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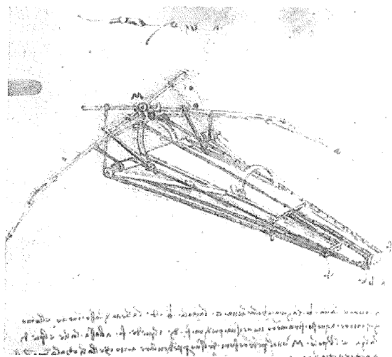
Optimal Transportation
in the
Twenty First Century

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Optimal transportation circa 1502



Leonardo da Vinci

“The great bird will take flight above the ridge... filling the universe with awe, filling all writings with its fame...”

The Monge problem 1781

Gaspard Monge:

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M É M O I R E
SUR LA
THÉORIE DES DÉBLAIS
ET DES REMBLAIS.

Par M. M O N G E.

LORSQU'ON doit transporter des terres d'un lieu dans un autre, on a coutume de donner le nom de *Déblai* au volume des terres que l'on doit transporter, & le nom de *Remblai* à l'espace qu'elles doivent occuper après le transport. Le prix du transport d'une molécule étant, toutes choses d'ailleurs égales, proportionnel à son poids & à l'espace qu'on lui fait parcourir, & par conséquent le prix du transport total devant être proportionnel à la somme des produits des molécules multipliées chacune par l'espace parcouru, il s'enfuit que le déblai & le remblai étant donnés de figure & de position, il n'est pas indifférent que telle molécule du déblai soit transportée dans tel ou tel autre endroit du remblai, mais qu'il y a une certaine distribution à faire des molécules du premier dans le second, d'après laquelle la somme de ces produits sera la moindre possible, & le prix du transport total fera un *minimum*.

Kantorovich 1942

ON THE TRANSLOCATION OF MASSES

L. V. Kantorovich*

The original paper was published in Dokl. Akad. Nauk SSSR, 37, No. 7-8, 227-229 (1942).

We assume that R is a compact metric space, though some of the definitions and results given below can be formulated for more general spaces.

Let $\Phi(\epsilon)$ be a mass distribution, i.e., a set function such that: (1) it is defined for Borel sets, (2) it is nonnegative: $\Phi(\epsilon) \geq 0$, (3) it is absolutely additive: if $\epsilon = \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 + \dots$; $\epsilon_i \cap \epsilon_k = 0$ ($i \neq k$), then $\Phi(\epsilon) = \Phi(\epsilon_1) + \Phi(\epsilon_2) + \dots$. Let $\Phi'(\epsilon')$ be another mass distribution such that $\Phi(R) = \Phi'(R)$. By definition, a translocation of masses is a function $\Psi(\epsilon, \epsilon')$ defined for pairs of (B)-sets $\epsilon, \epsilon' \in R$ such that: (1) it is nonnegative and absolutely additive with respect to each of its arguments, (2) $\Psi(\epsilon, R) = \Phi(\epsilon)$, $\Psi(R, \epsilon') = \Phi'(\epsilon')$.

Let $r(x, y)$ be a known continuous nonnegative function representing the work required to move a unit mass from x to y .

We define the work required for the translocation of two given mass distributions as

$$W(\Psi, \Phi, \Phi') = \int_R \int_R r(x, x') \Psi(d\epsilon, d\epsilon') = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i,k} r(x_i, x'_k) \Psi(\epsilon_i, \epsilon'_k), \quad \checkmark$$

where ϵ_i are disjoint and $\sum_1^n \epsilon_i = R$, ϵ'_k are disjoint and $\sum_1^m \epsilon'_k = R$, $x_i \in \epsilon_i$, $x'_k \in \epsilon'_k$, and λ is the largest of the numbers $\text{diam } \epsilon_i$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) and $\text{diam } \epsilon'_k$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots, m$).

Clearly, this integral does exist.

