

S9.D. Virial Coefficients for Quantum Gases

Quantum effects:

1. Diffraction effects if $\lambda_T \approx$ particle size
2. Statistics (or exchange effects) if $\lambda_T \approx$ distance between particles

The quantum grand partition function is defined as [c.f.(9.13)]

$$\begin{aligned} Z_\mu(T, V) &= \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \text{Tr} \exp\left[-\beta(\hat{H}^N - \mu \hat{N})\right] \\ &= \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{\beta\mu N} z^N}{N!} \text{Tr} \hat{W}_N(\beta) \end{aligned} \quad (9.100)$$

where

$$\hat{W}_N(\beta) = \frac{N!}{z^N} \exp\left(-\beta \hat{H}^N\right) \quad z = \lambda_T^{-3} \quad (9.101)$$

Reminder: \hat{K}^N & \hat{V}^N do not commute so that $\text{Tr} \hat{W}_N(\beta)$ is the closest quantum analog to the configuration integral $Q_N(V, T)$.

Note that the trace over an N -particle operator is given by

$$\text{Tr} \hat{O}_N = \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N} \langle \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_N | \hat{O}_N | \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_N \rangle \quad (9.101a)$$

where $\{ | \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_N \rangle \}$ is a complete set of orthonormal N -particle states. Since \hat{O}_N is symmetric in the particle labels, all $N!$ permutations among the quantum numbers $\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_N$ correspond to the same state; hence the $1/N!$ factor in (9.101a). Reichl used the notation $\text{Tr}_N \hat{O}_N$ to emphasize this.

The quantum cumulant expansion is [c.f.(9.14)]

$$Z_\mu(T, V) = \exp\left[\sum_{N=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{\beta\mu N} z^N}{N!} \text{Tr} \hat{U}_N(\beta) \right] \quad (9.102)$$

Since $\text{Tr} \hat{O}$ is a number, we can write down immediately the analog of (9.16-8):

$$\text{Tr} \hat{U}_1 = \text{Tr} \hat{W}_1 \quad (9.103)$$

$$\text{Tr} \hat{U}_2 = \text{Tr} \hat{W}_2 - (\text{Tr} \hat{W}_1)^2 \quad (9.104)$$

$$\text{Tr} \hat{U}_3 = \text{Tr} \hat{W}_3 - 3 \text{Tr} \hat{W}_1 \text{Tr} \hat{W}_2 + 2 (\text{Tr} \hat{W}_1)^3 \quad (9.105)$$

As in (9.15),

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(V, T, \mu) &= -k_B T \ln Z_\mu(T, V) \\ &= -k_B T \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{\beta\mu N} z^N}{N!} \text{Tr} \hat{U}_N(\beta) \end{aligned} \quad (9.106)$$

so that [c.f.(9.42)]

$$\frac{\langle N \rangle}{V} = -\frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \mu} \right)_{T, V} = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} N z^N e^{\beta\mu N} b_N(T, V) \quad (9.107)$$

where [c.f.(9.39)]

$$b_N(T, V) = \frac{1}{N! V} \text{Tr} \hat{U}_N(\beta) \quad (9.108)$$

The virial expansion of the equation of state is the same as the classical case [see (9.43)]

$$\frac{P V}{\langle N \rangle k_B T} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{B}_j(T) \left(\frac{\langle N \rangle}{V} \right)^{j-1} \quad (9.109)$$

where the quantum virial coefficients \mathcal{B}_j are related to the quantum b_N by the same equations (9.45-8) given for their classical counterparts.

See Ex.9.4-5 for the calculation of \mathcal{B}_2 .

Combining (9.46) & (9.108), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}_2(T) = -b_2(T) &= -\frac{1}{2! V} \text{Tr} \hat{U}_2(\beta) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2! V} \left\{ \text{Tr} \hat{W}_2 - (\text{Tr} \hat{W}_1)^2 \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (9.110)$$

For the Hamiltonian (9.1),

$$\hat{W}_1(\beta) = \frac{1}{z} \exp(-\beta \hat{T}) \quad \hat{W}_2(\beta) = \frac{2}{z^2} \exp\left[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2 + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_{12})\right] \quad (9.110a)$$

where $\hat{\mathcal{V}}_{12} = \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2(\mathbf{q}_{12}, s_1, s_2)$ is now possibly dependent on the spin \mathbf{s}_j of the particles.

Setting

$$\hat{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{1}{2}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}_2 - \hat{\mathbf{p}}_1) = \text{relative momentum} \quad \hat{\mathbf{P}} = \hat{\mathbf{p}}_2 + \hat{\mathbf{p}}_1 = \text{total momentum}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{p}}^2 &= \frac{1}{4}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}_2^2 + \hat{\mathbf{p}}_1^2 - 2\hat{\mathbf{p}}_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{p}}_1) & \hat{\mathbf{P}}^2 &= \hat{\mathbf{p}}_2^2 + \hat{\mathbf{p}}_1^2 + 2\hat{\mathbf{p}}_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{p}}_1 \\ \rightarrow \hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2 &= \frac{1}{2m}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}_1^2 + \hat{\mathbf{p}}_2^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{4m}(\hat{\mathbf{P}}^2 + 4\hat{\mathbf{p}}^2) \\ &= \hat{T}_{\text{cm}} + \hat{T}_{\text{rel}} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{T}_{\text{cm}} &= \frac{1}{4m} \hat{\mathbf{P}}^2 = \frac{1}{2M} \hat{\mathbf{P}}^2 & M &= 2m = \text{total mass} \\ \hat{T}_{\text{rel}} &= \frac{1}{m} \hat{\mathbf{p}}^2 = \frac{1}{2\mu} \hat{\mathbf{p}}^2 & \text{Reduced mass } \mu &\text{ is given by } \frac{1}{\mu} = \frac{2}{m} \end{aligned}$$

