

# SecondVirialCoeff

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## 1 Homework 6 problem 1b –

### 1.1 Second virial coefficient

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In [1]: from numpy import *
        from matplotlib.pyplot import *
        from scipy.integrate import quad #numerical quadrature
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Plotting as a function of  $x = \frac{K_B T}{U_0}$ , and normalising with respect to the hard-sphere result, we get the following simplified expression for  $B_2$ :

$$B_2(x) = d \left[ \int_0^R dr r^{d-1} (1 - 0) + \int_R^\infty dr r^{d-1} (1 - e^{1/x}) \right] \quad (1)$$

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In [2]: alphas = array([5,6,7])
        dims = array([1, 2, 3])

#radially symmetric pair potential
def phi(r):
    if r > 1:
        return -(1/r)**alpha
    else:
        return inf

#second virial coefficient
def B2(x, d):
    beta = 1/x
    r1 = lambda r: r**(d-1)
    r2 = lambda r: r**(d-1)*(1-exp(-beta*phi(r)))
    return d * ( quad(r1, 0, 1)[0] + quad(r2, 1, inf)[0] )

def plotalpha(alpha):
    for d in dims:
        xvals = linspace(0,25,100)
        yvals = array([B2(x,d) for x in xvals])
        title(r'\alpha = %s' % alpha)
        plot(xvals, yvals, label='Dimensionality: %s' %d, lw=3)
        xlabel(r'$K_{\text{b}}T/U_{\text{0}}$')
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        ylabel(r'$B_{2}/B_{2\mathrm{hs}}$')
        grid()
        ylim(-3, 1)
        legend()
    show()

    for alpha in alphas:
        plotalpha(alpha)

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del sys.path[0]

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/home/svein/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/scipy/integrate/quadpack.py:364: Integration

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If increasing the limit yields no improvement it is advised to analyze the integrand in order to determine the difficulties. If the position of a local difficulty can be determined (singularity, discontinuity) one will probably gain from splitting up the interval and calling the integrator on the subranges. Perhaps a special-purpose integrator should be used.

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warnings.warn(msg, IntegrationWarning)
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