

LUMINESCENCE BASED TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS IN MICRO CAVITATING FLOW

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Cavitation

- Phase change transition (A→C):
 liquid → vapor.
- Related to boiling $(A \rightarrow B)$
- Ambient pressure < liquid vapor pressure.





- Nucleation and growth of vapor bubbles
- Violent collapse → high temperatures & pressures in imploding bubble.

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Cavitation

• Hydrodynamic cavitation \rightarrow Bernoulli's principle





https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cavitation

• Acoustic cavitation \rightarrow rarefactions in soundwaves





- Neg.: Erosion, noise, efficiency decrease.
- Pos.: Chemical reactions, wastewater treatement, medical procedures,...
- Impurities in liquid → lowering cavitation threshold

Latent heat → Temperature gradients expected in flow

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Microfluidic cavitating flow







Microfluidic channels



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- Pyrex/Silicon/pyrex or Silicon/pyrex hybrid system
- Micromachining and DRIE
 process
- Anodic bonding of glass to silicon







Achromatic confocal microscope \rightarrow excitation and detection



- XYZ motion control of sample
- Ti:Sapphire laser + frequency doubling → tuneable range of pulsed excitation light

- Long working distance objective
- Confocal setup → confined acquisition volume
- Detection → monochromator and EMCCD











Temperature mapping in microchannels with fluorescein nanoprobes





- Raster scanning and recording spectrum.
- Steady state two phase flow
- 3D confinement of acquisition volume.



Luminescence intensity mapping \rightarrow temperature measurements





Luminescence intensity mapping \rightarrow Void fraction





Temperature mapping in microchannels with fluorescein nanoprobes

• Z = half way in channel; 1100g/h; 10bar.



• Latent heat \rightarrow thermal effect.



Temperature map



Intensity / Void fraction map



Temperature mapping in microchannels with fluorescein nanoprobes

- Multiple 2D mappings performed at different heights in channel.
- 3D flow characterisation







Conclusions

- Ratiometric intensity measurements → temperaure and void fraction mapping of cavitation flow.
- Confocal setup → Confined acquisition volume
 → 2D and 3D flow characterisation.
- Indications of strong thermal effects in cavitating flow.

Perspectives

 Hydrodynamic cavitation radical yield by chemiluminescence intensity measurements.

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