# Pressure of ideal gas from the kinetic theory I

Molecule = point mass

N molecules of masses  $m_i$ , i = 1, ..., N, in a cube of edge L Velocity of molecule *i* is  $\vec{v}_i = (v_{i,X}, v_{i,Y}, v_{i,Z})$ After elastic reflection:  $v_{i,X} \rightarrow -v_{i,X}$ A molecule hits the same wall again after time  $t = 2L/v_{i,X}$ Force = change of momentum in a time unit Momentum  $\vec{P} = m\vec{v}$ Change of momentum =  $\Delta P_X = 2m_i v_{i,X}$ 

Averaged force caused by impacts of one molecule:

$$F_{i,x} = \frac{\Delta P_x}{t} = \frac{2m_i v_{i,x}}{2L/v_{i,x}} = \frac{m_i v_{i,x}^2}{L}$$

Pressure = force of all *N* molecules, divided by the area

$$p = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} F_{i,x}}{L^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i v_{i,x}^2}{L^3}$$

Kinetic energy of one molecule

$$\frac{1}{2}m_i|\vec{v}_i|^2 \equiv \frac{1}{2}m_iv_i^2 = \frac{1}{2}m_i(v_{i,x}^2 + v_{i,y}^2 + v_{i,z}^2)$$

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## Pressure of ideal gas from the kinetic theory II

Kinetic energy of gas = internal energy (monoatomic gas)

$$E_{\text{kin}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i v_i^2 = \frac{3}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i v_{i,x}^2$$

$$p = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i v_{i,x}^2}{L^3} = \frac{2E_{\text{kin}}}{3V}$$

In other words

$$pV = \frac{2}{3}E_{\rm kin} \stackrel{!}{=} nRT$$

Temperature is a measure of kinetic energy

Assumptions:

Pressure is a result of averaged impacts of molecules

We used the classical mechanics

## **Boltzmann constant**

Per one molecule:

$$n = \frac{N}{N_{\rm A}}$$

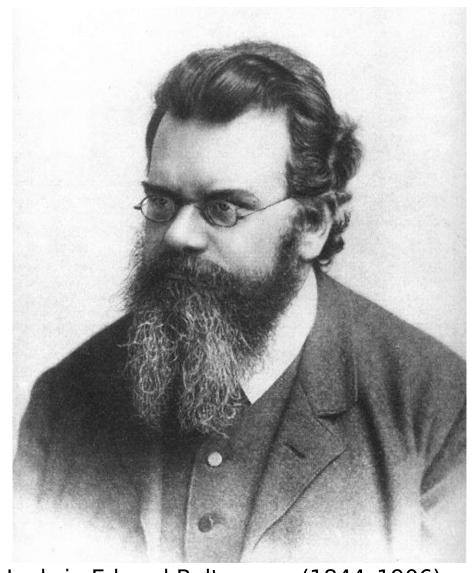
$$k_{\rm B} = \frac{R}{N_{\rm A}} = 1.38065 \times 10^{-23} \, {\rm J} \, {\rm K}^{-1}$$

Equation of state:

$$pV = nRT = Nk_{B}T$$

Internal energy:

$$U \equiv E_{\rm kin} = \frac{3n}{2}RT = \frac{3N}{2}k_{\rm B}T$$



Ludwig Eduard Boltzmann (1844–1906)

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# **Equipartition principle**

Expression  $E_{kin}$  is composed of f = 3N terms of the form  $\frac{1}{2}m_iv_{i,k}^2$ , where  $k \in \{x, y, z\}$ .

$$pV = Nk_{\rm B}T = \frac{f}{3}k_{\rm B}T = \frac{2}{3}E_{\rm kin}$$

f = number of mechanical degrees of freedom.
Average energy contribution per one degree of freedom:

$$\frac{E_{\rm kin}}{f} = \frac{1}{2} k_{\rm B} T$$

Generalization: any quadratic function in the Hamiltonian

Heat capacity in molar units  $(N = N_A)$ :

$$C_{Vm} = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T}\right)_{V} = \left(\frac{\partial E_{kin}}{\partial T}\right)_{V} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}fk_{B}T}{N_{A}T} = \frac{3}{2}R$$

Extension:

Linear molecules: + 2 rotations,  $C_{Vm} = \frac{5}{2}R$  (but: hydrogen)

