



The Full Bayesian Evaluation Technique

Properties and Developments

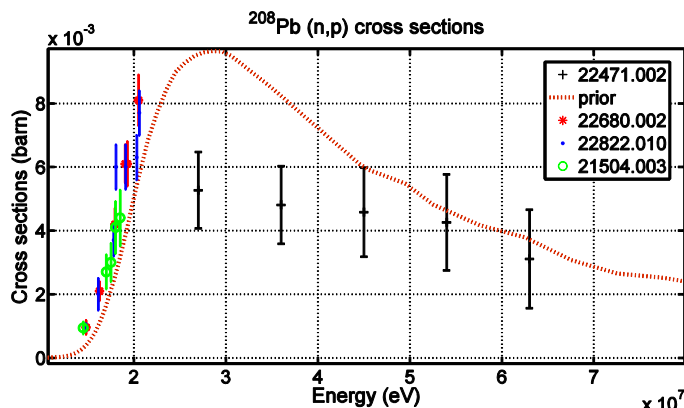
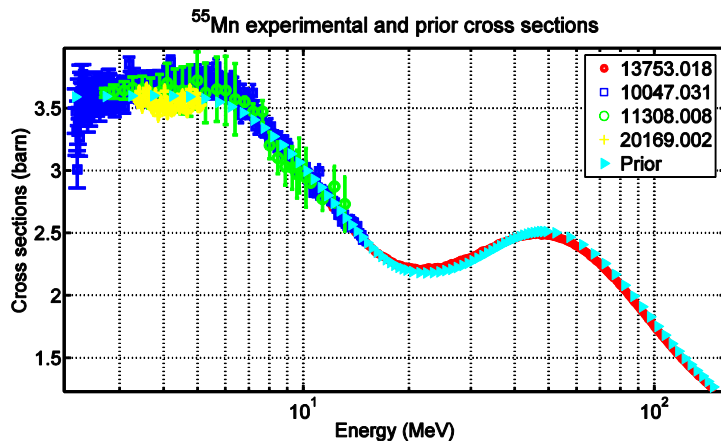
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Introduction

Aims of the Full Bayesian Evaluation Technique



Aims

Consistent combination of experimental and model cross sections σ_i

Estimation of related uncertainties in form of covariance matrices



$$\text{Cov}(\sigma_i, \sigma_j) = \langle (\sigma_i - \langle \sigma_i \rangle) (\sigma_j - \langle \sigma_j \rangle) \rangle$$

Are needed for the design and development of novel nuclear technologies (Nuclear waste incineration, Fusion and GenerationIV reactor,...).

2 fundamental principles of Statistics:

x ... model cross sections

M ... model

σ ... experimental cross sections

$$p(x | M) + p(\bar{x} | M) = 1$$

Normalization Condition

$$p(\sigma, x | M) = p(\sigma | x, M)p(x | M)$$

Product Rule



Likelihood function

Measures the prob. that σ is measured if x and M are correct.

BAYES THEOREM

$$p(x | \sigma, M) = \frac{p(\sigma | x, M)p(x | M)}{p(\sigma | M)}$$

Prior distribution

Measures the prob. to obtain the correct model cross sections x if M is true.

BAYES THEOREM

Likelihood function $p(x | \sigma, M) = \frac{p(\sigma | x, M) p(x | M)}{p(\sigma | M)}$ Prior distribution

Assumption: normal distribution of x around x_0 and σ around $y(x)$

In exponential form

$$p(x | \sigma, M) = N \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\sigma - y(x))^T B^{-1} (\sigma - y(x)) - \frac{1}{2} (x_0 - x)^T A_0^{-1} (x_0 - x) \right\}$$

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σ around $y(x)$ normally distributed, if considering

x_0 around x normally distributed, if considering

Uncertainties of experiment

Model Defects

Parameter Uncertainties

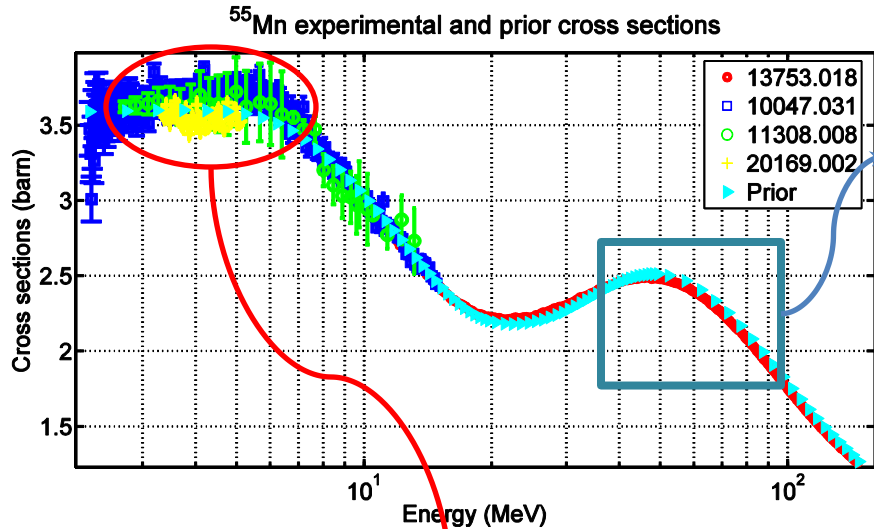
B
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A_0^{MD}

