



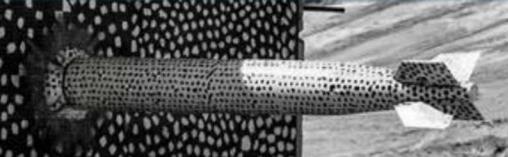
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# Bubble Bifurcation in a Vibrated, Closed, Liquid-filled Cylinder



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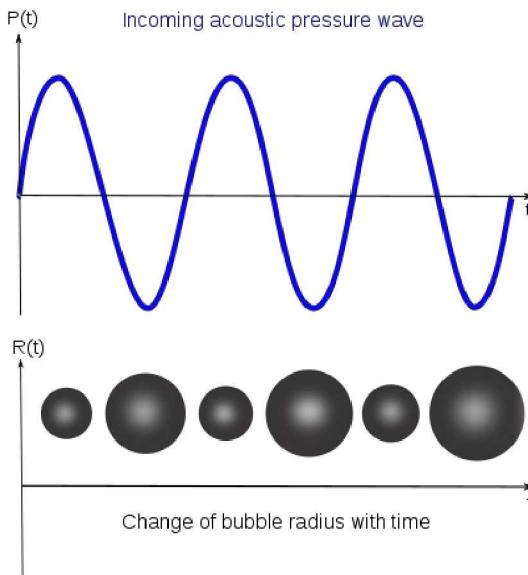


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Secondary Bjerknes – bubbles attract/repel



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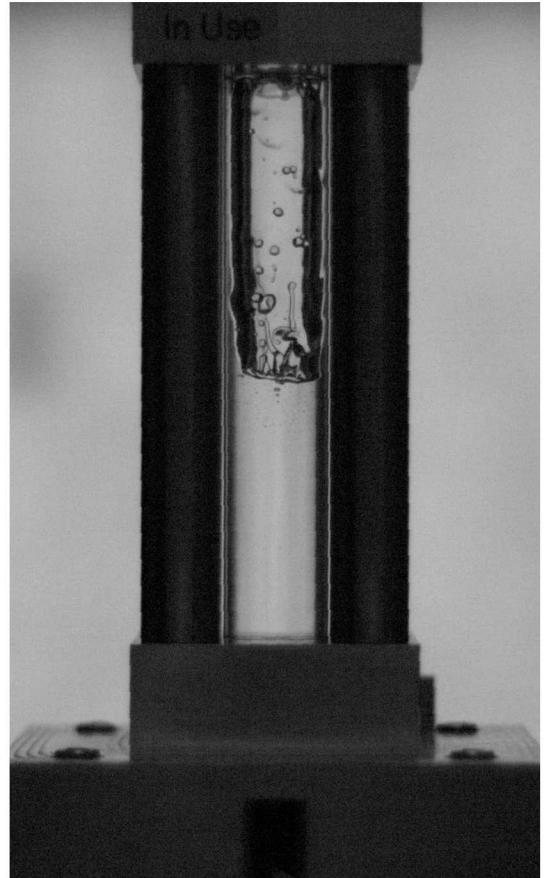
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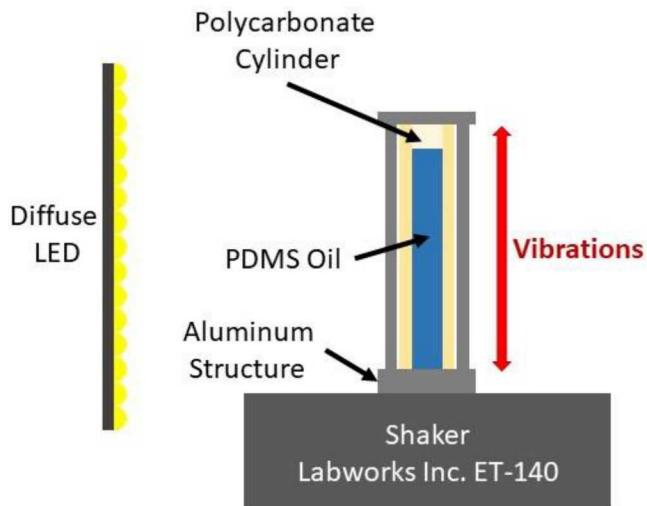
→ Bubble motion in a vibrating enclosed cylinder



# Experimental Apparatus



- Partially-filled cylinder undergoing vertical vibration
  - Cylinder height: 100 mm
  - Cylinder diameter: 12.5 mm
  - Liquid: PDMS Oil (20 cSt)
  - Fill: 50-90%
- Frequencies: 40-70 Hz
- Acceleration: 30 g



