ECE 462 - Homework #6

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1 Code

1.1 System Includes

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
        import numpy as np
        from itertools import permutations
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        from pylab import rcParams
```

1.2 Function to find all possible combinations for a given number of balls and energy total

1.3 Function to find the probability distribution of a given combination set

1.4 Function to plot a probability distribution

```
plt.xlabel("Energy Level")
plt.ylabel("Probability (%)")
plt.ylim(0, 105)
plt.grid(True, axis='y', linewidth=0.5)
plt.plot(prob_distribution(df).index.values, prob_distribution(df).values, linewidth
```

2 Problems

2.1 Problem 5.2.1

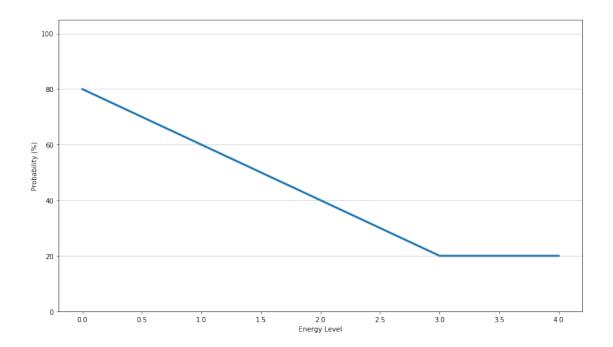
With E = 4, and $n_{balls} = 4$, the following combinations are possible:

	Ball 1	Ball 2	Ball 3	Ball 4
0	0	0	0	4
1	0	0	1	3
2	0	0	2	2
3	0	1	1	2
4	1	1	1	1

With the distribution of these being (with the probability being the chance a given state is occupied):

```
In [6]: plot_probs(df)

0    80.0
1    60.0
2    40.0
3    20.0
4    20.0
dtype: float64
```

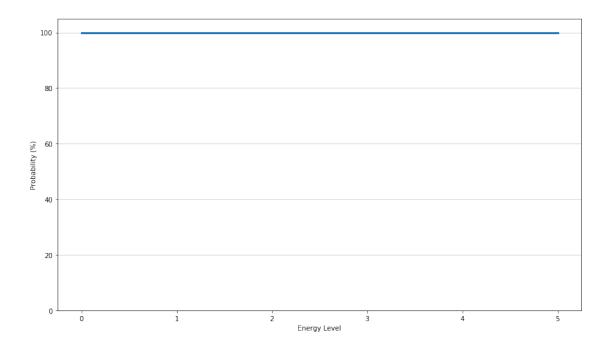


2.2 Problem 5.2.2

With five balls and a total energy of 12, the only valid distribution is:

The distribution of this is (with the probability being the chance a given state is occupied):

```
In [8]: plot_probs(df)
5    100.0
4    100.0
2    100.0
1    100.0
0    100.0
dtype: float64
```



2.3 Problem 5.2.3

Below are the following valid states with five fermion particles totalling a combined energy of 8.

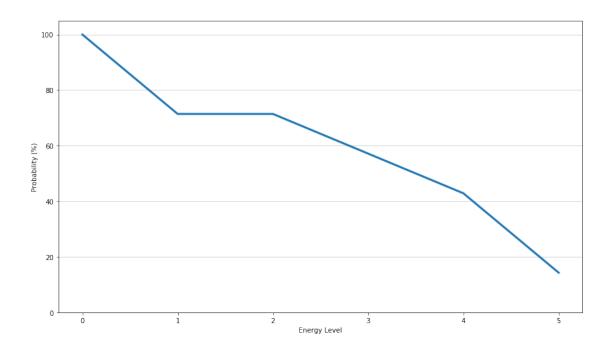
```
display(df)
   Ball 1
             Ball 2
                      Ball 3
                                Ball 4
                                         Ball 5
0
         0
                   0
                             1
                                      2
                                                5
                   0
                                      3
                                                4
1
         0
                             1
2
         0
                   0
                             2
                                      2
                                                4
3
                   0
                             2
                                      3
         0
                                                3
4
         0
                   1
                             1
                                      2
                                                4
5
                                      3
                                                3
         0
                   1
                             1
6
         0
                   1
                             2
                                      2
                                                3
```

In [9]: df = combs(5, 8, 'degenerate')

The probability of occupation of each state is (with the probability being the chance a given state is occupied):

```
In [10]: plot_probs(df)
0     100.000000
1     71.428571
2     71.428571
3     57.142857
4     42.857143
```

5 14.285714 dtype: float64



2.4 Problem 5.2.4

The Fermi-Dirac distribution is:

$$f_F = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\frac{E - E_F}{k_B T}}}$$

The approximation is valid only if:

$$e^{\frac{E-E_f}{k_BT}} >> 1$$

This shows that the *Boltzman Approximation* is only valid if $E - E_f >> k_B T$.