

Statistical Ensemble

Property of collection of molecules

Statistical thermo - important properties
average over molecular configurations

Phase, optical properties, electronic
physical properties

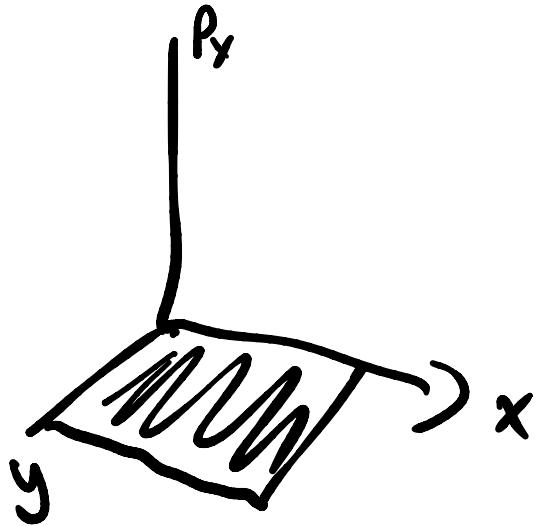
→ In a particular State

State set of thermo variables
(macro) N, V, E N, V, T

N_1, N_2, N_3, P, T

$d+2$ variables to define a state

microstate particular arrangement
 $6N_{\text{tot}}^{\text{degrees}}$ particular velocity (momentum)
degrees of freedom



state

N, V, E

x, y, z inside a "box"

of size $L_x \cdot L_y \cdot L_z = V$

$$E_{\text{total}} = KE + PE$$

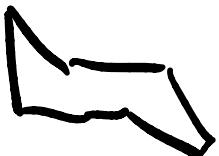
$$\frac{1}{2} m(v_x^2 + v_y^2) \leq E_{\text{total}}$$

1 atom in 2d

bonds
constrain to

Averages

Enumerate every state of system



possible states

$$1 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdots 2$$

$$= 2^N$$

distinguishable

$$\text{states } 2^N / N!$$

N molecules

m boat

$N-m$ chair

$$E = m \cdot E_{\text{boat}}$$

$$+ (N-m) E_{\text{chair}}$$

Enumerate states

Average of $O(\text{state})$

$$\langle O \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{M_{\text{states}}} O_i P_i$$

$\sum = \{x, y, z, \dots, \}$ $x_N y_N z_N$

or

$$= \int dx dy dz \dots dx_N dy_N dz_N$$
$$\dots dp'_x dp'_y dp'_z \dots dp'_N dp''_y dp''_z [O(x) P(x)]$$
$$\int \underbrace{dx^3 \dots dx^3}_{\vec{x}^{3N}} \underbrace{dp^3 \dots dp^3}_{\vec{p}^{3N}} O(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) P(\vec{x}, \vec{p})$$

