

# What is temperature?

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# Temperature sensation

- Subjective temperature sensation
- Memory effects
- Measuring the heat flow
- Heat – substance  $\leftrightarrow$  Cold – substance



**What is temperature?**

# Overview

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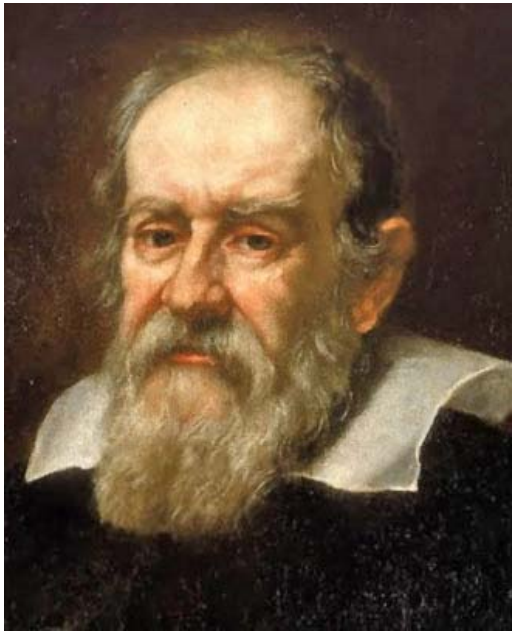
**IV. Grand Laws of Thermodynamics**

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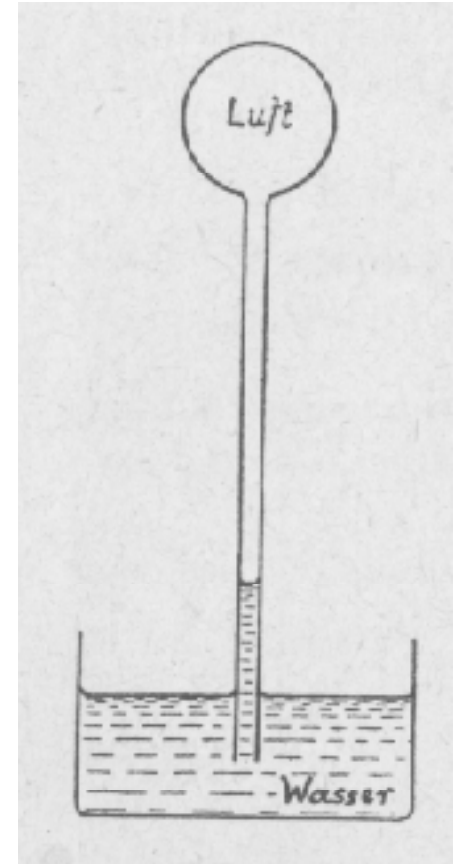
# **Brief history of the temperature concept**

# Early temperature measurements

No scale for measuring  
temperature between some reference points



**Galileo Galilei**  
(1564 – 1642)

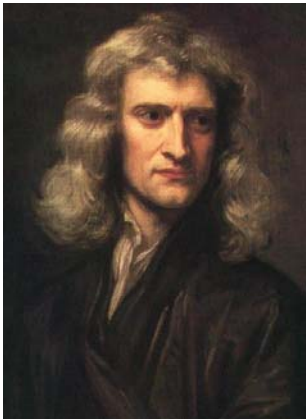


1592: first documented (gas-) thermometer  
invented by Galileo Galilei

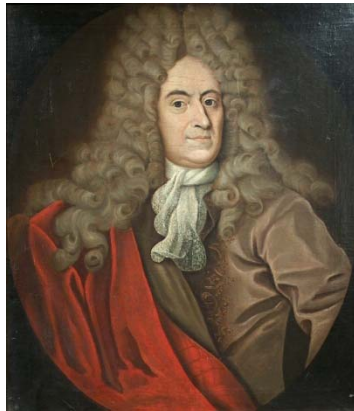
# First thermometer & temperature scales

- 1638: Robert Fludd – air thermometer & scale
- ~1700: linseed oil thermometer by Newton
- 1701: red wine as temperature indicator by Rømer
- 1702: Guillaume Amontons: Absolute zero temperature?
- 1714: mercury and alcohol thermometer by Fahrenheit

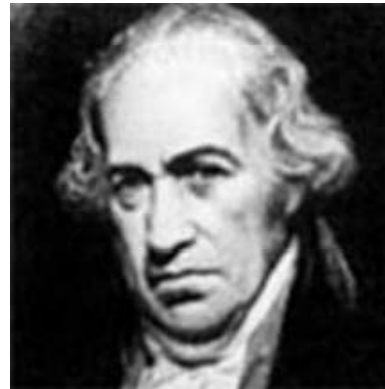
## Definition of temperature scales



**Sir Isaac Newton**  
(1643 – 1727)



**Olaf Christensen  
Rømer**  
(1644 – 1710)



**Daniel Gabriel  
Fahrenheit**  
(1686 – 1736)



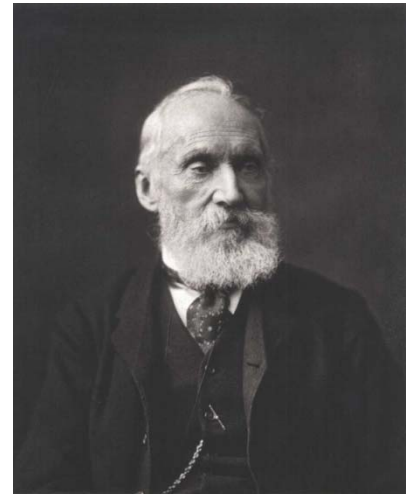
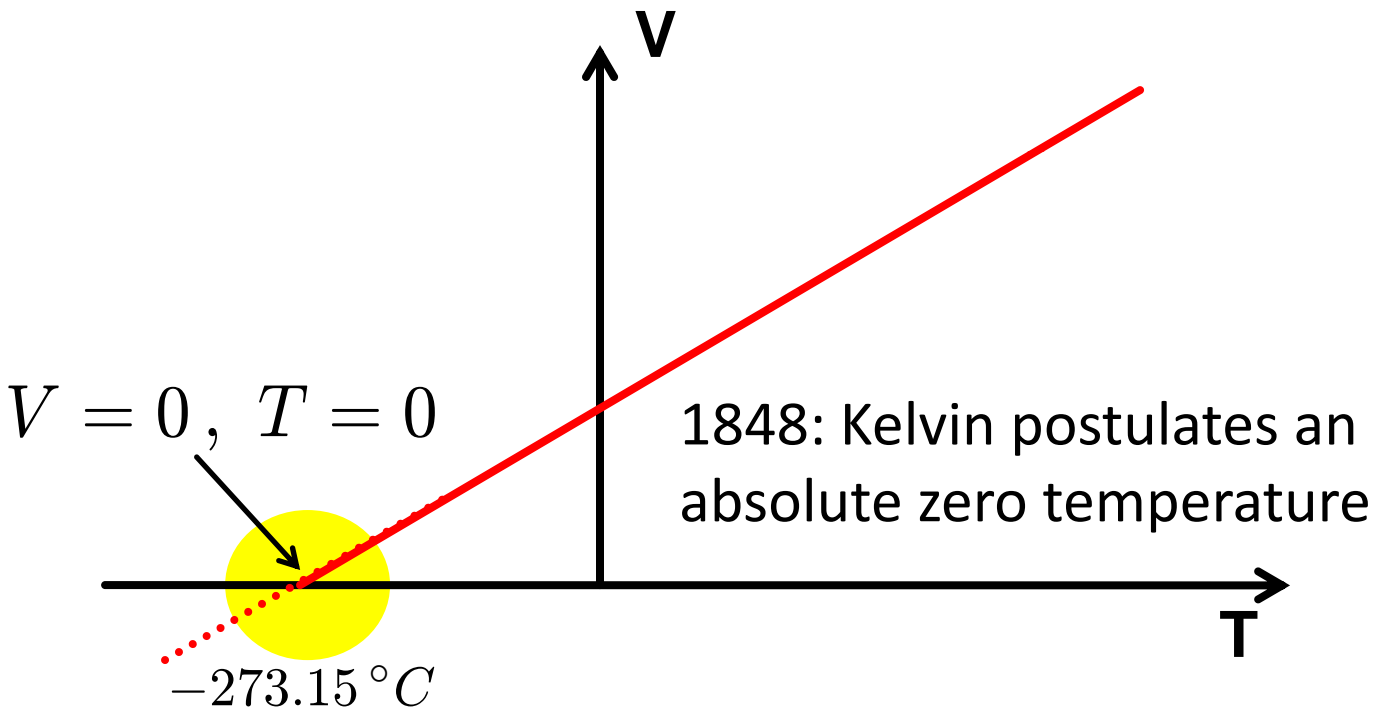
**René Antoine  
Ferchault de  
Réaumur**  
(1683 – 1757)



**Anders Celsius**  
(1701 – 1744)

# Absolute Zero

Ideal gas law:  $pV = Nk_B T$



**William Thomson**  
— Lord Kelvin  
(1824 – 1907)

*It is impossible by any procedure to reduce the temperature of a system to zero in a finite number of operations.*

# Low temperature milestones

1908: liquid helium; 5 K



**Heike Kamerlingh  
Onnes**  
(1853 – 1926)

1995: Bose-Einstein-  
Condensate; 20 nK



Eric A. Cornell



Carl E. Wieman



Wolfgang Ketterle

2003: BEC; 450 pK – W. Ketterle

# Temperature scales

# Absolute temperature scale

## Kelvin – scale (SI)

Reference: absolute zero temperature

& triple point of water (273.16K; 611.73 Pa)

Scale division: 1K is equal to the fraction  $(273.16)^{-1}$  of the thermodynamic temperature of the triple point of water

$$\Delta T = 1K \equiv 1^{\circ}C \text{ (degree Celsius)}$$

# Comparison of temperature scales

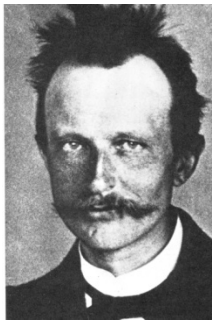
|   | Kelvin [K] | Celsius [°C]   | Fahrenheit [°F] |
|---|------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Absolute zero                                   | 0.00       | -273.15        | -459.67         |
| Fahrenheit's ice/salt mixture                   | 255.37     | -17.78         | 0.00            |
| Ice melts (at standard pressure <sup>**</sup> ) | 273.15     | (100) = 0.00 * | 32.00           |
| Average human body temperature                  | 309.95     | 36.80          | 98.24           |
| Water boils (at standard pressure)              | 373.13     | (0) = 100 *    | 211.97          |
| Titanium melts                                  | 1941.00    | 1668.00        | 3034.00         |

source: wikipedia.org

Further temperature scales: Newton, Delisle, Réaumur, Rømer, M. Planck (linear scales)  
Rudolf Plank (logarithmic scale)

\* Celsius used a reversed temperature scale with “0” indicating the boiling point of water and “100” the melting point of ice

\*\* 1 atm = 760 mmHg = 101325 Pa



# Planck units

| Constant                  | Symbol                  | Value in SI units   |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Speed of light            | $c$                     | 299 792 458 m s <sup>-1</sup>                                       |
| Gravitational constant    | $G$                     | $6.67429 \cdot 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \text{ kg}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-2}$ |
| reduced Planck's constant | $\hbar$                 | $1.054571628 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$                            |
| Coulomb force constant    | $(4\pi\epsilon_0)^{-1}$ | 8 987 551 787.368 kg m <sup>3</sup> s <sup>-2</sup> C <sup>-2</sup> |
| Boltzmann constant        | $k_B$                   | $1.3806504 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$                         |

| Name                      | Expression                             | SI equivalents                     |
|---------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| <b>Planck temperature</b> | $T_P = \sqrt{\hbar c^5 G^{-1} k^{-2}}$ | $1.41168 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ K}$  |
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**... ihre Bedeutung für alle Zeiten und für alle, auch außerirdische und außermenschliche Kulturen notwendig behalten und welche daher als natürliche Maßeinheiten bezeichnet werden können ...**

