

Extrapolative Scaling Expression:
**A fitting equation for extrapolating full $I_c(B, T, \epsilon)$ data
matrixes from limited data**

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Organization of Talk

1. Context for Extrapolative Scaling Expression (ESE, or “easy”)

Result of three SUST invited topical reviews:

- Part 1 – Organization of many parameterizations of USL into separable parts
- Part 2 – Derivation of ESE from raw scaling data ($> 4000 I_c$ measurements)
- Part 3 – Applications

2. Focus on new extrapolation capabilities made possible with ESE

Emphasis on *concatenation of errors* (not included in SUST articles)

Illustrate with practical conductors: HL-LHC, ITER, NMR cryo-cooled magnets

3. Suggestions for future research



Two approaches in use to analyze $I_c(B, T, \epsilon)$

Pinning force curves $F_p(B, T, \epsilon) = I_c(B, T, \epsilon) B$

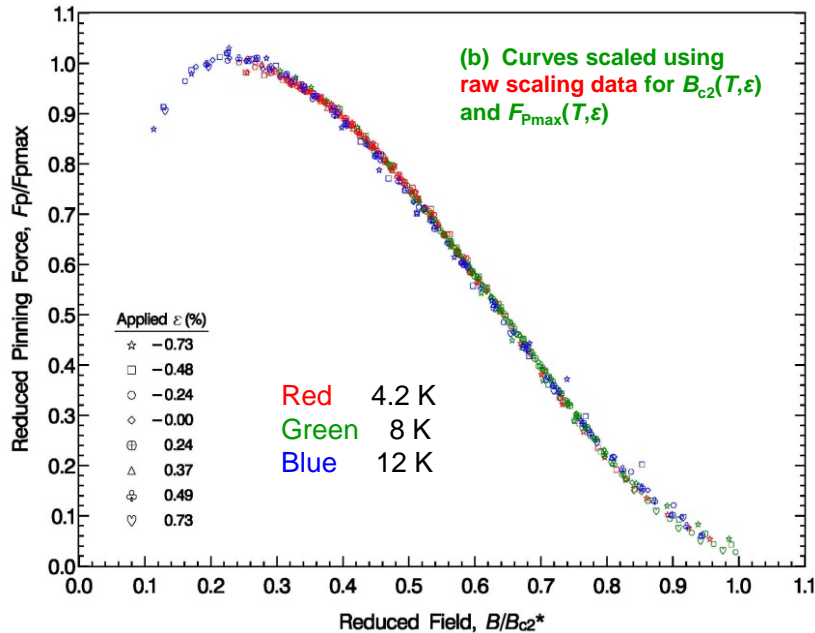
Fundamental Scaling

Curve registration

- 1) $F_{Pmax}(T, \epsilon)$
 - 2) $B_{c2}^*(T, \epsilon)$
- ↙ All we get ↘

Extrapolation capability

Master scaling curve

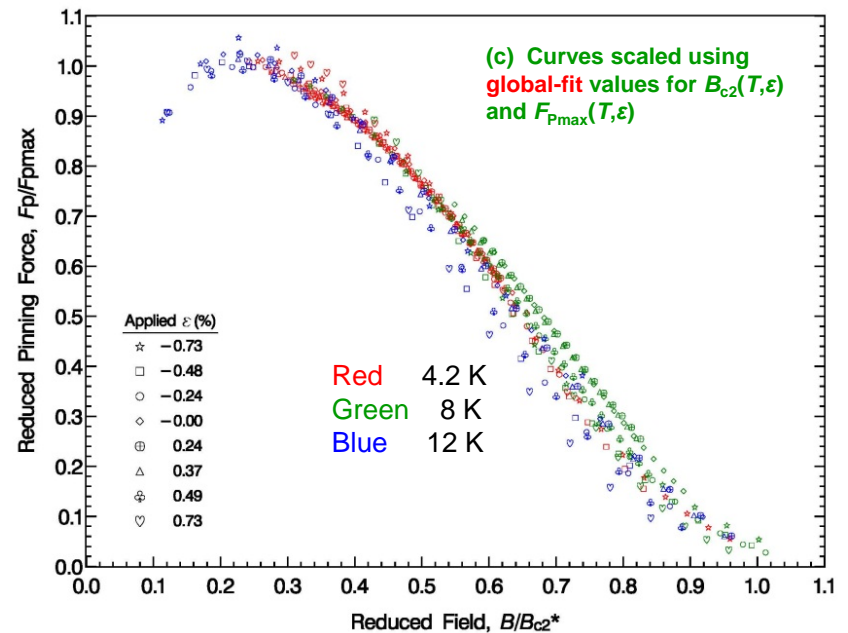


Global Fitting Equations

$$I_c(B, T, \epsilon) B = C [b_{c2}(\epsilon_0)]^s x x (1 - t^v)^{\eta-\mu} (1 - t^2)^\mu b^p (1-b)^q$$

Interpolation only

No master scaling curve





ESE is a fitting equation for the 3-dimensional $I_c(B, T, \varepsilon)$, which is:

1. Derived from an extensive one-time analysis of raw scaling data.
2. But simply applied as a fitting equation (without analyzing raw scaling data).
3. And, unlike present fitting equations, it has the extrapolation capability of fundamental scaling. (Reason? – based on master scaling curves; it is not empirical or semi-empirical)

Because no theoretical assumptions were made in its derivation, the results also serve to evaluate underlying semi-theoretical models for general par. of USL



Derivation of the Extrapolative Scaling Expression (ESE)

True Scaling

Registration gives:



ESE Fitting Equation

$$I_c(B, T, \epsilon) B = C b_{c2}(\epsilon)^s (1 - t^{1.5})^{\eta-\mu} (1 - t^2)^\mu b^p (1-b)^q$$

reduced variables: $b \equiv B/B_{c2}^*(T, \epsilon)$ and $t \equiv T/T_{c2}^*(\epsilon)$

where: $B_{c2}^*(T, \epsilon)/B_{c2}^*(0,0) = (1 - t^{1.5}) b_{c2}(\epsilon)$

$$T_c^*(\epsilon) = T_c^*(0) b_{c2}(\epsilon)^{1/3}$$

- Extrapolation capability

- Extrapolation capability
- But, in an easy way

Three scaling constants:

- $w = 3.0 \pm 0.03$
- $v = 1.5 \pm 0.04$
- $u = 1.7 \pm 0.1$

Stable with respect to:

- conductor type
- trim factors
- p and q values
- magnetic self-field correction

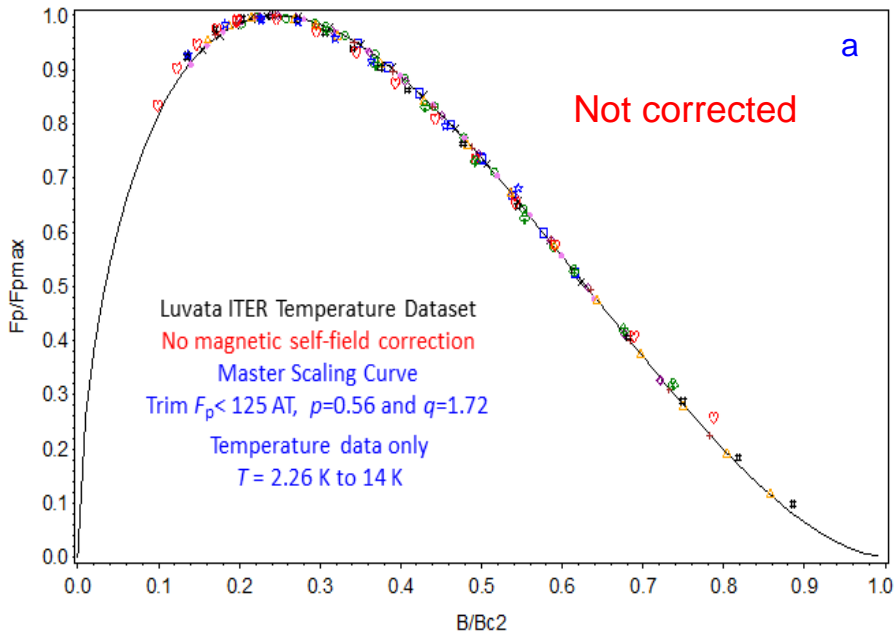


Magnetic Self-field Correction

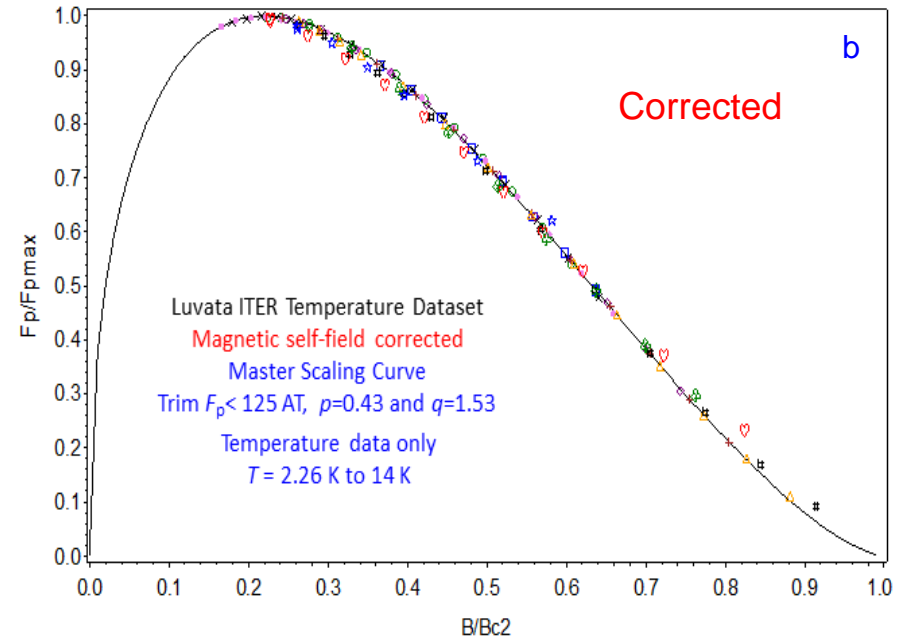
Needed for comparisons -- short-sample data, different apparatus, magnetization

Large effect on flux-pinning curve, BUT:

1. F_p curves still scale into master curve
2. Scaling constants w , v , and u unchanged by SF correction



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Bottom line: raw scaling analysis gives:

Extrapolative Scaling Expression (ESE), the “easy” fit.

Most useful form:

$$I_c(B, T, \varepsilon) B = C b_{c_2}(\varepsilon)^s (1 - t^{1.5})^{\eta-1} (1 - t^2) b^p (1-b)^q$$

where $b \equiv B/B_{c_2}^*(T, \varepsilon)$ is the reduced field, and $t \equiv T/T_c^*(\varepsilon)$ is the reduced temperature

$$B_{c_2}^*(T, \varepsilon)/B_{c_2}^*(0, 0) = (1 - t^{1.5}) b_{c_2}(\varepsilon)$$

$$T_c^*(\varepsilon) = T_c^*(0) b_{c_2}(\varepsilon)^{1/3}$$

and fitting parameters C & $B_{c_2}^*(0, 0)$, and 4 core parameters $T_c^*(0)$, s , η , & C_1 (in $b_{c_2}(\varepsilon)$).



Hybrid temperature models with η fitted (Durham) and $\mu = 1$ (Twente) have the following advantages:

- Overall fitting accuracy
- Parameter consistency (η variability < half that of μ)
- **Extrapolation** capability to temperatures *below 4 K* (~1 % errors)

Exponential strain model for $b_{c2}(\varepsilon)$:

- One fitting parameter C_1 (*strain sensitivity index, default values*)
- 3-D strain capability
- **Extrapolation** capability to high compressive strains



Applications of the Extrapolative Scaling Expression (ESE)

N.B. -- Fitting F_p , not I_c . Errors consistently one-fifth !

