



贝叶斯推断在核物理中的应用

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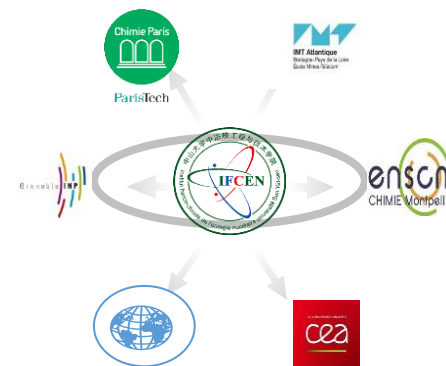
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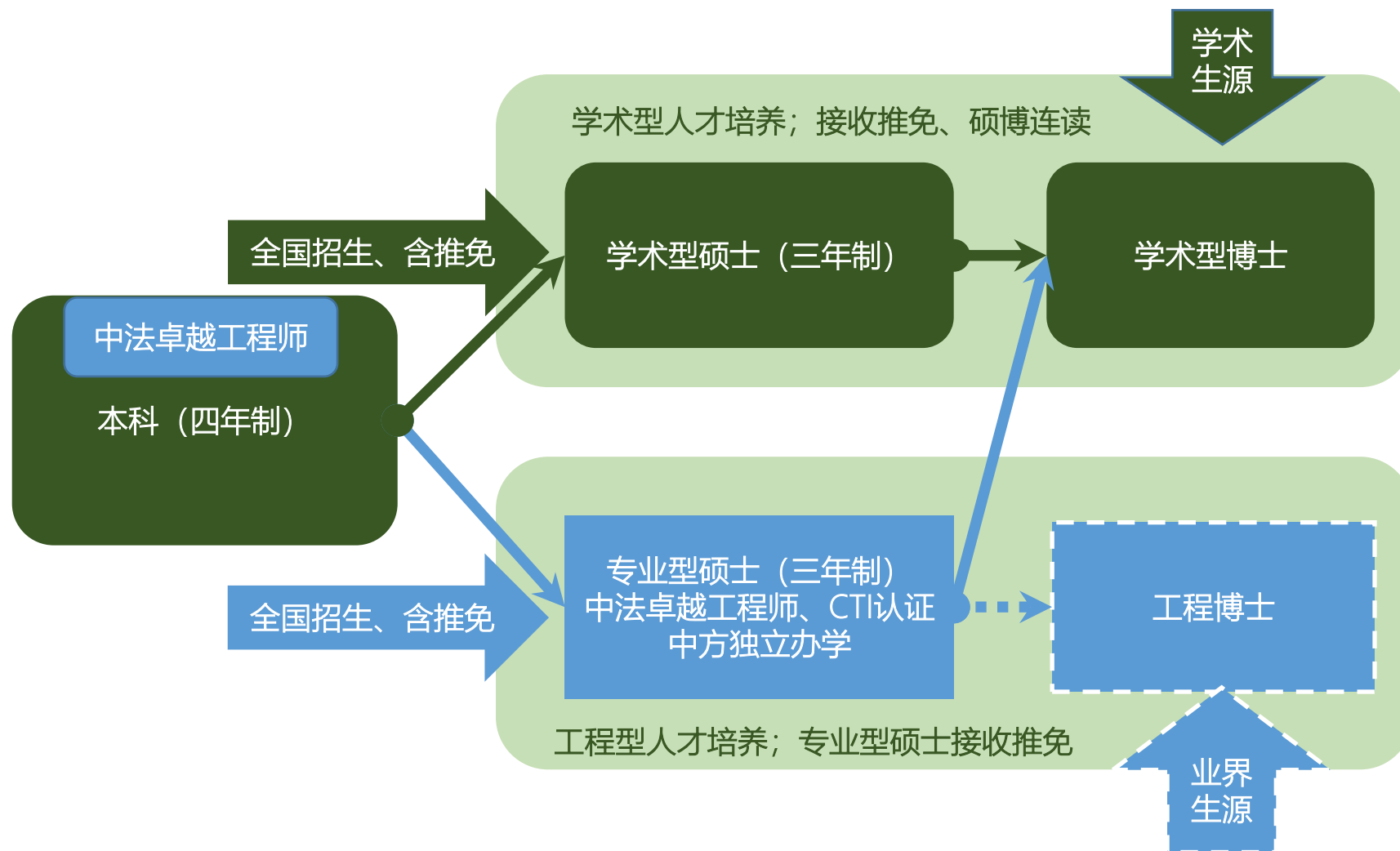
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






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
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- 裂变截面和产额
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Outline

- Motivation
- Bayesian inference approach
 - Basic concept
 - Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)
 - Gaussian process (GP)
 - Principal component analysis (PCA)
- Applications in nuclear physics
- Summary



Inverse problems in nuclear physics

Lattice QCD

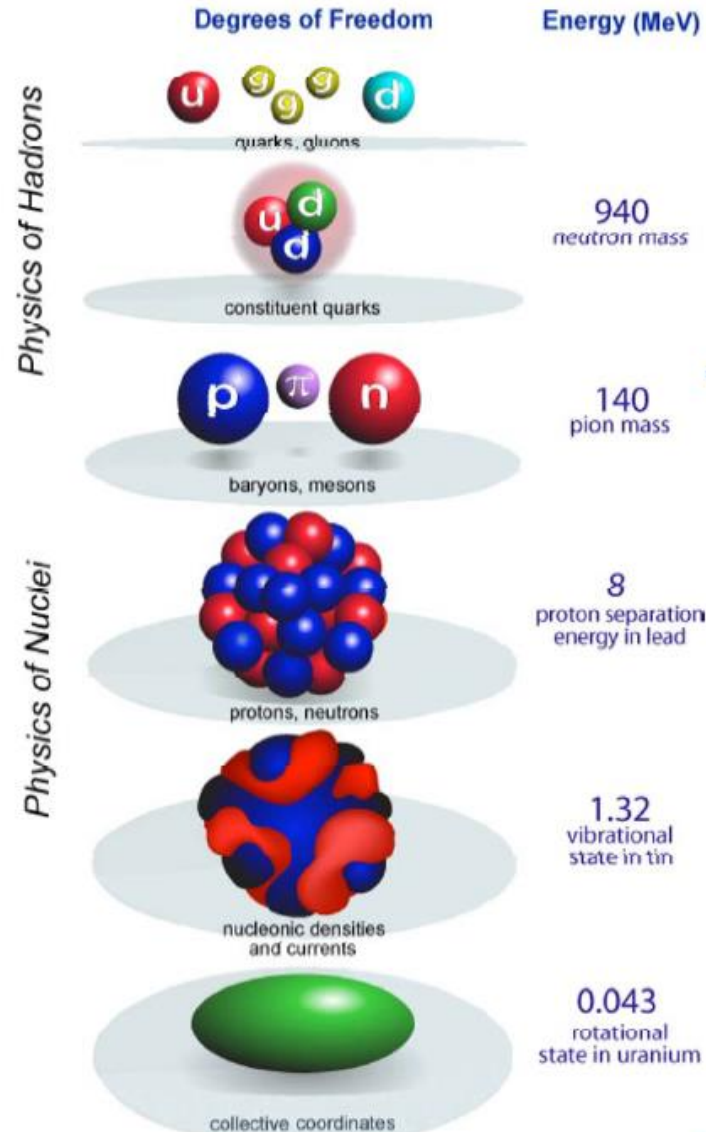
Quark model

Ab initio

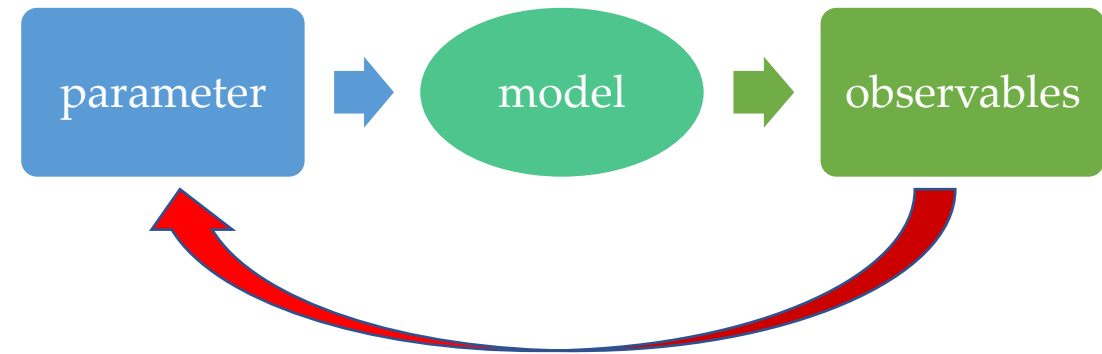
Configuration interaction

Energy density functional theory

collective models



◆ Model everywhere



Inverse problem

- Error propagation?

Uncertainty and correlation

The Editors, Phys. Rev. A 83, 040001 (2011)

It is all too often the case that the numerical results are presented without uncertainty estimates. Authors sometimes say that it is difficult to arrive at error estimates. Should this be considered an adequate reason for omitting them? [...] There is a broad class of papers where estimates of theoretical uncertainties can and should be made. Papers presenting the results of theoretical calculations are expected to include uncertainty estimates for the calculations whenever practicable, and especially under the following circumstances: (1) if the authors claim high accuracy, or improvements on the accuracy of previous work; (2) if the primary motivation for the paper is to make comparisons with present or future high precision experimental measurements; (3) if the primary motivation is to provide interpolations or extrapolations of known experimental measurements.

Referee's comment on Zhang et al. PLB 777,73 (2018)

Finally, given that the authors have calibrated a new set of extended Skyrme interactions, I puzzle why in this day and age their predictions are not accompanied by theoretical uncertainties and correlation plots.



Information content of new measurements

PHYSICAL REVIEW C **81**, 051303(R) (2010)

Information content of a new observable: The case of the nuclear neutron skin

P.-G. Reinhard¹ and W. Nazarewicz^{2,3,4,5}

1. Considering the current theoretical knowledge, what novel information does new measurement bring in?
2. How can new data reduce uncertainties of current theoretical models?



Why Bayesian analysis?

Bayesian analysis for

- ✓ Parameter calibration
- ✓ Uncertainty quantification for parameters and predictions
- ✓ Correlation analysis
- ✓ Information content of new measurements

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Frequentist approach

Optimize parameters by minimizing the object function

$$\chi^2(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{\mathcal{O}} \left(\frac{\mathcal{O}^{(\text{th})}(\mathbf{p}) - \mathcal{O}^{(\text{exp})}}{\Delta \mathcal{O}} \right)^2$$

Around the optimal parameter set \mathbf{p}_0 :

$$\chi^2(\mathbf{p}) \approx \chi^2(\mathbf{p}_0) + \sum_{i,j}^{N_p} (p_i - p_{0i}) \mathcal{M}_{ij} (p_j - p_{0j}), \text{ with } \mathcal{M}_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial p_i \partial p_j} \Big|_{\mathbf{p}_0}.$$

Multivariate Gaussian distribution:

$$\mathcal{N} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_0)^T \mathcal{C}^{-1} (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_0) \right]$$

Covariance matrix

$$\mathcal{C} = \frac{\chi^2(\mathbf{p}_0)}{N_d - N_p} \mathcal{M}^{-1}$$

Variance of A

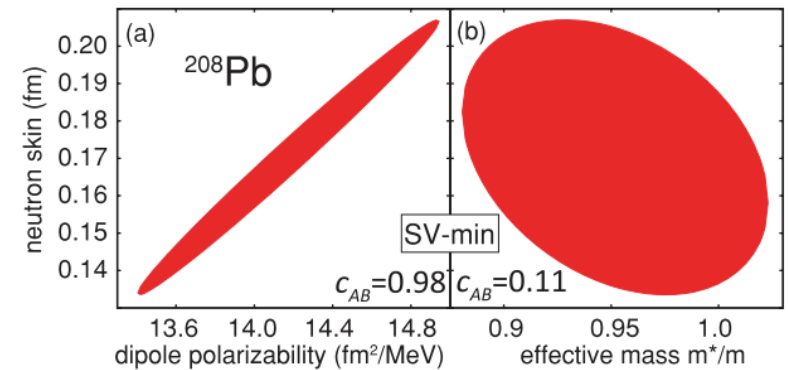
$$\sigma_A^2 = \sum_{ij} \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial p_i} \right)_0 \mathcal{C}_{ij} \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial p_j} \right)_0$$

Covariance of A and B

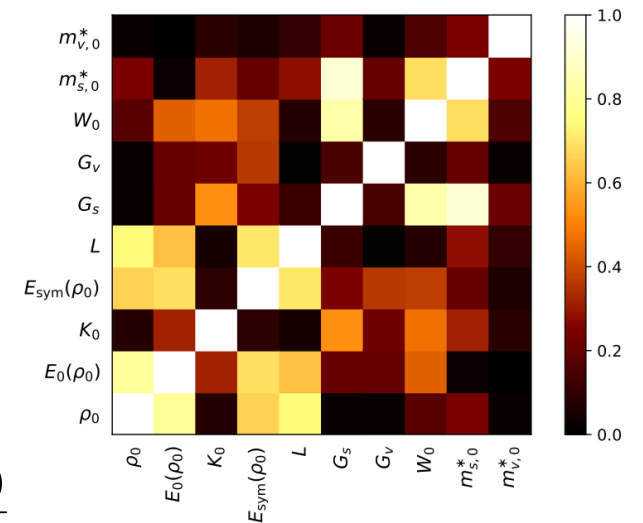
$$\text{Cov}(A, B) = \sum_{ij} \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial p_i} \right)_0 \mathcal{C}_{ij} \left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial p_j} \right)_0$$

Correlation

$$C_{AB} = \frac{\text{Cov}(A, B)}{\sigma_A \sigma_B}$$



Reinhard and Nazarewicz, PRC81, 051303(R) (2010)
Dobaczewski et al, JPG41, 074001 (2014)



Zhang et al. PLB 777,73 (2018)

