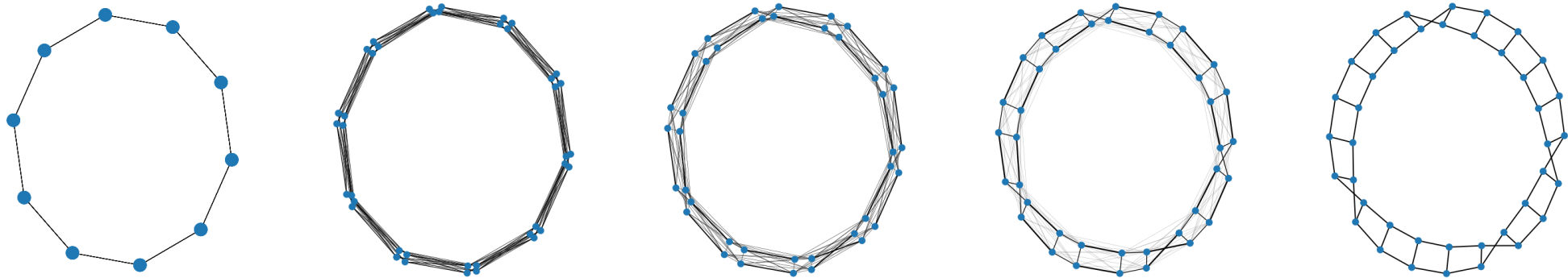


Gromov-Wasserstein Learning in a Riemannian Framework



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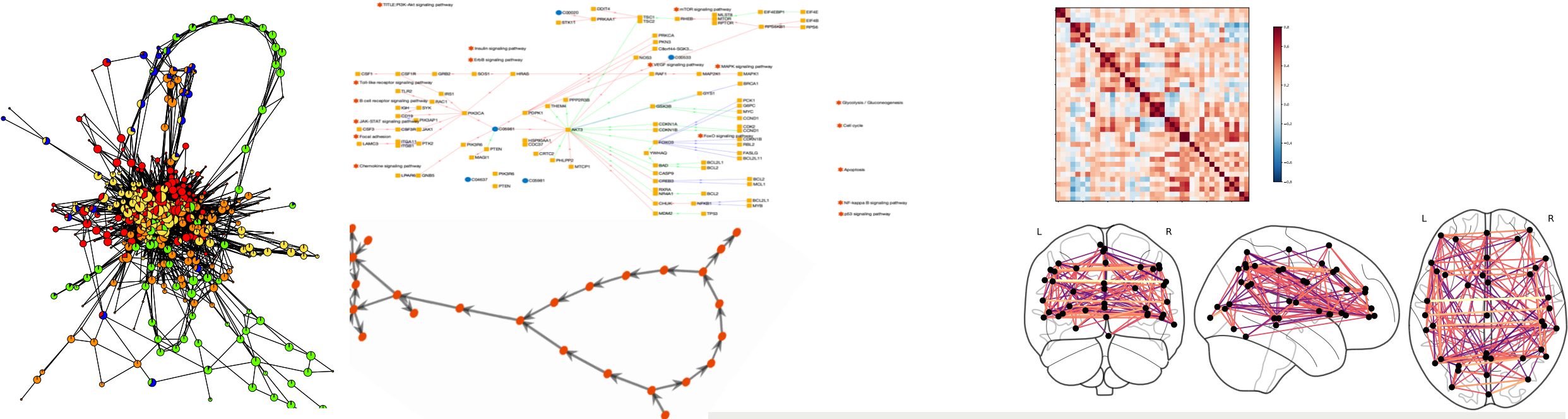
Papers:

- *The Gromov-Wasserstein distance between networks and stable network invariants* (C., Mémoli 2019)
- *Gromov-Wasserstein Averaging in a Riemannian Framework* (C., Needham 2020)
- *Generalized Spectral Clustering via Gromov-Wasserstein Learning* (C., Needham 2020)
- *(Upcoming) Exploring the landscape of brain dynamics using topological data analysis* (Geniesse*, C.*, Saggar)
- *(Upcoming) The topology of time: transition networks in simulated and real neural dynamics* (Zhang*, C., Saggar)

Code:

- <https://github.com/trneedham/gromov-wasserstein-statistics>
- <https://github.com/trneedham/Spectral-Gromov-Wasserstein>

Networks from data



Graph Learning:

- Graph Matching
- Graph Partitioning
- Graph Barycenters/Frechet means
- Graph PCA
 - Ideally all “without leaving graph space”

Mathematical framework: Sturm’s “space of spaces”

- Metric measure spaces equipped with GW distance
- Geodesics, spaces of directions, gradient flows
- General enough for many flavors of graph representations

Contributions:

- Difficulties in adapting geometric statistics techniques (Pennec et al.) to Sturm’s space of spaces
- (C., Needham ‘20) Heat kernel representations solve most difficulties

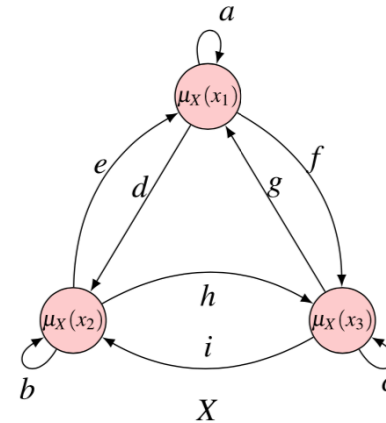
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Graph Matching problem (Umeyama 1988, Zaslavskiy-Bach-Vert 2009, many others):

G, H graphs on n nodes
 A^G, A^H adjacency matrices
 \mathcal{P} permutation matrices on n nodes

Graph Matching problem: $\min_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \|A^G - PA^H P^T\|^2$

- When $|G| \neq |H|$, need to optimize over $|G| \times |H|$ matrices in $\{0,1\}$ with all row/column sums ≥ 1
- Carlsson, Mémoli, Ribeiro, Segarra 2013:

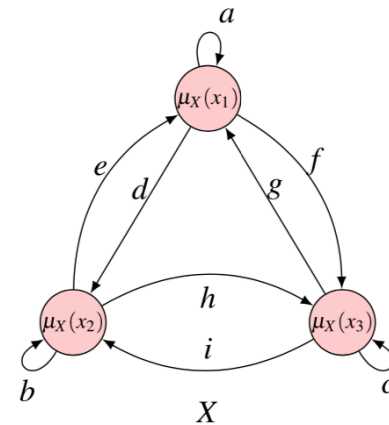
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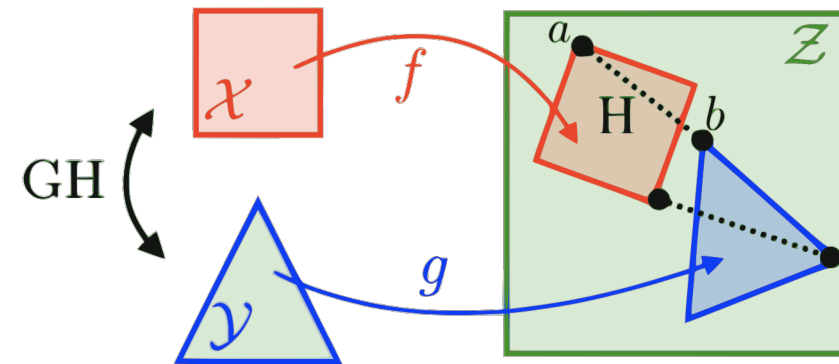


