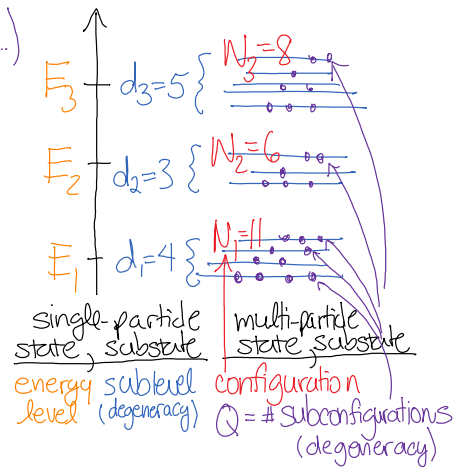


* General case of counting states:

- single particle states: (usually called g_1, g_2, g_3, \dots)
energy E_1, E_2, E_3 w/ degeneracy d_1, d_2, d_3

- for the N -particle wave function, how many states are there in the configuration N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots , where $\sum N_i = N$?

$= Q(N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots)$ "degeneracy" of configuration.
 \uparrow usually called $W(N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots)$



* Strategy to determine the "most likely" configuration:

note: as $N \rightarrow \infty$ "most likely" \rightarrow "only plausible"

then we obtain "the" distribution $n(\epsilon) = N_n/d_n = \text{average \# particles/sublevel}$
for the energy level $\epsilon = E_n$ (for total #particles N , energy E)

Minimize $G(N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots) = \ln(Q)$ with constant $(N, E) = \sum N_n(1, E_n)$
"Entropy" usually labeled $S = kG = k \cdot \ln(W) \uparrow$ using Lagrange multipliers $(\alpha, \beta) = (u, 1)/kT$
to obtain the statistical distributions

$$n_{MB}(\epsilon) = [e^{(\epsilon - u)/kT}]^{-1} \quad n_{FD}(\epsilon) = [e^{(\epsilon - u)/kT} + 1]^{-1} \quad n_{BE}(\epsilon) = [e^{(\epsilon - u)/kT} - 1]^{-1}$$

This results in the thermodynamic equation

$$dE = \frac{1}{\beta} k dS - \frac{\alpha}{\beta} dN - dW \text{ (work)} \quad E, S, N, V, M: \text{extensive}$$

$$= \underbrace{T dS + \mu dN}_{\text{stochastic}} - \underbrace{(PdV + B dM + \dots)}_{\text{mechanical}} \quad T, \mu, P, B: \text{intensive}$$

* Ensembles - we are using the Microcanonical ensemble

- Microcanonical (Boltzman): # of microstates / macrostate. $N, V, E \uparrow$
- Canonical: # of microstates in thermally linked heat reservoir. $N, V, T \uparrow$
- Grand Canonical: thermal & diffusive links with reservoir. $\mu, V, T \uparrow$

* Calculation of Configuration degeneracy $Q(N_1, N_2, \dots) \rightarrow$ entropy:

a) Distinguishable particles: Maxwell-Boltzman statistics.

first choose the energy levels and then

ways to select N_1 particles for $E_1 = \binom{N}{N_1} = \frac{N!}{N_1!(N-N_1)!}$ binomial coefficient

$$= \frac{N(N-1) \cdots (N-N_1+1)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdots N_1} = \frac{N(\text{first choices}) \times [N-1](\text{left over}) \times \cdots}{\# \text{ permutations of selections}}$$

$$\times d_1^{N_1} = d_1 \text{ choices for each particle}$$

ways to select N_2 particles from $N-N_1$ into d_2 substates

$$= \binom{N-N_1}{N_2} d_2^{N_2} = \frac{(N-N_1)! d_2^{N_2}}{(N_2)!(N-N_1-N_2)!} \text{ and so on.}$$

The total # of microstates of (N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots) is the product

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{MB}(N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots) &= \frac{N! d_1^{N_1}}{N_1!(N-N_1)!} \cdot \frac{(N-N_1)! d_2^{N_2}}{N_2!(N-N_1-N_2)!} \cdot \frac{(N-N_1-N_2)! d_3^{N_3}}{N_3!(N-N_1-N_2-N_3)!} \cdots \frac{N_n! d_n^{N_n}}{N_n!(0)!} \\ &= \frac{N! d_1^{N_1} d_2^{N_2} \cdots d_n^{N_n}}{N_1! N_2! N_3! \cdots N_n!} = \binom{N}{N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n} \prod_n d_n^{N_n} = N! \prod_n \frac{d_n^{N_n}}{N_n!} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{note: } (x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_n)^N = \sum_{N_1+N_2+\dots+N_n=N} \binom{N}{N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n} x_1^{N_1} x_2^{N_2} \cdots x_n^{N_n}$$

multinomial coeff. = # of ways of splitting N into N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots

b) Identical fermions: Fermi-Dirac statistics

Easiest: each substate can have 0 or 1 particles in it.
The antisymmetric wavefunction is unique for each subconfiguration of substates.

ways of distributing N_i particles into d_i substates

$$= \binom{N_i}{d_i} = \# \text{ ways to split } N_i \text{ into } \{0, 1\}$$

$$Q_{FD}(N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots) = \prod_{i=1}^n \binom{N_i}{d_i} = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{N_i!}{d_i! (N_i - d_i)!}$$

c) Identical bosons: Bose-Einstein statistics.

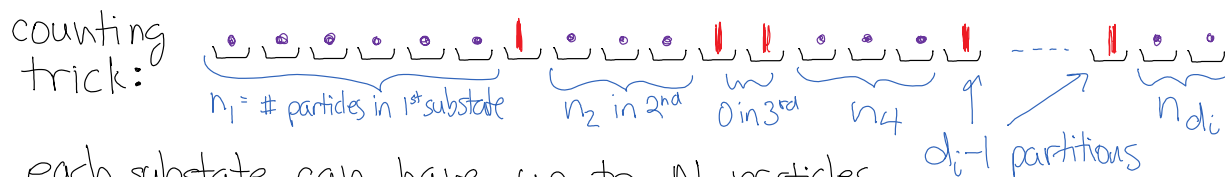


Hardest conceptually: each substate fits unlimited particles
 Symmetric wave function unique for each subconfiguration.

ways of distributing N_i particles into d_i substates

$$= \binom{N_i + d_i - 1}{d_i - 1} = \frac{(N_i + d_i - 1)!}{N_i! (d_i - 1)!}$$

ways of putting $d_i - 1$ partitions "I" into $N_i + d_i - 1$ slots, leaving N_i particles "."



each substate can have up to N_i particles

$$Q_{BE} = \prod_{i=1}^N \binom{N_i + d_i - 1}{N_i} = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{(N_i + d_i - 1)!}{N_i! (d_i - 1)!}$$

Next step: use conservation of energy & principle of indifference
 to determine $n(\epsilon) =$ probability of being in single-particle state ϵ