The superscript 0 will be used to denote values for the non-interacting gas, e.g.,

$$\mathcal{B}_2^0(T) = \mathcal{B}_2(T) \Big|_{\mathcal{V}=0}$$

Since

$$\text{Tr} \hat{W}_1 = \text{Tr} \hat{W}_1^0$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \mathcal{B}_2(T) &= \mathcal{B}_2(T) - \mathcal{B}_2^0(T) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2! V} \left\{ \text{Tr} \hat{W}_2 - \text{Tr} \hat{W}_2^0 \right\} \\ &= -\frac{1}{V z^2} \left\{ \text{Tr} e^{-\beta(\hat{T}_{\text{cm}} + \hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}})} - \text{Tr} e^{-\beta(\hat{T}_{\text{cm}} + \hat{T}_{\text{rel}})} \right\} \\ &= -\frac{1}{V z^2} \left\{ \text{Tr} e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{cm}}} \left[e^{-\beta(\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (9.111)$$

where we've used the fact that \hat{T}_{cm} commutes with both \hat{T}_{rel} & $\hat{\mathcal{V}}_2$.

For bosons, the N -particle states must be symmetrized.

For a gas of spin-0 bosons, the symmetrized 2-particle orthonormal complete states are

$$| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle_+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle + | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle \right) \quad (9.112)$$

where $| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle$ means particle 1 & 2 are in states $| \mathbf{k} \rangle$ & $| \mathbf{k}' \rangle$, respectively.

(9.111) thus becomes

$$\Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{BE}}(T) = -\frac{1}{V Z^2} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \left\langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \left| e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{cm}}} \left[e^{-\beta (\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{V}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \right| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \right\rangle_+ \quad (9.113)$$

where the superscript BE stands for Bose-Einstein statistics.

Consider next a gas of spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ fermions. The natural basis for the spin states of N such particles is

$\{ | s_{1z}, \dots, s_{Nz} \rangle \}$, where $s_{jz} = \pm \frac{1}{2}$ or \uparrow or \downarrow is the z -component of the spin of the j^{th} particle.

For a 2-fermion cluster, the basis consists of 4 spin states

$$| \uparrow \uparrow \rangle, \quad | \uparrow \downarrow \rangle, \quad | \downarrow \uparrow \rangle, \quad \text{and} \quad | \downarrow \downarrow \rangle \quad (9.113a)$$

For processes which conserve angular momentum, it is more convenient to switch to the basis

$\{ | S, S_z \rangle \}$, where $\hat{\mathbf{S}} = \sum_{j=1}^N \hat{\mathbf{s}}_j$ is the total spin and $S_z = -S, -S+1, \dots, S$ its z -component.

For a 2-fermion cluster, $S = 1$ or 0 so that the basis consists of 4 spin states

$$| 1, 1 \rangle, \quad | 1, 0 \rangle, \quad | 1, -1 \rangle, \quad \text{and} \quad | 0, 0 \rangle \quad (9.113b)$$

The relation between these two bases can be found using $S_z = \sum_j s_{jz}$ and the raising and lowering

operators $S_{\pm} = S_x \pm i S_y$ & $s_{j\pm} = s_{jx} \pm i s_{jy}$. The results are listed in tables of Clebsch-Gordan coefficients that can be found in most text book on quantum mechanics.

For the 2-fermion cluster, the basis consists of 4 spin states

$$\begin{aligned} | 0, 0 \rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(| \uparrow \downarrow \rangle - | \downarrow \uparrow \rangle \right) \\ | 1, 1 \rangle &= | \uparrow \uparrow \rangle \\ | 1, 0 \rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(| \uparrow \downarrow \rangle + | \downarrow \uparrow \rangle \right) \\ | 1, -1 \rangle &= | \downarrow \downarrow \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (9.113c)$$

Noting that $| 0, 0 \rangle$ is anti-symmetric under particle exchange, while $| 1, S_z \rangle$ are symmetric, we can write the anti-symmetrized 2-fermion basis states as

$$\begin{aligned} | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'; 0, 0 \rangle_a &= \frac{1}{2} \left(| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle + | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle \right) \left(| \uparrow \downarrow \rangle - | \downarrow \uparrow \rangle \right) \\ | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'; 1, 1 \rangle_a &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle - | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle \right) | \uparrow \uparrow \rangle \\ | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'; 0, 0 \rangle_a &= \frac{1}{2} \left(| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle - | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle \right) \left(| \uparrow \downarrow \rangle + | \downarrow \uparrow \rangle \right) \\ | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'; 1, -1 \rangle_a &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle - | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle \right) | \downarrow \downarrow \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (9.114)$$

The fermionic version of (9.113) is therefore

$$\Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{FD}}(T) = -\frac{1}{V Z^2} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \sum_{S, S_z} \left\langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'; S, S_z \left| e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{cm}}} \left[e^{-\beta (\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{V}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \right| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'; S, S_z \right\rangle_a$$

(9.115)

where the superscript FD stands for Fermi-Dirac statistics.

