

# Feasible approximation of matching equilibria in large-scale matching for teams problems

## *Supplementary material*

### 1 Experiment 1

**Assumption 1.1.** *We assume that the following statements hold.*

- For  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_i = \bigcup_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} C \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ , where  $\mathfrak{C}_i$  is a finite collection of triangles such that whenever  $C_1 \cap C_2 \neq \emptyset$  for distinct  $C_1, C_2 \in \mathfrak{C}_i$  then  $C_1 \cap C_2$  is a face (i.e., a vertex or an edge) of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . Moreover,  $d_{\mathcal{X}_i}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}'_i) := \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}'_i\|_2$ .
- $\mathcal{Z} = \bigcup_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} C \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is a polytope, where  $\mathfrak{C}_0$  is a finite collection of triangles such that whenever  $C_1 \cap C_2 \neq \emptyset$  for distinct  $C_1, C_2 \in \mathfrak{C}_0$  then  $C_1 \cap C_2$  is a face (i.e., a vertex or an edge) of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . Moreover,  $d_{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') := \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}'\|_2$ .
- For  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $\mu_i \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_i)$  is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathcal{X}_i$  and  $\text{supp}(\mu_i) = \mathcal{X}_i$ .
- For  $i = 1, \dots, N - 1$ ,  $c_i : \mathcal{X}_i \times \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by:

$$c_i(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}) := \lambda_i \min \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq K, 1 \leq k \leq K} \left\{ \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{u}_j\|_1 + \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}_k\|_1 + d_{j,k} \right\}, \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{z}\|_1 \right\},$$

where  $\lambda_i > 0$ ,  $K \geq 2$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_K \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , and  $d_{j,k} > 0$  for  $j, k = 1, \dots, K$  with  $d_{j,j} = 0$  for  $j = 1, \dots, K$ .

- $c_N : \mathcal{X}_N \times \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by  $c_N(\mathbf{x}_N, \mathbf{z}) := \lambda_N \|\mathbf{x}_N - \mathbf{z}\|_1$ , where  $\lambda_N > 0$ .
- $\mathcal{G}_1, \dots, \mathcal{G}_N, \mathcal{H}$  are defined according to Setting 2.19.

#### 1.1 Implementation of the function $\bar{c}(x_1, \dots, x_N)$

Under Assumption 1.1, the minimization problem  $\bar{c}(x_1, \dots, x_N) := \min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N c_i(x_i, \mathbf{z}) \right\}$  can be formulated into a mixed-integer linear programming problem. Let  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, z_2)^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{i,1}, x_{i,2})^\top$  for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ , and let  $\mathbf{u}_j = (u_{j,1}, u_{j,2})^\top$  for  $j = 1, \dots, K$ . The mixed-integer linear programming

formulation of  $\bar{c}(x_1, \dots, x_N)$  is detailed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underset{\substack{\mathbf{z}, (v_i), (r_{k,l}), (q_{i,l}), \\ (s_{i,k}), (\iota_{i,k})}}{\text{minimize}} & \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i v_i \\
& \text{subject to} & r_{k,l} \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \forall 1 \leq k \leq K, \\
& & r_{k,l} \geq z_l - u_{k,l}, \quad r_{k,l} \geq u_{k,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \forall 1 \leq k \leq K, \\
& & \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N-1 : \\
& & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} v_i \in \mathbb{R}, & \\ q_{i,l} \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\ s_{i,k} \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \iota_{i,k} \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 0 \leq k \leq K, \\ q_{i,l} \geq z_l - x_{i,l}, \quad q_{i,l} \geq x_{i,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\ v_i = r_{k,1} + r_{k,2} + \min_{j \neq k} \{ \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{u}_j\|_1 + d_{j,k} \} - s_{i,k} & \forall 1 \leq k \leq K, \\ v_i = q_{i,1} + q_{i,2} - s_{i,0}, & \\ 0 \leq s_{i,k} \leq M(1 - \iota_{i,k}) & \forall 0 \leq k \leq K, \\ \sum_{k=0}^K \iota_{i,k} = 1, & \end{array} \right. \\
& & q_{N,l} \geq z_l - x_{N,l}, \quad q_{N,l} \geq x_{N,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\
& & v_N = q_{N,1} + q_{N,2}, \\
& & \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z},
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
M := & \max_{j,j',k,k'} \{ \|\mathbf{u}_j - \mathbf{u}_{j'}\|_1 + \|\mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{u}_{k'}\|_1 + |d_{j,k} - d_{j',k'}| \} \\
& \vee \left( 2 \max_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{ \|\mathbf{z}\|_1 \} + \max_{j,k} \{ \|\mathbf{u}_j\|_1 + \|\mathbf{u}_k\|_1 + d_{j,k} \} \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

## 1.2 Implementation of Oracle( $\cdot, \cdot, \cdot$ )

For  $i = 1, \dots, N$  and any  $\mathbf{y}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_i \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , **Oracle**( $i, \mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{w}_i$ ) solves the global minimization problem  $\inf_{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}_i, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{ c_i(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}) - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \}$ . Under Assumption 1.1, for any  $i \in \{1, \dots, N-1\}$  and for any  $\mathbf{y}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_i = (w_{i,1}, \dots, w_{i,k})^\top \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \inf_{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}_i, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{ c_i(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}) - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \} \\
& = \min_{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}_i, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \left\{ \lambda_i \min \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq K, 1 \leq k \leq K} \left\{ \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{u}_j\|_1 + \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}_k\|_1 + d_{j,k} \right\}, \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{z}\|_1 \right\} \right. \\
& \quad \left. - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \right\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{1.2}$$

Notice that  $\tilde{g}_i^{\mathbf{y}_i}(\mathbf{x}_i) := \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle$  is a continuous function on  $\mathcal{X}_i$  that is piece-wise affine on each  $C \in \mathfrak{C}_i$ . Moreover, notice that  $\tilde{h}^{\mathbf{w}_i}(\mathbf{z}) := \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle$  is a continuous function on  $\mathcal{Z}$  that is piece-wise affine on each  $C \in \mathfrak{C}_0$ . Let us define  $\mathcal{C}_v := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i : \mathbf{v} \in V(C)\}$  for each  $\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)$  and define  $\mathcal{D}_v := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0 : \mathbf{v} \in V(C)\}$  for each  $\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)$ . Let  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, z_2)^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{i,1}, x_{i,2})^\top$  for  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,

