

Lecture 10

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Recap/Summary

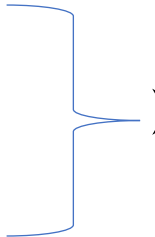
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Compendium—Chapter 2
Pathria's book- Chapter 6 (6.1-6.4)

Free particles

- Mutual interactions between particles is negligible:
 - ideal spin systems (*paramagnetism*) -- **distinguishable particles**
 - ideal classical gases
 - ideal quantum gases
- **indistinguishable particles**
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Maxwell-Boltzmann: free particles

- Equilibrium distribution of particles in an energy state

$$n_i = \frac{N}{Z_1} e^{-\beta \epsilon_i} = e^{-\beta(\epsilon_i - \mu)}, \quad Z_1 = \sum_i e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}, \quad N = Z_1 e^{\beta \mu}$$

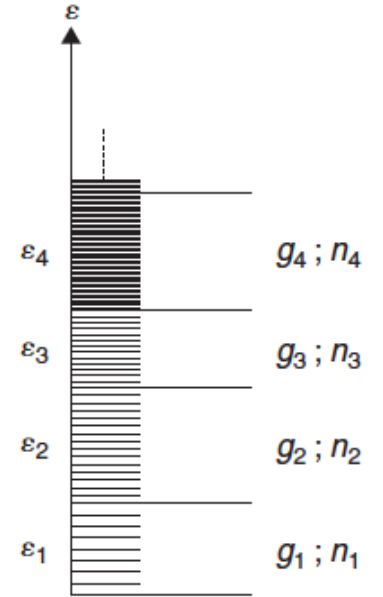
- Probability of a specific microstate at fixed T and μ in the equilibrium

$$P(\mathbf{s}) = \frac{1}{\Xi(T, \mu)} \frac{1}{N_s!} e^{-\beta(E_s - \mu N_s)}, \quad N_s = \sum_i n_i, \quad E_s = \sum_i \epsilon_i n_i$$

- Grand-canonical partition function (sum over global particle numbers and sum over all the energy states for each individual particle)

$$\Xi(T, \mu) = \sum_{N_s} \frac{1}{N_s!} \sum_{E_s} e^{-\beta(E_s - \mu N_s)} = \sum_{N_s} \frac{1}{N_s!} \prod_{k=1}^{N_s} \sum_{\epsilon_k} e^{-\beta(\epsilon_k - \mu)}$$

$$\Xi(T, \mu) = \sum_{N_s} \frac{1}{N_s!} \left(\lambda \sum_i e^{-\beta \epsilon_i} \right)^{N_s} = e^{\lambda Z_1}, \quad \lambda = e^{\beta \mu}, \quad Z_1 = \sum_i e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}$$



Maxwell-Boltzmann: free particles

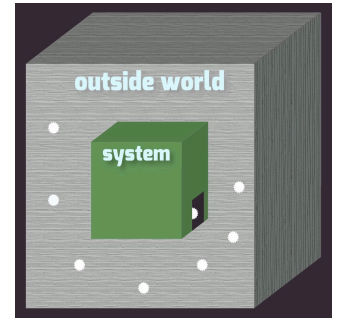
- Probability of having N_s particles in a macroscopic state at T and μ

$$P(N_s) = \frac{1}{\Xi(T, \mu)} \frac{1}{N_s!} \sum_{E_s} e^{-\beta(E_s - \mu N_s)} = \frac{1}{N_s!} (Z_1 \lambda)^{N_s} e^{-Z_1 \lambda}$$

$$P(N_s, N) = \frac{1}{N_s!} N^{N_s} e^{-N}, \quad \langle N_s \rangle = N(T, \mu) = Z_1(T) \lambda(T, \mu)$$

Total number of particles in a macrostate is a fluctuating (random) quantity drawn from a *Poisson distribution with $\langle N_s \rangle = N$ as the average number*

- $\langle \Delta N_s^2 \rangle = \langle N_s^2 \rangle - \langle N_s \rangle^2 = \langle N_s \rangle$
- *Relative number fluctuations* $\frac{\langle \Delta N_s^2 \rangle}{\langle N_s \rangle^2} = \frac{1}{N} = \frac{1}{Z_1 \lambda} \ll 1$

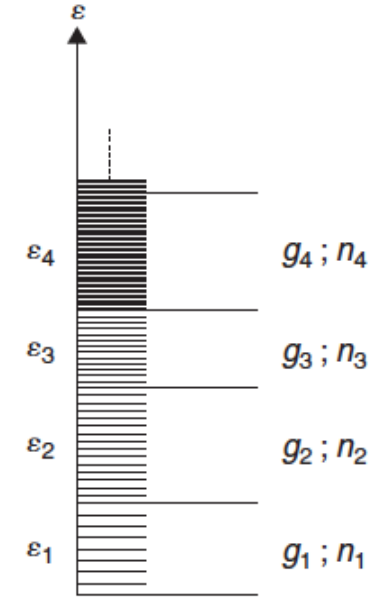


Maxwell-Boltzmann: free particles

- Probability for an occupation number n in ϵ_i energy state

$$P_i(n) = \frac{\frac{1}{n!} (\lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_i})^n}{\left(\sum_n \frac{1}{n!} (\lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_i})^n \right)} = \frac{1}{n!} \frac{(\lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_i})^n}{\exp(\lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_i})}$$

$$P_i(n, n_i) = \frac{1}{n!} n_i^n e^{-n_i}, \quad n_i = \langle n \rangle_i = \lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}$$

