
MISSO: Minimization by Incremental Stochastic Surrogate Optimization for Large Scale Nonconvex and Nonsmooth Problems

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Abstract

1 Many constrained, non-convex optimization problems can be tackled using the
2 Majorization-Minimization (MM) method which alternates between constructing
3 a surrogate function which upper bounds the objective function, and then mini-
4 mizing this surrogate. For problems which minimize a finite sum of functions,
5 a stochastic version of the MM method selects a batch of functions at random
6 at each iteration and optimizes the accumulated surrogate. However, in many
7 cases of interest such as variational inference for latent variable models, the sur-
8rogate functions are expressed as an expectation. In this contribution, we propose
9 a doubly stochastic MM method based on Monte Carlo approximation of these
10 stochastic surrogates. We establish asymptotic and non-asymptotic convergence
11 of our scheme in a constrained, non-convex, non-smooth optimization setting. We
12 apply our new framework for inference of logistic regression model with miss-
13 ing covariates and for variational inference of Bayesian variants of LeNet-5 and
14 Resnet-18 on respectively the MNIST and CIFAR-10 datasets.

15 1 Introduction

16 We consider the *constrained* minimization problem of a finite sum of functions:

$$\min_{\theta \in \Theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{L}_i(\theta), \quad (1)$$

17 where Θ is a convex, compact, and closed subset of \mathbb{R}^p , and for any $i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$, the function $\mathcal{L}_i : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded from below and is (possibly) non-convex and non-smooth.

19 To tackle the optimization problem (1), a popular approach is to apply the majorization-minimization
20 (MM) method which iteratively minimizes a majorizing surrogate function. A large number of ex-
21 isting procedures fall into this general framework, for instance gradient-based or proximal methods
22 or the Expectation-Maximization (EM) algorithm [McLachlan and Krishnan, 2008] and some vari-
23 ational Bayes inference techniques [Jordan et al., 1999]; see for example [Razaviyayn et al., 2013]
24 and [Lange, 2016] and the references therein. When the number of terms n in (1) is large, the
25 vanilla MM method may be intractable because it requires to construct a surrogate function for all
26 the n terms \mathcal{L}_i at each iteration. Here, a remedy is to apply the Minimization by Incremental Sur-
27 surrogate Optimization (MISO) method proposed by Mairal [2015], where the surrogate functions are
28 updated incrementally. The MISO method can be interpreted as a combination of MM and ideas
29 which have emerged for variance reduction in stochastic gradient methods [Schmidt et al., 2017].
30 An extended analysis of MISO has been proposed in [Qian et al., 2019].

31 The success of the MISO method rests upon the efficient minimization of surrogates such as convex
32 functions, see [Mairal, 2015, Section 2.3]. In many applications of interest, the natural surrogate

functions are intractable, yet they are defined as expectation of tractable functions. This for example the case for inference in latent variable models. Another application is variational inference, [Ghahramani, 2015], in which the goal is to approximate the posterior distribution of parameters given the observations; see for example [Neal, 2012, Blundell et al., 2015, Polson et al., 2017, Rezende et al., 2014, Li and Gal, 2017].

This paper fills the gap in the literature by proposing a new method called *Minimization by Incremental Stochastic Surrogate Optimization (MISSO)* which is designed for the finite sum optimization with a finite-time convergence guarantee. Our work aims to build the theory to understand the behavior for a *generic class* of incremental stochastic surrogate methods for nonconvex optimization. In particular, we provide convergence guarantees for stochastic EM and Variational Inference-type methods, under mild conditions. Our contributions can be summarized as follows.

- We propose a unifying framework of analysis for incremental stochastic surrogate optimization when the surrogates are defined by expectations of tractable functions. The proposed MISSO method is built on the Monte Carlo integration of the intractable surrogate function, *i.e.*, a doubly stochastic surrogate optimization scheme.
- We present an incremental update of the commonly used variational inference and Monte-Carlo EM methods as special cases of our newly introduced framework. The analysis of those two algorithms is thus done under this unifying framework of analysis.
- We establish both asymptotic and non-asymptotic convergence for the MISSO method. In particular, the MISSO method converges almost surely to a stationary point and in $\mathcal{O}(n/\epsilon)$ iterations to an ϵ -stationary point.

In Section 2, we review the techniques for incremental minimization of finite sum functions based on the MM principle; specifically, we review the MISO method as introduced in [Mairal, 2015], and present a class of surrogate functions expressed as an expectation over a latent space. The MISSO method is then introduced for the latter class of intractable surrogate functions requiring approximation. In Section 3, we provide the asymptotic and non-asymptotic convergence analysis for the MISSO method (and of the MISO [Mairal, 2015] one as a special case). Finally, Section 4 presents numerical applications to illustrate our findings including parameter inference for logistic regression with missing covariates and variational inference for two types of Bayesian neural networks.

Notations. We denote $\llbracket 1, n \rrbracket = \{1, \dots, n\}$. Unless otherwise specified, $\|\cdot\|$ denotes the standard Euclidean norm and $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$ is the inner product in Euclidean space. For any function $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f'(\theta, d)$ is the directional derivative of f at θ along the direction d , *i.e.*,

$$f'(\theta, d) := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(\theta + td) - f(\theta)}{t}. \quad (2)$$

The directional derivative is assumed to exist for the functions introduced throughout this paper.

2 Incremental Minimization of Finite Sum Non-convex Functions

The objective function in (1) is composed of a finite sum of possibly non-smooth and non-convex functions. A popular approach here is to apply the MM method. The MM method tackles (1) through alternating between two steps — (i) minimizing a *surrogate* function which upper bounds the original objective function; and (ii) updating the surrogate function to tighten the upper bound.

As mentioned in the Introduction, the MISO method proposed by Mairal [2015] is developed as an iterative scheme that only updates the surrogate functions *partially* at each iteration. Formally, for any $i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$, we consider a surrogate function $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta})$ which satisfies

S1. For all $i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$ and $\bar{\theta} \in \Theta$, the function $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta})$ is convex w.r.t. θ , and it holds

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}) \geq \mathcal{L}_i(\theta), \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta, \quad (3)$$

where the equality holds when $\theta = \bar{\theta}$.

S2. For any $\bar{\theta}_i \in \Theta$, $i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$ and some $\epsilon > 0$, the difference function $\hat{e}(\theta; \{\bar{\theta}_i\}_{i=1}^n) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}_i) - \mathcal{L}(\theta)$ is defined for all $\theta \in \Theta_\epsilon$ and differentiable for all $\theta \in \Theta$, where

78 $\Theta_\epsilon = \{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \inf_{\boldsymbol{\theta}' \in \Theta} \|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}'\| < \epsilon\}$ is an ϵ -neighborhood set of Θ . Moreover, for some constant
 79 L , the gradient satisfies

$$\|\nabla \hat{e}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \{\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_i\}_{i=1}^n)\|^2 \leq 2L \hat{e}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \{\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_i\}_{i=1}^n), \forall \boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta. \quad (4)$$

80 **S1** is a common condition used for surrogate optimization, see [Mairal, 2015, Section 2.3]. Mean-
 81 while, **S2** can be satisfied when the difference function $\hat{e}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \{\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_i\}_{i=1}^n)$ is L -smooth for all $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^d$,
 82 where the condition can be implied through applying [Razaviyayn et al., 2013, Proposition 1].

83 The inequality (3) implies $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \geq \mathcal{L}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) >$
 84 $-\infty$ for any $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta$. The MISO method is
 85 an incremental version of the MM method, as
 86 summarized by Algorithm 1. As seen in the
 87 pseudo code, the MISO method maintains an it-
 88 eratively updated set of surrogate upper-bound
 89 functions $\{\mathcal{A}_i^k(\boldsymbol{\theta})\}_{i=1}^n$ and updates the iterate
 90 through minimizing the average of the surro-
 91 gate functions.

92 Particularly, only one out of the n sur-
 93rogate functions is updated at each iter-
 94ation [cf. Line 5] and the sum function
 95 $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{A}_i^{k+1}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ is designed to be ‘easy to
 96 optimize’, for example, it can be a sum of
 97 quadratic functions. As such, the MISO method
 98 is suitable for large-scale optimization as the computation cost per iteration is independent of n .
 99 Moreover, under **S1**, **S2**, it was shown that the MISO method converges almost surely to a stationary
 100 point of (1) [Mairal, 2015, Prop. 3.1].

Algorithm 1 MISO method [Mairal, 2015]

- 1: **Input:** initialization $\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(0)}$.
- 2: Initialize the surrogate function as $\mathcal{A}_i^0(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(0)})$, $i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$.
- 3: **for** $k = 0, 1, \dots$ **do**
- 4: Pick i_k uniformly from $\llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$.
- 5: Update $\mathcal{A}_{i_k}^{k+1}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ as:

$$\mathcal{A}_{i_k}^{k+1}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \begin{cases} \hat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}), & \text{if } i = i_k \\ \mathcal{A}_{i_k}^k(\boldsymbol{\theta}), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- 6: Set $\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)} \in \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{A}_i^{k+1}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$.
 - 7: **end for**
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101 We now consider the case when the surrogate functions $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$ are intractable. Let \mathcal{Z} be a measur-
 102 able set, $p_i : \mathcal{Z} \times \Theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ be a pdf, $r_i : \Theta \times \Theta \times \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a measurable function and μ_i be a
 103 σ -finite measure, we consider surrogate functions which satisfy **S1**, **S2** that can be expressed as an
 104 expectation:

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) := \int_{\mathcal{Z}} r_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, z_i) p_i(z_i; \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_i(dz_i) \quad \forall (\boldsymbol{\theta}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \in \Theta \times \Theta. \quad (5)$$

105 Plugging (5) into the MISO method is not feasible since the update step in Step 6 involves a mini-
 106 mization of an expectation. Several motivating examples of (1) are given in Section 2.

