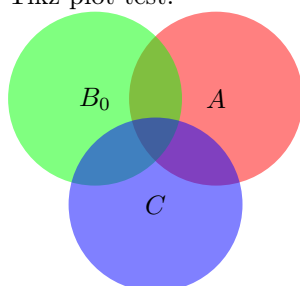


R embedding test:

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1+1
## [1] 2
rnorm(5)
## [1] 0.8267035 -0.4852683 1.1466972 -0.3953367 0.3739446
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Tikz plot test:



1. SEP 3, 2015.

1.1. **Distance.** need to be: 
$$\begin{cases} d(x, y) = d(y, x) \\ d(x, y) \geq 0, d(x, y) = 0 \text{ iff } x = y \\ d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z) \text{ (Triangular inequality)} \end{cases}$$

for  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m \in R^n, d(x, y) = |x - y|^2$ , where the Norm-2 not true for Triangular rule  
For example:  $x = 0, y = 0.5, z = 1$

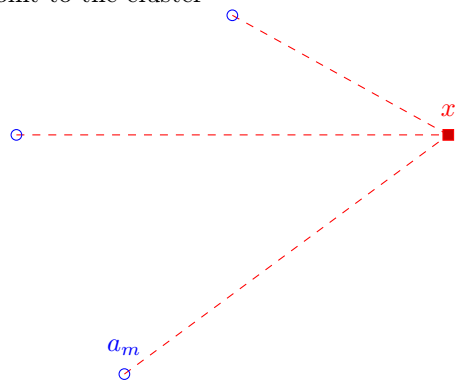


$$d(x, y) = 0.25, d(y, z) = 0.25, d(x, z) = 1$$

which makes  $d(x, y) + d(y, z) < d(x, z)$ , thus not triangular inequality

1.2. **Centroid is the closest point to all data points in a cluster.** K-means, 1st step:

check each cluster's center, find one center closest to the data point, then assign the data point to the cluster



for the data points above  $a_i, 1 \leq i \leq m$ , we want to find one point closest to all data points,  
define cost function:  $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m |x - a_i|^2$ , we want to get  $\min_{x \in R^n} f(x)$ , then use the found  $x$   
to represent  $a_i, 1 \leq i \leq m$

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### Algorithm 1

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$$\text{let } 0 = \frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \sum (x - a_i)^2 \right] = 2 \sum (x - a_i) = 2 \sum x - 2 \sum a_i$$

$$\Rightarrow mx = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \text{ which is the mean of all data points.}$$

Note: Set  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m\} \in R^n$ , its centroid  $c(A) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m a_i$  depends on distance function

**1.3. K-means.** Set  $A = \pi_1 \cup \pi_2 \cup \dots \cup \pi_k$ , considering hard clustering,  $\pi_i \cap \pi_j = \Phi$ , and  $\{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_k\} = \Pi$  a partition

A partition is associated with a quality number, such as  $\sum_{a \in \pi_1} |c(\pi_1) - a|^2 = q(\pi_1)$

All partition's Quality  $Q(\Pi) = \sum_{i=1}^k q(\pi_i)$

Batch K-means:

**Definition 1.** Initialize partition  $\Pi = \{\pi_1, \pi_2\}$ ,  $\pi_1 = \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$ ,  $\pi_2 = \{a_4, \dots, a_8\}$

For each given partition, compute its centroid,

Step 1: For each point, compute its distance to centroids, assign it to closest partition

Step 2: Vector Assignment, update centroids

$$Q(\Pi_1) = \sum_{i=1}^3 |c_1 - a_i|^2 + \sum_{i=4}^8 |c_2 - a_i|^2$$

$$Q(\Pi_2) = \sum_{i=1}^4 |c_1^* - a_i|^2 + \sum_{i=5}^8 |c_2^* - a_i|^2$$

where

$$|c_2 - a_4|_{\Pi_1}^2 > |c_1^* - a_4|_{\Pi_2}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow Q(\Pi_1) > Q(\Pi_2) > \dots > Q(\Pi_n) \geq 0$$

The mid-plane between any 2 centroids =  $\text{Convex Hull}\{\Pi_1\} \cap \text{Convex}\{\Pi_2\}$

**1.3.1. Batch K-means local minimum stuck.** Given N points in 1-dimension, find k=2, trying to cut N-1 lines and calculate Quality number and compare the numbers

Suppose 3 points: 0, 1, 3

Init  $\Pi_1 = \{0\} \cup \{1, 3\}$ , then  $Q(\Pi_1) = 0 + (1 + 1) = 2$ , Batch K-means will stop here.

While  $\Pi_2 = \{0, 1\} \cup \{3\}$ , then  $Q(\Pi_2) = (\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}) + 0 = 0.5 < Q(\Pi_1)$ .

which means batch K-means failed here to find a global optimization

One way to solve:

**1.4. Incremental K-means.** At each step, only move one point to all clusters and compute quality numbers.

Set  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in R^n$ , c as the centroid

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m |x - a_i|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m |x - c + c - a_i|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m \left[ |x - c|^2 + 2(x - c)^T (c - a_i) + |c - a_i|^2 \right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m |x - c|^2 + 2(x - c)^T \sum_{i=1}^m (c - a_i) + \sum_{i=1}^m (c - a_i)^2$$

$$= m|x - c|^2 + 2(x - c)^T \cdot 0 + \sum_{i=1}^m (c - a_i)^2$$

$$\text{Thus } f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m |x - a_i|^2 = m|x - c|^2 + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^m (c - a_i)^2}_{\text{Constant}}$$

