

- For this distribution, let us imagine a box divided into  $g_i$  sections and the particles be distributed among these sections.
- The choice that which of the compartment will have the sequence (arrange in particular order) can be made in  $g_i$  ways.
- Once this has been done, the remaining  $(g_i - 1)$  compartments and  $n_i$  particles
- (i.e), total particles  $(n_i + g_i - 1)$  can be arranged in any order
- (i.e) number of ways of doing this will be equal to  $(n_i + g_i - 1)!$
- Thus the total number of ways realize in the distribution will be  $g_i (n_i + g_i - 1)!$  — ①
- The particles are indistinguishable and therefore rearrangement of particle will not give rise to any distinguishable arrangement.



- There are  $n_i!$  permutations (interchange) which correspond to the same configuration hence term indicated by (1) should be divided by  $n_i!$

- Secondly, the distributions which can be derived from one another by mere permutation of the cells among themselves does not produce different states, the term (1) should also be divided by  $g_i!$

∴ we thus obtain the required number of ways as

$$\frac{g_i (n_i + g_i - 1)!}{g_i! \cdot n_i!}$$

(or)  $\frac{(n_i + g_i - 1)!}{n_i! (g_i - 1)!}$

- There will be similar expressions for various other quantum states.
- Therefore, the total number of ways in which  $n_1$  particles can be assigned to the level with the energy  $\epsilon_1$ ,  $n_2$  to  $\epsilon_2$ ... and so on is given by the product of such expressions

expression as given below.

$$G = \frac{(n_1 + g_1 - 1)!}{n_1! (g_1 - 1)!} \cdot \frac{(n_2 + g_2 - 1)!}{n_2! (g_2 - 1)!} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{(n_i + g_i - 1)!}{n_i! (g_i - 1)!}$$

$$= \prod_i \frac{(n_i + g_i - 1)!}{n_i! (g_i - 1)!} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

- According to the postulates of a priori probability of eigen states, we have the probability  $\omega$  of the system for occurring with the specified distribution to the total number of eigen states (i.e)

$$\omega = \prod_i \frac{(n_i + g_i - 1)!}{n_i! (g_i - 1)!} \times \text{Constant} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

- So to obtain the condition of maximum probability we proceed as follows.

$$\log(x) = x \log(x) - x$$

Taking log of eq (3), we have

$$\log \omega = \sum_i [\log (n_i + g_i - 1)! - \log n_i! - \log (g_i - 1)!] + \text{Constant}$$



using the stirling's approximation (eq. (4)) becomes

$$\log \omega = \sum_i \left[ (n_i + g_i - 1) \log (n_i + g_i - 1) - (n_i + g_i - 1) \right. \\ \left. - n_i \log n_i + n_i - (g_i - 1) \log (g_i - 1) \right. \\ \left. + (g_i - 1) \right] + \text{Constant}$$

$$= \sum_i \left[ (n_i + g_i - 1) \log (n_i + g_i - 1) - n_i - g_i + 1 \right. \\ \left. - n_i \log n_i + n_i - (g_i - 1) \log (g_i - 1) \right. \\ \left. + g_i - 1 \right] + \text{Constant}$$

$$= \sum_i \left[ (n_i + g_i - 1) \log (n_i + g_i - 1) - n_i \log n_i \right. \\ \left. - (g_i - 1) \log (g_i - 1) \right] + \text{Constant}$$

As compared to  $n_i$  &  $g_i$ , the value 1 is very small, so we can neglect 1.

$$\log \omega = \sum_i \left[ (n_i + g_i) \log (n_i + g_i) - n_i \log n_i \right. \\ \left. - g_i \log g_i \right] + \text{Constant} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

$\delta$  is an partial differentiation symbol.

Differentiate eq (5) with respect to  $n_i$  and  $g_i$  as const.

