

Phys 404 Second Midterm Exam Solution

1. Canonical partition function for $E = cp$ classical ^{rel.} particles

a) $Z(V, T, N) = \frac{1}{N!} \frac{V^N}{h^{3N}} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-E/kT} dp_x dp_y dp_z \right]^N$

$\int e^{-p} p^2 dp = n!$ $\left(\begin{matrix} n=2 \\ \text{here} \end{matrix} \right)$ $4\pi \int_0^{\infty} e^{-cp/kT} p^2 dp$
 $8\pi \left(\frac{kT}{c} \right)^3$

$Z(V, T, N) = \frac{1}{N!} \left[V \left(\frac{kT}{hc} \right)^3 \right]^N$ (10 pts)

$F = -kT \ln Z = -kT \left\{ N \ln \left[V \left(\frac{kT}{hc} \right)^3 \right] - (N \ln N - N) \right\}$ $\swarrow \ln N! = N \ln N - N$

Helmholtz energy $= -NkT \left\{ \ln \left[\frac{V}{N} \left(\frac{kT}{hc} \right)^3 \right] + 1 \right\}$

b) Pressure $p = - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V} \right)_{T, N} = \frac{NkT}{V}$ or $PV = NkT$ (5 pts)

c) Energy $U = E = - \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial \beta} = -T^2 \frac{\partial (F/T)}{\partial T} = 3NkT = 3PV$

$u = 3p$ (5 pts)

d) Heat capacity $C_V = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_{V, N} = 3Nk = 3R$ (5 pts)

$C_p = C_V + R = 4R$

$\gamma = C_p/C_V = \frac{4}{3}$

2.

a) Debye Temperature: the temperature corresponds to the mode of vibration with highest frequency

$$\text{for each } n, L = n \frac{\lambda}{2} = \frac{n v_s}{2\nu} \Rightarrow n = \frac{2L}{v_s} \nu \quad (n^2 = n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2)$$

\therefore # of states between n and $n+dn$ is $\overset{3 \text{ polarizations}}{\downarrow} 3 \cdot \frac{1}{8} \cdot 4\pi n^2 dn$

$$\therefore Q(\nu) d\nu = \frac{3}{8} \cdot 4\pi \left(\frac{2L}{v_s} \nu\right)^2 \frac{2L}{v_s} d\nu = \frac{12\pi V}{v_s^3} \nu^3 d\nu \quad (V \equiv L^3)$$

$$\text{USE } \int_0^{\nu_D} Q(\nu) d\nu = 3N \Rightarrow \frac{12\pi V}{v_s^3} \frac{\nu_D^3}{3} = 3N$$

$$\therefore \nu_D = \left(\frac{3N}{4\pi V}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} v_s = \left(\frac{3n}{4\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} v_s \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{atom \# density, not the quantum \# } n \text{ above} \\ \text{''} \\ \frac{N}{V} \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow T_D = \frac{h \nu_D}{k_B} = \left[\frac{h v_s}{k_B} \left(\frac{3n}{4\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right]$$

b)

$$\frac{\text{total \# of excited modes}}{\text{total \# of modes}} = \left(\frac{k_r}{k_D}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{T}{T_D}\right)^3 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{radii in } k\text{-space} \\ \text{''} \\ \frac{T}{T_D} \end{array}$$

at low temperature,

$$\text{Energy } E \sim (\text{\# of excited modes}) \cdot k_B T = 3N \left(\frac{T}{T_D}\right)^3 k_B T \sim T^4$$

$$\therefore C_V = \frac{\partial E}{\partial T} \sim T^3$$

3. a,b) See KK problem 7.2, $\epsilon_F = \hbar\pi c \left(\frac{3N}{\pi}\right)^{1/3} = \hbar\pi c \left(\frac{3N}{\pi v}\right)^{1/3}$

$U_0 = \frac{3}{4} N \epsilon_F$

c) see KK problem 7.10, $N = \left(\frac{5}{4} \left(\frac{9\pi}{4}\right)^{1/3} \frac{\hbar c}{G m_H^2}\right)^{3/2}$

4.

for bosons, $0 \leq z \leq 1$, $g_{3/2}(z) \leq g_{3/2}(1) = \zeta(3/2) \sim 2.612$

$$\frac{N}{V} = \frac{1}{v} = \underbrace{\frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{\lambda_{\text{tdB}}^3}}_{\text{excited states}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{v} \left(\frac{z}{1-z}\right)}_{\text{ground states}}$$

of particles in excited states \leftarrow

$$\frac{N_e}{V} = \frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{\lambda_{\text{tdB}}^3} \leq \frac{g_{3/2}(1)}{\lambda_{\text{tdB}}^3}$$

The condition for the onset of Bose-Einstein Condensation is

$$\frac{N}{V} \geq \left(\frac{N_e}{V}\right)_{\text{max}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{v_c} = \frac{g_{3/2}(1)}{\lambda_{\text{tdB}}^3} \Rightarrow \boxed{v_c = \frac{\lambda_{\text{tdB}}^3}{g_{3/2}(1)}} \dots (b)$$

Recall $\lambda_{\text{tdB}} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2\pi m k T}}$

$$\Rightarrow v_c = \frac{1}{g_{3/2}(1)} \cdot \frac{h^3}{(2\pi m k T_c)^{3/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{T_c = \frac{h^2 / 2\pi m k}{[v g_{3/2}(1)]^{2/3}}} \dots (a)$$