A prediction model of subcooled water flow boiling CHF for pressure in the range 0.1–20 MPa

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Abstract—Existing data for the critical heat flux (CHF) of subcooled water flow boiling have so far been limited within a comparatively high pressure regime, say, from 2.5 to 20.0 MPa. However, under the necessity of high flux removal of heat from fusion reactor components, some experiments have recently been made under low pressures, providing a tolerable number of reliable data for 0.1–2.5 MPa. Corresponding to this situation, this paper reports the result of an attempt of extending the applicable range of the author's previously presented model of subcooled flow boiling CHF to the low pressure regime. The extension is made preserving the structure of the model, and the model is endowed with the capability to predict CHF with nearly the same accuracy over a wide pressure range of 0.1–20.0 MPa.

1. INTRODUCTION

MANY EXPERIMENTAL studies have been made on critical heat flux (CHF) of subcooled water flow boiling in round tubes, so a number of experimental data are available (refs. [1, 2], for example). However, since the foregoing studies are mostly related to the conditions of devices such as nuclear power plants, the existing data with subcooling at the tube exit are in a range of pressures of, say, 2.5–20.0 MPa (corresponding vapor/liquid density ratio $\rho_v/\rho_L = 0.015-0.35$). Several experimental CHF data for nonaqueous fluids are also available (R-11 [3], R-12 [4], nitrogen [5] and helium [6], for example), and it is of interest to note that they are in nearly the same range of vapor/liquid density ratio as that of water.

As for the CHF of subcooled water flow boiling at pressures lower than the above, reliable data with subcooling at the tube exit have so far been scarce. However, under the necessity of high flux removal of heat from fusion reactor components, some experimental studies of CHF have recently been made under conditions of low pressure, high mass velocity, and comparatively small tube diameter [7–9]. These papers provide us with a considerable amount of CHF data (see Table 1 for the range of their experimental conditions).

Now, according to the analyses made in these recent studies, existing CHF correlations or models for subcooled flow boiling seem to lack the capability of giving an accurate prediction of the CHF in the low pressure range. For example, Inasaka and Nariai [8] compared their own CHF data with the modified Tong correlation (which will be explained later), the Weisman–Pei model [10], and the Gunther correlation [11], suggesting the superiority of the modified Tong correlation in prediction accuracy at pressures lower than 1 MPa. The foregoing modified Tong correlation is a correlation proposed by Inasaka and Nariai [12], which has the same form as that of the original Tong correlation [13] for water in the range of 7–14 MPa :

$$q_{\rm s}/H_{\rm fg} = C \cdot G^{0.4} \mu_{\rm L}^{0.6} / d^{0.6} \tag{1}$$

except for the coefficient C on the right-hand side of equation (1); that is, instead of the original coefficient C_{Tong} :

Fluid	No. of data	Data of $\alpha < 0.7$	d (mm)	P (MPa)	$G (\text{kg m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1})$	$T_{\rm sat} - T_{\rm L}$ (K)	$ ho_{ m v}/ ho_{ m L}$	Ref.
Water	374	315	8	2.9-19.6	500-5000	0–75	0.018-0.321	[1]
Water	270†	270	7.72-11.07	3.4-13.8	350-10360	1.8-97.6	0.021-0.136	121
Water	5	5	3	0.77	4600-40 600	30.0-74.07	0.0045	i7i
Water	29	24	3	0.3-1.1	9300-29900	25.7-37.1	0.0017-0.0061	[8]
Water	43	33	2.5-5.0	0.1-2.2	2207-33 533	15.6-117.5	0.0006-0.013	[9]
Total	721	647						

Table 1. Experimental data of CHF of subcooled flow boiling

* Nine clearly abnormal data points have been omitted from the original data.

NOMENCLATURE

- c_{pL} specific heat of liquid at constant pressure
- d i.d. of tube
- f friction factor for homogeneous flow
- G mass velocity
- $h_{\rm FC}$ forced convection heat transfer coefficient
- $H_{\rm fg}$ latent heat of evaporation
- k vapor velocity coefficient
- $L_{\rm B}$ length of vapor blanket
- P local pressure at CHF onset point
- $Pr_{\rm L}$ Prandtl number of liquid, $\mu_{\rm L}c_{p\rm L}/\lambda_{\rm L}$
- q heat flux
- $q_{\rm c}$ critical heat flux
- $q_{\rm B}$ fraction of q for boiling
- *Re* Reynolds number of homogeneous flow, Gd/μ
- $T_{\rm L}$ local liquid temperature
- $T_{\rm sat}$ saturation temperature
- $T_{\rm w}$ wall temperature
- U_B vapor blanket velocity
- U_{δ} homogeneous flow velocity at distance δ from wall

- x true quality
- $x_{\rm e}$ local equilibrium quality
- $x_{e,N}$ x_e at the incipience of net vapor generation.

