

# Properties of Discrete Sliced Wasserstein Losses

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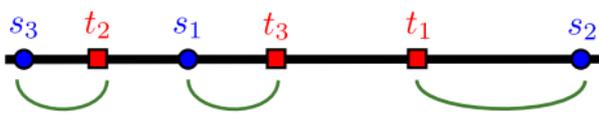


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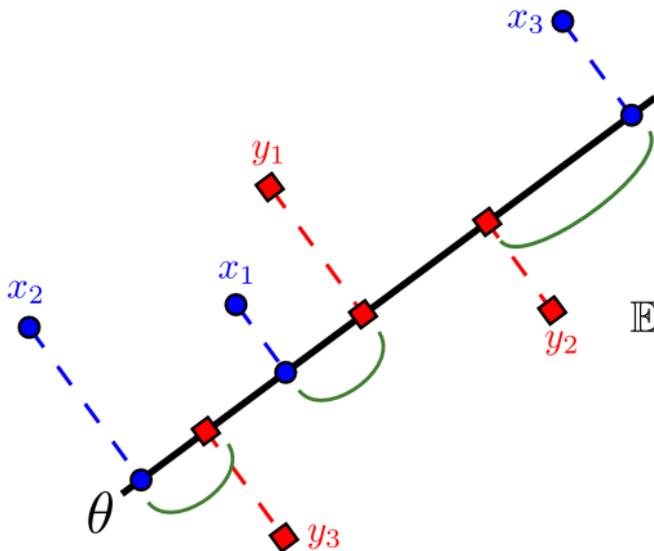
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A horizontal line representing the real line. On the left, there are three blue dots labeled  $s_3, s_1, s_2$  from left to right. On the right, there are three red squares labeled  $t_2, t_3, t_1$  from left to right. Green curved lines connect  $s_3$  to  $t_2$ ,  $s_1$  to  $t_3$ , and  $s_2$  to  $t_1$ .

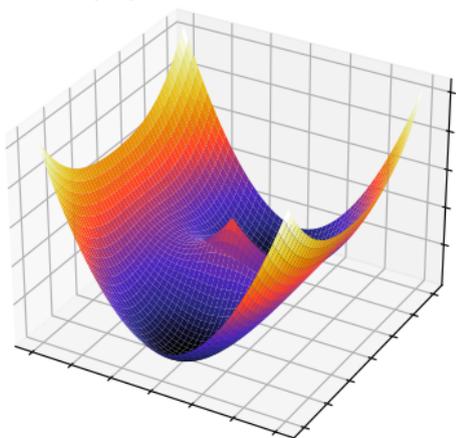
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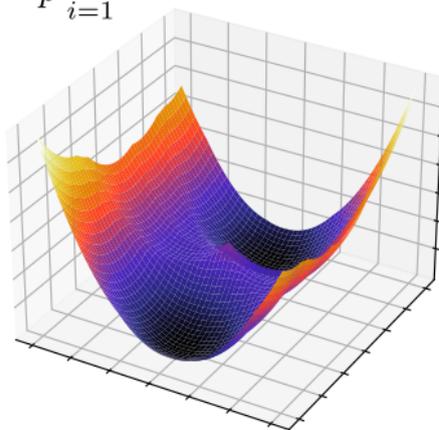
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# Monte-Carlo Approximation

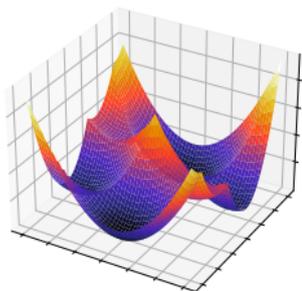
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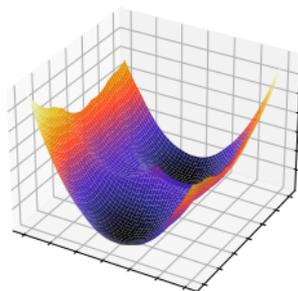
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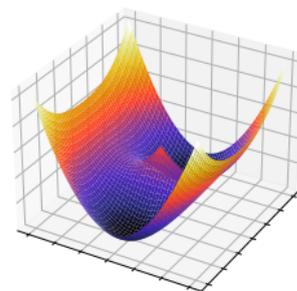
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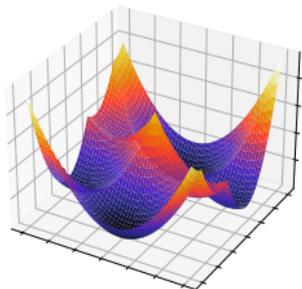