107 We propose the *Minimization by Incremental Stochastic Surrogate Optimization* (MISSO) method
 108 which replaces the expectation in (5) by *Monte Carlo* integration and then optimizes (1) incremen-
 109 tally. Denote by $M \in \mathbb{N}$ the Monte Carlo batch size and let $z_m \in \mathcal{Z}$, $m = 1, \dots, M$ be a set of
 110 samples. These samples can be drawn (**Case 1**) i.i.d. from the distribution $p_i(\cdot; \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$ or (**Case 2**)
 111 from a Markov chain with the stationary distribution $p_i(\cdot; \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$; see Section 3 for illustrations. To this
 112 end, we define

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \{z_m\}_{m=1}^M) := \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M r_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, z_m), \quad (6)$$

113 and we summarize the proposed MISSO method in Algorithm 2. As seen, the procedure is similar
 114 to the MISO method but it involves two types of randomness. The first randomness comes from
 115 the selection of i_k in Line 5. The second randomness is that a set of Monte-Carlo approximated
 116 functions $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_i^k(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ is used in lieu of $\mathcal{A}_i^k(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ when optimizing for the next iterate $\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}$. We now discuss
 117 two applications of the MISSO method.

118 **Example 1: Maximum Likelihood Estimation for Latent Variable Model.** Latent variable mod-
 119 els [Bishop, 2006] are constructed by introducing unobserved (latent) variables which help explain
 120 the observed data. We consider n independent observations $((y_i, z_i), i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket)$ where y_i is observed
 121 and z_i is latent. In this incomplete data framework, define $\{f_i(z_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}), \boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta\}$ to be the complete
 122 data likelihood models, i.e., joint likelihood of the observations and latent variables. Let

$$g_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \int_{\mathcal{Z}} f_i(z_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_i), \quad i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$$

Algorithm 2 MISSO method

- 1: **Input:** initialization $\theta^{(0)}$; a sequence of non-negative numbers $\{M_{(k)}\}_{k=0}^\infty$.
- 2: For all $i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$, draw $M_{(0)}$ Monte-Carlo samples with the stationary distribution $p_i(\cdot; \theta^{(0)})$.
- 3: Initialize the surrogate function as

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_i^0(\theta) := \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \theta^{(0)}, \{z_{i,m}^{(0)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(0)}}), \quad i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket.$$

- 4: **for** $k = 0, 1, \dots$ **do**
- 5: Pick a function index i_k uniformly on $\llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$.
- 6: Draw $M_{(k)}$ Monte-Carlo samples with the stationary distribution $p_i(\cdot; \theta^{(k)})$.
- 7: Update the individual surrogate functions recursively as:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_i^{k+1}(\theta) = \begin{cases} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \theta^{(k)}, \{z_{i,m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}), & \text{if } i = i_k \\ \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_i^k(\theta), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- 8: Set $\theta^{(k+1)} \in \arg \min_{\theta \in \Theta} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\theta) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_i^{k+1}(\theta)$.
 - 9: **end for**
-

denote the incomplete data likelihood, *i.e.*, the marginal likelihood of the observations. For ease of notations, the dependence on the observations is made implicit. The maximum likelihood (ML) estimation problem takes $\mathcal{L}_i(\theta)$ to be the i th negated incomplete data log-likelihood $\mathcal{L}_i(\theta) := -\log g_i(\theta)$.

Assume without loss of generality that $g_i(\theta) \neq 0$ for all $\theta \in \Theta$, we define by $p_i(z_i, \theta) := f_i(z_i, \theta)/g_i(\theta)$ the conditional distribution of the latent variable z_i given the observation y_i . A surrogate function $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta})$ satisfying S1 can be obtained through writing $f_i(z_i, \theta) = \frac{f_i(z_i, \theta)}{p_i(z_i, \bar{\theta})} p_i(z_i, \bar{\theta})$ and applying the Jensen inequality:

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}) = \int_{\mathcal{Z}} \underbrace{\log(p_i(z_i, \bar{\theta})/f_i(z_i, \theta))}_{=r_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}, z_i)} p_i(z_i, \bar{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_i), \quad (7)$$

We note that S2 can also be verified for common distribution models. We can apply the MISSO method following the above specification of $r_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}, z_i), p_i(z_i, \bar{\theta})$.

Example 2: Variational Inference. Let $((x_i, y_i), i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket)$ be i.i.d. input-output pairs and $w \in \mathcal{W} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ be a latent variable. When conditioned on the input $x = (x_i, i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket)$, the joint distribution of $y = (y_i, i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket)$ and w is given by:

$$p(y, w|x) = \pi(w) \prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i|x_i, w). \quad (8)$$

Our goal is to compute the posterior distribution $p(w|y, x)$. In most cases, the posterior distribution $p(w|y, x)$ is intractable and is approximated using a family of parametric distributions, $\{q(w, \theta), \theta \in \Theta\}$. The variational inference (VI) problem [Blei et al., 2017] boils down to minimizing the KL divergence between $q(w, \theta)$ and the posterior distribution $p(w|y, x)$, as follows:

$$\min_{\theta \in \Theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta) := \text{KL}(q(w; \theta) || p(w|y, x)) := \mathbb{E}_{q(w; \theta)} [\log(q(w; \theta)/p(w|y, x))] . \quad (9)$$

Using (8), we decompose $\mathcal{L}(\theta) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{L}_i(\theta) + \text{const.}$ where:

$$\mathcal{L}_i(\theta) := -\mathbb{E}_{q(w; \theta)} [\log p(y_i|x_i, w)] + \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E}_{q(w; \theta)} [\log q(w; \theta)/\pi(w)] = r_i(\theta) + d(\theta) . \quad (10)$$

Directly optimizing the finite sum objective function in (9) can be difficult. First, with $n \gg 1$, evaluating the objective function $\mathcal{L}(\theta)$ requires a full pass over the entire dataset. Second, for some complex models, the expectations in (10) can be intractable even if we assume a simple parametric model for $q(w; \theta)$. Assume that \mathcal{L}_i is L-smooth, *i.e.*, \mathcal{L}_i is differentiable on Θ and its gradient $\nabla \mathcal{L}_i$ is L-Lipschitz. We apply the MISSO method with a quadratic surrogate function defined as:

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}) := \mathcal{L}_i(\bar{\theta}) + \langle \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}_i(\bar{\theta}) | \theta - \bar{\theta} \rangle + \frac{L}{2} \|\bar{\theta} - \theta\|^2 . \quad (11)$$

146 It is easily checked that $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta})$ satisfies S1, S2. To compute the gradient $\nabla \mathcal{L}_i(\bar{\theta})$, we apply the
 147 re-parametrization technique suggested in [Paisley et al., 2012, Kingma and Welling, 2014, Blundell
 148 et al., 2015]. Let $t : \mathbb{R}^d \times \Theta \mapsto \mathbb{R}^d$ be a differentiable function w.r.t. $\theta \in \Theta$ which is designed such
 149 that the law of $w = t(z, \theta)$, where $z \sim \mathcal{N}_d(0, \mathbf{I})$, is $q(\cdot, \bar{\theta})$. By [Blundell et al., 2015, Proposition 1],
 150 the gradient of $-r_i(\cdot)$ in (10) is:

$$\nabla_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{q(w; \bar{\theta})} [\log p(y_i | x_i, w)] = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim \mathcal{N}_d(0, \mathbf{I})} [\mathbf{J}_{\theta}^t(z, \bar{\theta}) \nabla_w \log p(y_i | x_i, w) \big|_{w=t(z, \bar{\theta})}] , \quad (12)$$

151 where for each $z \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $\mathbf{J}_{\theta}^t(z, \bar{\theta})$ is the Jacobian of the function $t(z, \cdot)$ with respect to θ evaluated at
 152 $\bar{\theta}$. In addition, for most cases, the term $\nabla d(\bar{\theta})$ can be evaluated in closed form.

$$r_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}, z) := \left\langle \nabla_{\theta} d(\bar{\theta}) - \mathbf{J}_{\theta}^t(z, \bar{\theta}) \nabla_w \log p(y_i | x_i, w) \big|_{w=t(z, \bar{\theta})} \mid \theta - \bar{\theta} \right\rangle + \frac{L}{2} \|\theta - \bar{\theta}\|^2 . \quad (13)$$

153 Finally, using (11) and (13), the surrogate function (6) is given by $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}, \{z_m\}_{m=1}^M) :=$
 154 $M^{-1} \sum_{m=1}^M r_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}, z_m)$ where $\{z_m\}_{m=1}^M$ is an i.i.d sample from $\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$.

