

Entropy in Noncommutative Geometry

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Noncommutative geometry: spectral triples

Motivation:

- Generalise geometry to quantum spaces,
- Encode geometry of space through operators on a Hilbert space,
- Provide unified framework linking geometry with physics, specifically quantum systems and gauge theories.

Spectral triple:

$$(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{H}, D)$$

- Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$,
- Unital $*$ -algebra $\mathcal{A}$ represented as bounded operators on $\mathcal{H}$,
- Operator D on $\mathcal{H}$, which is self-adjoint, has compact resolvent and such that $[D, a]$ gives a bounded operator, see, e.g., [2, 3].

Second quantisation: Fock spaces

The fermionic Fock space is

$$\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{H}_0 \oplus \mathcal{H}_1 \oplus \mathcal{H}_2 \oplus \dots \quad \text{for } \mathcal{H}_j = \mathcal{H} \wedge \dots \wedge \mathcal{H} \text{ (} j \text{ times)}.$$

We can use D to change the inner product on $\mathcal{H}$ (and $\mathcal{F}$):

$$\langle u|v \rangle_I = g(u, v) + ig(Iu, v) \text{ for } I = i \text{ sign}(D).$$

Entropy

The **von Neumann entropy** of state $\phi(\cdot) = \text{Tr}(\rho \cdot)$ is

$$S(\phi) := -\text{Tr}(\rho \log \rho) \quad (1)$$

for ρ a density matrix on the Hilbert space.

KMS-states

We are interested in equilibrium states $\rightarrow$ KMS_β -states: ϕ such that

$$\phi(a\sigma_t(b))|_{t=i\beta} = \phi(ba)$$

for all operators a, b and time evolution

$$\sigma_t(X) \sim e^{itH} X e^{-itH}.$$

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Example: two-point space

$$F = \begin{array}{c} 1 \quad \xleftarrow{r} \quad 2 \\ \updownarrow \end{array}$$

$$\left(C^\infty(F) = \mathbb{C}^2, \mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}^2, D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1/r \\ 1/r & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

We want the entropy on Fock space $\mathcal{F} \cong \mathbb{C} \oplus \mathbb{C}^2 \oplus \mathbb{C}$.

- Denote by

$$\Lambda e^{-\beta|D|}(u_1 \wedge \dots \wedge u_k) = (e^{-\beta|D|}u_1) \wedge \dots \wedge (e^{-\beta|D|}u_k)$$

the lift of operator $e^{-\beta|D|}$ on $\mathcal{H}$ to $\mathcal{F}$.

- Fix $H = -\frac{1}{\beta} \log(\Lambda e^{-\beta|D|})$, i.e.,

$$H(u_1 \wedge \dots \wedge u_k) = - \sum_{j=1}^k u_1 \wedge \dots \wedge (|D|u_j) \wedge \dots \wedge u_k.$$

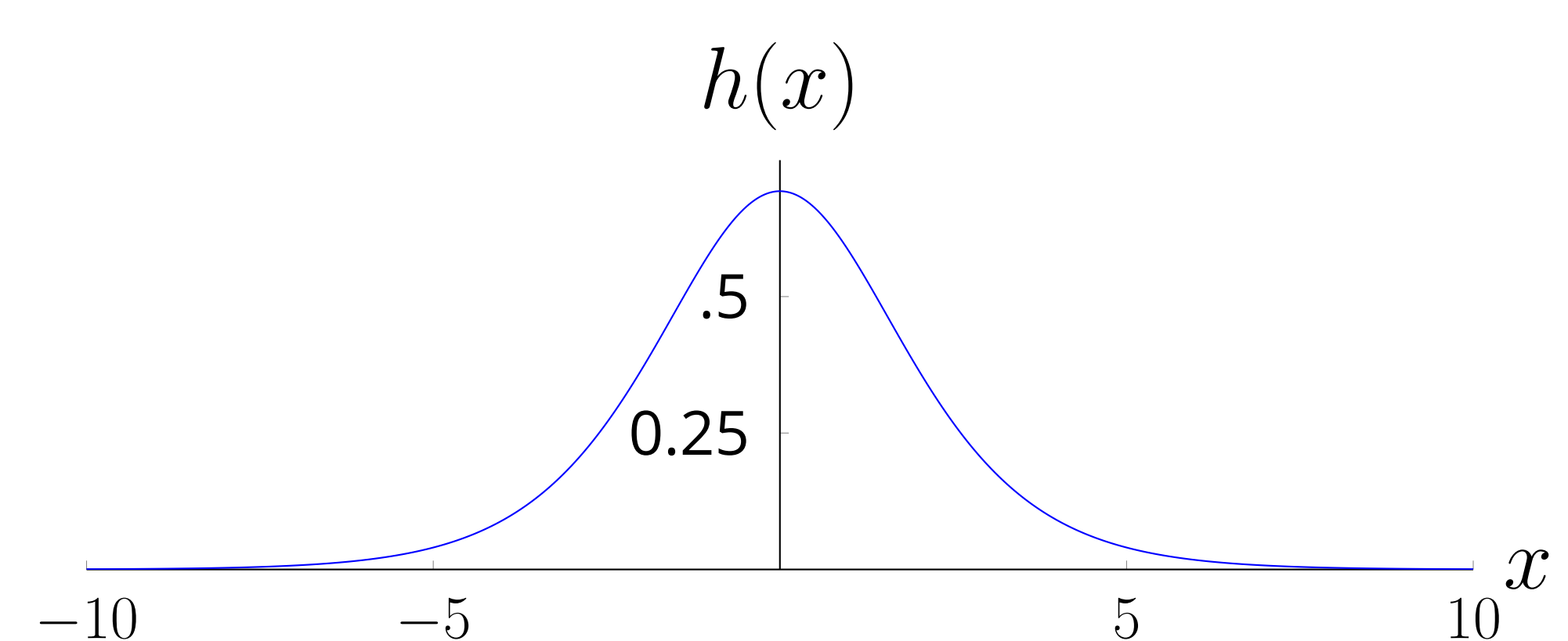
- KMS_β -states are unique:

$$\psi_\beta(\cdot) = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{F}}(\rho_\beta \cdot) \quad \text{for} \quad \rho_\beta = \frac{1}{\text{Tr}_{\mathcal{F}}(\Lambda e^{-\beta|D|})} \Lambda e^{-\beta|D|}.$$

Entropy for two-point space

The entropy of the KMS_β -state is (see also [1])

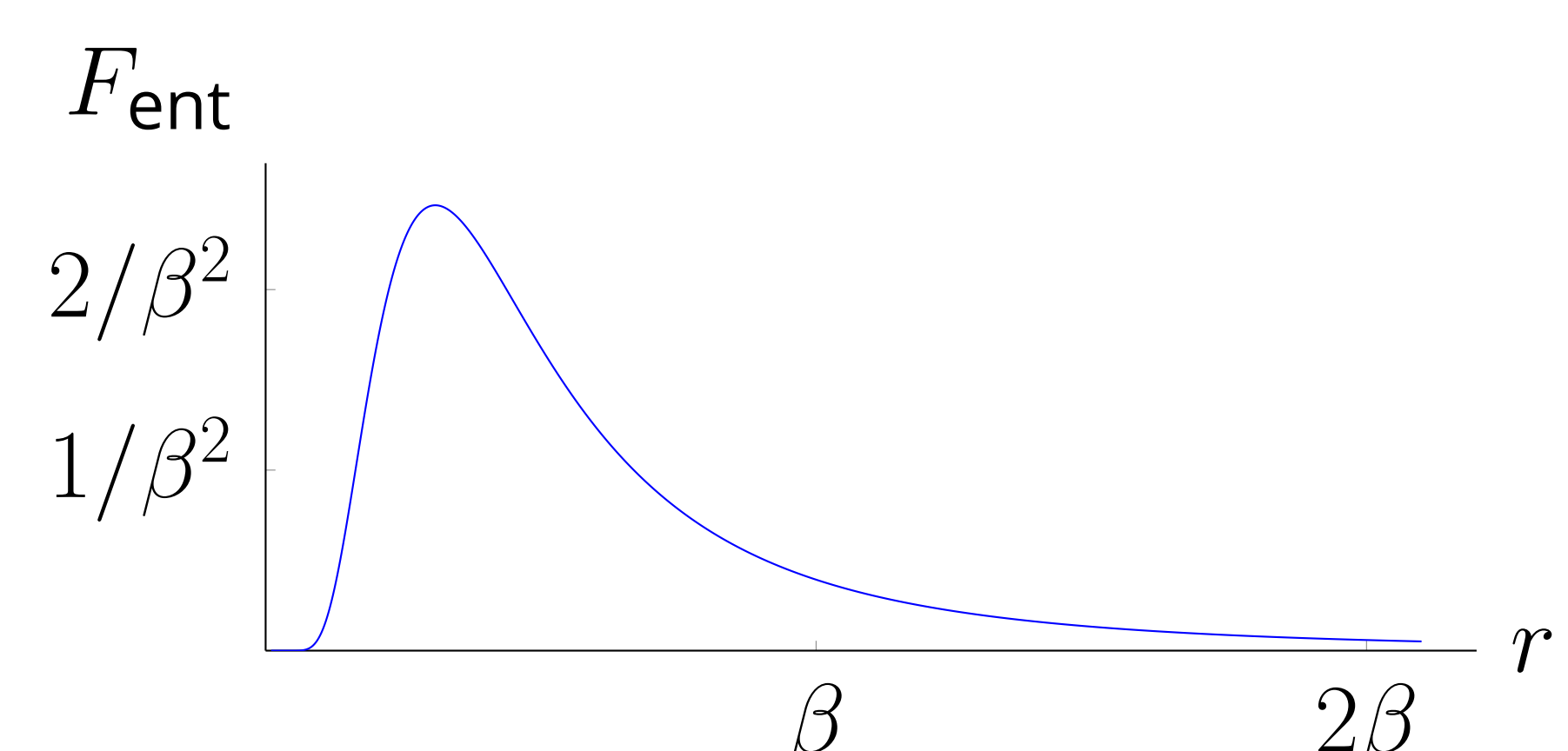
$$S(\psi_\beta) = 2h(\beta/r) = 2 \frac{\beta/r}{1 + e^{\beta/r}} + 2 \log(1 + e^{-\beta/r}). \quad (2)$$



Entropic force and emergence

Maximising r gives maximal entropy, the entropic force enforces this:

$$F_{\text{ent}}(r) := \frac{1}{\beta} \partial_r S(\rho_\beta) = \frac{\beta/2r^3}{\cosh^2(\beta/2r)}.$$



Interpret the corresponding tendency to have r increase as the '**emergence** of two points from a single one'.