Chem 2440 – HW #3.

Assigned Jan. 31, due Feb. 9.

- 1. Chandler, 3.18
- 2. Chandler, 3.19
- 3. Chandler, 3.23

4. Consider a single lattice model of a 4-unit polymer. In this model the polymer units (beads) are located on a square 2-dimensional lattice (i.e., the angles are 0, 90, 180 deg.) Suppose there is a stabilization energy of  $-\varepsilon$  when two non-bonded beads are nonadjacent sites. Assume all other interactions of 0. For simplicity redefine the zero of energy to correspond to the most stable arrangement.

- (i) How many microstates are there and what are there energies?
- (ii) Plot the population of the most stable configuration as a function of T? (Hint, calculate the population for kT = 0,  $0.5\epsilon \epsilon 2\epsilon 3\epsilon$ .
- (iii) Plot E and S vs. kT.