

# An Invitation to Statistics in Wasserstein Space

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# Analogy with Procrustes Analysis

$$\underline{\gamma}_1$$

Recall the Algorithm 1

$$\mu_1, \dots, \mu_N \quad \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N t_{\gamma_1}^{\mu_i} \right] \# \underline{\gamma}_1 \quad \frac{W_2(\gamma, \bar{\mu})}{\bar{x}}$$

$$\{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_N, \gamma_1\} \text{ compatible}$$

**Algorithm 1** Steepest descent via Procrustes analysis

(A) Set a tolerance threshold  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

$$\underline{\gamma}_1 \quad 0 \leq \tau \leq 1$$

(B) For  $j = 0$ , let  $\gamma_j$  be an arbitrary absolutely continuous measure.

(C) For  $i = 1, \dots, N$  solve the (pairwise) Monge problem and find the optimal transport map  $t_{\gamma_j}^{\mu_i}$  from  $\gamma_j$  to  $\mu_i$ .

$$\tau = 1$$

(D) Define the map  $T_j = N^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^N t_{\gamma_j}^{\mu_i}$ .

$$\underline{F'(\gamma_j)}$$

(E) Set  $\underline{\gamma_{j+1}} = T_j \# \gamma_j$ , i.e. push-forward  $\gamma_j$  via  $(T_j)$  to obtain  $\gamma_{j+1}$ .

(F) If  $\|F'(\gamma_{j+1})\| < \varepsilon$ , stop, and output  $\gamma_{j+1}$  as the approximation of  $\bar{\mu}$  and  $t_{\gamma_{j+1}}^{\mu_i}$  as the approximation of  $t_{\bar{\mu}}^{\mu_i}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$ . Otherwise, return to step (C).

Karhner mean

$$\{\underline{\gamma}_j\} \quad \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n \quad F'(\gamma) = 0$$

$$W_2(\gamma_j, \bar{\mu}) \rightarrow 0, \quad \bar{\mu}, \text{ Fréchet mean}$$

# Analogy with Procrustes Analysis

Algorithm 1 iterates the two steps of registration and linear averaging given the current template  $\gamma_j$ .

- 1 Registration: by finding the optimal transportation maps  $t_{\gamma_j}^{\mu^i}$ , we identify each  $\mu^i$  with the element  $t_{\gamma_j}^{\mu^i} - i \in \log_{\gamma_j}(\mu^i)$
- 2 Averaging: the registered measures are averaged linearly, using the common coordinate system of the registration step (1), as elements in the linear space  $\text{Tan}_{\gamma_j}$

$$\gamma_j \rightarrow \underline{\text{Tan}_{\gamma_j}}$$

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# Convergence of Algorithm 1

$$(\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{J}, \mathbb{P}) \rightarrow \mathcal{W}_2(\mathbb{R}^d) . \uparrow$$

$\mathcal{P} \subset \{ \mu \in \mathcal{W}_2 \mid \mu \text{ is absolutely continuous with bounded density} \} = \mathcal{Q}$

## Theorem 5.3.1 (Limit Points are Karcher Means) $q_n \rightarrow q$

Let  $\mu^1, \dots, \mu^N \in \mathcal{W}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be probability measures and suppose that one of them is absolutely continuous with a bounded density. Then, the sequence generated by Algorithm 1 stays in a compact set of the Wasserstein space  $\mathcal{W}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , and any limit point of the sequence is a Karcher mean of  $(\mu^1, \dots, \mu^N)$ .

$\{ \gamma_j \}$

# Convergence of Algorithm 1

Proposition 3.1.8 states that the Frechet mean  $\bar{\mu}$  is a Karcher mean, we obtain immediately

