Conditional Sampling with Block-Triangular Transport Maps

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Supervised learning and inverse problems

Deterministic supervised learning

Input x and output y.

- Training data (x_j, y_j) .
- Given new x^* predict $y^*(x^*)$.
- Assume input-output map Ψ^{\dagger} so that $y = \Psi^{\dagger}(x)$.
- Typically, approximate Ψ^{\dagger} with Ψ^{*} so that $y^{*} \approx \Psi^{*}(x^{*})$.

Inverse problems

- ► Unknown parameter y and indirect measurement x so that F[†](y) = x.
- Given new measurement x^* find $y^* \approx \left(\mathcal{F}^{\dagger}\right)^{-1}(x^*)$.
- > Typically, solve optimization problem to find minimal norm solution.

Supervised learning and inverse problems

Probabilistic supervised learning

- Training data (x_j, y_j) .
- ► Joint measure $\nu(dx, dy)$ s.t. $(x_j, y_j) \sim \nu$.
- Given new x^* identify/sample $\nu(dy|x^*)$.

Bayesian inverse problems

- Measurement and parameter pairs (x, y).
- Prior measure v₀(dy) on parameter.
- ► Joint measure $\nu(dx, dy) = Law\{(x, y) : x = \mathcal{F}^{\dagger}(y), y \sim \nu_0\}.$
- ldentify posterior $\nu(dy|x^*)$.

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Generative modeling and measure transport

Generative modeling

- Given training data $z_i \sim \nu(dz)$.
- Generate new samples z_j^* so that $z_j^* \sim \nu(\mathrm{d} z)$.
- Choose reference measure η and train map T so that $T_{\sharp}\eta \approx \nu$.
- Draw $s_j \sim \eta$ and set $z_j^* = \mathsf{T}(s_j)$.

Measure transport

- Given measures η, ν find mapping T so that $T_{\sharp}\eta = \nu$.
 - Optimal transport.
 - Image registration.
 - Triangular transformations.

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Measure transport and conditioning The missing link



Data-driven supervised learning/inversion with UQ.

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Measure transport and conditioning

Abstract problem statement

Measure transport approach to conditioning

- Joint measure $\nu \in \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y})$.
- ▶ Reference measure $\eta_{\mathcal{Y}} \in \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{Y})$.
- ▶ Goal: Find transport map $S : X \times Y \rightarrow Y$ s.t.

$$\mathsf{S}(x^*,\cdot)_{\sharp}\eta_{\mathcal{Y}} = \nu(\cdot|x^*)$$

for $\nu_{\mathcal{X}}$ a.e. x^* .

Measure transport and conditioning

The Knothe-Rosenblatt map

- Concatenate variables $z = (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^{m+n}$.
- Knothe-Rosenblatt (KR) map is a triangular example

$$T: \mathbb{R}^{m+n} \to \mathbb{R}^{m+n}, \qquad T(z) = \begin{bmatrix} T^1(z_1) \\ T^2(z_1, z_2) \\ \vdots \\ T^{m+n}(z_1, \dots, z_{m+n}) \end{bmatrix}$$

KR map in \mathbb{R}^2

$$\begin{array}{l} \eta = h(z)dz, \nu = g(z)dz. \\ \hline \text{Define first marginals } h^1(z_1) = \int h(z_1,z_2)dz_2, \quad g^1(z_1) = \int f(z_1,z_2)dz_2. \\ \hline T^1(z_1) \text{ is OT map pushing } h^1 \text{ to } g^1. \\ \hline \text{Disintegration/conditioning } h^2_{z_1}(z_2) := \frac{h(z_1,z_2)}{h^1(z_1)}, g^2_{z_1}(z_2) := \frac{g(z_1,z_2)}{g^1(z_1)}. \\ \hline T^2(z_1,z_2) \text{ is OT map pushing } h^2_{z_1}(z_2) \text{ to } g^2_{T^1(z_1)}(z_2). \\ \hline T^2((T^1)^{-1}(z_1),z_2) \text{ is the desired conditioning map.} \end{array}$$

