# L ${ }^{2}$ Optimal Transport via Dual Convex Programming 

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Main ingredient for a 3 D version: compute the $\mathrm{L}^{2}$ optimal transport between the uniform measures $\nu$ on $N$ points in the plane and $\mu$ on a triangle.

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Aurenhammer, Hoffmann, Aronov '98

McCann, Gangbo 98


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$\nabla \Phi(w)$ is actually a subgradient, i.e. the function $\Phi$ is convex

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$f=1: \quad$ Power diagram, Fast intersection of polygons cgal

O'Rourke, Chien, Olson, Naddor '82
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Piecewise constant on pixels

Modification of Bresenham algorithm to compute exact pixel coverage


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## 2. Multiscale approach

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With a bit more work, this result implies the conclusion of the theorem.

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