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# Entropies related to integral operators <sup>1</sup>

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### Abstract

We consider classical entropies associated with several continuous distributions of probabilities. Explicit expressions and properties of them are presented.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $p = (p_0(x), p_1(x), p_2(x), ...)$  be a probability distribution, where each  $p_k$  is a continuous function on an interval  $\mathbf{I}, p_k(x) \geq 0$  and

$$\sum_{k} p_k(x) = 1, \ x \in \mathbf{I}.$$

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Given some points  $x_k \in \mathbf{I}$ , k = 0, 1, 2, ..., we can construct a positive linear operator

(1.1) 
$$Lf(x) = \sum_{k} f(x_k) p_k(x), \ x \in \mathbf{I},$$

for those functions  $f \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{I})$ , for which the right-hand side is defined.

On the other hand the index of coincidence associated with  $\boldsymbol{p}$  is defined by

(1.2) 
$$S(x) = \sum_{k} p_k^2(x), \ x \in \mathbf{I},$$

and the corresponding Rényi entropy and Tsallis entropy of order 2 can be expressed as

$$(1.3) R(x) = -\log S(x), \ x \in \mathbf{I},$$

respectively

(1.4) 
$$T(x) = 1 - S(x), x \in \mathbf{I}.$$

For details see, e.g., [10], [14] and the references therein.

For example, the binomial distribution

$$p_{n,k}(x) := \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k}, \ k = 0, 1, 2, ..., n; \ x \in [0, 1]$$

is related to the classical Bernstein operators

$$B_n f(x) := \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k}, \ x \in [0,1].$$

The Poisson distribution

$$p_{n,k}(x) := e^{-nx} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!}, \ k = 0, 1, ...; \ x \ge 0$$

corresponds to the  $Sz\acute{a}sz-Mirakjan$  operators

$$M_n f(x) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) e^{-nx} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!}, \ x \ge 0,$$

and the negative binomial distribution

$$p_{n,k}(x) := \binom{n+k-1}{k} x^k (1+x)^{-n-k}, \ x \ge 0, \ k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

corresponds to the Baskakov operators

$$V_n f(n) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c} n+k-1\\ k \end{array}\right) x^k (1+x)^{-n-k}, \ x \ge 0.$$

In these three classical cases, the corresponding indices of coincidence were denoted in [14] by

$$F_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \left( \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k} \right)^2, \ x \in [0,1],$$

$$K_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \left( e^{-nx} \frac{(nx)^k}{k!} \right)^2, \ x \in [0,\infty),$$

$$G_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \left( \binom{n+k-1}{k} x^k (1+x)^{-n-k} \right)^2, \ x \in [0,\infty).$$

The Bleimann - Butzer - Hahn operators

$$H_n f(x) := \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{n-k+1}\right) \binom{n}{k} x^k (1+x)^{-n}, \ x \ge 0,$$

are associated with the distribution

$$p_{n,k}(x) := \binom{n}{k} x^k (1+x)^{-n}, \ k = 0, 1, ..., n; \ x \ge 0$$

and with index of concidence

$$U_n(x) := \sum_{k=0}^n \left( \binom{n}{k} x^k (1+x)^{-n} \right)^2, \ x \ge 0.$$

For the  $Meyer-K\ddot{o}nig$  and Zeller operators

$$R_n f(x) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f\left(\frac{k}{n+k}\right) \binom{n+k}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n+1}, \ x \in [0,1],$$

the corresponding probability distribution is

$$p_{n,k}(x) := \binom{n+k}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n+1}, \ k = 0, 1, 2, ...; \ x \in [0, 1],$$

and the index of coincidence is

$$J_n(x) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \binom{n+k}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n+1} \right)^2, \ x \ge 0.$$

The above indices of coincidence were studied in [1], [3], [4], [7], [9], [11], [14], [15], [16].

The logarithmic convexity of  $F_n$  has been established recently in [2], [4], [12].

Consider now an integral operator of the form

(1.5) 
$$Lf(x) = \int_{\mathbf{I}} K(x,t)f(t)dt, \ x \in \mathbf{I},$$

where the kernel K is positive and continuous on **IxI**. Suppose that

(1.6) 
$$\int_{\mathbf{I}} K(x,t)dt = 1, \ x \in \mathbf{I},$$

so that  $K(x, \bullet)$  can be considered as a probability density function on  $\mathbf{I}$ , for each  $x \in \mathbf{I}$ .

Let us define (see also [10])

(1.7) 
$$S(x) := \int_{\mathbf{I}} (K(x,t))^2 dt, \ x \in \mathbf{I}.$$

The function S(x) is called the *information potential* associated with  $K(x, \bullet)$ .

