

AVIATION NOWCASTING

AT PULKOVO AIRPORT - LED (ST.PETERSBURG)
IN THE FRAMEWORKS OF AvRDP



World Meteorological
Organisation



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- **Pulkovo airport (St. Petersburg) - LED/ULLI**
- **Is one of the busiest airports in the Russian Federation**
- **150 000 flights / 16 M passengers (in 2017)**
- **Transitional zone from Sea Climate to Continental Climate**
- **Low visibility (including fogs) and ceiling are the main weather impacts on air traffic**

OBJECTIVES

(1st stage – since Feb 2018)

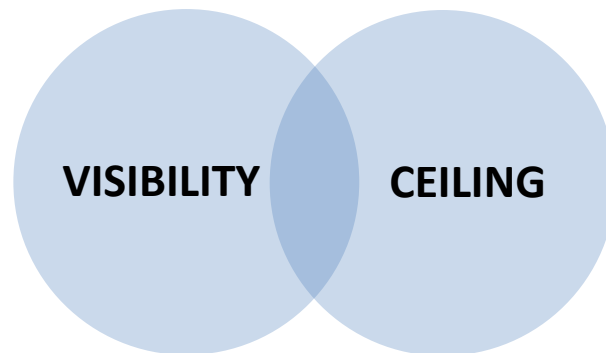
To generate 0-4 hours nowcasts

To deliver nowcasts in real time

To improve forecasts accuracy
at aerodrome

To assess benefits of forecast
improvement (verification)

According to climatic data, periods of reduced visibility combined with low ceiling are the most frequent high impact phenomena at LED within a year, while the convective phenomena are seasonal and rather rare phenomena. Fog and low ceiling significantly affect the work of aviation and flight safety.



DATA SOURCE

AWOS «KRAMS-4»

Aviation weather observation station (AWOS, every 1 min) - 6 visibility sensors and 4 ceiling sensors, obtained with the help of the automated meteorological measuring system KRAMS-4

Temperature profiler MTP-5

Temperature profiler MTP-5 (every 5 min).

AMDAR

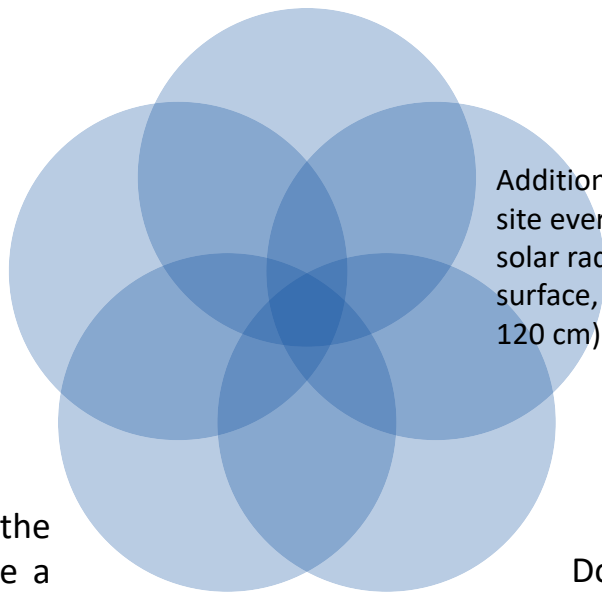
Atmosphere sounding data (by the aerological station Voeikovo, twice a day) and AMDAR (if available);

AMS «Saima»

Additional sensors of the AWS Saima installed on the MET site every 10 min (pyranometers for measuring the flux of solar radiation and thermal radiation from the underlying surface, the surface and the soil temperature at a depth of 120 cm)

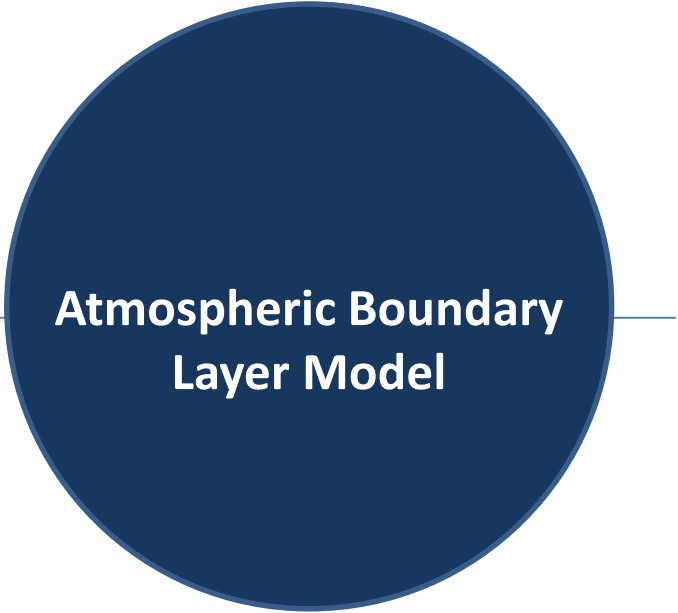
RADAR

Doppler radar data and DMRL / MRL of Roshydromet network (every 10 min)



