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$N \gg 1$ oscillators at ω , M quanta

$$W(M) = \frac{(M+N-1)!}{M!(N-1)!}$$

a) $E = \frac{1}{2}N\hbar\omega + M\hbar\omega \rightarrow \bar{E} = M\hbar\omega$ ignoring 0-point energy

$$S = k \ln W = k [\ln(M+N-1)! - \ln M! - \ln(N-1)!]$$

$$S \approx k [(M+N-1) \ln(M+N-1) - (M+N-1) - M \ln M + M - (N-1) \ln(N-1) + N-1]$$

$$S = k [(M+N-1) \ln(M+N-1) - M \ln M - (N-1) \ln(N-1)]$$

b. equilibrium with heat reservoir at temp T

\rightarrow The Helmholtz free energy $F = \bar{E} - TS$ is minimized

$$F = M\hbar\omega - kT [(M+N-1) \ln(M+N-1) - M \ln M - (N-1) \ln(N-1)]$$

Number of quanta M varies to minimize F

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial M} = \hbar\omega - kT [\ln(M+N-1) + 1 - \ln M - 1] = 0$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{M+N-1}{M}\right) = \frac{\hbar\omega}{kT} \quad \frac{M+N-1}{M} = e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{kT}}$$

$$M(e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{kT}} - 1) = N-1 \approx N$$

$$\langle M \rangle = \frac{N}{e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{kT}} - 1}$$

$$n(\omega) = \frac{\langle M \rangle}{N} = \frac{1}{e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{kT}} - 1}$$

c. $C_V = \frac{\partial \bar{E}}{\partial T}$ $\bar{E} = M\hbar\omega = N\hbar\omega \cdot \frac{1}{e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{kT}} - 1}$

$$C_V = N\hbar\omega \cdot (-1) \cdot e^{-\frac{\hbar\omega}{kT}} \cdot \frac{\hbar\omega}{k} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{T^2}\right)$$

$$C_V = Nk \left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{kT}\right)^2 \frac{e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{kT}}}{\left(e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{kT}} - 1\right)^2}$$

$$d. \langle S \rangle = S|_{M=\langle M \rangle}$$

$$\frac{d\langle S \rangle}{dE} = \frac{d\langle M \rangle}{dE} \frac{d\langle S \rangle}{d\langle M \rangle} = \frac{1}{\hbar\omega} \frac{d\langle S \rangle}{d\langle M \rangle} =$$

$$\frac{k}{\hbar\omega} \left[\ln(\langle M \rangle + N - 1) - \ln \langle M \rangle \right] = \frac{k}{\hbar\omega} \cdot \ln \left(\frac{\langle M \rangle + N - 1}{\langle M \rangle} \right) = \frac{k}{\hbar\omega} \ln \left(e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{kT}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{k}{\hbar\omega} \cdot \frac{\hbar\omega}{kT} = \frac{1}{T}$$

e M quanta = "balls" to divide in N oscillators = boxes, without requiring at least 1 quanta in each oscillator. N-1 partitions.

M+N-1 total things which can be rearranged in any order.

Choose the location of the M quanta:

$$W = \binom{M+N-1}{M} = \frac{(M+N-1)!}{M! (N-1)!}$$