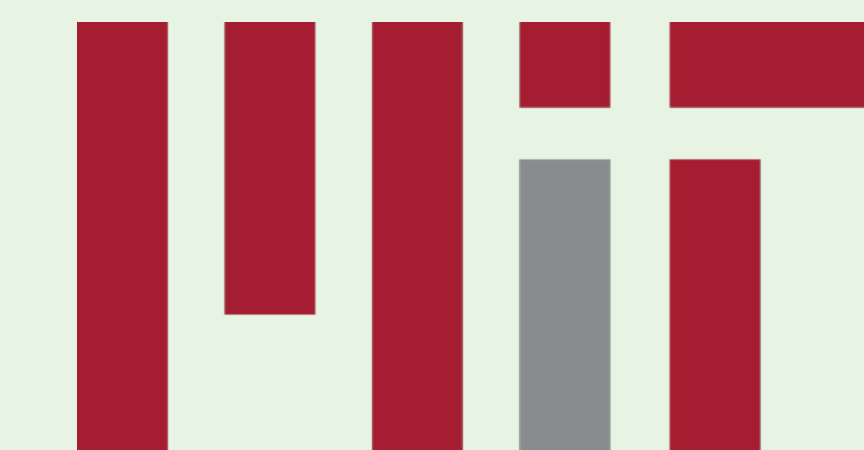


# Nanophotonic Particle Simulation and Inverse Design

## Using Artificial Neural Networks

