

Thermodynamics of the Bose condensate

For $T < T_0$, $\mu(T) = 0$, whence $b(\mathcal{E}) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta\mathcal{E}} - 1}$.

There is no energy in the “macroscopically populated” ground level ($\epsilon_1 = 0$), so

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \int_{0+}^{\infty} G(\mathcal{E})b(\mathcal{E})\mathcal{E} d\mathcal{E} \\ &= V \left[\frac{m^3}{2\pi^4\hbar^6} \right]^{1/2} \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{\mathcal{E}} \frac{1}{e^{\beta\mathcal{E}} - 1} \mathcal{E} d\mathcal{E} \quad [\dots \text{use the substitution } x = \beta\mathcal{E}, \text{ or } \mathcal{E} = k_B T x \dots] \\ &= V \left[\frac{m^3}{2\pi^4\hbar^6} \right]^{1/2} (k_B T)^{5/2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{3/2}}{e^x - 1} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Even without evaluating the integral, we can define

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^{3/2}}{e^x - 1} dx$$

and know that this I is a dimensionless *number*. It isn't a function of T , or V , or anything else. Thus we can say

$$\begin{aligned} E &= (k_B T)^{5/2} V \left[\frac{m^3}{2\pi^4\hbar^6} \right]^{1/2} I \\ C_V &= \left. \frac{\partial E}{\partial T} \right)_V \\ &= \frac{5}{2} k_B^{5/2} T^{3/2} V \left[\frac{m^3}{2\pi^4\hbar^6} \right]^{1/2} I \\ &= \frac{5}{2} \frac{E}{T} \\ S &= \int_0^T \frac{C_V}{T} dT \\ &= \frac{5}{2} k_B^{5/2} \left\{ \int_0^T \frac{T^{3/2}}{T} dT \right\} V \left[\frac{m^3}{2\pi^4\hbar^6} \right]^{1/2} I \\ &= \frac{5}{2} k_B^{5/2} \left\{ \frac{1}{3/2} T^{3/2} \right\} V \left[\frac{m^3}{2\pi^4\hbar^6} \right]^{1/2} I \\ &= \frac{5}{3} k_B^{5/2} T^{3/2} V \left[\frac{m^3}{2\pi^4\hbar^6} \right]^{1/2} I \\ &= \frac{5}{3} \frac{E}{T}. \end{aligned}$$