Phys. 807 — Statistical Mechanics

HW9 (due Tue Dec 6 at 4 p.m. in my mailbox).

- 1. Consider a two-dimensional electron gas in a magnetic field strong enough so that all particles can be accommodated in the lowest Landau level. Taking into account both orbital and spin paramagnetism, find the magnetization at absolute zero.
- 2. The energy levels of an atom with a magnetic moment μ in the magnetic field B have the values

$$E_m = -mB\mu/j \,,$$

where j is a positive fixed integer number and m is an integer varying from -j to +j.

For n atoms per unit volume, find

- (a) the magnetic moment M per unit volume of an ideal gas at the temperature T as a function of B and
- (b) the susceptibility

$$\chi = \left. \frac{\partial M}{\partial B} \right|_{H=0} \, .$$