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Power-Law Transition of Drop-impact Crater Collapse¹ YUANSI TIAN, ZIQIANG YANG, SIGURDUR THORODDSEN, King Abdullah Univ of Sci Tech (KAUST) — The collapse of immiscible drop-impact craters is studied with two simultaneous ultra-high-speed video cameras. Similar to previous same-liquid impacts¹, fastest jets emerge from a dimple at the bottom of the crater which contracts without bubble pinch-off. Different from the capillary-inertial collapse of a drop, where the neck radius scales as $R \sim t^{2/3}$, the pure inertial collapse follows a power law of $R \sim t^{1/2}$, where we find an exponent ~ 0.55 which is explained by a slow logarithmic approach². For the pinch-off case, we discover a power-law transition from capillary-inertial to inertial when approaching the singularity for both immiscible and miscible liquid impacts, with a cross-over time $\sim 100 \mu\text{s}$ before the pinch-off. The capillary-inertial part has a prefactor $C = R/(\sigma t^2/\rho)^{1/3} = 1.75 \pm 0.2$ based on pool properties, while the prefactor for inertial collapse, $C_{\text{inertia}} = R/(DUt)^{0.5} = 0.30 \pm 0.04$, is found. Capillary waves are found to mold the air-dimple into different collapse shapes, such as bamboo and telescopic forms. The finest jets are only $12 \mu\text{m}$ in diameter and the normalized jetting speeds are up to one order of magnitude larger than for jets from bursting bubbles. The singular jets show the earliest cross-over into the inertial regime. The fastest jets can pinch off a toroidal micro-bubble from the cusp at the jet base. 1. Thoroddsen *et al.*, *J. Fluid Mech.*, **848**,R3 (2018). 2. Eggers *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **98**, 094502 (2007). 3. Yang *et al.*, Submitted to *J. Fluid Mech.* (2020).

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