Lecture 5 Thermodynamics: equation of state (part I)



Assumptions

Particles are:

- Not interacting (ideal gas)
- Relativistic: $\vec{E} = \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}$

Some results from quantum statistical physics and thermodynamics

Probability density for occupation of state:

$$N(E) = rac{g}{(2\pi)^3} rac{1}{e^{(E-\mu)/T} \pm 1}$$

+ for fermions (no two particles of the same type can be in the same state, half-integral spin)

- for bosons (arbitrarily many bosons can be in the same state, integral spin)

μ chemical potential, g degeneracy

[Reference: Griffiths "Introduction to quantum physics"]

Number density: $n = \int N(E) d^3p$ $E = \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}$

Energy density: $\epsilon = \int N(E) E d^3 p$

Pressure: $p = \int N(E) \frac{p^2}{3E} d^3 p$

[Reference: Ollitrault https://arxiv.org/pdf/0708.2433.pdf]

Entropy density: $s = (\epsilon + p - \mu n)/T$

[First law]

What comes next:

- Massless bosons: m = 0 and $\mu = 0$
- ▶ Massless fermions: 1) m = 0 and $\mu = 0$, 2) m = 0 and $\mu \neq 0$
- Massive mesons with $\mu = 0$
- Massive baryons with $\mu \neq 0$
- Boltzmann (= non quantum) limit



Massless bosons

Suppose m = 0 and $\mu = 0$ Use $\int dz \frac{z^{x-1}}{e^{x}-1} = \zeta(x)\Gamma(x)$ where $\zeta(x) = \sum 1/n^x$ Riemann zeta function, $\zeta(2) = \pi^2/6 \sim 1.645$, $\zeta(3) \sim 1.202$, $\zeta(4) = \pi^4/90 \sim 1.082$ $\Gamma(x) = \int_0^\infty dt \, e^{-t} t^{x-1}$ Euler gamma function, $\Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$ for positive integer.

$$n_{B} = \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} T^{3} \int_{0}^{\infty} dz \frac{z^{2}}{e^{z} - 1} = \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} T^{3} \Gamma(3) \zeta(3) = \frac{g}{\pi^{2}} 1.202 T^{3}$$

$$\epsilon_{B} = \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} T^{4} \int_{0}^{\infty} dz \frac{z^{3}}{e^{z} - 1} = \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} T^{4} \Gamma(4) \zeta(4) = \frac{g\pi^{2}}{30} T^{4}$$

$$p_{B} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} T^{4} \int_{0}^{\infty} dz \frac{z^{3}}{e^{z} - 1} = \epsilon_{B}/3$$

$$s_{B} = (4/3)\epsilon_{B}/T$$

This can be applied to gluons with $g_g = 16$ (to account for 8 color states and 2 spin polarization states) and massless pions with $g_{\pi} = 3$ (to account for π^+, π^0, π^-)

Massless pions at $\mu=$ 0 is not a very good approximation since $m_{\pi}=$ 140 MeV $\sim T_{deconf}$

Massless fermions

Suppose
$$m = 0$$
 and $\mu = 0$
Use $\int dz \frac{z^{x-1}}{e^{z+1}} = (1 - 2^{1-x})\zeta(x)\Gamma(x)$

$$n_{F} = n_{\bar{F}} = \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} T^{3} \int_{0}^{\infty} dz \frac{z^{2}}{e^{z} + 1} = \frac{g}{\pi^{2}} 0.9 T^{3}$$

$$\epsilon_{F} = \epsilon_{\bar{F}} = \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} T^{4} \int_{0}^{\infty} dz \frac{z^{3}}{e^{z} + 1} = \frac{g7\pi^{2}}{240} T^{4}$$

$$p_{F} = p_{\bar{F}} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} T^{4} \int_{0}^{\infty} dz \frac{z^{3}}{e^{z} - 1} = \epsilon_{F}/3$$

$$s_{F} = s_{\bar{F}} = (4/3)\epsilon_{F}/T$$

This can be applied to quarks with $g = 12N_f$ with N_f number of massless quarks flavors (to account for quarks and antiquaks, 3 color states and 2 spin states)

Summary for m = 0 and $\mu = 0$: $n_F = (3/4)n_B \propto T^3$, ϵ_F , $p_F = (7/8)\epsilon_B$, $p_B \propto T^4$, $s_B = (7/8)s_B \propto T^3$, all $\propto g$ Exercise:

Compute the energy density, pressure and entropy for the quark-gluon plasma when $\mu = 0$ and the temperature $T >> m_u, m_d, m_s$

For very high temperatures, the QGP can be treated as ideal (no interactions), so we use the previous results. (Close to the crossover, this cannot be done.)

