

# Sliced optimal partial transport

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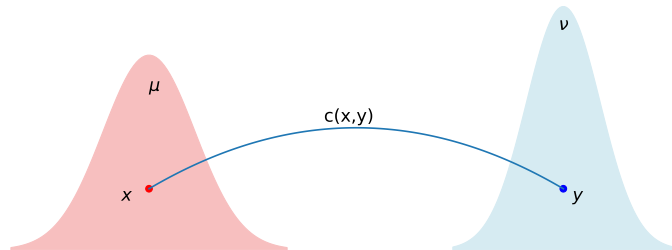
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# Introduction: optimal transport problem (OT)

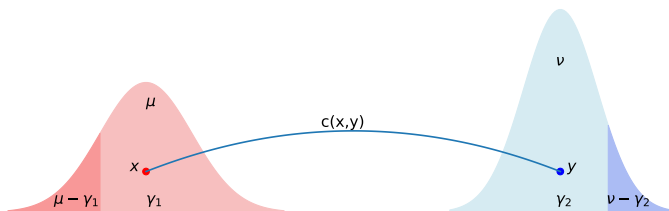


$$\text{OT}(\mu, \nu) := \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma(\mu, \nu)} \int_{\Omega^2} c(x, y) d\gamma(x, y)$$

where  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\mu, \nu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$ ,  $\Gamma(\mu, \nu) := \{\gamma \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega^2) : \gamma_1 = \mu, \gamma_2 = \nu\}$

- Statistics: hypothesis test, statistical inference
- Machine learning: GAN, VAE, transfer learning
- **Limitation:** Requires **equal total amount of mass** between the two measures.

# Introduction: optimal partial transport (OPT)



$$\text{OPT}_\lambda(\mu, \nu) := \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma_\leq(\mu, \nu)} \int_{\Omega^2} c(x, y) d\gamma(x, y) + \lambda(|\mu - \gamma_1|_{TV} + |\nu - \gamma_2|_{TV}).$$

where  $\mu, \nu \in \mathcal{M}_+(\Omega)$ ,  $\Gamma_\leq(\mu, \nu) := \{\gamma \in \mathcal{M}_+(\Omega^2) : \gamma_1 \leq \mu, \gamma_2 \leq \nu\}$ ,  
and  $\lambda \geq 0$ .

- **Benefits:** Partial matching and comparison of measures with unequal mass.

# Introduction: Empirical OPT

If  $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{x_i}$ ,  $\nu = \sum_{j=1}^m \delta_{y_j}$ , OPT problem becomes

$$OPT_{\lambda}(\mu, \nu) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma_{\leq}(\mu, \nu)} \sum_{i,j} c(x_i, y_j) \gamma_{ij} + \lambda(m + n - 2|\gamma|)$$

where  $\Gamma_{\leq}(\mathbf{1}_n, \mathbf{1}_m) := \{\gamma \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n \times m} : \gamma \mathbf{1}_m \leq \mathbf{1}_n, \gamma^T \mathbf{1}_n \leq \mathbf{1}_m\}$ ,  $|\gamma| = \sum_{ij} \gamma_{ij}$ .

**Challenge:**

- High dimension linear programming problem

Existing methods:

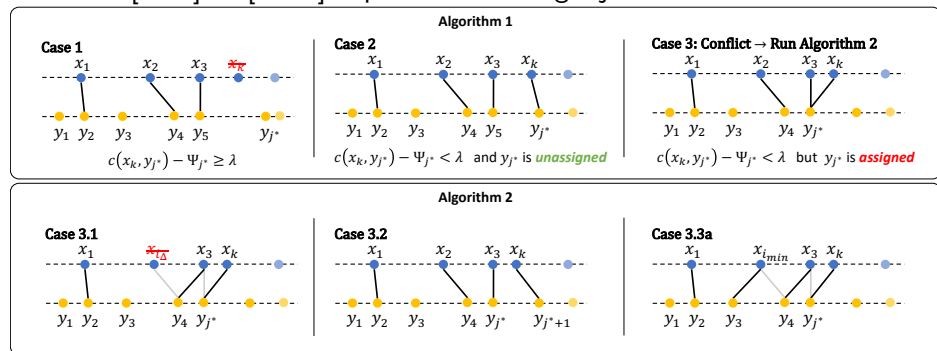
- Network simplex (Bonneel et al. 2011):  $\mathcal{O}((n+m)nm)$
- Sinkhorn algorithm (Chizat et al. 2018):  $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\epsilon^3} nm)$ , where  $\epsilon$  is weight of entropic regularization
- Dynamic programming (Sato et al. 2020):  $\mathcal{O}(\ln^2(n+m)(n+m))$ . Requires tree metric assumption.

