PFL

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1 Introduction

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Algorithm 1

Input: Participation rate r, step size η , number of local updates for the head τ_w , for the shortcut τ_s and for the representation τ_b , number of communication rounds T.

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1: Initialize \mathbf{B}^0, \mathbf{w}_1^0, ..., \mathbf{w}_n^0, \mathbf{s}_1^0, ..., \mathbf{s}_n^0
  2: for t = 0, 1, 2, ..., T - 1 do
            Server receives a batch of clients \mathcal{I}^t of size rn
  3:
             Server sends current representation \phi^t to clients in \mathcal{I}^t
  4:
            for each client i in \mathcal{I}^t do
  5:
                  Client i initializes \mathbf{w}_i^{t,0} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_i^{t-1,\tau_h}
  6:
  7:
                  Client updates its head for \tau_h steps:
                  for \tau = 1 to \tau_w do
  8:
                      \mathbf{w}_{i}^{t,\tau} \leftarrow \operatorname{GRD}\left(f_{i}\left(\mathbf{w}_{i}^{t,\tau-1},\mathbf{B}^{t-1},\mathbf{s}_{i}^{t-1,\tau_{s}}\right),\mathbf{w}_{i}^{t,\tau-1},\eta\right)
  9:
10:
                  Client i initializes \mathbf{s}_i^{t,0} \leftarrow \mathbf{s}_i^{t-1,\tau_s}
11:
                  Client i updates its shortcut for \tau_s steps:
12:
                 for \tau = 1 to \tau_s do \mathbf{s}_i^{t,\tau} \leftarrow \text{GRD}\left(f_i\left(\mathbf{w}_i^{t-1}, \mathbf{B}^{t-1}, \mathbf{s}_i^{t,\tau-1}\right), \mathbf{s}_i^{t,\tau-1}, \eta\right)
13:
14:
                  end for
15:
                  Client i initializes \mathbf{B}_{i}^{t,0} \leftarrow \mathbf{B}^{t-1}
16:
                  Client i updates its representation for \tau_b steps:
17:
                  for \tau = 1 to \tau_b do
18:
                      \mathbf{B}_{i}^{t,\tau} \leftarrow \operatorname{GRD}\left(f_{i}\left(\mathbf{w}_{i}^{t,\tau_{w}}, \mathbf{B}_{i}^{t,\tau-1}, \mathbf{s}_{i}^{t,\tau_{s}}\right), \mathbf{B}_{i}^{t,\tau-1}, \eta\right)
19:
                  end for
20:
                  Client i sends updated representation \mathbf{B}_{i}^{t,\tau_{b}} to server
21:
22:
             \begin{array}{l} \textbf{for each client } j \text{ not in } \mathcal{I}^t \textbf{ do} \\ \text{Set } \mathbf{w}_i^{t,\tau_w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_i^{t-1,\tau_w} \text{ and } \mathbf{s}_i^{t,\tau_s} \leftarrow \mathbf{s}_i^{t-1,\tau_s} \end{array} 
23:
24:
25:
            Server computes new representation: \mathbf{B}^t = \frac{1}{rn} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}^t} \mathbf{B}_i^{t,\tau_b}
26:
27: end for
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1.1 Preliminaries

First, we establish the notations that will be used throughout our proof. Let $\mathbf{S} := [\mathbf{s}_1, ..., \mathbf{s}_{rn}] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times rn}$ represent the personalized layers, and let $\mathbf{W} := [\mathbf{w}_1, ..., \mathbf{w}_{rn}] \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times rn}$ denote the personalized heads, which follow the global representation \mathbf{B} . Since our algorithm updates \mathbf{w}_i and \mathbf{s}_i for each client i simultaneously, we define $\mathbf{h}_i^{\top} := [\mathbf{w}_i^{\top}, \mathbf{s}_i^{\top}]$ and $\mathbf{H} := [\mathbf{h}_1, ..., \mathbf{h}_{rn}] \in \mathbb{R}^{(k+d) \times rn}$.

