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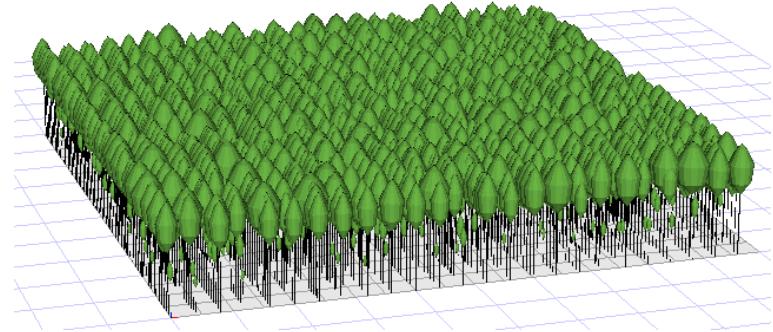
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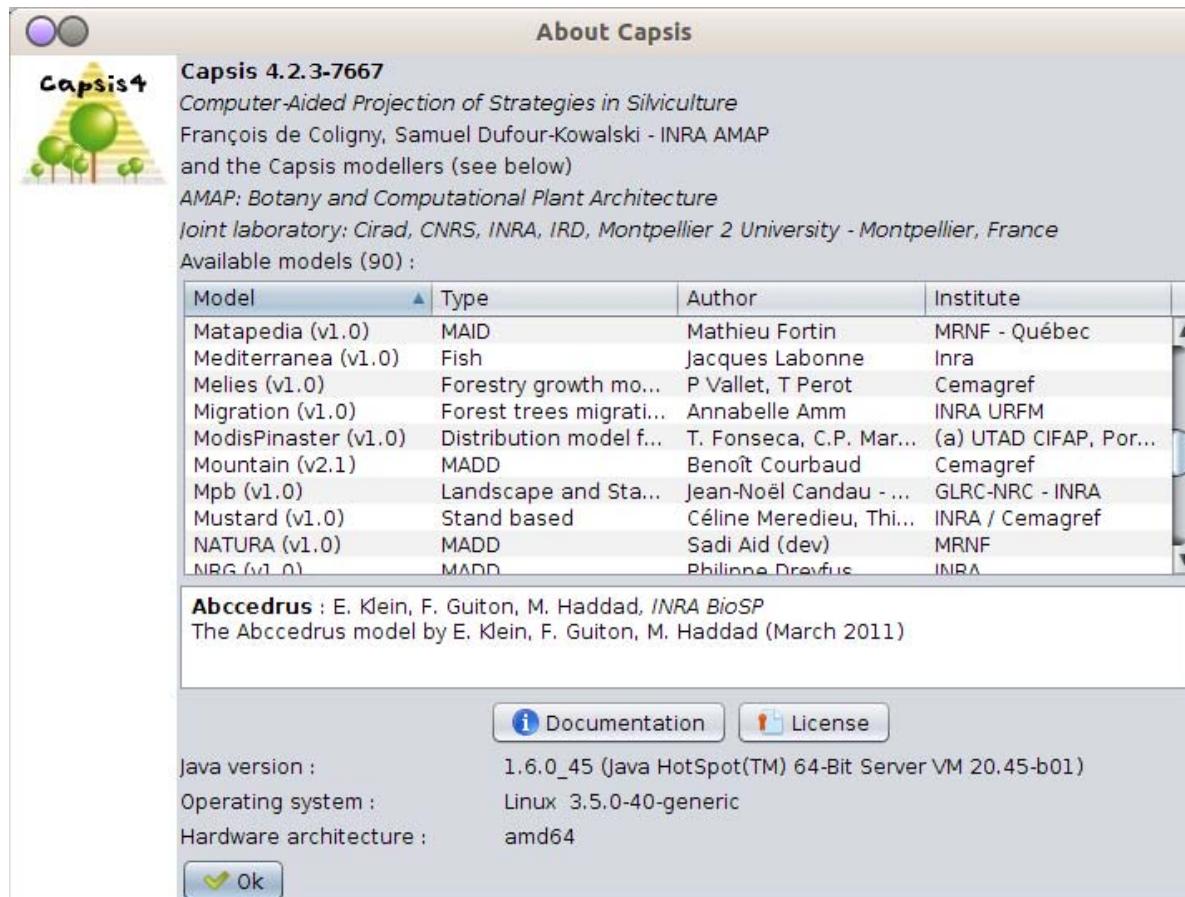
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# Capsis: 1994-2014

## A Generic Software Platform for forestry modelling

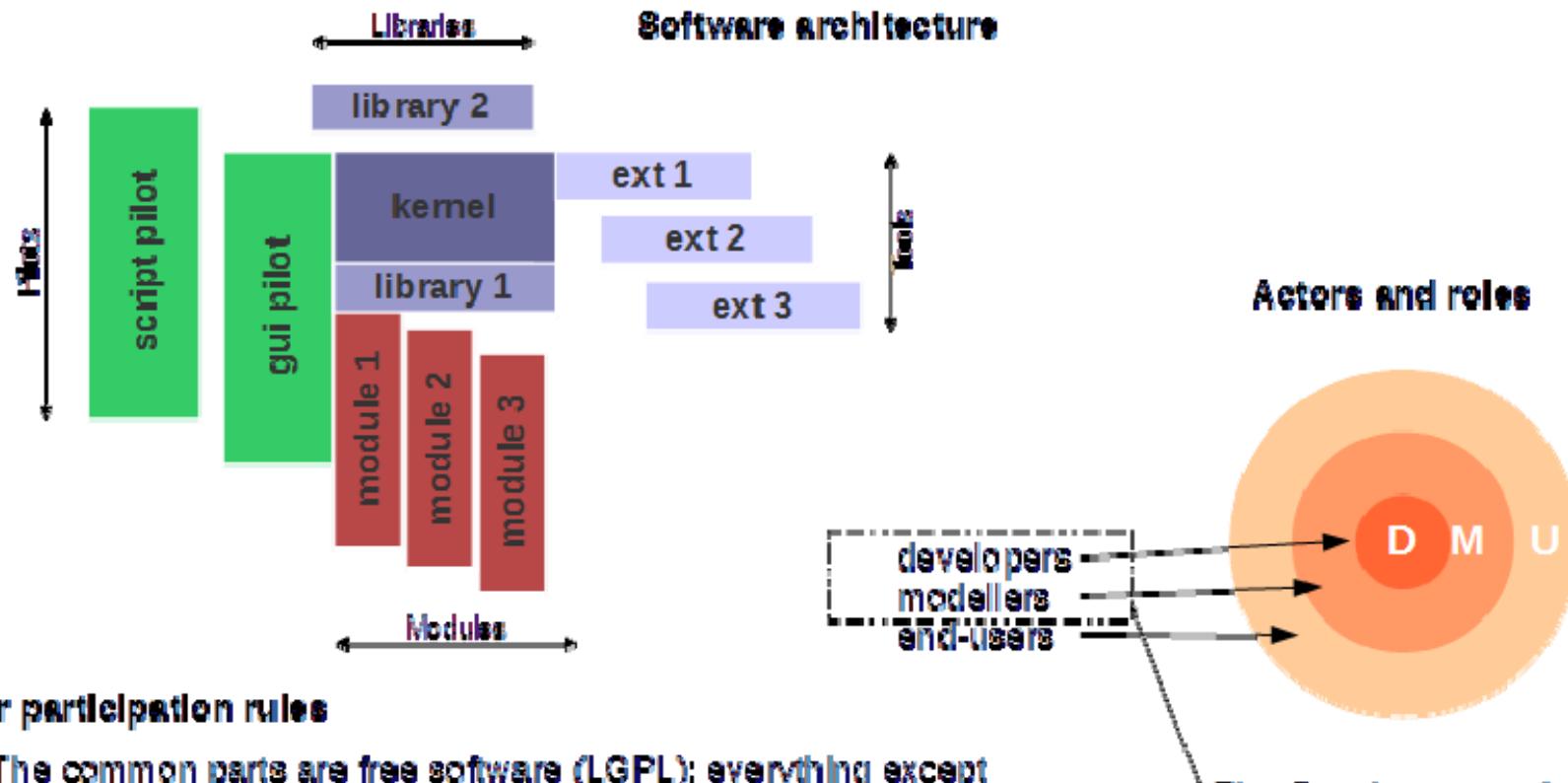
Objectives: Build a **software platform** to integrate **forest growth & yield / dynamics models** for **modellers, managers and teaching**



