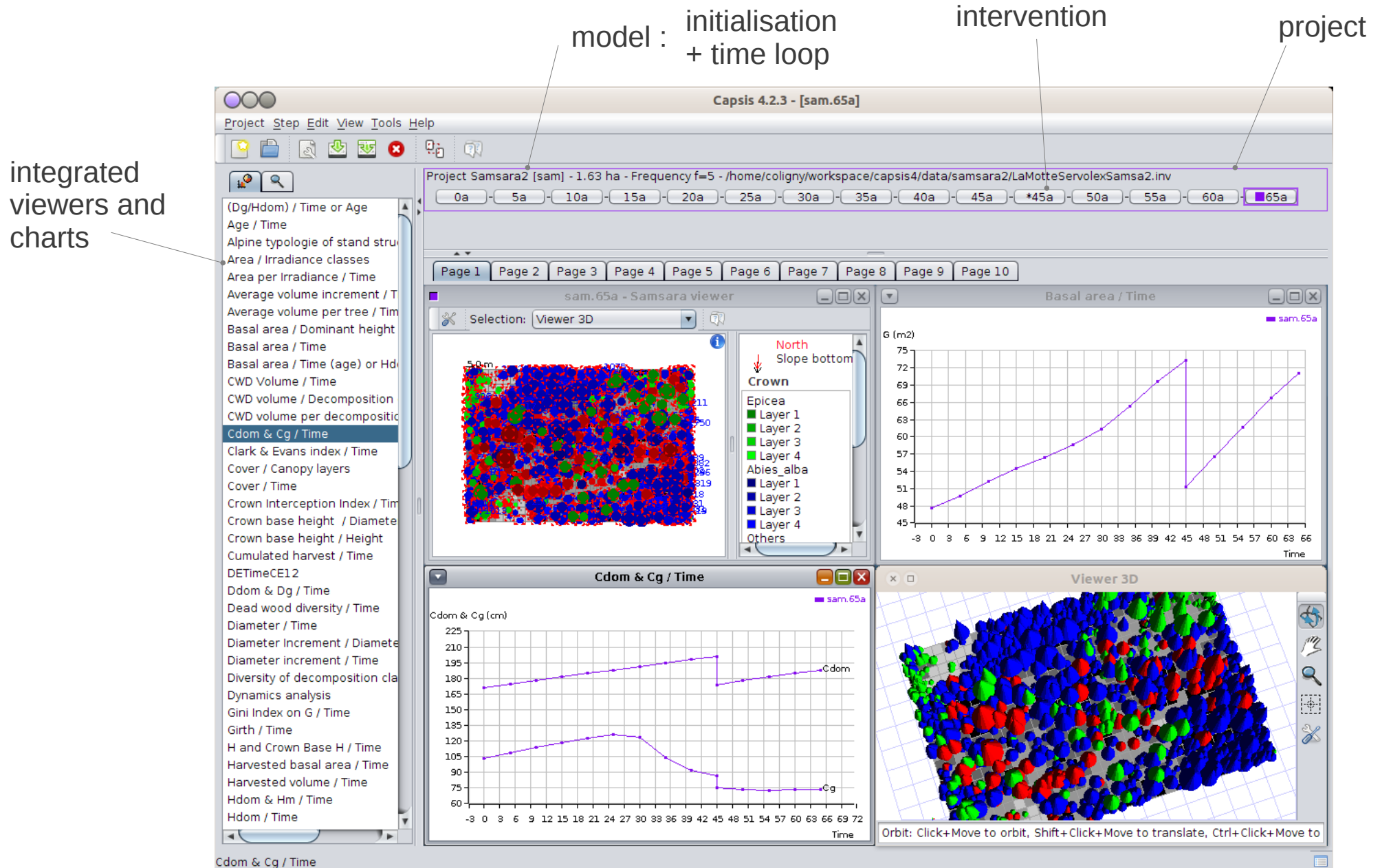
INRA – EFPA division : Forest, Grassland and Freshwater Ecology

1994 : Capsis is created in Avignon by Philippe Dreyfus
mutualisation of models development
knowledge transfer to the forest managers
12 stand level and tree distance independent models
a lot of partnerships

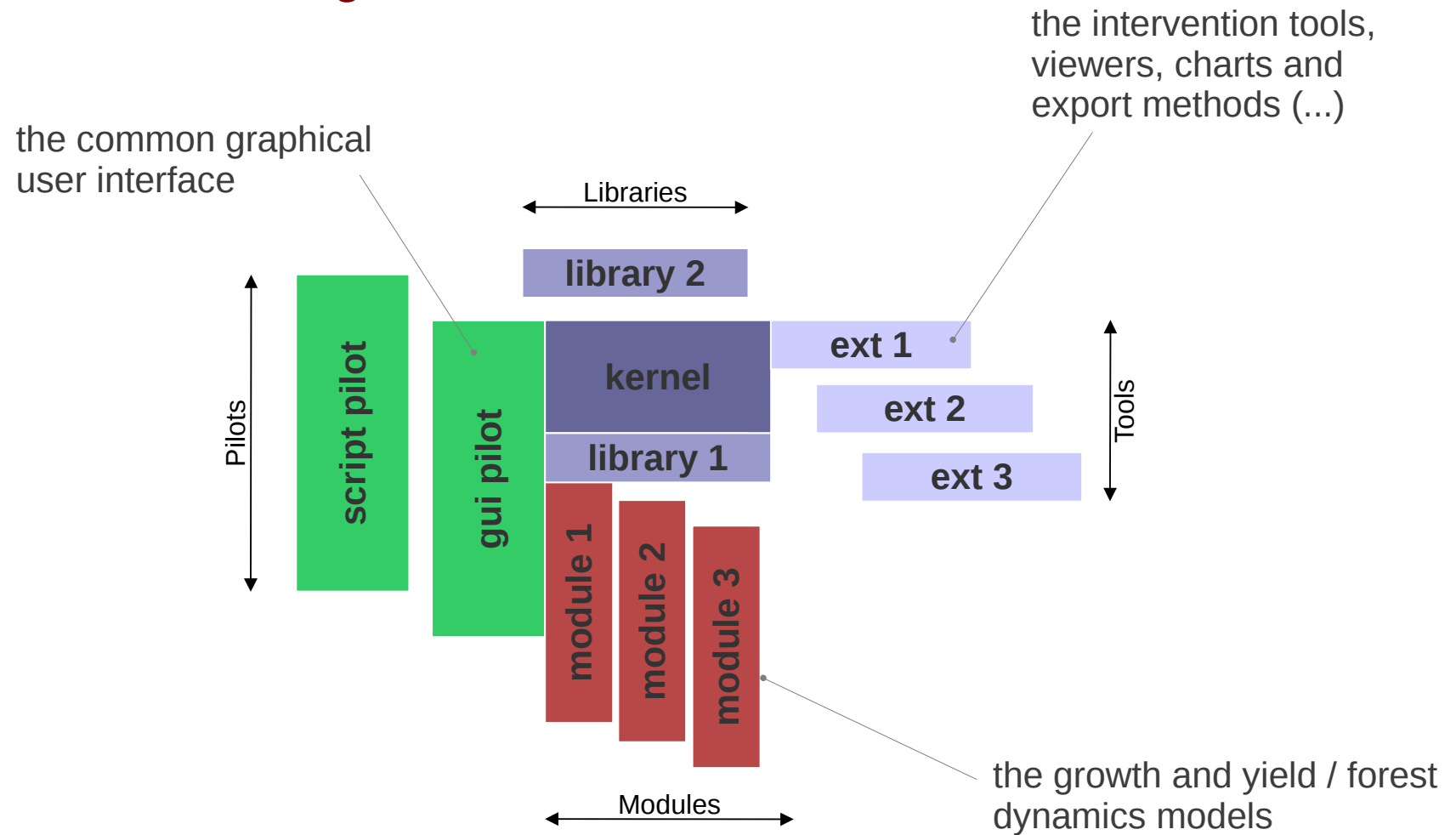
1999 : Capsis is managed in AMAP – Montpellier
a developer : F. de Coligny
specifications are widened to spatialized models
a supporting methodology for modellers
collaborative development

2013 : Capsis contains more than 60 growth or dynamics models

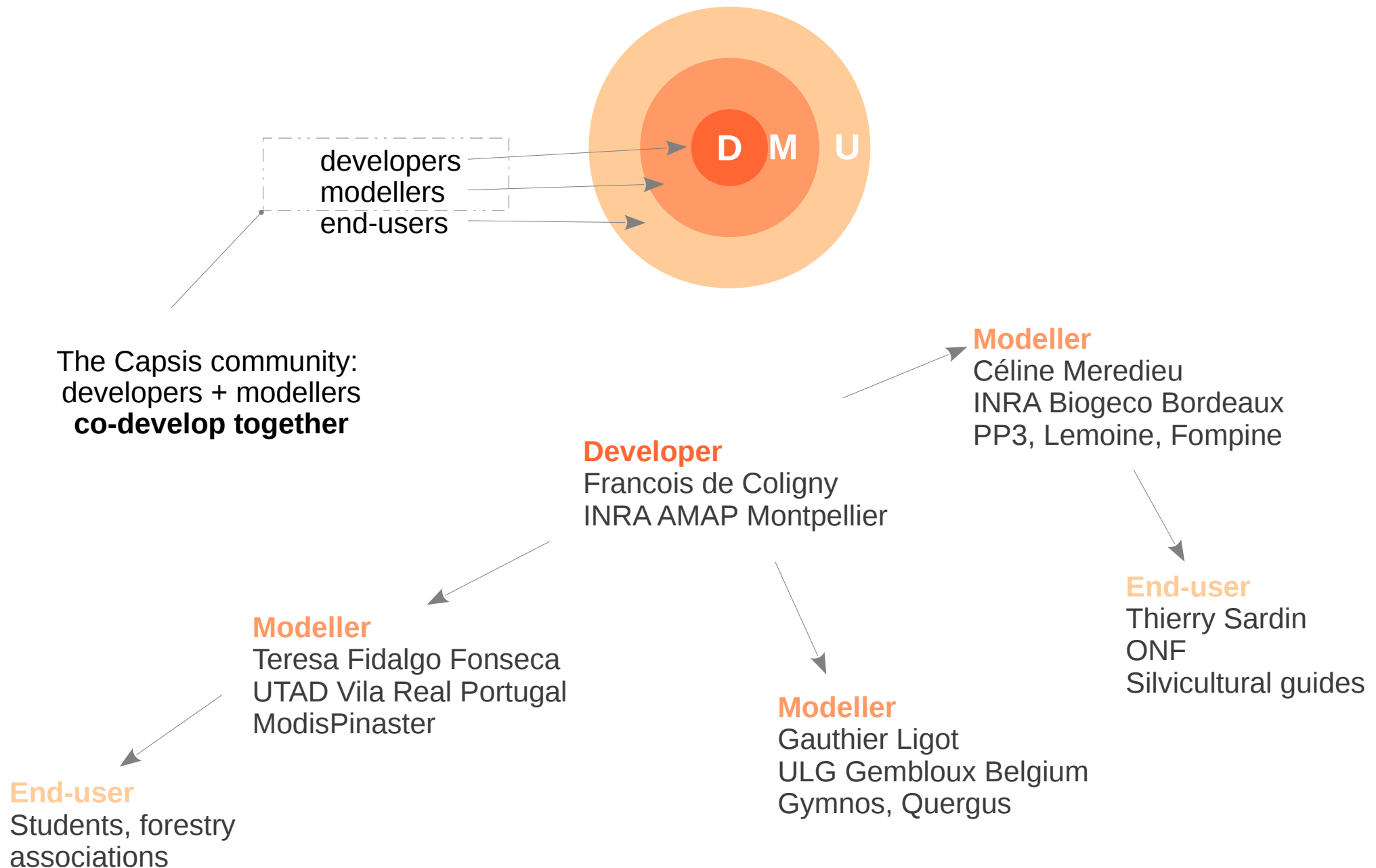
Capsis: how does it work ?



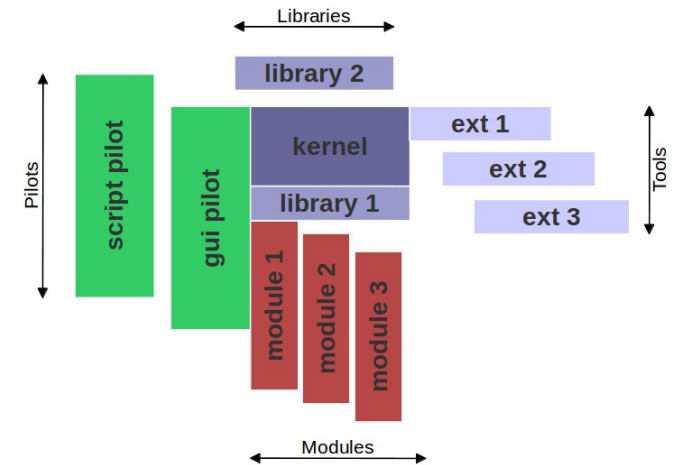
Capsis: Software design



Capsis: Actors and roles



Capsis: the Charter



Clear participation rules

All the common parts are free software (LGPL), they are reusable by everyone
-> all **except the red parts**

- **Free kernel:** the Capsis kernel is a free software (LGPL licence) : **kernel** + **generic pilots** + **extensions** + **libraries** (all the capsis.* packages)
- **Development:** the modellers are in charge of the development of their models in Capsis
- **Support:** They can have support from the developers : training sessions, design, starting help, further assistance
- **Free access in the community:** All the source codes are freely accessible by all members in the Capsis community, modules may become the base for new modules, code can be shared...
- **Respect of intellectual property:** all members respect the intellectual property of the other members.
- **Validations:** developers deal with technical validation, modellers deal with functional validation.
- **Distribution:** the stabilized / validated modules may be distributed when the author decides and chooses a licence (LGPL free license suggested), possible download from a ftp site.
- **Decentralization:** modellers manage directly the relations with their end-users: financing, training, assistance, models documentation, contracts...

