

Lecture 10

Recall:

Proposition: Suppose X is a Polish space and $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$ is lsc and bdd below. Then $\forall \mu \in \mathcal{M}^s(X)$

$$\sup \left\{ \int g d\mu : g \in C_b(X), g \leq f \right\} \\ = \begin{cases} \int f d\mu & \text{if } \mu \in \mathcal{M}(X) \\ +\infty & \text{if } \mu \in \mathcal{M}^s(X) \setminus \mathcal{M}(X) \end{cases}$$

Pf: Exercise 20

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How should we choose $Z, U, F(z, u)$ so that KP coincides with...
 $\sup_{v \in U^*} g(v)$, where $g(v) := -F^*(0, v)$.

$$D_0 = \sup_{v \in U^*} \inf_{(z, u) \in Z \times U} F(z, u) - \langle v, u \rangle \quad ?$$

$$F^*(y, v) = \sup_{(z, u) \in Z \times U} \langle y, z \rangle + \langle v, u \rangle - F(z, u)$$

In the case of KP...

$$-KP = -\inf_{\gamma \in \mathcal{M}^s(X \times Y)} |K_c(\gamma)| + \chi_{\Gamma(\mu, \nu)}(\gamma) + \chi_{\mathcal{M}(X \times Y)}(\gamma)$$

$$= -\inf_{\gamma \in \mathcal{M}^s(X \times Y)} \sup_{(\varphi, \psi) \in (c(X) \times (c(Y) + \langle \nu - \pi^{\#} \gamma, \psi \rangle) + \chi_{\mathcal{M}(X \times Y)}(\gamma)}$$

$$= \sup_{\gamma \in \mathcal{M}^s(X \times Y)} \inf_{(\varphi, \psi) \in (c(X) \times (c(Y) + \langle \pi^{\#} \gamma - \mu, \varphi \rangle) + \langle \pi^{\#} \gamma - \nu, \psi \rangle - \chi_{\mathcal{M}(X \times Y)}(\gamma)}$$

Gathering the δ 's...

$$-Kc(\delta) + \langle \pi^{\#} \delta - \mu, \varphi \rangle + \langle \pi^{\#} \delta - \nu, \psi \rangle - \chi_{\mathcal{C}(X \times Y)}(\delta)$$

$$= -\int \varphi d\mu - \int \psi d\nu - \int \underbrace{c(x,y) - \varphi(\pi^{\#}(x,y)) - \psi(\pi^{\#}(x,y))}_{\text{isc and bdd below}} d\delta - \chi_{\mathcal{C}(X \times Y)}(\delta)$$

$$= -\int \varphi d\mu - \int \psi d\nu - \sup_{\substack{u \in C_b(X \times Y), \\ u(x,y) \leq c(x,y) - \varphi(x) - \psi(y)}} \int u(x,y) d\delta$$

$$= \inf_{u \in C_b(X \times Y)} \underbrace{-\int \varphi d\mu - \int \psi d\nu + \chi(u)}_{F(\varphi, \psi), u} - \int u(x,y) d\delta$$

$$C := \{u \in C_b(X \times Y) : u(x,y) \leq c(x,y) - \varphi(x) - \psi(y)\}$$

THUS

-KP

$$= \sup_{\delta \in \mathcal{M}^s(X \times Y)} \inf_{(\varphi, \psi) \in C_b(X) \times C_b(Y)} \inf_{u \in \mathcal{U}(X \times Y)} F((\varphi, \psi), u) - \langle u, \delta \rangle$$

For simplicity, assume (X, d_X) and (Y, d_Y) are compact metric spaces.

$$\text{Fact: } (C(X))^* = \mathcal{M}^s(X)$$

What is the corresponding **primal problem**?

$$F: X \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\}$$

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$$\text{primal problem: } P_0 := \inf_{x \in X} f(x), \quad f(x) = F(x, 0)$$

By defn of F ,

$$P_0 = \sup_{(\varphi, \psi) \in C_b(X) \times C_b(Y)} \int \varphi d\mu + \int \psi d\nu$$
$$\varphi(x) + \psi(y) \leq c(x, y) \quad \forall x \in X, y \in Y.$$

Now: prove $P_0 = D_0$ for (KP)

Thm: Suppose $(X, d_X), (Y, d_Y)$ are cpt Polish spaces and $c \in C(X \times Y), c \geq 0$. Then $\forall \mu \in \mathcal{P}(X), \nu \in \mathcal{P}(Y)$,

$$\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma(\mu, \nu)} K(\gamma) = \sup_{(\varphi, \psi) \in C(X) \times C(Y)} \int \varphi d\mu + \int \psi d\nu$$

$\varphi + \psi \leq c$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{= D_0} \qquad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{= P_0}$

Furthermore, the maximum is attained.

