



# Two Phase Flows

(Section 14)

## VOID FRACTION AND PRESSURE DROP IN SUBCOOLED BOILING

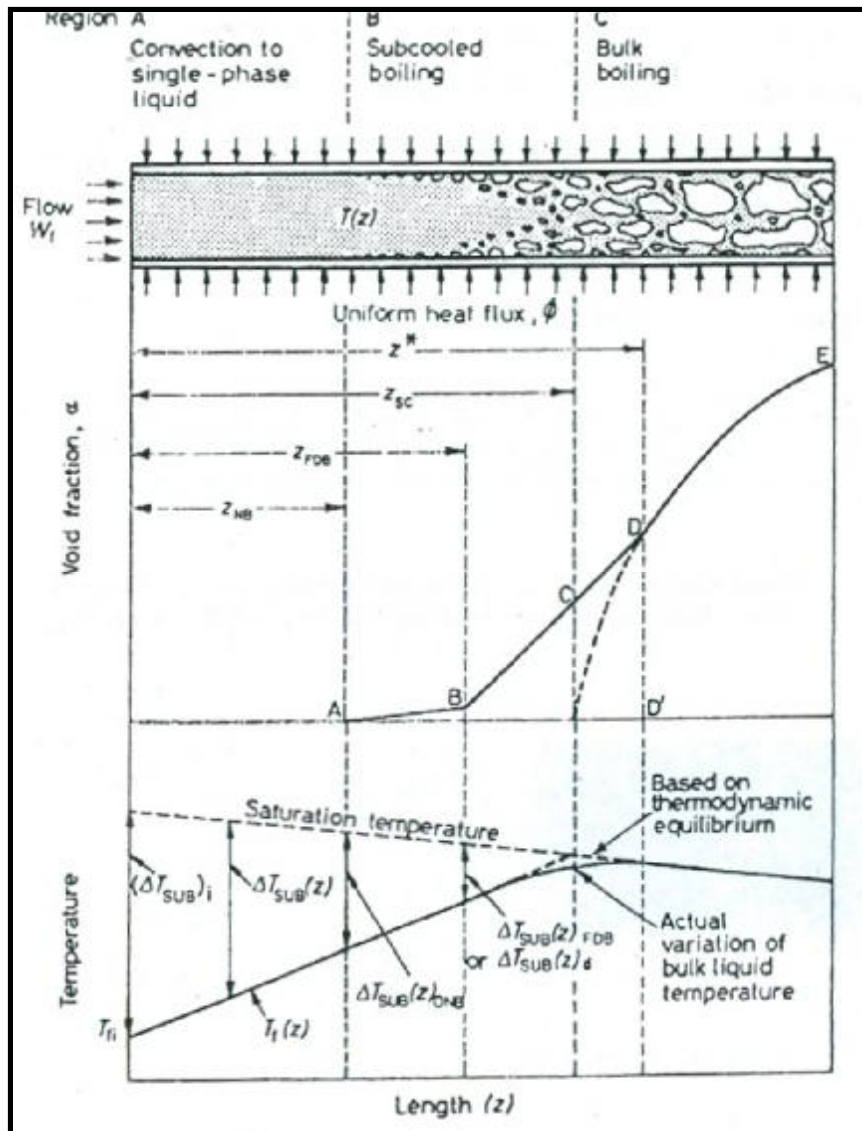
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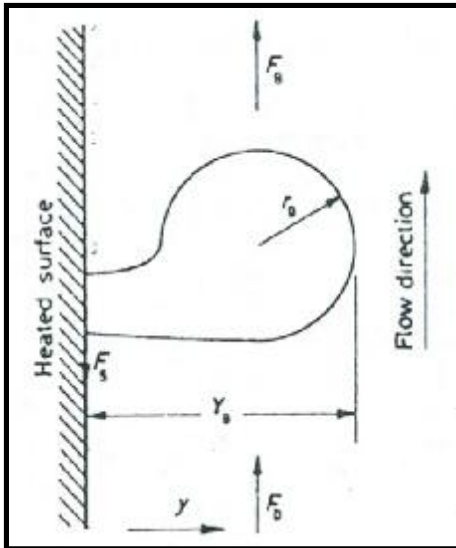
Highly subcooled region:

$$a_w = \left(\frac{P_h}{S}\right) \left(\frac{4}{3} p r^3\right) \left(\frac{1}{AS}\right) = \frac{16}{3} p \frac{r}{D_h} \left(\frac{r}{S}\right)^2$$

$$a_w \approx \left(\frac{p}{3}\right) \frac{r}{D_h} \approx \left(\frac{p}{6}\right) \frac{Y_B}{D_h}$$

$$Y_B = 0.015 \left[ \frac{s D_e}{t_w} \right]$$

# Point of departure of vapor bubbles



$$\Delta T_{SUB}(z)_d = h \frac{f}{Gu_f}$$

$$C_B g (r_f - r_g) r_B^3 + C_F \frac{t_w}{D_e} r_B^3 - C_S r_B S = 0$$

$$Y_B = C \left[ \frac{S D_e}{t_w} \right]^{1/2} \left[ 1 + C' \left( \frac{g (r_f - r_g) D_e}{t_w} \right) \right]^{-1/2}$$

$$u^* = \sqrt{\frac{t_w}{r_f}}$$



$$Y_B^+ = \left[ \frac{Y_B u^* r_f}{m_f} \right] = C \frac{(S D_e r_f)^{1/2}}{m_f} \left[ 1 + C' \left( \frac{g (r_f - r_g) D_e}{t_w} \right) \right]^{-1/2}$$

$$T_B^+ = \frac{c_{pf} r_f u^*}{f} (T_w - T_B)$$

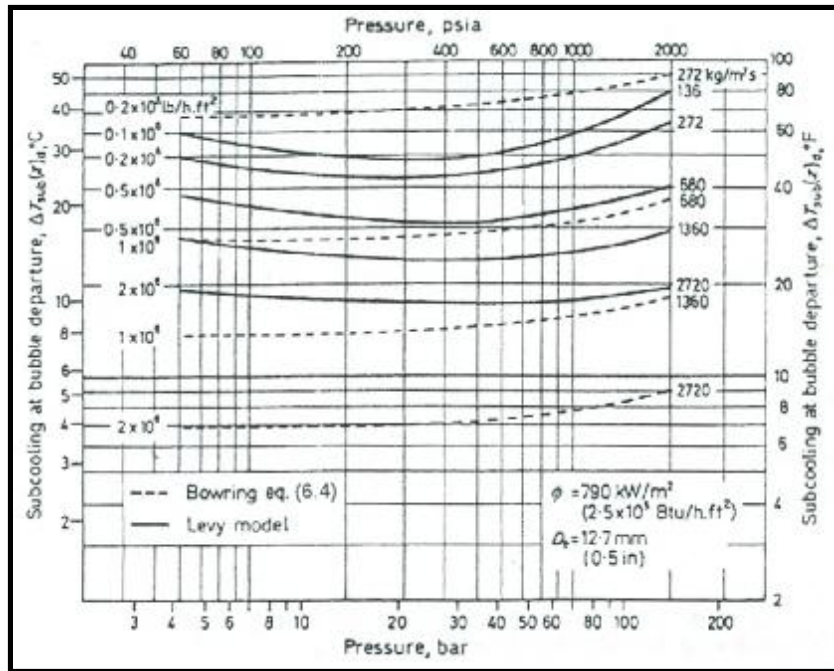
# Point of departure of vapor bubbles

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} T_B^+ = \text{Pr}_f Y_B^+ \quad 0 \leq Y_B^+ \leq 5 \\ T_B^+ = 5 \left[ \text{Pr}_f + \ln \left( 1 + \text{Pr}_f \left\{ \frac{Y_B^+}{5} - 1 \right\} \right) \right] \quad 5 \leq Y_B^+ \leq 30 \\ T_B^+ = 5 \left[ \text{Pr}_f + \ln (1 + 5 \text{Pr}_f) + 0.5 \ln \left\{ \frac{Y_B^+}{30} \right\} \right] \quad Y_B^+ \geq 30 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\Delta T_{SUB}(z)_d = f \left[ \frac{1}{h_{fo}} - \frac{T_B^+}{c_{pf} r_f u^*} \right]$$

