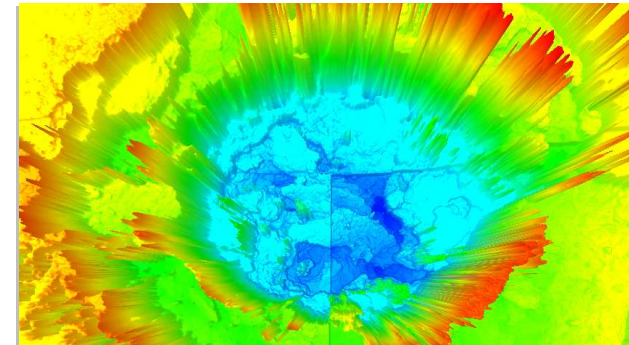
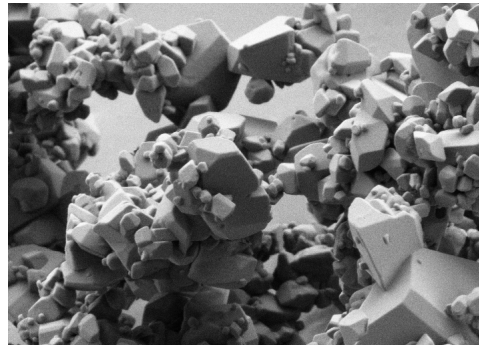


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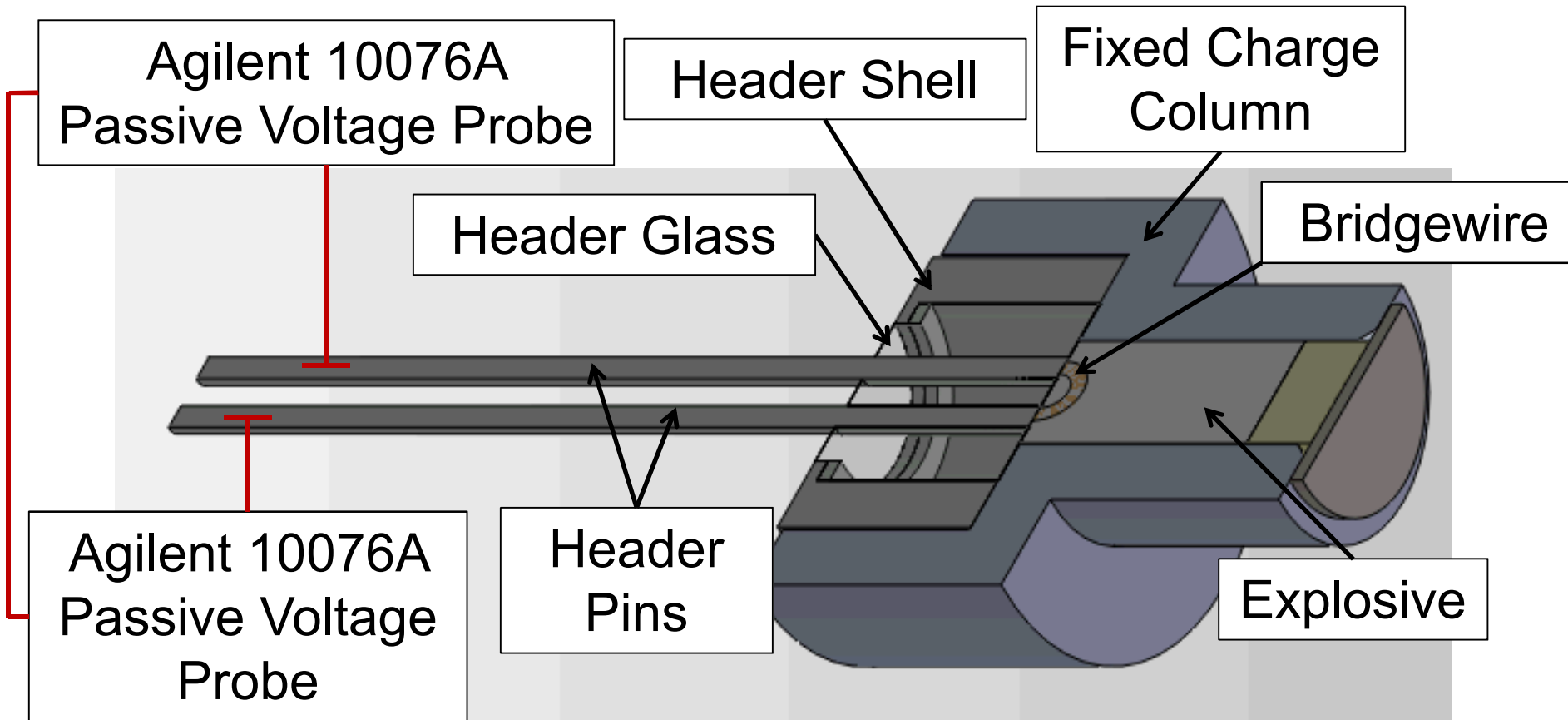
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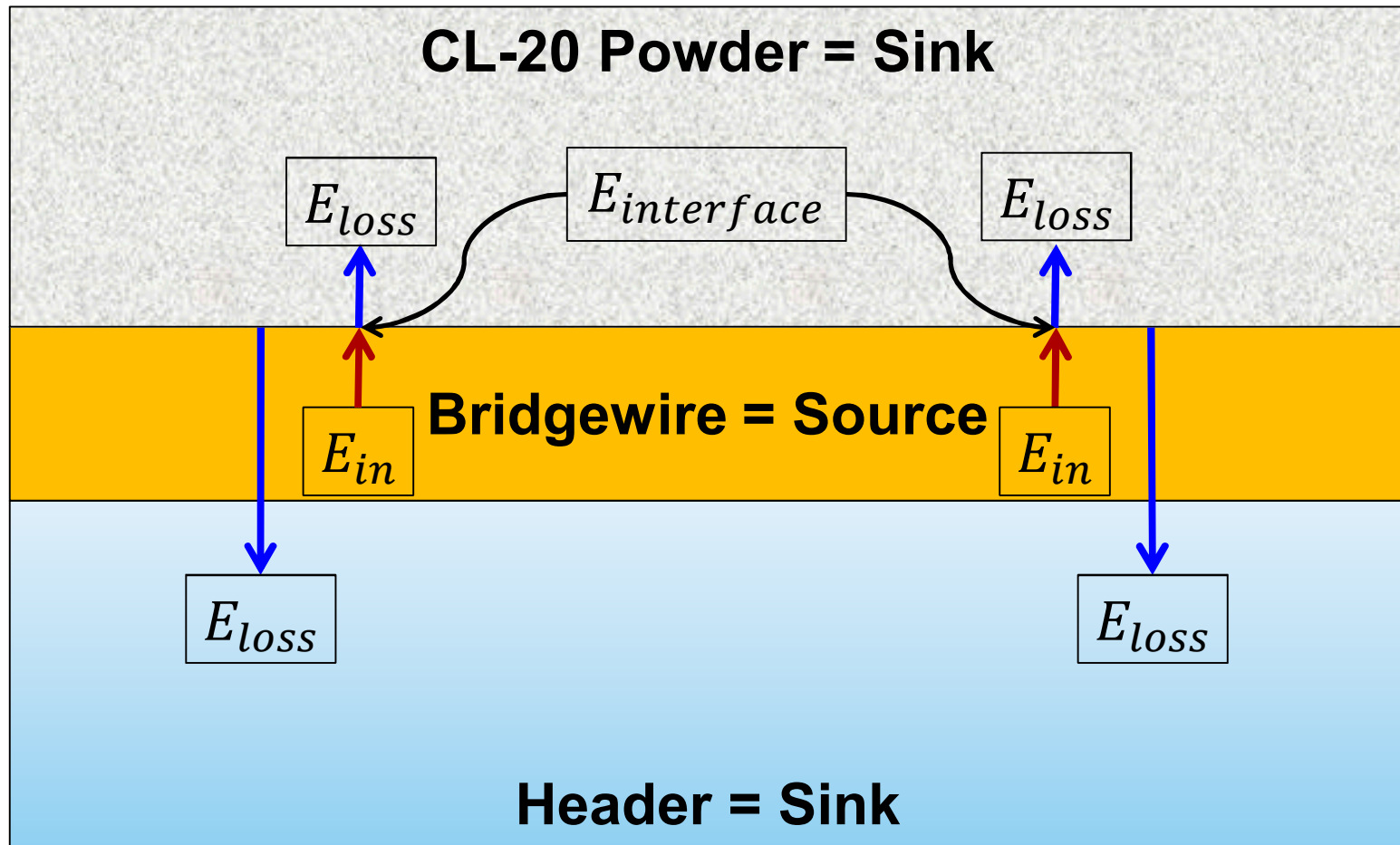


