

The Development of Nuclear Data Adjustment Code at CNDC

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1. Introduction

- ✓ Our research on nuclear data adjustment began just when CNDC participated the WPEC/SG33.
- ✓ During SG33, the development of NDAC (Nuclear Data Adjustment Code) was started.
 - Methodology are the same as those illustrated in SG33 report.
 - The format of input files almost the same as those used in SG33 comparison;
 - SG33_plot and ORI codes are developed to prepare data and gnuplot scripts for group constants and covariance matrices.
- ✓ Benchmark exercises were performed to understand the adjustment method.

2. Methodology

- The methodology used at CNDC is based on Maximum Likelihood Method.

$$\sigma' = \sigma + M_{\sigma} S^T (M_{EC} + S M_{\sigma} S^T)^{-1} (E - C)$$

$$= \sigma + M_{\sigma} S^T G^{-1} (E - C)$$

total experiment covariance matrix

$$G = (M_{EC} + S M_{\sigma} S^T)$$

$$C' = C + S M_{\sigma} S^T G^{-1} (E - C)$$

$$M'_{\sigma} = M_{\sigma} - M_{\sigma} S^T G^{-1} S M_{\sigma} = M_{\sigma} (I - S^T G^{-1} S M_{\sigma})$$

$$U = S M_{\sigma} S^T$$

$$U' = S M'_{\sigma} S^T = U - S M_{\sigma} S^T G^{-1} S M_{\sigma} S^T$$

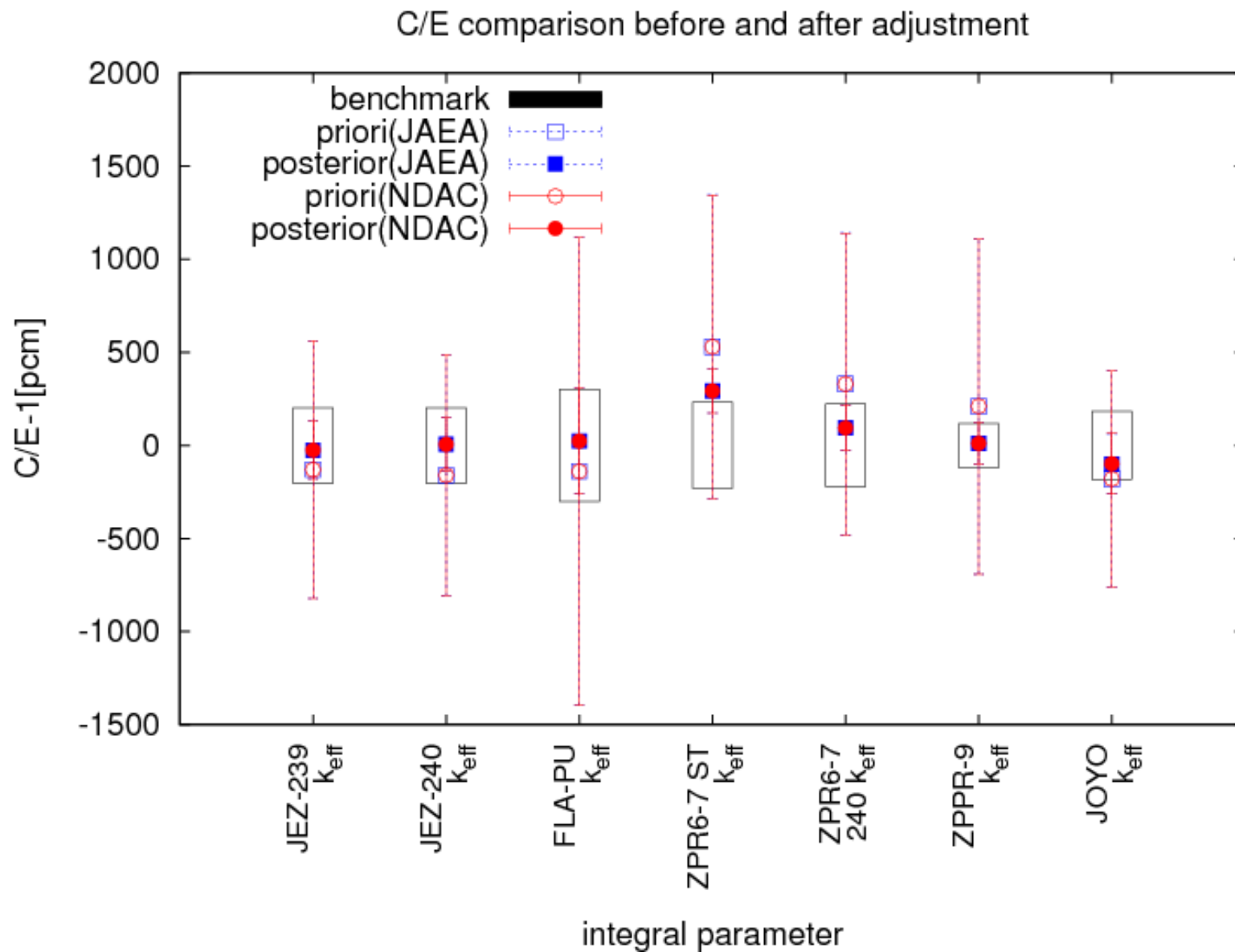
$$\chi^2 = (\sigma - \sigma')^T M_{\sigma}^{-1} (\sigma - \sigma') + (E - C)^T M_{EC}^{-1} (E - C)$$

