



Genero vs. I4GL

- Genero is compatible with I4GL
 - o Just recompile and run!
- Your existing code will also support:
 - o Windows 10, macOS, Linux, Unix, browsers, mobile devices
 - o Removes most limitations of the I4GL language
 - Multiple dialogs, multiple selects, drag and drop
 - o Graphical widgets
 - o Etc...
 - o Most industry standard databases inc. open source
 - Web Services SOAP/RESTful
 - Support for XML and JSON
 - Java integration (JNI)





History - I4GL penetration

Data Management Solutions

Classic Tools: 4GL Family

- Perfect choice for character based OLTP applications and batch job processing
 - Superior reporting capabilities
 - Easily manages the most complex business logic
 - Char-based HW still prevalent in the customer base
- Works with all Classic Servers & IDS
- 52% of our customer base have 4GL applications

 → Four million active Informix-4GL users today!



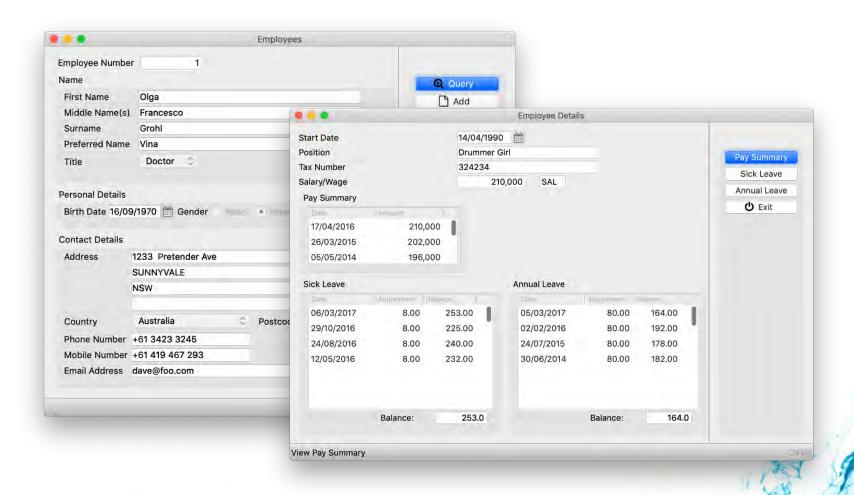


History - I4GL penetration

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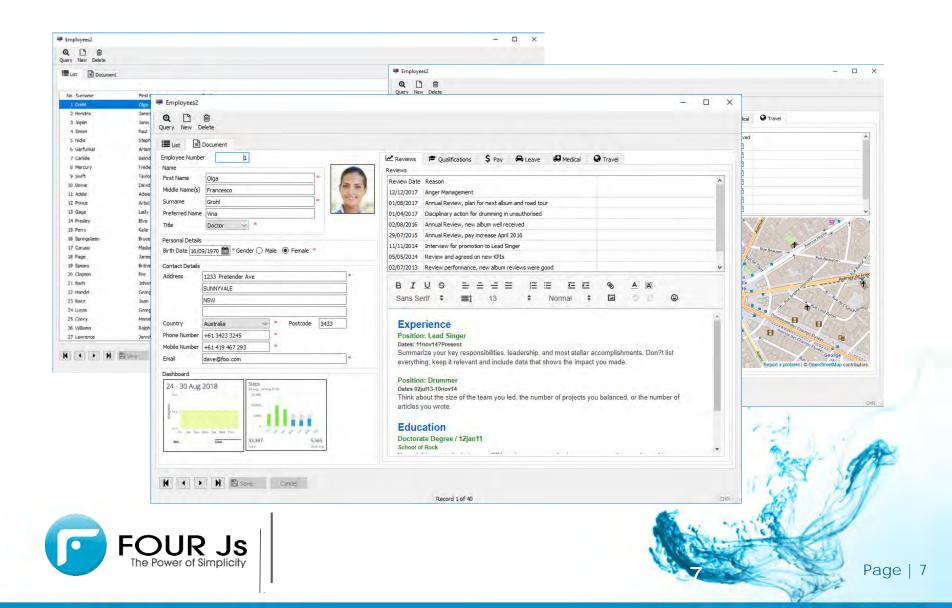


