

BOSE EINSTEIN CONDENSATION

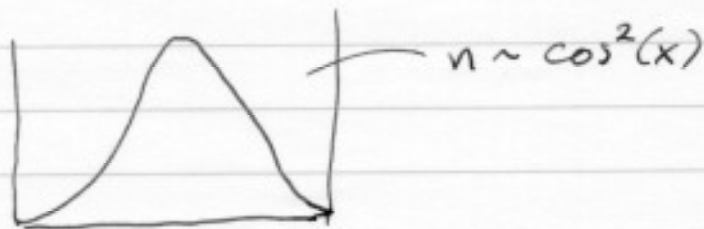
1924 - Bose - developed distribution for photons treated as indistinguishable particles, yielding Planck radiation law

(Einstein helped get it published)

1925 - Einstein - extended the idea of Bose to massive integer spin particles (bosons) with the additional constraint of number conservation (i.e. included chemical potential) - found condensate at $T \neq 0$, even for non-interacting particles

- was considered unlikely

for a box, gr. state wave fn. $\sim \cos(x)$



why would non-interacting particles "clump"

in the grand-canonical ensemble:

$$\frac{PV}{kT} \equiv \ln Q = - \sum_{\epsilon} \ln(1 - ze^{-\beta\epsilon})$$

$$N \equiv \sum_{\epsilon} \langle n_{\epsilon} \rangle = \sum_{\epsilon} \frac{1}{z^{-1}e^{\beta\epsilon} - 1}$$

$$\beta = 1/kT \quad z = e^{\mu/kT} = \text{fugacity}$$

assuming large V , the density of states can be written

$$g(\epsilon)d\epsilon = \frac{2\pi V}{h^3} (2m)^{3/2} \epsilon^{1/2} d\epsilon$$

note that this would give g.d. state ($\epsilon=0$) no density of state weight — but g.m. we know it should exist, so we treat it separately:

turning sums into integrals

$$\frac{P}{kT} = - \frac{2\pi}{h^3} (2m)^{3/2} \int_0^{\infty} \epsilon^{1/2} \ln(1 - ze^{-\beta\epsilon}) d\epsilon - \frac{1}{V} \ln(1 - z)$$

$$\frac{N}{V} = \frac{2\pi}{h^3} (2m)^{3/2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon^{1/2} d\epsilon}{z^{-1}e^{\beta\epsilon} - 1} + \frac{1}{V} \frac{z}{1-z}$$

1st 2nd

if we are in the classical limit, $z \ll 1$

and both 2nd terms are of order $1/N$

if $z \rightarrow 1$, 2nd term in $\frac{P}{kT}$ eq. $\frac{N}{V}$ eq. (which is $\frac{N_0}{V}$)

may not necessarily be small

$$\text{since } \frac{N_0}{V} = \left(\frac{z}{1-z} \right) \frac{1}{V} \Rightarrow N_0 = \frac{z}{1-z} \Rightarrow z = \frac{N_0}{N_0+1}$$

$$\text{then in } \frac{PV}{kT} \text{ eq. } \frac{1}{V} \ln(1-z) = \frac{1}{V} \ln(N_0+1)$$

which is of order at most $N^{-1} \ln N$

and is always small and can be neglected.

using $\beta \epsilon = p^2/2mkT \equiv x$

$$\text{then: } \frac{P}{kT} = \frac{-2\pi (2mkT)^{3/2}}{h^3} \int_0^\infty x^{1/2} \ln(1 - ze^{-x}) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\lambda^3} g_{5/2}(z)$$

where $\lambda = \frac{h}{(2\pi mkT)^{1/2}} \equiv \text{Thermal deBroglie wavelength}$

$$\text{and } g_n(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n)} \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{n-1} dx}{z^{-1}e^x - 1}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{N - N_0}{V} = \frac{2\pi (2mkT)^{3/2}}{h^3} \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{1/2} dx}{z^{-1}e^x - 1} = \frac{1}{\lambda^3} g_{3/2}(x)$$

for small z (near classical), use expansion of $g_{3/2}$ fns.