Set  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p\}$ ,  $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_q\}$

then  $Q(A \cup B) = Q(A) + Q(B) + p|c - c(A)|^2 + q|c - c(B)|^2$

where  $c = \frac{pc(A) + qc(B)}{p+q} = \frac{p}{p+q}c(A) + \frac{q}{p+q}c(B)$

Proof:

$$Q(A \cup B) = \sum_{i=1}^p |c - a_i|^2 + \sum_{j=1}^q |c - b_j|^2$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^p |c(A) - a_i|^2 + p|c(A) - c|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^q |c(B) - b_i|^2 + q|c(B) - c|^2$$

$$= Q(A) + Q(B) + p|c - c(A)|^2 + q|c - c(B)|^2$$

proved.

Example:  $A = \{a_1, a_2\}$ ,  $B = \{b\}$

$$Q(A \cup B) = Q(A \cup \{b\}) = Q(A) + \underbrace{Q(B)}_{=0} + p|c - c(A)|^2 + 1 \cdot |c - b|^2$$

$$2$$

$$\text{where } c = \frac{p}{p+1}c(A) + \frac{1}{p+1}b \Rightarrow c - b = \frac{p}{p+1}[c(A) - b]$$

$$c - c(A) = \frac{1}{p+1}[-c(A) + b] = \frac{1}{p+1}b - \frac{1}{p+1}c(A)$$

$$\text{Thus } Q(A \cup B) = Q(A) + \frac{p}{(p+1)^2}|b - c(A)|^2 + \frac{p^2}{(p+1)^2}|b - c(A)|^2 = Q(A) + \frac{p+p^2}{(p+1)^2}|b - c(A)|^2 =$$

$$Q(A) + |b - c(A)|^2 \frac{p}{p+1}$$

1.4.1. For  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p, b\}$ ,  $A^- = \{a_1, \dots, a_p\}$ ,  $B = \{b\}$ . ?  $Q(A^-)$  interested after removing  $b$ .

$$\underbrace{Q(A)}_{\text{Known}} = Q(A^- \cup B) = \underbrace{Q(A^-)}_{\text{Unknown?}} + |b - c(A^-)|^2 \frac{p}{p+1}$$

$$\frac{b+pc(A^-)}{1+p} = c(A) \Rightarrow c(A^-) = \frac{1}{p}[(1+p)c(A) - b]$$

$$\Rightarrow b - c(A^-) = \frac{1+p}{p}[b - c(A)]$$

**Lemma.**  $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_p\}$ ,  $B = \{b\}$ ,  $A^+ = \{a_1, \dots, a_p, b\}$ , then  $Q(A^+) = Q(A) + \frac{p}{p+1}|c(A) - b|^2$

**Lemma.**  $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_{q-1}, b_q\}$ ,  $B^- = \{b_1, \dots, b_{q-1}\}$ ,  $Q(B^-) = Q(B) - \frac{q}{q-1}|b_q - c(B)|^2$

*Claim.*  $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_p\}$ ,  $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_q\}$ ,  $A^+ = \{a_1, \dots, a_p, b_q\}$ ,  $B^- = \{b_1, \dots, b_{q-1}\}$ .

$$[Q(A) + Q(B)] - [Q(A^+) + Q(B^-)] = [Q(A) - Q(A^+)] + [Q(B) - Q(B^-)] = -\frac{p}{p+1}|c(A) - b_q|^2 +$$

$$-\frac{q}{q-1}|b_q - c(B)|^2$$

## 1.5. Comparision between batch K-means and Incremental K-means.

*Case 1.* Batch K-means,  $\Pi = \{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_k\}$

Step1: compute  $c(\pi_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$

Step2: if  $a \in \pi_i$ ,  $m_i = |\pi_i|$ ; if  $a \in \pi_j$ ,  $m = |\pi_j|$

look at if  $\Delta_{Batch} = |c_i - a|^2 - |c_j - a|^2 > 0$ , then  $a$  should belong to  $\pi_j$

*Case 1.* Incremental K-means,

Step2: if  $a \in \pi_i$ ,  $m_i = |\pi_i|$ ; if  $a \in \pi_j$ ,  $m = |\pi_j|$

if  $\Delta_{Incremental} = \frac{m_i}{m_i-1}|a - c(\pi_i)|^2 - \frac{m_j}{m_j+1}|a - c(\pi_j)|^2 > 0$ , then we should move  $a$  from  $\pi_i$  to  $\pi_j$ .

$$\text{then } \Delta_{Batch} - \Delta_{Incremental} = -\left\{\frac{m_i}{m_i-1}|a - c(\pi_i)|^2 - \frac{m_j}{m_j+1}|a - c(\pi_j)|^2\right\} + \left\{|c_i - a|^2 - |c_j - a|^2\right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{m_i-1}|a - c(\pi_i)|^2 - \frac{1}{m_j+1}|c_j - a|^2 \geq 0$$

which explains why Batch K-means can miss some important move.

