

Toets sf2 Fall/Winter 2012

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1 Ideal gas (2 points)

1. See equation 10 of the script (1 point)
2. See equation 53 in the script and the section immediately below (1 point)

2 Equation of state of a real gas (4 points)

Everything can be found in Section 2.3 of the script (parts 1 and 3 give one point, part 2 gives 2 points)

3 Virial expansion (4 points)

spherical coordinates (1 point):

$$B_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^3r \left(e^{-\beta w(r)} - 1 \right) = -2\pi \int_0^\infty dr r^2 \left(e^{-\beta w(r)} - 1 \right)$$

insert explicit form of $w(r)$:

$$B_2 = -2\pi \int_0^d dr r^2 \left(e^{+\beta u \ln(r/r_0)} - 1 \right) - 2\pi \int_d^\infty dr r^2 \left(e^{-0} - 1 \right)$$

leads to (1 point)

$$B_2 = -2\pi \int_0^d dr r^2 \left((r/r_0)^{\beta u} - 1 \right) = -2\pi \int_0^d dr \left(r^{\beta u + 2} r_0^{-\beta u} - r^2 \right)$$

This can be integrated straightforwardly (1 point):

$$B_2 = -\frac{2\pi}{\beta u + 3} \frac{r^{\beta u + 3}}{r_0^{\beta u}} \Big|_0^d + 2\pi \frac{r^3}{3} \Big|_0^d = 2\pi \frac{d^3}{3} - \frac{2\pi}{\beta u + 3} \frac{d^{\beta u + 3}}{r_0^{\beta u}}$$

The condition for $B_2 = 0$ follows from the above equation to be

$$1 + \frac{\beta u}{3} = \left(\frac{d}{r_0} \right)^{\beta u} = e^{\ln(d/r_0)\beta u}$$

This is solved for $\beta = 0$. But the question is if there is a finite temperature solution. There is no $B_2 = 0$ solution for $d/r_0 < 1$ since the left-hand side is growing (linearly) and the right hand side is decaying (exponentially) (1 point). On the other hand if $d/r_0 > 1$ the right side is exponentially growing. If the slope at $\beta = 0$ of this exponential term is smaller than that of the linear growth

on the left hand side, then the 2 curves must eventually cross. This additional condition is thus $d/r_0 < e^{1/3}$. In total the condition is $1 < d/r_0 < e^{1/3}$. (1 point).