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The global objective can be rewritten as

$$\min_{\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times k}, \mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times rn}, \mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times rn}} \left\{ F(\hat{\mathbf{B}}, \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{S}) := \frac{1}{2rnm} \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}} \left\| \mathbf{Y} - \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{W}_{\mathcal{I}}^{\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{\top} + \mathbf{S}_{\mathcal{I}}^{\top}) \right\|_{2}^{2} \right\}, \tag{1}$$

where $\mathbf{Y} = \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{W}_{\mathcal{I}}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{*\top} + \mathbf{S}_{\mathcal{I}}^{*\top}) \in \mathbb{R}^{rnm}$. Then we give the update rules of our algorithm:

$$\mathbf{W}^{t+1} = \underset{\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times rn}}{\operatorname{arg \, min}} \, \frac{1}{2rnm} \, \left\| \mathcal{A}^t \left(\mathbf{W}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{*\top} - \mathbf{W}^{\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} + \mathbf{S}^{*\top} - \mathbf{S}^{t\top} \right) \right\|_2^2, \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{S}^{t+1} = \underset{\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times rn}}{\operatorname{arg \, min}} \frac{1}{2rnm} \left\| \mathcal{A}^{t} \left(\mathbf{W}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{*\top} - \mathbf{W}^{t\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} + \mathbf{S}^{*\top} - \mathbf{S}^{\top} \right) \right\|_{2}^{2}$$
(3)

$$\bar{\mathbf{B}} = \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t} - \frac{\eta}{rnm} \left((\mathcal{A}^{t})^{\dagger} \mathcal{A}^{t} (\mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} - \mathbf{W}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{*\top} + \mathbf{S}^{t+1\top} - \mathbf{S}^{*\top}) \right)^{\top} \mathbf{W}_{\mathcal{I}^{t}}^{t+1\top}, \quad (4)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t+1}, \mathbf{R}^{t+1} = QR(\bar{\mathbf{B}}^t). \tag{5}$$

1.2 Auxiliary Lemmas

We first consider the update for \mathbf{W} . According to the update rule of (2), \mathbf{W}^{t+1} minimizes the function of $\widetilde{F}\left(\hat{\mathbf{B}}^t, \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{S}^t\right) := \frac{1}{2rnm} \left\| \mathcal{A}\left(\mathbf{W}^{*\top}\hat{\mathbf{B}}^{*\top} - \mathbf{W}^{\top}\hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} + \mathbf{S}^{*\top} - \mathbf{S}^{t\top}\right) \right\|_{2}^{2}$

Let \mathcal{H}_p be the *p*-th column of $\mathbf{H}^{t+1\top}$, \mathcal{H}_p^* denote the *p*-th column of $\mathbf{H}^{*\top}$ and \mathbf{b}_p^t be the *p*-th column of $\widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^t$, then for any $p \in [k+d]$, we have

$$\mathbf{0} = \nabla_{\mathcal{H}_p} \widetilde{F} \left(\mathbf{H}, \hat{\mathbf{B}}^t \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{rnm} \sum_{i=1}^{rn} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \left(\left\langle \mathbf{A}_{i,j}, \mathbf{H}^{t+1\top} \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} - \mathbf{H}^{*\top} \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^{*\top} \right\rangle \right) \mathbf{A}_{i,j} \mathbf{b}_p^t$$

$$= \frac{1}{rnm} \sum_{i=1}^{rn} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \left(\sum_{q=1}^{k+d} \mathbf{b}_q^{t\top} \mathbf{A}_{i,j}^{\top} \mathcal{H}_q^{t+1} - \sum_{q=1}^{k+d} \mathbf{b}_q^{*\top} \mathbf{A}_{i,j}^{\top} \mathcal{H}_q^* \right) \mathbf{A}_{i,j} \mathbf{b}_p^t, \tag{6}$$

