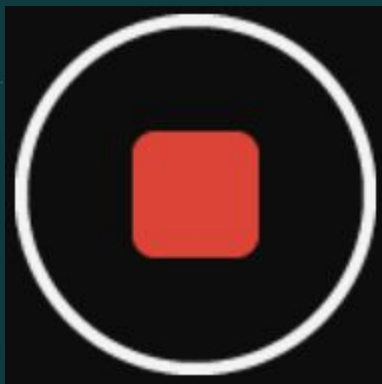


Lecture 11: Wasserstein Generative Adversarial Nets



Start Recording!

Reminders

- Office Hours tomorrow (11-12h)
- Form to fill for the project [[link](#)] (in order for me to know the number of groups)
- No lecture next week (Spring Break)

References to read for this course:

1. **WGAN:** Arjovsky, Martin, Soumith Chintala, and Léon Bottou. "Wasserstein generative adversarial networks." In *International conference on machine learning*, pp. 214-223. PMLR, 2017.
2. **WGAN-GP:** Gulrajani, Ishaan, et al. "Improved training of wasserstein gans." *NeurIPS (2017)*.
3. **SN-GAN:** Miyato, Takeru, et al. "Spectral normalization for generative adversarial networks." *ICLR (2018)*.

Improved training of wasserstein gans

I Gulrajani, F Ahmed, M Arjovsky, V Dumoulin... - arXiv preprint arXiv ..., 2017
Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) are powerful generative models, but suffer from training instability. The recently proposed Wasserstein GAN (WGAN) makes progress toward stable training of GANs, but sometimes can still generate only low-quality samples or fail to converge. We find that these problems are often due to the use of weight clipping in WGAN to enforce a Lipschitz constraint on the critic, which can lead to undesired behavior. We propose an alternative to clipping weights: penalize the norm of gradient of the critic with ...

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Wasserstein generative adversarial networks

[M Arjovsky](#), [S Chintala](#), [L Bottou](#) - ... conference on machine ..., 2017 - proceedings.mlr.press
We introduce a new algorithm named WGAN, an alternative to traditional GAN training. In this new model, we show that we can improve the stability of learning, get rid of problems like mode collapse, and provide meaningful learning curves useful for debugging and hyperparameter searches. Furthermore, we show that the corresponding optimization problem is sound, and provide extensive theoretical work highlighting the deep connections to different distances between distributions.