A_0^{PU}

$$\text{Cov}(\sigma_i, \sigma_j) = \int d\sigma_i \int d\sigma_j \int d\sigma_k p(\dots \sigma_i, \sigma_j \dots) (\sigma_i - \langle \sigma_i \rangle) (\sigma_j - \langle \sigma_j \rangle) \leftarrow A_0 = A_0^{MD} + A_0^{PU}$$

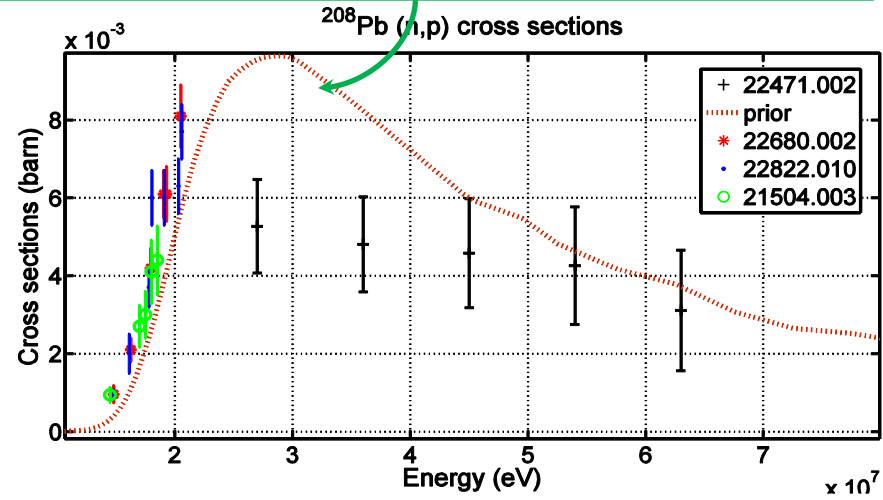
Theory - Experimental uncertainties, Parameter Uncertainties and Model Defects



Model deviates from experimental data due to limited knowledge of model parameters, considered in **Parameter Uncertainties A_0^{PU}**

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Three different experimental data sets which deviate systematically from each other, considered in **uncertainties of experiment B**



Parameter Uncertainties A_0^{PU} :

- account for the limited knowledge of the model parameters a_k
- are calculated by means of Monte Carlo variation of parameters a_k within defined boundaries following different distribution functions

$$A_0^{\text{PU}} = \left\langle \left(\sigma_i(a_k) - \sigma_i \right) \left(\sigma_j(a_1) - \sigma_j \right) \right\rangle$$

- parameter boundaries are chosen relatively broad to conform to the required complete ignorance of prior knowledge.

Model Defects A_0^{MD} :

- account for systematic deviations of the model from the experiment which cannot be corrected by exploiting the whole model parameter space
- formulation should neither be based on experimental data of the isotope in question nor on model information

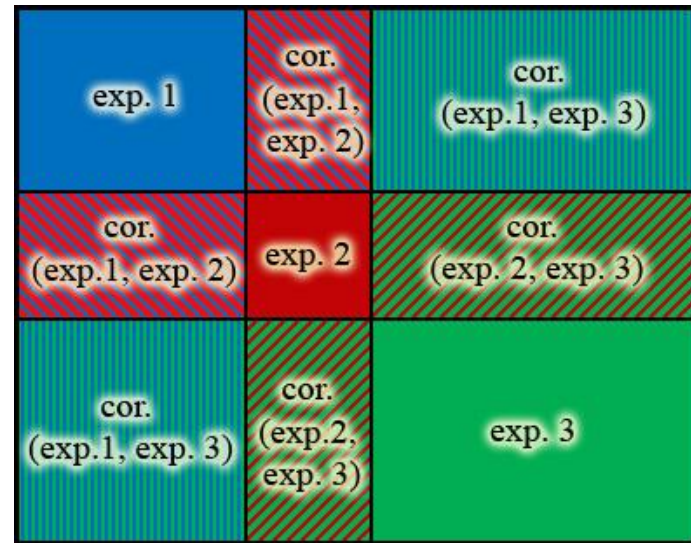
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Experimental uncertainties

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Systematic uncertainties are considered as well *between different experiments* depending on their correlation.

All experiments which are correlated to each other, are part of one **large block covariance matrix**.



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Errors in terms of cross sections

