

⊙ As usual, we quantize the system in a 3D box of volume V . Each single particle state is characterized by its momentum \vec{p} and the integer n . The grand canonical partition function is therefore a product of partition sums for single-particle states labelled by both \vec{p} and n so that the pressure and number density are:

$$P = \frac{T}{V} \ln \Xi = -\frac{T}{V} \sum_{\vec{p}} \sum_{n=-j}^j \ln(1 - z e^{-\beta \epsilon_n} e^{-\beta \epsilon(\vec{p})})$$

$$\frac{N}{V} = \frac{z}{V} \frac{\partial \ln \Xi}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\vec{p}} \sum_{n=-j}^j \left(\frac{1}{z} e^{\beta \epsilon_n} e^{\beta \epsilon(\vec{p})} - 1 \right)^{-1}$$

where $\epsilon(\vec{p}) = \frac{|\vec{p}|^2}{2m}$, z is the fugacity.

In the T -limit, the sum over momenta can be replaced by an integral. However (similar to the discussion in class) to allow for a possible macroscopic occupation of the ground state, the corresponding term in the sum for \vec{p} (but not in the sum for n !) must be explicitly retained. The lowest energy state is that with $|\vec{p}|=0$ and $n=-j$

$$\therefore P = T \left(\frac{2\pi m T}{(2\pi \hbar)^2} \right)^{3/2} \sum_{n=-j}^j g_{3/2} \left(z e^{-\beta \epsilon_n} \right)$$

$$\frac{N}{V} = \left(\frac{2\pi m T}{(2\pi \hbar)^2} \right)^{3/2} \sum_{n=-j}^j g_{3/2} \left(z e^{-\beta \epsilon_n} \right) + \frac{1}{V} \frac{z e^{\beta \epsilon_j}}{1 - z e^{\beta \epsilon_j}}$$

⑥ The ground state becomes macroscopically occupied when z approaches its maximum value $z_{\max} = e^{-\beta \epsilon_j}$.

More specifically, in the T -limit we set

$$z_{\max} \approx z_{\max} - \frac{1}{n_0 V} \quad \text{and take the}$$

limit $V \rightarrow \infty$ with $\frac{N}{V}$ fixed. The critical temperature T_c can then be identified by setting $n_0 = 0$ in the remaining equation for $\frac{N}{V}$. With the change of the summation variable $0 = i+j$:

$$\frac{N}{V} = \left(\frac{2\pi m T_c}{(2\pi \hbar)^2} \right)^{3/2} \sum_{0=0}^{2j} g_{3/2} \left(e^{-\frac{\epsilon_0}{T_c}} \right) \quad \text{- This is an implicit relation for } T_c.$$

if $\epsilon = 0$, we can solve this equation:

$$T_c = (2j+1)^{-\frac{2}{3}} T_c^0$$

This is the critical temperature for spin- j bosons expressed through the critical temperature of spin-0 bosons, T_c^0 .