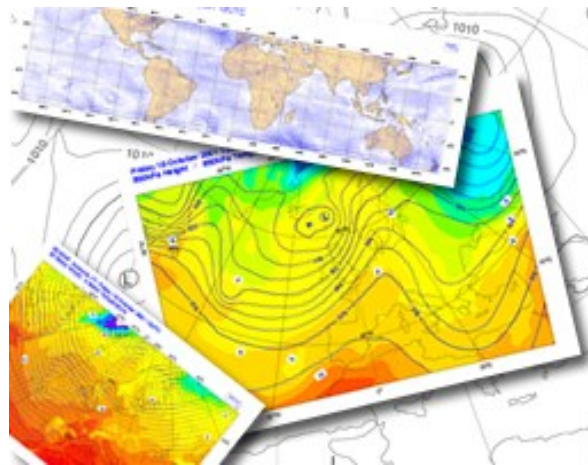


Magics Training course

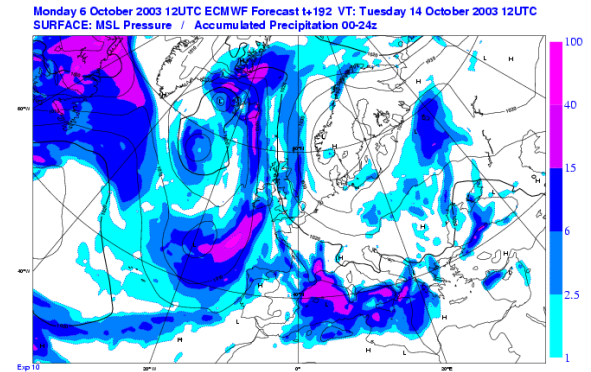


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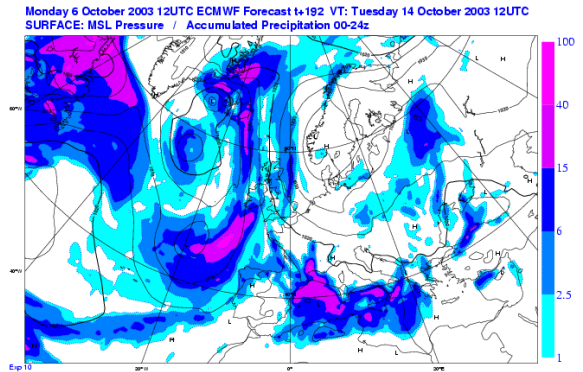
Objectives of this course



- Giving you an overview of possibilities of the Magics graphics library
- Show you ways of using the documentation and find help
- Giving you good templates for your work
- Introduce the Magics team ... [us](#) 😊

Magics

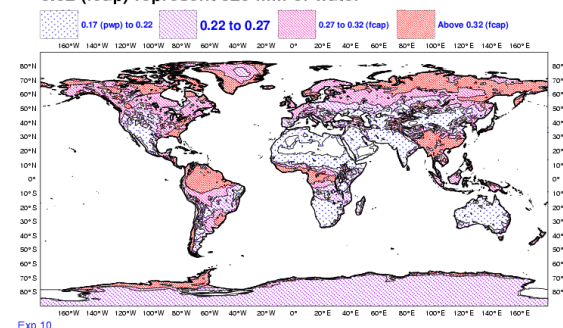
- Overview : What can it do?
- What is Magics++?
 - ◆ How to use it?
 - ◆ How the different APIs work?
 - ➔ Scripting language: Python
 - ◆ How to use Magics outputs?



Magics overview

- **Magics is meteorologically-oriented**
 - GRIB
 - BUFR
 - Specific Visualisation
- **Magics provides 3 simple APIs**
 - Fortran / C
 - Python
 - MagML / MagJSon
- **Magics provides a small set of actions**
 - Contouring, Symbol
- **And a large set of parameters for each action**
 - Large set of parameters
 - Small number of Fortran callable subroutines

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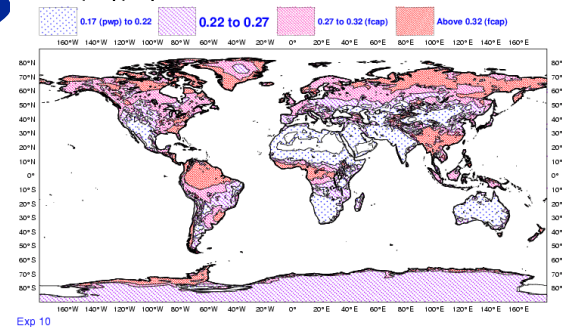
Visit to MetOps room

- We will now have a tour of the MetOps room
- The room contains a small sample of plots generated every day at ECMWF with Magics/Metview
- If you find types of maps interesting for your work, please free to ask us how you can try to generate the map(s) yourself



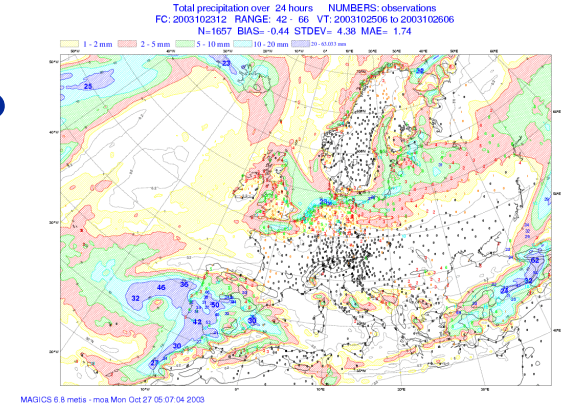
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- Define your Geographical Area and Projection.
 - ◆ e.g. Stereographic Polar, Cylindrical
- Import data
 - ◆ GRIB, matrix (z, but also u/v)
 - ◆ NetCDF Data.
 - ◆ BUFR for Observations
- Plot some contours
 - ◆ High quality contouring

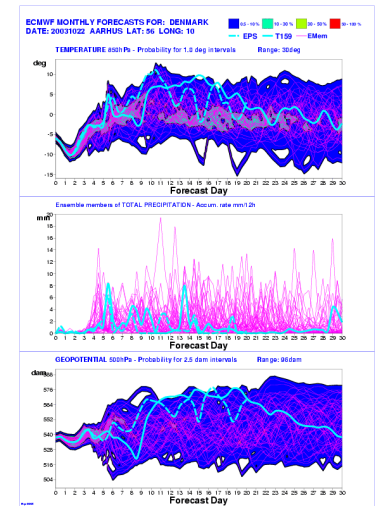
What can you do with Magics?



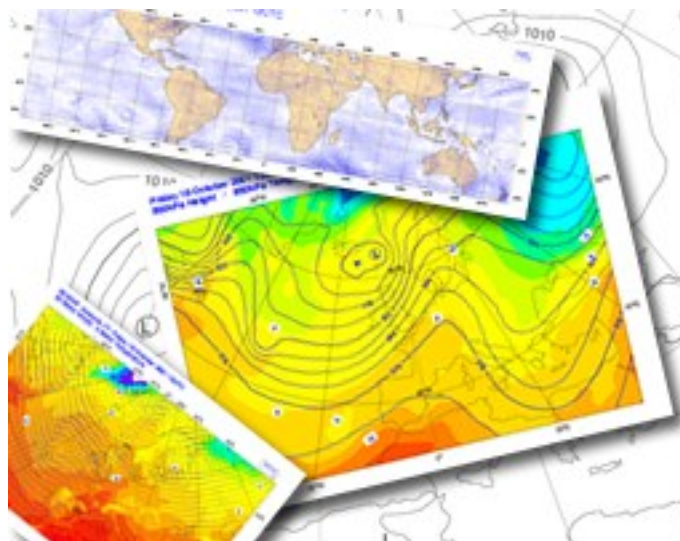
- Display wind fields
 - ◆ Arrows or flags
- Display Observations
 - ◆ Follow WMO representation
- Plot Symbols

What can you do with Magics?

- Add Text and/or automatic title
 - From the GRIB or BUFR Header
- Create a nice legend
- Display Axes and Graphs
- Display some satellite images
- Organise your plots with a nice layout



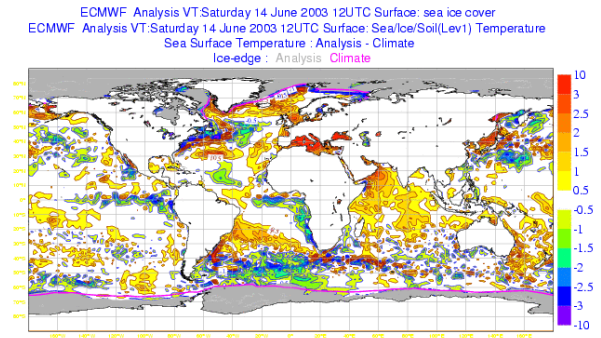
Introduction to Magics



Introduction to Magics

- This training course will give you the basis for your own future Magics programs.
- We mainly use the Python interface
- The Magics API contains too many parameters to be handled in detail within 2 days. That is why we concentrate on giving you templates for basic Magics programs. From them, you can build complex plots.
- The course will mostly be exercises in which you can learn how to write programs on your own with the help of the online documentation.
- Please do not hesitate to ask any questions!!!

MAGICS - History

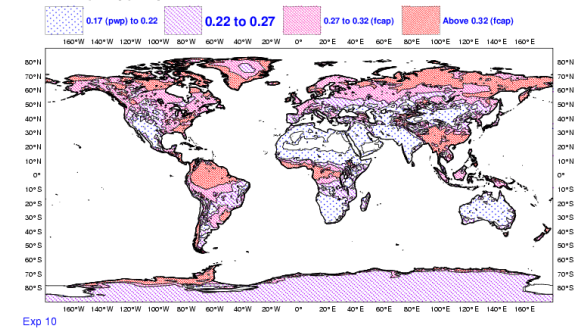


- 1983 - Development started
- Meteorological Applications Graphics Integrated Colour System
- MAGICS is a Fortran library
- MAGICS is installed in more than 30 member states and countries
- MAGICS is used by *Synergie* (Météo-France)
- MAGICS is the graphical kernel of Metview
- 2004 – (Re-)Development of Magics++ started
 - ◆ Graphical kernel of Metview 4 & ECMWF web products

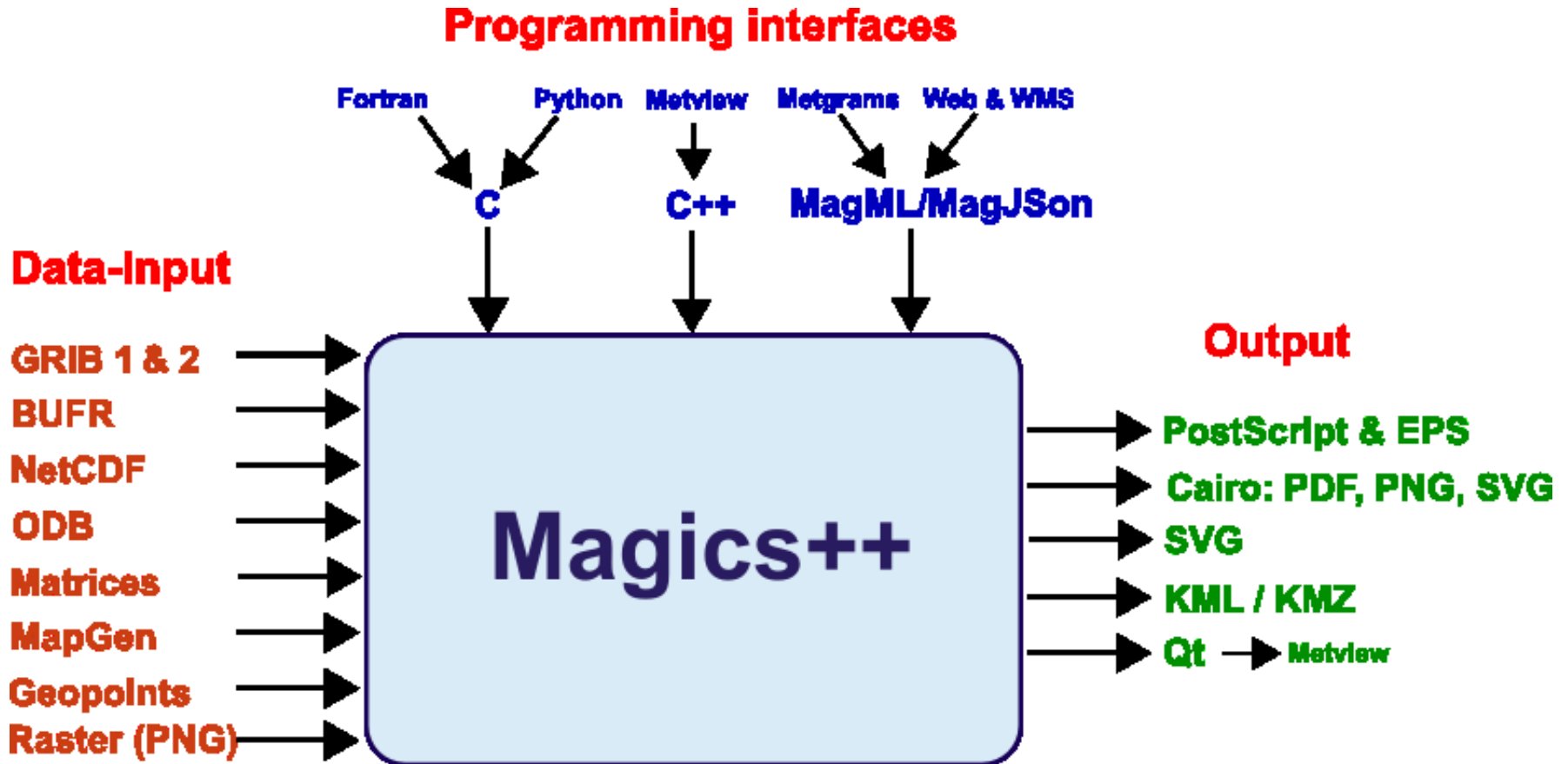
Magics++ - Overview

- **Magics++ is a rewrite of MAGICS using C++ instead of Fortran**
- **Magics++ is (mostly) backwards compatible to MAGICS**
- **Magics++ makes it easier to add new features**
- **New APIs: C, Python, and MagML**
- **New output formats: PDF, EPS, PNG, SVG, KML**
- **New data input: GRIB 2, NetCDF, CSV/MapGen, ODB access**
- **New contouring**

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Magics++ architecture

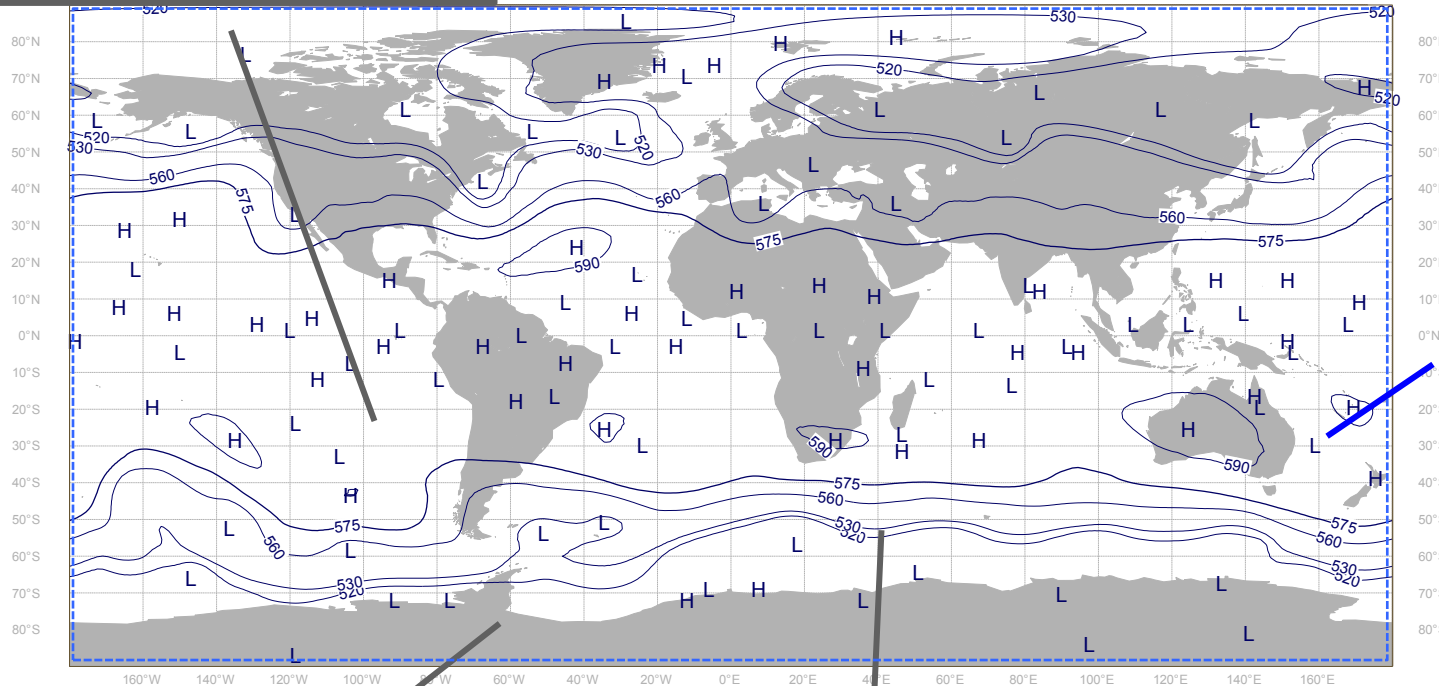


What does a Magics plot consist of?

Geopotential on a global map

A Geographical Projection
MAP

Some Text
PTEXT



Drawing Area
SUBPAGE LAYOUT

PAGE LAYOUT

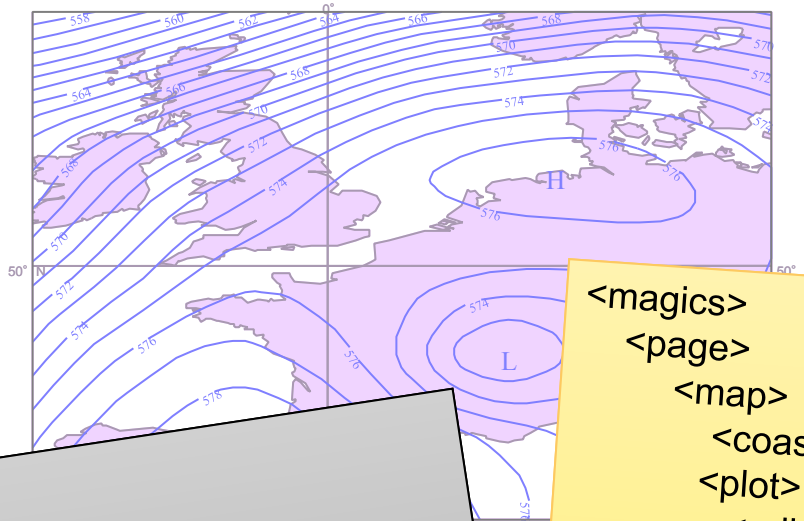
Some coastlines
PCOAST

Some visualisation
PGRIB + PCONT

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The 3 simple APIs



```
call popen
call pcoast
call psetc('grib_input_file_name', 'grib.grb')
call pgrib
call psetc('contour_line_colour', 'blue')
call pcont
call pclose
```

```
<magics>
  <page>
    <map>
      <coastlines/>
      <plot>
        <grib grib_input_file_name = 'grib.grb/>
        <contour contour_line_colour = 'blue/>
      </plot>
    </map>
  </page>
</magics>
```

```
grib = mgrib({'grib_input_file_name': 'grib.grb'})
contour = mcont({'contour_line_colour': 'blue'})
coast = coast({})
plot(coast, grib, contour)
```

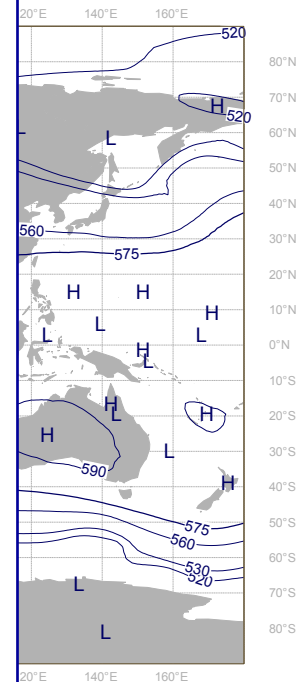
What is MagML/MagJSON?

