



Wasserstein Barycenter Transport for Acoustic Adaptation

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Context and Contribution

Context:

- Music Genre Recognition and Music-Speech Discrimination in light of different background noise (multiple domains).
- Multi-Source Domain Adaptation (MSDA).

Contribution:

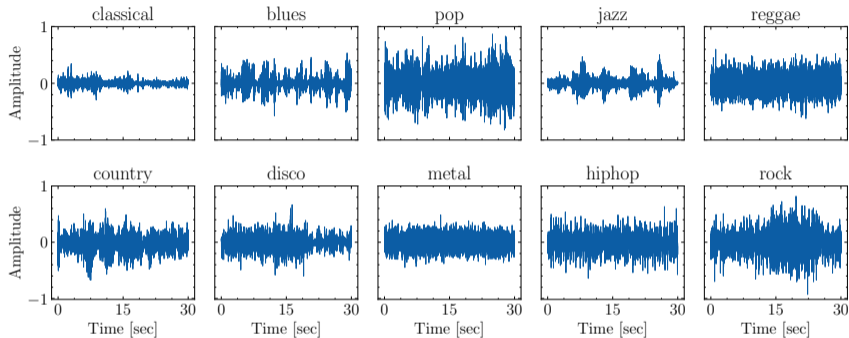
- MSDA algorithm using Optimal Transport with **state-of-the-art performance**, the **Wasserstein Barycenter Transport (WBT)**.

Our code is publicly available on Github¹.

¹<https://github.com/eddardd/WBTransport>

Music Genre Recognition

Given a music sample of 30 seconds, **to which music genre it belongs?**

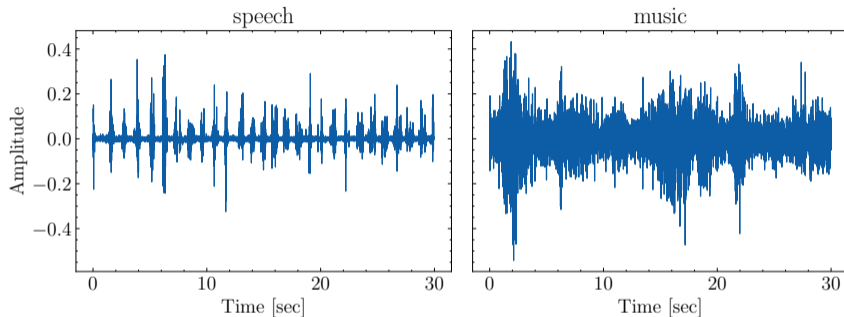


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²Tzanetakis, G. et al. (2002). Musical genre classification of audio signals. *IEEE Transactions on speech and audio processing*, 10(5), 293-302.

Music Speech Discrimination

From an audio file of 30 seconds, does it consists on **music** or **speech**?



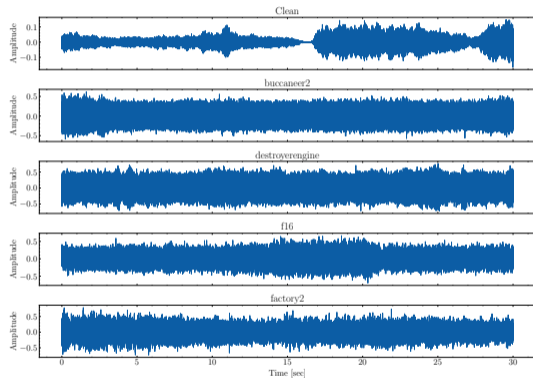
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Multi-Source Acoustic Adaptation

What if audio has different conditions of acquisition? **Can a classifier work on these different settings?**

- We use background noise to simulate different signal acquisition conditions.
- **Consequence:** data follows different probability distributions.



Methodology

Transfer Learning

Our work inserts itself on the context of **transfer learning/MSDA**:

- Training data is constituted by different **source domains**. Test data represents a **target domain**.
- Each domain is assumed to have a **different probability distribution**.
- **Challenge:** Fitting a classifier that learns on the source domains, that works well on the target domain.