$$\chi'^2 = (E - C)^T G^{-1} (E - C)$$

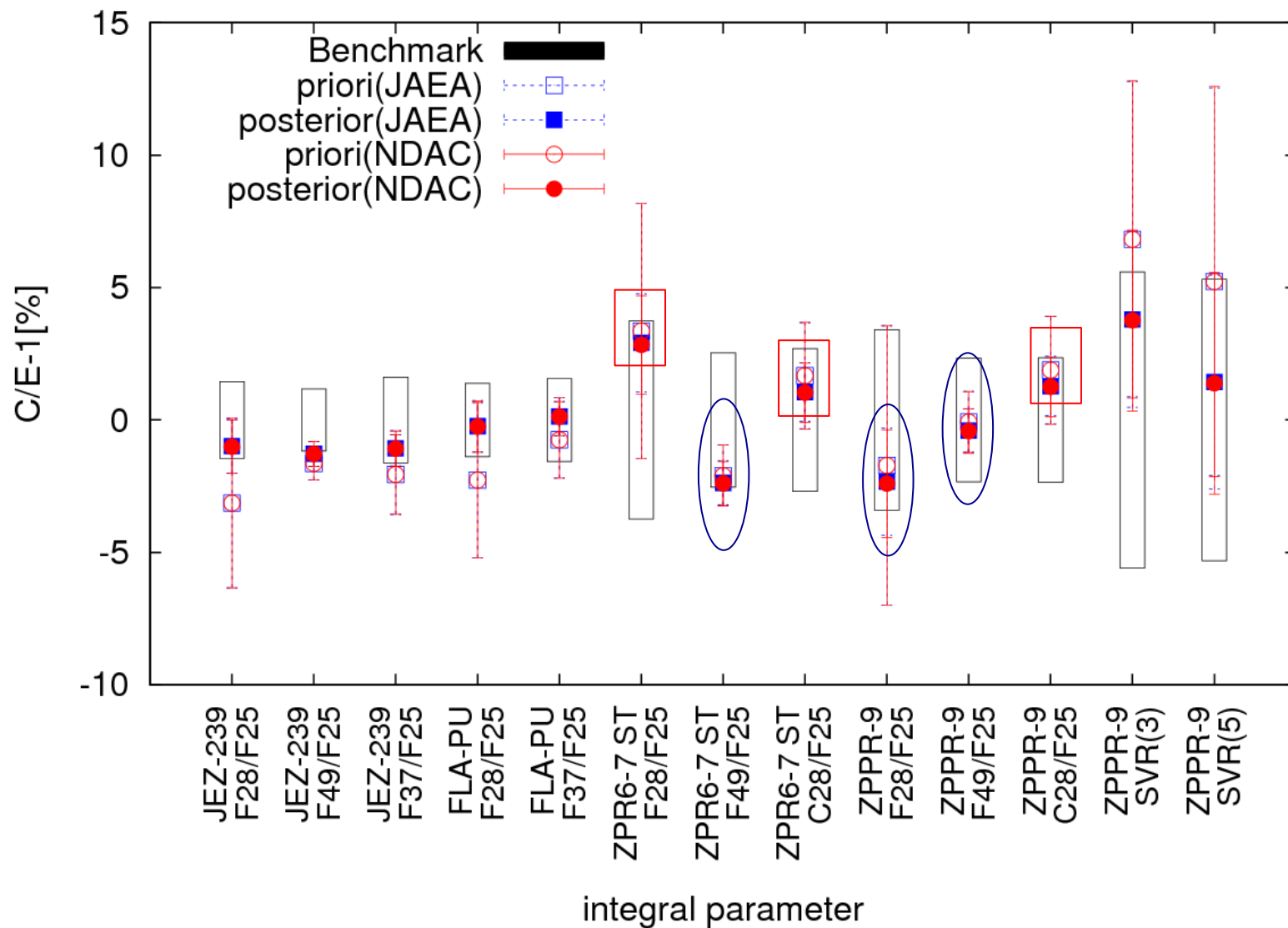
Same as reported in SG33 final report

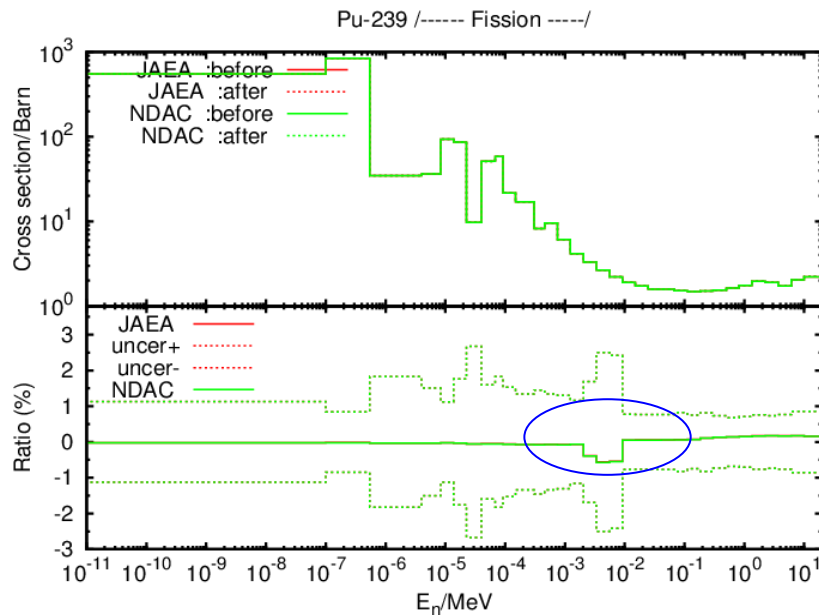
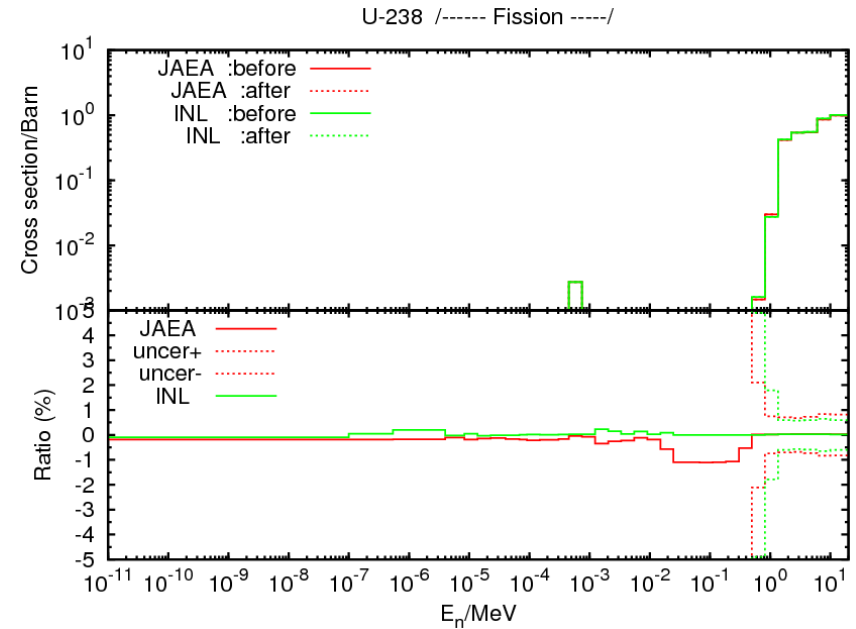
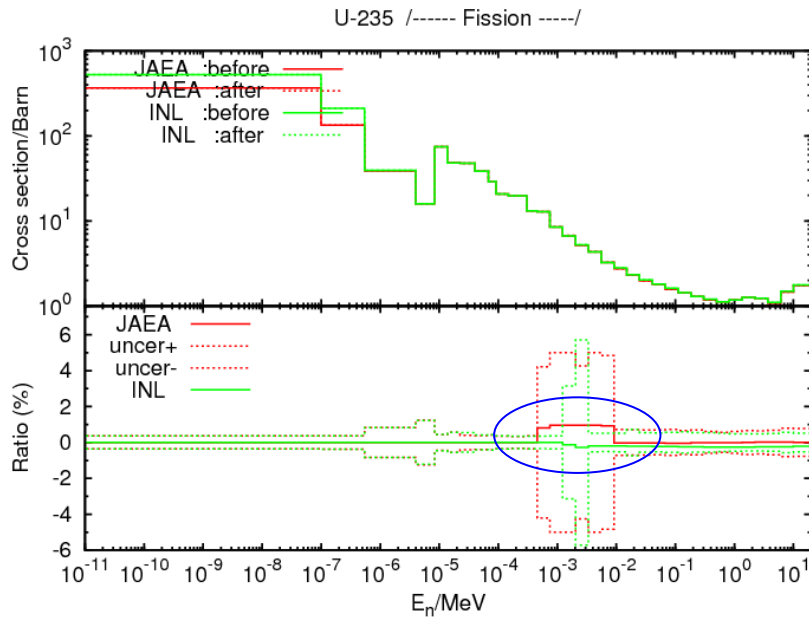
3. Trial calculation

- **NDAC was tested with JAEA inputs**
- **11 isotope**
 - ^{10}B , ^{16}O , ^{23}Na , ^{52}Cr , ^{56}Fe , ^{58}Ni , $^{235,238}\text{U}$, $^{239,240,241}\text{Pu}$
- **8 Reactions**
 - (n, el), (n, inl), (n, disappearance), (n, f), Nu-total, Chi-p, Mu, Nu-delay.
- **Covariance: JENDL-4.0**
- **20 Integral data**
 - JEZEBEL-Pu239 (k_{eff} , F28/F25, F49/F25, F37/F25), -Pu240 (k_{eff}), FLATTOP-Pu (k_{eff} , F28/F25, F37/F25), ZPR-6/7 (k_{eff} , F28/F25, F49/F25, C28/F25), -High Pu240 (k_{eff}), ZPPR-9 (k_{eff} , F28/F25, F49/F25, C28/F25, Na void reactivity (Step 3, 5)), JOYO Mk-I (k_{eff}) .