Help the modellers develop by themselves

- Use an accessible language

 - + Java is powerful and strict → accessible to scientists

 - Java is rich → also a drawback

- A short training course

scientists become beginner developers

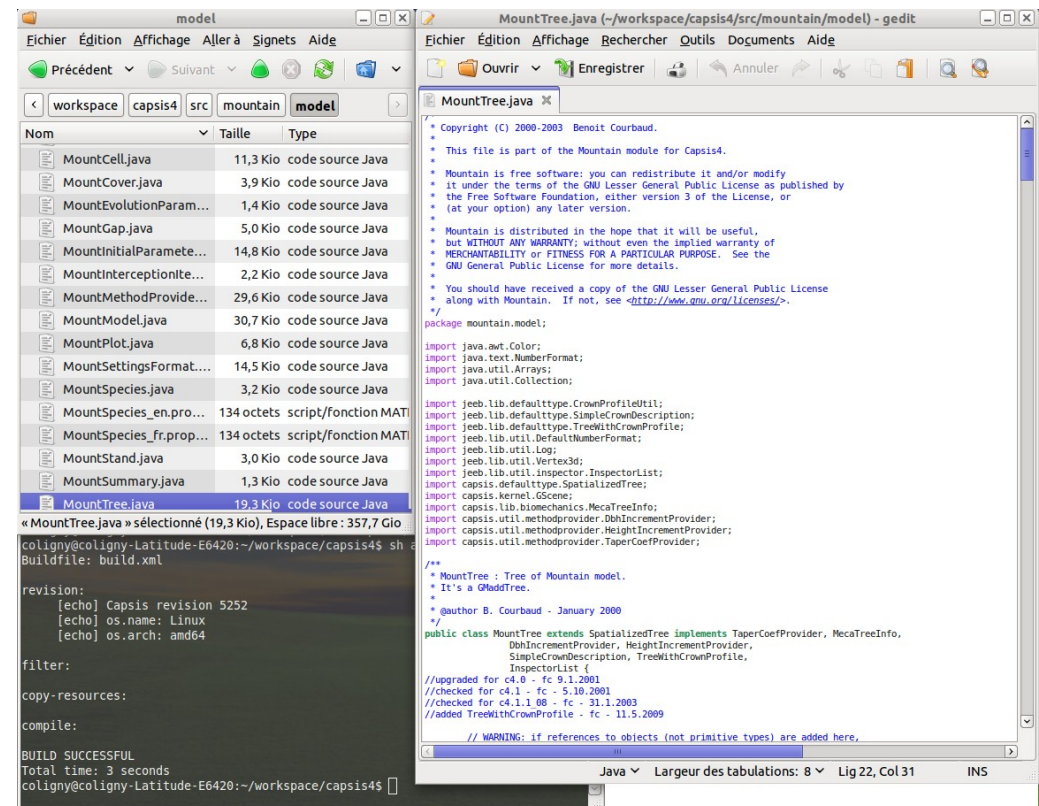
- Backing is essential

after the initial training course...
...a customized starting session

- Support must be effective

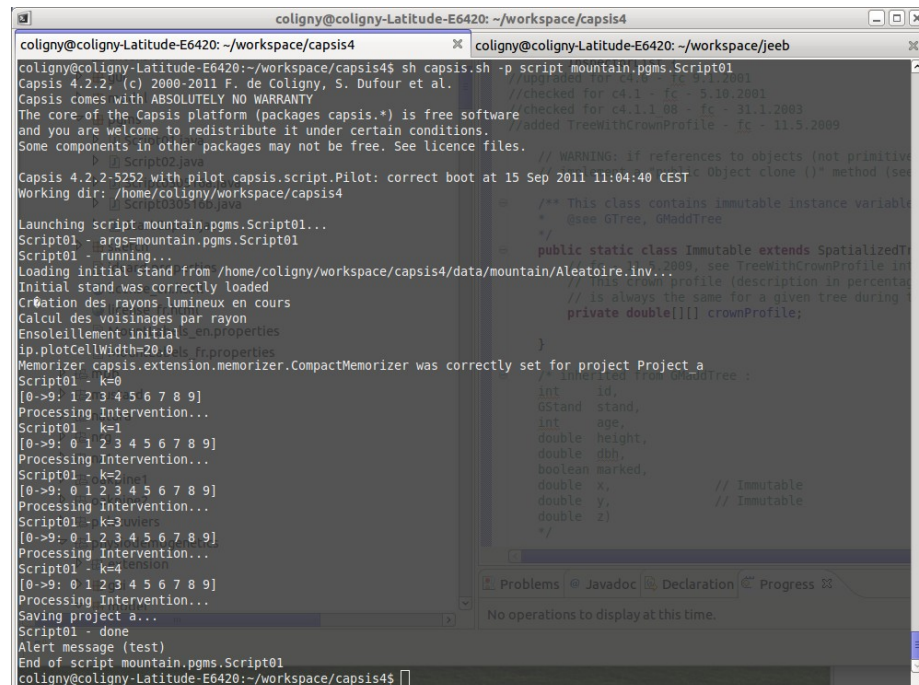
reactivity, availability

a simple editor,
a file manager,
and a terminal are enough

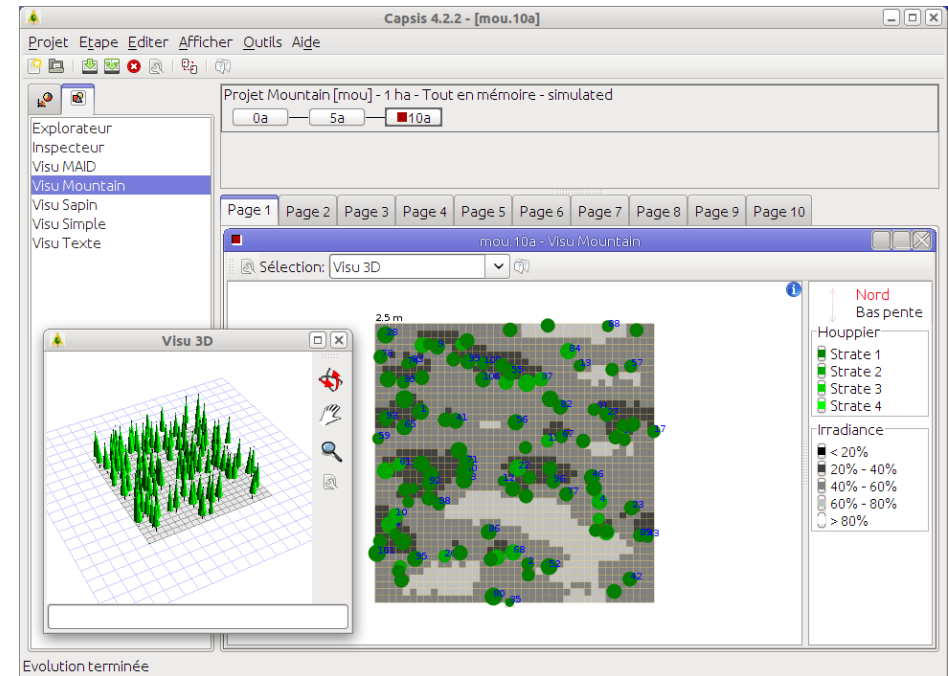


Capsis: several ways of use

Interactive (french / english)



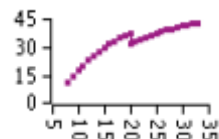
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Capsis 4.2.2, (c) 2000-2011 F. de Coligny, S. Dufour et al.
Capsis comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY
The core of the Capsis platform (packages capsis.*) is free software
and you are welcome to redistribute it under certain conditions.
Some components in other packages may not be free. See licence files.
Capsis 4.2.2-5252 with pilot capsis.script.Pilot: correct boot at 15 Sep 2011 11:04:40 CEST
Working dir: /home/coligny/workspace/capsis4
Launching script mountain.pgms.Script01...
Script01 - args=mountain.pgms.Script01
Script01 - running...
Loading initial stand from /home/coligny/workspace/capsis4/data/mountain/Aleatoire.inv...
Initial stand was correctly loaded
Création des rayons lumineux en cours
Calcul des voisinages par rayon
Ensoleillement initial en propriétés
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Memorizer capsis.extension.memorizer.CompactMemorizer was correctly set for project Project a
Script01 - k=0
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Saving project a...
Script01 - done
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All models are accessible with scripts

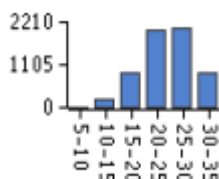
- long simulations
- runs on clusters
- sensitivity analyses...

Models for maritime pine in the *Landes de Gascogne*



Lemoine model (stand level, plantation):

- age
- number of trees
- girth (dominant, mean)
- basal area
- height (dominant, mean)
- volume (mean)



PP3 model (distribution model, plantation):
a list of trees

- age
- diameter, Height, volume of each tree
- number of trees in each category
- crown (Height, diameter)
- other information (biomass, carbon, etc.)



Applications, further works:

- a permanent resource analysis system (with IFN - National Forest Inventory)
- dead wood modelling and biodiversity
- models transfer to the silviculture prescribers

Fagacées: an individual-based model for oak and beech

Fagacées relies on 5 fundamental relations at 2 levels

1. stand level

- a growth model for dominant height (H_0)
- a self thinning model giving the relative density index (RDI)
- a basal area (G) productivity model (Eichhorn)

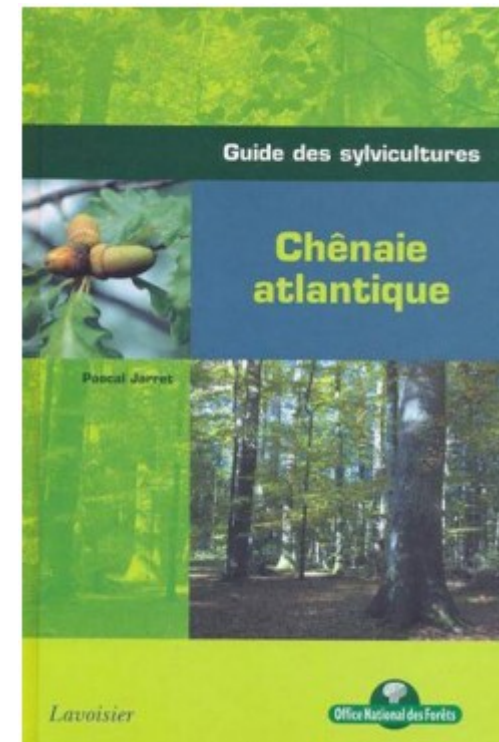
2. tree level

- a model for distributing the increases at the tree scale
- a height / diameter model

Work under progress on the model to help revise the ONF *Chênaie Atlantique* silvicultural guide (Pascal Jarret, 2004)

Changing context, climatic change, productivity change...

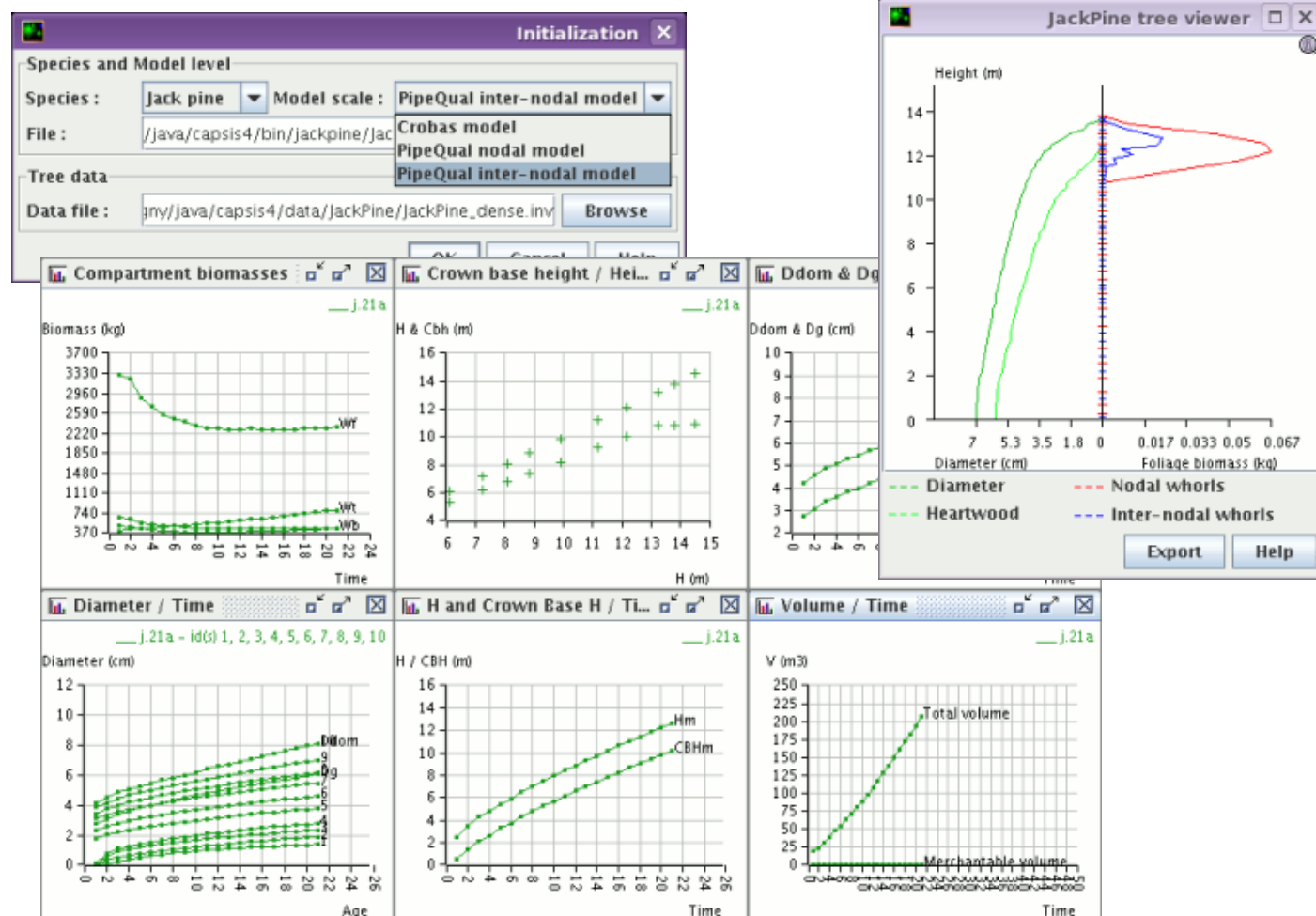
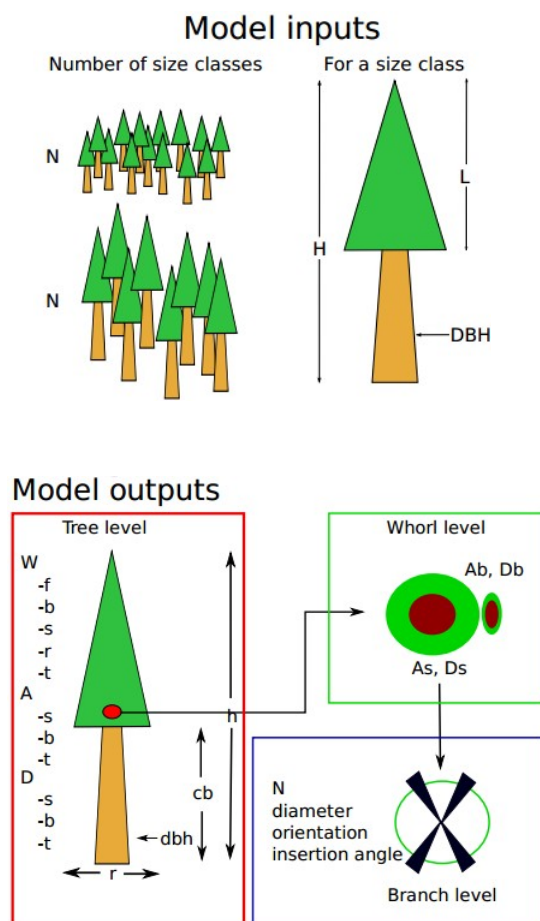
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Jackpine

Predict the effect of different scenarios on the growth and wood quality of jack pine, black and white spruce in Québec.

