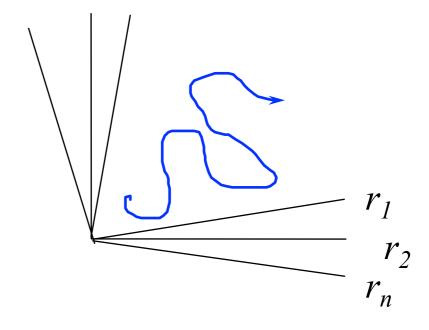
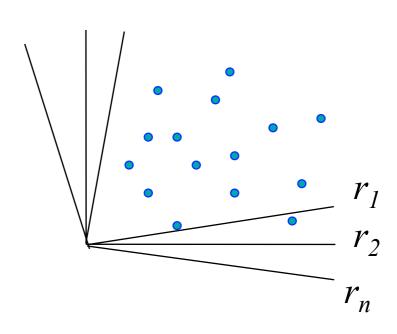
Introduction

#### Molecular Simulations

→ Molecular dynamics: solve equations of motion



→ Monte Carlo: importance sampling



#### How do we know our simulation is correct?

#### Molecular Dynamics:

- if the force field is correct we follow the "real" dynamics of our system,
- if we simulate sufficiently long, we can compute the properties of interest

  Statistical

#### Monte Carlo:

- what is the distribution we need to sample?
- how do we sample this distribution?

Importance Sampling

Thermodynamics

#### Outline

- 2. Thermodynamics
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2.2 Forces and Thermodynamics

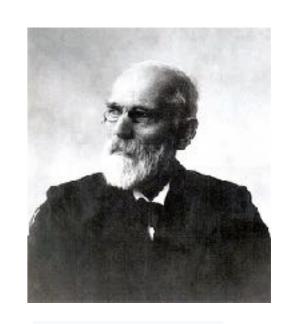
## Atoms and Thermodynamics

**History**: thermodynamics was first atoms came later

**Question**: how would things have looked if atoms where first?



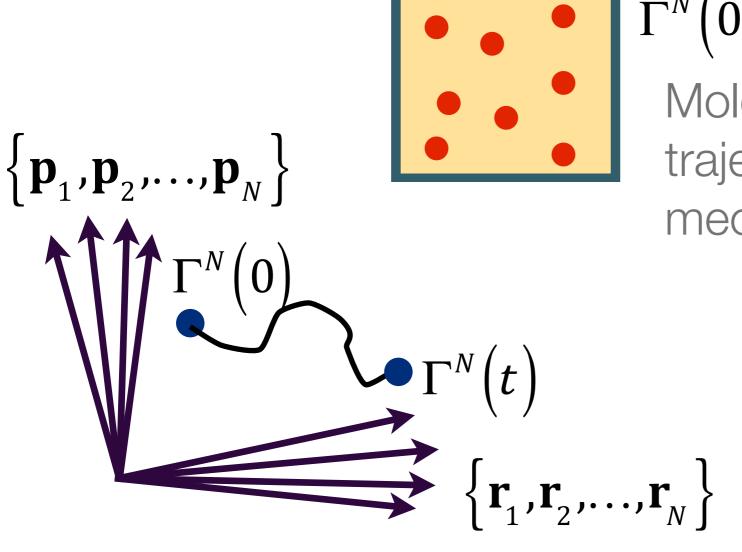
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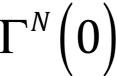


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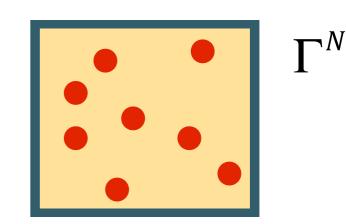
## Phase space

 $\Gamma = \{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_N, p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N\}$ Point in phase space:





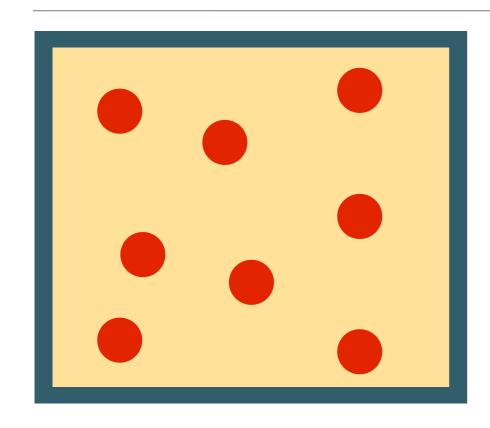
Molecular dynamics: trajectory from classical mechanics from t=0 to t=t



- First law of thermodynamics
- The Gibbs phase rule
- Pressure
- Equilibrium, temperature...

2.2.1 Thermodynamics: first law of thermodynamics

#### The first law: a box of particles



Our system:

- Isolated box with a volume V
- In which we put N particles
  - the particles interact through a given intermolecular potential
  - no external forces

Newton: equations of motion

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) = -\nabla U(r)$$

$$m\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r})$$

Consequence: Conservation of

total energy E

**NVE:** micro-canonical ensemble

2.2.2 Thermodynamics: Gibbs phase rule

#### Intermezzo 1: The Gibbs Phase Rule

The Gibbs Phase Rule gives us for a thermodynamic system the number of degrees of freedom

Phase rule: F=2-P+C

- F: degrees of freedom
- P: number of phases
- C: number of components

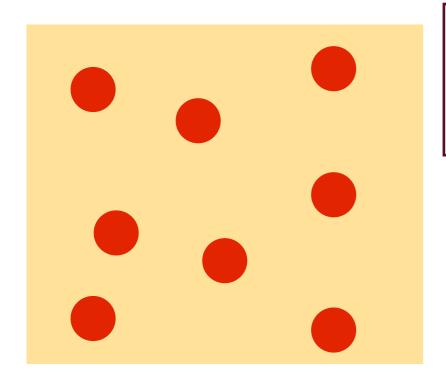
Example: boiling water

- P = 2 (water and steam)
- C = 1 (pure water)
- F=2-2+1=1

Hence, if we fix the pressure all other thermodynamic variables are fixed (e.g., temperature and density)

→ Question: why is there the 2?

## Making a gas



What do we need to specify to fully define a thermodynamic system?

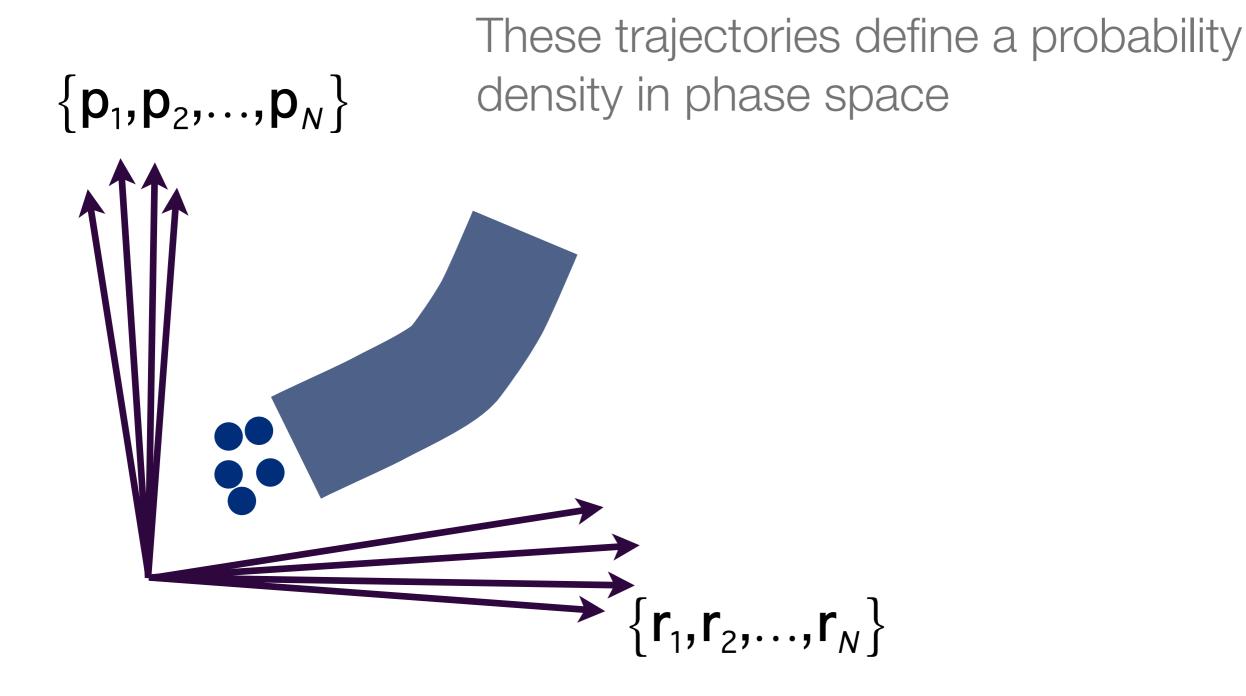
- 1. Specify the volume V
- 2. Specify the number of particles N
  - 3. Give the particles:
    - initial positions
    - initial velocities

More we cannot do: Newton takes over!

