

# Statistical Mechanics

Classical Stat. Mech.  
(deals with classical particles)  
Ex- gas molecules

Maxwell-Boltzmann's Stat.

Quantum Stat. Mech.  
(deals with quantum particles)  
Ex. 1

Particles with half integral spin  
(Ex-  $e^-$ ,  $p$ ,  $H^3$  atom, uneson)  
Fermi-Dirac Statistics

Particles with integral spin  
(Ex- photon, phonon,  $H_e^+$ ,  $\pi$ -meson)  
Bohr-Einstein Statistics

Basic concept of Energy Levels, Energy States of Quantum state and Degeneracy

a) for a bond  $e^-$ .

$$E_n = -\frac{me^4 z^2}{8\epsilon_0 \hbar^2 n^2} = -\frac{136 z^2}{n^2} \text{ eV}$$

Basis states  $(n, l, m_l, m_s)$

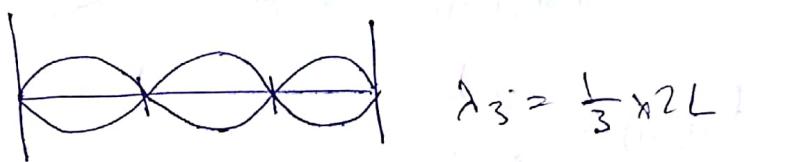
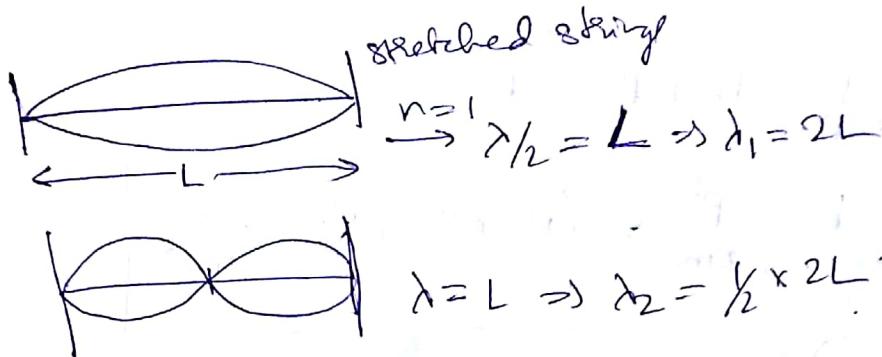
Energy Level	$n$	$l$	$m_l$	$m_s$	Energy States
2		0	0	$\pm \frac{1}{2}$	$(2s, 0, +\frac{1}{2}), (2s, 0, -\frac{1}{2})$
	2	1	$\pm 1$	$\pm \frac{1}{2}$	$(2p, 1, +\frac{1}{2}), (2p, 1, -\frac{1}{2})$
		0	$\pm 1$	$\pm \frac{1}{2}$	$(2p, 0, +\frac{1}{2}), (2p, 0, -\frac{1}{2})$
		-1	$\pm 1$	$\pm \frac{1}{2}$	$(2p, -1, +\frac{1}{2}), (2p, -1, -\frac{1}{2})$

Many and different energy state may correspond to a particular energy level, the no. of energy states corresponding to a particular energy level is known as degeneracy no. ( $g_l$ ).

for  $g_j = 1 \rightarrow$  the energy level is called non-degenerate energy level.

for  $g_j > 1 \rightarrow$  degenerate energy level.