**... These necessarily retain their meaning for all times and for all civilizations, even extraterrestrial and non-human ones, and can therefore be designated as natural units ...**

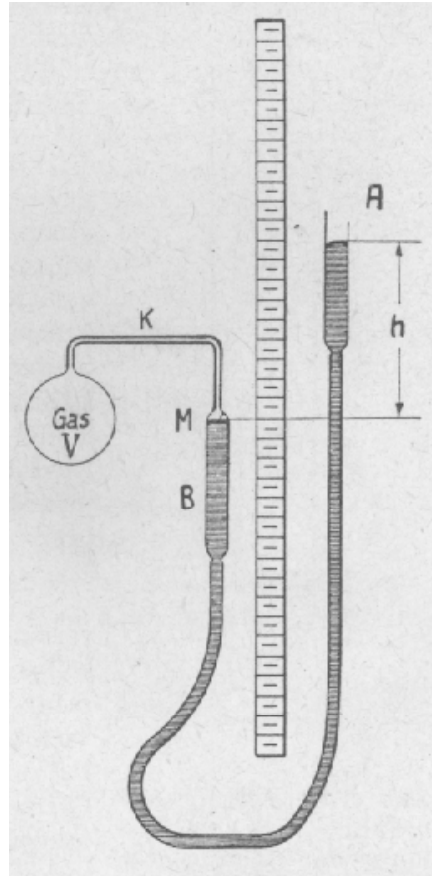
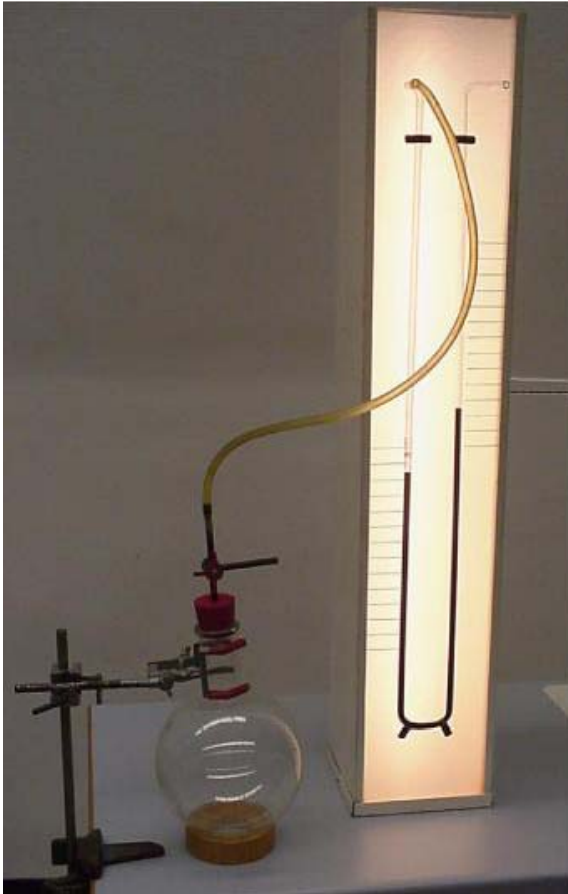
(Planck, 1899)

# *Typical* temperature values [°C]

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Boiling point of Nitrogen   | -195.79           |
| Lowest recorded surface temperature on Earth<br>(Vostok, Antarctica – July 21, 1983)        | -89               |
| Highest recorded surface temperature on Earth<br>(Al' Aziziyah, Libya – September 13, 1922) | 58                |
| Temperature in the Earth's Thermosphere<br>(80 - 650 km above the surface)                  | ~ 1500            |
| Melting point of diamond  | 3547              |
| Surface temperature of the sun (photosphere)  | ~ 5526            |
| Temperature in the interior of the sun  | ~ $15 \cdot 10^6$ |

# Thermometers

# Gas Thermometers



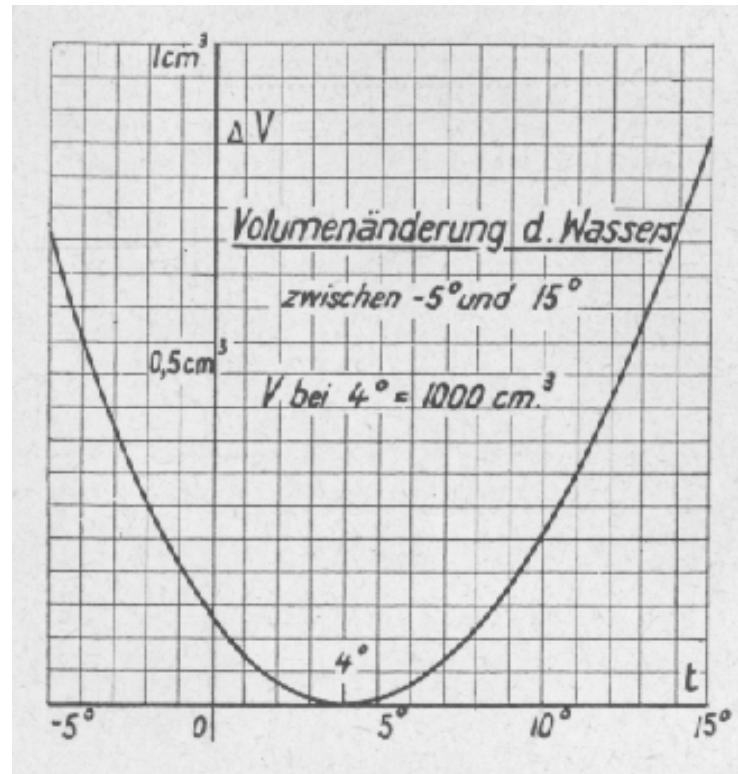
Ideal gas:

$$T = \left( \frac{V}{N k_B} \right) p$$

# Galilei Thermometer

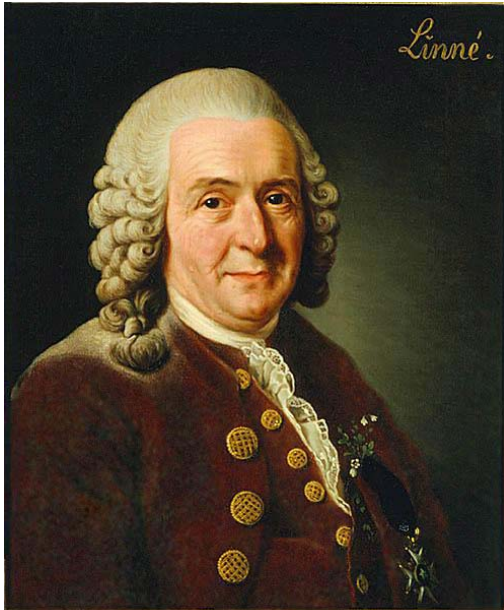


Volume change of water



Upon increasing  $T \rightarrow 4^\circ\text{C}$   $\longrightarrow$  Water volume shrinks

# Linnaeus thermometer

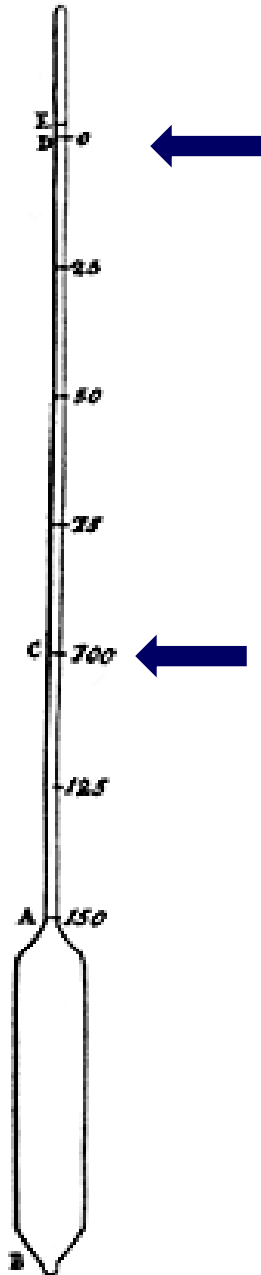


**Carl von Linné**  
(1707 – 1778)

Reversed the Celsius scale

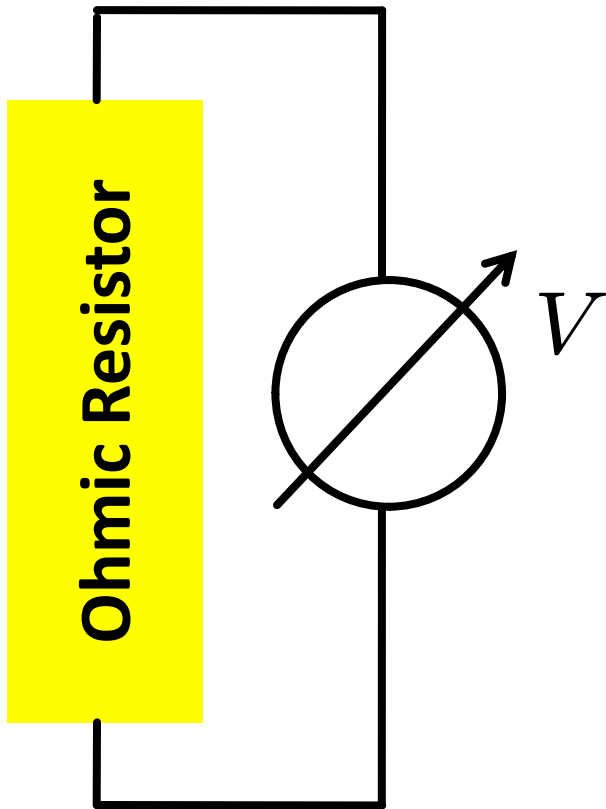
1744: broken on delivery

1745: botanical garden in Uppsala



Anders Celsius

# Noise Thermometer



Johnson – Nyquist noise

$$\text{PSD}_V(\omega) = 2k_B T R$$

-- classical regime only --

$\text{PSD}_V$  : power spectral density  
of the voltage signal

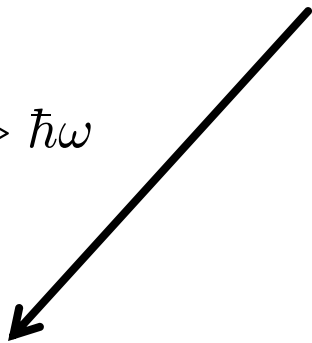
$k_B$  : Boltzmann constant

$R$  : resistance

# Quantum fluctuation-dissipation theorem

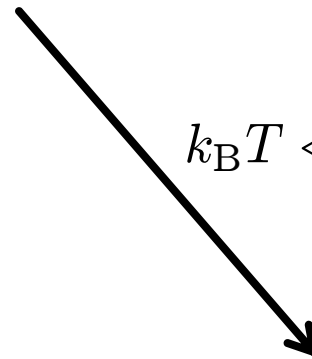
$$\begin{aligned} PSD_I(\omega) &= \hbar\omega \coth\left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2k_B T}\right) \operatorname{Re}Y(\omega) \\ &= \left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2} + \frac{\hbar\omega}{\exp(\beta\hbar\omega) - 1}\right) \operatorname{Re}Y(\omega) \end{aligned}$$