Frequentist vs Bayesian

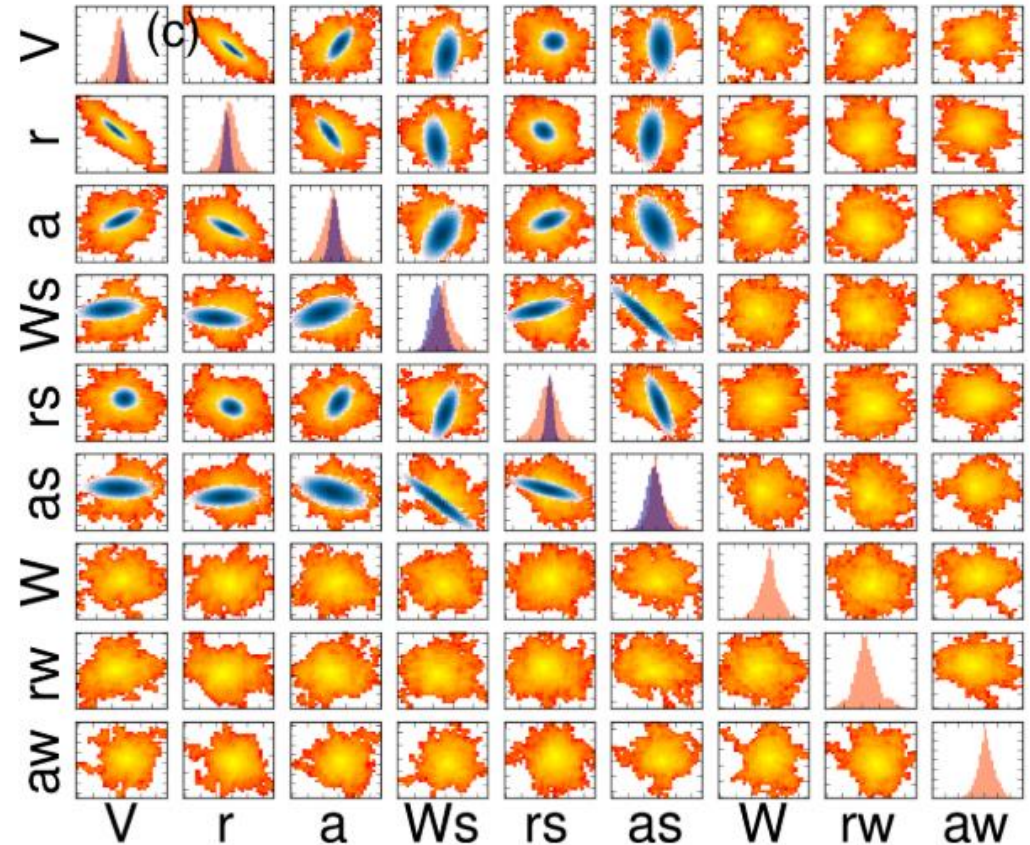
Frequentist

- Local minimum or global minimum?
- Errors and correlations are determined by $\partial^2 \chi^2 / \partial p_i \partial p_j$ at minimum point.
(reliable for a well-constrained model).

Bayesian

- More flexible in exploring parameter space.
- More reliable uncertainties and correlations.
- Prior knowledge can be easily taken into account.

King et al., PRL 122, 232502 (2019).



Blue: Frequentist approach
Orange: Bayesian based on MCMC

Bayesian Inference approach

- Take probabilistic view of parameters.
- Update knowledge on parameters upon observed data.
- Tools:
 - MADAI <http://madai.phy.duke.edu> (PCA+GP+MCMC)
 - Pymc3 <https://docs.pymc.io/>
 - ...

Bayes' theorem

- Conditional probability

$P(A | B)$: probability of event A occurring, given event B

- Product rule:

$$P(AB) = P(A | B)P(B) = P(B | A)P(A)$$

- Bayes' theorem

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$



Bayesian inference

- **Likelihood:** probability of observed data given parameter $p(\mathcal{D} | \boldsymbol{\theta})$

- **Prior:** knowledge about the parameters before seeing data $p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$

Usually flat

- **Posterior:** probability of parameters given observed data $p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathcal{D})$

e.g., $\exp\left[-\sum_i \frac{(o_i - o_i^{\text{exp}})^2}{2\sigma_i^2}\right]$, $\sigma_i = \sqrt{\sigma_{i,\text{th}}^2 + \sigma_{i,\text{exp}}^2}$

- Apply Bayes' rule:

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathcal{D}) = \frac{p(\mathcal{D} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{p(\mathcal{D})} \propto p(\mathcal{D} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta}),$$

with $p(\mathcal{D})$ being evidence or marginal distribution of the data.

- Make predictions:

$$p(O | \mathcal{D}) = \int p(O | \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathcal{D}) d\boldsymbol{x}$$



Bayesian inference-uncertainty quantification

- **边缘分布** (Marginal distribution)

$$p(\theta_i | \mathcal{D}) = \frac{\int p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathcal{D}) d \prod_{j \neq i} \theta_j}{\int p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathcal{D}) d \prod_j \theta_j}$$

- **置信区间** (credible interval) [a,b]:

$$P(a \leq \theta_i \leq b) = \int_a^b p(\theta_i | \mathcal{D}) dx_i = 1 - \alpha$$

通常可选取 $P(\theta_i < a) = P(\theta_i > b) = \alpha/2$

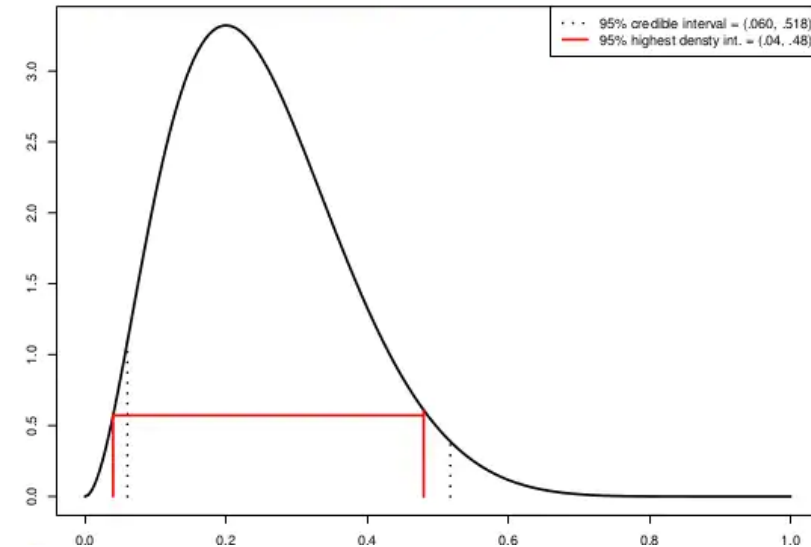
- **平均值** (mean value):

$$\langle \theta_i \rangle = \int \theta_i p(\theta_i | \mathcal{D}) d\boldsymbol{\theta}$$

- **中位数** (median value) U :

$$P(\theta_i < U) = 0.5$$

- **Maximum a posterior**



Bayesian inference-correlation analysis

- **联合分布** (joint distribution)

$$p[(\theta_i, \theta) | \mathcal{D}] = \frac{\int p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathcal{D}) d \prod_{k \neq i, j} \theta_k}{\int p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathcal{D}) d \prod_k \theta_k}$$

- **协方差** (covariance) :

$$Cov(\theta_i, \theta_j) = \int (\theta_i - \langle \theta_i \rangle) (\theta_j - \langle \theta_j \rangle) p[(\theta_i, \theta_j) | \mathcal{D}] d\theta_i d\theta_j$$

- **相关系数** (correlation coefficient):

$$R = \frac{Cov(\theta_i, \theta_j)}{\sigma_i \sigma_j}$$

with $\sigma_i = \sqrt{\langle (\theta_i - \langle \theta_i \rangle)^2 \rangle}$ being the standard deviation of θ_i



Technique difficulties

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathcal{D}) = \frac{p(\mathcal{D} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\int p(\mathcal{D} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) d\boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

Difficulties:

- ❑ Non-analytical
- ❑ High-dimensional (many parameters)
- ❑ Slow model



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Solutions:

- ❑ Variational inference
- ❑ Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)

- ❑ Emulator:
 - Gaussian process (GP)
 - + Principal component analysis (PCA)
 - (Dimensionality Reduction for multi-observables)

Metropolis-Hastings Algorithm

- **Metropolis-Hastings algorithm** (Metropolis et al. 1953, Hastings 1970):

Construct a Markov Chain for θ by employing an auxiliary distribution that is easy to sample from.

- **Steps:**

1. Choose a starting value $\theta^{(i)}$ ($i = 0$);
2. Produce a candidate value θ^* according to a **proposal distribution** $q(\theta^* | \theta^{(i)})$;
3. Calculate the **acceptance probability**

$$a(\theta^{(i)}, \theta^*) = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{p(\theta^* | \mathcal{D}) q(\theta^{(i)} | \theta^*)}{p(\theta^{(i)} | \mathcal{D}) q(\theta^* | \theta^{(i)})} \right\}$$

Ratio independent of the normalization factor

4. Generate $u \sim U(0,1)$,
If $u < a$, let $\theta^{(i+1)} = \theta^*$, else $\theta^{(i+1)} = \theta^i$.
5. $i=i+1$, go to the 2nd step.

- The Markov Chain converges to the stationary distribution $p(\theta | \mathcal{D})$



Random-walk Metropolis-Hastings

- Take $q(\theta^*|\theta^{(i)})$ to be **symmetric**, i.e.,

$$q(\theta^*|\theta^{(i)}) = q(\theta^{(i)}|\theta^*) = q(|\theta^* - \theta^{(i)}|).$$

Popular choices are (multivariate) Gaussians or t-distributions.

- Draw $\epsilon \sim q$, $\theta^* = \theta^{(i)} + \epsilon$

- **Acceptance probability**

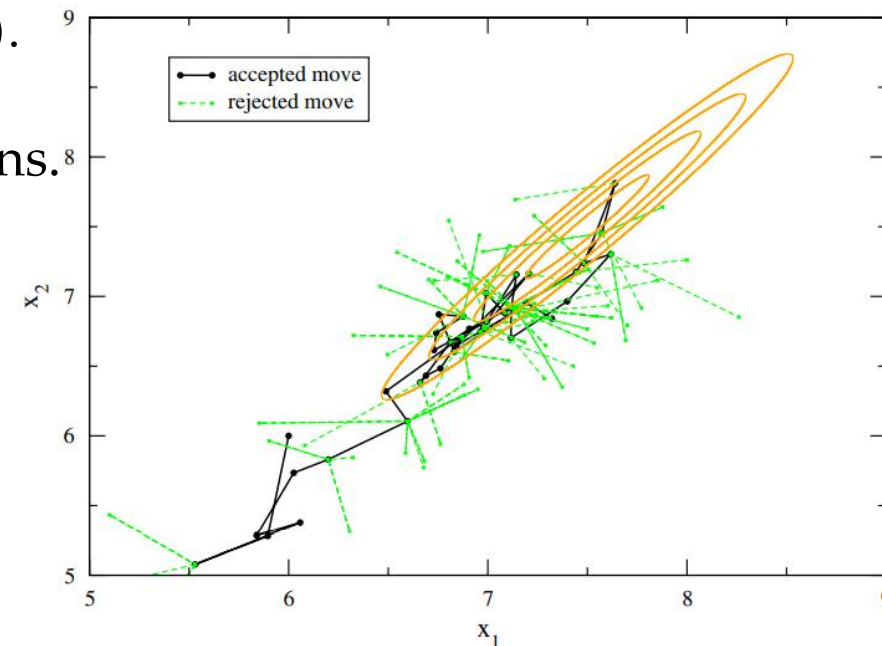
$$a(\theta^{(i)}, \theta^*) = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{p(\theta^* | \mathcal{D})}{p(\theta^{(i)} | \mathcal{D})} \right\}$$

- **Scale parameter** controls the acceptance rates.

- **Q: convergency? Autocorrelation?**

[Interactive MCMC Sampling Visualizer](https://chi-feng.github.io/mcmc-demo) by Chi Feng

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U. von Toussaint, Rev. Mod. Phys. 83. 943 (2011)

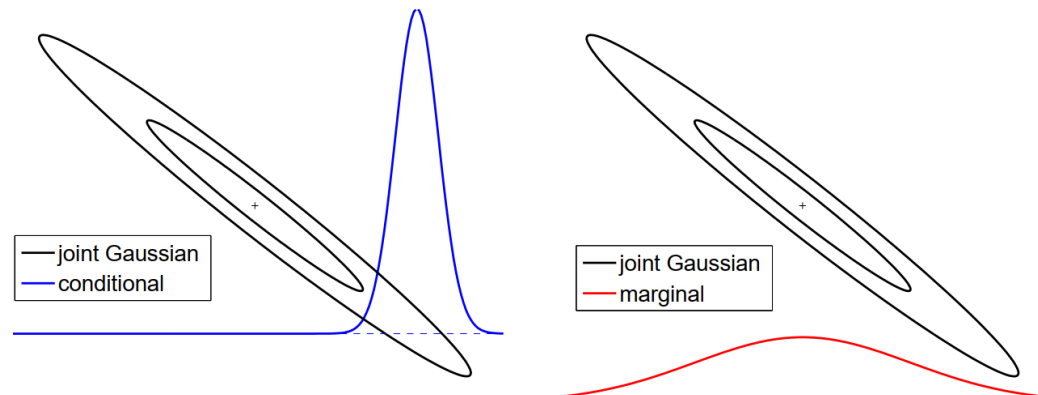
- **Definition:** A Gaussian process is a collection of random variables, any finite number of which have a joint Gaussian distribution.

Rasmussen and Williams, *Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning*, MIT Press, 2006

- **Multivariate Gaussian distribution**

$$p(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ is the mean vector and $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ is the covariance matrix.



Conditional and **marginal** distributions of a multivariate Gaussian are gaussian

Gaussian process emulator

- GP can serve as a **fast surrogate** of a slow model.

Given **training data** from model calculations, a GP can guess model prediction y_* at x_* .

$$X = (\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_m), \mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_m)$$

- Considering \mathbf{y} and y_* as **random variables**, seek for **$p(y_* | \mathbf{y})$** .
 - y_* and \mathbf{y} should be correlated and the correlation depends on $|x_* - x_i|$.