which means

$$\frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=1}^{k} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{rn} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \mathbf{A}_{i,j} \mathbf{b}_{p}^{t} \mathbf{b}_{q}^{t \top} \mathbf{A}_{i,j}^{\top} \right) \mathcal{W}_{q}^{t+1}$$

$$(7)$$

$$= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{q=1}^{k} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{rn} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \mathbf{A}_{i,j} \mathbf{b}_{p}^{t} \mathbf{b}_{q}^{*\top} \mathbf{A}_{i,j}^{\top} \right) \mathcal{W}_{q}^{*} + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{l=1}^{d} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{rn} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \mathbf{A}_{i,j} \mathbf{b}_{p}^{t} \mathbf{e}_{l}^{\top} \mathbf{A}_{i,j}^{\top} \right) \left(\mathcal{S}_{l}^{t} - \mathcal{S}_{l}^{*} \right). \tag{8}$$

Notice that the term of $\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{rn}\sum_{j=1}^{m}\mathbf{A}_{i,j}\mathbf{b}_{p}^{t}\mathbf{b}_{q}^{t}\mathbf{A}_{i,j}^{\top}$ is a matrix with dimension of $rn \times rn$, and so is the term of $\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{rn}\sum_{j=1}^{m}\mathbf{A}_{i,j}\mathbf{b}_{p}^{t}\mathbf{b}_{q}^{*}\mathbf{A}_{i,j}^{\top}$. To solve the function in (7), we define $\mathbf{G}_{pq}:=\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{rn}\sum_{j=1}^{m}\mathbf{A}_{i,j}\mathbf{b}_{p}^{t}\mathbf{b}_{q}^{\dagger}\mathbf{A}_{i,j}^{\top}$, $\mathbf{C}_{pq}:=\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{rn}\sum_{j=1}^{m}\mathbf{A}_{i,j}\mathbf{b}_{p}^{t}\mathbf{b}_{q}^{*}\mathbf{A}_{i,j}^{\top}$ and $\mathbf{D}_{pq}:=\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{rn}\sum_{j=1}^{m}\left\langle \mathbf{b}_{p}^{t},\mathbf{b}_{q}^{*}\right\rangle \mathbf{I}_{rn}$, for all $p,q\in[k+d]$. Further, we define block matrices $\mathbf{G},\mathbf{C},\mathbf{D}\in\mathbb{R}^{rn(k+d)\times rn(k+d)}$, which are formed by $\mathbf{G}_{pq},\mathbf{C}_{pq},\mathbf{D}_{pq}$ respectively. In detail, take \mathbf{G} for example,

$$\mathbf{G} := \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{11} & \cdots & \mathbf{G}_{1(k+d)} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}_{(k+d)1} & \cdots & \mathbf{G}_{(k+d)(k+d)} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{9}$$

Then we define $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}^{t+1} := \text{vec}(\mathbf{H}^{t+1\top}) \in \mathbb{R}^{rn(k+d)}$ and $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}^* := \text{vec}(\mathbf{H}^{*\top}) \in \mathbb{R}^{rn(k+d)}$. From (7) we reach,

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}^{t+1} = \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{C} \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}^*$$

$$= \mathbf{D} \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}^* - \mathbf{G}^{-1} (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}) \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}^*, \tag{10}$$

where **G** is invertible will be proved in the following lemma. Here, we consider \mathbf{G}_{pq} ,

$$\mathbf{G}_{pq} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{rn} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \mathbf{A}_{i,j} \mathbf{b}_{p} \mathbf{b}_{q}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{A}_{i,j}^{\mathsf{T}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{rn} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \mathbf{e}_{i} \left(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{j} \right)^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{b}_{p} \mathbf{b}_{q}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_{i}^{j} \mathbf{e}_{i}^{\mathsf{T}},$$
(11)

meaning that \mathbf{G}_{pq} is diagonal with diagonal entries

$$\left(\mathbf{G}_{pq}\right)_{ii} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \left(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{j}\right)^{\top} \mathbf{b}_{p} \mathbf{b}_{q}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_{i}^{j} = \mathbf{b}_{p}^{\top} \left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \mathbf{x}_{i}^{j} \left(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{j}\right)^{\top}\right) \mathbf{b}_{q}. \tag{12}$$

