## Oscillation and self-propulsion of Leidenfrost droplets enclosed in cylindrical cavities

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## Supplementary Information S1: Estimation of droplet volume



Figure S1. The method used to estimate the droplet volume.

Supplementary Information S2: Peak oscillation frequency during the first capillary wave instability mode



**Figure S2**. Peak oscillation frequency measured over an 800 ms period during the first capillary wave instability mode.

Supplementary Information S3: Dynamic variations of lobe diameter during the four-lobed mode



Figure S3. Dynamic variations of lobe diameter during the four-lobed mode.

**Supplementary Information S4**: Evolution of five-lobed dynamic mode in a circular metallic disk



Time

**Figure S4**. High-speed images showing the evolution of five-lobed droplets in a circular metal disk.

**Supplementary Information S5**: Dynamic variations of droplet height during the two-stage telescopic oscillation mode



Figure S5. Dynamic variations of droplet height during the two-stage telescopic oscillation mode.

**Supplementary Information S6**: Analysing the dynamic variations of volume for Leidenfrost droplets enclosed in a metallic disk



**Figure S6**. Analysis of dynamic variations of Leidenfrost droplets in a metallic disk. Experimental points are fitted with a symmetrical sigmoidal function.

**Supplementary Information S7**: Analysing the dynamic modes of Leidenfrost droplets in a metallic disk over six independent measurements



**Figure S7**. Comparing the dynamic modes of Leidenfrost droplets in a metallic disk over six independent measurements

**Supplementary Information 8:** Metallic disks with offset radial grooves



Figure S8. The detailed geometries of the metallic disks with offset radial grooves.

**Supplementary Information 9:** Leidenfrost droplet hovering on the top surface of the disk during its self-propulsion mode



**Figure S9**. Leidenfrost droplet leaning on the edge of the disk during the self-propulsion mode, which enables it to hover on the top surface of the disk.

**Supplementary Information 10:** Analysing the dynamic modes of Leidenfrost droplets in an upright eight-grooved disk over six independent measurements



**Figure S10**. Comparing the dynamic modes of Leidenfrost droplets in an upright eight-grooved disk over six independent measurements: **(a)** Dynamic atlas. **(b)** The values of droplet orbiting speed and sliding velocity obtained in each experiment.

Supplementary Information 11: Overlaid images of a Leidenfrost droplet during sliding motion



**Figure S11**. Sliding motion of a Leidenfrost droplet in a metallic disc with eight offset radial grooves. The droplet outlines were extracted and overlayed for every 4<sup>th</sup> frame or every 4 ms.