155 3 Convergence Analysis

156 We provide non-asymptotic convergence bound for the MISSO method.

157 **H1.** For all $i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$, $\bar{\theta} \in \Theta$, $z_i \in \mathbf{Z}$, the measurable function $r_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}, z_i)$ is convex in θ and is
 158 lower bounded.

159 We are particularly interested in the *constrained optimization* setting where Θ is a bounded set. To
 160 this end, we control the supremum norm of the of the above approximation as:

161 **H2.** For the samples $\{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^M$, there exists finite constants C_r and C_{gr} such that

$$C_r := \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \sup_{M > 0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \mathbb{E}_{\bar{\theta}} \left[\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \left| \sum_{m=1}^M \left\{ r_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}, z_{i,m}) - \hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}) \right\} \right| \right]$$

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$$C_{gr} := \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \sup_{M > 0} \sqrt{M} \mathbb{E}_{\bar{\theta}} \left[\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \left| \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{\hat{\mathcal{L}}'_i(\theta, \theta - \bar{\theta}; \bar{\theta}) - r'_i(\theta, \theta - \bar{\theta}; \bar{\theta}, z_{i,m})}{\|\bar{\theta} - \theta\|} \right|^2 \right]$$

163 for all $i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$, and we denoted by $\mathbb{E}_{\bar{\theta}}[\cdot]$ the expectation w.r.t. a Markov chain $\{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^M$ with
 164 initial distribution $\xi_i(\cdot; \bar{\theta})$, transition kernel $P_{i, \bar{\theta}}$, and stationary distribution $p_i(\cdot; \bar{\theta})$.

165 **Some intuitions behind the controlling terms:** It is actually common in statistical and optimization
 166 problems, to deal with the manipulation and the control of random variables indexed by sets with
 167 an infinite number of elements. Here, the random variable we control is an image of a continuous
 168 function defined as $r_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}, z_{i,m}) - \hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta})$ for all $z \in \mathbf{Z}$ and for fixed $(\theta, \bar{\theta}) \in \Theta^2$. To characterize
 169 such control, we will have recourse to the notion of metric entropy (or bracketing number) as de-
 170 veloped in [Van der Vaart, 2000, Vershynin, 2018, Wainwright, 2019]. A collection of results from
 171 those books gives intuition behind our assumption H 2, which is classical in empirical processes. In
 172 [Vershynin, 2018, Theorem 8.2.3], the authors recall the uniform law of large numbers for a class of
 173 L -Lipschitz functions:

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \left| \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M f(z_{i,m}) - \mathbb{E}[f(z_i)] \right| \right] \leq \frac{CL}{\sqrt{M}} \quad \text{for all } z_{i,m}, i \in \llbracket 1, M \rrbracket .$$

174 Moreover, in [Vershynin, 2018, Theorem 8.1.3] and [Wainwright, 2019, Theorem 5.22], the appli-
 175 cation of the Dudley's inequality yields:

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} |X_f - X_0| \right] \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \int_0^1 \sqrt{\log \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}, \|\cdot\|_{\infty}, \varepsilon)} d\varepsilon ,$$

176 where $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}, \|\cdot\|_{\infty}, \varepsilon)$ is the bracketing number and ε denotes the level of approximation (the brack-
 177 eting number goes to infinity when $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$). Finally, in [Van der Vaart, 2000, p.271, Example],

178 $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}, \|\cdot\|_\infty, \varepsilon)$ is bounded from above for a class of parametric functions $\mathcal{F} = f_\theta : \theta \in \Theta$ on a
 179 bounded set $\Theta \subset \mathbb{R}$:

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}, \|\cdot\|_\infty, \varepsilon) \leq K \left(\frac{\text{diam } \Theta}{\varepsilon} \right)^d, \quad \text{every } 0 < \varepsilon < \text{diam } \Theta.$$

180 The authors acknowledge that those bounds are a dramatic manifestation of the curse of dimension-
 181 ality happening when sampling is needed. Nevertheless, the dependence on the dimension highly
 182 depends on the class of surrogate functions \mathcal{F} used in our scheme, as smaller bounds on these con-
 183 trolling terms can be derived for simpler class, such as quadratic functions.

184 **Stationarity measure.** As problem (1) is a constrained optimization, we consider the following
 185 stationarity measure:

$$g(\bar{\theta}) := \inf_{\theta \in \Theta} \frac{\mathcal{L}'(\bar{\theta}, \theta - \bar{\theta})}{\|\bar{\theta} - \theta\|} \quad \text{and} \quad g(\bar{\theta}) = g_+(\bar{\theta}) - g_-(\bar{\theta}), \quad (14)$$

186 where $g_+(\bar{\theta}) := \max\{0, g(\bar{\theta})\}$, $g_-(\bar{\theta}) := -\min\{0, g(\bar{\theta})\}$ denote the positive and negative part of
 187 $g(\bar{\theta})$, respectively. Note that $\bar{\theta}$ is a stationary point if and only if $g_-(\bar{\theta}) = 0$ [Fletcher et al., 2002].
 188 Also, denote

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\theta) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}), \quad \hat{e}^{(k)}(\theta) := \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\theta) - \mathcal{L}(\theta), \quad \bar{M}_{(k)} = \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} M_{(k)}^{-1/2}. \quad (15)$$

189 We first establish a non-asymptotic convergence rate for the MISSO method using a random termi-
 190 nation number K as in [Ghadimi and Lan, 2013]:

191 **Theorem 1.** Under S1, S2, H1, H2. For any $K_{\max} \in \mathbb{N}$, let K be an independent discrete r.v. drawn
 192 uniformly from $\{0, \dots, K_{\max} - 1\}$ and define the following quantity:

$$\Delta_{(K_{\max})} := 2nL\mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(0)}(\theta^{(0)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(K_{\max})}(\theta^{(K_{\max})})] + 4LC_r\bar{M}_{(k)}.$$

193 Then we have following non-asymptotic bounds:

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \hat{e}^{(K)}(\theta^{(K)})\|^2] \leq \frac{\Delta_{(K_{\max})}}{K_{\max}} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{E}[g_-(\theta^{(K)})] \leq \sqrt{\frac{\Delta_{(K_{\max})}}{K_{\max}}} + \frac{C_{\text{gr}}}{K_{\max}} \bar{M}_{(k)}. \quad (16)$$

194 Note that $\Delta_{(K_{\max})}$ is finite for any $K_{\max} \in \mathbb{N}$. As expected, the MISSO method converges to a sta-
 195 tionary point of (1) asymptotically and at a sublinear rate $\mathbb{E}[g_-(\theta^{(K)})] \leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{1/K_{\max}})$. Furthermore, we
 196 remark that the MISO method can be analyzed in Theorem 1 as a special case of the MISSO method
 197 satisfying $C_r = C_{\text{gr}} = 0$. In this case, while the asymptotic convergence is well known from [Mairal,
 198 2015] [cf. H2], Eq. (16) gives a non-asymptotic rate of $\mathbb{E}[g_-(\theta^{(K)})] \leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{nL/K_{\max}})$ which is new to
 199 our best knowledge. Next, we show that under an additional assumption on the sequence of batch
 200 size $M_{(k)}$, the MISSO method converges almost surely to a stationary point:

201 **Theorem 2.** Under S1, S2, H1, H2. In addition, assume that $\{M_{(k)}\}_{k \geq 0}$ is a non-decreasing
 202 sequence of integers which satisfies $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} M_{(k)}^{-1/2} < \infty$. Then:

- 203 1. the negative part of the stationarity measure converges a.s. to zero, i.e., $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} g_-(\theta^{(k)}) \stackrel{a.s.}{=} 0$.
- 204 2. the objective value $\mathcal{L}(\theta^{(k)})$ converges a.s. to a finite number $\underline{\mathcal{L}}$, i.e., $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}(\theta^{(k)}) \stackrel{a.s.}{=} \underline{\mathcal{L}}$.

205 In particular, the first result above shows that the sequence $\{\theta^{(k)}\}_{k \geq 0}$ produced by the MISSO
 206 method satisfies an asymptotic stationary point condition.

207 4 Numerical Experiments

208 4.1 Binary logistic regression with missing values

209 This application follows Example 1 described in Section 2. We consider a binary regression setup,
 210 $((y_i, z_i), i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket)$ where $y_i \in \{0, 1\}$ is a binary response and $z_i = (z_{i,j} \in \mathbb{R}, j \in \llbracket p \rrbracket)$ is a covariate
 211 vector. The vector of covariates $z_i = [z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}]$ is not fully observed where we denote by $z_{i,\text{mis}}$
 212 the missing values and $z_{i,\text{obs}}$ the observed covariate. It is assumed that $(z_i, i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket)$ are i.i.d. and

marginally distributed according to $\mathcal{N}(\beta, \Omega)$ where $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$ and Ω is a positive definite $p \times p$ matrix. We define the conditional distribution of the observations y_i given $z_i = (z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}})$ as:

$$p_i(y_i|z_i) = S(\delta^\top \bar{z}_i)^{y_i} (1 - S(\delta^\top \bar{z}_i))^{1-y_i}, \quad (17)$$

where for $u \in \mathbb{R}$, $S(u) = 1/(1+e^{-u})$, $\delta = (\delta_0, \dots, \delta_p)$ are the logistic parameters and $\bar{z}_i = (1, z_i)$. Here, $\theta = (\delta, \beta, \Omega)$ is the parameter to estimate. For $i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket$, the complete log-likelihood reads:

$$\log f_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \theta) \propto y_i \delta^\top \bar{z}_i - \log(1 + \exp(\delta^\top \bar{z}_i)) - \frac{1}{2} \log(|\Omega|) + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\Omega^{-1}(z_i - \beta)(z_i - \beta)^\top).$$

Fitting a logistic regression model on the TraumaBase dataset: We apply the MISSO method to fit a logistic regression model on the TraumaBase (<http://traumabase.eu>) dataset, which consists of data collected from 15 trauma centers in France, covering measurements on patients from the initial to last stage of trauma. Extended implementation details are given in Appendix D.1.3.

