

Mathematical identities

$$N! \approx N^N e^{-N} \left(\cdot \sqrt{2\pi N} \right), \quad \ln(N!) \approx N \ln N - N$$
$$\int dx \, \delta(u - ax) = \frac{1}{a} \int dx \, \delta(u/a - x)$$
$$\int f(x) \delta(g(x)) \, dx = \sum_j \frac{f(x_j)}{g'(x_j)}$$
$$\sum_{n=0}^\infty x^n = \frac{1}{1-x}, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \ln x = 0$$

Standard set of second derivatives

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_{P,N}, \quad \kappa_T = -\frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \right)_{T,N}, \quad c_{P/V} = \frac{T}{N} \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_{P/V,N}$$
$$c_P = c_V + \frac{\alpha^2 T V}{N \kappa_T}, \quad \kappa_S = \kappa_T - \frac{T V \alpha^2}{N c_P}$$

Phase Transitions

To illustrate, consider the van der Waals Fluid. From ideal gas, add attraction term, $-aN^2/V$, for neighboring particles, and restrict volume due to hard particle spheres, $V \rightarrow V - bN$. This yields

$$F_{IG} = -Nk_B T \left[\ln(V/N) + \frac{3}{2} \ln(k_B T) + X \right]$$
$$F_{VdW} = -Nk_B T \left[\ln \left(\frac{V - bN}{N} \right) + \frac{3}{2} \ln(k_B T) + X \right] - a(N^2/V)$$

This yields the following expression for pressure and energy

$$P = \frac{Nk_B T}{V - bN} - \frac{aN^2}{V^2}, \quad U = \frac{3}{2} Nk_B T - a \left(\frac{N^2}{V} \right)$$

PT BOLTZMANN+MAX-BOLT

Classical statistical mechanics

Microcanonical ensemble: Assign equal prob. to each microstate, $P_s = 1/W$, where W is the number of microstates in energy range.

$$\Omega(E, V, N) = \frac{1}{h^{3N} N!} \int dq \int dp \, \delta(E - H(p, q))$$
$$Z = \int dE \, \Omega(E, V, N) \exp(-\beta E) = \frac{1}{h^{3N} N!} \int dq \int dp \, e^{-\beta H(q, p)}$$

Liouville Theorem

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{3N} \left(\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial q_\alpha} \dot{q}_\alpha + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial p_\alpha} \dot{p}_\alpha \right) = 0$$
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \{H, \rho\}, \quad \{A, B\} = \sum_\alpha \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial q_\alpha} \frac{\partial B}{\partial p_\alpha} - \frac{\partial A}{\partial p_\alpha} \frac{\partial B}{\partial q_\alpha} \right)$$
$$\rho(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{P}) = \frac{1}{h^{3N} N!} \delta(E - H(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{P}))$$

QM statistical mechanics

$$P_n = \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{Z}, \quad Z = \sum_l \Omega(l) \exp(-\beta E_l), \quad \Omega(l) = \text{Deg. of } E_l$$
$$S = -k_B \sum_n P_n \ln P_n, \quad \beta F = -\ln Z + f(V, N). \text{ (} f = -\ln N! \text{ for dist. part.)}$$
$$Z = \sum_{\{n_j\}} \prod_{j=1}^N \exp(-\beta E_{n_j}) = \prod_{j=1}^N \left(\sum_{n_j} \exp(-\beta E_{n_j}) \right)$$
$$\epsilon_{\vec{k}} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} k^2 = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2m L^2} n^2 = \epsilon_{\vec{k}}, \quad D(\epsilon) = \frac{V}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} \epsilon^{1/2}$$

Grand Canonical Ensemble

In equilibrium with a reservoir. Can exchange energy and particles.