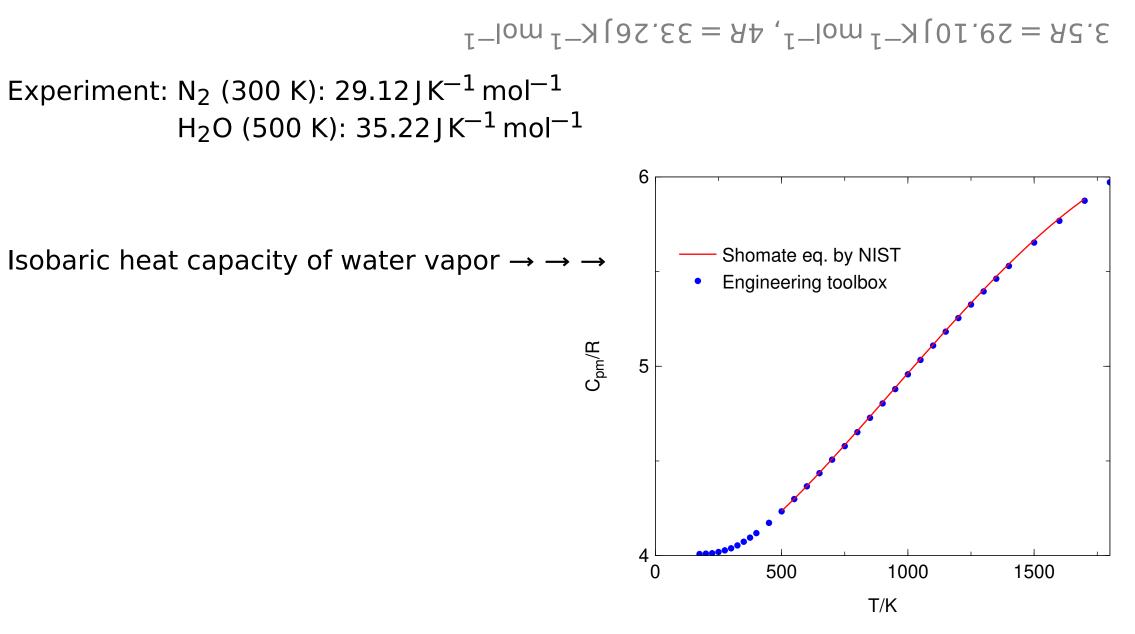
Nonlinear molecules: + 3 rotations,  $C_{Vm} = 3R$ 

(Vibrations classically: + 2 for each (incl. *E*pot) – imprecise!)

degrees of freedom per molec.

## **Equipartition principle – example**

Calculate  $C_{pm}$  for a) nitrogen, b) water vapor?



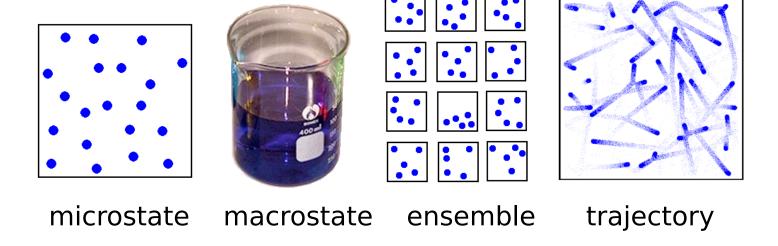
## Microstate, macrostate, ensemble, trajectory

**microstate** (state, configuration) = instantaneous "snapshot" at given time quantum description: state = eigenstate (wave function  $\psi$ ) classical description: state = positions and velocities<sup>\*</sup> of all particles at given time,  $\psi = (\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N, \vec{v}_1 \dots, \vec{v}_N)$ 

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- macrostate = averaged action of all microstates
- **ensemble** = set of all microstates with known probabilities  $\pi(\psi)$
- trajectory = record of a time development of a microstate



\*in fact, momenta – more later. There are  $\infty$  states, hence we work with their probability density  $\rho(\psi) \equiv \rho(\vec{r}_1, \ldots, \vec{r}_N, \vec{p}_1, \ldots, \vec{p}_N)$ .

#### [tchem/simolant1+2.sh] 7/32 **Microcanonical ensemble and ergodic hypothesis**

Microcanonical ensemble = ensemble of microstates in an isolated system (which has developed in time for a long time) for me: Also denoted as **NVE** (N = const, V = const, E = const)

**Ergodic hypothesis** (quantum):  $\pi(\psi_i) = \text{const} = \frac{1}{W}$ (W = # of states)

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## **Ergodic hypothesis** (classical):

trajectory covers the space<sup> $\dagger$ </sup> with uniform probability

## In other words:

Time average (over a trajectory)

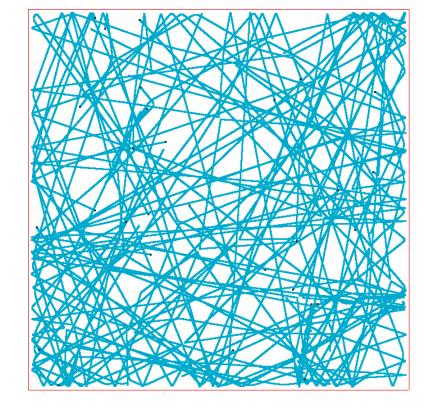
$$=\langle X\rangle_t = \lim_{t\to\infty}\frac{1}{t}\int_0^t X(t)\,\mathrm{d}t$$

= ensemble average

$$=\langle X\rangle = \frac{1}{W}\sum_{\psi}X(\psi)$$

for any quantity  $X = X(\psi)$ , where  $\psi = \psi(t)$ 

<sup>†</sup>namely: the phase state of  $\{(\vec{r}_1, \ldots, \vec{r}_N, \vec{p}_1, \ldots, \vec{p}_N)\}$ 



# Mean value in the microcanonical ensemble

$$\langle X \rangle = \frac{\sum_{\psi} X(\psi)}{W}$$

**Example.** You win \$5 if you throw **I** on a dice, you loose \$1 if you throw anything else. What is your mean (expected) win in this game?

Whole thermodynamics can be built on the top of the microcanonical ensemble. But for T = const it is much easier.

