

Wasserstein 距離にまつわる確率解析

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1. What is Wasserstein distance?

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$\Pi(\mu, \nu)$: set of couplings between μ & ν i.e.

$$\Pi(\mu, \nu) \subset \mathcal{P}(X \times X),$$

$$\Pi(\mu, \nu) := \left\{ \pi \mid \begin{array}{l} \pi(A \times X) = \mu(A), \\ \pi(X \times A) = \nu(A) \end{array} \right\}$$

L^p -Wasserstein distance

For $p \in [1, \infty]$, $\mu, \nu \in \mathcal{P}(X)$

$$W_p(\mu, \nu) := \inf_{\pi \in \Pi(\mu, \nu)} \|d\|_{L^p(\pi)} \in [0, \infty]$$

L^p -Wasserstein space

$\mathcal{P}_p(M) \subset \mathcal{P}(M)$,

$$\mathcal{P}_p(M) := \left\{ \mu \mid \int_M d(\exists x, y)^p \mu(dy) < \infty \right\}$$

- $W_p(\mu, \nu) < \infty$ for $\mu, \nu \in \mathcal{P}_p(M)$

Alternative definition of W_p

For $\mu, \nu \in \mathcal{P}(M)$,

$$W_p(\mu, \nu) = \inf_{(X, Y)} \mathbb{E}[d(X, Y)^p]^{1/p},$$

where the infimum runs over

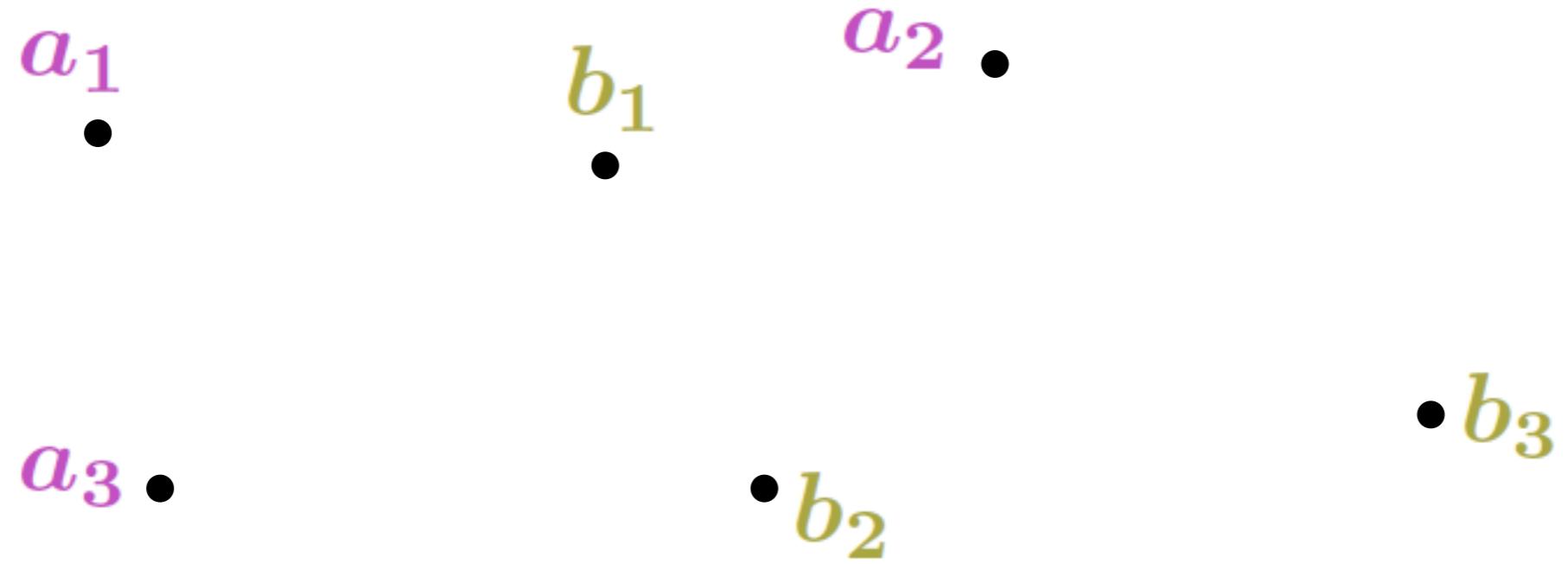
- (X, Y) : $M \times M$ -valued r.v.s,
- $X \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\sim} \mu, Y \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\sim} \nu$

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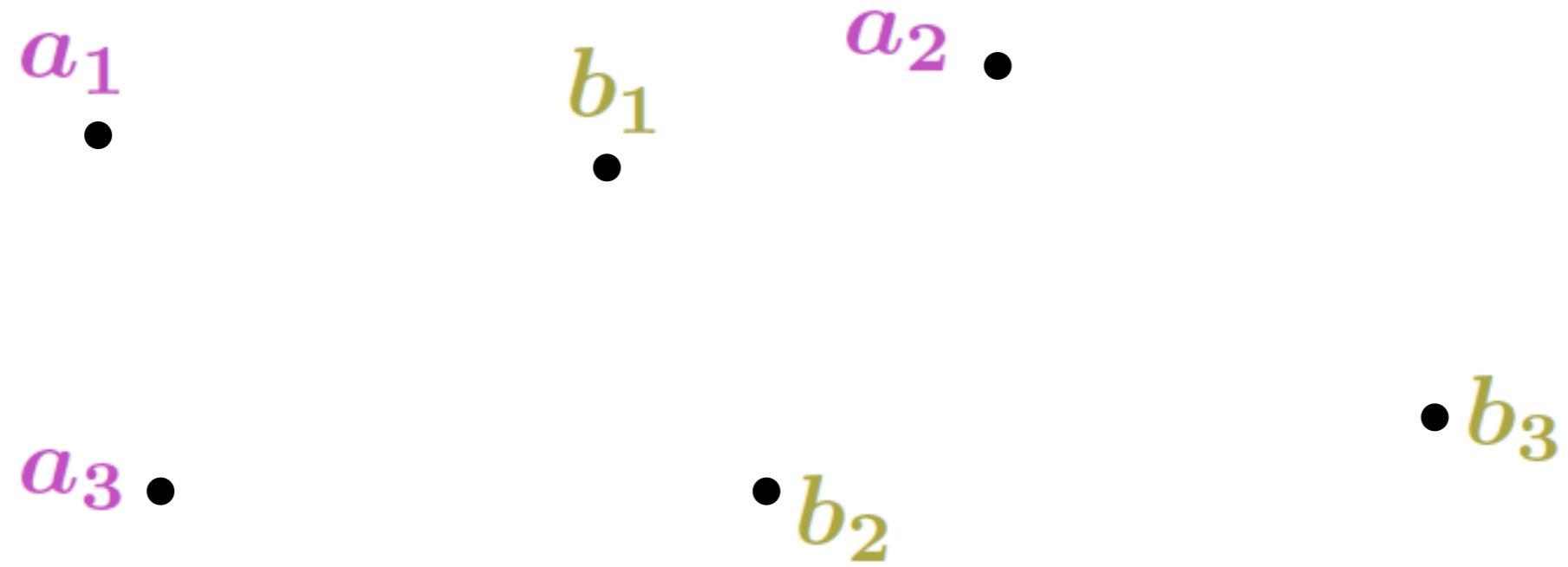
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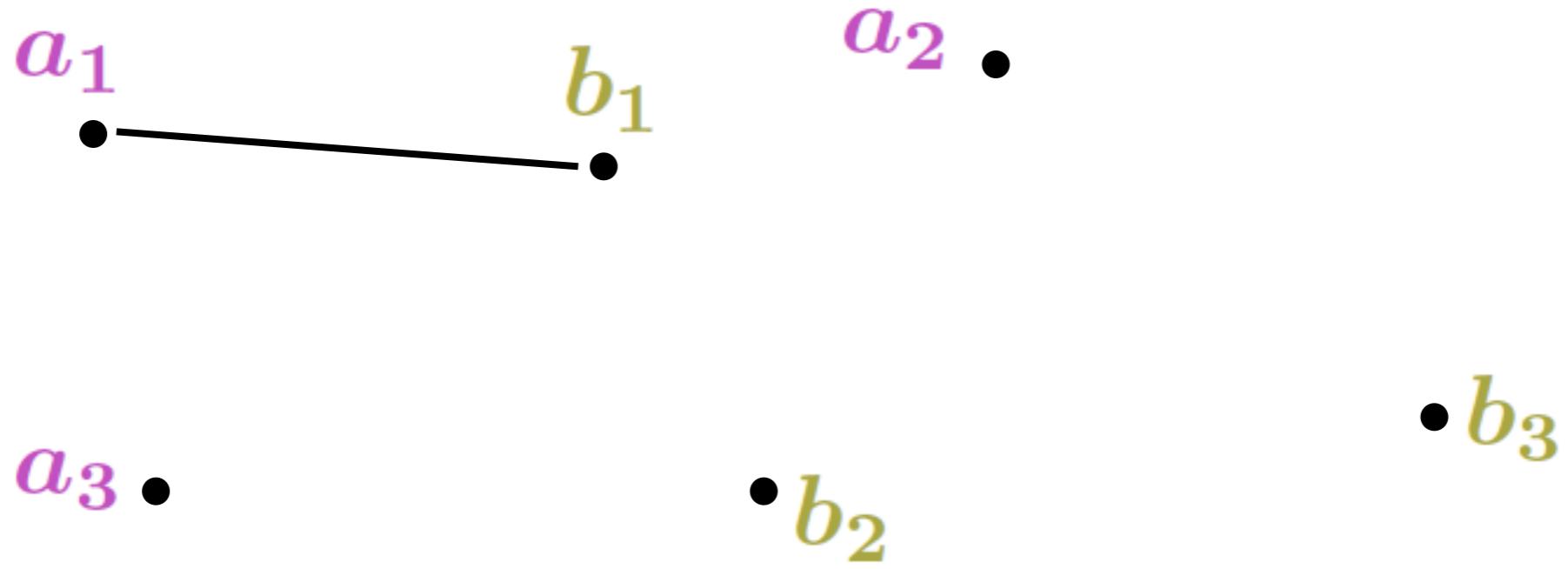


