

Key mediterranean climate records Metadata inventories

France

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What Medare data is targeting ?

- **INSTRUMENTAL DATA FOR ESSENTIAL CLIMATE VARIABLES (TEMP, PREC, PRESSURE, WATER VAPOUR, WIND, ETC.) THE LONGEST RECORDS AVAILABLE, BUT WITH ENOUGH SPATIAL RESOLUTION : professional stations**
- **USEFUL EVEN AT NATIONAL SCALES AS A HIGH-QUALITY INPUT TO VALIDATE RCMs' OUTPUTS OR GENERATE CLIMATE CHANGE SCENARIOS AND ASSESSING SECTORAL IMPACTS**

Question : resolution required ? Problem with rainfall in the South of France because of the relief and the spatial variability

Sources of french old meteorological observation

- **Early meteorological networks (18 th century)**
 - Mannheim Societas meteorologica Palatina, Société Royale de Médecine
 - Astronomical observatories,
 - Diaries of booksellers ..

- **Networks in the 19th century**
 - Military hospital in France and overseas
 - School (from 1850 to 1945)
 - Civil service (water and forest, flood, telegraph ..)
 - Astronomical observatories most of them begin after 1880 except Paris, Lyon Marseille and Toulouse

Long series at Météo-France

long term climate series depend on the French meteorology history

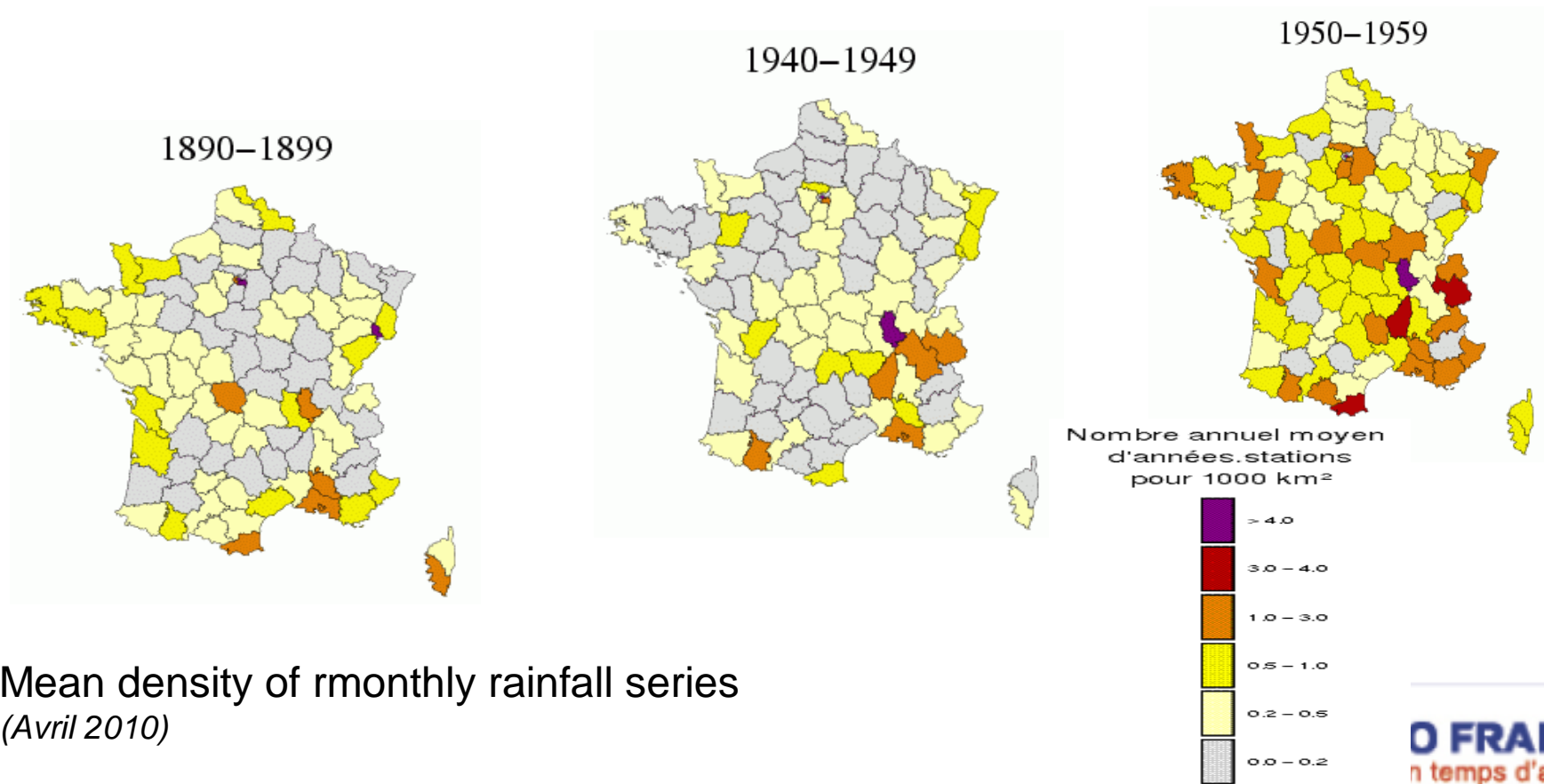
Key dates

- 1878 : Bureau central météorologique 1878, firsts meteorological office network based on astronomical observatories
- 1919 : Office National de la Météorologie with new professional network in 1920 (17 stations)
- 1945 Météorologie nationale 100 professional (civil and military airports)

Availability of old meteorological observations

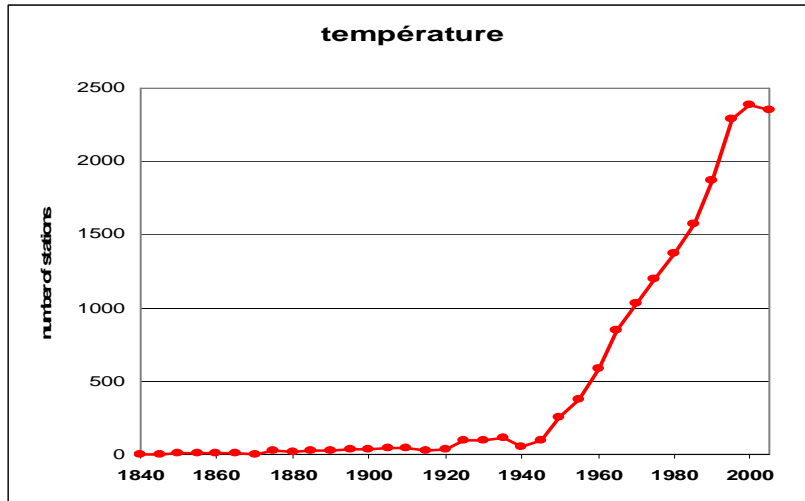
Rainfall in Paris à 19^{ème} siècle dans la BDCLIM mais 530 stations avec des précipitations mensuelles en 1870

mais seulement 30 stations avec des données quotidiennes dans la BDCLIM



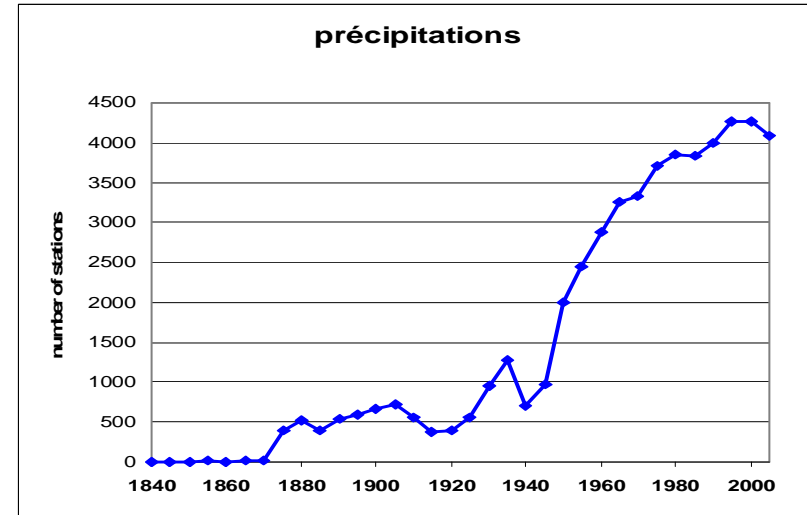
Mean density of monthly rainfall series
(Avril 2010)