energy

cross section of standard material

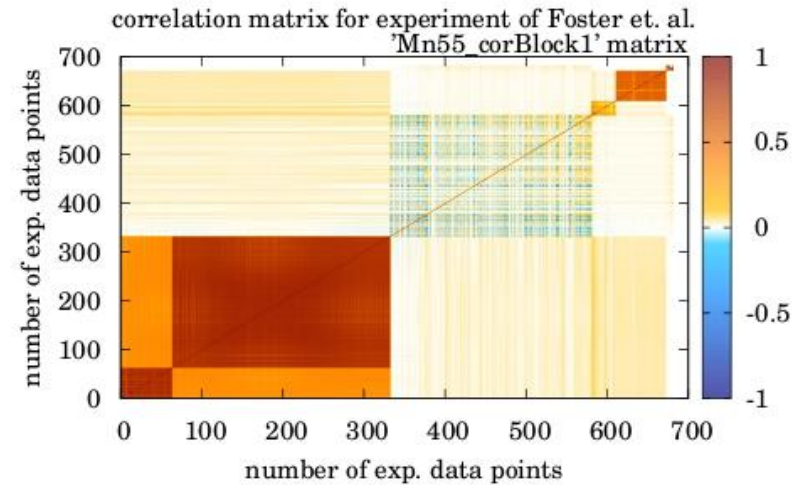
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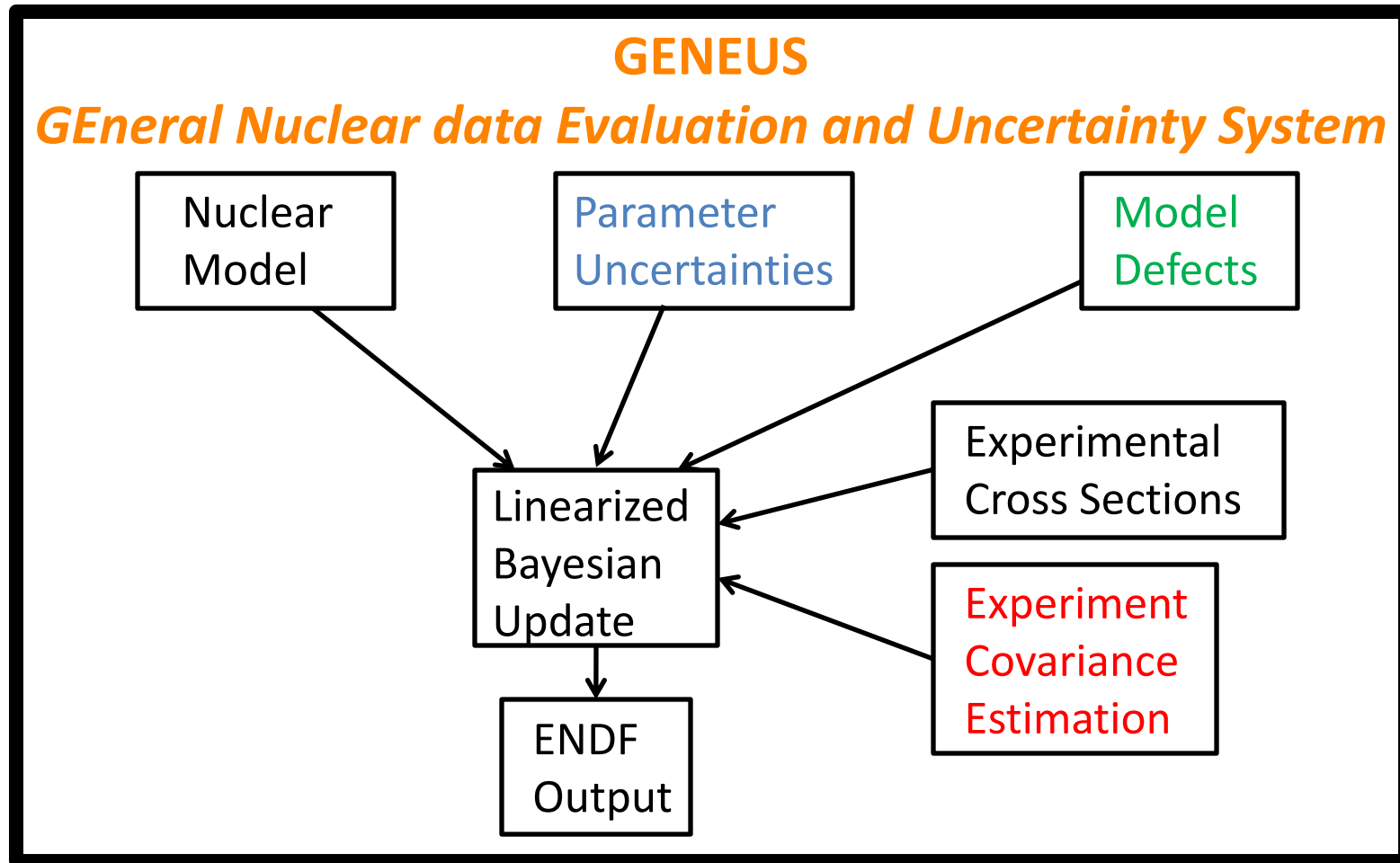
In Geneus, **the linearized version of the Bayes theorem** is implemented

$$\begin{aligned}A_1 &= A_0 - A_0 S^T (S A_0 S^T + B)^{-1} S A_0, \\ \sigma_1 &= \sigma_0 + A_0 S^T (S A_0 S^T + B)^{-1} (\sigma_{\text{Exp}} - \sigma_0 (E_{\text{Exp}})), \\ S &= \frac{\partial \sigma_0 (E_{\text{Exp}})}{\partial \sigma_0}\end{aligned}$$

Every update step corresponds to the inclusion of one large experimental block covariance matrix B.