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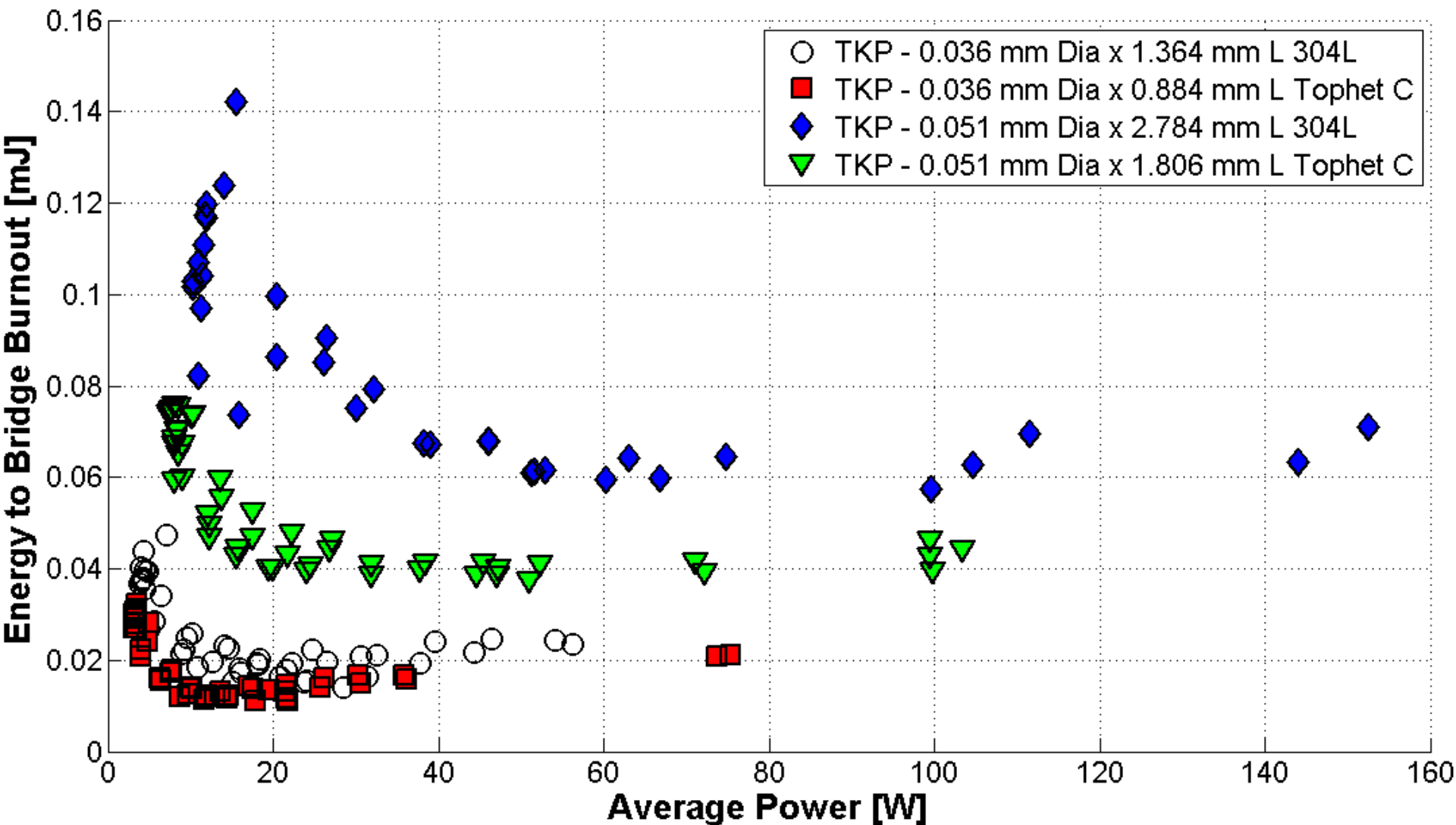
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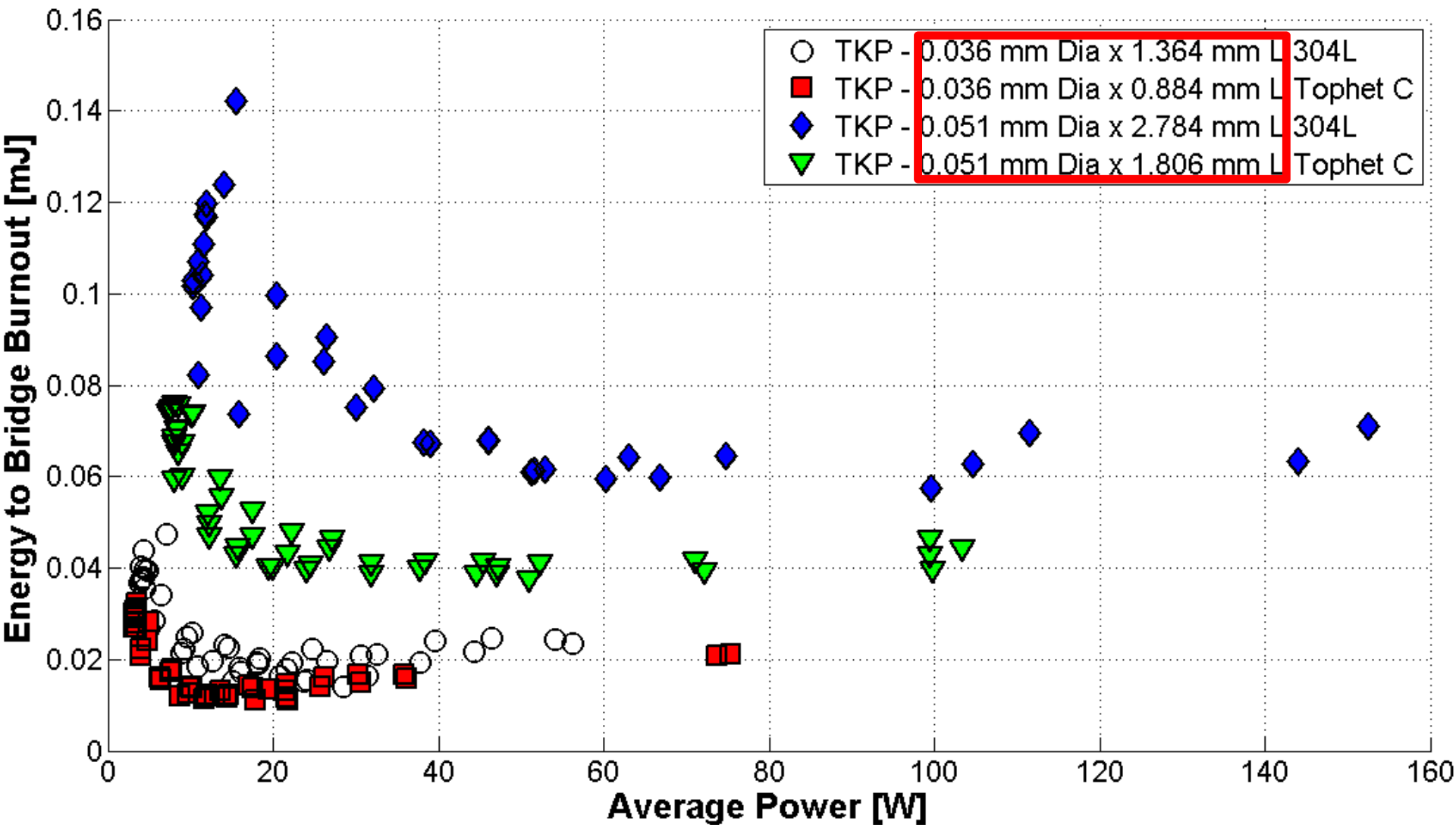
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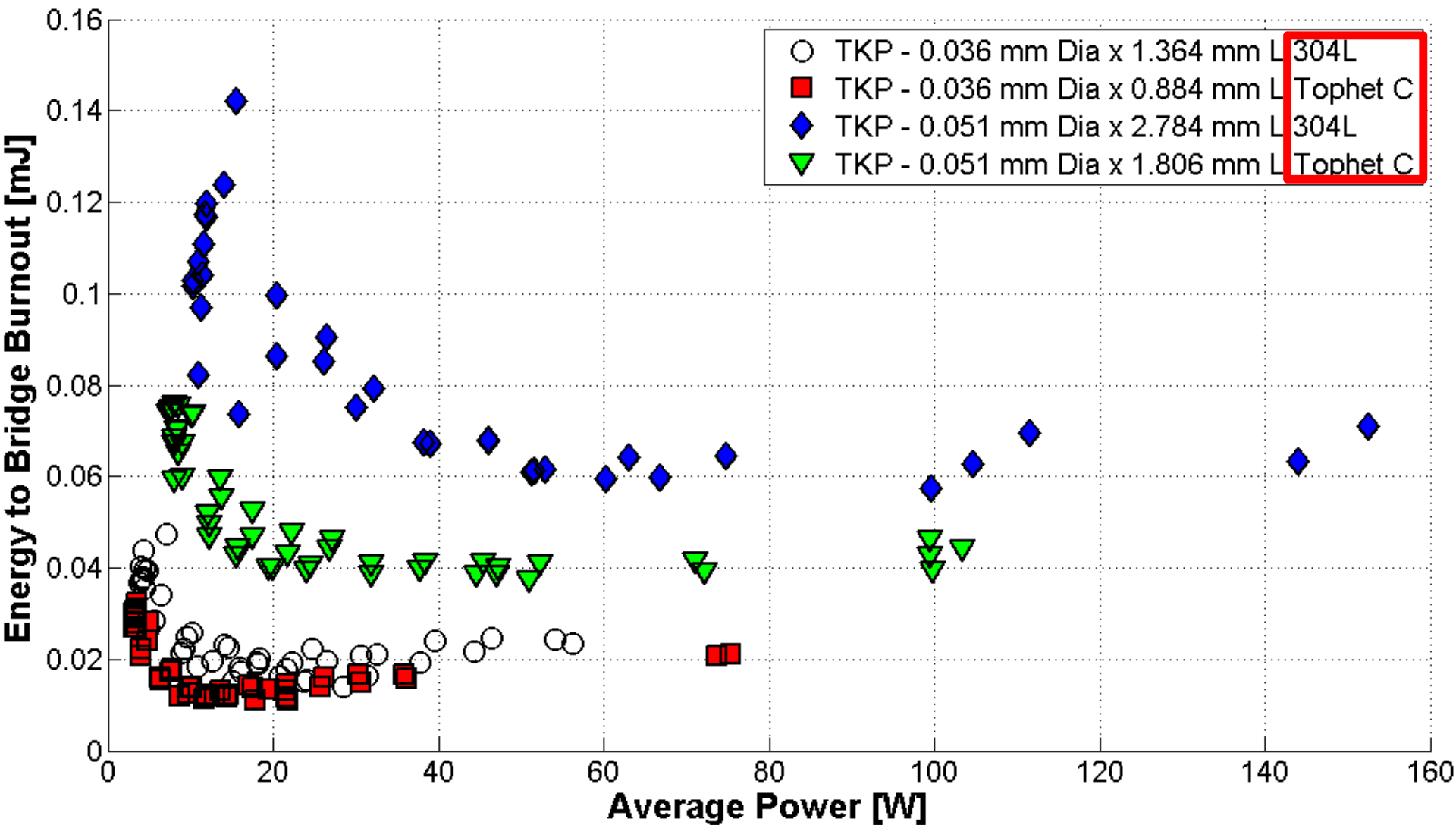
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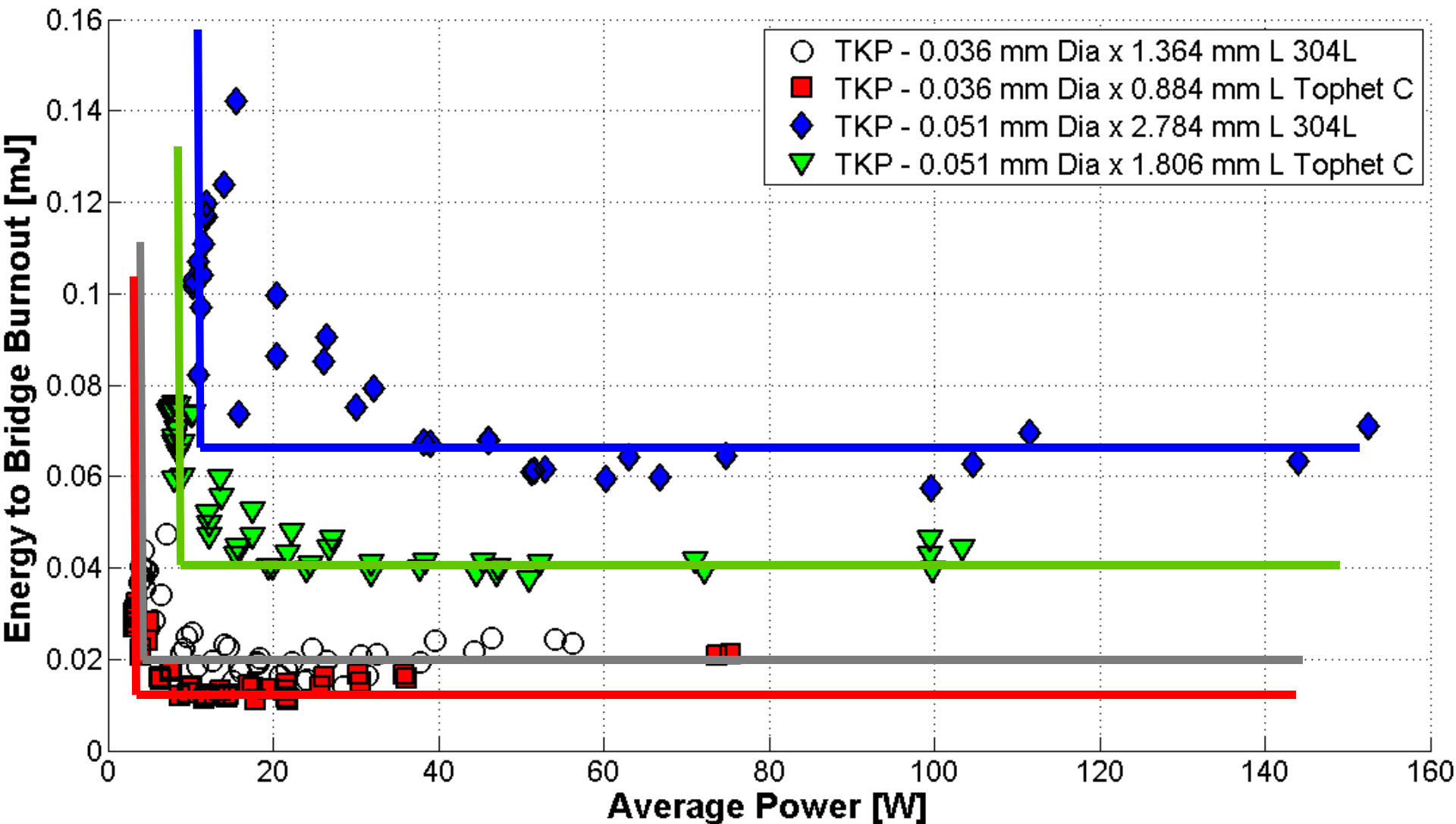