$$Z = \sum_{\{n_\epsilon\}} \prod_{\epsilon} e^{-\beta(\epsilon - \mu)n_\epsilon} = \prod_{\epsilon} \sum_{n_\epsilon} e^{-\beta(\epsilon - \mu)n_\epsilon} = \prod_{\epsilon} Z_\epsilon$$
$$\langle n_\epsilon \rangle = \frac{1}{Z_\epsilon} \sum_{n_\epsilon} n_\epsilon e^{-\beta(\epsilon - \mu)n_\epsilon}, \quad \langle N \rangle = \sum_{\epsilon} \langle n_\epsilon \rangle, \quad U = \langle E \rangle = \sum_{\epsilon} \epsilon \langle n_\epsilon \rangle$$

Bosons and Fermions

Using + for fermions and − for bosons:

$$\langle n_\epsilon \rangle = \frac{1}{e^{\beta(\epsilon - \mu)} \pm 1}, \quad Z = \left\{ \prod_{\epsilon} (1 + \exp(-\beta(\epsilon - \mu))), \quad \mathbf{f} \right. \\ \left. \prod_{\epsilon} (1 - \exp(-\beta(\epsilon - \mu)))^{-1}, \quad \mathbf{b} \right.$$
$$\ln Z = \pm \sum_{\epsilon} \ln \left(1 \pm e^{-\beta(\epsilon - \mu)} \right) \approx \pm \int_0^\infty d\epsilon \, D(\epsilon) \ln \left(1 \pm e^{-\beta(\epsilon - \mu)} \right) [= \beta PV]$$
$$N = \int_0^\infty d\epsilon \, D(\epsilon) (\exp[\beta(\epsilon - \mu)] \pm 1)^{-1}. \quad U = \int_0^\infty d\epsilon \, \epsilon D(\epsilon) (\exp[\beta(\epsilon - \mu)] \pm 1)^{-1}$$

Bose-Einstein statistics

Since $\langle n_\epsilon \rangle > 0$, must have $\epsilon > \mu$ for bosons. Set lowest energy state as $\epsilon = 0 \implies \mu < 0$. At low-T, using $x = \beta\epsilon$, $D(\epsilon) = \chi \epsilon^{1/2}$ and $e^{\beta\mu} = \lambda$

$$N = \chi (k_B T)^{3/2} \int_0^\infty dx \frac{x^{1/2}}{\lambda^{-1} e^x - 1} \xrightarrow{\lambda^{-1}=1} \chi (k_B T_E)^{3/2} 2.315$$
$$k_B T_E = \left(\frac{2\pi \hbar^2}{m} \right) \left(\frac{N}{2.612V} \right)^{2/3}$$
$$T < T_E : \quad N = N_0 + N \left(\frac{T}{T_E} \right)^{3/2} = [\exp(-\beta\mu) - 1]^{-1} = N \left[1 - \left(\frac{T}{T_E} \right)^{3/2} \right]$$
$$\mu \approx -\frac{k_B T}{N} \left[1 - \left(\frac{T}{T_E} \right)^{3/2} \right]^{-1}, \quad \text{expanding small } \beta\mu \text{ for } T < T_E$$

Fermi-Dirac statistics

The occupation number as $T \rightarrow 0$ is (MULTIPLY D BY FACTOR 2 FOR ELECTRONS)

$$f(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta(\epsilon - \mu)} + 1} \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow 0} \Theta(\epsilon_F - \epsilon), \quad \epsilon_F \equiv \lim_{T \rightarrow 0} \mu(T, N)$$
$$N = X \frac{2}{3} \epsilon_F^{3/2}, \quad U = X \frac{2}{5} \epsilon_F^{5/2} \implies \epsilon_F \propto (N/V)^{2/3}$$
$$U/N = \frac{3}{5} \epsilon_F \xrightarrow[\text{T=0}]{\text{Euler eq.}} PV = \frac{2}{5} \epsilon_F N$$
$$\epsilon_F = y (N/V)^{2/3} \implies \kappa_T^{-1} = \frac{2}{3} \epsilon_F \frac{N}{V}$$