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[Peyré, Cuturi
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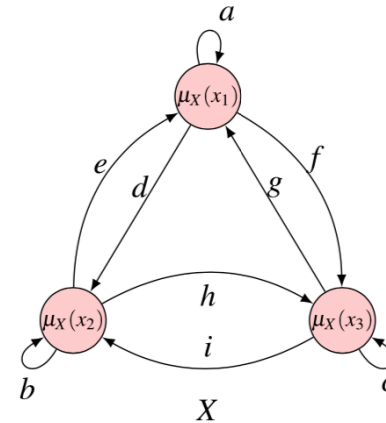
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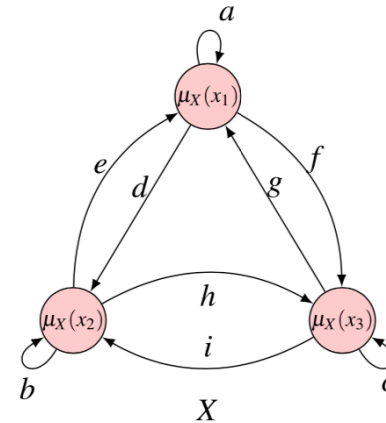
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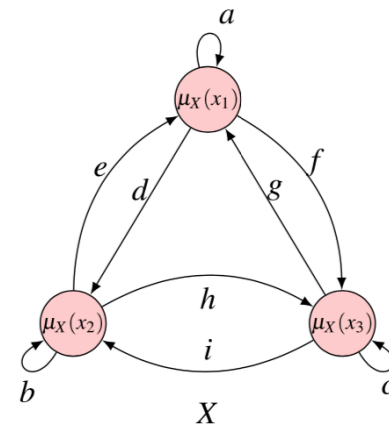
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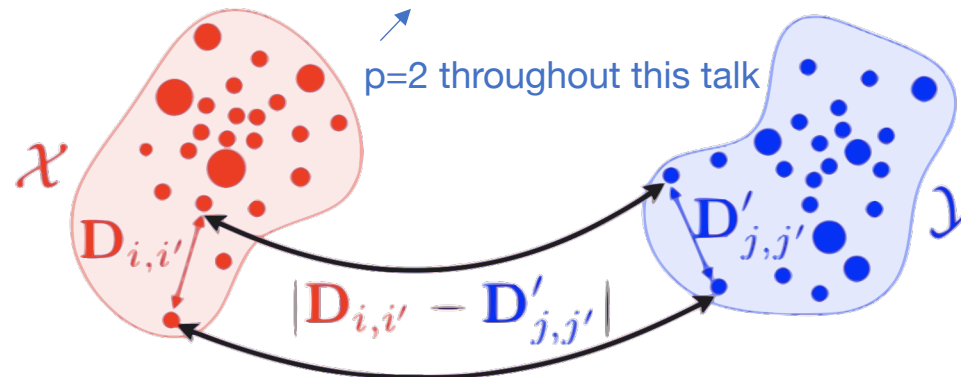
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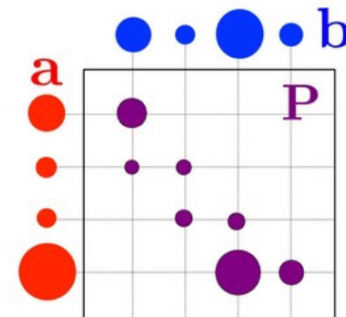
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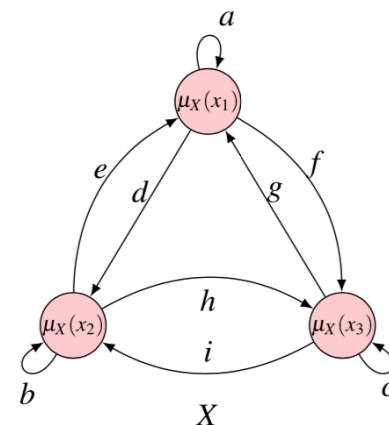
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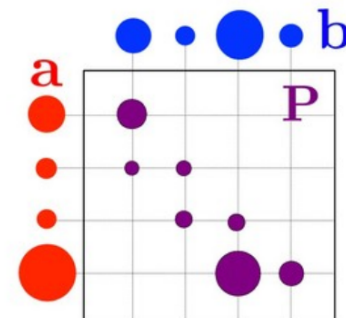
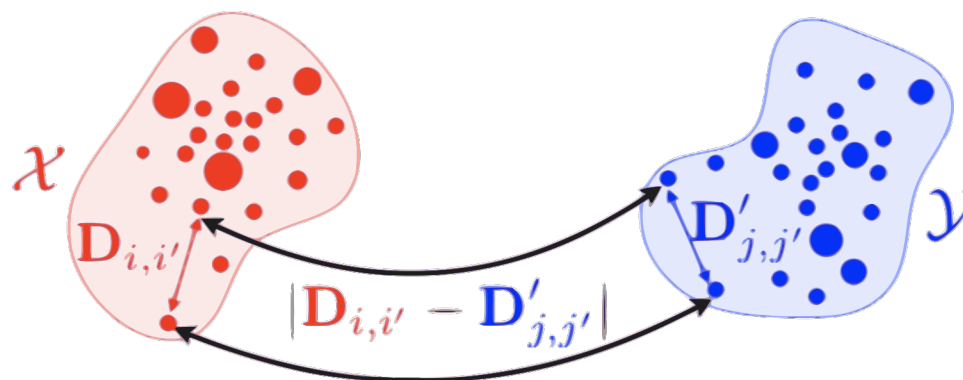
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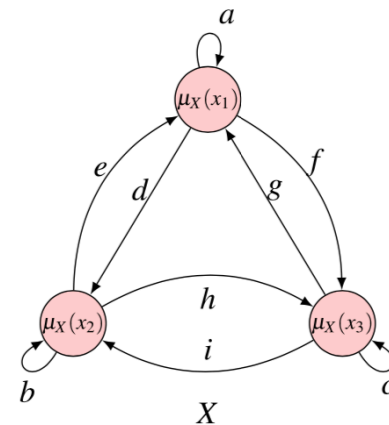
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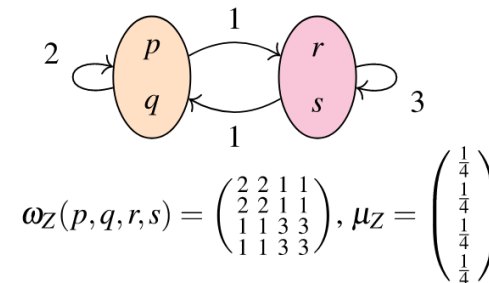
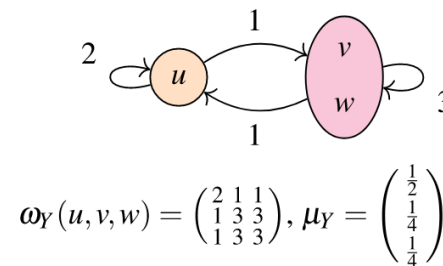
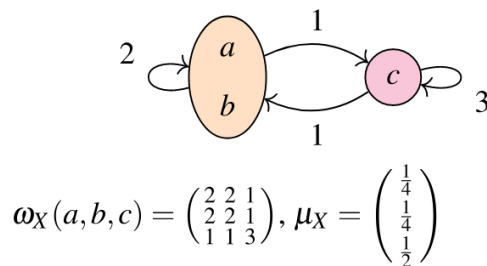
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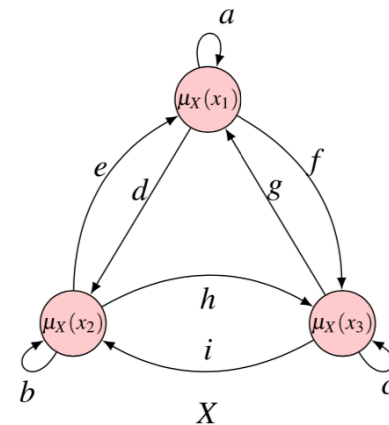
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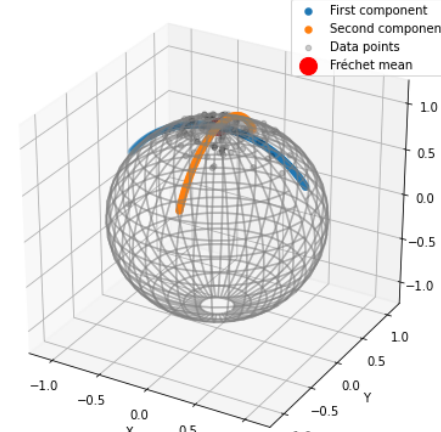
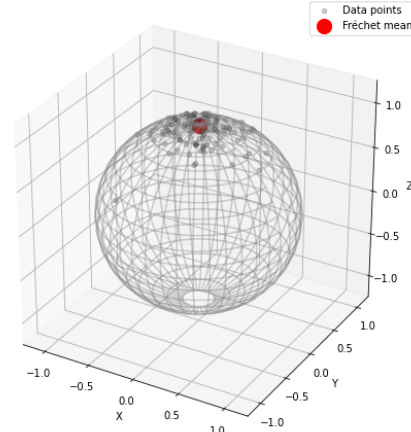
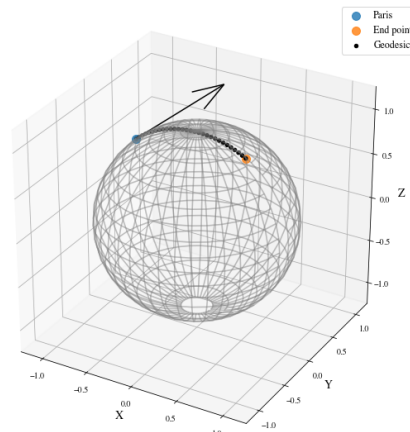
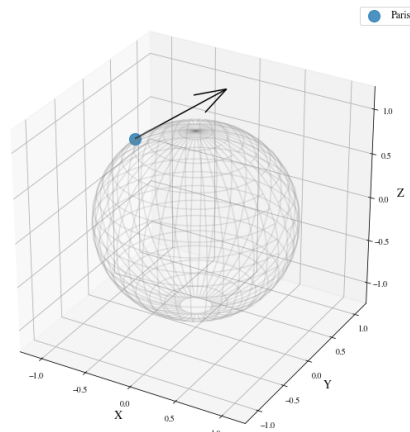
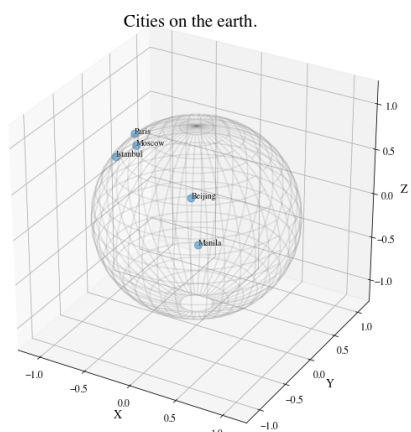
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(C., Needham 2019) Graph Learning framework = Graphs in GW space + GW Riemannian structures + “geomstats” in GW space



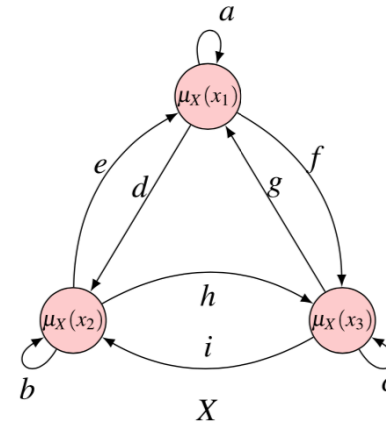
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But this is hard...

- “Sturm geodesics” between $(X, \omega_X, \mu_X), (Y, \omega_Y, \mu_Y)$ occur over product space $X \times Y$, difficult to handle numerically
 - Exponential time/space complexity for computing barycenters

(C., Needham 2019) Compute geodesics over support of an optimal coupling $\mu \in \Pi(\mu_X, \mu_Y)$

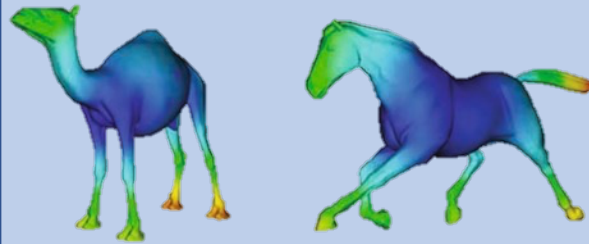
- Sparse couplings support tractable computations
- Little known about structure of couplings except special cases (GW matching between points on \mathbb{R} [Vayer et al., Sliced GW 2019] or subsets of \mathbb{R}^n with rotationally invariant measures [Sturm 2020])

(C., Needham 2020) Networks represented by heat kernel yield sparse couplings with $o(n)$ nonzero entries

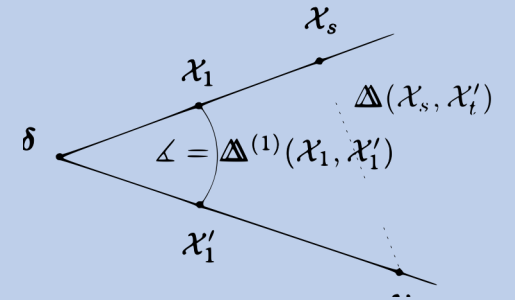
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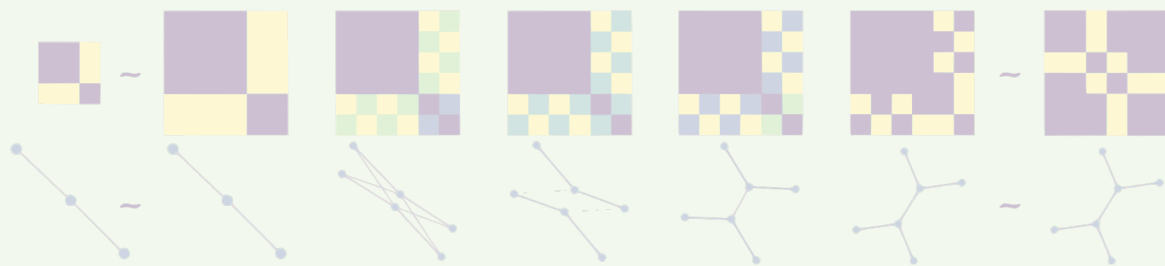


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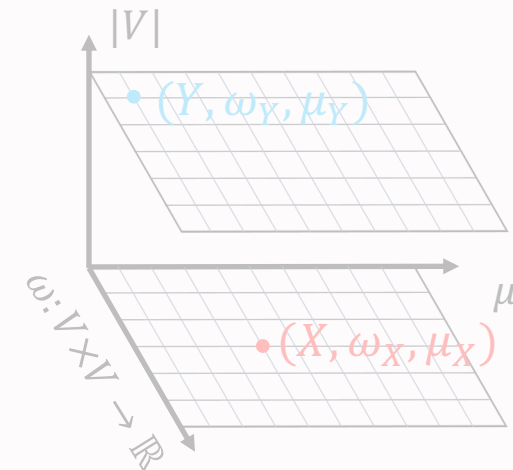


