Approximation of OT problems with marginal moments contraints

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For any (open or compact) subset $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ $(d \in \mathbb{N}^*)$, let us denote by $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X})$ the set of probability measures on \mathcal{X} .

- Let $d_1, d_2 \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $\mathcal{X}_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^{d_1}$ and $\mathcal{X}_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^{d_2}$ be open or compact subsets.
- For $u_1 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_1)$ and $u_2 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_2)$, let

$$\Pi(\nu_1,\nu_2) = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \gamma \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_1 \times \mathcal{X}_2), \\ \int_{\mathcal{X}_2} \mathrm{d}\gamma(x_1,x_2) = \mathrm{d}\nu_1(x_1), \int_{\mathcal{X}_1} \mathrm{d}\gamma(x_1,x_2) = \mathrm{d}\nu_2(x_2) \end{array} \right\}$$

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$$\inf_{\gamma\in\Pi(\nu_1,\nu_2)}\int_{\mathcal{X}_1,\mathcal{X}_2}c(x_1,x_2)\mathrm{d}\gamma(x_1,x_2).$$

Multi-marginal Kantorovich problem

Let N ∈ N*, and for all 1 ≤ i ≤ N, let d_i ∈ N*, X_i ⊂ R^{d_i} be an open or compact subset.
For all 1 ≤ i ≤ N, let ν_i ∈ P(X_i), and let

 $\Pi^{N}((\nu_{i})_{1\leq i\leq N}):=\left\{\gamma\in\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_{1},...,\mathcal{X}_{N}),\mathrm{d}\mu_{\gamma}^{i}(x_{i})=\mathrm{d}\nu_{i}(x_{i}),\forall 1\leq i\leq N\right\},$

where $\mu_{\gamma}^{i} \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_{i})$ denotes the *i*th marginal law of γ , defined by

$$\mathrm{d}\mu_{\gamma}^{i}(x_{i}) := \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1}\times\ldots\mathcal{X}_{i-1}\times\mathcal{X}_{i+1}\times\ldots\times\mathcal{X}_{N}} \mathrm{d}\gamma(x_{1},...,x_{N}).$$

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$$\begin{split} \mathsf{\Gamma} := \left\{ \begin{array}{c} (\bar{\gamma}^{j_{1},j_{2}}) \in \mathbb{R}^{M^{2}}_{+} \\ \forall 1 \leq j \leq M, \ \sum_{j_{1}=1}^{M} \bar{\gamma}^{j_{1},j} = \bar{\nu}^{j}_{2}, \ \sum_{j_{2}=1}^{M} \bar{\gamma}^{j,j_{2}} = \bar{\nu}^{j}_{1} \end{array} \right\} \\ \gamma \approx \sum_{j_{1},j_{2}} \bar{\gamma}^{j_{1},j_{2}} \delta_{\chi^{j_{1}}_{1},\chi^{j_{2}}_{2}} \end{split}$$

and we solve the linear problem under linear constraints in \mathbb{R}^{M^2}

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Curse of dimensionality!

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and we consider the following approximate problem (MCOT problem)

$$I^{M} = \inf_{\substack{\gamma \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}) \\ \forall 1 \leq i \leq N, \forall 1 \leq j \leq M, \\ \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \phi_{j}^{i}(x_{i}) d\gamma(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{N}) = \bar{\nu}_{i}^{j}} \\ \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \theta_{\nu_{i}}(|x_{i}|) d\gamma(x_{1}, \ldots, x_{N}) \leq A_{0}} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N} \int_{\mathcal{X}_{1} \times \ldots \times \mathcal{X}_{N}$$

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Under appropriate conditions on the test functions,

Theorem ([Alfonsi, C., Ehrlacher, Lombardi, 2019])

For all $M \in \mathbb{N}^*$, it holds that $I^M \leq I$ and $I^M \xrightarrow{M \to +\infty} I$. Besides, there exists an integer $1 \leq K \leq MN + 2$, and for all $1 \leq k \leq K$, points $z^k = (x_1^k, ..., x_N^k) \in \mathcal{X}_1 \times ... \times \mathcal{X}_N$ and weights $w_k > 0$ such that

$$\gamma^{M} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} w_k \delta_{x_1^k, \dots, x_N^k}$$

is a minimizer of the MCOT Problem (1).

Theorem (Tchakaloff [Bayer & Teichmann, 2006])

Let $d \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and let γ be a measure on \mathbb{R}^d concentrated on a Borel set $A \in \mathcal{F}$, i.e. $\gamma(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus A) = 0$. Let $M_0 \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $\Lambda : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^{M_0}$ a Borel measurable map. Assume that the first moments of $\Lambda \# \gamma$ exist, i.e.

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{M_0}} \|u\| \mathrm{d} \Lambda \# \gamma(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|\Lambda(z)\| \mathrm{d} \gamma(z) < \infty,$$

where $\|\cdot\|$ denotes the Euclidean norm of \mathbb{R}^{M_0} . Then, there exist an integer $1 \le K \le M_0$, points $z_1, ..., z_K \in A$ and weights $w_1, ..., w_K > 0$ such that

$$orall 1 \leq j \leq M_0, \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \Lambda_j(z) \mathrm{d}\gamma(z) = \sum_{k=1}^K w_k \Lambda_j(z_k),$$

where Λ_j denotes the *j*-th component of Λ .

