

Physics 831 Quiz #3 - Friday, Sep. 21

1. Consider a TWO-dimensional gas of MASSLESS spin-1/2 Fermions at temperature T confined to an area A . (Feel free to set $c = 1$)

- (a) Find the density of single-particle states $D(\epsilon)$. Express answer in terms of ϵ , A , and \hbar .
(b) Beginning with:

$$\delta\rho = \frac{1}{A} \int d\epsilon D(\epsilon) \delta f(\epsilon), \quad \delta f \equiv \frac{e^{-\beta(\epsilon-\mu)}}{1 + e^{-\beta(\epsilon-\mu)}} - \Theta(\mu - \epsilon),$$

derive the function $B(\epsilon_f)$ in the expression

$$\delta\rho = \frac{B(\epsilon_f)}{A} T^2,$$

where T is small. Express B in terms of D and derivatives of D .

- (c) Find the the change of the chemical potential $\delta\mu$ necessary to maintain a constant density per unity area, ρ , while the temperature is raised from zero to T . Give answer to order T^2 as a function of D and derivatives of D .