

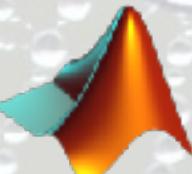
Numerical Optimal Transport

<http://optimaltransport.github.io>

Algorithmic Foundations

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Overview

- Linear Programming
- PDE-based
- Semi-discrete (dedicated part)
- Sinkhorn (dedicated part)

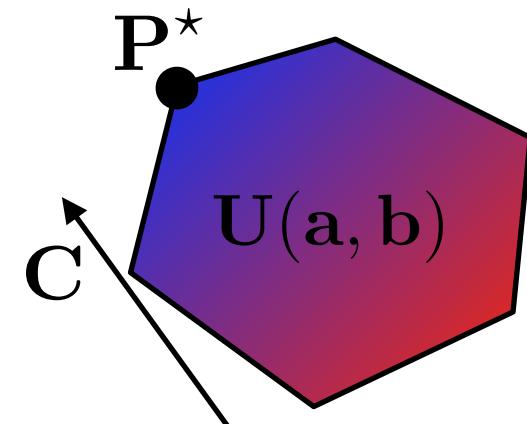
Linear Programming

Transportation polytope:

$$\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \left\{ \mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n \times m} ; \mathbf{P}\mathbf{1}_n = \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{P}^\top \mathbf{1}_m = \mathbf{b} \right\}$$

Linear program:

$$\min \left\{ \sum_{i,j} \mathbf{P}_{i,j} \mathbf{C}_{i,j} ; \mathbf{P} \in U(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) \right\}$$



Theorem: $\exists \mathbf{P}^*$ solution extremal point of $\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$

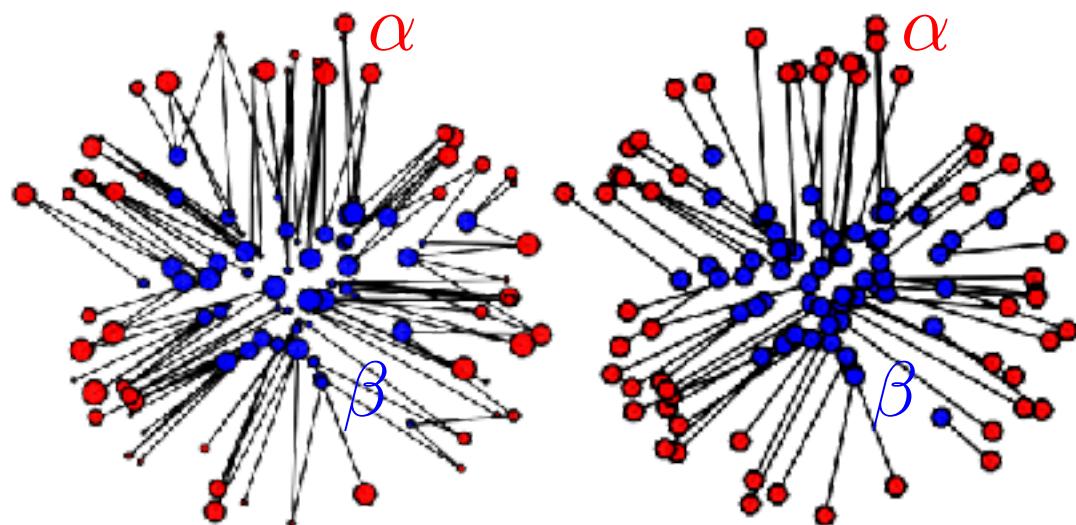
$$| \{(i, j) ; \mathbf{P}_{i,j}^* \neq 0\} | \leq n + m - 1$$



Dantzig

Example: if $n = n$, $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{1}/n$, \mathbf{P}^* permutation matrix.

→ up to $n!$ extremal points.