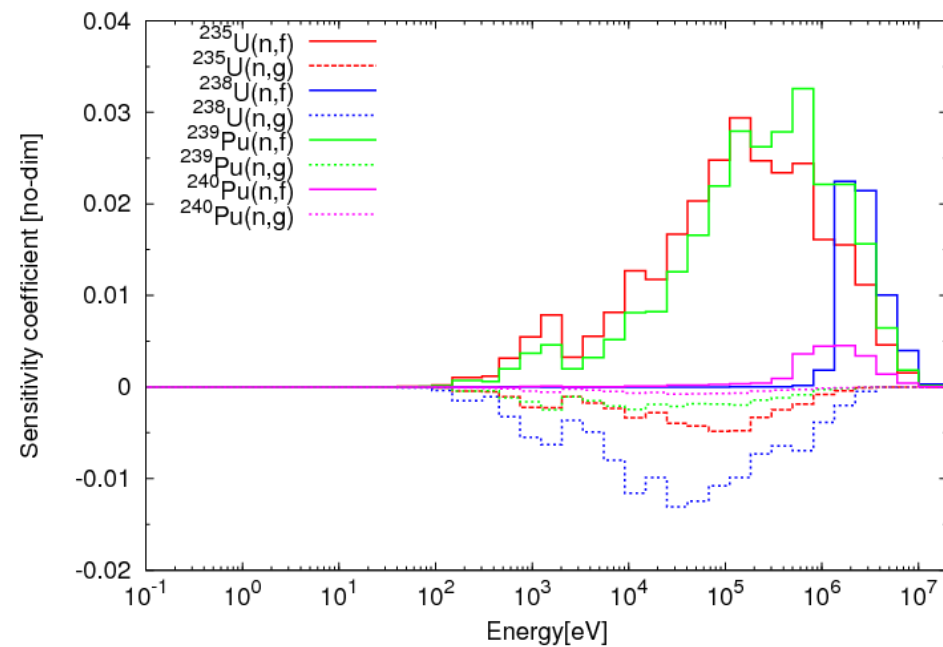
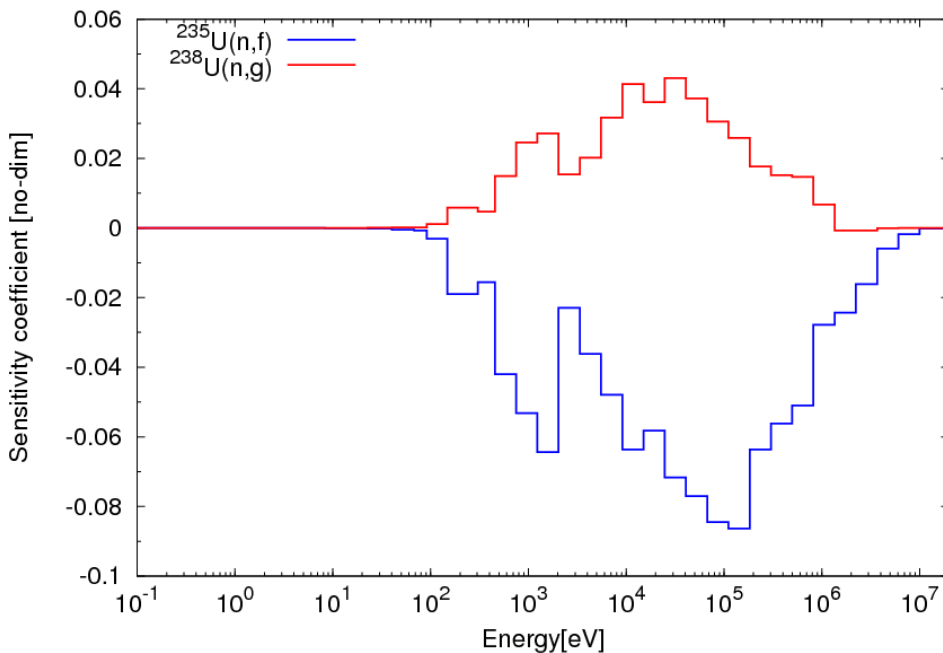


C/E comparison before and after adjustment





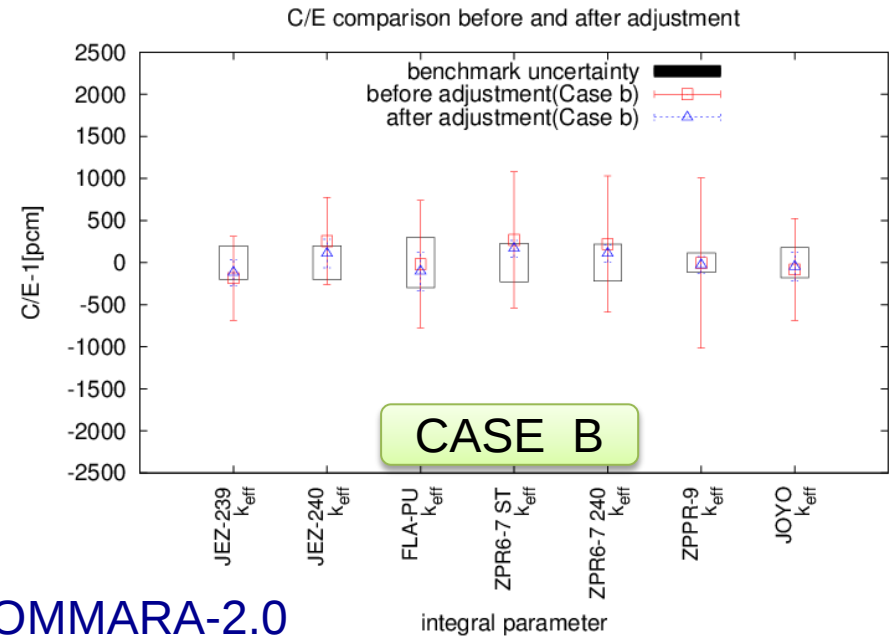
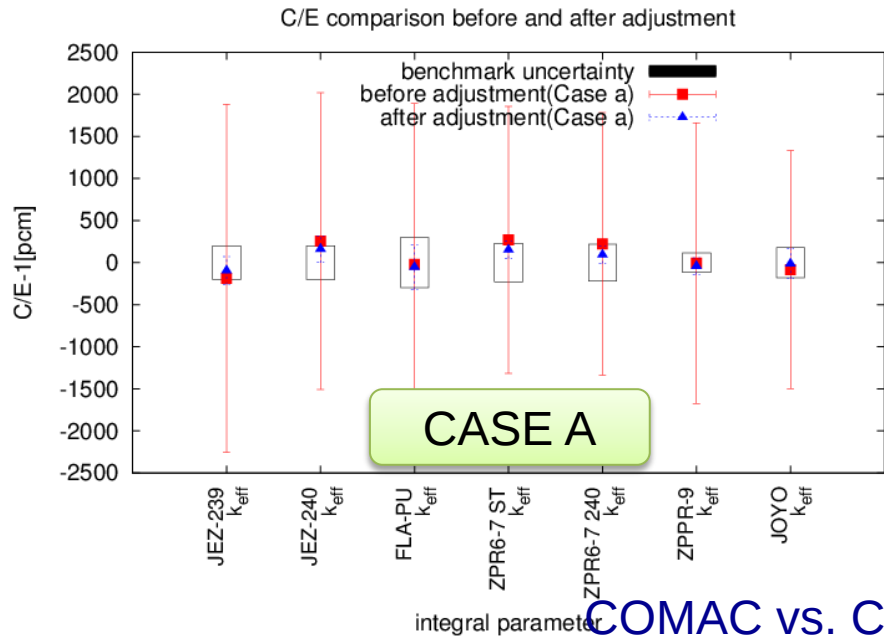
The decrease of ZPR6-7 F49/F25, ZPPR9 F28/F25 and F49/F25 reaction ratios are mainly caused by the increasing of $^{235}\text{U}(n,f)$ in 1~10 keV region.