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GANs

DC-GAN

BigGAN

SN-GAN

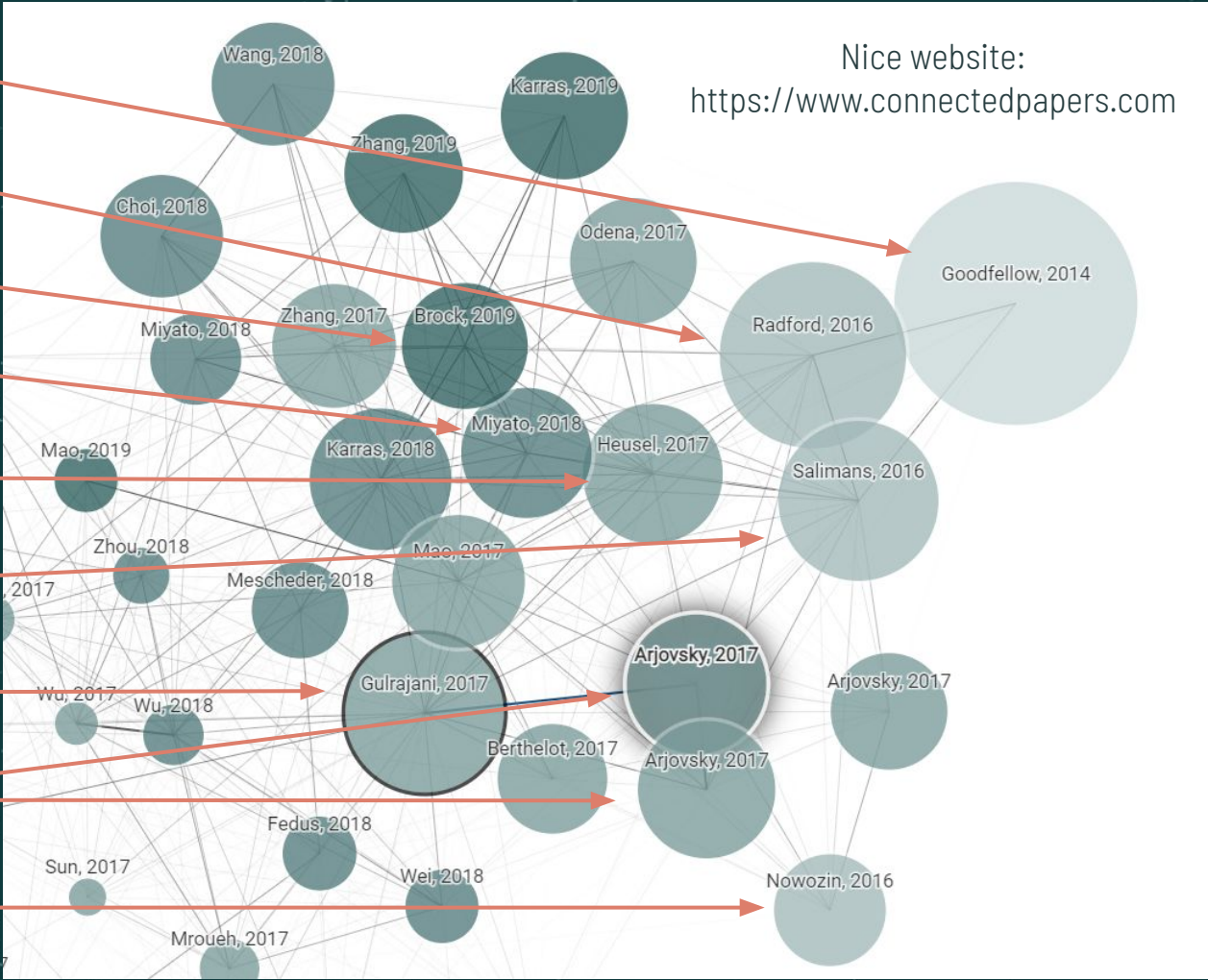
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Inception Score

WGAN-GP

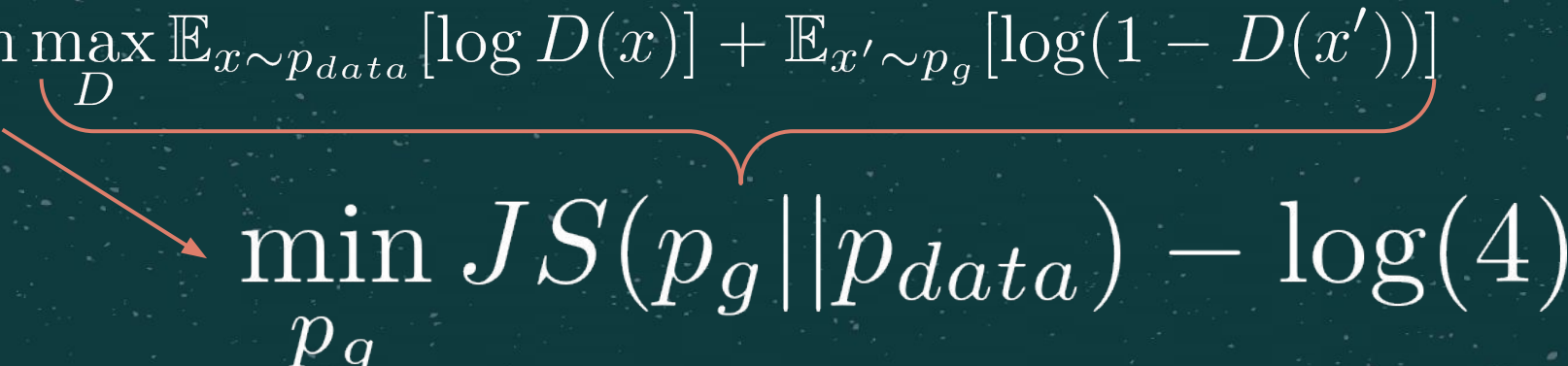
WGAN

f-GANs



Wasserstein GAN

- Proposed by Arjovsky et al. [2017]
- Divergence minimization perspective:
- Standard GAN formulation correspond to minimizing the KL:

$$\min_{p_g} \max_D \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} [\log D(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{x' \sim p_g} [\log(1 - D(x'))]$$

$$\min_{p_g} JS(p_g || p_{data}) - \log(4)$$

Wasserstein GAN

- Proposed by Arjovsky et al. [2017]
- Motivated by the comparisons of “distance” between distributions:

$$KL(p||q) = \int_x \log\left(\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}\right)p(x)dx$$

$$JS(p||q) := KL(p||\frac{p+q}{2}) + KL(q||\frac{p+q}{2})$$

$$W(p, q) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(p, q)} \mathbb{E}_{(x, y) \sim \gamma} [\|x - y\|]$$

W: “Earth mover distance”

Optimal Transport

Full Books about optimal Transport:

Villani, Cédric. *Optimal transport: old and new*. Vol. 338. Springer Science & Business Media, 2008.

Field medalist

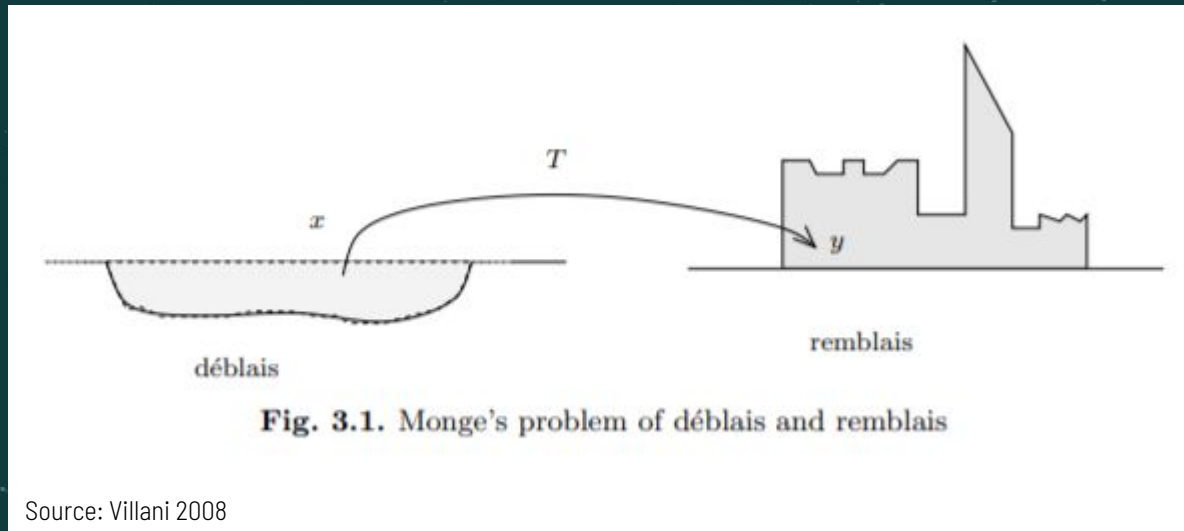


Optimal Transport for ML:

Peyré, Gabriel, and Marco Cuturi. "Computational optimal transport: With applications to data science." *Foundations and Trends® in Machine Learning* 11.5-6 (2019): 355-607.

Optimal Transport

Originally formulated by Monge (1781)



More examples in Villani [2008] Section 3

Monge Formulation (discrete case)