System will be at constant: N,V,E

(micro-canonical ensemble)

All trajectories with the same initial total energy should describe the same thermodynamic state



#### Discussion Question

Newton's equation of motion are symmetric in time: if we look at a movie of water molecules in forward or reverse we do not see a difference!

But a macroscopic system we do see the difference

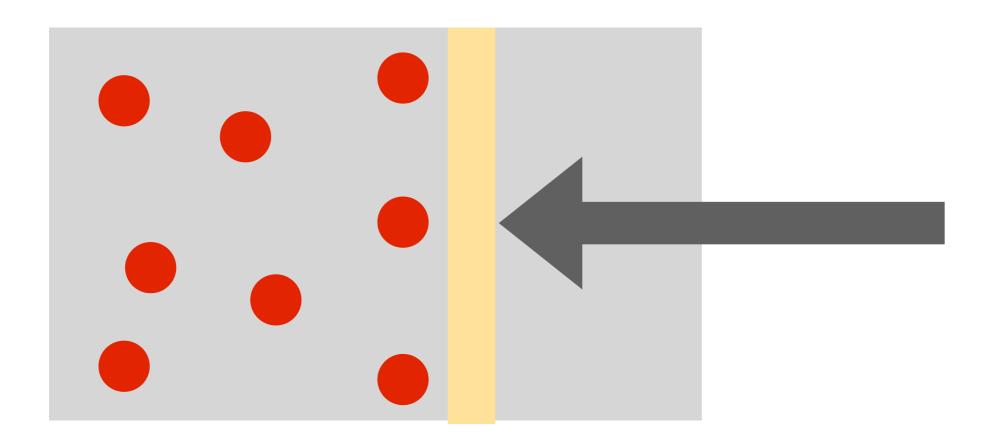


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2.2.3 Thermodynamics: pressure

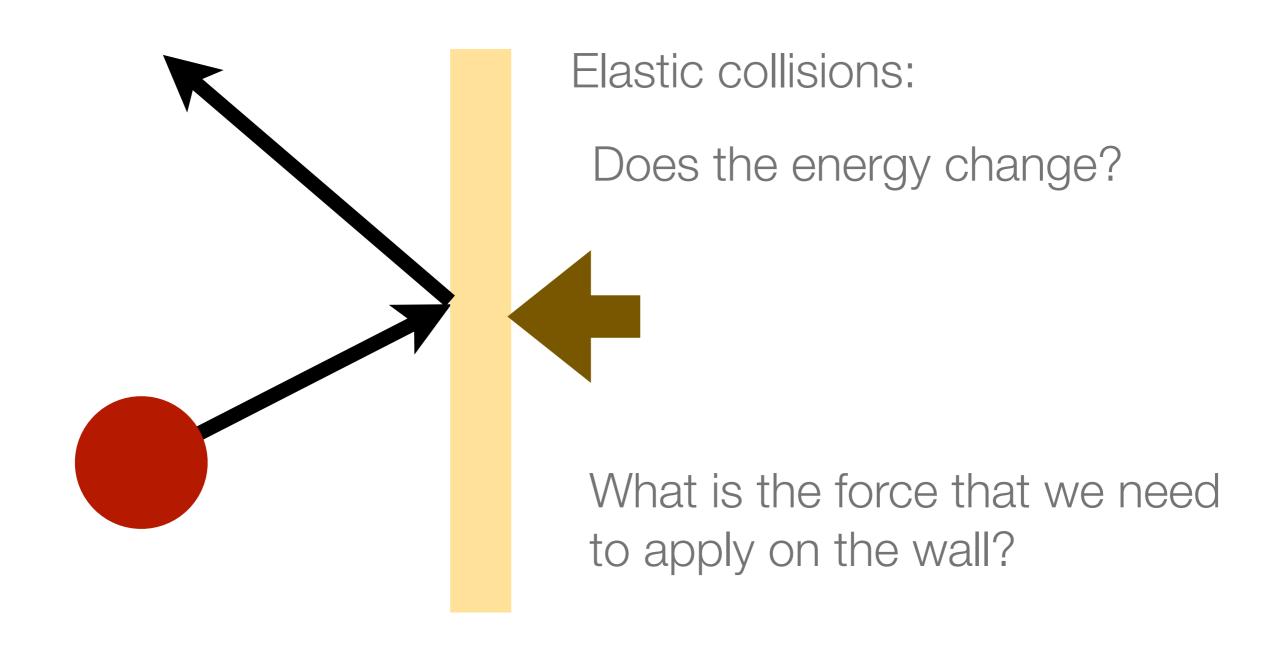
#### Pressure

What is the force I need to apply to prevent the wall from moving?



How much work I do?

#### Collision with a wall



#### Pressure

one particle:

 $2 \text{ m } v_x$ 

# particles:

- $\rho A V_X$
- 50% is the positive directions: 0.5
- $PA = F = \rho A m v_x^2$
- Kinetic energy:  $U_K = \frac{1}{2} \text{ m } v^2 = \frac{3}{2} \text{ k}_B \text{ T}$ 
  - · (we define temperature)
- Pressure:  $PV = Nk_BT$

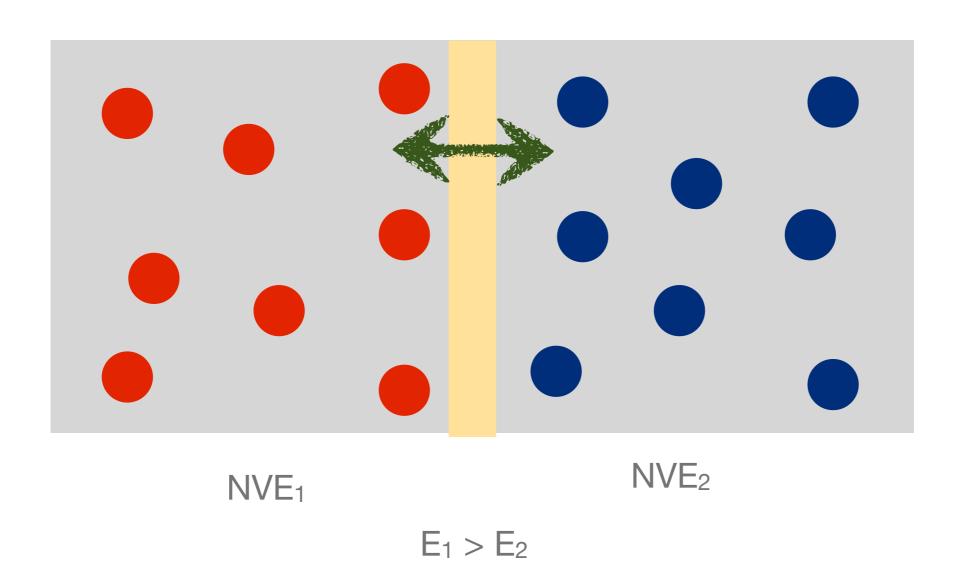
#### Question

How does the pressure change if we have interacting particles:

- because of the repulsive forces?
- because of the attractive forces?