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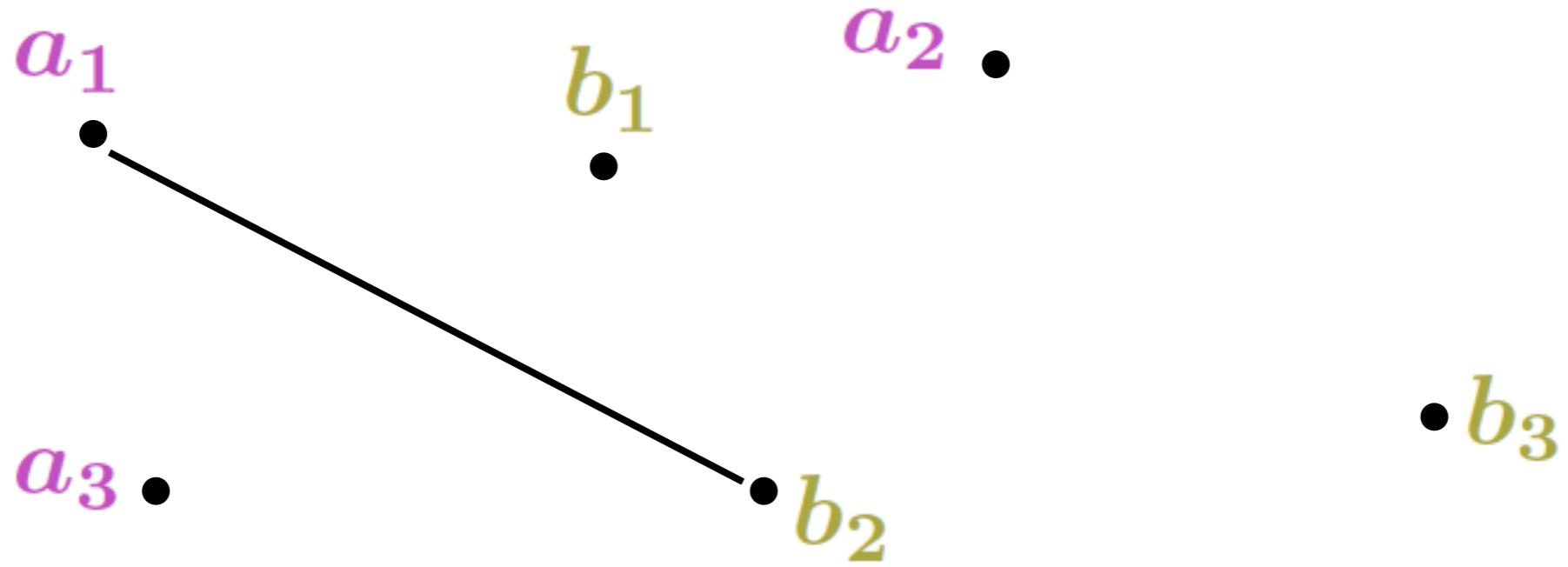


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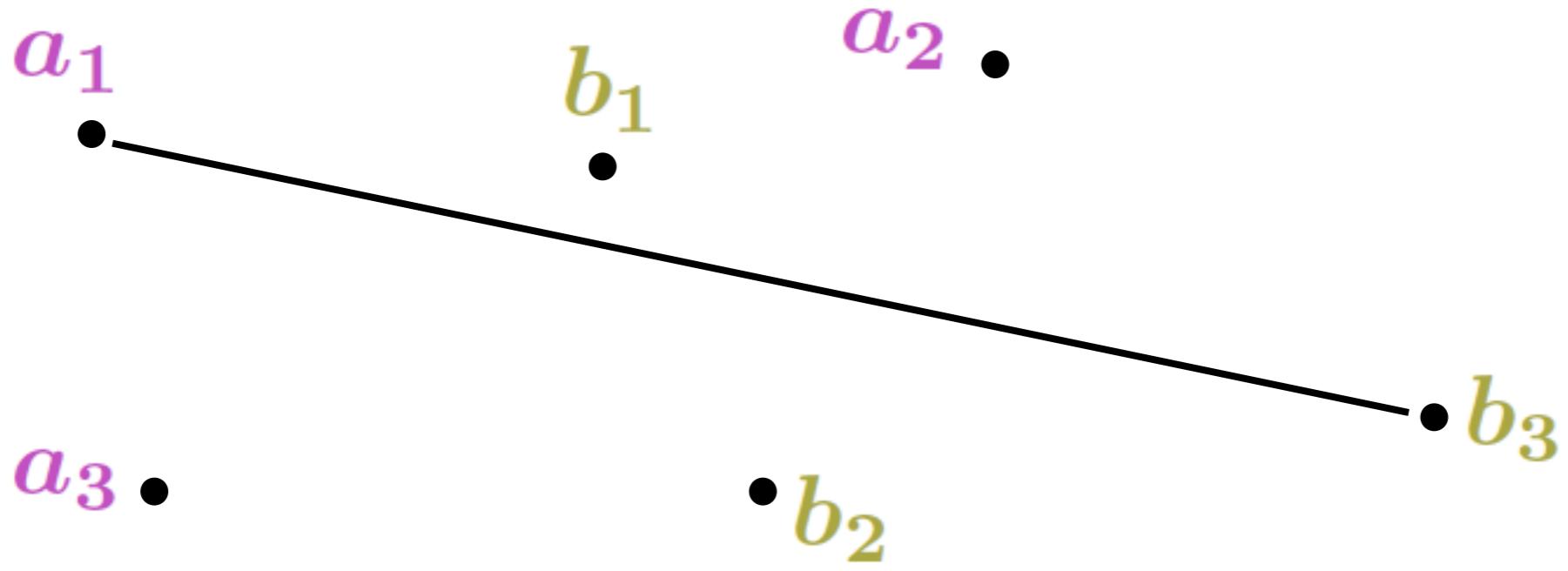


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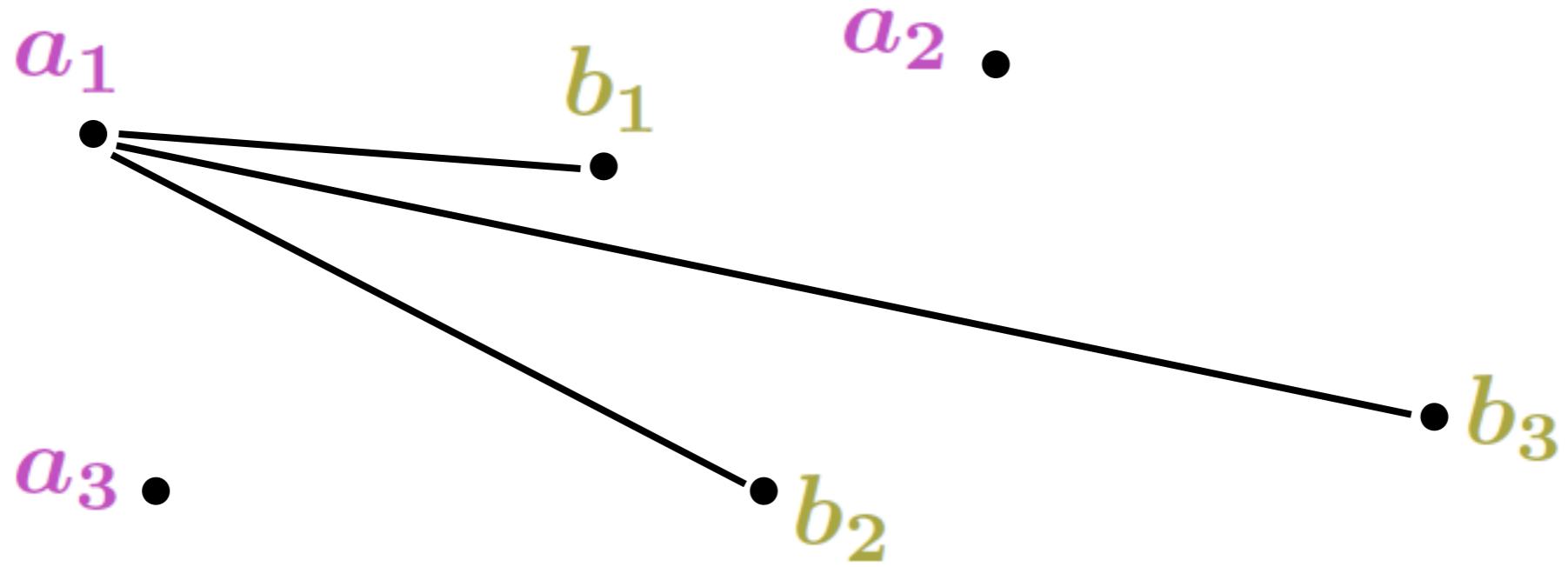


