L'IA au LMAC, Sciences de Données avec Transport Optimal

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1. What is optimal transport (OT)?

OT is ...

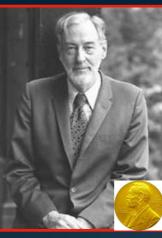
A method for comparing probability distributions with the ability to incorporate spatial information.



G. Monge (1746 - 1818)



L. Kantorovich (1912 - 1986)



T. Koopmans (1910 - 1985)



G. Dantzig (1914 - 2005)



Y. Brenier



F. Otto



R. McCann

Nobel Prize '75



C.Villani

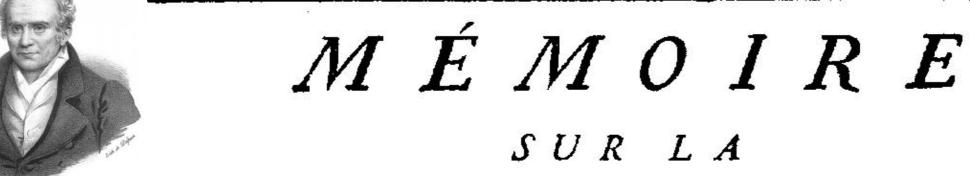
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Origin: Monge Problem (1781)

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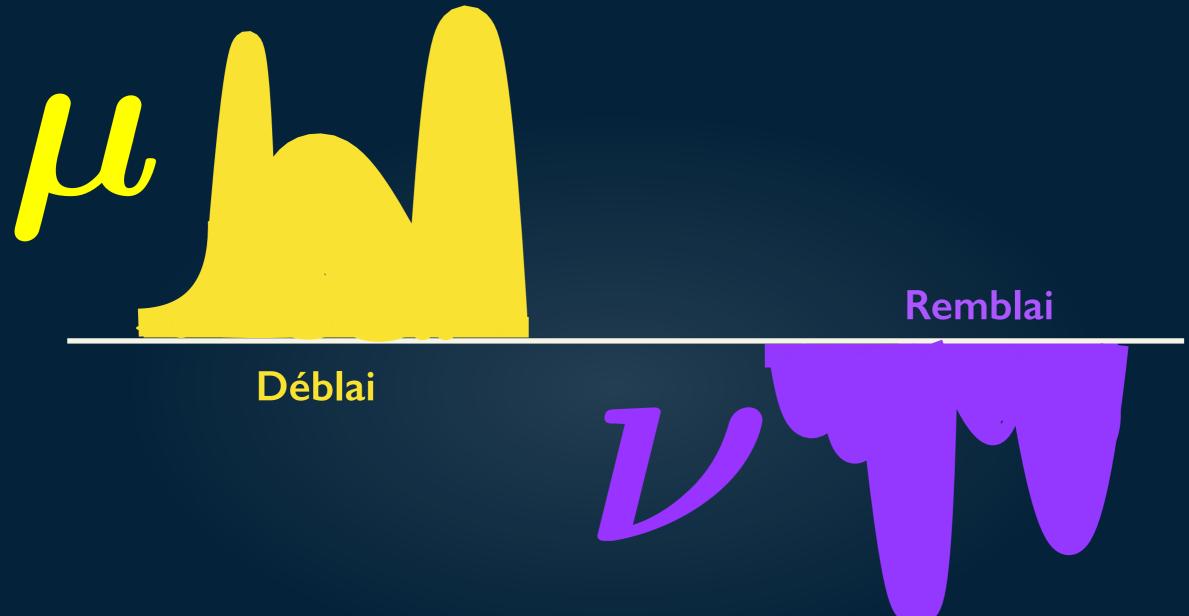
THÉORIE DES DÉBLAIS.

ET DES REMBLAIS.

Par M. MONGE.

Desqu'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.

