

# The Theory and Computation of Optimal Transportation

## Spherical Optimal Transportation



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图: Theory and Computation of Optimal Transportation



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## Minkowski Problem

Given  $k$  unit vectors  $n_1, \dots, n_k$ , not contained in any half-space of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $A_1, \dots, A_k > 0$ , satisfying

$$\sum_{i=1}^k A_i \mathbf{n}_i = \mathbf{0},$$

find a compact convex polyhedron  $P$ , with  $k$  co-dimension 1 facets  $F_1, \dots, F_k$ , such that the volume of  $F_i$  equals to  $A_i$ , the normal to  $F_i$  is  $\mathbf{n}_i$ .

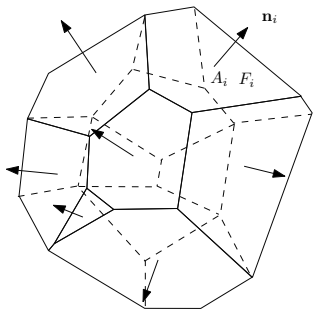


图: Minkowski problem.

## 定理 (Minkowski)

*Such kind of  $P$  exists, and is unique up to a translation.*

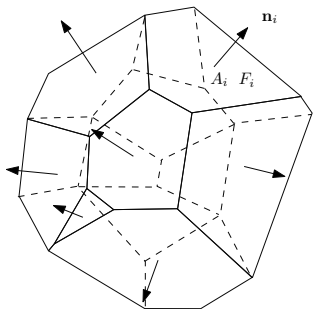


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## 定理 (Alexandrov 1950)

Suppose  $\Omega$  is a compact convex domain in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $p_1, \dots, p_k$  are distinct vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $A_1, \dots, A_k > 0$ , satisfying  $\sum A_i = \text{vol}(\Omega)$ , then there exists a convex piecewise linear function, unique up to a constant,

$$u(x) = \max_{i=1}^k \langle p_i, x \rangle - h_i,$$

such that

$$\text{vol}(W_i) = A_i, \quad W_i = \{x | u(x) = p_i\}.$$

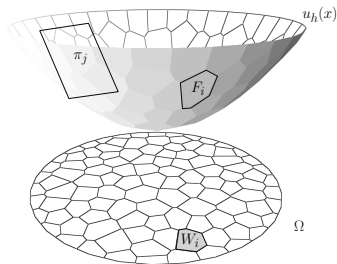


图: Alexandrov Theorem.

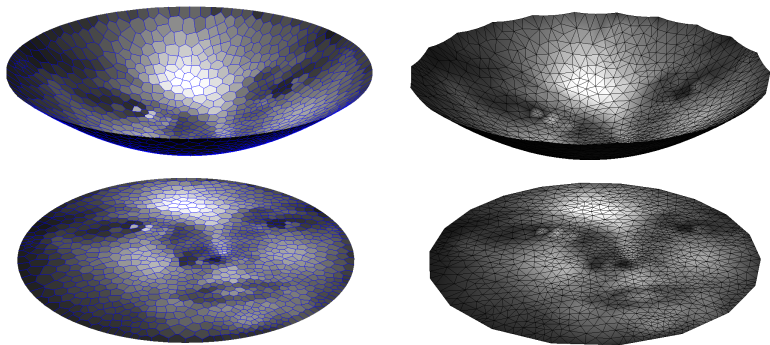


图: Semi-discrete Optimal Transportation, initial stage.

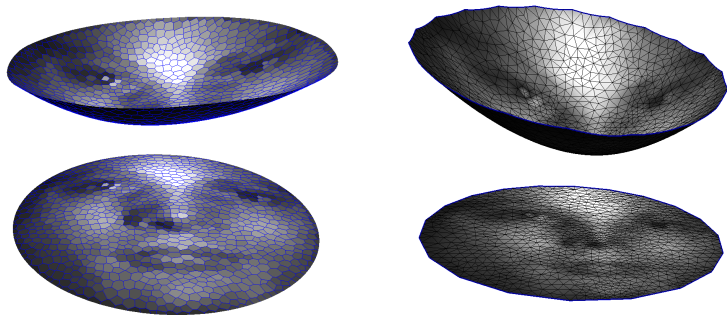
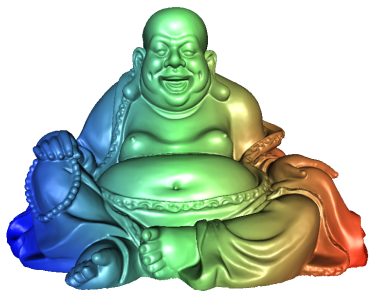
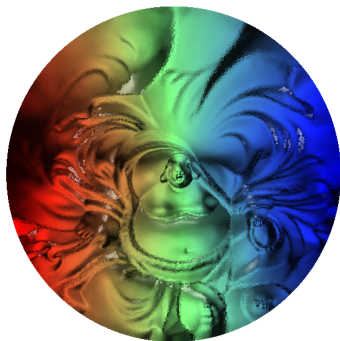


图: Semi-discrete Optimal Transportation, final stage.

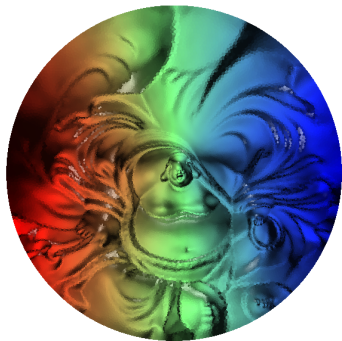


Buddha surface

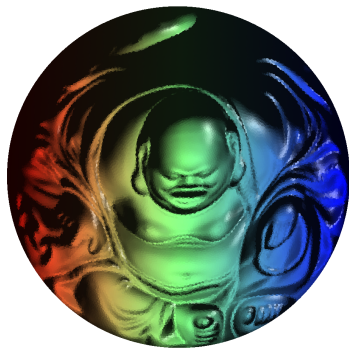


Riemann mapping

图: Conformal mapping.

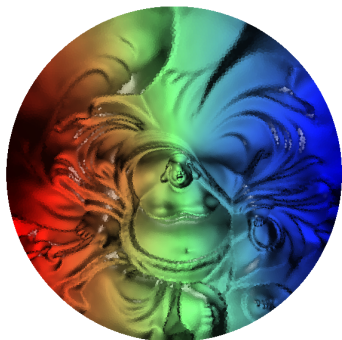


Riemann Mapping



OT Mapping

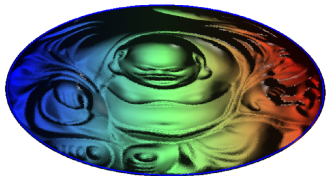
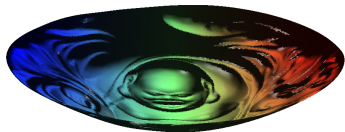