This suggests to consider the following problem (particle problem) as a numerical scheme

$$\inf_{\substack{w_1,...,w_{MN+2}\geq 0\\ \sum_{k=1}^{MN+2} w_k = 1\\ \forall 1 \le i \le N, \forall 1 \le j \le M, \sum_{k=1}^{MN+2} w_k = i}} \sum_{k=1}^{MN+2} w_k c(x_1^k,...,x_N^k). \tag{2}$$

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The number of particles grows linearly with the number of marginal laws, as well as the number of coordinates of those particles.

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For the sake of simplicity, we will only consider two marginal laws $\nu_1 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $\nu_2 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $d \in \mathbb{N}^*$.

We assume that there exist a martingale coupling between ν_1 and ν_2 :

$$\exists \gamma \in \Pi(
u_1,
u_2), \, \forall x_1 \in \mathbb{R}^d, \, \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} x_2 \mathrm{d}\gamma(x_1, x_2) = x_1,$$

and a l.s.c. cost function $c : \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{+\infty\}$. The Martingale Optimal Transport Problem reads as

$$I = \inf_{\substack{\gamma \in \Pi(\nu_1,\nu_2) \\ \forall x_1 \in \mathbb{R}^d, \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} x_2 \mathrm{d}\gamma(x_1,x_2) = x_1}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} c(x_1,x_2) \mathrm{d}\gamma(x_1,x_2).$$

In finance, ν_1 and ν_2 are known distribution of prices and $\int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} c(x_1, x_2) d\gamma(x_1, x_2)$ is the payoff of an option.

Martingale MCOT problems

Let us introduce the following MCOT Problems, for all $M \in \mathbb{N}^*$, with the same constraints on the test functions as in the non compact case,

$$I_{A_{0}}^{M,\mathrm{mg}} = \inf_{\substack{\gamma \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^{d} \times \mathbb{R}^{d}) \\ \forall i=1,2, \forall 1 \leq j \leq M, \\ \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d} \times \mathbb{R}^{d}} \phi_{j}^{i}(x_{i}) \mathrm{d}\gamma(x_{1}, x_{2}) = \bar{\nu}_{i}^{j} \\ \forall x_{1} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}, \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d}} x_{2} \mathrm{d}\gamma(x_{1}, x_{2}) = x_{1}, \\ \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d} \times \mathbb{R}^{d}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \theta_{\nu_{i}}(|x_{i}|) \mathrm{d}\gamma(\mathbb{R}^{d} \times \mathbb{R}^{d}) \leq A_{0}}$$
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$$(4)$$

Martingale MCOT results

With appropriate constraints on the additional test functions χ_l , one can prove that

• The problem (4) admits a finite discrete minimizer (with 2M + M' charged points)

$$I_{A_0}^{M,M'} \xrightarrow[M' \to \infty]{M' \to \infty} I_{A_0}^{M,mg} < +\infty$$
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Remark

- One can also define a multi-marginal martingale optimal transport problem and thus, for example, match price at several time steps.
- If we use as test functions the functions (· K)⁺ and (K ·)⁺ for various values of K, the Martingale MCOT problem consists in knowing only option prices at various strikes and maturity with no hypothesis on the underlying asset price.
- However, our numerical scheme can only approximate the martingale constraints on a set of test functions (with NM + M' charged points).
- Other numerical methods for Martingale Optimal Transport use sampling techniques [Alfonsi, Corbetta, Jourdain, '19] or entropic regularization [De March, '18] [Guo, Obloj, '17].

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Conclusions

- Alternative way of discretizing multi-marginal optimal transport problems, in particular for application in finance using test functions: MCOT problems;
- Convergence of MCOT problem towards the OT problem;
- Some minimizers of MCOT problems can be written as discrete measures charging a low number of points
- suggest the use of a particle numerical scheme for the resolution of the MCOT problem
- Preliminary results on simple OT problems on the rate of convergence of the MCOT problem towards the OT problem for piecewise constant and piecewise affine functions

Perspectives

- find an algorithm which can efficiently solve the particle problem
- prove more general convergence rates of the MCOT problem to the exact OT problem.

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$$\phi_j^{\mathcal{M}}(x) := \begin{vmatrix} \mathcal{M}\left(x - \frac{j-2}{\mathcal{M}}\right) & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{T}_{j-1}^{\mathcal{M}}, \\ \mathcal{M}\left(\frac{j}{\mathcal{M}} - x\right) & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{T}_j^{\mathcal{M}}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise}, \end{vmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} 1 - \mathcal{M}x & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{T}_1^{\mathcal{M}}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise}, \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$\phi_j^M(x) := \begin{vmatrix} M\left(x - \frac{j-2}{M}\right) & \text{if } x \in T_{j-1}^M, \\ M\left(\frac{j}{M} - x\right) & \text{if } x \in T_j^M, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{vmatrix} \stackrel{1-Mx}{=} \begin{vmatrix} 1 - Mx & \text{if } x \in T_1^M, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{vmatrix}$$

Discontinuous piecewise affine (discontinuous \mathbb{P}_1) test functions: for $1 \leq j \leq M$

$$\phi_{j,1}^{M}(x) := \begin{vmatrix} M\left(\frac{j}{M} - x\right) & \text{if } x \in T_{j}^{M}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{vmatrix} \quad \phi_{j,2}^{M}(x) := \begin{vmatrix} M\left(x - \frac{j-1}{M}\right) & \text{if } x \in T_{j}^{M}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{vmatrix}$$

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