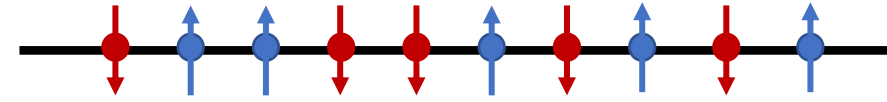


Occupation number of an energy state is also a random number following *Poisson distribution* with $n_i = \lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}$

- $\langle \Delta n^2 \rangle_i = \langle n^2 \rangle_i - \langle n \rangle_i^2 = n_i$

- **Relative number fluctuations** $\frac{\langle \Delta n^2 \rangle_i}{n_i^2} = \frac{1}{n_i} = \frac{Z_1 e^{\beta \epsilon_i}}{N} \ll 1$

System of free spins



- Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution (MBD): probability that a spin occupies a microstate//fraction of spins in a (single-particle) microstate

$$\frac{n_s}{N} = \frac{1}{Z_1(T)} e^{-\beta\epsilon_s}, \quad \epsilon_s = -s\mu B, \quad s = \pm 1$$

- 1-particle partition function $Z_1(T) = \sum_{s=\pm 1} e^{-\beta\epsilon_s} = 2 \cosh(\beta\mu B)$
- N-particle partition function $Z_N(T) = Z_1^N = 2^N \cosh^N(\beta\mu B)$
 - Average spin energy $\langle \epsilon \rangle = \frac{1}{Z_1} \sum_s \epsilon_s e^{-\beta\epsilon_s} = -\mu B \tanh(\beta\mu B)$
 - Average total energy $U = N\langle \epsilon \rangle = -N\mu B \tanh(\beta\mu B)$
- *Grand-canonical partition* $\Xi(T, \mu) = \sum_{N_s} (\lambda Z_1)^{N_s} = \frac{1}{1 - \lambda Z_1}$

Ideal gas

- Energy levels for each particle

$$\epsilon_n = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2)$$

- Quantum numbers

$$\mathbf{n} = (n_x, n_y, n_z), n_i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

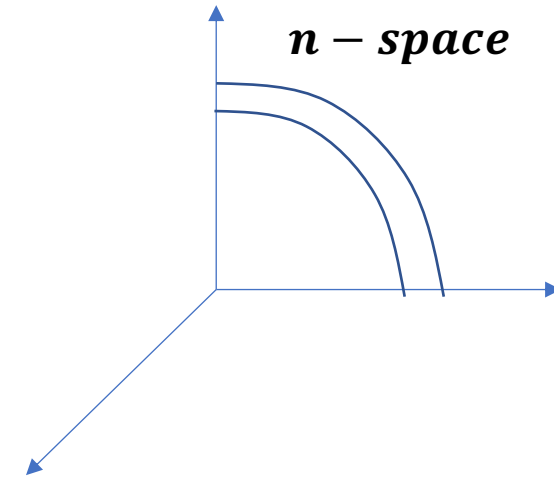
$$Z_1 = \sum_{n_x} \sum_{n_y} \sum_{n_z} e^{-\beta \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2)} = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dn e^{-\beta \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 n^2} \right)^3 = \frac{V}{\Lambda(T)^3}$$

$$\text{thermal wavelength } \Lambda(T) = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{mkT}}$$

$$Z_1 = \int_0^{\infty} d\epsilon D(\epsilon) e^{-\beta\epsilon}$$

$$D(\epsilon) = \frac{V}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \epsilon^{1/2} = 4\pi n^2 \left| \frac{dn}{d\epsilon} \right|$$

$D(\epsilon)d\epsilon$ number of microstates with energy between ϵ and $\epsilon + d\epsilon$ (for 1 particle)



Thermodynamics of the ideal gas

$$Z_N = \frac{Z_1^N}{N!} = \frac{V^N}{N! \Lambda^{3N}}$$

- Helmholtz free energy

$$F = -kT \ln Z_N = -NkT \left(\ln \left(\frac{Z_1}{N} \right) + 1 \right)$$

- Pressure $P = - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V} \right)_{T,N} = \frac{NkT}{V}$

- Chemical potential $\mu = - \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V} = -kT \ln \frac{Z_1}{N} = -kT \ln \frac{V}{N\Lambda^3} = kT \ln \frac{P\Lambda^3}{kT}$

- Internal energy $U = - \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \log Z_N = \frac{3}{2} NkT$

- Grand-canonical partition

$$\Xi(T, \mu) = \sum_{N_s} \frac{1}{N_s!} (\lambda Z_1)^{N_s} = e^{\lambda Z_1} = e^{-\beta \Omega} \rightarrow \Omega = -NkT, \quad N = \lambda Z_1$$