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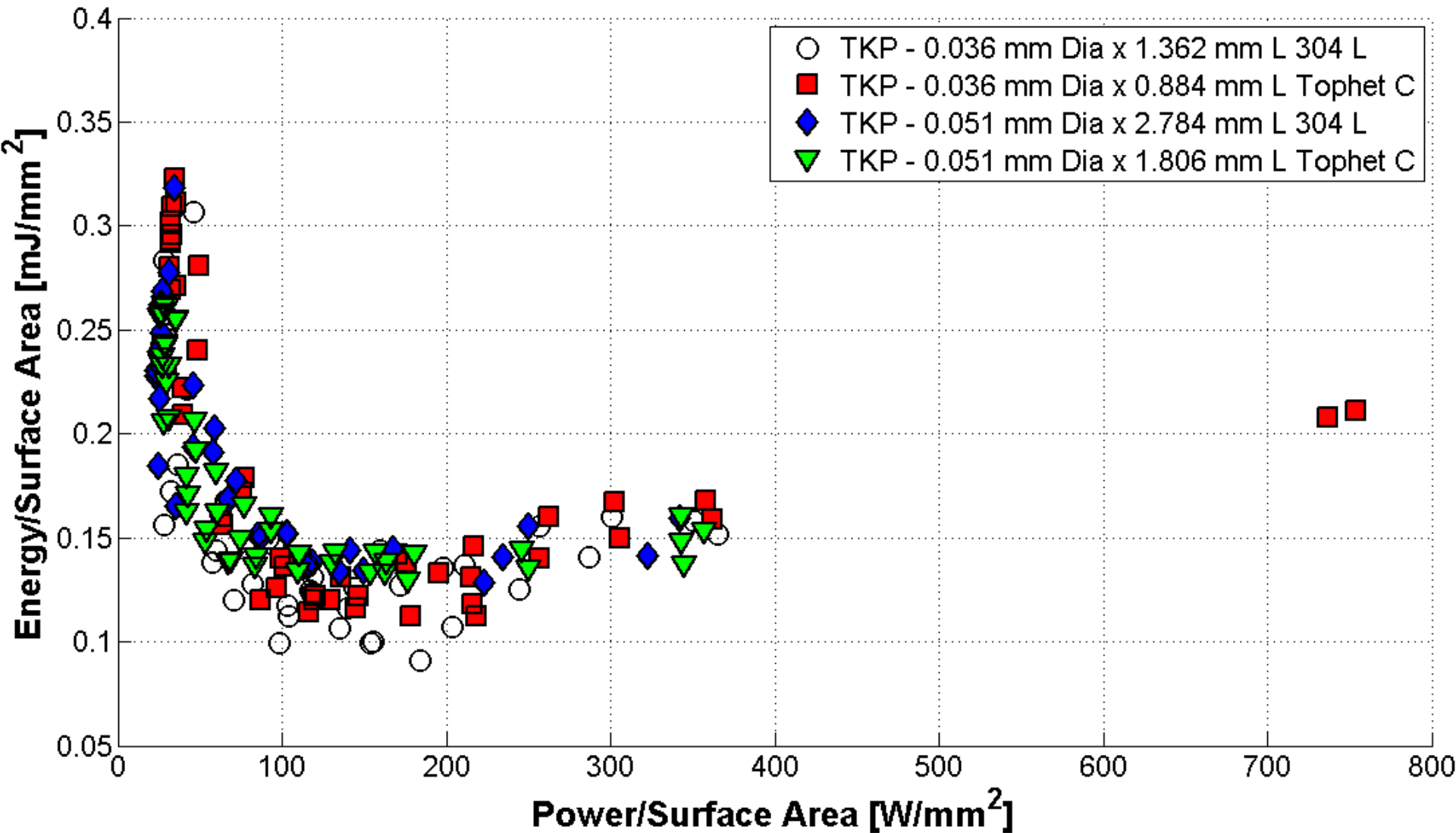
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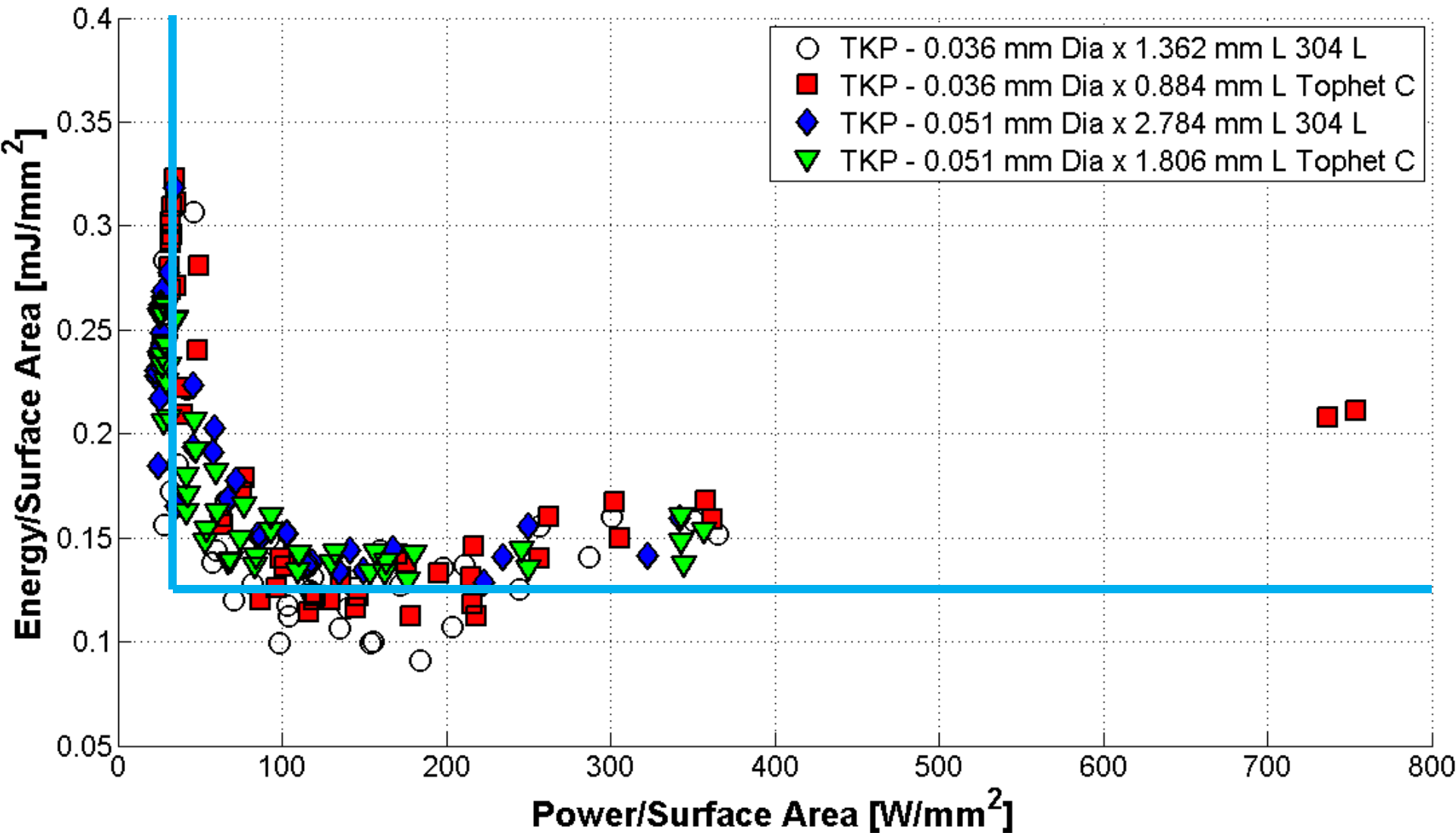
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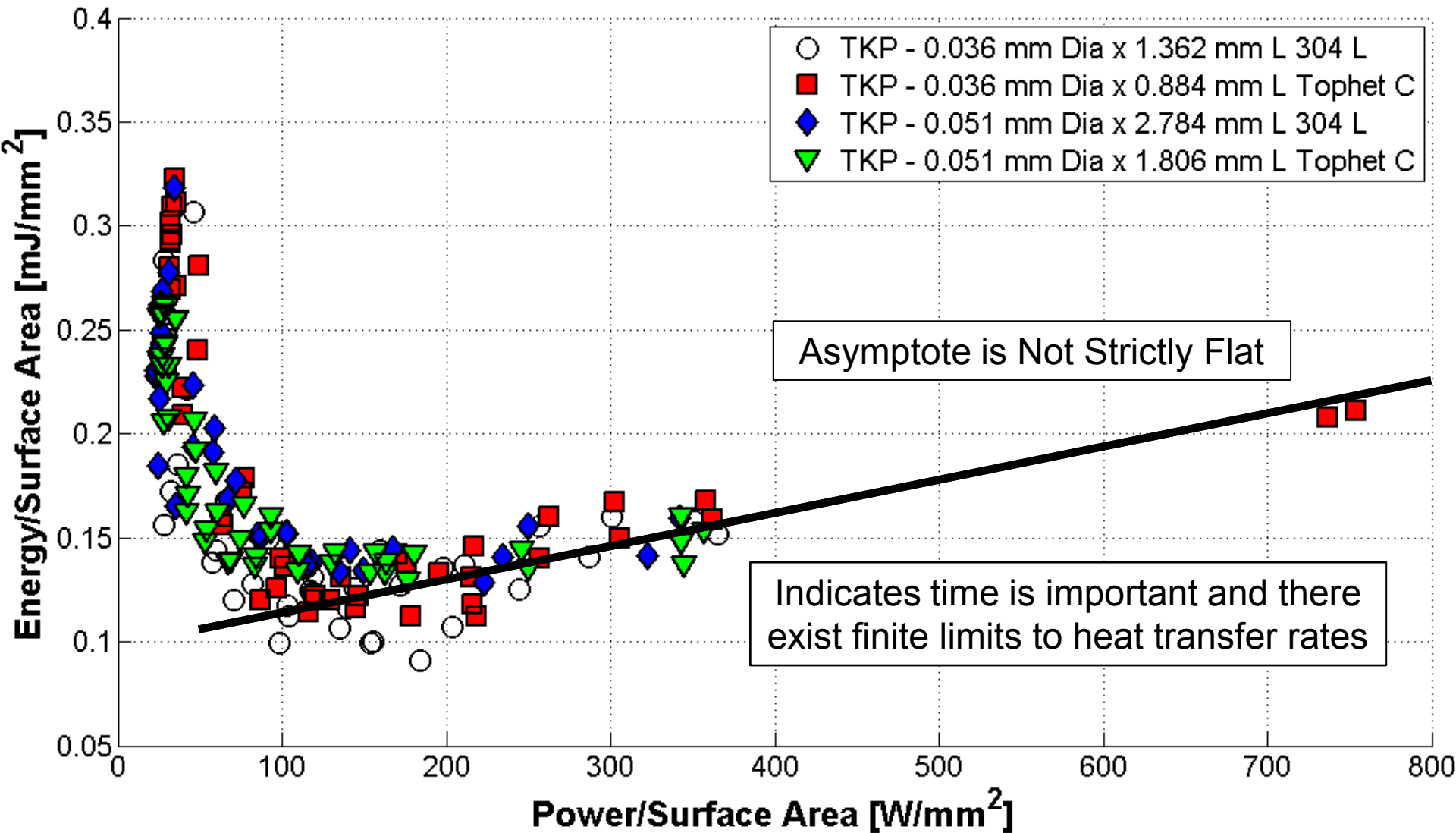
