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Thermodynamics on fuzzy spacetime

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ABSTRACT: We investigate the thermodynamics of non-relativistic and relativistic ideal gases on the spacetime with noncommutative fuzzy geometry. We first find that the heat capacities of the non-relativistic ideal boson and fermion on the fuzzy two-sphere have different values, contrast to that on the commutative geometry. We calculate the “statistical interparticle potential” therein and interpret this property as a result that the non-commutativity of the fuzzy sphere has an inclination to enhance the statistical “attraction (repulsion) interparticle potential” between boson (fermion). We also see that at high temperature the heat capacity approaches to zero. We next evaluate the heat capacities of the non-relativistic ideal boson and fermion on the product of the 1+D (with D=2,3) Minkowski spacetime by a fuzzy two-sphere and see that the fermion capacity could be a decreasing function of temperature in high-temperature limit, contrast to that always being an increasing function on the commutative geometry. Also, the boson and fermion heat capacities both approach to that on the 1+D Minkowski spacetime in high-temperature limit. We discuss these results and mention that the properties may be traced to the mechanism of “thermal reduction of the fuzzy space”. We also investigate the same problems in the relativistic system with free Klein-Gordon field and Dirac field and find the similar properties.

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1 Introduction

Physics on the noncommutative spacetime had been received a great deal of attention [1–8]. Historically, it is a hope that the deformed geometry in the small spacetime would be possible to cure the quantum-field divergences, especially in the gravity theory. The renovation of the interesting in noncommutative field theories is that it have proved to arise naturally in the string/M theories [3, 4]. In the noncommutative geometric approach [5] to the unification of all fundamental interactions, including gravity, the space-time is the product of an ordinary Riemannian manifold M by a finite noncommutative space F . The need for F is to avoid the fermion doubling problem [5]. An advantage of this approach over the traditional grand unification approach is that the reduction to the Standard Model

1+2D flat spacetime + fuzzy sphere	1+2D flat spacetime
$C \approx k n_0 \left(1 + \frac{J^4}{48(mR^2kT)^2}\right) \pm O(n_0^2)$	$C \approx k n_0 - \frac{k}{36(kT)^2} n_0^2$
1+3D flat spacetime + fuzzy sphere	1+3D flat spacetime
$C \approx \frac{3}{2} k \left(n_0 + \frac{J^4}{72(mR^2kT)^2}\right) n_0 \pm O(n_0^2)$	$C \approx \frac{3}{2} k n_0 \mp k n_0^2 \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{4(mkT)^3}$

Table 1. The high-temperature heat capacities of non-relativistic ideal boson and fermion on the Minkowski spacetime + fuzzy two-sphere and that on the flat Minkowski spacetime.

gauge group is not due to plethora of Higgs fields, but is naturally obtained from the order one condition, which is one of the axioms of noncommutative geometry [5].

Motivated by the physical interesting of noncommutative spacetime we will in this paper study the thermodynamics of ideal gas on the spacetime which is the product of a 1+D Minkowski manifold by a noncommutative fuzzy geometry. Note that the noncommutative fuzzy sphere can appear naturally in the string/M theory [6, 7]. It is known to correspond to the sphere D2-branes in string theory with background linear B-field [8]. Also, in the presence of constant RR three-form potential, the D0-branes can expand into a noncommutative fuzzy sphere configuration [9].

In section II we first review the mathematical property of fuzzy sphere [10, 11]. Then, to get some feelings about the thermal property on the fuzzy geometry we first evaluate the heat capacity of the non-relativistic ideal boson and fermion on the fuzzy two-sphere. We see that they have different values, contrast to that on the commutative geometry [12]. In section III we calculate the “statistical interparticle potential” [13] and see that the non-commutativity of the fuzzy sphere has an inclination to enhance the statistical “attraction (repulsion) interparticle potential” between boson (fermion). This statistical property may be used to explain why the ideal boson and fermion on the fuzzy two-sphere have different value of heat capacity.

In section IV we evaluate the heat capacities of the non-relativistic ideal boson and fermion on the product of 1 + D Minkowski spacetime by a fuzzy two-sphere, with D=2,3. We find that the heat capacities therein approach to those on the 1+D Minkowski spacetime in the high-temperature limit. Also, the boson and fermion heat capacities become decreasing function of temperature in high-temperature limit, contrast to the property that fermion heat capacity is always an increasing function on the 1+D commutative geometry. Note that in the 1+2 commutative spacetime the boson and fermion have same heat capacity value which is an increasing function of temperature. The calculations are performed in section 4 and summarized in table 1. We discuss these results and mention that the properties may be traced to the mechanism of “thermal reduction of the fuzzy space”.

In section V we present a simple toy model to see such an interesting property. In section VI we investigate the relativistic system and evaluate the heat capacity of the free Klein-Gordon and Dirac field on the product of 1 + 2 Minkowski spacetime by a fuzzy two-sphere. We also find that the heat capacity therein approaches to that on the 1+ 2 Minkowski spacetime in high-temperature limit. Last section is devoted to a discussion.

