Repository and Releases Status and Plans

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Repository status

- Production software (F77, Age, some C++)
 - F77/Age code mostly stable except for (minor) updates in preparation for production release
 - C++ code (mostly in Reconstruction) evolving
- OO/C++ software
 - evolving steadily
 - not all in official release but included in nightly builds
- Some numbers: 137 (45 top level) packages total LOC F77 501 K AGE 93 K C++ 338 K was 303 K

Supported Platforms

- Supported: HP–UX, ALPHA–DEC, IBM–AIX, LINUX, SUN–SOLARIS
 - BUT see
 /afs/cern.ch/atlas/project/librarian/packages_and_platforms.txt
 for list of supported platforms for each package
 - Should we decide on a few "core" platforms and prepare a "phasing out" plan for the rest?
 - IBM-AIX: support for external software dwindling; re-evaluate need and demand?
 - HP–UX: support at CERN until end 2001 start phasing out when?
 - ALPHA–DEC: re–evaluate if/when dropped by ATRIG?
 - Not supported: SGI (partly supported by Boston), WNT

Status of releases

- Fortnightly developers' releases: 32 releases in ~16 months
- Nightly builds
 - FORTRAN software usually builds, failures in OO/C++ software, occasional system/network related failures
 - Could/Should be used by developers for early debugging (esp. with L. Tuura's Build Analyser)
 - Should we aim for successful (on average) nightly builds? How to achieve?

Status of releases (cont'd)

- Production release
 - Originally planned for June/July after full testing
 - BUT
 - Very little testing has so far been performed
 - Updates are still in progress
 - Need all production executables (dice, dicepyt, atrecon, atlsim, atlfast and maybe atrig) at least for HP and Linux (maybe even Solaris?)
 - release postponed ==> aim for end October?
 We need some commitment for the testing!

Outstanding issues

- Packages to be added: xKalman++? GEANT4? other?
- Generator packages: out of date; to be taken up by ATLAS Monte Carlo group (first meeting 13/09)
- Releases in both debug and optimised mode: not yet addressed
- Package author list: not yet fully updated
- Removal of "test area": to be scheduled immediately after production release if atlsim/.g problem is solved? Freeze (remove write access earlier?)

Outstanding issues (cont'd)

- CERNLIB and shared libraries
- Web pages: update/reorganise?
- SRT development: some improvements are necessary:
 - in documentation see review
 - in functionality following ART requirements?
- SRT long-term maintenance and support
- The big question for Norman: Where do we discuss issues like the above?