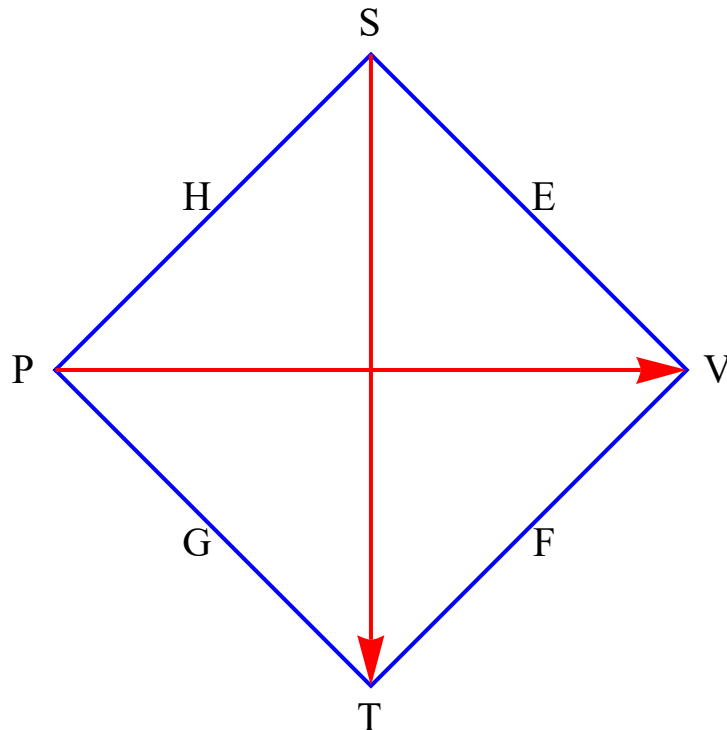


**Maxwell's relation: Born Diagram**  
**Masatsugu Sei Suzuki**  
**Department of Physics, SUNY at Binghamton**  
**(Date: August 29, 2016)**

**1. Born diagram**

**(N. Hashitsume, Thermodynamics, Iwanami)**

In thermodynamics, we often use the following four thermodynamic potentials,  $E$ ,  $F$ ,  $G$ , and  $H$ . The diagram (called the Born's diagram) was introduced by Born (Max). In order to memorize this diagram, we give interpretation for the letters. The sun ( $S$ ; entropy) pours lights on the trees ( $T$ ; temperature). The water falls from the peak ( $P$ ; pressure) of mountain into the valley ( $V$ ; volume). We draw a square with four vertices noted by  $S$ ,  $T$ ,  $P$ , and  $V$ . The light propagates from the point  $S$  to the point  $T$ . The water flows from the point  $P$  to the point  $V$ . These two arrows are denoted by the vectors given by  $\overrightarrow{ST}$  (the direction of light flow) and  $\overrightarrow{PV}$  (the direction of water flow). These vectors are perpendicular to each other. The four sides of the square are denoted by  $E$ ,  $F$ ,  $G$ , and  $H$  in a clockwise direction. Note that the side  $H$  (H: heaven) is between two vertices  $S$  (sun) and  $P$  (peak).



**Fig.** Born diagram.  $S$ : entropy.  $T$ : temperature.  $P$ : pressure.  $V$ : volume.  $H$ : heaven (between  $S$  and  $P$ ).  $E \rightarrow F \rightarrow G \rightarrow H$  (clockwise). The water flow from  $P$  (peak) to  $V$  (valley). The sun light from  $S$  (sun) to  $T$  (tree). Note that  $U = E$ .  $F = E - ST$ .  $G = F + PV$ .  $H = E + PV$ .

- (i) The natural variables of the internal energy  $E$  is  $S$  and  $V$ .

$$dE = TdS - PdV$$

The sign before  $T$  is determined as **plus** from the direction of the vector  $\overrightarrow{ST}$  ( $\overrightarrow{ST}$ : the direction of light). The sign before  $P$  is determined as **minus** from the direction of the vector  $\overrightarrow{VP} = -\overrightarrow{PV}$  ( $\overrightarrow{PV}$ ; the direction of water flow).

