OpenMI goes Linux

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Numerical Models at BAW-DH

- > UnTRIM: 2D and 3D finite difference method for unstructured orthogonal grids
- SediMorph: morphodynamic model which simulates the physical processes in the soil
- Delft3D : integrated modelling system Delft3D

on Windows PCs

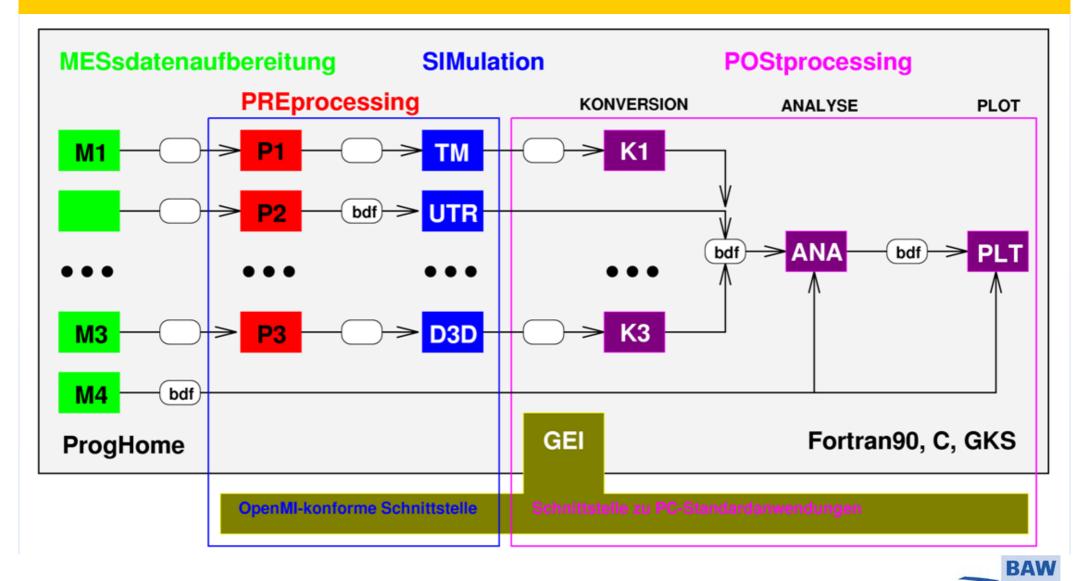
- MIKE-11: 1D (cross-sectionally averaged) finite difference model
- TELEMAC-2D : 2D (depth averaged) finite element model
- > TELEMAC-3D : 3D (depth averaged) finite element model
- SWAN: third-generation spectral wave model (Delft University of Technology)
- K-Model: a spectral wave model for unstructured orthogonal grids
- > TRIM-2D: two-dimensional (depth averaged) finite difference model
- > TRIM-3D: 3D finite difference model using the non-hydrostatic pressure

the majority of models runs on Unix / Linux systems



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Workflow at BAW-DH





Model Hardware

Computer	CPU	OS	Comment
5 PCs	Dual Core	Windows	Reserved for Delft3D
SGI Altix 3700	Intel Itanium	64bit Linux (SLES 9 SP3)	Shared memory
SGI Altix XE 1300	66 * 2 Intel Xeon Quad Core	64 bit Suse Linux (SLES 10)	Cluster
Linux Workstation	Xeon Dual Core	32 / 64 Suse Linux (SLED10)	Test system for OpenMI



Motivation for Linux / Mono

- ➤ Linux is a precondition for access to more numerical models.
- ➤ Especially at BAW: models on Linux systems run with a higher performance.
- Mono enables the user to run .NET on Linux, MacOS and even Microsoft Windows systems.
- Mono seems to be a mature project with an ongoing development.
- Linux and Mono are open source.

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Installed Tools on Linux WS*

- * Workstation with SLED 10 and 64 bit support
- ➤ Mono 1.0
- ➤ Mono 2.0
- ➤ NUnit Console 1.0
- ➤ NUnit Console 2.0
- ➤ (NUnit GUI is missing)
- (the IDE MonoDevelop is missing)



OpenMI goes Linux – Todo List 1

- > selection of a Mono Compiler and a NUnit version
- which OpenMI version is suitable for Mono?
- compilation of GUI-less OpenMI-DLLs
- compilation of GEIWrapper (WLDelft Wrapper?)
- > compilation of OpenMI-DLLs with GUIs
- > test of the C#-part with NUnit
- > generation of Fortran shared libraries, e.g. gei.xe.sl
- test of the gei.xe.sl
- test of a WLDelft Wrapper GEIWrapper composition



OpenMI goes Linux – Todo List 2

If the tests are successful, the Mono specific code will have to be integrated into the OpenMI main line.

"There are several approaches to porting code, depending on your goals:

- ➤ The unsupported code can simply be removed or commented out if it is not needed.
- Compiler conditional directives (#if) can be used to create separate executables for .Net and Mono.
- > The runtime (.Net or Mono) can be detected and use different code.
- The code can be rewritten to use supported methods in Mono."

from http://www.mono-project.com/Guide:_Porting_Winforms_Applications



Resumee

- "OpenMI goes Linux" is feasible
- project has started yesterday
- BAW needs another LC in order to run complete compositions

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hopefully small step for the developer