$$g_n(z) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^j}{j^n} = z + \frac{z^2}{2^n} + \frac{z^3}{3^n} + \dots$$

and assume $N_0 \ll N$

inverting eqs. and eliminating z gives the eq. of state

$$\frac{PV}{NkT} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j \left(\frac{\lambda^3}{v}\right)^{j-1} \quad v = \frac{1}{n} \text{ volume/p}$$

$a_j \equiv$ virial coefficients

$$a_1 = 1$$

$$a_2 = -\frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} = -0.177$$

$$a_3 = -\left(\frac{2}{9\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{8}\right) = -0.003$$

for the specific heat C_v

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{C_v}{Nk} &= \frac{3}{2} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial T} \left(\frac{PV}{Nk} \right) \right\}_v \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{5-3j}{2} g_j \left(\frac{\lambda^3}{V} \right)^{j-1} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \left[1 + .09 \left(\frac{\lambda^3}{V} \right) + .007 \left(\frac{\lambda^3}{V} \right)^2 + \dots \right]\end{aligned}$$

as $T \rightarrow \infty$, $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ and $PV = NkT$
 $C_v = \frac{3}{2} Nk$

Classical results for Bose-Einstein statistics.

now in opposite limit:

$$N - N_0 = V \frac{(2\pi mkT)^{3/2}}{h^3} g_{3/2}(z)$$

$g_{3/2}(z)$ increases monotonically with z , and is max
at $z=1$, where

$$g_{3/2}(1) = 1 + \frac{1}{2^{3/2}} + \frac{1}{3^{3/2}} + \dots \equiv \zeta\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 2.612$$

↑
Riemann
zeta fn.

since $N - N_0$ is no. of particles in excited states

there is a max. no. they can hold:

$$N_{e\max} = \frac{V(2\pi mkT)^{3/2}}{h^3} \zeta\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

$\Rightarrow$ if we keep adding particles, they must go into N_0 ,
into the ground state $\Rightarrow$ Bose-Einstein condensation

— note: unlike condensation of a vapor, this happens
with no interactions

— "condensation in momentum space"

we can define a transition temperature that will depend
on T , and N/V

$$T_c = \frac{h^2}{2\pi mk} \left\{ \frac{N}{V \zeta\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)} \right\}^{2/3}$$

why does this happen?

- consider putting 3 particles into 3 bins

for M-B (distinguishable particles), a, b, c

a b c	6 permutations
ab c	6 permutations
ac b	6 "
bc a	6 "
abc	3

total of 27 possible states

$$\text{states with 3 in one bin} = 3/27 = 11\%$$

for B-E (distinguishable)

• • •	1
•• •	3
•••	3

total of 10 possible states

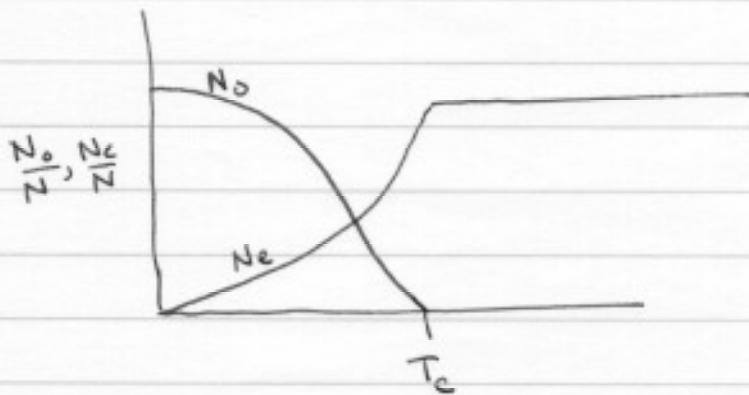
$$\text{states w/ 3 occupied in 1 bin} = 30\%$$

indistinguishability greatly reduces no. of states, except for the state with all in one bin