Sommerfeld expansion

At low non-zero T , valid for $k_B T / \epsilon_F \ll 1$.

$$I = \int_0^\infty d\epsilon \, \phi(\epsilon) f(\epsilon)$$
$$f(\mu + x) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta x} + 1} = 1 - \frac{1}{e^{-\beta x} + 1} = 1 - f(\mu - x)$$
$$I = \int_0^\mu d\epsilon \, \phi(\epsilon) - \int_0^\mu d\epsilon \, \phi(\epsilon) \frac{1}{e^{-\beta(\epsilon - \mu)} + 1} + \int_\mu^\infty d\epsilon \, \phi(\epsilon) \frac{1}{e^{\beta(\epsilon - \mu)} + 1}$$
$$\phi(\mu + z/\beta) - \phi(\mu - z/\beta) = \frac{2z}{\beta} \phi'(\mu) + \frac{2}{3!} \left(\frac{z}{\beta} \right)^3 \phi'''(\mu) + \dots$$
$$I = \int_0^\mu d\epsilon \, \phi(\epsilon) + (k_B T)^2 \phi'(\mu) 2 \int_0^\infty dz \frac{z}{e^z + 1} +$$
$$= \int_0^\mu d\epsilon \, \phi(\epsilon) + (k_B T)^2 \phi'(\mu) \frac{\pi^2}{6} + (k_B T)^4 \phi'''(\mu) 7 \frac{\pi^4}{360} + \mathcal{O}(T^6)$$
$$U : \phi(\epsilon) = X \epsilon^{3/2} \implies U = X [2/5 \mu^{5/2} + \pi^2/4 (k_B T)^2 \mu^{1/2}] + \mathcal{O}(T^4)$$
$$\mu \approx \epsilon_F \left(1 - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \left(\frac{k_B T}{\epsilon_F} \right)^2 + \dots \right), \quad \text{iterate, expand use } N(T=0)$$

Plugging in for U and expanding $\mu^{5/2}$ and $\mu^{1/2}$ up to T^2 gives

$$U = \frac{2}{5} X \epsilon_F^{5/2} + \frac{\pi^2}{6} (k_B T)^2 X \epsilon_F^{1/2} \implies C_V = \frac{\pi^2}{2} N k_B \left(\frac{k_B T}{\epsilon_F} \right) + \mathcal{O}(T^3)$$

where $X \epsilon_F^{3/2} = 3/2 \cdot N$. The linear dependence is observed for metals at low T .

The Harmonic solid

1D crystal lattice with spacing a . Pos.: $r_j = R_j + x_j$, $R_j = a \cdot j$ is equil. pos., x_j is the deviation and $j = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$. Model as springs, with P.BC,

$$H = \frac{m}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \dot{x}_j^2 + \frac{K}{2} \sum_j (x_{j+1} - x_j)^2$$
$$H = \frac{m}{2} \sum_k |\dot{X}_k|^2 + \frac{K}{2} \sum_k 4 \sin^2(ka/2) |X_k|^2$$
$$K_k = 4K \sin^2(ka/2), \quad \omega_{\vec{k}} = K_k/m = \tilde{\omega}^2 4 \sin^2(ka/2)$$
$$Z = \prod_k \sum_{n=0}^\infty e^{-\beta \hbar \omega_k (n+1/2)}, \quad F = \sum_k \left(\frac{\hbar \omega_k}{2} + k_B T \ln \left(1 - e^{-\beta \hbar \omega_k} \right) \right)$$

P.BC: $x_{j+N} = x_j \implies k = \frac{2\pi}{Na} n$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Also, for $\vec{k} = 2\pi z/a$, $z \in \mathbb{Z}$, $X_{\vec{k}} = X_k$. All info about x_j gotten from X_k in $\vec{k} \in [-\pi/a, \pi/a)$. This is the *First Brillouin zone*.