and let  $\mathbf{u}_j = (u_{j,1}, u_{j,2})^\top$  for  $j = 1, \dots, K$ . Subsequently, using the mixed-integer formulation of piecewise affine functions in [2], (3.1) can be formulated into the following mixed-integer linear programming problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underset{\substack{\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}, \xi, (r_{k,l}), (p_{k,l}), \\ (q_l), (s_{j,k}), (\iota_{j,k}), \\ (\beta_v), (\chi_C), (\gamma_v), (\psi_C)}}{\text{minimize}} & \lambda_i \xi - \left( \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)} \tilde{g}^{\mathbf{y}_i}(\mathbf{v}) \beta_v \right) - \left( \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)} \tilde{h}^{\mathbf{w}_i}(\mathbf{v}) \gamma_v \right) \\
& \text{subject to} & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \xi \in \mathbb{R}, & \\ r_{k,l} \in \mathbb{R}, p_{k,l} \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \forall 1 \leq k \leq K, \\ q_l \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\ s_{0,0} \in \mathbb{R}, \iota_{0,0} \in \{0, 1\}, & \\ s_{j,k} \in \mathbb{R}, \iota_{j,k} \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, 1 \leq k \leq K, j \neq k, \\ r_{k,l} \geq z_l - u_{k,l}, r_{k,l} \geq u_{k,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \forall 1 \leq k \leq K, \\ p_{k,l} \geq x_{i,l} - u_{k,l}, p_{k,l} \geq u_{k,l} - x_{i,l} & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \forall 1 \leq k \leq K, \\ q_l \geq z_l - x_{i,l}, q_l \geq x_{i,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\ \xi = q_1 + q_2 - s_{0,0}, & \\ \xi = r_{k,1} + r_{k,2} + p_{j,1} + p_{j,2} + d_{j,k} - s_{j,k} & \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, 1 \leq k \leq K, j \neq k, \\ 0 \leq s_{0,0} \leq M(1 - \iota_{0,0}), & (1.3) \\ 0 \leq s_{j,k} \leq M(1 - \iota_{j,k}) & \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, 1 \leq k \leq K, j \neq k, \\ \iota_{0,0} + \sum_{j \neq k} \iota_{j,k} = 1, & \\ \beta_v \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i), \\ \chi_C \in \{0, 1\} & \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_i, \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)} \beta_v = 1, \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} \chi_C = 1, & \\ \beta_v \leq \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_v} \chi_C & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i), \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)} \beta_v \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x}_i, & \\ \gamma_v \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0), \\ \psi_C \in \{0, 1\} & \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_0, \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)} \gamma_v = 1, \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \psi_C = 1, & \\ \gamma_v \leq \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{D}_v} \psi_C & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0), \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)} \gamma_v \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{z}, & \end{array} \right.
\end{aligned}$$

where  $M$  is defined in (1.1).

In the case where  $i = N$ , (3.1) can be formulated into the following mixed-integer linear programming

problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underset{\substack{\mathbf{x}_N, \mathbf{z}, \xi, (q_l), \\ (\beta_v), (\chi_C), (\gamma_v), (\psi_C)}}{\text{minimize}} & \lambda_N \xi - \left( \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_N)} \tilde{g}^{\mathbf{y}_N}(\mathbf{v}) \beta_v \right) - \left( \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)} \tilde{h}^{\mathbf{w}_N}(\mathbf{v}) \gamma_v \right) \\
& \text{subject to} & \begin{cases} \xi \in \mathbb{R}, \\ q_l \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\ q_l \geq z_l - x_{N,l}, \quad q_l \geq x_{N,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\ \xi = q_1 + q_2, \\ \beta_v \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_N), \\ \chi_C \in \{0, 1\} & \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_N, \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_N)} \beta_v = 1, \quad \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_N} \chi_C = 1, \\ \beta_v \leq \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_v} \chi_C & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_N), \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_N)} \beta_v \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x}_N, \\ \gamma_v \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0), \\ \psi_C \in \{0, 1\} & \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_0, \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)} \gamma_v = 1, \quad \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \psi_C = 1, \\ \gamma_v \leq \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{D}_v} \psi_C & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0), \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)} \gamma_v \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{z}. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

### 1.3 Alternative implementation of $\text{Oracle}(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$

Let us now present the alternative mixed-integer formulations of piece-wise affine functions in [2] where the number of binary variables is logarithmic in the number of “pieces”. Let us again work under Assumption 1.1 and fix an arbitrary  $i \in \{1, \dots, N-1\}$  as well as  $\mathbf{y}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$  and  $\mathbf{w}_i \in \mathbb{R}^k$ . Again, let us define  $\tilde{g}_i^{\mathbf{y}_i}(\mathbf{x}_i) := \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle$  and  $\tilde{h}^{\mathbf{w}_i}(\mathbf{z}) := \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle$ . Let  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, z_2)^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{i,1}, x_{i,2})^\top$ , and let  $\mathbf{u}_j = (u_{j,1}, u_{j,2})^\top$  for  $j = 1, \dots, K$ . Let  $T_1 := \lceil \log_2(|\mathfrak{C}_i|) \rceil$  and let  $B_1 : \mathfrak{C}_i \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{T_1}$  be an arbitrary injective function. For  $t = 1, \dots, T_1$ , let  $\mathcal{C}_0^t := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i : [B_1(C)]_t = 0\}$  and let  $\mathcal{C}_1^t := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i : [B_1(C)]_t = 1\}$ . Similarly, let  $T_2 := \lceil \log_2(|\mathfrak{C}_0|) \rceil$  and let  $B_2 : \mathfrak{C}_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{T_2}$  be an arbitrary injective function. For  $t = 1, \dots, T_2$ , let  $\mathcal{D}_0^t := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0 : [B_2(C)]_t = 0\}$  and let  $\mathcal{D}_1^t := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0 : [B_2(C)]_t = 1\}$ . We can then