Initial migration - Genero Desktop Client





Final migration - Genero Desktop Client



Final migration - Universal Rendering & Browser Client



Be responsive to change

'It is **not the strongest**of the species that survives
nor the **the most intelligent**,
but the one most

responsive to change'

Charles Darwin

The Origin of Species, 1859







Migration Work

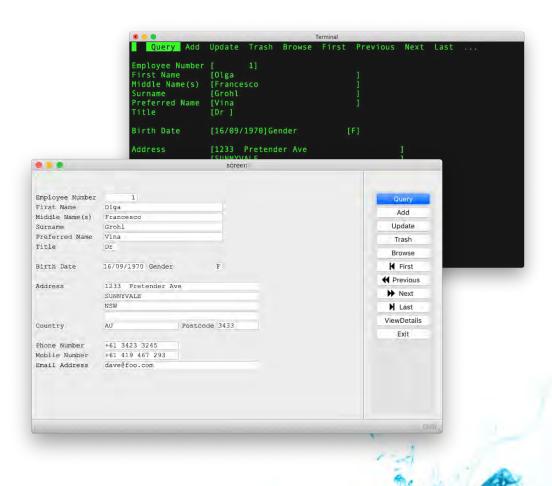
- Allows a step by step migration
 - ➤ Tune your migration to your needs
 - ➤ After each iteration, one working application
 - First iteration: 'recompile and go'





Migration Work

- Migration step 1
 - ➤ Install Genero Studio
 - Define your project
 - ➤ Compile & validate
 - > Strict function signature
 - ➤ Review C routines
 - Review file statements
 - ➤ Review TUI specifics
 - ➤ Rewrite SQL Blocks
 - **>** ...
 - Step one completed Application can be deployed

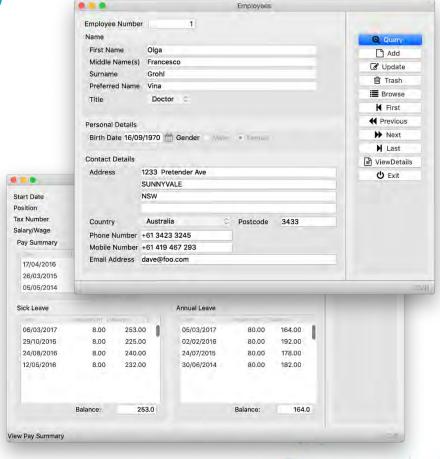




Migration Work

Migration step 2

- Review Windows that includes more than one form
- Replace static displays statements with something more accurate
- Design forms in a more graphical way
- Compile & Validate
- Step two completed Application can be deployed







Migration Work

➤ Migration step 3

➤ Add new graphical objects:

> Widgets,

> Toolbars.

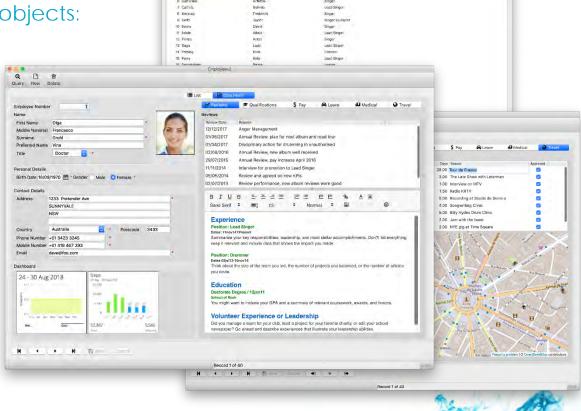
> Topmenus,

Multiple dialogs,

> Tree views,

▶ Web Components ...

