

COST CM1404 Training School on the analysis, uncertainty quantification, validation, optimization and reduction of detailed combustion mechanisms for practical use of smart energy carriers

Lecture 1-3

Uncertainty of data and parameters



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Rate coefficient uncertainties

Uncertainty factor f_j as defined in data evaluations

(Tsang, Warnatz, Baulch, Konnov):

uncertainty factor u_j

$$u_j = \frac{k_j^0}{k_j^{\min}} = \frac{k_j^{\max}}{k_j^0}$$

uncertainty parameter f_j

$$f_j = \log_{10}(u_j)$$

k_j^0 recommended value of the rate coefficient of reaction j

k_j^{\min} possible minimal value of k_j

k_j^{\max} possible maximal value of k_j

$\Rightarrow [k_j^{\min}, k_j^{\max}]$ is the physically realistic range for the rate coefficients

assume that $\ln k^{\min}$ and $\ln k^{\max}$ deviate 3σ from $\ln k^0$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma^2(\ln k_j) = ((f_j \ln 10)/3)^2$$

1 σ uncertainty limit (assuming that u corresponds to 3σ): $l = 10^{f/3}$

Uncertainty of k at a given temperature

Uncertainty of (direct) rate coefficient measurements:

very high quality data	uncertainty factor $u= 1.26 \Leftrightarrow f=0.1 \Leftrightarrow \pm 8 \% (1\sigma)$
typical good data	uncertainty factor $u= 2.00 \Leftrightarrow f=0.3 \Leftrightarrow \pm 26 \% (1\sigma)$
typical data	uncertainty factor $u= 3.16 \Leftrightarrow f=0.5 \Leftrightarrow \pm 47 \% (1\sigma)$

(high level) theoretical determinations:

TST/master equation calculations

best systems	uncertainty factor $u= 2.00 \Leftrightarrow f=0.3 \Leftrightarrow \pm 26 \% (1\sigma)$
multi well, main channels	uncertainty factor $u= 3.16 \Leftrightarrow f=0.5 \Leftrightarrow \pm 47 \% (1\sigma)$
multi well, minor channels	uncertainty factor $u=10.00 \Leftrightarrow f=1.0$

C. F. Goldsmith, A. S. Tomlin, S. J. Klippenstein: Uncertainty propagation in the derivation of phenomenological rate coefficients from theory: A case study of n-propyl radical oxidation
Proc. Combust. Inst., **34**, 177-185 (2013)

J. Prager, H. N. Najm, J. Zádor: Uncertainty quantification in the *ab initio* rate-coefficient calculation for the $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_3 + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{C}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ reaction, *Proc. Combust. Inst.*, **34**, 583-590 (2013)

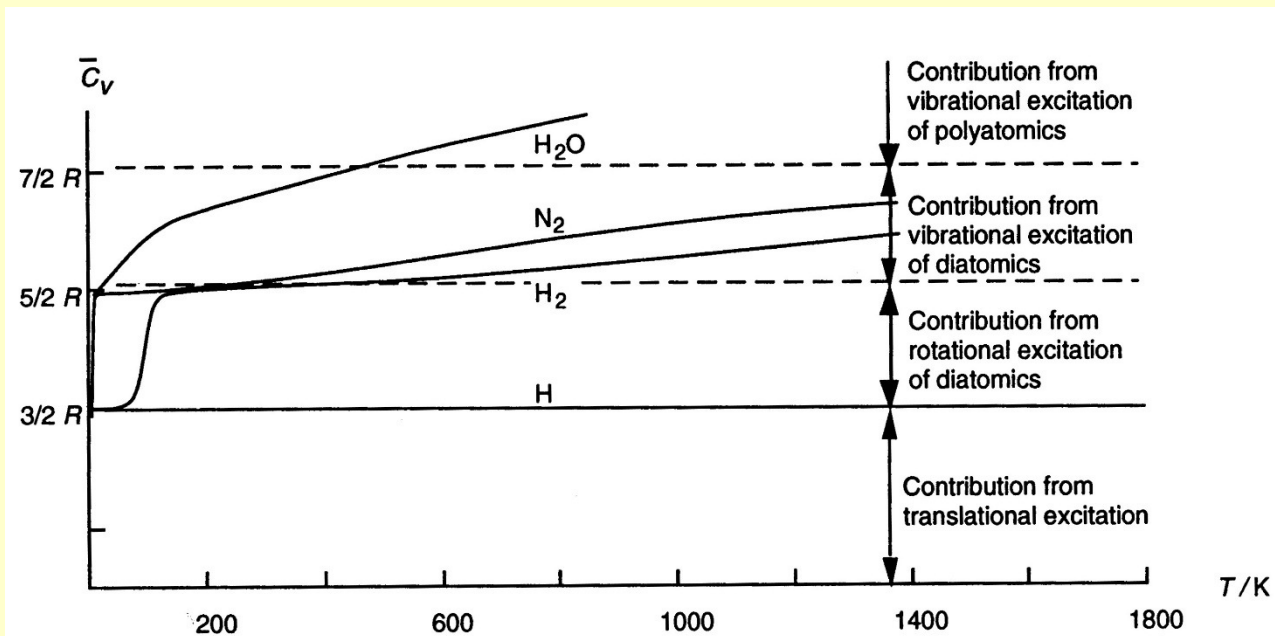
Temperature dependence of thermodynamic data

NASA polynomials

$$\frac{H^\theta}{RT} = a_1 + \frac{a_2}{2}T + \frac{a_3}{3}T^2 + \frac{a_4}{4}T^3 + \frac{a_5}{5}T^4 + \frac{a_6}{T}$$

$$\frac{c_p}{R} = a_1 + a_2T + a_3T^2 + a_4T^3 + a_5T^4$$

$$\frac{S^\theta}{R} = a_1 \ln T + a_2T + \frac{a_3}{2}T^2 + \frac{a_4}{3}T^3 + \frac{a_5}{4}T^4 + a_7$$



Uncertainty of thermodynamic data

thermodynamic data influence the reaction kinetic calculations in two ways:

- Calculated temperature
- Calculation of the rate coefficients of backward reaction steps

Thermodynamic data used:

- heat capacity (can be calculated using statistical thermodynamics)
- entropy (can be calculated using statistical thermodynamics)
- standard enthalpy of formation (measurement or high level calculation)



- The databases contain the recommended values and variances
- Are the enthalpies of formation correlated?

Uncertainty of thermodynamic data

c_p and ΔS can be calculated from the IR spectrum
using methods of statistical thermodynamics

ΔH_f - can be computed

(for small molecules only; not so easy)

- can be determined experimentally by

- measuring the equilibrium constant of a reaction
→ reaction enthalpy → enthalpy of formation
- measuring ionization energy by mass spectrometry

Uncertainty of thermodynamic data 2

Typical uncertainty of ΔH_f (1σ):

molecules and small radicals: 0.1-0.5 kJ/mole

e.g. CO= 0.17 kJ/mole, CH₄= 0.4 kJ/mole, CH₃=0.4 kJ/mole

large radicals: 1.0 – 5.0 kJ/mole

e.g. HO₂= 3.35 kJ/mole, CH₂OH= 4.2 kJ/mole

less known radicals: 8-10 kJ/mole

e.g. HCCO= 8.8 kJ/mole, CH₂HCO= 9.2 kJ/mole

Determination of the enthalpies of formation

Methods for the determination of enthalpies of formation ΔH_f :

1) direct experimental determination:

calorimetry; synthesis from reference state elements



2) direct experimental determination from MS ionization energies

applicable for few compounds only; not very accurate

3) direct theoretical calculation

high level *ab initio* method required: accurate for small molecules only

4) generally applicable method:

indirectly from experimentally measured reaction enthalpies $\Delta_r H^\ominus$

determination of ΔH_f after a chain of calculations

Determination of the enthalpies of formation 2

„4) determination of ΔH_f after a chain of calculations”

- starting from directly determined ΔH_f values

$$\Delta_r H^\theta = \sum_j \nu_j H_f^\theta(j)$$

a) combining it with a $\Delta_r H^\theta$ value provides a new ΔH_f^θ value

⇒ indirectly determined ΔH_f^θ

b) GO TO a) until we get the required ΔH_f^θ

⇒ the chain of calculation provides the required ΔH_f^θ

PROBLEMS:

- Going on in the chain of calculations, the errors are accumulated

ΔH_f^θ values at the end of a long chain are not very accurate.

- ΔH_f^θ values for the same species can be obtained at the ends of two different calculation chains ⇒ different ΔH_f^θ values are obtained ?????

Active Thermochemical Tables (ATcT)

Idea of Branko Ruscic

<http://atct.anl.gov/>

the determination of many enthalpies of formation ΔH_f^\ominus in one step:

using n direct experimental determination: $H_f^\ominus(j) = A_j \quad j = 1, \dots, n$

using m measured $\Delta_r H^\ominus$ values: $\Delta_r H_i^\ominus = \sum_j \nu_{ij} H_f^\ominus(j) \quad j = n+1, \dots, n+m$

The aim is the determination of k values of ΔH_f^\ominus :

- if $k > n+m \Rightarrow$ not enough info
- if $k < n+m \Rightarrow$ overdetermined linear algebraic system of equations
 \Rightarrow determination of the ΔH_f^\ominus values by the least squares method

If the errors of the measurements are also taken into account

\Rightarrow **weighted least squares method**

B. Ruscic, R. E. Pinzon, M. L. Morton, G. von Laszewski, S. J. Bittner, S. G. Nijssure, K. A. Amin, M. Minkoff, A. F. Wagner: Introduction to Active Thermochemical Tables: Several „key“ enthalpies of formation revisited. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **108**, 9979-9997 (2004)

Active Thermochemical Tables (ATcT) 2

NOTES:

The reason of the name: the original idea was that the tables would be „active”: on a Web site adding new measurement data all enthalpies of formation would be recalculated.

It never worked this way: Dr. Ruscic is continuously adding new measurements and sometimes publishes $\Delta_f H^\theta$ values.

Please observe the **similarity** and **difference** between ATcT and the optimization of kinetic reaction mechanisms:

- using both direct and indirect measurements
- the error of measurements is used for the calculation of the uncertainty of parameters
- **ATcT**: the simulated data are a linear functions of the parameters
- **kinetics**: the simulated data are obtained by solving ODEs or PDEs (strongly nonlinear functions of parameters)

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Using thermodynamic data in combustion simulations

ΔH_f \Rightarrow calculation of heat production in a reacting mixture
 \rightarrow calculation of temperature changes
 \Rightarrow calculation of $\Delta_r G^0$

c_p \Rightarrow calculation of temperature changes

ΔS \Rightarrow calculation of $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$
 \rightarrow calculation of the equilibrium constant
 \rightarrow calculation of the rate coefficient of reverse reactions

Uncertainty of thermodynamic data

Question: Reaction enthalpy is changed by 1 kJ mole⁻¹
What is the consequence on the calculated equilibrium constant?

Answer: $\Delta_r H$ is changed by 1 kJ mol⁻¹
 $\Delta_r S$ is assumed to be accurate \Rightarrow
 $\Delta_r G = \Delta_r H - T \Delta_r S \Rightarrow \Delta_r G$ is also changed by 1 kJ mole⁻¹
 $-\Delta_r G = RT \ln K$
 $-\Delta_r G - (-\Delta_r G') = 1 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} = RT \ln K - RT \ln K' = RT \ln (K/K')$

$$1000 \text{ J mole}^{-1} = 8.3145 \text{ J mole}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1} \times 2000 \text{ K} \ln (K/K')$$
$$K/K' = 1.062$$

1 kJ mole⁻¹ change in $\Delta_r H \Rightarrow 6.2\%$ change of K

Prior and posterior uncertainties of chemical kinetic data

direct and indirect measurements
uncertainty of the rate coefficients
mechanism optimisation
posterior uncertainties

Direct and indirect measurements

Direct measurements:

- determination of the rate coefficient of a single elementary reaction at a given temperature, pressure, and bath gas
- the rate coefficient values are published

Theoretical (direct) determinations:

- TST/master equation calculations
- the rate coefficients are published at given T , p
- parameterised T , p dependence of rate coefficient k

Indirect measurements:

- a property of the whole combustion system is measured
- interpretation is based on a detailed mechanism
- e.g. laminar flame velocities, ignition delays, concentration profiles

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I. Sedyó, P. T. Kiss, A. Zempléni, H. J. Curran:

Determination of rate parameters based on both direct and indirect measurements

Int.J.Chem.Kinet., **44**, 284–302 (2012)

Direct and indirect measurements 2

direct measurement:

determination of the rate coefficient of a single elementary reaction at a given temperature, pressure, and bath gas

the rate coefficients are published

very high quality data uncertainty (3σ) factor of 1.3 ($f=0,1$)
 $\pm 10\%$ (1σ)

typical data uncertainty (3σ) factor of 3.0 ($f=0,5$) $\pm 44\%$ (1σ)

(high level) theoretical determinations:

TST/master equation calculations

typical uncertainty (3σ): factor of 3 ($f=0.5$) (main channels)
factor of 10 ($f=1.0$) (minor channels)

see: Goldsmith *et al.* *PCI*, 2013; Prager *et al.*, *PCI*, 2013

indirect measurements:

simulation with a detailed mechanism is needed for the interpretation

ignition delay times: good 1σ uncertainty: 10%

flame velocities: good 1σ uncertainty: 1 cm/s (hydrocarbon flames)

Uncertainty of reaction rate parameters

Reaction rate parameters:

Arrhenius parameters A , n , E ,

3rd body collision efficiencies,

(parameters of pressure dependence: Lindemann and Troe parameters)

(enthalpies of formation)

prior uncertainty of reaction rate parameters:

uncertainty of reaction rate parameters, deduced from

available direct measurement data and theoretical calculations

posterior uncertainty of reaction rate parameters:

uncertainty of reaction rate parameters, deduced from fitting to

direct measurement data + theoretical calculations results +

indirect measurement data

Determination of the *prior*
uncertainty of the reaction rate parameters

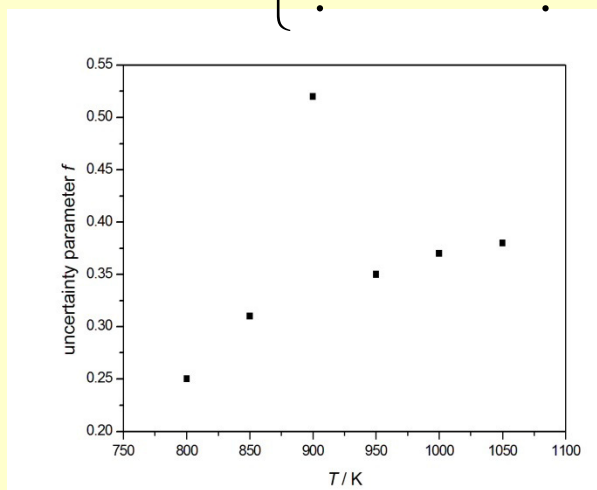
Getting good prior uncertainties

Uncertainty parameter f is either constant (Tsang, Warnatz, Konnov)
or defined in temperature regions (Baulch *et al.* evaluations):

$$f(T) = \begin{cases} f_1 & \text{if } T \in (T_1, T_2) \\ f_2 & \text{if } T = T_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{cases}$$

f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots corresponds to the actual scatter of measurements in this temperature region.

We will call them f_{original} values.