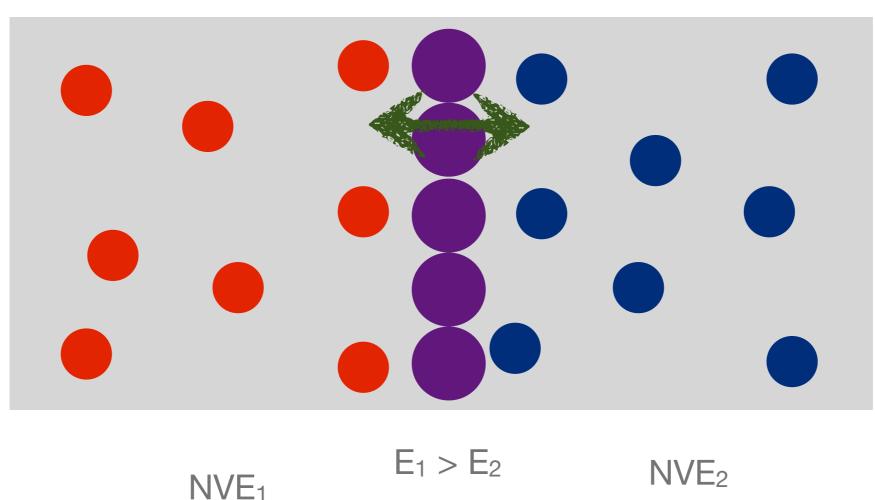
2.2.3 Thermodynamics: equilibrium

## Experiment



What will the moveable (isolating) wall do?

## Experiment (2)



NVE<sub>1</sub>

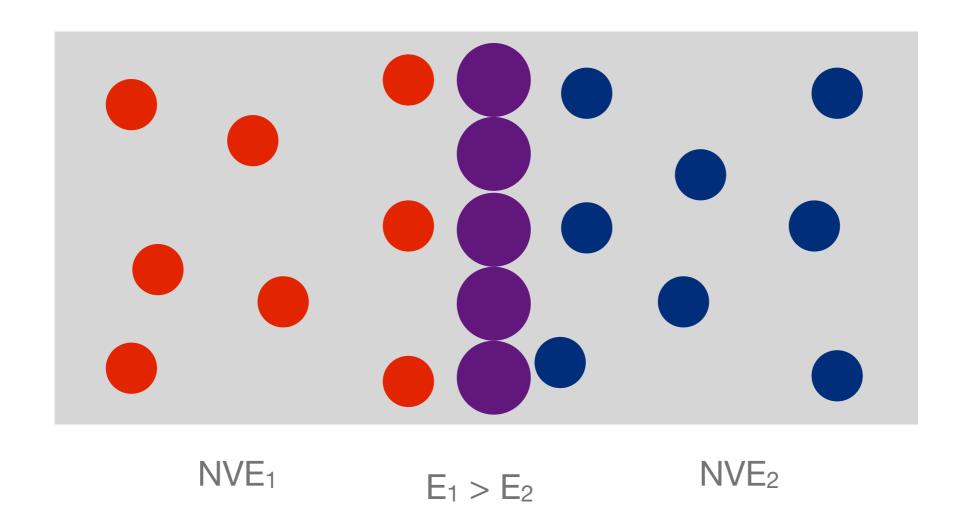
Now the wall are heavy molecules

What will the moveable wall do?

#### Newton + atoms

- We have a natural formulation of the first law
- We have discovered pressure
- We have discovered another equilibrium properties related to the total energy of the system

## Experiment



The wall can move and exchange energy: what determines equilibrium?

## Classical Thermodynamics

- 1st law of Thermodynamics
  - Energy is conserved
- 2nd law of Thermodynamics
  - Heat spontaneously flows from hot to cold

## Classical Thermodynamics

The first law:

$$\Delta U = Q + W$$

If we carry out a **reversible** process:

Carnot: Entropy difference between two states:

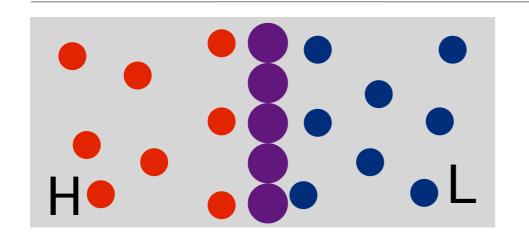
$$\Delta S = S_A - S_B = \int_A^B \frac{dQ_{rev}}{T}$$

$$dU = TdS + dW$$

If we have work by a expansion of a fluid

$$dU = TdS - pdV$$

## Equilibrium



Let us look at the very initial stage

dq is so small that the temperatures of the two systems do not change

For system H 
$$dS_{H} = -\frac{dQ}{T_{H}}$$
For system L 
$$dS_{L} = \frac{dQ}{T_{L}}$$

Hence, for the total system:

Heat goes from warm to cold: or if dq > 0 then  $T_H > T_L$ 

This gives for the entropy change:

$$dS = dS_L + dS_H = dq \left( \frac{1}{T_L} - \frac{1}{T_H} \right)$$

 $dS \ge 0$ 

Hence, the entropy increases until the two temperatures are equal

2.3 Statistical Thermodynamics

Statistical Thermodynar

#### **Basic Assumption:**

thermodynamics is based on laws For an isolated system any microscopic configuration is equally likely

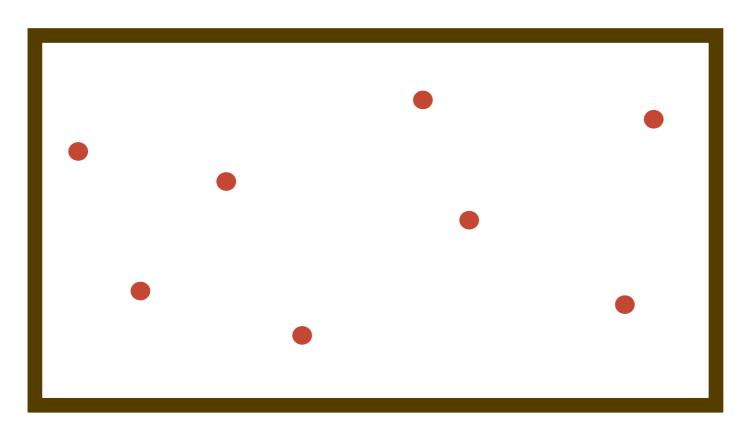
#### Consequence:

**All** of statistical thermodynamics and equilibrium thermodynamics

2.3.1 Statistical Thermodynamics: Basic Assumption

#### Ideal gas

#### Let us again make an ideal gas



We select:

- (1) N particles,
- (2) Volume V,
- (3) initial velocities+ positions

This fixes: V/N, U/N

#### **Basic Assumption:**

For an isolated system each microscopic configuration is equally likely

What is the probability to find this configuration?



The system has the same energy as the previous one!!

Our basis assumption states that this configuration is equally likely as any other configuration

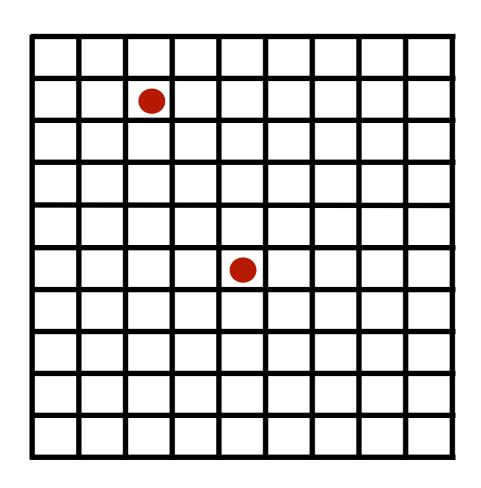
But having all atoms in the corner of our system seems to be very unlikely

.... and very dangerous

Our basic assumption must be seriously wrong!

## Question: How to compute the probabilities of a particular configuration?

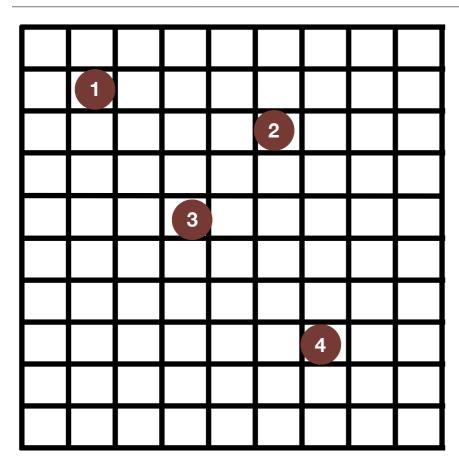
Use a lattice model to make the counting the number of possible confirmations easier



#### Assumptions:

- the position of a molecule is given by the lattice site
- there is no limit in the number of molecules per lattice site

# **Question:** what is the probability of a given configuration?



Basic assumption:

$$P = \frac{\bot}{\text{Total # of configurations}}$$

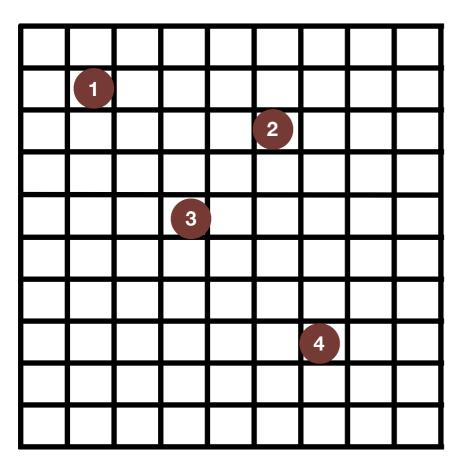
particle number 1 can be put in *M* positions, number 2 at *M* positions, etc.