Similar to [Jiang et al., 2018], we select $p = 16$ influential quantitative measurements, described in Appendix D.1.1, on $n = 6384$ patients, and we adopt the logistic regression model with missing covariates in (17) to predict the risk of a severe hemorrhage which is one of the main cause of death after a major trauma. For the Monte-Carlo sampling of $z_{i,\text{mis}}$, required while running MISSO, we run a Metropolis Hastings algorithm with the target distribution $p(\cdot|z_{i,\text{obs}}, y_i; \theta^{(k)})$.

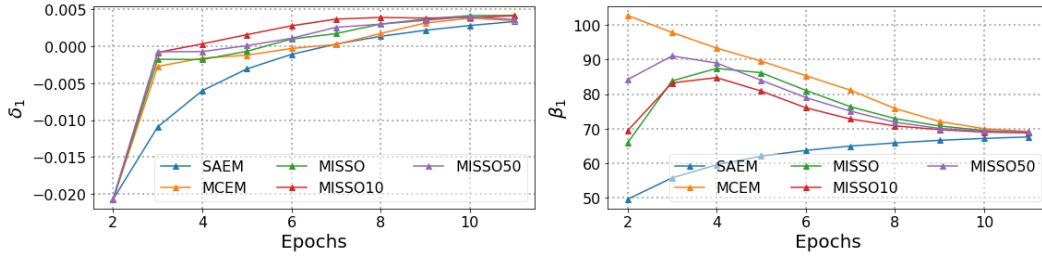


Figure 1: Convergence of first component of the vector of parameters δ and β for the SAEM, the MCEM and the MISSO methods. The convergence is plotted against No. of passes over the data.

We compare in Figure 1 the convergence behavior of the estimated parameters δ and β using SAEM [Delyon et al., 1999] (with stepsize $\gamma_k = 1/k$), MCEM [Wei and Tanner, 1990] and the proposed MISSO method. For the MISSO method, we set the batch size to $M_{(k)} = 10 + k^2$ and we examine with selecting different number of functions in Line 5 in the method – the default settings with 1 (MISSO), 10% (MISSO10) and 50% (MISSO50) minibatches per iteration. From Figure 1, the MISSO method converges to a static value with less number of epochs than the MCEM, SAEM methods. It is worth noting that the difference among the MISSO runs for different number of selected functions demonstrates a variance-cost tradeoff.

4.2 Training Bayesian CNN using MISSO

This application follows Example 2 described in Section 2. We use variational inference and the ELBO loss (10) to fit Bayesian Neural Networks on different datasets. At iteration k , minimizing the sum of stochastic surrogates defined as in (6) and (13) yields the following MISSO update — step (i) pick a function index i_k uniformly on $\llbracket n \rrbracket$; step (ii) sample a Monte Carlo batch $\{z_m^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}$ from $\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$; and step (iii) update the parameters, with $\tilde{w} = t(\theta^{(k-1)}, z_m^{(k)})$, as

$$\mu_\ell^{(k)} = \hat{\mu}_\ell^{(\tau^k)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i_k}^{(k)} = -\frac{1}{M_{(k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}} \nabla_w \log p(y_{i_k} | x_{i_k}, \tilde{w}) + \nabla_{\mu_\ell} d(\theta^{(k-1)}),$$

where $\hat{\mu}_\ell^{(\tau^k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_\ell^{(\tau_i^k)}$ and $d(\theta) = n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^d (-\log(\sigma) + (\sigma^2 + \mu_\ell^2)/2 - 1/2)$.

Bayesian LeNet-5 on MNIST [LeCun et al., 1998]: We apply the MISSO method to fit a Bayesian variant of LeNet-5 [LeCun et al., 1998] (see Appendix D.2.1). We train this network on the MNIST dataset [LeCun, 1998]. The training set is composed of $n = 55\,000$ handwritten digits, 28×28 images. Each image is labelled with its corresponding number (from zero to nine). Under the prior distribution π , see (8), the weights are assumed independent and identically distributed according to

246 $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$. We also assume that $q(\cdot; \theta) \equiv \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$. The variational posterior parameters are thus
 247 $\theta = (\mu, \sigma)$ where $\mu = (\mu_\ell, \ell \in \llbracket d \rrbracket)$ where d is the number of weights in the neural network. We
 248 use the re-parametrization as $w = t(\theta, z) = \mu + \sigma z$ with $z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$.

249 **Bayesian ResNet-18 [He et al., 2016] on CIFAR-10 [Krizhevsky et al., 2012]:** We train here the
 250 Bayesian variant of the ResNet-18 neural network (see Appendix D.2.2) introduced in [He et al.,
 251 2016] on CIFAR-10. The latter dataset is composed of $n = 60\,000$ handwritten digits, 32×32
 252 colour images in 10 classes, with 6 000 images per class. As in the previous example, the weights
 253 are assumed independent and identically distributed according to $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$. The source code used as
 254 a backbone here can be found in the TensorFlow Probability Github repo where the default hyperpa-
 255 rameters, such as the annealing constant or the number of MC samples, were used for the benchmark
 256 methods. For better efficiency and lower variance, the Flipout estimator [Wen et al., 2018] is used.

257 **Experiment Results:** We compare the convergence of the *Monte Carlo variants* of the following
 258 state of the art optimization algorithms — the ADAM [Kingma and Ba, 2015], the Momentum
 259 [Sutskever et al., 2013] and the SAG [Schmidt et al., 2017] methods versus the *Bayes by Backprop*
 260 (BBB) [Blundell et al., 2015] and our proposed MISSO method. For all these methods, the loss func-
 261 tion (10) and its gradients were computed by Monte Carlo integration using Tensorflow Probability
 262 library [Dillon et al., 2017], based on the re-parametrization described above. Update rules for each
 263 algorithm are performed using their vanilla implementations on TensorFlow [Abadi et al., 2015] as
 264 detailed in Appendix D.2.3. We use the following hyperparameters for all runs — the learning rate
 265 is 10^{-3} , we run 100 epochs with a mini-batch size of 128 and use the batchsize of $M_{(k)} = k$.

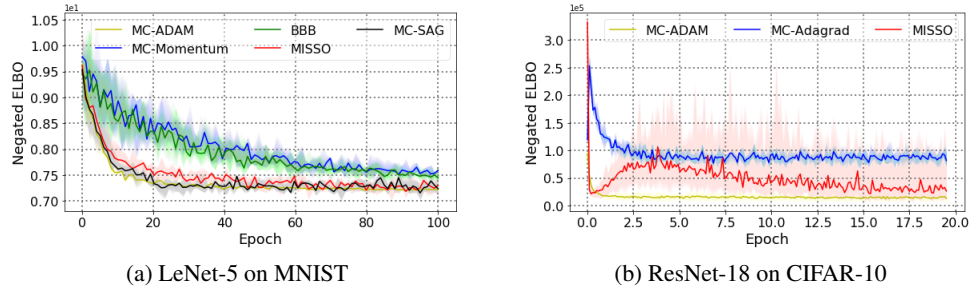


Figure 2: Negated ELBO versus epochs elapsed for fitting (a) Bayesian LeNet-5 on MNIST and (b) Bayesian ResNet-18 on CIFAR-10. The solid curve is obtained from averaging over 5 independent runs of the methods, and the shaded area represents the standard deviation.

266 Figure 2(a) shows the convergence of the negated evidence lower bound against the number of passes
 267 over data (one pass represents an epoch). As observed, the proposed MISSO method outperforms
 268 *Bayes by Backprop* and Momentum, while similar convergence rates are observed with the MISSO,
 269 ADAM and SAG methods for our experiment on MNIST dataset using a Bayesian variant of LeNet-
 270 5. On the other hand, the experiment conducted on CIFAR-10 (Figure 2(b)) using a much larger
 271 network, *i.e.*, a Bayesian variant of ResNet-18 (see Table 2) showcases the need of a well-tuned
 272 adaptive methods to reach better training loss (and also faster). Our MISSO method is similar to
 273 the Monte Carlo variant of ADAM but slower than built-in TF optimizer Adagrad. Recall that the
 274 purpose of this paper is to provide a common class of optimizers, such as VI, in order to study their
 275 convergence behaviors, and not to introduce a novel method outperforming the baselines methods.
 276 Figure 2(b) also highlights high variance of the MISSO estimator which would then benefit from
 277 variance reduction methods, being for now just an incremental one. We leave that research direction
 278 open for the sake of clarity of our paper.