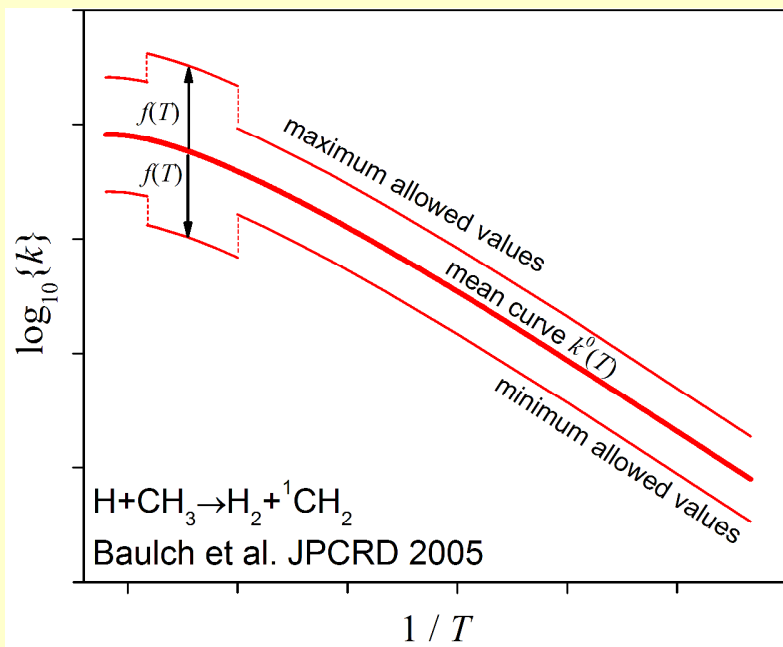


The temperature dependence of the rate coefficients imposes a relation among the uncertainty parameter f values at different temperatures.

The f_{original} values are not in accordance with the temperature dependence of the rate coefficient k

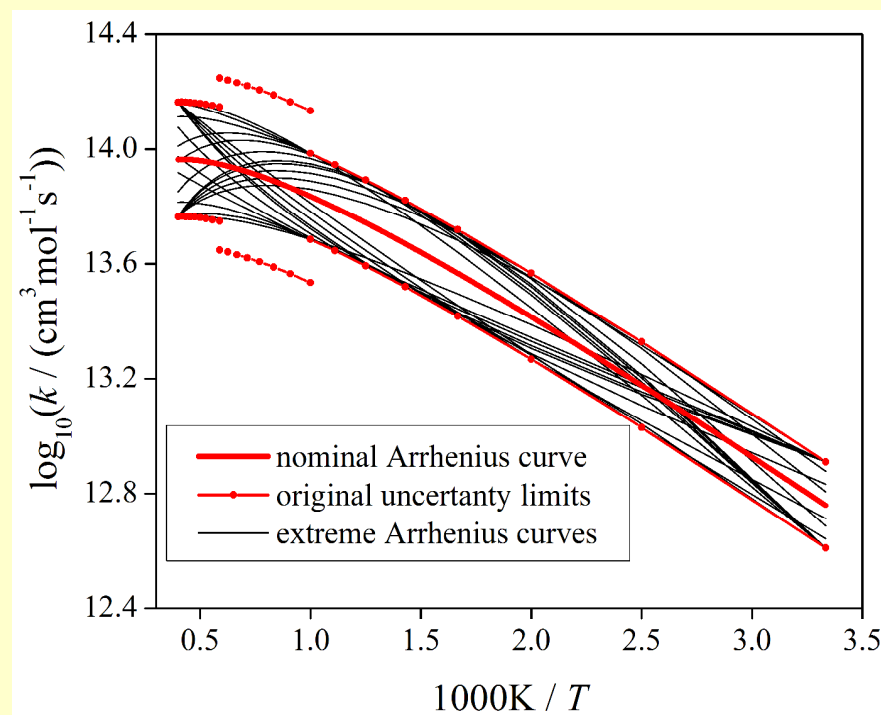
Getting good prior uncertainties f

Example from the
Baulch *et al.* (2005) evaluation:



Solution:

Drawing the possible extreme Arrhenius curves span the realistic uncertainty limits of the rate coefficient k :



The corrected f values are called f_{extreme}

Domain of uncertainty of Arrhenius parameters

The $f_{\text{extreme}}(T)$ values define the uncertainty domain of the rate coefficient k in interval $[T_1, T_2]$ with the temperature dependence of the rate coefficient k

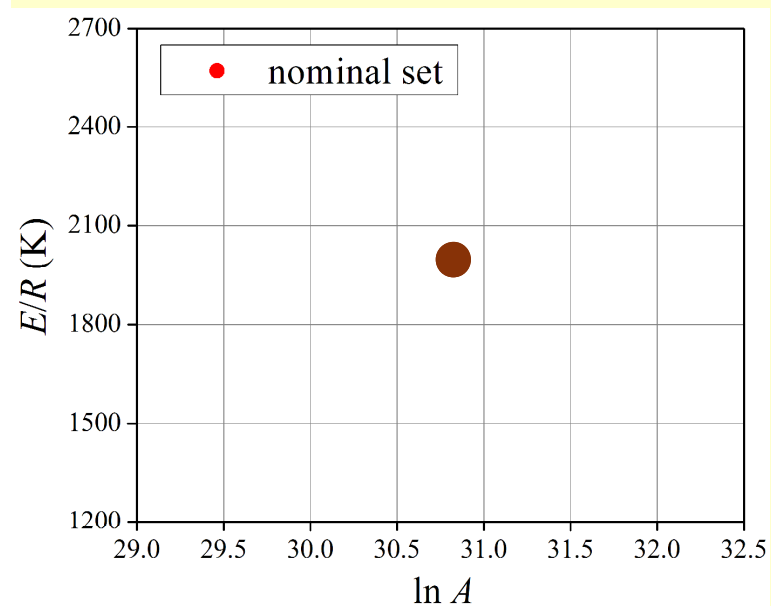
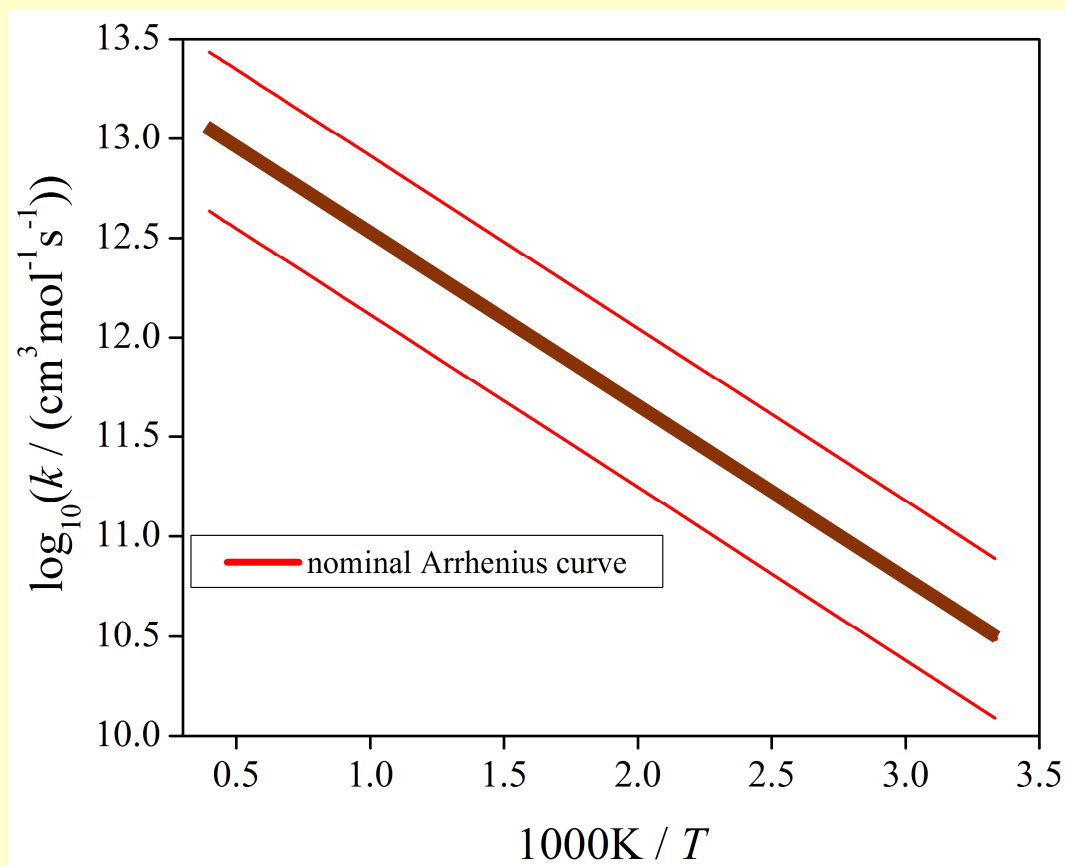
The evaluations provide the uncertainty of k , but the real parameters of the model are Arrhenius parameters A, n, E

Better to deal with the transformed Arrhenius parameters $\ln A, n, E/R$

Statement: the extreme Arrhenius curves span the domain of uncertainty of the Arrhenius parameters.

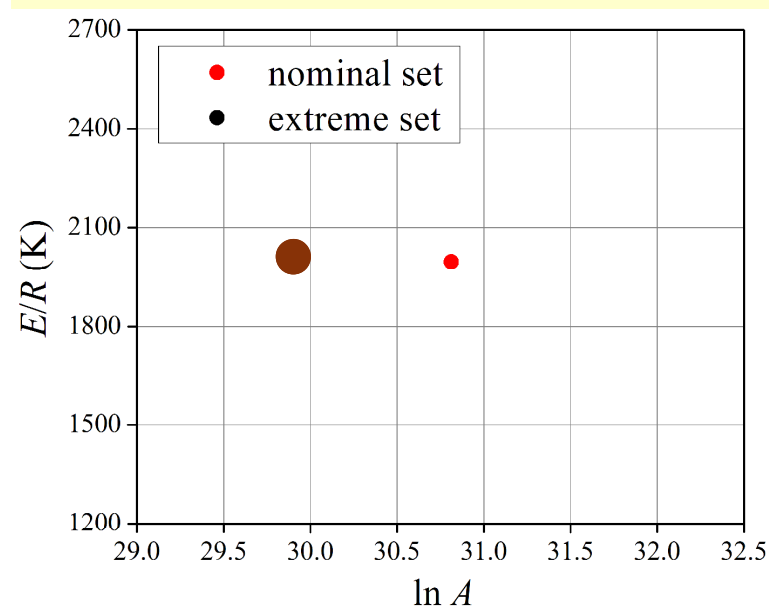
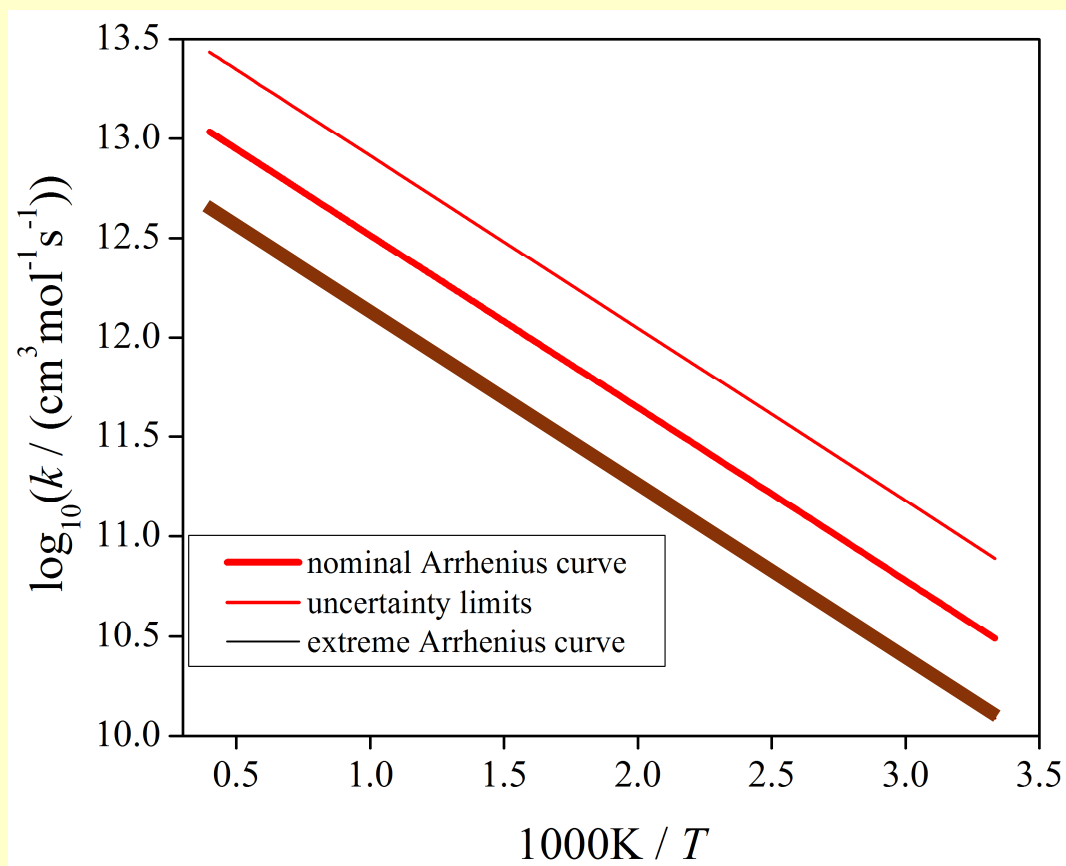
Domain of uncertainty of Arrhenius parameters

The simplest case: temperature independent uncertainty of k
two Arrhenius parameters $\ln A$, E/R