Debye approximation

$\omega_k \approx \tilde{\omega} ka$ for small k . *Debye approximation:* $\hbar \omega_k = \hbar v \left| \vec{k} \right|$ as lin. rel., v is speed of sound (interpolate between known low and high T sol). Sphere of radius $k_D = (6\pi^2/a^3)$. Debye energy and temperature: $\hbar \omega_D \equiv \hbar v k_D$ and $\theta_D \equiv \hbar \omega_D / k_B$. $x = \beta \hbar v k$, we get

$$U = \text{const} + 3N \left(\frac{a}{2\pi} \right)^3 \int_{\text{1st B.Z.}} d^3 k \frac{\hbar v \left| \vec{k} \right|}{e^{\beta \hbar v \left| \vec{k} \right|} - 1} \text{ (gen. HS in 3D)}$$
$$= \text{const} + 9N \frac{k_B T}{(\theta_D/T)^3} \int_0^{\theta_D/T} dx \frac{x^3}{e^x - 1}$$

For high and low T ($T \gg \theta_D$) and $T \ll \theta_D$, we get

$$U = \text{const} + 3N k_B T$$
$$U = \text{const} + \frac{3N \pi^4}{5} \frac{(k_B T)^4}{(\hbar \omega_D)^3}, \quad c_V = \frac{12}{5} \pi^4 k_B \left(\frac{k_B T}{\hbar \omega_D} \right) \propto T^3$$

Ising model

1D chain: $h = 0$

$$Z = \sum_{\tau_1} \prod_{i=2}^N \left(\sum_{\tau_i} e^{\beta J \tau_i} \right) = 2(2 \cosh(\beta J))^{N-1}$$
$$U = -(N-1)J \tanh(\beta J), \quad c = k_B \beta^2 J^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{N} \right) \frac{1}{\cosh^2(\beta J)}$$

Ising chain with transfer matrices

$J \neq 0, h \neq 0$, use P.BC. ($\sigma_{N+1} = \sigma_1$). Write H symmetrically

$$H = -J \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} - \frac{h}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (\sigma_i + \sigma_{i+1})$$
$$Z = \sum_{\{\sigma\}} \prod_{i=1}^N T_{\sigma_i, \sigma_{i+1}} = \text{Tr} \left(T^N \right) = \lambda_1^N + \lambda_2^N, \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\beta J - \beta h} & e^{-\beta J} \\ e^{-\beta J} & e^{\beta J + \beta h} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\lambda_1 = e^{\beta J} \cosh(\beta J) + \sqrt{e^{2\beta J} \cosh^2(\beta h) - 2 \sinh(2\beta J)}, \quad (\lambda_1 > \lambda_2)$$
$$\frac{F}{N} = -k_B T \ln \lambda_1 \xrightarrow{h=0} -k_B T \ln(2 \cosh(\beta J))$$
$$m = \frac{1}{N} \langle \sigma_j \rangle = \frac{1}{\beta N} \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial h} = -\frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial F}{\partial h}, \quad \chi = \frac{\partial m}{\partial h} = \frac{1}{\beta N} \frac{\partial^2 \ln Z}{\partial h^2}$$

Mean Field Approximation

$$\tilde{\sigma} = \sigma - m \implies \sigma_j \sigma_k \approx m^2 + m(\tilde{\sigma}_j + \tilde{\sigma}_k) \implies \sigma_j \sigma_k \approx -m^2 + m(\sigma_j + \sigma_k)$$

In the Hamiltonian, include factor 1/2 for the double counting of spin. Sum over $\sigma_j \sigma_{j+\delta}$. Introduce $z = 2d = \sum_{\delta} 1$. PBC: Shift $j \rightarrow j' = j + \delta$

$$H = -\frac{J}{2} \sum_j \sum_{\delta} \left(-m^2 + m\sigma_j + m\sigma_{j+\delta} \right) = Jm^2 \frac{Nz}{2} - Jmz \sum_j \sigma_j$$