Daily observations in BDCLIM



Daily Temperature

40 stations in 1900
260 stations in 1950
2350 stations in 2005



Daily rainfall

670 stations in 1900
2000 stations in 1950
4090 stations in 2005

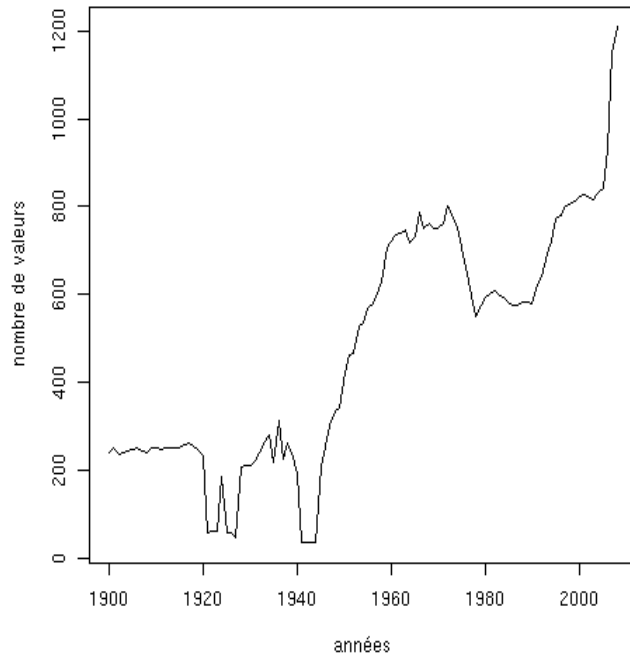
Data before 1875 are rare in the BDCLIM database

Monthly rainfall availability in the BDCLIM

Two Examples in the South of France

Number of monthly values

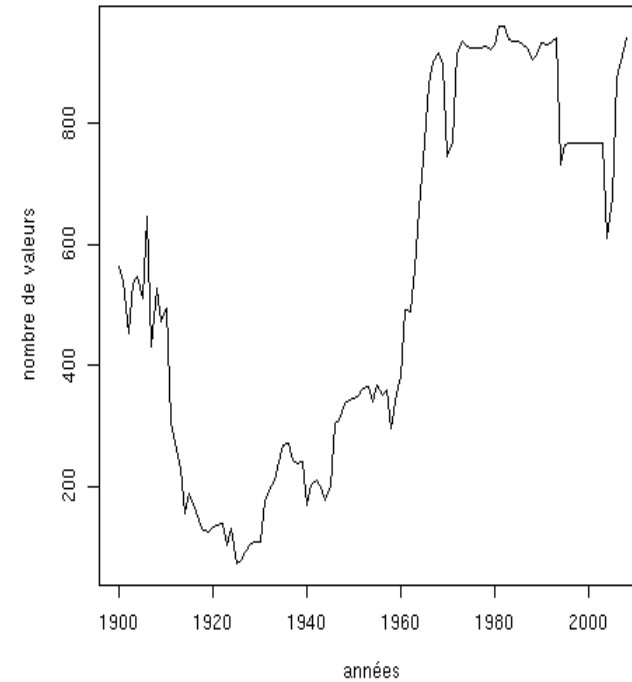
Nombre de valeurs mensuelles de précipitations
Département de l'Ardèche



ARDECHE (Privas Cévennes)

Number of monthly values

Nombre de valeurs mensuelles de précipitations
Département de l'Aude



AUDE
Carcassonne
(ne)

Long term series for MEDARE Data Portal

- MARIGNANE (Marseille airport)
- MONTPELLIER
- NICE
- TOULOUSE
- PERPIGNAN

5 synoptical professional reliable stations since decades

5 airports

Essential Climate Variables available every 3 hours since 1946 for all stations

Astronomical meteorological series or school series enable to create long term series of daily and subdaily data (pressure and temperature)

Subdaily data hours

Toulouse Francazal 1934 handwritten observations

Station de *Toulouse* Mois de *janvier* 1931

DATES.	PRESSION BAROMÉTRIQUE						VENT DES GIROUETTES						NÉBULOSITÉ PARTIELLE de l'ensemble des nuages bas (de 0 à 10).			VISIBILITÉ		
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Indiquer ici quelle est l'échelle adoptée pour évaluer la force du vent (de 0 à 6 ou de 0 à 9 ou de 0 à 12) ou sa vitesse (mètres par seconde ou kilomètres) :

