

Constrained Low-Rank Quaternion Matrix Completion Fusing Learnable Transforms and Plug-and-Play Denoising Prior for Color Image Inpainting (Supplementary Material)

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Appendix A. The proof of Theorem 5

Theorem 5: Let $\phi = \{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}, \dot{\mathbf{X}}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2, \dot{\mathbf{M}}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2\}$ and $\{\phi^t\}_{t=1}^\infty$ denote the sequence generated by the CLQNMF algorithm. Assume that the dual sequences $\{\dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t\}$ and $\{\dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t\}$ are bounded, then the primal variable sequences $\{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t\}$, and $\{\dot{\mathbf{M}}^t\}$ are Cauchy sequences.

Proof. We first prove that the augment Lagrangian function is bounded, it derives:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{L}_{\beta^{t+1}}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^{t+1}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}\|\mathcal{P}_\Omega(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Y}})\|_F^2 + \lambda(\|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\|_* - \alpha\|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\|_F) + \frac{\beta^{t+1}}{2}\|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - (\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \sum_{i=1}^2 \Psi(\dot{\mathbf{D}}_i^{t+1}) \\
&\quad + \Re\left(\langle \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - (\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^{t+1} \rangle\right) + \frac{\beta^{t+1}}{2}\|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \Re\left(\langle \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^{t+1} \rangle\right) \\
&= \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t) \\
&\quad + \Re\left(\langle \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - (\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t \rangle\right) + \frac{\beta^{t+1} - \beta^t}{2}\|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - (\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}\|_F^2 \\
&\quad + \Re\left(\langle \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t \rangle\right) + \frac{\beta^{t+1} - \beta^t}{2}\|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}\|_F^2 \\
&= \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t) + \frac{\beta^{t+1} + \beta^t}{2(\beta^t)^2}(\|\dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t\|_F^2 + \|\dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t\|_F^2).
\end{aligned}$$

Note that $\{\dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t\}$ and $\{\dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t\}$ are bounded, it follows that $\{\dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t\}$ and $\{\dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t\}$ are bounded. Assume N_1 and N_2 are their respective upper bounds. Then, we have $\|\dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t\|_F \leq N_1$ and $\|\dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t\|_F \leq N_2$. Moreover, the following inequality holds:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\beta^{t+1}}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^{t+1}) \leq \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^t, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^t, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^t, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t, \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t).$$