We call the quantity

$$W(\Phi, \Phi') = \inf_{\Psi} W(\Psi, \Phi, \Phi') \quad \checkmark$$

the minimal translocation work. Since the set of all functions $\{\Psi\}$ is compact, there exists a function Ψ_0 realizing this minimum, so that

$$W(\Phi, \Phi') = W(\Psi_0, \Phi, \Phi'),$$

although this function is not unique. We call such a translocation Ψ_0 a minimal translocation.

In what follows, we say that a translocation Ψ from x to y is nonzero and write $x \rightarrow y$ if $\Psi(U_x, U_y) > 0$ for any neighborhoods U_x and U_y of the points x and y . We call Ψ a potential translocation if there exists a function $U(x)$ such that (1) $|U(x) - U(y)| \leq r(x, y)$, (2) $U(y) - U(x) = r(x, y)$ if $x \rightarrow y$.

Then the following theorem holds.

Theorem. A translocation Ψ is minimal if and only if it is potential.

Optimal transportation today

BASIC PROBLEM

To move mass from one place to another so as to:

- ▶ preserve volume, locally with respect to given densities or measures.
- ▶ minimize (or maximize) a cost.

Monge-Kantorovich problem

DOMAINS:

$U, V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, (or Riemannian manifold)
 U : initial domain, V : target domain

DENSITIES:

$f, g \geq 0$, $f \in L^1(U), g \in L^1(V)$ respectively

MASS BALANCE:

$$\int_U f = \int_V g$$

Monge-Kantorovich problem

MASS PRESERVING MAPPINGS:

$T : U \rightarrow V$, Borel measurable,

$$\int_{T^{-1}(E)} f = \int_E g \quad \forall \text{ Borel } E \subset V$$

$$\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}(f, U; g, V)$$

= set of mass preserving mappings.

Monge-Kantorovich problem

COST FUNCTION:

$$c : U \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \text{ continuous.}$$

COST FUNCTIONAL:

$$\mathcal{C} = \int_U c(x, Tx) f(x) dx$$

The Problem

Minimize (or **maximize**) \mathcal{C} over \mathcal{T}

Remarks

1. More generally, **densities** can be replaced by **measures** μ, ν .
2. Kantorovich formulated relaxed version which permits *mass splitting*.
3. Modern parlance: T pushes $\mu (= f dx)$ forward to $\nu (= g dy)$, with $T_{\#}\mu = \nu$.

Applications

From Rachev and Ruschendorf:

Mass Transportation Problems, 1998

Econometrics

Differential geometry

Functional analysis

Information theory

Probability and statistics

Cybernetics

Linear and stochastic
programming

Matrix theory

Applications

More **recent** applications include:

Meteorology

Biological networks

Engineering design

Computing

Image processing

Traffic flow

Astrophysics

Reconstruction of the early Universe as a convex optimization problem

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ABSTRACT

We show that the deterministic past history of the Universe can be uniquely reconstructed from knowledge of the present mass density field, the latter being inferred from the three-dimensional distribution of luminous matter, assumed to be tracing the distribution of dark matter up to a known bias. Reconstruction ceases to be unique below those scales – a few Mpc – where multistreaming becomes significant. Above $6 h^{-1}$ Mpc we propose and implement an effective Monge–Ampère–Kantorovich method of unique reconstruction. At such scales the Zel'dovich approximation is well satisfied and reconstruction becomes an instance of optimal mass transportation, a problem which goes back to Monge. After discretization into N point masses one obtains an assignment problem that can be handled by effective algorithms with not more than $O(N^3)$ time complexity and reasonable CPU time requirements. Testing against N -body cosmological simulations gives over 60 per cent of exactly reconstructed points.

We apply several interrelated tools from optimization theory that were not used in cosmological reconstruction before, such as the Monge–Ampère equation, its relation to the mass transportation problem, the Kantorovich duality and the auction algorithm for optimal assignment. A self-contained discussion of relevant notions and techniques is provided.

