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Affine integral geometry from a differentiable viewpoint

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Overview

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 - ▶ A modern framework for affine integral geometry
- ▶ Outline
 - ▶ Euclidean geometry of a convex body
 - ▶ Constructing affine integral invariants of a convex body
 - ▶ Homogeneous contour integral
 - ▶ Homogeneous functions associated with a convex body
 - ▶ Constructing valuations
 - ▶ Classification theorems of M. Ludwig
 - ▶ Hug's theorem
 - ▶ Cramér-Rao inequality

Affine integral geometry

- ▶ Object of study
 - ▶ A convex body $K \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ is a convex set with non-empty interior
 - ▶ Often assume origin lies in interior of K
- ▶ Affine geometric invariants of K
- ▶ Sharp geometric inequalities
 - ▶ Generalized isoperimetric inequalities
- ▶ Ties to other fields
 - ▶ Functional analysis
 - ▶ Probability
 - ▶ Information theory
- ▶ Essentially equivalent to the study of “trivial” flat Finsler manifolds

Two known approaches

- ▶ Local affine differential geometry
 - ▶ Local differential geometry of a hypersurface in Euclidean space
 - ▶ Prolongation beyond second derivatives required
 - ▶ Works for only sufficiently smooth convex bodies
- ▶ Global affine integral geometry
 - ▶ What this talk is about

Euclidean geometry of a convex body $K \subset \mathbf{R}^n$

- ▶ Intrinsic geometry of boundary ∂K
 - ▶ Induced Riemannian metric g
 - ▶ Induced surface area measure dA
 - ▶ Gauss curvature κ

Euclidean geometry of a convex body $K \subset \mathbf{R}^n$

- ▶ Local extrinsic geometry
 - ▶ Gauss map $\nu : \partial K \rightarrow S^{n-1}$
 - ▶ Second fundamental form $\text{II} = \partial\nu : \partial K \rightarrow \text{Sym}^2 \nu^\perp(x)$
 - ▶ Symmetric functions of principal curvatures (eigenvalues of II)
- ▶ Global extrinsic geometry
 - ▶ Volume of K
 - ▶ Surface area of K
 - ▶ Center of mass of K
 - ▶ Legendre-Binet ellipsoid (covariance metric of uniform distribution on K)
 - ▶ Integral of curvature function over K

The Euclidean isoperimetric inequality

If B is the standard unit ball in \mathbf{R}^n , then

$$\frac{V_{n-1}(\partial K)}{V(K)^{(n-1)/n}} \geq \frac{V_{n-1}(\partial B)}{V(B)^{(n-1)/n}}$$

Equality holds if and only if K is a ball

Affine geometry of a convex body

- ▶ Desirable features
 - ▶ Invariant or equivariant under linear transformations
 - ▶ (optional) Invariant under translations
 - ▶ Works for arbitrary (not necessarily smooth) convex bodies
- ▶ Basic tools available
 - ▶ First and second derivatives of boundary
 - ▶ First derivative is L^∞ (boundary is Lipschitz)
 - ▶ Second derivative is a measure
 - ▶ Integration, i.e. averaging

Volume invariants

- ▶ Volume itself is not scale invariant and therefore not affine invariant
- ▶ But relative volume is
 - ▶ Given two convex bodies K and L , $V(K)/V(L)$ is invariant under affine transformations
- ▶ Another is the uniform probability measure on K ,

$$d\mu = \frac{dx}{V(K)}$$

- ▶ Used for averaging

Two known ways of constructing more affine invariants

- ▶ Optimize a scale invariant Euclidean invariant
- ▶ Affine average of a lower dimensional geometric invariant

An affine surface area for a convex body K via optimization

- ▶ For each inner product g on \mathbf{R}^n , let V_g be the volume of K and S_g be the surface area of ∂K with respect to g .
- ▶ Minimize $S_g/V_g^{(n-1)/n}$ over all inner products g .
- ▶ Euclidean isoperimetric inequality implies an affine isoperimetric inequality, where equality holds if and only if K is an ellipsoid
 - ▶ Nothing particularly new or interesting

Euclidean surface area equals average shadow area

- ▶ If $u \in S^{n-1}$, let $\pi_u : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow u^\perp$ denote orthogonal projection
- ▶ Area of shadow in direction u

$$V_{n-1}(\pi_u K) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial K} |\nu(x) \cdot u| dA$$