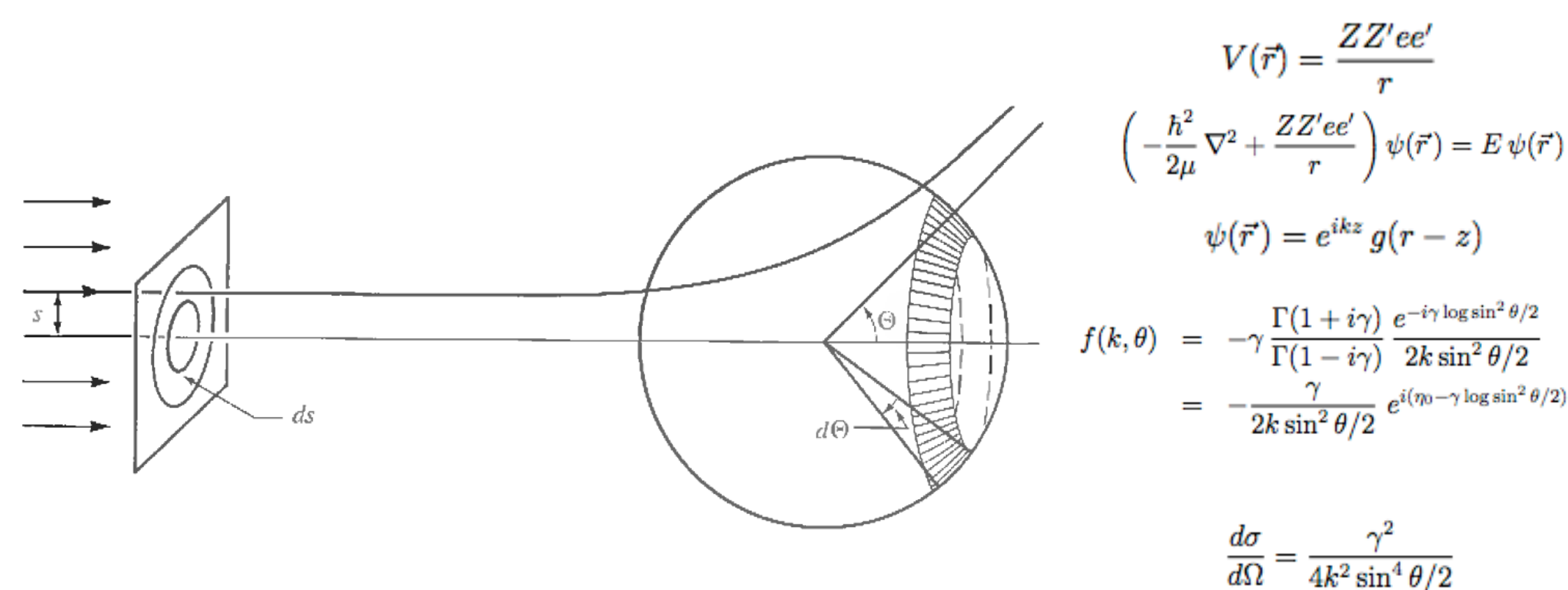
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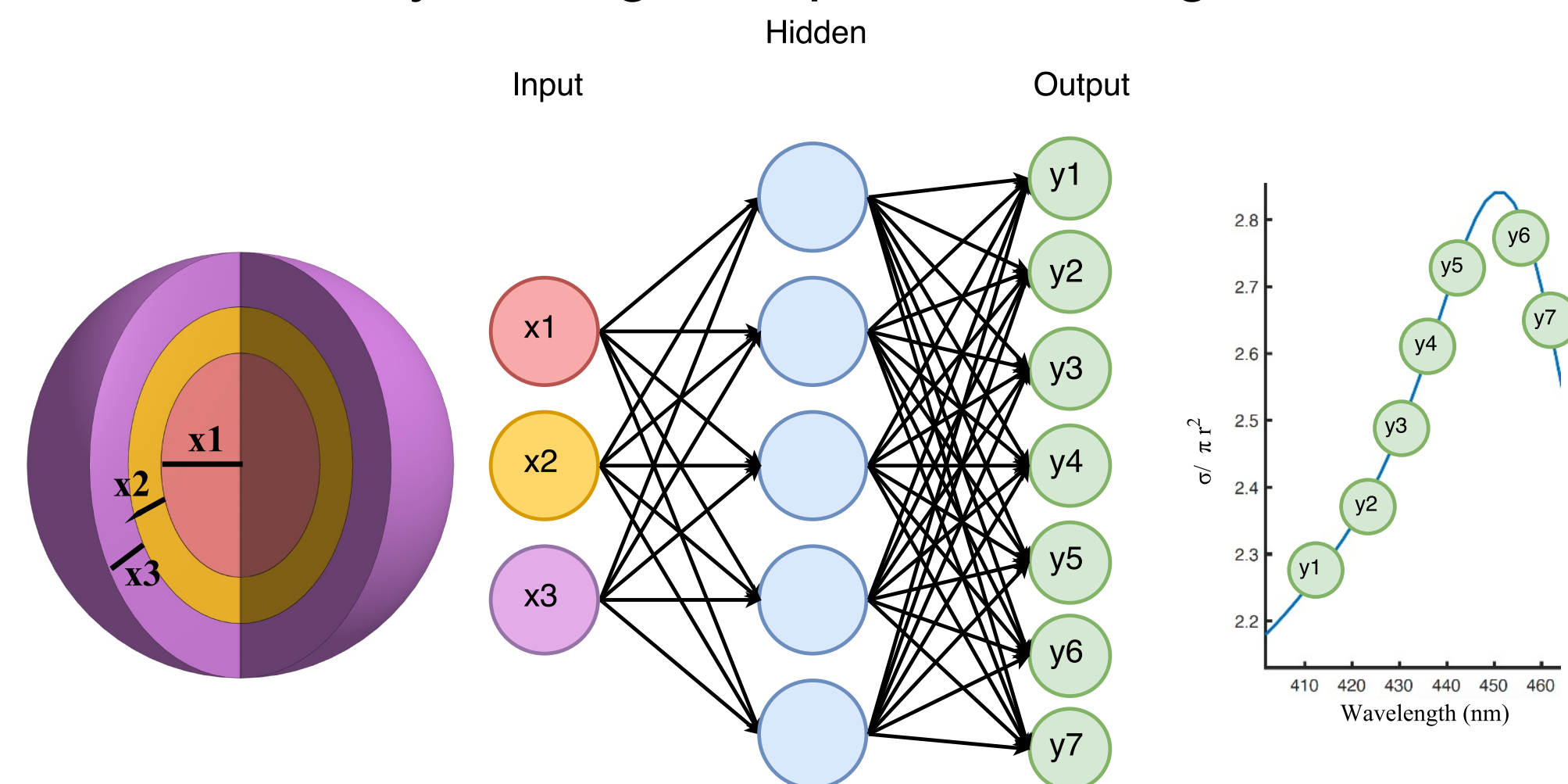