- **Prior:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ y_* \end{bmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma^0(X, X) & \Sigma^0(X, \vec{x}_*) \\ \Sigma^0(\vec{x}_*, X) & \Sigma^0(\vec{x}_*, \vec{x}_*) \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Covariance matrix

- **Conditional distribution:**

$$y_* | \mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_*, \sigma_*^2)$$

$$\mu_* | \mathbf{y} = \Sigma^0(x_*, X) \Sigma^0(X, X)^{-1} \mathbf{y}$$

$$\sigma_*^2 = \sigma(x_*, x_*) - \Sigma^0(x_*, X) \Sigma^0(X, X)^{-1} \Sigma^0(X, x_*)$$



Gaussian process emulator

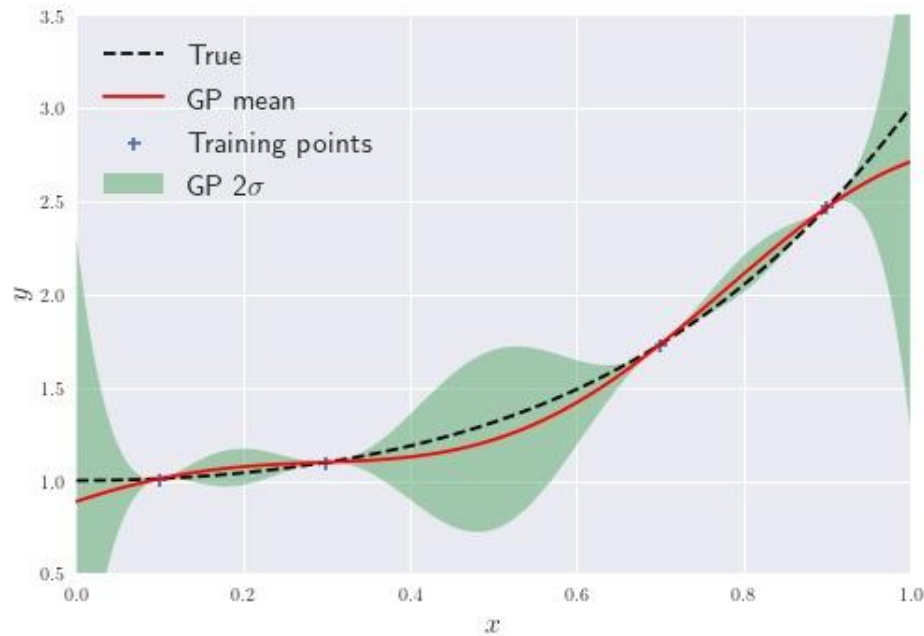
A typical covariance function:

$$\Sigma^0(X, X) = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma(\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_1) & \cdots & \sigma(\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_m) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma(\vec{x}_m, \vec{x}_1) & \cdots & \sigma(\vec{x}_m, \vec{x}_m) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma(\vec{x}_i, \vec{x}_j) = \sigma_{GP}^2 \exp\left(-\sum_k \frac{(x_{i,k} - x_{j,k})^2}{2l_k^2}\right) + \sigma_n^2 \delta_{ij}$$

Decrease with distance

Hyper-parameters:

- Noise σ_n = uncertainty of a stochastic model
- Amplitude σ_{GP} only affects σ_* but not affect μ_* if $\sigma_n=0$
- Length scale l_k : usually μ_* is relatively insensitive to l_k



- Reproduce the training points without noise
- Make predictions with statistical uncertainties
- Values of *hyper-parameters*?

Maximize marginal likelihood

- Log marginal likelihood :

$$\log P(\mathbf{y} | X, \theta) = -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{y}^\top (\Sigma^0)^{-1} \mathbf{y} - \frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma^0| - \frac{m}{2} \log 2\pi$$

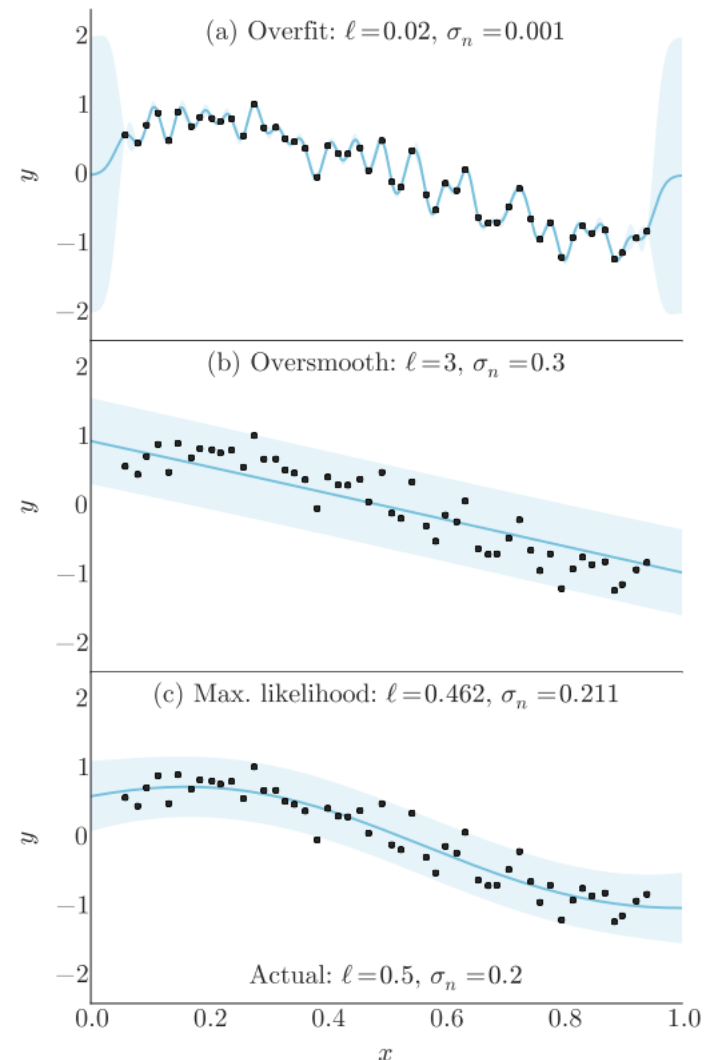
- Hyper-parameters can be determined by maximizing the marginal likelihood
- Example:

$$\sigma(x, x') = \exp\left(-\frac{|x - x'|^2}{2\ell^2}\right) + \sigma_n^2 \delta_{xx'}$$

$$\mathcal{GP}(x_*, (X, \mathbf{y})) \sim \mathcal{M}(x_*)$$

- GP for a single output. Multiple output case?

Bernhard et al., PRC 91, 054910 (2015)

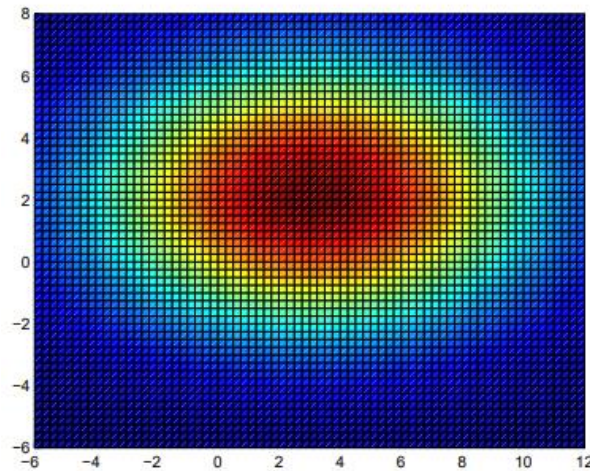


Principal component analysis

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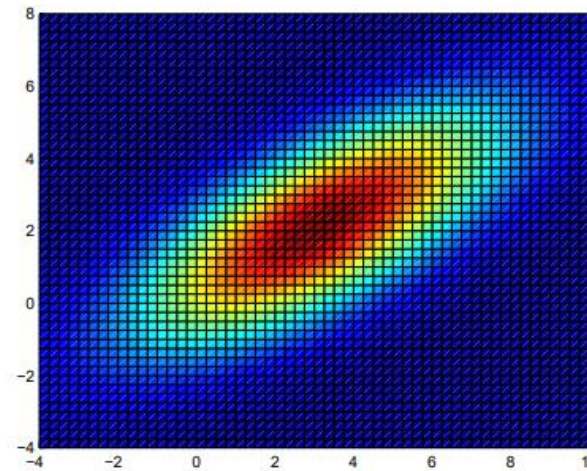
I.T. Jolliffe, *Principal Component Analysis*, Second Edition

uncorrelated



$$\mathcal{N}\left(\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 25 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

correlated



$$\mathcal{N}\left(\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 5 \\ 5 & 5 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

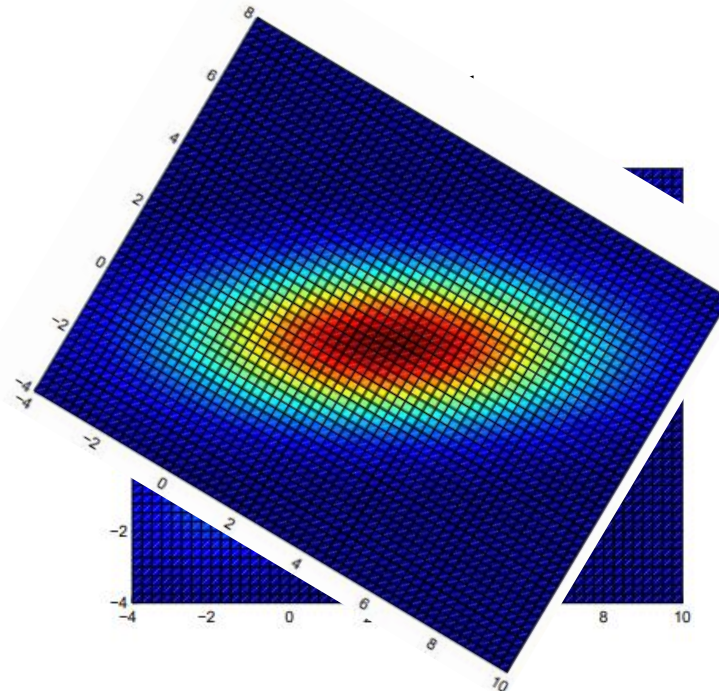
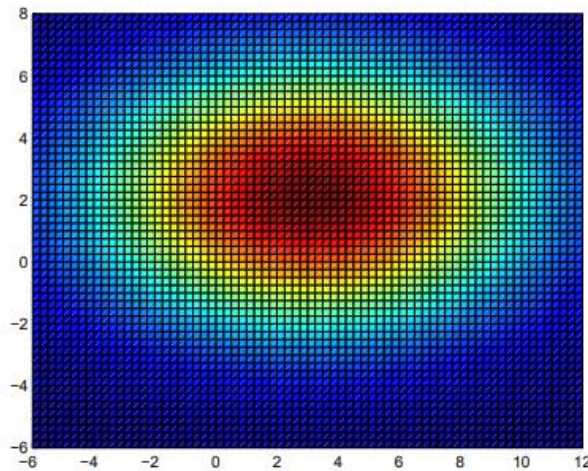
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Principal component analysis

- m correlated observables/model output o_i
- o_i are functions of model parameters, but linear combinations of o_i may be independent of parameters.

$$\tilde{o}_i = \frac{o_i - \langle o_i \rangle}{\sigma_i} \quad \text{average over training data}$$

- Covariance matrix:

$$M = \langle \tilde{o}_i \tilde{o}_j \rangle, \quad (\langle \tilde{o}_i \rangle = \langle \tilde{o}_j \rangle = 0)$$

- Eigenvalue decomposition

$$M = U \Lambda U^T$$

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvalue

$$U = (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m)$$

Normalized Eigenvectors



Principal component analysis

$$M = U \Lambda U^T$$

$$UU^T = I$$

Covariance Matrix

Physics output	Principal component
\tilde{o}	$\mathbf{z} = \tilde{o}U$
$\langle \tilde{o} \rangle = 0$	$\langle \mathbf{z} \rangle = 0$
$\langle \tilde{o}_i \tilde{o}_j \rangle = M$	$\langle z_i z_j \rangle = U^T \langle \tilde{o}_i \tilde{o}_j \rangle U = \Lambda$
Correlated	Uncorrelated

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &\propto \exp \left[- \sum_i \frac{(o_i - o_i^{\text{exp}})^2}{2\sigma_i^2} \right] \\ &= \exp \left[- \frac{1}{2} \sum_i (\tilde{o}_i - \tilde{o}_i^{\text{exp}})^2 \right] \\ &= \exp \left[- \frac{1}{2} \sum_i (z_i - z_i^{\text{exp}})^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

