

Solution to written exam in QUANTUM PHYSICS AND STATISTICAL PHYSICS
MTF131

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1. The eigenfunctions of the infinite square well in one dimension are (Here a solution of the S.E. in one dimension is adequate)

$$\psi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{a} \quad \text{and the eigenenergies are } E_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2} \quad \text{where } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

In two dimensions the eigenfunctions and eigenenergies are (Here an argument about separation of variables is needed)

$$\Psi_{n,m}(x, y) = \psi_n(x) \cdot \psi_m(y) \quad \text{and eigenenergies } E_{n,m} = E_n + E_m \quad \text{where } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \text{ and } m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

a) The eigenfunctions inside the square

$$\Psi_{n,m}(x, y) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{a} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{m\pi y}{a} \quad \text{where } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \text{ and } m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

The eigenfunctions outside the square $\Psi_{n,m}(x, y) = 0$

b) The four lowest eigenenergies are

$$E_{n,m} = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2} (n^2 + m^2), \quad \text{where the 4 lowest are } (n^2 + m^2) = 2, 5, 8, \text{ and } 10.$$

c) The four lowest eigenenergies have degeneracies (either one or two) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} E_{1,1} &= \text{one state } (n^2 + m^2 = 2) \\ E_{1,2} &= E_{2,1} = \text{two states } (n^2 + m^2 = 5) \\ E_{2,2} &= \text{one state } (n^2 + m^2 = 8) \\ E_{1,3} &= E_{3,1} = \text{two states } (n^2 + m^2 = 10) \end{aligned}$$

2. The proton has 2 possible spin directions - and + with energies $-Bm_\mu$ and $+Bm_\mu$. The partition function for a proton in the magnetic field B is

$$Z = e^{Bm_\mu/\tau} + e^{-Bm_\mu/\tau}.$$

The probability for a proton to be in the - direction (or state) is given by

$$P(-Bm_\mu) = \frac{e^{Bm_\mu/\tau}}{e^{Bm_\mu/\tau} + e^{-Bm_\mu/\tau}}.$$

and similar for the + direction. As there are N protons the number of protons in the - direction will be $N_- = NP(-Bm_\mu)$ and in the + direction $N_+ = NP(+Bm_\mu)$. The absorbed power is proportional to the difference in the number of protons in the + state to the number in the - state, Power $\propto N_+ - N_- = N(P(+Bm_\mu) - P(-Bm_\mu))$.

$$N_- - N_+ = N \frac{e^{Bm_\mu/\tau} - e^{-Bm_\mu/\tau}}{e^{Bm_\mu/\tau} + e^{-Bm_\mu/\tau}} = N \tanh(e^{Bm_\mu/\tau})$$

In the high temperature limit ($Bm_\mu \ll \tau$) we have

$$N_- - N_+ = N \tanh(e^{Bm_\mu/\tau}) \approx N \frac{Bm_\mu}{\tau}$$

3. Rewrite the wave function in terms of spherical harmonics:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(\mathbf{r}) &= \psi(x, y, z) = N(xy + yz + zx)e^{-\alpha r} = \\ &= Nr^2 e^{-\alpha r} \left(\frac{1}{4i} \sqrt{\frac{32\pi}{15}} (Y_{2,2} - Y_{2,-2}) + \frac{1-i}{2} \sqrt{\frac{8\pi}{15}} (Y_{2,1} + \frac{1+i}{2} \sqrt{\frac{8\pi}{15}} (Y_{2,-1})) \right) \end{aligned}$$

As all the $Y_{l,m}$ have $l = 2$ the probability to get $\mathbf{L}^2 = 2(2+1)\hbar^2 = 6\hbar^2$ is one. For L_z we must first normalize the coefficients in front of the $Y_{l,m}$. The sum of the squares of the coefficients is $\frac{12\pi}{15}$ and hence we get the following expression: (Note this last step is not necessary but convenient otherwise I would have to keep track of sum of squared coefficients)

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) = Nr^2 e^{-\alpha r} \sqrt{\frac{12\pi}{15}} \left(\frac{1}{4i} \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} (Y_{2,2} - Y_{2,-2}) + \frac{i-1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} Y_{2,1} + \frac{1+i}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} Y_{2,-1} \right)$$

The probability to get $m = 2$ is $|\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}|^2 = \frac{1}{6}$, for $m = 1$ is $|\frac{1-i}{2}\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|^2 = \frac{1}{3}$, for $m = 0$ is $= 0$ for $m = -1$ is $|\frac{1+i}{2}\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|^2 = \frac{1}{3}$, and for $m = -2$ is $|\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}|^2 = \frac{1}{6}$,

The expectation value $\langle L^2 \rangle = 6\hbar^2$ and for $\langle L_z \rangle = 2\frac{1}{6} + 1\frac{1}{3} + 0 - 1\frac{1}{3} - 2\frac{1}{6} = 0\hbar$.

