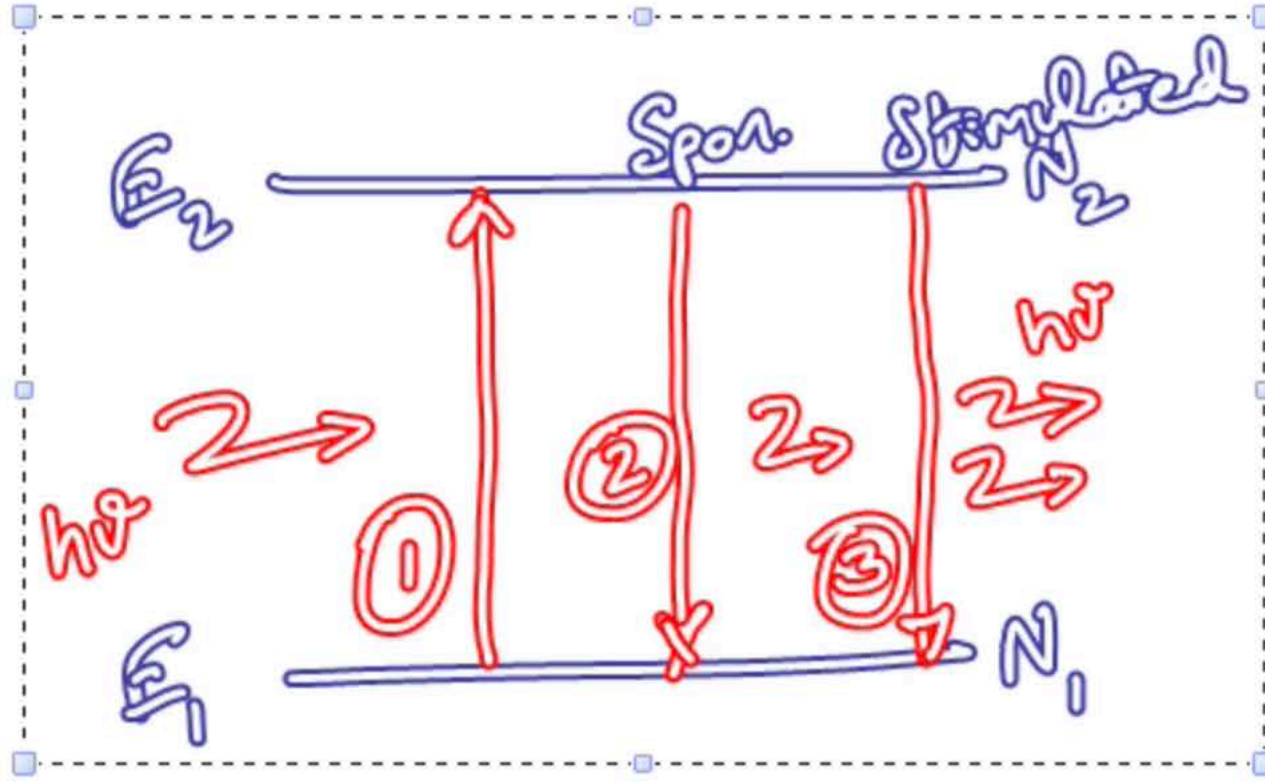


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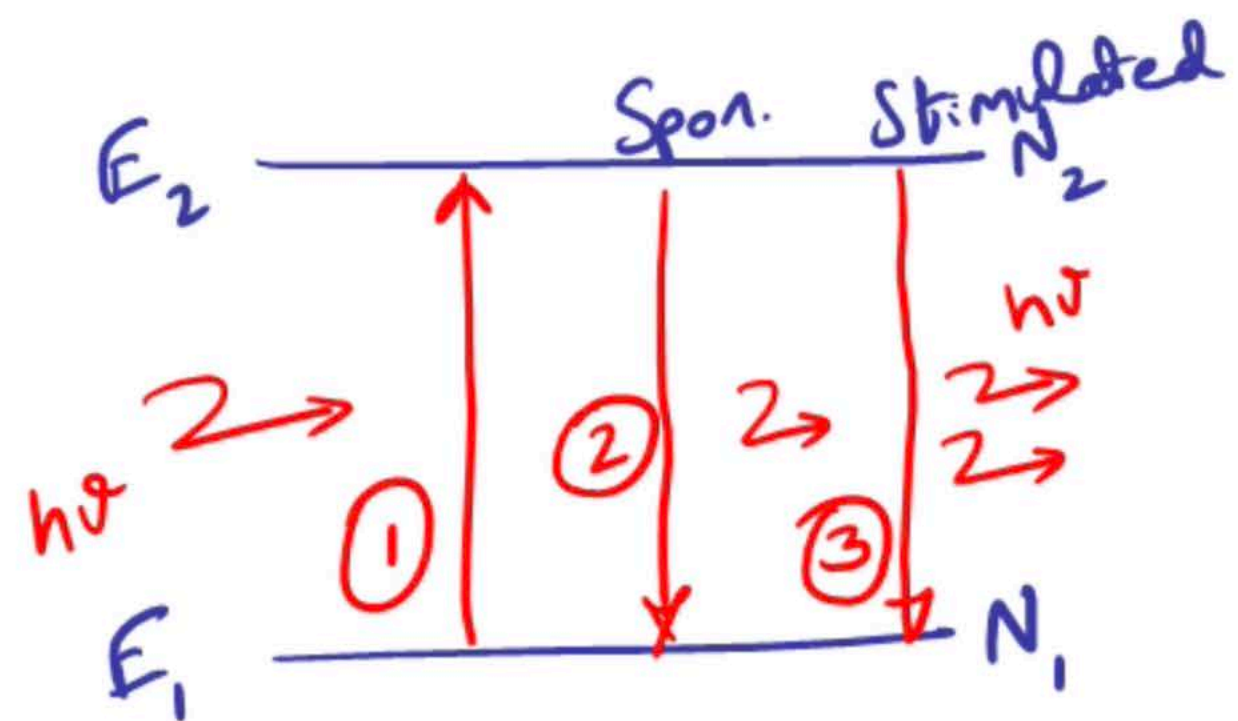
