



Regression on distributions based on regularized Optimal Transport

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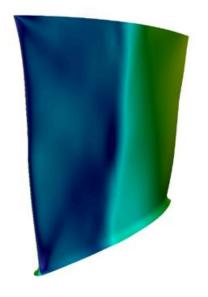
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Problem:

Find the best shape for a blade

A blade in \mathbb{R}^3



Fluid dynamics simulation

Aerodynamic coefficient 0.648

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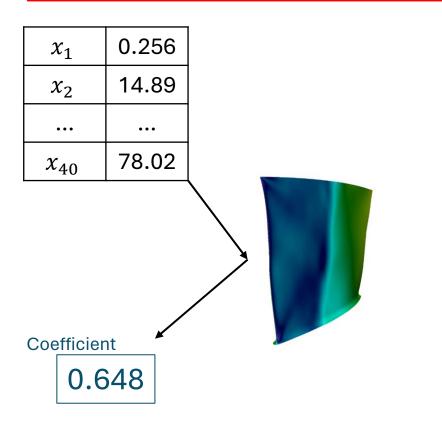
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x_1	0.256	
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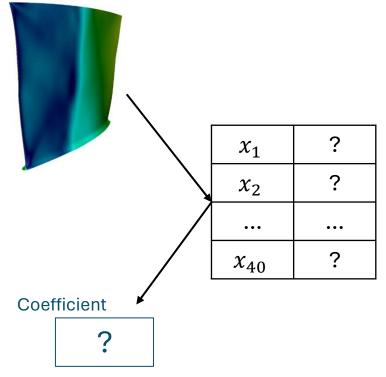
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Kernel for comparing Distributions

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Formulation with the Representer Theorem

$$\min_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^n} ||Y - K\alpha||^2 + \lambda \alpha^{\mathsf{T}} K\alpha$$

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With the linear Kernel and when $\lambda \to 0$, we get the usual linear regression

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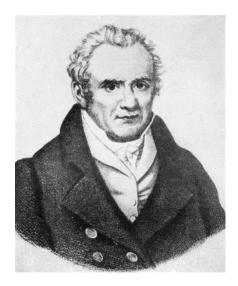
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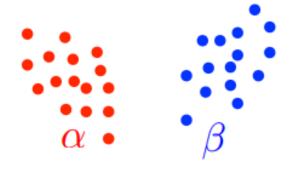
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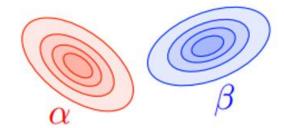
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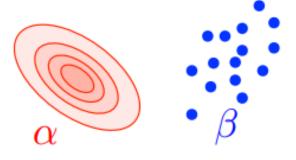
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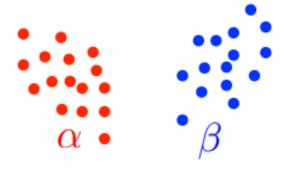
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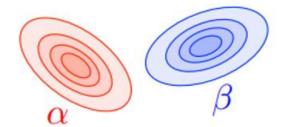
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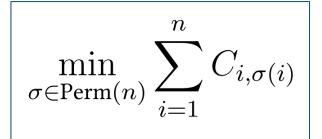
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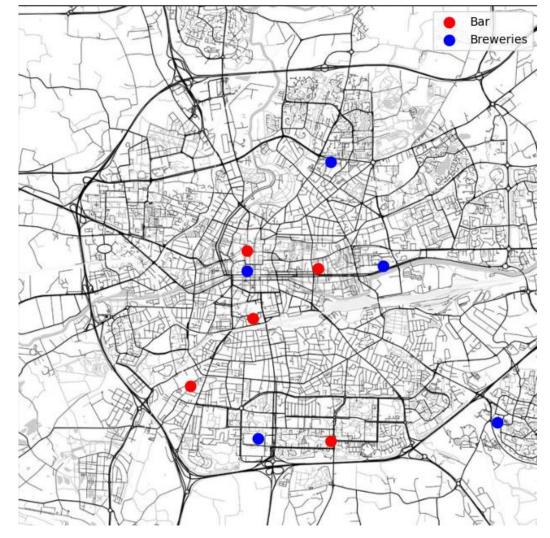
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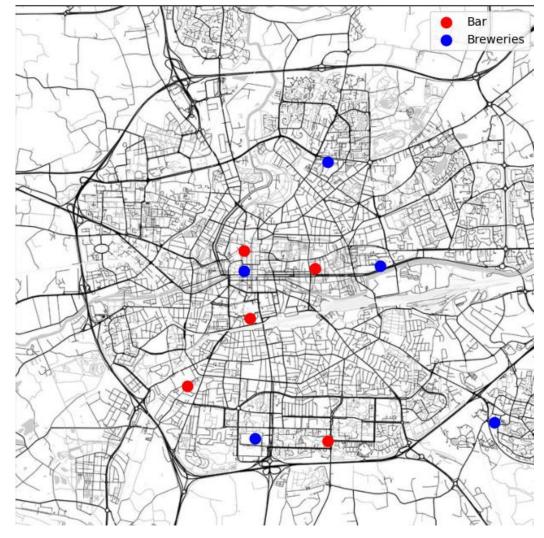
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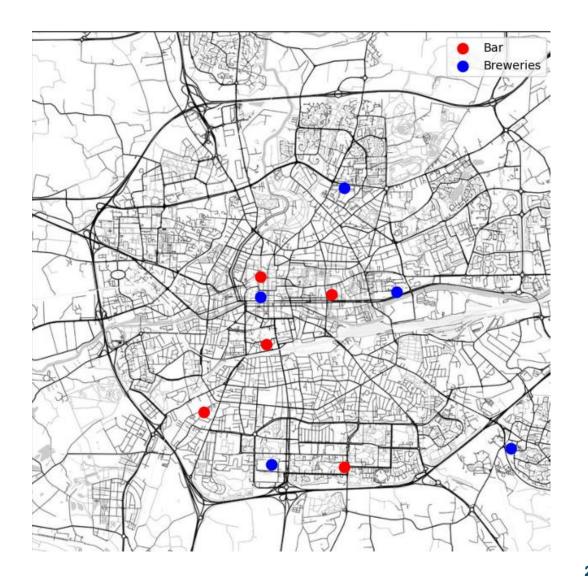
Transport map:

$$T: \{1, \ldots, 5\} \rightarrow \{1, \ldots, 5\}$$



Solve:

$$\min_{T} \left\{ \sum_{i} c(x_i, T(x_i)) : T_{\sharp} \alpha = \beta \right\}$$

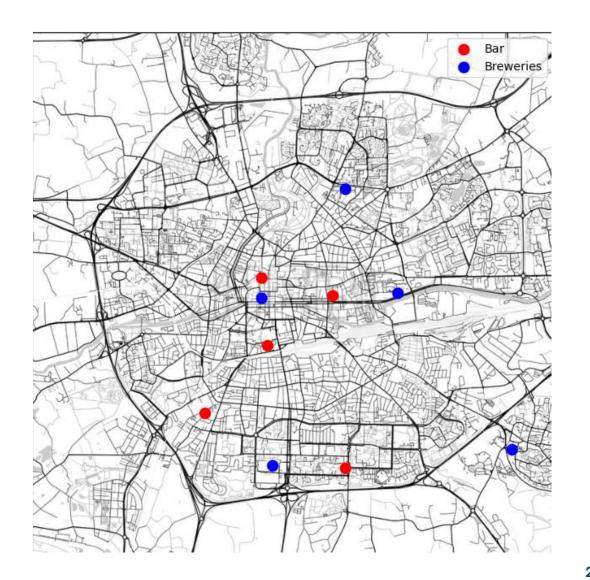


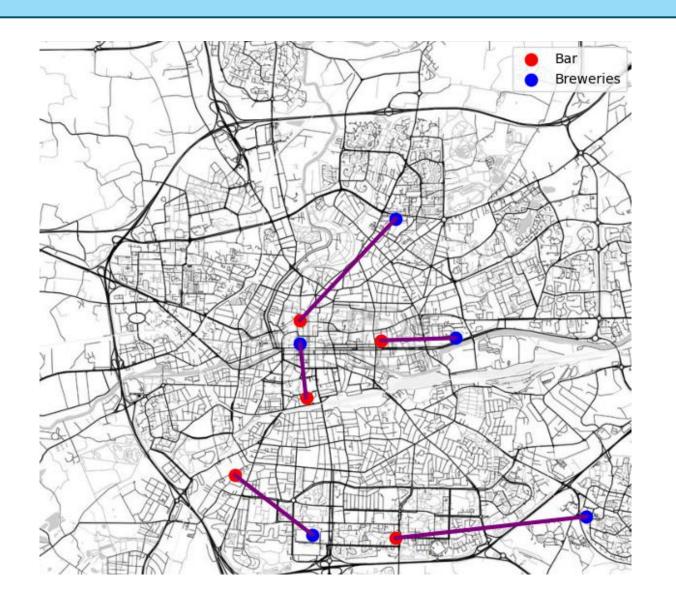
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Total Cost = 47