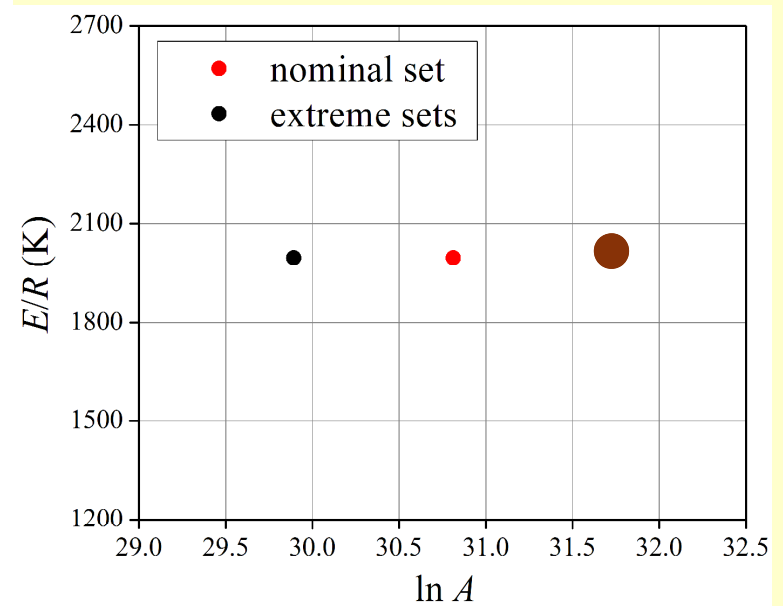
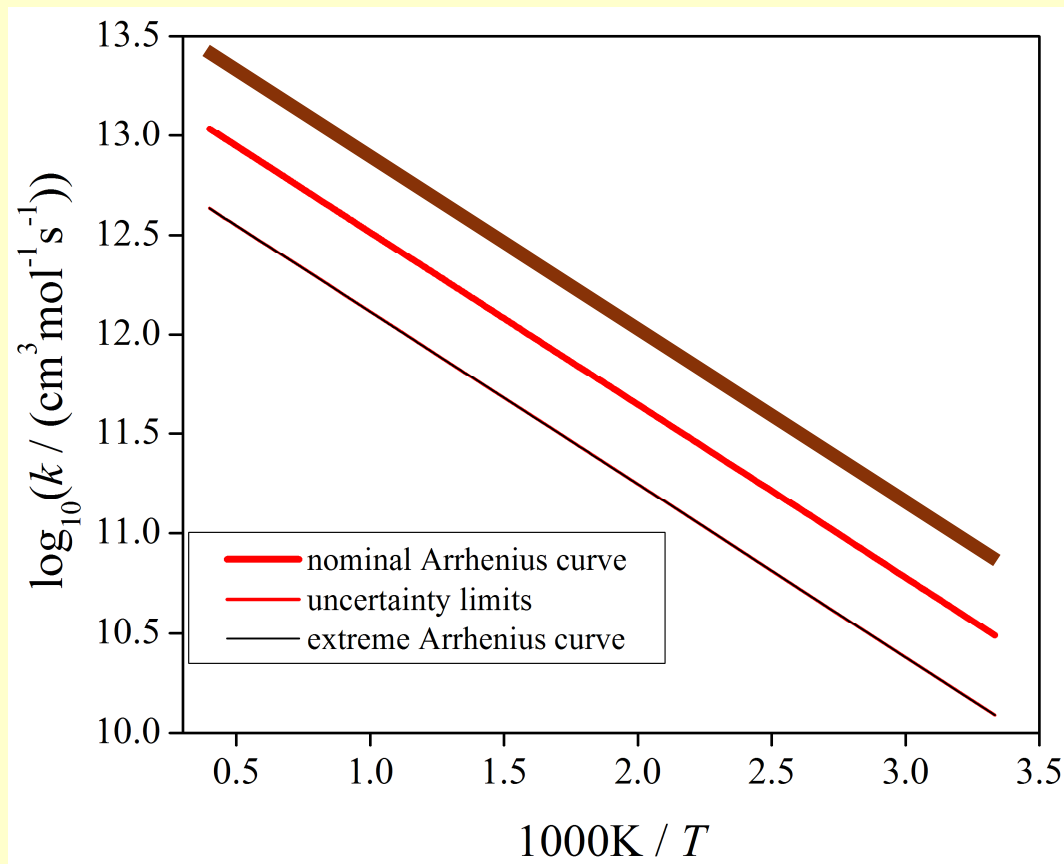
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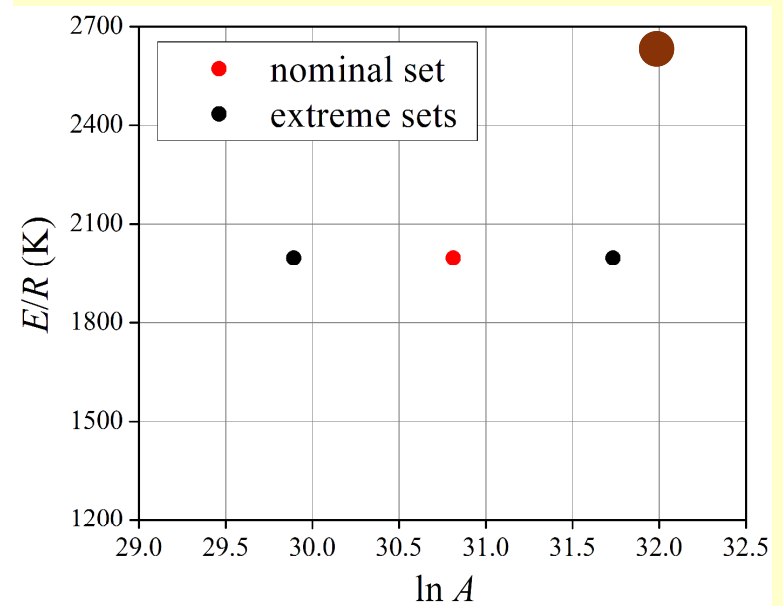
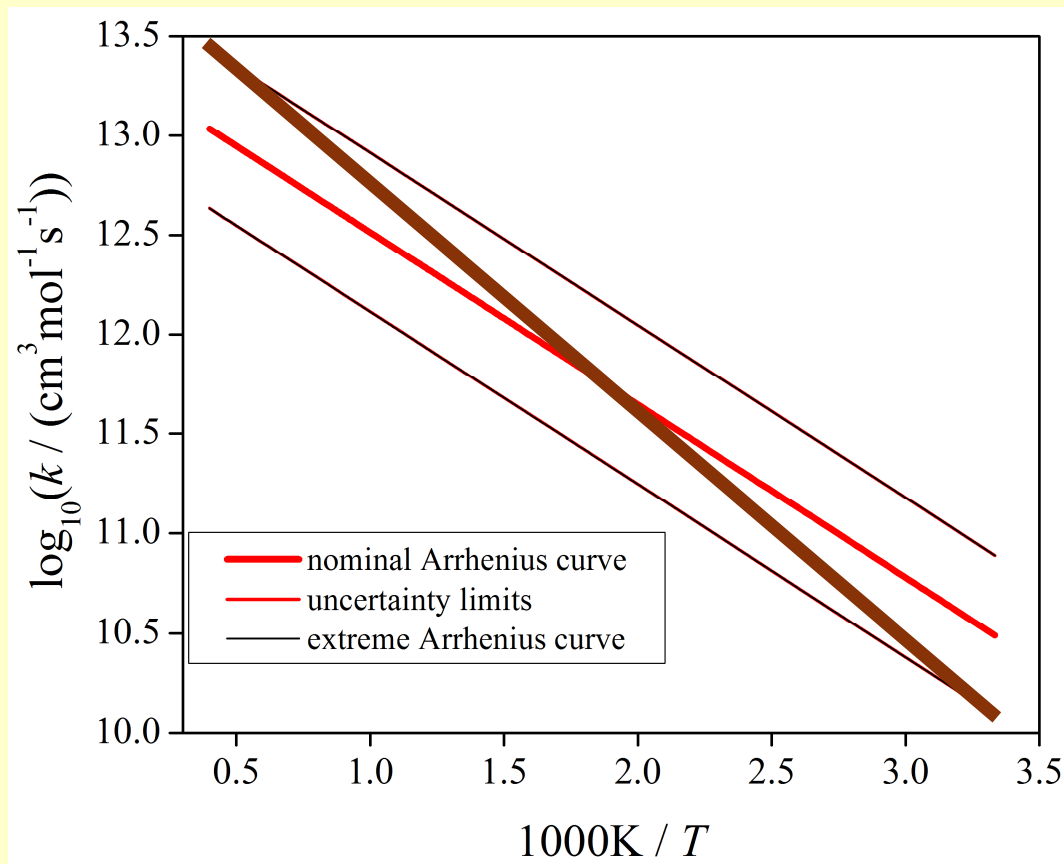
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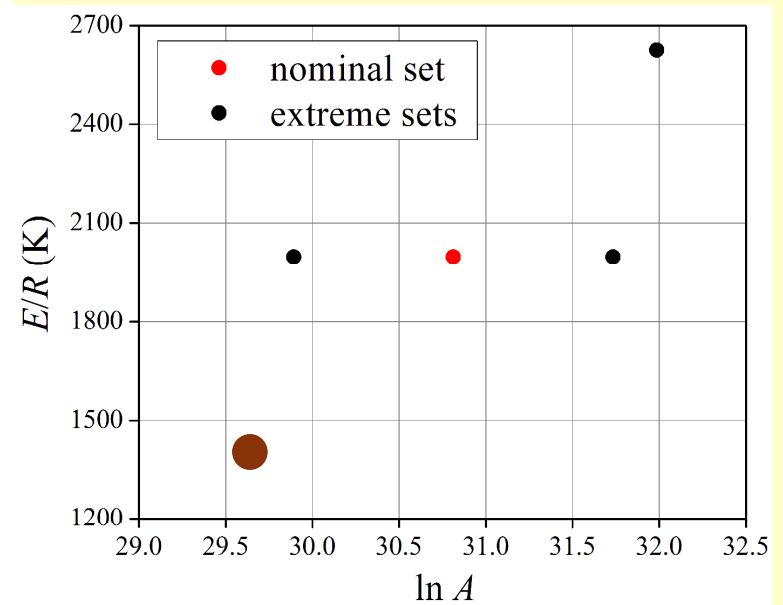
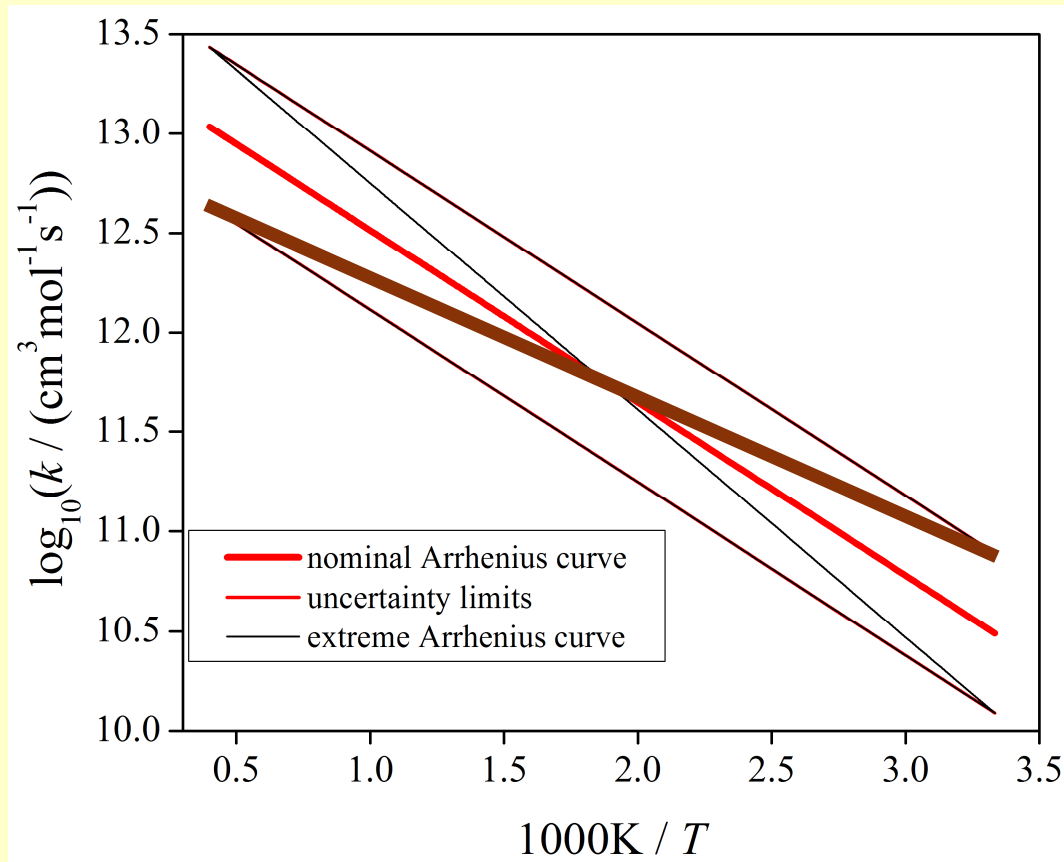
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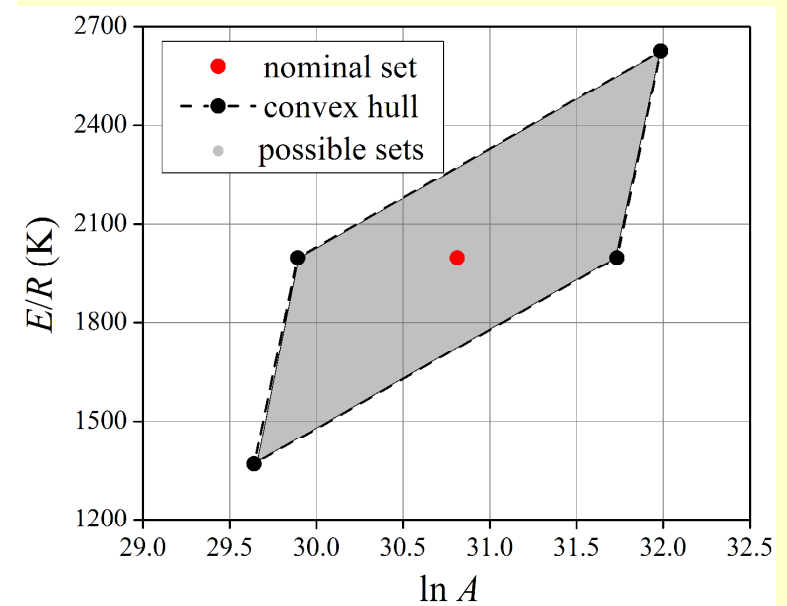
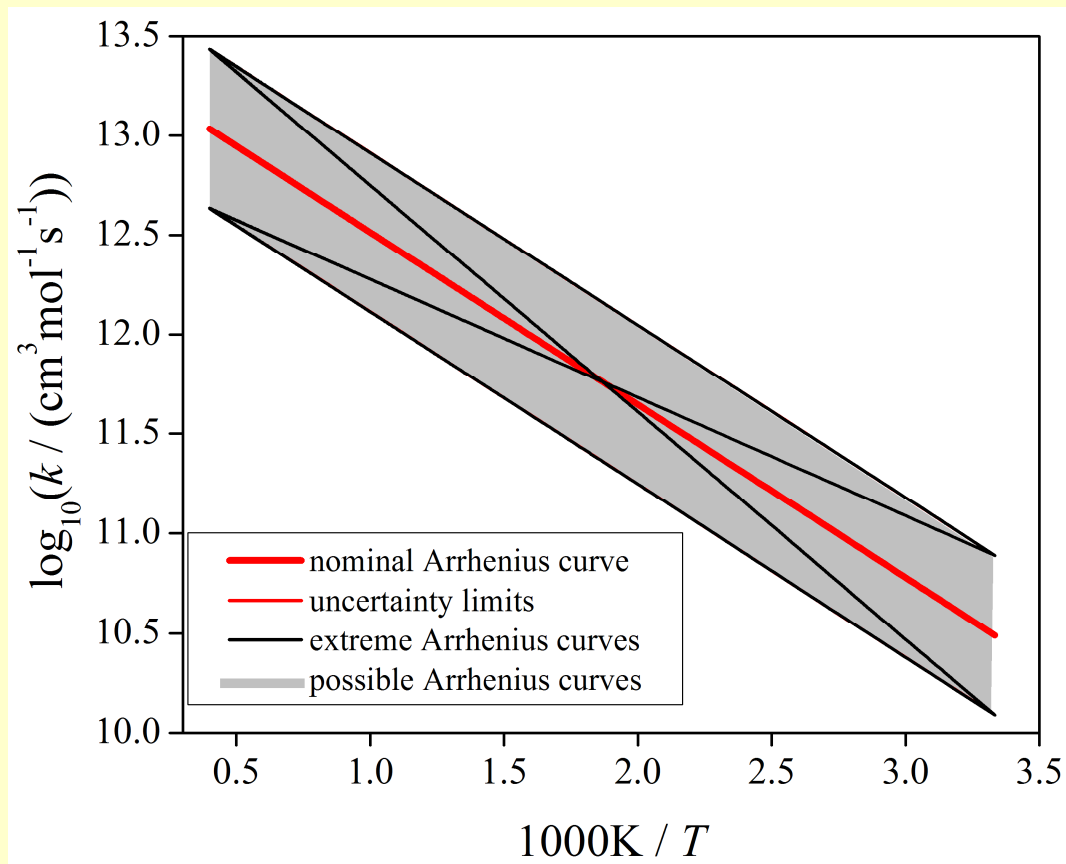
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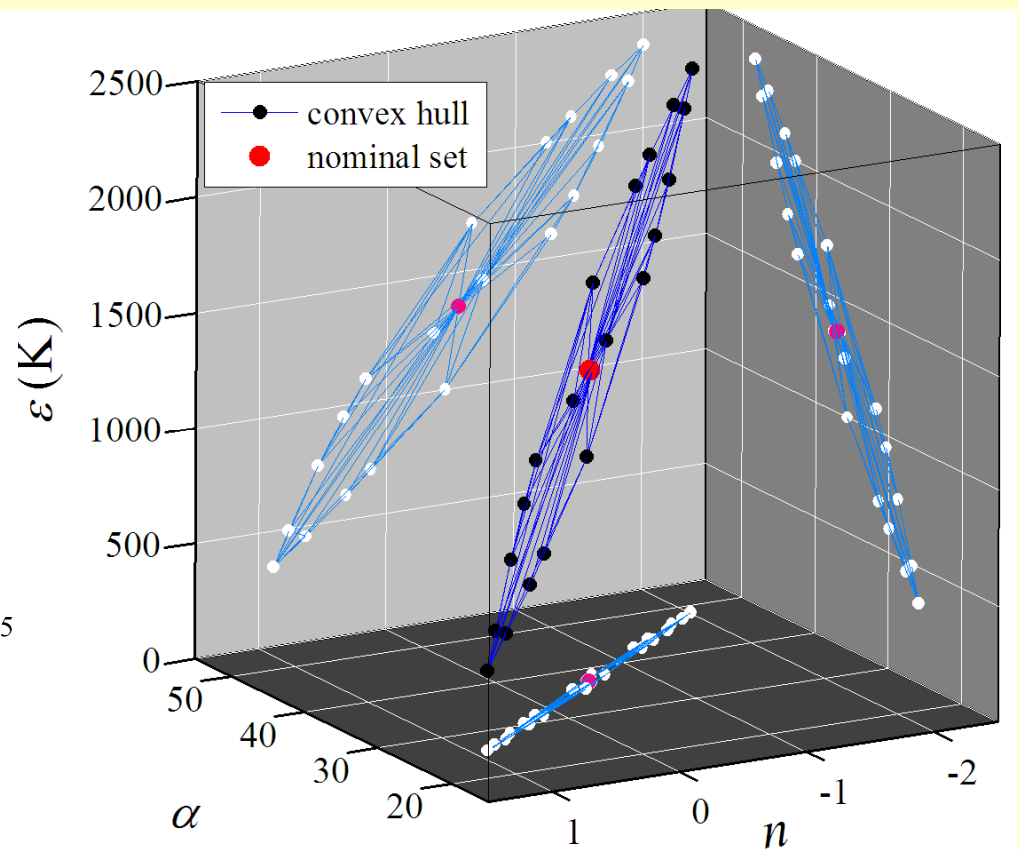
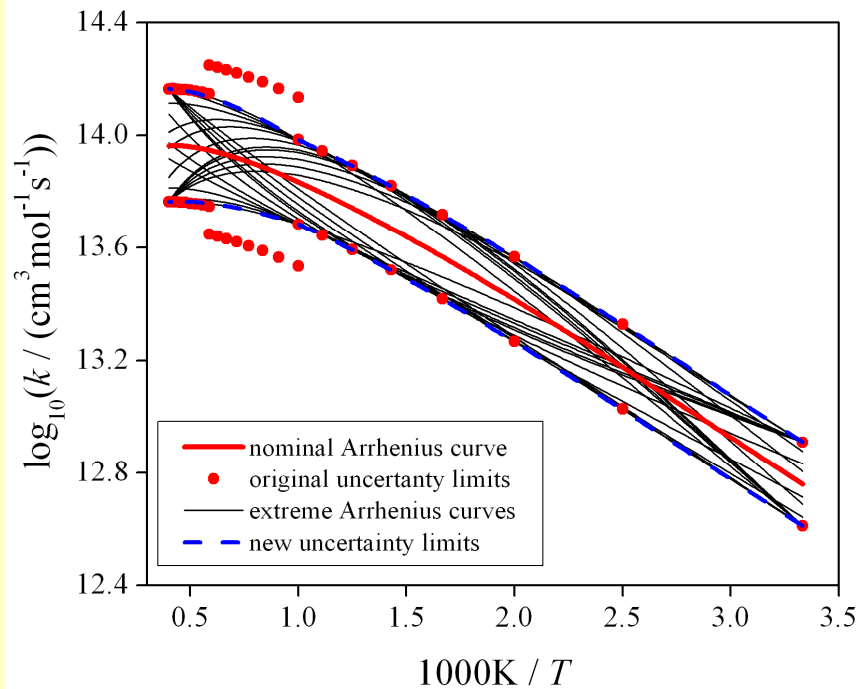


