

Ex fission ad astra: extending nucleon-nucleus interactions to the fission fragment region

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Facility for Rare Isotope Beams

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We want to accurately model reactions away from stability, with UQ

- prompt de-excitation of fission fragments: nuclear non-proliferation, open physics questions
- cross sections for fission products: spent fuel, depletion, forensics
- r-process nucleosynthesis





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Mission relevance: nuclear data is "upstream" from nuclear applications

- significant cost and effort goes into measuring reaction observables
- resulting models only constrained for experimentally accessible A,Z
- What are the uncertainties on observables relevant to non-pro and safeguards?
- What are the best measurements we can take to improve nuclear data?



[courtesy of Matt Devlin]





Uncertainty quantification of fission observables in ²⁵²Cf(sf) and ²³⁵U(n,f)





- Significant uncertainties in important fission observables!
- phenomenological: poor constraint of isovector dependence

microscopic: truncation of selfenergy diagrams





Uncertainty quantification for properties of nuclear matter







Projective model order reduction lets us do UQ on the personal computer...

Bayesian calibration of local optical potential using ~800k samples takes only 1 hour!



Extending to global potentials is possible using active subspace methods and local linear embedding







2-3 order of magnitude speedups!

... and opens up previously intractable problems on HPC





MTV involvement has lead to many fruitful collaborations • publications:



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 - ~ APJ (x1)
 - \sim 2 in progress!
- conference talks:
 - ~ DNP (x2)
 - → ISNET (x1)
- visit to Los Alamos:
 - ~ T-division
- friends we made along the way:
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Conclusions

- The first propagation of optical potentials uncertainties into fission observables and nuclear matter quantities
 - significant uncertainties
 - phenom better at fission, worse in NM
- 2-3 order of magnitude speedups in UQ using projective model order reduction techniques
 - negligible loss of accuracy
 - potentially transformative for UQ
 - extension to global potentials





Next Steps



- I have a big boy job now
- Continue work on constraining the isovector dependence of optical potentials using (d,p), etc.
 - \sim predictive theory out to the neutron dripline
- Continue development of projective model order reduction tools for nuclear physics

 \leadsto cover the whole nuclear chart





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