Greek symbols

- α void fraction
- δ sublayer thickness
- $\hat{\lambda}_{1}$ thermal conductivity of liquid
- μ viscosity for homogeneous flow
- $\mu_{\rm L}$ viscosity of liquid
- $\mu_{\rm v}$ viscosity of vapor
- ρ density for homogeneous flow
- $\rho_{\rm L}$ density of liquid
- ρ_v density of vapor
- σ surface tension
- τ vapor blanket passage time
- τ_w wall shear stress of homogeneous
 - flow.

$$C_{\text{Tong}} = 1.76 - 7.433x_{\text{e}} + 12.222x_{\text{e}}^2 \tag{2}$$

the following pressure-modified C is employed :

$$\frac{C}{C_{\text{Tong}}} = 1 - \frac{52.3 + 80x_{\text{e}} - 50x_{\text{e}}^2}{60.5 + (10P)^{1.4}}.$$
 (3)

The original Tong correlation, consisting of equations (1) and (2), has a generalized form (that is, critical boiling number q_c/GH_{fg} is a function of Reynolds number Gd/μ_L and exit equilibrium quality x_c), but equation (3) of the modified Tong correlation is not dimensionless, including P [MPa] on the right-hand side.

Meanwhile, Celata *et al.* [9] compared their own CHF data with the Gunther correlation [11], the Lee-Mudawar model [14], and the Katto model [15], suggesting that the existing models or correlations are generally inadequate as regards prediction accuracy in the low pressure regime.

In fact, if the foregoing CHF data in the low pressure regime are compared with the modified Tong correlation (equations (1)–(3)), we obtain the result of Fig. 1. As far as the data of Inasaka and Nariai [8] are concerned, they are certainly predicted by the correlation within the error of approximately $\pm 25\%$, but if the data of Celata *et al.* are taken into account, it assumes a different aspect.

Similarly, comparison with the same CHF data as above gives the result of Fig. 2 for the reformed Katto model [16], which employs a reformed version of the correlation equation of velocity coefficient in the Katto model [15]. In the present case, it is noticed that the prediction accuracy deteriorates increasingly with decreasing pressure in the pressure region lower than 1.7 MPa.

Now, the reformed Katto model mentioned above is a model that holds for the conditions of $\rho_v/\rho_L > 0.01$ and void fraction $\alpha < 0.7$ (see ref. [16]); the remaining low pressure region of $\rho_v/\rho_L < 0.01$ (corresponding pressure P < 1.7 MPa in the case of water) has so far been left untouched. In fact, this situation of the reformed Katto model can be observed in Fig. 2, where the prediction error does not exceed $\pm 25\%$ at pressures higher than 1.7 MPa. Thus, it seems worth attempting a study to extend the applicable range of the reformed Katto model to the remaining region of $\rho_v/\rho_L < 0.01$ with the help of the CHF data of refs. [7–9] at low pressures.

2. EXTENSION OF THE APPLICABLE RANGE OF THE MODEL

2.1. Velocity coefficient k in the high pressure regime

The reformed Katto model [16] (see the Appendix for its prediction procedure) postulates CHF to be created by the dryout of a liquid sublayer which is built up between the heated tube wall and a vapor blanket flowing over the tube wall. The initial sublayer thickness δ is evaluated by a generalized equation of δ derived in a previous study of CHF in pool boiling [17], while the local velocity U_{δ} of the two-phase flow (assumed as homogeneous flow) at the distance δ from the tube wall is estimated by the Karman velocity distribution. Then, the vapor blanket velocity $U_{\rm B}$, which determines the axial length $L_{\rm B}$ and the passage



FIG. 1. Comparison between measured and predicted critical heat flux (the modified Tong correlation : the low pressure regime).

time τ of a vapor blanket, is assumed to be closely related to the foregoing local velocity U_{δ} as:

$$U_{\rm B} = k U_{\delta}$$

where the velocity coefficient k on the right-hand side is the only quantity to be determined empirically in this model.

