

# A stochastic formula for the entropy and applications

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Throughout a **drift** is any process  $(u(t))_{t \geq 0}$  adapted to the underlying filtration.

This filtration may be  $\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma(B(s), s \in [0, t])$  or larger.

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the supremum is over all drifts  $u$ .



# Comments on Borell's formula

The formula is not due to Borell, though he should be credited for the idea of using it to prove functional inequalities such as

- Prékopa-Leindler inequality.
- Brascamp-Lieb inequality.

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## Besides

Let  $f = d\mu/d\gamma_n$ . The infimum is attained for some drift  $v$  which

- solves the SDE:  $v(t) = \nabla \ln P_{1-t} f(B(t) + \int_0^t v(s) ds)$ .
- is a martingale, in particular  $\mathbb{E} v(t) = \text{bar}(\mu)$  for all  $t$ .

$\text{bar}(\mu) := \int x d\mu(x)$ .

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- This follows from Girsanov's formula.

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which is the result.

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$\gamma_E$  : Gaussian measure on  $E$ .

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## Applications

- Connection with Young's convolution inequality.
- Hypercontractivity of the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck semi-group.
- Other geometric applications



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- Taking infimum on  $u$  yields the result.

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## Remark

When  $m = 2$ ,  $E_1 = E_2 = E$ ,  $c_1 + c_2 = 1$  this yields the log concavity of the Gaussian measure.

Related to the Brunn-Minkowski inequality.

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- Using  $\log(\int e^f d\gamma) = \sup_X (\mathbb{E} f(X) - H(X))$  we obtain

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