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Basic Properties of Relative Entropic Normalized Determinant of Positive Operators in Hilbert Spaces

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Abstract

For positive invertible operators A, B and $x \in H$, ||x|| = 1, we define the relative entropic normalized determinant $D_x(A|B)$ by

$$D_x(A|B) := \exp\left(A^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\ln\left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)\right)A^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x\right).$$

In this paper we show, among others, that

$$\left(\frac{\langle Ax, x \rangle}{\langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \le D_x (A|B) \le \left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax, x \rangle}$$

for all A, B > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. Several other properties of $D_x(\cdot|\cdot)$ are also provided.

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1. Introduction

Let B(H) be the space of all bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space H, and I stands for the identity operator on H. An operator A in B(H) is said to be positive (in symbol: $A \ge 0$) if $\langle Ax, x \rangle \ge 0$ for all $x \in H$. In particular, A > 0 means that A is positive and invertible. For a pair A, B of selfadjoint operators the order relation $A \ge B$ means as usual that A - B is positive.

In 1998, Fujii et al. Fujii & Seo (1998), Fujii et al. (1998), introduced the normalized determinant $\Delta_x(A)$ for positive invertible operators A on a Hilbert space H and a fixed unit vector $x \in H$, namely ||x|| = 1, defined by $\Delta_x(A) := \exp \langle \ln Ax, x \rangle$ and discussed it as a continuous geometric mean and observed some inequalities around the determinant from this point of view.

Some of the fundamental properties of normalized determinant are as follows, Fujii & Seo (1998). For each unit vector $x \in H$, see also Hiramatsu & Seo (2021), we have:

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- (i) *continuity*: the map $A \to \Delta_x(A)$ is norm continuous;
- (ii) bounds: $\langle A^{-1}x, x \rangle^{-1} \le \Delta_x(A) \le \langle Ax, x \rangle$;
- (iii) continuous mean: $\langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \downarrow \Delta_x(A)$ for $p \downarrow 0$ and $\langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \uparrow \Delta_x(A)$ for $p \uparrow 0$;
- (iv) *power equality:* $\Delta_x(A^t) = \Delta_x(A)^t$ for all t > 0;
- (v) homogeneity: $\Delta_x(tA) = t\Delta_x(A)$ and $\Delta_x(tI) = t$ for all t > 0;
- (vi) monotonicity: $0 < A \le B$ implies $\Delta_x(A) \le \Delta_x(B)$;
- (vii) multiplicativity: $\Delta_x(AB) = \Delta_x(A)\Delta_x(B)$ for commuting A and B;
- (viii) Ky Fan type inequality: $\Delta_x((1-\alpha)A + \alpha B) \ge \Delta_x(A)^{1-\alpha}\Delta_x(B)^{\alpha}$ for $0 < \alpha < 1$.

We define the logarithmic mean of two positive numbers a, b by

$$L(a,b) := \begin{cases} \frac{b-a}{\ln b - \ln a} & \text{if } b \neq a, \\ a & \text{if } b = a. \end{cases}$$
 (1.1)

In Fujii & Seo (1998) the authors obtained the following additive reverse inequality for the operator A which satisfy the condition $0 < mI \le A \le MI$, where m, M are positive numbers,

$$0 \le \langle Ax, x \rangle - \Delta_x(A) \le L(m, M) \left[\ln L(m, M) + \frac{M \ln m - m \ln M}{M - m} - 1 \right]$$

$$(1.2)$$

for all $x \in H$, ||x|| = 1.

We recall that Specht's ratio is defined by Specht (1960)

$$S(h) := \begin{cases} \frac{h^{\frac{1}{h-1}}}{e \ln \left(h^{\frac{1}{h-1}}\right)} & \text{if } h \in (0,1) \cup (1,\infty), \\ 1 & \text{if } h = 1. \end{cases}$$
 (1.3)

It is well known that $\lim_{h\to 1} S(h) = 1$, $S(h) = S(\frac{1}{h}) > 1$ for h > 0, $h \ne 1$. The function is decreasing on (0,1) and increasing on $(1,\infty)$.

In Fujii et al. (1998), the authors obtained the following multiplicative reverse inequality as well

$$1 \le \frac{\langle Ax, x \rangle}{\Delta_x(A)} \le S\left(\frac{M}{m}\right) \tag{1.4}$$

for $0 < mI \le A \le MI$ and $x \in H$, ||x|| = 1.

For the entropy function $\eta(t) = -t \ln t$, t > 0, the operator entropy has the following expression:

$$\eta(A) = -A \ln A$$

for positive A.

For $x \in H$, ||x|| = 1, we define the normalized entropic determinant $\eta_x(A)$ by

$$\eta_x(A) := \exp\left(-\langle A \ln Ax, x \rangle\right) = \exp\left\langle \eta(A) x, x \right\rangle. \tag{1.5}$$

Let $x \in H$, ||x|| = 1. Observe that the map $A \to \eta_x(A)$ is norm continuous and since

$$\exp(-\langle tA \ln(tA) x, x \rangle)$$

$$= \exp(-\langle tA (\ln t + \ln A) x, x \rangle) = \exp(-\langle (tA \ln t + tA \ln A) x, x \rangle)$$

$$= \exp(-\langle Ax, x \rangle t \ln t) \exp(-t \langle A \ln Ax, x \rangle)$$

$$= \exp \ln(t^{-\langle Ax, x \rangle t}) [\exp(-\langle A \ln Ax, x \rangle)]^{-t},$$

hence

$$\eta_x(tA) = t^{-t\langle Ax, x\rangle} \left[\eta_x(A) \right]^{-t} \tag{1.6}$$

for t > 0 and A > 0.

