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Isotope Production Facility at the Los Alamos Neutron Science Center

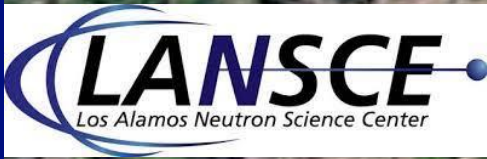
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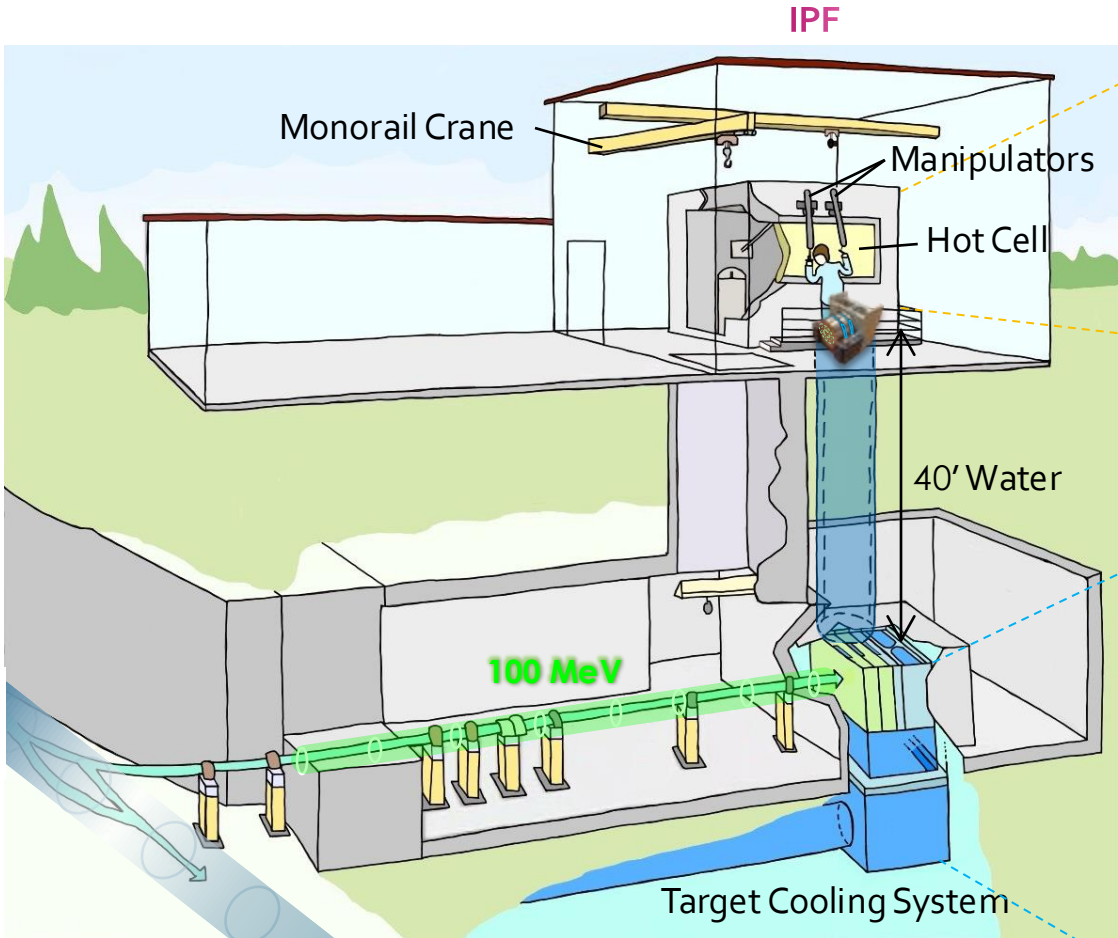