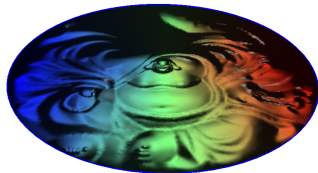
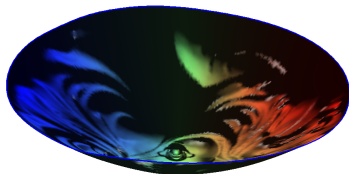
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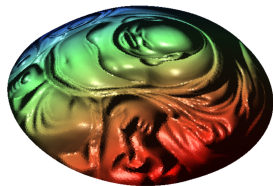
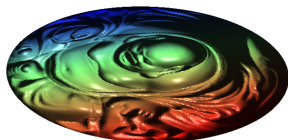
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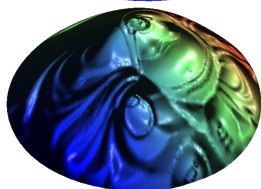
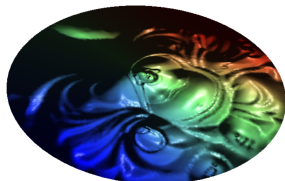
Brenier potential



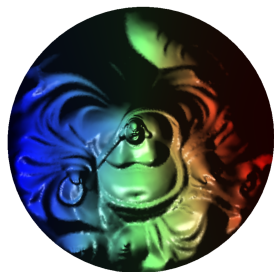
Legendre dual



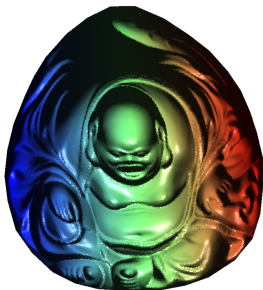
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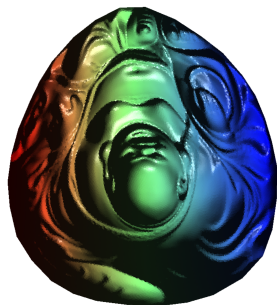
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Riemann Mapping



OT mapping



WT mapping

Suppose  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is a bounded open convex domain, containing the origin, the boundary  $\partial K$  is parameterized by polar coordinates:

$$\partial K = \{\rho(x)x : x \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}, \rho : \mathbb{S}^{d-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+\}.$$

定义 (sub-normal map)

For any point  $z \in \partial K$ , the *sub-normal map* maps a point  $z$  to a closed set on the unit sphere,  $z \mapsto N_K(z)$ ,

$$N_K(z) := \left\{ y \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1} : K \subset \{w : \langle y, w - z \rangle \leq 0\} \right\}. \quad \blacklozenge \quad (1)$$

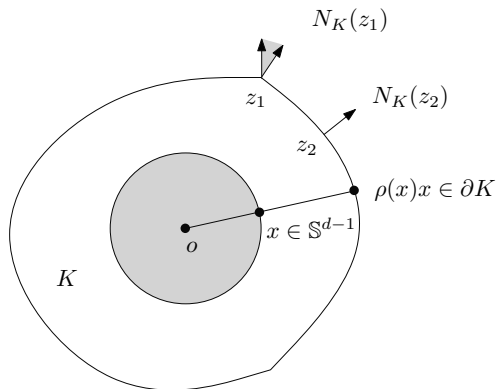


图: Given a convex  $K \ni 0$ , the boundary  $\partial K$  is parameterized by polar coordinates, represented as  $\rho : \mathbb{S}^{d-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ . Given a point  $z \in \partial K$ , the set  $N_K(z)$  consists of all the exterior normals at  $z$ . When  $K$  has a unique tangent plane at  $z$  (such as  $z_2$ ),  $N_K(z)$  is a singleton. If  $z$  is a corner point, then  $N_K(z)$  consists of multiple elements (such as  $z_1$ ).

## 定义 (Gauss Map)

Multi-valued Gauss map  $G_K : \mathbb{S}^{d-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^{d-1}$  is defined by:

$$G_K(x) := N_K(\rho(x)x).$$

The Gauss curvature measure is defined as:

$$\mu_K(E) := \mathcal{H}^{d-1}(G_K(E)), \quad \forall \text{ Borel 集合 } E \subset \mathbb{S}^{d-1}.$$

where  $\mathcal{H}^{d-1}$  represents the  $d-1$  dimensional Hausdorff measure on  $\mathbb{S}^{d-1}$ . □

It can be shown that  $\mu_K$  is a Borel measure.

## 问题 (Minkowski I)

Given a Borel measure  $\nu$  defined on the sphere  $\mathbb{S}^{d-1}$ , can we find a bounded convex open set  $K \ni 0$ , such that  $\nu = \mu_K$ ?  $\square$

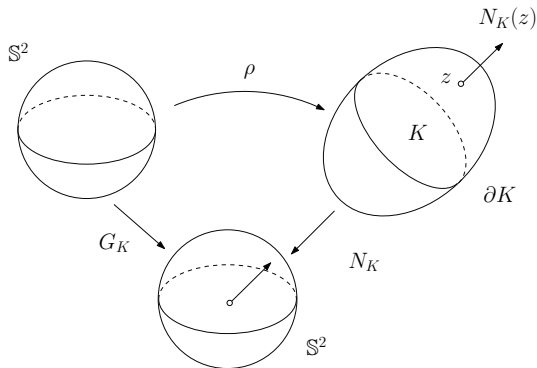


图: Minkowski Problem I.



### 定义 (Spherical Convex Set and Polar Set)

Given a spherical set  $\omega \subset \mathbb{S}^{d-1}$ , we say  $\omega$  is convex, if the cone

$$\mathbb{R}^+\omega := \{tx : t > 0, x \in \omega\}$$

is convex. The polar set of  $\omega$  is defined as

$$\omega^* := \{y \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1} : \langle x, y \rangle \leq 0, \forall x \in \omega\}. \quad \square$$

### 定理 (Minkowski I)

Let  $\nu$  be a Borel measure on  $\mathbb{S}^{d-1}$ , then there exists a bounded convex open set  $K$ , such that

$$\nu = \mu_K \iff \begin{cases} (a) \nu(\mathbb{S}^{d-1}) = \mathcal{H}^{d-1}(\mathbb{S}^{d-1}); \\ (b) \nu(\mathbb{S}^{d-1} \setminus \omega) > \mathcal{H}^{d-1}(\omega^*), \forall \omega \subsetneq \mathbb{S}^{d-1} \text{ compact convex} \end{cases}$$

If  $K$  exists, then different solutions differ by a dilation. □

定理 (Regularity of the Solution to Minkowski Problem)

Suppose  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  is a convex open set containing the origin, if  $\mu_K = f d\mathcal{H}^2$ , the density function  $f: \mathbb{S}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is bounded, then  $\partial K$  is  $C^1$ . □

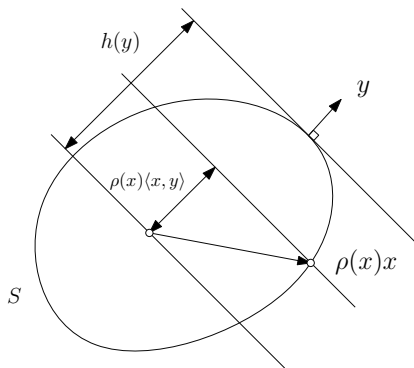


图: Generalized Legendre Transform,  
 $h(y) = \max\{\rho(x)\langle x, y \rangle, x \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}\}$ .