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Since the optimal solutions $\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}$ have been obtained for their respective subproblems, it follows that:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{L}_{\beta^{t+1}}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1}) \\
& \leq \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\Lambda}_2^t) + \frac{\beta^{t+1} + \beta^t}{2(\beta^t)^2} (N_1^2 + N_2^2) \\
& \leq \mathcal{L}_{\beta^0}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^1, \dot{\Lambda}_1^0, \dot{\Lambda}_2^0) + (N_1^2 + N_2^2) \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{\beta^{t+1} + \beta^t}{2(\beta^t)^2} \\
& \leq \mathcal{L}_{\beta^0}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^1, \dot{\Lambda}_1^0, \dot{\Lambda}_2^0) + (N_1^2 + N_2^2) \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{1 + \rho}{2\beta^0 \rho^t} \\
& \leq \mathcal{L}_{\beta^0}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^1, \dot{\Lambda}_1^0, \dot{\Lambda}_2^0) + \frac{N_1^2 + N_2^2}{\beta^0} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\rho^{t-1}} < +\infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, \mathcal{L} is bounded. Next, we prove that the sequences $\{\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}\}$, and $\{\dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}\}$ are bounded.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{2} \|\mathcal{P}_\Omega(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Y}})\|_F^2 + \lambda(\|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\|_* - \alpha\|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\|_F) + \sum_{i=1}^2 \Psi(\dot{\mathbf{D}}_i^{t+1}) \\
& = \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\Lambda}_2^t) - \Re(\langle \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - (\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1} \rangle) \\
& \quad - \frac{\beta^t}{2} \|(\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}\|_F^2 - \Re(\langle \dot{\Lambda}_2^t, \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1} \rangle) - \frac{\beta^t}{2} \|\dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}\|_F^2 \\
& = \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\Lambda}_2^t) + \frac{1}{2\beta^t} (\|\dot{\Lambda}_1^t\|_F^2 - \|\dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \|\dot{\Lambda}_2^t\|_F^2 - \|\dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1}\|_F^2).
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it obtains $\{\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}\}$, and $\{\dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}\}$ are bounded.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t\|_F \\
& = \|\mathcal{P}_{\Omega^c}\left(\frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t}{2}\right) + \mathcal{P}_\Omega\left(\frac{\beta^t(\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t) + \dot{\mathbf{Y}}}{1 + 2\beta^t}\right) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1}}{2\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{(\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^t)^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^t}{2} - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1}}{2\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{M}}^t}{2}\|_F \\
& = \|\mathcal{P}_{\Omega^c}\left(\frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t}{2}\right) + \mathcal{P}_\Omega\left(\frac{\beta^t(\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t) + \dot{\mathbf{Y}}}{1 + 2\beta^t}\right) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1}}{2\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t}}{2} - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1}}{2\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t}{\beta^t}}{2}\|_F \\
& = \|\mathcal{P}_{\Omega^c}\left(\frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t}{2}\right) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1}}{2\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{2\beta^t} - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1}}{2\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t}{2\beta^t} \\
& \quad + \mathcal{P}_\Omega\left(\frac{2\beta^t(\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t) + 2\dot{\mathbf{Y}} - (\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t) - 2\beta^t(\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t)}{2(1 + 2\beta^t)}\right)\|_F \\
& = \|\mathcal{P}_\Omega\left(\frac{2\dot{\mathbf{Y}} - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t}{2(1 + 2\beta^t)}\right) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t + \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1}}{2\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t}{2\beta^t}\|_F \\
& = \frac{1}{\beta^t} \|\frac{\beta^t}{2(1 + 2\beta^t)} \mathcal{P}_\Omega(2\dot{\mathbf{Y}} - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t) - \frac{\rho}{2} (\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t + \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1}) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t}{2}\|_F.
\end{aligned}$$

Define $\mathbf{R}_1^t = \frac{\beta^t}{2(1 + 2\beta^t)} \mathcal{P}_\Omega(2\dot{\mathbf{Y}} - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t) - \frac{\rho}{2} (\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t + \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1}) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t}{2}$. It is evident that \mathbf{R}_1^t is bounded, which implies

$\|\mathbf{R}_1^t\| \leq N_3$. Consequently, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+l+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t\|_F \\ & \leq \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+l+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+l}\|_F + \cdots + \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t\|_F \\ & = \frac{\|\mathbf{R}_1^{t+l}\|_F}{\beta^{t+l}} + \cdots + \frac{\|\mathbf{R}_1^t\|_F}{\beta^t} \leq N_3 \left(\frac{1}{\beta^{t+l}} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\beta^t} \right) \\ & = \frac{N_3}{\beta^t} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\rho} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\rho^l} \right) \leq \frac{N_3 \rho}{\beta^t (\rho - 1)} \rightarrow 0 \ (t \rightarrow \infty). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\{\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t\}$ constitutes a Cauchy sequence.

In the following, we prove that the sequence $\{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\}$ is also a Cauchy sequence.

