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Status of Nightlies

- dev[34], dev[34]python2
 - New: boost_histogram (SPI-1824), tabulate (SPI-1825)
 - Upgraded: Boost 1.75 (SPI-1819), PyJWT 2.0.1 (SPI-1820), gdb 10.1 (SPI-1831),
 ACTS 6.0.0 (SPI-1841), pip 21.01 (SPI-1840), CORAL/COOL 3.3.5 (SPI-1724),
 spark 3.1.1 (dev3 only, SPI-1839)
 - Removed: pyTimber, pyjapc, pjlsa, jpype, cmmnbuild (SPI-1807)
 - Recipe changes:
 - dbg: Build root with "LLVM_BUILD_TYPE=Debug"
 - slows down Gaudi tests by factor 5-10
- devArm, dev[34]Cuda:
 - NTR

Status of Releases

LCG_98python3_ATLAS_7 (SPI-1822)

- LCG_88b
 - superchic 4.01 (SPI-1794), -> 4.02p1
 - Madgraph 2.92 (SPI-1830)

Preparing for LCG_100

- Root 6.24.00 coming soon
- Please keep adding your wishes to SPI-1799
- Can we switch dev4 to root 6.24.00-patches?
- Upgrade to XrootD 5.1.0?

Issues/Discussions

- Coral/Cool moving to ATLAS
- NXCals
 - Removing acc-py packages (SPI-1807) from LCG_95apython3_nxcals
- building gcc with –enable-frame-pointer
- cuda 11.2 installed in contrib
- New LHAPDF sets: SPI-1827 SPI-1828 SPI-1829

Instruction set proposed changes

Proposed by M Clemencic to existing document HSF-TN/2018-01

2.1 Architecture

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In case we want builds targeting specific CPUs and we do not require compatibility with older CPU types, we can use architecture codenames like **haswell** or **skylake**. As of GCC11 and Clang 12 we can also use Microarchitecture Feature Levels like x86 64 v2 to enable the SSE4.2 instructions set.

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For CPU detection and compatibility checks we can use the Python package archspec

Spack discussion points

- Root builtins vs. externals
 - LHCb has expressed a strong preference towards turning all `_builtin` flags off
 - ATLAS is fine with the current situation.
 - Question: will a build with all `_builtin` flags off work for as well
- Who will be the point of contact from ATLAS and LHCb sides?
- What would be the timescale for investigation from the experiments side, so we can plan accordingly?

Operating Systems et al.

 Linux Future update presentation at the ITUM Meeting last week:

https://indico.cern.ch/event/980347/#10-linux-future-update-on-stat

Next Meeting

Monday, March 22, 2021