Bose-Einstein statistics:

- Equilibrium (average) occupation number for an energy state

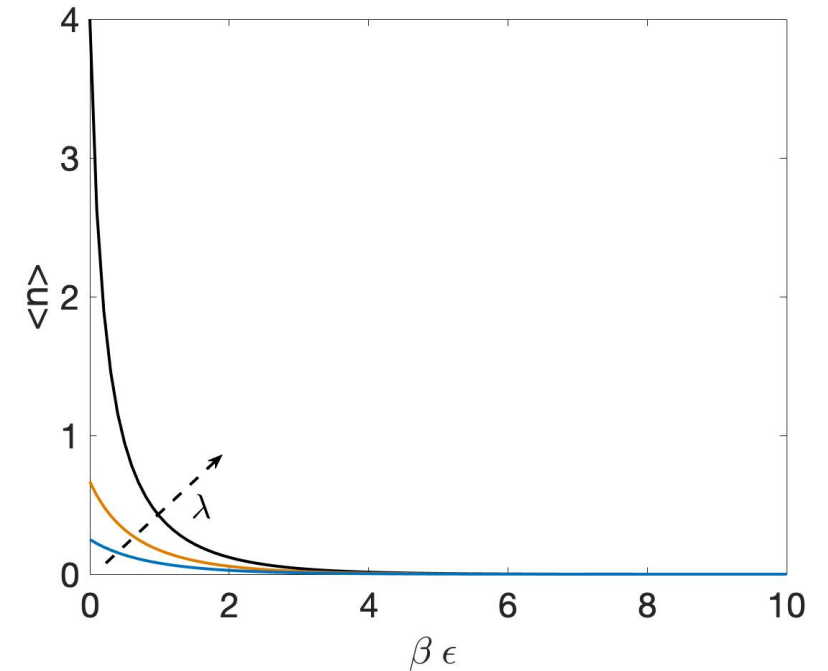
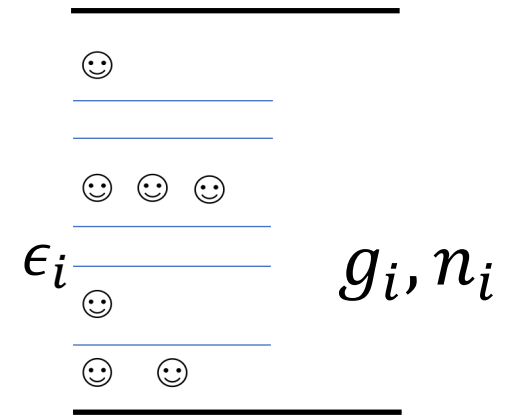
$$\langle n_i \rangle = \frac{1}{e^{\beta(\epsilon_i - \mu)} - 1} = \frac{1}{e^{\beta\epsilon_i} \lambda^{-1} - 1}$$

- Probability of a specific microstate at fixed T and μ in the equilibrium

$$P(s) = \frac{1}{\Xi(T, \mu)} e^{-\beta(E_s - \mu N_s)}, \quad N_s = \sum_i n_i, \quad E_s = \sum_i \epsilon_i n_i$$

- Grand-canonical partition function

$$\Xi^{(BE)}(T, \mu) = \prod_i \left(\sum_{n_i=0}^{\infty} (\lambda e^{-\beta\epsilon_i})^{n_i} \right) = \prod_i \left(\frac{1}{1 - \lambda e^{-\beta\epsilon_i}} \right)$$



Bose-Einstein statistics:

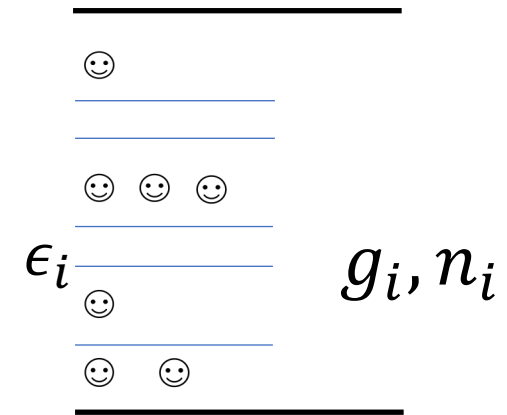
- Probability for having n bosons in a given energy state

$$P_i^{(BE)}(n) = (1 - \lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_i})(\lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_i})^n = \frac{1}{\langle n_i \rangle + 1} \left(\frac{\langle n_i \rangle}{\langle n_i \rangle + 1} \right)^n$$

geometric distribution: probability that a particle occupies an energy state is independent of the number of particles already in that states --- tendency of «bunching» together

Relative number fluctuations $\frac{\langle \Delta n^2 \rangle_i}{n_i^2} = \frac{1}{n_i} + 1$

