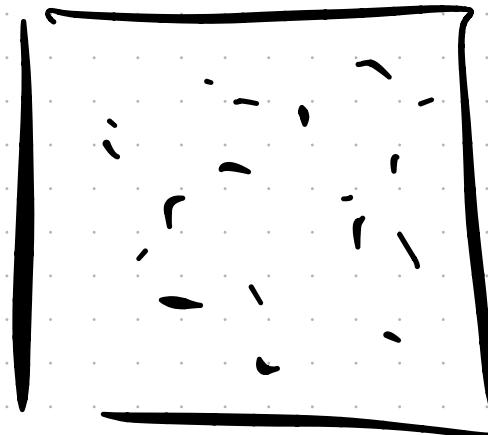


Kinetic Theory of Gases

Ideal Gas



N particles

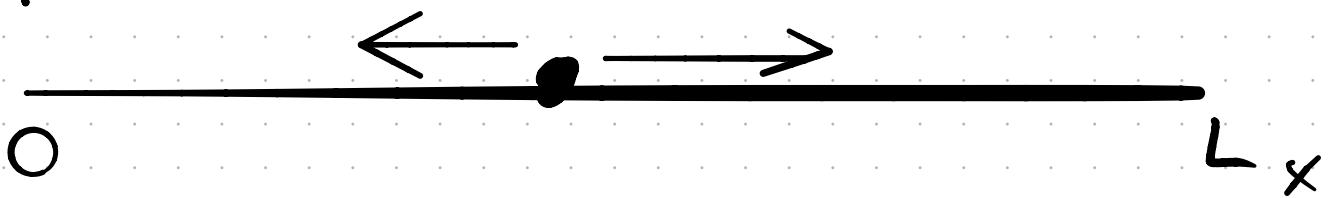
Volume V

Temperature T

What are gas particles doing?

Total Energy = Kinetic Energy
+ Potential Energy

One particle in 1 dimension



$$KE = \frac{1}{2} m v_x^2$$

Thermodynamics: Prob of state energy ϵ

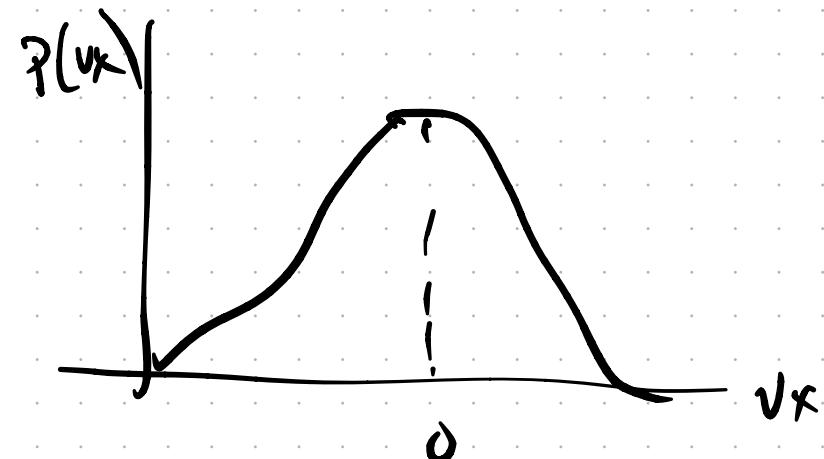
$$P(\epsilon) \propto e^{-\epsilon/k_B T} \quad (\text{Boltzmann's Law})$$

Probability of our particle having velocity = v_x

$$P(v_x) \propto e^{-\frac{mv_x^2}{2k_B T}} \quad \leftarrow \text{Gaussian Distribution}$$
$$C e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$
$$\mu = 0$$
$$\sigma^2 = k_B T/m$$

$$P(v_x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(k_B T/m)}} e^{-mv_x^2/2k_B T}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv_x P(v_x) = 1$$



$$\langle v_x^2 \rangle = ?$$

$$\text{Var}(A) = \langle A^2 \rangle - \langle A \rangle^2$$

$\mu=0$

σ^2

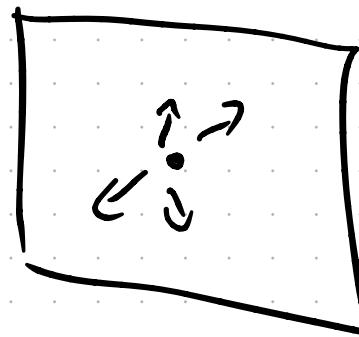
$$\langle v_x^2 \rangle = \sigma^2 = k_B T / m$$

