
Problem 2.5

Problem 2.5. For an Einstein solid with each of the following values of N and q , list all of the possible microstates, count them, and verify formula 2.9.

(a) $N = 3, q = 4$

(b) $N = 3, q = 5$

`In[ ]:=` (c) $N = 3, q = 6$

(d) $N = 4, q = 2$

(e) $N = 4, q = 3$

(f) $N = 1, q = \text{anything}$

(g) $N = \text{anything}, q = 1$

Einstein solid with 'n' oscillators and 'q' energy units:

$$\text{In[]:= } \Omega[n_, q_] := \frac{(q + n - 1)!}{q! (n - 1)!}$$

We can also enumerate all the microstates. The `Tuples` function will list all possible orderings of 'N' integers running from 0 to 'q'. We then `Select[ ]` only those that have a total energy of 'q'. There are many other ways to do this in Mathematica.

`In[ ]:= Tuples[Range[0, 4], 3] // TableForm;`

`In[ ]:= enumerate[n_, q_] := Select[Tuples[Range[0, q], n], Total[#] == q &;`

a. $N = 3, q = 4$

`In[ ]:= n = 3; q = 4;`

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In[*]:= microstates = enumerate[n, q];  
TableForm[microstates]  
{ $\Omega$ [n, q], Length[microstates]}
```

```
Out[*]//TableForm=  
  0    0    4  
  0    1    3  
  0    2    2  
  0    3    1  
  0    4    0  
  1    0    3  
  1    1    2  
  1    2    1  
  1    3    0  
  2    0    2  
  2    1    1  
  2    2    0  
  3    0    1  
  3    1    0  
  4    0    0
```

```
Out[*]=  
{15, 15}
```

b. $N = 3, q = 5$

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In[ ]:= n = 3; q = 5;
microstates = enumerate[n, q];
TableForm[microstates]
{Ω[n, q], Length[microstates]}
Clear[n, q]

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Out[ ]//TableForm=
  0    0    5
  0    1    4
  0    2    3
  0    3    2
  0    4    1
  0    5    0
  1    0    4
  1    1    3
  1    2    2
  1    3    1
  1    4    0
  2    0    3
  2    1    2
  2    2    1
  2    3    0
  3    0    2
  3    1    1
  3    2    0
  4    0    1
  4    1    0
  5    0    0

```

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Out[ ]:=
{21, 21}

```

c. $N = 3, q = 6$

```
In[ ]:= n = 3; q = 6;
microstates = enumerate[n, q];
TableForm[microstates]
{Ω[n, q], Length[microstates]}
Clear[n, q]
```

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Out[ ]//TableForm=
  0   0   6
  0   1   5
  0   2   4
  0   3   3
  0   4   2
  0   5   1
  0   6   0
  1   0   5
  1   1   4
  1   2   3
  1   3   2
  1   4   1
  1   5   0
  2   0   4
  2   1   3
  2   2   2
  2   3   1
  2   4   0
  3   0   3
  3   1   2
  3   2   1
  3   3   0
  4   0   2
  4   1   1
  4   2   0
  5   0   1
  5   1   0
  6   0   0
```

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Out[ ]:=
{28, 28}
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d. $N = 4, q = 2$

```
In[ ]:= n = 4; q = 2;
microstates = enumerate[n, q];
TableForm[microstates]
{Ω[n, q], Length[microstates]}
Clear[n, q]
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Out[ ]//TableForm=
  0    0    0    2
  0    0    1    1
  0    0    2    0
  0    1    0    1
  0    1    1    0
  0    2    0    0
  1    0    0    1
  1    0    1    0
  1    1    0    0
  2    0    0    0
```

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Out[ ]:=
{10, 10}
```

e. $N = 4, q = 3$

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In[ ]:= n = 4; q = 3;
microstates = enumerate[n, q];
TableForm[microstates]
{Ω[n, q], Length[microstates]}
Clear[n, q]

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Out[ ]//TableForm=
  0   0   0   3
  0   0   1   2
  0   0   2   1
  0   0   3   0
  0   1   0   2
  0   1   1   1
  0   1   2   0
  0   2   0   1
  0   2   1   0
  0   3   0   0
  1   0   0   2
  1   0   1   1
  1   0   2   0
  1   1   0   1
  1   1   1   0
  1   2   0   0
  2   0   0   1
  2   0   1   0
  2   1   0   0
  3   0   0   0

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Out[ ]:=
{20, 20}

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f. $N = 1, q = \text{anything}$

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In[ ]:= Ω[1, q]
Out[ ]:=
1

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With only 1 oscillator, and a total energy of 'q', there is only one microstate: That oscillator must have energy 'q'.

g. $N = \text{anything}, q = 1.$

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In[ ]:= Ω[n, 1]
Out[ ]:=
  n !
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 (-1 + n) !

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In[*]:= FullSimplify[%, Element[n, Integers]]  
Out[*]=
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n

With only one energy unit, it could be in any of the 'n' oscillators.