For spin-independent operators, the sums over spin can be performed separately, giving

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{S, S_z} \langle \alpha; S, S_z | \hat{O} | \alpha; S, S_z \rangle_a \\ &= \sum_{S_z=-1}^1 \langle \alpha_-; 1, S_z | \hat{O} | \alpha_-; 1, S_z \rangle + \sum_{S_z=0}^0 \langle \alpha_+; 0, S_z | \hat{O} | \alpha_+; 0, S_z \rangle \\ &= 3 \langle \alpha_- | \hat{O} | \alpha_- \rangle + \langle \alpha_+ | \hat{O} | \alpha_+ \rangle \end{aligned}$$

where α_{\pm} is the (symmetric / anti-symmetric) part of α .

Generalizing (9.112) to

$$| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle_{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle \pm | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle \right) \quad (9.117)$$

(9.115) becomes, for spin-independent interactions, $\hat{\mathcal{V}}_2 = \mathcal{V}_2(\hat{\mathbf{q}})$,

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{FD}}(T) &= -\frac{1}{V Z^2} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \left[3 \left\langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \left| e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{cm}}} \left[e^{-\beta(\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \right| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \right\rangle_- \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left\langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \left| e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{cm}}} \left[e^{-\beta(\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \right| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \right\rangle_+ \right] \quad (9.116) \end{aligned}$$

Setting

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{p}} &= \hbar \hat{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{1}{2} \hbar (\hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 - \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1) & \hat{\mathbf{P}} &= \hbar \hat{\mathbf{K}} = \hbar (\hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 + \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1) \\ \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1 &= \frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{K}} - \hat{\mathbf{k}} & \hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{K}} + \hat{\mathbf{k}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, in switching to the basis $| \mathbf{K}, \boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle$, we set

$$| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle = | \mathbf{K}, \boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle \quad | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle = | \mathbf{K}, -\boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1 | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle &= \mathbf{k} | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{K}} - \hat{\mathbf{k}} \right) | \mathbf{K}, \boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{K} - \boldsymbol{\kappa} \right) | \mathbf{K}, \boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle \\ \hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle &= \mathbf{k}' | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{K}} + \hat{\mathbf{k}} \right) | \mathbf{K}, \boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{K} + \boldsymbol{\kappa} \right) | \mathbf{K}, \boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle \\ \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1 | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle &= \mathbf{k}' | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{K}} - \hat{\mathbf{k}} \right) | \mathbf{K}, -\boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{K} + \boldsymbol{\kappa} \right) | \mathbf{K}, -\boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle \\ \hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle &= \mathbf{k} | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{2} \hat{\mathbf{K}} + \hat{\mathbf{k}} \right) | \mathbf{K}, -\boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{K} - \boldsymbol{\kappa} \right) | \mathbf{K}, -\boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle \\ \rightarrow \mathbf{k} &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{K} - \boldsymbol{\kappa} & \mathbf{k}' &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{K} + \boldsymbol{\kappa} \end{aligned}$$

as expected.

(9.117) thus becomes

$$| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle_{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(| \mathbf{K}, \boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle \pm | \mathbf{K}, -\boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle \right) \quad (9.118)$$

Using

$$e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{cm}}} | \mathbf{K}, \pm \boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle = e^{-\beta \hbar^2 K^2 / 4m} | \mathbf{K}, \pm \boldsymbol{\kappa} \rangle$$

we can write the matrix element in (9.113) as

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \left| e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{cm}}} \left[e^{-\beta (\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \right| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \right\rangle_+ \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left(\langle \mathbf{K}, \mathbf{k} | + \langle \mathbf{K}, -\mathbf{k} | \right) e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{cm}}} \left[e^{-\beta (\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \left(| \mathbf{K}, \mathbf{k} \rangle + | \mathbf{K}, -\mathbf{k} \rangle \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{K} | e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{cm}}} | \mathbf{K} \rangle \left(\langle \mathbf{k} | + \langle -\mathbf{k} | \right) \left[e^{-\beta (\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \left(| \mathbf{k} \rangle + | -\mathbf{k} \rangle \right) \\
&= e^{-\beta \hbar^2 K^2 / 4m} \left\langle \mathbf{k} \left| \left[e^{-\beta (\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \right| \mathbf{k} \right\rangle_+
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$| \mathbf{k} \rangle_{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(| \mathbf{k} \rangle \pm | -\mathbf{k} \rangle \right)$$

Using

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\mathbf{K}} e^{-\beta \hbar^2 K^2 / 4m} &= \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int d\mathbf{K} e^{-\beta \hbar^2 K^2 / 4m} \\
&= \frac{4\pi V}{(2\pi)^3} \int_0^{\infty} dK K^2 e^{-\beta \hbar^2 K^2 / 4m} \\
&= 2\sqrt{2} V z
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} = \sum_{\mathbf{K}, \mathbf{k}}$$

(9.113) becomes

$$\Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{BE}}(T) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{z} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left\langle \mathbf{k} \left| \left[e^{-\beta (\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \right| \mathbf{k} \right\rangle_+ \quad (9.119)$$

Similarly, (9.116) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{FD}}(T) &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{z} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left\{ 3 \left\langle \mathbf{k} \left| \left[e^{-\beta (\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \right| \mathbf{k} \right\rangle_- \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left\langle \mathbf{k} \left| \left[e^{-\beta (\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2)} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} \right] \right| \mathbf{k} \right\rangle_+ \right\} \quad (9.120)
\end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\mathbf{q}} | \mathbf{r} \rangle &= \mathbf{r} | \mathbf{r} \rangle \\
\hat{H}_{\text{rel}} &= \hat{T}_{\text{rel}} + \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2 = \frac{1}{m} \hat{\mathbf{p}}^2 + \mathcal{V}_2(\hat{\mathbf{q}}) = \frac{1}{2\mu} \hat{\mathbf{p}}^2 + \mathcal{V}_2(\hat{\mathbf{q}})
\end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{H}_{\text{rel}} | E_n \rangle &= E_n | E_n \rangle \\
\rightarrow -\frac{\hbar^2}{m} \nabla^2 \psi_n(\mathbf{r}) + \mathcal{V}_2(\mathbf{r}) \psi_n(\mathbf{r}) &= E_n \psi_n(\mathbf{r}) \quad \psi_n(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \mathbf{r} | E_n \rangle \quad (9.121)
\end{aligned}$$

Note that n represents the complete set of quantum numbers necessary to specify the eigenstate.