How likely is each microstate
→ depends on type of state

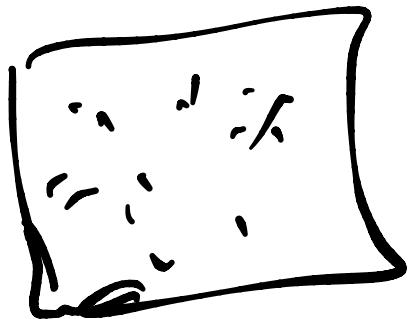
N, V, E

Microcanonical
Ensemble
Isolated

N, V, T

Canonical
Ensemble

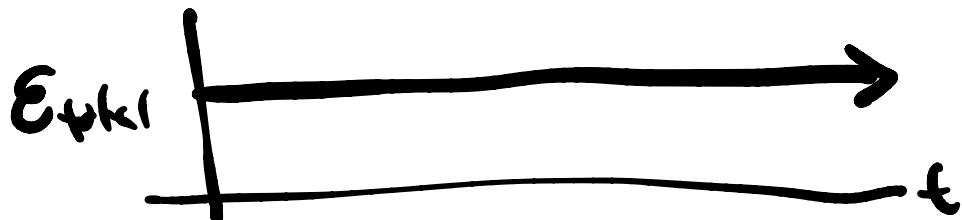
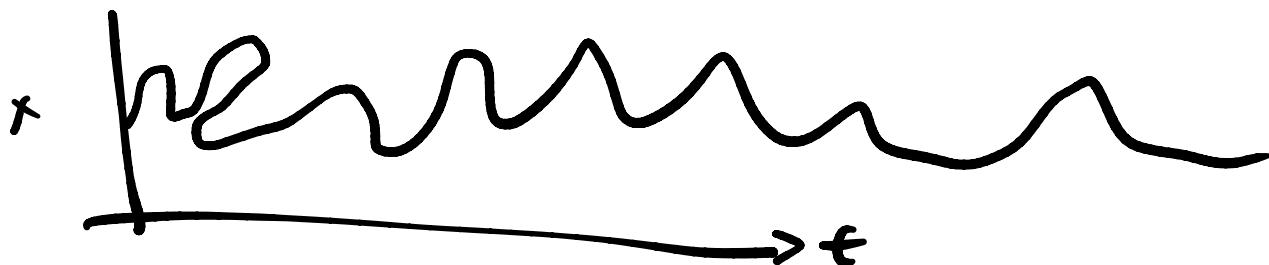
N, U, ε - isolated



Newton's equations

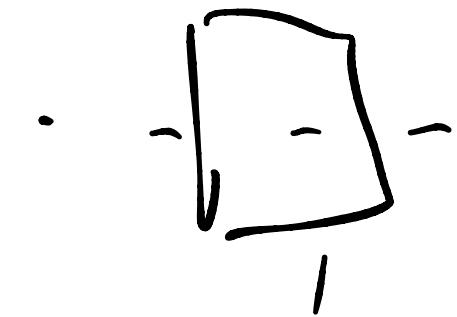
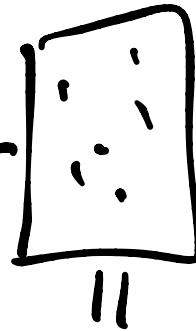
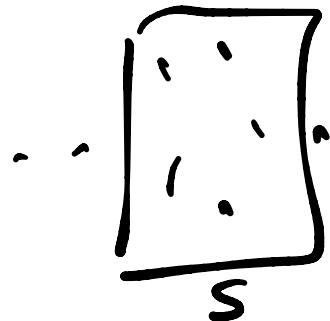
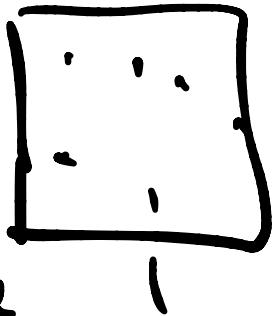
$$\vec{F} = \vec{m} \vec{a}$$

know \vec{x}_0, \vec{p}_0



Ensemble "many" copies of system
all in possible configurations
correct proportion

A copies



state

I

S

II

I

how likely is state k ?

