

Finite temperature (Sommerfeld) expansions in general & for energy, free energy, & entropy of indep. e⁻ systems

We are interested in expanding about T=0 integrals like

$$G(T) = \int dk g(\epsilon_k) f_{\beta}(\epsilon_k)$$

where g is some smooth function and

$$f_{\beta}(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\beta(\epsilon - \mu)}}, \quad \beta = 1/T$$

μ ~~is~~ chosen to fix N

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta \mu} &= - \frac{e^{\beta(\epsilon - \mu)}}{(1 + e^{\beta(\epsilon - \mu)})^2} (\epsilon - \mu) \\ &= \frac{-(\epsilon - \mu)}{\left(e^{\frac{\beta}{2}(\epsilon - \mu)} + e^{-\frac{\beta}{2}(\epsilon - \mu)} \right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

clearly symmetric denominator

Also, $\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} = -T^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial T}$ is a useful rule.

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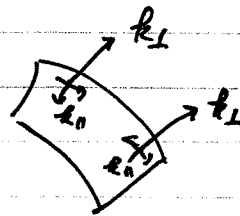
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial G}{\partial T} &= \int dk g(\epsilon_k) \frac{\partial f(\epsilon_k)}{\partial T} \\ &= -T^2 \int dk g(\epsilon_k) \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta} \\ &= + \frac{1}{T^2} \int dk g(\epsilon_k) \frac{(\epsilon_k - \mu)}{\left(e^{x/2} + e^{-x/2} \right)^2} \quad x \equiv \beta(\epsilon - \mu) \end{aligned}$$

We can change integral dk to over k_⊥ to constant energy surface & k_∥ in the surface:

$\epsilon_k = \epsilon_{k_{\perp}}$ clearly

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial T} = + \frac{1}{T^2} \int dk_{\parallel} dk_{\perp} g(\epsilon_{k_{\perp}}) \frac{(\epsilon_{k_{\perp}} - \mu)}{\left(e^{x/2} + e^{-x/2} \right)^2}$$

$$= + \frac{1}{T^2} \int \frac{d\epsilon dk_{\parallel}}{|\nabla \epsilon|} g(\epsilon) \frac{(\epsilon - \mu)}{\left(e^{x/2} + e^{-x/2} \right)^2}$$



$$\left| \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial k} \right| dk_{\perp} = d\epsilon$$

For each $k_{||}$, we can do $\int d\epsilon$ integral: change variables to $x = \beta(\epsilon - \mu) = \frac{\epsilon - \mu}{T}$, $\epsilon = \mu + xT$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial T} = + \frac{1}{T^2} \int dx \cdot T \cdot dk_{||} \frac{g(\mu + Tx)}{|\nabla \epsilon(\mu + Tx)|} \frac{T \cdot x}{(e^{x/2} + e^{-x/2})^2}$$

$$= + \int dx dk_{||} \frac{g(\mu + Tx) x}{|\nabla \epsilon|} \left(\right)^2$$

Taylor expanding $\frac{g}{|\nabla \epsilon|}$ about $x=0$ & using symmetry of denominator & its rapid decay gives a series of form (integrand is positive)

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial T} = \cancel{T^2} c_1 + \cancel{T^4} c_3 + O(T^5)$$

where c_1, c_3 are some constants depending on μ & other things. but not T .

So for fixed μ , we get

$$G(T, \mu) = G(0, \mu) + c_1 \cancel{T^2} + c_3 \cancel{T^4} + O(T^6)$$

Power series in T^2 !

Now μ is not free but must determine N fixed:

$$N(\mu, T) = N(\mu, 0) + n_1^{(N)} T^2 + n_3^{(N)} T^4 + O(T^6)$$

$$= N_0 \text{ for all } T$$

If we write a series for $\mu(T)$, it is easy to see that

$$\mu(T) = \mu(0) + m_2 T^2 + m_4 T^4 + O(T^6)$$

as well.

So, for fixed N , we also have

$$G(T, N) = G(0, N) + c'_1 T^2 + c'_4 T^4 + O(T^6)$$

For example, the energy has $g(\epsilon) = \epsilon$ & has such a series.

What of the entropy? ($k_B = 1$ in our units)

$$S = - \int dk \left[f(\epsilon_k) \ln f(\epsilon_k) + (1 - f(\epsilon_k)) \ln (1 - f(\epsilon_k)) \right]$$

is the entropy for any distribution $f(\epsilon)$. Why? It gives us the Fermi-Dirac!