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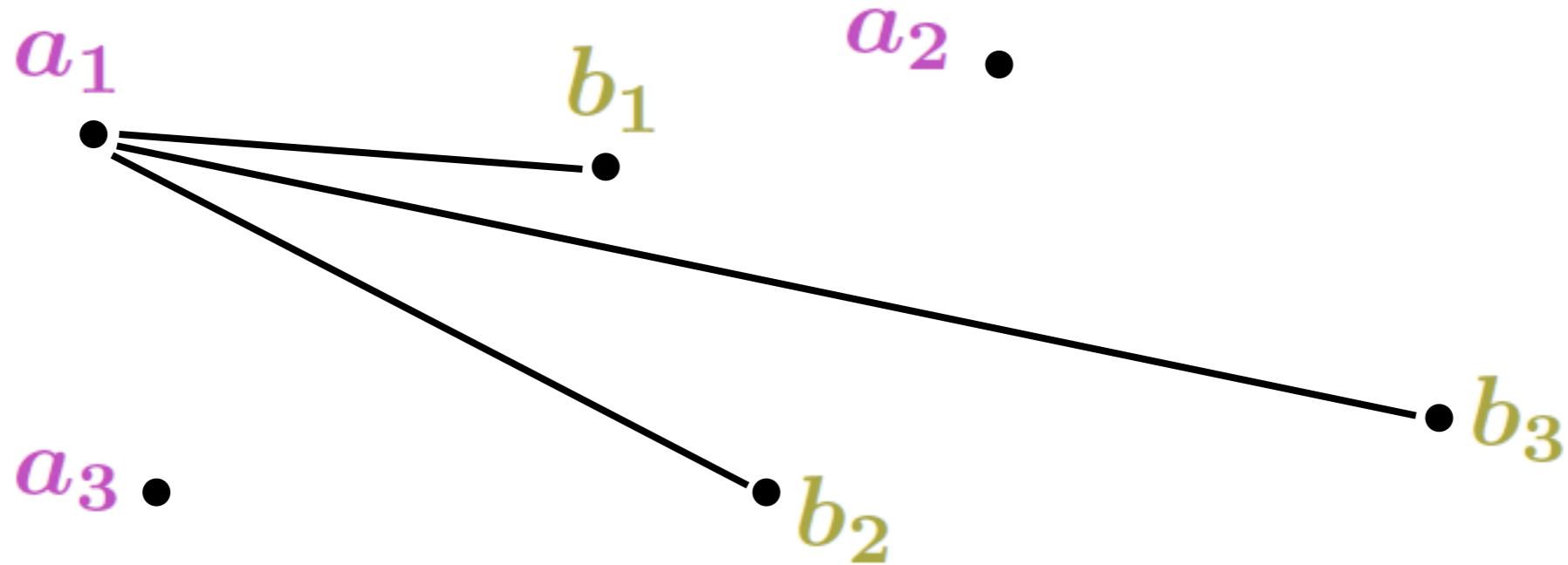


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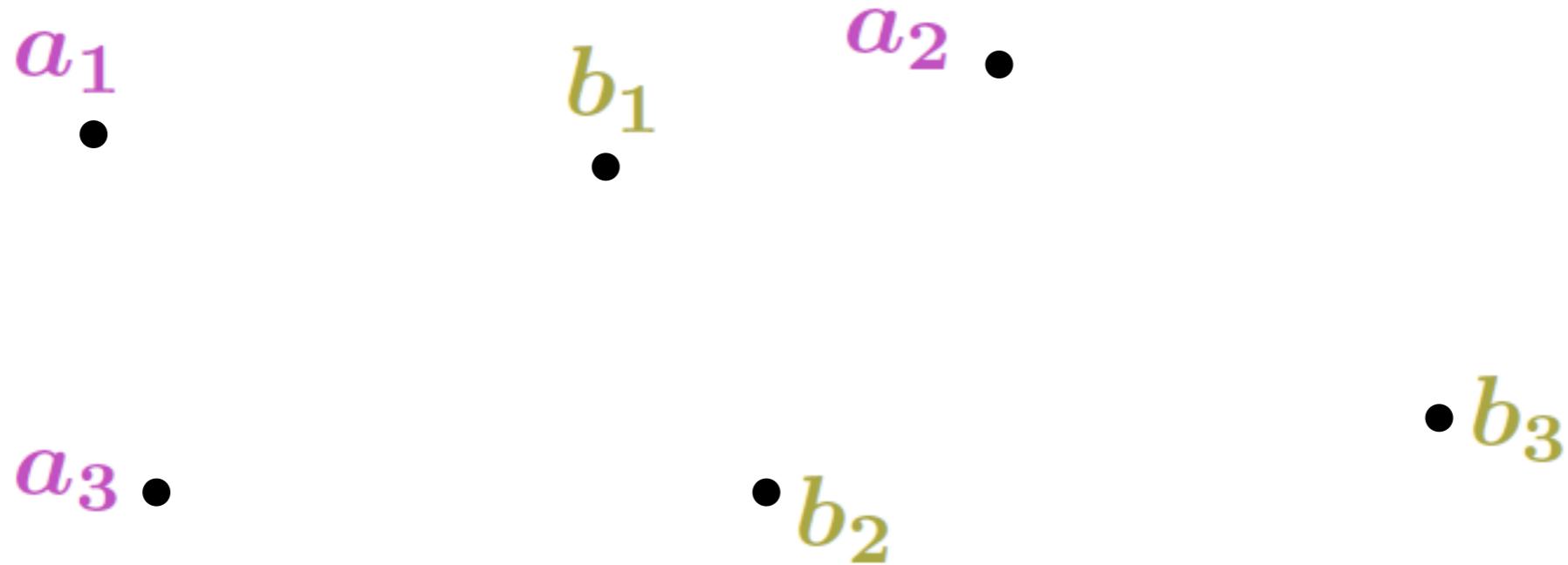
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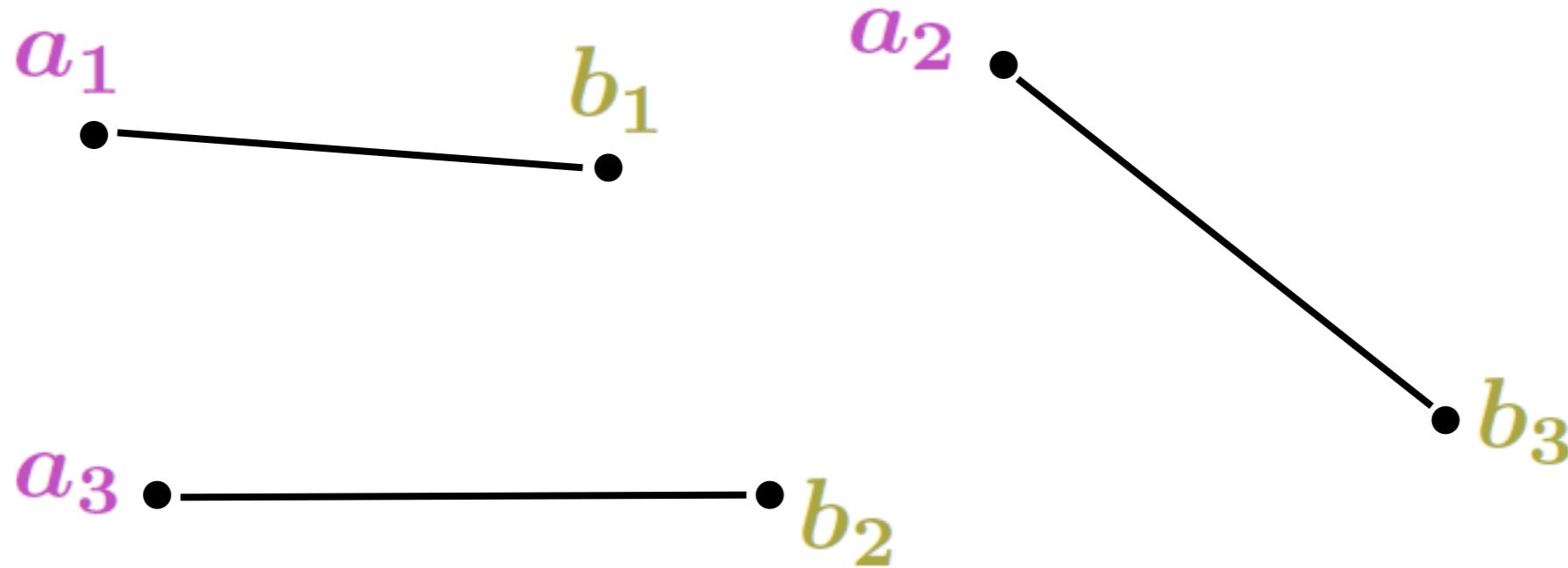
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Properties of W_p

- $\lim_n W_p(\mu_n, \mu) = 0$ for $\mu \in \mathcal{P}_p(M)$
iff $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu$ & $\sup_n \int_M d(x, y)^p \mu_{\textcolor{teal}{n}}(dy) < \infty$
- W_p : distance on $\mathcal{P}_p(M)$
- Another variational formula (Kantorovich duality)
- $W_p(\mu, \nu) \leq \mathbb{E}[d(X, Y)^p]^{1/p}$
for \forall couplings (X, Y)

More geometric properties

- W_p is **stable** under perturbation of (M, d)
- W_p reflects the geometry of (M, d) well.
For instance,
 - (M, d) : complete \Rightarrow so is $(\mathcal{P}_p(M), W_p)$
 - (M, d) : geodesic sp. \Rightarrow so is $(\mathcal{P}_p(M), W_p)$

Proof of some properties

Lemma 1 (\exists minimizer) —————

$$W_p(\mu, \nu) = \min_{\pi \in \Pi(\mu, \nu)} \|d\|_{L^p(\pi)}$$

Proof

$(\pi_n)_n$: minimizing sequence

★ $\Pi(\mu, \nu)$: compact. $\therefore \pi_n \rightarrow \exists \pi$ w.l.o.g.