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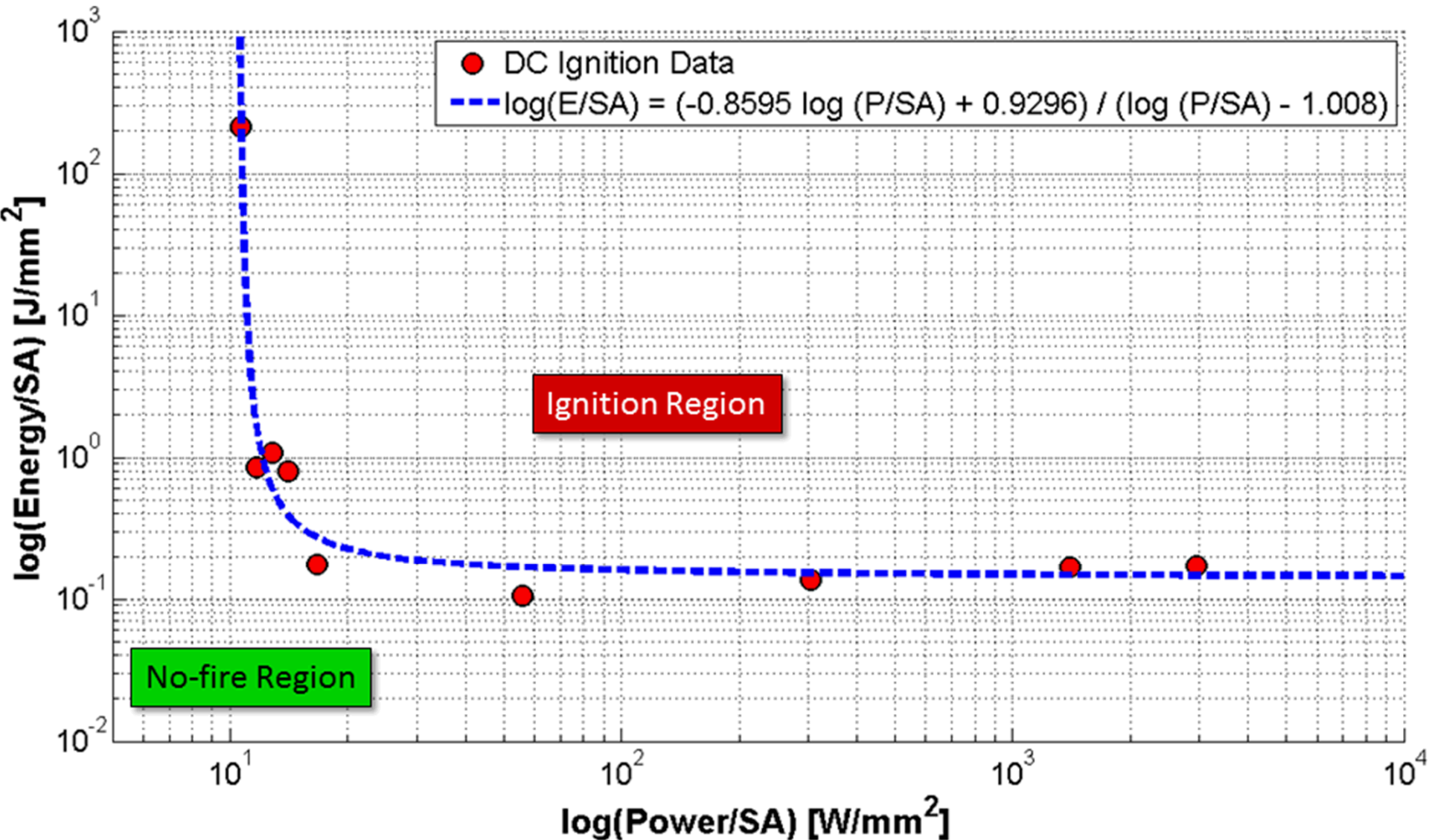
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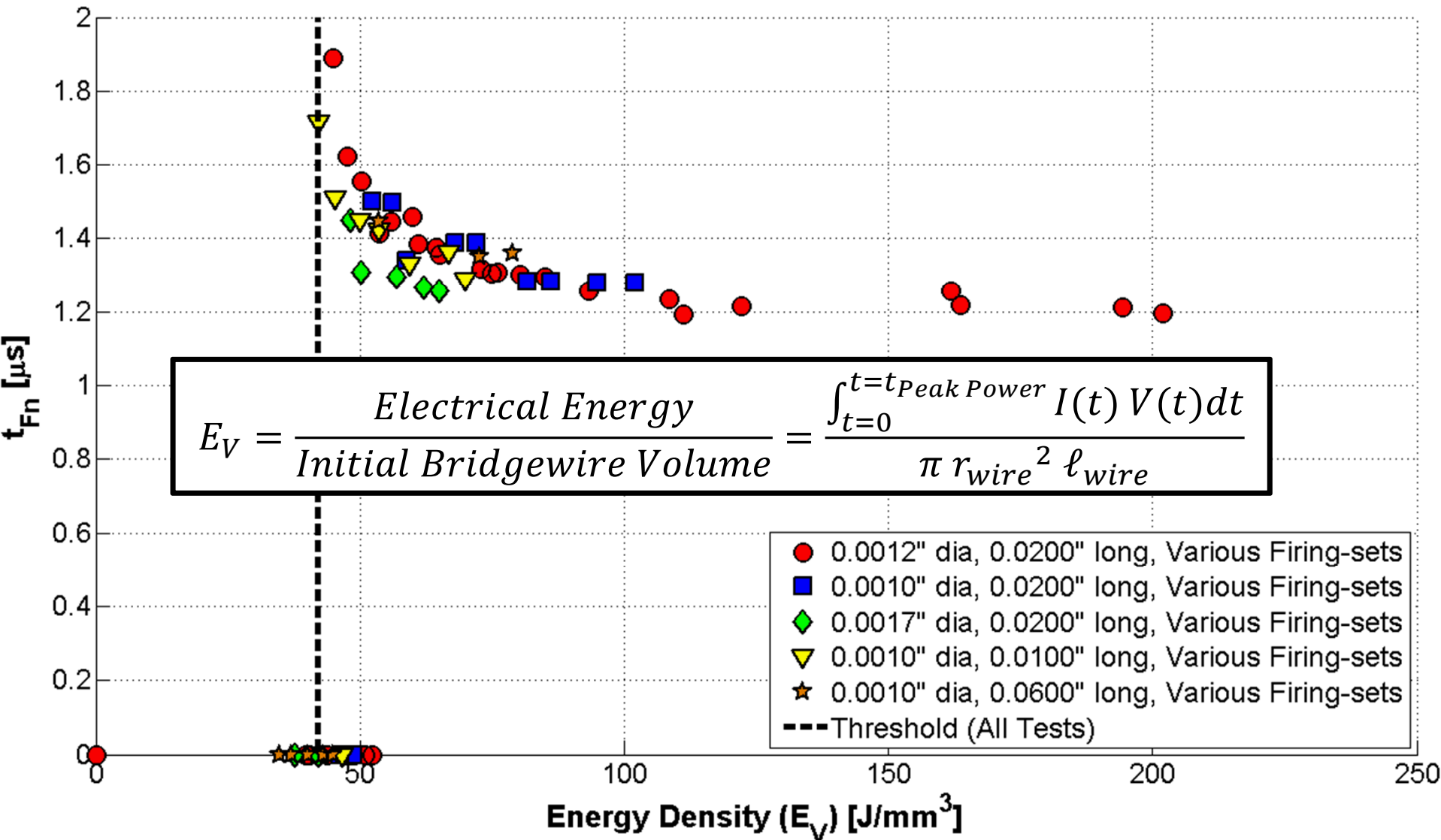
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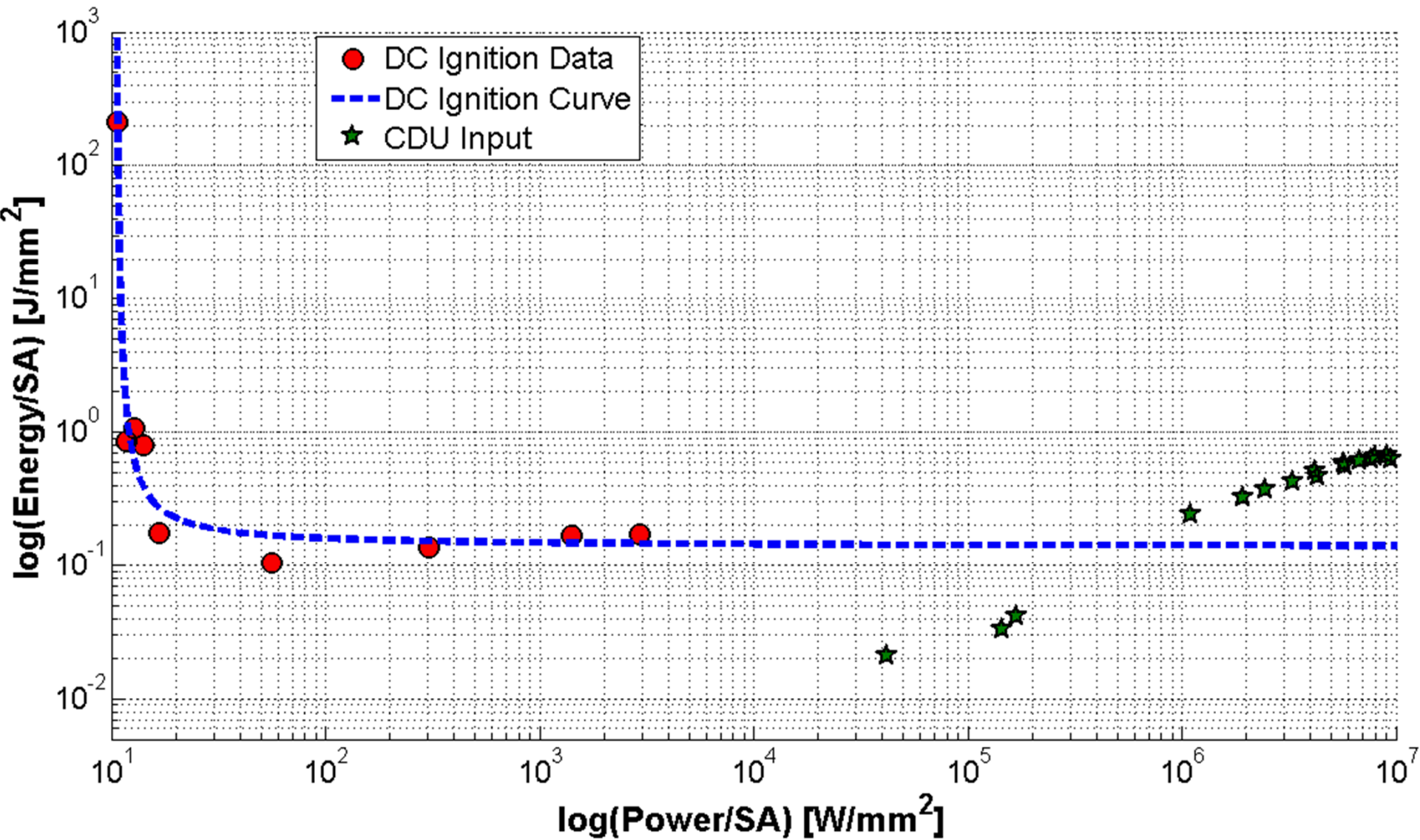
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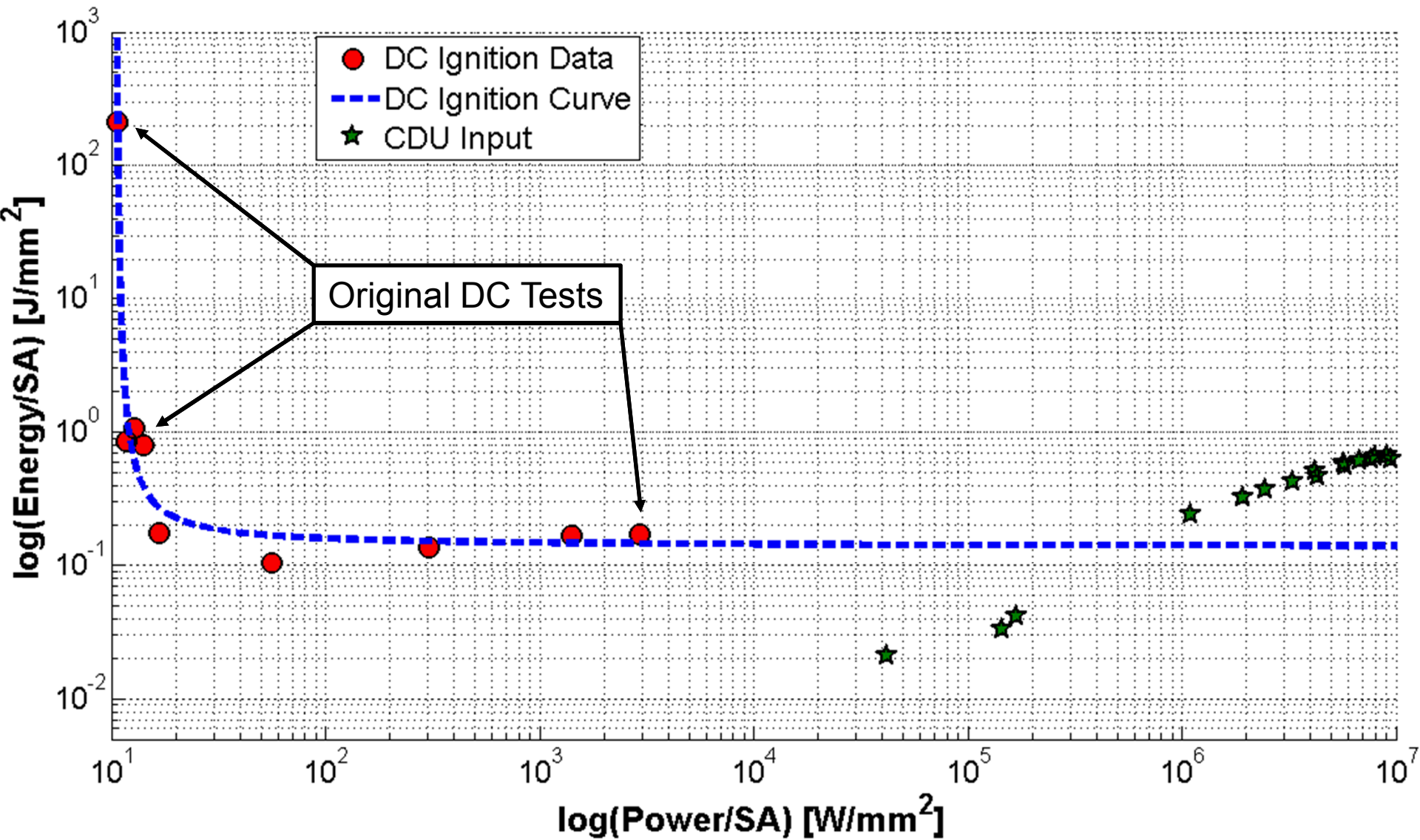