Interior Point Methods

Linear programming:

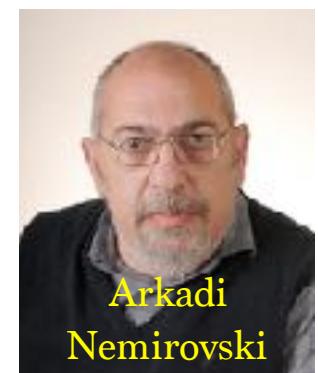
$$x_0 \in \operatorname{argmin}_x \{ \langle x, c \rangle ; i = 1, \dots, m, \langle a_i, x \rangle \leq b_i \}$$

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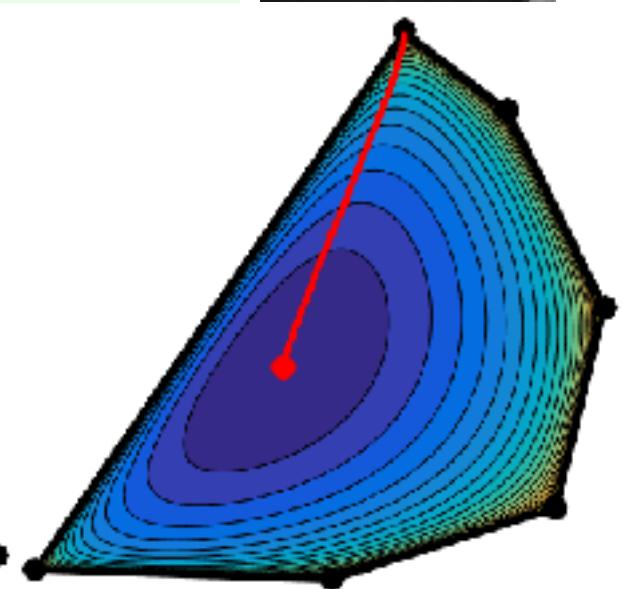
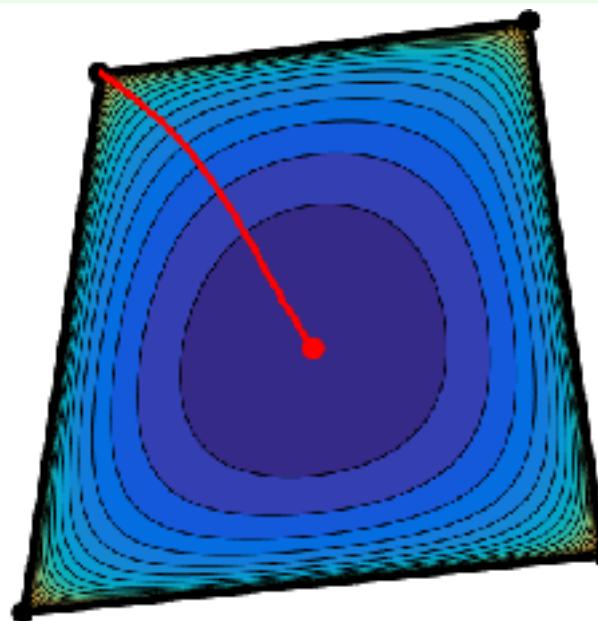
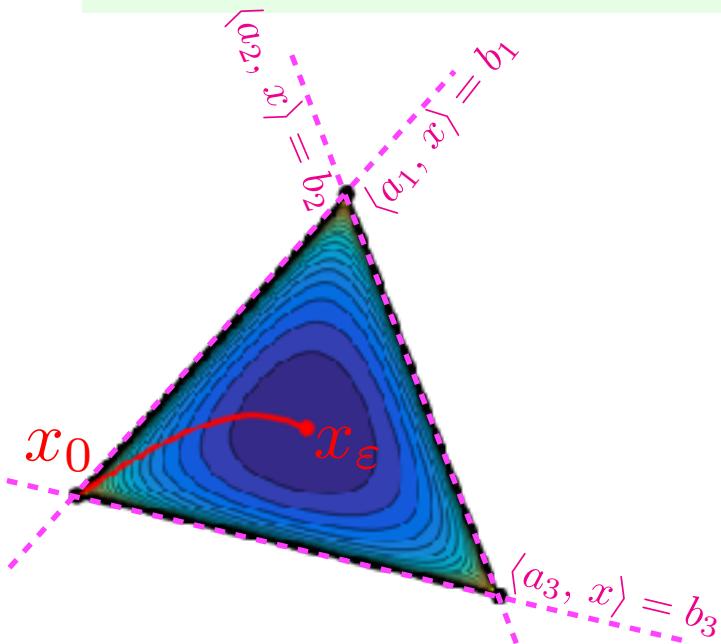
Log-barrier approximation:

$$x_\varepsilon \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \operatorname{argmin}_x \langle x, c \rangle - \varepsilon \sum_i \log(b_i - \langle a_i, x \rangle)$$

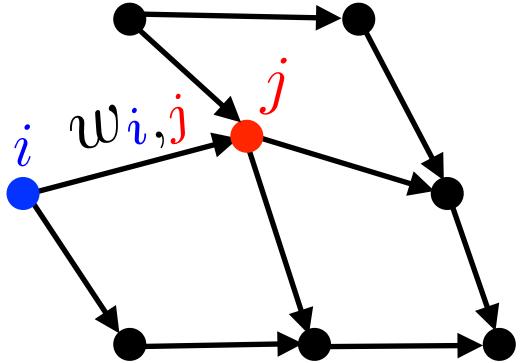


Interior point method:

$O(\sqrt{m} \log(\frac{m}{\tau}))$ Newton iterations computes feasible \hat{x}_ε with $\langle \hat{x}_\varepsilon - x_0, c \rangle \leq \tau$



Network Flow



Divergence on a graph:

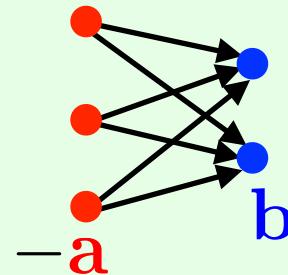
$$\text{div}(\mathbf{s})_i \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \sum_{(i,k) \in G} \mathbf{s}_{i,k} - \sum_{(k,i) \in G} \mathbf{s}_{k,i}$$

Min-cost flow:

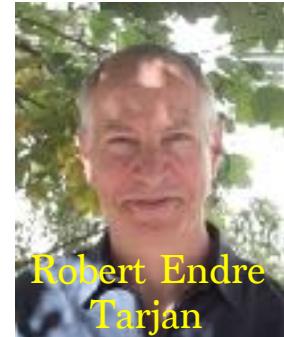
$$\min_{\mathbf{s} \geq 0} \{ \langle \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{w} \rangle ; \text{div}(\mathbf{s}) = h \}$$

Optimal transport: bi-partite graph.

$$w_{i,j} = \mathbf{C}_{i,j} \quad h = (-\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$$



Theorem: on a graph with E edges and V vertices,
 \exists a network simplex algorithm of complexity
 $O(VE \log V \log(V\|\mathbf{C}\|_\infty))$ if $\mathbf{C}_{i,j} \in \mathbb{Z}$.