$$\|d\|_{L^p(\pi)} = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \|d \wedge R\|_{L^p(\pi)}$$

$$= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left(\lim_n \|d \wedge R\|_{L^p(\pi_n)} \right)$$

$$\leq \lim_n \|d\|_{L^p(\pi_n)}$$

□

M^Λ : product of M with index set Λ

$p_{i,j}$: proj. to i -th and j -th components

Lemma 2 (gluing) —

$$\pi_1 \in \Pi(\mu_1, \mu_2), \pi_2 \in \Pi(\mu_2, \mu_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \tilde{\pi} \in \mathcal{P}(M^3) \text{ s.t.}$$

$$p_{1,2}^\# \tilde{\pi} = \pi_1, p_{2,3}^\# \tilde{\pi} = \pi_2$$

Proof

$$(X_1, Y_1) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\sim} \pi_1, (Y_2, Z_2) \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{\sim} \pi_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}[X_1 \in dx | Y_1 = y] \mathbb{P}[Z_2 \in dz | Y_2 = y] \mu_2(dy) \\ =: \tilde{\pi}(dxdydz) \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Pf: W_p : dist

- $\pi_1 \in \Pi(\mu_1, \mu_2)$, $\pi_2 \in \Pi(\mu_2, \mu_3)$: minimizer
 $\tilde{\pi}$: gluing of π_1 and π_2

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow W_p(\mu_1, \mu_3) &\leq \|d\|_{L^p(p_{1,3}^\# \tilde{\pi})} \\ &\leq \|d\|_{L^p(\pi_1)} + \|d\|_{L^p(\pi_2)} \quad //\end{aligned}$$

- $W_p(\mu, \nu) = 0$, π : minimizer

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \mu(A) &= \pi(A \times X) \\ &= \pi(\{(x, x) \mid x \in A\}) = \nu(A) \quad \square\end{aligned}$$

Pf: $\lim_n W_p(\mu_n, \mu) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu_n \rightarrow \mu$

$\pi_n \in \Pi(\mu, \mu_n)$: minimizer

★ $\exists \hat{\pi} \in \mathcal{P}(M^{\mathbb{N}_0})$, $p_{0,n}^\# \hat{\pi} = \pi_n$
(via gluing & Kolmogorov's extension thm)

$\Rightarrow p_n \rightarrow p_0$ in $L^p(M^{\mathbb{N}_0}, \hat{\pi}; M)$

$\Rightarrow \int_M f d\mu_n = \int_{M^{\mathbb{N}_0}} f \circ p_n d\hat{\pi}$
 $\qquad\qquad\qquad \rightarrow \int_{M^{\mathbb{N}_0}} f \circ p_0 d\hat{\pi}$
for $\forall f \in C_b(M)$ □

Kantorovich duality
&
displacement interpolation

Theorem 1 (Kantorovich duality) —

$$\begin{aligned} W_p(\mu, \nu)^p &= \sup_{g, f} \left[\int_M g \, d\mu + \int_M f \, d\nu \right], \\ &= \sup_f \left[\int_M \hat{f} \, d\mu + \int_M f \, d\nu \right], \end{aligned}$$

where $f, g \in C_b(M)$,

$$g(x) + f(y) \leq d(x, y)^p,$$

$$\hat{f}(x) := \inf_{y \in M} [d(x, y)^p - f(y)]$$

Constraint: $g(x) + f(y) \leq d(x, y)^p$

\Rightarrow For $\pi \in \Pi(\mu, \nu)$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_M g \, d\mu + \int_M f \, d\nu \\ &= \int_M (g(x) + f(y)) \pi(dx dy) \\ &\leq \|d\|_{L^p(\pi)}^p \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow W_p(\mu, \nu)^p \geq \sup_{g, f} \left[\int_M g \, d\mu + \int_M f \, d\nu \right]$$

If $\pi \in \Pi(\mu, \nu)$: minimizer, (f_0, g_0) : maximizer

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- When $M = \mathbb{R}^m$, $d(x, y)^2 = \frac{1}{2}|x - y|^2$,

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) + f(y) &\leq d(x, y)^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow \tilde{g}(x) + \tilde{f}(y) &\geq \textcolor{brown}{x} \cdot \textcolor{brown}{y} \\ \left(\tilde{g}(x) := \frac{1}{2}|x|^2 - g(x) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{g}_0 = \text{Legendre conj. of } \tilde{f}_0$

Property: $(\mathcal{P}_p(M), W_p)$: geodesic sp.

(M, d) : geodesic sp.

iff $\forall x, y \in M, \exists \gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow M$ s.t.

$$\gamma(0) = x, \gamma(1) = y,$$

$$d(\gamma(s), \gamma(t)) = |s - t|d(x, y)$$

(γ : constant speed minimal geodesic)

Example

o $(\mathbb{R}^m, \|\cdot\|_p)$, $p \in [1, \infty]$

o M : Riemannian mfd with the Riem. distance

x $A \subset \mathbb{R}^m$: not convex, with $\|\cdot\|_2$

$$\Gamma := \{\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow M \text{ const. speed min. geod.}\}$$
$$e_t : \Gamma \rightarrow M, e_t(\gamma) := \gamma(t)$$

Theorem 2 (displacement interpolation) —

Suppose (M, d) : geodesic sp.

For $\mu_0, \mu_1 \in \mathcal{P}_p(M)$, $\exists \Xi \in \mathcal{P}(\Gamma)$ s.t.

- $e_0^\# \Xi = \mu_0, e_1^\# \Xi = \mu_1$
- $W_p(e_{\textcolor{teal}{t}}^\# \Xi, e_{\textcolor{teal}{s}}^\# \Xi) = \|d\|_{L^p((e_t, e_s)^\# \Xi)}$
 $= |\textcolor{teal}{t} - s| W_p(\mu_0, \mu_1)$

($\Rightarrow (e_t^\# \Xi)_{t \in [0, 1]} : \min. \text{geod. in } (\mathcal{P}_p(X), W_p)$)

2. Wasserstein contraction and equivalent conditions

Example

$$\mathcal{L} := \Delta - \nabla V \cdot \nabla \text{ on } \mathbb{R}^m$$



$$dX_t^x = \sqrt{2}dB_t - \nabla V(X_t^x)dt, \quad X_0^x = x$$

Assumption:

$$(\nabla V(x) - \nabla V(y)) \cdot (x - y) \geq K|x - y|^2$$

$$(\uparrow \text{Hess } V \geq K)$$

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$$\downarrow\hspace{-0.1cm}$$

$$\begin{aligned}W_p(\mathbb{P}^{X^x_t}, \mathbb{P}^{X^y_t}) &\leq \mathrm{e}^{-Kt}|x-y|\\&= \mathrm{e}^{-Kt}W_p(\delta_x,\delta_y)\end{aligned}$$

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$$d|X_t^x - X_t^y|^2 \leq -2K|X_t^x - X_t^y|^2 dt$$



$$|X_t^x - X_t^y|^2 \leq e^{-2Kt}|x - y|^2$$



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Theorem 3 [von Renesse & Sturm '05] —————

For $K \in \mathbb{R}$, the following are equivalent:

- (a) $W_2(P_t^*\mu_0, P_t^*\mu_1) \leq e^{-Kt} W_2(\mu_0, \mu_1)$
- (b) $\text{Ric} \geq K$
- (c) $|\nabla P_t f|(x)^2 \leq e^{-2Kt} P_t(|\nabla f|^2)(x)$
- (d) $\text{CD}(K, \infty)$

Relative entropy: $\text{Ent}(\mu) := \int_M \rho \log \rho \, dv$
 (if $d\mu = \rho \, dv$ & $[\rho \log \rho]_- \in L^1$)

The condition $\text{CD}(K, \infty)$:

For ${}^\forall W_2$ -geod. $(\mu_t)_{t \in [0,1]}$,

$$\text{Ent}(\mu_{\textcolor{teal}{t}}) \leq (1 - \textcolor{teal}{t}) \text{Ent}(\mu_0) + \textcolor{teal}{t} \text{Ent}(\mu_1)$$

$$-\frac{K}{2} \textcolor{teal}{t}(1 - t) W_2(\mu_0, \mu_1)^2$$

(\Leftrightarrow “Hess Ent $\geq K$ ”)

Significance of Theorem 3

- Each condition has rich applications
- (a) & (d) are stable under the measured Gromov-Hausdorff convergence
- Source of several trials to extend the existing theory, once we obtain a variant of them
 \rightsquigarrow the latter part of the talk

