

## Kinetic Theory

### Maxwell Velocity Distribution

For one molecule  $f(q, p) d^3q d^3p \propto e^{-\beta \frac{p^2}{2m}} d^3q d^3p$

let  $f(q, v)$  denotes the probability of a particle to be at position between  $q$  &  $q+dq$  & velocity between  $v$  &  $v+dv$

$$f(q, v) d^3q d^3v \propto e^{-\beta \frac{mv^2}{2}} d^3q d^3v$$

How do we calculate the constant of proportionality?

$$\int f(q, v) d^3q d^3v = 1 \quad \text{normalization}$$

all over

for  $N$  particles

$$f(q, v) d^3q d^3v = \frac{N}{V} \left(\frac{\beta m}{2\pi}\right)^{3/2} e^{-\beta \frac{mv^2}{2}} d^3q d^3v$$

$f(q, v) d^3q d^3v$  is the mean # of particle w/ position between  $q$  &  $q+dq$ , velocity between  $v$  &  $v+dv$

### Speed distribution

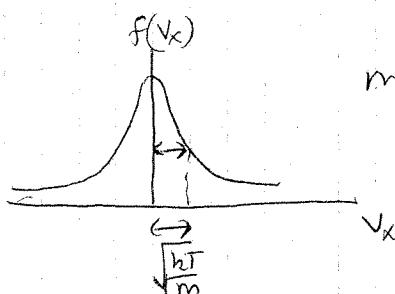
$$f(\vec{v}) = ? \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{how are these related to } f(q, v) \\ F(N) = ? \end{array} \right.$$

$$f(\vec{v}) d^3v = \int_0^{\infty} f(q, v) d^3v dq = N \left(\frac{\beta m}{2\pi}\right)^{3/2} e^{-\beta \frac{mv^2}{2}} d^3v$$

mean # of molecules with velocity between  $v$  &  $v+dv$

$$f(v_x) dv_x = \iiint_{q, v_y, v_z} f(q, v) d^3q d^3v = N \left(\frac{m\beta}{2\pi}\right)^{1/2} e^{-\beta \frac{mv_x^2}{2}} dv_x$$

mean # of molecules w/  $v_x$  between  $v_x$  &  $v_x + dv_x$



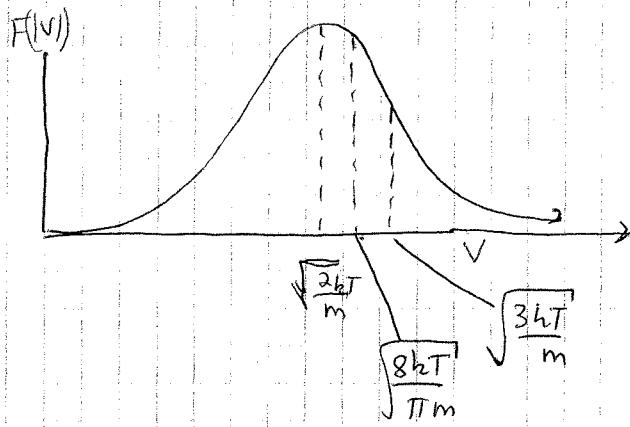
$F(N) dv = Ne^{\text{mean}} \# \text{ of molecules with a speed } V = |\vec{v}| \text{ in the range between } v \text{ & } v+dv$

$$F(v) dv = \iiint f(q, v) d^3v = f(\vec{v}) 4\pi v^2 dv$$

spherical shell of radius  $v$   
& thickness  $dv$



$$F(v)dv = 4\pi N \left(\frac{m\beta}{2\pi}\right)^{3/2} v^2 e^{-\beta mv^2/2} dv$$



$$\sqrt{v} = \sqrt{\frac{8kT}{\pi m}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}v^2 = \frac{3kT}{m}$$

(Can get this from  
equipartition theorem as well)  
 $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{3}{2}kT$