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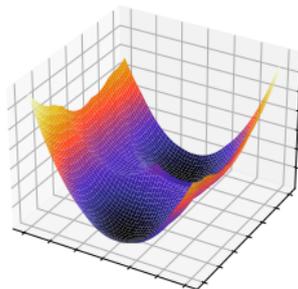


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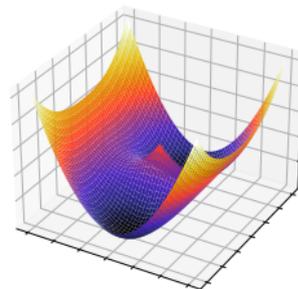
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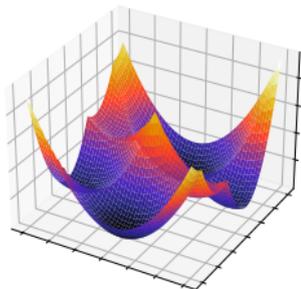
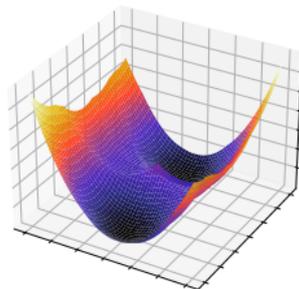
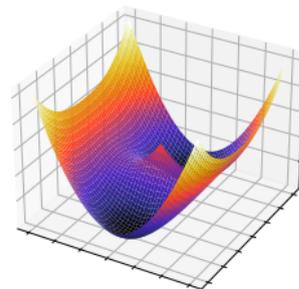


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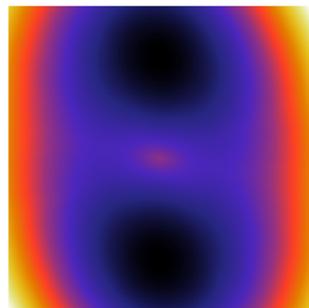
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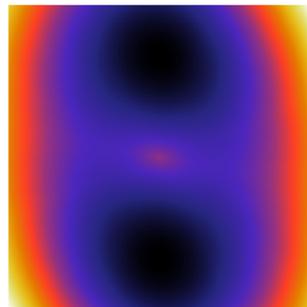
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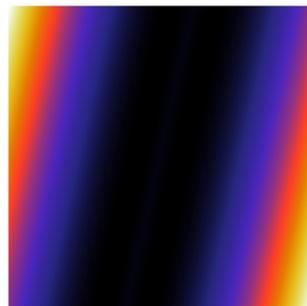
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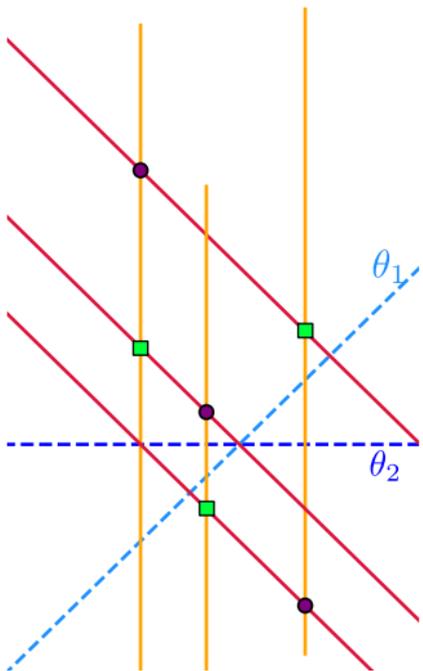
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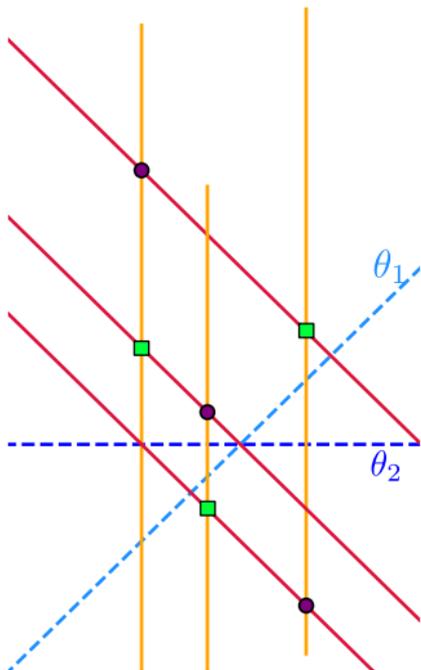


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For  $P_i : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d_i}$ ,

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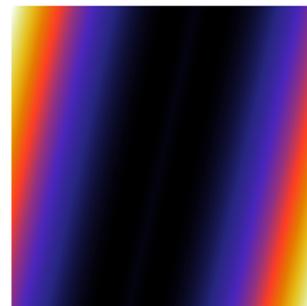
a.s. Reconstruction [4]

If  $\sum_i d_i > d$ , for  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$   
fixed,  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{RP}} = \{\gamma_Y\}$ ,  
almost-surely, for random  
( $P_i$ ).

