

7 APPENDIX

In the anonymous appendix, we give the detailed convergence analyses of AsyREVEL algorithms (i.e., Theorems 2 and 3 in the submitted manuscript). First, we introduce some notations necessary for the proof. Let $m \in \{0, [q]\}$, we define

$$\begin{aligned} V_m^t &:= \nabla_m f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t), \quad v_m^t := \nabla_m f_{i, \mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) \\ \bar{v}_m^t &:= \nabla_m f_{i, \mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau_t}), \quad \hat{v}_0^t := \hat{\nabla}_{w_0} f_{i_t}(w_0, \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau_t}; y_{i_t}) \\ \hat{v}_{m_t}^t &:= \begin{cases} \hat{\nabla}_{w_m} f_{i_t}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau_t}; y_{i_t}), & \text{if } m = m_t \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases} \quad ; \quad m \in [q] \\ \hat{\mathbf{w}} &:= [w_1^{t-\tau_t^1}; \dots; w_q^{t-\tau_t^1}] \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

We define $f_{\mu_m} = \mathbb{E}_{u_m \in \mathcal{D}}[f(w_m + \mu_m u_m)]$, where \mathcal{D} is a multiple variants Gaussian distribution with unit variance and zero mean for AsyREVEL-Gau or a uniform distribution over a unit ball for AsyREVEL-Uni. We define

$$f_\mu = \mathbb{E}_{u_0, \dots, u_q \in \mathcal{D}}[f(w_0 + \mu_0 u_0, \dots, w_q + \mu_q u_q)]$$

LEMMA 1. *Suppose that Assumption 2 holds, then we have*

1) f_{μ_m} is L_m -smooth and f_μ is L -smooth

$$\nabla_m f_{\mu_m} = \mathbb{E}_{u_m}[\hat{\nabla}_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w})], \quad \nabla f_\mu = \mathbb{E}_u[\hat{\nabla} f(w_0, \mathbf{w})] \quad (14)$$

where $\hat{\nabla}_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w})$ is given by Eq. (6).

2) For any $w_m \in \mathbb{R}^{d_m}$,

$$|f_{\mu_m}(w_m) - f(w_m)| \leq \frac{L_m d_m \mu_m^2}{2} \quad (15)$$

$$\|\nabla_m f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w}) - \nabla_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|_2^2 \leq \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3}{4}, \quad (16)$$

$$\mathbb{E}_u \left[\|\hat{\nabla}_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|_2^2 \right] \leq 2(d_m + 4) \|\nabla_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|_2^2 + \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 6)^3}{2}. \quad (17)$$

3) For any $w_m \in \mathbb{R}^{d_m}$,

$$\mathbb{E}_u \left[\|\hat{\nabla}_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w}) - \nabla_m f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|_2^2 \right] \leq 2(2d_m + 9) \|\nabla_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|_2^2 + \mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 6)^3. \quad (18)$$

LEMMA 2. *Under Assumptions 1 to 4, for $m = 0, 1, \dots, q$ there is*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t\|^2 &= \mathbb{E} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - \bar{v}_{m_t}^t + \bar{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t\|^2 \\ &\leq 2\mathbb{E} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - \bar{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2 + 2\mathbb{E} \|\bar{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t\|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{\mu_m^2 L_{m_t}^2 (d_{m_t} + 3)^3}{2} + 2L^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2 &= \mathbb{E} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t + v_{m_t}^t\|^2 \\ &\leq 2\mathbb{E} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t\|^2 + 2\mathbb{E} \|v_{m_t}^t\|^2 \\ &\leq \mu_m^2 L_{m_t}^2 d_{m_t}^2 + 4L^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 + 2\mathbb{E} \|v_{m_t}^t\|^2 \\ &\leq 3\mu_m^2 L_{m_t}^2 (d_{m_t} + 3)^3 + 4L^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 + 4\sigma_{m_t}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