Observations in professional stations before 1949 : 7h, 13, 18h UTC

Observations in professional and synoptical stations 1949-1992

00, 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21 UTC

Observations in professional and synoptical stations since 1993

every hour

Metadata in the database BDCLIM

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CARACTERISTIQUES DU POSTE			
Type:	Station professionnelle	Réseau:	11
		Propriétaire:	Météo-France
Mesures effectuées:	ANEMOMETRE, BAROMETRE, CAPTEUR U, GIROUETTE, HELIOGRAPHE, OBS_HUMAIN, OBS_HUMAIN/ALTIMETRE/TELEMETRE, OBS_HUMAIN/DIFFUSO PWD11, OBS_HUMAIN/DIFFUSO/TRANSMISSO, OBS_MER_HUMAIN, OBS_NUAGE_HUMAIN, PLYUVIOMETRE, PYRANOMETRE, THERMOMETRE A +10 CM, THERMOMETRE A -10 CM, THERMOMETRE A -100 CM, THERMOMETRE A -20 CM, THERMOMETRE A +50 CM, THERMOMETRE A -50 CM, THERMOMETRE SOUS ABRI		

EMPLACEMENTS SUCCESSIFS		
Lieu dit (lambx,lamb y,altitude)	du	au
CALIFORNIE - EST DE L'AERODROME (9938 hm, 18639 hm, 3 m)	01/07/1942	27/11/1942
VILLA MIREILLE (9925 hm, 18638 hm, 3 m)	30/11/1942	04/01/1944
VILLA MASSENA (9978 hm, 18690 hm, 2 m)	05/01/1944	10/09/1944
AERODROME (9938 htm, 18639 htm, 2 m)	11/09/1944	04/11/1944
FERBER - PISTE EST (9938 htm, 18639 htm, 2 m)	05/11/1944	04/04/1946
VILLA FLORIS AERODROME (9926 htm, 18619 htm, 4 m)	05/04/1946	25/04/1957
AEROPORT (9927 htm, 18626 htm, 4 m)	26/04/1957	30/11/2006
AEROPORT (9927 htm, 18626 htm, 4 m)	01/12/2006	10/06/2008
AEROPORT (9933 htm, 18619 htm, 2 m)	11/06/2008	

ADRESSE DU POSTE	
N° et rue:	AEROPORT DE NICE COTE D'AZUR
Code postal:	06056
Commune:	NICE

CORRESPONDANT LOCAL

Station code rule :

new station code when

New city

Relocation distance > 3km or

vertical distance > 50m

(1 km et 30 m in the mountains)

Nice Airport example :6

measurement sites between 1942/07

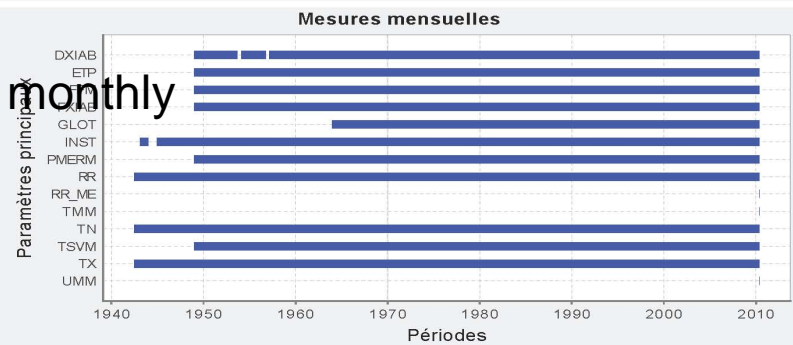
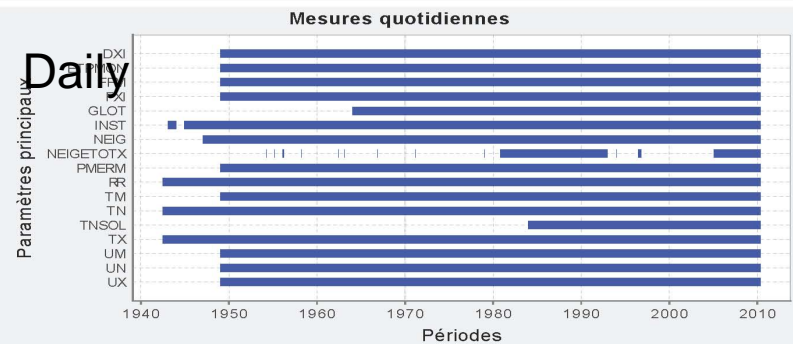
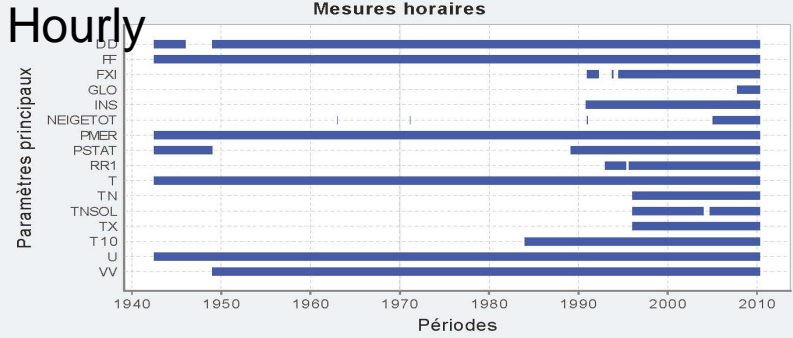
and 1946/05

