Solution to Problem 102D:



By definition the density is the ratio of the mass, m, to the volume, V, and in this two-phase flow the mass, m, is given by the sum of the mass of vapor and the mass of liquid:

$$m = \alpha \rho_A V + (1 - \alpha) \rho_L V \tag{1}$$

where the air density is denoted by ρ_A and the water density by ρ_L . Therefore the effective mixture density, ρ , is given by

$$\rho = \alpha \rho_A + (1 - \alpha) \rho_L \approx (1 - \alpha) \rho_L \tag{2}$$

Tracing the pressure, p, around the manometer (denoting the :

$$p_1 = p_2 + \rho_A gh$$
; $p_3 = p_1 + \rho_L g y_1$ (3)

$$p_4 = p_2 + \rho_L g(y_2 - H) ; \quad p_3 = p_4 + \rho_g H$$
 (4)

where $y_2 = h + y_1$, $\rho \approx \rho_L(1 - \alpha)$ and $\alpha = 1 - \rho/\rho_L$. By elimination

$$\alpha = h/H \tag{5}$$