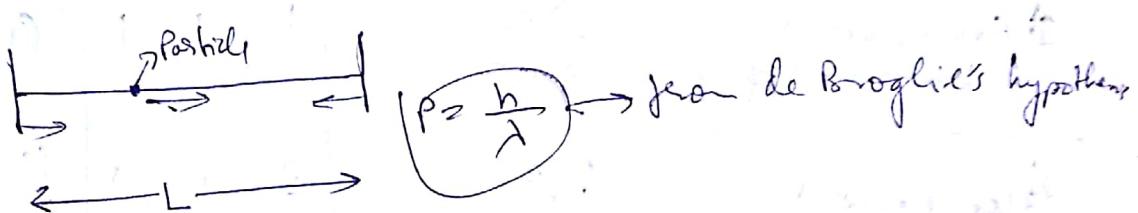
b) for a free particle



$$\lambda_1 = L$$

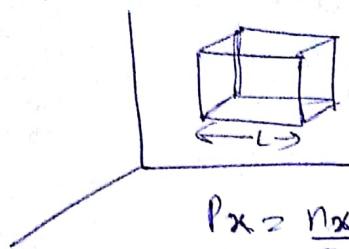
and so on -

$$\lambda_j = \frac{1}{n_j} \times 2L$$



$$P_j = \frac{h}{\lambda_j}$$

$$P_j = \frac{n_j \times h}{2L}, \quad n_j = 1, 2, \dots$$



considering the particle  
to be in a cubic box

$$p_x = \frac{n_x \pi h}{2L}$$

$$p_y = \frac{n_y \pi h}{2L}, \quad p_z = \frac{n_z \pi h}{2L}$$

$$(circular) \quad p^2 = p_x^2 + p_y^2 + p_z^2$$

$$E \geq \frac{p^2}{2m} \geq \left( n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2 \right) \frac{\pi^2}{8mL^2}$$

$\rightarrow$  has 4 quantum states

$n_x, n_y, n_z$  & spin quantum no. ( $m_s$ )

$$E_{(1,1,1)} = \frac{3\pi^2}{8mL^2}$$

Energy Level	Energy Value	$n_x$	$n_y$	$n_z$	Energy state/ Quantum State
1 Grand state or lowest energy	$\frac{3\pi^2}{8mL^2}$	1	1	1	(1,1,1)
2 1st excited	$\frac{6\pi^2}{8mL^2}$	2	1	1	(2,1,1)
		1	2	1	(1,2,1)
		1	1	2	(1,1,2)
3 2nd	$\frac{9\pi^2}{8mL^2}$	2	2	1	(2,2,1)
		2	1	2	(2,1,2)
		1	2	2	(1,2,2)
4 3rd	$\frac{11\pi^2}{8mL^2}$	3	1	1	(3,1,1)
		1	3	1	(1,3,1)
		1	1	3	(1,1,3)
5 4th	$\frac{12\pi^2}{8mL^2}$	2	2	2	(2,2,2)

$$(coincident) \quad p^2 = p_x^2 + p_y^2 + p_z^2$$

$$\boxed{E \geq \frac{p^2}{2m} \Rightarrow (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) \frac{\hbar^2}{8mL^2}}$$

↳ has 4 quantum states

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2) 1st excited	$\frac{6\hbar^2}{8mL^2}$	2 1 1	1 2 1	1 1 2	(2,1,1) (1,2,1) (1,1,2)
3) 2nd	$\frac{9\hbar^2}{8mL^2}$	2 2 1	2 1 2	1 2 2	(2,2,1) (2,1,2) (1,2,2)
4) 3rd	$\frac{12\hbar^2}{8mL^2}$	3 1 1	1 3 1	1 1 3	(3,1,1) (1,3,1) (1,1,3)
5) 4th	$\frac{15\hbar^2}{8mL^2}$	(2) 2	2	2	(2,2,2)

