STAT. MECH. AND THERMO. MAIN POINTS

Microscopic results:

temperature and kinetic energy ideal gas equation of state equipartition Boltzmann law distribution of molecular speeds

Photon gas:

pressure-energy density relation energy density as a function of T flux of radiation as a function of T entropy density as a function of T energy spectrum (energy density per unit angular frequency)

Zeroth law related:

temperature thermal equilibrium Zeroth law

First law related:

heat specific heat internal energy and ideal gas internal energy ΔU , Q, W and the First Law processes isothermal isobaric adiabatic isochoric free expansion heat capacities C_v, C_P, and γ

Second law related:

thermodynamic Second law heat engines Carnot cycle efficiency reversibility entropy entropy and heat flow entropy changes in the five "processes" above entropy of the ideal gas statistical mechanical definition of entropy: $S = k \ln \Omega$ S(equilibrium state) \geq S(any other state) $\Delta S \geq 0$ for any process in an isolated system. For a combined system, $S_{12} = S_1 + S_2$. For S(U,V) as a function of U and V, $\partial S / \partial U = 1/T$ and $\partial S / \partial V = P/T$.