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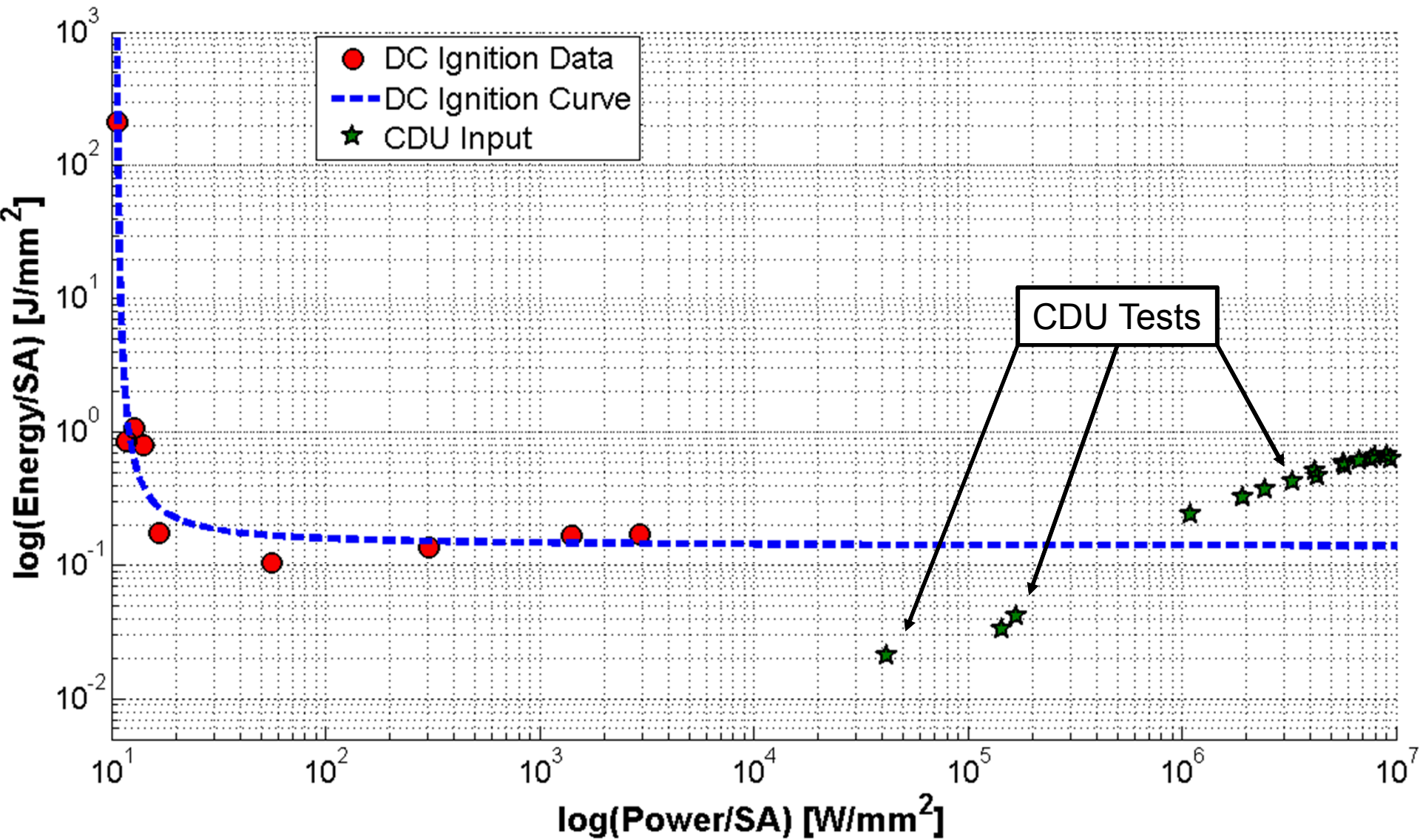
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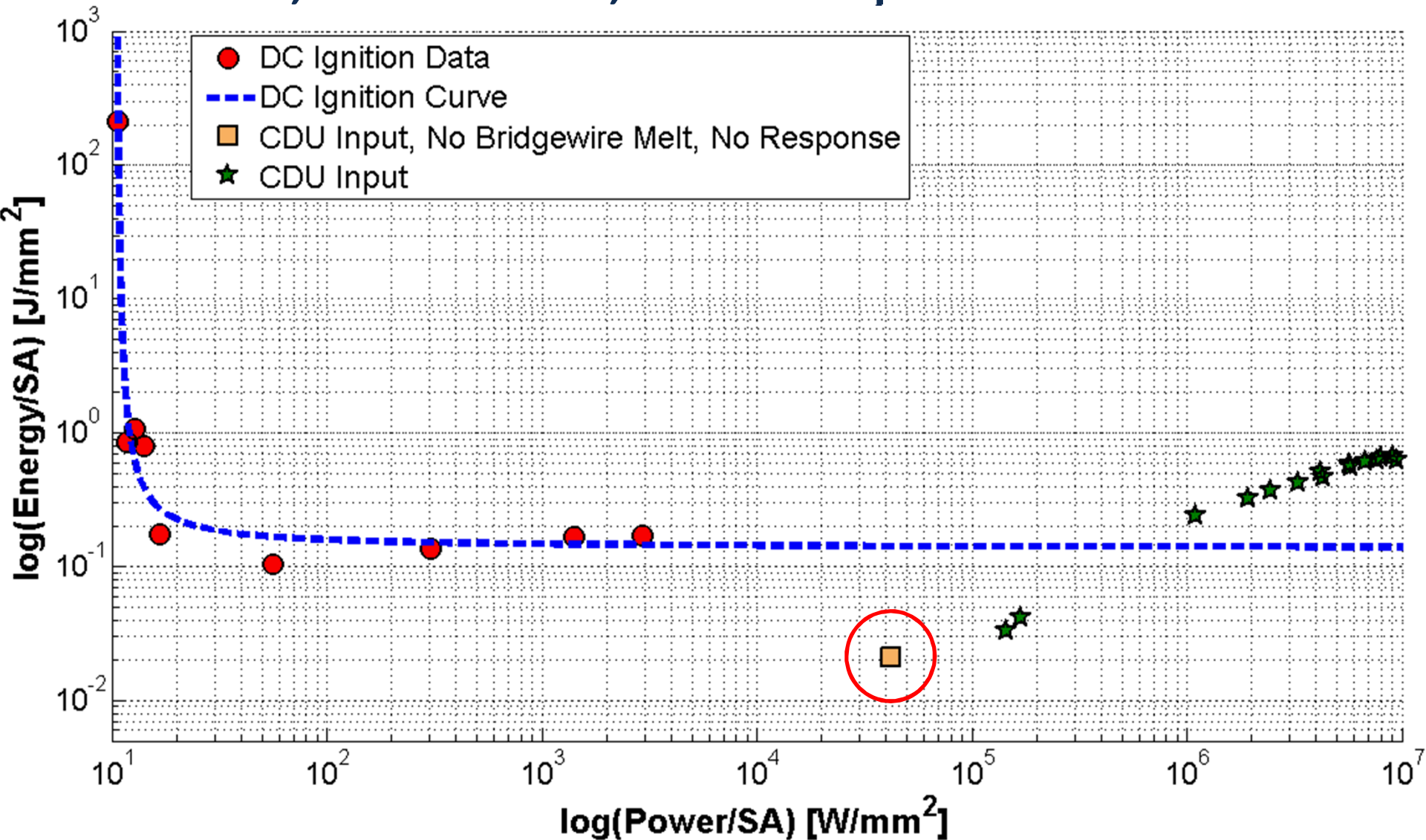
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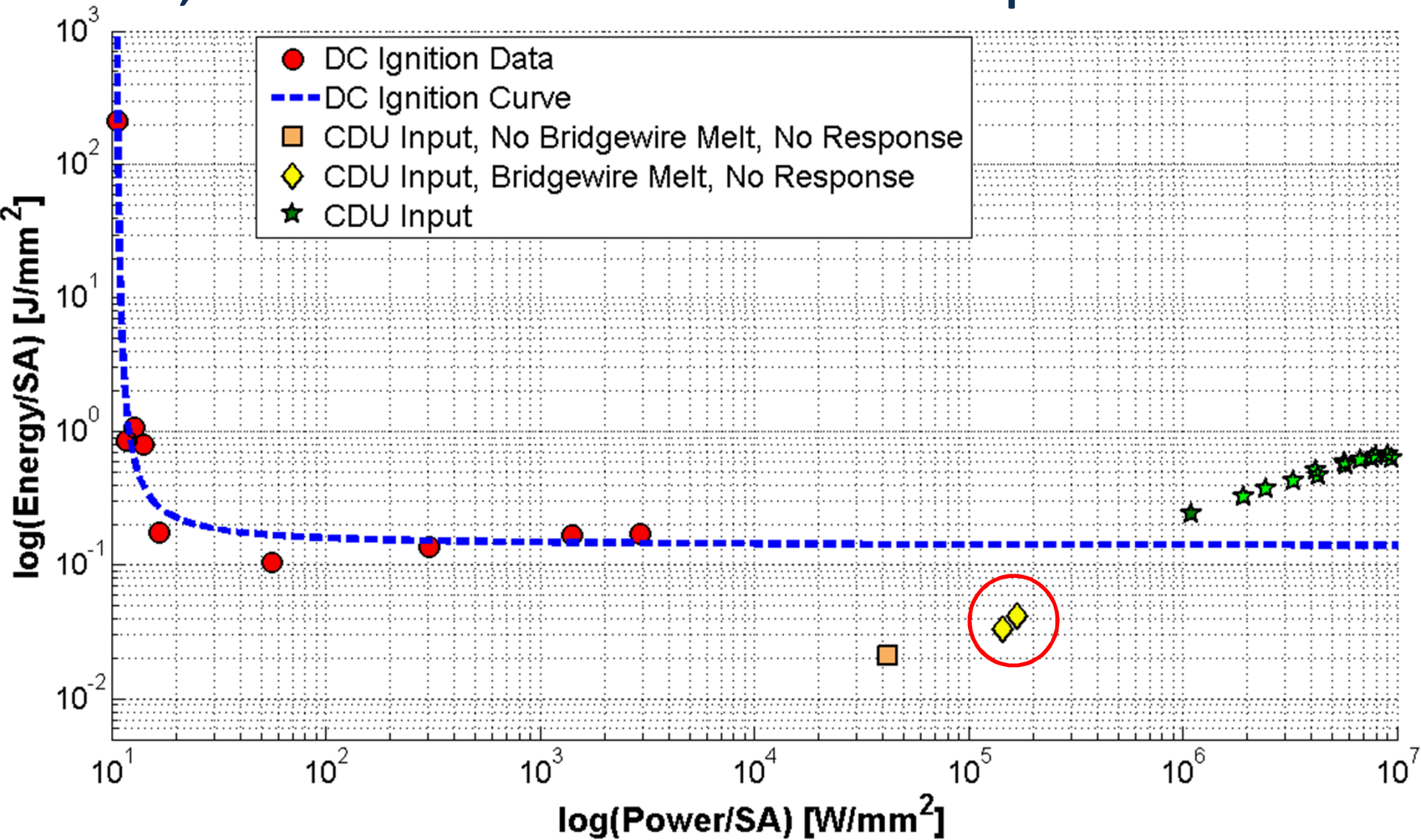
