

## 2.6 Entropy

2<sup>nd</sup> Law of Thermodynamics - Any large system will be found in macrostate with maximum multiplicity (aside from unmeasurably small fluctuations).

=> Multiplicity increases (aside from fluctuations)

If you start in a macrostate away from  $\Omega_{\max}$ , the system evolves until  $\Omega_{\max}$  achieved.

Entropy  $S \equiv k_B \ln \Omega$

Multiplicity increase  $\rightarrow$  Entropy increase

Examples

Einstein Solid  $\Omega(N, g) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} (\bar{g}+1)^{g/N}} \left(\frac{g+N}{\bar{g}}\right)^g \left(\frac{g+N}{N}\right)^N$   
 $g$  = total # of quanta

To see how behaves define  $\bar{g}_i = g/N$  (the average # of quanta in 1 oscillator)

$$\Omega(N, g) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \bar{g}_i (\bar{g}_i+1)^N} \left(\frac{\bar{g}_i+1}{\bar{g}_i}\right)^{\bar{g}_i N} (\bar{g}_i+1)^N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \bar{g}_i (\bar{g}_i+1)^N} \left[\frac{(\bar{g}_i+1)^{\bar{g}_i+1}}{\bar{g}_i^{\bar{g}_i}}\right]^N$$

$$S = k_B \left[ \underbrace{N \ln \left[ (\bar{g}_i+1) \left(1 + \frac{1}{\bar{g}_i}\right)^{\bar{g}_i} \right]}_{\text{large}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \ln (2\pi \bar{g}_i (\bar{g}_i+1)^N)}_{\text{regular}} \right]$$

If  $\bar{g}_i$  is large  $\left(1 + \frac{1}{\bar{g}_i}\right)^{\bar{g}_i} \cong e$  and  $\bar{g}_i+1 \cong \bar{g}_i$

$$S \cong N k_B [\ln(\bar{g}_i) + \ln e] = N k_B [\ln(\bar{g}_i) + 1]$$

Important:  $S$  is proportional to  $N$  in the thermodynamic limit

$S/N \rightarrow$  constant as  $N \rightarrow \infty$

Note  $S$  increases as  $\bar{g}_i$  increases ( $\bar{g}_i$  will increase with temperature) but not quickly!

What about small  $\bar{g}_i$ ?  $\bar{g}_i \ll 1$

$$S/N = k_B \left[ \ln(1 + \bar{g}_i) + \bar{g}_i \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{\bar{g}_i}\right) \right] \approx k_B \left[ \bar{g}_i \left\{ 1 - \ln(\bar{g}_i) \right\} \right]$$

For example  $N = N_A$   $\bar{g}_i = 100$ ,  
 $S = 6 \times 10^{23} \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K} [\ln 100 + 1] = 46 \text{ J/K}$

$N = N_A$   $\bar{g}_i = 0.01$   $S = 6 \times 10^{23} \times 1.38 \times 10^{-23} [0.01 [1 - \ln 0.01]]$   
 $= 0.46 \text{ J/K}$

Suppose you have a composite system made up of A & B

$$\Omega_{\text{TOT}} = \Omega(A) \Omega(B)$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{\text{TOT}} = k_B \ln \Omega_{\text{TOT}} = k_B \ln [\Omega(A) \Omega(B)] = k_B \ln \Omega(A) + k_B \ln \Omega(B) \\ = S_A + S_B$$

Careful look at two Einstein solids in equilibrium

$$N = N_A + N_B \quad \bar{g}_i = \bar{g}/N$$

$$S = k_B \left\{ N \ln \left[ \bar{g}_i \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\bar{g}_i} \right)^{\bar{g}_i} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \ln [2\pi \bar{g}_i (\bar{g}_i + 1) N] \right\}$$

$$S - S_A - S_B = k_B \frac{1}{2} \ln \left[ \frac{N}{2\pi \bar{g}_i (\bar{g}_i + 1) N_A N_B} \right] \quad S \neq S_A + S_B$$

