

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) $N = 3, q = 5$
- ln[56]:= (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:

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ln[57]:=  $\Omega[n_, q_] := \frac{(q + n - 1)!}{q! (n - 1)!}$ 
```

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.

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ln[97]:= Tuples[Range[0, 4], 3] // TableForm;
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ln[59]:= enumerate[n_, q_] := Select[Tuples[Range[0, q], n], Total[#] == q &];
```

a. $N = 3, q = 4$

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ln[101]:= n = 3; q = 4;
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In[102]:=
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microstates = enumerate[n, q];  
TableForm[microstates]  
{ $\Omega$ [n, q], Length[microstates]}
```

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Out[103]//TableForm=
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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[104]=
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{15, 15}
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b. $N=3, q=5$

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In[73]:= n = 3; q = 5;  
microstates = enumerate[n, q];  
TableForm[microstates]  
{ $\Omega$ [n, q], Length[microstates]}  
Clear[n, q]
```

```
Out[75]//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
```

```
Out[76]=  
{21, 21}
```

c. $N=3, q=6$

```
In[78]:= n = 3; q = 6;  
microstates = enumerate[n, q];  
TableForm[microstates]  
{ $\Omega$ [n, q], Length[microstates]}  
Clear[n, q]
```

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Out[80]//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[81]=  
{28, 28}
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d. $N = 4, q = 2$

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In[83]:= n = 4; q = 2;  
microstates = enumerate[n, q];  
TableForm[microstates]  
{ $\Omega$ [n, q], Length[microstates]}  
Clear[n, q]
```

```
Out[85]//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[86]=  
{10, 10}
```

e. $N = 4, q = 3$

```
In[88]:= n = 4; q = 3;
microstates = enumerate[n, q];
TableForm[microstates]
{Ω[n, q], Length[microstates]}
Clear[n, q]
```

```
Out[90]//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[91]=
{20, 20}
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f. $N = 1, q = \text{anything}$

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In[93]:= Ω[1, q]
Out[93]=
1
```

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[94]:= Ω[n, 1]
Out[94]=
  n !
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 (-1 + n) !
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In[95]:= FullSimplify[%, Element[n, Integers]]
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Out[95]=
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n

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