Note that the properties of Casimir effect and effective potential on the noncommutative fuzzy space had been studied by us in [14].

2 Thermodynamics of non-relativistic gas on fuzzy two-sphere

The noncommutative fuzzy two-sphere geometry is described by a finite dimensional algebra generated by 3 matrices X_i which satisfies the commutator [10]

$$[X_a, X_b] = i \frac{R}{\sqrt{J(J+1)}} \epsilon_{abc} X_c, \quad a, b, c = 1, 2, 3 \quad \text{and} \quad 2J \in N. \quad (2.1)$$

in which X_a are $(2J+1) \times (2J+1)$ matrices proportional to the $(2J+1)$ -dimensional represent of the generators \mathbf{J} of $SU(2)$ algebra. It is known that in the limit $J \rightarrow \infty$ at fixed R we get the ordinary sphere with radius R . The non-relativistic free particle with mass m on the fuzzy sphere has the spectrum [10]

$$E_\ell = \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2}, \quad \ell = 0 \dots J, \quad (2.2)$$

with degeneracy $2\ell+1$, which will be used in the following calculations.

2.1 Classical statistics of non-relativistic gas

To proceed, let us first investigate the classical statistics in which the partition function is defined by

$$Z = \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) e^{-\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2 kT}}. \quad (2.3)$$

Using the Euler-Maclaurin summation formula [15]

$$\sum_{n=b}^a f(n) = \int_a^b dx f(x) + \frac{1}{2}[f(a) + f(b)] + \frac{1}{12}[f'(a) - f'(b)] + \dots \quad (2.4)$$

the partition function in the high temperature has an approximation value

$$Z \approx 2mR^2 kT \left[1 - e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2 kT}} \right] + \left(J + \frac{2}{3} \right) e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2 kT}} + \dots \quad (2.5)$$

The associated mean energy E and heat capacity C are

$$E(T) = -\frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial \beta} \approx \frac{J(J+1)}{4mR^2} - \frac{J^2(J+1)^2}{48m^2R^4} \frac{1}{kT}. \quad (2.6a)$$

$$C(T) = \frac{\partial E}{\partial T} \approx \frac{J^2(J+1)^2}{48m^2R^4} \frac{1}{kT^2}. \quad (2.6b)$$

The asymptotic value of energy $E(T \rightarrow \infty)$ is just the algebra mean value of (2.2) calculated by

$$\frac{\sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) E_\ell}{\sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1)} = \frac{J(J+1)}{4mR^2} = E(T \rightarrow \infty). \quad (2.7)$$

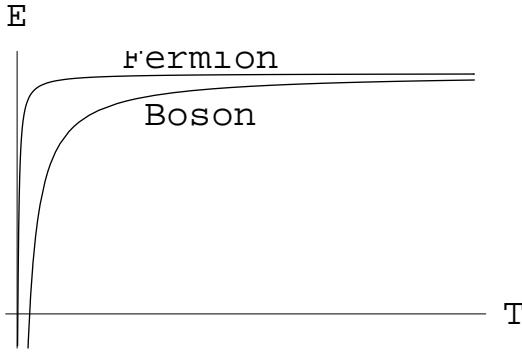


Figure 1. The energy of ideal boson and fermion on the noncommutative fuzzy sphere.

This is a finite value as the maximum energy of a particle has a finite value E_J , in which J is a finite value. The finite asymptotic value $E(\infty)$ implies that the heat capacity becomes zero asymptotically.

Note that we could not use the approximation result (2.6) to find the quantity in the ordinary sphere by taking the limit of $J \rightarrow \infty$. This is because that the approximation adopted in there is suitable only under the condition $\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT} \ll 1$. This property will be found in the following section.

2.2 Non-relativistic ideal boson and fermion

The thermodynamics of ideal boson and fermion could be calculated from the following two relations

$$N = \sum_p \frac{1}{z^{-1}e^{\beta\epsilon} \pm 1}; \quad E = \sum_p \frac{\epsilon}{z^{-1}e^{\beta\epsilon} \pm 1}, \quad (2.8)$$

where z is fugacity of the ideal gas, which is related to the chemical potential μ through the formula $z \equiv \exp(\mu/kT)$ [12]. Using the spectrum (2.2) the numerical results of the energy for ideal boson and fermion are plotted in figure 1.

Figure 1 shows that the heat capacities of the ideal boson and fermion on the fuzzy two-sphere have different values, contrast to that on the commutative geometry. Also, as the gas have a finite maximum energy the associated heat capacity becomes zero asymptotically.