Hence, the magnitude of k can be evaluated for every experimental CHF datum of subcooled flow boiling so that the CHF values predicted by the model may agree with the experimental CHF data; simultaneously, the values of void fraction α and Reynolds number *Re* are also determined. Then, the values of k thus obtained for the CHF data of refs. [1, 2] were analyzed in a previous paper [16] to reveal that k can be correlated as a function of void fraction α , density ratio ρ_v/ρ_L , and Reynolds number *Re* as:

$$k = \frac{242[1 + K_1(0.355 - \alpha)][1 + K_2(0.100 - \alpha)]}{[0.0197 + (\rho_v/\rho_L)^{0.733}][1 + 90.3(\rho_v/\rho_L)^{3.68}]} Re^{-0.8}.$$
(4)

where $K_1 = 0$ for $\alpha > 0.355$, and $K_1 = 3.76$ for $\alpha < 0.355$, while $K_2 = 0$ for $\alpha > 0.1$, and $K_2 = 2.62$ for $\alpha < 0.1$.

In Figs. 3–6, equation (4) is represented by thick lines, while the values of k determined from experimental CHF data are plotted with a symbol \bigcirc , for $\alpha = 0, 0-0.25, 0.25-0.35$ and 0.35–0.70, respectively. It is noticed in these figures that equation (4) predicts



FIG. 2. Comparison between measured and predicted critical heat flux (the reformed Katto model: the low pressure regime).



FIG. 3. Velocity coefficient k (void fraction : $\alpha = 0$).

k-values fairly well in the high pressure regime of $\rho_{\rm v}/\rho_{\rm L}>0.01.$

For reference, the ranges of magnitudes of the initial sublayer thickness δ , the vapor blanket length $L_{\rm B}$, the vapor blanket velocity $U_{\rm B}$, the average velocity in the tube $U (= G/\rho)$, and Reynolds number *Re*, which are determined simultaneously with the evaluation of *k*, are listed on the upper two lines in Table 2.

2.2. Velocity coefficient k in the low pressure regime

The same evaluation of k as that in the preceding section can be made for the CHF data points of water at low pressures obtained by Boyd [7], Inasaka and Nariai [8], and Celata *et al.* [9]. The values of k thus obtained are then plotted in Figs. 3–6 with the symbols \Box , +, and Δ , respectively. The ranges of magnitudes of the initial sublayer thickness δ , the vapor blanket



FIG. 4. Velocity coefficient k (void fraction : $0 < \alpha < 0.05$).



FIG. 5. Velocity coefficient k (void fraction : $0.25 < \alpha < 0.35$).

length $L_{\rm B}$, the vapor blanket velocity $U_{\rm B}$, the average velocity in the tube U, and Reynolds number *Re* are also shown on the lower three lines of Table 2; Table 3 is a reclassification of all the data of Table 2 by pressure. According to Tables 2 and 3, it seems likely that there is a rough trend of the initial sublayer thickness δ to be thinner as the pressure is reduced (note that experimental conditions are unequal for every subdivided region of pressure).

It is noticed in Figs. 3–6 that the data of k in the low pressure regime are limited in number, and scattering is rather high. However, one can see a rough trend that the data in the low pressure regime are located so that they may be connected rather naturally with the data in the high pressure regime. Hence, we assume that k in the low pressure regime can be correlated in a similar form to equation (4), that is, as a function of void fraction α , density ratio ρ_v/ρ_L , and



FIG. 6. Velocity coefficient k (void fraction : $0.35 < \alpha < 0.70$).

Ref.	δ (μm)	L _B (mm)	$U_{\rm B} ({\rm m}~{\rm s}^{-1})$	<i>U</i> (m s ⁻¹)	Re
[1]	24.3-777.2	1.41-18.2	0.08-1.6	0.84-10.2	4.26×10^{4} - 6.97×10^{5}
[2]	60.6-493.1	3.64-36.1	0.15-0.8	0.70-14.5	$5.09 \times 10^{4} - 1.26 \times 10^{6}$
[7]	1.6-29.5	0.70-17.7	1.99-10.0	4.91-45.2	$7.77 \times 10^{4} - 7.61 \times 10^{5}$
[8]	0.5-13.2	0.45-9.3	3.06-18.2	5.78-33.1	$9.21 \times 10^{4} - 5.42 \times 10^{5}$
[9]	0.2-23.1	0.35-6.4	1.99–26.4	5.10-36.6	$7.28 \times 10^{4} - 5.16 \times 10^{5}$