## Corollary 5.3.2 (Wasserstein Convergence of Steepest Descent)

Under the conditions of Theorem 5.3.1, if  $F$  has a unique  <sup>$\mu$</sup>  stationary point, then the sequence  $\{\gamma_j\}$  generated by Algorithm 1 converges to the Frechet mean  $\bar{\mu}$  of  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_N$  in the Wasserstein metric,

$$W_2(\gamma_j, \bar{\mu}) \rightarrow 0$$

# Convergence of Algorithm 1

$$\mathcal{A}(\nu_2(\mathbb{R}^d))$$

$$= \{ \mu \mid \mu \text{ is absolutely continuous} \}$$

 $\mathcal{A}$ 

light

$$j \rightarrow j+1$$

$$\mathcal{A}(\gamma_j) = \gamma_{j+1}$$

The proof of Theorem 5.3.1 is achieved by establishing the following facts:

1. The sequence  $\{\gamma_j\}$  stays in a compact subset of  $\mathcal{W}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  (Lemma 5.3.5)
2. Any limit of  $\{\gamma_j\}$  is absolutely continuous (Proposition 5.3.6)
3. Algorithm 1 acts continuously on its argument (Corollary 5.3.8)

$$\gamma_j \rightarrow \gamma$$

$$\mathcal{A}(\gamma_j) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(\gamma)$$

## Lemma 5.3.5

$$\gamma_{j+1} \rightarrow \gamma$$

The sequence generated by Algorithm 1 stays in a compact subset of the Wasserstein space  $\mathcal{W}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N t_{\gamma}^{x^i} = i, \quad \gamma\text{-d.s.} \iff$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N t_{\gamma}^{x^i} - i = 0$$

$$F(\gamma) = 0 \Rightarrow \gamma \text{ is Karcher mean}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(\gamma) &= \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N t_{\gamma}^{x^i} \right]_{\# \gamma} \\ &= \gamma \\ &= i_{\# \gamma} \end{aligned}$$

# Convergence of Algorithm 1

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the steepest descent iteration, that is,  $\mathcal{A}(\gamma_i) = \gamma_{i+1}$ .

If a weakly convergent sequence  $\{\gamma_j\}$  of absolutely continuous measures has densities with uniform bound  $C$ , then the limit  $\gamma$  is absolutely continuous measure. Indeed, for any open set

$O \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\liminf \gamma_k(O) \leq C \text{Leb}(O)$ , so  $\gamma(O) \leq C \text{Leb}(O)$  by the portmanteau Lemma. It follows that  $\gamma$  is absolutely continuous with density

bounded by  $C$ .  $\forall O \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\gamma_k(O) \leq C \text{Leb}(O)$ ,  $\forall k$

$$\liminf \gamma_k(O) \leq C \text{Leb}(O)$$

$$\gamma(O) \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_k(O) \leq C \text{Leb}(O)$$

$\Rightarrow \gamma$  has density function bounded  $C$ .

$\gamma_j \rightarrow \gamma$   
implies  $\uparrow$

# Convergence of Algorithm 1

## Proposition 5.3.6 (Uniform Density Bound)

For each  $i = 1, \dots, N$  denote by  $\underline{g}^i$  the density of  $\underline{\mu}^i$  (if it exists) and  $\|\underline{g}^i\|_\infty$  its supremum, taken to be infinite if  $\underline{g}^i$  does not exist (or if  $\underline{g}^i$  is unbounded). Let  $\gamma_0$  be any absolutely continuous probability measure. Then the density of  $\underline{\gamma}_1 = \mathcal{A}(\gamma_0)$  is bounded by the  $1/d$ -th harmonic mean of  $\|\underline{g}^i\|_\infty$ ,

$$C_\mu = \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\|\underline{g}^i\|_\infty^{1/d}} \right]^{-d} \quad \mathcal{I}^1 \dots \mathcal{I}^N$$

$< \infty$

The constant  $C_\mu$  depends only on the measures  $(\mu^1, \dots, \mu^N)$ , and is finite as long as one  $\mu^i$  has a bounded density, since  $C_\mu \leq N^d \|\underline{g}^i\|_\infty$  for any  $i$ .