formulate (1.2) into the following mixed-integer linear programming problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underset{\substack{\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}, \xi, (r_{k,l}), (p_{k,l}), \\ (q_l), (s_{j,k}), (\iota_{j,k}), \\ (\beta_{C,v}), (\chi_t), (\gamma_{C,v}), (\psi_t)}}{\text{minimize}} & \lambda_i \xi - \left( \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \tilde{g}^{\mathbf{y}_i}(\mathbf{v}) \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \right) - \left( \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \tilde{h}^{\mathbf{w}_i}(\mathbf{v}) \gamma_{C,\mathbf{v}} \right) \\
& \text{subject to} & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \xi \in \mathbb{R}, & \\ r_{k,l} \in \mathbb{R}, p_{k,l} \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1,2\}, \forall 1 \leq k \leq K, \\ q_l \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1,2\}, \\ s_{0,0} \in \mathbb{R}, \iota_{0,0} \in \{0,1\}, & \\ s_{j,k} \in \mathbb{R}, \iota_{j,k} \in \{0,1\} & \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, 1 \leq k \leq K, j \neq k, \\ r_{k,l} \geq z_l - u_{k,l}, r_{k,l} \geq u_{k,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1,2\}, \forall 1 \leq k \leq K, \\ p_{k,l} \geq x_{i,l} - u_{k,l}, p_{k,l} \geq u_{k,l} - x_{i,l} & \forall l \in \{1,2\}, \forall 1 \leq k \leq K, \\ q_l \geq z_l - x_{i,l}, q_l \geq x_{i,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1,2\}, \\ \xi = q_1 + q_2 - s_{0,0}, & \\ \xi = r_{k,1} + r_{k,2} + p_{j,1} + p_{j,2} + d_{j,k} - s_{j,k} & \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, 1 \leq k \leq K, j \neq k, \\ 0 \leq s_{0,0} \leq M(1 - \iota_{0,0}), & \\ 0 \leq s_{j,k} \leq M(1 - \iota_{j,k}) & \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, 1 \leq k \leq K, j \neq k, \\ \iota_{0,0} + \sum_{j \neq k} \iota_{j,k} = 1, & \\ \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(C), \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_i, \\ \chi_t \in \{0,1\} & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_1, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} = 1, & \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_1^t} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \leq \chi_t & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_1, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0^t} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \leq (1 - \chi_t) & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_1, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x}_i. & \\ \gamma_{C,\mathbf{v}} \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(C), \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_0, \\ \psi_t \in \{0,1\} & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_2, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \gamma_{C,\mathbf{v}} = 1, & \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{D}_1^t} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \gamma_{C,\mathbf{v}} \leq \psi_t & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_2, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{D}_0^t} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \gamma_{C,\mathbf{v}} \leq (1 - \psi_t) & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_2, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \gamma_{C,\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{z}, & \end{array} \right.
\end{aligned} \tag{1.4}$$

where  $M$  is defined in (1.1).

In the case where  $i = N$ , we have the following alternative mixed-integer linear programming formu-

lation of (3.1):

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underset{\substack{\mathbf{x}_N, \mathbf{z}, \xi, (q_l), \\ (\beta_{C,v}), (\chi_t), (\gamma_{C,v}), (\psi_t)}}{\text{minimize}} & \lambda_N \xi - \left( \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_N} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \tilde{g}^{\mathbf{y}_N}(\mathbf{v}) \beta_{C,v} \right) - \left( \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \tilde{h}^{\mathbf{w}_N}(\mathbf{v}) \gamma_{C,v} \right) \\
& \text{subject to} & \begin{cases} \xi \in \mathbb{R}, \\ q_l \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\ q_l \geq z_l - x_{N,l}, \quad q_l \geq x_{N,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\ \xi = q_1 + q_2, \\ \beta_{C,v} \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(C), \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_N, \\ \chi_t \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_1, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_N} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,v} = 1, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_1^t} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,v} \leq \chi_t & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_1, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0^t} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,v} \leq (1 - \chi_t) & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_1, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_N} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,v} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x}_N. \\ \gamma_{C,v} \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(C), \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_0, \\ \psi_t \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_2, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \gamma_{C,v} = 1, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{D}_1^t} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \gamma_{C,v} \leq \psi_t & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_2, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{D}_0^t} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \gamma_{C,v} \leq (1 - \psi_t) & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_2, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \gamma_{C,v} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{z}. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

#### 1.4 Implementation of $\tilde{\varphi}_i(\cdot)$

For  $i = 1, \dots, N - 1$ , the computation of  $\tilde{\varphi}_i(\cdot)$  involves solving the global minimization problem  $\inf_{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}_i} \{c_i(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}) - \hat{y}_{i,0} - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i \rangle\}$ . Under Assumption 1.1, for any  $\hat{y}_{i,0} \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \inf_{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}_i} \{c_i(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}) - \hat{y}_{i,0} - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i \rangle\} \\
&= \min_{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}_i} \left\{ \lambda_i \min \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq K, 1 \leq k \leq K} \left\{ \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{u}_j\|_1 + \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}_k\|_1 + d_{j,k} \right\}, \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{z}\|_1 \right\} - \hat{y}_{i,0} - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i \rangle \right\} \\
&= \min_{\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}_i} \left\{ \lambda_i \min \left\{ \min_{1 \leq j \leq K} \left\{ \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{u}_j\|_1 + \min_{k \neq j} \left\{ \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}_k\|_1 + d_{j,k} \right\} \right\}, \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{z}\|_1 \right\} - \hat{y}_{i,0} - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i \rangle \right\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{1.5}$$

Thus, using the same notations and method in Section 1.2,  $\tilde{\varphi}_i(\mathbf{z})$  can be formulated into the following mixed-integer linear programming problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underset{\substack{\mathbf{x}_i, \xi, (p_{j,l}), (q_l), (s_j), (\iota_j), \\ (\beta_v), (\chi_C), (\gamma_v), (\psi_C)}}{\text{minimize}} & \lambda_i \xi - \hat{y}_{i,0} - \left( \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)} \tilde{g}^{\hat{\mathbf{y}}_i}(\mathbf{v}) \beta_v \right) \\
& \text{subject to} & \begin{cases} \xi \in \mathbb{R}, \\ p_{j,l} \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, \\ q_l \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\ s_j \in \mathbb{R}, \iota_j \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 0 \leq j \leq K, \\ p_{j,l} \geq x_{i,l} - u_{j,l}, p_{j,l} \geq u_{j,l} - x_{i,l} & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, \\ q_l \geq z_l - x_{i,l}, q_l \geq x_{i,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1, 2\}, \\ \xi = q_1 + q_2 - s_0, \\ \xi = p_{j,1} + p_{j,2} + \min_{k \neq j} \{\|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}_k\|_1 + d_{j,k}\} - s_j & \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, \\ 0 \leq s_j \leq M(1 - \iota_j) & \forall 0 \leq j \leq K, \\ \sum_{j=0}^K \iota_j = 1, \\ \beta_v \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i), \\ \chi_C \in \{0, 1\} & \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_i, \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)} \beta_v = 1, \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} \chi_C = 1, \\ \beta_v \leq \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_v} \chi_C & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i), \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)} \beta_v \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x}_i, \end{cases}
\end{aligned} \tag{1.6}$$

where  $M$  is defined in (1.1).

