

Course 4. Quantum statistics

1) Maxwell - Boltzmann, Bose - Einstein, Fermi - Dirac

- many-body wave function
- MB statistics
- Grand canonical description of BE statistics
- " " FD "
- Classical limit and $\bar{n}_r$

Application I

- Fermions : conduction electrons in solids
- Ideal Bose gas : Bose - Einstein condensation
- photons : black-body radiation

Application II

(1) Maxwell - Boltzmann (MB),

Bose - Einstein (BE),

Fermi - Dirac (FD)

② Many-body wave functions

 N identical particles in volume V

Q_i : coordinate of the i th particle (spatial & spin)
 s_i : quantum number

$$\Psi = \Psi(s_1, \dots, s_N; Q_1, \dots, Q_N)$$

	classical MB	BE . boson	FD . fermion
total spin angular momentum		integer photon, He^+	half integer electron, He^3
	distinguishable	indistinguishable symmetric	indistinguishable antisymmetric
	$\psi_i(Q_A)\psi_j(Q_B)$	$\Psi(\dots Q_j \dots Q_i \dots) =$ $\Psi(\dots Q_i \dots Q_j \dots)$	$\Psi(\dots Q_j \dots Q_i \dots) =$ $-\Psi(\dots Q_i \dots Q_j \dots)$
		$\Psi_i(Q_A)\Psi_j(Q_B) +$ $\Psi_i(Q_B)\Psi_j(Q_A)$	$\Psi_i(Q_A)\Psi_j(Q_B) -$ $\Psi_i(Q_B)\Psi_j(Q_A)$
any # of particles in the same single particle state	Yes	Yes	No . Pauli exclusion principle

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symmetric / antisymmetric wave fu.

fermion $\Psi_{k_1 \dots k_N}^A(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \sum_P (-1)^P \hat{P} \phi_{k_1}(\vec{r}_1) \dots \phi_{k_N}(\vec{r}_N)$

$\uparrow$ permutation $\uparrow$ permutation operator

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \det \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{k_1}(\vec{r}_1) & \dots & \phi_{k_1}(\vec{r}_N) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \phi_{k_N}(\vec{r}_1) & \dots & \phi_{k_N}(\vec{r}_N) \end{pmatrix}$$

Slater determinant

boson $\Psi_{k_1 \dots k_N}^S(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N) = \text{Norm} \sum_P \hat{P} \phi_{k_1}(\vec{r}_1) \dots \phi_{k_N}(\vec{r}_N)$

$\downarrow$
 depends on how many of the quantum numbers
 $k_1, \dots, k_N$ are equal.

$N = \sum_i n_i$ n_i : # of bosons in the state k_i

$\Rightarrow \text{Norm} = [N! n_1! n_2! \dots]^{-1/2}$

fractional statistics

$$\Psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \vec{r}_3, \dots, \vec{r}_N) = e^{\pm i\pi\nu} \Psi(\vec{r}_2, \vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_3, \dots, \vec{r}_N)$$

ν : 2n boson

2n+1 fermion

fractional value.

✗ Origin of phase :

$$|\Psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \vec{r}_3, \dots, \vec{r}_N)|^2 = |\Psi(\vec{r}_2, \vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_3, \dots, \vec{r}_N)|^2 \because \text{indistinguishable}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \vec{r}_3, \dots) = e^{\pm i\pi\nu} \Psi(\vec{r}_2, \vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_3, \dots)$$

○ MB statistics

a gas of identical particles in a volume V

in equilibrium at the temperature T .

many-body state index: $R \rightarrow$ energy E_R particle # N
 single-particle " " : $r \rightarrow$ energy ϵ_r , particle # n_r

$$\begin{cases} E_R = \sum_r n_r \epsilon_r \\ N = \sum_r n_r \end{cases}, \quad n_r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$Z = \sum_{R_{\{n_1, n_2, \dots\}}} e^{-\beta E_R} \times \frac{N!}{n_1! n_2! \dots}$$

$\therefore$ for given values of $\{n_1, n_2, \dots\}$

we have $\frac{N!}{n_1! n_2! \dots}$ possible ways
 of arrangements.

Distinguishability $\rightarrow$ each of these arrangements
 should be regarded as a distinct
 state.

$$\Rightarrow Z = \sum_{n_1, n_2, \dots} \frac{N!}{n_1! n_2! \dots} (e^{-\beta \epsilon_1})^{n_1} (e^{-\beta \epsilon_2})^{n_2} \dots$$

$$= (e^{-\beta \epsilon_1} + e^{-\beta \epsilon_2} + \dots)^N$$

$\Leftarrow$ multinomial
 distribution

$$\ln Z = N \ln \left(\sum_r e^{-\beta \epsilon_r} \right)$$

$$\bar{n}_s = -\frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial \epsilon_s} \quad \left(= \frac{\sum_r n_s e^{-\beta \epsilon_r}}{Z} \right)$$

$$= N \frac{e^{-\beta \epsilon_s}}{\sum_r e^{-\beta \epsilon_r}}$$

Grand canonical description of BE statistics

Grand canonical partition function $\mathcal{Z}$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \sum_{\mathbf{r}} e^{-\beta(n_1 \epsilon_1 + \dots)} e^{-\alpha(n_1 + n_2 + \dots)}$$

Grand canonical $\Rightarrow$ We have no restriction such as $N = \sum n_r$.