- **MagML/MagJSON is a description language based on XML/JSON**
 - ◆ **Tags, as in HTML <magics>, <page>, ...**
 - ◆ **Hierarchical structure**
 - ◆ **Can be handled/processed by any XML tools/packages**
 - ➔ JavaScript/AJAX, XSLT
- **It is descriptive - only simple data processing possible**
 - ◆ **No 'if-else', loops or bindings to programming languages**
 - ◆ **It allows variables!**

Main concepts of Magics

Fortran Interface

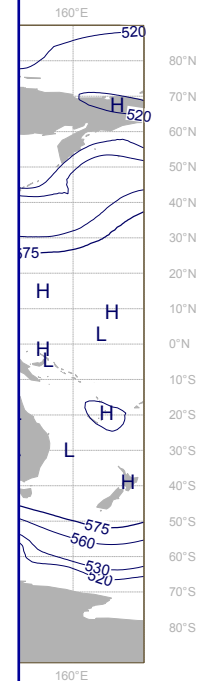
```
call popen
call psetc('map_coastline_land_shade', 'on')
call pcoast
call psetc('grib_input_file_name', 'z500.grb')
call pgrib
call psetc('contour_line_colour', 'navy')
call pcont
call pclose
```



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Main concepts of Magics

```
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  <page>
    <map>
      <coastlines map_coastline_land_shade='on'/>
      <plot>
        <grib grib_input_file_name='z500.grb'/>
        <contour contour_line_colour='navy'/>
      </plot>
    </map>
  </page>
</magics>
```

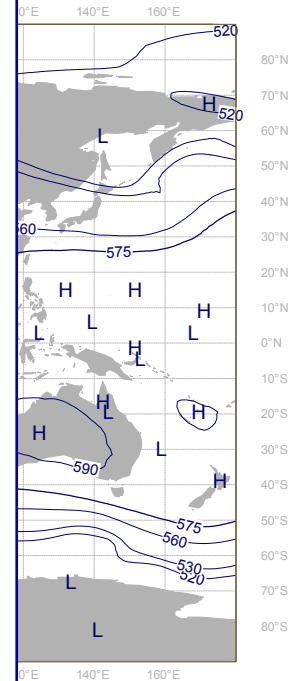


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Main concepts of Magics

PYTHON Interface

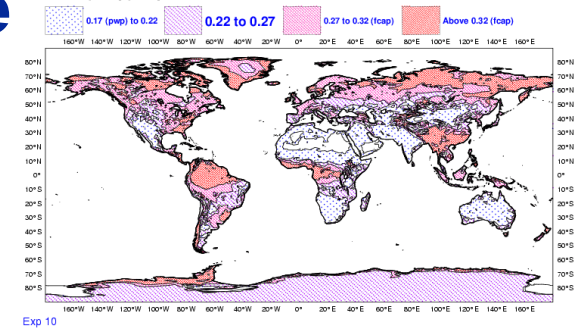
```
coast = mcoast(  
    map_coastlines_shade_on='on' )  
grib = mgrib(  
    grib_input_file_name='z500.grb')  
contour = mcont(  
    contour_line_colour='navy')  
plot(coast, grib, contour)
```



Metview-like python interface

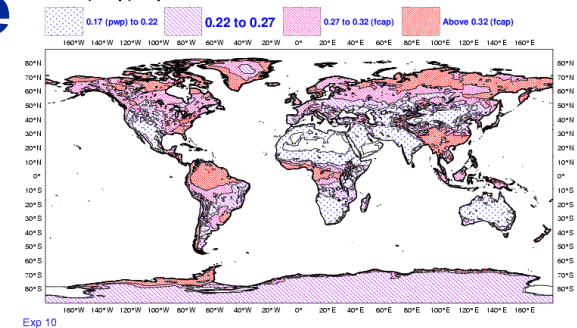
- **New higher level python module**
 - ➔ Very similar to the Metview Macro
 - ➔ Can be easily embedded in a more complex python script
- **Comes with a basic set of Objects...**
 - ➔ To setup the projection
 - ◆ mmap
 - ➔ To load data
 - ◆ mgrib, mnetcdf ...
 - ➔ To perform visual actions
 - ◆ mcoast, mcont, mwind, ...
 - ➔ To create a new page
 - ◆ page

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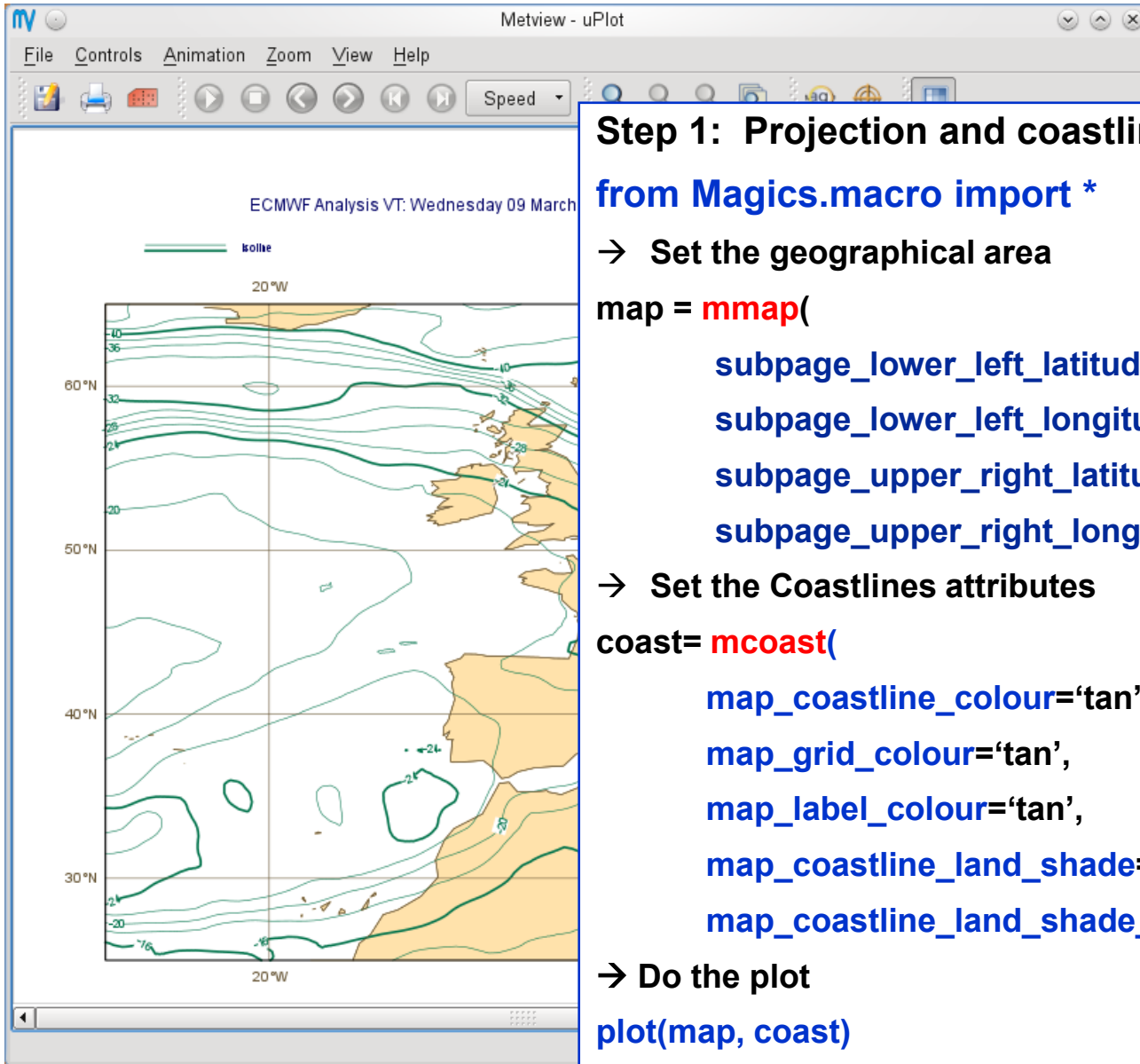


Metview-like python interface

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- Each object has a large set of parameters ...
- An Python object has the same parameters as its equivalent C/Fortran action routine (same name, same default)
 - ◆ `mcoast`→`pcoast` , `mgrib`→`pgrib`, `mcont`→`pcont`
 - ◆ The 'm' prefix is for the compatibility with Metview Macro.
- The parameters are only set for the relevant object.
- The method *plot* will perform the plot, and call the action routines sequentially.



Step 1: Projection and coastlines

from `Magics.macro import *`

→ Set the geographical area

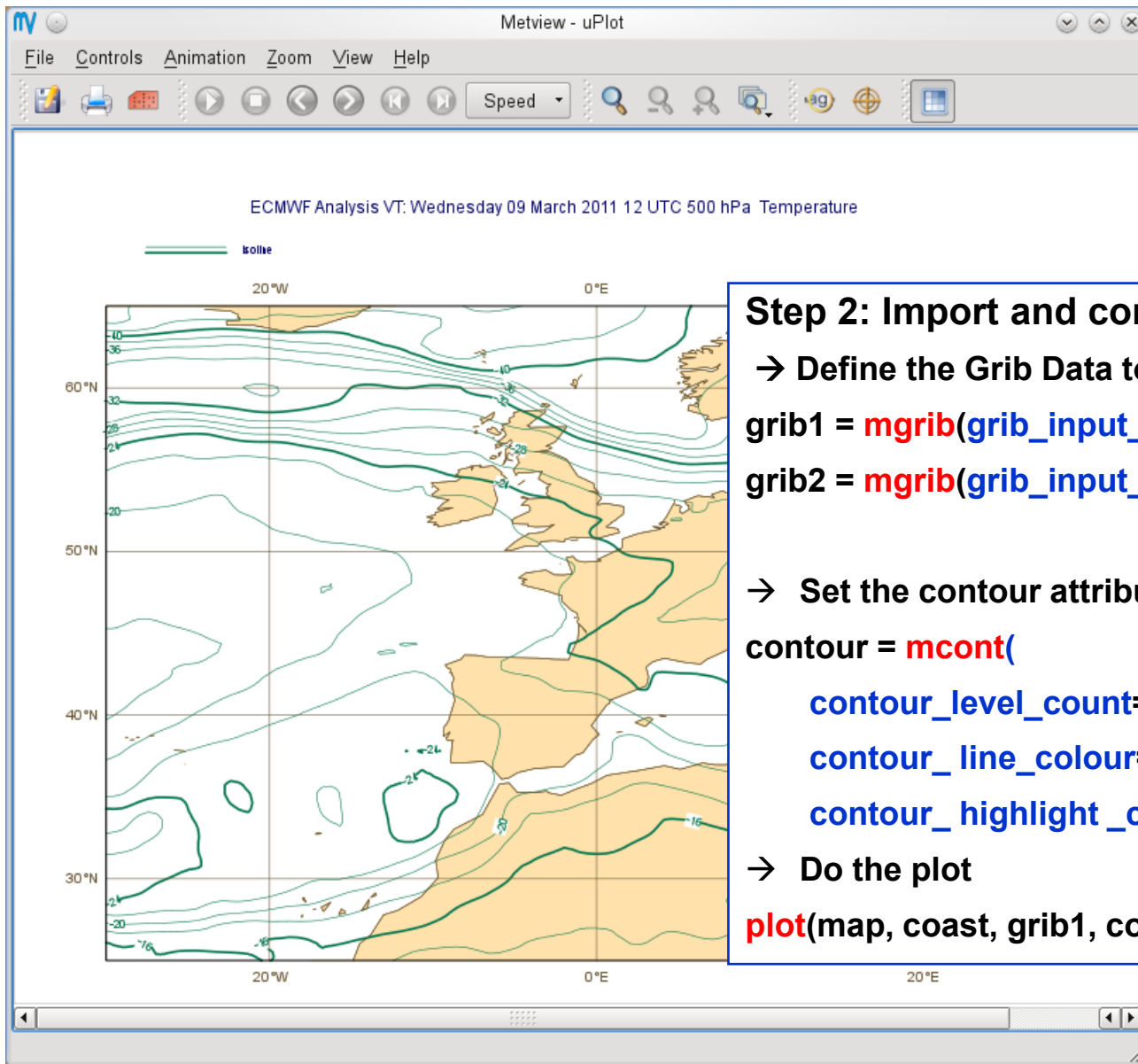
```
map = mmap(
    subpage_lower_left_latitude=25.,
    subpage_lower_left_longitude=-30.,
    subpage_upper_right_latitude=65.,
    subpage_upper_right_longitude=25.)
```

→ Set the Coastlines attributes

```
coast= mcoast(
    map_coastline_colour='tan',
    map_grid_colour='tan',
    map_label_colour='tan',
    map_coastline_land_shade='on',
    map_coastline_land_shade_colour='cream')
```

→ Do the plot

```
plot(map, coast)
```



Step 2: Import and contour the GRIB

→ Define the Grib Data to plot

```
grib1 = mgrib(grib_input_file_name='t500.grb')
```

```
grib2 = mgrib(grib_input_file_name='z500.grb')
```

→ Set the contour attributes

```
contour = mcont(
```

```
  contour_level_count= '20',
```

```
  contour_line_colour='evergreen',
```

```
  contour_highlight_colour='evergreen')
```

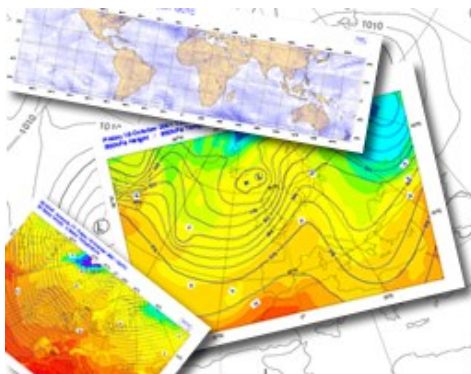
→ Do the plot

```
plot(map, coast, grib1, contour, grib2, contour)
```

How to interpret your Magics++ Python script?

- Setup Magics once per shell: **use magics++**
- Create your Python script
 - ◆ Use an editor (*vi*, *xemacs*, *nedit*, *kwrite*) to write your Magics object
- Interpret your script
 - ◆ `python mymagics.py`
- View your result - Use a postscript viewer : *gv*, *display*
- Modify your script if necessary ...

How to use the tutorial?



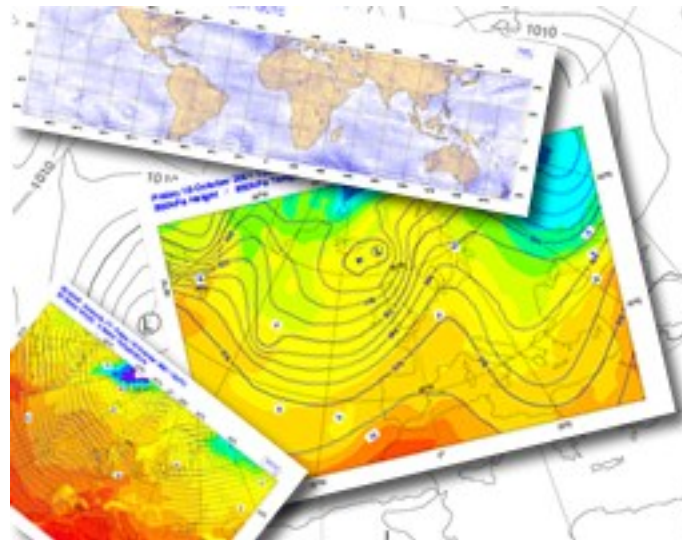
How to use the tutorial?

- **The tutorial contains exercises, clues and solutions.**
- **For each new concept, you will find a link to the complete Magics documentation.**

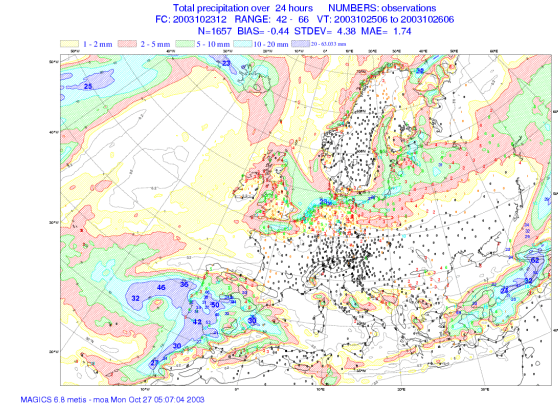
Python

- Interpreter
- We use 2.x versions with NumPy
- Be careful:
 - ◆ Indent sensitive (avoid tabs)
 - ◆ $1 / 2 = 0$!!! $\rightarrow 1.0 / 2.0 = 0.5$

More on Coastlines

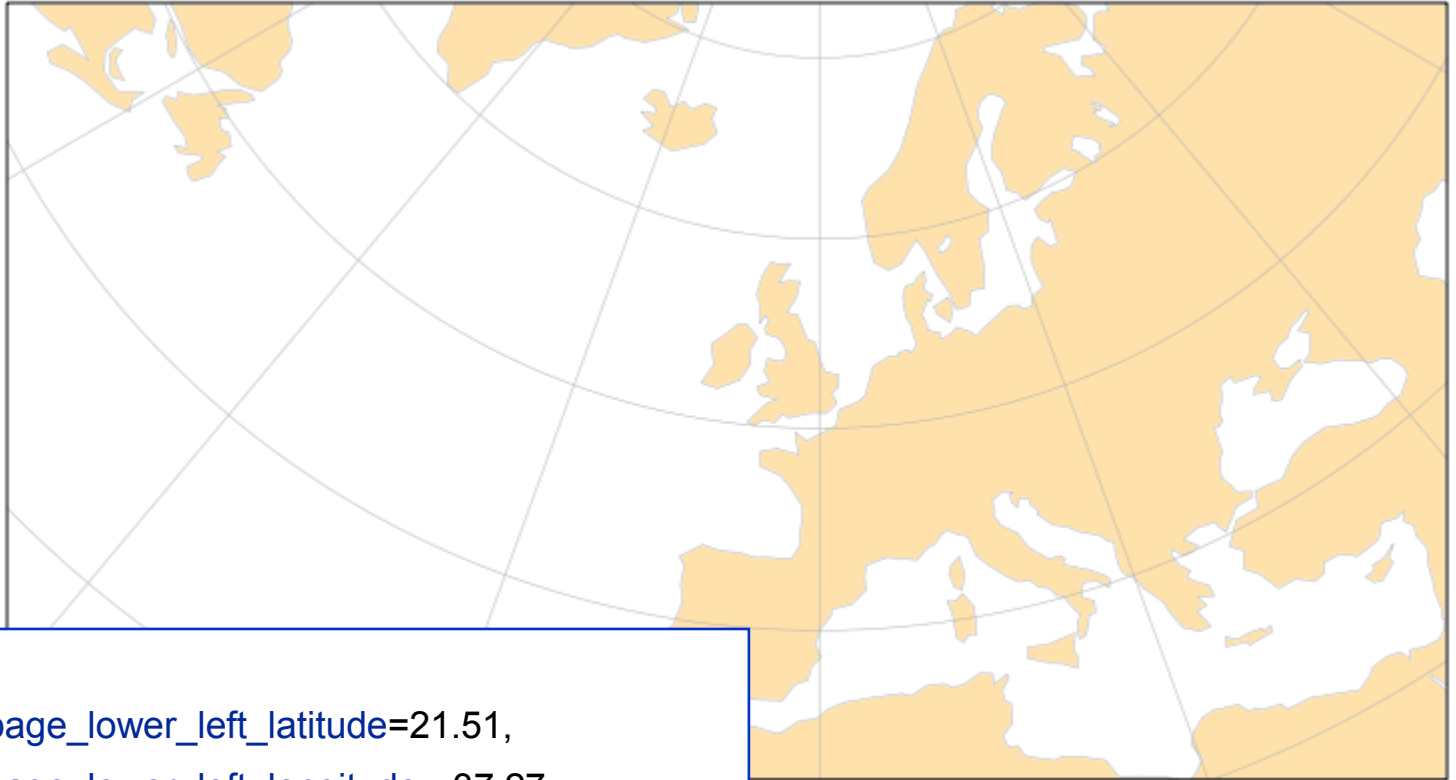


A Bit More on Coastlines



- Selection of the projection
 - ◆ Polar stereographic, Mercator, cylindrical
- Selection of the Geographical Area
- Definition of the coastlines and grid attributes
- Land and/or Sea Shading