# Convergence of Algorithm 1

## Proof of Proposition 5.3.6

let  $h_i$  denote the density function of  $\gamma_i$

$$\gamma_i = \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N t_{\gamma_0}^{g_j^i} \right] \# \gamma_0 = \left( t_{\gamma_0}^{g_i} \right) \# \gamma_0$$

$$x \rightarrow t_{\gamma_0}^{\gamma_i}(x)$$

$\gamma_0$

$$x \rightarrow t_{\gamma_0}^{g_i}(x)$$

$\gamma_0$

$\mu_i$

$$h_i \left( t_{\gamma_0}^{\gamma_i}(x) \right) = \frac{h_0(x)}{\det \nabla t_{\gamma_0}^{\gamma_i}(x)}$$

$$g_i \left( t_{\gamma_0}^{g_i}(x) \right) = \frac{h_0(x)}{\det \nabla t_{\gamma_0}^{g_i}(x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \nabla t_{\gamma_0}^{\gamma_i}(x) = \det \nabla \left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N t_{\gamma_0}^{g_j^i}(x) \right) = \frac{1}{N^d} \det \nabla \left( \sum_{j=1}^N t_{\gamma_0}^{g_j^i}(x) \right)$$

$$\int f(t_{\gamma_0}^{\gamma_i}(x)) d\gamma_0 = \int f(x) d t_{\gamma_0}^{\gamma_i} \# \gamma_0 = \int f(x) d\gamma_i$$

invoke a Lemma

Brunn-Minkowski inequality

$$\left[ \det(A+B) \right]^{1/d} \geq \left[ \det A \right]^{1/d} + \left[ \det B \right]^{1/d}$$
$$\left[ \det \nabla t_{\gamma_0}^{\gamma_i}(x) \right]^{1/d} = \frac{1}{N} \left[ \det \sum_{j=1}^N \nabla t_{\gamma_0}^{g_j^i}(x) \right]^{1/d} \geq \frac{1}{N} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^N \det \nabla t_{\gamma_0}^{g_j^i}(x) \right]^{1/d}$$

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$$\frac{1}{h_i^{1/d}(t_{\gamma_0}^{\varphi_1}(x))} = \frac{[\det \sum_{i=1}^N \nabla_{t_{\gamma_0}^{\mu_i}(x)}]^{1/d}}{N h_0^{1/d}(x)} \geq \frac{1}{N} \frac{[\sum_{i=1}^N \det \nabla_{t_{\gamma_0}^{\mu_i}(x)}]^{1/d}}{h_0^{1/d}(x)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{[\|g^i(t_{\gamma_0}^{\mu_i}(x))\|]^{1/d}} \geq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\|g^i\|_{\infty}^{1/d}} = C_{\mu}^{-1/d}$$

## Proposition 5.3.7

Let  $\{\gamma_n\}$  be a sequence of absolutely continuous measures with uniformly bounded densities, suppose that  $W_2(\gamma_n, \gamma) \rightarrow 0$ , and let

$$\gamma_n = \bar{x} \# \eta_j \quad \eta_j = (t_{\gamma_j}^{\mu_1}, \dots, t_{\gamma_j}^{\mu_n}) \# \gamma_j \Rightarrow \eta_j \rightarrow \eta$$

$$\gamma = \bar{x} \# \eta \quad \eta = (t_{\gamma}^{\mu_1}, \dots, t_{\gamma}^{\mu_n}) \# \gamma \Rightarrow \lambda(\eta_j) \rightarrow \lambda(\eta)$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^d)^{N+1}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda(\eta_j) \rightarrow \lambda(\eta)$

Then  $\eta_j \rightarrow \eta$  in  $\mathcal{W}((\mathbb{R}^d)^{N+1})$ .

$$\gamma_0, \text{ d.s.} \quad \Sigma \subset \mathbb{R}^d, \quad \gamma_0(\Sigma) = 1.$$

$$\gamma_1(t_{\gamma_0}^{\varphi_1}(\Sigma)) = \gamma_0[(t_{\gamma_0}^{\varphi_1})^{-1}(t_{\gamma_0}^{\varphi_1}(\Sigma))] \geq \gamma_0(\Sigma) = 1 \quad \#$$

