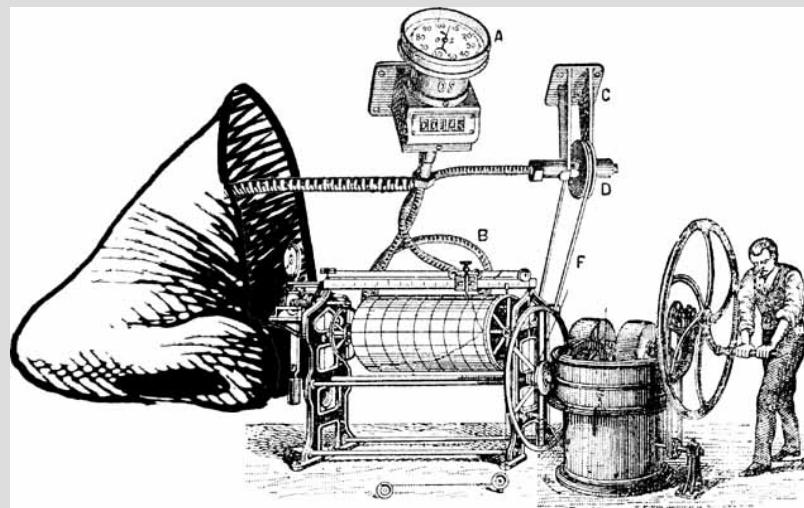
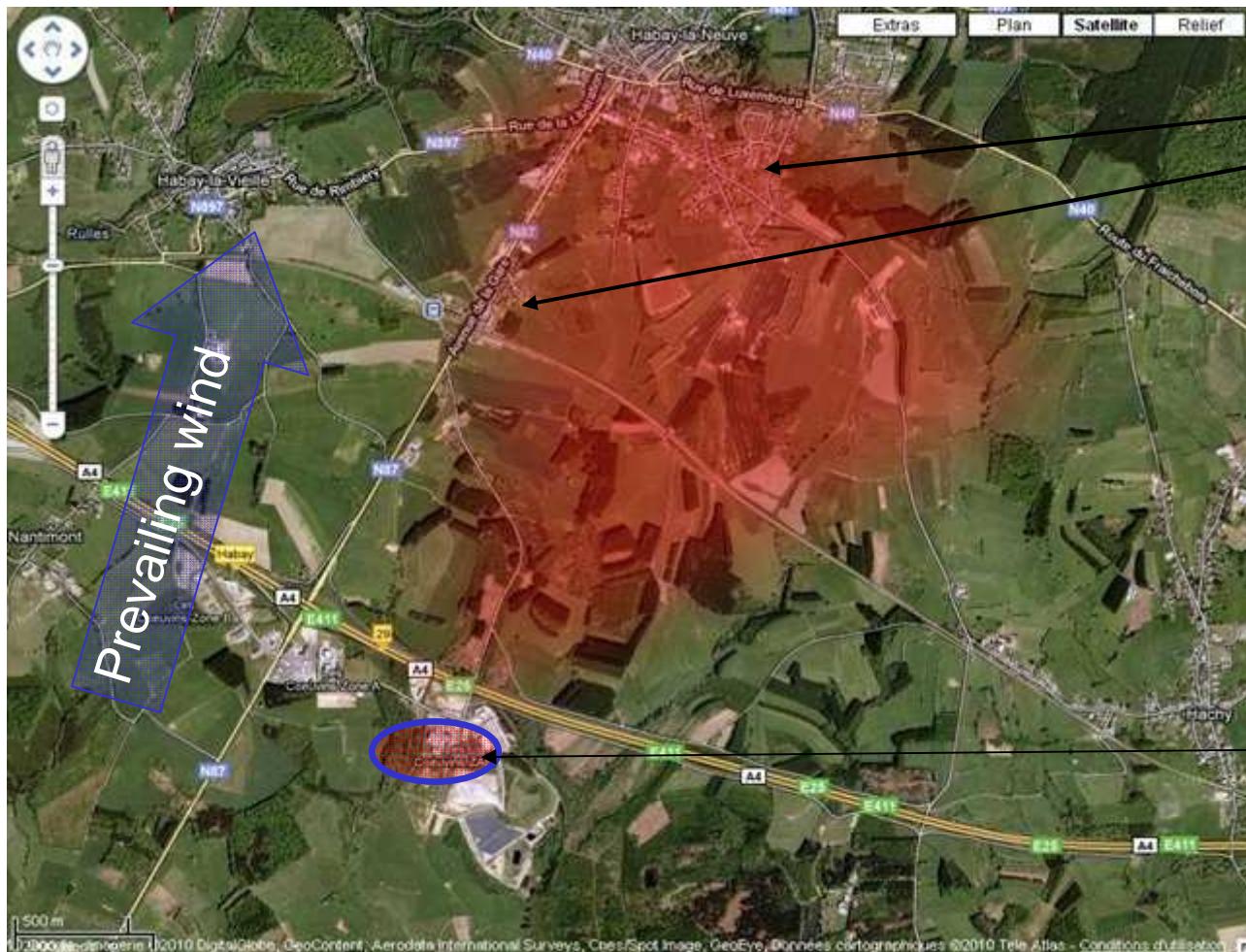


E-nose development to predict odour annoyance in a receptor site



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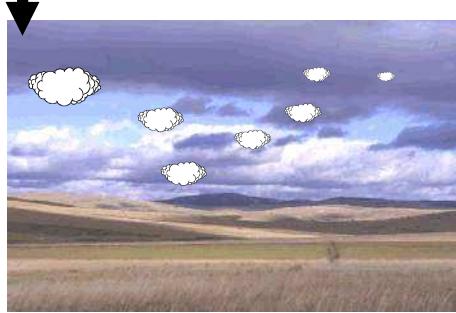