### NN's could learn Maxwell's Equations

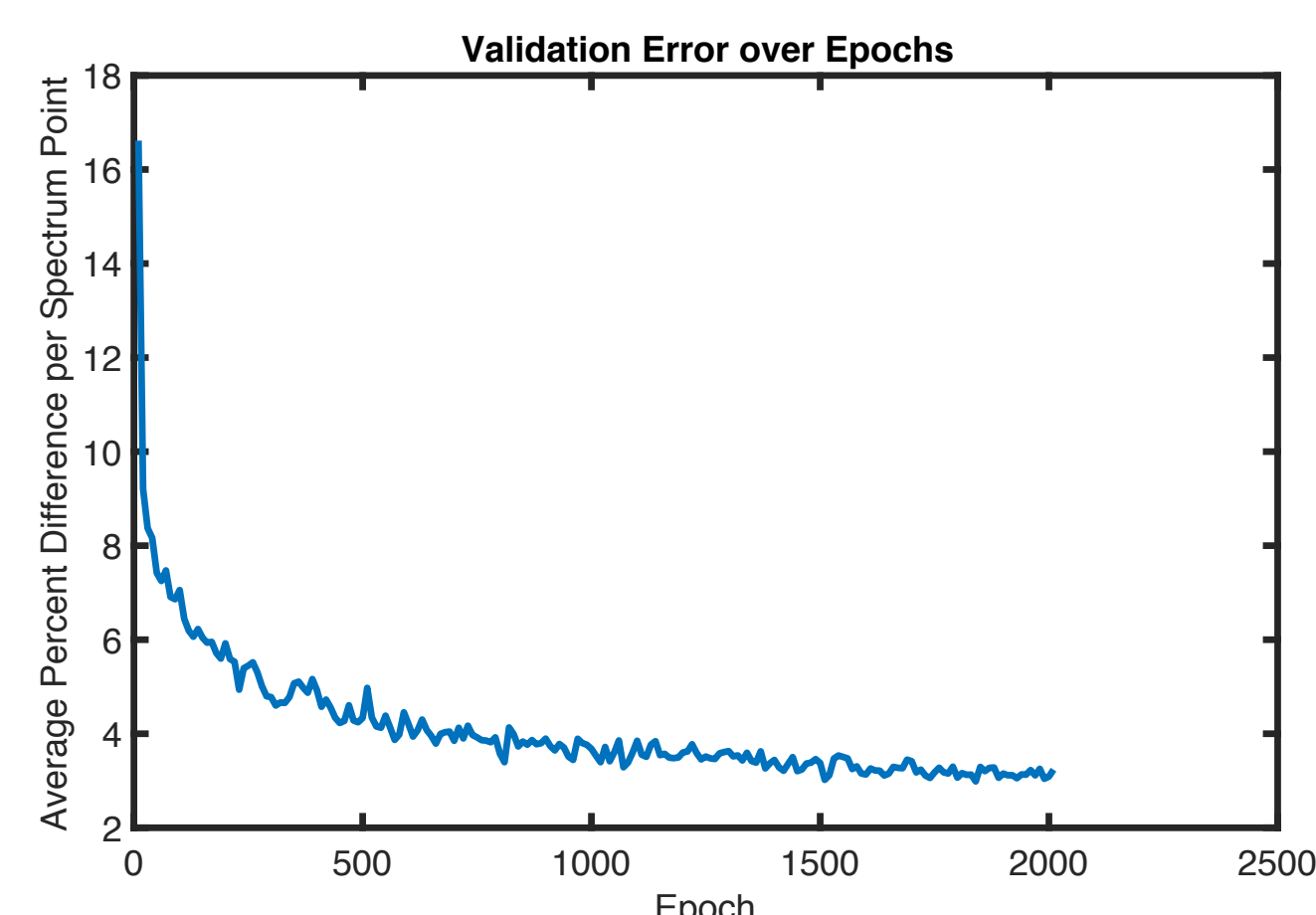
- Inverse Design is difficult
  - You can compute the forward computation easily in many cases, but going the opposite direction is difficult
- NN's have an analytical gradient/matrix representation, which may be helpful to solve inverse design problems
  - Could Approximation simulations faster
  - Solve Inverse Design more accurately
  - Create an optimizer for desired results.



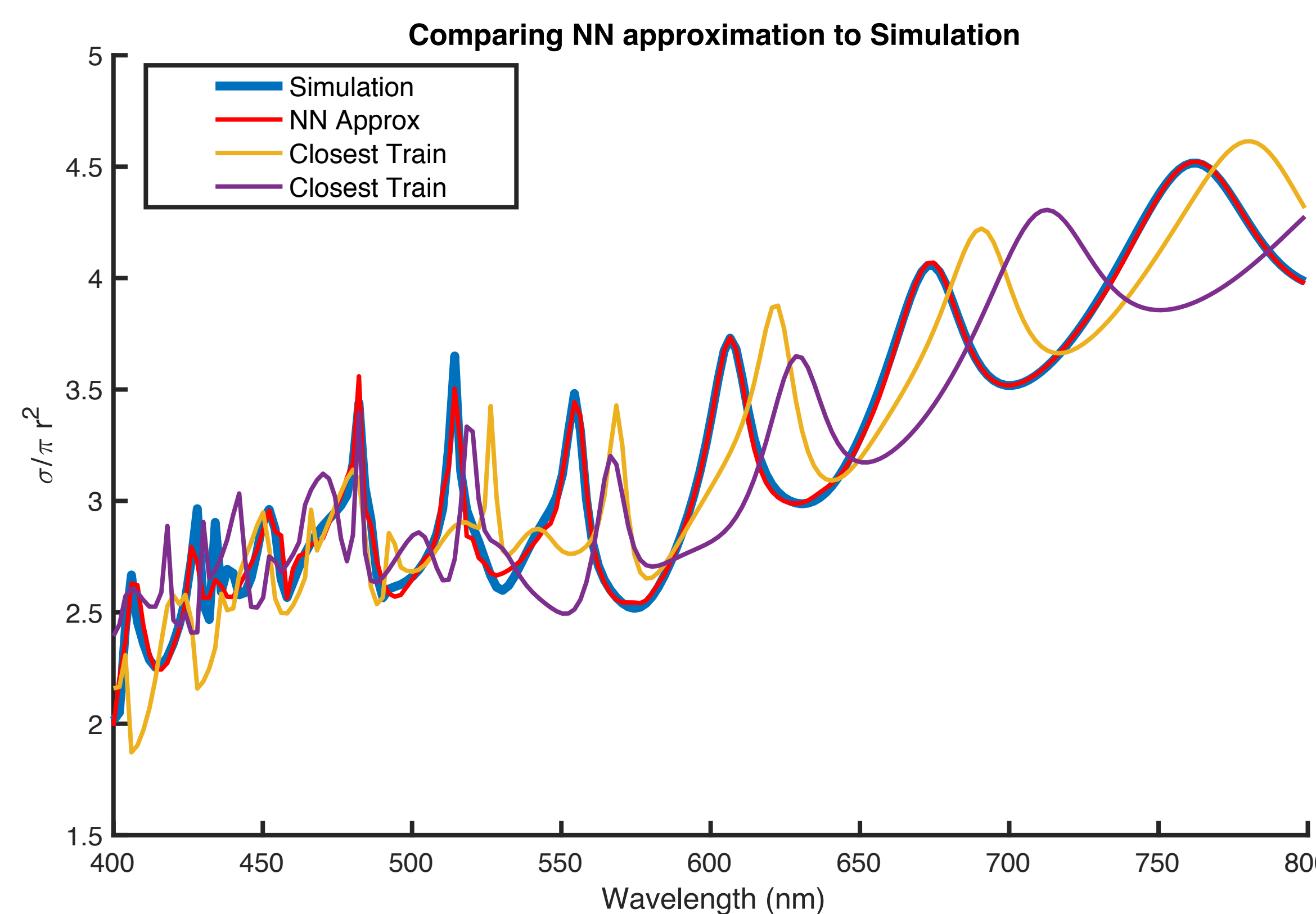
- We show this by solving nanophotonic design.