Key words: hydrodynamics – cosmology: theory – early Universe – large-scale structure of Universe.

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MATHEMATICAL METHODS IN MEDICAL IMAGE PROCESSING

SIGURD ANGENENT, ERIC PICHON, AND ALLEN TANNENBAUM

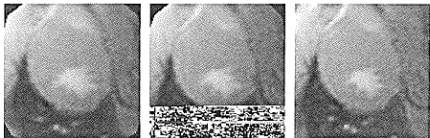
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5.2.3. *Optimal Warping.* Typically in elastic registration, one wants to see an explicit warping which smoothly deforms one image into the other. This can easily be done using the solution of the Monge–Kantorovich problem. Thus, we assume now that we have applied our gradient descent process as described above and that it has converged to the Monge–Kantorovich mapping \bar{u}_{MK} .

⋮



(a) Original Diastolic MR Image (b) Intermediate Warp: $t = .2$ (c) Intermediate Warp: $t = .4$



(d) Intermediate Warp: $t = .6$ (e) Intermediate Warp: $t = .8$ (f) Original Systolic MR Image

FIGURE 5.2. Optimal Warping of Myocardium from Diastolic to Systolic in Cardiac Cycle. These static images become much more vivid when viewed as a short animation. (Available at <http://www.bme.gatech.edu/groups/minerva/publications/papers/medicalBAMS2005.html>).

Primary Examples

1. ORIGINAL MONGE PROBLEM

$$c(x, y) = |x - y| \quad x \in U, y \in V \quad U, V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$

(Monge 1781, $n = 2$ or 3 , $f = g = 1$)

2. QUADRATIC COSTS

$$c(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}|x - y|^2 \quad x \in U, y \in V \quad U, V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$

3. REFLECTOR ANTENNA

$$c(x, y) = -\log |x - y| \quad x \in U, y \in V \quad U, V \subset \mathbb{S}^n \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$

Quadratic costs

$$c(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}|x - y|^2$$

This is equivalent to *maximizing*

$$c(x, y) = x \cdot y$$

This problem was **solved** (uniquely a.e. $\{f > 0\}$) by Knott-Smith (1984), Brenier (1987) with solution

$$T = \nabla u$$

for **convex potential** u .

Regularity - Caffarelli (1992,1996), Urbas (1997)

INTERIOR

V convex, $f, g \in C^\infty(U), C^\infty(V)$ resp.

$$\inf f, g > 0 \Rightarrow u \in C^\infty(U)$$

GLOBAL

U, V uniformly convex, $f, g \in C^\infty(\bar{U}), C^\infty(\bar{V})$

$$\inf f, g > 0 \Rightarrow u \in C^\infty(\bar{U})$$

Monge-Ampère Equation

$$\det D^2 u = \frac{f}{g \circ Du}$$

SECOND BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM

$$Tu(U) = V$$

solved by smooth diffeomorphism u

Geometric Optics

REFLECTOR ANTENNA
PROBLEM

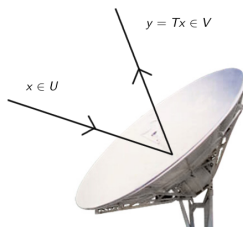
$$U, V \in S^n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$T_{\#}fdx = gdy$$

REFLECTING SURFACE:

$$\Gamma = \{xe^{-u(x)} \mid x \in U\}$$

$$Tx = x - \frac{2}{1 + |\nabla u|^2}(x + \nabla u)$$



Geometric Optics

MONGE-AMPERE EQUATION:

$$\det \left\{ \nabla^2 u + \nabla u \otimes \nabla u - \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2 g_0 + \frac{1}{2} g_0 \right\} = \left[\frac{1}{2} (1 + |\nabla u|^2) \right]^n f/g \circ T$$

INTERIOR REGULARITY: X-J WANG 1996, $n = 2$

OPTIMAL TRANSPORTATION FORMULATION: X-J Wang 2001

$$c(x, y) = -\log |x - y|$$

Solution of Monge problem

SUDAKOV 1976 (Eng. trans. 1979)

- ▶ Measure decomposition
- ▶ 178 pages
- ▶ general norms: $c(x, y) = \|x - y\|.$

EVANS-GANGBO 1999

- ▶ PDE approach, p -Laplacian, $p \rightarrow \infty$
- ▶ stronger assumptions on domains and densities.