NWP model

It is 1-D model, based on the hydrodynamics prognostic equations system of horizontally homogeneous boundary layer of the atmosphere



Atmospheric Boundary Layer Model

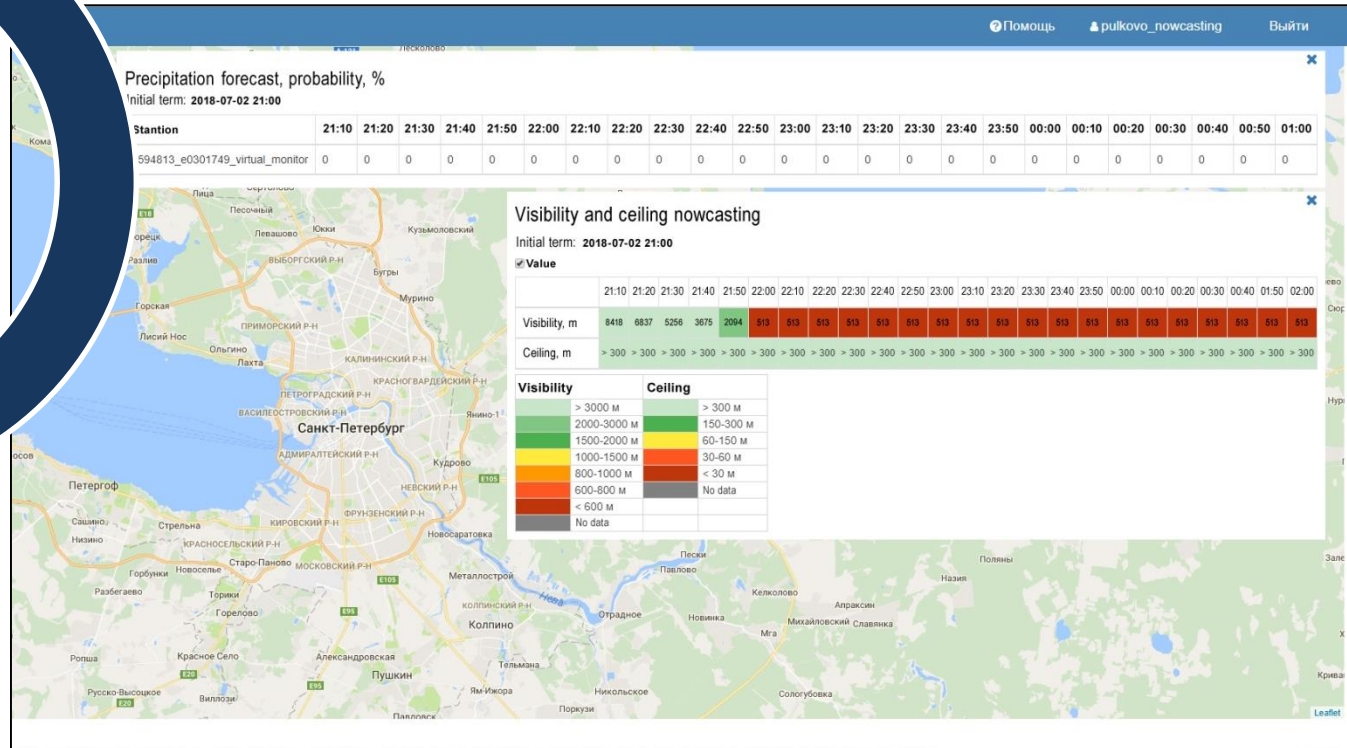
Satisfies the requirements for models for operational use: sufficient accuracy, stability and economy in calculations