$k_B T \gg \hbar\omega$



$$PSD_I(\omega) = 2k_B T \operatorname{Re}Y(\omega)$$

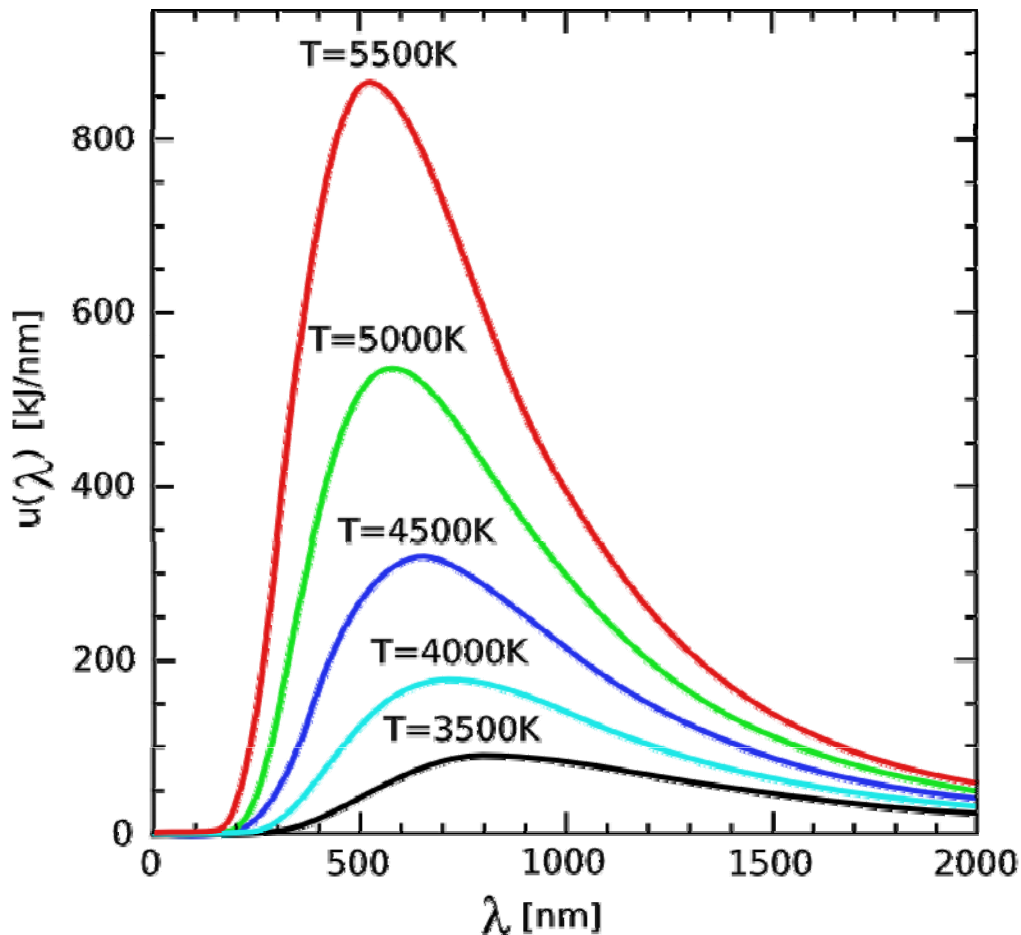
$k_B T \ll \hbar\omega$



$$PSD_I(\omega) = \hbar\omega \operatorname{Re}Y(\omega)$$

# Black body radiation

Planck's law [1901]:  $u(\lambda, T) = \frac{8\pi hc}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{hc}{\lambda k_B T}\right) - 1}$



$u(\lambda, T)$  : spectral energy density

$\lambda$  : wavelength

$h$  : Planck constant

$c$  : speed of light

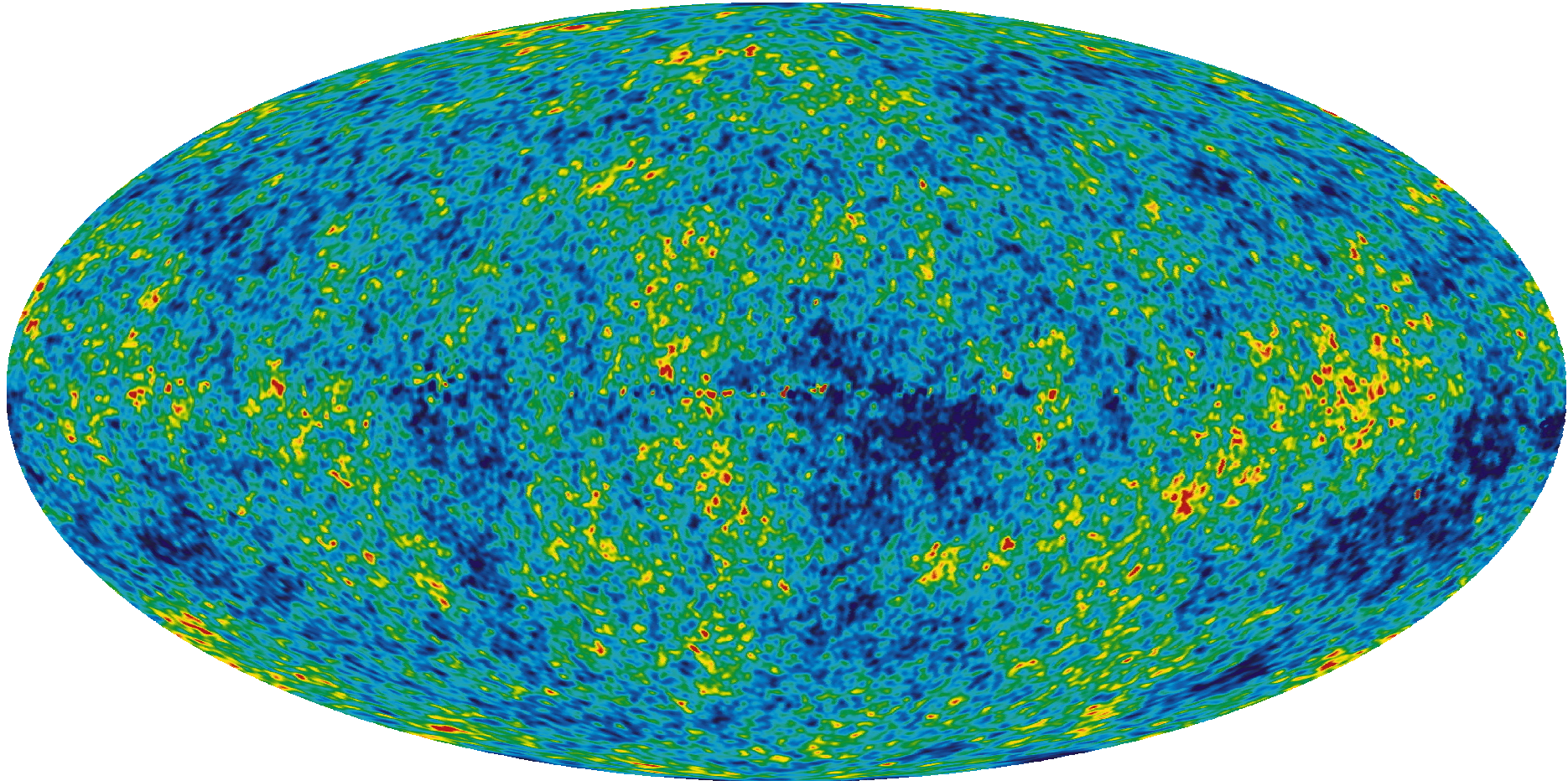
$k_B$  : Boltzmann constant

Stefan – Boltzmann law:

$$E \propto T^4$$

**Thermometer !**

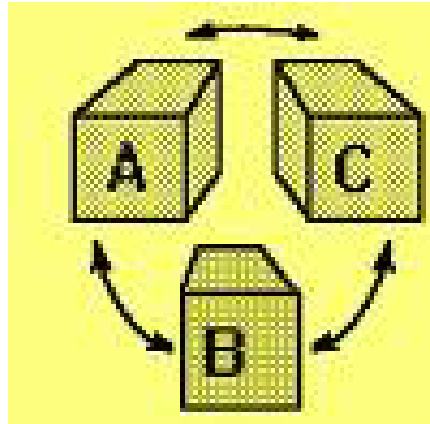
# Cosmic background temperature



$$T = 2.725 \pm \dots \text{ K}$$

# **Four Grand Laws of Thermodynamics**

# Zeroth Law



Transitivity !

A in equilibrium with B:  $f_{AB}(p_A, V_A; p_B, V_B, \dots) = 0$

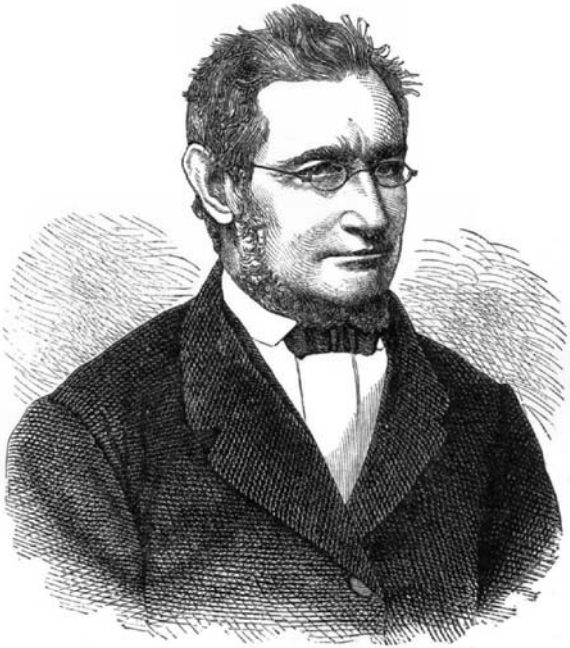
B in equilibrium with C:  $f_{BC}(p_B, V_B; p_C, V_C, \dots) = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  A in equilibrium with C  $\Leftrightarrow f_{AC}(p_A, V_A; p_C, V_C, \dots) = 0$

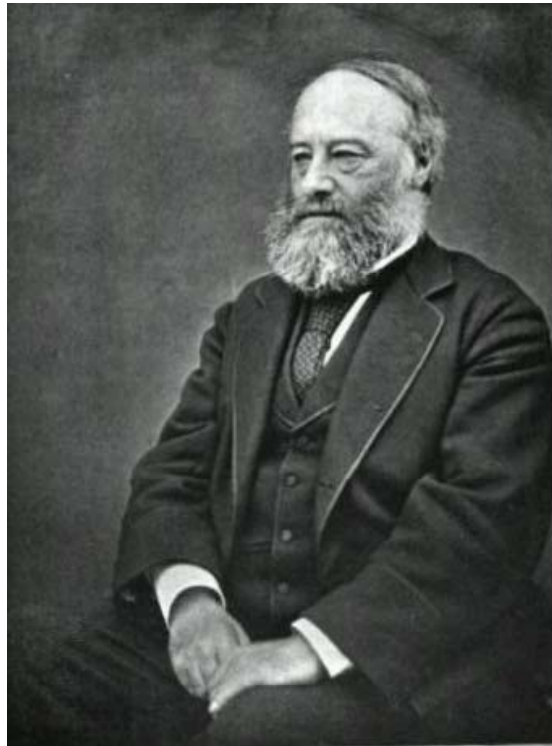
Allows the formal introduction of a temperature:

$$T = T_A(p_A, V_A; \dots) = T_B(p_B, V_B; \dots) = T_C(p_C, V_C; \dots)$$

# First Law



**Julius Robert  
von Mayer**  
(1814 – 1878)



**James Prescott  
Joule**  
(1818 – 1889)



**Hermann von  
Helmholtz**  
(1821 – 1894)

# First Law – Energy Conservation

$$\Delta E = \Delta Q + \Delta W$$

$\Delta E$  change in internal energy

$\Delta Q$  heat added on the system

$\Delta W$  work done on the system

H. von Helmholtz: “Über die Erhaltung der Kraft” (1847)

$$\Delta E = (T\Delta S)_{\text{quasi-static}} - (p\Delta V)_{\text{quasi-static}}$$