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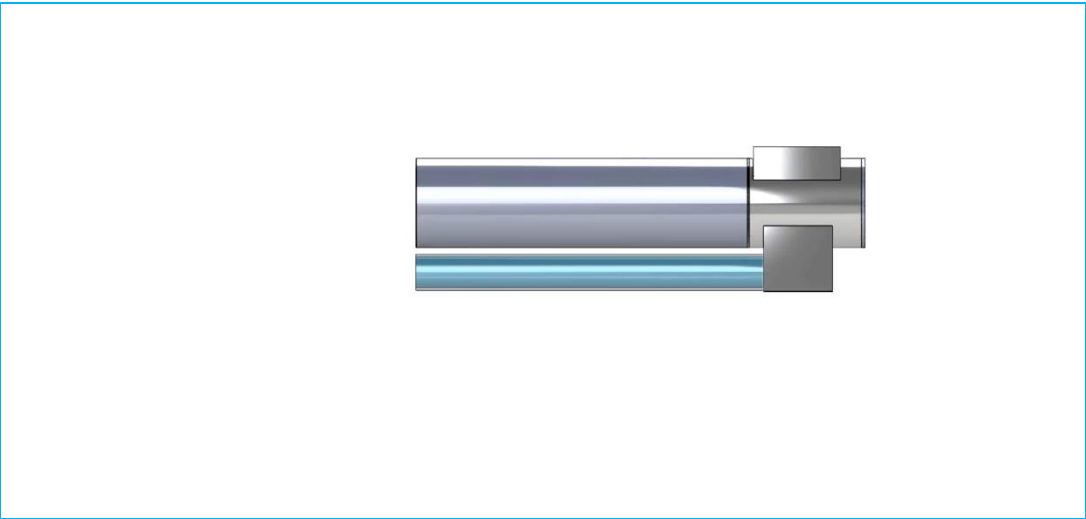


Isotope Production Facility (IPF)

In front of the Hot Cell



Target system 3D model



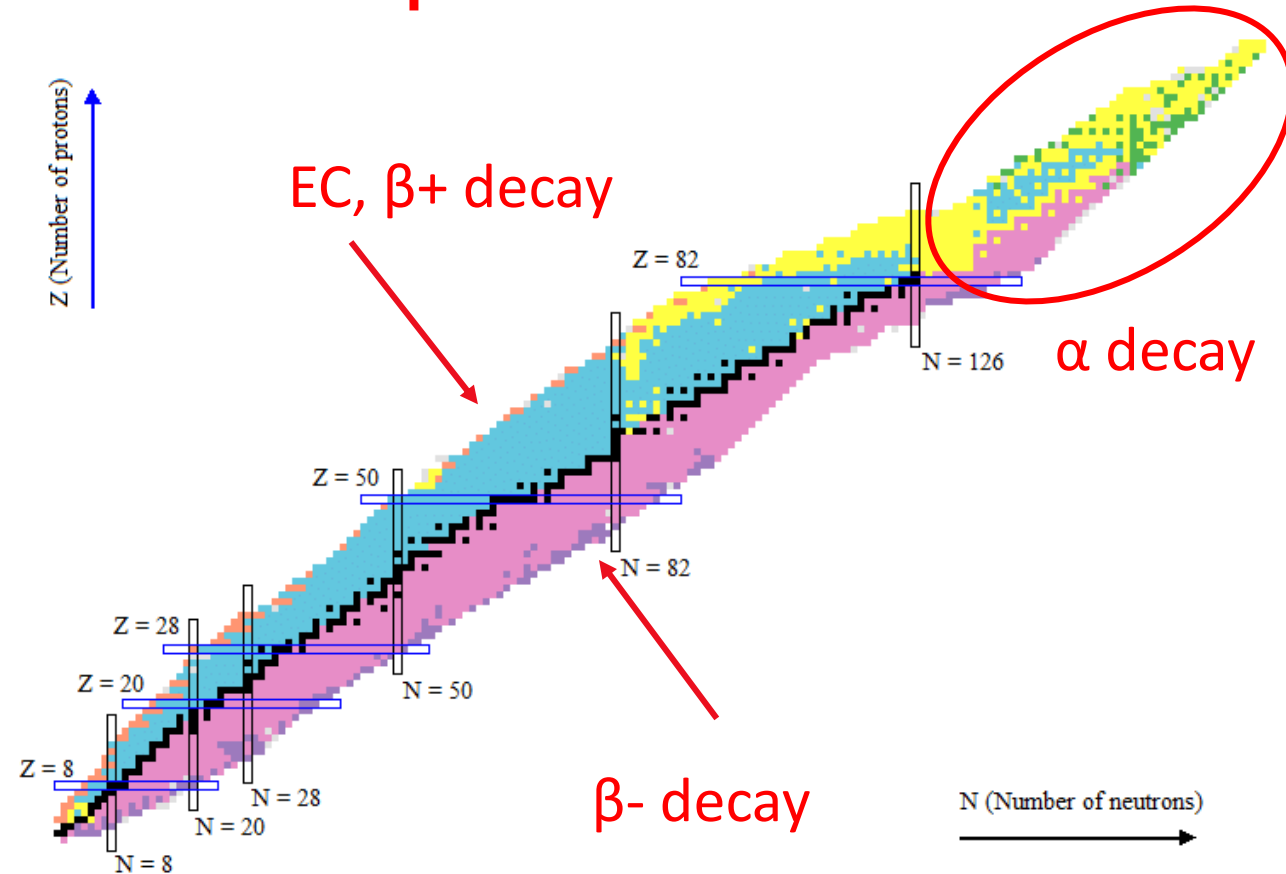
Why IPF?