$$P_k = \frac{M_k}{A} \quad \text{how many } k$$

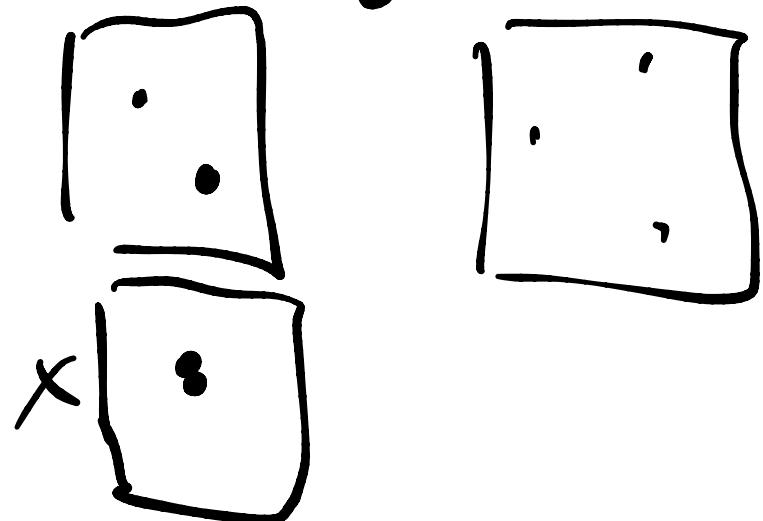
possible

$$\sum_{k=1}^A M_k = A$$

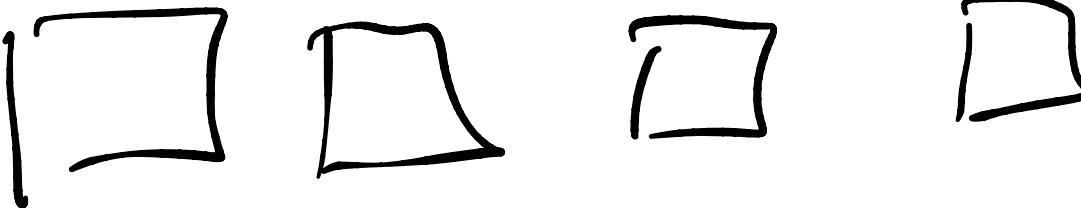
Microcanonical Ensemble

Every microstate equally likely

N, V, E



Ensemble



entropy: $S = k_B \ln W$

Statistically stable ensemble
will maximize entropy

$$W = \cancel{\frac{A!}{M_1! M_2! M_3! \dots M_{\#}!}}$$

(Multidimensional distribution)

A copies

order them in $A!$

possible states, can't distinguish
 $M_1, M_2 \dots$

Maximize S : $\frac{\partial S}{\partial M_k} = 0$ for each

→ makes M_k as large as possible for every k

Maximize $f(x)$ constraint

$$h(x) = h$$

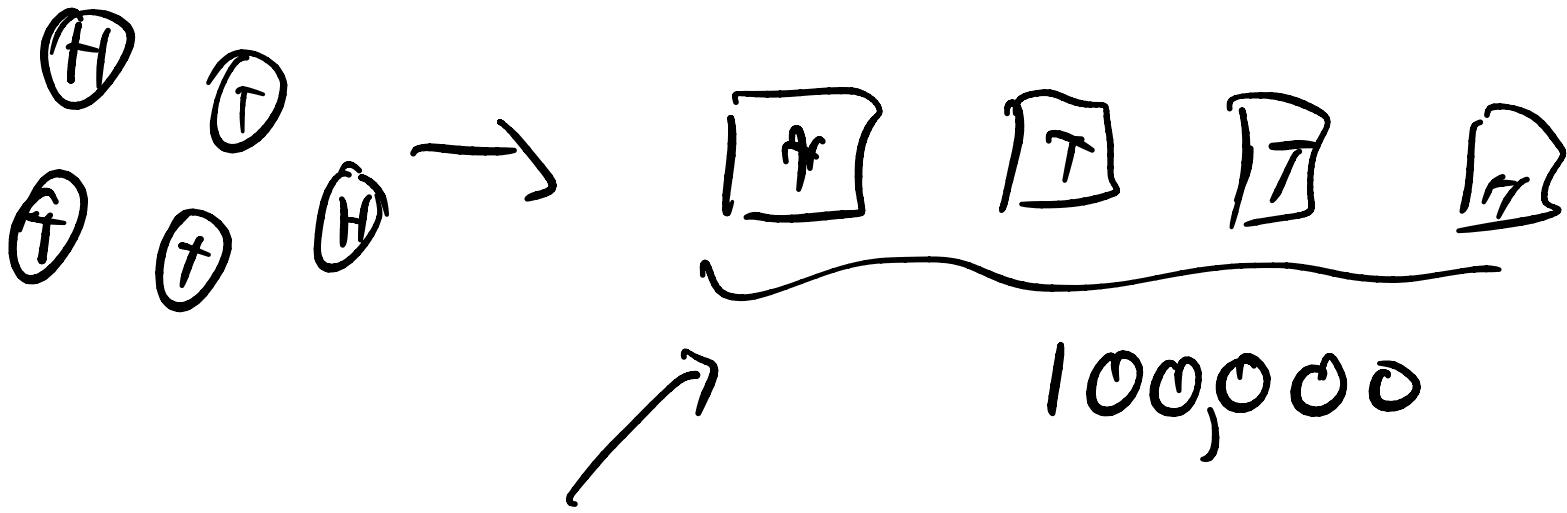
$$g(x, \alpha) = f(x) - \alpha(h(x) - A)$$