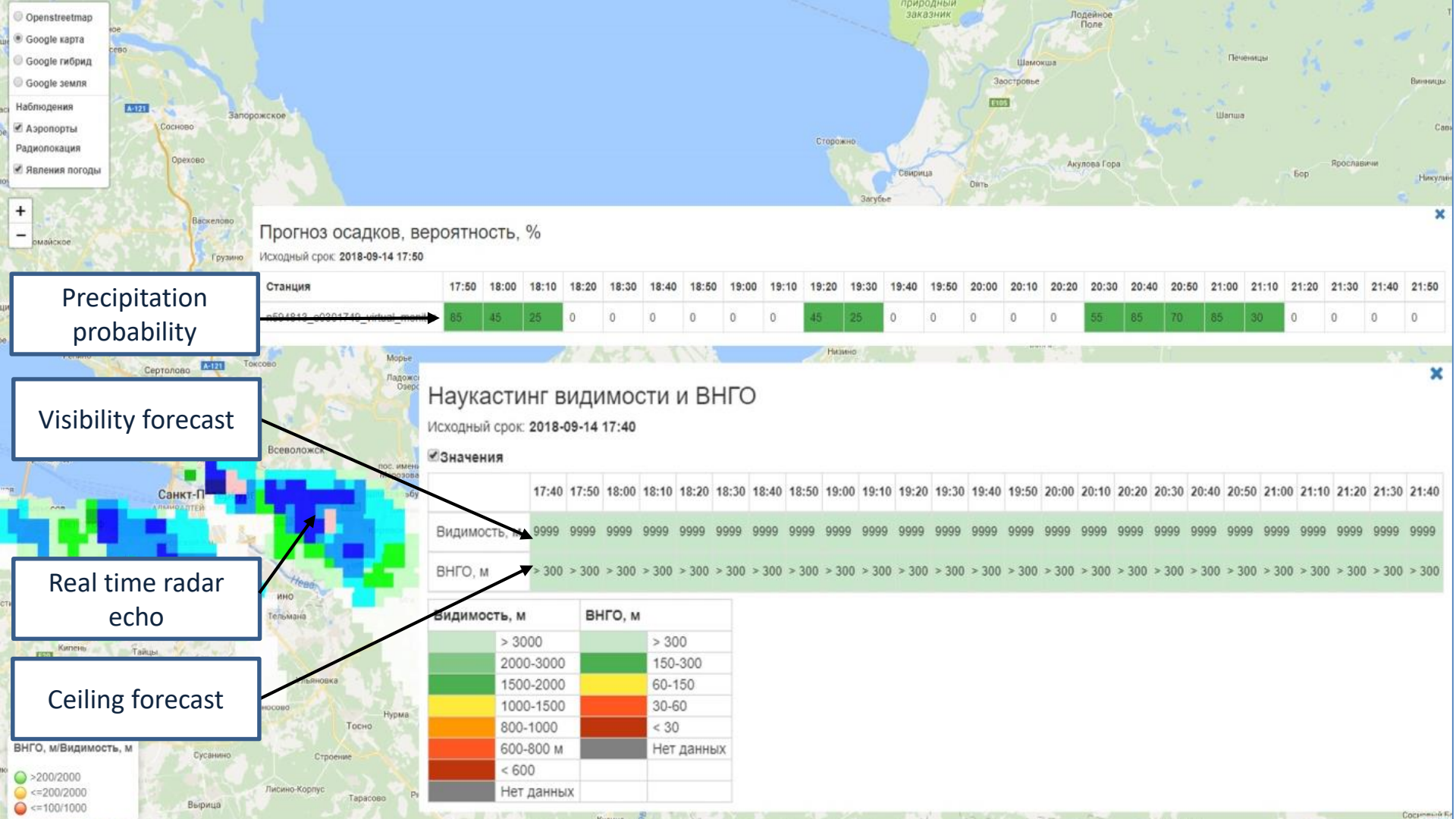
- The model description is presented in the publication: T. A. Bazlova, N. V. Bocharnikov. *Verification of the MeteoExpert Nowcasts. Universal Journal of Geoscience* 2017, Vol. 5 (1), pp. 1 - 9, DOI: 10.13189 / ujg.2017.050101 and others
- Results of the nowcasting model usage were presented at conferences and meetings: 1st European Nowcasting Conference (ENC2014), EMS-ECAM-2015, ICAO METG PT EAST-2014, 2015, WMO CAeM-ET-CCP-1, WMO AMSC-2017 and others..

Nowcasting issuing and visualization

Validity range: 4h
Refresh rate: 10min

Nowcasting visualization
in a categorical tabular
format on a WEB (4D
METEO CUBE)





Precipitation
probability

Visibility forecast

Real time radar
echo

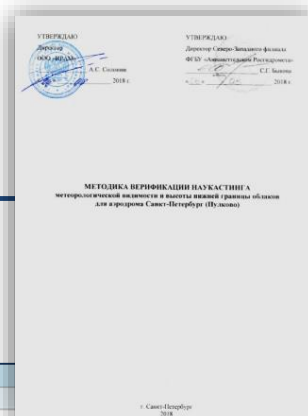
Ceiling forecast

Verification

Verification scheme is customer-oriented and takes into account thresholds that are relevant to different users (meteorological and aviation) and in compliance with forecasts accuracy desirable in terms of operation (ICAO Annex 3, Attachment B — “Operationally Desirable Accuracy of Forecasts”)

