

FedSketch: Communication-Efficient and Differentially-Private Federated Learning via Sketching

Abstract

Federated learning...

1 Introduction

The main contributions of this paper are as follows:

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ToDo: Discussing || One-shot with sketching

$$\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r+1)} = \mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \gamma \Phi_j \left(\mathbf{S}^{(r)} \right) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{S}^{(r)} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{S}_j^{(r)} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{S}_j \left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)} \right) \quad (1)$$

Where Φ_j is the HEAPRIX compression method, executed for each device j and defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_j(\mathbf{S}^{(r)}) &:= \text{HEAPRIX}(\mathbf{S}^{(r)}) = \text{HEAVYMIX} \left(\mathbf{S}^{(r)} \right) \\ &\quad + \text{PRIVIX} \left(\mathcal{S}_j \left[\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)} \right) - \text{HEAVYMIX} \left(\mathbf{S}^{(r)} \right) \right] \right) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where \mathcal{S}_j is the sketch operator on device j .

2 Problem Setting

In this paper our goal is to solve the following optimization problem using p distributed devices:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) \triangleq \left[\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p F_j(\mathbf{x}) \right] \quad (3)$$

where $F_j(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}_{\xi \in \mathcal{D}_j} [f_j(\mathbf{x}, \xi)]$ is the local cost function at device j . ξ is a random variable with probability distribution \mathcal{D}_j .

ToDo: Differences with [1]

3 Count Sketch Review

Algorithm 1 CS: Count Sketch to compress $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

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1: Inputs:  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, t, k, \mathbf{S}_{t \times k}, h_i(1 \leq i \leq t), \text{sign}_i(1 \leq i \leq t)$ 
2: Compress vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  into  $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x})$ :
3: for  $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbf{x}$  do
4:   for  $j = 1, \dots, t$  do
5:      $\mathbf{S}[j][h_j(i)] = \mathbf{S}[j-1][h_{j-1}(i)] + \text{sign}_j(i) \cdot \mathbf{x}_i$ 
6:   end for
7: end for
8: return  $\mathbf{S}_{t \times k}(\mathbf{x})$ 
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Notation: For the rest of the paper we indicate the number of communication rounds and number of bits per round per device with $R(\epsilon)$ and $B(d)$ respectively. For the rest of the paper we indicate the count sketch of any vector \mathbf{x} with $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x})$

4 Compression Operations

In this subsection, we review a recent results that will be useful for our work. Similar to [2], we define the following two types of compressor operators that will be useful for our algorithm.

4.1 Unbiased Compressor

Definition 1 (Unbiased compressor). *A randomized function, $C: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is called an unbiased compression operator with $\Delta \geq 1$, if we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[C(\mathbf{x})] &= \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbb{E}[\|C(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2] &\leq \Delta \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

We indicate this class of compressor with $C \in \mathbb{U}(\Delta)$

We note that this definition leads to the property

$$\mathbb{E}[\|C(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{x}\|_2^2] \leq (\Delta - 1) \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \quad (5)$$

Remark 1. *Note that in case of $\Delta = 1$ our algorithm reduces for the case of no compression. This property allows us the noise of the compression.*

Algorithm 2 PRIVIX[3]: Unbiased compressor based on sketching.

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1: Inputs:  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, t, k, \mathbf{S}_{t \times k}, h_i(1 \leq i \leq t), \text{sign}_i(1 \leq i \leq t)$ 
2: Query  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  from  $\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x})$ :
3: for  $i = 1, \dots, d$  do
4:    $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}[i] = \text{Median}\{\text{sign}_j(i) \cdot \mathbf{S}[j][h_j(i)] : 1 \leq j \leq t\}$ 
5: end for
6: Output:  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ 
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Estimation errors:

Property 1 ([3]). *For our proof purpose we will need the following crucial properties of the count sketch described in Algorithm 2, for any real valued vector $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$:*

1) Unbiased estimation: *As it is also mentioned in [3], we have:*

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}}[\text{PRIVIX}[\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x})]] = \mathbf{x} \quad (6)$$

2) Bounded variance: *With $k = O\left(\frac{e}{\mu^2}\right)$ and $t = O\left(\ln\left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right)\right)$, we have the following bound with probability $1 - \delta$:*

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}}[\|\text{PRIVIX}[\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x})] - \mathbf{x}\|_2^2] \leq \mu^2 d \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \quad (7)$$

Therefore, $\text{PRIVIX} \in \mathbb{U}(1 + \mu^2 d)$ with probability $1 - \delta$.

Remark 2. *We note that $\Delta = 1 + \mu^2 d$ implies that if $k \rightarrow d$, $\Delta \rightarrow 1 + 1 = 2$, which means that the case of no compression is not covered. Thus, the algorithms based on this may converges poorly.*

Differentially Private Property:

Definition 2. A randomized mechanism \mathcal{O} satisfies ϵ -differential privacy, if for input data S_1 and S_2 differing by up to one element, and for any output D of \mathcal{O} ,

$$\Pr[\mathcal{O}(S_1) \in D] \leq \exp(\epsilon) \Pr[\mathcal{O}(S_2) \in D] \quad (8)$$

ToDo: Add explanations that this scheme induces local privacy!

Assumption 1 (Input vector distribution). For the purpose of privacy analysis, similar to [?, ?], we suppose that for any input vector S with length $|S| = l$, each element $s_i \in S$ is drawn i.i.d. from a Gaussian distribution: $s_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$, and bounded by a large probability: $|s_i| \leq C, 1 \leq i \leq p$ for some positive constant $C > 0$.

Theorem 1 (ϵ -differential privacy of count sketch, [3]). For a sketching algorithm \mathcal{O} using Count Sketch $\mathbf{S}_{t \times k}$ with t arrays of k bins, for any input vector S with length l satisfying Assumption 1, \mathcal{O} achieves $t \cdot \ln \left(1 + \frac{\alpha C^2 k(k-1)}{\sigma^2(l-2)} (1 + \ln(l-k)) \right)$ -differential privacy with high probability, where α is a positive constant satisfying $\frac{\alpha C^2 k(k-1)}{\sigma^2(l-2)} (1 + \ln(l-k)) \leq \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{\alpha}$.

The proof of this theorem can be found in [3].

4.2 Biased compressor

Definition 3 (Biased compressor). A (randomized) function, $C: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is called a compression operator with $\alpha > 0$ and $\Delta \geq 1$, if we have

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\|\alpha \mathbf{x} - \bar{C}(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2 \right] \leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{\Delta} \right) \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \quad (9)$$

Any biased compression operator C is indicated by $C \in \mathbb{C}(\Delta, \alpha)$.

The following Lemma links these two definitions:

Lemma 1 ([2]). We have $\mathbb{U}(\Delta) \subset \mathbb{C}(\Delta)$.

