

Martingale Optimal Transport

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Martingale Optimal Transport on the line

Let $\Omega := \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$, and introduce the canonical process

$$X(\omega) = x, \quad Y(\omega) = y \quad \text{for all } \omega = (x, y) \in \Omega.$$

Transport plans :

$$\Pi(\mu, \nu) := \{ \mathbb{P} \in \text{Prob}(\Omega) : \mathbb{P} \circ X^{-1} = \mu, \mathbb{P} \circ Y^{-1} = \nu \}$$

Martingale Transport plans : μ, ν have finite first moment,

$$\mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu) := \{ \mathbb{P} \in \Pi(\mu, \nu) : \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}}[Y|X] = X \}$$

i.e. $\mathbb{P}(d\omega) = \mu(dx)\mathbb{P}_x(dy)$, whose **desintegration** \mathbb{P}_x has barycenter x

Martingale Optimal Transport problem

$$\sup_{\mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu)} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}}[c(X, Y)]$$

Martingale restriction

- $\mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}}[Y|X] = X$ iff $\mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}}[h(x)(Y - X)] = 0$ for all $h \in C_b^0$
 $\implies h$ will act as Lagrange multipliers... Denote

$$h^{\otimes}(x, y) := h(x)(y - x), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

[complementing the standard notations $\varphi \oplus \psi$]

- Strassen '65 : $\mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu) \neq \emptyset$ iff $\mu \preceq \nu$ in convex order :

$$\mu[f] \leq \nu[f] \quad \text{for all } f : \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ convex}$$

- $\mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu)$ closed convex subset of $\Pi(\mu, \nu)$...

Kantorovitch dual formulation

Martingale Optimal Transport : $c : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ measurable

$$P(\mu, \nu) := \sup_{\mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu)} \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}}[c], \quad \mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu) := \{ \mathbb{P} \in \Pi(\mu, \nu) : \mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}}[Y|X] = X \}$$

Pointwise Dual Problem :

$$D(\mu, \nu) := \sup_{(\varphi, \psi, h) \in \mathcal{D}(c)} \mu[\varphi] + \nu[\psi]$$

where

$$\mathcal{D}(c) := \{ (\varphi, \psi, h) : \varphi \oplus \psi + h^{\otimes} \geq c \text{ on } \Omega \}$$

Continuous-time Transport Plans

Let $\Omega := C^0([0, T], \mathbb{R})$ or $\Omega := \text{RCLL}([0, T], \mathbb{R})$, with canonical process and filtration

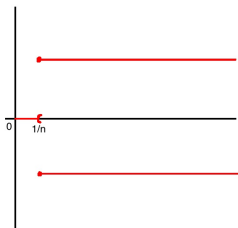
$$X_t(\omega) = \omega(t), \quad \mathcal{F}_t := \sigma(X_s, s \leq t) \quad \text{for all } 0 \leq t \leq T$$

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A first difficulty : $\Pi(\mu, \nu)$ is not weakly compact

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &:= \delta_0 \\ \nu &:= \frac{1}{2}(\delta_{-1} + \delta_1) \end{aligned}$$



Continuous-time Martingale Transport

Martingale Transport plans : μ, ν have finite first moment,

$$\mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu) := \{ \mathbb{P} \in \Pi(\mu, \nu) : X \text{ is } \mathbb{P} - \text{martingale} \}$$

i.e. $\mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}}[X_t | \mathcal{F}_s] = X_s$ for all $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$, or “equivalently” :

$$\mathbb{E}^{\mathbb{P}} \left[\int_0^T h_t dX_t \right] = 0 \text{ for } \mathbb{F} - \text{meas. bdd } h : [0, T] \times \Omega \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

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Dual Problem :

$$D(\mu, \nu) := \sup_{(\varphi, \psi, h) \in \mathcal{D}(c)} \mu[\varphi] + \nu[\psi]$$

where

$$D(c) := \left\{ (\varphi, \psi, h) : \varphi(X_0) + \psi(X_T) + \underbrace{\int_0^T h_t dX_t}_{!!!} \geq c \text{ on } \Omega \right\}$$

Extensions

- Martingale optimal transport in \mathbb{R}^d
- Multiple marginals
- Full marginals,

e.g. fake Brownian motion : $\mu_t = \mathcal{N}(0, t)$ for all $t \geq 0$

[Hamza, Klebaner... Yor and co-authors]

Some References

- Introduced by Pierre Henry-Labordère,

Discrete-time : Beiglböck, Davis, De March, Ghoussoub, Griessler, Henry-Labordère, Hobson, Kim, Klimmek, Lim, Neuberger, Nutz, Penkner, Juillet, Schachermayer, NT

Continuous-time : Beiglböck, Bayraktar, Claisse, Cox, Davis, Dolinsky, Galichon, Guo, Hu, Henry-Labordère, Hobson, Huesmann, Perkowski, Proemel, Kallblad, Klimmek, Obloj, Siorpaes, Soner, Spoida, Stebegg, Tan, NT, Zaeu

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Formulation of the SEP

$(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{F}, \mathbb{P})$ filtered probability space, B Brownian motion

SEP(ν) : Find a stopping time τ such that

$$\mathbb{P} \circ (B_\tau)^{-1} = \nu \quad \text{and} \quad B_{\cdot \wedge \tau} \text{ UI}$$

SEP(μ, ν) : Find a stopping time τ such that

$$\mathbb{P} \circ (B_0)^{-1} = \mu, \quad \mathbb{P} \circ (B_\tau)^{-1} = \nu \quad \text{and} \quad B_{\cdot \wedge \tau} \text{ UI}$$

Possibly under weak formulation...

Motivation of the SEP

Weak law of large numbers \implies Central Limit Theorem

$X_i \sim iid \mu$ centered measure

$X_i = B_{\tau_i}^i$, with $\tau_i \sim iid \tau$, and B^i iid BM. Then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = B_{T_n}, \quad \text{where} \quad T_n := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tau_i \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} \mathbb{E}[\tau] = \mathbb{E}[X_i^2]$$

Some solutions of the SEP

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- Vallois

Many many more

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- Doob
- Root $\implies \min_{\tau} \mathbb{E}[\tau]$ (Rost)
- Azéma-Yor $\implies \max_{\tau} \mathbb{E}[B_{\tau}^*]$
- Vallois $\implies \max_{\tau} \mathbb{E}[L_{\tau}]$

Many many more

Connection with Martingale Transport

The process $\{X_t := X_0 + B_{\frac{t}{T-t} \wedge T}, t \in [0, T]\}$ martingale with $X_T = B_T \sim \nu$

Conversely, every martingale is a time-changed Brownian motion

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From options prices to marginals

- X : price of a risky asset at time 1, interest rate = 0
- Prices of options defined by payoff $(X - K)^+$, and $(K - X)^+$ are available for all strikes K

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- For $\varphi \in C^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(X) = & \varphi(x_0) + (X - x_0)\varphi'(x_0) \\ & + \int_{x_0}^{\infty} (X - K)^+ \varphi''(K) dK + \int_{-\infty}^{x_0} (K - x)^+ \varphi''(K) dK\end{aligned}$$

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\implies after two integrations by parts

$$\pi(\varphi(X)) = \int \varphi(K) C''(dK) = \int \varphi(K) \mu(dK) = \mu(\varphi)$$

- By density, $\pi(\varphi(X)) = \mu(\varphi)$ for all φ , up to measurability...

Hedgin instruments

X and Y prices of an asset at times 1 and 2, Interest rate = 0

Prices C_1, C_2 of options of maturities 1, 2 available for all strikes

Then, prices of Vanilla options with maturities 1 and 2

$$\pi(\varphi(X)) = \mu(\varphi), \quad \pi(\psi(Y)) = \nu(\psi), \quad \mu := C_1'' \text{ and } \nu := C_2''$$

In addition, **dynamic trading for zero cost**

$$\underbrace{h_0(X - X_0)}_{\rightsquigarrow \varphi(X)} + h_1(X)(Y - X) \implies h_1(X)(Y - X) =: h_1^\otimes(X, Y)$$

Robust / Model-Free Superhedging Problem

- Exotic option defined by the payoff $c(X, Y)$ at time 2 :

$$c : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Robust super hedging problem naturally formulated as :

$$\mathbf{D}(\mu, \nu) := \inf_{(\varphi, \psi, h) \in \mathcal{D}} \{ \mu(\varphi) + \nu(\psi) \}$$

where

$$\mathcal{D} := \{ (\varphi, \psi, h) \in \mathbb{L}^1(\mu) \times \mathbb{L}^1(\nu) \times \mathbb{L}^0 : \varphi \oplus \psi + h^{\otimes} \geq c \}$$

\equiv Kantorovitch dual

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Duality for USC claim

Theorem (Beiglböck, Henry-Labordère, Penkner)

Assume $c \in \text{USC}$ and bounded from above. Then $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$, and existence holds for $\mathbf{P}(\mu, \nu)$ for all $\mu \preceq \nu$

- There are easy examples where existence for the dual fails, even for bounded c , bounded support... (Beiglböck, Henry-Labordère & Penkner, Beiglböck, Nutz & NT)
- The condition $c \in \text{USC}$ is not innocent, e.g. duality fails for the LSC function $c(x, y) := \mathbb{1}_{\{x \neq y\}}$ on $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$

Quasi-sure robust superhedging

Definition

$\mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu)$ -q.s. (quasi surely) means \mathbb{P} -a.s. for all $\mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu)$

- The quasi-sure robust superhedging cost

$$\mathbf{D}^{qs} := \inf_{(\varphi, \psi, h) \in \mathcal{D}^{qs}} \{ \mu(\varphi) + \nu(\psi) \}$$

$$\mathcal{D}^{qs} := \{ (\varphi, \psi, h) : \in \hat{\mathcal{L}}(\mu, \nu) \times \mathbb{L}^0, \varphi \oplus \psi + h^{\otimes} \geq c, \mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu) - \text{q.s.} \}$$

is more natural... ($\hat{\mathcal{L}}(\mu, \nu) \supset \mathbb{L}^1(\mu) \times \mathbb{L}^1(\nu)$)