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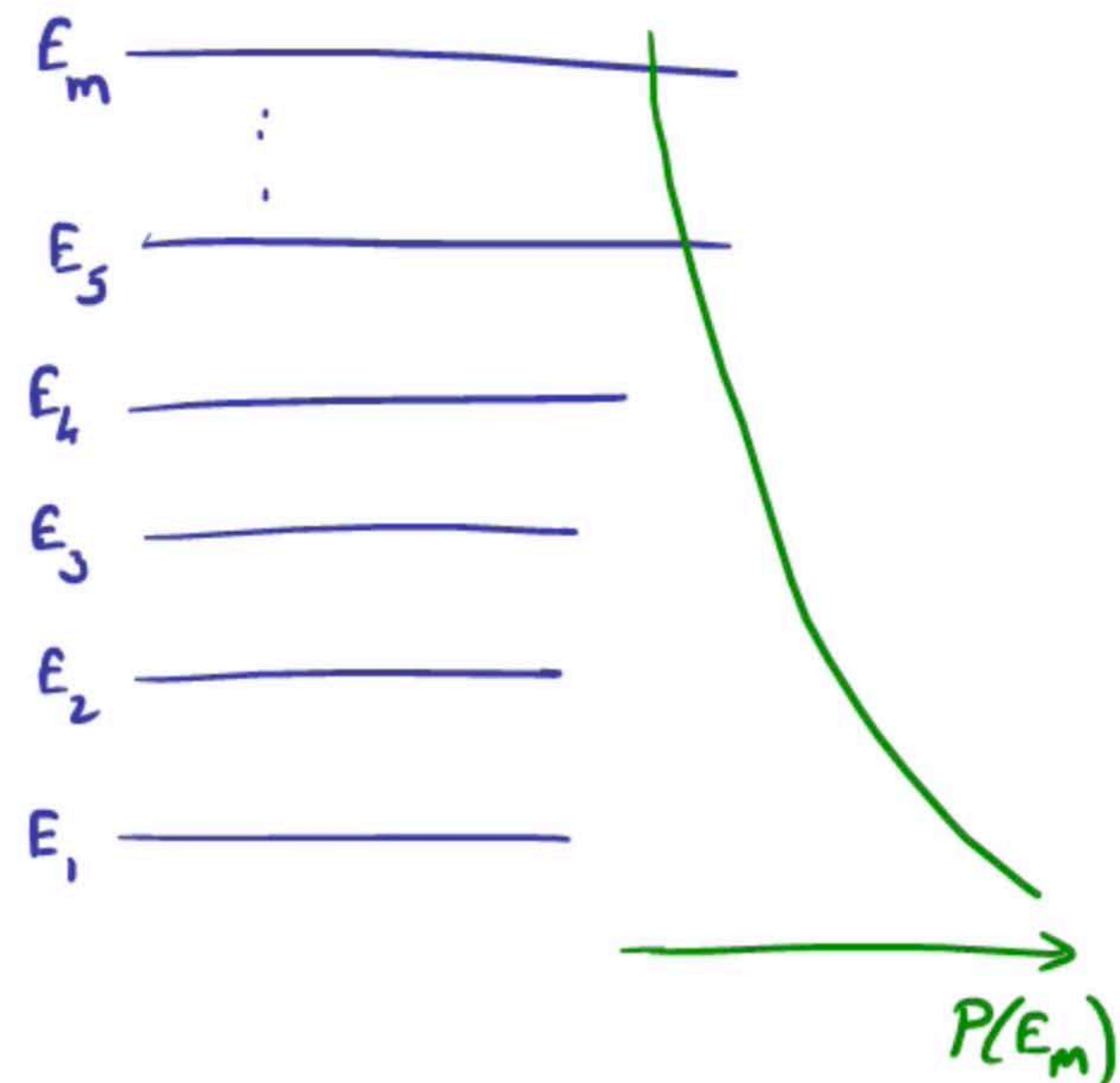
