10.40 Thermodynamics Problem Set 4

Fall 2003

Problem 7.1 Text

Solution:

$$\begin{split} \underline{A}_{NN} &= (\partial^2 \underline{A}/\partial N^2)_{T, \ \underline{V}} = (\partial \mu/\partial N)_{T, \ \underline{V}} \\ &= -(\partial \underline{V}/\partial N)_{T, \ \mu}/(\partial \underline{V}/\partial \mu)_{T, \ N} \\ &= -V(\partial \mu/\partial \underline{V})_{T, \ N} \\ \mu &= f(T, P) \\ d\mu &= -S \ dT + V \ dP \\ (\partial \mu/\partial \underline{V})_{T, \ N} &= V(\partial P/\partial \underline{V})_{T, \ N} = V\underline{A}_{\underline{V} \ \underline{V}} \end{split}$$

substituting,

$$\underline{A}_{NN} = -V^2 (\partial P / \partial \underline{V})_{T, N} = V^2 \underline{A}_{\underline{V}\underline{V}}$$

Thus, when $\underline{A}_{\underline{V}\,\underline{V}} \to 0$, $\underline{A}_{NN} \to 0$