

Materials 2: Granta and Materials Selection

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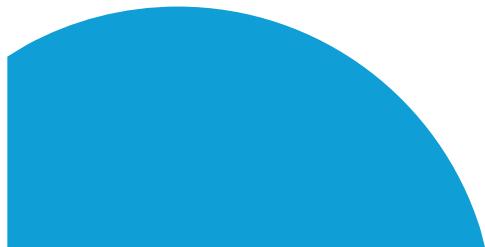
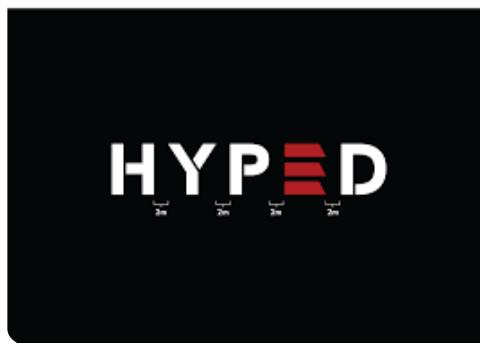
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quick start ⭐ what's new + add database

Databases

Introductory Advanced

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Level 1

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The Elements

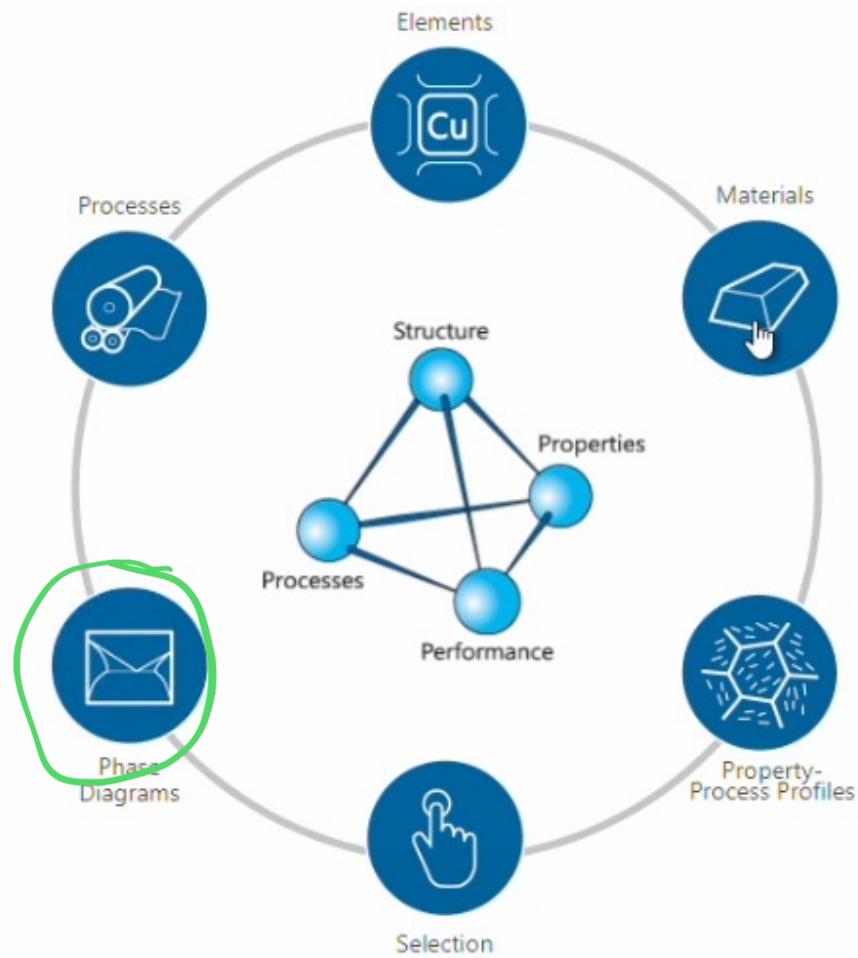
Materials Science and Engineering

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Materials Science and Engineering

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Browse Database: Materials Science and Engineering Change... Table: MaterialUniverse Subset: All materials

Material Universe

- Biological materials
- Ceramics and glasses
- Functional materials
- Hybrids: composites and foams
- Man-made fibers
- Metals and alloys
- Polymers and elastomers

Materials Science and Engineering

Materials

Select Subset

All materials	Biological materials	Non-technical ceramics	Technical ceramics
Glasses	Functional materials	Composites	Foams
Metals and alloys	Polymers and elastomers		

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Materials Science and Engineering

Materials

Select Subset

Subset selected

Glasses

This subset contains the most commonly-used glass materials. These are non-crystalline solids that are hard and brittle.

All materials	Biological materials	Non-technical ceramics	Technical ceramics
Glasses	Functional materials	Composites	Foams
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MaterialUniverse
Ceramics and glasses
Glasses
Borosilicate glass
Glass ceramic
Silica glass
Soda-lime glass

Silica glass

Datasheet view: All properties Show/Hide Find Similar

Ceramics and glasses > Glasses >

Description

Image

Caption

1. Halogen bulb. © Stefan Wermli, stef at en.wikipedia - (CC BY-SA 2.5) 2. Silica glass used for very high-power lamp envelopes. © ANSYS, Inc.

The material

Fused silica, a glass of great transparency, is nearly pure SiO₂, it has an exceptionally high melting point and is difficult to work, but, more than any other glass, it resists temperature and thermal shock.

Composition (summary) ⓘ

SiO₂

General properties

Density	ⓘ 2.17e3 - 2.22e3 kg/m ³
Price	ⓘ * 5.11 - 8.56 GBP/kg
Date first used	ⓘ 1905

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Maximum and minimum service temperatures

[Definitions and measurement.](#)
[Further reading.](#)

Definitions and measurement. It is helpful, in engineering design, to define two empirical temperatures: the *maximum* and *minimum service temperatures* T_{max} and T_{min} (units for both: K or C). The first tells us the highest temperature at which the material can reasonably be used without oxidation, chemical change or excessive deflection or "creep" becoming a problem (the *continuous use temperature*, or CUT is a similar measure). The second is the

Silica glass

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Young's modulus	71.2	-	74.8	GPa
Shear modulus	* 30.8	-	32.3	GPa
Bulk modulus	* 34.3	-	36.1	GPa
Poisson's ratio	0.15	-	0.16	
Yield strength (elastic limit)	* 152	-	168	MPa
Tensile strength	* 152	-	168	MPa
Compressive strength	* 1.52e3	-	1.68e3	MPa
Elongation	* 0.2	-	0.24	% strain
Hardness - Vickers	457	-	504	HV
Fatigue strength at 10^7 cycles	* 144	-	159	MPa
Fracture toughness	* 0.65	-	0.67	MPa.m ^{0.5}
Mechanical loss coefficient (tan delta)	* 8e-6	-	2e-5	

Thermal properties

Glass temperature	957	-	1.22e3	°C
Maximum service temperature	897	-	1.1e3	°C
Minimum service temperature	-273	-		°C
Thermal conductor or insulator?	Poor insulator			
Thermal conductivity	1.2	-	1.5	W/m.°C
Specific heat capacity	* 700	-	750	J/kg.°C
Thermal expansion coefficient	0.51	-	0.55	μstrain/°C

Electrical properties

Electrical conductor or insulator?	Good insulator			
Electrical resistivity	1e23	-	1e25	μohm.cm
Dielectric constant (relative permittivity)	3.6	-	3.9	
Dissipation factor (dielectric loss tangent)	* 3.4e-5	-	3.8e-5	
Dielectric strength (dielectric breakdown)	* 12	-	14	MV/m

Optical properties

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g, below which they cease to be elastic and become hard and, often, brittle.

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Further reading.

Author	Title	Chapter
Ashby et al	Materials: Engineering, Science, Processing and Design	12, 13
Ashby & Jones	Engineering Materials Vol 1 & 2	Vol. 1, Chap. 20, 22

Further reference details

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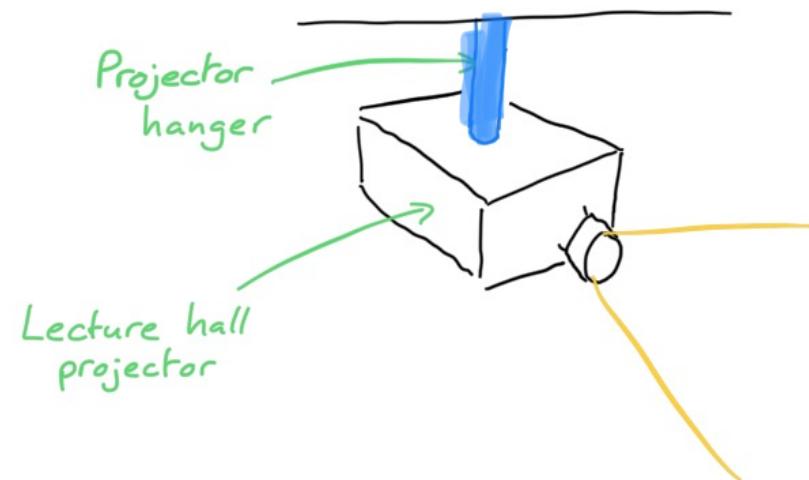


Example: Select a material to hang projectors

The university has ordered 1000 new projectors to install in lecture theatres.

They need to be hung from the ceiling, and the university wants to minimize the carbon footprint of this work.