## Effects of frequency variation (with 70% fill)



40 Hz



50 Hz

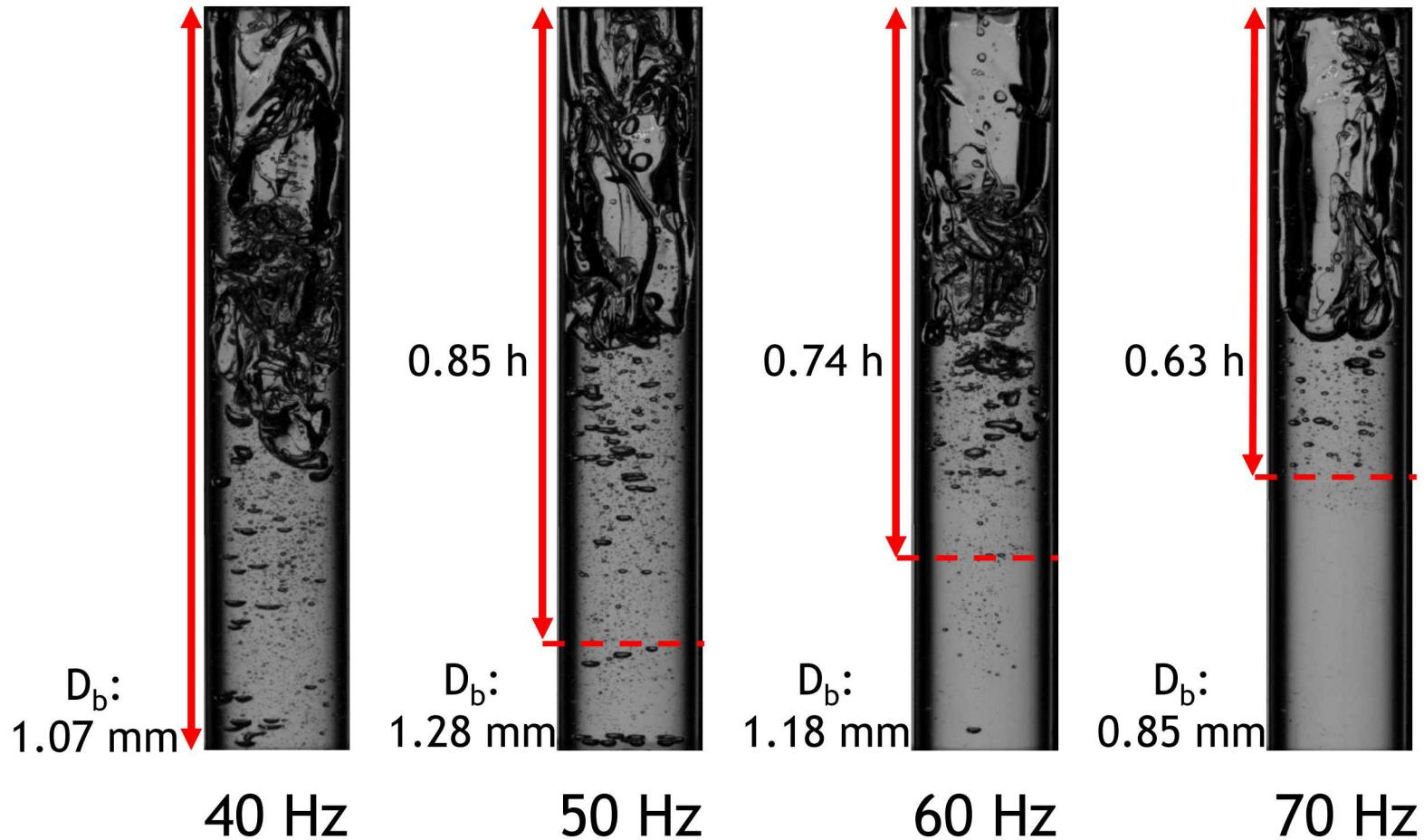