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Overview of our approach

- lnput and output spaces \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} .
- Joint target measure: $\nu \in \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y})$.
- ▶ Reference: $\eta \in \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y})$ (mostly standard normal).
- Empirical measures with N samples ν_N, η_N .
- Block-triangular map:

$$\mathsf{T}(x,y) = \Bigl(\mathsf{K}(x),\mathsf{S}(\mathsf{K}(x),y)\Bigr), \qquad \mathsf{K}:\mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{X}, \quad \mathsf{S}:\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \to \mathcal{Y}.$$

- ► Neural networks K, S.
- Optimization problem:

 $(\mathsf{K}^*,\mathsf{S}^*) = \underset{\mathsf{K},\mathsf{S}}{\arg\min} \, \mathsf{Divergence} \, (\mathsf{T}_\sharp\eta_N || \nu_N) + \, \mathsf{Monotonicity} \, \mathsf{penalty} \, \mathsf{on} \, \mathsf{T}.$

• Result:
$$S^*(x^*, \cdot)_{\sharp} \eta_{\mathcal{Y}} \approx \nu(\cdot | x^*)$$

Monotone GANs Overview of our approach



Practical motivation

$$\mathsf{T}(x,y) = \Bigl(\mathsf{K}(x), \mathsf{S}(\mathsf{K}(x),y)\Bigr), \qquad \mathsf{T}_\sharp^*\eta =
u.$$

- Probabilistic supervised learning and uncertainty quantification.
 - Compute statistics of y|x*: mean, median, maximal probability points, variance, confidence intervals, error bars etc.
- Model agnostic/likelihood-free inference.
 - Only require knowledge of $\nu(dx, dy), \eta(dx, dy)$ and marginal $\eta_{\mathcal{Y}}(dy)$.
 - No explicit/functional model assumptions on the relationship between output y and input x.
- Conditional sampling with many new inputs.
 - Offline training of the map S*.
 - Parallel acquisition of training data.
 - Sampling many conditionals.

 $\mathsf{S}^*(x_j^*,\cdot)_{\sharp}\eta_{\mathcal{Y}} \approx \nu(\cdot|x_j^*).$

Related literature

GANs, Normalizing flows, VAEs

• Generative adversarial networks (GANs):

- Goodfellow et al. (2014), "Generative adversarial nets".
- Nowozin, Cseke, Tomioka (2016), "f-GAN: Training generative neural samplers using variational divergence minimization".
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- Kingma and Welling (2014), "Auto-encoding variational Bayes".
- Rezende, Mohamed, Wierstra (2014), "Stochastic back-propagation and approximate inference in deep generative models"
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Neural networks in inverse problems

Inverse problems:

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- *Whang, Lindgren and Dimakis (2020), "Approximate probabilistic inference with composed flows".
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We train a single map (network) that characterizes the conditional $\nu(\cdot|x^*)$ for any new input x^* + supported by theory.

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Block-triangular maps

- Separable Banach spaces \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} .
- Block-triangular map:

$$\mathsf{T}:\mathcal{X}\times\mathcal{Y}\to\mathcal{X}\times\mathcal{Y},\qquad\mathsf{T}(x,y):=\Bigl(\mathsf{T}^1(x),\mathsf{T}^2(x,y)\Bigr).$$

Jacobian of T is block-triangular when X, Y are finite-dimensional Euclidean spaces.

Conditioning

Theorem [KBHM]

Suppose

 $\blacktriangleright~\mathsf{T}:\mathcal{X}\times\mathcal{Y}\to\mathcal{X}\times\mathcal{Y}$ is a block-triangular map of the form

$$\mathsf{T}(x,y) = \Big(\mathsf{K}(x), \mathsf{S}(\mathsf{K}(x),y)\Big).$$

If $T_{\sharp}\eta = \nu$ then

$$\mathsf{S}(x^*,\cdot)_{\sharp}\eta_{\mathcal{Y}} = \nu(\cdot|x^*),$$

for $\nu_{\mathcal{X}}$ a.e. x^* .

▶ Also true for $T : \mathcal{X}' \times \mathcal{Y}' \rightarrow \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$ where $\mathcal{X}', \mathcal{Y}'$ are also Banach spaces.

