

**PHYS4171-Statistical Mechanics and Thermal PhysFall 2017, Assignment #6**  
**Problem 1) Problem 14 Chapter 9 (10 points)**

From 9.29, gravitational pressure  $P_{center} = \left( \frac{M}{4\pi R^3 / 3} \right) R \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{GM}{R^2} \right)$

From 9.30, the degenerate gas pressure is  $P_0 = \frac{2}{5} \left( \frac{3}{8\pi} \right)^{2/3} \frac{h^2}{2m} \left( \frac{N}{4\pi R^3 / 3} \right)^{5/3}$ , where m is

the mass of an electron. If we assume that the star is made up of He4 (2 protons + 2 neutrons), then the number of nucleons (protons or neutrons) in the star is about  $N_n = \frac{M}{m_p}$ ,

where M is the “effective” mass of the star, and  $m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$  is the mass of a nucleon. Since there are 2 electrons per He4, the number of electrons in the star is

$N = \frac{N_n}{2} = \frac{M}{2m_p}$ , which gives  $P_0 = \frac{2}{5} \left( \frac{3}{8\pi} \right)^{2/3} \frac{h^2}{2m} \left( \frac{1}{2m_p (4\pi R^3 / 3)} \right)^{5/3} M^{5/3}$

At equilibrium the two pressures must be equal:

$$P_0 = \frac{2}{5} \left( \frac{3}{8\pi} \right)^{2/3} \frac{h^2}{2m} \left( \frac{1}{2m_p (4\pi R^3 / 3)} \right)^{5/3} M^{5/3} = P_{center} = \left( \frac{M}{4\pi R^3 / 3} \right) R \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{GM}{R^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{2}{5} \left( \frac{3}{8\pi} \right)^{2/3} \frac{h^2}{2m(2m_p)^{5/3}} \left( \frac{1}{4\pi R^3 / 3} \right)^{2/3} M^{-1/3} = \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{G}{R} \right)$$

$R = \frac{1}{5m_p G} \left( \frac{9h^3}{64m_p \pi^2} \right)^{2/3} M^{-1/3} \rightarrow \frac{R}{R_\odot} = C \left( \frac{M_\odot}{M} \right)^{1/3}$ , where  $M_\odot = 1.9891 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$  is the

mass of the sun, and  $R_\odot = 6.957 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$  is the radius of the sun, and

$C = \frac{1}{5m_p G} \left( \frac{9h^3}{64m_p \pi^2} \right)^{2/3} \frac{1}{R_\odot M_\odot^{1/3}}$

$$C = \frac{1}{5(9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg})(1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg})(6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-2})}$$

$$\times \left( \frac{9(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s})^3}{64 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} \times \pi^2} \right)^{2/3} \frac{1}{6.957 \times 10^8 \text{ m} (1.9891 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg})^{1/3}}$$

$C = (5.068 \times 10^{-67})^{-1} (1.7655 \times 10^{-50}) (1.143 \times 10^{-19}) = 3.98 \times 10^{-3}$

For 40 EriB, Table 9.3 gives,  $C_{ERiB} = (R/R_{\odot})(M/M_{\odot})^{1/3} = (0.013)(0.447)^{1/3} = 1 \times 10^{-2}$

For Sirius B, Table 9.3 gives,  $C_{SiB} = (R/R_{\odot})(M/M_{\odot})^{1/3} = (0.0073)(1.05)^{1/3} = 7.4 \times 10^{-3}$

At least it is to the same order of magnitude.

**Problem 2) Problem 20 Chapter 9 (10 points).**

A) Equation 9.51, gives BE condensation temperature  $k_B T_B = \frac{1}{\pi(2.612)^{2/3}} \frac{h^2}{2m} \left( \frac{N}{V} \right)^{2/3}$

For  $^{23}\text{Na} \rightarrow m = 23 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ , with  $(N/V) = 10^{14} \div 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 = 10^{20} \text{ m}^{-3}$ , which

$$\text{gives } T_B = \frac{1}{\pi(1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K})(2.612)^{2/3}} \frac{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s})^2}{2(3.841 \times 10^{-26} \text{ kg})} (10^{20} \text{ m}^{-3})^{2/3}.$$

$$T_B^{23} = 1.49636 \times 10^{-6} \text{ K}.$$

B) Use equation 9.52, the number of atoms in the ground state is  $n_1 = N \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_B} \right)^{3/2} \right]$ . For

$$90\% \text{ to be in the ground state } n_1 = 0.9N \rightarrow 0.9 = 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_B} \right)^{3/2} \rightarrow T = 0.1^{2/3} T_B = 3.2 \times 10^{-7} \text{ K}.$$