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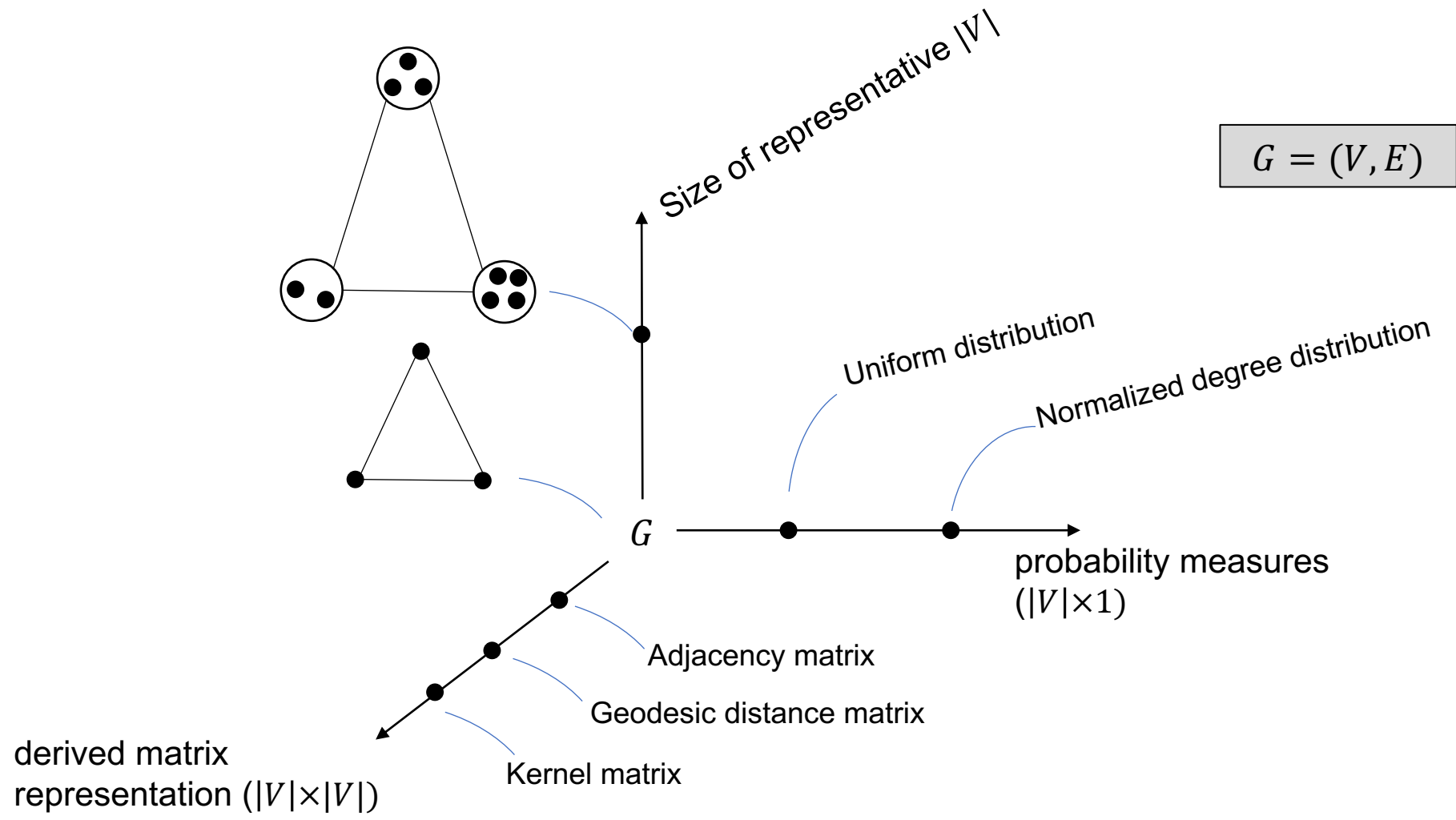
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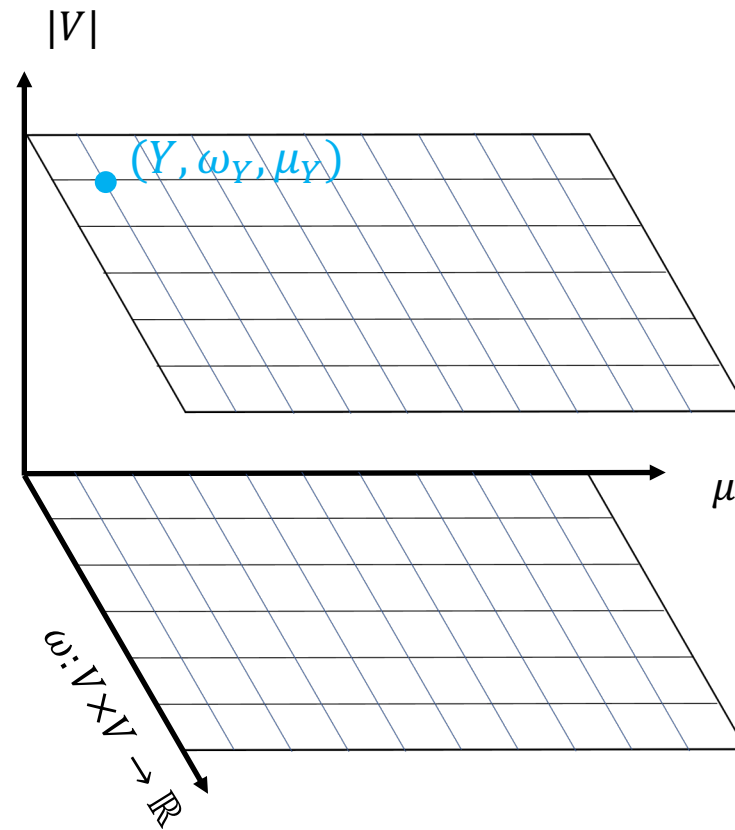
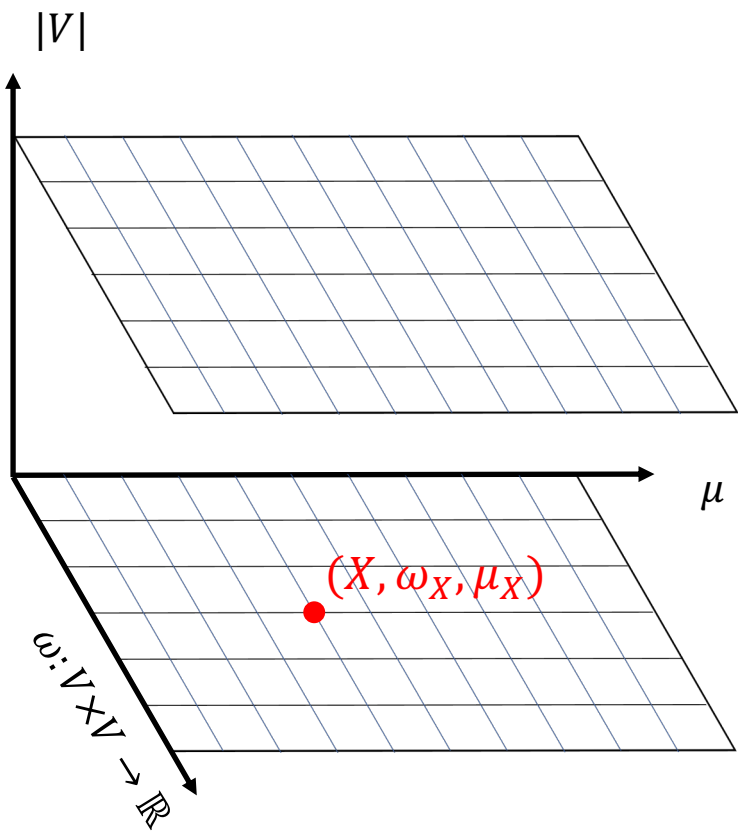
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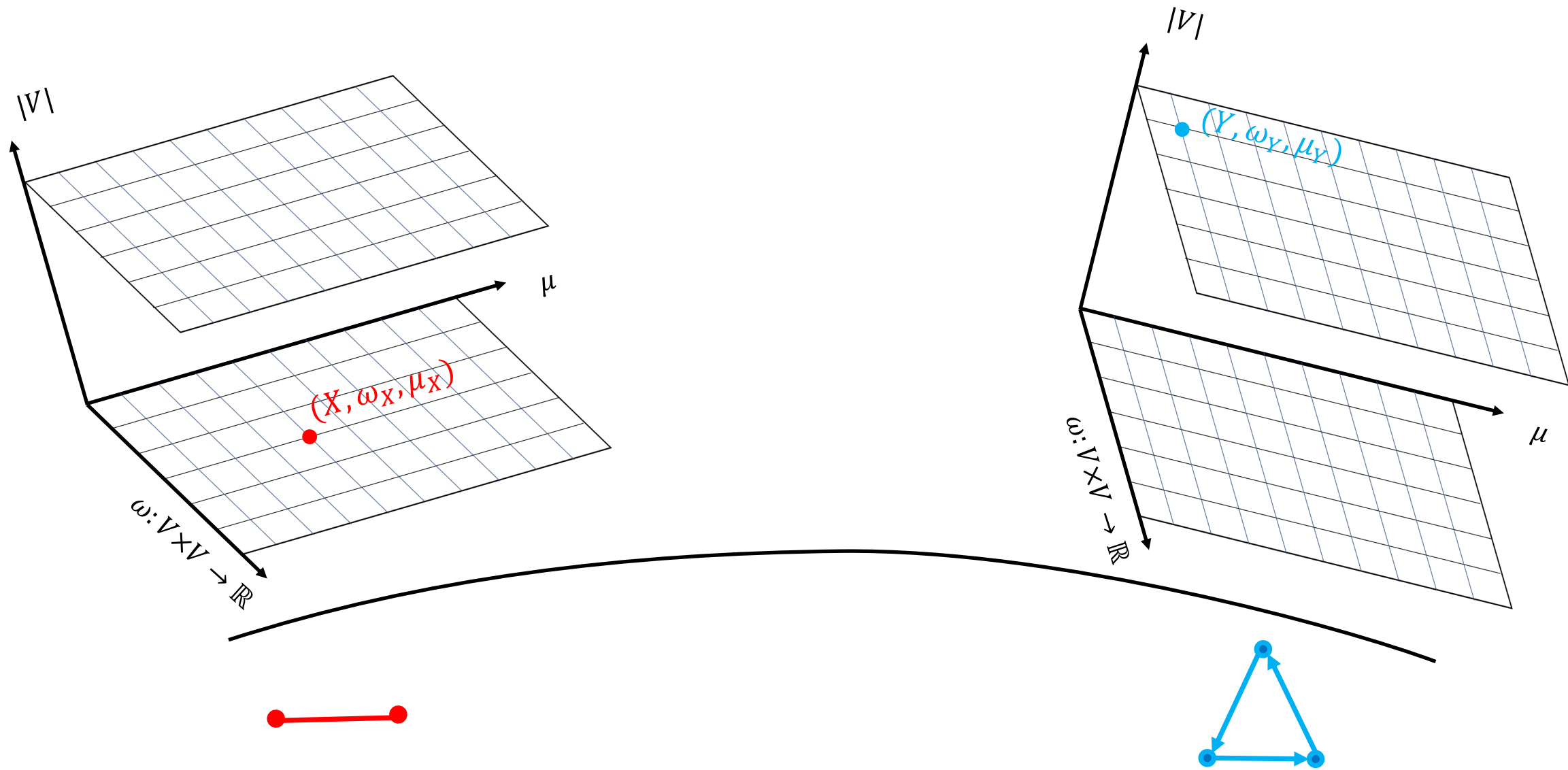
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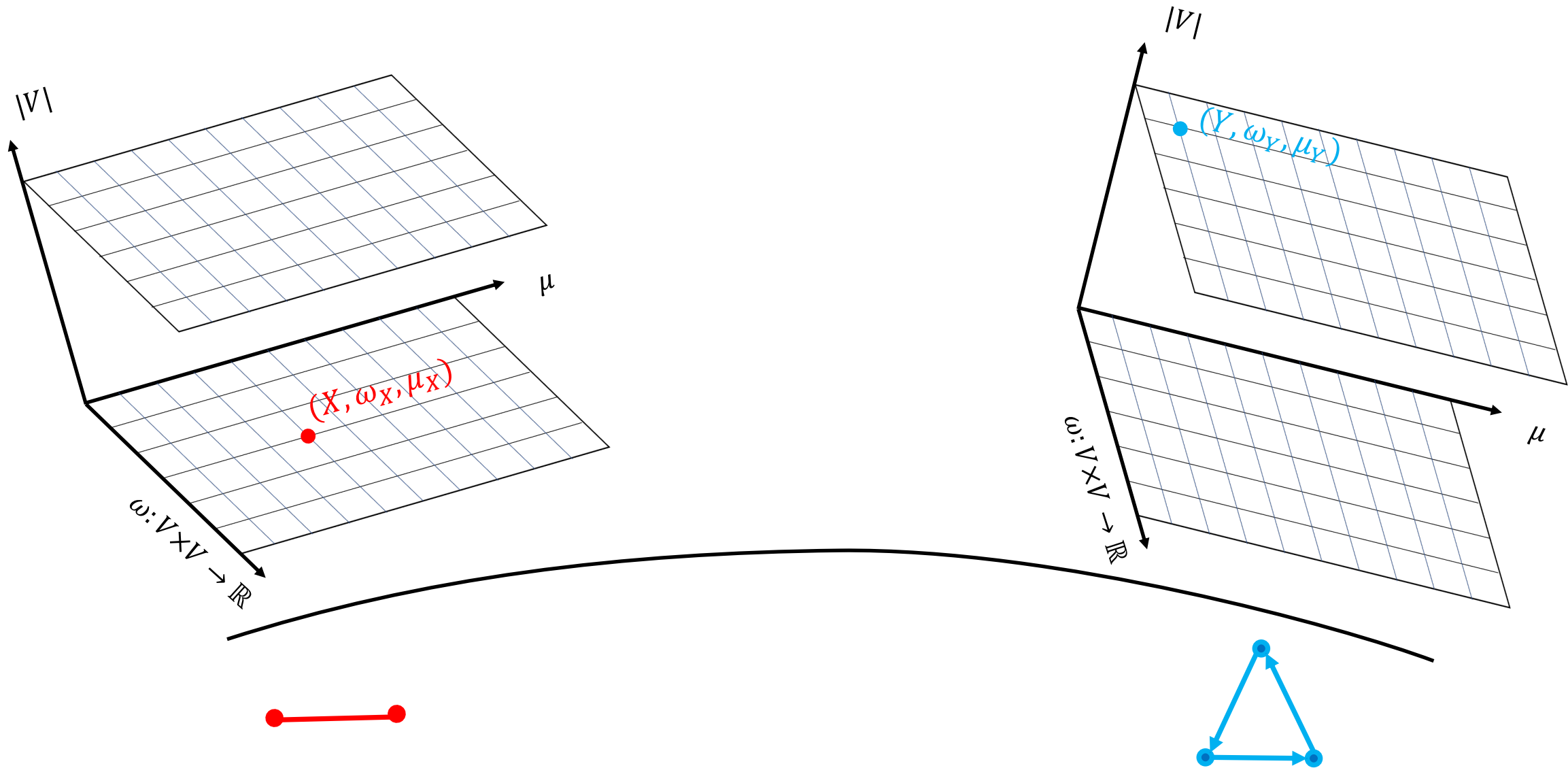
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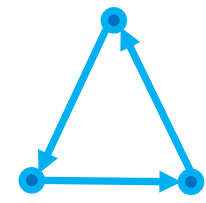
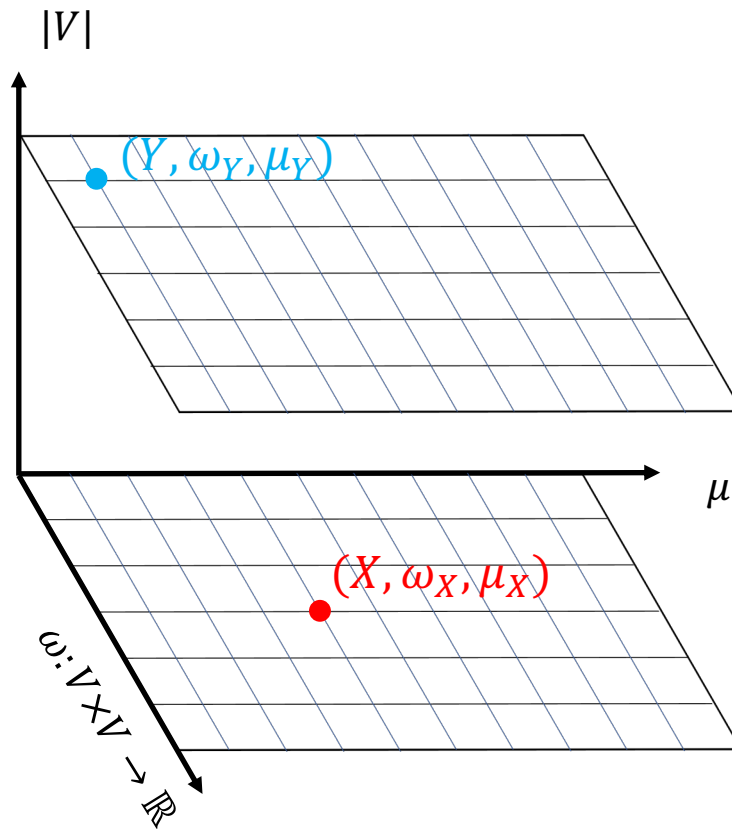
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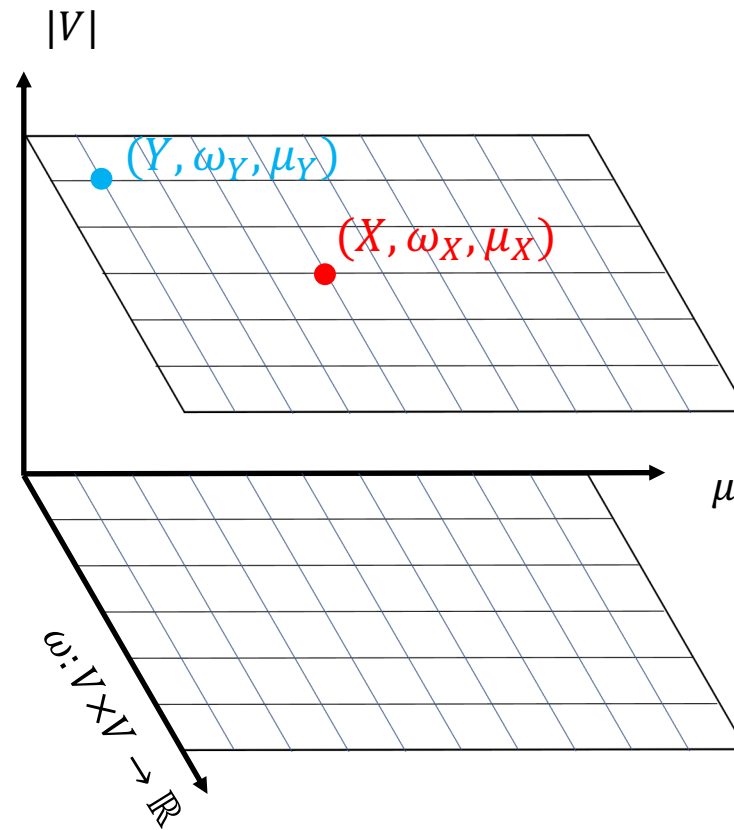
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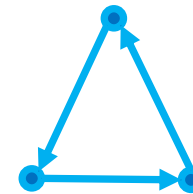
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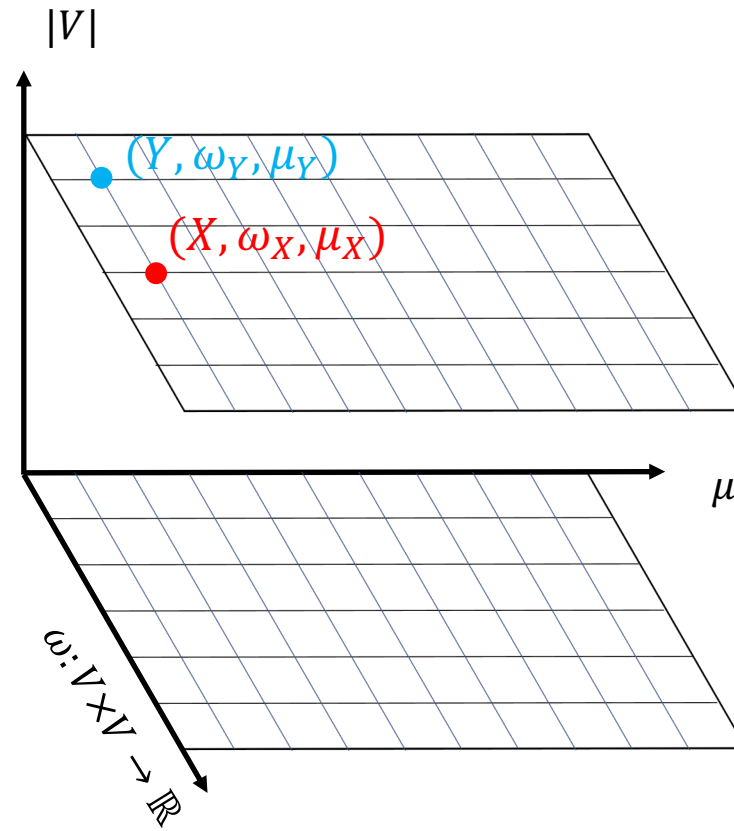
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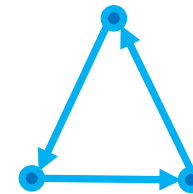
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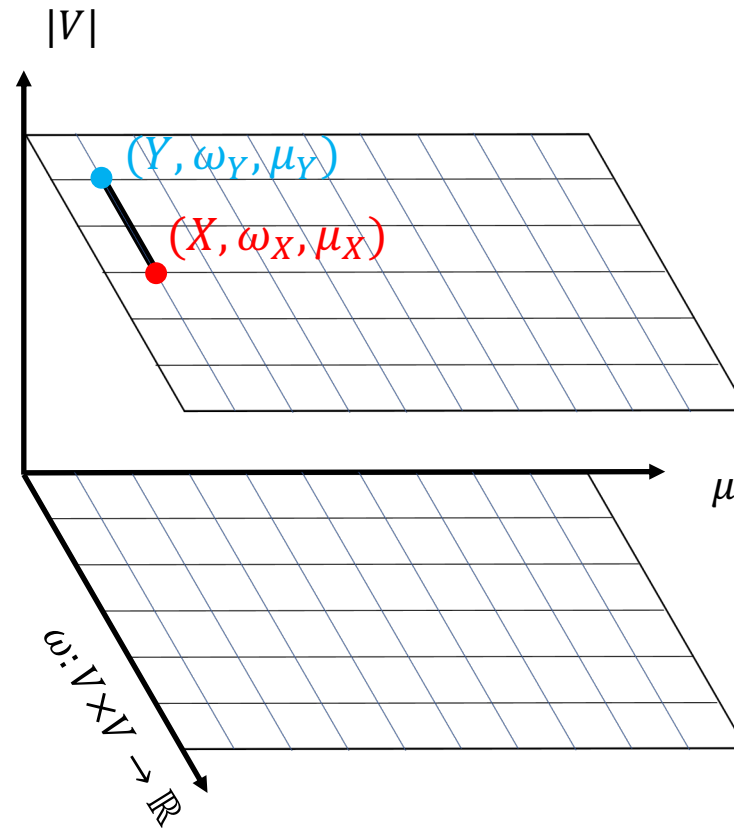
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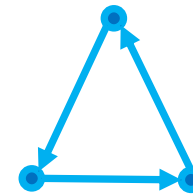
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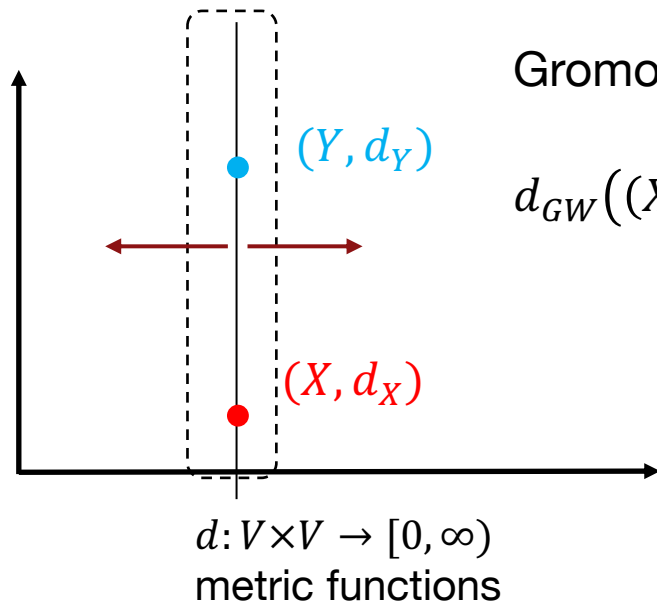
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(Sturm 2012) Space of metric measure spaces is not complete under d_{GW}

