

Introduction to Optimal Transport (and Particle Systems)

Motivation

f-divergence:



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$\mu \in P(X)$



$\nu \in P(Y)$

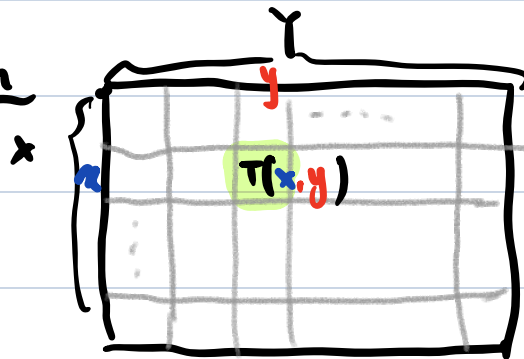
measurable map: $T: X \rightarrow Y$

$$\textcircled{1} \nu(A) = \mu(T^{-1}(A))$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{minimize } \int_X c(x, T(x)) d\mu(x)$$

$c(x, y)$ is a cost function.

Kantorovich's Problem



$T(x, y)$: how many products I transport from $x \rightarrow y$

$$\min_{T \geq 0} \int_{x, y} T(x, y) c(x, y) dx dy \longrightarrow \min_{T \geq 0} \int T(x, y) c(x, y) dx dy$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_y T(x, y) = \mu(x)$$

$$\sum_x T(x, y) = \nu(y)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \int_y T(x, y) dy = \mu(x) \quad \forall x$$

$$\int_x T(x, y) dx = \nu(y) \quad \forall y$$

$$\sum_x \psi(x) [\sum_y T(x, y) - \mu(x)]$$

coupling

Optimal Transport as IPM (Kantorovich Duality)

$$\min_{T \geq 0} \sup_{\varphi, \psi} \left[\int T(x, y) c(x, y) dx dy + \int_{x \times Y} \varphi(x) T(x, y) dx dy - \int_x \varphi(x) \mu(x) dx + \int_{x \times Y} \psi(y) T(x, y) dx dy - \int_Y \psi(y) \nu(y) dy \right]$$

$$= \sup_{\varphi, \psi} \min_{T \geq 0} \int_{x \times Y} T(x, y) [c(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \psi(y) - \int_x \varphi(x) \mu(x) dx - \int_Y \psi(y) \nu(y) dy] dx dy.$$

$$= \sup_{\varphi(x) + \psi(y) + c(x, y) \geq 0} \int_x -\varphi(x) \mu(x) dx - \int_Y \psi(y) \nu(y) dy.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \min_{\underline{\varphi}(x) - \underline{\psi}(y) \geq c(x, y)} \int_x \varphi(x) \mu(x) dx - \int_Y \psi(y) \nu(y) dy$$

Shadow price

(proof provided at Appendix)

if $c(x, y) = \|x - y\|$.

Optimal Transport cost

IPM.

$$= \sup_{\varphi(x) - \varphi(y) \leq \|x - y\|} \int_x \varphi \mu(x) dx - \int_Y \varphi \mu(y) dy$$

the shadow price is Lipschitz.

[hw for these week]

Optimal Transport Distance between empirical and population
can be bounded by the covering number of Lipschitz function

$$\Rightarrow W(\hat{P}_n, P_n) \propto n^{-1/d} \quad \text{"Curse of dimensionality"}$$

Shadow price has too much free dim.

§ Gradient flow is Wasserstein Space. advance things.

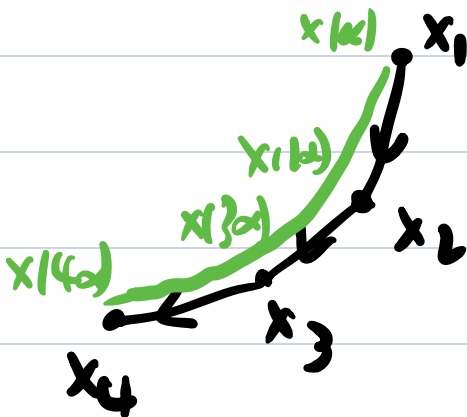
What is Gradient flow:

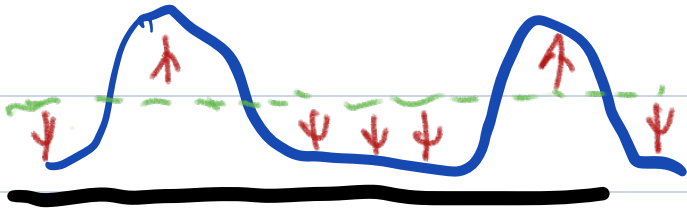
Gradient descent. $x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha \nabla f(x_t)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x_{t+1} - x_t}{\alpha} = -\nabla f(x_t)$$

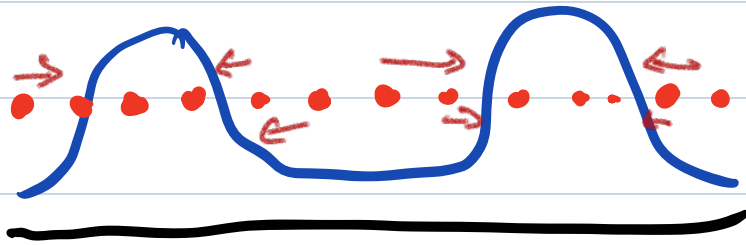
$$x_t \approx x(\alpha t) \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{x(\alpha(t+1)) - x(\alpha t)}{\alpha} \approx \left. \frac{dx}{dt} \right|_{\alpha t}$$

Gradient flow: $\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = -\nabla f(x(t))$



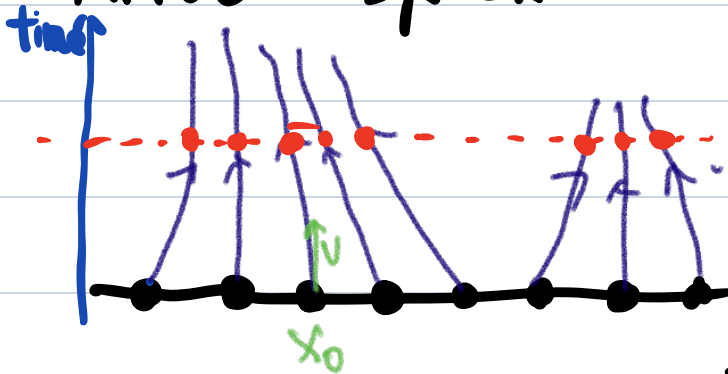


① $\uparrow \downarrow$ Consider in f -direction / as a vector



② Transporting the particles.

Particle System.



assume every particle moves

$$\begin{cases} x(0) = x_0 \\ \frac{dx}{dt} = \vec{v}_t(x) \end{cases}$$

x is the position, v is the speed

Question! How does the density move?

$$\partial_t P_t = - \nabla \cdot (\vec{v}_t P_t)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \vec{v}_x \\ \vec{v}_y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{d\vec{v}_x}{dx} + \frac{d\vec{v}_y}{dy}$$

* Introduce a test function. ψ

then we keep track of $\int_x \psi(x) P_t(x) dx = \mathbb{E}_{P_t} \psi$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_x P_t(x) \psi(x) dx \quad \underline{\text{write down in particle side!!}}$$

$$\int_x \frac{d}{dt} P_t(x) \psi(x) dx$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int \psi(x(t)) P_0(x) dx$$

we first sample $x(0) \sim P_0(x)$

run $\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \vec{v}_t(x(t))$ till times

$$= \int \underbrace{\nabla \psi(x(t))}_{\text{chain rule: } \frac{d}{dt} \psi(x(t)) = \nabla \psi(x(t)) \frac{dx}{dt}} \underbrace{v_t(x_t)}_{\text{fill times}} P_0(x_0) dx$$

$$\text{chain rule: } \frac{d}{dt} \psi(x(t)) = \nabla \psi(x(t)) \frac{dx}{dt} = \nabla \psi \cdot v_t$$