PROOF. Under Assumption 2, and taking expectation w.r.t. the sample index i_t , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbb{E} f_{\mu_m}(w_0^{t+1}, \mathbf{w}^{t+1}) \\ &= \mathbb{E} (f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t - \eta_0 \hat{v}_0^t, \dots, w_{m_t}^t - \eta_{m_t} \hat{v}_{m_t}^t, \dots)) \\ &\leq \mathbb{E} \left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \eta_0 \langle V_0^t, \hat{v}_0^t \rangle - \eta_{m_t} \langle V_{m_t}^t, \hat{v}_{m_t}^t \rangle + \frac{L\eta_0^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_0^t\|^2 + \frac{L\eta_{m_t}^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2 \right) \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \eta_0 \langle V_0^t, \hat{v}_0^t - v_0^t + v_0^t \rangle - \eta_{m_t} \langle V_{m_t}^t, \hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t + v_{m_t}^t \rangle + \frac{L\eta_0^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_0^t\|^2 + \frac{L\eta_{m_t}^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2 \right) \\ &\leq \mathbb{E} \left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \eta_0 \|V_0^t\|^2 - \eta_0 \langle V_0^t, \hat{v}_0^t - v_0^t \rangle - \eta_{m_t} \|V_{m_t}^t\|^2 - \eta_{m_t} \langle V_{m_t}^t, \hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t \rangle + \frac{L\eta_0^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_0^t\|^2 + \frac{L\eta_{m_t}^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \mathbb{E} \left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \frac{\eta_0}{2} \|V_0^t\|^2 + \frac{\eta_0}{2} \|\hat{v}_0^t - v_0^t\|^2 - \frac{\eta_{m_t}}{2} \|V_{m_t}^t\|^2 + \frac{\eta_{m_t}}{2} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t\|^2 + \frac{L\eta_0^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_0^t\|^2 + \frac{L\eta_{m_t}^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2 \right) \\
&\leq \mathbb{E} \left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \frac{\eta_0}{2} \|V_0^t\|^2 - \frac{\eta_{m_t}}{2} \|V_{m_t}^t\|^2 + (\eta_0 + \eta_{m_t} + 2L\eta_0^2 + 2L\eta_{m_t}^2)L^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 \right) \\
&+ \left(\frac{\eta_{m_t}}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_{m_t}^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_{m_t}^2 (d_{m_t} + 3)^3 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 (d_0 + 3)^3 + 2L\eta_{m_t}^2 \sigma_{m_t}^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2
\end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Taking expectation w.r.t. m_t , and using Assumption 3, there is

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathbb{E} f_{\mu_m}(w_0^{t+1}, \mathbf{w}^{t+1}) \\
&\leq \mathbb{E} f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \frac{\eta_0}{2} \mathbb{E} \|V_0^t\|^2 - \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \frac{\eta_m}{2} \mathbb{E} \|V_m^t\|^2 + \underbrace{(\eta_0 + 2L\eta_0^2 + \max_m(2L\eta_m^2 + \eta_m))L^2}_{\beta^t} \mathbb{E} \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 \\
&+ \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta_m}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_m^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 (d_0 + 3)^3 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m 2L\eta_m^2 \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2
\end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

According to Assumption 4, there is

$$\|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 = \left\| \sum_{i \in D(t)} \mathbf{w}^{i+1} - \mathbf{w}^i \right\|^2 \leq \tau \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 \tag{23}$$

We then bound the term $\|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2$. First, for $\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1} - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2$

$$\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1} - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 = \mathbb{E} \eta_{m_t}^2 \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^2\| \leq \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta_m^2 (3\mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3 + 4\sigma_m^2) + \max_m \eta_m^2 4L^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 \tag{24}$$

Define a Lyapunov function as

$$M^t = f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) + \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \theta_i \|\mathbf{w}^{i+1} - \mathbf{w}^i\|^2 \tag{25}$$