Root mean squared velocity $\sqrt{\langle v_x^2 \rangle} = \sqrt{\frac{k_B T}{m}}$

$$\langle E \rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{2}mv_x^2 \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2}m\langle v_x^2 \rangle = \frac{k_B T}{2}$$

What about 3D?

$$\vec{v} = (v_x, v_y, v_z)$$



$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2 = \frac{1}{2} m (v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2)$$

$$P(\epsilon) \propto e^{-\epsilon/k_B T} = e^{-\frac{1}{2k_B T} (v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2)}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{m}{2k_B T} v_x^2} e^{-\frac{m}{2k_B T} v_y^2} e^{-\frac{m}{2k_B T} v_z^2}$$

$$P(\epsilon) \propto P(v_x) P(v_y) P(v_z)$$

v_x, v_y, v_z are independent

$$\langle \epsilon \rangle_{3d} = \frac{1}{2} m \langle \vec{v}^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} m (\langle v_x^2 \rangle + \langle v_y^2 \rangle + \langle v_z^2 \rangle)$$

$$\langle \epsilon \rangle_{3D} = \frac{1}{2} m \left(\frac{k_B T}{m} + \frac{k_B T}{m} + \frac{k_B T}{m} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} k_B T$$

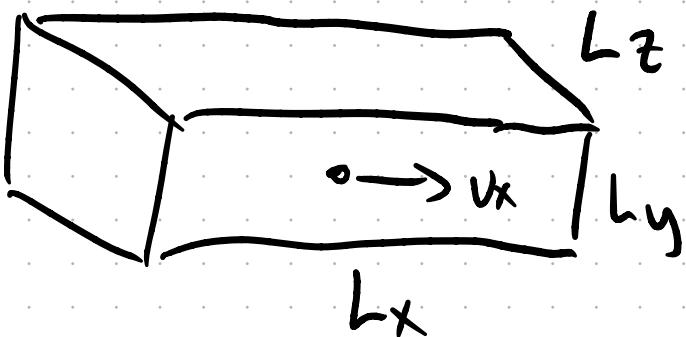
Ideal Gas: Total $\epsilon = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{2} m_i \vec{v}_i^2$

Each molecule independent

$$\langle \epsilon \rangle_{N, 3D} = \sum_{i=1}^N \left\langle \frac{1}{2} m_i \vec{v}_i^2 \right\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{3}{2} k_B T \right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} N k_B T = \underline{\underline{\frac{3}{2} n R T}}$$

Ideal Gas Law?



Elastic collision
with right wall

$$P_x = mv_x \quad \text{force} = \frac{\Delta P}{\Delta t} \quad \bar{F} = ma = m \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$\Delta P = (mv_x) - (-mv_x) = 2mv_x$$

$$d = vt \quad d = 2L_x = v_x \cdot \Delta t$$

$$\Delta t = 2L_x / v_x$$

$$F_{\text{right wall}} = \frac{(2mv_x)}{(2L_x/v_x)} = \frac{2mv_x^2}{2L_x} = \frac{mv_x^2}{L_x}$$

$$P_i = \frac{F}{A} = \left(\frac{m v_x^2}{L_x} \right) / (L_y L_z) \quad L_x L_y L_z = V$$

$$= m v_x^2 / V$$

$$P_i V = m v_x^2 \quad \text{one particle}$$

$$P = \sum_{j=1}^N P_j = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{m v_x^{j2}}{V} \cdot \frac{N}{N} = \frac{m N}{V} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N v_x^{j2} \right)$$