Solution of Monge problem

TRUDINGER-WANG 2001

CAFFARELLI-FELDMAN-MCCANN 2002

- ▶ simpler proofs
- ▶ approximation by strictly convex costs
- ▶ **DRAMATIC DEVELOPMENT: Sudakov proof inadequate!**
- ▶ restored by Ambrosio for original Monge cost in lectures (2000), then published in 2003.

⇒ Monge problem finally solved at the end of the twentieth century (T-Wang, Caffarelli-Feldman-McCann)

General norms

AMBROSIO-KIRCHHEIM-PRATELLI (2004):

- ▶ Crystalline norms.

CHAMPION-DE PASCALE (2010):

- ▶ Different approach \Rightarrow strictly convex norms.

CARAVENNA (2011):

- ▶ Restored Sudakov decomposition for strictly convex norms.

Monge-Sudakov problem, for strictly convex norms, finally solved at end of first decade !
(Champion-de Pascale, Caravenna)

- ▶ Extension to general convex norm (Champion - De Pascale 2011).

Kantorovich potentials

KANTOROVICH DUAL PROBLEM:

Maximise

$$J(u, v) := \int_U fu + \int_V gv$$

over the set

$$K = \left\{ u, v \in C^0(\mathbb{R}^n) \mid u(x) + v(y) \leq c(x, y) \quad \forall x \in U, y \in V \right\}$$

with

$$J(u, v) \leq \mathcal{C}(T) \quad \forall (u, v) \in K, T \in \mathcal{T}$$

Kantorovich potentials

ASSUME: $c_x(x, \cdot)$ is one-to-one for all x .

$\Rightarrow \exists$ solutions u, v , Lipschitz, with u uniquely determined a.e. $\{f > 0\}$, such that

$$Tx = c_x^{-1}(x, \cdot)(Du)$$

solves associated Monge-Kantorovich problem.

Moreover u and v are dual, in particular,

$$v(y) = \inf_{x \in U} \{c(x, y) - u(x)\}, \quad c - \text{transform}$$

$$u(x) = \inf_{y \in V} \{c(x, y) - v(y)\}, \quad c^* - \text{transform}$$

Special case: $c(x, y) = c(x - y)$, strictly convex, Gangbo-McCann, Caffarelli (1996).

Nonlinear partial differential equations

MONGE-AMPÈRE TYPE EQUATION:

$$\det \left[D^2 u - A(\cdot, Du) \right] = B(\cdot, Du)$$

OPTIMAL TRANSPORTATION: Assume $\det D_{x,y}^2 c \neq 0$

$$A(x, p) = D_x^2 c(x, Y(x, p)) \quad , \quad Y(x, p) = c_x^{-1}(x, \cdot)(p)$$

$$B(x, p) = |\det D_{x,y}^2 c| f/g \circ Y$$

Nonlinear partial differential equations

MONGE-AMPÈRE TYPE EQUATION:

$$\det \left[D^2 u - A(\cdot, Du) \right] = B(\cdot, Du)$$

OPTIMAL TRANSPORTATION:

For convenience let $c, u \rightarrow -c, -u$.

