

Proof. From the definition of virtual queue in (8), we can get $Q_k(t+1)^2 \leq (Q_k(t) + \beta_k - x_k(t))^2$, which can be combined with (11).

$$\begin{aligned}
\triangle(Q(t)) &= \mathbb{E}[L(Q(t+1)) - L(Q(t)) | Q(t)] \\
&= \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} Q_k(t+1)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} Q_k(t)^2 \middle| Q(t)\right] \\
&\leq \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} (\beta_k - x_k(t))^2 + \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} Q_k(t)(\beta_k - x_k(t)) \middle| Q(t)\right] \\
&\leq B + \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} Q_k(t)(\beta_k - x_k(t)) \middle| Q(t)\right]
\end{aligned}$$

Here, we have $B = \arg\max\{\frac{1}{2}(\beta_k - x_k(t))\}$, which shows that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{t \in T} V u_k(t) - \triangle(Q(t)) &= \sum_{t \in T} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \{V \mathbb{I}_{\{\tau_k(t) \leq \tau_{max}^t\}} u_k(t) - \mathbb{E}[L(Q(t+1)) - L(Q(t)) | Q(t)]\} \\
&\geq \sum_{t \in T} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \{V \mathbb{I}_{\{\tau_k(t) \leq \tau_{max}^t\}} u_k(t) - Q_k(t)(\beta_k - x_k(t)) - B\}
\end{aligned}$$