Setting projection and area



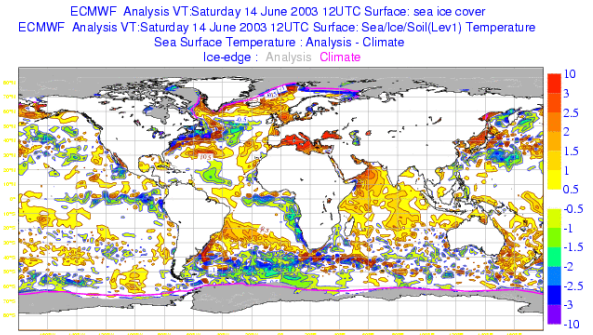
```
mmap(  
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    subpage_lower_left_longitude=-37.27,  
    subpage_upper_right_latitude=51.28,  
    subpage_upper_right_longitude=65.,  
    subpage_map_projection='polar_stereographic')
```

Setting land shading

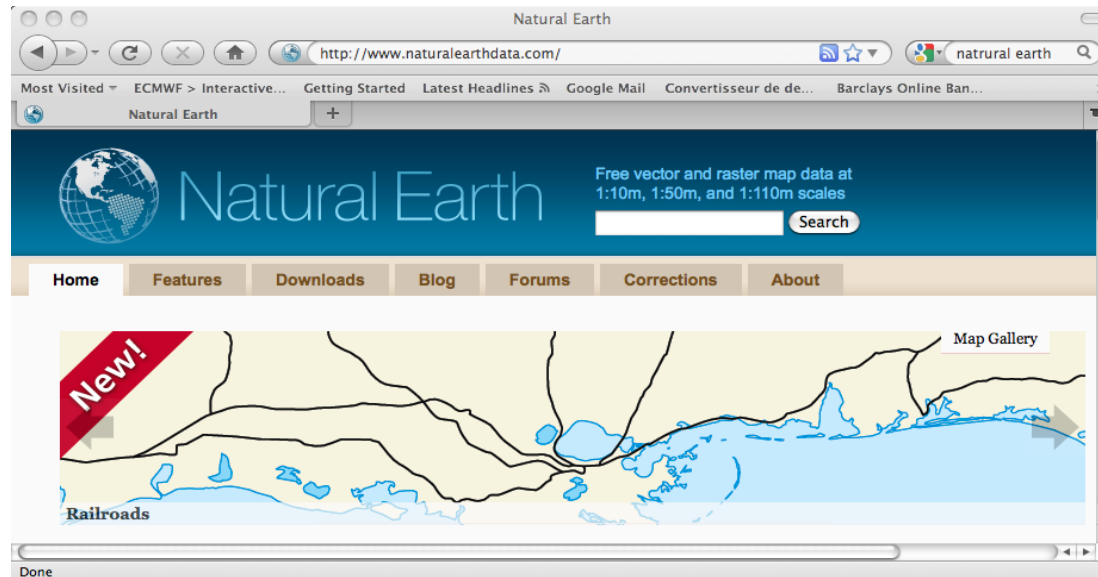


```
coast = mcoast(  
    map_coastline_colour='grey',  
    map_coastline_land_shade='on',  
    map_coastline_land_shade_colour='cream',  
    map_coastline_sea_shade='on',  
    map_coastline_sea_shade_colour='white')
```

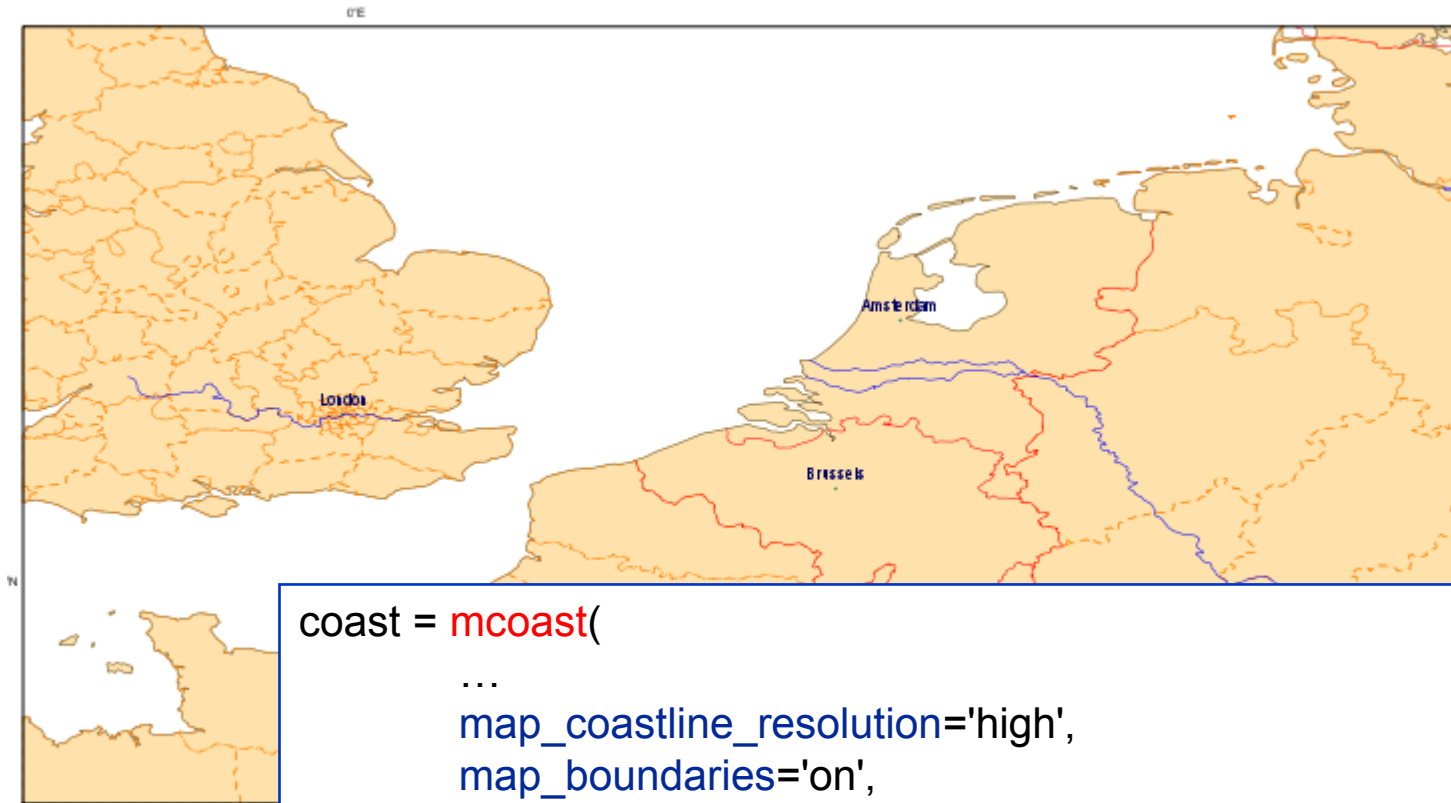
Coastlines and boundaries ...



- Boundaries can now be plotted with Magics
- Our dataset comes from Natural Earth (Washington Post)



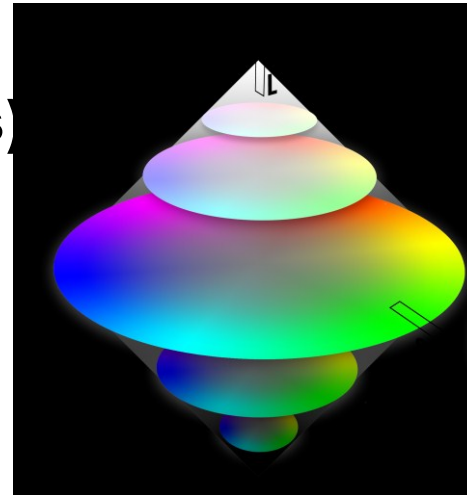
Coastlines and Boundaries



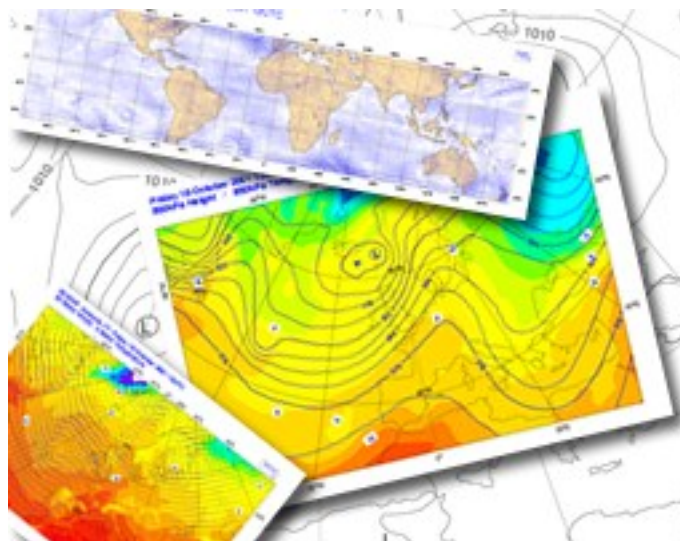
```
coast = mcoast(  
    ...  
    map_coastline_resolution='high',  
    map_boundaries='on',  
    map_boundaries_colour='red',  
    map_administrative_boundaries='on',  
    map_administrative_boundaries_countries_list=['FRA', 'DEU', 'GBR'],  
    map_administrative_boundaries_colour='orange',  
    map_cities='on',  
    map_rivers='on', )
```

How to set colours

- Three ways of setting colours
- By name: “black”, “green”, “tangerine”
- RGB: “RGB(0.2 , 0.6 , 0.1)” (Red, Green & Blue components)
 - ◆ Also in hex notation: “#ff0000” (red)
 - ◆ Transparency expressed as rgba: “RGB(0.2 ,0.6,0.1,0.5)”
- HSL: “HSL(270.0 , 0.6 , 0.1)”
(Hue, Saturation & Lightness)



Data Input



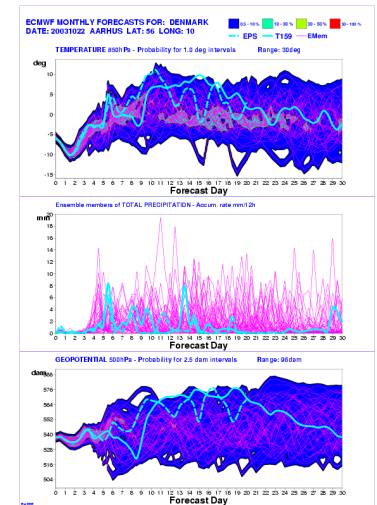
A bit more on data Input

- **Fields**

- ◆ GRIB 1 & 2, netCDF, arrays
- ◆ Regular grid, Gaussian grid
- ◆ Stretched and rotated grid (work in progress)

- **Observations**

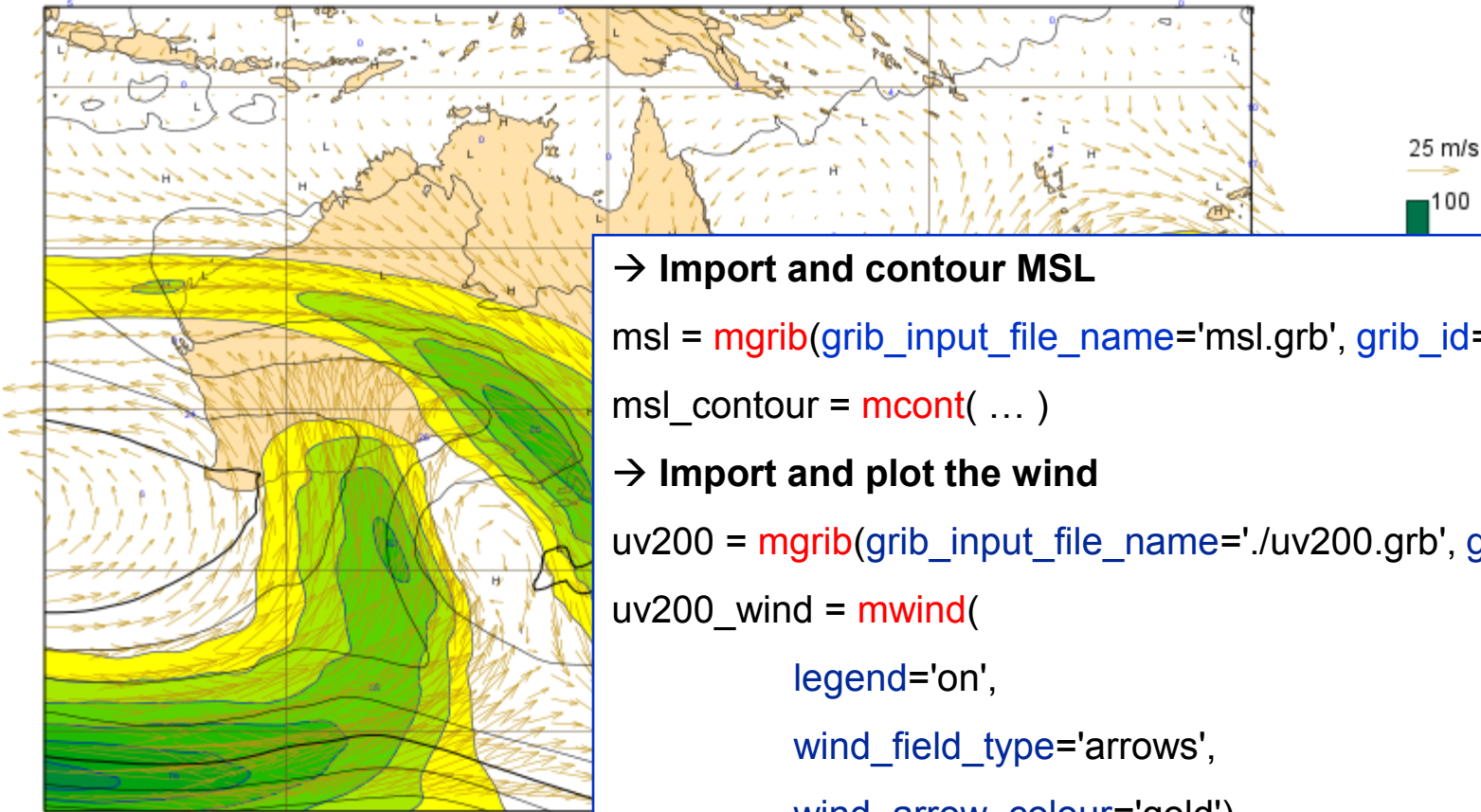
- ◆ BUFR
- ◆ Observational DataBase (ODB)



How to deal with GRIB data : PGRIB

- Decode GRIB code
- Scale meteorological fields
- Setup stretched / rotated grids
- Set Magics contouring / wind / image parameters

Importing data example



→ Import and contour MSL

```
msl = mgrib(grib_input_file_name='msl.grb', grib_id='z500')
```

```
msl_contour = mcont( ... )
```

→ Import and plot the wind

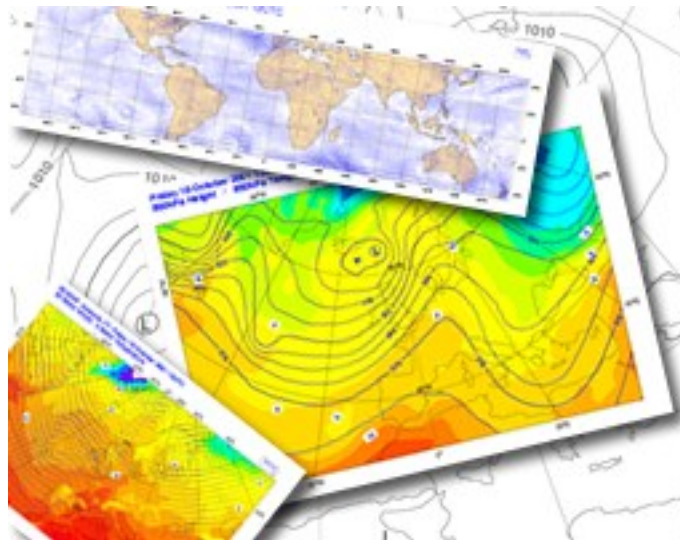
```
uv200 = mgrib(grib_input_file_name='./uv200.grb', grib_id='uv200')
```

```
uv200_wind = mwind(  
    legend='on',  
    wind_field_type='arrows',  
    wind_arrow_colour='gold')
```

→ Display these layers

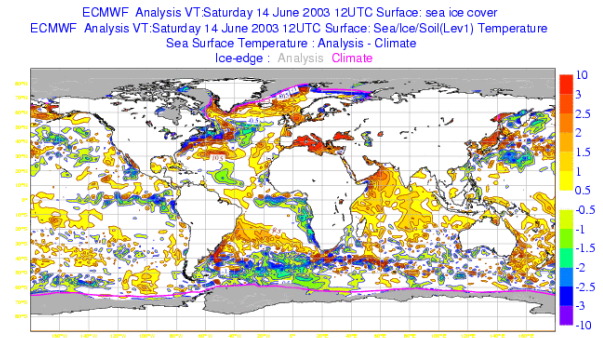
```
plot(..., uv200, uv200_wind, msl, msl_contour, ...)
```

