# **TP - A Solution**

A)

$$dV = \frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\Big|_{P} dT + \frac{\partial V}{\partial P}\Big|_{T} dP \text{ is a perfect differential. Thus } \frac{\partial^{2} V}{\partial P \partial T} = \frac{\partial^{2} V}{\partial T \partial P}$$
  
gives  
$$\frac{\partial \beta}{\partial P}\Big|_{T} = -\frac{\partial \kappa_{T}}{\partial T}\Big|_{P}$$
  
B) 
$$\frac{\partial \kappa_{T}}{\partial T}\Big|_{P} = \frac{(10 \cdot 10^{-12} - 7 \cdot 10^{-12})m^{2} / N}{1000^{0} K} = 3 \cdot 10^{-15} = -\frac{\partial \beta}{\partial P}\Big|_{T}$$
$$\Delta \beta = \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial P}\Big|_{T} \Delta P = -3 \cdot 10^{-15} \cdot 10^{3} \frac{10^{5} N / m^{2}}{1atm} = -3 \cdot 10^{-7} / {}^{0} K$$

#### Solution to Problem TP-B

(a) Equation of State:

$$PV = NkT.$$
 (1)

First Law:

$$dQ = dE + PdV. (2)$$

E depends only on T.

$$NC_V = \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial T}\right)_V = \frac{dE}{dT} \tag{3}$$

$$NC_P = \left(\frac{\partial Q}{\partial T}\right)_P = \frac{dE}{dT} + \frac{d}{dT}(PdV) = \frac{dE}{dT} + Nk.$$
(4)

Therefore

$$C_P = C_V + k. (5)$$

(b) From (1),

$$PdV + VdP = NkdT.$$
(6)

From (3) and (2) with dQ = 0,

$$dT = \frac{dE}{NC_V} = -\frac{PdV}{NC_V}.$$
(7)

Combining (6) and (7)

$$\gamma P dV + V dP = 0, \tag{8}$$

with

$$\gamma = 1 + \frac{k}{C_V} = \frac{C_P}{C_V},\tag{9}$$

where the last equality made use of (5). If  $C_V$  is taken independent of T (exact for a monatomic ideal gas), then (8) can be integrated to give

$$PV^{\gamma} = \text{constant.}$$
 (10)

(c) Helium gas is monatomic, so that the only contribution to E is translational motion. Therefore  $E = \frac{3}{2}kT$ ,  $C_V = \frac{3}{2}k$ , and  $\gamma = \frac{5}{3}$ . Equation (10) then implies that the P increases by a factor of  $2^5 = 32$ .

## **TP – C1** Solution

(a) For quantum particles confined in a 2D "box:  $k_x = \frac{\pi n_x}{L_x}$   $k_y = \frac{\pi n_y}{L_y}$   $k = \sqrt{k_x^2 + k_y^2}$ 

$$N(k) = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\pi k^2}{\frac{\pi}{L_x} \times \frac{\pi}{L_y}} = \frac{k^2(area)}{4\pi} \quad G(k) = \frac{k^2}{4\pi} \quad G(\varepsilon) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{2m\varepsilon}{\hbar^2} \qquad g^{2D}(\varepsilon) = \frac{(2s+1)m}{2\pi\hbar^2} = \frac{m}{\pi\hbar^2}$$

So  $g^{2D}(\mathcal{E})$  does not depend on energy.

- (b) The Fermi energy is given by:  $N = \int_{0}^{E_{F}} g(\varepsilon)(area)d\varepsilon = A \frac{m}{\pi \hbar^{2}} E_{F}$   $E_{F} = \frac{\pi \hbar^{2}}{m} \left(\frac{N}{A}\right)$
- (c) The average energy per electron:

$$U_{tot} = N\langle \varepsilon \rangle = \int_{0}^{E_{F}} \varepsilon \times g(\varepsilon)(area) d\varepsilon = \frac{m(area)}{\pi \hbar^{2}} \int_{0}^{E_{F}} \varepsilon d\varepsilon = \frac{m(area)}{\pi \hbar^{2}} \frac{1}{2} E_{F}^{2}$$

$$N/\varepsilon \rangle = \int_{0}^{E_{F}} \varepsilon \times g(\varepsilon)(area) d\varepsilon = \frac{mA}{\pi} \int_{0}^{E_{F}} \varepsilon d\varepsilon = \frac{mA}{\pi} \frac{1}{2} E_{F}^{2}$$

$$U_{tot} = N\langle \varepsilon \rangle = \int_{0}^{\pi} \varepsilon \times g(\varepsilon)(area) d\varepsilon = \frac{mA}{\pi\hbar^2} \int_{0}^{\pi} \varepsilon d\varepsilon = \frac{mA}{\pi\hbar^2} \frac{1}{2} E_F^2 \qquad \langle \varepsilon \rangle = \frac{mA}{\pi\hbar^2 N} \frac{1}{2} E_F^2 = \frac{E_F}{2}$$

