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Instructions:

1. Keep this exam closed until instructed to begin.
2. **Please write your name on this page but not on any other page.**
3. Please silence any noisy electronic devices you have.
4. Attached sheet(s) provide potentially useful constants and equations. You may detach these from the exam.
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 - (a) show all your work, using only the exam papers, including the back of this sheet if necessary;
 - (b) specify the correct units, if any, for your final answers;
 - (c) use an appropriate number of significant digits for final numerical answers;
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Other notes:

- **The first portion of the exam (problem 1) is worth 40 points.** Partial credit for these problems is not necessarily available.
- **Your 2 best scores of the 3 remaining problems will count towards the other 60 points.** Partial credit is available for these problems, so try each problem and do not erase any of your work.

1. 40 points.

- (a) Identify the following parameters as intensive (**I**) or extensive (**E**):
- temperature
 - entropy
 - mass
- (b) If the rotational partition function of HF at 298 K is 9.88, what is the probability of a molecule being found in the rotational ground state ($J = 0$)?

- (c) A table of energies and degeneracies is given below for the lowest energy vibrational states of carbon dioxide. Calculate the partition function at 400 K using the data below. (The states are labeled for completeness, but are not needed for the solution.)

state	g	ϵ_{vib} (cm^{-1})
(0,0,0)	1	0
(0,1,0)	2	667
(0,2,0)	3	1334
(1,1,0)	2	2000

- (d) What is the number of equipartition degrees of freedom in sulfur hexafluoride (SF_6)
- when vibrations are *not* included?
 - when vibrations *are* included?

2. We freeze N particles into a crystal lattice, so that they are all *distinguishable*. We energize the system by means of M photons, each photon with energy ϵ_0 . Each particle may absorb any number of photons. (However, the photons are *not* distinguishable; it doesn't matter in what order the photons were absorbed.)

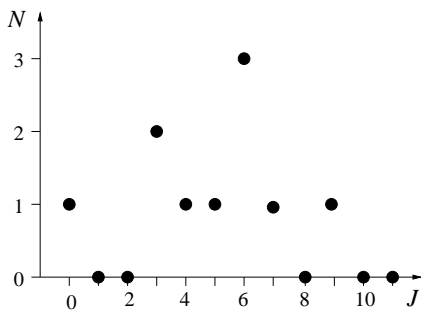
(a) Write an expression for the ensemble size Ω in terms of the total energy $E = M\epsilon_0$.

(b) Find a usable expression for the entropy as a function of N and M , assuming both are large numbers.

3. The plot below shows the number of particles N in each rotational quantum level J in a simulation of ten particles. Based on these values, estimate

(a) the Gibbs entropy of the system in SI units and

(b) the partition function at this temperature.



4. A clever experiment measures the quantum states of neutrons bouncing on a surface in Earth's gravitational field. The potential energy of the neutrons is mgz , where the neutron mass $m = 1.675 \cdot 10^{-27}$ kg, gravitational acceleration is $g = 9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$, and z is the height of the neutron (where $z \geq 0$). Use our procedure for finding the equipartition principle to find an approximate equation for the average total energy (kinetic plus potential) per neutron in this experiment as a function of the temperature. Ignore translations along x and y .

Fundamental Constants

Avogadro's number	\mathcal{N}_A	$6.0221367 \cdot 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
Bohr radius	$a_0 = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2}{m_e e^2}$	$5.29177249 \cdot 10^{-11} \text{ m}$
Boltzmann constant	k_B	$1.380658 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$
electron rest mass	m_e	$9.1093897 \cdot 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
fundamental charge	e	$1.6021773 \cdot 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
permittivity factor	$4\pi\epsilon_0$	$1.113 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ C}^2 \text{ J}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-1}$
gas constant	R	$8.314510 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
	R	$0.08314510 \text{ L bar K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
	R	$0.08206 \text{ L atm K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
hartree	$E_h = \frac{m_e e^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 \hbar^2}$	$4.35980 \cdot 10^{-18} \text{ J}$
Planck's constant	h	$6.6260755 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$
	\hbar	$1.05457266 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$
proton rest mass	m_p	$1.6726231 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
neutron rest mass	m_n	$1.6749286 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
speed of light	c	$2.99792458 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