### 1.5 Alternative implementation of $\tilde{\varphi}_i(\cdot)$

Similar to Section 1.3, there is an alternative mixed-integer linear programming formulation of  $\tilde{\varphi}_i(\mathbf{z})$ . Let us fix an arbitrary  $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$  as well as  $\hat{y}_{i,0} \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$ . Let  $T_1 := \lceil \log_2(|\mathfrak{C}_i|) \rceil$  and let  $B_1 : \mathfrak{C}_i \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{T_1}$  be an arbitrary injective function. For  $t = 1, \dots, T_1$ , let  $\mathcal{C}_0^t := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i : [B_1(C)]_t = 0\}$  and let  $\mathcal{C}_1^t := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i : [B_1(C)]_t = 1\}$ . Subsequently,  $\tilde{\varphi}_i(\mathbf{z})$  can be formulated into the following mixed-

integer linear programming problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underset{\substack{\mathbf{x}_i, \xi, (p_{j,l}), (q_l), \\ (s_j), (\iota_j), (\beta_{C,v}), (\chi_t)}}{\text{minimize}} & \lambda_i \xi - \hat{y}_{i,0} - \left( \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \tilde{g}^{\hat{\mathbf{y}}_i}(\mathbf{v}) \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \right) \\
& \text{subject to} & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll}
\xi \in \mathbb{R}, & \\
p_{j,l} \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1,2\}, \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, \\
q_l \in \mathbb{R} & \forall l \in \{1,2\}, \\
s_j \in \mathbb{R}, \iota_j \in \{0,1\} & \forall 0 \leq j \leq K, \\
p_{j,l} \geq x_{i,l} - u_{j,l}, p_{j,l} \geq u_{j,l} - x_{i,l} & \forall l \in \{1,2\}, \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, \\
q_l \geq z_l - x_{i,l}, q_l \geq x_{i,l} - z_l & \forall l \in \{1,2\}, \\
\xi = q_1 + q_2 - s_0, & \\
\xi = p_{j,1} + p_{j,2} + \min_{k \neq j} \{ \|z - \mathbf{u}_k\|_1 + d_{j,k} \} - s_j & \forall 1 \leq j \leq K, \\
0 \leq s_j \leq M(1 - \iota_j) & \forall 0 \leq j \leq K, \\
\sum_{j=0}^K \iota_j = 1, & \\
\beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(C), \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_i, \\
\chi_t \in \{0,1\} & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_1, \\
\sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} = 1, & \\
\sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_1^t} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \leq \chi_t & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_1, \\
\sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0^t} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \leq (1 - \chi_t) & \forall 1 \leq t \leq T_1, \\
\sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x}_i. &
\end{array} \right.
\end{aligned} \tag{1.7}$$

where  $M$  is defined in (1.1).

## 2 Experiment 2

**Assumption 2.1** (Assumption 4.1 in the paper). *We assume that the following statements hold.*

- For  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_i = \bigcup_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} C \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ , where  $\mathfrak{C}_i$  is a finite collection of triangles such that whenever  $C_1 \cap C_2 \neq \emptyset$  for distinct  $C_1, C_2 \in \mathfrak{C}_i$  then  $C_1 \cap C_2$  is a face (i.e., a vertex or an edge) of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . Moreover,  $d_{\mathcal{X}_i}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}'_i) := \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}'_i\|_2$ .
- $\mathcal{Z} = \bigcup_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} C \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ , where  $\mathfrak{C}_0$  is a finite collection of triangles such that whenever  $C_1 \cap C_2 \neq \emptyset$  for distinct  $C_1, C_2 \in \mathfrak{C}_0$  then  $C_1 \cap C_2$  is a face (i.e., a vertex or an edge) of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . Moreover,  $d_{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') := \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}'\|_2$ .
- For  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $\mu_i \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_i)$  is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathcal{X}_i$  and  $\text{supp}(\mu_i) = \mathcal{X}_i$ .



- For  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $c_i : \mathcal{X}_i \times \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by  $c_i(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}) := \frac{1}{N} (\|\mathbf{z}\|_2^2 - 2\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z} \rangle)$ .
- $\mathcal{G}_1, \dots, \mathcal{G}_N, \mathcal{H}$  are defined according to Setting 2.19.

Thus, under Assumption 2.1, for  $i = 1, \dots, N$  and any  $\mathbf{y}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$ , the function  $\mathcal{X}_i \ni \mathbf{x}_i \mapsto \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function that is piece-wise affine on each  $C \in \mathfrak{C}_i$ . Similarly, for any  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , the function  $\mathcal{Z} \ni \mathbf{z} \mapsto \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w} \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and piece-wise affine on each  $C \in \mathfrak{C}_0$ .

In the following, we introduce the detailed implementation of the global minimization oracle  $\text{Oracle}(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$  used in the approximation of the matching for teams problem. For  $i = 1, \dots, N$  and for any  $\mathbf{y}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_i \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\text{Oracle}(i, \mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{w}_i)$  solves the global minimization problem  $\inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}_i, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{c_i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle\}$ . Under Assumption 2.1, for any  $\mathbf{y}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_i \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}_i, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{c_i(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle\} \\
&= \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}_i, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{\lambda_i \|\mathbf{z}\|_2^2 - 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle\} \\
&= \min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \left\{ \lambda_i \|\mathbf{z}\|_2^2 - \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}_i} \left\{ 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle \right\} - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \right\} \\
&= \min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \left\{ \lambda_i \|\mathbf{z}\|_2^2 - \max_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} \left\{ \max_{\mathbf{x} \in C} \left\{ 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle \right\} \right\} - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \right\} \\
&= \min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \left\{ \lambda_i \|\mathbf{z}\|_2^2 - \max_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_i} \left\{ \max_{\mathbf{x} \in V(C)} \left\{ 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle \right\} \right\} - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \right\} \tag{2.1} \\
&= \min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \left\{ \lambda_i \|\mathbf{z}\|_2^2 - \max_{\mathbf{x} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)} \left\{ 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle \right\} - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \right\} \\
&= \min_{\mathbf{x} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)} \left\{ \min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \left\{ \lambda_i \|\mathbf{z}\|_2^2 - 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \right\} - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle \right\} \\
&= \min_{\mathbf{x} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)} \left\{ \min_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_\mathcal{Z}} \left\{ \min_{\mathbf{z} \in C} \left\{ \lambda_i \|\mathbf{z}\|_2^2 - 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \right\} \right\} - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since the function  $\mathcal{Z} \ni \mathbf{z} \mapsto \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \in \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and piece-wise affine on every  $C \in \mathfrak{C}_0$ , for fixed  $\mathbf{x} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)$  and  $C \in \mathfrak{C}_0$ , the innermost minimization problem in (2.1) corresponds to minimizing a quadratic function over a triangle. In the following, let us fix an arbitrary  $\mathbf{x} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_i)$  and an arbitrary  $C \in \mathfrak{C}_0$ . Let us assume that  $C = \text{conv}(\{\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2, \mathbf{z}_3\})$  for  $\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2, \mathbf{z}_3 \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)$ . Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \min_{\mathbf{z} \in C} \left\{ \lambda_i \|\mathbf{z}\|_2^2 - 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \right\} \\
&= \min \left\{ \lambda_i \|\alpha_1 \mathbf{z}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{z}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathbf{z}_3\|_2^2 - 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \alpha_1 \mathbf{z}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{z}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathbf{z}_3 \rangle \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \langle \alpha_1 \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_1) + \alpha_2 \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_2) + \alpha_3 \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_3), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle : \right. \\
&\quad \left. \alpha_1 \geq 0, \alpha_2 \geq 0, \alpha_3 \geq 0, \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 1 \right\}. \tag{2.2}
\end{aligned}$$