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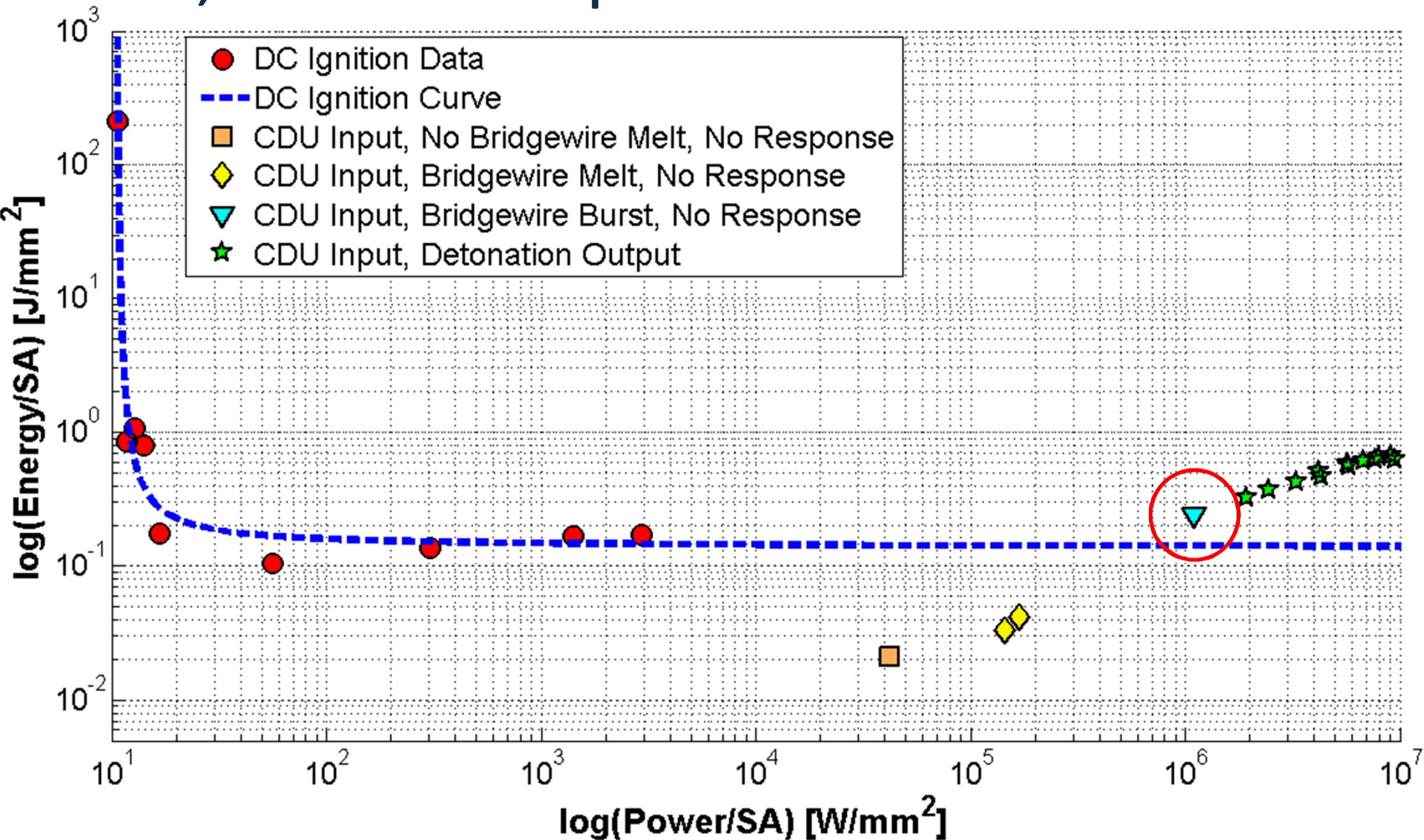
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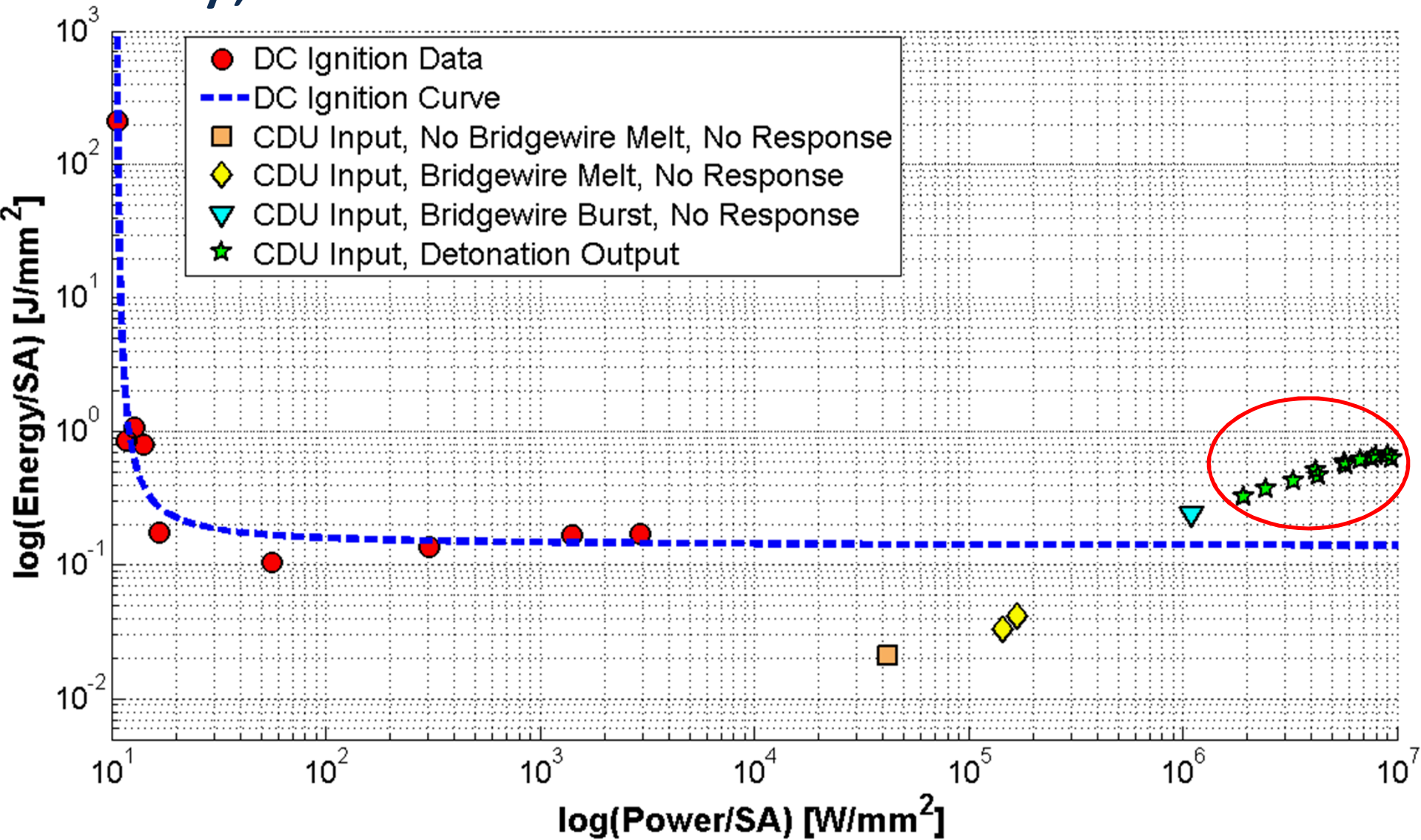
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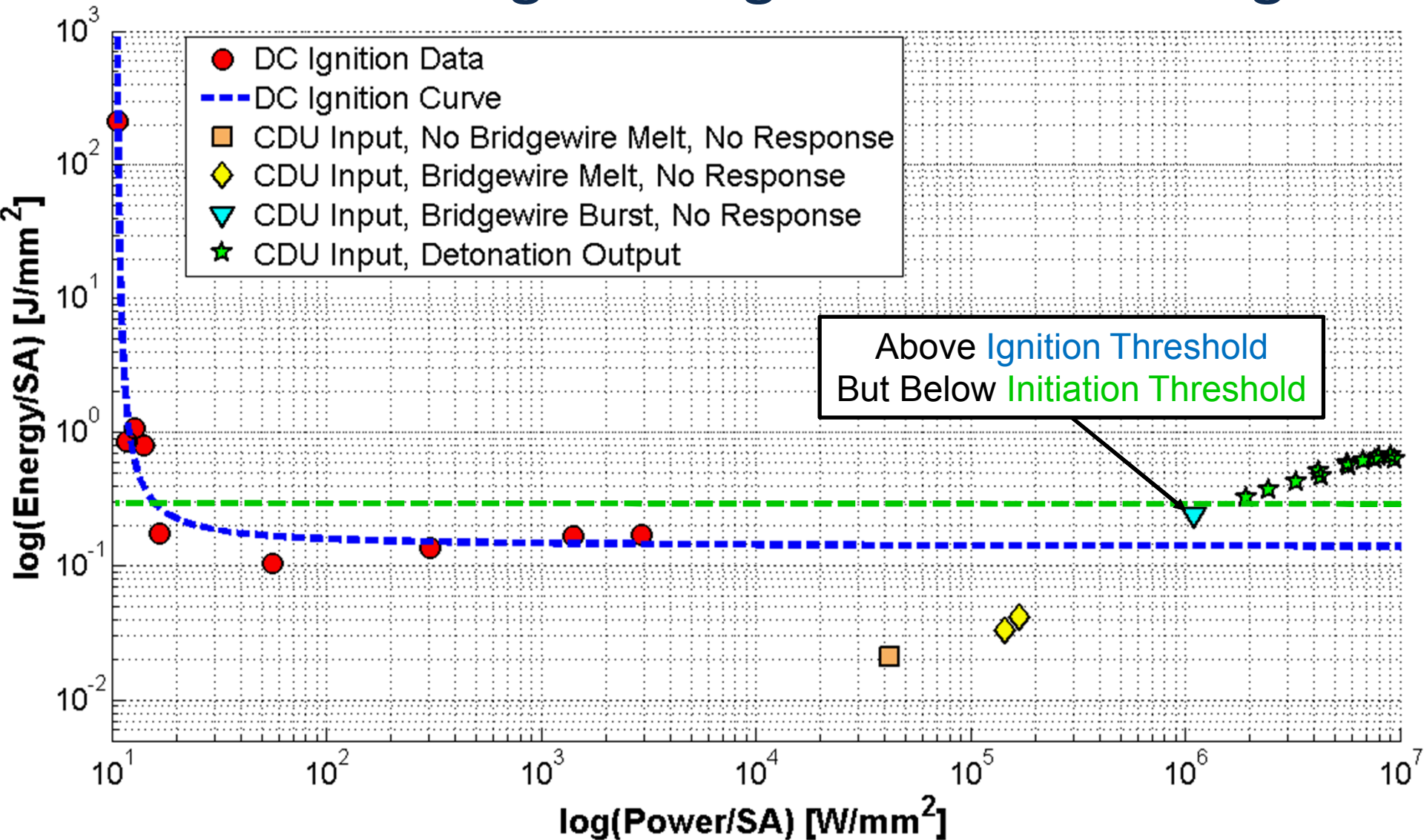