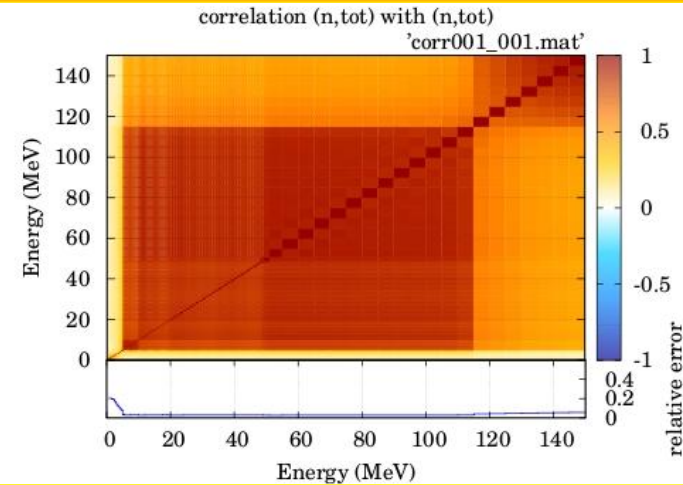
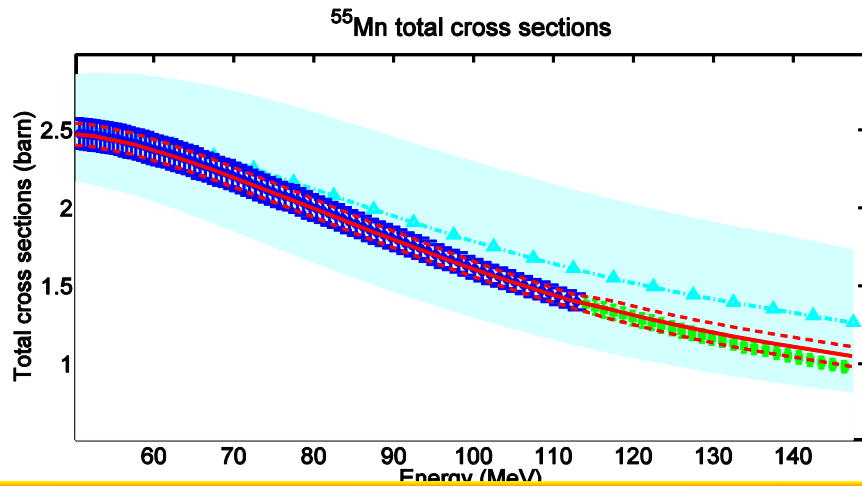
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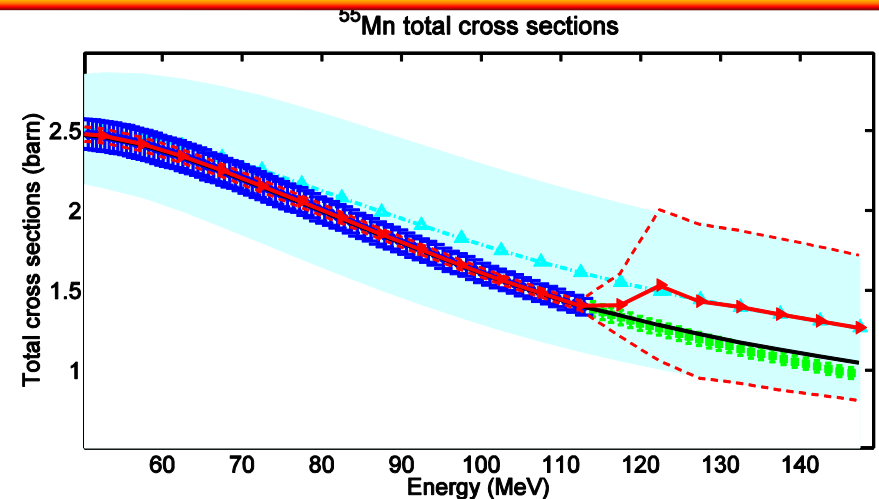
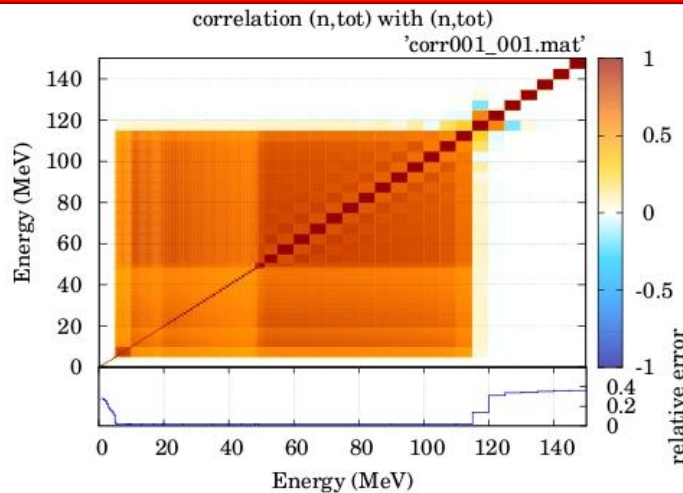