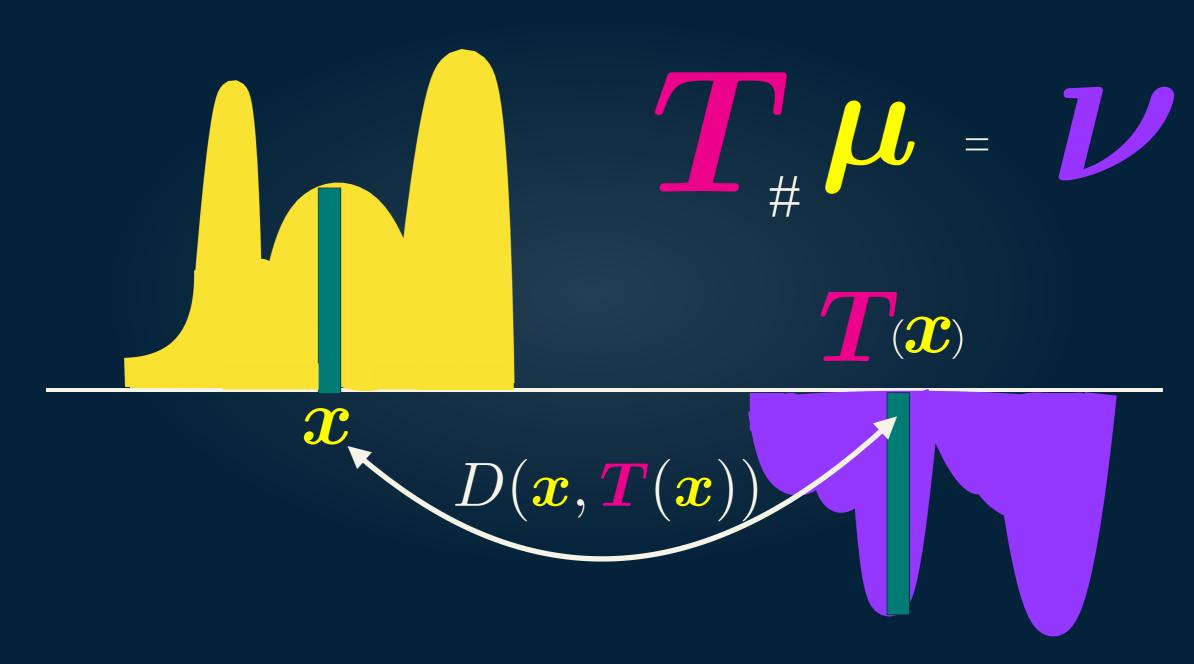
Monge Problem (1781)



- How to move dirt from one place (déblai) to another (remblai) while minimizing the effort?
- ullet Find a mapping \overline{T} between the two distributions of mass (transport).
- Optimize with respect to a displacement cost (optimal).

Monge Problem (1781)

ullet The mapping T must push-forward the "déblai" measure towards the "remblai".



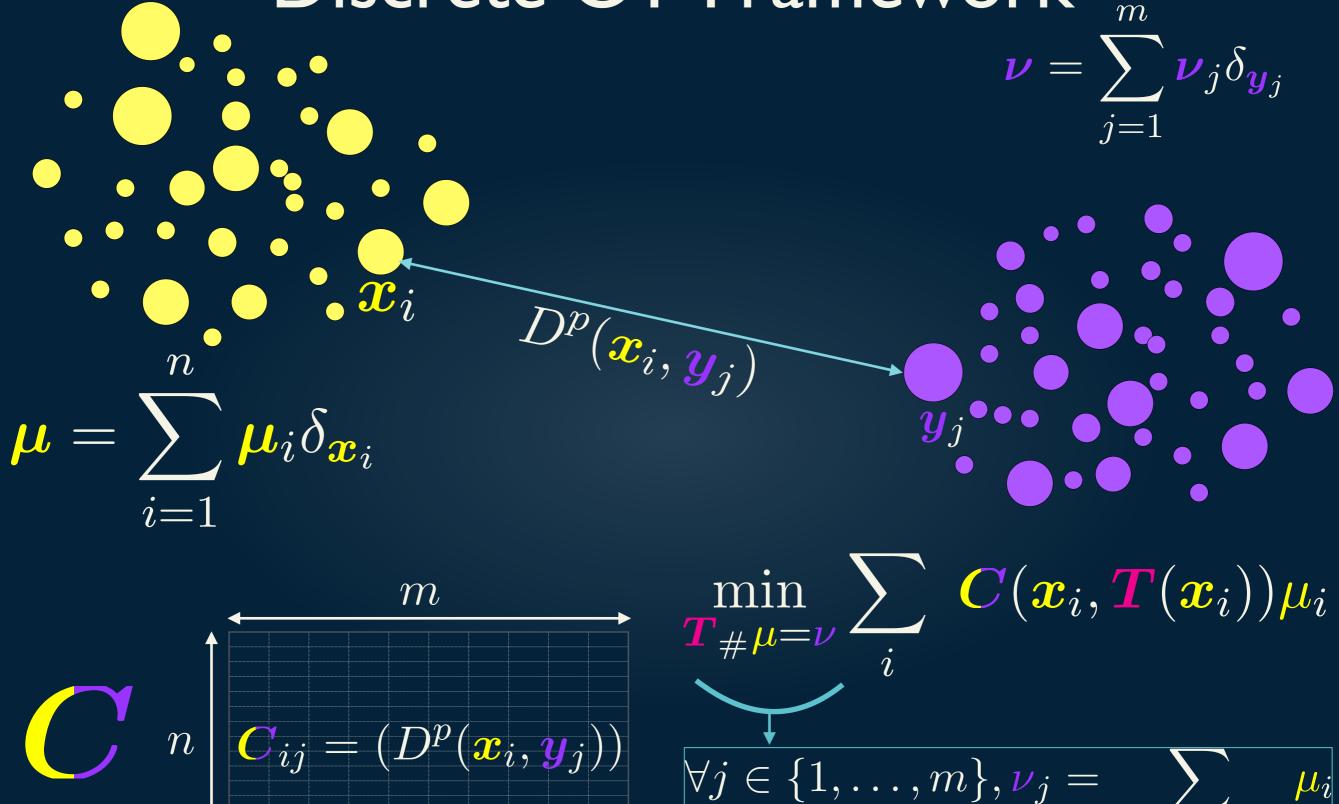
Monge Problem (1781)

