

Lower bounds on the quantum Fisher information based on the variance and various types of entropies

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Why is the quantum Fisher information important?

- Many experiments are aiming to carry out a metrological task.
- If we can estimate the quantum Fisher information, we know how well this task **could be** carried out.
- Estimating the quantum Fisher information can be much simpler than carrying out the metrological task.

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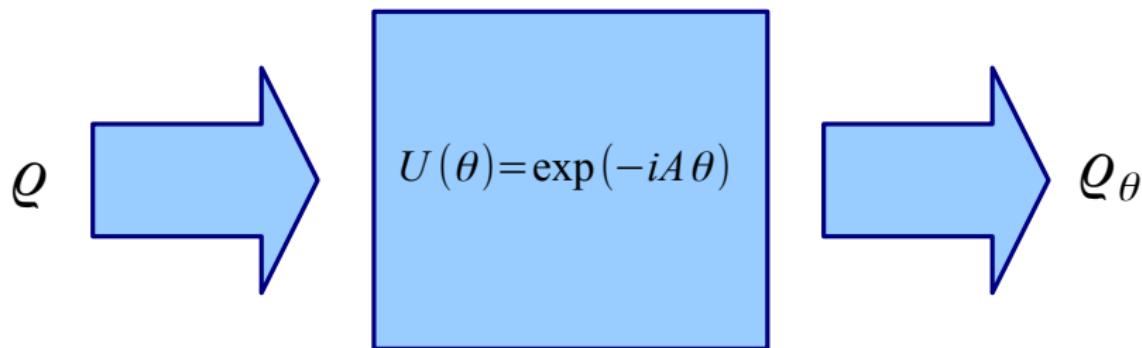
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Quantum metrology

- Fundamental task in metrology



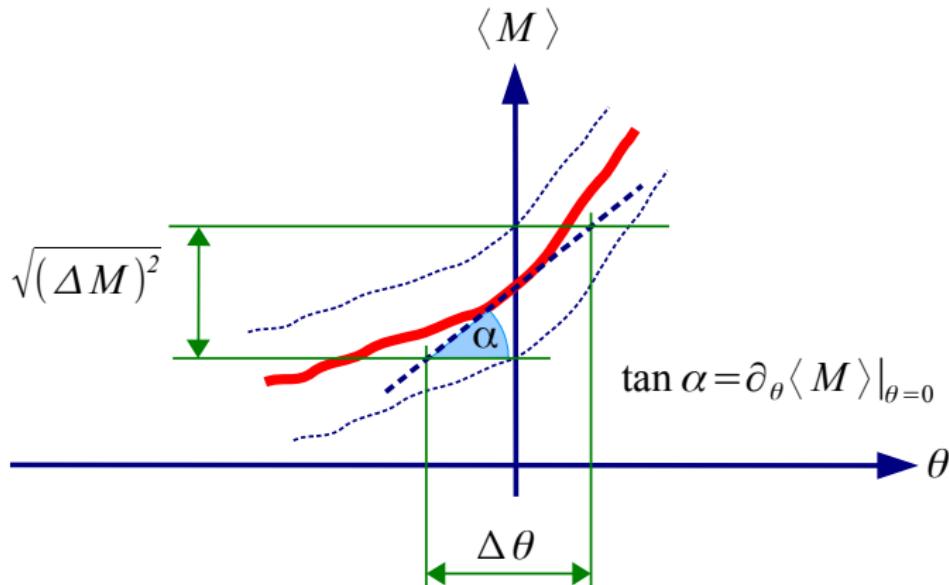
- We have to estimate θ in the dynamics

$$U = \exp(-iA\theta).$$

Precision of parameter estimation

- Measure an operator M to get the estimate θ . The precision is

$$(\Delta\theta)^2 = \frac{(\Delta M)^2}{|\partial_\theta \langle M \rangle|^2}.$$



The quantum Fisher information

- Cramér-Rao bound on the precision of parameter estimation

$$(\Delta\theta)^2 \geq \frac{1}{F_Q[\varrho, A]}, \quad (\Delta\theta)^{-2} \leq F_Q[\varrho, A].$$

where $F_Q[\varrho, A]$ is the **quantum Fisher information**.

- The quantum Fisher information is

$$F_Q[\varrho, A] = 2 \sum_{k,l} \frac{(\lambda_k - \lambda_l)^2}{\lambda_k + \lambda_l} |\langle k | A | l \rangle|^2,$$

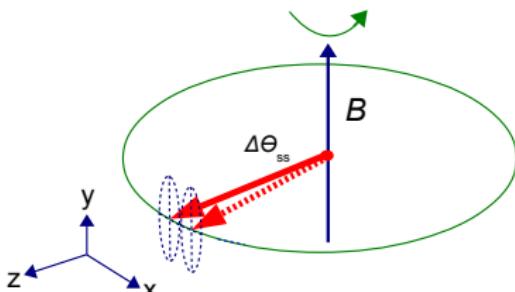
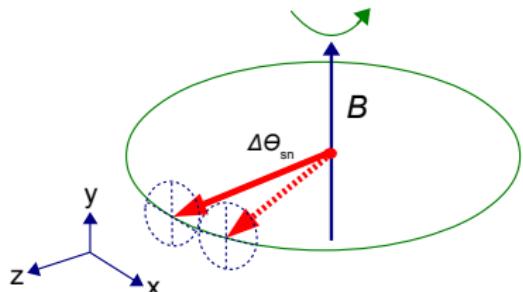
where $\varrho = \sum_k \lambda_k |k\rangle\langle k|$.

Special case $A = J_I$

- The operator A is defined as

$$A = J_I = \sum_{n=1}^N j_I^{(n)}, \quad I \in \{x, y, z\}.$$

- Magnetometry with a linear interferometer



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Properties of the Fisher information

Many bounds on the quantum Fisher information can be derived from these simple properties:

- For pure states, it equals four times the variance,
 $F[|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|, A] = 4(\Delta A)^2_{\Psi}.$
- For mixed states, it is convex.

The quantum Fisher information vs. entanglement

- For separable states

$$F_Q[\varrho, J_I] \leq N, \quad I = x, y, z.$$

[Pezze, Smerzi, Phys. Rev. Lett. 102, 100401 (2009); Hyllus, Guhne, Smerzi, Phys. Rev. A 82, 012337 (2010)]

- For states with at most k -particle entanglement (k is divisor of N)

$$F_Q[\varrho, J_I] \leq kN.$$

[P. Hyllus *et al.*, Phys. Rev. A 85, 022321 (2012); GT, Phys. Rev. A 85, 022322 (2012)].

- Macroscopic superpositions (e.g, GHZ states, Dicke states)

$$F_Q[\varrho, J_I] \propto N^2,$$

[F. Frowis, W. Dur, New J. Phys. 14 093039 (2012).]

Most important characteristics used for estimation

The quantum Fisher information is the convex roof of the variance

$$F_Q[\varrho, A] = 4 \min_{p_k, \Psi_k} \sum_k p_k (\Delta A)^2_k,$$

where

$$\varrho = \sum_k p_k |\Psi_k\rangle\langle\Psi_k|.$$

[GT, D. Petz, Phys. Rev. A 87, 032324 (2013); S. Yu, arXiv1302.5311 (2013);
GT, I. Apellaniz, J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 47, 424006 (2014)]

- Thus, it is similar to entanglement measures that are also defined by convex roofs.

Witnessing the quantum Fisher information based on few measurements

- The bound based on $w = \text{Tr}(\varrho W)$ is given as

$$F_Q[\varrho, J_z] \geq \sup_r \left[rw - \hat{\mathcal{F}}_Q(rW) \right].$$

- The Legendre transform is

$$\hat{\mathcal{F}}_Q(W) = \sup_{\varrho} (\langle W \rangle_{\varrho} - F_Q[\varrho, J_z]).$$

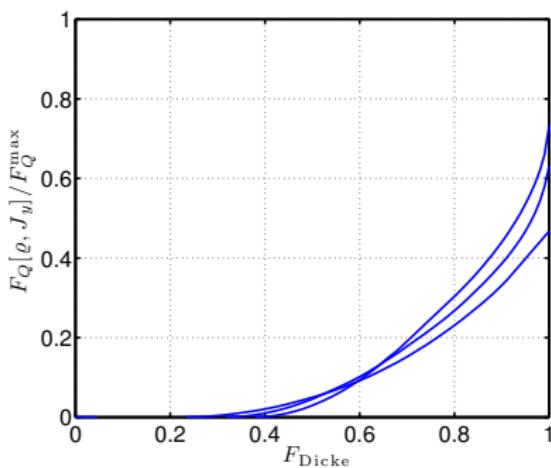
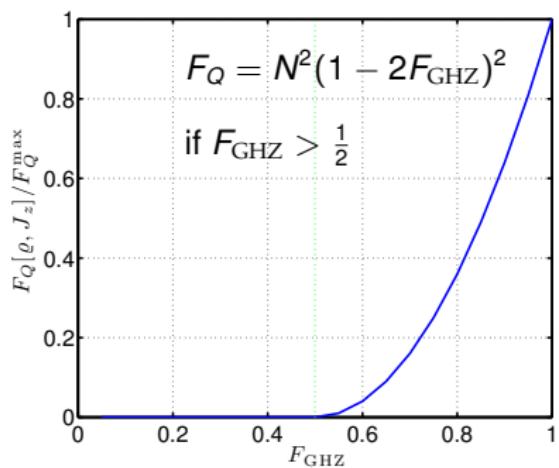
Due to the properties of F_Q mentioned above, it can be simplified

$$\hat{\mathcal{F}}_Q(W) = \sup_{\mu} \left\{ \lambda_{\max} \left[W - 4(J_z - \mu)^2 \right] \right\}.$$

[I. Apellaniz, M. Kleinmann, O. Gühne, and G. Tóth, Phys. Rev. A 95, 032330 (2017), Editors' Suggestion.]

Example: bound based on fidelity

- Let us bound the quantum Fisher information based on some measurements.



Quantum Fisher information vs. Fidelity with respect to
(a) GHZ states and (b) Dicke states for $N = 4, 6, 12$.

$$F_Q^{\max} = N^2.$$

Variance

- The variance is the concave roof of the itself

$$(\Delta A)_{\varrho}^2 = \sup_{\{p_k, \Psi_k\}} \sum_k p_k (\Delta A)_{\Psi_k}^2,$$

[GT, D. Petz, Phys. Rev. A 87, 032324 (2013)]

- For 2×2 covariance matrices there is always $\{\Psi_k, p_k\}$ such that

$$C_{\varrho} = \sup_{\{p_k, \Psi_k\}} \sum_k p_k C_{\Psi_k},$$

[Z. Léka and D. Petz, Prob. and Math. Stat. 33, 191 (2013)]

- For 3×3 covariance matrices, this is not always possible.
Necessary and sufficient conditions for an arbitrary dimension.
[D. Petz and D. Virosztek, Acta Sci. Math. (Szeged) 80, 681 (2014)]

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Bound based on the variance

- Let us define the quantity

$$V(\varrho, A) := (\Delta A)^2 - \frac{1}{4} F_Q[\varrho, A].$$

- It is well known that $V(\varrho, A) = 0$ for pure states.
- For states sufficiently pure $V(\varrho, A)$ is small.
- For states that are far from pure, the difference can be larger.

Generalized variance

- Generalized variances are defined as

$$\text{var}_\varrho^f(A) = \sum_{ij} m_f(\lambda_i, \lambda_j) |A_{ij}|^2 - \left(\sum_i \lambda_i A_{ii} \right)^2,$$

where $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is a matrix monotone function, and $m_f(a, b) = bf(b/a)$ is a corresponding mean.

[Petz, J. Phys. A 35, 929 (2002); Gibilisco, Hiai, and Petz, IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory 55, 439 (2009)]

- We can define a large set of generalized variances, including for example the usual variance $\langle A^2 \rangle - \langle A \rangle^2$.
- Consider $f_{\text{har}} = 2x/(1+x)$. The corresponding mean is the harmonic mean $m_{f_{\text{har}}}(a, b) = 2ab/(a+b)$. Direct calculations yield

$$\text{var}_\varrho^{f_{\text{har}}}(A) \equiv V(\varrho, A).$$

Bound based on the variance, rank-2

Observation 1.—For rank-2 states ϱ ,

$$(\Delta A)^2 - \frac{1}{4} F_Q[\varrho, A] = \frac{1}{2}[1 - \text{Tr}(\varrho^2)](\tilde{\sigma}_1 - \tilde{\sigma}_2)^2$$

holds, where $\tilde{\sigma}_k$ are the nonzero eigenvalues of the matrix

$$A_{kl} = \langle k | A | l \rangle.$$

Here $|k\rangle$ are the two eigenvectors of ϱ with nonzero eigenvalues. Thus, $\tilde{\sigma}_k$ are the eigenvalues of A on the range of ϱ .

Note

$$S_{\text{lin}}(\varrho) = 1 - \text{Tr}(\varrho^2) = 1 - \sum_k \lambda_k^2 = \sum_{k \neq l} \lambda_k \lambda_l.$$

Bound based on the variance, arbitrary rank

Observation 2.—For states ϱ with an arbitrary rank we have

$$(\Delta A)^2 - \frac{1}{4} F_Q[\varrho, A] \leq 2S_{\text{lin}}(\varrho)\sigma_{\max}(A^2),$$

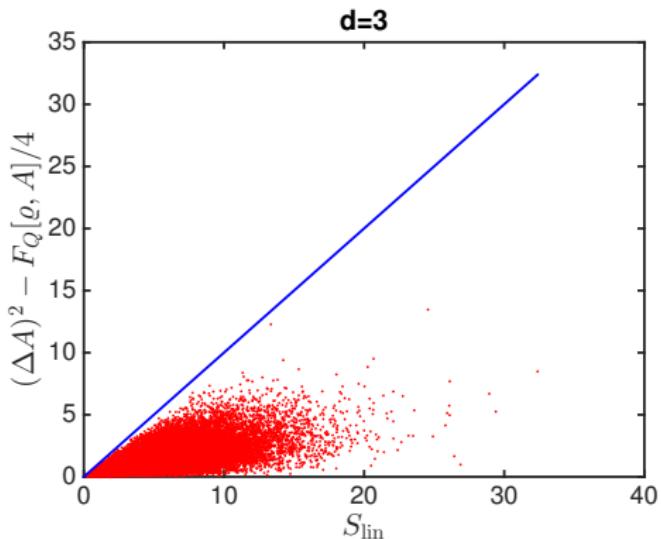
where $\sigma_{\max}(A^2)$ is the largest eigenvalue of A^2 .

Estimate F_Q :

- ① Measure the variance.
- ② Estimate the purity.
- ③ Find a lower bound on F_Q .

Bound based on the variance, arbitrary rank II

Numerical verification of the bound



Quantities Averaged over SU(d) generators

- Traceless Hermitian matrices

$$A_{\vec{n}} := \vec{A}^T \vec{n},$$

where $\vec{A} = [A^{(1)}, A^{(2)}, A^{(3)}, \dots]^T$ are the SU(d) generators.

- Average over unit vectors

$$\text{avg}_{\vec{n}} f(\vec{n}) = \frac{\int f(\vec{n}) M(d\vec{n})}{\int M(d\vec{n})}.$$

- Compute average of V for operators.
- It is zero only for pure states. \rightarrow Similar to entropies.

Bound on the average V

Observation 3.—The average of V over traceless Hermitian matrices with a fixed norm is given as

$$\text{avg}_{\substack{A: A=A^\dagger, \\ \text{Tr}(A)=0, \\ \text{Tr}(A^2)=2}} V(\varrho, A) = \frac{2}{d^2 - 1} \left[S_{\text{lin}}(\varrho) + H(\varrho) - 1 \right],$$

where d is the dimension of the system, and

$$H(\varrho) = 2 \sum_{k,l} \frac{\lambda_k \lambda_l}{\lambda_k + \lambda_l} = 1 + 2 \sum_{k \neq l} \frac{\lambda_k \lambda_l}{\lambda_k + \lambda_l}.$$

Average quantum Fisher information

- The average of the quantum Fisher information can be obtained as

$$\text{avg}_{\vec{n}} F_Q[\varrho, A_{\vec{n}}] = \frac{8}{N_g} [d - H(\rho)].$$

- It is maximal for pure states.

Bound based on the variance II

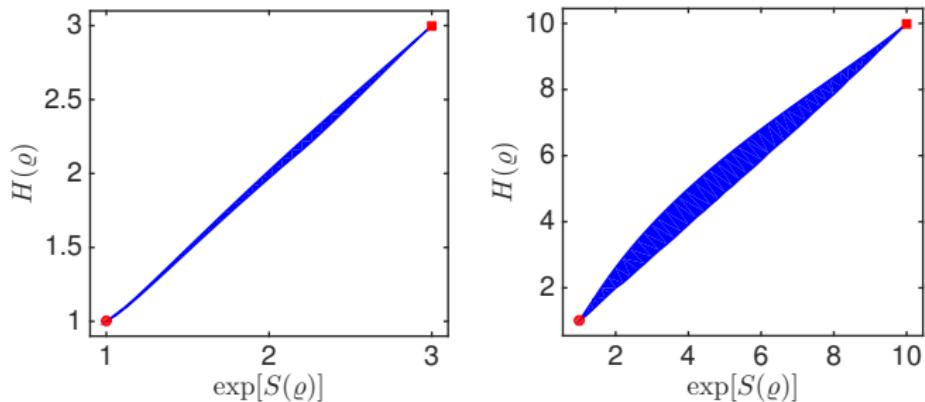


Figure: The relation between the von-Neumann entropy and $H(\rho)$ for $d = 3$ and 10 .

(filled area) Physical quantum states.

(dot) Pure states.

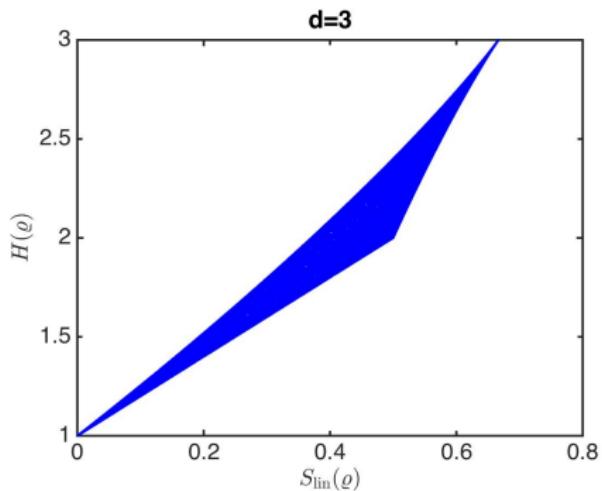
(square) Completely mixed state.

We see that

$$H(\rho) \sim \exp[S(\rho)].$$

What if we try the linear entropy

The relation between the two seems to be less strong.



Other type of quantum Fisher information

- The alternative form of the quantum Fisher information is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} F_Q(\varrho; A) &= 2 \sum_{k,l} \frac{1}{\lambda_k + \lambda_l} |A_{kl}|^2 \\ &= \sum_k \frac{1}{\lambda_k} |A_{kk}|^2 + 2 \sum_{k \neq l} \frac{1}{\lambda_k + \lambda_l} |A_{kl}|^2. \end{aligned}$$

- The quantum Fisher information defined above corresponds to estimating the parameter ϕ for the dynamics

$$\varrho_\phi = \varrho_0 + \phi A.$$

The Cramér-Rao bound in this case is

$$(\Delta\phi)^2 \geq \frac{1}{F_Q(\varrho; A)}.$$

Other type of quantum Fisher information

- In contrast, $F_Q[\varrho, A]$ corresponds to estimating the parameter θ of the unitary evolution

$$\varrho_\theta = \exp(-iJ_z\theta)\varrho_0 \exp(+iJ_z\theta),$$

as discussed in the introduction.

- The relation of the two types of quantum Fisher information is given by

$$F_Q[\varrho, A] = F_Q(\varrho; i[\varrho, A]).$$

Other type of quantum Fisher information II

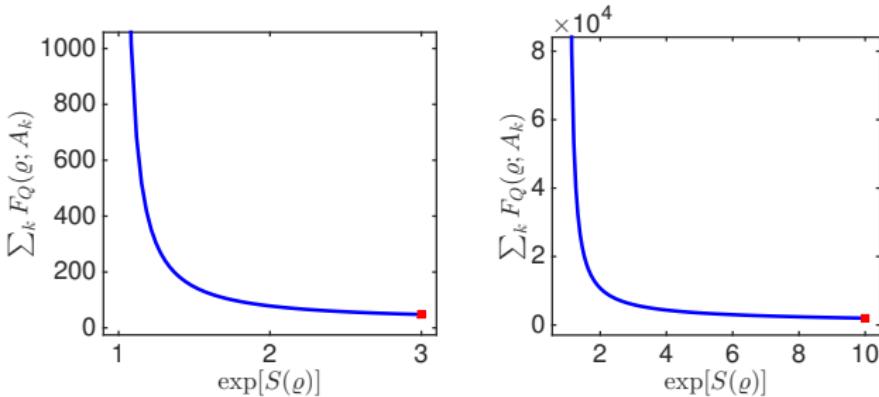


Figure: The relation between the von-Neumann entropy $S(\varrho)$ and the average $F(\varrho; A)$ defined in for $d = 3$ and 10 .

(solid) Points corresponding to the states giving the minimum (pure state mixed with white noise).

(square) Completely mixed state.

Generalized quantum Fisher information (D. Petz)

- The generalized QFI is defined as

$$F_Q^f(\varrho; A) = \sum_{k,l} \frac{1}{m_f(\lambda_k, \lambda_l)} |A_{kl}|^2, \quad (1)$$

where $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is a matrix monotone function, and $m_f(a, b) = bf(b/a)$ is a corresponding mean.

- Similarly, as before we can define

$$F_Q^f[\varrho, A] = F_Q^f(\varrho; i[\varrho, A]).$$

Kubo-Mori-Bogoliubov quantum Fisher information

- Let us consider $f_{\log}(x) = (x - 1)/\ln x$, which corresponds to the logarithmic mean

$$m_{f_{\log}}(a, b) = \frac{a - b}{\ln a - \ln b}.$$

- The corresponding generalized quantum Fisher information is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} F_Q^{\log}(\varrho; A) &= \sum_{k,l} \frac{\log(\lambda_k) - \log(\lambda_l)}{\lambda_k - \lambda_l} |A_{kl}|^2 \\ &= \sum_{k \neq l} \frac{\log(\lambda_k) - \log(\lambda_l)}{\lambda_k - \lambda_l} |A_{kl}|^2 + \sum_k \frac{1}{\lambda_k}. \end{aligned}$$

Kubo-Mori-Bogoliubov quantum Fisher information II

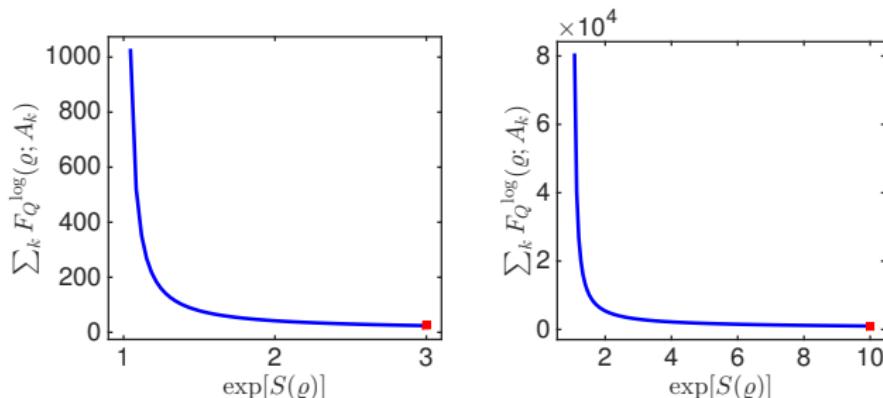


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Kubo-Mori-Bogoliubov quantum Fisher information III

Let us calculate

$$F_Q^{\log}[\varrho, A] = F_Q^{\log}(\varrho; i[\varrho, A]).$$

We obtain

$$F_Q^{\log}[\varrho, A] = \sum_{k,l} [\log(\lambda_k) - \log(\lambda_l)](\lambda_k - \lambda_l)|A_{kl}|^2.$$

With this one can show that

$$\frac{d^2}{d^2\theta} S(\varrho || e^{-iA\theta} \varrho e^{+iA\theta})|_{\theta=0} = F_Q^{\log}[\varrho, A],$$

and

$$\text{avg}_{\vec{n}} F_Q^{\log}[\varrho, A_{\vec{n}}] = -\frac{2}{N_g}(2dS + 2 \sum_k \log \lambda_k).$$

We get a similar curve for the minimum.

Kubo-Mori-Bogoliubov quantum Fisher information IV

- Relation to other works in the literature.
- S. Huber, R. Koenig, and A. Vershynina, Geometric inequalities from phase space translations, arxiv:1606.08603.

They establish a quantum version of the classical isoperimetric inequality relating the Fisher information and the entropy power of a quantum state.

- C. Rouze, N. Datta, and Y. Pautrat, Contractivity properties of a quantum diffusion semigroup, arxiv:1607.04242.

Summary

- We discussed how to find lower bounds on the quantum Fisher information and entropies.

See:
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Lower bounds on the quantum Fisher information based on the variance and various types of entropies, [arxiv:1701.07461](https://arxiv.org/abs/1701.07461).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