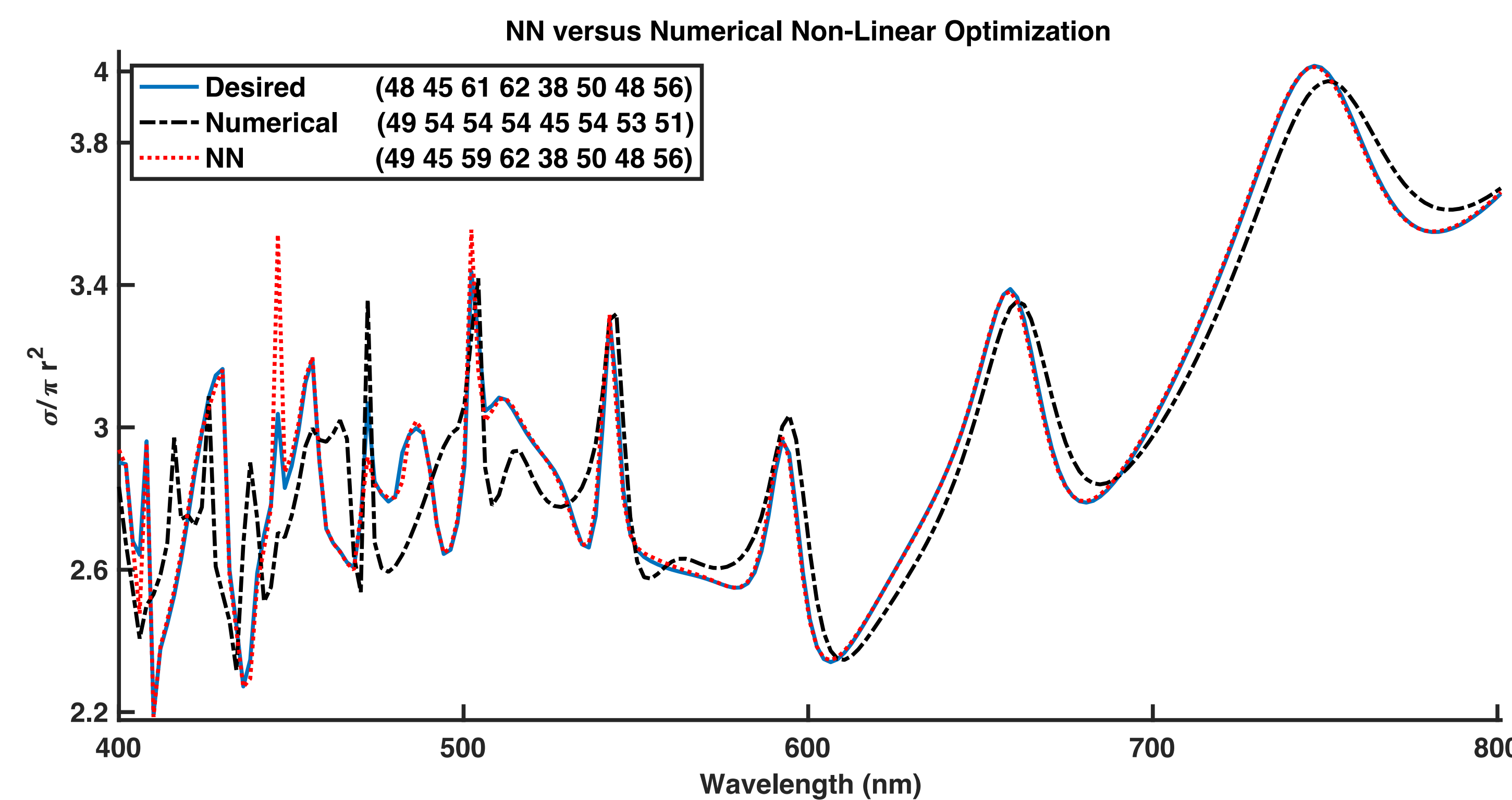
- The geometry (individual layer thicknesses) are input to the NN.
  - 8 layers, 30-70nm thick
  - Alternating TiO2/Silica
- A Matlab simulation generates the training data.
  - ~50,000 examples



