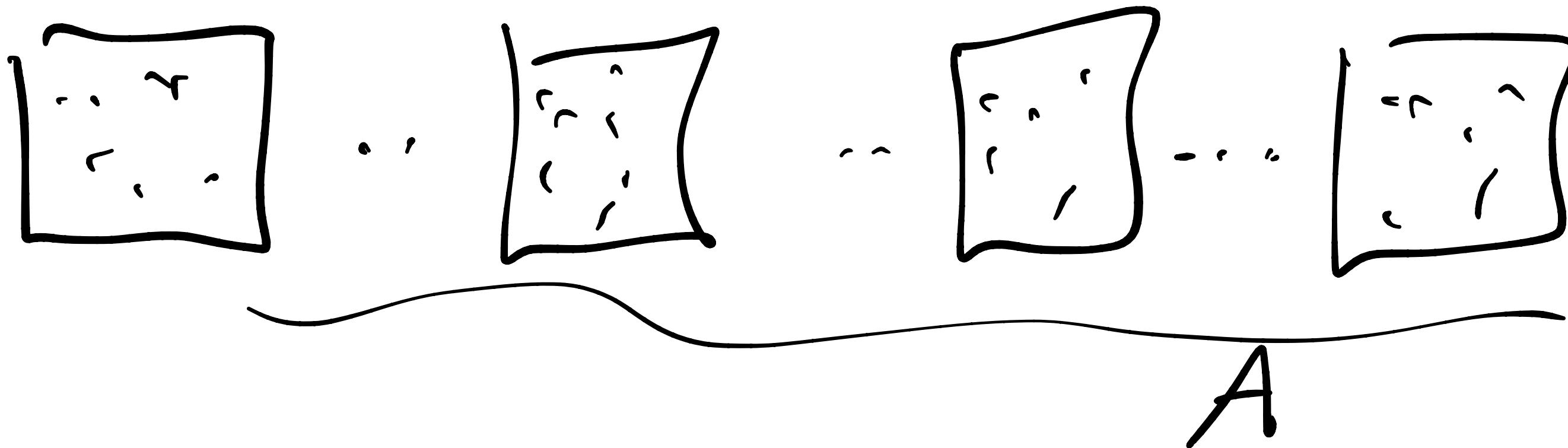


Lecture 21 - Thermodynamic Ensembles

Imagine - Many copies of system



Same "macro state"

