

Classical limit of the Partition functions

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Hamiltonian operator of system containing N identical particles

$$\hat{H} = \hat{K} + \hat{U} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where $\hat{K}$ is K.E operator

$\hat{U}$ is p.e. operator

If $\psi(r_1, \dots, r_N)$ is wave function of system then

$$\hat{K} \psi(r_1, \dots, r_N) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^N \nabla_i^2 \psi(r_1, \dots, r_N) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{and } \hat{U} \psi(r_1, \dots, r_N) = U(r_1, \dots, r_N) \psi(r_1, \dots, r_N) \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

where m is mass of particle

∇_i^2 is laplacian operator w.r.t. r_i

$U(r_1, \dots, r_N)$, sum of two body potential

$$U(r_1, \dots, r_N) = \sum_{i < j} v_{ij} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$\text{where } v_{ij} \equiv v(|r_i - r_j|) \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

the partition function of system

$$Q_N(V, T) = \text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{H}} = \sum_n (\phi_n^\dagger e^{-\beta \hat{H}} \phi_n) \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

where $\phi_n(1, \dots, N)$ is member of any complete orthonormal set of wave function of system

$\phi_n^*(1, \dots, N)$ is its complex conjugate.

where $(r_1, \dots, r_N)$ is replaced by $(1, \dots, N)$ for convenient

and each ϕ_n satisfies normalized condition $\int \phi_n \phi_n^* d^{3N}r = 1$

for any operator $\hat{Q}$ is

$$(\phi_n, \hat{Q} \phi_n) = \int d^{3N}r \phi_n^*(1, \dots, N) \hat{Q} \phi_n(1, \dots, N) \quad (7)$$

ϕ_n is symmetric function of $r_1, \dots, r_N$ for boson system

ϕ_n is antisymmetric function of $r_1, \dots, r_N$ for fermion system

If T is very high then partition function

$$Q_N(V, T) = \frac{1}{N! h^{3N}} \int d^{3N}p d^{3N}r e^{-\beta \hat{H}(p, r)} \quad (8)$$

h is planck's constant and M is classical

{ at high T , boson and fermion system $\rightarrow$ Boltzmann system

Hamiltonian

$$H(p, r) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{p_i^2}{2M} + \Omega(r_1, \dots, r_N) \quad (9)$$

(i) Free particles

Consider ideal gas containing N particles for which

p.e. of system i.e. $\Omega(1, \dots, N) = 0$

then H of free particles

$$\hat{H}(p, r) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{p_i^2}{2M} = \hat{K} \quad (10)$$

i.e. H is set of N momenta

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$$P \equiv (p_1, \dots, p_N) \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

and satisfies eigen value eqn

$$\hat{K} \phi_P(1, \dots, N) = K_P \phi_P(1, \dots, N) \quad \text{--- (12)}$$

where

$$K_P = \frac{1}{2m} (p_1^2 + \dots + p_N^2) = \sum_i \epsilon_i \quad \text{--- (13)}$$

with the periodic boundary condition

$$u_{\vec{p}}(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}} e^{-i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}} \quad \text{with } \vec{p} = \frac{2\pi \hbar}{L} \vec{n} \quad \text{--- (14)}$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} V = L^3 \\ \text{volume of system} \end{array} \right.$

the factor ensures normalization

$$\int |u_{\vec{p}}(\vec{r})|^2 d\vec{r} = 1$$

$\vec{n}$ is vector of integers $0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$

the total wave function is sum of permutation

$$\phi_P(1, \dots, N) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \sum_P S_P P [u_{p_1}(1) \dots u_{p_N}(N)] \quad \text{--- (15)}$$

where $S_P = +1$ if particles are bosons

$$S_P = \text{Sign } P = \begin{cases} \pm 1 & \text{if the particles are fermions} \\ +1 & \text{for even permutation} \\ -1 & \text{for odd permutation} \end{cases}$$

When we permute, we can either change the particles
or change the momenta $p_1, \dots, p_N$, these will ~~be~~ give
the same ~~result~~ permutation

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_p(1, \dots, N) &= \frac{1}{N!} \sum_p S_p [u_{p_1}(p_1) \dots u_{p_N}(p_N)] \\ &= \frac{1}{N!} \sum_p S_p [u_{p_{p_1}}(1) \dots u_{p_{p_N}}(N)] \end{aligned} \quad \text{--- (16)}$$

