State of the EMPIRE

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a passion for discovery



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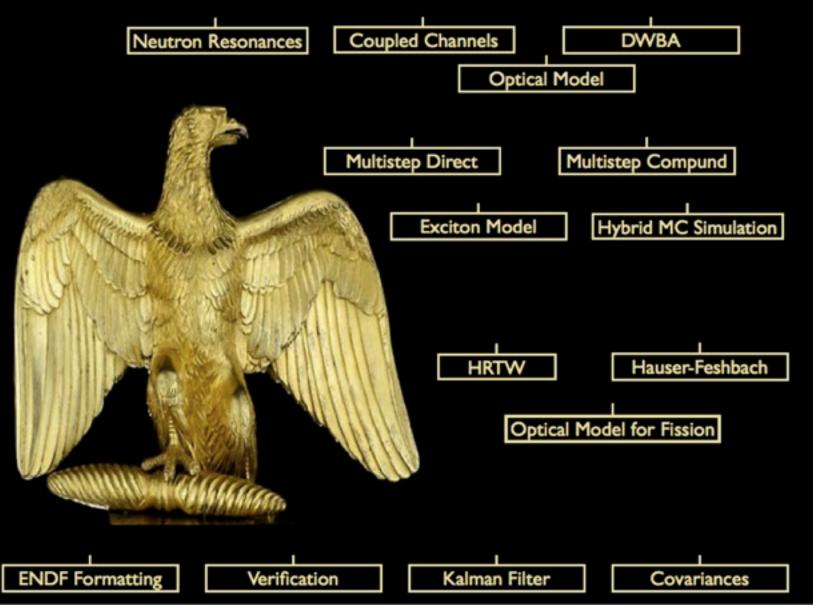
Major new features in EMPIRE-3.1 (Rivoli)

- Covariance capabilities using Kalman filter and Monte Carlo
- Resonance module to produce MF2 and MF32 from the Atlas of Neutron Resonances
- RIPL-3 library of input parameters
- New version of Coupled Channel code ECIS-2006
- Coupled Channel code OPTMAN for soft-rotor calculations
- Improved treatment of fission
- Parity dependent level densities
- New parametrization of EGSM level densities
- Three additional ejectiles (d, t, ³He)
- Platform independent retrieval of EXFOR data
- Fully operational on Mac OS X



EMPIRE-3.1 (Rivoli)

Nuclear Reaction Model Code



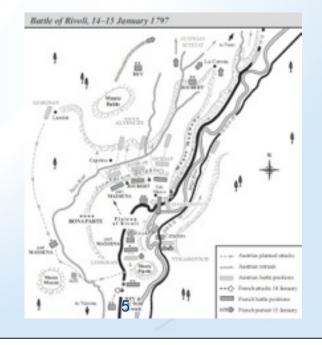
EMPIRE-3.1 Rivoli

- New release is being prepared
- Web site updated
- Manual mostly updated
- All planned changes to the source in place
- Test cases to be prepared
- Expected release date December 2011/ January 2012

In a two-days battle of Rivoli fought in January 14-15, 1797 close to the lake Garda Napoleon Bonaparte defeated final Austrian attempt to relieve siege of Mantua and secured French control of northern Italy. Subsequent French offensive into Austrian Tirol

ended the first Italian campaign.





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Parallel calculations

- System of scripts written by Caleb Mattoon
 - split original multi-energy input into many single-energy inputs
 - run each incident energy on a different node
 - collect single-energy outputs and reconstruct a standard multi-energy output
- With 72-nodes NNDC Linux cluster calculation time is given by the time needed to calculate the highest energy
- Intensively used for sensitivity calculations (covariances)





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Major changes since CSEWG-2010 (278 Svn commits)

- Full OPTMAN capabilities implemented
- Upgrade of checking codes
- Reorganization done flying over Tropic of Capricorn, Equator and Tropic of Cancer.
- Direct access to C4 file with exp data instead of fancy but unstable MySql retrieval
- KERCEN code included in the source (not linked through the GUI)
- Input controlled adjustment of the level density shift
- Thorough work on tightening cross section balance
- Refitting EGSM level densities



"...the state of our Empire is the strongest it has ever been."

Bill Clinton, state of the Union 2000

