

Microscopic states of ideal quantum gases [tln62]

Hamiltonian: $\hat{H}_N = \sum_{\ell=1}^N \hat{h}_\ell.$

1-particle eigenvalue equation: $\hat{h}_\ell |\mathbf{k}_\ell\rangle = \epsilon_\ell |\mathbf{k}_\ell\rangle.$

N -particle eigenvalue equation: $\hat{H}_N |\mathbf{k}_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}_N\rangle = E_N |\mathbf{k}_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}_N\rangle.$

Energy: $E_N = \sum_{\ell=1}^N \epsilon_\ell, \quad \epsilon_\ell = \frac{\hbar^2 \mathbf{k}_\ell^2}{2m}.$

N -particle product eigenstates: $|\mathbf{k}_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}_N\rangle = |\mathbf{k}_1\rangle \dots |\mathbf{k}_N\rangle.$

Symmetrized states for bosons: $|\mathbf{k}_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}_N\rangle^{(S)}.$

- $N = 2$: $|\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2\rangle^{(S)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\mathbf{k}_1\rangle |\mathbf{k}_2\rangle + |\mathbf{k}_2\rangle |\mathbf{k}_1\rangle).$

Antisymmetrized states for fermions: $|\mathbf{k}_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}_N\rangle^{(A)}.$

- $N = 2$: $|\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2\rangle^{(A)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\mathbf{k}_1\rangle |\mathbf{k}_2\rangle - |\mathbf{k}_2\rangle |\mathbf{k}_1\rangle).$

Occupation number representation: $|\mathbf{k}_1, \dots, \mathbf{k}_N\rangle \equiv |n_1, n_2, \dots\rangle.$

Here \mathbf{k}_1 represents the wave vector of the first particle, whereas n_1 refers to the number of particles in the first 1-particle state.

- energy: $\hat{H} |n_1, n_2, \dots\rangle = E |n_1, n_2, \dots\rangle, \quad E = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} n_k \epsilon_k.$

- number of particles: $\hat{N} |n_1, n_2, \dots\rangle = N |n_1, n_2, \dots\rangle, \quad N = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} n_k.$

ϵ_ℓ : energy of particle ℓ . ϵ_k : energy of 1-particle state k .

Allowed occupation numbers:

- bosons: $n_k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
- fermions: $n_k = 0, 1.$