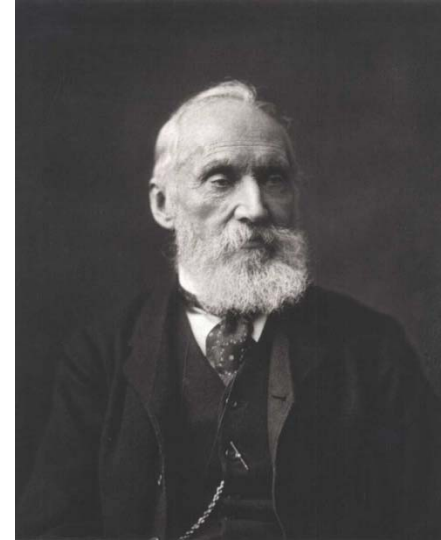
# Second Law



**Rudolf Julius Emanuel Clausius**  
(1822 – 1888)

Heat generally cannot spontaneously flow from a material at lower temperature to a material at higher temperature.

$$\delta Q = TdS \quad (\text{Zürich, 1865})$$



**William Thomson alias Lord Kelvin**  
(1824 – 1907)

No cyclic process exists whose sole effect is to extract heat from a single heat bath at temperature  $T$  and convert it entirely to work.

## Perpetuum mobile of the second kind ?

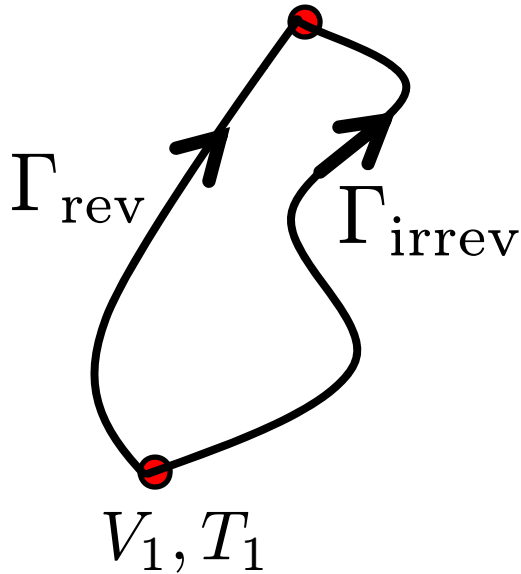
One heat reservoir

Two heat reservoirs

**NO !**

# Entropy $S$ – content of *transformation* „Verwandlungswert“

$$dS_{V_2, T_2} = \delta Q^{\text{rev}} / T; \quad \delta Q^{\text{irrev}} < \delta Q^{\text{rev}}$$



$$\oint_C \frac{\delta Q}{T} \leq 0$$

$$C = \Gamma_{\text{rev}}^{-1} + \Gamma_{\text{irrev}}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} S(V_2, T_2) - S(V_1, T_1) &\geq \int_{\Gamma_{\text{irrev}}} \frac{\delta Q}{T} \\ S(V_2, T_2) - S(V_1, T_1) &= \int_{\Gamma_{\text{rev}}} \frac{\delta Q}{T} \end{aligned} \right\} \frac{\partial S}{\partial t} \geq 0 \quad \text{NO !}$$

# Thermodynamic potentials

**Internal energy:**  $E(S, V, \{N_i\}) = T S - p V + \sum \mu_i N_i$

**Helmholtz free energy:**  $F(T, V, \{N_i\}) = E - T S$

**Enthalpy:**  $H(S, p, \{N_i\}) = E + p V$

**Gibbs free energy:**  $G(T, p, \{N_i\}) = E + p V - T S = \sum \mu_i N_i$

**Planck potential:**  $\Phi(T, p, \{N_i\}) = -G/T$

# Third Law



Walter Hermann NERNST  
(1864 - 1941)

„mein Wärmesatz“

(during his lecture August 15, 1905)

$$\frac{\Delta H - \Delta G}{T} = \Delta S \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as} \quad T \longrightarrow 0$$

## ... and Planck's version



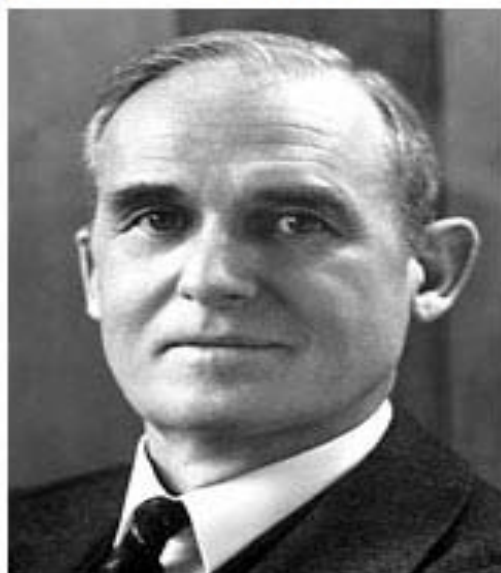
Max PLANCK  
(1858 - 1947)

The entropy  $s = S/N$  per particle approaches at  $T = 0$  a constant ( $s_0 = k_B \ln g(N)/N$ ) value that possibly depends on the chemical composition of the system. This limiting value can generally be set to zero.



## The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 1949

"for his contributions in the field of chemical thermodynamics, particularly concerning the behaviour of substances at extremely low temperatures"



**William Francis  
Giaque**

USA

University of California  
Berkeley, CA, USA

b. 1895  
d. 1982

# Approaching zero temperature

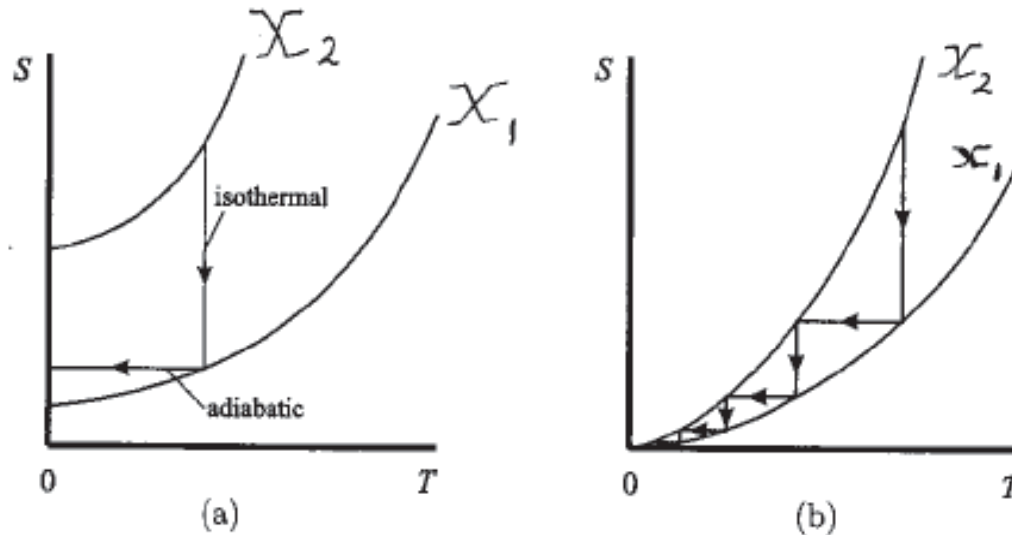


Fig. 1.13. Approaching absolute zero. System (a) not obeying the Third Law can get to  $T = 0$  in two steps. System (b) obeying the Third Law cannot get to  $T = 0$  in a finite number of steps.

**Nernst 1912 (after being criticized by Einstein in Brussels):**

One cannot reach  $T = 0$  with a **finite** number of (reversible) isothermal and adiabatic steps.

**corollary:** The  $T = 0$  isotherm is also an isentrope. (H.B. Callen)

# Famous exception of the 3<sup>rd</sup> law

classical ideal gas

$$S = N [c_V \ln(T) + k_B \ln(V/N) + \sigma]$$

Moreover:

classical statistical mechanics:  $n$ -vector model with  $n$ -dimensional vectors  $> 1$  violates third law.

(e.g. planar Heisenberg ( $n = 2$ ) or the  $n = 3$  Heisenberg model)

# Temperature definitions

# Thermodynamic Temperature

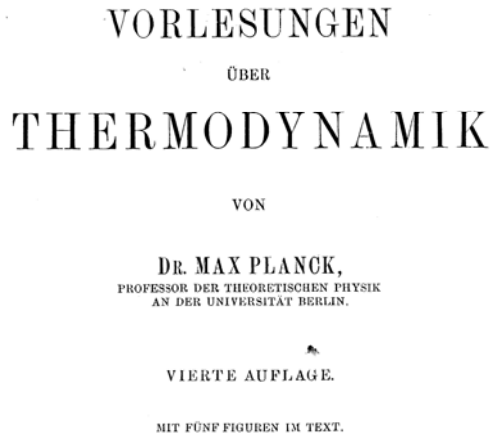
$$\delta Q^{\text{rev}} = T dS \leftarrow \text{thermodynamic entropy}$$

$$S = S(E, V, N_1, N_2, \dots; M, P, \dots)$$

$S(E, \dots)$ : (continuous) & differentiable and  
**monotonic** function of the internal energy  $E$

$$\left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial E} \right)_{\dots} = \frac{1}{T}$$

# How to determine the absolute thermodynamic temperature



LEIPZIG,  
VERLAG VON VEIT & COMP.  
1913

$$\log \frac{T}{T_0} = \int_{t_0}^t \frac{\left(\frac{dv}{dt}\right)_p dt}{v + c'_p \left(\frac{dt}{dp}\right)}$$

$t$  : arbitrary temperature scale

$v$  : volume

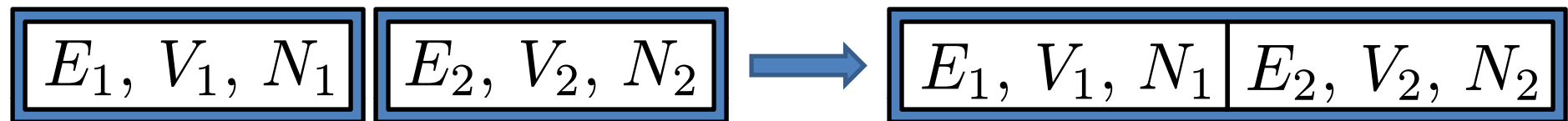
$c'_p$  : specific heat at constant pressure

**“ ... wo nun wieder unter dem Integralzeichen lauter direkt und verhältnismäßig bequem meßbare Größen stehen. ... ”**

M. Planck

# A statistical definition of Temperature

$\Omega(E, V, N)$  : number of microstates for a given macrostate  $(E, V, N)$



$$\Omega_1(E_1, V_1, N_1) \quad \Omega_2(E_2, V_2, N_2) \Rightarrow \Omega = \Omega_1 \cdot \Omega_2$$

$$\text{in equilibrium: } \delta\Omega = \frac{\partial\Omega_1}{\partial E_1} \delta E_1 \Omega_2 + \Omega_1 \frac{\partial\Omega_2}{\partial E_2} \delta E_2 = 0$$

$$\text{energy conservation: } \delta E_1 = -\delta E_2 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\Omega_1} \frac{\partial\Omega_1}{\partial E_1} = \frac{1}{\Omega_2} \frac{\partial\Omega_2}{\partial E_2}$$

Boltzmann (Planck):  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{k}_B \ln\Omega$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{T_1} = \frac{1}{T_2} \Rightarrow \mathbf{T}_1 = \mathbf{T}_2 = \mathbf{T}$$

# Temperature Fluctuations – An Oxymoron

Ch. Kittel, Physics Today, May 1988, p. 93



$T$  does NOT fluctuate!

$$|\Delta U| |\Delta\beta| = 1 \leftrightarrow |\Delta U| |\Delta T| = k_B T^2 \quad \text{NO!}$$

“...Temperature is precisely defined only for a system in thermal equilibrium with a heat bath: The temperature of a system A, however small, is defined as equal to the temperature of a very large heat reservoir B with which the system is in equilibrium and in thermal contact. Thermal contact means that A and B can exchange energy, although insulated from the outer World. ...”

