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Average energy of Planck's oscillator: If N is the total number of Planck's resonators and E is the total energy, then average energy per Planck's oscillator is given by

$$\bar{\epsilon} = \frac{E}{N} \quad \dots(vii)$$

According to Maxwell's law of molecular motion, if ϵ is a energies $0, \epsilon, 2\epsilon, 3\epsilon, \dots, r\epsilon, \dots$ in the ratio $1 : e^{-\epsilon/kT} : e^{-2\epsilon/kT} : e^{-3\epsilon/kT} : \dots : e^{-r\epsilon/kT} \dots$ etc.

If N_0 is the number of resonators having energy zero, then the number of resonators N_1 having energy ϵ will be $N_0 e^{-\epsilon/kT}$, the number of resonators N_2 having energy 2ϵ will be $N_0 e^{-2\epsilon/kT}$ and in general, the number of resonators N_r having energy $r\epsilon$ will be $N_0 e^{-r\epsilon/kT}$ and so on.

$$\begin{aligned} N &= N_0 + N_1 + N_2 + \dots + N_r + \dots \\ &= N_0 + N_0 e^{-\epsilon/kT} + N_0 e^{-2\epsilon/kT} + \dots + N_0 e^{-r\epsilon/kT} + \dots \\ &= N_0 [1 + e^{-\epsilon/kT} + e^{-2\epsilon/kT} + \dots + e^{-r\epsilon/kT} + \dots] \end{aligned}$$

$e^{-\epsilon/kT} = y$, we have

$$N = N_0 [1 + y + y^2 + \dots + y^r + \dots]$$

$$N = \frac{N_0}{1-y}$$

Handwritten notes:
 $e^{-\frac{2\epsilon}{kT}} = y^2$
 $e^{-\frac{3\epsilon}{kT}} = y^3$
 $e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{kT} \times 2} = y^2$

The total energy of Planck's resonator will be

$$\begin{aligned} E &= 0 \times N_0 + \epsilon \times N_1 + 2\epsilon \times N_2 + \dots + r\epsilon \times N_r + \dots \\ &= 0 \times N_0 + \epsilon N_0 e^{-\epsilon/kT} + 2\epsilon N_0 e^{-2\epsilon/kT} + \dots + r\epsilon N_0 e^{-r\epsilon/kT} + \dots \\ &= N_0 \epsilon [e^{-\epsilon/kT} + 2e^{-2\epsilon/kT} + re^{-r\epsilon/kT} + \dots] \end{aligned}$$

$$= N_0 \epsilon \frac{y}{(1-y)^2}$$

Therefore, the average energy of a resonator will be

$$\bar{\epsilon} = \frac{E}{N} = \frac{N_0 \epsilon \cdot \frac{y}{(1-y)^2}}{\frac{N_0}{1-y}}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon y}{1-y} = \frac{\epsilon e^{-\epsilon/kT}}{1 - e^{-\epsilon/kT}} = \frac{\epsilon}{e^{\epsilon/kT} - 1}$$

According to Planck's hypothesis of quantum theory, $\epsilon = h\nu$, therefore, the average energy of Planck's oscillator is given by

$$\bar{\epsilon} = \frac{h\nu}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1}$$

Therefore, the energy density belonging to the range $d\nu$ can be obtained by multiplying the average energy of Planck's oscillator by the number of oscillators per unit volume, in this frequency range ν and $(\nu + d\nu)$.

$$\text{i.e., } E_\nu d\nu = \left(\frac{8\pi\nu^2}{c^3} d\nu \right) \left(\frac{h\nu}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1} \right)$$

$$\text{or } = \frac{8\pi h\nu^3}{c^3} \cdot \frac{1}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1} d\nu$$

where $E_\nu d\nu$ is energy density (i.e., total energy per unit volume) belonging to the range $d\nu$. Equation (8.14) is called Planck's radiation law.

The energy density $E_\lambda d\lambda$ belonging to range $d\lambda$ can be obtained by using the relation $\nu = \frac{c}{\lambda}$

hence $|d\nu| = \left| -\frac{c}{\lambda^2} d\lambda \right|$ we get

$$E_\lambda d\lambda = \frac{8\pi h}{c^3} \left(\frac{c^3}{\lambda^3} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1} \cdot \left| -\frac{c}{\lambda^2} d\lambda \right|$$

$$= \frac{8\pi hc}{\lambda^5} \cdot \frac{d\lambda}{e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1}$$

This is Planck's radiation law in terms of wavelength.