Initial Distribution

$$\alpha := \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \delta_{x_i}$$

Target Distribution

$$\beta := \sum_{j=1}^m q_j \delta_{y_j}$$



$$T : \{x_i\} \mapsto \{y_j\}$$

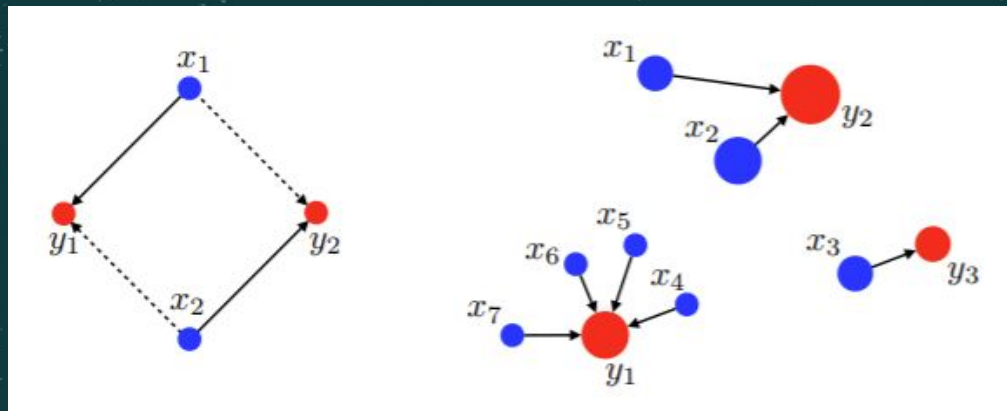
$$q_j = \sum_{i: T(x_i)=y_j} p_i$$

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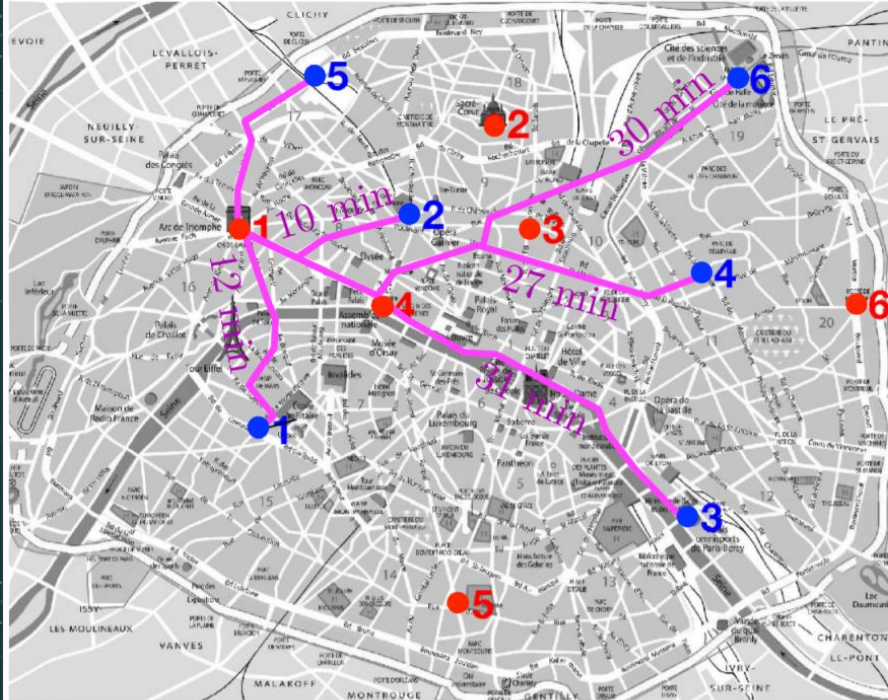
Mathematical Formulation (discrete case)

$$\min_T \sum_{i=1}^n c(x_i, T(x_i))$$

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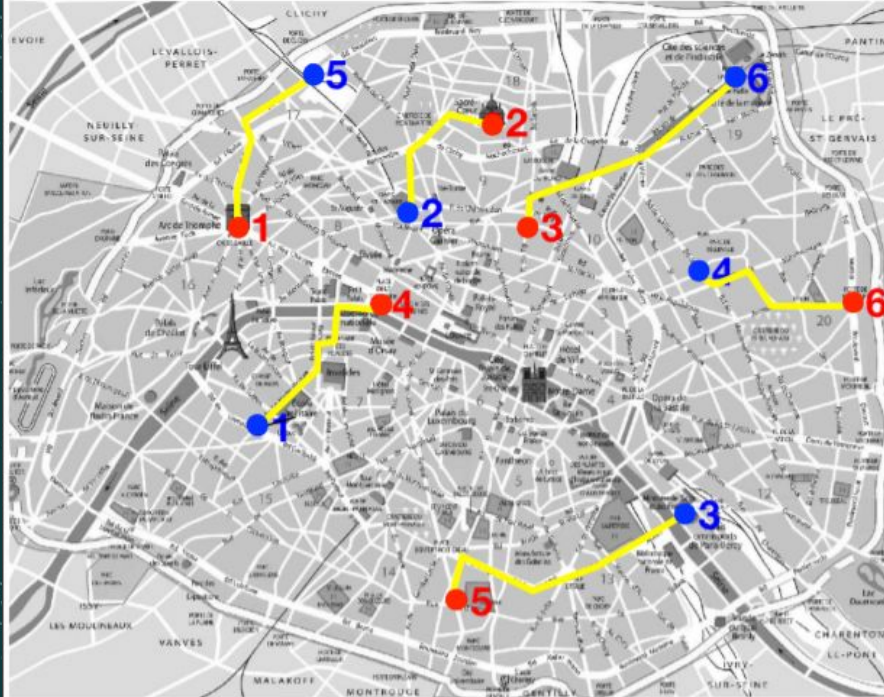
Fom bakeries to cafés