Following Lemma 1 and Eq. 25, there is

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathbb{E}(M^{t+1} - M^t) \\
&= \mathbb{E} \left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^{t+1}, \mathbf{w}^{t+1}) + \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \theta_i \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t+1-i}\|^2 - f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \theta_i \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 \right) \\
&= -\frac{\eta_0}{2} \mathbb{E} \|V_0^t\|^2 - \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \frac{\eta_m}{2} \mathbb{E} \|V_m^t\|^2 + \beta^t \mathbb{E} \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m 2L\eta_m^2 \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2 \\
&+ \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta_m}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_m^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 (d_0 + 3)^3 \\
&+ \theta_1 \mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1} - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{\tau-1} (\theta_{i+1} - \theta_i) \mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 - \theta_{\tau} \mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-\tau} - \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau}\|^2 \\
&\leq -\frac{\eta_0}{2} \mathbb{E} \|V_0^t\|^2 - \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \frac{\eta_m}{2} \mathbb{E} \|V_m^t\|^2 + \beta^t \tau \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m 2L\eta_m^2 \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2 \\
&+ \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta_m}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_m^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 (d_0 + 3)^3 \\
&+ \sum_{i=1}^{\tau-1} (\theta_{i+1} - \theta_i) \mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 - \theta_{\tau} \mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-\tau} - \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau}\|^2 \\
&+ \theta_1 \left(\sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta_m^2 (3\mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2 + 4\sigma_m^2) + \max_m \eta_m^2 4L^2 \tau \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 \right) \\
&\leq -\frac{\eta_0}{2} \mathbb{E} \|V_0^t\|^2 - \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \frac{\eta_m}{2} \mathbb{E} \|V_m^t\|^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta_m^2 (L + 4\theta_1) \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta_m}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_m^2}{2} + 3\theta_1 \eta_m^2 \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 (d_0 + 3)^3 \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^{\tau-1} (\beta_t \tau + \tau \theta_1 \max_m \eta_m^2 4L^2 + \theta_{i+1} - \theta_i) \mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 + (\beta_t \tau + \tau \theta_1 \max_m \eta_m^2 4L^2 - \theta_\tau) \mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-\tau} - \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau}\|^2
\end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

If we choose $\eta_0, \eta_m \leq \bar{\eta} \leq \frac{1}{4(L+2\theta_1)}$, then there is $\beta^t \leq \frac{3\bar{\eta}L^2}{2}$. Then for Eq. 26 there is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E}(M^{t+1} - M^t) \\
& \leq -\frac{1}{2} \min\{p_m, p_m \eta_m\} \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta_m^2 (L + 4\theta_1) \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2 \\
& + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta_m}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_m^2}{2} + 3\theta_1 \eta_m^2 \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 (d_0 + 3)^3 \\
& - \sum_{i=1}^{\tau-1} (\theta_i - \theta_{i+1} - \frac{3}{2} \bar{\eta} L^2 \tau - 4\tau \theta_1 L^2 \bar{\eta}^2) \mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 - (\theta_\tau - \frac{3}{2} \bar{\eta} L^2 \tau - 4\tau \theta_1 L^2 \bar{\eta}^2) \mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-\tau} - \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau}\|^2
\end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Let $\theta_1 = \frac{3/2\eta\tau^2L^2}{1-4\tau^2\eta^2L^2} \leq \frac{1}{2}\tau L$ and $\eta_0 = \eta_m = \eta \leq \frac{1}{4(\tau+1)L}$ and choose $\theta_2, \dots, \theta_\tau$ as

$$\theta_{i+1} = \theta_i - \frac{3}{2} \eta L^2 \tau - 4\tau \theta_1 L^2 \eta^2, \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, \tau - 1 \quad (28)$$

Following from Eq. 28 and the definition of θ_1 , there is $\theta_\tau = \theta_1 - (\tau - 1) \frac{3\eta L^2}{2} \tau - 4(\tau - 1) \tau \theta_1 L^2 \eta^2 \geq 0$. Then Eq. 27 reduces to

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E}(M^{t+1} - M^t) \leq -\frac{1}{2} \min_m p_m \eta \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 + 2L\eta^2 \sigma_0^2 \\
& + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta^2 (L + 2\tau L) \sigma_m^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta}{4} + \frac{3L\eta^2}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \tau L \eta^2 \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3 + \left(\frac{\eta}{4} + \frac{3L\eta^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 (d_0 + 3)^3
\end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

Summing Eq. 29 over $t = 0, \dots, T - 1$, there is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 \leq \frac{f_{\mu_m}^0 - f_{\mu_m}^*}{\frac{1}{2} \min_m p_m T \eta} + \frac{\sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta (L + 2\tau L) \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta \sigma_0^2}{\frac{1}{2} \min_m p_m} \\
& + \frac{\sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3L\eta}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \tau L \eta \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3L\eta}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 (d_0 + 3)^3}{\frac{1}{2} \min_m p_m}
\end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

