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Updates in nightlies/devs since the last meeting

"Externals"

- SPI-2314 Cuda 12.1 is added to contrib area.
- SPI-2298 madgraph-3.4.2 is added with ATLAS patches into nightlies.
- SPI-2309 Python's **ipaddress** module was removed from the stack (exists in Python3)
- SPI-2287 Alma nightly builds for x86_64-el9-gcc11-opt are added to dev3 and dev4.
 - it uses gcc built for centos9 for the moment.

"Generators"

- [SHERPA] New version of sherpa 2.2.15 is releases, not requested yet.
 - According to the release notes: "Version 2.2.15 contains a bug fix for fixed-order NLO results (enabled using QCD_NLO_Mode: Fixed_Order), and we encourage all users to update to this version."

Pending/in progress

- SPI-2313 Addition of **OpenSearch** python library requested by Centralised Elasticsearch Service team, managing Elasticsearch/OpenSearch clusters.
- SPI-2301 Request for update of **Pyarrow** package.
- SPI-2302 Update of TensorFlow
- SPI-2308 Request to update Xerces-C.
- SPI-2305 Update xrootd to 5.5.3 and clarify what is needed for client installation.
- SPI-2310 Change of default build configuration of Geant4:
 - Geant4: without VecGeom
 - Geant4_vecgeom_scala: with VecGeom built in scalar mode;
 - Geant4_vecgeom_vector: with VecGeom built in vector mode;
 - an opportunity for users for benchmarking.

Release and layers:

- SPI-2289 LCG_103
 - Base Layer:
 - aarch64-centos9-gcc11 is available now.
 - clang15 platform are ready but without compiler's rpms yet.

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- SPI-2315 mac12arm builds failing.
- LCG_103cuda:
 - x86_64-centos7-gcc11-opt
 - x86_64-centos8-gcc11-opt
 - x86_64-centos9-gcc11-opt
- LCG_103swan:
 - x86_64-centos7-gcc11-opt
- SPI-2298 LCG_102b_ATLAS_13/14 new ATLAS layer with madgraph-3.4.2 is ready.
- SPI-2306 Layer **LCG_102b_ATLAS_1/2** with Pythia8-309 is in progress. All configurations for x86 platforms are ready, arm's to be checked.

items for discussion:

- Feedback about LCG_103
- Maintenance day on Sunday?
 - Every day, we (re-)publish so many files on CVMFS that our regular garbage collection jobs are not reaching the actual sweep stage.
 - Suggestion: to have a dedicated day for running gc task.

Round table

ATLAS, ALICE, LHCb, ROOT, NA62, SWAN

Next Meeting: March 27, 2023