ADVANCE advances

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a passion for discovery



ENDF quality control in the days of yore

CSEWG peer reviews all evaluations before accepting

Phase I Testing:

- ENDF/B-VI and earlier: pen & paper reviews
- ENDF/B-VII.0: partially automated with EMPIRE tools

Phase II Testing:

- User/developer communication
- Nuclear data week, CSEWG validation committee
- Version control by hand with ENDF/A & ENDF/B

ENDF/B Evaluation Review

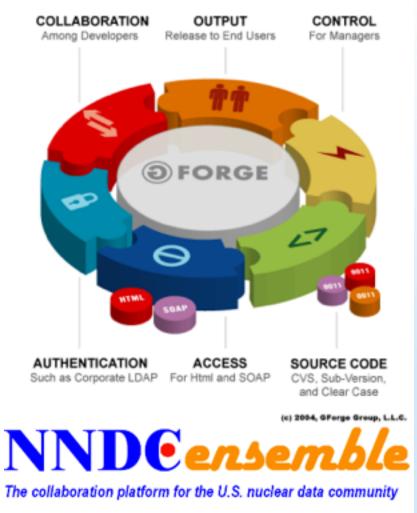
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☐ Plot vs. experimental data and other evaluations. (See Data Preparation Form). ☐ ENDF/B ☐ JEF ☐ JENDL ☐ BROND ☐ CENDL (See Data Preparation Form).	Ст	8/25
☐ Prepare review kit including plots, listings, and forms.		1
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Sample PHASE I review packet cover page (June 2000)

For ENDF/B-VII.0 (2006), we began modernizing

- Old ENDF/A & ENDF/B arrangement was ending
- Library version management now taken over by GForge
 - subversion does the main work
 - GForge adds bug tracking
 - (and a bunch of other stuff we don't use)
- Change spearheaded by Michal Herman, current head of the NNDC



In the final stages of the preparation of ENDF/B-VII.1 (2011), we tried something else new

ADVANCE quality assurance system for ENDF

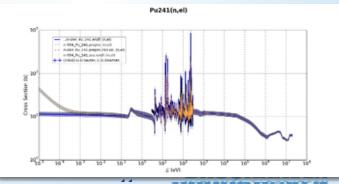
On every commit of every evaluation in ENDF

- Check out evaluation
- Run through a battery of tests
- Process with customer processing codes
- Generate comparison plots
- Generate HTML report of evaluation

Automation is better!

- Find data problems before the customers!
- Far faster/better than old PHASE I review
- Available at http://www.nndc.bnl.gov/endf/b7.dev/ga/index.html





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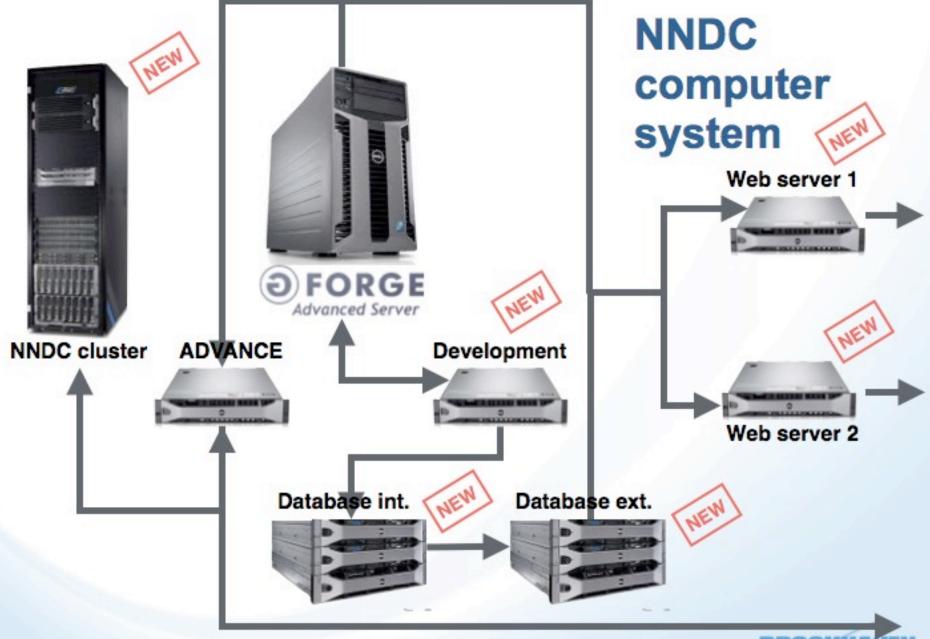