According to Lemma 1, there is

$$\mathbb{E} \|\nabla_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 \leq 2\mathbb{E} \|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 + \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3}{2}. \quad (31)$$

Thus, there is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 \leq 2 \sum_{m=0}^q \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 + \sum_{m=0}^q \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3}{2} \\
& \leq 2\mathbb{E} \|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 + \sum_{m=0}^q \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3}{2}.
\end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

Similarly, according to Lemma 1, there is

$$f(w_0^0, \mathbf{w}^0) - f^* \leq f_{\mu_m}(w_0^0, \mathbf{w}^0) - f_{\mu_m}^* + \sum_{m=0}^q \frac{L_m d_m \mu_m^2}{2} \quad (33)$$

Applying Eqs. 32 and 33 to Eq. 30, there is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 \leq \frac{f^0 - f^*}{\frac{1}{4} \min_m p_m T \eta} + \frac{\sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta (L + 2\tau L) \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta \sigma_0^2}{\frac{1}{4} \min_m p_m} + \sum_{m=0}^q \frac{L_m d_m \mu_m^2}{2T} + \sum_{m=0}^q \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3}{2} \\
& + \frac{\sum_{m=0}^q p_m \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3L\eta}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \tau L \eta \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 (d_m + 3)^3}{\frac{1}{4} \min_m p_m}
\end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

Let $L_* = \max\{\{L_m\}_{m=0}^q, L\}$, $d_* = \max\{d_m + 3\}_{m=0}^q$, $\sigma_*^2 = \max_m \sigma_m^2$, $\frac{1}{p_*} = \min_m p_m$, then Eq. 34 reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 &\leq \frac{4p_*(f^0 - f^*)}{T\eta} + 8p_*(L + \tau L)\eta\sigma_*^2 + \frac{(q+1)L_*d_*\mu_m^2}{2T} + \frac{(q+1)\mu_m^2L_*^2d_*^3}{2} \\ &\quad + p_*(2 + 3L_*\eta + \frac{3}{2}\tau L_*\eta)\mu_m^2L_*^2d_*^3 \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Choosing $\eta = \min\{\frac{1}{4(\tau+1)L}, \frac{m_0}{\sqrt{T}}\}$ with constant $m_0 > 0$ and $\mu_m = \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}})$ such as $\mu_m = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}L_*d_*^{3/2}}$, there is

$$\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 \leq \frac{4p_*(f^0 - f^*)}{\sqrt{T}m_0} + \frac{8p_*m_0(L + \tau L)\sigma_*^2}{\sqrt{T}} + \frac{(q+1)}{2T^2L_*d_*^2} + \frac{(q+1) + 3p_*}{2T} \quad (36)$$

Thus, since τ is a constant independent to T , we can obtain the final result. This completes the proof. \square

LEMMA 3. Suppose that Assumption 2 holds, then we have

1) $f_{\mu_m}(w_m)$ is L_m -smooth and $f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})$ is L -smooth

$$\nabla_m f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbb{E}_u [\hat{\nabla}_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w})] \quad (37)$$

$$\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbb{E}_u [\hat{\nabla} f(w_0, \mathbf{w})] \quad (38)$$

where \mathbf{u} is drawn from the uniform distribution over the unit Euclidean sphere, and $\hat{\nabla}_{w_m} f(w_0, \mathbf{w})$ is given by Eq. (6).

2) For any $w_m \in \mathbb{R}^{d_m}$,

$$|f_{\mu_m}(w_m) - f(w_m)| \leq \frac{L_m d_m \mu_m^2}{2} \quad (39)$$

$$\|\nabla_m f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w}) - \nabla_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|_2^2 \leq \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2}{4}, \quad (40)$$

LEMMA 4. Under Assumptions 1 to 4, for $m = 0, 1, \dots, q$ there is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t\|^2 &= \mathbb{E}\|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - \bar{v}_{m_t}^t + \bar{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t\|^2 \\ &\leq 2\mathbb{E}\|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - \bar{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2 + 2\mathbb{E}\|\bar{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t\|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{\mu_m^2 L_{m_t}^2 d_{m_t}^2}{2} + 2L^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2 &= \mathbb{E}\|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t + v_{m_t}^t\|^2 \\ &\leq 2\mathbb{E}\|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t\|^2 + 2\mathbb{E}\|v_{m_t}^t\|^2 \\ &\leq \mu_m^2 L_{m_t}^2 d_{m_t}^2 + 4L^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 + 2\mathbb{E}\|v_{m_t}^t\|^2 \\ &\leq 3\mu_m^2 L_{m_t}^2 d_{m_t}^2 + 4L^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 + 4\sigma_{m_t}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