- (ii) The natural variables of the Helmholtz energy  $F$  is  $V$  and  $T$ .

$$dF = -SdT - PdV$$

The sign before  $S$  is determined as **minus** from the direction of the vector  $\overrightarrow{TS} = -\overrightarrow{ST}$  ( $\overrightarrow{ST}$ : the direction of light). The sign before  $P$  is determined as **minus** from the direction of the vector  $\overrightarrow{VP} = -\overrightarrow{PV}$  ( $\overrightarrow{PV}$ ; the direction of water flow).

- (iii) The natural variables of the Gibbs energy  $G$  is  $P$  and  $T$ .

$$dG = VdP - SdT$$

The sign before  $S$  is determined as **minus** from the direction of the vector  $\overrightarrow{TS} = -\overrightarrow{ST}$  ( $\overrightarrow{ST}$ : the direction of light). The sign before  $V$  is determined as **plus** from the direction of the vector  $\overrightarrow{PV}$  ( $\overrightarrow{PV}$ ; the direction of water flow).

- (iv) The natural variables of the enthalpy  $H$  is  $S$  and  $P$ .

$$dH = TdS + VdP.$$

The sign before  $T$  is determined as **minus** from the direction of the vector  $\overrightarrow{ST}$  ( $\overrightarrow{ST}$ : the direction of light). The sign before  $V$  is determined as **plus** from the direction of the vector  $\overrightarrow{PV}$  ( $\overrightarrow{PV}$ ; the direction of water flow).

### Maxwell's relation

(i) The internal energy  $E = E(S, V)$

For an infinitesimal reversible process

$$dE = TdS - PdV$$

showing that

$$T = \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial S} \right)_V \quad \text{and} \quad P = - \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial V} \right)_S$$

The Maxwell's relation;

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

**((Note))**

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial V} \right)_S &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial V} \right)_S \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial S} \right)_V \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial V \partial S} \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial S \partial V} \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial S} \right)_V \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial V} \right)_S \\ &= - \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial S} \right)_V \end{aligned}$$

(ii) The enthalpy  $H = H(S, P)$  is defined as

$$H = E + PV$$

For an infinitesimal reversible process

$$\begin{aligned} dH &= dE + PdV + VdP \\ &= TdS - PdV + PdV + VdP \\ &= TdS + VdP \end{aligned}$$

showing that

$$T = \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial S} \right)_P \quad \text{and} \quad V = \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial P} \right)_S.$$

The Maxwell's relation:

$$\left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial P} \right)_S = \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} \right)_P$$

((Note))

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial P} \right)_S &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial P} \right)_S \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial S} \right)_P \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial P \partial S} \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial S \partial P} \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial S} \right)_P \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial P} \right)_S \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} \right)_P \end{aligned}$$

(iii) The Helmholtz free energy  $F = F(T, V)$  is defined as

$$F = E - ST \quad \text{or} \quad E = F + ST$$

For an infinitesimal reversible process

$$\begin{aligned} dF &= dE - SdT - TdS \\ &= TdS - PdV - SdT - TdS \\ &= -PdV - SdT \end{aligned}$$

showing that

$$P = - \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial V} \right)_T \quad \text{and} \quad S = - \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial T} \right)_V$$

The Maxwell's relation:

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T = \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V$$

((Note))

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T &= -\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial V}\right)_T \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_V \\ &= -\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial V \partial T} \\ &= -\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial T \partial V} \\ &= -\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial T}\right)_V \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_T \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V\end{aligned}$$

(iv) The Gibbs free energy  $G = G(T, P)$  is defined as

$$G = H - ST = (E + PV) - ST = F + PV$$

Then we have

$$dG = VdP - SdT$$

showing that

$$S = -\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_P \quad \text{and} \quad V = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial P}\right)_T$$

((Note))