- completion is the space of “almost” metric measure spaces that satisfy triangle inequality a.e.
- Riemannian structures (including exponential maps) in ambient L^2 space where triangle inequality is removed altogether
- Ambient L^2 space is nonnegatively curved

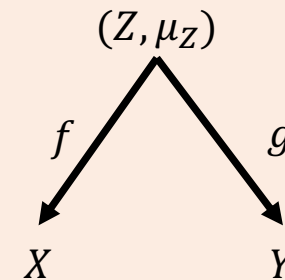
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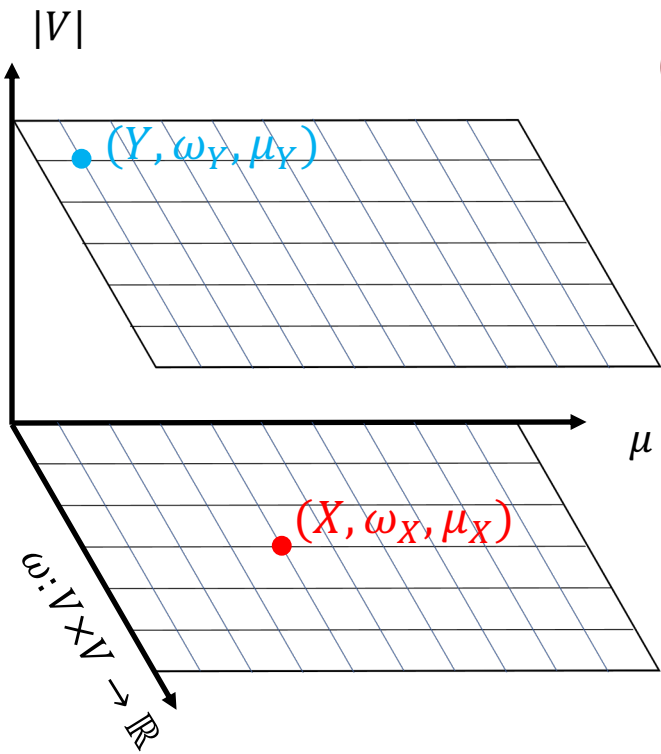
Isomorphism structure:

$d_{GW}(X, Y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X, Y$ isometric
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- f, g bijective, Borel mble
- $\|f^*d_X - g^*d_Y\|_\infty = 0$
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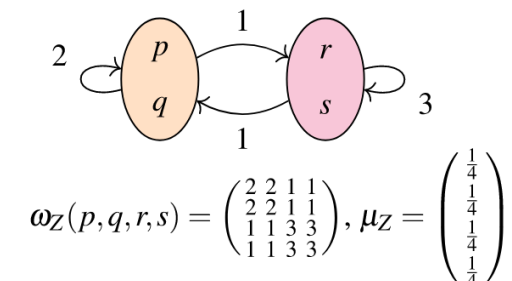
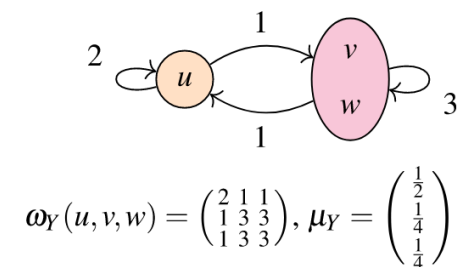
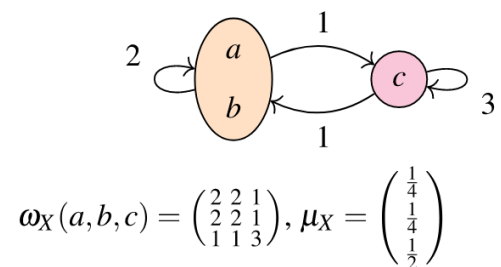
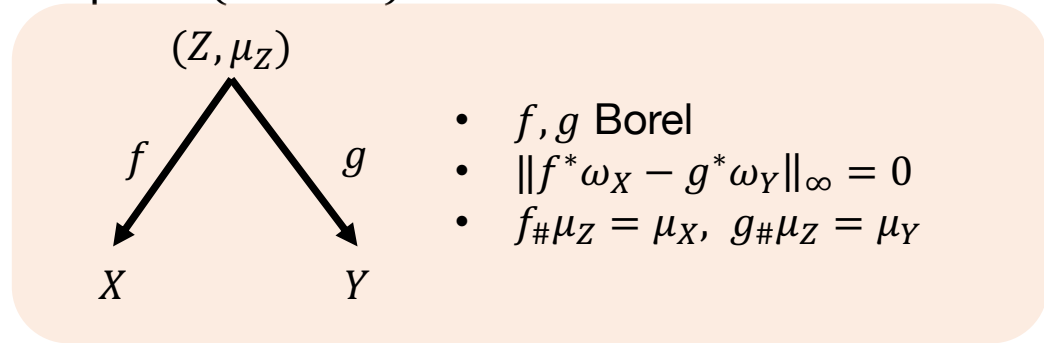
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“Weak” isomorphism structure:

$d_{\mathcal{N}}(X, Y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X, Y$ related by a “tripod” ($X \cong^w Y$)

- Any choice of ω gives a metric modulo this isomorphism structure



GW as a nonconvex quadratic optimization problem

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After unrolling into $(nm \times 1)$ -dimensional vectors, the problem reads:

$$\text{minimize} \quad \langle C, JC \rangle$$

subject to coupling and nonnegativity constraints

Gradient of map $C \mapsto \langle C, JC \rangle$ (after reshaping into matrix form):

$$(J + J^T)C$$

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After unrolling into $(nm \times 1)$ -dimensional vectors, the problem reads:

$$\text{minimize} \quad \langle C, JC \rangle$$

subject to coupling and nonnegativity constraints

Gradient of map $C \mapsto \langle C, JC \rangle$ (after reshaping into matrix form):

$$(J + J^T)C$$

Regularization techniques speed up computations at the expense of losing sparse couplings:

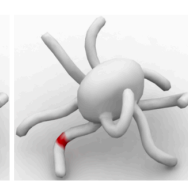
Solomon, Peyré, Kim, Sra SIGGRAPH 2016



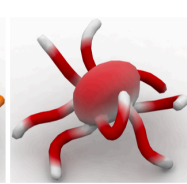
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Sparse coupling



Non-sparse coupling



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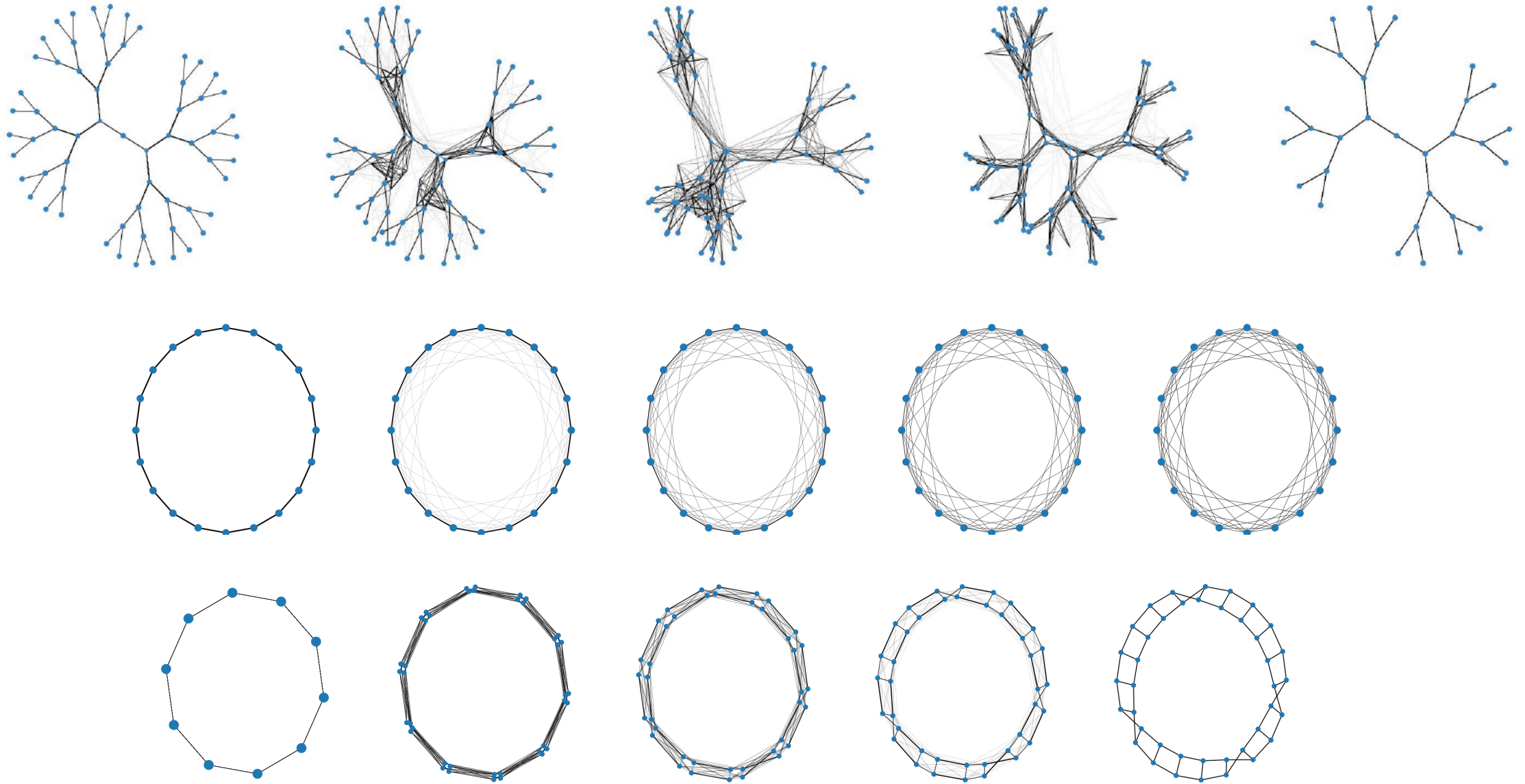
Weak isomorphism structure $\Rightarrow \quad \Omega_0 \cong^w X, \quad \Omega_1 \cong^w Y$

- $v := \Omega_1 - \Omega_0$
- To go from X to Y “via vector addition”, take: $\Omega_0 + v = \Omega_1$
- Exponential map: vector addition modulo isomorphism

Formal definitions of tangent cones and exponential map in [Sturm 2012]

- Also [C., Needham 2020] for related details

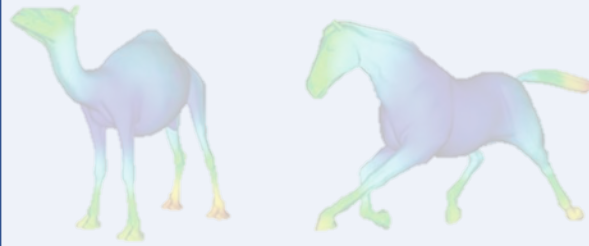
Visualizations of GW geodesics



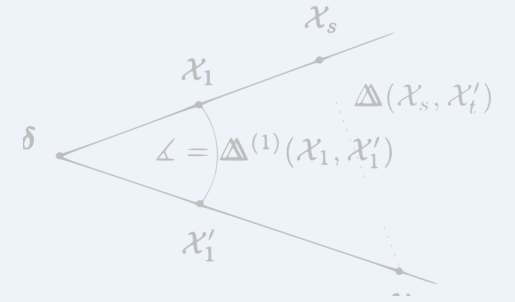
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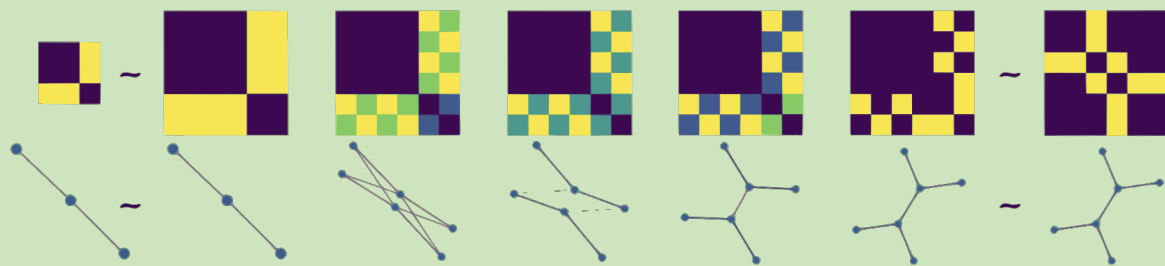


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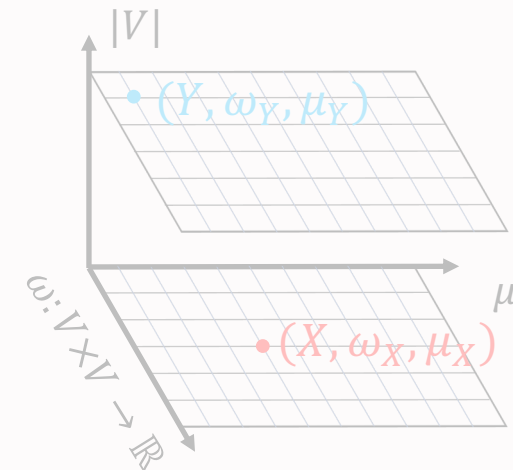


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3. Statistical learning in the Riemannian framework

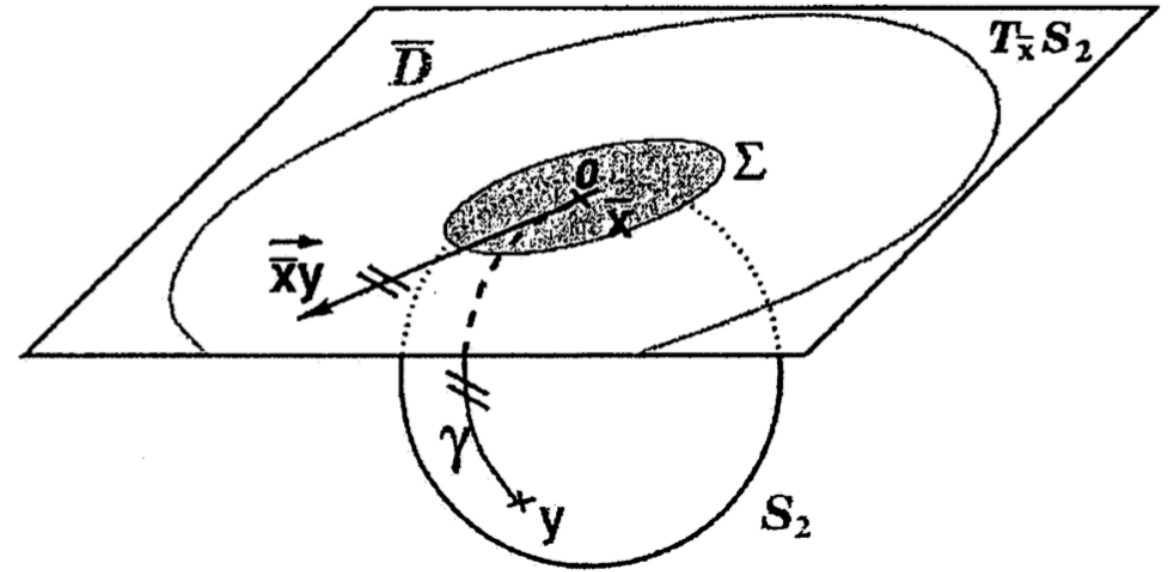


4. Future directions



Pennec (2006): Start with a “seed” point x on a manifold and points $y_1, y_2 \dots y_n$

- Use log maps to lift geodesics $x \rightarrow y_i$ to vectors in T_x
- Average in T_x
- Exp down to manifold, iterate
- Each iterate is a gradient descent step for the **Fréchet functional**