Started in 1994 by Philippe Dreyfus (INRA URFM, Avignon)



## Capsele : main options



### Clear participation rules

The common parts are free software (LGPL): everything except the red parts is reusable by anybody

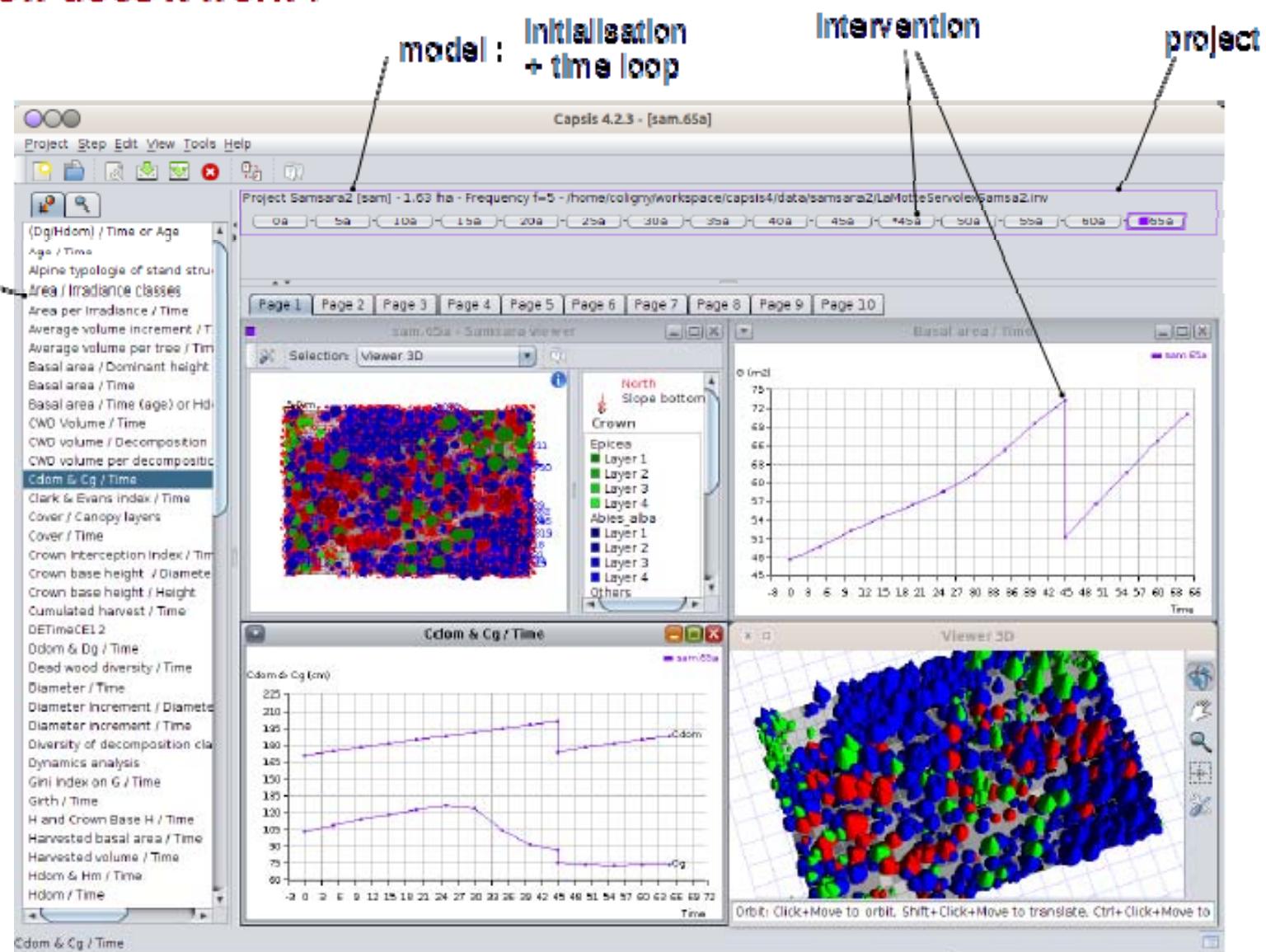
### The Capsis charter (extract):

- the modellers are in charge of the development of their models
- the growth models are not free: red parts
- all the source codes are freely accessible by all members in the Capsis community...

The Capsis community:  
developers + modellers  
co-develop together

## Capsis: how does It work ?

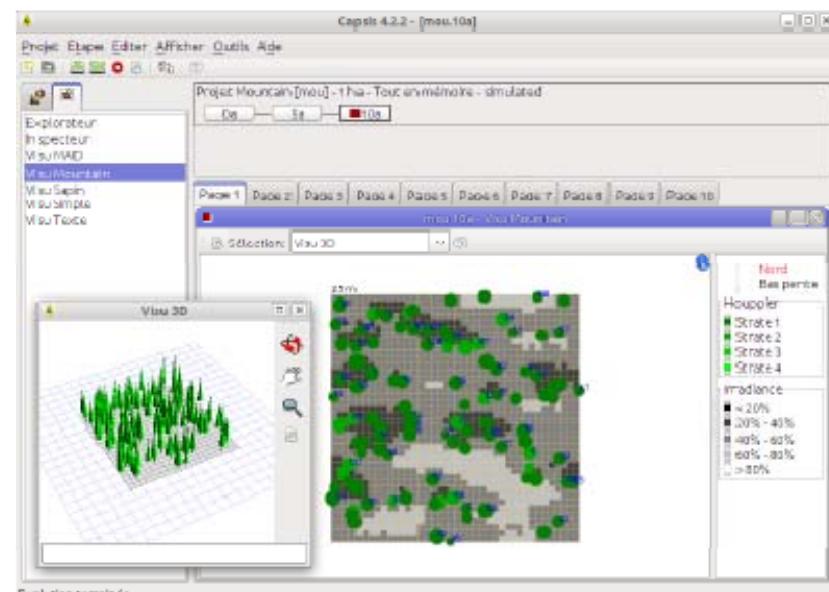
Integrated  
viewers and  
charts



Capsis - Linux - Graphical user Interface - English

# Capsis: several ways of use

Interactive (french / english)



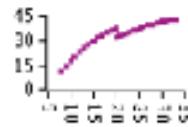
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coligny@coligny-Latitude-E6420:~/workspace/capsis4$ coligny@coligny-Latitude-E6420:~/workspace/capsis4$ capsis4 -script mountain.py --script.mou.10a --script.mou.10b
Capsis 4.2.2, (C) 2000-2011, F. de Coligny, S. Mauhart et al.
Capsis comes with ABSOLUTELY 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 License files.

Capsis 4.2.2-SNAPSHOT with all lat.capsis.script.R[ent] correct last at 15 Sep 2011 11:04:48 (EST)
working dir: /home/coligny/workspace/capsis4

Launching script: mou.10a.py --script...
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scriptMou -> mou/mou.10a...
Loading initial stand from /home/coligny/workspace/capsis4/data/mountain/MouInitial...
Initial stand was correctly loaded.
Creation des rayons lumineux en cours.
Calcul des voisances par rayon.
Initialisation initial des rayons.
La plante/levent=0.8 : properties.
Memorizer capsis.extension.memorizer.CompactMemorizer was correctly set for project Project a.
ScriptR1 - R1
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scriptR2 - R2
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Processing Intervention...
scriptR2 - R2
(0-> 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9)
scriptR3 - R3
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Processing Intervention...
Saving project a...
scriptR3 - R3
Alert message (exit)
End of script mountain.py --script...
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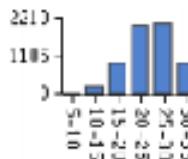
- Not Interactive: with scripts
- long simulations
  - run on clusters
  - sensitivity analyses...