Visibility: ± 200 m up to 800 m and $\pm 30\%$ between 800 m and 3000 m

Ceiling : ± 30 m up to 300 m



Verification is

- developed and put into force in September 2018
- conducted on the WEB site

Метеоэксперт: верификация прогнозов

n594813_e0301749

Видимость: 3000m

01.06.2018

31.08.2018

Считать

Счетчик: 1018

Станция	Параметр	a	b	c	d	n	PC(%)	PC+(%)	PC-(%)	P+(%)	P-(%)
n594813_e0301749	Видимость: 3000m	1167	33632	569	271267	306635	89	3	100	67	89

Условные обозначения

a

число случаев, когда явление прогнозировалось и наблюдалось

b

число случаев, когда явление прогнозировалось, но не наблюдалось

c

число случаев, когда явление не прогнозировалось, но наблюдалось

d

число случаев, когда явление не прогнозировалось и не наблюдалось

n = a+b+c+d

общее число прогнозов за заданный период

PC = (a+d)*100/n

оправдываемость прогнозов

PC+ = a*100/(a+b)

оправдываемость прогнозов наличия явления

PC- = d*100/(c+d)

оправдываемость прогнозов отсутствия явления

P+ = a*100/(a+c)

предупредительность прогнозов наличия явления

P- = d*100/(b+d)

предупредительность прогнозов отсутствия явления

Станция	Параметр	H	F	FAR	Miss	ORSS	EDI	SEDI	p(e)	prec_fcst(мин)	lead_time(мин)
n594813_e0301749	Видимость: 3000m	0.67	0.11	0.97	0.0	0.89	0.69	0.73	0.01	149	181

Условные обозначения

H = a/(a+c)

коэффициент попаданий

F = b/(b+d)

коэффициент ложных тревог

FAR = b/(a+b)

отношение ложных тревог

Miss = c/(c+d)

коэффициент пропусков

ORSS = (a*d-b*c)/(a*d+b*c)

показатель Юли

EDI = (log(F)+log(H)) / (log(F)+log(H))

показатель EDI

SEDI = (log(F)+log(H)-log(1-F)+log(1-H)) / (log(F)+log(H)+log(1-F)+log(1-H))

показатель SEDI

p(e) = (a+c)/n

вероятность явления (видимость ниже порогового значения)

prec_fcst

точность прогноза времени начала ухудшения видимости ниже порогового значения

lead_time

заблаговременность прогноза ухудшения видимости ниже порогового значения

Интервал значений

Идеальное значение

[0, 1]

1

[0, 1]

0

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0

[0, 1]

0

[-1, 1]

1 (если b=0 и c=0)

[-1, 1]

