

FYS2160 - Oblig 2

a. Partition function, Z , for the system

$$i = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

$$\text{Energies: } \epsilon_i : \epsilon_1 = \epsilon, \epsilon_2 = \epsilon_3 = \epsilon_4 = 2\epsilon$$

$$Z = \sum_i e^{-\frac{\epsilon_i}{kT}} = e^{-\frac{\epsilon_1}{kT}} + e^{-\frac{\epsilon_2}{kT}} + e^{-\frac{\epsilon_3}{kT}} + e^{-\frac{\epsilon_4}{kT}}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} + e^{-\frac{2\epsilon}{kT}} + e^{-\frac{2\epsilon}{kT}} + e^{-\frac{2\epsilon}{kT}}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} + 3e^{-\frac{2\epsilon}{kT}}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} + 3e^{-\frac{2\epsilon}{kT}}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} (1 + 3e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}})$$

$$\boxed{-2 \frac{\epsilon}{kT} = -\frac{\epsilon}{kT} - \frac{\epsilon}{kT}}$$

b.

$$\bar{E} = \sum_i \epsilon_i \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\frac{\epsilon_i}{kT}} = \frac{1}{Z} \left(\epsilon_1 e^{-\frac{\epsilon_1}{kT}} + \epsilon_2 e^{-\frac{\epsilon_2}{kT}} + \epsilon_3 e^{-\frac{\epsilon_3}{kT}} + \epsilon_4 e^{-\frac{\epsilon_4}{kT}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{Z} \left(\epsilon e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} + 6\epsilon e^{-\frac{2\epsilon}{kT}} \right) = \frac{1}{Z} \left(\epsilon e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} + 6\epsilon e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} (1 + 6e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}})}{e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} (1 + 3e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}})} = \epsilon \frac{1 + 6e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}}{1 + 3e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}}$$

c. Heat capacity as a function of temperature.

$$C_V = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \epsilon \left(\frac{1 + 6 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}}{1 + 3 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}} \right)$$

$$u = 1 + 6 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} \quad du = \frac{6\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}$$

$$v = 1 + 3 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} \quad dv = \frac{3\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{du \cdot v - u \cdot dv}{v^2}}$$

$$\rightarrow \epsilon \left(\frac{\left(\frac{6\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} \right) (1 + 3 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}) - (1 + 6 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}) \left(\frac{3\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} \right)}{(1 + 3 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}})^2} \right)$$

$$\epsilon \left(\frac{\frac{6\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} + \frac{6\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} 3 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} - \left(\frac{3\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} + \frac{3\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} 6 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} \right)}{(1 + 3 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}})^2} \right)$$

$$\epsilon \left(\frac{\frac{6\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} + \cancel{\frac{18\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}} - \frac{3\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}} - \cancel{\frac{18\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}}}{(1 + 3 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}})^2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\frac{3\epsilon}{kT^2} e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}}{(1 + 3 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}})^2} = \frac{3\epsilon e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}}}{kT^2 (1 + 3 e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT}})^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d. \quad Z_R &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (2j+1) e^{-\beta E(j)}, \quad \beta = \frac{1}{kT} \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \underbrace{(2j+1)}_{g(j)} e^{-\beta j(j+1)\epsilon}
 \end{aligned}$$

e. See script below. Figure 1 shows the plot.

f. When the number of terms that contributes significantly to the partition function, we can write it as an integral

$$Z_R \approx \int_0^{\infty} (2j+1) e^{-\beta j(j+1)\epsilon} dj$$

In the high-temperature limit, where $Z_R \gg 1$, we can evaluate the integral to show $Z_R(T) = T/\theta_r$