3D domain of Arrhenius parameters

The most complex case: temperature dependent uncertainty of k

three Arrhenius parameters $\alpha = \ln A$, n , $\varepsilon = E/R$

the extreme Arrhenius curves = vertices of the convex hull



Uncertainty parameter f

Definition of uncertainty factor f :

$$f(T) = \log_{10} \left(k^0(T) / k^{\min}(T) \right) = \log_{10} \left(k^{\max}(T) / k^0(T) \right)$$

Calculation of the variance of $\ln k$ from uncertainty factor f :

(assuming 3σ deviation between $\log_{10} k^0$ and $\log_{10} k^{\max}$)

$$\sigma(\ln k) = \frac{\ln 10}{3} f$$

Instead of temperature dependent $\sigma(\ln k)$

the covariance matrix of the Arrhenius parameters is needed!

extended Arrhenius expression:

$$k(T) = AT^n \exp(-E/RT)$$

linearized form:

$$\underbrace{\ln\{k(T)\}}_{\kappa(\theta)} = \underbrace{\ln\{A\}}_{\alpha} + \underbrace{n}_{n} \cdot \underbrace{\ln\{T\}}_{\theta} - \underbrace{\{E/R\}}_{\varepsilon} \cdot \underbrace{\{T\}^{-1}}_{\theta}$$

Relation between the σ of the rate coefficient and the covariance matrix of the Arrhenius parameters

Matrix-vector form of the linearized Arrhenius equation:

$$\kappa(\theta) = \mathbf{p}^T \boldsymbol{\theta}$$

$$\mathbf{p}^T := [\alpha \quad n \quad \varepsilon]$$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^T := [1 \quad \ln \theta \quad -\theta^{-1}]$$

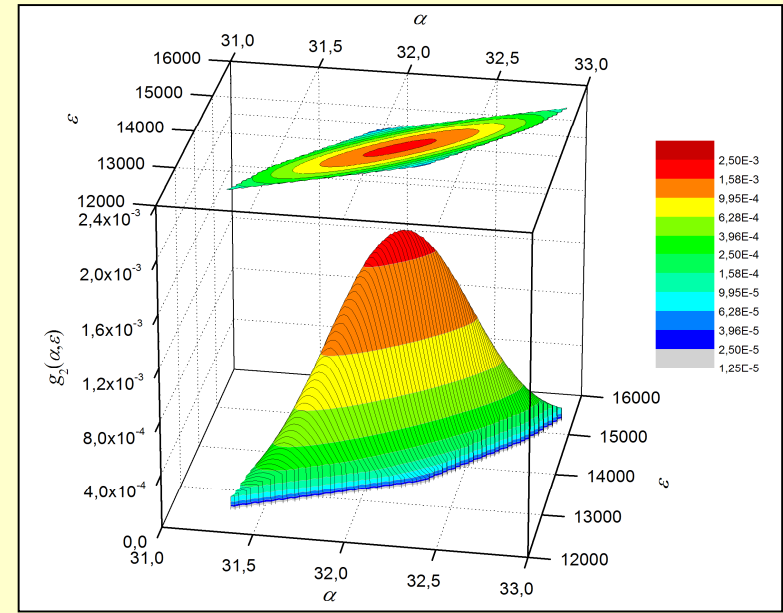
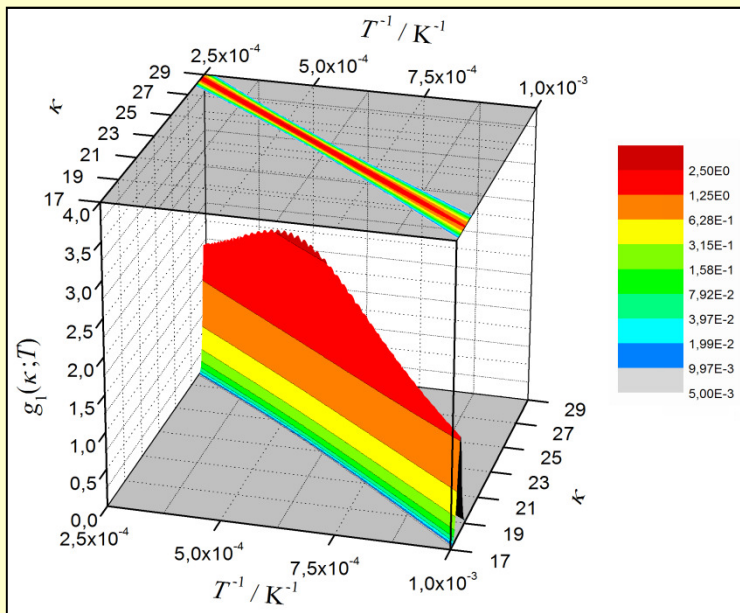
The covariance matrix of the Arrhenius parameters and its relation to the uncertainty of the rate coefficient:

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{p}} = \overline{(\mathbf{p} - \bar{\mathbf{p}})(\mathbf{p} - \bar{\mathbf{p}})^T} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{\alpha}^2 & r_{\alpha n} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_n & r_{\alpha \varepsilon} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\varepsilon} \\ r_{\alpha n} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_n & \sigma_n^2 & r_{n \varepsilon} \sigma_n \sigma_{\varepsilon} \\ r_{\alpha \varepsilon} \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_{\varepsilon} & r_{n \varepsilon} \sigma_n \sigma_{\varepsilon} & \sigma_{\varepsilon}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_{\kappa}(\theta) = \sqrt{\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \Sigma_{\mathbf{p}} \boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

\Rightarrow the temperature dependent standard deviation of k can be calculated from a quadratic form.

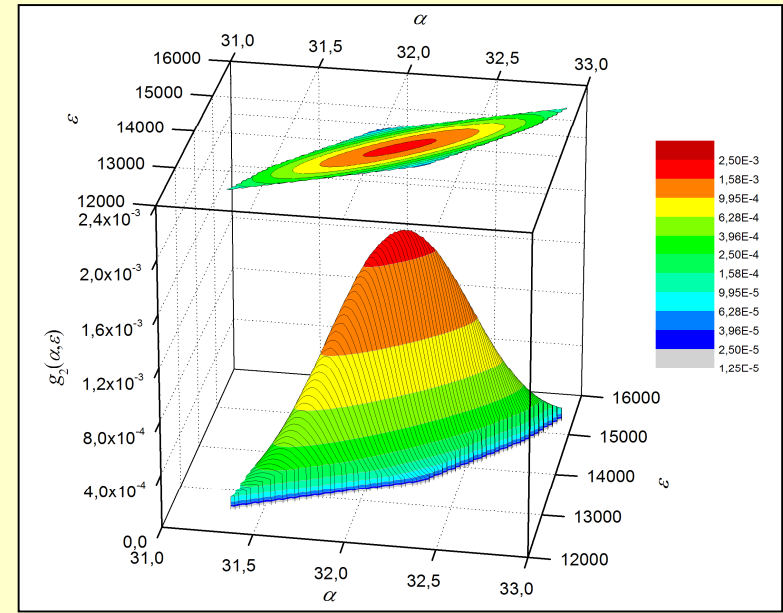
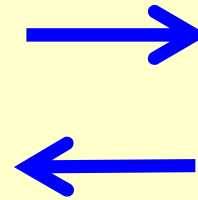
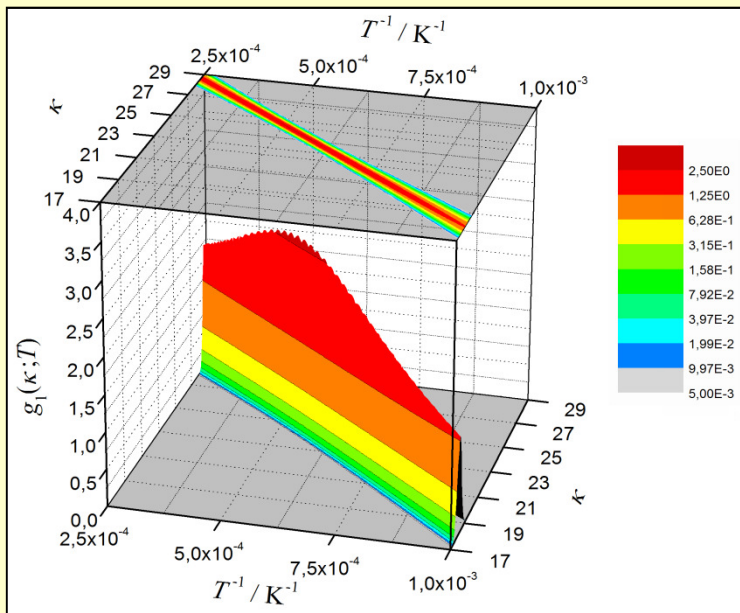
Example: reaction $\text{O} + \text{N}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{NO} + \text{NO}$



**Temperature dependent
1D normal
probability density function (*pdf*)
of the rate coefficient
(1000 K – 4000 K)**

**Temperature independent
multivariate joint normal
probability density function (*pdf*)
of the Arrhenius parameters**

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Calculation of the covariance matrix of the Arrhenius parameters

$$\sigma_k(\theta) = \sqrt{\theta^T \Sigma_p \theta}$$

For the 3-parameter Arrhenius equation:

$$\sigma_k(\theta) = \sqrt{\sigma_\alpha^2 + \sigma_n^2 \ln^2 \theta + \sigma_\varepsilon^2 \theta^{-2} + 2r_{\alpha n} \sigma_\alpha \sigma_n \ln \theta - 2r_{\alpha \varepsilon} \sigma_\alpha \sigma_\varepsilon \theta^{-1} - 2r_{n \varepsilon} \sigma_n \sigma_\varepsilon \ln \theta \cdot \theta^{-1}}$$

variance of $\ln k$ is known
at least at 6 temperatures
(at least in 6 points)



calculation of a continuous
 $f(T)$ function



definition of the domain of
allowed A , n , E values



elements of the
covariance matrix
of Arrhenius parameters

$$\sigma_\alpha, \sigma_n, \sigma_\varepsilon, r_{\alpha \varepsilon}, r_{n \alpha}, r_{n \varepsilon}$$

Features of the uncertainty parameter f

Baulch et al. (2005):

temperature independent f (constant $f(T)$ function) about 50%

OR

a verbally defined $f(T)$ function about 50%

" $f = 0.1$ at 800 K raising to 0.2 at 2000 K "

Other sources:

NIST Chemical Kinetics Database, Tsang, Warnatz, Konnov
temperature independent f values.