$\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{\langle v_x^2 \rangle}$

$$= \frac{m N}{V} \cdot \frac{k_B T}{m} = N k_B T$$

$\boxed{PV = N k_B T = n R T}$

Speed of molecules in Gas

Avg Speed's:

Root mean squared velocity

$$3D: \langle \vec{v}^2 \rangle = \langle v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2 \rangle = \frac{3k_B T}{m}$$

$$\sqrt{\langle \vec{v}^2 \rangle} = \sqrt{\frac{3k_B T}{m}}$$

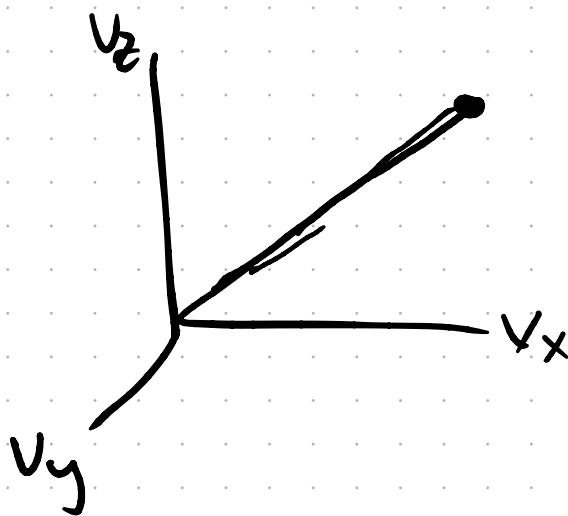
"Speed" = $|v|$, no direction to it

$$P(\vec{v}) = P(v_x) P(v_y) P(v_z)$$

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$$P(v_\alpha) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi k_B T}} e^{-\frac{1}{2k_B T} v_\alpha^2}$$

$$P(\vec{v}) = \left(\frac{m}{2\pi k_B T} \right)^{3/2} e^{-\frac{m}{2k_B T} (v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2)}$$



$x, y, z \rightarrow "r, \theta, \phi"$

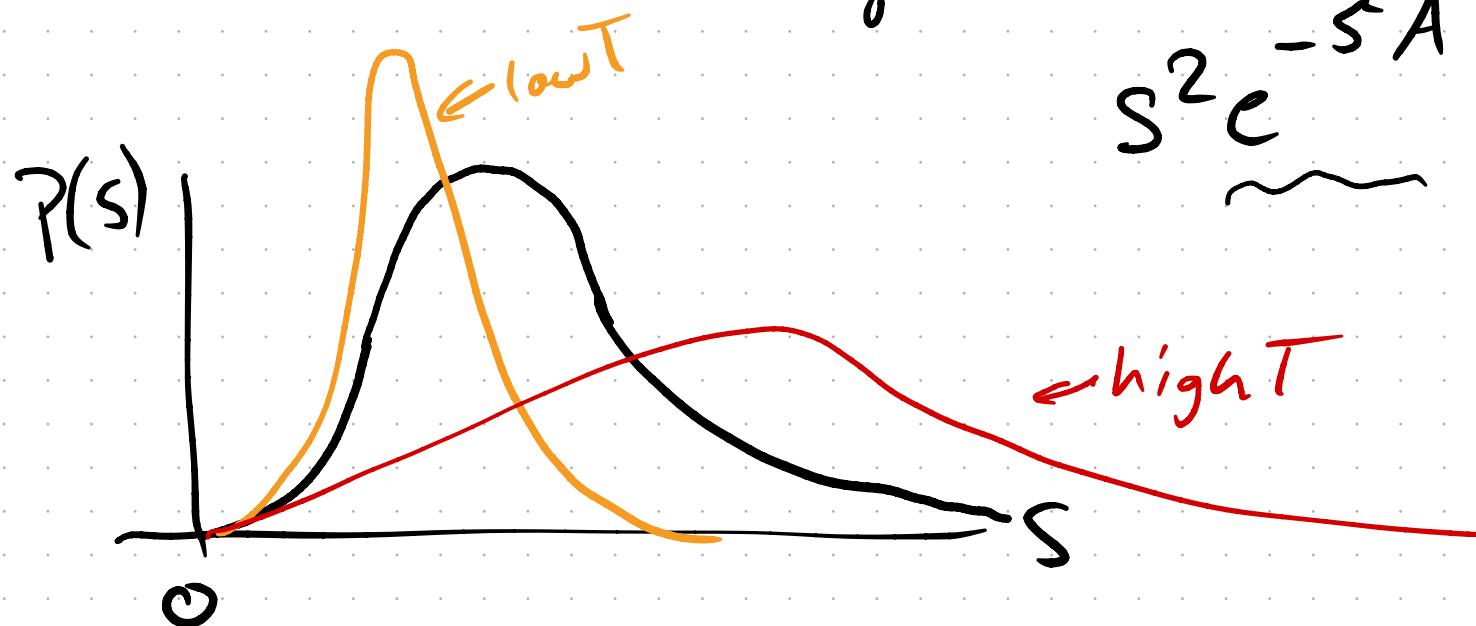
$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