The associated Rényi and Tsallis entropies will be  $R(x) := -\log S(x)$ , T(x) := 1 - S(x),  $x \in \mathbf{I}$ . These definitions, related to the integral operators (1.5), correspond to the definitions (1.2), (1.3), (1.4), related to the discrete operator (1.1).

In this paper we shall compute S(x) from (1.7), for some integral operators of the form (1.5), and establish bounds for S(x).

## 2 The Post-Widder operators

For the definition of these operators see, e.g., [5, p.114].

$$L_n f(x) = \frac{\left(\frac{n}{x}\right)^n}{(n-1)!} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{nt}{x}} t^{n-1} f(t) dt, \ x > 0$$

**Theorem 1** The corresponding information potential is

(2.1) 
$$S_n = \binom{2n-2}{n-1} \frac{n}{2^{2n-1}} \frac{1}{x}, \ x > 0.$$

Proof. The corresponding kernel is

$$K(x,t) := \frac{\left(\frac{n}{x}\right)^n}{(n-1)!} e^{-\frac{nt}{x}} t^{n-1}, \ t, x > 0,$$

so that

$$S_n(x) = \int_0^\infty \frac{\left(\frac{n}{x}\right)^{2n}}{(n-1)!^2} e^{-\frac{2nt}{x}} t^{2n-2} dt.$$

Setting  $\frac{2n}{x}t = s$ , we get

$$S_n(x) = \frac{n^{2n}}{x^{2n}} \frac{1}{(n-1)!^2} \left(\frac{x}{2n}\right)^{2n-1} \Gamma(2n-1)$$

$$=\frac{n^{2n}}{x^{2n}}\frac{(2n-2)!}{(n-1)!^2}\frac{x^{2n-1}}{(2n)^{2n-1}}=\left(\begin{array}{c}2n-2\\n-1\end{array}\right)\frac{n}{2^{2n-1}}\frac{1}{x}.$$

Corollary 1 The function  $S_n(x)$  given by (2.1) satisfies the inequalities

(2.2) 
$$\frac{n}{2\sqrt{\pi(n+2)}} \frac{1}{x} < S_n(x) < \frac{n}{2\sqrt{\pi(n-2)}} \frac{1}{x}, \ x > 0, \ x \ge 3.$$

Consequently, for a fixed  $n \geq 1$ ,

(2.3) 
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} S_n(x) = 0, \qquad \lim_{x \to 0} S_n(x) = \infty,$$

and for a fixed x > 0,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} S_n(x) = \infty,$$

Proof. We use the inequalities (see [6, (1.9)])

(2.5) 
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi(n+3)}} < \frac{1}{4^n} \binom{2n}{n} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi(n-1)}}, \ n \ge 2,$$

Now (2.2) follows from (2.1) and (2.5). Let us remark that

(2.6) 
$$S_1(x) = S_2(x) = \frac{1}{2x}, \ x > 0.$$

Thus (2.3) and 2.4 are also valid, and the proof is finished.

# 3 The Gamma operators

These operators are defined, e.g., in [5, p.114]:

$$G_n f(x) = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^\infty e^{-ux} u^n f\left(\frac{n}{u}\right) du, \ x > 0.$$

Theorem 2 The associated information potential is

(3.1) 
$$S_n(x) = \binom{2n}{n} \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{n4^{n+1}} \frac{1}{x}, \ x > 0.$$

Proof.

Setting  $\frac{n}{y} = y$ , we get

$$G_n f(x) = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{nx}{y}} \left(\frac{n}{y}\right)^n f(y) \frac{n}{y^2} dy = \frac{(nx)^{n+1}}{n!} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{nx}{y}} \frac{1}{y^{n+2}} f(y) dy.$$

Therefore 
$$S_n(x) = \frac{(nx)^{2n+2}}{n!^2} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{2nx}{y}} \frac{1}{y^{2n+4}} dy$$
.

Let  $z = \frac{2nx}{y}$ . Then

$$S_n(x) = \frac{(nx)^{2n+2}}{n!^2} \int_0^\infty e^{-z} \frac{z^{2n+4}}{(2nx)^{2n+4}} \frac{2nx}{z^2} dz =$$

$$= \frac{(nx)^{2n+2}}{n!^2} \frac{1}{2^{2n+3}(nx)^{2n+3}} \int_0^\infty e^{-z} z^{2n+3-1} dz =$$

$$= \frac{1}{nx} \frac{1}{n!^2 2^{2n+3}} (2n+2)! = \binom{2n}{n} \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{n4^{n+1}} \frac{1}{x}.$$

Corollary 2 The function  $S_n(x)$  from (3.1) satisfies

$$S_1(x) = \frac{3}{4x}, \ x > 0$$

and

$$\frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{4n\sqrt{\pi(n+3)}}\frac{1}{x} < S_n(x) < \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{4n\sqrt{\pi(n-1)}}\frac{1}{x}, \ x > 0, \ n \ge 2.$$

It also satisfies (2.3) and (2.4).