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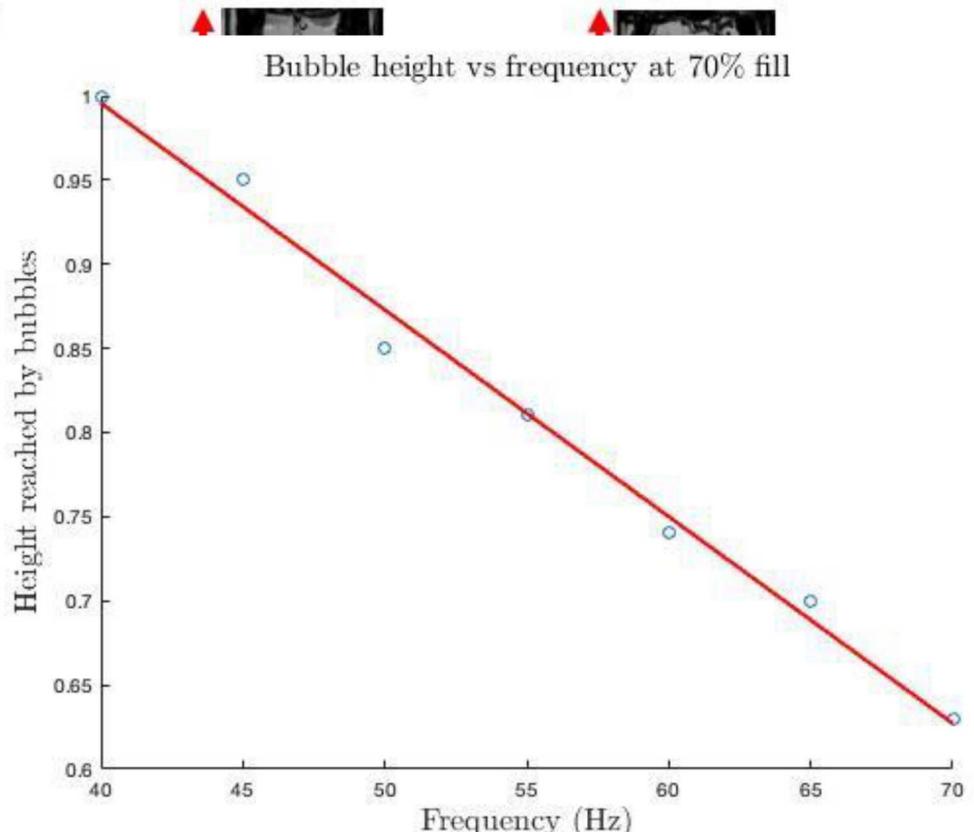
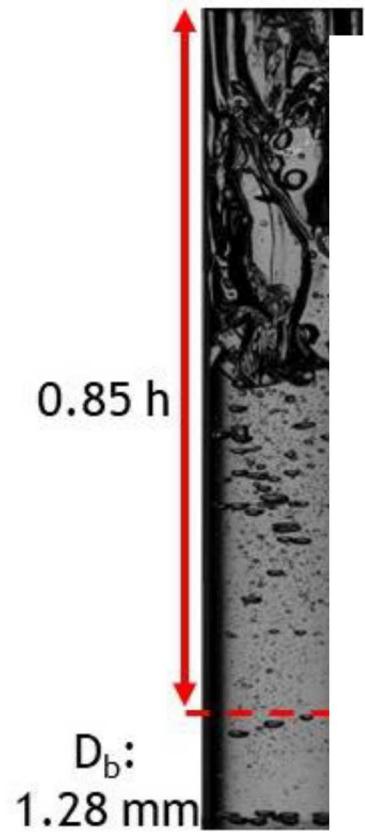