ullet Monge formulation aim at finding a mapping $\overline{oldsymbol{T}}$ such that:

$$\inf_{\boldsymbol{T} \neq \boldsymbol{\mu} = \boldsymbol{\nu}} \int C(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{T}(\boldsymbol{x})) \mu(\boldsymbol{x}) d\boldsymbol{x}$$

- ullet Mapping ${f T}$ does not exist in the general case.
- Brenier, 1991 proved existence and unicity of the Monge map for Euclidean cost and distributions with densities.

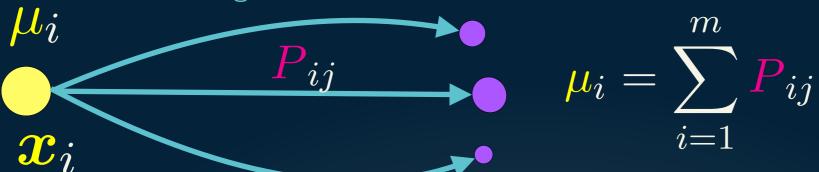
Discrete OT Framework



Cost Matrix
$$i:T(oldsymbol{x}_i)=oldsymbol{y}_j$$

Kantorovich's Formula (1942)

Relaxed: Fractional Assignments



- Focus on where the mass goes, allow splitting.
- Applications mainly for resource allocation problems.

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\gamma} \in \Pi_{\text{con}}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\nu})} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m} \boldsymbol{C}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) \boldsymbol{\gamma}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{y}$$

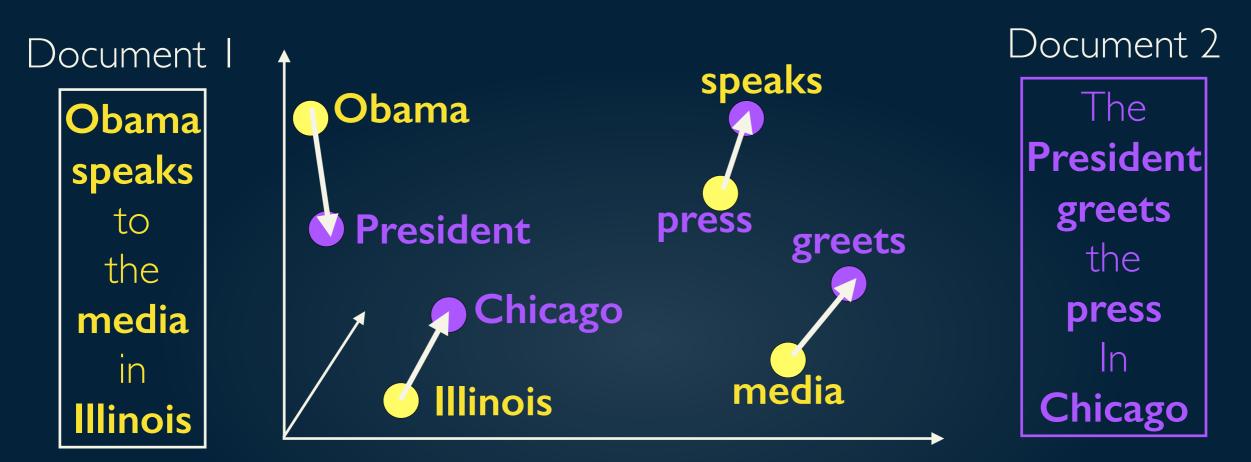
Probabilistic couplings set (Transport Polytope)