We make the substitution

$$x = j(j+1) = j^2 + j \rightarrow dx = 2j + 1$$

$$\rightarrow Z_R = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\beta x \epsilon} dx, \quad \beta = \frac{1}{kT}, \quad \epsilon = \theta_r k$$

$$\rightarrow Z_R = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x \theta_r}{T}} dx = -\frac{T}{\theta_r} e^{-\frac{x \theta_r}{T}} \Big|_0^{\infty} = \frac{T}{\theta_r}$$

g. For low temperatures, only a few terms is enough. I'll include three:

$$Z_R = \sum_j (2j+1) e^{-j(j+1) \frac{\theta_r}{T}}$$

$$\rightarrow (2(0)+1) e^{-0} + (2(1)+1) e^{-1(1+1) \frac{\theta_r}{T}} + (2(2)+1) e^{-2(2+1) \frac{\theta_r}{T}}$$

$$= 1 + 3e^{-2 \frac{\theta_r}{T}} + 5e^{-6 \frac{\theta_r}{T}}$$

For $\theta_r \ll T$, we can expand the exponentials and keep only the first two terms:

$$Z_R \approx 1 + 3e^{-2 \frac{\theta_r}{T}} + 5e^{-6 \frac{\theta_r}{T}} \approx 1 + 3e^{-2 \frac{\theta_r}{T}} + 5e^{-6 \frac{\theta_r}{T}}$$

$$\ln Z_R \approx \ln \left(1 + 3e^{-2 \frac{\theta_r}{T}} + 5e^{-6 \frac{\theta_r}{T}} \right)$$

$$(where $kT \gg \epsilon$)$$

h. Energy $E(T)$ of the system for high and low T

High T : ($T \gg \theta_r$)

$$U = - \frac{\partial \ln(Z)}{\partial \beta} = kT^2 \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial T} = kT$$

Which corresponds to $\frac{1}{2}kT$ per degree of freedom (diatomic molecules has two degrees of freedom)

Low T : ($T \ll \theta_r$)

$$\ln(Z) = \ln\left(1 + 3e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}}\right)$$

Taylor
 $\approx 3e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}}$

$$\frac{\partial \ln(Z)}{\partial T} = \frac{\partial}{\partial T} 3e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}} = 3e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}} \cdot \left(\frac{2\theta_r}{T^2}\right)$$

$$= 3\left(\frac{2\theta_r}{T^2}\right)e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}} = \frac{6\theta_r}{T^2}e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}}$$

$$U = kT^2 \frac{\partial \ln(Z)}{\partial T} = kT^2 \frac{6\theta_r}{T^2} e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}}$$

$$= k6\theta_r e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}}$$

- i. Heat capacity $C_v(T)$ for high and low T .

Heat capacity is found by taking the derivative of the energy

High ($\frac{T}{\theta_r} \gg 1$)

$$E(T) = kT \rightarrow \frac{dE}{dT} = k$$

Low ($\frac{T}{\theta_r} \ll 1$)

$$E(T) = k\theta_r e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dE}{dT} = k\theta_r e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}} \left(\frac{2\theta_r}{T^2} \right)$$

$$= 12k \left(\frac{\theta_r}{T} \right)^2 e^{-\frac{2\theta_r}{T}}$$

j. Code is listed below.

k. Figure 2 shows the plot.

l. From the plot, we can see that \mathcal{Z} is linear for large values, but lies slightly below the graph where $\mathcal{Z} = T/\theta_n$. This happens because the integral produces an error, which underestimates the partition function sum.

m. We can find the energy by

$$E = kT^2 \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{Z}}{\partial T} \quad \text{If we make the substitution } u = T/\theta_n$$

We can write

$$E = k(u\theta_n)^2 \frac{\partial \mathcal{Z}}{\partial T} = k u^2 \theta_n^2 \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{Z}}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial T}$$
$$= k u^2 \theta_n^2 \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{Z}}{\partial u}$$

If we know $\mathcal{Z}(N, V, u)$ numerically, we can find the energy E .

We can find the heat capacity by

$$C_V = \frac{\partial E}{\partial T} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial T} = \frac{1}{\theta_r} \frac{\partial E}{\partial u}$$

$$= k \frac{\partial u^3}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial \ln z}{\partial u}$$

n. See plot below.