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X_2	22	7	25	15	11	14
X_3	19	7	19	10	15	15
X_4	10	6	21	19	14	24
X_5	15	23	14	24	31	34
X_6	35	26	16	9	34	15

Source: <https://optimaltransport.github.io/slides/>

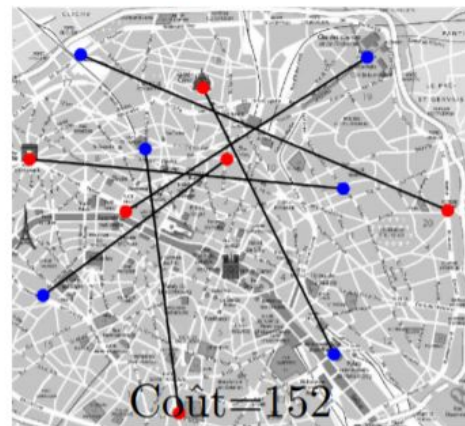
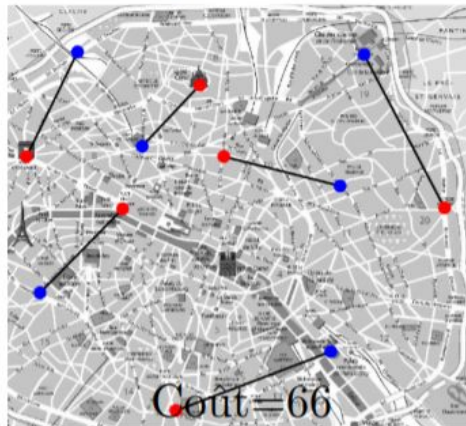
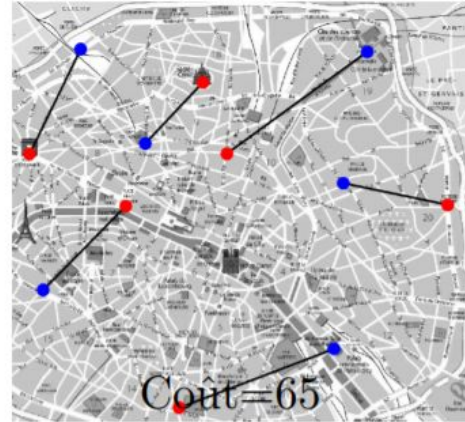
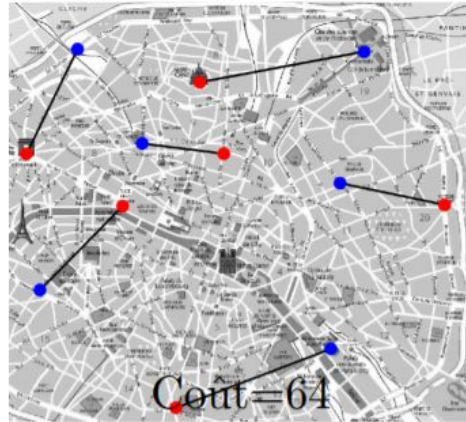
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Cout: $10+7+15+10+14+9 = 65$ min

From best to worst



Mathematical Formulation (continuous case)