## We want T = const: Canonical ensemble

Also **NVT** (N = const, V = const, T = const) Ergodic hypothesis:  $\pi(\psi) = \pi(\mathcal{E}(\psi))$  $E_1 + E_2 = E_{1+2}$  (do not interact)  $\pi(E)$  = probability of any state with energy E

$$\pi(E_1) \cdot \pi(E_2) = \pi(E_{1+2}) = \pi(E_1 + E_2)$$

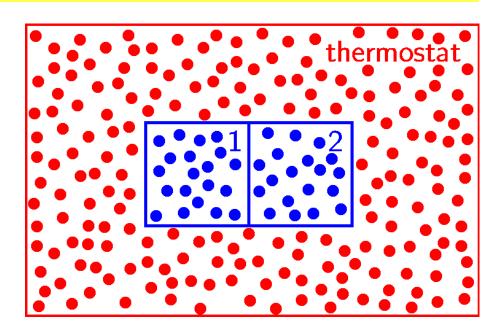
$$\Rightarrow \pi(E) = \text{const}^E = \exp(\alpha_i - \beta E)$$

**)** Oth Law  $\Rightarrow \beta$  is empirical temperature

 $\circ \alpha_i$  is system-dependent a normalizing const. so that  $\sum_{\psi} \pi(\psi) = 1$ 

**Determining**  $\beta$ : monoatomic perfect gas, per 1 atom  $U_1 = \frac{3}{2}k_BT$ 

$$\langle U_1 \rangle = \frac{\sum_{\psi} \mathcal{E}(\psi) \pi(\mathcal{E}(\psi))}{\sum_{\psi} \pi(\mathcal{E}(\psi))} = \frac{\int \frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2 \pi(\frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2) \, d\vec{v}}{\int \pi(\frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2) \, d\vec{v}}$$
  
Evaluation gives:  $\langle U_1 \rangle = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{\beta} \implies \beta = \frac{1}{k_{\rm B}T}$ 



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## **Determining** $\beta$

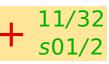
$$\langle U_1 \rangle = \frac{\int_{R^3} \frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2 \pi(\frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2) \, \mathrm{d}\vec{v}}{\int_{R^3} \pi(\frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2) \, \mathrm{d}\vec{v}}$$

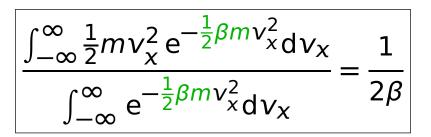
$$= \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2}m(v_{x}^{2} + v_{y}^{2} + v_{z}^{2}) e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta m v_{x}^{2}} dv_{x} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta m v_{y}^{2}} dv_{y} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta m v_{z}^{2}} dv_{z}}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta m v_{x}^{2}} dv_{x} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta m v_{y}^{2}} dv_{y} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta m v_{z}^{2}} dv_{z}}$$
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We have used the **Gauss integral**: 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ax^{2}} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} \text{ (where } a = \frac{1}{2}\beta m)$$

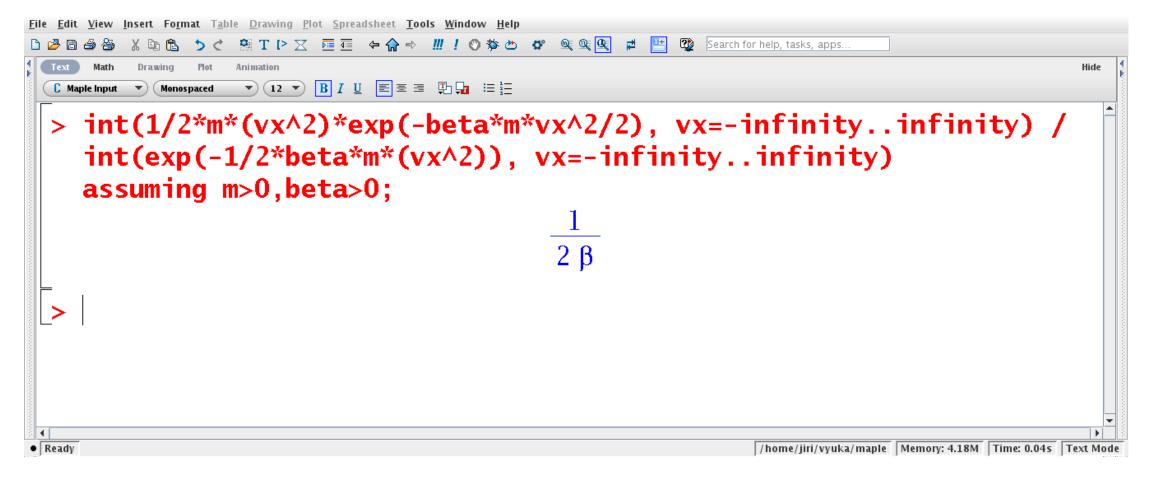
and its derivate by parameter *a*:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-ax^2} dx = -\frac{d}{da} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ax^2} dx = -\frac{d}{da} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} = \frac{1}{2a} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}}$$