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\|_F^2 \\ & = \|\dot{\mathbf{U}}^{t+1} \Delta^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{V}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\|_F^2 \\ & = \|\dot{\mathbf{U}}^{t+1} \Delta^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{V}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1} (\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t}) \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1} + \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1} (\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t}) \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\|_F^2 \\ & = \|\dot{\mathbf{U}}^{t+1} \Delta^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{V}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{U}}^{t+1} \Sigma^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{V}}^{t+1} + \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1} (\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t}) \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\|_F^2 \\ & \leq \|\Sigma^{t+1} - \Delta^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \|\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1} (\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t}) \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\|_F^2 \\ & = \sum_{i=1}^r (\delta_i^{t+1} - \sigma_i^{t+1})^2 + \|\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1} (\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t}) \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\|_F^2 \\ & \leq \frac{\lambda^2 r}{(\beta^t)^2} + \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t} - \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}\|_F^2 \\ & = \frac{\lambda^2 r}{(\beta^t)^2} + \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t + \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t - \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1} + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t}\|_F^2 \\ & = \frac{\lambda^2 r}{(\beta^t)^2} + \|(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t) + (\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t - \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}) + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t}\|_F^2 \\ & = \frac{\lambda^2 r}{(\beta^t)^2} + \|\frac{\mathbf{R}_1^t}{\beta^t} + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1}}{\beta^{t-1}} + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t}\|_F^2 \\ & = \frac{1}{(\beta^t)^2} (\lambda^2 r + \|\mathbf{R}_1^t + \rho(\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1}) + \dot{\Lambda}_1^t\|_F^2) = \frac{\lambda^2 r + \mathbf{R}_2^t}{(\beta^t)^2}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbf{R}_2^t = \mathbf{R}_1^t + \rho(\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1}) + \dot{\Lambda}_1^t$, and \mathbf{R}_2^t is bounded. Let N_4 denote its upper bound, i.e. $\|\mathbf{R}_2^t\|_F \leq N_4$. It follows that $\|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\|_F \leq \frac{\sqrt{\lambda^2 r + \|\mathbf{R}_2^t\|_F}}{\beta^t} \leq \frac{\sqrt{\lambda^2 r + N_4}}{\beta^t} = \frac{N_5}{\beta^t}$, where $\sqrt{\lambda^2 r + N_4} = N_5$. The second inequality holds because the condition: If $\delta_i^{t+1} \geq \frac{\lambda}{\beta^t}$, then $\sigma_i^{t+1} = \frac{\|z\|_2 + \frac{\alpha \lambda}{\beta^t}}{\|z\|_2} z$, where $z = \max\{\delta_i^{t+1} - \frac{\lambda}{\beta^t}, 0\}$, which implies that $\delta_i^{t+1} - \sigma_i^{t+1} \leq \frac{\lambda}{\beta^t}$; if $\delta_i^{t+1} < \frac{\lambda}{\beta^t}$, then $\delta_i^{t+1} - \sigma_i^{t+1} = \delta_i^{t+1} < \frac{\lambda}{\beta^t}$. Therefore, the sequence $\{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t\}$ is bounded. Furthermore, it obtains

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+l+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\|_F \\ & \leq \|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+l+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+l}\|_F + \cdots + \|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\|_F \\ & \leq \frac{N_5}{\beta^{t+l}} + \cdots + \frac{N_5}{\beta^t} \leq N_5 \left(\frac{1}{\beta^{t+l}} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\beta^t} \right) \\ & = \frac{N_5}{\beta^t} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\rho} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\rho^l} \right) \leq \frac{N_5 \rho}{\beta^t (\rho - 1)} \rightarrow 0 \ (t \rightarrow \infty). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Finally, we prove that the sequence $\{\dot{\mathbf{M}}^t\}$ is also a Cauchy sequence.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|\dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^t\|_F \\
&= \|\dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} + \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t + \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^t\|_F \\
&= \left\| \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1}}{\beta^t} + \frac{\mathbf{R}_1^t}{\beta^t} + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1}}{\beta^{t-1}} \right\|_F \\
&= \frac{1}{\beta^t} \|2\dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1} + \mathbf{R}_1^t\|_F.
\end{aligned}$$

