

# Stability of Schrödinger potentials and application to PDEs

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# Motivation: Dynamical urban planning model

Solve

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho_1 - \Delta \rho_1^p - \operatorname{div}(\rho_1 \nabla (V_1 + \varphi)) = 0, \\ \partial_t \rho_2 - \Delta \rho_2^q - \operatorname{div}(\rho_2 \nabla (V_2 + \psi)) = 0, \\ \rho_1(0, \cdot) = \rho_{1,0}, \rho_2(0, \cdot) = \rho_{2,0}, \end{cases}$$

on a **compact, convex** subset  $\Omega$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with no-flux boundary conditions, where  $p, q \geq 1$ ,  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are smooth potentials and  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are:

- **Potentials of Kantorovich:** Optimal transport problem
- **Potentials of Schrödinger:** Entropic regularization of optimal transport problem

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# Wasserstein distance

- **Kantorovich relaxation (1942):** given a source  $\rho_1 \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  and a target  $\rho_2 \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$

$$W_2^2(\rho_1, \rho_2) = \min \left\{ \iint_{\Omega \times \Omega} |y - x|^2 d\gamma(x, y) : \gamma \in \Pi(\rho_1, \rho_2) \right\},$$

where

$$\Pi(\rho_1, \rho_2) = \left\{ \gamma \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega \times \Omega) : \pi_{1\#}\gamma = \rho_1 \text{ and } \pi_{2\#}\gamma = \rho_2 \right\}.$$

- **Wasserstein distance:**  $W_2$  define a metric on  $\mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  and an optimal  $\gamma$  is called optimal transport plan between  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ .

# Dual formulation and Brenier's theorem

Dual formulation:

$$W_2^2(\rho_1, \rho_2) = \max \left\{ \int_{\Omega} \varphi_1(x) d\rho_1(x) + \int_{\Omega} \varphi_2(x) d\rho_2(x) : \varphi_1(x) + \varphi_2(y) \leq |x - y|^2 \right\}.$$

Solutions  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  are called Kantorovich potential.

## Theorem (Brenier 1989)

If  $\rho_1 \ll \mathcal{L}|_{\Omega}$ , then Kantorovich's problem admits a unique solution  $\gamma$  induced by a map  $T$ , i.e.  $\gamma = (Id, T)_{\#}\rho_1$ .

Moreover,  $T$  is the gradient of a convex function and satisfies  $T = Id - \nabla\varphi$  where  $\varphi$  is a Kantorovich potential.

# Entropic regularization

- Regularized optimal transport problem:

$$W_{c,\epsilon}(\rho_1, \rho_2) := \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(\rho_1, \rho_2)} \left\{ \iint_{\Omega \times \Omega} c(x, y) d\gamma(x, y) + \epsilon \iint_{\Omega \times \Omega} \gamma(\log(\gamma) - 1) \right\}.$$

Can be rewritten as

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where  $G_\epsilon := e^{-\frac{c}{\epsilon}}$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  is the relative entropy defined by

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- Change of reference measure: Define

$$E(\rho_1, \rho_2) := \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(\rho_1, \rho_2)} \left\{ \iint_{\Omega \times \Omega} c(x, y) d\gamma(x, y) + \epsilon \mathcal{H}(\gamma | \rho_1 \otimes \rho_2) \right\}$$

**Remark:**  $W_{c,\epsilon}(\rho_1, \rho_2) = E(\rho_1, \rho_2) + \epsilon \mathcal{H}(\rho_1) + \epsilon \mathcal{H}(\rho_2)$ .



