

# Statistical physics

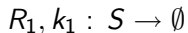
## lecture 13

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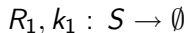
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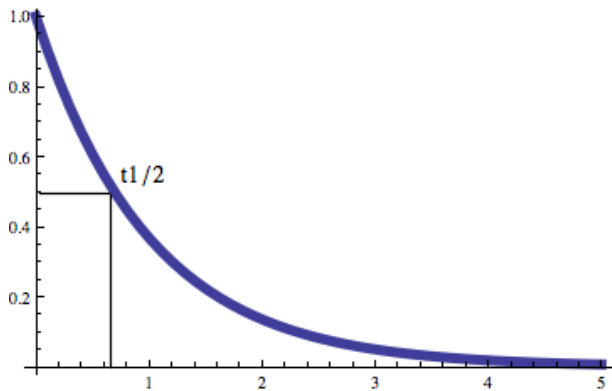
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$P(n)$  - probability of having  $n$  particles of  $S$

$P(n, t)$  - probability of having  $n$  particles of  $S$  in the time  $t$

What are the possible transitions of the system?



From Master equation we can write:

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It can be shown:

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## Fact

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Then all functions which are solution must obey:

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And we can check:

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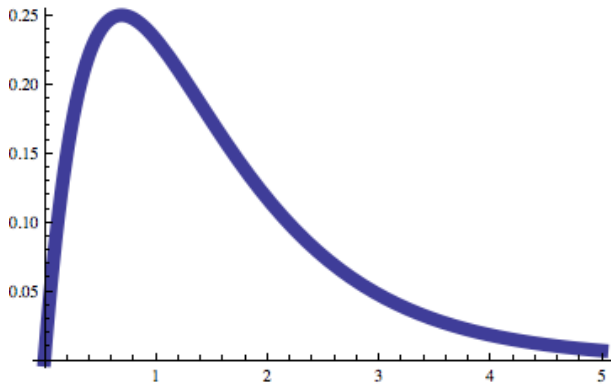
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