Increased number fluctuations relative to be MB statistics



$$\langle n^2 \rangle_i = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 \frac{1}{\langle n_i \rangle + 1} \left(\frac{\langle n_i \rangle}{\langle n_i \rangle + 1} \right)^n$$

$$\langle n^2 \rangle_i = \frac{1}{\langle n_i \rangle + 1} \left(x \frac{d}{dx} \right)^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$$

$$\langle n^2 \rangle_i = \frac{1}{\langle n_i \rangle + 1} \left(x \frac{d}{dx} \right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right), \quad x = \frac{\langle n_i \rangle}{\langle n_i \rangle + 1}$$

$$\langle n^2 \rangle_i = \langle n_i \rangle + 2\langle n_i \rangle^2$$

Fermi-Dirac statistics

Equilibrium occupation number for an energy state

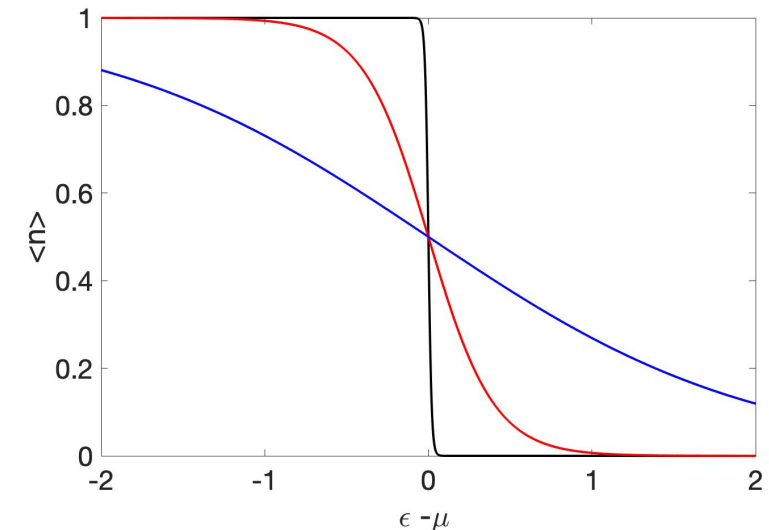
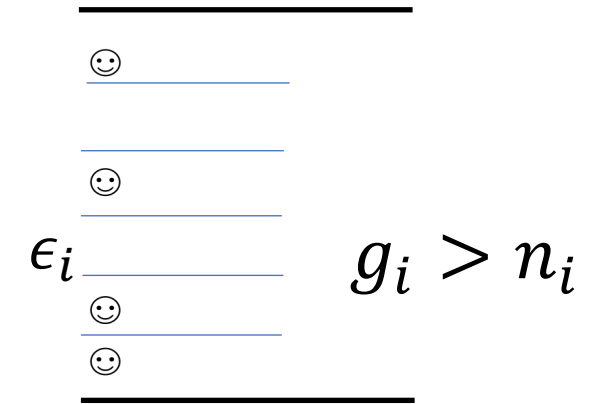
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- **Grand-canonical partition function**

$$\Xi(T, \mu) = \prod_i \left(\sum_{n_i} e^{-\beta n_i (\epsilon_i - \mu)} \right) = \prod_i (1 + e^{-\beta(\epsilon_i - \mu)})$$



Free fermions: Fermi-Dirac statistics

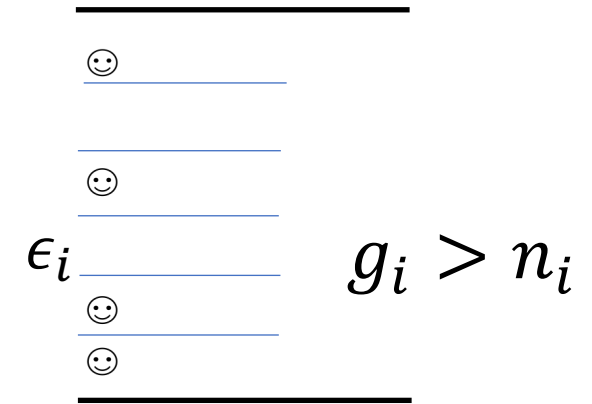
- Probability for having n free fermions in a given energy state ϵ_i at fixed T and μ is the same as the average occupation number n_i

$$P_i^{(FD)}(n) = \frac{(\lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_i})^n}{1 + \lambda e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}} = \begin{cases} 1 - n_i, & n = 0 \\ n_i, & n = 1 \end{cases}$$

- $\langle n^2 \rangle_i = \sum_{n=0}^1 n^2 P_i(n) = P_i(1) = n_i$
- Relative mean square fluctuations: as the occupation probability increases, fluctuations are suppressed

$$\frac{\langle \Delta n^2 \rangle_i}{n_i^2} = \frac{1}{n_i} - 1 \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n_i \rightarrow 1$$

- *Negative statistical correlation – statistical repelling force*



Classical limit: $\epsilon_i \ll kT, \mu(T) \ll 0$ (high-T limit)

- Fermi Dirac/Bose-Einstein distribution:

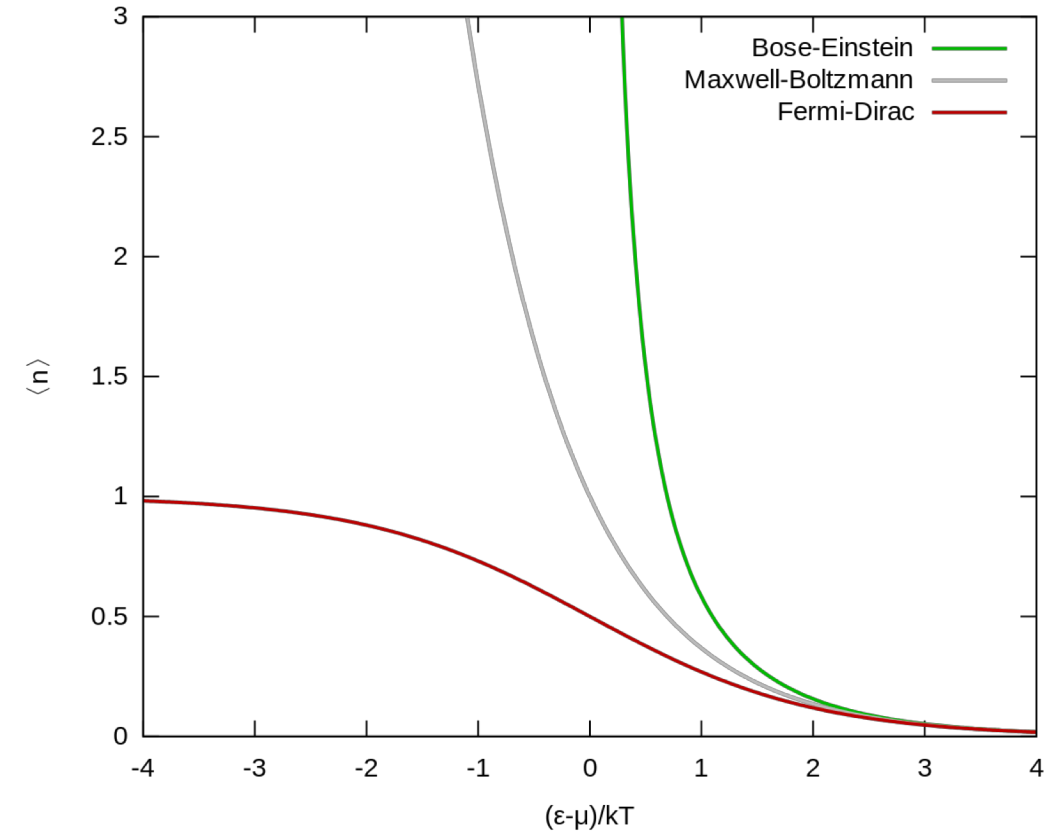
$$n_i = \frac{1}{e^{\beta(\epsilon_i - \mu)} \pm 1} = e^{\beta\mu} \frac{e^{-\beta\epsilon_i}}{1 \pm e^{-\beta\epsilon_i} e^{\beta\mu}} \approx e^{\beta\mu} e^{-\beta\epsilon_i}$$

- Maxwell Boltzmann distribution:

$$n_i^{MB} = \frac{N}{Z_1} e^{-\beta\epsilon_i} = e^{\beta\mu} e^{-\beta\epsilon_i}$$

- Classical ideal gas limit: $\mu = -kT \ln \frac{V}{N\Lambda^3(T)} \ll 0 \rightarrow$

$$T \gg T^* = \left(\frac{h^2}{2\pi mk} \right) \rho^2, \quad \rho = \frac{N}{V}$$

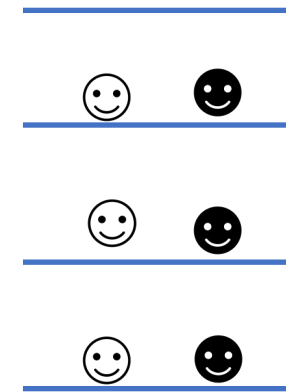
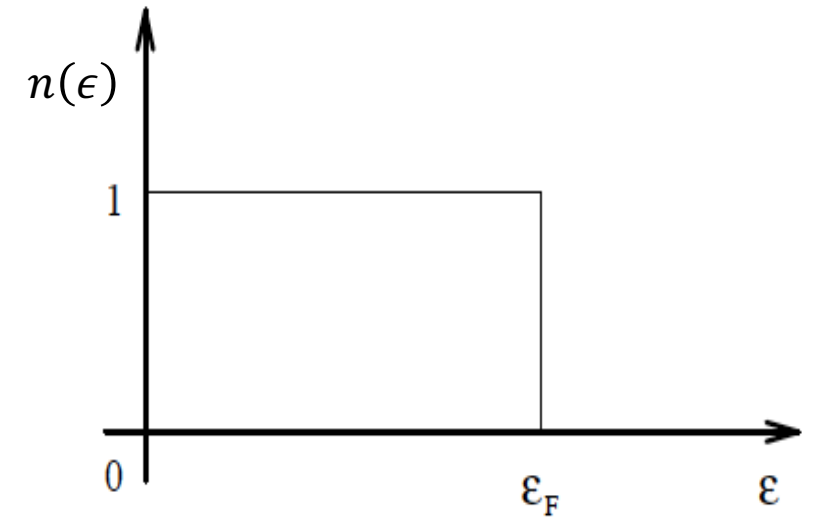


