

# Nuclear data generation by combining machine learning and nuclear reaction models

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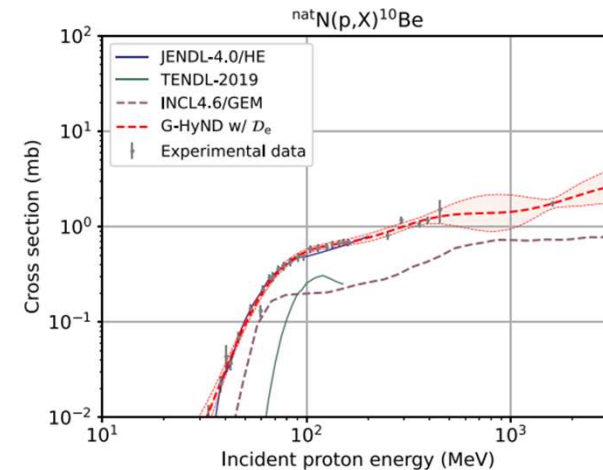
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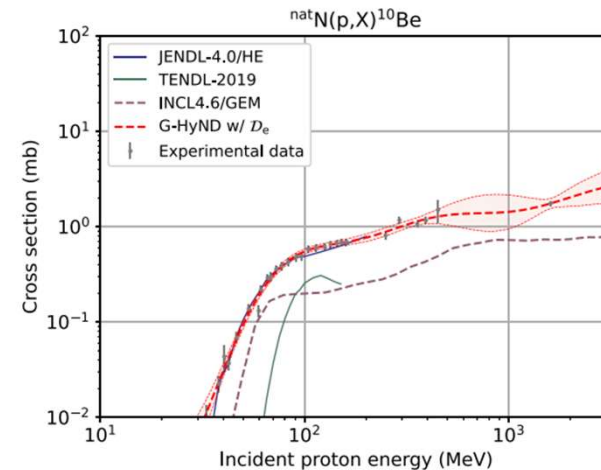
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# Framework 1: Nuclear reaction model

## ◆ Coupled Channel Optical Model

$$\left( \left[ \frac{d^2}{dr^2} - \frac{l_c(l_c+1)}{r^2} + k_c^2 \right] u_c(r) - \sum_{c'} V_{cc'} u_{c'}(r) \right) = 0$$

$u_c$ : Wave function of scattered wave (radial direction)

$c$ : Reaction channel ( $\{l_c, j_c, n_c\}$ )

$V_{cc'}$ : Optical potential (Between  $c$  and  $c'$  channels)

We solve coupled channel equations using CCONE

O. Iwamoto et al., Nucl. Data. Sheets 131, 259 (2016)

(Neutron-Nucleus Scattering)

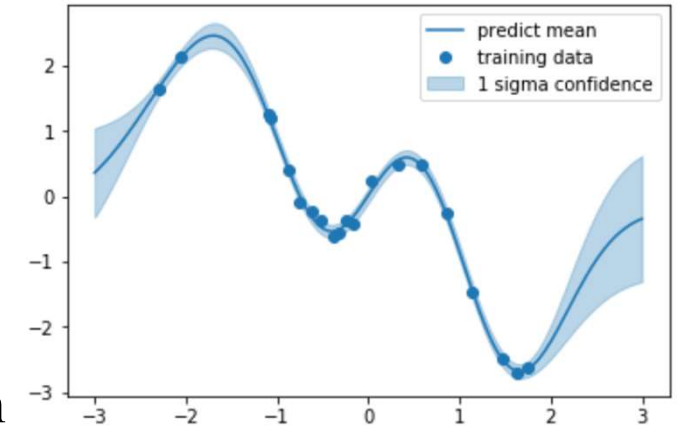
$$V(r) = -v_R(E) \frac{a}{1 + \exp \frac{r-R_R}{a_R}} + [\text{imaginary}] + [\text{LS}]$$

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Optimize the value of  $v_R^0(E)$

# Framework 1: Gaussian process regression

- Gaussian process regression
  - A model that estimates a function  $y = f(x)$  from inputs  $x$  and output  $y$  variables, and find the minimum value of the objective function
- Assuming all inputs-outputs follow a Gaussian distribution and calculating conditional probabilities given training data
- Gaussian process regression has two characteristics
  - No assumption of function form
    - Even Complicated functions can be estimated.
  - Estimation results are given by Gaussian distribution
    - Gives the error of the estimate.



# Framework 1: Bayesian optimization

## ○ Bayesian optimization

A method for finding the input  $x$  that has the minimum value of the function  $y = f(x)$  based on the estimation results of Gaussian process regression

## ○ Objective function describes the deviation between experimental data and theoretical calculation.

$$\frac{1}{data} \sum_{data} \left( \frac{\sigma_{exp}^{(i)}}{\Delta \sigma_{exp}^{(i)}} \log_{10} \frac{\sigma_{th}^{(i)}(x)}{\sigma_{exp}^{(i)}} \right)^2$$

## ○ Determine the potential parameters $x$ to minimize the Objective function $y$ .

$x$  :Parameter of optical potential

$y$  :Evaluation function

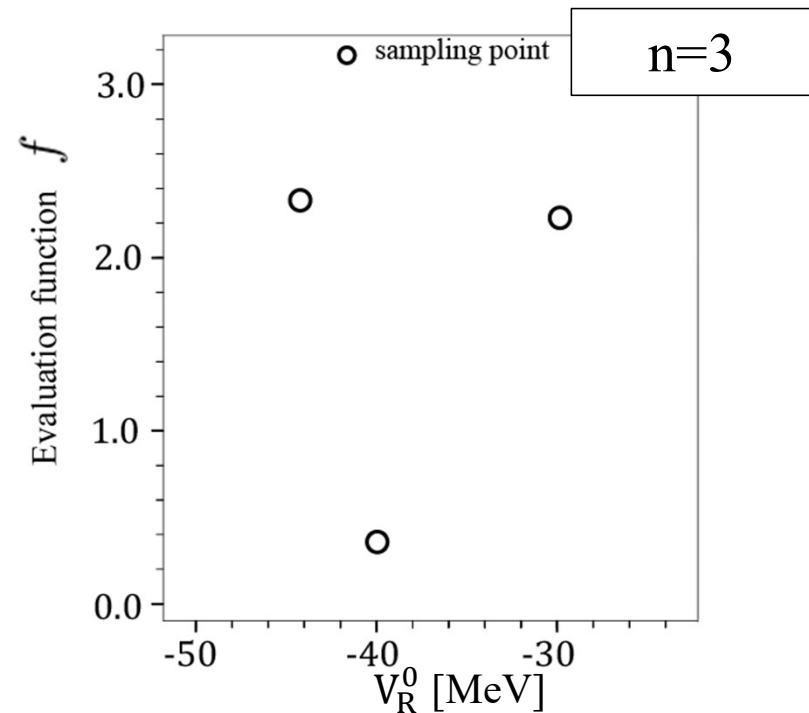
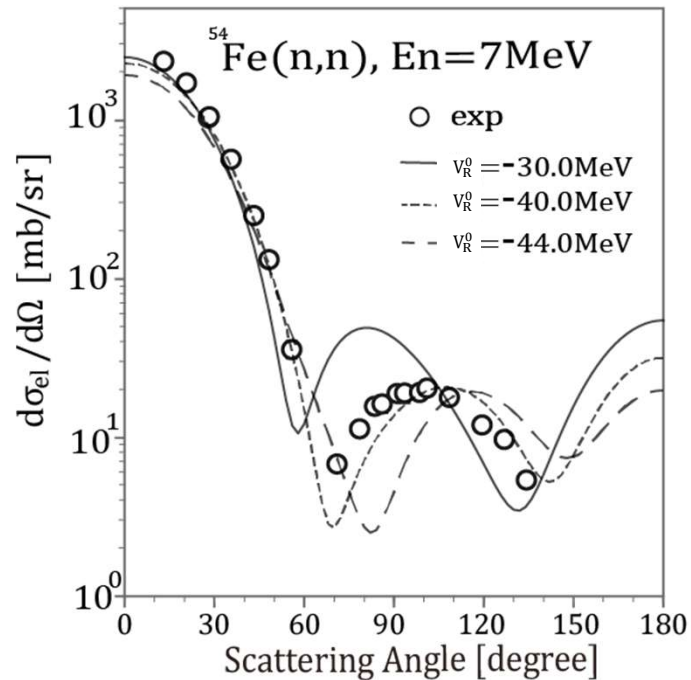
We use GPyOpt as Library of Gaussian process regression