Contouring and shading



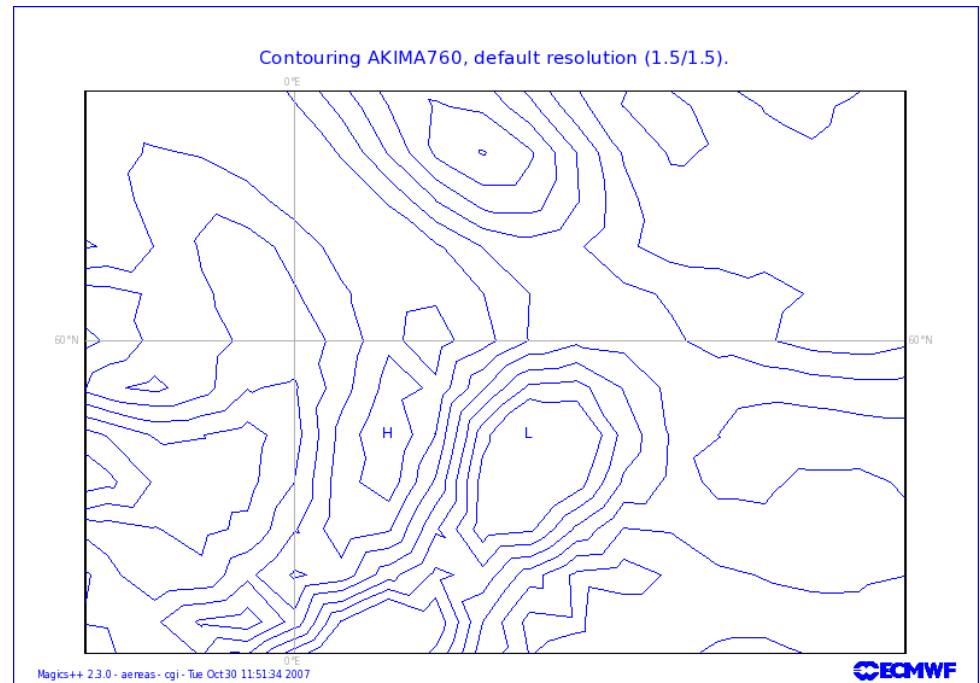
More on Contouring

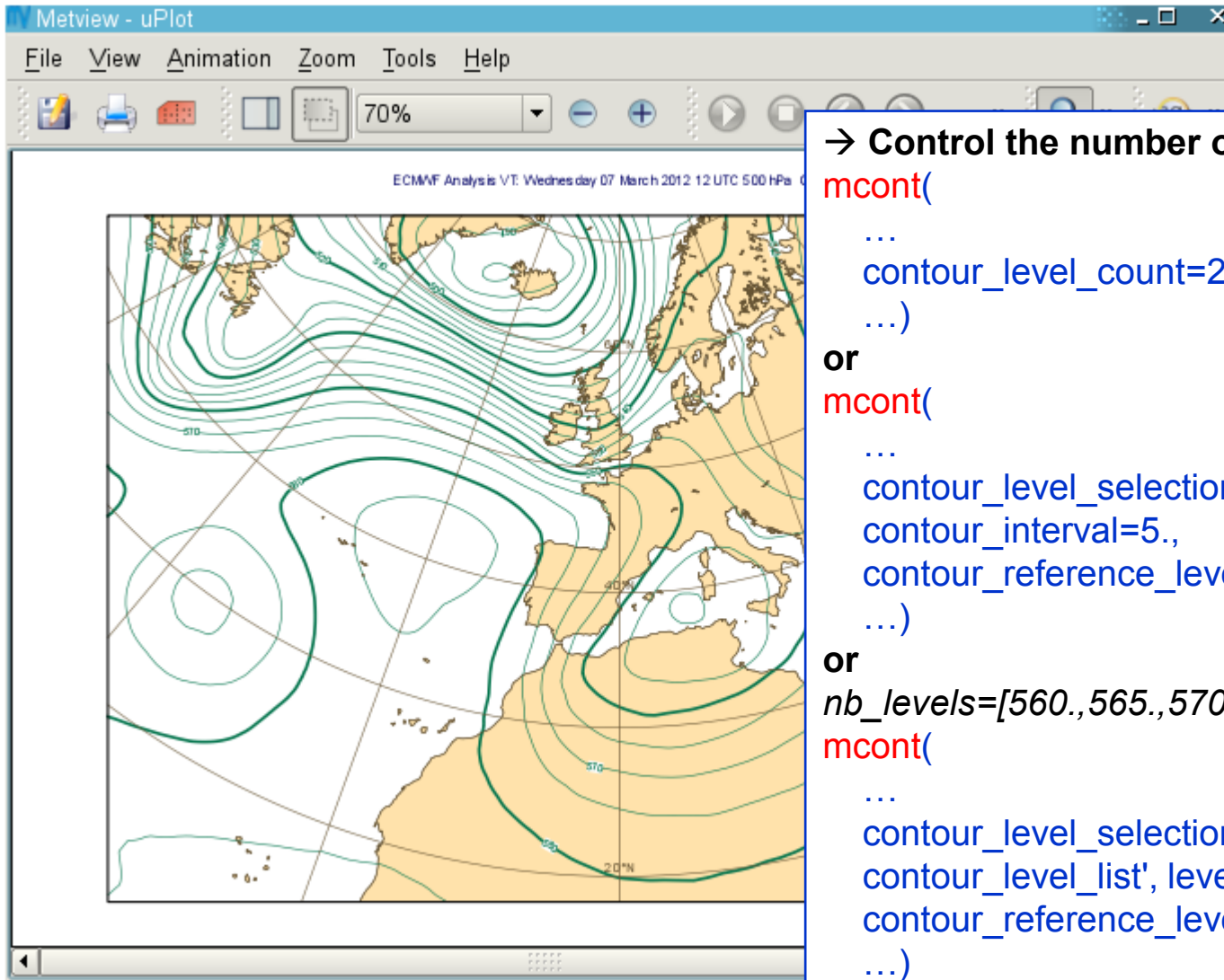
- Method
 - ◆ Akima + Linear (variable resolutions)
- Action Routine PCONT
 - ◆ Fortran: `CALL PCONT`
 - ◆ Python: `mycont = mcont()`
- Contour parameters
- Contour Shading



Contouring based Akima

- Algorithms developed by Hiroshi Akima - documented in the ACM Transactions on Mathematical Software
- INPE/CPTEC (Brazil) has successfully implemented a C++ version
- Accuracy is configurable by the user, although Magics++ will always choose sensible automatic values by default





→ Control the number of isolines

`mcont(`

`...`

`contour_level_count=20,`

`...)`

or

`mcont(`

`...`

`contour_level_selection_type='interval',`

`contour_interval=5.,`

`contour_reference_level=560.,`

`...)`

or

`nb_levels=[560.,565.,570.,580.]`

`mcont(`

`...`

`contour_level_selection_type='level_list',`

`contour_level_list', levels=nb_levels,`

`contour_reference_level=560.,`

`...)`

More on contouring: shading

- Shading techniques

- ◆ Techniques:

- POLYGON

- ◆ DOT,

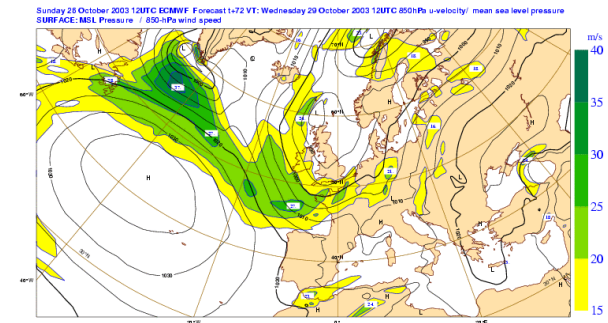
- ◆ AREA_FILL,

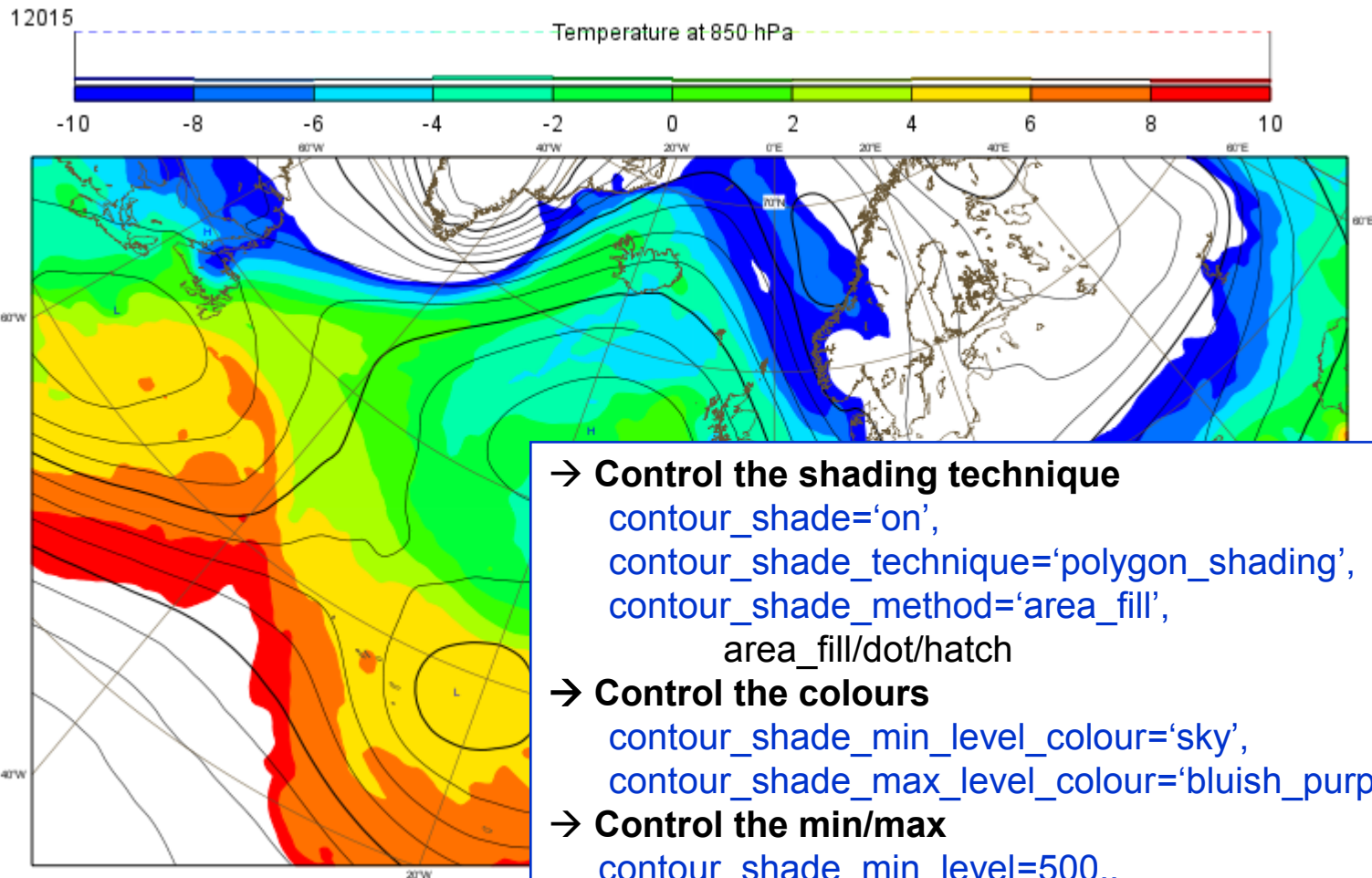
- ◆ HATCH

- CELL_SHADING

- MARKER_SHADING

- GRID_SHADING





→ **Control the shading technique**

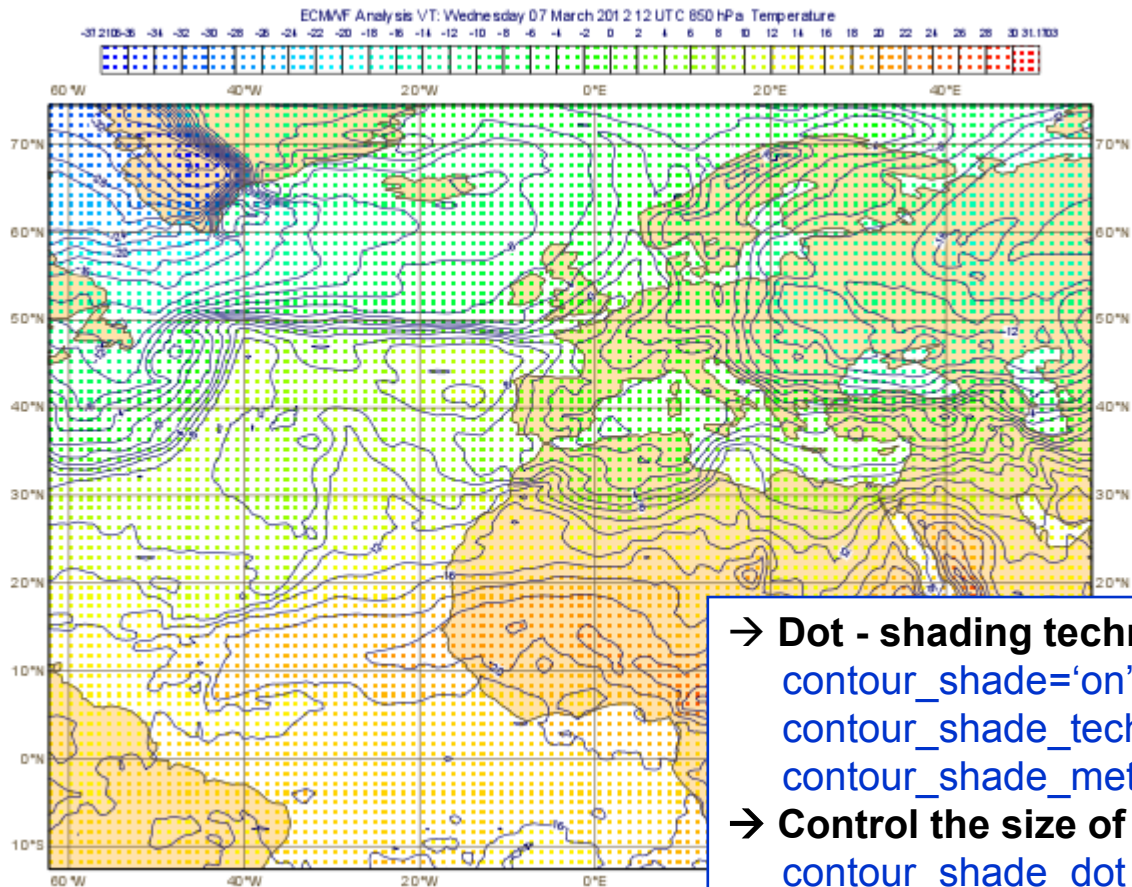
`contour_shade='on',`
`contour_shade_technique='polygon_shading',`
`contour_shade_method='area_fill',`
`area_fill/dot/hatch`

→ **Control the colours**

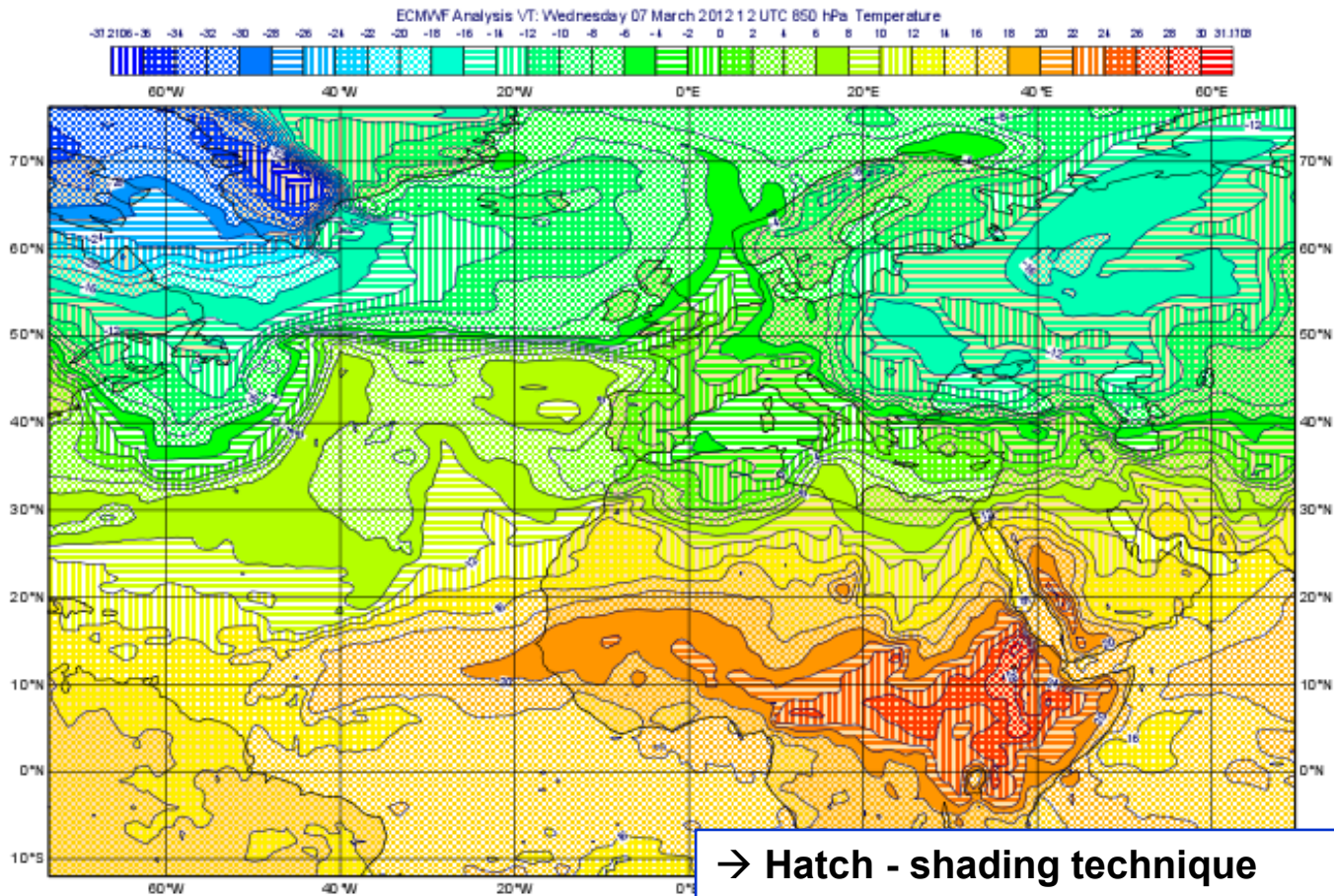
`contour_shade_min_level_colour='sky',`
`contour_shade_max_level_colour='bluish_purple',`

