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# **Experiment 7**

# **Partition Function-02**

# Canonical Ensemble - Maxwell Boltzmann ( Ideal Gas)

## 1. METHOD

- (a) Connection between State function and Partition function?
- (b) Difference between Micro-Canonical, Canonical and Grand-Canonical ensemble?

### 2. CODING

Generate a matrix that stores for different V and T the values of Z(V,T) according to

$$Z(V,T) = \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^\infty n_j^2 \exp\left(-\frac{h^2}{8mV^{2/3} k_B T} n_j^2\right) dn_j$$

What is  $\infty$  here in the integration?

### (a) (Pressure, Internal Energy and Entropy)

The intensive function pressure P can be found as

$$P = NkT \left( \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial V} \right)_T$$

The extensive function internal energy U can be found as the average energy is

$$\langle E \rangle = \frac{U}{N} = kT^2 \left( \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial T} \right)_V$$

The entropy S can be found as

$$S = \frac{U}{T} + Nk(\ln Z - \ln N + 1)$$

#### (b) (Internal Energy)

The specific heat capacity is

$$C_v = \frac{\partial < E >}{\partial T}$$

and the variance in energy or the "Energy fluctuations" are

$$\left\langle (\Delta E)^2 \right\rangle = \frac{\partial^2 lnZ}{\partial \beta^2} = kT^2 C_v$$

#### 3. PLOTS

#### (a) (Figure 1)

Use the integral expression for the partition function to Plot  $\ln Z$ 

- (a) versus temperature T and  $\ln T$  for different values of V and  $\ln V$  and label the curves
- (b) versus volume V for different values of T and label the curves.

Take ranges as T = 150 - 450 K,  $V = 20 - 50 \times 10^{-3} m^3$  and P = 30 - 90 kPa.

Hint: the upper limit of the integral can be anywhere between  $10^{11}$  to  $10^{15}$ 

Also check if this matches with the analytical expression  $Z(V,T) = V\left(\frac{2\pi mk}{h^2}\right)^{3/2} T^{3/2}$ 

# (b) (**Figure 2**)

### Plot the pressure P

- (a) versus temperature T for different values of V and label the curves
- (b) versus volume V for different values of T and label the curves

## (c) (**Figure 3**)

### Plot the internal energy U versus temperature T.

Evaluate the specific heat capacity from the slope of graph using inbuilt function . Take  $V=20\times 10^{-3}m^3$ 

# (d) **(Figure 4)**

*Plot the entropy S* 

- (a) versus temperature T for different values of V and label the curves
- (b) versus volume V for different values of T and label the curves.

### 4. APPLICATIONS

(a) Thermodynamics of magnetic systems: negative temperatures