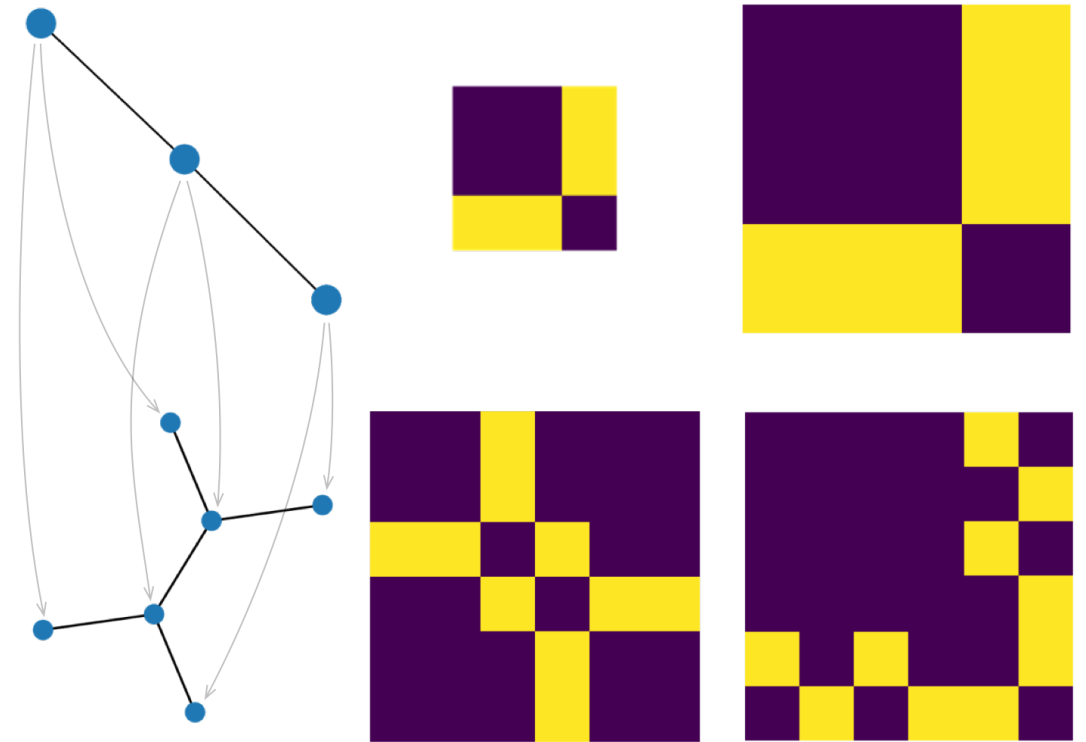


$\{(X_i, \omega_i, \mu_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ a collection of finite measure networks. Given (X_0, ω_0, μ_0) , define the Fréchet functional:

$$F(X_0) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_{\mathcal{N}}(X_0, X_i)^2$$

- Theorem (C., Needham 2019): The Fréchet functional on \mathcal{N} is differentiable, and its gradient descent steps are given by the log-average-exp iterative scheme

- Product geodesics incur exponential cost for any iterative method
- Instead, use sparsity of optimal couplings to only blow-up points as needed
 - Poses challenge for entropic regularization
 - Gradient descent to get local optima of GW cost
- This yields **sparse geodesics** and computationally tractable exp maps



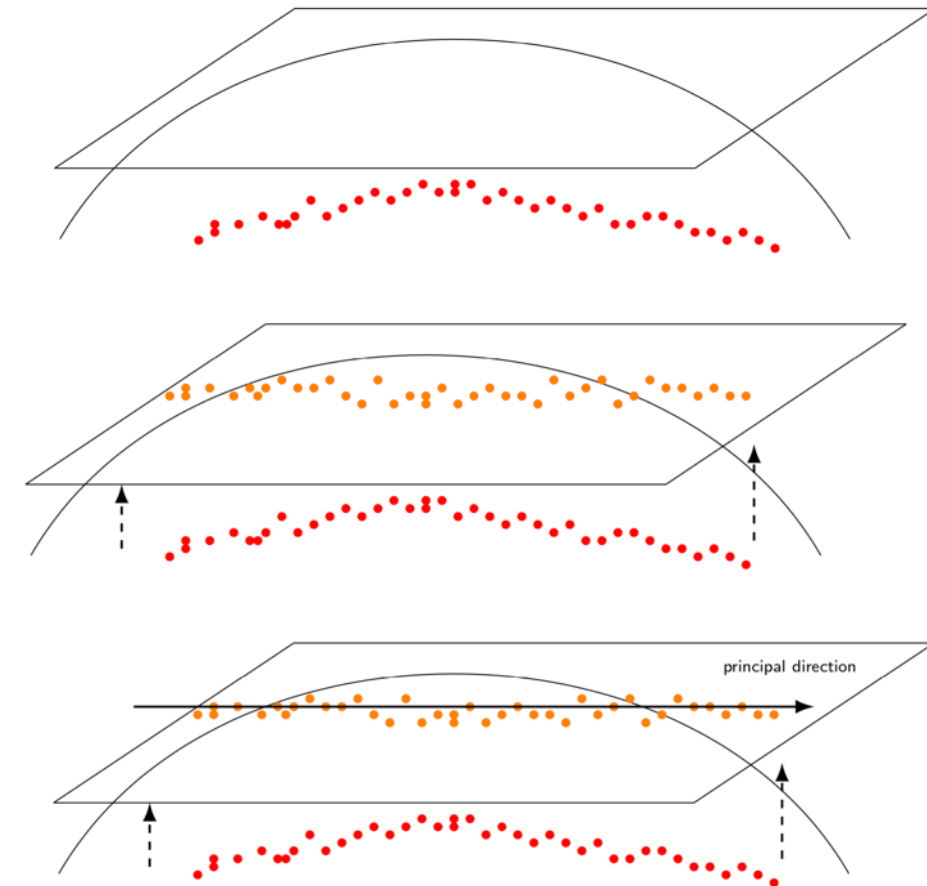
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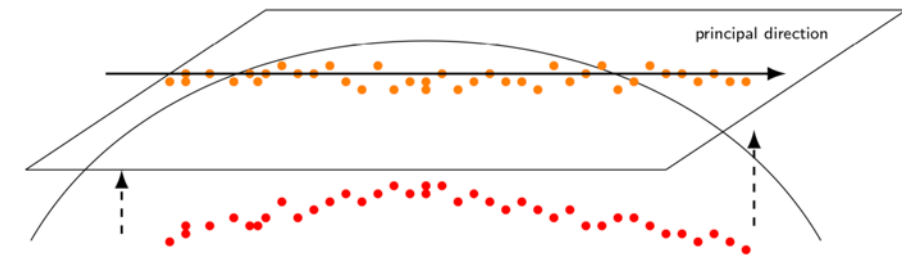
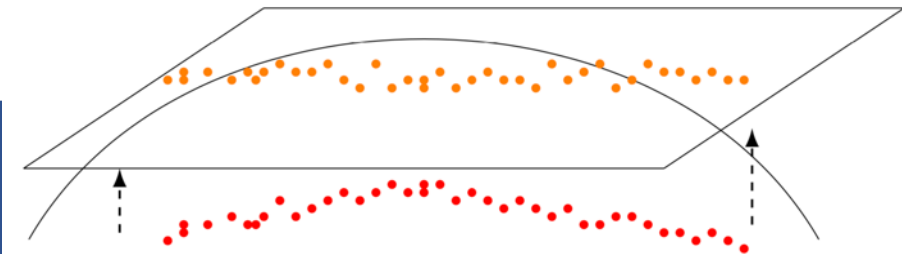
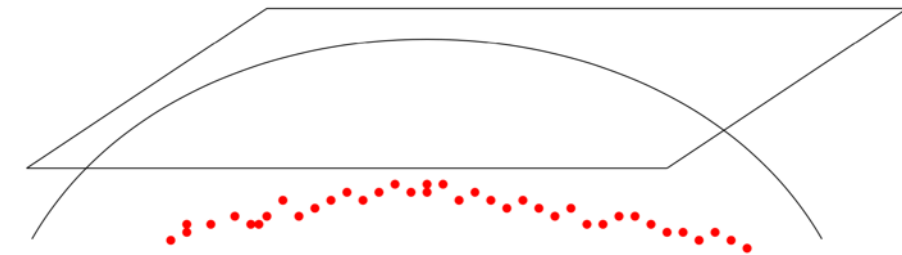
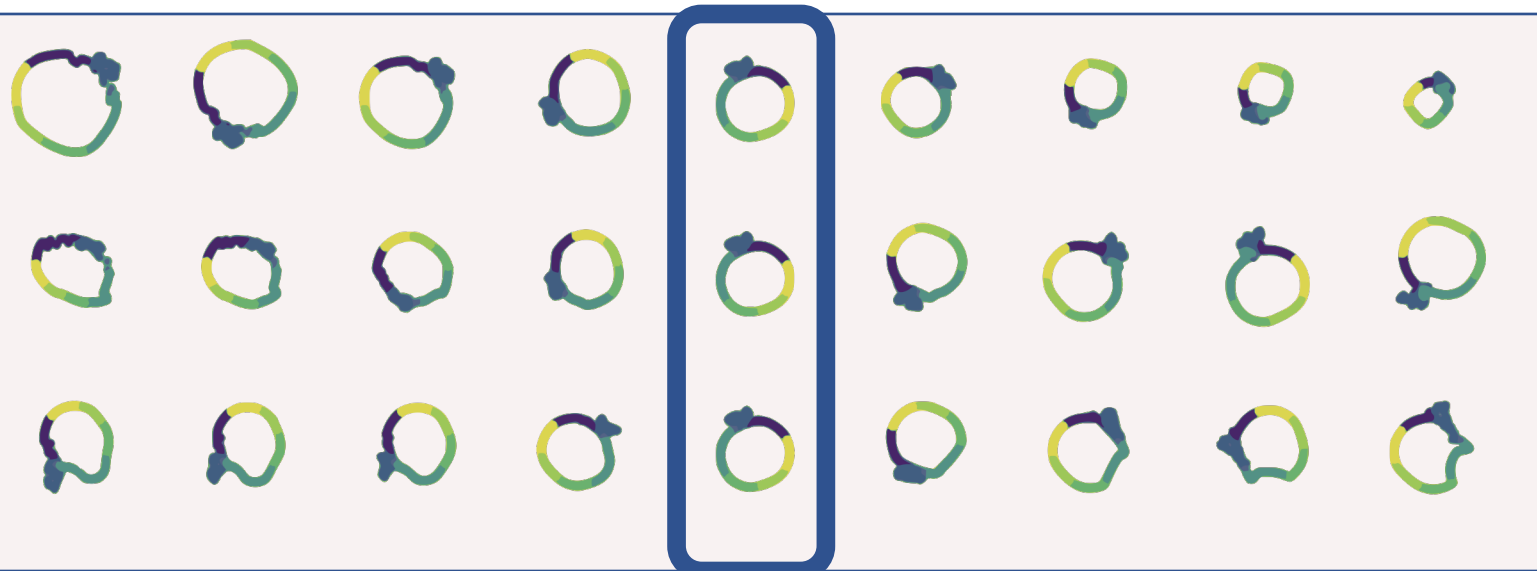


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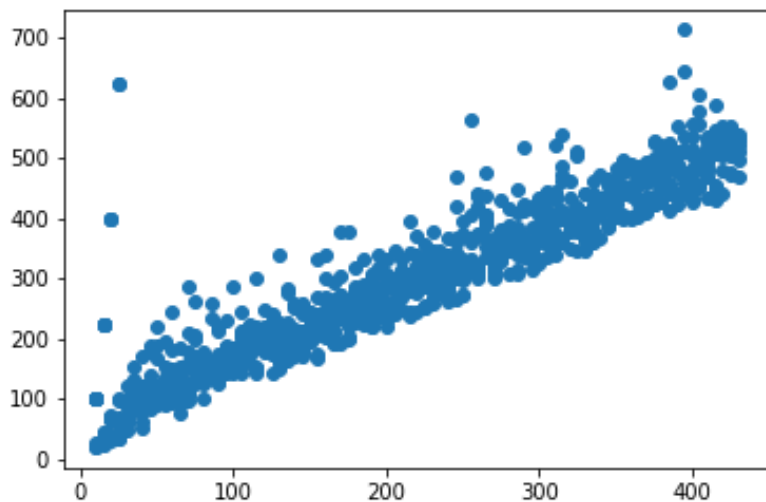


First three principal directions

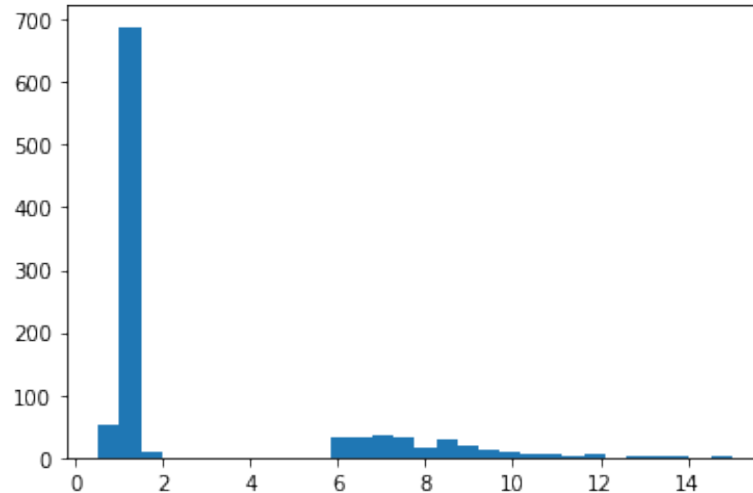


When can things go wrong?