Consequences of the Reconstruction Problem on  $\mathcal{E}_p$ 

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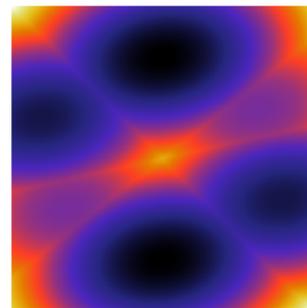
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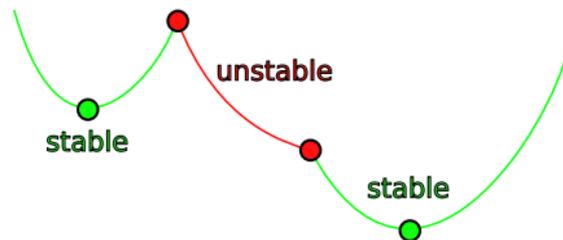
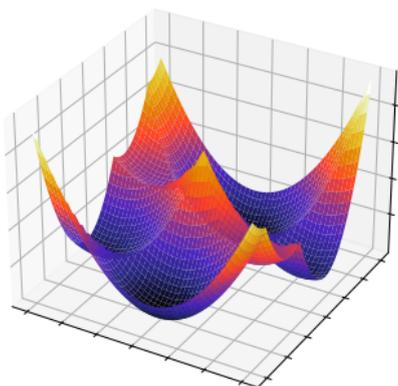
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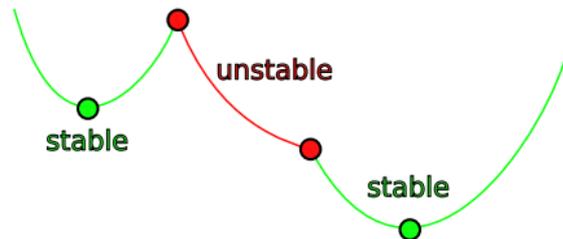
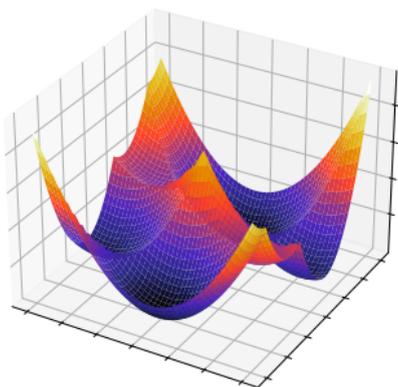
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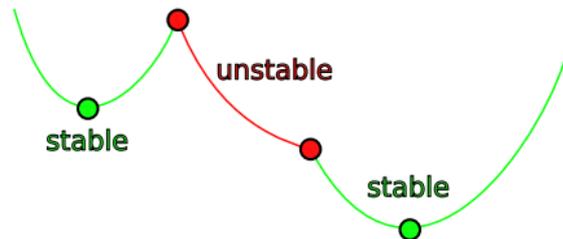
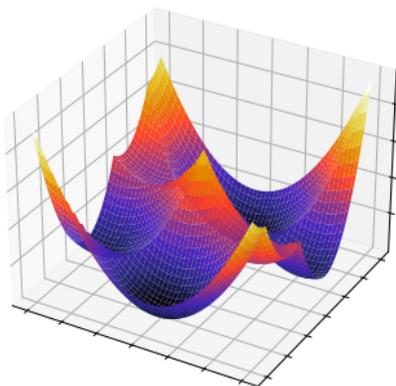


