

Statistical Ensemble

Property of collection of molecules

Statistical thermo- important properties
average over molecular configurations

Phase, optical properties, electronic
physical properties

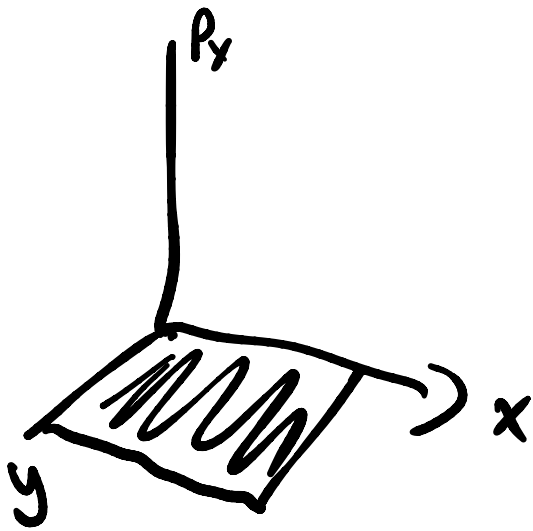
→ In a particular State

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
particular velocity / momentum
 $6N_{\text{atoms}}$ degrees of freedom



State
 N, U, 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
constraints

Averages

Enumerate every state of system



C_6H_{12} - 3.18 \rightarrow 2 important states

possible states
is $2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdots 2$
 $= 2^N$

distinguishable
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 $O(\text{state})$

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

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

or

$$= \int dx, dy, dz, \dots, dx_N, dy_N, dz_N$$
$$\dots \int d^3p_1 d^3p_2 \dots d^3p_N \quad [O(\underline{x}) P(\underline{x})]$$
$$\int d\vec{x}^{3N} d\vec{p}^{3N} \quad O(\vec{x}, \vec{p}) P(\vec{x}, \vec{p})$$

How likely is each microstate
→ depends on type of state

N, U, E
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Microcanonical  
Ensemble  
Isolated

$N, U, T$   
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Canonical
Ensemble

N, U, E - isolated

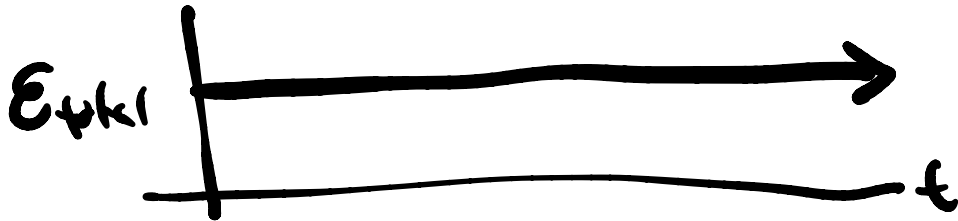


Newton's equations

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

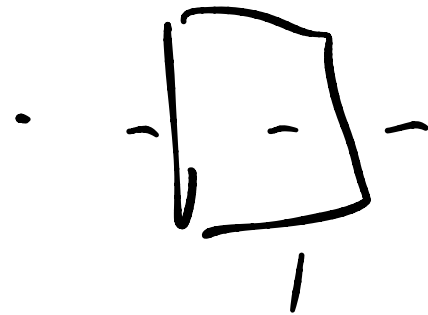
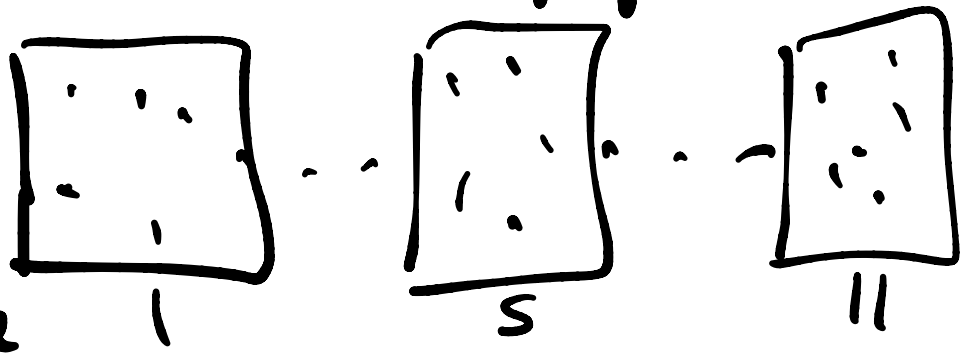
know

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



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

~ A copies



how likely is state k ?

$$P_k = \frac{M_k}{A}$$

← how many k

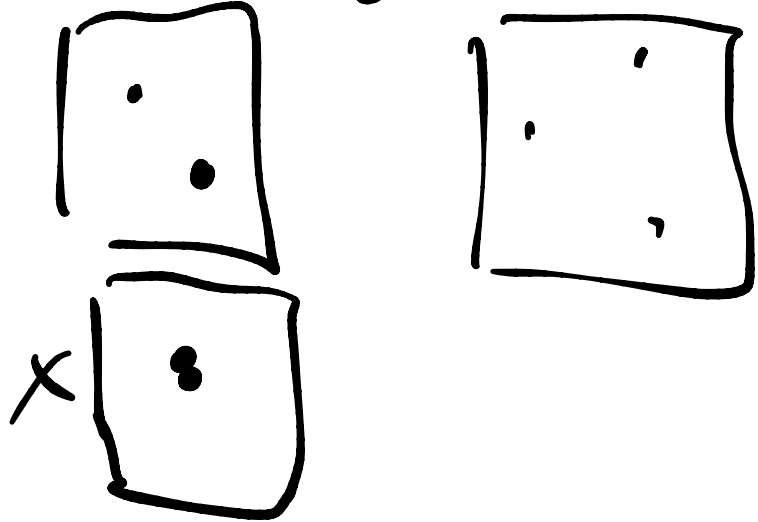
possible

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

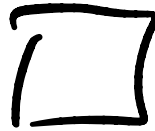
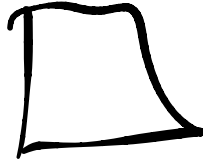
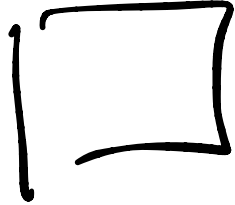
Microcanonical Ensemble