Observe also that

$$\eta_x(I) = 1 \text{ and } \eta_x(tI) = t^{-t}$$
 (1.7)

for t > 0.

In the recent paper Dragomir (2022) we showed among others that, if A, B > 0, then for all $x \in H$, ||x|| = 1 and $t \in [0, 1]$,

$$\eta_x((1-t)A + tB) \ge (\eta_x(A))^{1-t} (\eta_x(B))^t$$
.

Also we have the bounds

$$\left(\frac{\left\langle A^2 x, x \right\rangle}{\left\langle A x, x \right\rangle}\right)^{-\langle A x, x \rangle} \le \eta_x(A) \le \langle A x, x \rangle^{-\langle A x, x \rangle},$$
(1.8)

where A > 0 and $x \in H$, ||x|| = 1.

Definition 1.1. For positive invertible operators A, B and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1 we define the relative entropic normalized determinant $D_x(A|B)$ by

$$D_{x}(A|B) := \exp \left\langle S\left(A|B\right)x, x\right\rangle = \exp \left\langle A^{\frac{1}{2}}\left(\ln\left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)\right)A^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x\right\rangle,$$

where the relative operator entropy S(A|B), is defined by

$$S(A|B) := A^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\ln \left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}} B A^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right) A^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

We observe that for A > 0,

$$D_x(A|1_H) = \exp \langle S(A|1_H)x, x \rangle = \exp(-\langle A \ln Ax, x \rangle) = \eta_x(A),$$

where $\eta_x(\cdot)$ is the *normalized entropic determinant* and for B > 0,

$$D_x(1_H|B) := \exp \langle S(1_H|B)x, x \rangle = \exp \langle \ln Bx, x \rangle = \Delta_x(B),$$

where $\Delta_x(\cdot)$ is the *normalized determinant*.

Motivated by the above results, in this paper we show, among others, that

$$\left(\frac{\langle Ax,x\rangle}{\langle AB^{-1}Ax,x\rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax,x\rangle}\leq D_x\left(A|B\right)\leq \left(\frac{\langle Bx,x\rangle}{\langle Ax,x\rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax,x\rangle}$$

for all A, B > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. Several other properties of $D_x(\cdot|\cdot)$ are also provided.

2. Relative entropic normalized determinant

Kamei and Fujii Fujii & Kamei (1989b), Fujii & Kamei (1989a) defined the *relative operator entropy* S(A|B), for positive invertible operators A and B, by

$$S(A|B) := A^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\ln \left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}} B A^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right) A^{\frac{1}{2}}, \tag{2.1}$$

which is a relative version of the operator entropy considered by Nakamura-Umegaki Nakamura & Umegaki (1961).

In general, we can define for positive operators A, B

$$S(A|B) := s - \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0+} S(A + \varepsilon 1_H|B)$$

if it exists, here 1_H is the identity operator.

For the entropy function $\eta(t) = -t \ln t$, the *operator entropy* has the following expression:

$$\eta(A) = -A \ln A = S(A|1_H) \ge 0$$

for positive contraction A. This shows that the relative operator entropy (2.1) is a relative version of the operator entropy.

For $A = 1_H$ in (2.1) we have

$$S(1_H|B) = \ln B$$

for positive contraction B.

Following (Furuta *et al.*, 2005, p. 149-p. 155), we recall some important properties of relative operator entropy for *A* and *B* positive invertible operators:

(i) We have the equalities

$$S(A|B) = -A^{1/2} \left(\ln A^{1/2} B^{-1} A^{1/2} \right) A^{1/2} = B^{1/2} \eta \left(B^{-1/2} A B^{-1/2} \right) B^{1/2}; \tag{2.2}$$

(ii) We have the inequalities

$$S(A|B) \le A(\ln ||B|| - \ln A) \text{ and } S(A|B) \le B - A;$$
 (2.3)

(iii) For any C, D positive invertible operators we have that

$$S(A + B|C + D) \ge S(A|C) + S(B|D)$$
;

(iv) If $B \le C$ then

$$S(A|B) \leq S(A|C)$$
;

(v) If $B_n \downarrow B$ then

$$S(A|B_n) \downarrow S(A|B)$$
;

(vi) For $\alpha > 0$ we have

$$S(\alpha A|\alpha B) = \alpha S(A|B)$$
;

(vii) For every operator T we have

$$T^*S\left(A|B\right)T\leq S\left(T^*AT|T^*BT\right).$$

(viii) The relative operator entropy is *jointly concave*, namely, for any positive invertible operators A, B, C, D we have

$$S(tA + (1 - t)B|tC + (1 - t)D) \ge tS(A|C) + (1 - t)S(B|D)$$

for any $t \in [0, 1]$.

For other results on the relative operator entropy see Dragomir (2015*b*), Dragomir (2015*a*), Furuichi (2015), Kim (2012), Kluza & Niezgoda (2014), Moslehian *et al.* (2013) and Nikoufar (2014).

Observe that, if we replace in (2.2) B with A, then we get

$$S(B|A) = A^{1/2} \eta \left(A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} \right) A^{1/2}$$

= $A^{1/2} \left(-A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} \ln \left(A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} \right) \right) A^{1/2},$

therefore we have

$$A^{1/2} \left(A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} \ln \left(A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} \right) \right) A^{1/2} = -S \left(B | A \right)$$
 (2.4)

for positive invertible operators A and B.

