



# Towards Marginal Fairness Sliced Wasserstein Barycenter

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#### Sliced Wasserstein Distance

Let  $\mu, \nu$  be two probability measures that has supports in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , the sliced Wasserstein distance of order  $p \geq 1$ :

$$SW_p(\mu,
u) = \left(\mathbb{E}_{ heta \sim \mathcal{U}(S^{d-1})}\left[W_p^p( heta\sharp\mu, heta\sharp
u)
ight]
ight)^{rac{1}{p}}$$

where  $\mathbb{S}^{d-1}$  is the unit-hypersphere, the Wasserstein distance on one-dimension has the closed-form:

$$\mathbb{W}_p(\mu,
u) = \left( \int_0^1 |F_\mu^{-1}(z) - F_
u^{-1}(z)|^p \, dz 
ight)^{rac{1}{p}}$$

and  $\theta \sharp \mu$  denotes the pushforward probability measure of  $\mu$  through the function  $T_{\theta}: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$  with  $T_{\theta}(x) = \theta^{\top} x$ , and  $F^{-1}$  denotes the inverse CDF.

# Sliced Wasserstein Barycenter

For  $K \geq 2$  marginals  $\mu_1, \ldots, \mu_K \in \mathcal{P}_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ 

$$\min_{\mu} \mathcal{F}(\mu) = \sum_{k=1}^K \omega_k \, SW_p^{\,p}(\mu,\mu_k)$$

uniform case:  $\omega_1 = \cdots = \omega_K = \frac{1}{K}$ 

Let  $\mu_{\phi}$  be parameterized, then estimate gradient of barycenter by:

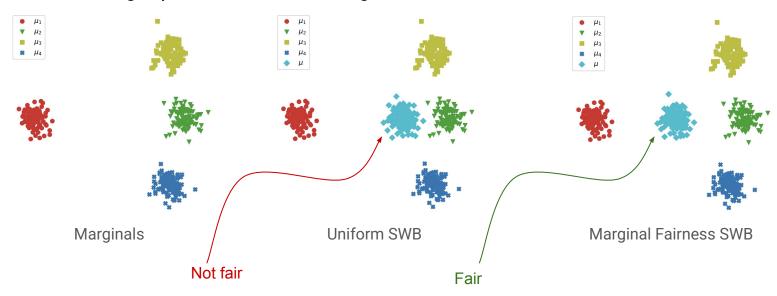
$$abla_{\phi}\mathbf{SW}_{p}^{p}(\mu_{\phi},\mu_{k}) = 
abla_{\phi}\mathbb{E}_{ heta\sim\mathcal{U}(\mathbb{S}^{d-1})}\left[\mathbf{W}_{p}^{p}( heta\sharp\mu_{\phi}, heta\sharp\mu_{k})
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ight]$$

Monte Carlo estimator:

$$abla_{\phi} SW_p^p(\mu_{\phi},\mu_k) pprox rac{1}{L} \sum_{l=1}^L 
abla_{\phi} W_p^p( heta_l \sharp \mu_{\phi}, heta_l \sharp \mu_k)$$

#### **Motivations**

**Objective**: Find a barycenter that minimizes the distances to marginals while having equal distances to marginals at the same time.



# Marginal Fairness Sliced Wasserstein Barycenter

For  $K \geq 2$  marginals  $\mu_1, \ldots, \mu_K \in \mathcal{P}_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and admissible  $\epsilon \geq 0$ 

$$\min_{\mu} rac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K SW_p^p(\mu,\mu_k)$$

s.t.  $rac{2}{(K-1)K} \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^{K} |SW_p^p(\mu,\mu_i) - SW_p^p(\mu,\mu_j)| \leq \epsilon.$ 

Lagrange Multiplier: Marginal Fairness Sliced Wasserstein barycenter (MFSWB)

$$egin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(\mu,\lambda) &= rac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \mathsf{SW}_p^p(\mu,\mu_k) + \ &rac{2\lambda}{(K-1)K} \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^K |\mathsf{SW}_p^p(\mu,\mu_i) - \mathsf{SW}_p^p(\mu,\mu_j)| - \lambda\epsilon \end{aligned}$$

