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

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Abstract

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

5 1 Introduction

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

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

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

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

The success of the MISO method rests upon the efficient minimization of surrogates such as convex functions, see [Mairal, 2015, Section 2.3]. In many applications of interest, the natural surrogate 33 functions are intractable, yet they are defined as expectation of tractable functions. This for exam-34 ple the case for inference in latent variable models. Another application is variational inference, 35 [Ghahramani, 2015], in which the goal is to approximate the posterior distribution of parameters 36 given the observations; see for example [Neal, 2012, Blundell et al., 2015, Polson et al., 2017, 37 Rezende et al., 2014, Li and Gal, 2017]. 38

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 40 with a finite-time convergence guarantee. 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 $[1, n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$. Unless otherwise specified, $\|\cdot\|$ denotes the standard 60 Euclidean norm and $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$ is the inner product in Euclidean space. For any function $f: \Theta \to \mathbb{R}$, $f'(\theta, d)$ is the directional derivative of f at θ along the direction d, i.e.,

$$f'(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{d}) := \lim_{t \to 0^+} \frac{f(\boldsymbol{\theta} + t\boldsymbol{d}) - f(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{t} . \tag{2}$$

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

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 67 the original objective function; and (ii) updating the surrogate function to tighten the upper bound. 68

As mentioned in the Introduction, the MISO method proposed by Mairal [2015] is developed as an 69 iterative scheme that only updates the surrogate functions partially at each iteration. Formally, for 70 any $i \in [1, n]$, we consider a surrogate function $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \overline{\theta})$ which satisfies 71

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

$$\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \ge \mathcal{L}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}), \ \forall \ \boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta \ ,$$
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where the equality holds when $\theta = \overline{\theta}$.

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

76 $\Theta_{\epsilon} = \{ \boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \inf_{\boldsymbol{\theta}' \in \Theta} \|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}'\| < \epsilon \}$ is an ϵ -neighborhood set of Θ . Moreover, for some constant t, the gradient satisfies

$$\|\nabla \widehat{e}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \{\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_i\}_{i=1}^n)\|^2 \le 2L\widehat{e}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \{\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_i\}_{i=1}^n), \ \forall \ \boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta.$$
 (4)

78 S1 is a common condition used for surrogate optimization, see [Mairal, 2015, Section 2.3]. Mean-79 while, S2 can be satisfied when the difference function $\widehat{e}(\theta; \{\overline{\theta}_i\}_{i=1}^n)$ is L-smooth for all $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d$, where the condition can be implied through applying [Razaviyayn et al., 2013, Proposition 1].

The inequality (3) implies $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \overline{\theta}) \geq \mathcal{L}_i(\theta) > -\infty$ for any $\theta \in \Theta$. The MISO method is an incremental version of the MM method, as summarized by Algorithm 1. As seen in the pseudo code, the MISO method maintains an iteratively updated set of surrogate upper-bound functions $\{\mathcal{A}_i^k(\theta)\}_{i=1}^n$ and updates the iterate through minimizing the average of the surrogate functions.

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Particularly, only one out of the n surgate functions is updated at each iteration [cf. Line 5] and the sum function $\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\mathcal{A}_{i}^{k+1}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ is designed to be 'easy to optimize', for example, it can be a sum of quadratic functions. As such, the MISO method

Algorithm 1 MISO method [Mairal, 2015]

1: **Input:** initialization $\theta^{(0)}$.

2: Initialize the surrogate function as $A_i^0(\theta) := \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \theta^{(0)}), i \in [1, n].$

3: **for** k = 0, 1, ... **do**

4: Pick i_k uniformly from [1, n].

5: Update $A_i^{k+1}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ as:

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

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**

is suitable for large-scale optimization as the computation cost per iteration is independent of n.
 Moreover, under S1, S2, it was shown that the MISO method converges almost surely to a stationary point of (1) [Mairal, 2015, Proposition 3.1].

We now consider the case when the surrogate functions $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$ are intractable. Let Z be a measurable set, $p_i: \mathsf{Z} \times \Theta \to \mathbb{R}_+$ be a pdf, $r_i: \Theta \times \Theta \times \mathsf{Z} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a measurable function and μ_i be a σ -finite measure, we consider surrogate functions which satisfy S1, S2 that can be expressed as an expectation:

$$\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) := \int_{\overline{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}} r_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, z_{i}) p_{i}(z_{i}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_{i}(dz_{i}) \quad \forall \ (\boldsymbol{\theta}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \in \Theta \times \Theta \ . \tag{5}$$

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

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

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

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

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

$$g_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \int_{\mathbf{Z}} f_i(z_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \mu_i(\mathrm{d}z_i), \ i \in [1, n]$$
 (9)

Algorithm 2 MISSO method

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

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{A}}_{i}^{0}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(0)}, \{z_{i,m}^{(0)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}), \ i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket \ . \tag{7}$$

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

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{A}}_{i}^{k+1}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \begin{cases} \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i,m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}), & \text{if } i = i_{k} \\ \widetilde{\mathcal{A}}_{i}^{k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
(8)

- 8: Set $\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)} \in \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \widetilde{\mathcal{A}}_{i}^{k+1}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$.
- 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 $\mathcal{L}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ to be the ith negated incomplete data log-likelihood $\mathcal{L}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := -\log g_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})$.

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 $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \overline{\theta})$ satisfying S1 can be obtained through writing $f_i(z_i, \theta) = \frac{f_i(z_i, \theta)}{p_i(z_i, \overline{\theta})} p_i(z_i, \overline{\theta})$ and applying the Jensen inequality:

$$\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \int_{\mathsf{Z}} \underbrace{\log \left(p_{i}(z_{i}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) / f_{i}(z_{i}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \right)}_{=r_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, z_{i})} p_{i}(z_{i}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_{i}(\mathrm{d}z_{i}) , \qquad (10)$$

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

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

$$p(y, w|x) = \pi(w) \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(y_i|x_i, w)$$
 (11)

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:

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Omega} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \mathrm{KL}\left(q(w; \boldsymbol{\theta}) || p(w|y, x)\right) := \mathbb{E}_{q(w; \boldsymbol{\theta})}\left[\log\left(q(w; \boldsymbol{\theta}) / p(w|y, x)\right)\right]. \tag{12}$$

Using (11), we decompose $\mathcal{L}(\theta) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{L}_i(\theta) + \mathrm{const.}$ where:

$$\mathcal{L}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := -\mathbb{E}_{q(w;\boldsymbol{\theta})} \left[\log p(y_{i}|x_{i}, w) \right] + \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E}_{q(w;\boldsymbol{\theta})} \left[\log q(w;\boldsymbol{\theta}) / \pi(w) \right] = r_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + d(\boldsymbol{\theta}) . \tag{13}$$

Directly optimizing the finite sum objective function in (12) can be difficult. First, with $n\gg 1$, evaluating the objective function $\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ requires a full pass over the entire dataset. Second, for some complex models, the expectations in (13) can be intractable even if we assume a simple parametric model for $q(w;\boldsymbol{\theta})$. 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:

$$\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) := \mathcal{L}_{i}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) + \left\langle \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \mathcal{L}_{i}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \,|\, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right\rangle + \frac{L}{2} \|\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}\|^{2} \,. \tag{14}$$

144 It is easily checked that $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$ satisfies S1, S2.

To compute the gradient $\nabla \mathcal{L}_i(\overline{\theta})$, we apply the re-parametrization technique suggested in [Paisley et al., 2012, Kingma and Welling, 2014, Blundell et al., 2015]. Let $t : \mathbb{R}^d \times \Theta \to \mathbb{R}^d$ be a differen-

tiable function w.r.t. $\theta \in \Theta$ which is designed such that the law of $w = t(z, \overline{\theta})$, where $z \sim \mathcal{N}_d(0, \mathbf{I})$,

is $q(\cdot, \overline{\theta})$. By [Blundell et al., 2015, Proposition 1], the gradient of $-r_i(\cdot)$ in (13) is:

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \mathbb{E}_{q(w;\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}})} \left[\log p(y_i|x_i, w) \right] = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim \mathcal{N}_d(0, \mathbf{I})} \left[J_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^t(z, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \nabla_w \log p(y_i|x_i, w) \Big|_{w = t(z, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}})} \right], \tag{15}$$

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

$$r_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, z) := \left\langle \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} d(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - J_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}^{t}(z, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \nabla_{w} \log p(y_{i}|x_{i}, w) \big|_{w=t(z, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}})} | \boldsymbol{\theta} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right\rangle + \frac{L}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\|^{2}. \quad (16)$$

Finally, using (14) and (16), the surrogate function (6) is given by $\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \{z_m\}_{m=1}^M) := M^{-1} \sum_{m=1}^M r_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, z_m)$ where $\{z_m\}_{m=1}^M$ is an i.i.d sample from $\mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$.

153 3 Convergence Analysis

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

155 **H1.** For all $i \in [1, n]$, $\overline{\theta} \in \Theta$, $z_i \in \mathsf{Z}$, the measurable function $r_i(\theta; \overline{\theta}, z_i)$ is convex in θ and is lower bounded.

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

159 **H2.** For all $i \in [1, n]$, $(\theta, \overline{\theta}) \in \Theta^2$, $z_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ we assume the existence of a majorizing function $m_r : \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{R}$ and a constant $C_r < \infty$ such that:

$$\sup_{M>0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \left| \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left\{ r_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, z_{i,m}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \right\} \right| < m_{\mathsf{r}}(z_i) \quad and \quad \mathbb{E}_{\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}} \left[m_{\mathsf{r}}(z_i) | \mathcal{F} \right] < C_{\mathsf{r}}$$
 (17)

where \mathcal{F} is the filtration of the total randomness and we denoted by $\mathbb{E}_{\overline{\theta}}[\cdot]$ the expectation w.r.t. a Markov chain $\{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M}$ with initial distribution $\xi_{i}(\cdot;\overline{\theta})$, transition kernel $P_{i,\overline{\theta}}$, and stationary distribution $p_{i}(\cdot;\overline{\theta})$. Besides, there exists a majorizing function $m_{\mathrm{gr}}: \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{R}$ and a constant $C_{\mathrm{gr}} < \infty$ such that:

$$\sup_{M>0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \left| \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left\{ \frac{\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}'(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - r_{i}'(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, z_{i,m})}{\|\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}\|} \right\} \right| < m_{\text{gr}}(z_{i})$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}}[m_{\text{gr}}(z_{i}) | \mathcal{F}] < C_{\text{gr}}$$

$$(18)$$

Some intuitions behind the controlling terms: It is actually common in statistical and optimiza-165 tion problems, to deal with the manipulation and the control of random variables indexed by sets 166 with an infinite number of elements. here, the random variable we control is an image of a continu-167 ous function noted $v: \mathsf{Z} \to \mathbb{R}$ and defined as $v(z) := r_i(\theta; \overline{\theta}, z_{i,m}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\theta; \overline{\theta})$ for all $z \in \mathsf{Z}$ and for 168 fixed $(\theta, \hat{\theta}) \in \Theta^2$. To characterize such control, we will have recourse to the notion of metric entropy 169 (or covering number of bracketing number) as developed in [Van der Vaart, 2000, Vershynin, 2018, 170 Wainwright, 2019]. A collection of results from those books gives intuition behind our assumption 171 H 2, classical in empirical process: 172

In [Vershynin, 2018], the authors recall the uniform law of large numbers by stating that for $(X_i, i \in [1, M])$ random variables taking values in (0, 1), we have:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sup_{f\in\mathcal{F}}\left|\frac{1}{M}\sum_{i=1}^{M}f\left(X_{i}\right)-\mathbb{E}[f(X)]\right|\right]\leq\frac{CL}{\sqrt{M}}\tag{19}$$

Moreover, in [Vershynin, 2018] and [Wainwright, 2019], the application of the Dudley's inequality yields:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sup_{f}|X_{f}|\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sup_{f\in\mathcal{F}}|X_{f} - X_{0}|\right] \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}\int_{0}^{1}\sqrt{\log\mathcal{N}\left(\mathcal{F}, \|\cdot\|_{\infty}, \varepsilon\right)}d\varepsilon \tag{20}$$

where $\mathcal{N}\left(\mathcal{F},\|\cdot\|_{\infty},\varepsilon\right)$ is the bracketing number and ϵ denotes the level of approximation (the bracketing number goes to infinity when $\epsilon \to 0$). Finally, in [Van der Vaart, 2000], this bracketing number is upperbounded for a class of parametric function $\mathcal{F}=f_{\theta}:\theta\in\Theta$ on a bounded set $\Theta\subset\mathbb{R}$ as:

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{F}, \|\cdot\|_{\infty}, \varepsilon) \le K \left(\frac{\operatorname{diam}\Theta}{\varepsilon}\right)^d, \quad \text{every} \quad 0 < \varepsilon < \operatorname{diam}\Theta$$
 (21)

It is worth contrasting the exponential dependence of this metric entropy on the dimension d. The authors acknowledge that this is a dramatic manifestation of the curse of dimensionality happening when sampling is needed. Nevertheless, the dependence on the dimension highly depends on the class of functions \mathcal{F} , corresponding to the class of surrogate functions in our work, as smaller bounds on these controlling terms can be derived for simpler class, such as quadratic functions.