C) For  $^{21}\text{Na} \rightarrow m = 21 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ , with  $(N/V) = 10^{14} \div 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 = 10^{20} \text{ m}^{-3}$ , which

$$\text{gives } T_B = \frac{1}{\pi(1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K})(2.612)^{2/3}} \frac{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s})^2}{2(3.507 \times 10^{-26} \text{ kg})} (10^{20} \text{ m}^{-3})^{2/3}.$$

$$T_B^{21N} = 1.638871 \times 10^{-6} \text{ K}$$

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From 9.55, **below the transition temperature:**

$$\langle E \rangle = N \epsilon_0 \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_B} \right)^{3/2} \right] + 0.770 \left( \frac{T}{T_B} \right)^{3/2} N k_B T, T < T_B, \text{ where } \epsilon_0 \text{ is the ground-state energy,}$$

which if we **neglect** the **ground-state** part gives the heat capacity below the transition

temperature  $C_V = \left( \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = 1.925 N k_B \left( \frac{T}{T_B} \right)^{3/2}$ , and  $C_V$  **increases** with  $T$  (see fig 9.8).

**Above transition temperature**, 9.56 gives  $C_V = \frac{3}{2} N k_B \left[ 1 + 0.231 \left( \frac{T_B}{T} \right)^{3/2} + \dots \right]$ , and  $C_V$

**decreases** with  $T$  (see Fig 9.8).

i) 100%  $^{23}\text{Na}$ . The temperature of the gas is  $1.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ K}$ , which is **below** the **transition temperature** of both isotopes, and of  $^{23}\text{Na}$ . This means that the gas will be in the **BE condensate state**, and  $C_V$  will **increase** with  $T$  in cases i.

ii) 50%  $^{23}\text{Na}$  and 50%  $^{21}\text{Na}$ . Here the number density will be altered since compared to part i, there are only half the amount of each identical bosons for the same volume:

$(N/V) = 5 \times 10^{13} \div 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 = 5 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3}$ . This gives

$$T_B^{23\text{Na}} = \frac{1}{\pi (1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}) (2.612)^{2/3}} \frac{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s})^2}{2 (3.841 \times 10^{-26} \text{ kg})} (5 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3})^{2/3} = 9.4 \times 10^{-7} \text{ K}.$$

$$T_B^{21\text{Na}} = \frac{1}{\pi (1.381 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}) (2.612)^{2/3}} \frac{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s})^2}{2 (3.507 \times 10^{-26} \text{ kg})} (5 \times 10^{19} \text{ m}^{-3})^{2/3} = 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ K}.$$

In both cases the transition temperatures are above the actual temperature  $1.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ K}$ , and the system is not in the **BE condensate state**, and  $C_V$  will **decrease** with  $T$  in cases ii.

### Problem 3) Problem 5 Chapter 10 (10 points)

A) Start with equation 10.11,  $\Delta E = T\Delta S - P\Delta V + \mu\Delta N$ , which means that the internal energy  $E(S, V, N)$  is naturally a function of  $S$ ,  $V$ , and  $N$ . If we want the Enthalpy to be a natural function  $S$ ,  $P$  and  $N$ , we must eliminate  $\Delta V$ , by defining the enthalpy as  $H = E + PV \rightarrow \Delta H = \Delta E + P\Delta V + V\Delta P$ , which combines with  $\Delta E = T\Delta S - P\Delta V + \mu\Delta N$ , gives  $\Delta H = T\Delta S - P\Delta V + \mu\Delta N + P\Delta V + V\Delta P = T\Delta S + V\Delta P + \mu\Delta N \rightarrow H(S, P, N)$ .

$$B) H(S, P, N) \rightarrow \Delta H = \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial S} \right)_{P, N} \Delta S + \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial P} \right)_{S, N} \Delta P + \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial N} \right)_{S, P} \Delta N$$

Comparing with  $\Delta H = T\Delta S + V\Delta P + \mu\Delta N$ ,

$$\left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial S} \right)_{P, N} = T, \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial P} \right)_{S, N} = V, \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial N} \right)_{S, P} = \mu.$$

### Problem 4) Problem 6 Chapter 10 (10 points)

Read section 6.2 on photon, where the density of state of EM modes in the frequency range  $\nu$  to  $\nu + d\nu$  is  $D_{EM} d\nu = \left(\frac{8\pi}{c^3}\right) \nu^2 d\nu$  (equation 6.12), and using  $\int_0^\infty \frac{x^3}{\exp(x)-1} dx = \frac{\pi^4}{15}$  (see equation 6.15)

A) Note that from section 7.1, equation 7.9, the **Helmholtz Free Energy** is  $F = \langle E \rangle - TS$ , and equation 7.10, it is  $F = -k_B T \ln Z_N$ , where  $Z_N$  is the N-particle **partition function**. For **identical non-interacting distinguishable particles**  $Z_N = Z_1^N$ , where  $Z_1$  is the **one-particle partition function**. In the case where the particles are **identical non-interacting indistinguishable particles**  $Z_N = Z_1^N / N!$ , where  $1/N!$  is the Gibb's over-counting factor. This means that the **N-particle Helmholtz free energy** is essentially **additive**,

$$F(N) = -k_B T \ln Z_1^N = \sum_{i=1}^N -k_B T \ln Z_1 + \text{constant}, \text{ where it is clear that } Z_1 = Z_2 = Z_3 \dots = Z_N.$$