Good features:

- f factors are available for several hundred reactions
- f factors are very realistic (to our experience)

Bad features:

- derivation of the f parameter is not documented
- temperature dependence is missing or not well defined
= cannot be used for the calculation of the uncertainty
of the Arrhenius parameters

⇒ Reassessment of the uncertainty parameters is needed!

Reassessment of the $f(T)$ functions is needed!

We have written a MATLAB + Fortran code called *u-Limits* for the semiautomatic calculation of the $f(T)$ functions.

Major steps for a given elementary reaction:

- 1 collection of all direct measurements and theoretical calculations
source: NIST Chemical Kinetics Database + recent reviews
- 2 forward direction: selected (direction with more data)
backward direction: converted to forward direction Arrhenius parameters
- 3 preparation of a datafile: each line one measurement/calculation
squib + temperature range + Arrhenius parameters
- 4 selection of a mean line ($\ln k - 1/T$)
in the middle of uncertainty band: almost always Baulch *et al.*, 2005
- 5 MATLAB code: interactive elimination of outliers
- 6 automatic calculation of „empirical” f points at several temperatures
fitting the elements of the covariance matrix to these points (Fortran code)
plotting the experimental/theoretical results + the recalculated $f(T)$

Example: reaction $\text{H} + \text{O}_2 + \text{M} = \text{HO}_2 + \text{M}$

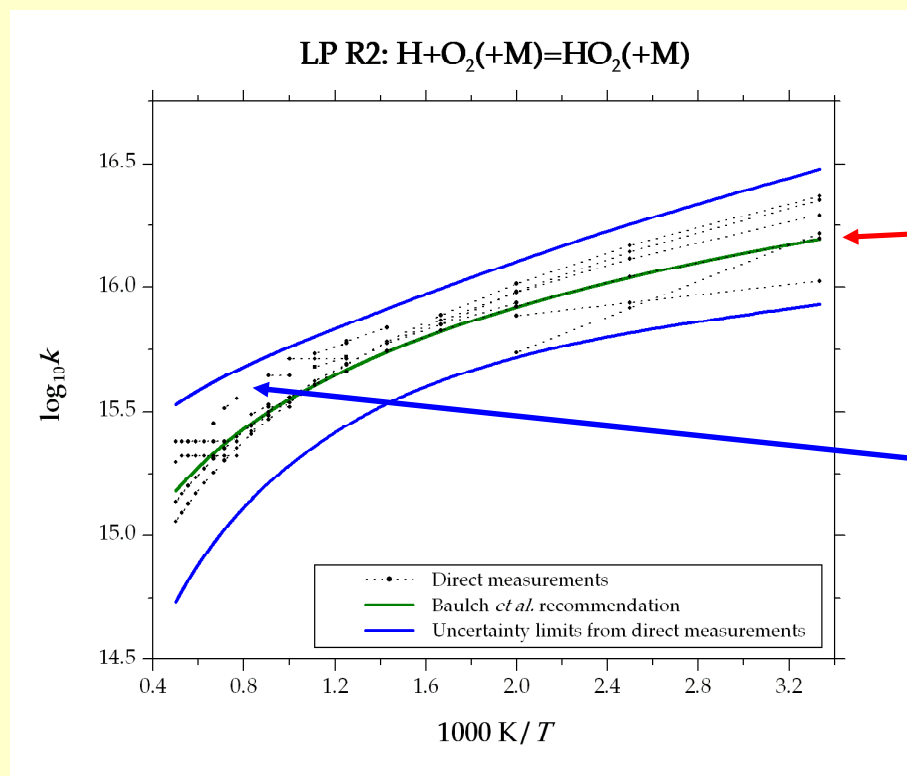
We found about 60 experimental/theoretical rate expressions.

After the selection remained:

Ar bath gas: 9 experimentally determined and
1 theoretically calculated rate coefficient expressions

N_2 bath gas: 10 experimentally determined and
2 theoretically calculated rate coefficient expressions

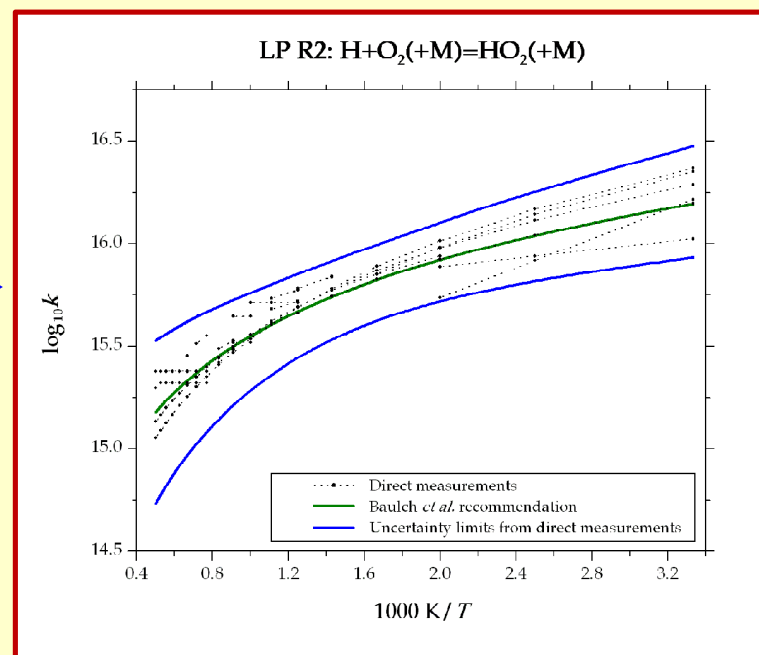
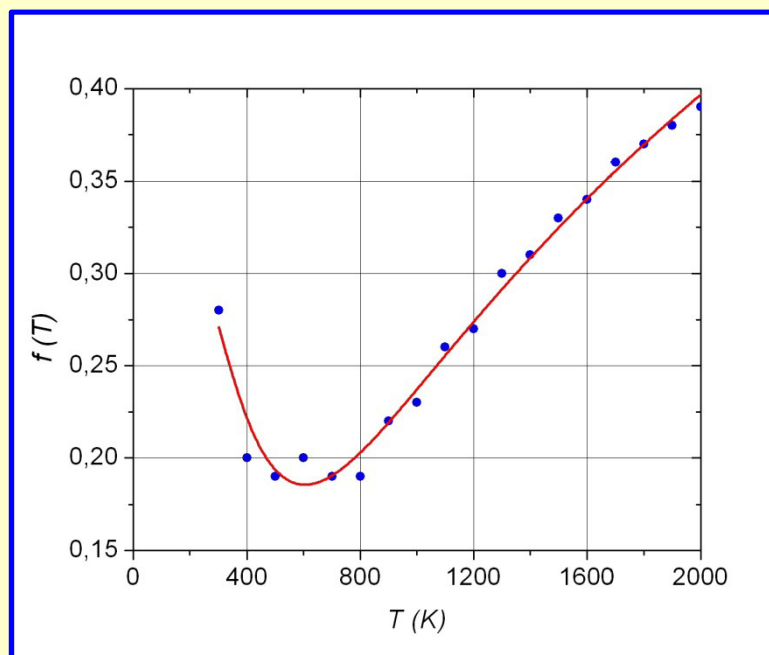
used together assuming $m=0.5$ (relative collision efficiency Ar to N_2)



mean line:
Baulch *et al.*, 2005

rate expressions from
experiments and theory

Example: reaction $\text{H} + \text{O}_2 + \text{M} = \text{HO}_2 + \text{M}$



blue dots:

distance from the extreme
experimental/theoretical values
(„empirical f points”)

red line:

calculated from the fitted
elements of the covariance matrix
 \Rightarrow *a priori* $f(T)$ function

blue line:

a priori
temperature dependent
 k^{\min} and k^{\max} bounds
calculated from the
covariance matrix
of Arrhenius parameters

Encoding the *pdf* of the Arrhenius parameters

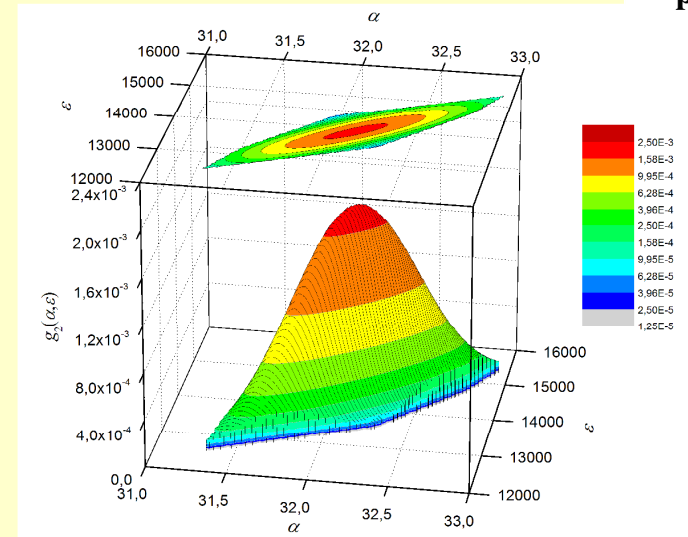
- Case A:**
- only the limits of the uncertainty domain are known
 - **multivariate uniform distribution** is assumed
 - the limits of $\ln k$ are stored

- Case B:**
- many direct measurements
 - **multivariate normal distribution** is assumed
 - limits of $\ln k \Rightarrow$ limits of Arrhenius parameters $\mathbf{p}^T := [\alpha \quad n \quad \varepsilon]$ are stored by the parameters of the covariance matrix Σ_p

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^T := [1 \quad \ln T \quad -T^{-1}]$$

$$\sigma_k(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sqrt{\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \Sigma_p \boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

T. Nagy, T. Turányi
 Uncertainty of Arrhenius parameters
Int. J. Chem. Kinet., **43**, 359–378(2011)



Semi-automatic determination of prior uncertainty

Program *u-Limits*

input: text file containing all direct measurements + TST/ME calculations related to the selected elementary reaction

output: prior uncertainty of Arrhenius parameters:
pdf of Arrhenius parameters stored in Σ_p
calculation of $f_{\text{prior}}(T)$ from Σ_p

Programs called by *u-Limits*:

UBAC (uncertainty band of Arrhenius curves): $f_{\text{original}} \rightarrow f_{\text{extreme}}$

JPDAP (joint probability density of Arrhenius parameters): $f_{\text{extreme}} \rightarrow \Sigma_p$

Revision of the *a priori* uncertainty of 20 elementary reactions

hydrogen combustion

ignition measurements

in shock tubes 786 data points /54 datasets

in RCMs 166 data points /9 datasets

flame velocity 631 data points /71 datasets

PSR data 152 data points /9 datasets

wet CO combustion

ignition measurements

in shock tubes 532 data points /50 datasets

in RCMs 444 data points /46 datasets

flame velocity 1711 data points /175 datasets

PSR data 54 data points /9 datasets

local sensitivity analysis:

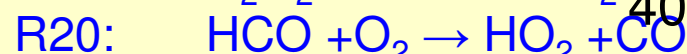
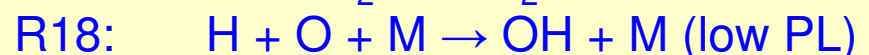
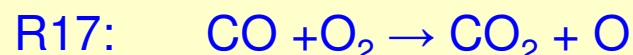
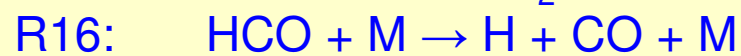
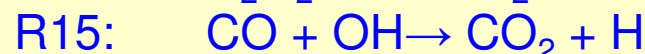
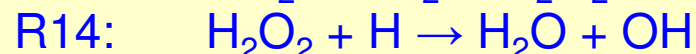
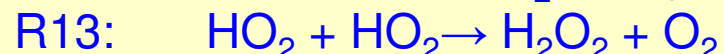
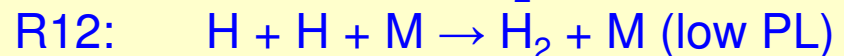
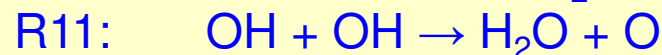
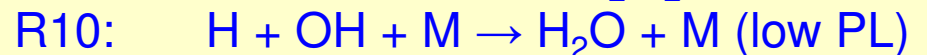
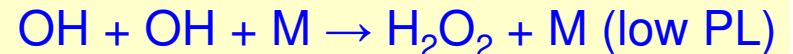
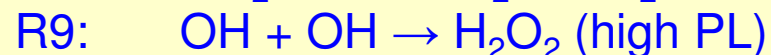
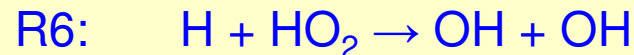
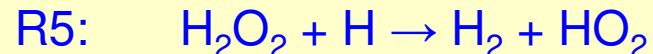
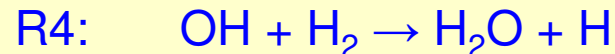
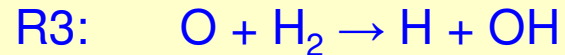
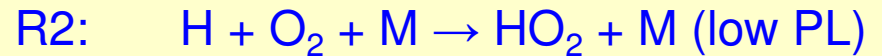
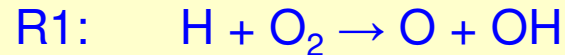
sensitivity of each simulated data point

with respect to the *A*-factors

These elementary reactions were
in the top 10 at all conditions

in hydrogen and wet CO

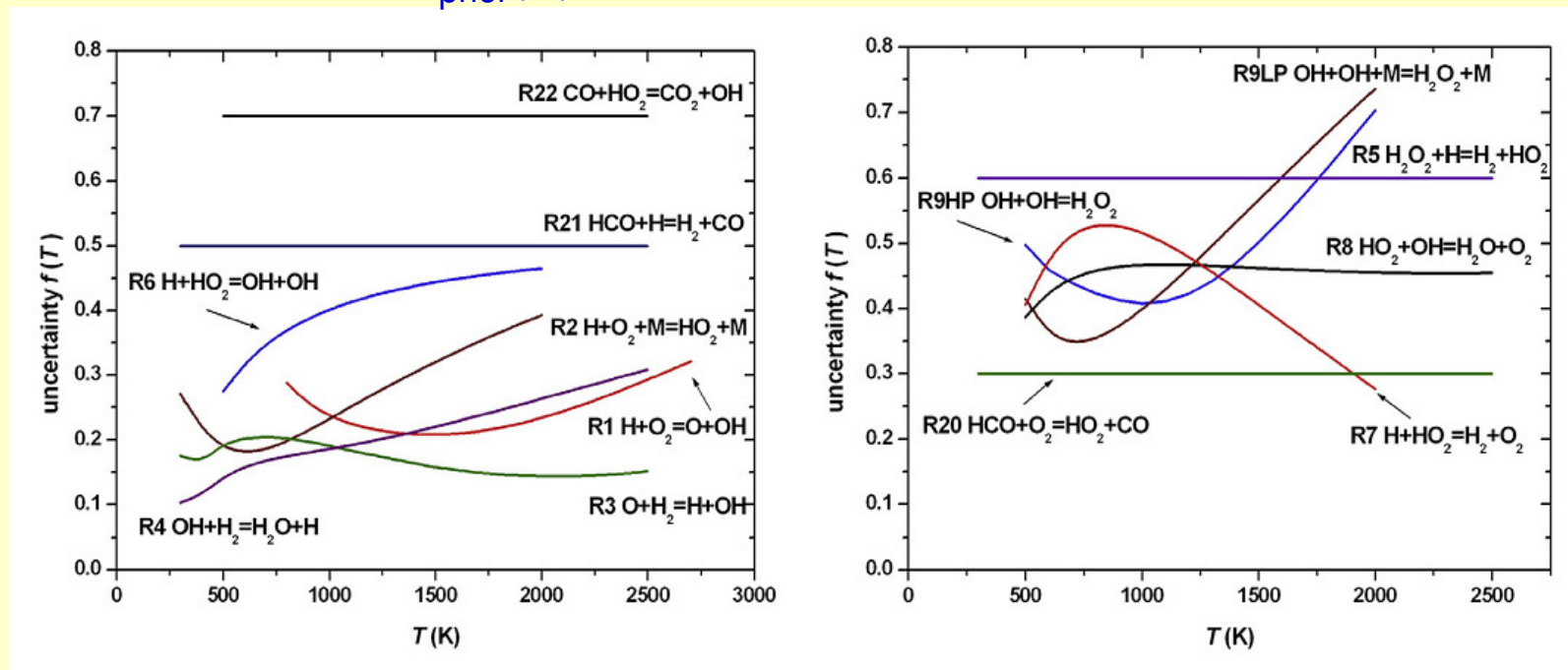
combustion systems



Prior uncertainty for 22 reactions

The theory above was applied to the 22 most sensitive elementary reactions of the hydrogen/syngas combustion system.