Assume $\det D_{x,y}^2 c \neq 0$

Then a Kantorovich potential $u \in C^2(U)$ satisfies MAE with

$$A(x, p) = D_x^2 c(x, Y(x, p)) \quad , \quad Y(x, p) = c_x^{-1}(x, \cdot)(p)$$

$$B(x, p) = |\det D_{x,y}^2 c| f/g \circ Y$$

Nonlinear partial differential equations

Moreover since any potential u is c -convex, i.e. $\forall x_0 \in U, \exists y_0 \in \bar{V}$ such that

$$u(x) - u(x_0) \geq c(x, y_0) - c(x_0, y_0)$$

we have

$$D^2 u \geq A(\cdot, Du)$$

if $u \in C^2(\Omega)$, i.e. MAE is degenerate elliptic w.r.t. u .

Special case, $c(x, y) = x \cdot y$, $A \equiv 0$

- ▶ c -convex = convex
- ▶ $D^2 u \geq 0$ = locally convex

The regularity problem

For what cost function and domains are there smooth (or diffeomorphism) solutions for smooth positive densities?

Villani, Topics in Optimal Transportation, 2003:

“Without any doubt, the main open problem is to derive regularity estimates for more general transportation costs,... At the moment nothing is known concerning the smoothness of the solutions to these equations, beyond the regularity properties that automatically follow from c -concavity”

Condition A3 (Ma-T-Wang 2005)

SO FAR...

A1: $c_x(x, \cdot)$ one-to-one for all x

A2: $\det c_{x,y} \neq 0$

NOW...

A1*: $c_y(\cdot, y)$ one-to-one $\forall y$ (dual of A1)

A1, A2 $\Rightarrow A_{ij}(x, p) = c_{x_i x_j}(x, Y(x, p))$

(Recall that $c_x(x, Y(x, p)) = p$)

Condition A3

Define

$$A_{ij}^{kl}(x, p) = D_{p_k p_l} A_{ij}(x, p)$$

This leads us to

$$\text{A3 (A3w): } A_{ij}^{kl} \xi_i \xi_j \eta_k \eta_l > 0, (\geq 0) \quad \forall \xi, \eta \in \mathbb{R}^n, \text{ s.t. } \xi \cdot \eta = 0$$

- ▶ $\mathcal{A} = [A_{ij}^{kl}]$ is a 2, 2 tensor in x for each y .
- ▶ conditions A3, A3w are **symmetric in x and y** .

$$A_{ij}^{kl} = (c_{ij, k'l'} - c^{r,s} c_{ij,s} c_{r, k'l'}) c^{k', k} c^{l', l}$$

$$[c^{i,j}] = c_{x,y}^{-1}, \quad c_{ij, \dots kl} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \dots \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_l} \dots c$$

Generalized convexity

Let $c : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ be smooth, $c_x(x, \cdot)$ one-to-one for all x .

Then $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^n$, is c -convex in Ω if and only if $\forall x_0 \in \Omega$
 $\exists y_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\forall x \in \Omega$

$$u(x) \geq u_0(x) := c(x, y_0) + u(x_0) - c(x_0, y_0)$$

$u \in C^2(\Omega)$ is locally c -convex in Ω if and only if

$$D^2u \geq D_x^2 c(\cdot, Y(\cdot, Du)), \quad Y(x, p) = c_x(x, \cdot)^{-1}(p)$$

Q1 For what c and domains Ω does local c -convexity imply (global) c -convexity?

Generalized convexity

NORMAL MAPPING:

$$\begin{aligned}Tu(x_0) &= \left\{ y_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid u \geq u_0 \in \Omega \right\} \\ &\subset Y(x_0, \partial u(x_0)), \quad (= \text{a.e.})\end{aligned}$$

Q2 For what c does $Tu = Y(\cdot, \partial u)$?

CONTACT SET:

$$\Gamma = \Gamma(x_0, y_0) = \{x \in \Omega \mid u(x) = u_0(x)\}, \quad y_0 \in Tu(x_0)$$

Q3 For what c does it follow that Γ is connected?