- ▶ Average shadow area

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{S^{n-1}} V_{n-1}(\pi_u K) du &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{S^{n-1}} \int_{\partial K} |\nu(x) \cdot u| dA du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial K} \int_{S^{n-1}} |\nu(x) \cdot u| du dA \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{S^{n-1}} |e_n \cdot u| du \right) \int_{\partial K} dA \\ &= V(B^{n-1}) V_{n-1}(\partial K) \end{aligned}$$

Another affine surface area equals affine average of shadow area

- ▶ Euclidean surface area

$$S = \frac{1}{V_{n-1}(S^{n-1})} \int \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial K} |\nu(x) \cdot u| dA \right) du$$

- ▶ Affine surface area

$$A = \left(\frac{1}{V_{n-1}(S^{n-1})} \int \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial K} |\nu(x) \cdot u| dA \right)^{-n} du \right)^{-1/n}$$

But why is this affine invariant?

Another affine isoperimetric inequality

- ▶ Affine surface area

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- ▶ Another affine isoperimetric inequality

$$A \geq V^{(n-1)/n}$$

Equality holds if and only if K is an ellipsoid

- ▶ Proved using Steiner symmetrization
- ▶ Implies the Euclidean isoperimetric inequality using Holder inequality
- ▶ Is much stronger than Euclidean inequality
- ▶ But why is $A/V^{(n-1)/n}$ affine invariant?

Constructing affine geometric invariants of a convex body

- ▶ Use homogeneous functions instead of tensors
- ▶ Use the **support function** and its derivatives
 - ▶ Its first derivative is essentially the Gauss map
 - ▶ Its second derivative is essentially the second fundamental form
- ▶ Define **valuations** using the **homogeneous contour integral**
 - ▶ With integrand equal to a function of the support function and its derivatives
- ▶ Invariants of a convex body are also invariants of its **polar**
 - ▶ Use **Legendre transform** to map between them
 - ▶ For scalar invariants this is a theorem of Hug
- ▶ Classification theorems of Ludwig, Reitzner, Schuster, Haberl, and others show that this construction gives all possible affine invariant valuations

Preliminaries

- ▶ For convenience, we fix an origin and a choice of Lebesgue measure on affine space
- ▶ Let X denote an n -dimensional vector space and dx the Lebesgue measure
- ▶ Let X^* denote the dual vector space and $d\xi$ the dual Lebesgue measure
- ▶ Both measures are homogeneous of degree n
- ▶ Let $\langle \xi, x \rangle \in \mathbf{R}$ denote the natural evaluation map for each $\xi \in X^*$ and $x \in X$
- ▶ Note that the identity map $x : X \rightarrow X$ is itself a vector field, sometimes written in co-ordinates as

$$x = x^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

Homogeneous functions and differential n -forms

- ▶ A function $h : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is homogeneous of degree d if $h(tx) = t^d h(x)$ for each $x \in X$ and $t > 0$
- ▶ A differential n -form μ on X is homogeneous of degree d if $D_t^* \mu = t^d \mu$ for each $t > 0$, where $D_t(x) = tx$ for each $x \in X$
- ▶ A differential n -form $\mu = m(x) dx$ is homogeneous of degree d if and only if m is homogeneous of degree $d - n$
- ▶ A differential n -form $\mu = m(x) dx$ is homogeneous of degree 0 if and only if

$$0 = \left. \frac{d}{dt} \right|_{t=0} D_t^* \mu = \mathcal{L}_x \mu = d(x \lrcorner \mu)$$

The homogeneous contour integral

- ▶ If $\mu = m(x) dx$ is a differential n -form homogeneous of degree 0 on X , define the *homogeneous contour integral* of μ to be

$$\oint_X \mu = \int_{\partial\Omega} x \lrcorner \mu = \int_{\partial\Omega} m(x) x \lrcorner dx,$$

where Ω is a bounded domain containing the origin in its interior.

- ▶ The value of this integral does not depend on the domain Ω .
 - ▶ If $\Omega' \subset\subset \Omega$,

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} x \lrcorner \mu - \int_{\partial\Omega'} x \lrcorner \mu = \int_{\Omega \setminus \Omega'} d(x \lrcorner \mu) = 0.$$

- ▶ This integral was defined using only the natural linear operations on X and the Lebesgue measure dx . No inner product or norm on X was used at all.