Properties

Predictive Power of the Full Bayesian Technique



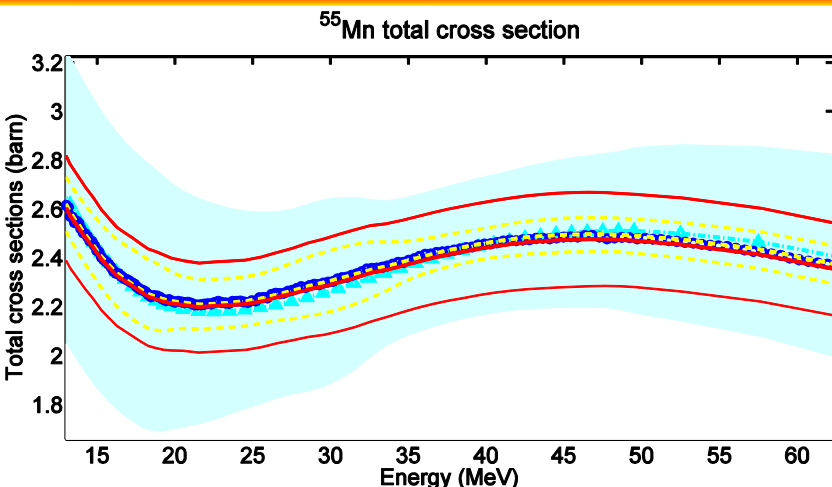
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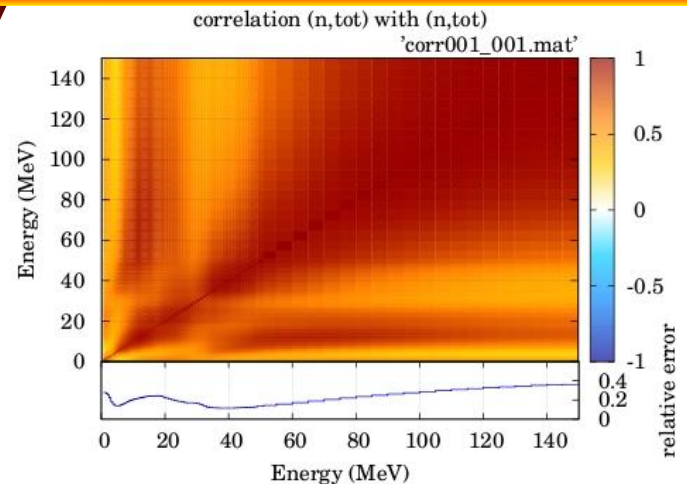
Eval. with
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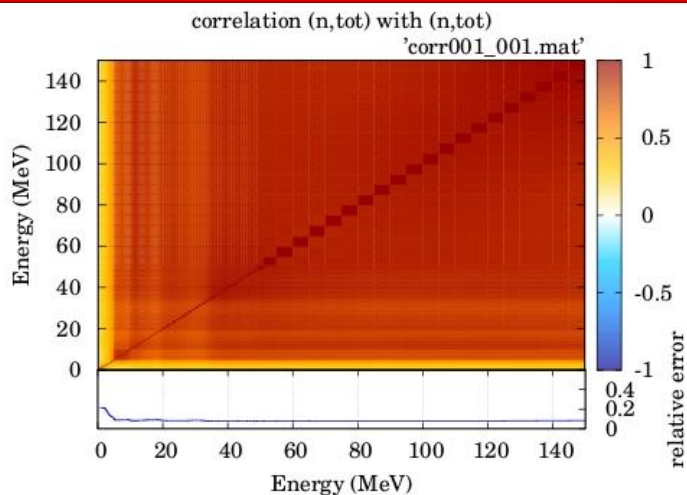
Impact of experimental uncertainties



Cross sections

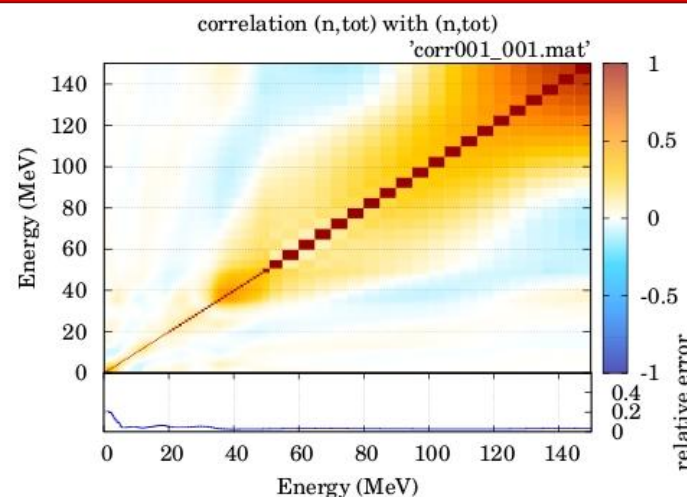


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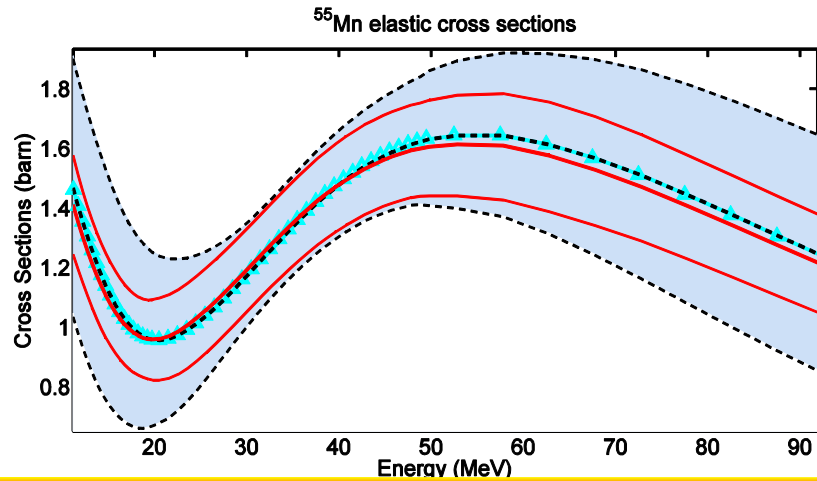
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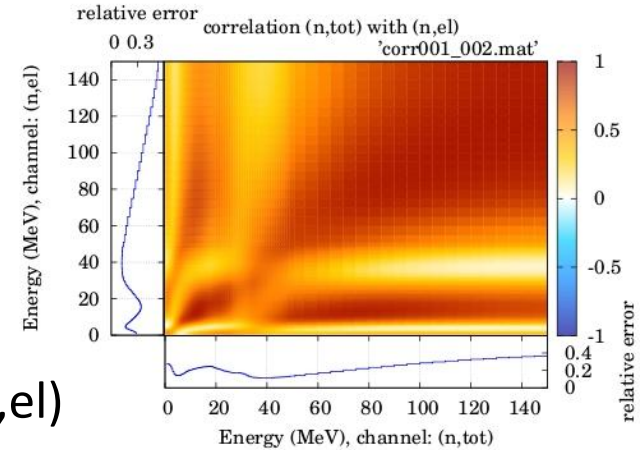


