

# Package ‘approxOT’

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approxOT

*An R package to perform exact and approximate optimal transport.*

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### Description

R and C++ functions to perform exact and approximate optimal transport. All C++ methods are linkable to other R packages via their header files.

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### See Also

Useful links:

- Report bugs at <https://github.com/ericdunipace/approxOT/issues>

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cost\_calc

*Calculate cost matrix*

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### Description

Calculate cost matrix

### Usage

```
cost_calc(X, Y, ground_p)
```

### Arguments

X                   matrix of values in first sample. Observations should be by column, not rows.  
Y                   matrix of Values in second sample. Observations should be by column, not rows.  
ground\_p           power of the Lp norm to use in cost calculation.

### Value

matrix of costs

### Examples

```
X <- matrix(rnorm(10*100), 10, 100)
Y <- matrix(rnorm(10*100), 10, 100)
# the Euclidean distance
cost <- cost_calc(X, Y, ground_p = 2)
```

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hilbert.projection      *Get order along the Hilbert curve*

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**Description**

Get order along the Hilbert curve

**Usage**

```
hilbert.projection(X, Sigma = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

**X**                      matrix of values. Observations are unique by rows.  
**Sigma**                  Covariance of the data. If provided, uses a Mahalanobis distance.

**Value**

Index of orders

**Examples**

```
X <- matrix(rnorm(10*3), 3, 10)
idx <- hilbert.projection(X)
print(idx)
```

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transport\_options      *Function returning supported optimal transportation methods.*

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**Description**

Function returning supported optimal transportation methods.

**Usage**

```
transport_options()
```

**Details**

The currently supported methods are

- exact, networkflow: Utilize the networkflow algorithm to solve the exact optimal transport problem
- shortsimplex: Use the shortsimplex algorithm to solve the exact optimal transport problem
- sinkhorn: Use Sinkhorn's algorithm to solve the approximate optimal transport problem

- greenkhorn: Use the Greenkhorn algorithm to solve the approximate optimal transport problem
- randkhorn: (NOT CURRENTLY IMPLEMENTED) Use the randkhorn algorithm to solve the approximate optimal transport problem
- grandkhorn: (NOT CURRENTLY IMPLEMENTED) Use the grandkhorn algorithm to solve the approximate optimal transport problem
- hilbert: Use hilbert sorting to perform approximate optimal transport
- rank: use the average covariate ranks to perform approximate optimal transport
- univariate: Use appropriate optimal transport methods for univariate data
- swapping: Utilize the swapping algorithm to perform approximate optimal transport
- sliced: Use the sliced optimal transport distance

### Value

Returns a vector of supported transport methods

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transport_plan	<i>Optimal transport plans</i>
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### Description

Optimal transport plans

### Usage

```
transport_plan(
  X,
  Y,
  a = NULL,
  b = NULL,
  p = 2,
  ground_p = 2,
  observation.orientation = c("rowwise", "colwise"),
  method = transport_options(),
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

X	The covariate data of the first sample.
Y	The covariate data of the second sample.
a	Optional. Empirical measure of the first sample
b	Optional. Empirical measure of the second sample
p	The power of the Wasserstein distance

ground_p	The power of the Lp norm
observation.orientation	Are observations by row ("rowwise") or column ("colwise").
method	Which transportation method to use. See [transport_options][transport_options]
...	Additional arguments for various methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"niter": The number of iterations to use for the entropically penalized optimal transport distances</li> <li>"epsilon": The multiple of the median cost to use as a penalty in the entropically penalized optimal transport distances</li> <li>"unbiased": If using Sinkhorn distances, should the distance be de-biased? (TRUE/FALSE)</li> <li>"nboot": If using sliced Wasserstein distances, specify the number of Monte Carlo samples</li> </ul>

**Value**

a list with slots "tplan" and "cost". "tplan" is the optimal transport plan and "cost" is the optimal transport distance.

**Examples**

```
set.seed(203987)
n <- 100
d <- 10
x <- matrix(rnorm(d*n), nrow=d, ncol=n)
y <- matrix(rnorm(d*n), nrow=d, ncol=n)
#get hilbert sort orders for x in backwards way
transx <- transport_plan(X=x, Y=x, ground_p = 2, p = 2,
  observation.orientation = "colwise",
  method = "hilbert")
```

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transport\_plan\_given\_C

*Optimal transport plans given a pre-specified cost*

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**Description**

Optimal transport plans given a pre-specified cost

**Usage**

```
transport_plan_given_C(
  mass_x,
  mass_y,
  p = 2,
  cost = NULL,
```

```

method = "exact",
cost_a = NULL,
cost_b = NULL,
...
)