## 定义 (Spherical Legendre Dual)

Given a hyper-surface in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , with polar representation  $S := \{\rho(x)x : x \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}, \rho : \mathbb{S}^{d-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+\}$ , its spherical Legendre dual is  $S^* := \{h(y)y : y \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}, h : \mathbb{S}^{d-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+\}$ , where

$$h(y) := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}} \rho(x) \langle x, y \rangle. \quad (2)$$

symmetrically,  $S = (S^*)^*$ , furthermore

$$\rho(x) = \inf_{y \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}} \frac{h(y)}{\langle x, y \rangle}, \quad (3)$$

or equivalently

$$\rho^{-1}(x) = \sup_{y \in \mathbb{S}^{d-1}} h^{-1}(y) \langle x, y \rangle. \quad \square$$

## Formula (口诀)

cost determines support, support envelopes potential (代价变换支撑, 支撑包络势能);

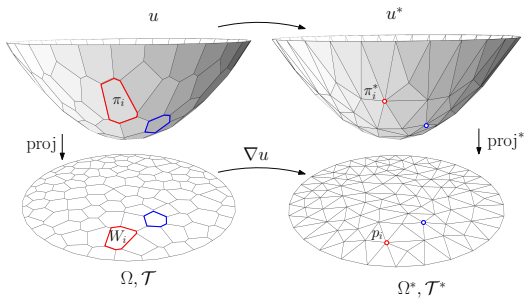


图: Legendre Dual in Euclidean Space.

## Formula (口诀)

Differentiation of Potential gives maps; maps is dual to convex hull (势能微分映射; 映射对偶凸形。)

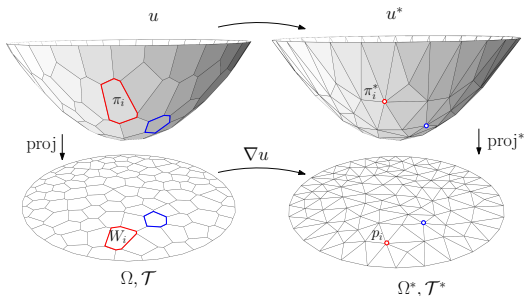


图: Euclidean Legendre dual. Support plane  $\langle \mathbf{p}, x \rangle - h = 0$ , dual point  $(\mathbf{p}, h)$ .

## Formula

cost transformed to support, support envelopes potential,  
potential differentiates map, map dual to convex hull.

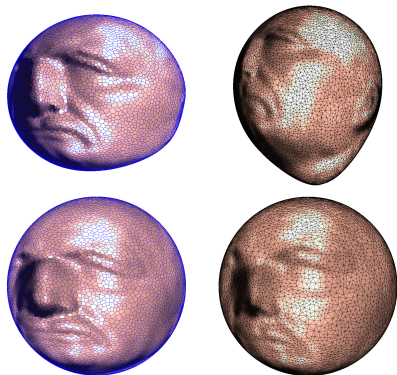


图: Legendre dual. support plane  $\rho(x) = h/\langle x, \mathbf{y} \rangle$ , dual point  $h^{-1}\mathbf{y}$

Take logarithm of spherical Legendre duality formula,

$$\log \rho(x) = \inf_y \left\{ -\log \langle x, y \rangle - \log \frac{1}{h(y)} \right\}, \quad (4)$$

and

$$\log \frac{1}{h(y)} = \inf_x \{ -\log \langle x, y \rangle - \log \rho(x) \}. \quad (5)$$

Define cost function  $c : \mathbb{S}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{S}^{d-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$ ,

$$c(x, y) := -\log \langle x, y \rangle, \quad (6)$$

then  $\log \rho(x)$  and  $-\log h(y)$  are  $c$ -transform of each other:

$$(\log \rho(x))^c = \log \frac{1}{h(y)} \quad \text{和} \quad \left( \log \frac{1}{h(y)} \right)^{\bar{c}} = \log \rho(x).$$



证明.

Minkowski problem I can be rephrased as an optimal transportation problem: given a Borel measure  $\nu$  on  $\mathbb{S}^{d-1}$ , find an optimal transportation map  $T: (\mathbb{S}^{d-1}, \mathcal{H}^{d-1}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{S}^{d-1}, \nu)$ ,

$$\min_{T \# \mathcal{H}^{d-1} = \nu} \int_{\mathbb{S}^{d-1}} -\log \langle x, T(x) \rangle d\mathcal{H}^{d-1}.$$

this is equivalent to the dual problem:

$$\max \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{S}^{d-1}} \varphi(x) d\mathcal{H}^{d-1}(x) + \int_{\mathbb{S}^{d-1}} \varphi^c(y) d\nu(y), \quad \varphi \in c\text{-conv}(\mathbb{S}^{d-1}) \right\}.$$

the cost function  $-\log \langle x, y \rangle$  is continuous,  $\mathbb{S}^{d-1}$  is a compact metric space, by (DP) theory, there exists a solution  $(\varphi, \varphi^c) = (\rho(x), 1/h(y))$ . □

Assume  $S$  is a smooth strictly convex surface, its Gauss map  $N_k : S \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2$  is invertible. We can use Gauss sphere to parameterize the surface, denoted as  $S(y)$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{S}^2$ . The normal to the surface at  $S(y)$  is  $y$ , the Gaussian curvature is  $\mathcal{K}(y)$ . The Gaussian curvature satisfies:

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^2} \frac{y}{\mathcal{K}(y)} dA_{\mathbb{S}^2}(y) = 0.$$

The surface area element is:

$$d\nu = dA_S(y) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{K}(y)} dA_{\mathbb{S}^2}(y).$$

Namely, the Gauss map pushes the area element  $dA_S$  to measure  $\nu$  on the Gauss sphere, the density is  $\mathcal{K}(y)^{-1}$ .

## 问题 (Minkowski II)

Given measure  $\nu$  on the sphere, satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^2} y d\nu(y) = \mathbf{0},$$

Find a convex surface  $S(y)$ , such that  $d\nu$  is the area element of  $S$ , where the density of  $\nu$  is  $d\nu = \frac{1}{\mathcal{K}(y)} dA_{\mathbb{S}^2}$ , the normal to the surface at  $S(y)$  is  $y$ , and the Gaussian curvature is  $\mathcal{K}(y)$ .

In Minkowski problem I, the surface has polar representation  $\rho(x)x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{S}^2$ ; in Minkowski problem II, surface is parameterized by the Gauss sphere, namely parameterized by the normals.

We use the sum of Dirac distributions to approximate the measure  $\nu$ . Construct a cell decomposition of the sphere  $\mathcal{D}$ ,

$$\mathbb{S}^2 = \bigcup_{i=1}^n W_i,$$

for each cell  $W_i$ , compute a vector

$$v_i = \int_{W_i} \frac{y}{\mathcal{K}(y)} dA_{\mathbb{S}^2},$$

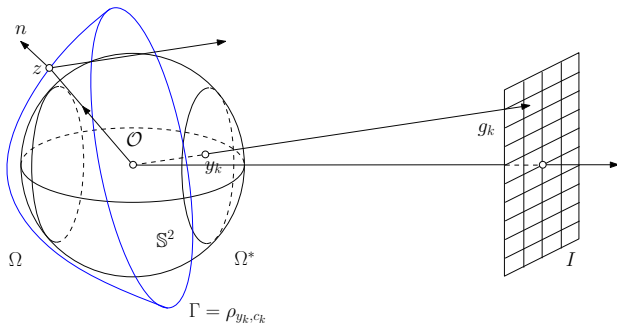
let  $A_i = |v_i|$  and  $y_i = v_i/A_i$ , then use  $\{(A_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$  to solve discrete Minkowski problem to obtain the discrete convex polyhedron  $P$ , the normal to the  $i$ -th face is  $y_i$ , the area of the  $i$ -th face is  $A_i$ .