Every microstate equally likely

N, V, E



Ensemble



Entropy:

$$S = k_B \ln W$$

Statistically

state ensemble

will maximize entropy

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

(Multinomial 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 k
 \rightarrow makes M_k as large as possible for every k

Maximize $f(x)$ constraint
 $h(x) = h$

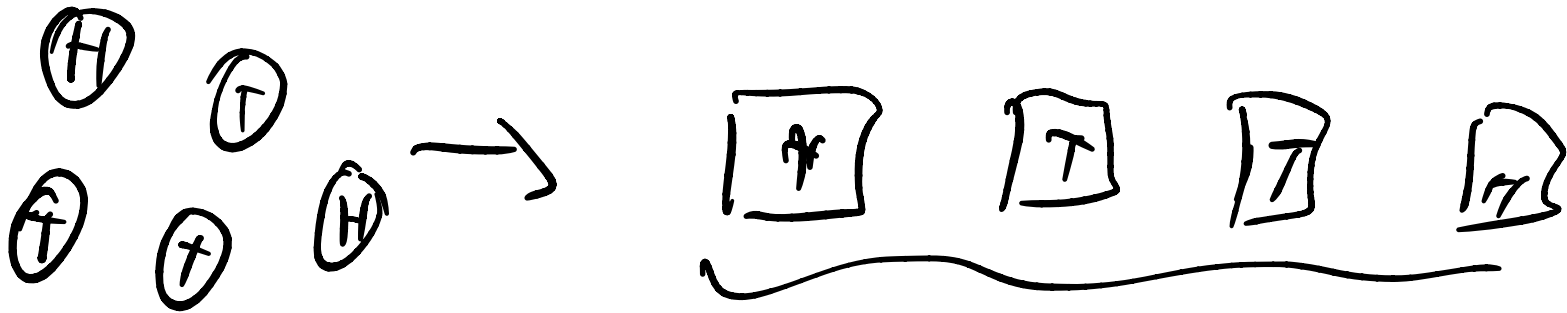
$$g(x, \alpha) = f(x) - \alpha (h(x) - h)$$

maximize g instead of f

Lagrange multipliers

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

$$\partial g / \partial \alpha = 0 = h(x) - h \Rightarrow h(x) = h$$



100,000

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

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

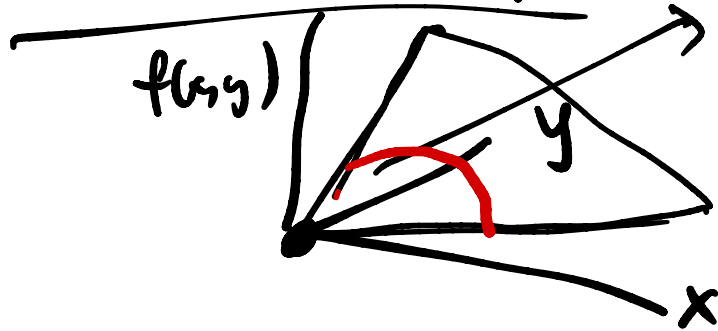
$$- \alpha (M_H + M_T - 100,000)$$

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

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

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

Classic Example



$$\text{if } x^2 + y^2 = 1$$



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

where is this max or min

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

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

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

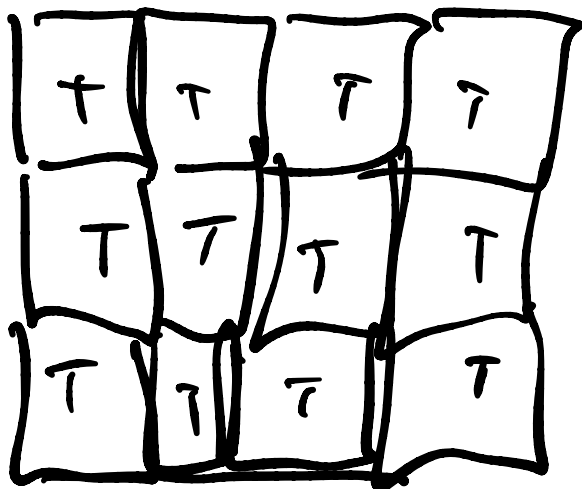
$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = 1 - 2\alpha y^* = 0 \quad y^* = \frac{1}{2\alpha}$$

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

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

f 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

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

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

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

↙ Boltzmann
distribution

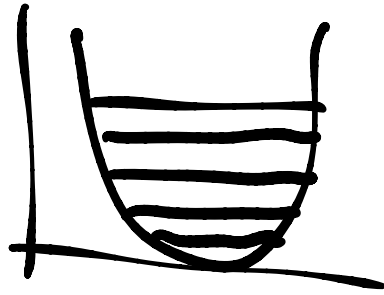
Maximize: $P_i = \frac{M_i}{A} \propto e^{-\beta \epsilon_i}$

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

$$\sum P_i = 1$$

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

partition
function



$$\epsilon_n = h\nu \left(\frac{1}{2} + n \right)$$

turns out $\beta = 1 / k_B T$

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

relative weight

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