Define

 $g_{QGP} = g_g + (7/8)g_q = 2 \times 8$ (gluon colors × polarization states) + (7/8)2 × 3 × 2 × N_f (quarks and antiquarks × color × spin × flavor) =37 for $N_f = 2$ and 47.5 for $N_f = 3$.

$$\epsilon_{QGP} = g_{QGP} rac{\pi^2}{30} T^4$$
 $p_{QGP} = g_{QGP} rac{\pi^2}{90} T^4$
 $s_{QGP} = g_{QGP} rac{4\pi^2}{90} T^3$

Massless fermions/cont'd

Suppose m = 0 and µ ≠ 0 There is an additional trick (combined integrals give analytical formula)

$$\begin{split} \epsilon_{F} + \epsilon_{\bar{F}} &= \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} \left(\int_{0}^{\infty} dp \frac{p^{3}}{e^{(p-\mu)/T} + 1} + \int_{0}^{\infty} dp \frac{p^{3}}{e^{(p+\mu)/T} + 1} \right) \\ &= \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} T^{4} \left(\int_{0}^{\infty} dx \frac{x^{3}}{e^{x-y} + 1} + \int_{0}^{\infty} dx \frac{x^{3}}{e^{x+y} + 1} \right) \\ &= \frac{g}{2\pi^{2}} T^{4} \left(\int_{0}^{\infty} dX \frac{(X+y)^{3}}{e^{X} + 1} + \int_{0}^{\infty} dX \frac{(X-y)^{3}}{e^{X} + 1} + \int_{0}^{y} dX (y-X)^{3} \right) \\ &= g \left(\frac{7\pi^{2}}{120} T^{4} + \frac{\mu^{2}}{4} T^{2} + \frac{\mu^{4}}{8\pi^{2}} \right) \\ p_{F} + p_{\bar{F}} &= (\epsilon_{F} + \epsilon_{\bar{F}})/3 \\ n_{F} - n_{\bar{F}} &= g \left(\frac{\mu}{6} T^{2} + \frac{\mu^{3}}{6\pi^{2}} \right) \\ s_{F} + s_{\bar{F}} &= [\epsilon_{F} + \epsilon_{\bar{F}} + p_{F} + p_{\bar{F}} - \mu(n_{F} - n_{\bar{F}})]/T \end{split}$$

Exercise:

Compute the energy density, pressure, entropy, baryon density for the quark-gluon plasma with massless u and d quarks at T = 0

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{QGP} &= \frac{3}{2\pi^2} \mu_q^4 \\ p_{QGP} &= \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \mu_q^4 \\ n_{QGP} &= \frac{2}{\pi^2} \mu_q^3 \\ s_{QGP} &= 0 \ (\textit{from } dp = \textit{sdT} + \textit{nd}\mu) \end{aligned}$$

Watch out to compute g without double counting

Hadrons

Particles made of quarks are hadrons. $q\bar{q}$ is a meson and behaves as a boson qqq or $\bar{q}\bar{q}\bar{q}$ is a baryon and behaves as a fermion (Exotic hadrons made of more than three quarks have also been discovered)



Massive mesons (bosons)

Use integer-order modified Bessel functions of the second kind: $K_n(x) = \frac{2^n n!}{(2n)!} x^{-n} \int_x^\infty dt (t^2 - x^2)^{n-1/2} e^{-t}$ as well as $\frac{1}{e^{y}-1} = \sum_{l=0}^\infty e^{-(l+1)y}$. Introduce $y = \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}/T$ and t = (n+1)y

$$p_{mes} = \frac{g_{mes}}{6\pi^2} \int dp \frac{p}{E} \frac{p^2}{e^{E/T} - 1}$$

$$= \frac{g_{mes}}{6\pi^2} T^4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{m/T}^{\infty} dy \left(y^2 - \frac{m^2}{T^2}\right)^{3/2} e^{-(n+1)y}$$

$$= \frac{g_{mes}m^2T^2}{2\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} K_2(\frac{nm}{T})$$

$$\epsilon_{mes} = \dots = 3p_{mes} + \frac{g_{mes}m^3T}{2\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} K_1(\frac{nm}{T})$$

$$s_{mes} = \frac{3p_{mes}}{T} + \frac{g_{mes}m^3}{2\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} K_1(\frac{nm}{T})$$

$$n_{mes} = \frac{g_{mes}}{2\pi^2} m^2 T \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} K_2(\frac{nm}{T})$$