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## The sketch of proof

Theorem 2.21:  $\forall h = (\mathbb{R}^d)^{N+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$|h(t_1, \dots, t_N, y)| \leq \frac{2}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \|t_i\|^2 + 2\|y\|^2$$

a.d.  $\int h d\gamma_n \rightarrow \int h d\gamma \Rightarrow \gamma_n \rightarrow \gamma$  in  $\mathcal{W}_2(\mathbb{R}^{d(N+1)})$

$$g_n(x) : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad g_n(x) = h(t_{\gamma_n}^{n,1}(x), \dots, t_{\gamma_n}^{n,N}(x), x)$$

$$g(x) = h(t_{\gamma}^{1,1}(x), \dots, t_{\gamma}^{N,N}(x), x)$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g_n(x) d\gamma_n = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h(t_{\gamma_n}^{n,1}(x), \dots, x) d\gamma_n$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h d \left( \underbrace{t_{\gamma_n}^{n,1}(x), \dots, t_{\gamma_n}^{n,N}(x), x}_{\gamma_n} \right) \# \gamma_n$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h d\gamma_n$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g d\gamma = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} h d\gamma$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g_n d\gamma_n \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g d\gamma}$$

# Convergence of Algorithm 1

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \underbrace{g_{n,R}}_{\mathcal{L}_n \rightarrow \mathcal{L}} = \min \{g_n, \mathbb{1}_R\} \quad \text{approximate } \underline{g}_n$$

$$\sup_n \int [g_n(x) - g_{n,R}(x)] d\gamma_n(x) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \int g_{n,R} d\gamma_n - \int g_R d\gamma = \int g_R d(\gamma_n - \gamma) + \int_{\Omega} (g_{n,R} - g_R) d\gamma_n$$

$$+ \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \Omega} (g_{n,R} - g_R) d\gamma_n$$

Corollary 5.3.8 (Continuity of  $A$ )

If  $W_2(\gamma_n, \gamma) \rightarrow 0$  and  $\gamma_n$  have uniformly bounded densities, then

$$A(\gamma_n) \rightarrow \gamma. \quad \mathcal{L}_n = \left[ \frac{N + \mu^1}{N + \mu^1} \gamma_{n-1} \right] \gamma_{n-1}$$

$$\Omega_1 \subseteq \text{SUPP } \gamma \quad \underline{g}_n \rightarrow \underline{g} \quad \text{uniformly on } \underline{\Omega}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \text{portmanteau lemma} \Rightarrow \int g_R d(\gamma_n - \gamma) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\int_{\Omega} (g_{n,R} - g_R) d\gamma_n \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{since uniformly converge}$$

$$\gamma \left[ \underline{\mathbb{R}^d / \Omega} \right] < \varepsilon$$

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# Gaussian Measures

The optimal maps between centred nondegenerate Gaussian measures with covariances A and B  $A \rightarrow B$

$$\underline{t_A^B}(x) = \left[ A^{-1/2} \left[ A^{1/2} B A^{1/2} \right]^{1/2} A^{-1/2} \right] x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

The Frechet mean of a collection of Gaussian measures does not admit a closed-form formula and is only known to be a Gaussian measure whose covariance matrix  $\Gamma$  is the unique invertible root of the matrix equation

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \Gamma^{1/2} S_i \Gamma^{1/2} \right]^{1/2}$$

where  $S_i$  is the covariance of  $\mu^i$ .

## Theorem 5.4.1 (Convergence in Gaussian Case)

Let  $\mu^1, \dots, \mu^N$  be Gaussian measures with zero means and covariance matrices  $S_i$  with  $S_1$  nonsingular, and let the initial point  $\gamma_0$  be  $N(0, \Gamma_0)$  with  $\Gamma_0$  nonsingular. Then the sequences of iterates generated by Algorithm 1 converges to the unique Fréchet mean of  $(\mu^1, \dots, \mu^N)$

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## Proof of Theorem 5.4.1

$$\gamma_0 \sim N(0, \Gamma_0), \quad \underline{\gamma}_1 = \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N t_{\gamma_0}^{y_i(x)} \right] \# \gamma_0 \\ = \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \Gamma_1(x) \right] \# \gamma_0$$

$\underline{\gamma}_k \sim N(0, \Gamma_k)$ , where  $\Gamma_k$  is nonsingular.