```

### Arguments

mass_x	The empirical measure of the first sample
mass_y	The empirical measure of the second sample.
p	The power of the Wasserstein distance
cost	Specify the cost matrix in advance.
method	The transportation method to use, one of "exact", "networkflow", "shortsimplex", "sinkhorn", "greenkhorn"
cost_a	The cost matrix for the first sample with itself. Only used for unbiased Sinkhorn
cost_b	The cost matrix for the second sample with itself. Only used for unbiased Sinkhorn
...	Additional arguments for various methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"niter": The number of iterations to use for the entropically penalized optimal transport distances</li> <li>"epsilon": The multiple of the median cost to use as a penalty in the entropically penalized optimal transport distances</li> <li>"unbiased": If using Sinkhorn distances, should the distance be de-biased? (TRUE/FALSE)</li> </ul>

### Value

A transportation plan as a list with slots "from", "to", and "mass".

### Examples

```

n <- 32
d <- 5
set.seed(293897)
A <- matrix(stats::rnorm(n*d), nrow=d, ncol=n)
B <- matrix(stats::rnorm(n*d), nrow=d, ncol=n)
transp.meth <- "sinkhorn"
niter <- 1e2
test <- transport_plan_given_C(rep(1/n,n),
rep(1/n,n), 2, cost = cost_calc(A,B,2),
"sinkhorn", niter = niter)

```

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`transport_plan_multimarg`*Multimarginal optimal transport plans*

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## Description

Multimarginal optimal transport plans

## Usage

```
transport_plan_multimarg(  
  ...,  
  p = 2,  
  ground_p = 2,  
  observation.orientation = c("rowwise", "colwise"),  
  method = c("hilbert", "univariate", "sliced"),  
  nsim = 1000  
)
```

## Arguments

<code>...</code>	Either data matrices as separate arguments or a list of data matrices. Arguments after the data must be specified by name.
<code>p</code>	The power of the Wasserstein distance to use
<code>ground_p</code>	The power of the Euclidean distance to use
<code>observation.orientation</code>	Are observations by rows or columns
<code>method</code>	One of "hilbert", "univariate", or "sliced"
<code>nsim</code>	Number of simulations to use for the sliced method

## Value

transport plan

## Examples

```
set.seed(23423)  
n <- 100  
d <- 10  
p <- ground_p <- 2 #euclidean cost, p = 2  
x <- matrix(stats::rnorm((n + 11)*d), n + 11 , d)  
y <- matrix(stats::rnorm(n*d), n, d)  
z <- matrix(stats::rnorm((n +455)*d), n +455, d)  
  
# make data a list  
data <- list(x,y,z)
```

```
tplan <- transport_plan_multimarg(data, p = p, ground_p = ground_p,
observation.orientation = "rowwise", method = "hilbert")

#' #transpose data works too
datat <- lapply(data, t)

tplan2 <- transport_plan_multimarg(datat, p = p, ground_p = ground_p,
observation.orientation = "colwise",method = "hilbert")
```

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wasserstein

*Calculate the Wasserstein distance*


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## Description

Calculate the Wasserstein distance

## Usage

```
wasserstein(
  X = NULL,
  Y = NULL,
  a = NULL,
  b = NULL,
  cost = NULL,
  tplan = NULL,
  p = 2,
  ground_p = 2,
  method = transport_options(),
  cost_a = NULL,
  cost_b = NULL,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

X	The covariate data of the first sample.
Y	The covariate data of the second sample.
a	Optional. Empirical measure of the first sample
b	Optional. Empirical measure of the second sample
cost	Specify the cost matrix in advance.
tplan	Give a transportation plan with slots "from", "to", and "mass", like that returned by the [transportation_plan][transportation_plan] function.
p	The power of the Wasserstein distance
ground_p	The power of the Lp norm
method	Which transportation method to use. See [transport_options][transport_options]



<code>cost_a</code>	The cost matrix for the first sample with itself. Only used for unbiased Sinkhorn
<code>cost_b</code>	The cost matrix for the second sample with itself. Only used for unbiased Sinkhorn
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments for various methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• "niter": The number of iterations to use for the entropically penalized optimal transport distances</li><li>• "epsilon": The multiple of the median cost to use as a penalty in the entropically penalized optimal transport distances</li><li>• "unbiased": If using Sinkhorn distances, should the distance be de-biased? (TRUE/FALSE)</li><li>• "nboot": If using sliced Wasserstein distances, specify the number of Monte Carlo samples</li></ul>

### Value

The p-Wasserstein distance, a numeric value

### Examples

```
set.seed(11289374)
n <- 100
z <- stats::rnorm(n)
w <- stats::rnorm(n)
uni <- approxOT::wasserstein(X = z, Y = w,
p = 2, ground_p = 2,
observation.orientation = "colwise",
method = "univariate")
```

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