Variational formulation

 $\mathsf{T}^* = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\mathsf{T}\in\mathcal{T}} D(\mathsf{T}_\sharp\eta||\nu)$

► Statistical divergence $D : \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}) \times \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}) \mapsto \mathbb{R}_+$ s.t. $D(\mu_1 || \mu_2) = 0$ iff $\mu_1 = \mu_2$.

Class of block-triangular maps

$$\mathcal{T} := \left\{ \mathsf{T} : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \to \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \mid \mathsf{T}(x, y) = \left(\mathsf{K}(x), \mathsf{S}(\mathsf{K}(x), y)\right) \right\}.$$

Existence of minimizers

 $\mathsf{T}^* = \mathop{\arg\min}_{\mathsf{T} \in \mathcal{T}} D(\mathsf{T}_\sharp \eta || \nu)$

Theorem [KBHM]

Suppose

$$\eta = \eta_{\mathcal{X}} \otimes \eta_{\mathcal{Y}}.$$

 \blacktriangleright $\eta_{\mathcal{X}}$ and $\eta_{\mathcal{Y}}$ have no atoms.

Then there exists at least one global minimizer T^{*} satisfying $T^*_{t}\eta = \nu$.

- Generalization of the KR map.
- All conditions stated for reference η .
- Minimizers are not unique.

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Lack of uniqueness



Conditional optimal transport

Theorem [Carlier, Chernozhukov and Galicon '16]

Suppose

- \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} are finite-dimensional Euclidean spaces.
- $\eta = \nu_{\mathcal{X}} \otimes \eta_{\mathcal{Y}}$ and $\eta_{\mathcal{Y}}$ has convex support.

• Conditionals $\nu(\cdot|x)$ have Lebesgue densities.

 $\blacktriangleright \ \int_{\mathcal{Y}} \int_{\mathcal{X}} \|y\|^2 \nu(\mathrm{d} x, \mathrm{d} y) + \int_{\mathcal{Y}} \int_{\mathcal{X}} \|y\|^2 \eta(\mathrm{d} x, \mathrm{d} y) < +\infty.$

Then there exists a map $\mathsf{S}=\nabla_y s(x,y)$ where $y\mapsto s(x,y)$ is convex for all $x\in\mathcal{X}$ and

$$\mathsf{S}(x^*,\cdot)_{\sharp}\eta_{\mathcal{Y}} = \nu(\cdot|x^*).$$

Furthermore, S is unique among such maps.

$$\begin{cases} \inf_{\mathsf{T}^{-1}} \int_{\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}} \|z - \mathsf{T}^{-1}(z)\|^2 \nu(\mathsf{d} z), \\ \text{subject to} \quad \mathsf{T}_\sharp^{-1} \nu = \eta \text{ and } \mathsf{T}_\sharp^{-1} \nu(\cdot | x) = \eta_{\mathcal{Y}}. \end{cases}$$

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Existence and uniqueness

Theorem [KBHM]

Suppose

- \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} are finite-dimensional Eucledian spaces.
- $\eta = \eta_{\mathcal{X}} \otimes \eta_{\mathcal{Y}}$ and $\eta_{\mathcal{Y}}$ has convex support.
- Conditionals $\nu(\cdot|x)$ have Lebesgue densities.
- $\blacktriangleright \ \int_{\mathcal{Y}} \int_{\mathcal{X}} \|y\|^2 \nu(\mathrm{d} x, \mathrm{d} y) + \int_{\mathcal{Y}} \int_{\mathcal{X}} \|y\|^2 \eta(\mathrm{d} x, \mathrm{d} y) < +\infty.$

Consider the problem

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{T}^* &= \mathop{\arg\min}_{\mathsf{T}\in\mathcal{T}_B} D(\mathsf{T}_\sharp\eta||\nu),\\ \mathcal{T}_B &:= \Big\{\mathsf{T}(x,y) = \big(\mathsf{K}(x),\mathsf{S}(\mathsf{K}(x),y\big)\\ &\quad \text{such that }\mathsf{K} = \nabla_x k, \quad \mathsf{S} = \nabla_y s\\ &\quad \text{and } x\mapsto k(x), y\mapsto s(x,y) \text{ are convex} \Big\} \end{split}$$

Then T^{*} exists, is unique, and $S^*(x^*, \cdot)_{\sharp}\eta_{\mathcal{Y}} = \nu(\cdot|x^*)$.

