

Going from single particle to many-particle distribution functions

Assume non-interacting particles

Distinguishable particles $Q(N, V, T) = q^N$

Indistinguishable particles $Q(N, V, T) = \frac{q^N}{N!}$

Boltzmann statistics, holds approximately

Consider two distinguishable particles

$$Q = \sum_{i,j} e^{-(\varepsilon_i^a + \varepsilon_j^b)/kT} = \sum e^{-\varepsilon_i^a/kT} \sum e^{-\varepsilon_j^b/kT} = q^2$$

Now suppose the particles are indistinguishable

$$Q = \sum_{i,j} e^{-(\varepsilon_i + \varepsilon_j)/kT} \neq \sum e^{-\varepsilon_i/kT} \sum e^{-\varepsilon_j/kT} = q^2$$

The sum no longer factors

If fermions – two particles cannot be in the same level

If bosons, $\varepsilon_i + \varepsilon_j, \varepsilon_j + \varepsilon_i$ should not be counted separately

One can approximately fix this problem by \div by $N!$

$$Q = \frac{q^N}{N!} \quad \longleftarrow \quad \text{many-body problem reduced to a one-body problem}$$

Boltzmann statistics

- assumes # states \gg # particles
- ignores symmetry of wave function

valid at high T
(classical limit)

$$\begin{aligned} E &= N\bar{\varepsilon} = kT^2 \left(\frac{\partial \ln Q}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} \\ &= kT^2 \left[N \frac{\partial q / \partial T}{q} \right] = \frac{kT^2 N}{q} \frac{\sum \varepsilon_i e^{-\varepsilon_i/kT}}{kT^2} \\ &= N \frac{\sum \varepsilon_i e^{-\varepsilon_i/kT}}{q} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= q^N / N! \\ \ln Q &= N \ln q - \ln N! \\ &= N \ln q - N \ln N + N \end{aligned}$$

Fermi-Dirac and Bose-Einstein Statistics

fermions – no two can be in the same state

bosons – two or more can be in the same state

$n_k(E_j)$ = # molecules in k^{th} molecular level
with total energy E_j

$$E_j = \sum \varepsilon_K n_K, \quad N = \sum n_K$$

$$Q(N, V, T) = \sum_{\{n_K\}} e^{-\beta E_j} = \sum_{\{n_K\}}^* e^{-\beta \sum_i \varepsilon_i n_i}$$

$$* \Rightarrow \sum n_K = N$$

Different spin combinations are treated as different states

It is very difficult to simplify this.

The problem is simpler in the grand canonical ensemble

$$\Xi(V, T, \mu) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{\beta \mu N} Q(N, V, T)$$

$$\lambda = e^{\beta \mu}$$

$$= \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \lambda^N \sum_{\{n_K\}}^* e^{-\beta \sum_i \varepsilon_i n_i}$$

$$= \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\{n_K\}}^* \lambda^{\sum n_i} e^{-\beta \sum_j \varepsilon_j n_j}$$

$$= \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\{n_K\}}^* \prod_k (\lambda e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k})^{n_k}$$

The last step is possible because we are summing over all N

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{n_1=0}^{n_1^{\max}} \sum_{n_2=0}^{n_2^{\max}} \dots \prod_k (\lambda e^{-b\varepsilon_k})^{n_k} \\
&= \sum_{n_1=0}^{n_1^{\max}} (\lambda e^{-b\varepsilon_1})^{n_1} \sum_{n_2=0}^{n_2^{\max}} (\lambda e^{-b\varepsilon_2})^{n_2} \dots \\
&= \prod_k \sum_{n_k=0}^{n_k^{\max}} (\lambda e^{-b\varepsilon_k})^{n_k}
\end{aligned}$$

fermi-dirac

$$n_k = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

$$\Xi_{FD} = \prod_k (1 + \lambda e^{-b\varepsilon_k})$$

Bose-Einstein

$$n_k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \infty$$

$$\Xi_{BE} = \prod_k \sum_{n_k=0}^{\infty} (\lambda e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k})^{n_k} = \prod_k (1 - \lambda e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k})^{-1}, \quad \lambda e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k} < 1$$