Add localization



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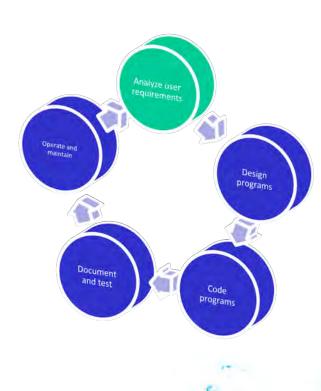
Migration Work

Migration considerations

- Set customers' expectation
- Scope of the project
- Current workload
- Resources
- Priorities
- ➤ Cost / ROI / Gains

IBM I4GL to Genero



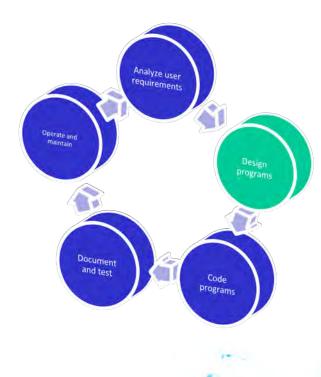




Migration Work

Design Programs

- ➤ GDC only, GWC only or both GDC and GWC
- Which database engine
- Which platform
- ➤ 1:1 migration or enhanced migration
- Add new features







Migration Work

➤ Review Programs

- Review user made C functions, rewrite them with Genero classes/methods
- **>** Review windows with multiple forms
- ➤ Review Display At Statements
- Review ARR_CURR() and SCR_LINE() functions
- Strict function signature checking
- Review form files
 - Remove ASCII/TERMCAP semi graphic characters
 - Enhance most used forms
 - Review master/Detail forms
 - Review subscripted form fields
 - Align placeholders where needed
- Review Screen Arrays
- Centralize action attributes with .4ad
- Define styles





Migration Work

Review Programs

- Review global variables, check for type mismatch
- Consider swapping On Key and Command for On Action
- ➤ Consider Dynamic Arrays
- Consider Multiple Dialogs
- Consider using String vs Char / Varchar
- ➤ Review your menus
 - Use Scroll Menus,
 - Toolbars,
 - > Contextual menus, ...
- Review Clear Screen statement





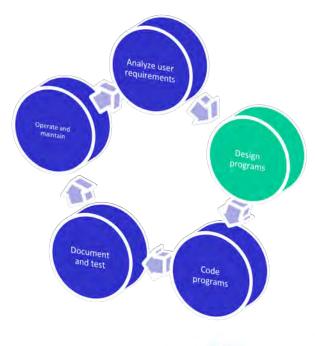
Migration Work

Summary

- Review form files
- Correct compilation errors
- Add new graphical functionalities

No need to

- ➤ Review your entire code
- Do all points listed in one step









Migrating i4GL

- ➤ ADAPTRIS. Project 1
 - Goal
 - ➤ Migration from I4GL to Genero
 - ➤ No Improvement of the user interface
 - ➤ No new functionalities
 - ➤ Future development performed by customer
 - Metrics
 - ▶ 1 174 100 lines of code
 - ▶ 625 form files
 - ➤ 2 developers

Migration: 3 weeks





Migrating i4GL

- **▶** ADAPTRIS. Project 2
 - Goal
 - ➤ Migration from I4GL to Genero / GDC
 - ➤ Improvement of the user interface
 - ➤ Add new functionalities
 - ➤ Future development performed by the customer
 - Metrics
 - **▶** 574 684 lines of code
 - **≥** 242 form files
 - ➤ 2 developers

Migration: 1 months





- SIGEA. Sistema Integral de Gestión Económica del Aire (Spanish Air force)
 - Goal
 - ➤ Migration from BDS to Genero / GDC
 - ➤ Change of Database engine
 - ➤ Improvement of the user interface
 - Add new functionalities
 - ▶ Be multi-platform
 - Metrics
 - **▶** 3 095 633 lines of code
 - ≥ 2 465 form files
 - ➤ 8 developers

Migration: 11 months





- Gestevision Telecinco (Channel TV)
 - Goal
 - ➤ Migration from I4GL to Genero
 - ➤ Improvement of the user interface
 - ➤ Add new functionalities
 - Metrics
 - **▶** 207 175 lines of code
 - **≥** 344 form files
 - ➤ 2 developers

Migration: 4 months





- ➤ Si-NET (Software company)
 - Goal
 - ➤ Migration from I4GL to Genero
 - ➤ Improvement of the user interface
 - ➤ Add new functionalities
 - Metrics
 - ➤ 32 000 lines of code
 - ➤ 60 form files (30 500 lines of code)
 - ▶ 1 developers

Migration: 3 months





Thank You





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History of programming Languages



