

# Lecture 2

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Thermodynamic potentials, response functions and Maxwell's relations, thermodynamic stability

# Summary lecture 1

- Thermodynamic laws are encapsulated in the thermodynamic inequality

$$dU \leq TdS - PdV$$

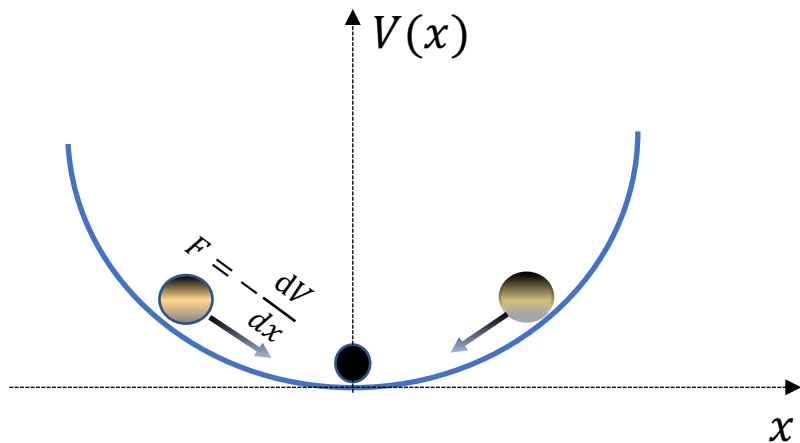
- Entropy cannot be calculated solely from thermodynamics because the expression is determined up to the entropy constant and is not extensive

$$S(U, V, N) = Nk \left[ \frac{3}{2} \ln \left( \frac{U}{N} \right) + \ln V + \sigma_0 \right]$$

A consequence of a non-extensive entropy is the Gibbs paradox: the gas entropy changes even when there is no change in the thermodynamic state of a gas

# Classical mechanics versus thermodynamics

- *In classical mechanics, the stable equilibrium of a mechanical system is related to the minimum of its potential energy*



Potential energy in classical mechanics	Variables	Driving force to equilibrium
$V(x,y,z)$	$x, y, z$	$F = -\nabla V$

What is the analogue of this for a thermodynamic system?

# Free energies as thermodynamic potentials

- ❑ Describe the thermodynamic state of a system depending on how the system *interacts with its environment*
  
- ❑ When a system is **isolated**, the thermodynamic potential that is **minimized at equilibrium** is its internal energy  $U$
  
- ❑ But, when a system is at equilibrium with a thermal bath at fixed  $T$ , which *energy* is then minimized?
  
- ❑ When a system is at equilibrium with a reservoir at fixed  $T$  and  $P$ , which *energy* is then minimized?

Thermodynamic Potentials	Thermodynamic (natural) Variables
$U(S, V, N)$	$S, V, N$
$H(S, P, N)$	$S, P, N$
$F(T, V, N)$	$V, T, N$
$G(T, P, N)$	$P, T, N$

Potential energy in classical mechanics	Variables
$V(x, y, z)$	$x, y, z$

# Isolated systems and internal energy $U(S, V, N)$

- Sum of all the kinetic and potential energies of all the particles in the system
- An infinitesimal  $dU$  is due to infinitesimal and independent changes in  $S, V$ , or  $N$

$$dU = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S}\right)_{V,N} dS + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_{S,N} dV + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial N}\right)_{S,V} dN$$

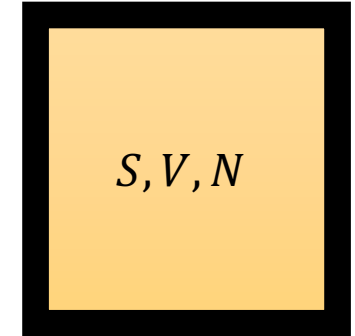
- Identify it with the **thermodynamic identity** for energy change in a **reversible** process

$$dU = TdS - PdV + \mu dN$$

we can define  $T, P$  and  $\mu$  from changes in  $U$  with respect to their conjugate variables

$$T = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S}\right)_{V,N}, \quad P = -\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_{S,N}, \quad \mu = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial N}\right)_{S,V}$$

«ability to exchange energy», «ability to exchange volume», «ability to exchange particles»



# Isolated systems and internal energy $U(S, V, N)$

- From the 2nd law of thermodynamics, the entropy change satisfies this inequality

$$TdS \geq dU + PdV - \mu dN$$

Hence the change in the internal energy satisfies this **thermodynamic inequality**

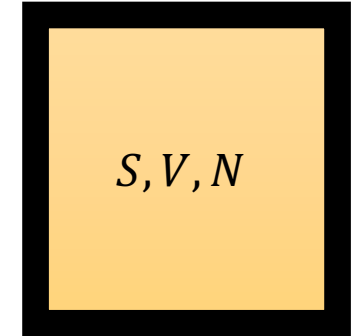
$$dU \leq TdS - PdV + \mu dN$$

Then any change in the internal energy when  $S, V,$  and  $N$  are fixed is  $dU|_{S,N,V} \leq 0$

Which is to *lower* the internal energy to its **minimum value at equilibrium**

- Reversible process in an **isolated** system at fixed  $S, V,$  and  $N$  means that  **$U$  is conserved:**

$$dU = 0, \text{ hence } \delta Q = -\delta W$$



# Systems at constant $P$ and Enthalpy $H(S, P, N)$

- ❑ **The enthalpy  $H$**  is the thermodynamic potential given by the internal energy of a system plus the work needed to keep the system at a given  $P$

$$H = U + PV$$

- ❑ It is the energy to create something (*system*) out of nothing and make room for it somewhere (*environment*)
- ❑ An infinitesimal change in  $H$  is due independent, infinitesimal changes in  $S, P, N$

$$dH = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial S}\right)_{P,N} dS + \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial P}\right)_{S,N} dP + \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial N}\right)_{S,P} dN$$

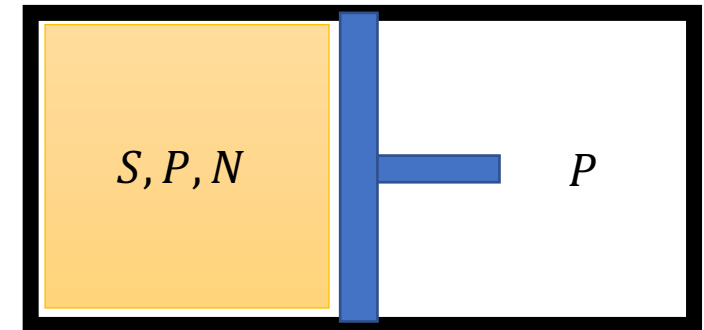
By defining  $T = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial S}\right)_{P,N}$ ,  $V = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial P}\right)_{S,N}$  and  $\mu = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial N}\right)_{S,P}$