3. Coupling by parallel transport

In Theorem 3

(M : cpl. Riem. mfd, P_t : heat semigroup),

$$(b) \text{Ric} \geq K$$



$$(a) W_2(P_t^* \mu_0, P_t^* \mu_1) \leq e^{-Kt} W_2(\mu_0, \mu_1)$$

by studying a coupling by parallel transport of BMs

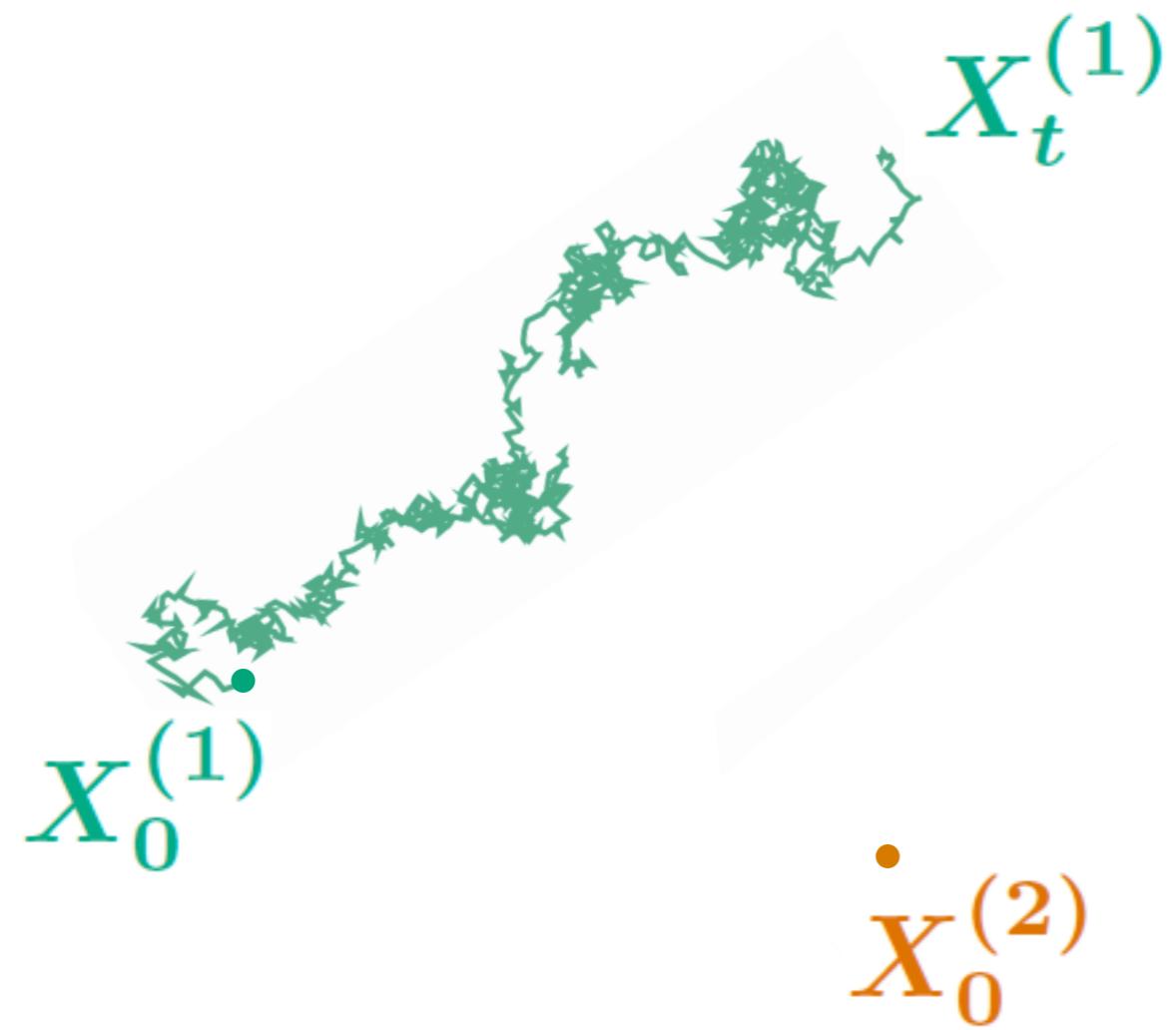
[F.-Y. Wang '05, K. '10, etc.]