The proof is similar to that of Corollary 1.

# 4 The Rayleigh operator

This operator is related to the probability density function (see [8, p.458])  $K(x,t) := 2xte^{-xt^2}, \ x,y > 0$ , so that

$$Lf(x) = \int_0^\infty 2xte^{-xt^2}dt, \ x > 0.$$

Let  $e_k(t) := t^k$ , k = 0, 1, .... We start by computing the moments  $Le_k(x)$  of the operator L, for k = 0, 1, 2, ....

$$Le_k(x) = \int_0^\infty 2xt^{k+1}e^{-xt^2}dt, \ x > 0.$$

Setting  $xt^2 = y$ , we get

$$Le_k(x) = \int_0^\infty 2x \left(\sqrt{\frac{y}{x}}\right)^{k+1} e^{-y} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}\sqrt{y}} dy =$$

$$= x^{-\frac{k}{2}} \int_0^\infty y^{\frac{k}{2}} e^{-y} dy = x^{-\frac{k}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{k}{2} + 1\right), \ k \ge 0.$$

In particular,  $Le_0(x) = 1$ ,  $Le_1(x) = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{x}}$ ,  $Le_2(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ , x > 0.

**Theorem 3** For the Rayleigh probability density function we have

$$S(x) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi x}{8}}, \qquad V(x) = \frac{4-\pi}{4x}, \ x > 0.$$

**Proof.** By definition,

$$S(x) = \int_0^\infty 4x^2t^2e^{-2xt^2}dt.$$

Let  $2xt^2 = y$ . Then

$$S(x) = \int_0^\infty 4x^2 \frac{y}{2x} e^{-y} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2x}\sqrt{y}} dy = \sqrt{\frac{x}{2}} \int_0^\infty y^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-y} dy =$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{x}{2}} \Gamma(\frac{3}{2}) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi x}{8}}, \ x > 0.$$

Furthermore,

$$V(x) = Le_2(x) - (Le_1(x))^2 = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{\pi}{4x} = \frac{4-\pi}{4x}, \ x > 0.$$

## 5 Other operators

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ . Consider the operators

$$L_n f(x) := (n-1)x^{n-1} \int_0^\infty \frac{f(t)}{(x+t)^n} dt, \ x > 0.$$

For  $0 \le k \le n-2$ , the moments  $Le_k(x)$  are given by

$$L_n e_k(x) = (n-1)x^{n-1} \int_0^\infty \frac{t^k}{(x+t)^n} dt.$$

Setting t = xy, we get

$$L_n e_k(x) = (n-1)x^{n-1} \int_0^\infty \frac{x^k y^k}{x^n (1+y)^n} x dy =$$

$$= (n-1)x^k \int_0^\infty \frac{y^{(k+1)-1}}{(1+y)^{(k+1)+(n-k-1)}} dy =$$

$$= (n-1)x^k B(k+1, n-k-1) = (n-1)x^k \frac{\Gamma(k+1)\Gamma(n-k-1)}{\Gamma(n)},$$

and finally,

$$L_n e_k(x) = \left(\begin{array}{c} n-2\\ k \end{array}\right)^{-1} x^k, \ x > 0.$$

**Theorem 4** With the above notation, we have

$$S(x) = \frac{(n-1)^2}{2n-1} \frac{1}{x}, \qquad V(x) = \frac{n-1}{(n-2)^2(n-3)} x^2, \ x > 0, \ n \ge 4.$$

Proof.

By definition,

$$S(x) = \int_0^\infty (n-1)^2 x^{2n-2} \frac{1}{(x+t)^{2n}} dt =$$
$$= (n-1)^2 x^{2n-2} \frac{1}{(2n-1)x^{2n-1}},$$

so that

$$S(x) = \frac{(n-1)^2}{2n-1} \frac{1}{x}, \ x > 0.$$

Moreover,

$$V(x) = Le_2(x) - (Le_1(x))^2 = \frac{(n-1)x^2}{(n-2)^2(n-3)}, \ n \ge 4.$$

**Remark 1** All the properties of the information potential, mentioned above, can be used to derive properties of the Rényi entropy and Tsallis entropy, described by (1.3) and (1.4). For the sake of brevity we omit the details.

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