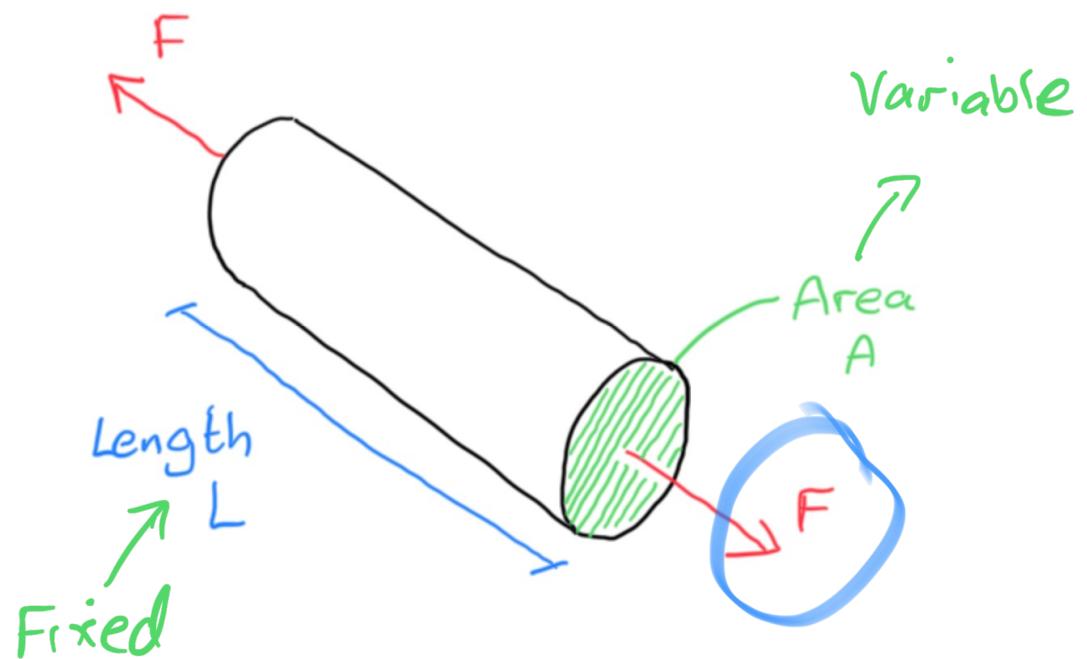
Choose a material for the hangers to support the projectors with minimum embodied carbon.



Define the problem

Resist force F

Minimise embodied carbon (CO_{2e})

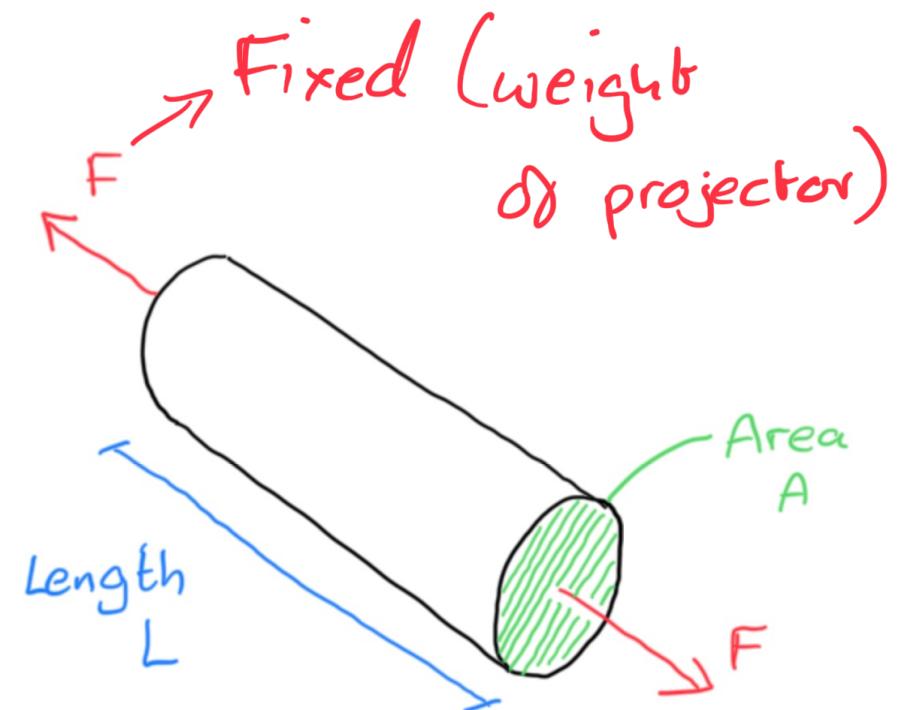


Define the problem

Calculate F, the force that can be resisted

$$F_d = \sigma \times A$$

↑
yield
stress

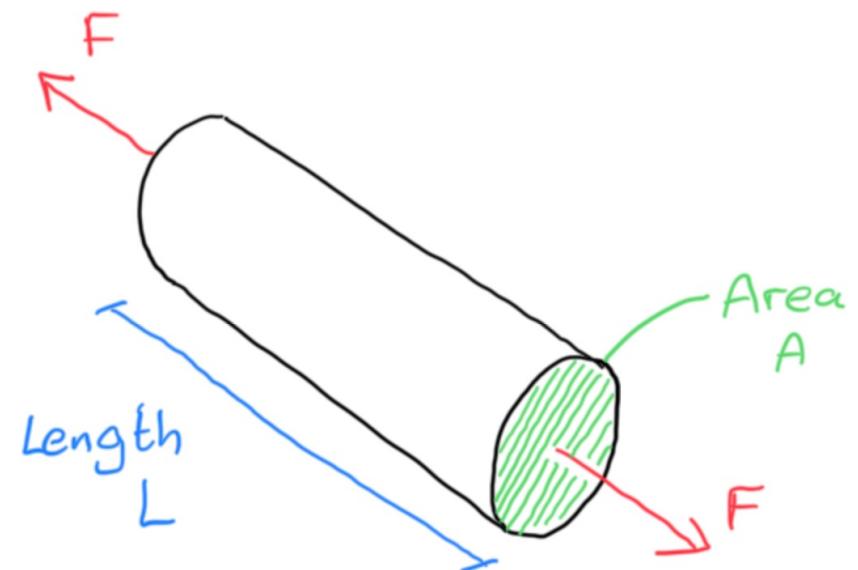


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Calculate F, the force that can be resisted

$$F = \sigma_y \times A$$

... so we need the yield strength of the material

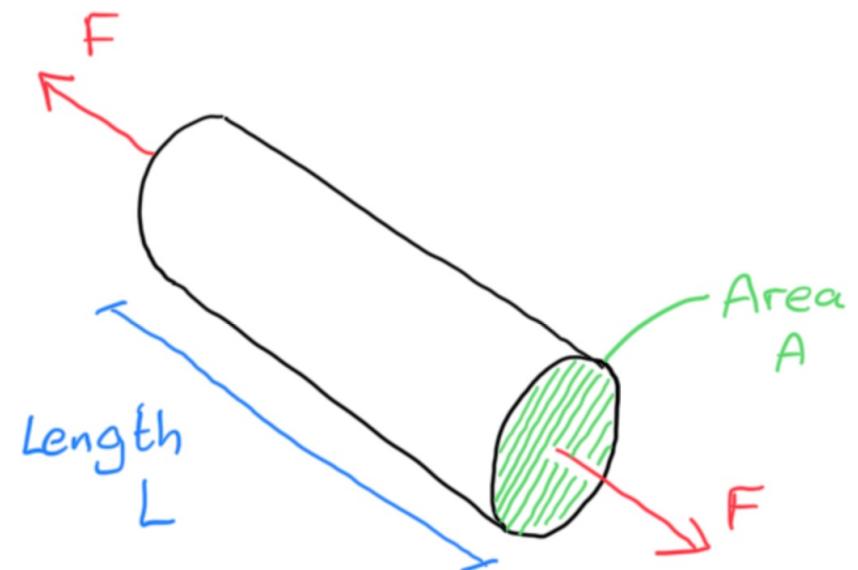


Define the problem

Calculate CO₂e:

↑
Carbon dioxide equivalent

- Density
- Embodied carbon per kg



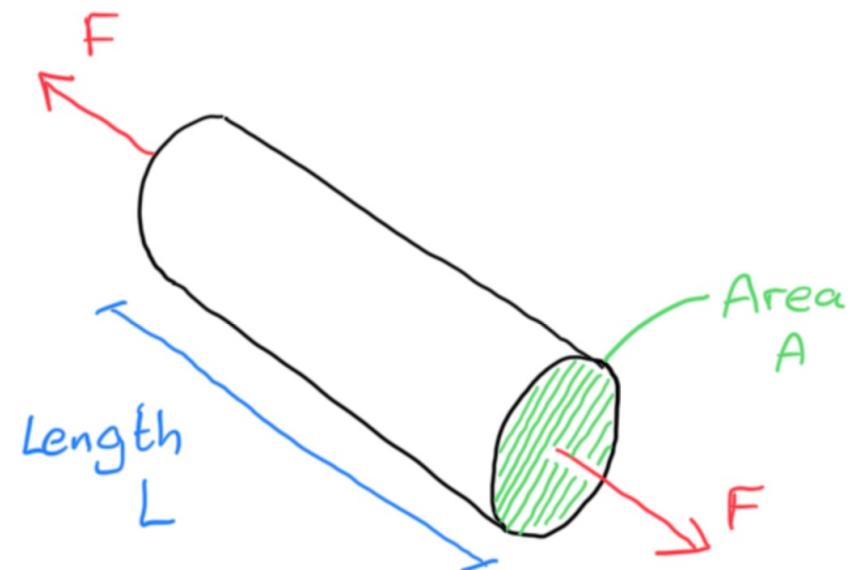
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Calculate CO₂e:

$$CO_2e = c \times m$$

... m is the mass, and c is the embodied carbon per kg

$$m = \rho \times V = \rho \times A \times L$$



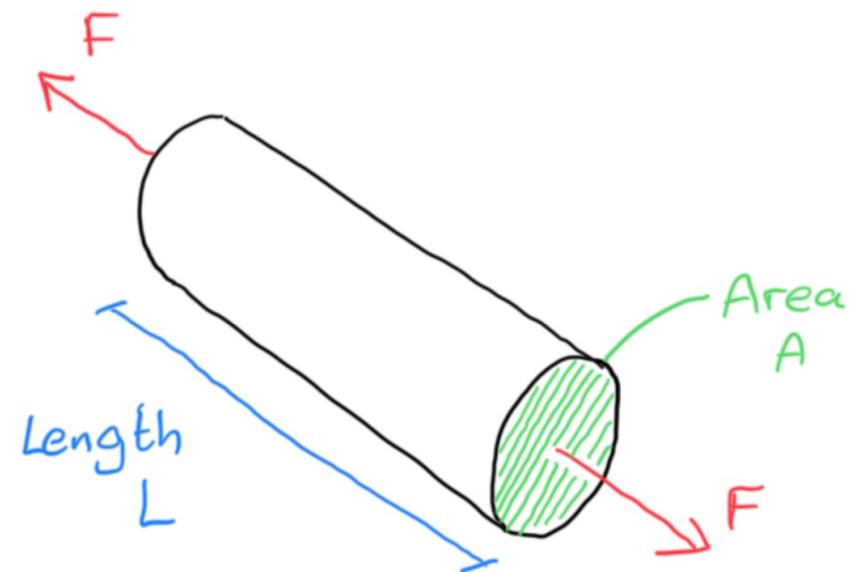
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“Carbon Footprint” in Granta

$$\begin{aligned} CO_2e &= V \times \rho \times c \\ &= \underline{\underline{A \times L \times \rho \times c}} \end{aligned}$$

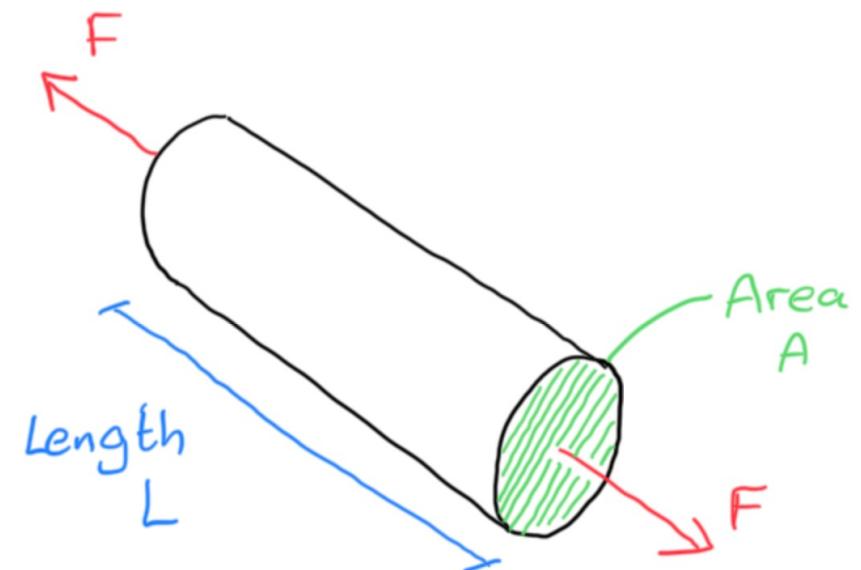


But wait...

Calculate CO₂e:

$$CO_2e = \textcircled{A} \times L \times \rho \times c$$

... this depends on area too



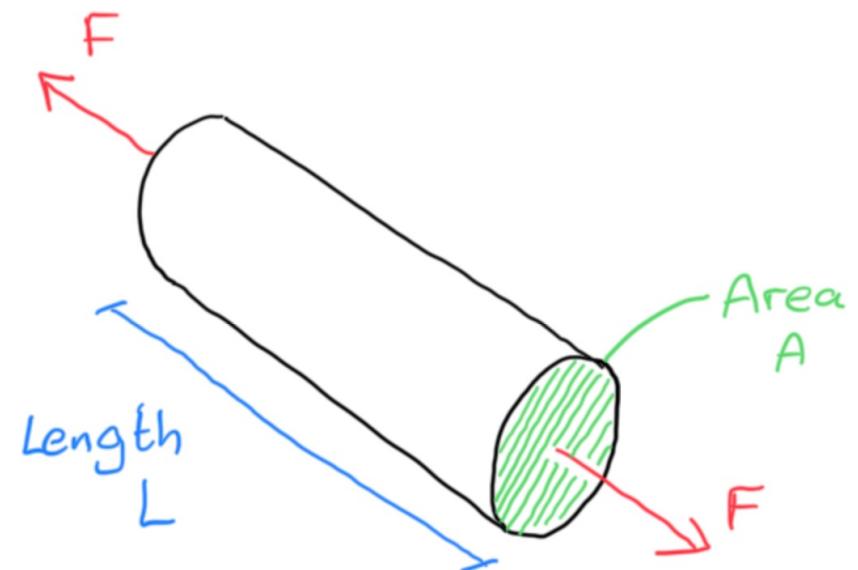
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for the minimum of:

$$\frac{CO_2 e}{F}$$

$$= \frac{\kappa \times L \times \rho \times c}{\sigma_y \times A}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\rho c}{\sigma_y} \right) \times L$$

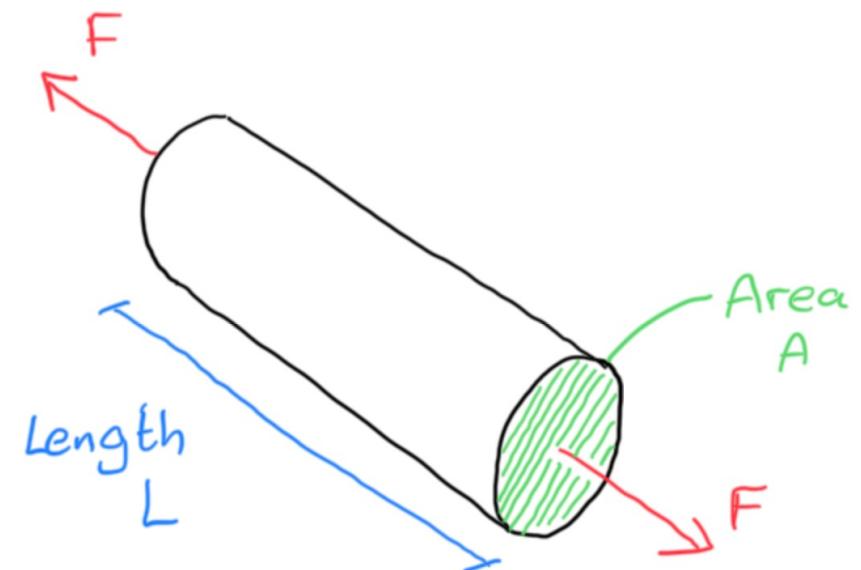


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$$\frac{CO_2e}{F} = \frac{\rho c}{\sigma_y} \times L$$

... so let's plot density times carbon footprint against yield stress.



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Level 2

change database first steps

1. Select a table

MaterialUniverse >

ProcessUniverse

Reference

Producers

2. Filter by subset

	All Materials		Composites		Elastomers		Foams
	Glasses		Metals and Alloys		Natural Materials		Non-Technical Ceramics
	Polymers		Technical Ceramics				

