

Neural Optimal Transport Auto-encoders

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https://github.com/sverdoot/NOT_AE

Optimal Transport formulations 🚕

Let $c : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a **cost** function.

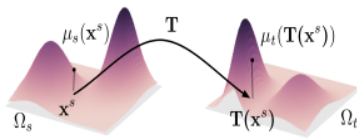
Monge's formulation:

$$\text{Cost}(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q}) = \inf_{T: \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}} \int_{\mathcal{X}} c(x, T(x)) d\mathbb{P}(x)$$

Kantorovich formulation:

$$\text{Cost}(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q}) = \inf_{\pi \in \Pi(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q})} \int_{\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}} c(x, y) d\pi(x, y)$$

if minimizer π^* is deterministic (i.e. $\pi^*(x) = [x, T^*(x)]_{\#} \mathbb{P}$) then T^* is a solution of Monge's OT formulation



Weak Optimal Transport

Let $C : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{Y}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a **weak cost** function.

$$\text{Cost}(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q}) = \inf_{\pi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{Y})} \int_{\mathcal{X}} C(x, \pi(\cdot | x)) d\mathbb{P}(x)$$

Weak formulation generalizes the strong with

$$C(x, \mu) = \int_{\mathcal{Y}} c(x, y) d\mu(y).$$

Dual formulation:

$$\text{Cost}(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q}) = \sup_f \int_{\mathcal{X}} f^C(x) d\mathbb{P}(x) + \int_{\mathcal{Y}} f(y) d\mathbb{Q}(y),$$

$$\text{where } f^C(x) = \inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{Y})} \left\{ C(x, \mu) - \int_{\mathcal{Y}} f(y) d\mu(y) \right\}$$

"one-to-one" transport plan learning

Assume the optimal plan is deterministic, i.e. $\pi^*(x) = [x, T^*(x)]_{\#}\mathbb{P}$. For $C(x, \mu) = \int_{\mathcal{Y}} c(x, y) d\mu(y)$

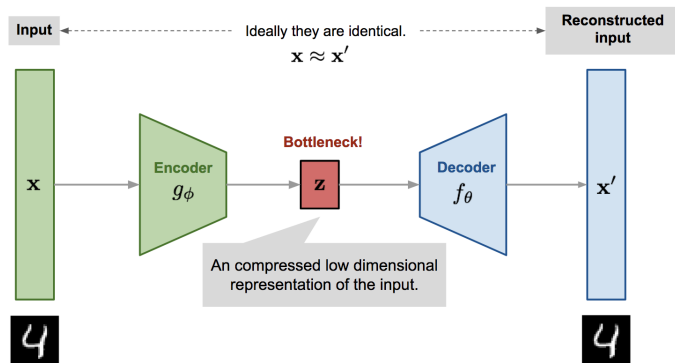
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cost}(\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{Q}) &= \sup_f \left[\int_{\mathcal{X}} \inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{Y})} \left\{ \int_{\mathcal{Y}} c(x, y) d\mu(y) - \int_{\mathcal{Y}} f(y) d\mu(y) \right\} d\mathbb{P}(x) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. \int_{\mathcal{Y}} f(y) d\mathbb{Q}(y) \right] = \\ &= \sup_f \inf_T \left[\int_{\mathcal{X}} \{c(x, T(x)) - f(T(x))\} d\mathbb{P}(x) + \int_{\mathcal{Y}} f(y) d\mathbb{Q}(y) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Auto-encoder setting 🦊 ↔ 🦊

We aim to formulate an auto-encoder task as an optimal transport plan from \mathbb{P} to \mathbb{P}

(the optimal transport plan is $[x, x]_{\#} \mathbb{P}$)

with explicit restriction on transport map: the intermediate dimension is smaller than $\dim(\mathcal{X})$.



Results

We measure LPIPS (perceptual similarity of original image and reconstruction) and FID ($W_2^2(\mathbb{P}_{\text{data}}, \mathbb{P}_{\text{rec}})$ in assumption that both \mathbb{P}_{data} and \mathbb{P}_{rec} are normal).

Method	Cost	test LPIPS (\downarrow)	test FID (\downarrow)
AE	L2	0.23	71.8
NOT-AE	L2	0.14	58.4
AE	L1	0.21	71.1
NOT-AE	L1	0.22	71.4

Table 1: Results on CelebA 32×32 dataset after 5k training iterations (50k backward steps of T . Intermediate dimension: 64 (48 times smaller than original))

Code for experiments with ArtBench10 dataset and Perceptual cost prepared, but results are not ready yet..

NOT - Neural Optimal Transport

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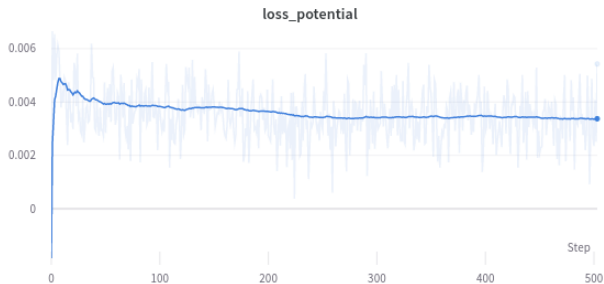
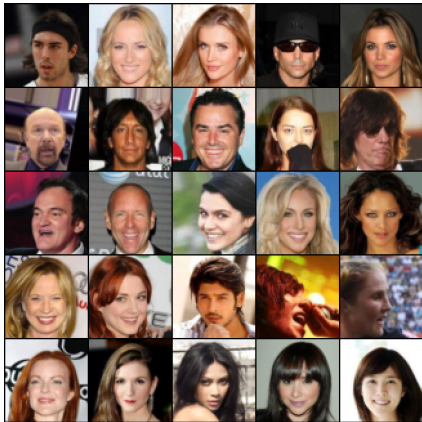


Figure 1: Potential's loss dynamic during training with L1 cost.

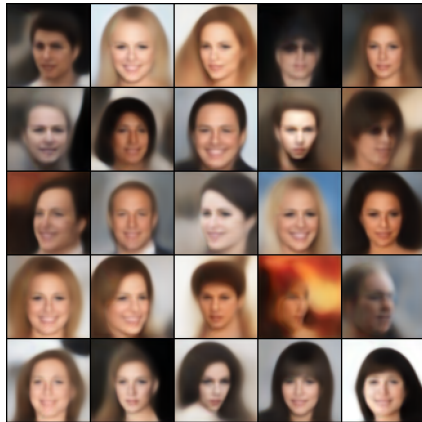
Observation: it is tough to balance stable training of map T and training of potential f (which is done by tuning of number of gradient steps for inner optimization problem)

Same problem for perceptual cost (pretrained VGG-11 as a feature encoder).

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(a) CelebA



(b) AE, L2 cost

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(a) CelebA



(b) NOT-AE, L2 cost

Roles

- ▶ Evgeny - preparing code for NOT, datasets and metrics, running experiments
- ▶ Alexey - consultations on model training, scaling experiments to run on a cluster, verification of experimental results

Thanks!