Isolated - N, V, E

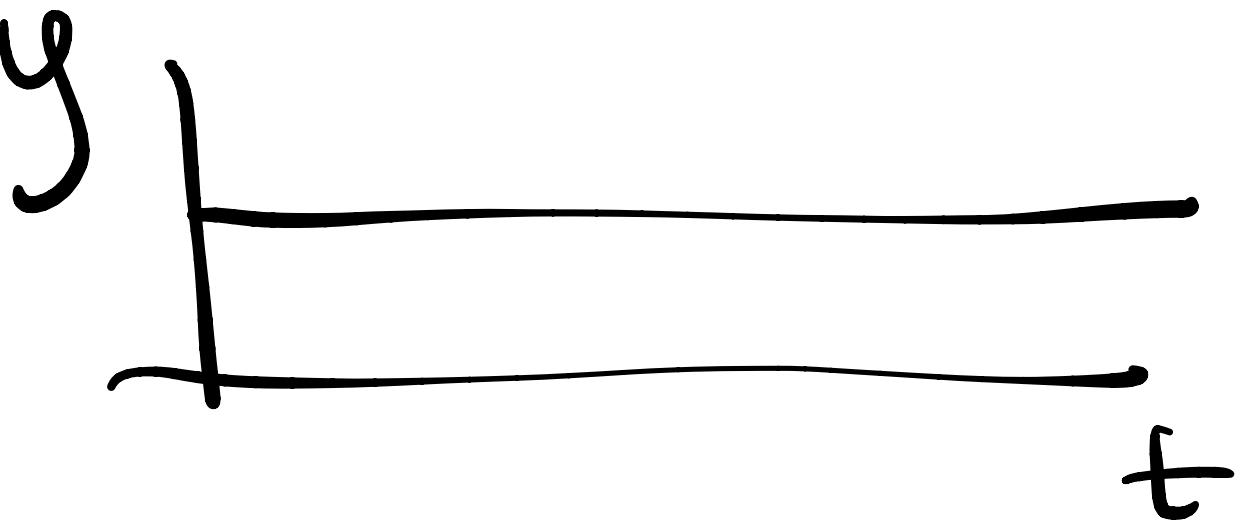
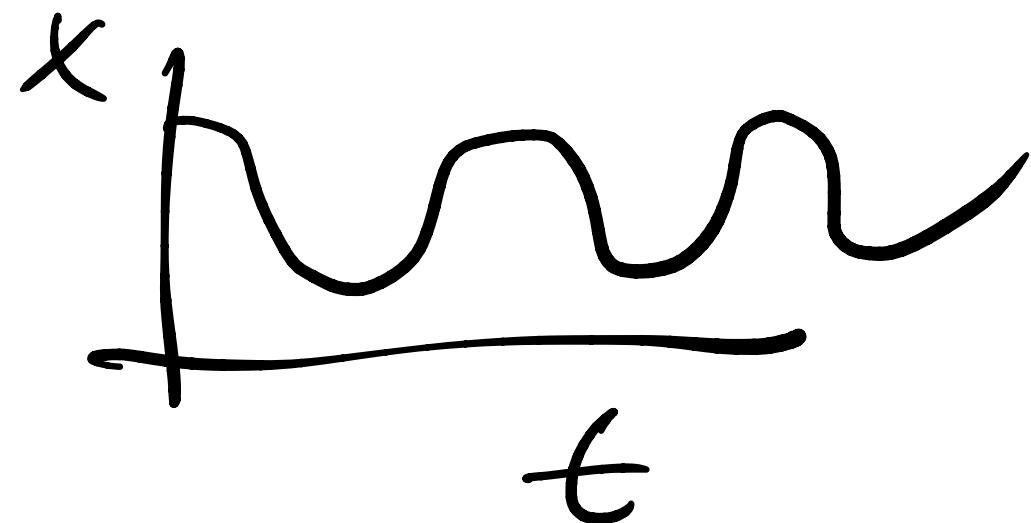
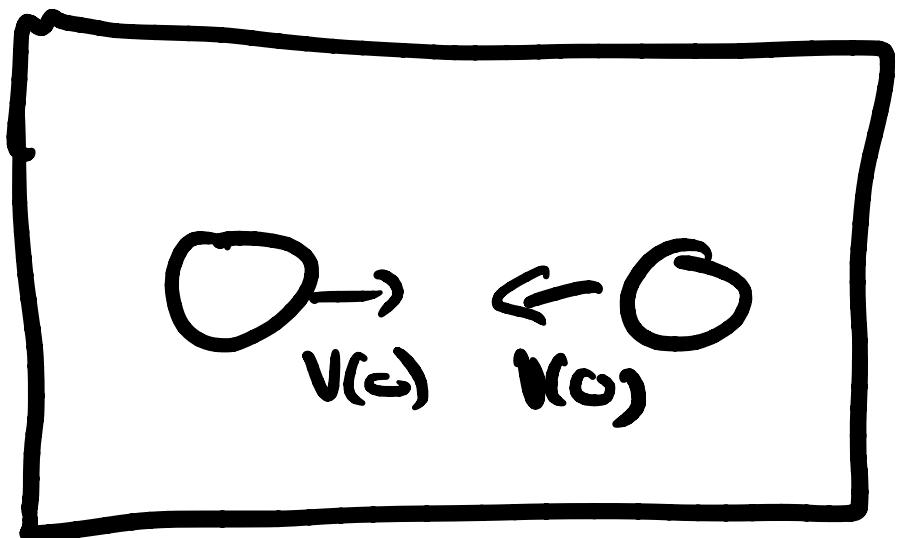
Ensemble average

$$\langle o \rangle_{\text{ensemble}} = \frac{1}{A} \sum_{i=1}^A o(\vec{x}_i)$$

Time average $\langle o \rangle_{\text{time}} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T o(\vec{x}(t))$