<https://sheffieldml.github.io/GPyOpt/>

# Result 1: An Example of optimization by machine learning

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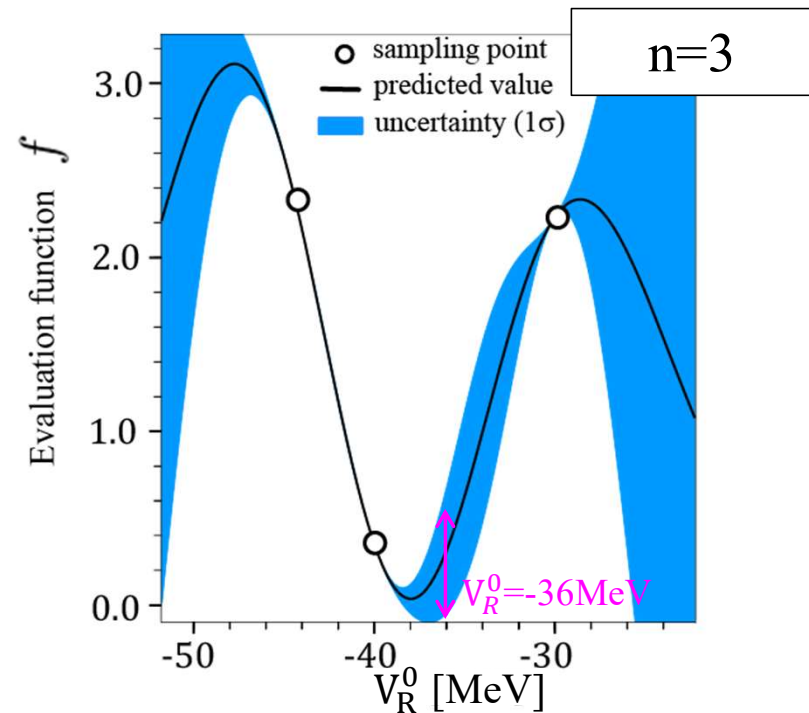
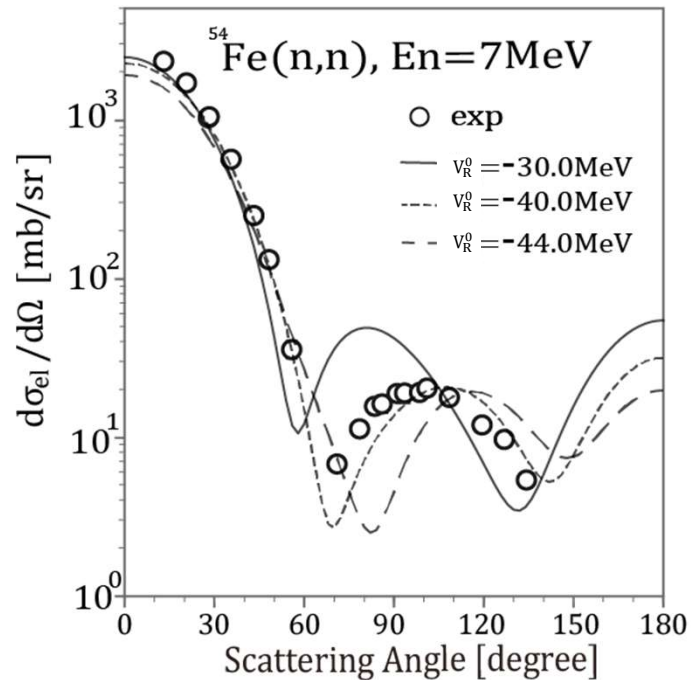
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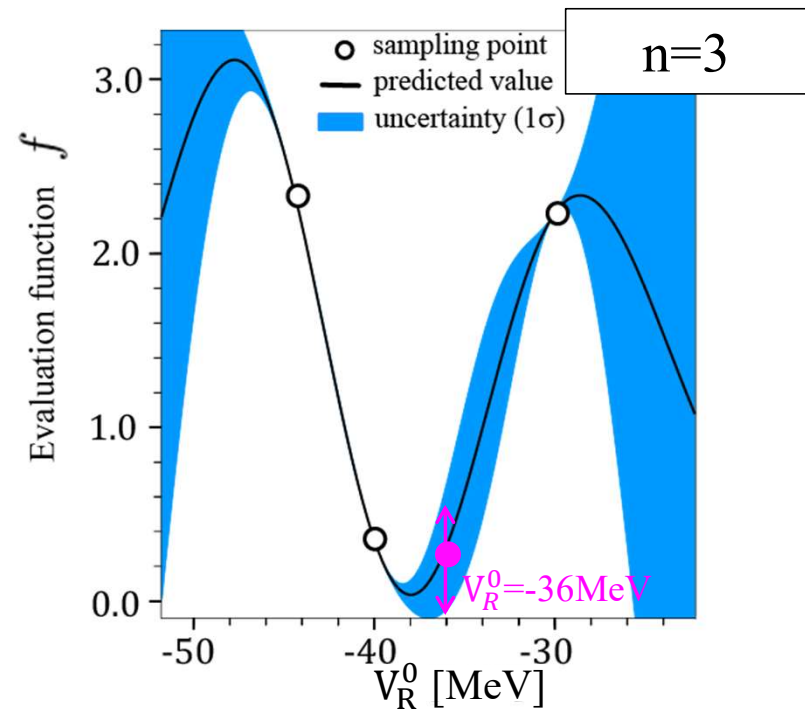
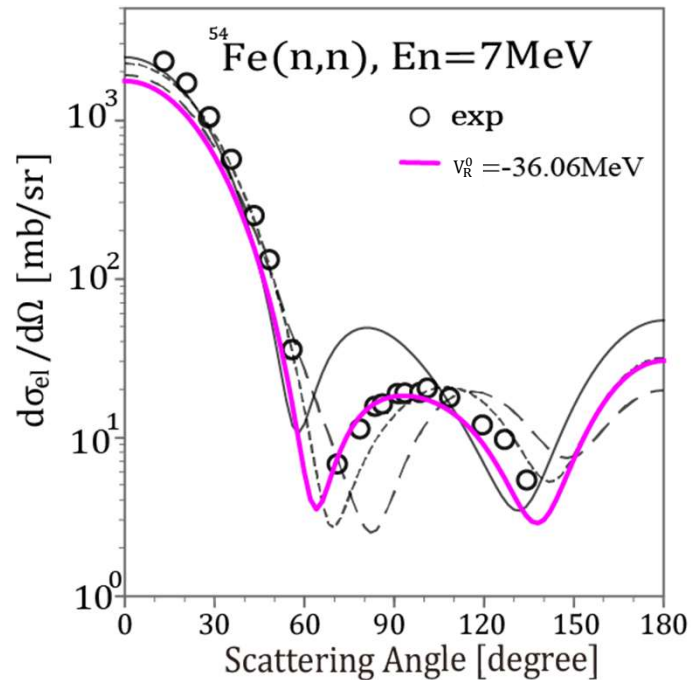