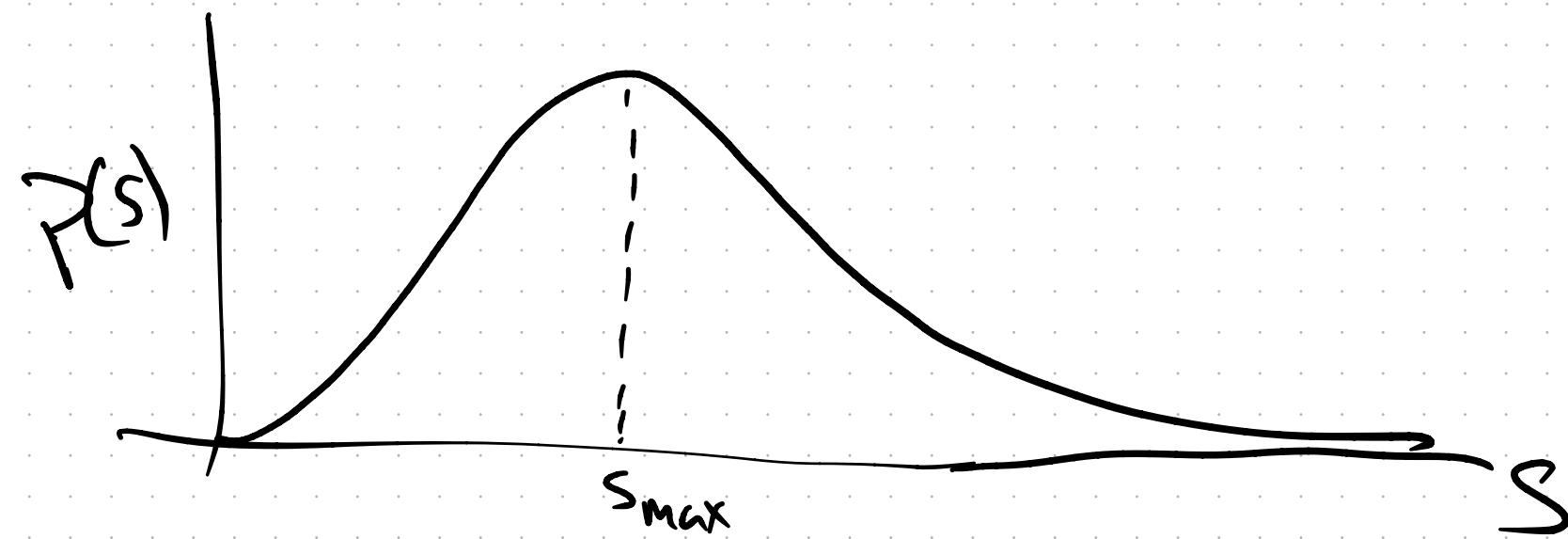
$$\text{Speed } s = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2}$$