### NN's solve Nanophotonic Inverse Design



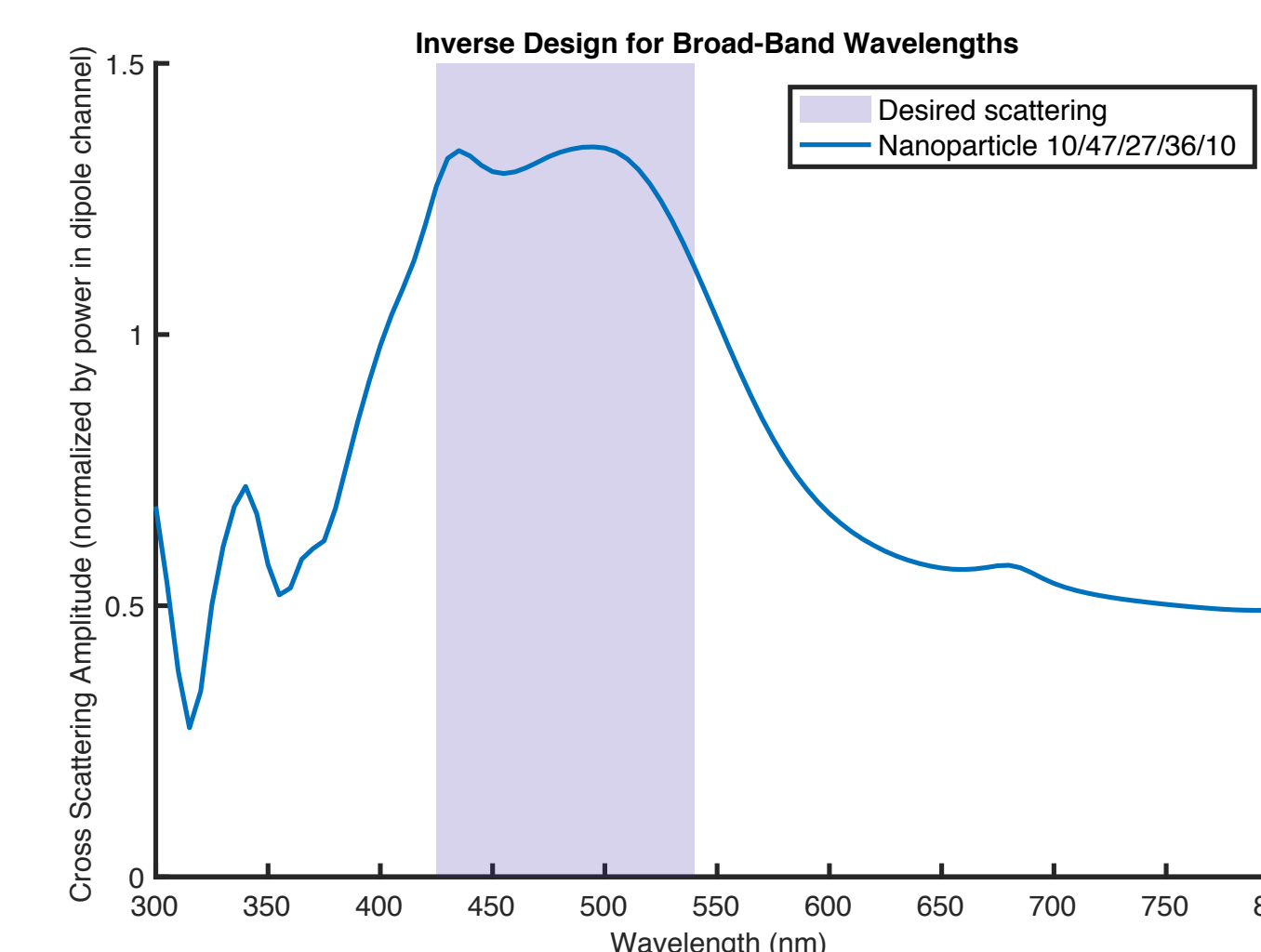
- The yellow/purple line show the nearest training examples in size.
- This had 8 input parameters, and was only shown 50,000 samples (~4 samples/input)