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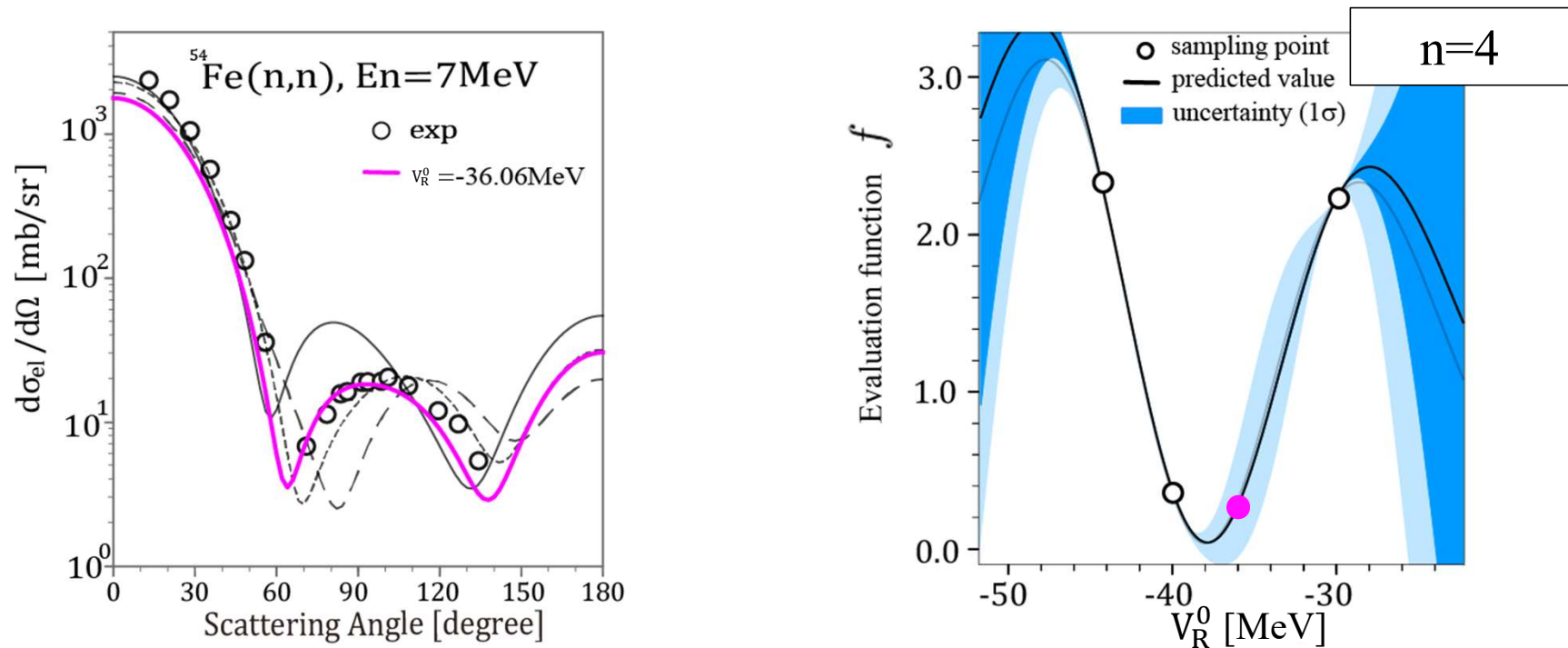
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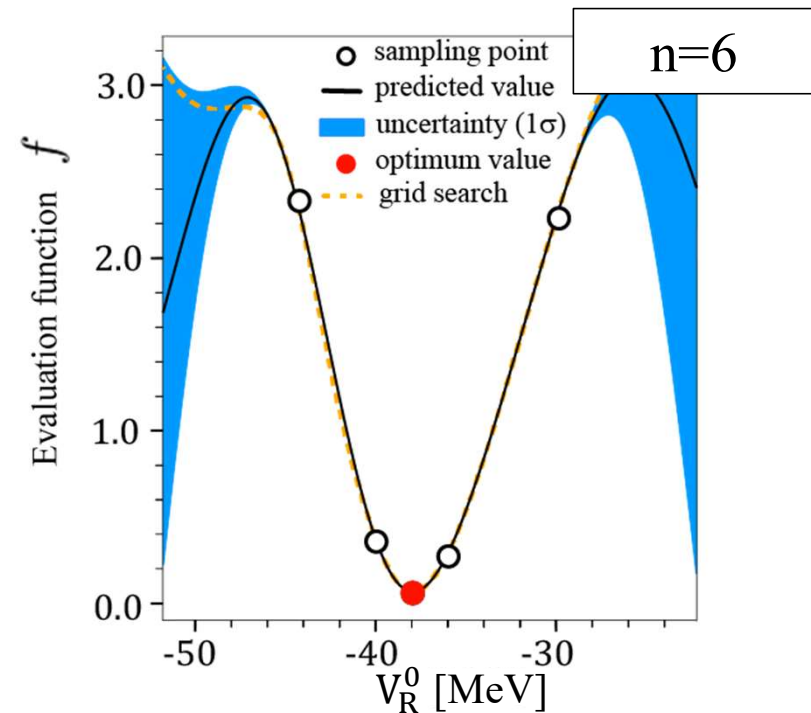
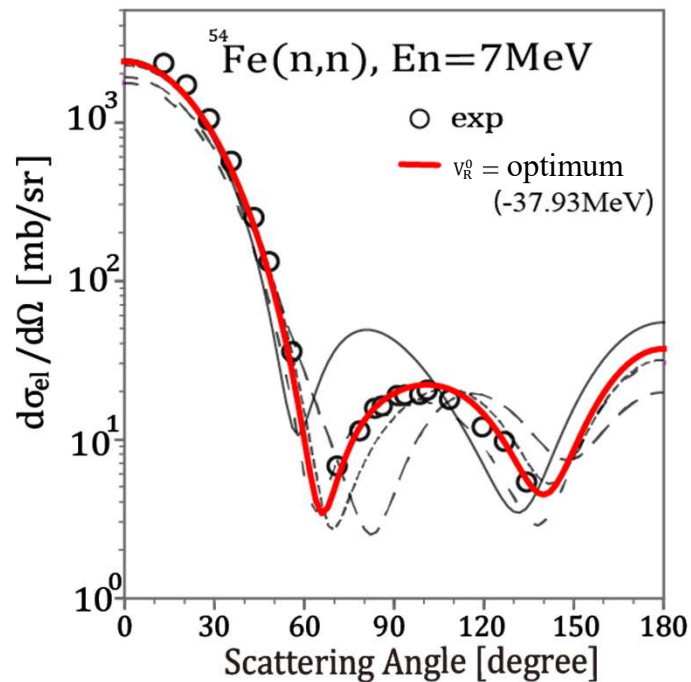
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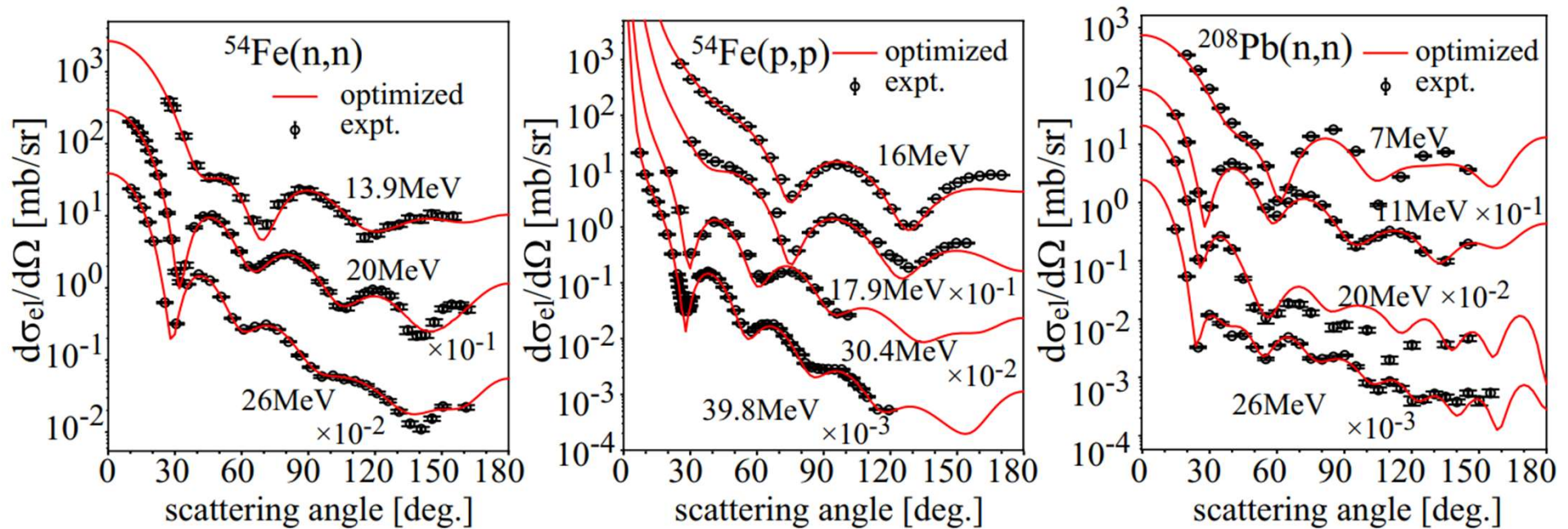
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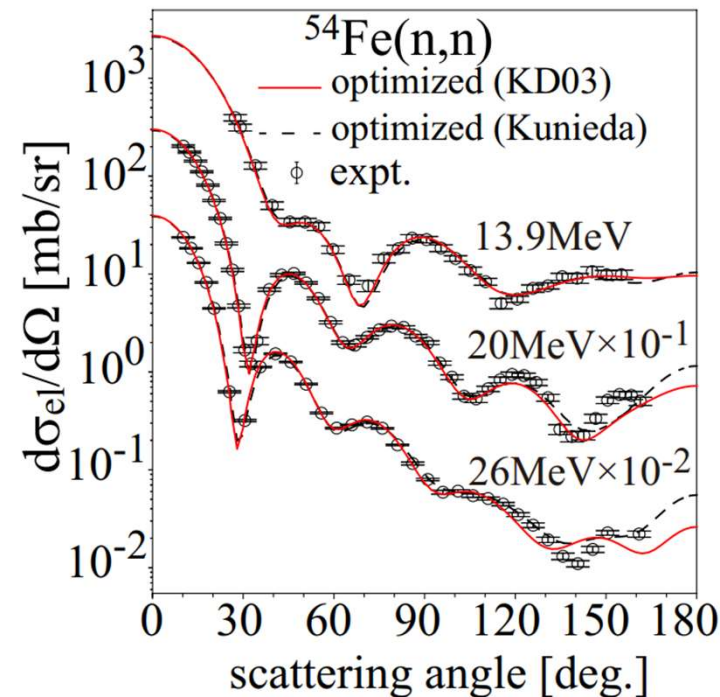
The cross section calculated using obtained  $\nu_R$  in this way is as follows. Experimental values are reproduced with sufficient accuracy even for different target nuclei and incident particles.



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Another model. (only to the depth of the central force part of KD03)

The optimal cross sections are slightly different due to different default values for the model and other parameters. In any case, experimental values are reproduced with sufficient accuracy.



## Next motivation

This method can be used to find the optimal value at an energy for which experimental values are available

Conversely, it is not possible to estimate optimal values at energies for which there are no experimental values

The functional form of  $v_R(E)$  is phenomenologically and empirically determined

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$$v_R(E) = V_R^0 + V_R^1(E - E_f) + V_R^2(E - E_f)^2 + V_R^3(E - E_f)^3 + V_R^{DISP} \exp^{-\lambda_R(E - E_f)}$$

A. J. Koning and J. P. Delaroche, Nucl. Phys. A. 713, 231-310 (2003)

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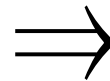
Using Gaussian process regression, it may be possible to estimate optimal values at arbitrary energies without assuming a functional form.