# Molecular Dynamics

- Every quadratic term in the Hamiltonian contributes  $\frac{1}{2}k_B T$  to the internal energy
- Classical systems: **VIRIAL THEOREM**

$$[H_i \propto q_i^n \text{ or } p_i^n \Rightarrow \langle E_i \rangle = k_B T / n]$$

- Classical harmonic Oscillator

$$\frac{\langle p_i^2 \rangle}{2m} = \frac{1}{2}m \langle v_i^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2}k_B T$$
$$\frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 \langle x_i^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2}k_B T$$

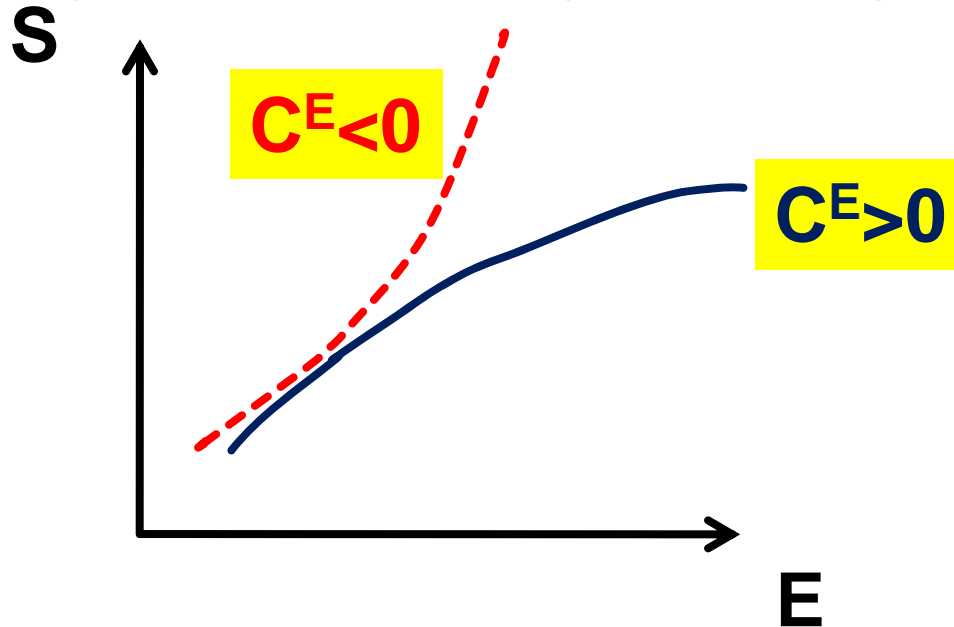
**NOT SO FOR A QUANTUM OSCILLATOR**

# Specific Heat

$$E = \sum_i E_i \exp(-\beta E_i) / \sum_i \exp(-\beta E_i)$$

$$C^E = \frac{dE}{dT} = (k_B T^2)^{-1} \langle (E_i - \langle E_i \rangle)^2 \rangle > 0!$$

Note also:  $\frac{\partial S}{\partial E} = 1/T$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial E^2} = -\frac{1}{C^E T^2}$



# Specific heat paradox (microcanonical)

R. Emden (1907); A.S. Eddington (1926);  
D. Lynden-Bell & R. Wood (1968); W. Thirring (1970);  
W. Thirring, H. Narnhofer & H. A. Posch (2003)

Coulomb:  $\langle \Phi_i \rangle = -k_B T$  **! CLASSICAL !**

**→**  $T_{\text{kin}} = -\frac{1}{2} \langle \Phi_{\text{tot}} \rangle = 3Nk_B T / 2$

$$2T_{\text{kin}} + \langle \Phi_{\text{tot}} \rangle = 0 = E + T_{\text{kin}}$$

**→**  $C^E = \frac{dE}{dT} = -\frac{dT_{\text{kin}}}{dT} = -3Nk_B / 2 < 0$  **!**

# Quantum Regime

$$h = 6.62606896 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ J s} = \frac{4}{K_J^2 R_K}$$

$$\text{with } K_J = 2e/h, R_K = h/e^2$$

$$h\nu = 1 \text{ kg } c^2$$

$$\rightarrow \nu = 135639273 \cdot 10^{42} \text{ Hz}$$

# Quantum Harmonic Oscillator

$$H_S = \frac{p^2}{2M} + \frac{M}{2}\omega_0^2 x^2, \quad E_n = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\hbar\omega_0, \quad \beta = \frac{1}{k_B T}$$

partition function

$$Z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_n} = \frac{1}{2 \sinh[\hbar\beta\omega_0/2]}$$

entropy

$$S = k_B \left[ \ln(Z) - \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \ln(Z) \right]$$
$$= k_B \left[ \frac{\hbar\beta\omega_0}{\exp(\hbar\beta\omega_0) - 1} - \ln(1 - \exp(-\hbar\beta\omega_0)) \right]$$

Specific heat:  $C^E = \frac{\partial E}{\partial T}$ ,  $E = \frac{\hbar\omega_0}{2} + \frac{\hbar\omega_0}{\exp(\hbar\omega_0\beta) - 1}$

Quantum harmonic Oscillator:  $C^E = k_B \left( \frac{\hbar\beta\omega_0}{2 \sinh(\hbar\beta\omega_0/2)} \right)^2$


low-temperature behavior

$$C^E = k_B \left( \frac{\hbar\omega_0}{k_B T} \right)^2 \exp\left(-\frac{\hbar\omega_0}{k_B T}\right)$$

high-temperature behavior

$$C^E = k_B \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{\hbar\omega_0}{k_B T} \right)^2 + O(T^{-4}) \right]$$

the limit  $\omega_0 \rightarrow 0$  does NOT yield the specific heat  $C^E = k_B/2$  of the free particle

  $E \neq \frac{1}{2} k_B T$

No virial theorem !  
No equipartition th.!

# ? Negative Temperature ?

**Spin system:**  $|\vec{S}| = 1/2$ ;  $\vec{\mu} = \gamma\vec{S}$ ;  $H = -\sum \vec{\mu}_i \cdot \vec{B}$

$\vec{S} \parallel \vec{B} \Rightarrow$  Two-State-System:  $\epsilon_g = -\frac{1}{2}\gamma B < \epsilon_e = +\frac{1}{2}\gamma B = \mu B$

$N = n_g + n_e$  &  $E = \mu B(n_e - n_g)$ , typically  $E < 0$

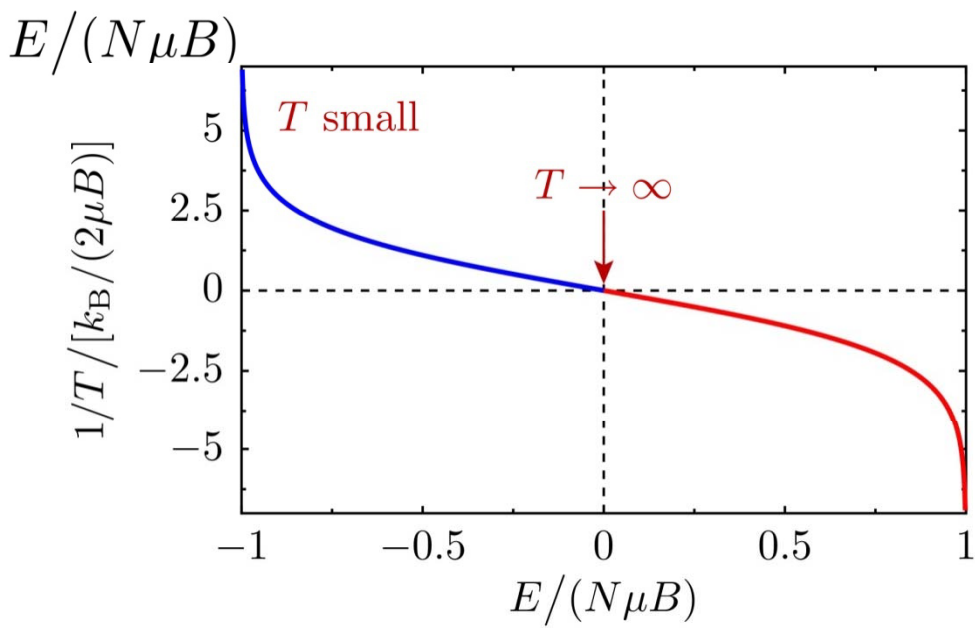
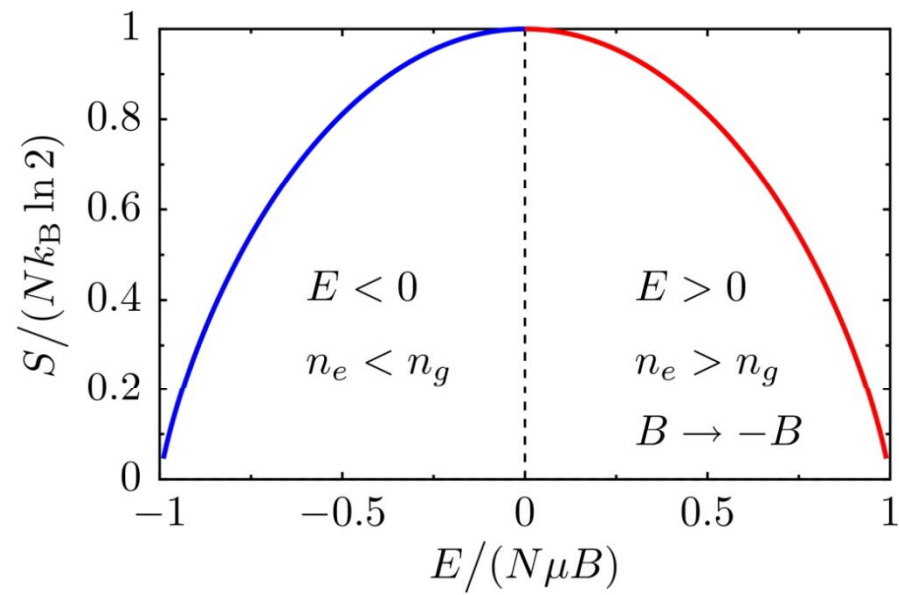
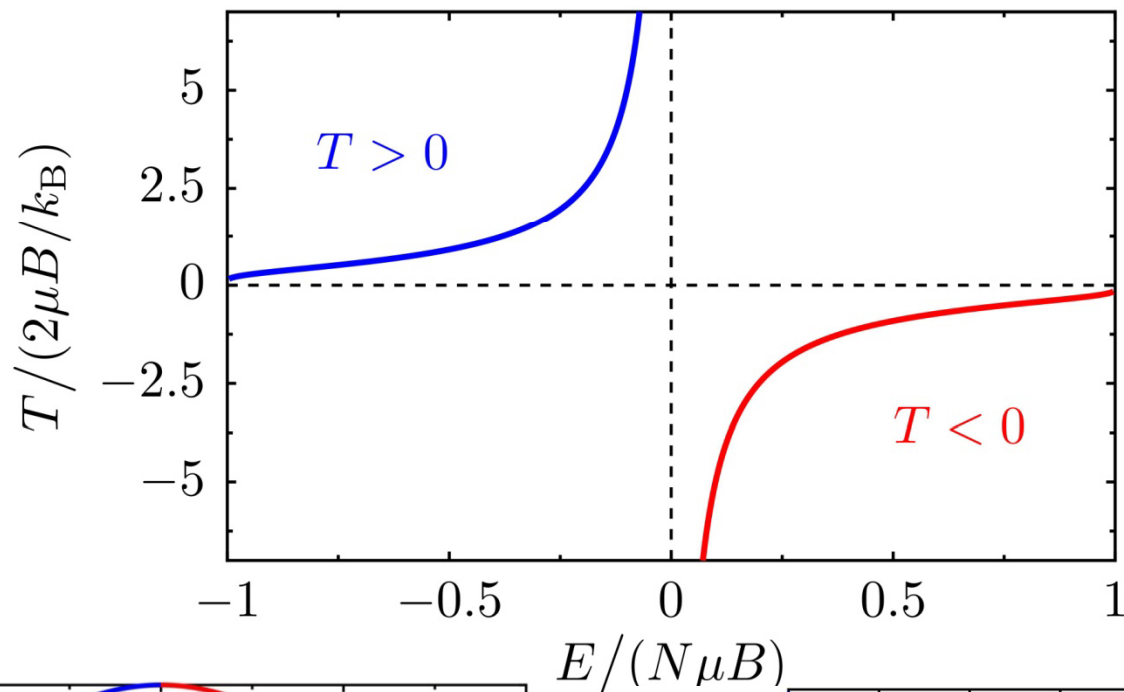
$\Omega = \frac{N!}{n_g! n_e!} \Rightarrow S = k_B \ln \Omega$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{T} = \frac{\partial S}{\partial E}$