Pollution



Generation of gaseous mixture gazeux

odour emission



Transport & dispersion

Chemical evolution: nature and concentration



Exposition

Annoyance



complaint



annoyance

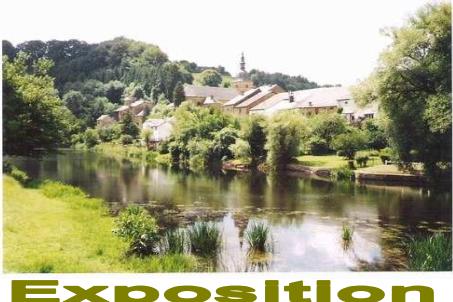


Detection & perception



incomfort

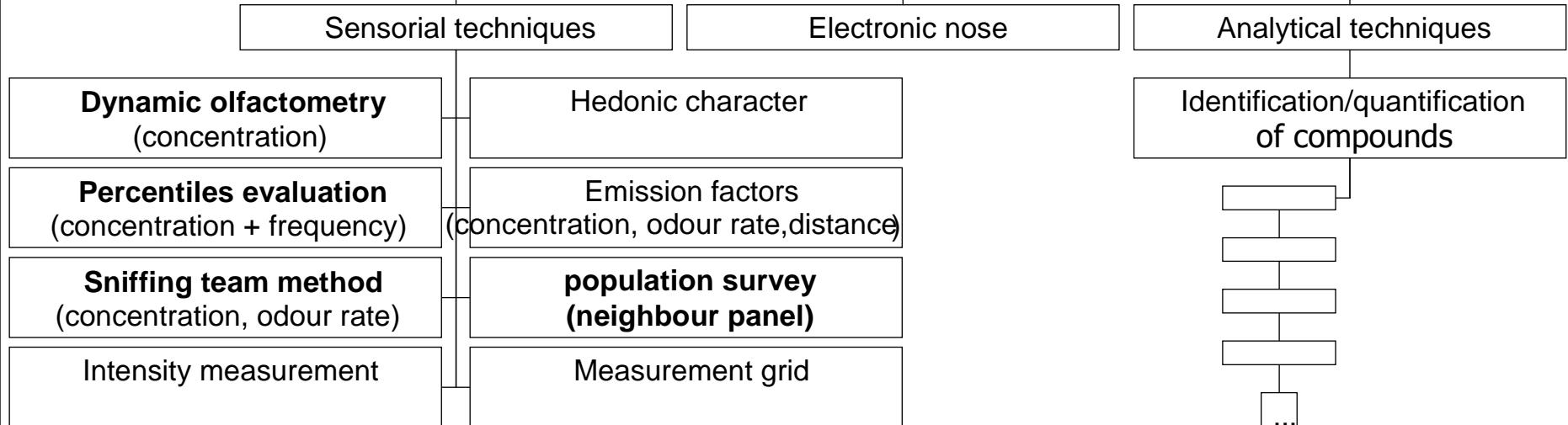
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Exposition

Olfactory pollution metrology

Sampling



1 – Intro

Sensorial

Chemical

E-nose

Complementary techniques

For instance

Prediction of odour taking into account the chemical composition! BE CAREFUL
correlation « chemical composition – odour » is not a straight-line!

odour Mixture \neq sum of single odorant

There are **Synergy and Inhibition** interactions between molecules

For odour perception,

$$1 + 2 = 4$$

$$1 + 2 = 2$$

and

$$1+2 \neq 3$$



Chemical analysis alone
insufficient to evaluate odour

2 – E-nose: environmental application “odour”

Presentation



= Array of chemical sensors with overlapping sensitivities

+

Pattern recognition techniques

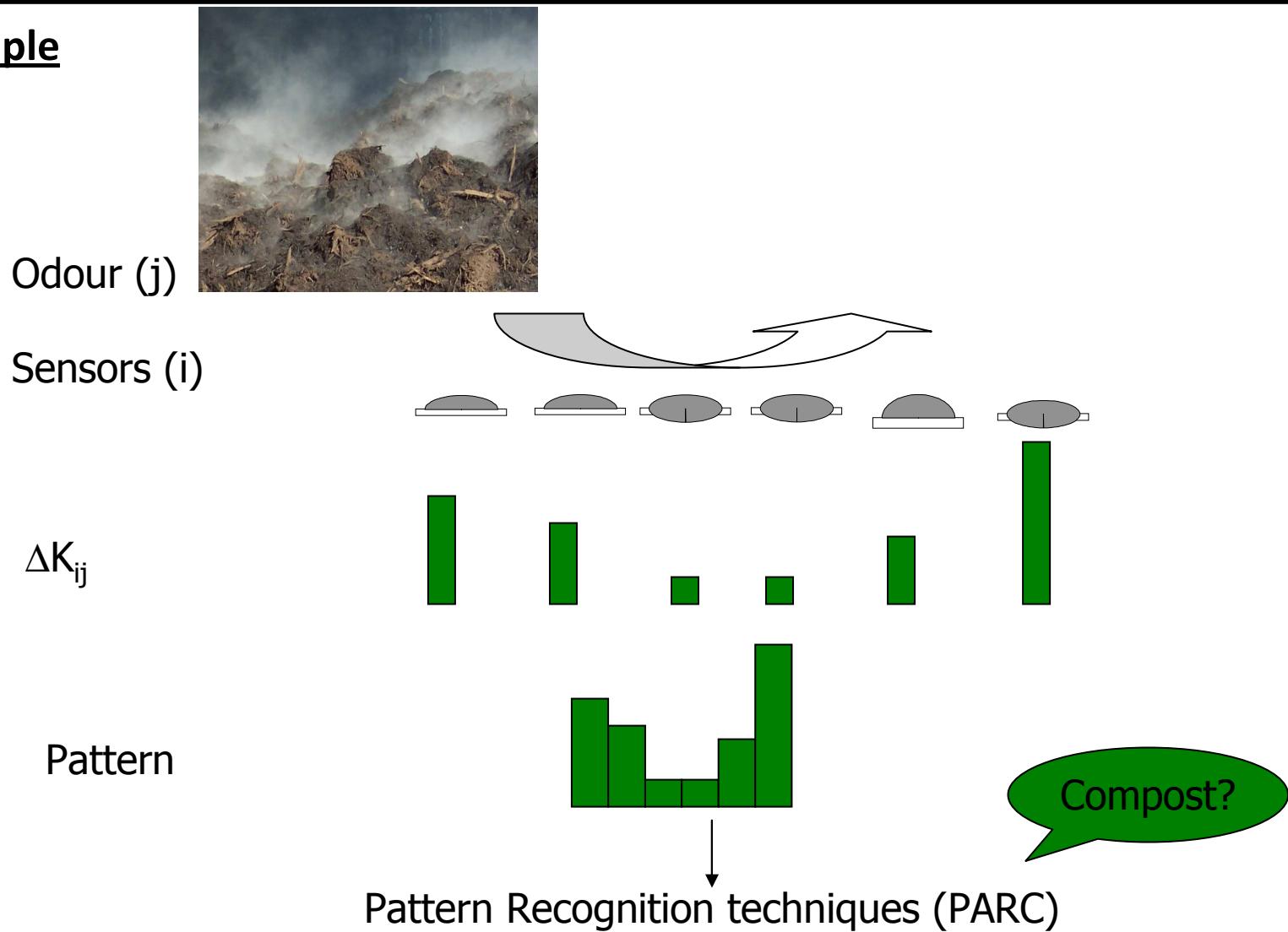
→ Able to detect and recognise single or complex gaseous mixture (for instance odour one)

