

### Week 1

1.

$$p = \left( \frac{nT^3}{27AV} \right)^{1/2}$$

2. Hint: use the formula  $c_V = T(\partial S/\partial T)_V$  and the Maxwell relation

$$\left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_T = \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial T} \right)_V$$

3.  $c_p - c_V = R$

4.  $U = 2ApV^2/n$

### Week 2

1. enthalpy:  $H^*(S, H) = U - \mu_0 MH$ , Helmholtz free energy:  $F(M, T) = U - TS$ , Gibbs free energy:  $G(H, T) = U - TS - \mu_0 HM$ .

$$c_M = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_M \quad c_H = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_H - \mu_0 H \left( \frac{\partial M}{\partial T} \right)_H$$

2. enthalpy:  $H^*(S, E) = U - EP$ , Helmholtz free energy:  $F(P, T) = U - TS$ , Gibbs free energy:  $G(E, T) = U - TS - EP$ .

$$c_P = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_P \quad c_E = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_E - E \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_E$$

3. Hint: Calculate the total differential  $dm$  and substitute it to Eq. (4). Rearrange to  $dQ = C_H dT - \frac{CH}{T} dH$ .

4. Hint: In case of a simple fluid of a single component  $G(T, P, N) = \mu N$ . Use relations:

$$V = \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial p} \right)_{T, N}, \quad -S = \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial T} \right)_{p, N}$$

to show that  $pV = \text{const}$  if  $T = \text{const}$  and to calculate the entropy. Use  $F = G - PV$  to calculate Helmholtz free energy.

### Week 3

1.

$$\Delta S = nc_V \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} + nR \ln \left( \frac{V_2 - nb}{V_1 - nb} \right)$$

2. Solution:

$$\frac{\pi n}{2n+1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Hint: Notice that

$$(2n)! = (1 \cdot 3 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1))2^n n!$$

- Hint: Denote  $\xi_n = V_n/r^n$ . Check that  $\xi_1 < \xi_2 < \xi_3 < \xi_4 < \xi_5$ . Show by induction that  $\xi_{n+1} < \xi_n$  for  $n > 5$ .
- $I = \Gamma(4)/81$ .

**Week 4**

- $p(S = 6) = 5/36$ ,  $\langle S \rangle = 7$ ,  $\sigma^2 = \langle S^2 \rangle - \langle S \rangle^2 = 5.833$
- If  $L$  denotes number of balls in the left half of the container

$$\Omega_L = \binom{N}{L}.$$

Total number of microstates  $\Omega = 2^N$ . If the balls change the position every second then the average time after which we can find all balls in the left half is  $t = 2^N$ s.

**Week 5**

- $\Omega(N, M) = \binom{N}{N_+}$ ,  $\Omega(N) = \sum_M \Omega(N, M) = 2^N$ . Use the Stirling approximation to express  $\ln \Omega(N, M) = N \ln 2 - N_+ \ln(1 + M/N) - N_- \ln(1 - M/N)$ . Treat  $M/N$  as a small parameter and develop the logarithms in the Taylor series.
- $\Omega = N!/(n_1!n_2!\dots n_k!)$ . To find the most probable distribution maximize the function  $\ln \Omega(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{k-1}, n_k)$  with the constraint  $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k = N$ .
- Solution steps are already provided

**Week 6**

- A hint is already given
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- $c_V = a\alpha k_B(\alpha + 1)T^\alpha V$
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$$\sigma_M/M = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{N} \sinh(\beta\mu B)}.$$

**Week 7**

- Statistical sum of the mixture is a product of statistical sums of the components
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$$U = \frac{3\epsilon \exp(-\beta\epsilon) + 2\epsilon \exp(-2\beta\epsilon)}{1 + 3 \exp(-\beta\epsilon) + \exp(-2\beta\epsilon)}$$

3.

$$Z = \left( \frac{mk_B T}{2\pi\hbar^2} \right)^{N/2} (L - N\sigma) / N!$$

4. Hint: Calculate first the normalisation factor

$$\int E^a \exp(-\beta E) dE = \Gamma(a+1) / \beta^{a+1}$$

### **Week 8**

1. Should be moved to Week 9

2.

$$p(N_I) = \frac{Z_I Z_{II}}{\sum_{N_I=0}^N Z_I Z_{II}}$$

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