# **Determining** $\beta$







## **Mean value in the canonical ensemble**

Generalization of the mean value (= expectation value):

$$\langle X \rangle = \sum_{\psi} X(\psi) \pi(\mathcal{E}(\psi)) = \sum_{\psi} X(\psi) e^{\alpha - \beta \mathcal{E}(\psi)} = \frac{\sum_{\psi} X(\psi) e^{-\beta \mathcal{E}(\psi)}}{\sum_{\psi} e^{-\beta \mathcal{E}(\psi)}}$$

## **Boltzmann factor:** $e^{-\mathcal{E}(\psi)/k_{B}T}$

**Example.** You win \$5 if you throw  $\textcircledightarrow and the discrete states on a dice, you loose $1 if you throw anything else. However, you have drilled a small lead weight under <math>\boxdot$  (opposite to  $\textcircledightarrow b)$ ) so that the probabilities are  $\pi(\textcircledightarrow b) = 0.2$  and  $\pi(\boxdotightarrow b) = \pi(\textcircledightarrow b) = \pi(\textcircledightarrow b) = 0.16$ . What is your mean (expected) win in this game?

# **Boltzmann probability**

... or the first half of statistical thermodynamics.

Probability of finding a state with energy  $\mathcal{E}$  is proportional to

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}(\mathcal{E}) = \operatorname{const} \cdot \exp\left[-\frac{\mathcal{E}(\psi)}{k_{\mathrm{B}}T}\right] = \operatorname{const} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E_{\mathrm{m}}}{RT}\right)$$



• a reacting system can overcome the activation energy  $E^*$  with probability ~  $\exp\left(-\frac{E^*}{RT}\right) \Rightarrow$  Arrhenius formula

$$k = A \exp\left(-\frac{E^*}{RT}\right)$$

The energy needed for transfering a molecule from liquid to gas is  $\Delta_{vap}H_m$  (per mole), probability of finding a molecule in vapor is proportional to  $\sim \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_{vap}H_m}{RT}\right) \Rightarrow$  Clausius–Clapeyron equation (integrated)

$$p = p_0 \exp\left[-\frac{\Delta_{\text{vap}} H_{\text{m}}}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T} - \frac{1}{T_0}\right)\right] = \text{const} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta_{\text{vap}} H_{\text{m}}}{RT}\right)$$



#### Boltzmann probability once again

Potential energy of a molecule in a homogeneous gravitational field  $U_{pot} = mgh$ . Probability of finding a molecule in height *h*:

$$\pi \propto \exp\left(-\frac{U_{\text{pot}}}{k_{\text{B}}T}\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{mgh}{k_{\text{B}}T}\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{Mgh}{RT}\right)$$

Probability  $\propto$  density  $\propto$  pressure:

$$p = p_0 \exp\left(-\frac{Mgh}{RT}\right)$$

The same formula can be derived from the condition of mechanical equilibrium + ideal gas equation of state

$$d\rho = -dh\rho g, \ \rho = \frac{M\rho}{RT}$$

Which "leads to" the Boltzmann probability

# **Boltzmann probability**

**Example** Energy of the *gauche* conformation of butane is by  $\Delta E = 0.9$  kcal/mol higher than *anti*. Calculate the population of molecules which are in the *gauche* state at temperature 272.6 K (boiling point). (1 cal = 4.184 J).

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## **Solution:**

$$\pi$$
(gauche):  $\pi$ (anti) = exp $\left(-\frac{\Delta E}{RT}\right) = 0.190$ 

Don't forget that there are two gauche states!

 $2\pi(gauche) + \pi(anti) = 1$ 

#### $\Rightarrow$

$$\pi = \frac{2 \exp(-\Delta E/RT)}{2 \exp(-\Delta E/RT) + 1} = \frac{2 \times 0.190}{2 \times 0.190 + 1} = 0.275$$

Note: we assumed that both minima are well separated and their shapes are identical. Better formula would be with  $\Delta G$  instead of  $\Delta E$ 

## **Thermodynamics**

Internal energy

$$U = \sum_{\psi} \mathcal{E}(\psi) \pi(\psi)$$

Its small change is

$$\mathrm{d} U = \sum_{\psi} \pi(\psi) \cdot \mathrm{d} \mathcal{E}(\psi) + \sum_{\psi} \mathrm{d} \pi(\psi) \cdot \mathcal{E}(\psi)$$

 $d\mathcal{E}(\psi)$ : energy level changed

 $d\pi(\psi)$ : probability of state  $\psi$  changed

Thermodynamics:

$$\mathrm{d}U = -p\,\mathrm{d}V + T\,\mathrm{d}S$$

 -p dV: A "piston" moved by dx. Change in energy = d𝔅(ψ) = mechanical work = -Fdx = -F/𝔄 · d(𝔄x) = -p(ψ) dV p(ψ) = "pressure of state ψ", pressure = p = Σ<sub>ψ</sub> π(ψ)p(ψ).
 TdS: Change π(ψ) [V] = change of the population of states with varying energies = heat

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## **Boltzmann equation for entropy**