Extrapolation capability in four new areas:

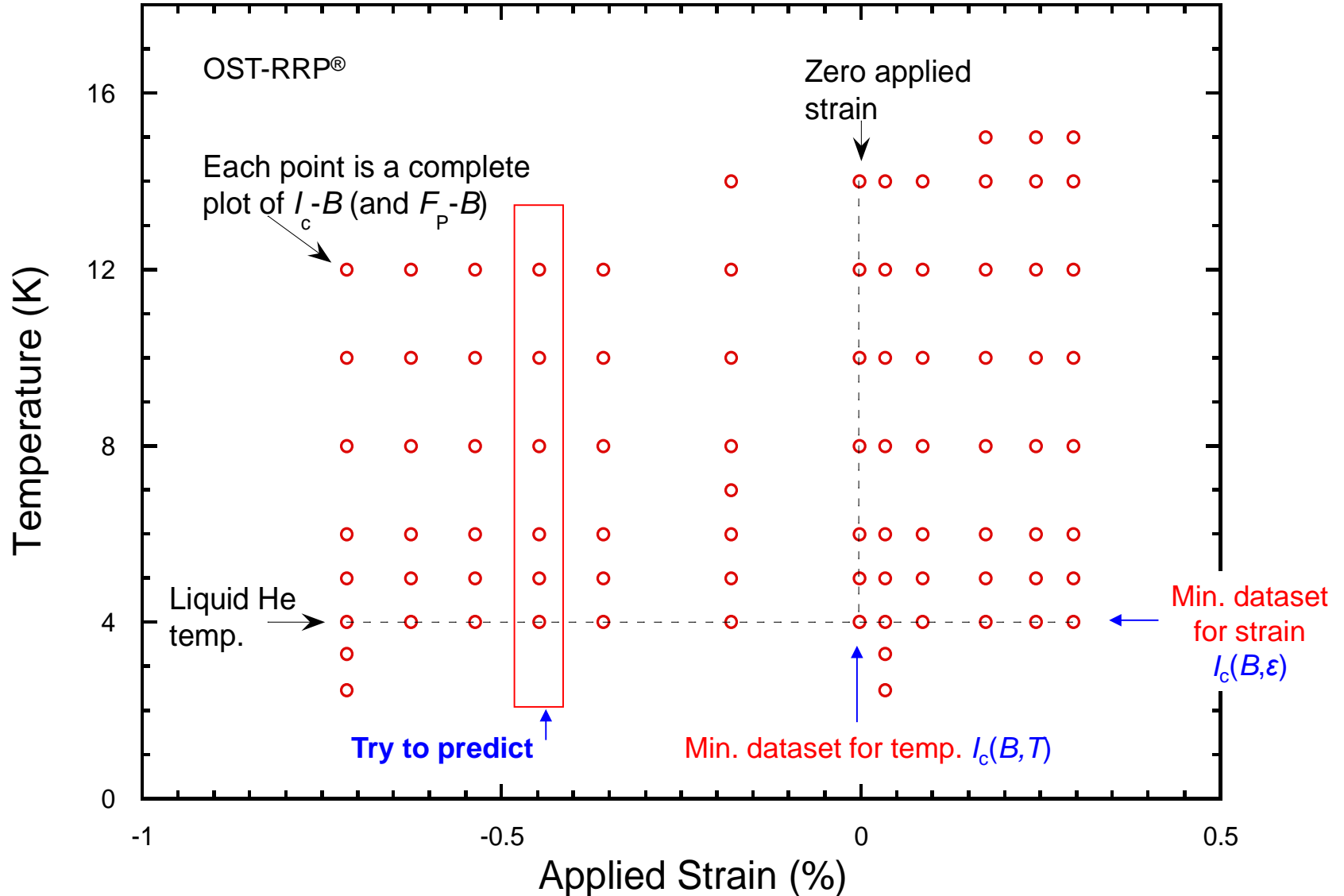
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4. Interpolation **with option for nearby extrapolations**
(with *default core* parameters)



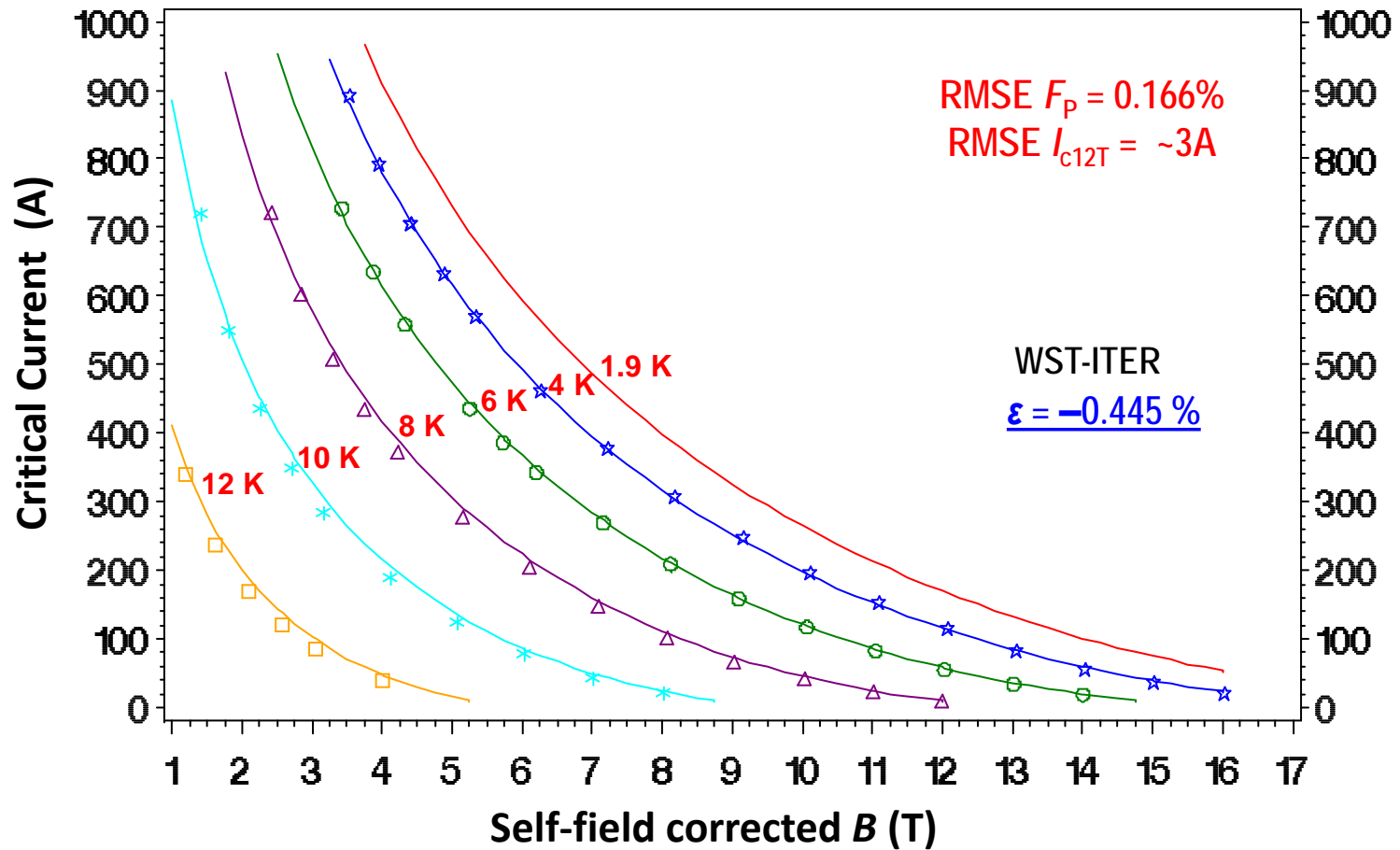
Minimum Dataset for extrapolating full $I_c(B, T, \epsilon)$ characteristics – derived from scaling