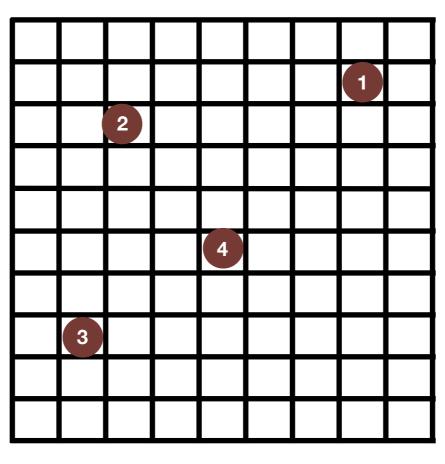
For N particle the total number of configurations is:  $M^N$ 

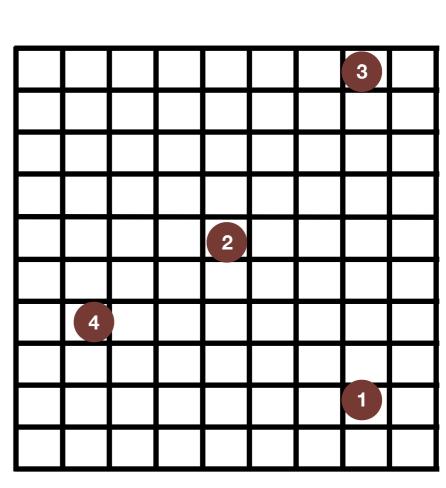
Hence the probability is: 
$$P = \frac{1}{M^4}$$

→ Question: how does the statistics change if the particles are indistinguishable?

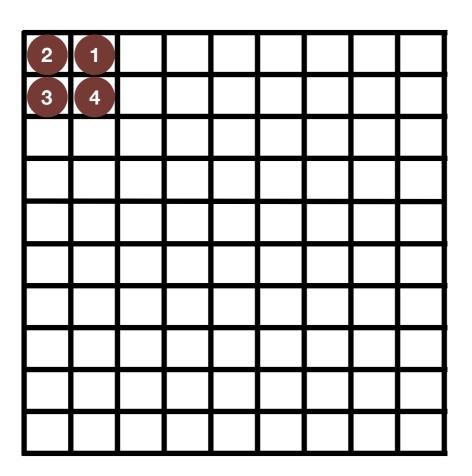
→ Question: What are the probabilities of these configurations?







→ ... and this one?



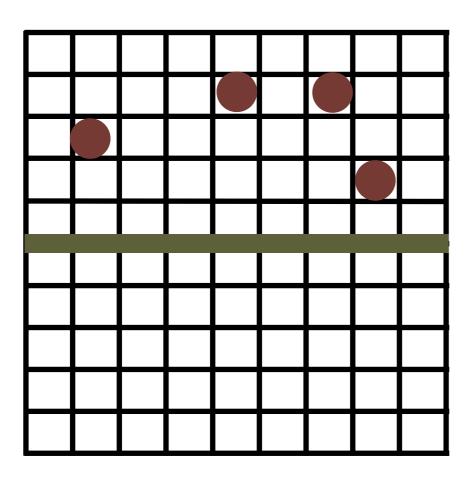
Is there a real danger that all the oxygen atoms are all in one part of the room?

Are we asking the right question?

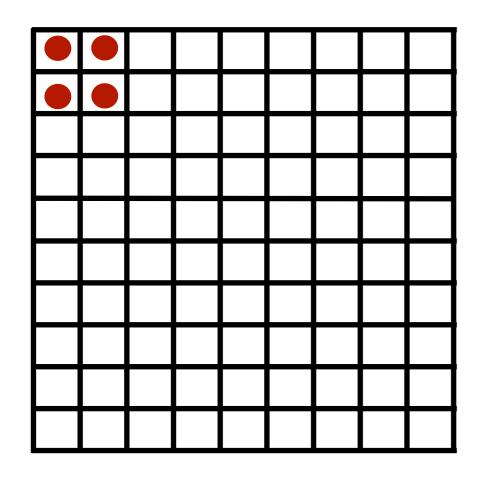
Thermodynamic is about **macroscopic properties**:

These are averages over many configurations

Measure densities: what is the probability that we have all our N gas particle in the upper half?



N	P(empty)
1	0.5
2	0.5 x 0.5
3	0.5 x 0.5 x 0.5
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What is the probability to find this configuration?

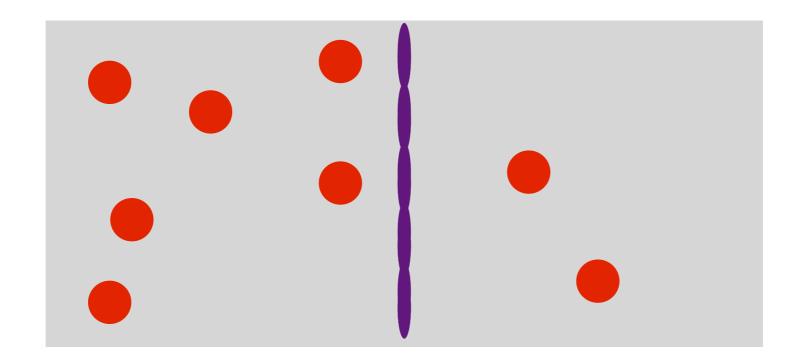
exactly equal as to any other configuration!!!!!

This is reflecting the microscopic reversibility of Newton's equations of motion. A microscopic system has no "sense" of the direction of time

# Summary

- On a microscopic level all configurations are equally likely
- On a macroscopic level; as the number of particles is extremely large, the probability that we have a fluctuation from the average value is extremely low
- Let us now quantify this

### Question



If all configurations are equally likely what will be then the energy we will observe in the two boxes?

# 2. Thermodynamics

2.2 Statistical Thermodynamics: Equilibrium

# Discussion: equilibrium (1)



We have a closed and isolated system

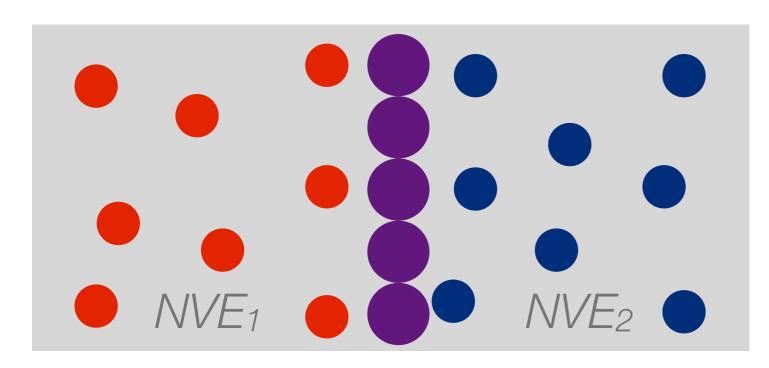
Basic Assumption: every configuration is equally likely

### → Question:

- How do we know the system is in equilibrium?
- How can we determine the macroscopic properties (e.g. density of the two systems)

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# Discussion: equilibrium (2)



We have a closed and isolated system, but heat can flow between system 1 and 2

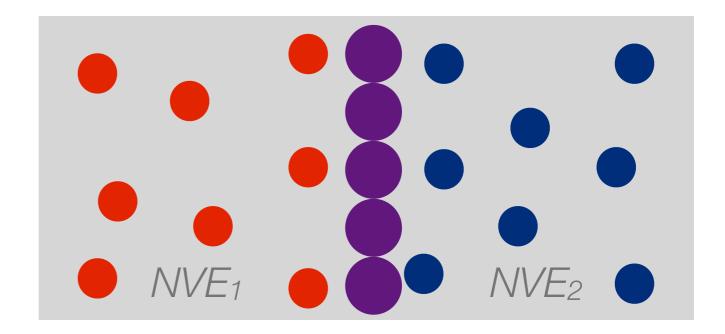
Basic Assumption: every configuration is equally likely:

### Questions:

- How do we know the system is in equilibrium?
- how does this tell us what will what will be the macroscopic properties (e.g., temperature) of the two systems?