An instance of biased compressor based on sketching is as follows:

Algorithm 3 HEAVYMIX [4]

- 1: **Inputs:** \mathbf{S}_g ; parameter- k
 - 2: **Compress vector** $\tilde{\mathbf{g}} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ **into** $\mathbf{S}(\tilde{\mathbf{g}})$:
 - 3: Query $\hat{\ell}_2^2 = (1 \pm 0.5) \|\mathbf{g}\|^2$ from sketch \mathbf{S}_g
 - 4: $\forall j$ query $\hat{\mathbf{g}}_j^2 = \hat{\mathbf{g}}_j^2 \pm \frac{1}{2k} \|\mathbf{g}\|^2$ from sketch \mathbf{S}_g
 - 5: $H = \{j | \hat{\mathbf{g}}_j \geq \frac{\hat{\ell}_2^2}{k}\}$ and $NH = \{j | \hat{\mathbf{g}}_j < \frac{\hat{\ell}_2^2}{k}\}$
 - 6: $\text{Top}_k = H \cup \text{rand}_\ell(NH)$, where $\ell = k - |H|$
 - 7: Get exact values of Top_k
 - 8: **Output:** $\mathbf{g}_S : \forall j \in \text{Top}_k : \mathbf{g}_{Si} = \mathbf{g}_i$ and $\forall j \notin \text{Top}_k : \mathbf{g}_{Si} = 0$
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Lemma 2 ([4]). *HEAVYMIX*, with sketch size $\Theta(k \log(\frac{d}{\delta}))$ is a biased compressor with $\alpha = 1$ and $\Delta = d/k$ with probability $\geq 1 - \delta$. In other words, with probability $1 - \delta$, $\text{HEAVYMIX} \in \mathbb{C}(\frac{d}{k}, 1)$.

4.3 Sketching Based on Induced Compressor

The following Lemma from [2] shows that how we can transfer biased compressor into an unbiased compressor:

Lemma 3 (Induced Compressor [2]). For $C_1 \in \mathbb{C}(\Delta_1)$ with $\alpha = 1$, choose $C_2 \in \mathbb{U}(\Delta_2)$ and define the induced compressor with

$$C(\mathbf{x}) = C_1(\mathbf{x}) + C_2(\mathbf{x} - C_1(\mathbf{x})) \quad (10)$$

The induced compressor C satisfies $C \in \mathbb{U}(\mathbf{x})$ with $\Delta = \Delta_2 + \frac{1-\Delta_2}{\Delta_1}$.

Remark 3. We note that if $\Delta_2 \geq 1$ and $\Delta_1 \leq 1$, we have $\Delta = \Delta_2 + \frac{1-\Delta_2}{\Delta_1} \leq \Delta_2$

Using this concept of the induced compressor we introduce the following:

Corollary 1. Based on Lemma 3 and defining

$$\text{HEAPRIX}(\mathbf{x}) = \text{HEAVYMIX}(\mathbf{S}^{(r)}) + \text{PRIVIX}[\mathbf{S}^{(r)} - \text{HEAVYMIX}(\mathbf{S}^{(r)})] \quad (11)$$

ToDo: Revise this!

we have $C(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{U}(\mu^2 d)$.

Remark 4. We highlight that in this case if $k \rightarrow d$, then $C(\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow \mathbf{x}$ which means that your convergence algorithm can be improved by decreasing the noise of compression (with choice of bigger k).

In the following we define two general framework for different sketching algorithms for homogeneous and heterogeneous data distributions.

5 General framework for homogeneous and heterogeneous settings

5.1 Homogeneous setting

Algorithm 4 FedSKETCH(R, τ, η, γ): Private Federated Learning with Sketching.

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1: Inputs:  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$  as an initial model shared by all local devices, the number of communication rounds  $R$ , the
   the number of local updates  $\tau$ , and global and local learning rates  $\gamma$  and  $\eta$ , respectively
2: for  $r = 0, \dots, R - 1$  do
3:   parallel for device  $j = 1, \dots, n$  do:
4:     Set  $\mathbf{x}^{(r)} = \mathbf{x}^{(r-1)} - \gamma \Phi(\mathbf{S}^{(r-1)})$  ToDo: BK: compression here does not depend on device  $j$ ?
5:     Set  $\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} = \mathbf{x}^{(r)}$ 
6:     for  $c = 0, \dots, \tau - 1$  do
7:       Sample a mini-batch  $\xi_j^{(\ell,r)}$  and compute  $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(\ell,r)} \triangleq \nabla f_j(\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell,r)}, \xi_j^{(c,r)})$ 
8:        $\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell+1,r)} = \mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell,r)} - \eta \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(c,r)}$ 
9:     end for
10:    Device  $j$  sends  $\mathbf{S}_j^{(r)} \triangleq \mathbf{S}_j(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)})$  back to the server.
11:  Server computes
12:     $\mathbf{S}^{(r)} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{S}_j^{(r)}$  and broadcasts  $\mathbf{S}^{(r)}$  to all devices.
13:  end parallel for
14: end
15: Output:  $\mathbf{x}^{(R-1)}$ 

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Algorithm 5 FedSKETCH(R, τ, η, γ): Private Federated Learning with Sketching.

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1: Inputs:  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$  as an initial model shared by all local devices, the number of communication rounds  $R$ , the
   the number of local updates  $\tau$ , and global and local learning rates  $\gamma$  and  $\eta$ , respectively
2: for  $r = 0, \dots, R - 1$  do
3:   parallel for device  $j = 1, \dots, n$  do:
4:     Computes  $\Phi^{(r-1)} \triangleq \text{HEAVYMIX}(\mathbf{S}^{(r-1)}) + \text{PRIVIX} [\mathbf{S}^{(r-1)} - \tilde{\mathbf{S}}^{(r-1)}]$ 
5:     Set  $\mathbf{x}^{(r)} = \mathbf{x}^{(r-1)} - \gamma \Phi^{(r-1)}$ 
6:     Set  $\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} = \mathbf{x}^{(r)}$ 
7:     for  $c = 0, \dots, \tau - 1$  do
8:       Sample a mini-batch  $\xi_j^{(\ell,r)}$  and compute  $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(\ell,r)} \triangleq \nabla f_j(\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell,r)}, \xi_j^{(c,r)})$ 
9:        $\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell+1,r)} = \mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell,r)} - \eta \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(c,r)}$ 
10:    end for
11:    Device  $j$  sends  $\mathbf{S}_j^{(r)} \triangleq \mathbf{S}_j(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)})$  back to the server.
12:  Server computes
13:     $\mathbf{S}^{(r)} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{S}_j^{(r)}$  and broadcasts  $\mathbf{S}^{(r)}$  to all devices.
14:    Second round of communication to obtain  $\delta_j^{(r)} := \mathbf{S}_j[\text{HEAVYMIX}(\mathbf{S}^{(r)})]$ 
15:    Broadcasts  $\tilde{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)} \triangleq \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \delta_j^{(r)}$  to devices
16:  end parallel for
17: end
18: Output:  $\mathbf{x}^{(R-1)}$ 
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ToDo: revise it!

5.2 Heterogeneous setting

Algorithm 6 FedSKETCHGATE(R, τ, η, γ): Private Federated Learning with Sketching and gradient tracking.