- ❑ **Thermodynamic identity** for an infinitesimal **reversible** process

$$dH = TdS + VdP + \mu dN$$



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# Systems at constant $P$ and Enthalpy $H(S, P, N)$

□ Thermodynamic identity for an infinitesimal reversible process

$$dH = dU + d(PV)$$

Combing this with the 2nd law of thermodynamics,

$$dU \leq TdS - PdV + \mu dN$$

□ **Thermodynamic inequality** for any infinitesimal process (reversible «=», irreversible «>»)

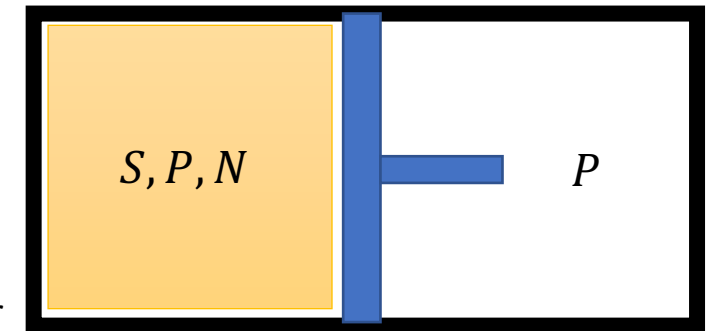
$$dU + d(PV) \leq TdS + VdP + \mu dN$$

$$dH \leq TdS + VdP + \mu dN$$

- Any change in enthalpy  $H$  when  $S$ ,  $P$ , and  $N$  are fixed is  $dH|_{S,P,N} \leq 0$ . This is to *lower  $H$  to its minimum value at equilibrium*
- Reversible process at fixed  $S$ ,  $P$ , and  $N$  means that  **$H$  is conserved**:  $dH|_{S,P,N} = 0$
- Reversible process at fixed  $P$ , and  $N$  means that :  $dH|_{P,N} = TdS = \delta Q_{rev}$



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# Systems at constant $P$ and Enthalpy $H(S, P, N)$

- ❑ System + surrounding at constant pressure = isolated system
- ❑ System can exchange work with the surrounding, thus from the conservation of energy

$$d(U + U_{surr}) = 0 \rightarrow dU = -dU_{surr} \rightarrow -\delta W = \delta W_{surr}$$

- ❑ **Principle of maximum work**

$$\delta W \leq PdV \rightarrow dU \leq -PdV$$

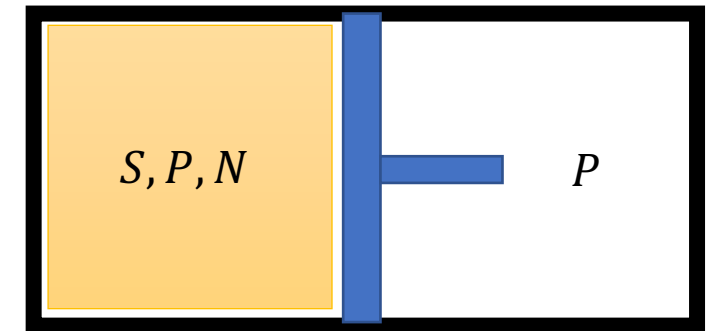
- ❑ *Pressure is constant, thus this spontaneous process will minimize enthalpy at equilibrium*

$$d(U + PV) \leq 0 \rightarrow dH \leq 0$$

- ❑ *Working with enthalpy, we can describe the system in contact with its surrounding at constant  $P$  without actually keeping track of the transformations in the surroundings*



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# Joule-Thomson expansion: constant enthalpy

$$Q = 0 \rightarrow \Delta U = -W$$

*Work done on the gas at  $P_1 = \text{const}$ :*

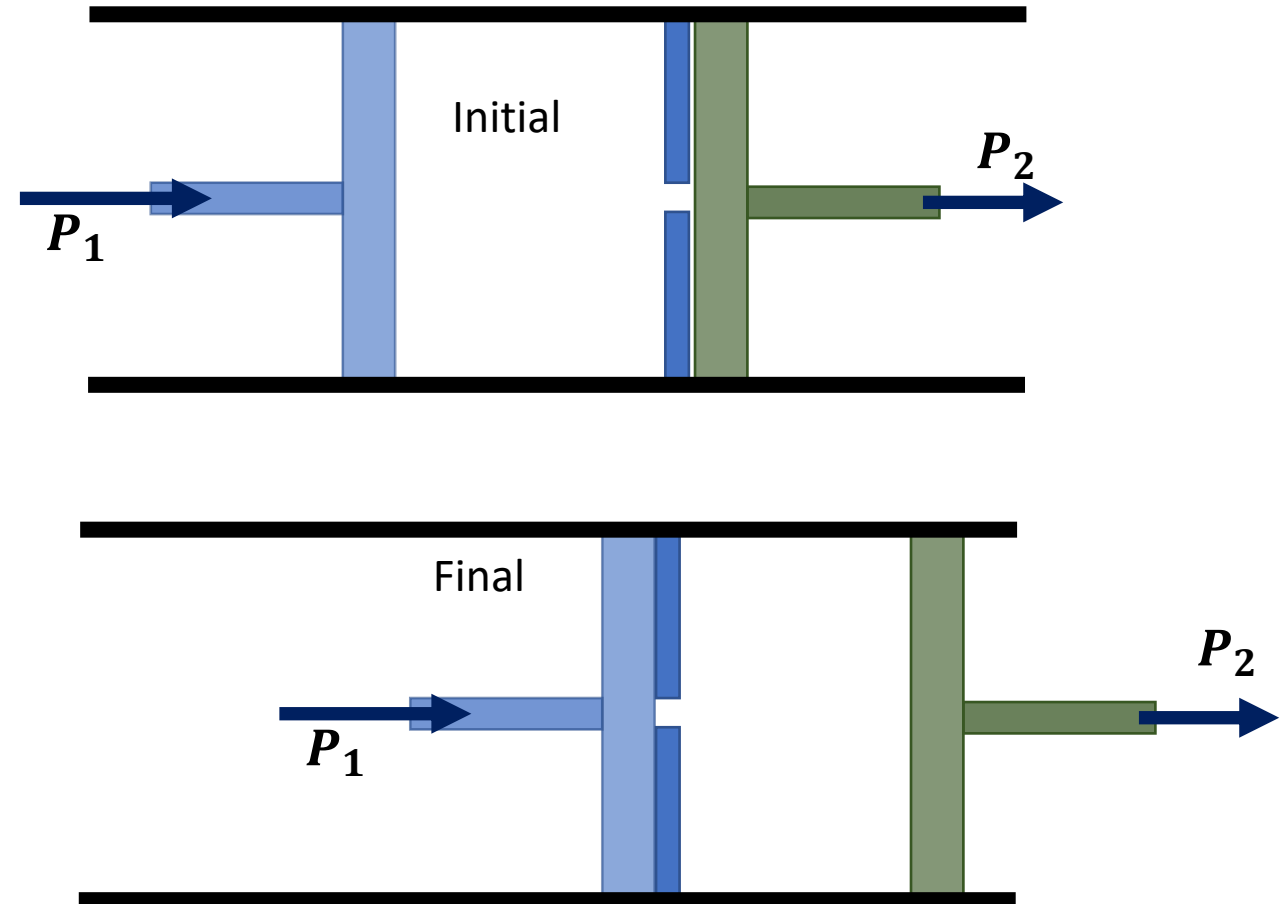
$$W_1 = \int_{V_1}^0 P_1 dV = -P_1 V_1$$