## 1.6. 2-steps K-means. Step 1: Run K-means until it stops

Step 2: one iteration of "Incremental K-means"

If (Change is detected) goto Step 1

else Stop

**Example.** Init partitions as  $\Pi_1 = \{0\} \cup \{1, 3\}$ , batch K-means will stop

Incremental K-means,  $\pi_1 = \{\Phi\}$ ,  $\pi_2 = \{0, 1, 3\}$ ,  $Q = \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^2$

$$\pi_1 = \{0, 1\}, \pi_2 = \{3\}, Q = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\pi_1 = \{0, 3\}, \pi_2 = \{1\}, Q = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = 4.5$$

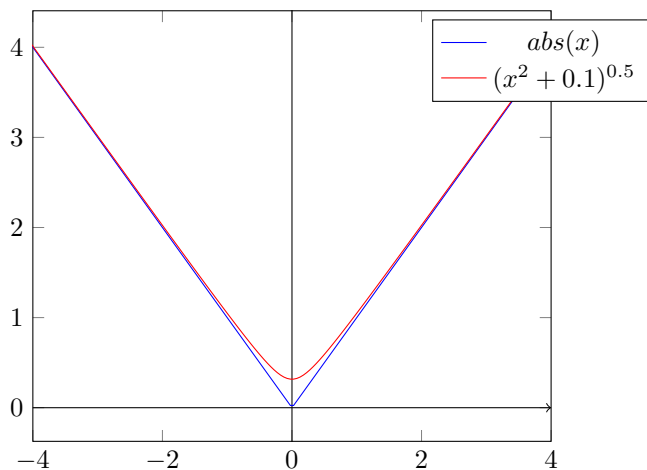
1.7. **Quality function.** Given  $\{a_1, \dots, a_m\}$  build K clusters,  $x_j \in R^n$ ,  $x =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_k \end{bmatrix} \in R^{nk} = R^N$$

$$D_i(x_1, \dots, x_k) = \min_{1 \leq l \leq k} |x_l - a_i|^2$$

function  $D_i : R^N \mapsto R$

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m D_i(x_1, \dots, x_k), \text{ trying to do } \min_{x \in R^N} f(x)$$



1.8. for  $f(x) = |x|$ , not differentiable.

One way to make it differentiable since there is only one zero point not differentiable, use a family of smooth function  $f_s(x) = (x^2 + s)^{1/2}$ ,  $s > 0$  and  $s$  is small

1.9. for  $(x_1, \dots, x_m)$ , find  $f(x) = \max x_i$ .

**Problem.** use  $f_s(x) = s \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \exp \left( \frac{x_i}{s} \right) \right)$ ,

**Proposition.**  $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0^+} f_s(x) = f(x)$

*Proof:* for  $x_1, x_2$ ,

if  $x_1 > x_2$ ,

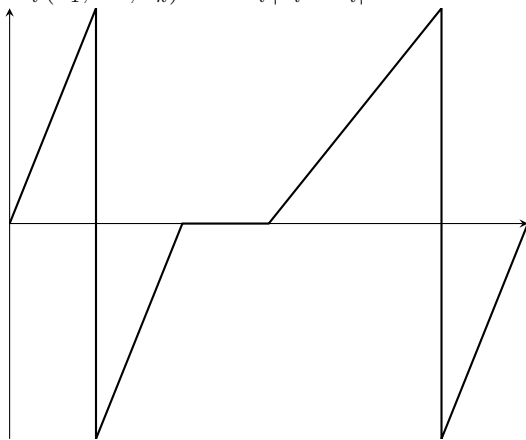
$$\begin{aligned} s \log \left( \exp \left( \frac{x_1}{s} \right) + \exp \left( \frac{x_2}{s} \right) \right) &= s \log \left[ \exp \left( \frac{x_1}{s} \right) \left( 1 + \exp \left( \frac{x_2 - x_1}{s} \right) \right) \right] \\ &= s \log \left( \exp \left( \frac{x_1}{s} \right) \right) + s \log \left[ 1 + \exp \left( \frac{x_2 - x_1}{s} \right) \right] \\ &\stackrel{s \rightarrow 0^+}{=} x_1 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{thus } \lim_{s \rightarrow 0^+} s \log \left[ 1 + \exp \left( \frac{x_2 - x_1}{s} \right) \right] = 0$$

1.10. **Sep 17.** Given  $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ ,  $\Pi = \{\pi_1, \dots, \pi_k\}$

$$Q(\Pi) = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \sum_{a \in \pi} |a - c(\pi)|^2$$

$$D_i(x_1, \dots, x_k) = \min_l |x_l - a_i|^2$$



Convex function:

$$f : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}, \forall t \text{ and } 0 \leq t \leq 1, x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n, f[tx + (1-t)y] \leq tf(x) + (1-t)f(y)$$

**Lemma 2.**  $f(y) \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x) \cdot (y - x)$

*Proof.* for  $t$  close to 0,  $f[x + t(y - x)] = f[(1-t)x + ty] \leq (1-t)f(x) + tf(y)$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Leftrightarrow f[x + t(y - x)] && \leq (1 - t)f(x) + tf(y) \\ &f[x + t(y - x)] - f(x) && \leq t[f(y) - f(x)] \\ &\frac{f[x + t(y - x)] - f(x)}{t(y - x)}(y - x) && \leq f(y) - f(x) \\ &(y - x) \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f[x + t(y - x)] - f(x)}{t(y - x)} && \leq f(y) - f(x) \\ &(y - x) \cdot \nabla f(x) && \leq f(y) - f(x) \end{aligned}$$

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2. 20151022 ENTROPIC MEAN,  $\Phi/f$  - divergence, PRESENTED BY MARIABen-Tal *et al.* (1989)

## 2.1. Then entropic mean.

**Definition 3.** Let  $\phi : \mathbb{R}_+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  be a strictly convex differentiable function with  $(0, 1] \subset \text{dom}\phi$ , and  $\phi(1) = 0, \phi'(1) = 0$ . Then the class of such functions are denoted by  $\Phi$ . The “distance” between 2 pdf was defined as  $I_\phi(p, q) := \sum_{j=1}^n q_j \phi\left(\frac{p_j}{q_j}\right); p, q \in D_n = \left\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \sum_{j=1}^n x_j = 1, x > 0\right\}$ .