Adding the field again, defining $h_{\text{eff}} = Jmz + h$, we get $H_{\text{MFA}} = Jm^2 \frac{Nz}{2} - h_{\text{eff}}$. Since all spins are the same on average, sum over σ_1 N times.

$$Z = e^{-\beta Jm^2 Nz/2} (2 \cosh(\beta h_{\text{eff}}))^N = e^{-\beta Jm^2 Nz/2} Z_1^N$$
$$m = \frac{1}{Z_1} \sum_{\sigma_1=-1}^{+1} \sigma_1 e^{(\beta h_{\text{eff}} \sigma_1)} = \tanh(\beta h + \beta Jzm) \quad (m = m_1)$$

Disordered: $m = 0$. Ordered: $k_B T/Jz < 1$, 3 solutions: $x = \pm 1, 0$, but $x = 0$ unstable. $k_B T_c = zJ$. For $T \lesssim T_c$ with $h = 0$, m is small, and we can expand to solve for m

$$m \approx \beta Jmz - \frac{1}{3}(\beta mJz)^3 \implies m^2 = 3 \left(\frac{T}{T_c} \right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{T}{T_c} \right)$$
$$m \propto \left(\frac{T_c - T}{T_c} \right)^{1/2} \quad (T \sim T_c)$$

Existence of PT

$$k_B T_c \approx \frac{\Delta E}{\ln N_{\text{ex}}}$$
$$k_B T_c = 2J/(\ln(N-1) - \ln 2) \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{for } N \rightarrow \infty \quad (1\text{D Ising})$$
$$k_B T_c = \frac{2J \cdot l}{\ln(2N(z-1)^l) - \ln 2} = \frac{2J \cdot l}{\ln N + l \cdot \ln 3} \quad (2\text{D Ising})$$

Landau argument for PT existence

A symmetry can't be continuously deformed into another symmetry. Thus: Two phases with different symmetries are always separated by one or more PT's (There can still be PT between phases of same symmetries).

Critical exponents

Many quantities behave like power laws of t close to T_c for cont. PT's. E.g.

$$C(r) = \langle (m(r) - \langle m(r) \rangle)(m(0) - \langle m(0) \rangle) \rangle \sim f(r)e^{-r/\xi}$$

And with $\xi \rightarrow \infty$ at T_c , we get $C(r) \rightarrow f(r)$.
General parameters

$$\alpha : c_V \sim \frac{1}{|t|^\alpha}, \quad \beta : m \sim (-t)^\beta \text{ (order param. } t < 0)$$
$$\gamma : \chi = \partial_H m(H=0) \sim \frac{1}{|t|^\gamma}, \quad \delta : m \sim |H|^{1/\delta} \text{ (} t = 0)$$
$$\nu : \xi \sim \frac{1}{|t|^\nu}, \quad \eta : C(r) \sim \frac{1}{|r|^{d-2+\eta}}, \text{ (} r \ll \xi)$$
$$\nu(2-\eta) = \gamma, \quad \alpha + 2\beta + \gamma = 2, \quad \beta(\delta-1) = \gamma, \quad 2-\alpha = \nu d$$

Renomrmalization group

Universality: Same behavior at PT for several different microscopic systems.

RG-trans: Trans. betw. different microscopic models behaving the same at macroscopic scales.