... or the 2nd half of the statistical thermodynamics

$$\pi(E) = \exp(\alpha_i - \beta E) \implies \mathcal{E}(\psi) = \frac{1}{\beta} [\alpha_i - \ln \pi(\psi)]$$
$$\sum_{\psi} d\pi(\psi) \mathcal{E}(\psi) = \sum_{\psi} d\pi(\psi) \frac{1}{\beta} [\alpha_i - \ln \pi(\psi)] = -\frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{\psi} d\pi(\psi) \cdot \ln \pi(\psi)$$

$$= -k_{\rm B}T \,\mathrm{d}\left[\sum_{\psi} \pi(\psi) \ln \pi(\psi)\right]$$

On comparing with *T*d*S*:

$$S = -k_{\rm B} \sum_{\psi} \pi(\psi) \ln \pi(\psi)$$

Microcanonical ensemble:  $\pi(\psi) = \begin{cases} 1/W & \text{for } E = \mathcal{E}(\psi) \\ 0 & \text{for } E \neq \mathcal{E}(\psi) \end{cases}$ 

Boltzmann equation:  $S = k_{\rm B} \ln W$ 

Property:  $S_{1+2} = S_1 + S_2 = k_B \ln(W_1 W_2) = k_B \ln(W_{1+2})$ 



## **Example: Ideal solution**

Energies of neighbors:  $\bullet - \bullet = \bullet - \bullet = \bullet - \bullet$ All configurations have the same energy

Mix  $N_1$  molecules of  $1 + N_2$  molecules of 2:

$$W = \binom{N}{N_1} = \frac{N!}{N_1!N_2!}$$

$$S = k_{\rm B} \ln W \approx -k_{\rm B} \left( N_1 \ln \frac{N_1}{N} + N_2 \ln \frac{N_2}{N} \right)$$

$$S_{\rm m} = -R \left( x_1 \ln x_1 + x_2 \ln x_2 \right)$$

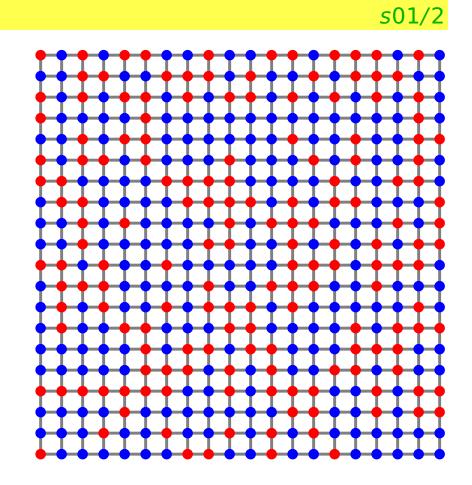
cf.  $S = -k_{\rm B} \sum_{\psi} \pi(\psi) \ln \pi(\psi)$ 

We used the Stirling formula,  $\ln N! \approx N \ln N - N$ :

$$\ln N! = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \ln i \approx \int_{0}^{N} \ln x \, dx \stackrel{\text{by parts}}{=} [x \ln x - x]_{0}^{N} = N \ln N - N$$

More accurately:

$$\ln N! \stackrel{\text{asympt.}}{=} N \ln N - N + \ln \sqrt{2\pi N} + \frac{1}{12N} - \frac{1}{360N^3} + \frac{1}{1260N^5} - + \cdots$$



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# **Example: Residual entropy of crystals at** $T \rightarrow 0$

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**Crystal:** 1 microstate  $\Rightarrow S = k_B \ln 1 = 0$  (3rd Law)

3rd Law violation: CO,  $N_2O$ ,  $H_2O$ . Not in the true equilibrium, but "frozen" because of high barriers

**Example 1:** Entropy of a crystal of CO at 0 K

 $S_{\rm m} = k_{\rm B} \ln 2^{N_{\rm A}} = R \ln 2$ 

Example 2: Entropy of ice at 0 K

 $S_{\rm m} = k_{\rm B} \ln 1.507^{N_{\rm A}} = 3.41 \, {\rm J} \, {\rm K}^{-1} \, {\rm mol}^{-1}$ 

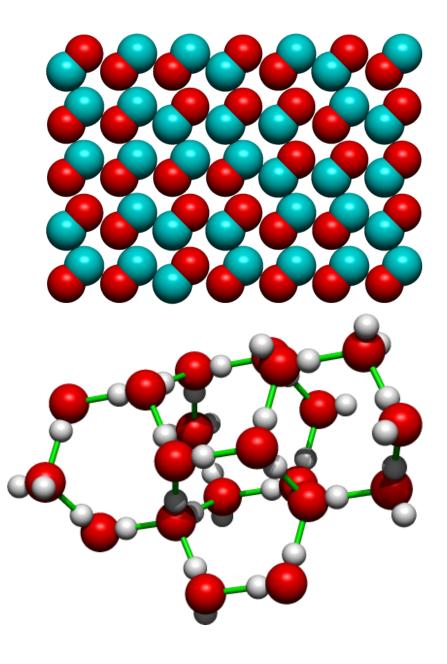
## **Pauling's derivation:**

•  $6 = \binom{4}{2}$  orientations of a water molecule

• then an H-bond is wrong with prob.= $\frac{1}{2}$ 

 $> 2N_A$  bonds in a mole

$$\Rightarrow S_{\rm m} = k_{\rm B} \ln\left(\frac{6^{N_{\rm A}}}{2^{2N_{\rm A}}}\right) = 3.37 \,\mathrm{J}\,\mathrm{K}^{-1}\,\mathrm{mol}^{-1}$$



## **Example: Information entropy of DNA**

Assuming random and equal distribution of base pairs.