### Solution:

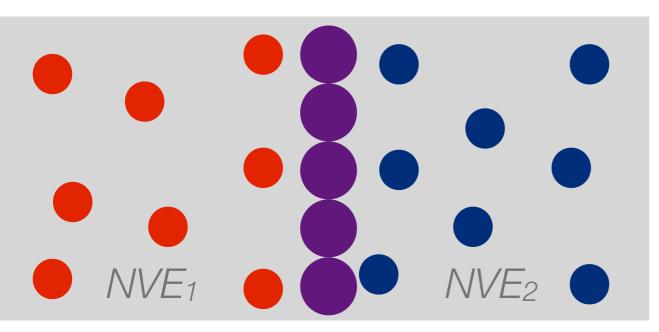




All micro states **are** equally likely!

... but the number of micro states that give an particular density or energy distribution over the 2 systems **are not** ...

### Macroscopically we will observe the most likely one



$$P(E_1, E_2)$$

$$N_1(E_1)$$

 $P(E_1, E_2)$  The probability to IIIIu  $E_1$  III volume 1 and  $E_2$  in volume 2  $N_1(E_1)$  The number of configurations that result in an energy  $E_1$  in

volume 1.  $E_2 = E - E_1$  The total energy E is constant

$$P(E_{1},E_{2}) = \frac{N_{1}(E_{1})N_{2}(E-E_{1})}{\sum_{E_{1}=0}^{E_{1}=E}N_{1}(E_{1})N_{2}(E-E_{1})} = CN_{1}(E_{1})N_{2}(E-E_{1})$$

Experimentally we will observe the most likeley configuration; which is given by the maximum

We need to find:

$$\frac{dP(E_1, E_2)}{dE_1} = 0$$

Finding:

$$\frac{dP(E_1, E_2)}{dE_1} = 0$$

with:

$$P(E_1, E_2) = CN_1(E_1)N_2(E - E_1)$$

Is equivalent in finding:

$$\frac{d\ln(P(E_1, E_2))}{dE_1} = 0$$

or:

$$\frac{d\ln(N_1(E_1))}{dE_1} + \frac{d\ln(N_2(E - E_1))}{dE_1} = 0$$

with  $E_2=E-E_1$ 

$$\frac{d\ln(N_1(E_1))}{dE_1} - \frac{d\ln(N_2(E - E_1))}{dE_2} = 0$$

The solution of this equation gives the energies in volume 1 and 2 that are most likely, i.e., the largest number of configurations have these energies

Let us define a property (almost S, but not quite):

$$S^* = In(N(E))$$

$$\frac{d\ln(N_1(E_1))}{dE_1} = \frac{d\ln(N_2(E - E_1))}{dE_2}$$

or

$$\left(\frac{\partial S_{1}^{*}}{\partial E_{1}}\right)_{N_{1},V_{1}} = \left(\frac{\partial S_{2}^{*}}{\partial E_{2}}\right)_{N_{2},V_{2}}$$

And for the total system:

$$S^* = S_1^* + S_2^*$$

For a system at constant energy, volume and number of particles S\* increases until it has reached its maximum value at equilibrium

What is this magic property S\*?

Defined a property S\* (that is almost S):

$$S^*(E_1, E - E_1) = In(N(E_1, E - E_1))$$

**Question 1**: Why is maximising S\* the same as maximising N?

**Answer:** The logarithm is a monotonically increasing function.

Question 2: Why is the logarithm a convenient function?

**Answer:** makes S\* additive! Leads to extensivity.

**Question 3**: Why is S\* not quite entropy?

**Answer:** Units! The logarithm is just a unitless quantity.

$$S = k_B S^* = k_B \ln(N(E))$$

For a partitioning of E between 1 and 2, the number of configuration is maximized when:

$$\left(\frac{\partial S_{1}^{*}}{\partial E_{1}}\right)_{N_{1},V_{1}} = \left(\frac{\partial S_{2}^{*}}{\partial E_{2}}\right)_{N_{2},V_{2}}$$

What do these partial derivatives relate to?

$$dE = TdS - pdV + \sum_{i=1}^{i=M} \mu_i dN_i$$

Temperature

$$T = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial S}\right)_{N_i, V} \qquad \text{or} \qquad \frac{1}{T} = \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial E}\right)_{N_i, V}$$

Thermal equilibrium → equal temperature of system 1 and 2!

$$S = k_B S^* = k_B \ln(N(E))$$

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# **Question:** How large is N(E) for a glass of water?

### How to estimate N(E)

- Number of molecules of the order 10<sup>23</sup>
- Make a grid of 10<sup>6</sup> cells (100x100x100)

$$N(E) \gg \left(10^6\right)^{10^{23}}$$

### Summary:

- For macroscopic systems N(E) is super-astronomically large
- Macroscopic deviations from the second law of thermodynamics are not forbidden, but they are extremely unlikely.

# 2. Thermodynamics

2.4 Ensembles

### The 2<sup>nd</sup> law

Entropy of an <u>isolated system</u> can only increase; until equilibrium were it takes its maximum value

Most systems are at constant temperature and volume or pressure?

When do we have equilibrium for such a system?

# Other ensembles?

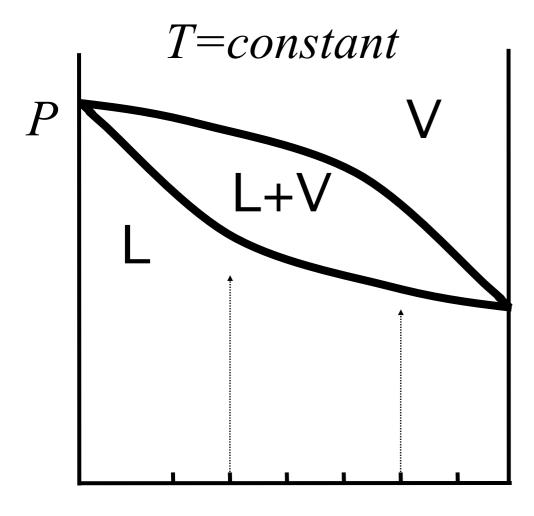
In the thermodynamic limit the thermodynamic properties are independent of the ensemble: so buy a bigger computer ...

However, it is most of the times much better to think and to carefully select an appropriate ensemble.

For this it is important to know how to simulate in the various ensembles.

But for doing this wee need to know the Statistical Thermodynamics of the various ensembles.

# Example (1): vapour-liquid equilibrium mixture



composition vapour(V)-liquid (L) Phase diagram of a binary mixture at (fixed) temperature T

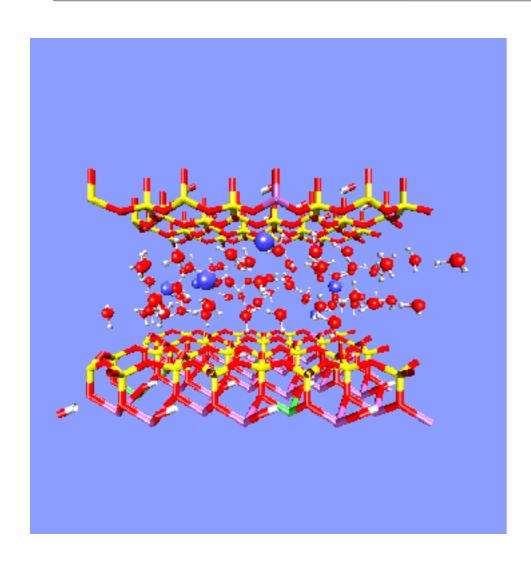
#### **Question:**

• if we have a 50%-50% mixture how many degrees of freedom if we have V-L coexistence?

**Experiment**: determine the composition of the coexisting vapour and liquid phases if we start with a homogeneous liquid of two different compositions but the same temperature:

- How to mimic this with the N, V, T ensemble?
- What is a better ensemble?

# Example (2): adsorption in porous media



water adsorbed in clay layers

#### **Question:**

What are the equilibrium conditions

**Experiments**: Deep in the earth clay layers can swell upon adsorption of water:

- How to mimic this in the N, V, T ensemble?
- What is a better ensemble to use?