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Selection Project

1. Selection Data
Database: Level 2 Change...

Select from: MaterialUniverse: All materials

2. Selection Stages
Chart/Index Limit Tree

3. Results: 100 of 100 pass
Show: Pass all Stages
Rank by: Alphabetical

Name

- Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (A...
- Age-hardening wrought Al-alloys
- Alumina
- Aluminum nitride
- Aluminum/Silicon carbide composite
- Bamboo
- Boron carbide
- Borosilicate glass
- Brass
- Brick
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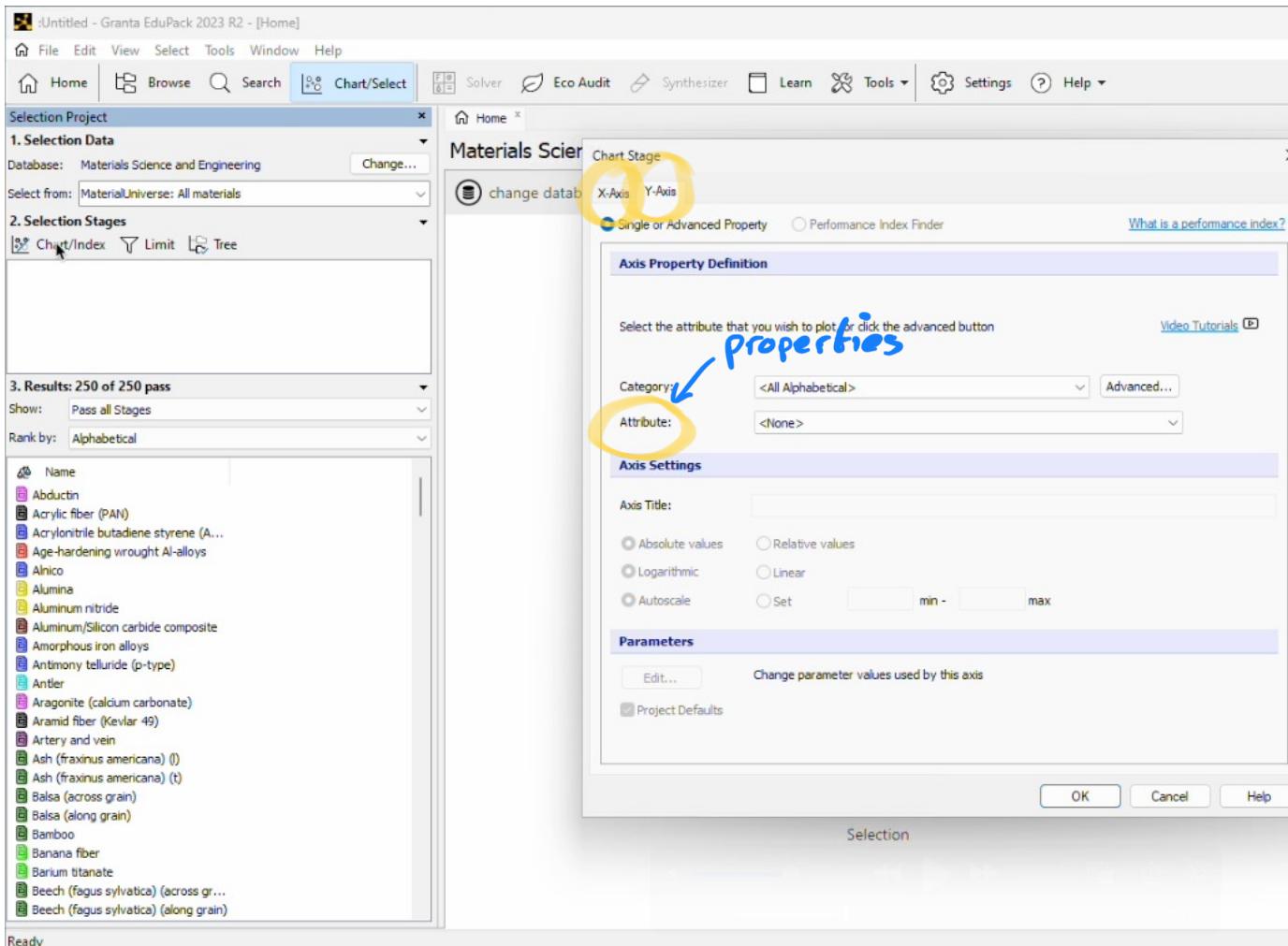
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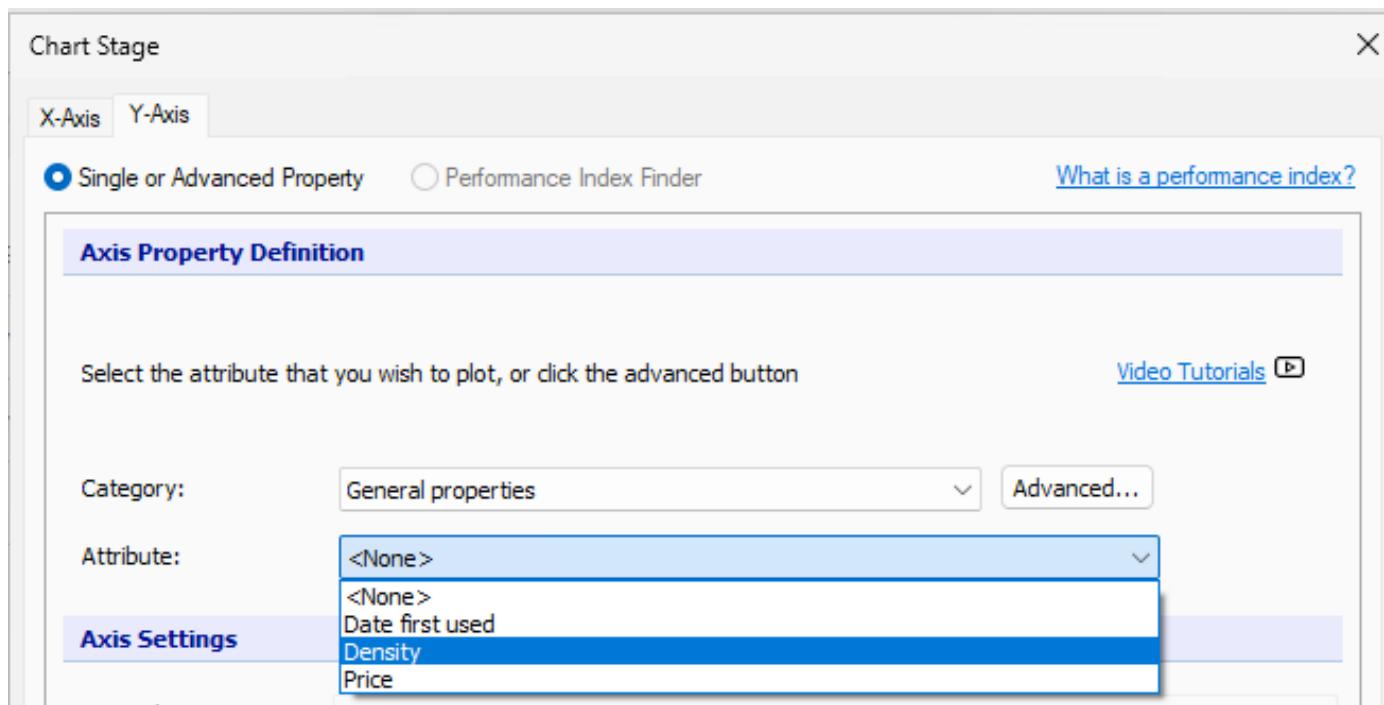
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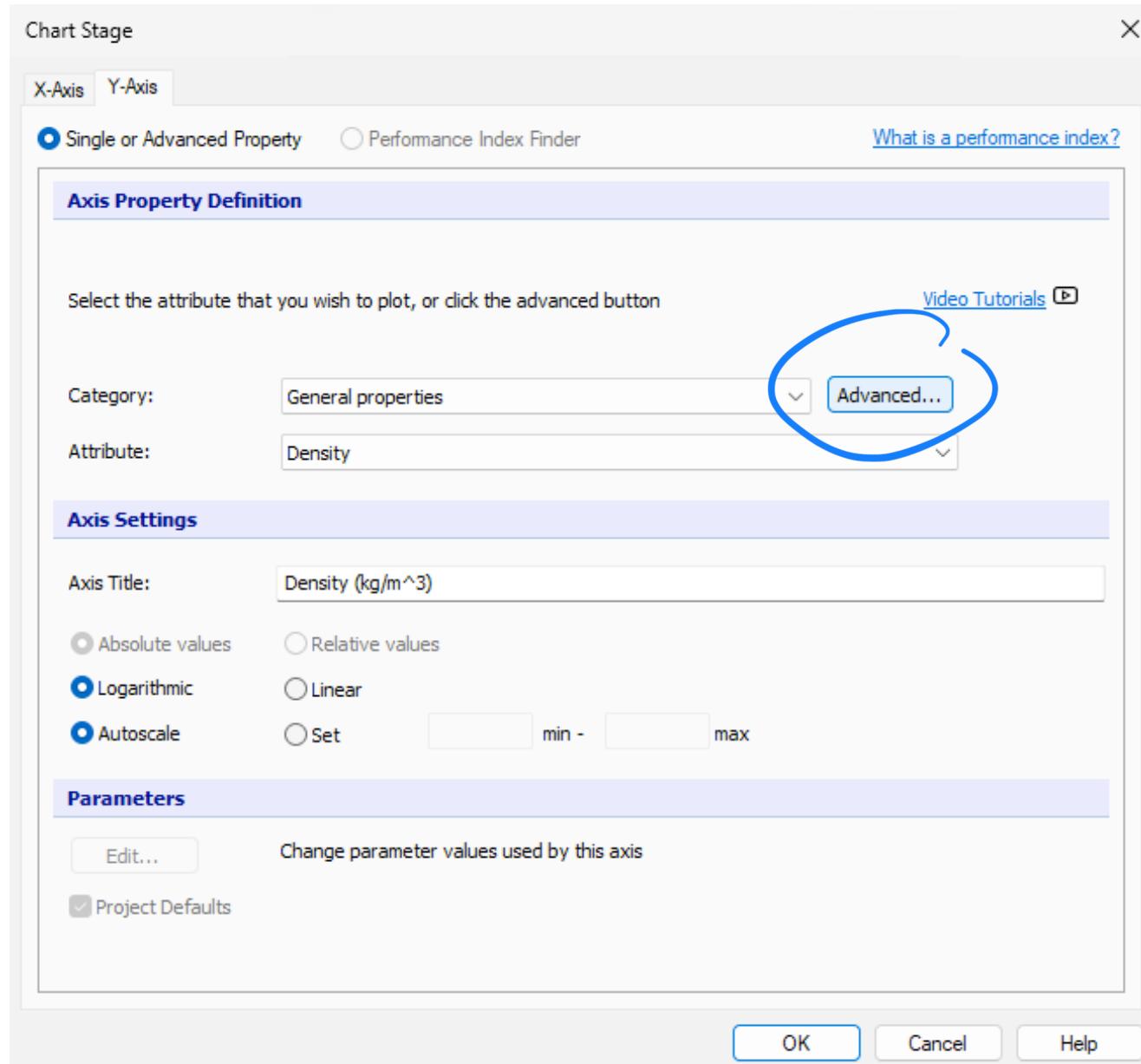
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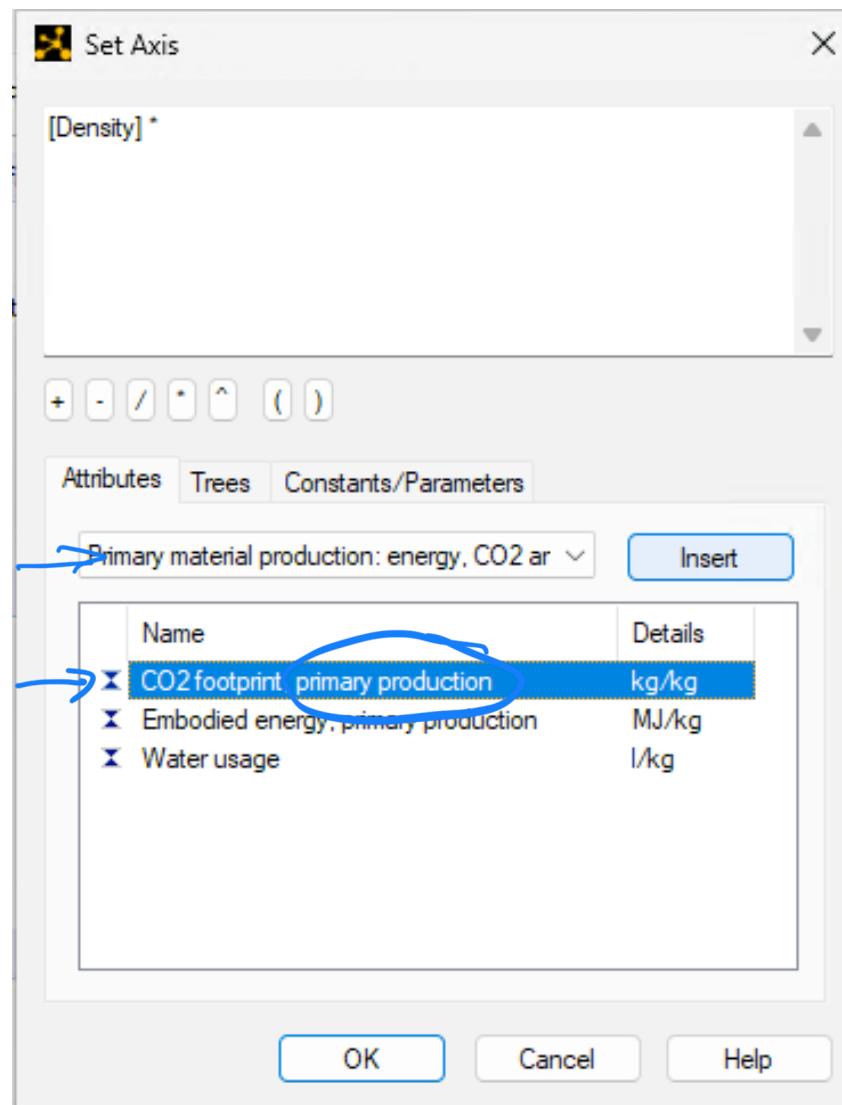
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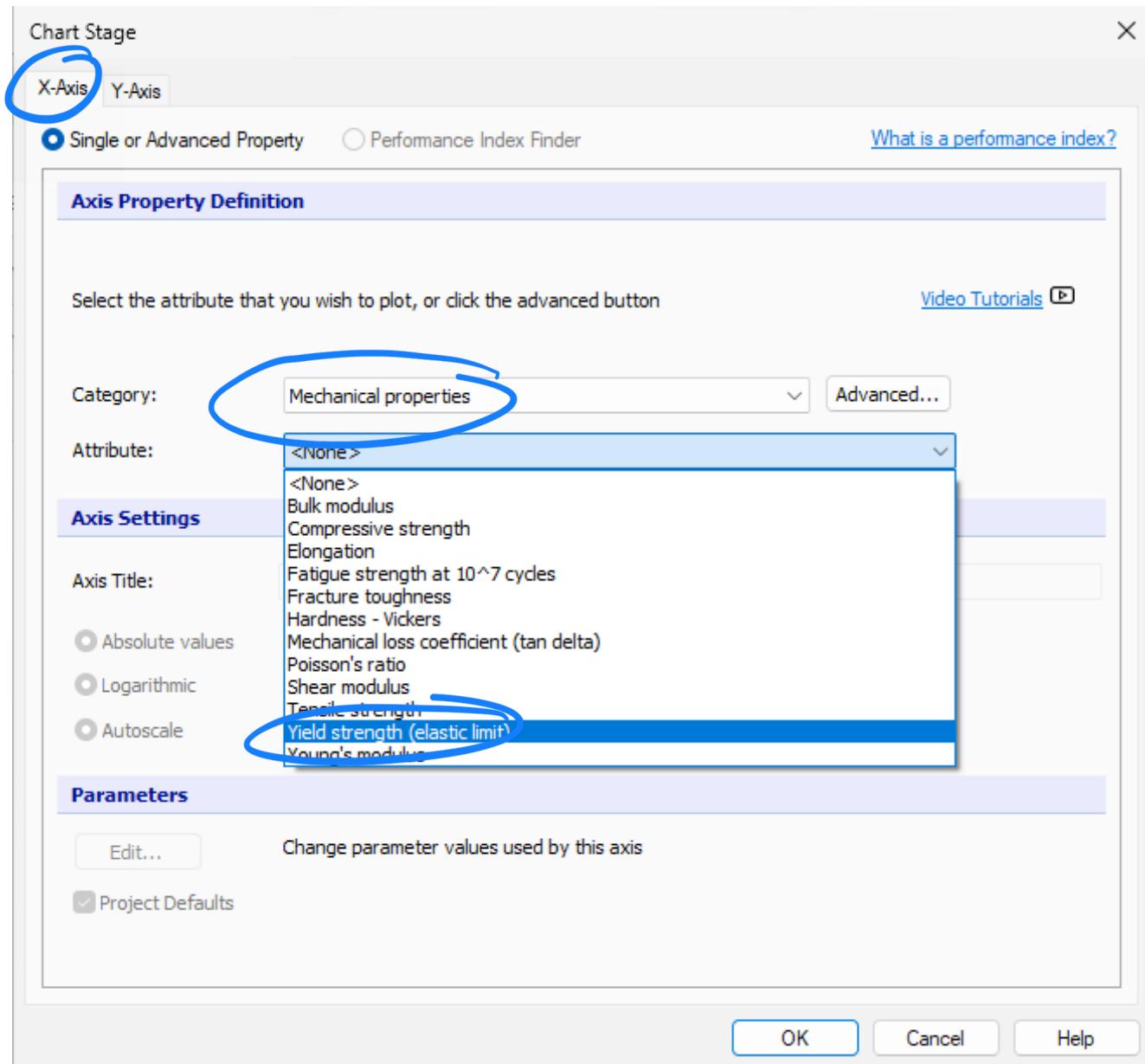
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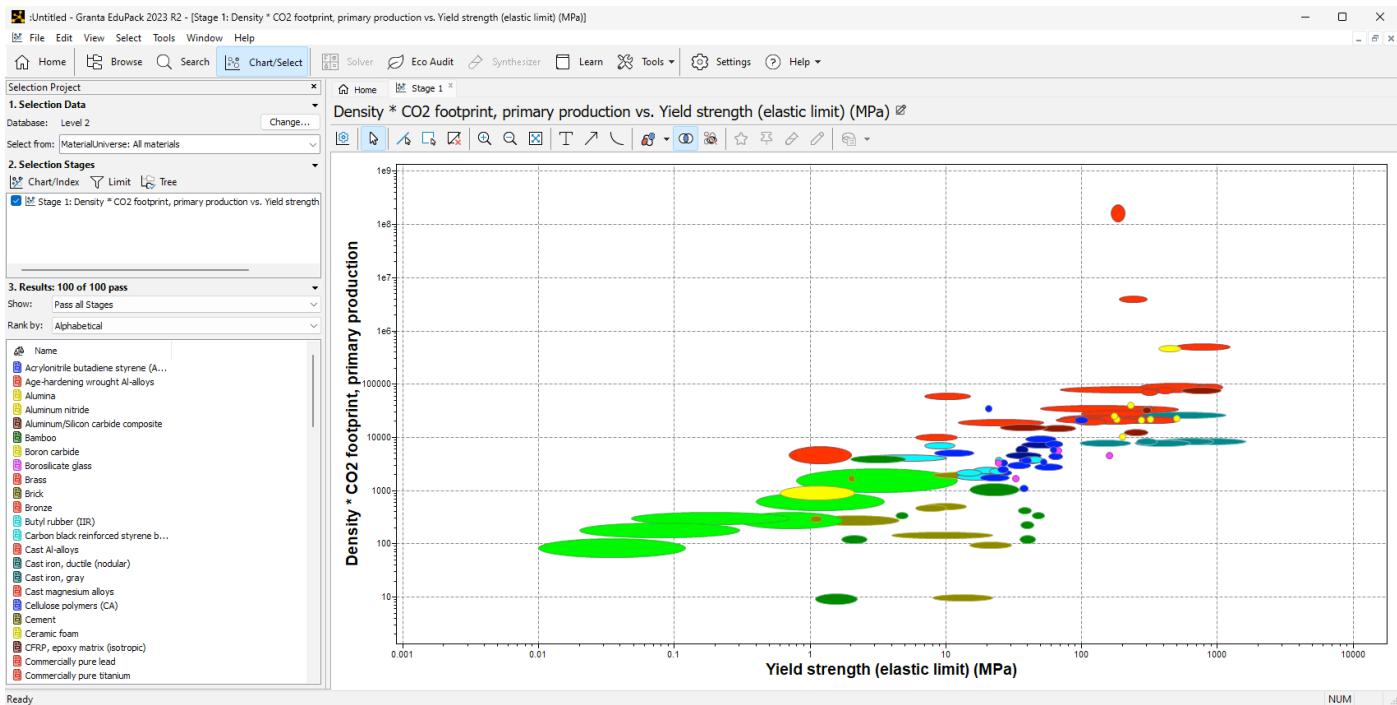


