

PHY 831: Statistical Mechanics

Homework 1

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Due September 14th, 2020

1. Starting with

$$dS = \frac{1}{T}dE + \frac{P}{T}dV - \frac{\mu}{T}dN$$

show that the entropy can be derived from the Helmholtz free energy, defined as $F \equiv E - TS$, to be

$$S = - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V}$$

2. Consider a system in which the entropy $S(N, V, E)$ is an extensive quantity.

- (a) Show that

$$S = \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right)_{V,E} N + \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_{N,E} V + \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial E} \right)_{N,V} E$$

- (b) Show that this in turn results in

$$E = TS - PV + \mu N$$

3. Derive the Maxwell relations

$$\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \mu} \right)_{N,P} = - \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial S} \right)_{T,P}$$

and

$$\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_{S,N} = \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_{P,N}$$

4. A substance has the following properties:

- (i) At constant temperature T_0 the work done by it expanding from V_0 to V is

$$W = T_0 \ln \frac{V}{V_0} \quad (1)$$

- (ii) The entropy of the substance is give by

$$S = \frac{V}{V_0} \left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^a \quad (2)$$

where V_0 , T_0 , and a are fixed constants.

1. From $F = E - TS$ follows $dF = dE - TdS - SdT$

and we have $dS = \frac{1}{T}dE + \frac{P}{T}dV - \frac{\mu}{T}dN \Rightarrow dE = TdS - PdV + \mu dN$

$$\Rightarrow dF = -SdT - PdV + \mu dN$$

$$= \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_{V,N} dT + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_{T,N} dV + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial N}\right)_{T,V} dN$$

$$\Rightarrow S = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_{V,N}$$

2. S is extensive: $\lambda S(E, V, N) = S(\lambda E, \lambda V, \lambda N)$

Take derivative: $\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} [\lambda S] = S = \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial (\lambda E)}\right)_{\lambda V, \lambda N} \lambda E + \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial (\lambda V)}\right)_{\lambda E, \lambda N} \lambda V + \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial (\lambda N)}\right)_{\lambda E, \lambda V} \lambda N$

Since this has to hold for any λ and the choice of λ is arbitrary, set $\lambda = 1$.

$$\Rightarrow S = \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial E}\right)_{V,N}}_{1/T} E + \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_{E,N}}_{P/T} V + \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N}\right)_{E,V}}_{-\mu/T} N \quad (a)$$

$$= \frac{E}{T} + \frac{VP}{T} - \frac{\mu N}{T} \Rightarrow E = TS - PV + \mu N \quad (b)$$

3.

$-S$	U	V
H		F
$-p$	G	T

The thermodynamic square with potentials highlighted in red.

Schwarz' theorem (general)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x_i} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

Helmholtz free energy: $dF = -SdT - PdV + \mu dN$

$$\Rightarrow -S = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_{V,N} \text{ and } -P = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_{T,N}$$

Symmetry of second derivatives (Schwarz' theorem):

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial V} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_{V,N}\right)_{T,N} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_{T,N}\right)_{V,N} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial V} (-S)\right)_{T,N} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial T} (-P)\right)_{V,N}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_{T,N} = \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_{V,N}$$

For the other one we use Gibbs' function: $dG = -SdT + Vdp + \mu dN$

$$\Rightarrow -S = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_{P,N} \text{ and } \mu = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial N}\right)_{T,P}$$

Again, using Schwarz' theorem: $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial N} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_{P,N}\right)_{T,P} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial N}\right)_{T,P}\right)_{N,P}$

$$\Rightarrow -\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N}\right)_{T,P} = \left(\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial T}\right)_{N,P}$$

Take reciprocal: $\Rightarrow -\left(\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial S}\right)_{T,P} = \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial N}\right)_{S,P}$

- (a) Calculate the Helmholtz free energy (relative to the Helmholtz free energy at (V_0, T_0)).
 - (b) Find the equation of state.
 - (c) Find the work done by an arbitrary expansion at an arbitrary constant temperature.
5. Consider a Carnot cycle where the working substance is an ideal gas with the equation of state $PV = NT$, energy $E = NT/(\gamma - 1)$, and entropy given by

$$S = N \ln \left[\left(\frac{E}{E_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}} \frac{V}{V_0} \right] + NS(N), \quad (3)$$

where γ is a constant. The cycle operates between temperatures T_1 and T_2 ($T_1 > T_2$) and decompresses at T_1 from volume V_a to volume V_b .

- (a) Explicitly calculate the work done and heat gained or lost in each step of the cycle.
- (b) Explicitly show this cycle has an efficiency

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{T_2}{T_1}$$

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(a) We have $dF = -P dV - S dT$ (N constant) $\Rightarrow P = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_T$, $S = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_V$

We can integrate along isotherms: $F(V, T_0) = -\int_{V_0}^V P dV = -\Delta Q = -\Delta W = -RT_0 \ln \frac{V}{V_0}$

And with that for any temperature it follows:

$$F(V, T) = -\int_{T_0}^T S(V, T) dT + F(V, T_0) = -\int_{T_0}^T R \frac{V}{V_0} \left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^a dT + F(V, T_0)$$

$$= -RT_0 \ln \frac{V}{V_0} - R \frac{V}{V_0} T_0^{-a} \frac{T^{a+1}}{a+1} \Big|_{T_0}^T$$

$$= -RT_0 \ln \frac{V}{V_0} + \frac{RT_0}{V_0(a+1)} \left(1 - \left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{a+1} \right) = F$$



