## Algorithm 1 Meta-algorithm

**Require:** A step size  $\alpha$ , and a set  $\mathcal{H}$  containing step sizes for experts and  $\mathbf{w}_0$ 

- 1: Activate a set of experts  $\{E^{\eta}|\eta\in\mathcal{H}\}$  by invoking Algorithm 2 for each step size  $\eta\in\mathcal{H}$
- 2: **for** t = 1, ..., T **do**
- 3: Receive  $\mathbf{x}_t^{\eta}$  from each expert  $E^{\eta}$
- 4: Output

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_t^{\eta} \mathbf{x}_t^{\eta}$$

- 5: Query the gradient of  $f_t(\cdot)$  at  $\mathbf{x}_t$
- 6: Construct the surrogate loss  $l_t(\cdot)$

$$l_t(\mathbf{x}_t^{\eta}, \eta) = \langle \nabla f_t(\mathbf{x}_t), \mathbf{x}_t^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_t \rangle + ||\mathbf{x}_t^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}||$$

7: Construct the new target function

$$F_t(\mathbf{w}_t) = \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_t^{\eta} l_t(\mathbf{x}_t^{\eta}, \eta)$$

8: Update the weight of each expert by

$$\mathbf{w}_{t+1} = \Pi_{\mathcal{W}} [\mathbf{w}_t - \alpha_t \nabla F_t(w_t)]$$

W is the probability simplex of which dimension is N(the number of experts)

- 9: Send gradient  $\nabla f_t(\mathbf{x}_t)$  to each expert  $E^{\eta}$
- 10: **end for**

#### **Algorithm 2** Expert-algorithm(As same as Ader)

**Require:** The step size  $\eta$ 

- 1: Let  $\mathbf{x}_1^{\eta}$  be any point in  $\mathcal{X}$
- 2: **for** t = 1, ..., T **do**
- 3: Submit  $\mathbf{x}_t^{\eta}$  to the meta-algorithm
- 4: Receive gradient  $\nabla f_t(\mathbf{x}_t)$  from the meta-algorithm

5:

$$\mathbf{x}_{t+1}^{\eta} = \Pi_{\mathcal{X}} \big[ \mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \eta \nabla f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}) \big]$$

6: end for

$$N = \left\lceil \frac{1}{2} \log_2(1 + 4T/7) \right\rceil + 1$$

#### 1. Meta-algorithm

$$l_t(\mathbf{x}_t^{\eta}, \eta) = \langle \nabla f_t(\mathbf{x}_t), \mathbf{x}_t^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_t \rangle + \|\mathbf{x}_t^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\|$$
 (1)

$$f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x}^*) \le \langle \nabla f_t(\mathbf{x}_t), \mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x}_t \rangle - \langle \nabla f_t(\mathbf{x}_t), \mathbf{x}^* - \mathbf{x}_t \rangle$$
 (2)

$$\|\nabla F_t(\mathbf{w}_t)\| = \sqrt{\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} l_t(\mathbf{x}_t^{\eta}, \eta)^2} \le (G+1)D\sqrt{N} = G_{meta}$$
(3)

$$\|\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{y}\|_{\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{W}} \le 2 = D_{meta} \tag{4}$$

**Lemma 1** With assumption  $\|\nabla f_t(\mathbf{x})\| \leq G$  and  $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{X}} \leq D$  Online gradient descent with step sizes  $\eta_t = \frac{D}{G\sqrt{t}}$  guarantees the following for all  $T \geq 1$ :

$$regret_T = \sum_{t=1}^{T} f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - \sum_{t=1}^{T} f_t(\mathbf{x}^*) \le \frac{3}{2}GD\sqrt{T}$$

So

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} F_t(\mathbf{w}_t) - F_t(\mathbf{w}^*) \le \frac{3}{2} D_{meta} G_{meta} \sqrt{T}$$
(5)

when  $\alpha_t = \frac{D_{meta}}{G_{meta}\sqrt{t}}$ 

$$F_{t}(\mathbf{w}_{t}) - F_{t}(\mathbf{w}^{*}) = \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} l_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta}) - l_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}})$$

$$\stackrel{(1)}{=} \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \langle \nabla f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}), \mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t} \rangle + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| - \langle \nabla f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}), \mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t} \rangle - \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$= \langle \nabla f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}), \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t} \rangle + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| - \langle \nabla f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}), \mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t} \rangle - \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$= \langle \nabla f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}), \mathbf{x}_{t} - \mathbf{x}_{t} \rangle + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| - \langle \nabla f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}), \mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t} \rangle - \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$\stackrel{(2)}{\geq} f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}) + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| - f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}}) - \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$\stackrel{(2)}{\geq} f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}) + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| - f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}}) - \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$(6)$$

