

# Supplementary Material for “An ADMM-based Battery Dispatch Optimization for Electric Vehicle Aggregators with Input-Discriminative Local Differential Privacy Budgets”

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## I. PROOF OF THEOREM 1

There exists an optimal battery dispatch optimization (BDO) solution  $\mathbf{x}_i^{t*}$  with the minimum objective function value  $\mathbf{F}^*$  for the non-private BDO model (1a)-(1e). We incorporate  $\mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*} \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^{N_E} \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*} = \mathbf{p}_{ref}^t$ . Then,

$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^{N_E} \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}_i^{t*} - \mathbf{p}_{ref}^t \right\|_2 = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{N_E} (\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}_i^{t*} - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*}) \right\|_2$  can hold. Clearly,  $\sum_{t=1}^{N_T} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{N_E} (\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}_i^{t*} - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*}) \right\|_2 = \sum_{t=1}^{N_T} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{N_E} \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}_i^{t*} - \mathbf{p}_{ref}^t \right\|_2 = \mathbf{F}^*$  can be achieved. This proves that  $(\mathbf{x}_i^{t*}, \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*}) \in \mathcal{X}$  can be the optimal BDO solution with the minimum objective function value  $\mathbf{F}^*$ .

Due to the triangle inequality of norms, i.e.,  $|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$  for any real-valued numbers  $a$  and  $b$ , we obtain that  $\mathbf{F}^* \leq \mathbf{F} \leq \mathbf{G}$  naturally holds. This suggests that  $\mathbf{F}^*$  can be the lower bound of  $\mathbf{G}$  over  $\mathcal{X}$ . In other words,  $(\mathbf{x}_i^{t*}, \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*}) \in \mathcal{X}$  can be the optimal solution iff the minimum function value  $\mathbf{G}^* = \mathbf{F}^*$  is achieved, which demonstrates  $(\mathbf{x}_i^{t*}, \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*})$  can be also the optimal BDO solution for minimizing the objective function  $\mathbf{G}$  over the feasibility space  $\mathcal{X}$ . This proves Theorem 1. ■

## II. PROOF OF THEOREM 2

First, we prove that the optimal charge-discharge solution  $\mathbf{x}_i^{t*} = \mathbf{x}_i^{t*}$  holds for the  $i$ -th EV. It is clear that  $\mathbf{d}_i^{t*} = \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}_i^{t*} - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*} + \alpha_i^{t*} \xi_i^t$  stands. We denote  $\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{sig,i}^{t*} = \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*} + \alpha_i^{t*} \xi_i^t$ . Then, we have  $\mathbf{d}_i^{t*} = \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}_i^{t*} - \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{sig,i}^{t*} + \alpha_i^{t*} \xi_i^t$ . As  $\mathbf{d}_i^{t*} \geq \mathbf{d}_i^{t*}$  and  $\mathbf{y}_i^{t*} = \mathbf{d}_i^{t*}$  achieved at optimality, minimizing the objective function  $g_i$  ensures  $\mathbf{d}_i^{t*} = \mathbf{d}_i^{t*}$ , where other two terms in  $g_i$  can be held, i.e.,  $\mu^t(\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{sig,i}^{t*} - \alpha_i^{t*} \xi_i^t) = \mu^t \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*}$  and  $\frac{\rho}{2} \left\| \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^{N_E} \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{sig,j}^{t*} + \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{sig,i}^{t*} - \mathbf{p}_{ref}^t \right\|_2^2 = \frac{\rho}{2} \left\| \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^{N_E} \mathbf{p}_{sig,j}^{t*} + \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*} - \mathbf{p}_{ref}^t \right\|_2^2 \approx 0$  at convergence. Thus, we rewrite  $\mathbf{d}_i^{t*} = \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}_i^{t*} - \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{sig,i}^{t*} + \alpha_i^{t*} \xi_i^t$ . This suggests that  $\mathbf{x}_i^{t*} = \mathbf{x}_i^{t*}$  holds with obfuscated  $\tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{sig,i}^{t*} = \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t*} + \alpha_i^{t*} \xi_i^t$  for the proposed privacy-preserving BDO model.

Second, we prove that  $\mathcal{M}$  is  $r_{\varepsilon,i}$ -input-discriminative differentially locally private (ID-LDP) with respect to the local dataset of sub-problem  $i$  during all iterations. Let the query output answer for the sub-problem  $i$  be  $\mathcal{O}_i^t = \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{sig,i}^t$ , and we alternatively rewrite (A-1) in the definition of  $\varepsilon_i$ -LDP for the sub-problem  $i$  [1]:

$$\mathbb{P}_{\xi}[\mathcal{M}_i = \mathcal{O}_i^t | \mathbf{x}_i^t] \leq \mathbb{P}_{\xi}[\mathcal{M}_i = \mathcal{O}_i^t | \mathbf{x}_i^{t'}] e^{r_{\varepsilon,i}}, \quad (\text{A-1})$$

for two  $r_{\varepsilon,i}$ -indistinguishable charge-discharge solutions  $\mathbf{x}_i^t$  and  $\mathbf{x}_i^{t'}$ . For convenience, the query output  $\mathcal{O}_i^t$  of  $i$ -th EV for  $\forall t \in \mathcal{T}$  with a random noise  $\xi_i^t$  can be written as  $\mathcal{O}_i^t = \tilde{\mathbf{p}}_{sig,i}^t = \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^t + \alpha_i^t \xi_i^t$  where  $\forall t \in \mathcal{T}$ .