2.2.1 High-temperature expansion

To see the above property we can perform the high-temperature expansion (i.e. $\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2} \ll kT$) to (2.8) with a help of Euler-Maclaurin summation formula (2.4). The results are

$$\begin{aligned} N &\approx z \left[2mkTR^2 \left(1 - e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} \right) + \left(J + \frac{2}{3} \right) e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} + \frac{1}{3} \right] \\ &\quad \mp z^2 \left[mkTR^2 \left(1 - e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{mR^2kT}} \right) + \left(J + \frac{2}{3} \right) e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{mR^2kT}} + \frac{1}{3} \right] + O(z^3). \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} E &\approx \frac{1}{2mR^2} \left[z \left((2mR^2kT)^2 \left(1 - e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} \right) - 2mkTR^2J(J+1)e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \mp z^2 \left((mR^2kT)^2 \left(1 - e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{mR^2kT}} \right) - mkTR^2J(J+1)e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{mR^2kT}} \right) \right] + O(z^3). \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

In the case of $1 \ll J(J+1) \ll 2mR^2kT$ we can use (2.9) to express the fugacity z as a function of N . After substituting this relation into (2.10) we find that the relation between the energy density and number density becomes

$$\varepsilon \approx \left(\frac{J^2}{4mR^2} - \frac{J^4}{24mR^2} \frac{1}{2mR^2kT} \right) n_0 \pm \frac{J^2}{6m} \frac{1}{2mR^2kT} n_0^2, \quad (2.11)$$

which shows a different behavior between the heat capacity of the ideal boson and fermion on the fuzzy two-sphere. Note that, as the boson and fermion gas have a finite maximum energy the associated heat capacity becomes zero asymptotically. Above equation is consistent with (2.6a) when $J \gg 1$.

2.2.2 Low-temperature expansion

In the low temperature the fugacity does not approach to zero and we need to adopt another approach. For the case of fermion gas we can first use the Euler-Maclaurin summation formula (2.4) to express the particle number as

$$N = \sum_{\ell=0}^J \frac{2\ell+1}{z^{-1}e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} + 1} \approx \frac{2mR^2}{\beta} \left(-\ell n(1 + ze^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}}) + \ell n(1 + z) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1+z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{2J+1}{1+z^{-1}e^{\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}}}. \quad (2.12)$$

In the low temperature the fugacity become infinite and above relation can be approximated as

$$N \approx \frac{2mR^2}{\beta} \left(-ze^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} + \ell n z \right) + \frac{1}{2} (1 - z^{-1}) + \frac{1}{2} (2J+1) ze^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}}, \quad (2.13)$$

which implies that

$$z \approx e^{\frac{N}{2mR^2kT}} - Je^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}}. \quad (2.14)$$

Note that substituting above result into the last term in (2.13) we see that

$$ze^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} \approx e^{\frac{N-J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} - Je^{\frac{-2J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} \rightarrow 0, \quad (2.15)$$

at low temperature, as the total particle number N shall be less then the total acceptable state $N_{\max} \equiv \sum_{\ell=0}^J 2\ell + 1$. Thus the low temperature expansion in (2.13) is a consistent method.

Next, we also use the Euler-Maclaurin summation formula (2.4) to express the particle energy as

$$E = \sum_{\ell=0}^J \frac{2\ell+1}{z^{-1}e^{-\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} + 1} \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2} \approx 2mR^2(kT)^2 \left(-\text{Li}_2(-z^{-1}e^{\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}}) + \text{Li}_2(-z^{-1}) \right) - kT \ell n(1 + z^{-1}e^{\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}}) + \frac{1}{2mR^2} \left(\frac{J^4}{2} + \frac{J^3}{1+z^{-1}e^{\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}}} \right), \quad (2.16)$$

in which $\text{Li}_2(\mp y)$ is the polylogarithm function which has a series expansion formula [15]

$$\text{Li}_2(y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{y^k}{k^2}. \quad (2.17)$$

In the low temperature, as the fugacity $z \rightarrow \infty$ the term $\text{Li}_2(-z^{-1})$ in (2.17) could be expressed a series expansion. However, as $z^{-1} e^{\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} \rightarrow \infty$ (as explained in (2.15)) we have to use the “inversion formula” [15]

$$\text{Li}_2(y) + \text{Li}_2(y^{-1}) = -\frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{1}{2} (\ln(-y))^2, \quad (2.18)$$

to make a series expansion about another polylogarithm function in (2.16). After a lengthy algebra evaluations we find that the energy density becomes

$$\frac{E}{4\pi R^2} = \frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{n_0^2}{2} + \frac{\pi^2}{6} (kT)^2 \right) + O(e^{-J^2/R^2kT}), \quad (2.19)$$

in which n_0 is the particle number density. Above result is just the relation in the commutative system with small correction $O(e^{-J^2/R^2kT})$.

Note that at zero temperature the particle will filled from the state $\ell = 0$ to $\ell = J$. In the case of $J \gg 1$ the total particle number and associated energy are

$$N = \sum_{\ell=0}^J \approx J^2, \quad E = \sum_{\ell=0}^J \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2m} \approx \frac{1}{2m} \frac{J^4}{2}, \quad \Rightarrow E = \frac{1}{2m} \frac{N^2}{2} \quad (2.20)$$

which precisely give the leading term in (2.19).

Let us present the physical interpretation about these thermal properties to conclude this section.

