Study of Optimal transport mapping via input convex neural networks

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Context

 μ, ν probability distributions on \mathbb{R}^d .

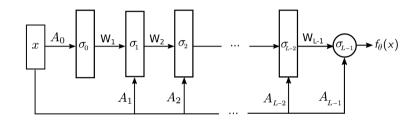
- Monge: $\min_{T\mid T_{\#}\mu=\nu}\int_{\mathbb{R}^d}c(x,T(x))d\mu(x).$
- ullet Kantorovitch: $W_2^2(\mu,
 u) = \min_{\gamma \in \Pi(\mu,
 u)} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d imes \mathbb{R}^d} c(x,y) d\gamma(x,y).$
- Dual:

$$W_2^2(\mu,
u) = \sup_{\substack{f \text{ convex } g \\ f^* \in L^1(
u)}} \inf_{g \text{ convex }} \mathcal{V}_{\mu,
u}(f, g) + \mathcal{C}_{\mu,
u},$$

with
$$\mathcal{V}_{\mu,\nu}(f,g) = -\mathbb{E}_{\mu}\left[f(X)\right] - \mathbb{E}_{\nu}\left[\langle Y, \nabla g(Y) \rangle - f\left(\nabla g(Y)\right)\right].$$

Theorem: if (f,g) is optimal, and μ has a density w.r.t. Lebesgue measure, then ∇f solve Monge problem.

Input Convex Neural Networks (ICNN)



- All coefficients of the weight matrices W_l are non-negative.
- The activation functions σ_I are convex for $I=0,\ldots,L-1$.
- The activation functions σ_I are non-decreasing for $I=1,\ldots,L-1$.

Then $x \mapsto f_{\theta}(x)$ is convex.



The problem

$$W_{2}^{2}(\mu,\nu) = \sup_{\substack{f \text{ convex} \\ f^{*} \in L^{1}(\nu)}} \inf_{g \text{ convex}} \left(-\mathbb{E}_{\mu} \left[f(X) \right] - \mathbb{E}_{\nu} \left[\langle Y, \nabla g(Y) \rangle - f \left(\nabla g(Y) \right) \right] \right) + C_{\mu,\nu}$$

is thus approximated by

$$\sup_{f\in\mathsf{ICNN}(\mathbb{R}^d)}\inf_{g\in\mathsf{ICNN}(\mathbb{R}^d)}\left(-\mathbb{E}_{\mu}\left[f(X)\right]-\mathbb{E}_{\nu}\left[\left\langle Y,\nabla g(Y)\right\rangle-f\left(\nabla g(Y)\right)\right]\right)+C_{\mu,\nu},$$

with
$$C_{\mu,
u} = rac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mu, Y \sim
u} \left[\|X\|_2^2 + \|Y\|_2^2
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Require: Samples from \mu and \nu, batch size M, generator iterations K, total iterations T
  for t = 1 to T do
     for k = 1 to K do
        Sample \{X_i\}_{i=1}^{M} \sim \mu, \{Y_i\}_{i=1}^{M} \sim \nu
        Update g to minimize J using Adam
     end for
     Sample \{X_i\}_{i=1}^{M} \sim \mu, \{Y_i\}_{i=1}^{M} \sim \nu
     Update f to maximize J using Adam
     w \leftarrow \max(w, 0) for all coefficients w of W_l in \theta_f, l = 1, \ldots, L-1
  end for
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$$J(\theta_f, \theta_g) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left(f\left(\nabla g(Y_i) \right) - \langle Y_i, \nabla g(Y_i) \rangle - f(X_i) \right) + \lambda \sum_{W_l \in \theta_g} \| \max(-W_l, 0) \|_{\mathcal{F}}^2. \tag{1}$$

Theoretical guarantees

$$arepsilon_1(f,g) = \mathcal{V}_{\mu,
u}(f,g) - \inf_{ ilde{g} ext{ convex}} \mathcal{V}_{\mu,
u}(f, ilde{g})$$
 $arepsilon_2(f) = \sup_{ ilde{f} ext{ convex}} \inf_{ ilde{g} ext{ convex}} \mathcal{V}_{\mu,
u}(ilde{f}, ilde{g}) - \inf_{ ilde{g} ext{ convex}} \mathcal{V}_{\mu,
u}(f, ilde{g}).$

Theorem: Assume ν has a density with respect to Lebesgue measure, and let ∇g^* be the optimal transport from ν to μ .

Then for any (f,g) such that f is α -strongly convex, the following holds:

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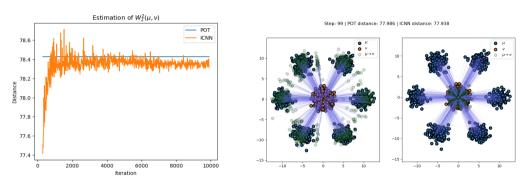


Figure: Gaussian mixture with 6 components, and Gaussian distribution. Estimated distance and optimal transport.



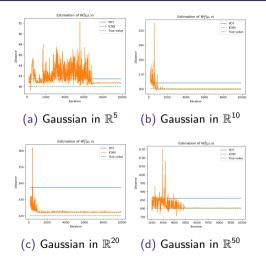
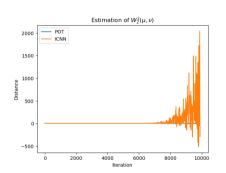


Figure: Translated Gaussian distributions in higher dimensions.





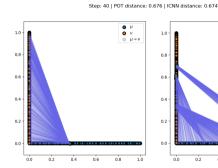


Figure: μ and ν without density (true value: $\frac{2}{3}$)



0 μ → ν

0.4 0.6 0.8

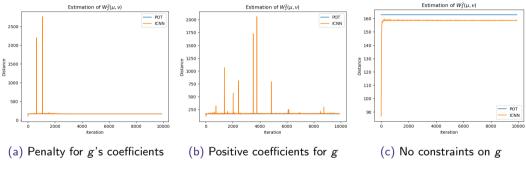


Figure: Impact of enforcing positivity of g's coefficients



Conclusion

- Can be slow
- Not always stable: need to carefully tune hyperparameters
- The choice of hyperparameters is not discussed in the paper
- Scalable to high dimensions and large datasets
- Easy to implement
- Some theoretical guarantees



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