Visualize with T - ϵ measurement map

5-fold reduction in measurement space



Minimum dataset extrapolation with ESE-Hybrid model



Temperature (K)	◇ ◇ ◇	1.90	☆ ☆ ☆	4.03	○ ○ ○	6.00
	△ △ △	8.00	* * *	10.00	□ □ □	12.00



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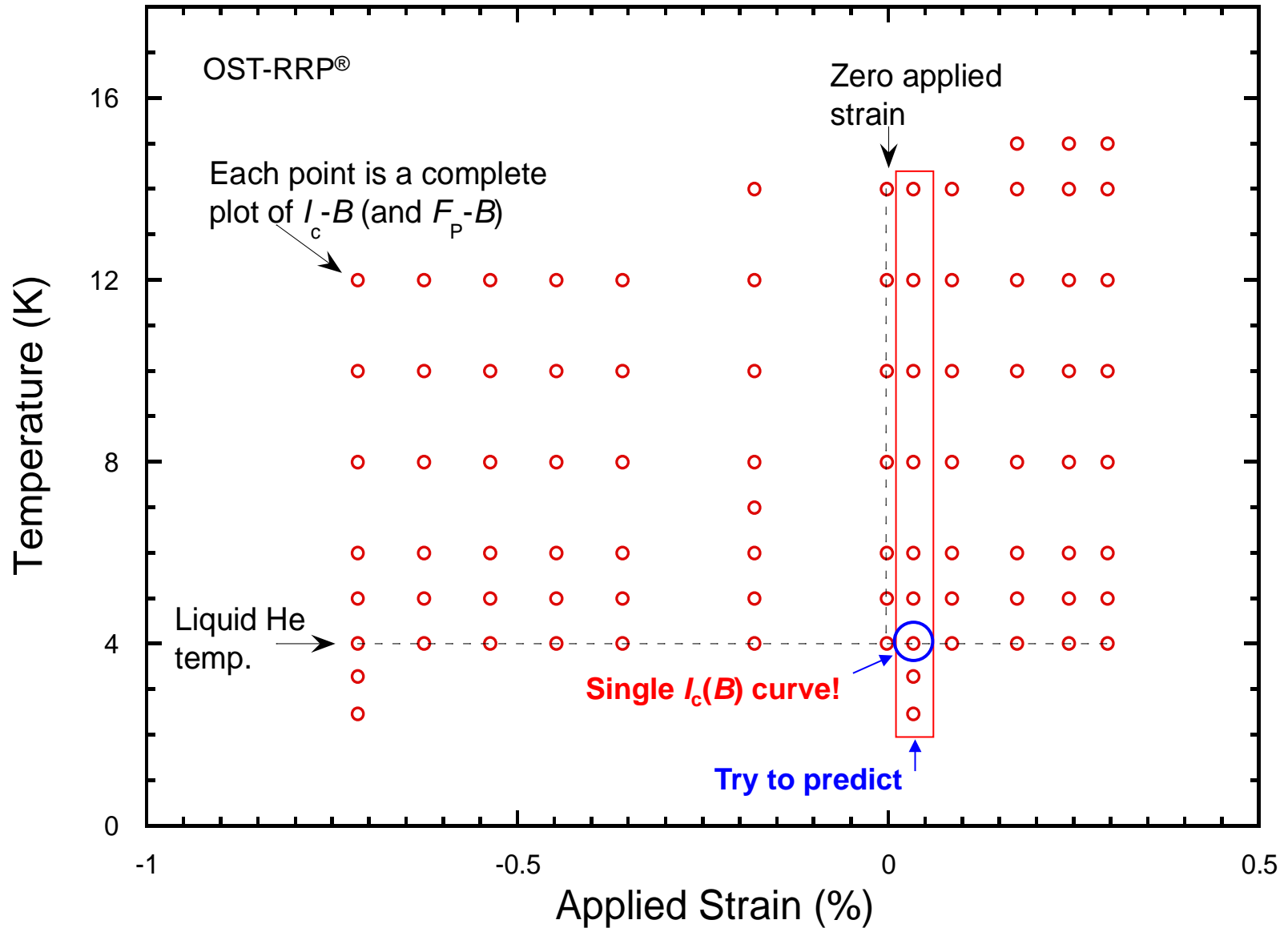
Combining limited datasets (examples in Part 3)

Core parameters – depend only on **ratios** of raw scaling data. Very stable.
Transfer among similar conductors (same comp., config, and heat treatment)

Available data	Parameters determined							
	C	$B_{c2}^*(0,0)$	$T_c^*(0)$	η	s	$b_{c2}(\varepsilon)$	p	q
$I_c(B, T, \varepsilon)$ (unified T, ε apparatus)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
} $I_c(B, T)$ fixed ε (dedicated T rig) Min. dataset	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
	$I_c(B, \varepsilon)$ fixed T (dedicated ε rig)	✓	✓			✓	✓	(✓)
$I_c(T)$ fixed B, ε (dedicated T rig)	✓		✓	✓				
$I_c(\varepsilon)$ fixed B, T (dedicated ε rig)	✓					✓		
$I_c(B)$ fixed T, ε (routine I_c testing) Single $I_c(B)$ curve	✓	✓					(✓)	✓
I_c fixed B, T, ε (routine I_c testing)	✓							



