



### The dropwise condensation heat transfer characteristics of CNT/OTS layered surface associated with non-condensable gas effect

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#### **Dropwise condensation**





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#### Dropwise condensation (Constriction resistance)

- Constriction resistance is caused by the bending of the heat flux lines in substrate
- It causes non-uniform heat flux and surface temperature on dropwise condensation



#### **Temperature fluctuation**

#### **Droplet distribution**

Heat flux line



 $A = A_a + A_d$ **AIHENA** 

B. B. MIKIC, "On mechanism of dropwise condensation," International Journal of Heat and Mass Transfer 12 10, 1311 (1969); https://doi.org/10.1016/0017-9310(69)90174-4.



### Dropwise condensation (Constriction resistance)

- High thermal conductive material can reduce the constriction resistance
- The substrate material is often limited by its mechanical strength and integrity
- Changing the substrate material is impractical in many industrial applications



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T. TAKAHARU and H. TANAKA, "A theoretical study on the constriction resistance in dropwise condensation," International Journal of Heat and Mass Transfer (1991); https://doi.org/10.1016/0017-9310(91)90237-9.



#### Surface modification technique

- Surface modification can change the surface material without altering substrate
- CVD and PVD are well known surface modification techniques
- However, it needs high temperature or vacuum condition
- It is difficult to apply the commercial heat transfer tubes such as heat exchanger





#### The objective of this study

- Useful surface modification technique(Layer-by-layer) was selected.
- High thermal conductive material(Multi-walled carbon nanotube) was deposited
- Condensation heat transfer experiment was conducted on modified surface







#### LbL assembled MWCNT coating





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#### LbL assembled MWCNT coating



<b>Coating material</b>	CNT
Bi-layer	10
Pore size	~ 64 nm
Thickness	~ 760 nm (ref)
Contact angle	~ 20°



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#### Hydrophobic coating







### Surface preparation

- Three surface were prepared for the condensation heat transfer experiment
- The substrate was selected to commercial stainless-steel (Bare)
- LbL-assembled MWCNT surface(CNT) cannot promote the dropwise condensation
- Hydrophobic coatings on the CNT surface was deposited (CNT+HPo)





### Method



### Experimental set up (Test Loop)



### Method



#### Experimental set up (Test section)





Steam flow area	0.02 m <sup>2</sup>
Test specimen Length	1.18 m
Test specimen diameter	19.05 mm
Steam pressure	1 bar
Steam mass flux	0.1 kg/m²s ( ~ 0.16 m/s)
Coolant mass flux	1600 kg/m²s ( ~ 1.6 m/s)



#### Condensation heat transfer coefficient









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#### Droplet morphology



Miljkovic et al. (2013)





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N. MILJKOVIC et al., "Jumping-Droplet-Enhanced Condensation on Scalable Superhydrophobic Nanostructured Surfaces," Nano Letters 13 1, 179 (2013); https://doi.org/10.1021/nl303835d.



### Droplet morphology (Regime map)

- Droplet morphology regime map was developed by Enright et al.
- CNT+HPo surface was in Wenzel state region, and it caused flooding condensation



R. ENRIGHT et al., "Condensation on Superhydrophobic Surfaces: The Role of Local Energy Barriers and Structure Length Scale," Lang muir 28 40, 14424 (2012); https://doi.org/10.1021/la302599n.



### Droplet morphology (Condensation heat transfer)

• Flooding has no enhancement of condensation heat transfer than the sliding



R. WEN et al., "Three-Dimensional Superhydrophobic Nanowire Networks for Enhancing Condensation Heat Transfer," Joule 2 2, 269, Elsevier Inc. (2018); https://doi.org/10.1016/j.joule.2017.11.010.



#### Effect of the constriction resistance

- The CNT layers of the CNT+HPo surface can reduce the constriction resistance
- Constriction resistance was inserted to the condensation HTC model
  Thermal resistance of the single droplet



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#### Effect of the constriction resistance

• The present model (with constriction) is in line with the experimental result



J. WANG et al., "Improved modeling of heat transfer in dropwise condensation," International Journal of Heat and Mass Elsevier Ltd (2020); https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijheatmasstransfer.2020.119719.



