

Note: My answer for part c) isn't necessarily correct, done (correct answer though)
 For an isolated system, (it will still be approx. distributed as Boltzmann factor), entropy is maximized
 For a system in ^{eq.} contact with a heat reservoir: Boltzmann distributed, but total entropy is maximized
 • for just the system of interest, $F = \bar{E} - TS$ is minimized
 (for chemical reaction equilibrium, these aren't the same)

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a. 2 Krypton atoms

Note: Partition function doesn't seem like a good approach to just 2 atoms, as there is no heat reservoir, and we can't use a mean energy \bar{E} or temperature T to approximate it well

$$Z = \sum_i e^{-\beta E_i} \rightarrow \int \frac{d^3\vec{r}_1 d^3\vec{p}_1}{h_0^3} \frac{d^3\vec{r}_2 d^3\vec{p}_2}{h_0^3} e^{-\beta E}$$

$$E = \frac{p_1^2}{2m} + \frac{p_2^2}{2m} + U(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2)$$

$$U(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) = U(r_1 - r_2)$$

ideal case: $U=0$

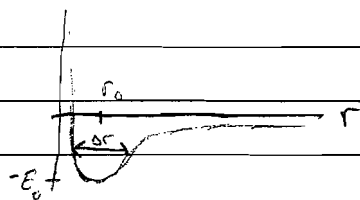
$$Z_2^{id} = \frac{1}{h_0^6} \int d^3\vec{r}_1 d^3\vec{r}_2 \int d^3\vec{p}_1 d^3\vec{p}_2 e^{-\beta p_1^2/2m} e^{-\beta p_2^2/2m}$$

$$Z_2^{id} = \frac{V^2}{h_0^6} \int d^3\vec{p}_1 d^3\vec{p}_2 e^{-\frac{\beta}{2m}(p_1^2 + p_2^2)}$$

$$Z_2 = \frac{1}{V^2} \cdot \frac{V^2}{h_0^6} \int d^3\vec{p}_1 d^3\vec{p}_2 e^{-\frac{\beta}{2m}(p_1^2 + p_2^2)} \int d^3\vec{r}_1 d^3\vec{r}_2 e^{-\beta U}$$

$$Z_2 = Z_2^{id} \frac{1}{V^2} \int e^{-\beta U} d^3\vec{r}_1 d^3\vec{r}_2$$

$$U(r) = U(r_1 - r_2):$$



U is 0 except in a small region around U_0

$\rightarrow e^{-\beta U}$ is 1 except in a small region around r_0 , and as $r \rightarrow \infty$, U gets very large, so $e^{-\beta U}$ gets very small, and this contributes negligibly to the integral. The small region Δr around r_0 is small compared to the volume,

$$\text{so } \int e^{-\beta U} d^3\vec{r}_1 d^3\vec{r}_2 \approx V^2 \int_{\text{around } r=r_0} e^{-\beta U} d^3\vec{r}_1 d^3\vec{r}_2$$

$$\int_{\text{around } r_0} e^{-\beta U(r_1 - r_2)} d^3\vec{r}_1 d^3\vec{r}_2 \quad \text{change variables from } (\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) \rightarrow (\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2, \vec{r}_2) \quad |J| = 1$$

$$= V \int_{\substack{\text{around} \\ r=r_0}} d^3(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) e^{-\beta U(r_1 - r_2)} \quad \text{let } r = r_1 - r_2$$

$$= 4\pi V \int_{\substack{\text{around} \\ r=r_0}} d^3r r^2 e^{-\beta U(r)}$$

approximate $\int_{\substack{\text{around} \\ r=r_0}} d^3r r^2 e^{-\beta U(r)}$ as constant over the width Δr

$$\rightarrow \sim 4\pi V r_0^2 e^{-\beta(-E_0)} \Delta r$$

$$Z_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} Z_2^{\text{id}} \left[V^2 + 4\pi V r_0^2 \Delta r e^{\beta E_0} \right]$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{4\pi r_0^2 \Delta r e^{\beta E_0}}{V} \right) Z_2^{\text{id}} \Rightarrow Z_2 = \left(1 + \frac{K}{V} \right) Z_2^{\text{id}}$$

$$K \approx 4\pi r_0^2 \Delta r e^{\beta E_0}$$

proportional to the probability ($e^{\beta E_0}$) that two atoms form a molecule.