→ **Control the min/max**

`contour_shade_min_level=500.,`
`contour_shade_max_level=560.,`

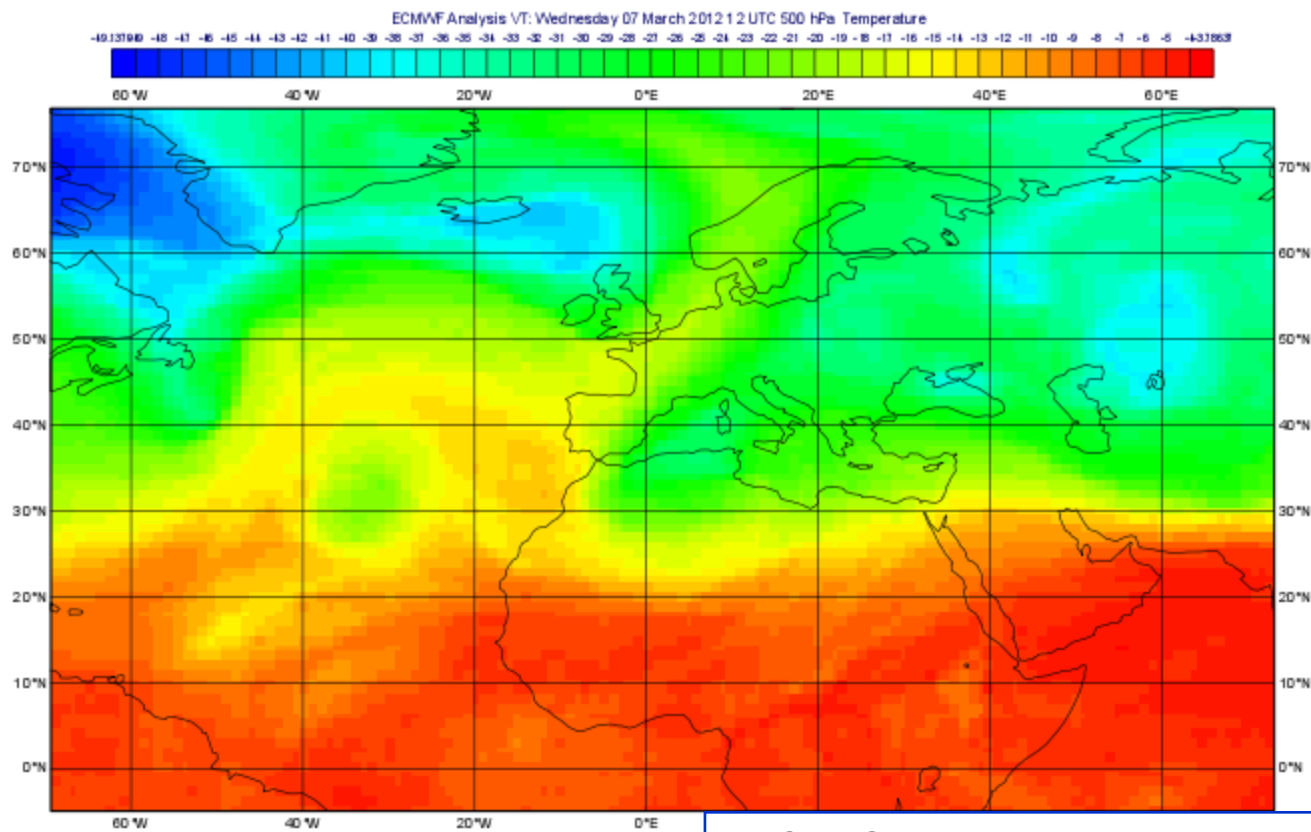


- **Dot - shading technique**
`contour_shade='on',`
`contour_shade_technique='polygon_shading',`
`contour_shade_method='dot',`
- **Control the size of the dots**
`contour_shade_dot_size=0.1,`
`contour_shade_min_level_density=25,`
`contour_shade_max_level_density=25,`
- **Add a legend**
`legend='on',`
`legend_display_type='continuous',`

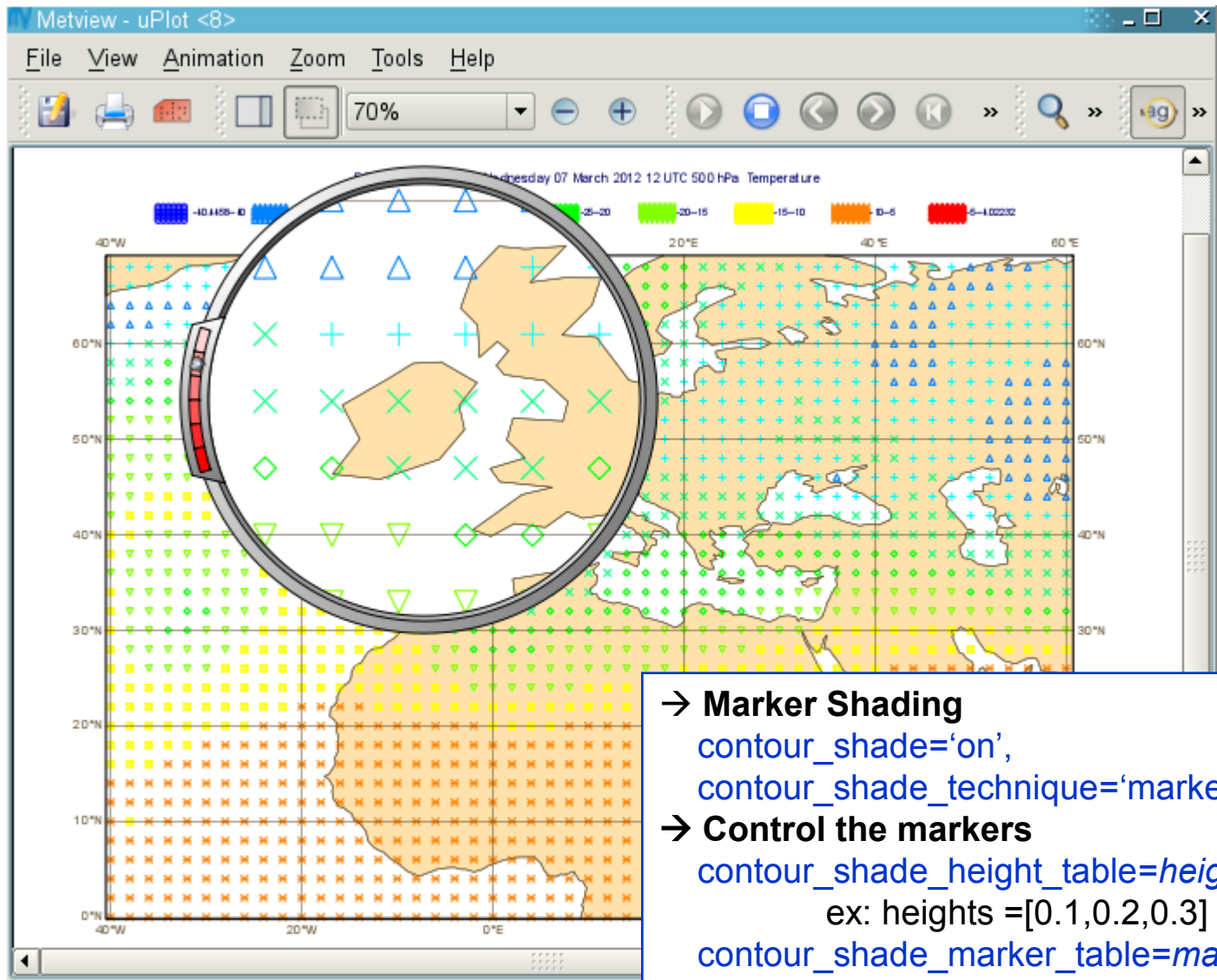


→ Hatch - shading technique

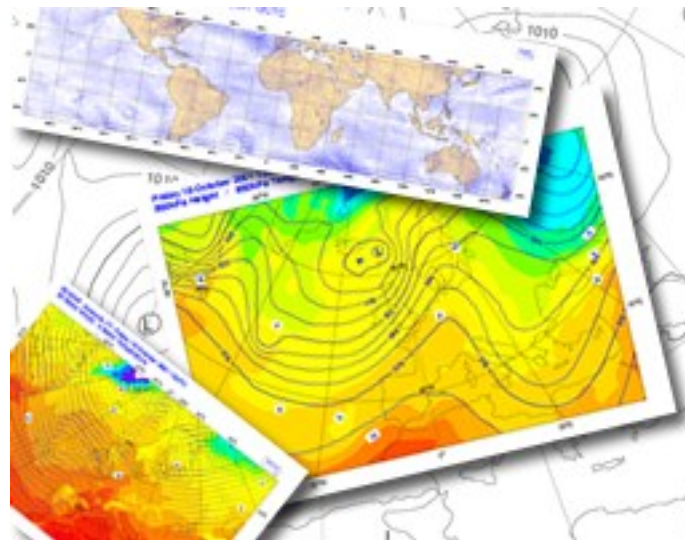
`contour_shade='on',`
`contour_shade_technique='polygon_shading',`
`contour_shade_method='hatch',`



- **Cell Shading**
`contour_shade='on'`,
`contour_shade_technique='cell_shading'`,
- **Control the resolution**
`contour_shade_cell_resolution=5.`,

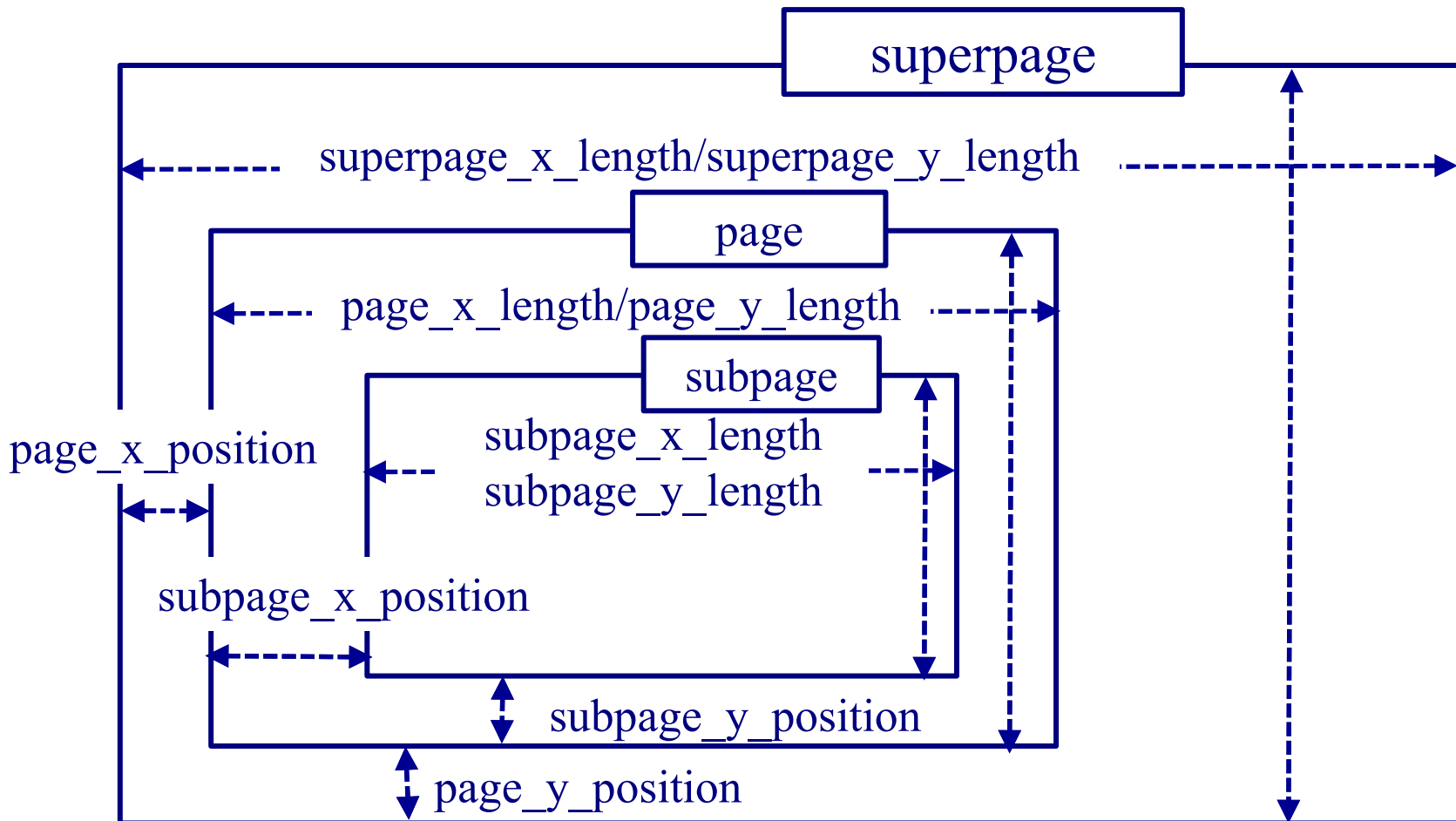


Layout – Text - Legend



Layout

- 3 main concepts : superpage/page/subpage



Layout → things to remember

- The layout and projection settings are done during the call to the first action-routine.

- The instantiation of a **page** object will create a new page.

```
page(page_x_length =14., page_y_length=10.,  
      page_x_position=15., page_y_position=10.5,  
      subpage_x_position=0.5, subpage_y_position=0.5,  
      subpage_x_length=12., subpage_y_length=8.)
```

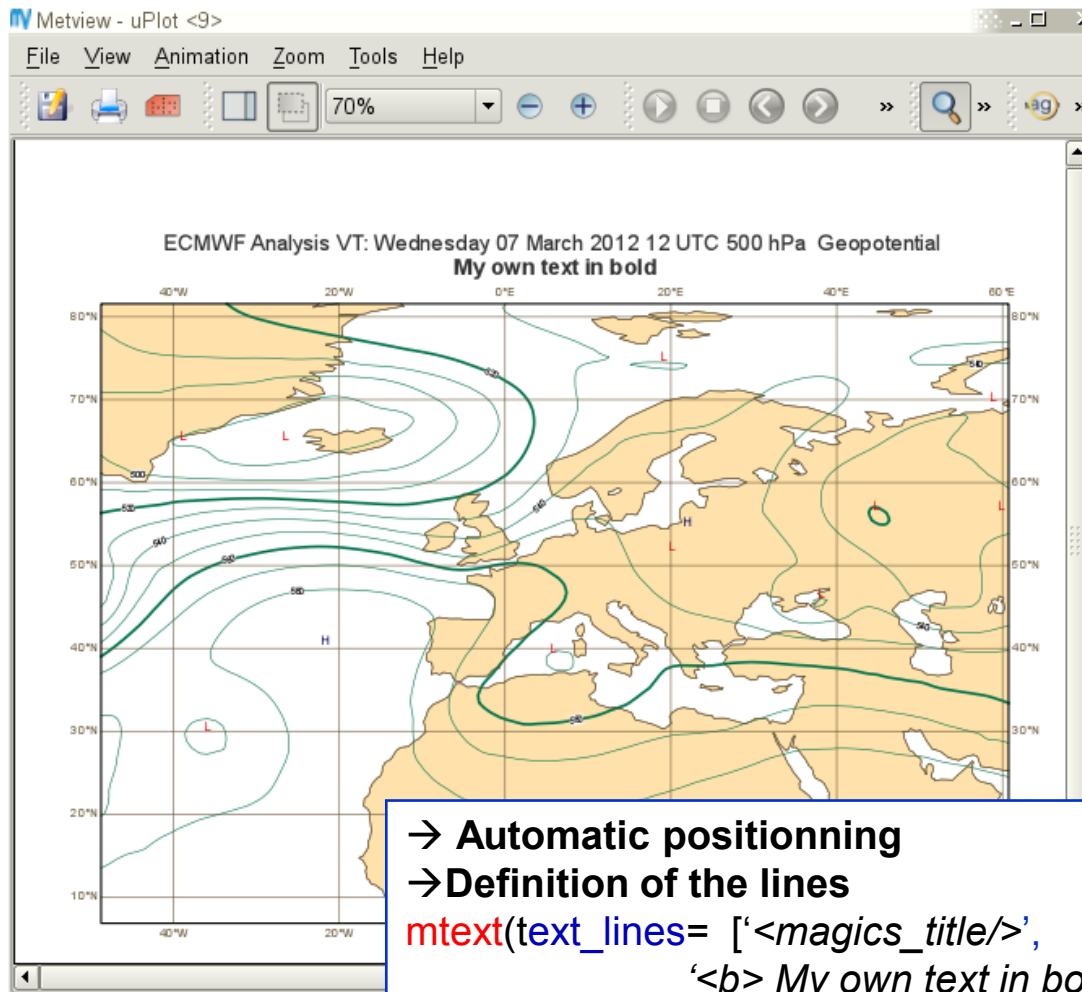
- The dimensions are in **cm**.
- The subpage is the area where the plot will be rendered:
There is always a projection attached to it : geographical
or Cartesian.

Text setting and formatting

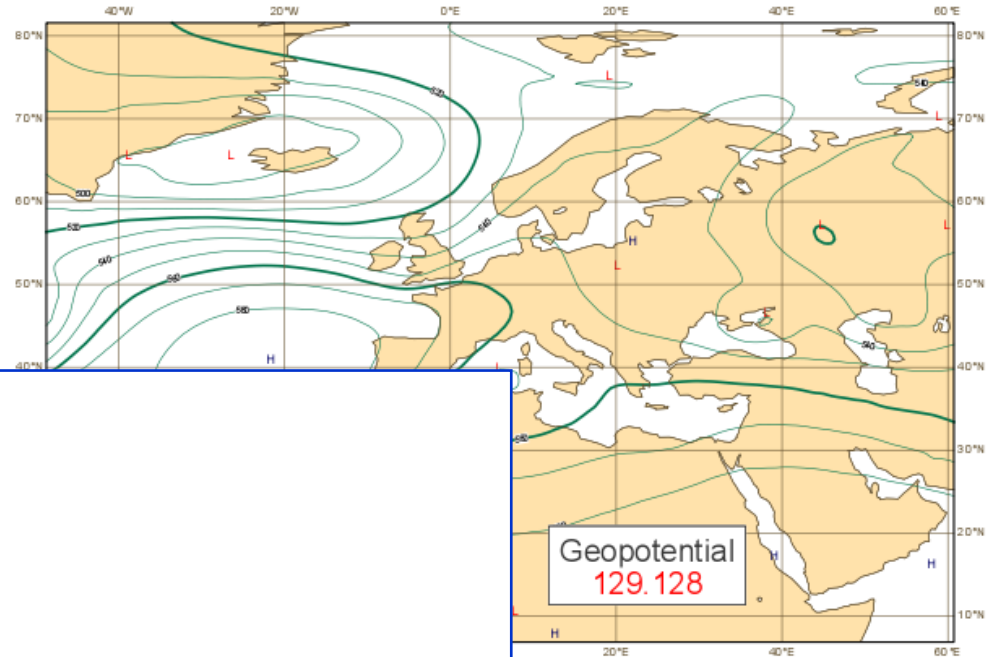
- The position of a the text can be
 - ◆ automatic (attach to the top of the subpage)
 - ◆ positional (text_x_position, text_y_position
text_x_length, text_y_length)
- The text is passed as an array of strings.

Text setting and formatting

- Basic html formatting can be used
 - ◆ `My text ` : bold
 - ◆ ` My text ` : colour and font-size
 - ◆ `_{My text}`: subscribed
 - ◆ `^{My text}`: superscripted
- Some tags allow to extract and use metadata from the grib headers (using the grib_api keys, or magics_specific keys)
 - ◆ `<grib_info key='param' />` (name, base_date valid_date)
 - ◆ `<magics_title />` will create an automatic title.