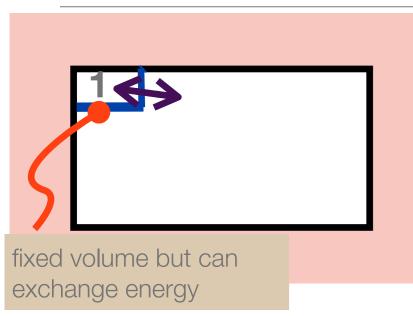
### Ensembles

- Micro-canonical ensemble: E, V, N
- Canonical ensemble: T, V, N
- Constant pressure ensemble: T,P,N
- Grand-canonical ensemble: Τ, V, μ

# 2. Thermodynamics

2.4.1 Ensembles: constant temperature

# Canonical ensemble: classical thermodynamics



Our entire system is isolated (NVE), but our subsystems (box 1 and bath) can exchange energy

First law 
$$dU = TdS - pdV$$

Second law 
$$dS \ge 0$$

Box 1: constant volume and temperature

1st law: 
$$dU = dU_1 + dU_b = 0$$
 or  $dU_1 = -dU_b$ 

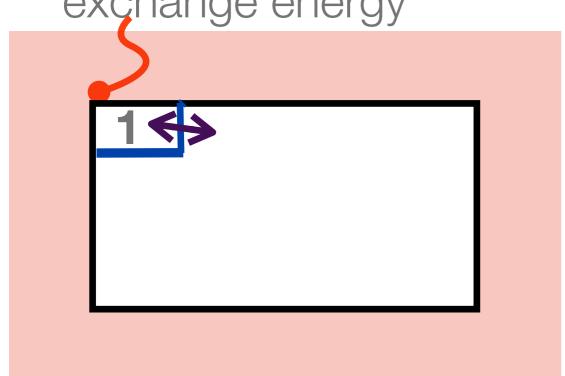
The bath is so large that the heat flow does not influence the temperature of the bath + the process is reversible

2nd law: 
$$dS = dS_1 + dS_b \ge 0$$
 or  $dS_1 + dS_b = dS_1 + \frac{dU_b}{T} = dS_1 - \frac{dU_1}{T} \ge 0$ 

Giving: 
$$TdS_1 - dU_1 \ge 0$$

we have a criteria that only depends on box 1

fixed volume but can exchange energy



Total system is isolated and the volume is constant

Box 1: constant volume and temperature

2<sup>nd</sup> law:  $TdS_1 - dU_1 \ge 0$ 

$$d(U_1 - TS_1) \le 0$$

Let us define the Helmholtz free energy (F):  $F \equiv U - TS$ 

For box 1 we can write:  $dF_1 \le 0$ 

Hence, for a system at *constant temperature and volume* the Helmholtz free energy decreases and takes its minimum value at equilibrium

### Canonical ensemble: statistical mechanics



Consider a small system that can exchange energy with a big reservoir =1/k<sub>B</sub>T

$$\ln\Omega(E_1, E - E_1) = \ln\Omega(E) - \left(\frac{\partial \ln\Omega}{\partial E}\right) E_1 + \cdots$$

If the reservoir is very big we can ignore the higher order terms:

$$\frac{\ln\Omega(E_1, E - E_1)}{\ln\Omega(E)} = -\frac{E_1}{k_B T}$$

Hence, the probability to find  $E_1$ :

$$P(E_1) = \frac{\Omega(E_1, E - E_1)}{\sum_i \Omega(E_i, E - E_i)} = \frac{\Omega(E_1, E - E_1)/\Omega(E)}{\sum_i \Omega(E_i, E - E_i)/\Omega(E)} = C\frac{\Omega(E_1, E - E_1)}{\Omega(E)}$$

$$P(E_1) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{E_1}{k_B T}\right] \propto \exp\left[-\beta E_1\right]$$

# Thermodynamics

What is the average energy of the system?

$$\langle E \rangle \equiv \sum_{i} E_{i} P(E_{i}) = \frac{\sum_{i} E_{i} \exp(-\beta E_{i})}{\sum_{i} \exp(-\beta E_{i})}$$
$$= -\frac{\partial \ln \left[\sum_{i} \exp(-\beta E_{i})\right]}{\partial \beta} = -\frac{\partial \ln Q_{NVT}}{\partial \beta}$$

Classical thermodynamics:

$$dF = -SdT - pdV$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_{N_i,V} = -S$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial F/T}{\partial \mathbf{1}/T}\right) = -T^2 \left(\frac{\partial F/T}{\partial T}\right) = -T^2 \left(-\frac{F}{T^2} + \frac{1}{T} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial F/T}{\partial 1/T}\right) = F + TS = U$$

$$\beta F = -\ln Q_{NVT}$$

The link between statistical and classical thermo

### From states to atoms

We have assumed that we can count states

Quantum Mechanics: energy discreet

What to do for classical model such as an ideal gas, hard spheres, Lennard-Jones?

Energy is continue:

- potential energy
- kinetic energy

Particle in a box:

$$\varepsilon_{n} = \frac{\left(nh\right)^{2}}{8mL^{2}}$$

What are the energy levels for Argon in a 1-dimensional box of 1 cm?

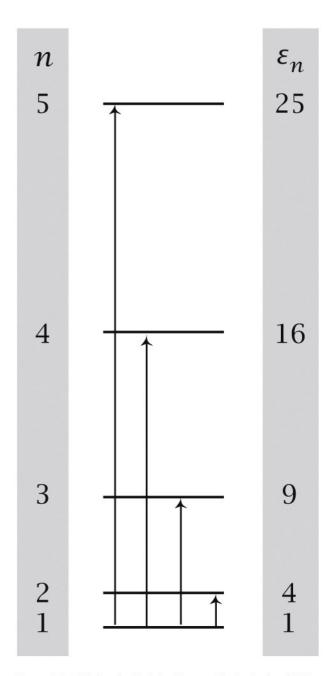


Figure 11.4 Molecular Driving Forces 2/e (© Garland Science 2011)

What are the energy levels for Argon in a 1-dimensional box of 1 cm?

(Argon: m=40 g/mol=6.63×10<sup>-26</sup> kg h=6.63×10<sup>-34</sup> J s)

$$\varepsilon_{n} = \frac{\left(nh\right)^{2}}{8mL^{2}}$$

$$\varepsilon_n = 5 \times 10^{-39} n^2 (J)$$

Kinetic energy of Ar at room temperature ≈4.14 × 10-21 J

$$q_{\text{translational}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(nh)^2}{8mL^2k_BT}}$$

Many levels are occupied: only at very low temperatures or very small volumes one can see quantum effect!

$$q_{\text{translational}} = \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{(nh)^2}{8mL^2k_BT}} dn$$

$$q_{\text{translational}} = \left(\frac{2\pi m k_B T}{h^2}\right)^{1/2} L$$

3D: 
$$q_{\text{translational}} = \left(\frac{2\pi m k_B T}{h^2}\right)^{3/2} L^3 = \frac{V}{\Lambda^3}$$

de Broglie wavelength

Partition function: 
$$q = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{E_n}{k_B T}} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{E_n}{k_B T}} dn$$

we assume that the potential energy does not depend on the velocity

Hamiltonian:

$$H = U_{\text{kin}} + U_{\text{pot}} = \sum_{i=i}^{N} \frac{p_i^2}{2m} + U_{\text{pot}}(r^N)$$

one atom:

$$Z_{1,V,T} = C \iint e^{-\frac{H}{k_B T}} dp^3 dr^3 = C \int e^{-\frac{p^2}{2mk_B T}} dp^3 \int e^{-\frac{U_{pot}(r)}{k_B T}} dr^3$$

one ideal gas atom:  $U_p(r)=0$ 

$$Z_{1,V,T}^{\text{ideal gas}} = C \int e^{-\frac{p^2}{2mk_BT}} dp^3 \int 1 dr^3 = CV \int e^{-\frac{p^2}{2mk_BT}} dp^3 = CV \left(2\pi m k_BT\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

Compare:

$$q_{\text{translational}} = \left(\frac{2\pi m k_B T}{h^2}\right)^{3/2} V = \frac{V}{\Lambda^3}$$

if we define  $C=1/h^3$ 

$$Z_{1,V,T}^{\text{ideal gas}} = CV \left(2\pi m k_B T\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{V}{\Lambda^3}$$

