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## Assignment # 8

- §1. The number of ways in which  $N$  identical bosons can be distributed in two energy levels is
- §2. A system of particles on  $N$  lattice sites is in equilibrium at temperature  $T$  and chemical potential  $\mu$ . Multiple occupancy of a sites is forbidden. The binding energy of a particle at each site is  $-\epsilon$ . The probability of not occupying a site is
- §3. Consider a gas of Cs atoms at a number density of  $10^{12}$  atoms/cc. When the typical inter-particle distance is equal to the thermal de Broglie wavelength of the particles, the temperature of the gas is nearest to (Take the mass of a Cs atom to be  $22.7 \times 10^{-26}$  Kg)
- §4. Consider the system having three energy level with energy  $0, 2\epsilon$  and  $3\epsilon$  with respective degeneracy of 2, 2 and 3. Four boson of spin 0 have to be in their level such that total energy of the system is  $10\epsilon$ . The number of ways it can be done is
- §5. Derive expression for classical and quantum heat capacity,  $C_V$  corresponding to the vibrational modes for a polyatomic gas. [**Hint:** take equal mass of atoms in the molecule and consider them as simple oscillator. Classical  $H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{m\omega^2 q^2}{2}$ ; Eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{H}$  for quantum oscillator,  $H_{vib} = (n + \frac{1}{2})\hbar\omega$ ; and find the partition function,  $Q_{vib}$ ]

- §6. Derive expression for classical and quantum heat capacity,  $C_V$  corresponding to the rotational modes for a polyatomic gas. [**Hint:** take equal moment of inertia of atoms in the molecule. Classical  $H_{rot} = \frac{1}{2I} \left( p_\theta^2 + \frac{p_\phi^2}{\sin^2 \theta} \right)$ ; Eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{H}$  for quantum oscillator,  $H_{rot} = \frac{L^2}{2I} = \hbar^2 l(l+1)/2I$ ; and find the partition function,  $Q_{rot}$ ]
- §7. Consider an electron in a magnetic field  $\vec{B}$ , with intrinsic spin  $\frac{\hbar}{2}\hat{\sigma}$ , where  $\hat{\sigma}$  pauli spin operator, for  $\vec{B} = B\hat{z}$ , find the density matrix in canonical ensemble and also obtain  $\langle \sigma_x \rangle$ .
- §8. Consider an ideal quantum gas of Fermi particles at a temperature  $T$ . Write the probability  $p(n)$  that there are  $n$  particles in a given single particle state as a function of the mean occupation number,  $\langle n \rangle$ .
- §9. Maximize the entropy  $S = -\sum_i P_i \ln P_i$ , where  $P_i$  is the probability of the  $i$ th level being occupied, subject to the constraints that  $\sum_i P_i = 1$ ,  $\sum_i P_i E_i = U$  and  $\sum_i P_i N_i = N$  to re-derive the grand canonical ensemble.
- §10. Show that the entropy of a pure state is zero. How can you maximize the entropy?

§11. Consider a three-state system and think of  $\langle\psi_1\rangle$  as a column matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , and hence  $\langle\psi_1|$  as a row vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , and similarly for  $\langle\psi_2\rangle$ ,  $\langle\psi_2|$ ,  $\langle\psi_3\rangle$  and  $\langle\psi_3|$ . Find the density matrix in these basis.