

PHY 341/641
Thermodynamics and Statistical Physics

Lecture 33

Analysis of classical gases and liquids (STP Chapt. 8)

- Virial coefficients
- Radial distribution functions

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25	3/28/2012	Phase transformations	7.1-7.3	HW 21	03/30/2012
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28	4/04/2012	Equilibrium constants	7.5		
	4/06/2012	Good Friday Holiday			
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30	4/13/2012	Simulation of chemical potential	7.2	Exam continued	
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-- student presentations 4/30, 5/2 (need to pick topics)

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**Time, Einstein, and the
Coolest Stuff in the Universe**

A free public lecture by Nobel Laureate
Dr. William Phillips
 National Institute of Standards and Technology

8:00 PM Friday, April 20

[Brendle Recital Hall](#)
 Wake Forest University

www.wfu.edu/physics/sps/spszone52012conf/welcome.html

Part of SPS zone 5 conference
 April 20-21, 2012

Received 1997 Nobel Prize with Steven Chu and Claude Cohen-Tannoudji "for development of methods to cool and trap atoms with laser light"

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Estimate of partition function for interacting gas or fluid;
virial expansion:

Free energy for interacting particles :

$$F(T, V, N) = -kT \ln Z_N = -kT \ln Z_{IG} - kT \ln Z_C$$

$$= F_{IG}(T, V, N) + F_C(T, V, N)$$

$$P = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_{T, N} = \frac{NkT}{V} - \left(\frac{\partial F_C}{\partial V}\right)_{T, N}$$

$$\frac{PV}{NkT} = 1 + \frac{V}{N} \left(\frac{\partial \ln Z_C}{\partial V}\right)_{T, N}$$

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{V^N} \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \dots d^3r_N e^{-\beta U}$$

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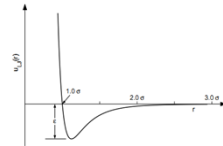
Model simulations of Z_C

Isotropic pairwise interaction potentials :

$$U(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) = \sum_{i < j} u(|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|)$$

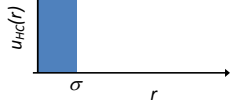
Lennard-Jones potential :

$$u_{LJ}(r) = 4\epsilon \left[\left(\frac{\sigma}{r}\right)^{12} - \left(\frac{\sigma}{r}\right)^6 \right]$$



Hard-core potential :

$$u_{HC}(r) = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{for } r < \sigma \\ 0 & \text{for } r > \sigma \end{cases}$$



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For pair potential :

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{V^N} \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \dots d^3r_N e^{-\beta U}$$

$$= \frac{1}{V^N} \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \dots d^3r_N e^{-\beta u(r_{12}) - \beta u(r_{23}) - \beta u(r_{13}) - \dots - \beta u(r_{(N-1)N})}$$

Define :

$$f_{ij} = e^{-\beta u(r_{ij})} - 1$$

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{V^N} \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \dots d^3r_N (1 + f_{12})(1 + f_{23})(1 + f_{13}) \dots (1 + f_{(N-1)N})$$

$$= 1 + \frac{N(N-1)}{2V^2} \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 f_{12} + \frac{N(N-1)(N-2)}{6V^3} \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 d^3r_3 f_{12} f_{13} f_{23} \dots$$

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"Virial" expansion of equation of state :

$$\frac{PV}{NkT} = 1 + \frac{V}{N} \left(\frac{\partial \ln Z_C}{\partial V} \right)_{T,N}$$

$$\approx 1 + \rho B_2(T) + \rho^2 B_3(T) + \dots$$

where $\rho \equiv \frac{N}{V}$

Evaluation of $B_2(T)$:

$$\frac{N(N-1)}{2V^2} \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 f_{12} = \frac{N(N-1)}{2V} \int d^3r_{12} (e^{-\beta u(r_{12})} - 1)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial V} \left(\frac{N(N-1)}{2V} \int d^3r_{12} (e^{-\beta u(r_{12})} - 1) \right) \right)_{T,N} \approx -\frac{\rho^2}{2} \int d^3r_{12} (e^{-\beta u(r_{12})} - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2(T) = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^3r_{12} (e^{-\beta u(r_{12})} - 1)$$

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Evaluation of $B_2(T)$:

$$B_2(T) = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^3r_{12} (e^{-\beta u(r_{12})} - 1)$$

For hard sphere: $B_2(T) = \frac{2\pi\sigma^3}{3}$

For square well: $B_2(T) = \frac{2\pi\sigma^3}{3} (1 - (e^{-\beta\epsilon} - 1)(R^3 - 1))$

Lennard - Jones potential :

$$u_{LJ}(r) = 4\epsilon \left[\left(\frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^{12} - \left(\frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^6 \right]$$