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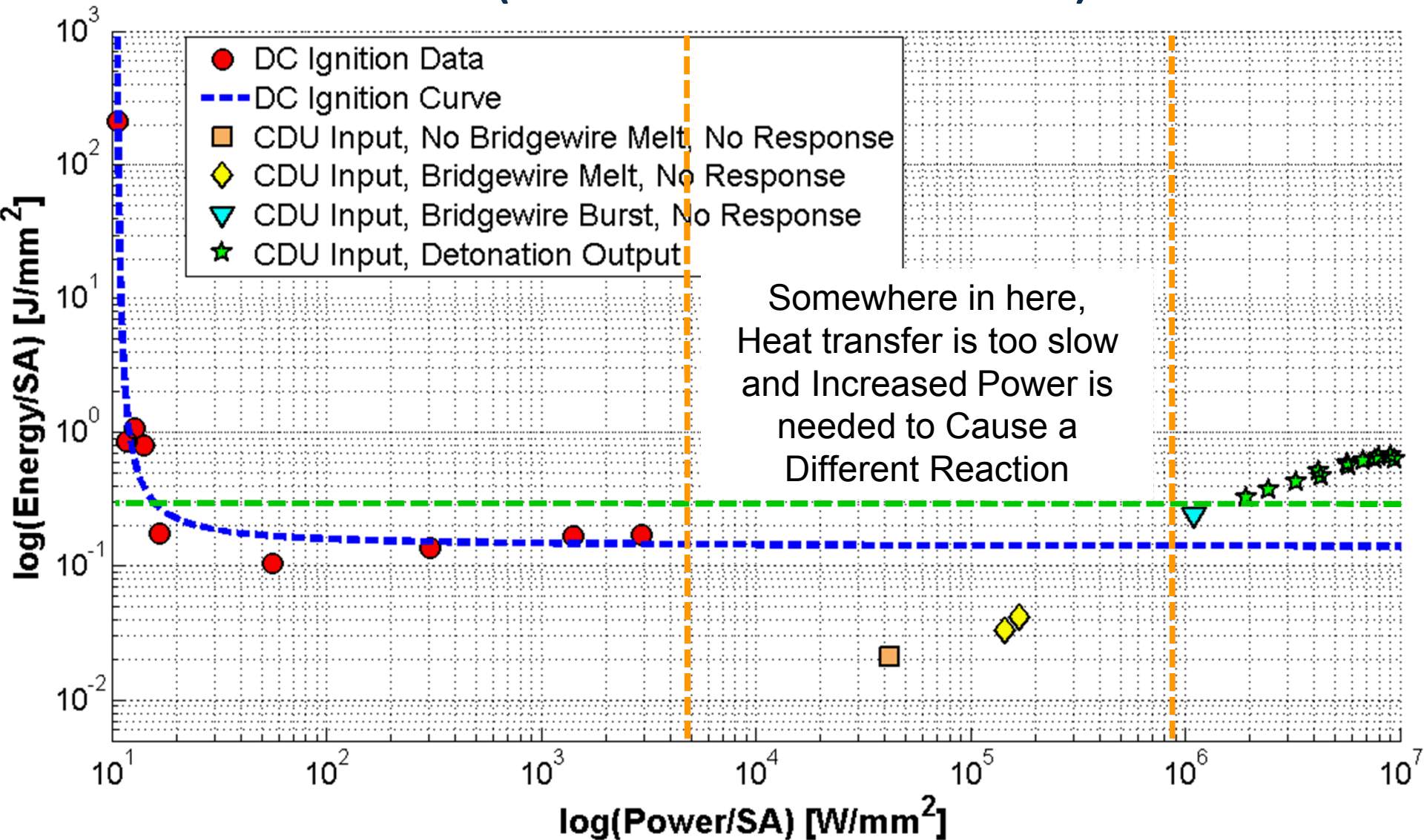
Finally, Detonation



More Than Enough E to Ignite...but Nothing...



It Seems Power (and therefore Time) Matter



Conclusions

- Igniting an EBW and initiating an EBW are two very different events.
- Ignition requires large amounts of time for heat transfer to occur.
- Initiation requires high power and small amounts of time to cause a reaction on a different time scale.
- This data suggests ignition does not occur in normal EBW operation.
- This data suggests ignition has nothing to do with detonation.

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