Maximize g instead of f

Lagrange multipliers

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\alpha(h(x) - h)) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial \alpha} = 0 = h(x) - h \Rightarrow h(x) = h$$



$$W = \frac{100,000!}{M_H! M_T!}$$

$$g = S = k \ln W$$

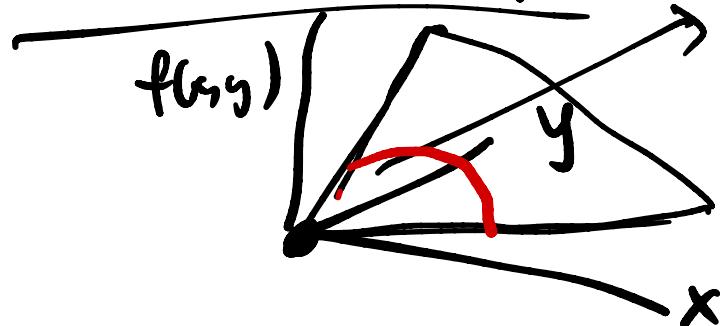
$$-\alpha(M_H + M_T - 100,000)$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln W}{\partial M_H} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln W}{\partial M_T} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial \alpha} = 0 \Rightarrow M_H + M_T = 100,000$$

Classic Example



If $x^2+y^2=1$



$$f(x,y) = x + y$$

where is this max or min

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 1 \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 1$$

$$g(x, y) = \underbrace{f(x, y)}_{x+y} - \alpha (x^2 + y^2 - 1)$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = 1 - 2\alpha x^* = 0 \Rightarrow x^* = \frac{1}{2\alpha}$$

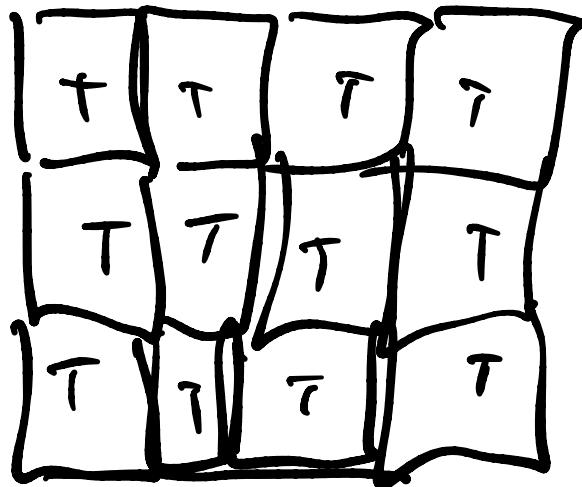
$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = 1 - 2\alpha y^* = 0 \quad y^* = \frac{1}{2\alpha}$$

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial \alpha} = x^{*2} + y^{*2} - 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{4\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{4\alpha^2} - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

is max at $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ if $x^2 + y^2 = 1$

Canonical Ensemble (ch 10)



A copies
→ can exchange
energy

N, V, E whole thing isolated

How likely is a microstate

$$S(M_1, M_2, \dots, M_{\#})$$

$$-\alpha (\sum M_i - A)$$

$$-\beta (\sum M_i \epsilon_i - \epsilon_{tot})$$

Boltzmann distribution

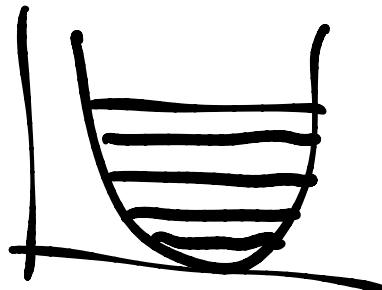
Maximize: $P_i = \frac{M_i}{A} \alpha e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}$

$$P_i = \frac{e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{\#} e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}}$$

$$\sum P_i = 1$$

$$Q = \sum_i e^{-\beta E_i} = \sum_i e^{-E_i/k_B T}$$

partition
function



$$E_n = h\nu(\frac{1}{2} + n)$$

turns out $\beta = 1/k_B T$

$$w_i = e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}$$

relative weight

$$p_i = w_i / Q = \frac{e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}}{\sum_i e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}}$$