Fermi Dirac distribution at T=0 K

$$n(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta(\epsilon-\mu)} + 1} \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow 0} \begin{cases} 1, & \epsilon < \mu \\ 0, & \epsilon > \mu \end{cases}$$

$\epsilon_F \equiv \mu$ Fermi energy level below which all states are occupied

Fermi energy is determined by the density of the Fermi gas $\epsilon_F = \epsilon_F(\rho)$

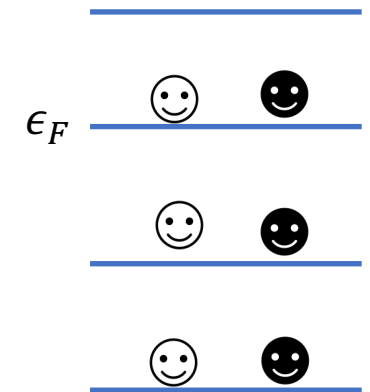
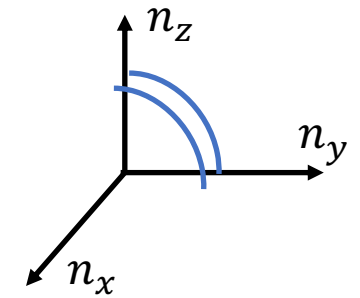
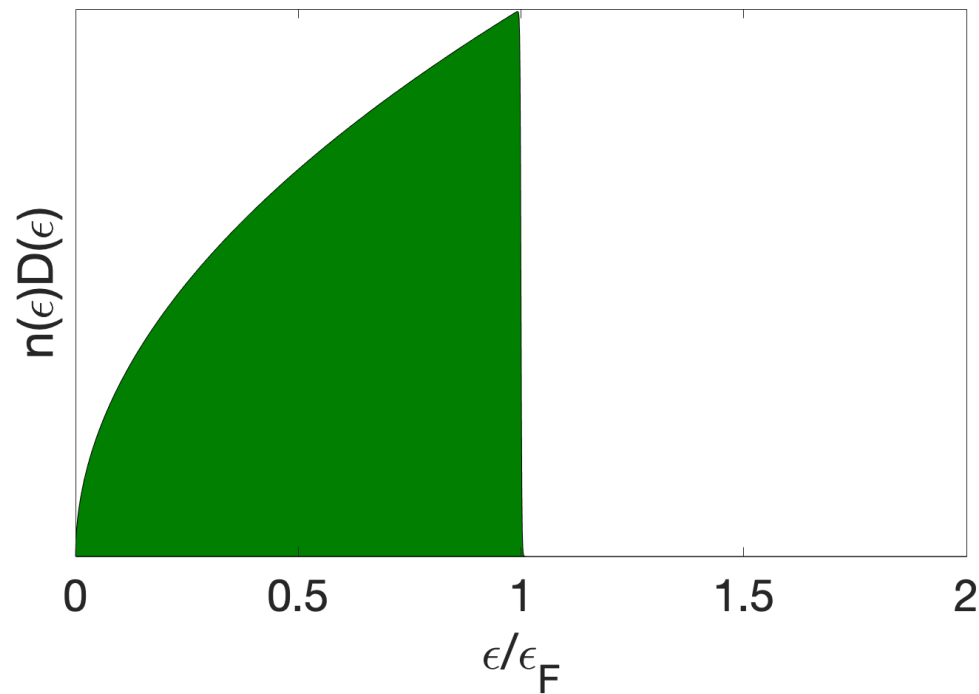


Fermi-Dirac statistics at T=0 K in 3D

Ideal gas: $\epsilon_n = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 |n|^2$

Density of states $D(\epsilon)d\epsilon = (4\pi n^2)dn \rightarrow$

$$D(\epsilon) = \frac{V}{4\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \epsilon^{1/2}, \quad V = L^3$$



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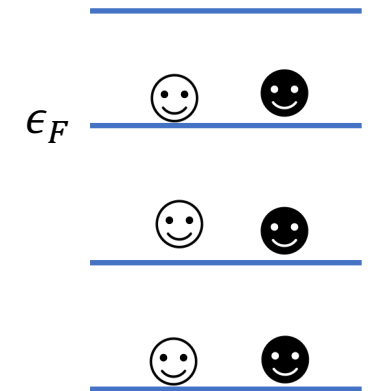
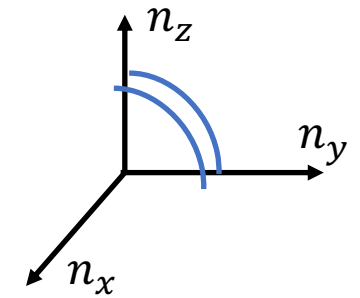
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Number of particles

$$N = \sum_i \langle n \rangle(\epsilon_i) = 2 \int_0^\infty d\epsilon D(\epsilon) H(\epsilon - \epsilon_F) = 2 \int_0^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon D(\epsilon)$$