279 5 Conclusion

280 We present a unifying framework for minimizing a non-convex finite-sum objective function using
 281 incremental surrogates when the latter functions are expressed as an expectation and are intractable.
 282 Our approach covers a large class of non-convex applications in machine learning such as logistic
 283 regression with missing values and variational inference. We provide both finite-time and asymp-
 284 totic guarantees of our incremental stochastic surrogate optimization technique and illustrate our
 285 findings training a binary logistic regression with missing covariates to predict hemorrhagic shock
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376 A Proof of Theorem 1

377 **Theorem.** Under S1, S2, H1, H2. For any $K_{\max} \in \mathbb{N}$, let K be an independent discrete r.v. drawn
 378 uniformly from $\{0, \dots, K_{\max} - 1\}$ and define the following quantity:

$$\Delta_{(K_{\max})} := 2nL\mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(0)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(0)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(K_{\max})}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K_{\max})})] + \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} \frac{4LC_r}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}},$$

379 Then we have following non-asymptotic bounds:

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})\|^2] \leq \frac{\Delta_{(K_{\max})}}{K_{\max}}, \quad \mathbb{E}[g_{-}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})] \leq \sqrt{\frac{\Delta_{(K_{\max})}}{K_{\max}}} + \frac{C_{gr}}{K_{\max}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} M_{(k)}^{-1/2}.$$

380 **Proof** We begin by recalling the definition

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_i^k(\boldsymbol{\theta}).$$

381 Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_i^{k+1})}, \{z_{i,m}^{(\tau_i^{k+1})}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^{k+1})}}) \\ &= \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \frac{1}{n} (\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) - \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}})). \end{aligned}$$

382 Furthermore, we recall that

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_i^k)}), \quad \hat{\mathcal{e}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}).$$

383 Due to S2, we have

$$\|\nabla \hat{\mathcal{e}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^2 \leq 2L\hat{\mathcal{e}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}). \quad (18)$$

384 To prove the first bound in (16), using the optimality of $\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}$, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) &\leq \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \\ &= \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \frac{1}{n} (\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) - \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}})) \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

385 Let \mathcal{F}_k be the filtration of random variables up to iteration k , i.e., $\{i_{\ell-1}, \{z_{i_{\ell-1},m}^{(\ell-1)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\ell-1)}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\ell)}\}_{\ell=1}^k$.

386 We observe that the conditional expectation evaluates to

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbb{E}_{i_k} [\mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) | \mathcal{F}_k, i_k] | \mathcal{F}_k] \\ &= \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \mathbb{E}_{i_k} [\mathbb{E}[\frac{1}{M_{(k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}} r_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, z_{i_k,m}^{(k)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) | \mathcal{F}_k, i_k] | \mathcal{F}_k] \\ &\leq \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \frac{C_r}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}}, \end{aligned}$$

387 where the last inequality is due to H2. Moreover,

$$\mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}}) | \mathcal{F}_k] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_i^k)}, \{z_{i,m}^{(\tau_i^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}}) = \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}).$$

388 Taking the conditional expectations on both sides of (19) and re-arranging terms give:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \leq n\mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) | \mathcal{F}_k] + \frac{C_r}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}} \quad (20)$$

389 Proceeding from (20), we observe the following lower bound for the left hand side

$$\begin{aligned}
& \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \stackrel{(a)}{=} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \\
& \stackrel{(b)}{\geq} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \frac{1}{2L} \|\nabla \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^2 \\
& = \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} r_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_i^k)}, z_{i,m}^{(\tau_i^k)}) - \hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_i^k)}) \right\}}_{:= -\delta^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})} + \frac{1}{2L} \|\nabla \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^2
\end{aligned}$$

390 where (a) is due to $\hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) = 0$ [cf. S1], (b) is due to (18) and we have defined the summation in
391 the last equality as $-\delta^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})$. Substituting the above into (20) yields

$$\frac{\|\nabla \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^2}{2L} \leq n \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) | \mathcal{F}_k] + \frac{C_r}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}} + \delta^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \quad (21)$$

392 Observe the following upper bound on the total expectations:

$$\mathbb{E}[\delta^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})] \leq \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{C_r}{\sqrt{M_{(\tau_i^k)}}}\right],$$

393 which is due to H2. It yields

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^2] \leq 2nL \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)})] + \frac{2LC_r}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{2LC_r}{\sqrt{M_{(\tau_i^k)}}}\right]$$

394 Finally, for any $K_{\max} \in \mathbb{N}$, we let K be a discrete r.v. that is uniformly drawn from $\{0, 1, \dots, K_{\max} -$
395 $1\}$. Using H2 and taking total expectations lead to

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})\|^2] &= \frac{1}{K_{\max}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} \mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^2] \\
&\leq \frac{2nL \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(0)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(0)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(K_{\max})}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K_{\max})})]}{K_{\max}} + \frac{2LC_r}{K_{\max}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{M_{(\tau_i^k)}}}\right]
\end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

396 For all $i \in [1, n]$, the index i is selected with a probability equal to $\frac{1}{n}$ when conditioned indepen-
397 dently on the past. We observe:

$$\mathbb{E}[M_{(\tau_i^k)}^{-1/2}] = \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{j-1} M_{(k-j)}^{-1/2} \quad (23)$$

398 Taking the sum yields:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} \mathbb{E}[M_{(\tau_i^k)}^{-1/2}] &= \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{j-1} M_{(k-j)}^{-1/2} = \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} \sum_{l=0}^{k-1} \frac{1}{n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{k-(l+1)} M_{(l)}^{-1/2} \\
&= \sum_{l=0}^{K_{\max}-1} M_{(l)}^{-1/2} \sum_{k=l+1}^{K_{\max}-1} \frac{1}{n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{k-(l+1)} \leq \sum_{l=0}^{K_{\max}-1} M_{(l)}^{-1/2}
\end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

399 where the last inequality is due to upper bounding the geometric series. Plugging this back into (22)
400 yields

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})\|^2] &= \frac{1}{K_{\max}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} \mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \hat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^2] \\
&\leq \frac{2nL \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(0)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(0)}) - \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(K_{\max})}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K_{\max})})]}{K_{\max}} + \frac{1}{K_{\max}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} \frac{4LC_r}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}} = \frac{\Delta_{(K_{\max})}}{K_{\max}}.
\end{aligned}$$

401 This concludes our proof for the first inequality in (16).

402 To prove the second inequality of (16), we define the shorthand notations $g^{(k)} := g(\theta^{(k)})$, $g_-^{(k)} :=$
 403 $-\min\{0, g^{(k)}\}$, $g_+^{(k)} := \max\{0, g^{(k)}\}$. We observe that

$$\begin{aligned} g^{(k)} &= \inf_{\theta \in \Theta} \frac{\mathcal{L}'(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)})}{\|\theta^{(k)} - \theta\|} \\ &= \inf_{\theta \in \Theta} \left\{ \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_i(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)}; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)})}{\|\theta^{(k)} - \theta\|} - \frac{\langle \nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\theta^{(k)}) | \theta - \theta^{(k)} \rangle}{\|\theta^{(k)} - \theta\|} \right\} \\ &\geq -\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\theta^{(k)})\| + \inf_{\theta \in \Theta} \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_i(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)}; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)})}{\|\theta^{(k)} - \theta\|} \end{aligned}$$

404 where the last inequality is due to the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and we have defined
 405 $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_i(\theta, d; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)})$ as the directional derivative of $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\cdot; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)})$ at θ along the direction d . Moreover,
 406 for any $\theta \in \Theta$,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_i(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)}; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}) \\ &= \underbrace{\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)'}(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)'}(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)})}_{\geq 0} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_i(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)}; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_i(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)}; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}) - \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} r'_i(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)}; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}, z_{i,m}^{(\tau_i^k)}) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

407 where the inequality is due to the optimality of $\theta^{(k)}$ and the convexity of $\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\theta)$ [cf. H1]. Denoting
 408 a scaled version of the above term as:

$$\epsilon^{(k)}(\theta) := \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} r'_i(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)}; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}, z_{i,m}^{(\tau_i^k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_i(\theta^{(k)}, \theta - \theta^{(k)}; \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}) \right\}}{\|\theta^{(k)} - \theta\|}.$$

409 We have

$$g^{(k)} \geq -\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\theta^{(k)})\| + \inf_{\theta \in \Theta} (-\epsilon^{(k)}(\theta)) \geq -\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\theta^{(k)})\| - \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} |\epsilon^{(k)}(\theta)|. \quad (25)$$

410 Since $g^{(k)} = g_+^{(k)} - g_-^{(k)}$ and $g_+^{(k)} g_-^{(k)} = 0$, this implies

$$g_-^{(k)} \leq \|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\theta^{(k)})\| + \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} |\epsilon^{(k)}(\theta)|. \quad (26)$$

411 Consider the above inequality when $k = K$, i.e., the random index, and taking total expectations on
 412 both sides gives

$$\mathbb{E}[g_-^{(K)}] \leq \mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(K)}(\theta^{(K)})\|] + \mathbb{E}[\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \epsilon^{(K)}(\theta)]$$

413 We note that

$$\left(\mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(K)}(\theta^{(K)})\|] \right)^2 \leq \mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(K)}(\theta^{(K)})\|^2] \leq \frac{\Delta(K_{\max})}{K_{\max}},$$

414 where the first inequality is due to the convexity of $(\cdot)^2$ and the Jensen's inequality, and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \epsilon^{(K)}(\theta)] &= \frac{1}{K_{\max}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}} \mathbb{E}[\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \epsilon^{(k)}(\theta)] \stackrel{(a)}{\leq} \frac{C_{\text{gr}}}{K_{\max}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n M_{(\tau_i^k)}^{-1/2}\right] \\ &\stackrel{(b)}{\leq} \frac{C_{\text{gr}}}{K_{\max}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} M_{(k)}^{-1/2} \end{aligned}$$

415 where (a) is due to H2 and (b) is due to (24). This implies

$$\mathbb{E}[g_-^{(K)}] \leq \sqrt{\frac{\Delta(K_{\max})}{K_{\max}}} + \frac{C_{\text{gr}}}{K_{\max}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\max}-1} M_{(k)}^{-1/2},$$

416 and concludes the proof of the theorem. \square

B Proof of Theorem 2

Theorem. Under S1, S2, H1, H2. In addition, assume that $\{M_{(k)}\}_{k \geq 0}$ is a non-decreasing sequence of integers which satisfies $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} M_{(k)}^{-1/2} < \infty$. Then:

1. the negative part of the stationarity measure converges almost surely to zero, i.e., $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} g_{-}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) = 0$ a.s..
2. the objective value $\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})$ converges almost surely to a finite number $\underline{\mathcal{L}}$, i.e., $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) = \underline{\mathcal{L}}$ a.s..