In the limit $V \rightarrow \infty$ then

$$\sum_p \rightarrow \frac{V}{h^3} \int d^3p \quad \text{--- (17)}$$

therefore partition function:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_N(V, T) &= \text{Tr} e^{-\beta \hat{H}} = \sum_p (\phi_p e^{-\beta \hat{H}} \phi_p) = \sum_p \int d^3r d^3p \phi_p^* e^{-\beta \hat{H}} \phi_p \\ &= \frac{V^N}{N! h^{3N}} \int d^3p d^3r |\phi_p(1, \dots, N)|^2 e^{-\beta \hat{H}} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} H = K_p \\ \text{using eq (7)} \\ \text{replaced } \Sigma \rightarrow \int \end{array} \right. \end{aligned} \quad \text{--- (18)}$$

using eq (16), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr} e^{-\beta \hat{H}} &= \frac{V^N}{N! h^{3N}} \int d^3p d^3r e^{-\beta K_p} \times \frac{1}{(N!)} \sum_p S_p [u_{p_1}^*(p_1) \dots u_{p_N}^*(p_N)] \times \sum_{p'} S_{p'} [u_{p'_1}^*(1) \dots u_{p'_N}^*(N)] \\ &= \frac{V^N}{(N! h^{3N})} \int d^3p d^3r e^{-\beta K_p} \left\{ \sum_p \sum_{p'} [u_{p_1}^*(p_1) u_{p'_1}(1)] \dots [u_{p_N}^*(p_N) u_{p'_N}(N)] \right\} \end{aligned} \quad \text{--- (19)}$$

[Now every term in p' sum will give the same contribution to the integral in (19). Thus we may replace the above $N!$ times any one term in p' sum]

the N -fold summation over the k_p all the permutations P' will contribute the same.

Therefore we can take only one term of them

Say $p'_{p_1} = p_1 \dots \dots p_{p_N} = p_N$ and multiply by $(N!)$

then result is

$$\text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{K}} = \frac{V^N}{N!} \lambda^{3N} \int d^3 p d^3 r e^{-\beta \left(\frac{p_1^2}{2M} + \frac{p_2^2}{2M} + \dots + \frac{p_N^2}{2M} \right)} \times \left[\sum_P S_P [u_{p_1}^*(p_1) u_{p_1}(1) \dots [u_{p_N}^*(p_N) u_{p_N}(N)]] \right] \quad (20)$$

$$= \frac{V^N}{N!} \lambda^{3N} \int d^3 p d^3 r e^{-\beta \left(\frac{p_1^2}{2M} + \dots + \frac{p_N^2}{2M} \right)} \times \left[\sum_P S_P e^{+i/\hbar [p_1 \cdot (p_1 - 1) \dots p_N \cdot (p_N - N)]} \right] \quad (21)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N!} \lambda^{3N} \sum_P S_P \left[\int d^3 r \left[e^{-\frac{\beta p_1^2}{2M} + i/\hbar p_1 \cdot (p_1 - 1)} \right] dp_1 \dots \left[\int e^{-\frac{\beta p_N^2}{2M} + i/\hbar p_N \cdot (p_N - N)} \right] dp_N \right] \quad (22)$$

Integration is F.T. over
Gaussian

$$Q_N(N, T) = \frac{1}{N!} \lambda^{3N} \int d^3 r \left[\left(\frac{2\pi M k T}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2 N} \sum_P S_P [f(p_1 - 1) \dots f(p_N - N)] \right] \quad (23)$$

where $f(r) = e^{-\frac{2\pi m k T}{h^2} r^2}$ is the F.T. of Coulomb

we know that thermal wavelength

$$\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{h^2}{2\pi m k T}}$$

then finally we get

$$\text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{K}} = \frac{1}{N!} \frac{1}{\lambda^{3N}} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda^{3N/2}} \right) \int d^3 r \sum_P e^{-\beta \hat{K}_P}$$

$$\text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{K}} = \frac{1}{N!} \lambda^{3N} \int d^3 r \left[\sum_P \delta_P [f(r_1 - r_1) \dots f(r_N - r_N)] \right] \quad (22)$$

$$\text{where } f(r) = \int d^3 p e^{-\beta \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{i}{h} \vec{p} \cdot \vec{r}} = e^{-\pi r^2 / \lambda^2}$$

$$r = |\vec{r}|$$

from eqn (22)