1. At high energy, as the system has a maximum value in the spectrum $E_J = \frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2}$ the system therefore has a finite limiting energy as shown in (2.6a) and (2.11). This implies that the heat capacity becomes zero asymptotically.
2. At low temperature, as the particles are at low energy level they does not feel the constraint property of $\ell \leq J$, the system will behave as that on the commutative space, as shown in (2.19).
3. It is well known that, in comparison with the normal statistical behavior, bosons exhibit a larger tendency of bunching together, i.e., a positive statistical correlation. In contrast, fermions exhibit a negative statistical correlation. Uhlenbeck [13] interpreted this property by the “statistical interparticle potential”. In our model, particle on the fuzzy sphere will be constrained between the state with quantum number $\ell = 0$ and $\ell = J$. Therefore the fermion will feel more statistic repulsive effect and the boson will feel more statistic attractive effect, as shown in the next section. The extra statistical effect, which is induced by the fuzzy property, will render the the heat capacities of the ideal boson and fermion on the fuzzy two-sphere to have different values, contrast to that on the commutative geometry, as shown in (2.11).

3 Statistical interparticle potential

We now following the Uhlenbeck [12, 13] to evaluate the “statistical interparticle potential” for the non-relativistic ideal boson and fermion on the fuzzy two-sphere.

Define the one particle matrix element of the Boltzmann factor by

$$F_{ij} = \langle X_i | e^{-\beta H} | X_j \rangle, \quad (3.1)$$

then the matrix element of the Boltzmann factor for a system of two identical particles can be written as

$$\langle X_1, X_2 | e^{-\beta H} | X_1, X_2 \rangle = F_{11}F_{22} \pm F_{12}F_{21}, \quad (3.2)$$

where the plus (minus) sign is adopted for the boson (fermion) system. For a translation symmetry system $F_{11} = F_{22}$ and $F_{12} = F_{21}$ and density matrix element becomes [12]

$$\langle X_1, X_2 | \tilde{\rho} | X_1, X_2 \rangle = \frac{1}{V^2} \left[1 \pm \frac{F_{12}^2}{F_{11}^2} \right], \quad (3.3)$$

in which we define the density matrix by $\tilde{\rho} \equiv \frac{e^{-\beta H}}{\text{Tr } e^{-\beta H}}$ [12] and V is the system volume. The “statistical interparticle potential” U is defined to be such that the Boltzmann factor $\exp(-\beta v)$ is precisely equal to the correlation factor (bracket term) in the above equation, i.e.,

$$U = -kT\ell n \left[1 \pm \frac{F_{12}^2}{F_{11}^2} \right]. \quad (3.4)$$

Now, as the particle wave function on the fuzzy sphere is spherical harmonics $Y_\ell^m(\theta, \phi)$ [10] with $\ell \leq J$, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} F_{11} &= \text{Tr} \langle X_1 | e^{-\beta H} | X_1 \rangle = \sum_p \langle X_1 | p \rangle \langle p | e^{-\beta H} | p \rangle \langle p | X_1 \rangle \\ &= \sum_\ell \sum_{m_1} \sum_{m_2} \int d\phi d\theta \sin \theta Y_\ell^{*m_1}(\theta, \phi) Y_\ell^{m_2}(\theta, \phi) e^{-\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2kT}} = \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1)\ell e^{-\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2kT}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{12} &= \langle X_1 | e^{-\beta H} | X_2 \rangle = \sum_p \langle X_1 | p \rangle \langle p | e^{-\beta H} | p \rangle \langle p | X_2 \rangle \\ &= \sum_\ell \sum_{m_1} \sum_{m_2} Y_\ell^{*m_1}(\theta_1, \phi_1) Y_\ell^{m_2}(\theta_2, \phi_2) e^{-\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2kT}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

Substituting (3.5) and (3.6) into (3.4) the “statistical interparticle potential” is plotted in figure 2. The dashed line represents that with $J = 5$ while solid line is that with $J = 12$.

Above results show that the fuzzy of sphere with finite value of J will enhance the negative statistical correlation between fermion and enhances the positive statistical correlation between bosons. Thus the thermal property of the boson and fermion gas on fuzzy sphere will have different heat capacity, contrast to that on the commutative geometry.

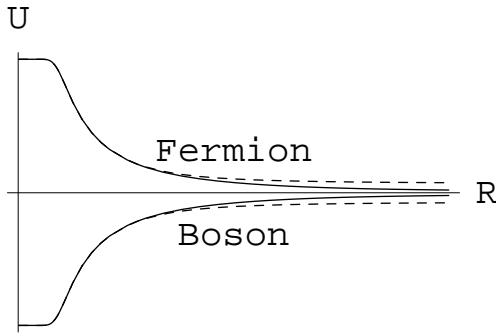


Figure 2. “Statistical interparticle potential” $U(R)$ on the fuzzy geometry. Dashed lines represents that with $J = 5$ while solid line is that with $J = 12$.

4 Thermodynamics of non-relativistic gas on 1+D Minkowski spacetime with Extra Fuzzy Sphere

We now investigate the thermodynamics of boson and fermion on 1+D Minkowski spacetime with extra fuzzy sphere. We will see that at high temperature the thermodynamics of ideal gas will behave as that on the 1+D Minkowski spacetime without the extra fuzzy sphere. This “mechanism of thermal reduction of fuzzy geometry” will qualitatively modify the heat capacity of the gas.

