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XGPT: Sensitivity, Uncertainty Quantification, and Data Assimilation using Monte Carlo

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Generalized Perturbation Theory (GPT)

Available in deterministic codes from the 60s (Gandini, 1967?)

GPT in Serpent not discussed in details. Presented here at the 2014 JEFF WEEK

You can have a look at **Annals of Nuclear Energy**, 85, 2015. *A collision history...*

eXtended Generalized Perturbation Theory (XGPT)

Newly developed. Only possible in MC codes.

Continuous energy approach. No multi-group discretization.

First results of XS adjustment via XGPT

Is it possible to produce adjusted continuous energy XS?



Generalized Perturbation Theory capabilities

Effect of a perturbation of the parameter x on the response R :

$$S_x^R \equiv \frac{dR/R}{dx/x}$$

Considered response functions:

$R = k_{\text{eff}}$ Effective multiplication factor

$R = \frac{\langle \Sigma_1, \phi \rangle}{\langle \Sigma_2, \phi \rangle}$ Reaction rate ratios

$R = \frac{\langle \phi^\dagger, \Sigma_1 \phi \rangle}{\langle \phi^\dagger, \Sigma_2 \phi \rangle}$ Bilinear ratios (Adjoint-weighted quantities)

$R = \frac{E[e_1]}{E[e_2]}$ Something else



Generalized response functions

If the quantity R can be estimated as the ratio of two generic Monte Carlo responses

$$R = \frac{E[e_1]}{E[e_2]}$$

the sensitivity coefficient of R with respect to x can be obtained as:

$$S_x^R = \frac{\text{COV} \left[e_1, \sum^{history} (ACC_x - REJ_x) \right]}{E[e_1]} - \frac{\text{COV} \left[e_2, \sum^{history} (ACC_x - REJ_x) \right]}{E[e_2]}$$

This is a continuous energy estimator but...



Unfortunately, energy discretization is required

In continuous energy Monte Carlo transport, the probability of occurrence of a collision at the exact energy E is **ZERO**

For this reason, energy-resolved sensitivity profiles are obtained (as in deterministic codes) by calculating group-wise integrals of S_{Σ}^R :

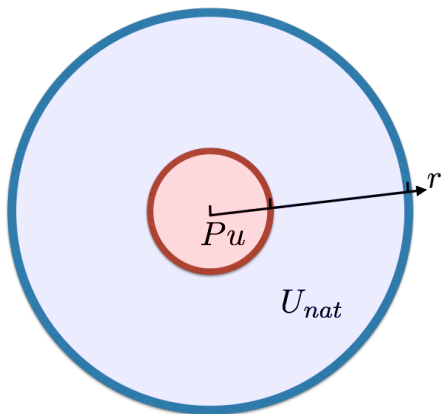
$$S_{\Sigma,g}^R = \int_{E_g}^{E_{g+1}} S_{\Sigma}^R(E) dE$$

This is easily obtained by scoring the collisions occurred at energies between E_g and E_{g+1} .



Generalized sensitivities: a couple of examples

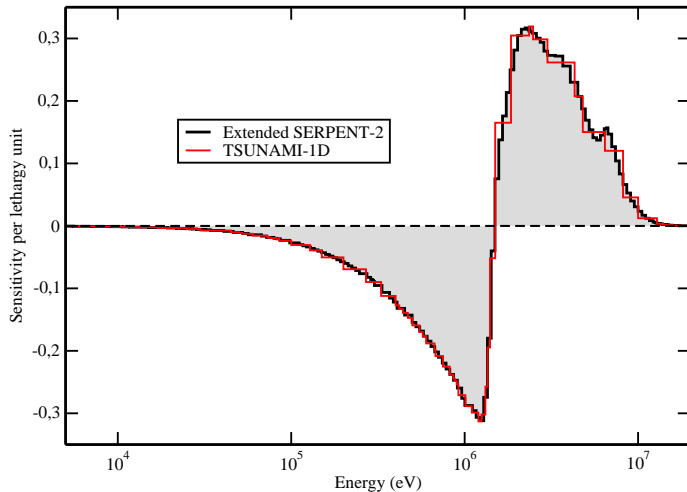
Flattop-Pu



Generalized sensitivities: a couple of examples

Popsy (Flattop) - F28/F25 - Pu-239 - chi total

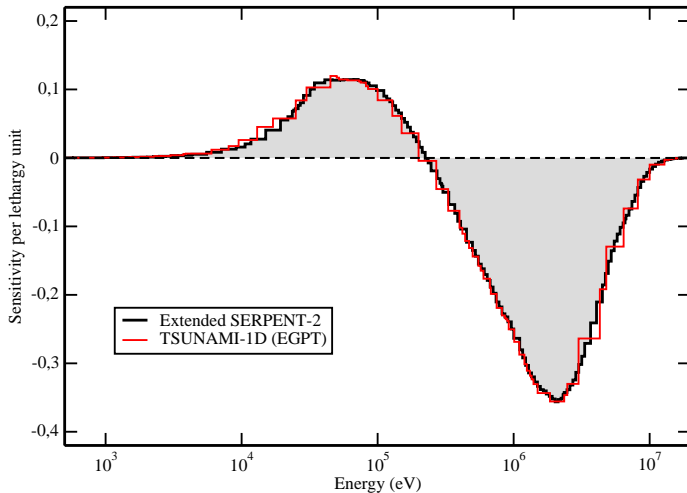
F28/F25 sensitivity - 10 generations - ENDF/B-VII



Generalized sensitivities: a couple of examples

Popsy (Flattop) - Leff - Pu-239 - fission

Effective prompt lifetime sensitivity - 8-16 generations - ENDF/B-VII



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Generalized sensitivities: a couple of examples

No bi-linear ratio sensitivity available in Scale (?)...
Adopting EGPT for comparison against Serpent

$$S_x^{l_{\text{eff}}} = \frac{\partial \left(\frac{\partial k_{\text{eff}}/k_{\text{eff}}}{\partial a_{1/v}} \right)}{\partial x/x} \bigg/ \frac{\partial k_{\text{eff}}/k_{\text{eff}}}{\partial a_{1/v}}$$

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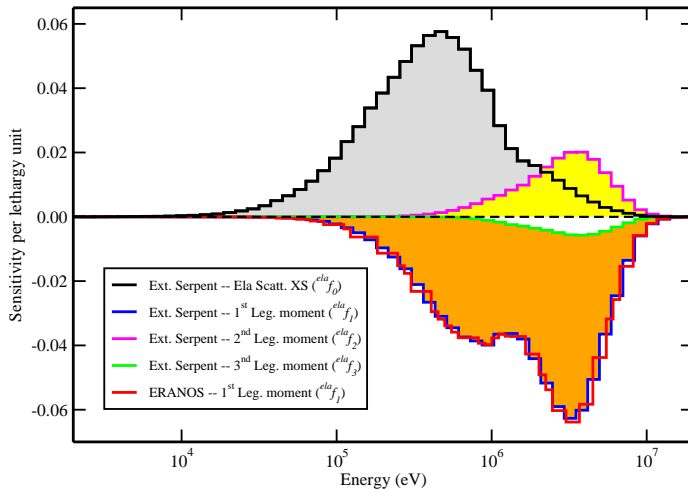
$$S_x^{l_{\text{eff}}} \simeq \frac{*S_x^{k_{\text{eff}}} - S_x^{k_{\text{eff}}}}{*k_{\text{eff}} - k_{\text{eff}}} \frac{1}{k_{\text{eff}}}$$



Generalized sensitivities: a couple of examples

Flattop - k_{eff} - U-238 - elastic scattering

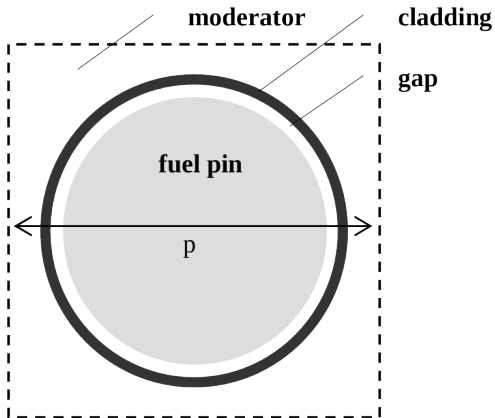
Effective multiplication factor sensitivity - 10 generations - ENDF/B-VII



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Generalized sensitivities: a couple of examples