Explicit formulas for the homogeneous contour integral

If m is homogeneous of degree $-n$, then

- ▶ if $X = \mathbf{R}^n$, Ω is the standard unit ball, S^{n-1} its boundary, and du the standard surface area measure on S^{n-1} , then

$$\oint_X m(x) dx = \int_{S^{n-1}} m(u) du,$$

- ▶ if h is homogeneous of degree 1 and $\chi : (0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is continuous and compactly supported, then

$$\oint_X m(x) dx = \left(\int_X \chi(h(x)) m(x) dx \right) / \left(\int_0^\infty \chi(t) t^{-1} dt \right).$$

The value of the right side does not depend on the functions h and χ .

The homogeneous contour integral for a homogeneous measure

- ▶ A measure ω on $X \setminus \{0\}$ is *homogeneous of degree 0*, if for each measurable set $E \subset X \setminus \{0\}$ and $t > 0$, $\omega(tE) = \omega(E)$.
- ▶ The homogeneous contour integral of ω is defined to be

$$\oint_X \omega = \frac{\omega(\lambda\Omega \setminus \Omega)}{\log \lambda},$$

where $\Omega \subset X$ is a star domain and $\lambda > 1$.

- ▶ The right side does not depend on either λ or Ω .

Homogeneous vector calculus

The homogeneous contour integral satisfies the standard formulas of integral calculus.

- ▶ **Integration by parts.** If f is homogeneous of degree d and g is homogeneous of degree $-n - d + 1$, then

$$\oint_X f(x) \partial g(x) dx = - \oint_X g(x) \partial f(x) dx.$$

- ▶ **Change of variables.** If X and Y are n -dimensional vector spaces, $\Phi : X \rightarrow Y$ a differentiable map homogeneous of degree 1, dx and dy Lebesgue measures on X and Y respectively, and $\psi : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ a homogeneous function of degree $-n$, then

$$\oint_Y \psi(y) dy = \oint_X \psi(\Phi(x)) \det \partial \Phi(x) dm_X(x).$$

Homogeneous functions associated with a convex body K

- ▶ The *polar support function* $h_K^* : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$

$$h_K^*(x) = \inf \left\{ \lambda > 0 : \frac{x}{\lambda} \in K \right\}$$

- ▶ The *support function* $h_K : X^* \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$

$$h_K(\xi) = \sup \{ \langle \xi, x \rangle : x \in K \}$$

- ▶ Both functions above are convex and homogeneous of degree 1
- ▶ Let $\phi_K = \frac{1}{2}h_K^2$ and $\phi_K^* = \frac{1}{2}(h_K^*)^2$
- ▶ Both ϕ_K and ϕ_K^* are convex and homogeneous of degree 2
- ▶ *We shall always assume that $\phi_K : X^* \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ and $\phi_K^* : X \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ are twice differentiable and have positive definite second derivatives*

The affine Gauss map

- ▶ The map

$$\partial\phi_K^* = h_K^* \partial h_K^* : X \rightarrow X^*$$

is a diffeomorphism homogeneous of degree 1

- ▶ It is the affine analogue of the Gauss map
 - ▶ If $X = X^* = \mathbf{R}^n$, then the Gauss map of ∂K is given by

$$\nu(x) = \frac{\partial\phi_K^*(x)}{|\partial\phi_K^*(x)|}$$

for each $x \in \partial K$

The affine inverse Gauss map

- ▶ The map

$$\partial\phi_K = h_K \partial h_K : X^* \rightarrow X$$

is a diffeomorphism homogeneous of degree 1

- ▶ It is the affine analogue of the inverse Gauss map
 - ▶ If $X = X^* = \mathbf{R}^n$, then the inverse Gauss map of ∂K is given by

$$\nu^{-1}(u) = \partial h_K(u) = \frac{\partial\phi_K(u)}{h_K(u)}$$

for each $u \in S^{n-1}$

- ▶ $\partial\phi_K$ and $\partial\phi_K^*$ are inverse maps
 - ▶ $\partial\phi_K(\partial\phi_K^*(x)) = x$ for each $x \in X$
 - ▶ $\partial\phi_K^*(\partial\phi_K(\xi)) = \xi$ for each $\xi \in X^*$