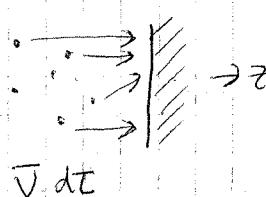
most probable speed at  $F(v)$  max

$$V_{prob} = \sqrt{\frac{2kT}{m}}$$

$V_{rms}$  of  $N_2$  gas is  $\sim 500$  m/sec  $\sim$  speed of sound

### Flux of Particles at a wall

Estimate



$\frac{1}{3}$  of molecules have velocity in  $z$  direction

$\frac{1}{2}$  of those are in the  $+z$  direction

If mean speed of molecules is  $\bar{v}$

$n$  = molecules/unit volume

$$\# \text{ particles} = \frac{n}{6} A \bar{v} dt$$

with the wall

$$P_o = \# \text{ of molecules that strike a unit area}/\text{unit time}$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{6} n \bar{v}$$

### Pressure of a gas estimate

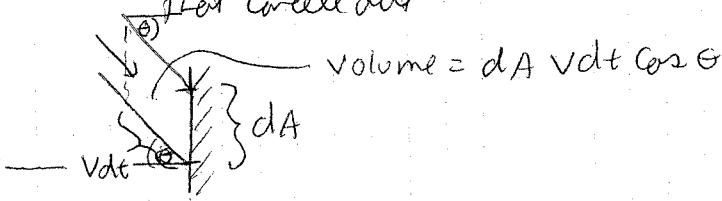
$$F = \frac{dp}{dt} \quad dp = 2mv \quad \text{for elastic collisions}$$

$$P = P_o \cdot 2m\bar{v} = \frac{1}{3} nm\bar{v}^2 \quad \frac{1}{2}m\bar{v}^2 = \frac{3}{2}kT \quad \text{by equipartition}$$

$$P = nkT$$

## Exact Calculation:

Need to worry about accounting for directions in collisions. For pressure rate estimates per  $\frac{dP}{dt}$  have errors that cancel out.



$$\text{volume} = dA \cdot v_{dt} \cos \theta$$

$\frac{N}{V} d^3V = \text{the # of particles w/ velocity between } V \text{ & } V + dv$   
which strike a unit area of the wall per unit time

$$\frac{N}{V} d^3V = d^3V f(\theta, \phi) v \cos \theta$$

$\Phi_0 = \text{total # of particles that strike a unit area of the wall per unit time}$

$$\Phi_0 = \int_{v_z > 0} d^3V f(\theta, \phi) v \cos \theta \quad \begin{cases} 0 < \phi < 2\pi \\ \frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \pi \end{cases} \quad \frac{1}{4}\Omega = \pi \quad 0 < v < \infty \quad v_z > 0$$

$$d^3V = v^2 dv \underbrace{\sin \theta d\theta d\phi}_{\pi \text{ ster integrated}}$$

$$\Phi_0 = \frac{N}{V} \left( \frac{m \beta}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} d\theta \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin \theta d\phi \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} v^2 v \cos \theta \sin \theta d\phi e^{-\frac{\beta mv^2}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{N}{V} \sqrt{\frac{kT}{2\pi m}} \quad \text{for ideal gas} \quad \Phi_0 = \frac{P}{\text{Avogadro's number} \times k_B T}$$

One of the techniques proposed for separation of isotopes for making A-Bomb

Effusion - separation of isotope of different mass  
hole  $\ll l$  (mean free path)

So if we have two containers connected by a tiny hole

$$\frac{P_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2}{T_2} \quad \text{in steady state}$$

if diameter  $\gg l$  pressure equilibrates

## Polyatomic Molecules

Ideal gas in the classical limit

$$\bar{Z} = \frac{\xi^N}{N!} \quad \xi = \sum_s e^{-\beta E_s}$$

For a polyatomic molecule we need to figure out what goes into  $\xi$

$$g_f = g_t + g_e + g_r + g_v$$

$$E_s = E_t + E_e + E_r + E_v$$

$g_t$  - translational motion of cm

$g_e$  - electronic stat

$g_r$  rotational motion

$g_v$  Vibrational motion

Since there are additive

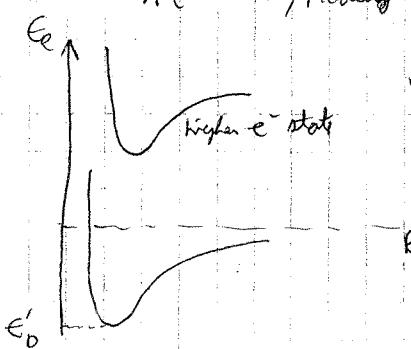
Ex: diatomic

$$g_t = \frac{P^2}{2(m_1 + m_2)}$$

$$\xi = \xi_t \xi_e \xi_r \xi_v$$

$$\xi_t = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi(m_1 + m_2)kT}}{h^3} [2\pi(m_1 + m_2)kT]^{3/2} \text{ just like before}$$

