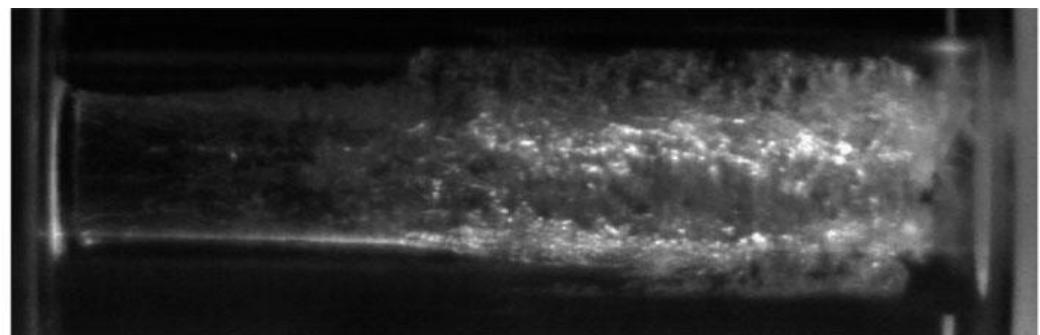


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Cavitation inception of a van der Waals fluid at a sack-wall obstacle



Cavitation on ship propellers



CCD image of cavitation inside a large-scale single-hole nozzle
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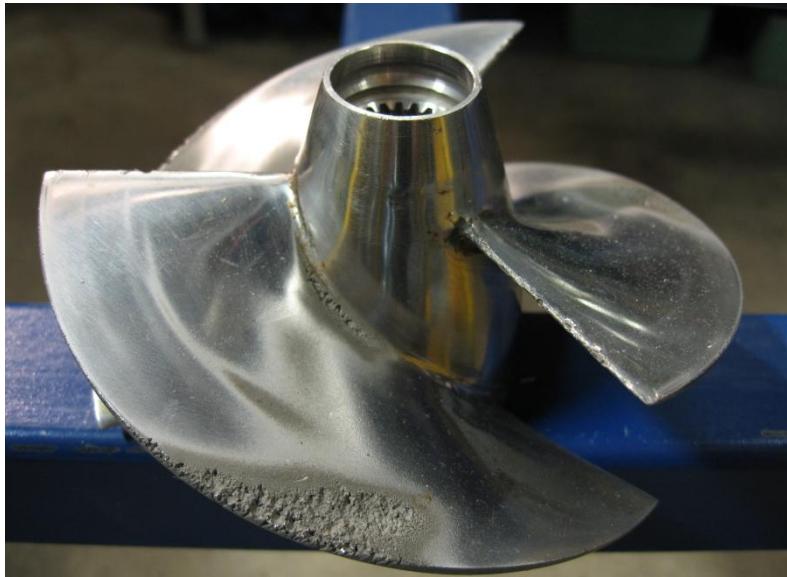
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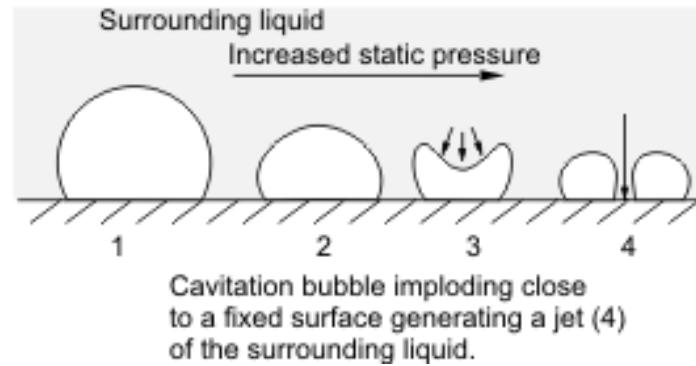
Cavitation



