

Chapter 3 HW 8

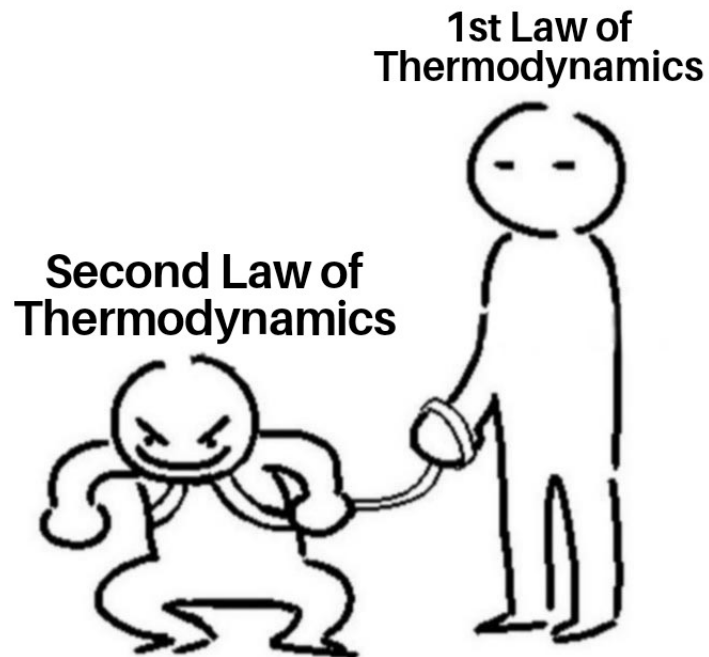
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1 3.2:

The zeroth Law of Thermodynamics states that when in equilibrium, the temperatures of bodies A and B are equal and same for bodies B and C, thus temperatures of body A and C are equal, $T_A = T_B = T_C$. Proving this by using the definition of temperature, defined in equation 3.5,

$$\frac{1}{T} \triangleq \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial U} \right)_{N,V} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{T_A} = \frac{\partial S_A}{\partial U_A} = \frac{1}{T_B},$$

Where,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{T_B} &= \frac{\partial S_B}{\partial U_B} = \frac{1}{T_C}, \\ \therefore \frac{\partial S_A}{\partial U_A} &= \frac{\partial S_C}{\partial U_C}. \end{aligned}$$

2 3.3:

Body A has a steeper slope than that of body B, meaning the energy (U) wants to spontaneously flow into A from B. Effectively increasing the entropy (S) in body A. The flow of energy into A stops when the slopes of the 2 S vs. U plots are equal, thus in thermal equilibrium. An image of this equalizing is shown below,

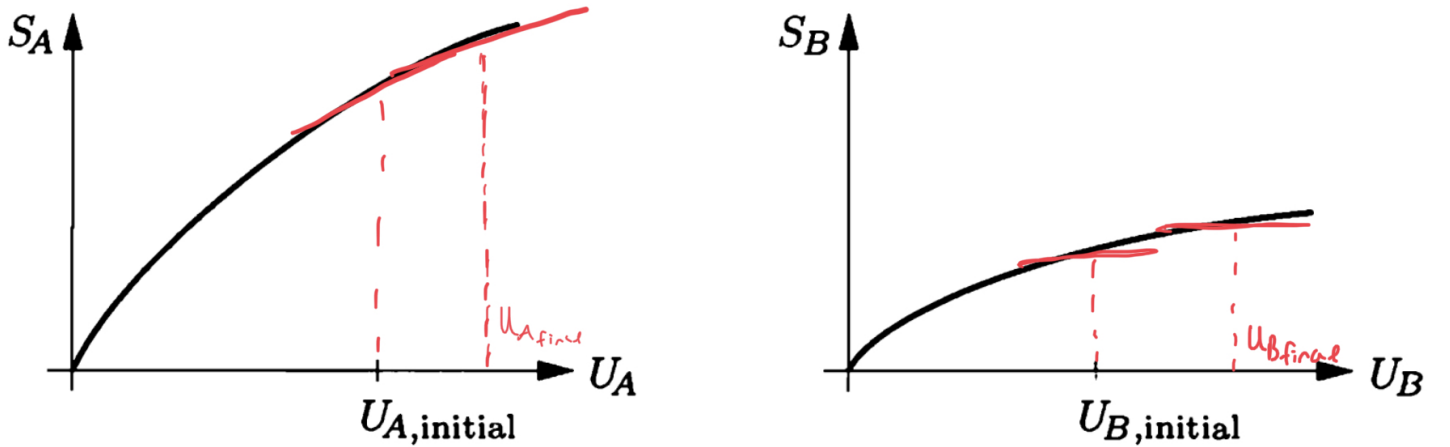


Figure 3.3. Graphs of entropy vs. energy for two objects.

Figure 1: Copied from the book on page 90 of chapter 3

3 3.5:

The result from problem 2.17 in chapter 2 is multiplicity when $q \ll N$, given by,

$$\Omega = \left(\frac{eN}{q} \right)^q,$$

We also know from the section 'Real World Examples' in chapter 3 that $U = q\epsilon$. Given the definitions of entropy and temperature from eq 2.45 and 3.5, respectively, are,

$$S \triangleq k \ln(\Omega), \quad \frac{1}{T} \triangleq \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial U} \right)_{N,V},$$

We can solve for Energy as a function of Temperature,

$$S = k \ln\left(\frac{eN}{q}\right)^q = kq \ln\left(\frac{eN}{q}\right) = kq(\ln(e) + \ln(N) - \ln(q)),$$

