

Homework #3

MEMS 0051 - Introduction to Thermodynamics

Assigned January 25th, 2019
Due: February 1st, 2019

Problem #1

Please refer to the Saturated Water tables.

- a) Determine the quality of water at the following states:
 - i.) $T=150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, $\nu=0.285\text{ [m}^3/\text{kg]}$
 - ii.) $P=500\text{ [kPa]}$, $\nu=0.285\text{ [m}^3/\text{kg]}$
 - iii.) $P=800\text{ [kPa]}$, $\nu=0.61813\text{ [m}^3/\text{kg]}$
 - iv.) $T=100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, $\nu=0.001020\text{ [m}^3/\text{kg]}$
- b) Determine the specific volume and specific internal energy of water at the following states:
 - i.) $P=200\text{ [kPa]}$, $x=0.5$
 - ii.) $T=300\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, $x=0.5$
 - iii.) $P=523\text{ [kPa]}$, $x=0.5$
 - iv.) $T=72\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, $x=0.5$
- c) Determine the specific internal energy of water for the states listed in part a.

Problem #2

- a) 100 [kg] of C_2H_4 is contained in a 3 [m³] vessel at 300 °K.
 - i.) Calculate the gas constant, R , for C_2H_4 based on its molecular mass listed in Table A.5.
 - ii.) Determine how many moles, n , of C_2H_4 are in the vessel.
 - iii.) What is the pressure of C_2H_4 in the vessel?
- b) Heat is now added to the vessel until it reaches a temperature of 500 °K.
 - i.) Is the specific volume of C_2H_4 constant during this process? Why or why not?
 - ii.) What is the final pressure in the vessel?
 - iii.) Calculate the reduced pressure, P_r , of C_2H_4 after being heated.
 - iv.) Calculate the reduced temperature, C_2H_4 T_r , of before being heated.
 - v.) Can we assume that C_2H_4 behaved like an ideal gas throughout this process? Why or why not?

Problem #3

- a) Consider 2 [kg] of saturated R-134a vapor contained in a piston-cylinder apparatus. The vapor temperature is -52 °C.
 - i.) What is the total internal energy, U , of the R-134a vapor at this state?
 - ii.) What is the pressure of R-134a vapor at this state?
 - iii.) What volume is occupied by the R-134a vapor? (*Hint: look up the specific volume*)
- b) An external force now pushes down on the piston, compressing the vapor isobarically until it reaches a final volume of 1.0 [m³].
 - i.) What is the specific volume of the saturated R-134a mixture now?
 - ii.) What is the quality of the saturated R-134a mixture?
 - iii.) What is the total internal energy of both phases (U_f+U_g) in this final state?
 - iv.) How much work was done by the piston in this process? (Note: $W=P(\forall_2-\forall_1)$ for constant pressure processes).
 - v.) How much heat was transferred into the saturated R-134a during this process?