Domain convexity

- ▶ U is convex w.r.t $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n \iff c_y(\cdot, y)(U)$ is convex in $\mathbb{R}^n, \forall y \in E$.
- ▶ U is uniformly c -convex w.r.t $E \iff c_y(\cdot, y)(U)$ is uniformly convex w.r.t $y \in E$.
- ▶ $c^*(x, y) = c(y, x) \Rightarrow$ analogous definitions for V .
- ▶ $c(x, y) = x \cdot y \Rightarrow$ usual convexity, $c_y = I$
- ▶ Small balls are uniformly convex
- ▶ Invariant under coordinate changes

Specific examples

1. POWER COSTS



$$c(x, y) = \pm \begin{cases} \frac{1}{m}|x - y|^m & , m \neq 0, 1 \\ \log |x - y| & , m = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$A(x, p) = A(p) = \mp \left\{ |p|^{\frac{m-2}{m-1}} l + (m-2)|p|^{-\frac{m}{m-1}} p \otimes p \right\}$$

+ case: A3w only for $m = 2$

- case: A3w for $-2 \leq m < 1$

A3 for $-2 < m < 1$

Specific examples

1. POWER COSTS (CTD.)

- ▶ vector field $Y(x, p) = x \pm |p|^{\frac{2-m}{m-1}} p$
- ▶ $c(x, y) = \sum |x_i - y_i|^{m_i}$, $m_i \geq 2$ satisfies A3w.

Specific examples

2. GRAPH DISTANCES

$M_f, M_g \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$, graphs of $f, g \in C^2(U), C^2(V)$ resp.

$$Df(x) \cdot Dg(y) > -1 \quad \forall x \in U, y \in V$$

$$c(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} |\hat{x} - \hat{y}|^2$$

where $\hat{x} = (x, x_{n+1}) \in M_f$, $\hat{y} = (y, y_{n+1}) \in M_g$, satisfies

$$\begin{cases} A3w & \text{if } f, g \text{ convex} \\ A3 & \text{if } f, g \text{ uniformly convex} \end{cases}$$

Specific examples

2. GRAPH DISTANCES

Examples:

- ▶ $f = \sqrt{1 + |x|^2}$, $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$
- ▶ $f = -\sqrt{1 - |x|^2}$, $U \subset B_{1/\sqrt{2}}(0)$
- ▶ $f = \epsilon|x|^2 \Rightarrow$ A3 approximation to $c(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}|x - y|^2$.
- ▶ Level sets of f are c -convex.

Specific examples

3. $c(x, y) = \sqrt{1 + |x - y|^2}$

▶ $A(x, p) = A(p) = -\sqrt{1 - |p|^2}(I - p \otimes p)$

▶ satisfies A3

▶ vector field $Y(x, p) = x + p/\sqrt{1 - |p|^2}$.

▶ Lorentzian curvature

▶ $c_\epsilon(x, y) = \sqrt{\epsilon^2 + |x - y|^2} \rightarrow$ Monge cost $|x - y|$

▶ U is c -convex w.r.t. V if $V \subset U$.

Specific examples

4. $c(x, y) = \sqrt{1 - |x - y|^2}$

▶ $A(x, p) = A(p) = \sqrt{1 + |p|^2}(I + p \otimes p)$

▶ satisfies A3

▶ vector field $Y(x, p) = x - p/\sqrt{1 + |p|^2}$.

▶ Euclidean curvature

Note: $c \rightarrow -c$ in computing Y and A

Interior regularity

THEOREM (Ma-T-Wang 2005, correction, T-Wang 2009)

- ▶ Cost function $c \in C^\infty$ satisfies A1, A1*, A2, A3.
- ▶ Domain V is c^* -convex w.r.t. U .

Densities $f, g \in C^\infty(U), C^\infty(V)$ resp. $\inf f, g > 0$

\Rightarrow optimal mapping $T \in [C^\infty(U)]^n$.