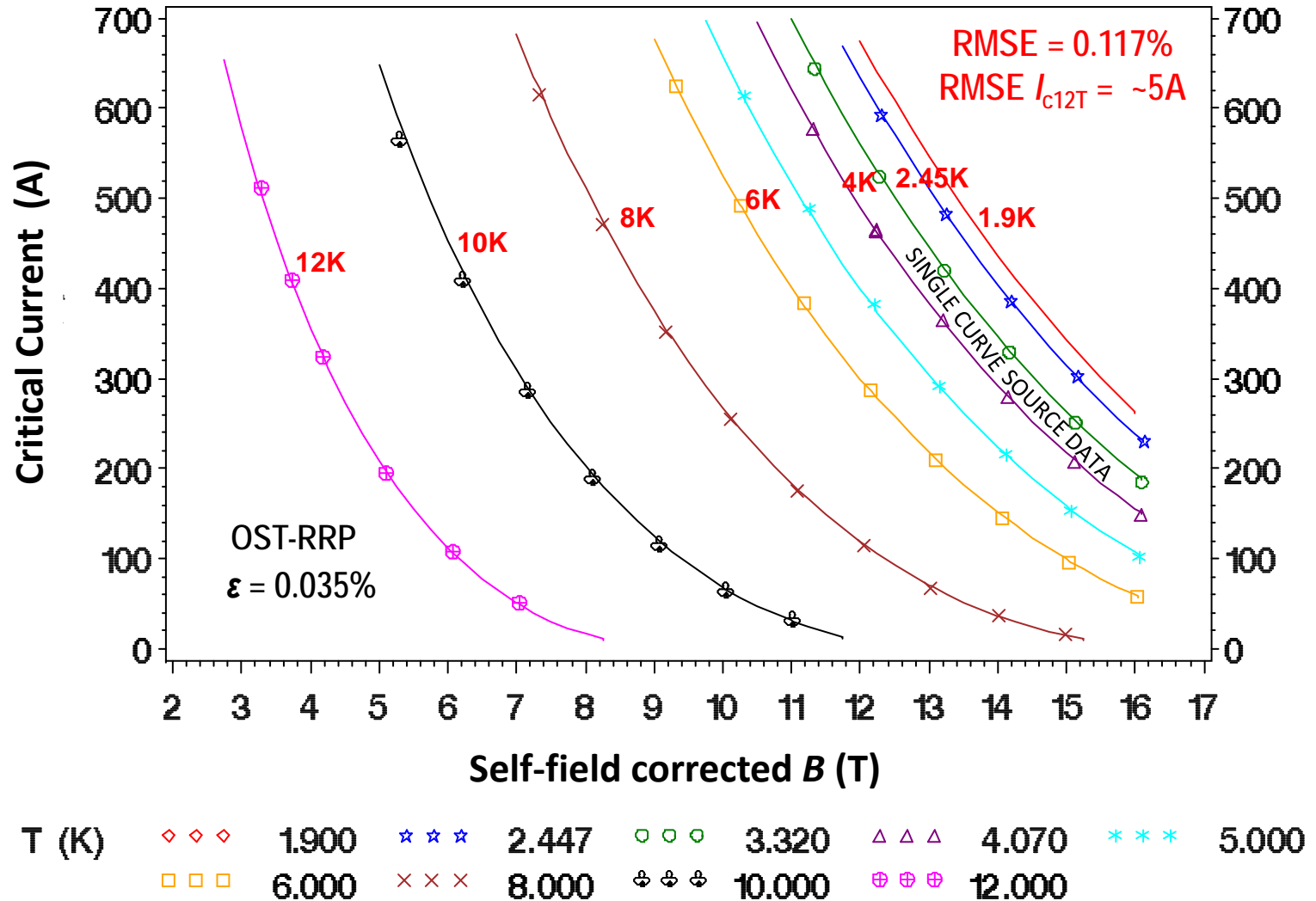
Single $I_c(B)$ curve extrapolation



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From point in $T-\epsilon$ map at 4.07 K and 0.035 % strain