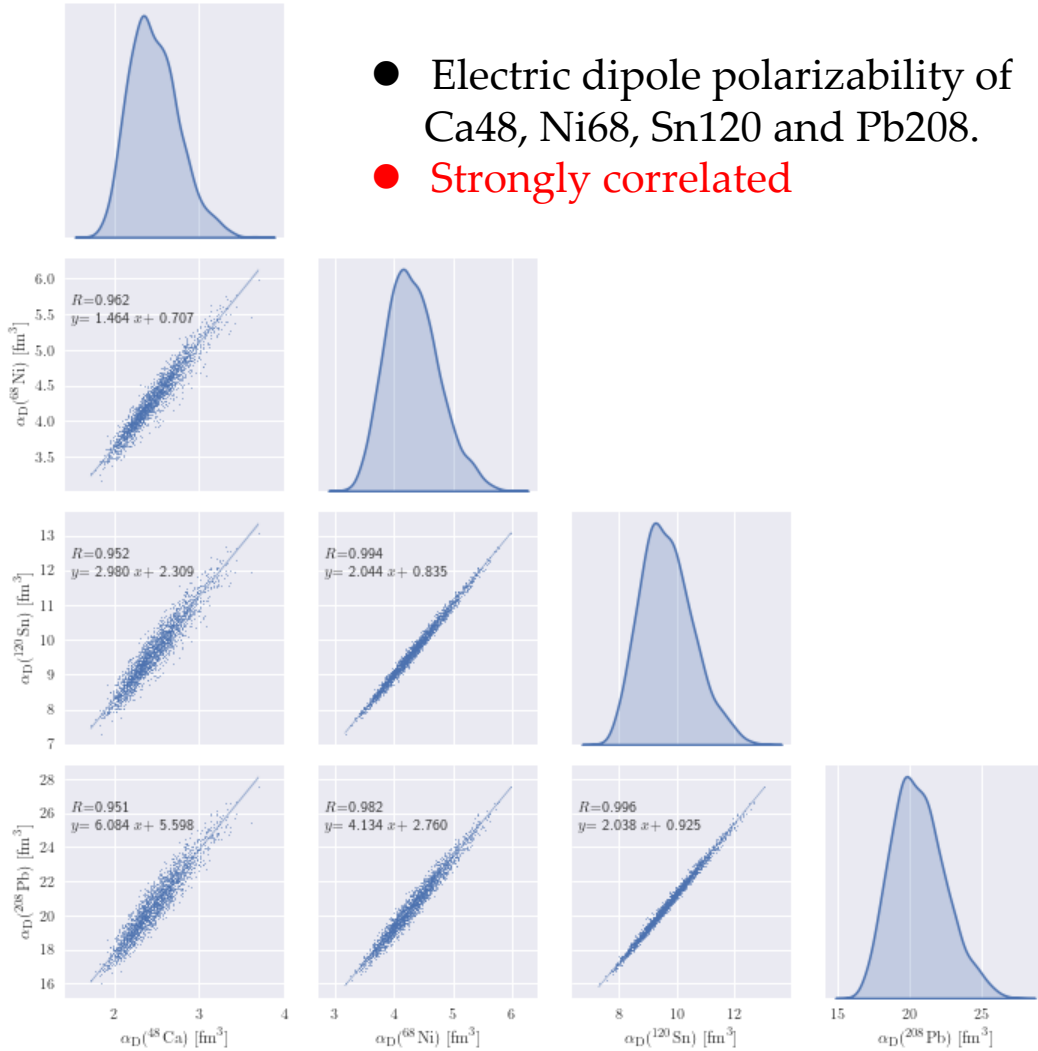
- λ_i is the variance of z_i .
- Retain the first q PCs with the largest eigenvalues.
- m correlated outputs $\rightarrow q$ uncorrelated PCs.

$$\sum_{i=1}^q \lambda_i / \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \leq V$$

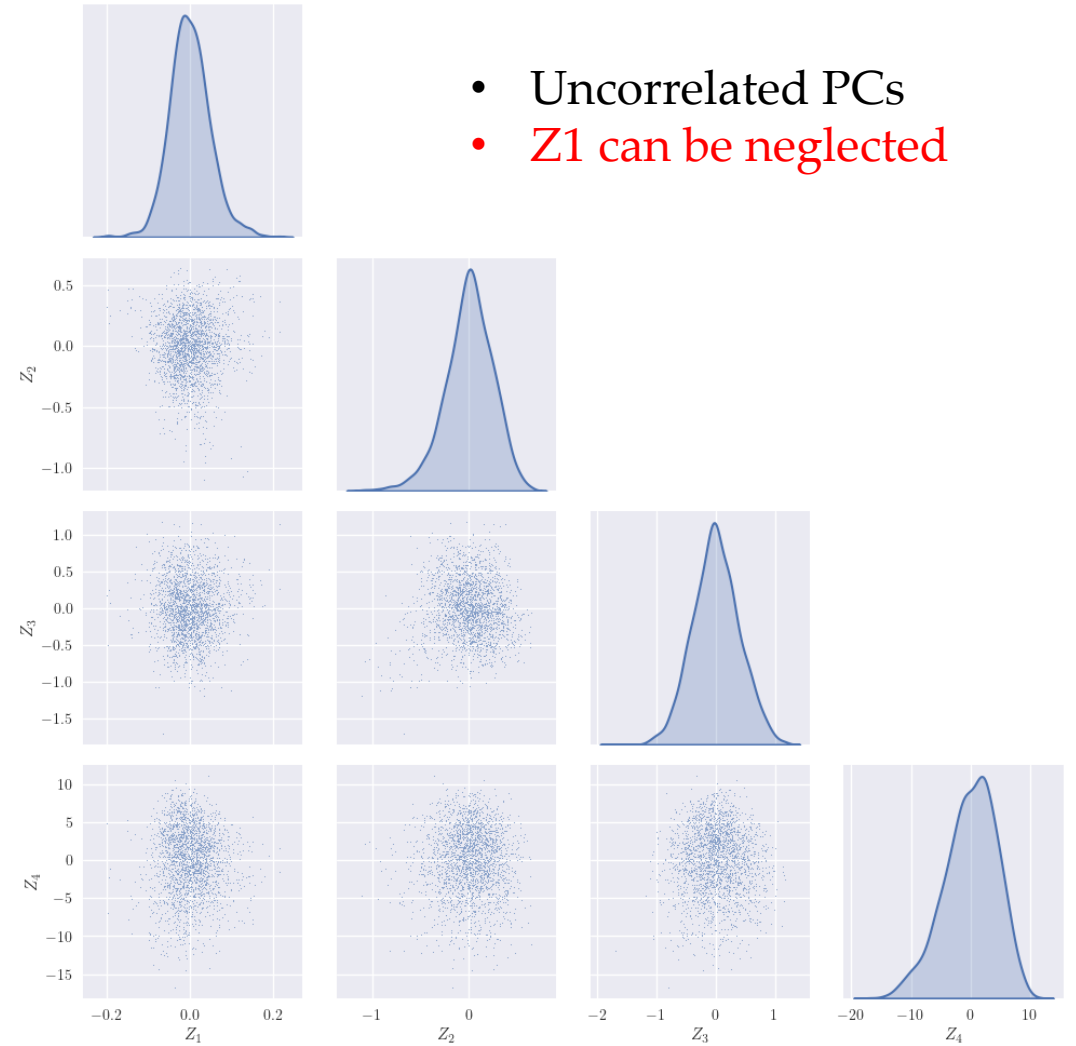


PCA-examples

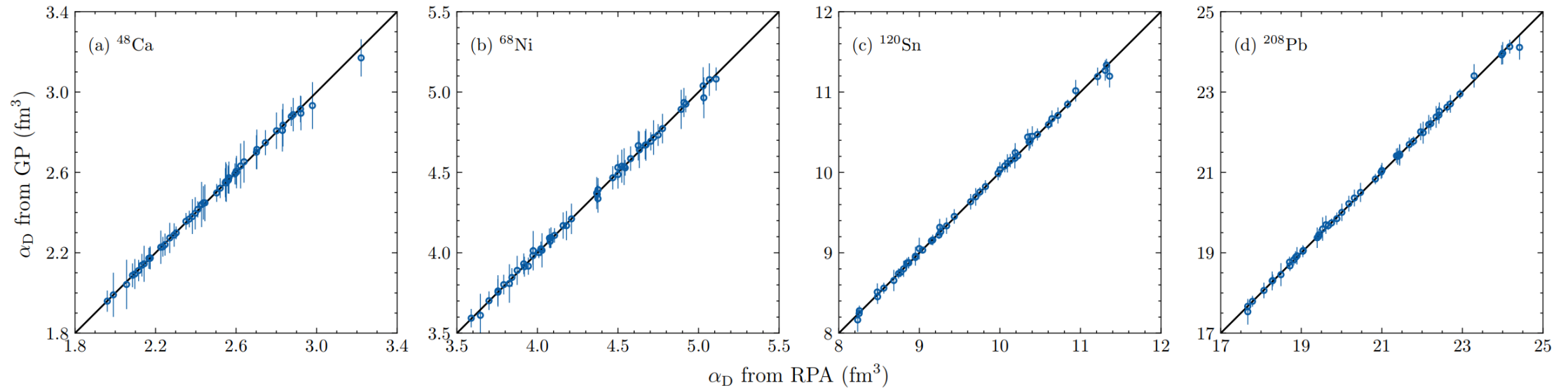
- Electric dipole polarizability of Ca48, Ni68, Sn120 and Pb208.
- Strongly correlated



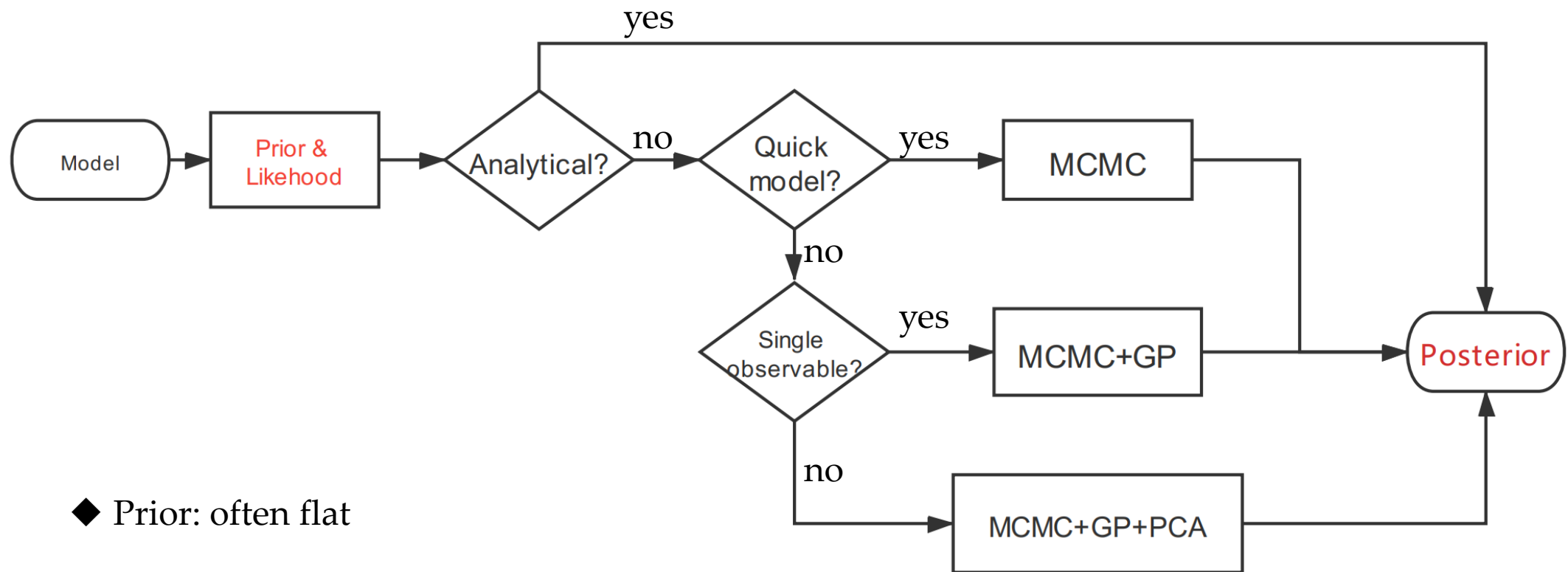
- Uncorrelated PCs
- Z1 can be neglected



GP vs Model



- ◆ Tune GPs for dominant PCs instead of all model outputs.
- ◆ PCA+GPs => a **multivariate** emulator.



◆ Prior: often flat

◆ Likelihood: often Gaussian

Applications in nuclear physics

Reconstruction of impact parameter

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Model independent reconstruction of impact parameter distributions for intermediate energy heavy ion collisions

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X : an observable depending on b

$$P(X) = \int_0^{\infty} P(b) P(X|b) db.$$

Centrality: $c_b \equiv \int_0^b P(b') db'$,

$$P(X) = \int_0^1 P(c_b) P(X|c_b) dc_b = \int_0^1 P(X|c_b) dc_b$$

$$P(c_b, X) = P(c_b|X)P(X) = P(\bar{X}|c_b)\bar{P}(c_b)$$

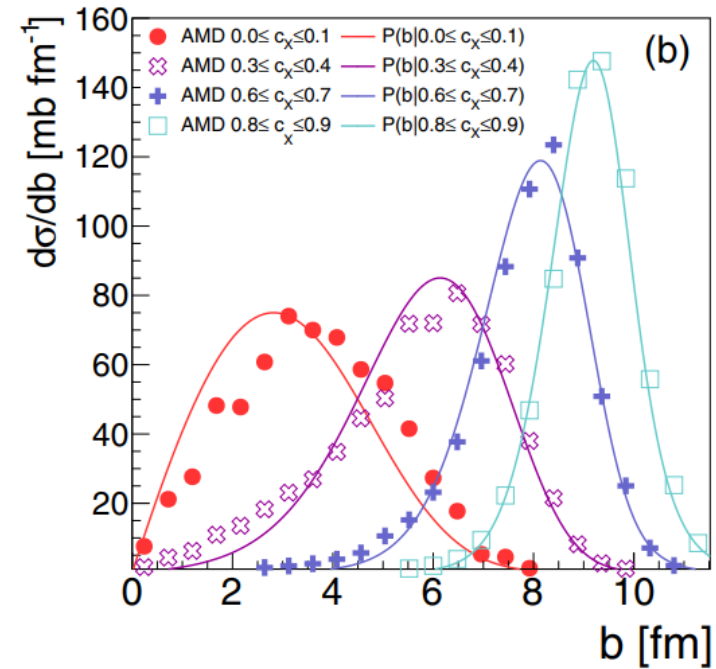
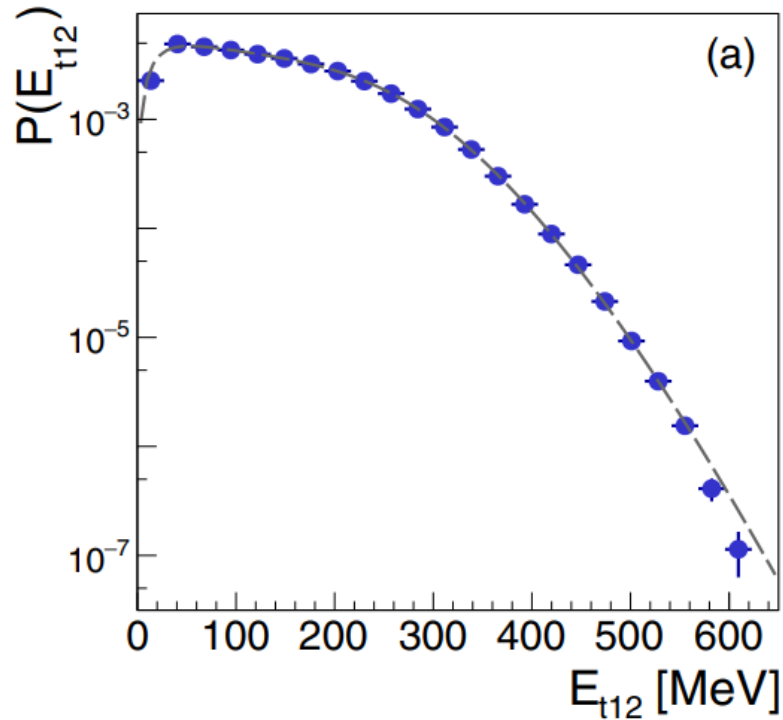
$$P(c_b|x_1 \leq X \leq x_2) = \frac{\int_{x_1}^{x_2} P(c_b, X) dX}{\int_{x_1}^{x_2} P(X) dX} = \frac{\int_{x_1}^{x_2} P(c_b|X)P(X) dX}{\int_{x_1}^{x_2} P(X) dX}$$