*Work done by the gas at  $P_2 = \text{const}$ :*

$$W_2 = \int_0^{V_2} P_2 dV = P_2 V_2$$

*Total work to move the gas from one chamber to the other*

$$-W = -W_1 - W_2 = P_1 V_1 - P_2 V_2$$



# Joule-Thomson expansion

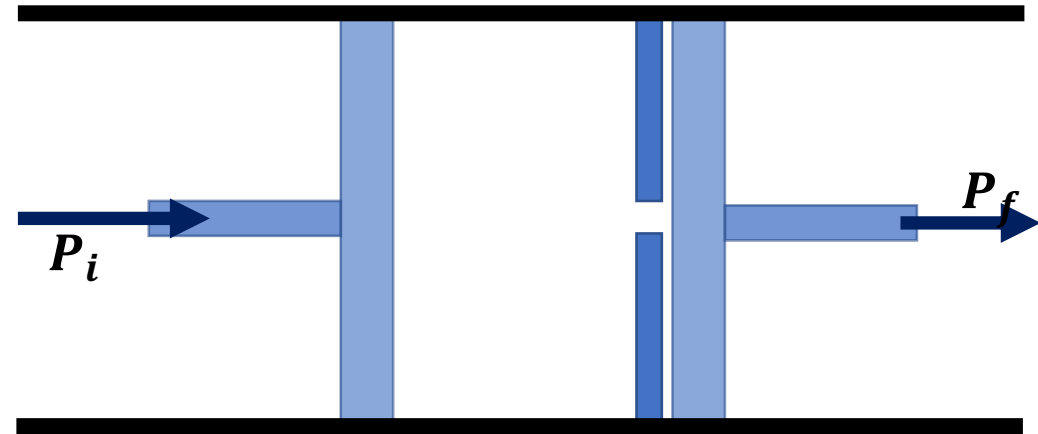
$$\Delta U = -W \rightarrow$$

$$U_2 - U_1 = P_1V_1 - P_2V_2$$

$$U_1 + P_1V_1 = U_2 + P_2V_2$$

*This expansion is at constant enthalpy*

$$\Delta H = \Delta(U + PV) = 0$$



# Systems at constant $T$ and Helmholtz free energy $F(T, V, N)$

- **The Helmholtz free energy  $F$**  is the thermodynamic potential given by the internal energy of a system minus the available heat exchange with the thermal bath fixed  $T$

$$F = U - TS$$

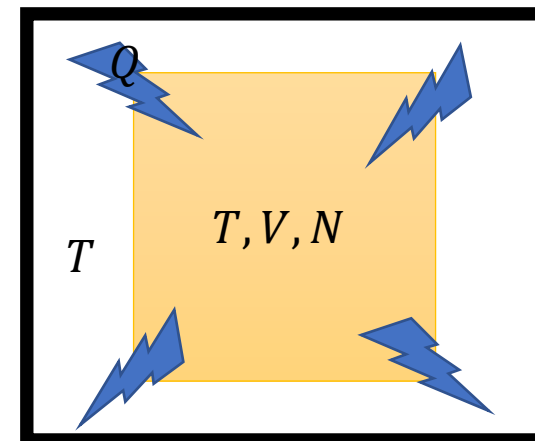
- It is the energy to create something (system) out of nothing when there is “free” heat supply from the environment
- An infinitesimal change in  $F$  is due to independent, infinitesimal changes in  $T, V, N$

$$dF = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_{V,N} dT + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_{T,N} dV + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial N}\right)_{T,V} dN$$

By defining  $S = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_{V,N}$ ,  $P = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_{T,N}$  and  $\mu = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial N}\right)_{T,V}$

- **Thermodynamic identity** for an infinitesimal **reversible** process

$$dF = -SdT - PdV + \mu dN$$



- The system + its thermal bath = isolated system. Hence total internal energy is conserved

$$d(U + U_{bath}) = 0 \rightarrow dU = -dU_{bath}$$

- System can exchange heat with its thermal bath, while both maintained the same temperature  $T$ . Using the conservation of energy and Clausius inequality

$$\delta Q_{bath} = -\delta Q = -dU \rightarrow \frac{\delta Q_{bath}}{T} = -\frac{dU}{T} \leq dS_{bath}$$

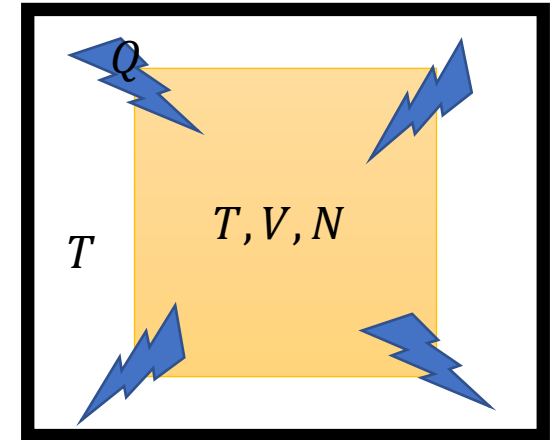
- Hence, the change in the total entropy,  $S_t = S + S_{bath}$ , is

$$dS + dS_{bath} \geq dS - \frac{dU}{T} \geq 0 \rightarrow \frac{TdS - dU}{T} \geq 0$$