b_0 N Kr atoms: M molecules, $N \rightarrow 2M$ free atoms

(The statement of this problem is different than in part a. There, we didn't assume that the two atoms were or weren't in a molecule. Here, we assume that $2M$ of the atoms do form molecules, so the sum for the partition function is different.)

$$Z = \frac{\int d^3\vec{r}_1 \dots d^3\vec{r}_N \cdot d^3\vec{p}_1 \dots d^3\vec{p}_N e^{-\beta U} e^{-\beta \sum (p_i^2/2m)}}{h_0^{3N}}$$

$= d(M, N)$ the # of ways to make M molecules from N atoms, multiplied by a particular choice:

$$= d(M, N) \cdot \frac{1}{V^N} \cdot Z_N^{\text{id}} \int d^3\vec{r}_1 \dots d^3\vec{r}_N e^{-\beta U}$$

choice: 1,2 interacting, 3 \leftrightarrow 4, ... $2M-1 \leftrightarrow 2M$
the rest of the atoms are free

$$Z = d(M, N) \cdot \frac{1}{V^N} Z_N^{id} \cdot V^{N-2M} \int d^3\vec{r}_1 \dots d^3\vec{r}_{2M} e^{-\beta U}$$

assume each of the M molecules interacts pairwise only;

e.g. the integral splits up into M pieces, each equal

$$\int d^3\vec{r}_1 d^3\vec{r}_2 e^{-\beta U(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2)} = KV$$

(In part a, the integral came to $V^c + KV$, but the V^c part came from the possibility of the atoms not forming molecules, which we are disregarding here.)

M such integrals $\rightarrow (KV)^M$

$$Z_{N,M} = d(M, N) \left(\frac{K}{V}\right)^M Z_N^{id} \quad \left(Z_N^{id} = \frac{Z_1^N}{N!}\right)$$

$d(M, N)$: choose M groups of 2 atoms, but in each of the M molecules or groups, the order doesn't matter, and also the order of the molecules doesn't matter.

$$\begin{aligned} & \binom{N}{2} \cdot \binom{N-2}{2} \cdot \binom{N-4}{2} \cdot \dots \cdot \binom{N+2-2M}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{M!} \\ & \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \\ & \text{first molecule} \quad \text{2nd} \quad \quad \quad \text{M+th molecule} \quad \text{order of molecules} \\ & \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \text{doesn't matter} \\ & = \frac{1}{M!} \cdot \frac{N!}{2(N-2)!} \cdot \frac{(N-2)!}{2(N-4)!} \cdot \frac{(N-4)!}{2(N-6)!} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{(N+2-2M)!}{2 \cdot (N-2M)!} \\ & = \frac{1}{M!} \frac{N!}{2^M (N-2M)!} \end{aligned}$$

$$c. c_{Kr_2} = K [c_{Kr}]^2 \quad \text{equilibrium condition}$$

in equilibrium, the entropy is maximized

$$\frac{S}{k} = \ln Z + \beta \bar{E} \quad \bar{E} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \ln Z$$

$$\ln Z = \ln d + M \ln \frac{K}{V} + \ln Z_N^{id}$$

$$\bar{E} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \ln Z = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \ln Z_N^{id} = \bar{E}_N^{id} \quad (\text{doesn't depend on } M)$$

maximize S wrt. M , the number of molecules:

$$\frac{\partial (S/k)}{\partial M} = \frac{\partial}{\partial M} \ln d + \ln \frac{K}{V} = 0$$

$$\ln d = \ln N! - \ln m! - m \ln 2 - \ln (N-2m)!$$

$$\approx \ln N! - m \ln m + m - m \ln 2 - (N-2m) \ln (N-2m) + (N-2m)$$

$$\frac{d \ln d}{d m} = -\ln m - \ln 2 + 2 \ln (N-2m)$$

$$\ln \frac{K}{V} = \ln m + \ln 2 - \ln (N-2m)^2$$

$$\frac{K}{V} = \frac{2m}{(N-2m)^2}$$

$$\frac{2m}{V} = \frac{K(N-2m)^2}{V}$$

$$\frac{2m}{V} = \frac{K(N-2m)^2}{V^2}$$

$\frac{2m}{V} \sim$ concentration/density of Kr_2 ?
(shouldn't it be $\frac{M}{V}$?)

$\frac{(N-2m)^2}{V^2} \sim$ concentration/density of Kr

$$^{(??)} [C_{Kr_2}] = K [C_{Kr}]^2$$

$$2C_{Kr_2} = K [C_{Kr}]^2$$