Proof We apply the following auxiliary lemma which proof can be found in Appendix C for the readability of the current proof:

Lemma 1. Let $(V_k)_{k \geq 0}$ be a non negative sequence of random variables such that $\mathbb{E}[V_0] < \infty$. Let $(X_k)_{k \geq 0}$ a non negative sequence of random variables and $(E_k)_{k \geq 0}$ be a sequence of random variables such that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[|E_k|] < \infty$. If for any $k \geq 1$:

$$V_k \leq V_{k-1} - X_{k-1} + E_{k-1} \quad (27)$$

then:

(i) for all $k \geq 0$, $\mathbb{E}[V_k] < \infty$ and the sequence $(V_k)_{k \geq 0}$ converges a.s. to a finite limit V_{∞} .

(ii) the sequence $(\mathbb{E}[V_k])_{k \geq 0}$ converges and $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[V_k] = \mathbb{E}[V_{\infty}]$.

(iii) the series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} X_k$ converges almost surely and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[X_k] < \infty$.

We proceed from (19) by re-arranging terms and observing that

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) &\leq \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \frac{1}{n} (\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})) \\ &\quad - (\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)})) + (\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n} (\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_k, m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n} (\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}, \{z_{i_k, m}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}})) \end{aligned}$$

Our idea is to apply Lemma 1. Under S1, the finite sum of surrogate functions $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$, defined in (15), is lower bounded by a constant $c_k > -\infty$ for any $\boldsymbol{\theta}$. To this end, we observe that

$$V_k := \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \inf_{k \geq 0} c_k \geq 0 \quad (28)$$

is a non-negative random variable.

Secondly, under H1, the following random variable is non-negative

$$X_k := \frac{1}{n} (\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})) \geq 0. \quad (29)$$

Thirdly, we define

$$\begin{aligned} E_k &= -(\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)})) + (\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n} (\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_k, m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n} (\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}, \{z_{i_k, m}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}})). \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Note that from the definitions (28), (29), (30), we have $V_{k+1} \leq V_k - X_k + E_k$ for any $k \geq 1$.

Under H2, we observe that

$$\mathbb{E}[|\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_k, m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})|] \leq C_r M_{(k)}^{-1/2}$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\left| \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}, \{z_{i_k, m}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}}) \right| \right] \leq C_r \mathbb{E} \left[M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}^{-1/2} \right]$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left[|\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})| \right] \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n C_r \mathbb{E} \left[M_{(\tau_i^k)}^{-1/2} \right]$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbb{E} [|E_k|] \leq \frac{C_r}{n} \left(M_{(k)}^{-1/2} + \mathbb{E} \left[M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}^{-1/2} + \sum_{i=1}^n \{ M_{(\tau_i^k)}^{-1/2} + M_{(\tau_{i+1}^k)}^{-1/2} \} \right] \right)$$

Using (24) and the assumption on the sequence $\{M_{(k)}\}_{k \geq 0}$, we obtain that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E} [|E_k|] < \frac{C_r}{n} (2 + 2n) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} M_{(k)}^{-1/2} < \infty.$$

Therefore, the conclusions in Lemma 1 hold. Precisely, we have $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} X_k < \infty$ and

$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E} [X_k] < \infty$ almost surely. Note that this implies

$$\begin{aligned} \infty &> \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E} [X_k] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E} [\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E} [\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E} [\widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})] \end{aligned}$$

Since $\widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \geq 0$, the above implies

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) = 0 \quad \text{a.s.} \quad (31)$$

and subsequently applying (18), we have $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\| = 0$ almost surely. Finally, it follows from (18) and (26) that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} g_-^{(k)} \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{2L} \sqrt{\widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})} + \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} |\epsilon^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})| = 0, \quad (32)$$

where the last equality holds almost surely due to the fact that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E} [\sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} |\epsilon^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})|] < \infty$. This concludes the asymptotic convergence of the MISSO method.

Finally, we prove that $\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})$ converges almost surely. As a consequence of Lemma 1, it is clear that $\{V_k\}_{k \geq 0}$ converges almost surely and so is $\{\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\}_{k \geq 0}$, i.e., we have $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) = \underline{\mathcal{L}}$. Applying (31) implies that

$$\underline{\mathcal{L}} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \quad \text{a.s.}$$

This shows that $\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})$ converges almost surely to $\underline{\mathcal{L}}$. \square

C Proof of Lemma 1

Lemma. Let $(V_k)_{k \geq 0}$ be a non negative sequence of random variables such that $\mathbb{E}[V_0] < \infty$. Let $(X_k)_{k \geq 0}$ a non negative sequence of random variables and $(E_k)_{k \geq 0}$ be a sequence of random variables such that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[|E_k|] < \infty$. If for any $k \geq 1$:

$$V_k \leq V_{k-1} - X_{k-1} + E_{k-1}$$

then:

- (i) for all $k \geq 0$, $\mathbb{E}[V_k] < \infty$ and the sequence $(V_k)_{k \geq 0}$ converges a.s. to a finite limit V_{∞} .
- (ii) the sequence $(\mathbb{E}[V_k])_{k \geq 0}$ converges and $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[V_k] = \mathbb{E}[V_{\infty}]$.
- (iii) the series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} X_k$ converges almost surely and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[X_k] < \infty$.

464 **Proof** We first show that for all $k \geq 0$, $\mathbb{E}[V_k] < \infty$. Note indeed that:

$$0 \leq V_k \leq V_0 - \sum_{j=1}^k X_j + \sum_{j=1}^k E_j \leq V_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k E_j \quad (33)$$

465 showing that $\mathbb{E}[V_k] \leq \mathbb{E}[V_0] + \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{j=1}^k E_j\right] < \infty$.

466 Since $0 \leq X_k \leq V_{k-1} - V_k + E_k$ we also obtain for all $k \geq 0$, $\mathbb{E}[X_k] < \infty$. Moreover, since
 467 $\mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |E_j|\right] < \infty$, the series $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j$ converges a.s. We may therefore define:

$$W_k = V_k + \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} E_j \quad (34)$$

468 Note that $\mathbb{E}[|W_k|] \leq \mathbb{E}[V_k] + \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} |E_j|\right] < \infty$. For all $k \geq 1$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} W_k &\leq V_{k-1} - X_k + \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} E_j \leq W_{k-1} - X_k \leq W_{k-1} \\ \mathbb{E}[W_k] &\leq \mathbb{E}[W_{k-1}] - \mathbb{E}[X_k] \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

469 Hence the sequences $(W_k)_{k \geq 0}$ and $(\mathbb{E}[W_k])_{k \geq 0}$ are non increasing. Since for all $k \geq 0$, $W_k \geq$
 470 $-\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |E_j| > -\infty$ and $\mathbb{E}[W_k] \geq -\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[|E_j|] > -\infty$, the (random) sequence $(W_k)_{k \geq 0}$
 471 converges a.s. to a limit W_{∞} and the (deterministic) sequence $(\mathbb{E}[W_k])_{k \geq 0}$ converges to a limit w_{∞} .
 472 Since $|W_k| \leq V_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |E_j|$, the Fatou lemma implies that:

$$\mathbb{E}[\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} |W_k|] = \mathbb{E}[|W_{\infty}|] \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[|W_k|] \leq \mathbb{E}[V_0] + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[|E_j|] < \infty \quad (36)$$

473 showing that the random variable W_{∞} is integrable.