Cavitation behind a NACA 0015 hydrofoil²



Cavitation propeller damage³



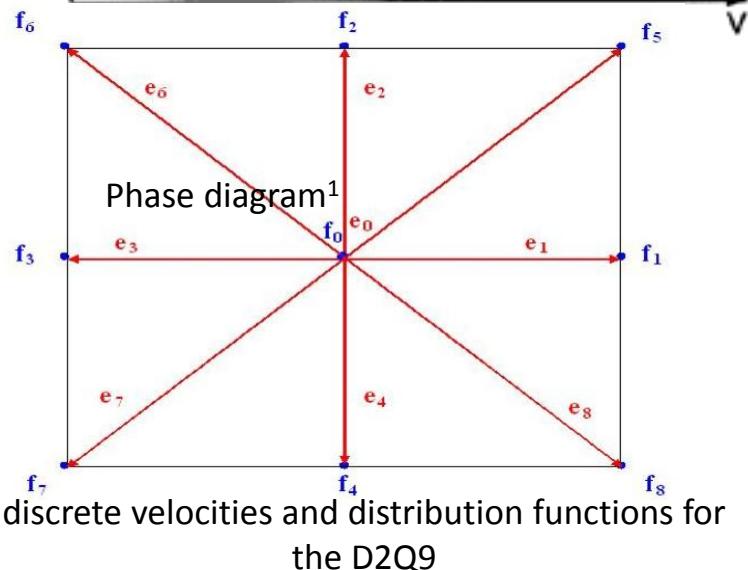
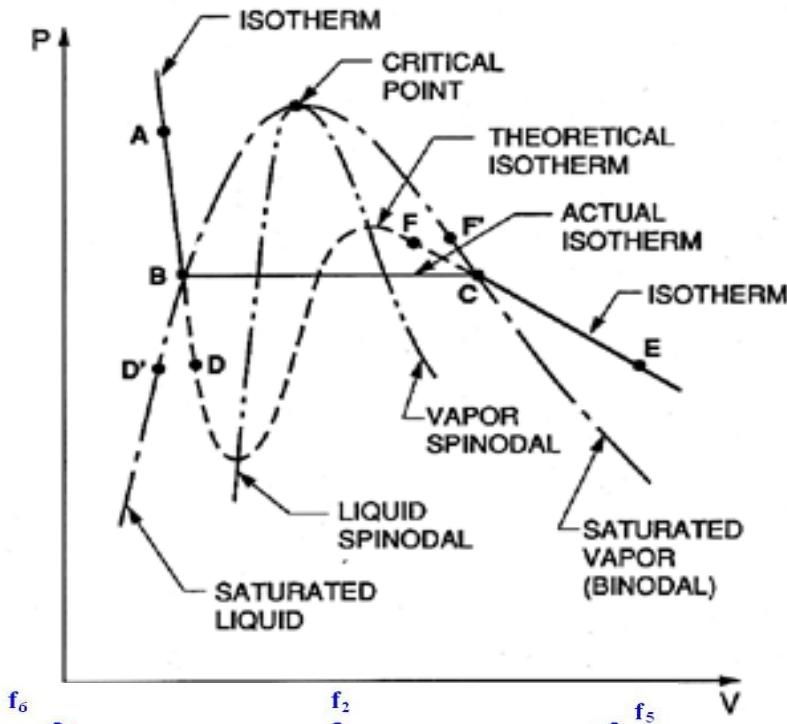
Cavitation is defined as the rupture of a liquid due to a pressure drop, which falls below a certain critical value, at approximately constant liquid temperature, with the subsequent formation of vapor bubbles¹. This phenomenon causes noise, vibrations and above all damage and performance loss.

¹C. E. Brennen, Cavitation and Bubble Dynamics (Oxford University Press, 1995).

²<http://cav.safl.umn.edu/gallery.htm>

³<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cavitation>

Van Der Waals EOS and Lattice Boltzmann Method



$$\Psi = \int d\mathbf{r} \left[\psi(n, T) + \frac{\kappa}{2} (\nabla n)^2 \right]$$

$$\psi = nT \ln\left(\frac{3n}{3-n}\right) - \frac{9}{8} n^2$$

$$p^w = n \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial n} - \psi = \frac{3nT}{3-n} - \frac{9}{8} n^2$$