Now the partition function is the summation of all possible Boltzman factor,  $\exp(-\beta \epsilon)$ , which is  $Z = \sum_{\epsilon} \exp(-\beta \epsilon)$ , where it is possible for two or more states to have the same energy. For **indistinguishable** and **identical** photons of a **single mode** with frequency,  $\nu$ , and energy  $\epsilon_n = nh\nu$ , where  $n$  is the number of photons of **that mode**, the partition

function is simply  $Z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \exp(-\beta nh\nu)$ . This is the **well-known geometric series**,

$$\sum_{n=0}^k r^n = \frac{1-r^{k+1}}{1-r}, \text{ and for } -1 < r < 1, \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n = \frac{1}{1-r}, \text{ so}$$

$$Z_\nu = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [\exp(-\beta h\nu)]^n = \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h\nu)}, \text{ where we note that } \exp(-\beta h\nu) < 1. \text{ We assume}$$

that the system can have any number of photons, since the chemical potential of a photon system is zero  $\mu = 0$  (see below). In the case where there are more than one mode of photons with frequency  $\nu_i$  and energy  $n_i h\nu_i$ , where  $n_i$  is the number of photons in the  $i^{\text{th}}$

mode, the partition function should be  $Z = Z_1 Z_2 Z_3 \dots Z_i \dots$ , where  $Z_i = \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h\nu_i)}$ . Note

that the multiplicative property occurs since photons do not interact, and the absence of  $1/N!$  is explained by the distinguishability of the different modes. Hence the Helmholtz

$$\text{free energy of the photon system } F_{\text{photon}} = \sum_i -k_B T \ln Z_i = \sum_\nu -k_B T \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h\nu)} \right). \text{ In}$$

previous treatments of free non-interacting particles discrete summations are transformed to integrals  $\sum_{\epsilon} (\dots) \rightarrow \int d\epsilon D(\epsilon) (\dots)$ , where  $D(\epsilon)$  is the density of state per unit energy.

Here we transform  $\sum_v(\dots) \rightarrow \int dv D_{EM}(v)(\dots)$ , where  $D_{EM}(v)$  is the mode density of state

per unit frequency, where from equation 6.12  $D_{EM} dv = \left(\frac{8\pi}{c^3}\right) V v^2 dv$ .

$$F_{photon} = \sum_v -k_B T \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h v)} \right) \rightarrow F_{photon} = -k_B T \int_0^\infty dv D_{EM}(v) \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h v)} \right)$$

$$B) F_{photon} = -k_B T \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) V \int_0^\infty dv v^2 \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h v)} \right). \text{ Integrate by parts,}$$

$\int d(uv) = uv = \int u dv + \int v du \rightarrow \int v du = uv - \int u dv$ , with  $du = v^2 dv$ , so that  $u = \frac{v^3}{3}$ , and

$v = \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h v)} \right)$ , so that  $dv = -\beta h \frac{\exp(-\beta h v)}{1 - \exp(-\beta h v)} dv$ . This gives

$$F_{photon} = -k_B T \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) V \left\{ \left[ \frac{v^3}{3} \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h v)} \right) \right]_0^\infty + \beta h \int_0^\infty dv \frac{v^3}{3} \frac{\exp(-\beta h v)}{1 - \exp(-\beta h v)} \right\}.$$

$$\left[ \frac{v^3}{3} \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h v)} \right) \right]_0^\infty = \frac{0^3}{3} \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h 0)} \right) - \frac{\infty^3}{3} \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h \infty)} \right). \text{ It is easy to}$$

see that the first term vanishes. For the second term we note that Taylor series expansion  $\ln(1-x) \approx -x$  if  $x$  is really small, and since  $\exp(-\beta h \infty)$  is definitely really small

$$\ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h \infty)} \right) \sim \exp(-\beta h \infty), \text{ and } \frac{\infty^3}{3} \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - \exp(-\beta h \infty)} \right) \sim \frac{\infty^3}{3} \exp(-\beta h \infty) = 0,$$

since  $\exp(-\beta h \infty)$  approaches **zero faster** than  $\infty^3$  approaches **infinity**. Hence we obtain

$$F_{photon} = -k_B T \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) V \beta h \int_0^\infty dv \frac{v^3}{3} \frac{\exp(-\beta h v)}{1 - \exp(-\beta h v)}. \text{ Make the substitution } x = \beta h v,$$

$$F_{photon} = -\frac{k_B T}{3} \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) V \left( \frac{k_B T}{h} \right)^3 \frac{3!}{\Gamma(4)} \int_0^\infty dx \frac{x^{4-1}}{\exp(x) - 1} dx = -2k_B T \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) V \left( \frac{k_B T}{h} \right)^3 g_4(1).$$

$$\text{From appendix, } g_4(1) = \zeta(4) = \frac{\pi^4}{90}, F_{photon} = -2k_B T \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) V \left( \frac{k_B T}{h} \right)^3 \frac{\pi^4}{90}.$$

$$F_{photon} = -k_B T \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) V \left( \frac{k_B T}{h} \right)^3 \frac{\pi^4}{45}.$$

