

# Nuclear Data Dissemination Efforts for Nuclear Astrophysics & Nuclear Physics at ORNL

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- Current and future efforts are
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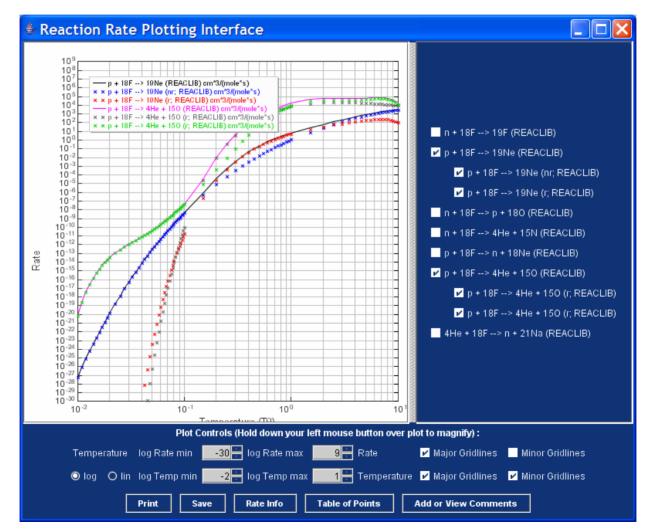
# Outline

- Multipurpose Data Visualization Tools
- User-Friendly Interface
  - Data Sharing
  - Dataset Commenting
    - Custom Data Set Creation (supplemental)
    - Performance Improvement (supplemental)
    - Future Plans (supplemental)