$$\text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{K}} = \frac{1}{N!} \lambda^{3N} \int d^3 r \left[\sum_P \delta_P [f(r_1 - r_1) \dots f(r_N - r_N)] \right] \quad (24)$$

where $\sum_P$ contains $N!$ terms

At high Temp^r the integrand may be approximated as follow

(i) the term correspond to the unit permutation $P=1$

is $[f(0)]^N = 1$ } leading term in summation is
when $p_i = r_i$

(ii) the second term will include one pair exchange (r_i and r_j)

$$\text{then } f(r_i - r_j) f(r_j - r_i) = |f(r_i - r_j)|^2$$

(iii) Next term include triplets

so we have

$$\sum_p \sum_p [f(\vec{p}_1 - \vec{r}_1) \dots f(\vec{p}_N - \vec{r}_N)] = 1 \pm \sum_{\substack{i < j \\ \text{boson}}} f_{ij} f_{ji} + \sum_{i < j < k} f_{ij} f_{jk} f_{ki} + \dots \quad (25)$$

where $f_{ij} = f(|\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j|)$

f_{ij} vanishes extremely rapidly if

$$|\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j| \gg \lambda \quad \text{i.e. } f \ll 1 \quad (26)$$

therefore ~~the~~ temp^r is so high that

$\lambda \ll$ average interparticle distance

In other words when $\eta \lambda^3 = \frac{\eta h^3}{(2\pi m k T)^{3/2}} \ll 1 \quad (27)$

the system can be approximated by first term

$$Q_N(V, T) = \frac{1}{N!} \int d^3 \vec{r} e^{-\beta \hat{K}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N!} \lambda^{3N} \int d^3 \vec{r} 1 = \frac{V^N}{N! \lambda^{3N}} \quad (28)$$

this is Q_N for classical ideal gas

this shows that we get the ideal gas partition function from precise QM.

let examine the first quantum correction to the classical partition function of ideal gas.

Let if $|\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j| \ll \lambda$ eq (25) approximates as $1 \pm \sum f_{ij}^2$

to some order of approximation, we can write-

$$1 \pm \sum_{i < j} f_{ij}^2 \approx \prod_{i < j} (1 \pm f_{ij}^2) = \exp \left\{ -\beta \sum_{i < j} v'_{ij} \right\} \quad (29)$$

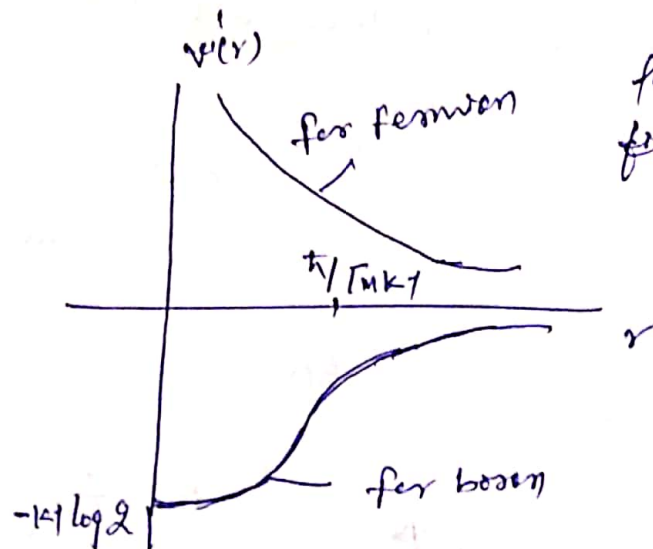
where

$$v'_{ij} \equiv -kT \log(1 \pm f_{ij}^2)$$

$$v'_{ij} = -kT \log \left[1 \pm \exp \left\{ -\frac{u(r_i - r_j)^2}{\lambda^2} \right\} \right] \quad (30)$$

from eqn (24)

$$\text{Tr } e^{-\beta \hat{K}} = \frac{1}{N! \lambda^{3N}} \int d^N r d^N p \exp \left[-\beta \sum_i \frac{p_i^2}{2m} + \sum_{i < j} v'_{ij} \right] \quad (31)$$



This shows that first quantum correction to the partition function of ideal gas has same effect as that of endowing the particles with an interparticle potential $v'(r)$ and treating the problems classically.

The potential $v'(r)$ is attractive for bosons and repulsive for fermions. This sometimes called as statistical attraction b/w bosons and statistical repulsion b/w fermions.

$v'(r)$ originates from the symmetric properties of wave function