C) Using equations 10.15,  $S = - \left( \frac{\partial F_{\text{photon}}}{\partial T} \right)_{V,N} = k_B V \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) \left( \frac{k_B T}{h} \right)^3 \frac{4\pi^4}{45}.$

Using 10.16,  $P = - \left( \frac{\partial F_{\text{photon}}}{\partial V} \right)_{T,N} = k_B T \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) \left( \frac{k_B T}{h} \right)^3 \frac{\pi^4}{45} = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{8\pi^5 k_B^4}{15c^3 h^3} \right) T^4.$

Hence using 10.12,  $E = F + TS = -k_B T \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) V \left( \frac{k_B T}{h} \right)^3 \frac{\pi^4}{45} + T k_B V \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) \left( \frac{k_B T}{h} \right)^3 \frac{4\pi^4}{45}.$

$E = k_B T V \left( \frac{8\pi}{c^3} \right) \left( \frac{k_B T}{h} \right)^3 \frac{\pi^4}{15} = \left( \frac{8\pi^5 k_B^4}{15c^3 h^3} \right) V T^4$ , which is the same as equation 6.15. Since

$P = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{8\pi^5 k_B^4}{15c^3 h^3} \right) T^4 \rightarrow PV = \frac{1}{3} E$ , which is the same as equation 6.18.

Also from equation 7.13,  $\mu = \left( \frac{\partial F_{\text{photon}}}{\partial N} \right)_{T,V} = 0$ , as stated.

**Problem 5) Problem 8 Chapter 10 (10 points)**

Read and understand section 10.4 on the Gibb's Free Energy:  $G = E - TS + PV = F + PV$ ;

$S = - \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial T} \right)_{P,N}$ ;  $V = \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial P} \right)_{T,N}$ ;  $\mu = \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial N} \right)_{T,P}$ ;  $G = N\mu$ .

A) For  $G = -k_B T N \ln(a T^{5/2} / P)$ , compute the entropy.

$S = - \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial T} \right)_{P,N} = N k_B \ln \left( \frac{a T^{3/2}}{P} \right) + \frac{5}{2} N k_B = N k_B \left( \ln \left( \frac{a T^{3/2}}{P} \right) + \frac{5}{2} \right).$

B) For  $G = -k_B T N \ln(a T^{5/2} / P)$ , compute the heat capacity at constant pressure:

$C_p = \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial T} \right)_{P,N}$ , with the **Enthalpy**  $H = E + PV = E - TS + PV - TS = G + TS$ . Using the

results of A),  $H = -k_B T N \ln \left( \frac{a T^{5/2}}{P} \right) + N k_B T \left( \ln \left( \frac{a T^{3/2}}{P} \right) + \frac{5}{2} \right) = \frac{5}{2} N k_B T$ . Hence

$C_p = \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial T} \right)_{P,N} = \frac{5}{2} N k_B$ , identical to the monatomic ideal gas result of equation (1.16) and (1.18).

C) Using  $V = \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial P} \right)_{T,N} = - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial P} \left\{ N k_B T \ln \left( \frac{a T^{3/2}}{P} \right) \right\} \right)_{T,N} = \frac{N k_B T}{P} \rightarrow PV = N k_B T$ , which is the ideal gas equation.

**D)** Use  $G = E - TS + PV \rightarrow E = G + TS - PV$ ,

$$E = -Nk_B T \ln \left( \frac{aT^{3/2}}{P} \right) + Nk_B T \left( \ln \left( \frac{aT^{3/2}}{P} \right) + \frac{5}{2} \right) - Nk_B T \rightarrow E = \frac{3}{2} Nk_B T, \text{ which is the}$$

equipartition theorem for monatomic ideal gas. Hence it is clear that

$$G = -Nk_B T \ln \left( \frac{aT^{3/2}}{P} \right) \text{ is the Gibb's free energy of a classical monatomic ideal gas.}$$

**Problem 6) 3D Bose-Einstein (BE) Gas, at critical temperature:** In class we showed

$$\text{that } \frac{N}{V} = \frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{\lambda^3}, \frac{PV}{k_B T} = \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{\lambda^3}, \langle E \rangle = \frac{3}{2} Nk_B T \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)}, \text{ with}$$

