

# Generating Functions and Networks

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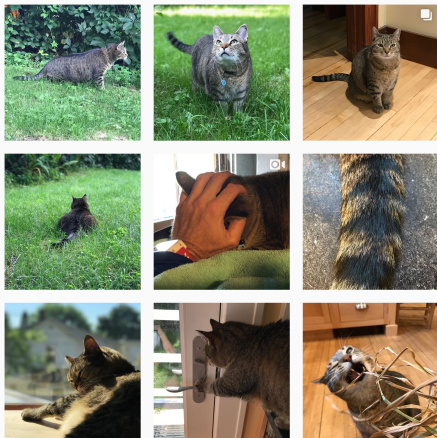
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-  Related to Fourier, Laplace, Mellin, ...



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  $k$ th element of sequence (general):

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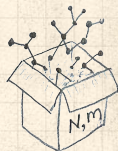
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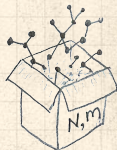
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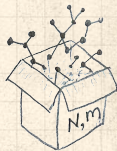


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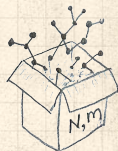
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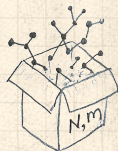
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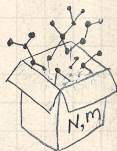
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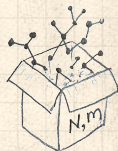
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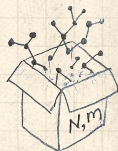
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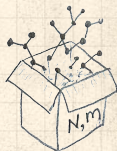
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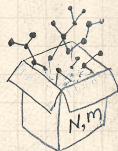
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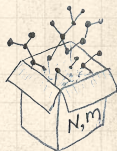
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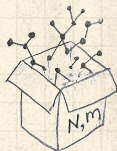
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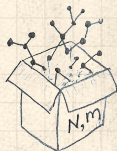
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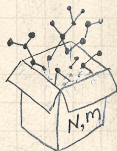
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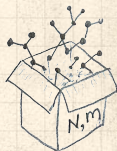
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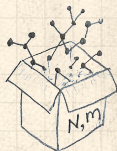


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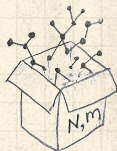
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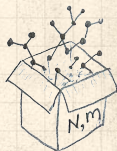
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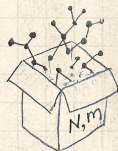
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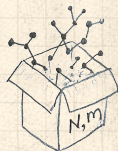


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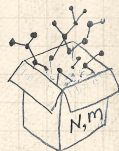
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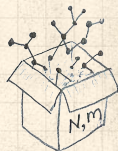
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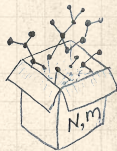
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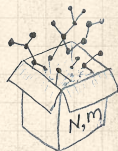
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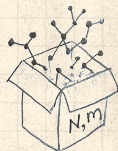


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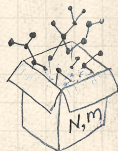
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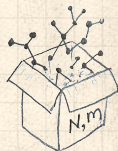
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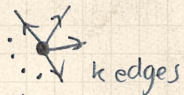


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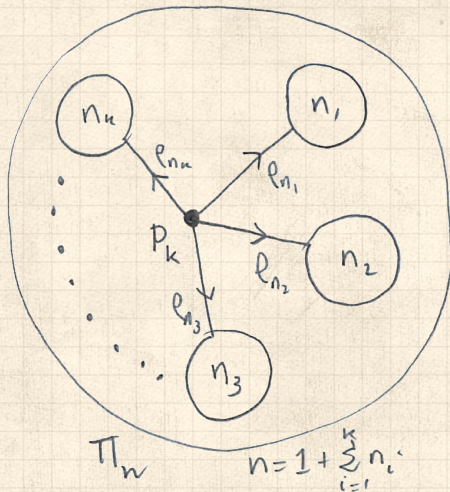


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$k$  edges

$P_k$



$\pi_n$

$$n = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^k n_i$$

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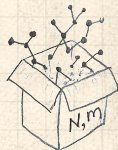
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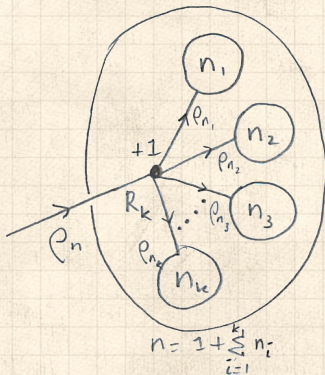
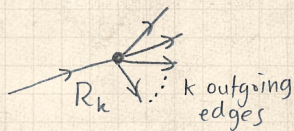
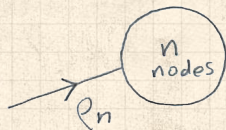
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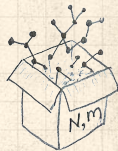
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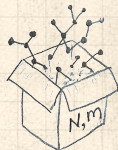
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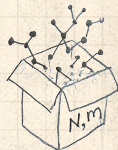
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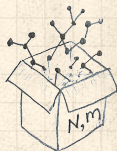


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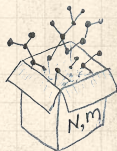


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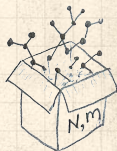
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Alternate, groovier proof in the accompanying assignment.

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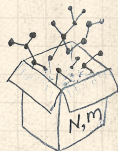
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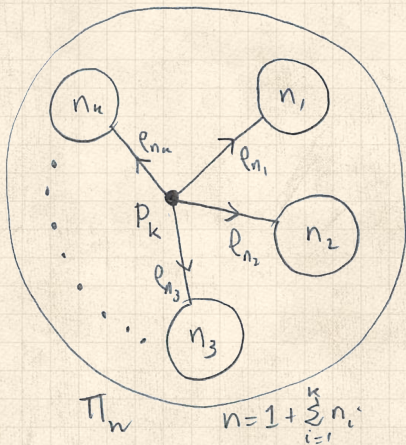
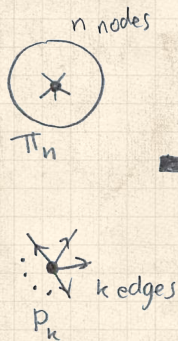
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# Connecting generating functions:

 **Goal:** figure out forms of the component generating functions,  $F_\pi$  and  $F_\rho$ .



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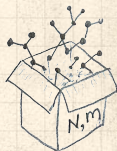
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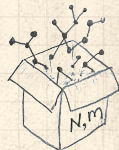
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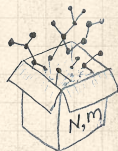
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Therefore:

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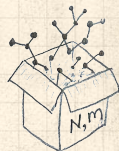
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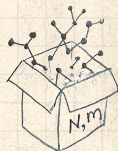
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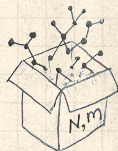
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 Extra factor of  $x$  accounts for random node itself.





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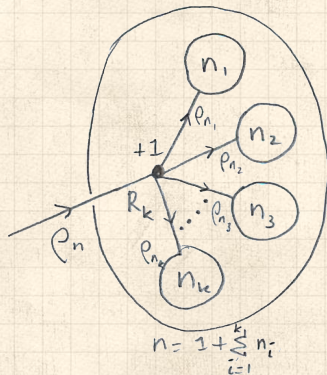
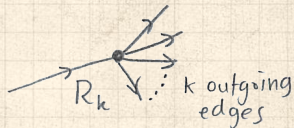
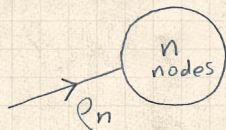
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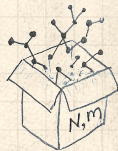
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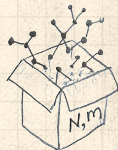
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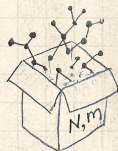


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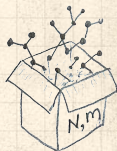
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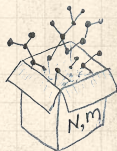
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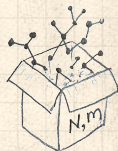
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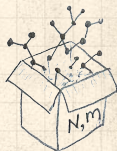
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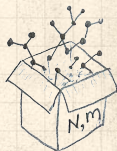
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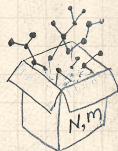
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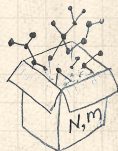