- If optimal couplings are dense, then iterative exp map computations become impractical
- Necessary to identify classes of ω for which optimal couplings remain sparse
- For graphs with adjacency loss and geodesic distance loss, we empirically observe sparsity

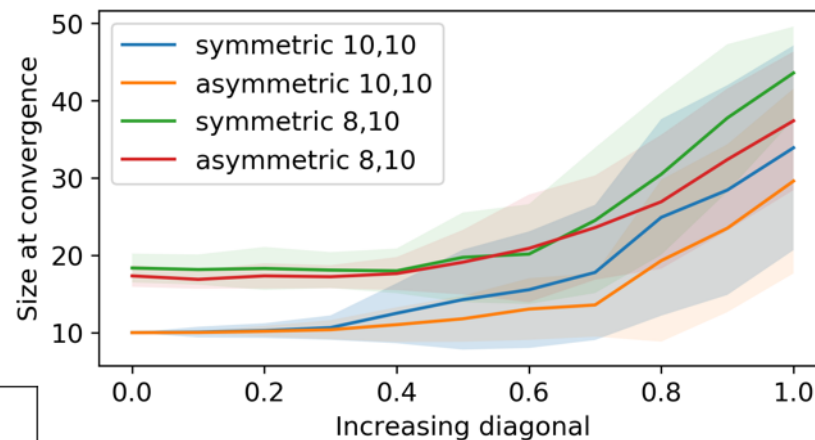


For random measure networks with adjacency loss, couplings remain sparse and grow linearly with size of network



IMDB network, geodesic distance loss:
Histogram shows support size of optimal coupling divided by total size of networks being compared

Completely random matrices with random diagonal entries show excessive blow-ups



Using the “any $\omega: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ gives a (pseudo)metric” approach, consider the following:

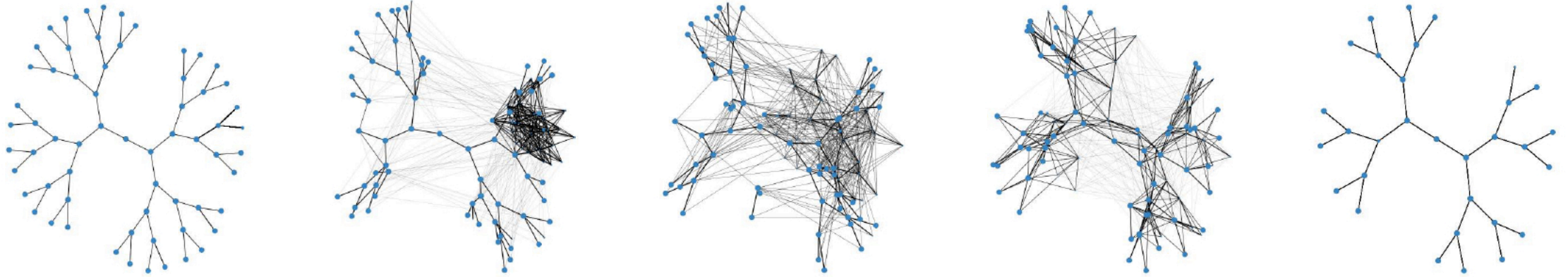
- G, H two graphs, $t > 0$
- $K^{G,t}, K^{H,t}$ heat kernels (exponentials of graph Laplacians)
- Form the GW loss using $\|K^{G,t} - K^{H,t}\|_{L^p(\mu \otimes \mu)}$
 - Simplified discrete analogue of the Spectral Gromov-Wasserstein distance introduced in [Mémoli 2011]: we don’t need to worry about blowups of the heat kernel, and we do not optimize over t
 - [Mémoli 2011] related to earlier work of Reuter et al 2006 (“Shape-DNA”), Kasue-Kumura (1994)

Theorem (C., Needham 2020): For spectral loss, number of nonzero entries in optimal coupling is $o(n)$.
[GW problem becomes maximization of convex function, use KKT conditions + dimension counting]

- Consequence: No blowups in iterative log-exp maps

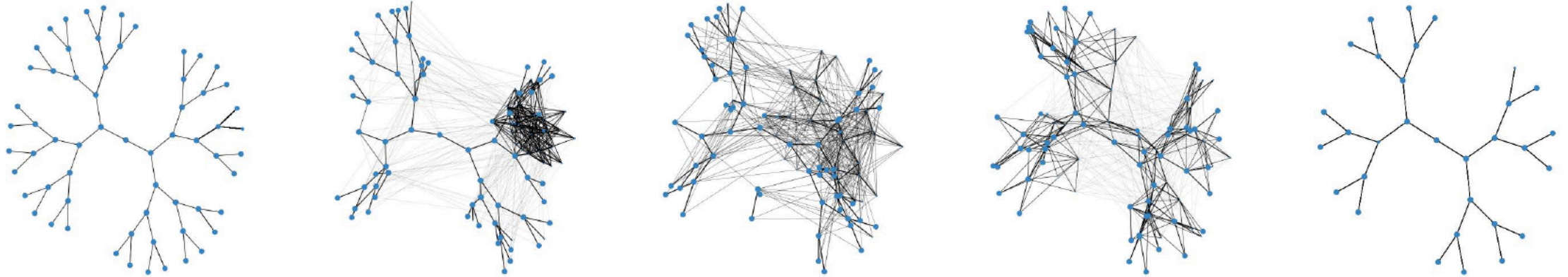
Observation: Running MCMC to sample different initial couplings for gradient descent suggests that the loss landscape for spectral loss is much nicer than for adjacency loss

Adjacency loss

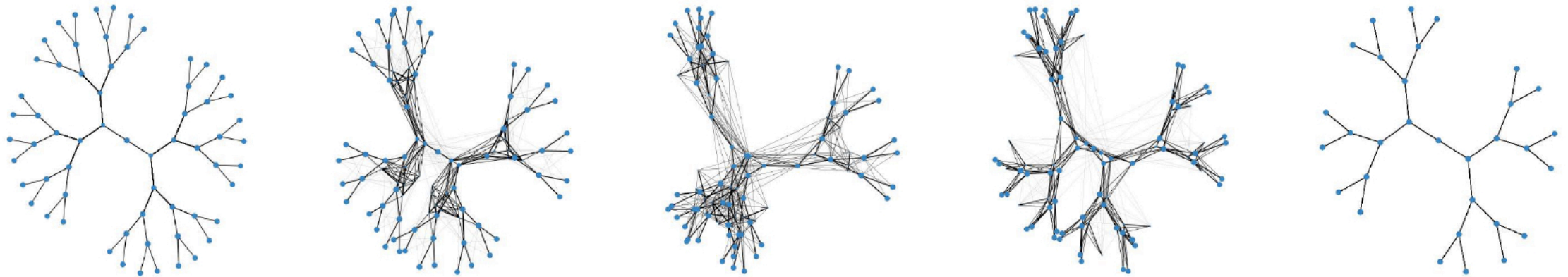


Geodesics via adjacency loss and spectral loss

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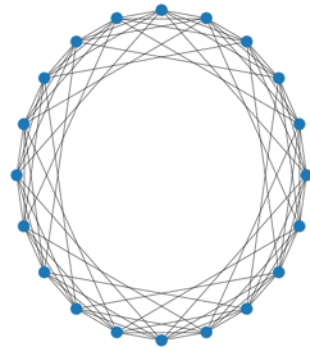
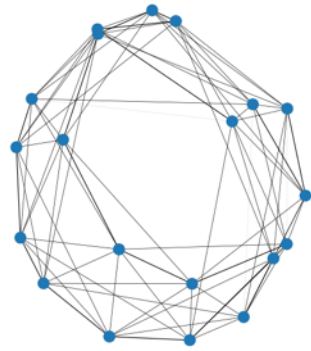
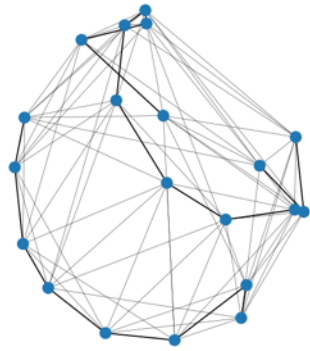
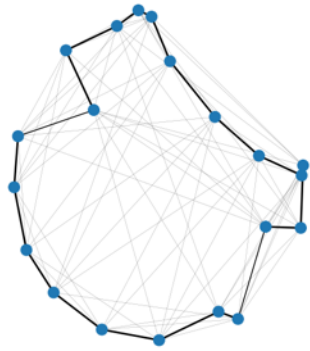
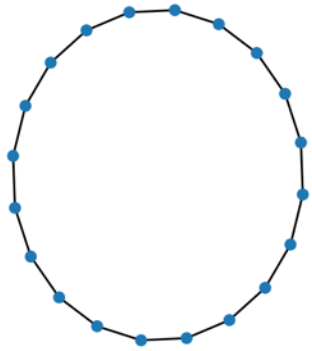


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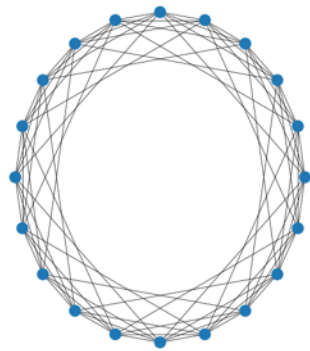
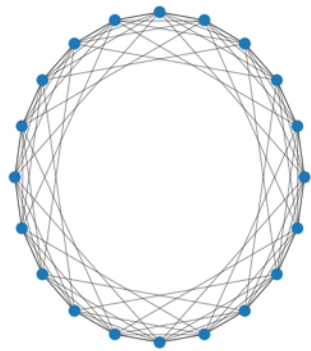
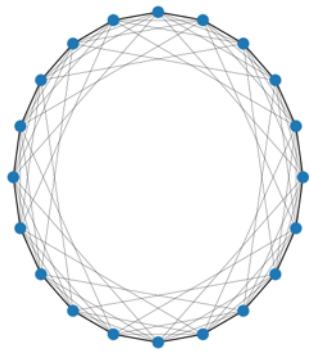
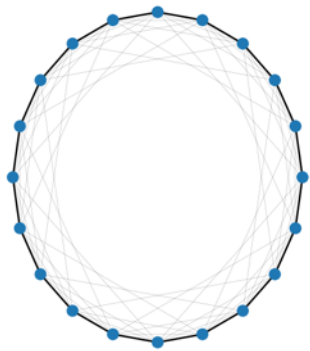
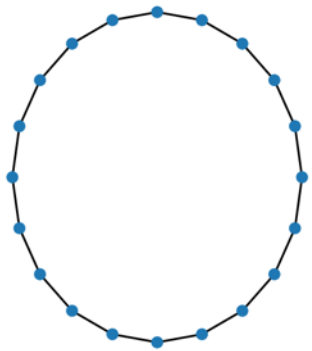