(b) Using the result from (a) and the Maxwell relation $P = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_T$

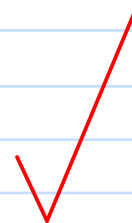
$$\Rightarrow P = \frac{RT_0}{V} - \frac{RT_0}{V_0(a+1)} \left(1 - \left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{a+1} \right)$$



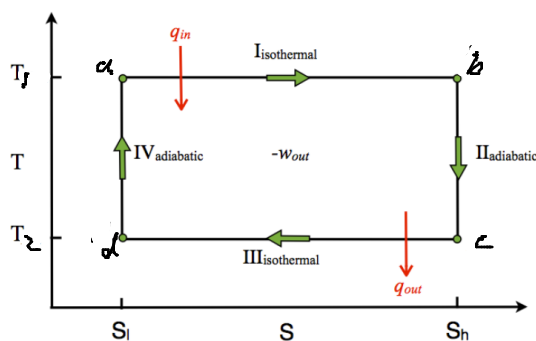
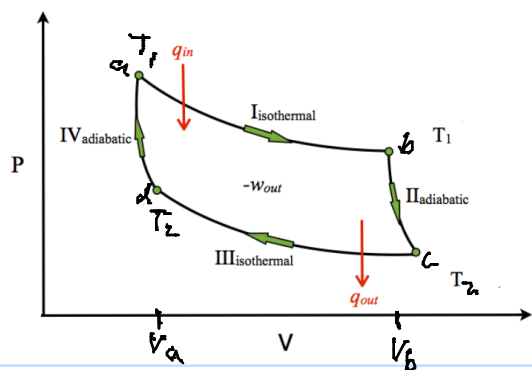
(c)

$$W = \int_{V_0}^V P dV = RT_0 \ln \frac{V}{V_0} - \frac{RT_0}{V_0(a+1)} \left(1 - \left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{a+1} \right) (V - V_0)$$

$$W = RT_0 \ln \frac{V}{V_0} - \frac{RT_0}{a+1} \left(1 - \left(\frac{T}{T_0} \right)^{a+1} \right) \left(\frac{V}{V_0} - 1 \right)$$



5.



(a)

$a \rightarrow b$: isothermal $T = T_1 \Rightarrow W_{ab} = \int_{V_a}^{V_b} P dV \stackrel{PV=NT}{=} NT_1 \int_{V_a}^{V_b} \frac{dV}{V} = NT_1 \ln \frac{V_b}{V_a}$

$\Delta E = \Delta Q - \Delta W = q_{in} - w_{ab} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{N(T_1 - T_2)}{\gamma - 1}$ so $W_{ab} = q_{ab} = q_{in} = NT_1 \ln \frac{V_b}{V_a}$

$b \rightarrow c$: adiabatic $q_{bc} = 0$ and $P(V) = P_b \left(\frac{V_b}{V}\right)^\gamma = \frac{NT_1}{V_b} \left(\frac{V_b}{V}\right)^\gamma$

so $W_{bc} = \int_{V_b}^{V_c} P dV = \frac{NT_1 V_b^{\gamma-1}}{\gamma-1} (V_c^{1-\gamma} - V_b^{1-\gamma}) = \frac{NT_1}{\gamma-1} \left(1 - \left(\frac{V_b}{V_c}\right)^{\gamma-1}\right)$

with $P_c = \frac{NT_2}{V_c} = \frac{NT_1}{V_b} \left(\frac{V_b}{V_c}\right)^\gamma$ follows $\frac{V_b}{V_c} = \left(\frac{T_2}{T_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}$

and therefore $W_{bc} = \frac{NT_1}{\gamma-1} \left(1 - \frac{T_2}{T_1}\right) = \frac{N}{\gamma-1} (T_1 - T_2)$

$c \rightarrow d$: isothermal so same as $a \rightarrow b$ just substitute T_1 for T_2
 V_a for V_c
 V_b for V_d

$q_{out} = q_{cd} = W_{cd} = NT_2 \ln \left(\frac{V_d}{V_c}\right)$

$d \rightarrow a$: adiabatic same as $b \rightarrow c$ with $T_1 \leftrightarrow T_2$, $V_b \rightarrow V_d$, $V_c \rightarrow V_a$

$q_{da} = 0$

$W_{da} = \frac{N}{\gamma-1} (T_2 - T_1) = -W_{bc}$

(b) $W = W_{ab} + W_{bc} + W_{cd} + W_{da} = W_{ab} + W_{cd}$

$= NT_1 \ln \frac{V_b}{V_a} + NT_2 \ln \frac{V_d}{V_c} = N(T_1 - T_2) \ln \frac{V_b}{V_c}$

$\Rightarrow \eta = \frac{W}{q_{in}} = \frac{N(T_1 - T_2) \ln \frac{V_b}{V_a}}{NT_1 \ln \frac{V_b}{V_a}} = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{T_1} = 1 - \frac{T_2}{T_1} = \eta$

because $\frac{V_d}{V_a} = \left(\frac{T_1}{T_2}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}} = \frac{V_c}{V_b}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{V_d}{V_c} = \frac{V_a}{V_b}$