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

$$g(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) := \inf_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \frac{\mathcal{L}'(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}})}{\|\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}\|} \quad \text{and} \quad g(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = g_{+}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - g_{-}(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) , \tag{22}$$

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

Also, denote

$$\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}), \quad \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}). \tag{23}$$

190 We first establish a non-asymptotic convergence rate for the MISSO method:

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

$$\Delta_{(K_{\text{max}})} := 2nL\mathbb{E}[\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(0)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(0)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(K_{\text{max}})}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K_{\text{max}})})] + \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\text{max}}-1} \frac{4LC_{\text{r}}}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}}, \tag{24}$$

193 Then we have following non-asymptotic bounds:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})\|^2\right] \le \frac{\Delta_{(K_{\text{max}})}}{K_{\text{max}}}$$
(25)

$$\mathbb{E}[g_{-}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})] \le \sqrt{\frac{\Delta_{(K_{\text{max}})}}{K_{\text{max}}}} + \frac{C_{\text{gr}}}{K_{\text{max}}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\text{max}}-1} M_{(k)}^{-1/2}. \tag{26}$$

Note that $\Delta_{(K_{\text{max}})}$ is finite for any $K_{\text{max}} \in \mathbb{N}$. As expected, the MISSO method converges to a stationary point of (1) asymptotically and at a sublinear rate $\mathbb{E}[g_{-}^{(K)}] \leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{1/K_{\text{max}}})$.

Furthermore, we remark that the MISO method can be analyzed in Theorem 1 as a special case of the MISSO method satisfying $C_r = C_{\rm gr} = 0$. In this case, while the asymptotic convergence

is well known from [Mairal, 2015] [cf. H2], Eq. (25) gives a non-asymptotic rate of $\mathbb{E}[g_{-}^{(K)}] \leq g_{-}^{(K)}$

199 $\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{nL/K_{\mathsf{max}}})$ which is new to our best knowledge.

Next, we show that under an additional assumption on the sequence of batch size $M_{(k)}$, the MISSO method converges almost surely to a stationary point:

Theorem 2. 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., $\lim_{k\to\infty} g_-(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) = 0$ a.s..
- 206 2. the objective value $\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})$ converges almost surely to a finite number $\underline{\mathcal{L}}$, 207 i.e., $\lim_{k\to\infty}\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})=\underline{\mathcal{L}}$ a.s..

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

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4.1 Binary logistic regression with missing values

This application follows **Example 1** described in Section 2. We consider a binary regression setup, $((y_i, z_i), i \in \llbracket n \rrbracket)$ 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 vector. The vector of covariates $z_i = [z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}]$ is not fully observed where we denote by $z_{i,\text{mis}}$ 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 $\mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\Omega})$ 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:

$$p_i(y_i|z_i) = S(\boldsymbol{\delta}^\top \bar{z}_i)^{y_i} \left(1 - S(\boldsymbol{\delta}^\top \bar{z}_i)\right)^{1 - y_i}$$
(27)

where for $u \in \mathbb{R}$, $S(u) = 1/(1 + \mathrm{e}^{-u})$, $\boldsymbol{\delta} = (\delta_0, \dots, \delta_p)$ are the logistic parameters and $\bar{z}_i = (1, z_i)$.

We are interested in estimating $\boldsymbol{\delta}$ and finding the latent structure of the covariates z_i . Here, $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\boldsymbol{\delta}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\Omega})$ is the parameter to estimate. For $i \in [n]$, the complete data log-likelihood is expressed as:

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

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. Details on the surrogate functions and the parameters updates are given in (84) and 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 (27) to predict the risk of a severe hemorrhage which is one of the main cause of death after a major trauma. Note as the dataset considered is heterogeneous – coming from multiple sources with frequently missed entries – we apply the latent data model described in the above. For the Monte-Carlo sampling of $z_{i,\text{mis}}$, we run a Metropolis Hastings algorithm with the target distribution $p(\cdot|z_{i,\text{obs}},y_i;\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})$ whose procedure is detailed in Appendix D.1.2.

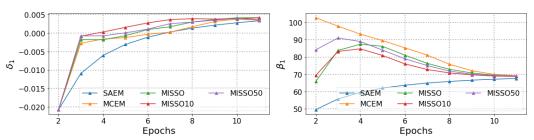


Figure 1: Convergence of first component of the vector of parameters δ and β for the SAEM, the MCEM and the MISSO methods. The convergence is plotted against the number of passes over the data.

We compare in Figure 1 the convergence behavior of the estimated parameters 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 function (MISSO), 10% (MISSO10) and 50% (MISSO50) of the functions 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

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This application follows **Example 2** described in Section 2. We use variational inference and the ELBO loss (13) to fit Bayesian Neural Networks on different datasets. At iteration k, minimizing the sum of stochastic surrogates defined as in (6) and (16) yields the following MISSO update — step (i) pick a function index i_k uniformly on [n]; 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 as

$$\mu_{\ell}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_{\ell}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{\delta}_{\mu_{\ell},i}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma^{(\tau_{i}^{k})} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{\delta}_{\sigma,i}^{(k)},$$
 (28)

where $\hat{\pmb{\delta}}_{\mu_\ell,i}^{(k)}=\hat{\pmb{\delta}}_{\mu_\ell,i}^{(k-1)}$ and $\hat{\pmb{\delta}}_{\sigma,i}^{(k)}=\hat{\pmb{\delta}}_{\sigma,i}^{(k-1)}$ for $i
eq i_k$ and:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{\mu_{\ell}, i_{k}}^{(k)} = -\frac{1}{M_{(k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}} \nabla_{w} \log p(y_{i_{k}} | x_{i_{k}}, w) \Big|_{w = t(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k-1)}, z_{m}^{(k)})} + \nabla_{\mu_{\ell}} d(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k-1)}),$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{\sigma,i_k}^{(k)} = -\frac{1}{M_{(k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}} z_m^{(k)} \nabla_w \log p(y_{i_k} | x_{i_k}, w) \Big|_{w = t(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k-1)}, z_m^{(k)})} + \nabla_\sigma d(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k-1)})$$

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$$d(\theta) = n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{d} \left(-\log(\sigma) + (\sigma^2 + \mu_{\ell}^2)/2 - 1/2 \right)$$
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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 (11), the weights are assumed independent and identically distributed according to $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$. We also assume that $q(\cdot;\boldsymbol{\theta}) \equiv \mathcal{N}(\mu,\sigma^2\mathbf{I})$. The variational posterior parameters are thus $\boldsymbol{\theta}=(\mu,\sigma)$ where $\mu=(\mu_\ell,\ell\in[d])$ where d is the number of weights in the neural network. We use the re-parametrization as $w=t(\boldsymbol{\theta},z)=\mu+\sigma z$ with $z\sim\mathcal{N}(0,\mathbf{I})$.

