

PHY 341/641

Thermodynamics and Statistical Physics

Lecture 7

1. Chemical potential
2. Gibbs-Duhem equation
3. Thermodynamic derivatives

Summary of thermodynamic potential functions

Name	Potential	Differential Form
Internal energy	$E(S, V, N)$	$dE = TdS - PdV + \mu dN$
Entropy	$S(E, V, N)$	$dS = \frac{1}{T}dE + \frac{P}{T}dV - \frac{\mu}{T}dN$
Enthalpy	$H(S, P, N) = E + PV$	$dH = TdS + VdP + \mu dN$
Helmholtz free energy	$F(T, V, N) = E - TS$	$dF = -SdT - PdV + \mu dN$
Gibbs free energy	$G(T, P, N) = F + PV$	$dG = -SdT + VdP + \mu dN$
Landau potential	$\Omega(T, V, \mu) = F - \mu N$	$d\Omega = -SdT - PdV - Nd\mu$

Variables and functions:

Internal energy U

Entropy S

Pressure P

Volume V

Temperature T

Number of particles N

Chemical potential μ

$$\mu \equiv -T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right)_{U,V}$$

Categories of functions and variables

Extensive → depends on system size

Intensive → independent of system size

Extensive	Intensive
Number of particles N	Temperature T
Volume V	Pressure P
Entropy S(U,V,N)	Density ρ
Internal energy U(S,V,N)	Chemical potential μ
Enthalpy H(S,P,N)	
Helmholz Free energy F(T,V,N)	
Gibbs Free energy G(T,P,N)	

Chemical potential

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

From first law of thermo evaluated at constant U and V :

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right)_{V,U} = \frac{-(\partial U / \partial N)_{S,V}}{(\partial U / \partial S)_{N,V}} = \frac{-\mu}{T}$$

Special relationship of μ to $G(T, P, N)$:

Argue that: $G(T, P, N) = Ng(T, P)$

$$\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial N} \right)_{T,P} = \mu = g(T, P) \quad \Rightarrow \mu = \frac{G(T, P, N)}{N}$$

In terms of Gibbs free energy density $g(T, P)$ (intensive function) --

Gibbs - Duhem equation :

$$dg = d\mu = \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial T} \right)_P dT + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial P} \right)_T dP$$

$$dg = d\mu = -\frac{S}{N} dT + \frac{V}{N} dP \equiv -sdT + vdP$$

Some materials parameters based on thermodynamic variables and functions

Heat capacity at constant V :

$$C_V = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_V = T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_V$$

In fact, this should be easy, but as we have seen the “natural” variables of U are $U=U(S,V,N)$ and $S=S(U,V,N)$.

$$T = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S} \right)_V \quad \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial S} \right)_V = \left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial S^2} \right)_V$$
$$\Rightarrow C_V = \frac{T}{\left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial S^2} \right)_V} = \frac{\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S} \right)_V}{\left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial S^2} \right)_V}$$

Some materials parameters based on thermodynamic variables and functions -- continued

Heat capacity at constant P :

$$C_P = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial T} \right)_P = T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_P$$

This again should be easy, but as we have seen the “natural” variables of H are $H=H(S,P,N)$ and $S=S(U,V,N)$.

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial S} \right)_P & \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial S} \right)_P &= \left(\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial S^2} \right)_P \\ \Rightarrow C_P &= \frac{T}{\left(\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial S^2} \right)_P} = \frac{\left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial S} \right)_P}{\left(\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial S^2} \right)_P} \end{aligned}$$

Internal energy with its "natural variables": $U = U(S, V, N)$

$$dU = TdS - PdV + \mu dN = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S} \right)_{V,N} dS + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_{S,N} dV + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial N} \right)_{S,V} dN$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S} \right)_{V,N} \quad P = - \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_{S,N} \quad \mu = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial N} \right)_{V,S}$$

Example for ideal Gas :

$$U = \frac{NkT}{\gamma - 1} \quad PV = NkT$$

$$S = \frac{Nk}{\gamma - 1} \ln \left(\frac{T}{T_1} \left(\frac{V}{V_1} \right)^{\gamma-1} \right) \quad \Rightarrow T = \frac{T_1 e^{\left(\frac{\gamma-1}{Nk} S \right)}}{\left(V / V_1 \right)^{\gamma-1}}$$

$$U(S, V) = \frac{NkT_1}{\gamma - 1} \frac{e^{\left(\frac{\gamma-1}{Nk} S \right)}}{\left(V / V_1 \right)^{\gamma-1}}$$

Internal energy with its "un - natural variables": $U = U(T, V, N)$

$$dU = TdS - PdV + \mu dN = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_{V,N} dT + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_{T,N} dV + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V} dN$$

It is therefore convenient to assume: $S = S(T, V, N)$

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

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_{V,N} = T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_{V,N} \quad \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_{T,N} = -P + T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_{T,N}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V} = \mu + T \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V}$$

Other useful thermodynamic derivatives

Isothermal compressibility :

$$\kappa = -\frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \right)_{T,N}$$

Isobaric expansion :

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_{P,N}$$

Example from your text on functional dependences in black body radiation following analysis by Boltzmann in 1884.

Assume that we have a system characterized by :

Internal energy : $U(T, V) \equiv u(T)V$ Entropy : $S(T, V)$

Pressure : $P(T) \equiv \frac{1}{3}u(T)$

$$dS = \frac{V}{T} \frac{du}{dT} dT + \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_T dV$$

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

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial V} \right)_T \left(\frac{V}{T} \frac{du}{dT} \right) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial T} \right)_V \left(\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_T \right) \Rightarrow u(T) = KT^4, \quad S(T, V) = \frac{4}{3}KT^3V$$