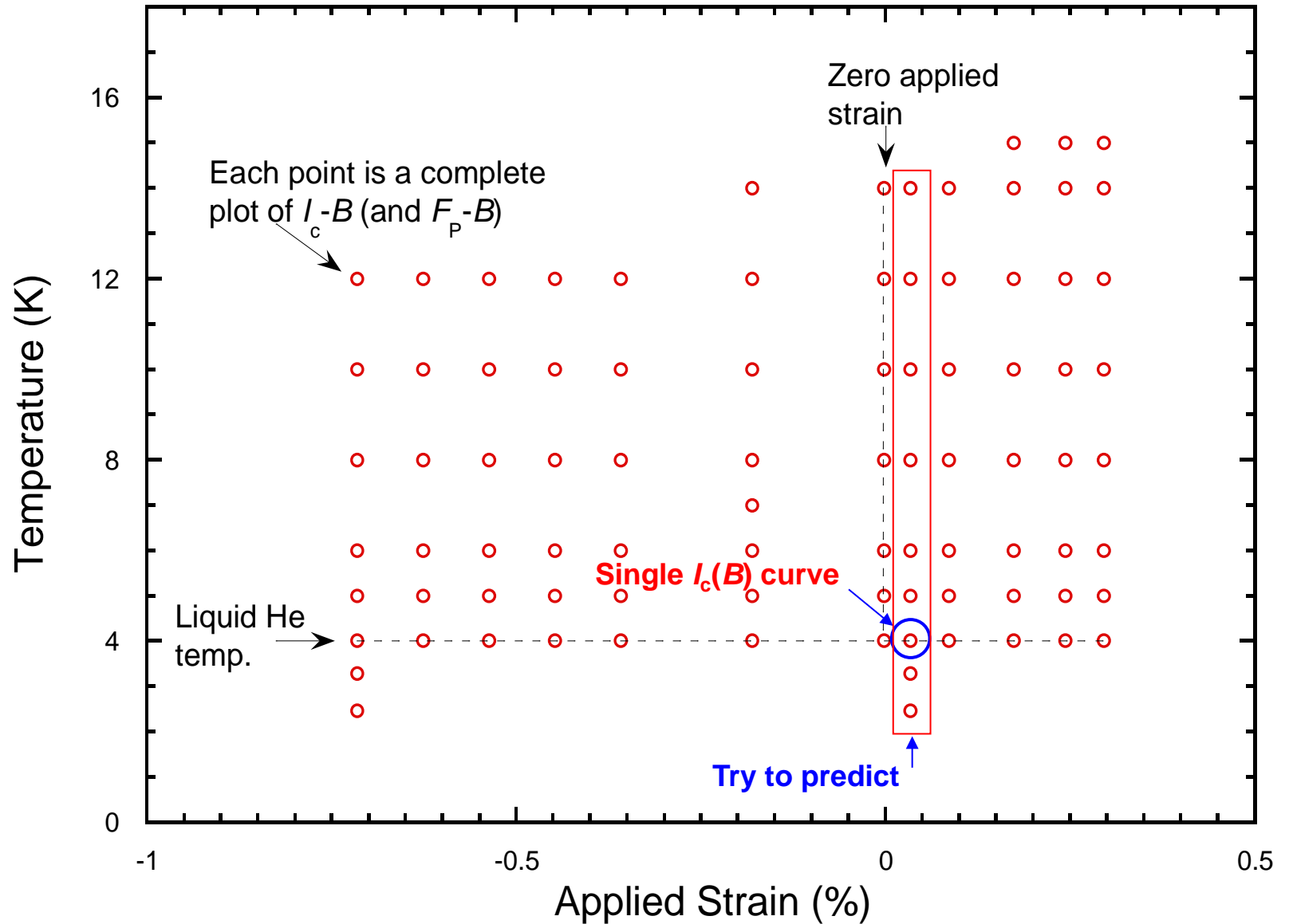
Core parameters from minimum dataset





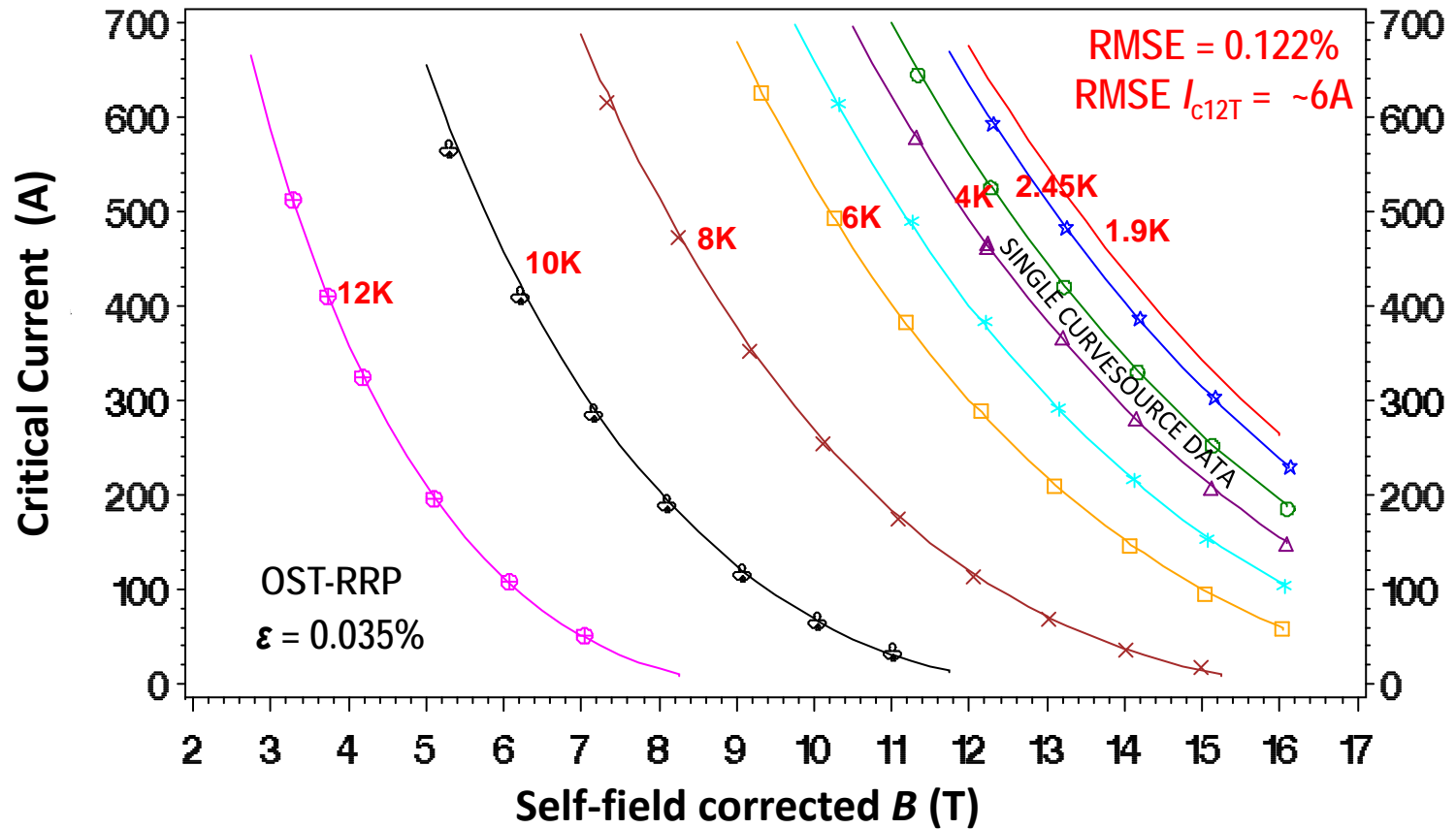
Single $I_c(B)$ curve extrapolation

Core parameters from min. dataset with data only > 4 K



Single $I_c(B)$ curve extrapolation from 4.07 K and 0.035 % strain

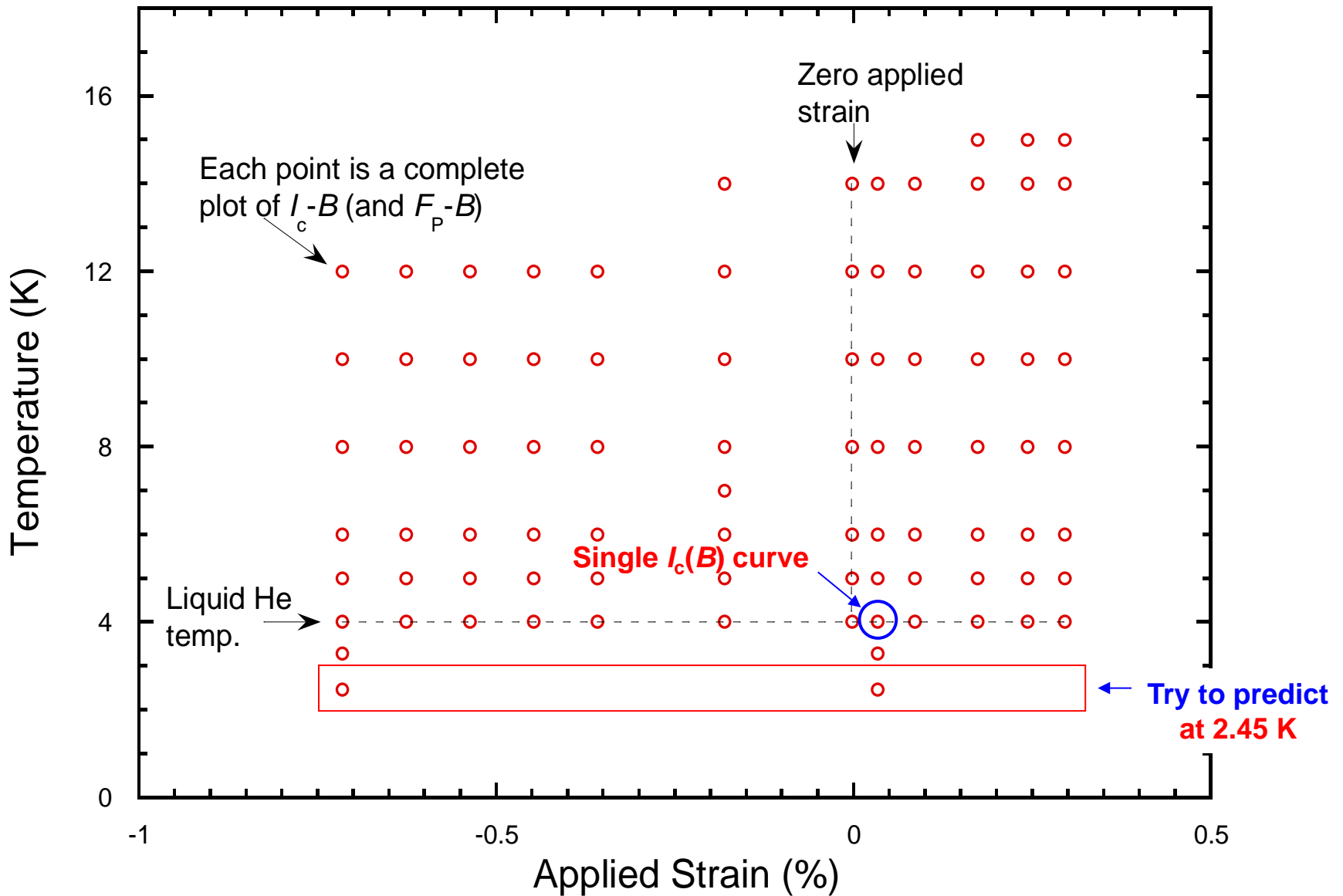