After introducing auxiliary variables  $\zeta_1 \geq 0$ ,  $\zeta_2 \geq 0$ ,  $\zeta_3 \geq 0$ , and  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$ , we derive the following

Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) optimality conditions for (2.2):

$$\begin{aligned}
2\lambda_i \langle \alpha_1^* \mathbf{z}_1 + \alpha_2^* \mathbf{z}_2 + \alpha_3^* \mathbf{z}_3, \mathbf{z}_1 \rangle - 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_1 \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_1), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle - \zeta_1^* + \xi^* &= 0, \\
2\lambda_i \langle \alpha_1^* \mathbf{z}_1 + \alpha_2^* \mathbf{z}_2 + \alpha_3^* \mathbf{z}_3, \mathbf{z}_2 \rangle - 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_2 \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_2), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle - \zeta_2^* + \xi^* &= 0, \\
2\lambda_i \langle \alpha_1^* \mathbf{z}_1 + \alpha_2^* \mathbf{z}_2 + \alpha_3^* \mathbf{z}_3, \mathbf{z}_3 \rangle - 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_3 \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_3), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle - \zeta_3^* + \xi^* &= 0, \\
\alpha_1^* + \alpha_2^* + \alpha_3^* &= 1, \\
\alpha_1^* \geq 0, \alpha_2^* \geq 0, \alpha_3^* \geq 0, \\
\zeta_1^* \geq 0, \zeta_2^* \geq 0, \zeta_3^* \geq 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

The vectorized version of (2.3) is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_1 \rangle & 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2 \rangle & 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_3 \rangle & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{z}_2, \mathbf{z}_1 \rangle & 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{z}_2, \mathbf{z}_2 \rangle & 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{z}_2, \mathbf{z}_3 \rangle & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{z}_3, \mathbf{z}_1 \rangle & 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{z}_3, \mathbf{z}_2 \rangle & 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{z}_3, \mathbf{z}_3 \rangle & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \alpha_2^* \\ \alpha_3^* \\ \zeta_1^* \\ \zeta_2^* \\ \zeta_3^* \\ \xi^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_1 \rangle + \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_1), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \\ 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_2 \rangle + \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_2), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \\ 2\lambda_i \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_3 \rangle + \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_3), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \alpha_2^* \\ \alpha_3^* \\ \zeta_1^* \\ \zeta_2^* \\ \zeta_3^* \end{pmatrix} \geq \mathbf{0}_6.$$

Let  $\mathbf{Z} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_1^\top \\ \mathbf{z}_2^\top \\ \mathbf{z}_3^\top \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_{[1,2]} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_1^\top \\ \mathbf{z}_2^\top \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_{[1,3]} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_1^\top \\ \mathbf{z}_3^\top \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_{[2,3]} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_2^\top \\ \mathbf{z}_3^\top \end{pmatrix}$ , let  $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{Z}) := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_1)^\top \\ \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_2)^\top \\ \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}_3)^\top \end{pmatrix}$ , and let  $\mathbf{1}_2 := (1, 1)^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{1}_3 := (1, 1, 1)^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_1 := (1, 0, 0)^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_2 := (0, 1, 0)^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_3 := (0, 0, 1)^\top$ . We have the following seven case where we can simplify the KKT optimality conditions.

Case 1:  $\zeta_1^* = \zeta_2^* = \zeta_3^* = 0$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \alpha_2^* \\ \alpha_3^* \\ \xi^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{Z}^\top & \mathbf{1}_3 \\ \mathbf{1}_3^\top & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{w}_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \alpha_2^* \\ \alpha_3^* \end{pmatrix} \geq \mathbf{0}_3.$$

Case 2:  $\zeta_1^* = \zeta_2^* = \alpha_3^* = 0$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \alpha_2^* \\ \zeta_3^* \\ \xi^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{Z}_{[1,2]}^\top & -\mathbf{e}_3 & \mathbf{1}_3 \\ \mathbf{1}_2^\top & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{w}_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \alpha_2^* \\ \zeta_3^* \end{pmatrix} \geq \mathbf{0}_3.$$

Case 3:  $\zeta_1^* = \alpha_2^* = \zeta_3^* = 0$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \alpha_3^* \\ \zeta_2^* \\ \xi^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{Z}_{[1,3]}^\top & -\mathbf{e}_2 & \mathbf{1}_3 \\ \mathbf{1}_2^\top & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{w}_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \alpha_3^* \\ \zeta_2^* \end{pmatrix} \geq \mathbf{0}_3.$$

Case 4:  $\alpha_1^* = \zeta_2^* = \zeta_3^* = 0$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2^* \\ \alpha_3^* \\ \zeta_1^* \\ \xi^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{Z}_{[2,3]}^\top & -\mathbf{e}_1 & \mathbf{1}_3 \\ \mathbf{1}_2^\top & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{w}_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2^* \\ \alpha_3^* \\ \zeta_1^* \end{pmatrix} \geq \mathbf{0}_3.$$

Case 5:  $\zeta_1^* = \alpha_2^* = \alpha_3^* = 0$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \zeta_2^* \\ \zeta_3^* \\ \xi^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{z}_1 & -\mathbf{e}_2 & -\mathbf{e}_3 & \mathbf{1}_3 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{w}_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \zeta_2^* \\ \zeta_3^* \end{pmatrix} \geq \mathbf{0}_3.$$

Case 6:  $\alpha_1^* = \zeta_2^* = \alpha_3^* = 0$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2^* \\ \zeta_1^* \\ \zeta_3^* \\ \xi^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{z}_2 & -\mathbf{e}_1 & -\mathbf{e}_3 & \mathbf{1}_3 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{w}_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2^* \\ \zeta_1^* \\ \zeta_3^* \end{pmatrix} \geq \mathbf{0}_3.$$

Case 7:  $\alpha_1^* = \alpha_2^* = \zeta_3^* = 0$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_3^* \\ \zeta_1^* \\ \zeta_2^* \\ \xi^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{z}_3 & -\mathbf{e}_1 & -\mathbf{e}_2 & \mathbf{1}_3 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 2\lambda_i \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{w}_i \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_3^* \\ \zeta_1^* \\ \zeta_2^* \end{pmatrix} \geq \mathbf{0}_3.$$

These seven cases can help us compute (2.2) efficiently, which will then allow us to compute (2.1).

