

A numerical method to solve Generalized Euler Equations

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The discretized Monge-Kantorovich problem

Let's take $c_{j_1, \dots, j_N} = c(x_{j_1}, \dots, x_{j_N}) \in \otimes_1^N \mathbb{R}^M$ (M are the gridpoints used to discretize \mathbb{R}^d) then the discretized (\mathcal{MK}_N) , reads as

$$\min \left\{ \sum_{(j_1, \dots, j_N)=1}^M c_{j_1, \dots, j_N} \gamma_{j_1, \dots, j_N} \mid \sum_{j_k, k \neq i} \gamma_{j_1, \dots, j_{i-1} j_{i+1}, \dots, j_N} = \mu_{j_i}^i \right\} \quad (1)$$

and the dual problem

$$\max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j_i=1}^M u_{j_i}^i \mu_{j_i}^i \mid \sum_{k=1}^N u_{j_k}^k \leq c_{j_1, \dots, j_N} \quad \forall (j_1, \dots, j_N) \in \{1, \dots, M\}^N \right\}. \quad (2)$$

Drawbacks

- The primal has M^N unknowns and $M \times N$ linear constraints.
- The dual has $M \times N$ unknowns, but M^N constraints.

The Regularised OT problem

Numerics for the multi-marginal problem have not been extensively developed. Here, we present a numerical method to solve the regularised **(Benamou, Carlier, Cuturi, N., Peyré-'15)** optimal transport problem (let us consider, for simplicity, 2 marginals)

$$\min_{\gamma \in \mathcal{C}} \langle C, \gamma \rangle + \begin{cases} \epsilon \sum_{ij} \gamma_{ij} (\log(\gamma_{ij}) - 1) & \gamma > 0 \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} . \quad (3)$$

where C is the matrix associated to the cost, γ is the discrete transport plan and \mathcal{C} is the intersection between $\mathcal{C}_1 = \{\gamma \mid \sum_j \gamma_{ij} = \mu_i\}$ and $\mathcal{C}_2 = \{\gamma \mid \sum_i \gamma_{ij} = \nu_j\}$. The problem (3) can be re-written as

$$\min_{\gamma \in \mathcal{C}} KL(\gamma | \bar{\gamma})$$

where $KL(\gamma | \bar{\gamma}) = \sum_{i,j} \gamma_{ij} (\log \frac{\gamma_{ij}}{\bar{\gamma}_{ij}} - 1)$ is the Kullback-Leibler distance and $\bar{\gamma}_{ij} = e^{-\frac{c_{ij}}{\epsilon}}$.

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The extension to the Multi-Marginal problem

The problem (3), in the multi-marginal framework, becomes

$$\min_{\gamma \in \mathcal{C}} KL(\gamma | \bar{\gamma}) \quad (4)$$

where $KL(\gamma | \bar{\gamma}) = \sum_{i,j,k} \gamma_{ijk} (\log \frac{\gamma_{ijk}}{\bar{\gamma}_{ijk}} - 1)$ is the Kullback-Leibler distance,

$\bar{\gamma}_{ijk} = e^{-\frac{c_{ijk}}{\epsilon}}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \bigcap_{i=1}^3 \mathcal{C}_i$ (i.e. $\mathcal{C}_1 = \{\gamma \mid \sum_{j,k} \gamma_{ijk} = \mu_i^1\}$).

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$$b_j^{n+1} = \frac{\mu_j^2}{\sum_{ik} a_i^n c_k^n \bar{\gamma}_{ijk}}, \quad c_k^{n+1} = \frac{\mu_k^3}{\sum_{ij} a_i^n b_j^{n+1} \bar{\gamma}_{ijk}}, \quad a_i^{n+1} = \frac{\mu_i^1}{\sum_{jk} b_j^{n+1} c_k^{n+1} \bar{\gamma}_{ijk}}.$$

Euler Equations

In 1755 Euler introduced the equations governing the motion of an incompressible fluid flows. Take a domain $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ and an interval $I = [0, T]$ of time then we have

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = -\nabla p, \quad (5)$$

$$\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{u}) = 0, \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \partial D \quad (7)$$

where $\mathbf{u} : I \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is the velocity field and $p : I \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the pressure. Consider now the flow $g : I \times D \rightarrow D$ of the velocity field (we want to describe the motion of fluid particles in Lagrangian coordinates), then it is defined $\forall t \geq 0$ by the following ODE:

$$g(0, x) = x, \quad \partial_t g(t, x) = u(t, g(t, x)). \quad (8)$$

Remark

The incompressibility constraint $\operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} = 0$ implies

$$\det(\nabla g(t, x)) = 1 \quad \forall t \in [0, T],$$

so $g(t) := g(t, \cdot)$ belongs to the space $\mathcal{SDiff}(D)$ of orientation and measure-preserving diffeomorphisms of D .

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$$\inf \frac{T}{N} \int_D \sum_{i=1}^N |x_i - x_{i-1}|^2 d\gamma(x_1, \dots, x_N) \quad s.t. \quad (13)$$

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1D Numerical experiments

We take $D = [0, 1]$ and we plot the coupling $\gamma_{0,t} = (e_0, e_t)_{\#} \gamma$ for $t = \frac{i}{N}$
 $i = 1, \dots, N$ and $N = 32$

Figure: Generalized solution
 $h = x + \frac{1}{2} \text{mod} 1$ and $T = 1$

Figure: Generalized solution
 $h = 1 - x$ and $T = 1$.

2D Numerical experiments - Unit disk

Take $D = B_1(0) \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, then if $T = \pi$ we find that $h = -Id$. Then, if we consider the coupling $\gamma_{0,t}(x, y)$, we plot $\eta(y) = \gamma_{0,t}(\bar{x}, y)$ where \bar{x} is fixed.

2D Numerical experiments - Beltrami Flow

Beltrami flow: $u(x_1, x_2) = (-\cos(\pi x_1)\sin(\pi x_2), \sin(\pi x_1)\cos(\pi x_2))$. $g_\star = Id_{[0,1]^2}$ and g^\star is obtained by solving $\dot{g} = u$ in $[0, T]$. Then we consider the coupling $\gamma_{0,t}(x, y)$ and we plot $\eta(y) = \int_{D_k} \gamma_{0,t}(x, y) dx$ where $D_k = [k, \frac{k+1}{3}] \times [0, 1]$ $k = 0, 1, 2$.

Figure: ODE Solution for Beltrami flow $T = 0.9$.

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Figure: Generalized solution for Beltrami flow $T = \pi$.

Conclusion:

- A numerical method to solve Multi-Marginal OT problems
- We can visualize the split of mass

On-going work:

- 3D numerical simulation
- Has the entropy a physical meaning? Of course (the next time)

