

$$dp_i = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2\pi m k T} x^{-1/2} dx.$$

Then,  $Q_1 = \frac{4\pi V}{h^3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (2\pi m k T)^{3/2} \int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{1/2} dx$

$$= \frac{4\pi V}{h^3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (2\pi m k T)^{3/2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$= V \left( \frac{2\pi m k T}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

Substituting this value in (5), the partition function for an ideal gas is

$$Q_N = \frac{1}{N!} \left[ V \left( \frac{2\pi m k T}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \right]^N \quad \text{--- (7)}$$

Then the free energy of an ideal gas is,

$$A = -RT \log Q_N$$

$$= -NRT \log \left[ V \left( \frac{2\pi m k T}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \right] + RT \log N!$$

Using Sterling formula,

$$\log N! = N \log N - N.$$

we get,

$$A = -NRT \log \left[ V \left( \frac{2\pi m k T}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \right] + NRT \log N - NRT.$$

$$= -NRT \log \left[ \frac{V}{N} \left( \frac{2\pi m k T}{h^2} \right)^{3/2} \right] - NRT.$$

$$= -NRT \log \left( \frac{V}{N} \right) - \frac{3}{2} NRT \log(kT) - \frac{3}{2} NRT \log \left( \frac{2\pi m}{h^2} \right) - NRT \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

Then the pressure of the gas is,

$$P = - \left( \frac{\partial A}{\partial V} \right) = \frac{NRT}{V}$$

$$\text{or, } PV = NRT \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

which is the equation of state for an ideal gas.

The entropy of an ideal gas is,

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= -\left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial T}\right) \\
 &= Nk \log\left(\frac{V}{N}\right) + \frac{3}{2} Nk \log(RT) + \frac{3}{2} Nk + \frac{3}{2} Nk \log\left(\frac{2\pi m}{h^2}\right) + Nk \\
 &= Nk \log\left[\frac{V}{N} \left(\frac{2\pi m k T}{h^2}\right)^{3/2}\right] + \frac{5}{2} Nk
 \end{aligned}$$

or,  $\frac{S}{k} = N \log\left[\frac{V}{N} \left(\frac{2\pi m k T}{h^2}\right)^{3/2}\right] + \frac{5}{2} N$  — (10)  
which is known as the Sackur-Tetrode equation.

The energy is,

$$\begin{aligned}
 U &= A + ST \\
 &= \frac{3}{2} NkT \quad \text{--- (11)}
 \end{aligned}$$

and finally the specific heat at constant volume is,

$$C_v = \left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial T}\right)_V = \frac{3}{2} Nk$$

which is independent of temperature.

The pressure of an ideal gas is  $P = -\left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial V}\right)_{NT} = \frac{NkT}{V}$

$$\text{or, } \underline{P \cdot V = NkT}$$

Stat.

Ensemble → Phase space of particle = Configuration space + momentum space.

Volume element in phase space =  $dq dp$

$$= dq_1 dp_1, dq_2 dp_2, \dots, dq_n dp_n$$

$$\langle f \rangle = \bar{f} = \int \psi^* f \psi dq = \int f p dq, \quad \langle f \rangle = \int f p dq dp$$