Reconstruction of impact parameter

$$P(X|c_b) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(k)\theta^k} X^{k-1} e^{-X/\theta}, \quad k(c_b) = k_{max}(1 - c_b^\alpha)^\gamma + k_{min}$$

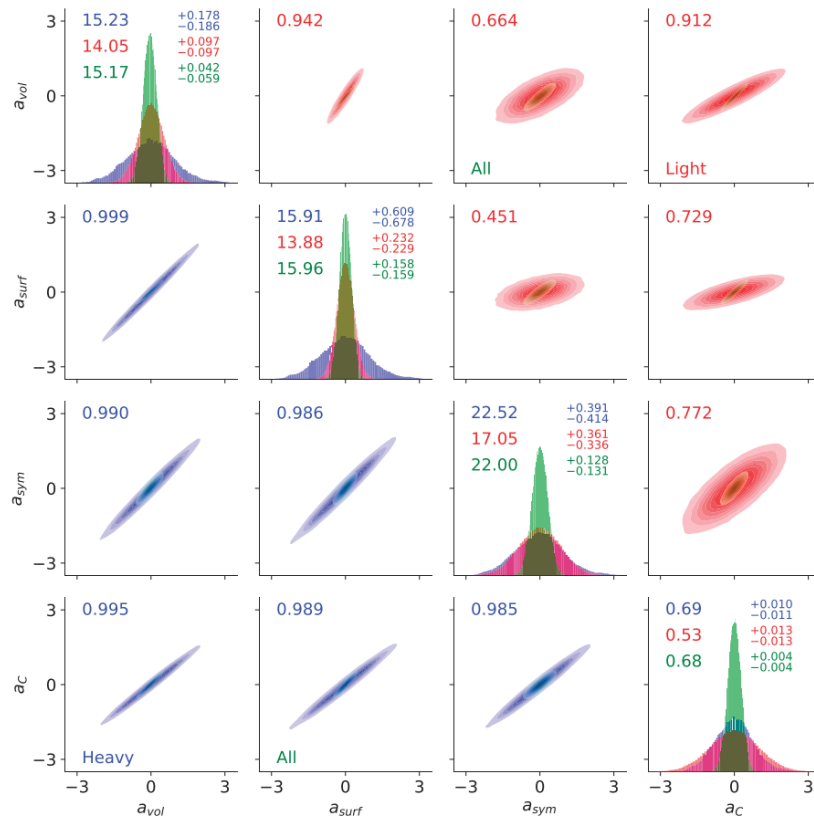
5 parameters determined by fitting experimental data



Liquid drop model

- The semi-empirical mass formula of the LDM parametrizes the binding energy of the nucleus (Z, N) as:

$$E_{\text{LDM}}(N, Z) = a_{\text{vol}}A - a_{\text{surf}}A^{2/3} - a_{\text{sym}}\frac{(N - Z)^2}{A} - a_{\text{C}}\frac{Z(Z - 1)}{A^{1/3}}$$



Kejzlar et al., JPG 47, 094001 (2020)

- Prior: Gaussian with larger variances
- Likelihood: exponential square
- Data:
 - (a) LDM(A) – LDM fitted on all 595 even–even nuclei.
 - (b) LDM(L) – LDM restricted to the light domain (153 nuclei).
 - (c) LDM(H) – LDM restricted to the heavy domain (287 nuclei).
- MCMC

Nuclear energy density functional (EDF)

Energy density functional : $E(\rho_n, \rho_p, \mathbf{s}_n, \mathbf{s}_p, \dots)$

- Nonrelativistic: Skyrme, Gogny
- Relativistic: Relativistic mean-field.
- ...

Applications :

- Density profile
- Mass formula
- Neutron Drip line
- Fission barrier
- Neutron stars
- ...

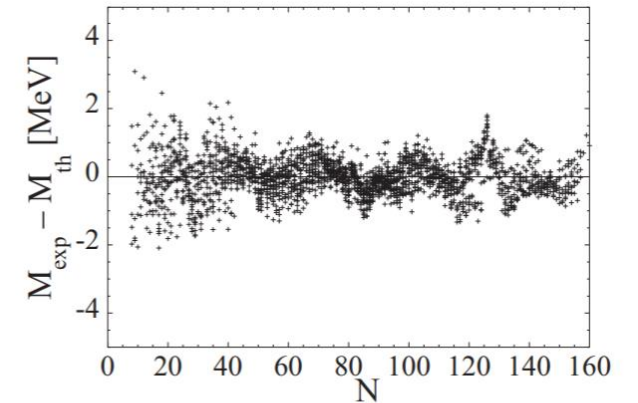
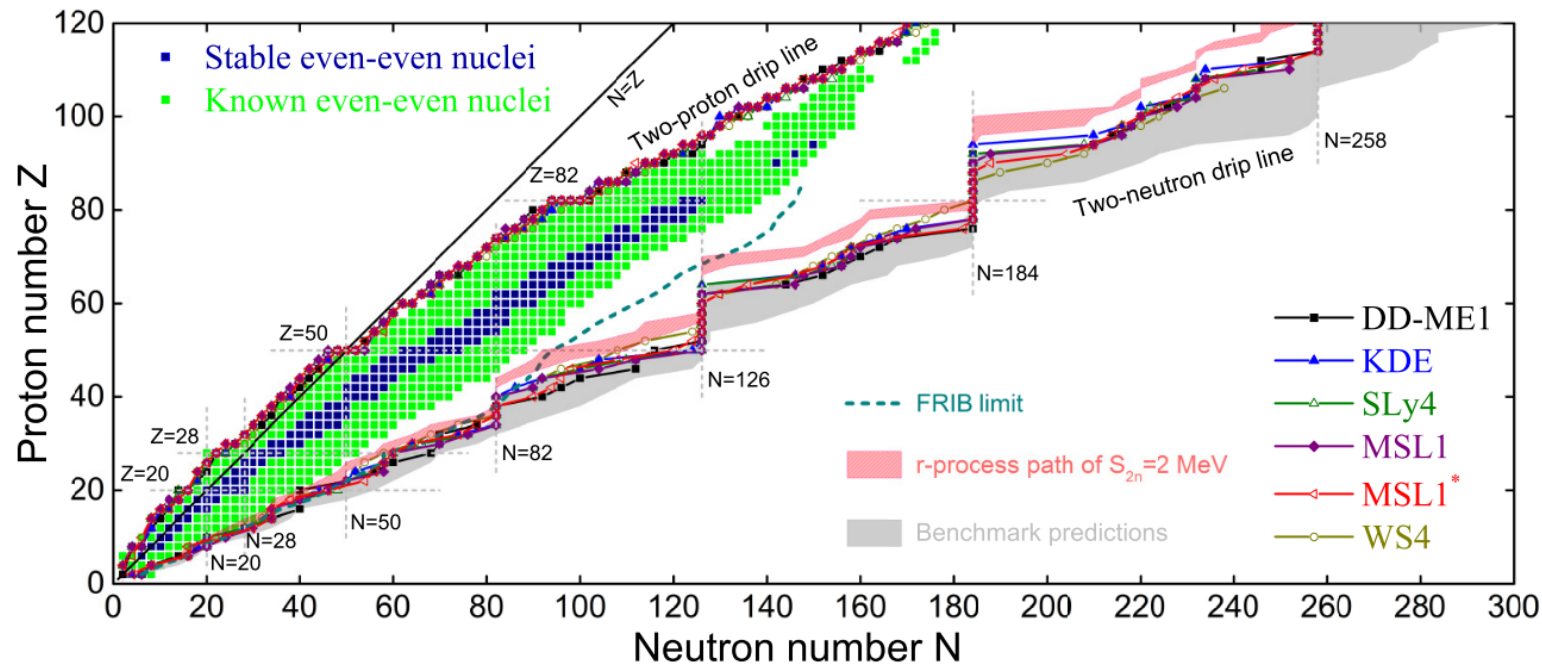


FIG. 2. Difference between measured [16] and HFB-31 masses as a function of the neutron number N .

Goriely et al., PRC93, 034337 (2016)

Wang and Chen, PRC 92, 031303(R) (2015)



Uncertainty Quantification for Nuclear Density Functional Theory and Information Content of New Measurements

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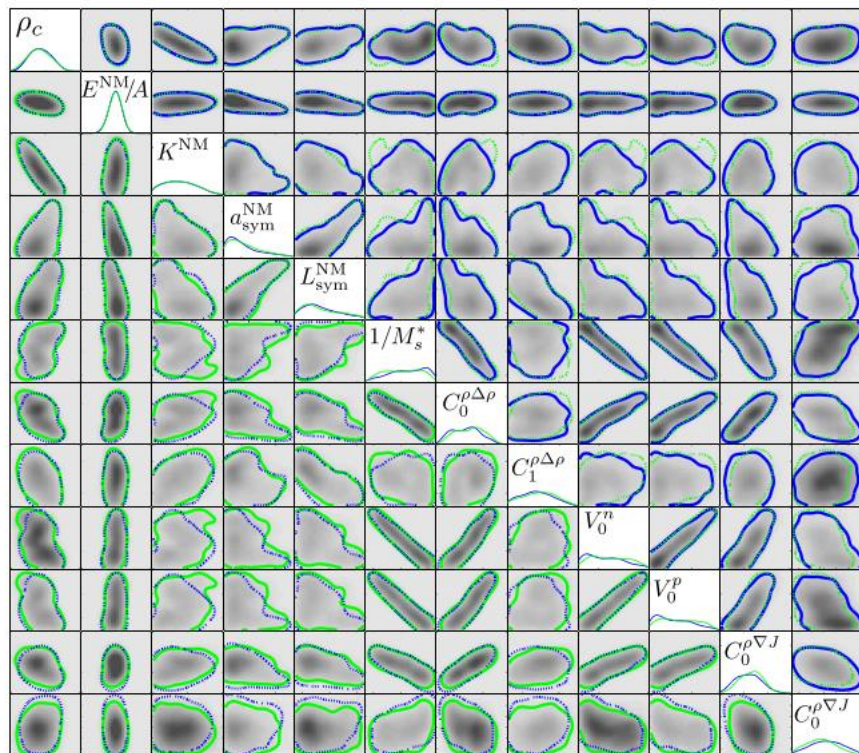
- Model: Skyrme EDF with 12 parameters.
- Data: 115 (masses, radii...)+17 new mass measurements.
- Prior: Uniform
- Computing χ^2 requires 5 min with over 800 cores

$$\chi^2(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{n_d - n_x} \sum_{t=1}^{n_r} \sum_{j=1}^{n_t} \left(\frac{y_{tj}(\mathbf{x}) - d_{tj}}{\sigma_t} \right)^2$$

- Gaussian process based on 200 training points.
- (PCA+)GP+MCMC

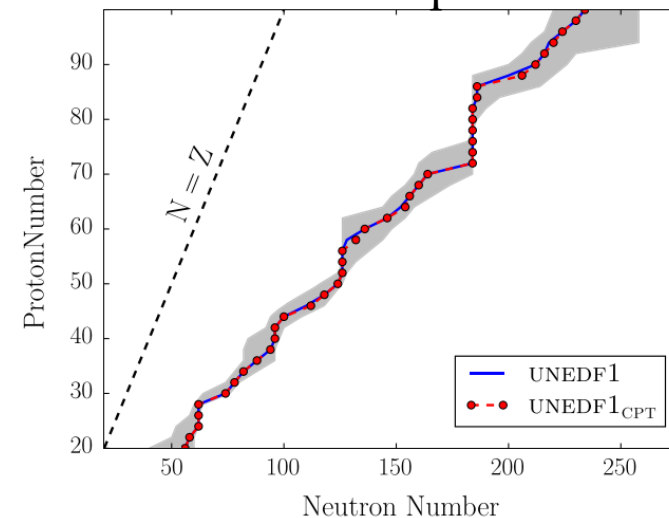
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Nuclear energy density functional

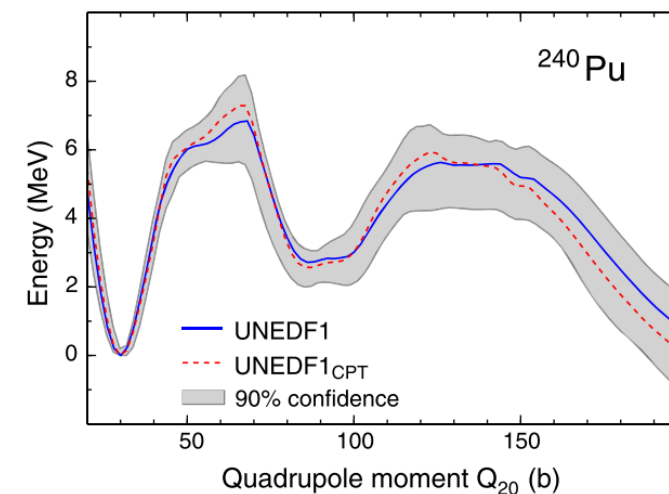


- Univariate and bivariate marginal estimates of the posterior distribution
- **Blue**: 115 data points; **Green**: 115 + 17