Lemma: Let (X, d_X) be a metric space and A a set. Suppose \mathcal{F} is a collection of functions $f: X \times A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Suppose $\{\varphi(\cdot, \alpha) : f \in \mathcal{F}, \alpha \in A\}$ is e-cts. Then $\{\sup_{\alpha \in A} f(\cdot, \alpha) : f \in \mathcal{F}\}$ is e-cts.

Pf: Exercise 19

"Double convexification trick"

Prop: Suppose $(X, d_X), (Y, d_Y)$ are cpt and $c: X \times Y \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ cts.

Given

$$\{(\varphi_i, \psi_i)\}_{i \in I} \subseteq C(X) \times C(Y), \varphi_i \geq 0$$

$$\{u_i\}_{i \in I} \subseteq C(X \times Y) \text{ unif bdd, e-cts}$$

$$F(\varphi_i, \psi_i, u_i) < +\infty \quad \forall i \in I.$$

define

$$\tilde{\varphi}_i(x) = \inf_{y \in Y} c(x, y) - u_i(x, y) - \psi_i(y)$$

$$\tilde{\psi}_i(y) = \inf_{x \in X} c(x, y) - u_i(x, y) - \tilde{\varphi}_i(x).$$

Then, $\{\tilde{\varphi}_i\}_{i \in I}$, $\{\tilde{\psi}_i\}_{i \in I}$ are
unif bdd and e-cts and
 $F(\tilde{\varphi}_i, \tilde{\psi}_i, u_i) \leq F(\varphi_i, \psi_i, u_i)$.

Pl:

Since $F(\varphi_i, \psi_i, u_i) < +\infty$,

$$u_i(x, y) + \underbrace{\varphi_i(x)}_{v_i} + \psi_i(y) \leq c(x, y) \quad \forall x, y$$
$$u_i(x, y) + \psi_i(y)$$

Thus, $\sup_{i \in I, y \in Y} \psi_i(y) < +\infty$.

- By definition of $\tilde{\varphi}_i$,
- $\varphi_i(x) \leq \tilde{\varphi}_i(x)$, $u(x, y) + \tilde{\varphi}_i(x) + \psi_i(y)$
 - By lemma $\{\tilde{\varphi}_i\}_{i \in I}$ e-cts $\leq c(x, y)$
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... will finish next time ...

Recall: Given a compact metric space X , $\mathcal{F} \subseteq C(X)$, Arzelà-Ascoli ensures

\mathcal{F} unif bdd, equicont $\Leftrightarrow \overline{\mathcal{F}}$ compact.

Now, use this fact to prove $P_0 = D_0$ for Kantorovich problem

Pf:

$$F((\varphi, \psi), u) = - \int \varphi d\mu - \int \psi d\nu$$

$$+ \chi_{\{u(x,y) + \varphi(x) + \psi(y) \leq c(x,y)\}}((\varphi, \psi), u)$$

$$P(u) = \inf_{(\varphi, \psi) \in C(X) \times C(Y)} F((\varphi, \psi), u)$$

By theorem on equivalence

of primal and dual problems,
it suffices to show...

Step 1: F is convex

Step 2: $P(0) < +\infty$

Step 3: P is lsc at 0

... to conclude $P_0 = D_0$

Step 4: Prove the primal
problem has a sol'n.

Step 1 This can be seen from
the defn of F .

Step 2 $P(0) \leq F((0,0),0) = 0 < +\infty$.

Step 3 | Suppose $u_n \rightarrow 0$.

We must show

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(u_n) \geq P(0).$$

uniformly on $X \times Y$

WLOG, suppose $+\infty > \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(u_n)$.

Let u_{n_k} denote a subsequence s.t.

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P(u_{n_k}) = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(u_n)$$

This ensures $P(u_{n_k}) < +\infty \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$,

Suppose $P(u_{n_k}) > -\infty$.

so by defn of infimum, $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$,
 $\exists (\varphi_{n_k}, \psi_{n_k}) \in (X) \times (Y)$ s.t.

$$+\infty > P(u_{n_k}) \geq F((\varphi_{n_k}, \psi_{n_k}), u_{n_k}) - \frac{1}{k}.$$

Note that, $\forall C_n \in \mathbb{R}$, defining

$$\bar{\varphi}_n := \varphi_n + C_n, \quad \bar{\psi}_n := \psi_n - C_n,$$

we have

$$F((\varphi_n, \psi_n), u_n) = F((\bar{\varphi}_n, \bar{\psi}_n), u_n)$$

Thus, we may assume $\varphi_{n_k} \geq 0$.