Optimal Transport

Optimal Transport is a theory concerned with the **transportation of probability distributions**. As proposed by Courty et al.⁴ it can be used for domain adaptation:

- Step 1. Find the Optimal Transport plan γ using

$$\gamma^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\gamma \in \Pi(\mu_s, \mu_t)} \sum_{i=1}^{n_s} \sum_{j=1}^{n_t} \gamma_{ij} C_{ij}$$

- Step 2. Use γ^* to find the **Barycentric Mapping**,

$$T_{\gamma^*}(\mathbf{x}_i^s) = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^{n_t} \gamma_{ij}^* C(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_j^t)$$

⁴Courty, N., et al (2016). Optimal transport for domain adaptation. IEEE transactions on pattern analysis and machine intelligence, 39(9), 1853-1865.

Optimal Transport

The previous approach minimizes the **Wasserstein Distance** between distributions μ_s and μ_t , given by:

$$W_p^p(\mu_s, \mu_t) = \underset{\gamma \in \Pi(\mu_s, \mu_t)}{\text{minimize}} \sum_{i=1}^{n_s} \sum_{j=1}^{n_t} \gamma_{ij} \|\mathbf{x}_i^s - \mathbf{x}_j^t\|$$

Important: The Wasserstein Distance is a distance between probability distributions, as proved by Villani⁵.

⁵Villani, Cédric. Optimal transport: old and new. Vol. 338. Springer Science & Business Media, 2008.

Wasserstein Barycenter Transport

Motivation: Since W_p^p is a **distance**, we may calculate the **barycenter of probability distributions**:

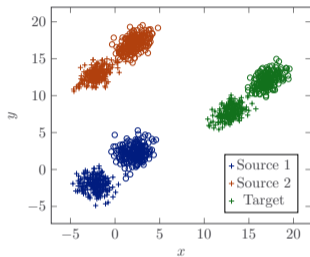
$$\mu_b = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mu} \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k W_C(\mu_k, \mu).$$

Strategy:

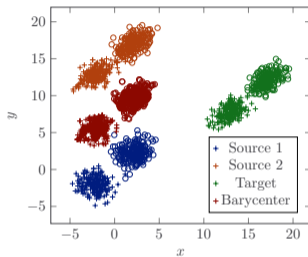
1. Calculate the Wasserstein barycenter of all sources,
2. Perform the transport between the barycenter domain to the target domain.

Wasserstein Barycenter Transport

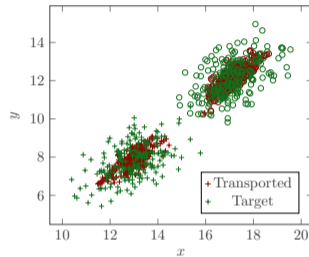
Intuition:



(a) Multi-source domain adaptation.



(b) Intermediate step: Barycenter calculation.

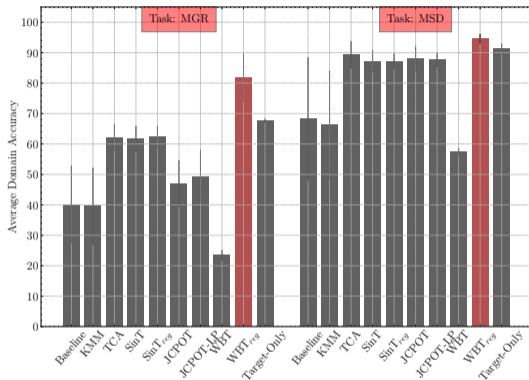


(c) Final step: Transport Barycenter \rightarrow Target.

Figure 1: Illustration of the Wasserstein Barycenter Transport algorithm. The multi-source assumption is illustrated in (a). The method is composed of two steps, shown in (b) and (c).

Results

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- Class-based regularization is key for the success of our method (WBT vs. WBT_{reg}).
- Our method (WBT_{reg}) performs better than the state of the art and **target-only** classifiers.

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We propose a technique that,

- **Improved the baseline performance** (accuracy) on all target domains.
 - Improvement on average: 41.77% (MGR) vs. 26.43% (MSD).
- **Has state-of-the-art performance** (accuracy) on all target domains.
 - Improvement on average to the second best: 19.67% (MGR) vs. 5.20% (MSD)
- **Improved target-only performance** (accuracy) on all target domains.
 - Improvement on average: 14.25% (MGR) vs. 3.29% (MSD).