Device includes three major parts:

- *Sample delivery system* (pump, mass flow meter, filter, “pre-concentration”,
- *Detection system*: reactive part of the device sensor array
 - different kind of chemical sensors (often metal oxide sensors): each are sensitive to volatile compounds but with their own selectivity
 - H_r and T sensors
- *Computing part*: data treatment, control system

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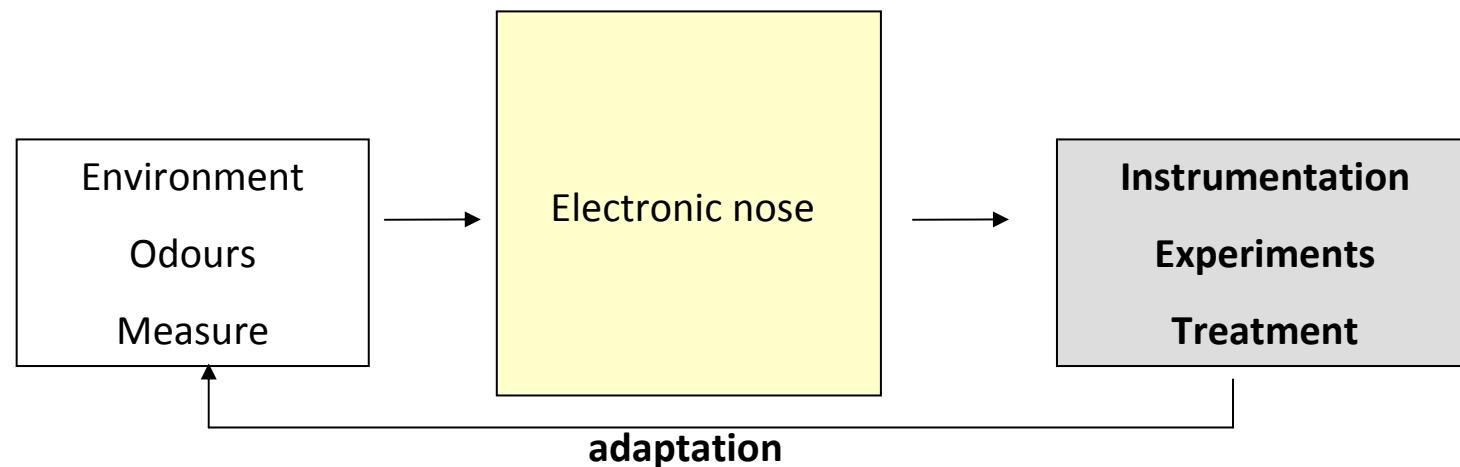
Principle



3 – e-nose to predict annoyance

Our « philosophy»

Development of the “e-nose” instrument considering the application

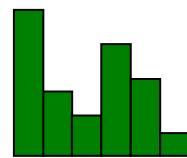


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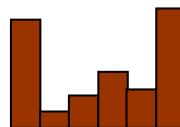
To identify a mixture: LEARNING phase of the various patterns (database development)

*the input signals are put in relationship with the odour sources,
and the membership in a specific group is known*

Field sampling→lab measurement



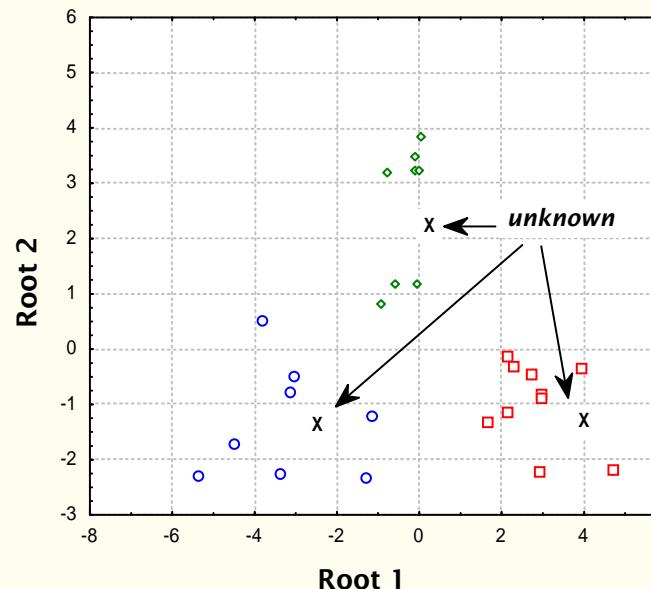
=compost



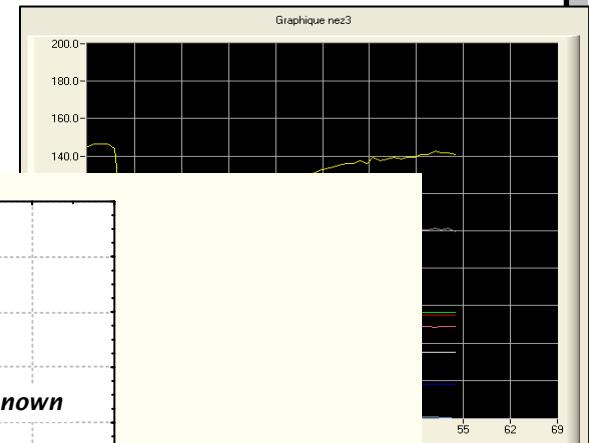
=fresh organic waste



=biogas



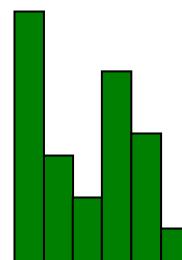
○ Landfill
□ Waste water
◆ Manure



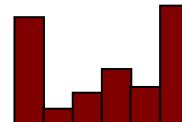
Or Field measurement

2 – E-nose: environmental application “odour”