Building an algorithm based on theory

$$\mathsf{T}^* = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\mathsf{T}\in\widehat{\mathcal{T}}} D_{\mathsf{WGAN}}(\mathsf{T}_\sharp\eta||\nu),$$

WGAN-GP discrepancy

$$D_{\mathsf{WGAN}}(\mathsf{T}_\sharp\eta||\nu) := \sup_{f\in\Gamma} \mathbb{E}_{z\sim\nu}f(z) - \mathbb{E}_{w\sim\eta}f(\mathsf{T}(w)) + \mathsf{Penalty}(f).$$

• Two choices for
$$\widehat{\mathcal{T}}$$
:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{T}_B &= \Big\{ \mathsf{T}(x,y) = \big(\mathsf{K}(x),\mathsf{S}(\mathsf{K}(x),y\big) \\ &\quad \mathsf{s.t.} \ \mathsf{K} = \nabla_x k, \quad \mathsf{S} = \nabla_y s, \quad k(\cdot), s(x,\cdot) \text{ are convex.} \Big\}, \\ \mathcal{T}_M &= \Big\{ \mathsf{T}(x,y) = \big(\mathsf{K}(x),\mathsf{S}(\mathsf{K}(x),y\big) \\ &\quad \mathsf{s.t.} \ \langle \mathsf{T}(w) - \mathsf{T}(w'), w - w' \rangle > 0 \quad \eta - \mathsf{a.e.} \ \Big\}. \end{split}$$

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Implementation with input-convex networks

$$T^* = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\mathsf{T}} D_{\mathsf{WGAN}}(\mathsf{T}_{\sharp}\eta_N || \nu_N),$$

- Training data: $\{z_j = (x_j, y_j)\}_{j=1}^N \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \nu$.
- Reference samples (free): $\{w_k\}_{k=1}^{2J} \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \eta$.
- Empirical WGAN-GP approximation

$$D_{\mathsf{WGAN}}(\mathsf{T}_{\sharp}\eta_N||\nu_N) := \max_f \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N f(z_j) - \frac{1}{J} \sum_{k=1}^J f(\mathsf{T}(w_k)) + \mathsf{Penalty}(f).$$

- Take $\mathsf{K}(x) = \nabla_x k(x)$ and $\mathsf{S}(x,y) = \nabla_y s(x,y)$.
- Parameterize k, s as input-convex neural nets.
- Parameterize f as neural net (discriminator).

Basic idea:

- Nonnegative sums of convex functions are convex.
- Composition of a convex and convex non-decreasing function is also convex.

^[11] B. Amos, L. Xu, and JZ Kolter. "Input convex neural networks". In: International Conference on Machine Learning. 2017, pp. 146–155.

Implementation with average monotonicity constraints

$$\mathsf{T}^* = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\mathsf{T}} \tilde{D}_{\mathsf{WGAN}}(\mathsf{T}_{\sharp}\eta || \nu),$$

- Similar setting as before.
- ▶ Parameterize K, S, f as arbitrary neural networks.
- Impose average monotonicity by adding Lagrange multiplier

$$\frac{1}{J}\sum_{k=1}^{J} \langle \mathsf{T}(w_k) - \mathsf{T}(w_{k+J}), w_k - w_{k+J} \rangle > 0.$$

Input-convex neural nets versus average monotonicity

Input-convex neural nets:

Pros:

- Backed by theory (uniqueness).
- Real valued neural network.
- Cons:
 - Requires specific architectures.
 - Training may be more involved.
 - Intrusive.

Average monotonicity:

- Pros:
 - Convenience.
 - Retrofit existing architectures.
 - Can track during training.
- Cons:
 - Sensitive dependence on Lagrange multiplier.
 - May be violated depending on problem.
 - Not supported theoretically (yet).

Monotone GANs Sampling and UQ

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{T}^* &= \mathop{\arg\min}_{\mathsf{T}} D_{\mathsf{WGAN}}(\mathsf{T}_\sharp \eta_N || \nu_N), \\ \mathsf{T}^*(x,y) &= \left(\mathsf{K}^*(x), \mathsf{S}^*(\mathsf{K}^*(x), y)\right) \end{split}$$

- Compute T* and extract the component S*.
- ▶ New input $x^* \in \mathcal{X}$.
- Generate new samples from reference marginal $\tilde{y}_k \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \eta_{\mathcal{Y}}$.