- *Minimizing the Helmholtz free energy is equivalent to maximizing the total entropy*

$$dS_t \geq 0 \rightarrow d(U - TS) \leq 0 \rightarrow dF \leq 0$$

- Describing the system by its Helmholtz free energy, we capture the evolution of **both the system and its thermal bath in accord to the thermodynamic principles**



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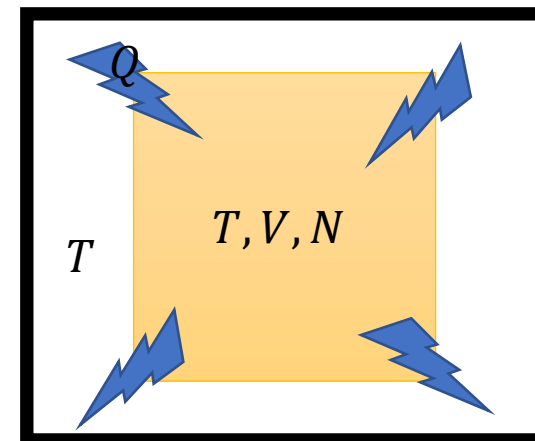
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$$dU - d(TS) \leq -TdS - PdV + \mu dN$$

$$**dF \leq -SdT - PdV + \mu dN**$$

- Any change in  $F$  when  $T$ ,  $V$ , and  $N$  are fixed must be  $dF|_{T,V,N} \leq 0$ . This is to *lower  $F$  to its minimum value at equilibrium*
- Reversible process at fixed  $T$ ,  $V$ , and  $N$  means that  $F$  is **conserved**:  $dF|_{T,V,N} = 0$
- Reversible process at fixed  $T$ , and  $N$  means that :  $dF|_{T,N} = -PdV$
- Changes in  $F$  at a fixed  $T$  equals to the **available work** that a system can do.



# Systems at constant $T$ and $P$ and Gibbs free energy $G(T, P, N)$

- ❑ **The Gibbs free energy  $F$**  is the thermodynamic potential given by the internal energy of a system minus the available heat exchange plus the work done on the reservoir

$$G = U - TS + PV$$

- ❑ It is the energy to create something (system) out of nothing and put into an environment when there is “free” heat
- ❑ An infinitesimal change in  $G$  is due to independent, infinitesimal changes in  $T, P, N$

$$dG = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_{P,N} dT + \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial P}\right)_{T,N} dP + \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial N}\right)_{T,P} dN$$

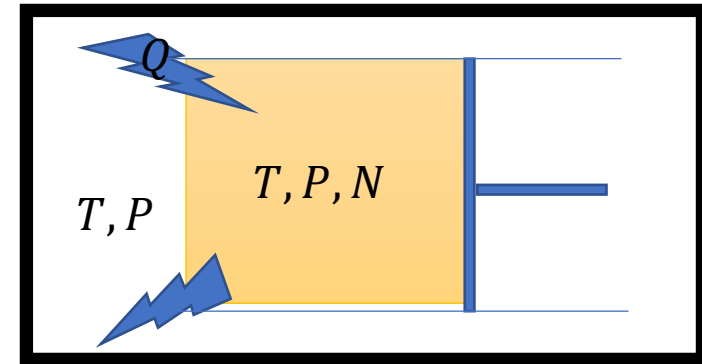
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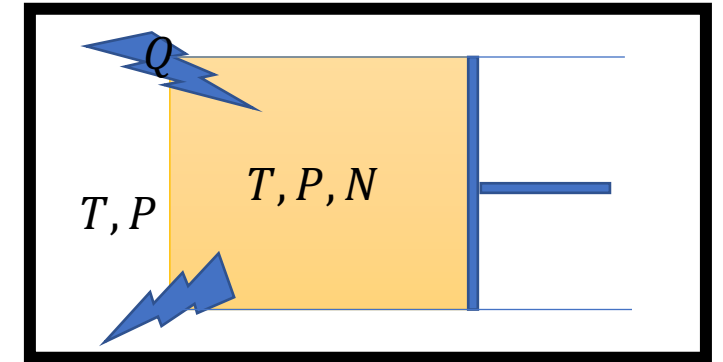
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- Any change in the Gibbs free energy  $G$  when  $T$ ,  $P$ , and  $N$  are fixed must be  $dG|_{T,P,N} \leq 0$   
Which is **to minimize  $G$  at equilibrium**
- Reversible process at fixed  $T$ ,  $P$ , and  $N$  means that  $G$  is **conserved**:  $dG|_{T,P,N} = 0$
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- Changes in  $G$  at a fixed  $T$  and  $P$  equals to the **available chemical work** to increase or decrease the number of particles, or any **other work which is not mechanical**



# Thermodynamic potentials are related by Legendre transforms

- The extensive variables ( $S, V, N$ ) and intensive variables ( $T, P, \mu$ ) are conjugate variables  
When one is an independent (control) variable fixed by the surroundings, its conjugate variable is a derivative:

$$\text{When } S \text{ is a control variable then } T = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial S} \right)_{V,N}$$

- Variables like  $S$  are hard to control experimentally, hence it is better to transform the internal energy  $U$  into another thermodynamic potential that has instead  $T$  as a natural variable
- Legendre transform does precisely this: it is a transformation from one thermodynamic potential to another by changing between conjugate variables

Example: the transformation from internal energy  $U(S, V, N)$  to enthalpy  $H(S, P, N)$

$$U(S, V, N) \rightarrow H(S, P, N)$$

$$H(S, P, N) = U(S, V, N) + PV, \text{ where } P = - \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_{S,N}$$

Example in mechanics:

$$L(q, \dot{q}) = K(\dot{q}) - U(q), \quad p = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}}$$

$$-H(p, q) = L(q, \dot{q}) - p \dot{q} \rightarrow H(p, q) = K(p) + U(q), \quad K = m \frac{\dot{q}^2}{2} = \frac{p^2}{2m}$$