Therefore, the ratio of probabilities on two  $\varepsilon_i$ -indistinguishable charge-discharge solutions  $\mathbf{x}_i^t$  and  $\mathbf{x}_i^{t'}$  can be bounded by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathbb{P}_{\xi}[\mathcal{M}_i = \mathcal{O}_i^t | \mathbf{x}_i^t]}{\mathbb{P}_{\xi}[\mathcal{M}_i = \mathcal{O}_i^t | \mathbf{x}_i^{t'}]} &= \frac{\mathbb{P}_{\xi}[\mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^t + \alpha_i^t \xi_i^t = \mathcal{O}_i^t | \mathbf{x}_i^t]}{\mathbb{P}_{\xi}[\mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t'} + \alpha_i^t \xi_i^t = \mathcal{O}_i^t | \mathbf{x}_i^{t'}]} \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{P}_{\xi}[\alpha_i^t \xi_i^t = \mathcal{O}_i^t - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^t | \mathbf{x}_i^t]}{\mathbb{P}_{\xi}[\alpha_i^t \xi_i^t = \mathcal{O}_i^t - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t'} | \mathbf{x}_i^{t'}]} \stackrel{(i)}{=} \frac{\alpha_i^t \exp\left\{\frac{r_{\varepsilon,i} \|\mathcal{O}_i^t - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^t\|_1}{\Delta_{\rho,i}}\right\}}{\alpha_i^t \exp\left\{\frac{r_{\varepsilon,i} \|\mathcal{O}_i^t - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t'}\|_1}{\Delta_{\rho,i}}\right\}} \\ &= \exp\left(\frac{r_{\varepsilon,i} \|\mathcal{O}_i^t - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^t\|_1 - r_{\varepsilon,i} \|\mathcal{O}_i^t - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t'}\|_1}{\Delta_{\rho,i}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

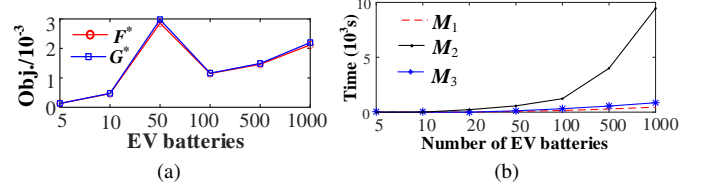


Fig. 1. (a) Optimal objective function values; (b) CPU time.

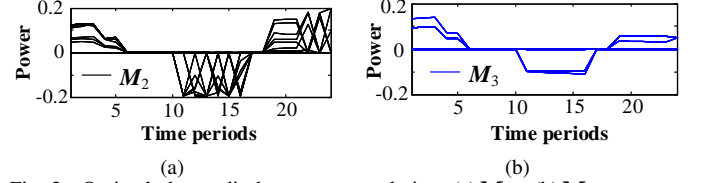


Fig. 2. Optimal charge-discharge power solution: (a)  $M_2$ ; (b)  $M_3$ .

$$\stackrel{(ii)}{\leq} \exp\left(\frac{r_{\varepsilon,i} \|\mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^t - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t'}\|_1}{\Delta_{\rho,i}}\right) \stackrel{(iii)}{\leq} \exp\left(\frac{r_{\varepsilon,i} \Delta_{\rho,i}}{\Delta_{\rho,i}}\right) = e^{r_{\varepsilon,i}}, \quad (\text{A-2})$$

where (i) comes from the definition of the probability density function of the Gaussian distribution. In (ii) step, it is followed by the inequality of norms, i.e.,  $|a| - |b| \leq |a - b|$  for any real-valued numbers  $a$  and  $b$ . For the (iii) step,  $\|\mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^t - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t'}\|_1$  denotes the  $\ell_1$ -sensitivity on  $\rho$ -indistinguishable output datasets  $\mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^t$  and  $\mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t'}$  subject to  $\|\mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^t - \mathbf{p}_{sig,i}^{t'}\|_1 \leq \Delta_{\rho,i}$ .

Accordingly, it is clear that (A-1) holds based on (A-2), which proves this Theorem. ■

## III. ADDITIONAL CASE STUDY FOR THEOREM 1

The computational performance of this proposed ADMM-based BDO approach by **Theorem 1** can be verified in this section. For brevity, three methods are compared: the LP-based approach in [2] ( $M_1$ ), and the MIQP-based BDO model solved using commercial solver MOSEK ( $M_2$ ) for comparison with the proposed ADMM-based BDO method ( $M_3$ ). In Fig. 1(a), we plot the minimum objective function value  $\mathbf{F}^*$  obtained from the benchmark  $M_2$  and compare it to  $\mathbf{G}^*$  obtained from the proposed  $M_3$  for the case with the different numbers of EVs, i.e., 5, 20, 20, 50, 100, 500 and 1000. We observe that, indeed,  $\mathbf{G}^* \approx \mathbf{F}^*$  in all cases. Moreover, Fig. 1(b) reports the computation time with respect to the numbers of EV batteries.  $M_1$  incurs the least computational time because  $M_1$  is free of binary variables, but it can result in infeasible solutions featuring simultaneous charging and discharging. And  $M_3$  is superior to both  $M_2$  with respect to computational time. In fact, for the case with  $N_E = 1000$  EVs,  $M_3$  converges to the optimal solution in 12.67% of the time taken by  $M_2$ . To further demonstrate the numbers of charging/discharging switches in  $M_2$  and  $M_3$ , Figs. 2(a) and 2(b) present the specific optimal charge-discharge power solutions for the case with  $N_E = 10$  EVs. In Fig. 2(a),  $M_2$  incurs many charging and discharging actions over 24 hours, while  $M_3$  imposes few charging and discharging actions, as shown in Fig. 2(b). This is highly beneficial as charging/discharging switches degrade the remaining useful life of EV batteries. This case study showcases that an ADMM-based BDO approach established by **Theorem 1** outperforms existing methods for solving BDO problems in terms of computational time and switching times.

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