- At IPF we make can make a **wide range** of radioactive isotopes that have a huge range of application spaces for many different end users.

Isotope	Half-life	Target
^{134}Ce	75.9 h	La
^{44}Ti	58.9 a	Sc
^{225}Ac	10 d	Th
$^{119\text{m}}\text{Te}$	4.71 d	Sb

Isotope	Half-life	Target
^{73}As	80.3 d	Ge
^{109}Cd	462.6 d	In
^{22}Na	2.6 a	Mg
^{236}Np	$1.5 \cdot 10^5$ a	DU

IPF specializes in producing proton-rich isotopes



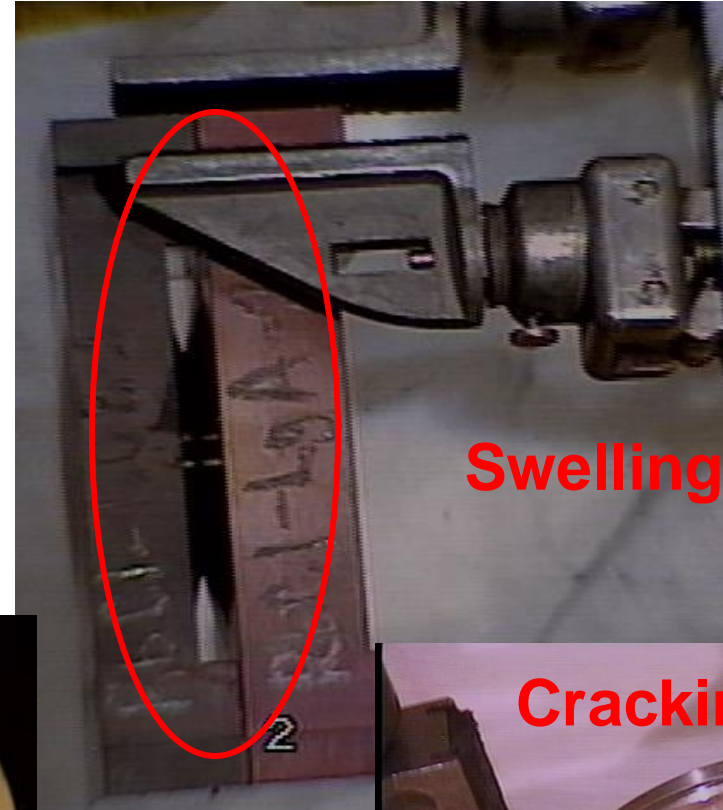
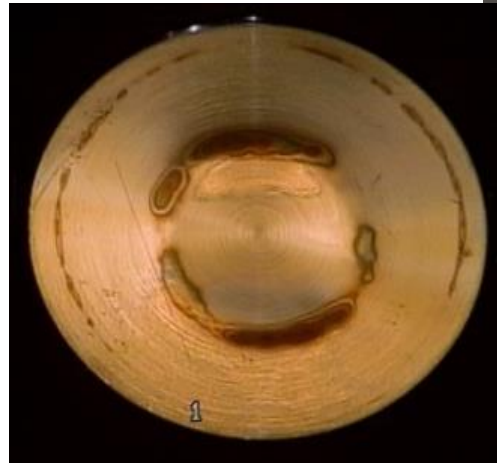
The Challenge – A Real-World Multi-Physics Problem

