
HK distance

In \mathbb{R}^d space, let $c_\lambda(x, y) = -2 \ln(\cos(\frac{\|x-y\|}{2\sqrt{\lambda}}))$ and $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be a convex set.

Definition 0.1. By ([1] Definition 5.5), the (square of) WFR (Wasserstein Fisher Rao) distance is defined by

$$WFR^2(\mu, \nu) = \frac{1}{2} \inf_{\rho, \omega, \zeta} \int_{\Omega \times [0,1]} \left(|v|^2 + \lambda \left(\frac{\zeta}{\rho} \right)^2 \right) \rho dx dt \quad (1)$$

where $(\rho, v\rho, \zeta) \in \mathcal{M}_+([0, 1] \times \Omega)^{1+d+1}$ satisfies continuity equation

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho v) = \zeta.$$

Definition 0.2. The Static Kantorovich formulation of HK is defined as:

$$HK_S(\mu, \nu) := \min_{\pi_1, \pi_2} 2\lambda \int \left(\frac{d\pi_1}{d\mathcal{L}} + \frac{d\pi_2}{d\mathcal{L}} - 2\sqrt{\frac{d\pi_1}{d\mathcal{L}} \frac{d\pi_2}{d\mathcal{L}}} \cdot \left(\frac{\|x-y\|}{2\sqrt{\lambda}} \right) \right) d\mathcal{L} \quad (2)$$

where \mathcal{L} is a reference such that $\pi_1, \pi_2 \ll \mathcal{L}$ and it does not affect the problem.

By Theorem 5.6 in [1], $WFR^2(\mu, \nu) = HK_S(\mu, \nu)$.

Definition 0.3. The dual formulation of HK distance is:

$$HK_{duel}(\mu, \nu) := 2\lambda \left(\sup_{u,v} \int_{\Omega} (1 - e^{-u}) d\mu + \int_{\Omega} (1 - e^{-v}) d\nu \right) \quad (3)$$

where $u, v \in C_0(\Omega)$ and $u + v \leq c_\lambda(x, y), \forall (x, y) \in \Omega^2$.

By Corollary 5.8 in [1], we have $WFR^2(\mu, \nu) = HK_{duel}(\mu, \nu)$.

Definition 0.4. The optimal entropy transport formulation of HK problem is defined as:

$$HK_{ET}(\mu, \nu) := 2\lambda \min_{\pi \in \mathcal{M}_+(\Omega^2)} \int c_\lambda(x, y) d\pi + KL((P_1)_{\#}\pi \parallel \mu) + KL((P_2)_{\#}\pi \parallel \nu) \quad (4)$$

where $u, v \in C_0(\Omega)$ and $u + v \leq c_\lambda(x, y), \forall (x, y) \in \Omega^2$.

By Corollary 5.9 in [1], we have $WFR^2(\mu, \nu) = HK_{ET}(\mu, \nu)$

References

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