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Computationally impossible

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x_i: i \in \{1, ..., 5\} y_j: j \in \{1, ..., 5\}

Permutations \sigma: \{1, ..., 5\} \rightarrow \{1, ..., 5\}

5! = 120

permutations possibles
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23 bars and breweries:

 $23! = 2.585202 \times 10^{22}$ permutations possibles

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 $n \neq m : not always a solution$

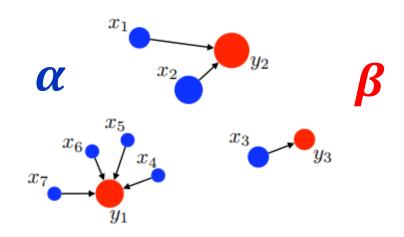
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P: coupling matrix $\in \mathbb{R}_+^{n \times m}$

 $P_{i,j}$: amount of mass flowing from source x_i to destination y_i



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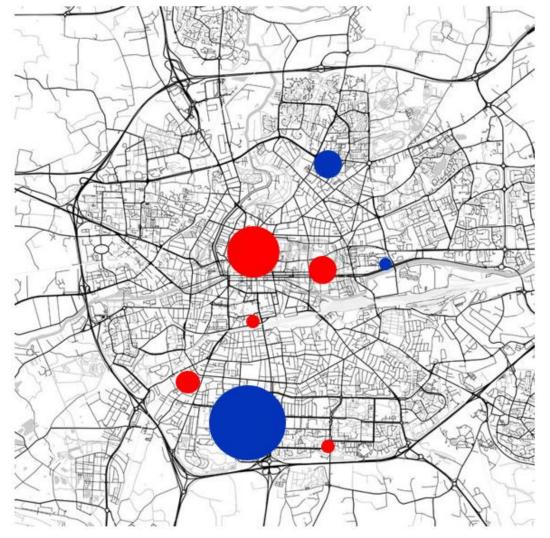
Kantorovich's Relaxation

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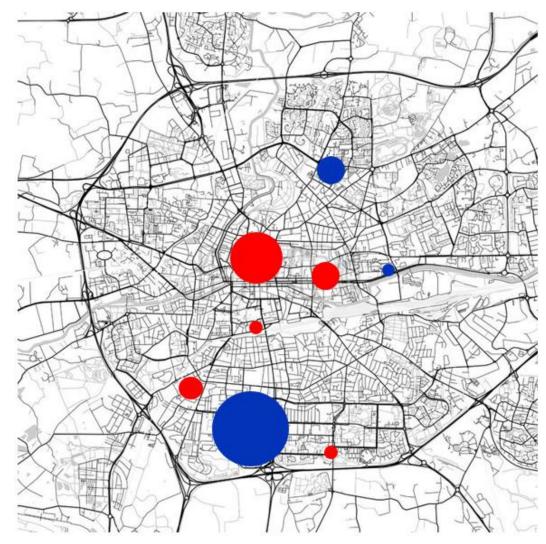
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Mass conservation constraint:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{3} a_i = \sum_{i=1}^{5} b_i = 1$$

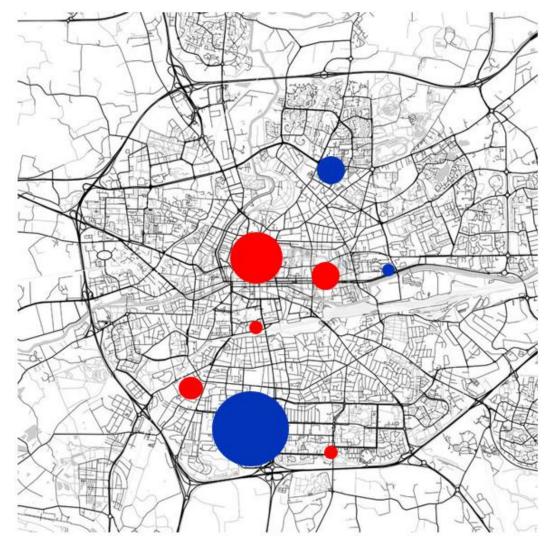


Solving

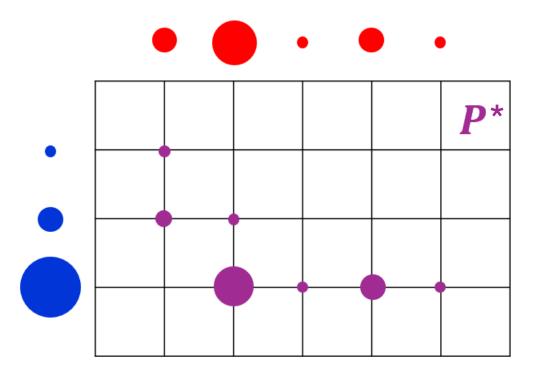
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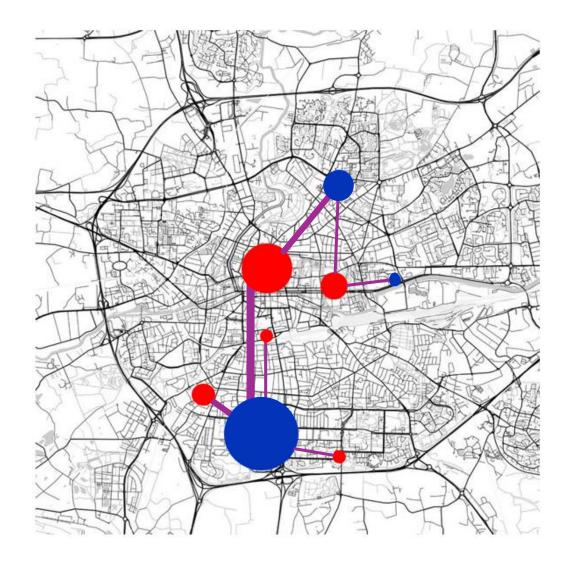
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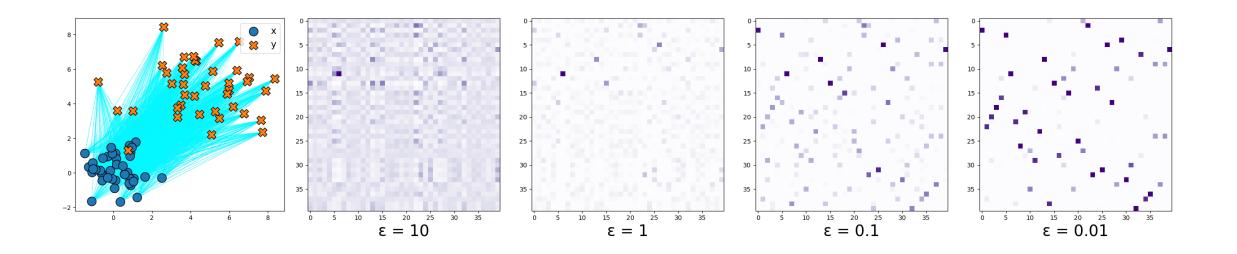
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Link between Regularized OT and Kantorovich's formulation

$$L_C^{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \to 0]{} L_C(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$$

Impact of the regularization parameter on the solution



$$\Lambda_{\mathbf{C}}^{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}) = \langle \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{C} \rangle - \varepsilon H(\mathbf{P}) - \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{P} \mathbb{1}_m - \mathbf{a} \rangle - \langle \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{P}^{\dagger} \mathbb{1}_n - \mathbf{b} \rangle$$

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Sinkhorn's Algorithm

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Under the mass conservation constraints:

$$\mathbf{u} \circ (\mathbf{K}\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{a}$$

$$\mathbf{v} \circ (\mathbf{K}^{\intercal}\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{u} &\leftarrow \mathbf{1}_n \\ \mathbf{v} &\leftarrow \mathbf{1}_m \\ \mathbf{P} &\leftarrow \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{u}) \mathbf{K} \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{v}) \\ \mathbf{while} \ \mathbf{P} \ \operatorname{change} \ \mathbf{do} \\ \mathbf{u} &\leftarrow \frac{\mathbf{a}}{\mathbf{K}\mathbf{v}} \\ \mathbf{v} &\leftarrow \frac{\mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{u}} \\ \mathbf{P} &\leftarrow \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{u}) \mathbf{K} \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{v}) \\ \mathbf{end} \ \mathbf{while} \end{split}$$