$\lambda = (h^2 / (2\pi m k_B T))^{1/2}$ , and  $z = \exp(\beta\mu)$ . We showed that a **phase transition** occurs at critical temperature,  $T_B$ . Below  $T_B$ , a **macroscopically large number** of BE particles occupy the ground state,  $\epsilon = 0$ . The phase transition can be detected by measuring the heat capacity near  $T = T_B$ . Calculation in class showed that:

$$\frac{C_V}{Nk_B} = \frac{15}{4} \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)} - \frac{9}{4} \frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{g_{1/2}(z)}, T > T_B,$$

$$\frac{C_V}{Nk_B} = \frac{15}{4} \frac{V}{N} \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\lambda^3}, T \leq T_B$$

**A) (5 points)** Show that for  $T \leq T_B$ ,  $C_V = \frac{15}{4} N_e k_B \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\zeta(3/2)}$ , where  $N_e$  is the number of BE

particles in the **excited** state. Explain why this relation obeys the third law of thermodynamics.

Start with  $\langle E \rangle = \frac{3}{2} Nk_B T \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)}$  and  $\frac{N}{V} = \frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{\lambda^3}$ , which can be recombine to

$$\langle E \rangle = \frac{3}{2} \frac{N}{g_{3/2}(z)} k_B T g_{5/2}(z) = \frac{3V k_B T g_{5/2}(z)}{2\lambda^{3/2}}. \text{ For } T \leq T_B, z = 1, g_{3/2}(1) = \zeta(3/2), \text{ and the}$$

number of particles in the **excited states** is  $N_e = V \frac{\zeta(3/2)}{\lambda^3}$ , where  $\lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2\pi m k_B T}}$ , the rest

of the particle must then be in the **ground state**  $N_0 = \langle n_1 \rangle = N - N_e = N \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_B} \right)^{3/2} \right]$ , as

given by equation 9.52. Similarly For  $T \leq T_B$ ,  $z = 1, g_{3/2}(1) = \zeta(3/2)$ , and

$g_{5/2}(1) = \zeta(5/2)$ , so  $\langle E \rangle = \frac{3Vk_B T g_{5/2}(z)}{2\lambda^{3/2}}$ . It is easy to see that  $\langle E \rangle \propto T^{5/2}$ , and

$$C_V = \left( \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = \frac{15Vk_B g_{5/2}(z)}{4\lambda^{3/2}}. \text{ But we showed that, } T < T_B,$$

$$N_e = V \frac{\zeta(3/2)}{\lambda^3} \rightarrow \frac{V}{\lambda^3} = \frac{N_e}{\zeta(3/2)} \rightarrow C_V = \frac{15}{4} N_e k_B \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\zeta(3/2)}.$$

From earlier, the number of particles in the **excited states** is  $N_e = V \frac{\zeta(3/2)}{\lambda^3}$ , with

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2\pi m k_B T}}, \text{ so that } N_e \propto T^{3/2}, \text{ so that as } T \rightarrow 0, N_e = 0 \text{ and } C_V = 0, \text{ which is one of the}$$

third law of Thermodynamics.

**B) (5 points)** Show that the heat capacity,  $C_V$ , is continuous at the critical temperature,  $T = T_B$  - i.e.  $C_V(T = T_B + 0) = C_V(T = T_B - 0)$ !

**HINT:** Look in the appendix at  $T = T_B$ ,  $z = 1$ , but it is possible write  $z = 1 = \exp(-\alpha)$ ,

which is equivalent to  $\alpha = -\frac{\mu}{k_B T} \rightarrow 0$ , and the appendix note,  $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} g_\nu(\exp \alpha) \approx \frac{\Gamma(1-\nu)}{\alpha^{1-\nu}}$  to

show that  $g_{1/2}(1) \rightarrow \infty$ .

Start with  $\frac{C_V}{Nk_B} = \frac{15}{4} \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)} - \frac{9}{4} \frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{g_{1/2}(z)}, T > T_B$ , where at  $T = T_B$ ,  $z = 1$ ,  $g_\nu(1) = \zeta(\nu)$ , for  $\nu$

$> 1$ . For  $\nu = 1/2$ , the hint states that  $g_{1/2}(1) \rightarrow \infty$ , so that  $\frac{C_V}{Nk_B} = \frac{15}{4} \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\zeta(3/2)}$  for  $T = T_B + 0$ ,

but we know that at  $T = T_B$ ,  $N = N_e$  all particles are in the excited states, which gives,

$$\frac{C_V}{Nk_B} = \frac{15}{4} N_e k_B \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\zeta(3/2)}, \text{ which is the same value as for } T = T_B + 0, \text{ so } C_V \text{ is continuous at}$$

$T = T_B$ .