(d) 
$$E_F = \frac{\pi \hbar^2}{m} \left(\frac{N}{A}\right) = \frac{\pi \times \left(1.05 \cdot 10^{-34} Js\right)^2}{0.2 \times 9.1 \cdot 10^{-31} kg} 1 \cdot 10^{16} m^{-2} = 1.9 \cdot 10^{-21} J = k_B \times 140 K$$

So, at 300K the system is not degenerate.

### TP-C2 Solutions

To find the entropy S(V,T) use

$$TdS = dU + pdV$$
  
$$dS = \frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\Big|_{V} dT + \frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\Big|_{T} dV \qquad dU = \frac{\partial U}{\partial T}\Big|_{V} dT + \frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\Big|_{T} dV$$

Then

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial T}\Big|_{V} = \frac{1}{T} \frac{\partial U}{\partial T}\Big|_{V} = \frac{f}{2} \frac{Nk_{B}}{T} \text{ or } S \sim \frac{f}{2} Nk_{B} \ln T$$
$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\Big|_{T} = \frac{1}{T} \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\Big|_{T} + P\right) = \frac{Nk_{B}}{V} \text{ or } S \sim Nk_{B} \ln V$$

Thus  $S \sim Nk_B \ln\{T^{f/2}V\}$ 

B) For an adiabatic process  $dS = 0 \Rightarrow T^{f/2}V = \text{constant}$ 

C) 
$$dQ = dU + pdV = \frac{\partial U}{\partial T}\Big|_{V} dT + (\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\Big|_{T} + p)dV$$
  
 $\frac{dQ}{dT}\Big|_{V} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial T}\Big|_{V} = \frac{f}{2}Nk_{B} \text{ and } C_{V} = \frac{f}{2}k_{B}$   
 $\frac{dQ}{dT}\Big|_{P} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial T}\Big|_{V} + (\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\Big|_{T} + p)\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\Big|_{P} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial T}\Big|_{V} + (\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\Big|_{T} + p) - 1\left(\frac{\frac{\partial p}{\partial T}}{\frac{\partial p}{\partial V}}\right)_{T}$ 

 $C_{P} = C_{V} + \frac{Nk_{B}^{2}TV}{Nk_{B}TV - 2b_{2}N^{2}} = \frac{f}{2}k_{B} + \frac{k_{B}}{1 - 2b_{2}\frac{N/V}{k_{B}T}}$ 

Substituting

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial T}\Big|_{V} = \frac{Nk_{B}}{V} \& \frac{\partial p}{\partial V}\Big|_{T} = -\frac{Nk_{B}T}{V^{2}} + 2b_{2}\frac{N^{2}}{V^{3}}$$

gives

### TP – D1 Solution

The magnetic moment  $\mu$  is given by

$$\mu = \frac{\sum_{lm} m \tilde{\mu} e^{-\beta \epsilon_{lm}}}{\sum_{lm} e^{-\beta \epsilon_{lm}}} \equiv \frac{1}{\beta Z} \frac{\partial Z}{\partial B},\tag{1}$$

where

$$Z = \sum_{lm} e^{-\beta\epsilon_{lm}} \equiv \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} e^{-\beta\tilde{\epsilon}l(l+1)} \sum_{m=-l}^{l} e^{\beta\tilde{\mu}Bm},$$
(2)

and  $\beta = (kT)^{-1}$ . In both parts of the problem, B is small, so we may expand to the lowest nontrivial order:

$$Z \approx \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} e^{-\beta \tilde{\epsilon} l(l+1)} \sum_{m=-l}^{l} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} (\beta \tilde{\mu} B)^2 m^2 \right],$$
(3)

where the linear term in B vanishes because of the symmetry of the sum over m.

case 1 Here  $\beta \tilde{\epsilon} \gg 1$  so that the sum over l is restricted to small l. The lowest nontrivial order is l = 1, so that we can truncate the series there. We therefore obtain

$$Z \approx 1 + 3e^{-2\beta\tilde{\epsilon}} + (\beta\tilde{\mu}B)^2 e^{-2\beta\tilde{\epsilon}}.$$
(4)