$\gamma_k \Rightarrow \underline{\gamma}$  It suffices to show  $\gamma$  is Gaussian measure

$$\underline{\Gamma}_k \rightarrow \Gamma, \Rightarrow \frac{\phi_k(t)}{e^{-\frac{1}{2} t^T \Gamma_k t}} \rightarrow \frac{\phi(t)}{e^{-\frac{1}{2} t^T \Gamma t}}$$

• Levy's continuity Theorem  $\Rightarrow N(0, \Gamma_k) \Rightarrow N(0, \Gamma)$  weakly

$$\mu \sim N(0, S), W_2^2(\mu, \sigma_0) = \text{tr}(S)$$

$$0 \leq \text{tr}(\underline{\Gamma}_k) = W_2^2(\underline{\gamma}_k, \sigma_0) \quad C = \sup_k \text{tr}(\underline{\Gamma}_k) < \infty$$

$\sum |A_{ij}| \leq A_{ii} + A_{jj} \Rightarrow \{\underline{\Gamma}_k\}$  is bounded sequence. #

# Gaussian Measures

Figure 5.1 shows density plots of  $N = 4$  centred Gaussian measures on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with covariances  $[S_i] \sim \text{Wishart}(I_2, 2)$

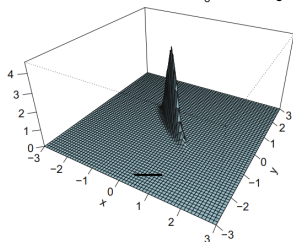
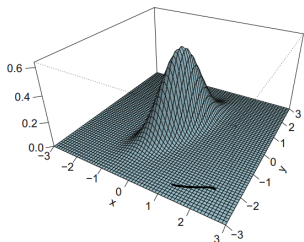
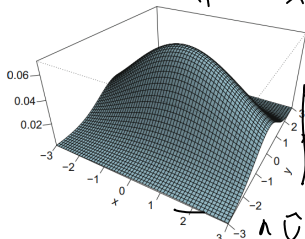
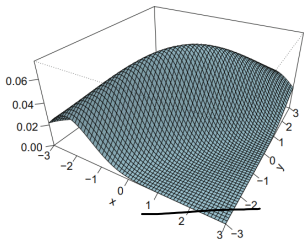
Wishart distribution:

$$X_1 \cdots X_n \sim N_p(0, \underline{V})$$

$$\hat{V} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i X_i^T$$

$$\begin{cases} p=1, \\ X_1 \cdots X_n \sim N(0, \sigma^2) \\ \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \end{cases}$$

$$n \hat{V} \sim \text{Wishart}(V, n)$$



# Gaussian Measures

Figure 5.2 shows the density of the resulting Fréchet mean. The corresponding optimal maps are displayed in Figure 5.3.

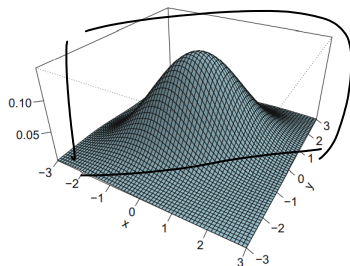
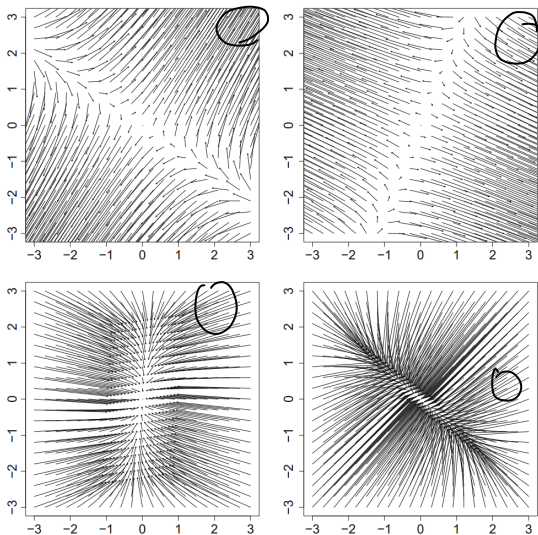


Fig. 5.2: Density plot of the Fréchet mean of the measures in Fig. 5.1

# Gaussian Measures

$$\int \mu_i + \int \nu_i = \int \dots$$

The corresponding optimal maps are displayed in Figure 5.3.