Discrete Version

$$\mathbf{\Pi}_{\mathrm{dis}}(\mu, oldsymbol{
u}) = \{ oldsymbol{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{n imes m}_+, oldsymbol{P} \mathbf{1}_m = oldsymbol{\mu}, oldsymbol{P}^ op \mathbf{1}_n = oldsymbol{
u} \}$$

A first simple examples

Matching words embeddings



Word Mover's Distance avec Word2vec embeddings [Kusner et al, 2015 (ICML)]

- Words are embedded in a high-dimensional space with deep neural networks.
- Matching two documents in an OT problem, with the Euclidean distance in the embedded space.

Color transfer



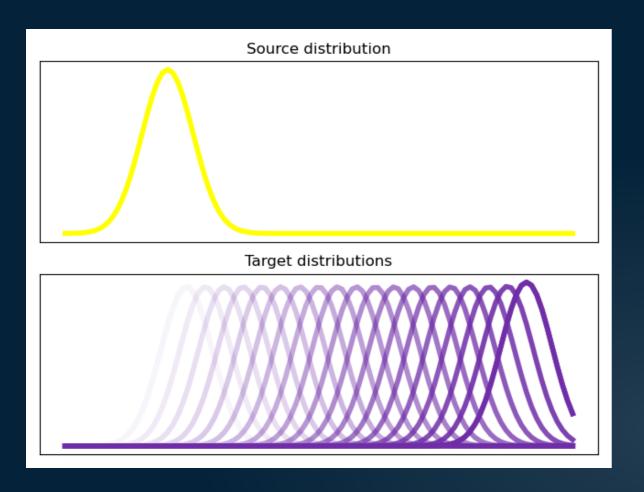


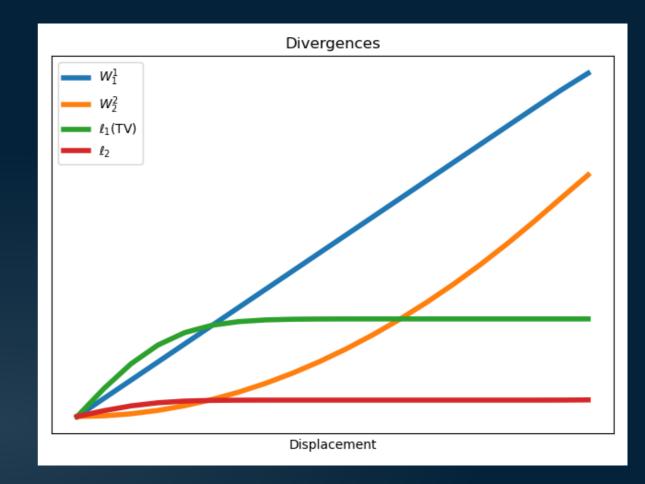




Wasserstein distance

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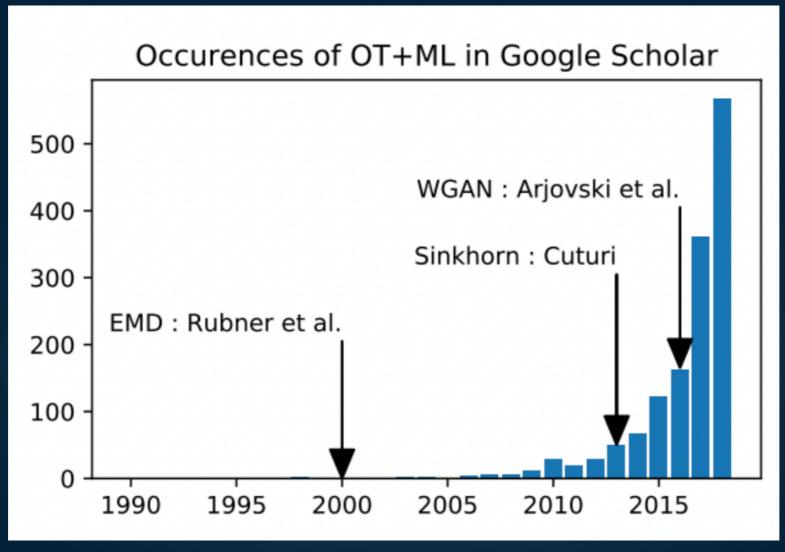
Monge-Kantorovich / Wasserstein Distance