For a van der Waals fluid the pressure can be derived from the free-energy functional

bulk free-energy density

van der Waals equation of state with the critical point at $n_c=1$ and $T_c=1$

Lattice Boltzmann equation (LBE):

$$f_i(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{e}_i \Delta t, t + \Delta t) - f_i(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\frac{\Delta t}{\tau} [f_i(\mathbf{r}, t) - f_i^{eq}(\mathbf{r}, t)] + \Delta t \mathfrak{I}_i$$

collision $f_i^{coll}(\mathbf{r}, t) = f_i(\mathbf{r}, t) - \frac{\Delta t}{\tau} [f_i(\mathbf{r}, t) - f_i^{eq}(\mathbf{r}, t)] + \Delta t \mathfrak{I}_i$

streaming $f_i(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{e}_i \Delta t, t + \Delta t) = f_i^{coll}(\mathbf{r}, t)$

$$e_i = \begin{cases} \sqrt{3}, & \text{if } i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \\ \sqrt{6}, & \text{if } i = 5, 6, 7, 8 \\ 0, & \text{if } i = 0 \end{cases}$$

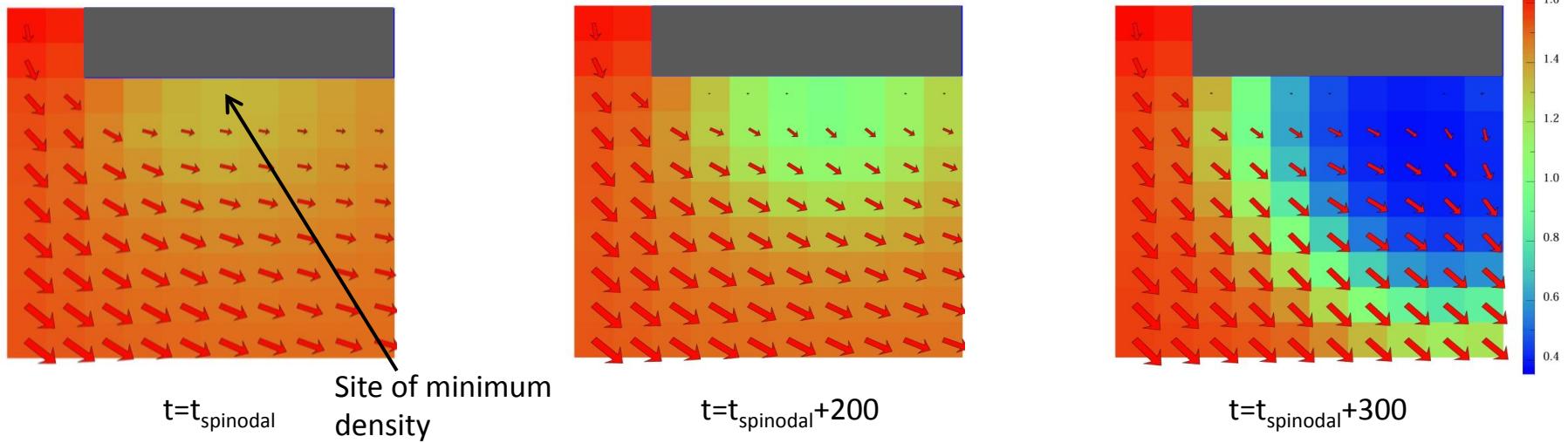
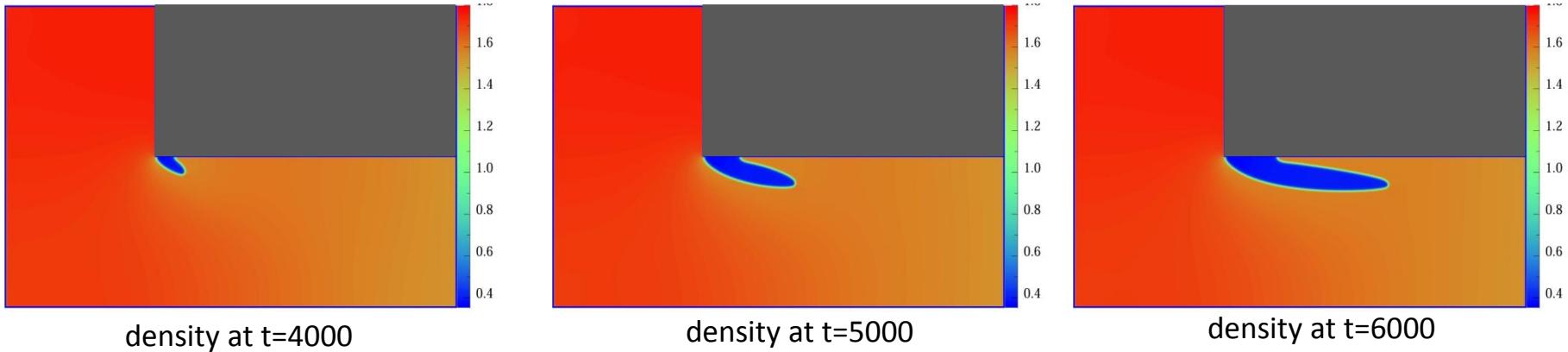
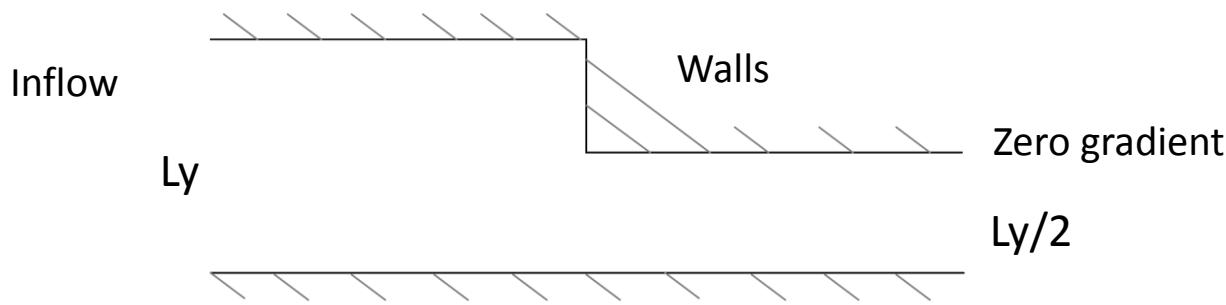
⁴Coclite, G. Gonnella, and A. Lamura, Physical Review E 89, 063303 (2014).