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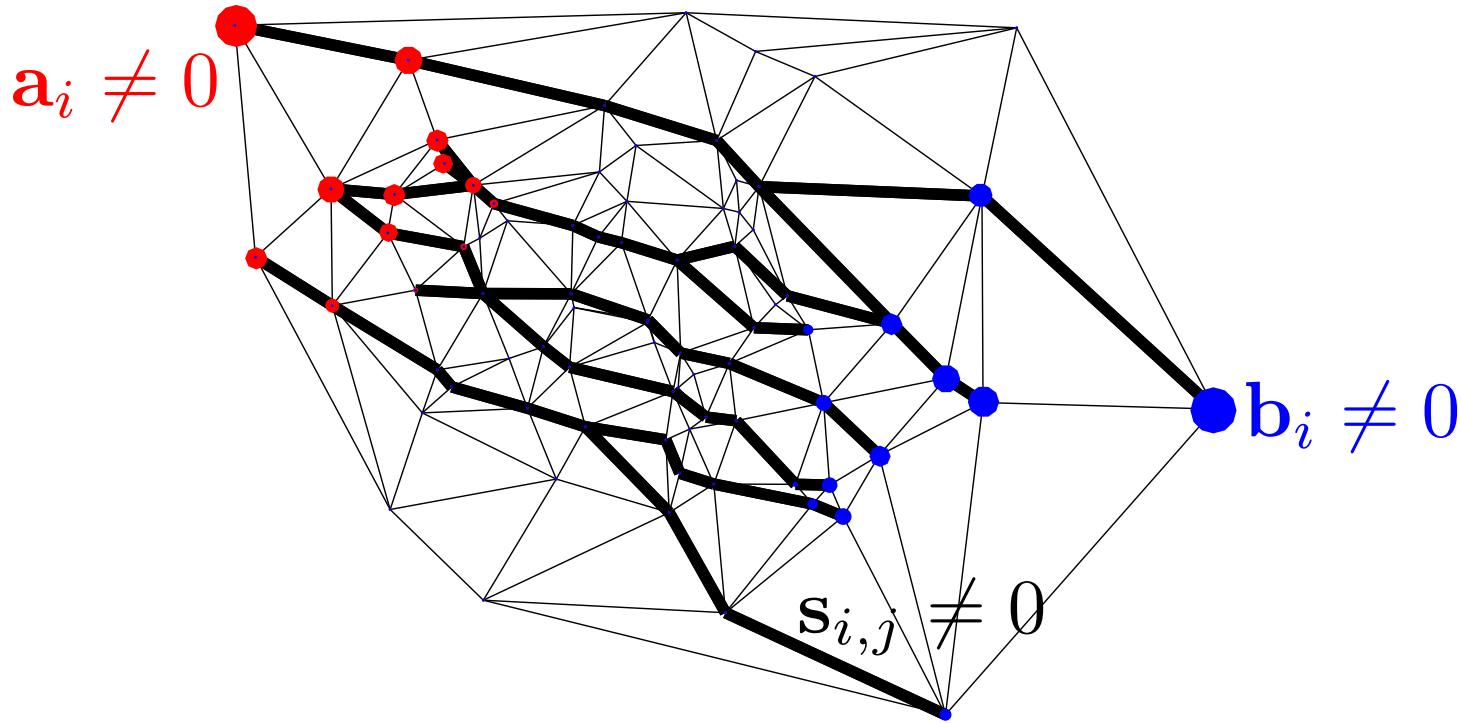
OT simplex: $n = m$, complexity $O(n^3 \log(n)^2)$.

W₁ as a Reduced Min-cost Flows

$$C_{i,j} = \text{GeodDist}_{\mathbf{w}}(i, j)$$

Proposition:
[Beckmann]

$$W_1(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) = \min_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{R}_+^{\mathcal{E}}} \left\{ \sum_{(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}} \mathbf{w}_{i,j} s_{i,j} : \text{div}(\mathbf{s}) = \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} \right\}$$



Network simplex, $E, V = O(n)$ (e.g. regular graph):