Define $\mathbf{\Pi}^i := \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \mathbf{x}_i^j \left(\mathbf{x}_i^j\right)^{\top}$ for all $i \in [rn]$, then \mathbf{C}_{pq} is also diagonal with entries $(\mathbf{C}_{pq})_{ii} = \mathbf{b}_p^{\top} \mathbf{\Pi}^i \mathbf{b}_q^*$. Note that $\mathbf{D}_{pq} = \langle \mathbf{b}_p, \mathbf{b}_q^* \rangle \mathbf{I}_{rn}$ is also diagonal. Then we define

$$\mathbf{G}^{i} := \left[\mathbf{b}_{p}^{\top} \mathbf{\Pi}^{i} \mathbf{b}_{q} \right]_{1 \leq p, q \leq k + d} = \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\top} \mathbf{\Pi}^{i} \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}, \quad \mathbf{C}^{i} := \left[\mathbf{b}_{p}^{\top} \mathbf{\Pi}^{i} \mathbf{b}_{q}^{*} \right]_{1 \leq p, q \leq k + d} = \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\top} \mathbf{\Pi}^{i} \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^{*}, \quad (13)$$

note that \mathbf{G}^i and \mathbf{C}^i are the $(k+d) \times (k+d)$ matrices that formed by taking the *i*-th diagonal entry of each block \mathbf{G}_{pq} , \mathbf{C}_{pq} , respectively. Similarly, we define $\mathbf{D}^i := \left[\left\langle \mathbf{b}_p, \mathbf{b}_q^* \right\rangle \right]_{1 \leq p, q \leq k+d} = \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^\top \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^*$. Then we can decouple the term of $\mathbf{G}^{-1} \left(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C} \right) \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}^*$ in (10) into *i* vectors, defined as

$$\mathbf{f}_i := \left(\mathbf{G}^i\right)^{-1} \left(\mathbf{G}^i \mathbf{D}^i - \mathbf{C}^i\right) \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_i^*, \tag{14}$$

where $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_i^* \in \mathbb{R}^{k+d}$ is the vector formed by taking the ((p-1)rn+i)-th elements of $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}^*$ for $p=1,\ldots,k+d$. Next, we consider the vector $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_i^{t+1}$ formed by taking the ((p-1)rn+i)-th elements of $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}^{t+1}$ for $p=1,\ldots,k+d$, from (10) we have

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{i}^{t+1} = \mathbf{D}^{i} \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{i}^{*} - \left(\mathbf{G}^{i}\right)^{-1} \left(\mathbf{G}^{i} \mathbf{D}^{i} - \mathbf{C}^{i}\right) \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{i}^{*}$$

$$= \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\top} \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^{*} \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{i}^{*} - \mathbf{f}_{i}. \tag{15}$$

Finally, we reach to the update of \mathbf{H}^{t+1} as

$$\mathbf{H}^{t+1} = \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\top} \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^* \mathbf{H}^* - \mathbf{F},\tag{16}$$

where $\mathbf{F} := [\mathbf{f}_1, \mathbf{f}_2, ..., \mathbf{f}_{rn}]$. Note that for each \mathbf{f}_i , the first k elements form a vector defined as \mathbf{f}_{i1} , which is for updating \mathbf{w}_i and elements from k+1 to k+d can form a vector defined as \mathbf{f}_{i2} , which is for updating \mathbf{s}_i . Further, we can obtain the update for \mathbf{W}^{t+1} and \mathbf{S}^{t+1} from (16),

$$\mathbf{W}^{t+1} = (1 - \alpha)^2 \,\hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^* \mathbf{W}^* + \alpha \,(1 - \alpha) \,\hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} \mathbf{S}^* - \mathbf{F}_1,\tag{17}$$

$$\mathbf{S}^{t+1} = \alpha \left(1 - \alpha\right) \hat{\mathbf{B}}^* \mathbf{W}^* + \alpha^2 \mathbf{S}^* - \mathbf{F}_2, \tag{18}$$

where \mathbf{F}_1 and \mathbf{F}_1 are matrices formed by \mathbf{f}_{i1} and \mathbf{f}_{i2} , respectively.