- **Continuous case:** A bit more involved theoretically. Require measure theory.
 - <https://optimaltransport.github.io/slides/> : course on optimal transport

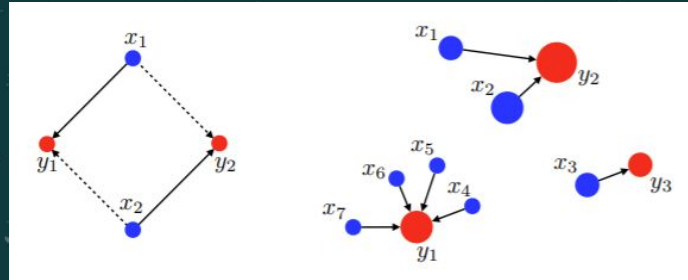
$T : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y} \quad s.t. \quad \beta(B) = \alpha(\{x \in \mathcal{X} : T(x) \in B\}) := \alpha(T^{-1}(B))$

Labels: Transportation Mapping, Continuous Sets, Distribution on Y, Distribution on X

$$\min_T \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \alpha} [c(x, T(x))]$$

Problems with Monge's Formulation

- Problem:**
 We may want to split mass!



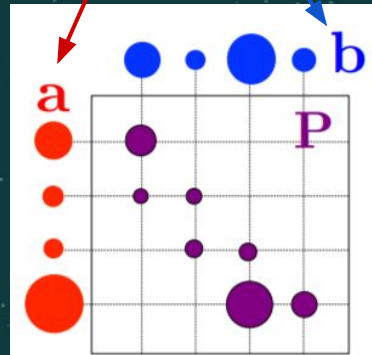
- Solution:** Mapping-Coupling matrix

$$P \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n \times m}, \quad P\mathbf{1} = a \text{ and } P^\top \mathbf{1} = b$$

Sum of Rows

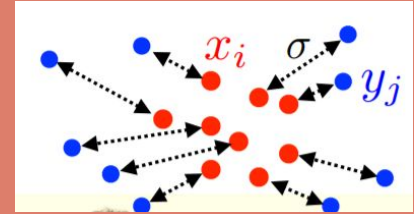
Sum of Columns

Discrete distributions



Problems with Monge's Formulation

$$\min_P \sum_{i,j} P_{i,j} C_{i,j}$$



Mass transported from x_i to y_j

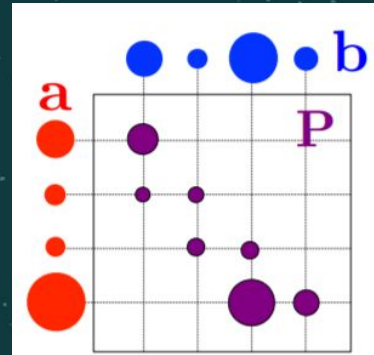
Transportation cost from x_i to x_j

- **Solution:** Mapping-Coupling matrix

$$P \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n \times m}, P \mathbf{1} = a \text{ and } P^T \mathbf{1} = b$$

Sum of Rows

Sum of Columns



Back to Wasserstein Distance

Wasserstein **distance** in the WGAN paper:

$$W(p, q) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(p, q)} \mathbb{E}_{(x, y) \sim \gamma} [\|x - y\|]$$

Generalization of the coupling in
the continuous case

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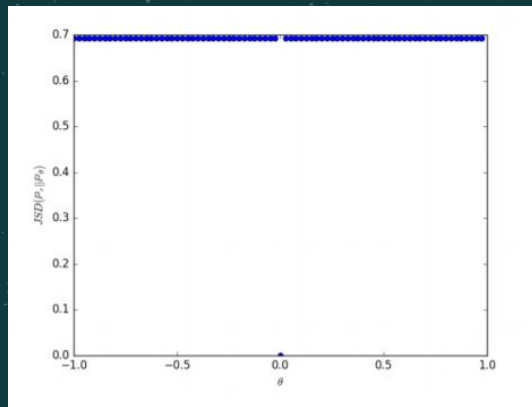
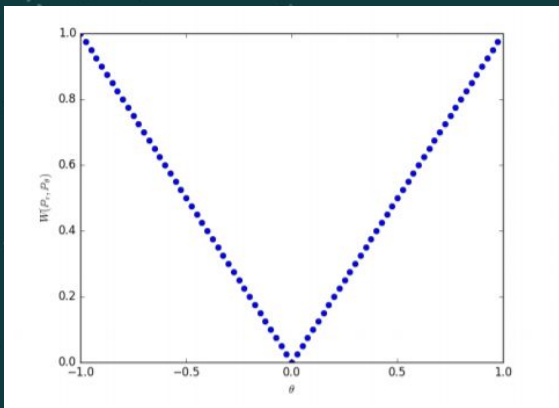
$$\min_P \sum_{i, j} P_{i, j} C_{i, j}$$

