The Full Bayesian Evaluation Technique

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- \succ Experiments employed in the evaluation should not be used.

Experimental data of similar isotopes are compared to model data in order to estimate model defect uncertainties.

(see: H. Leeb, D. Neudecker, Th. Srdinko, Nucl. Data Sheets 109, Issue 12, 2762 (2008).)

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Correlations of systematic unc. of single and between different experiments were considered *roughly***.**

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Work in progress: estimating exp. cov. mat. in a more reproducible and physical manner.

Estimate covariance matrices for single and between different experiments.

Store (xml) and use detailed information relevant for uncertainties of specific uncertainty components appearing in different experiments (e.g.: uncertainties due to reference reaction, specific sample)

→ Simplifies estimating uncertainties of experimental data with sparse uncertainty information and correlations between experiments

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First steps: Reproducing a covariance matrix using detailed uncertainty information.



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Outlook



Does Los Alamos model describe low energy range of PFNS?

model defect uncertainties?

New ²³⁹Pu PFNS data will be coming from Chi-Nu at LANSCE.



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Considering model defect uncertainties is important if model deviates significantly from experimental data



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A new program is in development at LANL which estimates experimental covariance matrices in a more physical and reproducible manner and stores the underlying information in XML.



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