The affine second fundamental form

- ▶ The map

$$\partial^2 \phi_K^* = (h_K^* \partial^2 h_K^* + \partial h_K^* \otimes \partial h_K^*) : X \rightarrow \text{Sym}^2 X^*$$

is homogeneous of degree 0

- ▶ We assume that $\partial^2 \phi_K^*(x)$ is positive definite for each $x \in X \setminus \{0\}$
- ▶ It is the affine analogue of the second fundamental form
 - ▶ If $X = X^* = \mathbf{R}^n$, $x \in \partial K$, and $v \in T_x \partial K$, then

$$v \cdot \text{II}(x)v = \frac{v \cdot \partial^2 \phi_K^*(x)v}{|\partial \phi_K^*(x)|}$$

for each $x \in \partial K$

The affine inverse second fundamental form

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- ▶ We assume that $\partial^2 \phi_K(\xi)$ is positive definite for each $\xi \in X^* \setminus \{0\}$
- ▶ It is the affine analogue of the inverse second fundamental form
 - ▶ If $X = X^* = \mathbf{R}^n$, $x \in \partial K$, and $v \in T_x \partial K$, then

$$v \cdot \Pi^{-1}(x)v = (v \cdot \partial^2 \phi_K(\partial \phi_K^*(x))v) |\partial \phi_K^*(x)|$$

for each $x \in \partial K$

The curvature function

- ▶ The differential n -form dx on X induces a determinant function $\det : \text{Sym}^2 X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$
- ▶ The *curvature function of a convex body* K is defined to be the function $f_K : X^* \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ satisfying

$$\det \partial^2 \phi_K(\xi) = h_K(\xi)^{n+1} f_K(\xi)$$

- ▶ The curvature function f_K is homogeneous of degree $-n - 1$.
- ▶ It is the affine analogue of the reciprocal Gauss curvature
 - ▶ If $X = X^* = \mathbf{R}^n$, then

$$\frac{1}{\kappa(x)} = f_K(\nu(x))$$

The polar curvature function

- ▶ The differential n -form $d\xi$ on X^* induces a determinant function $\det : \text{Sym}^2 X^* \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$
- ▶ The *polar curvature function of a convex body* K is defined to be the function $f_K^* : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ satisfying

$$\det \partial^2 \phi_K^*(x) = h_K^*(x)^{n+1} f_K^*(x)$$

- ▶ The polar curvature function f_K^* is homogeneous of degree $-n - 1$.
- ▶ It is the affine analogue of the Gauss curvature
 - ▶ If $X = X^* = \mathbf{R}^n$, then

$$\kappa(x) = (x \cdot \nu(x))^{n+1} f_K^*(x),$$

for each $x \in \partial K$

Valuations

- ▶ Let $\mathcal{C}(X)$ denote the space of convex bodies in X
- ▶ A valuation is essentially a finitely additive measure on $\mathcal{C}(X)$
- ▶ If Y is an additive semigroup and $S \subset \mathcal{C}(X)$, then a Y -valued valuation on S is a map $\Phi : S \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\Phi(K \cup L) + \Phi(K \cap L) = \Phi(K) + \Phi(L),$$

for each $K, L \in S$ such that $K \cap L, K \cup L \in S$.

- ▶ Any integral invariant of a convex body is a valuation

Ingredients for building affine invariant valuations

- ▶ Homogeneous contour integral on X or X^*
- ▶ Natural homogeneous functions
 - ▶ Natural evaluation map $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : X^* \times X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$
 - ▶ Identity vector fields $x : X \rightarrow X$ and $\xi : X^* \rightarrow X^*$
- ▶ Homogeneous measures dx on X and $d\xi$ on X^*
- ▶ Homogeneous functions associated with a convex body $K \subset X$
 - ▶ Support function h_K and polar support function h_K^*
 - ▶ Curvature function f_K and polar curvature function f_K^*
 - ▶ First and second partial derivatives of support and polar support functions

Proposition

Let $\mathcal{C}^2(X)$ denote the space of all convex bodies in X with C^2 support functions. Given a vector space Y and a measurable function $\psi : X^* \times \mathbf{R} \times X \times \overline{S_+^2 X} \rightarrow Y$ such that $\psi(\cdot, h_K(\cdot), \partial h_K(\cdot), \partial^2 h_K(\cdot))$ is homogeneous of degree $-n$, the map $\Psi : \mathcal{C}^2(X) \rightarrow Y$ given by

$$\Psi(K) = \oint_{X^*} \psi(\xi, h_K(\xi), \partial h_K(\xi), \partial^2 h_K(\xi)) d\xi,$$

for each $K \in \mathcal{C}^2(X)$, is a valuation.