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wrong: particles are indistinguishable

### N gas molecules:

$$Z_{N,V,T} = \frac{1}{h^{3N}} \iint e^{-\frac{H}{k_B T}} dp^{3N} dr^{3N}$$

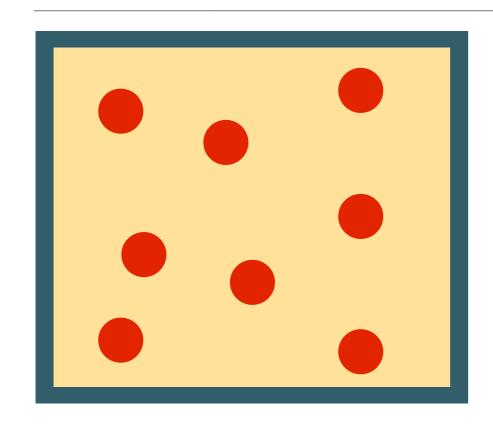
if we swap the position of two particles we do not have a new configuration!

$$Z_{N,V,T} = \frac{1}{h^{3N}N!} \iint e^{-\frac{H}{k_BT}} dp^{3N} dr^{3N}$$

Configurational part of the partition function:

$$Q_{N,V,T} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^{3N} N!} \int e^{-\frac{U(r)}{k_B T}} dr^{3N}$$

# Probability to find a particular configuration



Partition function:

$$Q_{N,V,T} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^{3N} N!} \int e^{-\frac{U(r)}{k_B T}} dr^{3N}$$

Probability to find configuration R<sup>N</sup>

$$P(R^{N}) = \frac{1}{Q_{N,V,T}} \frac{1}{\Lambda^{3N} N!} \int \delta(R^{N} - r^{N}) e^{-\frac{U(r^{N})}{k_{B}T}} dr^{3N} \propto e^{-\frac{U(R^{N})}{k_{B}T}}$$

As expected we get the Boltzmann factor

# Intermezzo: Stirling's approximation

In general N is a large number:

$$\ln(N!) = \ln N + \ln(N-1) + \ln(N-2) + \dots + \ln 1$$

$$\ln(N!) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \ln(i) \approx \int_{1}^{N} \ln x \, dx = x \ln x - x \Big|_{1}^{N} = N \ln N - N + 1 \approx N \ln N$$

Hence, for large N we will use:

$$In(N!) \approx NInN$$

### Question

- For an ideal gas, calculate:
  - the partition function
  - the pressure
  - the energy
  - the chemical potential

Ideal gas molecules:

$$Q_{N,V,T}^{\text{ideal gas}} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^{3N} N!} \int e^{0} dr^{3N} = \frac{V^{N}}{\Lambda^{3N} N!}$$

All thermodynamics follows from the partition function!

Free energy: 
$$F^{\text{ideal gas}} = k_B T \ln \Lambda^3 - k_B T \ln \left( \frac{V^N}{N!} \right)$$
 For N! we can use Stirling's approximation

This is the (absolute) reference state of the free energy: F0, which only depends on temperature

$$= F^{\circ} + k_{B}TN \ln \left(\frac{N}{V}\right) = F^{\circ} + k_{B}TN \ln \rho$$

Pressure:

Thermo: 
$$p = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_{T,N}$$

$$p = \frac{k_B T N}{V}$$

Ideal gas law

Energy:

Thermo: 
$$U = \left(\frac{\partial F/T}{\partial 1/T}\right)$$
  $U = 3k_B N \left(\frac{\partial \ln \Lambda}{\partial 1/T}\right)$ 

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with

$$\ln \Lambda = \ln \left(\frac{h^2}{2\pi m k_B T}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = C + \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1}{T}\right)$$

Giving:

$$U = \frac{3}{2} N k_{\rm B} T$$

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### Chemical potential:

Thermo 
$$\mu = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial N}\right)_{T,V}$$

For an ideal gas we have:

$$\beta F^{\text{ideal gas}} = N \ln \Lambda^3 + N \ln \left(\frac{N}{V}\right)$$

$$\beta \mu^{\text{ideal gas}} = \beta \mu^{0} + \ln \rho$$

# Summary: Canonical ensemble (N,V,T)

Partition function:

$$Q_{N,V,T} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^{3N} N!} \int e^{-\frac{U(r)}{k_B T}} dr^{3N}$$

Probability to find a particular configuration:

$$P(R^N) \propto e^{-\frac{U(R^N)}{k_BT}}$$

Ensemble average:

$$\left\langle A\right\rangle_{N,V,T} = \frac{\frac{1}{\Lambda^{3N}N!} \int A(r) e^{-\frac{U(r)}{k_BT}} dr^{3N}}{Q_{N,V,T}} = \frac{\int A(r) e^{-\beta U(r)} dr^{3N}}{\int e^{-\beta U(r)} dr^{3N}}$$

Free energy:

$$eta F = - \ln Q_{_{NVT}}$$

#### Summary: micro-canonical ensemble (N,V,E)

#### Partition function:

$$Q_{N,V,E} = \frac{1}{h^{3N}N!} \iint \delta(E - H(p^{3N}, r^{3N})) dp^{3N} dr^{3N}$$

Probability to find a particular configuration

$$P(P^N,R^N) \propto 1$$

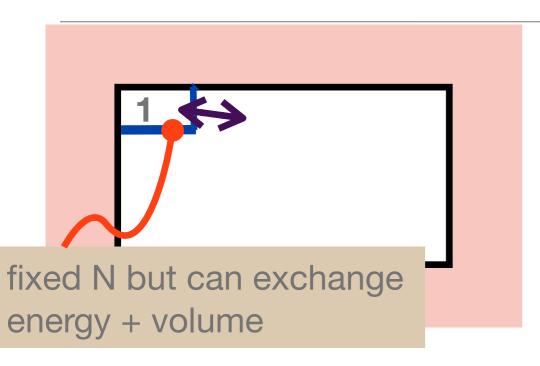
Free energy

$$S = k_B \ln Q_{NVE}$$

## 2. Thermodynamics

2.4.2 Ensembles: constant pressure

# Constant: T and p



We have our system (1) and a bath (b)

Total system is isolated and the volume is constant

First law 
$$dU = dq - pdV = 0$$

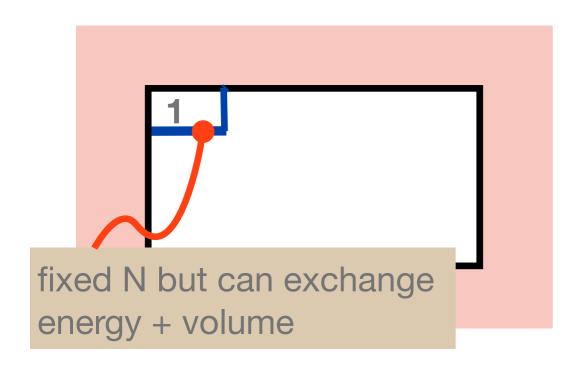
Second law  $dS \ge 0$ 

Box 1: constant pressure and temperature

1st law: 
$$dU_1 + dU_b = 0$$
 or  $dU_1 = -dU_b$   
 $dV_1 + dV_b = 0$  or  $dV_1 = -dV_b$ 

The bath is very large and the small changes do not change P or T; in addition the process is reversible

2nd law: 
$$dS_{1} + dS_{b} = dS_{1} + \frac{dU_{b}}{T} + \frac{p}{T}dV_{b} \ge 0$$
$$TdS_{1} - dU_{1} - pdV_{1} \ge 0$$



Total system is isolated and the volume is constant

Box 1: constant pressure and temperature

2<sup>nd</sup> law:

$$TdS_1 - dU_1 - pdV_1 \ge 0$$

$$d\left(U_{1} - TS_{1} + pV_{1}\right) \leq 0$$

Let us define the **Gibbs free energy**: G

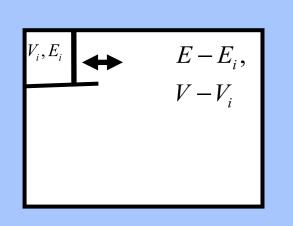
$$G \equiv U - TS + pV$$

For box 1 we can write

$$dG_1 \leq 0$$

Hence, for a system at constant temperature and pressure the Gibbs free energy decreases and takes its minimum value at equilibrium