$$P(s, \theta, \phi) = \left(\frac{m}{2\pi k_B T} \right)^{3/2} \sin \theta s^2 e^{-\frac{m s^2}{2k_B T}}$$

$$P(s) = \int_0^{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\theta d\phi P(s, \theta, \phi) =$$

$$= \frac{4\pi}{m} \left(\frac{m}{2\pi k_B T} \right)^3 \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{mv^2}{2k_B T}} \underbrace{\sin^2 \theta}_{\text{angles}} \frac{1}{2} \overbrace{1}^2$$





$$\langle s \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} s P(s) ds = \left(\frac{8 k_B T}{\pi m} \right)^{1/2}$$

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McQuarrie)

$$S_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{3 k_B T}{m}}$$

$$\frac{dP(s)}{ds} = 0 = C \cdot \left[s^2 - \frac{2s \cdot m}{2k_B T} + 25 \right] e^{-\frac{ms^2}{2k_B T}}$$

$\alpha \frac{s^2 e^{-as^2}}{\underline{m}}$

? = 0

$$\frac{2k_B T}{m} s_{\max} = s_{\max}^3 \Rightarrow s_{\max} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{2k_B T}{m}}$$

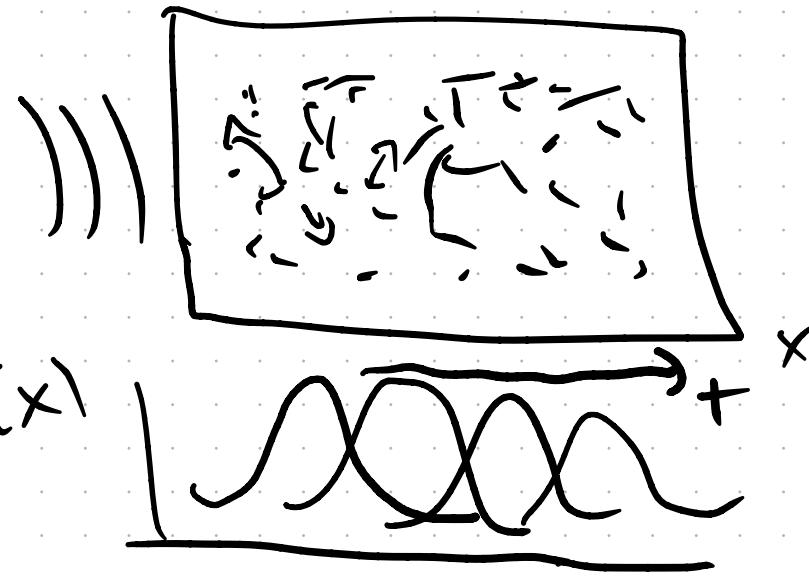
3 speeds:

$$\sqrt{\frac{2k_B T}{m}}, \quad \sqrt{\frac{8}{\pi} \frac{k_B T}{m}}, \quad \sqrt{\frac{3k_B T}{m}}$$

$s_{\max} < \langle s \rangle < \sqrt{\langle s^2 \rangle}$

$$86.6\% \langle s \rangle < \langle s \rangle < 108.5\% \langle s \rangle$$

Speed of Sound



$$C = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} S_{rms}$$
$$\gamma = C_p / C_v$$

From these speeds: calculate collision frequencies

Reaction rates:

- Proportional to collision frequency
- Energy to exceed some reaction threshold

(Pg 1116-1127 McQuarrie)

Evaporative Cooling

Most cases $E = KE + PE$

$$P(E) \propto e^{-\frac{1}{k_B T}(KE + PE)}$$

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$$e^{-\sum \frac{1}{2} \frac{mv^2}{k_B T}} \cdot e^{-\frac{U(T)}{k_B T}}$$