- IPF Beam Window and Target Survivability



Failed IPF Beam Window

Buckling

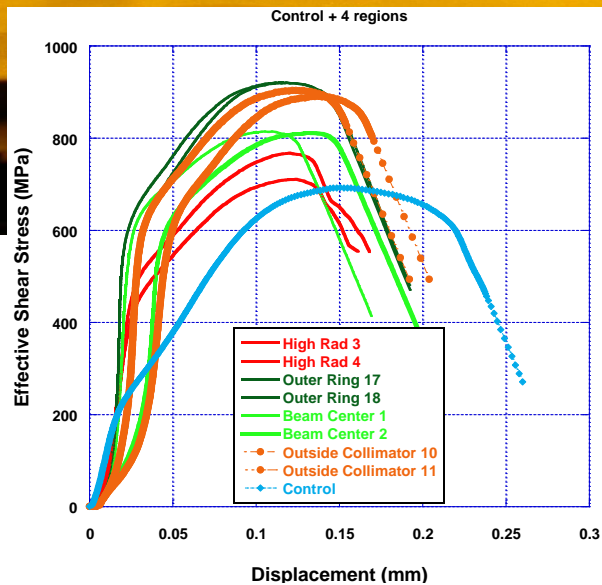
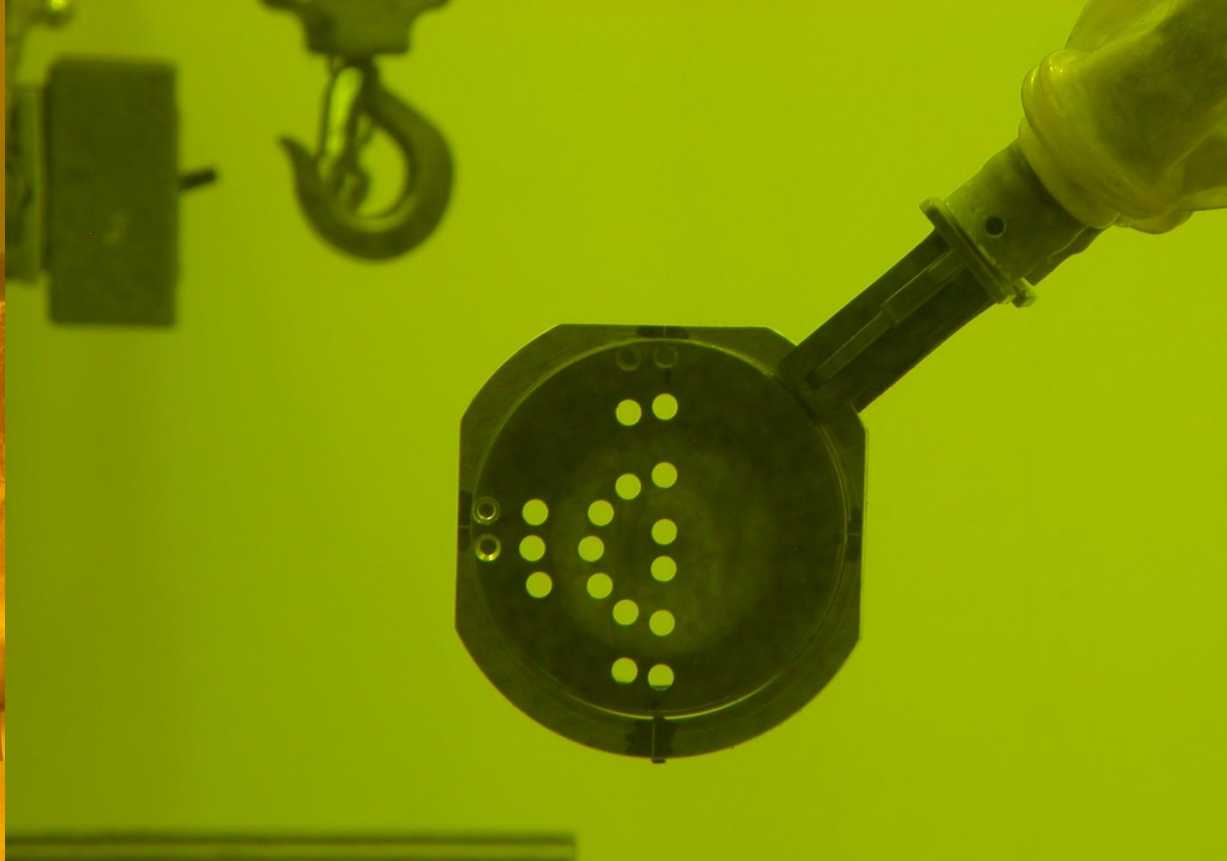
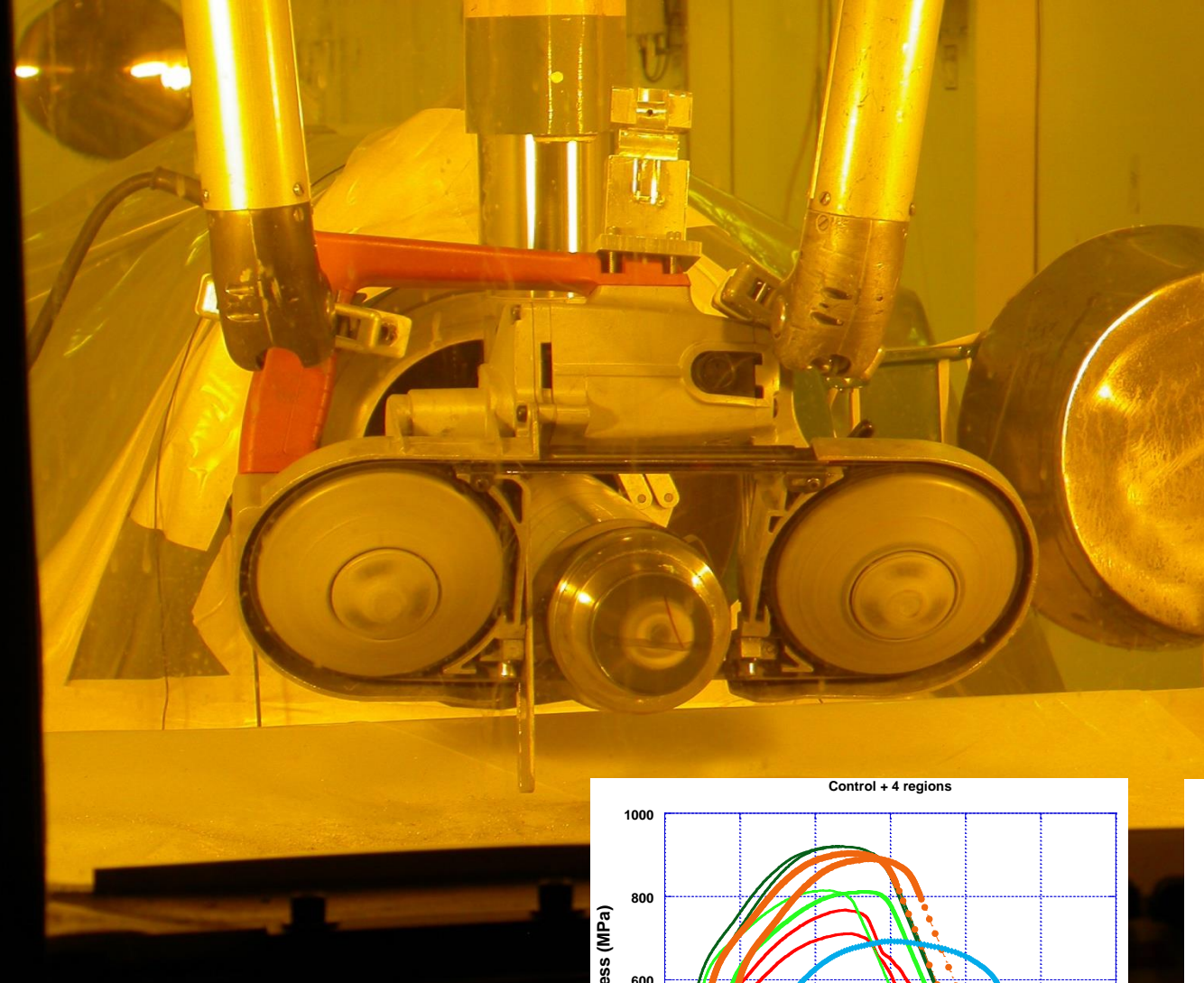