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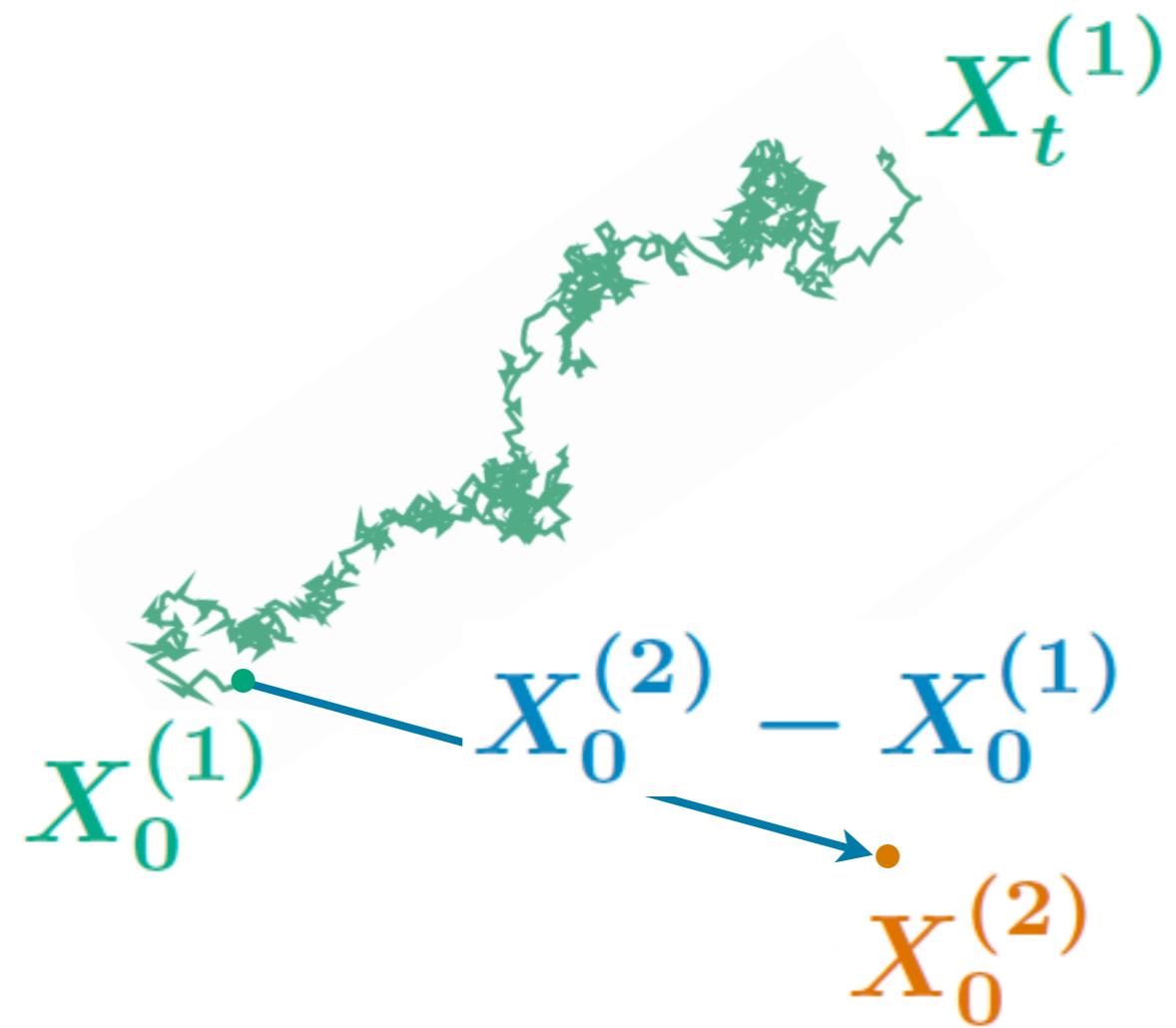
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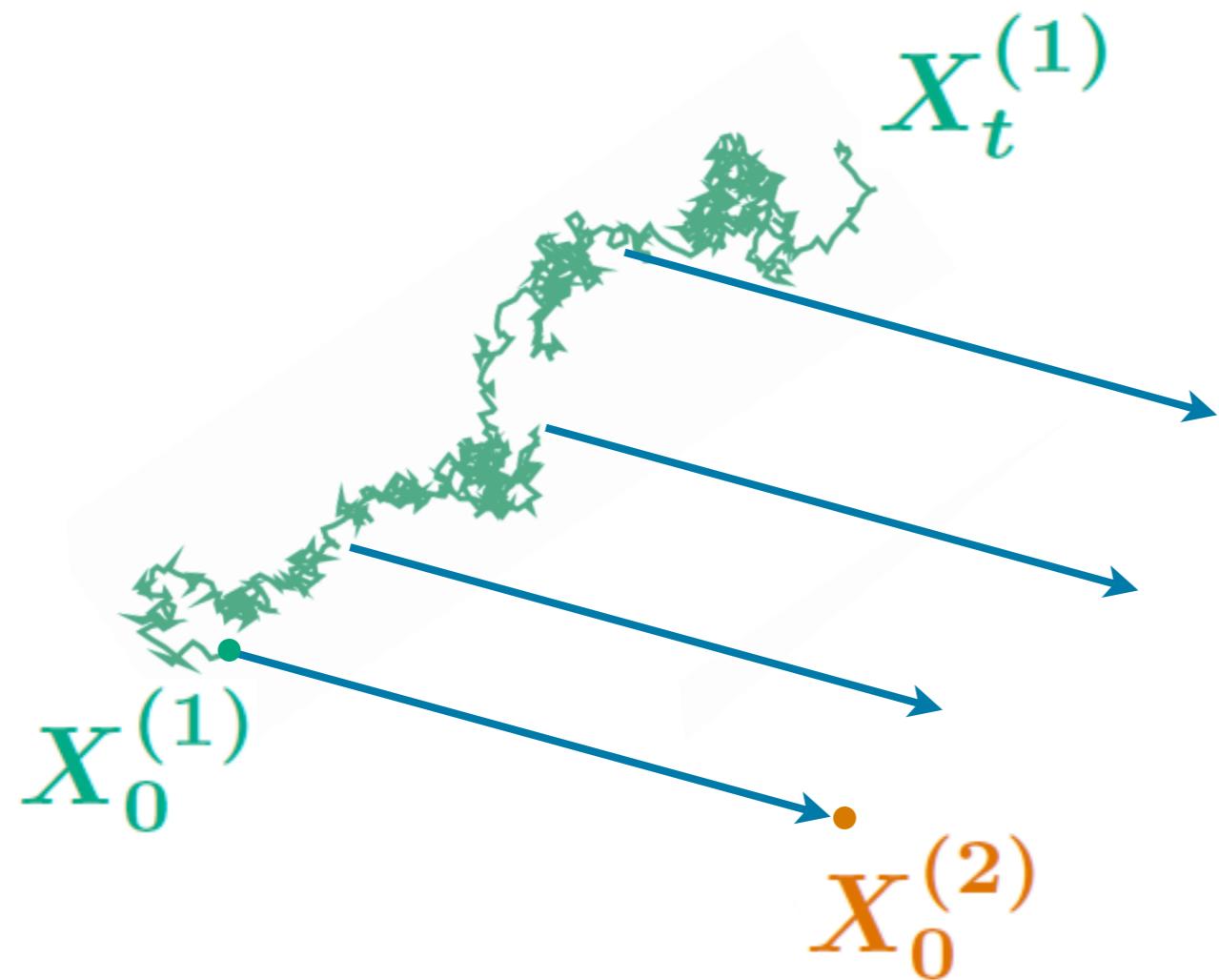
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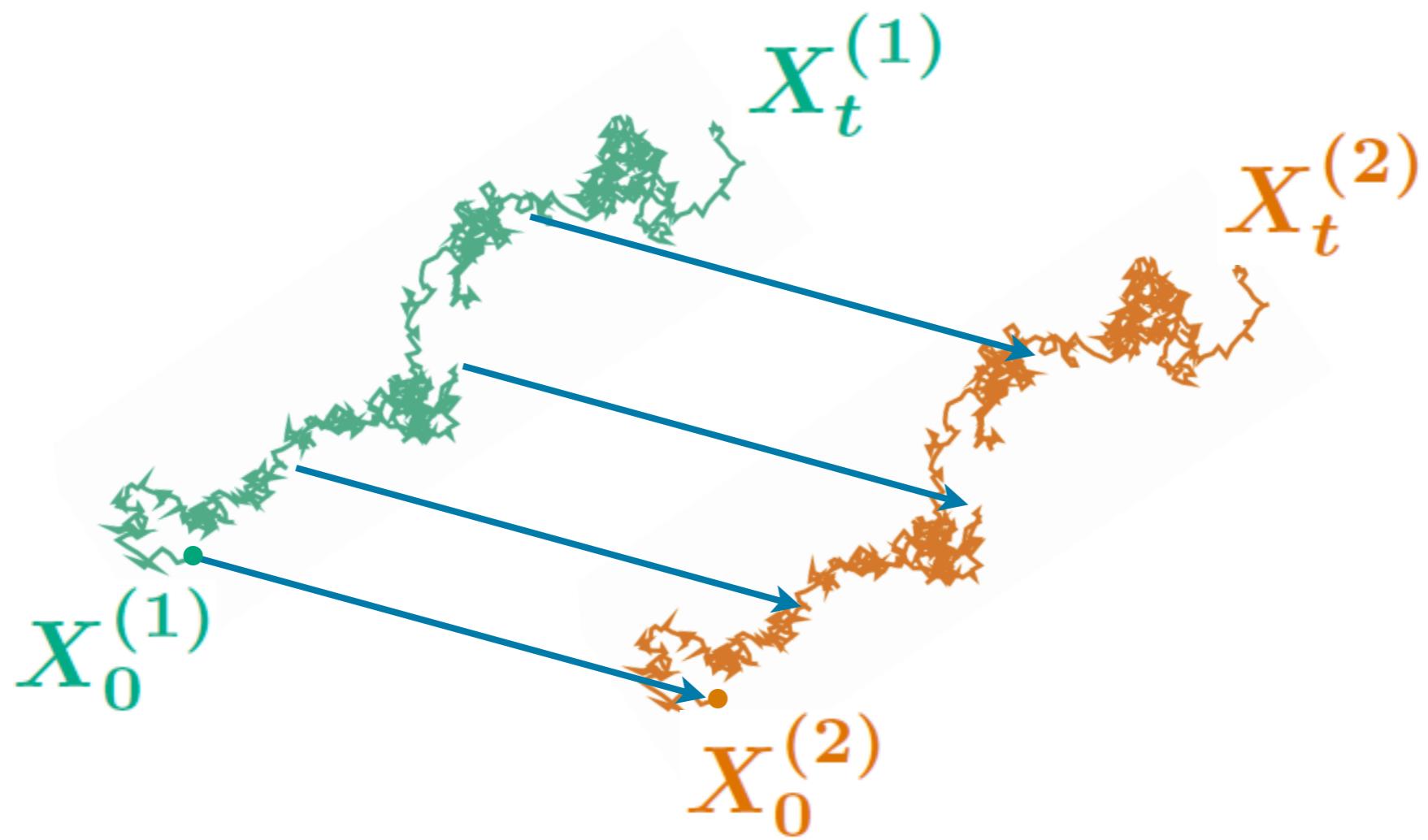
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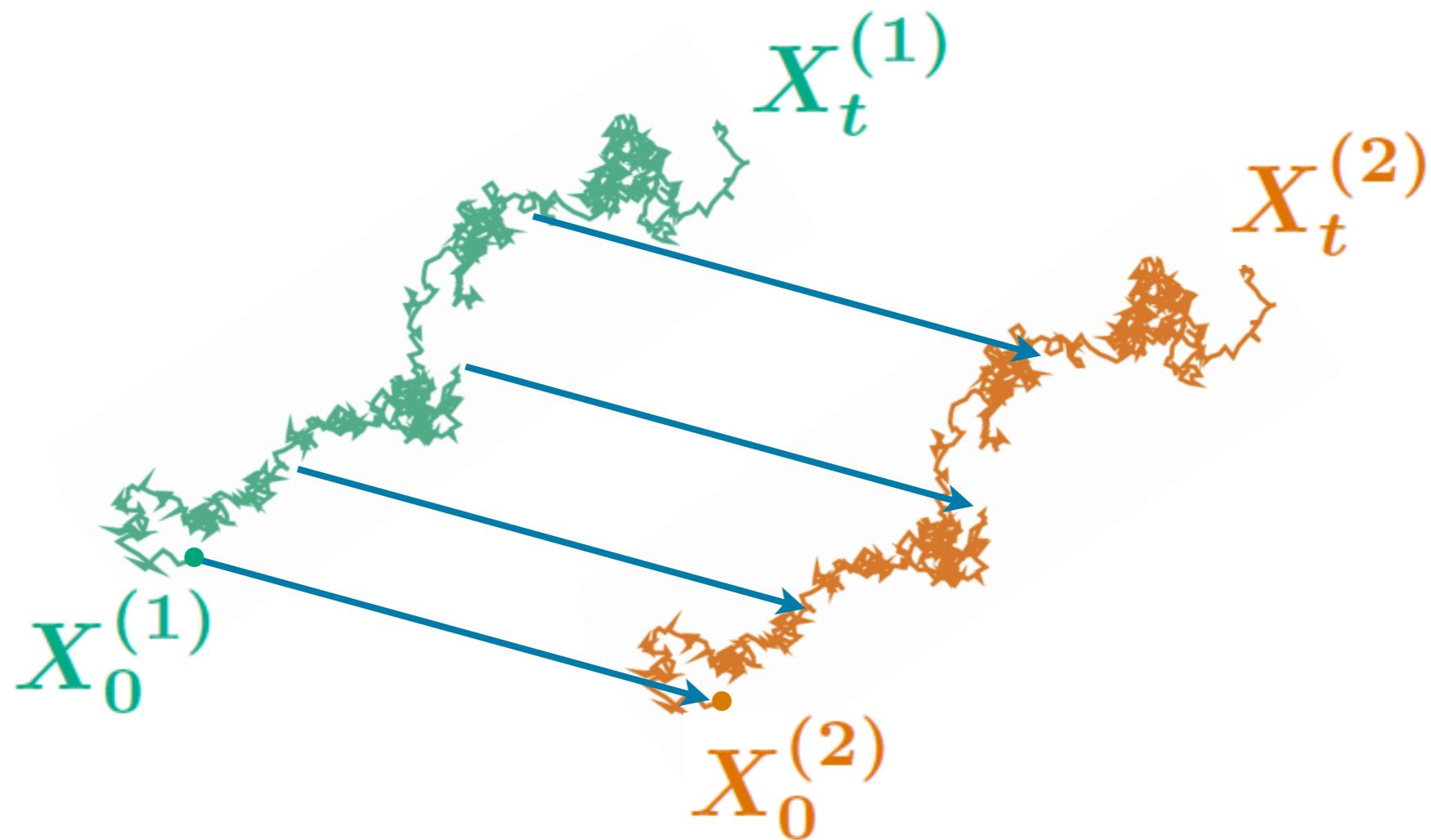
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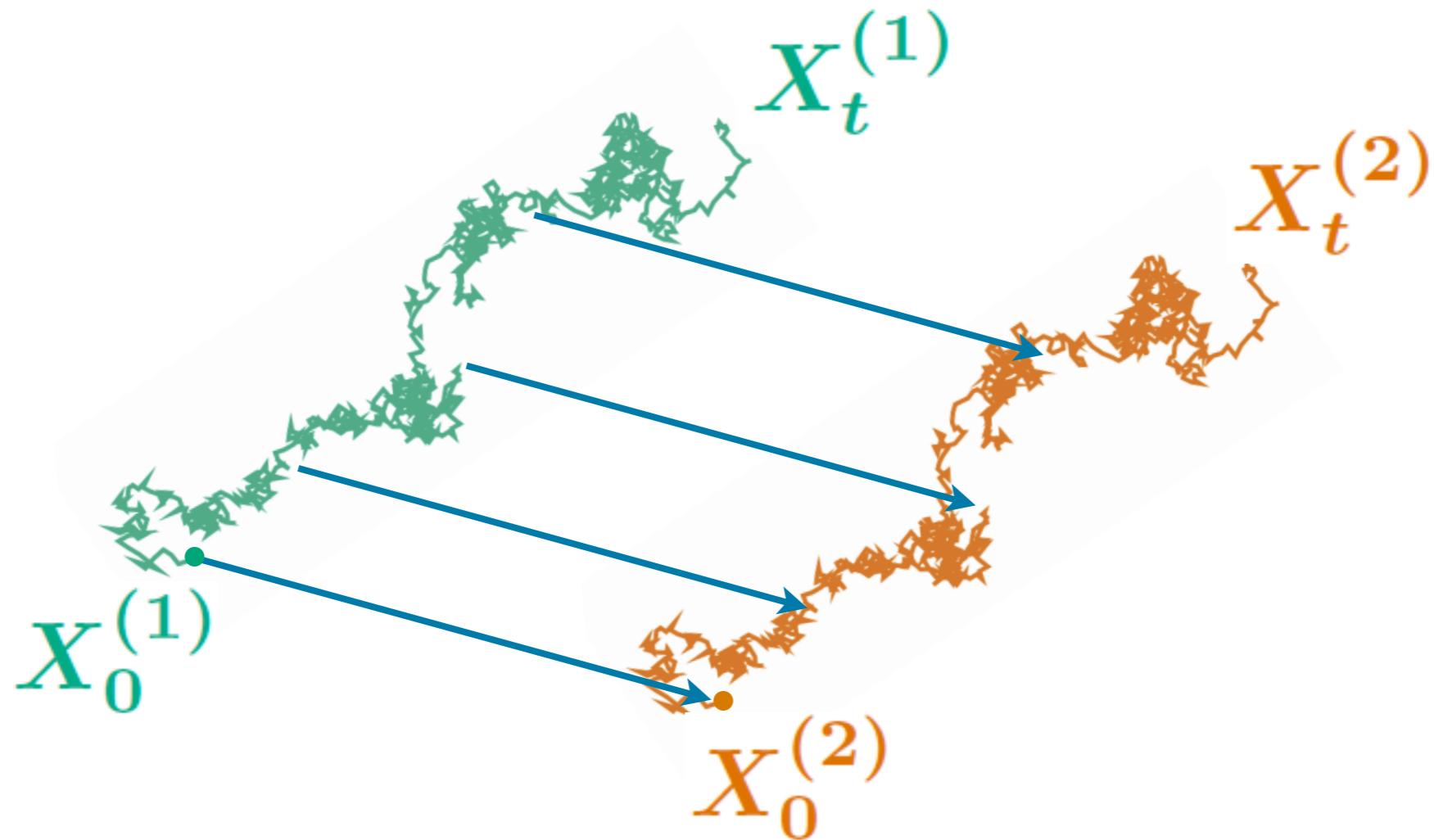