## Framework 2: Research Procedure

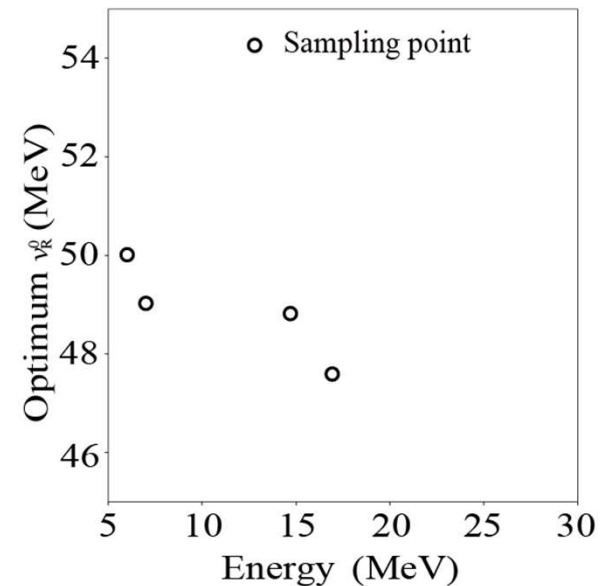
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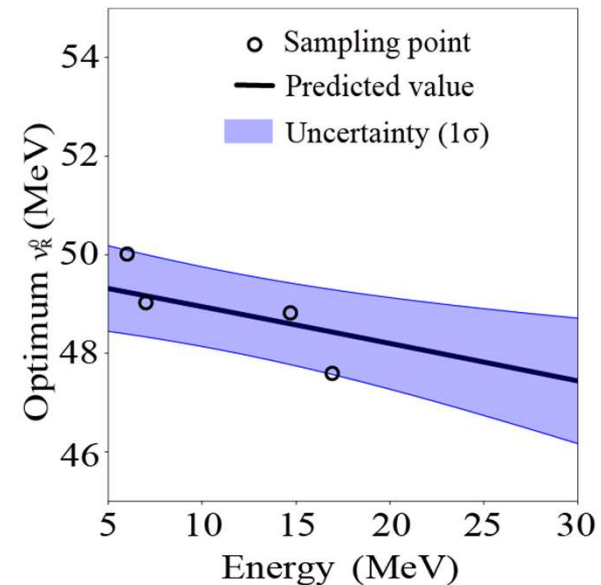
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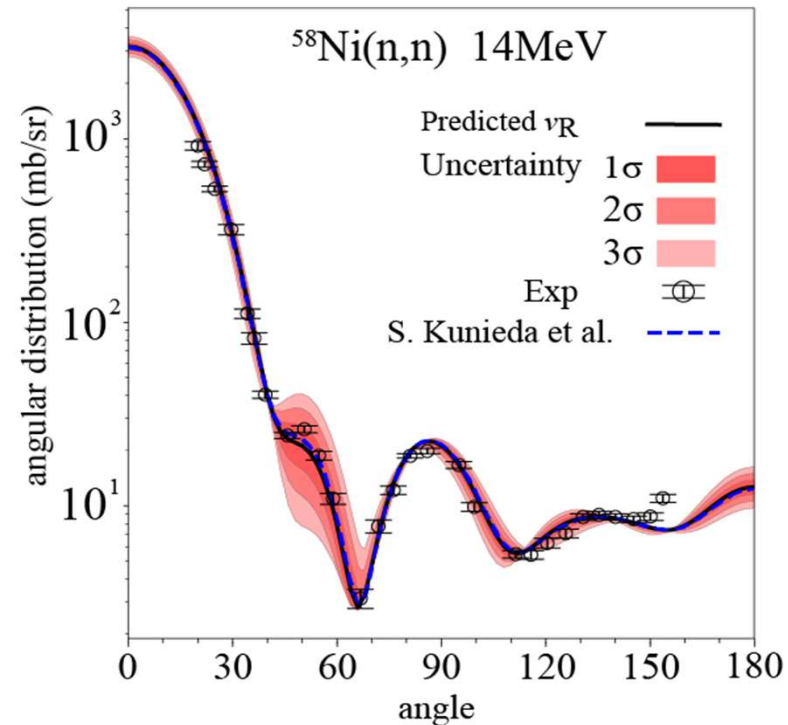
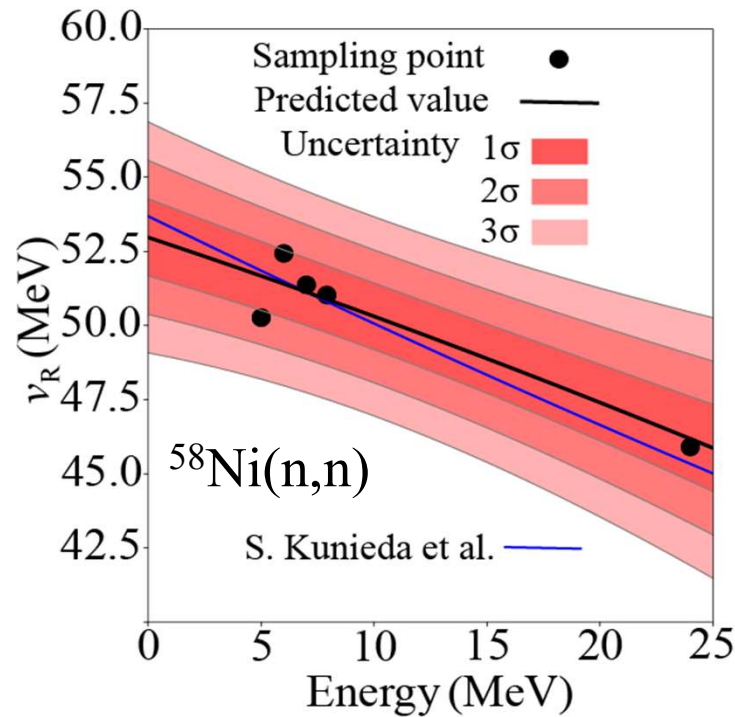
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## Result 2: $^{58}\text{Ni}(n,n)$ cross section

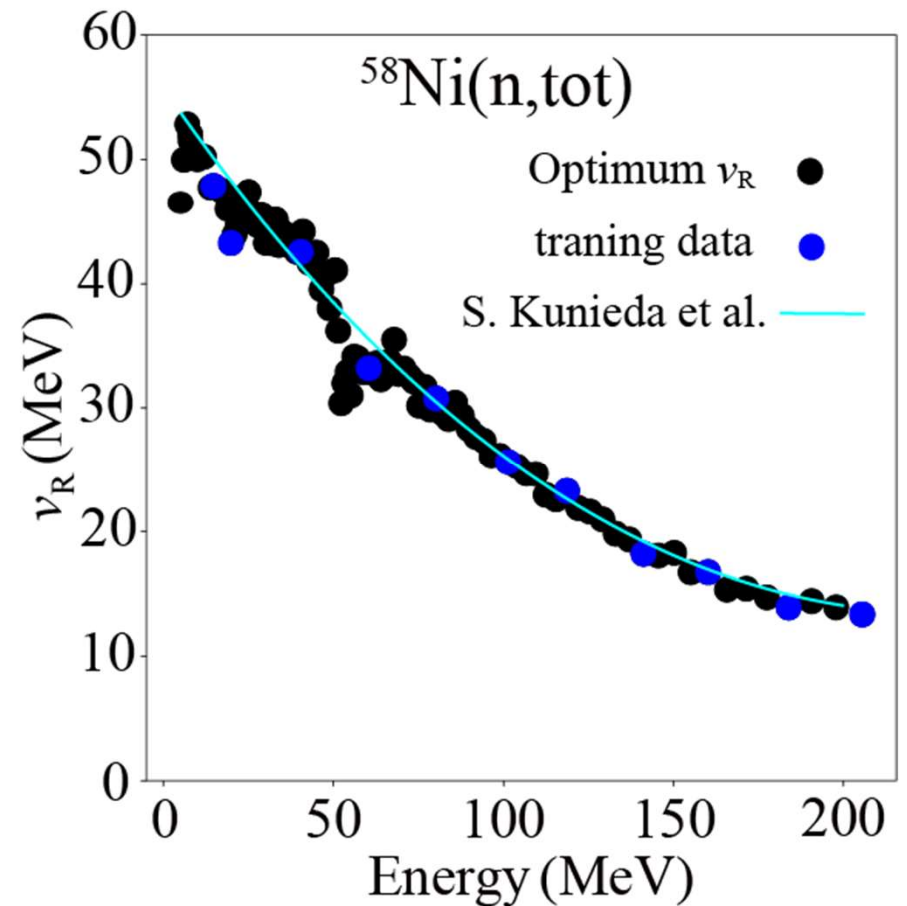
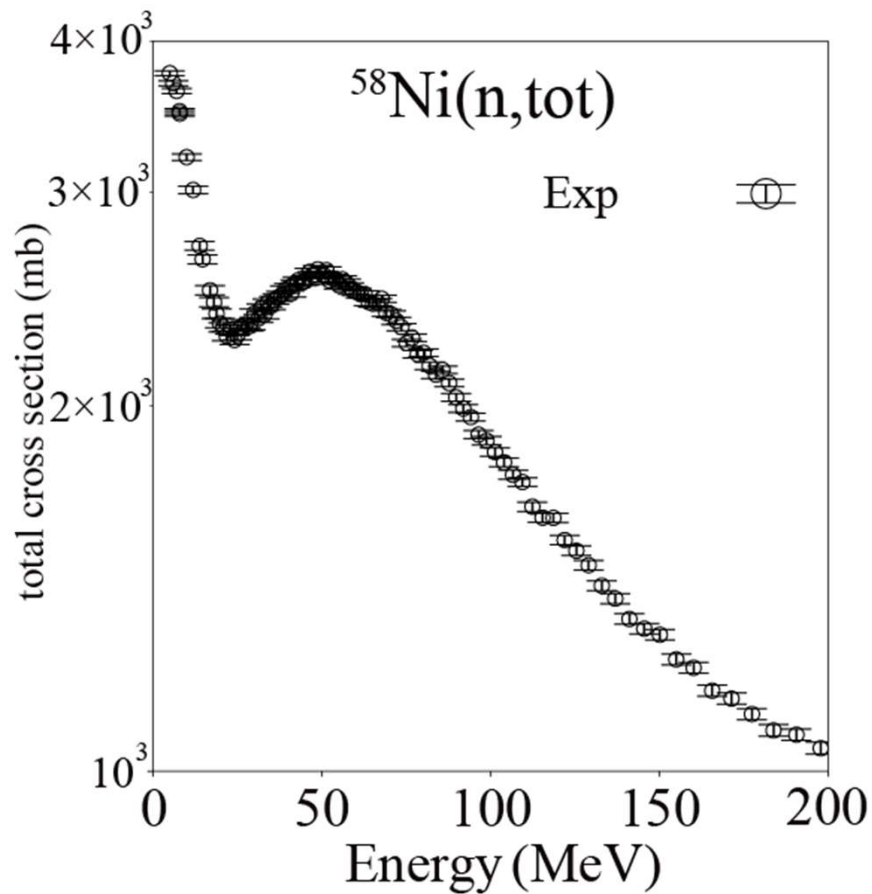
- ◆ Gaussian process regression given as training data the optimal value of  $\nu_R$  that reproduces the experimental data



- ◆ Angular distribution of  $^{58}\text{Ni}(n,n)$  calculated with CCONE using the estimated value of  $\nu_R$  Reproduces the experimental data, showing that the sensitivity is large around  $50^\circ$ .