$\Rightarrow n_g = \frac{1}{2} \left( N - \frac{E}{\mu B} \right)$

$\Rightarrow n_e = \frac{1}{2} \left( N + \frac{E}{\mu B} \right)$

# Negative (Spin)-Temperature!



# Relativistic Regime

$$\Sigma(u = 0) \longrightarrow \Sigma'(u \neq 0)$$

$$x' = \gamma(u) (x - u \cdot t)$$

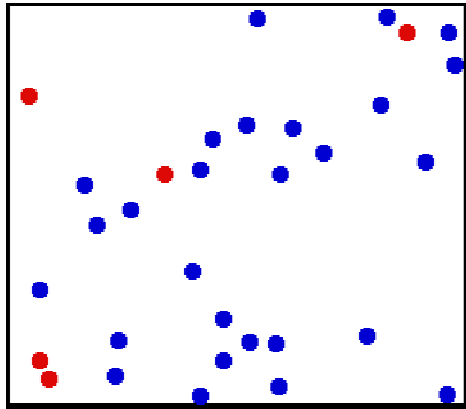
$$t' = \gamma(u) (t - ux/c^2)$$

$$\text{with } \gamma(u) = \left(1 - \frac{u^2}{c^2}\right)^{-1/2}$$

$$x^2 - c^2 t^2 = (x')^2 - c^2 (t')^2$$

Note: thermodynamic observables are **NONLOCAL**

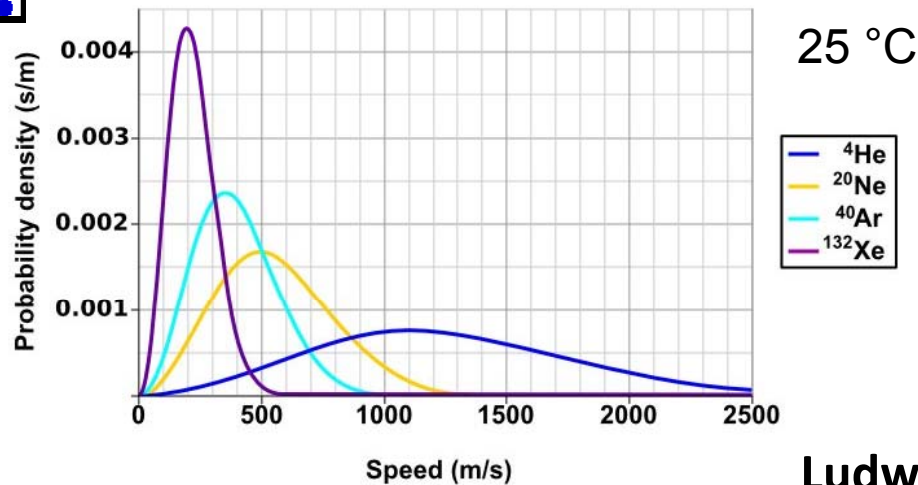
# Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution



velocity distribution:

$$f_{\vec{v}}(v_x, v_y, v_z) = \left( \frac{m}{2\pi k_B T} \right)^{3/2} \exp \left( - \frac{v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2}{2 k_B T / m} \right)$$

Maxwell-Boltzmann Molecular Speed Distribution for Noble Gases



James Clerk Maxwell  
(1831 – 1879)

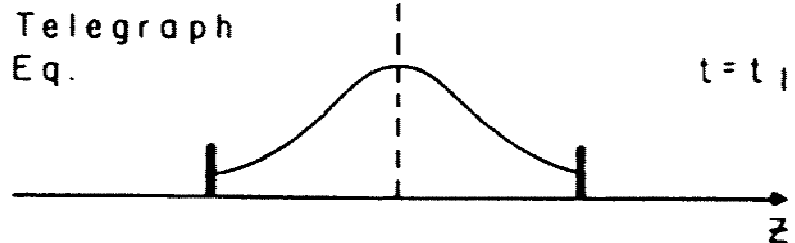
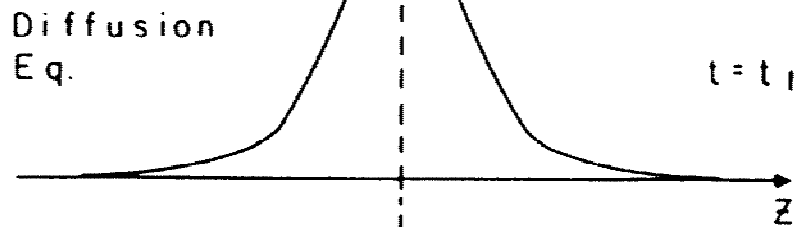
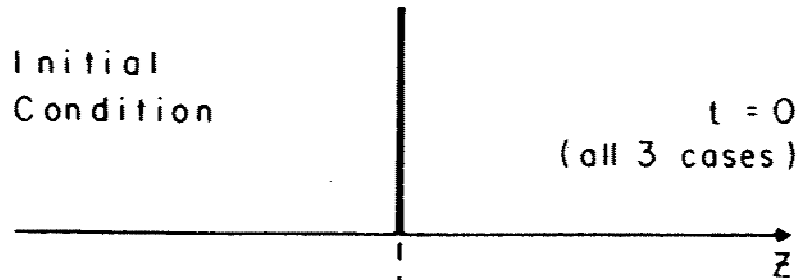
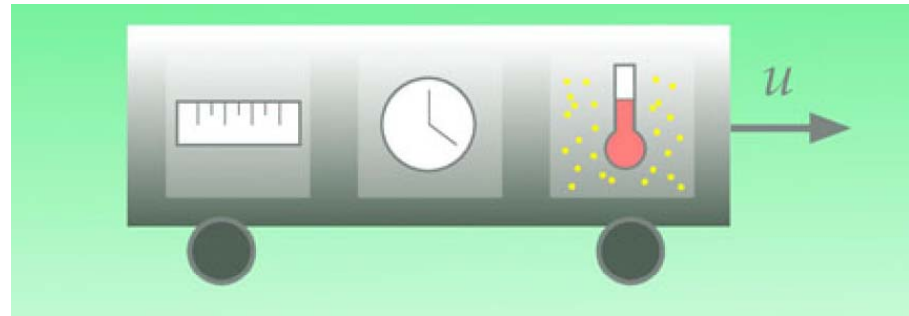


Ludwig Eduard Boltzmann  
(1844 – 1906)

**!  $v < c$  violated !**

# Relativistic Brownian motion

J. Dunkel, P.H., Phys. Rep. **471**, 1 (2009)



Masoliver & Weiss,  
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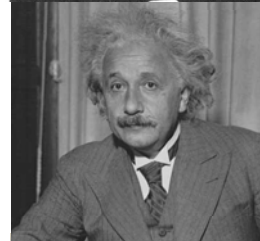
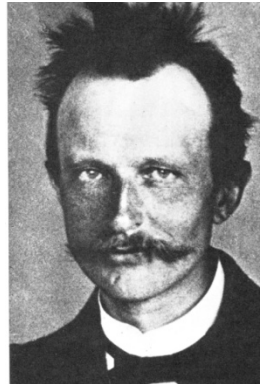
$$\gamma = \left[ 1 - (u/c)^2 \right]^{-1/2}$$

$$l'(u) = l_0 \gamma^{-1} \quad t'(u) = t_0 \gamma^{+1}$$

$$T'(u) = T_0 \gamma^{-\alpha}$$

$$\alpha = ?$$

# Relativistic thermodynamics



$$T'(w) = T (1 - w^2)^{\alpha/2}$$

$$\alpha = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{Planck, Einstein} \\ 0 & \text{Landsberg, van Kampen} \\ -1 & \text{Ott} \end{cases}$$

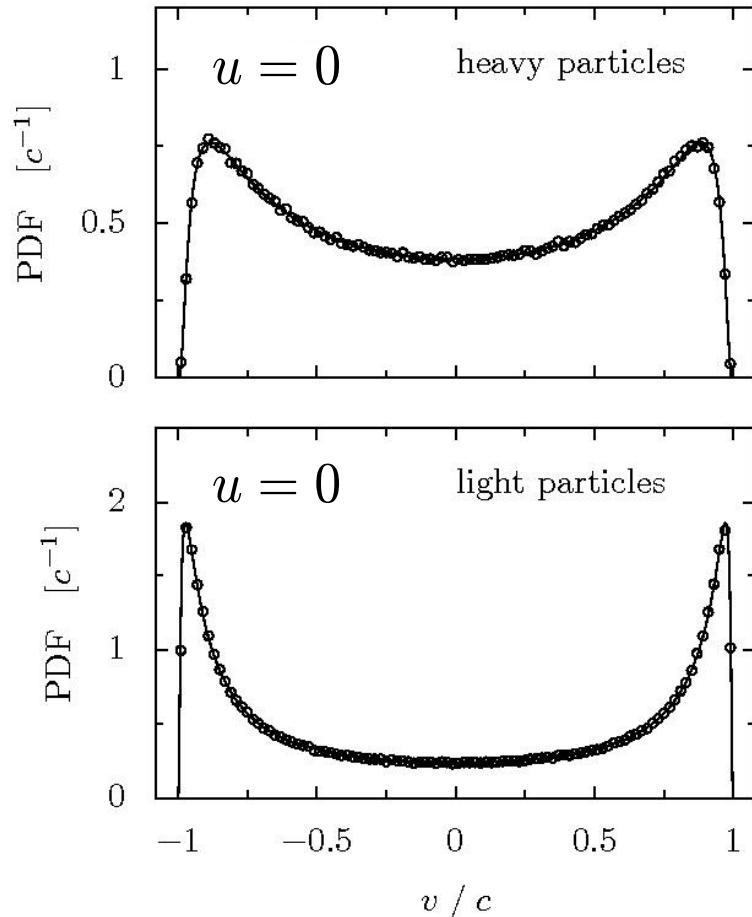
Why this confusion?