The Crobas - PipeQual model by Annikki Makela (University of Helsinki, Finland), a reusable library for Crobas was added in Capsis



Oakpine: oak and pine growing at the same time

Quantify the impact of the spatial structure type on the productivity of oak-pine forests

Method:

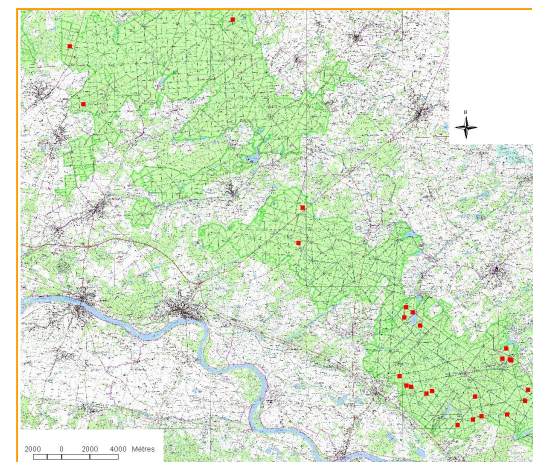
- simulate several types of realistic spatial structure (same list of trees)
- simulate growth for each structure type
- compare the obtained productivities

Spatial structure analysis on 34 plots:

typology for the canopy: 4 types / for the understorey: 3 types

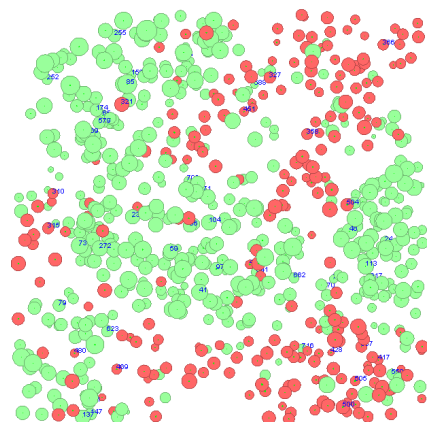
Spatial structures simulation: a combination of point processes

- specific structure: aggregation, random, regularity
- intertype structure: attraction, independence, repulsion

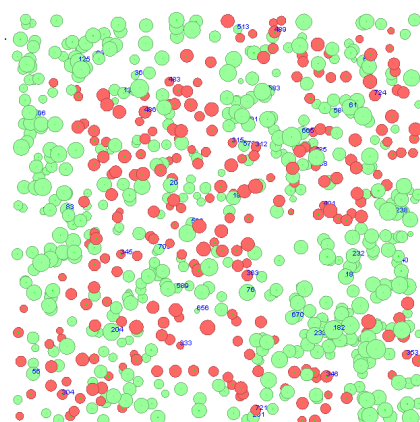


Simulation examples:

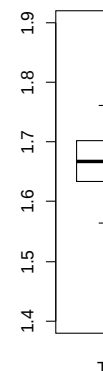
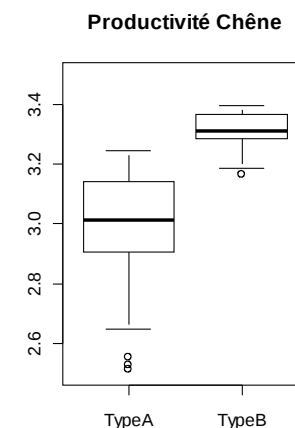
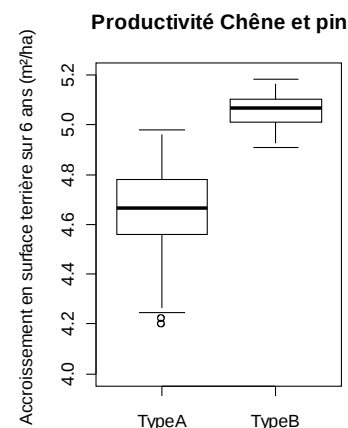
Canopée Type 1, modèle C7
Ss étage Type 2, modèle SE6



Canopée Type 3, modèle C4
Ss étage Type 2, modèle SE6



Script mode, repetitions, example of results:



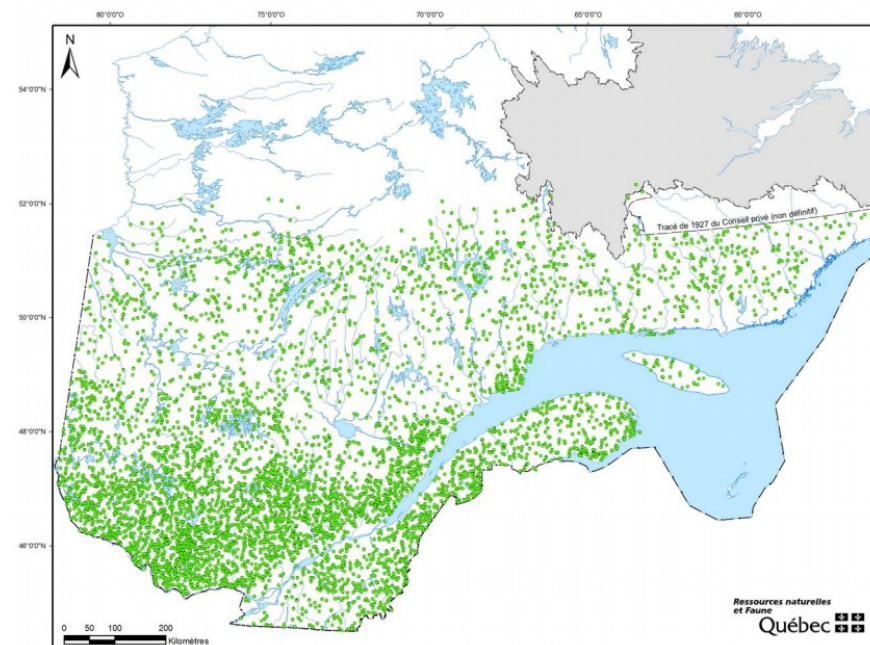
Artemis-2009

A distance-independent tree model for the main potential vegetations in the province of Québec

Objectives, at the provincial level:

- develop silvicultural strategies
- update sample plots
- calculate the allowable cut

Six sub-models to forecast (i) the temporal change of mortality, (ii) diameter growth at breast height (dbh) of surviving stems, (iii) the number of recruits, (iv) their diameters, (v) height and (vi) volume using dbh.



The permanent plots of the MRNF-DIF in Québec:
12001 plots, from 1970

Other Capsis models by the Québec MRNF since 2002:

Présage (Daniel Mailly, Sylvain Turbis): a model of production and evaluation of scenarios to help management of forests in Québec

SaMARE (Sadi Aid, Sylvain Turbis): a distance-independent tree model for sugar maple- dominated stands (sugar maple, yellow birch, American beech and other broadleaved species)

Natura (Sadi Aid, Isabelle Auger): a whole-stand model for the province of Québec

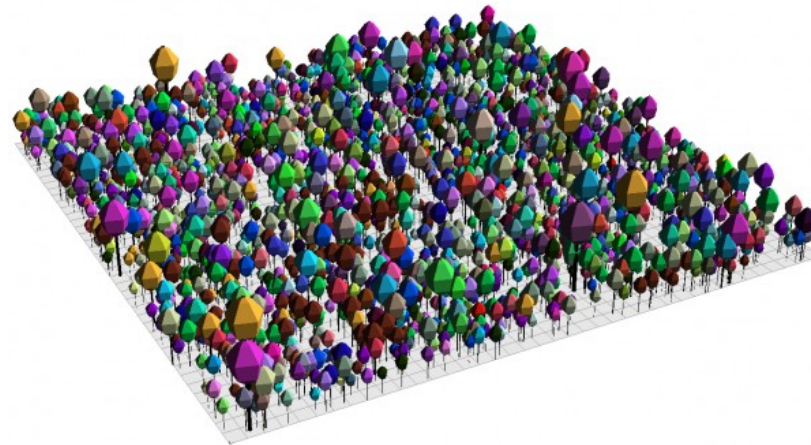
Succès (Mathieu Fortin, Luc Langevin): a succession model for the main forest types in Québec

twoe: tropical forests

twoe (2e) is a software that can be used for modelling and simulating multispecies tropical forest dynamics from permanent plot data

Two packages:

- an R package to estimate the demographic parameters of tropical tree species from permanent forest plot data
- a Capsis module to simulate forest dynamics

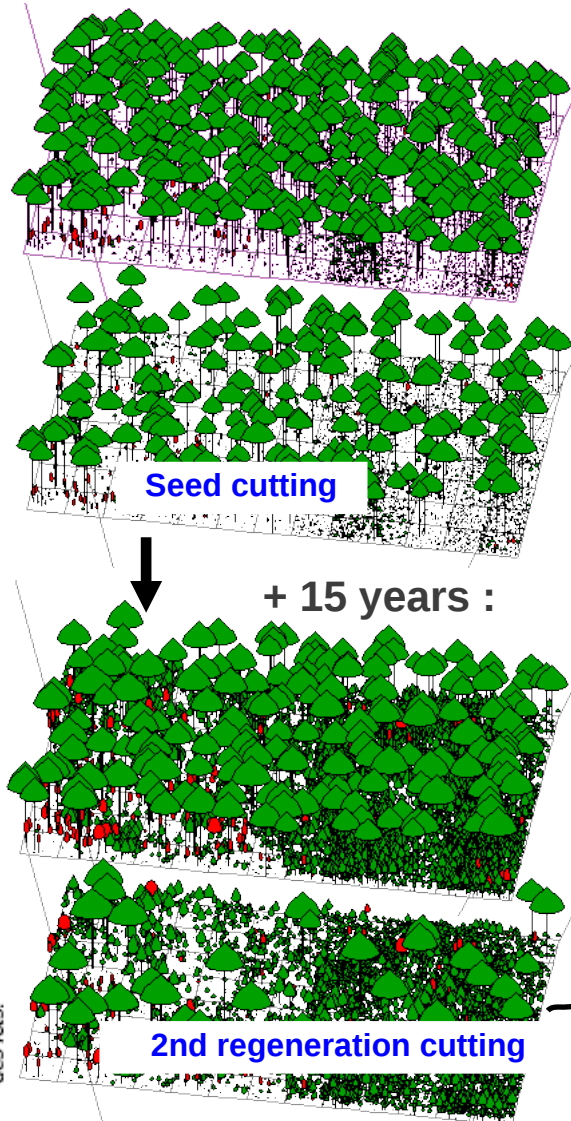


More details on <http://twoe.org/>

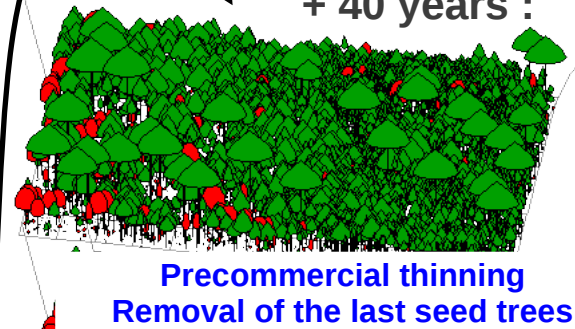
Ventoux: modelling a forested massif

Realistic silvicultural scenario and evolution over 100 years

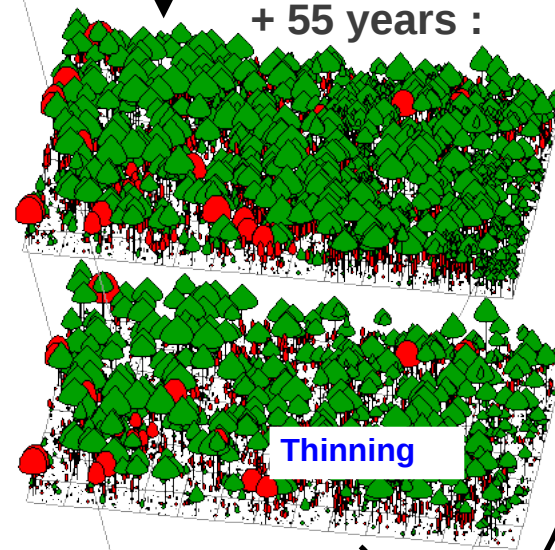
Initial stand:



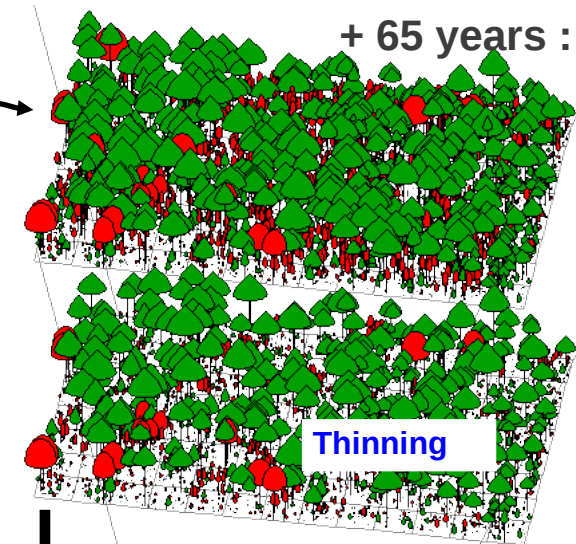
+ 40 years :



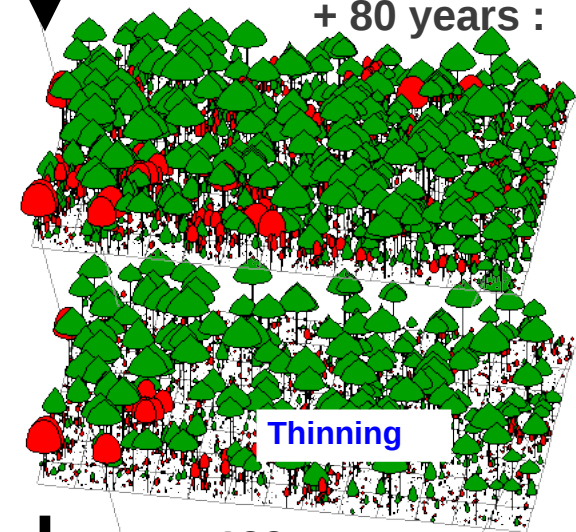
+ 55 years :



+ 65 years :



+ 80 years :



+ 100 years :

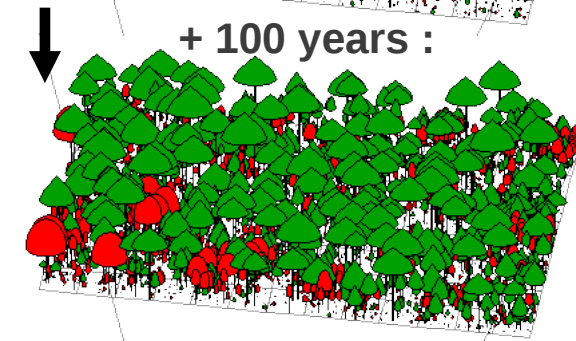


Figure 7 : Simulation d'un scénario sylvicole complet réaliste et évolution sur 100 ans d'une plantation de Pin noir (en vert) en cours de colonisation par le Hêtre (en rouge) : régénération par coupes progressives du couvert de Pin, qui bénéficie autant au Hêtre qu'aux semis de Pin ; dépassement unique, à l'occasion duquel la proportion des deux espèces peut être en partie modifiée (mais le dynamisme du Hêtre et sa faculté à rejeter ne permettent pas de l'éliminer, même si on souhaite favoriser au maximum le Pin) ; éclaircies, en nombre limité compte tenu de la nécessité d'offrir un volume suffisant à chaque intervention pour favoriser la vente des lots.

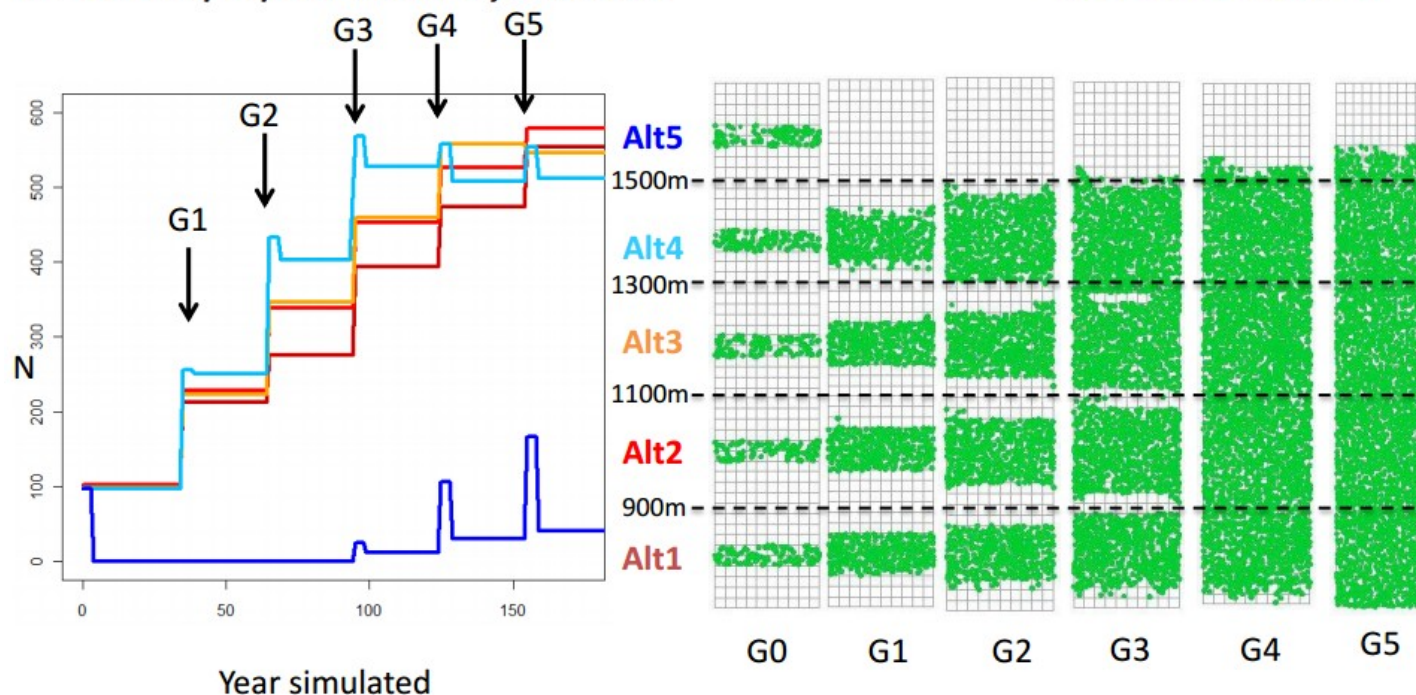
PhysioDemoGenetics

PhysioDemoGenetics aims at studying the genetic adaptation through natural selection driven by climatic variables in a continuous tree population

-> accounts for complex interactions among genes, functional traits and climate when environment or demography are unstable.