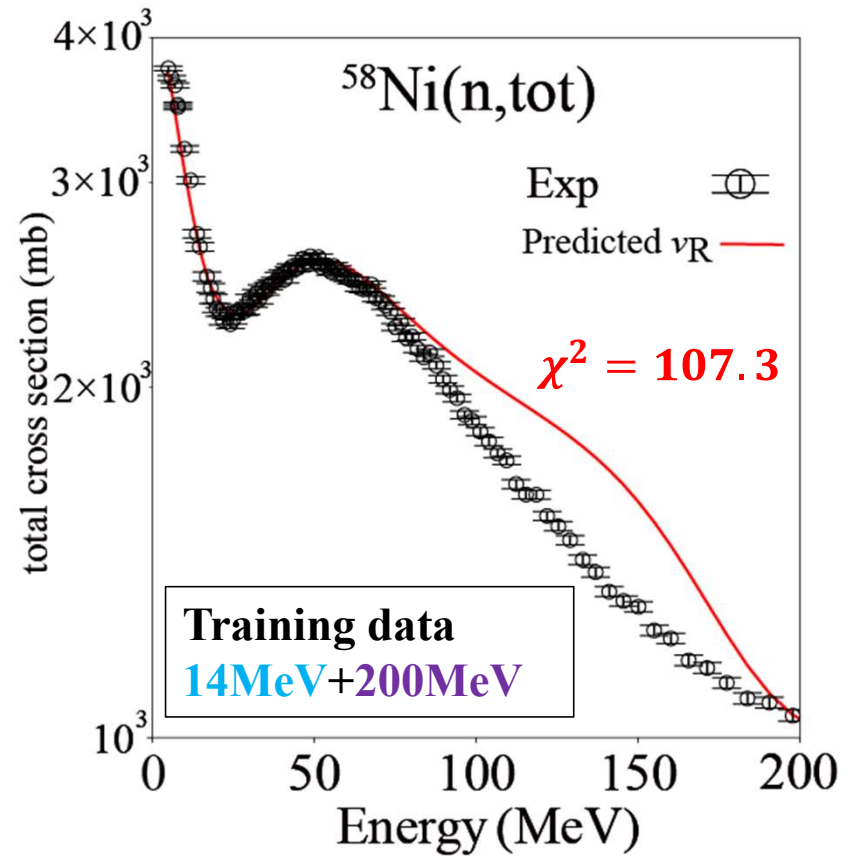
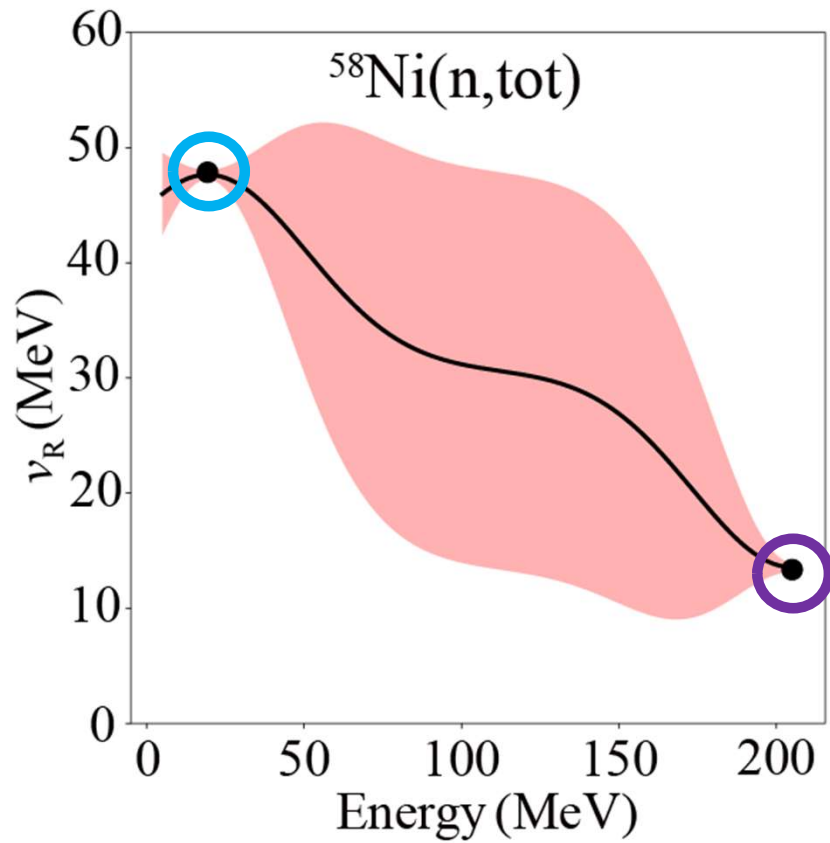
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- ◆ The optimum value of  $\nu_R$  for  $^{58}\text{Ni}(n,\text{tot})$  was estimated using the training data