## Models for maritime pine In the Landes de Gascogne



Lemoline model (stand level, plantation):

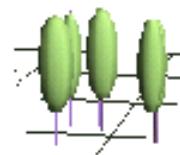
- age, number of trees, girth (dominant, mean), basal area, height (dominant, mean), volume (mean)



PP3 model (distribution model, plantation):

a list of trees

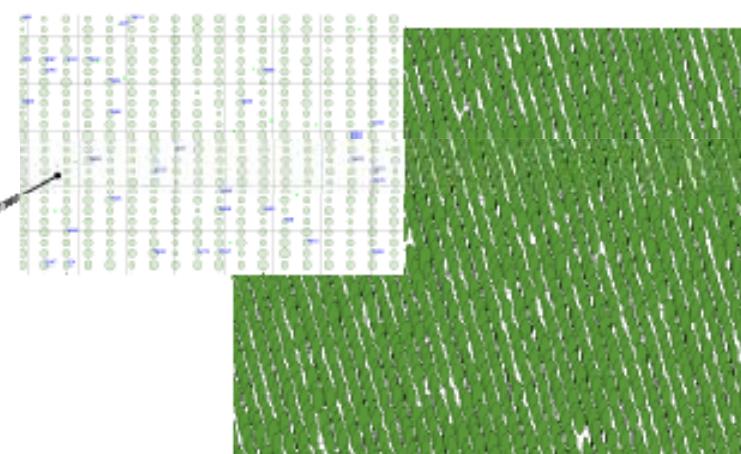
- age, diameter, height, volume of each tree, crown (height, diameter), other information (biomass, carbon, etc.) + number



Phénaster (Individual-based, spatialized)

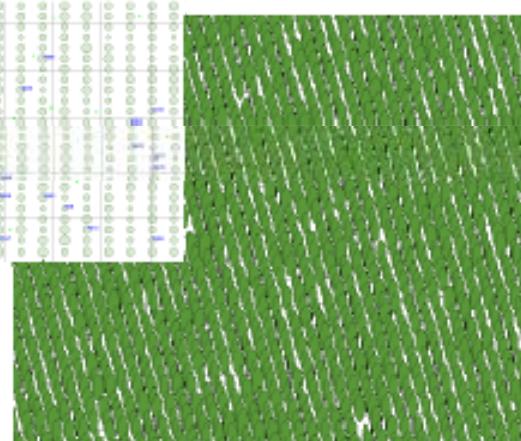
a rewriting of PP3

Integration of spatialized processes

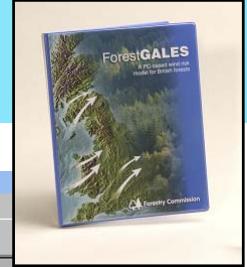


Applications, further works:

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



# Software ForestGALES 2 in 2004



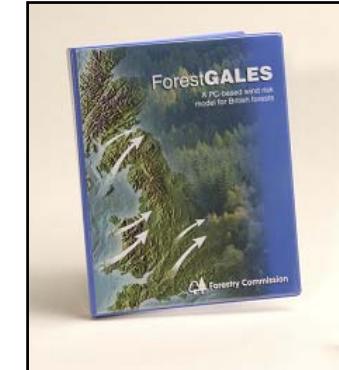
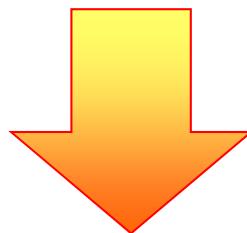
**Input :**  
Classical yield table,  
mean and dominant  
stand values; each  
line corresponds to a  
stand at a given age

**Outputs :**  
Critical wind speed and its return  
period for breakage and overturning  
for each stand description of the  
input table

The screenshot shows the ForestGALES software interface. At the top is a menu bar with File, Mode, Window, Help. Below it is a toolbar with icons for Open, Save, Print, and others. The main window has tabs for "Batch mode input file" and "Batch mode helper". The "Batch mode input file" tab displays a yield table with columns for Stand ID, Age, Drainage, Top Height(m), DBH(m), Spacing(m), Upwind Gap(m), and DAMS. The "Batch mode helper" tab shows a dialog for stand SC003 with fields for DESCRIPTION (Corsican Pine), VALUE (2), SITE (2), SPECIES (Littoral Soil), CULTIVATION (Shallow Ploughing < 45cm), and DRAINAGE (Good drainage). It also includes numerical inputs for Top Height (m), DBH (cm), Spacing (m), Up Wind Gap (m), and DAMS. The bottom part of the interface shows an "OUTPUT" table with columns for Stand ID, Overturn Retn, Breakage Retn, Crit\_Wind, Species, Soil, Cultivation, Drainage, Top Height(m), DBH(m), Spacing(m), DAMS, and Gap Size. The "Batch Mode" tab is visible at the bottom.

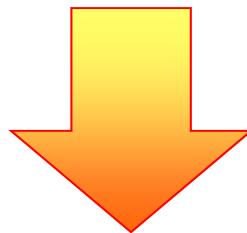
## ***ForestGALES 2.3***

Predicts the critical wind speeds



For monospecific and even-aged stands

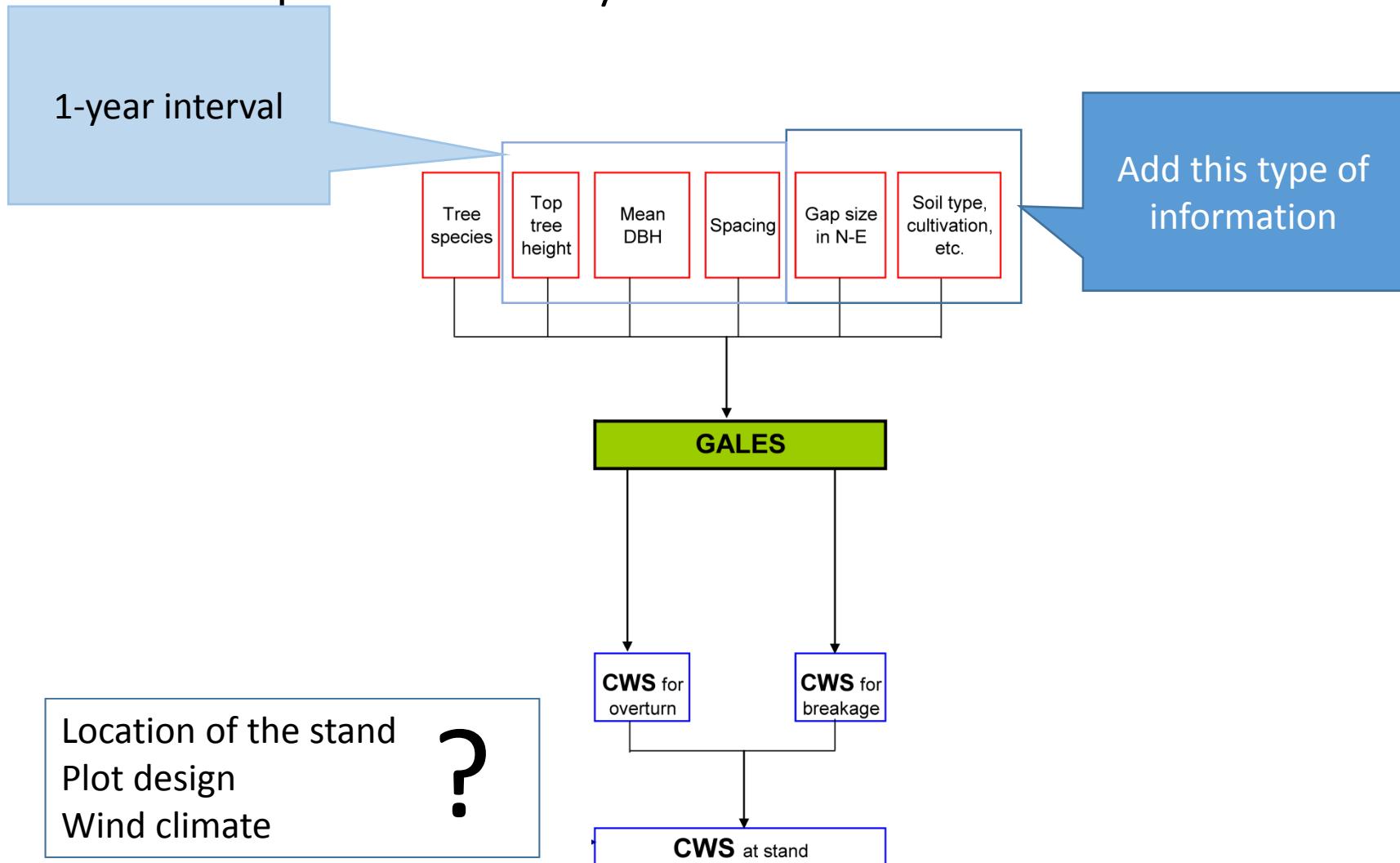
Implemented in a specific software Forest Gales