Neutron drip line



Fission barrier



Nuclear equation of state

- Nuclear EoS: binding energy per nucleon in nuclear matter

$$E = E(\rho, \delta) = E_0(\rho) + E_{\text{sym}}(\rho)\delta^2 + E_{\text{sym},4}(\rho)\delta^4 + \mathcal{O}(\delta^6), \quad \delta = (\rho_n - \rho_p) / \rho$$

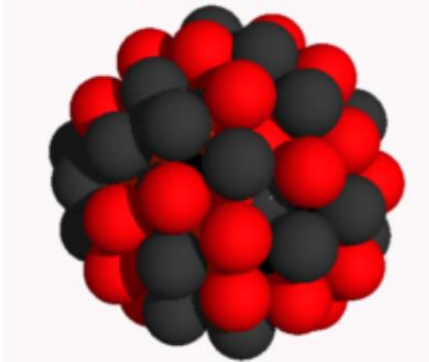
- EoS of symmetric nuclear matter.

$$E_0(\rho) = E_0(\rho_0) + \frac{1}{2!}K_0\chi^2 + \frac{1}{3!}J_0\chi^3 + \mathcal{O}(\chi^4), \quad \chi = (\rho - \rho_0)/3\rho_0$$

- Symmetry energy

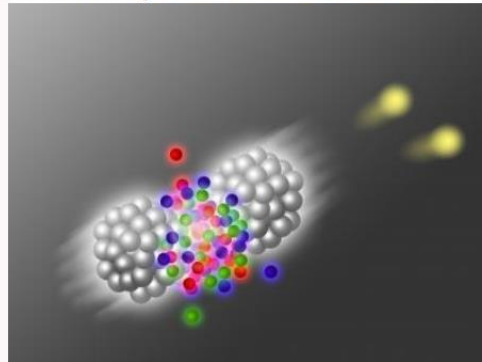
$$E_{\text{sym}}(\rho) = \left. \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 E(\rho, \delta)}{\partial \delta^2} \right|_{\delta=0} = E_{\text{sym}}(\rho_0) + L\chi + \frac{1}{2!}K_{\text{sym}}\chi^2 + \mathcal{O}(\chi^3)$$

finite nuclei



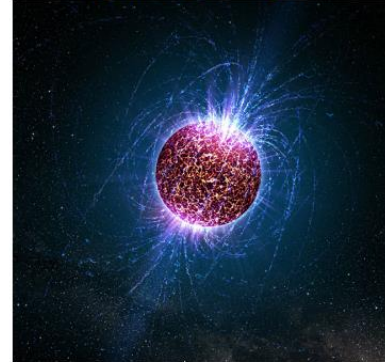
$\leq \rho_0$

heavy ion collision



a wide density range

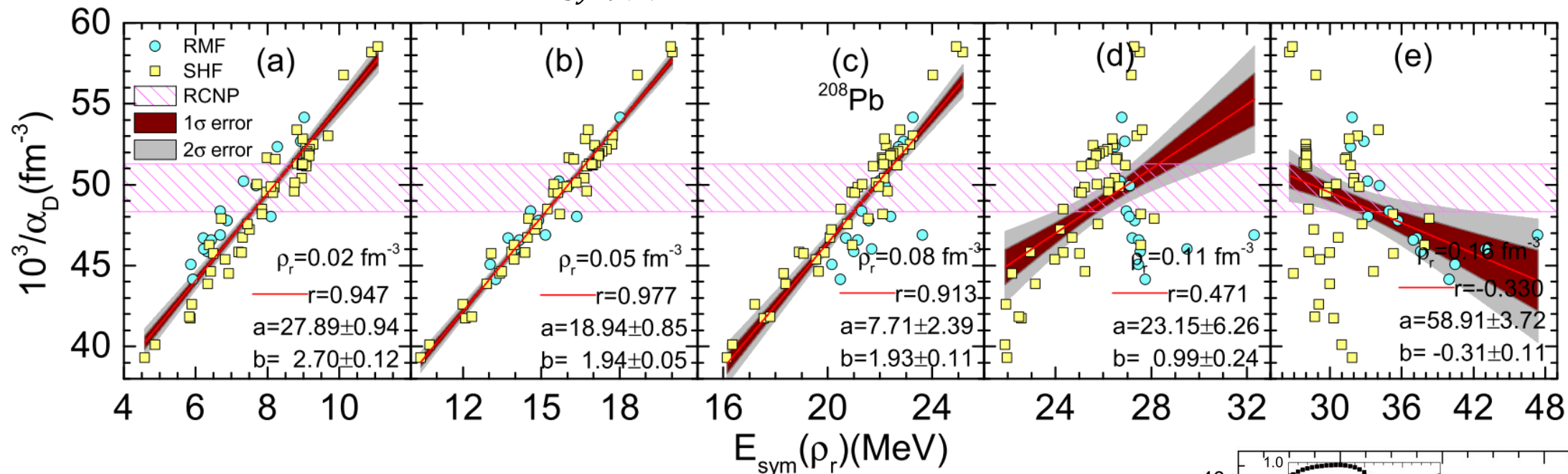
neutron star



$> 2 \sim 3 \rho_0$

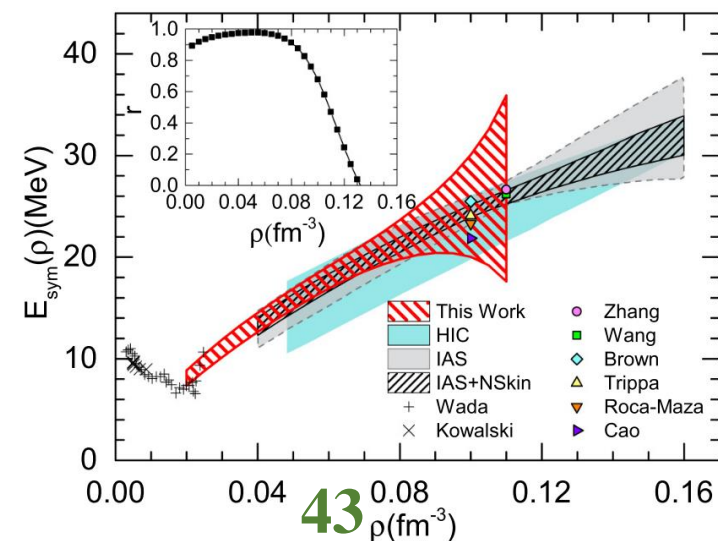
Esym from nuclear dipole polarizability

$1/\alpha_D - E_{sym}(\rho)$ at different densities



Zhang and Chen PRC 92, 031301(R) (2015)

- Strong linear correlation at $\rho_r = 0.05 \text{ fm}^{-3}$.
- Value and uncertainty are extracted from linear fits.





Constraining isovector nuclear interactions with giant resonances within a Bayesian approach

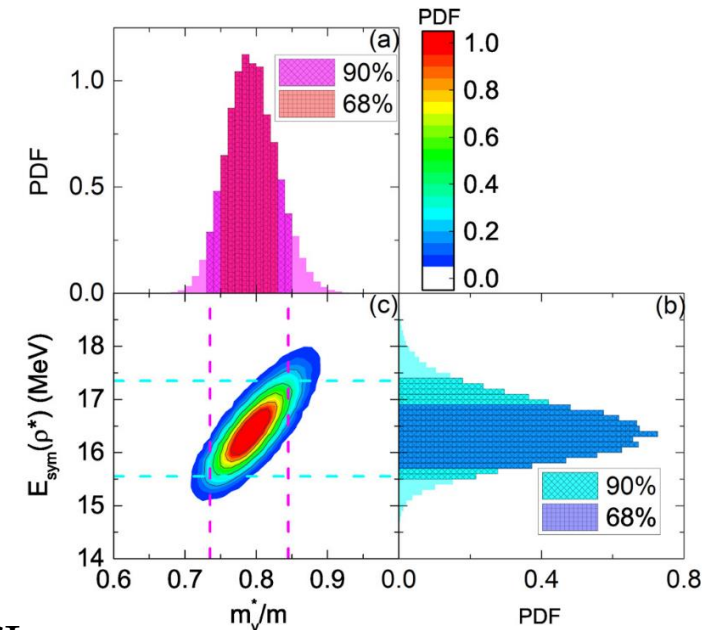
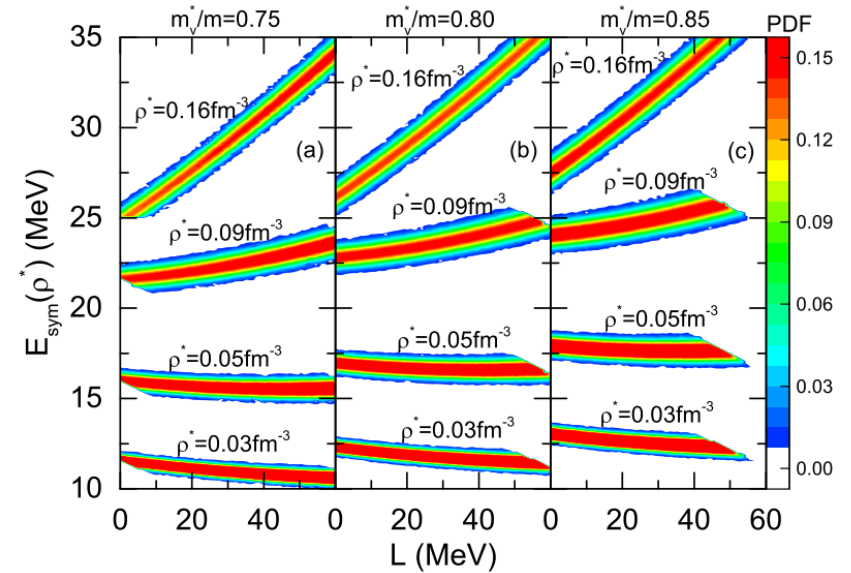
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- Skyrme EDF: 3 isovector parameters
- Data: α_D and GDR energy of Pb208
- Likelihood:

$$P[D(d_{1,2}) | M(p_{1,2,3})] = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2} \exp\left[-\frac{(d_1^{th} - d_1^{exp})^2}{2\sigma_1^2} - \frac{(d_2^{th} - d_2^{exp})^2}{2\sigma_2^2}\right]$$

- MCMC

$$m_v^*/m = 0.79 \pm 0.06, E_{sym}(0.05 \text{ fm}^{-3}) = 16.4_{-0.9}^{+1.0} \text{ MeV, 90% CI}$$



Bayesian inference on isospin splitting of nucleon effective mass from giant resonances in $^{208}\text{Pb}^*$

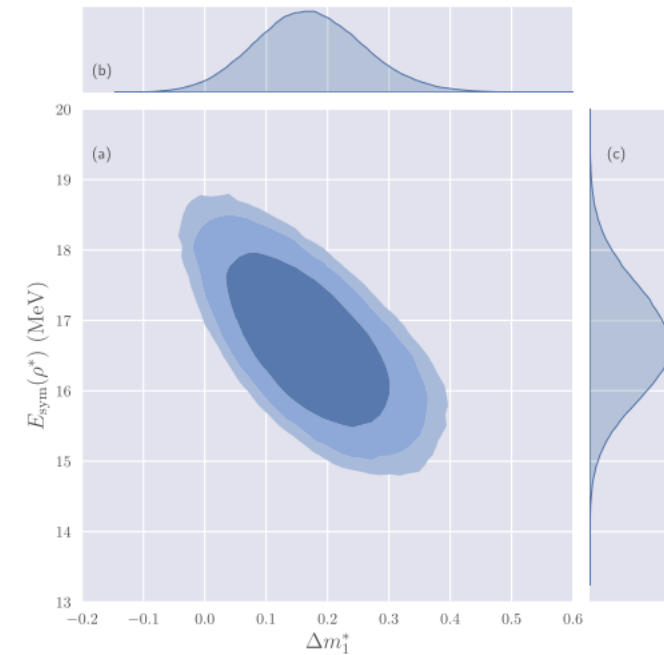
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- Data: 7 observables in Pb208.
- Uniform prior; exponential square likelihood.
- 2476 full model calculations as training data.
- PCA+GP+MCMC

$$m_v^*/m = 0.78_{-0.05}^{+0.06}, E_{sym}(0.05 \text{ fm}^{-3}) = 16.7 \pm 1.3 \text{ MeV, 90\% CI}$$

Table 2. Experimental values and uncertainties used for the binding energy E_B [53], charge radius r_C [54], breathing mode energy E_{GMR} [55], neutron $3p_{1/2} - 3p_{3/2}$ energy level splitting ϵ_{ls} [56], electric dipole polarizability α_D [49, 50], IVGDR constrained energy [51], and ISGQR peak energy [52] in ^{208}Pb .