Per one base pair:  $S = k_B \ln 4$ , per mole:  $S_m = R \ln 4$ .

Corresponding Gibbs energy (at 37 °C):

$$\Delta G_{\rm m} = -RT \ln 4 = -3.6 \, \text{kJ} \, \text{mol}^{-1}$$

To be compared to:  $ATP \rightarrow ADP$ 

- standard:  $\Delta_r G_m^{\diamond} = -31 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ 

– in usual conditions in a cell:  $\Delta_r G_m = -57 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ 



## **Boltzmann H-theorem (Second Law)**

**Fermi golden rule** for the transition probability  $\phi \rightarrow \psi$  caused by a perturbing Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}_{pert}$  (in an isolated system):

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$$\frac{d\pi(\phi \to \psi)}{dt} \equiv W(\phi \to \psi) = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\langle \phi | \mathcal{H}_{pert} | \psi \rangle|^2 \rho_{final} = W(\psi \to \phi) = W_{\psi\phi}$$

Change of the population of state  $\psi$  (master equation):

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\pi(\psi)}{\mathrm{d}t} = \sum_{\phi} \pi(\phi) W(\phi \to \psi) - \pi(\psi) \sum_{\phi} W(\psi \to \phi) = \sum_{\phi} W_{\phi\psi}[\pi(\phi) - \pi(\psi)]$$

Rate of entropy change:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}S}{\mathrm{d}t} = -k\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\sum_{\psi}\pi(\psi)\ln\pi(\psi) = -k\sum_{\psi}\ln\pi(\psi)\sum_{\phi}W_{\phi\psi}[\pi(\phi) - \pi(\psi)]$$

Trick: swap  $\phi \leftrightarrow \psi$  and sum:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}S}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{1}{2} k \sum_{\psi,\phi} W_{\psi\phi} [\ln \pi(\phi) - \ln \pi(\psi)] [\pi(\phi) - \pi(\psi)] \ge 0$$

The entropy of an isolated system never decreases

Loschmidt paradox: Irreversibility from reversible microscopic laws

## Maxwell(-Boltzmann) distribution of velocities

The probability that a molecule is found in:

a tiny box dxdydz with coordinates in intervals [x, x + dx), [y, y + dy) a [z, z + dz)AND

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with velocities in intervals  $[v_x, v_x + dv_x)$ ,  $[v_y, v_y + dv_y)$ ,  $[v_z, v_z + dv_z)$ ,

is proportional to the Boltzmann factor

$$\exp\left(-\frac{E_{\text{pot}} + E_{\text{kin}}}{k_{\text{B}}T}\right)$$
$$= \exp\left(\frac{-E_{\text{pot}}}{k_{\text{B}}T}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\frac{1}{2}mv_{x}^{2}}{k_{\text{B}}T}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\frac{1}{2}mv_{y}^{2}}{k_{\text{B}}T}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-\frac{1}{2}mv_{z}^{2}}{k_{\text{B}}T}\right)$$

The probability that a molecule is found with velocities in intervals  $[v_x, v_x + dv_x)$ ,  $[v_y, v_y + dv_y)$ ,  $[v_z, v_z + dv_z)$  (irrespective of  $E_{pot}$ ) is proportional to

$$\exp\left(\frac{-\frac{1}{2}mv_{\chi}^{2}}{k_{\mathrm{B}}T}\right)\exp\left(\frac{-\frac{1}{2}mv_{y}^{2}}{k_{\mathrm{B}}T}\right)\exp\left(\frac{-\frac{1}{2}mv_{z}^{2}}{k_{\mathrm{B}}T}\right)$$

# **Maxwell distribution – historical approach**

# Assumptions:

–  $\pi$  is isotropic

–  $\pi$  is composed of independent contributions of coordinates,

$$\pi(v_X, v_Y, v_Z) = \pi(v_X)\pi(v_Y)\pi(v_Z)$$

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 $-\lim_{\nu\to\infty}\pi(\nu_X,\nu_Y,\nu_Z)=0$ 

The only function satisfying these conditions is

$$\pi(v_x) = \text{const} \times \exp(-\text{const} \cdot v_x^2)$$

Examples of functions:

1. 
$$x^2 + y^2$$
 – is isotropic, but is not a product, bad limit  
2.  $x^2y^2$  – is a product, is not isotropic, bad limit  
3.  $\frac{3}{(1+x^2)(1+y^2)}$  – is a product, is not isotropic, good limit

4. 
$$3 \exp(-x^2/2 - y^2/2) - \text{good}!$$

Assumption:

– velocity is a sum of many small random "hits" Central limit theorem  $\Rightarrow$  Gauss distribution

## **Experimental verification**

Doppler broadening of spectral lines

$$\frac{\lambda - \lambda_0}{\lambda} = \frac{v_X}{c}$$

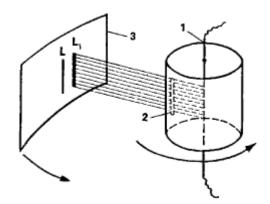
molecular beam:

Stern, Zartman (1920):

$$1 = Pt$$
 wire covered by  $Ag^a$ 

2 = slit

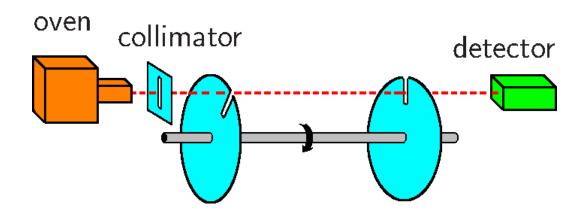
3 = screen



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<sup>a</sup>other literature: Sn oven

Lammert (1929) vapor of Bi or Hg (?)



