



# Entropy power inequalities for qudits

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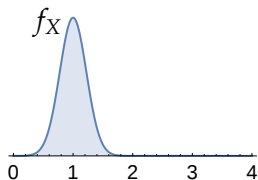
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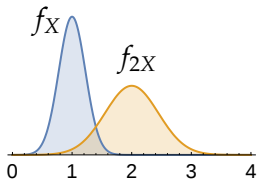


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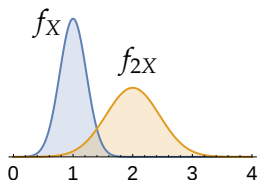


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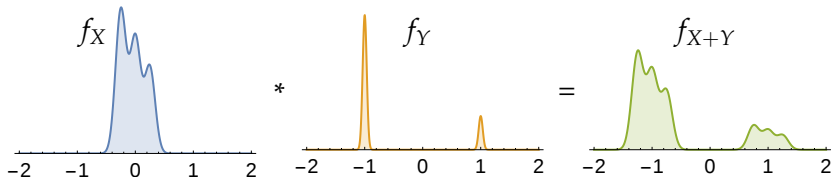
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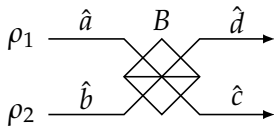
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- ▶ Proof via Fisher info & de Bruijn's identity [Sta59, Bla65]
- ▶ Applications:
  - ▶ upper bounds on channel capacity [Ber74]
  - ▶ strengthening of the central limit theorem [Bar86]
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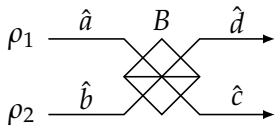
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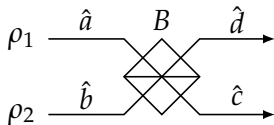
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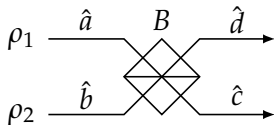
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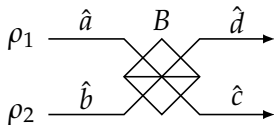
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# Main result

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Main tool: majorization. We show that

$$\text{spec}(\rho \boxplus_{\lambda} \sigma) \prec \lambda \text{spec}(\rho) + (1 - \lambda) \text{spec}(\sigma)$$

## Summary of EPIs

$$f(\rho \boxplus_{\lambda} \sigma) \geq \lambda f(\rho) + (1 - \lambda)f(\sigma)$$

	Continuous variable		Discrete
	Classical ( $d$ dims)	Quantum ( $d$ modes)	Quantum ( $d$ dims)
entropy $H(\cdot)$	✓	✓	✓
entropy power $e^{cH(\cdot)}$	$c = 2/d$	$c = 1/d$	$0 \leq c \leq 1/(\log d)^2$
entropy photon number $g^{-1}(cH(\cdot))$	—	$c = 1/d$ (conjectured)	$0 \leq c \leq 1/(d - 1)$

$$g(x) := (x + 1) \log(x + 1) - x \log x$$

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Thank you

## Combining 3 states

Let  $\rho = \text{Tr}_{2,3}(U(\rho_1 \otimes \rho_2 \otimes \rho_3)U^\dagger)$  where  $U = \sum_{\pi \in S_3} z_\pi Q_\pi$  is a linear combination of 3-qudit permutations. Then [Ozo15]

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for some probability distribution  $(p_1, p_2, p_3)$  and angles  $\delta_{ij}$  s.t.

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$$\begin{aligned} f(\rho \boxplus_{\lambda} \sigma) &\geq f(\lambda\tilde{\rho} + (1 - \lambda)\tilde{\sigma}) && \text{(Schur-concavity)} \\ &\geq \lambda f(\tilde{\rho}) + (1 - \lambda)f(\tilde{\sigma}) && \text{(concavity)} \\ &= \lambda f(\rho) + (1 - \lambda)f(\sigma) && \text{(symmetry)} \end{aligned}$$

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