Construct a sequence of cell decompositions  $\mathcal{D}_1, \mathcal{D}_2, \dots, \mathcal{D}_n, \dots$ , if the diameters of the cells uniformly monotonously converge to 0, then there is a subsequence of convex polyhedra  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n, \dots$  converge to the smooth convex surface  $S$ .

A illumination system consists of a point light source at  $\mathcal{O}$  and a reflector surface  $\Gamma$  with polar representation,

$$\Gamma_\rho = \{x\rho(x); x \in \Omega\}, \quad \rho > 0, \quad (7)$$

all the incidence light rays fall inside the input domain  $\Omega$ .



If we only consider the far field problem, then we can only care about the directions of the reflected rays. All the reflected rays fall in the output domain  $\Omega^*$ .

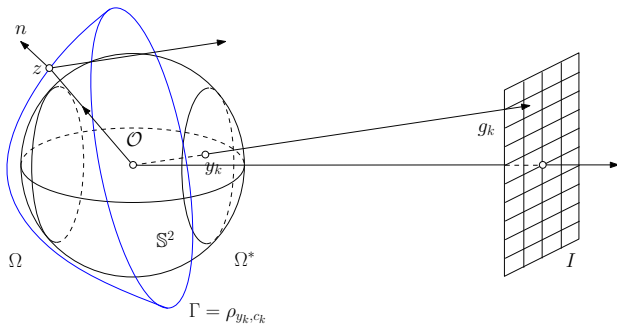


图: Illumination system.



图: Left: the desired far field image, Lena; Right: the simulated reflected image.



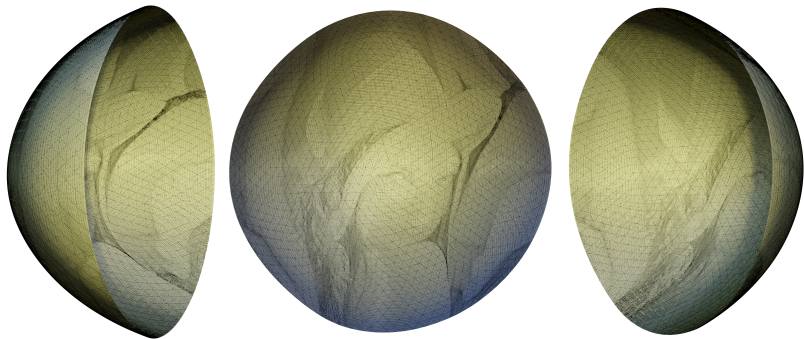


图: The reflector surface for the Lena image.



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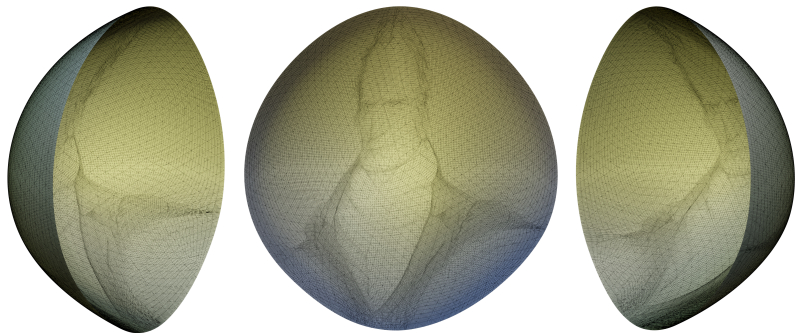


图: The reflector surface for the Lena image.

Suppose  $f$  is the illumination intensity defined on the input domain  $\Omega$ , namely the distribution of the incidence rays emanating from  $\mathcal{O}$ ,  $g$  is the illumination intensity in the output domain  $\Omega^*$ . Assume there is no energy loss, then according energy conservation law, we have

$$\int_{\Omega} f = \int_{\Omega^*} g. \quad (8)$$

A ray emanates from  $\mathcal{O}$ , propagates along a direction  $x \in \Omega$ , intersects the mirror at  $z = x\rho(x) \in \Gamma_\rho$ , the reflection direction is determined by the reflection law,

$$T(x) = T_\rho(x) = \partial\rho(x) = x - 2\langle x, n \rangle n, \quad (9)$$

where  $n$  is the exterior normal to the reflector surface  $\Gamma_\rho$  at point  $z$ ,  $\langle x, n \rangle$  represents the inner product. By energy conservation,  $T$  is measure preserving,

$$\int_{T^{-1}(E)} f = \int_E g, \quad \forall \text{ Borel 集合 } E \subset \Omega^*. \quad (10)$$

satisfying the natural boundary condition

$$T_\rho(\Omega) = \partial\rho(\Omega) = \Omega^*. \quad (11)$$

By measure preserving condition, we can obtain the PDE for the reflector. In fact, at  $x \in \Omega$ , the Jacobi of  $T$  equals to  $f(x)/g(T(x))$ , in a local orthonormal coordinates of  $\mathbb{S}^2$ , the local representation of the PDE is

$$\mathcal{L}\rho = \eta^{-2} \det(-\nabla_i \nabla_j \rho + 2\rho^{-1} \nabla_i \rho \nabla_j \rho + (\rho - \eta) \delta_{ij}) = f(x)/g(T(x)), \quad (12)$$

where  $\nabla$  is the covariant differential operator,  $\eta = (|\nabla \rho|^2 + \rho^2)/2\rho$ , and  $\delta_{ij}$  is the Kronecker function. This is a non-linear Monge-Ampère PDE, a natural boundary condition is

$$T_\rho(\Omega) = \partial\rho(\Omega) = \Omega^*. \quad (13)$$

## 问题 (Reflector Design)

*Given spherical domains  $\Omega, \Omega^* \subset \mathbb{S}^2$ , and density functions  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $g: \Omega^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ , find a reflector surface  $\Gamma_\rho$ , such that the reflection map  $T_\rho$  satisfies the measure-preserving condition and the natural boundary condition.* □

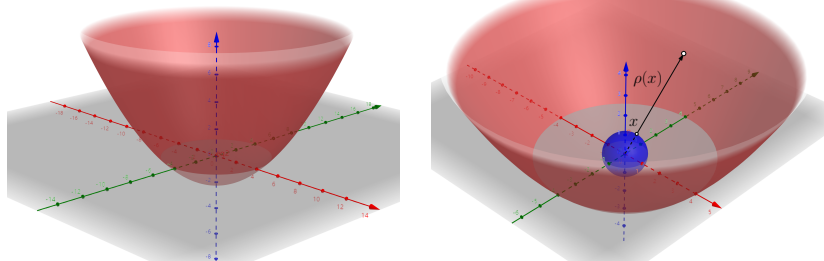


图: A paraboloid of revolution about the axis of direction  $y$ , with radial representation  $\rho(x) = C/(1 - \langle x, y \rangle)$ .

The uniform reflection property of a paraboloid of revolution: all the reflected rays of the incidence rays parallel to the rotation axis intersect at the focal point, vice versa.