$g_e$  typically only lowest energy state matters & molecule is in ground state

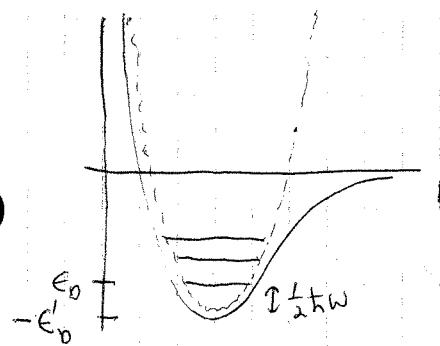


$$\xi_e = \Omega_0 e^{\beta E'_0}$$

degree of degeneracy

$\Omega_0 = 1$  for no degenerate states

$g_v$  bottom of well looks like a harmonic oscillator



near minimum

$$E_e(R) = -E'_0 + \frac{1}{2} b \xi^2$$

where  $\xi \equiv R - R_0$

$$b = \frac{\partial^2 E_e(R_0)}{\partial R^2}$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} \mu \dot{R}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \mu \xi^2$$

$$\mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \text{ reduced mass}$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{b}{\mu}}$$

From QM  $E_v = \hbar\omega(n + \frac{1}{2})$  where  $n = 0, 1, 2, 3$

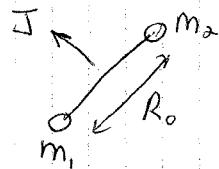
$$\xi_v = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-\beta\hbar\omega(n + \frac{1}{2})} = \frac{e^{-\frac{\beta\hbar\omega}{2}}}{1 - e^{-\beta\hbar\omega}}$$

typically  $\beta\hbar\omega \gg 1$  so this reduces to

$$\xi_v = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta\hbar\omega}$$

Cannot use degeneracy

For Rotation



moment of Inertia

$$I = \frac{1}{2}m_1R_0^2$$

$$\text{So if } M_1 = M_2 \quad I = \frac{1}{4}R_0^2 m \text{ or } m(\frac{R}{2})^2 \checkmark$$

If  $\hbar J$  is the angular momentum its classical energy is given by

$$\frac{(\hbar J)^2}{2A} \quad \text{For QM } J^2 \text{ can assume the values } J(J+1) \text{ with } J = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$E_r = \frac{\hbar^2}{2A} J(J+1) \quad \text{for each value of } J \text{ there are } 2J+1 \text{ possible quantum states of the same energy}$$

$$\xi_r = \sum_{J=0}^{\infty} (2J+1) e^{-\frac{\beta\hbar^2}{2A} J(J+1)}$$

$$M_J = +J, -J+1, \dots, J-1, J$$

if  $\frac{\hbar^2}{2A\hbar\omega} \gg 1$  almost all molecules in lowest rotational state

if  $\frac{\hbar^2 J(J+1)}{2A\hbar\omega} \ll 1$  then spacing of rotational levels is small & we can use a classical or continuum calc.

$$U = J(J+1)$$

$$\xi_r \approx \int_0^{\infty} du e^{-\frac{\beta\hbar^2}{2A} u} = \frac{2A}{\beta\hbar^2}$$

If two nuclei are identical then  $180^\circ$  rotation is the same as a  $0^\circ$  rotation

$$\xi_r = \frac{A\hbar T}{\hbar^2} \quad \text{if two nuclei are different} \quad \xi_r = \frac{2A\hbar T}{\hbar^2}$$

From Equipartition each rotational axis is quadratic in  $J$  so we get  $\frac{1}{2}kT$  for each direction