- (i) R-TD **non-local** theory
- (ii) different definitions of work and heat

# Jüttner Gas

$$f_{\text{Maxwell}}(\vec{p}) = [\beta/(2\pi m)]^{d/2} \exp(-\beta p^2/2m)$$

$$f_{\text{Jüttner}}(\vec{p}) = Z_d^{-1} \exp\left[-\beta_J(m^2 c^4 + p^2 c^2)^{1/2}\right]$$



$$\langle \vec{p} \cdot \vec{v} \rangle = dk_B \mathcal{T} = d/\beta_J$$

statistical relativistic temperature

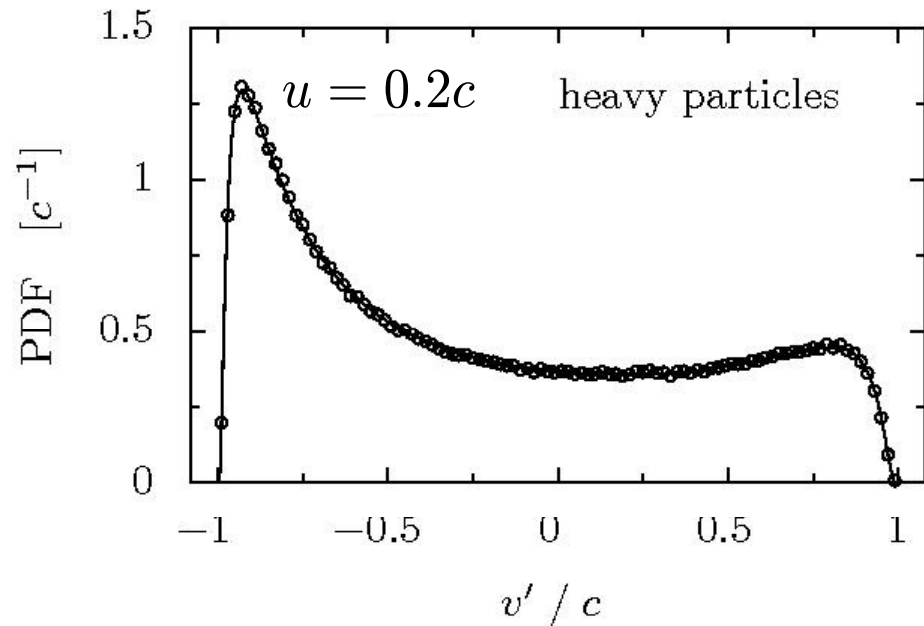
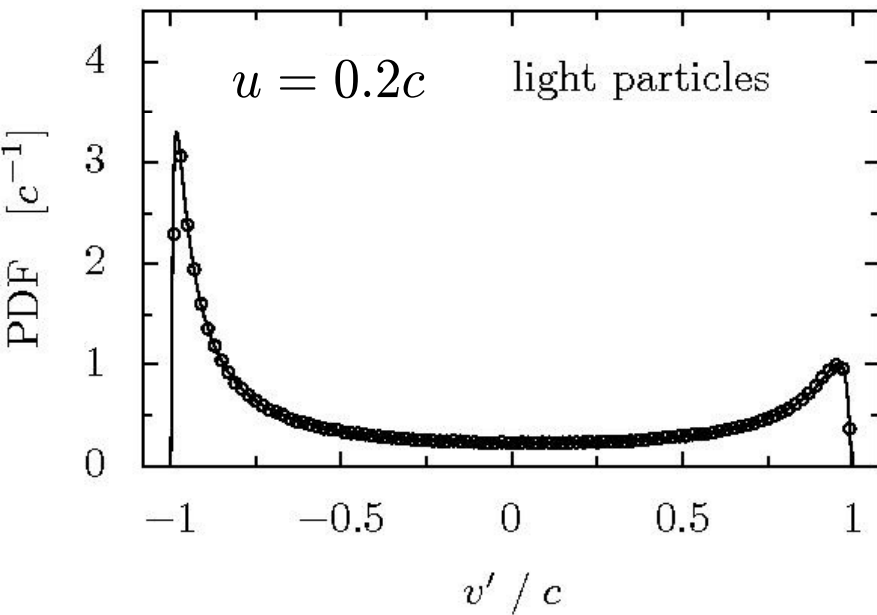
$$T = \mathcal{T} = (k_B \beta_J)^{-1}$$

# Moving Observers

$$\Sigma(u = 0) \longrightarrow \Sigma'(u \neq 0)$$

$$f'_{\text{Jüttner}}(v', u) = Z_1^{-1} \frac{m\gamma(v')^3}{\gamma(u)} \exp \left[ -\beta_J \gamma(u) m\gamma(v') (c^2 + uv') \right]$$

$v'$  : velocity in moving frame

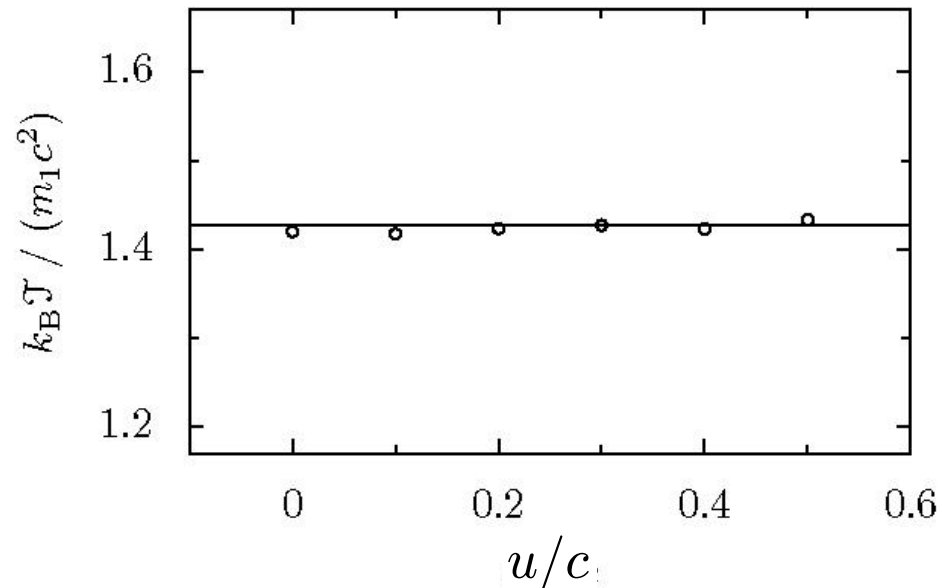
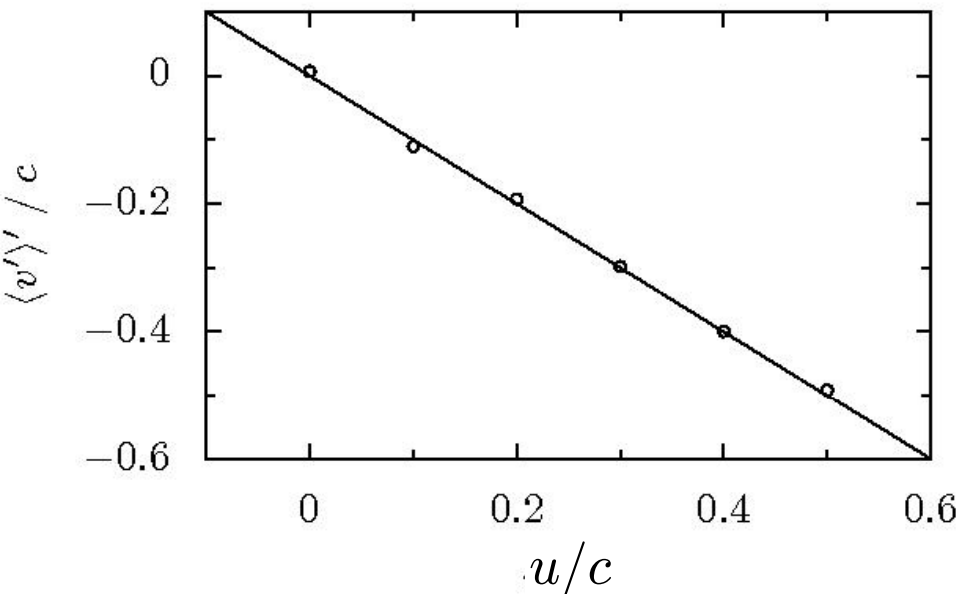


# Measuring temperature in Lorentz invariant way

Lorentz invariant equipartition theorem

$$k_B \mathcal{T} = m \gamma(u)^3 \langle \gamma(v') (v' + u)^2 \rangle_{t'}$$

with  $u = -\langle v' \rangle_{t'}$



# Starting points in RTD?

“BAD” macroscopic variables  $\mathcal{N}, u^0, \mathbf{u}$

- ambiguous definition
- hide non-local character

“GOOD” mesoscopic tensor densities  $j^\mu(t, \mathbf{x}), \theta^{\mu\nu}(t, \mathbf{x}), \dots$

- uniquely defined, e.g., can be derived from Lagrangians
- encode **symmetries**  $\Leftrightarrow$  conserved **Noether currents**

# Thermodynamic variables

$$\partial_\mu j^\mu \equiv 0$$

$$\partial_\nu s^\nu \equiv 0$$

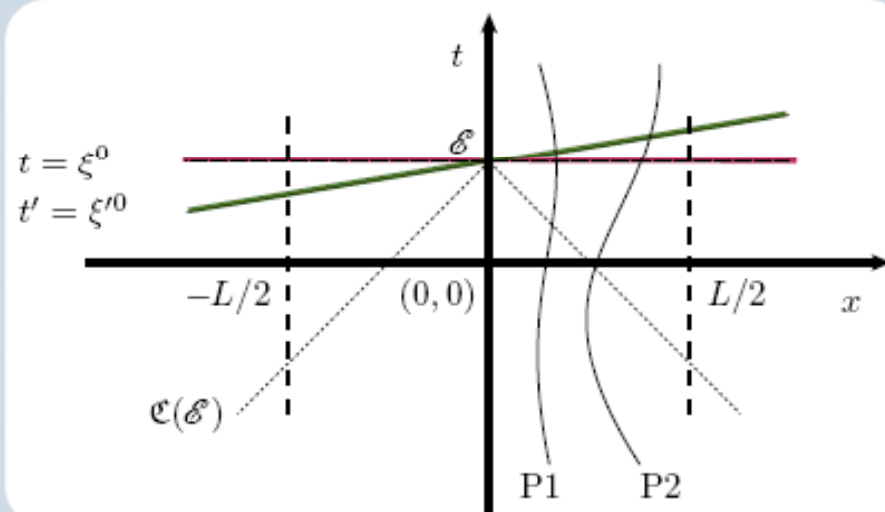
$$\partial_\mu \theta^{\mu i} \neq 0$$

non-local TD variables  $\Leftrightarrow$  surface integrals in space-time

$$\mathcal{N}[\mathfrak{H}] := \int_{\mathfrak{H}} d\sigma_\nu j^\nu = \mathcal{N}[\mathfrak{H}'] \quad \text{scalar}$$

$$\mathcal{S}[\mathfrak{H}] := \int_{\mathfrak{H}} d\sigma_\nu s^\nu = \mathcal{S}[\mathfrak{H}'] \quad \text{scalar}$$

$$\mathcal{U}^\nu[\mathfrak{H}] := \int_{\mathfrak{H}} d\sigma_\mu \theta^{\mu\nu} \neq \mathcal{U}^\nu[\mathfrak{H}'] \quad \text{4-vector}$$



