

3.4) Thermodynamics throughout ensembles

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Micro: 3 control parameters $T/V, P/V, \mu/N$.

thermodynamic potentials S, F, G

thermodynamic limits: Saddle point $\Rightarrow$ thermodynamic relations

Dependent variables: The thermodynamic variables are NOT

independent. There are 3 control parameters ($U/T, P/V, \mu/N$) & the other variables are enslaved to these. (If you add observables, e.g. magnetization M & magnetic field h , you can increase the number of independent variables.)

Ensemble equivalence: upon enforcing the right relations, the microscopic origin becomes irrelevant & we can manipulate all these quantities independently of their microscopic origin.

The evil crime of thermodynamics

In the thermodynamic limit, each observable can be expressed using a wide range of variables.

$$\text{E.g. } S_{GC}(T, V, \mu) = S_C(\bar{T}, V, N(T, V, \mu)) = S_m(U(T, V, \mu), V, N(T, V, \mu))$$

Mathematically, these functions are all distinct, but they yield the same values thanks to the thermodynamic relations. Nobody wants to keep such a heavy notation and, instead, one writes

$S(T, V, \mu) = S(T, V, N) = S(U, V, N)$ assuming the thermodynamic relations hold. The variables define the function. But then

$\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}$ can correspond to many different functions $\Rightarrow$ solution is to

write $\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_{N, N}$ to say that this is $\frac{\partial}{\partial V} S(U, V, N)$ and not

$\frac{\partial}{\partial V} S(T, V, N)$. The notation is light, but it makes mathematics

painful.

The standard chain rule

$$S_c(T, N, V) = S_m(U(T, V, N), N, V) \quad \text{thanks to } \frac{\partial S_m}{\partial U} = \frac{1}{T}$$

$$\frac{\partial S_c}{\partial V} = \frac{\partial S_m}{\partial V} + \frac{\partial S_m}{\partial U} \cdot \frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_{N, T}}_{\text{"Obviously", } S(V, N, T) = S_c} = \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_{N, U}}_{S(V, N, U) = S_m} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial U}\right)_{N, V}}_{U(N, V, T) = E^*} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}}_{N, T}$$

The modified chain rule

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Let us show that another type of chain rule exist, that reads:

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = - \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial T} \right)_{S,V} \quad (mc_1)$$

$$\text{or} \quad \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial T} \right)_{S,V} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial S} \right)_{N,V} = -1 \quad (mc_2)$$

S, T, N, V are 4 variables, and thus not independent. We now treat $S(U, N, V)$, which can be inverted in $U(S, N, V)$

$$\text{then } T = \frac{\partial U(S, N, V)}{\partial S} \text{ relates } T, S, N, V$$

We write this as $g(T, S, N, V) = 0$, where $g = T - \frac{\partial U(S, N, V)}{\partial S}$

and we work at fixed V so that T, S, N are not independent anymore

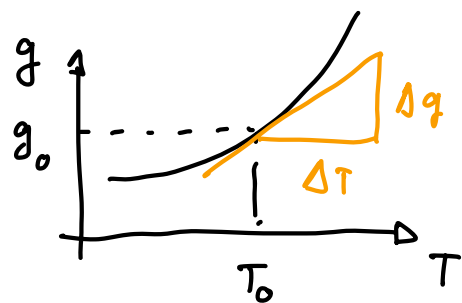
Their variations indeed have to satisfy $dg = 0$ so that

$$dg = \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial T} \right)_{S,N} dT + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial S} \right)_{T,N} dS + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial N} \right)_{S,T} dN = 0 \quad (*)$$

Let us show that $\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial g} \right)_{S,N} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial T} \right)_{S,N} = 1$.

At fixed S, N, V , $g(T, S, N, V)$ is a 1d function $g(T)$

$$\left. \frac{\partial g}{\partial T} \right|_{T_0} = \frac{\Delta g}{\Delta T} \quad \& \quad \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial g} \right|_{g_0} = \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta g}$$



$$\Rightarrow \left. \frac{\partial g}{\partial T} \right|_{T_0} = \left(\left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial g} \right|_{g_0} \right)^{-1}$$

Take (*) & multiply by $\left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial g} \right|_{S, N}$

$$dT = - \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial g} \right|_{S, N} \left. \frac{\partial g}{\partial S} \right|_{T, N} dS - \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial g} \right|_{S, N} \left. \frac{\partial g}{\partial N} \right|_{S, T} dN$$

From there, we get

$$\left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial S} \right|_{N, V} = - \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial g} \right|_{S, N} \left. \frac{\partial g}{\partial S} \right|_{T, N} \quad (1)$$

which are of the 3 factors entering mc_2 . We can repeat this for the other variables

$$T \leftrightarrow N ; S \leftrightarrow T ; N \leftrightarrow S \text{ to get } \left. \frac{\partial N}{\partial T} \right|_{S, V} = - \left. \frac{\partial N}{\partial g} \right|_{T, S} \left. \frac{\partial g}{\partial T} \right|_{N, S} \quad (2)$$

$$\& \quad \left. \frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right|_{T, V} = - \left. \frac{\partial S}{\partial g} \right|_{N, T} \left. \frac{\partial g}{\partial N} \right|_{T, S} \quad (3)$$

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$$(1) \times (2) \times (3) \quad \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial S} \right)_{N,V} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial T} \right)_{S,V} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V} = - \cancel{\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial S} \right)_{S,N}} \cdot \cancel{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_{T,N}} \cdot \cancel{\left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial S} \right)_{T,S}} \cdot \cancel{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_{N,S}} \\ \times \cancel{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial S} \right)_{N,T}} \cdot \cancel{\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right)_{T,S}} = -1$$

$\Rightarrow$ shows (mc₂)

Multiplying by $\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V}$ shows (mc₁).

The dependency by the variables lead to useful but weird formula...

3.4.2) Thermodynamic relations

What are the tools that we can use to navigate thermodynamics?

① chain rule (modified & standard)

② The 1st law $dU = TdS - PdV + \mu dN \Leftrightarrow dS = \frac{dU}{T} + \frac{P}{T} dV - \frac{\mu}{T} dN$

relates the change in energy / entropy to changes in extensive variables.

Comments: We can use this to change variables

If we want $U(T, V, N)$, we need to get rid of $dS \Rightarrow S(T, V, N)$ so that

$$dS = \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_{V,N} dT + \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_{T,N} dV + \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V} dN$$

$$\Rightarrow d\mu = T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_{V,N} dT + \left(T \frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_{T,N} - P dV + \left(T \frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V} + \mu dN$$

iii) Saddle points & Legendre transform

$$F = U - TS ; G = U - TS + \mu N ; \text{etc.}$$

iv) Extensivity

$$* E(\lambda S, \lambda V, \lambda N) = \lambda E(S, V, N) \quad \text{Taking } \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \text{ \& setting } \lambda = 1$$

$$S \underbrace{\frac{\partial E}{\partial S}}_T + V \underbrace{\frac{\partial E}{\partial V}}_{-P} + N \underbrace{\frac{\partial E}{\partial N}}_{\mu} = E(S, V, N) = TS - PV + \mu N \quad (1)$$

$\Rightarrow \mu N = E - TS - PV = F - PV$

1st law

Application: Gibbs Duhem relation

$$\text{Using (1) \& first law: } SdT - VdP + Nd\mu = 0$$

This relates variations of intensive parameters.

$$* G(T, \mu, \lambda V) = \lambda G(T, \mu, V) \Rightarrow V \underbrace{\frac{\partial G}{\partial V}}_{-P} = G \Rightarrow \boxed{G = -PV}$$

$\Rightarrow$ Very useful to compute the pressure.

v) Maxwell relations

$$\text{For any function } X(A, B, C), \quad \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial A \partial B} = \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial B \partial A} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial A} \left(\frac{\partial X}{\partial B} \right)_{A,C} = \frac{\partial}{\partial B} \left(\frac{\partial X}{\partial A} \right)_{B,C}$$

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$$\text{Ex: } \left. \frac{\partial E}{\partial S} \right)_{V,N} = T \quad \& \quad \left. \frac{\partial E}{\partial N} \right)_{S,V} = \mu \quad \Rightarrow \quad \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial N} \right)_{S,V} = \left. \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial S} \right)_{N,V}$$

Applications: Number fluctuations & compressibility

Grand canonical: At fixed V & T , $\langle N^2 \rangle_c = kT \left. \frac{\partial \langle N \rangle}{\partial \mu} \right)_{T,V}$

How can we measure the right hand side? By relating it

to measurable observables: $\rho_0 = \frac{N}{V}$ & $\kappa_T = -\frac{1}{V} \left. \frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \right)_{T,N}$ the compressibility

① modified chain rule at fixed T

$$\left. \frac{\partial N}{\partial \mu} \right)_{V,T} = - \left. \frac{\partial N}{\partial V} \right)_{\mu,T} \left. \frac{\partial V}{\partial \mu} \right)_{N,T}$$

② Extensivity

$$N(\lambda V, \mu, T) = \lambda N(V, \mu, T) \Rightarrow V \left. \frac{\partial N}{\partial V} \right)_{\mu,T} = N \Rightarrow \left. \frac{\partial N}{\partial V} \right)_{\mu,T} = \rho_0$$

③ Standard chain rule

$$V(\mu, N, T) = V(P(\mu, N, T), N, T)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial V}{\partial \mu} \right)_{N,T} = \left. \frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \right)_{N,T} \left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \mu} \right)_{N,T}$$

④ Gibbs Duhem

$$0 = SdT - VdP + N \overset{\text{fixed}}{T} d\mu \Rightarrow dP = \frac{N}{V} d\mu \Rightarrow \left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \mu} \right)_{V,T} = \rho_0$$

$$\text{All in all } \left. \frac{\partial N}{\partial \mu} \right)_{V, T} = -\beta_0^2 (-V K_T) = \beta_0^2 K_T V = \frac{N^2}{V} K_T \approx \frac{\langle N \rangle^2}{V} K_T \quad (9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\langle N^2 \rangle}{\langle N \rangle^2} = \frac{kT}{V} K_T \Rightarrow \text{which can be measured!}$$

Outlook: Heat engines

With all these tools & formalism, one can now study what happens when transformations are brought to a system.

In the canonical ensemble, energy is exchanged with a thermostat that may not solely happen through work $\Rightarrow$ Heat $\delta Q = dE - dw$

When the process is slow, the system remains in equilibrium and

$$dE = TdS - pdV = TdS - dw, \text{ one finds } \delta Q = TdS.$$

Studying these transformations from a microscopic perspective is

the goal of **stochastic thermodynamics**. An important application

is the study of **heat engines** $\Rightarrow$ thermodynamics book.