These are the obtained $f_{\text{prior}}(T)$ functions:



T. Nagy, É. Valkó, I. Sedyó, I. Gy. Zsély, M. J. Pilling, T. Turányi:
Uncertainty of the rate parameters of several important elementary reactions
of the H_2 and syngas combustion systems
Combust. Flame, **162**, 2059-2076 (2015)

Parameters and model results

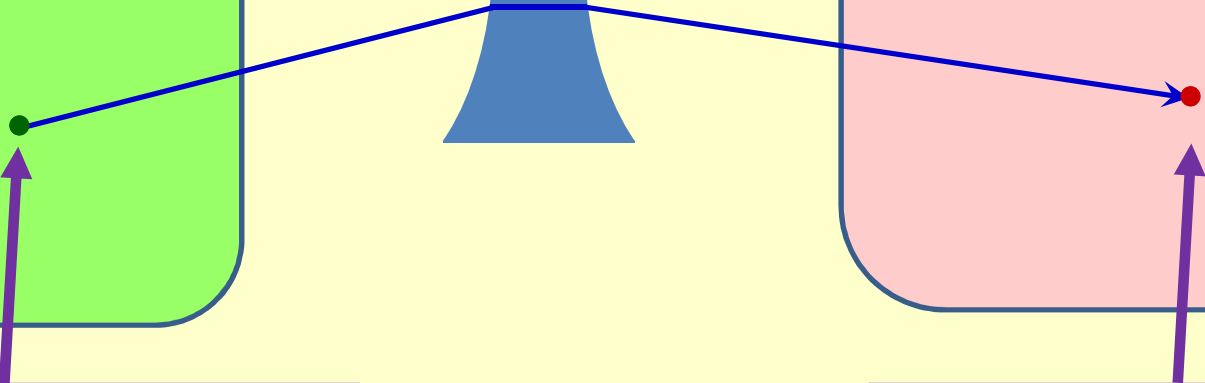
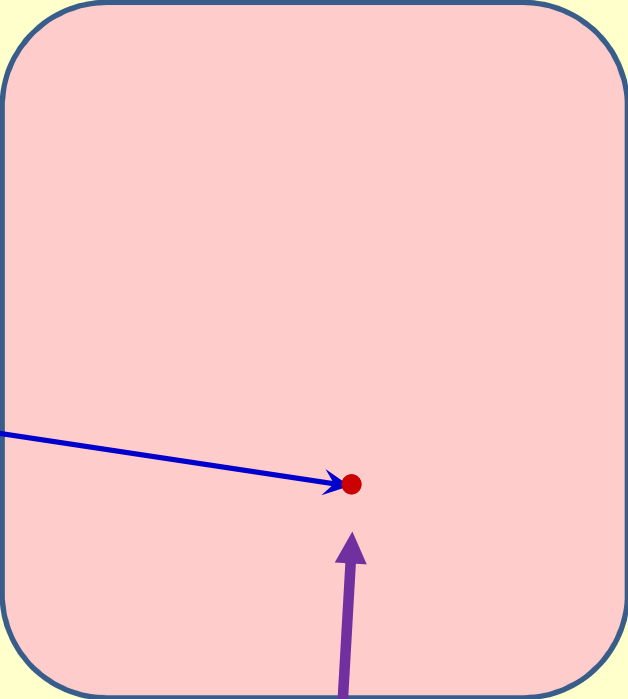
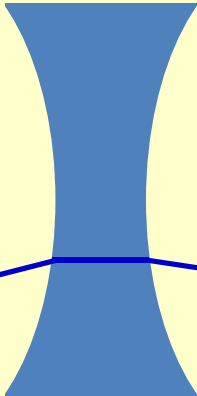
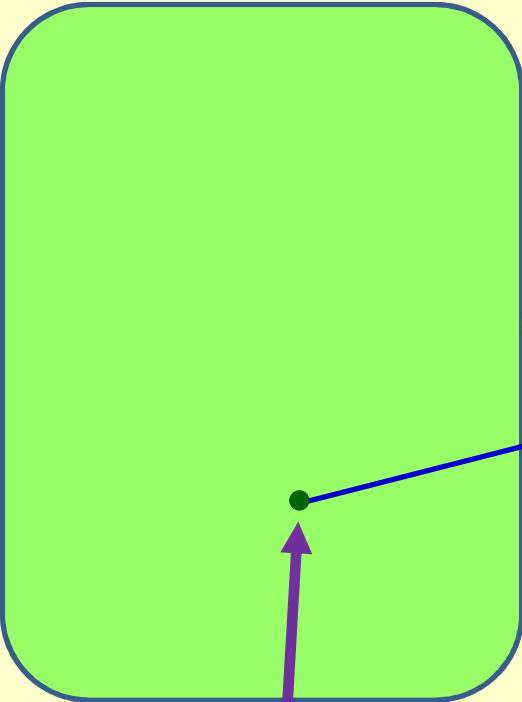
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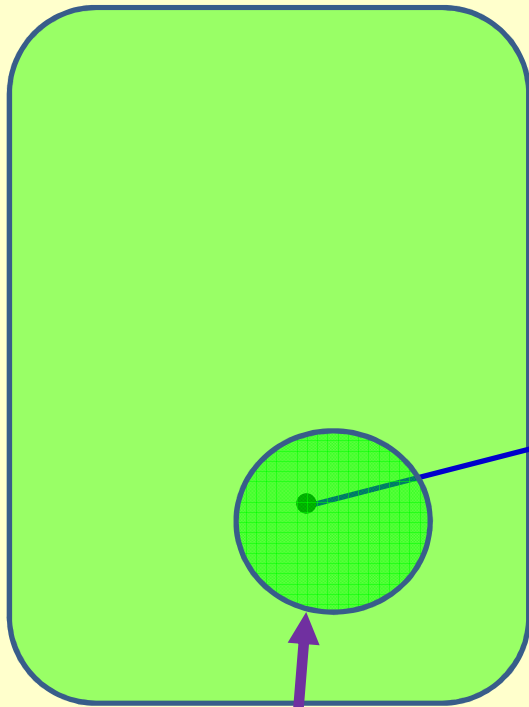
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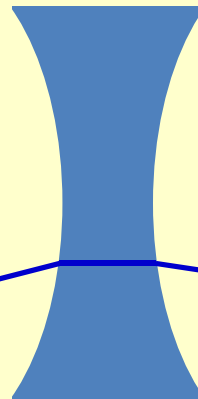


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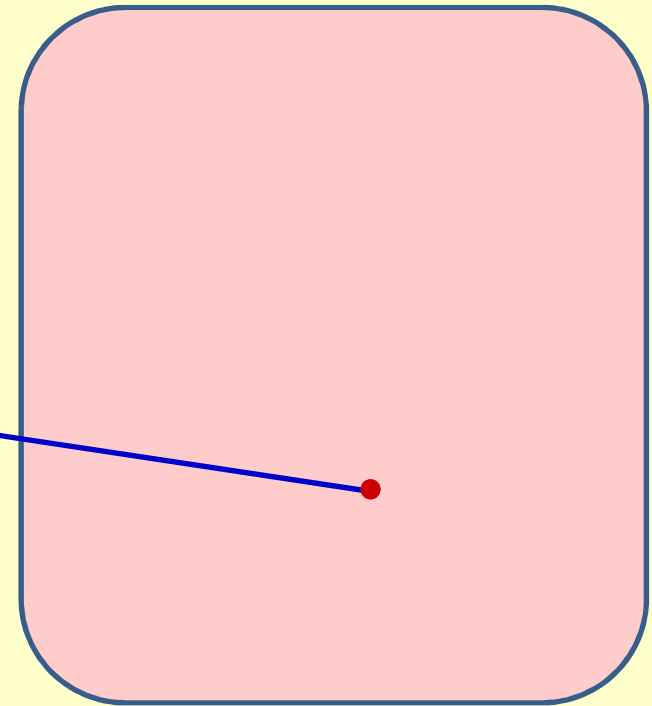
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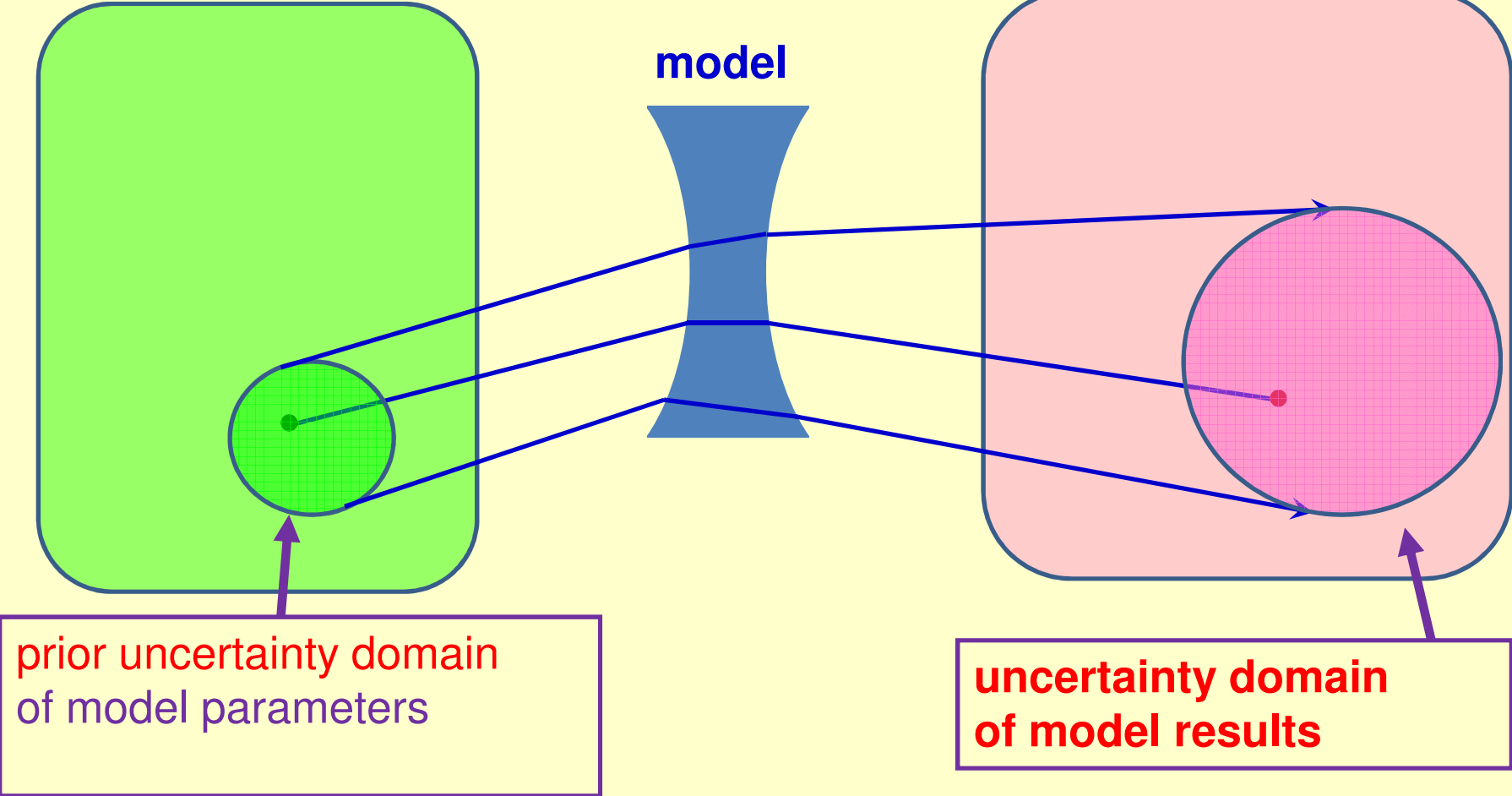
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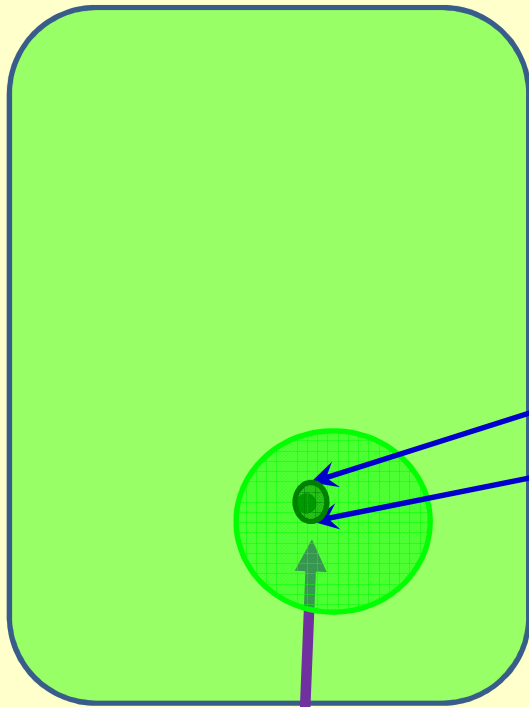
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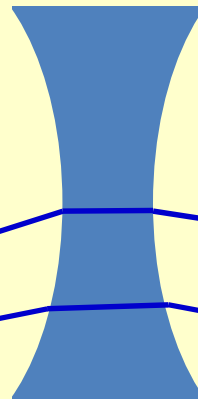
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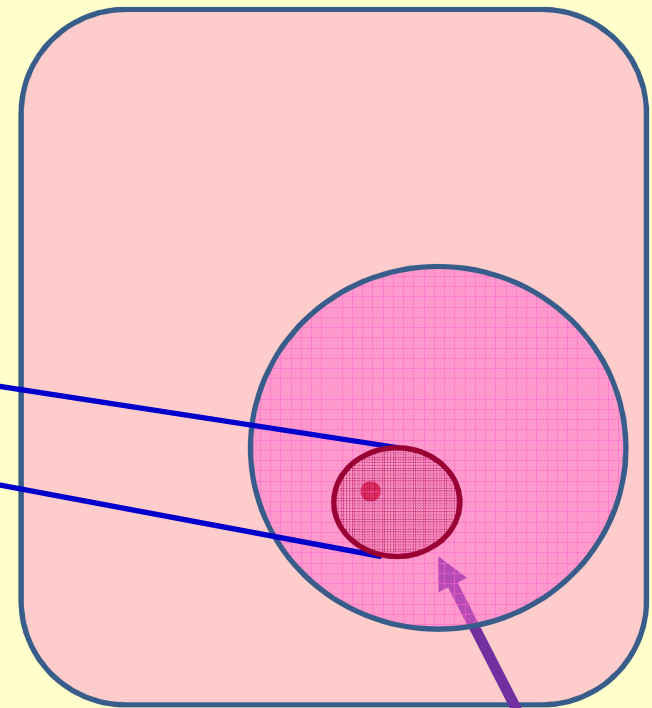