It relies on (1) explicit modelling of the genetic determinism of ecophysiology-related traits and (2) the coupling of ecophysiological processes at tree level (implemented in the Castanea library in Capsis) with dynamical processes (dispersal, growth, mortality) and genetic processes (implemented in the Genetics library in Capsis)

Results: population dynamics

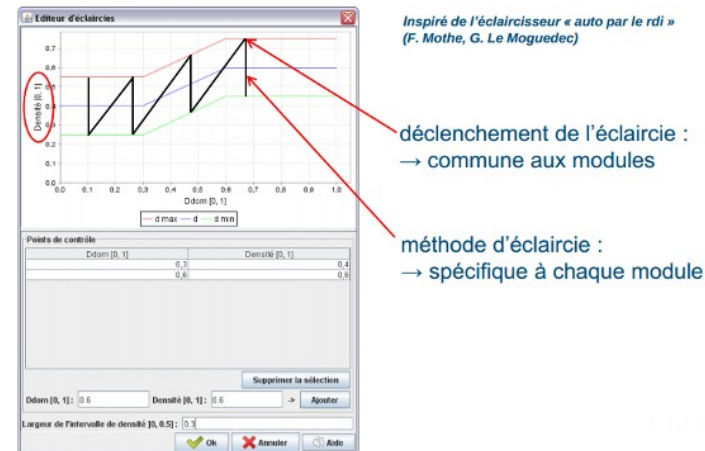


- Extinction of Alt5 at G0 and recolonisation at G3
- Treeline at 1620 m (versus observed =1700 m)

Simmem: modelling several forests

Simmem is a model simulating the management of several forests at the same time
Each forest grows with a specific Capsis model according to its species and forest structure
Connections to Fasy, Fagacées, FTChene, Gymnos, Lemoine, Melies, Laricio and Sylvestris

The management rules are configured for the whole site



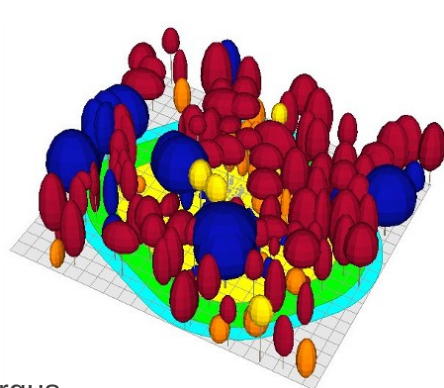
It is developed in the frame of the ANR Forgeco project by three teams:

- Irstea, Nogent sur Vernisson (P. Vallet, T. Cordonnier)
 - > Foret d'Orleans
 - > Massif du Vercors
- ULG, Gembloux, Belgium (P. Lejeune, G. Ligoit)
 - > Ardennes belges
- EFI Atlantic, Bordeaux (C. Orazio)
 - > Aquitaine

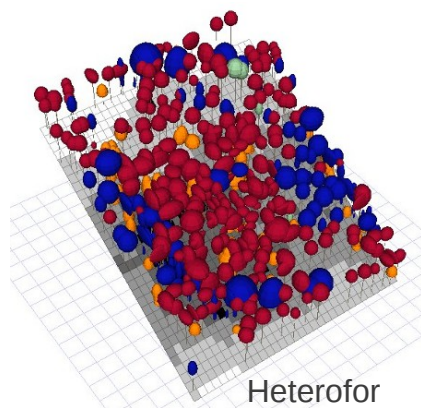
SamsaraLight: a reusable library for radiative balance

A library implementing the radiative balance of the Samsara model, to make it possible to reuse it in other models (Quergus, Heteroform, RReShar, Samsara and Samsara2, Mountain).

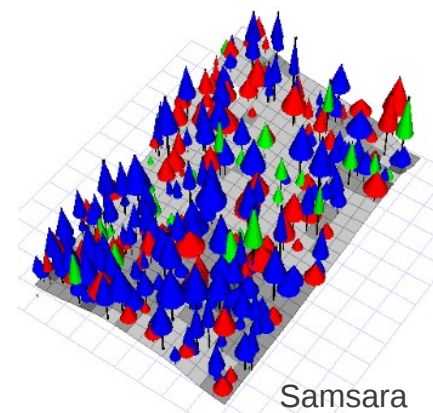
- adaptable to spatialized individual based models
- the crown is a kind of ellipsoid or a cone
- two modes: turbid medium volume or porous envelop
- irradiance (MJ) for each tree and each cell on the ground
- the irradiance can be considered for tree growth



Quergus
(G. Ligot, ULG, Belgium)



Heteroform
(M. Jonard, UCL, Belgium)

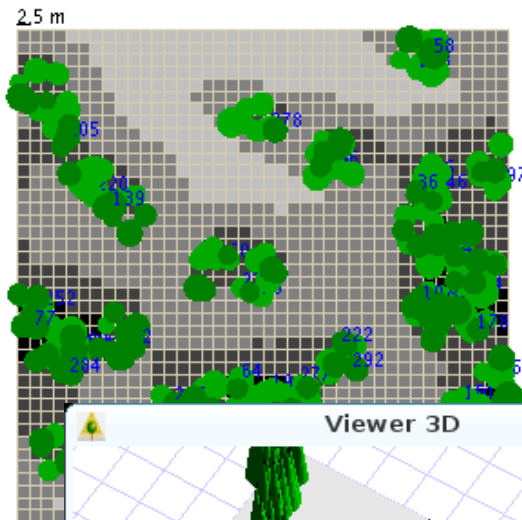


Samsara
(B. Courbaud, IRSTEA)

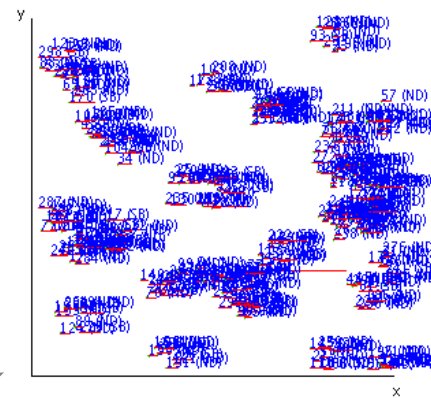
Foreole: individual-based wind risk

An integrated library

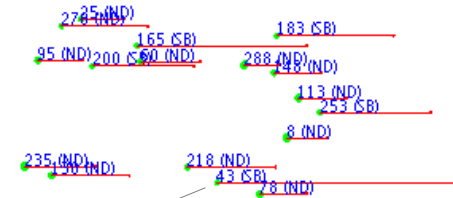
- assess the risk
- simulate trees removal



Foreole

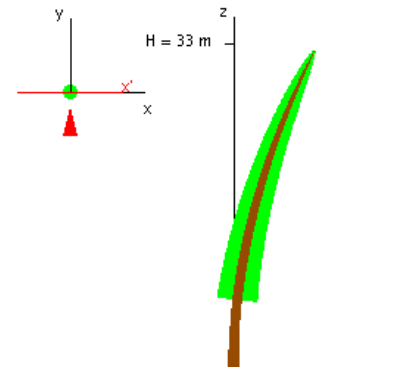


Zoom



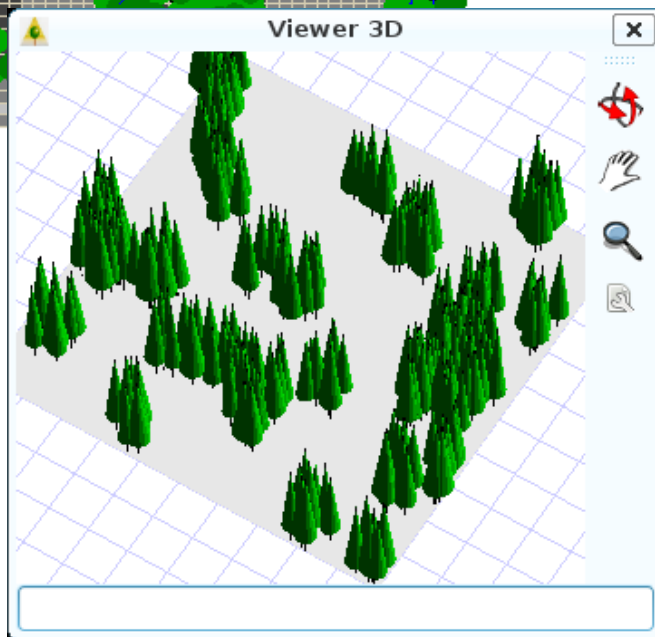
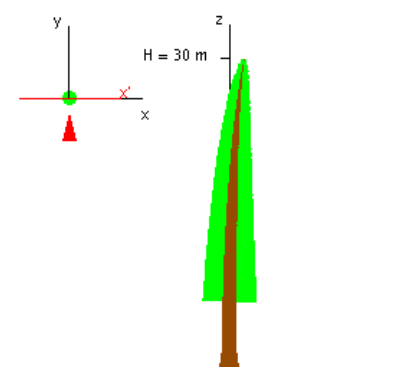
Tree 43

STEM BREAKAGE

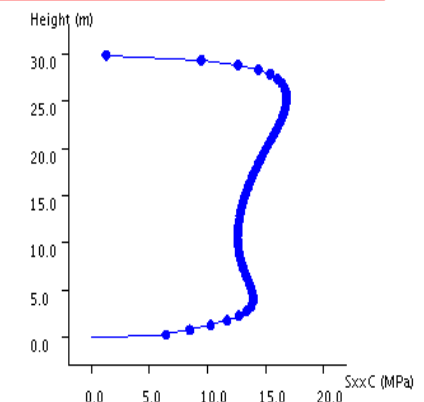
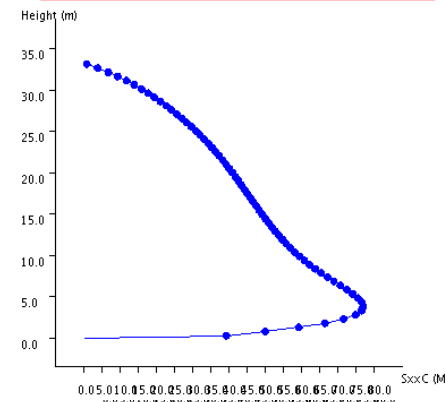


Tree 113

NO DAMAGE

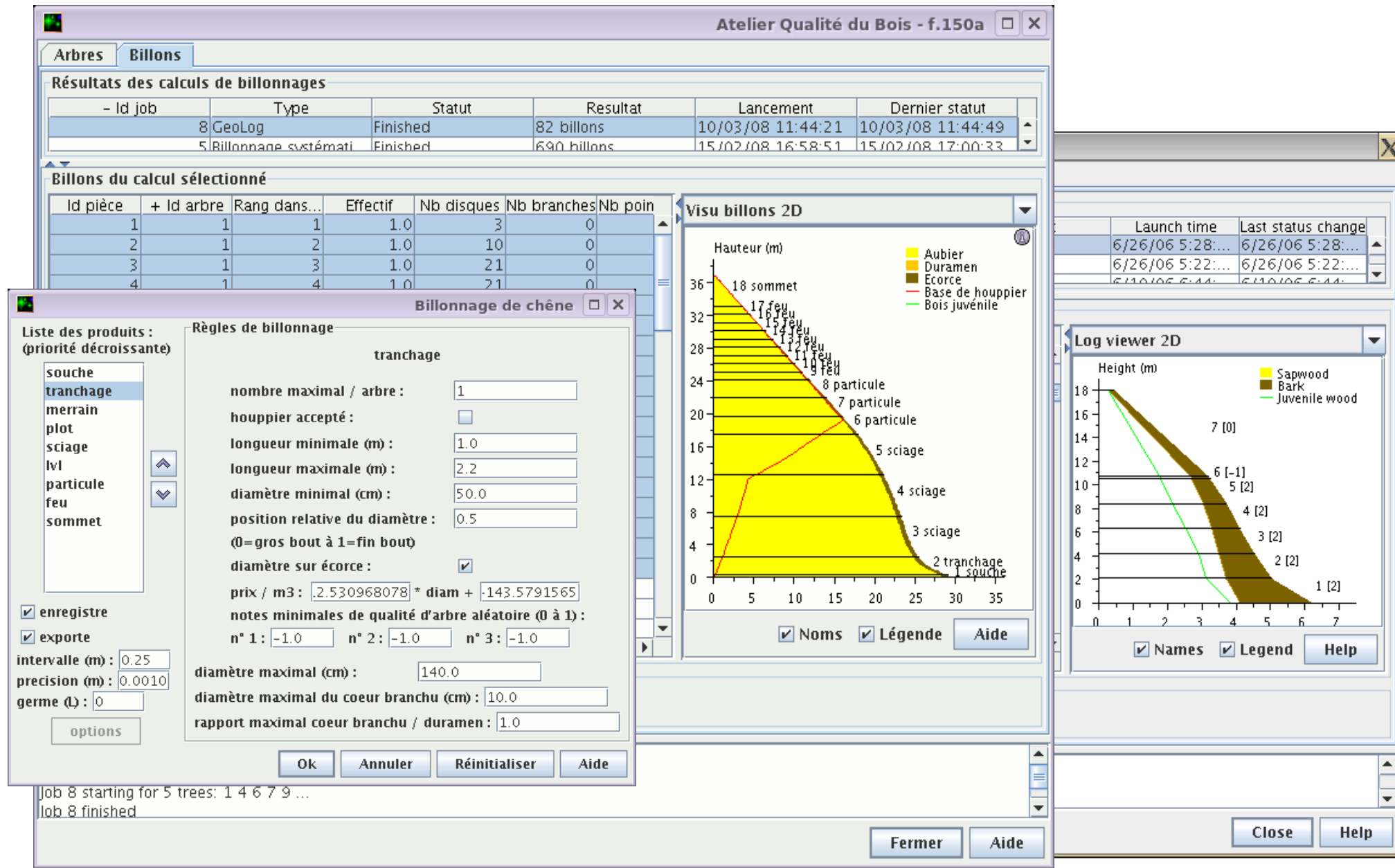


Mountain growth model (Spruce)



Wood Quality Workshop

Coupled to a growth model (Radiata pine, Maritime pine, Oak), logging algorithms, sawing is possible



Results 1/2

Table 2 Modules in Capsis: scope and main characteristics (see also Online resource 1)

