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 $(X_n)_{n \in \{1,...N\}}$, $(Y_n)_{n \in \{1,...,N\}}$ real-valued stochastic processes $\rightsquigarrow \mu, \nu$ probability measures on \mathbb{R}^N







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Metrises weak convergence: $\mu_n \rightharpoonup \mu$ iff $\mathcal{W}_2(\mu_n, \mu) \rightarrow 0$.

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E.g. Acciaio, Aldous, Backhoff-Veraguas, Bartl, Beiglböck, Bion-Nadal, Eder, Hellwig, Lassalle, Pammer, Pflug, Pichler, Posch, Talay, among others ...

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- generalisation of monotone rearrangement



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Theorem [Rüschendorf '85] [Posch '23+]

Under a monotonicity condition, the unique optimiser is the Knothe–Rosenblatt map $T^{\rm KR}$. This induces the adapted weak toology.



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- Mimicking martingales [Pammer, R. , Schachermayer '22]

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Theorem 1 [Backhoff-Veraguas, Källblad, R. '22]

Optimising over adapted maps T

 \Leftrightarrow

Optimising over correlations between W, \overline{W} .

Example

Product coupling — W, \overline{W} independent



Synchronous coupling

Choose the same driving Brownian motion $W = \overline{W}$.



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Theorem 3 [R., Szölgyenyi '23+]

Under very mild conditions, the synchronous coupling is optimal, and we have an efficient method to compute $\mathcal{AW}_p(\mu, \nu)$.

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Euler scheme

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