Aim in 2004 : Adapt this model to Maritime Pine  
cultivated in Les Landes de Gascogne

Determine the species' mechanical behaviour  
depending on local silviculture conditions

# The outputs of PP3/Lemoine for GALES



# How to adapt GALES to Maritime pine?

- Requirements
    - Crown width equation
    - Crown depth equation
    - Stem taper equation (for calculating stem weight)
    - Wood Modulus of Rupture (MOR)
    - Wood Modulus of Elasticity (MOE)
    - Wood density (for calculating stem weight)
    - Rooting resistance (function of tree size, rooting depth and soil type)
  - Inputs
    - Species
    - Height
    - Diameter (1.3 m)
    - Spacing (*for Roughness Method*)
    - Soil type
    - Rooting Depth
- Tree-pulling measurements

Trees (2004) 18: 460–466  
DOI 10.1007/s00468-004-0330-2

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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**Root anchorage of inner and edge trees in stands of Maritime pine (*Pinus pinaster*Ait.) growing in different podzolic soil conditions**

## Simulations at stand scale



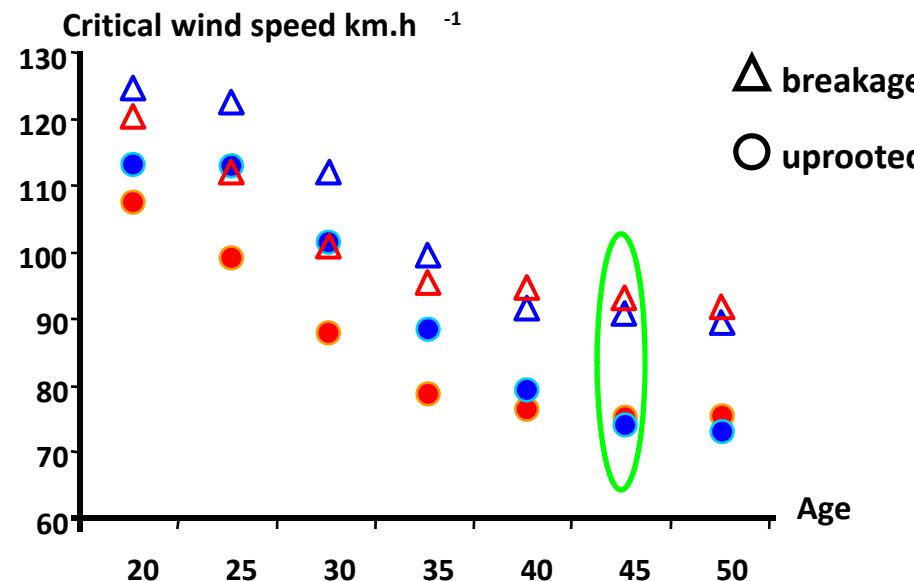
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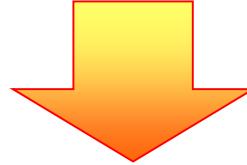
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	S1	S2
Initial density t/ha	1250	1500
Final density t/ha	300	300
Number of thinning	4	5





- Wind-firmness of stand decreases with stand age
- Dominant type of damage = uprooting
- Space between trees : impact on wind penetration



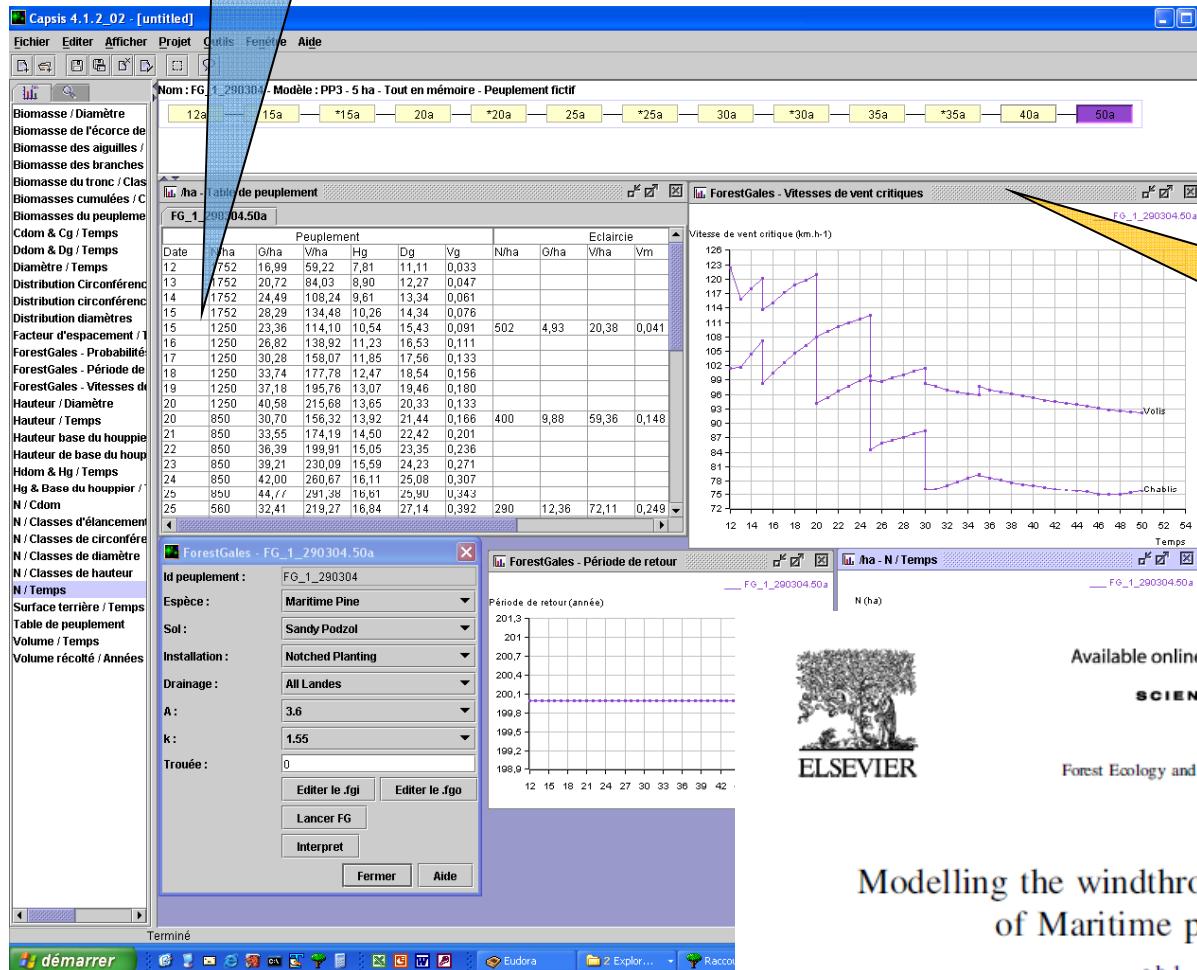
Consistent with observations made on real damages

BUT ForestGALES is thought to be too pessimistic  
BUT ForestGALES doe not integrate thinning impacts

- Strong influence of the slope of the regression on predictions
- Weak influence of crown size in high stand density

Windows to lauch  
ForestGales

# Forest Gales/Capsis+PP3 in 2004 : two softwares which exchange data; outputs in Capsis



Graph in  
Capsis to  
visualize  
results

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# In 2005, wind risk is a forgotten subject for INRA....

- But Klaus in 2009 !



- And Barry Gardiner came to Bordeaux in 2011... Be careful Wind Risk, a new team is ready !