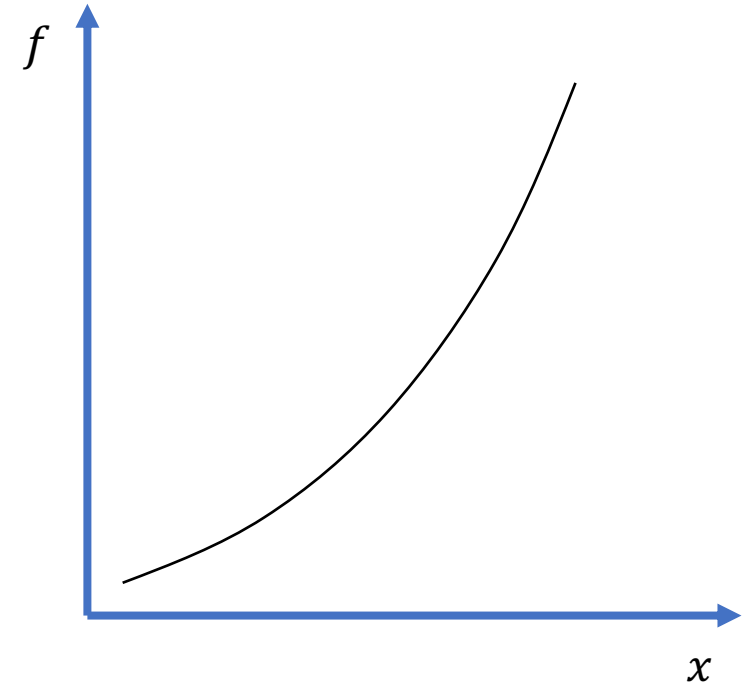
# Legendre transform: graphic interpretation

*Given a function of  $x$  with the slope  $u$*

$$f(x), \quad \text{with } u = \frac{df}{dx}$$

The Legendre transform is

$$g(u) = f(x) - ux,$$



# Legendre transform

Suppose we have a function  $F(x, y)$  where  $z = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\right)_y$  then the function  $G(z, y)$  is related to  $F(x, y)$  by the Legendre transform

$$G(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}) = F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{z}\mathbf{x}$$

**Proof:**

$$d(F - \mathbf{z}\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\right)_y dx + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\right)_x dy - zdx - xdz$$

$$d(F - \mathbf{z}\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\right)_x dy - xdz, \quad \text{using that } z = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\right)_y$$

The y-dependence is not changed thus  $\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\right)_x = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial y}\right)_z$ . Also  $G = F(x, y) - \mathbf{z}\mathbf{x} \rightarrow x = -\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial z}\right)_y$

$$d(F - \mathbf{z}\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\right)_x dy - xdz = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial y}\right)_z dy + \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial z}\right)_y dz = dG$$

Legendre transforms:

$$U(S, V, N)$$

$$H(S, P, N) = U(S, V, N) + PV, P = - \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_{S, N}$$

$$F(T, V, N) = U(S, V, N) - TS, T = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial S} \right)_{V, N}$$