Example: 1D Ising with a const., C .

$$Z = \sum_{\{\sigma\}} T_{s_a s_{2a}} \dots T_{s_{Na} s_a} \cdot \quad T_{i=j} = e^{\beta J + \beta C}, \quad T_{i \neq j} = e^{-\beta J + \beta C}$$

Now, perform sum over every second site. Sum over s_{2a} yields $T^2 = 2e^{2\beta C} \begin{pmatrix} \cosh(2\beta J) & 1 \\ 1 & \cosh(2\beta J) \end{pmatrix} = e^{\beta C'} \exp \left(\beta J' \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = T'$. The new transfer matrix is for the Ising chain with spin on every second site. Now, $H' = -\sum_r (J' s_r s_{r+a'} + C')$, $a' = 2a$, with

$$2e^{2\beta C} \cosh(2\beta J) = e^{\beta C'} e^{\beta J'}, \quad 2e^{2\beta C} = e^{\beta C'} e^{-\beta J'}$$
$$K_1 \equiv e^{-2\beta J}, \quad K'_1 \equiv e^{-2\beta J'}, \quad K_2 \equiv e^{-2\beta C}, \quad K'_2 \equiv e^{-2\beta C'}$$

Now, $K_1 = 1 \implies \beta J \rightarrow 0$ (disordered) and $K_1 \implies \beta J \rightarrow \infty$ (ordered). Solving for K'_1 , we get $K'_1 = \frac{2K_1}{1+K_1^2}$. Since $K_1 \in (0, 1)$ then $1 + K_1^2 > 1$. Iterating (subsequent RG trans.) for $K_1 > 0$ we will converge to $K_1 = 1$. Then, for $K_1 \gtrsim 0$, $K'_1 \approx 2K_1$. We have $K_1 = K_1(a)$, $K'_1 = K_1(2a)$.

In general, for incr. latt. spacing $s > 1$, we have $K(sa) = s^{y_k} K(a)$. y_k is scaling expo., repr. repulsive fp when positive (relevant), attractive fp when negative (irrelevant) (marginal for $y_k = 0$, go beyond lin.).

The scaling relation in general is, for any dim-full quantity, Q with satial dim D , measured in units of latt. spacing, $\boxed{\hat{Q}(\{K\}) = s^D \hat{Q}(\{Ks^{y_k}\})}$.

Usually two relevant coupling, t and h . Drop hats $\xi(h, t) = s\xi(hs^{y_h}, ts^{y_t})$, $y_h, y_t > 0$. arbitrary $s > 1$, choose it s.t. $ts^{y_t} = 1 \implies s = t^{-1/y_t}$.

$$\xi(h, t) = t^{-1/y_t} \xi(ht^{-y_h/y_t}, 1), \quad h = 0 \implies \xi(0, t) = \frac{1}{t^{1/y_t}} \xi(0, 1)$$

where $x(0, 1)$ is a number. Compare to crit. exp. we see that $\xi \sim 1/|t^\nu| \implies \nu = 1/y_t$. For $m = -Tdf(h=0)/dh$, choose $s = (-t)^{-1/y_t}$.

Finite size scaling

Numerics: Finite system size, L . Intr. dimless len $L^{-1} = (L/a)^{-1}$, for $a' = as$ dimless len incr. as $L'^{-1} = sL^{-1}$. Then, corr.len (drop h) scales as (choose $s = L$)

$$\xi(t, L^{-1}) = L\xi(tL^{y_t}, 1) = Lg(tL^{y_t}), \quad \xi(tL^{y_t} \rightarrow \infty) \sim 1/t^\nu \implies g(x) \rightarrow 1/x^{1/y_t}$$
$$\text{(Fin.L near } t=0): g(x) = g(0) + xg'(0) \implies \xi(t, L^{-1})/L = g(0) + tL^{y_t}g'(0)$$

At $t = 0$, RHS ind. of L . Compute ξ/L for different L , T_c found where curves cross. Exponent, ν , gotten by computing $\partial_T(\xi/L)_{(T=T_c)} = L^{y_t}g'(0)/T_c$. Plot log of LHS vs. log of L , get straight line with slope y_t .

Cumulant expansion

Use mom. gen. func.

$$P_k = \int dx P(x) e^{-ikx} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-ik)^m}{m!} \langle x^m \rangle$$
$$\ln P_k \equiv \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-ik)^\ell}{\ell!} \langle x^\ell \rangle_c$$

Equate P_k with the exponentiated $\ln P_k$, compare powers of $(-ik)$. Yields $\langle x \rangle_c = \langle x \rangle$, $\langle x^2 \rangle_c = \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2, \dots \langle x^p \rangle$: Draw p dots, connect in all possible ways. Cluster of m dots is $\langle x^m \rangle_c$, (disjoint: $m = 0$).