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1: Inputs:  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = \mathbf{x}_j^{(0)}$  as an initial model shared by all local devices, the number of communication rounds  $R$ ,
   the the number of local updates  $\tau$ , and global and local learning rates  $\gamma$  and  $\eta$ , respectively
2: for  $r = 0, \dots, R - 1$  do
3:   parallel for device  $j = 1, \dots, n$  do:
4:     Set  $\mathbf{c}_j^{(r)} = \mathbf{c}_j^{(r-1)} - \frac{1}{\tau} (\Phi(\mathbf{S}^{(r-1)}) - \Phi(\mathbf{S}_j^{(r-1)}))$ 
5:     Set  $\mathbf{x}^{(r)} = \mathbf{x}^{(r-1)} - \gamma \Phi(\mathbf{S}^{(r-1)})$ 
6:     Set  $\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} = \mathbf{x}^{(r)}$ 
7:     for  $\ell = 0, \dots, \tau - 1$  do
8:       Sample a mini-batch  $\xi_j^{(\ell,r)}$  and compute  $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(\ell,r)} \triangleq \nabla f_j(\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell,r)}, \xi_j^{(\ell,r)})$ 
9:        $\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell+1,r)} = \mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell,r)} - \eta (\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(\ell,r)} - \mathbf{c}_j^{(r)})$ 
10:    end for
11:    Device  $j$  sends  $\mathbf{S}_j^{(r)} \triangleq \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)})$  back to the server.
12:  Server computes
13:     $\mathbf{S}^{(r)} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{S}_j^{(r)}$  and broadcasts  $\mathbf{S}^{(r)}$  to all devices.
14:  end parallel for
15: end
16: Output:  $\mathbf{x}^{(R-1)}$ 
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ToDo: revise it!

Algorithm 7 FedSKETCHGATE(R, τ, η, γ): Private Federated Learning with Sketching and gradient tracking.

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1: Inputs:  $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = \mathbf{x}_j^{(0)}$  as an initial model shared by all local devices, the number of communication rounds  $R$ ,
   the the number of local updates  $\tau$ , and global and local learning rates  $\gamma$  and  $\eta$ , respectively
2: for  $r = 0, \dots, R - 1$  do
3:   parallel for device  $j = 1, \dots, n$  do:
4:     Computes  $\Phi(\mathbf{S}^{(r-1)}) \triangleq \text{HEAVYMIX}(\mathbf{S}^{(r-1)}) + \text{PRIVIX} [\mathbf{S}^{(r-1)} - \tilde{\mathbf{S}}^{(r-1)}]$ 
5:     Set  $\mathbf{c}_j^{(r)} = \mathbf{c}_j^{(r-1)} - \frac{1}{\tau} \left( \Phi(\mathbf{S}^{(r-1)}) - \Phi(\mathbf{S}_j^{(r-1)}) \right)$ 
6:     Set  $\mathbf{x}^{(r)} = \mathbf{x}^{(r-1)} - \gamma \Phi(\mathbf{S}^{(r-1)})$ 
7:     Set  $\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} = \mathbf{x}^{(r)}$ 
8:     for  $\ell = 0, \dots, \tau - 1$  do
9:       Sample a mini-batch  $\xi_j^{(\ell,r)}$  and compute  $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(\ell,r)} \triangleq \nabla f_j(\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell,r)}, \xi_j^{(\ell,r)})$ 
10:       $\mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell+1,r)} = \mathbf{x}_j^{(\ell,r)} - \eta \left( \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(\ell,r)} - \mathbf{c}_j^{(r)} \right)$ 
11:    end for
12:    Device  $j$  sends  $\mathbf{S}_j^{(r)} \triangleq \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)})$  back to the server.
13:    Device  $j$  computes
        
$$\Phi(\mathbf{S}_j^{(r)}) \triangleq \text{HEAVYMIX}[\mathbf{S}_j^{(r)}] + \text{PRIVIX} [\mathbf{S}_j^{(r)} - \mathbf{S}_j^{(r)} \left( \text{HEAVYMIX}[\mathbf{S}_j^{(r)}] \right)]$$

14:  Server computes
15:     $\mathbf{S}^{(r)} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{S}_j^{(r)}$  and broadcasts  $\mathbf{S}^{(r)}$  to all devices.
16:    Second round of communication to obtain  $\delta_j^{(r)} := \mathbf{S}_j(\text{HEAVYMIX}[\mathbf{S}^{(r)}])$ 
17:    Broadcasts  $\tilde{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)} \triangleq \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \delta_j^{(r)}$  to devices
18:  end parallel for
19: end
20: Output:  $\mathbf{x}^{(R-1)}$ 

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5.3 Our algorithms for different sketching schemes

Privacy-preserving algorithm If we set $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{PRIVIX}(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}), \dots$

Communication-efficient algorithm If we set $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{HEAVYMIX}(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}), \dots$

Privacy-preserving and Communication-efficient algorithm If we set $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{HEAPRIX}(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}), \dots$

ToDo: Discuss variations and contrast with [4]!

6 Convergence Analysis

6.1 Assumptions

Assumption 2 (Smoothness and Lower Boundedness). *The local objective function $f_j(\cdot)$ of j th device is differentiable for $j \in [m]$ and L -smooth, i.e., $\|\nabla f_j(\mathbf{u}) - \nabla f_j(\mathbf{v})\| \leq L\|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|$, $\forall \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d$. Moreover, the optimal objective function $f(\cdot)$ is bounded below by $f^* = \min_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) > -\infty$.*

Assumption 3 (Polyak-Łojasiewicz). *A function $f(\mathbf{x})$ satisfies the Polyak-Łojasiewicz condition with constant μ if $\frac{1}{2}\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2 \geq \mu(f(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x}^*))$, $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ with \mathbf{x}^* is an optimal solution.*

6.2 Convergence of FEDSKETCH for homogeneous setting.

Now we focus on the homogeneous case in which the stochastic local gradient of each worker is an unbiased estimator of the global gradient.

Assumption 4 (Bounded Variance). *For all $j \in [m]$, we can sample an independent mini-batch ℓ_j of size $|\xi_j^{(\ell,r)}| = b$ and compute an unbiased stochastic gradient $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j = \nabla f_j(\mathbf{w}; \xi_j)$, $\mathbb{E}_{\xi_j}[\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j] = \nabla f(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{g}$ with the variance bounded by a constant σ^2 , i.e., $\mathbb{E}_{\xi_j}[\|\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j - \mathbf{g}\|^2] \leq \sigma^2$.*

Theorem 2. *Suppose that the conditions in Assumptions 2-4 hold. Given $0 < k = O\left(\frac{e}{\mu^2}\right) \leq d$, and Consider FedSKETCH in Algorithm 5 with sketch size $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$. If the local data distributions of all users are identical (homogeneous setting), then with probability $1 - \delta$ we have*

- **Nonconvex:**

- 1) For the case of $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{PRIVIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)$, by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{L\gamma} \sqrt{\frac{p}{R\tau\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right)}}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, the sequence of iterates satisfies $\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(r)})\|_2^2 \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1}{p\epsilon}\right)$.
- 2) For the case of $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{HEAPRIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)$, by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{L\gamma} \sqrt{\frac{p}{R\tau\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right)}}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, the sequence of iterates satisfies $\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(r)})\|_2^2 \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1}{p\epsilon}\right)$.