Let $\mathbf{R}_3^t = 2\dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1} + \mathbf{R}_1^t$. Clearly, \mathbf{R}_3^t is bounded. Assuming that $\|\mathbf{R}_3^t\| \leq N_6$, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|\dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+l+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^t\|_F \\
&\leq \|\dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+l+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+l}\|_F + \cdots + \|\dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^t\|_F \\
&\leq \frac{N_6}{\beta^{t+l}} + \cdots + \frac{N_6}{\beta^t} \leq N_6 \left(\frac{1}{\beta^{t+l}} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\beta^t} \right) \\
&= \frac{N_6}{\beta^t} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\rho} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\rho^l} \right) \leq \frac{N_6 \rho}{\beta^t (\rho - 1)} \rightarrow 0 \ (t \rightarrow \infty).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the sequence $\{\dot{\mathbf{M}}^t\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. □

Appendix B. The proof of Theorem 6

Assumption 1: A denoiser is said to be bounded with a nonnegative parameter δ if the function $\mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{X}, \delta) : \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times 3} \mapsto \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times 3}$ satisfies, for any input $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times 3}$ and δ ,

$$\|\mathfrak{D}(\mathcal{X}, \delta) - \mathcal{X}\|_F^2 \leq \delta^2 C \quad (\text{B.1})$$

for some universal constant C independent of I_1, I_2 and δ .

Theorem 6: Let $\phi = \{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}, \dot{\mathbf{X}}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2, \dot{\mathbf{M}}, \mathcal{S}, \dot{\Lambda}_1, \dot{\Lambda}_2, \mathcal{T}\}$ and $\{\phi^t\}_{t=1}^\infty$ be the sequence generated by CLQNMF-PnP algorithm. If Assumption 1 holds and the dual variable sequences $\{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t\}$, $\{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t\}$ and $\{\mathcal{T}^t\}$ are bounded. Then, the primal variable sequences $\{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{M}}^t\}$ and $\{\mathcal{S}^t\}$ are Cauchy sequences.

Proof. Similar to the proof of Theorem 5, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{L}_{\beta^{t+1}}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \mathcal{S}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1}, \mathcal{T}^{t+1}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \|\mathcal{P}_\Omega(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Y}})\|_F^2 + \lambda (\|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\|_* - \alpha \|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\|_F) + \sum_{i=1}^2 \Psi(\dot{\mathbf{D}}_i^{t+1}) + \lambda_2 \Phi_{\text{pnp}}(\mathcal{S}) \\
&+ \frac{\beta^{t+1}}{2} \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - (\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \Re \left(\langle \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - (\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1} \rangle \right) \\
&+ \frac{\beta^{t+1}}{2} \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \Re \left(\langle \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1} \rangle \right) + \frac{\beta^{t+1}}{2} \|\mathcal{X}^{t+1} - \mathcal{S}^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \langle \mathcal{X}^{t+1} - \mathcal{S}^{t+1}, \mathcal{T}^{t+1} \rangle \\
&= \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \mathcal{S}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\Lambda}_2^t, \mathcal{T}^t) \\
&+ \Re \left(\langle \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - (\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1} - \dot{\Lambda}_1^t \rangle \right) + \frac{\beta^{t+1} - \beta^t}{2} \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - (\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \Re \left(\langle \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t \rangle \right) \\
&+ \frac{\beta^{t+1} - \beta^t}{2} \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \langle \mathcal{X}^{t+1} - \mathcal{S}^{t+1}, \mathcal{T}^{t+1} - \mathcal{T}^t \rangle + \frac{\beta^{t+1} - \beta^t}{2} \|\mathcal{S}^{t+1} - \mathcal{X}^{t+1}\|_F^2 \\
&= \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \mathcal{S}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\Lambda}_2^t, \mathcal{T}^t) + \frac{\beta^{t+1} + \beta^t}{2(\beta^t)^2} (\|\dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1} - \dot{\Lambda}_1^t\|_F^2 + \|\dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t\|_F^2 + \|\mathcal{T}^{t+1} - \mathcal{T}^t\|_F^2).
\end{aligned}$$