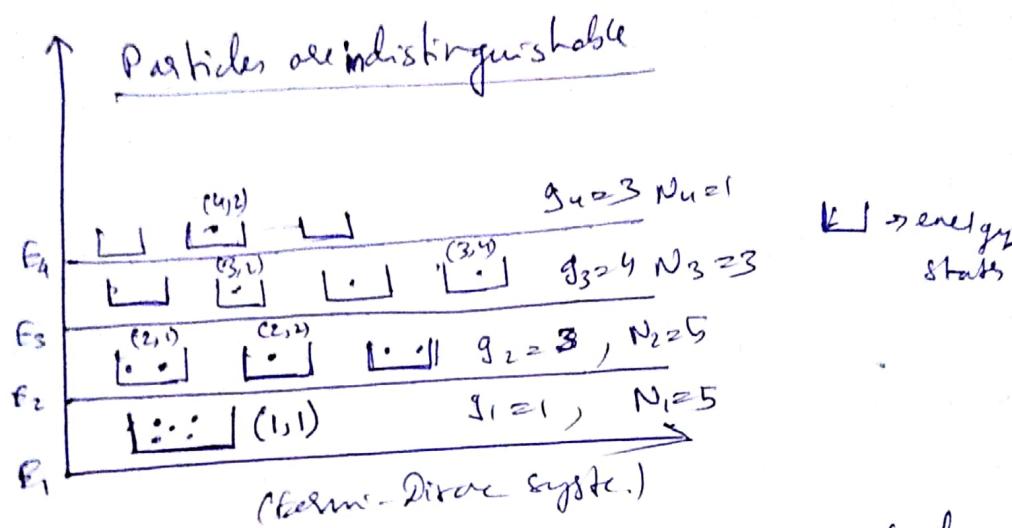
Degeneracy

$g_1 = 1 \rightarrow$  Non-degenerate level

$g_2 = 3 \rightarrow$  Degenerate level

$g_3 = 3 \rightarrow$  Degenerate level

# Schematic Representation of Energy Level, Energy States & degeneracy



- Occupation No. ( $N_i$ ) No. of particles in a particular energy level of the system.

- Total no. of particles of the system,

$$N = N_1 + N_2 + N_3 + \dots + N_i$$

for closed system  $N = \sum N_i = \underline{\text{constant}}$

- Each particle energy in  $i$ th energy level having energy  $E_i$  irrespective of the energy states it occupies at that level.
- The total energy of the system -

$$U = N_1 E_1 + N_2 E_2 + \dots + N_i E_i$$

for an isolated system -

$$U = \sum N_i E_i = \underline{\text{constant}}$$

$$U = f$$

Macrostates - A specification of the set of occupation no. i.e. the no. of particles in each energy level of the system is defined as the macrostate of the system.

$$M(N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots, N_i)$$

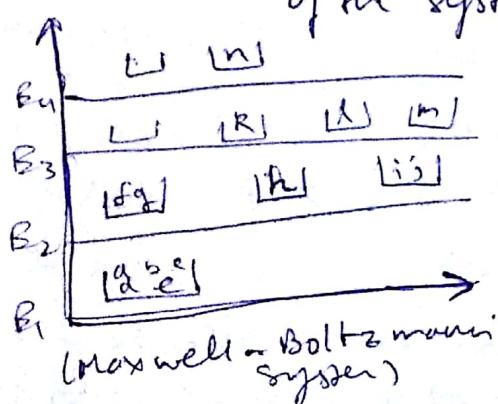
$\leftarrow$  On this case  $M(5, 5, 3, 1)$

- Microstate - i) If the particles are indistinguishable  
 (W) a specification of the set of no. of particles  
 in each energy states of the system is defined  
 as the microstate of the sysytem.

 microstates

- |       |                                   |              |
|-------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| (1,1) | Energy states contains 5 particle | 1 microstate |
| (2,1) | ..                                |              |
| (2,2) | ..                                |              |
| :     | ..                                |              |
| (4,2) | ..                                |              |

i) If the particles are distinguishable, a specification of the quantum state of each particle of the system is defined microstate of the system.



- (1) Energy states contain discrete, like  
 (2) . . . f h  
 (2) . . . g  
 1.  
 (3) . . . n

Each particle can only be in one quantum state at a time. The system taken as a whole can only be 1 microstate at a time

Changing the quantum state of any one particle of the system will change the microstate of the system as a whole.

There are actually a large no. of ways in which this transfer can be made without changing the macrostate of the system.

The no. of microstate ( $w$ ) to a particular macrostate ( $M$ ) is known as Thermodynamic Probability of the given macrostate.

Macrostate  $M(N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots, N_i)$   
↓  
Microstates  $\rightarrow w = ??$

$$N = \sum N_i \rightarrow \text{closed}$$

$$E_1 = 1 \text{ eV}$$

$$E_2 = 2 \text{ eV}$$

$$E_3 = 3 \text{ eV}$$

$$E_4 = 4 \text{ eV}$$

$$\text{Given } N = 14 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M_1(3, 5, 3, 1) \\ U = 28 \text{ eV} \end{array} \right. \rightarrow w_1 = ??$$

Constant values of total energy  $U$  (with  $U = \sum E_i N_i$ ) and total no. of particles  $N$  (with  $N = \sum N_i$ ) are possible even if the occupation no. of the energy levels are varied. But, every time we change this no. we get a new macrostate. Corresponding to each of this macrostate ( $M_k$ ) there are a large no. of microstate ( $w_k$ ).