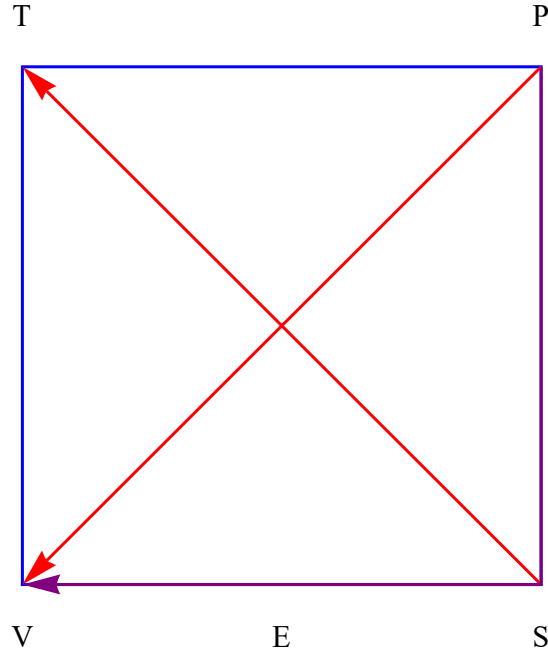
$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T &= -\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial V}\right)_T \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_V \\
 &= -\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial V \partial T} \\
 &= -\frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial T \partial V} \\
 &= -\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial T}\right)_V \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_T \\
 &= \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V
 \end{aligned}$$

(1) The Maxwell's equation:

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial P}\right)_T = -\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_P$$

Here we consider the Maxwell's relation  $\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial V}\right)_S = -\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial S}\right)_V$

For  $\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial S}\right)_V$ , in the Born diagram, we draw the lines along the vectors  $\overrightarrow{PS}$  and  $\overrightarrow{SV}$ . The resulting vector is  $\overrightarrow{PV} = \overrightarrow{PS} + \overrightarrow{SV}$  (the direction of water flow)



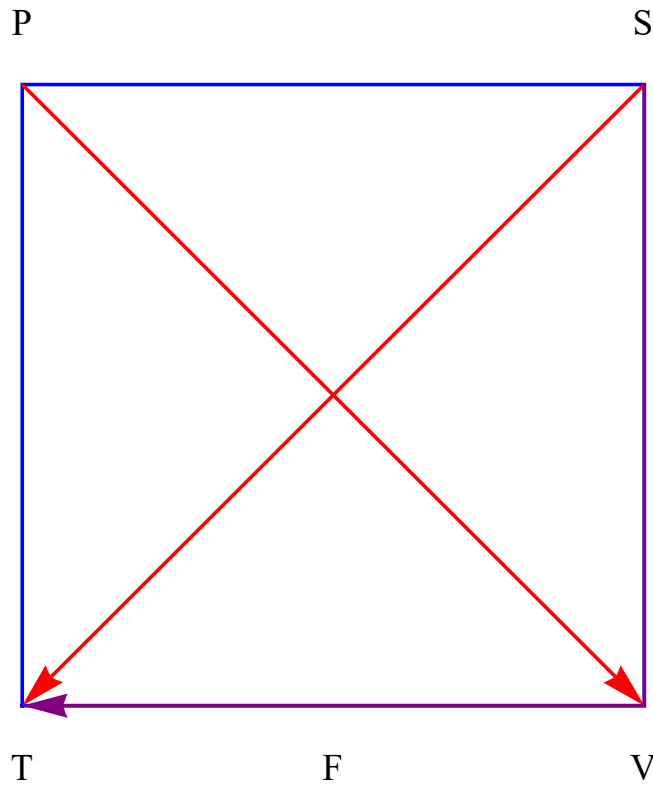
For  $\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial V}\right)_S$ , in the Born diagram, we draw the lines along the vectors  $\overrightarrow{TV}$  and  $\overrightarrow{VS}$ . The resulting vector is  $\overrightarrow{TS} = \overrightarrow{TV} + \overrightarrow{VS} = -\overrightarrow{ST}$  (anti-parallel to the propagating direction of light). Then we have the negative sign in front of  $\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial S}\right)_V$  such that

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

(ii) Maxwell's relation  $\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T = \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V$

Here we consider the Maxwell's relation  $\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T = \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V$