$$G(T, P, N) = U(S, V, N) - TS + PV$$

Thermodynamic identities

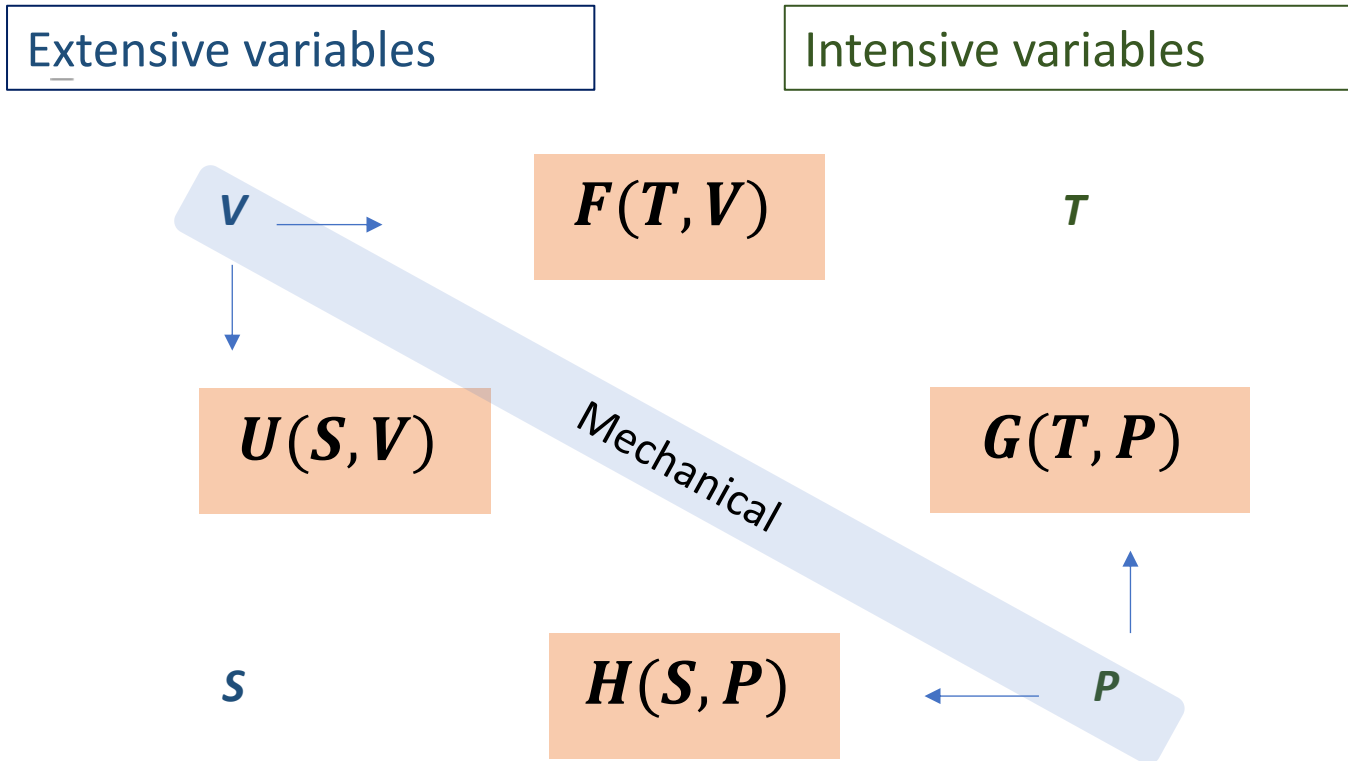
$$dU = TdS - PdV + \mu dN$$

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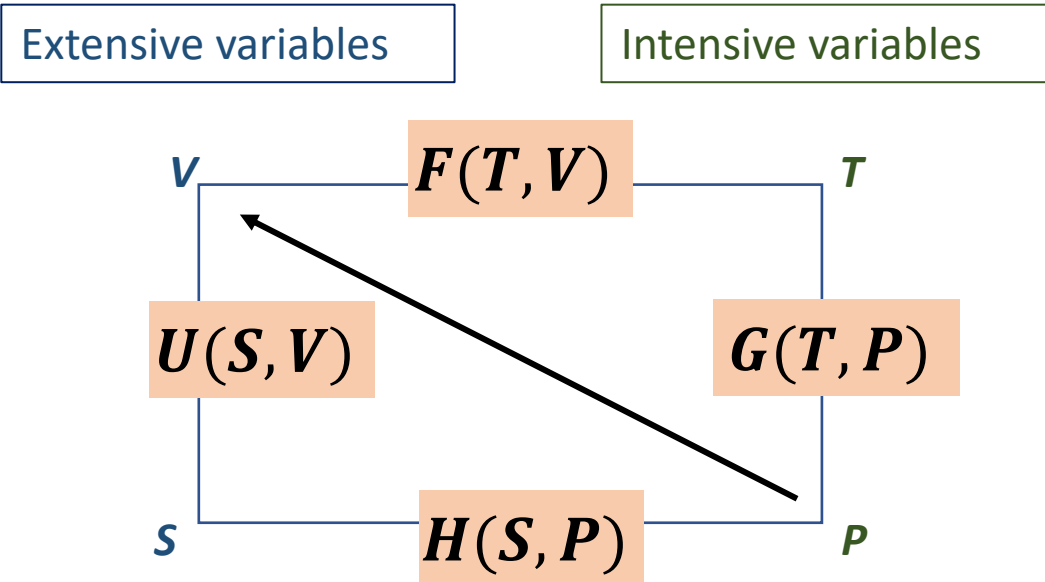
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$$H(S, P) = U(S, V) + PV$$

$$G(T, P) = F(T, V) + PV$$

# Thermodynamic square

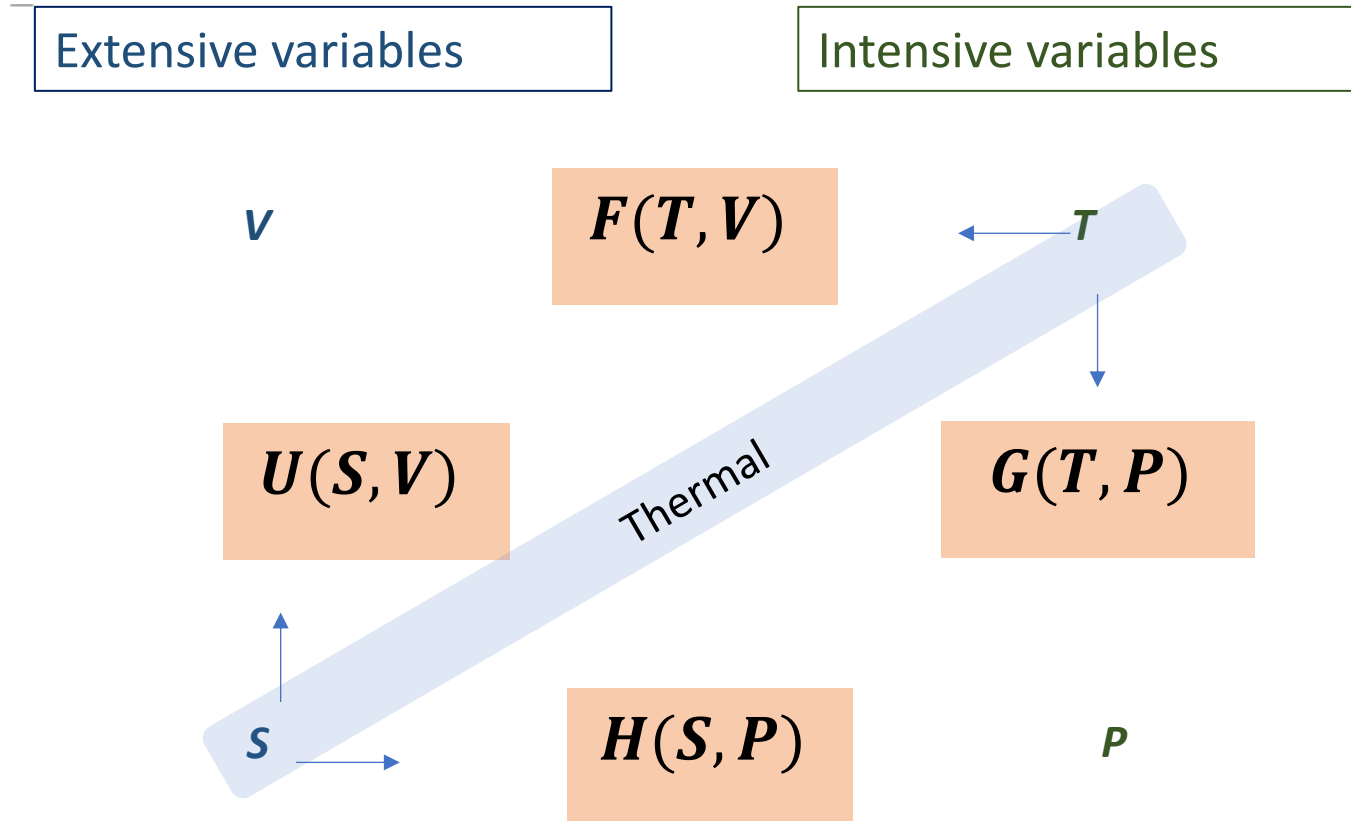


- Derivative of the thermodynamic potential with respect to one of its arguments while keeping the other constant is determined by going along a diagonal line either with(+) or against(-) the direction of the arrow

$$P = - \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_S = - \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial V} \right)_T$$

$$V = \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial P} \right)_T = \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial P} \right)_S$$

# Thermodynamic square



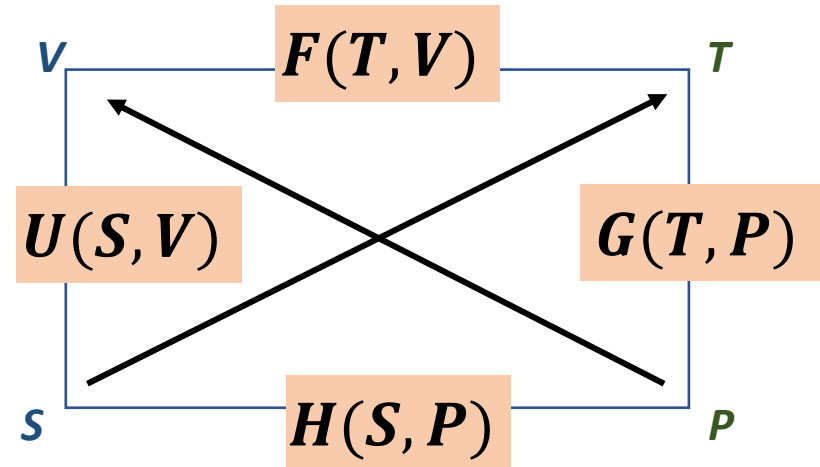
$$G(T, P) = H(S, P) - TS$$

$$F(T, V) = U(S, V) - TS$$

# Thermodynamic square

Extensive variables

Intensive variables



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$$S = - \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial T} \right)_V = - \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial T} \right)_P$$

$$T = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial S} \right)_V = \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial S} \right)_P$$