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**Barry Gardiner, scientifique écossais reconnu internationalement, modélise les risques liés au vent dans les forêts**



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**physique de l'environnement (Ephyse) aux côtés d'Yves Brunet.**

L'accueil de scientifiques internationaux est une des priorités de l'Inra. Parmi les dispositifs en place, les packages scientifiques offrent des moyens significatifs en termes de rémunération et d'environnement scientifique. Barry Gardiner fait partie des deux chercheurs recrutés pour l'année 2011. Il a intégré pour quatre ans l'unité Ecologie fonctionnelle et

# Why implement ForestGales in Capsis ?

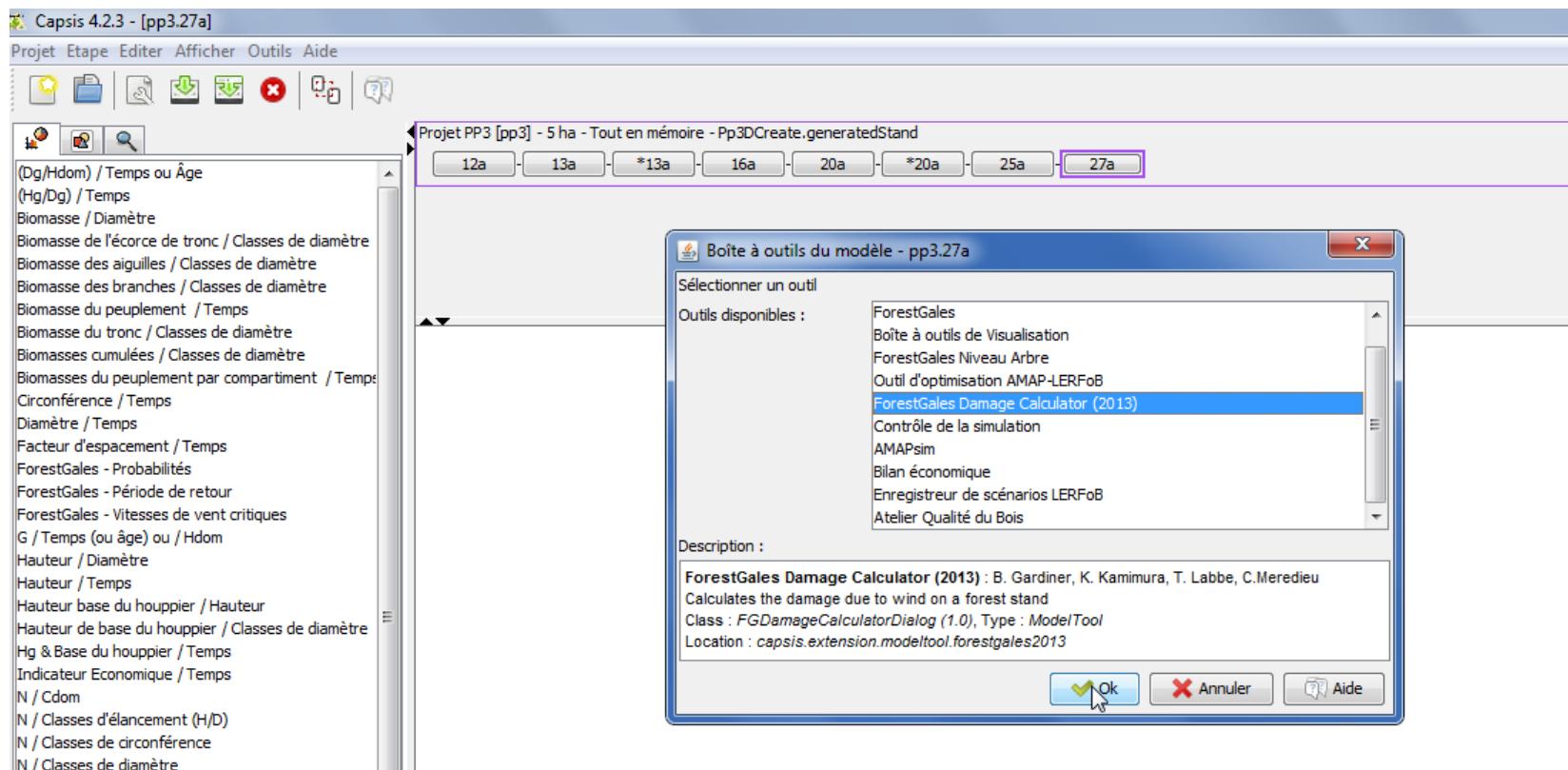
Barry's answer:....

- Need standard version that can be accessed from multiple software languages and packages (e.g. ARCGIS, CAPSIS, Web-based applications, etc.).
- Need to make model structure flexible enough to allow different types of application (research, operational, planning, etc.)
- Allows control of changes and upgrades so that we don't end up with multiple versions all round the world

# A new Library Forest Gales in Capsis in 2014

- Forest Gales, a new library Capsis
  - In order to improve the connection with growth models
  - JAVA and LPGL licence
  - One tool which can be shared by modelers and users easily: only one repository in the world
  - With or without Capsis
- First uses during a project: [ANR Forwind \(M. Fournier, UMR Lerfob\)](#)
  - [For what? connection with different growth models and operational uses](#)
  - [with PP3](#), maritime pine growth model for Landes de Gascogne
  - [With Fagacees \(oak and beech growth models\)](#)

# Capsis and ForestGales library in 2014 : connection with PP3



# Capsis and ForestGales library in 2014

**ForestGales Damage Calculator (2013)**

**Configuration**

Snow density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> ) :	150.0
Von Karman constant :	0.4
Air density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> ) :	1.2226
Gravity acceleration (m/s <sup>2</sup> ) :	9.81
Resolution of calculation (m/s) :	0.01
Element drag coefficient (CR) :	0.3
Surface drag coefficient (CS) :	0.0030
Roughness constant (CW) :	2.0
Height of calculation (m) :	10.0
Surrounding land roughness (m) :	0.06
Ua :	5.0
U_C1 :	-0.5903
U_C2 :	4.4345
U_C3 :	-11.8633
U_C4 :	13.569
DAMS to Weibull A1 :	-0.9626
DAMS to Weibull A2 :	0.4279
<input type="checkbox"/> Intervention occurred in the 5 past years (for TMC)	
How many years in the past :	0
Mean dbh before intervention (cm) :	0.0
Mean height before intervention (m) :	0.0
N/ha before intervention :	0.0

**Placette**

Type de sol :	A - Free-draining mineral soils
Profondeur d'enracinement :	Shallow < 40cm
Largeur de la trouée (m) :	0.0
Hauteur de la trouée (m) :	0.0
Nombre de hauteurs d'arbre depuis la bordure (nombre) :	9.0
Taille de la trouée au vent (nombre de hauteurs d'arbre) :	10.0

**Repo**

**Wind climate available**

Weibull A (m/s) :	6.0
Weibull K :	1.9

**Species**

Switch Maritime pine to Maritime pine

**Paramètres de l'espèce choisie**

Nom de l'espèce :	Maritime pine		
topHeightMultiplier :	1.0		
topHeightIntercept :	0.0		
Equation de la largeur du houppier :	linear2p(0.15674;0.0)		
Equation de la hauteur du houppier :	linear2p(0.3156;1.3424)		
Densité de bois vert :	903.4		
Densité du houppier :	2.73		
Module de rupture (10 <sup>7</sup> ) :	3.6		
Facteur de nodosité :	0.85		
Facteur de houppier :	1.0		
Module d'élasticité (10 <sup>9</sup> ) :	6.6		
canopyStreamliningC :	3.07		
canopyStreamliningN :	0.75		
rootBendingK :	0.0		
Facteur multiplicatif (Creg)			
Soil Type A :	Shallow < 40cm	Medium 40-80cm	Deep > 80cm
Soil Type B :	125.8	144.5	168.8
Soil Type C :	123.8	126.7	144.4
Soil Type D :	135.1	138.3	157.7
Soil Type A :	153.7	157.3	179.4
Poids de tige maximum			
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Soil Type B :	294.0	469.0	576.0
Soil Type C :	0.0	0.0	0.0
Soil Type D :	0.0	0.0	0.0