The polar projection body of a convex body K

- ▶ Given a convex body K and $x \in X$, the area of the shadow in direction x is proportional to

$$h_{\Pi^*K}^*(x) = \frac{1}{V(K)} \oint |\langle \xi, x \rangle| f_K(\xi) d\xi.$$

- ▶ This defines a new convex body $\Pi^*K \subset X$ naturally associated with K , known as the **polar projection body**.
- ▶ The volume of Π^*K is given by

$$V(\Pi^*K) = \frac{1}{n} \oint [h_{\Pi^*K}^*(x)]^{-n} dx$$

- ▶ $V(\Pi^*K)$ can be viewed as an affine average of shadow area and therefore as an affine surface area
- ▶ It is equivariant under linear transformations. Given any invertible linear transformation $A : X \rightarrow X$ and $x_0 \in X$,

$$\Pi^*(AK) = A\Pi^*K$$

The projection body of a function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$

Given a smooth decaying function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, define the polar projection body $\Pi^* f$ by

$$h_{\Pi^* f}^*(v) = \int |\langle v, \partial f(x) \rangle| dx$$

Sharp affine isoperimetric and Sobolev inequalities

Theorem

(Petty projection inequality)

$$V(\Pi^* K) \geq V(K),$$

with equality holding if and only if K is an ellipsoid

Theorem

(Affine Sobolev inequality, G. Zhang, JDG 1999) Given $n > 1$ and $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, where $\dim X = n$,

$$V(\Pi^* f)^{-1/n} \leq \|f\|_{n/(n-1)}.$$

Equality if and only if f is a generalized Gaussian.

Duality

Given the function $\psi : X^* \times \mathbf{R} \times X \times \overline{S_+^2 X} \rightarrow Y$ as before, there exists a dual function $\psi^* : X \times \mathbf{R} \times X^* \times \overline{S_+^2 X^*} \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{X^*} \psi(\xi, h_K(\xi), \partial h_K(\xi), \partial^2 h_K(\xi)) d\xi \\ = \oint_X \psi^*(x, h_{K^*}(x), \partial h_{K^*}(x), \partial^2 h_{K^*}(x)) dx \end{aligned}$$

for each $K \in \mathcal{C}^2(X)$.

Homogeneous scalar valuations

- ▶ Only homogeneous scalar functions on X^* associated with a convex body K are its support function h_K and curvature function f_K .
- ▶ $\det \partial^2 \phi_K = h_K^{n+1} f_K$ is homogeneous of degree 0.
- ▶ For each $q \in (-\infty, \infty)$,

$$A_q(K) = \oint_{X^*} (h_K^{n+1} f_K)^{\frac{q+n}{2n}} (h_K(\xi))^{-n} d\xi$$

defines a homogeneous valuation

- ▶ If $q \in [-n, n]$, then A_q can be extended to a $GL(X)$ -valuation of degree q on $\mathcal{C}(X)$.
- ▶ $A_n(K) = cV(K)$ and $A_{-n}(K) = c^*V(K^*)$
- ▶ $A_q(K)$ is the L_p affine surface area, where

$$p = \frac{n(n-q)}{n+q}.$$

Theorem of Ludwig and Reitzner

Any upper semicontinuous real-valued valuation on $\mathcal{C}(X)$ that is $GL(X)$ -homogeneous of degree $q \in [-n, n]$ is, up to a constant factor, equal to A_q .