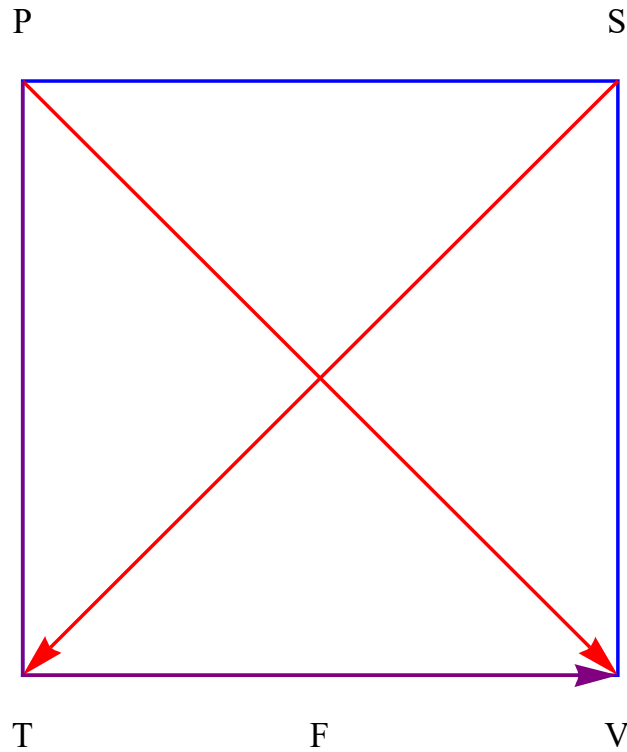
For  $\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T$ , in the Born diagram, we draw the lines along the vectors  $\overrightarrow{SV}$  and  $\overrightarrow{VT}$ . The resulting vector is  $\overrightarrow{ST} = \overrightarrow{SV} + \overrightarrow{VT}$  (the direction of sun light)



For  $\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V$ , in the Born diagram, we draw the lines along the vectors  $\overrightarrow{PT}$  and  $\overrightarrow{TV}$ . The resulting vector is  $\overrightarrow{PV} = \overrightarrow{PT} + \overrightarrow{TV}$  (the direction of water flow). Then we have the positive sign in front of  $\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V$  such that

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_T = \left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial T}\right)_V$$





## 2. Alternative derivation of Maxwell's relations (Blundell and Blundell)

The following derivation is more elegant, but requires a knowledge of Jacobians: Consider a cyclic process which can be described in both the  $T$ - $S$  and  $P$ - $V$  planes. The internal energy  $U$  is a state function and therefore does not change in a cycle, so

$$\oint dU = \oint TdS - \oint PdV = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \oint TdS = \oint PdV$$

This is equivalent to

$$\iint dTdS = \iint dPdV$$

So that the work done (the area enclosed by the cycle in the  $P$ - $V$  plane) is equal to the heat absorbed (the area enclosed by the cycle in the  $T$ - $S$  plane). However, one can also write

$$\iint dPdV = \iint \frac{\partial(P, V)}{\partial(T, S)} dTdS = \iint dTdS$$

or

$$\iint dTdS = \iint \frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(P,V)} dPdV = \iint dPdV$$

Where  $\frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(P,V)}$  is the Jacobian of the transformation from the  $T$ - $S$  plane to the  $P$ - $V$  plane, and so this implies that

$$\frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(P,V)} = 1.$$

Similarly we have

$$\frac{\partial(P,V)}{\partial(T,S)} = \frac{1}{\frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(P,V)}} = 1$$

Note that

$$\frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(P,V)} = 1$$

is correct, but  $\frac{\partial(S,T)}{\partial(P,V)} = -1$ . So we need to use the relation  $\partial(S,T) = -\partial(P,V)$

This equation is sufficient to generate all four Maxwell relations via

$$\frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(x,y)} = \frac{\partial(P,V)}{\partial(x,y)}$$

Where  $(x,y)$  are taken as

- (i)  $(T,P)$ ,
- (ii)  $(T,V)$
- (iii)  $(P,S)$ ,
- (iv)  $(S,V)$

And using the identities such as

$$\frac{\partial(P,T)}{\partial(V,T)} = \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial V} \right)_T$$