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SUGGESTED KERNEL

Definition

Theorem 4. Let $F: [0, +\infty[\to \mathbb{R} \text{ be a continuous function and } \mathcal{U} \in \mathcal{P}_{SG}(\Omega)$. If:

- 1. $F \circ \sqrt{\cdot}$ is completely monotonous on $[0, +\infty[$
- 2. There exist a nonnegative Borel measure ν on $[0, +\infty[$ such that for $t>0, F(t)=\int_0^{+\infty}e^{-ut^2}\,d\nu(u)$

Then

$$K \colon \mathcal{P}_{SG}(\Omega) \times \mathcal{P}_{SG}(\Omega) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(P,Q) \longmapsto F\left(\|g_{\mathcal{U}}^P - g_{\mathcal{U}}^Q\|_{L^2(\mathcal{U})}\right)$$

is a positive definite kernel on $\mathcal{P}_{SG}(\Omega)$.

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Proposition 1. Let $s \in \mathbb{N}$. Assume that Ω is compact and let $P, Q \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$. Then there exists a constant c, depending on the dimension, such that

$$\|g_{\mathcal{U}}^{P} - g_{\mathcal{U}}^{Q}\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{U})} \le c \times \|P - Q\|_{s}$$

Remark: There exists another property than assures that, under specific assumptions, the distributions P and Q are equal if and only if

$$\|g_{\mathcal{U}}^{P} - g_{\mathcal{U}}^{Q}\|_{L^{2}(\mathcal{U})} = 0$$

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We consider two empirical distributions: $P_n=rac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n\delta_{X_i}$ and $Q_m=rac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^m\delta_{Y_i}$

Proposition 2. If F is continuous, then

$$F\left(\|g_{\mathcal{U}}^{P_n} - g_{\mathcal{U}}^{Q_m}\|_{L^2(\mathcal{U})}\right) \xrightarrow[n,m \to +\infty]{a.s} F\left(\|g_{\mathcal{U}}^P - g_{\mathcal{U}}^Q\|_{L^2(\mathcal{U})}\right)$$

Remark: This allows one to use this kernel on samples of distributions with theoretical guaranties.

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Generating the data

Training and test samples

$$(m_1, m_2) \sim (\mathcal{U}(-0.3, 0.3))^2$$

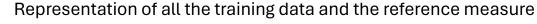
$$\sigma^2 \sim \mathcal{U}(0.0001, 0.0004)$$

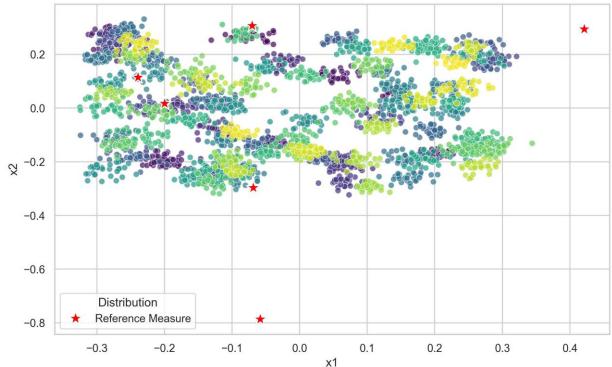
$$P \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\left(m_1, m_2\right), \sigma^2 I_2\right)$$

$$Y = \frac{\left(m_1 + 0.5 - \left(m_2 + 0.5\right)^2\right)}{1 + \sigma}$$

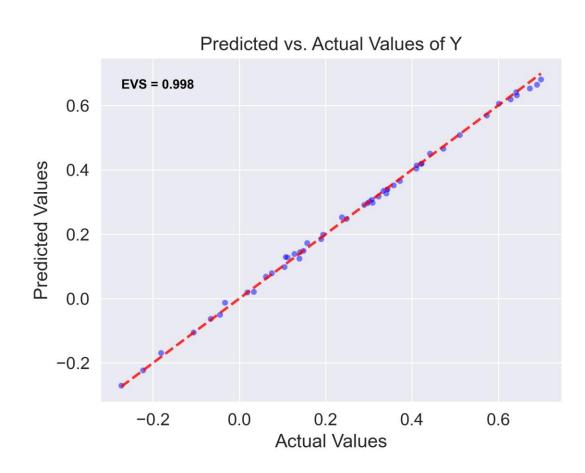
Reference measure

$$U \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\left(0,0\right), 0.1I_2\right)$$

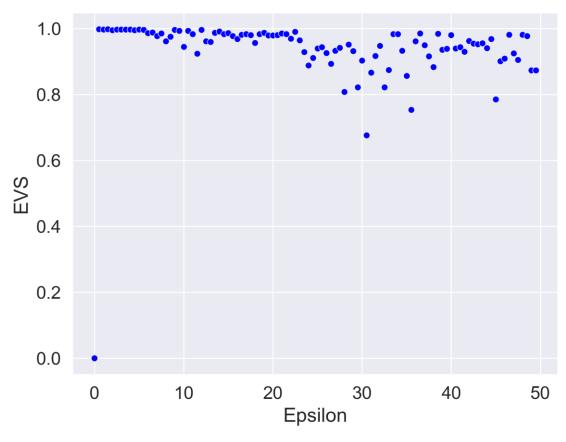




Performing Kernel Ridge Regression



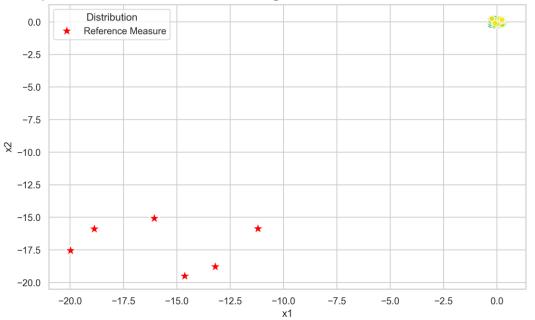
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Performance of the KRR, on the test set, as a function of epsilon 51

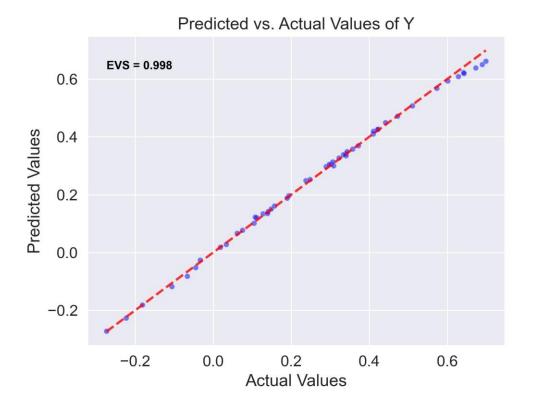
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Representation of all the training data and the reference measure



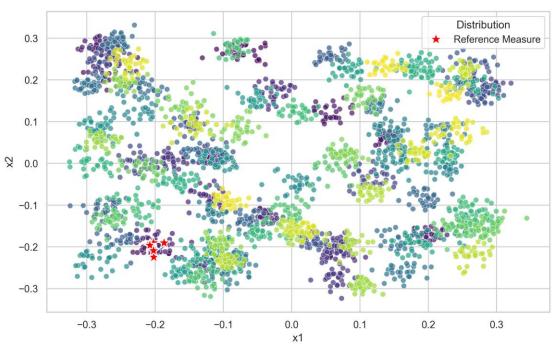
$$U \sim \mathcal{U}\left(-20, -10\right)^2$$

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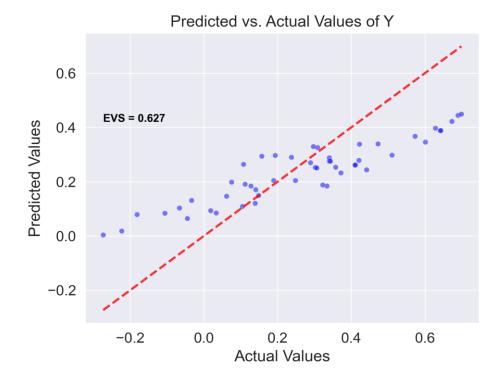
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 $U \sim \mathcal{N}((-0.2, -0.2), 0.0001I_2)$

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CONCLUSION

- Optimal transport is a great theoretical framework to compare distributions
- Defining a kernel on optimal transport object enables to compare distributions accurately
- All kernel methods are thereby available once such a kernel is constructed
- On a toy experiment we observe great performances (of the model and in computation term).
- Optimizing the reference measure is a key aspect to ensure good performances
- Computation does not scale well on bigger datasets

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