⁵Z. Guo, C. Zheng, and B. Shi, Physical Review E 65, 046308 (2002).

⁶X. Shan and H. Chen, J. Fluid Mech. 550, 413 (2006)

Geometry and Example of Cavitation

$T = 0.9$
 $n_0 = 1.55$
 $u_{x0} = 0.2$
 $Lx=601$
 $Ly=401$



Quantifying Cavitation : Stress Criterion

$$\mathbf{T} = -p\mathbf{I} + \boldsymbol{\tau} \quad \text{total stress tensor}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_\Pi = -\mathbf{\Pi} + \boldsymbol{\tau} \quad \text{total stress tensor with the full pressure tensor that includes interfacial contributions}$$

p bulk pressure

$\boldsymbol{\tau}$ viscous stress tensor

$\mathbf{\Pi}$ full pressure tensor

Joseph⁷ suggested a local cavitation criterion based on the local total stress tensor

$$T_{11} + p_c > 0^7 \longrightarrow -T_{11} < p_c$$

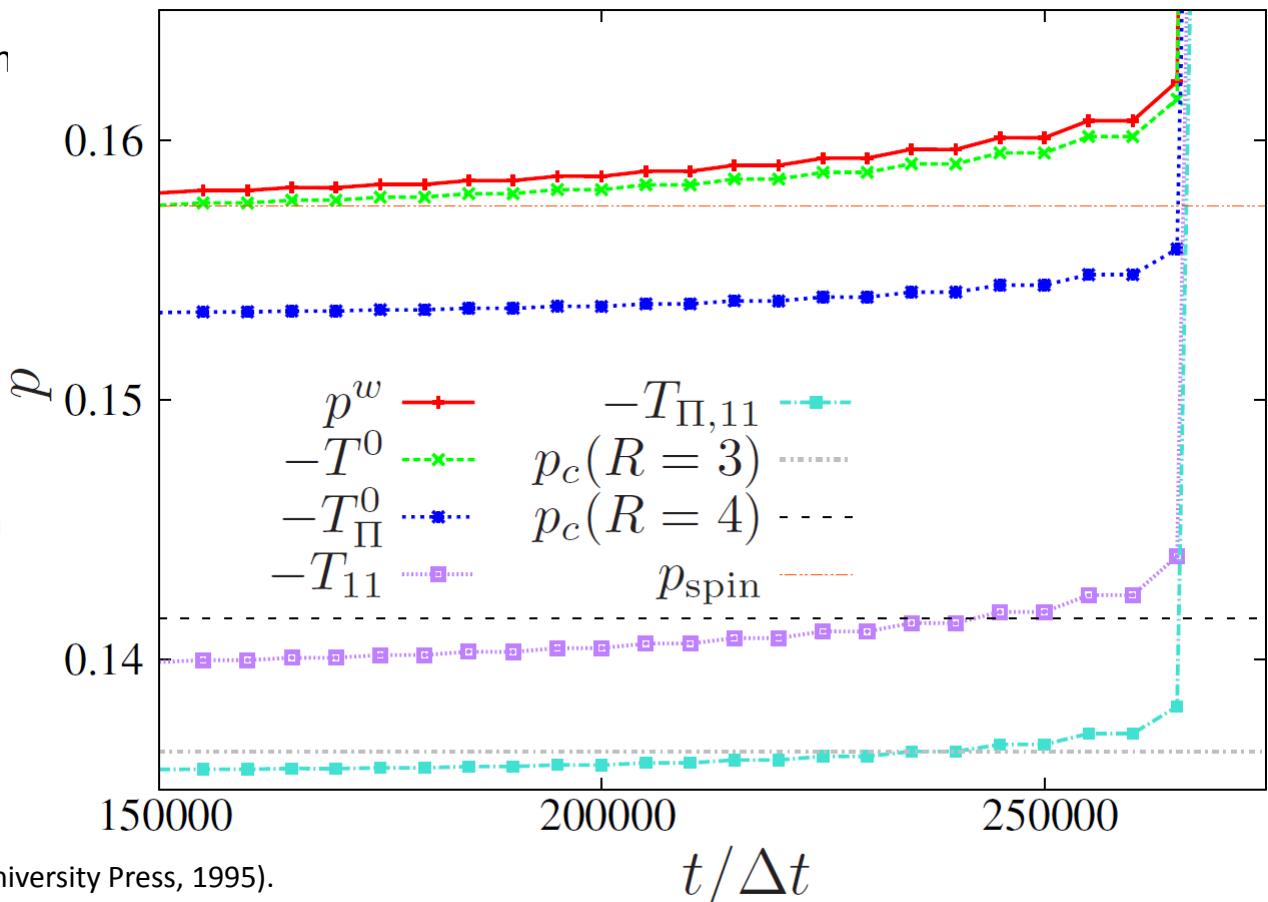
T_{11} maximum principal stress

$$T^0 = \frac{1}{D} \operatorname{tr} \mathbf{T} \quad \text{mean stress}$$

$$p_c = p_{\text{spin}} - \frac{\sigma}{R}^1 \quad \text{threshold corrected with the Laplace pressure}$$

σ surface tension

R minimal radius of a vapor bubble



⁷D. D. Joseph, Journal of Fluid Mechanics 366, 367 (1998).

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⁸G. Kähler, F. Bonelli, G. Gonnella, A. Lamura, Physics of Fluids (2015).

Summary

- Reproduced cavitation formation in a bounded flow with a LBM based on well understood van der Waals EOS, no ad hoc requirements for phase separation or multi-phase behavior
- Local bulk pressure and mean stress are insufficient to explain cavitation inception. Results suggest that the viscous stress, interfacial contributions , and the Laplace pressure are relevant to the opening of a vapor cavity and can be described by an appropriate generalization of Joseph's criterion