We use the relation

$$\frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(x,y)} = \frac{\partial(P,V)}{\partial(x,y)}$$

(a)  $x = P, y = T$

$$\frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(P,T)} = \frac{\partial(P,V)}{\partial(P,T)} \quad \text{or} \quad \left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial P} \right)_T = - \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial T} \right)_P$$

(b)  $x = T, y = V$

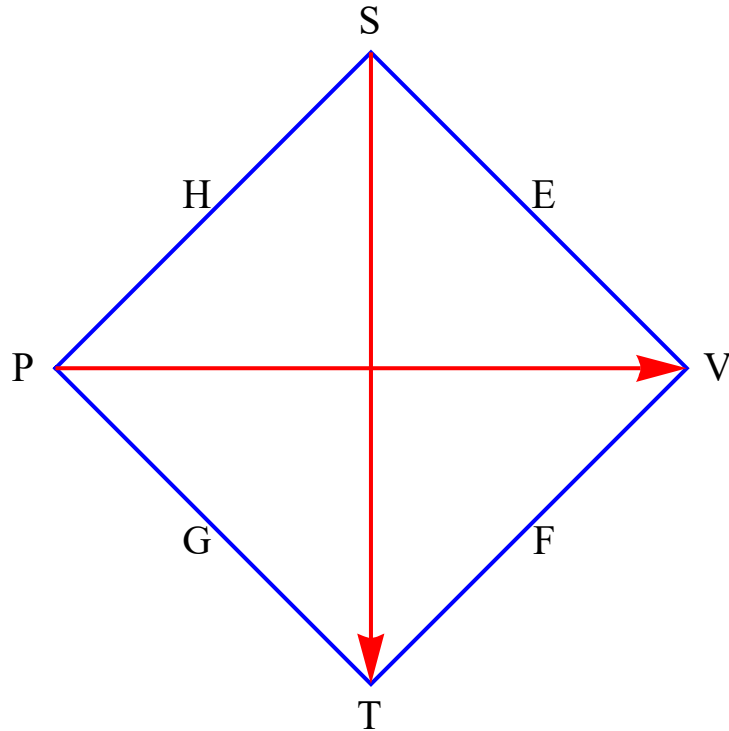
$$\frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(T,V)} = \frac{\partial(P,V)}{\partial(T,V)} \quad \text{or} \quad \left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial V} \right)_T = \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial T} \right)_V$$

(c)  $x = V, y = S$

$$\frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(V,S)} = \frac{\partial(P,V)}{\partial(V,S)} \quad \text{or} \quad \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial V} \right)_S = - \left( \frac{\partial P}{\partial S} \right)_V$$

(d)  $x = S, y = P$

$$\frac{\partial(T,S)}{\partial(S,P)} = \frac{\partial(P,V)}{\partial(S,P)} \quad \text{or} \quad \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial P} \right)_S = \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial S} \right)_P$$



### 3. Problem and solution (I)

C. Kittel and H. Kromer, Thermal Physics (W.H. Freeman, 1980).

#### Problem 9-1 (a part)

#### Thermal expansion near absolute zero

(a) Prove a Maxwell relation

$$\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_P = -\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial P}\right)_T$$

(b) Show that the volume coefficient of thermal expansion

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

approaches zero as  $T \rightarrow 0$ .

((Solution))

Then we have

$$dG = VdP - SdT$$

showing that

$$S = -\left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_P \quad \text{and} \quad V = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial P}\right)_T$$

Maxwell relation

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_P &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial T}\right)_P \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial P}\right)_T \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial T \partial P} \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial P \partial T} \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial P}\right)_T \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial T}\right)_P \\ &= -\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial P}\right)_T \end{aligned}$$

(b)

The volume coefficient of thermal expansion

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\right)_P = -\frac{1}{V} \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial P}\right)_T$$

$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial P}\right)_T$  vanishes for  $T = 0$ . since  $S = 0$  for  $T = 0$  K and any pressure. Then we have

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