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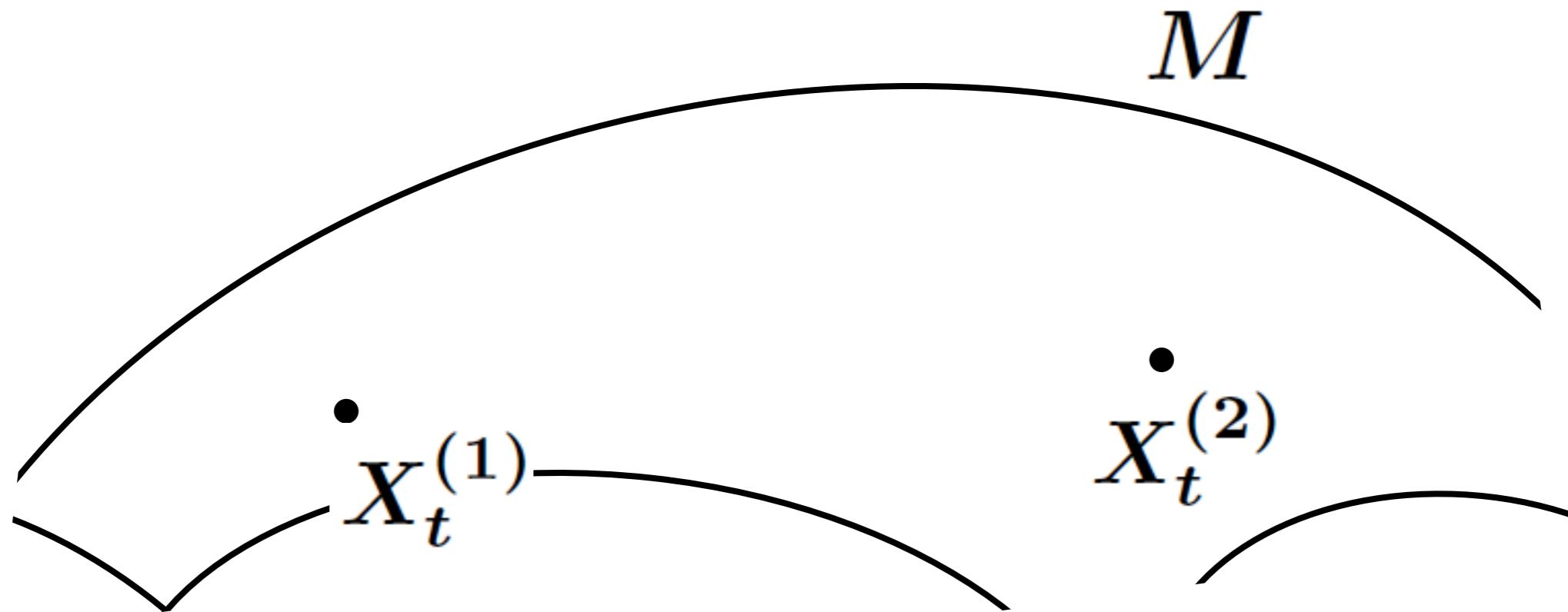
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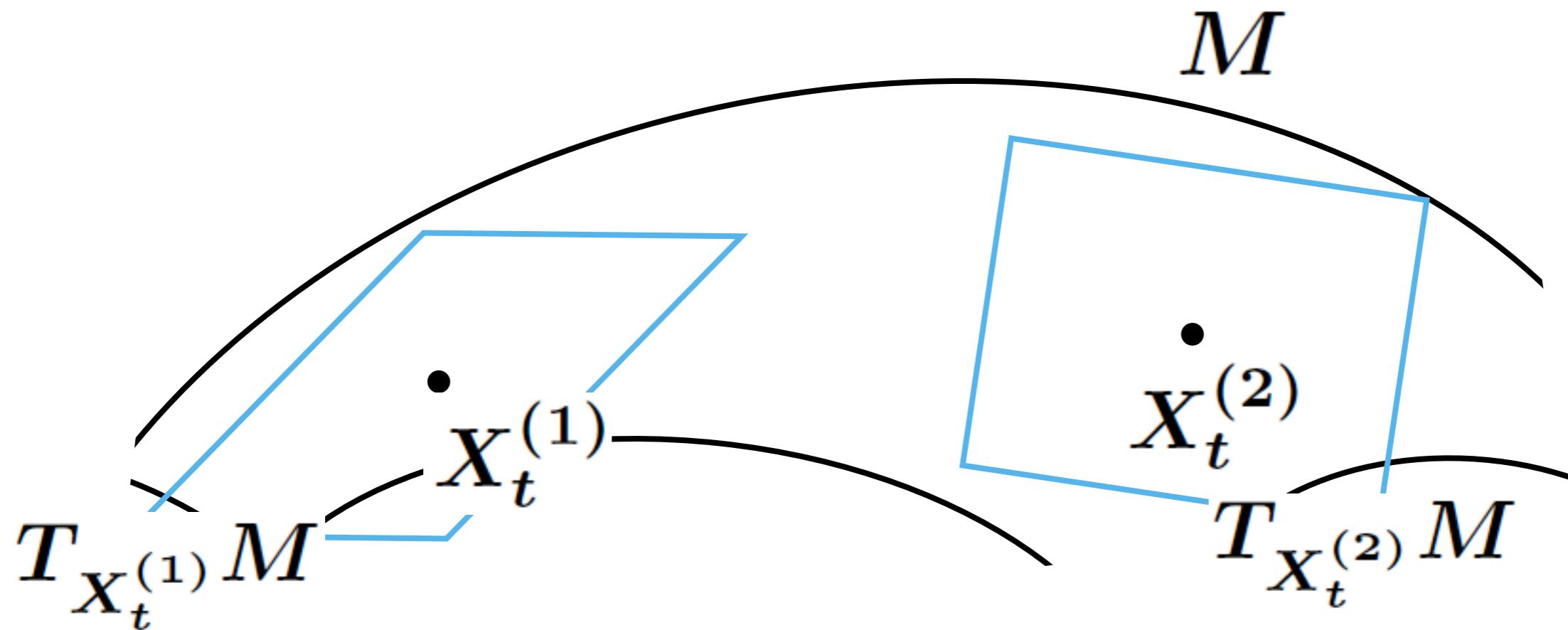


