# State of Empire

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EMPIRE is a comprehensive, easy to use, nuclear reaction code for nuclear data evaluation.

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## Recent developments (2.19b29 Lodi)

 Automatic fit of Optical Model Potential (Spherical, CC, and DWBA) ✓ Discrete collective states embedded in the continuum Sensitivity calculations ✓ Covariances Coupling to KALMAN ✓Monte-Carlo approach  $\checkmark$  Normalization of  $\Gamma_{\gamma}$  to the experimental data Mixed (exclusive/inclusive) spectra in high energy evaluations Adjustment of energy dependence of model parameters ✓ Support for NJOY code Improved numerical stability and bug fixes **Ultimate goal: EMPIRE input = ENDF evaluation** 







#### **Automatic fit of Optical Model Potential**











#### **Exclusive/inclusive spectra**

#### Conventional approach

- exclusive spectra up to 20 MeV
- inclusive spectra (MF/MT=3/5 and MF/MT=6/5) above 20 MeV
- Disadvantage: abrupt change of representation for some reactions (e.g., (n,2n), (n,3n), ...)

### ✓ EMPIRE approach

- exclusive spectra for all reactions up to a given number of emissions (e.g., (n,g), (n,n'), (n,2n), (n,np),... for 2 emissions)
- inclusive spectra for higher emissions (e.g., (n,3n), (n,2np),...)







#### **Sensitivity calculations**

- Sensitivity matrix needed for covariance calculations with KALMAN implemented in EMPIRE-2.19b29
- almost any model parameter can be varied (including energy dependent ones)
- sensitivity of all reaction cross sections to each varied parameter are determined
- ✓ Calculation time: 0.5 to 7 h





## **Example of the sensitivity**



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#### Sensitivity matrix tells us

- ✓ to which parameter particular cross section is sensitive
- what potential damage to other cross sections we do changing this parameter

#### Sensitivity matrix does it

- ✓ in compact, easy to analyse, form
- ✓ with less manual effort
- ✓ faster !
- ✓ More in presentation on EMPIRE-KALMAN







## State of the EMPIRE is good!