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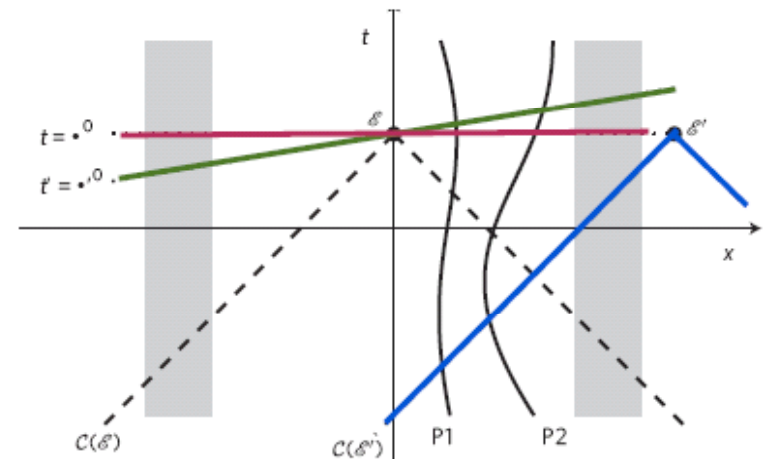
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**SOLUTION:** replace isochronous hyperplanes by lightcones

## Why?

- ✓ photographic measurements
- ✓ equivalent for moving observers
- ✓ GR extension
- ✓ nonrelativistic limit



# “Photographic” thermodynamics

light-cone averaging

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photographic state variables

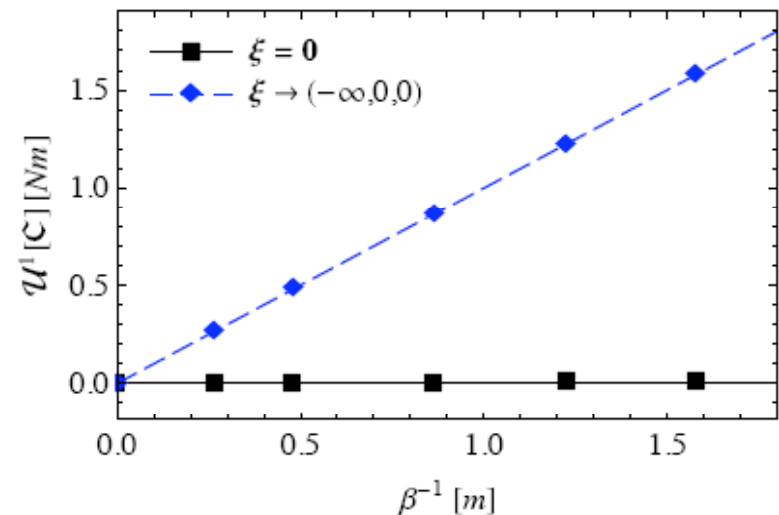
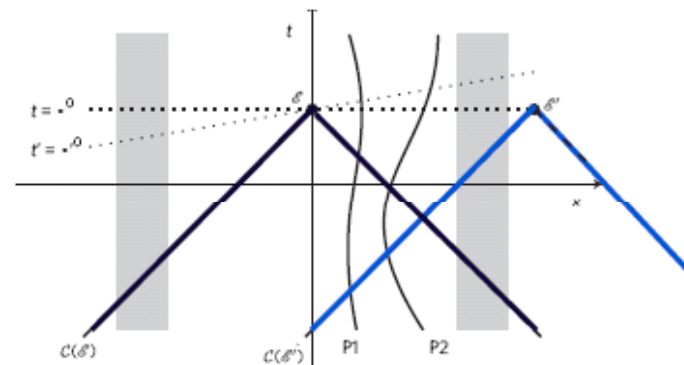
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distant observer (at rest !)

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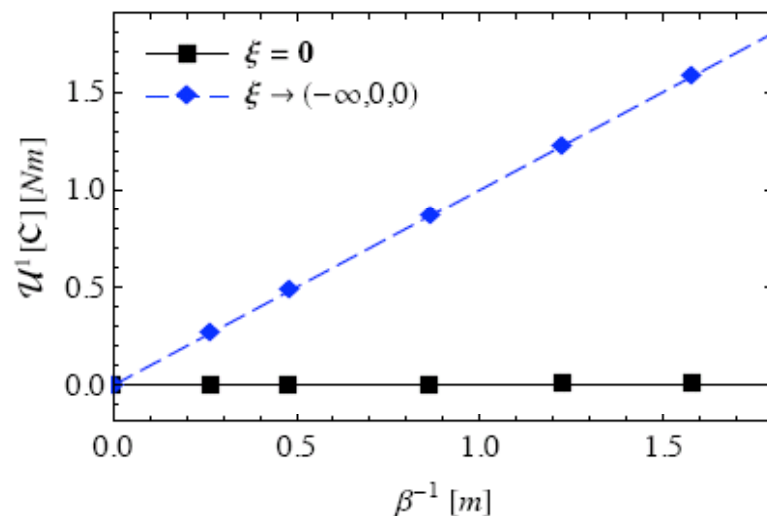
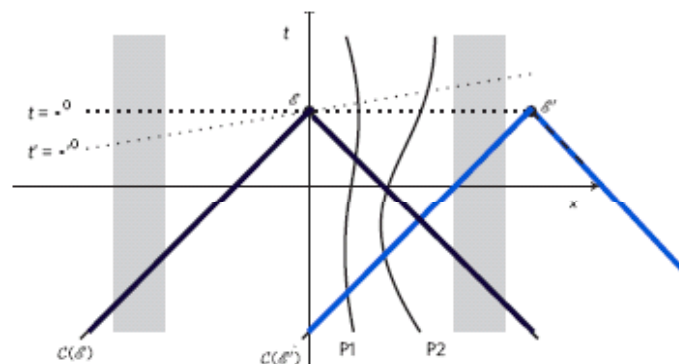
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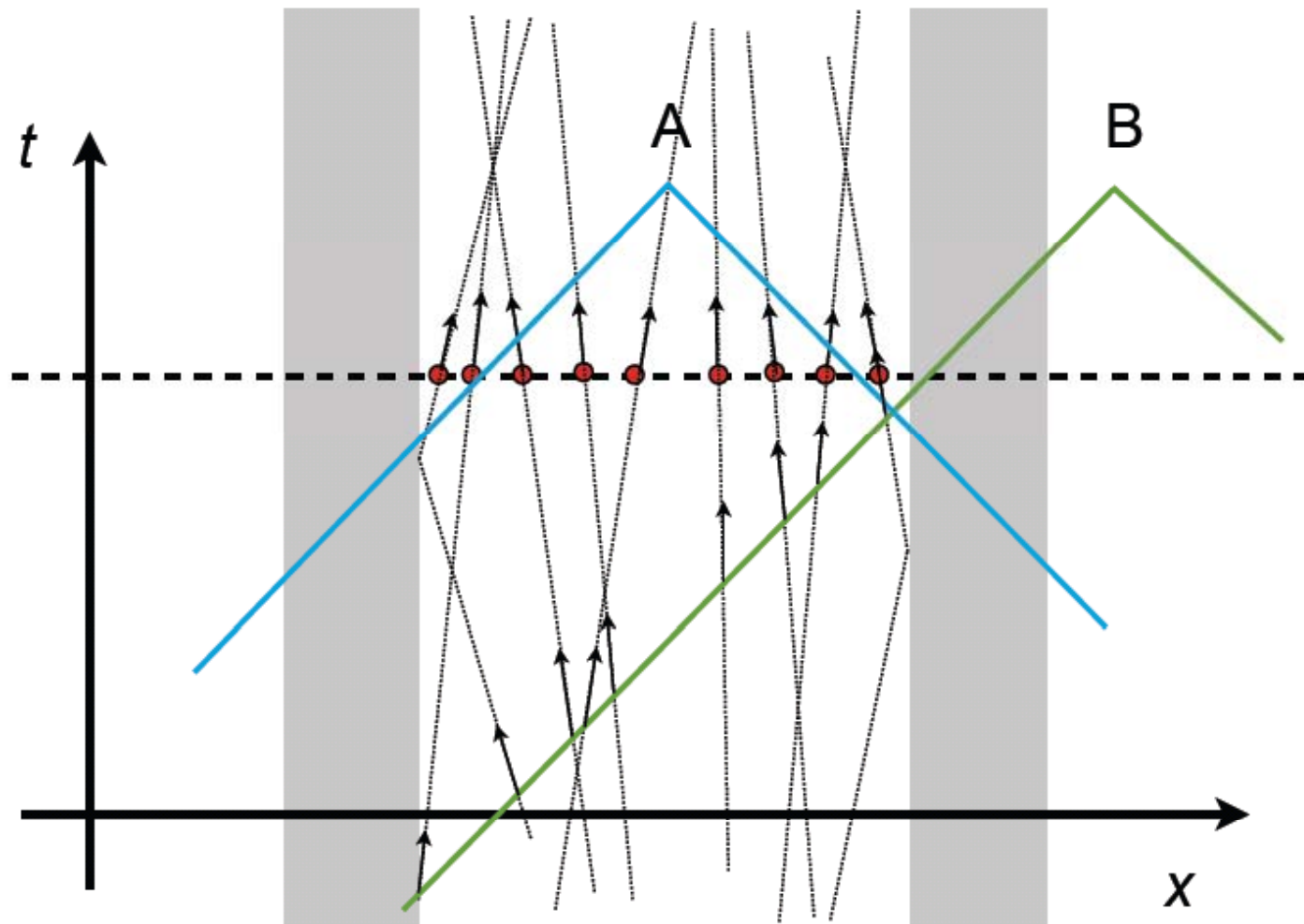
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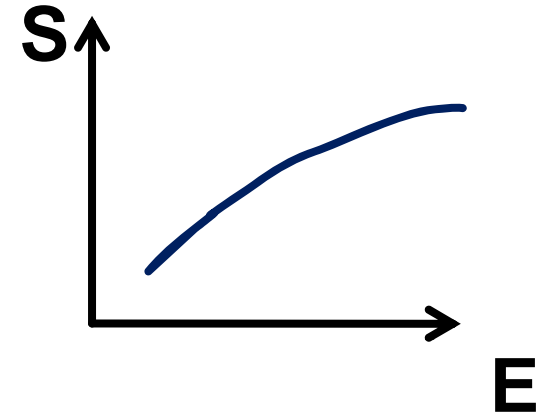


# Take Home Messages

- $\exists$  absolute temperature  $T \geq 0$

- $T = \frac{\partial E}{\partial S} \dots$

with  $S(E)$  a **concave** function of  $E$  !



- $S(E)$  : microcanonical **NOT** always =  $S(E)$  : canonical ( long range, non-ergodic parts )
- $T$  does **NOT** fluctuate
- quantum mechanics: no virial theorem; no equipartion
- relativistic statistical thermometer

$$\mathcal{T}_{\Sigma} = \mathcal{T}_{\Sigma'}$$

ENDE

FIN

THAT'S IT