Adopting this concept, we define the distance from  $x$  to  $a_i$  by  $d_\phi(x, a_i) := a_i \phi\left(\frac{x}{a_i}\right), 1 \leq i \leq n$ . The optimization problem is now:

$$(2.1) \quad \min \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i a_i \phi\left(\frac{x}{a_i}\right) : x \in \mathbb{R}_+ \right\}$$

and the resulting optimal solution denoted  $\bar{x}_\phi(a) = \bar{x}_\phi(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  will be called the entropic mean of  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ .

**Lemma 4.** Let  $\phi \in \Phi$ . Then

- (1) for any  $\beta_2 > \beta_1 \geq \alpha > 0$  or  $0 < \beta_2 < \beta_1 \leq \alpha$ ,  $d_\phi(\beta_2, \alpha) > d_\phi(\beta_1, \alpha)$
- (2) for any  $\alpha_2 \geq \alpha_1 > \beta > 0$  or  $0 < \alpha_2 < \alpha_1 < \beta$ ,  $d_\phi(\beta, \alpha_2) > d_\phi(\beta, \alpha_1)$

*Proof.* a). Since  $\phi$  is strictly convex,  $d_\phi(\cdot, \alpha)$  is strictly convex for any  $\alpha > 0$ , which can be showed by:

$$\frac{\partial d_\phi(\cdot, \alpha)}{\partial \alpha} = \phi\left(\frac{\cdot}{\alpha}\right) + \alpha \phi'\left(\frac{\cdot}{\alpha}\right) \left(-\frac{\cdot}{\alpha^2}\right) = \phi\left(\frac{\cdot}{\alpha}\right) - \frac{\cdot}{\alpha} \phi'\left(\frac{\cdot}{\alpha}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 d_\phi(\cdot, \alpha)}{\partial \alpha^2} = \phi'\left(\frac{\cdot}{\alpha}\right) \left(-\frac{\cdot}{\alpha^2}\right) - \left[-\frac{\cdot}{\alpha^2} \phi'\left(\frac{\cdot}{\alpha}\right) + \frac{\cdot}{\alpha} \phi''\left(\frac{\cdot}{\alpha}\right) \left(-\frac{\cdot}{\alpha^2}\right)\right] = \frac{\cdot}{\alpha^3} \phi''\left(\frac{\cdot}{\alpha}\right) > 0, \text{ since } \alpha > 0.$$

Thus by gradient inequality for  $d_\phi(\cdot, \alpha)$ ,

$$d_\phi(\beta_2, \alpha) = \alpha \phi\left(\frac{\beta_2}{\alpha}\right) > \alpha \phi\left(\frac{\beta_1}{\alpha}\right) + (\beta_2 - \beta_1) \phi'\left(\frac{\beta_1}{\alpha}\right)$$

Since  $\phi'(1) = 0$ ,  $\begin{cases} \phi'(x) > 0, & \text{if } x > 1 \\ \phi'(x) < 0, & \text{if } x < 1 \end{cases}$ , then  $(\beta_2 - \beta_1) \phi'\left(\frac{\beta_1}{\alpha}\right) > 0$ , since  $\begin{cases} \text{if } \beta_2 > \beta_1 \geq \alpha > 0, \\ \text{if } 0 < \beta_2 < \beta_1 \leq \alpha, \end{cases}$

b). it is straight-forward to find out  $d_\phi(\beta, \cdot)$  is strictly convex for the 1st argument, then from a), it is similarly proved.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.** Let  $\phi \in \Phi$  and  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ . Then  $d_\phi(\beta, \alpha) \geq 0$  with equality IFF  $\alpha = \beta$ .

**Theorem 6.** Let  $\phi \in \Phi$ . Then

- (1) There exists a unique continuous function  $\bar{x}_\phi$  which solves 2.1 such that

$$\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{a_i\} \leq \bar{x}_\phi \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{a_i\}$$

, for all  $a_i > 0$ . In particular  $\bar{x}(\alpha, \dots, \alpha) = \alpha$ .

- (2) The mean  $\bar{x}_\phi$  is strict, i.e.,

$$\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{a_i\} < \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{a_i\} \Rightarrow \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{a_i\} < \bar{x}_\phi < \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{a_i\}$$

- (3)  $\bar{x}_\phi$  is homogeneous (scale invariant), i.e.,

$$\bar{x}_\phi(\lambda a) = \lambda \bar{x}_\phi(a)$$

, for all  $\lambda > 0, a_i > 0$ .