$$\mathcal{W}_p^p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{
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u})} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n imes \mathbb{R}^m} oldsymbol{C}(oldsymbol{x}, oldsymbol{y}) oldsymbol{\gamma}(oldsymbol{x}, oldsymbol{y}) \mathrm{d}oldsymbol{x} \mathrm{d}oldsymbol{y} = \mathbb{E}_{(oldsymbol{x}, oldsymbol{y}) \sim oldsymbol{\gamma}} [oldsymbol{C}(x, y)]$$

- Do not need the distributions to have overlapping support.
- Works for continuous and discrete distributions (histograms, empirical).

2. How can it be used in data science?

History of OT for machine learning



[R. Flamary, 2019 (HDR)]

- Recently introduced to ML (well know in image processing since 2000).
- Computational OT allows numerous applications (regularization).
- Deep learning boost (numerical optimisation and GAN).

Wasserstein distance as a multi-label loss







Flickr user tags: street, parade, dragon Predictions: people, protest, parade



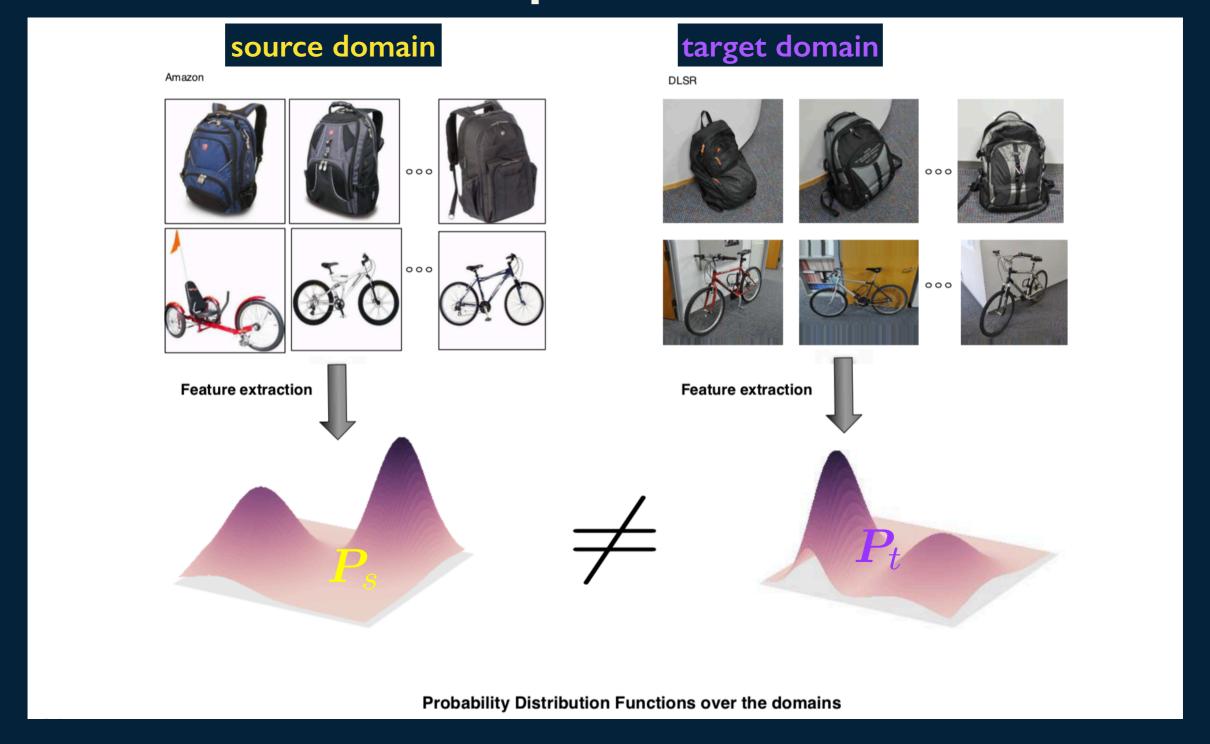
Flickr user tags: water, boat, reflection, sunshine Predictions: water, river, lake, summer