• Set
$$y_k = \mathsf{S}^*(x^*, \tilde{y}_k)$$
.

• Use the y_k to compute statistics of $\nu(\cdot|x^*)$.

A 1D example



▶ $N = 5 \times 10^4$ training samples with input $x \sim U(-3,3)$.



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A 1D example

$$y = \tanh(x) + \gamma$$
 $\gamma \sim \Gamma(1, 0.3),$ (4)

$$y = \tanh(x + \gamma) \qquad \qquad \gamma \sim N(0, 0.05), \tag{5}$$

$$y = \gamma \tanh(x)$$
 $\gamma \sim \Gamma(1, 0.3).$ (6)

• $N = 5 \times 10^4$ training samples with input $x \sim U(-3,3)$.

Three layer fully connected networks for K, S and discriminator f.



Darcy flow

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot (a(t)\nabla p(t)) = 1, & t \in (0,1)^2, \\ p(t) = 0, & t \in \partial(0,1)^2. \end{cases}$$

▶ Pressure field p(t).

► Permeability field $a(t) = A \mathbf{1}_{\Omega_A}(t) + B \mathbf{1}_{\Omega_B}(t)$.

• Goal: Recover y = (A, B) from measurements $x_j = p(t_j) + \gamma_j$ for $j = 1, \dots, 16$ and $\gamma_j \sim N(0, 10^{-7})$.



Darcy flow

$$\begin{cases} -\nabla\cdot(a(t)\nabla p(t))=1, & t\in(0,1)^2,\\ p(t)=0, & t\in\partial(0,1)^2. \end{cases}$$

- Prior $A \sim U(3,5), B \sim U(12,16).$
- Discretize PDE using finite differences.
- ▶ Train MGAN using 10⁵ training samples and three layer fully connected networks.
- ▶ Three data sets x_1^*, x_2^*, x_3^* generated from $y_1^* = (3.5, 13), y_2^* = (4, 14), y_3^* = (4.5, 15).$
- ▶ Posterior KDEs of MGAN and MCMC (pCN), both with 3×10^4 samples.



CelebA in-painting

- CelebA training set: 162,770 images of size $64 \times 64 \times 3$ (RGB).
- Observation x: top half of image.
- ▶ Parameter *y*: entire image.
- Given top half x* from CelebA test set generate 1000 possible MGAN in-paintings y|x*.
- Compute pixel-wise variances and sample mean.





CelebA in-painting



Summary

- A model agnostic method for conditional sampling.
 - Probabilistic supervised learning.
 - Bayesian inverse problems.
 - Likelihood-free inference.
- Measure transport view point towards conditioning.
- Straightforward implementation:
 - Retrofitting existing architectures with average monotonicity constraints.
 - Exact monotonicity constraints with input-convex neural nets.

When to use MGANs:

- Large training sets.
- Inverse problems with unknown or black-box forward maps.
- Intractable likelihood.

When not to use MGANs:

- Limited amounts of training data.
- Expensive forward maps.
- Highly concentrated target distributions.

Open questions and future directions

Approximation theory: (KBHM + Sagiv)

- Connecting map approximations to quality of samples.
- Different approximation classes (polynomials, splines, RBFs, neural nets, etc).
- Tail behavior of maps.
- Consistency of minimizers in large data limits.
- Kernel formulation: (H + Owhadi)
 - Maximum mean discrepancy.
 - Parameterize T in RKHS (kernels, random features, etc).
 - Warped kernels and compositions of Gaussian processes.

Open questions and future directions

Sample complexity.

- Choice of architecture:
 - GANs, ICNNs, Monotone nets, Neural ODEs, etc.
- Choice of cost function:
 - GAN, Wasserstein GAN, Kullback-Leibler divergence, Wasserstein metrics, etc.
- MGAN for inverse problems:
 - How does MGAN compare to MCMC?
 - Non-Gaussian priors and complicated posteriors.
 - Experimental design/active learning for MGANs?

Thank you

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