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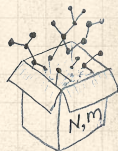
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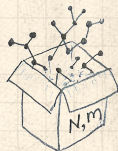
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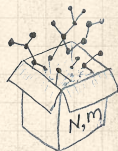
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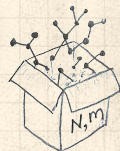
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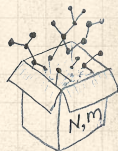


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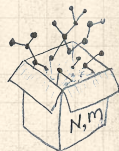


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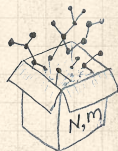
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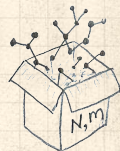


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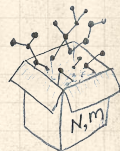
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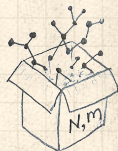
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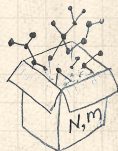


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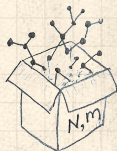
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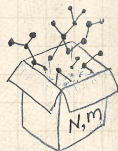
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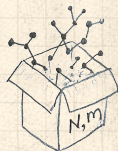
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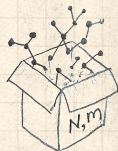
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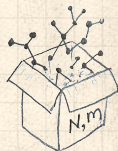
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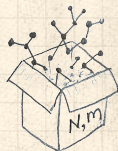
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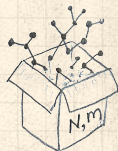
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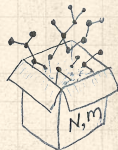
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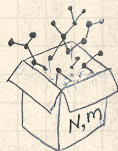
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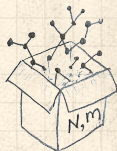
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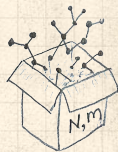
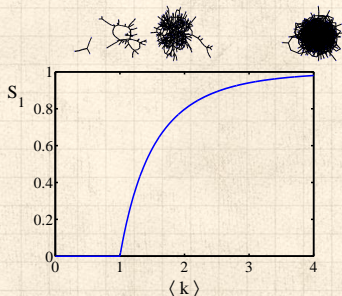
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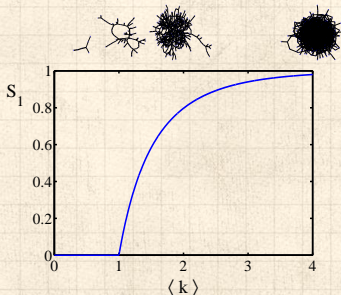
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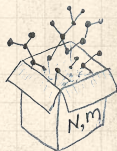
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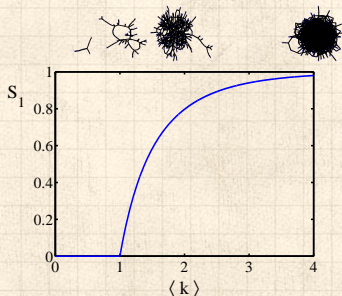
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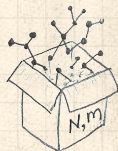
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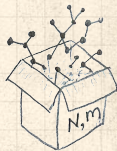
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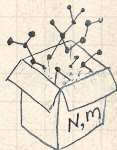
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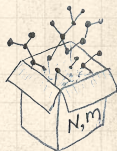
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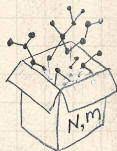
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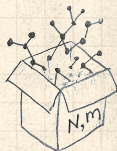