### 定义 (Supporting Paraboloid)

Let  $\rho \in C(\Omega)$  be a positive function,  $\Gamma_\rho = \{x\rho(x) : x \in \Omega\}$  represents the radial graph of  $\rho$ . We say  $\Gamma_p$  is a supporting paraboloid of  $\rho$  at  $x_0\rho(x_0) \in \Gamma_\rho$ , where  $p = p_{y,C}$ , if

$$\begin{cases} \rho(x_0) = p_{y,C}(x_0), \\ \rho(x) \leq p_{y,C}(x), \quad \forall x \in \Omega. \end{cases} \quad \blacklozenge \quad (14)$$

### 定义 (Admissible Function)

We say  $\rho$  is an *admissible function*, if its radial graph  $\Gamma_\rho$  has a supporting paraboloid at every point.  $\square$

## 定义 (Subdifferential)

Let  $\rho$  be an admissible function, the subdifferential is a set-valued map  $\partial\rho : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2$ : for any  $x_0 \in \Omega$ ,  $\partial\rho(x_0)$  is set of  $y_0$ , such that there exists a  $C > 0$ ,  $p_{y_0,C}$  is the supporting paraboloid of  $\rho$  at  $x_0$ ,

$$\partial\rho(x) = \{y \in \Omega^* : \exists C > 0 \text{ s.t. paraboloid } p_{y,C} \text{ supports } \rho \text{ at } x\}. \quad \square$$

## 定义 (Generalized Alexandrov Measure)

The subdifferential  $\partial\rho$  induces a measure  $\mu = \mu_{\rho,g}$  on  $\Omega$ , where  $g \in L^1(\Omega^*)$  is a non-negative measurable function on  $\mathbb{S}^2$ , such that for any Borel set  $E \subset \Omega$ ,

$$\mu_{\rho,g}(E) = \int_{\partial\rho(E)} g(x) dx. \quad (15)$$

## 定义 (Generalized Solution)

Admissible function  $\rho$  is called the generalized solution to the spherical Monge-Ampère equation for reflection system, if as measures  $\mu_{\rho,g} = f dx$ . Equivalently, for any Borel set  $E \subset \Omega$ , we have

$$\int_E f = \int_{\partial\rho(E)} g. \quad (16)$$

Furthermore, if  $\rho$  satisfies

$$\Omega^* \subset \partial\rho(\Omega), \quad |\{x \in \Omega : f(x) > 0 \text{ and } \partial\rho(x) - \overline{\Omega^*} \neq \emptyset\}| = 0, \quad (17)$$

then  $\rho$  is the generalized solution to the spherical Monge-Ampère equation for the OT map  $\mathcal{L}\rho = f/g \circ T$  with natural boundary condition  $T_\rho(\Omega) = \Omega^*$ .  $\square$

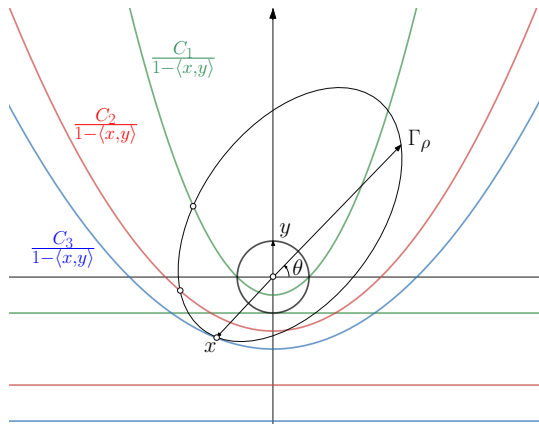


图: Generalized Legendre transformation.

Suppose  $\rho$  is admissible, fix a direction  $y \in \mathbb{S}^2$ , there exists a paraboloid of revolution about the axis of direction  $y$ , represented as  $p_{y,c}$  with radial representation  $\frac{c}{1-\langle x,y \rangle}$ , which supports  $\Gamma_\rho$  at point  $\rho(x)x$ . As shown in the figure, for any paraboloid of revolution about the axis of direction  $y$   $p_{y,\tilde{c}}$ , which intersects  $\Gamma_\rho$ , we have  $\tilde{c} \leq c$ . Assume  $\Gamma_\rho$  intersects  $p_{y,\tilde{c}}$  at  $\rho(x)x$ , then  $\rho(x) = \frac{\tilde{c}}{1-\langle x,y \rangle}$ ,  $\tilde{c} = \rho(x)(1 - \langle x, y \rangle)$ . Hence we have

$$c(y) = \sup_{x \in \Omega} \rho(x)(1 - \langle x, y \rangle) \iff \frac{1}{c(y)} = \inf_{x \in \Omega} \frac{1}{\rho(x)(1 - \langle x, y \rangle)},$$

We represent it as  $\eta : \Omega^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $\eta(y) = 1/c(y)$ .

## 定义 (Generalized Legendre Transform)

Suppose  $\rho$  is an admissible function defined on  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{S}^2$ , the generalized Legendre transform of  $\rho$  with respect to the function  $\frac{1}{1-\langle x, y \rangle}$  is a function  $\eta$  defined on  $\mathbb{S}^2$ ,

$$\eta(y) = \inf_{x \in \Omega} \frac{1}{\rho(x)(1 - \langle x, y \rangle)}. \quad \blacklozenge \quad (18)$$

For any fixed  $y_0 \in \Omega^*$ , suppose the infimum is reached at  $x_0 \in \Omega$ , hence we have

$$\eta(y_0)\rho(x_0) = \frac{1}{1 - \langle x_0, y_0 \rangle}, \quad (19)$$

for arbitrary  $x \in \Omega$  and  $y \in \Omega^*$ ,

$$\rho(x)\eta(y) \leq \frac{1}{1 - \langle x, y \rangle}, \quad (20)$$

and the paraboloid  $p_{y_0, C}(x) = \frac{C}{1 - \langle x, y_0 \rangle}$  supports  $\rho$  at  $x_0$ , and  $p_{x_0, C}(y) = \frac{C}{1 - \langle x_0, y \rangle}$  supports  $\eta$  at  $y_0$ .

Furthermore:

$$y_0 \in \partial\rho(x_0) \iff x_0 \in \partial\eta(y_0).$$

especially, when the generalized Legendre transform of  $\eta$  is restricted on  $\Omega$ , it is exactly  $\rho$ ,

$$\rho^{**} = \rho.$$

If  $\rho$  is smooth and satisfies the Monge-Ampère equation(12), then the subdifferential  $\partial\eta$  is the inverse map of  $\partial\rho$ . Hence,  $\eta$  satisfies the equation

$$\mathcal{L}\rho = \frac{f(x)}{g(\partial\rho(x))}, \quad \mathcal{L}\eta = \frac{g(y)}{f(\partial\eta(x))}, \quad (21)$$



## 定理 (Reflector Design)

Suppose  $\Omega$  and  $\Omega^*$  are domains contained in the north and the south hemi-sphere respectively,  $f$  and  $g$  are bounded positive functions,  $\int_{\Omega} f(x) = \int_{\Omega^*}$ , then there exist a pair of functions  $(\varphi_1, \psi_1)$  maximizing the following energy,

$$\sup \left\{ \int_{\Omega} \varphi(x)f(x)dx + \int_{\Omega^*} \psi(y)g(y)dy, \varphi(x) + \psi(y) \leq c(x, y) \right\}, \quad (22)$$

where

$$c(x, y) = -\log(1 - \langle x, y \rangle), \quad (23)$$

$\langle x, y \rangle$  is the inner product in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , such that  $\rho = e^{\varphi}$  is the solution to the spherical Monge-Ampère equation  $\mathcal{L}\rho = f/g \circ \partial\rho$  satisfying the natural boundary condition  $\partial\rho(\Omega) = \Omega^*$ , and all such solutions  $\phi$  differ by a constant. □