# Compatible Measures

Recall that a collection  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{W}_{\mathbb{F}}(\mathcal{X})$  is compatible if for all  $\underline{\gamma}, \underline{\rho}, \underline{\mu} \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $\underline{t}_{\underline{\mu}}^{\underline{\rho}} \circ \underline{t}_{\underline{\gamma}}^{\underline{\mu}} = \underline{t}_{\underline{\gamma}}^{\underline{\rho}}$  in  $L_2(\underline{\gamma})$ .

## Lemma 5.4.2 (Compatibility and Convergence)

If  $\gamma_0 \cup \{\mu^i\}$  is compatible, then Algorithm 1 converges to the Fréchet mean of  $\{\mu^i\}$  after a single step

## Proof of Lemma 5.4.2

By definition, the next iterate is

$$\gamma_1 = \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N t_{\gamma_0}^{\mu^i} \right]_{\# \gamma_0}$$

$\mu_1 \dots \mu_N$   
 $\gamma_1 = \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N t_{\mu_1}^{\mu^i} \right]_{\# \mu_1}$   
 $\boxed{N-1}$       $t_{\mu_1}^{\mu_1} = \text{id}$

which is the Fréchet mean by Theorem 3.1.9.

# Compatible Measures

$$\mu, \nu, \gamma \Rightarrow t_{\mu}^{\nu} \circ t_{\gamma}^{\mu} = F_{\nu}^{-1} \circ F_{\mu} \circ F_{\mu}^{-1} \circ F_{\gamma}$$

## The One-Dimensional Case

$$t_{\mu}^{\nu} = F_{\nu}^{-1} \circ F_{\mu} = F_{\nu}^{-1} \circ \bar{F}_{\gamma} \\ t_{\gamma}^{\mu} = \bar{F}_{\mu}^{-1} \circ F_{\gamma} = \bar{F}_{\mu}^{-1} \circ \bar{F}_{\gamma} = \underline{t_{\gamma}^{\nu}}$$

$$f^i(x) = \frac{1}{2} \phi\left(\frac{x - m_1^i}{\sigma_1^i}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \phi\left(\frac{x - m_2^i}{\sigma_2^i}\right)$$

where  $\phi$  is the standard normal density, and the parameters are generated independently as

$$\underline{\gamma}_0 \quad f^1, \dots, f^4$$

$$\underline{m_1^i} \sim U[-13, -3], \quad \underline{m_1^i} \sim U[3, 13], \quad \underline{\sigma_1^i}, \underline{\sigma_2^i} \sim \text{Gamma}(4, 4)$$

$$X > m_3^i$$

$$f^i(x) = \frac{3}{5} \frac{\beta_i^3}{\Gamma(3)} \underbrace{\left(x - \underline{m_3^i}\right)^2 e^{-\beta_i(x - \underline{m_3^i})}} + \frac{2}{5} \phi(x - m_4^i)$$

where  $\beta^i \sim \text{Gamma}(4, 1)$ ,  $m_3^i \sim U[1, 4]$ ,  $m_4^i \sim U[-4, -1]$ .

# Compatible Measures

Figure 5.4 plots univariate densities and Fréchet mean respectively.

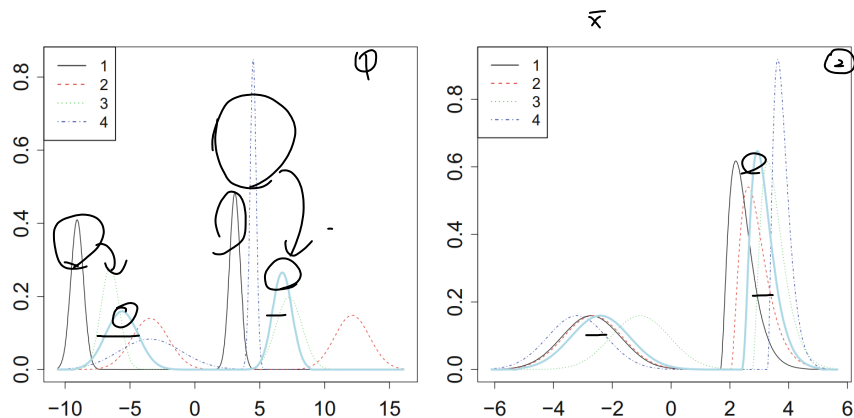


Fig. 5.4: Densities of a bimodal Gaussian mixture (left) and a mixture of a Gaussian with a gamma (right), with the Fréchet mean density in light blue