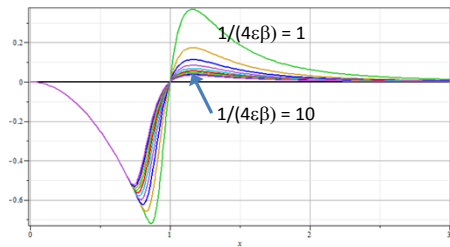
$$B_2(T) = -2\pi\sigma^3 \int_0^\infty x^2 dx \left(e^{-4\epsilon\beta \left(\frac{1}{x^{12}} - \frac{1}{x^6} \right)} - 1 \right)$$

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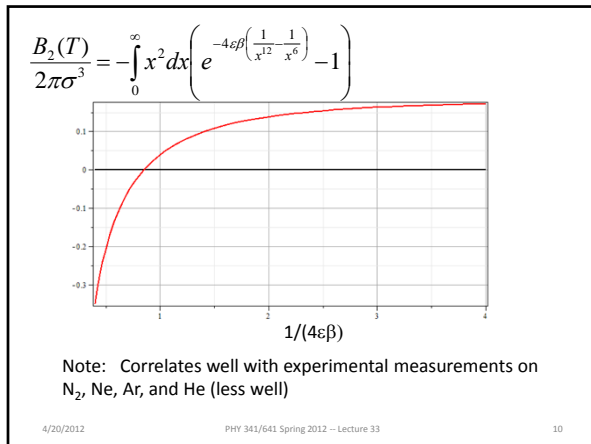
$$x^2 \left(e^{-4\epsilon\beta \left(\frac{1}{x^{12}} - \frac{1}{x^6} \right)} - 1 \right)$$



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Radial distribution function $g(r)$

Previously we have defined the correlation contribution to the partition function:

$$Z_C = \frac{1}{V^N} \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \dots d^3r_N e^{-\beta U}$$

This can be rewritten :

$$Z_C = \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \left(\frac{1}{V^N} \int d^3r_3 \dots d^3r_N e^{-\beta U} \right)$$

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$$Z_C = \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \left(\frac{1}{V^N} \int d^3r_3 \dots d^3r_N e^{-\beta U} \right)$$

The quantity in () is related to the "pair distribution function" $g(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2)$ – given a particle at \mathbf{r}_1 what is the probability of finding a second particle at \mathbf{r}_2 .

$$Z_C = \int d^3r_1 d^3r_2 \left(\frac{1}{V^N} \int d^3r_3 \dots d^3r_N e^{-\beta U} \right)$$

$$\rho^2 g(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \frac{N(N-1)}{Z_C V^N} \int d^3r_3 \dots d^3r_N e^{-\beta U}$$

where $\rho \equiv \frac{N}{V}$

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Radial distribution function – continued --

$$\rho^2 g(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \frac{N(N-1)}{Z_C V^N} \int d^3 r_3 \dots d^3 r_N e^{-\beta U}$$

If $g(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = g(|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|)$ then

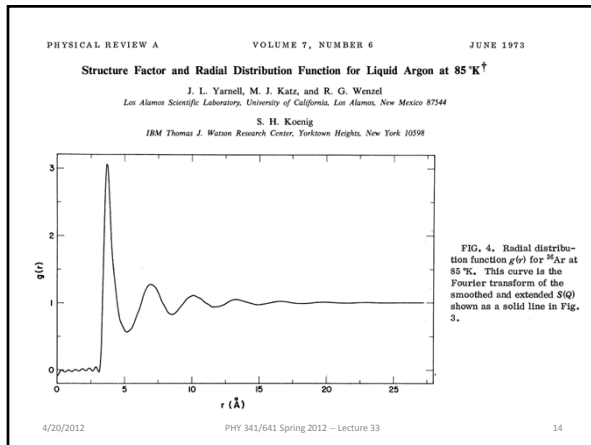
$$\rho \int 4\pi r^2 dr g(r) = N - 1 \approx N$$

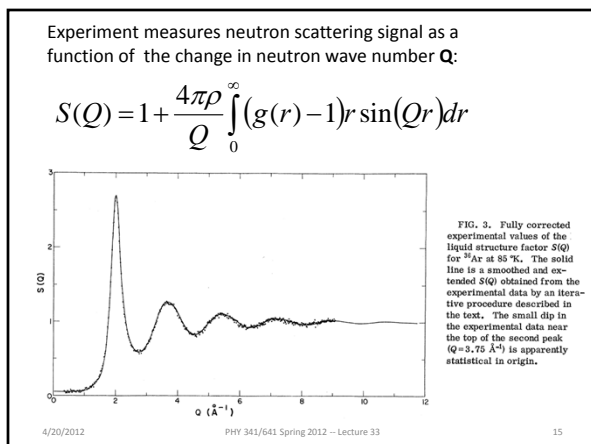
Measurement of $g(r)$ by neutron scattering:

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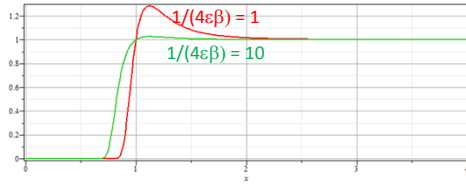




Estimate of $g(r)$ from theory:

For systems described by pair potentials in the dilute limit:

$$g(r) \approx e^{-\beta u(r)}$$



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