How big is the error? From above  $N = N_A$   $\bar{g}_i = 100$   $S = 46 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}$

Take  $N_A = \frac{1}{2} 6 \times 10^{23}$   $N_B = \frac{1}{2} 6 \times 10^{23}$   $\bar{g}_i = 100$

$$S - S_A - S_B = -32 k_B = -4.4 \times 10^{-22} \text{ J/K} \quad \text{due to approx in calcs}$$

Now let's look at the entropy of an ideal gas

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{h^3} \left[ \left( \frac{4M\pi}{3} \right)^{3/2} \frac{E_i^{3/2} \bar{V}_i e^{5/2}}{h^3} \right]^N \quad E_i = \frac{U}{N} \quad V_i = \frac{V}{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = N k_B \left\{ \ln \left[ \left( \frac{4M\pi}{3} \right)^{3/2} \frac{E_i^{3/2} \bar{V}_i}{h^3} \right] + \frac{5}{2} + \frac{1}{N} \ln N \right\}$$

↗ drop

This is known as the Sackur-Tetrode Equation (discovered 1912 independently by Sackur + Tetrode)

\* Note that I used  $E_i = U/N$  this is only correct for a monatomic gas where  $f=3$

The actual expression should contain an extra  $\frac{3}{2} \ln(\frac{3}{f})$  inside of  $\{ \}$

Example: 1 mole of He at 300K

$$E_i = \frac{3}{2} k_B T = 6.21 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}$$

$$m = 4 \cdot 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = 6.68 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

$$\bar{V}_i = 0.025 \text{ m}^3 / 6.02 \times 10^{23} = 4.15 \times 10^{-26} \text{ m}^3$$

$$S = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \cdot 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} \times \left\{ \ln \left[ \left( 4 \cdot 6.68 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} \cdot \pi / 3 \right)^{3/2} \frac{(6.21 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J})^{3/2} \cdot 4.15 \times 10^{-26} \text{ m}^3}{(6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s})^3} \right] + \frac{5}{2} \right\}$$

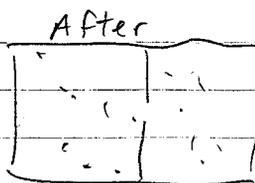
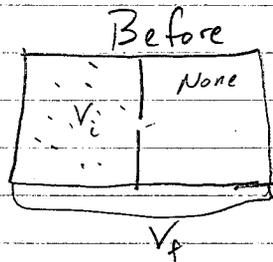
$$= 8.31 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} \left\{ \ln(3.27 \times 10^5) + 2.5 \right\}$$

$$= 8.31 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} \left\{ 12.7 + 2.5 \right\} = 126 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}}$$

Suppose you keep  $U, N$  fixed but  $V$  varies

$$S(N, U, V_f) - S(N, U, V_i) = N k_B \left\{ \ln(\text{constant}) + \ln(V_f) - \ln(\text{constant}) - \ln(V_i) \right\}$$

$$= N k_B \ln(V_f / V_i)$$



$$\Delta S > 0$$

Can the reverse happen?

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Quasistatic isothermal expansion

Chap 1 pg 24  $Q = Nk_B T \ln(V_f/V_i)$

Note  $Q/T = \Delta S \Rightarrow \frac{1}{T} = \frac{\Delta S}{Q}$

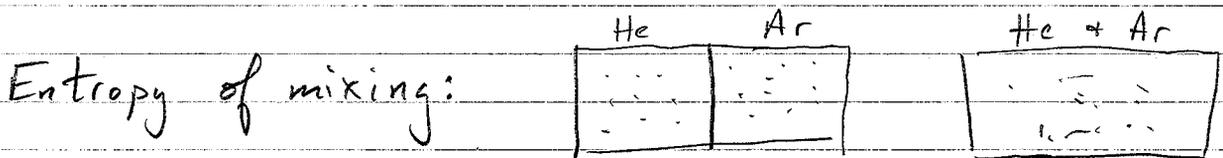
Now let's look at  $(\frac{\partial S}{\partial U})_{N,V}$