Plugging in $U = q\epsilon$,

$$S = \frac{kU}{\epsilon}(\ln(N) - \ln(U) + \ln(\epsilon) + 1),$$

Taking the partial w.r.t. the energy (U) and solving for U by using Law of Logs and the Power Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{T} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial U} \left[\frac{kU}{\epsilon} (\ln(N) - \ln(U) + \ln(\epsilon) + 1) \right] = \frac{\partial}{\partial U} \left(\frac{kU}{\epsilon} [\ln(N\epsilon) + 1] \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial U} \left(\frac{kU \ln(U)}{\epsilon} \right) = \frac{k}{\epsilon} [\ln(N\epsilon) + 1] - \left(\frac{k \ln(U)}{\epsilon} + \frac{k}{\epsilon} \right) = \\ &= \frac{k}{\epsilon} \left[\ln\left(\frac{N\epsilon}{U}\right) + 1 - 1 \right] = \frac{k}{\epsilon} \ln\left(\frac{N\epsilon}{U}\right), \end{aligned}$$

Moving all the terms outside of the log to the other side and solving for U,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\epsilon}{kT} &= \ln\left(\frac{N\epsilon}{U}\right) \Rightarrow e^{\epsilon/kT} = e^{\ln(N\epsilon/U)} = \frac{N\epsilon}{U}, \\ \therefore U &= N\epsilon e^{-(\epsilon/kT)}. \end{aligned}$$

4 3.6:

We know that the multiplicity is proportional to the energy to the power of half of the total degrees of freedom, with some constant of proportionality l ,

$$\Omega = l \cdot U^{Nf/2},$$

Using the definition of entropy and temperature from eq. 2.45 and 3.5, respectively, we can find the Energy in terms of its Temperature,

$$S \triangleq k \ln(\Omega) = k[\ln(l) + \ln(U)^{(Nf/2)}] = k[\ln(l) + \frac{Nf}{2} \ln(U)],$$

Plugging into the definition of Temperature,

$$\frac{1}{T} \triangleq \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial U} \right)_{N,V} = \frac{\partial S}{\partial U} [k \ln(l)] + \frac{\partial S}{\partial U} \left[k \frac{Nf}{2} \ln(U) \right] = 0 + \left[k \frac{Nf}{2U} \right],$$

$$\therefore U = \frac{NfkT}{2}.$$

This is known as the Equipartition Theorem, for every DoF (Nf) there is an average Kinetic Energy of $\frac{1}{2}kT$.

5 3.7:

From problem 2.42 in chapter 2 we solved for the entropy of a Black Hole (B.H.), which is found to be,

$$S = \frac{8\pi^2 GU^2 k}{hc^5},$$

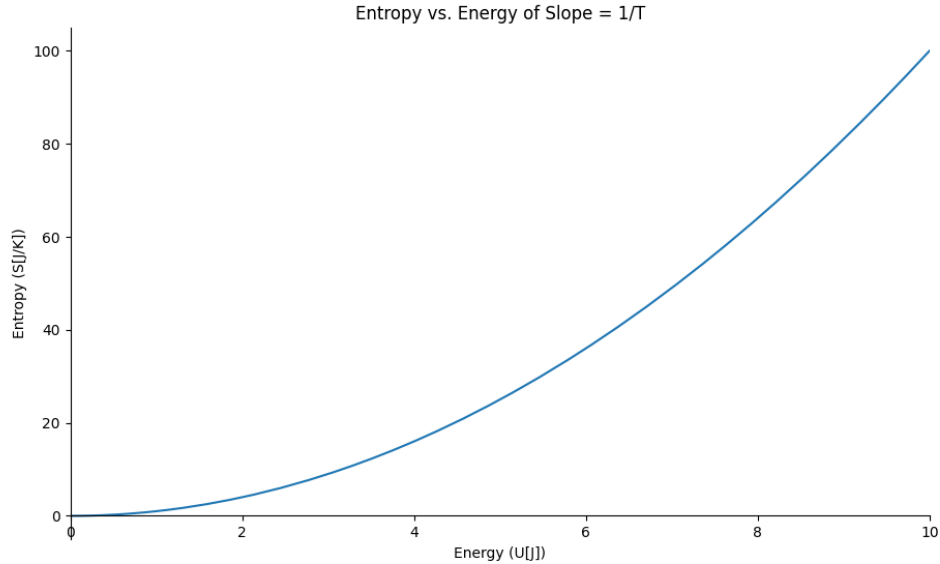
The question gives tells us that $U = Mc^2$, where for this question, the mass of the B.H. is 1 solar mass, $M_{\odot} = 1.989 \times 10^{30} kg$. Calculating the Temperature of the B.H. from the definition of Temperature, eq. 3.5,

$$\frac{1}{T} \triangleq \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial U}\right)_{N,V} = \frac{8\pi^2 Gk}{hc^5} \frac{\partial}{\partial U}(U^2) = \frac{8\pi^2 Gk}{hc^5} \cdot 2Mc^2 = \frac{16\pi^2 GM_{\odot}k}{hc^3}.$$

Solving for the reciprocal and plugging in the knowns,

$$T = \frac{hc^3}{16\pi^2 GM_{\odot}k} = \frac{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} Js)(2.998 \times 10^8 m/s)^3}{16\pi^2 (6.67 \times 10^{-11} m^3/kg \cdot s^2)(1.989 \times 10^{30} kg)(1.38 \times 10^{-23} J/K)} = 6.176 \times 10^{-8} K = 0.6176 nK.$$

Because the entropy equation is proportional to the squared value of U, the graph is parabolic,



The slope of the graph is steep which means it has a low temperature, as we saw from our solution of the temperature of a B.H., and that the energy wants to flow into it. The parabola is concave up, meaning the Entropy increases as Energy increases, increasing the temperature. This is a greedy little guy, since he wants more energy without giving any; this is called a miserly system, described in Chapter 3 from the analogy.