**Proof.**

Reflector design is an optimal transport problem. By the existence and the uniqueness of the solution to the dual problem (DP), we get that there exist a pair of Kantorovich potentials  $(\varphi, \psi)$ ,  $\psi = \varphi^c$ ,  $\varphi = \psi^{\bar{c}}$ , and  $\varphi$  is unique up to a constant. Let  $x_0 \in \Omega$  be a differentiable point of  $\varphi$ , let  $y_0 \in \overline{\Omega^*}$ , such that

$$\begin{cases} \varphi(x_0) &= c(x_0, y_0) - \psi(y_0) \\ \varphi(x) &\leq c(x, y_0) - \psi(y_0), \quad \forall x \in \Omega. \end{cases}$$

now let  $\rho = e^\varphi$ , the paraboloid is given by

$$p(x) = \exp(c(x, y_0) - \psi(y_0)) = \frac{C}{1 - \langle x, y_0 \rangle}, \quad C = \exp(-\psi(y_0)).$$

then  $p(x)$  supports  $\Gamma_\rho$  at  $x_0$ . □

continued.

$\Gamma_\rho$  is the inner envelope of the supporting paraboloids,  $\rho$  is almost everywhere differentiable. At the differentiable points of  $\rho$ , the supporting paraboloid is unique, hence  $y_0$  is unique. Hence, the optimal transport plan becomes an optimal transport map  $T_\rho : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega^*$ .

The paraboloid  $p(x)$  and  $\Gamma_\rho$  share the same normal vector at the tangential point, by the uniform reflection property of the paraboloid, we have

$$y_0 = T_\rho(x_0) = T_p(x_0) = x_0 - 2\langle x_0, n \rangle n.$$

$T_\rho$  is measure preserving, satisfies the spherical Monge-Ampère equation,  $\mathcal{L}\rho = f/g \circ \partial\rho$ , with the natural boundary condition  $T_\rho(\Omega) = \Omega^*$ . □

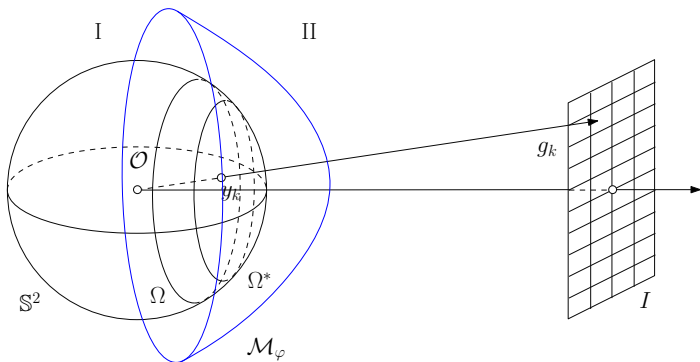


图: Refractive lens system.

Suppose  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  are refractive indices of two homogeneous, isotropic media I and II. Suppose the light source is at a point  $\mathcal{O}$  in the medium I, along a direction  $x \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{S}^2$ , the light intensity is  $f(x)$ .

We want to construct a refractive surface with radial representation  $\Gamma_\rho$ ,

$$\Gamma_\rho = \{x\rho(x); x \in \Omega\}, \quad \rho > 0, \quad (24)$$

$\Gamma_\rho$  separates the media I and II, such that all the directions of the refracted rays in the medium II are inside  $\Omega^* \subset \mathbb{S}^2$ , and the intensity of the ray along  $y \in \Omega^*$  equals to  $g(y)$ , where the spherical function  $g: \Omega^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is prescribed.

Suppose the refraction has no energy loss, by energy conservation law,

$$\int_{\Omega} f(x) dx = \int_{\Omega^*} g(y) dy. \quad (25)$$

A ray starts from  $\mathcal{O}$  and arrives at  $x\rho(x) \in \Gamma_{\rho}$ , where  $x \in \Omega$ . It is refracted, the direction of the refracted ray is

$$T(x) = T_{\rho}(x) = \partial\rho(x). \quad (26)$$

By energy conservation,  $T$  is measure preserving, namely

$$\int_{T^{-1}(E)} f(x) dx = \int_E g(y) dy, \quad \forall \text{ Borel set } E \subset \Omega^*, \quad (27)$$

with natural boundary condition

$$T_\rho(\Omega) = \partial\rho(\Omega) = \Omega^*. \quad (28)$$

### 问题 (Refractor Design)

*Suppose  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  are refractive indices of two homogeneous, isotropic media. Given spherical domains  $\Omega, \Omega^* \subset \mathbb{S}^2$ , density functions  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $g: \Omega^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ , find refractive surface  $\Gamma_\rho$  separates the two media, the refraction map  $T_\rho$  (26) satisfies the measure preserving condition (27) and the natural boundary condition (28).  $\square$*



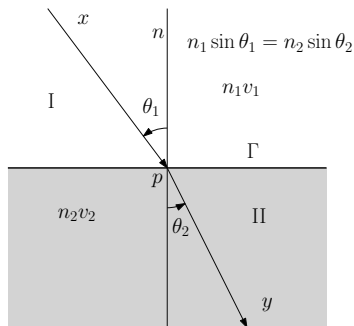


图: Snell refraction law.

$v_1$  and  $v_2$  are the light speeds in the media I and II,  $n_1 = c/v_1$ ,  $n_2 = c/v_2$  are the *refractive indices*. Suppose a ray along the direction  $x \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$  travels in medium I, and hits a boundary point  $p \in \Gamma$  and enters the medium II, the refracted ray is along the direction  $y \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ .

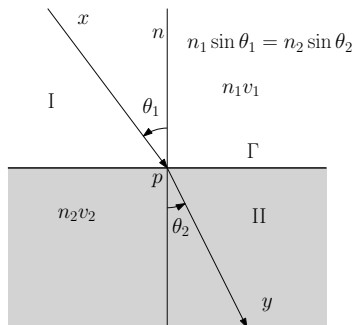


图: Snell refraction law.

Snell law claims

$$n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2,$$

where  $\theta_1$  is the *angle of incidence*,  $\theta_2$  is the *angle of refraction*,  $n$  is normal to the interface surface  $\Gamma$ , pointing to the medium II. The vectors  $x$ ,  $n$  and  $y$  are co-planar.

定义 (Surface with uniform refraction property)

If the interface surface  $\Gamma$  of the media I and II refracts all the rays of light emanating from the origin  $\mathcal{O}$  inside medium I into rays parallel to a fixed  $y \in \mathbb{S}^2$ , then  $\Gamma$  is called a surface with uniform refraction property.