PROOF. Under Assumption 2, and taking expectation w.r.t. the sample index i_t , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbb{E}f_{\mu_m}(w_0^{t+1}, \mathbf{w}^{t+1}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t - \eta_0 \hat{v}_0^t, \dots, w_{m_t}^t - \eta_{m_t} \hat{v}_{m_t}^t, \dots)) \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}\left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \eta_0 \langle V_0^t, \hat{v}_0^t \rangle - \eta_{m_t} \langle V_{m_t}^t, \hat{v}_{m_t}^t \rangle + \frac{L\eta_0^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_0^t\|^2 + \frac{L\eta_{m_t}^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2\right) \\ &= \mathbb{E}\left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \eta_0 \langle V_0^t, \hat{v}_0^t - v_0^t + v_0^t \rangle - \eta_{m_t} \langle V_{m_t}^t, \hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t + v_{m_t}^t \rangle + \frac{L\eta_0^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_0^t\|^2 + \frac{L\eta_{m_t}^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2\right) \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}\left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \eta_0 \|V_0^t\|^2 - \eta_0 \langle V_0^t, \hat{v}_0^t - v_0^t \rangle - \eta_{m_t} \|V_{m_t}^t\|^2 - \eta_{m_t} \langle V_{m_t}^t, \hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t \rangle + \frac{L\eta_0^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_0^t\|^2 + \frac{L\eta_{m_t}^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2\right) \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}\left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \frac{\eta_0}{2} \|V_0^t\|^2 + \frac{\eta_0}{2} \|\hat{v}_0^t - v_0^t\|^2 - \frac{\eta_{m_t}}{2} \|V_{m_t}^t\|^2 + \frac{\eta_{m_t}}{2} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t - v_{m_t}^t\|^2 + \frac{L\eta_0^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_0^t\|^2 + \frac{L\eta_{m_t}^2}{2} \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^t\|^2\right) \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}\left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \frac{\eta_0}{2} \|V_0^t\|^2 - \frac{\eta_{m_t}}{2} \|V_{m_t}^t\|^2 + (\eta_0 + \eta_{m_t} + 2L\eta_0^2 + 2L\eta_{m_t}^2)L^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2\right) \\ &+ \left(\frac{\eta_{m_t}}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_{m_t}^2}{2}\right)\mu_m^2 L_{m_t}^2 d_{m_t}^2 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2}\right)\mu_m^2 L_0^2 d_0^2 + 2L\eta_{m_t}^2 \sigma_{m_t}^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2 \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

Taking expectation w.r.t. m_t , and using Assumption 3, there is

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbb{E}f_{\mu_m}(w_0^{t+1}, \mathbf{w}^{t+1}) \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \frac{\eta_0}{2} \mathbb{E}\|V_0^t\|^2 - \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \frac{\eta_m}{2} \mathbb{E}\|V_m^t\|^2 + \underbrace{(\eta_0 + 2L\eta_0^2 + \max_m(2L\eta_m^2 + \eta_m))L^2}_{\beta^t} \mathbb{E}\|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 \\ &+ \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta_m}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_m^2}{2}\right)\mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2}\right)\mu_m^2 L_0^2 d_0^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m 2L\eta_m^2 \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2 \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

According to Assumption 4, there is

$$\|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 = \left\| \sum_{i \in D(t)} \mathbf{w}^{i+1} - \mathbf{w}^i \right\|^2 \leq \tau \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 \quad (45)$$

We than bound the term $\|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2$. First, for $\mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1} - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2$

$$\mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1} - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 = \mathbb{E}\eta_{m_t}^2 \|\hat{v}_{m_t}^2\| \leq \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta_m^2 (3\mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2 + 4\sigma_m^2) + \max_m \eta_m^2 4L^2 \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 \quad (46)$$

Define a Lyapunov function as

$$M^t = f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) + \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \theta_i \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 \quad (47)$$