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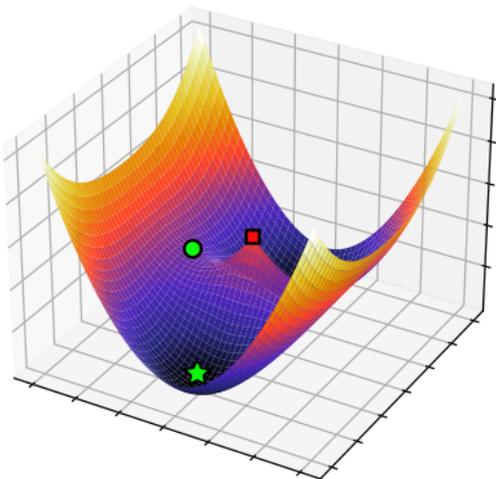
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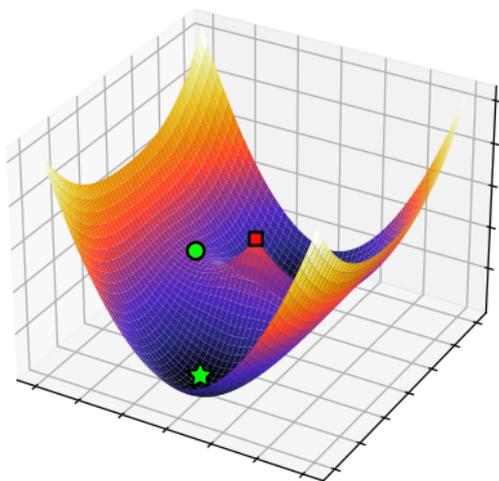
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Consequence with  $C_{k,l} := \|x_k - y_l\|_2^2$  and  $X, X' \in \mathcal{K}$ :

$$|W_2^2(\gamma_X, \gamma_Y) - W_2^2(\gamma_{X'}, \gamma_Y)| \leq c_{\mathcal{K}, Y} \max_k \|x_k - x'_k\|_2.$$

## Convergence of Interpolated Trajectories

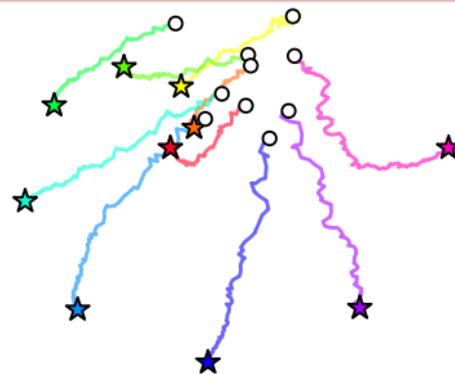
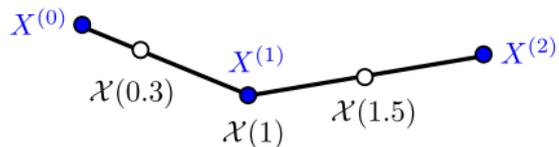
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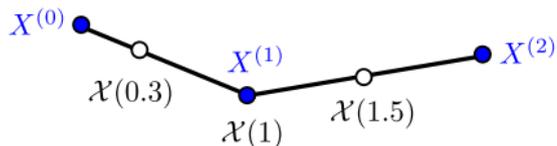
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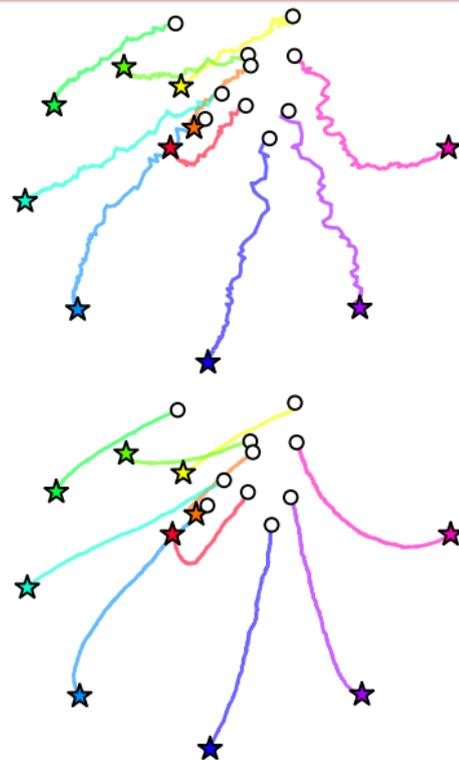


## Interpolations Converge [5]

$$d(\mathcal{X}_\alpha, \mathcal{S}) \xrightarrow[\alpha \rightarrow 0]{\mathbb{P}} 0.$$

$$\text{With } \mathcal{S} = \left\{ \mathcal{X} \mid \frac{d\mathcal{X}}{dt}(t) \in -\partial_C \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{X}(t)) \right\}.$$

Using results from Bianchi et al. [1]