The total no. of microstate of the system is known as the thermodynamic probability of the given macro system -

$$\Omega = w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_K.$$

$$\text{or} \\ \Omega = \sum w_k$$

( $w_i$ )  $\rightarrow$  is thermodynamic probability of given macrostate  $M_i$ )  
and so on

The fundamental postulate of statistical mechanics states that in an isolated and closed system all the possible microstates ( $\Omega$ ) are equally probable.

- The probability of a given microstate:

$$p = \frac{1}{\Omega}$$

- The probability of a given macrostate:

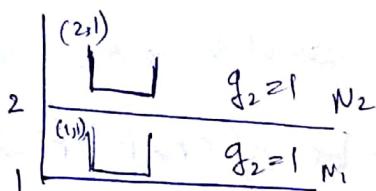
$$P_{M_k} = \frac{w_k}{\Omega}$$

- Most probable state - is simply the macrostate which has the maximum no. of microstate.

Q1) 4 particles are distributed over 2 non-degenerate energy level. Find the macrostate & microstate of the system of the particles

- i) Distinguishable
- ii) Indistinguishable.

Distinguishable  
 $N=4$



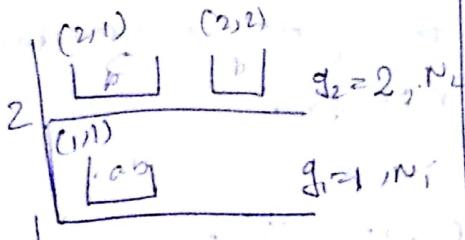
Indistinguishable

Macrostate	Microstate
$M_1 = (4, 0)$	$w_1 = \frac{(1,1)(2,1)}{ab,cd}$
$M_2 = (3, 1)$	$w_2 = \begin{array}{ c c } \hline bcd & a \\ acd & b \\ abd & c \\ abc & d \\ \hline \end{array} \Rightarrow 4$
$M_3 = (2, 2)$	Most probable state
$M_4 = (1, 3)$	$w_3 = \begin{array}{ c c } \hline cd & ab \\ bd & ac \\ bc & ad \\ ayd & bc \\ ac & bd \\ ab & cd \\ \hline \end{array} \Rightarrow 6$
$M_5 = (0, 4)$	$w_4 = 4$
$M_6 = 5$	$w_5 = 16$

Macrostate	Microstate
$M_1 = (4, 0)$	$w_1 = 1$
$M_2 =$	$w_2 = 1$
$M_3 =$	$w_3 = 1$
$M_4 =$	$w_4 = \frac{4 \times 3}{2} = 6$
$M_5 =$ same	$w_5 = 1$

Q3) 2 particles are distributed in 2 energy levels, with  $g_1=2$ ,  $g_2=2$  respectively. Find the macro & microstate.

Distinguishable



macrostate

$$\begin{array}{ll} M_1(2,0) & w_1 = 1 \\ M_2(1,1) & w_2 = 4 \\ M_3(0,2) & w_3 = 4 \end{array}$$

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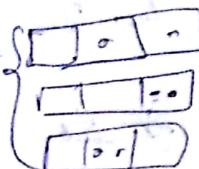
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Indistinguishable

$$M_1 \quad w_1 = 1$$

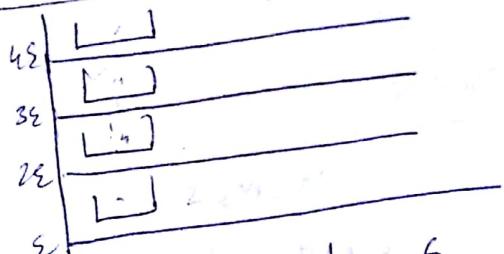
$$M_2 \quad w_2 = 2$$

$$M_3 \quad w_3 = 3$$



Q3) 3 particles each of which can be in any one of the  $\epsilon, 2\epsilon, 3\epsilon, 4\epsilon$  energy states have the total energy of the system =  $6\epsilon$ . Find all possible distribution of all the particles of the system. If the particles are