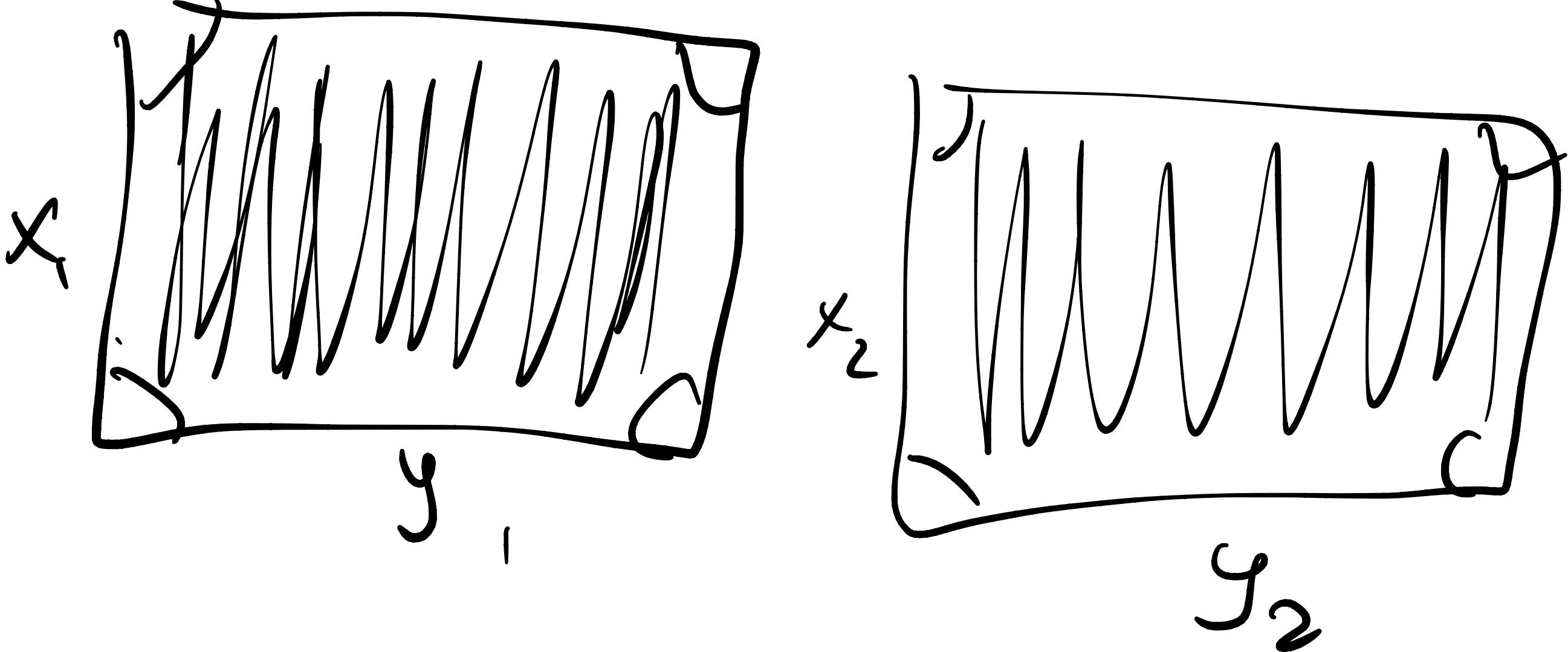
"Ergodic" hypothesis - cover long times

$$T, \quad \langle o \rangle_{\text{ensemble}} = \langle o \rangle_{\text{time}}$$



In this case, every (x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2) should be equally likely

Histogram



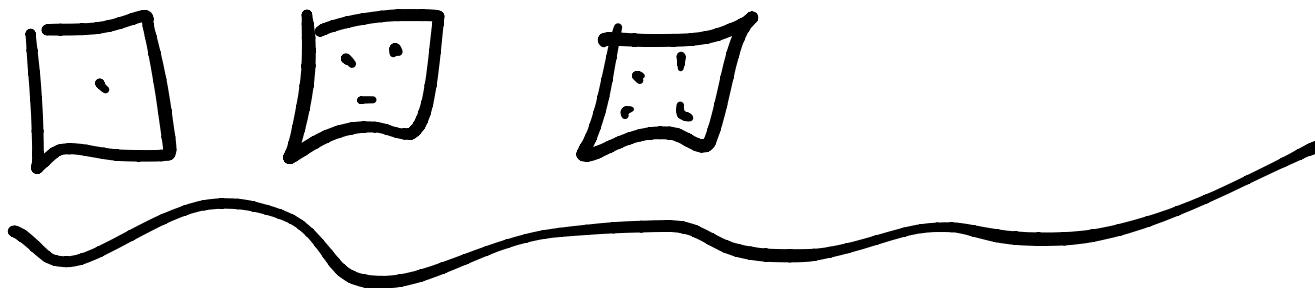
Ergodic

hypothesis

Organise system into "states"