Leveraging output space structure [Frogner et al., 2015, (NeurlPS)]

- Classes of a multiclass (multi-label) problem have structure.
- Takes into account semantic of classes in the output distribution probability.
- Error in ``similar'' class is less penalized than to dissimilar one .
- Can be represented as a Wasserstein distance between true label and output a model.
- Ground metric represent the distance between classes

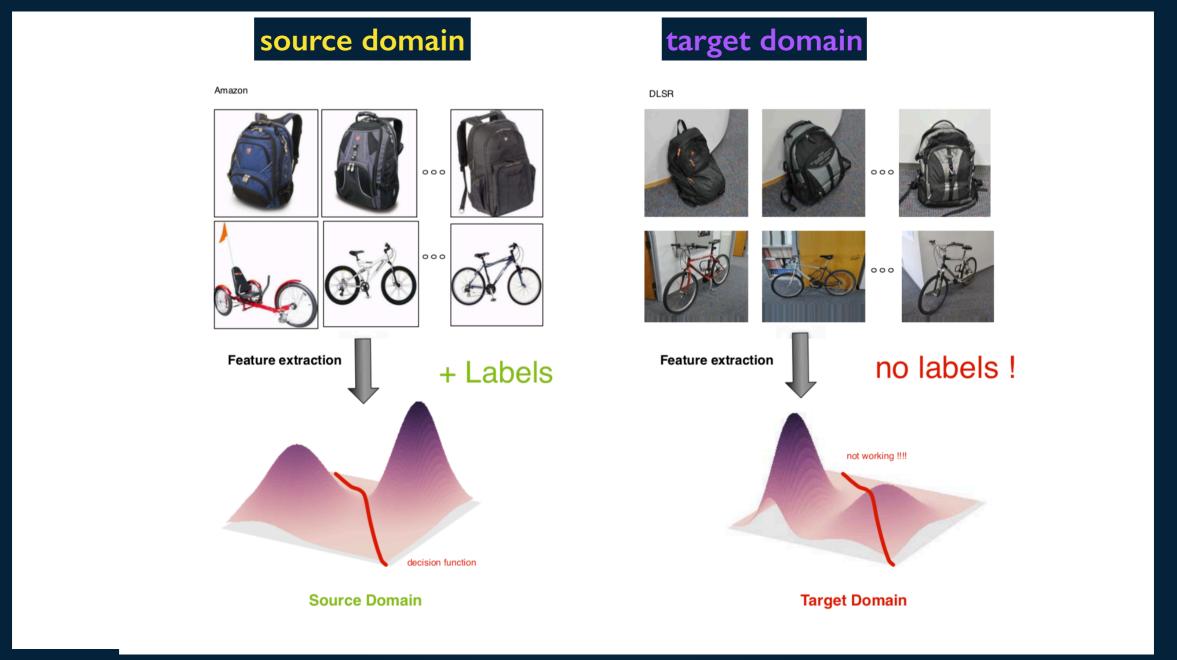
$$\min_{f_{m{ heta}}} rac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n W_1^1\Big(f_{m{ heta}}(m{x}_i), m{y}_i\Big)$$

Domain Adaptation Problem



- We Classification problem with data coming from different source (domains).
- Distributions are different but related.