We describe in Table 1 the architecture of the Convolutional Neural Network introduced in [LeCun 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

Bayesian ResNet-18 [He et al., 2016] on CIFAR-10 [Krizhevsky et al., 2012]: We train here the Bayesian variant of the ResNet-18 neural network (see Appendix D.2.2) introduced in [He et al., 2016] on CIFAR-10. The latter dataset is composed of $n=60\,000$ handwritten digits, 32×32 colour images in 10 classes, with 6000 images per class. As in the previous example, the weights are assumed independent and identically distributed according to

 $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$. The source code used as a backbone here can be found in the TensorFlow Probability Github repo (https://github.com/tensorflow/probability/blob/master/tensorflow_probability/examples/cifar10_bnn.py) where the default hyperparameters, as the L annealing constant or the number of MC samples, were used for the benchmark methods. For better efficiency and lower variance, the Flipout estimator [Wen et al., 2018] is preferred than a simple reparametrization trick for ResNet-18.

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

layer type	Output Size	ResNet-18	nonlinearity
conv1	$112 \times 112 \times 64$	7×7 , 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	$14\times14\times256$	$ \begin{pmatrix} 3 \times 3, 256 \\ 3 \times 3, 256 \end{pmatrix} \times 2 $	ReLU
conv5x	$7\times7\times512$	$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \times 3, 512 \\ 3 \times 3, 512 \end{pmatrix} \times 2$	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

Experiment Results: We compare the convergence of the *Monte Carlo variants* of the following state of the art optimization algorithms — the ADAM [Kingma and Ba, 2015], the Momentum [Sutskever et al., 2013] and the SAG [Schmidt et al., 2017] methods versus the *Bayes by Backprop* (BBB) [Blundell et al., 2015] and our proposed MISSO method. For all these methods, the loss function (13) and its gradients were computed by Monte Carlo integration using Tensorflow Probability library [Dillon et al., 2017], based on the re-parametrization described above. Update rules for each algorithm are performed using their vanilla implementations on TensorFlow [Abadi et al., 2015] as detailed in Appendix D.2.3. We use the following hyperparameters for all runs — the learning rate is 10^{-3} , we run 100 epochs with a mini-batch size of 128 and use the batchsize of $M_{(k)} = k$.

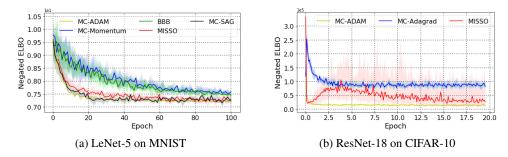


Figure 2: (a) Negated ELBO versus epochs elapsed for fitting the Bayesian LeNet-5 on MNIST using different algorithms. (b) ELBO versus epochs elapsed for fitting the Bayesian ResNet-18 on CIFAR-10 using different algorithms. The solid curve is obtained from averaging over 5 independent runs of the methods,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

Figure 2(a) shows the convergence of the negated evidence lower bound against the number of passes over data (one pass represents an epoch). As observed, the proposed MISSO method outperforms *Bayes by Backprop* and Momentum, while similar convergence rates are observed with the MISSO, ADAM and SAG methods for our experiment on MNIST dataset using a Bayesian variant of LeNet-5. On the other hand, the experiment conducted on CIFAR-10 (Figure 2(b)) using a much larger network, *i.e.*, a Bayesian variant of ResNet-18 (see Table 2) showcases the need of a well-tuned

adaptive methods to reach better training loss (and also faster). Our MISSO method is similar to
the Monte Carlo variant of ADAM but slower than built-in TF optimizer Adagrad. Recall that the
purpose of this paper is to provide a common class of optimizers, such as VI, in order to study their
convergence behaviors, and not to introduce a novel method outperforming the baselines methods.
Figure 2(b) also highlights high variance of the MISSO estimator which would then benefit from
variance reduction methods, being for now just an incremental one. We leave that research direction
open for the sake of clarity of our paper.

294 5 Conclusion

We present a unifying framework for minimizing a non-convex finite-sum objective function using incremental surrogates when the latter functions are expressed as an expectation and are intractable. Our approach covers a large class of non-convex applications in machine learning such as logistic regression with missing values and variational inference. We provide both finite-time and asymptotic guarantees of our incremental stochastic surrogate optimization technique and illustrate our findings training a binary logistic regression with missing covariates to predict hemorrhagic shock and a Bayesian variant of LeNet-5 on MNIST.

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Proof of Theorem 1 389

Theorem. Under S1, S2, H1, H2. For any $K_{\text{max}} \in \mathbb{N}$, let K be an independent discrete r.v. drawn 390 uniformly from $\{0,...,K_{max}-1\}$ and define the following quantity: 391

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

Then we have following non-asymptotic bounds:

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

Proof We begin by recalling the definition

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \widetilde{\mathcal{A}}_{i}^{k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}). \tag{29}$$

Notice that 394

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k+1})}, \{z_{i,m}^{(\tau_{i}^{k+1})}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k+1})}})
= \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \frac{1}{n} \big(\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_{k},m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}, \{z_{i_{k},m}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}}) \big).$$
(30)

Furthermore, we recall that

$$\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}), \quad \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}).$$
 (31)

Due to S2, we have 396

$$\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^2 \le 2L\widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}). \tag{32}$$

To prove the first bound in (25), using the optimality of $\theta^{(k+1)}$, one has 397

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) \leq \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})
= \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \frac{1}{n} (\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}}))$$
(33)

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

We observe that the conditional expectation evaluates to

$$\mathbb{E}_{i_{k}} \left[\mathbb{E} \left[\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_{k},m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) | \mathcal{F}_{k}, i_{k} \right] | \mathcal{F}_{k} \right] \\
= \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \mathbb{E}_{i_{k}} \left[\mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{M_{(k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}} r_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, z_{i_{k},m}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) | \mathcal{F}_{k}, i_{k} \right] | \mathcal{F}_{k} \right] \\
\leq \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \frac{C_{r}}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}}, \tag{34}$$

where the last inequality is due to H2. Moreover,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}}) | \mathcal{F}_k\right] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_i^k)}, \{z_{i,m}^{(\tau_i^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_i^k)}}) = \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}).$$
(35)