Interior regularity

THEOREM (Loeper 2009)

Densities $f \in L^p(U)$, $p > n$, $\inf g > 0$

$\Rightarrow T \in [C^{0,\alpha}]^n$ for some $\alpha > 0$.

THEOREM (Liu, improvement 2009)

$f \in L^p(\Omega)$, $p > (n+1)/2 \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{\beta(n+1)}{2n^2 + \beta(n-1)}$, $\beta = 1 - \frac{n+1}{2p}$

(sharp)

Interior regularity

THEOREM (Liu-T-Wang 2009)

$f, g \in C^{0,\alpha}(U), C^{0,\alpha}(V), 0 < \alpha < 1$

$\Rightarrow T \in [C^{1,\alpha}(U)]^n, 0 < \alpha < 1$

THEOREM (Figalli-Kim-McCann, preprint 2011)

- ▶ Cost function $c \in C^\infty$ satisfies A1, A1*, A2, A3w.
 - ▶ Domain V is uniformly c^* -convex w.r.t. U .
 - ▶ $f, g \in L^\infty, \inf 1/f, 1/g > 0$
- $\Rightarrow T \in [C^{0,\alpha}]^n$ for some $\alpha > 0$

Boundary regularity

THEOREM (T-Wang 2009, T 2013)

- ▶ Cost function $c \in C^\infty$ satisfies A1, A2, A3w
- ▶ Domains $U, V \in C^\infty$, uniformly c, c^* convex
- ▶ Densities $f, g \in C^\infty(\bar{U}), C^\infty(\bar{V})$ resp. $\inf f, g > 0$

$\Rightarrow \exists$ a unique (a.e.) optimal diffeomorphism $T \in [C^\infty(\bar{U})]^n$
given by

$$T = Y(\cdot, Du)$$

where $u \in C^\infty(\bar{U})$ is elliptic solution of PDE

$$\det[D^2u - D_x^2c(\cdot, Y(\cdot, Du))] = (\det c_{x,y})f/g \circ Y$$

Transportation in Riemannian manifolds

1. EXTRINSIC COSTS

$$c : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \times \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, M \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$

Examples:

- ▶ Light reflector problem:

$$M = S^n, c(x, y) = -\log |x - y|$$

satisfies A3.

- ▶ Quadratic cost

$$M = S^n, c(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}|x - y|^2$$

related to graph example,
satisfies A3 for $x, y > 0$.

Transportation in Riemannian manifolds

2. INTRINSIC COSTS

$$c(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}[d(x, y)]^2$$

where $d(x, y)$ is the geodesic distance between x and y .

- ▶ A3w \Rightarrow sectional curvatures ≥ 0 (Loeper 2009)
 \Rightarrow no regularity in hyperbolic manifolds.

For sphere $M = S^n$, satisfies A3 (Loeper 2009)

Not true for general ellipsoids (Figalli -Rifford-Villani 2010)

Recent developments, including relationship with cut locus:
Kim-McCann 2012, Delanoe-Ge 2010, 2011, Loeper-Villani 2010,
Figalli-Rifford-Villani 2011, 2012.

Convexity theory

Assume c satisfies A1, A1*, A2, A3w. \Rightarrow

1. Ω c -convex w.r.t $Tu(\Omega)$, u locally c -convex, $\in C^2(\Omega) \Rightarrow u$ (globally) c -convex (T-Wang 2009).
2. Normal mapping $T = Y(\cdot, \partial u)$, \iff by duality
3. Ω c -convex w.r.t $y_0 \Rightarrow$ contact set $\Gamma = \Gamma(x_0, y_0)$ is connected $\forall x_0 \in \Omega$, (Loeper 2009, T-Wang 2009, Kim-McCann 2010)
4. Sharpness: Target V c^* -convex necessary for optimal map T to be cts (Ma-T-Wang 2005).
5. Sharpness: A3w necessary for optimal map T to be cts, as well as for 2 and 3 (Loeper 2009).