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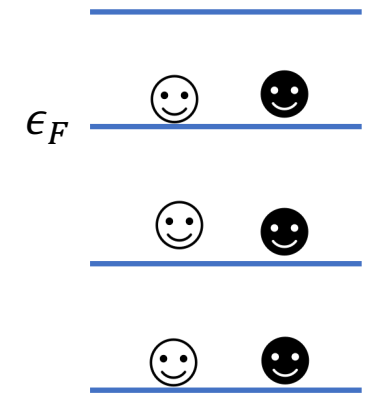
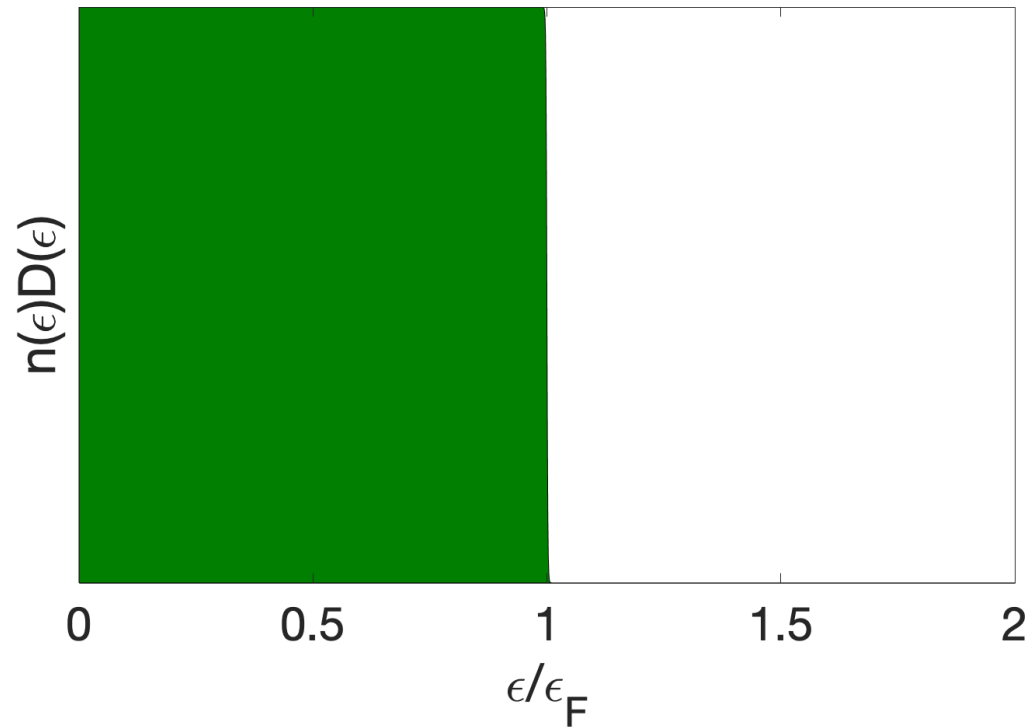
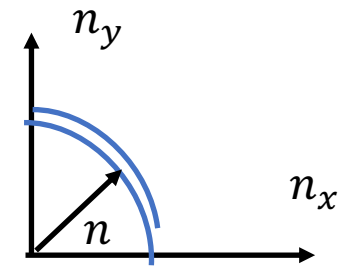
- Fermi energy $\epsilon_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (3\pi^2 \rho)^{2/3}$
- Fermi temperature $T_F = \frac{\epsilon_F}{k} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2mk} (3\pi^2 \rho)^{2/3} < T^* = \left(\frac{h^2}{2\pi mk}\right) \rho^2$
- Electron gas in metals $T_F \sim 10^4 - 10^5 \text{ K} \gg 3 \times 10^2 \text{ K}$ (degenerate gas--- behaves as if it was 0K for a wide range of $T \ll T_F$)



Fermi-Dirac statistics at T=0 K in 2D

Ideal gas: $\epsilon_n = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 |n|^2$

Density of states $D(\epsilon)d\epsilon = (2\pi n)dn \rightarrow D(\epsilon) = \frac{L^2}{4\pi} \frac{2m}{\hbar^2}$



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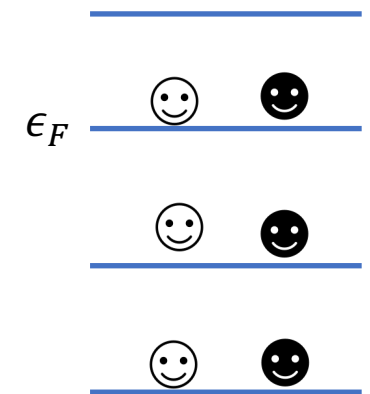
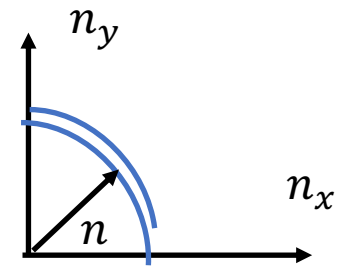
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• Fermi energy $\epsilon_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{m} \pi \rho$