Since the sequences $\{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t\}$, $\{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t\}$ and $\{\mathcal{T}^t\}$ are assumed to be bounded, therefore $\{\dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1} - \dot{\Lambda}_1^t\}$, $\{\dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t\}$ and $\{\mathcal{T}^{t+1} - \mathcal{T}^t\}$ are also bounded. Let N_1 , N_2 and N_7 be the corresponding upper bounds, namely $\|\dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1} - \dot{\Lambda}_1^t\|_F \leq N_1$, $\|\dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t\|_F \leq N_2$ and $\|\mathcal{T}^{t+1} - \mathcal{T}^t\|_F \leq N_7$. Moreover, the following inequality holds:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\beta^{t+1}}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \mathcal{S}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1}, \mathcal{T}^{t+1}) \leq \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t, \mathcal{S}^t, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^t, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^t, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^t, \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\Lambda}_2^t, \mathcal{T}^t)$$

Since the optimal solutions $\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}$ have been obtained for their respective subproblems, it follows that:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{L}_{\beta^{t+1}}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \mathcal{S}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1}, \mathcal{T}^{t+1}) \\ & \leq \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \mathcal{S}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\Lambda}_2^t, \mathcal{T}^{t+1}) + \frac{\beta^{t+1} + \beta^t}{2(\beta^t)^2} (N_1^2 + N_2^2 + N_7^2) \\ & \leq \mathcal{L}_{\beta^0}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^1, \mathcal{S}^1, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^1, \dot{\Lambda}_1^0, \dot{\Lambda}_2^0, \mathcal{T}^0) + (N_1^2 + N_2^2 + N_7^2) \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{\beta^{t+1} + \beta^t}{2(\beta^t)^2} \\ & \leq \mathcal{L}_{\beta^0}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^1, \mathcal{S}^1, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^1, \dot{\Lambda}_1^0, \dot{\Lambda}_2^0, \mathcal{T}^0) + (N_1^2 + N_2^2 + N_7^2) \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{1 + \rho}{2\beta^0\rho^t} \\ & \leq \mathcal{L}_{\beta^0}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^1, \mathcal{S}^1, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^1, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^1, \dot{\Lambda}_1^0, \dot{\Lambda}_2^0, \mathcal{T}^0) + \frac{N_1^2 + N_2^2 + N_7^2}{\beta^0} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\rho^{t-1}} < +\infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, \mathcal{L} is bounded. Next we prove that the sequences $\{\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\}$, $\{\mathcal{S}^{t+1}\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}\}$, and $\{\dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}\}$ are bounded.

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \|\mathcal{P}_\Omega(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{Y}})\|_F^2 + \lambda_1 (\|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\|_* - \alpha \|\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\|_F) + \sum_{i=1}^2 \Psi(\dot{\mathbf{D}}_i^{t+1}) + \lambda_2 \Phi_{\text{ppnp}}(\mathcal{S}^{k+1}) \\ & = \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \mathcal{S}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\Lambda}_2^t, \mathcal{T}^t) - \Re \left(\langle \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - (\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1} \rangle \right) - \frac{\beta^t}{2} \|\dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}\|_F^2 \\ & \quad - \Re \left(\langle \dot{\Lambda}_2^t, \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1} \rangle \right) - \frac{\beta^t}{2} \|(\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1})^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1} \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \langle \mathcal{T}^t, \mathcal{X}^{t+1} - \mathcal{S}^{t+1} \rangle - \frac{\beta^t}{2} \|\mathcal{S}^{t+1} - \mathcal{X}^{t+1}\| \\ & = \mathcal{L}_{\beta^t}(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}, \mathcal{S}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{M}}^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}, \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}, \dot{\Lambda}_1^t, \dot{\Lambda}_2^t, \mathcal{T}^t) + \frac{1}{2\beta^t} (\|\dot{\Lambda}_1^t\|_F^2 - \|\dot{\Lambda}_1^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \|\dot{\Lambda}_2^t\|_F^2 - \|\dot{\Lambda}_2^{t+1}\|_F^2 + \|\mathcal{T}^t\|_F^2 - \|\mathcal{T}^{t+1}\|_F^2). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\{\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^{t+1}\}$, $\{\mathcal{S}^{t+1}\}$, $\{\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^{t+1}\}$, and $\{\dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^{t+1}\}$ are bounded.