Lemma 1 Bounding $\|\mathbf{G}^{-1}\|_2$

In order to give bounding on $\|\mathbf{G}^{-1}\|_2$, we need to lower bound $\sigma_{min}(\mathbf{G})$. For some vector $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^{rn(k+d)}$, let $\mathbf{z}^i \in \mathbb{R}^{k+d}$ be the vector formed by taking the ((p-1)rn+i)-th elements of \mathbf{z} for p=1,...,k+d, then we have

$$\begin{split} \sigma_{min}(\mathbf{G}) &= \min_{\mathbf{z}: \|\mathbf{z}\|_2 = 1} \mathbf{z}^{\top} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{z} \\ &= \min_{\mathbf{z}: \|\mathbf{z}\|_2 = 1} \sum_{i=1}^{rn} \left(\mathbf{z}^i\right)^{\top} \mathbf{G}^i \mathbf{z}^i \\ &\geq \min_{i \in [rn]} \sigma_{min} \left(\mathbf{G}^i\right), \end{split}$$

where

$$\mathbf{G}^{i} = \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^{\top} \mathbf{\Pi}^{i} \widetilde{\mathbf{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} (1-\alpha) \, \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{\top} \\ \alpha \mathbf{I}_{d} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Pi}^{i} \left[(1-\alpha) \, \hat{\mathbf{B}} \quad \alpha \mathbf{I}_{d} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} (1-\alpha)^{2} \, \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{\top} \mathbf{\Pi}^{i} \hat{\mathbf{B}} & \alpha \, (1-\alpha) \, \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{\top} \mathbf{\Pi}^{i} \\ \alpha \, (1-\alpha) \, \mathbf{\Pi}^{i} \hat{\mathbf{B}} & \alpha^{2} \mathbf{\Pi}^{i} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{19}$$

Lemma 2 ...

Let $\mathbf{Q}^{t\top} = \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} - \mathbf{W}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{*\top} + \mathbf{S}^{t+1\top} - \mathbf{S}^{*\top}$. To bound $\frac{1}{rn} \left\| \left(\frac{1}{m} \mathcal{A}^{\top} \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{Q}^{t\top}) - \mathbf{Q}^{t\top} \right)^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \right\|_{2}$, we first consider the bound of the columns of \mathbf{Q} . Let $\mathbf{q}_{i} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ be the *i*-th column of \mathbf{Q} , for all $i \in [rn]$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q}_i &= \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^t \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^* \mathbf{h}_i^* - \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^t \mathbf{f}_i - \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^* \mathbf{h}_i^* \\ &= \left((1 - \alpha)^2 \, \hat{\mathbf{B}}^t \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} + \alpha^2 \mathbf{I}_d \right) \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^* \mathbf{h}_i^* - \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^t \mathbf{f}_i - \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}^* \mathbf{h}_i^* \\ &= \left((1 - \alpha)^2 \, \hat{\mathbf{B}}^t \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} + \alpha^2 \mathbf{I}_d \right) \left((1 - \alpha) \, \hat{\mathbf{B}}^* \mathbf{w}_i^* + \alpha \mathbf{s}_i^* \right) - (1 - \alpha) \, \hat{\mathbf{B}}^t \mathbf{f}_{i1} - \alpha \mathbf{f}_{i2} - (1 - \alpha) \, \hat{\mathbf{B}}^* \mathbf{w}_i^* - \alpha \mathbf{s}_i^* \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

