

2) Start with

$$B_\lambda = \frac{2hc^2 \lambda^{-5}}{\exp\left(\frac{hc}{k_B \lambda T}\right) - 1}$$

and change variables to  $n = 1/\lambda$   
and show that

$$B_n = \frac{2hc^2 n^3}{\exp\left(\frac{hc}{k_B T}\right) - 1}$$

Step 1: want  $B_n dn = B_\lambda d\lambda$

$$\text{so } B_n = B_\lambda \frac{d\lambda}{dn}$$

$$\lambda = n^{-1} \quad \frac{d\lambda}{dn} = -n^{-2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_n &= \frac{2hc^2 n^5}{\exp\left(\frac{hc}{k_B T} n\right) - 1} (-n^{-2}) \\ &= -\frac{2hc^2 n^3}{\exp\left(\frac{hc n}{k_B T}\right) - 1} \end{aligned}$$

Why do we have a minus sign?

consider the definite integral  
from  $\lambda_1 \rightarrow \lambda_2$  where  $\lambda_2 > \lambda_1$

$$\int_{\lambda_1}^{\lambda_2} B_{\lambda} d\lambda = \int_{n_1}^{n_2} B_n dn = - \int_{n_1}^{n_2} \frac{c_1 n^3}{\exp(c_2 n) - 1} dn$$

but  $n_1 = 1/\lambda_1$  ,  $n_2 = 1/\lambda_2$

and  $n_1 > n_2$  so were going  
to from larger to smaller  $n$   
flip the limits by multiplying  
by  $-1$  :

$$\int_{\lambda_1}^{\lambda_2} B_{\lambda} d\lambda = \int_{n_2}^{n_1} B_n dn$$

$d\lambda > 0$                        $dn > 0$