$\rightarrow$  oscillator along  $ox$  is harder since next energy level  $E \propto \frac{1}{A}$  if  $A$  is small next level is very high

$$\xi = \xi_e \xi_e \xi_r \xi_v = \frac{N}{h^3} [2\pi(m_1 + m_2)kT]^{3/2} \omega_0 e^{\beta E_0} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta kT} \frac{2A}{\beta h^2}$$

$$Z = \frac{\xi^N}{N!} \quad \text{etc.}$$

Deriving the Van der Waals Eq of state

$$Z = \frac{1}{N!} \left[ S \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\beta(p_{\text{ext}}^2 + u_e)} \frac{d^3 r d^3 p}{h^3} \right]^N$$

we've  
already done  
before

effective potential due to  
all other particles

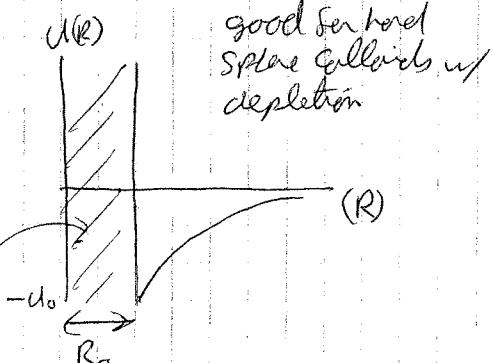
$$Z = \frac{1}{N!} \left( \frac{2\pi m}{h^2 \beta} \right)^{3/2 N} \left[ S \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\beta u_e(r)} d^3 r \right]^N$$

integrates  
over volume

$$Z = \frac{1}{N!} \left( \frac{2\pi m}{h^2 \beta} \right)^{3/2 N} \left[ (V - V_x) e^{-\beta \bar{u}_e} \right]^N$$

excluded  
volume

excluded  
volume  
per particle



Total mean potential energy is  $N \bar{U}_e$

There are  $\frac{1}{2} (N(N-1))$  pairs of molecules  
 $\sim N^2$

$$N \bar{U}_e = \frac{1}{2} N^2 \bar{U}$$

$$\bar{U}_e = \frac{1}{2} N \bar{U}$$

forget to integrate over all possible distances

$$\bar{U} = \frac{1}{V} \int_{R_0}^R U(R) 4\pi r^2 dr = -\frac{4\pi U_0}{V} \int_{R_0}^R \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^S R^2 dr \quad \text{You need } S > 3 \text{ for integral to converge}$$

$$\bar{U}_e = \frac{1}{2} N \bar{U} = -a' \frac{N}{V} \quad a' = \frac{2\pi}{3} R_0^3 \left(\frac{3}{S-3}\right) U_0$$

excluded volume is  $\frac{1}{2} N^2 \left( \frac{4}{3} \pi R_0^3 \right)$   
 # of pairs excluded volume/pair

$$V_x = b'N \quad b' = \frac{2\pi R_0^3}{3} = 4 \left[ \frac{4\pi}{3} \left( \frac{R_0}{2} \right)^3 \right]$$

Now we're done

$$Z = \frac{1}{N!} \left[ \left( \frac{2\pi m}{h^2 \beta} \right)^{\frac{3}{2} N} \right] [ (V - b'N) e^{-\beta \frac{a'N^2}{V}} ]^N$$

$$\bar{P} = \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial V} = \frac{1}{\beta} \frac{\partial}{\partial V} [N \ln (V - b'N) - N\beta U_e]$$

$$\bar{P} = \frac{NhT}{V - b'N} - \alpha' \frac{N^2}{V^2}$$

$$\boxed{(\bar{P} + \alpha' \frac{N^2}{V^2})(\frac{V}{N} - b') = hT}$$

### Chemical Equilibrium

Single phase in different molecules  $B_1, \dots, B_m$

need conservation of atoms of each kind

ex:  $2H_2 + O_2 \rightleftharpoons 2H_2O$       4 H's & 2 O's on each side

or  $2H_2 + O_2 \rightleftharpoons 2H_2O = 0$

constraint  $\sum_{i=1}^m b_i B_i = 0$

Change in Number of  $B_i$  molecules  $N_i$  is always proportional to the # of molecules appears in the balanced chemical Eq.

$$dN_i = \lambda b_i$$

Consider an isolated (fixed E) system in chemical equilibrium enclosed in a fixed volume V

$$S = S(E, V, N_1, \dots, N_m) = \text{max}$$

$$dS = 0 \quad \text{since } E \& V \text{ are fixed}$$

$$\sum \mu_i dN_i = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \sum \mu_i b_i = 0$$

$$M_{O_2} + 2M_{H_2} = 2M_{H_2O}$$

What about vector  
notes?  
K come from?