- **Strongly convex or PL:**

- 1) For the case of $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{PRIVIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)$, by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{2L\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right)\tau\gamma}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, we obtain that the iterates satisfy $\mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right) \kappa \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon}\right)$.
- 2) For the case of

$$\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{HEAVYMIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right) + \text{PRIVIX}\left[\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right) - \text{HEAVYMIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)\right], \quad (12)$$

by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{2L\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right)\tau\gamma}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, we obtain that the iterates satisfy $\mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right) \kappa \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon}\right)$.

- **Convex:**

- 1) For the case of $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{PRIVIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)$, by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{2L\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right)\tau\gamma}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, we obtain that the iterates satisfy $\mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\frac{L\left(1 + \frac{\mu^2 d}{p}\right)}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon^2}\right)$.
- 2) For the case of $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{HEAPRIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)$, by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{2L\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right)\tau\gamma}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, we obtain that the iterates satisfy $\mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\frac{L\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right)}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon^2}\right)$.

Corollary 2 (Total communication cost). *As a consequence of Remark ??, the total communication cost per-worker becomes*

$$O(RB) = O\left(Rk \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right) = O\left(\frac{k}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{d}{\epsilon\delta}\right)\right) \quad (13)$$

We note that this result in addition to improving over the communication complexity of federated learning of the state-of-the-art from $O\left(\frac{d}{\epsilon}\right)$ in [5, 6, 7] to $O\left(\frac{kp}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{dp}{\epsilon\delta}\right)\right)$, it also implies differential privacy. As a result, total communication cost is

$$BpR = O\left(\frac{kp}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{d}{\epsilon\delta}\right)\right).$$

Remark 5. We note that the state-of-the-art in [5] the total communication cost is

$$BpR = O\left(pd \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right) = O\left(\frac{pd}{\epsilon}\right) \quad (14)$$

We improve this result, in terms of dependency to d , to

$$BpR = O\left(\frac{kp}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{d}{\epsilon\delta}\right)\right) \quad (15)$$

In comparison to [4], we improve the total communication per worker from $RB = O\left(\frac{k}{\epsilon^2} \log\left(\frac{d}{\epsilon^2\delta}\right)\right)$ to $RB = O\left(\frac{k}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{d}{\epsilon\delta}\right)\right)$.

Remark 6. It is worthy to note that most of the available communication-efficient algorithm with quantization or compression only consider communication-efficiency from devices to server. However, Algorithm 5 also improves the communication efficiency from server to devices as well.

Remark 7 (linear speed up for PL or strongly convex). *To achieve the convergence error of ϵ , we need to have $R = O\left(\kappa\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$ and $\tau = \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$. This leads to the total communication cost per worker of*

$$BR = O\left(k\kappa\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right) \log\left(\frac{\kappa\left(\frac{\mu^2 d^2}{p} + d\right) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\delta}\right) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) \quad (16)$$

As a consequence, the total communication cost becomes:

$$BpR = O\left(k\kappa(\mu^2 d + p) \log\left(\frac{\kappa\left(\frac{\mu^2 d^2}{p} + d\right) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\delta}\right) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) \quad (17)$$

Remark 8. We note that the state-of-the-art in [5] the total communication cost is

$$BpR = O\left(\kappa pd \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right) = O\left(\kappa pd \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right) \quad (18)$$

We improve this result, in terms of dependency to d , to

$$BpR = O\left(k\kappa(\mu^2 d + p) \log\left(\frac{\kappa\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + d\right) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\delta}\right) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) \quad (19)$$

Improving from pd to $p + d$.

Reference	Objective function			UG	PP
	Nonconvex	PL/Strongly Convex	General Convex		
[4]	–	$R = O\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{\epsilon}\right)$ $\tau = 1$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{\epsilon} k \log\left(\frac{\mu^2 d^2}{\epsilon \delta}\right)\right)$	–	✗	✗
Theorem 2	$R = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{\mu^2 d + 1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(\frac{pk}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{d}{\epsilon \delta}\right)\right)$	$R = O\left(\kappa \left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right) \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(k\kappa(\mu^2 d + p) \log \frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{\kappa(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + d) \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\delta}\right)\right)$	$R = O\left(\frac{1 + \frac{\mu^2 d}{p}}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon^2}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(\frac{k}{\epsilon} \kappa(\mu^2 d + p) \log \frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{\kappa(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + d) \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\epsilon \delta}\right)\right)$	✓	✓
Theorem 2	$R = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(\frac{pk}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{d}{\epsilon \delta}\right)\right)$	$R = O\left(\kappa \left(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p} + 1\right) \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(k\kappa(\mu^2 d - 1 + p) \log \frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{\kappa(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p} + d) \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\delta}\right)\right)$	$R = O\left(\frac{1 + \frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p}}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon^2}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(\frac{k}{\epsilon} \kappa(\mu^2 d - 1 + p) \log \frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{\kappa(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p} + d) \log \frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\epsilon \delta}\right)\right)$	✓	✓

Table 1 Comparison of results with compression and periodic averaging in the homogeneous setting. Here, m is the number of devices, q is compression distortion constant, κ is condition number, ϵ is target accuracy, R is the number of communication rounds, and τ is the number of local updates. **ToDo: Continue from here!!!!!!**

6.3 Convergence of FedSKETCHGATE in data heterogeneous setting.

Assumption 5 (Bounded Local Variance). *For all $j \in [m]$, we can sample an independent mini-batch \mathcal{Z}_j of size $|\mathcal{Z}_j| = b$ and compute an unbiased stochastic gradient $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j = \nabla f_j(\mathbf{w}; \mathcal{Z}_j)$, $\mathbb{E}_\xi[\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j] = \nabla f_j(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{g}_j$. Moreover, the variance of local stochastic gradients is bounded above by a constant σ^2 , i.e., $\mathbb{E}_\xi[\|\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j - \mathbf{g}_j\|^2] \leq \sigma^2$.*

ToDo: Revise this!

Theorem 3. *Suppose that the conditions in Assumptions 2 and 5 hold. Given $0 < k = O\left(\frac{e}{\mu^2}\right) \leq d$, and Consider FedSKETCHGATE in Algorithm 6 with sketch size $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$. If the local data distributions of all users are identical (homogeneous setting), then with probability $1 - \delta$ we have*

• **Nonconvex:**

- 1) For the case of $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{PRIVIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)$, by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{L\gamma} \sqrt{\frac{p}{R\tau\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right)}}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, the sequence of iterates satisfies $\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(r)})\|_2^2 \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{\mu^2 d + 1}{p\epsilon}\right)$.
- 2) For the case of $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{HEAPRIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)$, by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{L\gamma} \sqrt{\frac{p}{R\tau\left(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p} + 1\right)}}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, the sequence of iterates satisfies $\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{w}^{(r)})\|_2^2 \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p\epsilon}\right)$.