→ Automatic positioning
 → Definition of the lines
`mtext(text_lines= ['<magics_title/>',
 ' My own text in bold '])`
 automatic title build from the GRIB header
 user text with basic HTML formatting



→ User-defined position

```
mtext(text_mode= 'positional',
      text_box_x_position= 15.,
      text_box_y_position= 2.,
      text_box_x_length= 5.,
      text_box_y_length= 2.,
```

dimensions in cm from the bottom-left corner

```
text_box_blanking= 'on',
text_border= 'on',
text_border_colour= 'charcoal',
```

→ Definition of the lines

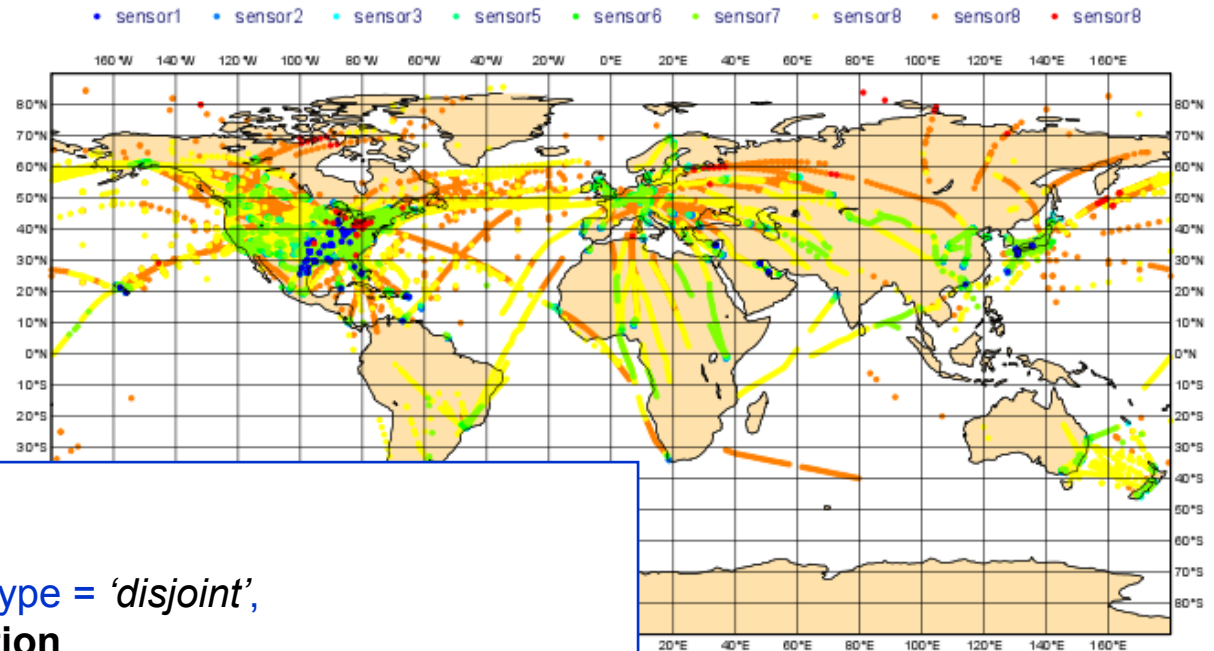
```
text_lines= [ '<grib_info key="name"/>',
              'extract information from the GRIB header using GribAPI keys',
              '<font colour="red"> <grib_info key="param"/> </font> ]
```

adding basic HTML formatting

Legend

- **As a text, the legend (`legend_text_mode`) can be :**
 - ◆ **automatic**
 - ➔ attach to the top of the subpage, below the automatic title
 - ◆ **positional**
 - ➔ `legend_x_position/legend_y_position`
`/legend_x_length/legend_y_length`
- **The legend (`legend_display_type`) can be**
 - ◆ **disjoint**
 - ◆ **continuous**
 - ◆ **histogram**

Disjoint legend using user-defined text



→ Legend definition

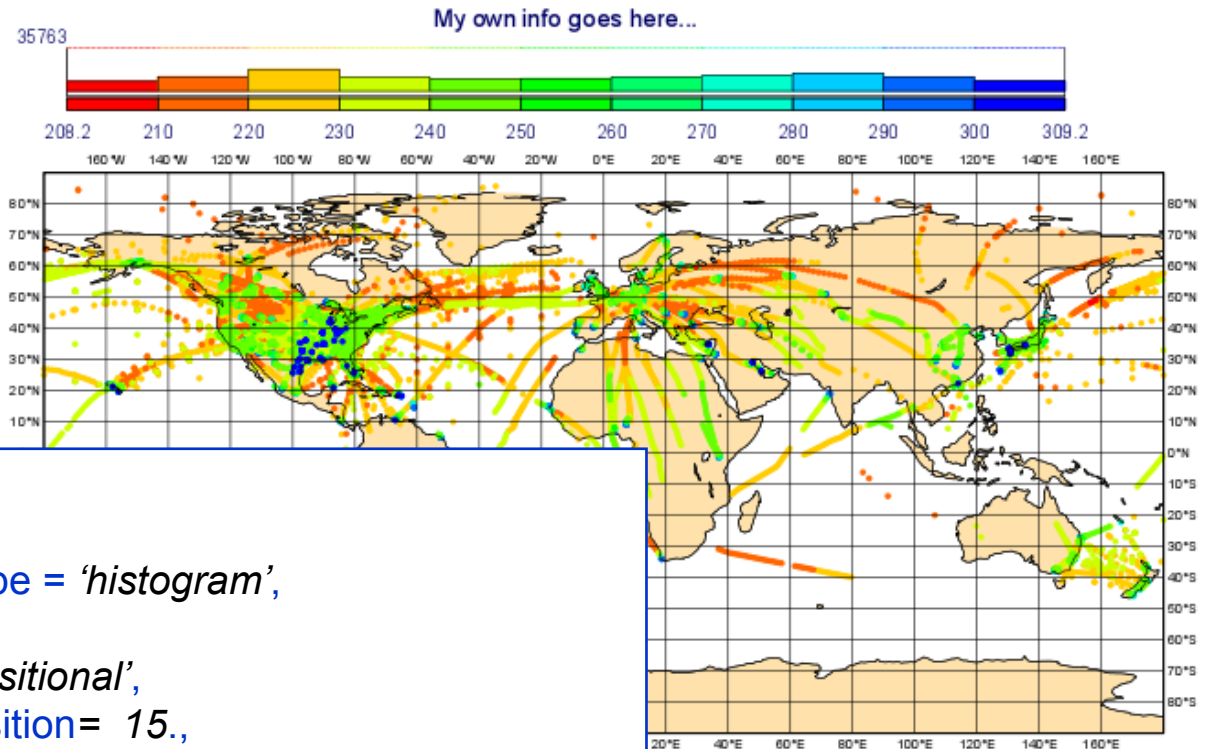
```
mlegend(legend = 'on',  
        legend_display_type = 'disjoint',
```

→ User-defined text definition

```
    legend_text_composition = 'user_text_only')  
    legend_user_lines = ['sensor1', ..., 'sensor8']  
    legend_text_font_size = 0.4,  
    legend_text_colour = 'navy',
```

→ Definition of the title

```
    legend_title = 'on',  
    legend_title_text =  
    '<font size="0.5">Disjoint legend ...</font>')  
    using basic HTML formatting
```



→ Legend definition

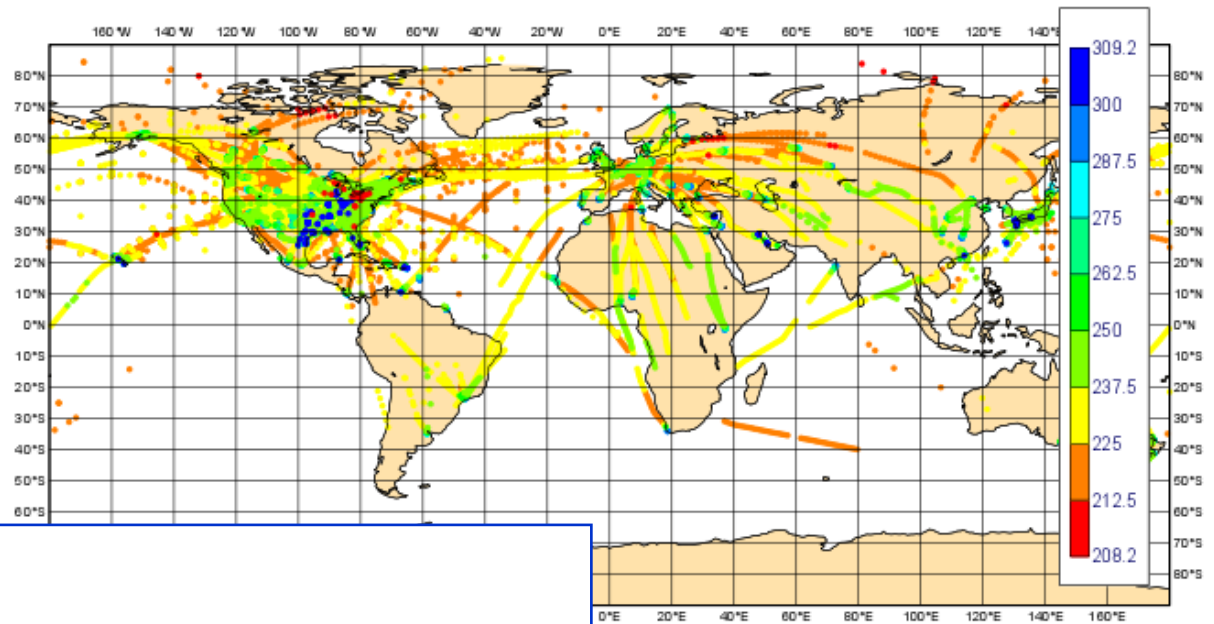
```
mlegend(legend = 'on',
        legend_display_type = 'histogram',
```

→ User-defined position

```
    legend_mode = 'positional',
    legend_box_x_position = 15.,
    legend_box_y_position = 2.,
    legend_box_x_length = 5.,
    legend_box_y_length = 2.,
    dimensions in cm from the bottom-left corner
```

→ Definition of the title

```
    legend_title = 'on',
    legend_title_text =
    '<font size="0.5">My own info goes here...</font>')
    using basic HTML formatting
```



→ **Legend definition**

```
mlegend(legend = 'on',
        legend_display_type = 'continuous',
```

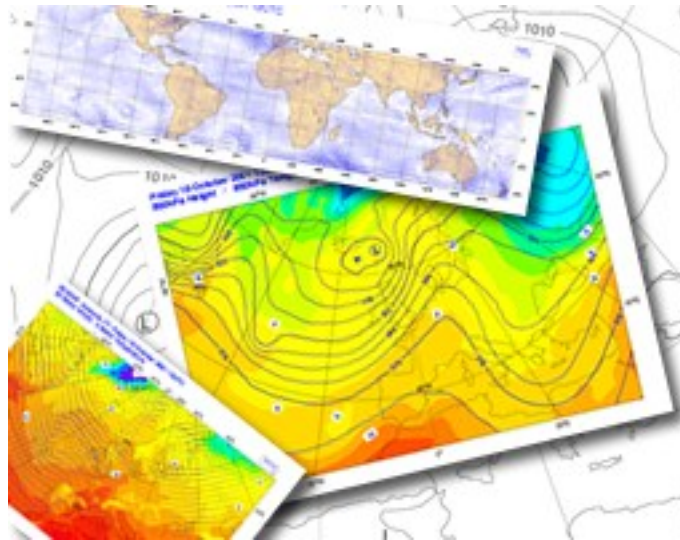
→ **User-defined position (vertical)**

```
    legend_mode = 'positional',
    legend_box_x_position = 25.,
    legend_box_y_position = 1.5,
    legend_box_x_length = 2.,
    legend_box_y_length = 13.)
```

Dimensions in cm from the bottom-left corner

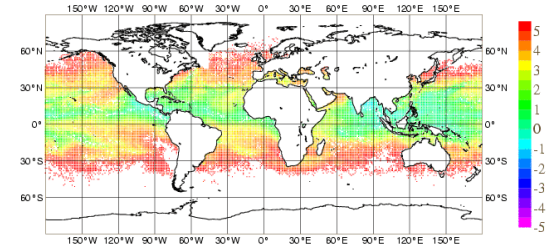
The number of rows and columns can be adjusted.

Magics outputs



Working with Magics output

STATISTICS FOR RADIANCES FROM DMSP-15 / SSM/I - 07
MEAN BIAS CORRECTION (CLEAR)
DATA PERIOD = 2003093018 - 2003100612 , HOUR = ALL
EXP = 0010
Min: -1.2 Max: 7.7 Mean: 3.7108

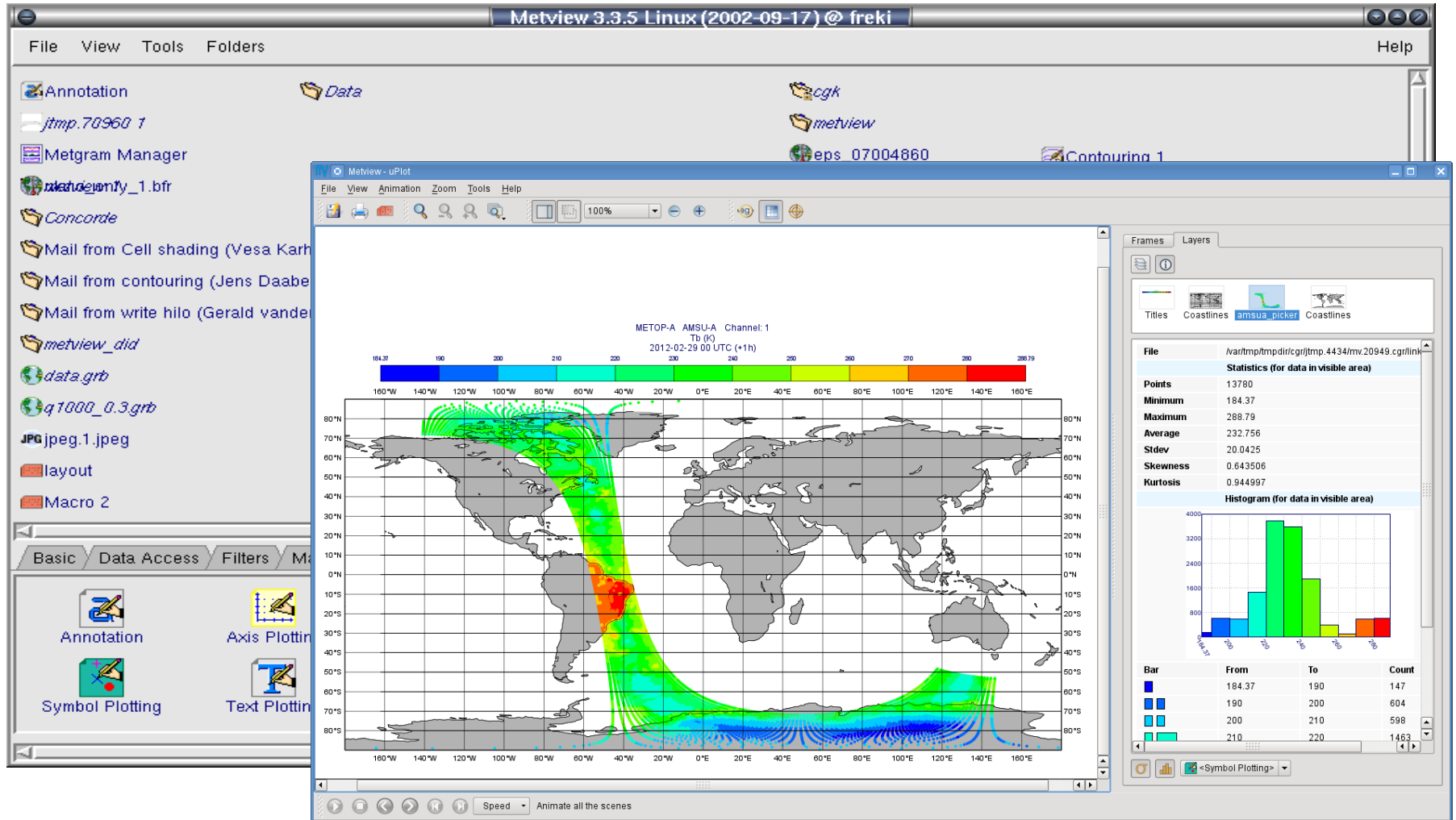


- **Magics has many output formats:**

(depending on the installation)

- ◆ **Vector formats → PostScript (for printers), EPS, PDF, SVG**
 - ◆ **Raster formats → PNG**
 - ◆ **Animated formats → Qt for Metview, KML for Google Earth**
- **PostScript is the default and most reliable output format**
 - **PNG, as a raster format, has not as good quality as vector formats**
 - **SVG is a web vector format which is becoming increasingly popular (HTML5)**
 - **Some formats only support transparent colours**

Magics Qt output → Metview



Viewing and processing Magics output

- The output files can be viewed with:

PostScript : Ghostview (*gv*), *okular*

PNG : *display*, web browser

- Files (especially PostScript) can be easily compressed and uncompressed by *gzip* and *gunzip*. This can save a lot of disk space and speeds up network transfers (email)!!!
- Output files can be processed by many standard tools, such as *xv*, *display* and any web browser.
- Especially powerful is a free package called *ImageMagick*. It contains many tools to process images.

<http://www.imagemagick.org>

Magics++ - defining output

- File naming:

Fortran: `CALL PSETC ('OUTPUT_NAME', 'example_name')`

Python: `output(output_name='example_name')`

will result in names as *example_name.ps* or *example_name.1.png*. The file extension is added automatically by the driver.

- Formats which have one page per file (like PNG) get also a number:

`wind.1.svg, wind.2.svg`

Magics++ - multiple output (Python)

- **Single file format:**

```
output(output_format='png')
```

- **Multiple formats at the same time:**

```
output(output_formats=['png','ps'])
```

→ Very efficient to let Magics do it – data processing only performed once!

Magics++ - multiple output (Fortran)

- **Single file format:**

```
CALL PSETC ('OUTPUT_FORMAT', 'PNG')
```

- **Multiple formats at the same time:**

```
CHARACTER*10 FORMATS
```

```
DIMENSION FORMATS(2)
```

```
DATA FORMATS /'PS', 'PNG'/
```

```
...
```

```
CALL PSET1C ('OUTPUT_FORMATS', FORMATS, 2)
```

Magics++ - multiple output (MagML)

- **Single file format:**

```
<drivers>  
  <PNG output_fullname = "mytest.png">  
</drivers>
```

- **Multiple formats at the same time:**

```
<drivers>  
  <png output_fullname = "mytest.png" />  
  <kml output_fullname = "othertest.kmz" />  
</drivers>
```

Defining output size

- **For most drivers size is set through**
superpage_x_length & superpage_y_length
(default: A4 landscape)

- **For some raster drivers (i.e. PNG)**
output_width (default: 800 pixels)
(where the ratio of superpage gives height)

- **KML is very special!**
 - ◆ **Does not have an output size**
 - ◆ **Only works when Cylindrical projections is set!**

Magics++ - new formats

- **EPS/PDF**

- ◆ Addition to PostScript output to support inclusion in documents (Word, Latex) and on the web

