

On the speed in Wasserstein distances of heat distributions

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$$\mathcal{T}_c(\mu, \nu) := \inf \left\{ \int_{M \times M} c d\pi \mid \begin{array}{l} \pi: \text{coupling of} \\ \mu \text{ and } \nu \end{array} \right\}$$

(Optimal transportation cost for a cost function c)

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(Fisher information)

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$$I(\mu_t) \leq e^{-2Kt} I(\mu_0)$$

(\Rightarrow log Sobolev ineq. (when $K > 0$))

Questions

- What happens for other transportation costs?
- What happens when there is no gradient flow structure?

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Framework

- $(M, g(t))$: cpl. Riem. mfds., $t \in [0, T]$
 $\partial_t g(t) = 2 \operatorname{Ric}_t$ (backward Ricci flow)
- $((X(t))_{t \geq 0}, (\mathbb{P}_x)_{x \in M})$: $g(t)$ -Brownian motion
 $\rightsquigarrow \Delta_{g(t)}$: generator
- $\mu_t = \mathbb{P}_{\mu_0} \circ X(t)^{-1}$: heat dist.
- v_t : $g(t)$ -volume meas., $\mu_t = \rho_t v_t$
★ $\partial_t v_t = R_t v_t$ (R_t : $g(t)$ -scalar curv.)

Ass. $\sup_t |\operatorname{Rm}_t|_{g(t)} < \infty$ (Rm_t : $g(t)$ -curv. tensor)

$$\partial_t \mu_t \neq -\nabla \text{Ent}_{v_t}(\mu_t)$$

$$\text{Ent}_{v_t}(\mu_t) := \int_M \rho_t \log \rho_t \, dv_t = \int_M \log \rho_t \, d\mu_t$$

★ $\partial_t \mu_t = \Delta_t \mu_t$ (weakly)

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \partial_t \text{Ent}_{v_t}(\mu_t) &= - \int_M \left(\frac{|\nabla \rho_t|^2}{\rho_t^2} + \textcolor{brown}{R_t} \right) d\mu_t \\ &=: -\mathcal{F}(\mu_t) \quad (\mathcal{F}\text{-functional})\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow No monotonicity of $\text{Ent}_{v_t}(\mu_t)$!

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★ $\mathcal{T}_{L_0^{t,t+s}}(\mu_t, \mu_{t+s}) \searrow$ in t [Lott '09], [Amaba & K.]

$$L_0^{t,t'}(x, y) := \inf_{\substack{\gamma(t)=x, \\ \gamma(t')=y}} \left[\int_t^{t'} (|\dot{\gamma}(r)|_r^2 + \textcolor{brown}{R_r}) dr \right]$$

(L_0 -distance; introduced by Lott)

Monotonicity of \mathcal{F}

Theorem 1

Suppose $\text{Ent}_{v_0}(\mu_0) < \infty$ and $\mathcal{F}(\mu_0) < \infty$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{s \downarrow 0} \frac{\mathcal{T}_{L_0^{t,t+s}}(\mu_t, \mu_{t+s})}{s} = \mathcal{F}(\mu_t) \text{ a.e. } t \in [0, T]$$

Corollary 2

$$\mathcal{F}(\mu_t) \searrow$$

- Rem: $g(t) \equiv g$, $\text{Ric} \geq 0 \Rightarrow I(\mu_t) \searrow$
- [Lott '09] when M : cpt.
by Eulerian calculus (requires smoothness)

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$$\star \partial_s Q_s \varphi + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla Q_s \varphi|^2 = 0 \quad (\text{Hamilton-Jacobi eq.})$$

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$$\text{Ric} \geq K > 0, v \in \mathcal{P}(M)$$

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