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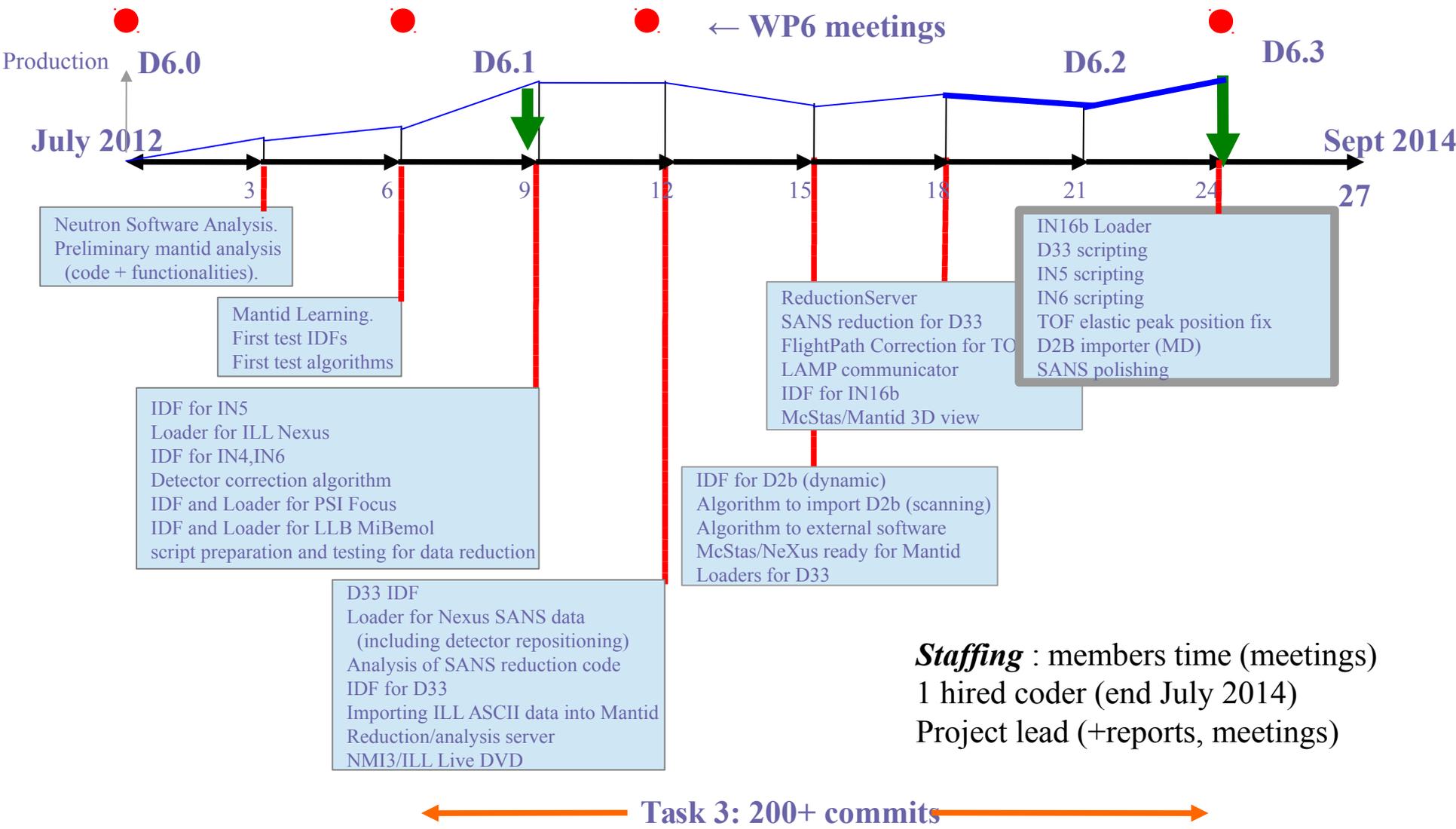
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- ✓ **Task 5: Mantid training and user evaluation at the ILL (June 2014)**