Finally, using the last equality of Eq. (1) and keeping only the leading order in B and  $e^{-2\beta\tilde{\epsilon}}$ , one finds

$$\mu \approx \frac{2\tilde{\mu}^2 B}{kT} \exp\left(-\frac{2\tilde{\epsilon}}{kT}\right).$$
(5)

case 2 Here  $\beta \tilde{\epsilon}$  is small, so there will be a large number of terms in the sum, which will be dominated by terms where  $l \gg 1$ . Therefore in this limit we may replace the sums by integrals and l(l+1) by  $l^2$ , giving

$$Z \approx \int_0^\infty dl \, e^{-\beta \tilde{\epsilon} \, l^2} \int_{-l}^l dm \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} (\beta \tilde{\mu} B)^2 m^2 \right]$$
$$= \int_0^\infty dl \, e^{-\beta \tilde{\epsilon} \, l^2} \left[ 2l + \frac{1}{3} (\beta \tilde{\mu} B)^2 l^3 \right]. \tag{6}$$

The integrals are elementary, and in the same manner as for case 1, one obtains

$$Z \approx \frac{1}{\beta \tilde{\epsilon}} + \frac{1}{6} \left( \frac{\tilde{\mu}B}{\tilde{\epsilon}} \right)^2, \tag{7}$$

and

$$\mu \approx \frac{\tilde{\mu}^2 B}{3\tilde{\epsilon}}.$$
(8)

To find a weaker criterion for (8), look back at Eq. (2). The largest values of l that are important are given by  $l(l+1)\beta\tilde{\epsilon} \sim 1$  or  $l \sim (\beta\tilde{\epsilon})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ . Therefore that largest m in the second summation will also be of this order, and the largest exponent in this term will be  $\sim \beta\tilde{\mu}B(\beta\tilde{\epsilon})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  giving the condition that this quantity should be small, or  $\tilde{\mu}B \ll \sqrt{\tilde{\epsilon}kT}$ . Since  $kT \gg \tilde{\epsilon}$ , this is weaker than the criterion given for case 2 above.

#### **TP – D2** Solution

(a) The number of molecules within dh is:  $dN(h \leftrightarrow h + dh) = n_0 \exp\left(-\frac{mgh}{k_BT}\right)(area)dh$ 

Where *m* is the mass of the molecule,  $M_{\rm pl}$  and  $R_{\rm pl}$  are the mass of the planet and its radius, respectively,  $n_{\rm o}$  is the density of molecules at the planet's surface.

$$H = 4\pi R_{pl}^{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} mn_{0} \exp\left(-\frac{mgh}{k_{B}T}\right) dh = 4\pi R_{pl}^{2} mn_{0} \frac{k_{B}T}{mg} \int_{0}^{\infty} \exp(-x) dx = \frac{4\pi R_{pl}^{2} k_{B} T n_{0}}{g}$$

$$M_{atm} = \frac{4\pi R_{pl}^{2} k_{B} T n_{0}}{g} = \frac{4\pi GM_{pl} P_{0}}{g^{2}}$$

$$\frac{M_{atm}}{M_{pl}} = \frac{4\pi GP_{0}}{g^{2}} = \frac{4\pi \times 6.67 \cdot 10^{-11} Nm^{2} / kg^{2} \times 10^{5} Pa}{(10m/s^{2})^{2}} = 8.4 \times 10^{-7}$$

This is the same results you would get by considering the equilibrium condition: Where F is the total force exerted on the atmosphere by the plant's surface:  $F = M_{atm}g$ 

$$F = P_0 4\pi R_{pl}^2 = M_{atm}g \qquad P_0 4\pi \frac{GM_{pl}}{g} = M_{atm}g \qquad \frac{M_{atm}}{M_{pl}} = P_0 4\pi \frac{G}{g^2}$$

(b) The average potential energy of the molecules in the atmosphere is found by:

$$\langle U \rangle = \frac{\int_{0}^{\infty} mgh \times n_0 \exp\left(-\frac{mgh}{k_B T}\right) (area) dh}{\int_{0}^{\infty} n_0 \exp\left(-\frac{mgh}{k_B T}\right) (area) dh} = \left[\frac{mgh}{k_B T} = y\right] = \frac{\int_{0}^{\infty} (k_B T) y \times \exp(-y) \times \frac{k_B T}{mg} dy}{\int_{0}^{\infty} \exp(-y) \times \frac{k_B T}{mg} dy} = k_B T$$

(c) Heat capacity: 
$$E(T) = K(T) + U(T) = \frac{5}{2}k_BT + k_BT$$
  $C = \frac{dE}{dT} = \frac{7}{2}k_B = C_P$