1.3 Main Result

Recall that $\mathbf{Q}^{t\top} = \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} - \mathbf{W}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{*\top} + \mathbf{S}^{t+1\top} - \mathbf{S}^{*\top}$, plugging this into (4), and without losing generality, we drop the subscripts of \mathcal{I}^t and obtain

$$\bar{\mathbf{B}}^{t+1} = \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t} - \frac{\eta}{rnm} \left((\mathcal{A}^{t})^{\top} \mathcal{A}^{t} (\mathbf{Q}^{t\top}) \right)^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top}
= \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t} - \frac{\eta}{rn} \mathbf{Q}^{t} \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} - \frac{\eta}{rn} \left(\frac{1}{m} (\mathcal{A}^{t})^{\top} \mathcal{A}^{t} (\mathbf{Q}^{t\top}) - \mathbf{Q}^{t\top} \right)^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top}.$$
(20)

Since $\bar{\mathbf{B}}^{t+1} = \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t+1} \mathbf{R}^{t+1}$, we right multiply $(\mathbf{R}^{t+1})^{-1}$ and left multiply $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top}$ on both sides to get

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top}\hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t+1} = \left(\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top}\hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t} - \frac{\eta}{rn}\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top}\mathbf{Q}^{t}\mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} - \frac{\eta}{rn}\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top}\left(\frac{1}{m}(\mathcal{A}^{t})^{\top}\mathcal{A}^{t}(\mathbf{Q}^{t\top}) - \mathbf{Q}^{t\top}\right)^{\top}\mathbf{W}^{t+1\top}\right)(\mathbf{R}^{t+1})^{-1}.$$
(21)

Then we consider the term of $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \mathbf{Q}^t \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top}$:

$$\begin{split} \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \mathbf{Q}^{t} \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} &= \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \left(\mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t\top} - \mathbf{W}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{*\top} + \mathbf{S}^{t+1\top} - \mathbf{S}^{*\top} \right) \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t} \mathbf{W}^{t+1} \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \left(\mathbf{S}^{*} - \mathbf{S}^{t+1} \right) \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top}, \end{split}$$

plugging this into (21) then we reach to

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t+1} = \left(\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t} \left(\mathbf{I}_{k} - \frac{\eta}{rn} \mathbf{W}^{t+1} \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \right) + \frac{\eta}{rn} \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \left(\mathbf{S}^{*} - \mathbf{S}^{t+1} \right) \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} - \frac{\eta}{rn} \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \left(\frac{1}{m} (\mathcal{A}^{t})^{\top} \mathcal{A}^{t} (\mathbf{Q}^{t\top}) - \mathbf{Q}^{t\top} \right)^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \right) (\mathbf{R}^{t+1})^{-1}.$$
(22)

Therefore,

$$\operatorname{dist}(\hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t+1}, \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{*}) = \left\| \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t+1} \right\|_{2}$$

$$\leq \left\| \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{t} \left(\mathbf{I}_{k} - \frac{\eta}{rn} \mathbf{W}^{t+1} \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \right) \right\|_{2} \left\| (\mathbf{R}^{t+1})^{-1} \right\|_{2}$$

$$+ \frac{\eta}{rn} \left\| \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \left(\frac{1}{m} (\mathcal{A}^{t})^{\top} \mathcal{A}^{t} (\mathbf{Q}^{t\top}) - \mathbf{Q}^{t\top} \right)^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \right\|_{2} \left\| (\mathbf{R}^{t+1})^{-1} \right\|_{2}$$

$$+ \frac{\eta}{rn} \left\| \hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\perp}^{*\top} \left(\mathbf{S}^{*} - \mathbf{S}^{t+1} \right) \mathbf{W}^{t+1\top} \right\|_{2} \left\| (\mathbf{R}^{t+1})^{-1} \right\|_{2}.$$

$$(23)$$

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A Proofs