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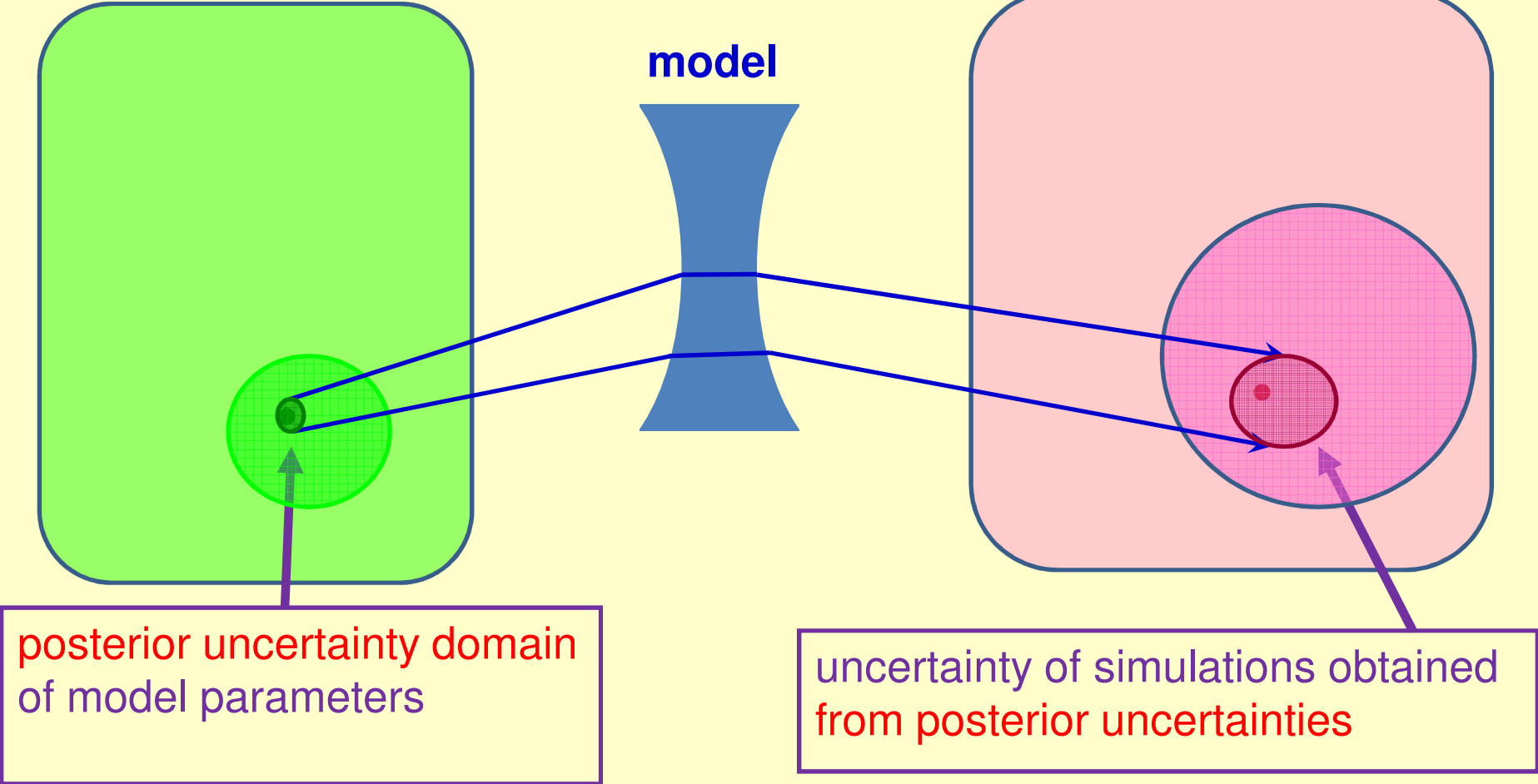
uncertainty domain of
indirect experimental data

Posterior uncertainty of parameters

space of parameters

space of model results

model



posterior uncertainty domain of model parameters

uncertainty of simulations obtained from posterior uncertainties

Problems with the *prior* uncertainty

The principal aim is not to exclude possible parameters:

⇒ too wide limits to get a cautious uncertainty estimation

Deals with the elementary reactions individually:

⇒ cannot define joint uncertainties

Better uncertainty is needed, which is

- based on all available scientific information
- results of mathematical statistical calculations
- defines the joint uncertainty of the parameters

⇒ ***posterior* uncertainty domain of the rate parameters**

**Determination of the *posterior* uncertainty
of the reaction rate parameters**

Mechanism optimisation

- 1 all indirect measurement data should be collected that are applicable for testing a mechanism.
- 2 sensitivity analysis for finding the important reaction steps (simulated data points with respect to the rate parameters) the rate parameters of these reactions will be optimised
- 3 determination of the *prior* uncertainty of the rate parameters (= determination of the domain of allowed parameter values)
- 4 all reliable direct measurement data and high level theoretically calculated rate coefficients related to the important reactions are collected
- 5 global parameter optimisation considering both the indirect and direct measurement data
 - ⇒ new rate parameters with physical meaning
 - ⇒ ***a posteriori* uncertainty domain of rate parameters**

Turányi T, Nagy T, Zsély IGy, Cserhádi M, Varga T, Szabó B, Sedyó I, Kiss P, Zempléni A, Curran H J
Determination of rate parameters based on both direct and indirect measurements.
Int. J. Chem. Kinet. **44**, 284–302 (2012)

Determination of posterior uncertainties for a syngas combustion mechanism

Posterior uncertainties

Results of optimization:
fitting to both indirect and direct experimental data

Hydrogen combustion data

Extensive review of the literature was carried out

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| • Ignition delays – shock tube | 786 datapoints in 54 datasets |
| • Ignition delays – RCM | 229 datapoints in 20 datasets |
| • Laminar flame velocities | 631 datapoints in 73 datasets |
| • Species profiles – JSR | 149 datapoints in 9 datasets |
| • Species profiles – flow reactor | 372 datapoints in 16 datasets |

Wide range of conditions

- Temperature: 800 K – 2300 K
- Pressure 0.1 bar – 65 bar
- Equivalence ratio 0.2 – 5.0

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- Species profiles – flow reactor 633 datapoints in 44 datasets
- Species profiles – shock tube 436 datapoints in 7 datasets

Wide range of conditions

- Temperature: 800 K – 2000 K (max. 2800 K)
- Pressure 0.5 bar – 50 bar (max. 500 bar)
- Equivalence ratio 0.35 – 5.0
- H₂/CO ratio 0.1 – 3.0

Initial mechanism –

C/H/O reactions of the Kéromnès *et al.* mechanism

A. Kéromnès, W.K. Metcalfe, K.A. Heufer, N. Donohoe, A.K. Das, C.-J. Sung, J. Herzler, C. Naumann, P. Griebel, O. Mathieu, M.C. Krejci, E.L. Petersen, W.J. Pitz, H.J. Curran, *Combust. Flame* 160 (2013) 995–1011.

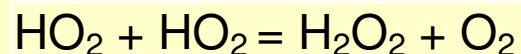
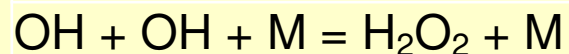
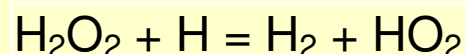
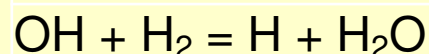
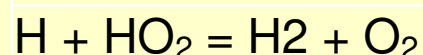
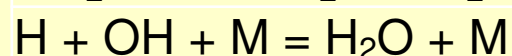
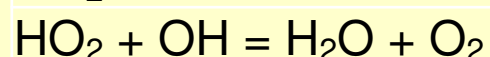
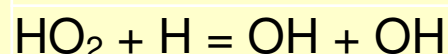
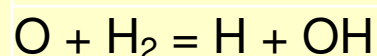
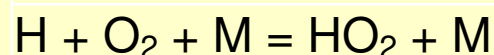
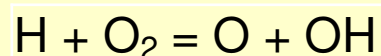
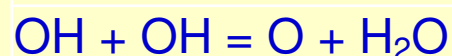
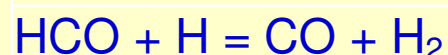
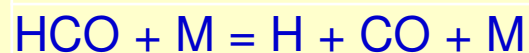
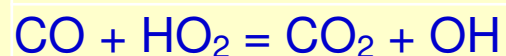
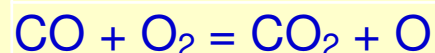
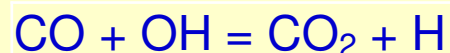
Our recently published optimised hydrogen combustion mechanism

T. Varga, T. Nagy, C. Olm, I. Gy. Zsély, R. Pálvölgyi, E. Valkó, G. Vincze, M. Cserhádi, H. J. Curran, T. Turányi *Proc. Comb. Inst.*, **35**, 589-596 (2015)

Reactions selected for optimisation

**18 elementary reaction steps selected
based on local sensitivity analysis**

The third body collision efficiencies for all major species were investigated – Ar, He, H₂, O₂, H₂O, CO, CO₂



**2275 directly measured rate coefficient values
in 85 datasets were also used**

Optimisation and uncertainty calculation

Optimisation - minimisation of this error function:

$$E(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{N_i} \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \left(\frac{Y_{ij}^{mod}(\mathbf{p}) - Y_{ij}^{exp}}{\sigma(Y_{ij}^{exp})} \right)^2$$

y_{ij} measured/calculated rate coefficient OR
measured/calculated ignition time/flame velocity
in data point j of data series i

σ standard deviation of the measured data

N_i number of data points in data series i

N number of data series (different experiments)

$$Y_{ij} = \begin{cases} y_{ij} & \text{if } \sigma(y_{ij}^{exp}) \approx \text{constant} \\ \ln y_{ij} & \text{if } \sigma(\ln y_{ij}^{exp}) \approx \text{constant} \end{cases}$$

Calculation of the covariance matrix of the estimated parameters:

Covariance matrix of
experiments

Discrepancy between
experiments and model

$$\Sigma_p = \left[(\mathbf{J}_o^T \mathbf{W} \Sigma_Y^{-1} \mathbf{J}_o)^{-1} \mathbf{J}_o^T \mathbf{W} \Sigma_Y^{-1} \right] (\Sigma_Y + \Sigma_\Delta) \left[(\mathbf{J}_o^T \mathbf{W} \Sigma_Y^{-1} \mathbf{J}_o)^{-1} \mathbf{J}_o^T \mathbf{W} \Sigma_Y^{-1} \right]^T$$

The obtained rate parameters

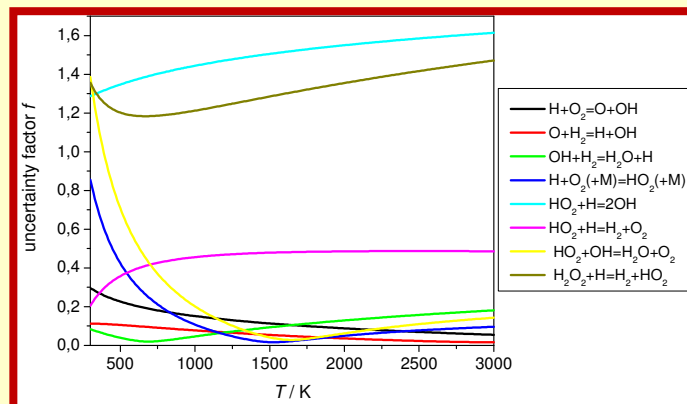
Optimized subset of reactions		Optimized parameters			Units are cm, mole, s, K
		ln A	<i>n</i>	<i>E/R</i>	
R24	CO + OH = CO ₂ + H	9.717	2.221	-694.7	
R1	H + O ₂ = O + OH	36.16	-0.4859	8116	
R9	H + O ₂ + M = HO ₂ + M	45.41	-1.373	-	
R2	O + H ₂ = H + OH	14.04	2.270	3501	
R11	HO ₂ + H = OH + OH	31.69	-	86.07	
R13	HO ₂ + OH = H ₂ O + O ₂	27.59	0.4201	-477.4	
R8	H + OH + M = H ₂ O + M	55.66	-2.538	60.79	
R10	H + HO ₂ = H ₂ + O ₂	14.57	2.113	-817.7	
R3	OH + H ₂ = H + H ₂ O	16.40	1.878	1586	
R18	H ₂ O ₂ + H = H ₂ + HO ₂	46.03	-1.925	4743	
R16	OH + OH + M = H ₂ O ₂ + M	42.14	-1.178	-2150	
R23	CO + O ₂ = CO ₂ + O	28.69	-	24005	
R25	CO + HO ₂ = CO ₂ + OH	16.53	1.680	9139	
R15	HO ₂ + HO ₂ = H ₂ O ₂ + O ₂	35.01	-	7826	
R26	HCO + M = H + CO + M	24.62	0.9596	7368	
R28	HCO + H = CO + H ₂	31.79	-	-	
R4	OH + OH = O + H ₂ O	11.35	2.2642	-898.2	
R5	H + H + M = H ₂ + M	43.05	-1.213	308.0	