Taking the conditional expectations on both sides of (33) and re-arranging terms give:

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \le n \mathbb{E} \left[\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) | \mathcal{F}_k \right] + \frac{C_{\mathsf{r}}}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}}$$
(36)

402 Proceeding from (36), we observe the following lower bound for the left hand side

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \stackrel{(a)}{=} \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \\
\stackrel{(b)}{\geq} \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \frac{1}{2L} \|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^{2} \\
= \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} r_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}, z_{i,m}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}) \right\}}_{:=-\delta^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})} + \frac{1}{2L} \|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^{2}$$

$$(37)$$

where (a) is due to $\hat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) = 0$ [cf. S1], (b) is due to (32) and we have defined the summation in the last equality as $-\delta^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})$. Substituting the above into (36) yields

$$\frac{\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^2}{2L} \le n\mathbb{E}\left[\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)})|\mathcal{F}_k\right] + \frac{C_{\mathsf{r}}}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}} + \delta^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \tag{38}$$

Observe the following upper bound on the total expectations:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\delta^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\right] \le \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\frac{C_{\mathsf{r}}}{\sqrt{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}}}\right],\tag{39}$$

which is due to H2. It yields

$$\mathbb{E}\big[\|\nabla\widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^2\big] \leq 2nL\mathbb{E}\big[\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)})\big] + \frac{2LC_r}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}} + \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}\Big[\frac{2LC_r}{\sqrt{M_{(\tau_i^k)}}}\Big]$$

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

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})\|^{2}] = \frac{1}{K_{\text{max}}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\text{max}}-1} \mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^{2}] \\
\leq \frac{2nL\mathbb{E}[\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(0)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(0)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(K_{\text{max}})}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K_{\text{max}})})]}{K_{\text{max}}} + \frac{2LC_{\text{r}}}{K_{\text{max}}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\text{max}}-1} \mathbb{E}\Big[\frac{1}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}}}\Big]$$
(40)

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

$$\mathbb{E}[M_{(\tau_i^k)}^{-1/2}] = \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{1}{n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{j-1} M_{(k-j)}^{-1/2} \tag{41}$$

411 Taking the sum yields:

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

$$(42)$$

where the last inequality is due to upper bounding the geometric series. Plugging this back into (40) yields

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})\|^{2}] = \frac{1}{K_{\text{max}}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\text{max}}-1} \mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\|^{2}] \\
\leq \frac{2nL\mathbb{E}[\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(0)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(0)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(K_{\text{max}})}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K_{\text{max}})})]}{K_{\text{max}}} + \frac{1}{K_{\text{max}}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\text{max}}-1} \frac{4LC_{\text{r}}}{\sqrt{M_{(k)}}} = \frac{\Delta_{(K_{\text{max}})}}{K_{\text{max}}}.$$
(43)

- This concludes our proof for the first inequality in (25).
- To prove the second inequality of (25), we define the shorthand notations $g^{(k)}:=g(\pmb{\theta}^{(k)}),\,g_-^{(k)}:=g(\pmb{\theta}^{(k)})$
- $-\min\{0, g^{(k)}\}, g_+^{(k)} := \max\{0, g^{(k)}\}.$ We observe that

$$g^{(k)} = \inf_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \frac{\mathcal{L}'(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})}{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)} - \boldsymbol{\theta}\|}$$

$$= \inf_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \left\{ \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})})}{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)} - \boldsymbol{\theta}\|} - \frac{\left\langle \nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \mid \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)} \right\rangle}{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)} - \boldsymbol{\theta}\|} \right\}$$

$$\geq -\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\| + \inf_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})})}{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)} - \boldsymbol{\theta}\|}$$

$$(44)$$

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

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}) \\
= \underbrace{\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)'}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})}_{\geq 0} - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)'}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}) \\
\geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ \widehat{\mathcal{L}}'_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}) - \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} r'_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}, \boldsymbol{z}_{i,m}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}) \right\}$$
(45)

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

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

422 We have

$$g^{(k)} \ge -\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\| + \inf_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} (-\epsilon^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})) \ge -\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\| - \sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} |\epsilon^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})|. \tag{46}$$

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

$$g_{-}^{(k)} \le \|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\| + \sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} |\epsilon^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})|. \tag{47}$$

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

$$\mathbb{E}[g_{-}^{(K)}] \leq \mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})\|] + \mathbb{E}[\sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \epsilon^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})]$$
(48)

426 We note that

$$\left(\mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})\|]\right)^{2} \leq \mathbb{E}[\|\nabla \widehat{e}^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(K)})\|^{2}] \leq \frac{\Delta(K_{\mathsf{max}})}{K_{\mathsf{max}}},\tag{49}$$

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

$$\mathbb{E}[\sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \epsilon^{(K)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})] = \frac{1}{K_{\text{max}}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\text{max}}} \mathbb{E}[\sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} \epsilon^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})] \stackrel{(a)}{\leq} \frac{C_{\text{gr}}}{K_{\text{max}}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\text{max}}-1} \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}^{-1/2}\right] \\
\stackrel{(b)}{\leq} \frac{C_{\text{gr}}}{K_{\text{max}}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\text{max}}-1} M_{(k)}^{-1/2} \tag{50}$$

where (a) is due to H2 and (b) is due to (42). This implies

$$\mathbb{E}[g_{-}^{(K)}] \le \sqrt{\frac{\Delta_{(K_{\text{max}})}}{K_{\text{max}}}} + \frac{C_{\text{gr}}}{K_{\text{max}}} \sum_{k=0}^{K_{\text{max}}-1} M_{(k)}^{-1/2}, \tag{51}$$

and concludes the proof of the theorem.

