

May 2004 SM #2

a. $E(\omega) = \hbar \omega n(\omega)$

$$E(\omega) = \hbar \omega \frac{1}{e^{\beta E} - 1} \quad E = \hbar \omega = \hbar c \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma} \omega^2 \right)^{1/3}$$

$$E(\omega) = \frac{\hbar \omega}{\exp(\beta \hbar c (\rho \omega^2 / \gamma)^{1/3}) - 1}$$

b. $E = \frac{A}{(2\pi)^2} \int_0^\infty E(k) 2\pi k dk$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{\gamma}{\rho} k^3$$

$$\frac{E}{A} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty E(\omega) \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma} \right)^{2/3} \omega^{1/3} d\omega$$

$$2\omega d\omega = \frac{\gamma}{\rho} 3k^2 dk$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{\gamma}{\rho} k^3 \right)^{1/2} d\omega = \frac{\gamma}{\rho} k^2 dk$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\gamma}} k d\omega = k dk$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma} \right)^{2/3} \omega^{1/3} d\omega = k dk$$

$$\frac{E}{A} = \frac{1}{3\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\hbar \omega}{\exp(\beta \hbar c (\rho \omega^2 / \gamma)^{1/3}) - 1} \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma} \right)^{2/3} \omega^{1/3} d\omega$$

Let $x = (\beta \hbar c)^{3/2} \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma} \right)^{1/2} \omega$

$$dx = (\beta \hbar c)^{3/2} \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma} \right)^{1/2} d\omega$$

$$x^{4/3} = (\beta \hbar c)^2 \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma} \right)^{2/3} \omega^{4/3}$$

$$\frac{E}{A} = \frac{1}{3\pi} \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma} \right)^{2/3} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\exp(x^{2/3}) - 1} \frac{x^{4/3}}{(\beta \hbar c)^2 (\rho/\gamma)^{2/3}} \frac{dx}{(\beta \hbar c)^{3/2} (\rho/\gamma)^{1/2}}$$

$$\frac{E}{A} = \frac{1}{3\pi} \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{k_B T}{\hbar c} \right)^{7/2} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\exp(x^{2/3}) - 1} x^{4/3} dx$$

$$\frac{C}{A} = \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left(\frac{E}{A} \right) = \frac{7}{6\pi} \frac{k_B}{\hbar c} \left(\frac{k_B T}{\hbar c} \right)^{5/2} \left(\frac{\rho}{\gamma} \right)^{1/2} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\exp(x^{2/3}) - 1} x^{4/3} dx$$

c. As $T \rightarrow \infty$ $e^{\beta E} \rightarrow 1 + \beta E$

$$E(\omega) = \hbar \omega \frac{1}{1 + \beta E} = \hbar \omega \frac{k_B T}{E}$$

$$\therefore \frac{E}{A} \sim T$$

Thus the heat capacity per unit area is a constant at high temperatures.