The eigenstates $| E_n \rangle$ are orthonormal & complete:

$$\langle E_m | E_n \rangle = \delta_{mn} \quad \sum_n | E_n \rangle \langle E_n | = I \quad (9.121a)$$

Reminder: for \mathcal{V}_2 attractive and finite-ranged, E_n contains both discrete ($E < 0$) and continuous ($E > 0$) parts.

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{T}_{\text{rel}} | E_k^0 \rangle &= (\hat{H}_{\text{rel}})_{\mathcal{V}_2=0} | E_k^0 \rangle = E_k^0 | E_k^0 \rangle & (9.121b) \\ \rightarrow -\frac{\hbar^2}{m} \nabla^2 \psi_k^0(\mathbf{r}) &= E_k^0 \psi_k^0(\mathbf{r}) & \psi_k^0(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \mathbf{r} | E_k^0 \rangle \\ \langle E_k^0 | E_{k'}^0 \rangle &= \delta_{kk'} & \sum_k | E_k^0 \rangle \langle E_k^0 | = I \end{aligned}$$

Note: as a kinetic energy, $E_k^0 \geq 0$.

In the r -representation, (9.119) becomes

$$\Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{BE}}(T) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{z} \int d\mathbf{r} \langle \mathbf{r} | (e^{-\beta \hat{H}_{\text{rel}}} - e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}}) | \mathbf{r} \rangle_+$$

where

$$| \mathbf{r} \rangle_{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (| \mathbf{r} \rangle \pm | -\mathbf{r} \rangle) \quad (9.121c)$$

With the help of (9.121a), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{BE}}(T) &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{z} \int d\mathbf{r} \left[\sum_{m,n} \langle \mathbf{r} | E_m \rangle \langle E_m | e^{-\beta \hat{H}_{\text{rel}}} | E_n \rangle \langle E_n | \mathbf{r} \rangle_+ \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_{k,k'} \langle \mathbf{r} | E_k^0 \rangle \langle E_k^0 | e^{-\beta \hat{T}_{\text{rel}}} | E_{k'}^0 \rangle \langle E_{k'}^0 | \mathbf{r} \rangle_+ \right] \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{z} \int d\mathbf{r} \left(\sum_{m,n} \psi_m^{(+)}(\mathbf{r}) e^{-\beta E_m} \delta_{mn} \psi_n^{(+)*}(\mathbf{r}) - \sum_{k,k'} \psi_k^{0(+)}(\mathbf{r}) e^{-\beta E_k^0} \delta_{kk'} \psi_{k'}^{0(+)*}(\mathbf{r}) \right) \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{z} \int d\mathbf{r} \left(\sum_n |\psi_n^{(+)}(\mathbf{r})|^2 e^{-\beta E_n} - \sum_k |\psi_k^{0(+)}(\mathbf{r})|^2 e^{-\beta E_k^0} \right) \quad (9.122) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\psi_n^{(\pm)}(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \mathbf{r} | E_n \rangle \quad \psi_k^{0(\pm)}(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \mathbf{r} | E_k^0 \rangle$$

Similarly, (9.120) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{FD}}(T) &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{z} \int d\mathbf{r} \left\{ 3 \left(\sum_n |\psi_n^{(-)}(\mathbf{r})|^2 e^{-\beta E_n} - \sum_k |\psi_k^{0(-)}(\mathbf{r})|^2 e^{-\beta E_k^0} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_n |\psi_n^{(+)}(\mathbf{r})|^2 e^{-\beta E_n} - \sum_k |\psi_k^{0(+)}(\mathbf{r})|^2 e^{-\beta E_k^0} \right\} \quad (9.123) \end{aligned}$$

For \mathcal{V}_2 a central potential, $\mathcal{V}_2(\mathbf{r}) = \mathcal{V}_2(r)$, we have [see any QM textbook]

$$\psi_n(\mathbf{r}) = \psi_{n,l,m}(\mathbf{r}) = R_{n,l}(r) Y_{l,m}(\theta, \phi) \quad (9.124)$$

where $Y_{l,m}$ are the spherical harmonics with

$$l = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \quad m = -l, \dots, l$$

and orthonormality

$$\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_{-1}^1 d\cos\theta Y_{l',m'}^*(\theta, \phi) Y_{l,m}(\theta, \phi) = \delta_{l'l} \delta_{m'm} \quad (9.129)$$

$R_{n,l}$ satisfies the radial Schrodinger equations

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{m} \frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (r R_{n,l}) + \frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{mr} R_{n,l} + \mathcal{V}_2 R_{n,l} = E_{n,l} R_{n,l} \quad \text{for } E_{n,l} \leq 0 \quad (9.125)$$

and

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{m} \frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (r R_{kl}) + \frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{mr} R_{kl} + \mathcal{V}_2 R_{kl} = E_k R_{kl} \quad \text{for} \quad E_k = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{m} \geq 0 \quad (9.125a)$$

In general, E_{n_l} represents bound states with a discrete spectrum, while E_k represents scattering states with a continuous spectrum. For convenience, we shall assume R_{n_l} & E_{n_l} include both cases.