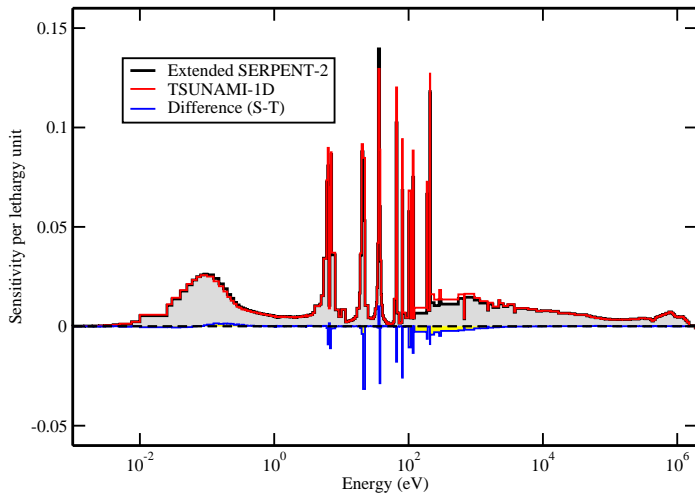
PWR pin cell



Generalized sensitivities: a couple of examples

UAM TMI-1 PWR cell - F28/F25 - U-238 - disappearance

F28/F25 sensitivity - 10 generations - ENDF/B-VII

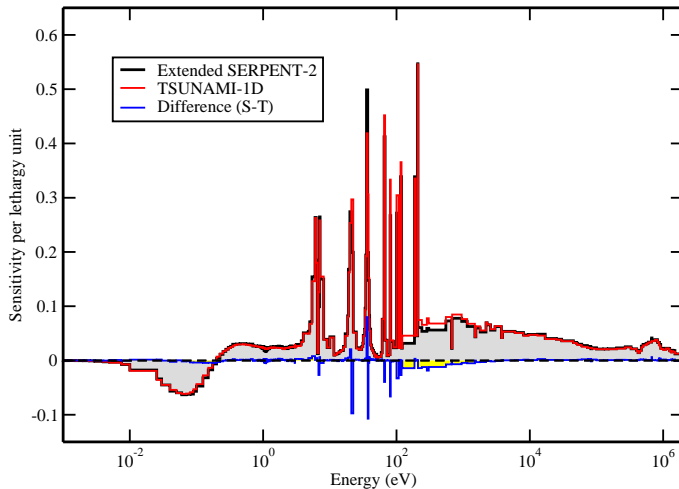


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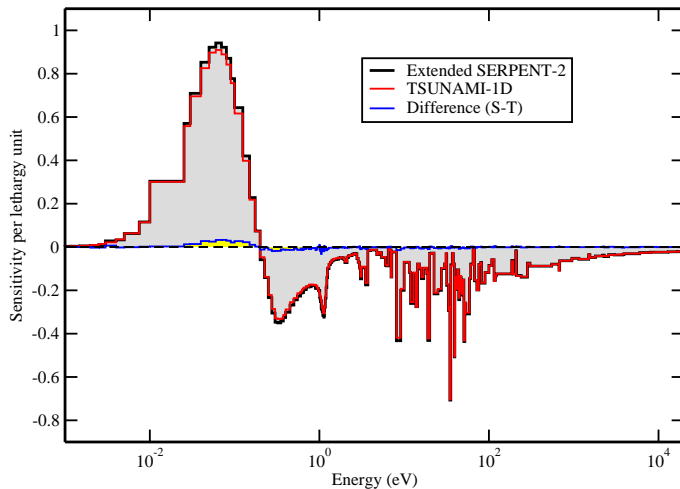


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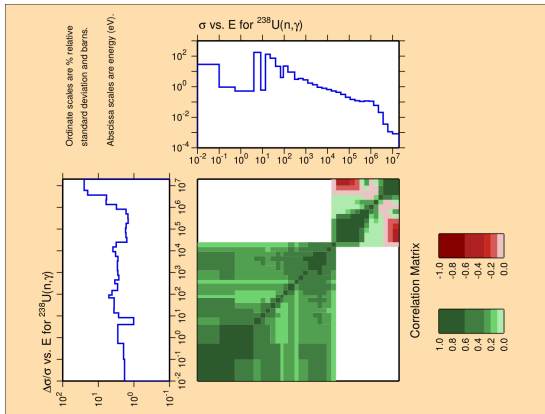


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Uncertainty propagation

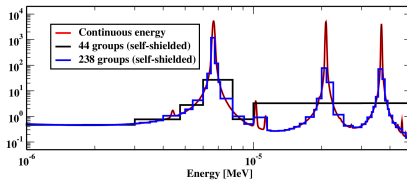
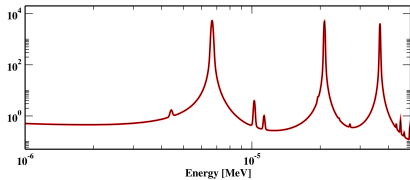
First-order uncertainty propagation formula (sandwich rule)

$$\text{Var} [R] = \underline{S}_X^R \text{Cov} [\underline{X}] \left(\underline{S}_X^R \right)^T$$

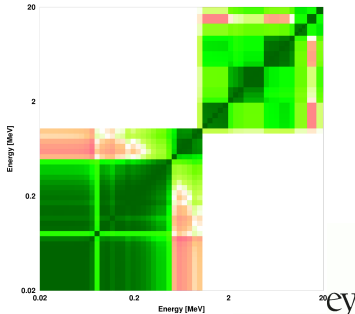
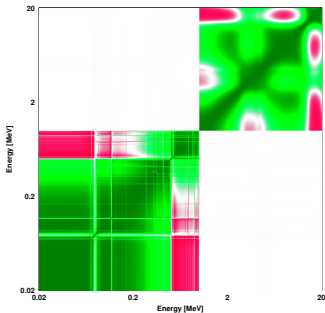


Continuous energy vs. multi-group

Cross sections



Covariance matrices



Continuous energy transport, multi-group sensitivity/uncert. quantification/adjustment

- Choosing the multi-group energy grid is not an easy task (for both covariance matrices and sensitivity profiles)
- Special treatment required for self-shielding
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- Multi-group sensitivity means multi-group adjusted XS
- What about higher moments of the uncertain responses?
- Multi-group & sandwich rule were the obvious choices for deterministic codes. Still the best choice for Monte Carlo?



Continuous-energy function sensitivity approach

The eXtended Generalized Perturbation Theory (XGPT) makes use of continuous-energy function sensitivity:

- No need for multi-group discretization of the sensitivity profiles or the covariance matrices
- Direct adoption of continuous energy covariances and resonance parameters covariances
- The new method has been implemented and tested in Serpent
- Uncertainty propagation tested against Total Monte Carlo
- Continuous energy XS adjustment under investigation



Continuous-energy function sensitivity approach

Continuous energy uncertainty propagation formula:

$$\text{Var} [R] = \int_{E_{min}}^{E_{max}} \int_{E_{min}}^{E_{max}} S_{\Sigma}^R (E) \cdot \text{COV} [\Sigma(E), \Sigma(E')] \cdot S_{\Sigma}^R (E') dE dE'$$

It is hard to solve double integrals with Monte Carlo transport.

- Legacy approach: multi-group discretization
+ sum over **bin-averaged** sensitivities
- New approach: eigenvalue expansion
+ sum over **continuous-energy** integrated sensitivities



Eigenvalue decomposition of the covariance matrix

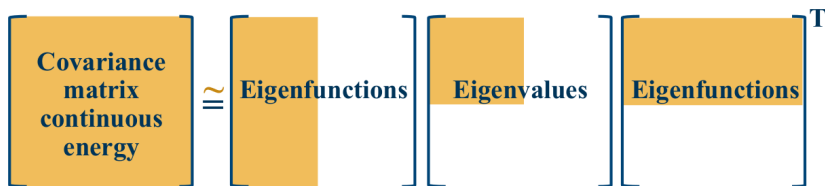
$$COV [\Sigma(E) , \Sigma(E')] = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} U_j(E) \cdot V^j \cdot U_j(E')$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Covariance} \\ \text{matrix} \\ \text{continuous} \\ \text{energy} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Eigenfunctions} \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Eigenvalues} \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Eigenfunctions} \end{array} \right]^T$$



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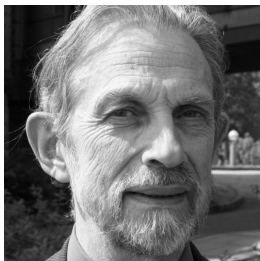
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$$\text{Var} [R] \sim \sum_{j=1}^n V^j \cdot \left(\int_{E_{\min}}^{E_{\max}} U_j(E) \cdot S_{\Sigma}^R(E) dE \right)^2$$

$$\text{Var} [R] \sim \sum_{j=1}^n V^j \cdot \left(S_{U_j}^R \right)^2$$



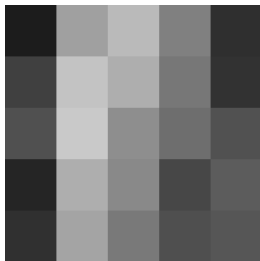
Singular Value Decomposition



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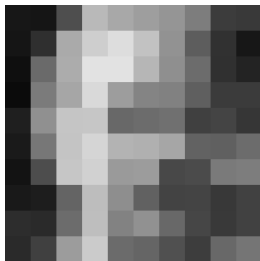
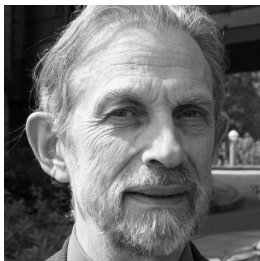
**SVD/POD
5 basis functions**



**Multi-group
5 energy groups**

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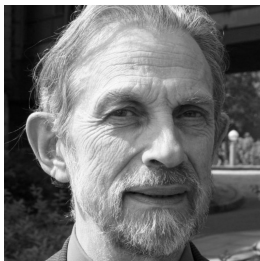
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10 energy groups**

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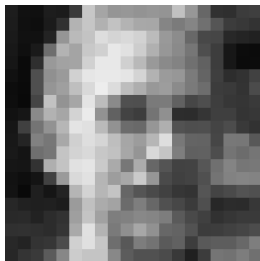
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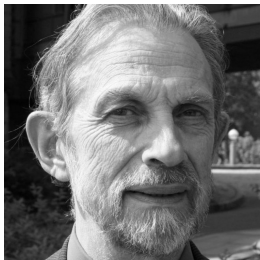
SVD/POD
20 basis functions



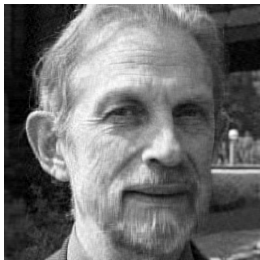
Multi-group
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Singular Value Decomposition



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**SVD/POD
40 basis functions**

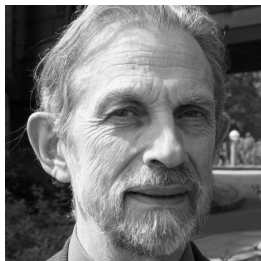


**Multi-group
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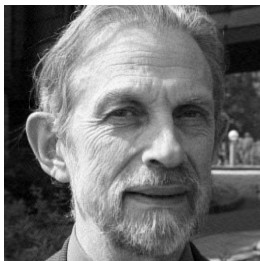
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Singular Value Decomposition



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**SVD/POD
80 basis functions**