Fermi-dirac

$$\bar{N} = N = \sum_k \bar{n}_k = kT \left(\frac{\partial \ln \Xi}{\partial \mu} \right)_{V,T} = \lambda \left(\frac{\partial \ln \Xi}{\partial \lambda} \right)_{V,T}$$

$$= \sum_k \frac{\lambda e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k}}{1 \pm \lambda e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k}} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} + \Rightarrow \text{FD} \\ - \Rightarrow \text{BE} \end{array} \right.$$

$$E = N\bar{\varepsilon} = \sum_k \frac{\lambda \varepsilon_k e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k}}{1 \pm \lambda e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k}}$$

$$\bar{n}_k = \frac{\lambda e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k}}{1 \pm \lambda e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k}}$$

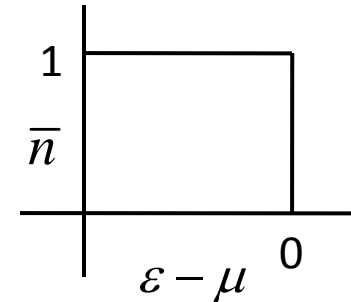
$$pV = \pm kT \sum_k \ln [1 \pm \lambda e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k}]$$

With FD or BE statistics q is no longer the key quantity.

Fermi-dirac

$$\bar{n}_k = \frac{\lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_k}}{1 + \lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_k}} = \frac{e^{-\beta(\epsilon_k - \mu)}}{1 + e^{-\beta(\epsilon_k - \mu)}} \text{ as } T \rightarrow 0$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow 0 \text{ if } \epsilon_k > \mu \\ \rightarrow 1 \text{ if } \epsilon_k < \mu \end{array} \right.$$



at finite T the populations are smeared out

Expect classical limit as $\lambda \rightarrow 0$

$$\bar{n}_k \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \lambda \rightarrow 0$$

small λ : $\bar{n}_k = \lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_k}$

$$\lambda = \frac{\sum \bar{n}_k}{\sum e^{-\beta \epsilon_k}} = \frac{N}{q}$$

Sum both sides over k and solve for λ

$$\frac{\bar{n}_k}{N} = \frac{e^{-\beta \epsilon_k}}{q}, \quad q = \sum_j e^{-\beta \epsilon_j}$$

As $N/V \rightarrow 0$ or $T \rightarrow \infty$

In these limits # quantum states \gg # of particles

for small λ we also have

$$pV = kT \lambda \sum_k e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k} = kT \lambda q$$

$$\beta pV = \lambda \sum e^{-\beta \varepsilon_k} = \lambda q$$

$$\beta pV = \ell n \Xi$$

Shown previously for
the GCE

$$\Xi = e^{\lambda q} = \sum \frac{(\lambda q)^N}{N!} = \sum Q \lambda^N$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = \frac{q^N}{N!}$$

Boltzmann
statistics

McQuarrie – Chapter 5: Ideal Gas of Atoms

electronic partition function – open shell systems
have to be treated carefully

$$\begin{array}{ll} O(1s^2 2s^2 2p^4) & {}^3P_2 (2J+1=5) \quad 0 \\ & {}^3P_1 (2J+1=3) \quad 158 \text{ cm}^{-1} \\ & {}^3P_0 (2J+1=1) \quad 226 \text{ cm}^{-1} \end{array}$$

keep in mind kT (room temp) $\sim 200 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

Also there is the possibility of excited nuclear levels (such states are separated by millions of eV – so can ignore.

There is a nuclear degeneracy term. Doesn't change in chemical reactions – so does not impact ΔE or ΔS .

$$Q = \frac{(q_{el})^N q_{tr}^N}{N!}$$

Partition function for ideal gas of atoms

$$q_{tr} = \left(\frac{2\pi mkT}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} V = \frac{V}{\Lambda^3},$$

$$q_{el} = \omega_1 + \omega_2 e^{-\beta \Delta \varepsilon_{12}} + \dots$$

$$A = -kT \ln Q = -NkT \ln \left[\left(\frac{2\pi mkT}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \frac{Ve}{N} \right] - NkT \ln \left[\omega_{e1} + \omega_{e2} e^{-\beta \Delta \varepsilon_{12}} + \dots \right]$$

Small-----

$$E = kT^2 \left(\frac{\partial \ln Q}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = \underbrace{\frac{3}{2} NkT}_{\text{transl}} + \frac{N \omega_{e2} \Delta \varepsilon_{12} e^{-\beta \varepsilon_{12}}}{q_{el}} + \dots$$

small

transl

$$\mu(T, P) = -kT \left(\frac{\partial \ln Q}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V} = -kT \ln \frac{q}{N}$$

$$= -kT \ln \left[\left(\frac{2\pi mkT}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} kT \right] - kT \ln q_e q_n + kT \ln P$$

$$= \mu_o(T) + kT \ln P$$