It is well know that, in general S(A|B) is not equal to S(B|A).

In Uhlmann (1977), A. Uhlmann has shown that the relative operator entropy S(A|B) can be represented as the strong limit

$$S(A|B) = s - \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{A \sharp_t B - A}{t},$$
 (2.5)

where

$$A\sharp_{\nu}B:=A^{1/2}\left(A^{-1/2}BA^{-1/2}\right)^{\nu}A^{1/2},\ \nu\in[0,1]$$

is the weighted geometric mean of positive invertible operators A and B. For $v = \frac{1}{2}$ we denote $A \sharp B$.

This definition of the weighted geometric mean can be extended for any real number ν .

For $B = 1_H$ we have

$$A\sharp_{\nu}1_{H}=A^{1-\nu}$$

while for $A = 1_H$ we get

$$1_H \sharp_{\nu} B = B^{\nu}$$

for any real number ν .

For t > 0 and the positive invertible operators A, B we define the Tsallis relative operator entropy (see also Furuichi et al. (2004)) by

$$T_t(A|B) := \frac{A\sharp_t B - A}{t}.$$

We then have

$$T_t(A|1_H) := \frac{A\sharp_t 1_H - A}{t} = \frac{A^{1-t} - A}{t}, \ t > 0$$

and

$$T_t(1_H|B) := \frac{B^t - 1_H}{t}, \ t > 0$$

for A, B > 0.

The following result providing upper and lower bounds for relative operator entropy in terms of $T_t(\cdot|\cdot)$ has been obtained in Fujii & Kamei (1989*b*) for $0 < t \le 1$. However, it hods for any t > 0.

Theorem 2.1. Let A, B be two positive invertible operators, then for any t > 0 we have

$$T_t(A|B)(A\sharp_t B)^{-1}A \le S(A|B) \le T_t(A|B).$$
 (2.6)

In particular, we have for t = 1 that

$$(1_H - AB^{-1})A \le S(A|B) \le B - A$$
, Fujii & Kamei (1989b) (2.7)

and for t = 2 that

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(1_H - \left(A B^{-1} \right)^2 \right) A \le S \left(A | B \right) \le \frac{1}{2} \left(B A^{-1} B - A \right). \tag{2.8}$$

The case $t = \frac{1}{2}$ is of interest as well. Since in this case we have

$$T_{1/2}(A|B) := 2(A \sharp B - A)$$

and

$$T_{1/2}(A|B)(A\sharp_{1/2}B)^{-1}A = 2(1_H - A(A\sharp B)^{-1})A,$$

hence by (2.6) we get

$$2(1_H - A(A \sharp B)^{-1})A \le S(A \sharp B) \le 2(A \sharp B - A) \le B - A.$$
(2.9)

We have the following fundamental properties for the relative entropic normalized determinant:

Proposition 2.1. Assume that A, B > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1.

1. We have the upper bound

$$D_x(A|B) \le \frac{\exp\langle Bx, x\rangle}{\exp\langle Ax, x\rangle};$$

2. For any C, D positive invertible operators we have that

$$D_x(A + B|C + D) \ge D_x(A|C)D_x(B|D);$$
 (2.10)

3. If $B \leq C$ then

$$D_{r}(A|B) \leq D_{r}(A|C)$$
;

4. If $B_n \downarrow B$ then

$$D_x(A|B_n) \downarrow D_x(A|B)$$
;

5. For $\alpha > 0$ we have

$$D_X(\alpha A|\alpha B) = [D_X(A|B)]^{\alpha}$$
.

The proof follows by the properties "(ii)-(iii)" above.

Corollary 2.1. For $A, B > 0, \alpha, \beta > 0$ and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1, we have

$$\frac{\eta_x(A+B)}{\eta_x(A)\eta_x(B)} \ge \frac{\alpha^{\langle Ax,x\rangle}\beta^{\langle Bx,x\rangle}}{(\alpha+\beta)^{\langle (A+B)x,x\rangle}}.$$
(2.11)

In particular, for $\alpha = \beta = 1$ *, we get*

$$\frac{\eta_x(A+B)}{\eta_x(A)\eta_x(B)} \ge \frac{1}{2^{\langle (A+B)x,x\rangle}}.$$
(2.12)

Proof. Observe that

$$D_{x}(A|\alpha 1_{H}) = \exp\left\langle A^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\ln\left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}\alpha 1_{H}A^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right) \right) A^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x \right\rangle$$

$$= \exp\left\langle A^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\ln\alpha 1_{H} - \ln A \right) A^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x \right\rangle$$

$$= \exp\left(\langle Ax, x \rangle \ln\alpha - \langle A \ln Ax, x \rangle \right) = \alpha^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \eta_{x}(A).$$

Then by (2.10) for $C = \alpha 1_H$ and $D = \beta 1_H$ we have

$$D_x(A + B|(\alpha + \beta)1_H) \ge D_x(A|\alpha 1_H)D_x(B|\beta 1_H),$$

namely

$$(\alpha+\beta)^{\langle (A+B)x,x\rangle}\,\eta_x(A+B)\geq\alpha^{\langle Ax,x\rangle}\eta_x(A)\beta^{\langle Bx,x\rangle}\eta_x(B)$$

and the inequality (2.11) is obtained.

Also, we have:

Corollary 2.2. For $C, D > 0, \gamma, \delta > 0$ and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1, we have

$$\frac{\left[\Delta_{x}(C+D)\right]^{\gamma+\delta}}{\left[\Delta_{x}(C)\right]^{\gamma}\left[\Delta_{x}(D)\right]^{\delta}} \ge \frac{(\gamma+\delta)^{\gamma+\delta}}{\gamma^{\gamma}\delta^{\delta}}.$$
(2.13)

In particular, for $\gamma = \delta = 1$ *, we get*

$$\frac{\left[\Delta_x(C+D)\right]^2}{\Delta_x(C)\Delta_x(D)} \ge 4. \tag{2.14}$$

Proof. Observe that

$$\begin{split} D_x(\gamma 1_H | C) &= \exp\left\langle (\gamma 1_H)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\ln\left((\gamma 1_H)^{-\frac{1}{2}} C (\gamma 1_H)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right) (\gamma 1_H)^{\frac{1}{2}} x, x \right\rangle \\ &= \exp\left\langle \gamma \left(\ln C - \ln \gamma \right) x, x \right\rangle = \exp\left(\gamma \left\langle \ln C x, x \right\rangle - \ln\left(\gamma^{\gamma} \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{\exp\left(\gamma \left\langle \ln C x, x \right\rangle \right)}{\exp\ln\left(\gamma^{\gamma} \right)} = \left(\frac{\Delta_x(C)}{\gamma} \right)^{\gamma}. \end{split}$$

By (2.10) we have

$$D_x\left(\left(\gamma+\delta\right)1_H|C+D\right)\geq D_x\left(\gamma1_H|C\right)D_x\left(\delta1_H|D\right),$$

namely

$$\left(\frac{\Delta_x(C+D)}{\gamma+\delta}\right)^{\gamma+\delta} \geq \left(\frac{\Delta_x(C)}{\gamma}\right)^{\gamma} \left(\frac{\Delta_x(D)}{\delta}\right)^{\delta}.$$

Proposition 2.2. Assume that A, B > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1.

(a) We have

$$D_{x}(A|B) \le ||B||^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \eta_{x}(A) \tag{2.15}$$

(aa) For every operator T with $Tx \neq 0$, we have

$$\left[D_{\frac{T_x}{\|Tx\|}}(A|B)\right]^{\|Tx\|^2} \le D_x(T^*AT|T^*BT). \tag{2.16}$$

(aaa) For every C, D > 0

$$D_{x}(tA + (1-t)B|tC + (1-t)D) \ge [D_{x}(A|C)]^{t}[D_{x}(B|D)]^{1-t}$$
(2.17)

for all $t \in [0, 1]$.

Proof. a. By taking the inner product over $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1 in (ii) we get

$$D_{x}(A|B) = \exp \langle S(A|B) x, x \rangle \le \exp \langle (\ln \|B\| A - A \ln A) x, x \rangle$$

$$= \exp (\ln \|B\| \langle Ax, x \rangle - \langle A \ln Ax, x \rangle)$$

$$= \exp \left(\ln \|B\|^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \right) \exp \left(-\langle A \ln Ax, x \rangle \right)$$

$$= \|B\|^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \eta_{x}(A)$$

and the statement is proved.

aa. If we take the inner product over $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1 in (vii) then we get

$$\exp \langle T^*S(A|B)Tx, x \rangle \le \exp \langle S(T^*AT|T^*BT)x, x \rangle = D_x(T^*AT|T^*BT).$$

Also, if $Tx \neq 0$,

$$\begin{split} \exp\left\langle T^{*}S\left(A|B\right)Tx,x\right\rangle &= \exp\left\langle S\left(A|B\right)Tx,Tx\right\rangle \\ &= \exp\left\langle \left\|Tx\right\|^{2}S\left(A|B\right)\frac{Tx}{\left\|Tx\right\|},\frac{Tx}{\left\|Tx\right\|}\right\rangle \\ &= \left(\exp\left\langle S\left(A|B\right)\frac{Tx}{\left\|Tx\right\|},\frac{Tx}{\left\|Tx\right\|}\right)\right)^{\left\|Tx\right\|^{2}} \\ &= \left[D_{\frac{Tx}{\left\|Tx\right\|}}\left(A|B\right)\right]^{\left\|Tx\right\|^{2}}, \end{split}$$

which proves the statement.

aaa. If we take the inner product over $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1 in (viii), then we get for all $t \in [0, 1]$ that

$$\begin{split} &D_{x} (tA + (1-t)B|tC + (1-t)D) \\ &= \exp \langle S (tA + (1-t)B|tC + (1-t)D)x, x \rangle \\ &\geq \exp \langle [tS (A|C) + (1-t)S (B|D)]x, x \rangle \\ &= \exp [t \langle S (A|C)x, x \rangle + (1-t) \langle S (B|D)x, x \rangle] \\ &= (\exp \langle S (A|C)x, x \rangle)^{t} [\exp \langle S (B|D)x, x \rangle]^{1-t} \\ &= [D_{x} (A|C)]^{t} [D_{x} (B|D)]^{1-t} \end{split}$$

and the statement is proved.

We define the *logarithmic mean* of two positive numbers a, b by

$$L(a,b) := \begin{cases} \frac{b-a}{\ln b - \ln a} & \text{if } b \neq a, \\ a & \text{if } b = a. \end{cases}$$

The following Hermite-Hadamard type integral inequalities hold:

Corollary 2.3. *With the assumptions of Proposition 2.2,*

$$\int_{0}^{1} D_{x}(tA + (1-t)B|tC + (1-t)D)dt \ge L(D_{x}(A|B), D_{x}(C|D)). \tag{2.18}$$

and

$$D_{x}\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\Big|\frac{C+D}{2}\right) \ge \int_{0}^{1} \left[D_{x}\left((1-t)A+tB\right|(1-t)C+tD\right)\right]^{1/2} \times \left[D_{x}\left(tA+(1-t)B\right|tC+(1-t)D\right)\right]^{1/2}dt.$$
(2.19)

Proof. If we take the integral over $t \in [0, 1]$ in (2.17), then we get

$$\int_0^1 D_x(tA + (1-t)B|tC + (1-t)D)dt \ge \int_0^1 [D_x(A|C)]^t [D_x(B|D)]^{1-t} dt$$

$$= L(D_x(A|C), D_x(B|D))$$

for all A, B, C, D > 0, which proves (2.18).

We get from (2.17) for t = 1/2 that

$$D_x\left(\frac{A+B}{2} | \frac{C+D}{2}\right) \geq [D_x(A|C)]^{1/2} [D_x(B|D)]^{1/2}.$$

If we replace A by (1-t)A + tB, B by tA + (1-t)B, C by (1-t)C + tD and D by tC + (1-t)D we obtain

$$D_x \left(\frac{A+B}{2} | \frac{C+D}{2} \right)$$

$$\geq [D_x ((1-t)A + tB | (1-t)C + tD)]^{1/2}$$

$$\times [D_x (tA + (1-t)B | tC + (1-t)D)]^{1/2}.$$

By taking the integral, we derive the desired result (2.19).

By the use of Theorem 2.1 we can also state:

Proposition 2.3. Assume that A, B > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. Then for any t > 0 we have

$$\exp\left\langle T_t(A|B)\left(A\sharp_t B\right)^{-1}Ax, x\right\rangle \le D_x(A|B) \le \exp\left\langle T_t(A|B)x, x\right\rangle. \tag{2.20}$$

In particular, we have for t = 1 that

$$\frac{\exp\langle Ax, x\rangle}{\exp\langle AB^{-1}Ax, x\rangle} \le D_x(A|B) \le \frac{\exp\langle Bx, x\rangle}{\exp\langle Ax, x\rangle}$$
(2.21)

and for t = 2 that

$$\left(\frac{\exp\left\langle Ax, x\right\rangle}{\left\langle \left(AB^{-1}\right)^{2} Ax, x\right\rangle}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \le D_{x}\left(A|B\right) \le \left(\frac{\exp\left\langle BA^{-1}Bx, x\right\rangle}{\exp\left\langle Ax, x\right\rangle}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
(2.22)

We have the following bounds for the normalized entropic determinant.

Corollary 2.4. Assume that A > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. If $\alpha, t > 0$, then

$$\alpha^{-\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\frac{A - \alpha^{-t} A^{t+1}}{t} x, x\right)$$

$$\leq \eta_{x}(A)$$

$$\leq \alpha^{-\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\frac{\alpha^{t} A^{1-t} - A}{t} x, x\right).$$
(2.23)

In particular, for $\alpha = 1$, we get

$$\exp\left(\frac{A - A^{t+1}}{t}x, x\right) \le \eta_x(A) \le \exp\left(\frac{A^{1-t} - A}{t}x, x\right),\tag{2.24}$$

for all t > 0.

For t = 1, we get

$$\alpha^{-\langle Ax,x\rangle} \exp\left\langle \left(A - \alpha^{-1}A^{2}\right)x, x\right\rangle$$

$$\leq \eta_{x}(A)$$

$$\leq \alpha^{-\langle Ax,x\rangle} \exp\left\langle \left(\alpha 1_{H} - A\right)x, x\right\rangle,$$
(2.25)

for all $\alpha > 0$.

Also, for $\alpha = t = 1$, we obtain

$$\exp\left\langle \left(A - A^2\right)x, x\right\rangle \le \eta_x(A) \le \exp\left\langle \left(1_H - A\right)x, x\right\rangle. \tag{2.26}$$

Proof. If we take $B = \alpha 1_H$ in (2.20), we get

$$\exp\left\langle T_{t}\left(A|\alpha 1_{H}\right)\left(A\sharp_{t}\left(\alpha 1_{H}\right)\right)^{-1}Ax,x\right\rangle \leq D_{x}\left(A|\alpha 1_{H}\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left\langle T_{t}\left(A|\alpha 1_{H}\right)x,x\right\rangle.$$

$$(2.27)$$

Observe that

$$A\sharp_t(\alpha 1_H) = A^{1/2} \left(A^{-1/2} \left(\alpha 1_H\right) A^{-1/2}\right)^t A^{1/2} = \alpha^t A^{1-t}$$

and

$$T_t(A|\alpha 1_H) = \frac{A\sharp_t(\alpha 1_H) - A}{t} = \frac{\alpha^t A^{1-t} - A}{t}.$$

Also

$$T_{t}(A|\alpha 1_{H}) \left(A\sharp_{t}(\alpha 1_{H})\right)^{-1} A = \frac{\alpha^{t} A^{1-t} - A}{t} \left(\alpha^{t} A^{1-t}\right)^{-1} A$$
$$= \frac{A - A \left(\alpha^{t} A^{1-t}\right)^{-1} A}{t}$$
$$= \frac{A - \alpha^{-t} A^{t+1}}{t}.$$

Then by (2.27) we get

$$\exp\left\langle \frac{A - \alpha^{-t}A^{t+1}}{t}x, x \right\rangle \le \alpha^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \eta_x(A) \le \exp\left\langle \frac{\alpha^t A^{1-t} - A}{t}x, x \right\rangle$$

and the inequality (2.23) is obtained.

We also have the following bounds for the normalized determinant.

Corollary 2.5. Assume that B > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. If $\beta, t > 0$, then

$$\beta \exp\left(\frac{1_H - \beta^t B^{-t}}{t}x, x\right) \le \Delta_{\chi}(B) \le \beta \exp\left(\frac{\beta^{-t} B^t - 1_H}{t}x, x\right). \tag{2.28}$$

In particular, for $\beta = 1$, we get

$$\exp\left(\frac{1_H - B^{-t}}{t}x, x\right) \le \Delta_x(B) \le \exp\left(\frac{B^t - 1_H}{t}x, x\right),\tag{2.29}$$

for all t > 0.

For t = 1, we get

$$\beta \exp\left\langle \left(1_H - \beta B^{-1}\right)x, x\right\rangle \le \Delta_x(B) \le \beta \exp\left\langle \left(\beta^{-1} B - 1_H\right)x, x\right\rangle,\tag{2.30}$$

for all $\beta > 0$.

Also, for $\beta = t = 1$, we obtain

$$\exp\left\langle \left(1_H - B^{-1}\right)x, x\right\rangle \le \Delta_x(B) \le \exp\left\langle (B - 1_H)x, x\right\rangle. \tag{2.31}$$

Proof. We have from (2.20) for $A = \beta 1_H$ that

$$\exp\left\langle T_{t}\left(\beta 1_{H}|B\right)\left(\left(\beta 1_{H}\right)\sharp_{t}B\right)^{-1}\left(\beta 1_{H}\right)x,x\right\rangle \leq D_{x}\left(\beta 1_{H}|B\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left\langle T_{t}\left(\beta 1_{H}|B\right)x,x\right\rangle.$$
(2.32)

Observe that

$$(\beta 1_H) \, \sharp_t B = (\beta 1_H)^{1/2} \, \Big((\beta 1_H)^{-1/2} \, B \, (\beta 1_H)^{-1/2} \Big)^t \, (\beta 1_H)^{1/2} = \beta^{1-t} B^t,$$

and

$$T_t((\beta 1_H)|B) := \frac{(\beta 1_H) \sharp_t B - \beta 1_H}{t} = \frac{\beta^{1-t} B^t - \beta 1_H}{t}.$$

Also,

$$T_{t}(\beta 1_{H}|B)((\beta 1_{H}) \sharp_{t}B)^{-1}(\beta 1_{H}) = \frac{\beta^{1-t}B^{t} - \beta 1_{H}}{t} (\beta^{1-t}B^{t})^{-1}\beta$$
$$= \frac{\beta - \beta (\beta^{1-t}B^{t})^{-1}\beta}{t}$$
$$= \frac{\beta - \beta^{t+1}B^{-t}}{t}.$$

Then by (2.32) we get

$$\exp\left\langle \frac{\beta 1_H - \beta^{t+1} B^{-t}}{t} x, x \right\rangle \le \left(\frac{\Delta_x(B)}{\beta} \right)^{\beta} \le \exp\left\langle \frac{\beta^{1-t} B^t - \beta 1_H}{t} x, x \right\rangle.$$

By taking the power $1/\beta$ we get

$$\exp\left(\frac{\beta 1_H - \beta^{t+1} B^{-t}}{\beta t} x, x\right) \le \frac{\Delta_x(B)}{\beta} \le \exp\left(\frac{\beta^{1-t} B^t - \beta 1_H}{\beta t} x, x\right),$$

which is equivalent to (2.28).

3. Several Bounds

We have the following bounds for the relative entropic normalized determinant:

Theorem 3.1. Assume that A, B > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. Then for any s > 0 we have

$$s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\langle Ax, x \rangle - s \left\langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \right\rangle\right)$$

$$\leq D_{x} (A|B)$$

$$\leq s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle - s \langle Ax, x \rangle}{s}\right).$$
(3.1)

The best lower bound in the first inequality is

$$\left(\frac{\langle Ax, x \rangle}{\langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \le D_x (A|B), \tag{3.2}$$

while the best upper bound in the second inequality is

$$D_{x}(A|B) \le \left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax, x \rangle}.$$
(3.3)

Proof. We use the gradient inequality for differentiable convex functions f on the open interval

$$f'(s)(t-s) \ge f(t) - f(s) \ge f'(t)(t-s)$$

for all $t, s \in I$.

If we write this inequality for the function $\ln \operatorname{on}(0, \infty)$, then we get

$$\frac{t}{s} - 1 \ge \ln t - \ln s \ge 1 - \frac{s}{t}$$

for all $t, s \in (0, \infty)$.

Using the functional calculus for positive operator T > 0, we get

$$\frac{1}{s}T - 1_H \ge \ln T - \ln s 1_H \ge 1_H - s T^{-1}.$$

for all $s \in (0, \infty)$.

If we take $T = A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}} > 0$, then we get

$$\frac{1}{s}A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}} - 1_H \ge \ln\left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right) - \ln s1_H \ge 1_H - sA^{\frac{1}{2}}B^{-1}A^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

for all $s \in (0, \infty)$.

If we multiply both sides by $A^{\frac{1}{2}} > 0$, then we get

$$\frac{1}{s}B - A \ge A^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\ln \left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right) A^{\frac{1}{2}} - (\ln s) A \ge A - sAB^{-1}A$$

for all $s \in (0, \infty)$.

Now, if we take the inner product for $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1, then we get

$$\frac{1}{s} \langle Bx, x \rangle - \langle Ax, x \rangle \ge \left\langle A^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\ln \left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}} B A^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right) A^{\frac{1}{2}} x, x \right\rangle - (\ln s) \langle Ax, x \rangle
\ge \langle Ax, x \rangle - s \left\langle A B^{-1} A x, x \right\rangle$$

for all $s \in (0, \infty)$.

