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PRFFACE

Statistical physics establishes a bridge from the macroscopic world to study the microscopic world. All theories in which the Boltzmann constant appears involve statistical physics. This is a theory with the fewest assumptions and the broadest conclusions. Up to now there is no evidence to show that statistical physics itself is responsible for any mistakes, a reflection of the natural beauty of this science.

Statistical physics has become an important branch of modern theoretical physics. At the same time it has influenced many fields, so this course has become one of the common fundamental courses of graduate students in different majors in physics departments.

Statistical physics is a branch of science engaged in studying the laws of thermal motion of macroscopic systems. It has its own special laws, which cannot be derived from mechanical laws. However mechanical law is one of its foundations. Statistical physics when based on classical mechanics is called classical statistics, while statistical physics based on quantum mechanics is called quantum statistics. Usually statistical physics as taught in fundamental courses for undergraduate students focuses mainly on classical statistics, while advanced statistics for graduate students mainly studies quantum statistics.

Chapter 1 of this book outlines the fundamental principles of statistical physics. Chapter 2, with simple applications of these principles, solves some typical problems in statistical physics, i. e. quantum perfect gases. Chapters 3 and 4 are devoted to the study of second quantization for many-particle systems and fields. Chapter 5 addresses Bose-Einstein condensation. Chapter 6 is devoted to the study of a class of inverse

problems in quantum statistics, their Chen (or Möbius-Chen) exact solution formulas, Dai's exact solution formulas, asymptotic behavior control (ABC) theory, and concrete realizations of the inversion theories, especially obtaining the phonon spectrum from real specific heat data for high *Tc* superconductors. Chapter 7 is an introduction to the theory of Green's functions in quantum statistics (where double-time Green's functions are the main tool). Chapter 8 presents the unified diagonalization theorem for Hamiltonians of quadratic form, for both Fermi and Bose systems. Chapter 9 is an introduction to the third formulation of quantum statistics and the functional integral approach. Applying this formalism along with the diagonalization theorem established in chapter 8, an asymptotically exact solution is obtained in the thermodynamic limit for a model of superconductivity. The first four chapters are fundamental, and should be well known. The last five chapters are recent developments.

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前 言

统计物理架起人们由宏观世界研究微观世界的桥梁。 凡出现 Boltzmann 常数的理论就涉及统计物理。它是假设 最少,结论众多的一门学科。至今还没有任何证据,确认某 些错误必须由统计物理本身负责。这反映出该学科自然 的美。

它已成为现代理论物理的一个重要部分。同时它又渗透到物理学的众多领域,因此自然成为物理系的多个专业的研究生基础课程。

统计物理是研究体系的热运动规律的学科。它有自己的特殊规律,不能从力学推导出来。但必须以力学为其基础之一。基于经典力学的,称经典统计,基于量子力学的,称量子统计。通常大学生基础课程中的统计物理以研究经典统计为主,而研究生的高等统计,则以量子统计为主。

本书的第一章是统计物理基本原理。第二章作为这些基本原理的简单应用,解决几个典型的统计物理问题:量子理想气体。第三章和第四章分别致力于多粒子体系和场的二次量子化。第五章研究玻色一爱因斯坦凝结。第六章研究一批量子统计中的反问题,它们的陈氏(或 Möbius-Chen)严格解公式,戴氏严格解公式及其渐近行为控制理论和反演理论的具体实现,特别是由高温超导体的实际比热数据,直接反演出声子谱。第七章是 Fermi 和 Bose 的二次型哈密顿量的统一的对角化定理。第八章是量子统计中的 Green 函数(以双时 Green 函数理论为主线) 引论。第九章则介绍

量子统计第三种表述和泛函积分理论。并运用它和第七章 的对角化定理,获得一个超导模型的热力学极限下的渐近 严格解。本书的前四章是基础部分,是必须掌握的。后五 章是最新发展。

本书是作者依据自 1978 年以来为复旦大学物理系研究生讲课所使用的量子统计课程和高等统计课程的教材修改而成的,同时也是国家自然科学基金的多个有关项目的研究结果。作者对国家自然科学基金委多年来的宝贵支持,对我所指导的多位研究生,以及多年来选读本课程的本系和外系的研究生和部分本科生,特别包括温涛、明灯明、胡光喜、孙磊、叶季平博士及季丰民、何源和相湘同学的讨论与支持,表示衷心的感谢。

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Fundamental Principles

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1.1 Introduction: The Characters of Thermodynamics and Statistical Physics and Their Relationship

Thermodynamics and statistical physics have the same focus of study: the laws of thermodynamic motion of macroscopic systems, consisting of huge numbers of particles (such as molecules, atoms, etc.). However, their starting points and methods are different. They have their own merits and deficiencies and supplement each other.