Since $u_{n_k} \rightarrow 0$, $\{u_{n_k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ unif bdd, e-cts.

By Double Convexification Lemma,
 $\exists \{\tilde{\varphi}_{n_k}\}, \{\tilde{\psi}_{n_k}\}$ are
unif bdd and e-cts and
 $F((\tilde{\varphi}_{n_k}, \tilde{\psi}_{n_k}), u_{n_k}) \leq F((\varphi_{n_k}, \psi_{n_k}), u_{n_k})$.

Thus,

$$+\infty > \mathcal{P}(u_{n_k}) \geq F((\tilde{\varphi}_{n_k}, \tilde{\psi}_{n_k}), u_{n_k}) - \frac{1}{k}.$$

By Arzelà-Ascoli, \exists further subsequences $\tilde{\varphi}_{n_k}, \tilde{\psi}_{n_k}$ s.t.
 $\tilde{\varphi}_{n_k} \rightarrow \varphi_* \in (X), \tilde{\psi}_{n_k} \rightarrow \psi_* \in (Y).$

Since by definition,

$$u_{n_k}(x, y) + \tilde{\varphi}_{n_k}(x) + \tilde{\psi}_{n_k}(y) \leq c(x, y)$$

$\downarrow k \rightarrow \infty$

$$0 + \varphi_*(x) + \psi_*(y) \leq c(x, y)$$

Therefore,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P(u_{n_k}) \geq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} F(\tilde{\varphi}_{n_k}, \tilde{\psi}_{n_k}, u_{n_k})$$

$$\stackrel{DCT}{\downarrow} = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} - \int \tilde{\varphi}_{n_k} d\mu - \int \tilde{\psi}_{n_k} d\nu$$

$$= - \int \varphi_* d\mu - \int \psi_* d\nu$$

$$= F(\varphi_*, \psi_*, 0)$$

$$\geq \inf_{(\varphi, \psi)} F(\varphi, \psi, 0)$$

$$= P(0).$$

Thus, P is lsc at zero, so $P_0 = D_0$.

Step 4: It remains to show \exists optimizer for primal problem.

Consider $u_n \equiv 0$ in previous argument. Taking Q_*, Ψ_* as above,

$$\begin{aligned} P(0) &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P(u_{n_k}) \\ &= F((Q_*, \Psi_*), 0) = f((Q_*, \Psi_*)) \\ &\geq \inf_{(Q, \Psi)} F((Q, \Psi), 0) = \inf_{(Q, \Psi)} f(Q, \Psi) \\ &= P^*(0). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, equality holds throughout, and (Q_*, Ψ_*) is optimizer for primal.

Exercise 21: Extend the previous theorem equating $P_0 = D_0$ to the case where c is lsc and bdd below.

What about X, Y noncompact?

Key difficulty: no more Arzela-Ascoli.

• For X, Y Polish spaces, one can still prove $P_0 = D_0$.

• In general, need to enlarge the space $C_b(X) \times C_b(X)$ to get existence of optimizers (φ^*, ψ^*) .

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Alert: common terminology abuse