4.1 Thermodynamics on 1 + 2 Minkowski spacetime with Extra Fuzzy Sphere

In the high-temperature limit (i.e. $\frac{J(J+1)}{2mR^2} \ll kT$) the thermodynamics of ideal boson and fermion on the 1+2 Minkowski spacetime with extra fuzzy sphere could be studied from the following analysis.

$$N = \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \int dp p \frac{1}{z^{-1} e^{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2 kT} + \frac{p^2}{2mkT}} \pm 1} \approx z \left[\frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \int dp p e^{\frac{-p^2}{2mkT}} \right] \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) e^{\frac{-\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2 kT}} \mp z^2 \left[\frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \int dp p e^{\frac{-p^2}{mkT}} \right] \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) e^{\frac{-\ell(\ell+1)}{mkT}} \approx \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} 2mkT [z \cdot W1 \mp z^2 \cdot W2]. \quad (4.1)$$

$$E = \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \int dp p \frac{\frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2}}{z^{-1} e^{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2 kT} + \frac{p^2}{2mkT}} \pm 1} \approx \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} [2mkT(z \cdot W1 \mp z^2 \cdot W2) + (2mkT)^2(z \cdot W3 \mp z^2 \cdot W4)], \quad (4.2)$$

in which S is the area of Minkowski space and we have defined

$$W1 \equiv 2mkTR^2 \left(1 - e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{2mR^2 kT}} \right) + (J + 2/3) e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{2mR^2 kT}} + 1/3. \quad (4.3)$$

$$W2 \equiv mkTR^2 \left(1 - e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{mR^2 kT}} \right) + (J + 2/3) e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{mR^2 kT}} + 1/3. \quad (4.4)$$

$$W3 \equiv (2mkTR^2)^2 \left(1 - e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}} \right) - 2mkTR^2 J(J+1) e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{2mR^2kT}}. \quad (4.5)$$

$$W4 \equiv (mkTR^2)^2 \left(1 - e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{mR^2kT}} \right) - mkTR^2 J(J+1) e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{mR^2kT}}. \quad (4.6)$$

Using (4.1) we can express the fugacity z as a function of N . After substituting this relation into (4.2) we can find the energy. The associated heat capacity is

$$C \approx k n_0 \left(1 + \frac{J^4}{48(mR^2kT)^2} \right) \pm O(n_0^2), \quad (\text{gas on } 1+2 \text{ flat space + fuzzy sphere}), \quad (4.7)$$

in which n_0 is the particle number density. Above result shows that the heat capacity is a decreasing function of temperature. Note that in the 1+2 commutative spacetime the heat capacity of boson and fermion has a same value

$$C \approx k n_0 - \frac{k}{36(kT)^2} n_0^2, \quad (\text{gas on } 1+2 \text{ flat space}), \quad (4.8)$$

which is an increasing function of temperature.

Above result may be interpreted as following. At low temperature, as the particles are at low energy level they does not feel the constraint property of $\ell \leq J$ the system will behave as that on the 1+2+2 commutative space. However, at high temperature, as the system has a maximum value in the spectrum $\ell \leq J$ the heat capacity of the system therefore behave as that on the 1+2 commutative space asymptotically. This “mechanism of thermal reduction of fuzzy geometry” will render the heat capacity of boson and fermion to be a decreasing function at high temperature.

4.2 Thermodynamics on 1+3 Minkowski spacetime with Extra Fuzzy Sphere

The high-temperature thermodynamics of ideal boson and fermion on the 1+3 Minkowski spacetime with extra fuzzy sphere could be studied from the following analysis.

$$N = \frac{4\pi V}{h^3} \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \int dp p^2 \frac{1}{z^{-1} e^{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2kT} + \frac{p^2}{2mkT}} \pm 1} \approx z \left[\frac{4\pi V}{h^3} \int dp p^2 e^{\frac{-p^2}{2mkT}} \right] \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) e^{\frac{-\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2kT}} \mp z^2 \left[\frac{4\pi V}{h^3} \int dp p^2 e^{\frac{-p^2}{mkT}} \right] \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) e^{\frac{-\ell(\ell+1)}{mR^2kT}} = \frac{4\pi V}{h^3} \frac{\sqrt{\pi}(2mkT)^{3/2}}{4} [z \cdot W1 \mp z^2 \cdot W2]. \quad (4.9)$$

$$E = \frac{4\pi V}{h^3} \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \int dp p^2 \frac{\frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2}}{z^{-1} e^{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2mR^2kT} + \frac{p^2}{2mkT}} \pm 1} \approx \frac{4\pi V}{h^3} \left[\frac{3\sqrt{\pi}(2mkT)^{5/2}}{8} (z \cdot W1 \mp z^2 \cdot W2) + \frac{\sqrt{\pi}(2mkT)^{3/2}}{4} (z \cdot W3 \mp z^2 \cdot W4) \right], \quad (4.10)$$