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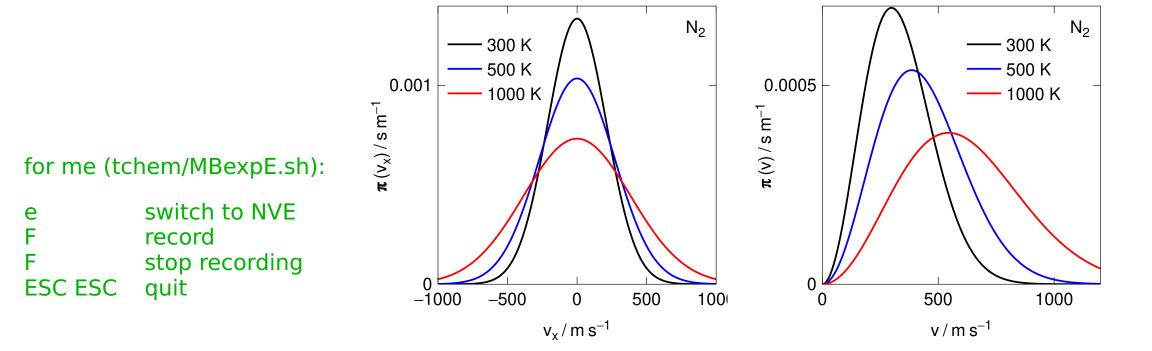
Normalized distribution in one coordinate:

$$\pi(v_X) = \frac{1}{\sigma_V \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(\frac{-v_X^2}{2\sigma_V^2}\right), \quad \sigma_V^2 = \langle v_X^2 \rangle = \frac{k_B T}{m} = \frac{RT}{M}$$

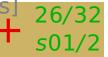
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Distribution of velocities, i.e., probability density that a particle is found with  $v = |\vec{v}|$ in interval [v, v + dv]:

$$\pi(v) = 4\pi v^2 \pi(v_X) \pi(v_Y) \pi(v_Z) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi} \frac{v^2}{\sigma_v^3}} \exp\left(\frac{-v^2}{2\sigma_v^2}\right)$$



# Consequences



Mean velocity

$$\overline{v} = \int_0^\infty v \, \pi(v) dv = \sqrt{\frac{8}{\pi}} \sigma_v = \sqrt{\frac{8RT}{\pi M}} = \sqrt{\frac{8k_{\rm B}T}{\pi m}}$$

Mean quadratic velocity

$$\overline{v}_q = \sqrt{\int_0^\infty v^2 \pi(v) dv} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}} = \sqrt{\frac{3k_BT}{m}}$$

Most probable velocity

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\pi}{\mathrm{d}\nu} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \nu_{\max} = \sqrt{\frac{2RT}{M}} = \sqrt{\frac{2k_{\mathrm{B}}T}{m}}$$

Speed of sound ( $\kappa = C_p/C_V$ )

$$v_{\text{sound}} = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa RT}{M}} = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa k_{\text{B}}T}{m}}$$

> restart; assume(s>0); > p := x -> 1/s/sqrt(2\*Pi)\*exp(-x^2/s^2/2);  $p := x \rightarrow \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{x^2}{s^2}}}{s\sqrt{2\pi}}$ > ppp := x -> sqrt(2/Pi)\*x^2/s^3\*exp(-x^2/s^2/2);  $ppp := x \rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} x^2 e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{x^2}{s^2}}}{s^3}$ > simplify(int(ppp(x),x=0..infinity)); mean velocity > int(v\*ppp(v),v=0..infinity);  $\frac{2\sqrt{2} s}{\sqrt{\pi}}$ mean quadratic velocity > sqrt(simplify(int(v^2\*ppp(v),v=0..infinity)));  $\sqrt{3} s \sim$ most probable velocity > eq:=diff(ppp(v),v)=0; solve({eq,v>0},v);  $eq := \frac{2\sqrt{2} v e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{v^2}{s^2}}}{\sqrt{\pi} s^2} - \frac{\sqrt{2} v^3 e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{v^2}{s^2}}}{\sqrt{\pi} s^5} = 0$  $\{v=\sqrt{2} \ s\sim\}$ 

# **Thermodynamics finished** $\alpha = ?$ $\pi(\psi) = \exp[\alpha - \beta \mathcal{E}(\psi)]$ $\sum \pi(\psi) = 1 \Rightarrow \sum d\pi(\psi) = 0$ $S = -k_{B} \sum_{\psi} \pi(\psi) \ln \pi(\psi) = -k_{B} \sum_{\psi} \pi(\psi) [\alpha - \beta \mathcal{E}(\psi)] = -\left(k_{B}\alpha - \frac{U}{T}\right)$ $\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{U - TS}{k_{B}T} = \frac{F}{k_{B}T} \Rightarrow F = -k_{B}T \ln\left[\sum_{\psi} e^{-\beta \mathcal{E}(\psi)}\right]$