# N,P,T ensemble



Consider a small system that can exchange volume and energy with a big reservoir

$$\ln\Omega(V-V_1,E-E_1) = \ln\Omega(V,E) - \left(\frac{\partial \ln\Omega}{\partial E}\right)E_1 - \left(\frac{\partial \ln\Omega}{\partial V}\right)V_1 + \cdots$$

The terms in the expansion follow from the connection with thermodynamics:  $S = k_B \ln \Omega$ 

$$dS = \frac{1}{T}dU + \frac{p}{T}dV - \sum \frac{\mu_i}{T}dN_i$$

We have:

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial U}\right)_{V,N_i} = \frac{1}{T} \quad \text{and} \quad \left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial V}\right)_{N,E} = \frac{p}{T}$$

$$\ln\Omega(V-V_1,E-E_1) = \ln\Omega(V,E) - \left(\frac{\partial \ln\Omega}{\partial E}\right)_{V,N} E_1 - \left(\frac{\partial \ln\Omega}{\partial V}\right)_{E,N} V_1 + \cdots$$

$$\ln\Omega(V - V_1, E - E_1) = \ln\Omega(V, E) - \frac{1}{k_B T} E_1 - \frac{p}{k_B T} V_1 + \cdots$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{\Omega(V-V_1,E-E_1)}{\Omega(V,E)}\right) = -\frac{E_1}{k_BT} - \frac{pV_1}{k_BT}$$

Hence, the probability to find  $E_i, V_i$ :

$$P\left(V_{1},E_{1}\right) = \frac{\Omega\left(V - V_{1},E - E_{1}\right)}{\sum_{i,j} \Omega\left(V - V_{i},E - E_{j}\right)} = \frac{\Omega\left(V - V_{1},E - E_{1}\right)/\Omega\left(V,E\right)}{\sum_{i,j} \Omega\left(V - V_{i},E - E_{j}\right)/\Omega\left(V,E\right)} = Ce^{-\frac{1}{k_{B}T}(E_{1} + \rho V_{1})}$$

$$P(V_1, E_1) \propto e^{-\beta(E_1 + \rho V_1)}$$

$$\Delta(N, p, T) = \sum_{i,j} e^{-\frac{1}{k_B T} (E_i + pV_j)}$$

Ensemble average:

$$\langle V \rangle = \frac{\sum_{i,j} V_{j} e^{-\frac{1}{k_{B}T} (E_{i} + \rho V_{j})}}{\sum_{i,j} e^{-\frac{1}{k_{B}T} (E_{i} + \rho V_{j})}} = -k_{B}T \left( \frac{\partial \ln \Delta (N, \rho, T)}{\partial \rho} \right)_{N,T}$$

$$dG = -SdT + Vd\rho - \sum_{i} \mu_{i} dN_{i}$$

Thermodynamics

$$V = \left(\frac{\partial G}{\partial \rho}\right)_{N,T}$$

Hence:

$$G = -k_{B}T \ln \Delta (N, p, T)$$

## Summary

In the classical limit, the partition function becomes

$$Q(N,p,T) = \frac{1}{\Lambda^{3N}N!} \int dV e^{-\beta pV} \int dr^N e^{-\beta U(r^N)}$$

The probability to find a particular configuration:

$$P(r^N,V) \propto e^{-\beta[\rho V + U(r^N)]}$$

The link to thermodynamics:

$$G = -k_B T \ln \Delta (N, p, T)$$

## 2. Thermodynamics

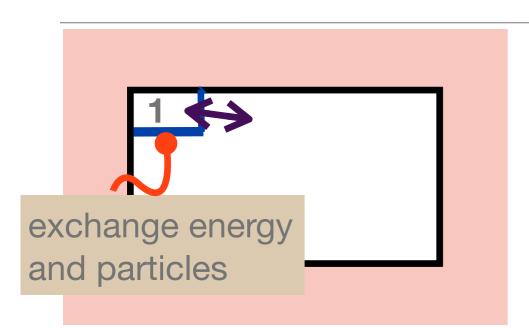
2.4.3 Ensembles: constant chemical potential

## Grand-canonical ensemble

Classical: A small system that can exchange heat and particles with a large bath

Statistical: Taylor expansion of a small reservoir

# Constant: T and µ



Total system is isolated and the volume is constant

First law 
$$dU = TdS - pdV + \mu dN = 0$$

Second law 
$$dS \ge 0$$

Box 1: constant chemical potential and temperature

1st law: 
$$dU_1 + dU_b = 0$$
 or  $dU_1 = -dU_b$   
 $dN_1 + dN_b = 0$  or  $dN_1 = -dN_b$ 

The bath is very large and the small changes do not change  $\mu$  or T; in addition the process is reversible

2<sup>nd</sup> law: 
$$dS = dS_1 + dS_b = dS_1 + \left[ \frac{dU_b}{T} - \mu \frac{dN_b}{T} \right] \ge 0$$

$$dS = dS_1 + dS_b = dS_1 + \left[ \frac{dU_b}{T} - \mu \frac{dN_b}{T} \right] \ge 0$$

We can express the changes of the bath in terms of properties of the system

$$dS_{1} + \left[ -\frac{dU_{1}}{T} + \mu \frac{dN_{1}}{T} \right] \ge 0$$

$$d\left( TS_{1} - U_{1} + \mu N_{1} \right) \ge 0$$

$$d\left( U_{1} - TS_{1} - \mu N_{1} \right) \le 0$$

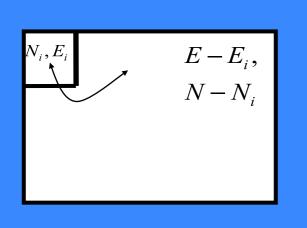
For the Gibbs free energy we can write:

$$G \equiv U - TS + pV$$
 
$$G = \mu N$$
 or  $-pV = U - TS - \mu N$ 

$$d(-pV) \le 0$$
 or  $d(pV) \ge 0$ 

Hence, for a system at constant temperature and chemical potential pV increases and takes its maximum value at equilibrium

# $\mu$ , V, T ensemble



Consider a small system that can exchange particles and energy with a big reservoir

$$\ln\Omega(N-N_1,E-E_1) = \ln\Omega(N,E) - \left(\frac{\partial \ln\Omega}{\partial E}\right)E_1 - \left(\frac{\partial \ln\Omega}{\partial N}\right)N_1 + \cdots$$

The terms in the expansion follow from the connection with Thermodynamics:  $S = k_B \ln \Omega$ 

$$dS = \frac{1}{T}dU + \frac{p}{T}dV - \frac{\mu}{T}dN$$

Giving:

$$\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial U}\right)_{V,N} = \frac{1}{T}$$
 and  $\left(\frac{\partial S}{\partial N}\right)_{V,T} = -\frac{\mu}{T}$ 

$$\ln\Omega(N-N_1,E-E_1) = \ln\Omega(N,E) - \left(\frac{\partial\ln\Omega}{\partial E}\right)E_1 - \left(\frac{\partial\ln\Omega}{\partial N}\right)N_1 + \cdots$$

$$\ln\Omega(N-N_1,E-E_1) = \ln\Omega(N,E) - \frac{E_1}{k_BT} + \frac{\mu N_1}{k_BT} + \cdots$$

$$\ln\left[\frac{\Omega\left(N-N_{_{1}},E-E_{_{1}}\right)}{\Omega\left(N,E\right)}\right] = -\frac{1}{k_{_{B}}T}\left(E_{_{1}}-\mu N_{_{1}}\right)$$

Hence, the probability to find  $E_1, N_1$ :

$$P\left(N_{1},E_{1}\right) = \frac{\Omega\left(N-N_{1},E-E_{1}\right)}{\sum_{i,j}\Omega\left(N-N_{i},E-E_{j}\right)} = \frac{\Omega\left(N-N_{1},E-E_{1}\right)/\Omega\left(N,E\right)}{\sum_{i,j}\Omega\left(N-N_{i},E-E_{j}\right)/\Omega\left(N,E\right)} = Ce^{-\frac{1}{k_{B}T}\left(E_{1}-\mu N_{1}\right)}$$

$$P(N,E) \propto Ce^{-\beta(E-\mu N)}$$

In the classical limit, the partition function becomes

$$Q(\mu, V, T) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{\beta \mu N}}{\Lambda^{3N} N!} \int dr^{N} e^{-\beta U(r^{N})}$$

The probability to find a particular configuration:

$$P(N,r^N) \propto e^{-\beta \left[U(r^N) - \mu N\right]}$$