Results of optimization

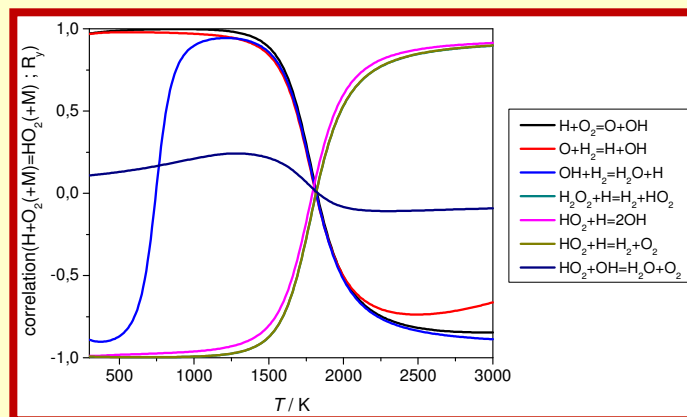
Set of optimized rate parameters

Covariance matrix of
all optimized parameters

this is the basic
posterior uncertainty
information



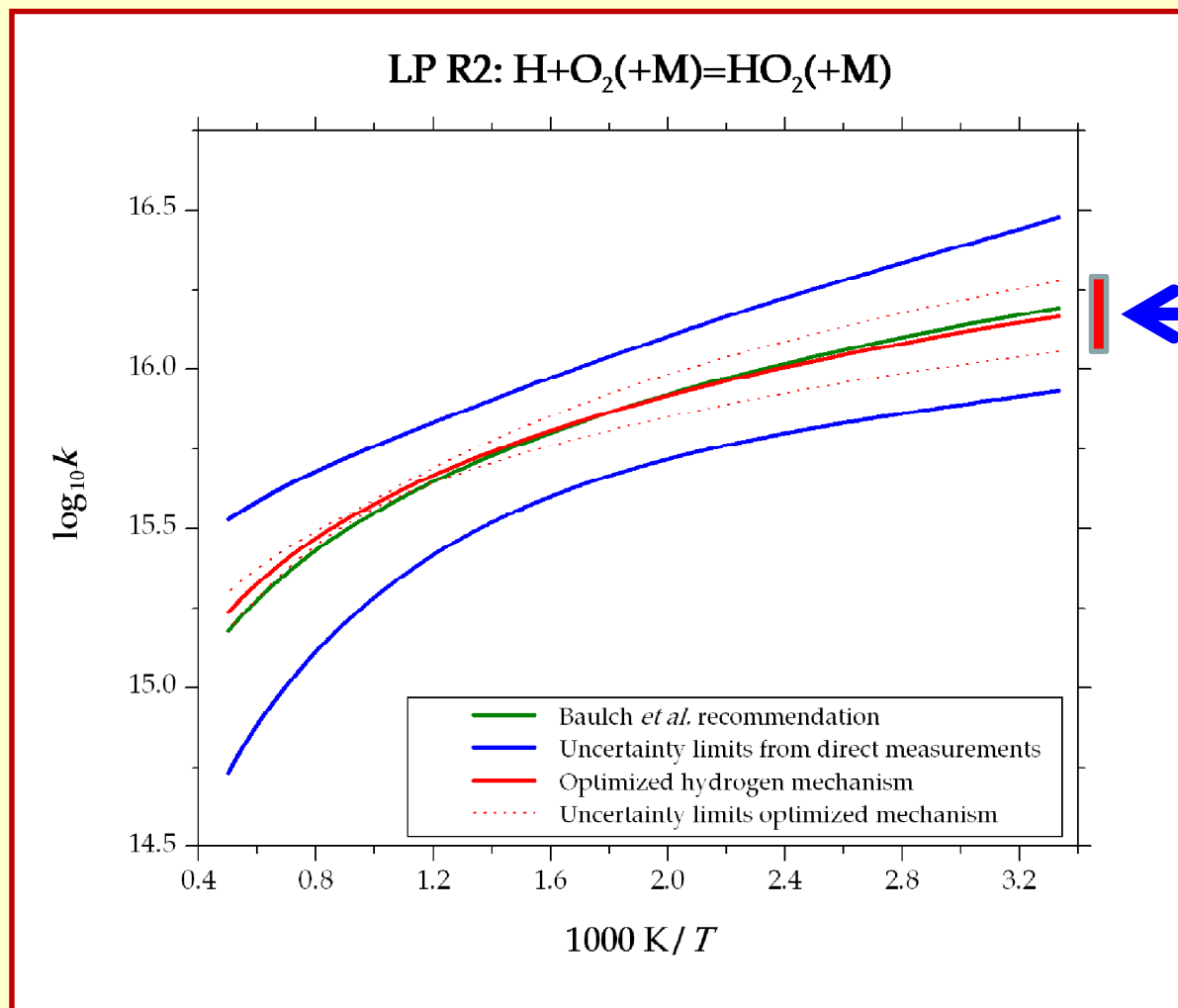
posterior $f(T)$
uncertainty function
of rate coefficients



Correlation of
rate coefficients

prior vs. posterior uncertainty

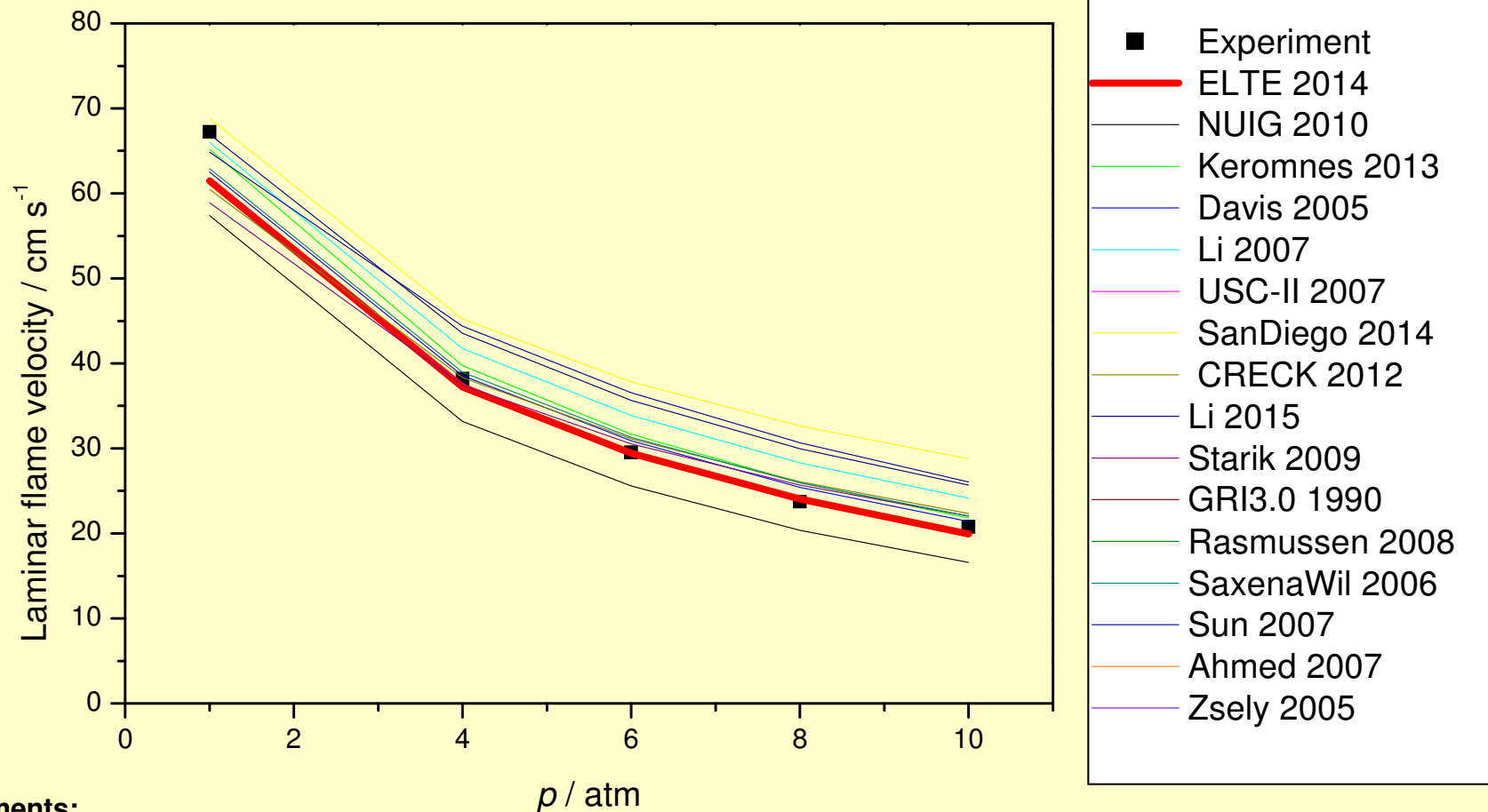
for each reaction:
the *posterior* region was narrower
and typically within the *prior* uncertainty region.



a posteriori
range of
uncertainty

Testing the optimised mechanism

- Laminar flame speed measurements of Santner *et al.* (2013)

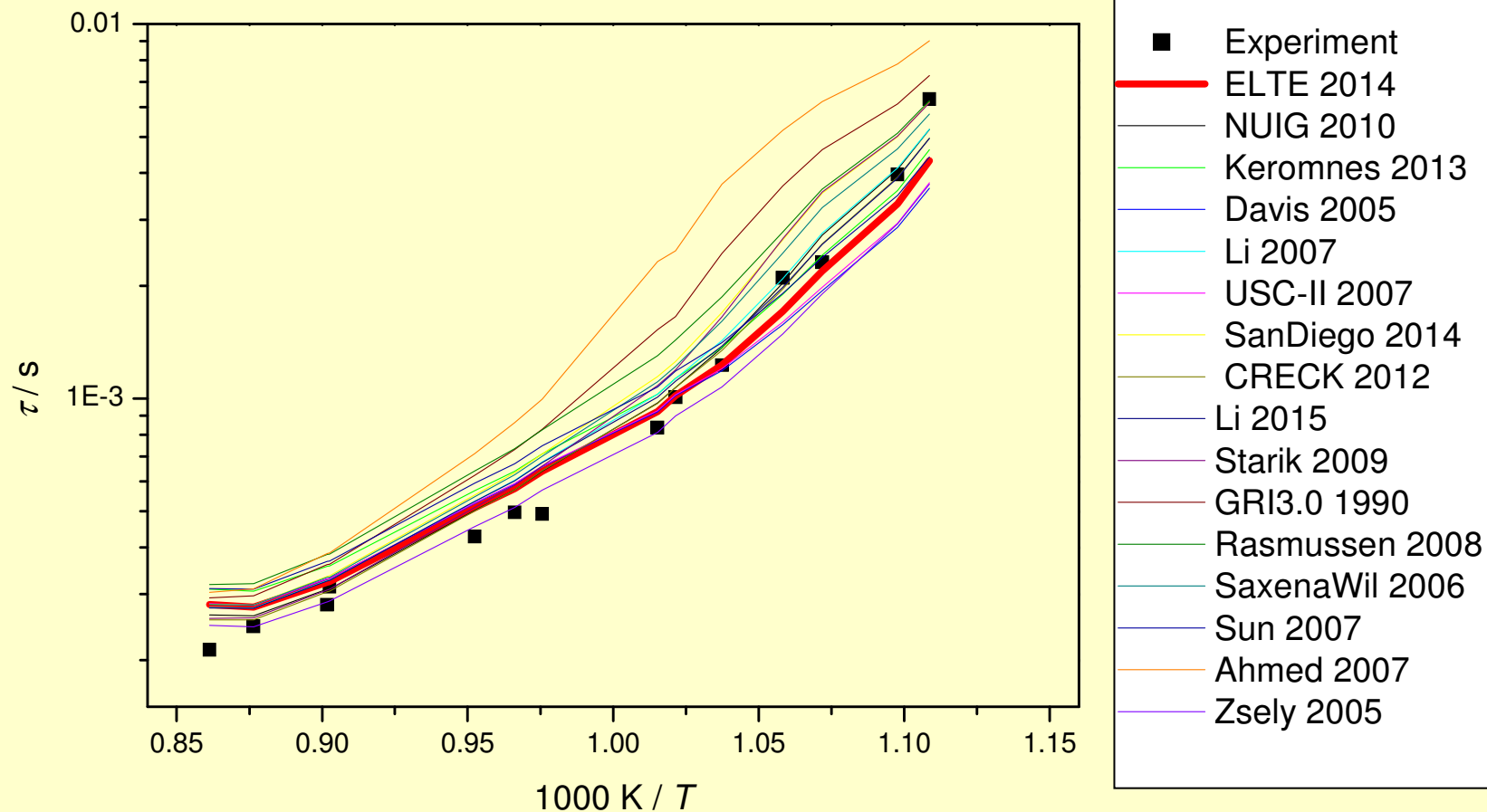


experiments:

Santner *et al.*, *Proc. Combust. Inst.*, **34**, 439-446 (2013) $T_0 = 295$ K equivalence ratio = 0.85 H₂:CO ratio = 1:1 5% steam added

Testing the optimised mechanism 2

- Shock tube study of Thi *et al.* (2014)



experiments:

Thi *et al.* *Can. J. Chem. Eng.*, **92**, 861-870 (2014) $T = 902\text{--}1161 \text{ K}$; $p = 1.6 \text{ bar}$; equivalence ratio = 1 $\text{H}_2\text{:CO}$ ratio: 2.3:1

Comparison with other syngas mechanisms

Syngas combustion

Average error function

Mechanism	IDT	Conc	Flame noHe	Flame wHe	Total noHe	Total wHe
ELTE Syngas 2016	14.83	7.95	4.95	4.84	8.43	8.08
NUIG NGM 2010	26.52	11.72	7.59	7.84	14.05	13.69
Kéromnès 2013	38.09	21.34	6.60	6.29	18.33	17.20
Davis 2005	52.04	13.49	4.26	4.36	20.43	19.19
POLIMI 2014	45.28	29.17	5.49	5.89	20.93	19.93
Li 2015 (PROCI)	19.80	105.73	5.27	5.92	22.27	21.30
Li 2007	50.77	30.11	5.58	5.79	22.82	21.57
USC 2007 II	64.17	10.78	5.17	-	24.41	-
San Diego 2014	30.38	50.92	15.81	16.20	24.73	24.25
Starik 2009	36.04	75.02	15.58	14.66	29.37	27.71
GRI 3.0 1999	77.23	55.56	5.49	-	34.24	-
Rasmussen 2008	87.12	74.65	16.15	-	45.70	-
Saxena Williams 2006	77.51	162.54	5.31	5.39	47.47	44.14
Sun 2007	133.69	84.05	5.74	6.85	55.65	52.32
No. of datasets	94	37	168	194	299	325
No. of data points	938	777	1649	1879	3364	3594

Conclusions

- The uncertainty parameter f values given in the evaluations belong to separate temperature values/intervals and are not in accordance with the Arrhenius expression of k

A procedure was suggested **to obtain consistent prior f values**

UBAC: $f_{\text{original}} \rightarrow f_{\text{extreme}}$

- The $T-f_{\text{extreme}}$ table can be transformed (using program JPDAP) to the **covariance matrix Σ_p of the Arrhenius parameters** (6 parameters)
- Σ_p can be used to restore prior **uncertainty parameter $f_{\text{prior}}(T)$**
- Σ_p defines the **prior uncertainty domain of Arrhenius parameters**, to be used in mechanism optimization studies
- **Prior uncertainty was determined for 22 syngas elementary reactions**
- A new **optimised syngas combustion model** was developed
- The **performance of the model was tested** against (almost) all available indirect experimental data
- New rate parameters of 18 elementary reaction steps were obtained with **joint posterior uncertainty domain**

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Summary

prior uncertainty of the rate parameters

- determined for each elementary reaction separately
- uncertainty parameter f is available, but
 - its temperature dependence is often missing
- reevaluation of each elementary reaction is needed

Results of reevaluation:

- realistic $f(T)$ function
- domain of uncertainty of the Arrhenius parameters

It is important for a practising kineticist:
which are the limits of changes in the Arrhenius parameters.

Program suite *u-Limits* + UBAC + JPDAP
was written to make the calculation of
the uncertainty domain of the Arrhenius parameter
a semiautomatic process.

Summary 2

posterior uncertainty of the rate parameters

- by-product of mechanism optimization
- should be done for a group of related reactions
- should be interpreted as a joint domain of uncertainty
- reflects all information about the system:
 - direct and indirect measurements,
 - high-level theoretical calculations

Code Optima++ for optimization studies provides

„raw” uncertainty information:

covariance matrix of the optimized parameters

„processed” uncertainty information:

$f(T)$ functions + temperature dependent correlations



*Thank you for
your attention!*