Take $F - \mu N = E - TS - \mu N$ & optimize over occupancies only:

$$\delta F - \mu \delta N = 0 = \delta E - T \delta S - \mu \delta N = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\epsilon - T \frac{\delta S}{\delta f} - \mu) \delta f = 0$$

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta f} = -\ln f + \ln(1-f) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{f} - 1\right) \quad \checkmark$$

$$\epsilon - T \ln\left(\frac{1}{f} - 1\right) - \mu = 0 \rightarrow \ln\left(\frac{1}{f} - 1\right) = \frac{\epsilon - \mu}{T}$$

$$f = \left(1 + e^{\frac{\epsilon - \mu}{T}}\right)^{-1} \quad \checkmark$$

The entropy is not of the $g(\epsilon)$ form since its "g" depends of β & μ as well. But this is not so hard actually:

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} = + \int dk \ln\left(\frac{1}{f} - 1\right) \frac{\partial f}{\partial T} = - \frac{1}{T^2} \int dk \ln\left(\frac{1}{f} - 1\right) \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta}$$

We are interested in F-D distrib: plug in

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} = - \frac{1}{T^2} \int dk \left(\frac{\epsilon - \mu}{T}\right) \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta} = - \frac{1}{T^3} \int dk (\epsilon - \mu) \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta}$$

Now it is in previous form!

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} = \frac{1}{T^3} \int dk \frac{(\epsilon - \mu)^2}{(e^{x/2} + e^{-x/2})^2} = \frac{1}{T^3} \int dx \int dk_n \frac{T \cdot T x^2}{(e^{x/2} + e^{-x/2})^2}$$

$$= a_0 + a_2 T^2 + a_4 T^4 + o(T^6)$$

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since $S(T=0) = 0$ we can solve quickly

$$S(T) = s_1 T + s_3 T^3 + o(T^5)$$

Let $E(T) = e_0 + e_2 T^2 + e_4 T^4 + o(T^6)$

then

$$F(T) = f_0 + f_2 T^2 + f_4 T^4 + o(T^6) = E - TS$$

where

$$f_0 = e_0$$

$$f_2 = e_2 - s_1$$

$$f_4 = e_4 - s_3 \quad \text{etc.}$$

One more thing: s_1 & e_2 are not independent!

Say we consider a first order change in $F(T, N)$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta F &= \delta E - (\delta T) S - T \delta S \\ &= [\delta E - T \delta S - \mu \delta N] - S \delta T + \mu \delta N \end{aligned}$$

The term in bracket is zero for F.D. distrib! so we get the obvious $\delta F = -S \delta T + \mu \delta N$

For fixed N :

$$\left. \frac{\partial F}{\partial T} \right|_N = -S \quad (\text{duh!})$$

For our form of S' , we see that

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} = -\frac{1}{T^3} \int (\epsilon - \mu) \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta} d\epsilon = -\frac{1}{T^3} \int \epsilon \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta} d\epsilon \quad \leftarrow \text{since } N \text{ is fixed}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{T^3} \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} E = +\frac{1}{T} \frac{\partial E}{\partial T}$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial T} = \frac{1}{T} \frac{\partial E}{\partial T} \quad \text{for this entropy!}$$

applied about $T=0$, this says that

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= 2e_2 \\ 3S_3 &= 4e_4 \quad \text{etc.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{S_1 = 2e_2 \quad \text{means} \quad f_2 = -e_2}$$

So we have the extra relation

$$\frac{E(T) F(T)}{2} = e_0 + \left(\frac{e_4 + f_4}{2}\right) T^4 + O(T^6)$$

$$e_0 = E(0) = F(0)$$

A nice cancellation, but only true for our independent particle entropy & energy.

Works for any indep. particle case where

$$E = \int dk \epsilon f(\epsilon)$$

$$S = \int dk \text{Func}(f(\epsilon)) = \int dk h[f(\epsilon)]$$

extremum of $F - \mu N$ says $\frac{\delta}{\delta f}(F - \mu N) = 0$

$$\epsilon - \mu - T h'(f) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad h'(f) = \frac{\epsilon - \mu}{T}$$

is the optimal distib.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \frac{\partial S}{\partial T} &= \int dk h'(f) \frac{\partial f}{\partial T} \\ &= \int dk \left(\frac{\epsilon - \mu}{T}\right) \frac{\partial f}{\partial T} \quad \text{fixed } N = \int dk \cdot f \\ &= \frac{1}{T} \int dk \epsilon \frac{\partial f}{\partial T} \\ &= \frac{1}{T} \frac{\partial E}{\partial T} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Actually true in general!

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial T} \Big|_N = -S \quad \text{is true} \quad ; \quad \text{now } F = E - TS$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\partial E}{\partial T} - T \frac{\partial S}{\partial T} = 0 \quad \text{needed}$$

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