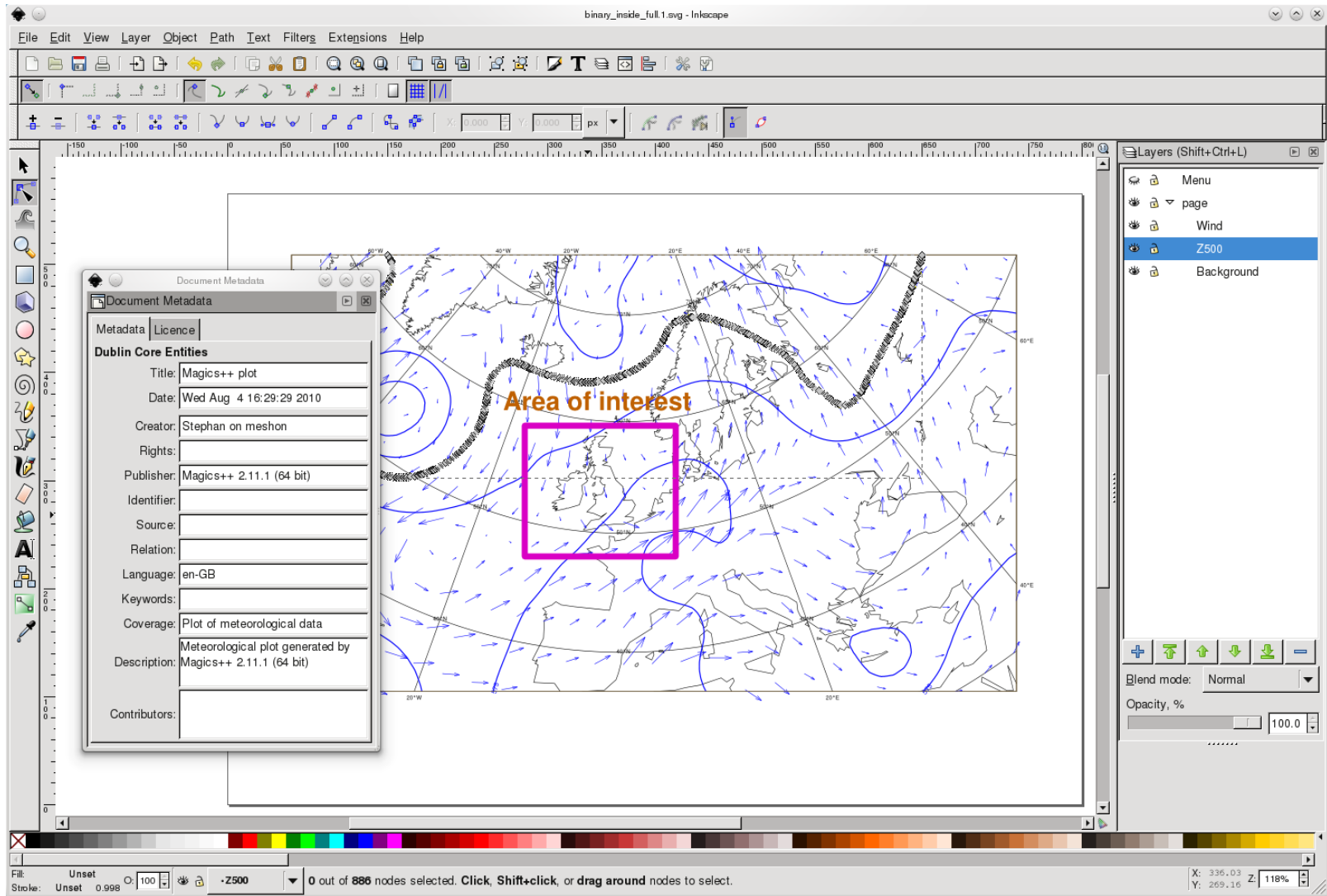
- **SVG**

- ◆ Vector format for web/printing (HTML5)
- ◆ Human readable and supports interactivity

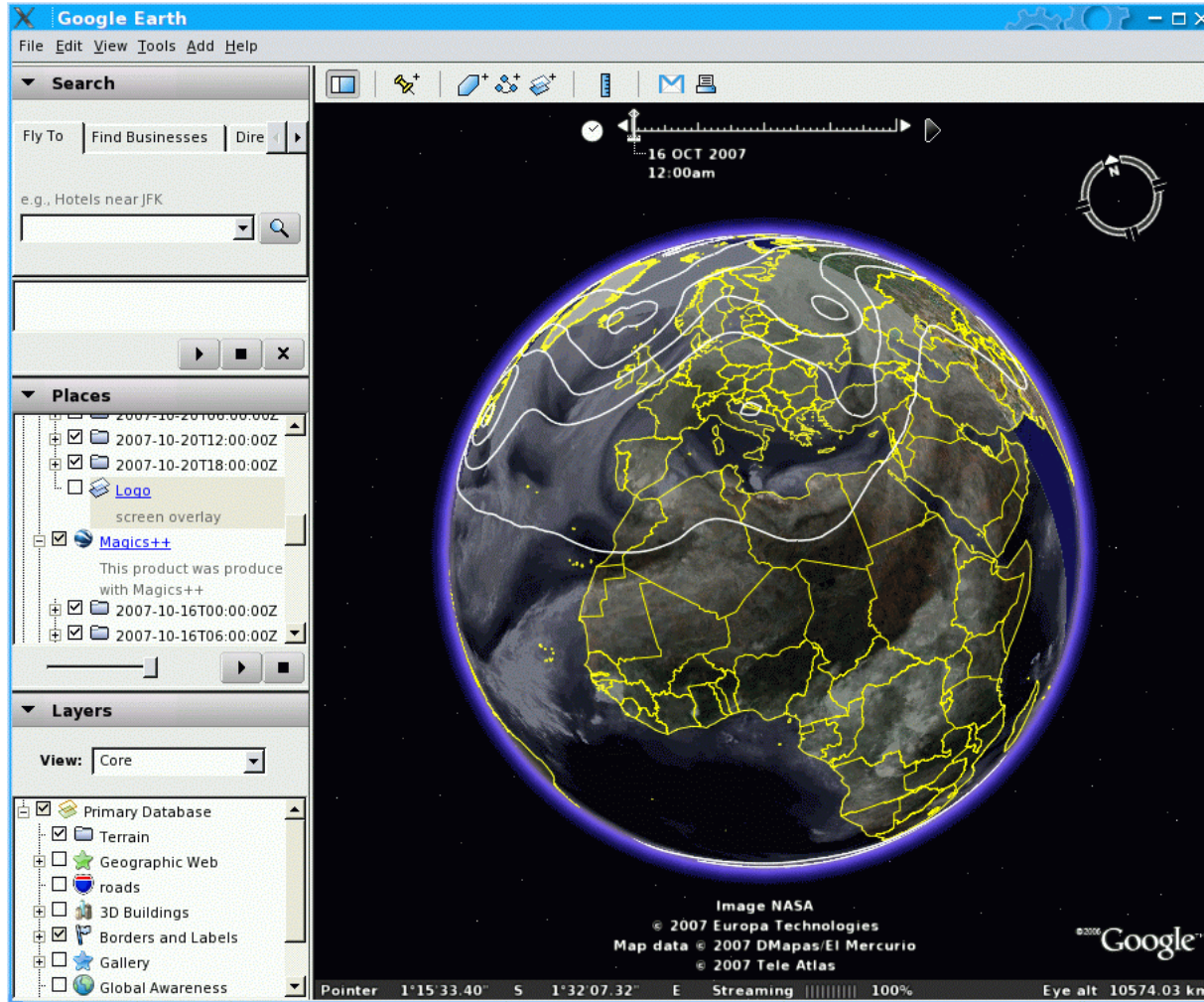
- **KML**

- ◆ For use in Google Earth and Google Maps
- ◆ Still in the beginning (no legend, no wind flags/arrows)

Magics++ : SVG output

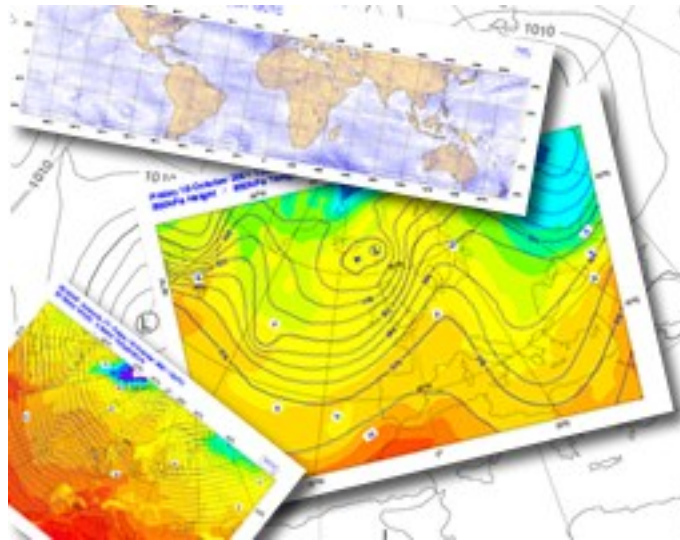


Magics++ : KML output



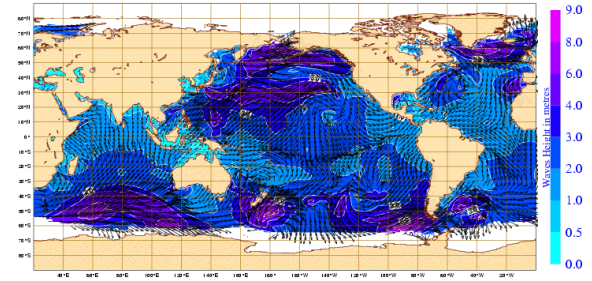
(Works not for all types of data/projections)

Wind Plotting



More on Wind Plotting

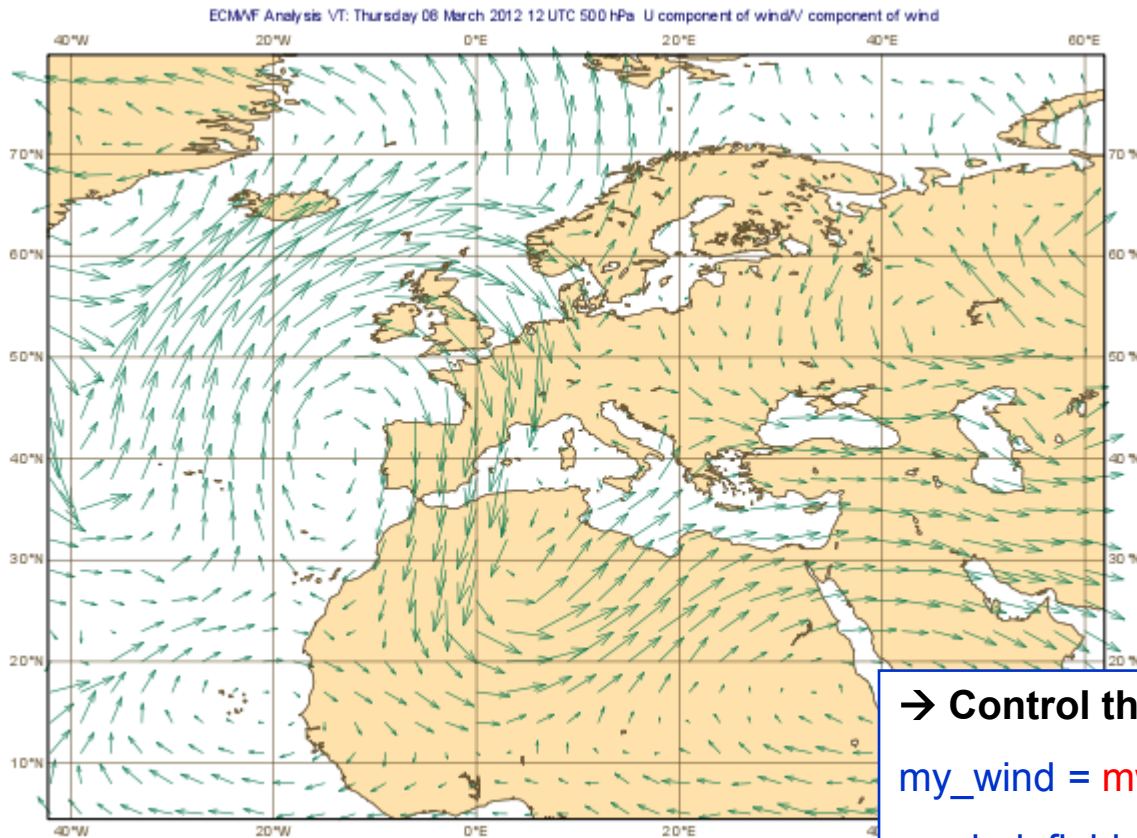
- Wind field :
 - ◆ U/V velocity components
 - ◆ Speed and direction
 - Set mode through 'GRIB_WIND_MODE'
- Wind plotting
 - ◆ Wind arrows
 - ◆ WMO standard wind flags
 - Set type through 'WIND_FIELD_TYPE'



More on Wind plotting

- The projection of wind fields is done automatically
- There is no interpolation.
- A thinning process may be applied
- User has control over:
 - ◆ Colour
 - ◆ Thickness
 - ◆ Minimum/maximum speed
 - ◆ Calm indicator

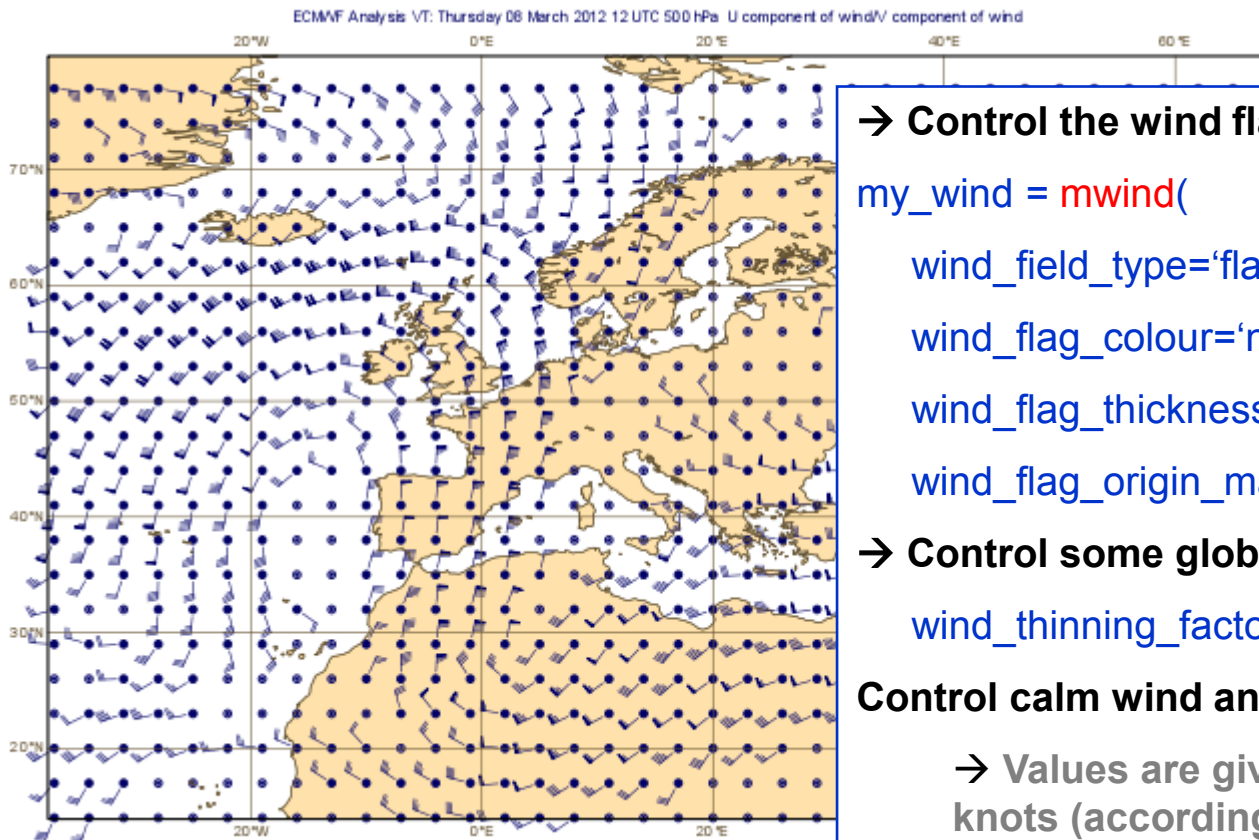
Wind arrows example



→ Control the wind plotting

```
my_wind = mwind(  
    wind_field_type='arrows',  
    arrows/flags  
    wind_arrow_colour='evergreen')
```

Wind flag example



→ Control the wind flags

```
my_wind = mwind(  
  wind_field_type='flags',  
  wind_flag_colour='navy',  
  wind_flag_thickness=1.5,  
  wind_flag_origin_marker='dot',
```

→ Control some global attributes

```
  wind_thinning_factor=3.,
```

Control calm wind and min/max (m/s)

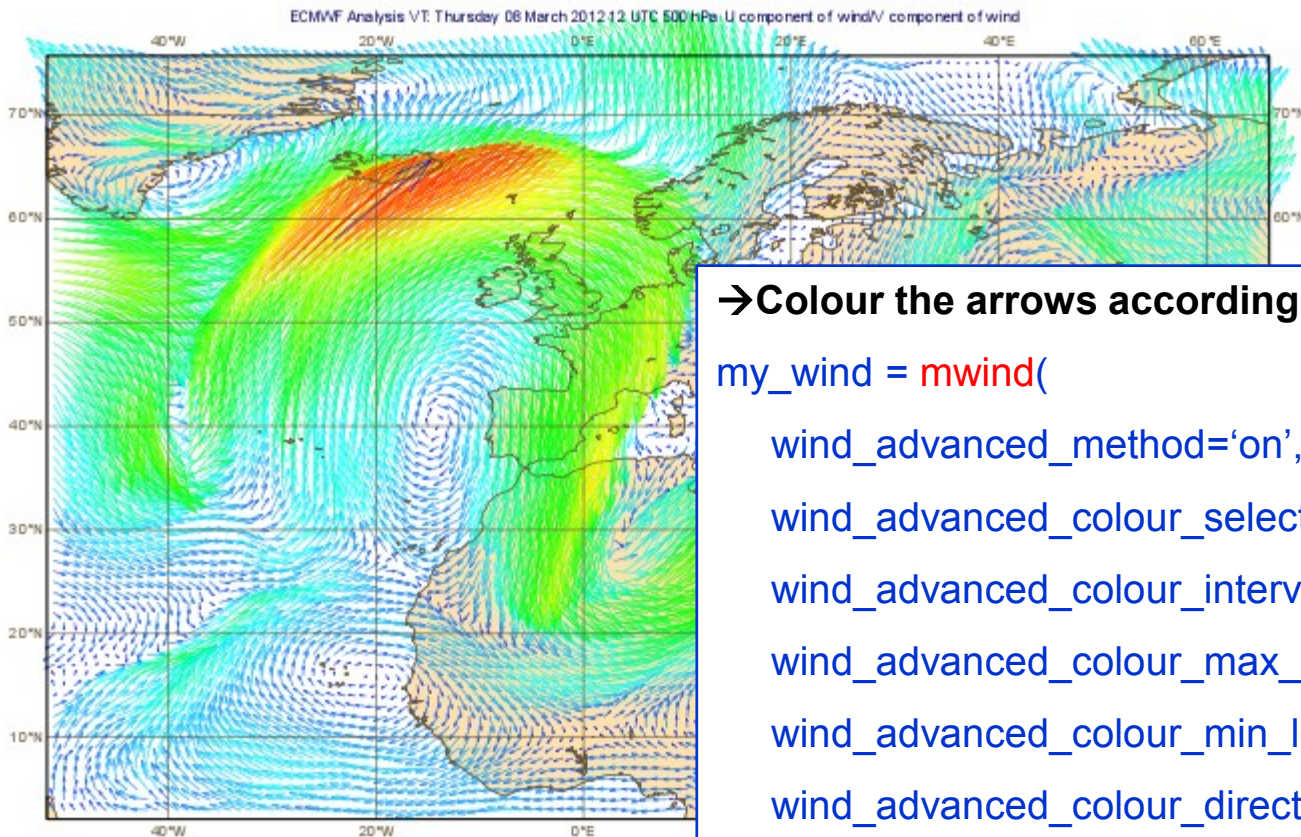
→ Values are given in m/s BUT displayed in knots (according to WMO standard)

```
  wind_flag_calm_below=1.5,
```

```
  wind_flag_min_speed=1.,
```

```
  wind_flag_max_speed=10.)
```

Advanced wind plotting



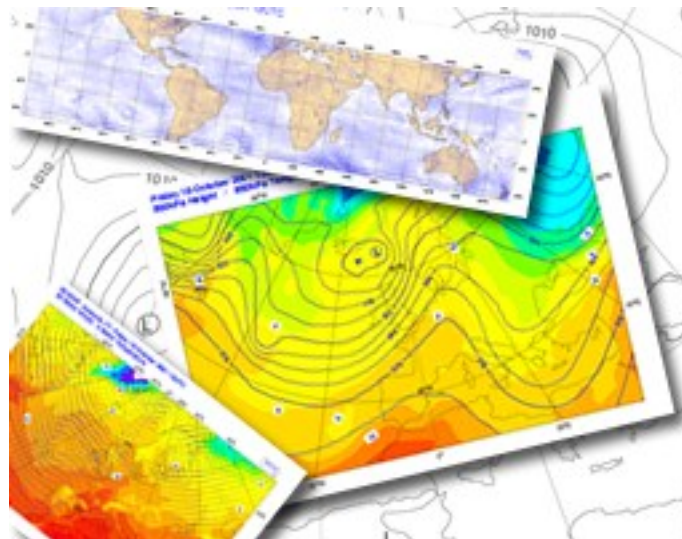
→Colour the arrows according to the wind speed

```
my_wind = mwind(  
    wind_advanced_method='on',  
    wind_advanced_colour_selection_type='interval',  
    wind_advanced_colour_interval=2.,  
    wind_advanced_colour_max_level_colour='red',  
    wind_advanced_colour_min_level_colour='blue',  
    wind_advanced_colour_direction='clockwise',
```