### 3 Experiment 3

**Assumption 3.1.** *We assume that the following statements hold.*

- For  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_i = [\underline{\kappa}_i, \bar{\kappa}_i] \subset \mathbb{R}$ , where  $-\infty < \underline{\kappa}_i < \bar{\kappa}_i < \infty$ . Moreover,  $d_{\mathcal{X}_i}(x_i, x'_i) := |x_i - x'_i|$ .
- $\mathcal{Z} = \bigcup_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} C \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is a polytope, where  $\mathfrak{C}_0$  is a finite collection of triangles such that whenever  $C_1 \cap C_2 \neq \emptyset$  for distinct  $C_1, C_2 \in \mathfrak{C}_0$  then  $C_1 \cap C_2$  is a face (i.e., a vertex or an edge) of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . Moreover,  $d_{\mathcal{Z}}(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') := \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}'\|_2$ .

- For  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $\mu_i \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_i)$  is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathcal{X}_i$  and  $\text{supp}(\mu_i) = \mathcal{X}_i$ .
- For  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $c_i : \mathcal{X}_i \times \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by  $c_i(x_i, \mathbf{z}) := l_i(x_i - \langle \mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{z} \rangle)$  where  $\mathbf{s}_i \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $l_i : [\lambda_{i,0}, \lambda_{i,n_i}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function that is piece-wise affine on  $[\lambda_{i,0}, \lambda_{i,1}], \dots, [\lambda_{i,n_i-1}, \lambda_{i,n_i}]$  for  $n_i \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $-\infty < \lambda_{i,0} < \lambda_{i,1} < \dots < \lambda_{i,n_i} < \infty$ , satisfying  $\lambda_{i,0} \leq \underline{\kappa}_i - \max_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{\langle \mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{z} \rangle\}$ ,  $\lambda_{i,n_i} \geq \bar{\kappa}_i - \min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{\langle \mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{z} \rangle\}$ .
- For  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $\underline{\kappa}_i = \kappa_{i,0} < \kappa_{i,1} < \dots < \kappa_{i,m_i} = \bar{\kappa}_i$ , and  $g_{i,0}, g_{i,1}, \dots, g_{i,m_i} : \mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
g_{i,0}(x_i) &:= \frac{(\kappa_{i,1} - x_i)^+}{\kappa_{i,1} - \kappa_{i,0}}, \\
g_{i,j}(x_i) &:= \min \left\{ \frac{(x_i - \kappa_{i,j-1})^+}{\kappa_{i,j} - \kappa_{i,j-1}}, \frac{(\kappa_{i,j+1} - x_i)^+}{\kappa_{i,j+1} - \kappa_{i,j}} \right\} \quad \forall 1 \leq j \leq m_i - 1, \\
g_{i,m_i}(x_i) &:= \frac{(x_i - \kappa_{i,m_i-1})^+}{\kappa_{i,m_i} - \kappa_{i,m_i-1}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $\mathcal{G}_i := \{g_{i,1}, \dots, g_{i,m_i}\}$  and let  $\mathbf{g}_i(x_i) := (g_{i,1}(x_i), \dots, g_{i,m_i}(x_i))^\top$  for all  $x_i \in \mathcal{X}_i$ .

- $\mathcal{H}$  is defined according to Setting 2.19.

In the following subsections, we introduce the detailed implementations of the function  $\bar{c}(x_1, \dots, x_N)$  and the global minimization oracles used in the approximation of the matching for teams problem.

### 3.1 Implementation of the function $\bar{c}(x_1, \dots, x_N)$

Under Assumption 3.1, using the mixed-integer formulation of piece-wise affine functions by Vielma et al. [2], the minimization problem  $\bar{c}(x_1, \dots, x_N) := \min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N c_i(x_i, \mathbf{z}) \right\}$  can be formulated into the following mixed-integer linear programming problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underset{\mathbf{z}, (\zeta_{i,t}), (\iota_{i,t})}{\text{minimize}} && \sum_{i=1}^N l_i(\lambda_{i,0}) + \sum_{t=1}^{n_i} (l_i(\lambda_{i,t}) - l_i(\lambda_{i,t-1})) \zeta_{i,t} \\
& \text{subject to} && \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N : \\
& && \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \zeta_{i,t} \in \mathbb{R} & \forall 1 \leq t \leq n_i, \\ \iota_{i,t} \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 1 \leq t \leq n_i - 1, \\ \zeta_{i,1} \leq 1, \zeta_{i,n_i} \geq 0, \\ \zeta_{i,t+1} \leq \iota_{i,t} \leq \zeta_{i,t} & \forall 1 \leq t \leq n_i - 1, \\ \lambda_{i,0} + \sum_{t=1}^{n_i} (\lambda_{i,t} - \lambda_{i,t-1}) \zeta_{i,t} = x_i - \langle \mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{z} \rangle, \end{array} \right. \\
& && \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}.
\end{aligned}$$

### 3.2 Implementation of Oracle( $\cdot, \cdot, \cdot$ )

For  $i = 1, \dots, N$  and any  $\mathbf{y}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_i \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , Oracle( $i, \mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{w}_i$ ) solves the global minimization problem  $\inf_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}_i, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{c_i(x_i, \mathbf{z}) - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(x_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle\}$ . Under Assumption 3.1, for any  $\mathbf{y}_i = (y_{i,1}, \dots, y_{i,m_i})^\top$

$\in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_i = (w_{i,1}, \dots, w_{i,k})^\top \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \inf_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}_i, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{c_i(x_i, \mathbf{z}) - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(x_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle\} \\ &= \min_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}_i, \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} \{l_i(x_i - \langle \mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{z} \rangle) - \langle \mathbf{g}_i(x_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle - \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

