

**AREN 2110**  
**Property Tables Information and Exercises**

INTERPOLATION

You may sometimes have to calculate one or more properties of a substance at a state that is “between” states given in the rows of the property tables. For example, suppose you need to calculate the temperature of saturated liquid water ( $x = 0$ ) at 4.7 MPa. Table A-5 (Saturated Water – Pressure Table) shows in the first three columns for the next lower and higher pressures:

P (MPa)	$T_s$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	$v_f$ ( $\text{m}^3/\text{kg}$ )
4	250.40	0.001252
5	263.99	0.001286

You can assume that the changes in properties are all linearly proportional and use linear interpolation to estimate.

$$\frac{4.7 - 4}{5 - 4} = \frac{T - 250.40}{263.99 - 250.40}$$
$$T = 259.9^{\circ}\text{C}$$

Linear interpolation works for estimating any thermodynamic intensive property in any phase for tabulated materials.

For superheated refrigerant at 1.4 MPa and  $T = 72^{\circ}\text{C}$ , the enthalpy can be estimated by interpolation using the rows from Table A-13 for 1.4 MPa:

T ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	$v_f$ ( $\text{m}^3/\text{kg}$ )	u (kJ/kg)	h (kJ/kg)
70	0.001252	262.17	295.31
80	0.001286	272.87	307.10

$$\frac{72 - 70}{80 - 70} = \frac{h - 295.31}{307.1 - 295.31}$$
$$h = 297.7\text{kJ/kg}$$

## Problems

1. For water, using the thermodynamic property tables in the appendices (A-4, A-5, and A-6) find:

- a) The phase of water at 8 MPa and 400 °C AND the specific volume and specific internal energy for water. Are temperature and pressure independent? Why?

**400 °C is greater than  $T_s$  at 8 MPa, therefore substance is superheated vapor. From Table A-6:  $v = 0.03432 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$ ,  $u = 2,863.8 \text{ kJ/kg}$ .**

**Pressure and temperature are independent since the pure substance is a single phase (vapor).**

- b) The specific internal energy,  $u$ , for superheated steam at 10 MPa and 620 °C?

**620 °C is greater than  $T_s$  at 10 MPa, therefore substance is superheated vapor. Need to interpolate in Table A-6 between state properties at 600 and 650 °C.:**

$$\frac{620 - 600}{650 - 600} = \frac{u - 3241.7}{3338.2 - 3241.7}$$

$$\mathbf{u = 3,280.3 \text{ kJ/kg}}$$

- c) The specific enthalpy of saturated liquid water at 100 kPa. The specific enthalpy,  $h$ , of liquid water at 20 °C and 100 kPa.

$$\mathbf{1. h = h_f @ 100 \text{ kPa} = 417.46 \text{ kJ/kg}}$$

$$\mathbf{2. h = h_f @ 20 \text{ °C} = 83.96 \text{ kJ/kg}}$$

- d) The phase AND the specific internal energy of water at 0.2 MPa with specific volume of  $0.80 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$ .

**At 0.2 MPa,  $v_f < 0.8 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg} < v_g$ . Therefore substance is a saturated liquid vapor mixture.**

$$\mathbf{\text{Need quality, } x, \text{ using Table A-5: } x = \frac{0.8 - 0.001061}{0.8857 - 0.00161} = 0.90}$$

$$u = x(u_{fg}) + u_f = 0.90(2025) + 504.49 = 2,333.3 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

2. For refrigerant, R-134a, using the thermodynamic property tables in the appendices (A-11, A-12, and A-13) find:

- a) The change in specific enthalpy during condensation of saturated vapor to saturated liquid at 30 °C.

$$\Delta h = -h_{fg} @ 30 \text{ }^\circ\text{C. From Table A-11: } \Delta h = -172.0 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

- b) The total volume of 2 kg of R-134a after expansion from mixture to saturated vapor at 0.12 MPa.

$$V = 2 \text{ kg} * v_g @ 0.12 \text{ MPa. From Table A-12:}$$
$$V = 2 \text{ kg} * 0.1614 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg} = 0.3228 \text{ m}^3$$

- c) The phase AND the temperature of R-134a at 0.5 MPa with specific enthalpy of 300 kJ/kg.

**300 kJ/kg >  $h_f$  @ 0.5 MPa, therefore refrigerant is superheated vapor.**  
From Table A-13,  **$T = 60 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$**  (actually  $h @ 60 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  is 299.95 kJ/kg, but this is too close to bother to interpolate.)

- d) The phase of R-134a at 0.5 MPa with specific enthalpy of 71.33 kJ/kg AND the temperature.

**71.33 kJ/kg =  $h_f$  @ 0.5 MPa (Table A-12), so refrigerant is saturated liquid** and  **$T = T_s = 15.74 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ .**