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Part 1

The *iterated mean* divergences and their application to device-independent cryptography

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Asymptotic rates are given by:

Randomness expansion

$$H(AB|X = x^*, Y = y^*, E)$$

QKD

$$H(A|X = x^*, E) - H(A|X = x^*, Y = y^*, B)$$

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We want lower bounds on

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$$H(A|X = x^*, E)$$

s.t. $\sum_{abxy} c^i_{abxy} p(ab|xy) = w^i$

where the infimum is over all finite dimensional states $\rho_{Q_A Q_B E}$, POVMs $\{\{M_{a|x}\}_a\}_x, \{\{N_{b|y}\}_b\}_y$ and joint Hilbert spaces $Q_A \otimes Q_B \otimes E$.

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Our approach

Define new conditional entropies that are easy to bound device-independently and lower bound H(A|E).

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IM divergence properties

Satisfies data processing

$$D_{(\alpha_k)}(\mathcal{E}(\rho) \| \mathcal{E}(\sigma)) \le D_{(\alpha_k)}(\rho \| \sigma) \quad \forall \text{ channels } \mathcal{E}.$$

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Decreasing in k

$$D_{(\alpha_k)}(\rho \| \sigma) \leq D_{(\alpha_{k-1})}(\rho \| \sigma)$$

and so for the corresponding conditional entropies

$$H_{(\alpha_k)}(A|B) \ge H_{(\alpha_{k-1})}(A|B)$$

$$Improving lower bounds on H$$

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s.t. $\operatorname{Tr}_{A}[M] \leq I_{B}$ (6)
 $M \geq 0$

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For DI applications we can rewrite this in terms of the initial entangled state $|\psi\rangle\!\langle\psi|$ and the POVM operators used by Alice.

Can then be optimized in the Navascués Pironio Acín hierarchy [NPA07].

Application: DIRNG/DIQKD setup



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Part 2

Divergences defined via convex optimization with applications to quantum Shannon theory

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