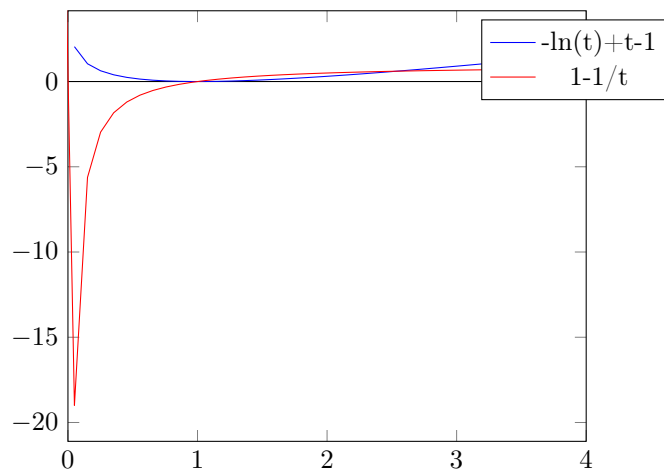
- (4) If  $w_i = w$  for all  $i$ , then  $\bar{x}_\phi$  is symmetric; i.e.,  $\bar{x}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is invariant to permutations of the  $a_i$ 's  $> 0$ .

- (5)  $\bar{x}_\phi$  is isotone; i.e., for all  $i$  and fixed  $\{a_j\}_{j=1}^n > 0, j \neq i$ ,  $\bar{x}(a_1, \dots, a_{j-1}, \cdot, a_{j+1}, \dots, a_n)$  is an increasing function.

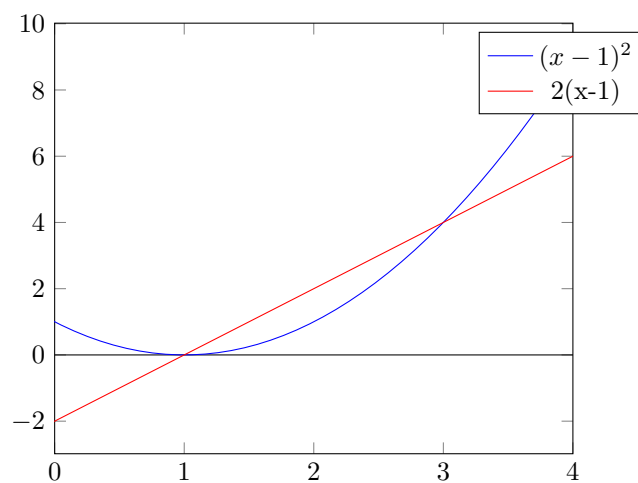
## 2.2. Examples.

**Example 7** (Classical means). Solving the derivative of 2.1:  $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \phi'\left(\frac{x}{a_i}\right) = 0$

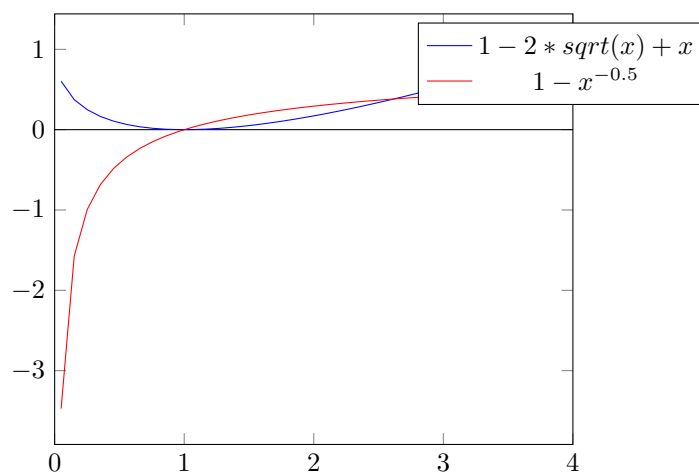
- (1) Arithmetic mean.  $\phi(t) = -\lg t + t - 1, \phi'(t) = -\frac{1}{t} + 1$ , then  $0 = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \phi'\left(\frac{x}{a_i}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left(1 - \frac{a_i}{x}\right) \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i a_i := A(a)$ .



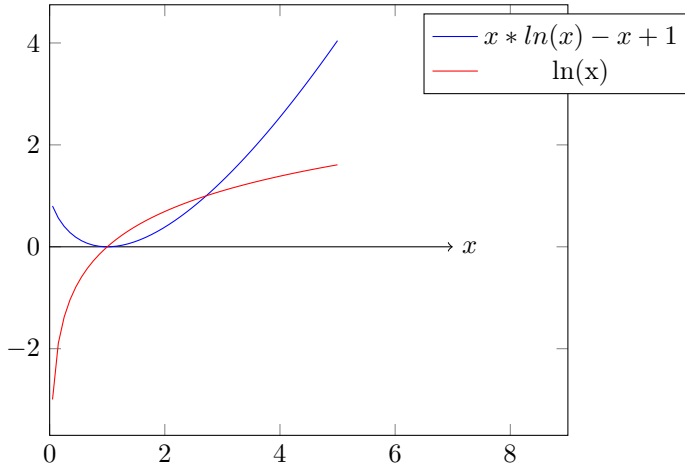
2) Harmonic mean.  $\phi(t) = (t-1)^2$ ,  $\phi'(t) = 2(t-1)$ , then  $0 = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \phi' \left( \frac{x}{a_i} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left( \frac{x}{a_i} - 1 \right) \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \frac{1}{a_i} \right)^{-1} := H(a)$ .



3) Root mean square.  $\phi(t) = 1 - 2\sqrt{t} + t$ ,  $\phi'(t) = 1 - t^{-1/2}$ , then  $0 = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \phi' \left( \frac{x}{a_i} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left( 1 - \sqrt{\frac{a_i}{x}} \right) \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \sqrt{a_i} \right)^2 := R(a)$ .