430 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., $\lim_{k\to\infty} g_-(\theta^{(k)}) = 0$ a.s..
- 2. the objective value $\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})$ converges almost surely to a finite number $\underline{\mathcal{L}}$, i.e., $\lim_{k\to\infty}\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})=\underline{\mathcal{L}}$ 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 $k \geq 1$:

$$V_k \le V_{k-1} - X_{k-1} + E_{k-1} \tag{52}$$

- 442 then:
- (i) for all $k \geq 0$, $\mathbb{E}[V_k] < \infty$ and the sequence $(V_k)_{k>0}$ converges a.s. to a finite limit V_{∞} .
- 444 (ii) the sequence $(\mathbb{E}[V_k])_{k\geq 0}$ converges and $\lim_{k\to\infty}\mathbb{E}[V_k]=\mathbb{E}[V_\infty]$.
- (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 (33) by re-arranging terms and observing that

$$\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) \leq \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \frac{1}{n} (\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}))
- (\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)})) + (\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}))
+ \frac{1}{n} (\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \{z_{i_{k},m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}, \{z_{i_{k},m}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}}))
+ \frac{1}{n} (\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}, \{z_{i_{k},m}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}}))$$
(53)

Our idea is to apply Lemma 1. Under S1, the finite sum of surrogate functions $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\theta)$, defined in (23), is lower bounded by a constant $c_k > -\infty$ for any θ . To this end, we observe that

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

$$(54)$$

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

$$X_k := \frac{1}{n} \left(\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \right) \ge 0.$$
 (55)

451 Thirdly, we define

$$E_{k} = -\left(\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k+1)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k+1)})\right) + \left(\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\right) + \frac{1}{n}\left(\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_{k},m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\right) + \frac{1}{n}\left(\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_{k}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}, \{z_{i_{k},m}^{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_{k}}^{k})}})\right).$$
(56)

- Note that from the definitions (54), (55), (56), we have $V_{k+1} \leq V_k X_k + E_k$ for any $k \geq 1$.
- 453 Under H2, we observe that

$$\mathbb{E}\left[|\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})|\right] \le C_{\mathsf{r}} M_{(k)}^{-1/2}$$
(57)

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$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left|\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)};\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}) - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)};\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}, \{z_{i_k,m}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}})\right|\right] \le C_{\mathsf{r}}\mathbb{E}\left[M_{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}^{-1/2}\right]$$
(58)

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$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left|\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\right|\right] \le \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} C_{\mathsf{r}} \mathbb{E}\left[M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}^{-1/2}\right]$$
(59)

456 Therefore,

$$\mathbb{E}[|E_k|] \le \frac{C_r}{n} \left(M_{(k)}^{-1/2} + \mathbb{E} \left[M_{(\tau_{i,1}^k)}^{-1/2} + \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ M_{(\tau_{i}^k)}^{-1/2} + M_{(\tau_{i}^{k+1})}^{-1/2} \right\} \right] \right)$$
(60)

Using (42) and the assumption on the sequence $\{M_{(k)}\}_{k>0}$, we obtain that

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[|E_k|] < \frac{C_{\mathsf{r}}}{n} (2+2n) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} M_{(k)}^{-1/2} < \infty.$$
 (61)

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

$$\infty > \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[X_k] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}\left[\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(\tau_{i_k}^k)}) - \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i_k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\right]
= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}\left[\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) - \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\right] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}\left[\widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\right]$$
(62)

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

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$
 (63)

and subsequently applying (32), we have $\lim_{k\to\infty} \|\widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\| = 0$ almost surely. Finally, it follows 461 from (32) and (47) that 462

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} g_{-}^{(k)} \le \lim_{k \to \infty} \sqrt{2L} \sqrt{\widehat{e}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})} + \lim_{k \to \infty} \sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta} |\epsilon^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta})| = 0, \tag{64}$$

where the last equality holds almost surely due to the fact that $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} |\epsilon^{(k)}(\theta)|] < \infty$. This concludes the asymptotic convergence of the MISSO method. 463

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Finally, we prove that $\mathcal{L}(\theta^{(k)})$ converges almost surely. As a consequence of Lemma 1, it is clear that 465

 $\{V_k\}_{k\geq 0}$ converges almost surely and so is $\{\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})\}_{k\geq 0}$, i.e., we have $\lim_{k\to\infty}\widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})=\underline{\mathcal{L}}$. 466

Applying (63) implies that 467

$$\underline{\mathcal{L}} = \lim_{k \to \infty} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)}) \quad \text{a.s.}$$
 (65)

This shows that $\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k)})$ converges almost surely to $\underline{\mathcal{L}}$. 468

Proof of Lemma 1 469

Lemma. Let $(V_k)_{k>0}$ be a non negative sequence of random variables such that $\mathbb{E}[V_0] < \infty$. 470

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 $k \geq 1$: 471

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

then: 473

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

(ii) the sequence $(\mathbb{E}[V_k])_{k>0}$ converges and $\lim_{k\to\infty}\mathbb{E}[V_k]=\mathbb{E}[V_\infty]$. 475

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

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

$$0 \le V_k \le V_0 - \sum_{j=1}^k X_j + \sum_{j=1}^k E_j \le V_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k E_j$$
 (66)

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

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

$$W_k = V_k + \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} E_j \tag{67}$$

481 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:

$$W_{k} \leq V_{k-1} - X_{k} + \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} E_{j} \leq W_{k-1} - X_{k} \leq W_{k-1}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[W_{k}] \leq \mathbb{E}[W_{k-1}] - \mathbb{E}[X_{k}]$$
(68)

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

$$\mathbb{E}[\liminf_{k \to \infty} |W_k|] = \mathbb{E}[|W_\infty|] \le \liminf_{k \to \infty} \mathbb{E}[|W_k|] \le \mathbb{E}[V_0] + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[|E_j|] < \infty \tag{69}$$

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

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 $\mathbb{E}[U_k] \leq \mathbb{E}[|W_0|] + \mathbb{E}[|W_k|] < \infty$ and by the monotone convergence theorem, we get:

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \mathbb{E}[U_k] = \mathbb{E}[\lim_{k \to \infty} U_k] \tag{70}$$

489 Finally, we have:

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \mathbb{E}[U_k] = \mathbb{E}[W_0] - w_{\infty} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{E}[\lim_{k \to \infty} U_k] = \mathbb{E}[W_0] - \mathbb{E}[W_{\infty}]$$
 (71)

showing that $\mathbb{E}[W_{\infty}] = w_{\infty}$ and concluding the proof of (ii). Moreover, using (68) we have that $W_k \leq W_{k-1} - X_k$ which yields:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} X_j \le W_0 - W_{\infty} < \infty$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[X_j] \le \mathbb{E}[W_0] - w_{\infty} < \infty$$
(72)

which concludes the proof of the lemma.