# Compatible Measures

Figure 5.5 shows the optimal maps pushing the Fréchet mean  $\bar{\mu}$  to the measures  $(\underline{\mu}^1, \dots, \underline{\mu}^N)$  in each case.

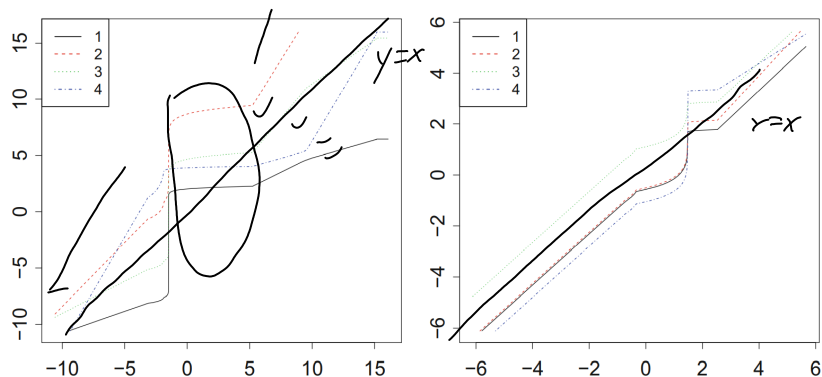


Fig. 5.5: Optimal maps  $t_{\bar{\mu}}^{\mu^i}$  from the Fréchet mean  $\bar{\mu}$  to the four measures  $\{\mu^i\}$  in Fig. 5.4. The left plot corresponds to the bimodal Gaussian mixture, and the right plot to the Gaussian/gamma mixture

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# Population Version of Algorithm 1

Let  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{W}_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be a random measure with finite Fréchet functional. We assume that

$$\checkmark \quad q = \mathbb{P}(\Lambda \text{ absolutely continuous with density by } M) > 0$$

$\underbrace{\{\Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_n\}}_{\leftarrow \underline{q}_n} \quad \underline{q}_n \rightarrow q \quad \text{almost sure}$

we can define a population version of Algorithm 1 with the iteration function

$$A(\gamma) = [\underline{\mathbb{E} t_\gamma^\Lambda}]_{\# \gamma}$$

where  $\gamma \in \mathcal{W}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

$$\gamma \text{ is absolutely continuous} \quad A(\gamma) = \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N t_\gamma^{h_i} \right]_{\# \gamma}$$

# Population Version of Algorithm 1

## Lemma 5.5.1

Any descent iterate  $\gamma$  has density bounded by  $q^{-d} M$ , where  $q$  and  $M$  are as in (5.7).  $\mathcal{L}(\varphi)$

## Proof

fix  $w \in \Omega$  ( $\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}$ )  
Let  $\Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_n$  be a sample from  $\Lambda$  and let  $q_n$  be the proportion of measures in  $(\Lambda_1, \dots, \Lambda_n)$  that have density bounded by  $M$ . By the law of large numbers, we have

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_{\gamma}^{\Lambda_i} \rightarrow \mathbb{E} t_{\gamma}^{\Lambda}, \quad q_n \rightarrow q$$

almost sure.