#### Effect of the non-condensable gas

• The condensation HTC of each surface decreased as air mass fraction increased



A. DEHBI, "A generalized correlation for steam condensation rates in the presence of air under turbulent free convection," Internation al Journal of Heat and Mass Transfer 86, 1, Elsevier Ltd (2015); https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijheatmasstransfer.2015.02.034.



#### Effect of the non-condensable gas

• Dropwise condensation HTC was similar with the filmwise as air fraction increased





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### Conclusion



#### Effect of CNT layers on the dropwise condensation



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#### Data reduction (LMTD method)





#### Dropwise condensation HTC model



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#### **Dropwise condensation HTC model**

$$\begin{split} n(r) &= \frac{1}{3\pi r_e^3 r_{max}} \left(\frac{r_e}{r_{max}}\right)^{-\frac{2}{3}} \frac{r(r_e - r_{min})}{r - r_{min}} \frac{A_2 r + A_3}{A_2 r_e + A_3} \exp(B_1 + B_2) \\ A_1 &= \frac{\Delta T}{2h_{fg}\rho_l} \\ A_2 &= \pi r (1 - \cos\theta) (R_{drop} + R_{cs}) \\ A_3 &= \pi r^2 (1 - \cos\theta) (R_{vl} + R_{ls} + R_{coat}) \\ B_1 &= \frac{A_2}{\tau A_1} \left[\frac{r_e^2 - r^2}{2} + r_{min} (r_e - r) - r_{min}^2 \ln \frac{r - r_{min}}{r_e - r_{min}}\right] \\ B_2 &= \frac{A_3}{\tau A_1} \left[ (r_e - r) - r_{min} \ln \frac{r - r_{min}}{r_e - r_{min}} \right] \\ \tau &= \frac{3r_e^2 (A_2 r_e + A_3)^2}{A_1 (11A_2 r_e^2 - 14A_2 r_e r_{min} + 8A_3 r_e - 11A_3 r_{min}) \end{split}$$

S. KIM and K. J. KIM, "Dropwise Condensation Modeling Suitable for Superhydrophobic Surfaces," Journal of Heat Transfer 133 8, 081502 (201), Hten Apps://doi.org/10.1115/1.4003742.



#### **Dropwise condensation HTC model**

$$N(r) = \frac{1}{3\pi r^2 r_{max}} \left(\frac{r}{r_{max}}\right)^{-\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$r_{max} = \left(\frac{6(\cos\theta_r - \cos\theta_a)\sin\theta}{\pi(2 - 3\cos\theta + \cos^3\theta)}\frac{\sigma_{lv}}{\rho_l g}\right)^{0.5}$$

$$r_e = (4N_s)^{-1/2}$$
$$N_s = \frac{0.037}{r_{min}^2}$$

$$q_{drop}^{\prime\prime} = (\int_{r_{min}}^{r_e} q_{drop}(r)n(r)dr + \int_{r_e}^{r_{max}} q_{drop}(r)N(r)dr)$$

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#### **Dropwise condensation HTC model**

$$\Delta \Psi(r) = \int [\Delta g + (p_{sat}(T_{sat}) - p_l)v_l dm_l + \sigma_{lv}A_{lv} + \sigma_{sl}A_{sl} - \sigma_{sv}A_{sv}]$$

$$\Delta g = \frac{h_{fg}(T_l - T_{sat})}{T_{sat}} + \nu_l (p_l - p_{sat}(T_{sat}))$$
$$dv = A_s d\bar{\varepsilon} = \pi r^3 \sin^3 \theta \frac{(1 - \cos \phi)^2}{\sin^4 \phi} d\phi$$



X. LIU and P. CHENG, "Dropwise condensation theory revisited: Part I. Droplet nucleation radius," International Journal of Heat and Mass Transfer C. N 833, Elsevier Ltd (2015); https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijheatmasstransfer.2014.11.009.



#### **Dropwise condensation HTC model**



$$q_{cv}^{\prime\prime} = (A_{so} + A_{lv})h_F \Delta T / A$$

$$\therefore q^{\prime\prime} = q^{\prime\prime}_{cv} + q^{\prime\prime}_{drop}$$

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#### Droplet morphology regime map



$$E^* = -1/r\cos\theta_a$$

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