• **PL or Strongly convex:**

- 1) For the case of $\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{PRIVIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)$, by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{2L\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right)\tau\gamma}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, we obtain that the iterates satisfy $\mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right) \kappa \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon}\right)$.
- 2) For the case of

$$\Phi_{j,\mathbf{S}} = \text{HEAVYMIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right) + \text{PRIVIX}\left[\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right) - \text{HEAVYMIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)\right], \quad (20)$$

by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{2L\left(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p} + 1\right)\tau\gamma}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, we obtain that the iterates satisfy $\mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\left(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p} + 1\right) \kappa \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon}\right)$.

Reference	Objective function			UG	PP
	Nonconvex	PL/Strongly Convex	General Convex		
[3]	–	–	$R = O\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{\epsilon^2}\right)$ $\tau = 1$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pRB = O\left(\frac{p\mu^2 d}{\epsilon^2} k \log\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{\epsilon^2}\right)\right)$	✗	✓
[5]	$R = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O(d)$ $pRB = O\left(\frac{pd}{\epsilon}\right)$	$R = O\left(\kappa \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O(d)$ $pRB = O(p\kappa d \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right))$	$R = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O(d)$ $pRB = O\left(\frac{pd}{\epsilon}\right)$	✓	✗
Theorem 2	$R = O\left(\frac{\mu^2 d + 1}{\epsilon}\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(\frac{pk}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{d}{\epsilon\delta}\right)\right)$	$R = O\left(\kappa \left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right) \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(k\kappa(\mu^2 d + p) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{\kappa(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + d) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\delta}\right)\right)$	$R = O\left(\frac{1 + \frac{\mu^2 d}{\epsilon}}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon^2}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(\frac{k}{\epsilon} \kappa(\mu^2 d + p) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{\kappa(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + d) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\epsilon\delta}\right)\right)$	✓	✓
Theorem 3	$R = O\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{\epsilon}\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(\frac{p\mu^2 dk}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{\mu^2 d^2}{\epsilon\delta}\right)\right)$	$R = O\left(\kappa(\mu^2 d) \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{p\epsilon}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(k\kappa(\mu^2 d - 1 + p) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{\kappa(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{\delta} + d) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\delta}\right)\right)$	$R = O\left(\frac{1 + \frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{\epsilon}}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon^2}\right)$ $B = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$ $pBR = O\left(\frac{k}{\epsilon} \kappa(\mu^2 d - 1 + p) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{\kappa(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p} + d) \log\frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\epsilon\delta}\right)\right)$	✓	✓

Table 2 Comparison of results with compression and periodic averaging in the homogeneous setting. Here, m is the number of devices, q is compression distortion constant, κ is condition number, ϵ is target accuracy, R is the number of communication rounds, and τ is the number of local updates. **ToDo: Fixing non-convex results!**

• **Convex:**

- 1) For the case of $\Phi_{j,S} = \text{PRIVIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)$, by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{2L\left(\frac{\mu^2 d}{p} + 1\right)\tau\gamma}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, we obtain that the iterates satisfy $\mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\frac{L\left(1 + \frac{\mu^2 d}{p}\right)}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon^2}\right)$.
- 2) For the case of $\Phi_{j,S} = \text{HEAPRIX}\left(\mathbf{x}_j^{(0,r)} - \mathbf{x}_j^{(\tau,r)}\right)$, by choosing stepsizes as $\eta = \frac{1}{2L\left(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p} + 1\right)\tau\gamma}$ and $\gamma \geq m$, we obtain that the iterates satisfy $\mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] \leq \epsilon$ if we set $R = O\left(\frac{L\left(\frac{\mu^2 d - 1}{p} + 1\right)}{\epsilon} \log\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ and $\tau = O\left(\frac{1}{m\epsilon^2}\right)$.

ToDo: TBA...

6.4 Convergence of FEDSKETCH in data homogeneous setting.

We note that the main issue with Assumption ?? is that since $d \neq 0$, you can not improve the convergence analysis. For this purpose, we propose Algorithm ??, where the proposed algorithm is not differentially private.

In this case, we use a different assumption as follows:

Remark 9. Main distinction of Assumption ?? from ?? is that first we do not need unbiased estimation of compression. Additionally, unlike Assumption ??, if you let $k = d$, we have $\mathbf{x} = \text{Comp}_{k=d}(\mathbf{x})$.

We note that Algorithm ?? satisfies this Assumption ?? as shown in [4].

Theorem 4 (General non-convex). Given $0 < k = O\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\mu^2}\right) \leq d$ and running Algorithm 5 with sketch of size $c = O\left(k \log\left(\frac{dR}{\delta}\right)\right)$, under Assumptions 2 and ??, if

$$L^2 \eta^2 \tau^2 + mL\tau\eta\left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) + 2\gamma L\eta\tau\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) - 1 \leq 0, \eta > \frac{1}{mL\tau}, \quad (21)$$

with probability at least $1 - \delta$, we have:

$$\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 \leq \frac{2\mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{(*)})\right]}{R\tau\gamma\left(\eta - \frac{1}{\tau mL}\right)} + \frac{2\eta^2 \gamma L\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \frac{\sigma^2}{p}}{\left(\eta - \frac{1}{\tau mL}\right)} + \frac{\eta^3 L^2 \tau}{\left(\eta - \frac{1}{\tau mL}\right)} \sigma^2 \quad (22)$$

Remark 10 ($k = d$). *ToDo: TBA...*

Corollary 3 (Learning rate range). *Condition in Eq. (??) can further simplified as*

$$\frac{1}{mL\tau} < \eta \leq \frac{-\left(m - \frac{mk}{d} + 4\gamma - \frac{2\gamma k}{d}\right) + \sqrt{\left(m - \frac{mk}{d} + 4\gamma - \frac{2\gamma k}{d}\right)^2 + 4}}{2L\tau} \quad (23)$$

We note that m is a hyperparameter that we choose to pick the feasible range for learning rate. Now, if you set $\eta = \frac{1}{\gamma L} \sqrt{\frac{p}{R\tau(2-\frac{k}{d})}}$ which implies the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \quad \frac{1}{mL\tau} < \frac{1}{\gamma L} \sqrt{\frac{p}{R\tau(2-\frac{k}{d})}} &\implies R < \frac{m^2 p \tau}{\gamma^2 (2-\frac{k}{d})} \\ \bullet \quad \frac{1}{\gamma L} \sqrt{\frac{p}{R\tau(2-\frac{k}{d})}} &\leq \frac{-(m - \frac{mk}{d} + 4\gamma - \frac{2\gamma k}{d}) + \sqrt{(m - \frac{mk}{d} + 4\gamma - \frac{2\gamma k}{d})^2 + 4}}{2L\tau} \implies R \geq \frac{p\tau}{\gamma^2 (2-\frac{k}{d}) \left(-(m - \frac{mk}{d} + 4\gamma - \frac{2\gamma k}{d}) + \sqrt{(m - \frac{mk}{d} + 4\gamma - \frac{2\gamma k}{d})^2 + 4} \right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have the following range for the choice of R :

$$\frac{p\tau}{\gamma^2 (2-\frac{k}{d}) \left(-(m - \frac{mk}{d} + 4\gamma - \frac{2\gamma k}{d}) + \sqrt{(m - \frac{mk}{d} + 4\gamma - \frac{2\gamma k}{d})^2 + 4} \right)^2} \leq R < \frac{m^2 p \tau}{\gamma^2 (2-\frac{k}{d})} \quad (24)$$