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}$ is easier to be evaluated.

$$\mathcal{Z} = \sum_{n_1, n_2, \dots} e^{-(\alpha + \beta \epsilon_1)n_1} e^{-(\alpha + \beta \epsilon_2)n_2} \dots$$

$$= \prod_r \left(\sum_{n_r=0}^{\infty} e^{-(\alpha + \beta \epsilon_r)n_r} \right)$$

$$= \prod_r \frac{1}{1 - e^{-(\alpha + \beta \epsilon_r)}}$$

To achieve the convergence of the series
 $\cdot \cdot \cdot e^{-(\alpha + \beta \epsilon_r)} < 1$

$$\ln \mathcal{Z} = - \sum_r \ln(1 - e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_r})$$

Remember: $\bar{E} - TS - \mu \bar{N} = -kT \ln \mathcal{Z}$

, $\alpha = -\beta \mu$ (see the next page)

$$\bar{E} - TS = -kT \ln \mathcal{Z}(N)$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln \mathcal{Z}(N) = \alpha \bar{N} + \ln \mathcal{Z}$$

$$\bar{N} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \sum_{n_1, n_2, \dots} (n_1 + n_2 + \dots) e^{-\beta(n_1 \epsilon_1 + n_2 \epsilon_2 + \dots)} e^{-\alpha(n_1 + n_2 + \dots)}$$

$$= - \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{Z}}{\partial \alpha} = \sum_r \frac{1}{1 - e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_r}} = \sum_r \frac{1}{e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_r} - 1}$$

$$\bar{N} = \sum_r \frac{1}{e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_r} - 1}$$

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Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{n}_s &= \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \sum n_s e^{-\beta \epsilon_s} e^{-\beta (\epsilon_1 n_1 + \epsilon_2 n_2 + \dots)} e^{-\alpha (n_1 + n_2 + \dots)} \\
 &= + \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \frac{\partial \mathcal{Z}}{\partial (-\beta \epsilon_s)} \\
 &= - \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{Z}}{\partial \epsilon_s} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_s}}{1 - e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_s}} = \frac{1}{e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_s} - 1}
 \end{aligned}$$

($\sum_r \bar{n}_r = N$ is automatically satisfied.)

($\alpha = 0 \Rightarrow$ the case of photon.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial N} = -kT \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{Z}}{\partial N} = -kT \alpha \\
 &\Rightarrow \alpha = -\beta \mu
 \end{aligned}$$

Notice: $\bar{n}_s \in (0, \infty)$

$\Rightarrow$ The convergent condition $e^{-\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu)} < 1$

is consistent with the result $\bar{n}_s \in (0, \infty)$.

$\rightarrow$ For a Bose gas, $\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu) > 0$ is always satisfied.

But for a fermi gas, there is no restriction on the sign of $\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu)$.

$\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu)$ can be either positive or negative.

(see the next page.)

① Grand canonical description of FD statistics

$n_r = 0$ and 1 for each r .

(Pauli ^{exclusion} principle)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Z} &= \sum_{n_1, n_2, \dots} e^{-\beta(\epsilon_1 n_1 + \epsilon_2 n_2 + \dots)} e^{-\alpha(n_1 + n_2 + \dots)} \\ &= \left(\sum_{n_1=0}^1 e^{-(\alpha + \beta \epsilon_1) n_1} \right) \left(\sum_{n_2=0}^1 e^{-(\alpha + \beta \epsilon_2) n_2} \right) \left(\sum_{n_3=0}^1 e^{-(\alpha + \beta \epsilon_3) n_3} \right) \dots \\ &= \prod_{r=1}^{\infty} (1 + e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_r})\end{aligned}$$

$$\ln \mathcal{Z} = \sum_r \ln (1 + e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_r})$$

$$N = \bar{N} = - \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{Z}}{\partial \alpha} = \sum_r \frac{e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_r}}{1 + e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_r}} = \sum_r \frac{1}{e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_r} + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{N = \sum_r \frac{1}{e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_r} + 1}}$$

$$\bar{n}_s = - \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{Z}}{\partial \epsilon_s} = - \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{(-\beta) e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_s}}{1 + e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_s}} = \frac{1}{e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_s} + 1}$$

$$\ln \mathcal{Z} = -\alpha N + \ln Z$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln Z = \alpha N + \sum_r \ln (1 + e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_r})$$