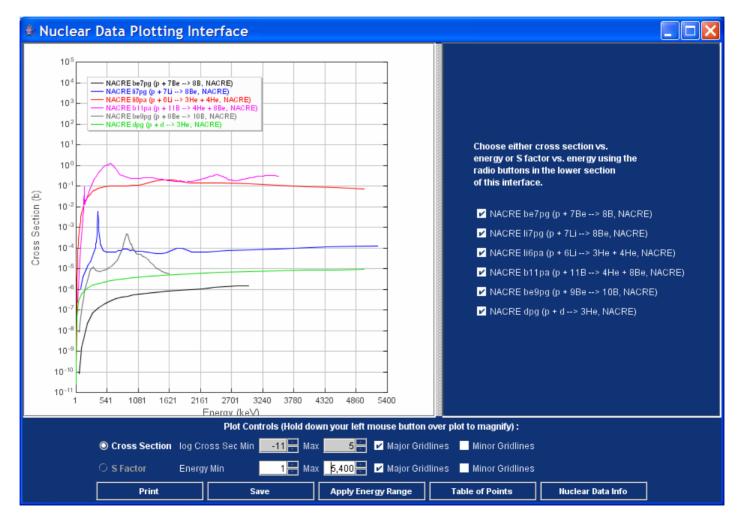


• Example: 1-d plots for reaction rates



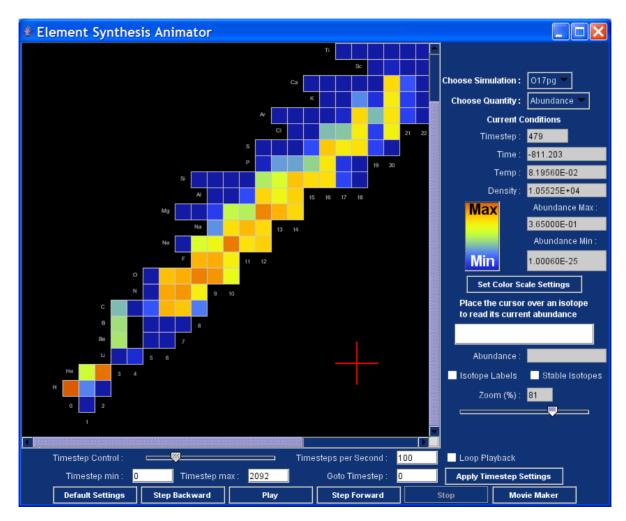


• Example: Similar 1-d plots for cross sections



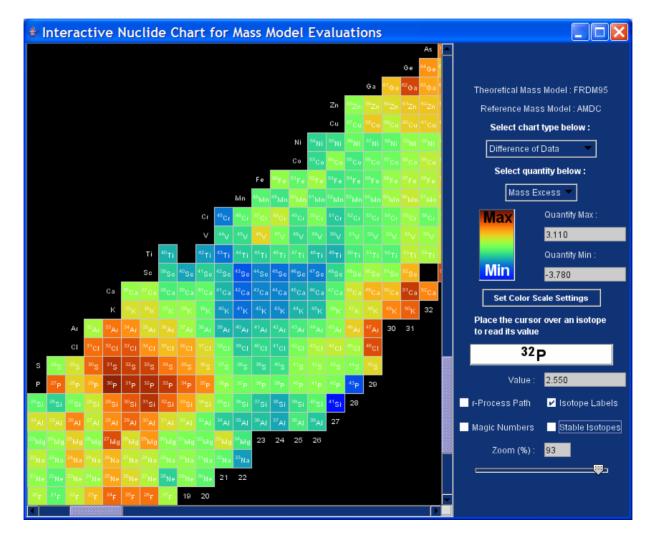


• Example: 2-d nuclide charts for abundances

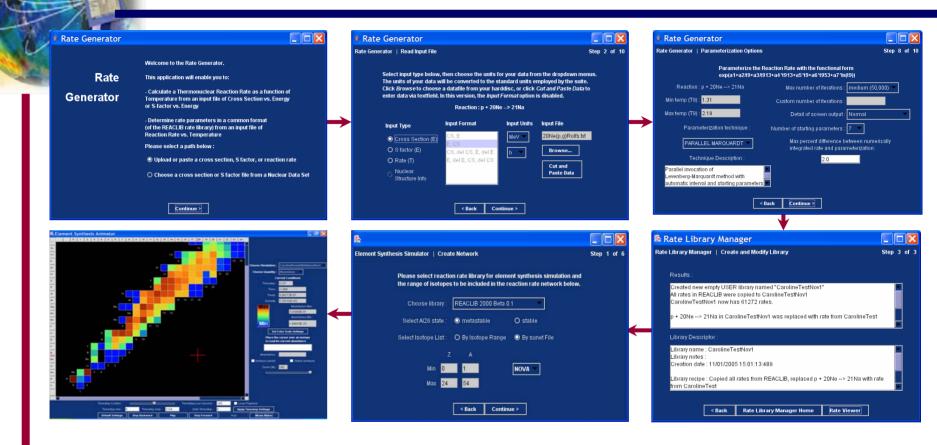




• Example: Similar 2-d nuclide charts for masses

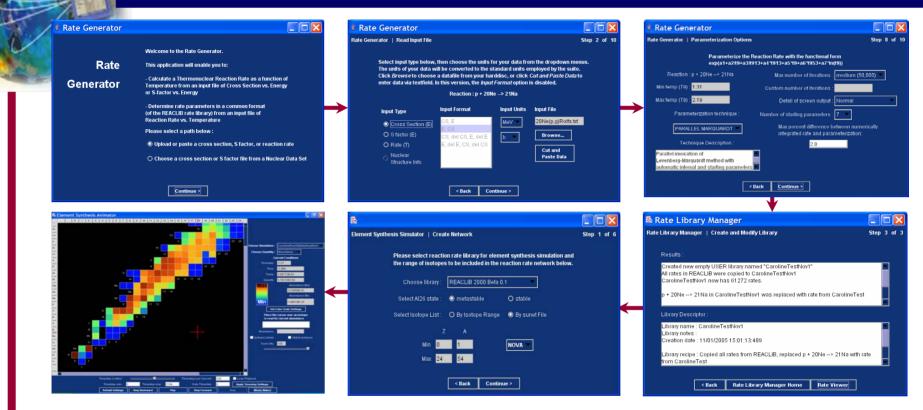


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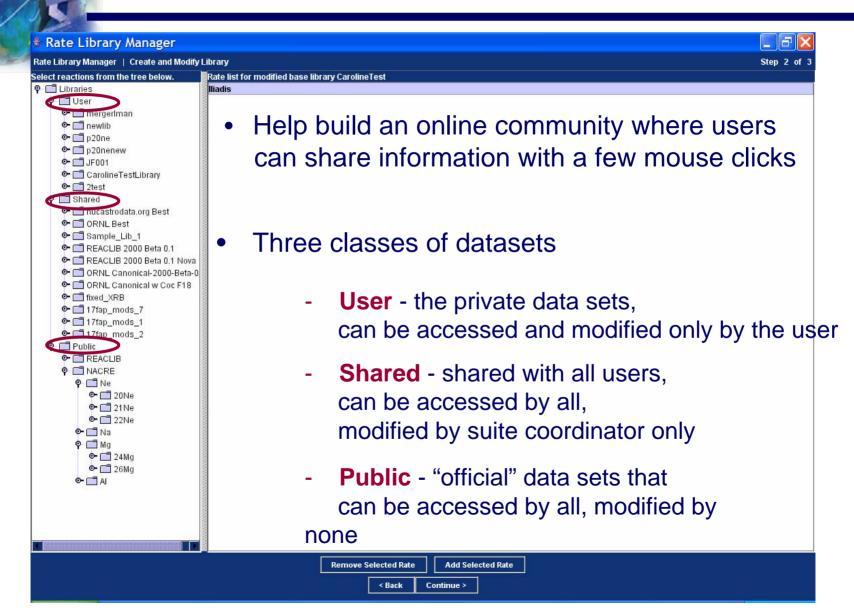
- "Windows Wizard" approach
  - Step-by-step interface where complex tasks are
    - broken down into simple steps with just a few choices
- Multiple views of accessing data are used
  - Chart of nuclides, file "tree", text entry ...

#### **User-Friendly Interface**



- Results:
  - System easy to use for everyone, including novices
  - Complex manipulations become simple!
- Challenges:
  - Multiple functionality sometimes requires backing through numerous steps
  - Prevent frustration for the most advanced users

#### **Data Sharing**



## **Dataset Commenting**

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- Email type interface where users comment on datasets
- Browsing allowed on comments on shared & public datasets
- Has a tutorial-like function novices can read comments by experts
- Serves for consensus-building: enables decisions on "best" datasets to be more quickly determined