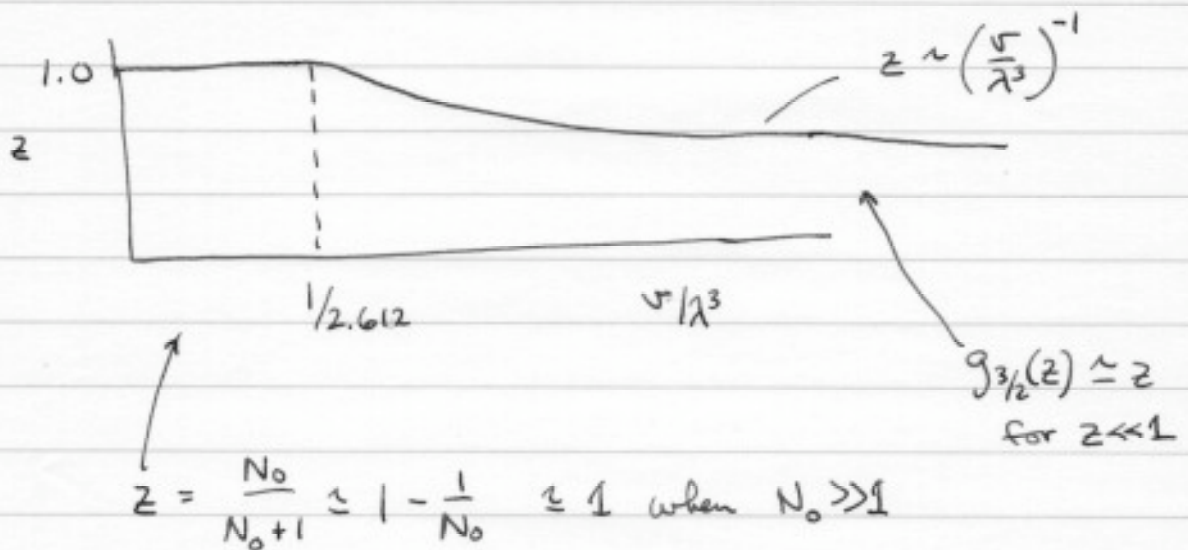
⇒ quantum statistics.

if we have $T < T_c$, then

$$N - N_0 = N \left(T/T_c \right)^{3/2}$$



fugacity (chemical potential also varies)



the specific heat:

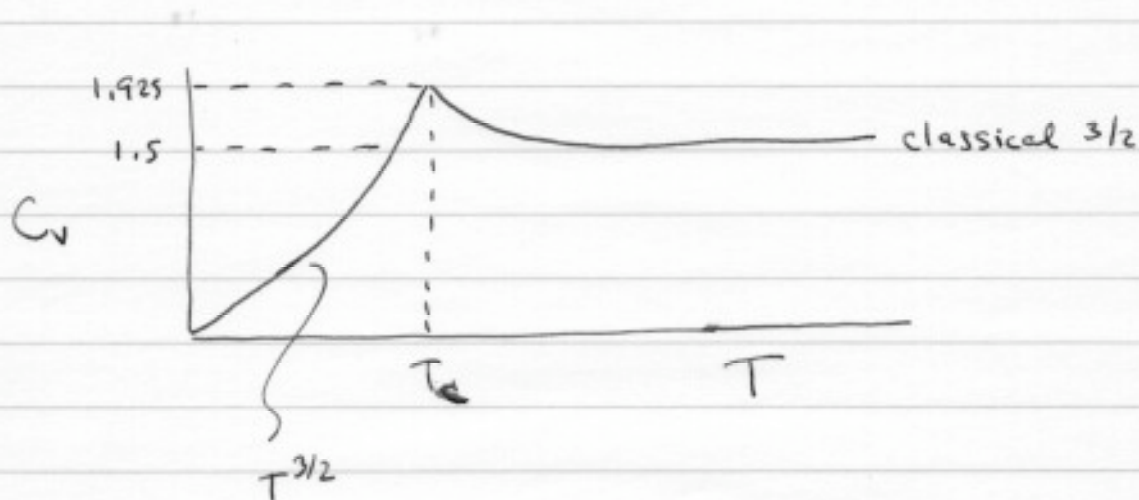
$$\frac{C_v}{Nk} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{V}{N} \zeta(5/2) \frac{d}{dT} \left(\frac{T}{\lambda^3} \right) = \frac{15}{4} \zeta(5/2) \frac{V}{\lambda^3}$$

$$\text{at } T = T_c \quad \frac{C_v(T_c)}{Nk} = \frac{15}{4} \frac{\zeta(5/2)}{\zeta(3/2)} \approx 1.925$$

