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• Before watching this video look up what we mean by the word phase when we use it in thermodynamics and write an explanation?

• Before watching this video explain what we can say about the values of the thermodynamic variables in two phases that are in contact.

• Write an expression that relates dE to T, P, dS and dV.

• Write an expression for the change in internal energy if the number of atoms in the system changes by an amount ΔN . Throughout the transition the entropy of the system and the volume are kept fixed.

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•	Write an expression for the change in internal energy if the magnetisation changes by an	amount
	ΔM . Throughout the transition you can assume that the entropy, the number of atoms	and the
	volume are kept fixed.	

• Explain why, in the part of the video where I illustrate the two phases separated by a diathermal wall, $dS_1 = -dS_2$

• Complete the following sentence: If two phases can exchange some extensive quantity...

• Explain in your own words why the minimum energy compatible with a given value of the entropy is equivalent to the maximum entropy for a given value of the energy