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#### **Custom Data Set Creation**

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- Graphical user interfaces enabling datasets to be combined into libraries
- Set of file management tools working on both libraries and their components



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- Efficient algorithms make combining libraries easy
- Robust "recipes" are automatically generated to enable others to recreate these libraries
- Recipes & archive system enable datasets to be referenced in publications

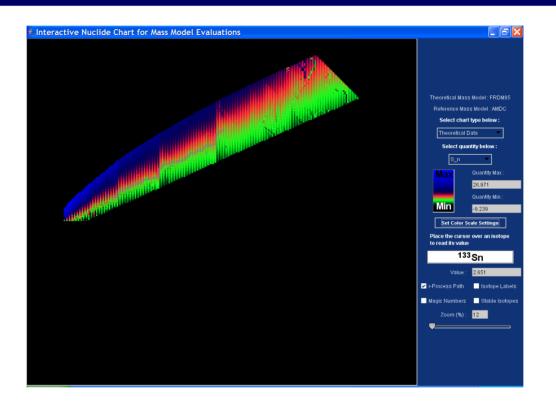


# **Performance Improvement**

- Compression used to speed transfer of large data files from our server to the client
  - exported rate libraries, abundance & reaction flux data for astrophysical simulations
- Use of efficient graphics algorithms
  - Smooth rendering when zooming in/out
  - Graphics update in near real time during animation playback
- Use of indexing in data structures for fast retrievals & searches
  - Retrieval of reaction rate information



#### **Future Plans**



- Expand functionality of mass model evaluator
- Add theoretical cross section calculation tool to enable generation of large sets of reaction rates
- Additional features suggested by our international community of users