**Simple Stand level Roughness Method**

**Stand level Roughness**

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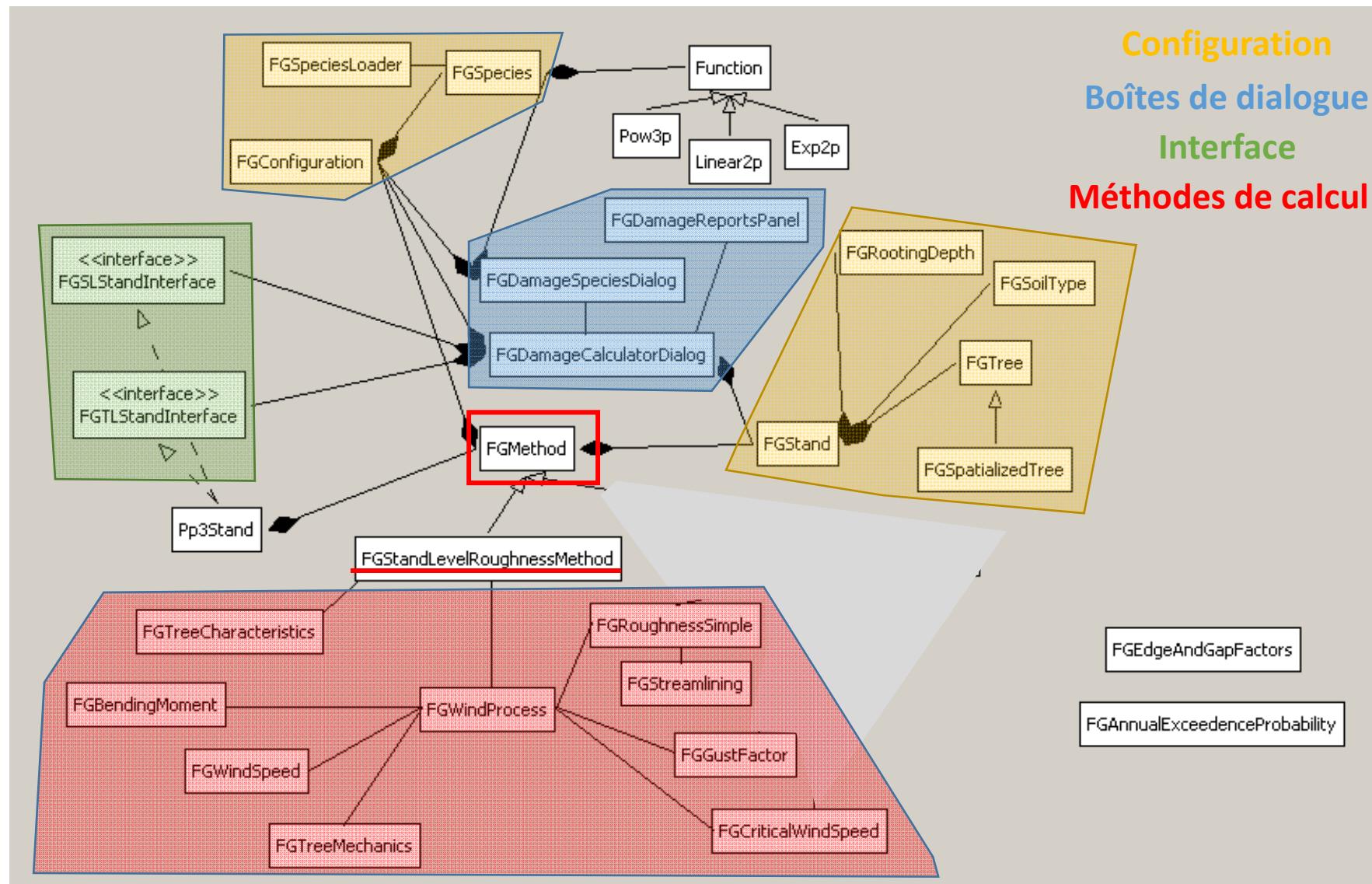
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**Ok** **Annuler** **Aide**

# Capsis and ForestGales library in 2014

- Two scales to compute wind vulnerability :
  - Stand level: with only one species, with regular spacing
  - Tree level: each tree could be from different species
    - With spatialisation
    - Without spatialisation
- The level of connection with Forest Gales depends on the growth model capabilities to provide more or less complete information on the stand and the trees
  - For example if the growth model is able to provide the weight of the bole sections, FG will then integrate these input data.
  - Otherwise, FG can compute the missing data with ou without species dependant relationships.
- For one step of a silvicultural scenario or a complete project

# Organisation of Forest Gales Library



# What are the inputs from a growth models in order to use Forest Gales library

- Must give a **species name**: for example « Maritime Pine », in order to use **the preferred parameters**
- Must compute tree or stand **diameter**: Di or Dg
- Must compute tree or stand **height**: Hi, Hg or Hdom
- Must give the tree density or **tree spacing**: number of trees per ha
- Optional variables:
  - Length or diameter of the crown
  - Stem volume or stem weight
  - Crown volume or crown weight
  - Stem profile

# Non interactive use of Forest Gales Library

```
Commande prompt
Microsoft Windows [version 6.1.7601]
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c:\capsis4>java -cp class;ext\* capsis.lib.forestgales.FGStandLevelRoughnessMethod Inputdata_IFN_v3.txt
```

# ligne de commentaire si besoin  
# ligne vide  
# Identifiant du point IFN Sol Type Profondeur de sol nha hdom species dbh\_m height crownWidth crownDepth StemVolume StemWeight CrownVolume CrownWeight

```
--- Results ---
nha : 258.5776558
spacing : 6.218770117712635
FGTree
    dbh_m: 0.259710505
    diam[0]: [D@3f1a6bc7
    height: 15.24528494
    crownWidth: 2.209928629
    crownDepth: 6.153811927064
    stemVolume: 0.324647775
    stemWeight: 270.431596575
    crownVolume: 0.127126513
    crownWeight: 0.34705538049
    speciesName: OAK
    cwsForBreakage: 77.63496458100354
    cwsForOverturning: 51.534755152574434
    probabilityOfBreakage: -1.0
    probabilityOfOverturning: -1.0
ForestGales Stand Level Roughness Method ended successfully
```

# The work already done ...

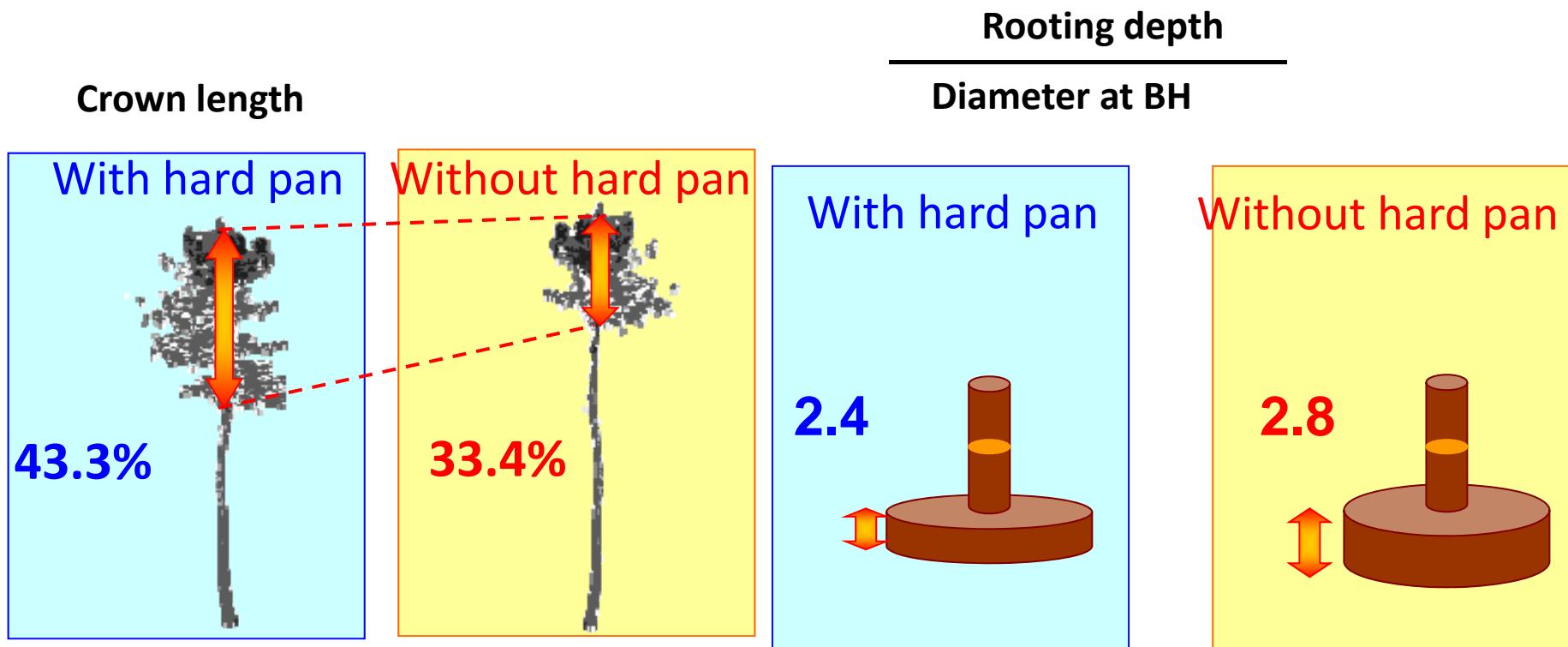
- Implement of two methods
  - A simplified case of critical wind speed calculation (useful for large simulation data: for example landscape scale)
  - The classic method used in 2004: FG Stand level Roughness Method
- We checked the two methods
- Simple connection with PP3: tree density, Dg, Hg for one step or several. *A large majority of models under Capsis could connect the library (but needs species parameters).*
- Computations and display the results in a panel of the dialog box
- Display in a graph of critical speeds versus time.