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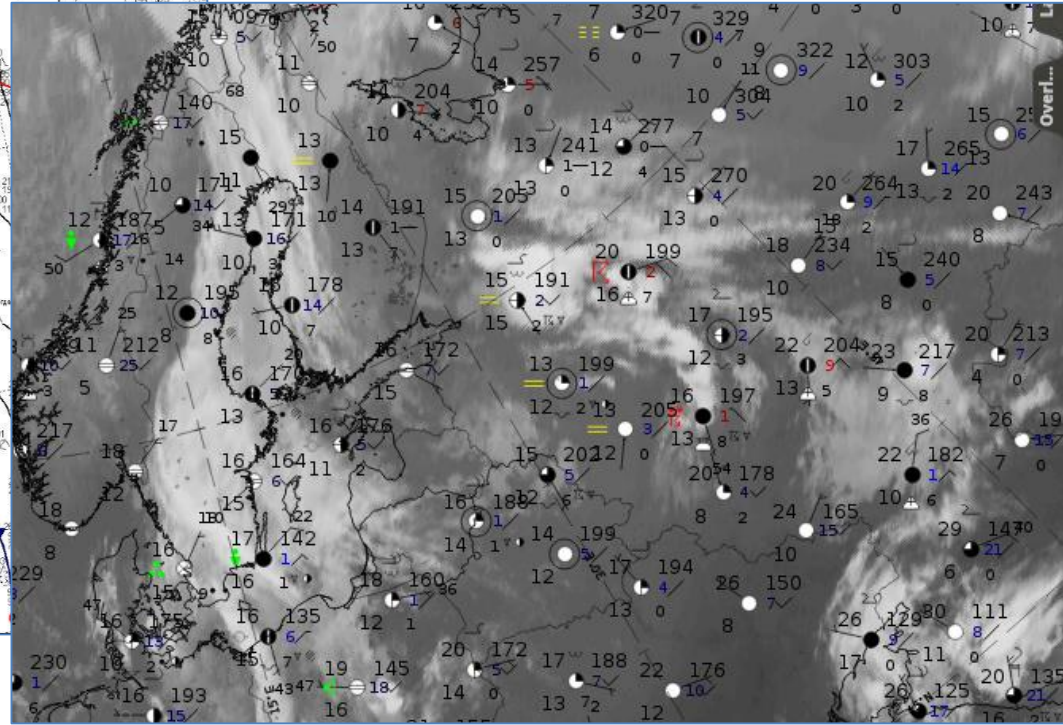
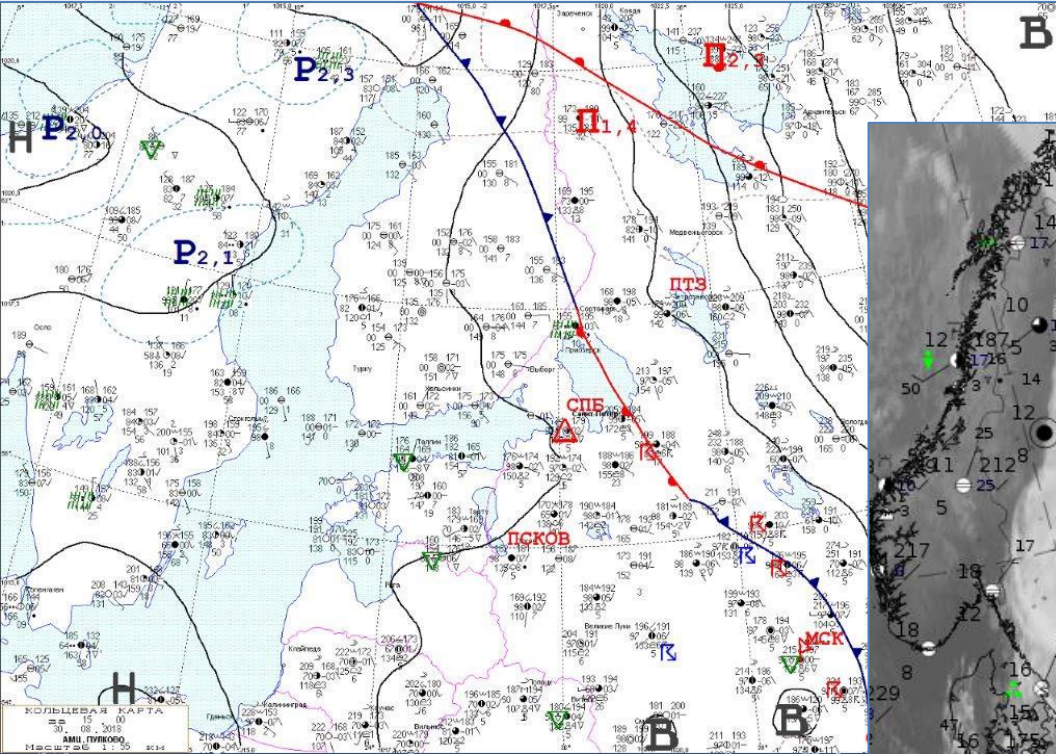
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Case study

August 30th : FG 0500m from 19:08 UTC





NOWCASTING

16:20 UTC
Forecast of fog
from 18:20
VIS = 723m

elaboration

18:00 UTC
Nowcasting had
adjusted the
forecast.
Forecast of fog
from 19:00
VIS = 529m