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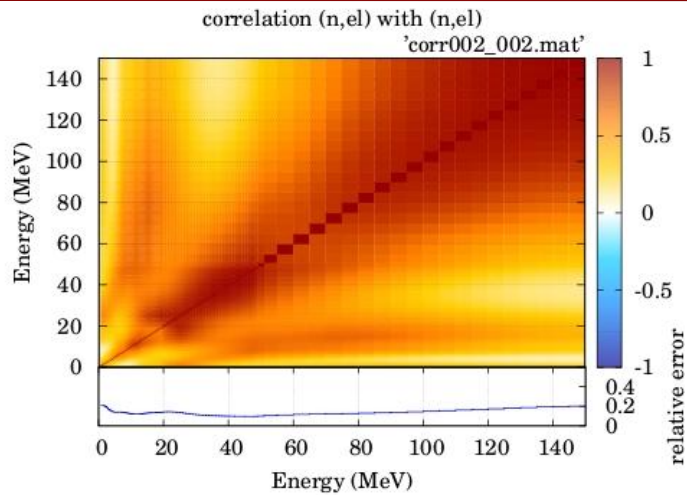
Impact of cross channel correlations



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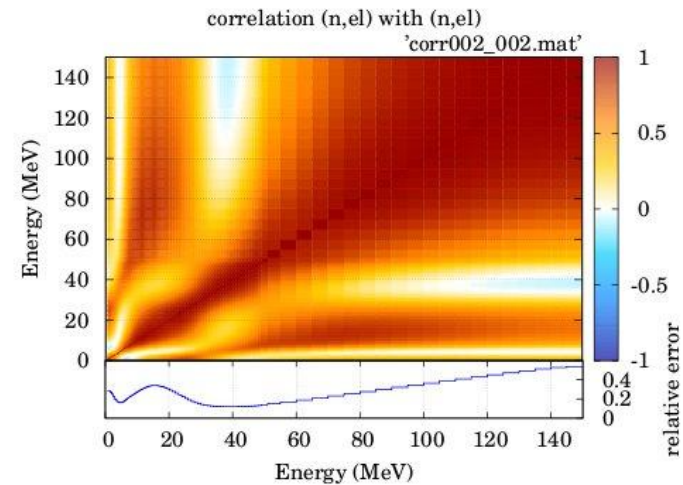


Prior
(n,tot;n,el)