D Details about the Numerical Experiments

494 D.1 Binary Logistic Regression on the Traumabase

D.1.1 Traumabase quantitative variables

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The list of the 16 quantitative variables we use in our experiments are as follows — age, weight, 496 height, BMI (Body Mass Index), the Glasgow Coma Scale, the Glasgow Coma Scale motor com-497 ponent, the minimum systolic blood pressure, the minimum diastolic blood pressure, the maximum 498 number of heart rate (or pulse) per unit time (usually a minute), the systolic blood pressure at ar-499 rival of ambulance, the diastolic blood pressure at arrival of ambulance, the heart rate at arrival 500 of ambulance, the capillary Hemoglobin concentration, the oxygen saturation, the fluid expansion 501 colloids, the fluid expansion cristalloids, the pulse pressure for the minimum value of diastolic and 502 systolic blood pressure, the pulse pressure at arrival of ambulance. 503

D.1.2 Metropolis Hastings algorithm

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

$$\xi = \beta_{miss} + \Omega_{mis,obs} \Omega_{obs,obs}^{-1} (z_{i,obs} - \beta_{obs}) ,$$

$$\Sigma = \Omega_{mis,mis} + \Omega_{mis,obs} \Omega_{obs,obs}^{-1} \Omega_{obs,obs} \Omega_{obs,mis}$$
(73)

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

Algorithm 3 MH aglorithm

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1: Input: initialization z_{i,\text{mis},0} \sim q(z_{i,\text{mis}}; \boldsymbol{\delta})
 2: for m = 1, \dots, M do
             \begin{array}{l} \text{Sample } z_{i, \min, m} \sim q(z_{i, \min}; \pmb{\delta}) \\ \text{Sample } u \sim \mathcal{U}(\llbracket 0, 1 \rrbracket) \end{array}
 3:
 4:
             Calculate the ratio r = \frac{\pi(z_{i,\min,m};\theta)/q(z_{i,\min,m};\delta)}{\pi(z_{i,\min,m-1};\theta)/q(z_{i,\min,m-1};\delta)}
 5:
 6:
             if u < r then
                   Accept z_{i, mis, m}
 7:
 8:
 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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D.1.3 MISSO Update

Choice of surrogate function for MISO: We recall the MISO deterministic surrogate defined in (10):

$$\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \int_{\mathbf{Z}} \log \left(p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) / f_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \right) p_i(z_{i,\text{mis}}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_i(dz_i) . \tag{74}$$

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

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

$$\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = -\int_{\mathsf{Z}} \log f_{i}(z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, z_{i,\mathrm{obs}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p_{i}(z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_{i}(\mathrm{d}z_{i,\mathrm{mis}})$$

$$= -\int_{\mathsf{Z}} \log \left[p_{i}(y_{i}|z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, z_{i,\mathrm{obs}}, \delta) p_{i}(z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, \beta, \Omega) \right] p_{i}(z_{i}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_{i}(\mathrm{d}z_{i,\mathrm{mis}})$$

$$= -\int_{\mathsf{Z}} \log p_{i}(y_{i}|z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, z_{i,\mathrm{obs}}, \delta) p_{i}(z_{i}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_{i}(\mathrm{d}z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}) - \int_{\mathsf{Z}} \log p_{i}(z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, \beta, \Omega) p_{i}(z_{i}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_{i}(\mathrm{d}z_{i,\mathrm{mis}})$$

$$= \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}^{(1)}(\delta, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$$

$$= \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$$
(75)

The mean β and the covariance Ω of the latent structure can be estimated minimizing the sum of

MISSO surrogates $\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta,\Omega,\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\{z_m\}_{m=1}^M)$, defined as MC approximation of $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_i^{(2)}(\beta,\Omega,\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$, for all $i\in[n]$, in closed-form expression.

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

$$\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}^{(1)}(\bar{\delta}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - \int_{\mathsf{Z}} \nabla \log p_{i}(y_{i}|z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, z_{i,\mathrm{obs}}, \delta) \big|_{\delta = \bar{\delta}} p_{i}(z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_{i}(\mathrm{d}z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}) (\delta - \bar{\delta}) \\
- (\delta - \bar{\delta})/2 \int_{\mathsf{Z}} \nabla^{2} \log p_{i}(y_{i}|z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, z_{i,\mathrm{obs}}, \delta) p_{i}(z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) p_{i}(z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_{i}(\mathrm{d}z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}) (\delta - \bar{\delta})^{\top} \tag{76}$$

Recall that:

$$\nabla \log p_i(y_i|z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}, \delta) = z_i \left(y_i - S(\delta^\top z_i) \right)$$

$$\nabla^2 \log p_i(y_i|z_{i,\text{mis}}, z_{i,\text{obs}}, \delta) = -z_i z_i^\top \dot{S}(\delta^\top z_i)$$
(77)

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

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

Then, we use, for all $i \in [n]$, the following surrogate function to estimate δ :

$$\bar{\mathcal{L}}_{i}^{(1)}(\delta, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \hat{\mathcal{L}}_{i}^{(1)}(\overline{\delta}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - D_{i}^{\top}(\delta - \overline{\delta}) + \frac{1}{2}(\delta - \overline{\delta})H_{i}(\delta - \overline{\delta})^{\top}$$
(78)

where: 530

$$D_{i} = \int_{\mathsf{Z}} \nabla \log p_{i}(y_{i}|z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, z_{i,\mathrm{obs}}, \delta) \big|_{\delta = \overline{\delta}} p_{i}(z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_{i}(\mathrm{d}z_{i,\mathrm{mis}})$$

$$H_{i} = \int_{\mathsf{Z}} H_{i}(z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}) p_{i}(z_{i,\mathrm{mis}}, \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \mu_{i}(\mathrm{d}z_{i,\mathrm{mis}})$$
(79)

Finally, at iteration k, the total surrogate is:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^{(k)}(\theta) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i}(\theta, \theta^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}})$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i}^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega, \theta^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}}) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{D}_{i}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}(\delta - \delta^{(\tau_{i}^{k})})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\delta - \delta^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}) \left\{ \tilde{H}_{i}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})} \right\} (\delta - \delta^{(\tau_{i}^{k})})^{\top}$$
(80)

where for all $i \in [n]$:

$$\tilde{D}_{i}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})} = \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} z_{i,m}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})} \left(y_{i} - S(\left(\delta^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}\right)^{\top} z_{i,m}(\tau_{i}^{k})) \right)$$

$$\tilde{H}_{i}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})} = \frac{1}{4M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} z_{i,m}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})} (z_{i,m}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})})^{\top}$$
(81)

Minimizing the total surrogate (80) boils down to performing a quasi-Newton step. It is perhaps sen-

sible to apply some diagonal loading which is perfectly compatible with the surrogate interpretation

we just gave.