## Work in progress...

1. Additionnal input data for a mean tree : crown dimensions, stem weight, stem profile – **Analysis of impacts, comparison with Scot pine for example**
2. Activation of the "Tree" interface: sending data of all trees in a stand
3. Choice between (stem weight) and ( $Ht \times Dbh^2$ ) for anchorage computation
4. How to use stem profile and wood quality ?

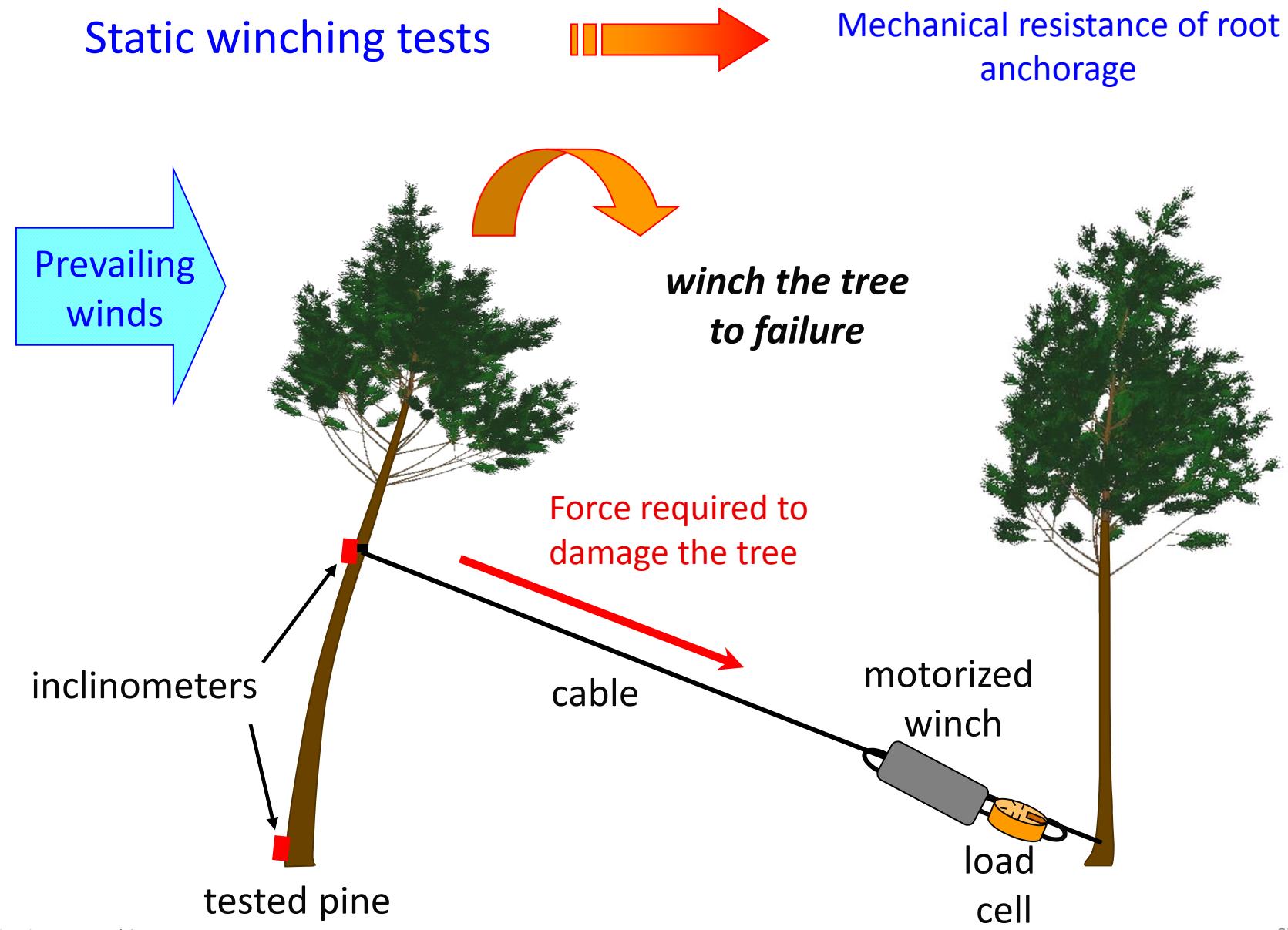
# In addition the current discussions on anchoring trees ... and their use in Gales

- Impact of soil type: only sand in SW France... but what is the role of hydromorphy?
- Impact of rooting depth : is it relevant for Maritime pine in SW France?





# Method : static winching tests in the field



# Sampling of stands

Selection of stands according to **2 podzolic soil conditions:**

## with hard pan

Shallow groundwater table  
+ presence of an unbroken hard pan horizon  
= rooting depth is **very limited**



## without hard pan

Groundwater table deeper  
+ hard pan horizon broken or absent  
= rooting depth is **less limited**



Hypothesis: soil conditions influence tree resistance to uprooting

# Sampling of trees

Selection of trees according to **2 positions** in the stand:

## inner trees

Growing inside the stand  
⇒ no repetitive wind loading  
= anchorage **not adapted to wind?**

## edge trees

Exposed to prevailing winds  
⇒ frequent wind loading  
= anchorage **better adapted to wind?\***

\* Stokes et al. 1995, Stokes 1999

*Tree root system seen from above*

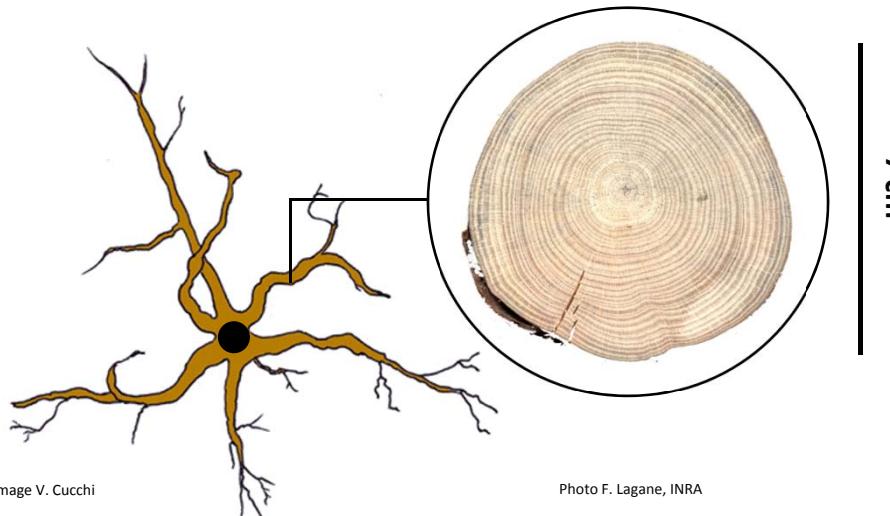


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*Adapted tree root system seen from above*