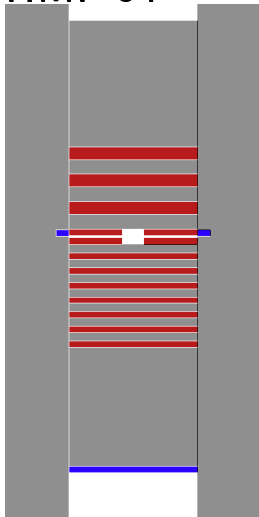


**Multi-group
80 energy groups**

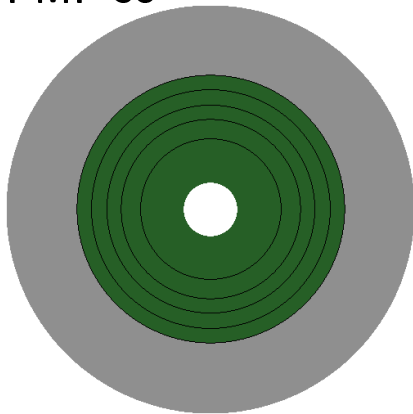
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Two simple case studies

HMF-64



PMF-35

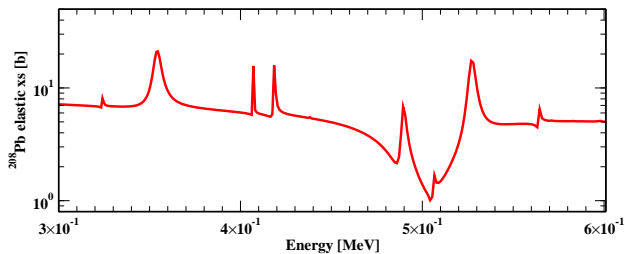
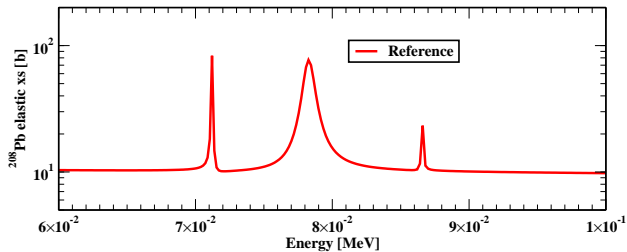


Random cross sections

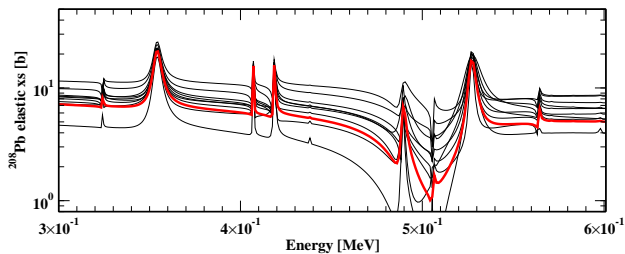
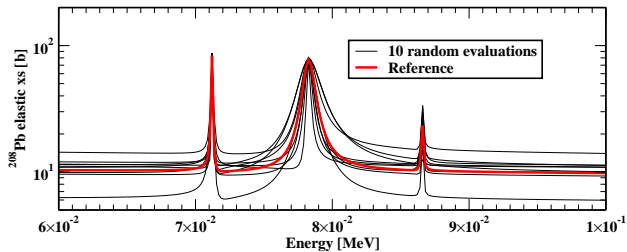
- 3000 different ^{208}Pb ENDF files from TENDL-2013
- Random MF2-MT151 (resonances), MF3-MT1, MF3-MT2 (elastic), MF3-MT51-58,91 (inelastic), and MF3-MT102 (n, γ) processed with NJOY
- 3000 ACE files with random cross sections
- The random continuous energy XS reflect the **UNCERTAINTIES** and their **CORRELATIONS** (according to TENDL-2013)
- Continuous-energy covariances reconstructed from random XS



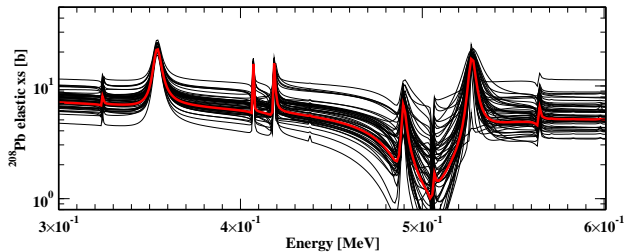
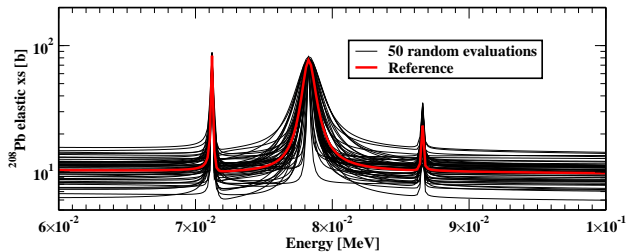
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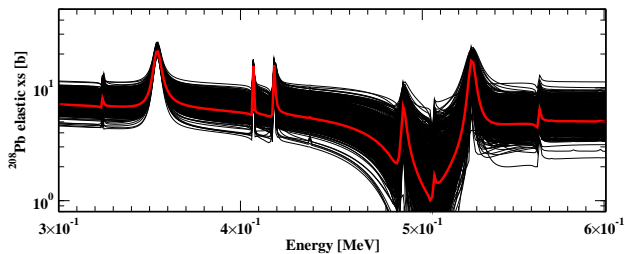
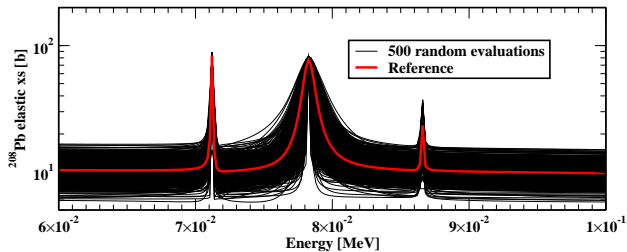
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Proper Orthogonal Decomposition of Nuclear Data

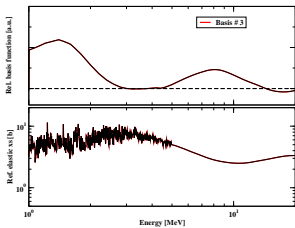
We want a set of orthogonal basis functions $b_{\Sigma,j}$ so that:

$$\tilde{\Sigma}_i(E) = \Sigma_0(E) \cdot \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i^j \cdot b_{\Sigma,j}(E) \right)$$

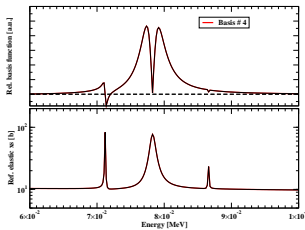


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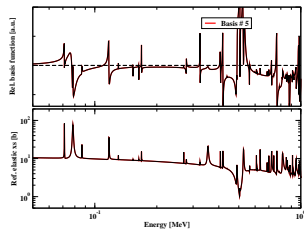
3 basis functions from the POD of ^{208}Pb ($n, el\alpha$)



Basis # 3



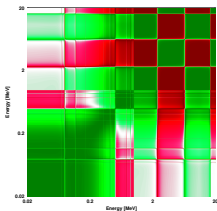
Basis # 4



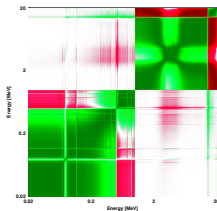
Basis # 5

Proper Orthogonal Decomposition of Nuclear Data

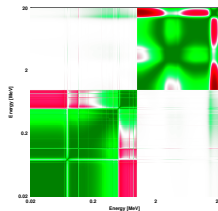
Correlation matrices after POD and reconstruction



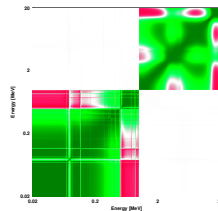
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$n = 5$

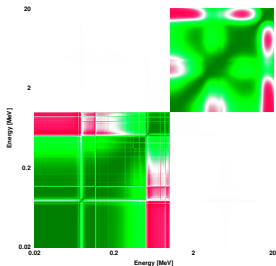


$n = 10$

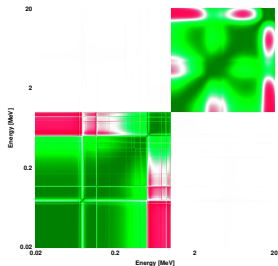


$n = 20$

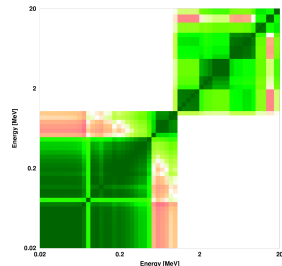
Proper Orthogonal Decomposition of Nuclear Data



Continuous
Energy



SVD/POD
20 basis functions



Multi-group
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We need to calculate the effect on the response R due to a perturbation on Σ equal to $b_{\Sigma,j}$

$$S_{b_{\Sigma,j}}^R = \frac{dR/R}{db_{\Sigma,j}} = \int_{E_{min}}^{E_{max}} b_{\Sigma,j}(E) \cdot S_{\Sigma}^R(E) dE$$

Using the collision history approach, $S_{b_{\Sigma,j}}^R$ can be estimated from the covariance between the terms of R and the collisions weighted by $b_{\Sigma,j}(E)$

$$S_{b_{\Sigma,j}}^R = \frac{\text{COV} \left[e_1, \sum^{\text{history}} G_{b_{\Sigma,j}} \right]}{E[e_1]} - \frac{\text{COV} \left[e_2, \sum^{\text{history}} G_{b_{\Sigma,j}} \right]}{E[e_2]}$$

From the Proper Orthogonal Decomposition of Nuclear data...

$$\Sigma_i(E) \simeq \tilde{\Sigma}_i(E) = \Sigma_0(E) \cdot \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i^j \cdot b_{\Sigma_j}(E) \right)$$