# Dual problem and Schrödinger system

- Dual problem

$$E(\rho_1, \rho_2) \\ = \max_{\phi_1, \phi_2} \int_{\Omega} \phi_1 d\rho_1 + \int_{\Omega} \phi_2 d\rho_2 - \int_{\Omega^2} e^{(\phi_1(x) + \phi_2(y))/\epsilon} G_{\epsilon}(x, y) d\rho_1(x) d\rho_2(y).$$

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- Regularity: same as  $c$  and unique in  $\tilde{\mathcal{C}}^k := \mathcal{C}^k \times \mathcal{C}^k / \sim$  where

$$(\phi_1, \phi_2) \sim (\psi_1, \psi_2) \Leftrightarrow \exists \kappa \in \mathbb{R} \text{ such that } \phi_1 = \psi_1 + \kappa \text{ and } \phi_2 = \psi_2 - \kappa$$

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# Lipschitz stability of the Schrödinger map

The Schrödinger map:

$$S : (\rho_1, \rho_2) \longmapsto (\phi_1, \phi_2)$$

Theorem (Carlier-Chizat-L., '22)

For  $k \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , assume that  $c \in C^{k+1}(\Omega)$ . The Schrödinger map  $S : \mathcal{P}(\Omega)^2 \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{C}}^k$  is Lipschitz continuous, i.e. there exists  $C > 0$  such that, for all  $(\rho_1, \rho_2), (\mu_1, \mu_2) \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)^4$ ,

$$\|S(\rho_1, \rho_2) - S(\mu_1, \mu_2)\|_{\tilde{\mathcal{C}}^k} \leq C(W_2^2(\rho_1, \mu_1) + W_2^2(\rho_2, \mu_2))^{1/2}.$$

**Remark:** can be extended to multimarginal case

# Idea of proof

Denote  $\rho = (\rho_1, \rho_2)$  and  $\phi = (\phi_1, \phi_2)$

- Rewrite the Schrödinger system as

$$F(\phi, \rho) = 0$$

- For any optimal transport plan  $\gamma \in \Pi(\rho, \mu)$ , consider the interpolation

$$\rho_t = ((1-t)\pi_1 + t\pi_2) \# \gamma$$

- Apply the **implicit function theorem** to

$$G : \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\mathcal{C}}^k \times [0, 1] \longrightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{C}}^k \\ (\phi, t) \longmapsto F(\phi, \rho_t) \end{array}$$

# Displacement smoothness

Let  $\rho_0, \rho_1 \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  and  $\gamma$  an optimal transport plan between  $\rho_0$  and  $\rho_1$ . Define the Wasserstein geodesic  $t \mapsto \rho_t$  by

$$\rho^t := ((1-t)\pi_1 + t\pi_2)_{\#}\gamma.$$

A functional  $\mathcal{E} : (\rho_1, \dots, \rho_l) \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_l)$  is said  $\lambda$ -geodesically convex if

$$t \in [0, 1] \mapsto \mathcal{E}(\rho_1^t, \dots, \rho_l^t) \text{ is } \lambda\text{-convex.}$$

## Corollary (Carlier-Chizat-L., '22)

*If  $c \in \mathcal{C}^2$ , then there exists  $\lambda > 0$  such that  $E$  and  $-E$  are  $(-\lambda)$ -geodesically convex.*

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# Optimal transport and labour market [Carlier-Ekeland '04]

- $\rho_1, \rho_2$  are the densities of inhabitants and firms in a city  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ ,
- **Commuting cost** from  $x$  to  $y$  given by  $c(x, y)$ , e.g.  $c(x, y) = |x - y|^2$ ,
- **Where to work?** Optimization problem over commuting cost and salary,  $\psi(y)$ ,

$$\varphi(x) = \inf_{y \in \Omega} \{c(x, y) - \psi(y)\}.$$

- **Construction of a transport map:**

$$T(x) = \operatorname{argmin} \{c(x, y) - \psi(y)\}$$

Then the equilibrium constraint reads  $T_{\#}\rho_1 = \rho_2$ .

- This problem is equivalent to solve the optimal transport problem

$$\inf_{\rho_2 = T_{\#}\rho_1} \int_{\Omega} c(T(x), x) d\rho_1(x),$$

and  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are simply the Kantorovich potential associated to the dual problem.