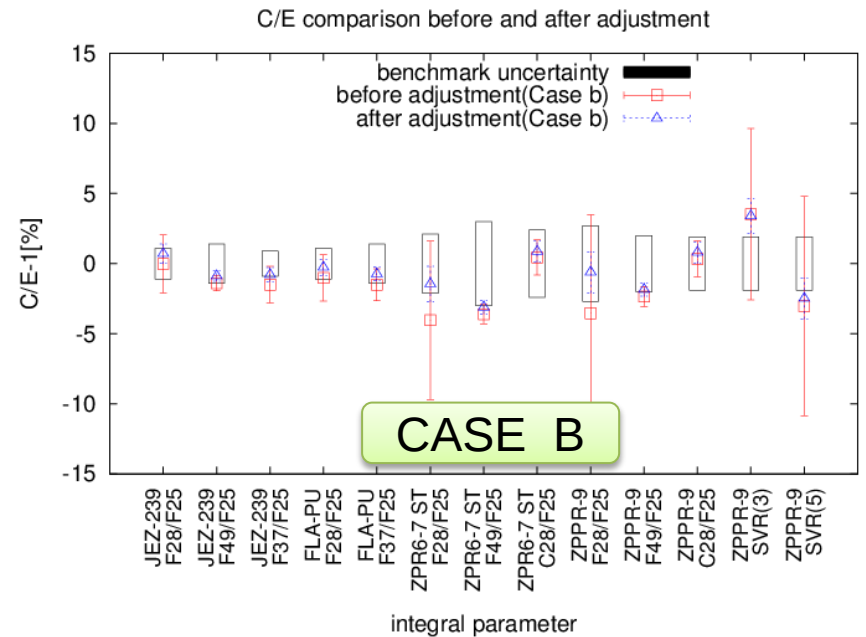
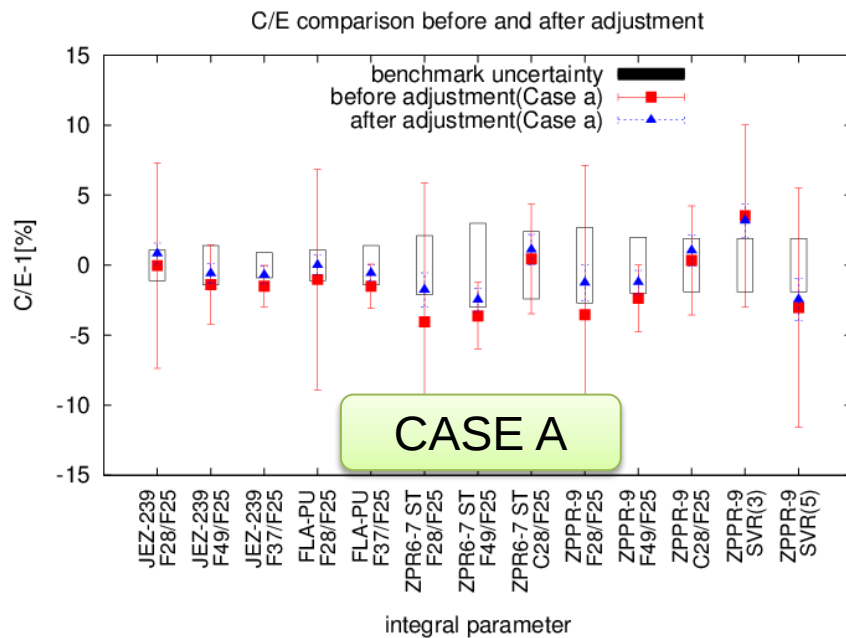
- No benchmark with strong k_{eff} sensitivities to $^{235}\text{U}(n,f)$ cross section in several keV region was included in adjustment.
- **Lesson: missing essential constraints, adjusted results can be driven to anywhere not expected.**
 - Integral benchmarks sensitive to specific energy region/ cross sections;
 - Too larger uncertainty in priori group constants for certain cross sections.
 - Missing covariance for certain ingredient which is responsible for the under estimation of F49/F25 , et al.
- ✓ **Missing essential constraints always lead to compensation errors!**

4. Preliminary study on input parameters

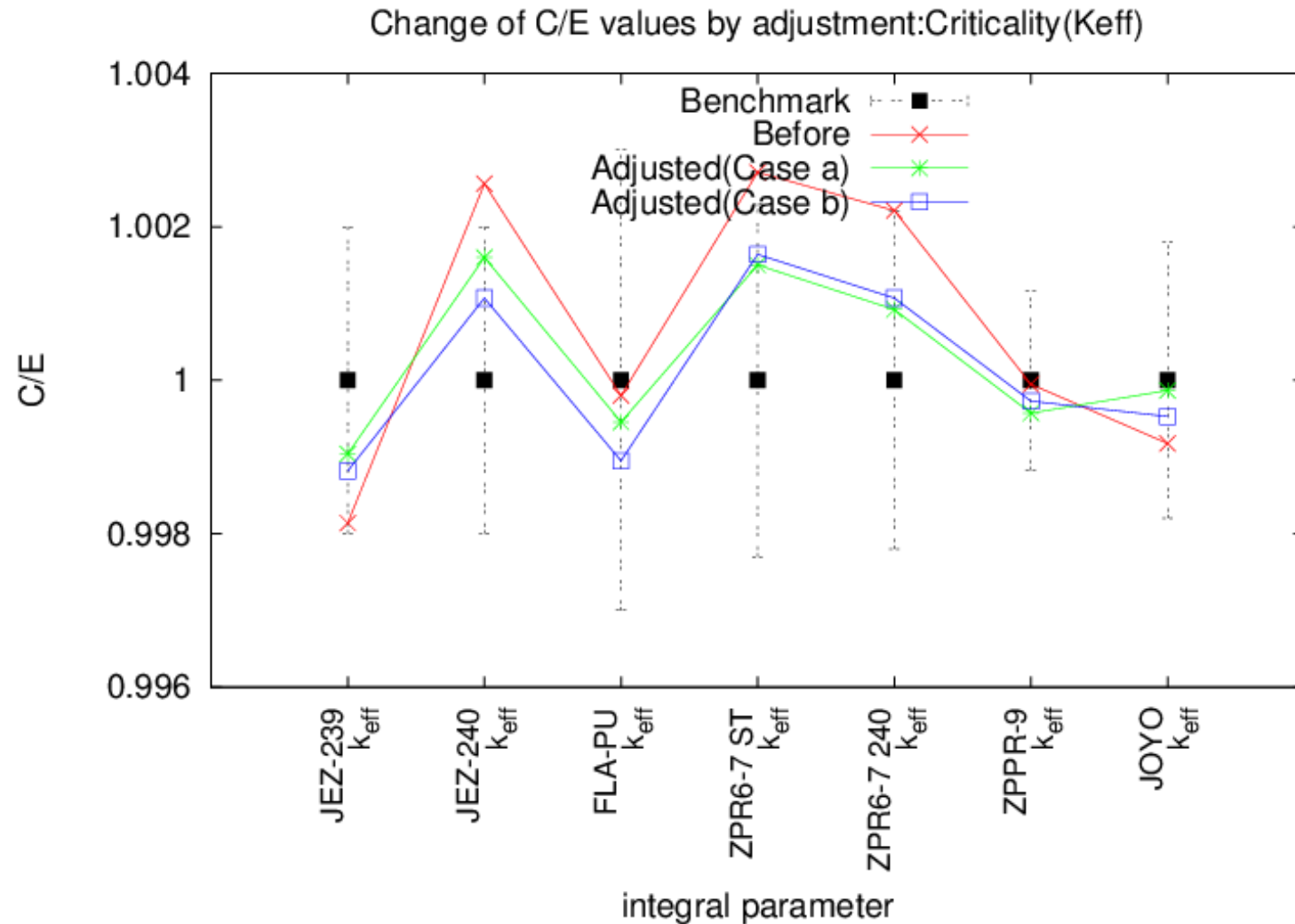
- **Replace one kind of parameters at a time, try to find out the influence of**
 - Covariance of group constants, sensitivities, covariance of integral quantities
- **Case A & B**
 - Group constants : JEFF3.1.1; Sensitivity : CEA/ERANOS
 - Covariance: COMAC vs. COMMARA-2.0
- **Case C & D**
 - Group constants: ENDF/B-7.0; Covariance : COMMARA-2.0
 - Sensitivity: INL vs. KAERI
- **Case E & F**
 - Group constants: JENDL-4.0; Sensitivity : JENDL-4.0
 - Correlation of Integral quantities: Yes vs. No.