**C) Graduate Students Only(10 points).** Show that the slope of the **heat capacity**

**derivative**  $\left( \frac{dC_V}{dT} \right)$  is **discontinuous** at  $T = T_B$ .

**HINT:** Use the appendix to show that:



$$\frac{1}{Nk_B} \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{T} \left[ \frac{45}{8} \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)} - \frac{9}{4} \frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{g_{1/2}(z)} - \frac{27}{8} \frac{(g_{3/2}(z))^2 g_{-1/2}(z)}{(g_{1/2}(z))^3} \right] & \text{for } T > T_B, \\ \frac{45}{8} \frac{V}{NT\lambda^3} \zeta(5/2) & \text{for } T \leq T_B \end{cases}, \text{ and}$$

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} g_v(\exp \alpha) \approx \frac{\Gamma(1-v)}{\alpha^{1-v}} \text{ for } g_{1/2}(1) \text{ and } g_{-1/2}(1), \text{ with } \Gamma(1/2) = \pi^{1/2}, \Gamma(3/2) = \pi^{1/2}/2.$$

$$\text{For } T \leq T_B, \frac{C_V}{Nk_B} = \frac{15}{4} \frac{V}{N} \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\lambda^3} \rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right) = \frac{45}{8} k_B \frac{V}{T} \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\lambda^3}, \text{ where } (1/\lambda^3) \propto T^{3/2}.$$

$$\text{For } T \geq T_B, \frac{C_V}{Nk_B} = \frac{15}{4} \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)} - \frac{9}{4} \frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{g_{1/2}(z)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{Nk_B} \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} &= \frac{15}{4} \frac{1}{g_{3/2}} \left( \frac{\partial g_{5/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{V,N} - \frac{15}{4} \frac{g_{5/2}}{g_{3/2}^2} \left( \frac{\partial g_{3/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{V,N} - \frac{9}{4} \frac{1}{g_{1/2}} \left( \frac{\partial g_{3/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{V,N} \\ &\quad + \frac{9}{4} \frac{g_{3/2}}{g_{1/2}^2} \left( \frac{\partial g_{1/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{V,N}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{From appendix, } \left( \frac{\partial g_{3/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = -\frac{3}{2T} g_{3/2}(z), \left( \frac{\partial g_{5/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = -\frac{3}{2T} \frac{g_{3/2}^2}{g_{1/2}},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{\partial g_{1/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} &= -\frac{3}{2T} \frac{g_{3/2} g_{-1/2}}{g_{1/2}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{Nk_B} \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = -\frac{45}{8} \frac{1}{T} \frac{g_{3/2}}{g_{1/2}} + \frac{45}{8} \frac{1}{T} \frac{g_{5/2}}{g_{3/2}} + \frac{27}{8} \frac{1}{T} \frac{g_{3/2}}{g_{1/2}} \\ &\quad - \frac{27}{8} \frac{1}{T} \frac{g_{3/2}^2 g_{-1/2}}{g_{1/2}^3}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Combining, } \frac{1}{Nk_B} \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = \frac{1}{T} \left[ \frac{45}{8} \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)} - \frac{9}{4} \frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{g_{1/2}(z)} - \frac{27}{8} \frac{(g_{3/2}(z))^2 g_{-1/2}(z)}{(g_{1/2}(z))^3} \right].$$

At  $T = T_B$ ,  $z = 1$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{Nk_B} \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = \frac{1}{T_B} \left[ \frac{45}{8} \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\zeta(3/2)} - \frac{9}{4} \frac{\zeta(3/2)}{g_{1/2}(1)} - \frac{27}{8} \frac{(\zeta(3/2))^2 g_{-1/2}(1)}{(g_{1/2}(1))^3} \right], \text{ and from before}$$

$$\text{we showed, } g_{1/2}(1) = \infty, \frac{1}{Nk_B} \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = \frac{1}{T_B} \left[ \frac{45}{8} \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\zeta(3/2)} - \frac{27}{8} \frac{(\zeta(3/2))^2 g_{-1/2}(1)}{(g_{1/2}(1))^3} \right],$$

For  $\nu = -1/2, 1/2$ , use  $\alpha \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow g_\nu(\exp \alpha) \approx \frac{\Gamma(1-\nu)}{\alpha^{1-\nu}}, g_{1/2}(1) \approx \frac{\pi^{1/2}}{\alpha^{1/2}}, g_{-1/2}(1) \approx \frac{\pi^{1/2}}{2\alpha^{3/2}}$ ,

$$\frac{(\zeta(3/2))^2 g_{-1/2}(1)}{(g_{1/2}(1))^3} = (\zeta(3/2))^2 \frac{\pi^{1/2}}{2\alpha^{3/2}} \left( \frac{\pi^{3/2}}{\alpha^{3/2}} \right)^{-1} = \frac{(\zeta(3/2))^2}{2\pi}, \text{ which gives}$$

approaching transition temperature,  $T = T_B + 0$  from above

$$\frac{1}{Nk_B} \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} \Big|_{T=T_B+0} = \frac{1}{T_B} \left[ \frac{45}{8} \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\zeta(3/2)} - \frac{27}{16} \frac{(\zeta(3/2))^2}{\pi} \right]. \text{ From earlier, approaching transition}$$

temperature,  $T = T_B - 0$  from below,  $\left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} \Big|_{T=T_B-0} = \frac{45}{8} k_B V \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\lambda^3}$ , which can be combines

$$\text{with } N = V \frac{\zeta(3/2)}{\lambda^3} \text{ (valid for } T \geq T_B), \text{ gives } \frac{1}{Nk_B} \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} \Big|_{T=T_B-0} = \frac{45}{8} \frac{1}{T_B} \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\zeta(3/2)}.$$