$$C_{i, j} = \|x_i - y_j\|_1$$

Warm-up in Dimension 1

$$Z \sim U([0, 1]) \quad g_{\theta}(z) = (\theta, z)$$

$$p_{\text{target}} \sim (0, Z) \quad q_{\theta} \sim (\theta, Z)$$



$$W(p, q) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(p, q)} \mathbb{E}_{(x, y) \sim \gamma} [\|x - y\|]$$

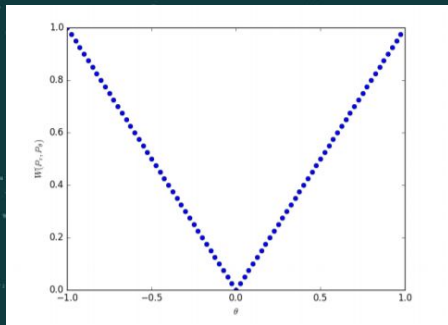
$$JS(p || q) := KL(p || \frac{p+q}{2}) + KL(q || \frac{p+q}{2})$$

Motivation for Wasserstein Distance

Theorem 1. Let \mathbb{P}_r be a fixed distribution over \mathcal{X} . Let Z be a random variable (e.g Gaussian) over another space \mathcal{Z} . Let $g : \mathcal{Z} \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ be a function, that will be denoted $g_\theta(z)$ with z the first coordinate and θ the second. Let \mathbb{P}_θ denote the distribution of $g_\theta(Z)$. Then,

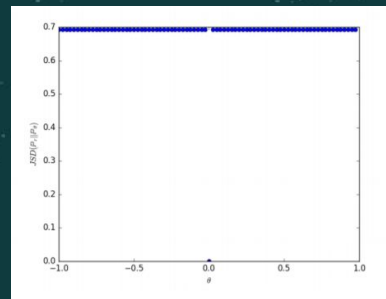
1. If g is continuous in θ , so is $W(\mathbb{P}_r, \mathbb{P}_\theta)$.
2. If g is locally Lipschitz and satisfies regularity assumption 1, then $W(\mathbb{P}_r, \mathbb{P}_\theta)$ is continuous everywhere, and differentiable almost everywhere.
3. Statements 1-2 are false for the Jensen-Shannon divergence $JS(\mathbb{P}_r, \mathbb{P}_\theta)$ and all the KLs.

Gradients



$$W(p, q) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(p, q)} \mathbb{E}_{(x, y) \sim \gamma} [\|x - y\|]$$

No Gradients



$$JS(p||q) := KL(p||\frac{p+q}{2}) + KL(q||\frac{p+q}{2})$$

Dual Formulation

Max in GANs is a divergence

$$JS(p_g || p_d) = \max_D \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} [\log(x)] + \mathbb{E}_{x' \sim p_g} [\log(1 - D(x'))]$$

Wasserstein can be written as a max:

$$W(p_g, p_d) = \max_{\|F\|_L \leq 1} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_d} [F(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{x' \sim p_g} [F(x')]$$

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$$JS(p_g || p_d) = \max_D \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} [-\log(1 + e^{-F(x)})] + \mathbb{E}_{x' \sim p_g} [\log(1 + e^{F(x')})]$$

Soft-negative part

Soft-positive part

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} JS(p_g || p_d) &= \max_F \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} [[F(x)]_{\ominus}] - \mathbb{E}_{x' \sim p_g} [[F(x')]_{\oplus}] \\ W(p_g, p_d) &= \max_{\|F\|_L \leq 1} \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_d} [F(x)] - \mathbb{E}_{x' \sim p_g} [F(x')] \end{aligned} \right.$$

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Soft

If F gets too good: Vanishing gradients for G

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If F **cannot** get "too" good

Real New thing in WGAN: Lipschitz Constraint!!!