By taking the exponential, we derive

$$\exp\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle - s \langle Ax, x \rangle}{s}\right) \ge \frac{\exp\left(A^{\frac{1}{2}}\left(\ln\left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)\right)A^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x\right)}{\exp\left[(\ln s) \langle Ax, x \rangle\right]} \\ \ge \exp\left(\langle Ax, x \rangle - s \langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle\right)$$

for all $s \in (0, \infty)$, which is equivalent to (3.1).

Now, consider the function

$$f(s) := s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\langle Ax, x \rangle - s \left\langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \right\rangle\right), \ s \in (0, \infty).$$

We have

$$f'(s) = \langle Ax, x \rangle s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle - 1} \exp\left(\langle Ax, x \rangle - s \langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle\right)$$
$$- \langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\langle Ax, x \rangle - s \langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle\right)$$
$$= s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle - 1} \exp\left(\langle Ax, x \rangle - s \langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle\right)$$
$$\times \left(\langle Ax, x \rangle - \langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle s\right).$$

We observe that the function f is increasing on $\left(0, \frac{\langle Ax, x \rangle}{\langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle}\right)$ and decreasing on $\left(\frac{\langle Ax, x \rangle}{\langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle}, \infty\right)$. Therefore

$$\sup_{s \in (0,\infty)} f(s) = f\left(\frac{\langle Ax, x \rangle}{\langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle}\right) = \left(\frac{\langle Ax, x \rangle}{\langle AB^{-1}Ax, x \rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax, x \rangle},$$

which gives the best lower bound in (3.1).

Now, consider the function

$$g(s) := s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{s} - \langle Ax, x \rangle\right), \ s \in (0, \infty).$$

We have

$$g'(s) := \langle Ax, x \rangle s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle - 1} \exp\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{s} - \langle Ax, x \rangle\right)$$

$$+ s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{s} - \langle Ax, x \rangle\right) \left(-\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{s^2}\right)$$

$$= s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle - 1} \exp\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{s} - \langle Ax, x \rangle\right) \left(\langle Ax, x \rangle - \frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{s}\right)$$

$$= s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle - 2} \exp\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{s} - \langle Ax, x \rangle\right) (\langle Ax, x \rangle s - \langle Bx, x \rangle).$$

We observe that the function g is decreasing on $\left(0, \frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle}\right)$ and increasing on $\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle}, \infty\right)$. Therefore

$$\inf_{s \in (0, \infty)} g(s) = g\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle}\right) = \left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax, x \rangle},$$

which gives the best upper bound in (3.1).

Corollary 3.1. Assume that A > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. Then for any s > 0 we have

$$s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\langle Ax, x \rangle - s \left\langle A^2x, x \right\rangle\right)$$

$$\leq \eta_x(A) \leq s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\frac{1}{s} - \langle Ax, x \rangle\right).$$
(3.4)

The best lower bound for $\eta_x(A)$ is obtained for $s = \frac{\langle Ax, x \rangle}{\langle A^2x, x \rangle}$, namely

$$\left(\frac{\langle Ax, x\rangle}{\langle A^2x, x\rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax, x\rangle} \leq \eta_x(A).$$

The best upper bound for $\eta_x(A)$ is obtained for $s = \langle Ax, x \rangle^{-1}$, namely

$$\eta_x(A) \le \langle Ax, x \rangle^{-\langle Ax, x \rangle}$$
.

Proof. If we take $B = 1_H$ in (3.1), then we get

$$s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\langle Ax, x \rangle - s\left\langle A^2x, x \right\rangle\right) \le \eta_x(A) \le s^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \exp\left(\frac{1 - s\left\langle Ax, x \right\rangle}{s}\right),$$

which is equivalent to (3.4).

Corollary 3.2. Assume that B > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. Then for any s > 0 we have

$$s \exp\left(1 - s\left\langle B^{-1}x, x\right\rangle\right) \le \Delta_x(B) \le s \exp\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x\rangle - s}{s}\right).$$
 (3.5)

The best lower bound for $\Delta_x(B)$ is obtained for $s = \langle B^{-1}x, x \rangle^{-1}$, namely

$$\langle B^{-1}x, x \rangle^{-1} \le \Delta_x(B).$$

The best upper bound for $\Delta_x(B)$ is obtained for $s = \langle Bx, x \rangle$, namely

$$\Delta_{x}(A) \leq \langle Bx, x \rangle$$
.

Theorem 3.2. Assume that A, B > 0 with the property that $0 < mA \le B \le MA$ for some constants m, M > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. Then

$$\left(\frac{\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle}}{S\left(\frac{M}{m}\right)}\right)^{\langle Ax, x \rangle} \le D_x\left(A|B\right) \le \left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax, x \rangle}$$
(3.6)

and

$$0 \le \frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle} - [D_x (A|B)]^{\langle Ax, x \rangle^{-1}}$$

$$\le L(m, M) \left[\ln L(m, M) + \frac{M \ln m - m \ln M}{M - m} - 1 \right].$$
(3.7)