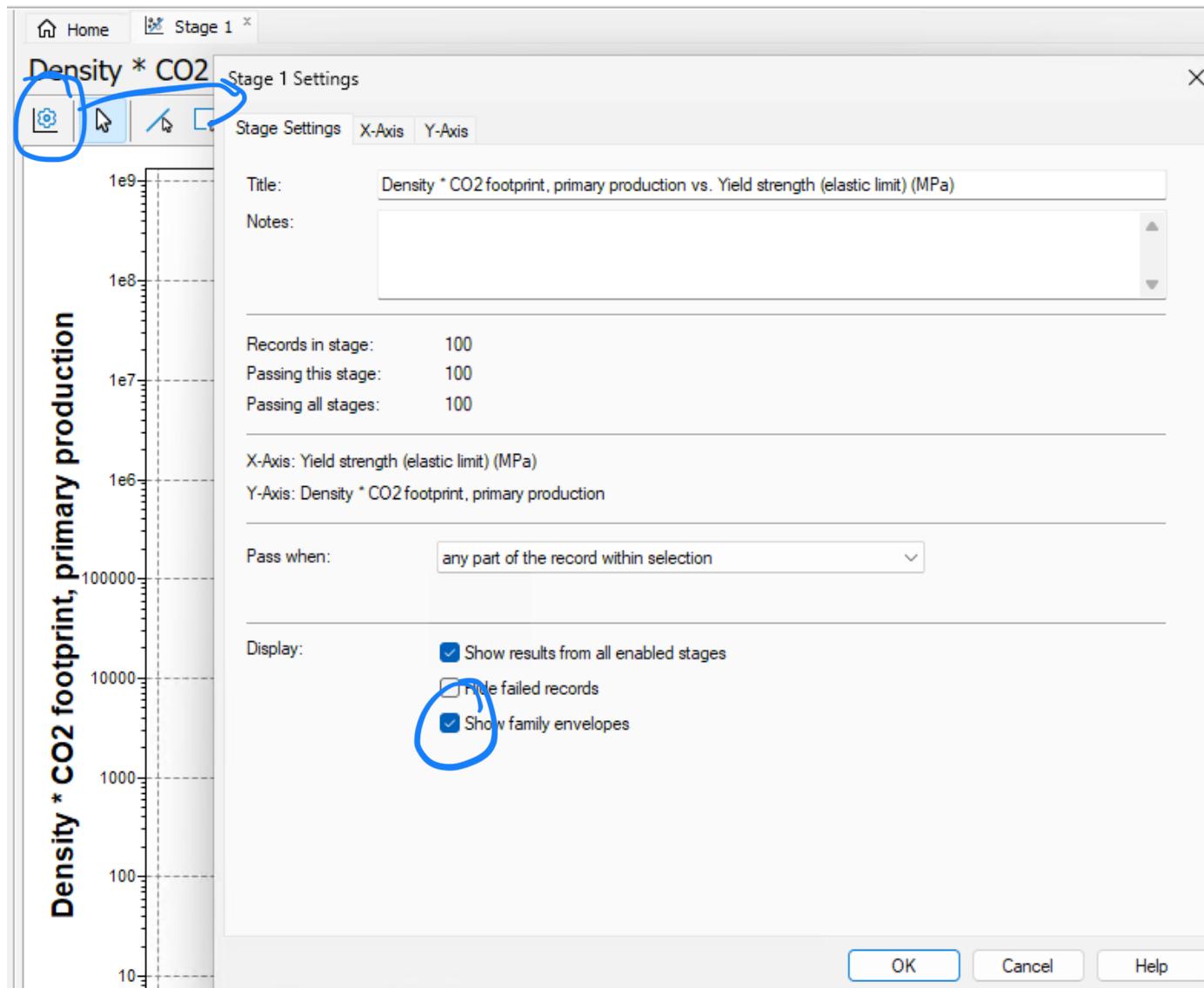




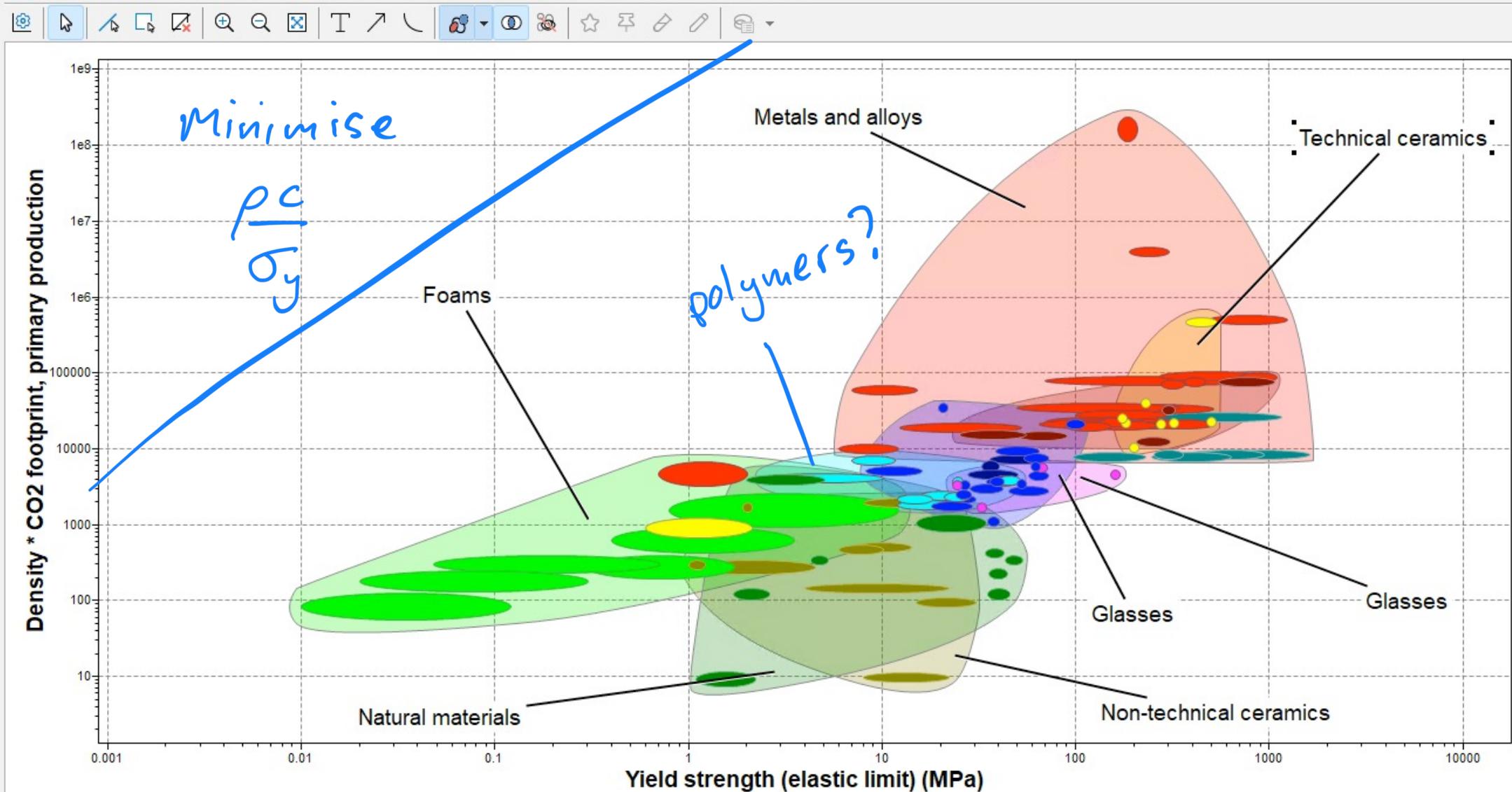




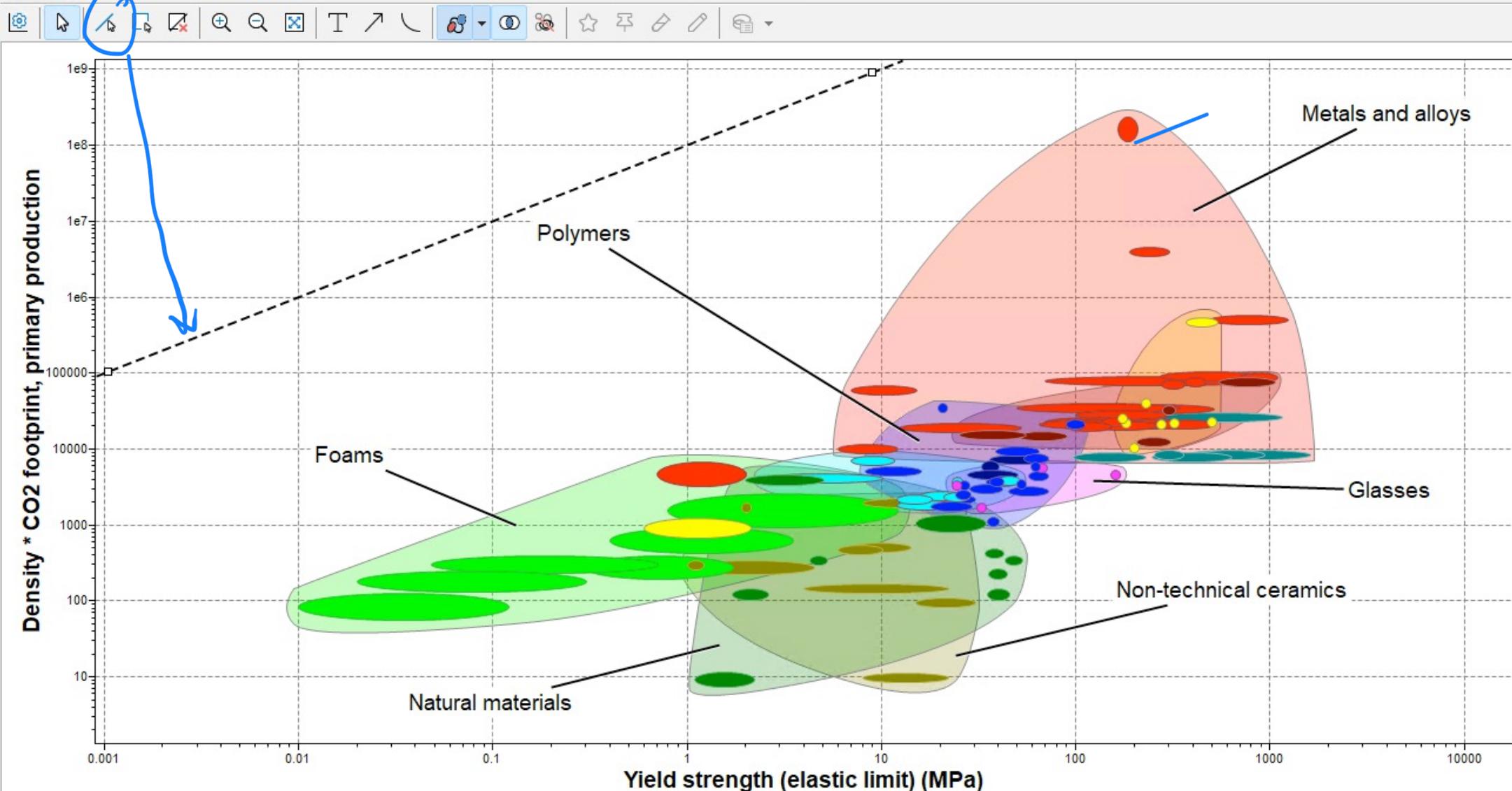


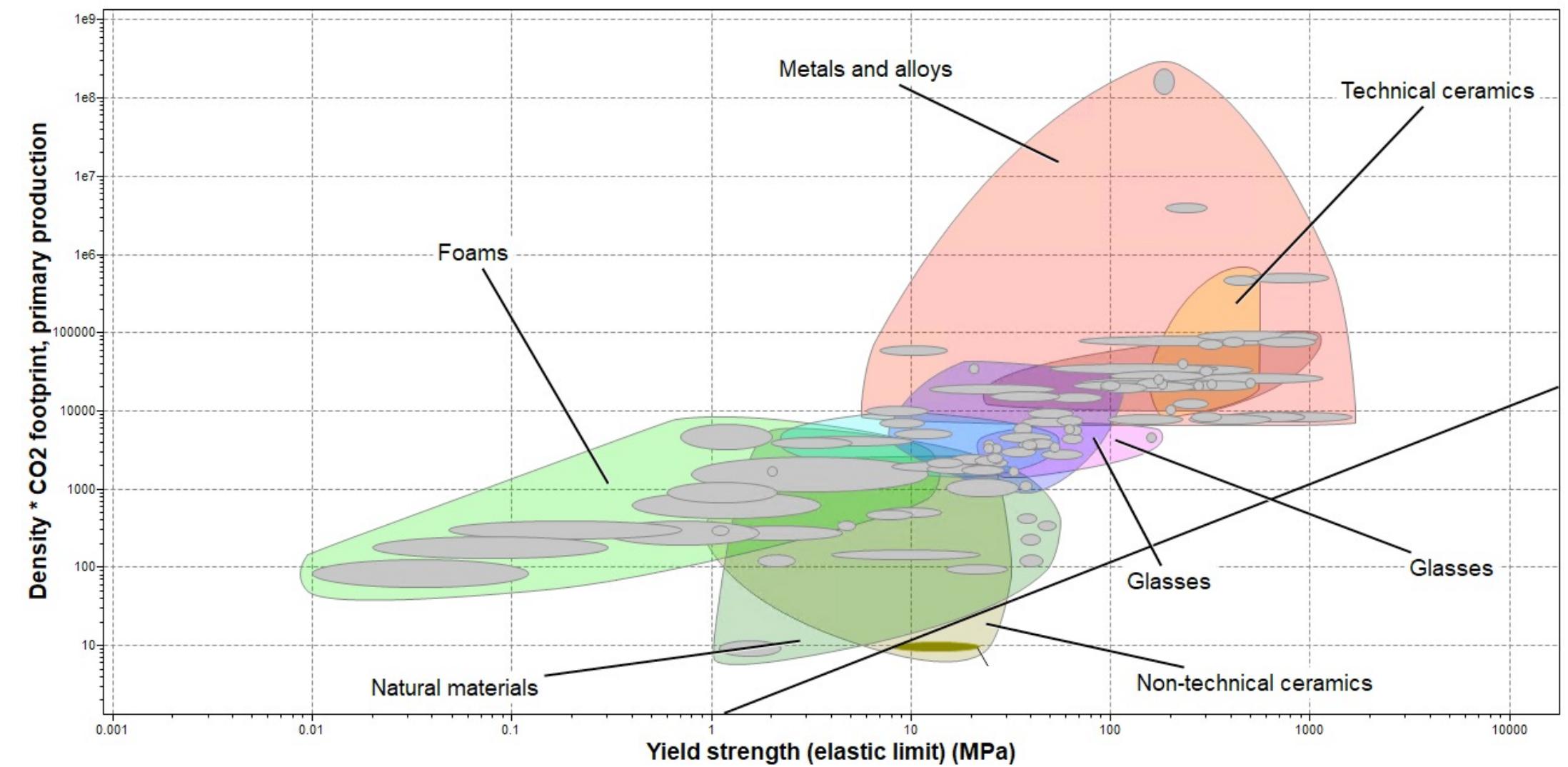