# Static urban planning model [Buttazzo-Santambrogio '05]

**Optimal distribution in a city  $\Omega$ :** Existence and characterization of minimizers of

$$(\rho_1, \rho_2) \mapsto W_2^p(\rho_1, \rho_2) + \mathcal{F}(\rho_1) + \mathcal{G}(\rho_2),$$

where

- $\mathcal{F}$  represents a congestion effect for the inhabitants, for example

$$\mathcal{F}(\rho) = \int_{\Omega} F(\rho(x)) dx = \int_{\Omega} \frac{F(\rho(x))}{\rho(x)} \rho(x),$$

where  $F$  is convex and superlinear.  $\frac{F(\rho)}{\rho}$  is unhappiness of a citizen living at a place with density  $\rho$ .

- $\mathcal{G}$  represents a concentration effect for the firms, for example

$$\mathcal{G}(\rho) := \iint_{\Omega \times \Omega} |x - y|^2 d\rho(x) d\rho(y).$$

# Dynamical urban planning model

[L. '20]

Dynamics of

$$\mathcal{E}(\rho) = W_2^2(\rho_1, \rho_2) + \mathcal{F}(\rho_1) + \mathcal{G}(\rho_2)$$

- Wasserstein gradient flow of  $\mathcal{E}$ : Formally,

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho_1 - \operatorname{div}(\rho_1 \nabla F(\rho_1)) - \operatorname{div}(\rho_1 \nabla \varphi) = 0, \\ \partial_t \rho_2 - \operatorname{div}(\rho_2 \nabla G(|x-y|) * \rho_2) - \operatorname{div}(\rho_2 \nabla \psi) = 0, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where  $(\varphi(t), \psi(t))$  is a pair of Kantorovich potential of  $W_2(\rho_1(t), \rho_2(t))$ ,  $t$ -a.e.

- $W_2^2$  is not geodesically convex in general!
- Existence of weak solutions: JKO scheme

# Dynamic with noise

Dynamics of

$$\mathcal{E}_\epsilon(\rho) = W_{2,\epsilon}^2(\rho_1, \rho_2) + \mathcal{F}(\rho_1) + \mathcal{G}(\rho_2)$$

- Wasserstein gradient flow of  $\mathcal{E}_\epsilon$  satisfies

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho_1 - \operatorname{div}(\rho_1 \nabla F(\rho_1)) - \operatorname{div}(\rho_1 \nabla \phi_1) - \epsilon \Delta \rho_1 = 0, \\ \partial_t \rho_2 - \operatorname{div}(\rho_2 \nabla G(|x-y|) * \rho_2) - \operatorname{div}(\rho_2 \nabla \phi_2) - \epsilon \Delta \rho_2 = 0, \\ \rho_1(0, \cdot) = \rho_{1,0}, \rho_2(0, \cdot) = \rho_{2,0}, \end{cases}$$

where  $(\phi_1, \phi_2)$  are Schrödinger potentials.

- $\mathcal{E}_\epsilon$  is geodesically convex.
- Existence and uniqueness of Wasserstein gradient flow of  $\mathcal{W}_{c,\epsilon}$

# Asymptotic convergence

## Proposition (Carlier-Chizat-L., '22)

Assume that  $\mathcal{H}(\rho_i^0) < +\infty$  for every  $i$ , then  $\rho_t$ , the WGF of  $W_{c,\epsilon}$ , converges at an exponential rate to the equilibrium  $\rho^*$ , defined by

$$\rho_i^*(x) = \frac{\int_{\Omega} e^{-c(x,y)/\epsilon} dy}{\int_{\Omega^2} e^{-c/\epsilon}}$$

i.e. there exists  $\kappa > 0$  independent of  $\rho^0$  such that

$$W_{c,\epsilon}(\rho_t) - W_{c,\epsilon}(\rho^*) \leq e^{-\kappa t} (W_{c,\epsilon}(\rho^0) - W_{c,\epsilon}(\rho^*)).$$

**Remark:**  $E$  is not  $\lambda$ -geodesically convex with  $\lambda > 0$

Thank you for your attention!