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Use $\frac{1}{e^{(E\mp\mu)/T}+1} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (-1)^l e^{-(l+1)E/T} e^{\pm (l+1)\mu/T}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{bar} + \rho_{\bar{bar}} &= \frac{g_{bar} m^2 T^2}{2\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n^2} K_2(\frac{nm}{T}) \left[e^{n\mu/T} + e^{-n\mu/T} \right] \\ \epsilon_{bar} + \epsilon_{\bar{bar}} &= 3(\rho_{bar} + \rho_{\bar{bar}}) + \frac{g_{bar} m^3 T}{2\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n} K_1(\frac{nm}{T}) \left[e^{n\mu/T} + e^{-n\mu/T} \right] \\ n_{bar} - n_{\bar{bar}} &= \frac{g_{bar} m^2 T}{2\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n} K_2(\frac{nm}{T}) \left[e^{n\mu/T} - e^{-n\mu/T} \right] \\ s_{bar} + s_{\bar{bar}} &= \frac{3(\rho_{bar} + \rho_{\bar{bar}})}{T} + \frac{g_{bar} m^3}{2\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{n} K_1(\frac{nm}{T}) \left[e^{n\mu/T} + e^{-n\mu/T} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Boltzmann Limit

For $x \longrightarrow \infty$, $K_n(x) \sim \sqrt{\pi/2} e^{-x} / \sqrt{x}$. It is often the case that $m - \mu >> T$, so:

$$\begin{split} p_{mes} &\longrightarrow \frac{g_{mes}m^2T^2}{2\pi^2}K_2(\frac{m}{T}) \\ p_{bar} + p_{\bar{bar}} &\longrightarrow \frac{g_{bar}m^2T^2}{2\pi^2}K_2(\frac{m}{T})\left[e^{\mu/T} + e^{-\mu/T}\right] \\ &\epsilon_{mes} &\longrightarrow 3p_{mes} + \frac{g_{mes}m^3T}{2\pi^2}K_1(\frac{m}{T}) \\ &\epsilon_{bar} + \epsilon_{\bar{bar}} &\longrightarrow 3(p_{bar} + p_{\bar{bar}}) + \frac{g_{bar}m^3T}{2\pi^2}K_1(\frac{m}{T})\left[e^{\mu/T} + e^{-\mu/T}\right] \\ &n_{mes} &\longrightarrow \frac{g_{mes}}{2\pi^2}m^2TK_2(\frac{m}{T}) \\ &n_{bar} - n_{\bar{bar}} &\longrightarrow \frac{g_{bar}m^2T}{2\pi^2}K_2(\frac{m}{T})\left[e^{\mu/T} - e^{-\mu/T}\right] \\ &s_{mes} &\longrightarrow \frac{3p_{mes}}{T} + \frac{g_{mes}m^3}{2\pi^2}K_1(\frac{m}{T}) \\ &s_{bar} + s_{\bar{bar}} &\longrightarrow \frac{3(p_{bar} + p_{\bar{bar}})}{T} + \frac{g_{bar}m^3}{2\pi^2}K_1(\frac{m}{T})\left[e^{\mu/T} + e^{-\mu/T}\right] \end{split}$$

Exercise:

Suppose a hadronic gas consists of pions and nucleons at $\mu = 0$ and T = 130 MeV. Write its pressure, energy density, entropy, baryon density.

We must account for $\pi^{+,0,-}$, p, \bar{p} , n, \bar{n}

Only the pion is light and must be treated as a boson, the others can be treated in the Boltzmann limit. $g_{\pi} = 3$ and $g_N = 2 \times 4$

$$p = \frac{3m_{\pi}^2 T^2}{2\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} K_2(\frac{nm_{\pi}}{T}) + \frac{8m^2 T^2}{2\pi^2} K_2(\frac{m_N}{T})$$

 $\epsilon = 3p$

 $n_{bar} - n_{\bar{bar}} = 0$ $s = \frac{3}{T} \times \frac{3m_{\pi}^2 T^2}{2\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} K_2(\frac{nm_{\pi}}{T}) + \frac{3m^3}{2\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} K_1(\frac{nm}{T})$ $+ \frac{3}{T} \times \frac{8m^2 T^2}{2\pi^2} K_2(\frac{m_N}{T}) + \frac{8m^3}{2\pi^2} K_1(\frac{m}{T})$

Challenge



Write the expressions for the energy density, pressure, baryon density, entropy density, for a gas of quarks (two massless flavors, one massive) and gluons at $T \neq 0$ and $\mu \neq 0$. Assume an equal number of quarks *s* and \bar{s} (so you do need to introduce another chemical potential).

Homework

a) Compute the energy density and pressure in *GeV* fm^{-3} , the baryon density in fm^{-3} , entropy density in *GeV*³, for a gas of quarks (two massless flavors) and gluons at T = 200 MeV and $\mu = 0$.

b) Write the expressions for the energy density, pressure, baryon density, entropy density, for a gas of quarks (three massless flavors) and gluons at $T \neq 0$ and $\mu = 0$.

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