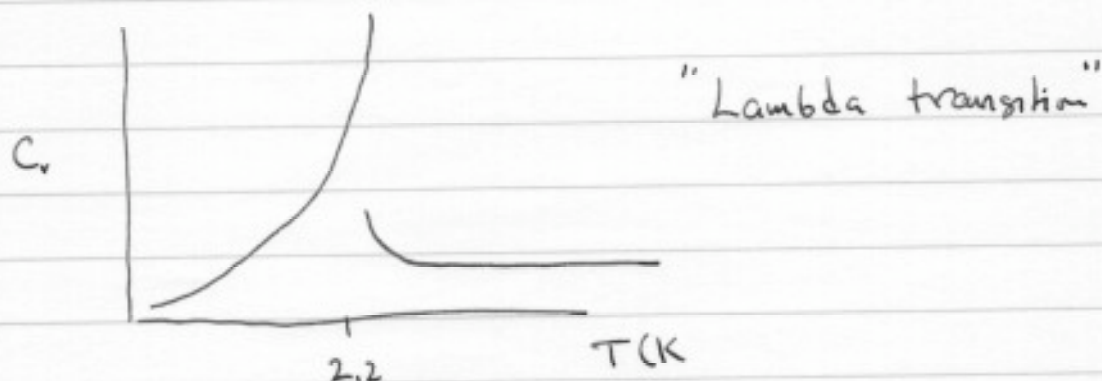
note this is higher than classical value of $3/2 = 1.5$

using expansion forms of $g_n(z)$ for.

$$\text{for } T > T_c \quad \frac{C_v}{Nk} = \frac{15}{4} \frac{g_{5/2}(z)}{g_{3/2}(z)} - \frac{9}{4} \frac{g_{3/2}(z)}{g_{1/2}(z)}$$



experimental observation in LHe (London 1938) ^{BEC?}
Keesom 1927



$\Rightarrow$ superfluid transition $\rightarrow$ BEC?

using $\frac{N}{V}$ for LHe , expect $T_c \sim 3.13$ K !

- maybe including interactions would give explanation for difference?

- not so simple

Superfluidity vs. BEC

BEC - "condensation in momentum space"
atoms in the condensate occupy $p=0$ state

define BEC as $\{$ macroscopic occupation
of single-particle^{*} states

* - not necessarily eigenfunctions of
single-particle Hamiltonian

LiHe presents a problem

density $\sim 20\%$ of max close-packed density

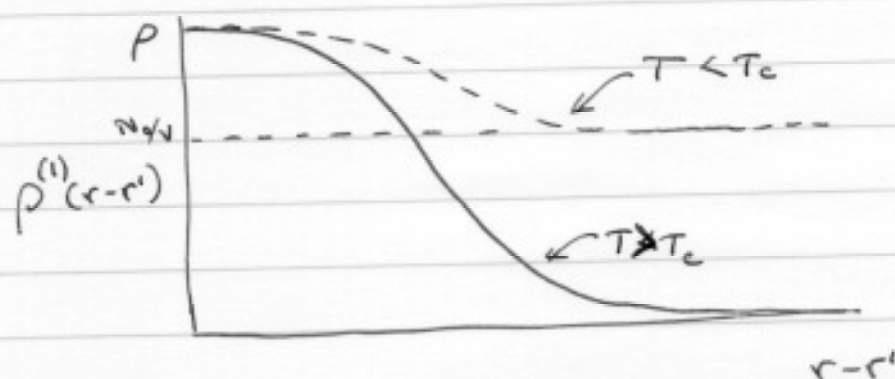
- if two atoms had same single-particle wave
fn., there would be large overlap, but 2 He
atoms cannot occupy the same space

- Penrose & Onsager Phys. Rev. 104 (576) 1956.

- estimate at $T=0$, LiHe is 8% BEC

- confirmed by neutron scattering experiments
which detect $\sim 10\%$ $p=0$ momentum peak

100% superfluid at $T=0$?



