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There is a tech report server in the form of a Harvest broker
accessible at

<http://www.netlib.org/utk/brokers/netlib-reports/query.html>

I have contacted Judy Beumer at ANL about putting ANL reports
on it as well, and that should happen in the next few days.

The search interface still leaves a lot to be desired -- i.e.,
something better than a blind keyword search -- but that's a
general problem and not specific to this particular report server.
Ideally the Harvest broker software should offer other means
of organizing and searching/browsing the information it collects,
such as perhaps a browsable KWIC index of titles.
The Harvest developers seem open to us helping them develop
these capabilities.

Please make suggestions and comments. As I understood the task
I was assigned Friday, I was supposed to demonstrate that Harvest
software was sufficient for supporting a network of NSE tech report
servers. For now, there is just one gatherer and one broker,
but there is no reason other sites couldn't run either or both,
and Harvest already provides the means to link them all together.
A single broker can also be replicated for scalability.
So does this server satisfy the requirement?

Shirley