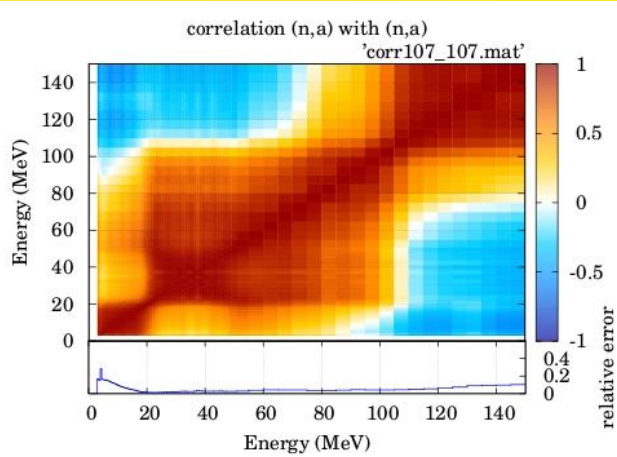
Eval. with full prior

Prior and eval. without prior corr. between channels

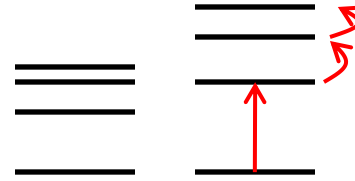


Recent Developments

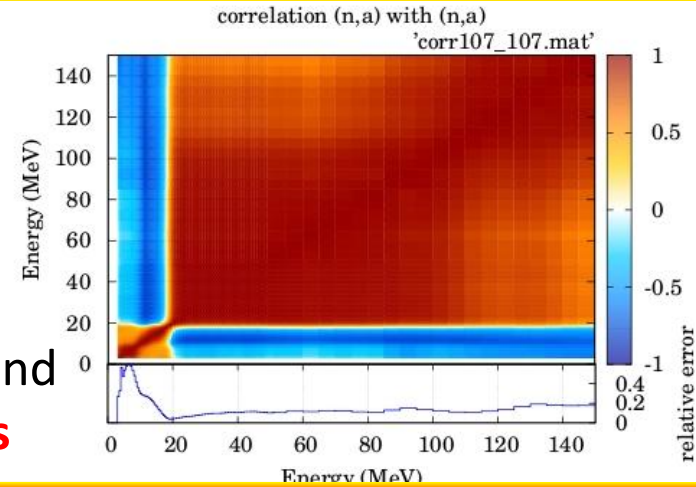
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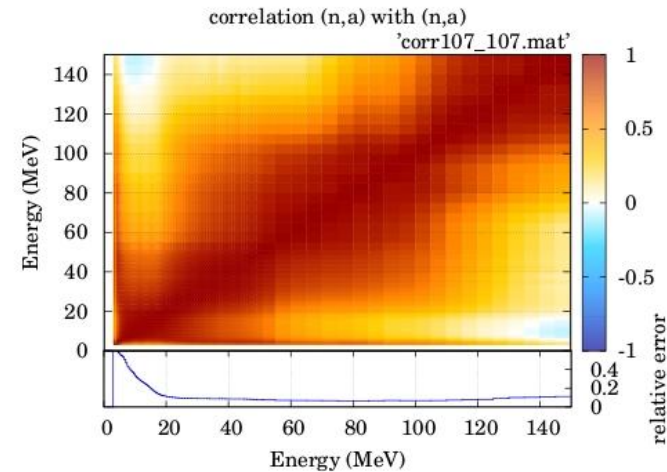
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Varied n-pot and
level densities



Varied n-
and **p-**
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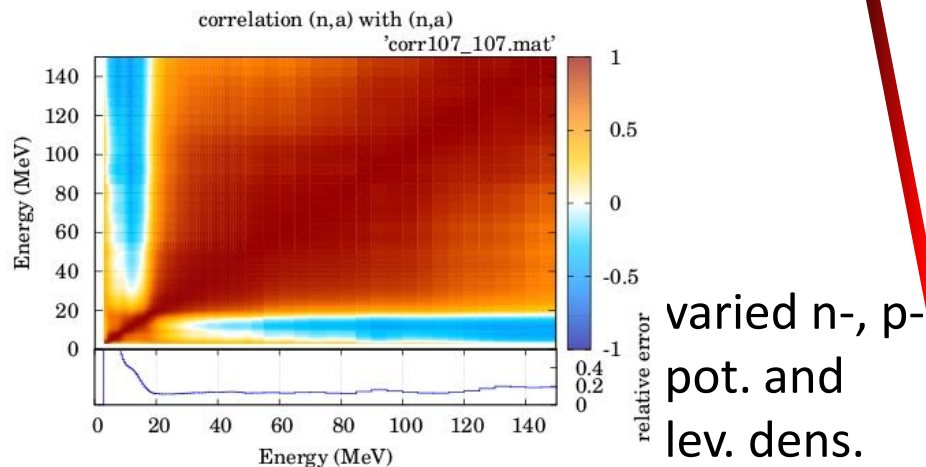


Approximative α -potential of TALYS:

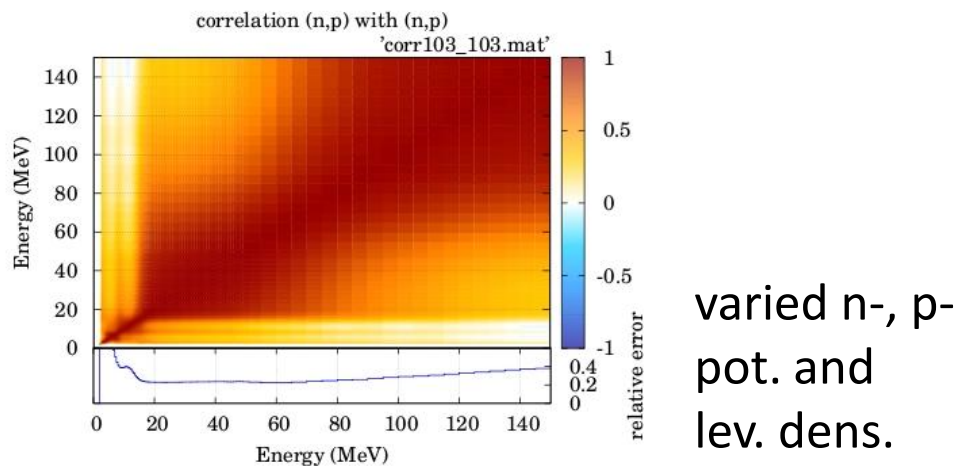
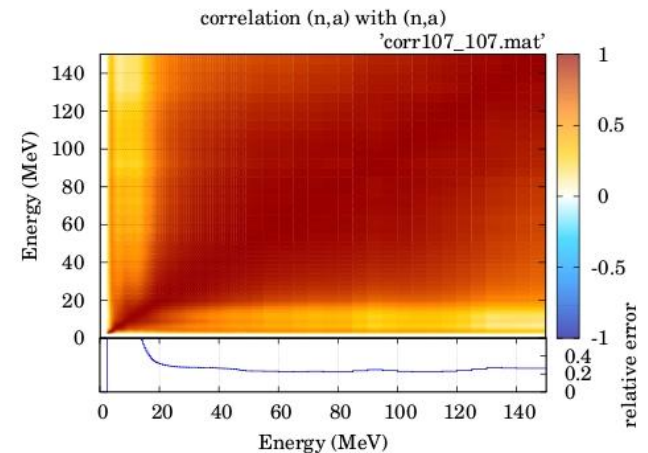
$$V_V^\alpha(E) = \left(2V_V^n(E/4) + 2V_V^p(E/4) \right) v_1^\alpha$$