If \mathcal{V}_2 is repulsive, there are no bound states and only (9.125a) is required. But if \mathcal{V}_2 is attractive, both (9.125) & (9.125a) are needed.

We shall assume orthonormality

$$\int_0^\infty dr r^2 R_{n_l}^*(r) R_{n'_l}(r) = \delta_{nn'} \delta_{ll'} \quad (9.125a)$$

$$\int_0^\infty dr r^2 R_{k_l}^*(r) R_{k'_l}(r) = \frac{1}{\rho_l(k)} \delta(k-k') \delta_{ll'} \quad (9.125b)$$

where $\rho_l(k)$ is the density of state satisfying

$$\sum_k = \int dk \rho_l(k) \rightarrow \sum_k \delta_{kk'} = \int dk \rho_l(k) \delta_{kk'} = \int dk \delta(k-k') = 1$$

so that

$$\int d\mathbf{r} \psi_{n_l m}^*(\mathbf{r}) \psi_{n'_l m'}(\mathbf{r}) = \delta_{nn'} \delta_{ll'} \delta_{mm'} \quad (9.125c)$$

$$\int d\mathbf{r} \psi_{k_l m}^*(\mathbf{r}) \psi_{k'_l m'}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\rho_l(k)} \delta(k-k') \delta_{ll'} \delta_{mm'} \quad (9.125d)$$

Note that

$$E_n = E_{n_l m} = E_{n_l}$$

is $(2l+1)$ -fold degenerated and we have assumed that $\rho_l(k)$ is independent of m .

Now,

$$\mathbf{r} = (r, \theta, \phi) \quad \rightarrow \quad -\mathbf{r} = (r, \pi - \theta, \pi + \phi)$$

By definition,

$$Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) = C_{lm} P_l^m(\cos\theta) e^{im\phi}$$

$$P_l^m(x) = c_{lm} (1-x^2)^{m/2} \frac{d^{l+m}}{dx^{l+m}} (x^2-1)^l$$

where C_{lm} & c_{lm} are normalization constants. Using

$$\cos(\pi - \theta) = -\cos \theta \quad e^{im\pi} = (-)^m$$

we have

$$P_l^m(-x) = (-)^{l+m} P_l^m(x)$$

$$Y_{lm}(\pi - \theta, \pi + \phi) = (-)^l Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

(9.124) then gives

$$\psi_{n_l m}(-\mathbf{r}) = (-)^l R_{n_l}(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) \quad (9.126a)$$

so that

$$\psi_{n_l m}^{(\pm)}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ \psi_{n_l m}(\mathbf{r}) \pm \psi_{n_l m}(-\mathbf{r}) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [1 \pm (-)^l] R_{n_l}(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [1 \pm (-)^l] \psi_{n/l/m}(\mathbf{r}) \quad (9.126b)$$

Similarly,

$$\psi_{k/l/m}^{(\pm)}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [1 \pm (-)^l] \psi_{k/l/m}(\mathbf{r}) \quad (9.126c)$$

For the bound states, the sums in (9.122-3) have the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \int d\mathbf{r} \sum_n |\psi_n^{(\pm)}(\mathbf{r})|^2 e^{-\beta E_n} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \sum_{m=-l}^l \frac{1}{2} [1 \pm (-)^l]^2 \int d\mathbf{r} |\psi_{n/l/m}(\mathbf{r})|^2 e^{-\beta E_{n/l}} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{2} [1 \pm (-)^l]^2 e^{-\beta E_{n/l}} \quad [(9.125b) \text{ used. }] \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \frac{2l+1}{2} [1 \pm (-)^l]^2 e^{-\beta E_{n/l}} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{l=\text{even}}^{n-1} \right) 2(2l+1) e^{-\beta E_{n/l}} \\ &= 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{l_M} \left(\begin{array}{l} (4l+1) e^{-\beta E_{n,2l}} \\ (4l+3) e^{-\beta E_{n,2l+1}} \end{array} \right) \quad \text{with} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} 2l_M < n \\ 2l_M + 1 < n \end{array} \right) \\ &= 2 \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left(\begin{array}{l} (4l+1) \sum_{n=2l+1}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_{n,2l}} \\ (4l+3) \sum_{n=2l+2}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_{n,2l+1}} \end{array} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (9.127a)$$

For the scattering states,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int d\mathbf{r} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l \int_0^{\infty} dk \rho_l(k) |\psi_{k/l/m}^{(\pm)}(\mathbf{r})|^2 e^{-\beta E_k} \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{2l+1}{2} [1 \pm (-)^l]^2 \int_0^{\infty} dk \rho_l(k) e^{-\beta E_k} \\ &= \left(\begin{array}{l} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} 2(4l+1) \int_0^{\infty} dk \rho_{2l}(k) e^{-\beta E_k} \\ \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} 2(4l+3) \int_0^{\infty} dk \rho_{2l+1}(k) e^{-\beta E_k} \end{array} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (9.127b)$$

For $\hat{T}_{\text{rel}} = \hat{H}_{\text{rel}}|_{V_2=0}$, only scattering states exist and we have

$$\psi_n^0(\mathbf{r}) = \psi_{k/l/m}^0(\mathbf{r}) = R_{n/l}^0(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

with

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{m} \frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} (r R_{k/l}^0) + \frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{mr} R_{k/l}^0 = E_k R_{k/l}^0 \quad (9.127c)$$