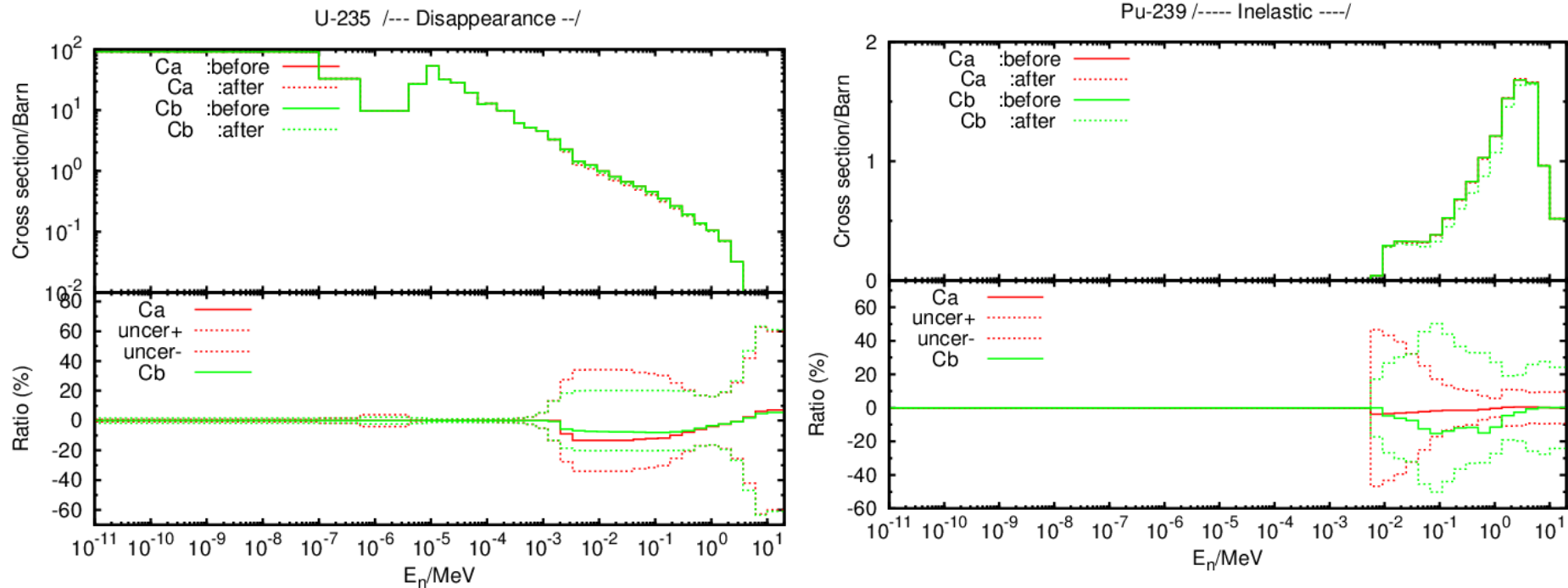


COMAC vs. COMMARA-2.0



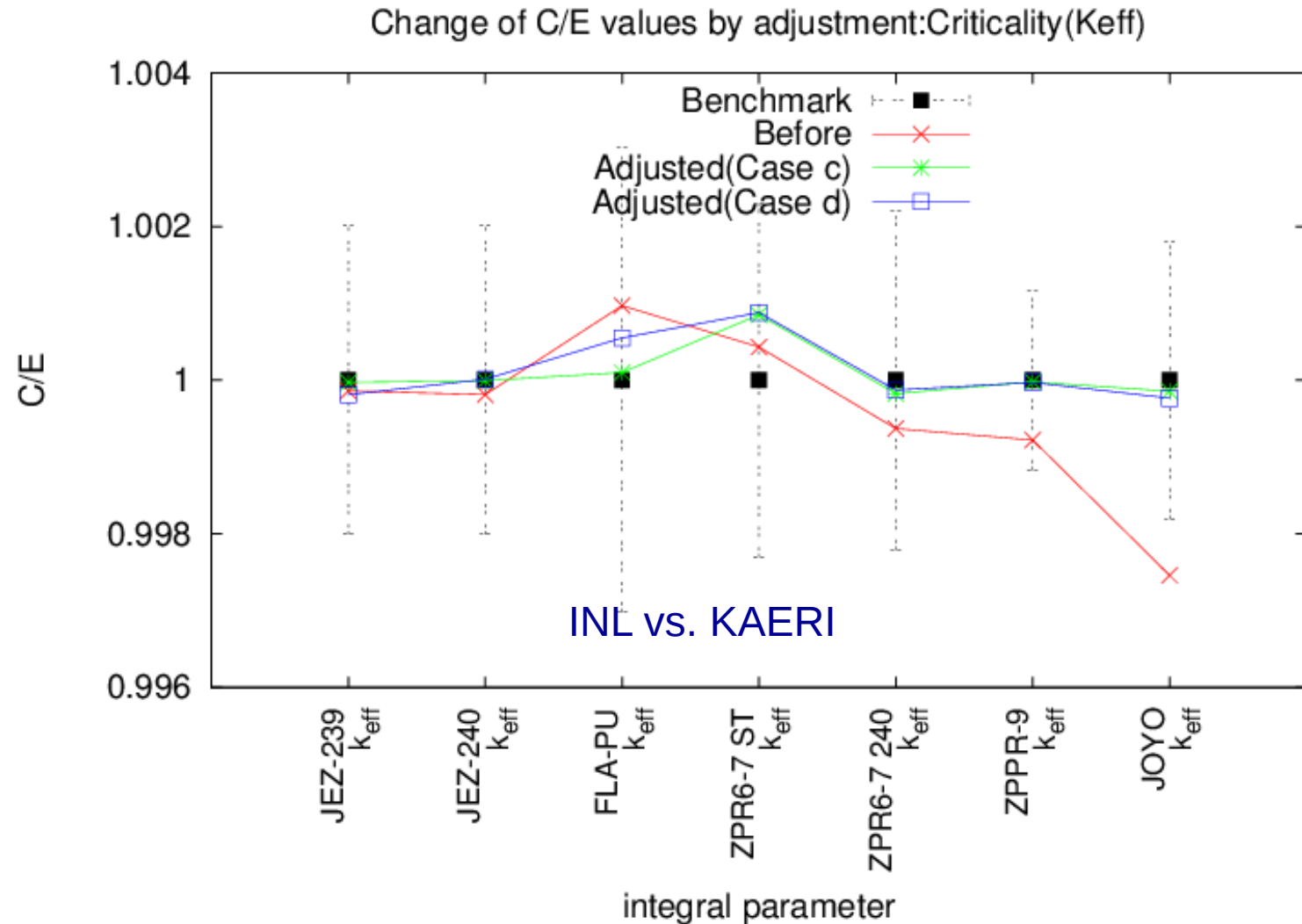
CaseA&B: Replace correlation coefficients of group constants

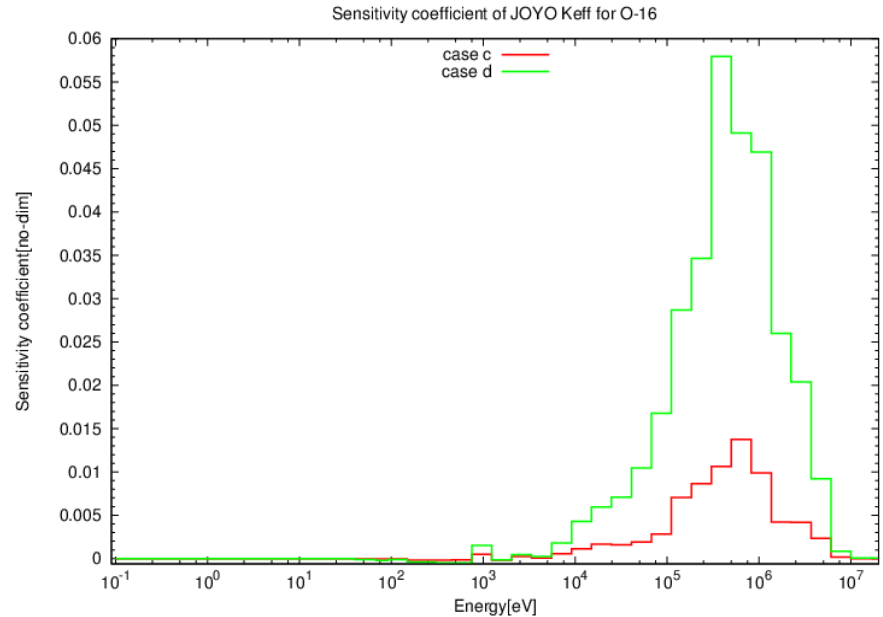
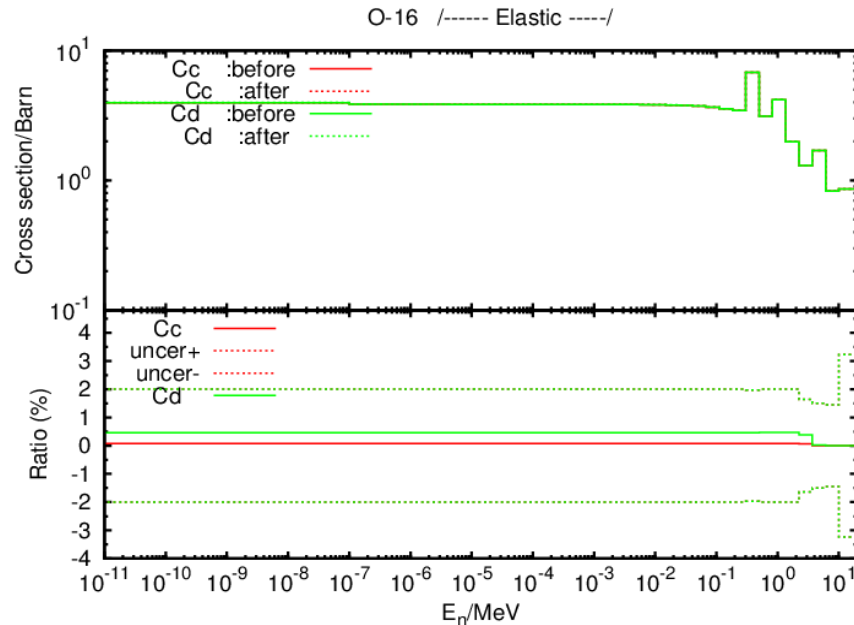




1. With different priori covariance of group constants , the adjusted integral C/E values and uncertainties are quite similar, because differential-parameter covariance matrix $SM_0S^T \gg$ integral-parameter covariance matrix M_{EC} ;
2. But the alteration of the cross sections are different.
Larger uncertainties are corresponding to larger alternations.