Corollary 4. *Based on Corollary ??, if we choose $\eta = \frac{1}{\gamma} \sqrt{\frac{p}{R\tau(2-\frac{k}{d})}} = \frac{n}{mL\tau}$ which also implies $R = \frac{m^2 p \tau}{\gamma^2 n^2 (2-\frac{k}{d})}$ with $1 < n < m$, then we have:*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 &\leq \frac{2\mathbb{E}[f(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{(*)})]}{R\tau\gamma\left(\frac{n-1}{m\tau L}\right)} + \frac{2n^2\gamma L\left(2-\frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{\sigma^2}{p}}{m^2\tau^2 L^2\left(\frac{n-1}{m\tau L}\right)} + \frac{n^3 L^2 \tau}{m^3 \tau^3 L^3\left(\frac{n-1}{m\tau L}\right)} \sigma^2 \\ &= \frac{2mL\mathbb{E}[f(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{(*)})]}{(n-1)R\gamma} + \frac{2n^2\gamma\left(2-\frac{k}{d}\right)\sigma^2}{m(n-1)p\tau} + \frac{n^3\sigma^2}{m^2(n-1)\tau} \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Based on relation $R = \frac{m^2 p \tau}{\gamma^2 n^2 (2-\frac{k}{d})}$ if we choose $\tau = \frac{(2-\frac{k}{d})}{p\epsilon}$ and $m = np$ and $\gamma = m$ we have:

$$R = \frac{1}{n^2 \epsilon}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 \leq \frac{2\epsilon L \mathbb{E}[f(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{(*)})]}{(n-1)} + \frac{2n\epsilon\sigma^2}{p(n-1)} + \frac{n\epsilon\sigma^2}{p(n-1)\left(2-\frac{k}{d}\right)} \quad (26)$$

Theorem 5 (PL/strongly-convex). *Given $0 < k = O\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\mu^2}\right) \leq d$ and running Algorithm 5 with sketch of size $c = O(k \log \frac{dR}{\delta})$, under Assumptions 2 and ??, if*

$$L^2 \eta^2 \tau^2 + mL\tau\eta \left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) + 2\gamma L\eta\tau \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) - 1 \leq 0, \quad \eta > \frac{1}{mL\tau}, \quad (27)$$

with probability at least $1-\delta$, Then for the choice of $\eta = \frac{n}{mL\tau}$, for $m > n > 1$, and the choice of $d\left(1 - \frac{1}{3n}\right) \leq k \leq d$ with probability $1-\delta$, we obtain:

$$\mathbb{E}[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})] \leq \exp\left(-\left(\frac{\gamma(n-1)R}{m\kappa}\right)\right) [f(\mathbf{w}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})] + \frac{\left(\frac{n^3}{2m^2} + \frac{n^2}{p}\gamma L\left(2-\frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{1}{p}\right)}{\mu\tau(n-1)} \sigma^2 \quad (28)$$

7 Experiments

8 Conclusion

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A Appendix

B Proof of main Theorems

B.1 Proof of Theorem 2

B.2 Proof of Theorem 3

The following Lemma will be useful in our proof.

Lemma 4. *If you define $Q \triangleq 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{ad^2}{2}}\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{256a}{27e^3d^4}}}$ and*

$$x \leq -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{1}{3a}\left(Q - \frac{12a}{eQ}\right)} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{4}{eQ} - \frac{Q}{3a} + \frac{2d\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{a}\sqrt{Q - \frac{12a}{eQ}}}}$$

then for positive constants $a, d, c \geq 0$, we have:

$$ax^4 + dx - \frac{1}{e} \leq 0 \quad (29)$$

Proof. We use the results in [8] with $b = c = 0$ and $p = 0, q = \frac{d}{a}$. In this case, the only real valued root is

$$\begin{aligned} x &= -S + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{-4S^2 + \frac{d}{aS}}, \text{ and } S = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{1}{3a}\left(Q - \frac{12a}{eQ}\right)} \\ \Rightarrow x &= -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{1}{3a}\left(Q - \frac{12a}{eQ}\right)} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{4}{eQ} - \frac{Q}{3a} + \frac{2d\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{a}\sqrt{Q - \frac{12a}{eQ}}}} \\ Q &= \sqrt[3]{\frac{27ad^2 + \sqrt{(27ad^2)^2 + 4\left(\frac{12a}{e}\right)^3}}{2}} = 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{ad^2}{2}}\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{256a}{27e^3d^4}}} \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Therefore, we have with $Q = 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{ad^2}{2}}\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{256a}{27e^3d^4}}}$:

$$x \leq -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{1}{3a}\left(Q - \frac{12a}{eQ}\right)} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{4}{eQ} - \frac{Q}{3a} + \frac{2d\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{a}\sqrt{Q - \frac{12a}{eQ}}}} \quad (31)$$

□

Next, consider the following condition in [1]:

$$(10\gamma^2 L^4 \tau^4) \eta^4 + (L\gamma\tau) \eta - \frac{1}{q+1} \leq 0 \quad (32)$$

where $a = 10\gamma^2 L^4 \tau^4, d = L\gamma\tau$ and $e = q + 1$, in this case

$$Q = 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}}\gamma^{\frac{4}{3}}L^2\tau^2 \underbrace{\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{2560}{27\gamma^2(q+1)^3}}}}_{\triangleq C} = 3\sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}}\gamma^{\frac{4}{3}}L^2\tau^2 C \quad (33)$$

Then we have:

$$x \leq -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{1}{3a}\left(Q - \frac{12a}{eQ}\right)} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{4}{eQ} - \frac{Q}{3a} + \frac{2d\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{a}\sqrt{Q - \frac{12a}{eQ}}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} \gamma^{\frac{4}{3}} L^2 \tau^2 C}{30 \gamma^2 L^4 \tau^4} - \frac{4}{(q+1) 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} \gamma^{\frac{4}{3}} L^2 \tau^2 C}} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{4}{(q+1) 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} \gamma^{\frac{4}{3}} L^2 \tau^2 C} - \frac{3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} \gamma^{\frac{4}{3}} L^2 \tau^2 C}{30 \gamma^2 L^4 \tau^4} + \frac{2L\gamma\tau\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{10\gamma^2 L^4 \tau^4} \sqrt{3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} \gamma^{\frac{4}{3}} L^2 \tau^2 C - \frac{120\gamma^2 L^4 \tau^4}{(q+1) 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} \gamma^{\frac{4}{3}} L^2 \tau^2 C}}}} \\
&= \frac{1}{2L\tau\gamma^{\frac{1}{3}}} \left(\sqrt{\frac{4}{(q+1) 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} \gamma^{\frac{2}{3}} C} - \frac{\sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} C}{10} + \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{10} \sqrt{3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} C - \frac{40}{(q+1) \gamma^{\frac{2}{3}} \sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} C}}}} - \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} C}{10} - \frac{4}{(q+1) 3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{10}{2}} \gamma^{\frac{2}{3}} C}} \right)
\end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