$\kappa = n_2/n_1$ , when  $\kappa < 1$ ,  $\Gamma$  is an ellipsoid of revolution about the axis of direction  $y$ , denoted as  $e_{y,b}$

$$e_{y,b} = \left\{ \rho(x)x : \rho(x) = \frac{b}{1 - \kappa \langle y, x \rangle}, x \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}, \langle x, y \rangle \geq \kappa \right\}. \quad (29)$$

when  $\kappa > 1$ , by physics constraint  $\langle x, y \rangle > 1/k$ ,  $\Gamma$  is a the sheet with opening in direction  $y$  of a hyperboloid of revolution of two sheets about the axis of direction  $y$ ,

$$h_{y,b} = \left\{ \rho(x)x : \rho(x) = \frac{b}{\kappa \langle y, x \rangle - 1}, x \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}, \langle x, y \rangle \geq 1/\kappa \right\}. \quad (30)$$

## 引理 (Lemma)

Suppose  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  are the refractive indices of two media I and II respectively, and  $\kappa = n_2/n_1$ . The origin  $\mathcal{O}$  is in medium I,  $e_{y,b}$  and  $h_{y,b}$  are interface surface between media I and II, defined by (29) and (30) respectively, we have

if  $\kappa < 1$ , then  $e_{y,b}$  refracts all the rays emanating from the origin  $\mathcal{O}$  in medium I into rays in medium II with refraction direction  $y$ ;

if  $\kappa > 1$ , then  $h_{y,b}$  refracts all the rays emanating from the origin  $\mathcal{O}$  in medium I into rays in medium II with refraction direction  $y$ . □

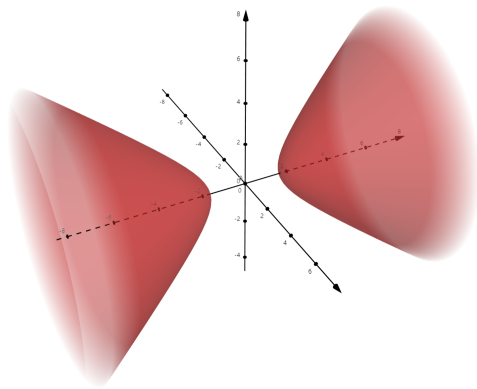


图: hyperboloid of revolution of two sheets.

## 定义 (Supporting Ellipsoid)

Suppose  $\rho \in C(\Omega)$  is a positive function, and

$\Gamma_\rho = \{x\rho(x) : x \in \Omega\}$  is the radial graph of  $\rho$ . Let  $e = e_{y,c}$  be an ellipsoid of revolution, its radial graph be  $\Gamma_e$ . If

$$\begin{cases} \rho(x_0) = e_{y,c}(x_0), \\ \rho(x) \leq e_{y,c}(x), \quad \forall x \in \Omega, \end{cases} \quad (31)$$

then we say  $\Gamma_e$  is a *supporting ellipsoid* of  $\rho$  at the point  $x_0\rho(x_0) \in \Gamma_\rho$ .

If the radial graph  $\Gamma_\rho$  has a supporting ellipsoid at every point, then we say  $\rho$  is *admissible*.

## 定义 (sub-differential)

Let  $\rho$  be an admissible function. We define a set-valued map  $\partial\rho : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2$ , the so-called *sub-differential*. For any  $x_0 \in \Omega$ ,  $\partial\rho(x_0)$  is the set of  $y_0$ 's, such that  $\exists c > 0$ ,  $e_{y_0,c}$  is the supporting ellipsoid of  $\rho$  at  $x_0$ ,

$$\partial\rho(x_0) := \{y_0 \in \mathbb{S}^2 : \exists c > 0, e_{y_0,c} \text{ supports } \rho \text{ at } x_0\}.$$

For any subset  $E \subset \Omega$ , we define

$$\partial\rho(E) = \bigcup_{x \in E} \partial\rho(x).$$



## 定义 (Generalized Alexandrov Measure)

Suppose  $\rho$  is an admissible function defined on  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{S}^2$ ,  $g \in L^1(\Omega^*)$  is a non-negative measurable function defined on  $\Omega^* \subset \mathbb{S}^2$ , the generalized Alexandrov measure induced by  $\rho$  and  $g$ , denoted as  $\mu_{\rho,g}$ , is defined as

$$\mu_{\rho,g}(E) = \int_{\partial\rho(E)} g(x) dx, \quad \forall \text{ Borel } E \subset \Omega. \quad (32)$$

## 定义 (Generalized Solution)

Given spherical measures  $f \in L^1(\Omega)$  and  $g \in L^1(\Omega^*)$ , such that  $\int_{\Omega} f dx = \int_{\Omega^*} g dy$ . Suppose  $\rho$  is a spherical admissible function. If the generalized Alexandrov measure induced by  $\rho$  satisfies  $\mu_{\rho,g} = f dx$ , namely

$$\int_E f = \int_{\partial\rho(E)} g, \quad \forall \text{ Borel } E \subset \Omega \quad (33)$$

furthermore, if  $\rho$  satisfies

$$\Omega^* \subset \partial\rho(\Omega), \quad |\{x \in \Omega : f(x) > 0 \text{ and } \partial\rho(x) - \overline{\Omega^*} \neq \emptyset\}| = 0, \quad (34)$$

then we say  $\rho$  is a generalized solution to the spherical Monge-Ampère equation with natural boundary condition.  $\square$

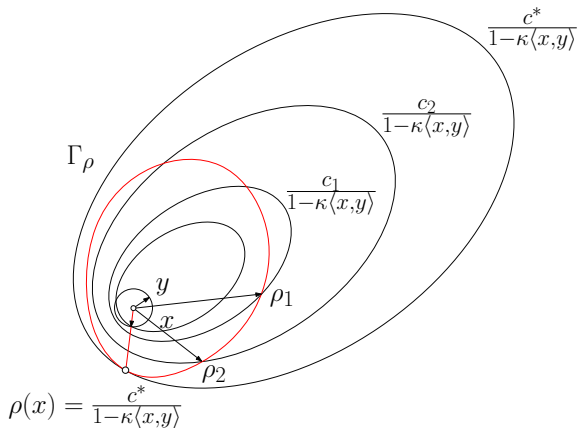


图: Generalized Legendre transform.

Among all ellipsoids  $e_{y,c}$ 's of revolution about the axis of direction  $y$  intersecting with  $\Gamma_\rho$ ,  $c \leq c^*$ . If  $\Gamma_\rho$  intersects  $e_{y,c}$  at  $\rho(x) = \frac{c}{1-\kappa\langle x,y \rangle}$ ,  $c = \rho(x)(1 - \kappa\langle x, y \rangle)$ , thus we obtain

$$c^*(y) = \sup_{x \in \Omega} \rho(x)(1 - \kappa\langle x, y \rangle) \iff \frac{1}{c^*(y)} = \inf_{x \in \Omega} \frac{1}{\rho(x)(1 - \kappa\langle x, y \rangle)}.$$

$1/c^*(y)$  is the function of  $y$ , denoted as  $\eta : \Omega^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ .

## 定义 (Generalized Legendre Transform)

Suppose  $\rho$  is an admissible function defined on  $\Omega$ . The generalized Legendre transform of  $\rho$  with respect to the function  $\frac{1}{1-\kappa\langle x, y \rangle}$  is a function  $\eta$  defined on the sphere  $\mathbb{S}^2$  上的函数  $\eta$ , given by

$$\eta(y) = \inf_{x \in \Omega} \frac{1}{\rho(x)(1 - \kappa\langle x, y \rangle)}. \quad \blacklozenge \quad (35)$$

Denote  $\Omega^* = \partial\rho(\Omega)$ . For any fixed point  $y_0 \in \Omega^*$ , (35) reaches the infimum at  $x_0 \in \Omega$ , then

$$\eta(y_0)\rho(x_0) = \frac{1}{1 - \kappa\langle x_0, y_0 \rangle}, \quad (36)$$

For arbitrary  $x \in \Omega$  and  $y \in \Omega^*$ ,

$$\rho(x)\eta(y) \leq \frac{1}{1 - \kappa\langle x, y \rangle}. \quad (37)$$

we have  $y_0 \in \partial\rho(x_0) \iff x_0 \in \partial\eta(y_0)$ .