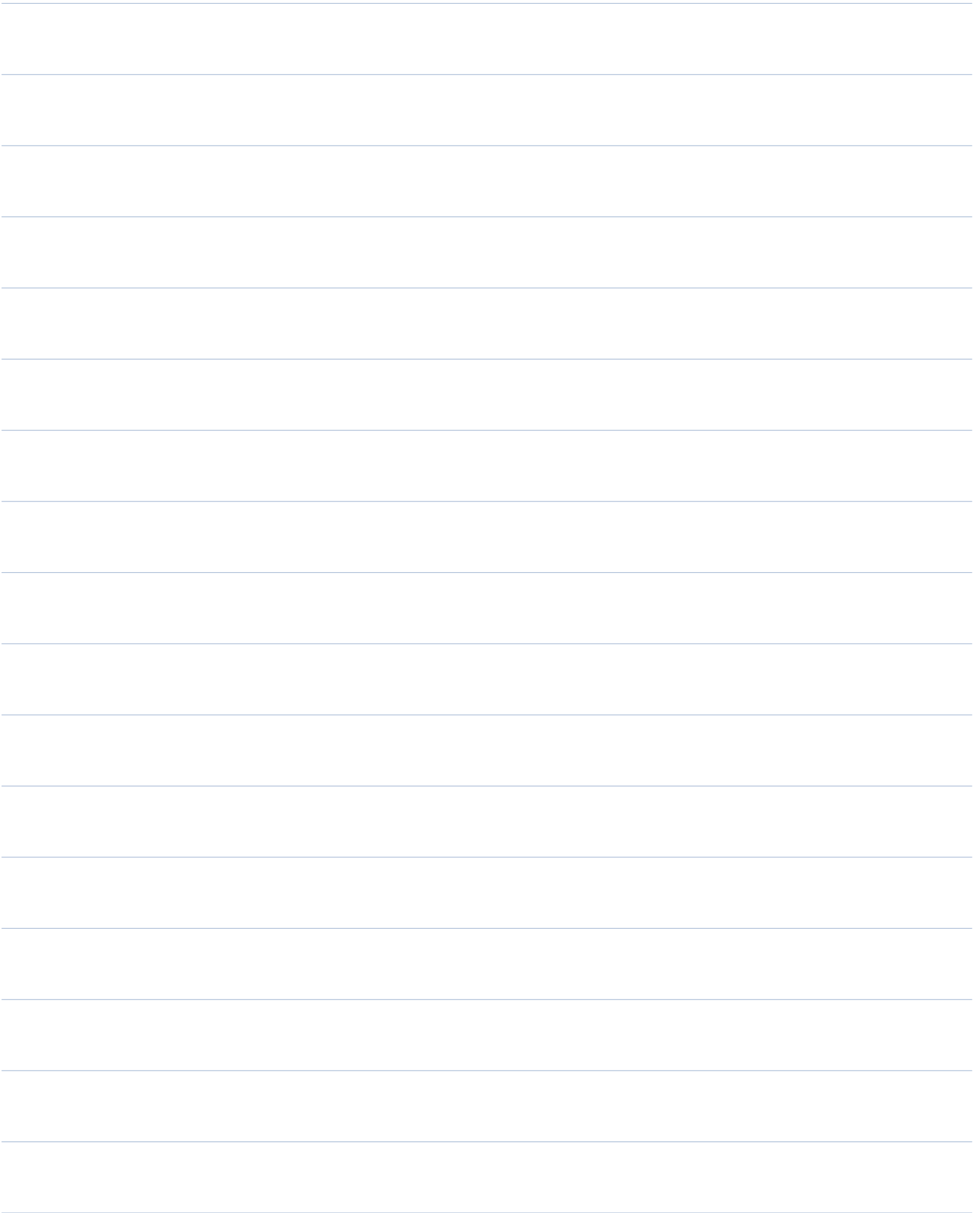
$$\inf_{\gamma \in \Gamma(\mu, \nu)} K(\gamma) = \sup_{\substack{(\varphi, \psi) \in C(X) \times C(X) \\ \varphi \oplus \psi \leq c}} \int \varphi d\mu + \int \psi d\nu$$

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"Primal"

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"Dual"

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From Kantorovich back to Monge



Exercise 22: Consider $(X, d) = (\mathbb{R}^2, |\cdot|)$
 $\mu = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_{(-1,-1)} + \delta_{(1,1)})$, $\nu = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_{(-1,1)} + \delta_{(1,-1)})$

Show that $f_*(\underline{x}) = f_*(x_1, x_2) = |x_1 - x_2|$
satisfies (i) above and find
two distinct OT plans satisfying (ii).

Exercise 23: Double convexification for quadratic cost on \mathbb{R}^d .

Given $(\varphi, \psi) \in C(\mathbb{R}^d) \times C(\mathbb{R}^d)$
s.t. $F(\varphi, \psi, 0) < +\infty$, define

$$\tilde{\varphi}(y) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} |x-y|^2 - \psi(y),$$

$$\tilde{\psi}(x) = \inf_{y \in \mathbb{R}^d} |x-y|^2 - \tilde{\varphi}(x).$$

Then,

$$(i) f(x) := \frac{1}{2}(|x|^2 - \tilde{\varphi}(x)) \in L^1(\mu)$$

and is proper, lsc, convex

$$(ii) f^\star(y) = \frac{1}{2}(|y|^2 - \tilde{\psi}(y))$$

$$(iii) F(\tilde{\varphi}, \tilde{\psi}, 0) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} F(\varphi, \psi, 0).$$

Remark: $\tilde{\Phi}_i, \tilde{\Psi}_i$ are the Moreau-Yosida regularizations of $-\Psi_i, -\Phi_i$ with respect to the square distance