Difficulties to fill the MEDARE

Web portal station history item

Inventory of Data in the database BDCLIM

Catalogue des mesures principales pour NICE (06088001)
 Ces diagrammes ne tiennent pas compte d'une absence de données inférieure à 4 mois



NICE AIRPORT opening in 1942

Subdaily since the beginning :
 Pressure, Temperature and Humidity

Hours of observation before 1949 :
 7,13, 18 UTC

Hours 1949-1997 : 6, 12, 18 UTC

Every hour since 1997

Montpellier long-term series

- MAUGUIO Montpellier Airport 3415401
 - 1949- opened
 - Synoptical and professional station
 - Windspeed reliable since 1971
 - Subdaily data from 1949 P, T, U
 - Daily data tn tx RR and Inst from 1949
- Montpellier ENSAM 1921-2008 34172001
1921-2008 : Domaine du Belair 1921-1974
ENSAM 1975-2008
Daily data tn tx and rr from 1924 to 1942

Marignane long_term series

- MARIGNANE Marseille airport 13054001
- 1920- opened
- 5 relocations between 1920 to 1945
- Hourly and daily data from 1921/01
- Observation hours : 7, 13, 18 h before 1949 and 6, 12, 18 1949-1992, every hour since 1993

- Gap 1943/07 to 1945/09

- Reliable winspeed since 1971/03



TOULOUSE long-term series

- BLAGNAC Toulouse airport 31069001 1947- opened
- Subdaily and daily data from 1947, change of hours of observations 1949, hourly data from 1993
- Reliable windpeed from 1969

- Toulouse Francazal military aerodrom 31157001 1922/06- opened
- Subdaily data P and T : 7h,3, 18 before 1949 and 6, 12, 18 after
- Gap 1943/06-1944/10

- Toulouse observatoire 31555016 1844-1984
- Subdaily data P and T 1900-1925
- Daily data tn, tx and rr 1878-1938

Perpignan long term series

	66136003 OBSERVATOIRE PERPIGNAN OBSERVATOIRE	
	Carte d'implémentation du poste	
LOCALISATION		
Département: PYRENEES-ORIENTALES(06)		
Commune: PERPIGNAN		
Lieu-dit: PERPIGNAN OBSERVATOIRE		
Lambert X: 6450 hm		
Lambert Y: 17444 hm		
Latitude: 42°42,10' Nord		
Longitude: 2°53,10' Est		
Altitude: 30 m		
Date de création: 01/01/1882		
Date de fermeture: 30/04/1932		

Perpignan observatoire 66136003
opening in 1882 closing in 1932/04

Daily Rainfall and temperature 1882 -1932/04

Subdaily Pressure and temperature
1901-1914 6, 12, 18h from BCM Annals
1920-1924 12h from departmental publication

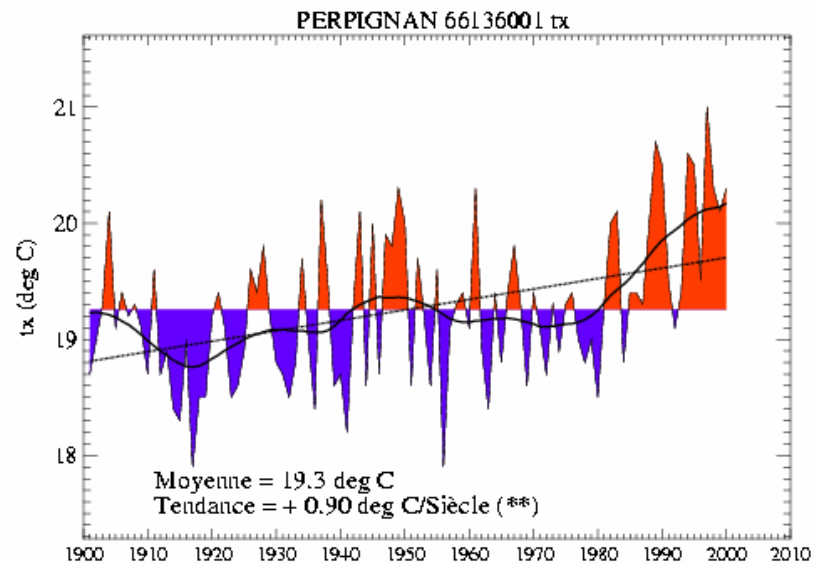
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Mesures effectuées:				
EMPLACEMENTS SUCCESSIFS				
Lieu dit (lambx.lamby.altitude)		du	au	
PERPIGNAN OBSERVATOIRE (6450 hm,17444 hm,30 m)		01/01/1882	30/04/1932	
ADRESSE DU POSTE				
N° et rue:				
Code postal:		Commune:	PERPIGNAN	
CORRESPONDANT LOCAL				
Nom:				
Téléphone:		Courriel:		