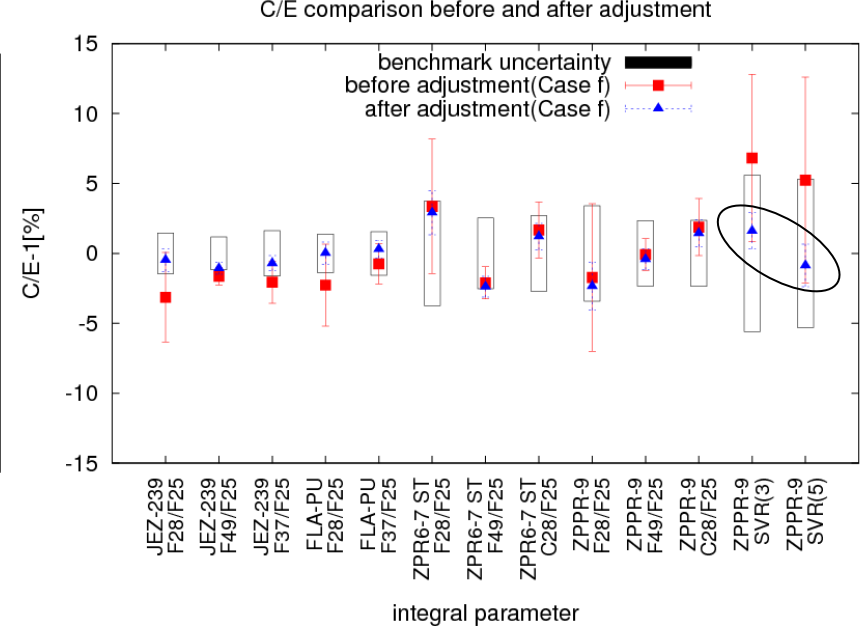
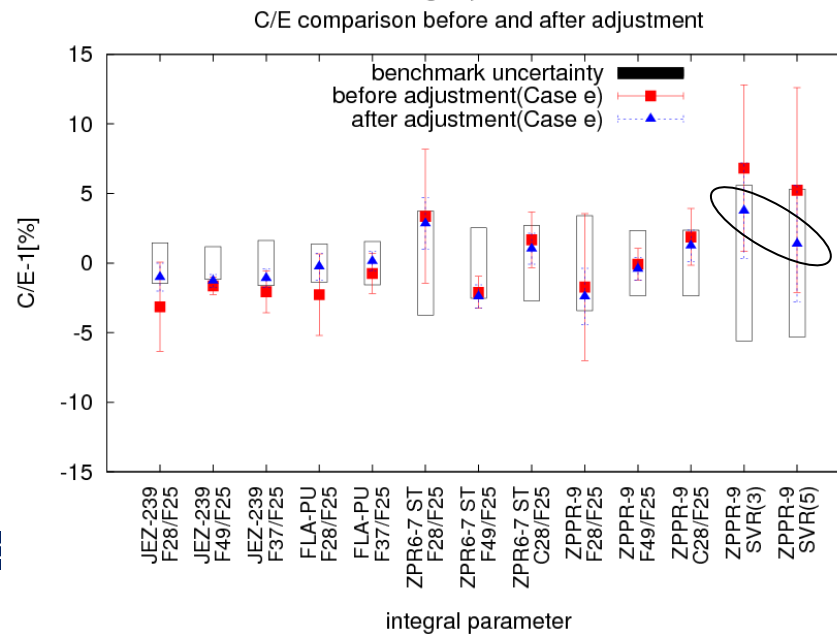
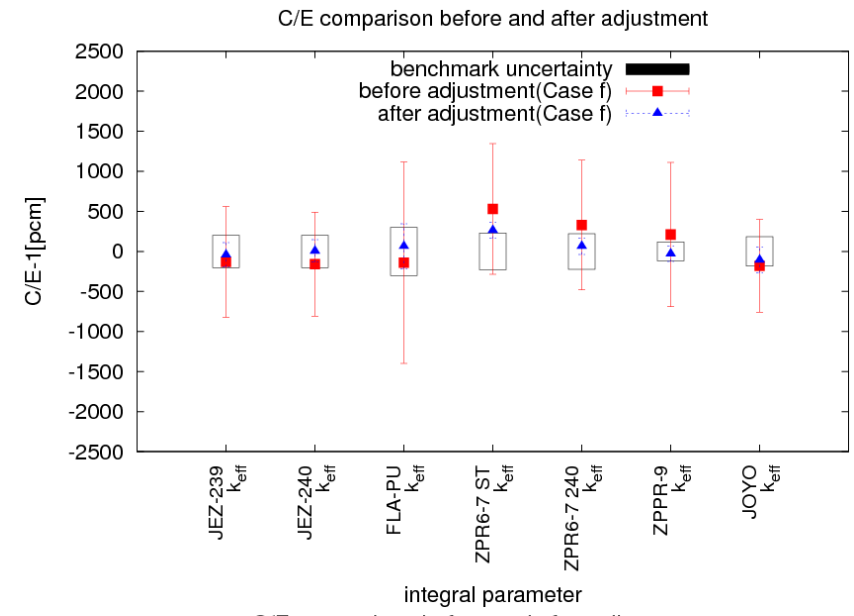
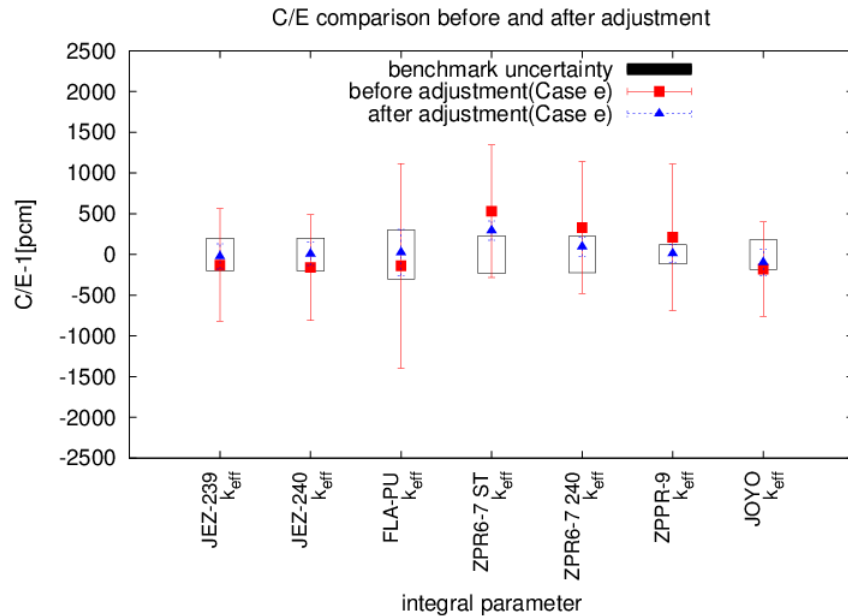
Case C&D: Replace sensitivities