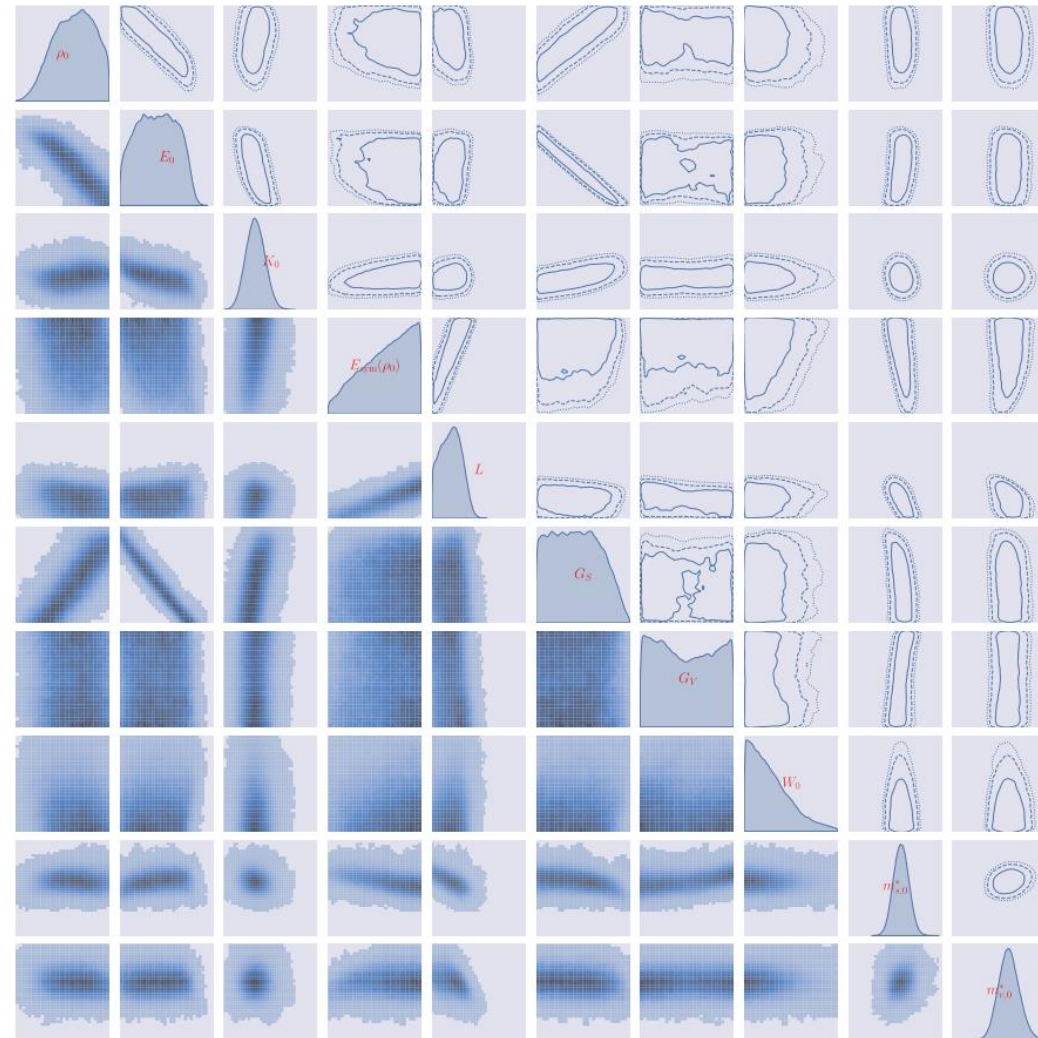
	value	σ
E_B/MeV	-1363.43	0.5
r_C/fm	5.5012	0.01
E_{GMR}/MeV	13.5	0.1
ϵ_{ls}/MeV	0.89	0.09
α_D/fm^3	19.6	0.6
E_{GDR}/MeV	13.46	0.1
E_{GQR}/MeV	10.9	0.1



- Correlation coefficients from 2476 training points.

- Univariate and bivariate marginal estimates of the posterior distribution

ρ_0	-0.054	0.052	0.146	0.166	-0.662	0.072	0.266
E_0	0.025	-0.009	-0.040	0.767	0.024	-0.123	-0.063
K_0	-0.063	0.062	0.089	0.174	-0.246	0.883	0.094
$E_{\text{sym}}(\rho_0)$	-0.291	0.253	-0.093	0.178	-0.024	-0.156	-0.101
L	0.889	-0.807	0.024	-0.233	-0.194	0.059	-0.189
G_S	0.180	-0.186	-0.199	0.463	0.568	-0.323	-0.236
G_V	0.072	-0.050	0.066	-0.025	-0.066	0.045	0.048
W_0	-0.019	0.019	0.094	-0.074	-0.168	0.067	0.719
$m_{s,0}^*$	0.127	-0.122	-0.923	0.254	0.262	-0.204	-0.542
$m_{v,0}^*$	-0.019	-0.474	0.118	-0.025	0.016	0.032	0.067
	α_D	E_{GDR}	E_{GQR}	E_B	r_C	E_{GMR}	ϵ_{ls}



K_0 from breathing mode energy

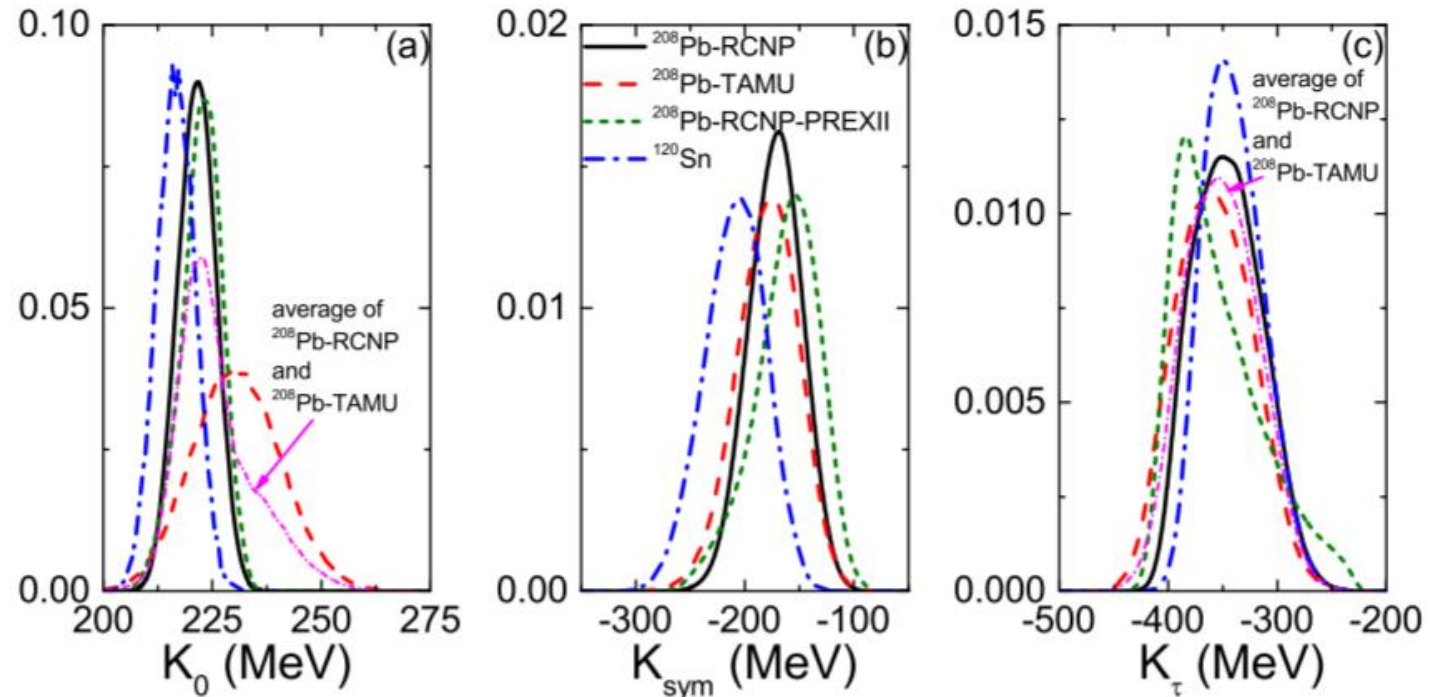
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Bayesian uncertainty quantification for nuclear matter incompressibility

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- Extract K_0 from breathing mode energy.
- **Soft Tin puzzle:** the ISGMR data always favor a smaller K_0 value for Sn isotopes than heavy nuclei.
- Maximum a posteriori (MAP) value from Sn120 is about 5 MeV less than that from Pb208.
- Significant overlaps in their posterior distribution.

Posterior distribution



Esym from heavy ion collisions

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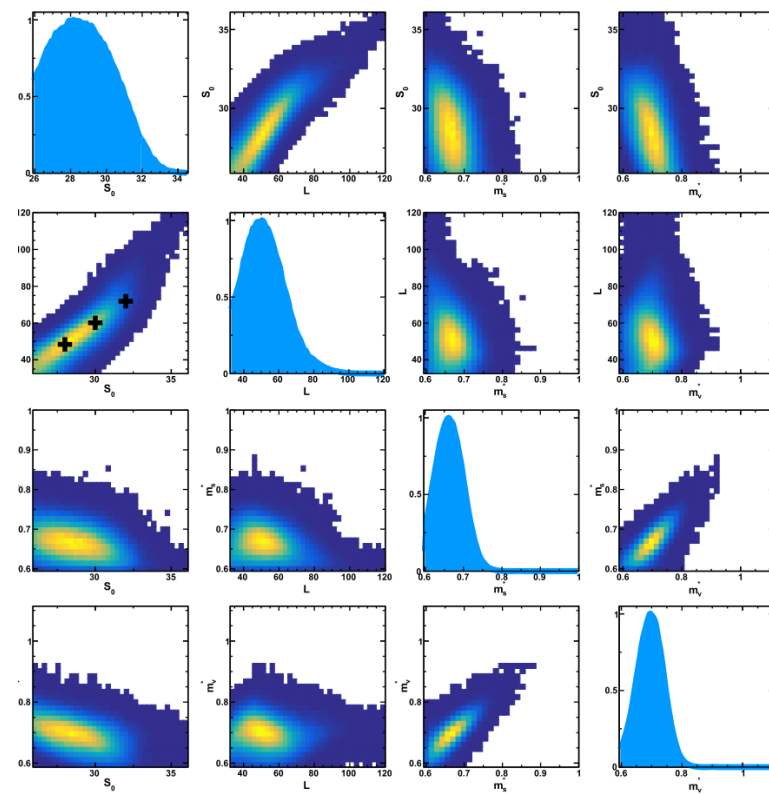
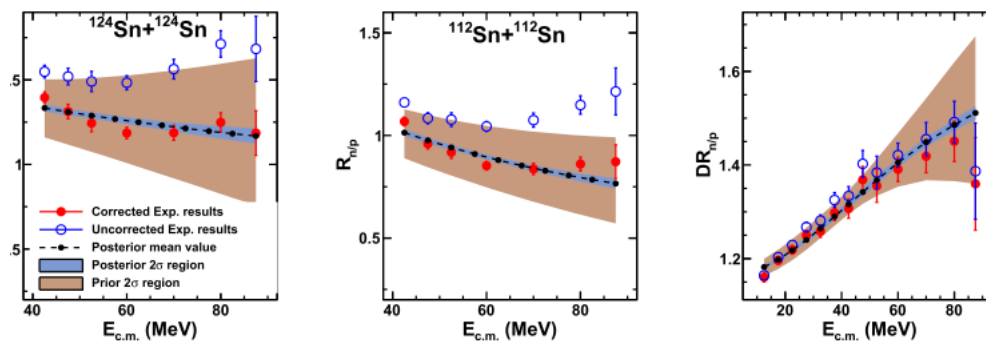
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Constraining the symmetry energy with heavy-ion collisions and Bayesian analyses

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- ImQMD transport model with Skyrme interaction.
- 4 parameters
- Observable: n/p single ratios and double spectra in central 112Sn + 112Sn and 124Sn + 124Sn collisions at 120 MeV/u.
- Uniform prior; exponential square likelihood.



EOS from neutron star properties

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Bayesian Inference of High-density Nuclear Symmetry Energy from Radii of Canonical Neutron Stars

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Model

$$\epsilon(\rho, \delta) = \rho[E(\rho, \delta) + M_N] + \epsilon_l(\rho, \delta),$$

$$E_0(\rho) = E_0(\rho_0) + \frac{K_0}{2} \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0} \right)^2 + \frac{J_0}{6} \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0} \right)^3,$$

$$E_{\text{sym}}(\rho) = E_{\text{sym}}(\rho_0) + L \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0} \right) + \frac{K_{\text{sym}}}{2} \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0} \right)^2 + \frac{J_{\text{sym}}}{6} \left(\frac{\rho - \rho_0}{3\rho_0} \right)^3.$$

Data

Table 1
The Radius $R_{1.4}$ Data Used in This Work

Radius $R_{1.4}$ (km) (90% CFL)	Source	Reference
$11.9^{+1.4}_{-1.4}$	GW170817	Abbott et al. (2018)
$10.8^{+2.1}_{-1.6}$	GW170817	De et al. (2018)
$11.7^{+1.1}_{-1.1}$	QLMXBs	Lattimer & Steiner (2014)
$11.9 \pm 0.8, 10.8 \pm 0.8, 11.7 \pm 0.8$	Imaginary case 1	This work
11.9 ± 0.8	Imaginary case 2	This work

Prior

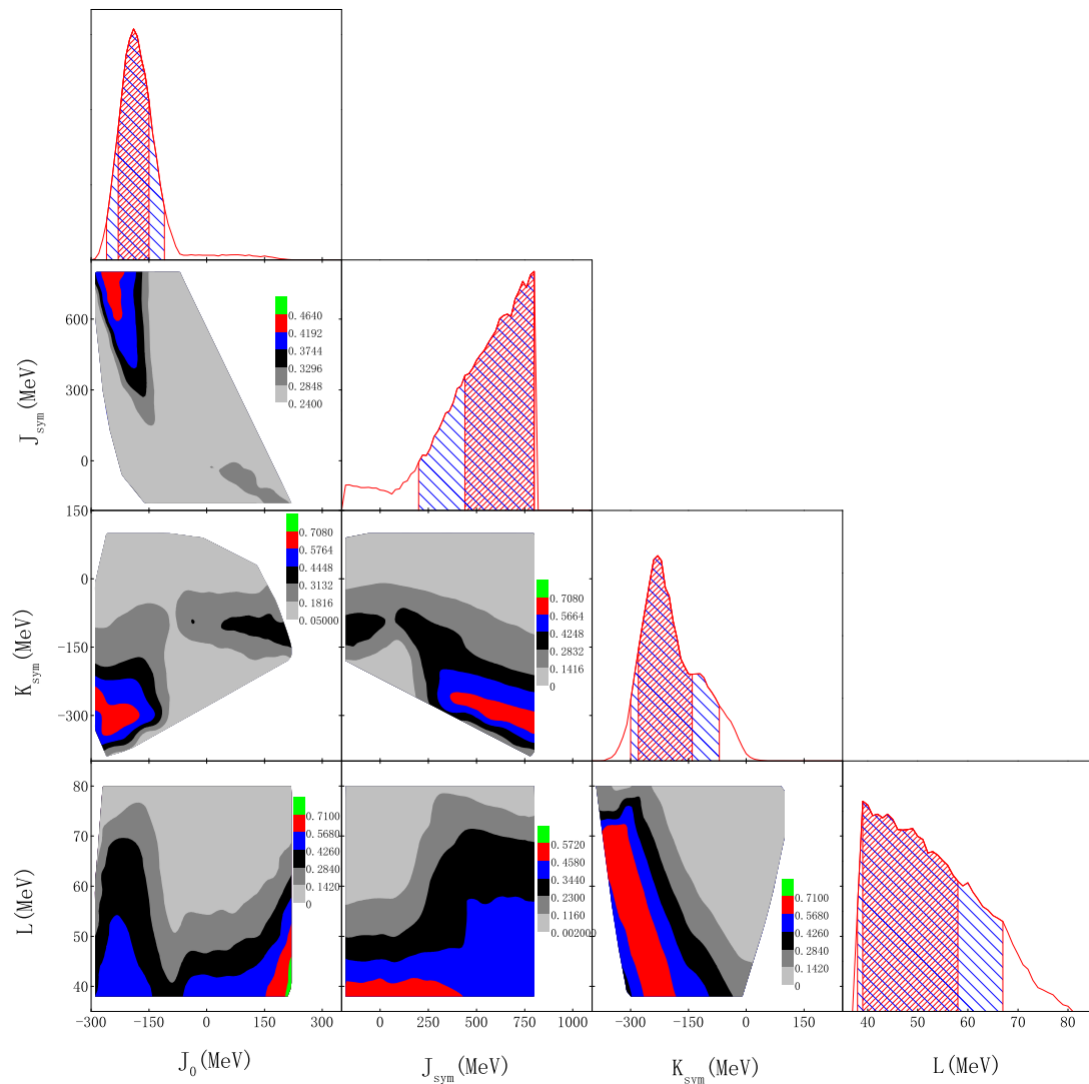
Prior Ranges of the Six EOS Parameters Used