Recall the Lemma 2.4.5 states that  $\mu \in \mathcal{W}_p(\mathcal{X})$  is a continuous mapping from  $\mathcal{L}_p(\mu)$  to  $\mathcal{W}_p(\mathcal{X})$ .  $\{t_n\} \mathcal{L}, t_n \rightarrow t$   
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (t_n \# \mu) = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n) \# \mu$

# Population Version of Algorithm 1

## Continued

Therefore

$$\underbrace{A(\gamma)} = \underbrace{[Et_\gamma^\wedge]_{\#_\gamma}} = \underbrace{\left[ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_\gamma^{\wedge i} \right]_{\#_\gamma}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_\gamma^{\wedge i} \right]_{\#_\gamma}}_{\text{empirical case } A(\gamma)}$$

Let  $\Lambda_n = \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_\gamma^{\wedge i} \right]_{\#_\gamma}$ . Proposition 5.3.6 (empirical case) gives that  $\lambda_n$  has density bounded by  $q_n^{-d} M$  which goes to  $q^{-d} M$  almost sure. So for any  $C > q^{-d} M$ , we have  $\lambda_n$  has density bounded by  $C$  as long as  $n$  large enough. By the portmanteau Lemma,  $A(\gamma) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n$  has density bounded by  $C$ . Let  $C \searrow q^{-d} M$  gives the desired conclusion.

$A(\gamma)$  has density function bounded by  $q^{-d} M$

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$$\begin{aligned} \underline{A}(\gamma) &= \left[ \underline{\mathbb{E} t_\gamma^\wedge} \right]_{\# \gamma} \\ &= \left[ \frac{\mathbb{E} t_\gamma^\wedge}{\# \gamma} \right]_{\# \gamma} = \underline{i} \end{aligned}$$

By the Proposition 3.2.14,  $\gamma$  is a Karcher mean of  $\underline{\Lambda}$  iff  $\underline{\mathbb{E} t_\gamma^\wedge} = \underline{i}$ . Therefore Lemma 5.5.1 ensures the Karcher mean has a bounded density since  $\gamma = i_{\# \gamma} = [\mathbb{E} t_\gamma^\wedge]_{\# \gamma}$ . The similar conclusion can be done for Frechet mean as following Theorem.

## Theorem 5.5.2 (Bounded Density for Population Frechet Mean)

Let  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{W}_p(\mathbb{R}_d)$  be a random measure with finite Frechet functional. If  $\Lambda$  has a bounded density with positive probability, then the Frechet mean of  $\Lambda$  is absolutely continuous with a bounded density.

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## Proof

Denote the empirical Frechet mean of the sample  $(\underline{\Lambda}_1, \dots, \underline{\Lambda}_n)$  by  $\underline{\lambda}_n$ , which has density bounded by  $q_n^{-d} M$ . Fix  $\omega \in \Omega$ , almost sure Proposition 3.2.7 ensures that there is a unique Frechet mean  $\lambda$  of  $\underline{\Lambda}$ , and  $\underline{\lambda}_n \rightarrow \lambda$  in  $\mathcal{W}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  almost sure by Corollary 3.2.10. Let  $\underline{C} > q^{-d} M$ . Since  $q_n^{-d} M \rightarrow q^{-d} M$  almost sure, we have  $\underline{\lambda}_n$  has density bounded by  $\underline{C}$  when  $n$  is large enough. So by portmanteau Lemma,  $\lambda$  has density bounded by  $q^{-d} M$ . Let  $\underline{C} \searrow q^{-d} M$  gives the desired conclusion.

We have discussed the empirical version of this result in Proposition (3.1.8).

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Theorem 3.1.9 states that if  $\{\gamma, \mu^1, \dots, \mu^N\}$  are compatible measures, then  $\left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N t_{\gamma}^{\mu^i} \right]_{\#_{\gamma}}$  is the Frechet mean of  $\{\mu^1, \dots, \mu^N\}$ .

The population version of Theorem 3.1.9 is

## Theorem 5.5.3 (Frechet Mean of Compatible Measures)

Let  $\Lambda : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}) \rightarrow \mathcal{W}_2(\mathbb{R})$  be a random measure with finite Frechet functional, and suppose that with positive probability  $\Lambda$  is absolutely continuous and has bounded density. If the collect  $\{\gamma\} \cup \overline{\Lambda(\Omega)}$  is compatible and  $\gamma$  is absolutely continuous, then  $\left[ \mathbb{E} t_{\gamma}^{\Lambda} \right]_{\#_{\gamma}}$  is the Frechet mean of  $\Lambda$ .