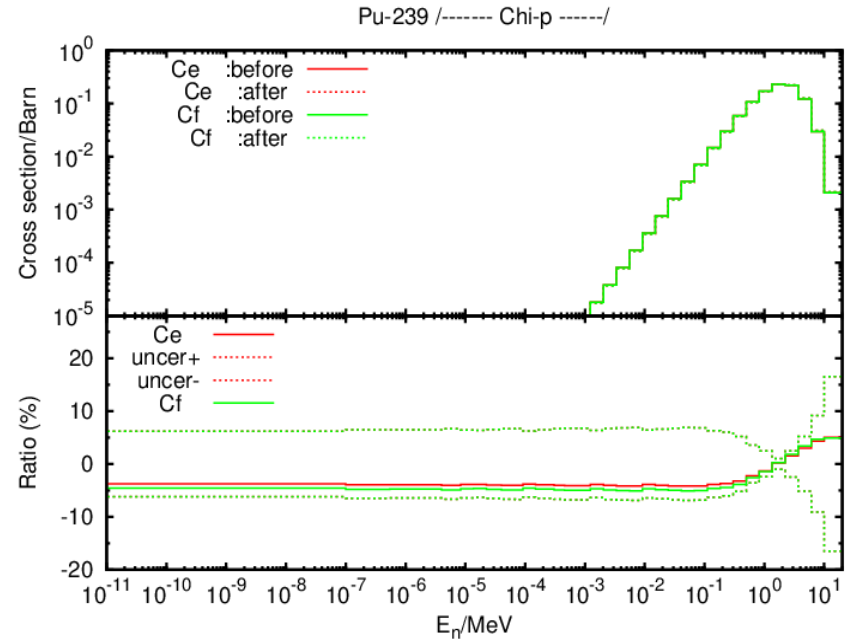
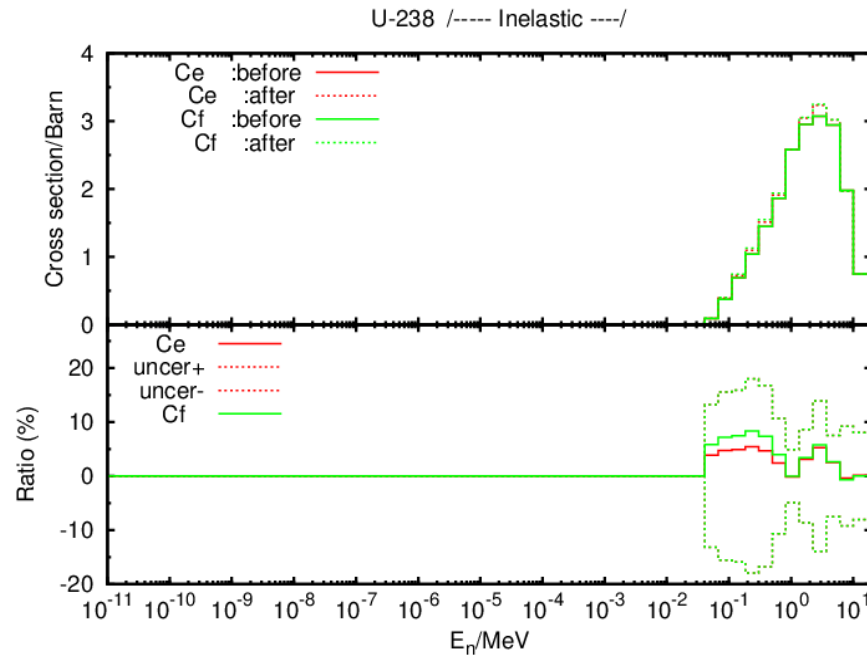




1. With different sensitivity matrices, the adjusted integral C/E values are quite similar, because the influence of integral-parameter covariance matrix M_{EC} is still dominant.
2. But the alteration of the cross sections are different.
Larger sensitivities are corresponding to larger alternations.

Case E&F: with and without the correlation of integral experiments





1. With and without the correlation of integral experiments, the adjusted integral C/E values and uncertainties are quite similar, except for SVR.
2. The correlation of integral experiments do show some impact on adjustment results.

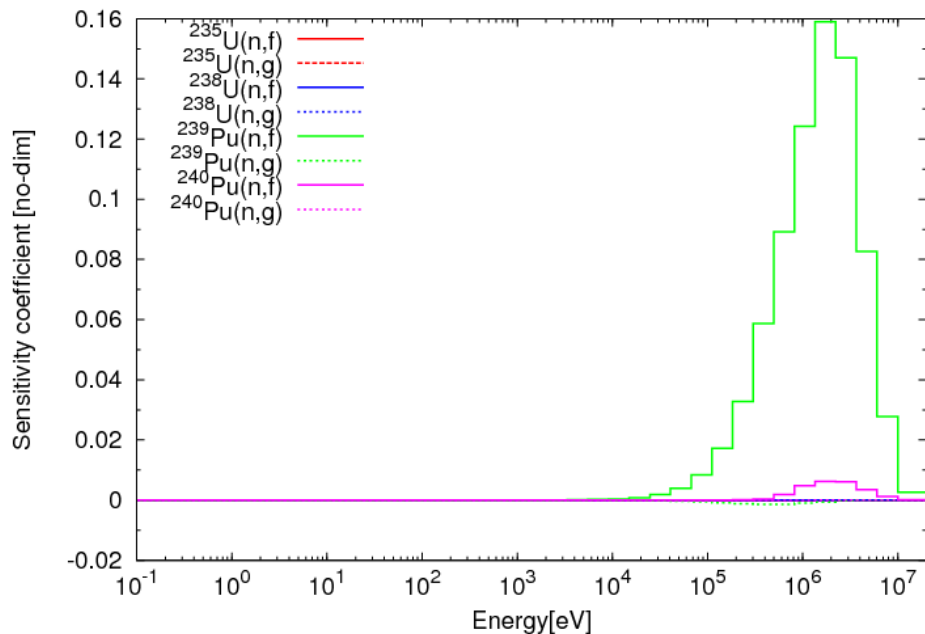
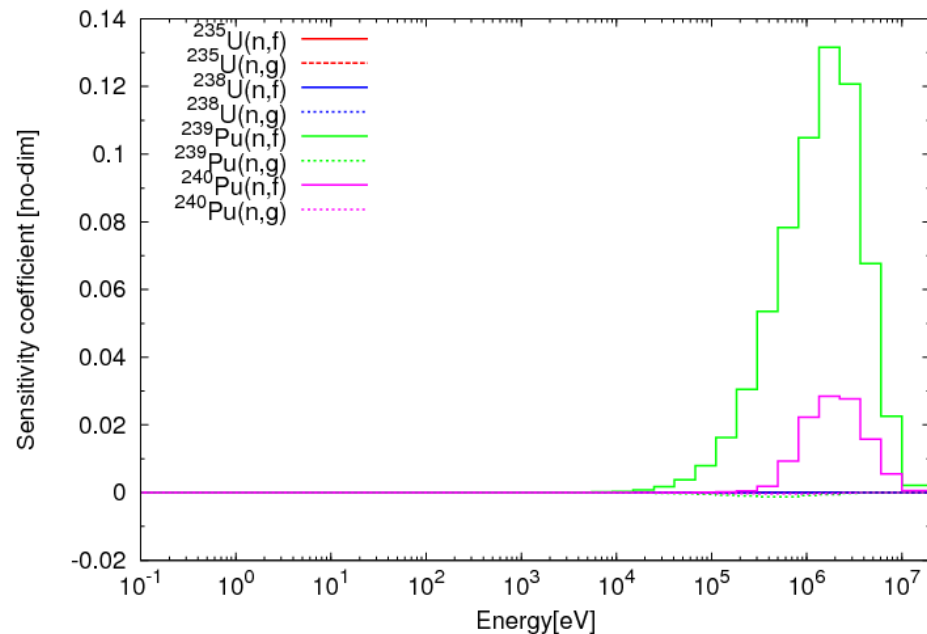
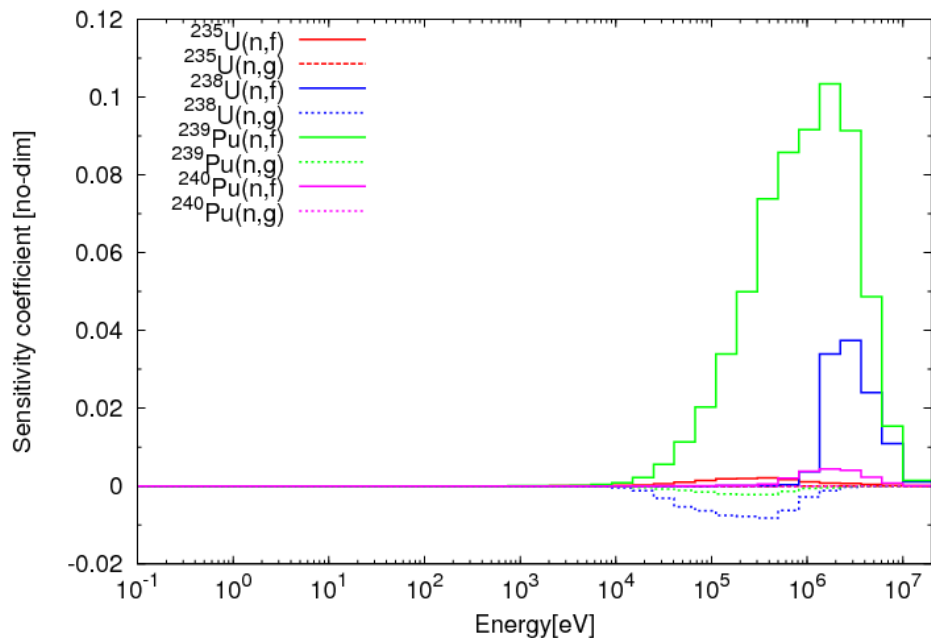
5. Discussion on applying nuclear data adjustment method to provide quantitative feedbacks to evaluators