Climatic zone	Stand composition ^a	Stand structure	Simulation levels ^b	Main processes ^c	Specific features ^d	Species ^a	Module name
Temperate	Pure	Regular	Average tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo, Re, Di		<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	Cytisus
			Average tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo	Phy	<i>Abies alba</i> , <i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	Dynaclim
			Average tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo	Phy, Ge	<i>A. alba</i> , <i>F. sylvatica</i>	PhysioDemoGenetics
			Average tree, stand	Gr (DI)	Th	<i>Pinus pinaster</i>	Lemoine
			Average tree, stand	Gr (DI)		Many species	Natura
			Average tree, stand	Gr (DI)		<i>Eucalypt</i> spp., <i>Populus</i> spp.	Regix
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo	Th	<i>A. alba</i>	Abial
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Picea alba</i>	Afocelpa
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>P. pinaster</i>	Afocelpa
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Cedrus atlantica</i>	CA1
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i> , <i>Larix</i> spp., <i>Picea abies</i>	Douglas
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo	Th	<i>Quercus petraea</i> , <i>F. sylvatica</i>	Fagacees
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo	Br	<i>Pinus halepensis</i>	Fiesta/NRG
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Pinus nigra laricio</i>	Laricio
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Abies balsamea</i>	Matapedia
			Tree, stand	Gr (M/D), Mo	Th	<i>P. pinaster</i>	ModisPinaster
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI)	Br	<i>Pinus radiata</i>	NZ1
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo	Br	<i>Pinus nigra nigra</i>	PNN/Pnn2
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI)		<i>P. pinaster</i>	PP3
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Q. petraea</i>	QS1
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	Sylvestris
			Average tree, stand, forest	Gr (DI)	Th	2 virtual species	Mustard
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (M/D)	Th	Many species	IFNCA
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DI), Mo, Re, Di	Ge	<i>C. atlantica</i>	Luberon
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Pinus contorta</i>	MPB
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DD), Mo, Re		Many species	Presage
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DI), Mo, Re	Ge	<i>Q. petraea</i>	Quercus
			Tree, stand, region	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Pinus sylvestris</i> , <i>Quercus</i> sp.	Simmen
			Tree, stand, region	Gr (DI)	Th	<i>P. pinaster</i>	Sylvogene
		Irregular	Tree, stand	Mo, Re, Di	Ge	<i>Prunus mahaleb</i>	Prunus
			Tree, stand, forest	Re, Di		<i>C. atlantica</i>	Abccedrus
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DI), Mo, Re, Di		<i>A. alba</i>	Migration
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DD), Mo, Re		<i>P. abies</i>	Mountain

^a "Pure" with a list of species means that the model either works with a pure stand of one of these species at a time or can simulate concurrently several pure stands of different species in the same forest

^b Scale levels at which the model works or the module gives outputs (with more or less details depending on the model)

^c Forest dynamics processes: growth (diameter and, possibly, height) (Gr), mortality (Mo), recruitment/regeneration (Re), dispersal (seeds/seedlings) (Di). Details for growth submodel: distance-independent tree growth (Gr (DI)), distance-dependent tree growth (Gr (DD)), growth submodel relying on a transition matrix or a diameter distribution curve (Gr (M/D))

^d Genetics (Ge), ecophysiological processes (Phy), branching model (Br), automated thinning (in addition to Capsis' interactive intervention tools) (Th)

Results 2/2

Table 2 (continued)

Climatic zone	Stand composition ^a	Stand structure	Simulation levels ^b	Main processes ^c	Specific features ^d	Species ^a	Module name
	Mixed	Regular	Average tree, stand	Gr (DI)		<i>P. abies</i> , <i>A. alba</i>	Melies
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Q. petraea</i> , <i>F. sylvatica</i> , <i>P. sylvestris</i>	Fagacees–Sylvestris
			Tree, stand	Gr (DD)		<i>Q. petraea</i> , <i>F. sylvatica</i> , <i>P. sylvestris</i>	Oakpine1
			Tree, stand	Gr (DI)		<i>Q. petraea</i> , <i>F. sylvatica</i> , <i>P. sylvestris</i>	Oakpine2
			Tree, stand	Gr (M/D), Mo	Th	<i>Larix olgensis</i> , <i>Picea jezoensis</i> , <i>Abies nephrolepis</i>	LSFMGM
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DI), Mo		<i>Pinus banksiana</i> , <i>Picea glauca</i> , <i>Picea mariana</i>	JackPine
			Tree, stand, region	Re		Many species	Succes
		Irregular	Tree, stand	Gr (DD)		<i>Populus</i> spp., <i>Juglans nigra</i> x <i>regia</i> , <i>Prunus avium</i> , crops	Hi-sAFc
			Tree, stand	Re		Broadleaved species of north-eastern France	Regelight
			Tree, stand	Gr (DD), Mo, Re		<i>Quercus</i> sp., <i>P. sylvestris</i>	RReShar
			Tree, stand	Gr (DD), Mo, Re		<i>Acer saccharum</i> , <i>Betula alleghaniensis</i> , <i>Fagus grandifolia</i> , other broadleaves	Samare
			Tree, stand	Gr (DD), Mo, Re		<i>P. abies</i> , <i>A. alba</i> , other species	Samsara
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DI), Mo, Re, Di	Ge	<i>Sorbus torminalis</i> , <i>Q. petraea</i> , <i>F. sylvatica</i>	Alisier
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DI), Mo, Re, Di	Ge	<i>F. sylvatica</i> , virtual species	TranspopRege
			Tree, stand, forest/landscape	Gr (DI), Mo, Re, Di	Ge, Th	<i>A. alba</i> , <i>F. sylvatica</i> , <i>P. nigra nigra</i> , <i>P. sylvestris</i> , <i>Pinus uncinata</i>	Ventoux/VentouG
			Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DI), Mo	Th	<i>P. halepensis</i> , <i>P. sylvestris</i> , <i>P. pinea</i> , <i>P. pinaster</i> , <i>P. nigra laricio</i> , <i>P. nigra nigra</i>	FireParadox
			Tree, stand, region	Gr (DI), Mo, Re	Th	Many species	Artemis
Subtropical	Pure	Regular	Average tree, stand	Gr (DI)	Th	<i>Pinus massoniana</i>	ISGM
Tropical	Pure	Irregular	Tree, stand	Gr (DI)		<i>Eucalyptus</i> spp.	Eucalypt
			Tree, stand	Gr (DD)		<i>Rhizophora</i> spp.	Mangrove
			Tree, stand	Gr (DD), Re		<i>Avicennia</i> spp., <i>Rhizophora</i> spp.	Paletuviers
		Irregular	Tree, stand, forest	Gr (DI), Re	Ge	<i>Vitellaria paradoxa</i>	Karite
			Tree, stand	Gr (DD), Mo, Re		Many species	Selva
			Tree, stand	Gr (DD), Mo, Re	Br	Many species	Stretch

^a “Pure” with a list of species means that the model either works with a pure stand of one of these species at a time or can simulate concurrently several pure stands of different species in the same forest

^b Scale levels at which the model works or the module gives outputs (with more or less details depending on the model)

^c Forest dynamics processes: growth (diameter and, possibly, height) (Gr), mortality (Mo), recruitment/regeneration (Re), dispersal (seeds/seedlings) (Di). Details for growth submodel: distance-independent tree growth (Gr (DI)), distance-dependent tree growth (Gr (DD)), growth submodel relying on a transition matrix or a diameter distribution curve (Gr (M/D))

^d Genetics (Ge), ecophysiological processes (Phy), branching model (Br), automated thinning (in addition to Capsis’ interactive intervention tools) (Th)

Capsis-ONF-2012 - 21 dec 2012

- a Capsis installer on an ONF server for internal distribution
- upgraded each year (december) by ONF
- with the Capsis developers and modellers
- a single Capsis with 18 modules:



Abial (INRA)
Artemis (MRNF, Québec)
CA1 (INRA)
Fagacées (INRA)
Gymnos (Gembloux, Belgique)
Laricio (Irstea, INRA)
Lemoine (INRA)
Melies (Irstea)
NRG (INRA)

Oakpine1 et 2 (Irstea)
PiceaAbies (FCBA)
PNN2 (INRA)
Pp3 (INRA)
Pseudotsugamenziesii (FCBA)
Regix (FCBA)
Samsara (Irstea)
Sylvestris (Irstea)

Capsis helps write/update ONF silvicultural guides (about 17 since 2004)
e.g. *Massif Vosgien - Sapin, épicéa et pin sylvestre*, Thierry Sardin (2012)

Direct link with the theme of the last Capsis meeting in Prénovel (april 2013):

The use of the dynamics models by the silviculture prescribers: interest, needs, existing methodological problems and perspectives

Communication

- a reference paper in Annals of Forest Science
- next conference: MemoWood 2013, 1-4 oct in Nancy (France)
- an annual meeting of the Capsis users
- since 2011: coupled to the CAQ annual meeting, of the french-speaking forest-wood modellers network
- a web site
 - documentation for the modellers: <http://www.inra.fr/capsis>
 - up to date projects list



The screenshot shows the Capsis website homepage. At the top left is the Capsis logo, a stylized green tree with the text 'Capsis4' above it. To its right is the word 'Capsis' in a large green font, with the tagline 'Computer-aided projection of strategies in silviculture' below it. A search bar is located on the right side of the header, with 'Sitemap' and 'Login' links next to it. On the left side, there is a vertical navigation menu with links: Home, Presentation, Download, FAQ, Screenshots, Charter, Publications, Documentation, Projects, Development, and Contact. Below this menu are logos for AMAP, CIRAD, CNRS, INRA, and IRD. The main content area is titled 'The Capsis documentation' and contains two main sections: '1. Using Capsis: documentation for the end-users' and '2. Developing in Capsis: documentation for the modellers'. Each section has a brief description and a list of sub-links. On the right side of the main content area, there is a sidebar with a list of links under the heading 'The Capsis documentation', including '1. Using Capsis: documentation for the end-users', '2. Developing in Capsis: documentation for the modellers', and '3. Training lessons'. There are also icons for a clock, a chain, and an upward arrow on the right side.

Capsis4
Computer-aided projection of strategies in silviculture

Capsis
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The Capsis documentation

1. Using Capsis: documentation for the end-users

This section is for the **Capsis end-users** who were given a Capsis installer (Zip or IzPack jar version) by a Capsis modeller (see the [Capsis charter](#)). Your installer generally contains only few models (the other models in Capsis are not all free). For a complete and up to date list of projects, see the [models](#) page.

- Installation Guide
- Tutorial(fr) / Tutorial(en)
- FAQ (frequently asked question)
- The Capsis Manual
- Help Index

2. Developing in Capsis: documentation for the modellers

This section is for the **Capsis modellers**. You have the complete version of Capsis including all the models thanks to the [Capsis charter](#). You can find here documentations about Capsis, Java and various tools used in the Capsis project as well as reports, training courses and various other documents.

2.1 Getting started

- Who can join the Capsis project ?
- Developing in Capsis with SVN and Ant
- Code Editor (Notepad++ / Textpad / Scite / Eclintse)

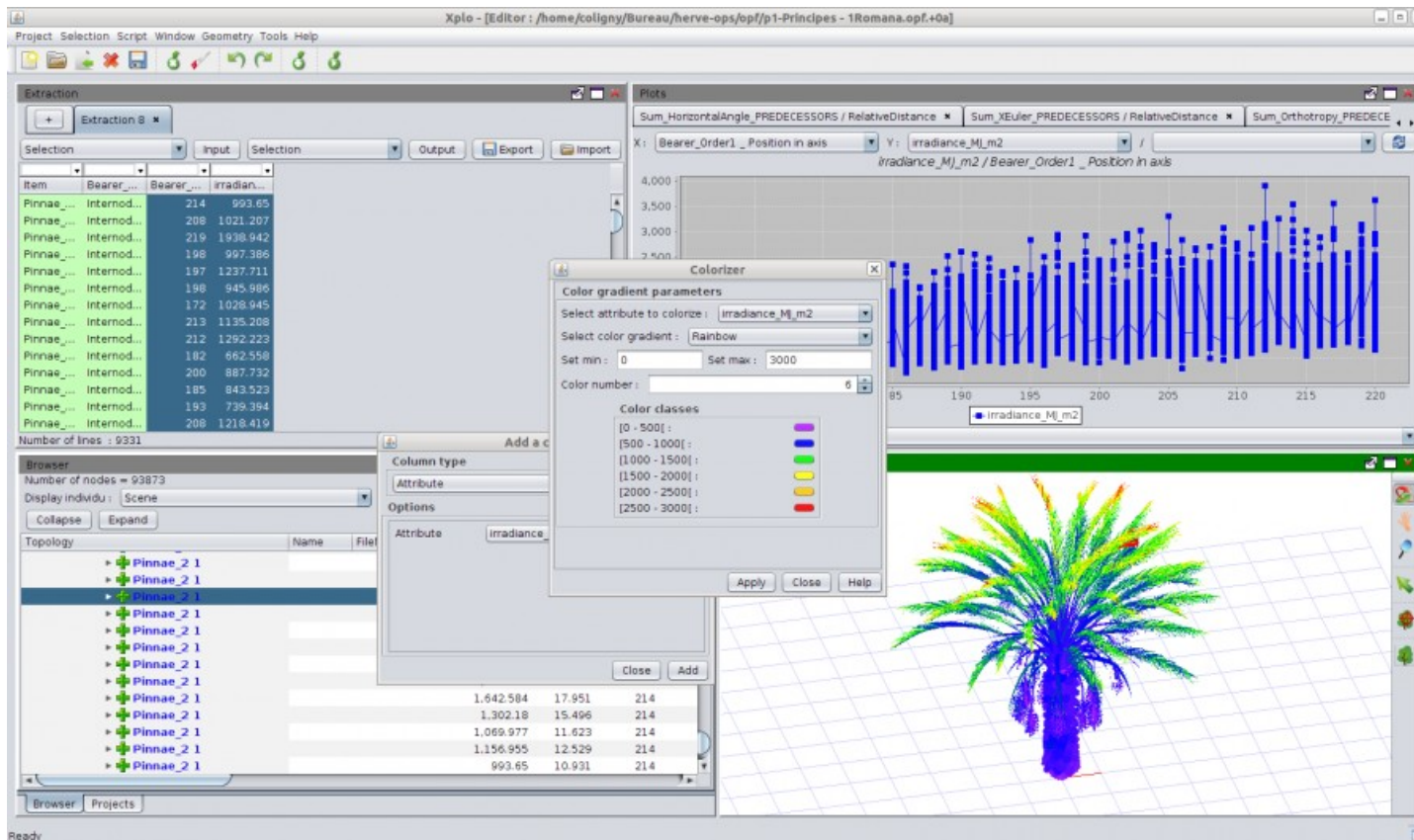
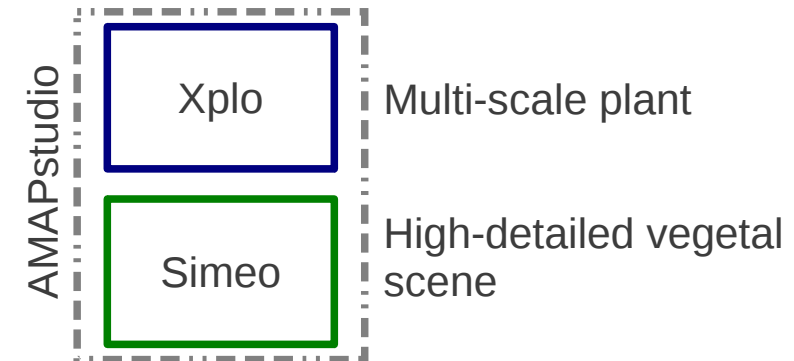
The Capsis documentation

- 1. Using Capsis: documentation for the end-users
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 - 2.7 Libraries
 - 2.8 Specific concerns
 - 2.9 Technical topics for skilled developers
- 3. Training lessons
 - Capsis 4.2.2 training (2010) [new]
 - Previous trainings
- 4. Presentations and other documentations
- 5. Reports of Capsis annual meetings
- 6. Conventions, norms
- 7. References
- 8. Useful links

AMAPstudio: a software suite for plants architecture modelling

AMAPstudio contains applications and models

- to rebuild, explore, analyse and study the growth of plants from an architectural point of view
- at the individual or vegetal scene level



A palm-tree 3D mock-up under inspection in Xplo (Hervé Rey, Cirad AMAP)

AMAPstudio: a software suite for plants architecture modelling

An AMAP project: Botany and Computational Plant Architecture

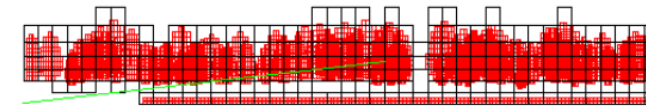
2006: FireParadox European project in Capsis
the Sketch 3D library (Java - OpenGL) to build 3D editors and viewers
Simeo first developments

2008: S. Griffon - Xplo, based on users specificities
Xplo and Simeo rely on the capsis kernel, the ArchiTree and Sketch