Part. func. for interacting gas, $H = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\vec{p}_i^2}{2m} + \tilde{u}(\mathbb{Q})$.

$$Z = Z_0 \int \frac{d\mathbb{Q}}{V^N} e^{-\beta \tilde{u}} = Z_0 \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-\beta)^m}{m!} \int \frac{d^3 q_1}{V} \dots \frac{d^3 q_N}{V} [\tilde{u}(q_1, \dots, q_N)]^m$$

so $Z = Z_0 \sum_m (-\beta)^m / m! \langle \tilde{u}^m \rangle$. For free energy, $\ln Z \sim F$, we get

$$\ln Z = \ln Z_0 + \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-\beta)^\ell}{\ell!} \langle \tilde{u}^\ell \rangle_c$$

With assumptions of potential, can now find contr. to F from cumulants. Assuming $\tilde{u}(q\dots) = \sum_{i < j} u(\vec{q}_i - \vec{q}_j)$ and $u(-q) = u(q)$, the first cum. is

$$\langle \tilde{u}^1 \rangle_c = \langle \tilde{u} \rangle = \frac{N(N-1)}{2} \int d^3 q/V u(\vec{q})$$

Diag. for pair-wise int. P pairs for $\langle \tilde{u}^p \rangle$, connect each by dotted line. Label points, numbers on different pairs can be equal. Merge opints if numbers on different pairs are equal. Find the number of ways, G , to assign labels to diagram to get a spec. topology. For a given diagram there is a factor $u(q_i - q_j)$ for each dotted line. An integral $\int d^3 q/V$ for each point. A factor G . The sum of G for each order p should equal $(N(N-1)/2)^p$.
Disconnected and one-particle reducable diagrams don't contribute.

Cluster expansion

For hard-core (u big for $q \rightarrow 0$), the p -th term is $\sim \int u^p(q)$. But $p + 1$ term is bigger, so the series can't be truncated. Use

$$p_1(-\beta) + p_2(-\beta)^2/2! + \dots + p_p(-\beta)^p/p! = \frac{N(N-1)}{2V} \int d^3q (e^{-\beta u} - 1)$$

where the integrand is $f(q)$. The GC-PF becomes

$$\begin{aligned} Z(\mu, T, V) &= \sum_{N=0}^\infty \frac{1}{N!} \left(\frac{e^{\beta \mu N}}{\lambda^3} \right)^N S_N \\ S_N &= \int d^3q_1 \dots d^3q_N e^{-\beta \tilde{u}} = \int \prod_{i < j} \left(e^{-\beta u(q_i - q_j)} - 1 + 1 \right) = \int \prod (f_{ij} + 1) \\ &= \sum'_{\{n_\ell\}} \prod b_\ell^{n_\ell} W(\{n_\ell\}), \quad \sum'_{\ell=1}^N n_\ell \ell = N \end{aligned}$$

b_ℓ all ways to connect points, S_N : how to connect N points. Connected= $f_{ij} \rightarrow V \int d^3q f(q)$, disc.: 1, contributes a factor V . W =number of ways of labeling groups of n_ℓ ℓ clusters. $W = N!/(n_1!(2!)^{n_2}n_3! \dots) = N!/\prod_\ell (\ell!)^{n_\ell} n_\ell!$. Final expression for PF

$$Z = \exp \left[\sum_{\ell=1}^\infty (e^{\beta \mu / \lambda^3})^\ell + \frac{b_\ell}{\ell!} \right]$$

Only linked-cluster-diags contr. to $\ln Z$.

