



UNIVERSITY OF THE PUNJAB

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Paper: Statistical Mechanics

Course Code: PHY-401

Time: 3 Hrs. Marks: 60

Q.1. Give to the point answer / short description of each question. (6x5=30)

- Give physical interpretation of Liouville's theorem.
- State the Stephen Boltzmann law and show that total energy of photons gas per unit volume is directly proportional to fourth power of absolute temperature.
- Show that rotational degree of freedom is active on 10K.
- What is meant by the term ENSEMBLE? Differentiate between canonical and grand canonical ensemble.
- Define fermions and bosons. Differentiate between Fermi Dirac statistics and Bose Einstein statistics.
- The entropy of the microcanonical ensemble is given by the relation

$$\sigma = N \log [V (4/3 \pi M)^{3/2} (U/N)^{3/2}] + 3N/2.$$

By using this relation, explain what is Gibb's paradox? How can we resolve it?

Q.2. Answer the following questions.

- What is Bose-Einstein condensation? Under what condition it is formed? Give examples of this state of matter. (4+3+3)
- What is grand canonical ensemble? Derive an expression for the probability of the phase points in the grand canonical ensemble.
 - Draw the graph of Fermi-Dirac distribution function and explain its behavior at low temperature and at high temperature. (6+4)
- Derive an expression of Maxwell velocity distribution function. Also derive the expressions for
 - Average Velocity
 - Most Probable Velocity. (6+2+2)