

# **Equivalence between dimensional contractions in Wasserstein distance and the curvature-dimension condition**

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$\rightsquigarrow$  Sharper est. of  $W_2(\mu P_t, \nu)^2$  when  $\nu P_s = \nu$

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for a.e. trajectories  $(\gamma_s)_{s \in [0,1]}$  of “nice” transports

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( $\mathcal{P}_2(X) := \{\mu \in \mathcal{P}(X) \mid W_2(\delta_{x_0}, \mu) < \infty\}$ )



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- “Localized version” is also known  
[Ambrosio, Mondino & Savaré '16]/[Hua, Kell & Xia]

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- “(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii)” for Markov transportation dist.  
[Bolley, Gentil & Guillin '14]
- “(i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii)” on cpt. Riem. mfd [Gentil '15]

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[Ambrosio, Gigli, Mondino & Rajala '15/...] ( $N = \infty$ )  
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## What's **EVI**?

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