

VI.2 The ensemble

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Entropy of a density operator:

$$S = -k_B \sum p_i \ln p_i = -k_B \text{Tr} \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho}$$

$\rho_i$ : eigenvalues

closed system  $\rightarrow$  fixed energy  $\langle E \rangle = \text{Tr} \hat{\rho} \hat{H}$

minimize entropy under constraints  $\text{Tr} \hat{\rho} = 1$  and  $\text{Tr} \hat{\rho} \hat{H} = E$

$$0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{\rho}} \underbrace{[-\text{Tr} \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho} + \lambda (\text{Tr} \hat{\rho} - 1) + \mu (E - \text{Tr} \hat{\rho} \hat{H})]}_{q(\hat{\rho})}$$

$$q(\hat{\rho} + \delta \hat{\rho}) - q(\hat{\rho}) = -\text{Tr} [(\hat{\rho} + \delta \hat{\rho}) \ln(\hat{\rho} + \delta \hat{\rho})] - d + \lambda \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho} + \delta \hat{\rho}) + \mu E - \mu \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho} + \delta \hat{\rho}) \hat{H} + \text{Tr} \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho} + d - \lambda \text{Tr} \hat{\rho} - \mu E + \mu \text{Tr} \hat{\rho} \hat{H}$$

$$= -\text{Tr} [(\hat{\rho} + \delta \hat{\rho}) \ln(\hat{\rho} + \delta \hat{\rho})] + \text{Tr} \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho} + \lambda \text{Tr} \delta \hat{\rho} - \mu \text{Tr} \hat{H} \delta \hat{\rho}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} (\hat{\rho} + \delta \hat{\rho} - \hat{I})^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} (\hat{\rho} - \hat{I})^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} (\hat{\rho} - \hat{I})^k \delta \hat{\rho} (\hat{\rho} - \hat{I})^{n-k-1} + O(\delta \hat{\rho}^2)$$

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho} + \delta \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho}) + \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} (\hat{\rho} - \hat{I})^k \delta \hat{\rho} (\hat{\rho} - \hat{I})^{n-k-1}) + O(\delta \hat{\rho}^2)$$

$$= -\text{Tr} \delta \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho} - \text{Tr} \hat{\rho} \hat{\rho}^{-1} \delta \hat{\rho} + \lambda \text{Tr} \delta \hat{\rho} - \mu \text{Tr} \hat{H} \delta \hat{\rho}$$

$$= \text{Tr} \{ \delta \hat{\rho} [-\ln \hat{\rho} - \hat{I} + \lambda \hat{I} - \mu \hat{H}] \}$$

$$= \sum_{ij} (\delta \hat{\rho})_{ij} [-\ln \hat{\rho} - \hat{I} + \lambda \hat{I} - \mu \hat{H}]_{ji} = 0 \text{ for all } \delta \hat{\rho}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\ln \hat{\rho} - \hat{I} + \lambda \hat{I} - \mu \hat{H} = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\rho} = e^{\lambda-1} e^{-\mu \hat{H}}$$

$$\text{Tr } \hat{\rho} = 1 \Rightarrow \hat{\rho} = \frac{e^{-\mu \hat{A}}}{\text{Tr } e^{-\mu \hat{A}}}$$

comparison with previous derivation of canonical ensemble.

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{e^{-\beta \hat{H}}}{\text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{H}}}$$

partition function  $Z = \text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{H}}$

free energy  $F = U - TS = \text{Tr } \hat{\rho} \hat{H} + T k_B \text{Tr } \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho}$

Analogously:  $= \text{Tr } \hat{\rho} \hat{H} + T k_B \text{Tr } \hat{\rho} (-\beta \hat{H} - \ln Z)$

closed and isolated system  $= -k_B T \ln Z$   
 $\text{Tr } \hat{\rho} = 1$

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{\delta(E - \hat{H})}{\int \delta(E - \hat{H})}$$

open system

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{e^{-\beta \hat{H} + \beta \mu' \hat{N}}}{\text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{H} + \beta \mu' \hat{N}}}$$

grand partition function  $Z = \text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{H} + \beta \mu' \hat{N}}$

grand potential

$$\Omega = U - TS - \mu' N = \text{Tr } \hat{\rho} \hat{H} + T k_B \text{Tr } \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho} - \mu' \text{Tr } \hat{\rho} \hat{N}$$

$$= \text{Tr } \hat{\rho} \hat{H} + k_B T \text{Tr } \hat{\rho} (-\beta \hat{H} + \beta \mu' \hat{N} - \ln Z) - \mu' \text{Tr } \hat{\rho} \hat{N}$$

$$= -k_B T \ln Z$$
  
 $\text{Tr } \hat{\rho} = 1$