4. Präsenzübung, Statistische Physik

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Aufgabe P10 Differential forms

Consider the manifold $\Omega = \{(T, V) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid T, V > 0\}$ and the function $p : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$p(T,V) = \alpha T/V$$

with $\alpha > 0$ a constant.

We consider the two coordinate systems (T, V) and (T, p) for Ω . Let $U : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function, and consider it in both coordinate systems, i.e., U(T, V) and $\tilde{U}(T, p) := U(T, V(T, p))$ and drop the tilde.

- a. Express the differential forms dT and dV in the coordinates (T, p) (i.e., in the form $F_1dT + F_2dp$ where the F_i are functions of T and p.)
- b. Write the partial derivatives $\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T}\right)_V$ and $\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_T$ in the coordinates (T, p) (i.e., in terms of $\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T}\right)_p$ and $\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial p}\right)_T$ and some functions of T and p.)
- c. Write the differential form $\delta Q := dU + pdV$ in both coordinate systems.

Aufgabe P11 Particle creation

Imagine that particles can come into existence or disappear freely. If we assign to each particle a mass M, a (non-relativistic) kinetic energy, and a rest energy Mc^2 , where c is the speed of light, then assuming the system is in thermal equilibrium at temperature τ , compute the expected density of particles n.

Aufgabe P12 Two-level fermions

Consider a system of independent indistinguishable particles in diffuse and thermal equilibrium at temperature τ and chemical potential μ , where each particle can be in one of two states. One state has energy 0 and one state has energy ϵ . Also we forbid two particles from occupying the same state.

a. Show that the grand-canonical partition function is

$$\mathcal{Z} = (1+\lambda)(1+\lambda e^{-\epsilon/\tau}),$$

where $\lambda = e^{\mu/\tau}$.

b. Show, by directly summing Gibbs factors, that the expected number of particles is

$$\langle N \rangle = \frac{\lambda [1 + e^{-\epsilon/\tau} + 2\lambda e^{-\epsilon/\tau}]}{\mathcal{Z}}.$$

c. In the same manner, show that the expected energy is

$$U = \frac{\epsilon \lambda}{1 + \lambda e^{\epsilon/\tau}}.$$

d. Observe that the partition function \mathcal{Z} has the form $\mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{Z}_1 \mathcal{Z}_2$ where $\mathcal{Z}_1 = 1 + \lambda$ and $\mathcal{Z}_2 = 1 + \lambda e^{-\epsilon/\tau}$. This suggests that we can identify two independent systems corresponding to the partitions functions \mathcal{Z}_i . What are these systems?