P_i

likelihood of state i



Macro state is N dice

micro state

$$\sum_{\substack{\uparrow \\ 1-6}} m_1, m_2 \dots, m_N \sum_{\substack{\uparrow \\ 1-6}}$$

z dice

State total sum is

12

$$P_{\sum=12} = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$\langle O \rangle_{\text{ensemble}} = \frac{1}{A} \sum_{i=1}^A O(x_i)$$

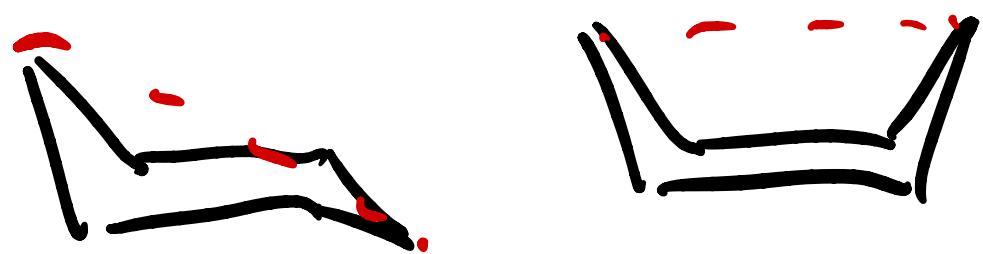
$$= \sum_{j=1}^{M_{\text{states}}} O(s_j) P(s_j)$$



Example: at const Temperature

$$P(\epsilon_i) \propto e^{-\epsilon_i/k_B T}$$

$$= +15 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

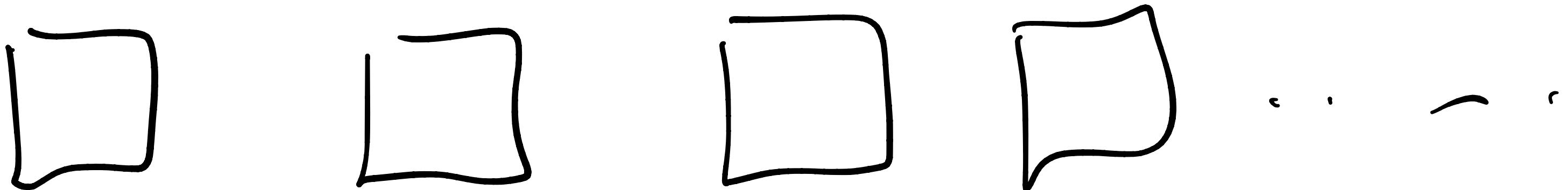


$$= 0$$

Example "0" distance between
C₁ and C₄

$$\langle d \rangle_{\text{Temperature}} = d_{\text{boat}} P_{\text{boat}} + d_{\text{chair}} P_{\text{chair}}$$

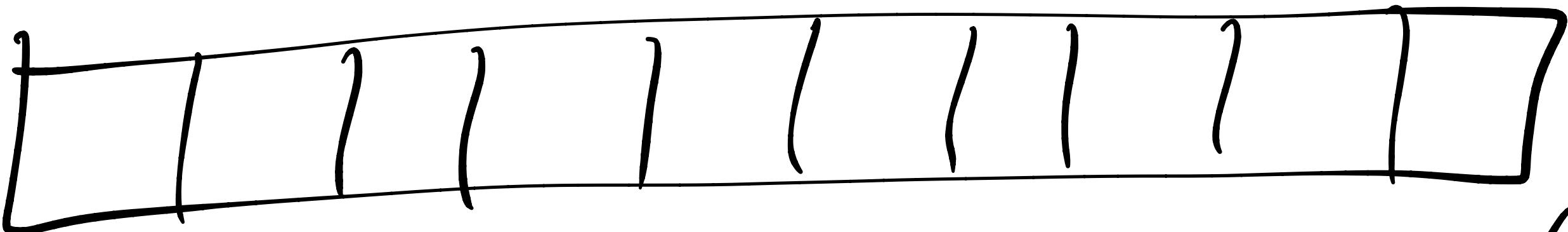
How likely is a particular state?



A copies
isolated \Leftarrow "microcanonical ensemble"
every system has constant N, V, E

Each can be in a different state

Scenario 2



A copies

in contact, g can flow

e.g. everything is at the same temp

Each has const N, V, T
individually

The full system of A copies has const ϵ

Maximize entropy of whole A copies
of system to see how many are
in each possible state

M possible states