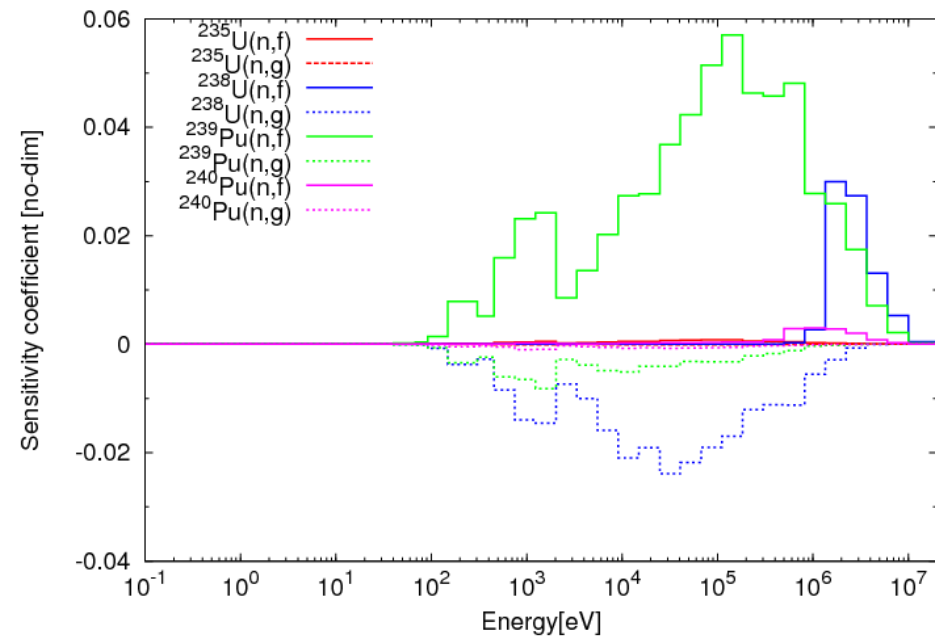
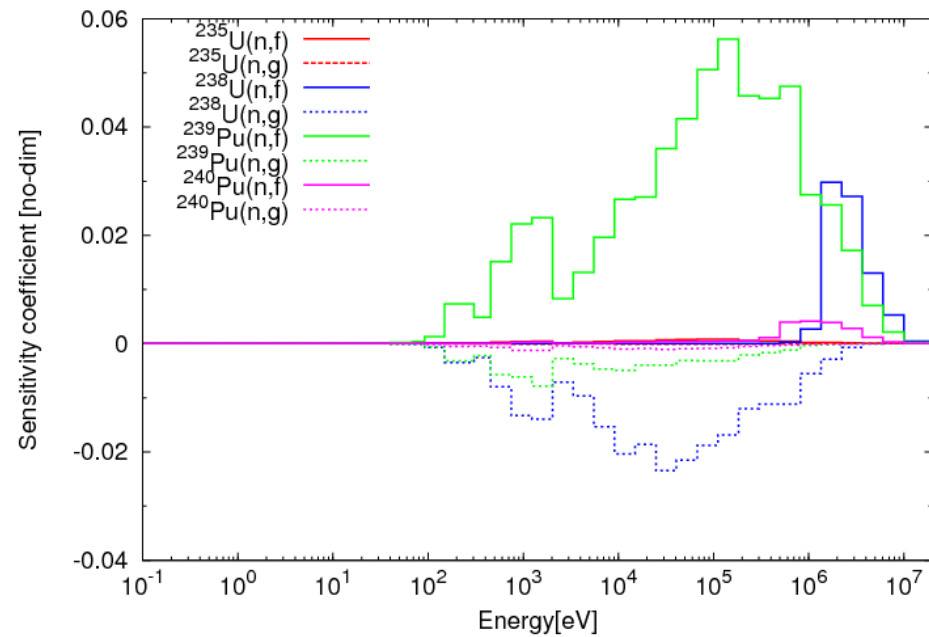
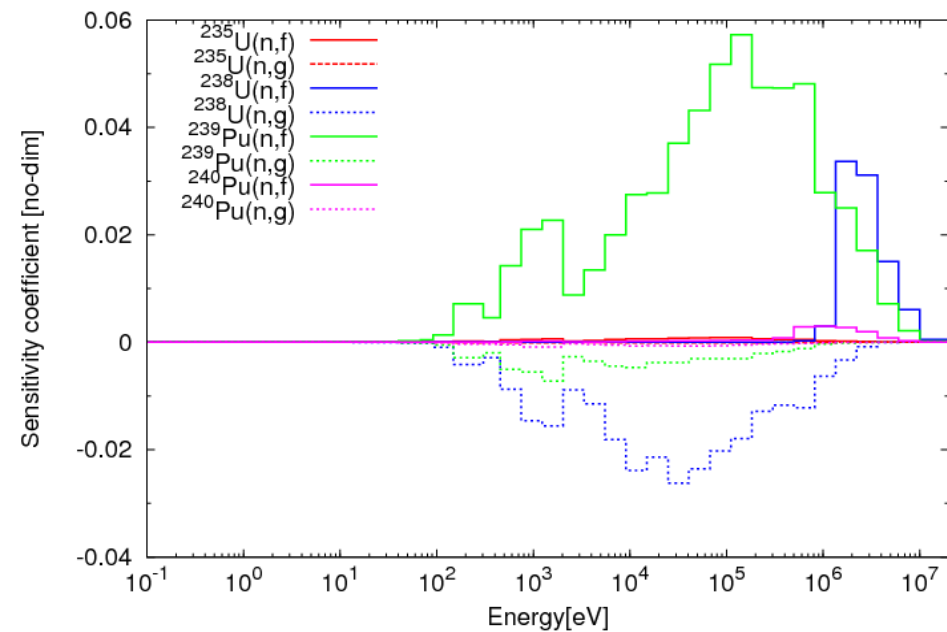
- **All ingredient in adjustment affect the results**
 - Integral part: benchmark sets, integral quantities and their correlations, uncertainties of calculation methods, sensitivities, et al;
 - Differential part: covariance for all components of the nuclear data library, including cross sections, angular distributions , energy spectra, double differential spectra, resonance parameters, nubar, branches, et al.
- **Missing essential constraints, adjusted results can be driven to somewhere we don't expected and always lead to compensation errors.**

- **To have an easy understand, applying nuclear data adjustment method to provide quantitative feedbacks to evaluators can be translated to the follow questions**
 - If we want to tell where a flood should go beyond the dyke, we have to illustrate all the landform outside the dyke.
 - Does it possible to describe the landform in multi-dimension space for GLS adjustment?
 - How precisely we can make this landform map?
 - Do we have enough benchmarks? No.
 - Are we able to calculate all the sensitivities? Not yet.
 - Do we have all the covariance matrices of microscopic and macroscopic data? Not yet.
- **There is still a long way to go.**



Thank you for your attention !

JEZEBEL-239, k_{eff} JEZEBEL-240, k_{eff} FLATTOP-Pu, k_{eff} 

ZPR6-7, k_{eff} ZPR6-7 Pu240, k_{eff} ZPPR-9, k_{eff} JOYOMK-1, k_{eff} 