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \log \omega &= \sum_i \delta \left[ (n_i + g_i) \log (n_i + g_i) - n_i \log n_i - g_i \log g_i \right] \\ &= \sum_i \left[ \delta n_i \log (n_i + g_i) + \frac{n_i + g_i}{n_i + g_i} \delta n_i - \delta n_i \log n_i - \frac{n_i}{n_i} \delta n_i \right] \\ &= \sum_i \left[ \delta n_i \log (n_i + g_i) - \delta n_i \log n_i \right] \\ &= - \sum_i \left[ \log \frac{n_i}{(n_i + g_i)} \right] \delta n_i \quad \text{--- (6)} \end{aligned}$$

The condition of maximum probability gives

$$\sum_i \left[ \log \frac{n_i}{(n_i + g_i)} \right] \delta n_i = 0 \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

the auxiliary condition to be satisfied

$$\delta n = \sum \delta n_i = 0 \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

$$\delta E = \sum \epsilon_i \delta n_i = 0 \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

Applying the Lagrange method of undetermined multipliers (i.e) multiplying eq (8) by  $\alpha$  and eq (9) by  $\beta$  and adding the resulting expressions to eq (7) we get,



$$\sum_i \left[ \log \frac{n_i}{(n_i + g_i)} + \alpha + \beta \epsilon_i \right] \delta n_i = 0 \quad (10)$$

As the variations  $\delta n_i$  are independent of each other

$$\log \frac{n_i}{(n_i + g_i)} + \alpha + \beta \epsilon_i = 0$$

$$1 + \frac{g_i}{n_i} = e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_i}$$

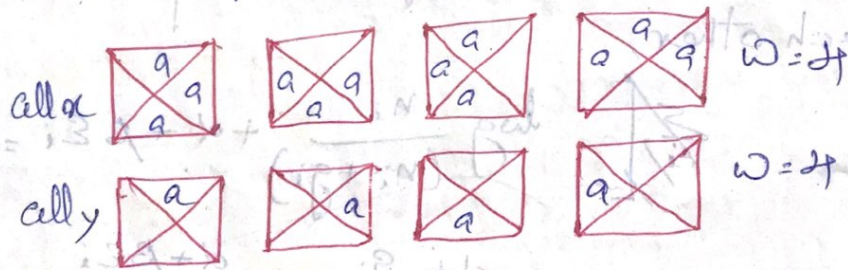
$$\frac{g_i}{n_i} = e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_i} - 1$$

$$n_i = \frac{g_i}{e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_i} - 1}$$

This represents the most probable distribution of the elements among various energy levels for a system obeying Bose-Einstein statistics.

## Fermi-Dirac Statistics

- In Maxwell-Boltzmann Statistics (or) Bose-Einstein Statistics, there is no restriction on the particles to be present in any energy state.
- But in case of Fermi-Dirac Statistics, applied to particles like electrons and obeying Pauli exclusion principle (no two electrons in an atom have same energy state), only one particle can occupy a single energy state.
- The distribution of four particles (a, b, c and d) among two cells  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$  each having 4 energy states.
- Such that there are three particles in cell  $\alpha$  while one particle in cell  $\gamma$  is shown in fig.



In this case there will be  $4 \times 4 = 16$  possible distributions.

- we consider a general case.
- This statistics is applied to indistinguishable particles having half integral spin.
- Though the particles are indistinguishable, the restriction imposed <sup>demanding cons forces</sup> is that only one particle will be occupied by a single cell.



The situation of distribution is as follows.

Energy level  $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 \dots \epsilon_i \dots \epsilon_k$

Degeneracies  $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_i \dots g_k$

Occupation no.  $n_1, n_2 \dots n_i \dots n_k$

• So in case of fermi dirac statistics, we have the problem of assigning  $n_i$  indistinguishable particles to  $g_i$  distinguishable levels under the restriction that only one particle will be occupied by a single level.  $g \geq n_i$

• Obviously,  $g_i$  must be greater than (or) equal to  $n_i$ , because there must be at least one elementary wavefunction available for every element in the group.

Thus in Fermi-Dirac statistics, the conditions are,

①. The particles are indistinguishable from each other (i.e.) there is no restriction by different ways in which  $n_i$  particles are chosen.

②. Each sublevel (or) cell may contain 0 (or) one particle. Obviously  $g_i$  must be greater than (or) equal to  $n_i$ .

③. The sum of energies of all the particles in the different quantum groups, taken together, constitutes the total energy of the system.



• Now the distribution of  $n_i$  particles among the  $g_i$  states can be done in the following way.