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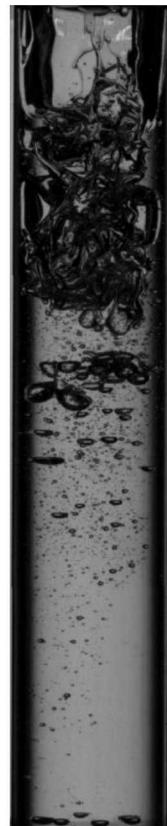
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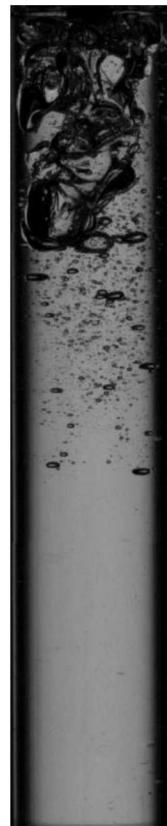
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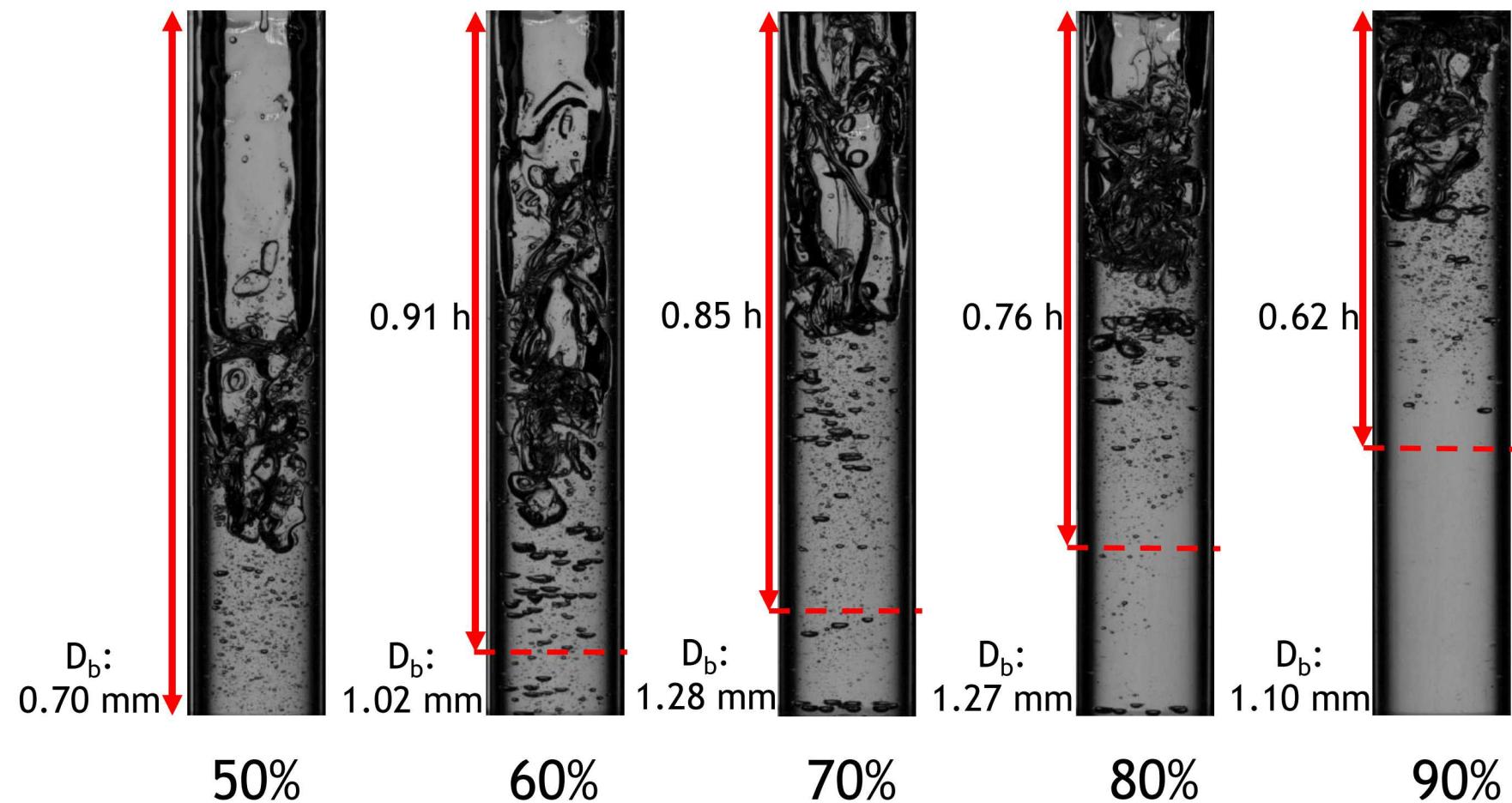


