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Assignment 3

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Due on 2020-10-07, 23:59 IST.

1) Five identifiable particles are distributed in three non-degenerate levels with energies 0 , ϵ and 2ϵ . If the number of particles occupying the three energy states be N_1 , N_2 and N_3 , the most probable distribution for a total energy 3ϵ is

- $N_1 = 3, N_2 = 1$ and $N_3 = 1$
 $N_1 = 2, N_2 = 2$ and $N_3 = 1$
 $N_1 = 4, N_2 = 1$ and $N_3 = 0$
 $N_1 = 2, N_2 = 1$ and $N_3 = 2$

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
 $N_1 = 3, N_2 = 1$ and $N_3 = 1$

2) If there are four energy levels ϵ , 2ϵ , 3ϵ and 4ϵ , what will be the canonical partition function of a system consisting of two distinguishable particles?

- (a) $(e^{-\beta\epsilon} + e^{-2\beta\epsilon} + e^{-3\beta\epsilon} + e^{-4\beta\epsilon})^2 / 2$
 (b) $(e^{-\beta\epsilon} + e^{-2\beta\epsilon} + e^{-3\beta\epsilon} + e^{-4\beta\epsilon}) / 2$
 (c) $(e^{-2\beta\epsilon} + e^{-4\beta\epsilon} + e^{-6\beta\epsilon} + e^{-8\beta\epsilon})$
 (d) $(e^{-\beta\epsilon} + e^{-2\beta\epsilon} + e^{-3\beta\epsilon} + e^{-4\beta\epsilon})^2$

- a)
 b)
 c)
 d)

No, the answer is incorrect.
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Accepted Answers:
d)

3) A system has two energy levels with energies ϵ and 2ϵ . The lower energy level is 4-fold degenerate while the upper level is doubly degenerate. If there are N non-interacting classical particles in the system, which is in the thermodynamic equilibrium at temperature T , the fraction of particles in the upper level is

- (a) $\frac{1}{2e^{\epsilon/k_B T} + 4e^{-2\epsilon/k_B T}}$
 (b) $\frac{1}{2e^{\epsilon/k_B T} - 4e^{-2\epsilon/k_B T}}$
 (c) $\frac{1}{2e^{\epsilon/k_B T} + 1}$
 (d) $\frac{1}{1 + e^{\epsilon/k_B T}}$

- a)
 b)
 c)
 d)

No, the answer is incorrect.
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Accepted Answers:
c)

4) The logarithmic value of partition function for a gas of photons is given as,

$$\ln Z = \frac{\pi^2}{45} \frac{V (k_B T)^3}{\hbar^3 c^3}, \text{ the pressure of the photon gas is}$$

- (a) $\frac{\pi^2 (k_B T)^3}{45 \hbar^3 c^3}$
 (b) $\frac{\pi^2 (k_B T)^4}{45 \hbar^3 c^3}$
 (c) $\frac{\pi^2 (k_B T)^4}{8 \hbar^3 c^3}$
 (d) $\frac{\pi^2 (k_B T)^3}{15 \hbar^3 c^3}$

- a)
 b)
 c)
 d)

No, the answer is incorrect.
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Accepted Answers:
b)

5) The entropy of a gas containing N particles enclosed in a volume V is given by

$$S = Nk_B \ln \left(\frac{aVE^{3/2}}{N^{5/2}} \right) \text{ where } E \text{ is the total energy, } a \text{ is a constant and } k_B \text{ is the Boltzmann constant. The chemical potential } \mu \text{ of the system at a temperature } T \text{ is given by}$$

- (a) $\mu = -k_B T \left[\ln \left(\frac{aVE^{3/2}}{N^{5/2}} \right) - \frac{5}{2} \right]$
 (b) $\mu = -k_B T \left[\ln \left(\frac{aVE^{3/2}}{N^{5/2}} \right) - \frac{3}{2} \right]$
 (c) $\mu = -k_B T \left[\ln \left(\frac{aVE^{3/2}}{N^{5/2}} \right) - \frac{5}{2} \right]$
 (d) $\mu = -k_B T \left[\ln \left(\frac{aVE^{3/2}}{N^{5/2}} \right) - \frac{3}{2} \right]$

- a)
 b)
 c)
 d)

No, the answer is incorrect.
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Accepted Answers:
c)

6) For a one-dimensional harmonic oscillator of mass m and frequency ω , the canonical partition is

- (a) $Q = \frac{k_B T}{\omega}$
 (b) $Q = k_B T$
 (c) $Q = \frac{T}{\omega}$
 (d) $Q = \frac{k_B T}{\hbar \omega}$

- a)
 b)
 c)
 d)

No, the answer is incorrect.
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Accepted Answers:
d)

7) The relation between grand canonical and canonical partition function is

- (a) $\Xi(\mu, V, T) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} Q(N, V, T) \exp(-\beta\mu N)$
 (b) $\Xi(\mu, V, T) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} Q(N, V, T) \exp(\beta\mu N)$
 (c) $\Xi(\mu, V, T) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} Q(N, V, T) \exp(\beta N)$
 (d) $\Xi(\mu, V, T) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r} Q(N, V, T) \exp(\beta\mu N)$

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 b)
 c)
 d)

No, the answer is incorrect.
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Accepted Answers:
b)

8) Which of the following relation is correct?

- (a) $\frac{PV}{k_B T} = \ln \Xi(\mu, V, T)$
 (b) $\frac{P}{k_B T} = \ln \Xi(\mu, V, T)$
 (c) $\frac{PV}{k_B T} = -\ln \Xi(\mu, V, T)$
 (d) $\frac{1}{k_B T} = \ln \Xi(\mu, V, T)$

- a)
 b)
 c)
 d)

No, the answer is incorrect.
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Accepted Answers:
a)

9) Consider a system consisting of a zipper of N links. A link acquires energy ϵ if it is open and '0' when it is close. Also for the n th link to remain open the previous $(n-1)$ links should be open. The partition function for this system is

- (a) $\frac{1 - e^{-(N+1)\epsilon/k_B T}}{1 - e^{-\epsilon/k_B T}}$
 (b) $\frac{1 - e^{-(N-1)\epsilon/k_B T}}{1 - e^{-\epsilon/k_B T}}$
 (c) $\frac{1 - e^{-(N-1)\epsilon/k_B T}}{1 + e^{-\epsilon/k_B T}}$
 (d) $\frac{1 - e^{-(N-1)\epsilon/k_B T}}{1 + e^{-\epsilon/k_B T}}$

- a)
 b)
 c)
 d)

No, the answer is incorrect.
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Accepted Answers:
a)

10) We define a quantity $\xi = \left(\frac{2\pi m k_B T}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} V e^{\beta\mu}$. In case of N number of ideal gas molecules in grand canonical ensemble the following relation can be shown

- (a) $\xi = \mathcal{F}$
 (b) $\xi = \frac{1}{k_B T}$
 (c) $\xi = \mathcal{N}$
 (d) $\xi = m / \mathcal{F}$

- a)
 b)
 c)
 d)

No, the answer is incorrect.
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:
c)