- Then, $\mathbf{D}(\mu, \nu) \geq \mathbf{D}^{qs}(\mu, \nu) \geq \mathbf{P}(\mu, \nu)$

so if the duality $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{D}$ holds, it follows that $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{D}^{qs}$

Structure of polar sets in (standard) optimal transport

$\mathcal{N}_\mu := \{\nu - \text{null sets}\}, \mathcal{N}_\nu \dots$

Theorem (Kellerer)

For $N \subset \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$, TFAE :

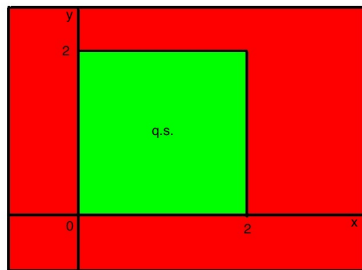
- $\mathbb{P}[N] = 0$ for all $\mathbb{P} \in \Pi(\mu, \nu)$
- $N \subset (N_\mu \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times N_\nu)$ for some $N_\mu \in \mathcal{N}_\mu, N_\nu \in \mathcal{N}_\nu$

\implies no difference between the pointwise and the quasi-sure formulations in standard optimal transport

Pointwise versus Quasi-sure superhedging I

Suppose $\text{Supp}(\mu) = [0, 2] = \text{Supp}(\nu) = [0, 2]$, then

- $\mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu)$ -q.s. only involves the values $(x, y) \in [0, 2]^2$
- Pointwise superhedging involves all values $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

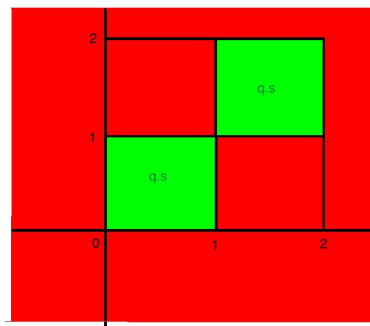


Pointwise versus Quasi-sure superhedging II

Suppose $\text{Supp}(\mu) = \text{Supp}(\nu) = [0, 2]$, and $C_\mu(1) = C_\nu(1)$

$$\mathbb{E}[(X - 1)^+] = \mathbb{E}[(Y - 1)^+] \leq \mathbb{E}[(X - 1)^+]$$

by Jensen's inequality, and then $\{X \geq 1\} = \{Y \geq 1\}$



Structure of polar sets in martingale optimal transport

Potential functions $U^\mu(x) := \int |\xi - x| \mu(d\xi)$, $U^\nu(x) := \dots$, then :

$$\{U^\mu < U^\nu\} = \cup_{k \geq 0} I_k, \quad I_k = (a_k, b_k), \quad J_k := I_k \cup \{\nu - \text{atoms} \in \bar{I}_k\}$$

Theorem (Beiglböck, Nutz & NT '15)

For $N \subset \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$, TFAE :

- $\mathbb{P}[N] = 0$ for all $\mathbb{P} \in \mathcal{M}(\mu, \nu)$
- $N \subset (N_\mu \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times N_\nu) \cup \Delta^c$ for some $N_\mu \in \mathcal{N}_\mu$, $N_\nu \in \mathcal{N}_\nu$

$$\Delta := \{(x, x)\} \cup \left[\cup_k (I_k \times J_k) \right]$$

Integrability

Definition

$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ **convex** is called a (μ, ν) -moderator for (φ, ψ) if

$$\varphi - f \in \mathbb{L}^1(\mu), \quad \psi + f \in \mathbb{L}^1(\nu), \quad \text{and} \quad (\nu - \mu)(f) < \infty$$

We denote

$$\hat{\mathbb{L}}(\mu, \nu) := \{(\varphi, \psi) \text{ admitting some convex moderator}\}$$

For $(\varphi, \psi) \in \hat{\mathbb{L}}(\mu, \nu)$, the value

$$\mu(\varphi) + \nu(\psi) := \mu(\varphi - f) + \nu(\psi + f) + (\nu - \mu)(f)$$

is independent of the choice of the moderator f

Duality and existence under quasi-sure robust superhedging

Theorem (Beiglböck, Nutz & NT '15)

Let $\mu \preceq \nu$ and $c \geq 0$ measurable. Then

$$\mathbf{P}(\mu, \nu) = \mathbf{D}^{qs}(\mu, \nu)$$

and existence holds for \mathbf{D}^{qs} , whenever finite

Extensions

- Geometry of martingale transport plans on the line : started from Beiglbock & Juillet '15
- Extension to \mathbb{R}^n :
 - Lim '16 : 1-dim marginals constraints $(\mu_i, \nu_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$
 - Ghossoub, Kim & Lim '16, and De March '17...
- Complete duality for continuous-time martingale transport ??