Parameters	Lower Limit	Upper Limit (MeV)
K_0	220	260
J_0	-800	400
K_{sym}	-400	100
J_{sym}	-200	800
L	30	90
$E_{\text{sym}}(\rho_0)$	28.5	34.9

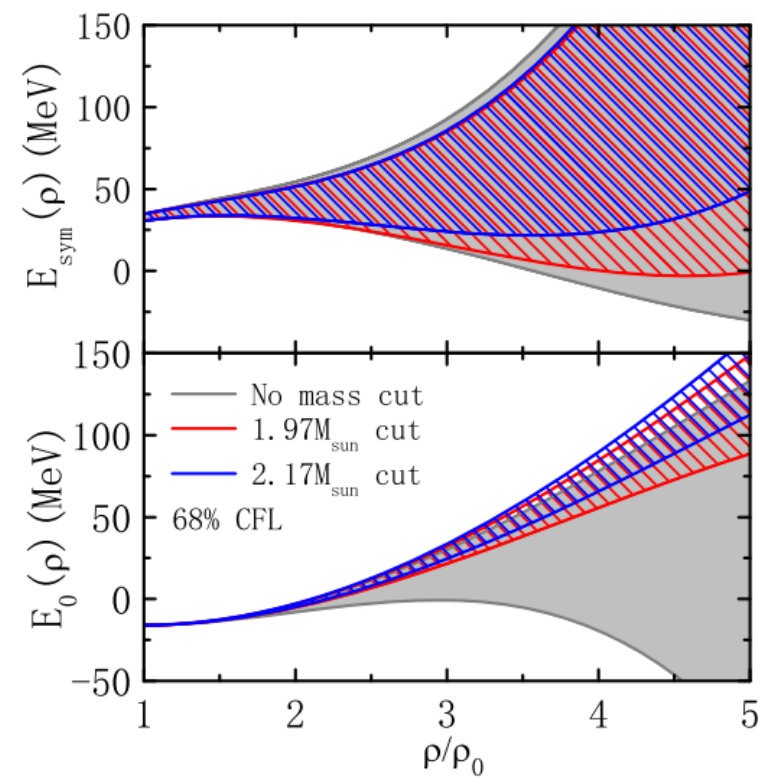


EOS from neutron star properties

Posterior distribution



Predictions



Bayesian inference on neutron star properties

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Neutron Star Tidal Deformabilities Constrained by Nuclear Theory and Experiment

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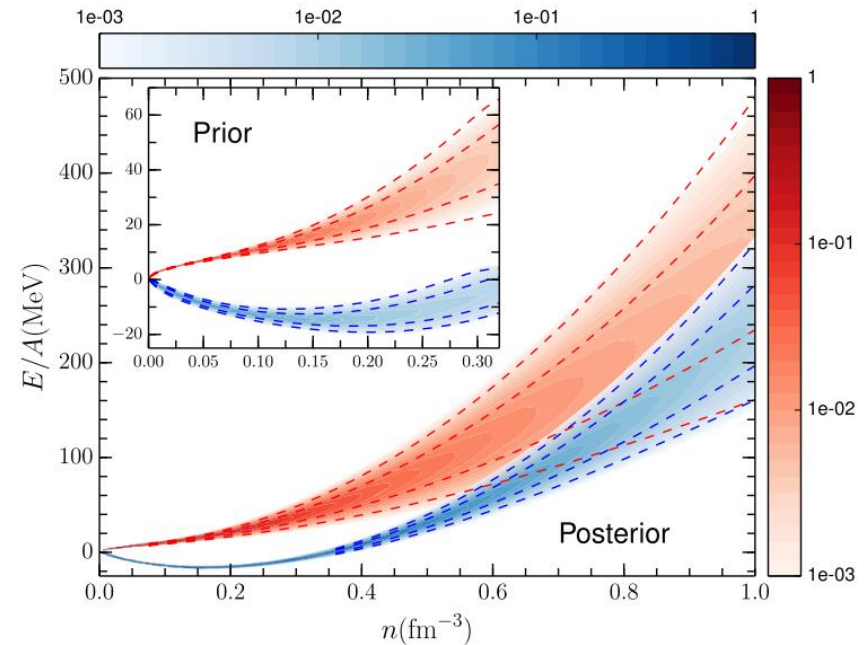
- **Model:**

$$\mathcal{E}(n, x) = \frac{1}{2m} \tau_n + \frac{1}{2m} \tau_p + (1 - 2x)^2 f_n(n) + [1 - (1 - 2x)^2] f_s(n).$$

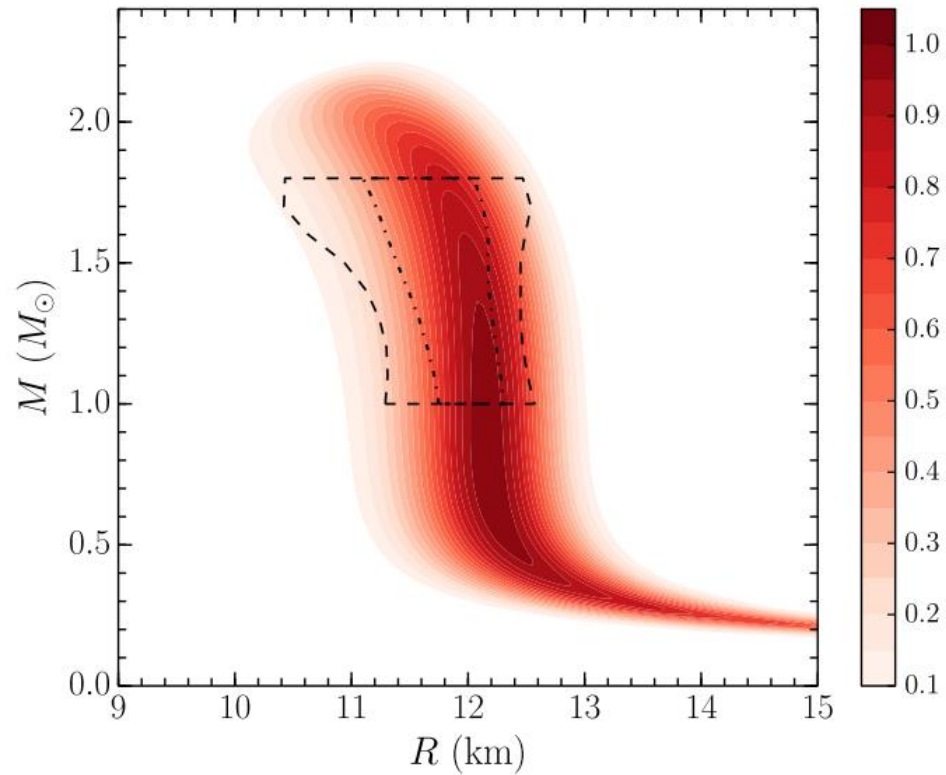
$$f_s(n) = \sum_{i=0}^3 a_i n^{(2+i/3)}$$

$$f_n(n) = \sum_{i=0}^3 b_i n^{(2+i/3)}$$

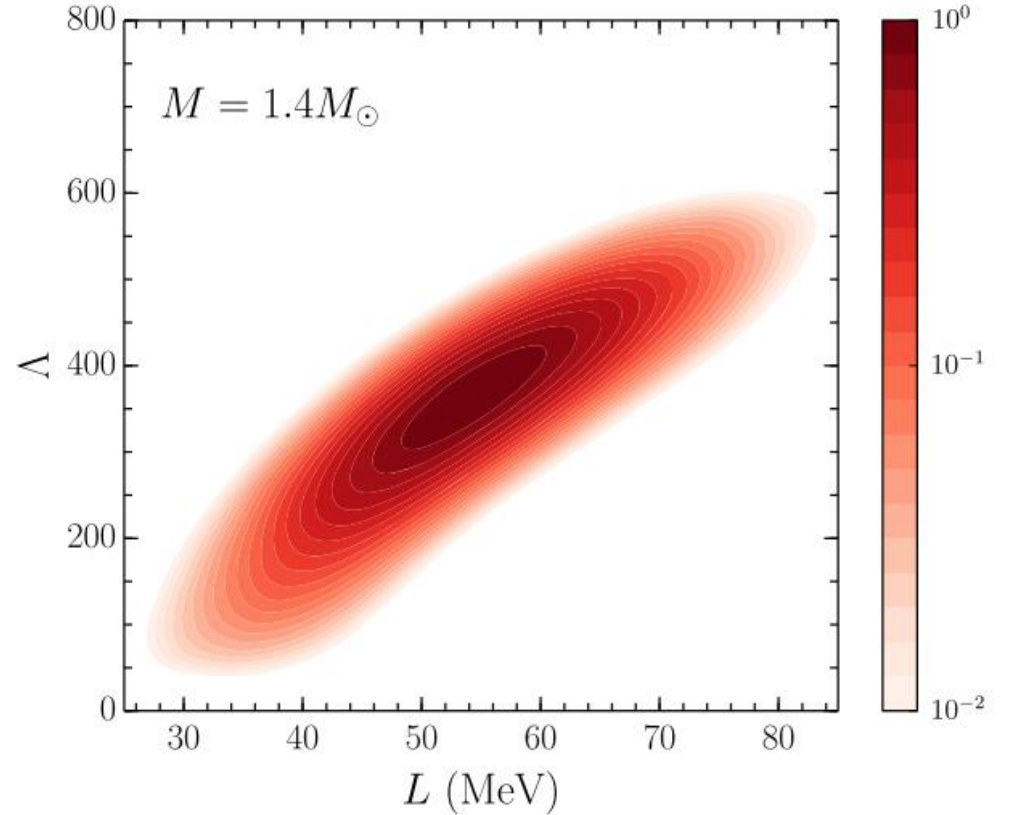
- Gaussian likelihood
- Fit empirical knowledge and ChEFT predictions



Bayesian inference on neutron star properties



- Posterior M-R distribution



- Posterior tidal deformability -L distribution

Summary

- Probabilistic view of model parameters and predictions
- Bayesian method is powerful in uncertainty quantification, correlation analysis
- Model everywhere, Bayesian everywhere.
- How about **model dependence**?



Bayesian model selection

- Bayesian evidence/marginal conditional

$$p(\mathcal{D} | \mathcal{M}_i) \equiv \int_{\Omega_M} p(\mathcal{D} | \theta, \mathcal{M}_i) p(\theta | \mathcal{M}_i) d\theta$$

- Posterior odds

$$\frac{p(\mathcal{M}_i | \mathcal{D})}{p(\mathcal{M}_j | \mathcal{D})} = \frac{p(\mathcal{D} | \mathcal{M}_i) p(\mathcal{M}_i)}{p(\mathcal{D} | \mathcal{M}_j) p(\mathcal{M}_j)}$$

A larger ratio means the model M_i is more likely to be true.



Bayesian model averaging

- Average model predications according to how likely each model is.
- The BMA posterior density

$$p(\mathcal{O} | \mathcal{D}) = \sum_{k=1}^K p(\mathcal{O} | \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{M}_k) P(\mathcal{M}_k | \mathcal{D})$$

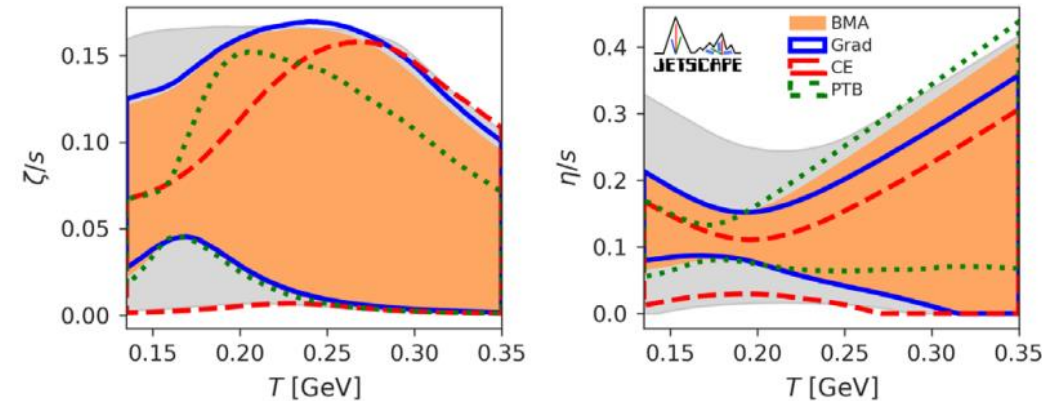
- Posterior model weights

$$P(\mathcal{M}_k | \mathcal{D}) = \frac{p(\mathcal{D} | \mathcal{M}_k) p(\mathcal{M}_k)}{\sum_{\ell=1}^K p(\mathcal{D} | \mathcal{M}_\ell) p(\mathcal{M}_\ell)}$$

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