Table 2. Magnitude of δ , $L_{\rm B}$, $U_{\rm B}$, $U_{\rm A}$ and Re for the data of $\alpha < 0.7$

Table 3. Magnitude of δ , $L_{\rm B}$, $U_{\rm B}$, U, and Re for the data of $\alpha < 0.7$

P (MPa)	δ (μm)	L _B (mm)	$U_{\rm B} ({\rm m}~{\rm s}^{-1})$	<i>U</i> (m s ⁻¹)	Re
0.0-2.5	0.2-29.5	0.35-17.7	1.99–26.4	4.91-45.2	$7.28 \times 10^{4} - 7.61 \times 10^{5}$
2.5-5.0	24.3-200.2	5.01-36.1	0.54-1.6	2.68-12.2	$1.42 \times 10^{5} - 7.56 \times 10^{5}$
5.0-7.5	53.6-230.7	4.50-21.7	0.39-0.9	2.15-14.0	$1.13 \times 10^{5} - 1.15 \times 10^{6}$
7.5-10.0	54.9-175.4	3.11-12.9	0.34-0.7	1.23-7.5	$6.83 \times 10^{4} - 4.87 \times 10^{5}$
10.0-12.5	55.2-239.1	2.44-15.7	0.26-0.6	0.84-14.5	$4.26 \times 10^{4} - 1.26 \times 10^{6}$
12.5-15.0	56.1-493.1	1.95-23.3	0.15-0.5	0.70-8.3	$4.26 \times 10^{4} - 5.53 \times 10^{5}$
15.0-17.5	60.3-453.0	1.57-18.2	0.13-0.5	0.89-8.8	$4.42 \times 10^{4} - 5.91 \times 10^{5}$
17.5-20.0	80.0-777.2	1.41-16.2	0.08-0.3	0.91 - 10.2	$4.68 \times 10^{4} - 6.97 \times 10^{5}$

Reynolds number *Re*; a simple correlation equation is determined in the present study as follows :

$$k = 22.4[1 + K_3(0.355 - \alpha)]/(\rho_v/\rho_L)^{1.28} Re^{-0.8}$$
(5)

where $K_3 = 0$ for $\alpha > 0.355$, and $K_3 = 1.33$ for $\alpha < 0.355$. Equation (5) is represented by straight lines in Figs. 3-6.

2.3. Connection of k between the high and low pressure reaimes

We now have two correlation equations (4) and (5)for k, and there is an intersecting point of the two equations in the vicinity of $\rho_v/\rho_L = 0.01$ (see Figs. 3– 6). From the physical point of view, there must be a continuous transition region between the two regimes, but because of the scarcity of data, it is difficult to formulate the transition region at the present stage.

Accordingly, it is realistic for the time being to employ equations (4) and (5), neglecting the transition region, to predict the value of k, when the following rule holds for the choice of a proper equation to be adopted under given conditions of α and ρ_v/ρ_L :

equation (4) is used if $\rho_v / \rho_L > (\rho_v / \rho_L)_B$; while

equation (5) is used if $\rho_v / \rho_L < (\rho_v / \rho_L)_B$

where $(\rho_v/\rho_L)_B$ is the value of ρ_v/ρ_L at the intersecting point of the two equations, that is, a root ρ_v/ρ_L of the following equation which is derived by eliminating kfrom equations (4) and (5):

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$$0.09256 \frac{[0.0197 + (\rho_v/\rho_L)^{0.733}][1 + 90.3(\rho_v/\rho_L)^{3.68}]}{(\rho_v/\rho_L)^{1.28}} = \frac{[1 + K_1(0.355 - \alpha)][1 + K_2(0.100 - \alpha)]}{[1 + K_3(0.355 - \alpha)]}.$$
 (6)

The left-hand side of equation (6) is a function decreasing with ρ_v/ρ_L in the vicinity of $\rho_v/\rho_L = 0.01$,

Table 4. Value of $(\rho_v/\rho_L)_B$ at the intersecting point of equations (4) and (5)

α	$(ho_{ m v}/ ho_{ m L})_{ m B}$		
 0.000	0.00885		
0.050	0.01060		
0.100	0.01307		
0.150	0.01394		
0.200	0.01504		
0.250	0.01648		
0.300	0.01844		
0.350	0.02128		
0.355	0.02164†		

† Note: $(\rho_v / \rho_L)_B = 0.02164$ for $\alpha \ge 0.355$.

so it is quite easy to calculate the value of $(\rho_v/\rho_L)_B$ by computer for a given value of α .