Notice that  $\tilde{g}_i^{\mathbf{y}_i}(x_i) := \langle \mathbf{g}_i(x_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle$  is a continuous function on  $\mathcal{X}_i$  that is piece-wise affine on  $[\kappa_{i,0}, \kappa_{i,1}], \dots, [\kappa_{i,m_i-1}, \kappa_{i,m_i}]$ , where  $\tilde{g}_i^{\mathbf{y}_i}(\kappa_{i,0}) = 0$  and  $\tilde{g}_i^{\mathbf{y}_i}(\kappa_{i,j}) = y_{i,j}$  for  $j = 1, \dots, m_i$ . Let  $y_{i,0} \equiv 0$ . Moreover, notice that  $\tilde{h}^{\mathbf{w}_i}(\mathbf{z}) := \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle$  is a continuous function on  $\mathcal{Z}$  that is piece-wise affine on each  $C \in \mathfrak{C}_0$ . We define  $\mathcal{C}_v := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0 : \mathbf{v} \in V(C)\}$  for each  $\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)$ . Subsequently, using the mixed-integer formulation of piece-wise affine functions in [2], (3.1) can be formulated into the following mixed-integer linear programming problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\substack{x_i, \mathbf{z}, (\zeta_t), (\iota_t), \\ (\xi_j), (\eta_j), (\beta_v), (\chi_C)}}{\text{minimize}} & l_i(\lambda_{i,0}) + \sum_{t=1}^{n_i} (l_i(\lambda_{i,t}) - l_i(\lambda_{i,t-1}))\zeta_t + \sum_{j=1}^{m_i} (y_{i,j-1} - y_{i,j})\xi_j - \left( \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)} \tilde{h}^{\mathbf{w}_i}(\mathbf{v})\beta_v \right) \\ & \text{subject to} & \begin{cases} \zeta_t \in \mathbb{R} & \forall 1 \leq t \leq n_i, \\ \iota_t \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 1 \leq t \leq n_i - 1, \\ \zeta_1 \leq 1, \zeta_{n_i} \geq 0, \\ \zeta_{t+1} \leq \iota_t \leq \zeta_t & \forall 1 \leq t \leq n_i - 1, \\ \lambda_{i,0} + \sum_{t=1}^{n_i} (\lambda_{i,t} - \lambda_{i,t-1})\zeta_t = x_i - \langle \mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{z} \rangle, \\ \xi_j \in \mathbb{R} & \forall 1 \leq j \leq m_i, \\ \eta_j \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 1 \leq j \leq m_i - 1, \\ \xi_1 \leq 1, \xi_{m_i} \geq 0, \\ \xi_{j+1} \leq \eta_j \leq \xi_j & \forall 1 \leq j \leq m_i - 1, \\ \kappa_{i,0} + \sum_{j=1}^{m_i} (\kappa_{i,j} - \kappa_{i,j-1})\xi_j = x_i, \\ \beta_v \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0), \\ \chi_C \in \{0, 1\} & \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_0, \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)} \beta_v = 1, \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \chi_C = 1, \\ \beta_v \leq \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}_v} \chi_C & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0), \\ \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(\mathfrak{C}_0)} \beta_v \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{z}. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

### 3.3 Alternative implementation of Oracle( $\cdot, \cdot, \cdot$ )

Let us now present the alternative mixed-integer formulations of piece-wise affine functions in [2] where the number of binary variables is logarithmic in the number of “pieces”. Let us again work under Assumption 3.1 and fix an arbitrary  $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$  as well as  $\mathbf{y}_i = (y_{i,1}, \dots, y_{i,m_i})^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{m_i}$  and  $\mathbf{w}_i = (w_{i,1}, \dots, w_{i,k})^\top \in \mathbb{R}^k$ . Again, let us define  $\tilde{g}_i^{\mathbf{y}_i}(x_i) := \langle \mathbf{g}_i(x_i), \mathbf{y}_i \rangle$  and  $\tilde{h}^{\mathbf{w}_i}(\mathbf{z}) := \langle \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{w}_i \rangle$ . Let  $q_1 := \lceil \log_2(n_i) \rceil$ , and let  $(\mathbf{b}_1^r)_{r=1:n_i} \subseteq \{0, 1\}^{q_1}$  be a sequence of distinct binary-valued vectors such that

$\mathbf{b}_1^r$  and  $\mathbf{b}_1^{r+1}$  differ by at most one component for  $r = 1, \dots, n_i - 1$ . For  $s = 1, \dots, q_1$ , define

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_1^s &:= \{r : r = 0, [\mathbf{b}_1^1]_s = 0\} \cup \{r : 1 \leq r \leq n_i - 1, [\mathbf{b}_1^r]_s = 0, [\mathbf{b}_1^{r+1}]_s = 0\} \cup \{r : r = n_i, [\mathbf{b}_1^{n_i}]_s = 0\}, \\ \mathcal{R}_1^s &:= \{r : r = 0, [\mathbf{b}_1^1]_s = 1\} \cup \{r : 1 \leq r \leq n_i - 1, [\mathbf{b}_1^r]_s = 1, [\mathbf{b}_1^{r+1}]_s = 1\} \cup \{r : r = n_i, [\mathbf{b}_1^{n_i}]_s = 1\}.\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, let  $q_2 := \lceil \log_2(m_i) \rceil$ , and let  $(\mathbf{b}_2^r)_{r=1:m_i} \subseteq \{0, 1\}^{q_2}$  be a sequence of distinct binary-valued vectors such that  $\mathbf{b}_2^r$  and  $\mathbf{b}_2^{r+1}$  differ by at most one component for  $r = 1, \dots, m_i - 1$ . For  $s = 1, \dots, q_2$ , define

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_2^s &:= \{r : r = 0, [\mathbf{b}_2^1]_s = 0\} \cup \{r : 1 \leq r \leq m_i - 1, [\mathbf{b}_2^r]_s = 0, [\mathbf{b}_2^{r+1}]_s = 0\} \cup \{r : r = m_i, [\mathbf{b}_2^{m_i}]_s = 0\}, \\ \mathcal{R}_2^s &:= \{r : r = 0, [\mathbf{b}_2^1]_s = 1\} \cup \{r : 1 \leq r \leq m_i - 1, [\mathbf{b}_2^r]_s = 1, [\mathbf{b}_2^{r+1}]_s = 1\} \cup \{r : r = m_i, [\mathbf{b}_2^{m_i}]_s = 1\}.\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, let  $q_3 := \lceil \log_2(|\mathfrak{C}_0|) \rceil$  and let  $B : \mathfrak{C}_0 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{q_3}$  be an arbitrary injective function. For  $s = 1, \dots, q_3$ , let  $\mathcal{C}_0^s := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0 : [B(C)]_s = 0\}$  and let  $\mathcal{C}_1^s := \{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0 : [B(C)]_s = 1\}$ . We can then formulate (3.1) into the following mixed-integer linear programming problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\substack{x_i, \mathbf{z}, (\zeta_t), (\iota_{s_1}), \\ (\xi_j), (\eta_{s_2}), (\beta_{C,v}), (\chi_{s_3})}}{\text{minimize}} & & \sum_{t=0}^{n_i} l_i(\lambda_{i,t}) \zeta_t - \left( \sum_{j=1}^{m_i} y_{i,j} \xi_j \right) - \left( \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \tilde{h}^{\mathbf{w}_i}(\mathbf{v}) \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \right) \\ & \text{subject to} & & \begin{cases} \zeta_t \geq 0 & \forall 0 \leq t \leq n_i, \\ \iota_{s_1} \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 1 \leq s_1 \leq q_1, \\ \sum_{t=0}^{n_i} \zeta_t = 1, \\ \sum_{r \in \mathcal{L}_1^{s_1}} \zeta_r \leq \iota_{s_1}, \quad \sum_{r \in \mathcal{R}_1^{s_1}} \zeta_r \leq (1 - \iota_{s_1}) & \forall 1 \leq s_1 \leq q_1, \\ \sum_{t=0}^{n_i} \lambda_{i,t} \zeta_t = x_i - \langle \mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{z} \rangle, \\ \xi_j \geq 0 & \forall 0 \leq j \leq m_i, \\ \eta_{s_2} \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 1 \leq s_2 \leq q_2, \\ \sum_{j=0}^{m_i} \xi_j = 1, \\ \sum_{r \in \mathcal{L}_2^{s_2}} \xi_r \leq \eta_{s_2}, \quad \sum_{r \in \mathcal{R}_2^{s_2}} \xi_r \leq (1 - \eta_{s_2}) & \forall 1 \leq s_2 \leq q_2, \\ \sum_{j=1}^{m_i} \kappa_{i,j} \xi_j = x_i, \\ \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \geq 0 & \forall \mathbf{v} \in V(C), \forall C \in \mathfrak{C}_0, \\ \chi_{s_3} \in \{0, 1\} & \forall 1 \leq s_3 \leq q_3, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} = 1, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}_1^{s_3}} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \leq \chi_{s_3} & \forall 1 \leq s_3 \leq q_3, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}_0^{s_3}} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \leq (1 - \chi_{s_3}) & \forall 1 \leq s_3 \leq q_3, \\ \sum_{C \in \mathfrak{C}_0} \sum_{\mathbf{v} \in V(C)} \beta_{C,\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{z}. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