474 In the sequel, set $U_k \triangleq W_0 - W_k$. By construction we have for all $k \geq 0$, $U_k \geq 0$, $U_k \leq U_{k+1}$ and
 475 $\mathbb{E}[U_k] \leq \mathbb{E}[|W_0|] + \mathbb{E}[|W_k|] < \infty$ and by the monotone convergence theorem, we get:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[U_k] = \mathbb{E}[\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} U_k] \quad (37)$$

476 Finally, we have:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[U_k] = \mathbb{E}[W_0] - w_{\infty} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{E}[\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} U_k] = \mathbb{E}[W_0] - \mathbb{E}[W_{\infty}] \quad (38)$$

477 showing that $\mathbb{E}[W_{\infty}] = w_{\infty}$ and concluding the proof of (ii). Moreover, using (35) we have that
 478 $W_k \leq W_{k-1} - X_k$ which yields:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} X_j &\leq W_0 - W_{\infty} < \infty \\ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[X_j] &\leq \mathbb{E}[W_0] - w_{\infty} < \infty \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

479 which concludes the proof of the lemma. \square

480 D Details about the Numerical Experiments

481 D.1 Binary Logistic Regression on the Traumabase

482 D.1.1 Traumabase quantitative variables

483 The list of the 16 quantitative variables we use in our experiments are as follows — *age, weight,*
 484 *height, BMI (Body Mass Index), the Glasgow Coma Scale, the Glasgow Coma Scale motor com-*
 485 *ponent, the minimum systolic blood pressure, the minimum diastolic blood pressure, the maximum*
 486 *number of heart rate (or pulse) per unit time (usually a minute), the systolic blood pressure at ar-*
 487 *rival of ambulance, the diastolic blood pressure at arrival of ambulance, the heart rate at arrival*
 488 *of ambulance, the capillary Hemoglobin concentration, the oxygen saturation, the fluid expansion*
 489 *colloids, the fluid expansion cristalloids, the pulse pressure for the minimum value of diastolic and*
 490 *systolic blood pressure, the pulse pressure at arrival of ambulance.*

491 D.1.2 Metropolis Hastings algorithm

492 During the simulation step of the MISSO method, the sampling from the target distribution
 493 $\pi(z_{i,\text{mis}}; \theta) := p(z_{i,\text{mis}} | z_{i,\text{obs}}, y_i; \theta)$ is performed using a Metropolis Hastings (MH) algorithm
 494 [Meyn and Tweedie, 2012] with proposal distribution $q(z_{i,\text{mis}}; \delta) := p(z_{i,\text{mis}} | z_{i,\text{obs}}; \delta)$ where
 495 $\theta = (\beta, \Omega)$ and $\delta = (\xi, \Sigma)$. The parameters of the Gaussian conditional distribution of $z_{i,\text{mis}} | z_{i,\text{obs}}$
 496 read:

$$\begin{aligned}\xi &= \beta_{\text{mis}} + \Omega_{\text{mis},\text{obs}} \Omega_{\text{obs},\text{obs}}^{-1} (z_{i,\text{obs}} - \beta_{\text{obs}}) , \\ \Sigma &= \Omega_{\text{mis},\text{mis}} + \Omega_{\text{mis},\text{obs}} \Omega_{\text{obs},\text{obs}}^{-1} \Omega_{\text{obs},\text{mis}}\end{aligned}$$

497 where we have used the Schur Complement of $\Omega_{\text{obs},\text{obs}}$ in Ω and noted β_{mis} (resp. β_{obs}) the missing
 498 (resp. observed) elements of β . The MH algorithm is summarized in Algorithm 3.

Algorithm 3 MH algorithm

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1: Input: initialization  $z_{i,\text{mis},0} \sim q(z_{i,\text{mis}}; \delta)$ 
2: for  $m = 1, \dots, M$  do
3:   Sample  $z_{i,\text{mis},m} \sim q(z_{i,\text{mis}}; \delta)$ 
4:   Sample  $u \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 1])$ 
5:   Calculate the ratio  $r = \frac{\pi(z_{i,\text{mis},m}; \theta) / q(z_{i,\text{mis},m}; \delta)}{\pi(z_{i,\text{mis},m-1}; \theta) / q(z_{i,\text{mis},m-1}; \delta)}$ 
6:   if  $u < r$  then
7:     Accept  $z_{i,\text{mis},m}$ 
8:   else
9:      $z_{i,\text{mis},m} \leftarrow z_{i,\text{mis},m-1}$ 
10:  end if
11: end for
12: Output:  $z_{i,\text{mis},M}$ 

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499 D.1.3 MISSO Update

500 **Choice of surrogate function for MISO:** We recall the MISO deterministic surrogate defined in
 501 (7):

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}) = \int_{\mathcal{Z}} \log(p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \bar{\theta}) / f_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \theta)) p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \bar{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_i) .$$

502 where $\theta = (\delta, \beta, \Omega)$ and $\bar{\theta} = (\bar{\delta}, \bar{\beta}, \bar{\Omega})$. We adapt it to our missing covariates problem and decom-
 503 pose the the surrogate function defined above into an observed and a missing part.

504 **Surrogate function decomposition** We adapt it to our missing covariates problem and decompose
 505 the term depending on θ , while $\bar{\theta}$ is fixed, in two following parts leading to

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \bar{\theta}) &= - \int_{\mathbf{Z}} \log f_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}, \theta) p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \bar{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_{i,\text{mis}}) \\
 &= - \int_{\mathbf{Z}} \log [p_i(y_i | z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}, \delta) p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \beta, \Omega)] p_i(z_i, \bar{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_{i,\text{mis}}) \\
 &= \underbrace{- \int_{\mathbf{Z}} \log p_i(y_i | z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}, \delta) p_i(z_i, \bar{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_{i,\text{mis}})}_{=\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(1)}(\delta, \bar{\theta})} - \underbrace{\int_{\mathbf{Z}} \log p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \beta, \Omega) p_i(z_i, \bar{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_{i,\text{mis}})}_{=\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega, \bar{\theta})}
 \end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

506 The mean β and the covariance Ω of the latent structure can be estimated minimizing the sum of
 507 MISSO surrogates $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega, \bar{\theta}, \{z_m\}_{m=1}^M)$, defined as MC approximation of $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega, \bar{\theta})$, for all
 508 $i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket$, in closed-form expression.

509 We thus keep the surrogate $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega, \bar{\theta})$ as it is, and consider the following quadratic approximation
 510 of $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(1)}(\delta, \bar{\theta})$ to estimate the vector of logistic parameters δ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(1)}(\bar{\delta}, \bar{\theta}) &- \int_{\mathbf{Z}} \nabla \log p_i(y_i | z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}, \delta) \big|_{\delta=\bar{\delta}} p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \bar{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_{i,\text{mis}}) (\delta - \bar{\delta}) \\
 &- (\delta - \bar{\delta})/2 \int_{\mathbf{Z}} \nabla^2 \log p_i(y_i | z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}, \delta) p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \bar{\theta}) p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \bar{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_{i,\text{mis}}) (\delta - \bar{\delta})^\top
 \end{aligned}$$

511 Recall that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla \log p_i(y_i | z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}, \delta) &= z_i (y_i - S(\delta^\top z_i)) \\
 \nabla^2 \log p_i(y_i | z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}, \delta) &= -z_i z_i^\top \dot{S}(\delta^\top z_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

512 where $\dot{S}(u)$ is the derivative of $S(u)$. Note that $\dot{S}(u) \leq 1/4$ and since, for all $i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket$, the $p \times p$
 513 matrix $z_i z_i^\top$ is semi-definite positive we can assume:

514 **L1.** For all $i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket$ and $\epsilon > 0$, there exist, for all $z_i \in \mathbf{Z}$, a positive definite matrix $H_i(z_i) :=$
 515 $\frac{1}{4}(z_i z_i^\top + \epsilon I_d)$ such that for all $\delta \in \mathbb{R}^p$, $-z_i z_i^\top \dot{S}(\delta^\top z_i) \leq H_i(z_i)$.

516 Then, we use, for all $i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket$, the following surrogate function to estimate δ :

$$\bar{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(1)}(\delta, \bar{\theta}) = \hat{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(1)}(\bar{\delta}, \bar{\theta}) - D_i^\top (\delta - \bar{\delta}) + \frac{1}{2} (\delta - \bar{\delta}) H_i (\delta - \bar{\delta})^\top \tag{41}$$

517 where:

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_i &= \int_{\mathbf{Z}} \nabla \log p_i(y_i | z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}, \delta) \big|_{\delta=\bar{\delta}} p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \bar{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_{i,\text{mis}}) \\
 H_i &= \int_{\mathbf{Z}} H_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}) p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \bar{\theta}) \mu_i(dz_{i,\text{mis}})
 \end{aligned}$$

518 Finally, at iteration k , the total surrogate is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\theta) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta, \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M(\tau_i^k)}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega, \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M(\tau_i^k)}) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{D}_i^{(\tau_i^k)} (\delta - \delta^{(\tau_i^k)}) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\delta - \delta^{(\tau_i^k)}) \left\{ \tilde{H}_i^{(\tau_i^k)} \right\} (\delta - \delta^{(\tau_i^k)})^\top
 \end{aligned} \tag{42}$$

519 where for all $i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket$:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{D}_i^{(\tau_i^k)} &= \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} z_{i,m}^{(\tau_i^k)} \left(y_i - S(\left(\delta^{(\tau_i^k)} \right)^\top z_{i,m}^{(\tau_i^k)}) \right) \\ \tilde{H}_i^{(\tau_i^k)} &= \frac{1}{4M_{(\tau_i^k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} z_{i,m}^{(\tau_i^k)} (z_{i,m}^{(\tau_i^k)})^\top\end{aligned}$$

520 Minimizing the total surrogate (42) boils down to performing a quasi-Newton step. It is perhaps sen-
521 sible to apply some diagonal loading which is perfectly compatible with the surrogate interpretation
522 we just gave.