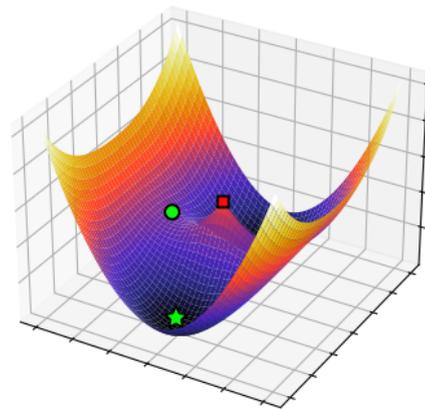
# Convergence of Noised Trajectories

$$\text{Noised SGD: } X^{(k+1)} = X^{(k)} - \alpha \nabla w_{\theta^{(k+1)}}(X^{(k)}) + \alpha \varepsilon^{(k+1)}.$$

## Convergence of Noised SGD [5]

$$\overline{\lim}_{k \rightarrow +\infty} d(X_{\alpha}^{(k)}, \mathcal{Z}) \xrightarrow[\alpha \rightarrow 0]{\mathbb{P}} 0.$$

With  $\mathcal{Z} = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d} \mid 0 \in -\partial_C \mathcal{E}(X)\}$ .



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# Convergence of Decreasing-Step Noised Trajectories

$$X^{(k+1)} = X^{(k)} - \alpha^{(k)} \nabla w_{\theta^{(k+1)}}(X^{(k)}) + \alpha \varepsilon^{(k+1)}.$$

Steps  $\alpha^{(k)} \geq 0$  with  $\sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \alpha^{(k)} = +\infty$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} (\alpha^{(k)})^2 < +\infty$ .

## Convergence of Decreasing-Step Noised SGD [5]

If  $(X^{(k)})$  is a.s. bounded, then a.s.:

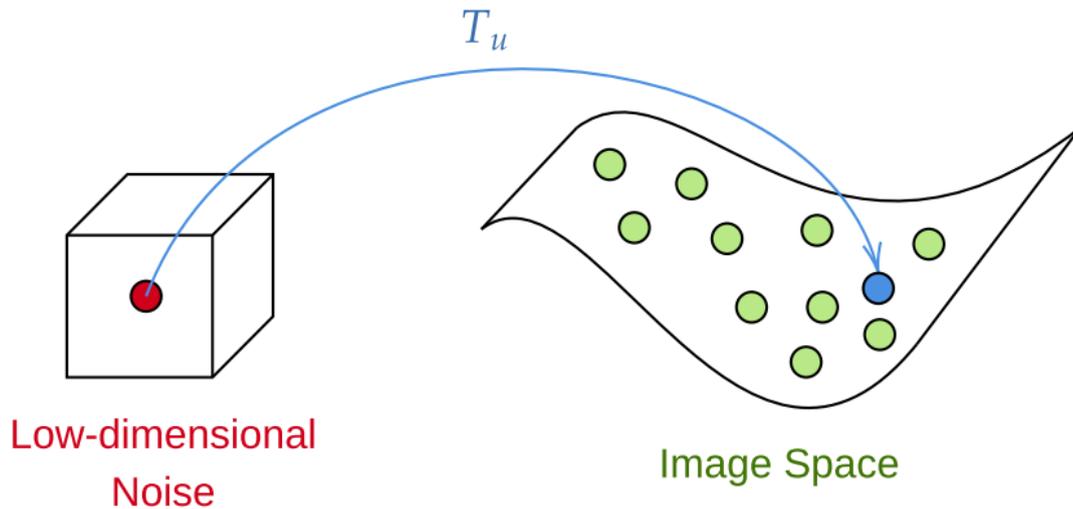
- $(\mathcal{E}(X^{(k)}))_k$  converges.
- If  $X^{(\varphi(k))} \xrightarrow[k \rightarrow +\infty]{} X^\infty$ , then  $X^\infty \in \mathcal{Z}$ .

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Using results from Davis et al. [2]

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# Generative Modelling



## Problem Statement

**Goal:** approximate  $T_u \# \mathcal{X} \approx y$ .

**Loss sample:**

$$f(u, X, Y, \theta) = W_2^2(\theta \# T_u \# \gamma_X, \theta \# \gamma_Y), \quad X \sim \mathcal{X}^{\otimes n}, Y \sim \mathcal{Y}^{\otimes n}, \theta \sim \sigma.$$

**Population loss:**

$$F(u) = \mathbb{E}_{X, Y, \theta} \left[ W_2^2(\theta \# T_u \# \gamma_X, \theta \# \gamma_Y) \right] = \mathbb{E}_{X, Y} \left[ SW_2^2(T_u \# \gamma_X, \gamma_Y) \right].$$

### Convergence Results [3]

Under technical assumptions:

- Approximation of (Clarke) gradient flows
- Convergence in the parameters  $u^{(t)}$  for a modified SGD scheme

Using results from Bianchi et al. [1]

*Thank You*

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