The logistic parameters are estimated as follows:

$$\boldsymbol{\delta}^{(k)} = \arg\min_{\delta \in \Theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i}^{(1)}(\delta, \theta^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}})$$
 (82)

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 (78)and which leads to the following quasi-Newton step:

$$\boldsymbol{\delta}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \boldsymbol{\delta}^{(\tau_i^k)} - (\tilde{H}^{(k)})^{-1} \tilde{D}^{(k)}$$
(83)

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

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

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k)} = \arg\min_{\beta \in \Theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i}^{(2)}(\beta, \Omega^{(k)}, \theta^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} z_{i,m}^{(k)}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Omega}^{(k)} = \arg\min_{\Omega \in \Theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{i}^{(2)}(\beta^{(k)}, \Omega, \theta^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}, \{z_{i,m}\}_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(\tau_{i}^{k})}} w_{i,m}^{(k)}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\delta}^{(k)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \boldsymbol{\delta}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})} - (\tilde{H}^{(k)})^{-1} \tilde{D}^{(k)}.$$
(84)

where $z_{i,m}^{(k)}=(z_{i,\text{mis},m}^{(k)},z_{i,\text{obs}})$ is composed of a simulated and an observed part, $\tilde{D}^{(k)}=1$ sides, $\tilde{L}_{i}^{(n)}$, $\tilde{D}_{i}^{(\tau_{i}^{k})}$, $\tilde{H}^{(k)}=1$, $\tilde{L}_{i}^{(n)}$, $\tilde{H}^{(k)}=1$, $\tilde{L}_{i}^{(n)}$, $\tilde{H}^{(k)}=1$, $\tilde{L}_{i}^{(n)}$, $\tilde{H}^{(k)}=1$, $\tilde{L}_{i}^{(n)}$, \tilde{L}_{i

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550 D.2.1 Bayesian LeNet-5 Architecture

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554 D.2.3 Algorithms updates

First, we initialize the means $\mu_{\ell}^{(0)}$ for $\ell \in [\![d]\!]$ and variance estimates $\sigma^{(0)}$. In the sequel, at iteration k and for all $i \in [\![n]\!]$ we define the following terms:

$$\hat{\delta}_{\mu_{\ell},i}^{(k)} = -\frac{1}{M_{(k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}} \nabla_{w} \log p(y_{i}|x_{i}, w) \Big|_{w=t(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k-1)}, z_{m}^{(k)})} + \nabla_{\mu_{\ell}} d(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k-1)}),$$

$$\hat{\delta}_{\sigma,i}^{(k)} = -\frac{1}{M_{(k)}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{(k)}} z_{m}^{(k)} \nabla_{w} \log p(y_{i}|x_{i}, w) \Big|_{w=t(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k-1)}, z_{m}^{(k)})} + \nabla_{\sigma} d(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(k-1)}).$$
(85)

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

560 Monte Carlo SAG update: Set

$$\mu_{\ell}^{(k)} = \mu_{\ell}^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{\delta}_{\mu_{\ell}, i}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^{(k)} = \sigma^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i}^{(k)} ,$$
 (86)

where $\hat{\pmb{\delta}}_{\mu_\ell,i}^{(k)} = \hat{\pmb{\delta}}_{\mu_\ell,i}^{(k-1)}$ and $\hat{\pmb{\delta}}_{\sigma,i}^{(k)} = \hat{\pmb{\delta}}_{\sigma,i}^{(k-1)}$ for $i \neq i_k$ and are defined by (85) for $i = i_k$. The learning rate is set to $\gamma = 10^{-3}$.

563 Bayes By Backprop update: Set

$$\mu_{\ell}^{(k)} = \mu_{\ell}^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{\delta}_{\mu_{\ell}, i_{k}}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^{(k)} = \sigma^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{\delta}_{\sigma, i_{k}}^{(k)} ,$$
 (87)

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

565 Monte Carlo Momentum update: Set

$$\mu_{\ell}^{(k)} = \mu_{\ell}^{(k-1)} + \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^{(k)} = \sigma^{(k-1)} + \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{\sigma}^{(k)} ,$$
 (88)

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$$\hat{\boldsymbol{v}}_{\mu_{\ell},i}^{(k)} = \alpha \hat{\boldsymbol{v}}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{\mu_{\ell},i_{k}}^{(k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{v}}_{\sigma}^{(k)} = \alpha \hat{\boldsymbol{v}}_{\sigma}^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{\sigma,i_{k}}^{(k)} , \tag{89}$$

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

568 Monte Carlo ADAM update: Set

$$\mu_{\ell}^{(k)} = \mu_{\ell}^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{m}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k)} / (\sqrt{\hat{m}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k)}} + \epsilon) \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma^{(k)} = \sigma^{(k-1)} - \frac{\gamma}{n} \hat{m}_{\sigma}^{(k)} / (\sqrt{\hat{m}_{\sigma}^{(k)}} + \epsilon) , \quad (90)$$

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$$\hat{\boldsymbol{m}}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k)} = \boldsymbol{m}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k-1)} / (1 - \rho_{1}^{k}) \quad \text{with} \quad \boldsymbol{m}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k)} = \rho_{1} \boldsymbol{m}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k-1)} + (1 - \rho_{1}) \hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{\mu_{\ell}, i_{k}}^{(k)} ,
\hat{\boldsymbol{v}}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k)} = \boldsymbol{v}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k-1)} / (1 - \rho_{2}^{k}) \quad \text{with} \quad \boldsymbol{v}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k)} = \rho_{2} \boldsymbol{v}_{\mu_{\ell}}^{(k-1)} + (1 - \rho_{1}) (\hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{\sigma, i_{k}}^{(k)})^{2}$$
(91)

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$$\hat{\boldsymbol{m}}_{\sigma}^{(k)} = \boldsymbol{m}_{\sigma}^{(k-1)}/(1-\rho_{1}^{k}) \quad \text{with} \quad \boldsymbol{m}_{\sigma}^{(k)} = \rho_{1}\boldsymbol{m}_{\sigma}^{(k-1)} + (1-\rho_{1})\hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{\sigma,i_{k}}^{(k)},
\hat{\boldsymbol{v}}_{\sigma}^{(k)} = \boldsymbol{v}_{\sigma}^{(k-1)}/(1-\rho_{2}^{k}) \quad \text{with} \quad \boldsymbol{v}_{\sigma}^{(k)} = \rho_{2}\boldsymbol{v}_{\sigma}^{(k-1)} + (1-\rho_{1})(\hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}}_{\sigma,i_{k}}^{(k)})^{2}.$$
(92)

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