The Legendre Transform

- ▶ Given $K \in \mathcal{C}^2(X)$ such that $K^* \in \mathcal{C}^2(X^*)$, the differential of ϕ_K , $\partial\phi_K : X^* \rightarrow X$ is a homogeneous diffeomorphism
- ▶ If $x = \partial\phi_K(\xi)$, then

$$h_{K^*}(x) = h_K(\xi)$$

$$\xi = \partial\phi_{K^*}(x)$$

$$\partial^2\phi_K(\xi)\partial^2\phi_{K^*}(x) = I$$

Hug's Theorem

Since

$$dx = \det \partial^2 \phi_K(\xi) d\xi,$$

it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} A_q(K^*) &= \oint_{X^*} (\det \partial^2 \phi_{K^*}(x))^{\frac{q+n}{2n}} (h_{K^*}(x))^{-n} dx \\ &= \oint_{X^*} (\det \partial^2 \phi_K(\xi))^{-\frac{q+n}{2n}} (h_K(\xi))^{-n} \det \partial^2 \phi_K(\xi) d\xi \\ &= \oint_{X^*} (\det \partial^2 \phi_K(\xi))^{\frac{-q+n}{2n}} (h_K(\xi))^{-n} d\xi \\ &= A_{-q}(K) \end{aligned}$$

Ellipsoid-valued valuations

- ▶ Naturally associated to K are two ellipsoids E_2K and $E_{-2}K$
- ▶ The support function of the Legendre ellipsoid is given by

$$h_{E_2K}^2(\xi) = \frac{1}{V(K)} \oint \left(\frac{\langle \xi, x \rangle}{h_K^*(x)} \right)^2 h_K^*(x)^{-n} dx$$

- ▶ The polar support function of the ellipsoid defined by Lutwak, Yang, and Zhang is given by

$$(h_{E_{-2}K}^*)^2(v) = \frac{1}{V(K)} \oint \left(\frac{\langle \xi, v \rangle}{h_K(\xi)} \right)^2 h_K(\xi) f_K(\xi) d\xi$$

- ▶ Ludwig has established that under reasonable assumptions these are the only ellipsoid-valued valuations

The Cramer-Rao inequality for convex bodies

Theorem

(Lutwak-Yang-Zhang) If K is a convex body, then

$$E_{-2}K \subset E_2K$$

with equality holding if and only if K is an ellipsoid centered at the origin.

Elementary inclusion lemma

Lemma

If $K, L \subset X$ satisfy

$$\langle \xi, x \rangle \leq h_K(\xi)h_L^*(x)$$

for each $x \in X$ and $\xi \in X^*$, then $L \subset K$.

Proof of the Cramer-Rao inequality for convex bodies

Observe that

$$\langle \xi, \nu \rangle = [\langle \nu, \partial \rangle, \langle \xi, x \rangle]$$

For each $\xi \in X^*$ and $\nu \in X$,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \xi, \nu \rangle &= \frac{1}{nV(K)} \oint_X [\langle \nu, \partial \rangle, \langle \xi, x \rangle] (h_K^*)^{-n}(x) dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{V(K)} \oint_X \langle \xi, x \rangle \langle \nu, \partial h_K^*(x) \rangle (h_K^*)^{-n-1}(x) dx \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1}{V(K)} \oint_X \langle \xi, x \rangle^2 (h_K^*)^{-n-2}(x) dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &\quad \cdot \left(\frac{1}{V(K)} \oint_X \langle \nu, \partial h_K^*(x) \rangle^2 (h_K^*)^{-n}(x) dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &= h_{E_2K}(\xi) h_{E_{-2}K}^*(\nu) \end{aligned}$$

Other valuations

- ▶ There are similar constructions using the homogeneous contour integral of $GL(X)$ -homogeneous vector-, tensor-, and body-valued valuations
 - ▶ Center of mass
 - ▶ Legendre and LYZ ellipsoids
 - ▶ L_p -centroid bodies
 - ▶ L_p -projection bodies
- ▶ Theorems of Ludwig show that these constructions produce all possible continuous $GL(X)$ -homogeneous valuations
- ▶ These also satisfy sharp affine geometric inequalities, where equality holds if and only if it is an ellipsoid

Sharp affine Sobolev inequalities

- ▶ There are corresponding invariants associated to a smooth function (or probability density) on X .
- ▶ These satisfy sharp affine Sobolev inequalities (which imply the classical sharp Sobolev inequalities of Aubin and Talenti:
- ▶ Equivalent to information theoretic inequalities for the entropy, p -th moment, and generalized Fisher information of a probability distribution
- ▶ Equality holds if and only if distribution is a generalized Gaussian
- ▶ Even the 1-dimensional case is interesting:
E. Lutwak, D. Yang, G. Zhang. *Cramer-Rao and moment-entropy inequalities for Renyi entropy and generalized Fisher information*, **IEEE Transactions on Information Theory** **51** (2005) 473-478.