$$= - \int \psi \nabla \cdot (v_t P_t)$$

$$\text{Thus } \frac{d}{dt} P_t = -\nabla \cdot (v_t P_t)$$

Benamou - Brenier. If $c(x, y) = \|x - y\|^2$, then optimal transport

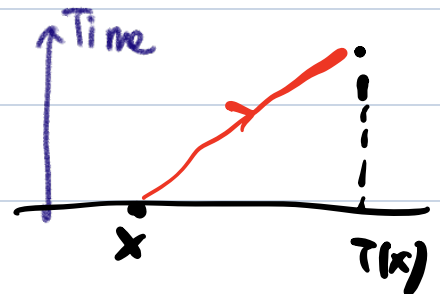
can be characterize as

$$\min \int_0^1 \int_x |v_t(x)|^2 P_t(x) dx dt$$

$$\text{s.t. } \partial_t P_t + \nabla \cdot (v_t P_t) = 0$$

$$P(\cdot, 0) = \mu, \quad P(\cdot, 1) = \nu$$

$$X(t, x) = x + t(T(x) - x)$$



Gradient Descent in Wasserstein Spce.

$F(P)$ is a function of distribution P .

$\frac{dF(P)}{dP}$ is a function f , actually satisfies.

$$F(P + \varepsilon P_0) = F(P) + \varepsilon \int f \cdot P + o(\varepsilon)$$

$\frac{dP}{dt} = - \frac{dF(P)}{de}$ (If I run the gradient in vector space -
not exactly Fisher-Rao Flow)

Wasserstein Gradient Descent:

Particles, $x(t)$.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = - \nabla \left(\frac{dF(P)}{de} \right).$$

If $F(P) = \int \psi(x) P(x)$ is a linear function of P

$$\frac{dF(P)}{dP} = \psi$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = - \nabla \psi$$

$$\min_{\varphi(x) - \varphi(y) \geq c(x,y)} \int \varphi(x) \mu(x) dx - \int \varphi(y) \nu(y) dy$$

Case 1. $c(x,y) = \|x - y\|$

[Appendix] Duality of Optimal Transport when $c(x,y) = \|x - y\|$

If g is 1-Lipschitz: then

$$\inf_x \{ \|x - y\| - g(x) \} = -g(y)$$

must be 1-lipschitz.

if φ is the shadow price for x , then the shadow price

for y is $\varphi(y) = \inf_x \{ \|x - y\| - \varphi(x) \}$

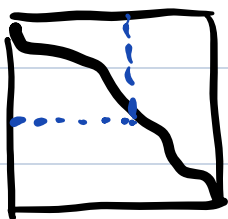
Duality of W_1 : $\sup_{f \text{ 1-lip} \leq 1} \int f(x) \mu(x) dx - \int f(x) \nu(y) dy$

Case 2. $c(x,y) = \|x - y\|^2$

$$\Rightarrow \inf_x \{ \|x - y\|^2 - g(x) \} = g^*(y)$$

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Duality of W_2 : $\sup_f \int f(x) \mu(x) dx - \int f^*(x) \nu(y) dy$.



Thm: $T: X \rightarrow Y$, $T = \nabla f$.

$$\nabla f^* = (\nabla f)^{-1}$$

$$T^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$$

Particle $x(t)$ moves along

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = -\nabla \left(\frac{dF(\rho)}{d\rho} \right)$$

is the fastest direction to transport the particles to minimize the objective function F .

If $\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = v(x(t))$, then the density ρ will change according to

$$\partial_t \rho = -\nabla \cdot (\rho v)$$

Then

$$\partial_t F(\rho) = \int \frac{dF(\rho)}{d\rho} \partial_t \rho = \int \frac{dF(\rho)}{d\rho} (-\nabla \cdot (\rho v))$$

Integral by parts

$$\int \left[\nabla \left(\frac{dF(\rho)}{d\rho} \right) \right] \rho v$$

$$= \int \left\langle \nabla \left(\frac{dF(\rho)}{d\rho} \right), v \right\rangle \rho$$

$v = -\nabla \left(\frac{dF(\rho)}{d\rho} \right)$ is the best direction to move the particles!!!