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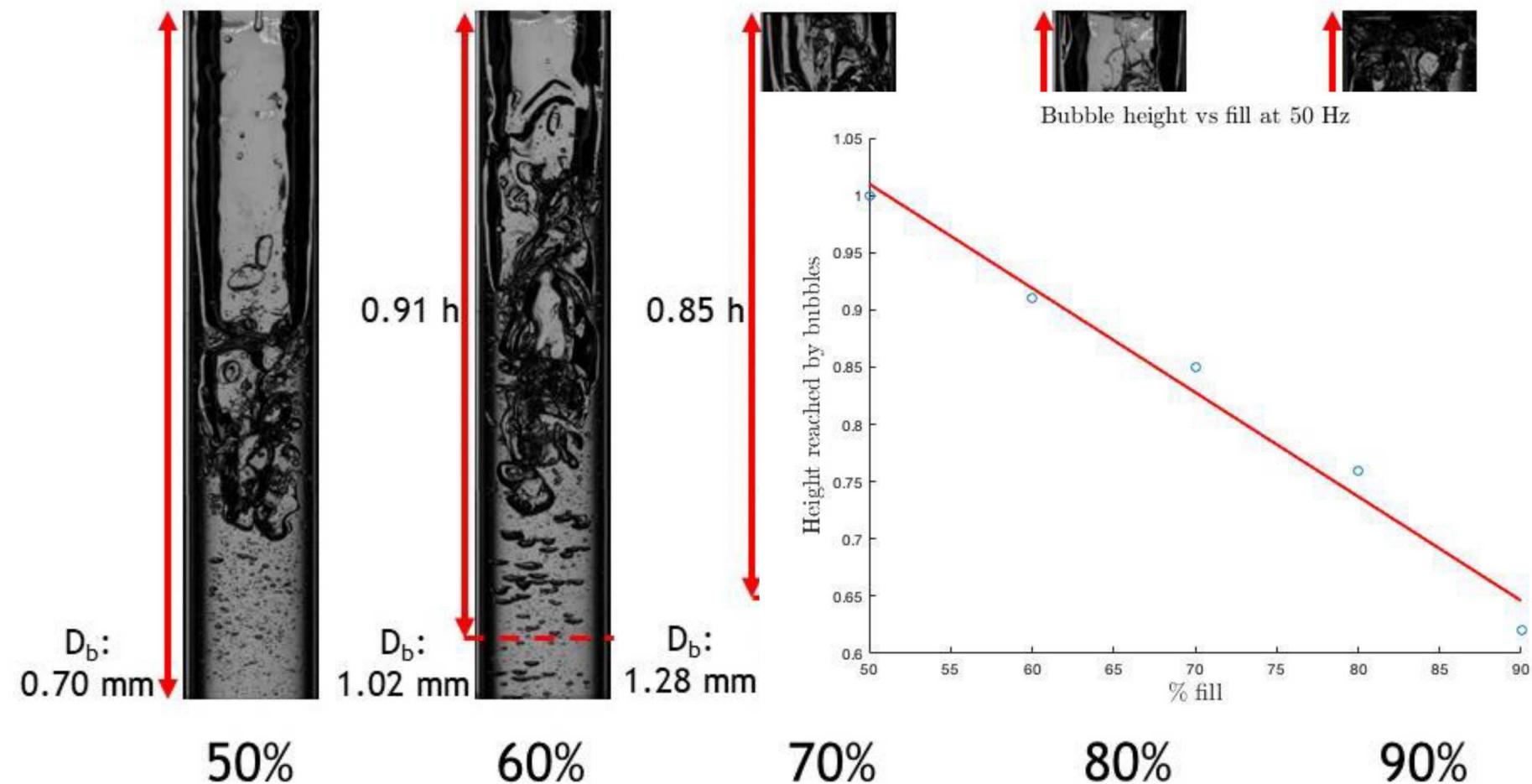


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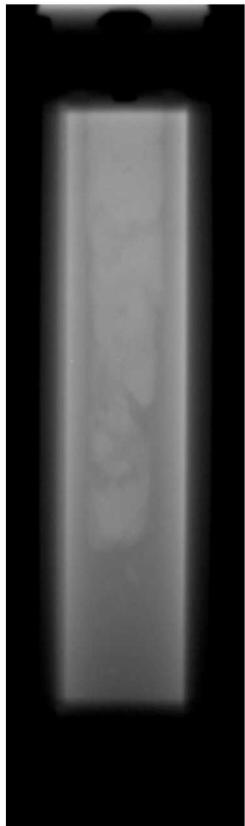
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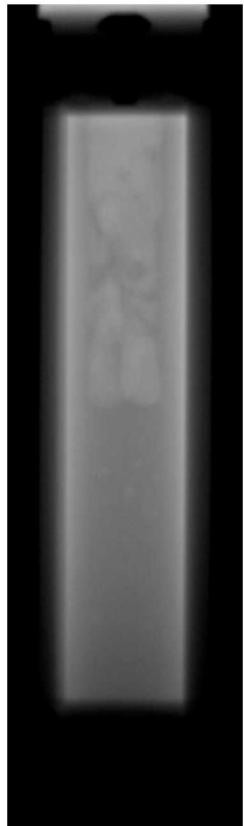
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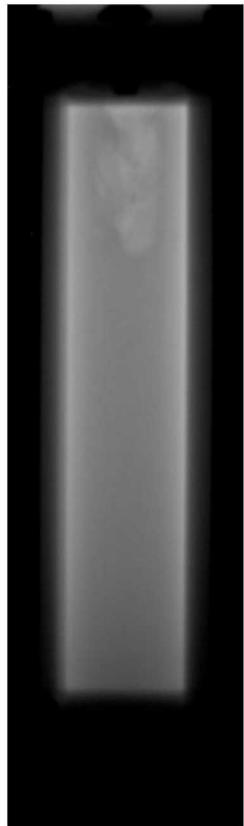
## Next Step: X-ray imaging



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# Questions?

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