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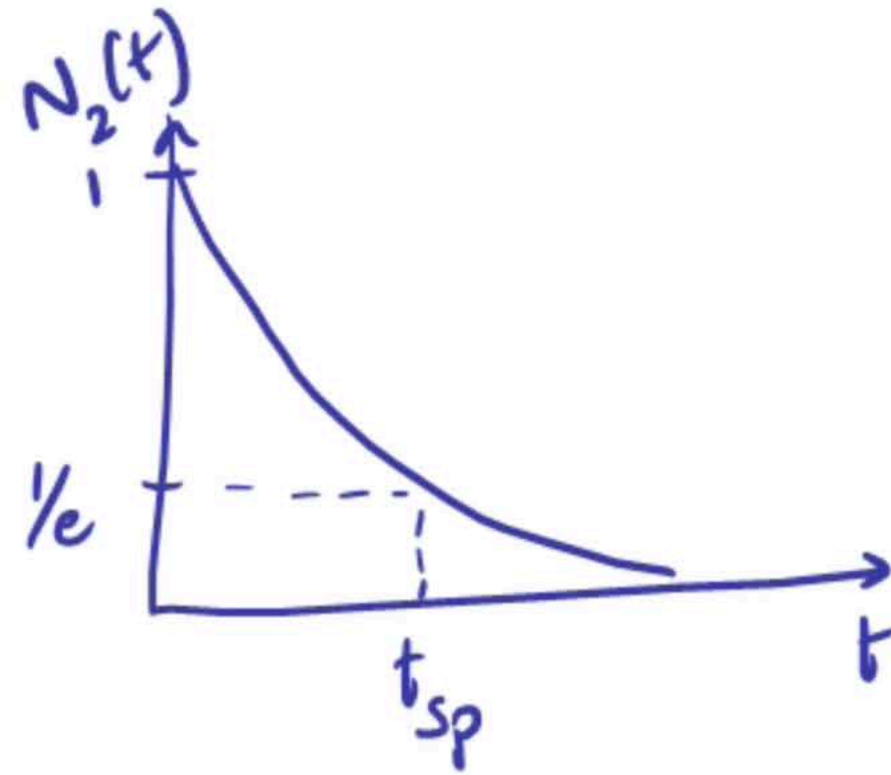
$k_B \rightarrow$ Boltzmann const.