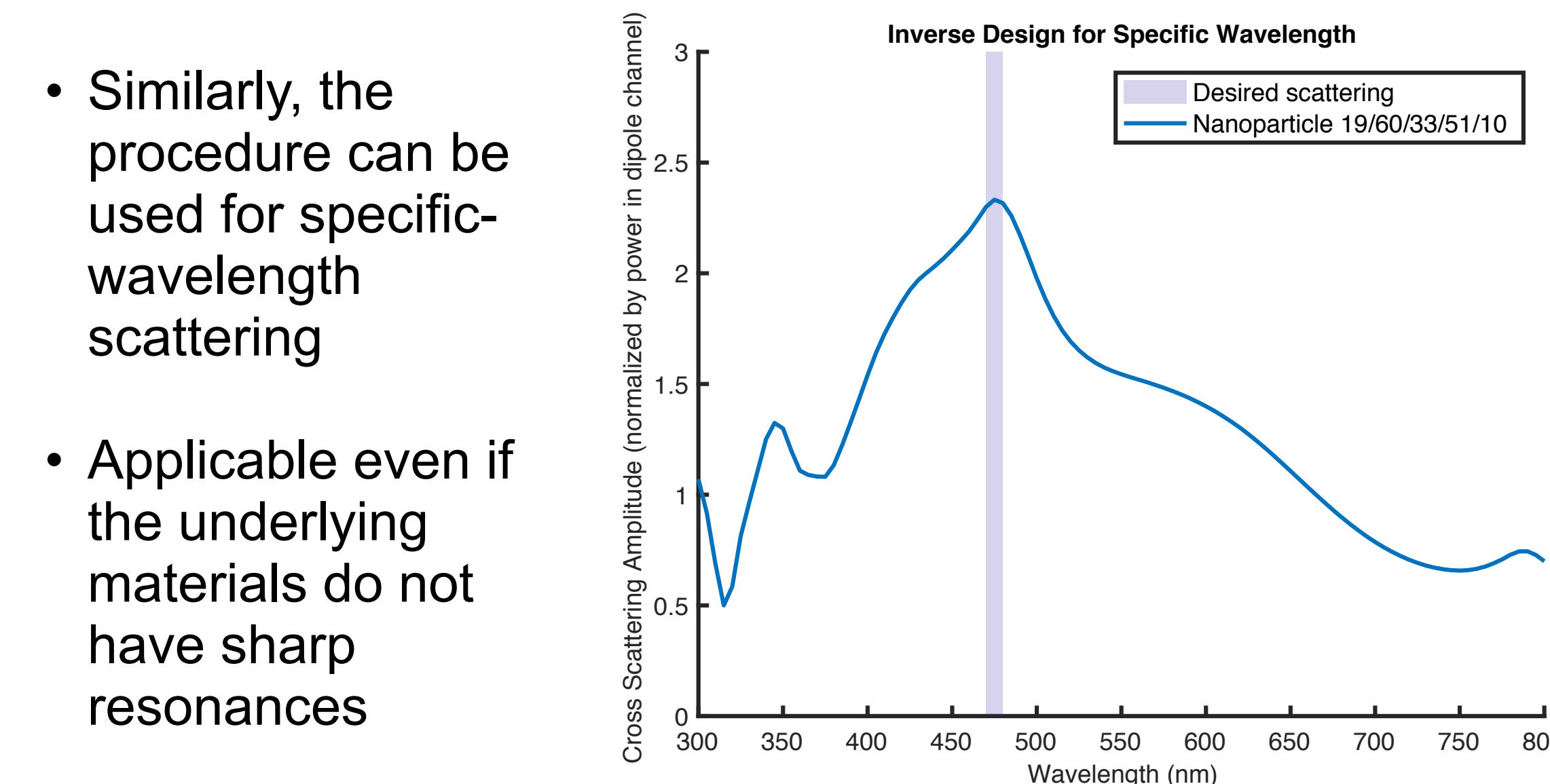
- To solve inverse design, we fix the weights and train the inputs as biases
- This result is for an eight layer nanoparticle.
- Blue is the desired spectrum, the black is from numerical non-linear optimizations, and the red is the Neural Network results.
- This was compared against interior-point methods, initialized 50 times