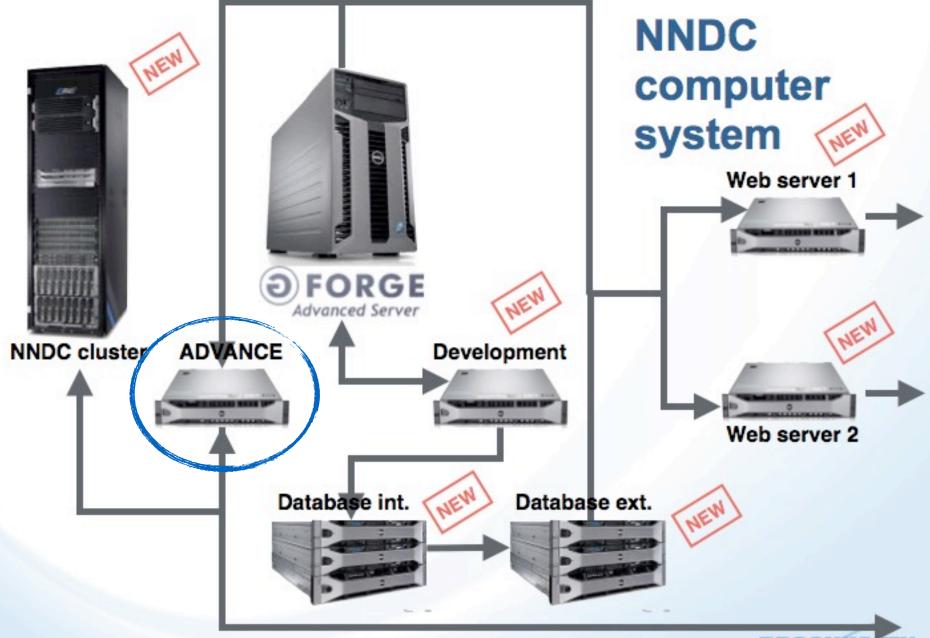
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Fortunately we were prepared:

- a facility grant from the Office of Science enabled major computer purchases
- we were also planning an upgrade to ADVANCE software





We also took the opportunity to rework the software behind ADVANCE

- Replace ControlTier with open source BuildBot system
- Improved reports, including BNL's new styles (js & css)
- Lots of bug fixes
- Upgrade processing codes:
 - Newer Fudge-4.0
 - NJOY2012, including CP and photonuclear processing
- Full library builds
- Latest release, v0.8.1 (Sep. 2014)

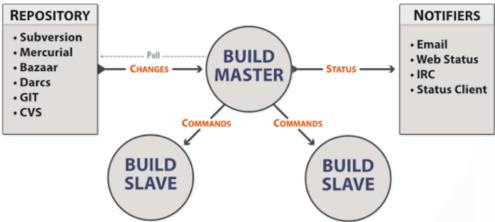




ADVANCE is now parallelized & distributed

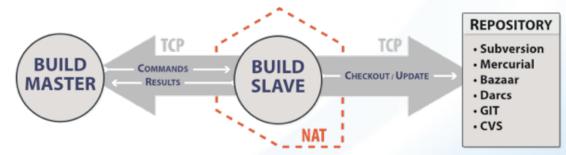


Builds coordinated by ADVANCE server



Slave nodes do work (ADVANCE server is master &

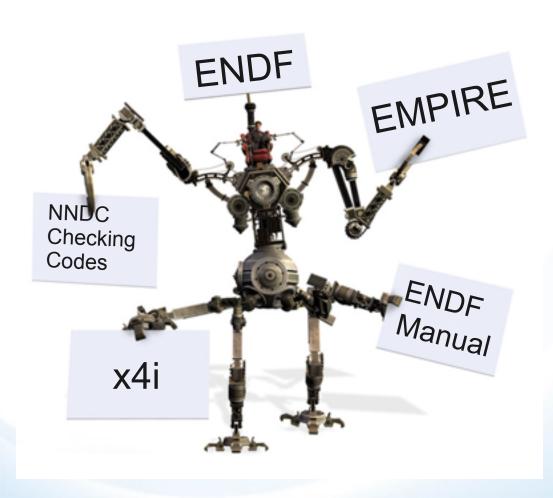
slave)



NNDC cluster main node will be slave too...