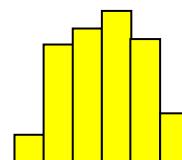
To quantify the odour (like a calibration)



=compost
500000 uo/m³

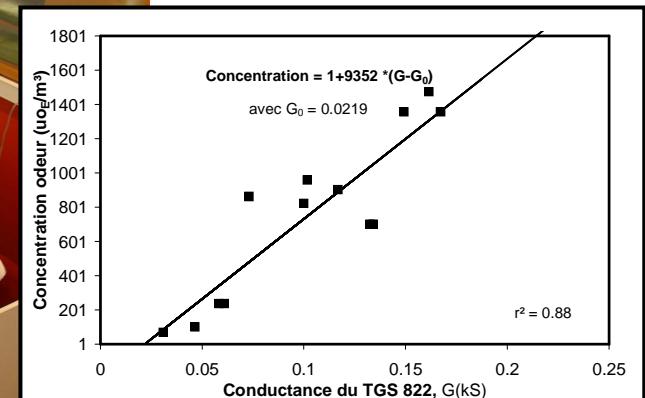


=fresh organic waste
3000 uo/m³



=biogas
10000 uo/m³

Field sampling-lab measurement:
olfactometry + sensors array: regression models (PLS)



Or

Field measurement:
sniffing team + dispersion models:
correlation with field e-nose



2 – E-nose: environmental application “odour”

Some data treatment tools

- Multivariate techniques (PARC)

Supervised or not

Linear : PCA LDA MLR PLS (rarely no linear techniques-ANN-)

Simple Bayes classifiers (Mahalanobis LDA)

- Univariate techniques

Linear regression

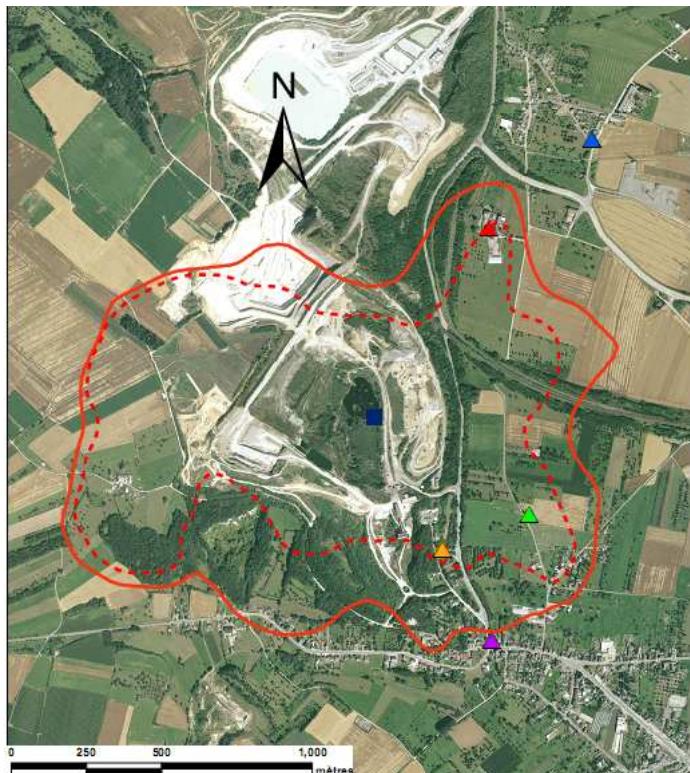
Simple algorithms (multiplicative or additive)

Statistic (i.e. : threshold evaluation)

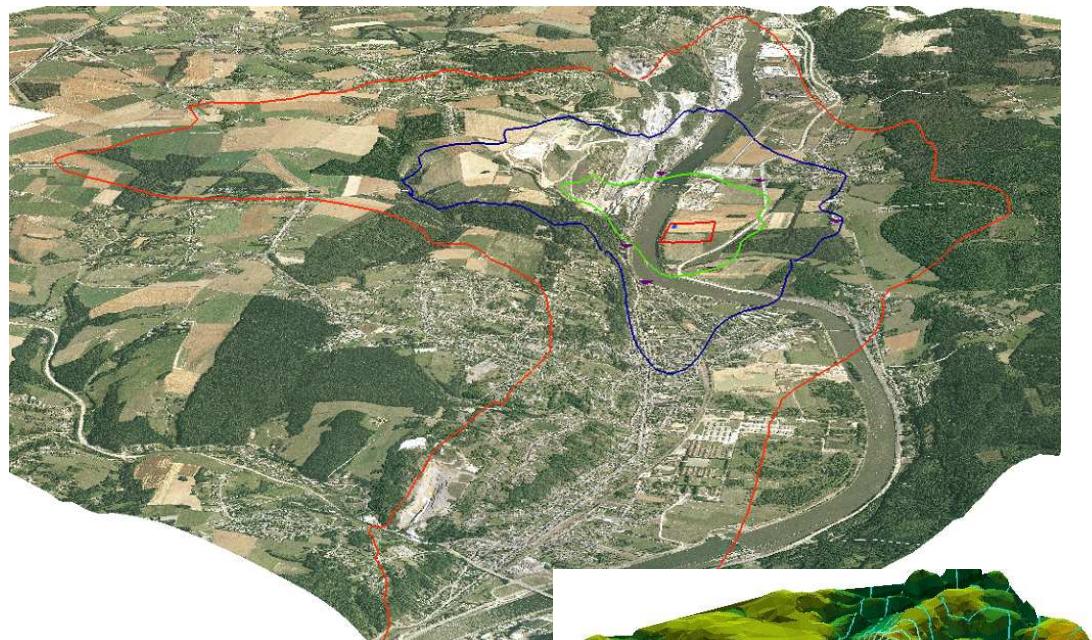
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Some data treatment tools

Modelling 2D



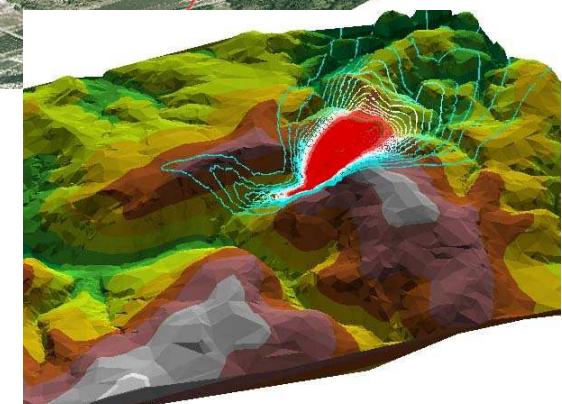
Modelling 3D



Percentiles: C98(1 hour): 1 ou/m³ delimits an ellipse

outside: below 1 ou during **more than 98%** of the time

inside: below 1 ou during **less than 98%** of the time



2 – E-nose: environmental application “odour”

E-nose in comparison to usual approaches

÷ **sensorial approaches**

«Objectivity »

No need of human presence

- + Continuous measurement (night) :
 - Variation detection
 - Recording and archiving
 - Real time, ...