4. 2 particles A and B, 3 states with energy 0, ϵ and 2ϵ

a) Classical

state	0	ϵ	2ϵ	energy
1	AB	-	-	0
2	-	AB	-	2ϵ
3	-	-	AB	4ϵ
4	A	B	-	ϵ
5	B	A	-	ϵ
6	A	-	B	2ϵ
7	B	-	A	2ϵ
8	-	A	B	3ϵ
9	-	B	A	3ϵ

and $Z = 1 + 2e^{-\epsilon/\tau} + 3e^{-2\epsilon/\tau} + 2e^{-3\epsilon/\tau} + e^{-4\epsilon/\tau}$

b) Bosons

state	0	ϵ	2ϵ	energy
1	AA	-	-	0
2	-	AA	-	2ϵ
3	-	-	AA	4ϵ
4	A	A	-	ϵ
6	A	-	A	2ϵ
8	-	A	A	3ϵ

and $Z = 1 + e^{-\epsilon/\tau} + 2e^{-2\epsilon/\tau} + e^{-3\epsilon/\tau} + e^{-4\epsilon/\tau}$

c) Fermions

state	0	ϵ	2ϵ	energy
4	A	A	-	ϵ
6	A	-	A	2ϵ
8	-	A	A	3ϵ

and $Z = e^{-\epsilon/\tau} + e^{-2\epsilon/\tau} + e^{-3\epsilon/\tau}$

5. $Z = (Z_1)^N$ eftersom de är oberoende och särskiljbara. $Z_1 = \sum_{n=0,2,4,\dots} e^{-(n+\frac{1}{2})\hbar\omega/\tau} = [\text{bryt ut } e^{-\hbar\omega/2\tau}, \text{ geometrisk serie med faktorn } e^{-2\hbar\omega/\tau}] = e^{\hbar\omega/2\tau} \cdot \frac{1}{1-e^{-2\hbar\omega/\tau}}$. Tillståndssumman ges av $Z = \left(e^{-\hbar\omega/2\tau} \cdot \frac{1}{1-e^{-2\hbar\omega/\tau}} \right)^N$. Fria energin ges i sin tur av

$$F = -N\tau \ln \left(e^{-\hbar\omega/2\tau} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2\hbar\omega/\tau}} \right) = \frac{N\hbar\omega}{2} + N\tau \ln \left(1 - e^{-2\hbar\omega/\tau} \right). \text{ Entropin ges av}$$

$$\sigma = - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \tau} \right)_V = -N \ln \left(1 - e^{-2\hbar\omega/\tau} \right) + \frac{2N\hbar\omega}{\tau} \frac{e^{-2\hbar\omega/\tau}}{1 - e^{-2\hbar\omega/\tau}} \text{ och s\u00e5ledes ges v\u00e4rme kapacitiviteten}$$

$$\text{av } C_v = \tau \left(\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial \tau} \right)_V = \frac{2N\hbar\omega}{\tau^2} \frac{1}{e^{2\hbar\omega/\tau} - 1} - \frac{2N\hbar\omega}{\tau^2} \frac{1}{e^{2\hbar\omega/\tau} - 1} + \frac{4N\hbar^2\omega^2}{\tau^2} \frac{e^{2\hbar\omega/\tau}}{(e^{2\hbar\omega/\tau} - 1)^2} = \frac{4N\hbar^2\omega^2}{\tau^2} \frac{e^{2\hbar\omega/\tau}}{(e^{2\hbar\omega/\tau} - 1)^2}$$

Systemet blir mer kvantmekanisk med urvalsregeln ty energin f\u00f6r l\u00e4gsta excitationen blir dubbelt s\u00e5 h\u00f6g och d\u00e4rmed kr\u00e4vs ocks\u00e5 dubbelt s\u00e5 h\u00f6g temperatur (se Boltzmann faktorn) f\u00f6r att excitera detta tillst\u00e5nd i motsvarande grad som f\u00f6r systemet utan restriktioner.