# WP6 – progress overview



## We have reviewed the current software landscape

- Evaluated 24 software for  $n/\mu$
- Only 5 involve international collaboration
- All active projects (7) use repositories
- Produced a LiveDVD for evaluation/schools
- All recent software use Object Oriented programming
- Active software use mainly : Fortran, C, C++ and Python languages, NeXus is spreading
- **Mantid** is today the largest project

**Report on current software and practices (task 1)**  
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March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 - R. Leal and E. Farhi (with input from members of the workpackage)

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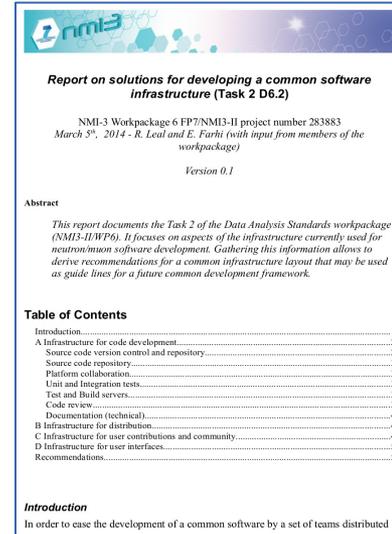
**Abstract**  
In this report, we have reviewed a selection of data treatment software for neutron scattering experiments. The practices used to develop and maintain the software are also analysed in order to define a set of recommendations to be used in further projects, including the development and evaluation of European prototype software which is the main task (3) of this workpackage. This report fulfils Task 1 of the workpackage and aspects of Task 2.  
The criteria used for the software review are Deployment / Installation, Usability, Functionality, Maintenance and Expandability. The criteria used for the software practices are related to version control, points of failure, testing, documentation, and code duplication.

**Recommendations** : Necessity to identify code redundancy and propose **low-level shared libraries** for e.g. models, algorithms, I/O routines, interface design templates.  
These should follow adopted **standards**.

## We have reviewed infrastructures used for development

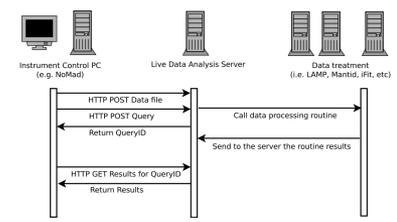
- Code location (repository), Collaborative work, Unit testing, Build servers, Code review, Technical documentation
- Software distribution
- User contributions
- Interface homogeneity

**Recommendations:** provide a **community based development infrastructure** at <http://www.neutronsources.org> with GIT/SVN, Redmine platform, Jenkins testing/build, Deb/RPM repos, favour **user contributions**.



## We have experimented ideas – major WP Task

- A 'reduction' server that can execute any task, with any software, and report results.
- A generic algorithm for Mantid that can use external software (“AllToMantid”)
- All code published (github, Mantid, web)
- Importers contributed to the Mantid project, for continuous source instruments and fixes to Algorithms. *IN4-5-6, Focus, MiBemol, D33, D2b, IN16b, McStas, D17 IN10-13-16*



Instrument	Example data	Format	Algorithms	Other software
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BS/IN13		ascii/INXNS	Load (Indirect_Load_ASCII) IndirectConvertToEnergy	LAMP: • rdsun • beosnorm • in13_elascan_v



## Evaluation of prototyping when project ends (Sept 2014)

Support for TOF spectrometers: **functional**

Support for SANS: **functional**

Support for BackScatt: **mostly functional**

Support for DIFF: **limited** (not for scanning instruments)

Support for Reflectometers: **limited**

Support for TAS: **none** (not for scanning instruments)

**Full code and reports available (web, github, Mantid commit)**

**Future of WP6: probably 1-2 further meetings possible, no dev.**

**Trend** : **Mantid** can handle most, but not all types of experiments. Its **coding effort** is significant. Should be complemented by **other projects** in a coherent way. Currently the only international effort, with NeXus.