Planned features of McStas 2.0

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General package development

- Coherence in parameter naming (breaks backward compatibility)
 - Dimensions:
 - radius, xwidth, yheight, zdepth, thickness
 - w1 h1 w2 h2 l
 - R0 Qc alpha m W
 - length
 - nslit
 - Physical parameters:
 - sigma_abs, sigma_inc, sigma_coh, nu, phase
 - Monte Carlo parameters:
 - p_interact, focus_xw, focus_yh, focus_aw, focus_ah
 - Other:
 - filename



General package development

- All components will have support for polarization, i.e. handling of the neutron spin.
- Support for tabulated magnetic fields from disc, supplementing existing analytical fields
- All components with extent relevant for gravitational effects will include this
- All sample comps (can also model sample environment etc.) will take shape input from file (geomview .OFF)



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NOP specific theme

 New language features (or modification of existing keywords) for "mega components" - explicitly wanted by Neutron Optics)





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General package development

• Antiquated gui and plotting based on Perl, Tk, PGPLOT will be exchanged:

- Likely solution will be
 - Python replacing Perl
 - wXwidgets or Qt replacing Tk (native widgets on all platforms)
 - matplotlib (used in many other Scientific softwares)







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Validation and testing

• Further experiments for ensuring correctness of McStas comps, like









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Plus sustained support and collaboration

- Limited resources as there is no simulation JRA, still we will do
 - User workshops (Next is May 3rd before ICNS, Knoxville)
 - Training your students / people
 - Assist in development of specific components or features
 - Bring your problems to us or invite us to your facility!