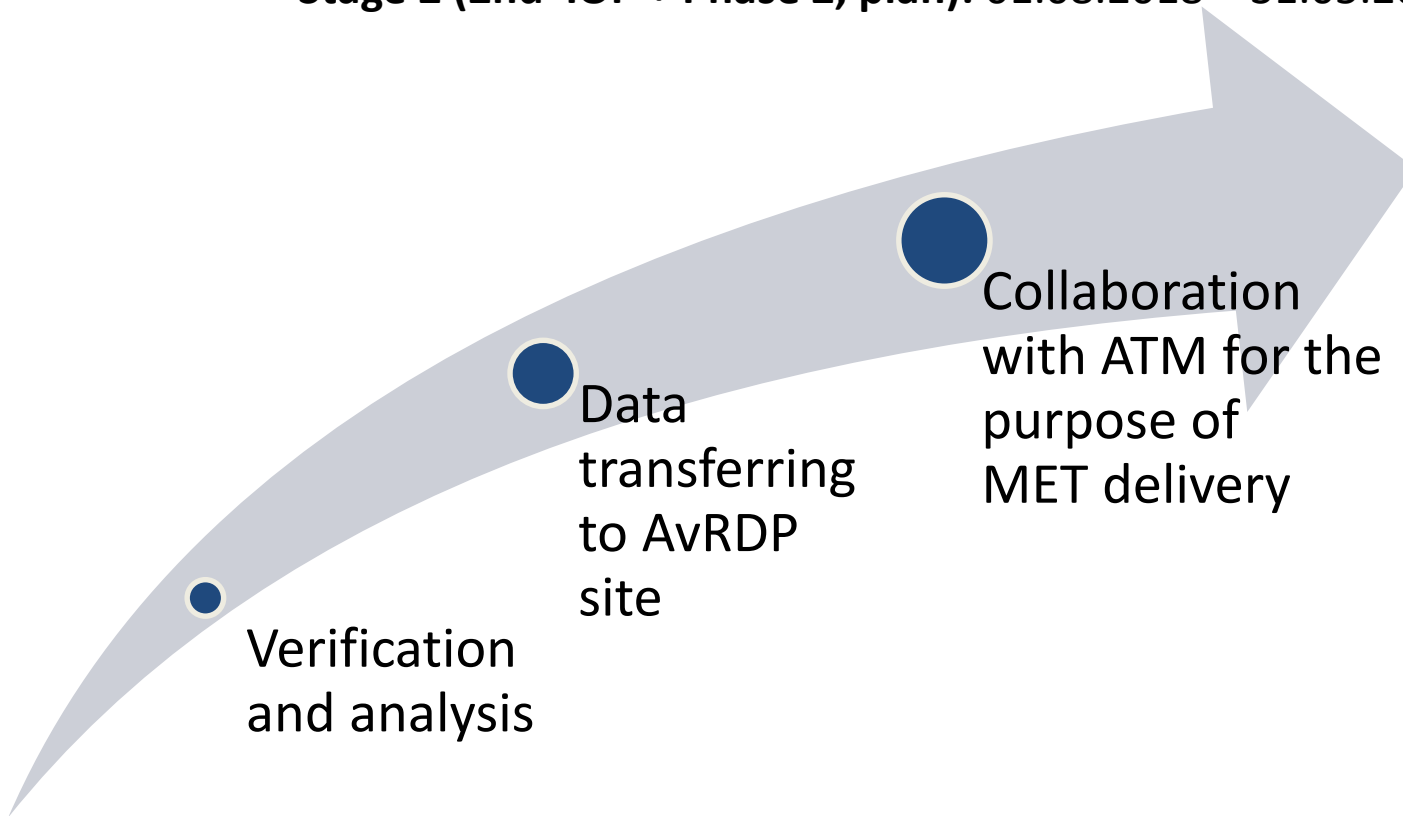
OBSERVATION

19:08 UTC
MIFG

19:50 UTC
FG
VIS = 500m

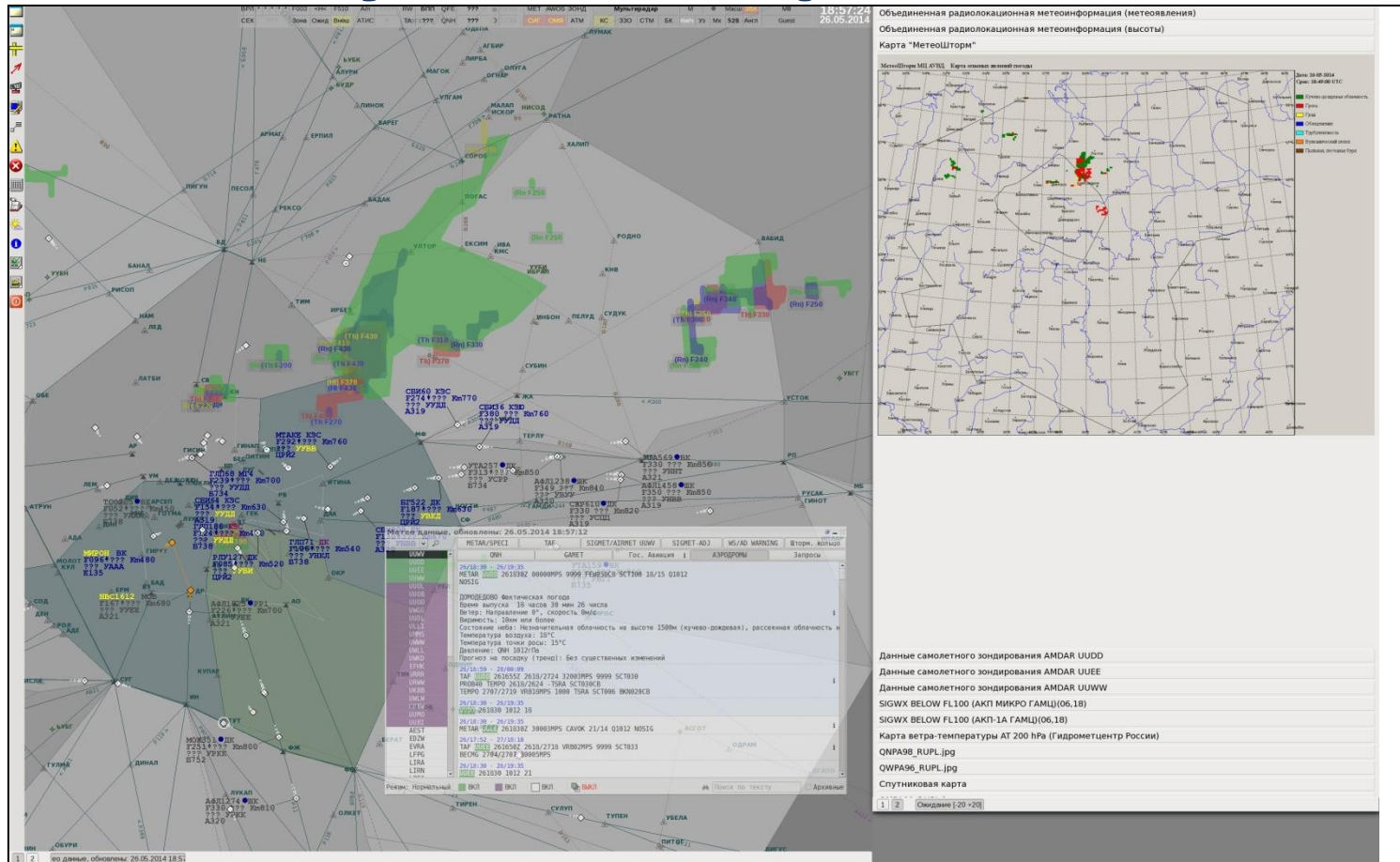
Future Plans

Stage 2 (2nd IOP + Phase 2, plan): 01.08.2018 – 31.05.2019

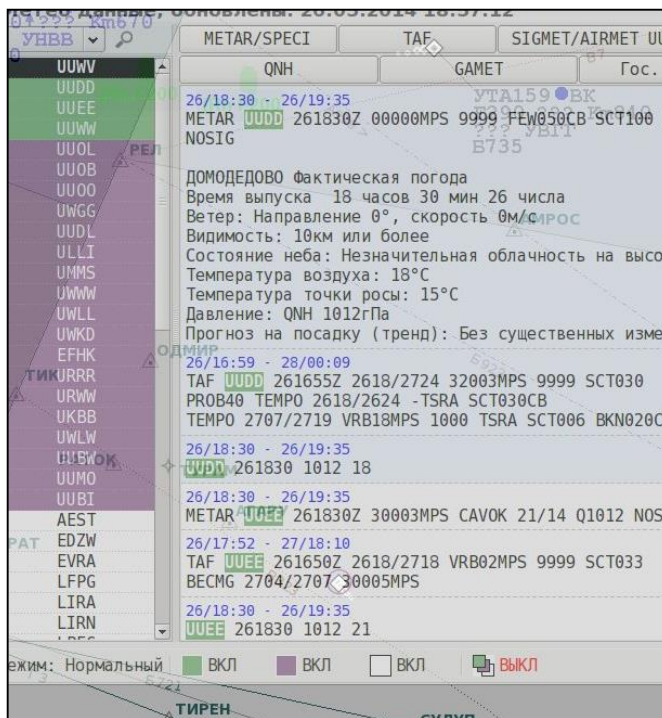


ATM System "Alpha"

The ATC system "Alpha" (produced by the LLC "NITA", Russia) provides visualization of the data at the screens. The MeteoServer system (produced by IRAM, Russia) provides the ATC system (the "Alpha" and a few others produced in different countries) with all needed information in consistent formats