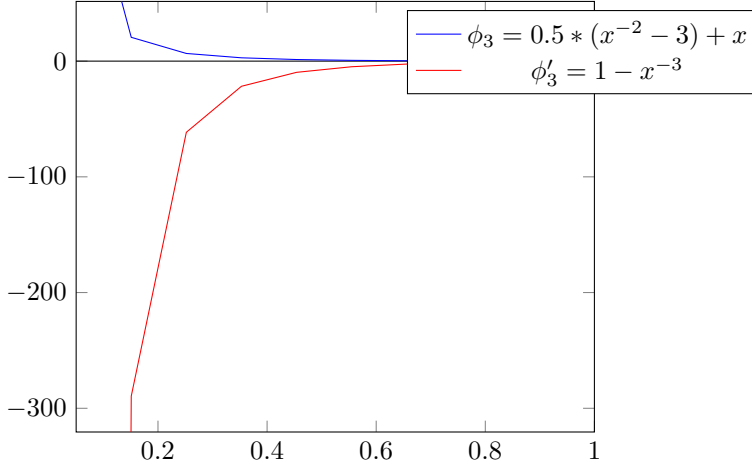


4) Geometric mean.  $\phi(t) = t \log t - t + 1$ ,  $\phi'(t) = \log t$ , then  $0 = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \phi' \left( \frac{x}{a_i} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i (\log x - \log a_i) \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \exp \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \log a_i \right) = \prod_{i=1}^n a_i^{w_i} := G(A)$ .



5) Mean of order  $p$ .  $\phi_p(t) = \frac{t^{1-p}-p}{p-1} + t$ ,  $p \neq 1, p > 0$ .  $\phi'_p(t) = 1 + \frac{(1-p)t^{-p}}{p-1} = 1 - t^{-p}$ , then  $0 = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \phi'_p\left(\frac{x}{a_i}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left(1 - \frac{a_i^p}{x^p}\right) \Rightarrow x^p = \sum w_i a_i^p \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \left(\sum w_i a_i^p\right)^{1/p}$ . To extend  $\bar{x}_p$  for negative order, one may choose  $\tilde{\phi}_q(t) = \frac{t^q - qt}{q-1} + 1$ ,  $q > 0, q \neq 1 \Rightarrow \bar{x}_q = \left(\sum w_i a_i^{1-q}\right)^{1/(1-q)}$ , since  $\tilde{\phi}'_q(t) = \frac{qt^{q-1}-q}{q-1} = \frac{q}{q-1}(t^{q-1}-1)$ , then  $0 = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \tilde{\phi}'_q\left(\frac{x}{a_i}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left(\frac{x^{q-1}}{a_i^{q-1}} - 1\right) \Rightarrow \bar{x}_q = \left(\sum w_i a_i^{1-q}\right)^{1/(1-q)}$ .

Note,  $\tilde{\phi}_q(t) = t\phi_p\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) = t\left(t^{-1} + \frac{t^{p-1}-p}{p-1}\right) = 1 + \frac{t^p - pt}{p-1}$ , hence  $\tilde{\phi}_q$  is also strictly convex  $\forall t > 0$ .



And for  $p = q = 0.5$  yielding the Root mean square  $R$ ,

$$\bar{x} = \left(\sum w_i a_i^p\right)^{1/p} = \bar{x} = \left(\sum w_i a_i^{0.5}\right)^2$$

$$q = 2 \text{ gives harmonic mean } H, \bar{x}_q = \left(\sum w_i a_i^{-1}\right)^{-1}.$$

Application of *L'Hospital's* rule shows:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{p \rightarrow 1} \phi_p(t) &= \lim_{p \rightarrow 1} \left( \frac{t^{1-p} - p}{p-1} + t \right) \\ &= t + \lim_{p \rightarrow 1} (-t^{1-p} \log t - 1) \\ &= t - \log t - 1 \end{aligned}$$

which corresponds to Arithmetic mean's  $\phi$ .

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{q \rightarrow 1} \phi_q(t) &= \lim_{q \rightarrow 1} \left( \frac{t^q - qt}{q-1} + 1 \right) \\ &= 1 + \lim_{q \rightarrow 1} (t^q \log t - t) \\ &= 1 + t \log t - t \end{aligned}$$

which corresponds to Geometric mean's  $\phi$ .

9) Composition of means.



Let  $\phi(t) = \frac{1}{3}(-2\log t + t^2 - 1)$ ,  $\Rightarrow 0 = \sum w_i \left( \frac{x}{a_i} - \frac{a_i}{x} \right) \Rightarrow \bar{x}_\phi(a) = \left( \frac{\sum w_i a_i}{\sum w_i / a_i} \right)^{1/2} = \sqrt{A(a)H(a)}$ , i.e., the geometric mean of  $A$  and  $H$ .

### 2.3. Comparison of means.

**Theorem 8.** Let  $\phi, \psi \in \Phi$  and denote by  $\bar{x}_\phi, \bar{x}_\psi$  respectively the corresponding entropic means. If there exists a constant  $K \neq 0$  such that

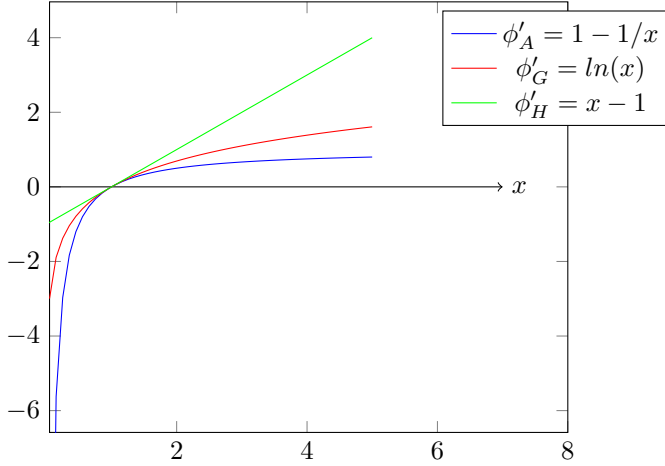
$$K\phi'(t) \leq \psi'(t), \forall t \in \mathbb{R}_+ \setminus \{1\}$$

then,

$$\bar{x}_\phi(a) \geq \bar{x}_{\psi}(a).$$

*Proof by contradiction.*

**Example 9.** Show the classical inequalities  $A(a) \geq G(a) \geq H(a)$  are an easy consequence of the theorem above.



**Theorem 10.** Let  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \Phi$  and  $\phi_\lambda(t) := \lambda\phi_1(t) + (1 - \lambda)\phi_2(t)$ , then for all  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ ,

$$\min \{ \bar{x}_{\phi_1}(a), \bar{x}_{\phi_2}(a) \} \leq \bar{x}_{\phi_\lambda}(a) \leq \max \{ \bar{x}_{\phi_1}(a), \bar{x}_{\phi_2}(a) \}$$

*Proof.* 1st note  $\forall \lambda \in [0, 1], \phi_\lambda \in \Phi$ . Now  $\bar{x}_{\phi_\lambda}$  is obtained from

$$\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left\{ \lambda \phi'_1 \left( \frac{\bar{x}_{\phi_\lambda}}{a_i} \right) + (1 - \lambda) \phi'_2 \left( \frac{\bar{x}_{\phi_\lambda}}{a_i} \right) \right\} = 0$$

Assume  $\bar{x}_{\phi_\lambda} < \min(\bar{x}_{\phi_1}, \bar{x}_{\phi_2})$ , then since  $\phi'_1, \phi'_2$  are strictly increasing we have

$$(2.2) \quad \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \phi'_1 \left( \frac{\bar{x}_{\phi_1}}{a_i} \right) + (1 - \lambda) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \phi'_2 \left( \frac{\bar{x}_{\phi_2}}{a_i} \right) > 0.$$

but from the optimality conditions for  $\bar{x}_{\phi_1}, \bar{x}_{\phi_2}$ , the left hand of 2.2 should be equal to 0, hence the contradiction.

Similarly for  $\bar{x}_{\phi_\lambda} > \max(\bar{x}_{\phi_1}, \bar{x}_{\phi_2})$ . □

**Example 11.** let  $\phi_1(t) = -\log t + t - 1$  and  $\phi_2(t) = (t - 1)^2$ . Then  $\bar{x}_{\phi_1} = A(a)$  and  $\bar{x}_{\phi_2} = H(a)$ . Consider  $\lambda = \frac{2}{3}, \phi_\lambda(t) = \lambda\phi_1(t) + (1 - \lambda)\phi_2(t)$  which is the function to derive the geometric mean of harmonic mean and arithmetic mean.

Then  $H(a) \leq \sqrt{A(a)H(a)} \leq A(a)$  since  $H(a) \leq A(a)$ .

**2.4. Entropic mean for random variables.** Let  $A$  be a non-negative RV with distribution  $F$  and support  $\text{supp} A := [\alpha, \beta], 0 \leq \alpha \leq \beta \leq +\infty$ . A natural generalization of problem 2.1 is

$$\min \left\{ E \left[ A \phi \left( \frac{x}{A} \right) \right] := \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} t \phi \left( \frac{x}{t} \right) dF(t) : x \in \mathbb{R}_+ \right\},$$

$$\text{Pr} \{ A = a_i \} := w_i, \text{ for the discrete case above}$$

**Theorem 12.** then for any positive random variable  $A$ :

- (1) There exists a unique  $\bar{x}_\phi$  which solves 2.1 such that  $\bar{x}_\phi \in \text{supp} A$ .
- (2) If  $a$  is a degenerate RV, i.e.,  $A=C$  where  $C$  is a positive finite constant, then  $\bar{x}_\phi = C$ .
- (3) For all  $\lambda > 0, \bar{x}_\phi(\lambda A) = \lambda \bar{x}_\phi(A)$ .

The optimality condition equation :

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \phi' \left( \frac{x}{t} \right) dF(t) = 0$$

**Example 13** ( $\theta$ th Quantile.). Let

$$\phi(\xi) = \begin{cases} (1-\theta)(\xi-1) & , \xi > 1 \\ \theta(1-\xi) & , 0 < \xi \leq 1 \end{cases} \quad (0 < \theta < 1)$$

*Remark 14.* The differentiability assumption on  $\phi$  can be relaxed, since  $\phi$  is convex, its left and right derivative  $\phi'_-(x)$  and  $\phi'_+(x)$  exist and finite and increasing. Moreover, the subdifferential of  $\phi$  is  $\partial\phi(x) = [\phi'_-(x), \phi'_+(x)]$ . then  $0 \in \partial\phi(x)$  and it is guaranteed for all strictly convex function  $\phi(x) > 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}_+ \setminus \{1\}$ .