W_p in $O(n^3 \log(n)^2)$

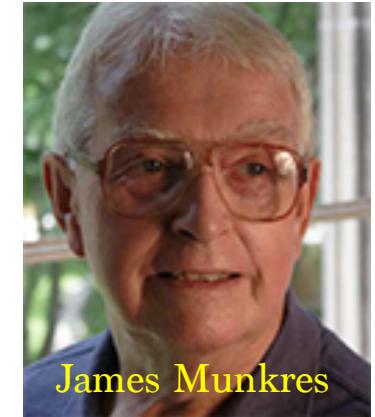


W_1 in $O(n^2 \log(n)^2)$

W1 as a Reduced Min-cost Flows

$$d = \|\cdot\|, p = 1 : W_1(\mu, \nu) = \min_{\text{div}(v) = \mu - \nu} \int \|u(x)\| dx \rightarrow \text{max-flow}.$$

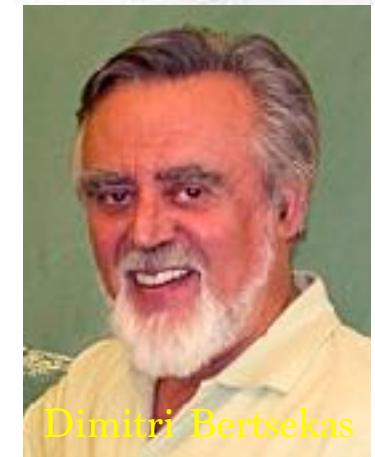
Hungarian and Auction Algorithms



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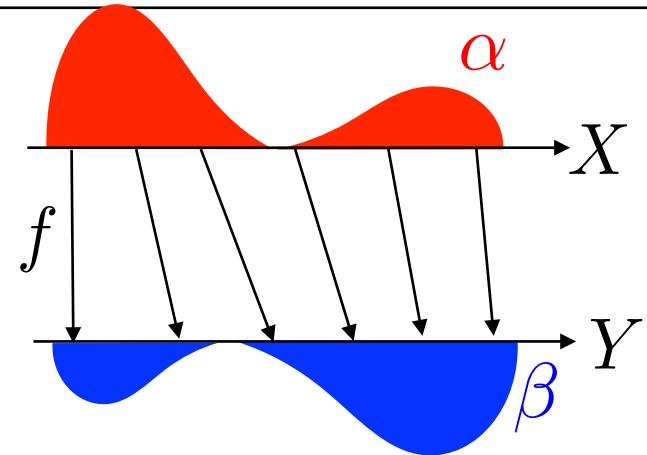
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Monge-Ampère equation

$$\min_{\beta = f_\# \alpha} \int_X \|x - f(x)\|^2 d\alpha(x)$$

Densities: $\frac{d\alpha}{dx} = \rho_\alpha, \frac{d\beta}{dx} = \rho_\beta$

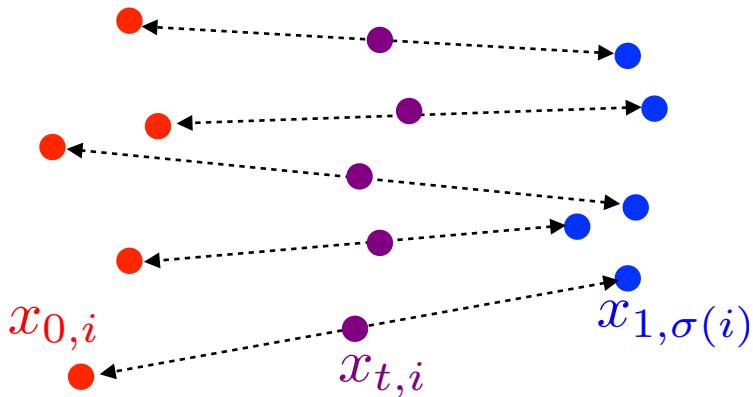


Theorem: [Brenier] Unique $f = \nabla \varphi$ solving

$$\det(\partial^2 \varphi(x)) \rho_\beta(\nabla \varphi(x)) = \rho_\alpha(x) \quad \varphi \text{ convex}$$

- Finite-elements / finite-differences discretization of the cone of convex functions.
- non-classical boundary conditions.