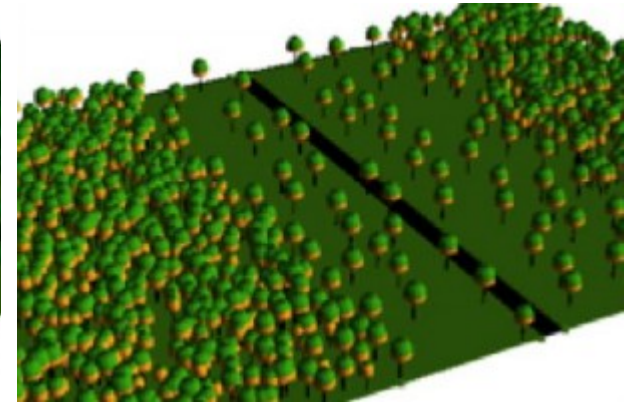
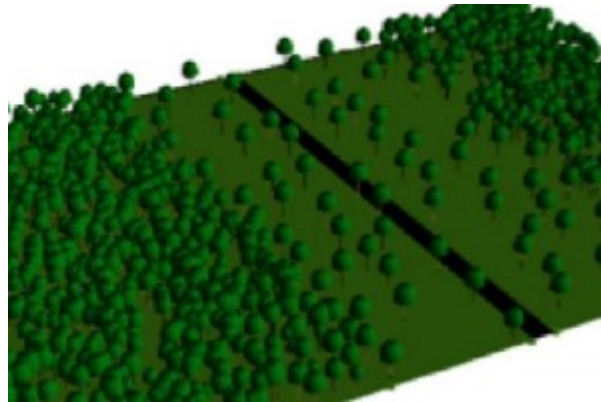
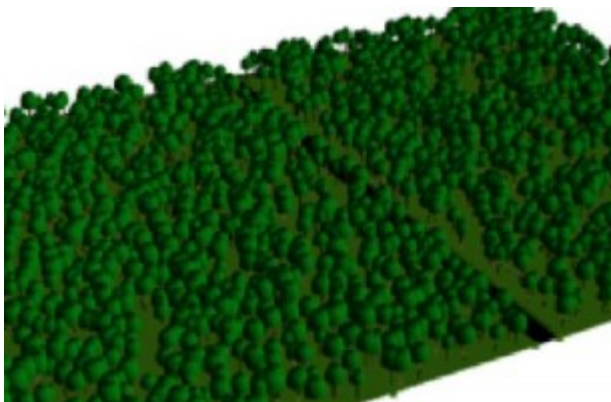
2011: Xplo and Simeo are distributed together in an AMAPstudio package
a web site is built, the software can be downloaded

2012: AMAPstudio is presented at PMA'12 (Shanghai, China)
a paper in the IEEE proceedings

2013: AMAPstudio is presented at FSPM2013 (Saariselka, Finland)
a paper is accepted in Ecological Modelling

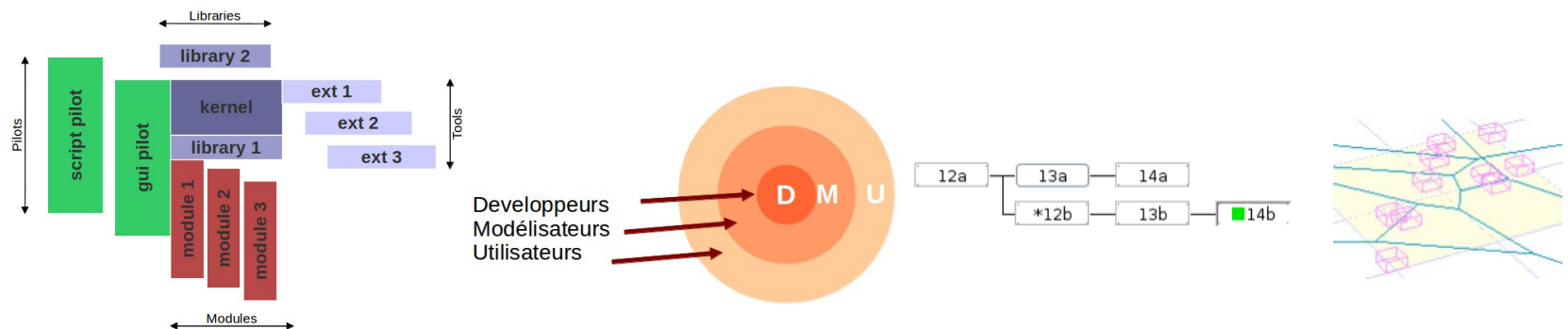
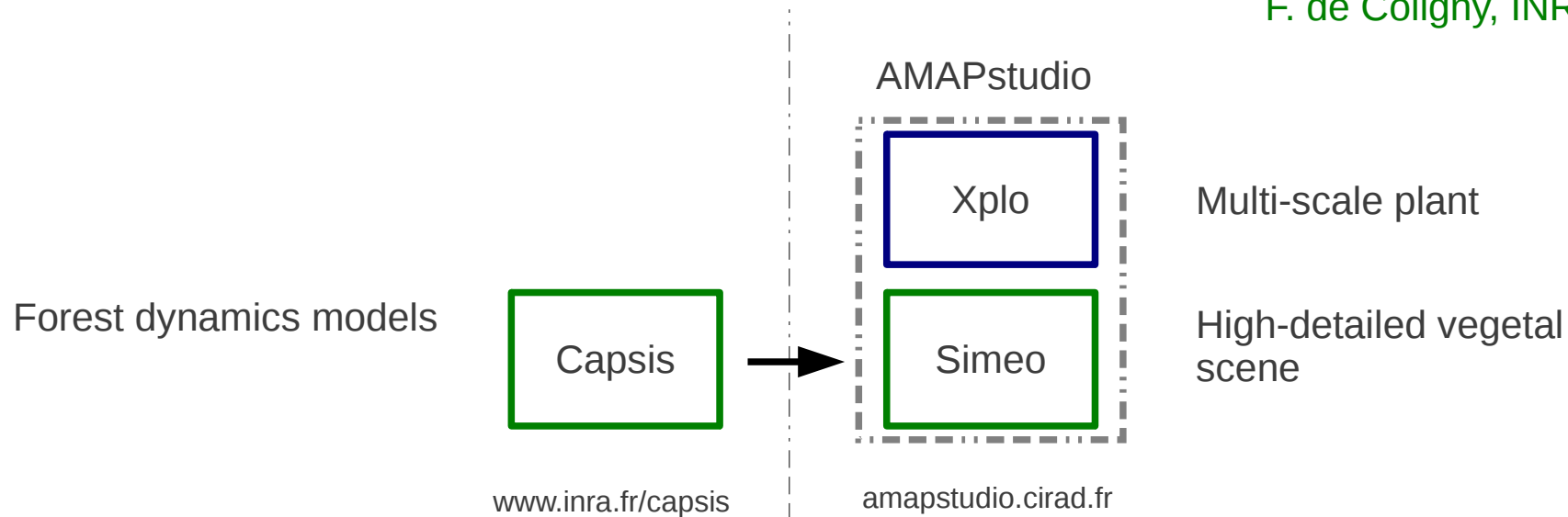


Capsis-FireParadox, export Firetec



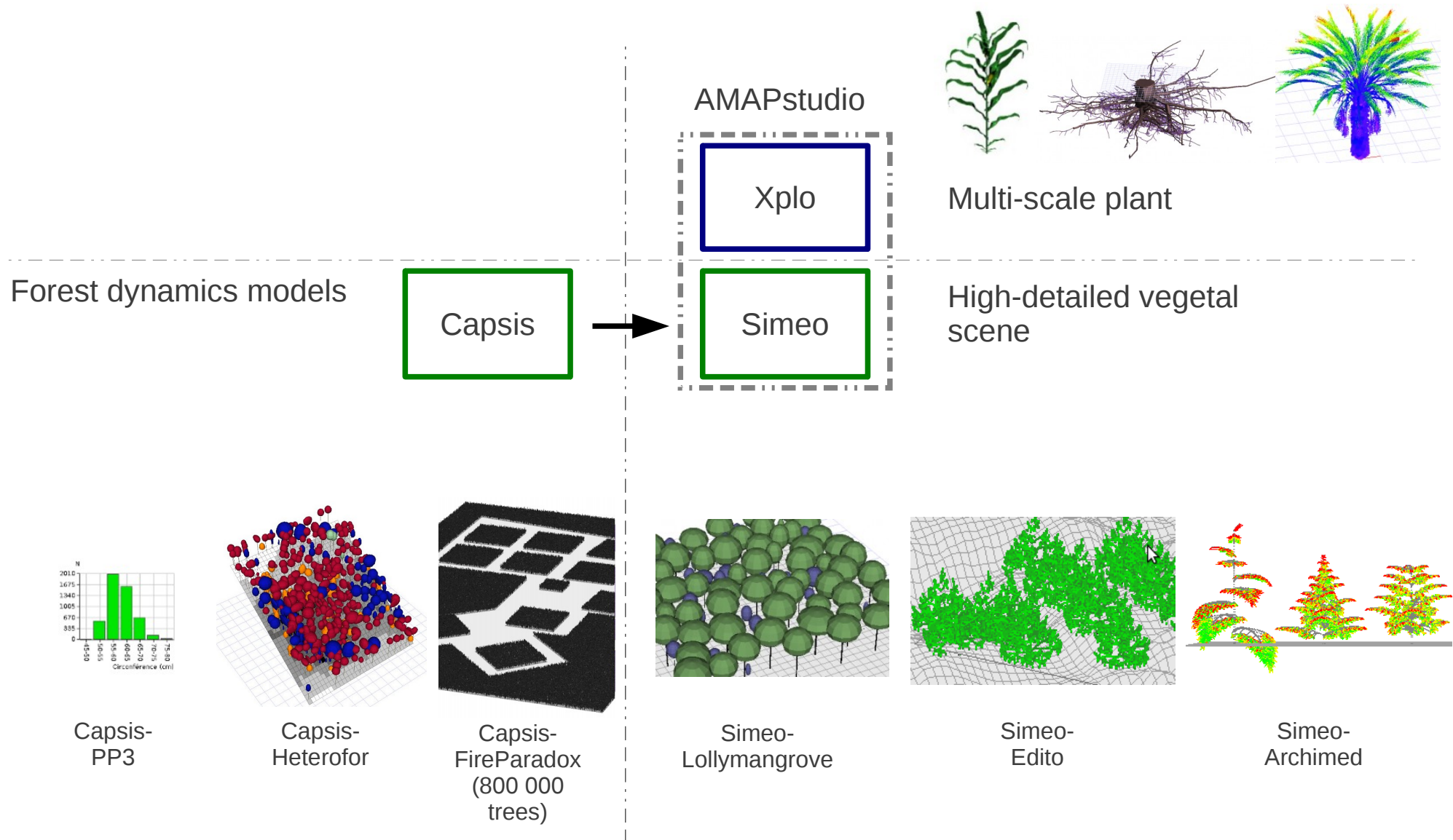
AMAPstudio: a software suite for plants architecture modelling

S. Griffon, Cirad AMAP
F. de Coligny, INRA AMAP



Mutualization

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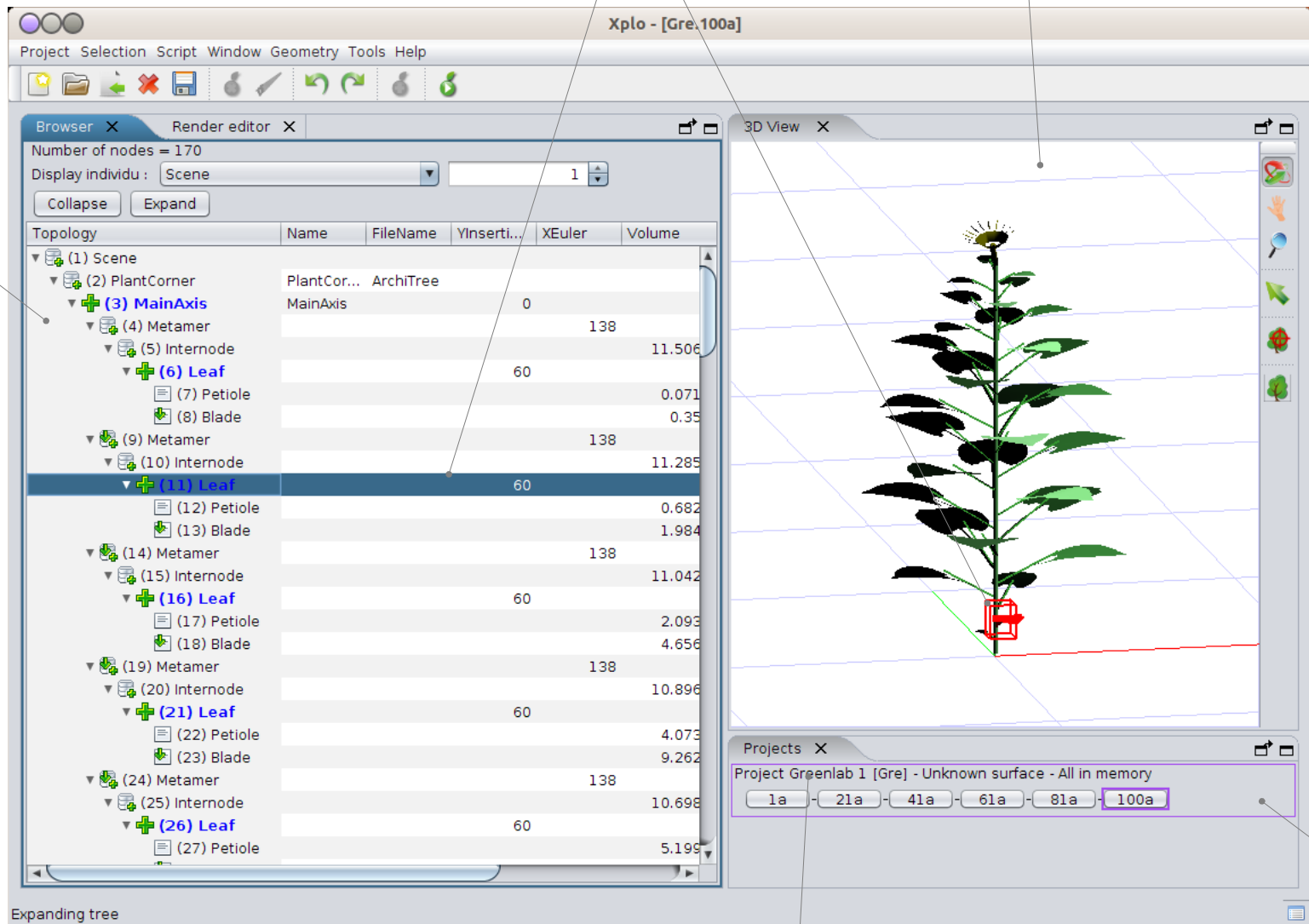
Xplo: how does it work ?