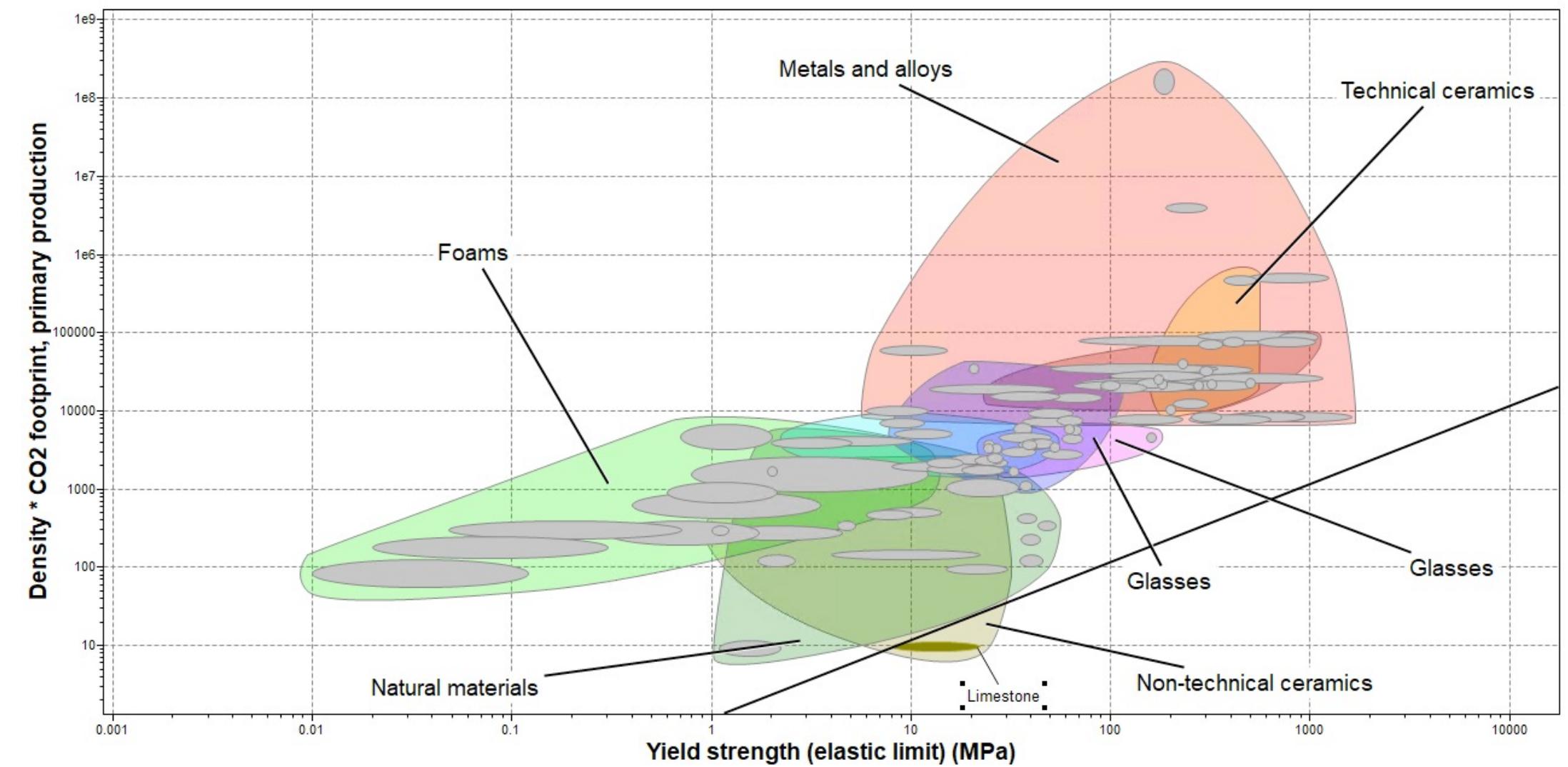
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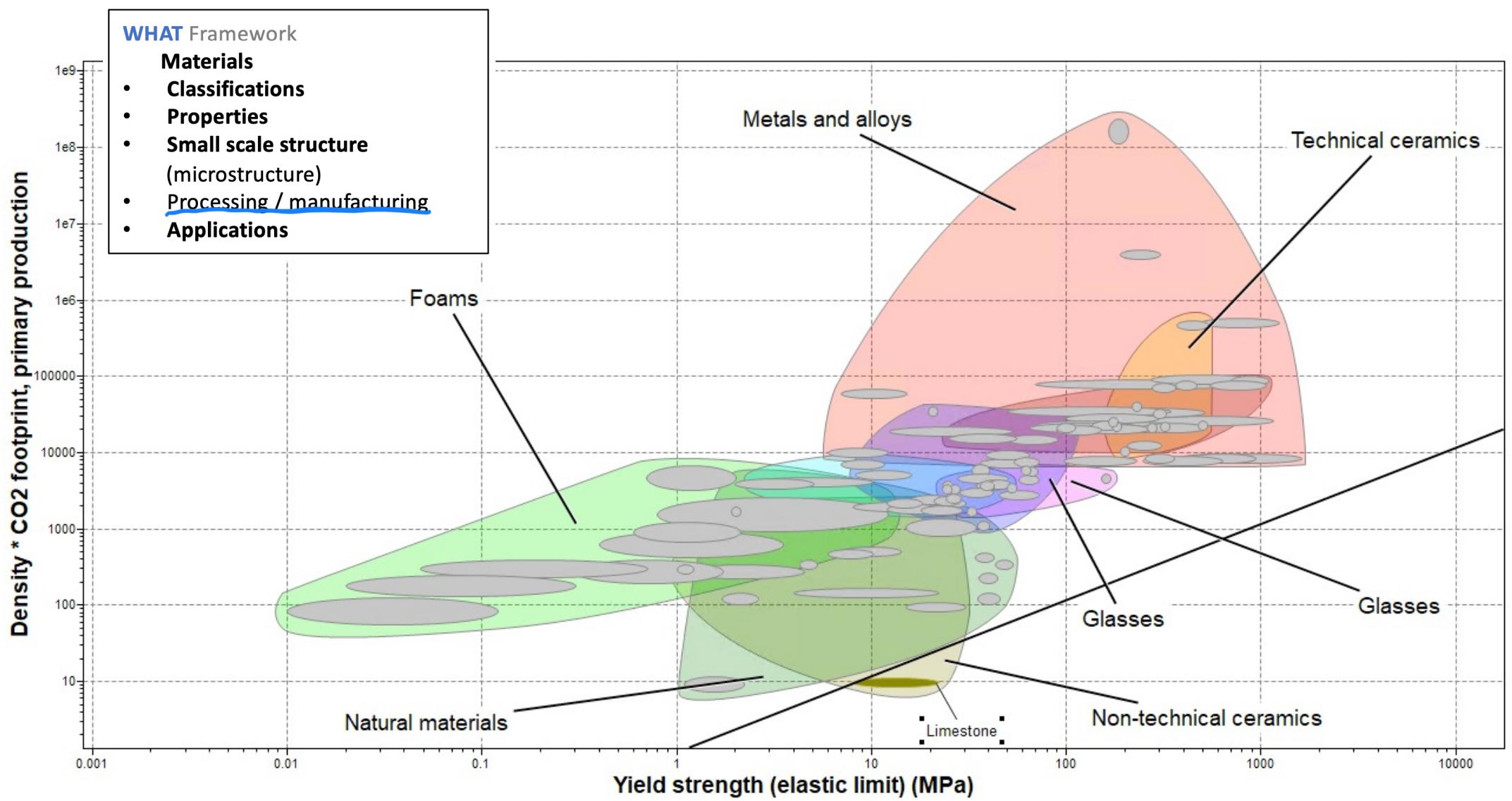