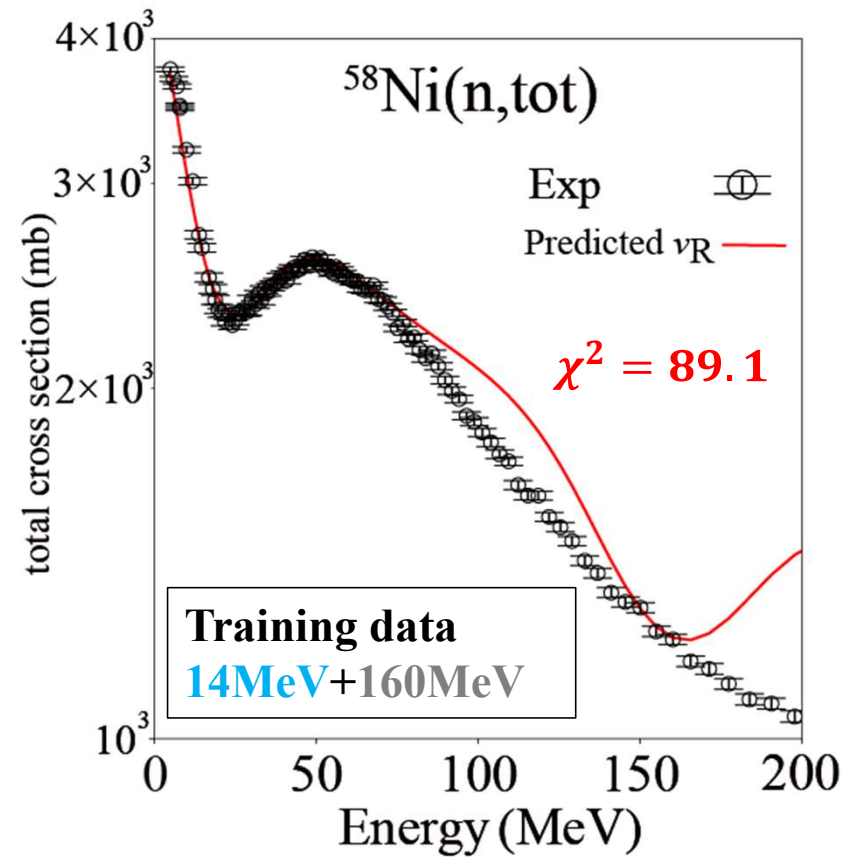
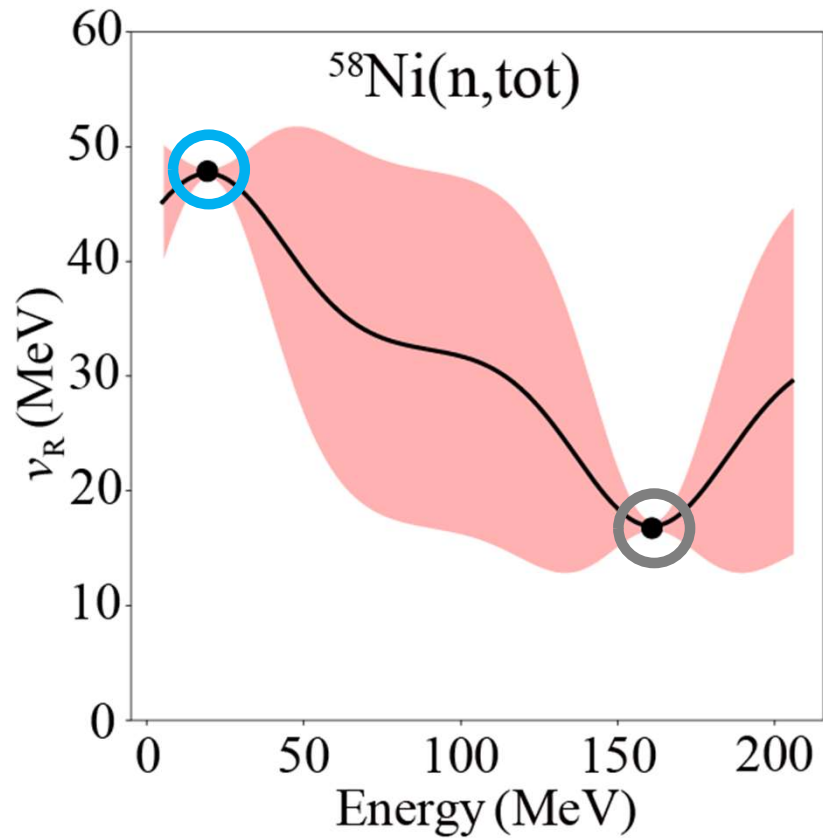
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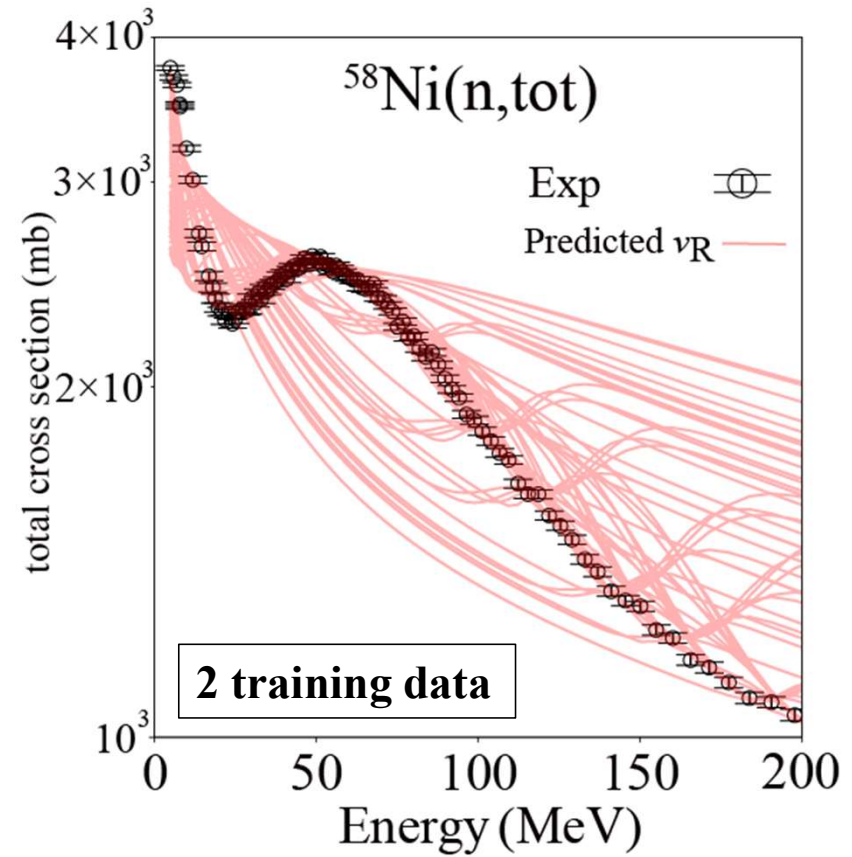
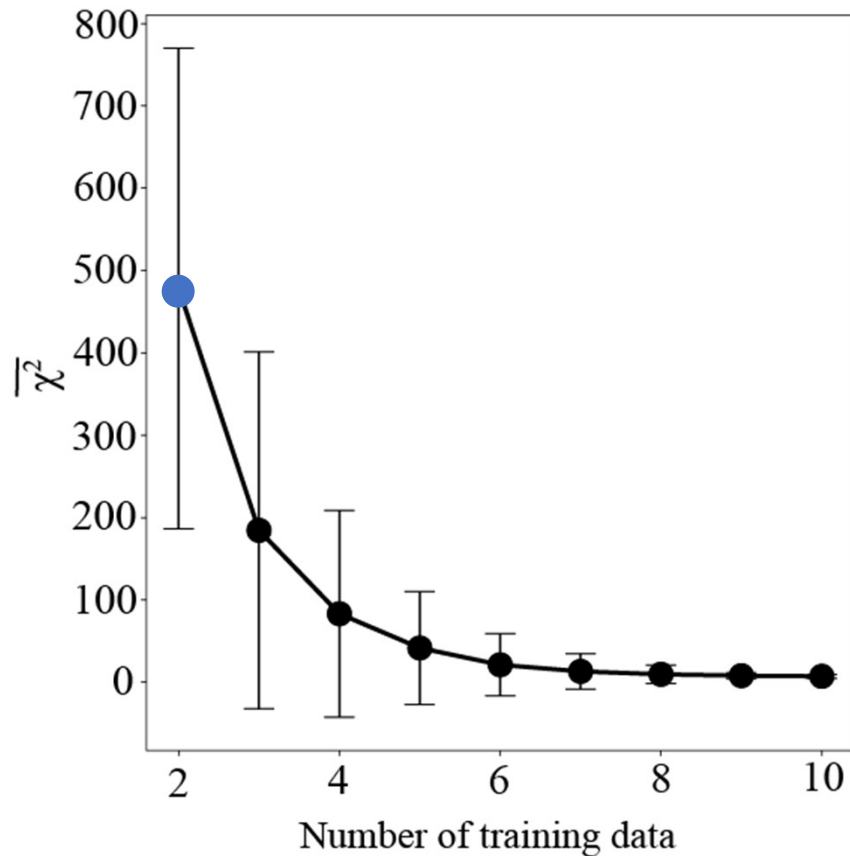
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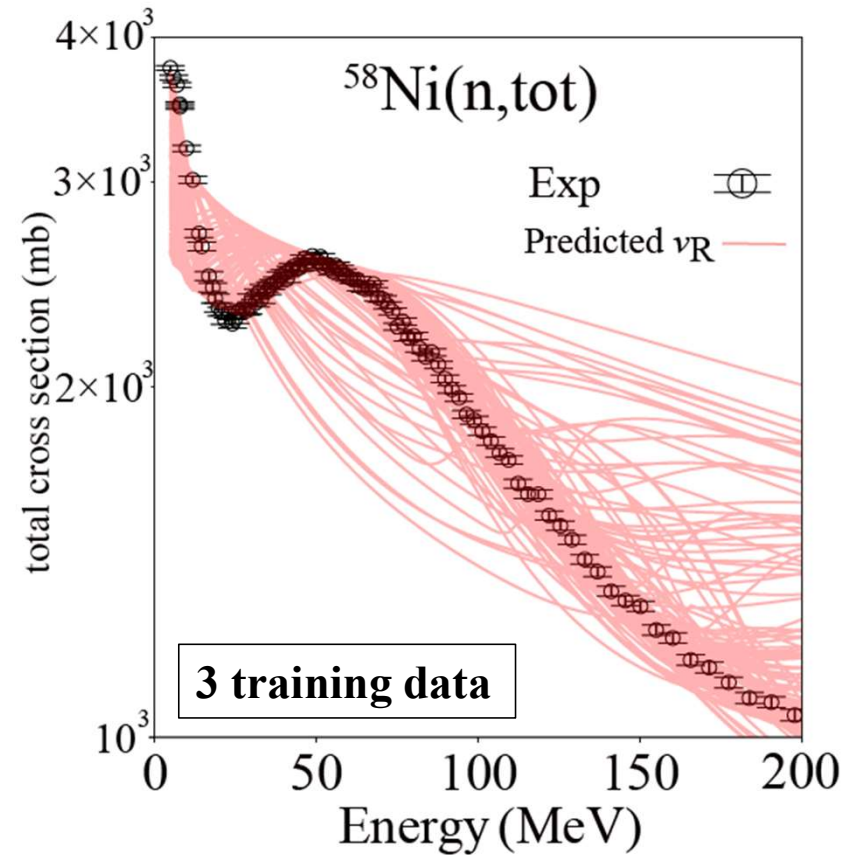
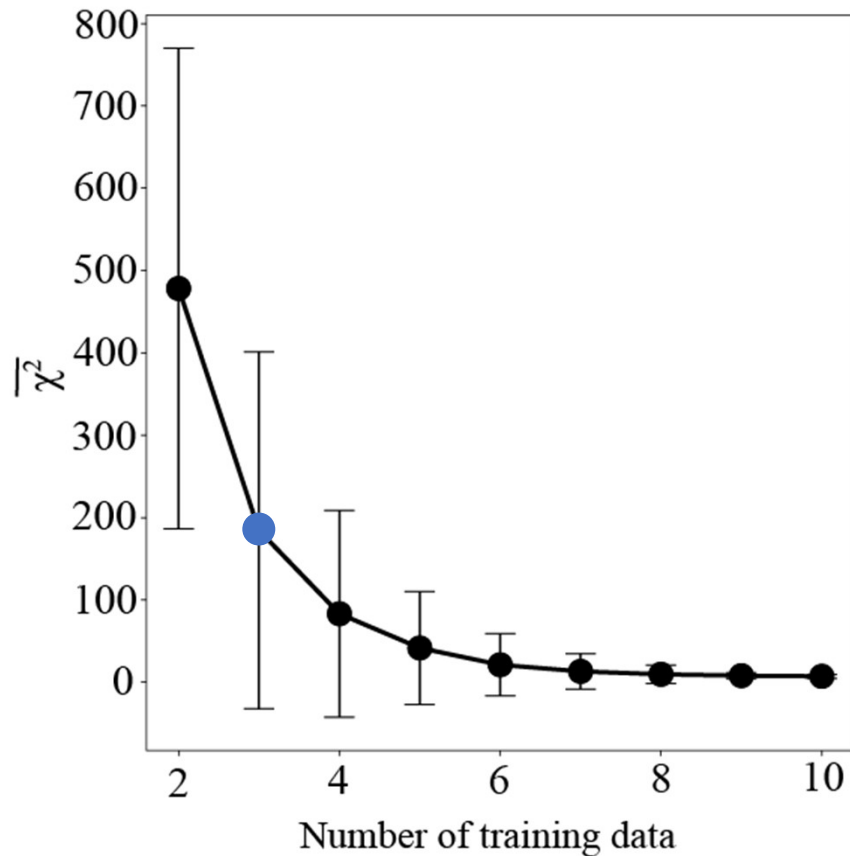
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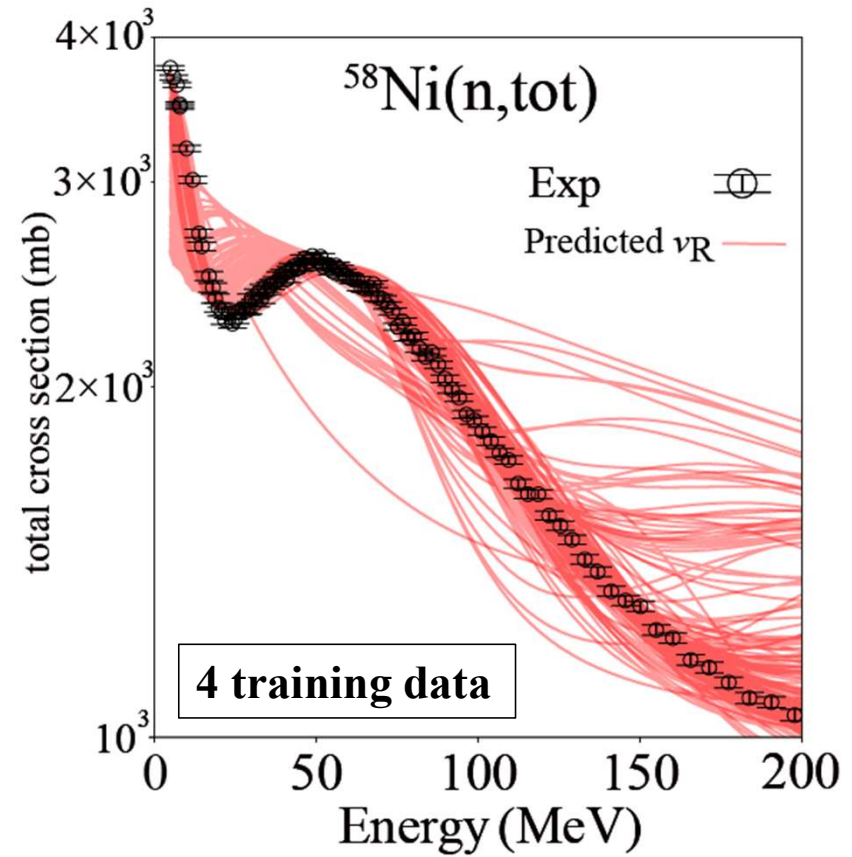
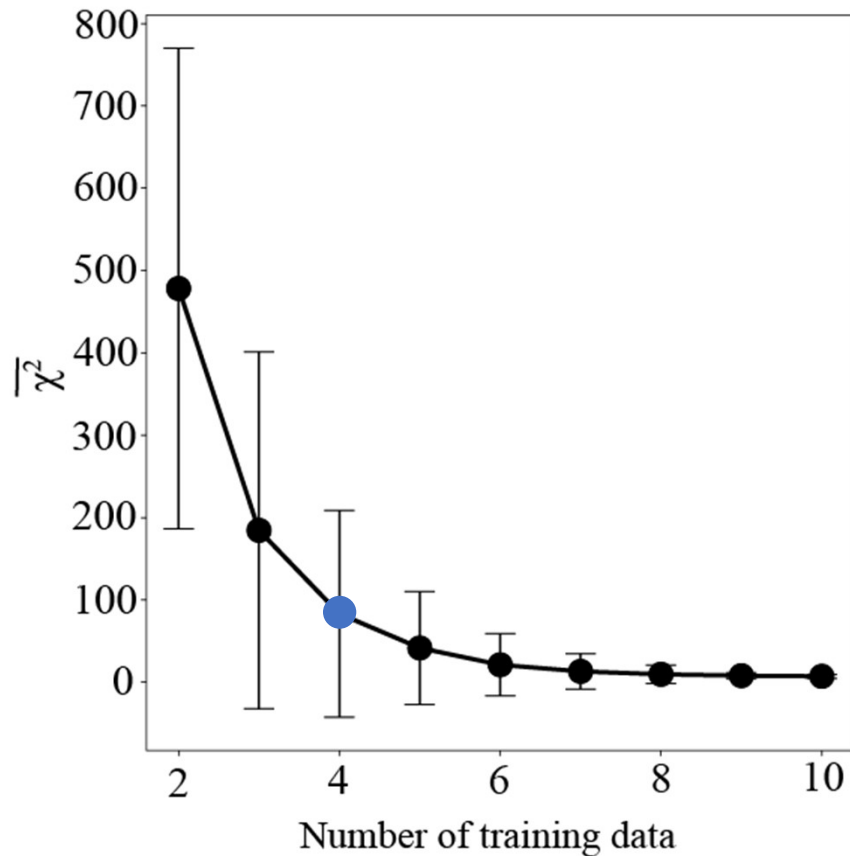
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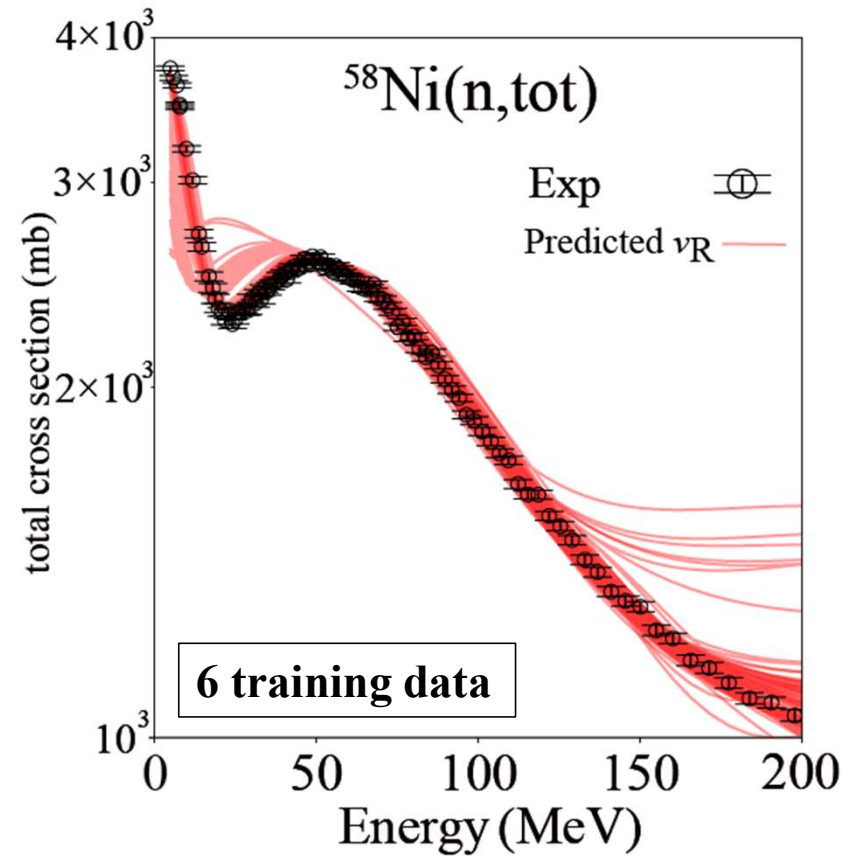