The analog of (9.127b) is

$$\int d\mathbf{r} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l \int_0^{\infty} dk \rho_l^0(k) |\psi_{k/l/m}^{0(\pm)}(\mathbf{r})|^2 e^{-\beta E_k}$$

$$= \left(\begin{array}{l} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} 2(4l+1) \int_0^{\infty} dk \rho_{2,l}^0(k) e^{-\beta E_k} \\ \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} 2(4l+3) \int_0^{\infty} dk \rho_{2,l+1}^0(k) e^{-\beta E_k} \end{array} \right) \quad (9.127d)$$

(9.122) thus becomes

$$\Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{BE}}(T) = -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{z} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (4l+1) \left(\sum_{n=2l+1}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_{n,2l}} + \int_0^{\infty} dk [\rho_{2,l}(k) - \rho_{2,l}^0(k)] e^{-\beta E_k} \right) \quad (9.130)$$

Similarly, (9.123) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{FD}}(T) = -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{z} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left\{ 3(4l+3) \left(\sum_{n=2l+2}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_{n,2l+1}} + \int_0^{\infty} dk [\rho_{2,l+1}(k) - \rho_{2,l+1}^0(k)] e^{-\beta E_k} \right) \right. \\ \left. + (4l+1) \left(\sum_{n=2l+1}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_{n,2l}} + \int_0^{\infty} dk [\rho_{2,l}(k) - \rho_{2,l}^0(k)] e^{-\beta E_k} \right) \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (9.131)$$

Now, $R_{k,l}^0(r)$ is just the radial part of a plane wave in spherical coordinates. Therefore

$$R_{k,l}^0(r) = C_{k,l} j_l(kr) \quad \text{where} \quad E_k = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2\mu} = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{m}$$

$C_{k,l}$ is a normalization constant and j_l is the spherical Bessel function. Note that $R_{k,l}^0(r)$ does not contain the other solution to (9.127c), namely, the spherical Neumann function n_l , because n_l is singular at $r=0$.

Let \mathcal{V}_2 be an interaction of finite range R . Then

$$R_{k,l}(r) = A_{k,l} j_l(kr) + B_{k,l} n_l(kr) \quad \text{for} \quad r > R \quad \& \quad E_k = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{m} \geq 0$$

Note that n_l is required here for completeness since $r \neq 0$.

The constants $A_{k,l}$ & $B_{k,l}$ can be written as

$$A_{k,l} = C_{k,l} \cos \delta_{k,l} \quad B_{k,l} = C_{k,l} \sin \delta_{k,l}$$

so that

$$R_{k,l}(r) = C_{k,l} \left[\cos \delta_{k,l} j_l(kr) + \sin \delta_{k,l} n_l(kr) \right] \quad (9.132)$$

Using

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} j_l(x) = \frac{1}{x} \sin\left(x - l \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} n_l(x) = -\frac{1}{x} \cos\left(x - l \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

(9.132) gives

$$\begin{aligned} R_{k,l}(r) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{C_{k,l}}{kr} \left[\cos \delta_{k,l} \sin\left(kr - l \frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \sin \delta_{k,l} \cos\left(kr - l \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \right] \\ = \frac{C_{k,l}}{kr} \sin\left(kr - l \frac{\pi}{2} - \delta_{k,l}\right) \quad r \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned} \quad (9.133)$$

Comparing with

$$R_{k,l}^0(r) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{C_{k,l}}{kr} \sin\left(kr - l \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad (9.133a)$$

we see that $\delta_{k,l}$ is just the **phase shift** caused by \mathcal{V}_2 .

To find the density of states $\rho(k)$, we discretize the spectrum by introducing the boundary condition

$$R_{k,l}(r_M) = R_{k,l}^0(r_M) = 0$$

where $r_M \gg R$ is assumed to be large enough for both (9.133) & (9.133a) to hold for $r = r_M$. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for } R_{kl}, k r_M - l \frac{\pi}{2} - \delta_{kl} &= n \pi & n = \text{integer} \\ \text{for } R_{kl}^0, k r_M - l \frac{\pi}{2} &= n \pi \end{aligned}$$

Since a state is added if $\Delta n = 1$, the density of states is given by

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \rho(k) \Delta k \Big|_{\Delta n=1} \\ \rightarrow \rho(k) &= \frac{1}{\Delta k} \Big|_{\Delta n=1} = \frac{\Delta n}{\Delta k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{For } R_{kl}, \quad r_M \Delta k - \Delta \delta_{kl} = \pi \Delta n \rightarrow \rho_l(k) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(r_M - \frac{\Delta \delta_{kl}}{\Delta k} \right)$$

$$\text{For } R_{kl}^0, \quad r_M \Delta k = \pi \Delta n \rightarrow \rho_l^0(k) = \frac{r_M}{\pi}$$

(9.130-1) thus become

$$\Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{BE}}(T) = -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{z} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (4l+1) \left(\sum_{n=2l+1}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_{n,2l}} - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dk}{\pi} \frac{d\delta_{2l}(k)}{dk} e^{-\beta E_k} \right) \quad (9.137)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \mathcal{B}_2^{\text{FD}}(T) &= -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{z} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left\{ 3(4l+3) \left(\sum_{n=2l+2}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_{n,2l+1}} - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dk}{\pi} \frac{d\delta_{2l+1}(k)}{dk} e^{-\beta E_k} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (4l+1) \left(\sum_{n=2l+1}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_{n,2l}} - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dk}{\pi} \frac{d\delta_{2l}(k)}{dk} e^{-\beta E_k} \right) \right\} \quad (9.138) \end{aligned}$$

Ex. 9.4

Compute the 2nd virial coefficient $\mathcal{B}_2^0(T)$ for an ideal Fermi-Dirac gas of spin $\frac{1}{2}$ particles.