## [...] = canonical partition function = statistical sum (Q or Z)

Interpretation: number of "accessible" states (low-energy states are easily accessible, high-energy states are not)

From the Helmholtz energy F we can obtain all quantities:

$$p = -\frac{\partial F}{\partial V} \qquad \qquad U = F + TS \\ H = U + pV \\ G = F + pV \end{cases}$$

$$dF = -pdV - SdT$$

# **Semiclassical partition function**

Hamilton formalism: positions of atoms =  $\vec{r}_i$ , momenta =  $\vec{p}_i$ .

$$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{H} = E_{\text{pot}} + E_{\text{kin}}, \quad E_{\text{pot}} = U(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N), \quad E_{\text{kin}} = \sum_i \frac{\vec{p}_i^2}{2m}$$

Sum over states replaced by integrals:

$$Z = \sum_{\psi} e^{-\beta \mathcal{E}(\psi)} = \frac{1}{N! h^{3N}} \int \exp[-\beta \mathcal{H}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N, \vec{p}_1, \dots, \vec{p}_N)] d\vec{r}_1 \cdots d\vec{p}_N$$

where  $h = 2\pi\hbar$  = Planck constant.

#### Why the factorial?

Particles are indistinguishable ... but appear in different quantum states

#### **Why Planck constant?**

Has the correct dimension (Z must be dimensionless)

We get the same result for noninteracting quantum particles in a box (vide infra)

## **Semiclassical partition function**

## Integrals over positions and momenta are separated

Integrals over momenta can be evaluated:

$$\exp(-p_{1,x}^2/2k_{\rm B}Tm) = \sqrt{2\pi k_{\rm B}Tm}$$

After 3*N* integrations we get:

$$Z = \frac{Q}{N! \Lambda^{3N}}$$
, de Broglie thermal wavelength:  $\Lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2\pi m k_{B}T}}$ 

 $\Lambda$  = de Broglie wavelength at typical particle velocity at given T

requirement:  $\Lambda \ll$  typical atom-atom separation  $\approx (V/N)^{1/3}$ 

Configurational integral:

$$Q = \int \exp[-\beta U(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N)] d\vec{r}_1 \dots d\vec{r}_N$$
 do not confuse:  
$$U = \text{internal energy}$$
$$U(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N) = \text{potential}$$

Mean value of a **static** quantity (observable):

$$\langle X \rangle = \frac{1}{Q} \int X(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N) \exp[-\beta U(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N)] \, \mathrm{d}\vec{r}_1 \dots \, \mathrm{d}\vec{r}_N$$

## Example

a) Calculate  $\Lambda$  for helium at T = 2 K.

b) Compare to the typical distance of atoms in liquid helium (density  $0.125 \, \text{g cm}^{-3}$ ).

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## Semiclassical monoatomic ideal gas

$$Q = \int \exp[0] d\vec{r}_1 \dots d\vec{r}_N = \int_V d\vec{r}_1 \dots \int_V d\vec{r}_N = V^N$$

$$Z = \frac{Q}{N!\Lambda^{3N}} = \frac{V^N}{N!\Lambda^{3N}} \approx \frac{V^N}{N^N e^{-N}\Lambda^{3N}}, \quad F = -k_{\rm B}T \ln Z = -k_{\rm B}T N \ln \frac{Ve}{N\Lambda^3}$$

$$p = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_T = \frac{k_{\rm B}TN}{V} = \frac{nRT}{V}$$

e = Euler number e = elementary charge

$$U = F + TS = F - T\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_{V} = \frac{3Nk_{B}T}{2}$$
$$\mu = \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial N}\right)_{T,V} = k_{B}T \ln\left(\frac{N\Lambda^{3}}{V}\right) = k_{B}T \ln\left(\frac{p\Lambda^{3}}{k_{B}T}\right)$$

(with respect to the standard state of a free molecule at zero temperature) And verification:

$$G = F + pV = k_{\rm B}TN\ln\frac{N\Lambda^3}{Ve} + Nk_{\rm B}T = N\mu$$

## Monoatomic ideal gas

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Or quantum calculation of the translational partition function:

Eigenvalues of energy of a point mass in a  $a \times b \times c$  box:

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{h^2}{8m} \left( \frac{n_x^2}{a^2} + \frac{n_y^2}{b^2} + \frac{n_z^2}{c^2} \right)$$

**Maxwell–Boltzmann statistics:** high enough temperature so that a few particles compete for the same quantum state – it does not matter whether we have fermions or bosons; equivalently,  $\Lambda \ll$  distance between particles.

#### **Partition function:**

$$Z_1 = \sum_{n_x=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_y=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n_z=1}^{\infty} \exp(-\beta \mathcal{E}) \stackrel{\sum \to \int}{\approx} \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} \exp(-\beta \mathcal{E}) \, \mathrm{d}n_x \mathrm{d}n_y \mathrm{d}n_z = \frac{V}{\Lambda^3}$$

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^{N} E_i \quad \Rightarrow \quad Z = \frac{1}{N!} Z_1^N$$

Yes, it is the same! The choice of factor  $1/h^{3N}$  in the semiclassical Z was correct.