- response to chemical composition
(odorant and non odorant compounds)

- correlation with sensorial techniques
- external variables influence

-detection limit of metal oxide sensors in the field
around 200 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (higher than human detection)

÷ **chemical techniques**

Global measurement

Chemical composition \neq Odour

Continuous measurement

- no specific to compounds

-Weaker accuracy

- no chemical analyses

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3 – E-nose to predict annoyance

Challenge

Our research team considers:

- **FIDOR (integrating index)**
 - **Frequency**: + F is elevated, more it is painful
 - **Intensity**≈ odour concentration
 - **Duration**: continuous period of odour perception
 - **Offensiveness**≈ odour description (compost, biogas,...)
 - **Receptor**: location (wind direction, residential or industrial ...)
- **odour perception in the neighbouring**
 - **dispersion models** (weather conditions and topographic elements)
 - **validation by sniffing team and/or local resident survey**

3 – E-nose to predict annoyance

Our last instrument: FIDOR*

Algorithms developed to estimate olfactory annoyance by odour measurement

Estimation of FIDOR index: **Frequency**

Intensity

Duration

Offensiveness

Receptor



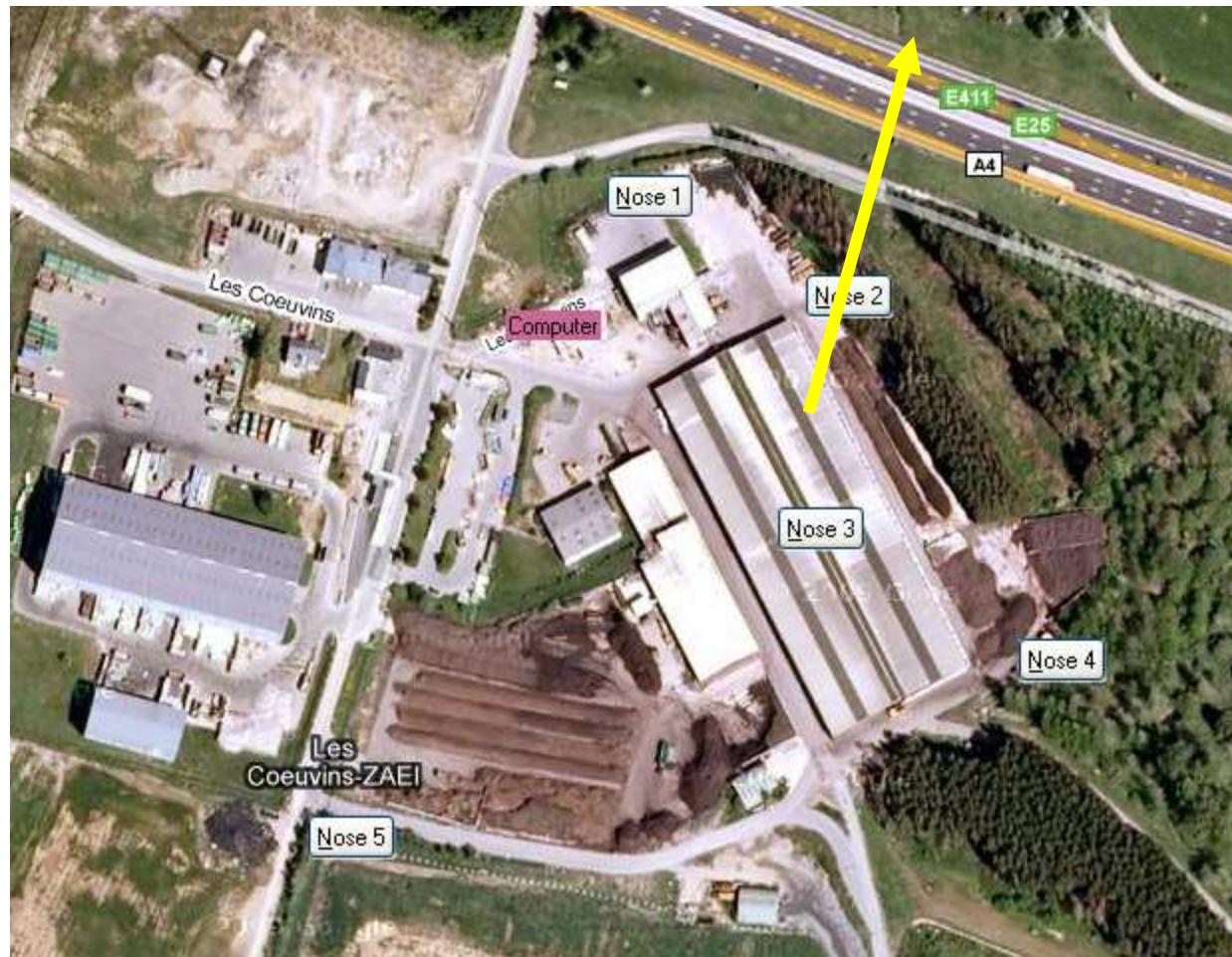
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License to Odometric

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In use, on a landfill site since spring 2009