Distinguishable



$$M_1(2,0,0,0) \rightarrow w_1 = 6$$

$$M_2(1,1,0,0) \rightarrow w_2 = 3$$

$$M_3(0,2,0,0) \rightarrow w_3 = 1$$

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Indistinguishable

$$w_1 = 1$$

$$w_2 = 1$$

$$w_3 = 1$$

3

## Maxwell - Boltzmann Statistics (MB.S)

Basic postulate of M.B.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{distinguish} \\ \text{particle} \\ N=2 \\ \boxed{\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \square \\ \hline & \square \\ \hline \end{array}} \quad g_1 = 1 \\ n(1,1) \Rightarrow w = 1 \end{array}$$

1. The particles are considered to be identical and distinguishable
2. The total no. of particles of the system is constant

$$N = N_1 + N_2 + \dots + N_i = \text{const.}$$

$$\boxed{N = \sum N_i = \text{const.}}$$

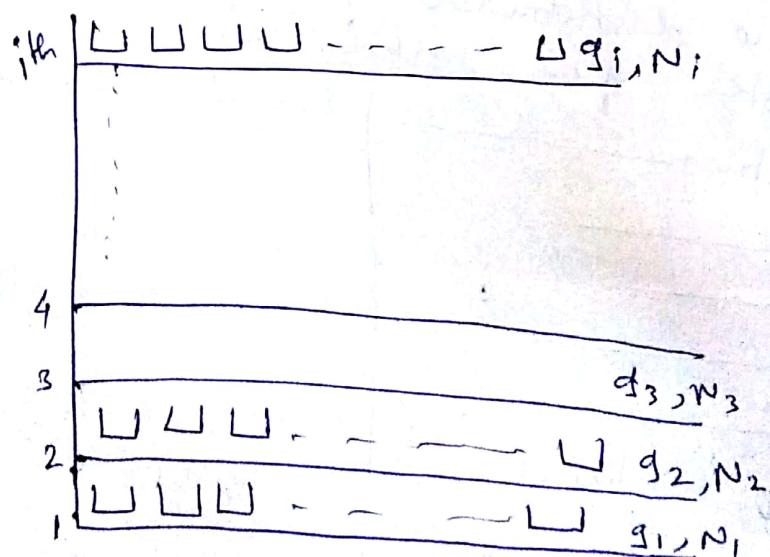
$$3. U = E_1 N_1 + E_2 N_2 + \dots + E_i N_i = \text{const.}$$

$$\boxed{U = \sum E_i N_i = \text{const.}}$$

4. The particles do not obey Pauli's Exclusion principle.

### (\*) P.M. - Gas molecules

Now we will calculate the no. of possible microstate (i.e. Thermodynamic Probability) corresponding to a macrostate  $M(N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots, N_i)$  for a system of particles (gas molecules) obeying Maxwell - Boltzmann statistics.



1. The no. of ways to collect  $N_1$  particles from  $N$  particles in 1st Energy Level

$$= {}^N C_{N_1} \text{ ways}$$

Similarly,

$N_2$  particles from  $(N - N_1)$ .

in 2nd Energy Level

$${}^{N-N_1} C_{N_2}$$

and so on--

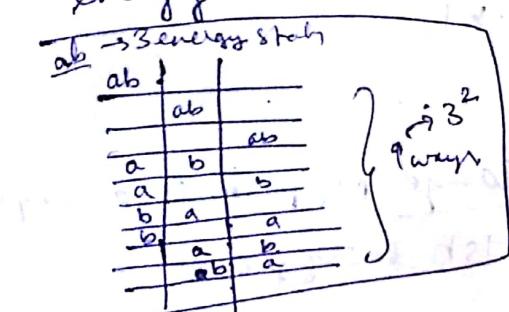
Total no. of ways to collect  $N_1, N_2, \dots, N_i$  particles in 1st, 2nd, ...,  $i$ th Energy Level resp.