If there are N number of atoms

$$\frac{N_2}{N_1} = P(E_m) \Rightarrow \frac{N_2}{N_1} = \exp\left(-\frac{E_2 - E_1}{k_B T}\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta E}{k_B T}\right)$$





$$P_{em} = \frac{A/B}{B' \exp\left(\frac{h\nu}{k_B T}\right) - 1}$$

provided $\frac{A}{B} = 8\pi h \frac{\nu^3}{c^3}$

2 $B' = B$

$$A = P_{sp} = \frac{1}{t_{sp}}$$

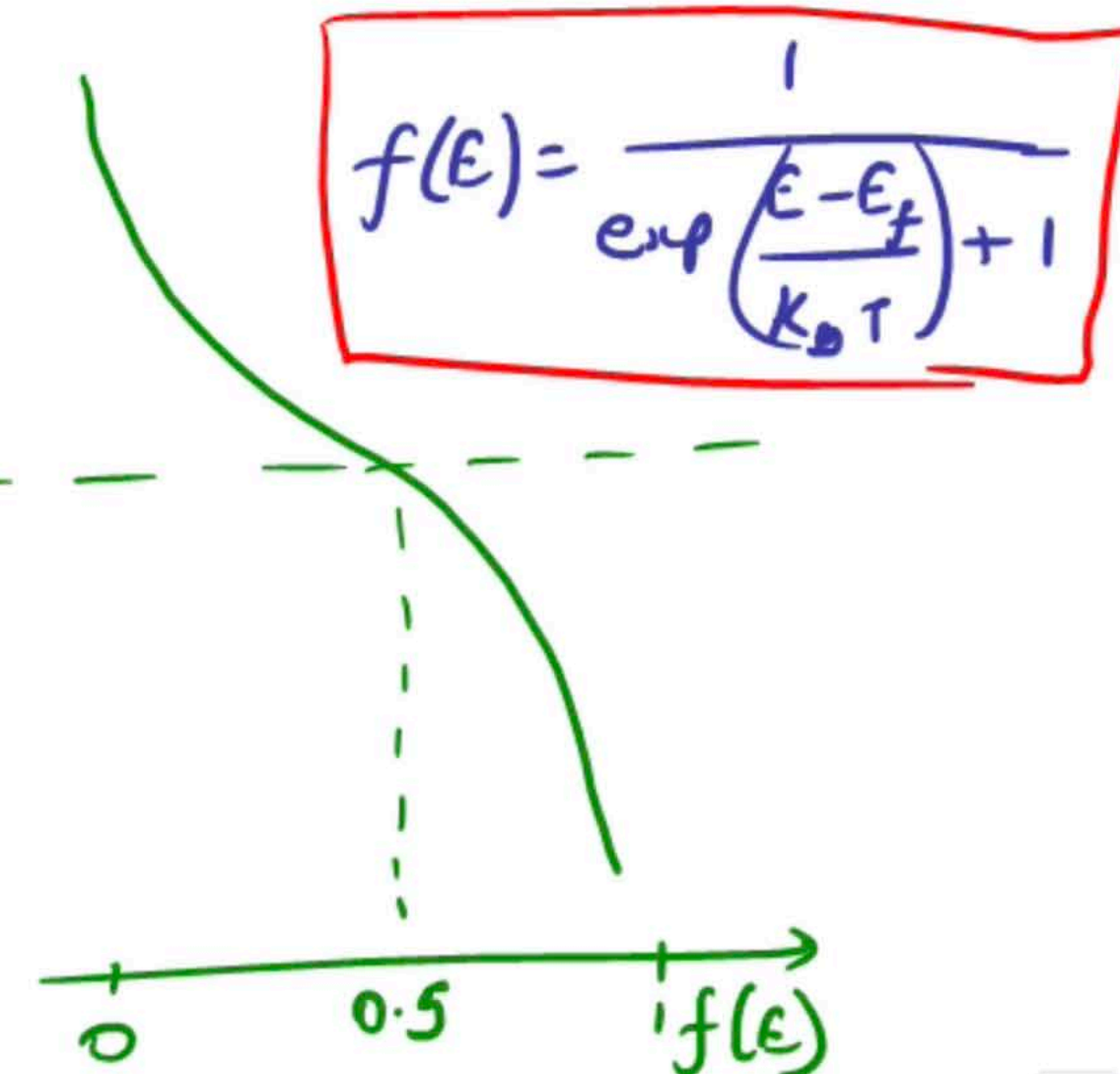
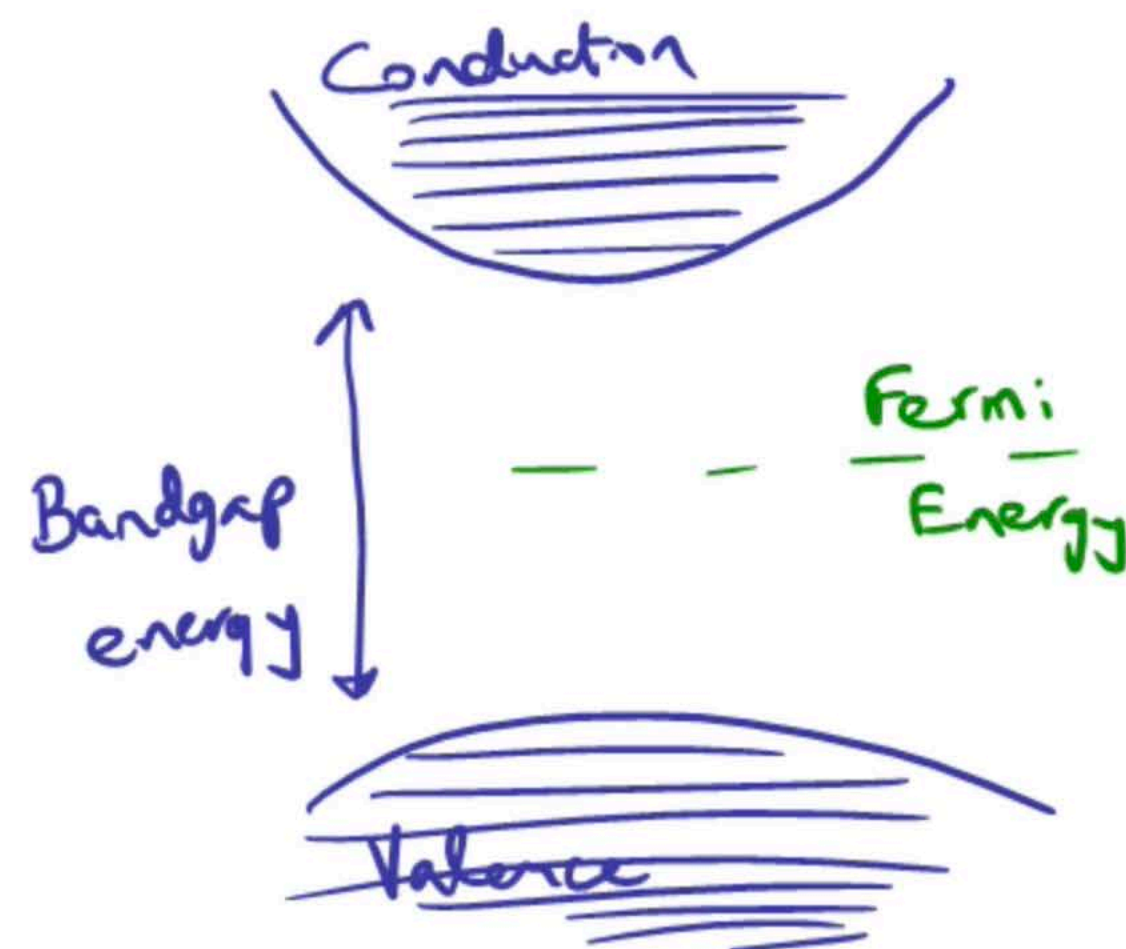
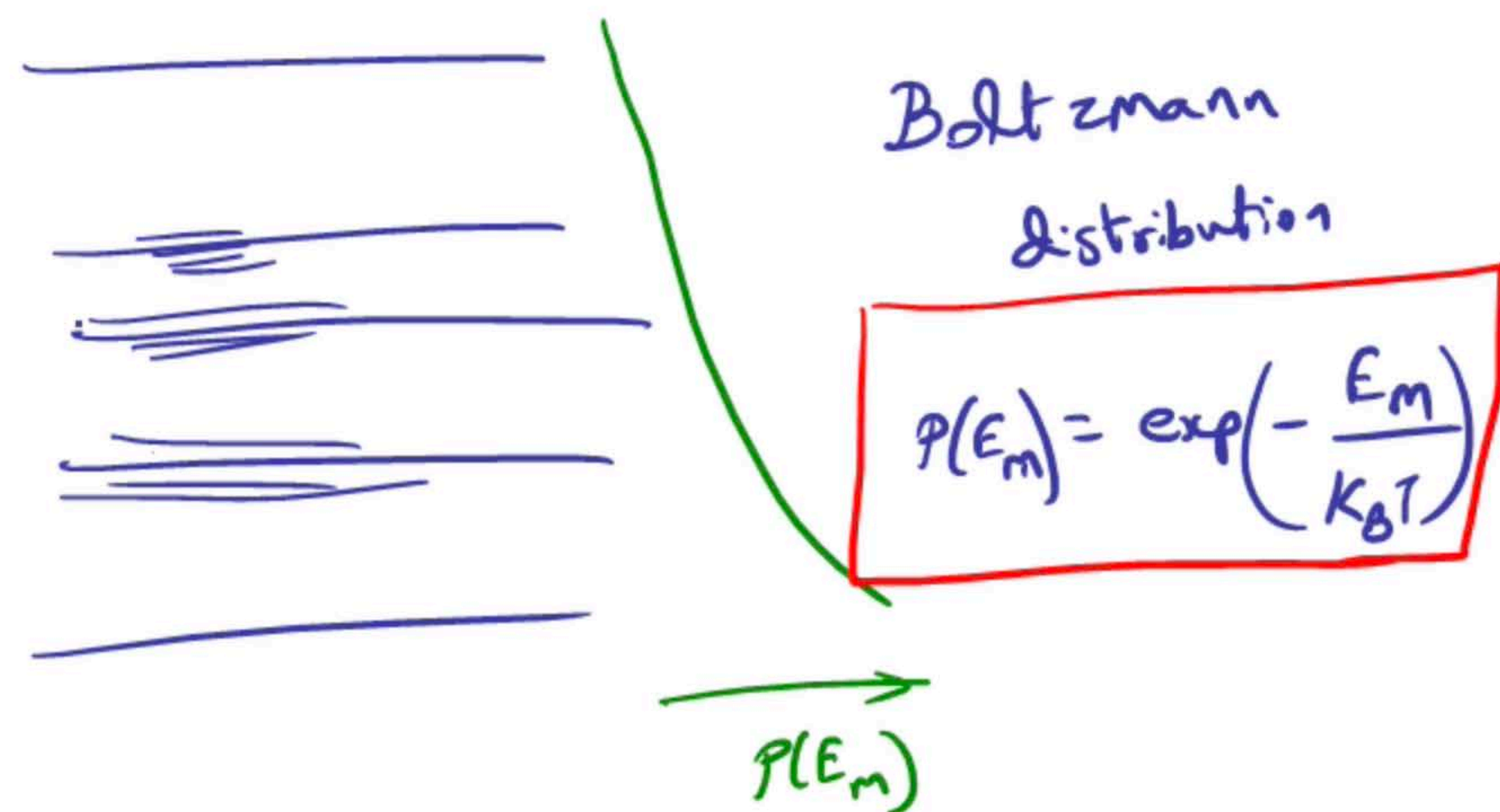
$$B = \frac{\lambda^3}{8\pi h t_{sp}}$$