...and the basis functions sensitivity coefficients $S_{b_{\Sigma_j}}^R$, we can approximate the response function R_{Σ_i} for each random XS Σ_i

$$R_{\Sigma_i} \simeq \tilde{R}_{\Sigma_i} = R_{\Sigma_0} \cdot \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i^j \cdot S_{b_{\Sigma_j}}^R \right)$$



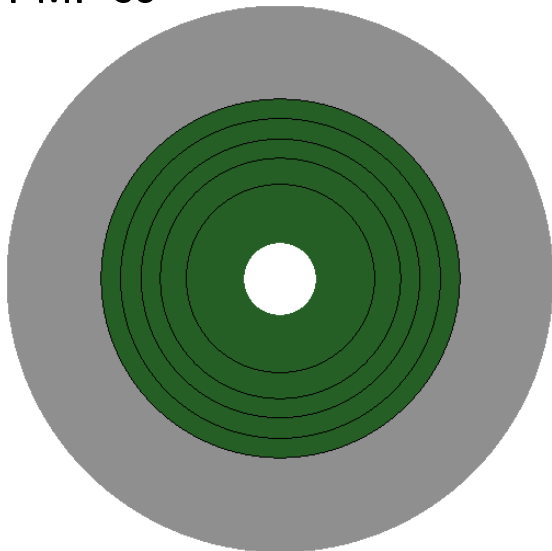
Estimating the k_{eff} distribution in the simple case study

$$k_{\text{eff}_{\Sigma_i}} \simeq \widetilde{k}_{\text{eff}_{\Sigma_i}} = k_{\text{eff}_{\Sigma_0}} \cdot \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i^j \cdot S_{b_{\Sigma_i, j}}^{k_{\text{eff}}} \right)$$

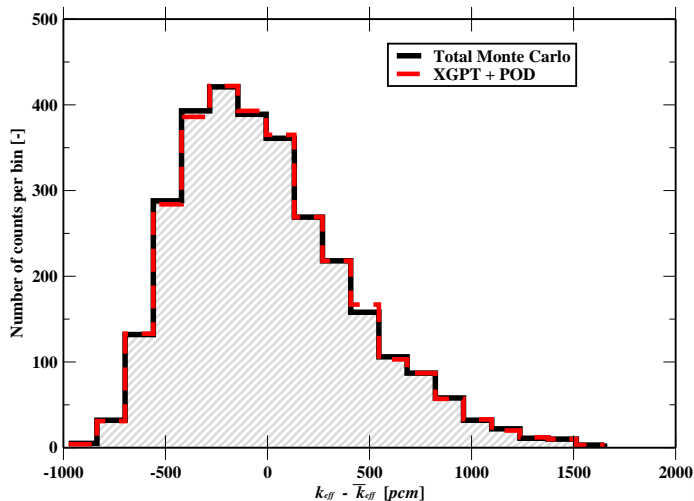
The k_{eff} for all the N (3000) random XS Σ_i were calculated in a single Serpent run (ACE file for Σ_0) with $n = 50$ bases

The XGPT+POD results are compared to TMC results (3000 separate Serpent runs)

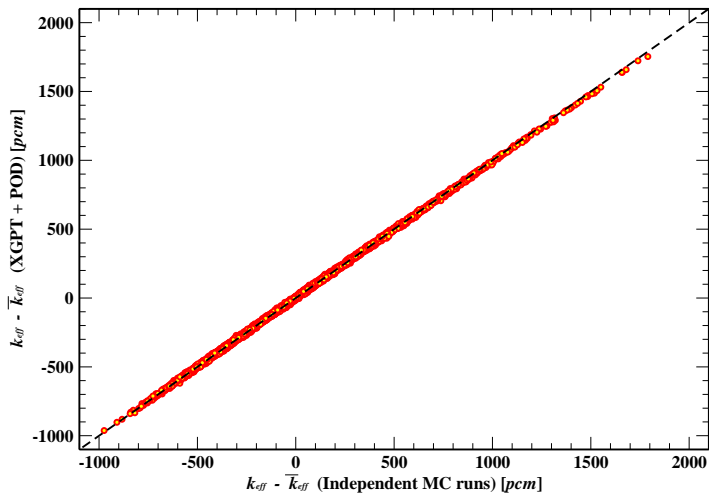
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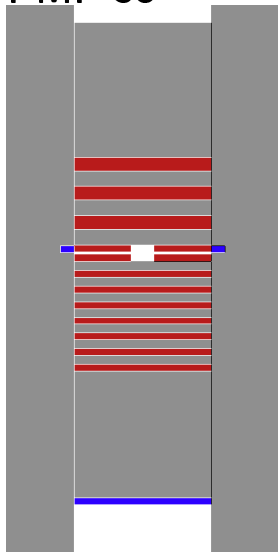
PMF-35 - k_{eff} uncertainty - XGPT + POD vs. TMC



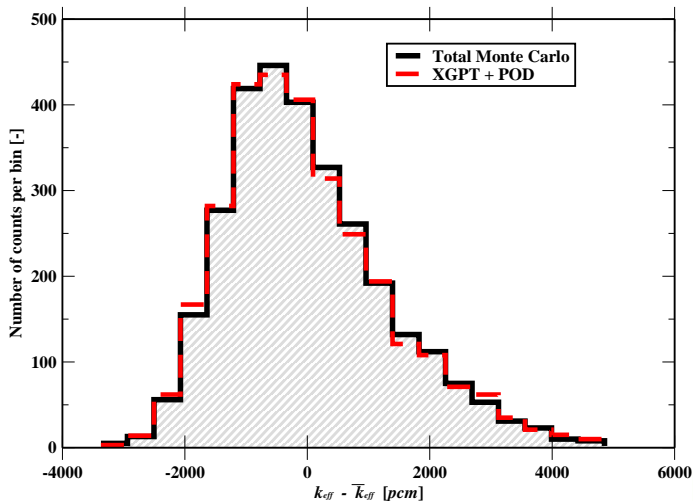
PMF-35 - k_{eff} estimates - XGPT + POD vs. TMC



PMF-35



HMF-64 - k_{eff} uncertainty - XGPT + POD vs. TMC



XGPT+POD: uncertainty in PMF-35 & HMF-64

Table: Standard deviation, skewness and kurtosis of the *PMF-35* k_{eff} distribution from TENDL-2013 ^{208}Pb cross section data.

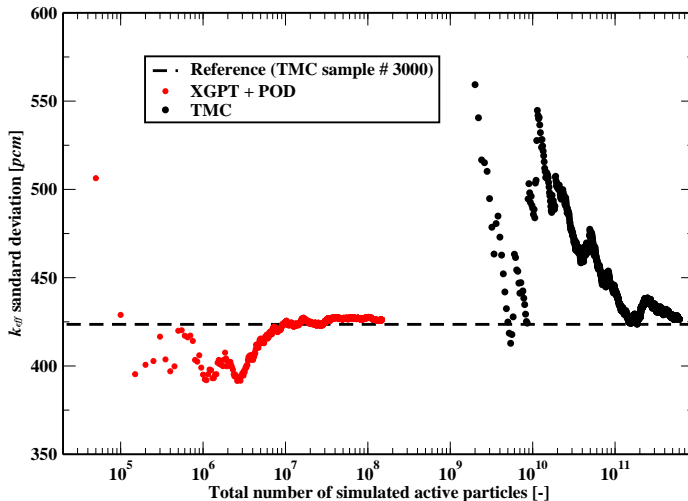
Method	Standard deviation	skewness	kurtosis
TMC	426 pcm	0.81	3.62
XGPT	423 pcm	0.80	3.58

Table: Standard deviation, skewness and kurtosis of the *HMF-64* k_{eff} distribution from TENDL-2013 ^{208}Pb cross section data.

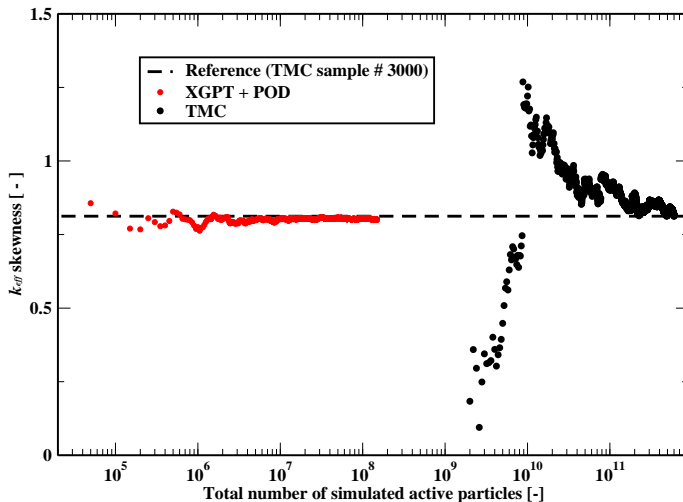
Method	Standard deviation	skewness	kurtosis
TMC	1326 pcm	0.74	3.49
XGPT	1371 pcm	0.81	3.65



