Structure factors for 2D Lennard-Jones fluids

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S(0) from pressure virial expansions

The virial expansion of pressure can be used to estimate S(0) at low densities through the compressibility relationship, *i.e.*

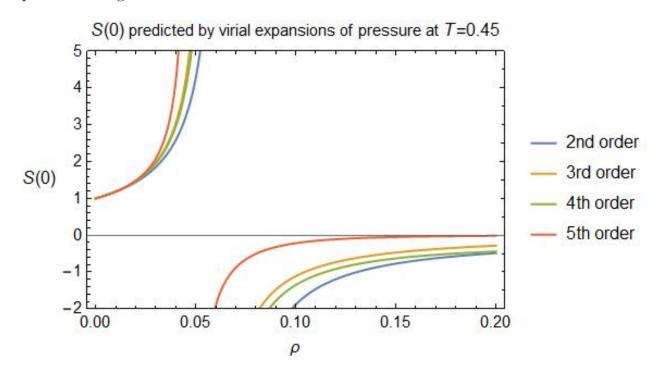
$$\rho k T \kappa_T = S(0) = \left(\frac{\partial \frac{p}{kT}}{\partial \rho}\right)_T^{-1}$$

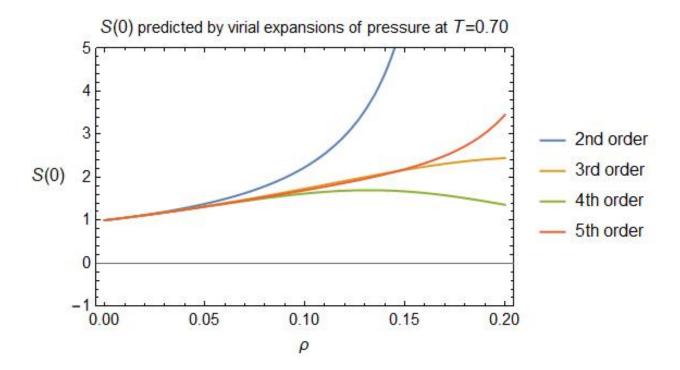
$$= \left(1 + 2B_2(T)\rho + 3B_3(T)\rho^2 + 4B_4(T)\rho^3 + 5B_5(T)\rho^4 + \ldots\right)^{-1}$$
(1)

We take virial expansions at one subcritical temperature, T=0.45 and one supercritical temperature, T=0.70, taking $T_c=0.56$, as in Monte Carlo simulations. The virial coefficients up to the fifth order are given below.

T	B_2^{-1}	$B_3^{\ 1}$	$B_4^{\ 2}$	B_5 ³
$0.45 \ (0.8T_c)$	-7.6592	-12.29	39.89	186.26
$0.70 \ (1.25T_c)$	-2.7613	4.279	10.1924	-55.68

The dependence of S(0) with ρ as predicted by pressure virial expansions at both temperatures are given below.





Both graphs suggests that S(0) rises above 1 at low densities, starting from the second order expansion. The divergence of isothermal compressibility at T=0.45 indicates a vapor-liquid phase transition. The 3rd, 4th and 5th virial expansions are able to predict the supercritical behavior at T=0.70.

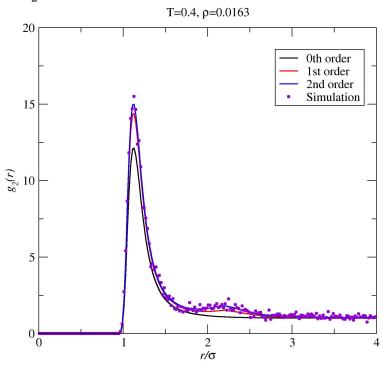
S(k) from virial expansion of pair statistics

The radial distribution function $g_2(r)$ can be written in the power series

$$g_2(r) = e^{-\phi(r)/kT} \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho^n y_n(r) \right)$$
 (2)

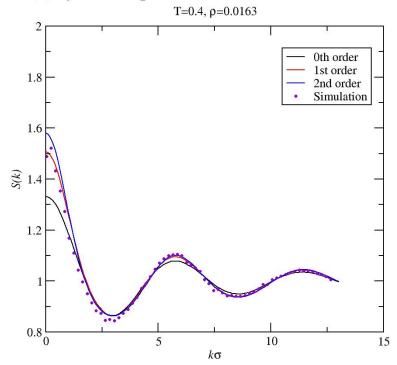
The form of y_1 and y_2 at several temperatures are given in Ref. 2. The following graph shows the zeroth, first and second order expansion of g_2 at $\rho = 0.0163$, T = 0.40, as well as the Monte Carlo simulation results.

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The following graph shows S(k) obtained by Fourier transform of $g_2(r)-1$ as well as the Monte Carlo simulation results at $\rho=0.0163, T=0.40$.

S(k) by virial expansion and Monte Carlo simulation

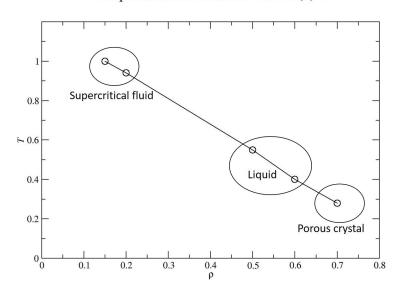


Therefore, at low densities, the first and second order virial expansion of g_2 are able to predict S(k) relatively well, though they don't necessarily give a very accurate value of S(0) because the functions $y_n(r)$ are not reported for $r \geq 4.0$ in the literature.

Temperatures and densities at which S(0) = 1

The following graph shows the temperature at which S(0) = 1, with 400 simulation particles. The linearity is excellent $(R^2 = 0.9995)$ with the equation $T = -1.31\rho + 1.2$ even as the states shown here range from supercritical fluids to liquids to (porous) crystals. The implications are still to be explored.





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