

Problem 1 (30 marks)

An ideal gas of bosons is confined to a line of length L . Does Bose-Einstein condensation occur in such a one-dimensional boson gas? If yes, what is the critical temperature for given length L ?

Problem 2 (30=6+12+12 marks)

An ultracold (temperature $T = 0$) gas of N spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ atoms of mass m is trapped by a harmonic force with potential energy $\frac{1}{2}m\omega^2\vec{r}^2$. The atoms interact with a repulsive contact force, so that the potential energy is $W\delta(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2)$ for one atom at \vec{r}_1 and another at \vec{r}_2 , where $W > 0$.

(a) Explain why the energy functional of the atom density $\rho(\vec{r})$ is

$$E[\rho] = \int (d\vec{r}) \frac{\hbar^2}{10\pi^2 m} [3\pi^2 \rho(\vec{r})]^{5/3} + \int (d\vec{r}) \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 \vec{r}^2 \rho(\vec{r}) + \frac{1}{2} \int (d\vec{r}) W \rho(\vec{r})^2$$

$$\equiv E_{\text{kin}}[\rho] + E_{\text{trap}}[\rho] + E_{\text{int}}[\rho]$$

in the Thomas-Fermi approximation.

(b) Which equations are obeyed by the density $\rho_{\text{TF}}(\vec{r})$ for which $E[\rho]$ is minimal?

(c) Show that $2E_{\text{kin}}[\rho_{\text{TF}}] - 2E_{\text{trap}}[\rho_{\text{TF}}] + 3E_{\text{int}}[\rho_{\text{TF}}] = 0$.

Problem 3 (40=10+15+15 marks)

An ideal gas of luxons — massless, conserved particles with kinetic energy $c|\vec{p}|$, where c is the speed of light — is confined to volume V .

(a) In an Exercise, you found the canonical partition function $Q(\beta, V, N)$. What is the grand-canonical partition function $Z(\beta, V, z)$?

(b) Find the Helmholtz free energy $F(T, V, N)$ and the Gibbs free energy $G(T, p, N)$ as functions of their natural variables.

(c) Determine the heat capacitances C_V and C_p for constant volume and constant pressure, respectively.