Now, an outline of the values of $(\rho_v/\rho_L)_B$ is shown in Table 4 with a note that $(\rho_v/\rho_L)_B$ is kept at a constant value of 0.02164 for $\alpha \ge 0.355$. In other words, $(\rho_v/\rho_L)_B$ takes values between 0.00885 and 0.02164, and hence the following supplementary rule holds: if $\rho_{\rm v}/\rho_{\rm L}$ < 0.00885, equation (5) plays a dominant role, while if $\rho_v/\rho_L > 0.02164$, equation (4) plays a dominant role.

3. PREDICTION ACCURACY OF THE EXTENDED MODEL

The preceding section has revealed that the applicable range of the reformed Katto model can be extended by an enlargement of the correlation equation of velocity coefficient k to the low pressure regime without any change of the framework of the model. The prediction of CHF value by the extended model then gives the result of Fig. 7 for $\alpha < 0.7$, showing remarkable improvement of the prediction accuracy as compared with Fig. 2.

Finally, if the foregoing extended model is tested



FIG. 7. Comparison between measured and predicted critical heat flux (the extended model: the low pressure regime).



FIG. 8. Comparison between measured and predicted critical heat flux (the extended model: the whole pressure region).

against the whole CHF data points of water listed in Table 1, it gives the result of Fig. 8, where 92.4% of the total of 634 data points for $\alpha < 0.7$ are within the error of $\pm 25\%$. Meanwhile, Table 5 is concerned with the same data points as those in Fig. 8, being reclassified by pressure, where

$R = q_{\rm c,cal}/q_{\rm c,exp}$

and $\mu(R)$ is the mean value of R, while $\sigma(R)$ is the standard deviation of R. In Table 5 the number of experimental data points and that of the data points satisfying the condition $\alpha < 0.07$ are also shown. The reason why the total number 634 of the data of $\alpha < 0.7$

Table 5. Prediction accuracy for water CHF

P (MPa)	No. of data	Data of $\alpha < 0.7$	μ (R)	σ (R)
0.0-2.5	77	50	1.0410	0.1916
2.5-5.0	74	36	0.9999	0.2492
5.0-7.5	140	129	1.0493	0.1186
7.5-10.0	43	36	0.9918	0.1308
10.0-12.5	123	120	1.0282	0.0914
12.5-15.0	129	128	1.0216	0.1011
15.0-17.5	45	45	1.0684	0.0888
17.5-20.0	90	90	0.9726	0.1442
Total	721	634	1.0234	0.1348

in Table 5 differs a little from the corresponding number of 647 in Table 1 is as follows: the former number relates to $\alpha < 0.7$ determined in the CHF prediction process by the extended model, while the latter relates to $\alpha < 0.7$ determined in the estimation of k based on the experimental CHF data.

Anyhow, it is noticed from Fig. 8 and Table 5 that the extended model is capable of predicting CHF of subcooled water flow boiling with nearly the same accuracy for pressure in the range 0.1–20.0 MPa; this result is quite interesting when one considers the rather simple theoretical framework of the present model as summarized in the Appendix.

4. CONCLUSIONS

(1) A study has been attempted to extend the applicable range of the author's previously presented model of subcooled flow boiling CHF to the low pressure regime of $\rho_v/\rho_L = 0.0062-0.01$.

(2) Based on the experimental data of CHF of water in the low pressure regime obtained by Boyd, Inasaka-Nariai, and Celata *et al.*, it is revealed that the value of the velocity coefficient k in the low pressure regime has a character to connect naturally with that in the high pressure regime. Hence, by means of extending the correlation equation of k up to the low pressure regime, the foregoing model is endowed with the capability to predict CHF of subcooled water flow boiling with tolerable accuracy over a wide pressure range of 0.1–20.0 MPa.

(3) CHF of water alone is dealt with in the present study. However, according to a previous study [16], the present model is also applicable to the CHF of nonaqueous fluids in the high pressure regime. Hence, it is natural to expect that this situation may possibly remain in the low pressure regime, but strictly speaking, it is a mere supposition until verified by the experimental CHF data of nonaqueous fluids.