- **Intuition:** Prevent discriminator to make gradient explode.
(because it cannot discriminate arbitrarily well)
- **Question:** How do I enforce Discriminator to be 1-Lip???
- **Answer 1: Not practical** (at least exactly).
- **Answer 2: Approximation:**
 - Clipping (WGAN) (very rough approximation)
 - Gradient Penalty (WGAN-GP) (Better but harder to explicitly control the Lipschitz)
 - Spectral Normalization (SN-GAN) (Explicit control... still an approximation)

Clipping

- **Idea:** a NN with bounded weights is Lipchitz.
- **Pros:**
 - Fast to compute.
 - Simple to implement.
- **Cons:**
 - Does not control the Lipchitz well. (Very rough approximation)
 - Ex: $f(x) = \theta_L \cdot \dots \cdot \theta_1 \cdot x$

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while  $\theta$  has not converged do  
  for  $t = 0, \dots, n_{\text{critic}}$  do  
    Sample  $\{x^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^m \sim \mathbb{P}_r$  a batch from the real data.  
    Sample  $\{z^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^m \sim p(z)$  a batch of priors.  
     $g_w \leftarrow \nabla_w [\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m f_w(x^{(i)}) - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m f_w(g_\theta(z^{(i)}))]$   
     $w \leftarrow w + \alpha \cdot \text{RMSProp}(w, g_w)$   
     $w \leftarrow \text{clip}(w, -c, c)$   
  end for  
  Sample  $\{z^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^m \sim p(z)$  a batch of prior samples.  
   $g_\theta \leftarrow -\nabla_\theta \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m f_w(g_\theta(z^{(i)}))$   
   $\theta \leftarrow \theta - \alpha \cdot \text{RMSProp}(\theta, g_\theta)$ 
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Gradient Descent

Clipping

Gradient Penalty

- **Idea:** Bounded gradient is equivalent to Lipschitz.

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_D = \mathcal{L}_D + \underbrace{\lambda \mathbb{E}_{\tilde{x} \sim \epsilon P_d + (1-\epsilon) p_g} [(\|\nabla_x D(\tilde{x})\|_2 - 1)^2]}_{\text{Incentive: Gradients of D close to 1}}$$

- **Pros:**

- Tractable
- Simple to implement (add a loss).

- **Cons:**

- Does not control the Lipschitz explicitly. (Very rough approximation)
- Only care about the Lipschitz on the supports of the distributions.
- λ large creates bad attractive points. (Decrease perfs.)

My takes on The gradient Penalty

Usually we regularize the square (smooth)

$$\mathbb{E}_{\tilde{x} \sim \epsilon P_d + (1-\epsilon) p_g} [(\|\nabla_x D(\tilde{x})\|_2 - 1)^2]$$

We want Gradients
Smaller than 1 ???

Remark: Challenging not to get Biased estimates of the Gradient

Potential Alternative GP:

$$\mathbb{E}_{\tilde{x} \sim \epsilon P_d + (1-\epsilon) p_g} [\|\nabla_x D(\tilde{x})\|_2^2]$$

Spectral Normalization

- **Idea:** Compute an upper-bound on the Lipschitz

$$\|\sigma(W_L \cdots \sigma(W_1 x))\|_{Lip} \leq \|W_L\| \cdots \|W_1\|$$

1-Lip non-linearities

Spectral Matrix norm

- **Pros:**
 - Give better results (better control of the Lipschitz)
- **Cons:**
 - Harder to implement (they did it for us)
 - Still an approximation of the upper bound.

Useful Links:

- Villani, Cédric. *Optimal transport: old and new*. Vol. 338. Springer Science & Business Media, 2008.
- Blog Post WGAN: <https://jonathan-hui.medium.com/gan-wasserstein-gan-wgan-gp-6a1a2aa1b490>
- <https://optimaltransport.github.io/slides/>
- Computational Optimal Transport : <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1803.00567.pdf>