Geodesics via spectral loss for different choices of t

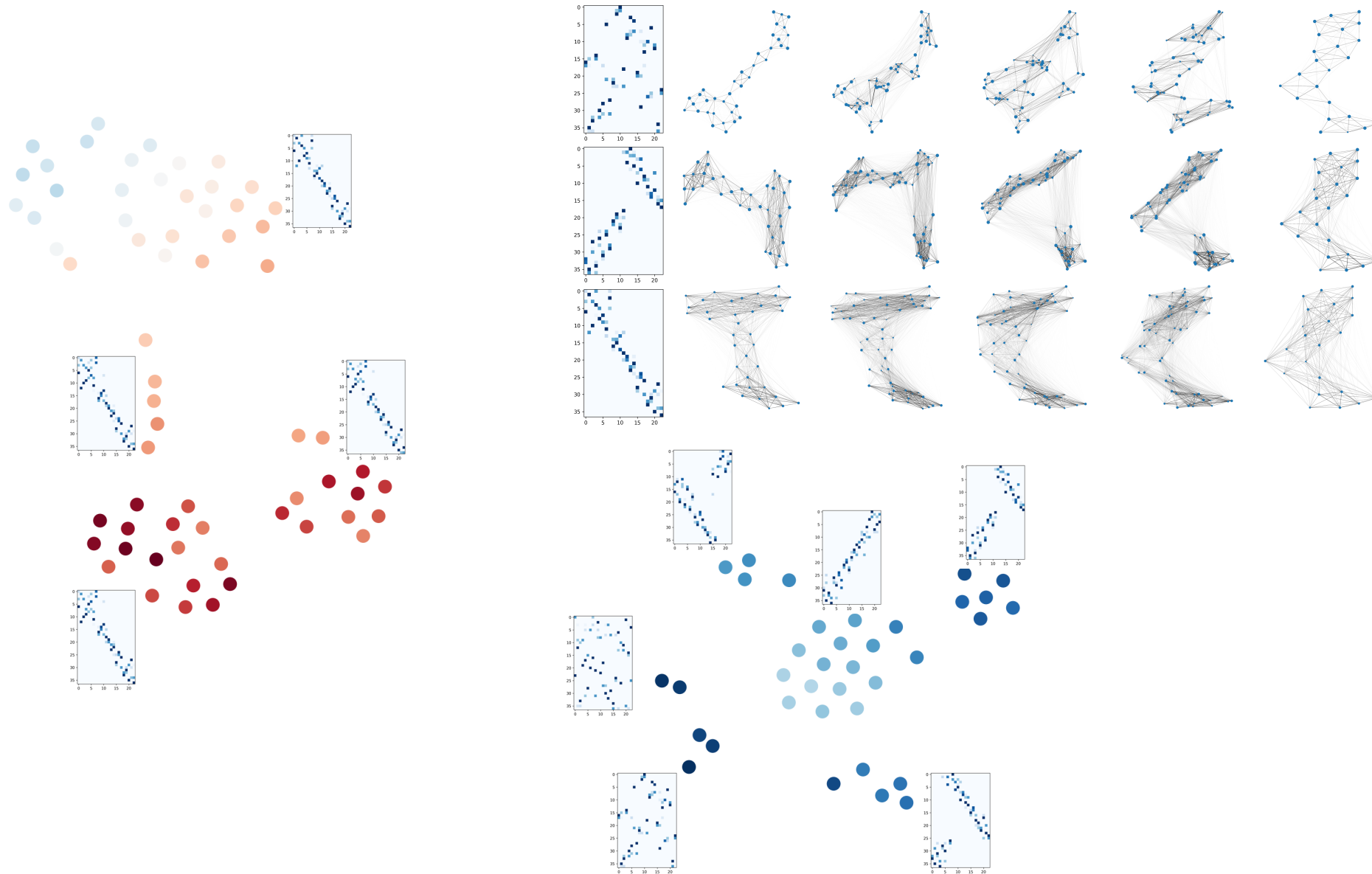
Spectral loss, $t = 2$



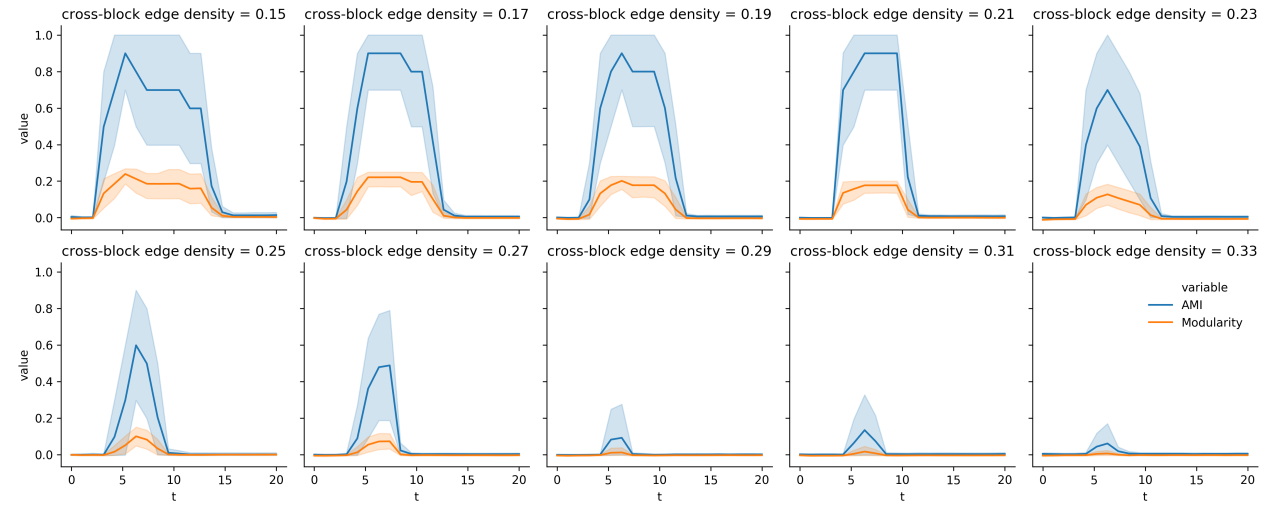
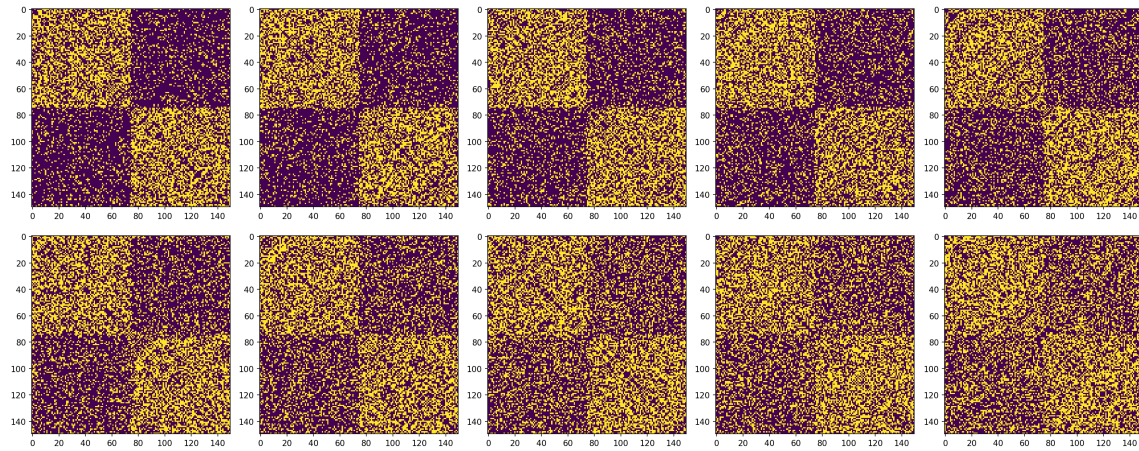
Spectral loss, $t = 10$



Clusters of scale parameters t possibly capture multiscale features



Heuristic for choosing the scale parameter t in graph partitioning



Graph partitioning results for real data

- [Xu et al 2019] produced a GW-based graph partitioning procedure using adjacency matrix representations and showed superior performance compared to various benchmarks
- Spectral loss provides improved scores and ~10x speedup in the “small” graph regime (~2000 nodes)
- Caveat: $O(n^3)$ cost of eigendecomposition, lack of sparsity is a bottleneck for spectral loss in the large graph regime

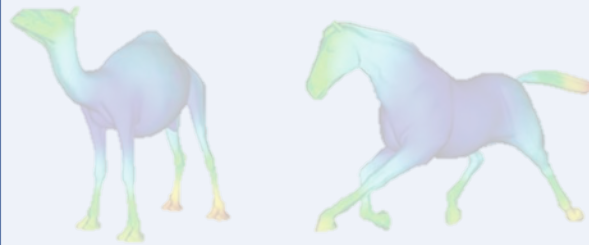
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Wikipedia	sym, raw	—	0.382	0.377	0.332	0.312	0.442*
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	asym, raw	—	—	—	0.332	0.178	0.376
	asym, noisy	—	—	—	0.329	0.170	0.307
EU-email	sym, raw	—	0.312	0.447	0.374	0.451	0.487
	sym, noisy	—	0.251	0.382	0.379	0.404	0.425
	asym, raw	—	—	—	0.443	0.420	0.437
	asym, noisy	—	—	—	0.356	0.422	0.377
Amazon	raw	—	0.637	0.622	0.940	0.443*	0.692
	noisy	0.347	0.573	0.584	0.463	0.352	0.441
Village	raw	—	0.881	0.881	0.881	0.606*	0.801*
	noisy	—	0.778	0.827	0.190	0.560	0.758

*GWL is the best method in the small graph regime (~2000 nodes)

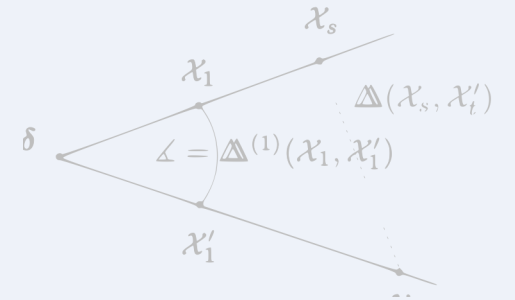
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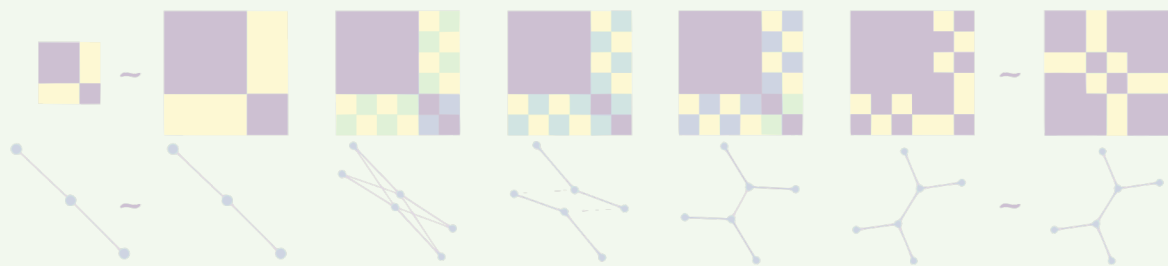


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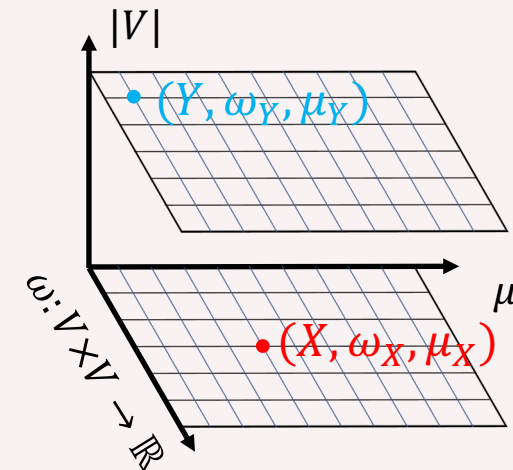


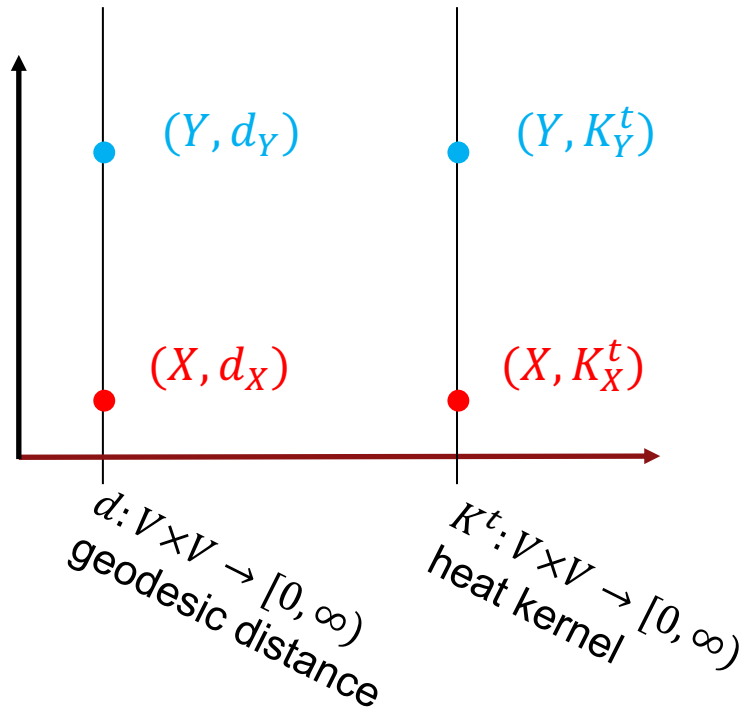
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Questions and connections:

- What are other useful classes of functions $V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$? Currently known benefits of each:
 - Adjacency: sparse representations [Xu et al 2019]
 - Heat kernel: more global structure, faster on the order of graphs with a few thousand nodes
 - Distance: established asymptotics [Weitkamp et al 2020]
- Extensions: more learning tasks, comparing data across modalities
 - Application: neurobiological insights across populations
- Many statistical questions remain for the GW framework

Thank you!