→Control some global attributes

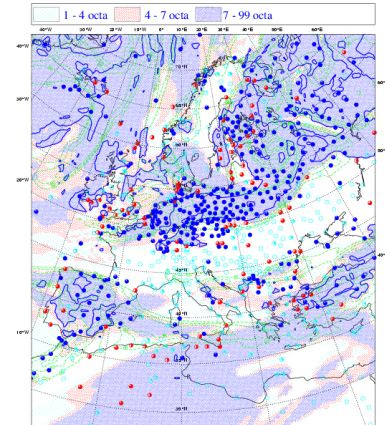
```
    wind_arrow_unit_velocity=25.,  
    wind_thinning_factor=1.)
```

Observations and symbol plotting

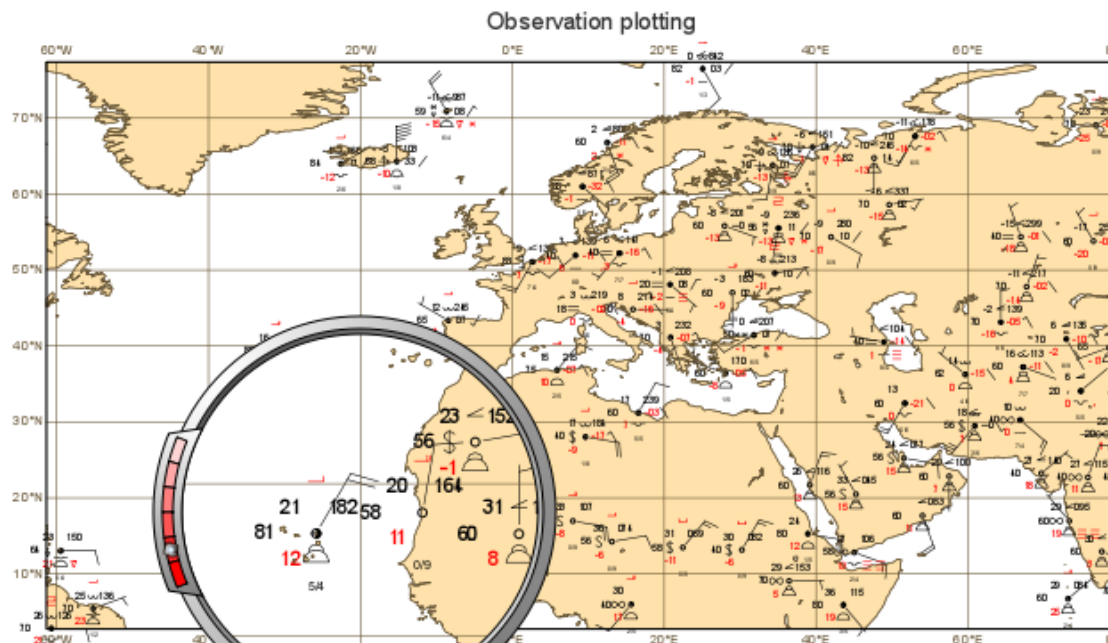


More on Observations

- Magics++ supports basic observation plotting
 - ◆ Synop
- WMO plotting standards.
- WMO BUFR code



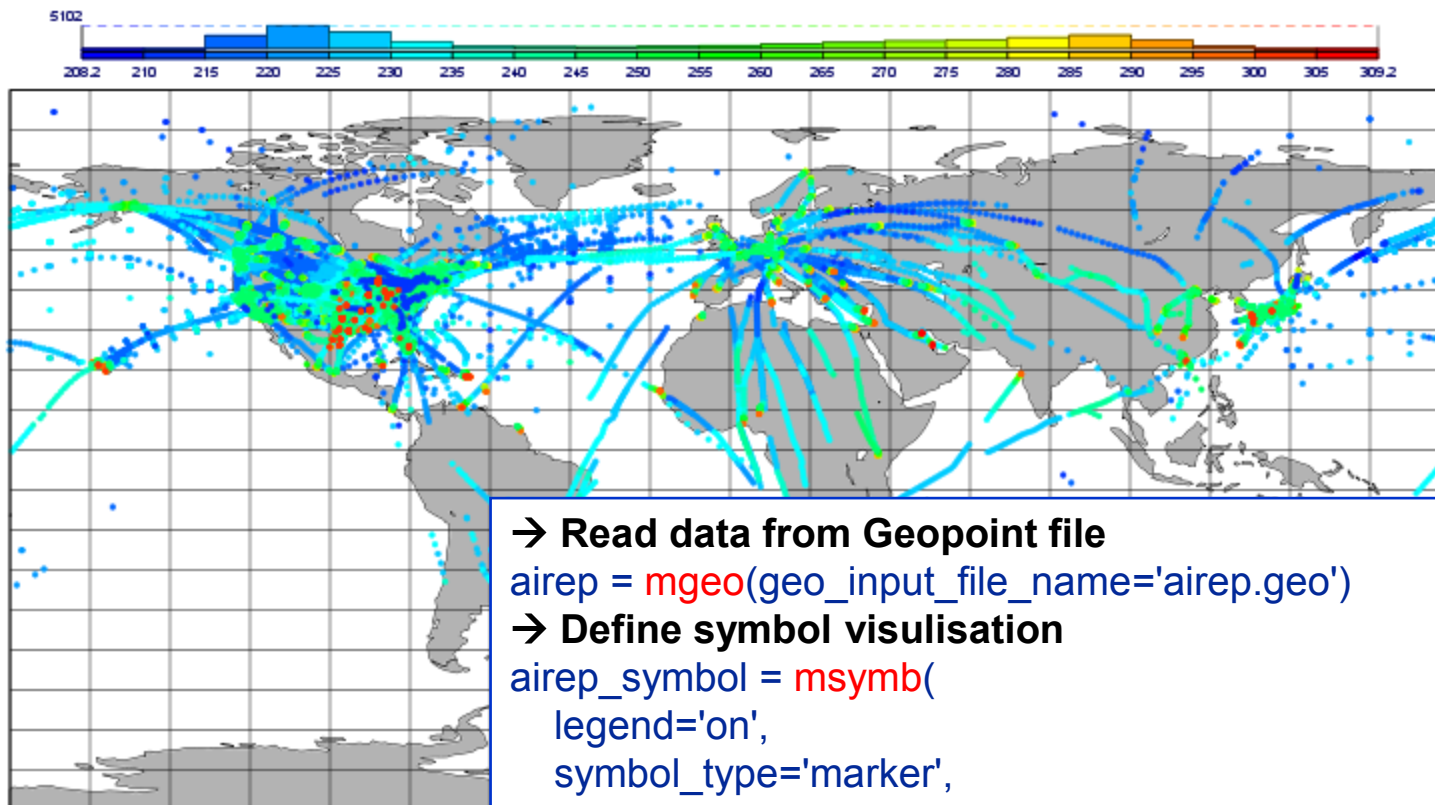
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Symbol plotting

- **Magics has many options to plot symbols representing data, such as observations**
- **Magics++ improves the handling of large amounts of data coming from satellites stored in ODB**
- **Valid inputs:**
 - ◆ **Arrays of values**
 - x_values/y_values
 - ◆ **Geopoints files**
 - Ascii files (Metview)
 - ◆ **ODB**

Monitoring of airep data



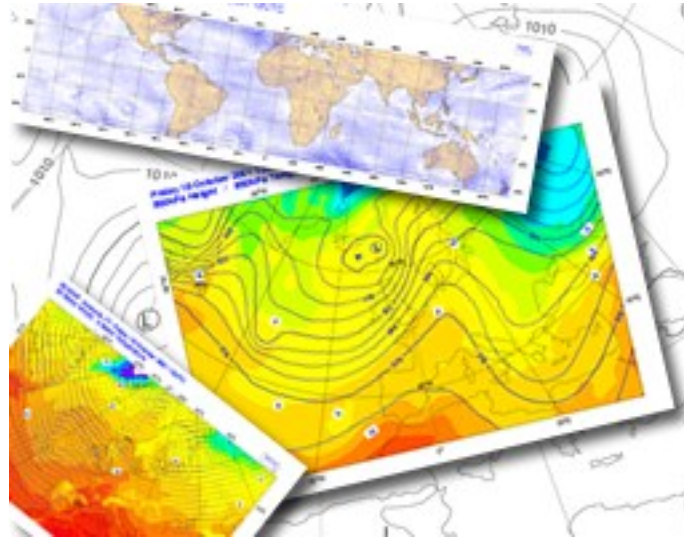
→ Read data from Geopoint file

```
airep = mgeo(geo_input_file_name='airep.geo')
```

→ Define symbol visualisation

```
airep_symbol = msymb(  
    legend='on',  
    symbol_type='marker',  
    symbol_table_mode='advanced',  
    symbol_advanced_table_selection_type='interval',  
    symbol_advanced_table_interval=5.,  
    symbol_advanced_table_min_level_colour='blue',  
    symbol_advanced_table_max_level_colour='red',  
    symbol_advanced_table_colour_direction='clockwise',  
    symbol_marker_index=15)
```

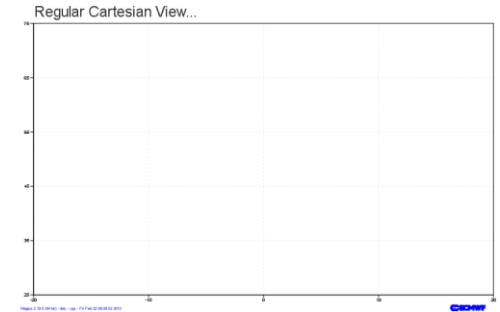
Cartesian projection and Graph Plotting



Cartesian View

- A Cartesian view is defined by 2 axis i.e. 2 calls to *paxis*.

```
mmap(subpage_map_projection = 'cartesian',  
      subpage_x_axis_type='regular',  
      subpage_x_min = -20, subpage_x_max=20,  
      subpage_y_axis_type='regular',  
      subpage_y_min = -20, subpage_y_max=20)
```



- The setting should follow these basic rules

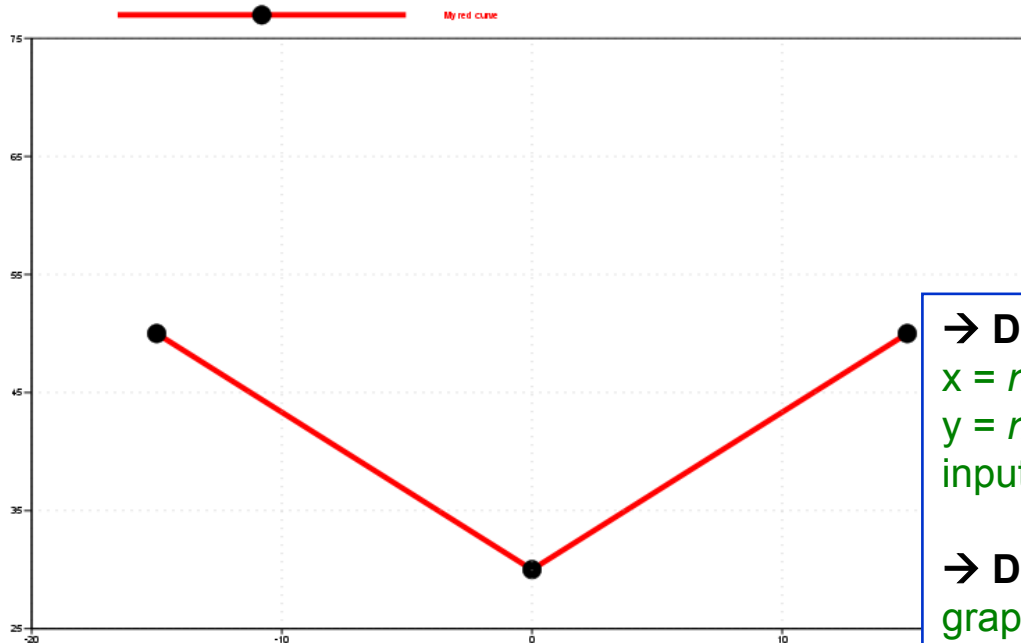
→ First step : define the horizontal axis

```
horizontal = maxis(axis_orientation='horizontal')
```

→ Second step : define the vertical axis

```
vertical = maxis(axis_orientation='vertical')
```

Simple Graph with legend



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→ Define the input

```
x = numpy.array([-15., 0., 15.])
```

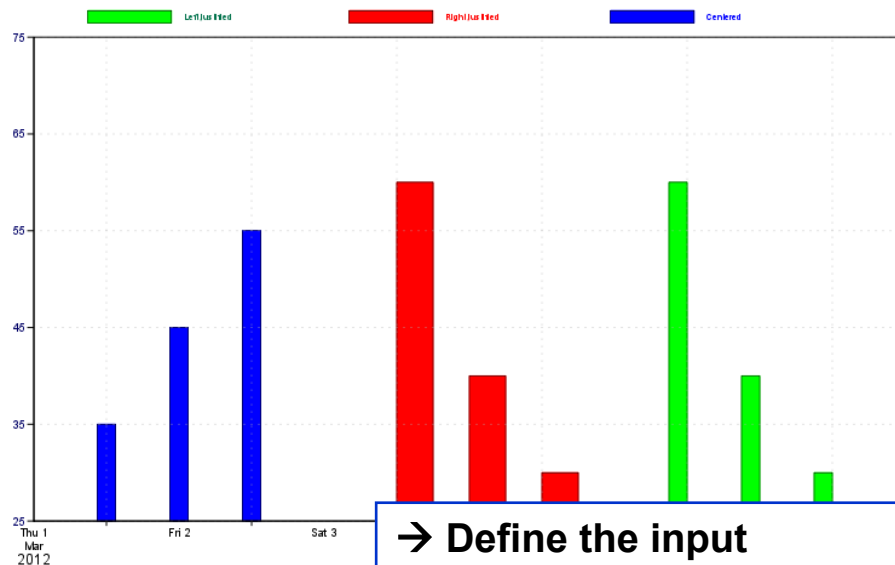
```
y = numpy.array([50., 30., 50.])
```

```
input = minput(input_x_values = x,  
               input_y_values = y,
```

→ Define the graph

```
graph = mgraph(  
  graph_line_colour='red',  
  graph_line_thickness=8,  
  graph_symbol='on',  
  legend='on',  
  legend_user_text="My red curve",  
  graph_symbol_marker_index=15,  
  graph_symbol_colour='black',  
  graph_symbol_height=1.)
```

Bar Justification



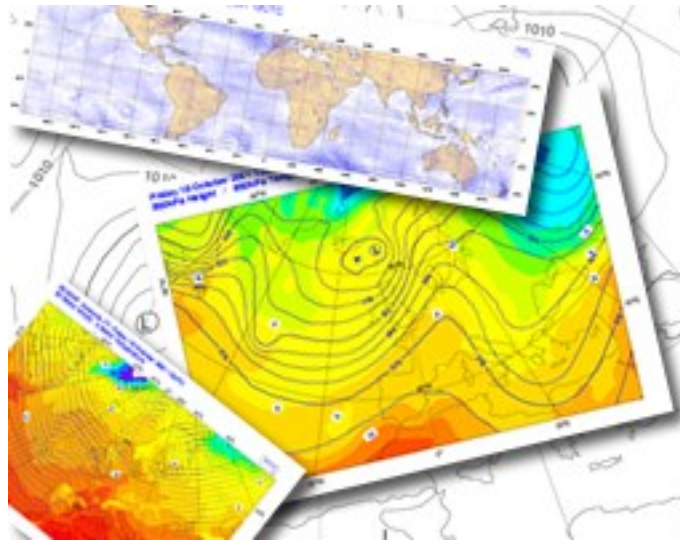
→ Define the input

```
x = ['2012-03-02 00:00:00', '2012-03-02 12:00:00', '2012-03-03 00:00:00']  
y = numpy.array([35., 45., 55.])  
input = minput( input_x_values= x,  
                input_y2_values= y,  
                input_y_values= [0.] * len(y),
```

→ Define the graph

```
centre = mgraph(  
    graph_type='bar',  
    graph_bar_justification='centre',  
    graph_bar_colour='blue',  
    graph_bar_width=3 * 3600.,  
    legend='on',  
    legend_user_text="Centered")
```

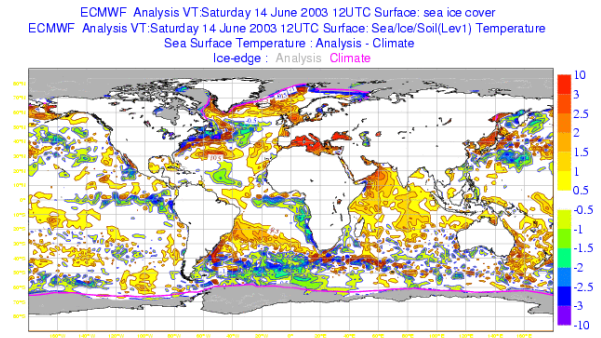
Wrap-up



Where to find information?

- On the Magics web site, you will find:
 - ◆ Gallery of examples
 - ◆ Tutorial
 - ◆ Reference manual
 - ◆ Magics change history
 - ◆ Information about input and output formats
 - ◆ Links to Newsletter article about Magics

<https://software.ecmwf.int/magics>



Contacting the Magics developers

- We encourage users to contact us to give feedback.
- If you send emails to magics@ecmwf.int to ask for help please provide us with this information:
 - ◆ A clear subject line (e.g. “Logo looks upside down”)
 - ◆ A short description of your system (e.g. ‘uname -a’ and compilers used)
 - ◆ A time frame which a problem needs to be fixed
 - ◆ Please compress large files (gzip / bzip)
- Currently we aim for two major releases a year and you might have to wait for the next release to get an update

Getting Magics++

- Download free (under Apache license) from <https://software.ecmwf.int/magics/Releases>
- Installation Guide at <https://software.ecmwf.int/magics/Installation+Guide>
`./configure ; make ; make check ; make install`

How to compile and execute your Magics++ program at home?

- Magics++ provides a script called `magics-config` to help you setting up your environment and compile Magics programs.
- The script is installed in `$prefix/bin`.
- Setup Magics once per shell: `magics-config --print-setup`
- Compile and link using
 - ◆ `gfortran test.f -o ftest `magics-config --f90libs``
 - ◆ `gcc test.c -o ctest `magics-config --cxxincludes --clibs``or even
 - ◆ `magics-config --compile=myprogram.f` (only for pure Magics programs!)

How to compile and execute your Magics++ program at ECMWF ?

- Setup Magics once per shell: **use magics++**
- Create your Fortran program
 - ◆ Use an editor (*vi*, *xemacs*, *nedit*, *kwrite*) to write your Magics calls
- Compile and link
 - ➔ Linux: `pgf90 -o myMagics myMagics.f $MAGPLUSLIB_SHARED`
- Run your program
- View your result - Use a PostScript viewer : **gv**, **display**
- Modify your program if necessary ...

Any questions / suggestions?

Any questions and suggestions are welcome!

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