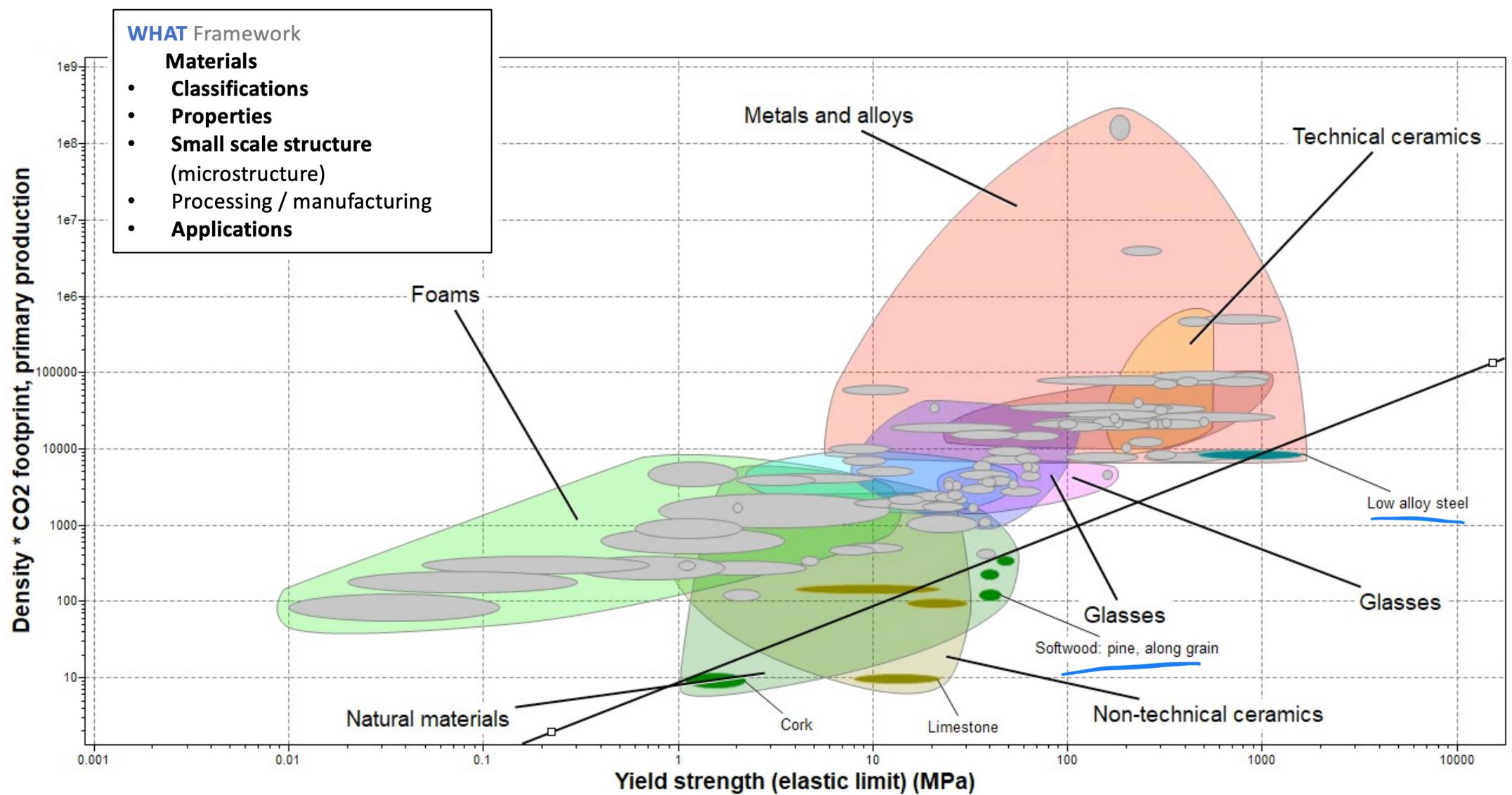
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Defining the problem: what properties matter?

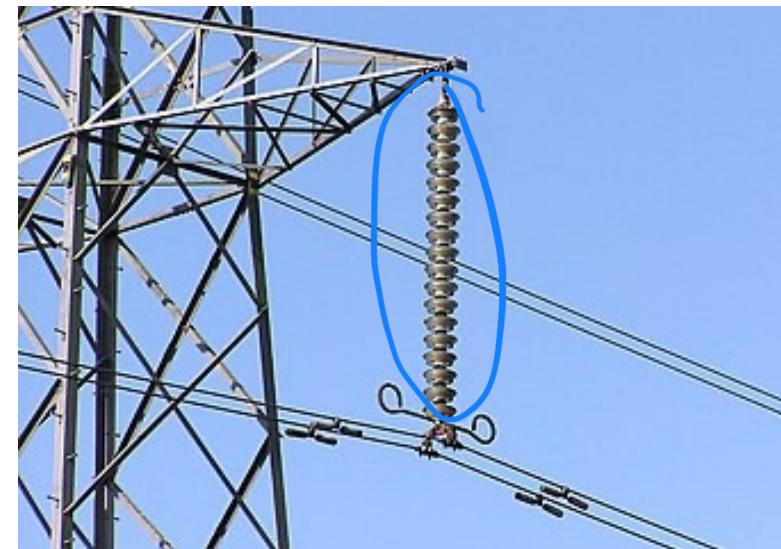
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Connection between high voltage lines and pylon structure
(Insulator string)

low conductivity

durability

thermal



Defining the problem: what properties matter?

Connection between high voltage lines and pylon structure

- Electrical conductivity
- Strength
- Elastic modulus
- Durability
- Operating temperature
- Embodied carbon
- Cost



Defining the problem: what properties matter?

Thermal insulation for buildings

Cost

Health hazard

Fire resistance

thermal conductivity



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Defining the problem: what properties matter?

Thermal insulation for buildings

- Thermal conductivity
- Moisture sensitivity
- Compressive strength
- Ease of installation
- Durability
- ...



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Defining the problem: what properties matter?

Thermal insulation for buildings

...

- Toxicity
- Flammability
- Embodied carbon



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