

PHYSICS 210A : EQUILIBRIUM STATISTICAL PHYSICS
HW ASSIGNMENT #3

(1) For an ideal gas, find the difference $C_\varphi - C_V$ for the following functions φ . You are to assume N is fixed in each case.

(a) $\varphi(p, V) = p^3 V^2$

(b) $\varphi(p, T) = p e^{T/T_0}$

(c) $\varphi(T, V) = VT^{-1}$

(2) Consider a thermodynamic system for which $E(S, V, N) = aS^4/NV^2$.

(a) Find the equation of state $p = p(T, V, N)$.

(b) Find the equation of state $\mu = \mu(T, p)$.

(c) ν moles of this substance are taken through a Joule-Brayton cycle (see §2.6.7 of the Lecture Notes). The upper isobar lies at $p = p_2$ and extends from volume V_A to V_B . The lower isobar lies at $p = p_1$. Find the volumes V_C and V_D .

(d) Find the work done per cycle W_{cyc} , the heat Q_{AB} , and the cycle efficiency.

(3) Show that

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial T}\right)_{S, N} = \frac{C_p}{NT\alpha_p} - \frac{S}{N} \quad .$$

(3) A solution of 4.00 g of hemoglobin in 100 mL of water was prepared and its osmotic pressure was measured to be $\pi = 0.0130$ atm at $T = 280$ K. Estimate the molecular mass of hemoglobin.