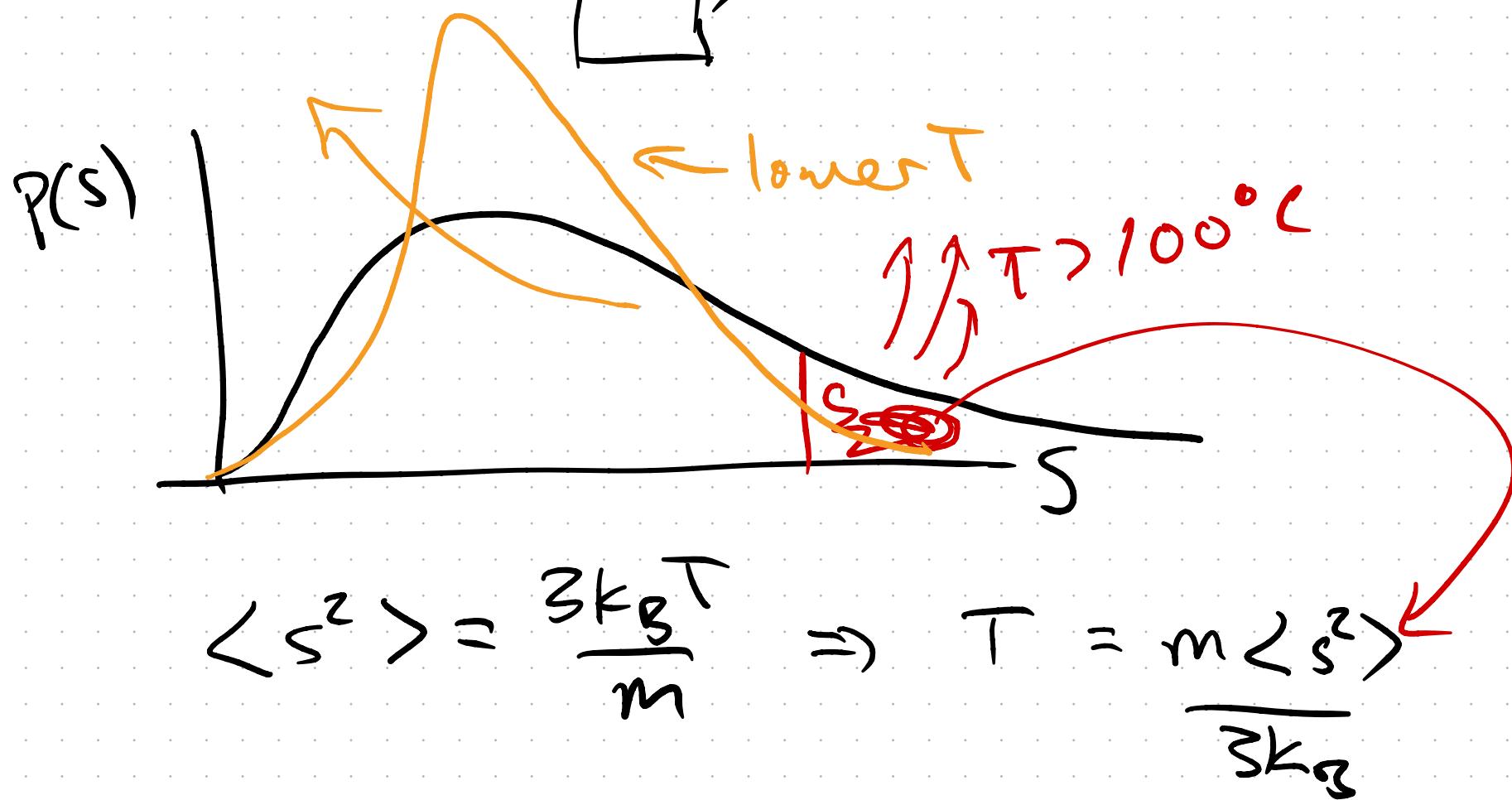
$$P(\vec{v}) \propto e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{mv^2}{k_B T}}$$

even in e.g.
a liquid @ Eq

Liquid



H₂O @ 95°C



Evaporate & take energy away

$$P(s > s^*) = \int_{s^*}^{\infty} P(s) ds$$