Thermodynamics is a macroscopic phenomenological theory. From a huge number of direct observations of phenomena and experiences, scientists summarized and induced some fundamental laws of thermal motion, i. e. the zeroth, first, second and third laws of thermodynamics. These fundamental laws can be applied to theoretically deduce and explain the equilibrium properties of macroscopic systems. The merit of the theory of thermodynamics is that it is built upon a sound and broad experimental background. Its conclusions have high reliability and universality. Its general conclusions are independent of internal structures of systems. Its limitations are also due to its phenomenological nature, without microscopically taking into account the structures of atoms and molecules. Thus it cannot be used to study fluctuation phenomena and to obtain parameters related to material properties. However, the achievements of thermodynamics in non-equilibrium problems are rather limited.

The essential achievements of thermodynamic theory lie in setting up the three thermodynamic laws, from which one can deduce universal internal relations for various thermodynamic quantities and attribute the concrete characteristics of macroscopic systems to their **equations of state and specific heats**, both of which can be directly measured or established by experiment. Thermodynamics can also relate the concrete properties of macroscopic systems to **one characteristic function of the system**, then all the properties of the equilibrium states of the system can be derived from this characteristic function and its derivatives with respect to the corresponding characteristic variables. In other words, one attributes the thermodynamic properties to the problem of the differential geometry of the characteristic functions. Some important characteristic functions, such as **the internal energy**, **Helmholtz free energy**, **Gibbs free energy**, **thermodynamic potential**, **etc.**, can be calculated by statistical physics.

Thermodynamics allows statistical physics to concentrate on the calculation of a single characteristic function, and other thermodynamic quantities can then be derived using the universal thermodynamic relations.

Statistical physics is a microscopic theory. Its starting point is different from that of thermodynamics. (1) It assumes or accepts the fact that all macroscopic systems consist of molecules and atoms. (2) It assumes the properties of the particles making up the system and the interactions between them. These assumptions can be demonstrated or analyzed by other experiments. (3) It assumes that the motion of these particles obey mechanical laws, i. e. the macroscopic observed value is taken to be the statistical average value. Statistical physics does not hold that thermodynamic laws are mechanical laws, but it takes mechanics as the foundation of statistical physics. The statistical laws are new special laws which cannot be reduced to mechanical laws. As the number of particles increases, statistical laws reveal themselves in the collective average properties of many-particle systems. As the number of particles decreases, the statistical properties disappear. For example, for a single particle, there are no concepts of temperature and entropy.

The main achievements of statistical physics lie in the derivation of the three fundamental laws of thermodynamics based on the fundamental principles of statistics. Given some assumptions for concrete microscopic structures, statistical physics can be used to derive the characteristic functions, or state equations and specific heats. This theory can also be used to calculate statistical fluctuations and various non-equilibrium processes. Its limitations lie in lack of universality because it requires

concrete assumptions about specific systems. Its strength lies in respecting the individuality and the internal structures of the systems studied. It is thus possible to understand the microscopic structures of these systems. An important historical contribution of statistical physics is in studies of black-body radiation, which led to quantum theory.

Since one of the basic assumptions of statistical physics is that particle motions in a macroscopic system obey mechanical laws, then it is necessary to distinguish what kind of mechanics: classical or quantum mechanics? Statistical physics based on classical mechanics is called classical statistics, while that based on quantum mechanics is called quantum statistics.

Before the 1950's, quantum statistics was primarily used to treat the so-called perfect Fermi and Bose gas, i. e. the quantum gases without interactions. Due to difficulties in the theory and limited mathematical skills, practical systems with interactions could not be treated during that period. Since the 1950's, quantum field theory, developed in particle physics, has progressively matured. Although problems remain in its applications in particle physics, the methods of quantum field theory, such as perturbation theory, Feynman diagram techniques, Green's function methods, etc., poured into quantum statistics. After solving some important difficult problems, such as the mechanism of superconductivity which has been un-solved for 40 years, quantum statistics rapidly developed and quickly formed into an important branch of theoretical physics. This theory also provides a vast and practical testing field for studies of fundamental theories. Major parts of modern quantum statistics are devoted to study the quantum statistics based on quantum field theory.

1.2 Basic Thermodynamic Identities

In general studies of thermodynamics, one primary studies the thermodynamic equilibrium properties of systems containing a fixed number of particles. However, in studies of quantum statistics, one usually needs to consider systems with variable numbers of particles, because these kind of models can be applied to more general cases. Sometimes their treatment is more convenient than that for fixed particle numbers in mathematical calculations. In addition, there are physical systems where the variable number of particles is an essential feature, rather than a mathematical convenience. For example, the macroscopic condensate in superconductors or superfluid liquid helium acts as a particle bath which