Collection of atoms

Dilute gas
of atoms

periodic arrangement of atoms
w/ overlapping wavefunctions

(Semiconductors) Fermi-Dirac

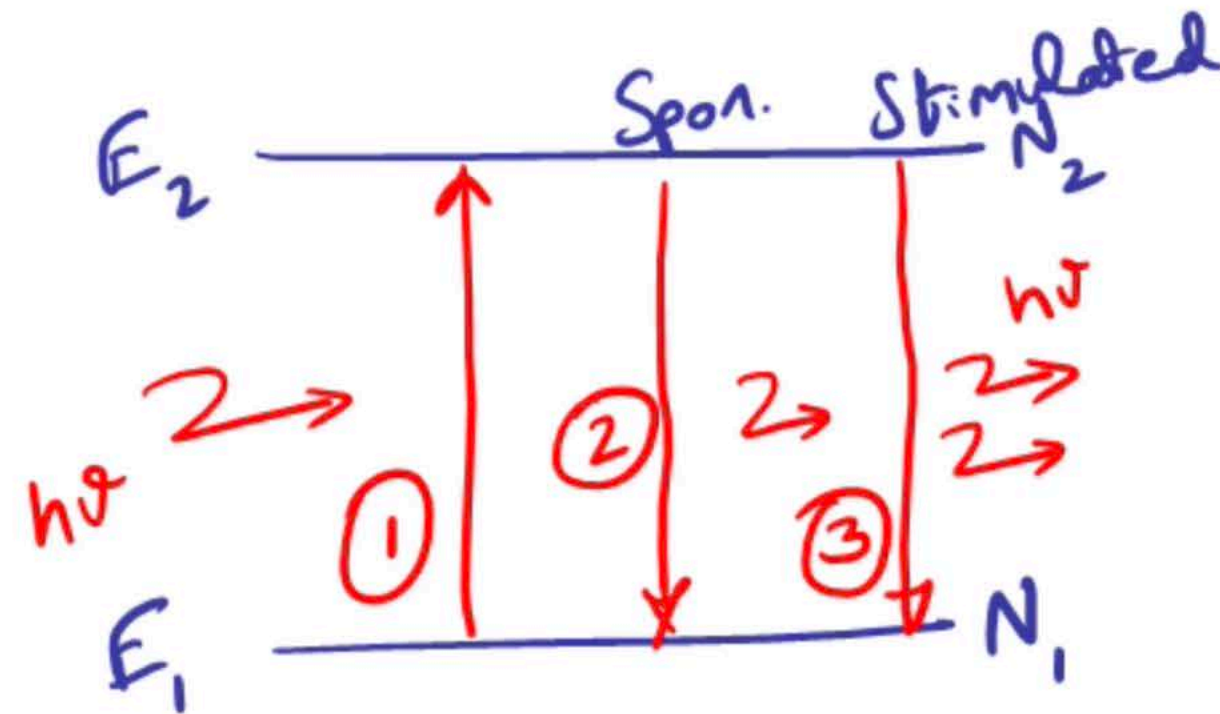


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Observation 1:

$$k_B T > \Delta E$$

$$R_{spont} \gg R_{stim}$$

(Thermal light sources)