- ①. we easily find that the first particle can be put in anyone of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  level in  $g_i$  ways.
- ②. According to Pauli exclusion principle no more particles can be assigned to that filled state.
- ③. Thus we are left with  $(g_i - 1)$  states in  $(g_i - 1)$  ways, and so on. (the  $1^{\text{st}}$  particles can be distributed in  $g_i$  different ways. By the second particle can be distributed in  $(g_i - 1)$  different ways and the process continues. Thus the numbers of ways in which  $n_i$  particles can be assigned to  $g_i$  states is

$$g_i (g_i - 1) (g_i - 2) \dots (g_i - n_i + 1)$$

$$= \frac{g_i!}{(g_i - n_i)!} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

interchange

The permutations among identical particles do not give distinct distribution, and hence such permutation must be excluded from eq (1) which can be done on dividing it by  $n_i!$ .

Thus we have the required number as

$$= \frac{g_i!}{n_i! (g_i - n_i)!} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

The total number of eigen states for whole number system is given by

$$G = \prod_i \frac{g_i!}{n_i! (g_i - n_i)!} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

The probability of the specific state being proportional to  $\Omega$  will be

$$\omega = \prod_i \frac{g_i^{n_i}}{n_i! (g_i - n_i)!} \times \text{constant} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

To obtain the condition of maximum probability, we proceed as follows:

Taking log of eq (4), we have

$$\log \omega = \sum_i \left[ \log g_i^{n_i} - \log n_i! - \log (g_i - n_i)! \right] + \text{constant} \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

using Stirling approximation, eq (5) reduce to

$$\log \omega = \sum_i \left[ n_i \log g_i - n_i \log n_i + \right.$$

$$\left. (n_i - g_i) \log (g_i - n_i) + g_i \log g_i - n_i \log n_i \right] + \text{constant} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Differentiating eq (6) w.r. to  $n_i$ , we get

$$\delta \log \omega = \sum_i \left\{ \delta (n_i - g_i) \log (g_i - n_i) + \right.$$

$$\left. g_i \log g_i - n_i \log n_i \right\}$$

$$= \sum_i \left\{ \delta n_i \log (g_i - n_i) + \frac{n_i - g_i}{g_i - n_i} (-\delta n_i) - \delta n_i \log n_i - \frac{n_i}{n_i} \delta n_i \right\}$$

$$= \sum_i \left\{ \log n_i - \log (g_i - n_i) \right\} \delta n_i$$

$$= - \sum_i \left\{ \log \frac{n_i}{(g_i - n_i)} \right\} \delta n_i \quad \text{--- (7)}$$



The condition of maximum probability gives

$$\sum_i \left\{ \log \frac{n_i}{(g_i - n_i)} \right\} \delta n_i = 0 \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

Introducing the auxiliary conditions.

$$\delta n = \sum \delta n_i = 0 \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

$$\delta E = \sum \epsilon_i \delta n_i = 0 \quad \text{--- (10)}$$

and applying the Lagrange method of undetermined multipliers (i.e) multiplying eq (9) by  $\alpha$  and eq (10) by  $\beta$  and adding the resulting expression to equation (8), we have.

$$\sum_i \left[ \log \frac{n_i}{(g_i - n_i)} + \alpha + \beta \epsilon_i \right] \delta n_i = 0 \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

Since  $\delta n_i$ 's can be treated as arbitrary

$$\log \frac{n_i}{(g_i - n_i)} + \alpha + \beta \epsilon_i = 0$$

$$\frac{g_i}{n_i} = 1 = e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_i}$$

$$n_i = \frac{g_i}{e^{\alpha + \beta \epsilon_i} + 1} \quad \text{--- (12)}$$

This is the most probable distribution according to Fermi-Dirac statistics.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \log w = \sum_i \log g_i! - \log n_i - \log (g_i - n_i)! + \text{const.}$$

Rearranging the terms:

$$= \sum -\log (g_i - n_i)! + \log g_i - \log n_i + \text{const.}$$

By applying Stirling's approximation:

$$= -(g_i - n_i) \log (g_i - n_i) + g_i - n_i + g_i \log g_i - g_i - n_i \log n_i + n_i + \text{const.}$$

$$= (n_i - g_i) \log (g_i - n_i) + g_i - n_i + g_i \log g_i - g_i - n_i \log n_i + n_i + \text{const.}$$

$$= (n_i - g_i) \log (g_i - n_i) + g_i \log g_i - n_i \log n_i + \text{const.}$$

$$= -n_i \log n_i + \text{const.}$$