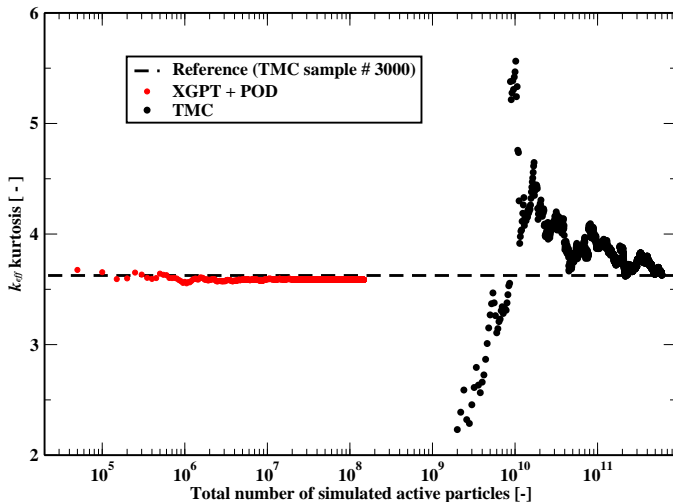
Standard deviation



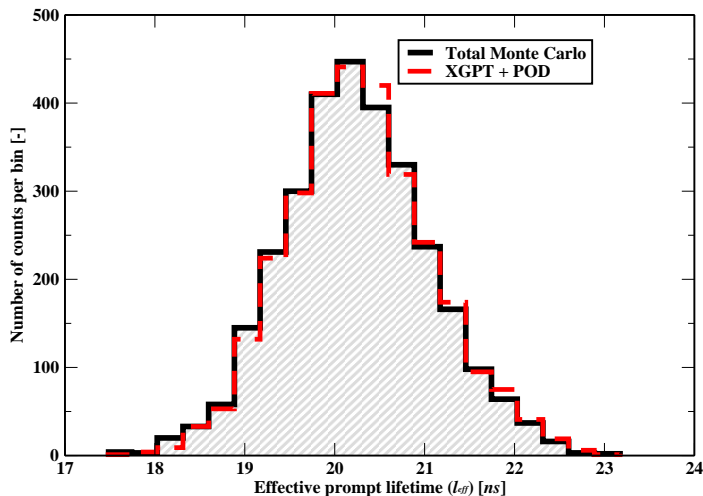
Skewness



Kurtosis



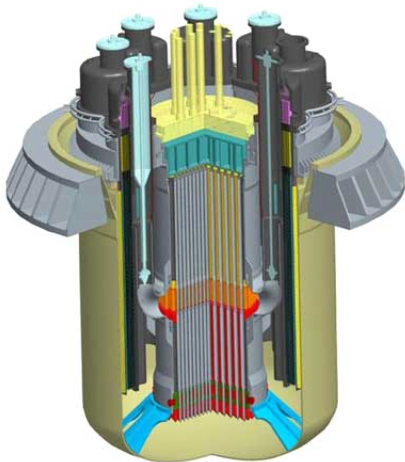
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Advanced Lead Fast Reactor European Demonstrator

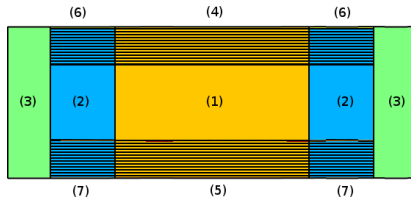
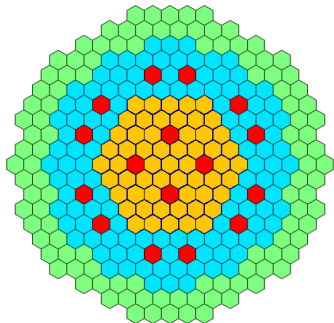
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ALFRED, is a small-size (300MWth) pool-type LFR.



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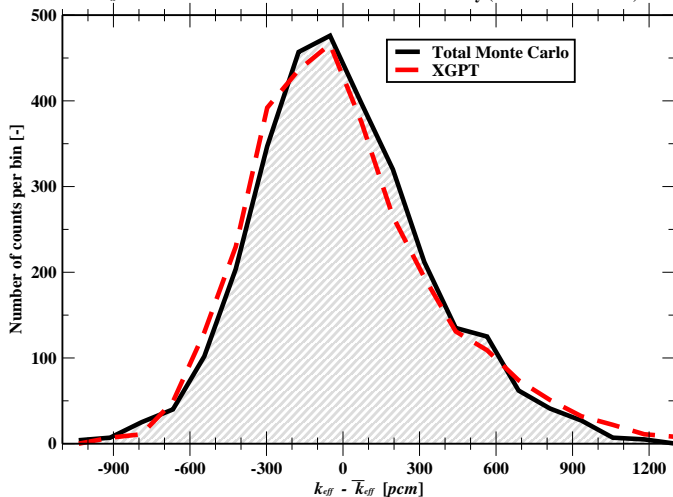
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171 FAs are subdivided into two radial zones with different plutonium fractions

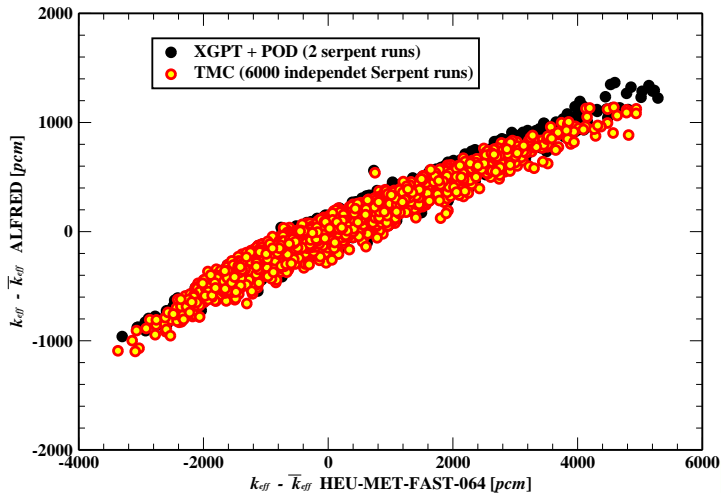
ALFRED - k_{eff} uncertainty - XGPT vs. TMC

k_{eff} distribution from ^{208}Pb cross sections uncertainty (from TENDL-2013)



Representativity study ALFRED vs. HMF-64

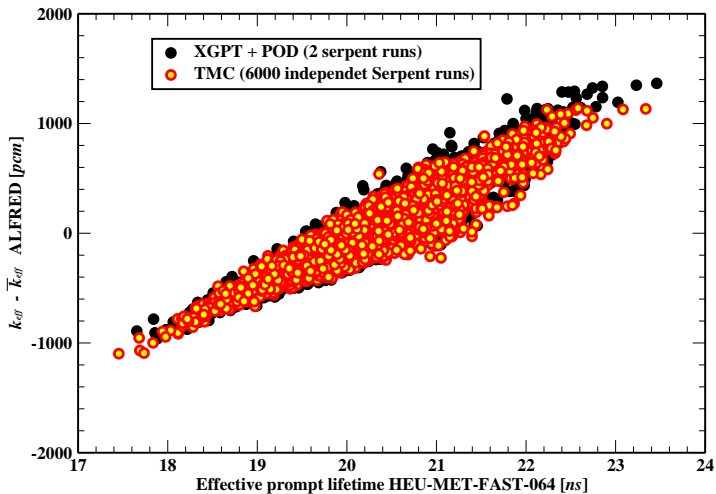
HMF-64 / ALFRED correlation -- ^{208}Pb XS uncertainties



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Video time

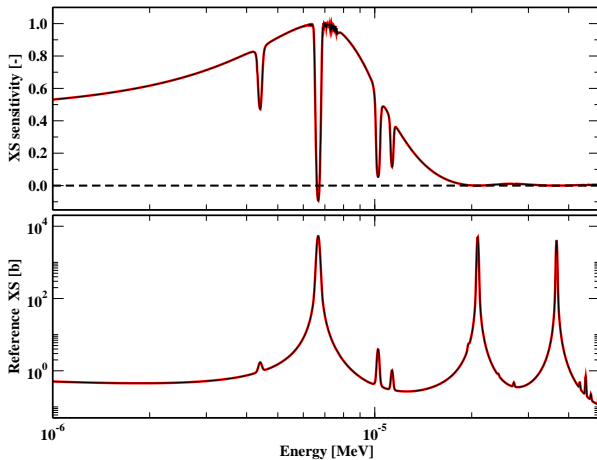


Cross section sensitivity to resonance parameters

Cross sections derivatives are calculated numerically via NJOY

Perturbation of ^{238}U resonance parameters -- Γ_γ @ 6.67 eV

Sensitivity of capture XS (MT102)



Cross section sensitivity to resonance parameters

Definition of sensitivity coefficient: $S_x^R \equiv \frac{dR/R}{dx/x}$

$$S_{\Gamma_\gamma}^{k_{\text{eff}}} = \int S_{\sigma_{\text{capture}}}^{k_{\text{eff}}}(E) \cdot S_{\Gamma_\gamma}^{\sigma_{\text{capture}}}(E) \cdot dE + \int S_{\sigma_{\text{elastic}}}^{k_{\text{eff}}}(E) \cdot S_{\Gamma_\gamma}^{\sigma_{\text{elastic}}}(E) \cdot dE + \dots$$

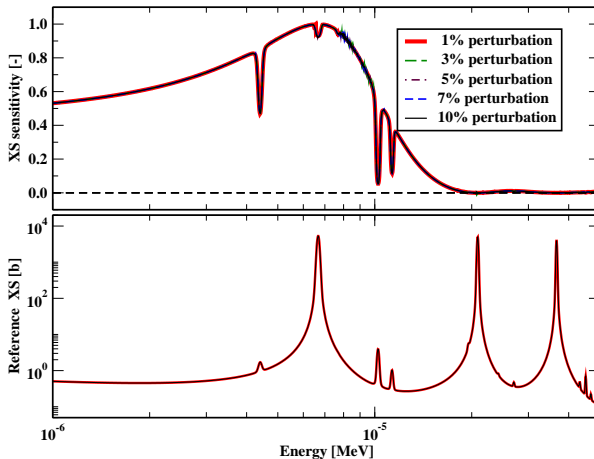
Multi-group discretization is usually introduced here...

