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3.8. Particle in a box: $T = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m}$

$$\vec{k} = \left(\frac{n_x \pi}{L}, \frac{n_y \pi}{L}, \frac{n_z \pi}{L} \right), \quad \text{as}$$

$$\psi(\vec{r}) \propto \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_y \pi y}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_z \pi z}{L}\right).$$

for satisfaction of the boundary condition and Schrödinger eq.

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{L}\right)^2 |\vec{n}|^2, \quad T_{\text{GND}} = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2m L^2}.$$

$$\text{With } n = L^{-3}, \quad \boxed{T_{\text{GND}} = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2m} n^{2/3}.$$

$$\text{Impose } \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2m} n^{2/3} = \gamma.$$

$$n^{2/3} = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2 \pi^2} \gamma$$

$$\boxed{n^* = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2 \pi^2} \gamma^{3/2}.$$

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