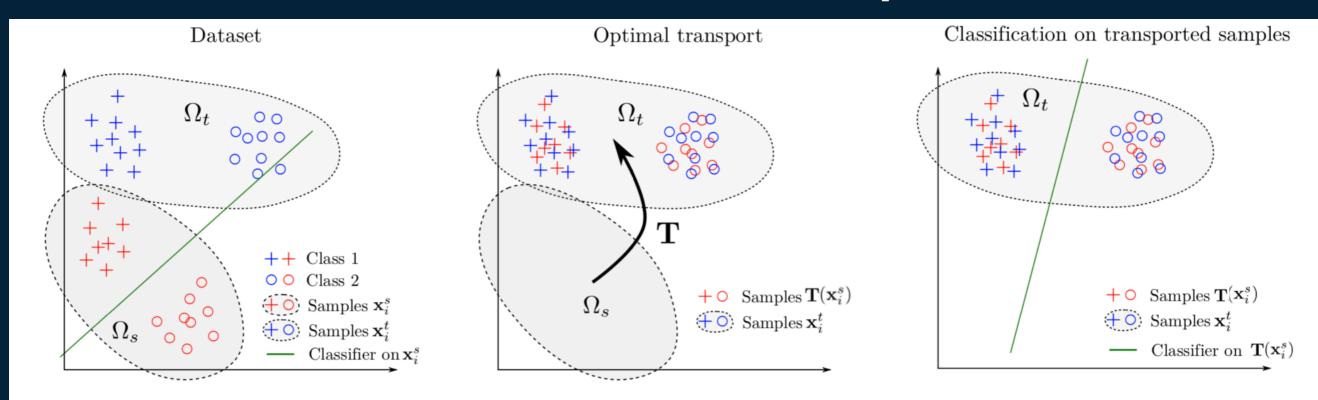
Domain Adaptation Problem



Problems

- Labels only available in the source domain, and classification is conducted in the target domain.
- Classifier on the source domain data performs badly in the target domain.

OT for Domain Adaptation

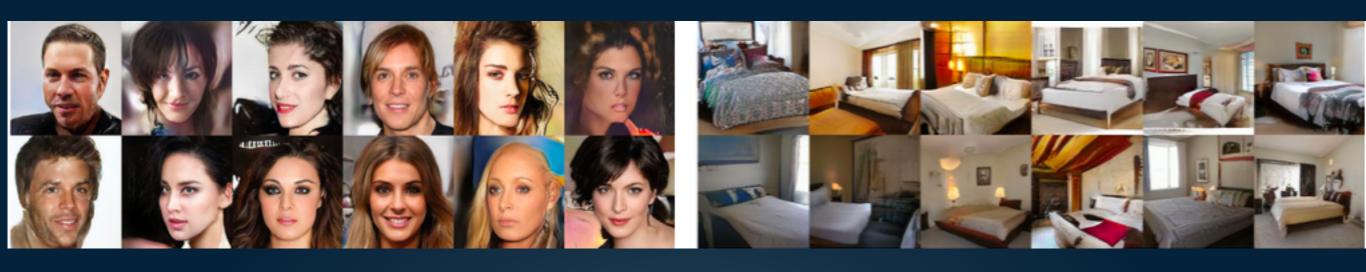


- ullet There exist a transport ${f T}$ in the feature space between the two domains.
- The transport preserves the conditional distributions:

$$oldsymbol{P}_s[oldsymbol{y}|oldsymbol{x}_s] = oldsymbol{P}_t[oldsymbol{y}|oldsymbol{T}(oldsymbol{x}_s)]$$

- 3-step strategy [Courty et al., 2017]
- I. Estimate optimal transport between distributions.
- 2. Transport the training samples onto the target distribution using barycentric mapping [Ferradans et al., 2013].
- 3. Learn a classifier on the transported training samples.

Wasserstein loss for generative modelling



Generative modelling as a matching distribution problem

- Learn a model that maps random vector to target space.
- Distribution of the model is targeted to be similar to the learning samples.
- Similarity as Wasserstein sense [Arjovsky et al. 2017, Deshpande et al. 2018, Nguyen et al. 2020).

$$\min_{f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}} W_p^p \left(\left\{ f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\boldsymbol{z}_i) \right\}_{i=1}^K, \left\{ \boldsymbol{x}_j \right\}_{j=1}^K \right)$$

 $\{m{z}_i\}$ some random vectors, $\{m{x}_j\}$ some samples from the target distribution.