The new method avoids any discretization



Perturbation of ^{238}U resonance parameters -- Γ_n @ 6.67 eV

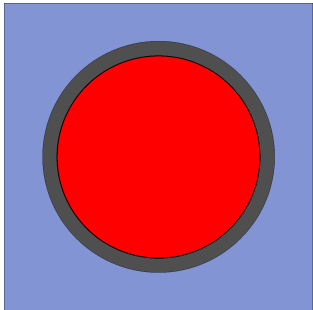
Non-linearity effects on capture XS (MT102)



Case study – PWR MOX 2D pin cell

Material compositions and geometry specifications from:
Benchmarks for uncertainty analysis in modelling (UAM) for the design, operation and safety analysis of LWRs

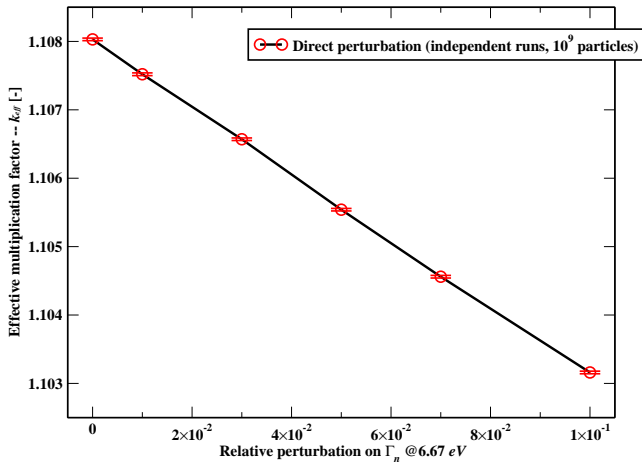
Case: GEN-III PWR MOX 2D pin cell
Pu content in fuel 3.7%



Verification against direct perturbation: ^{238}U

Perturbation of ^{238}U resonance parameters -- Γ_n @ 6.67 eV

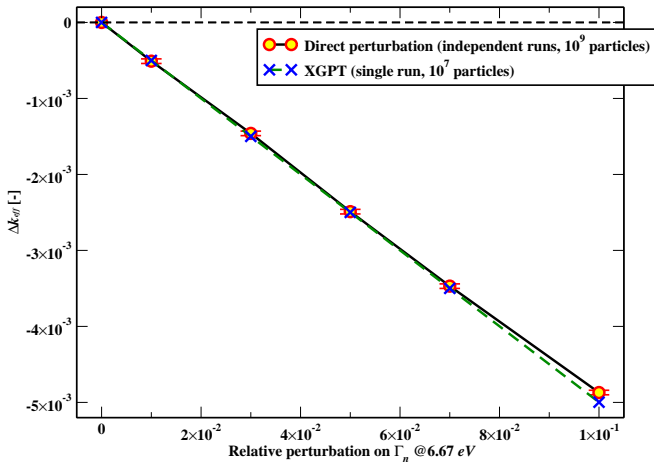
UAM GEN-III MOX-3.7% 2D Pin HZP -- Γ_n effect on k_{eff}



Verification against direct perturbation: ^{238}U

Perturbation of ^{238}U resonance parameters -- Γ_n @ 6.67 eV

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^{238}U @6.67eV

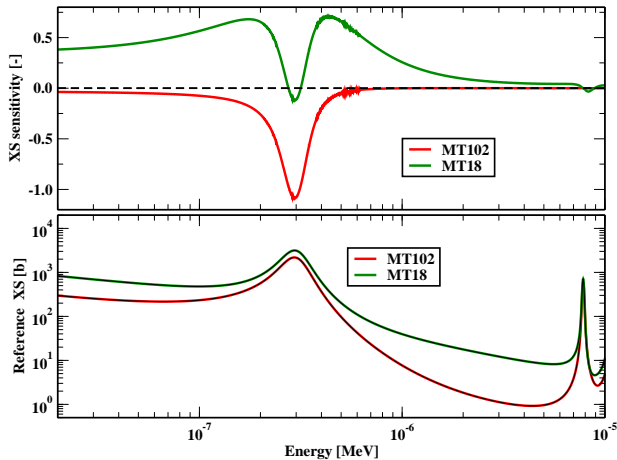
	Direct perturbation	GPT
$S_{\Gamma_{\gamma}}^{k_{\text{eff}}}$	-4.603×10^{-2} $\pm 9.9 \times 10^{-4}$	-4.469×10^{-2} $\pm 1.4 \times 10^{-4}$
$S_{\Gamma_n}^{k_{\text{eff}}}$	-4.392×10^{-2} $\pm 9.9 \times 10^{-4}$	-4.512×10^{-2} $\pm 1.6 \times 10^{-4}$

- Sensitivities are very large
- GPT is more efficient: 10^7 vs 10^9 particles, smaller err.
- All GPT sensitivities calculated in a single run



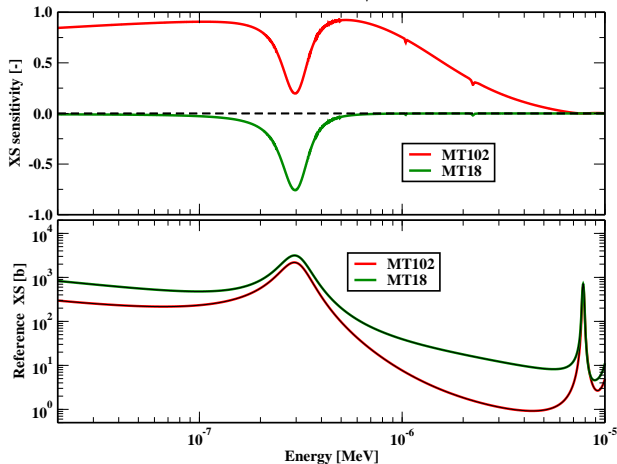
Verification against direct perturbation: ^{239}Pu

Perturbation of ^{239}Pu resonance parameters -- $\Gamma_f @ 0.2956 \text{ eV}$
Cross sections sensitivities (3% Γ_f relative perturbation)



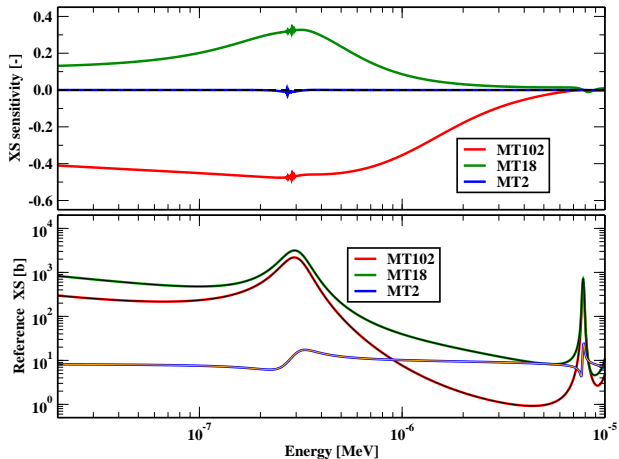
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Cross sections sensitivities (3% Γ_γ relative perturbation)



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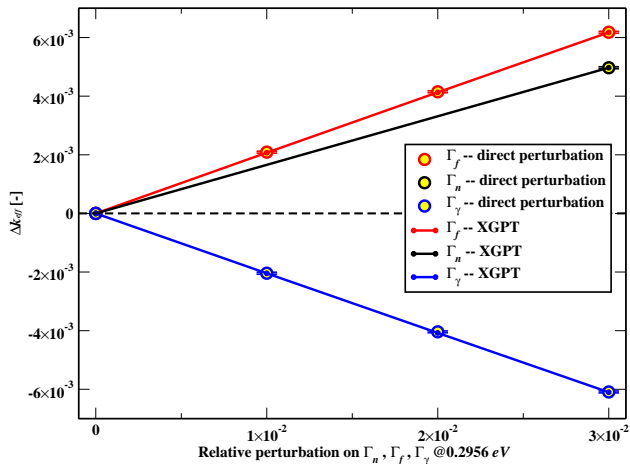
Perturbation of ^{239}Pu resonance parameters -- Γ_n @ 0.2956 eV Cross sections sensitivities (3% Γ_n relative perturbation)



Verification against direct perturbation: ^{239}Pu

Perturbation of ^{239}Pu resonance parameters @0.2956 eV

UAM GEN-III MOX-3.7% 2D Pin HZP -- $\Gamma_n, \Gamma_f, \Gamma_\gamma$ effect on k_{eff}



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Verification against direct perturbation: ^{239}Pu

^{239}Pu @0.295eV

	Direct perturbation	GPT
$S_{\Gamma_{\gamma}}^{k_{\text{eff}}}$	-1.832×10^{-2} $\pm 9.9 \times 10^{-4}$	-1.835×10^{-2} $\pm 3.8 \times 10^{-4}$
$S_{\Gamma_n}^{k_{\text{eff}}}$	1.495×10^{-2} $\pm 9.9 \times 10^{-4}$	1.495×10^{-2} $\pm 1.6 \times 10^{-4}$
$S_{\Gamma_f}^{k_{\text{eff}}}$	1.859×10^{-2} $\pm 9.9 \times 10^{-4}$	1.857×10^{-2} $\pm 4.1 \times 10^{-4}$

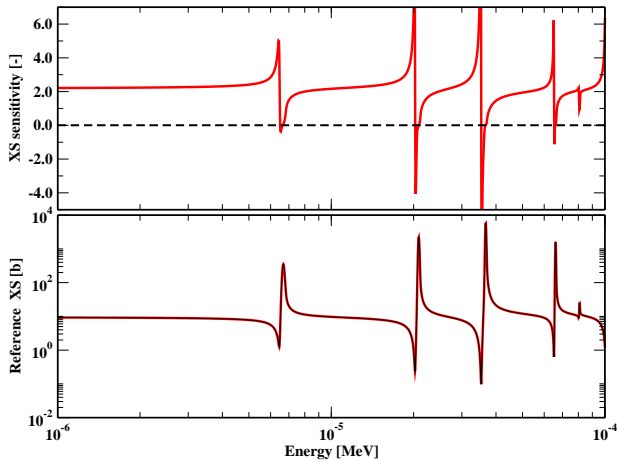
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Fancy resonance parameters (scattering radius)

Perturbation of ^{238}U scattering radius

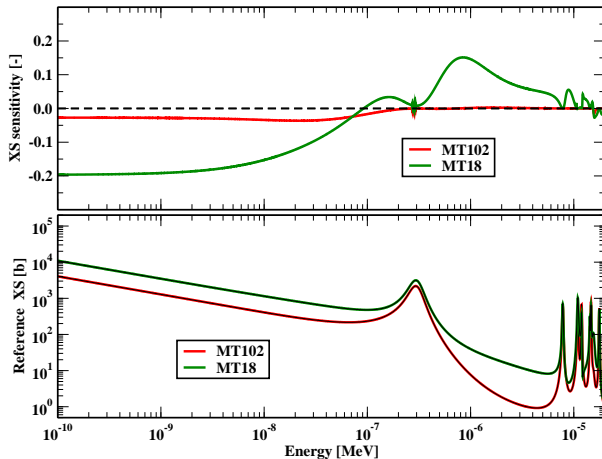
Elastic scattering cross section



Fancy resonance parameters (negative energy resonances)

Perturbation of ^{239}Pu resonance parameters -- Γ_{fb} @ -0.2194 eV

Cross sections sensitivities ($5\% \Gamma_{fb}$ relative perturbation)



1 Generate continuous-energy basis functions

1.1.a SVD of the continuous-energy covariance matrices

1.1.b POD of the random ENDF/random nuclear model parameters

1.2.a XS derivatives for resonance parameters, scatt. radius & co.