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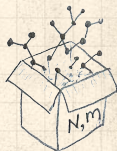
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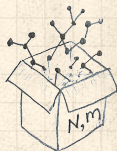
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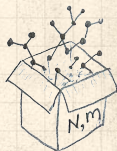
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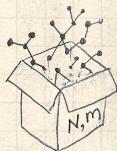
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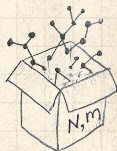
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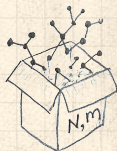
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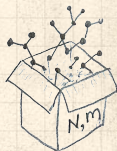
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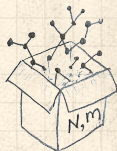
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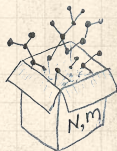
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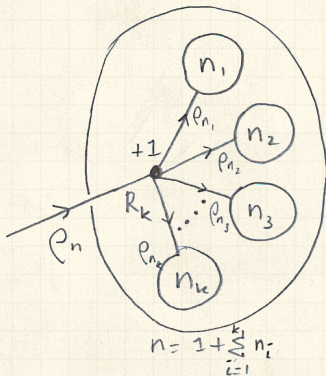
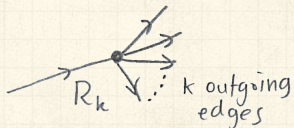
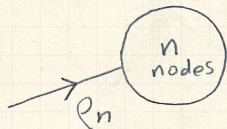
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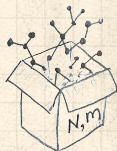
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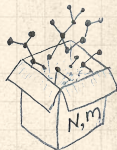
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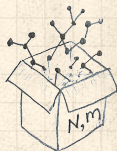
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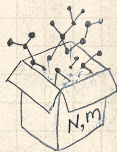
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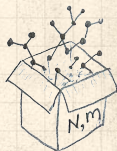
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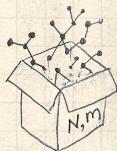
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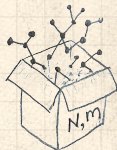
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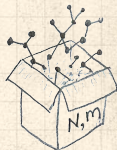



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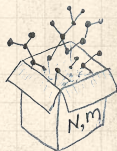
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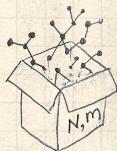
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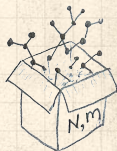
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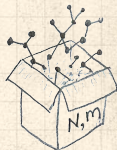
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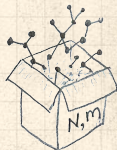



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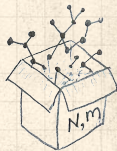
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 Giving:

$$F_\rho(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \rho_n x^n =$$

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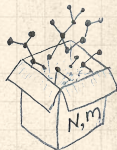
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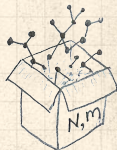
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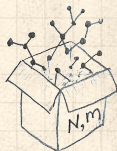
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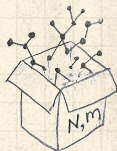
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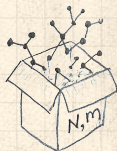



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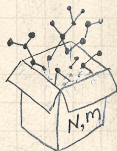
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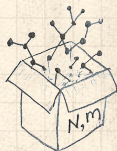
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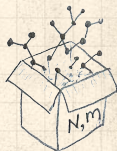