# Maxwell's relations

$$dU = TdS - PdV$$
$$dU = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S}\right)_V dS + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_S dV$$

- Thermodynamic potential  $U$  is a state variable, which implies that  $\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial S \partial V} = \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial V \partial S}$

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial V} \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S}\right)_V\right)_S = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial S} \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_S\right)_V \rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial V}\right)_S = -\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial S}\right)_V$$

- Other Maxwell relaxations follow from the other thermodynamic potentials
- Used to compute relations between response functions: heat capacities, thermal expansion coefficients

# Maxwell's relations

$$dF = -SdT - PdV$$
$$dF = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_V dT + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_T dV$$

- Find the Maxwell's relation corresponding to  $F(T, V)$

## Extensive thermodynamic potentials:

Thermodynamic potentials are extensive functions: invariant under dilation

- $U(S, V, N) = N \tilde{U}(\tilde{S}, \tilde{V}), \tilde{S} = S/N$  and  $\tilde{V} = V/N$
- $H(S, P, N) = N \tilde{H}(\tilde{S}, P), \tilde{S} = S/N$
- $F(T, V, N) = N \tilde{F}(T, \tilde{V}), \tilde{V} = V/N$
- $G(T, P, N) = N \tilde{G}(T, P)$

# Gibbs free energy $G(T, P, N)$ and chemical potential $\mu$

- Gibbs free energy  $G(T, P, N)$  is an extensive thermodynamic potential. Since,  $T$  and  $P$  are intensive variable, the only extensive variable that it depends on is  $N$ , therefore

$$G(T, P, N) = NG(T, P, 1)$$

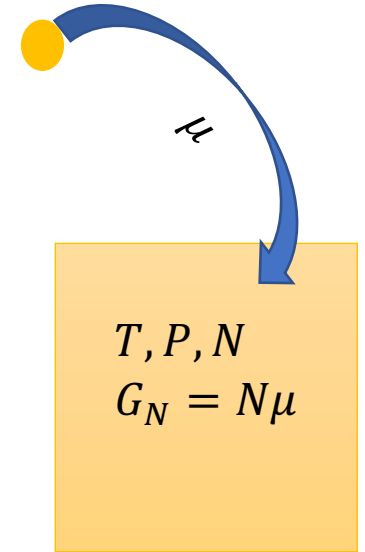
Combining this with the definition of the chemical potential

$$\mu = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial N}\right)_{T,P} = G(T, P, 1) = \frac{G(T,P,N)}{N}$$

- $$\mu(T, P) = \frac{G(T,P,N)}{N}, \quad G(T, P, N) = N\mu(T, P)$$

Chemical potential is the Gibbs free energy per unit particle at fixed pressure  $P$  and temperature  $T$

- This means that when we add a particle to the system, its Gibbs energy increases by one unit equal to  $\mu$
- By adding more particles we don't change the value of  $\mu$ : *each particles comes with the same amount of energy independent of the density of particles in the system when we keep the pressure and temperature constant!*
- In all the other thermodynamics conditions described by  $U$ ,  $H$  and  $F$ ,  $\mu$  can vary with  $N$



## Gibbs-Duham relation:

Gibbs free energy:  $G = U - TS + PV = N\mu$

Euler equation:  $U = ST - PV + \mu N$

$$dG = -SdT + VdP + \mu dN = Nd\mu + \mu dN \rightarrow$$

$$\textit{Gibb-Duham relation } SdT - VdP + Nd\mu = 0$$

*For a multi-component system at constant  $T$  and  $P$ ,*

$$\sum_i N_i d\mu_i = 0$$

Thermodynamic equilibrium condition for the chemical potentials in multi-component systems

# Heat Capacity at constant volume $C_V$

How much heat is needed to raise the  $T$  of an object by a small amount  $dT$  by keeping the volume constant?

$$C_V \equiv \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial T} \right)_V, \quad [C_V] = 1 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

**Reversible process:**  $\delta Q = T dS \rightarrow C_V = \left( T \frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_V$

$$T dS = dU + P dV = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_V dT + \left[ P + \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_T \right] dV \rightarrow C_V = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_V$$

So, if we know the heat capacity of a system, we can immediately estimate the change in its internal energy and entropy upon a *reversible* change in  $T$  at fixed  $V$

$$dU = C_V dT, \quad dS = C_V \frac{dT}{T}$$

# Heat Capacity at constant pressure $C_P$

How much heat is needed to raise the  $T$  of a system by a small amount  $dT$  when keeping the pressure constant?

$$C_P \equiv \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial T} \right)_P, \quad [C_P] = 1 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

**Reversible process:**  $\delta Q = TdS \rightarrow C_P = \left( T \frac{\partial S}{\partial T} \right)_P$

$$TdS = dU + PdV = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_P dT + \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial P} \right)_T dP + PdV \rightarrow C_P = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial T} \right)_P + P \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_P \rightarrow C_P = \left( \frac{\partial (U + PV)}{\partial T} \right)_P$$
$$C_P = \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial T} \right)_P$$

So, if we know the heat capacity of a system, we can immediately estimate the change in its enthalpy and entropy upon a *reversible* change in  $T$  at fixed  $P$

$$dH = C_P dT, \quad dS = C_P \frac{dT}{T}$$

$$C_P = C_V + \left[ P + \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial V} \right)_T \right] \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_P, \text{ for ideal gas: } C_P = C_V + Nk$$

# Compressibility and thermal expansion coefficients

*How much the volume changes upon changes in pressure at constant temperature or **entropy**?*

$$\kappa_T = -\frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \right)_T > 0$$

$$\kappa_S = -\frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial P} \right)_S > 0$$

*How much the volume changes upon changes in temperature at constant **pressure**?*

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{V} \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_P > 0$$

