A spherical balloon is filled through an area, A_1 , with air flowing at velocity, V_1 , and constant density, ρ_1 . The radius of the balloon, R(t), can change with time, t. The average density within the balloon at any given time is $\rho_b(t)$. Determine the relationship between the rate of change of the density within the balloon and the rest of the variables.



SOLUTION:

Apply conservation of mass to a control volume that deforms to follow the interior surface of the balloon.



$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho dV + \int_{CS} \rho \mathbf{u}_{rel} \cdot d\mathbf{A} = 0 \tag{1}$$
where
$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho dV = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\rho_b \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \right) = \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \frac{d\rho_b}{dt} + 4\pi \rho_b R^2 \frac{dR}{dt}$$

$$=M_{CV}$$

$$\int_{CS} \rho \mathbf{u}_{rel} \cdot d\mathbf{A} = -\rho_l V_l A_l$$
Substitute and simplify.
$$\frac{4}{3} \pi R^3 \frac{d\rho_b}{dt} + 4\pi \rho_b R^2 \frac{dR}{dt} - \rho_l V_l A_l = 0$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d\rho_b}{dt} = \frac{\rho_l V_l A_l - 4\pi \rho_b R^2 \frac{dR}{dt}}{\frac{4}{3} \pi R^3}} \tag{2}$$