Core par. from minimum dataset, using data only > 4 K (combine 3 extrapolations)



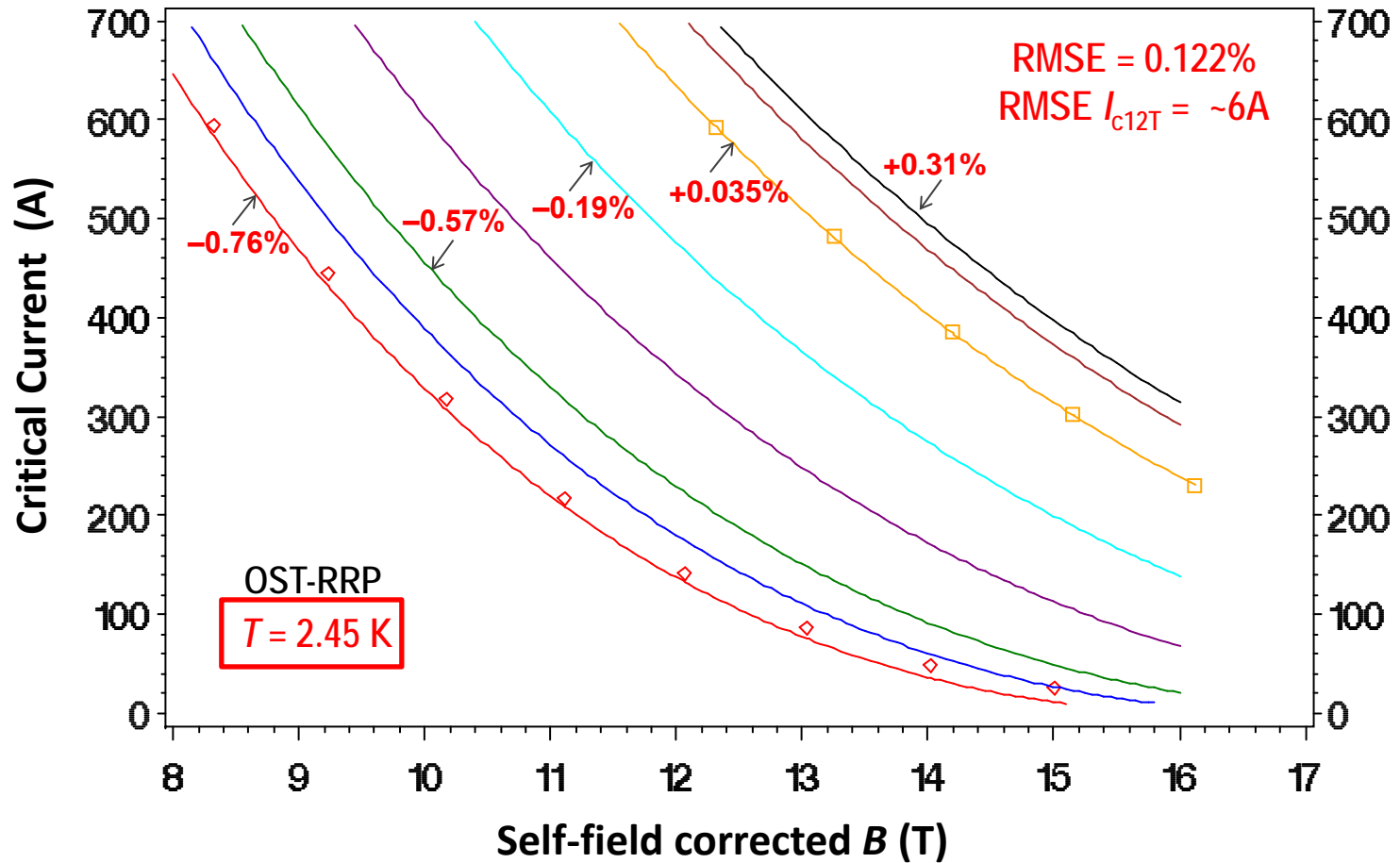
Temperature (K)	◇ ◇ ◇	1.900	☆ ☆ ☆	2.447	○ ○ ○	3.320
	△ △ △	4.070	* * *	5.000	□ □ □	6.000
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Single $I_c(B)$ curve strain extrapolation

Core par. from minimum dataset, using data only > 4 K



Single $I_c(B)$ curve strain extrapolation from 4.07 K and 0.035 % strain
 Core parameters from minimum dataset, using data only > 4 K



App. Strain (%)	◇ ◇ ◇	-0.755	☆ ☆ ☆	-0.661	○ ○ ○	-0.566	△ △ △	-0.378
	* * *	-0.190	□ □ □	0.035	× × ×	0.183	⊕ ⊕ ⊕	0.313



Caveats:

1. Evaluated **intrinsic** errors for predicting the non-core parameters from a single $I_c(B)$ curve
 2. **Extrinsic** errors need to be minimized. Core parameters determined from:
 - Samples with similar configuration, doping, and heat treatment (e.g., **production samples**).
 - Similar sample holders (minimize strain variability)
 - Matching material** preferred (thermal contraction strain)
 - Continuously soldered** preferred to provide good F_L support
 - Cu-Be** holders easy solution (avoids unsupported conductor settling)
- If control extrinsic errors, such extrapolations quite effective for similar conductors.



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Table A1.1. The ESE parameter set, with Hybrid $h(t)$ and the Exponential parameterization of $b_{c2}(\varepsilon)$ for data *not corrected for magnetic selffield*.

Nb ₃ Sn Conductor	C (AT)	$B_{c2}^*(0,0)$ (T)	Core Scaling Parameters					p^\dagger	q^\dagger	RMSFD (%)	RMS (%)
			$T_c^*(0)$ (K)	η	s	$\varepsilon_{10}^{**\dagger}$ (%)	C_1^\dagger				
OST-RRP [®]	50,514	29.09	16.94	2.254	1.150	-0.355	0.748	0.5	2.061	9.0	0.120
WST-ITER	21,015	31.02	16.81	2.025	1.388	-0.302	0.817	0.573	1.834	4.8	0.114
LUVATA	14,955	29.70	16.43	1.966	1.4	-0.321	0.657	0.562	1.703	2.0	0.078
VAC	7,631	29.91	16.84	2.002	1.097	-0.313	0.923	0.480	1.445	4.6	0.247
EMLMI	11,920	30.79	17.02	2.380	0.874	-0.271	1.139	0.5	1.835	3.6	0.170

Table A1.2. The ESE parameter set, with Hybrid $h(t)$ and the Invariant parameterization of $b_{c2}(\varepsilon)$ for data *not corrected for magnetic selffield*.

Nb ₃ Sn Conductor	C (AT)	$B_{c2}^*(0,0)$ (T)	Core Scaling Parameters							p^\dagger	q^\dagger	RMSFD (%)	RMS (%)
			$T_c^*(0)$ (K)	η	s	ε_m^{**} (%)	c_2	c_3	c_4				
OST-RRP [®]	47,954	27.58	16.65	2.252	1.210	0.302	1.016	0.717	0.183	0.5	2.061	7.3	0.104
WST-ITER	19,772	29.62	16.53	2.023	1.356	0.305	0.823	0.424	0.118	0.577	1.855	4.5	0.106
LUVATA	14,166	28.60	16.21	1.966	1.4	0.323	0.660	0.669	1.136	0.562	1.709	2.0	0.082
VAC	7,654	28.92	16.45	1.972	1.040	0.311	0.893	0.376	0.053	0.512	1.549	4.5	0.219
EMLMI	11,419	28.81	16.71	2.405	0.851	0.273	1.051	0.610	0.258	0.5	1.883	3.6	0.156



Default Core Parameters

Survey of core values for fully optimized ternary high- J_c Nb₃Sn → average default values:

$$\begin{aligned}T_c^*(0) &= 16.7 \text{ K} \\ \eta &= 2.0 \text{ (ITER)} - 2.2 \text{ (RRP)} \\ s &= 1.2 \text{ (RRP)} - 1.4 \text{ (ITER)} \\ \rho &= 0.5 \text{ and } q = 2.0.\end{aligned}$$

Additional meas. → “catalog” by generic conductor category
(e.g., Ti vs. Ta doping, RRP, internal Sn, etc.)



Future Work

Immediate need: (huge dividends)

1. * Measure $I_c(B, T)$ above 4.2 K for at least one conductor of the RRP and PIT production wires for the Hi-Lumi (to obtain T_c^* and η).

Longer term:

2. Compile core parameters in different types of Nb_3Sn – catalog values
3. Evaluate accuracy of ESE in extreme regions of $B-T-\epsilon$ space for magnet modeling
4. Magnetization vs. transport I_c data
5. Assess if scaling constants hold for artificial-pinning-center architectures
6. ESE relationship for BSCCO, MgB_2 , Nb_3Al , YBCO? (**master curve \rightarrow extrapolation**)

Conclusion

- ESE is based on fundamental raw scaling data
- But unlike fundamental scaling, applied as a fitting equation– quick, straightforward
- Simple, robust, and
- Can interpolate and extrapolate with excellent accuracy \rightarrow significant time savings

Excel source data & ESE spreadsheet tool at www.ResearchMeasurements.com
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