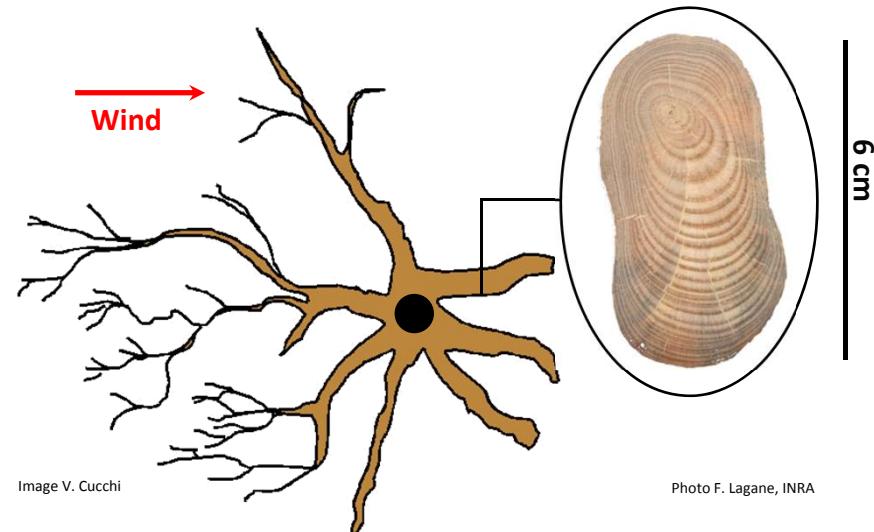


Image V. Cucchi

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**Hypothesis: exposure to wind loading influences tree resistance to uprooting**

# Measurements before and after winching

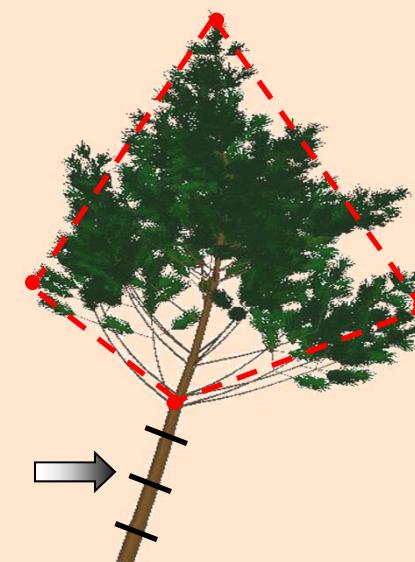
## Aerial part

- Total height and crown height
- Cable attachment height

- Crown area
- Total mass of all living branches

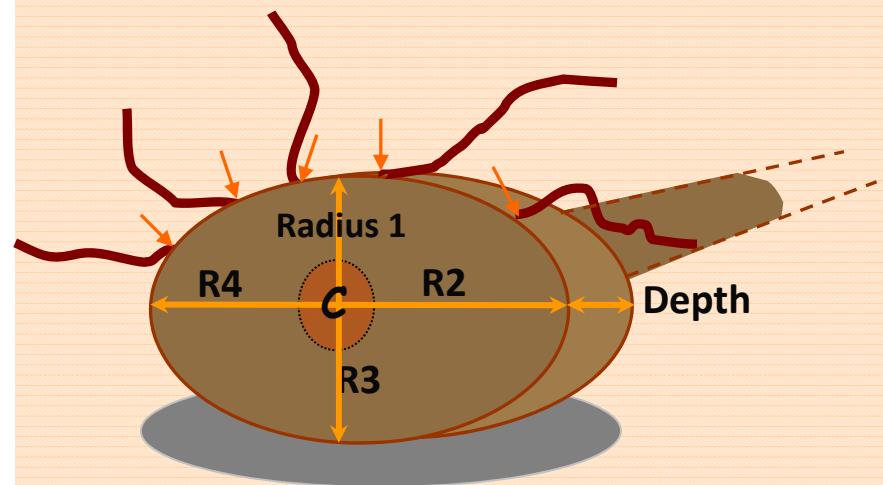
- Stem circumference over bark every 1m

- Dimensions and mass of a 1m long section of trunk



## Root system

- Soil-root plate dimensions
- Diameter of all the horizontal roots at the edge of the soil-root plate



## Assessment on the tested trees

**100 tested pines:** 12 - 56 cm DBH, 15 - 56 year-old

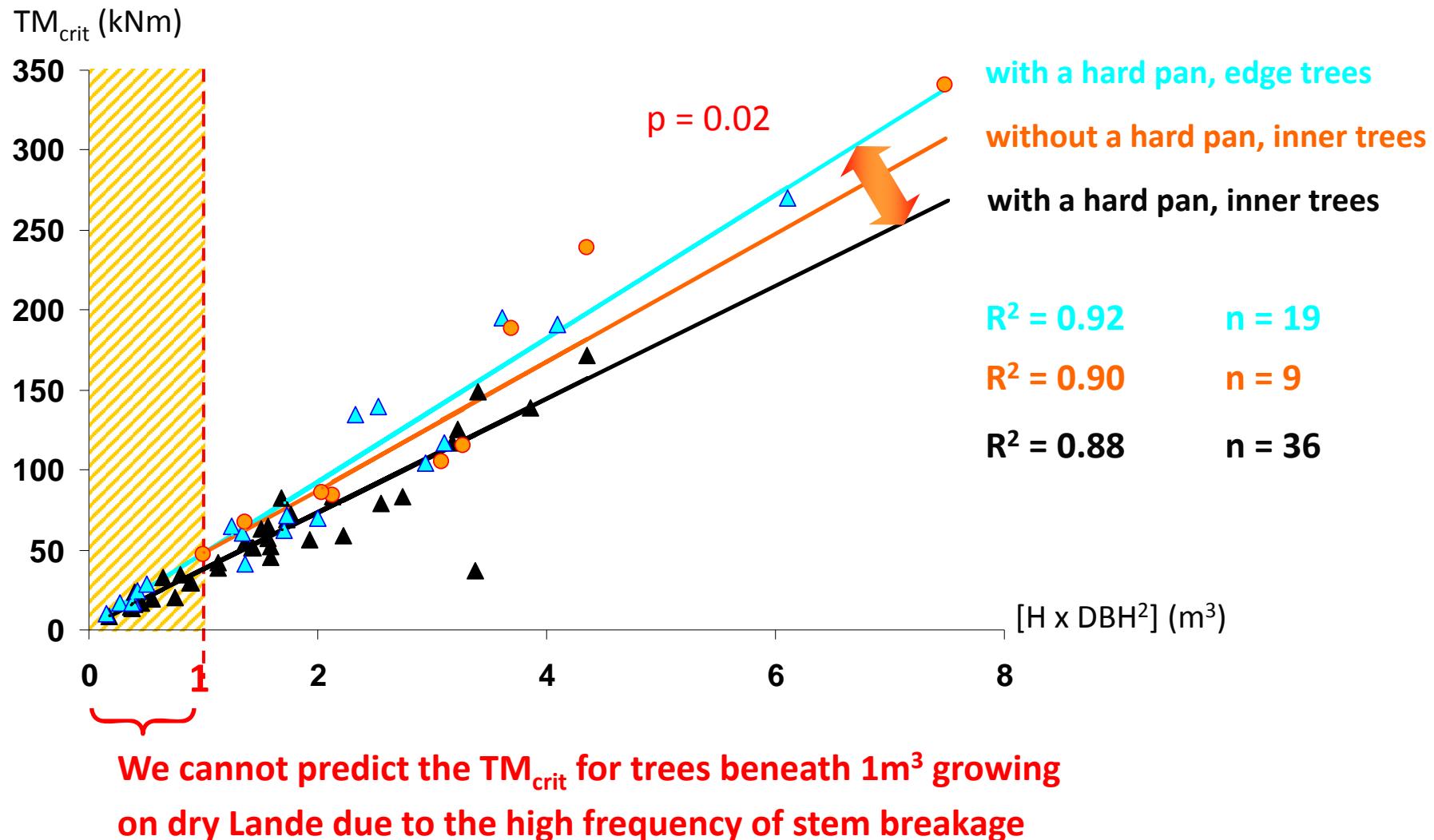
- **71** pines were **uprooted**
- **27** pines **failed in the stem**, with different types of breakage

21 of the 27 stem failures occurred on dry Lande



# Anchorage strength

Best predictive variable of the  $TM_{crit}$  is  $[H \times DBH^2]$  with  $R^2 = 0.94$



# Differences according to soil conditions

Relative crown length

$p = 0.003$

Rooting depth

DBH

$p = 0.05$



=> Effect of soil conditions on aerial and underground parts

# Differences according to tree position

Vertical asymmetry  
of soil-root plate:  
stem shifted sideways

$p = 0.001$

$\frac{\text{Soil-root plate volume}}{\text{Stem volume}}$

$p = 0.044$