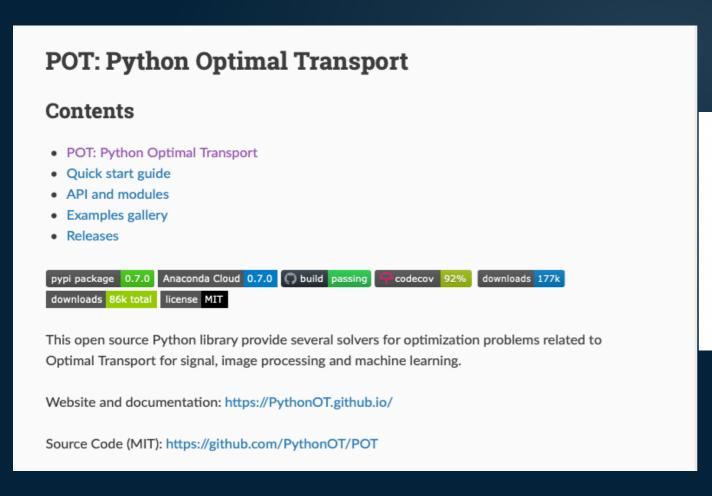
3. Conclusion

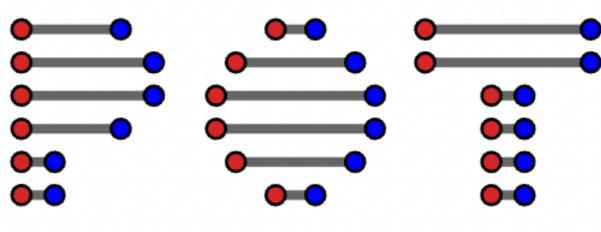
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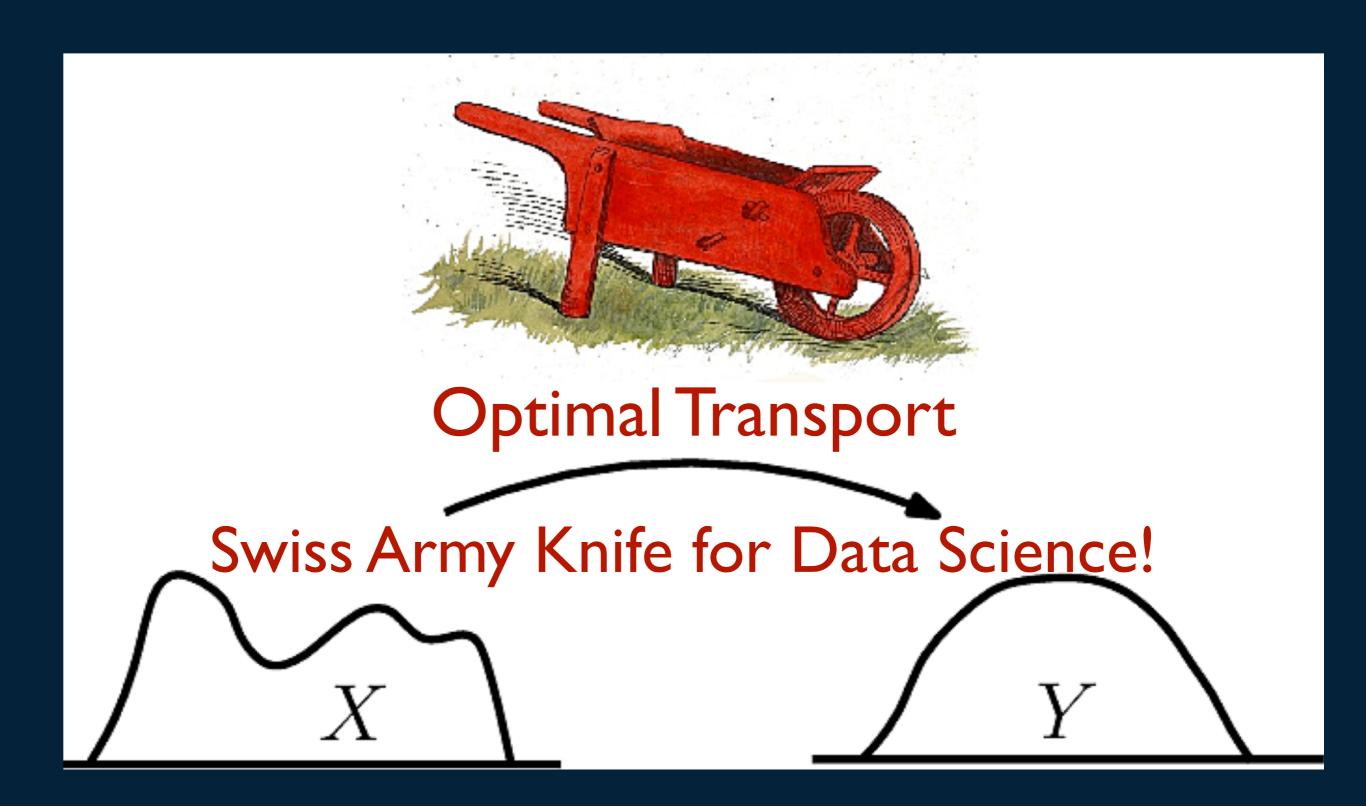
- A powerful tool, well theoretically grounded, for manipulating distributions in machine learning.
- Despite its initial computational complexity, a lot of applications, even in large scale/deep learning settings.
- Others OT aspects (out the scope of the presentation): unbalanced OT,
 Gromov-Wasserstein distance (working with structured data), and many more

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