This gives finally,  $\frac{1}{Nk_B} \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} \Big|_{T=T_B-0} - \frac{1}{Nk_B} \left( \frac{\partial C_V}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} \Big|_{T=T_B+0} = \frac{27}{16} \frac{(\zeta(3/2))^2}{T_B \pi}$ , which verifies that the

heat capacity is discontinuous at  $T = T_B$ .

**Problem 7) 3D Ultra-relativistic BE gas** with dispersion relation  $\varepsilon = ap$ ,  $a$  is a constant. In this problem **neglect the spin in all calculations**.

**A) (5 points)** Show that the **density of state** is  $D(\varepsilon) = V \frac{4\pi}{h^3 a^3} \varepsilon^2$ .

As always start with quantum counting  $\sum(..) \rightarrow \frac{V}{h^3} 4\pi p^2 dp$ , with dispersion relation

$$\varepsilon = ap \rightarrow dp = d\varepsilon / a, \sum(..) \rightarrow \frac{V}{h^3} 4\pi p^2 dp = \frac{V}{h^3 a^3} 4\pi \varepsilon^2 d\varepsilon, \text{ and } D(\varepsilon) = V \frac{4\pi}{h^3 a^3} \varepsilon^2.$$

**B) (5 points)** Show  $N = \int_0^\infty d\varepsilon \frac{1}{z^{-1} \exp(\beta\varepsilon) - 1} D(\varepsilon) \rightarrow \frac{N}{V} = b \left( \frac{1}{\beta} \right)^{m_1} g_{m_2}(z)$ , where  $b, m_1$

and  $m_2$  are constants that you are expected to determine.

$$N = \frac{4\pi V}{h^3 a^3} \int_0^\infty d\varepsilon \frac{\varepsilon^2}{z^{-1} \exp(\beta\varepsilon) - 1}, \text{ with substitution } x = \beta\varepsilon,$$

$$N = \frac{4\pi V}{h^3 a^3} (k_B T)^{3/2} \frac{2!}{\Gamma(3)} \int_0^\infty d\varepsilon \frac{x^{3-1}}{z^{-1} \exp(x) - 1} = \frac{8\pi V}{h^3 a^3} (k_B T)^3 g_3(z), m_1 = m_2 = 3, b = \frac{8\pi V k_B^3}{h^3 a^3}.$$

**C) (5 points)** Derive equations for the critical temperature,  $T_B$ , and the number of particles in the ground state,  $N_0$ , that is analogous to equation 9.51 and 9.52.

For  $T \leq T_B$ ,  $z = 1$ , and  $g_3(1) = \zeta(3) = 1.20206$ , and  $N_e = \frac{8\pi V}{h^3 a^3} (k_B T)^3 \zeta(3)$ , where  $N_e$  is the number of atoms in the excited states, and right at the transition temperature,  $T = T_B$ , the total number of atoms  $N = N_e$  number of atoms in the excited states:

$$N = \frac{8\pi V}{h^3 a^3} (k_B T_B)^3 \zeta(3) \rightarrow T_B^3 = \left( \frac{N}{V} \right) \frac{h^3 a^3}{8\pi k_B^3 \zeta(3)}. \text{ The transition temperature is}$$

$$T_B = \left( \frac{N}{8\pi \zeta(3) V} \right)^{1/3} \frac{h a}{k_B}.$$

Below the transition temperature  $T < T_B$ , macroscopic occupation of the ground state gives the number of particles in the ground state as  $N_0 = \langle n_1 \rangle = N - N_e$ , where I note that the textbook uses  $\langle n_1 \rangle$ , instead of the  $N_0$  that I usually employed to describe the number of particles in the ground state.

$$\text{Combining } N_e = \frac{8\pi V}{h^3 a^3} (k_B T)^3 \zeta(3) = N T^3 \left( \frac{N}{V} \frac{h^3 a^3}{8\pi k_B^3 \zeta(3)} \right)^{-1}, \text{ with } T_B^3 = \left( \frac{N}{V} \right) \frac{h^3 a^3}{8\pi k_B^3 \zeta(3)},$$

$$\text{We obtain, } N_e = N \left( \frac{T}{T_B} \right)^3, \text{ and } N_0 = N - N_e = N \left( 1 - \left( \frac{T}{T_B} \right)^3 \right).$$

**APPENDIX Bose-Einstein(BE) function:**  $g_v = \frac{1}{\Gamma(v)} \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{v-1}}{z^{-1} \exp(x) - 1} dx.$

Expansion form,  $g_v = z + \frac{z^2}{2^v} + \frac{z^3}{3^v} + \frac{z^4}{4^v} + \dots$ ,  $1 < z < \infty$ . High T (classical),  $g_v \approx z$ , small  $z$ .