### NN's can be an Optimization Tool

- We choose a loss function to optimize for a particular scattering

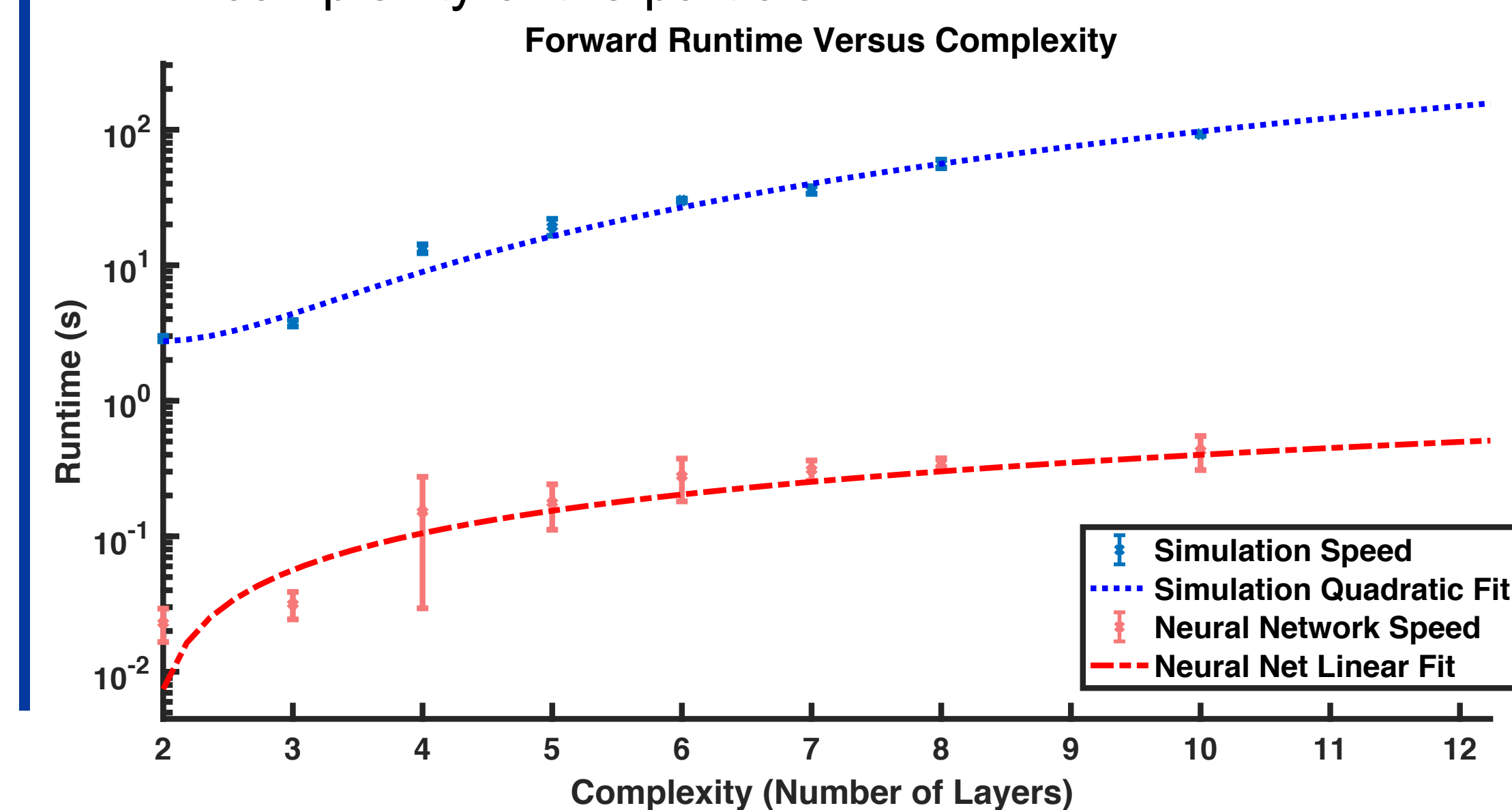


- The cost function here was maximizing purple region, minimizing outside.
- After a couple of iterations, it finds a broad-band material.



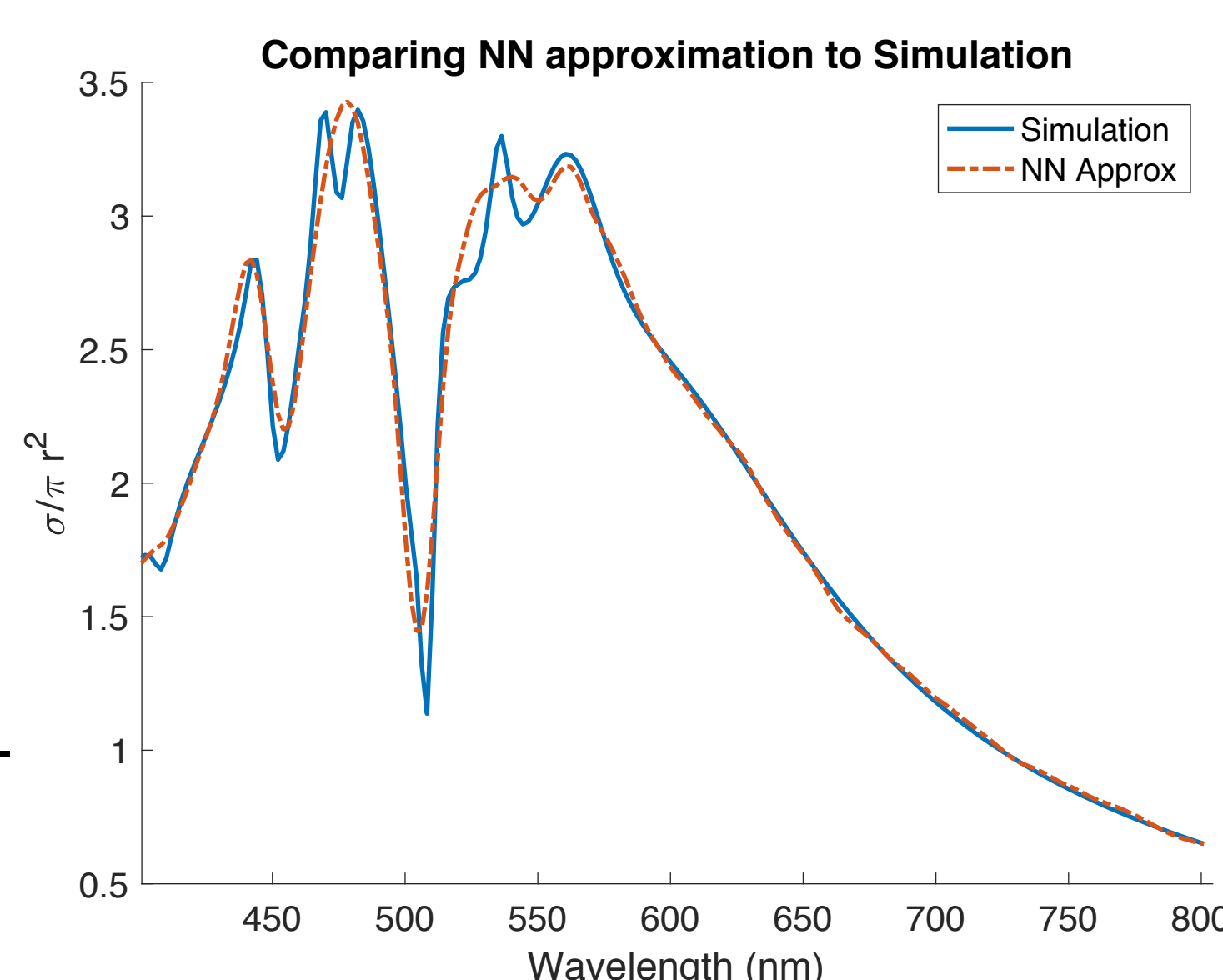
- Similarly, the procedure can be used for specific-wavelength scattering
- Applicable even if the underlying materials do not have sharp resonances

