

Key points of 03/07 lecture

- canonical ensemble, quantum:

$$\hat{\rho}_{\text{can}} = \frac{e^{-\beta \hat{\mathcal{H}}}}{\text{Tr}(e^{-\beta \hat{\mathcal{H}}})} = \frac{e^{-\beta \hat{\mathcal{H}}}}{Q(N, T, V)}$$

$Q = \text{Tr}(e^{-\beta \hat{\mathcal{H}}})$

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}_{\text{can}} \hat{A})$$

the order here does not matter

$$\text{Tr}(e^{-\beta \hat{\mathcal{H}}}) = \sum_m e^{-\beta E_m} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \langle x | e^{-\beta \hat{\mathcal{H}}} | x \rangle dx$$

E_m eigenenergies of $\hat{\mathcal{H}}$

here: single particle
in one spatial
dimension

- Reminders from quantum: $\langle x | y \rangle = \delta(x - y)$

$$\int |x\rangle \langle x| dx = \hat{1} \quad (\text{closure})$$

$$|y\rangle = \int |x\rangle \delta(x - y) dx$$

- Example: $\langle \hat{\mathcal{H}} \rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho} \hat{\mathcal{H}}) = \text{Tr}\left(\frac{\hat{\mathcal{H}} e^{-\beta \hat{\mathcal{H}}}}{\text{Tr}(e^{-\beta \hat{\mathcal{H}}})}\right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \log(\underbrace{\text{Tr}(e^{-\beta \hat{\mathcal{H}}})}_{Q(N, T, V)})$

Same as in classical SM