Low temperature,  $z \rightarrow 1$ ,  $g_v(1) = \zeta(v)$  the Riemann-Zeta function.

$$\text{3D BE gas with dispersion relation } \epsilon = \frac{p^2}{2m}, D(\epsilon) = \frac{2\pi V (2m)^{3/2}}{h^3} \epsilon^{1/2},$$

$$N = \int_0^\infty \frac{D(\epsilon) d\epsilon}{z^{-1} \exp(\beta \epsilon) - 1} = \frac{V g_{3/2}(z)}{\lambda^3}, \text{ and } \frac{PV}{k_B T} = - \int_0^\infty d\epsilon D(\epsilon) \ln(1 - z \exp(-\beta \epsilon)) = \frac{V g_{5/2}(z)}{\lambda^3},$$

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2\pi m k_B T}}. \langle E \rangle = - \left( \frac{\partial q}{\partial \beta} \right)_{z, V}, q = \frac{PV}{k_B T}. \text{ Heat capacity, constant volume,}$$

$C_V = \left( \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V}$ , **constant pressure**,  $C_P = \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial T} \right)_{N,P}$ , Enthalpy  $H = \langle E \rangle + PV$ . Using above

we can show  $\langle E \rangle = \frac{3}{2} k_B T \frac{V}{\lambda^3} g_{5/2}(z) = \frac{3}{2} N k_B T \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)}$ , also  $PV = \frac{2}{3} \langle E \rangle$ .

Calculating  $C_V$  is complicated by the fact that  $\langle E \rangle$  is a function of  $T$  and  $z$  (or  $V$ ), but we do not know the explicit for of the fugacity  $z = \exp(\beta \epsilon)$ . Hence

$$C_V = \left( \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = \frac{3}{2} N k_B \left[ \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)} + T \frac{1}{g_{3/2}(z)} \left( \frac{\partial g_{5/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} - T \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}^2(z)} \left( \frac{\partial g_{3/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} \right].$$

We must find  $\left( \frac{\partial g_{3/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V}$  and  $\left( \frac{\partial g_{5/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V}$ . Start with  $N = \frac{V g_{3/2}(z)}{\lambda^3} \rightarrow g_{3/2}(z) = \frac{N}{V} \lambda^3$ , and

$$\lambda^3 \propto T^{-3/2} \rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial g_{3/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = -\frac{3}{2T} g_{3/2}(z). \text{ But using, } g_v(z) = z + \frac{z^2}{2^v} + \dots \rightarrow z \frac{dg_v}{dz} = g_{v-1},$$

$$\text{which gives } \left( \frac{\partial g_{3/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = \frac{dg_{3/2}}{dz} \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = -\frac{3}{2T} g_{3/2}(z) \rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = -z \frac{3}{2T} \frac{g_{3/2}}{g_{1/2}}.$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial g_{5/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = \frac{dg_{5/2}}{dz} \left( \frac{\partial z}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = -\frac{3}{2T} \frac{g_{5/2}^2}{g_{1/2}}, \text{ and } \left( \frac{\partial g_{1/2}}{\partial T} \right)_{N,V} = -\frac{3}{2T} \frac{g_{3/2} g_{-1/2}}{g_{1/2}}.$$

$$\text{Using the above relations, } \frac{C_V}{N k_B} = \frac{15}{4} \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)} - \frac{9}{4} \frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{g_{1/2}(z)}, T > T_B.$$

### **Special Behavior of BE gas at Low Temperature**

At Low temperature,  $z \rightarrow 1$ ,  $g_v(z=1) = \zeta(v)$ . Some values are  $\zeta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$ ;  $\zeta(4) = \frac{\pi^4}{90}$ ;

$$\zeta(6) = \frac{\pi^6}{945}; \zeta\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 2.61328; \zeta\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) = 1.34349; \zeta\left(\frac{7}{2}\right) = 1.12673; \zeta(3) = 1.20206;$$

$$\zeta(5) = 1.03693; \zeta(7) = 1.00835.$$

Some values of  $v$  have special behavior as  $z \rightarrow 1$ , or  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$   $z = \exp(\beta \mu) = \exp -\alpha$ .

$$g_v(\exp -\alpha) = \frac{\Gamma(1-v)}{\alpha^{1-v}} + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \zeta(v-i) \alpha^i, \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} g_v(\exp \alpha) \approx \frac{\Gamma(1-v)}{\alpha^{1-v}}.$$