- can write eigenvalue equation for $\rho^{(1)}$

$$\int d\vec{r}' \rho^{(1)}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') \psi_i(\vec{r}') = n_i \psi_i(\vec{r})$$

sols. give orthonormal basis of single-particle wave fns.

note: for non-interacting gas, simple sols. of H
 for interacting gas, may be different, but
 still single particle

we can write

$$\rho^{(1)}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') = \sum_i n_i \psi_i^*(\vec{r}) \psi_i(\vec{r}')$$

n_i = single-particle occupation numbers

when $n_0 \equiv N_0$ is order N , $\Rightarrow$ BEC

$\Psi_n(\vec{r}_1, \dots, \vec{r}_N) \equiv N\text{-body wave fn. for state } n$

one-body density matrix:

$$\rho_n^{(1)}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') = N \int d\vec{r}_2 \dots d\vec{r}_N \Psi_n^*(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_2 \dots \vec{r}_N) \Psi_n(\vec{r}', \vec{r}_2 \dots \vec{r}_N)$$

can define mom. space distribution

$$\rho_n(\vec{p}) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar^3} \int d\vec{R} d\vec{s} \rho_n^{(1)}(\vec{R} + \frac{\vec{s}}{2}, \vec{R} - \frac{\vec{s}}{2}) e^{i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{s}/\hbar}$$

for a homogenous system, volume V

$$\rho_n^{(1)}(\vec{s}) = \frac{1}{V} \int d\vec{p} n(\vec{p}) e^{-i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{s}/\hbar}$$

if $n(\vec{p})$ is smooth valued at small $\vec{p}$, then $\rho_n^{(1)}(\vec{s} \rightarrow \infty) \rightarrow 0$

but if we have BEC (non-zero amount of atoms in $p=0$)

$$n(\vec{p}) = N_0 \delta(\vec{p}) + \hat{n}(\vec{p})$$

$\uparrow$ condensate $\nwarrow$ non-condensate

$$\text{then } \rho_n^{(1)}(\vec{r} - \vec{r}') \xrightarrow{\vec{r} - \vec{r}' \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_0}{V}$$

"off-diagonal long range order"

can define the boson field operator

$$\hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}) = \sum_i \psi_i \hat{a}_i$$

$\hat{a}_i$ is annihilation operator for a particle in ψ_i

$$[\hat{a}_i, \hat{a}_j^\dagger] = \delta_{ij} \quad [\hat{a}_i, \hat{a}_j] = 0$$

we can also write one-body density matrix in terms of $\hat{\Psi}(\vec{r})$

$$\rho^{(1)}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') = \langle \hat{\Psi}^\dagger(\vec{r}) \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}') \rangle$$

then $\langle \hat{a}_j^\dagger \hat{a}_i \rangle = \delta_{ij} n_i$

we can write $\hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}) = \psi_0(\vec{r}) \hat{a}_0 + \sum_{i \neq 0} \psi_i(\vec{r}) \hat{a}_i$

treat $\psi_0 \hat{a}_0$ as a classical field to get
(Bogoliubov ansatz)

$$\hat{\Psi}(\vec{r}) = \Psi_0(\vec{r}) + \delta \hat{\Psi}(\vec{r})$$

↑ excitations
(to be discussed later)

$$\Psi_0(\vec{r}) = \sqrt{N_0} \psi_0$$

↖ "wave fn. of the condensate"

- can be complex -

this classical field ansatz is equivalent to saying $\langle \hat{\Psi}^\dagger \rangle$ is non-zero - "symmetry breaking"

define superfluid velocity in terms of phase gradient of condensate wave fn. ψ_0

$$\psi_0 = |\psi_0| e^{i\phi(\vec{r}, t)}$$

$$\vec{v}_s(\vec{r}, t) \equiv \frac{\hbar}{m} \vec{\nabla} \phi(\vec{r}, t)$$

from this definition

$$\vec{\nabla} \wedge \vec{v}_s = 0 \quad (\text{irrotational flow})$$

$$\oint \vec{v}_s \cdot d\vec{\ell} = n h/m$$

↑
will lead to vortices

but note: $|\psi_0|^2$ is not superfluid fraction.

irrotational flow, and no entropy in ψ_0 (since it is a single quantum state) are basis of Ginzburg-Landau 2-fluid theory, but $\frac{N_0}{V}$ is $\neq \rho_s$!