Virial expansion

Deviation from IGL as exp. in N/V

$$\beta P = N/V \left(1 + B_2(T) \frac{N}{V} + B_3(T) \left(\frac{N}{V} \right)^2 + \dots \right)$$

Random Walks

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{R=0}^N P_N(R) &= 1 \\ \langle R \rangle &= \sum_R R \cdot P_N(R) = NP \\ \langle R^2 \rangle &= \sum_R R^2 P_N(R) = NP(1-p) + N^2 P^2 \\ \sigma^2 &= P(1-P)N \\ p_N(R) &\approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi P(1-P)N}} \exp \left[-\frac{(R-PN)^2}{2P(1-P)N} \right] \end{aligned}$$

so the binomial distribution can be approximated by a Gaussian for sufficiently large R and N .
This gives $\langle X_N \rangle = Nl(2P-1)$ and $\langle x_N^2 \rangle = 4l^2NP(1-P) + \langle x_N \rangle^2$ so we get $\langle x_N^2 \rangle - \langle x_N \rangle^2 = 4l^2NP(1-P)$.
Now, for R, N large, with $P = 1/2$ once again, we can approximate with a Gaussian. Introduce probability density $P_N(x) \equiv P(x)/2l$, since $P(x)$ is the Gaussian distribution for discrete x . Then, for $t = N\Delta t$ and $D \equiv \frac{l^2}{2\Delta t}$ we get

$$P_N(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi 2Dt}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2 \cdot 2Dt}}$$

and we get a Gaussian distribution with mean 0 and variance $2Dt$. With M random walkers (particles), all with $x(t=0) = 0$, the density of walkers per unit length at time t , $\rho(x, t)$, fulfills the Diffusion equation

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(x, t) &= Mp(x, t) \\ \frac{\partial \rho(x, t)}{\partial t} &= D \frac{\partial^2 \rho(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \end{aligned}$$

This result holds for any RW with a symmetric step distribution. Consider general RW with $x(t+\Delta t) = x(t)+l$, where l is now a random length (variable) with a probability distribution $\chi(l)$ that is independent of t . The distribution is normalized and symmetric, with $\int dl \chi(l) \cdot l^2 = a^2$, where the limits are $l = \pm\infty$. For fixed l we previously had $\chi(l) = \frac{1}{2}(\delta(l-a) + \delta(l+a))$.
Now, what is the distribution $p(x, t + \Delta t)$, given $p(x, t)$. Found by summing all possible paths from $x-l$ up to x between the two times, weighted with the probability of the l 's.

$$\begin{aligned} p(x, t + \Delta t) &= \int_{-\infty}^\infty dl p(x-l, t) \chi(l) \\ p(x-l, t) &= p(x, t) - l \frac{\partial p(x, t)}{\partial x} + \frac{l^2}{2!} \frac{\partial^2 p(x, t)}{\partial x^2} + \dots \\ \implies p(x, t + \Delta t) &= p(x, t) \int_{-\infty}^\infty dl \chi(l) - \frac{\partial p(x, t)}{\partial x} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 p(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \int_{-\infty}^\infty dl \chi(l) \cdot l^2 \\ &= p(x, t) + \frac{a^2}{2} \frac{\partial^2 p(x, t)}{\partial x^2} \end{aligned}$$

Moving $p(x, t)$ to the LHS and dividing by Δt yields

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{p(x, t + \Delta t) - p(x, t)}{\Delta t} &= \frac{a^2}{2\Delta t} \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} &= D \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial x^2}, \quad \text{for } \Delta t \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

So all info about microscopics are contained in D .

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$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} P_1(n+1) \\ P_2(n+1) \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} W_{11} & W_{12} \\ W_{21} & W_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} P_1(n) \\ P_2(n) \end{pmatrix} \\ \frac{dP_i}{dt} &= \sum_j (\omega_{ij} P_j - \omega_{ji} P_i), \quad \omega_{ii} = 0 \end{aligned}$$