C Convergence result for FEDSKETCH without memory

From the L -smoothness gradient assumption on global objective, by using $\mathbf{S}^{(r)} = \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)}$ in inequality (??) we have:

$$f(\mathbf{x}^{(r+1)}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \leq -\gamma \langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}), \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \rangle + \frac{\gamma^2 L}{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)}\|^2 \tag{35}$$

We define the following:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)} = \frac{\eta}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{S} \left[\sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(c,r)} \right] \tag{36}$$

Additionally, we define an auxiliary variable as

$$\tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} = \frac{\eta}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \left[\sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(c,r)} \right] \tag{37}$$

By taking expectation on both sides of above inequality over sampling, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[f(\mathbf{x}^{(r+1)}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right] \right] &\leq -\gamma \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[\langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}), \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)} \rangle \right] \right] + \frac{\gamma^2 L}{2} \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \|\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)}\|^2 \right] \\
&= -\gamma \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[\langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}), \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \rangle \right] \right] + \gamma \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[\langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}), \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} - \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)} \rangle \right] \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{\gamma^2 L}{2} \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \|\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)} - \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} + \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)}\|^2 \right] \\
&\stackrel{(a)}{=} -\gamma \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[\langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}), \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \rangle \right] \right] + \gamma \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[\langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}), \mathbf{g}^{(r)} - \mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)} \rangle \right] \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{\gamma^2 L}{2} \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \|\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)} - \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} + \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)}\|^2 \right] \\
&\stackrel{(b)}{\leq} -\gamma \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[\langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}), \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \rangle \right] \right] + \frac{\gamma}{2} \left[\frac{1}{mL} \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 + mL \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[\left\| \mathbf{g}^{(r)} - \mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2 \right] \right] \\
&\quad + \gamma^2 L \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\mathbf{S}}^{(r)} - \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \right\| + \left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \right\|^2 \right] \\
&\stackrel{(c)}{\leq} -\gamma \mathbb{E} \left[\langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}), \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \rangle \right] + \frac{\gamma}{2} \left[\frac{1}{mL} \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 + mL \left(1 - \frac{k}{d} \right) \left\| \mathbf{g}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2 \right] \\
&\quad + \gamma^2 L \mathbb{E} \left[\left(1 - \frac{k}{d} \right) \left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2 + \left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2 \right] \\
&\stackrel{(d)}{=} \underbrace{-\gamma \mathbb{E} \left[\langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}), \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \rangle \right]}_{(I)} + \frac{\gamma}{2mL} \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 + \frac{mL\gamma}{2} \left(1 - \frac{k}{d} \right) \underbrace{\left\| \mathbf{g}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2}_{(II)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$+ \gamma^2 L \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \underbrace{\mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2 \right]}_{\text{(III)}} \quad (38)$$

To bound term (I) in Eq. (38) we use the combination of Lemmas ?? and ?? we obtain:

$$-\gamma \mathbb{E} \left[\langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}), \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \rangle \right] \leq \frac{\gamma}{2} \eta \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \left[-\left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 - \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell, r)} \right\|_2^2 + L^2 \eta^2 \sum_{\ell=0}^{\tau-1} \left[\tau \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell, r)} \right\|_2^2 + \sigma^2 \right] \right] \quad (39)$$

Term (II) can be bounded simply as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \mathbf{g}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2 &= \left\| \frac{\eta}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \left[\sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right] \right\|_2^2 \\ &\leq \frac{\tau \eta^2}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right\|_2^2 \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

Next we bound term (III) using the following lemma:

Lemma 5.

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2 \right] \leq \frac{\eta^2 \tau}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right\|_2^2 + \frac{\eta^2 \tau}{p} \sigma^2 \quad (41)$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2 \right] &= \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} - \mathbb{E} \left[\tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \right] \right\|_2^2 \right] + \left\| \mathbb{E} \left[\tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} \right] \right\|_2^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}^{(r)} - \mathbf{g}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2 \right] + \left\| \mathbf{g}^{(r)} \right\|_2^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \frac{\eta}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \left[\sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(c, r)} \right] - \frac{\eta}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \left[\sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right] \right\|_2^2 \right] + \left\| \frac{\eta}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \left[\sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right] \right\|_2^2 \\ &= \frac{\eta^2}{p^2} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(c, r)} - \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right\|_2^2 \right] + \left\| \frac{\eta}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \left[\sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right] \right\|_2^2 \\ &\leq \frac{\eta^2}{p^2} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_j^{(c, r)} - \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right\|_2^2 \right] + \frac{\eta^2 \tau}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right\|_2^2 \\ &\leq \frac{\eta^2}{p^2} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \sigma^2 + \frac{\eta^2 \tau}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right\|_2^2 \\ &= \frac{\eta^2 \tau}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{c=0}^{\tau-1} \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(c, r)} \right\|_2^2 + \frac{\eta^2 \tau}{p} \sigma^2 \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

□

Next, we put all the pieces together as follows:

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[f(\mathbf{x}^{(r+1)}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right] \right] \leq \frac{\gamma}{2} \eta \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{\ell=0}^{\tau-1} \left[-\left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 - \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell, r)} \right\|_2^2 + L^2 \eta^2 \sum_{\ell=0}^{\tau-1} \left[\tau \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell, r)} \right\|_2^2 + \sigma^2 \right] \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{\gamma}{2mL} \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 + \frac{mL\gamma}{2} \left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \frac{\tau\eta^2}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{\ell=0}^{\tau-1} \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell,r)} \right\|_2^2 \\
& + \gamma^2 L \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \left[\frac{\eta^2\tau}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{\ell=0}^{\tau-1} \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell,r)} \right\|_2^2 + \frac{\eta^2\tau}{p} \sigma^2 \right] \\
& = -\frac{\tau\eta\gamma}{2} \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 + \frac{\gamma}{2} \eta \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{\ell=0}^{\tau-1} \left[-\left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell,r)} \right\|_2^2 + L^2 \eta^2 \tau^2 \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell,r)} \right\|_2^2 \right] + \frac{\gamma\eta^3 L^2 \tau^2}{2} \sigma^2 \\
& + \frac{\gamma}{2mL} \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 + \frac{mL\gamma}{2} \left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \frac{\tau\eta^2}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{\ell=0}^{\tau-1} \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell,r)} \right\|_2^2 \\
& + \gamma^2 L \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \frac{\eta^2\tau}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{\ell=0}^{\tau-1} \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell,r)} \right\|_2^2 + \gamma^2 L \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \frac{\eta^2\tau}{p} \sigma^2 \\
& = -\left(\frac{\tau\eta\gamma}{2} - \frac{\gamma}{2mL}\right) \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 \\
& - \left(\frac{\eta\gamma}{2} - \frac{\eta\gamma}{2} (L^2 \eta^2 \tau^2) - \frac{mL\eta\gamma}{2} \left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \tau\eta - \gamma^2 L \eta^2 \tau \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right)\right) \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{\ell=0}^{\tau-1} \left\| \mathbf{g}_j^{(\ell,r)} \right\|_2^2 \\
& + \frac{\gamma\eta^3 L^2 \tau^2}{2} \sigma^2 + \gamma^2 L \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \frac{\eta^2\tau}{p} \sigma^2 \\
& \stackrel{(a)}{\leq} -\left(\frac{\tau\eta\gamma}{2} - \frac{\gamma}{2mL}\right) \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 + \frac{\gamma\eta^3 L^2 \tau^2}{2} \sigma^2 + \tau\eta^2 \gamma^2 L \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \frac{\sigma^2}{p} \tag{43}
\end{aligned}$$

where (a) follows from the learning rate choices of

$$\frac{\eta\gamma}{2} - \frac{\eta\gamma}{2} (L^2 \eta^2 \tau^2) - \frac{mL\eta\gamma}{2} \left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \tau\eta - \gamma^2 L \eta^2 \tau \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \geq 0 \tag{44}$$

which can be simplified further as follows:

$$1 - L^2 \eta^2 \tau^2 - mL\tau\eta \left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) - 2\gamma L\eta\tau \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \geq 0 \tag{45}$$