in which V is the volume of Minkowski space. $W1$, $W2$, $W3$ and $W4$ are defined in (4.3)-(4.6). Now, using (4.9) we can express the fugacity z as a function of N . After substituting this relation into (4.10) we can find the energy. The associated heat capacity is

$$C \approx \frac{3}{2} k \left(n_0 + \frac{J^4}{72(mR^2kT)^2} \right) n_0 \pm O(n_0^2), \quad (\text{gas on } 1+3 \text{ flat space + fuzzy sphere}), \quad (4.11)$$

in which n_0 is the particle number density. Above result shows that the heat capacity is a decreasing function of temperature. Note that in the 1+3 commutative spacetime the heat capacity of boson and fermion has a same value

$$C \approx \frac{3}{2} k n_0 \mp k n_0^2 \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{4(mkT)^3}, \quad (\text{gas on } 1+3 \text{ flat space}), \quad (4.12)$$

which shows that the heat capacity of boson is a decreasing function of temperature while that of fermion is an increasing function [12].

The physical interpretation is the same as that in previous subsection. Thus the “mechanism of thermal reduction of the extra fuzzy space” could render a particle to behave as that on lower commutative space, and it will have less heat capacity. The heat capacity, therefore will be a decreasing function at high temperature. Note that in the 1+3 commutative space the boson has Bose-Einstein condensation, thus it has a very large heat capacity at transition temperature T_c . Therefore, increasing the temperature beyond the T_c it will be a decreasing function.

More precisely, at low temperature the system does not feel the finite value property of J and the particle will have the thermal property like as that on the commutative 1+3+2 commutative spacetime. In this case the heat capacity is an increasing function of temperature. However, at high temperature the quantum level of extra fuzzy space is all occupied and the particle will behave as that on lower space. Thus it will have less heat capacity. This “mechanism of thermal reduction of the extra fuzzy space” could lead the heat capacity to be a decreasing function of temperature and the heat capacity has a “peak value” near the temperature of “thermal reduction”. The interesting property could be seen in the following toy model.

5 A toy model

For example, let us consider a simplest toy model of classical particle which has spectrum

$$E = a \cdot n + b \cdot \ell, \quad 0 \leq n \leq \infty, \quad 0 \leq \ell \leq J. \quad (5.1)$$

The mode with quantum number $0 \leq n \leq \infty$ is used to describe a simple harmonic oscillator and the mode with finite quantum number $0 \leq \ell \leq J$ is used to simulate that on the fuzzy geometry. In this model the partition function and the heat capacity could be evaluated exactly. We plot the heat capacity in figure 3.

We have explicitly seen that if $J \neq 0$ then there is a peak in the system capacity. The associated heat capacity at low temperature is

$$C \approx \frac{1}{kT^2} \left[a^2 e^{-a/kT} + b^2 e^{-b/kT} \right], \quad \text{low temperature}, \quad (5.2)$$

in which the quantum modes n and ℓ contribute the similar behavior in heat capacity, which is an increasing function at low temperature. On the other hand, at high temperature the associated heat capacity becomes

$$C \approx k + \frac{1}{12kT^2} \left[b^2 J(J+2) - a^2 \right], \quad \text{high temperature}. \quad (5.3)$$

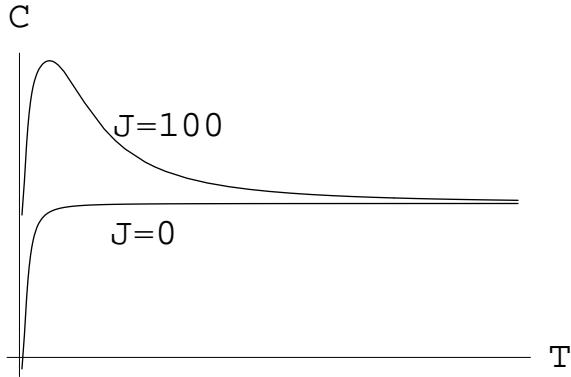


Figure 3. The heat capacity of the model with spectrum (5.1) when $a=b=1$.

We see that the quantum mode n contributes heat capacity value $k - \frac{a^2}{12kT^2}$, which is an increasing function, and quantum mode ℓ contributes heat capacity value $\frac{1}{12kT^2} [b^2 J(J+2)]$, which is a decreasing function at high temperature. Therefore, in the case of large J with relation $b^2 J(J+2) > a^2$ the model will show a “peak value” in heat capacity, as shown in figure 3.

6 Thermodynamics of relativistic gas on fuzzy spacetime

We now turn to the problems with relativistic gas. The Klein-Gordon field equation on the product of Minkowski spacetime (with coordinate \vec{x}) by a fuzzy two-sphere (with coordinate J_i) is

$$\left[\partial_t^2 - \vec{\nabla}_{\vec{x}}^2 - J_1^2 - J_2^2 - J_3^2 \right] \Phi + m^2 \Phi = 0. \quad (6.1)$$

Expanding the scalar field as a product of plane wave $e^{-ip \cdot x}$ and spherical harmonic function $Y_m^\ell(\theta, \phi)$ then we see that the spectrum of scalar field is [10]

$$E_\ell^2 = \vec{p}^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2} + m^2, \quad \ell = 0 \dots J, \quad (6.2)$$

with degeneracy $2\ell+1$. The Dirac field has a similar relation. Note that the finite value of quantum number ℓ characterizes the fuzzy property of the fuzzy sphere. We will in following analyze the system will massless field for simplicity.