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APPENDIX. CHF PREDICTION PROCEDURE

Assume a value of q under local bulk conditions of P, G, $T_{sat} - T_L$, and d.

Necessary physical properties are (saturated state at *P*): $c_{\rho L}$, $H_{\rm ig}$, $\lambda_{\rm L}$, $\mu_{\rm L}$ (or $v_{\rm L}$), $\mu_{\rm v}$ (or $v_{\rm v}$), $\rho_{\rm L}$, $\rho_{\rm v}$ and σ .

Calculation of δ :

$$\frac{\delta \rho_{\rm v}}{\sigma} \left| \left(\frac{\rho_{\rm v} H_{\rm fg}}{q_{\rm B}} \right)^2 = \frac{\pi (0.0584)^2}{2} \left(\frac{\rho_{\rm v}}{\rho_{\rm L}} \right)^{0.4} \left(1 + \frac{\rho_{\rm v}}{\rho_{\rm L}} \right)^{-1} \right|$$

where $q_{\rm B} = q - h_{\rm FC}(T_{\rm w} - T_{\rm L})$, for which $h_{\rm H} = 0.023 (C_{\rm e}/m_{\rm e})^{0.8} Br^{0.4} (z_{\rm e}/m_{\rm e})^{0.8}$

$$h_{\rm FC} = 0.023 (Gd/\mu_{\rm L})^{0.5} Pr_{\rm L}^{0.4} (\lambda_{\rm L}/d)$$
$$T_{\rm w} - T_{\rm L} = \frac{(\Psi_0 - 1)(T_{\rm sat} - T_{\rm L}) + (q/h_{\rm FC})}{\Psi_0}$$
$$\Psi_0 = 230 (q/GH_{\rm fc})^{0.5}.$$

Calculation of x_e and $x_{e,N}$:

$$x_{\rm e} = \frac{c_{\rho \rm L}(T_{\rm L} - T_{\rm sat})}{H_{\rm fg}}$$

$$x_{\rm e,N} = \begin{cases} -0.0022 \frac{q}{\rho_{\rm L} H_{\rm fg}} \frac{d}{(\lambda_{\rm L}/c_{\rho \rm L} \rho_{\rm L})} & \text{for } \frac{Gc_{\rho \rm L} d}{\lambda_{\rm L}} < 70\,000\\ -154 \frac{q}{\rho_{\rm L} H_{\rm fg}} \frac{1}{(G/\rho_{\rm L})} & \text{for } \frac{Gc_{\rho \rm L} d}{\lambda_{\rm L}} > 70\,000 \end{cases}$$

Calculation of x:

$$x = \begin{cases} \frac{x_{e} - x_{e,N} \exp\left(\frac{x_{e}}{x_{e,N}} - 1\right)}{1 - x_{e,N} \exp\left(\frac{x_{e}}{x_{e,N}} - 1\right)} & \text{for } x_{e,N} < x_{e} \\ 0 & \text{for } x_{e,N} > x_{e}. \end{cases}$$

Calculation of ρ , α , and μ :

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= 1/[x/\rho_{v} + (1-x)/\rho_{L}] \\ \alpha &= x/[x + (1-x)(\rho_{v}/\rho_{L})] \\ \mu &= \mu_{v}\alpha + \mu_{L}(1-\alpha)(1+2.5\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Calculation of U_{δ} :

$$U_{\delta}^{+} = \begin{cases} y_{\delta}^{+} & \text{for } 0 < y_{\delta}^{+} < 5 \\ 5.0 + 5.0 \ln(y_{\delta}^{+}/5) & \text{for } 5 < y_{\delta}^{+} < 30 \\ 5.5 + 2.5 \ln y_{\delta}^{+} & \text{for } 30 < y_{\delta}^{+} \end{cases}$$

where $U_{\delta}^{+} = U_{\delta}/\sqrt{(\tau_w/\rho)}$ and $y_{\delta}^{+} = \delta\sqrt{(\tau_w/\rho)/(\mu/\rho)}$ for which

$$\tau_{\rm w} = f \cdot \rho(G/\rho)^2 / 8$$

1/\sqrt{f} = 2.0 \log_{10} (Re \sqrt{f}) - 0.8

$$Re = Gd/\mu$$

Calculation of k:

k : equation (4) for $\rho_v/\rho_L > (\rho_v/\rho_L)_B$

k : equation (5) for $\rho_v/\rho_L < (\rho_v/\rho_L)_B$

where $(\rho_v / \rho_L)_B$ is a root of equation (6). Calculation of U_B :