The regret with switching cost about  $f_t(\mathbf{x})$  is

$$f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}) + \|\mathbf{x}_{t} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}\| - f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}}) - \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$= f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}) + \|\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t-1}^{\eta} \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| - f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}}) - \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$\leq f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}) + \|\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| - \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta} - \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t-1}^{\eta} \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| - f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}}) - \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$\leq f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}) + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} |w_{t}^{\eta} - w_{t-1}^{\eta}| \|\mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| - f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}}) - \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$\leq f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}) + \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{H}} w_{t}^{\eta} \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| + \sqrt{N} \|\mathbf{w}_{t} - \mathbf{w}_{t-1}\| D - f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}}) - \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$\stackrel{(6)}{\leq} F_{t}(\mathbf{w}_{t}) - F_{t}(\mathbf{w}^{*}) + \sqrt{N} \|\mathbf{w}_{t} - \mathbf{w}_{t-1}\| D$$

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$$(7)$$

So

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}) + \|\mathbf{x}_{t} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}\| - \sum_{t=1}^{T} f(x_{t}^{\eta^{*}}) + \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta^{*}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta^{*}}\|$$

$$\leq 3D_{meta}G_{meta}\sqrt{T} + \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sqrt{N}\|\mathbf{w}_{t} - \mathbf{w}_{t-1}\|D$$

$$\leq 3(G+1)D\sqrt{NT} + \sum_{t=1}^{T} \alpha_{t}\|\nabla F_{t-1}(\mathbf{w}_{t-1})\|\sqrt{ND}$$

$$\leq 3(G+1)D\sqrt{NT} + \sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{\sqrt{N}DD_{meta}}{\sqrt{t}}$$

$$\leq 3(G+1)D\sqrt{NT} + 2D\sqrt{NT}$$
(8)

So for any expert we have

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) + \|\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}\| - \sum_{t=1}^{T} f(x_t^{\eta}) + \|\mathbf{x}_t^{\eta} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta}\| \le 3(G+1)D\sqrt{NT} + 2D\sqrt{NT}$$
 (9)

### 2. Expert-algorithm(As same as Ader)

$$\eta^*(P_T) = \sqrt{\frac{7D^2 + 4DP_T}{2TG^2}}. (10)$$

for any possible value of  $P_T$ , there exists a step size  $\eta_k \in \mathcal{H}$ , such that

$$\eta_k = \frac{2^{k-1}D}{G}\sqrt{\frac{7}{2T}} \le \eta^*(P_T) \le 2\eta_k$$
(11)

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta_{k}}) + \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta_{k}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta_{k}}\| - \sum_{t=1}^{T} f_{t}(\mathbf{u}_{t})$$

$$\leq \frac{7D^{2}}{4\eta_{k}} + \frac{DP_{T}}{\eta_{k}} + \frac{\eta_{k}TG^{2}}{2} + \sum_{t=1}^{T} \|\mathbf{x}_{t}^{\eta_{k}} - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}^{\eta_{k}}\|$$

$$\leq \frac{7D^{2}}{2\eta^{*}(P_{T})} + \frac{2DP_{T}}{\eta^{*}(P_{T})} + \frac{\eta^{*}(P_{T})TG^{2}}{2} + T\eta^{*}G$$

$$\leq \frac{3G}{4}\sqrt{2T(7D^{2} + 4DP_{T})} + \sqrt{\frac{T(7D^{2} + 4DP_{T})}{2}}$$
(12)

# 3. Algorithm

Combine (9) and (12)

$$\sum_{t=1}^{T} f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) + \|\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x}_{t-1}\| - \sum_{t=1}^{T} f_t(\mathbf{u}_t) 
\leq \frac{3G}{4} \sqrt{2T(7D^2 + 4DP_T)} + \sqrt{\frac{T(7D^2 + 4DP_T)}{2}} + 3(G+1)D\sqrt{NT} + 2D\sqrt{NT}$$
(13)