



Relaxing the Objective

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• so far: deterministic matches

- Want: soft, fractional assignments



Classic OT

Submodular OT

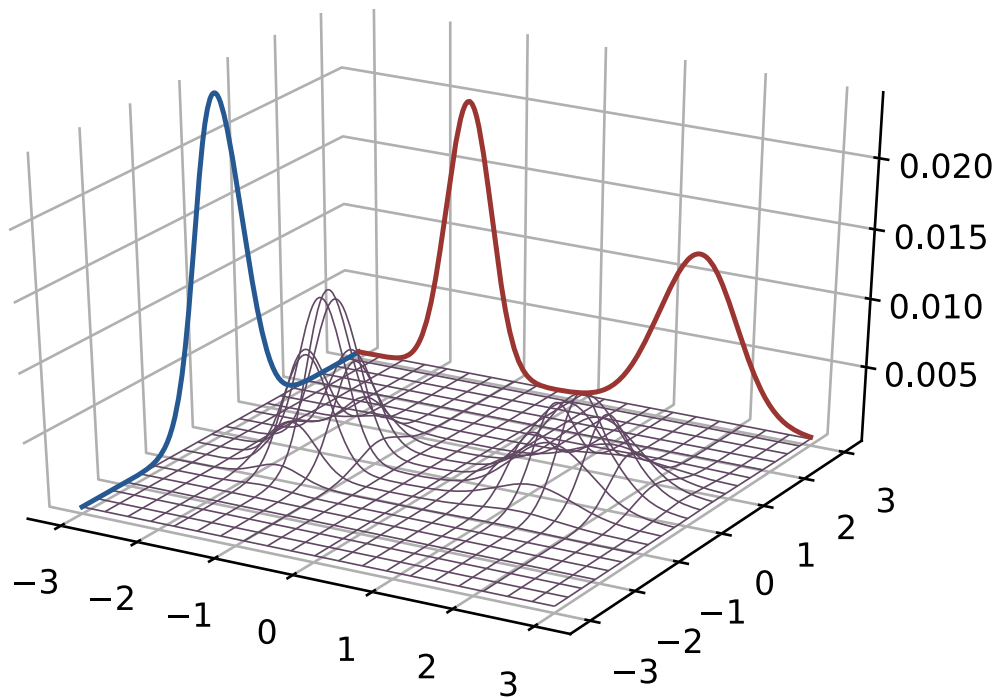
Relaxed Formulation

Strict
Formulation

$$\min_M \sum_{(i,j) \in M} C_{ij}$$

$$\min_M F(M)$$

$$\min_{\Gamma \in \Pi(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})} \sum_{(i,j)} c_{ij} \Gamma_{ij}$$

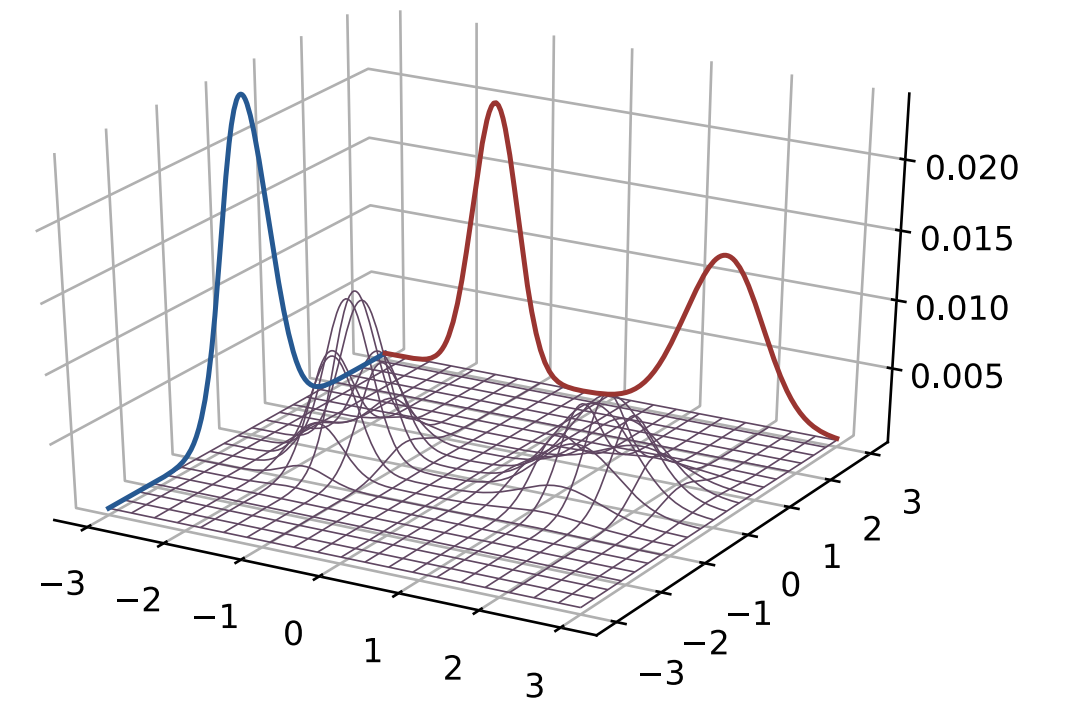


Structured OT

Relaxing the Objective

- So far: **deterministic** matches
- Want: **soft**, fractional assignments

	Classic OT	Submodular OT
Strict Formulation	$\min_M \sum_{(i,j) \in M} C_{ij}$	$\min_M F(M)$
Relaxed Formulation	$\min_{\Gamma \in \Pi(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})} \sum_{(i,j)} C_{ij} \Gamma_{ij}$?



Submodularity

The Lovász Extension

- Extends the domain of F from $\{0,1\}^n$ to $[0,1]^n$