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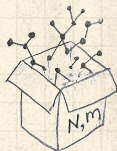
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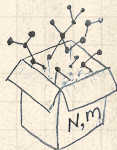
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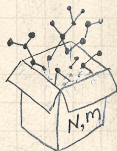
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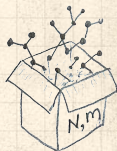
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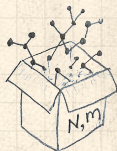
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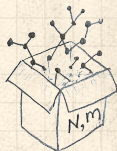
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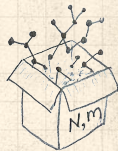
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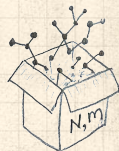
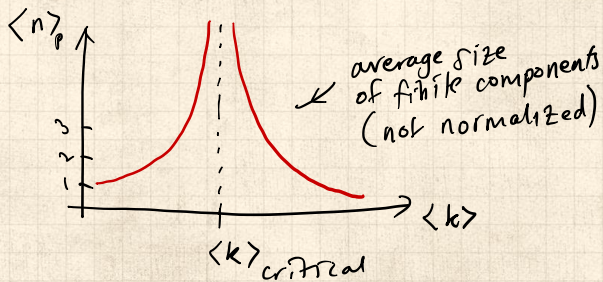
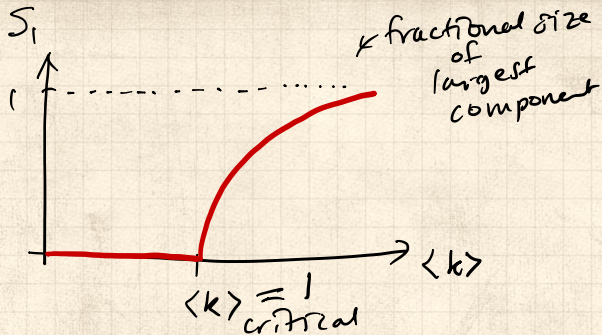
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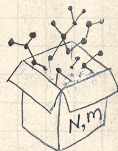
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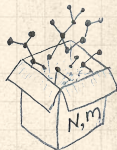
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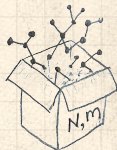
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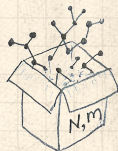
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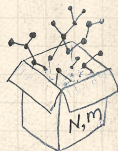
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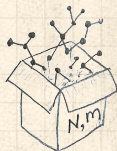
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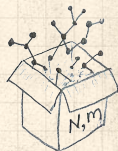
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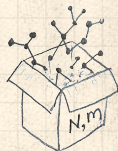
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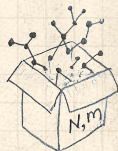
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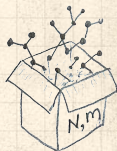
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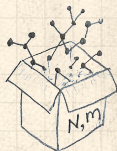
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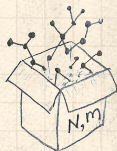
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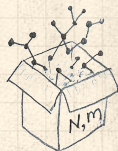
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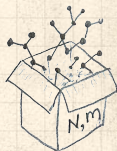


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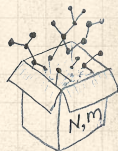
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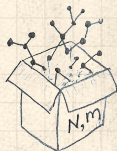
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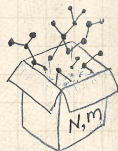
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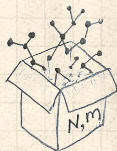
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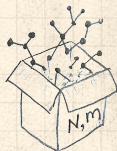
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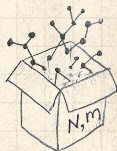
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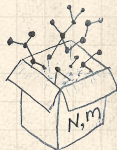
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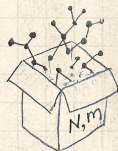
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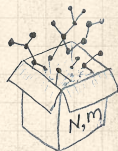
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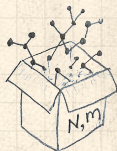
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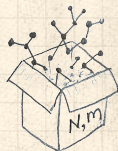
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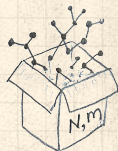
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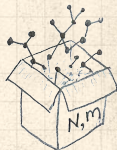
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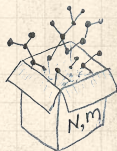
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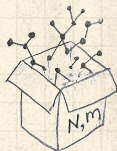
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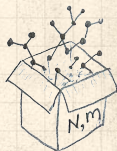
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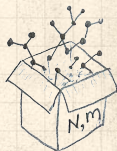
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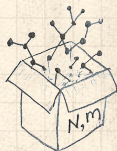
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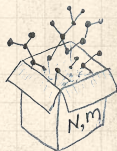
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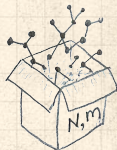
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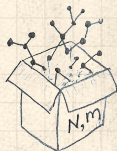


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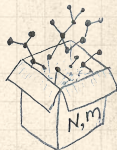
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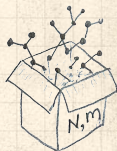
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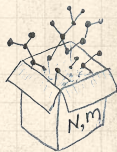
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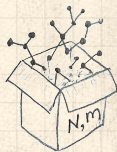
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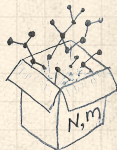
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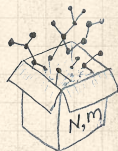
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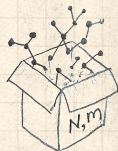
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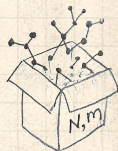
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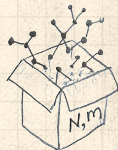
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