

1 Oral

1.1 classical

Virial expansion

For a gas we define $n = \frac{N}{V}$

The virial expansion is defined as follows.

$$P = nk_b T(1 + b_2 n + \dots)$$

Also define a potential:

$$\phi = \begin{cases} +\infty & r < \sigma \\ \epsilon & \sigma < r < 2\sigma \\ 0 & r > 2\sigma \end{cases}$$

Discuss the temperature dependence of b_2 and use explicit calculations with $\phi(r)$.

Discuss the case $\epsilon > 0$, $\epsilon < 0$, $\epsilon = 0$

Mondelinge bijvraag: Wat is de dimensie van b_2

1.2 Quantum

De blackbody die op sommige andere examens staat

2 Written

2.1 Classical

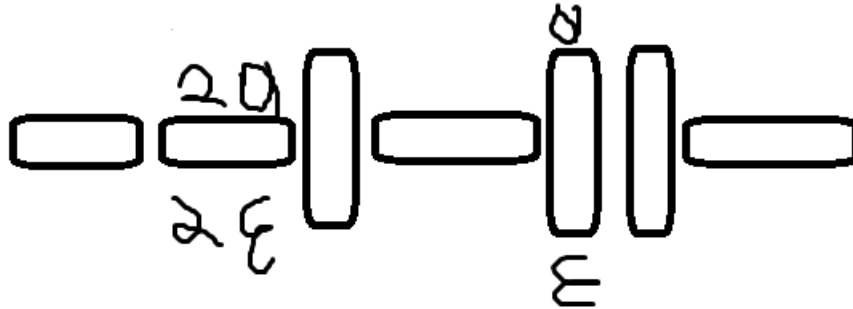
Speed of particles of LJ fluid (5pts)

$$\phi_{LJ}(r) = \epsilon \left[\left(\frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^{12} - \left(\frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^6 \right]$$

Find v^* , the most likely value of the speed of the particles speed.

Polymer model(7pts)

Consider a rigid polymer consisting of N monomers. Each monomer can be found in 2 states with energies ϵ and 2ϵ and length a and $2a$ as shown in the figure. Calculate average length $\langle L \rangle$ and variance $\sigma_L^2 = \langle L^2 \rangle - \langle L \rangle^2$



Classical paramagnetism(8pts)

Assume each particle carries magnetic momentum $\vec{\mu}$, which is fixed of magnitude, but can assume a random orientation in 3D. The hamiltonian for N particles is

$$\mathcal{H} = - \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{\mu}_i \cdot \vec{H}$$

Where \vec{H} is the magnetic field and $\vec{\mu}_i$ the magnetic moment of particle i

a) Calculate configurational partition function by integrating over all possible orientations of $d\vec{\mu}$, while keeping their orientations fixed $\|\vec{\mu}\| = \mu$ (hint: use a coordinate system where H is in the z direction)

b) calculate total average magnetic moment

$$\vec{M} = \sum_{i=1}^N \langle \vec{\mu} \rangle$$

and show that it's orientated parallel to \vec{H}

c) Obtain from the calculations in b)

$$\mathcal{X} = \frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial M}{\partial H}$$

with $M = \|\vec{M}\|$ and $H = \|\vec{H}\|$

d) Show that the model describes a paramagnet e.g. that $\mathcal{X} > 0$ and find the behavior of \mathcal{X} at high temperatures

2.2 Quantum

Dieteric equation of state(6pts)

The equation is given by

$$P(v-Nb) = Nk_B T e^{\frac{-aN}{v k_B T}}$$

Where P , V , T are pressure, volume and temperature. a and b are some positive real numbers. Find P_c , T_c and V_c for this equation of state.

N particles(7pts)

Consider N distinguishable and non-interacting particles. The single particle energy-spectrum is $\epsilon_n = n\epsilon$ where $\epsilon > 0$. The degeneracy of the n -th state is $g_n = n + 1$. Compute the partition function for the N -particle system and $\langle E \rangle$. Evaluate the average energy fluctuations defined by $\langle (\Delta E)^2 \rangle = \langle E^2 \rangle - \langle E \rangle^2$

Quantum gasses(7pts)

Consider a 3D quantum gas of bosons or fermions. Assume that the single particle energy is given by $\epsilon = p^\alpha$ where p is the absolute value of the momentum of the particle and $\alpha > 0$ and real. Using the grand canonical partition function, show the following relation:

$$PV = \frac{\alpha}{3} E$$