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t\|_F \\ & = \|\mathcal{P}_{\Omega^c} \left(\frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t}{3} \right) + \mathcal{P}_\Omega \left(\frac{\beta^t(\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t) + \dot{\mathbf{Y}}}{1 + 3\beta^t} \right) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1}}{3\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{(\dot{\mathbf{D}}_1^t)^H \dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t \dot{\mathbf{D}}_2^t}{3} \\ & \quad - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1}}{3\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{M}}^t}{3} - \frac{\mathcal{T}^t - \mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{3\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\mathcal{S}^t}{3}\|_F \\ & = \|\mathcal{P}_{\Omega^c} \left(\frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t}{3} \right) + \mathcal{P}_\Omega \left(\frac{\beta^t(\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t) + \dot{\mathbf{Y}}}{1 + 3\beta^t} \right) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1}}{3\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{\beta^t}}{3} \\ & \quad - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1}}{3\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t + \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t}{\beta^t}}{3} - \frac{\mathcal{T}^t - \mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{3\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t + \frac{\mathcal{T}^t}{\beta^t}}{3}\|_F \\ & = \|\mathcal{P}_{\Omega^c} \left(\frac{\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t}{2} \right) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1}}{3\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t}{3\beta^t} - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1}}{3\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_2^t}{3\beta^t} - \frac{\mathcal{T}^t - \mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{3\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\mathcal{T}^t}{3\beta^t} \\ & \quad + \mathcal{P}_\Omega \left(\frac{3\beta^t(\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t) + 3\dot{\mathbf{Y}} - (\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t) - 3\beta^t(\dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t + \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t)}{3(1 + 3\beta^t)} \right)\|_F \\ & = \|\mathcal{P}_\Omega \left(\frac{3\dot{\mathbf{Y}} - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t}{3(1 + 3\beta^t)} \right) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t + \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1} - \mathcal{T}^t + \mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{3\beta^{t-1}} - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \mathcal{T}^t}{3\beta^t}\|_F \\ & = \frac{1}{\beta^t} \|\frac{\beta^t}{3(1 + 3\beta^t)} \mathcal{P}_\Omega(3\dot{\mathbf{Y}} - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t) - \frac{\rho}{3} (\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_1^{t-1} - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t + \dot{\Lambda}_2^{t-1} - \mathcal{T}^t + \mathcal{T}^{t-1}) - \frac{\dot{\Lambda}_1^t - \dot{\Lambda}_2^t - \mathcal{T}^t}{3}\|_F. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\mathbf{R}_4^t = \frac{\beta^t}{3(1+3\beta^t)} \mathcal{P}_\Omega(3\dot{\mathbf{Y}} - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_1^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_2^t - \dot{\mathbf{T}}_3^t) - \frac{\rho}{3}(\dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^{t-1} - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t + \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^{t-1} - \mathcal{T}^t + \mathcal{T}^{t-1}) - \frac{\dot{\mathbf{A}}_1^t - \dot{\mathbf{A}}_2^t - \mathcal{T}^t}{3}$, then we have that \mathbf{R}_4^t is bounded. Assuming that $\|\mathbf{R}_4^t\|_F \leq N_8$, then it derives

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+l+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t\|_F \\ & \leq \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+l+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+l}\|_F + \dots + \|\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1} - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^t\|_F \\ & = \frac{\|\mathbf{R}_4^{t+l}\|_F}{\beta^{t+l}} + \dots + \frac{\|\mathbf{R}_4^t\|_F}{\beta^t} \leq N_8 \left(\frac{1}{\beta^{t+l}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\beta^t} \right) \\ & = \frac{N_8}{\beta^t} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\rho} + \dots + \frac{1}{\rho^l} \right) \leq \frac{N_8 \rho}{\beta^t (\rho - 1)} \rightarrow 0 \ (t \rightarrow \infty). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\{\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. The proof that $\{\dot{\mathbf{Z}}^t\}$ and $\{\dot{\mathbf{M}}^t\}$ are Cauchy sequences is similar to that in Theorem 5.