Answer

Combining (9.46) & (9.108), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}_2(T) &= -\tilde{b}_2(T) = \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1}{2! V} \text{Tr} \hat{U}_2(\beta) \\ &= \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1}{2! V} \left\{ \text{Tr} \hat{W}_2 - (\text{Tr} \hat{W}_1)^2 \right\} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

From (9.101), we get, for free particles,

$$\hat{W}_1(\beta) = \frac{1}{z} \exp(-\beta \hat{T}) \quad \hat{W}_2(\beta) = \frac{2}{z^2} \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] \quad (1a)$$

where

$$\hat{T}_j = \frac{1}{2m} \hat{\mathbf{p}}_j^2$$

is the kinetic energy operator of the j^{th} particle.

The trace of \hat{T} can be easily calculated in the momentum basis. For spin $\frac{1}{2}$ particles,

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Tr } \hat{W}_1 &= \frac{1}{z} \text{Tr} \exp(-\beta \hat{T}) \\
&= \frac{1}{z} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{s=\pm 1} \langle \mathbf{k}, s | \exp(-\beta \hat{T}) | \mathbf{k}, s \rangle \\
&= \frac{2}{z} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k^2}{2m}\right) \\
&= \frac{2V}{z(2\pi)^3} 4\pi \int_0^\infty dk k^2 \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k^2}{2m}\right) \\
&= 2V
\end{aligned}$$

For fermions, the N -particle states must be anti-symmetrized. Thus, for $N=2$,

$$| \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' \rangle_a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (| \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' \rangle - | \mathbf{k}', s'; \mathbf{k}, s \rangle)$$

where $| \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' \rangle$ means particle 1 & 2 are in states $| \mathbf{k}, s \rangle$ & $| \mathbf{k}', s' \rangle$, respectively.

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Tr } \hat{W}_2 &= \frac{2}{z^2} \text{Tr} \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] \\
&= \frac{1}{z^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \sum_{s, s'=\pm 1} \langle \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' \rangle_a \\
&= \frac{1}{2z^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \sum_{s, s'=\pm 1} \left\{ \langle \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' \rangle \right. \\
&\quad - \langle \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}', s'; \mathbf{k}, s \rangle \\
&\quad - \langle \mathbf{k}', s'; \mathbf{k}, s | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' \rangle \\
&\quad \left. + \langle \mathbf{k}', s'; \mathbf{k}, s | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}', s'; \mathbf{k}, s \rangle \right\} \\
&= \frac{1}{z^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \sum_{s, s'=\pm 1} \left\{ \langle \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' \rangle \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \langle \mathbf{k}, s; \mathbf{k}', s' | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}', s'; \mathbf{k}, s \rangle \right\} \tag{3a}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{z^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \sum_{s, s'=\pm 1} \left[\langle \mathbf{k}, s | e^{-\beta \hat{T}} | \mathbf{k}, s \rangle \langle \mathbf{k}', s' | e^{-\beta \hat{T}} | \mathbf{k}', s' \rangle \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \langle \mathbf{k}, s | e^{-\beta \hat{T}} | \mathbf{k}', s' \rangle \langle \mathbf{k}', s' | e^{-\beta \hat{T}} | \mathbf{k}, s \rangle \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{z^2} \left[2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k^2}{2m}\right) 2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k'^2}{2m}\right) - 2 \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k^2}{m}\right) \right] \\
&= 4V^2 - \frac{4}{z^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k^2}{m}\right) \\
&= 4V^2 - \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}z} \tag{3b}
\end{aligned}$$

(1) thus becomes

$$\mathcal{B}_2(T) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}z} = \frac{\lambda_T^3}{2\sqrt{2}} \tag{4}$$

(4) gives the effects of the (Fermi-Dirac) statistics. Since it is positive, it increases the pressure of the gas [see (9.43)].

Ex. 9.5

Compute the 2nd virial coefficient $\mathcal{B}_2^0(T)$ for a dilute gas of hard sphere spin-0 bosons at low temperature.

Answer

For hard spheres of core radius a (or sphere radius $a/2$),

$$R_{n,l}(r) = 0 \quad \forall r \leq a$$

(9.132) gives

$$0 = C_{kl} \left[\cos \delta_{kl} j_l(ka) + \sin \delta_{kl} n_l(ka) \right]$$

$$\rightarrow \tan \delta_{kl} = -\frac{j_l(ka)}{n_l(ka)} \quad (1)$$

At low temperatures, $ka \ll 1$, and we have [see Arfken]

$$j_l(x) \approx \frac{2^l l!}{(2l+1)!} x^l \quad n_l(ka) \approx -\frac{(2l)!}{2^l l!} x^{-l-1} = -(2l-1)!! x^{-l-1}$$

$$\rightarrow \tan \delta_{kl} \approx \frac{2^l l!}{(2l+1)! (2l-1)!!} (ka)^{2l+1}$$

$$= \frac{(2l)!}{(2l+1)! [(2l-1)!!]^2} (ka)^{2l+1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2l+1) [(2l-1)!!]^2} (ka)^{2l+1} \quad (2)$$

Thus, the $l=0$ term dominates, giving

$$\tan \delta_{k0} \approx ka \quad \rightarrow \quad \delta_{k0} \approx ka$$

$$\therefore \frac{d\delta_0(k)}{dk} = a$$

Hard sphere potential is repulsive so that there are no bound states. Hence, (9.137) becomes

$$\Delta \mathcal{B}_2(T) \approx \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{z} \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{\pi} a e^{-\beta E_k} \quad E_k = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{m}$$

$$= \frac{2a}{z^{2/3}} \quad (3)$$

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{B}_2(T) \approx \mathcal{B}_2^0(T) + \frac{2a}{z^{2/3}} \quad (3a)$$