$$S = Nk_B \left\{ \frac{3}{2} \ln(U) + \text{constants} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial U} \right)_{N,V} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{Nk_B}{U} \quad \text{but remember } U = \frac{3}{2} Nk_B T$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial U} \right)_{N,V} = \frac{1}{T} \quad \text{!!!! A definition of temperature!!!!}$$

Does this hold for a system not ideal gas??

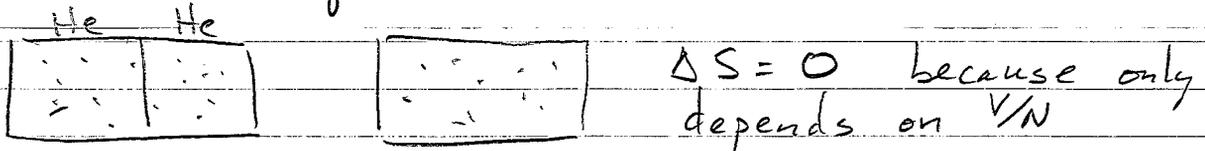


The change in entropy is just  $\Delta S = N_{\text{He}} k_B \ln\left(\frac{V}{V_i(\text{He})}\right) + N_{\text{Ar}} k_B \ln\left(\frac{V}{V_i(\text{Ar})}\right)$

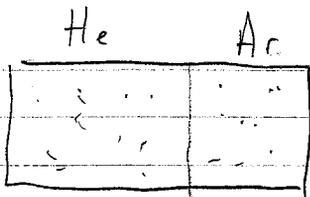
Suppose  $V_i(\text{He}) = V_i(\text{Ar}) = V/2 \Rightarrow \Delta S = (N_{\text{He}} + N_{\text{Ar}}) k_B \ln(2)$

When the original derivation was made for ideal gas, the  $1/N!$  was not included in the derivations because every atom/molecule was thought to be distinguishable.

Gibbs noticed this problem (Gibbs paradox) and noted how to fix



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$$N_{Ar} = x N$$

$$V_i(Ar) = x V$$

$$N_{He} = (1-x) N$$

$$V_i(He) = (1-x) V$$

(must have  $\frac{V}{N}$  same for both otherwise  $P$  or  $T$  is different)

$$\Delta S = N_{He} k_B \ln \left( \frac{V}{V_i(He)} \right) + N_{Ar} k_B \ln \left( \frac{V}{V_i(Ar)} \right) =$$

$$= N k_B \left[ (1-x) \ln \left[ \frac{1}{1-x} \right] + x \ln \left( \frac{1}{x} \right) \right] = -N k_B \left[ (1-x) \ln(1-x) + x \ln x \right]$$

Reversible/  
Irreversible

Suppose you do a process where  $\Delta S > 0$ . Can you exactly undo the process? No because that would give  $\Delta S < 0$ .

If you did a process where  $\Delta S = 0$ , then you can reverse the process.

In the real world, no process has  $\Delta S = 0$ .

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Example: Adiabatic expansion/compression of monatomic gas  $V T^{3/2} = \text{constant}$

$$S = N k_B \left\{ \ln(\text{constants}) + \ln(V U^{3/2}) \right\}$$

$$= N k_B \left\{ \ln(\text{constants}) + \ln(V T^{3/2}) \right\} \Rightarrow \Delta S = 0!$$

$\hookrightarrow$  constant!

Example: Heat flow - remember that flow of heat from hot object to cold object increases multiplicity  $\Rightarrow$  Heat flow always  $\Delta S > 0 \Rightarrow$  Not reversible

$\Delta S$  is always increasing... why did the universe start with low  $S$ ?