Swelling

Failed
Targets

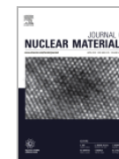
Cracking





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Review

Proton irradiation damage of an annealed Alloy 718 beam window

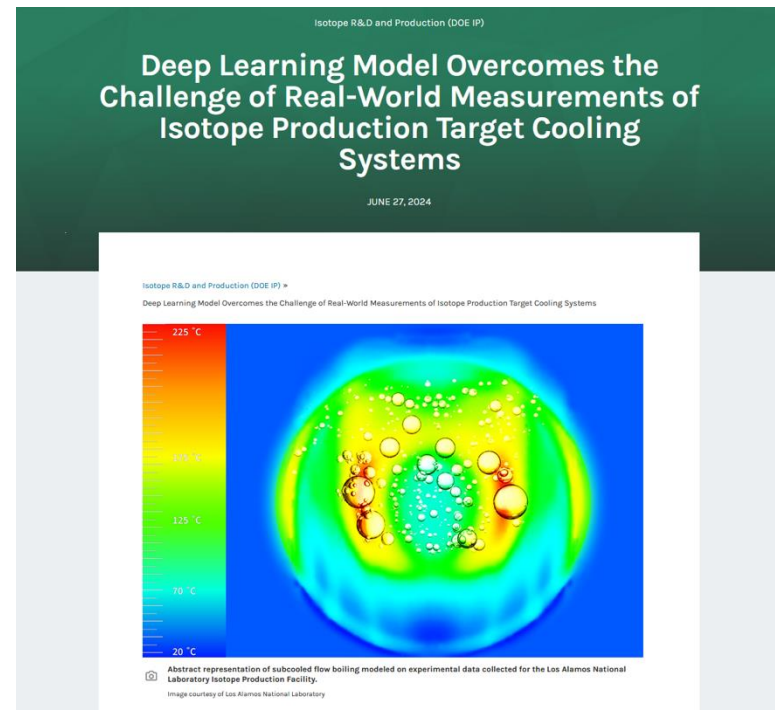
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Understanding Cooling Capacity at IPF

- Understanding cooling of isotope production targets at IPF:
 - Bounding parameter space for current operations
 - Input to predictive codes
 - Tool to rapidly iterate on improved cooling system designs toward future high current operations.



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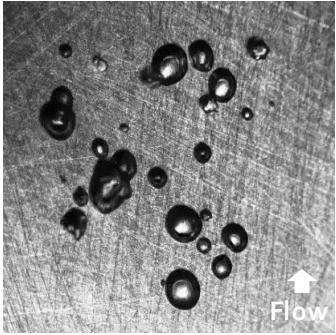
Development of experimental and computational frameworks to predict subcooled flow boiling in the LANL Isotope Production Facility

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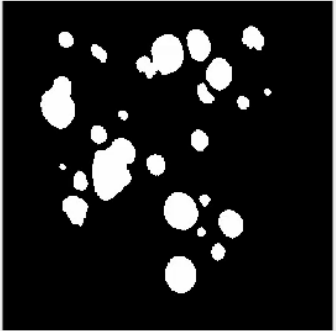
AI/ML Augmented Data Processing