Displacement Interpolation



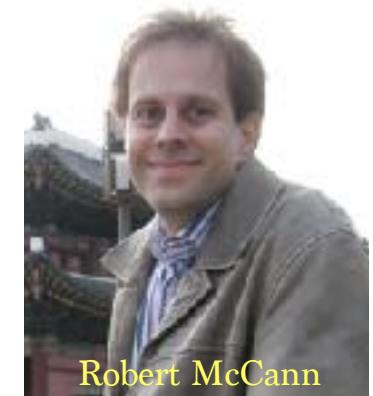
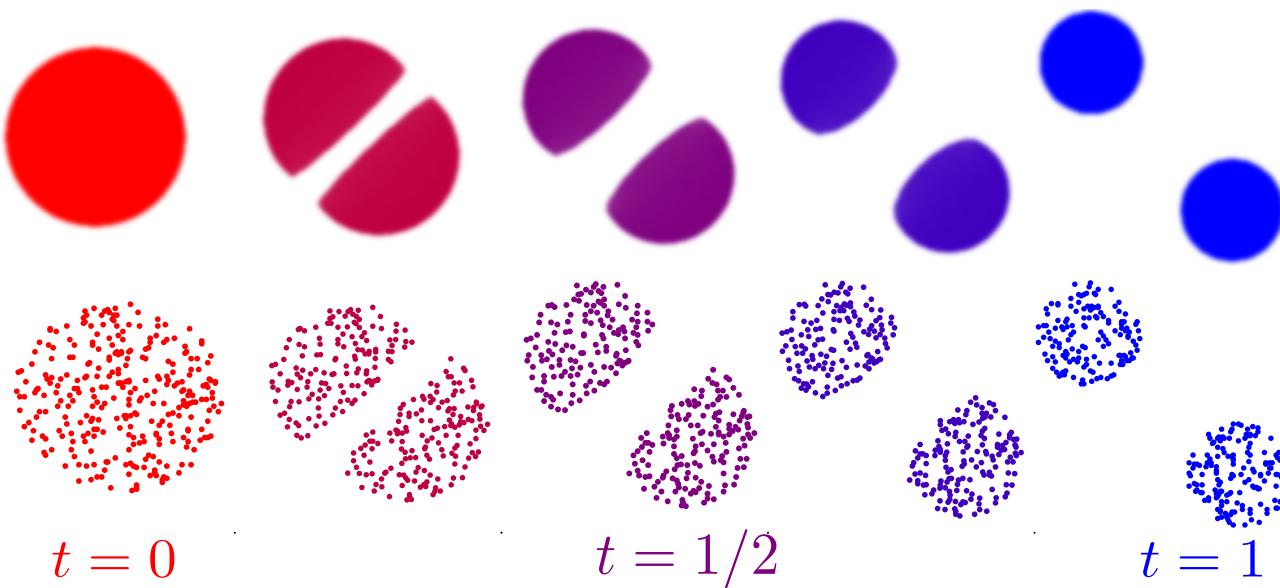
Optimal assignment: $\min_{\sigma} \|\textcolor{blue}{x}_0 - \textcolor{red}{x}_1 \circ \sigma\|$

Displacement interpolation: $\alpha_t \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \delta_{\textcolor{violet}{x}_{t,i}}$
 $x_t = (1-t)\textcolor{red}{x}_0 + t\textcolor{blue}{x}_1 \circ \sigma$

Monge map $\psi_{\sharp}\alpha = \beta$:

$$\alpha_t \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} ((1-t)\text{Id} + t\psi)_{\sharp}\alpha = (t\text{Id} + (1-t)\psi^{-1})_{\sharp}\beta$$

Optimal coupling $\pi \in \mathcal{U}(\alpha, \beta)$: $\alpha_t \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} ((1-t)P_{\mathcal{X}} + tP_{\mathcal{Y}})_{\sharp}\pi$



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Conclusion: Toward High-dimensional OT

Monge



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