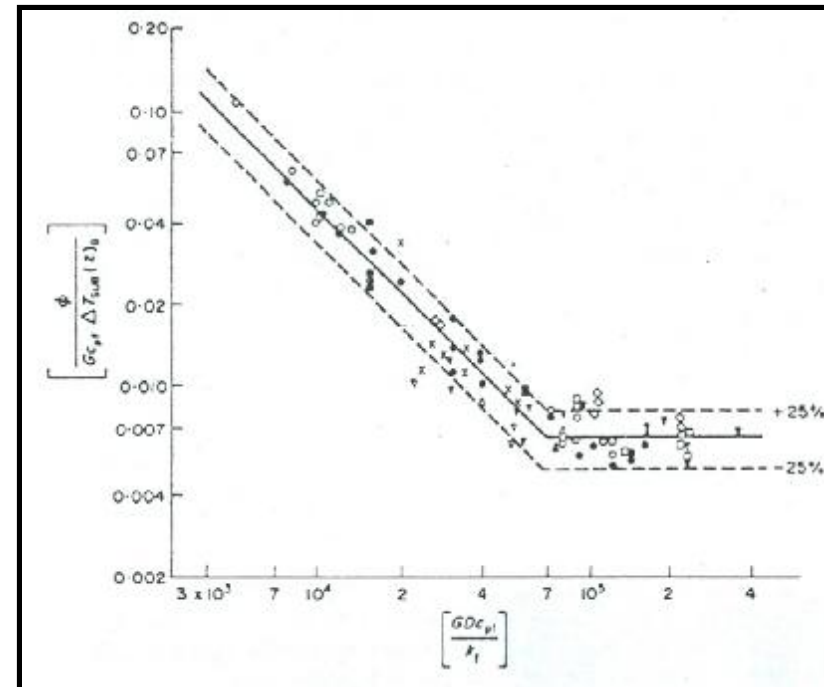


# Void fraction in subcooled boiling



$$\Delta T_{SUB} (z)_B = 153.8 \left[ \frac{f}{Gc_{pf}} \right]$$

$$\Delta T_{SUB} (z)_B = 0.0022 \left[ \frac{fD}{k_f} \right]$$



# Low subcooling region

$$z_d = \frac{Gc_{pf}D}{4} \left[ \frac{(\Delta T_{SUB})_i}{f} - \frac{h}{Gu_f} \right]$$

$$f = f_e + f_a + f_{SPL}$$

$$f_{SCB} = f_e + f_a$$

$$e = \frac{f_a}{f_e} = \left( \frac{r_f}{r_g} \right) \left( \frac{c_{pf}}{i_{fg}} \right) t$$

$$e = \left[ 1 + \frac{v_g}{v_f} \frac{c_{pf} \Delta T_{SUB}(z)}{i_{fg}} \right]$$

$$x'(z) = \frac{4}{DGi_{fg}} \left[ \frac{f - f_{SPL}}{1 - e} \right] (z - z_d)$$

$$\left( \frac{a_B}{1 - a_B} \right) = \left( \frac{r_f}{r_g} \right) \left( \frac{4}{DGi_{fg}} \right) \left( \frac{u_f}{u_g} \right) \left( \frac{f}{1 + e} \right) (z_{SC} - z_d)$$

$$\left( \frac{a_B}{1 - a_B} \right) \approx \left( \frac{r_f}{r_g} \right) \left( \frac{c_{pf} h f}{Gi_{fg} (u_g/u_f) (1 + e) v_f} \right)$$

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Empirical method of  
Thome et al.

$$a = \frac{Mx'}{1 + x'(M - 1)}$$

$$x' = \frac{i(z) - i'_B}{i_g - i'_B}$$

$$i'_B = i_f \left[ 1 - 0.0645 \frac{f}{G} \right]$$

$$T^* = \frac{\Delta T_{SUB}(z_0) - \Delta T_{SUB}(z)}{\Delta T_{SUB}(z_0)}$$

$$T^* = 1 - \exp(-Z^+)$$

$$T^* = \tanh Z^+$$

$$Z^+ = \frac{z - z_0}{z_{SC} - z_0}$$

$$x'(z) = \frac{c_{pf} \Delta T_{SUB}(z_0)}{i_{fg} + c_{pf} \Delta T_{SUB}(z_0)(1 - T^*)} (Z^+ - T^*)$$

$$a(z) = x'(z) / \left\{ \frac{C_0 (r_f - r_g)}{r_f} x'(z) + \left[ C_0 + \frac{\bar{u}_{gj}}{u_{f0}} \right] \left( \frac{r_f}{r_g} \right)^{-1} \right\}$$