Especially, the generalized Legendre transform of  $\eta$ , restricted on  $\Omega$ , is  $\rho$  itself,

$$\begin{aligned} \eta^{**} &= \eta, & (\partial\eta)^{-1} &= \partial\rho \\ \rho^{**} &= \rho, & (\partial\rho)^{-1} &= \partial\eta \end{aligned}$$

## 定理

Suppose  $\Omega$  and  $\Omega^*$  are domains in  $\mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ , the illumination intensity of the emanating ray lights is represented by a positive bounded function  $f(x)$  defined on  $\Omega$ , the illumination intensity of the refracted rays is represented by a positive bounded function  $g(y)$  on  $\overline{\Omega^*}$ . Suppose  $|\partial\Omega| = 0$  and satisfies the physical constraint

$$\inf_{x \in \Omega, y \in \Omega^*} \langle x, y \rangle \geq \kappa. \quad (38)$$

furthermore, assume the total energy is conserved

$$\int_{\Omega} f(x) dx = \int_{\Omega^*} g(y) dy > 0, \quad (39)$$

where  $dx, dy$  represent the Hausdorff measure on  $\mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ . Then for  $\kappa < 1$ , there exists a weak solution  $\Gamma_{\rho}$ , all such solutions  $\Gamma_{\rho}$ 's differ by a scaling.  $\square$

证明.

By the (DP) theorem in optimal transportation, there are a pair of functions  $(\phi, \psi)$ , unique up to a constant, maximizing the following energy

$$\sup\{I(u, v) : (u, v) \in K\},$$

where

$$I(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} f(x)u(x)dx + \int_{\Omega^*} v(y)g(y)dy,$$

$$K = \{(u, v) \in (C(\overline{\Omega}), C(\overline{\Omega^*})) : u(x) + v(y) \leq c(x, y), \forall x \in \Omega, y \in \Omega^*\},$$

$$c(x, y) = -\log(1 - \kappa\langle x, y \rangle),$$

where  $\langle x, y \rangle$  is the inner product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , such that  $\rho = e^{\phi}$  is the solution to the spherical Monge-Ampère equation with the natural boundary condition. □



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furthermore, assume the total energy is conserved

$$\int_{\Omega} f(x) dx = \int_{\Omega^*} g(y) dy > 0, \quad (41)$$

where  $dx, dy$  represent the Hausdorff measure on  $\mathbb{S}^{n-1}$ . Then for  $\kappa > 1$ , there exists a weak solution  $\Gamma_{\rho}$ , all such solutions  $\Gamma_{\rho}$ 's differ by a scaling. □

The proof is similar to the proof for the case of  $\kappa < 1$ , but the cost function is modified as

$$c(x, y) = -\log(\kappa\langle x, y \rangle - 1). \quad (42)$$

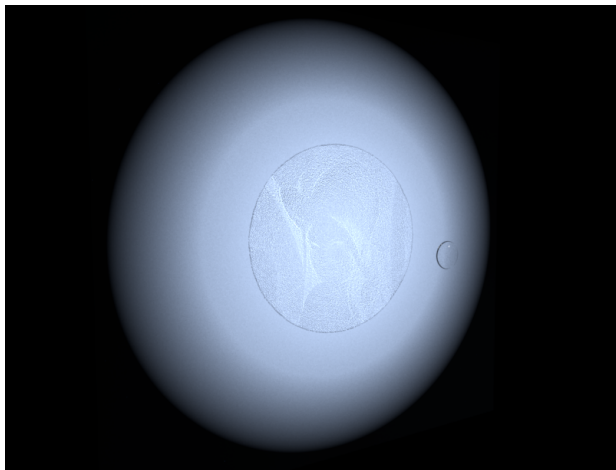


图: Reflector Design

1. Area-preserving Parameterization;
2. Minkowski Problem I;
3. Reflector Design;
4. Refractor Design  $\kappa < 1$ ;
5. Refractor Design  $\kappa > 1$ ;

Source measure  $(\Omega, \mu)$ , target measure  $(\Omega^*, \nu)$ , cost function  $c(x, y)$ , Kantorovich potential function  $(\varphi, \psi)$ , density function  $d\mu(x) = f(x)dx$ ,  $d\nu(y) = g(y)dy$ ,

$$\sup \left\{ \int_{\Omega} \varphi f + \int_{\Omega^*} \psi g : \varphi \oplus \psi \leq c \right\}$$

$$\psi(y) = \varphi^c, \quad \varphi(x) = \psi^{\bar{c}}$$

	cost $c(x, y)$	support $c(x, y) - \psi(y)$	potential $\varphi = \inf_y c(x, y) - \psi(y)$
1	$\langle x, y \rangle$	$\langle x, y \rangle - \psi(y)$	$\varphi(x) = \sup_y \langle x, y \rangle - \psi(y)$
2	$-\log \langle x, y \rangle$	$\frac{e^{-\psi(y)}}{\langle x, y \rangle}$	$\rho(x) = e^{\varphi(x)} = \inf_y \frac{e^{-\psi(y)}}{\langle x, y \rangle}$
3	$-\log(1 - \langle x, y \rangle)$	$\frac{e^{-\psi(y)}}{1 - \langle x, y \rangle}$	$\rho(x) = e^{\varphi(x)} = \inf_y \frac{e^{-\psi(y)}}{1 - \langle x, y \rangle}$
4	$-\log(1 - \kappa \langle x, y \rangle)$	$\frac{e^{-\psi(y)}}{1 - \kappa \langle x, y \rangle}$	$\rho(x) = e^{\varphi(x)} = \inf_y \frac{e^{-\psi(y)}}{1 - \kappa \langle x, y \rangle}$
5	$-\log(\kappa \langle x, y \rangle - 1)$	$\frac{e^{-\psi(y)}}{\kappa \langle x, y \rangle - 1}$	$\rho(x) = e^{\varphi(x)} = \inf_y \frac{e^{-\psi(y)}}{\kappa \langle x, y \rangle - 1}$

	map $\nabla_x c(x, T(x)) = \nabla \varphi(x)$	support $c(x, y) - \psi(y)$	Legendre Dual $\psi(y) = \inf_x c(x, y) - \varphi(x)$
1	$T(x) = \nabla \varphi(x)$	plane	$\psi(y) = \sup_x \langle x, y \rangle - \varphi(x)$
2	$T(x) = n(x)$	plane	$\eta(y) = e^{\psi(y)} = \inf_x \frac{e^{-\varphi(x)}}{\langle x, y \rangle}$
3	$T(x) = x - 2\langle x, n \rangle n$	paraboloid	$\eta(y) = e^{\psi(y)} = \inf_x \frac{e^{-\varphi(x)}}{1 - \langle x, y \rangle}$
4	$n(x) = \frac{x - \kappa T(x)}{ x - \kappa T(x) }$	ellipsoid	$\eta(y) = e^{\psi(y)} = \inf_x \frac{e^{-\varphi(x)}}{1 - \kappa \langle x, y \rangle}$
5	$n(x) = \frac{x - \kappa T(x)}{ x - \kappa T(x) }$	hyperboloid	$\eta(y) = e^{\psi(y)} = \inf_x \frac{e^{-\varphi(x)}}{\kappa \langle x, y \rangle - 1}$

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