6.1 Thermodynamics of relativistic gas on fuzzy two-sphere

6.1.1 Classical statistics of relativistic gas

Let us first investigate the classical statistics for the relativistic gas on fuzzy two-sphere. In this case the partition function is defined by

$$Z = \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) e^{-\frac{\sqrt{\ell(\ell+1)/R^2}}{kT}}. \quad (6.3)$$

Using the Euler-Maclaurin summation formula in (2.4) the partition function in the high temperature (i.e. $\sqrt{J(J+1)/R^2} \ll kT$) has an approximation value

$$Z \approx 2R^2(kT)^2 \left[1 - \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{J}}{RkT} \right) e^{-\frac{\sqrt{\ell(\ell+1)/R^2}}{kT}} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + (1+2J) e^{-\frac{\sqrt{\ell(\ell+1)/R^2}}{kT}} \right] + \dots \quad (6.4)$$

The associated mean energy E and heat capacity C are

$$E(T) = -\frac{\partial \ln Z}{\partial \beta} \approx \frac{J}{2R} - \frac{J^2}{4R^2} \frac{1}{kT}. \quad (6.5a)$$

$$C(T) = \frac{\partial E}{\partial T} \approx \frac{J^2}{4R^2} \frac{1}{kT^2}. \quad (6.5b)$$

The asymptotic value of energy $E(T \rightarrow \infty)$ is just the algebra mean value of (6.2) calculated by

$$\frac{\sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) E_\ell}{\sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1)} = \frac{J}{2R} = E(T \rightarrow \infty). \quad (6.6)$$

This is a finite value as the maximum energy of a particle has a finite value E_J , in which J is a finite value. The finite asymptotic value $E(\infty)$ implies that the heat capacity becomes zero asymptotically, as that in the non-relativistic system analyzed in section II.

6.1.2 Relativistic ideal boson and fermion

The thermodynamics of relativistic ideal boson and fermion field could be studied from the standard analysis [12] and we can perform the calculation from the (2.8). Using the spectrum (6.2) and with a help of Euler-Maclaurin summation formula (2.4) the results in high temperature are

$$N \approx z \left[3J - \left(\frac{2J^{3/2}}{3RkT} + \frac{\sqrt{J(J+1)(1+2J)}}{2RkT} \right) \right] \mp z^2 \left[3J + \left(\frac{4J^{3/2}}{3RkT} + \frac{\sqrt{J(J+1)(1+2J)}}{RkT} \right) \right], \quad (6.7)$$

$$E \approx z \left[\left(\frac{2J^{3/2}}{3R} + \frac{\sqrt{J(J+1)(1+2J)}}{2R} \right) + \left(\frac{J^2}{2R^2kT} - \frac{J(J+1)(1+2J)}{2R^2kT} \right) \right] \mp z \left[\left(\frac{2J^{3/2}}{3R} + \frac{\sqrt{J(J+1)(1+2J)}}{2R} \right) + \left(\frac{J^2}{R^2kT} - \frac{J(J+1)(1+2J)}{R^2kT} \right) \right]. \quad (6.8)$$

We can use (6.7) to express the fugacity z as a function of N . After substituting this relation into (6.8) we find that the relation between the energy density ε and number density n_0 becomes

$$\varepsilon \approx k \left(\frac{J}{2R} - \frac{J^2}{8R^2kT} \right) n_0 \pm \frac{J}{16R^2kT} k n_0^2, \quad (6.9)$$

which shows a different behavior between the heat capacity of the ideal boson and fermion. Note that, as the boson and fermion gases have a finite maximum energy the associated heat capacity becomes zero asymptotically as that in the non-relativistic system which are analyzed in section II. Above equation is consistent with (6.6).

6.2 Thermodynamics of relativistic gas on 1+2 Minkowski spacetime with Extra Fuzzy Sphere

To proceed, let us first remark that in order to have the analytic result we will investigate the system of massless free field on the 1+2 Minkowski spacetime with Extra Fuzzy Sphere. Note that, as the property we attempt to see is shown at high temperature, in which the quantum field will become asymptotic free and mass of the field is irrelevant. Also, the property we find will be shown in 1+3 Minkowski spacetime, after numerical analysis.