Next, we prove that the sequence $\{\mathcal{S}^t\}$ is also a Cauchy sequence.

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\mathcal{S}^{t+1} - \mathcal{S}^t\|_F \\ & = \|\mathfrak{D} \left(\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^t}{\beta^t}, \sqrt{\gamma/\beta^t} \right) - \left(\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^t}{\beta^t} \right) + \left(\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^t}{\beta^t} \right) - \left(\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{\beta^{t-1}} \right) + \left(\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{\beta^{t-1}} \right) - \mathcal{S}^t\|_F \\ & \leq \|\mathfrak{D} \left(\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^t}{\beta^t}, \sqrt{\gamma/\beta^t} \right) - \left(\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^t}{\beta^t} \right)\|_F + \|\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^t}{\beta^t} - \Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t) - \frac{\mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{\beta^{t-1}}\|_F + \left\| \left(\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{\beta^{t-1}} \right) - \mathcal{S}^t \right\|_F \\ & \leq \sqrt{\frac{\gamma C}{\beta^t}} + \|\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}) - \Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^t}{\beta^t} - \frac{\mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{\beta^{t-1}}\|_F + \|\mathfrak{D} \left(\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{\beta^{t-1}}, \sqrt{\gamma/\beta^{t-1}} \right) - \left(\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t) + \frac{\mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{\beta^{t-1}} \right)\|_F \\ & \leq \sqrt{\frac{\gamma C}{\beta^t}} + \|\Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^{t+1}) - \Gamma(\dot{\mathbf{X}}^t)\|_F + \left\| \frac{\mathcal{T}^t}{\beta^t} - \frac{\mathcal{T}^{t-1}}{\beta^{t-1}} \right\|_F + \sqrt{\frac{\gamma C}{\beta^{t-1}}} \\ & \leq \sqrt{\frac{\gamma C}{\beta^t}} + \sqrt{\frac{\gamma C}{\beta^{t-1}}} + \frac{\|\mathbf{R}_4^t\|_F}{\beta^t} + \frac{1}{\beta^t} \|\mathcal{T}^t - \rho \mathcal{T}^{t-1}\|_F \\ & = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta^t}} \left(\sqrt{\gamma C} + \sqrt{\rho \gamma C} + \frac{\|\mathbf{R}_4^t\|_F}{\sqrt{\beta^t}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta^t}} \|\mathcal{T}^t - \rho \mathcal{T}^{t-1}\|_F \right) \end{aligned}$$

Let $\mathbf{R}_5^t = \sqrt{\gamma C} + \sqrt{\rho \gamma C} + \frac{\|\mathbf{R}_4^t\|_F}{\sqrt{\beta^t}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta^t}} \|\mathcal{T}^t - \rho \mathcal{T}^{t-1}\|_F$. Obviously, \mathbf{R}_5^t is bounded, and assuming that $\|\mathbf{R}_5^t\|_F \leq N_9$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\mathcal{S}^{t+l+1} - \mathcal{S}^t\|_F \\ & \leq \|\mathcal{S}^{t+l+1} - \mathcal{S}^{t+l}\|_F + \dots + \|\mathcal{S}^{t+1} - \mathcal{S}^t\|_F \\ & \leq \frac{N_9}{\sqrt{\beta^{t+l}}} + \dots + \frac{N_9}{\sqrt{\beta^t}} = N_9 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta^{t+l}}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta^t}} \right) = \frac{N_9}{\sqrt{\beta^t}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\rho} + \dots + \frac{1}{\rho^l} \right) \\ & \leq \frac{N_9 \rho}{\sqrt{\beta^t} (\rho - 1)} \rightarrow 0 \ (t \rightarrow \infty). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\{\mathcal{S}^t\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. □