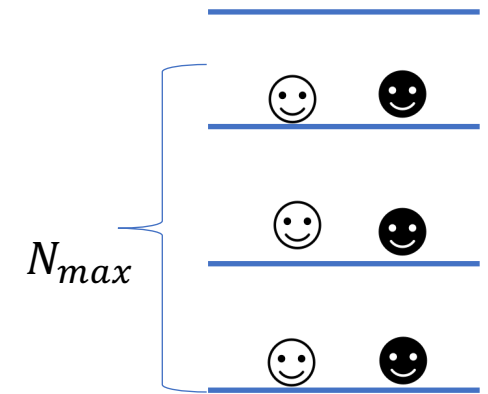
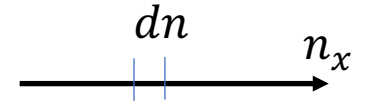
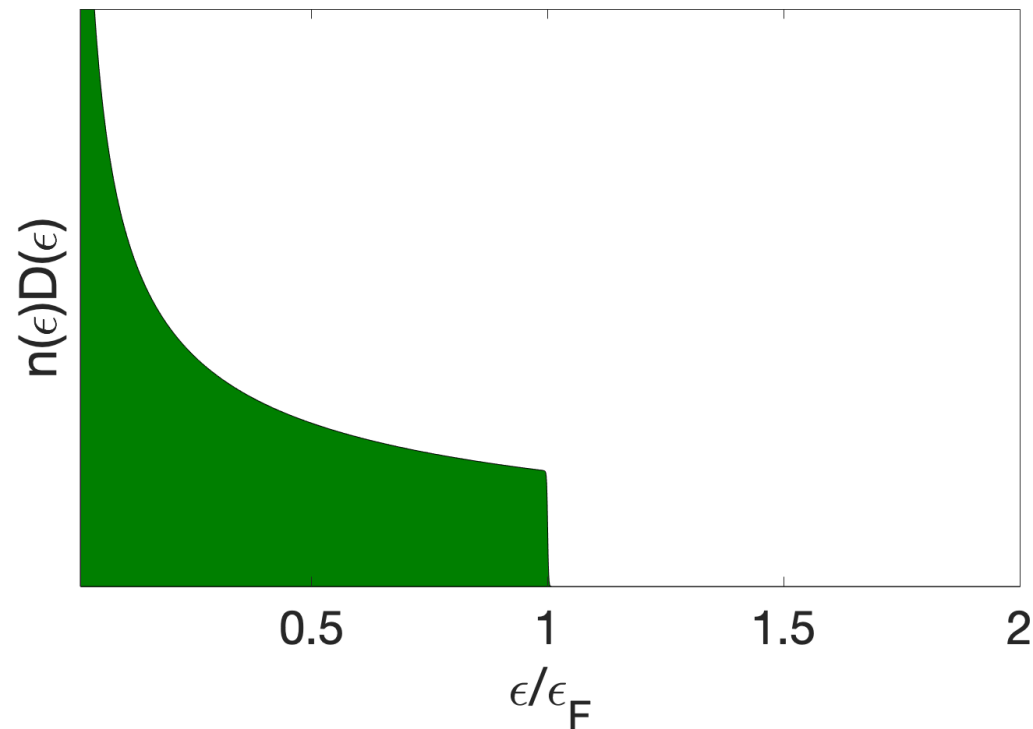
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Fermi-Dirac statistics at T=0 K in 1D

Ideal gas: $\epsilon_n = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 |n|^2$

Density of states $D(\epsilon)d\epsilon = dn \rightarrow D(\epsilon) = \frac{L}{4\pi} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \epsilon^{-1/2}$



Fermi-Dirac statistics at T=0 K in 1D

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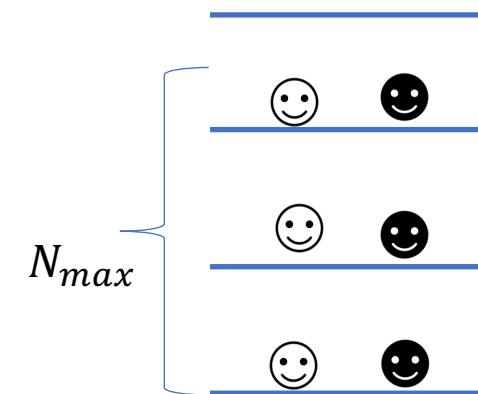
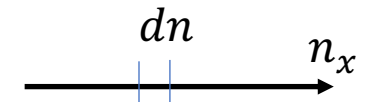
$$N = 2 \int_0^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon D(\epsilon) = \frac{L}{\pi} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \epsilon_F^{\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow \epsilon_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (\pi\rho)^2$$

Number of particles $N = \sum_i \langle n \rangle(\epsilon_i) = 2N_{max}$

- Fermi energy $\epsilon_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 N_{max}^2 \rightarrow$

$$\epsilon_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (\pi\rho)^2, \quad \rho = \frac{N}{L}$$

Fermi temperature $T_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2mk} (\pi\rho)^2$



Fermi Dirac distribution at $T > 0$ K

$$n(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta(\epsilon - \mu)} + 1}, \quad \mu(\epsilon_F, T)$$

Energy states above the Fermi level are occupied by excited fermions