Then, the thermodynamics of quantum Klein-Gordon field and Dirac field on the Kaluza-Klein spacetime of “1+2 + fuzzy sphere” could be studied from the standard analysis [12]. The total particle number N and energy E could therefore be evaluated from the two relations in (2.8). Using the spectrum (6.2) we find the following expressions in the high-temperature approximation (i.e. $\sqrt{\frac{J(J+1)}{R^2}} \ll kT$)

$$\begin{aligned}
N &\equiv \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \int dp p \frac{1}{z^{-1} e^{\beta \sqrt{p^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}} \pm 1} \\
&\approx \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \left[z \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \int dp p e^{-\beta \sqrt{p^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}} \mp z^2 \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \int dp p e^{-2\beta \sqrt{p^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}} \right] \\
&\approx \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \left[z \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \frac{e^{-\beta \sqrt{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}}}{\beta^2} \left(1 + \beta \sqrt{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. \mp z^2 \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \frac{e^{-2\beta \sqrt{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}}}{4\beta^2} \left(1 + 2\beta \sqrt{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}} \right) \right]. \tag{6.10}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E &\equiv \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \int dp p \frac{\sqrt{p^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}}{z^{-1} e^{\beta \sqrt{p^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}} \pm 1} \\
&\approx \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \left[z \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \int dp p \sqrt{p^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}} e^{-\beta \sqrt{p^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. \mp z^2 \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \int dp p \sqrt{p^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}} e^{-2\beta \sqrt{p^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}} \right] \\
&\approx \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \left[z \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \frac{e^{-\beta \sqrt{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}}}{\beta^3 R^2} \left(\beta^2 \ell(\ell+1) + 2 \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}} \right) R^2 \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. \mp z^2 \sum_{\ell=0}^J (2\ell+1) \frac{e^{-2\beta \sqrt{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}}}}{8\beta^3 R^2} \left(4\beta^2 \ell(\ell+1) + 2 \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{R^2}} \right) R^2 \right) \right], \tag{6.11}
\end{aligned}$$

in which S is the area of Minkowski space. Using the Euler-Maclaurin formula in (2.4) to

perform the summation in above the total particle number becomes

$$N \approx \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \left[z \left(6R^2(kT)^4 - 2J^2(kT)^2 e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{RkT}} + \frac{1}{2}(kT)^2 \right) \right. \\ \left. \mp z^2 \left(6R^2(kT/2)^4 - 2J^2(kT/2)^2 e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{R^2kT/2}} + \frac{1}{2}(kT/2)^2 \right) \right], \quad (6.12)$$

and the total energy becomes

$$E \approx \frac{2\pi S}{h^2} \left[z \left(24R^2(kT)^5 - 10J^2(kT)^3 e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{RkT}} + (kT)^3 \right) \right. \\ \left. \mp z^2 \left(24R^2(kT/2)^5 - 10J^2(kT/2)^3 e^{\frac{-J(J+1)}{R^2kT/2}} + (kT/2)^3 \right) \right], \quad (6.13)$$

Using (6.12) we can express the fugacity z as a function of N . After substituting this relation into (6.13) we can find the energy and the associated heat capacity at high temperature becomes

$$C \approx k \left(2 + \frac{J^2}{2R^2} \frac{1}{(kT)^2} \right) n_0 \pm k \left(\frac{1}{16} + \frac{13}{192} \frac{J^2}{R^2} \frac{1}{(kT)^2} \right) n_0^2, \quad (6.14)$$

in which n_0 is the particle number density. Above result shows that the heat capacity of fermion is a decreasing function of temperature, in high-temperature limit, contrast to that always being an increasing function on the commutative geometry [12]. Above property also shows in 1+3 Minkowski spacetime with extra fuzzy sphere, after numerical analysis.

According to the equipartition theorem [12] the particle on the 1+2 Minkowski spacetime will have two degrees of freedom. As each degree of freedom of the relativistic particle will contribute the heat capacity $k n_0$ in high-temperature limit. Result in (6.14) tells us that the relativistic particle in 1+2 Minkowski spacetime with extra fuzzy sphere behaves as that on 1+2 Minkowski spacetime in high-temperature limit. This shows explicitly the “mechanism of thermal reduction of the fuzzy space”.

7 Discussion

In this paper we have studied the thermodynamics of ideal gas on the spacetime with extra fuzzy geometry. We first evaluate the heat capacities of the non-relativistic ideal boson and fermion on the fuzzy two-sphere. We see that they have different values, contrast to that on the commutative geometry [12]. We have calculated the “statistical interparticle potential” [13] and see that the noncommutativity of the fuzzy sphere has an inclination to enhance the statistical “attraction (repulsion) interparticle potential” between boson (fermion). This statistical property may be used to explain why the ideal boson and fermion on the fuzzy two-sphere have different value of heat capacity. We also see that, at high temperature the heat capacity approaches to zero as the all quantum levels on fuzzy two-sphere are occupied.

We next evaluate the heat capacity of the non-relativistic ideal boson and fermion on the product of 1+D (with D=2,3) Minkowski spacetime by a fuzzy two-sphere and see that the heat capacity is a decreasing function of temperature in high-temperature limit. We

argue that at high temperature the quantum level of extra fuzzy space is all occupied and the particle will behave as that on the a reduced space of 1+D Minkowski spacetime . This “mechanism of thermal reduction of the fuzzy space” could lead the heat capacity of boson and fermion to be a decreasing function of temperature.

We finally investigate the relativistic system and evaluate the heat capacity of the free scalar and Dirac field on the product of 1 + 2 Minkowski spacetime by a fuzzy two-sphere. We also find the similar properties in the relativistic system.

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