- Comparing the speed of the simulation/NN versus complexity of the particle



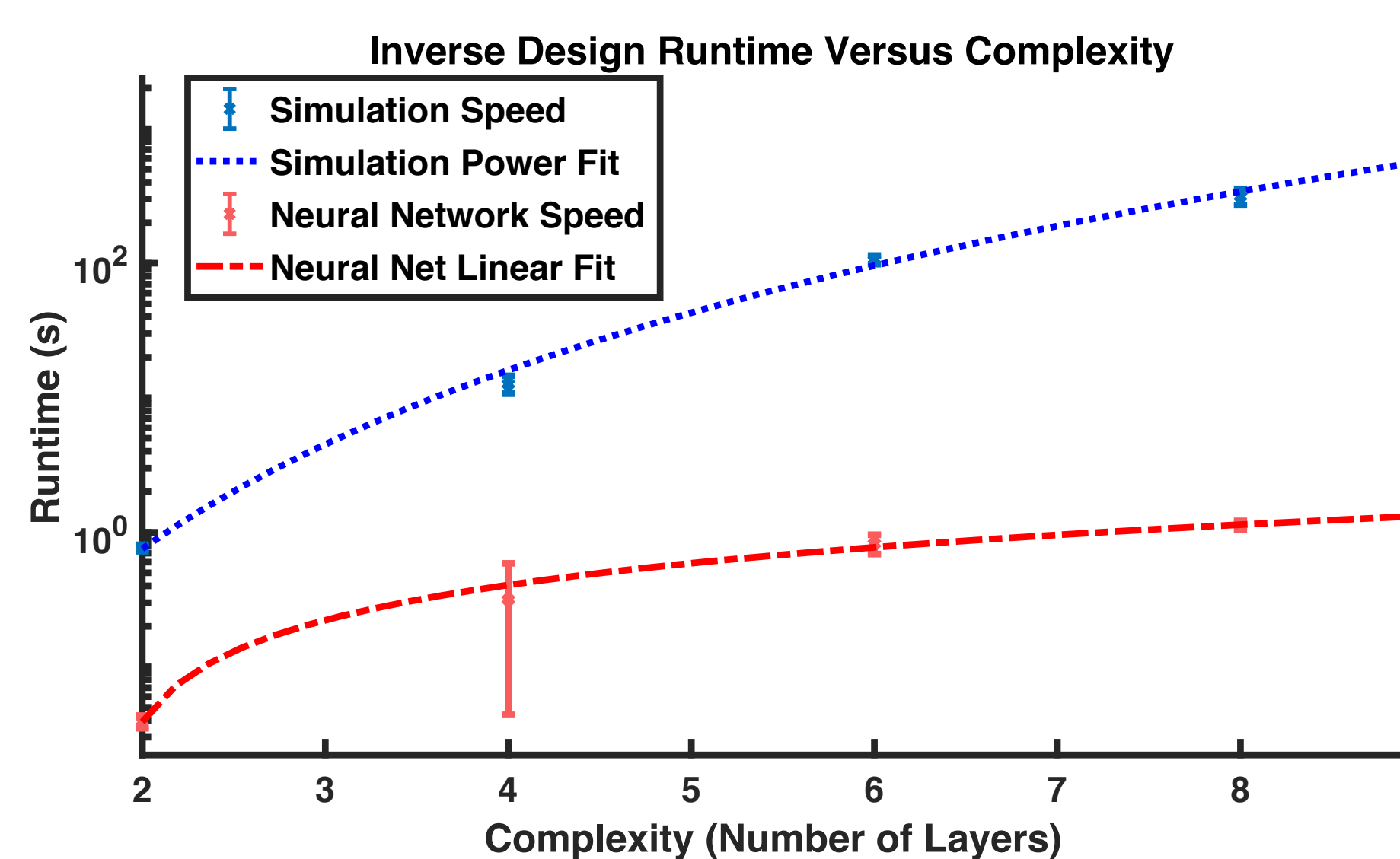
### Exotic Materials: J-Aggregates

- Nanoparticles made with J-Aggregates have sharp resonances.
- Sharper resonances made the spectrums vary greatly
- NN still well-behaved.
  - Trained on same number of examples.
  - Only 3 layer particle
    - Metal, Dielectric, J-Agg



### Inverse-Design Speeds

- Comparing time to reach a desired threshold



### Conclusions

- Demonstrated NN can learn/approximate Maxwell interactions
- Showed NN's can solve Nanophotonic Inverse Design
- Constructed broad-band and specific-wavelength materials.
- Compared the speeds, and suggested that NN can open up previously unsolvable inverse design problems.

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