Clearly  $\phi(\xi)$  is not differentiable at  $\xi = 1$ , but  $0 \in \partial\phi(1)$ , thus not matter.  
The objective function of 2.1 is

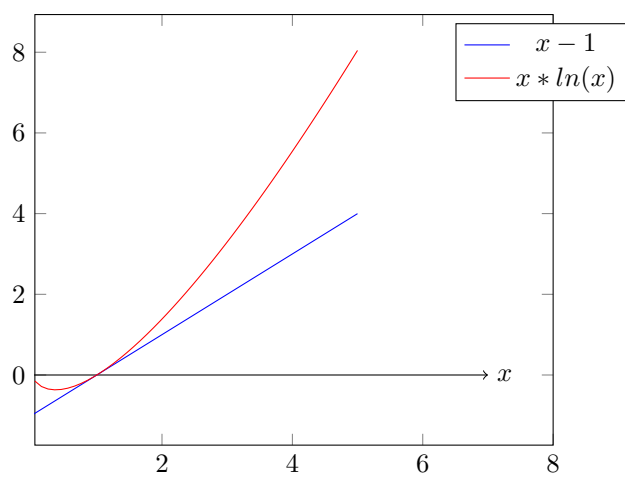
$$\begin{aligned} h(x) &:= E \left[ t\phi \left( \frac{x}{A} \right) \right] = \int_0^{\infty} t\phi \left( \frac{x}{t} \right) dF(t) \\ &= (1-\theta) \int_0^x (x-t) dF(t) + \theta \int_x^{\infty} (t-x) dF(t) \\ &= (1-\theta) \left[ x \int_0^x dF(t) - \int_0^x t dF(t) \right] + \theta \left[ \int_x^{\infty} t dF(t) \right] - \theta x \left[ 1 - \int_0^x dF(t) \right] \\ &= \underbrace{(1-\theta) x F(x)}_{=xF(x)} - (1-\theta) \int_0^x t dF(t) + \theta \left[ E(A) - \int_0^x t dF(t) \right] - \theta x + \underbrace{\theta x F(x)}_{=\theta x F(x)} \\ &= xF(x) - \int_0^x t dF(t) + \underbrace{\theta \int_0^x t dF(t)}_{=\theta \int_0^x t dF(t)} + \theta E(A) - \underbrace{\theta \int_0^x t dF(t)}_{=\theta \int_0^x t dF(t)} - \theta x \\ &= xF(x) - \int_0^x t dF(t) + \theta E(A) - \theta x \end{aligned}$$

Then  $0 = h'(\bar{x}_\phi) = F(x) + xf(x) - xf(x) - \theta \Rightarrow F(\bar{x}_\phi) = \theta$ , i.e.,  $\bar{x}_\phi$  is the  $\theta$ th quantile of the continuous RV  $A$ . In particular for  $\theta = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\bar{x}_\phi$  is the median.

## 2.5. Extremal principle for the HLP Generalized mean.

*Claim 15.* Means not processing the properties listed in 6 cannot be derived from the solution of problem 2.1 with the entropy type distance  $d_\phi(x, a_i) = a_i \phi(x/a_i)$ .

Inequality:  $\forall p > 0, p \ln p \geq p - 1$



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Hölder's Inequality:

$$|u^T v| \leq \left( \sum |u_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \sum |v_i|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}, \text{ where } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$$

For

$$\Psi(z) = \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^k e^{-z_i} \right), z \in R^k$$

1.  $\Psi$  is convex (5 points)

Proof:

let  $z_\lambda = \frac{1}{p}x + \frac{1}{q}y$ , where  $x, y \in R^k, p, q \in R^+$  and  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, \lambda = \frac{1}{p}, 1 - \lambda = \frac{1}{q}, 0 < \lambda < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi \left( \frac{1}{p}x + \frac{1}{q}y \right) &= \Psi(z_\lambda) = \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^k e^{-z_i} \right) \\ &= \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{1}{p}x_i + \frac{1}{q}y_i \right) \right] \right) \\ &= \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{1}{p}x_i \right) \right] \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{1}{q}y_i \right) \right] \right) \\ &= \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^k [\exp(-x_i)]^{\frac{1}{p}} [\exp(-y_i)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right) \\ &= \log(u^T v) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} [\exp(-x_1)]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ [\exp(-x_2)]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ \vdots \\ [\exp(-x_k)]^{\frac{1}{p}} \end{bmatrix}, v = \begin{bmatrix} [\exp(-y_1)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ [\exp(-y_2)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ \vdots \\ [\exp(-y_k)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{bmatrix}$$

thus from Hölder's Inequality, we can have

$$\begin{aligned} u^T v = |u^T v| &\leq \left( \sum |u_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \sum |v_i|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \left| [\exp(-x_i)]^{\frac{1}{p}} \right|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \left| [\exp(-y_i)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \exp(-x_i) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \exp(-y_i) \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned}$$

(where  $u^T v > 0$  since  $u_i > 0, v_i > 0, i = 1, \dots, k$ , thus  $u^T v = |u^T v|$ )

thus

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi \left( \frac{1}{p}x + \frac{1}{q}y \right) &= \Psi(z_\lambda) = \log(u^T v) \\ &\leq \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \exp(-x_i) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \exp(-y_i) \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &= \frac{1}{p} \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \exp(-x_i) \right) + \frac{1}{q} \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \exp(-y_i) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{p} \Psi(x) + \frac{1}{q} \Psi(y) \end{aligned}$$

which proved convexity of function  $\Psi$

2.

$$\Psi(y) - \Psi(z) \leq \sum_{i=1}^k (z_i - y_i) \frac{\exp(-y_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^k \exp(-y_i)}$$

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