Network of 5 e-noses on the site

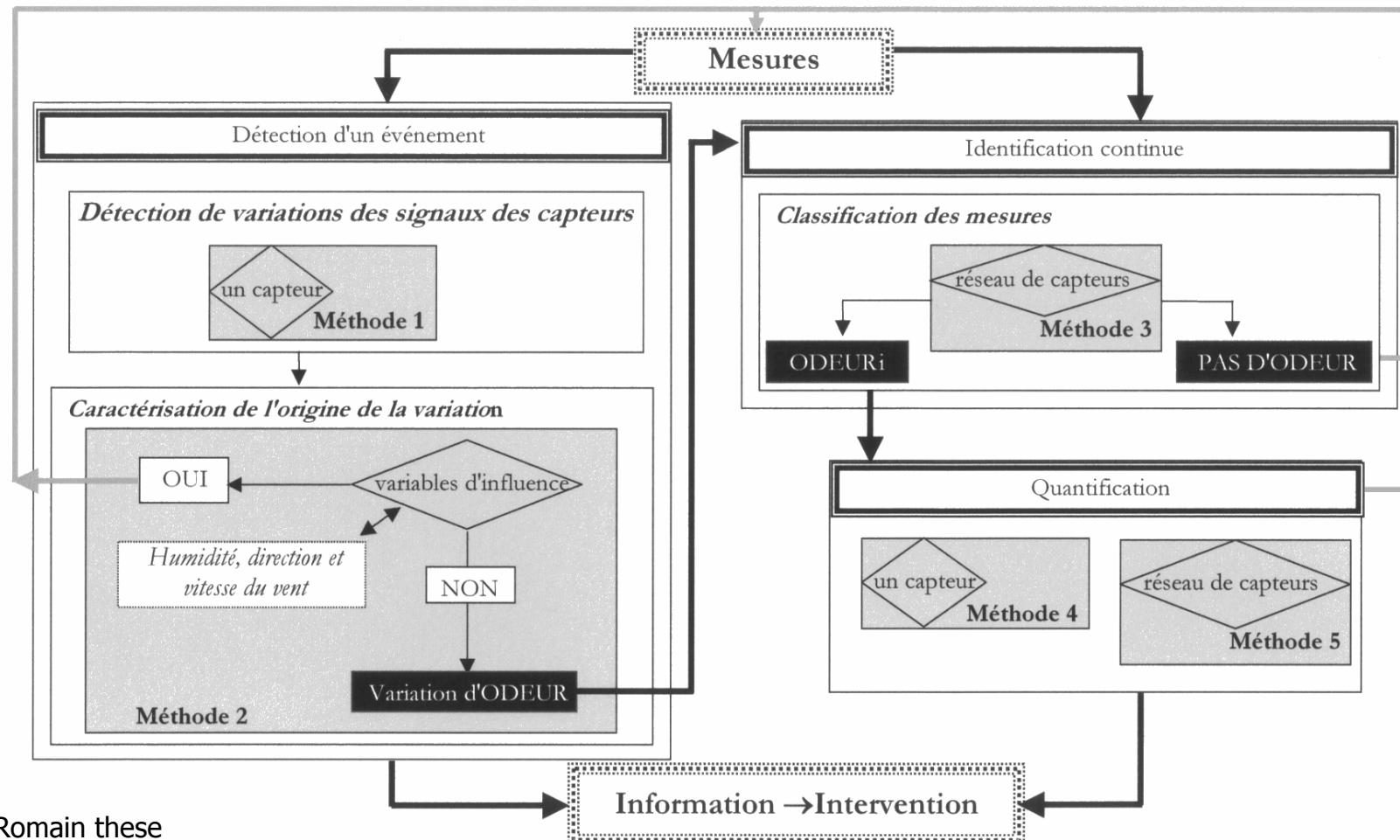


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Algorithm FIDOR*:

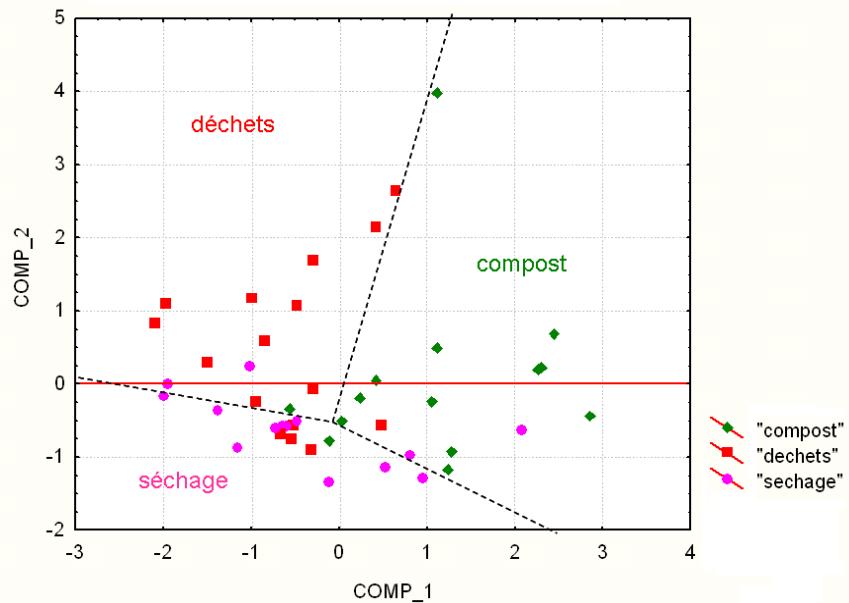


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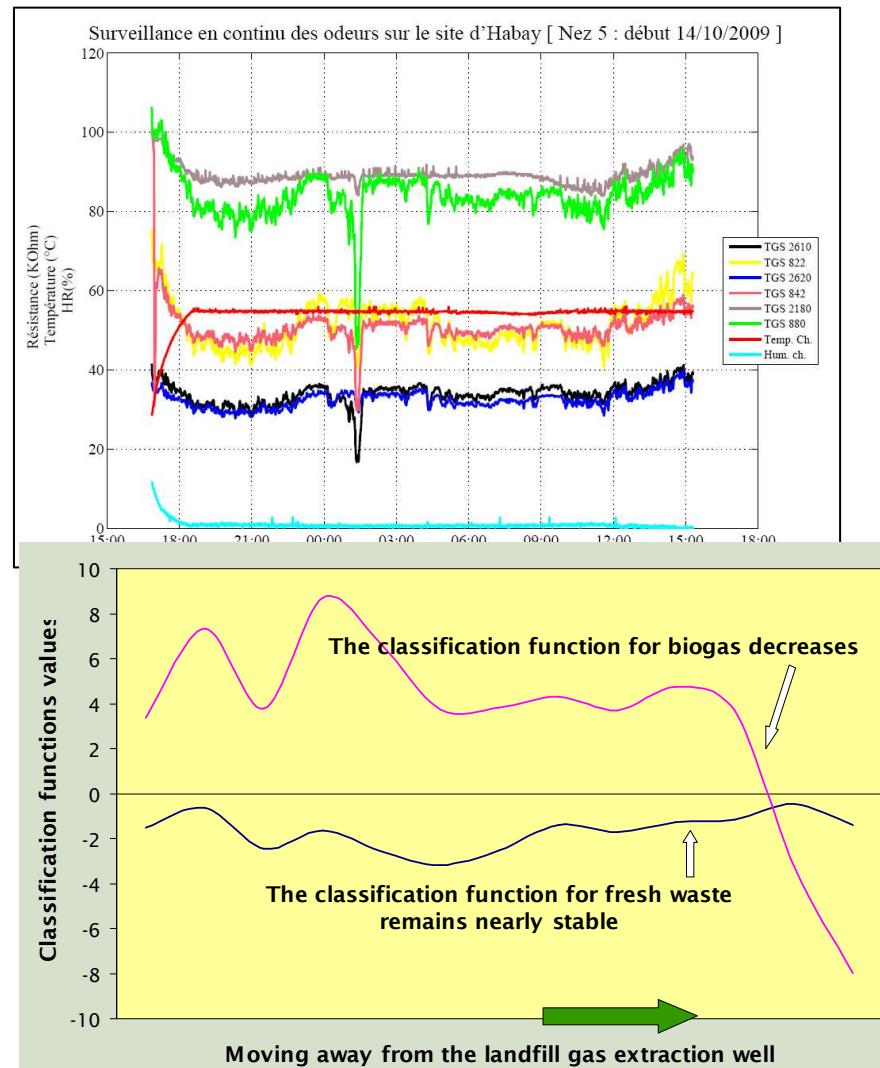
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FIDOR



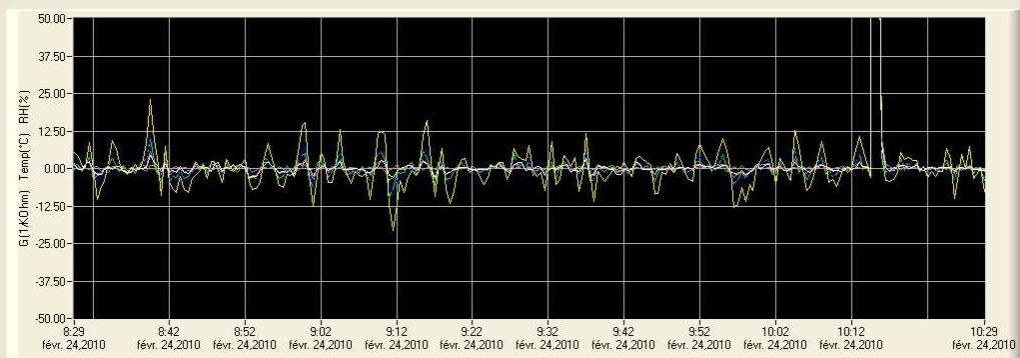
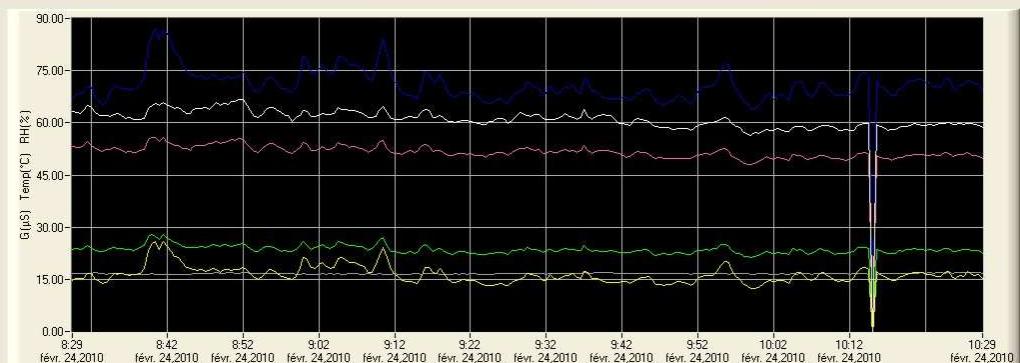
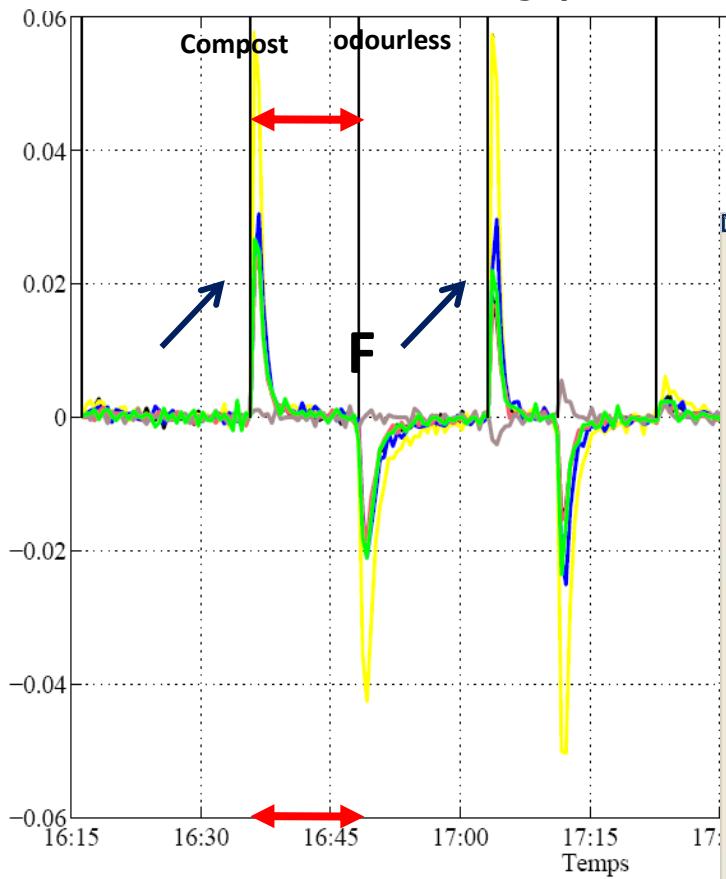
Continuous monitoring



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FIDOR

Odour monitoring (30/06/2009) Nose 1



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General analysis

Temperature (°C) Wind Speed (m/s)

3.2

2.4

R. Hum. (%)

86

Wind Direction

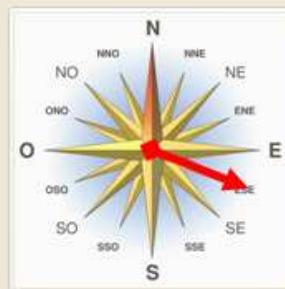
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Barometer (hPa)

1013

Distance (m) and direction of the odor'smelling.