Following Lemma 3 and Eq. 47, there is

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}(M^{t+1} - M^t) \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left(f_{\mu_m}(w_0^{t+1}, \mathbf{w}^{t+1}) + \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \theta_i \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t+1-i}\|^2 - f_{\mu_m}(w_0^t, \mathbf{w}^t) - \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \theta_i \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 \right) \\ &= -\frac{\eta_0}{2} \mathbb{E}\|V_0^t\|^2 - \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \frac{\eta_m}{2} \mathbb{E}\|V_m^t\|^2 + \beta^t \mathbb{E}\|\hat{\mathbf{w}}^t - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m 2L\eta_m^2 \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2 \\ &+ \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta_m}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_m^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 d_0^2 \\ &+ \theta_1 \mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1} - \mathbf{w}^t\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{\tau-1} (\theta_{i+1} - \theta_i) \mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 - \theta_{\tau} \mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-\tau} - \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau}\|^2 \\ &\leq -\frac{\eta_0}{2} \mathbb{E}\|V_0^t\|^2 - \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \frac{\eta_m}{2} \mathbb{E}\|V_m^t\|^2 + \beta^t \tau \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m 2L\eta_m^2 \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2 \\ &+ \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta_m}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_m^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 d_0^2 \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{\tau-1} (\theta_{i+1} - \theta_i) \mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 - \theta_{\tau} \mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-\tau} - \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau}\|^2 \\ &+ \theta_1 \left(\sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta_m^2 (3\mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2 + 4\sigma_m^2) + \max_m \eta_m^2 4L^2 \tau \sum_{i=1}^{\tau} \|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 \right) \\ &\leq -\frac{\eta_0}{2} \mathbb{E}\|V_0^t\|^2 - \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \frac{\eta_m}{2} \mathbb{E}\|V_m^t\|^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta_m^2 (L + 4\theta_1) \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2 \\ &+ \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta_m}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_m^2}{2} + 3\theta_1 \eta_m^2 \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 d_0^2 \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{\tau-1} (\beta_t \tau + \tau \theta_1 \max_m \eta_m^2 4L^2 + \theta_{i+1} - \theta_i) \mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 + (\beta_t \tau + \tau \theta_1 \max_m \eta_m^2 4L^2 - \theta_{\tau}) \mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-\tau} - \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau}\|^2 \quad (48) \end{aligned}$$

If we choose $\eta_0, \eta_m \leq \bar{\eta} \leq \frac{1}{4(L+2\theta_1)}$, then there is $\beta^t \leq \frac{3\bar{\eta}L^2}{2}$. Then for Eq. 48 there is

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}(M^{t+1} - M^t) \\ &\leq -\frac{1}{2} \min\{\eta_0, p_m \eta_m\} \mathbb{E}\|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta_m^2 (L + 4\theta_1) \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta_0^2 \sigma_0^2 \\ &+ \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta_m}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_m^2}{2} + 3\theta_1 \eta_m^2 \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2 + \left(\frac{\eta_0}{4} + \frac{3L\eta_0^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 d_0^2 \\ &- \sum_{i=1}^{\tau-1} \left(\theta_i - \theta_{i+1} - \frac{3}{2} \bar{\eta} L^2 \tau - 4\tau \theta_1 L^2 \bar{\eta}^2 \right) \mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-i} - \mathbf{w}^{t-i}\|^2 - \left(\theta_{\tau} - \frac{3}{2} \bar{\eta} L^2 \tau - 4\tau \theta_1 L^2 \bar{\eta}^2 \right) \mathbb{E}\|\mathbf{w}^{t+1-\tau} - \mathbf{w}^{t-\tau}\|^2 \quad (49) \end{aligned}$$

Let $\theta_1 = \frac{3/2\eta\tau^2 L^2}{1-4\tau^2\eta^2 L^2} \leq \frac{1}{2}\tau L$ and $\eta_0 = \eta_m = \eta \leq \frac{1}{4(\tau+1)L}$ and choose $\theta_2, \dots, \theta_{\tau}$ as

$$\theta_{i+1} = \theta_i - \frac{3}{2} \eta L^2 \tau - 4\tau \theta_1 L^2 \eta^2, \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, \tau - 1 \quad (50)$$