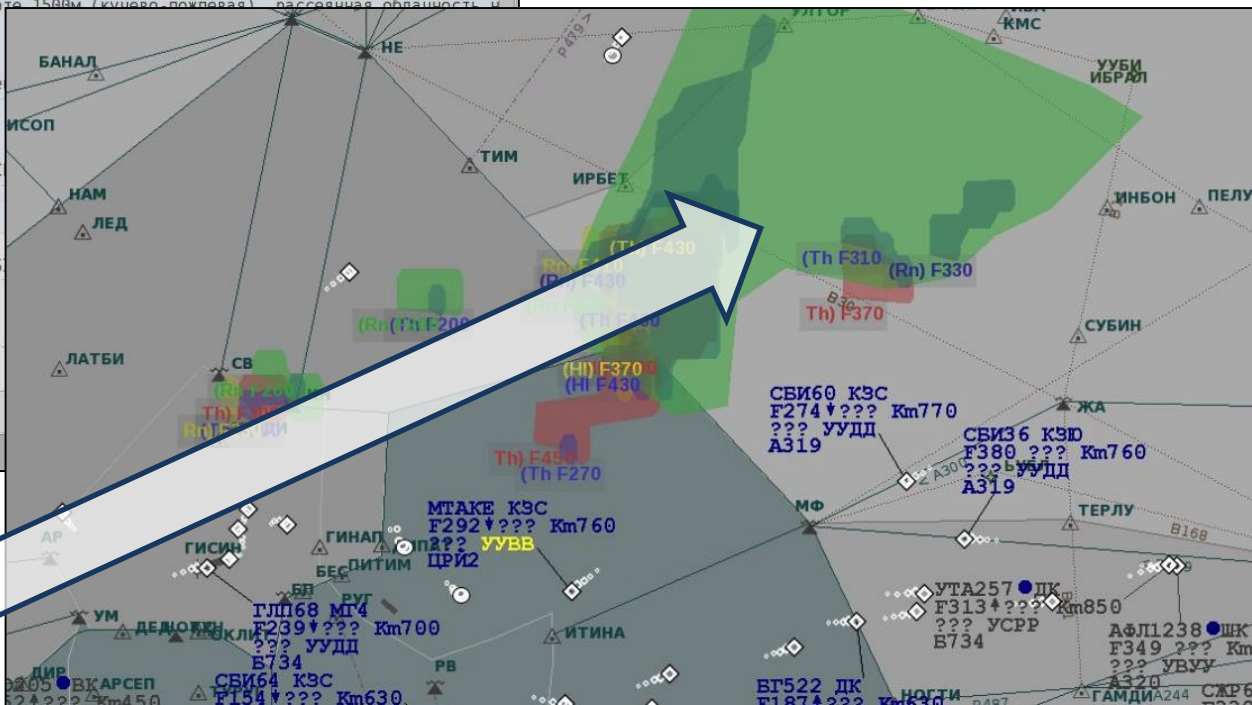


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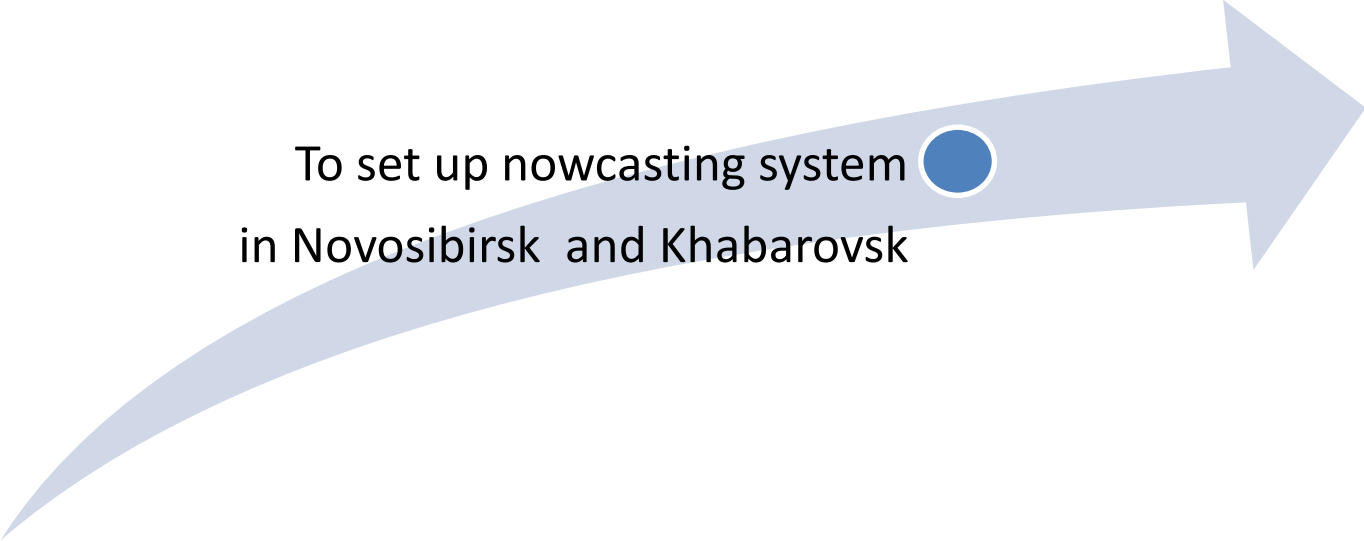
A possible future
nowcasting position

Real Time Convection Areas: radar contours (in light green, dark green, purple, red ...) with corresponding indication



Future Plans

Outside AvRDP



To set up nowcasting system
in Novosibirsk and Khabarovsk

MeteoExpert was one of the six nowcasting systems of the FROST-2014 (WMO WWRP) and was operational at the Main Operations Center of Sochi-2014 Olympic Games.

MeteoExpert nowcasting systems is operated 24/7 at 2 airports now – Pulkovo and Irkutsk (near Baikal lake)



Thanks for your attention!