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## Heat Transfer Characteristics of an Annulus Channel Cooled with R-134a Fluid near the Critical Pressure

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## Abstract

An experimental study on heat transfer characteristics near the critical pressure has been performed with an internally-heated vertical annular channel cooled by R-134a fluid. Two series of tests have been completed: (a) steady-state critical heat flux (CHF) and (b) heat transfer tests for pressure reduction transients through the critical pressure. In the present experimental range, the steady-state CHF decreases with the increase of the system pressure For a fixed inlet mass flux and subcooling, the CHF falls sharply at about 3.8 MPa and shows a trend toward converging to zero as the pressure approaches the critical point of 4.059 MPa. The CHF phenomenon near the critical pressure does not lead to an abrupt temperature rise of the heated wall because the CHF occurred at remarkably low power levels. In the pressure reduction transient experiments, as soon as the pressure passed through the critical pressure, the wall temperatures rise rapidly up to a very high value due to the occurrence of the departure from nucleate boiling. The wall temperature reaches a maximum at the saturation point of the outlet temperature, then tends to decrease gradually.

		$\Delta T_{sub}$	, <i>T<sub>sat</sub></i> - <i>T<sub>in</sub></i> [K]	
		$x_{CHF}$	(CHF	)[-]
$C_p$	[kJ/kgK]	ρ	[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	
G h	[kg/m <sup>2</sup> s] [kJ/kg]	Subscripts		
h <sub>lg</sub> P	[kJ/kg] [MPa]	g in		
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q" T	[kW/m <sup>2</sup> ] [K]	wall 7		
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Figure 1. Schematic flow diagram of Freon (R-134a) experimental loop





Figure 2. Annulus test section details



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Figure 3. CHF trend for the system pressure

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Figure 5. Critical quality and thermodynamic properties with pressure







experiments								
	Unit	Run1	Run2	Run3	Run4	Run5		
G	kg/m²⋅ s	500	982	1452	1475	1504		
Q"	kW/m <sup>2</sup>	69.6	110.0	126.3	169.9	239.0		
CHF*	kW/m <sup>2</sup>	33.5	48.4	58.0	82.0	119.5		
T <sub>in</sub>	K	359.5	359.9	360.1	350.2	329.2		
Tout	K	371.6	369.8	367.2	363.7	351.5		
$\Delta T_{sub}^{**}$	K	14.9	14.7	14.6	24.0	44.7		
Р	MPa	4.12	4.14	4.17	4.16	4.13		
Note *: Steady state CHF at 3.98 MPa ( $P_r = 0.98$ )								
** : $\Delta T_{sub}$ = (critical temperature) - $T_{in}$								
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Figure 7. Wall temperature and pressure variations during pressure transient-Run 1 & 3



Figure 8. Wall temperature and pressure variations during pressure transient-Run 5

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