1.2.b Include resonances in the continuous-energy covariances

2 Project the uncertainties on these bases (MF32-33)

3 Run Serpent-XGPT once for each system

3.1.a Get the uncertainty for each response function

$$\text{Var} [R] \sim \sum_{j=1}^n V^j \cdot (S_{U_j}^R)^2$$

3.1.b Get the “uncertain distribution” of each response function

$$R_{\Sigma_i} \simeq \widetilde{R}_{\Sigma_i} = R_{\Sigma_0} \cdot \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i^j \cdot S_{b_{\Sigma,j}}^R \right)$$



- 4 Send C/E , $Var [R]$, V^j , and $S_{U_j}^R$ to Pino
- 5 Ask him to solve the GLLS problem and send you:
adjusted $COV [\underline{\mathbf{V}}, \underline{\mathbf{V}}]$, $\Delta\alpha_{U_j}^j$
- 6 Reconstruct the adjusted Σ

$$^{adj}\Sigma(E) \simeq^{prior} \Sigma(E) \cdot \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^n \Delta\alpha_{U_j}^j \cdot U_j(E) \right)$$



7 Reconstruct the adjusted $COV [\Sigma, \Sigma]$

- *prior* $COV [\Sigma(E), \Sigma(E')] \sim \sum_{j=1}^n U_j(E) \cdot V^j \cdot U_j(E')$

- *adj* $COV [\Sigma(E), \Sigma(E')] \sim \underline{\mathbf{U}} \text{ } ^{adj} COV [\underline{\mathbf{V}}, \underline{\mathbf{V}}] \underline{\mathbf{U}}^T$

$$= [U_1(E) \quad U_2(E) \quad \dots] COV [\underline{\mathbf{V}}, \underline{\mathbf{V}}] \begin{bmatrix} U_1(E) \\ U_2(E) \\ U_3(E) \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$



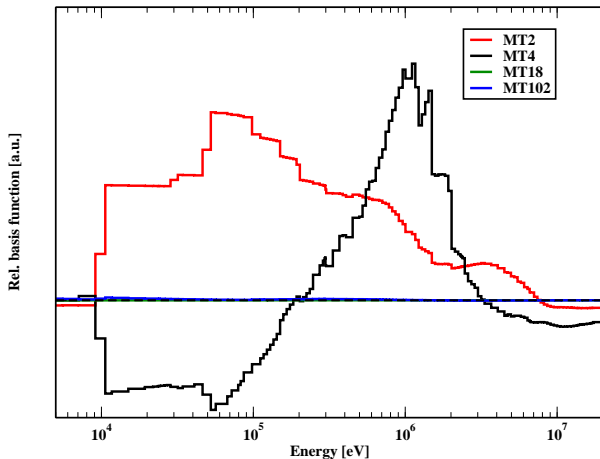
Very simple case study

- Only one system: Jezebel
- Only one response function: k_{eff}
- Only one isotope: ^{239}Pu
- Covariances from ENDF/B-VII.0 (multigroup!)

Adjustment via XGPT: first attempt

SVD of ^{239}Pu XS cov. matrix & XGPT - Jezebel k_{eff} uncertainty

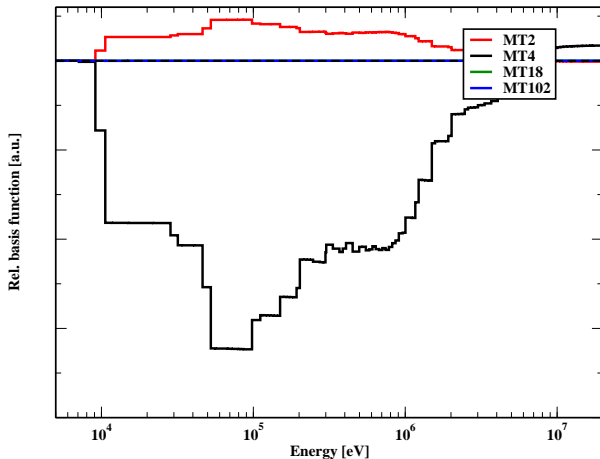
Basis #1 for k_{eff} uncert. - 49.5% of the total variance - 594 pcm (rel. std)



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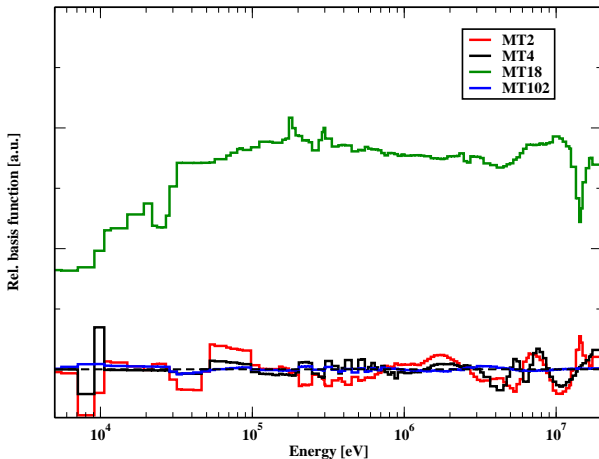
Basis #2 for k_{eff} uncert. - 20.2% of the total variance - 379 pcm (rel. std)



Adjustment via XGPT: first attempt

SVD of ^{239}Pu XS cov. matrix & XGPT - Jezebel k_{eff} uncertainty

Basis #3 for k_{eff} uncert. - 14.1% of the total variance - 316 pcm (rel. std)

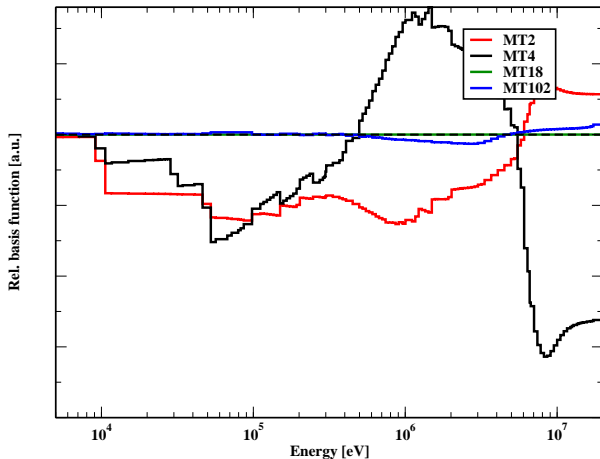


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SVD of ^{239}Pu XS cov. matrix & XGPT - Jezebel k_{eff} uncertainty

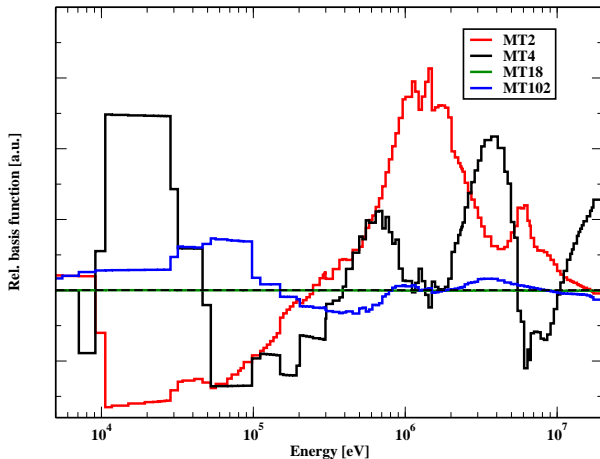
Basis #4 for k_{eff} uncert. - 6.2% of the total variance - 211 pcm (rel. std)



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SVD of ^{239}Pu XS cov. matrix & XGPT - Jezebel k_{eff} uncertainty

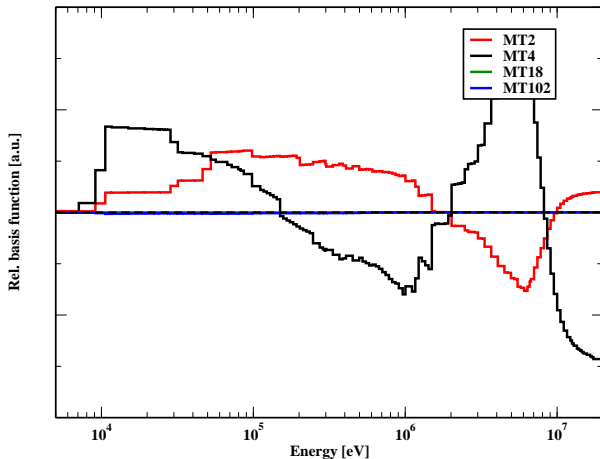
Basis #5 for k_{eff} uncert. - 3.1% of the total variance - 148 pcm (rel. std)



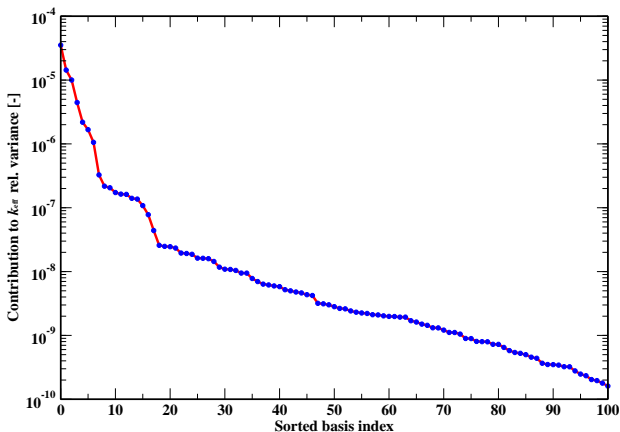
Adjustment via XGPT: first attempt

SVD of ^{239}Pu XS cov. matrix & XGPT - Jezebel k_{eff} uncertainty

Basis #6 for k_{eff} uncert. - 2.3% of the total variance - 129 pcm (rel. std)



Contribution of the ^{239}Pu XS bases to the Jezebel k_{eff} uncert.