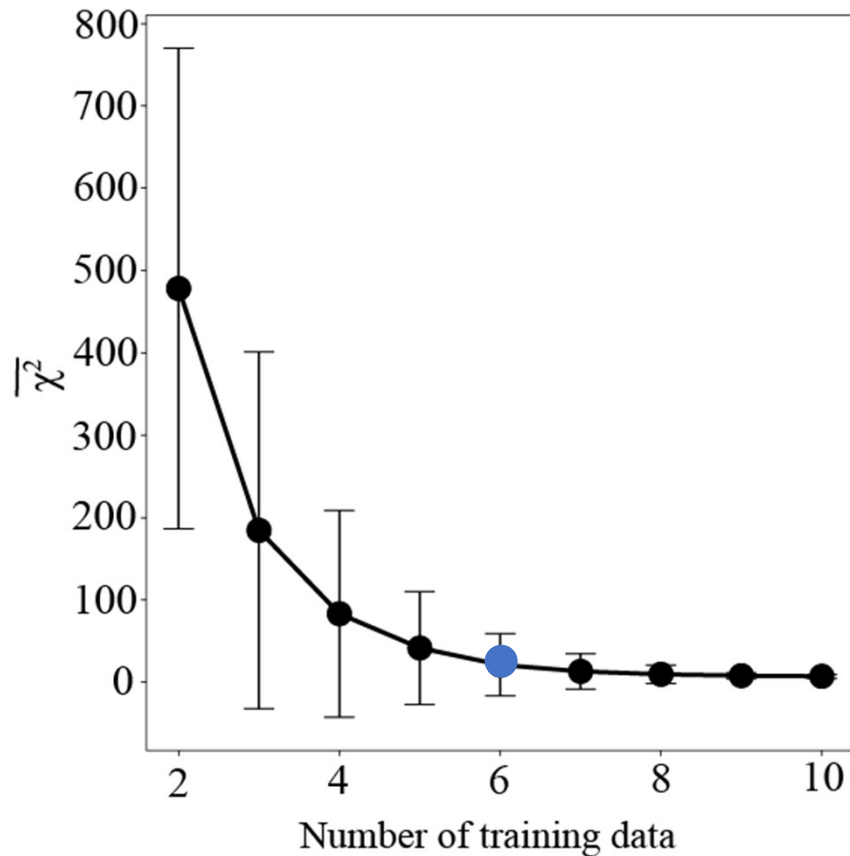
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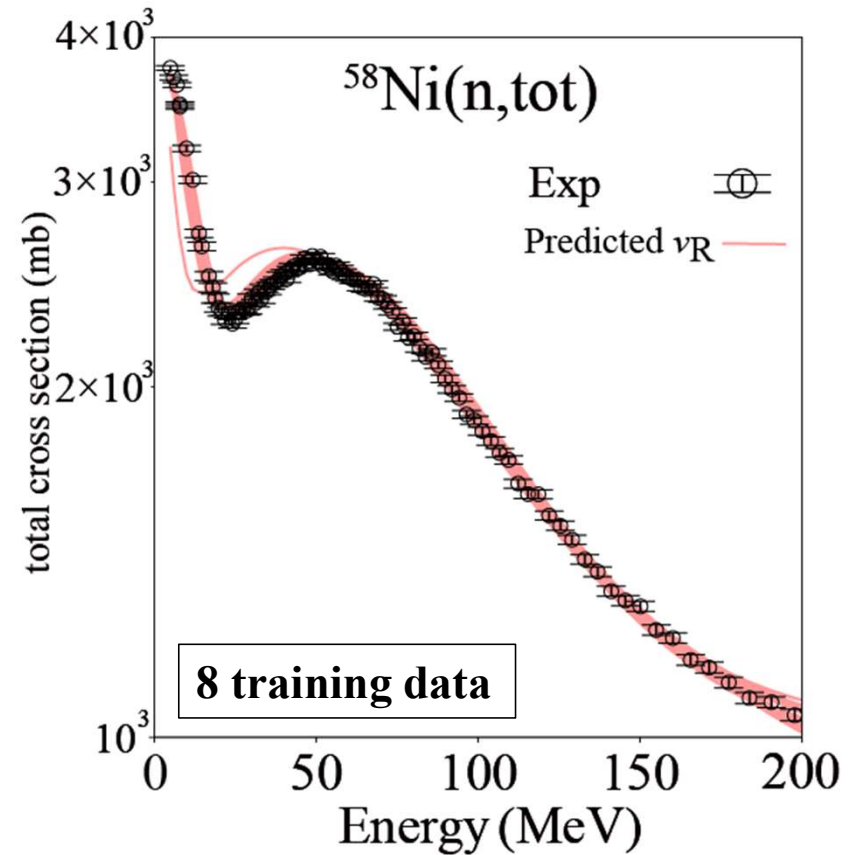
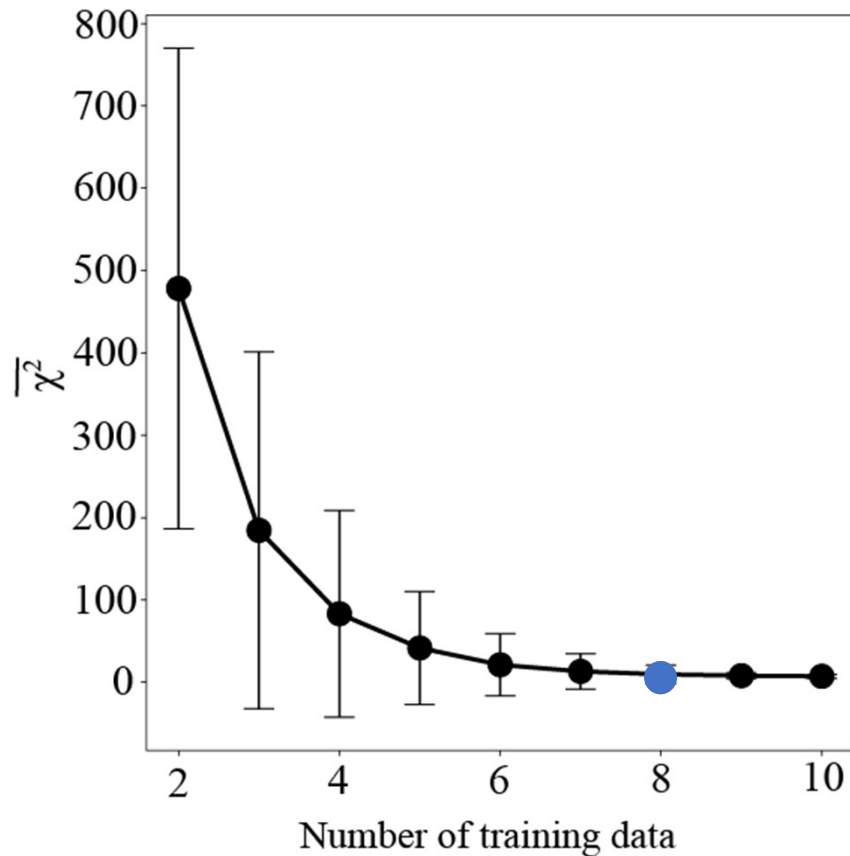
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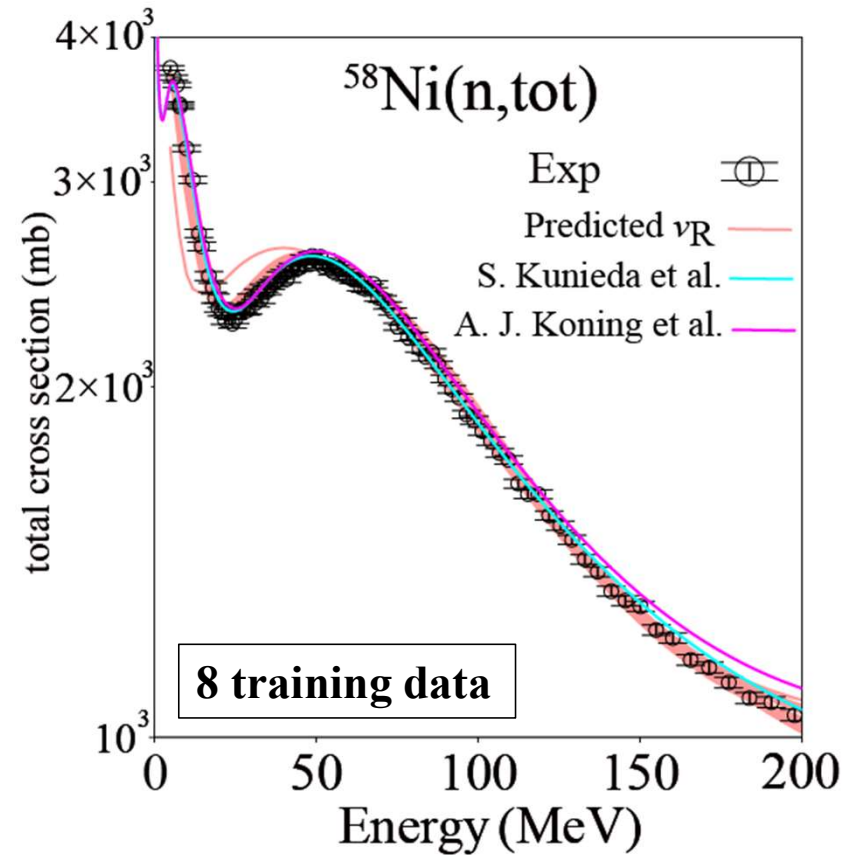
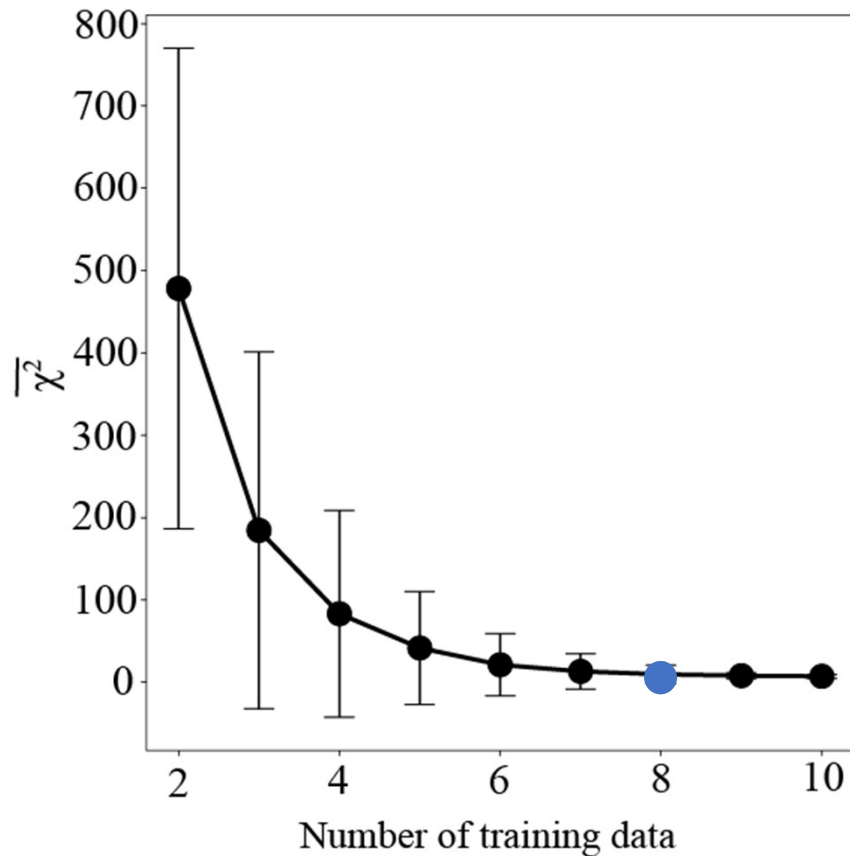
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- ◆ No matter how the training data was taken, with 8 points, the cross section could be reproduced with the same accuracy as S. Kunieda and A. J. Koning



## Summary & Future work

- Combining machine learning and nuclear reaction models to find the optimum value of  $\nu_R(E)$  that reproduces the experimental data
- By using the obtained optimum value as training data, the optimum value of  $\nu_R(E)$  at any energy could be obtained
- By estimating  $\nu_R(E)$  with more than 7 training data, we were able to reproduce the cross section with the same accuracy as S. Kunieda and A. J. Koning
- Future work will also aim to estimate multiple dependencies of a large number of parameters