* Note: see $0 \leq \bar{n}_s \leq 1$

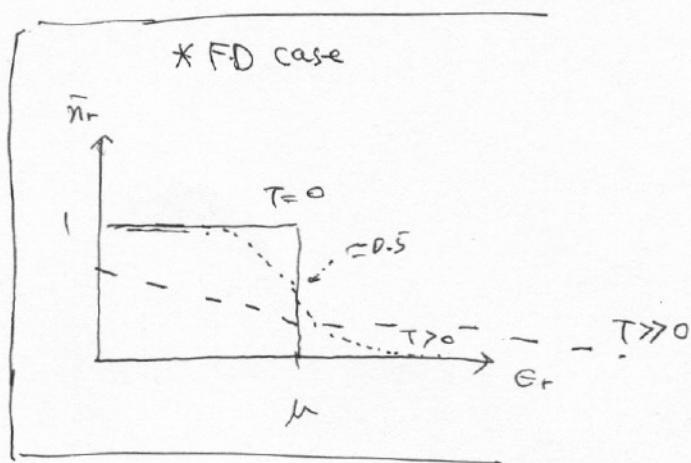
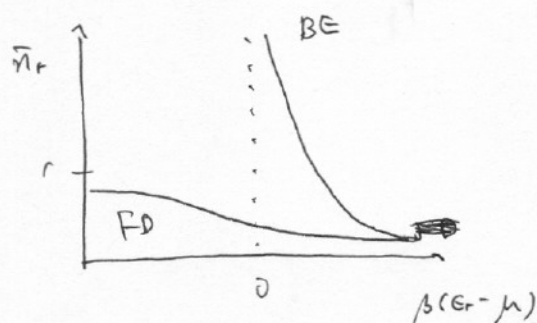
① $\bar{n}_r$

$$\bar{n}_r = \left\{ \frac{1}{\frac{e^{\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu)} \pm 1}{Ne^{-\beta\epsilon_r}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sum_r e^{-\beta\epsilon_r}}} \right.$$

+ : FD

- : BE

MB

* $\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu) \gg 1$:

FD, BE, and MB are identical.

~ classical limit

high temperature and fixed $N = \sum_r \bar{n}_r$
 very dilute ($\bar{n}_r \ll 1$)

Note: Do not confuse that this limit seems to occur at low temperatures. At high temperatures, one can find this limit, since μ is a function of (T, N, V)

Via $N = \sum_r \frac{1}{e^{\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu)} \pm 1}$

$$\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu) \gg 1 \Rightarrow \bar{n}_r \approx e^{-\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu)}$$

$$= N \frac{e^{-\beta\epsilon_r}}{\sum_s e^{-\beta\epsilon_s}}$$

→ MB.

$$e^{+\beta\mu} = \frac{N}{\sum_r e^{-\beta\epsilon_r}}$$

($\because N = \sum_r \bar{n}_r$)

* μ : Boson: $\bar{n}_r$ diverges as $\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu) \rightarrow 0^+$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{n}_r \in [0, N]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{the convergence condition } e^{-(\epsilon_r + \beta\epsilon_r)} < 1$$

$$\rightarrow \mu \leq \epsilon_r \text{ for all } r$$

Fermion :



To add one more fermion to the system,
we need the energy cost of μ .

($\because$ Pauli exclusion principle)

* fluctuations of n_r

$$\overline{\Delta n_r^2} = \overline{n_r^2} - \bar{n}_r^2$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_r} \right)^2 \ln \mathcal{Z}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon_r} \bar{n}_r = \frac{e^{\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu)}}{(e^{\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu)} \pm 1)^2}$$

+ : FD
- : BE

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\overline{\Delta n_r^2}}{\bar{n}_r^2} = \exp(\beta(\epsilon_r - \mu)) = \frac{1}{\bar{n}_r} \mp (\pm 1)$$

+ : FD
- : BE

For boson, the fluctuations are larger.

* partition function

$$\ln \mathcal{Z} = \alpha N \pm \sum_r \ln(1 \pm e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_r})$$

$$\simeq \alpha N \pm \underbrace{\sum_r \pm e^{-\alpha - \beta \epsilon_r}}_{\simeq N}$$

$$= \alpha N + N.$$

$$e^{-\alpha} = \frac{N}{\sum_r e^{-\beta \epsilon_r}} \Rightarrow \alpha = -\ln N + \ln \sum_r e^{-\beta \epsilon_r}$$

$$\ln \mathcal{Z} = N \ln \sum_r e^{-\beta \epsilon_r} - (N \ln N - N)$$

$$= \ln \mathcal{Z}_{MB} - \ln N!$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{Z} = \frac{1}{N!} \mathcal{Z}_{MB} \rightarrow \text{Gibbs factor}$$

(2) Applications I (Rev. chap. 9. Huang chap. 12.3)

~~① Ideal gas~~

- Fermions : conduction electrons in solids
- Ideal Bose gas : Bose-Einstein condensation
- photons : black-body radiation