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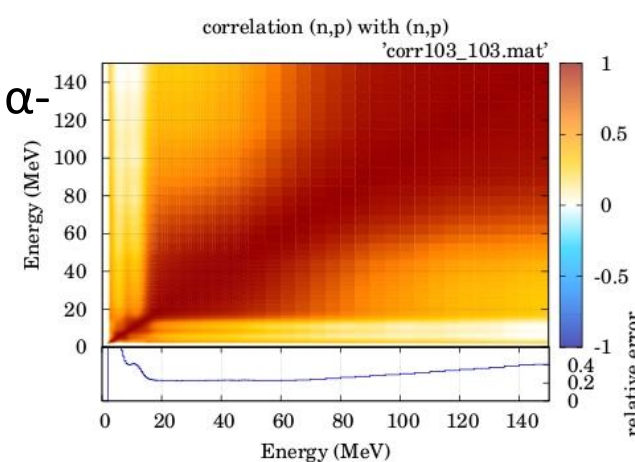
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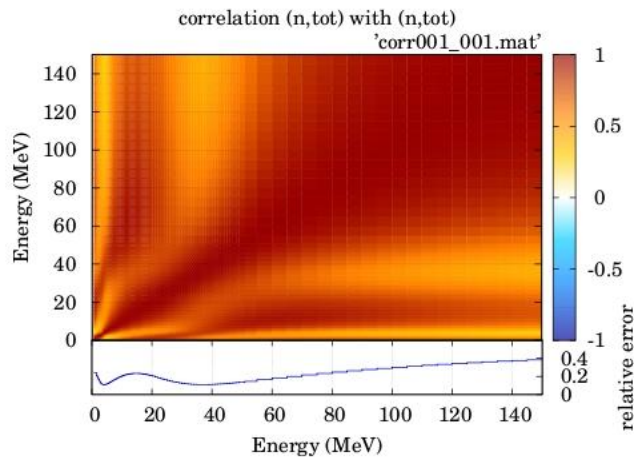


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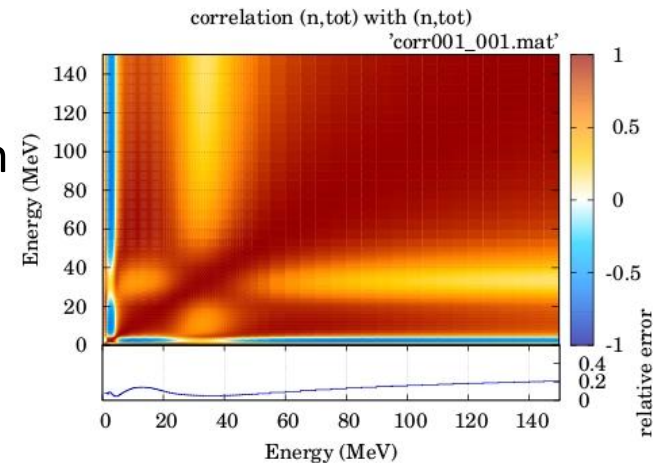
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Distribution functions for Parameter Uncertainties



Uniformly distributed parameters.

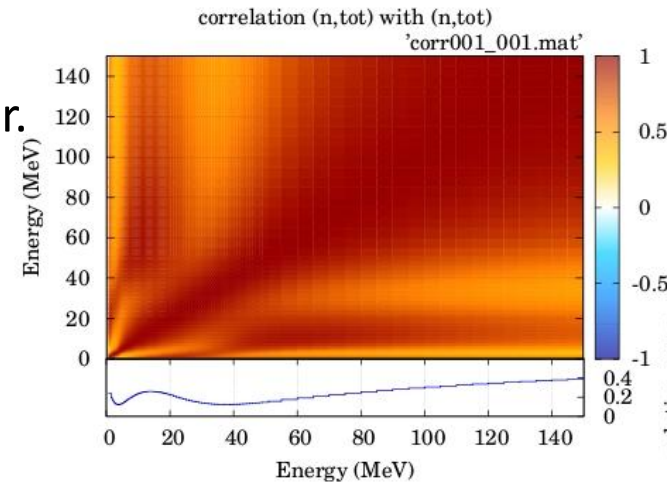
Uniformly distributed parameters with half of the par. intervals.



Maximum entropy distribution:
Can be derived by maximizing

$$S = - \int_{\xi_1^<}^{\xi_1^>} d\xi_1 \dots \int_{\xi_k^<}^{\xi_k^>} d\xi_k p(\vec{\xi}) \ln \left(\frac{p(\vec{\xi})}{m(\vec{\xi})} \right) - \sum_{l=0}^K \lambda_l G_l[p]$$

Maximum entropy distr.



Summary:

- The Full Bayesian Evaluation Technique provides consistent cross sections and uncertainties even beyond the energy range of the actually included experimental data by means of sound prior covariance matrices.
- Experimental uncertainties limit the evaluated ones and have a large impact on the evaluated covariance matrices.
- Considering cross-channel covariance matrices enables experimental data to change cross sections and covariance matrices of different reaction channels.

Outlook:

- Inclusion of fission channel.
- Treatment of differential data.

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Model Defects

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ENDF-Output

Thank you for your attention!