Following form Eq. 50 and the definition of θ_1 , there is $\theta_\tau = \theta_1 - (\tau - 1)\frac{3\eta L^2}{2}\tau - 4(\tau - 1)\tau\theta_1 L^2\eta^2 \geq 0$. Then Eq. 49 reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(M^{t+1} - M^t) &\leq -\frac{1}{2} \min_m p_m \eta \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 + 2L\eta^2 \sigma_0^2 \\ &+ \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta^2 (L + 2\tau L) \sigma_m^2 + \sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{\eta}{4} + \frac{3L\eta^2}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \tau L \eta^2 \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2 + \left(\frac{\eta}{4} + \frac{3L\eta^2}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 d_0^2 \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

Summing Eq. over $t = 0, \dots, T - 1$, there is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 &\leq \frac{f_{\mu_m}^0 - f_{\mu_m}^*}{\frac{1}{2} \min_m p_m T \eta} + \frac{\sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta (L + 2\tau L) \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta \sigma_0^2}{\frac{1}{2} \min_m p_m} \\ &+ \frac{\sum_{m=1}^q p_m \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3L\eta}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \tau L \eta \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2 + \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3L\eta}{2} \right) \mu_m^2 L_0^2 d_0^2}{\frac{1}{2} \min_m p_m} \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

According to Lemma 3, there is

$$\mathbb{E} \|\nabla_m f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 \leq 2\mathbb{E} \|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 + \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2}{2}. \quad (53)$$

Thus, there is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 &\leq 2 \sum_{m=0}^q \mathbb{E} \|\nabla_m f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 + \sum_{m=0}^q \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2}{2} \\ &\leq 2\mathbb{E} \|\nabla f_{\mu_m}(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 + \sum_{m=0}^q \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2}{2}. \end{aligned} \quad (54)$$

Similarly, according to Lemma 3, there is

$$f(w_0^0, \mathbf{w}^0) - f^* \leq f_{\mu_m}(w_0^0, \mathbf{w}^0) - f_{\mu_m}^* + \sum_{m=0}^q \frac{L_m \mu_m^2}{2} \quad (55)$$

Applying Eqs. 54 and 55 to Eq. 52, there is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 &\leq \frac{f^0 - f^*}{\frac{1}{4} \min_m p_m T \eta} + \frac{\sum_{m=1}^q p_m \eta (L + 2\tau L) \sigma_m^2 + 2L\eta \sigma_0^2}{\frac{1}{4} \min_m p_m} + \sum_{m=0}^q \frac{L_m d_m \mu_m^2}{2T} + \sum_{m=0}^q \frac{\mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2}{2} \\ &+ \frac{\sum_{m=0}^q p_m \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{3L\eta}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \tau L \eta \right) \mu_m^2 L_m^2 d_m^2}{\frac{1}{4} \min_m p_m} \end{aligned} \quad (56)$$

Let $L_* = \max\{\{L_m\}_{m=0}^q, L\}$, $d_* = \max\{d_m\}_{m=0}^q$, $\sigma_*^2 = \max_m \sigma_m^2$, $\frac{1}{p_*} = \min_m p_m$, then Eq. 56 reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 &\leq \frac{4p_*(f^0 - f^*)}{T\eta} + 8p_*(L + \tau L)\eta \sigma_*^2 + \frac{(q+1)L_* \mu_m^2}{2T} + \frac{(q+1)\mu_m^2 L_*^2 d_*^2}{2} \\ &+ p_*(2 + 3L_*\eta + \frac{3}{2}\tau L_*\eta) \mu_m^2 L_*^2 d_*^2 \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

Choosing $\eta = \min\{\frac{1}{4(\tau+1)L}, \frac{m_0}{\sqrt{T}}\}$ with constant $m_0 > 0$ and $\mu_m = \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}})$ such as $\mu_m = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}L_*d_*}$, there is

$$\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbb{E} \|\nabla f(w_0, \mathbf{w})\|^2 \leq \frac{4p_*(f^0 - f^*)}{\sqrt{T}m_0} + \frac{8p_*m_0(L + \tau L)\sigma_*^2}{\sqrt{T}} + \frac{(q+1)}{2T^2L_*d_*^2} + \frac{(q+1) + 3p_*}{2T} \quad (58)$$

Thus, since τ is a constant independent to T , we can obtain the final result. This completes the proof. \square