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A narrowband variational level set methodology for predicting cavitating surface nucleation sites¹ KARIM ALAME, KRISHNAN MAHESH, University of Minnesota — A robust narrowband implementation of the Gibbs free energy minimization algorithm using a variational level set methodology is presented. The method relies on the distance regularized level set equations (DRLSE) which avoids the standard reinitialization. The application of the method is to obtain a liquid-gas interface over a wedge and arbitrary rough surfaces to predict nucleation sites for different external pressure conditions. The ability of the method to predict accurately, quickly and efficiently is demonstrated.

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