Excel like editor

selection

3D View

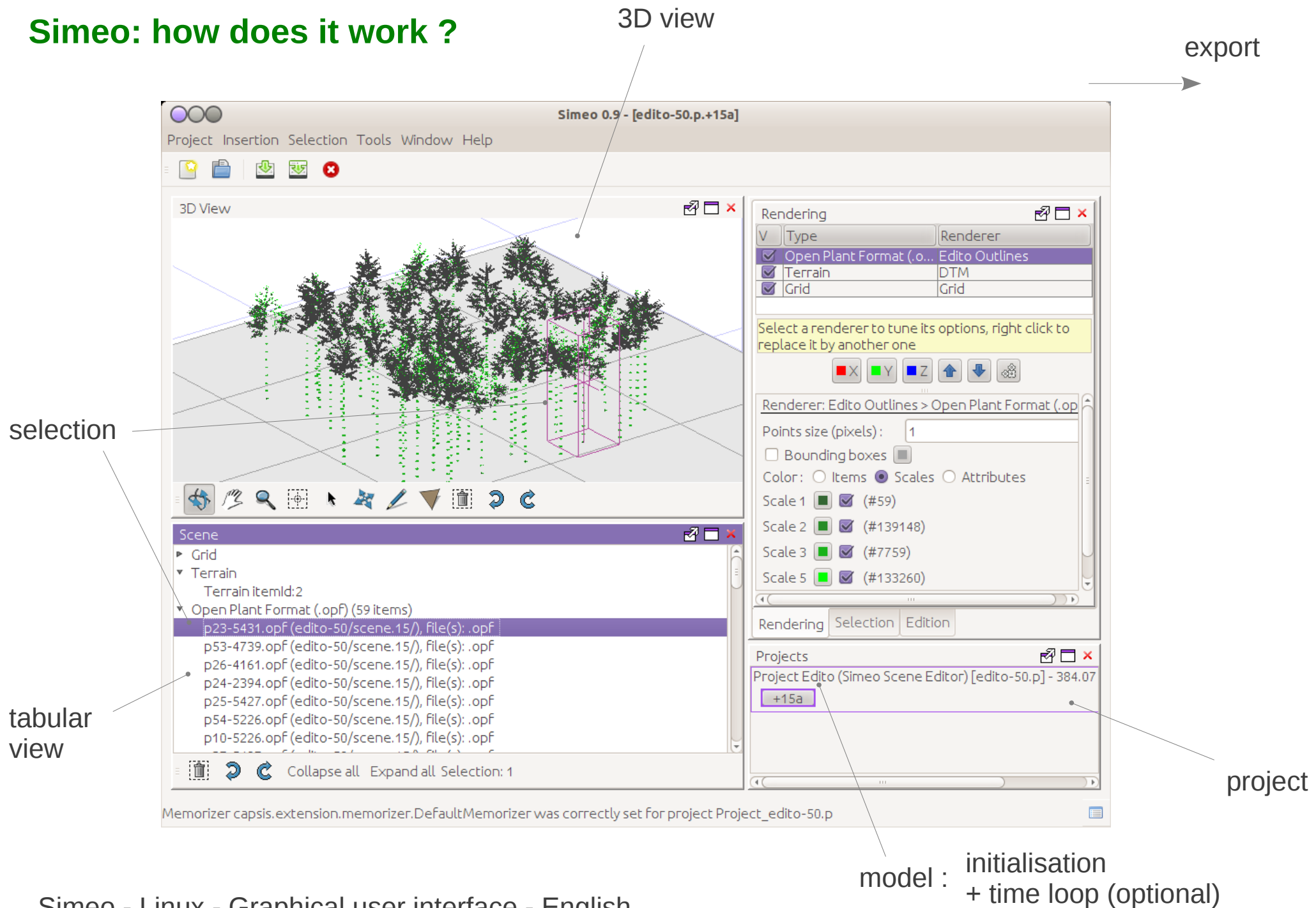
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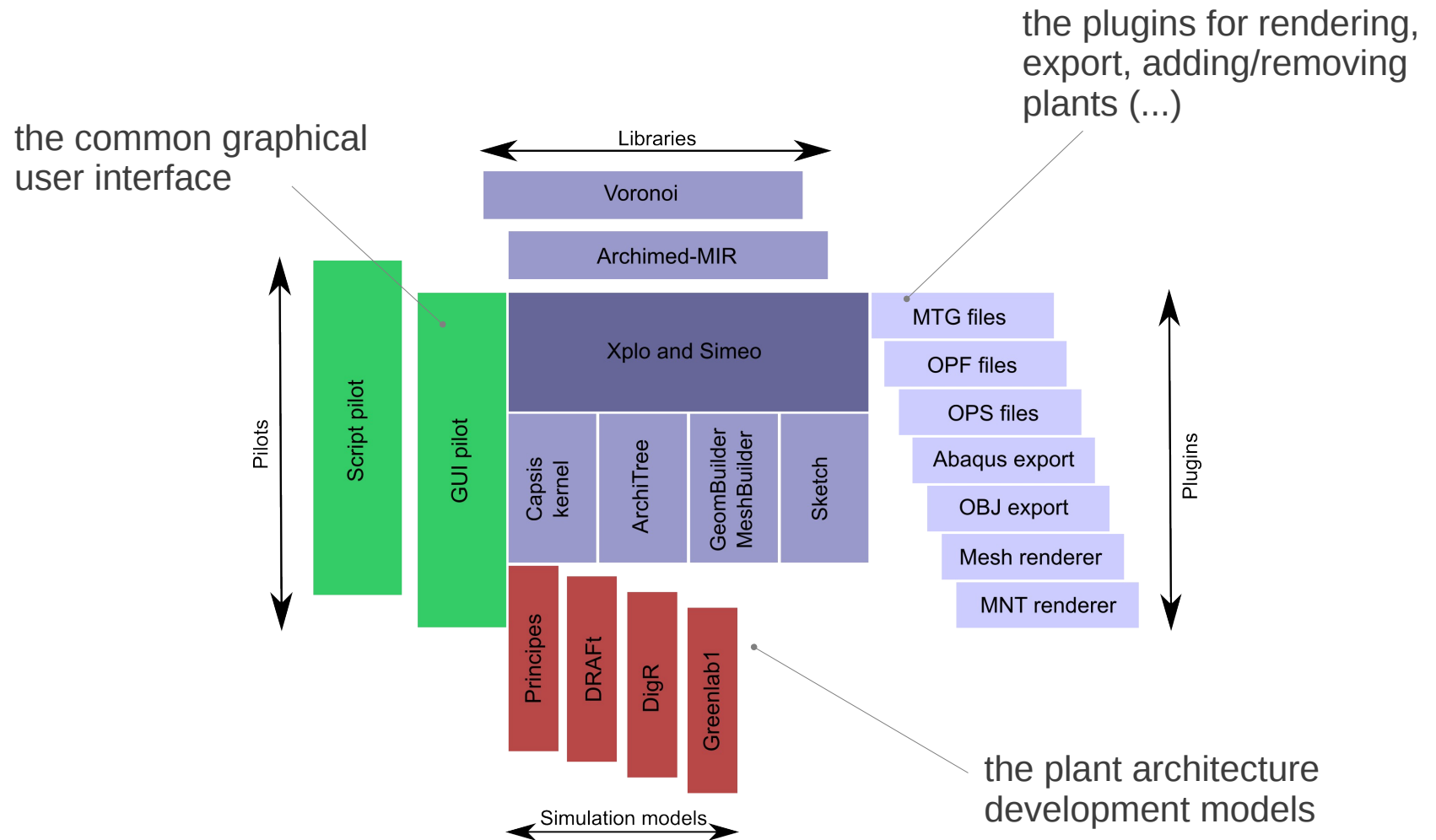
project

model : initialisation
+ time loop (optional)

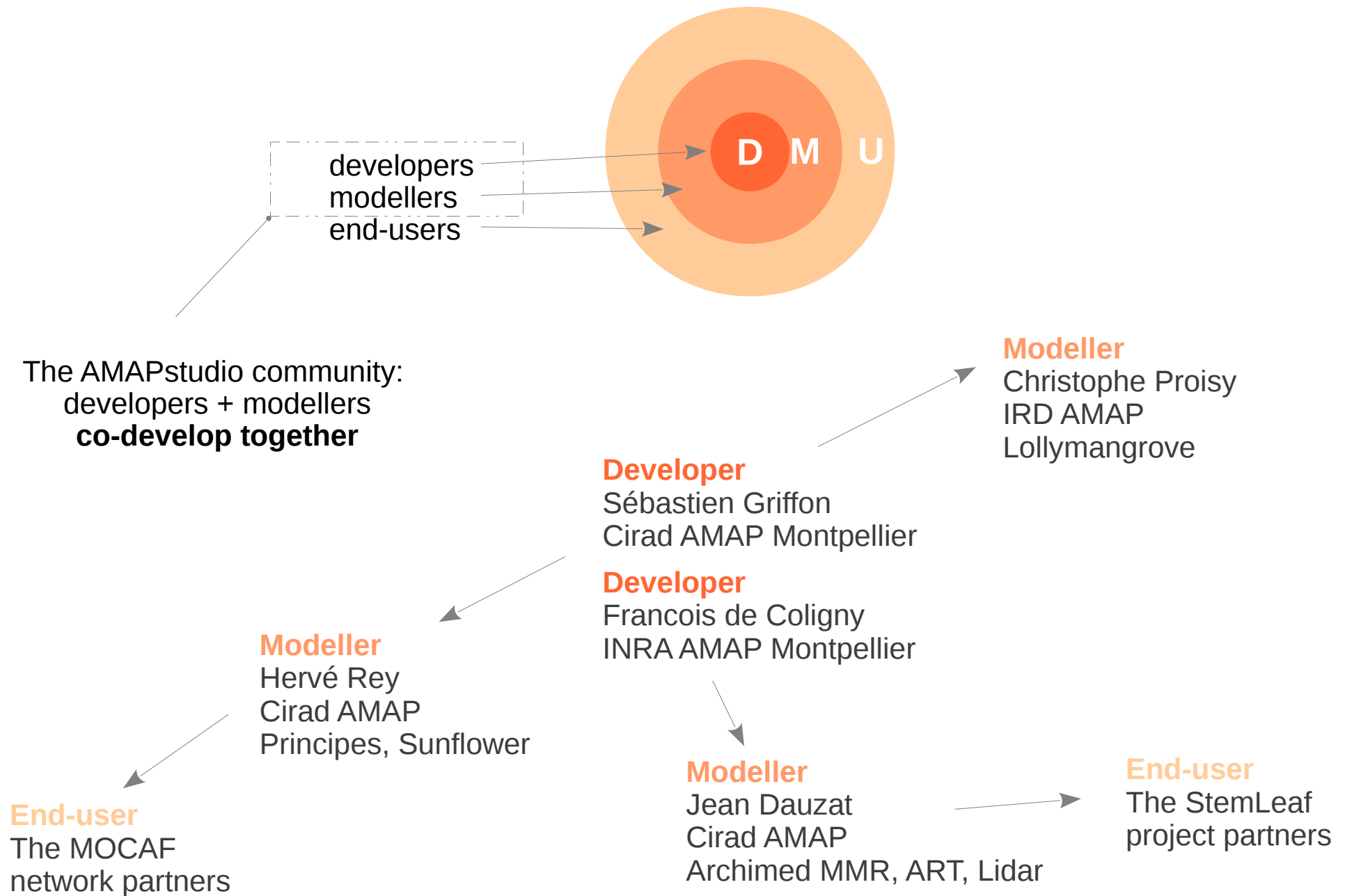
Simeo: how does it work ?



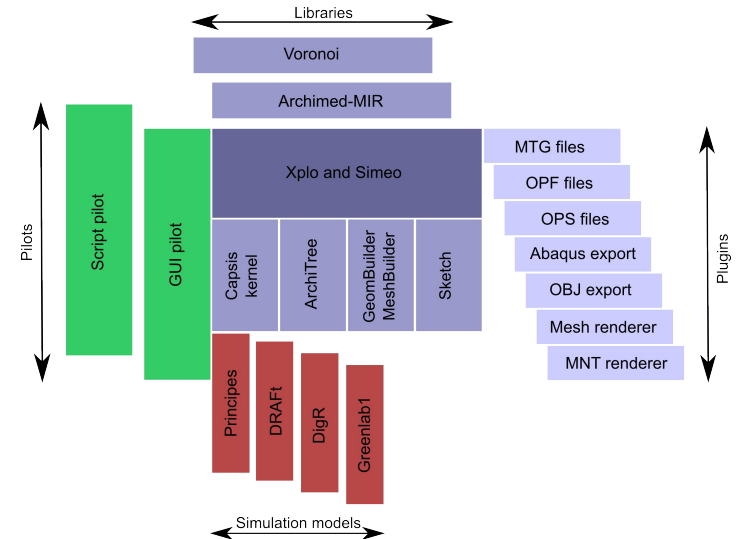
Xplo / Simeo: Software design



AMAPstudio: Actors and roles



AMAPstudio: the Charter



Clear participation rules

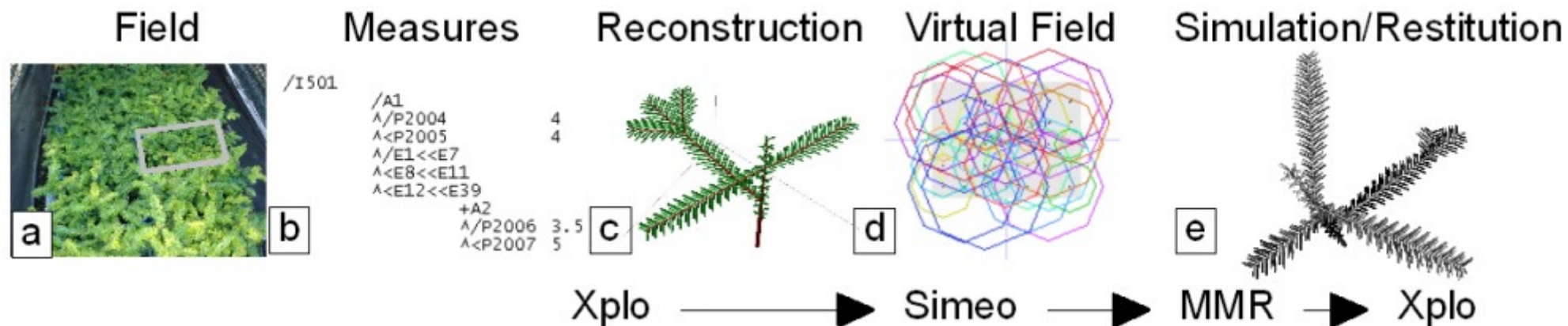
All the common parts are free software (LGPL), they are reusable by everyone
-> all **except the workspace/, xplo/module/ and simeo/module/ directories**

- **Free kernel:** the AMAPstudio kernel is a free software (LGPL licence) : **kernels** + **generic pilots** + **extensions** + **libraries**
- **Development:** the modellers are in charge of the development of their models in AMAPstudio
- **Support:** They can have support from the developers : training sessions, design, starting help, further assistance
- **Free access in the community:** All the source codes are freely accessible by all members in the AMAPstudio community, modules may become the base for new modules, code can be shared...
- **Respect of intellectual property:** all members respect the intellectual property of the other members
- **Validations:** developers deal with technical validation, modellers deal with functional validation
- **Distribution:** the stabilized / validated modules may be distributed when the author decides and chooses a licence (LGPL free license suggested)
- **Decentralization:** modellers manage directly the relations with their end-users: financing, training, assistance, models documentation, contracts...

Xplo and Simeo editors

- create plants / vegetal scenes interactively
- check and correct them, build geometry
- run biophysical simulations (e.g. biomechanics)
- load and save plant / vegetal scenes
- export to other formats

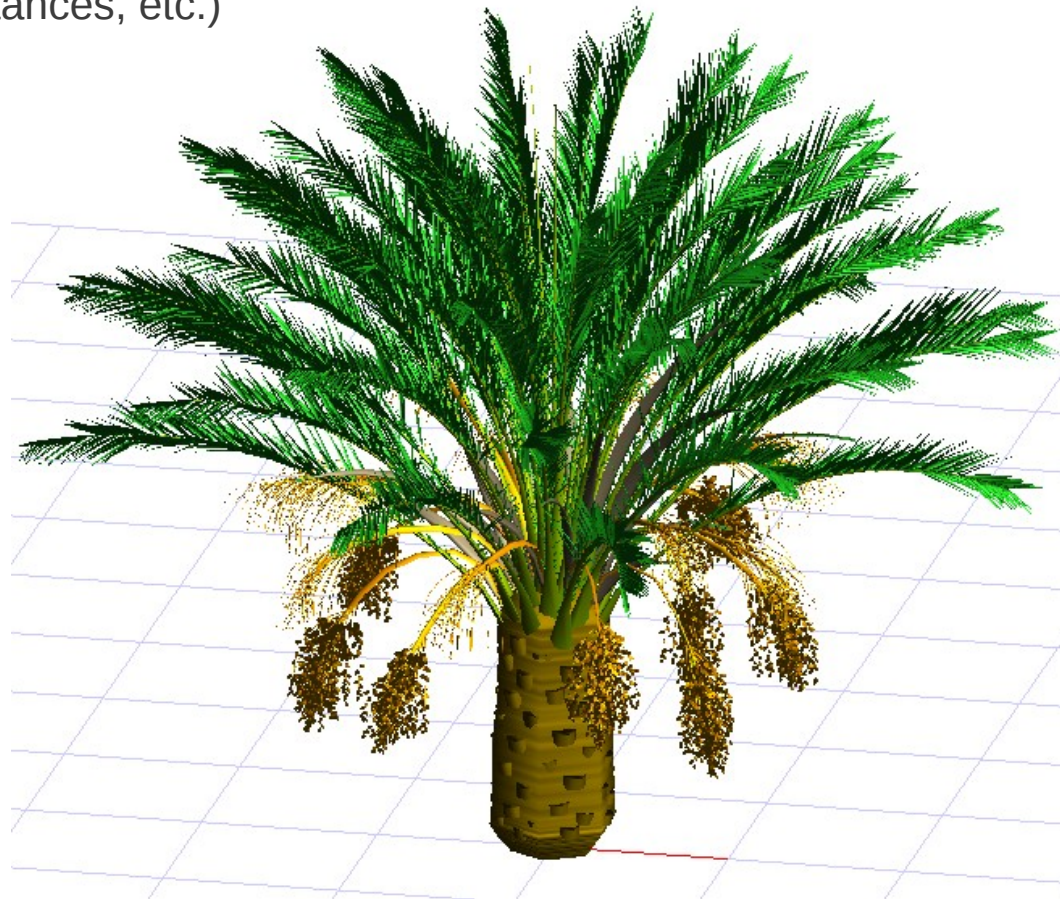
An example: Retrospective analysis of fir sapling growth vs. light interception (Taugourdeau et al. 2010)



From plot to simulation, (a) view of a subplot in the dry (D) treatment, (b) plant architecture coded in accordance with AMAPMOD/MTG syntax (Godin & Caraglio, 1998), (c) topological and geometrical plant reconstruction with Xplo, (d) stand reconstruction with Simeo, (e) light interception calculated using MMR model and analyses by Xplo

Principes

- models and simules the development and architecture of vegetative and reproductive parts of date palm (*Phoenix dactylifera* L.) from germination to any age
- a continuation of studies that have been carried out for almost 20 years on palm-tree architecture
- Principes brings a generic, multi-scale, structural model for palm-trees based on the organisation of the various organs
- each organ carries its own attributes (lengths, diameters, branching or deviation angles, inter organs distances, etc.)



