## Statistical Physics

Homework, Sheet 4

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If you have trouble understanding the program I would be happy to explain it. Contact me via stud. IP or e-Mail (felixspringer149@gmail.com).

## 1 Thermodynamics of a chain [H7]

In my solution I am using the approach that is shown in the hints. I am calculating the probability density P in form of a histogram and then try to derive the force F directly from there.

## 1.1 Theoretical background

First I use the relation (1) of force F and pressure p, in which I then insert the free Energy E, which leads to the partition function Z.

$$F = \int p \, dA \tag{1}$$

$$= \int \underbrace{-\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial V}\right)_{\tau}}_{=p} dA$$

$$= \int -\partial_{V} \underbrace{\left(-\tau \ln(Z)\right)}_{=E} \, dA$$

$$= \tau \int \partial_{V} \ln(Z) \, dA$$

$$F = \tau \, \partial_{L} \ln(Z) \tag{2}$$

Now with equation (2) I only need to be able to calculate the partition function Z. In this case there is a relation (3) to the probability density P.

$$P(N_{\nu}, \epsilon_{\nu}) = \frac{1}{Z} \underbrace{\exp\left(\frac{\mu N_{\nu} - \epsilon_{\nu}}{\tau}\right)}_{=:\alpha}$$
(3)

$$\implies Z = \frac{\alpha}{P} \tag{4}$$

Now I can use equation (4) to further simplify equation (2).

$$F = \tau \partial_L \ln \left( \frac{\alpha}{P} \right)$$

$$= \tau \underbrace{\left( \partial_L \ln(\alpha) - \partial_L \ln(P) \right)}_{=0}$$

$$F = \tau \partial_L \ln(P)$$
(5)

With equation (5) I can directly compute the force F from the probability density P(L) which I am simulating with a distribution of "randomwalks".

## 2 Result

The end result of the computation can be found in Figure 1.

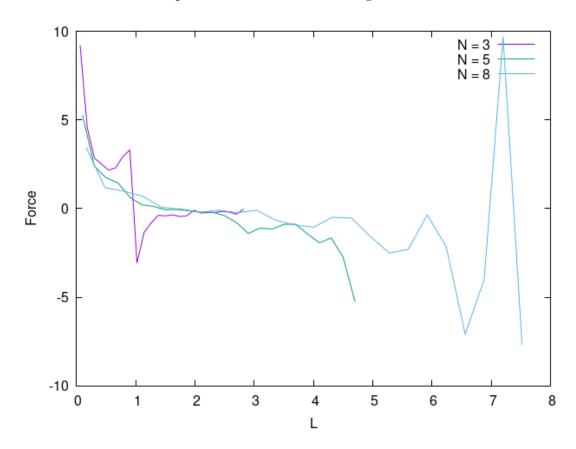


Figure 1: Plot of the calculated force F in relation to the distance L

To look into the details of the computation check out calc-force.ss. It is executed with "Chez-Scheme 9.5.1". The plot is created with "gnuplot" in plot-L-force.gp.

To completely executed everything there is main.sh.