$${}^N C_{N_1} \times {}^{N-N_1} C_{N_2} \times \dots \times$$

$$= \frac{N!}{N_1! (N-N_1)!} \times \frac{(N-N_1)!}{N_2! (N-N_1-N_2)!} \times \dots$$

$$= \frac{N!}{N_1! N_2! \dots N_i!}$$

2. The no. of ways to arrange  $N_i$  particles among  $g_i$  energy state in 1st Energy Level



$$\downarrow \\ g_i^{N_i}$$

Similarly --  
no. of ways among  $g_2$  energy state in 2nd Energy Level

$$= g_2^{N_2} \text{ ways.}$$

and so on--

# The effective no. of ways to distribute  $n$  particles under the macrostate  $M(N_1, N_2, \dots, N_i)$  obeying MB statistics.

$$W = \underbrace{\frac{N!}{N_1! N_2! \dots N_i!}}_{\text{collect}} \times \underbrace{g_1^{N_1} \times g_2^{N_2} \times \dots \times g_i^{N_i}}_{\text{arrange}}$$

$$W_{MB} = N! \prod_i \frac{g_i^{N_i}}{N_i!}$$

# Quantum Statistics

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## Fermi - Dirac Statistics (FDS)

1. The particles are considered to be identical and indistinguishable.

$$2. N = \sum N_i = \text{const.}$$

$$3. U = \sum E_i N_i = \text{const.}$$

4. The particles have half integral spin

5. The particles have asymmetric wave function.

6. Particles obey Pauli's <sup>Exclusion</sup> Principle

Ex -  $e^-$ ,  $p$ ,  $n$ ,  $\text{He}^+$ ,  $\mu$ -meson etc. (Fermions)

Calculation -

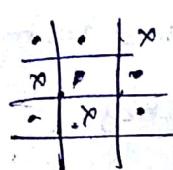
1. Total no. of ways to collect  $N_1, N_2, \dots, N_i$  particles in 1st, 2nd, ...,  $i$ th energy level.

$$= 1 \times 1 \times 1 \times \dots \times 1$$

$$= 1 \text{ ways.}$$

2. The no. of ways to arrange  $N_i$  particles amongst  $g_i$  energy states in 1st energy level

Particle  
in  
3  
energy  
state



$$= \frac{g_1 \times (g_1-1) \times (g_1-2) \times \dots \times (g_1-N_1+1)}{N_1!}$$

[ $\because$  Particles are indistinguishable]

$$= g_1 \times (g_1-1) \times (g_1-2) \times \dots \times (g_1-N_1+1) \times (g_1-N_1) \times (g_1-N_1-1) \times \dots \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

$$= \frac{g_1!}{N_1!(g_1-N_1)!} = {}^{g_1}C_{N_1}$$

$$W = \underbrace{1 \times 1 \times \dots \times 1}_{\text{collect}} \times \underbrace{\frac{g_1}{C_{N_1}} \times \frac{g_2}{C_{N_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{g_l}{C_{N_l}}}_{\text{arrange}}$$

$$W_{PD} = \prod_i \frac{g_i}{C_{N_i}}$$

### Bose-Einstein's Statistics

1. The particles are considered identical & indisting.
2.  $N = \sum N_i = \text{const.}$
3.  $U = \sum E_i N_i = \text{const.}$
4. The particles have integral spin.
5. symmetric wave function
6. Particles do not obey Pauli's Excl. Principle

Ex - photon, phonon, He<sup>4</sup> atom, neutron

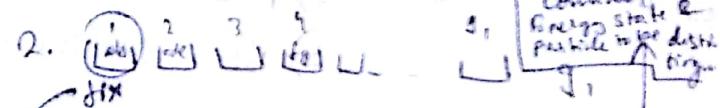
### Calculate

particle's energy state

1	2	3	4	5	6
.	.	.	.	.	.
.	.	.	.	.	.
x	x	x	x	x	x
.	.	.	.	.	.