High-speed video

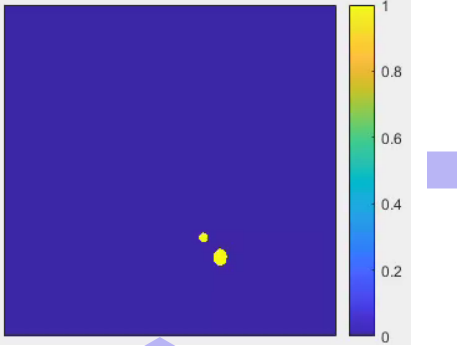


Machine learning (U-Net)

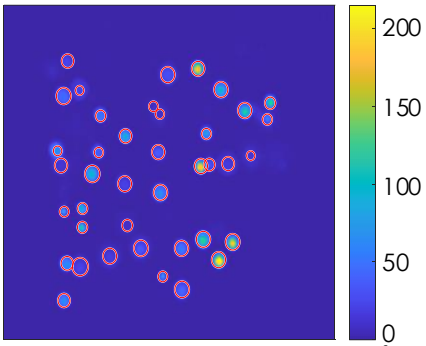
Bubble segmentation



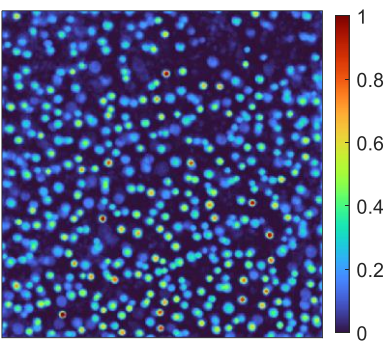
Activity Map



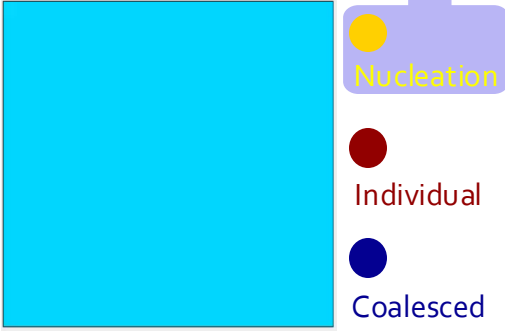
Identify nucleation sites



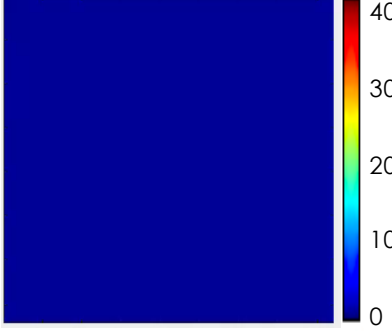
Nucleation activity map



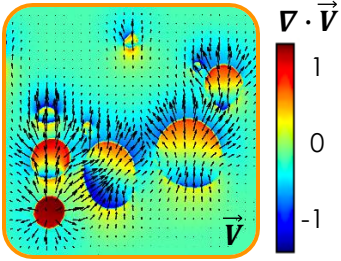
Classify individual/coalesced



Individual bubble tracking per nucleation site

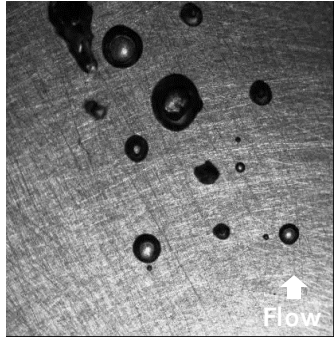


Color: Nucleation site #

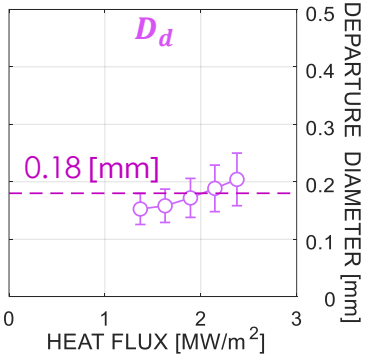


Optical flow

Bubble life-cycle identification



- Coalesced
- Condensing
- Sliding
- Growing
- Nucleation



- Nuclear site density, N''
- Departure diameter, D_d
- Growth time, t_g
- Wait time, t_w
- Departure frequency, f
- Lift-off diameter, D_l
- Sliding length, l_s

Boiling Parameters