 $U_{\rm B} = k U_{\delta}.$

Calculation of
$$L_{\rm B}$$
:

 $L_{\rm B} = 2\pi\sigma(\rho_{\rm y} + \rho_{\rm L})/(\rho_{\rm y}\rho_{\rm L}U_{\rm B}^2).$

Calculation of q':

$$q' = \delta
ho_{
m L} H_{
m fg} / au$$

where $\tau = L_{\rm B}/U_{\rm B}$; q is the critical heat flux $q_{\rm c}$ when q = q'.

UN MODELE PREDICTIF DU CHF D'UN ECOULEMENT D'EAU EN EBULLITION POUR DES PRESSIONS DE 0,1-20 MPa

Résumé—Les données existantes sur le flux thermique critique (CHF) d'un écoulement d'eau sous-refroidie portée à ébullition sont limitées à un domaine de pression comparativement élevé, de 2,5 à 20 MPa. Sous la nécessité de l'enlèvement de chaleur à grand flux pour les composants du réacteur de fusion, quelques expériences ont été récemment conduites sous pression faible pour obtenir un nombre significatif de données entre 0,1 et 2,5 MPa. En conséquence, ce texte rapporte le résultat d'un essai pour étendre le domaine d'application d'un modèle présenté antérieurement par l'auteur. L'extension est faite en préservant la structure du modèle lequel est capable de prédire le CHF avec à peu près la même précision dans le domaine de pression 0,1–20 MPa.

EIN MODELL ZUR BESTIMMUNG DER KRITISCHEN WÄRMESTROMDICHTE FÜR UNTERKÜHLTES STRÖMUNGSSIEDEN VON WASSER BEI DRÜCKEN ZWISCHEN 0,1 UND 20 MPa

Zusammenfassung---Die bisher bekannt gewordenen Daten für die kritische Wärmestromdichte bei unterkühltem Strömungssieden von Wasser beschränken sich auf einen Bereich relative hoher Drücke (2,5-20,0 MPa). Kürzlich wurden jedoch einige Experimente bei niedrigen Drücken durchgeführt, die im Zusammenhang mit der Notwendigkeit stehen, aus Bauteilen von Fusionsreaktoren sehr große Wärmestromdichten abzuführen. Sie liefern eine genügende Menge zuverlässiger Daten für Drücke zwischen 0,1 und 2,5 MPa, um den Gültigkeitsbereich des vom Autor an anderer Stelle vorgestellten Modells für die Bestimmung der kritischen Wärmestromdichte beim unterkühlten Strömungssieden zu niedrigeren Drücken hin zu erweitern. Dabei bleibt die Struktur des Modells unverändert. Es erlaubt die Bestimmung der kritischen Wärmestromdichte mit nahezu gleichbleibender Genauigkeit in dem weiten Druckbereich von 0,1-20,0 MPa.

РАСЧЕТНАЯ МОДЕЛЬ КРИТИЧЕСКОГО ТЕПЛОВОГО ПОТОКА ПРИ ТЕЧЕНИИ КИПЯЩЕЙ НЕДОГРЕТОЙ ВОДЫ В ДИАПАЗОНЕ ДАВЛЕНИЙ ОТ 0,1 ДО 20 МРа

Аннотация— Имевшиеся данные по критическому тепловому потоку при течении кипящей недогретой воды ограничивались рамками режима с относительно высокими давлениями: от 2,5 до 20,0 MPa. Однако для решения проблемы отвода теплового потока большой плотности от компонентов термоядерного реактора в последнее время было проведено несколько экспериментов при низких давлениях, которые дали довольно польшое число надежных данных для давлений от 0,1 до 2,5 MPa. В настоящей статье приведены результаты исследований, в которых предпринята распространить диапазон ранее представленной автором модели критического теплового потока при течении кипящей недогретой жидкости на ржим с низким давлением. Это обобщение проведено с сохранением структуры модели. Исследована возможность рассчитать критический тепло-

вой поток почти с такой же точностью в широком диапазоне давлений от 0,1 до 20,0 МРа.

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