Ideal gas:  $\kappa_T = \frac{1}{P}, \alpha = \frac{1}{T}$



# Thermodynamic stability

- *Response functions  $C_V, C_P, \kappa_T, \kappa_S, \alpha$  are positive well-defined quantities*
- *An equilibrium state is stable upon thermal fluctuations as long as the system spontaneously returns to this state every time it is kicked away from it (by thermal fluctuations)*
- When this condition fails, the thermodynamic state becomes unstable and the system undergoes *a phase transition*

# Thermodynamic stability

*Spontaneous fluctuations in an **isolated** system can bring the system out of its equilibrium state.*

Thermodynamic stability of an equilibrium state is that a spontaneous fluctuation will increase the energy of the *isolated* system  $U_{\text{final}} > U_{\text{eq}}$ . Then, the system will spontaneously return to its favored equilibrium

Denote  $\delta U = U_{\text{final}} - U_{\text{eq}}$ ,  $\delta S = S_{\text{final}} - S_{\text{eq}}$ ,  $\delta V = V_{\text{final}} - V_{\text{eq}}$

$$\delta U = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial S}\right)_V \delta S + \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial V}\right)_S \delta V + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial S^2}\right) \delta S^2 + 2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial S \partial V}\right) \delta S \delta V + \left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial V^2}\right) \delta V^2 \right] \geq 0$$

Using that  $dU = TdS - PdV$

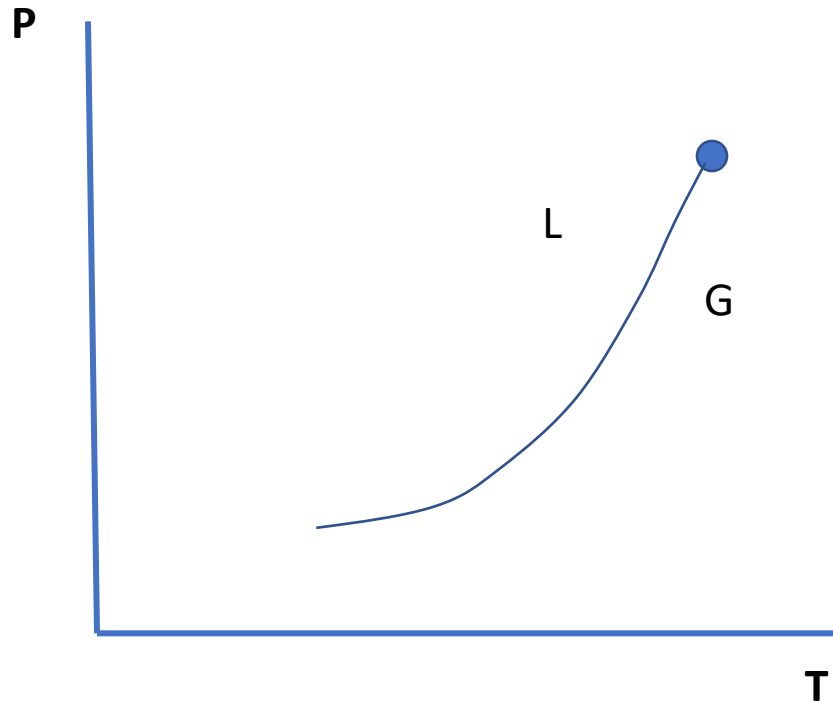
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$$\bullet \left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial S^2}\right) = \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial S}\right)_V = \frac{T}{c_V} \geq 0, \quad \left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial V^2}\right) = -\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial V}\right)_S = \frac{1}{V\kappa_S} \geq 0$$

$$\bullet \left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial S^2}\right) \left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial V^2}\right) - \left(\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial S \partial V}\right)^2 \geq 0 \rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial V}\right)_S^2 \geq \frac{T}{Vc_V\kappa_S}$$

# Phase transitions

Liquid-Gas coexistence phase boundary



Equilibrium conditions along the coexistence curve:

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$$dG = 0$$
$$\mu_l(T, P) = \mu_g(T, P)$$

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$$d\mu_l = d\mu_g$$

Using Gibbs-Duham equation

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Clausius-Clapeyron equation

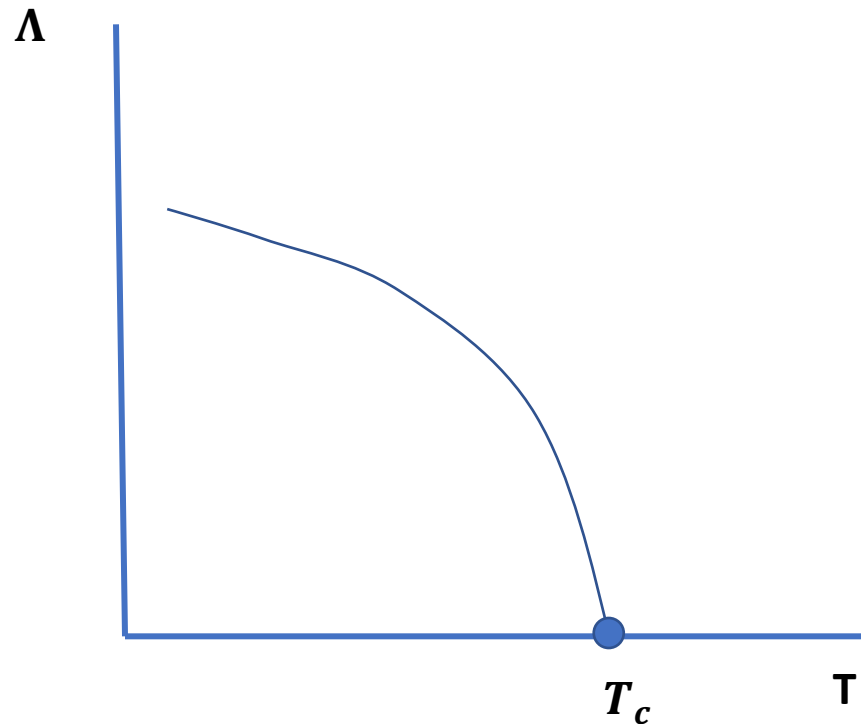
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- Discontinuous PT: first order derivative of the thermodynamic potential (TP) has a discontinuity across a phase boundary
  - $v_g \neq v_l$  this  $\frac{\partial G}{\partial P}$  is discontinuous
  - $S_g \neq S_l$  this  $\frac{\partial G}{\partial T} = -S$  is discontinuous
- *Continuous PT*: second order derivative of the thermodynamic potential has a singularity
  - Heat capacity at the critical point of fluids
  - Magnetic susceptibility at the para/ferromagnetic transition