333



Mean wind Speed (m/s)

2.0

Absolute Humidity (g/m³)

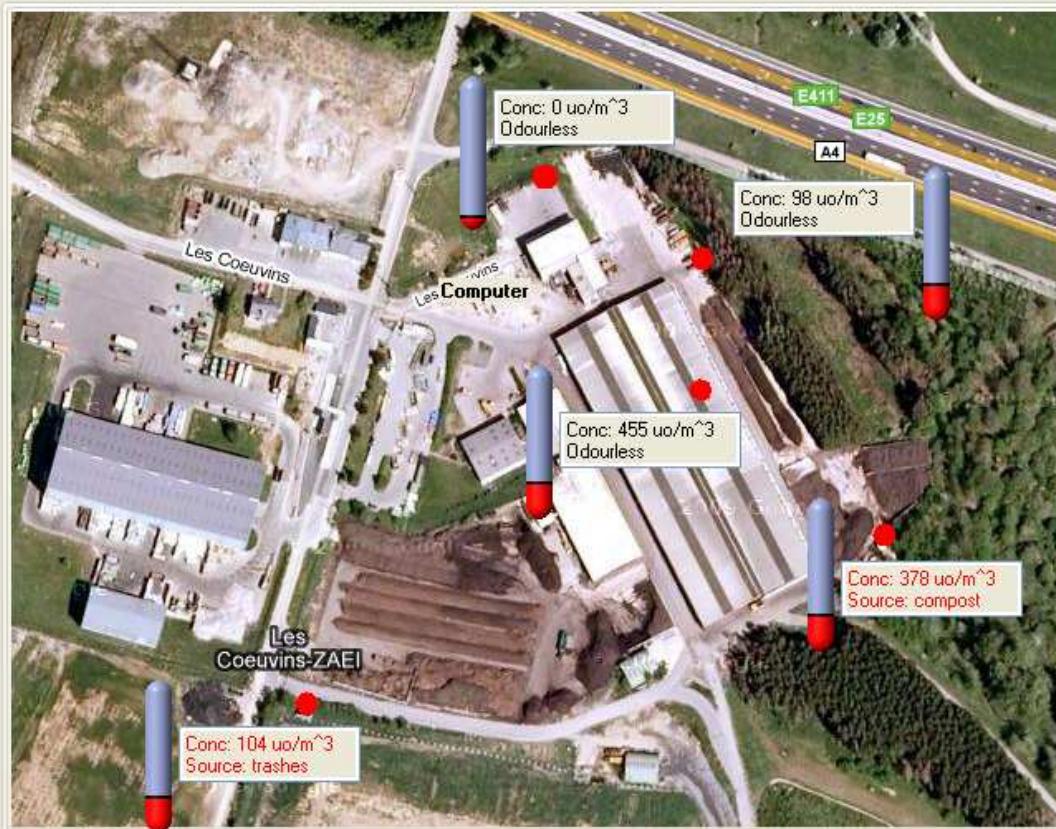
4.1

Solar radiation (W/m²)

631

Unstable

02-11-2010 11:00 : Nose 2 : Signal decreasing.
02-11-2010 11:00 : Nose 3 : Signal decreasing.
02-11-2010 11:00 : Nose 5 : Signal increasing.
02-11-2010 11:01 : Nose 1 : Signal decreasing.
02-11-2010 11:01 : Nose 4 : Signal increasing.
02-11-2010 11:01 : Nose 5 : Signal decreasing.
02-11-2010 11:02 : Nose 1 : Signal increasing.
02-11-2010 11:02 : Nose 2 : Signal increasing.
02-11-2010 11:02 : Nose 3 : Signal increasing.



Number of events
the last six hours

| Nose 1 | Nose 2 | Nose 3 | Nose 4 | Nose 5 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

3 – E-nose to predict annoyance

F I D O **R**

To predict in real time odour exposition and annoyance, R is fundamental

relationship between:

- **measurement of odour on the site, by an array of e-noses**
- **exposition**

→ distance of perception thanks to dispersion models (input data=odour rate, ou/s??)

At present,

search the best models between e-noses signals and odour concentration in the neighbourhood

1. Local resident survey
2. A nose at the periphery of the site + a portable nose
3. Sniffing team

Optimisation of quantification and identification models

Validation step

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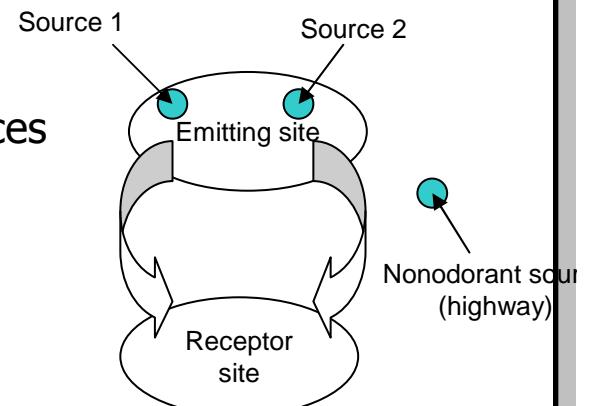
F I D O R



4 – Conclusions

E-nose to predict annoyance: Under development

- Improvement of the FIDOR located in the receptor site (first results under interpretation-with wind direction, other pollution sources): “Odometric”
- Understanding the relationships chemical composition-odour to improve e-nose models development
- These in progress to study the ability to discriminate two sources
- Local resident survey: “Odometric”
- Improvement of learning phase (ie. odour samples collected in the surroundings and not on the sources)
- ...



4 – Conclusions

Applications

- Controlling a processing system or sampling
- odour-causing process control
- Information: authorities, resident, industrial
 - real time+archiving
- real time estimation of immission in the vicinity
- check of efficacy of new processes
- assist in correct application of regulation:
ie « objectivity » of the complaints, monitoring of fluctuating emissions



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