Unit Conversions

	K	cm ⁻¹	kJ mol ⁻¹	kcal mol ⁻¹	erg	kJ
kHz =	$4.799 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$3.336 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$3.990 \cdot 10^{-10}$	$9.537 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$6.626 \cdot 10^{-24}$	$6.626 \cdot 10^{-34}$
MHz =	$4.799 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$3.336 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$3.990 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$9.537 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$6.626 \cdot 10^{-21}$	$6.626 \cdot 10^{-31}$
GHz =	$4.799 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$3.336 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$3.990 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$9.537 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$6.626 \cdot 10^{-18}$	$6.626 \cdot 10^{-28}$
K =	1	0.6950	$8.314 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.987 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.381 \cdot 10^{-16}$	$1.381 \cdot 10^{-26}$
cm ⁻¹ =	1.4388	1	$1.196 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.859 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.986 \cdot 10^{-16}$	$1.986 \cdot 10^{-26}$
kJ mol ⁻¹ =	$1.203 \cdot 10^2$	83.59	1	0.2390	$1.661 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$1.661 \cdot 10^{-24}$
kcal mol ⁻¹ =	$5.032 \cdot 10^2$	$3.498 \cdot 10^2$	4.184	1	$6.948 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$6.948 \cdot 10^{-24}$
eV =	$1.160 \cdot 10^4$	$8.066 \cdot 10^3$	96.49	23.06	$1.602 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$1.602 \cdot 10^{-22}$
hartree =	$3.158 \cdot 10^5$	$2.195 \cdot 10^5$	$2.625 \cdot 10^3$	$6.275 \cdot 10^2$	$4.360 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$4.360 \cdot 10^{-21}$
erg =	$7.243 \cdot 10^{15}$	$5.034 \cdot 10^{15}$	$6.022 \cdot 10^{13}$	$1.439 \cdot 10^{13}$	1	10^{-10}
J =	$7.243 \cdot 10^{22}$	$5.034 \cdot 10^{22}$	$6.022 \cdot 10^{20}$	$1.439 \cdot 10^{20}$	10^7	10^{-3}
dm ³ bar =	$7.243 \cdot 10^{24}$	$5.034 \cdot 10^{24}$	$6.022 \cdot 10^{22}$	$1.439 \cdot 10^{22}$	$1.000 \cdot 10^9$	0.1000
kJ =	$7.243 \cdot 10^{25}$	$5.034 \cdot 10^{25}$	$6.022 \cdot 10^{23}$	$1.439 \cdot 10^{23}$	10^{10}	1
distance	1 Å =		10^{-10} m			
mass	1 amu =		$1.66054 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$			
energy	1 J =		$1 \text{ kg m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$	$= 10^7 \text{ erg}$		
force	1 N =		1 kg m s^{-2}	$= 10^5 \text{ dyn}$		
electrostatic charge	1 C =		1 A s	$= 2.9979 \cdot 10^9 \text{ esu}$		
	1 D =	$3.3357 \cdot 10^{-30} \text{ C m}$		$= 1 \cdot 10^{-18} \text{ esu cm}$		
magnetic field strength	1 T =		$1 \text{ kg s}^{-2} \text{ A}^{-1}$	$= 10^4 \text{ gauss}$		
pressure	1 Pa =		1 N m^{-2}	$= 1 \text{ kg m}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-2}$		
	1 bar =		10^5 Pa	$= 0.98692 \text{ atm}$		

entropy	$S_{\text{Boltzmann}} = k_B \ln \Omega$	$S_{\text{Gibbs}} = -Nk_B \sum_i \mathcal{P}(i) \ln \mathcal{P}(i)$
temperature	$T = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial S} \right)_{V,N}$	
canonical dist.	$\mathcal{P}(\epsilon) = \frac{g(\epsilon)e^{-\epsilon/(k_B T)}}{q(T)}$	
Stirling's approx.	$\ln N! \approx N \ln N - N$	
partition func.s	$q(T) = \sum_{\epsilon} g(\epsilon)e^{-\epsilon/(k_B T)}$	
ideal gas	$PV = nRT$	
3D box	$\epsilon = \frac{h^2}{8mV^{2/3}} n^2$	
	$E_{\text{vib}} = \omega_e v$	$E_{\text{rot}} = B_v J(J+1) \quad g_{\text{rot}} = 2J+1$
equipartition	$E = \frac{1}{2} N_{\text{ep}} N k_B T = \frac{1}{2} N_{\text{ep}} n R T$	

Integrals

$\int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} + C$	$\int adx = a(x + C)$
$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln x + C$	$\int e^x dx = e^x + C$
$\int \ln x dx = x \ln x - x + C$	$\int \frac{dx}{x(a+bx)} = -\frac{1}{a} \ln \left(\frac{a+bx}{x} \right) + C$
$\int \sin x dx = -\cos x + C$	$\int \cos x dx = \sin x + C$
$\int \sin^2(ax) dx = \frac{x}{2} - \frac{\sin(2ax)}{4a} + C$	$\int \cos^2(ax) dx = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{\sin(2ax)}{4a} + C$
$\int [f(x) + g(x)] dx = \int f(x) dx + \int g(x) dx$	$\int_a^b dx = x _a^b = b - a$
$\int_0^\infty x^n e^{-ax} dx = \frac{n!}{a^{n+1}}$	$\int_0^\infty e^{-ax^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{a} \right)^{1/2}$
$\int_0^\infty x e^{-ax^2} dx = \frac{1}{2a}$	$\int_0^\infty x^2 e^{-ax^2} dx = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\pi}{a^3} \right)^{1/2}$
$\int_0^\infty x^{2n+1} e^{-ax^2} dx = \frac{n!}{2a^{n+1}}$	$\int_0^\infty x^{2n} e^{-ax^2} dx = \frac{[1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n-1)] \sqrt{\pi}}{2^{n+1} a^{n+(1/2)}}$