Perpignan aéroport 66136001
opening in 1924

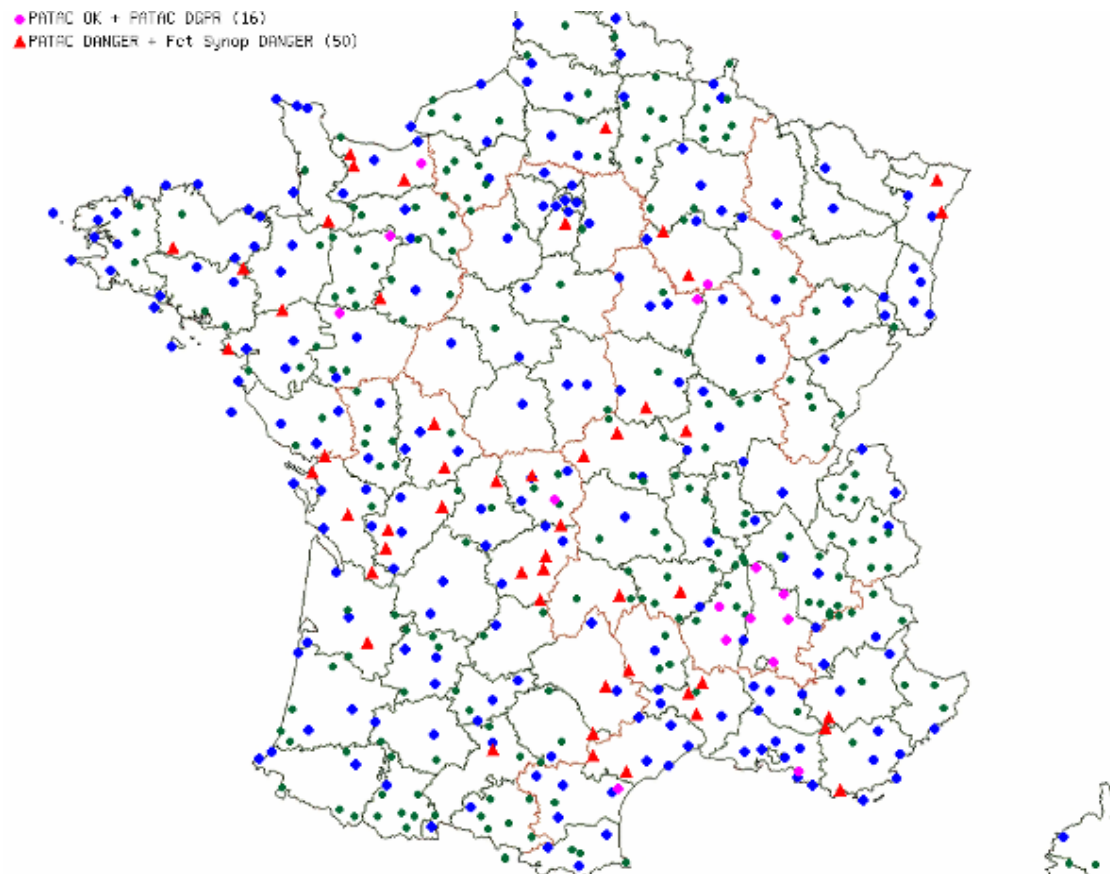
Subdaily pressure and temperature since 1949
Daily data since 1924

Monthly homogenized Temperature series

- 1901-2000 Period :
70 homogenized series
 - Montpellier
 - Marignane
 - Toulouse
 - Perpignan
- 1959 to today
homogenization in
process for 200 french
stations (regional scale)



Long-term series in danger



Daily Temperature long-term series (> 50 ans)
494 stations, half of them is in danger