# Lexicographic Fréchet Matching 

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Assume arc-length parametrization for $P$ and $Q$.

## PROBLEM STATEMENT:

Minimize the profile $\hat{f}$ of the distance function

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f(t)=\|P(\alpha(t))-Q(\beta(t))\|
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with respect to $\prec_{\text {lex }}$ under the constraints $\alpha^{\prime}(t), \beta^{\prime}(t) \leq 1$.

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While $A$ is in one cell (i.e., $O(n)$ times):
Search among new events: $O(\log n) \times$ feasibility $=O\left(n^{2} \log n\right)$ Search among old events: classical Fréchet $=O\left(n^{2} \log n\right)$
$\rightarrow$ Overall time $=O\left(n^{3} \log n\right)_{\text {naten }}$

## Other Normalizations

The sum of the speeds is $\leq 1$. ( $L_{1}$-norm)


## several critical passages