Then using Eq. (43) we obtain:

$$\frac{\tau\gamma}{2} \left(\eta - \frac{1}{\tau mL}\right) \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 \leq \mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[f(\mathbf{x}^{(r+1)}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right] \right] + \tau\eta^2 \gamma^2 L \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \frac{\sigma^2}{p} + \frac{\gamma\eta^3 L^2 \tau^2}{2} \sigma^2 \tag{46}$$

which leads to the following bound:

$$\left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 \leq \frac{2\mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[f(\mathbf{x}^{(r+1)}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right] \right]}{\tau\gamma \left(\eta - \frac{1}{\tau mL}\right)} + \frac{2\eta^2 \gamma L \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \frac{\sigma^2}{p}}{\left(\eta - \frac{1}{\tau mL}\right)} + \frac{\eta^3 L^2 \tau}{\left(\eta - \frac{1}{\tau mL}\right)} \sigma^2 \tag{47}$$

Now averaging over r communication rounds we achieve:

$$\frac{1}{R} \sum_{r=0}^{R-1} \left\| \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)}) \right\|_2^2 \leq \frac{2\mathbb{E} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{S}} \left[f(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{(*)}) \right] \right]}{R\tau\gamma \left(\eta - \frac{1}{\tau mL}\right)} + \frac{2\eta^2 \gamma L \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \frac{\sigma^2}{p}}{\left(\eta - \frac{1}{\tau mL}\right)} + \frac{\eta^3 L^2 \tau}{\left(\eta - \frac{1}{\tau mL}\right)} \sigma^2 \tag{48}$$

We note that for this case we have the following conditions over learning rate:

$$L^2 \eta^2 \tau^2 + mL\tau\eta \left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) + 2\gamma L\eta\tau \left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \leq 1, \eta > \frac{1}{mL\tau}, \tag{49}$$

C.1 Proof of Theorem ??

From Eq. (43) under condition with:

$$L^2\eta^2\tau^2 + mL\tau\eta\left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) + 2\gamma L\eta\tau\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \leq 1, \quad (50)$$

we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(r+1)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(r)})\right] &\leq -\left(\frac{\tau\eta\gamma}{2} - \frac{\gamma}{2mL}\right)\left\|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{(r)})\right\|_2^2 + \frac{\gamma\eta^3L^2\tau^2}{2}\sigma^2 + \tau\eta^2\gamma^2L\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{\sigma^2}{p} \\ &\stackrel{(PL)}{\leq} -\left(\tau\mu\eta\gamma - \frac{\mu\gamma}{mL}\right)\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(r)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] + \frac{\gamma\eta^3L^2\tau^2}{2}\sigma^2 + \tau\eta^2\gamma^2L\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{\sigma^2}{p} \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

which leads to the following bound:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(r+1)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] \leq \left(1 - \eta\mu\gamma\tau + \frac{\mu\gamma}{mL}\right)\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(r)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] + \frac{\gamma\eta^3L^2\tau^2}{2}\sigma^2 + \tau\eta^2\gamma^2L\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{\sigma^2}{p} \quad (52)$$

which leads to the following bound by setting $\Delta \triangleq 1 - \eta\mu\gamma\tau + \frac{\mu\gamma}{mL} = 1 - \mu\gamma\tau\left(\eta - \frac{1}{mL\tau}\right)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] &\leq \Delta^R\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] + \frac{1 - \Delta^R}{1 - \Delta}\left(\frac{\gamma\eta^3L^2\tau^2}{2}\sigma^2 + \tau\eta^2\gamma^2L\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{\sigma^2}{p}\right) \\ &\leq \Delta^R\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] + \frac{1}{1 - \Delta}\left(\frac{\gamma\eta^3L^2\tau^2}{2}\sigma^2 + \tau\eta^2\gamma^2L\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{\sigma^2}{p}\right) \\ &= \left(1 - \mu\gamma\tau\left(\eta - \frac{1}{mL\tau}\right)\right)^R\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] + \frac{\left(\frac{\gamma\eta^3L^2\tau^2}{2}\sigma^2 + \tau\eta^2\gamma^2L\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{\sigma^2}{p}\right)}{\mu\gamma\tau\left(\eta - \frac{1}{mL\tau}\right)} \\ &\leq \exp - \left(\mu\gamma\tau\left(\eta - \frac{1}{mL\tau}\right)R\right)\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] + \frac{\left(\frac{\gamma\eta^3L^2\tau^2}{2}\sigma^2 + \tau\eta^2\gamma^2L\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{\sigma^2}{p}\right)}{\mu\gamma\left(\eta - \frac{1}{mL\tau}\right)} \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

Then for the choice of $\eta = \frac{n}{mL\tau}$, for $m > n > 1$, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(R)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] &\leq \exp - \left(\frac{\gamma(n-1)R}{m\kappa}\right)\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] + \frac{\left(\frac{\gamma n^3L^2\tau}{2m^3L^3\tau^3}\sigma^2 + \frac{n^2}{m^2L^2\tau^2}\gamma^2L\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{\sigma^2}{p}\right)}{\mu\gamma\left(\frac{n-1}{mL\tau}\right)} \\ &= \exp - \left(\frac{\gamma(n-1)R}{m\kappa}\right)\left[f(\mathbf{w}^{(0)}) - f(\mathbf{w}^{(*)})\right] + \frac{\left(\frac{n^3}{2m^2} + \frac{n^2}{m}\gamma L\left(2 - \frac{k}{d}\right)\frac{1}{p}\right)}{\mu\tau(n-1)}\sigma^2 \end{aligned} \quad (54)$$

We note that regarding condition in Eq. (50), if we let $\eta = \frac{n}{mL\tau}$ for $m > n > 1$, we need to satisfy the following condition:

$$\frac{n^2}{m^2} + n\left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) + \frac{2n\gamma\left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right)}{m} \leq 1 \quad (55)$$

Now if you let $\gamma = \frac{m}{2}$, we need to impose the following condition over k and d as follows:

$$n\left(1 - \frac{k}{d}\right) \leq \frac{1}{3} \implies d\left(1 - \frac{1}{3n}\right) \leq k \leq d \quad (56)$$

ToDo: Will fix these later!