# Our work: Solve the 1D OPT

In  $\mathbb{R}$ , consider the empirical OPT problem can be simplified to the following linear alignment problem [Bai et al. 2022, Proposition 3.1]

$$\text{OPT}_\lambda(\mu, \nu) = \min_L \sum_{i \in \text{Dom}(L)} c(x_i, y_{L[i]}) + \lambda(n + m - 2|\text{dom}(L)|)$$

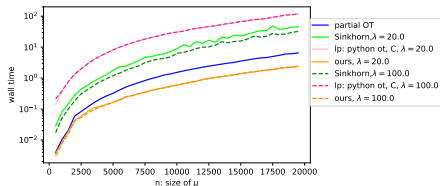
where  $L : [1 : n] \rightarrow [1 : m]$  is partial increasing bijection.



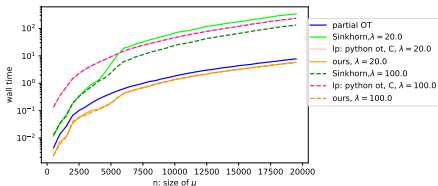
# Accuracy and time complexity of the main algorithm

By [Bai et al. 2022, Theorem 4.4]:

- (Accuracy) Algorithm 1 solves the empirical OPT problem.
- (Time complexity) In the worst case, the time complexity of algorithm 1 is  $\mathcal{O}(n \max(n, m))$ .



(a) uniform distributions



(b) Gaussian mixture distributions

# Sliced optimal partial transport (SOPT)

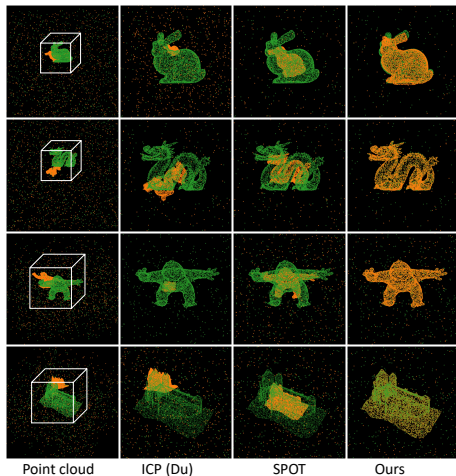
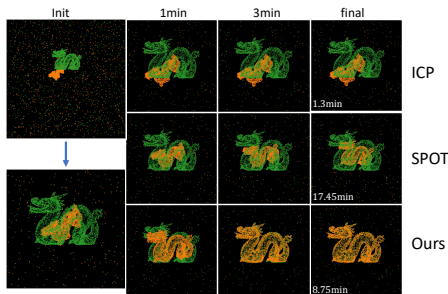
$$\begin{aligned} \text{SOPT}_\lambda(\mu, \nu) &:= \int_{\mathbb{S}^{d-1}} \text{OPT}_{\lambda(\theta)}(\langle \theta, \cdot \rangle_{\#} \mu, \langle \theta, \cdot \rangle_{\#} \nu) d\sigma(\theta) \\ &\approx \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \text{OPT}_{\lambda_t}(\langle \theta, \cdot \rangle_{\#} \mu, \langle \theta, \cdot \rangle_{\#} \nu) d\sigma(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbb{S}^{d-1} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : \|x\|^2 = 1\}$ ,  $\sigma = \text{Unif}(\mathbb{S}^{d-1})$ ,  $\text{supp}(\sigma) = \mathbb{S}^{d-1}$ ,  $\lambda : \mathbb{S}^{d-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{++}$  is  $L_1$  function, and  $f_{\#} \mu$  is the push-forward measure of  $\mu$  for any (measurable)  $f$ .

- *SOPT* is a metric in  $\mathcal{M}_+(\Omega)$  if  $c$  is a metric.
- *SOPT* can be regarded as a proxy of  $\text{OPT}_\lambda(\mu, \nu)$  distance.

# Experiment: Noisy Point Cloud Registration

In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , given two measure  $(\mu, \nu)$  with  $\nu = T_{\#}\mu$  where mapping  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  has form:  $T(x) = sRx + \beta$ ,  $R$  is rotation matrix, scaling  $s > 0$ , translation  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . Given samples with noise corruption, how to estimate  $T$ ?





# Experiment: Color adaptation







Our contributions:

- We proposed a new quadratic time algorithm for 1D OPT problem.
- We propose the so called sliced-optimal partial transport distance (SOPT).
- We demonstrate the applications of SOPT in point cloud registration and color adaptation.

Future's work:

- Potential applications of SOPT in GAN, VAE

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