$$\frac{N_{H_2O}^2}{N_{H_2}^2 N_{O_2}^2} = K_N \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{(H_2O)^2}{(H_2)^2 (CO_2)} = K \quad \text{Some wts a factor of Na}$$

Chemical equilibrium between ideal gases:

Suppose we know the free energy of a mixture of gases

$$F = F(T, V, N_1, \dots, N_m)$$

For a specified  $T \& V$

$$\Delta F = \sum_i \frac{\partial F}{\partial N_i} \Big|_{T, V, N} b_i = \sum_i b_i$$

in equil  $\Delta F = 0$  so  $\sum_i b_i \mu_i = 0$

so if we know  $F$  we can calculate  $\mu_i$  & we would be done!

For each molecule

$$S = \sum_i e^{-\beta E_i}$$

for  $N$  molecules

$$Z = \sum_{N!}^N$$

for mixtures of gases that don't interact

$$Z = \frac{S^{N_1} S^{N_2} \dots S^{N_m}}{N_1! N_2! \dots N_m!} = z_1 z_2 \dots z_m$$

$$\ln Z = \sum_i \ln z_i$$

$$\bar{E} = \sum_i \bar{E}_i \quad \text{since } \bar{E} = -\frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial \beta}$$

$$\bar{P} = \sum_i \bar{P}_i \quad \text{since } \bar{P} = \frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial \partial V}$$

$$F(T, V) = \sum_i F_i(T, V) \quad \text{since } F = -kT \ln Z$$

etc.

$$F = -kT \sum_i N_i (\ln \xi_i + \ln N_i + 1)$$

used Stirling's formula  
 $N! = N \ln N - N$

$$\mu_i = \left. \frac{\partial F}{\partial N_i} \right|_{T, V, N_{\neq i}} = -kT \left( \ln \xi_i - \frac{N_i}{N} - \ln N + 1 \right) = -kT \ln \frac{\xi_i}{N_i}$$

## Law of Mass Action

In a reaction, the free energy change is:

$$\Delta F = -kT \sum b_i (\ln \xi_i + \ln N_i) = \Delta F_0 + kT \sum b_i \ln N_i$$

$$\text{where } \Delta F_0 = -kT \sum_i b_i \ln \xi_i$$

Standard free energy change of the reaction depends only on  $T$  &  $V$   
not on  $N_i$

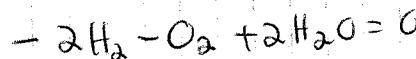
$$\Delta F = \Delta F_0 + kT \sum b_i \ln N_i = 0 \text{ in chemical equil.}$$

$$\sum_i \ln N_i^{b_i} = \ln (N_1^{b_1} N_2^{b_2} N_3^{b_3} \cdots N_m^{b_m}) = -\frac{\Delta F_0}{kT}$$

$$N_1^{b_1} N_2^{b_2} \cdots N_m^{b_m} = K_N(T, V) \equiv e^{-\Delta F_0/kT} = \xi_1^{b_1} \xi_2^{b_2} \cdots \xi_m^{b_m}$$

equilibrium constant

back to our example:



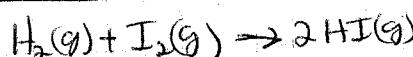
$$N_{H_2}^{-2} N_{O_2}^{-1} N_{H_2O}^2 = K_N$$

$$\frac{N_{H_2O}^2}{N_{H_2}^2 N_{O_2}^2} = K_N \quad \text{or equivalently} \quad \frac{[H_2O]^2}{[H_2][O_2]} = K$$

done know how to calculate  $K$  for this reaction? need  $\xi$  for liquids  
use Van der Waals

Simpler  
Case

### Gas reaction



$$K(T) = \frac{\xi_{HI}^2}{\xi_{H_2}^2 \xi_{I_2}^2} \quad \text{each of these is a diatomic molecule}$$

$$\xi = \xi_t \xi_e \xi_v \xi_r = \frac{V}{h^3} [2\pi(m_1 + m_2)kT]^{3/2} \Omega_0 e^{\beta E_0} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\beta h w} \frac{2A}{\beta h^2}$$

etc.