523 The logistic parameters are estimated as follows:

$$\delta^{(k)} = \arg \min_{\delta \in \Theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(1)}(\delta, \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}})$$

524 where $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(1)}(\delta, \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}})$ is the MC approximation of the MISO surrogate defined in
525 (41) and which leads to the following quasi-Newton step:

$$\delta^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta^{(\tau_i^k)} - (\tilde{H}^{(k)})^{-1} \tilde{D}^{(k)}$$

526 with $\tilde{D}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{D}_i^{(\tau_i^k)}$ and $\tilde{H}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{H}_i^{(\tau_i^k)}$.

527 **MISSO updates:** At the k -th iteration, and after the initialization, for all $i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket$, of the latent
528 variables $(z_i^{(0)})$, the MISSO algorithm consists in picking an index i_k uniformly on $\llbracket n \rrbracket$, complet-
529 ing the observations by sampling a Monte Carlo batch $\{z_{i_k, \text{mis}, m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}$ of missing values from the
530 conditional distribution $p(z_{i_k, \text{mis}} | z_{i_k, \text{obs}}, y_{i_k}; \theta^{(k-1)})$ using an MCMC sampler and computing the
531 estimated parameters as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\beta^{(k)} &= \arg \min_{\beta \in \Theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega^{(k)}, \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} z_{i,m}^{(k)} \\ \Omega^{(k)} &= \arg \min_{\Omega \in \Theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta^{(k)}, \Omega, \theta^{(\tau_i^k)}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}} w_{i,m}^{(k)} \\ \delta^{(k)} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta^{(\tau_i^k)} - (\tilde{H}^{(k)})^{-1} \tilde{D}^{(k)}.\end{aligned}\tag{43}$$

532 where $z_{i,m}^{(k)} = (z_{i, \text{mis}, m}^{(k)}, z_{i, \text{obs}})$ is composed of a simulated and an observed part, $\tilde{D}^{(k)} =$
533 $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{D}_i^{(\tau_i^k)}$, $\tilde{H}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{H}_i^{(\tau_i^k)}$ and $w_{i,m}^{(k)} = z_{i,m}^{(k)} (z_{i,m}^{(k)})^\top - \beta^{(k)} (\beta^{(k)})^\top$. Be-
534 sides, $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(1)}(\beta, \Omega, \bar{\theta}, \{z_m\}_{m=1}^M)$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega, \bar{\theta}, \{z_m\}_{m=1}^M)$ are defined as MC approximation of
535 $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(1)}(\beta, \Omega, \bar{\theta})$ and $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega, \bar{\theta})$, for all $i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket$ as components of the surrogate function (40).

536 D.2 Incremental Variational Inference

537 D.2.1 Bayesian LeNet-5 Architecture

538 We describe in Table 1 the architecture of the Convolutional Neural Network introduced in [LeCun
539 et al., 1998] and trained on MNIST:

layer type	width	stride	padding	input shape	nonlinearity
convolution (5×5)	6	1	0	$1 \times 32 \times 32$	ReLU
max-pooling (2×2)		2	0	$6 \times 28 \times 28$	
convolution (5×5)	6	1	0	$1 \times 14 \times 14$	ReLU
max-pooling (2×2)		2	0	$16 \times 10 \times 10$	
fully-connected	120			400	ReLU
fully-connected	84			120	ReLU
fully-connected	10			84	

Table 1: LeNet-5 architecture

540 D.2.2 Bayesian ResNet-18 Architecture

541 We describe in Table 2 the architecture of the Resnet-18 we train on CIFAR-10:

layer type	Output Size	ResNet-18	nonlinearity
conv1	$112 \times 112 \times 64$	$7 \times 7, 64$, stride 2	ReLU
conv2x	$56 \times 56 \times 64$	$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \times 3, 64 \\ 3 \times 3, 64 \end{pmatrix} \times 2$	ReLU
conv3x	$28 \times 28 \times 128$	$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \times 3, 128 \\ 3 \times 3, 128 \end{pmatrix} \times 2$	ReLU
conv4x	$14 \times 14 \times 256$	$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \times 3, 256 \\ 3 \times 3, 256 \end{pmatrix} \times 2$	ReLU
conv5x	$7 \times 7 \times 512$	$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \times 3, 512 \\ 3 \times 3, 512 \end{pmatrix} \times 2$	ReLU
average pool	$1 \times 1 \times 512$	7×7 average pool	ReLU
fully connected	1000	512×1000 fully connections	
softmax	1000		

Table 2: ResNet-18 architecture

542 D.2.3 Algorithms updates

543 First, we initialize the means $\mu_\ell^{(0)}$ for $\ell \in \llbracket d \rrbracket$ and variance estimates $\sigma^{(0)}$. At iteration k , minimizing
544 the sum of stochastic surrogates defined as in (6) and (13) yields the following MISSO update —
545 **step (i)** pick a function index i_k uniformly on $\llbracket n \rrbracket$; **step (ii)** sample a Monte Carlo batch $\{z_m^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M(k)}$
546 from $\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$; and **step (iii)** update the parameters as

$$\mu_\ell^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_\ell^{(\tau_i^k)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma^{(\tau_i^k)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i}^{(k)}, \quad (44)$$

547 where we define the following gradient terms for all $i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket$:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i}^{(k)} &= -\frac{1}{M(k)} \sum_{m=1}^{M(k)} \nabla_w \log p(y_i | x_i, w) \Big|_{w=t(\theta^{(k-1)}, z_m^{(k)})} + \nabla_{\mu_\ell} d(\theta^{(k-1)}), \\ \hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i}^{(k)} &= -\frac{1}{M(k)} \sum_{m=1}^{M(k)} z_m^{(k)} \nabla_w \log p(y_i | x_i, w) \Big|_{w=t(\theta^{(k-1)}, z_m^{(k)})} + \nabla_{\sigma} d(\theta^{(k-1)}). \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

548 For all benchmark algorithms, we pick, at iteration k , a function index i_k uniformly on $\llbracket n \rrbracket$ and
549 sample a Monte Carlo batch $\{z_m^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M(k)}$ from the standard Gaussian distribution. The updates of the
550 parameters μ_ℓ for all $\ell \in \llbracket d \rrbracket$ and σ break down as follows:

551 **Monte Carlo SAG update:** Set

$$\mu_\ell^{(k)} = \mu_\ell^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^{(k)} = \sigma^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i}^{(k)},$$

552 where $\hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i}^{(k)} = \hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i}^{(k-1)}$ and $\hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i}^{(k)} = \hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i}^{(k-1)}$ for $i \neq i_k$ and are defined by (45) for $i = i_k$. The learning
 553 rate is set to $\gamma = 10^{-3}$.

554 **Bayes By Backprop update:** Set

$$\mu_\ell^{(k)} = \mu_\ell^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i_k}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^{(k)} = \sigma^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i_k}^{(k)},$$

555 where the learning rate $\gamma = 10^{-3}$.

556 **Monte Carlo Momentum update:** Set

$$\mu_\ell^{(k)} = \mu_\ell^{(k-1)} + \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^{(k)} = \sigma^{(k-1)} + \hat{\mathbf{v}}_\sigma^{(k)},$$

557 where

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}_{\mu_\ell, i}^{(k)} = \alpha \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i_k}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\mathbf{v}}_\sigma^{(k)} = \alpha \hat{\mathbf{v}}_\sigma^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i_k}^{(k)},$$

558 where α and γ , respectively the momentum and the learning rates, are set to 10^{-3} .

559 **Monte Carlo ADAM update:** Set

$$\mu_\ell^{(k)} = \mu_\ell^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{\mathbf{m}}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k)} / (\sqrt{\hat{\mathbf{m}}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k)}} + \epsilon) \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^{(k)} = \sigma^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{\mathbf{m}}_\sigma^{(k)} / (\sqrt{\hat{\mathbf{m}}_\sigma^{(k)}} + \epsilon),$$

560 where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{m}}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k)} &= \mathbf{m}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k-1)} / (1 - \rho_1^k) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{m}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k)} = \rho_1 \mathbf{m}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k-1)} + (1 - \rho_1) \hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i_k}^{(k)}, \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k)} &= \mathbf{v}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k-1)} / (1 - \rho_2^k) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{v}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k)} = \rho_2 \mathbf{v}_{\mu_\ell}^{(k-1)} + (1 - \rho_2) (\hat{\delta}_{\mu_\ell, i_k}^{(k)})^2 \end{aligned}$$

561 and

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{m}}_\sigma^{(k)} &= \mathbf{m}_\sigma^{(k-1)} / (1 - \rho_1^k) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{m}_\sigma^{(k)} = \rho_1 \mathbf{m}_\sigma^{(k-1)} + (1 - \rho_1) \hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i_k}^{(k)}, \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}}_\sigma^{(k)} &= \mathbf{v}_\sigma^{(k-1)} / (1 - \rho_2^k) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{v}_\sigma^{(k)} = \rho_2 \mathbf{v}_\sigma^{(k-1)} + (1 - \rho_2) (\hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i_k}^{(k)})^2. \end{aligned}$$

562 The hyperparameters are set as follows: $\gamma = 10^{-3}$, $\rho_1 = 0.9$, $\rho_2 = 0.999$, $\epsilon = 10^{-8}$.