In the numerical experiment, we have tested both formulations (3.2) and (3.3). The results showed that the formulation (3.3) is faster. Therefore, the experimental results in the paper are based on the formulation (3.3).

## 4 Semi-discrete optimal transport in $\mathbb{R}^2$

In this section, we will present the numerical method that we use to compute the semi-discrete optimal transport. This corresponds to the following setting.

**Assumption 4.1** (Semi-discrete optimal transport in two dimensions). *We assume that the following statements hold.*

- $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is a convex polytope,  $d_{\mathcal{X}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\|_2$ ;
- $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\alpha_i \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 1$ ,  $\nu_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \delta_{\mathbf{x}_i}$ ;
- $\nu_2 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X})$  has a bounded density function  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  with respect to the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

In the case where the support of  $\nu_2$  is non-convex, we can take  $\mathcal{X}$  to be the convex hull of the support of  $\nu_2$ . It follows from Lemma 3.1 in the paper that an optimal coupling between  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$  is characterized as follows. Let  $h : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$h(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) := \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi_i \right) - \int_{\mathcal{X}} \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{ \phi_i - \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \} \nu_2(d\mathbf{y}) \quad \forall (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Moreover, for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and for all  $(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) \subset \mathcal{X}$  be defined as follows

$$V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) := \left\{ \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{X} : \phi_i - \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}\|_2 = \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \{ \phi_k - \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \} \right\}.$$

It follows from the proof of [1, Proposition 3.2] that for any  $(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $i \neq j$ ,  $V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) \cap V_j(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)$  is  $\nu_2$ -negligible. Hence,  $h(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)$  can be rewritten as

$$h(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \alpha_i \phi_i - \int_{V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)} \phi_i - \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \nu_2(d\mathbf{y}) \right).$$

Furthermore, it follows from the proof of [1, Proposition 3.2] that  $h$  is differentiable with gradient  $\nabla h : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  given by

$$\nabla h(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) = (\alpha_1 - \nu_2(V_1(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)), \dots, \alpha_n - \nu_2(V_n(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)))^T \quad \forall (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Lemma 3.1 in the paper states that an optimal coupling of  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$  is characterized by the sets  $(V_i(\phi_1^*, \dots, \phi_n^*))_{i=1:n}$  where  $(\phi_1^*, \dots, \phi_n^*) \in \arg \max_{(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)} \{h(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)\}$ . Therefore, if we are able to evaluate  $\int_{V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)} \phi_i - \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \nu_2(d\mathbf{y})$  and  $\nu_2(V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n))$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and any  $(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we are then able to compute  $(\phi_1^*, \dots, \phi_n^*) \in \arg \max_{(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)} \{h(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)\}$  via any first-order convex optimization method.

An important observations is that for any  $(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and any  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , the set  $V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)$  is characterized by straight lines and hyperbolas, i.e.,

$$V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n) = \mathcal{X} \cap \bigcap_{k \neq i} \left\{ \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}\|_2 - \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \leq \phi_i - \phi_k \right\}.$$

For  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , let  $\bar{\rho}_{\mathcal{X},i} : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be defined by

$$\bar{\rho}_{\mathcal{X},i}(\theta) := \max \left\{ \rho \geq 0 : \mathbf{x}_i + \rho \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{X} \right\} \quad \forall \theta \in [0, 2\pi].$$

Since  $\mathcal{X}$  is a convex polytope, which can be characterized by the intersection of finitely many closed half-spaces, the function  $\bar{\rho}_{\mathcal{X},i}(\cdot)$  can be efficiently evaluated via the polar equations of straight lines.

Similarly, for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $k \neq i$ , let  $\bar{\rho}_{i,k} : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be defined by

$$\bar{\rho}_{i,k}(\theta) := \max \left\{ \max \left\{ \rho \geq 0 : \rho - \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_i - \rho \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}\|_2 \leq \phi_i - \phi_k \right\}, 0 \right\} \quad \forall \theta \in [0, 2\pi].$$

Since the set  $\left\{ \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}\|_2 - \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \leq \phi_i - \phi_k \right\}$ , unless empty, can be characterized by a hyperbola, the function  $\bar{\rho}_{i,k}(\cdot)$  can be efficiently evaluated via the polar equation of hyperbola. Finally, letting  $\bar{\rho}_i(\theta) := \min \left\{ \bar{\rho}_{\mathcal{X},i}(\theta), \min_{k \neq i} \left\{ \bar{\rho}_{i,k}(\theta) \right\} \right\}$  for all  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , the terms  $\int_{V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)} \phi_i - \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \nu_2(d\mathbf{y})$  and  $\nu_2(V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n))$  can be re-expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)} \phi_i - \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \nu_2(d\mathbf{y}) &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\bar{\rho}_i(\theta)} \rho(\phi_i - \rho) f\left(\mathbf{x}_i + \rho \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}\right) d\rho d\theta \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n, \\ \nu_2(V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)) &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\bar{\rho}_i(\theta)} \rho f\left(\mathbf{x}_i + \rho \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}\right) d\rho d\theta \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

If the inner integrals  $\int_0^{\bar{\rho}_i(\theta)} \rho(\phi_i - \rho) f\left(\mathbf{x}_i + \rho \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}\right) d\rho$  and  $\int_0^{\bar{\rho}_i(\theta)} \rho f\left(\mathbf{x}_i + \rho \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}\right) d\rho$  are piece-wise continuous in  $\theta$  and can be efficiently computed, e.g., when  $f(\cdot)$  is piece-wise affine, then the terms  $\int_{V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n)} \phi_i - \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \nu_2(d\mathbf{y})$  and  $\nu_2(V_i(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n))$  can be accurately approximated via any numerical quadrature procedure.

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