$\mathcal{B}_2^0(T)$ can be calculated as follows [cf. Ex.9.4]

$$\mathcal{B}_2^0(T) = \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-1}{2! V} \left\{ \text{Tr} \hat{W}_2 - (\text{Tr} \hat{W}_1)^2 \right\}$$

$$\text{Tr} \hat{W}_1 = \frac{1}{z} \text{Tr} \exp(-\beta \hat{T})$$

$$= \frac{1}{z} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \langle \mathbf{k} | \exp(-\beta \hat{T}) | \mathbf{k} \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{z} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k^2}{2m}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{V}{z(2\pi)^3} 4\pi \int_0^\infty dk k^2 \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k^2}{2m}\right) \\
&= V
\end{aligned}$$

For bosons, the N -particle states must be symmetrized. Thus, for $N=2$,

$$| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle_s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle + | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle)$$

where $| \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle$ means particle 1 & 2 are in states $| \mathbf{k} \rangle$ & $| \mathbf{k}' \rangle$, respectively.

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Tr } \hat{W}_2 &= \frac{2}{z^2} \text{Tr} \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] \\
&= \frac{1}{z^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle_s \\
&= \frac{1}{2z^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \left\{ \langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle \right. \\
&\quad + \langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle \\
&\quad + \langle \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle \\
&\quad \left. + \langle \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle \right\} \\
&= \frac{1}{z^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \left\{ \langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \rangle \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' | \exp[-\beta(\hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2)] | \mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k} \rangle \right\} \\
&= \frac{1}{z^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'} \left[\langle \mathbf{k} | e^{-\beta \hat{T}} | \mathbf{k} \rangle \langle \mathbf{k}' | e^{-\beta \hat{T}} | \mathbf{k}' \rangle \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \langle \mathbf{k} | e^{-\beta \hat{T}} | \mathbf{k}' \rangle \langle \mathbf{k}' | e^{-\beta \hat{T}} | \mathbf{k} \rangle \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{z^2} \left[\sum_{\mathbf{k}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k^2}{2m}\right) \sum_{\mathbf{k}'} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k'^2}{2m}\right) + \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k^2}{m}\right) \right] \\
&= V^2 + \frac{1}{z^2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta \hbar^2 k^2}{m}\right) \\
&= V^2 + \frac{V}{2\sqrt{2} z} \\
\therefore \mathcal{B}_2^0(T) &= -\frac{1}{2^{5/2} z}
\end{aligned}$$

(3a) thus becomes

$$\mathcal{B}_2(T) \approx -\frac{1}{2^{5/2} z} + \frac{2a}{z^{2/3}} \quad (4)$$

The 1st term on the R.H.S. of (4) is due to (Bose-Einstein) statistics. Since it's negative, it lowers $\mathcal{B}_2(T)$ and hence the pressure [see (9.43)].

The 2nd term is due to the hard-core potential. Since it's positive, it raises $\mathcal{B}_2(T)$ and hence the pressure.

Code

(* Tr W₁ *)

$$2 \frac{V}{z (2\pi)^3} 4\pi \int_0^\infty k^2 \text{Exp}[-a k^2] dk /. \{a \rightarrow \beta \hbar^2 / (2m), z \rightarrow \left(2\pi \hbar \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{2\pi m}}\right)^{-3}\} // \text{PowerExpand}$$

$$\text{ConditionalExpression}[2V, \text{Re}\left[\frac{\beta \hbar^2}{m}\right] > 0]$$

$$2 \frac{V}{z (2\pi)^3} 4\pi \int_0^\infty k^2 \text{Exp}[-a k^2] dk /. \{a \rightarrow \beta \hbar^2 / m, z \rightarrow \left(2\pi \hbar \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{2\pi m}}\right)^{-3}\} // \text{PowerExpand}$$

$$\text{ConditionalExpression}\left[\frac{V}{\sqrt{2}}, \text{Re}\left[\frac{\beta \hbar^2}{m}\right] > 0\right]$$

$$\frac{V}{z (2\pi)^3} 4\pi \int_0^\infty k^2 \text{Exp}[-a k^2] dk /. \{a \rightarrow \beta \hbar^2 / (4m), z \rightarrow \left(2\pi \hbar \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{2\pi m}}\right)^{-3}\} // \text{PowerExpand}$$

$$\text{ConditionalExpression}[2\sqrt{2}V, \text{Re}\left[\frac{\beta \hbar^2}{m}\right] > 0]$$

$$\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{z\pi} a \int_0^\infty \text{Exp}[-b k^2] dk /. \{b \rightarrow \beta \hbar^2 / m, z \rightarrow \left(2\pi \hbar \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{2\pi m}}\right)^{-3}\} // \text{PowerExpand}$$

$$\text{ConditionalExpression}\left[\frac{4a\pi\beta\hbar^2}{m}, \text{Re}\left[\frac{\beta \hbar^2}{m}\right] > 0\right]$$

$$\text{In}[6]:= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{z\pi} a \int_0^\infty \text{Exp}[-b k^2] dk /. \{b \rightarrow \beta \hbar^2 / m, \beta \rightarrow 2\pi m z^{-2/3} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi \hbar}\right)^2\} // \text{PowerExpand}$$

$$\text{Out}[6]= \text{ConditionalExpression}\left[\frac{2a}{z^{2/3}}, \frac{\text{Re}\left[\frac{1}{z^{2/3}}\right]}{\pi} > 0\right]$$