# Marginal Fairness Sliced Wasserstein Barycenter

surrogate Marginal Fairness Sliced Wasserstein Barycenter (s-MFSWB)

$$\min_{\mu} \mathcal{SF}(\mu;\mu_{1:K}); \quad \mathcal{SF}(\mu;\mu_{1:K}) = \max_{k \in \{1,\ldots,K\}} SW_p^p(\mu,\mu_k).$$

unbiased surrogate Marginal Fairness Sliced Wasserstein Barycenter (us-MFSWB)

$$\min_{\mu} \mathcal{USF}(\mu;\mu_{1:K}); \quad \mathcal{USF}(\mu;\mu_{1:K}) = \mathbb{E}_{ heta \sim \mathcal{U}(S^{d-1})} \left[ \max_{k \in \{1,\ldots,K\}} W_p^p( heta_H^{\mu_k}, heta_H^{\mu_{kk}}) 
ight].$$

# Marginal Fairness Sliced Wasserstein Barycenter

energy-based surrogate Marginal Fairness Sliced Wasserstein Barycenter (es-MFSWB)

$$\min_{\mu} \mathcal{ESF}(\mu;\mu_{1:K}); \quad \mathcal{ESF}(\mu;\mu_{1:K}) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim \sigma(\theta;\mu,\mu_{1:K})} \left[ \max_{k \in \{1,\ldots,K\}} W_p^p(\theta \sharp \mu, \theta \sharp \mu_k) \right].$$
 Energy-based Slicing distribution instead of Uniform distribution

## **Experiments**

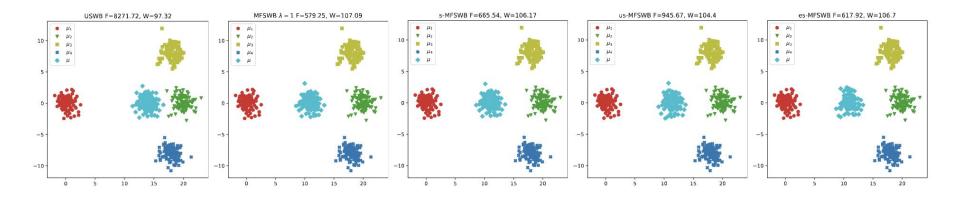
F metric: represents the marginal fairness degree of the barycenter

$$F = rac{2}{K(K-1)} \sum_{i=1}^{K-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^{K} |W_p^p(\mu,\mu_i) - W_p^p(\mu,\mu_j)|$$

W metric: represents the centrality of the barycenter

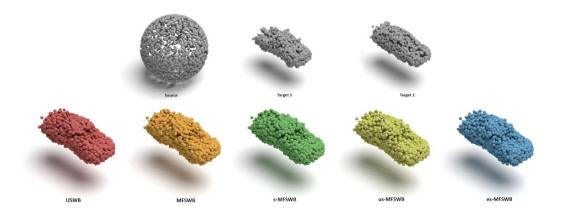
$$W=rac{1}{K}\sum_{i=1}^K W_p^p(\mu,\mu_i)$$

# Experiments: Toy example barycenter of Gaussian



# **Experiments: 3D Point Cloud Averaging**

| Method                | Iteration 0      |                   | Iteration 1000              |                                   | Iteration 5000                   |                  | Iteration 10000              |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
|                       | F (\( \psi\)     | <b>W</b> (↓)      | F (\dagger)                 | <b>W</b> (↓)                      | F (\dagger)                      | <b>W</b> (↓)     | F (\dagger)                  | <b>W</b> (↓)     |
| USWB                  | $252.24 \pm 0.0$ | $3746.05 \pm 0.0$ | $4.89 \pm 0.28$             | $85.72 \pm 0.18$                  | $3.79 \pm 0.32$                  | $45.37 \pm 0.18$ | $1.55 \pm 0.48$              | $39.81 \pm 0.18$ |
| MFSWB $\lambda = 0.1$ | $252.24 \pm 0.0$ | $3746.05 \pm 0.0$ | $4.76 \pm 0.27$             | $84.86 \pm 0.17$                  | $3.78 \pm 0.2$                   | $45.2 \pm 0.11$  | $1.32 \pm 0.22$              | $39.73 \pm 0.16$ |
| MFSWB $\lambda = 1$   | $252.24 \pm 0.0$ | $3746.05 \pm 0.0$ | $0.49 \pm 0.2$              | $79.08 \pm 0.15$                  | $3.64 \pm 0.26$                  | $44.71 \pm 0.19$ | $1.03 \pm 0.06$              | $39.45 \pm 0.18$ |
| MFSWB $\lambda = 10$  | $252.24 \pm 0.0$ | $3746.05 \pm 0.0$ | $4.03 \pm 2.43$             | $\textbf{71.24} \pm \textbf{0.9}$ | $7.32 \pm 2.5$                   | $45.21 \pm 0.2$  | $4.13 \pm 2.48$              | $42.56 \pm 0.36$ |
| s-MFSWB               | $252.24 \pm 0.0$ | $3746.05 \pm 0.0$ | $2.52 \pm 0.77$             | $81.84 \pm 0.14$                  | $4.01 \pm 0.38$                  | $44.9 \pm 0.13$  | $1.15 \pm 0.09$              | $39.58 \pm 0.17$ |
| us-MFSWB              | $252.24 \pm 0.0$ | $3746.05 \pm 0.0$ | $0.3 \pm 0.18$              | $78.69 \pm 0.17$                  | $3.74 \pm 0.26$                  | $44.38 \pm 0.1$  | $0.87 \pm 0.18$              | $39.26 \pm 0.1$  |
| es-MFSWB              | $252.24 \pm 0.0$ | $3746.05 \pm 0.0$ | $\boldsymbol{0.2 \pm 0.19}$ | $78.1 \pm 0.16$                   | $\textbf{3.5} \pm \textbf{0.29}$ | $44.37 \pm 0.08$ | $\boldsymbol{0.84 \pm 0.22}$ | $39.18 \pm 0.08$ |