6 ways

1. Total ways to collect = 1 way



the total no. of object =  $g_1 + N_1$  (considering distinguishable)

remaining object =  $(g_1 + N_1 - 1)$

Permutation

$$(g_1 + N_1 - 1)!$$

No. of ways to fix =  $g_1$

So, total permutations =  $\frac{(g_1)! \cdot (g_1 + N_1 - 1)!}{N_1! (g_1 - 1)!}$

$$\frac{g_1! N_1!}{N_1! (g_1 - 1)!}$$

Here both are indistinguishable

$$= \frac{(g_1 + N_1 - 1)!}{N_1! (g_1 - 1)!}$$

$$= \frac{g_1 + N_1 - 1}{C_{N_1}} \text{ ways}$$

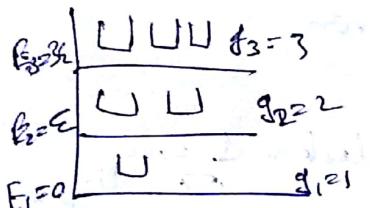
$$W_{BG} = \underbrace{1 \times 1 \times 1 \times \dots \times}_{\text{Collect}} \frac{g_i + N_i - 1}{N_i} \times \frac{g_{i+1} + N_{i+1} - 1}{N_{i+1}} \times \dots$$

$$W_{BG} = N! \frac{g_1 + N_1 - 1}{N_1} \frac{g_2 + N_2 - 1}{N_2} \dots$$

Ex 1 4 particles are distributed in 3 energy levels with energies  $0, \epsilon, 3\epsilon$  so that the total energy is  $4\epsilon$

Energy levels are degenerate with degeneracy 1, 2, 3 resp.

Find all possible distribution of all the particles if the particles obey -



- 1) MB
- 2) P-D
- 3) BE, statistics

Ans

MB

$$W_{MB} = N! \cdot \pi_i \frac{g_i^{N_i}}{N_i!}$$

Macrostate

Microstates

$$M_1 = (0, 4, 0) \rightarrow W_1 = 4! \times \frac{1^0 \times 2^4 \times 3^0}{0!, 4!, 0!} = 16$$

$$M_2 = (2, 1, 1)$$

$$\rightarrow W_2 = 4! \times \frac{2^2 \times 1^1 \times 3^1}{2!, 1!, 1!} = 72$$

$$W = 88$$

$2^N$   
?

F-D

No macrostates possible for  $\mu_1$ .

B-B

$$M_1(0,4,0) \rightarrow W_1 = {}^{1+0-1}C_0 \times {}^{2+4-1}C_4 \times {}^{3+0-1}C_0$$

$$M_2(2,1,1)$$

$$= 5$$

$$W_2 = {}^{1+2-1}C_2 \times {}^{2+1-1}C_1 \times {}^{3+1-1}C_1$$

$$= 1 \times 2 \times 3 = 6$$

$$W = 11$$

- Distribution Law -

Box-Binokch

$$W = \prod_i {}^{g_i + N_i - 1}C_{N_i} = \prod_i \frac{(g_i + N_i - 1)!}{N_i! (g_i - 1)!}$$

- $\sum N_i = \text{const}$  ①
- $\sum E_i N_i = \text{const}$  ②

$$\Rightarrow \ln W = \sum_i \left[ \ln \left( \frac{(g_i + N_i - 1)!}{N_i! (g_i - 1)!} \right) \right] \quad \begin{matrix} \text{very} \\ \text{large} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{neglect} \end{matrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$  [Applying scaling approx  
 $\ln x! = x \ln x - x$ ,  $x$  is very large]

$$\ln W = \sum_i \left[ (g_i + N_i) \ln(g_i + N_i) - (g_i + N_i) - N_i \ln N_i + N_i - (g_i - 1) \ln(g_i - 1) + (g_i - 1) \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow d[\ln W] = \sum_i dN_i \ln(g_i + N_i) + dN_i - dg_i - dN_i \ln N_i - dg_i + dg_i$$

$$\Rightarrow d[\ln W] = \sum_i \ln \left( \frac{g_i + N_i}{N_i} \right) dN_i$$

for most prob. state  $(W)$  is max.  
 $\ln W$  is also max.