DigR

- *DigR* (Rey et al., 2011) is a root architectural model and simulator
- it relies on topological concepts as apical growth, lateral branching, senescence and death, and geometrical features as secondary growth and axes spatial positioning
- each of these properties are sorted into a root typology
- the current version runs without functional processes, however AMAPstudio will help developing further versions including functional – structural interactions during growth simulation and dealing with environmental influence (i.e. soil properties or aerial part contribution)



Greenlab 1

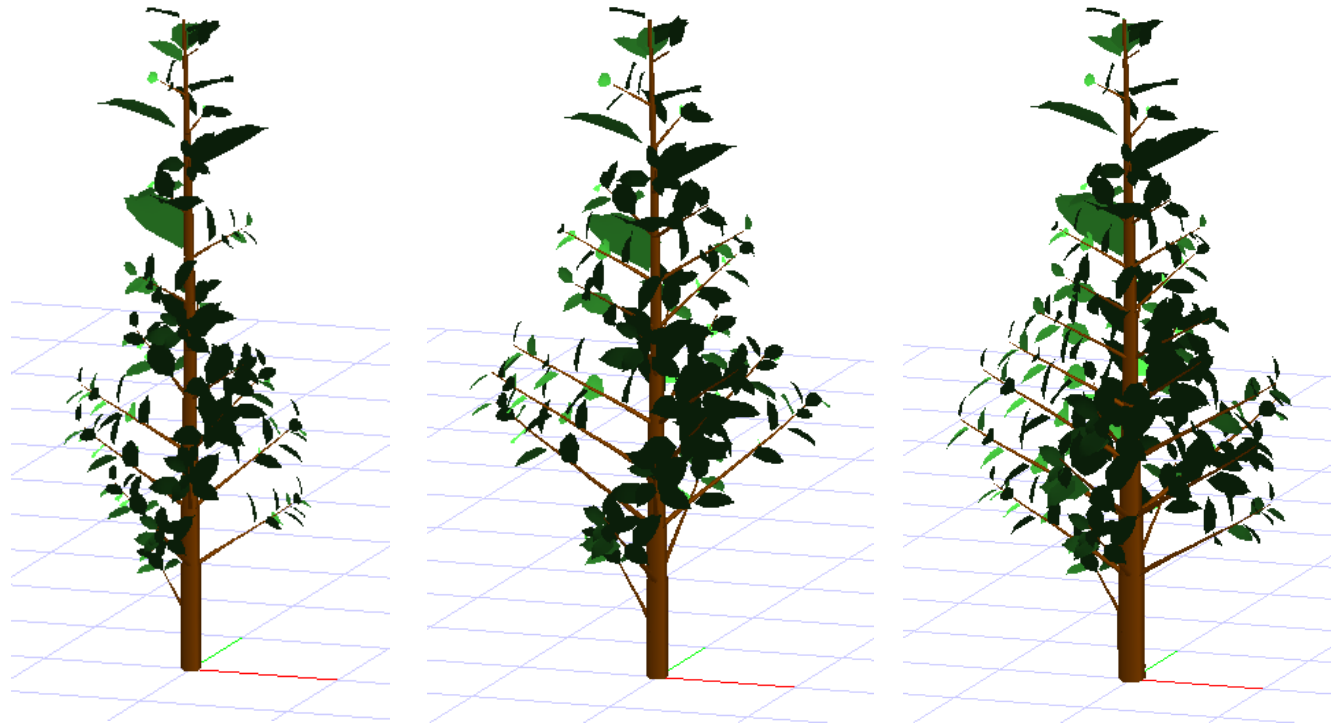
- *Greenlab* is a mathematical plant model simulating interactions between plant structure and functions
- biomass produced by organs (sources) is allocated to expanding organs (sinks) according to their relative demand
- plant parameters can be adjusted by fitting on real measurements
- *Greenlab* can compute the plant architecture for various species in interaction with their environment
- this model's underlying concepts can potentially predict the plant's phenotypic plasticity, for instance, pruning affects the internal competition for the resources and may lead to different leaf sizes



de Reffye P, Hu B-G. Relevant qualitative and quantitative choices for building an efficient dynamic plant growth model: GreenLab case. In: Hu B, Jaeger M, eds. Plant Growth Modeling and Applications (PMA03); Proceedings of the 2003 International Symposium on Plant Growth Modeling, Simulation, Visualization and Their Applications; Tsinghua University Press, Springer; 2003. p. 87-107

DRAft (Demand, Resource, Architecture and Functioning at discrete time)

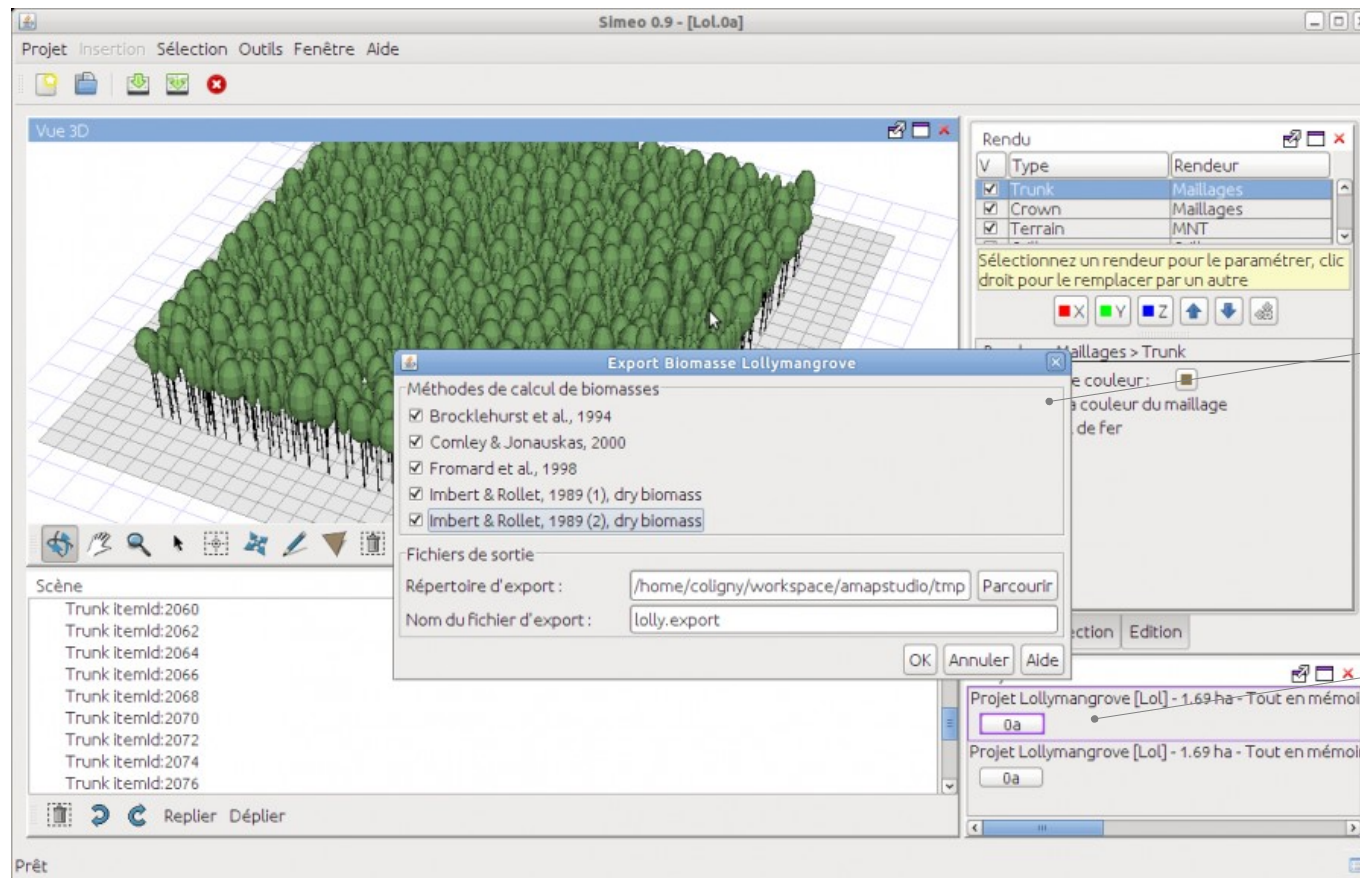
- a minimal FSPM designed to simulate emerging plants morphogenetical gradients
- tree architecture gradients is an emerging property of the interplay between structure function and iterative development
- DRAft simulates the development and functioning of the tree aerial part at a yearly step
- it is based on biomass allocation, and relies on a 6 parameters equations system
- minimalist approach -> possible to use analytical tools to study the model sensitivity and behaviour



Taugourdeau O, Barczy J-F, Caraglio Y. Simulation of Morphogenetical Gradients Using a Minimal Functional-Structural Plant Model (FSPM). In: Kang M., Dumont Y., Guo Y., eds. Plant Growth Modeling, Simulation, Visualization and Applications. Proceedings of PMA12. Shanghai, China: IEEE press; 2012. p. 379-387.

Lollymangrove

- develop a standardized protocol for describing mangrove stands from forest inventories
- integrate allometric relationships between DBH, crown dimension, tree height and tree biomass to make possible the visualization of lollypop-like mangrove stands
- compute biomass at both the tree and stand scales
- provide a robust and easy-to-use interface allowing data exportation into various formats directly usable by other simulation tools (e.g. the DART model, a 3D radiative transfer model able to simulate optical remote sensing images)



biomass
export

no growth
model

InSilEco - Architectural plasticity in ecological communities

- simulate the growth of several tree individuals in a forest stand
- the growth of an axis depends on the amount of light that it and its leaves receive
- the simulation process then combines architectural rules defined at species level (AmapSim), an illumination module used to assess light interception by leaves (MIR), and a coupling of axis growth and ramification capabilities with local light interception

The objective is to assess the effect of competition for light within and between species on the overall structure of the forest stand



Exporting to other formats / software

.ops / .opf / .mtg

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# Simeo OpsFormatExport: Mon Oct 15 11:46:11 CEST 2012
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# Part 1: one line per plant in the scene
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1	4	opf/p4-mod_Massart_10.opf	45.36609940359506			

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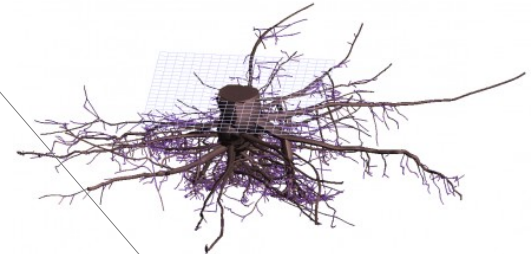
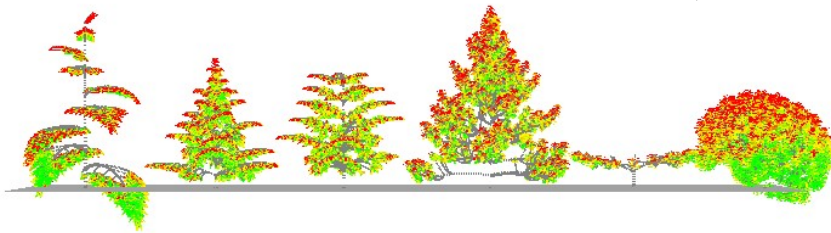
Xplo

Simeo

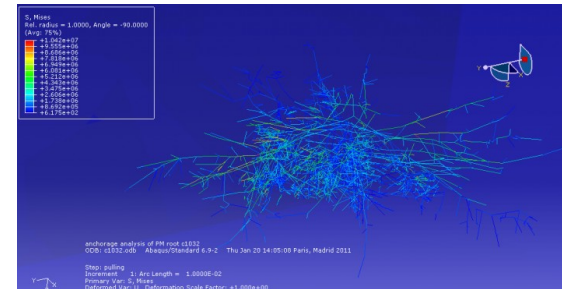
.obj (Blender...)



Archimed MMR / ART / Lidar



Abacus



Communication

- presented in PMA'12 in Shanghai, China
- presented in FSPM2013 in Saariselka, Finland
- a web site
 - documentation for the modellers: <http://amapstudio.cirad.fr/>
 - up to date projects list
- a reference paper accepted in Ecological Modelling



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Community news

- Chloé Bourden (Master student, IRD AMAP) used Simeo - Lollymangrove in order to (1) upload and verify her field inventory data, (2) calculate the plots' biomass and carbon with different allometry models and (3) visualise the type of structure for mangrove populations. (C. Bourden, 2.7.2013)
- AMAPstudio was presented by S. Griffon at FSPM2013, the 7th International Conference on Functional – Structural Plant Models in Saariselka, Finland (9-14th june). (F. de Coligny, 14.6.2013)
- A Palm tree workshop related to ecophysiology and modelling has been organized by Cirad last 22nd May 2013. During this workshop, the AMAP lab presented a collective contribution showing the past collaborations with the other teams in Montpellier, the new projects, the goals regarding scientific results and applications, and the possible partnerships to reach them. [2013-05-22-rey-journee-palmier-a-huile-agap.pdf](#) (H. Rey, 23.5.2013)
- René Lecoustre, Jean-Francois Barczi and Hervé Rey attended the First International Meeting on Phylogenetic Resources of Date-Palm from 15 to 17 April 2013 in Djerba, Tunisia. They presented two communication on (i) statistical studies on the allometric relationships for the vegetative part (PRINCIPES model) and (ii) root architecture analysis and modelling (DigR model) of Phoenix dactylifera. After this meeting, a working program was built for the next two years concerning the MOCAF and PHC Maghreb projects. (H. Rey, 29.4.2013)



- A paper about AMAPstudio was published in the IEEE proceedings of the PMA'12 international conference, see the Publications page for more details. (F. de Coligny, 25.11.2012)

Perspectives

Capsis is in production

- support new projects starting
- training courses, starting sessions
- permanent support
- annual meeting

AMAPstudio is younger

- improve our software
- support medium / big size projects like Capsis (ANR, European project...)
- find partners outside the lab
 - > an under progress partnership with GroIMP (Winfried Kurth)
- support simulation models for high detailed vegetation scenes



Thank you for your attention