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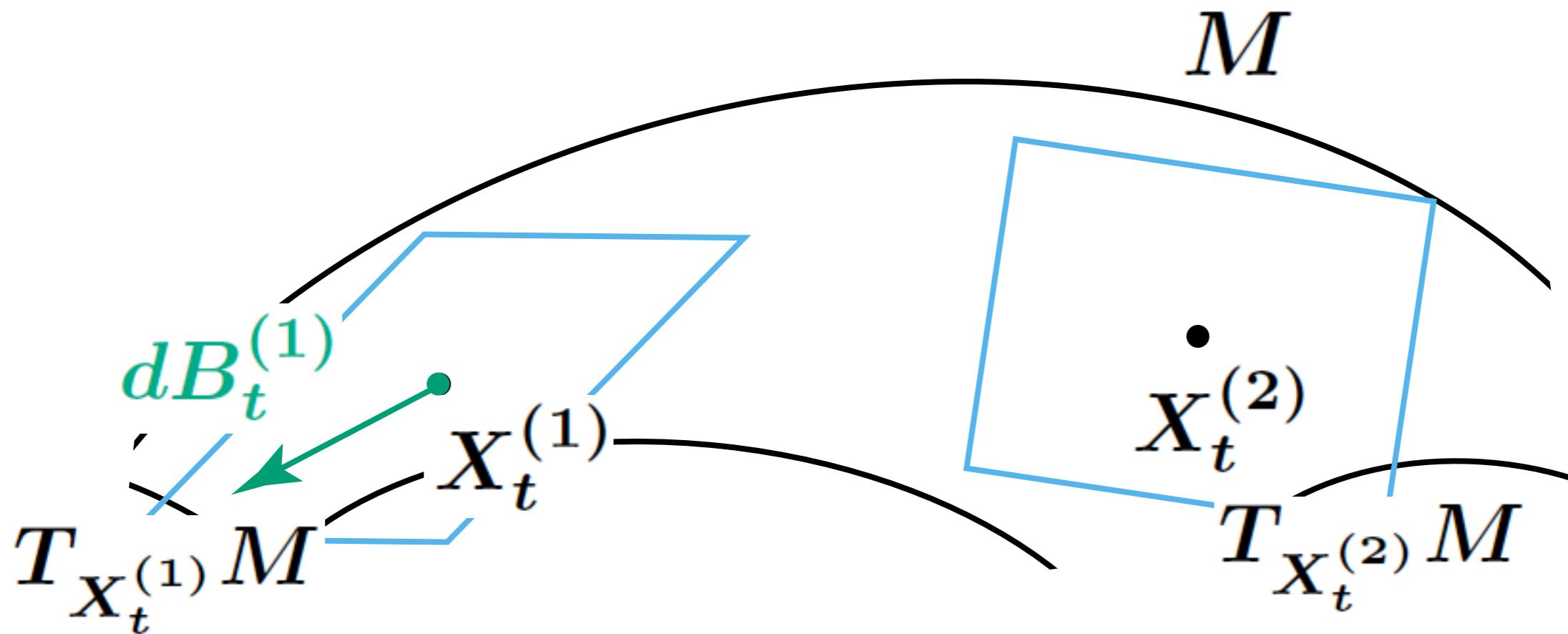


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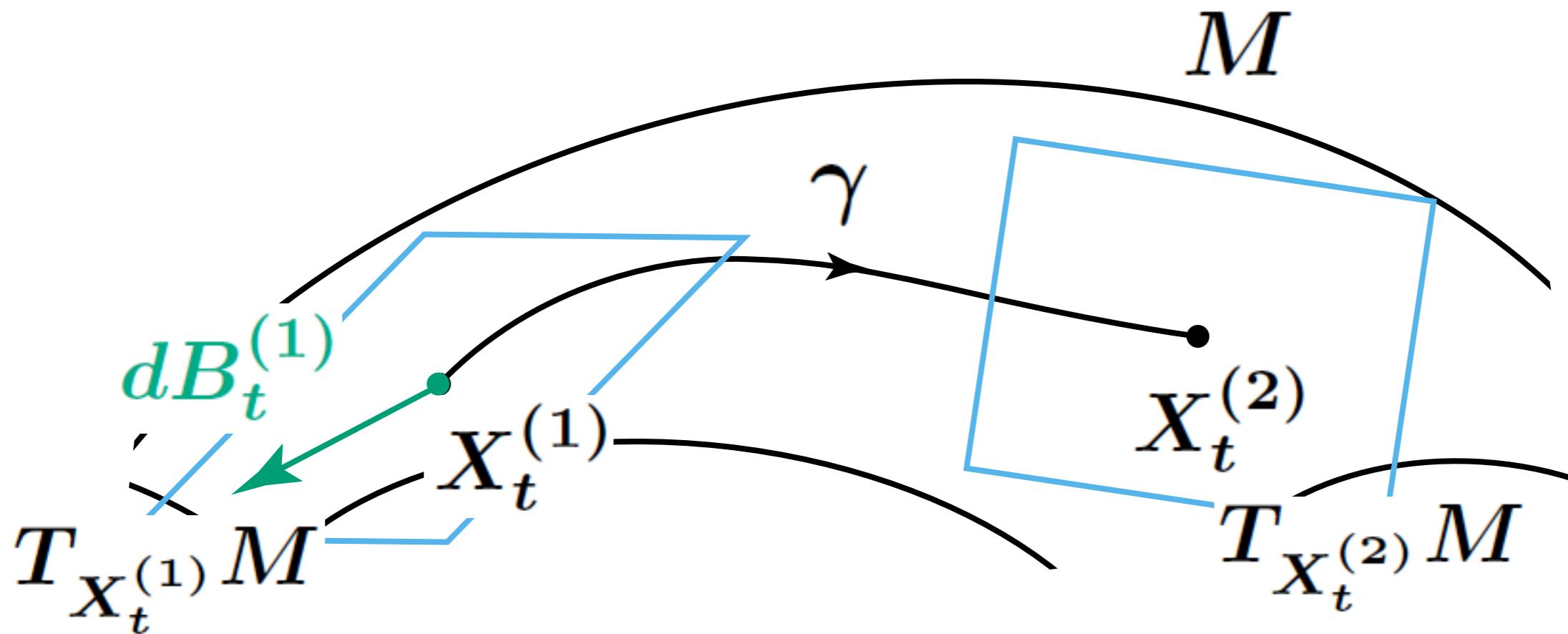


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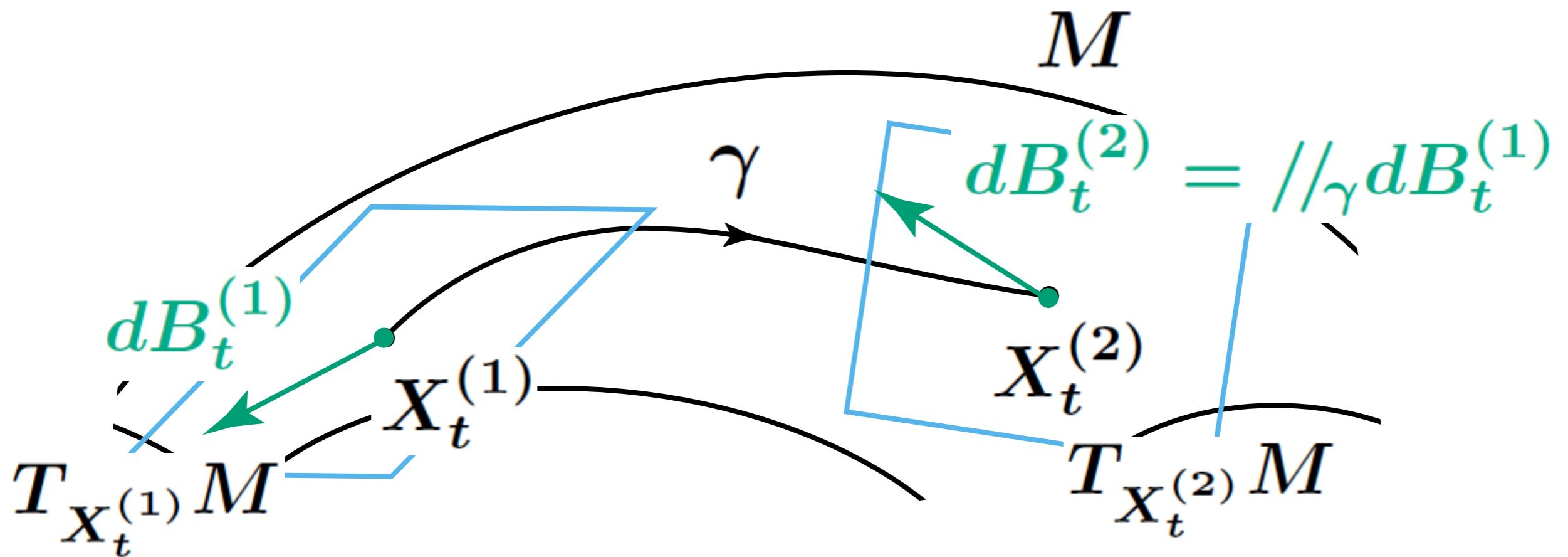


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- $\text{Ric} \geq \textcolor{blue}{K}$
 $\Rightarrow (2\text{nd}) \leq -\textcolor{blue}{K} \rho_t dt$
 $\Rightarrow d(X_t^{(1)}, X_t^{(2)}) \leq e^{-Kt} d(X_0^{(1)}, X_0^{(2)}) \quad \square$

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[McCann & Topping '10,

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Idea of Pf: $(G_q) \Rightarrow (W_p)$ for $p \in (1, \infty)$

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($Q_t f$: Hopf-Lax/Hamilton-Jacobi semigroup)

★ $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow M$, $\gamma(0) = y$, $\gamma(1) = x$

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Proposition [Brenier '91, McCann '95] —————

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$\exists \tilde{\varphi} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: convex s.t.

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$\therefore \mu_t$ solves the heat equation (weakly)

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[F.-Y. Wang '10]

Theorem 7 [K.]

The last inequality is equivalent to the following:

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