The NNDC is now using ADVANCE for several projects





That is pretty cool. I like it very much.

Actually, it is amazing, congratulations!

- Roberto Capote

Major change made this year: Testing atomic data to support EPICS

All atomic data tested by

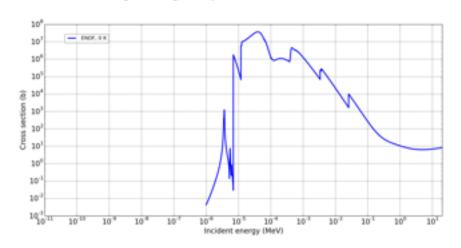
- NNDC Codes (STAN, STANEF, CHECKR, FIZCON, PSYCHE)
- PREPRO (LINEAR)
- Fudge

Generate plots of

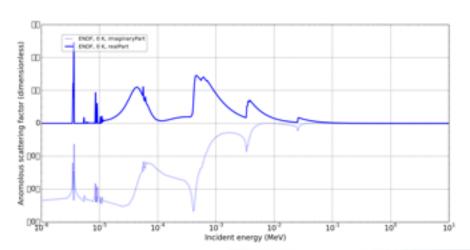
- photon and electron cross sections
- photon form factors
- photon anomalous scattering factors



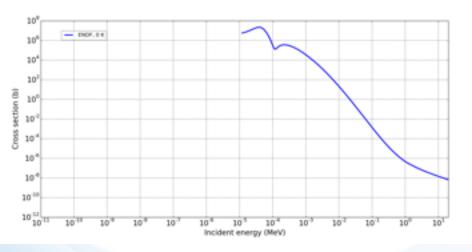
gamma+Ag, Total photon interaction (MT=501)



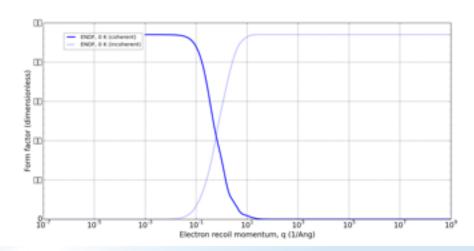
gamma+Ag, Photon coherent scattering (MT=502), anomolous scattering factor



gamma+Ag, N5 shell ionization (MT=547)



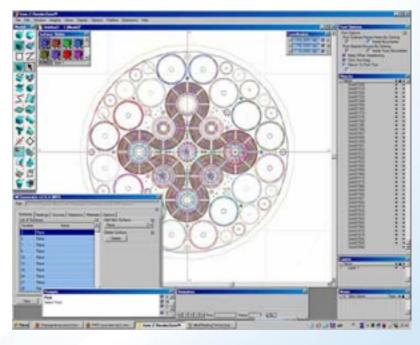
gamma+Ag, Photon (in)coherent scattering form factors (MT=502,504)





Will have summer student to start adding automated benchmarking to ADVANCE

- We will start with COG (Thanks Dave & Chuck)
 - Have COG and COG library builders
 - Have ICSBEP test suite from COG
- If there is time, will automate MCNP as well
 - Have MCNP6
 - Have Russ Mosteller's test suite
- Would like to add SCALE and AMPX, but AMPX requires GUI, so can't be automated yet



GForge System Upgrade

Ongoing Activities

- File Compare (Unix Diff): Integration/testing of plug-in (Python) which removes line numbers in ENDF files before comparing
- Data Verification: Integration/testing of plug-in (Python) which checks an ENDF evaluation & determines whether to commit it or not into Subversion repository



Near Future Activity (next few weeks)

- Upgrade of GForge software from v6.3.1 to 6.4.0
 - Improved user interface and performance
 - Enhanced security and major bug fixes

