

HW#4

4.1

(a)

For a two states system, we have

$$Z = \exp(-0/\tau) + \exp(-\varepsilon/\tau) = 1 + \exp(-\varepsilon/\tau)$$

Thus, the free energy

$$F = -\tau \log Z = -\tau \log[1 + \exp(-\varepsilon/\tau)]$$

(b)

From (3.49)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \tau} \right)_v &= -\sigma \\ \Rightarrow \sigma &= - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \tau} \right)_v \\ &= \log[1 + \exp(-\varepsilon/\tau)] + \tau \times \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\varepsilon/\tau)} \times \exp(-\varepsilon/\tau) \times (\varepsilon/\tau^2) \\ &= \log[1 + \exp(-\varepsilon/\tau)] + \frac{\varepsilon}{\tau} \frac{\exp(-\varepsilon/\tau)}{1 + \exp(-\varepsilon/\tau)} \\ &= \log[1 + \exp(-\varepsilon/\tau)] + \frac{\varepsilon}{\tau} \frac{1}{\exp(\varepsilon/\tau) + 1} \end{aligned}$$

From (3.35)

$$F = U - \tau\sigma$$

$$\Rightarrow U = F + \tau\sigma = \varepsilon \frac{\exp(-\varepsilon/\tau)}{1 + \exp(-\varepsilon/\tau)} = \frac{\varepsilon}{\exp(\varepsilon/\tau) + 1}$$

4.2

(a)

For one magnet, the partition function is

$$Z = \exp(mB/\tau) + \exp(-mB/\tau) = 2 \cosh(mB/\tau)$$

$$\langle m \rangle = \frac{m \exp(mB/\tau) - m \exp(-mB/\tau)}{Z} = m \tanh(mB/\tau)$$

Thus

$$M = n \langle m \rangle = nm \tanh(mB/\tau)$$

$$\chi = \frac{dM}{dB} = nm \times \frac{m}{\tau} \times \sec^2(mB/\tau) = \frac{nm^2}{\tau} \sec^2(mB/\tau)$$

(b)

$$F = -n\tau \log Z = -n\tau \log[2 \cosh(mB/\tau)]$$

For

$$x = M / nm = \tanh(mB / \tau)$$

$$x^2 = \tanh^2(mB / \tau) = \frac{\sinh^2(mB / \tau)}{\cosh^2(mB / \tau)} = 1 - \frac{1}{\cosh^2(mB / \tau)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - x^2 = \text{cosh}^{-2}(mB / \tau)$$

$$F = -n\tau \log[2 \cosh(mB / \tau)] = -n\tau \left\{ \log 2 - \frac{1}{2} \log[\cosh^{-2}(mB / \tau)] \right\} = -n\tau \left[\log 2 - \frac{1}{2} \log(1 - x^2) \right]$$

(c)

From (a), we have

$$\chi = \frac{dM}{dB} = \frac{nm^2}{\tau} \sec^2(mB / \tau)$$

In the limit of $mB \ll \tau$, we have

$$\sec(mB / \tau) \approx 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi \approx \frac{nm^2}{\tau}$$

4.3

(a)

The partition function is

$$Z = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \exp(-\varepsilon_s / \tau) = \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \exp(-s\hbar\omega / \tau) = \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau)}$$

The free energy is

$$F = -\tau \log Z = \tau \log[1 - \exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau)]$$

At high temperature $\tau \gg \hbar\omega$, we have

$$\exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau) \approx 1 - \hbar\omega / \tau$$

$$\Rightarrow F = \tau \log[1 - \exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau)] \approx \tau \log(\hbar\omega / \tau)$$

(b)

From (3.49)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \tau} \right)_v &= -\sigma \Rightarrow \sigma = - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \tau} \right)_v \\ &= -\tau \times \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau)} \times [-\exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau)] \times (\hbar\omega / \tau^2) - \log[1 - \exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau)] \\ &= \frac{\hbar\omega}{\tau} \frac{\exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau)}{1 - \exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau)} - \log[1 - \exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau)] \\ &= \frac{\hbar\omega / \tau}{\exp(\hbar\omega / \tau) - 1} - \log[1 - \exp(-\hbar\omega / \tau)] \end{aligned}$$

3.5

There are $2^3=8$ microstates.

Microstate	Energy(mB)
$\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$	3
$\uparrow \uparrow \downarrow$	1
$\uparrow \downarrow \uparrow$	1
$\uparrow \downarrow \downarrow$	-1
$\downarrow \uparrow \uparrow$	1
$\downarrow \uparrow \downarrow$	-1
$\downarrow \downarrow \uparrow$	-1
$\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$	-3

$$Z(3, \tau) = \exp(3mB / \tau) + 3 \exp(mB / \tau) + 3 \exp(-mB / \tau) + \exp(-3mB / \tau)$$

$$\begin{aligned} [Z(1, \tau)]^3 &= [2 \cosh(mB / \tau)]^3 = [\exp(mB / \tau) + \exp(-mB / \tau)]^3 \\ &= \exp(3mB / \tau) + 3 \exp(2mB / \tau) \exp(-mB / \tau) + 3 \exp(mB / \tau) \exp(-2mB / \tau) + \exp(-3mB / \tau) \\ &= \exp(3mB / \tau) + 3 \exp(mB / \tau) + 3 \exp(-mB / \tau) + \exp(-3mB / \tau) \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$Z(3, \tau) = [Z(1, \tau)]^3$$

We can get this result in another way. All the microstates come from

$$(\uparrow + \downarrow)(\uparrow + \downarrow)(\uparrow + \downarrow)$$

The partition function includes all the microstates, thus

$$\begin{aligned} Z(3, \tau) &= [\exp(mB / \tau) + \exp(-mB / \tau)][\exp(mB / \tau) + \exp(-mB / \tau)][\exp(mB / \tau) + \exp(-mB / \tau)] \\ &= [Z(1, \tau)]^3 \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} Z(n, \tau) &= [\exp(mB / \tau) + \exp(-mB / \tau)][\exp(mB / \tau) + \exp(-mB / \tau)] \dots [\exp(mB / \tau) + \exp(-mB / \tau)] \\ &= [Z(1, \tau)]^n \end{aligned}$$