Proof. We observe that for $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1

$$\begin{split} D_{x}(A|B) &= \exp\left(A^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\ln\left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)\right) A^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x\right) \\ &= \exp\left(\left(\ln\left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)\right) A^{\frac{1}{2}}x, A^{\frac{1}{2}}x\right) \\ &= \exp\left[\left\|A^{\frac{1}{2}}x\right\|^{2} \left(\left(\ln\left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)\right) \frac{A^{\frac{1}{2}}x}{\left\|A^{\frac{1}{2}}x\right\|}, \frac{A^{\frac{1}{2}}x}{\left\|A^{\frac{1}{2}}x\right\|}\right)\right] \\ &= \left(\exp\left[\left(\left(\ln\left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)\right) \frac{A^{\frac{1}{2}}x}{\left\|A^{\frac{1}{2}}x\right\|}, \frac{A^{\frac{1}{2}}x}{\left\|A^{\frac{1}{2}}x\right\|}\right)\right]^{A^{\frac{1}{2}}x} \\ &= \left(\exp\left[\left(\left(\ln\left(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)\right) \frac{A^{\frac{1}{2}}x}{\left\|A^{\frac{1}{2}}x\right\|}, \frac{A^{\frac{1}{2}}x}{\left\|A^{\frac{1}{2}}x\right\|}\right)\right]^{Ax,x} \\ &= \left(\Delta_{A^{1/2}x/\left|A^{1/2}x\right|}(A^{-1/2}BA^{-1/2})\right)^{Ax,x}, \end{split}$$

which gives that

$$[D_x(A|B)]^{\langle Ax,x\rangle^{-1}} = \Delta_{A^{1/2}x/||A^{1/2}x||}(A^{-1/2}BA^{-1/2})$$
(3.8)

for $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1.

Since $0 < mA \le B \le MB$ for the positive operators A, B is equivalent with $0 < m \le A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}} \le M$, then by (1.4) for $A^{1/2}x/\|A^{1/2}x\|$ and for the operator $A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ we get

$$1 \leq \frac{\left\langle A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}}A^{1/2}x/\left\|A^{1/2}x\right\|,A^{1/2}x/\left\|A^{1/2}x\right\|\right\rangle}{\Delta_{A^{1/2}x/\left\|A^{1/2}x\right\|}(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}})} \leq S\left(\frac{M}{m}\right),$$

namely

$$1 \le \frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle \Delta_{A^{1/2}x/||A^{1/2}x||} (A^{-\frac{1}{2}}BA^{-\frac{1}{2}})} \le S\left(\frac{M}{m}\right),$$

which gives by (3.8) that

$$1 \leq \frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle \left[D_x \left(A | B \right) \right]^{\langle Ax, x \rangle^{-1}}} \leq S\left(\frac{M}{m} \right).$$

By taking the power $\langle Ax, x \rangle > 0$ we get

$$1 \le \frac{\left(\frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle}\right)^{\langle Ax, x \rangle}}{D_x\left(A \mid B\right)} \le \left[S\left(\frac{M}{m}\right)\right]^{\langle Ax, x \rangle}.$$

From (1.2) we get

$$0 \le \left\langle A^{-\frac{1}{2}} B A^{-\frac{1}{2}} A^{1/2} x / \left\| A^{1/2} x \right\|, A^{1/2} x / \left\| A^{1/2} x \right\| \right\rangle$$
$$- \Delta_{A^{1/2} x / \left\| A^{1/2} x \right\|} (A^{-\frac{1}{2}} B A^{-\frac{1}{2}})$$
$$\le L(m, M) \left[\ln L(m, M) + \frac{M \ln m - m \ln M}{M - m} - 1 \right],$$

namely

$$0 \le \frac{\langle Bx, x \rangle}{\langle Ax, x \rangle} - [D_x (A|B)]^{\langle Ax, x \rangle^{-1}}$$

$$\le L(m, M) \left[\ln L(m, M) + \frac{M \ln m - m \ln M}{M - m} - 1 \right]$$

for $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1.

Remark 3.1. Assume that B > 0 with the property that $0 < m1_H \le B \le M1_H$ for some constants m, M > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. Then by $A = 1_H$ in the above Theorem 3.2 we recapture the inequality (1.4) and (1.2).

If we take $B = 1_H$ in Theorem 3.2, then for $0 < mA \le 1_H \le MA$ for some constants m, M > 0 and $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1. Then

$$\left(\langle Ax, x \rangle S\left(\frac{M}{m}\right)\right)^{-\langle Ax, x \rangle} \le \eta_x(A) \le \langle Ax, x \rangle^{-\langle Ax, x \rangle} \tag{3.9}$$

and

$$0 \le \langle Ax, x \rangle^{-1} - \left[\eta_x(A) \right]^{\langle Ax, x \rangle^{-1}}$$

$$\le L(m, M) \left[\ln L(m, M) + \frac{M \ln m - m \ln M}{M - m} - 1 \right].$$
(3.10)

If $0 < n1_H \le A \le N1_H$, then by taking $m = N^{-1}$ and $M = n^{-1}$ we get $0 < mA \le 1_H \le MA$ and by (3.9) and (3.10) we obtain

$$\left[\langle Ax, x \rangle S \left(\frac{N}{n} \right) \right]^{-\langle Ax, x \rangle} \le \eta_x(A) \le \langle Ax, x \rangle^{-\langle Ax, x \rangle}$$
 (3.11)

and

$$0 \le \langle Ax, x \rangle^{-1} - \left[\eta_x(A) \right]^{\langle Ax, x \rangle^{-1}}$$

$$\le \frac{L(n, N)}{nN} \left[\ln \left(\frac{L(n, N)}{nN} \right) + \frac{N \ln n - n \ln N}{N - n} - 1 \right]$$
(3.12)

for $x \in H$ with ||x|| = 1.

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