Adjustment via XGPT: first attempt (SQUADRA output)

(E-C)/C (%) BEFORE AND AFTER ADJUSTM.

#	EXPERIMENT	BEFORE	AFTER	CHANGE
1	JEZEBEL KEFF	0.014	0.001	-0.013

EXPERIMENT UNCERT. (%) BEFORE AND AFTER ADJUSTM.

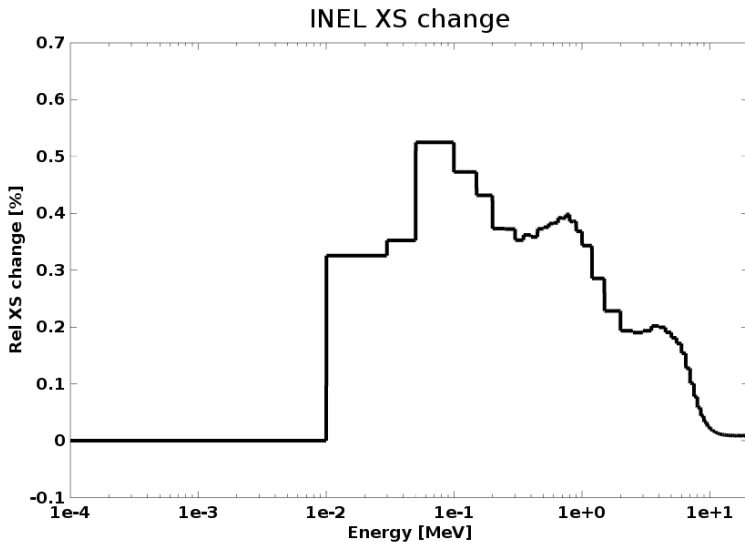
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NUCL. DATA UNCERT. BEFORE AND AFTER ADJUSTM.

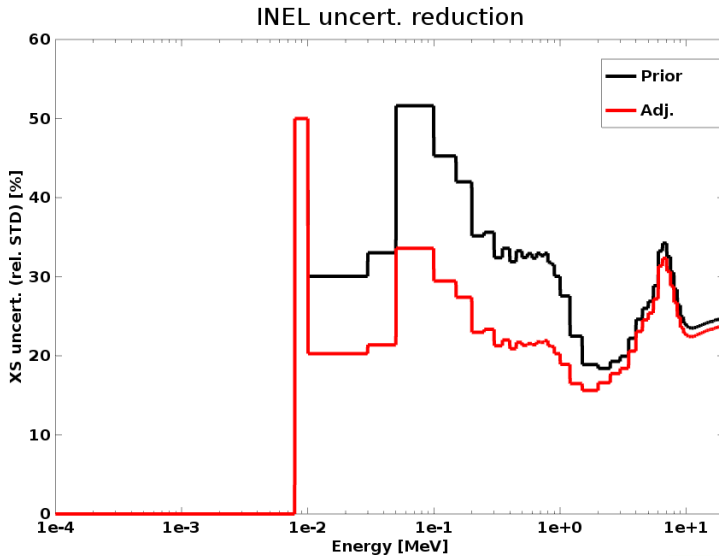
NUCLEAR DATA		NUC. DATA CHANGE	BEFORE	AFTER	CHANGE
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EIGENV_INEL	2	-2.5	463.0	429.4	-33.6
EIGENV_KHI	1	-2.1	600.3	583.0	-17.3
EIGENV_INEL	4	-0.9	342.4	336.3	-6.1
EIGENV_INEL	5	-0.5	218.7	215.7	-3.0
EIGENV_KHI	2	-0.4	247.4	246.2	-1.2
EIGENV_CAPT	1	0.5	884.6	883.9	-0.7
EIGENV_KHI	3	0.2	115.4	114.9	-0.5



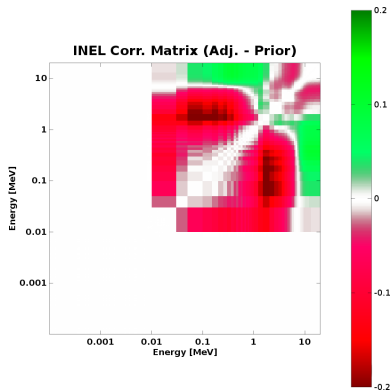
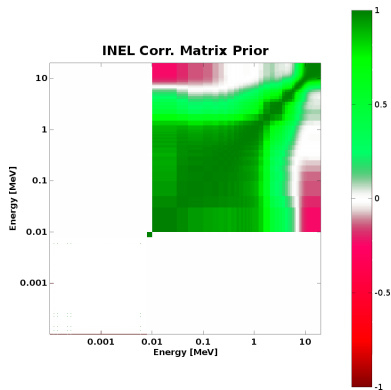
Adjustment of the inelastic XS



Small reduction of the inelastic uncertainty



Strong negative correlation in the inelastic covariance



PROBLEMS/OPEN ISSUES:

- Continuous-energy cov. matrices are not available
- Unphysical negative eigenvalues
- Few cross-terms in the covariances
- Inelastic: MT4 or MT51-91
- Resonances: MF32 or MF33
- Angular distributions
- TO DO: $S(\alpha, \beta)$ and URR



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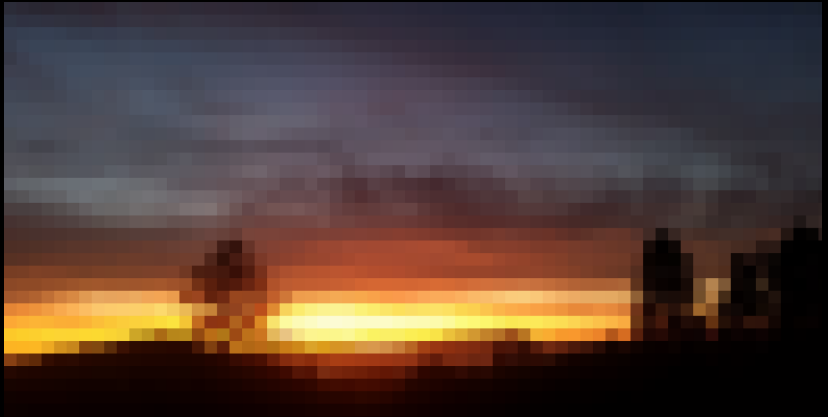
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THANK YOU FOR THE ATTENTION



QUESTIONS? SUGGESTIONS? IDEAS?

The bay area from the Berkeley hills (multi-group version).

- Generate the optimal bases via POD (from random XS):
 - Load N random ACE files for the selected isotope
 - Score the rel. diff. of the XS on the unionized e-grid
 - Build the (weighted) correlation matrix $K \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$
 - Solve $[S, V] = \text{EIG}(K)$ for the first n eigenvalues
 - Reconstruct the bases and store them in a cache-friendly way
- Generate the optimal bases via SVD (from cov. matrices):

Should you already have the relative covariance matrices, the bases can be obtained directly via SVD:
Solve $[U, S, V] = \text{SVD}(\text{COV})$ for the first n eigenvalues
- The off-line steps need to be done just once

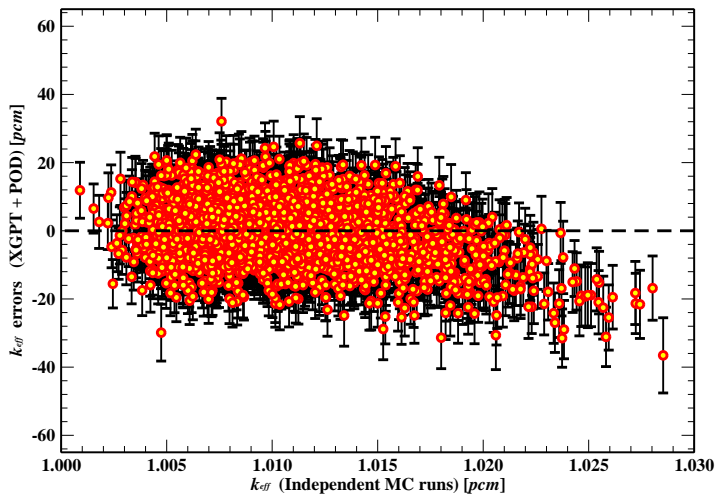


CPU-time & memory

	TMC	GPT + COV	XGPT + POD
CPU-time	$\propto N$	small \propto # of coll.	small $\propto n$
Memory	–	\propto # of coll. $\times \lambda \times$ pop	$\propto n \times \lambda \times$ pop



PMF-35 - k_{eff} estimates - XGPT errors



Scaled eigenvalues of the POD of ^{208}Pb cross sections

