

Chapter 2 - 2nd Law of Thermodynamics

↳ heat spontaneously flows from high temp to low temp

Einstein Solid

Ideal Gas

↳ Entropy

Combinatorics

one coin

$$P(\text{heads}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

multiple coins

$$P(n) = \frac{n}{N}$$

5 coins

microstates $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{H H T T H} \text{ --- } 3 \text{ H} \\ \text{T H H H H} \text{ --- } 4 \text{ H} \end{array} \right\}$ macrostates

how many microstates are in a macrostate?
↳ multiplicity

$$\Omega(n) = \frac{5!}{n!(5-n)!}$$

number of heads

$$\Omega(0) = 1$$

$$\Omega(1) = 5$$

$$\Omega(2) = 10$$

$$\Omega(3) = 10$$

$$\Omega(4) = 5$$

$$\Omega(5) = 1$$

$$\Omega(1) = \frac{5!}{1!(5-1)!} = \frac{5!}{1!4!}$$

$$= \frac{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{1 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$$

$$= 5$$


$$\Omega(2) = \frac{5!}{2!3!} = 10$$

$$\Omega(N, n) = \frac{N!}{n!(N-n)!} \leftarrow \text{Notation: } \binom{N}{n}$$

\uparrow
 # of coins

10 atoms each w/ 0 or 1 packets of energy (energy unit)


How many possible ways are there to distribute 4 energy units


 \leftarrow microstate

4 energy packets \leftarrow macrostate

$$\Omega(10, 4) = \frac{10!}{4!6!} = 210$$

What if an atom can have more than one energy packet at a time?


 \leftarrow microstates

4 energy packets \leftarrow macrostate

$$\Omega(N, q) = \frac{(q + N - 1)!}{q!(N-1)!} \quad \binom{q+N-1}{q}$$

\uparrow # of atoms \uparrow # of energy packets
 $q = \text{macrostate}$

This model of a collection of atoms w/ equal size energy quanta distributed among them is the Einstein Solid.

↳ Debye Model

Large Number → addition of small numbers is not important

$$10^{23} + 23 = 10^{23}$$

Very Large Number

$$10^{10^{23}} \times 10^{23} = 10^{10^{23} + 23} \approx 10^{10^{23}}$$