# **Experiments: Color Harmonization**





## **Experiments: Sliced Wasserstein Autoencoder**

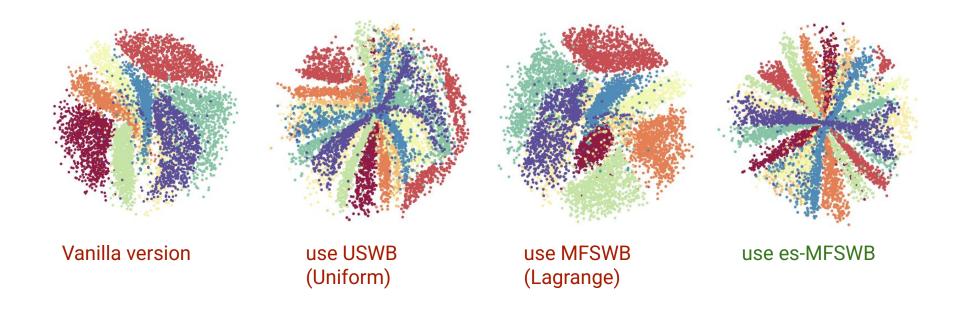
SW Autoencoder objective

New added objective

$$egin{align*} oldsymbol{ op} \min_{\phi,\psi} \mathbb{E} \left[ rac{1}{KM} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^M c(X_{ki}, g_{\psi}(f_{\phi}(X_{ki}))) + \kappa_1 SW_p^p \left( P_Z, P_{(f_{\phi}(X_k))_{k=1}^K} 
ight) 
ight. \ \left. + \kappa_2 \mathcal{B} \left( P_Z; P_{f_{\phi}(X_1)} : P_{f_{\phi}(X_K)} 
ight) 
ight] oldsymbol{ op} . \end{aligned}$$

| Methods                | RL (↓) | $W_{2,latent}^2 \times 10^2 (\downarrow)$ | $W_{2,\text{image}}^2 	imes 10^2 \left(\downarrow\right)$ | $F \times 10^2 (\downarrow)$ | $W \times 10^2 (\downarrow)$ | $ F_{images}(\downarrow) $ |
|------------------------|--------|---|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| SWAE                   | 3.002  | 9.949                                     | 26.572  | 17.661                       | 28.512                       | 7.787                      |
| USWB                   | 3.195  | 9.174                                     | 27.446  | 5.190                        | 12.448                       | 7.140                      |
| MFSWB $\lambda = 0.1$  | 2.812  | 8.981                                     | 26.636  | 17.206                       | 28.734                       | 7.846                      |
| MFSWB $\lambda = 1.0$  | 2.883  | 7.978                                     | 26.355  | 18.069                       | 29.701                       | 7.367                      |
| MFSWB $\lambda = 10.0$ | 3.801  | 8.497                                     | 26.658  | 18.501                       | 28.768                       | 7.950                      |
| s-MFSWB                | 3.170  | 7.806                                     | 28.277  | 2.037                        | 8.699                        | 7.419                      |
| us-MFSWB               | 2.833  | 8.720                                     | 27.939  | 2.072                        | 7.780                        | 6.898                      |
| es-MFSWB               | 3.056  | 9.154                                     | 28.012  | 1.760                        | 7.268                        | 7.485                      |

# Experiments: Sliced Wasserstein Autoencoder



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**Paper:** https://openreview.net/pdf?id=NQqJPPCesd

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