

Supplement to Time-Varying Noise Perturbation and Power Control for Differential-Privacy-Preserving Wireless Federated Learning

APPENDIX A

PROOF OF LEMMA 1

The privacy loss of the Algorithm 1 is defined by $\exp(\psi(\gamma))$ [16], where $\psi(\gamma)$ is the γ th moment, which is the logarithm of the moment generating function. Applying the decomposability theorem [16, Theorem 2], the γ th moment of Algorithm 1 is upper bounded by

$$\psi(\gamma) \leq \sum_{t=1}^T \psi_t(\gamma) \leq \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{K}{N} \frac{\gamma(\gamma+1)\Delta_f^2}{2(\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2)}, \quad (15)$$

where $\psi_t(\gamma)$ denotes the γ th moment at the t th FL iteration of Algorithm 1 and Δ_f is defined in (4). For any $\epsilon > 0$, applying the tail bound of the moment [16, Theorem 2] gives

$$\tilde{\delta} = \min_{\lambda} \exp(\psi(\gamma) - \gamma\epsilon) \quad (16a)$$

$$= \min_{\lambda} \exp\left(\sum_{t=1}^T \frac{K}{N} \frac{\gamma(\gamma+1)\Delta_f^2}{2(\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2)} - \gamma\epsilon\right). \quad (16b)$$

Defining $p(\gamma) = \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{K\Delta_f^2}{2N(\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2)} \gamma(\gamma+1) - \gamma\epsilon$, the problem (16b) is equivalent to $\gamma^* = \arg\min_{\gamma} p(\gamma)$. It is not difficult to verify that the latter problem is convex. Therefore, the optimal solution γ^* can be obtained by equating the first-order derivative to 0, i.e., $p'(\gamma^*) = 0$. Specifically, $\sum_{t=1}^T \frac{K\Delta_f^2}{2N(\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2)} (2\gamma^* + 1) - \epsilon = 0$, leading to

$$\gamma^* = \omega\epsilon - \frac{1}{2}, \quad (17)$$

where the last equality follows from (4) and the definition of ω in Lemma 1. Substituting (17) into $p(\gamma)$ gives $p(\gamma^*) = -\frac{(2\omega\epsilon+1)^2}{8\omega}$, implying that $\tilde{\delta} = \exp\left(-\frac{(2\omega\epsilon+1)^2}{8\omega}\right)$. Therefore, the proposed Algorithm 1 ensures (ϵ, δ) -DP for all $\delta \geq \tilde{\delta}$, which completes the proof.

APPENDIX B

PROOF OF LEMMA 3

We note that the term $\mathbb{E}[\|\hat{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1} - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2]$ is independent of the DP noise \mathbf{z}_t and wireless channel noise \mathbf{n}_t . Hence, applying the conventional result in FL in [18, Lemma 2] to $\mathbb{E}[\|\hat{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1} - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2]$ gives

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\hat{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1} - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] \leq (1 + N\eta_t^2)(1 - \mu\eta_t)^E \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_t - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + E(E-1)^2 L^2 \frac{\sigma_f^2}{N} e\eta_t^2 + \frac{E^2 \sigma^2 \eta_t^2}{2} + E^2(E-1)L^2 \sigma^2 e\eta_t^4. \quad (18)$$

This completes the proof.

APPENDIX C

PROOF OF LEMMA 4

We have

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\widehat{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1} - \overline{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1}\|^2] = \mathbb{E}\left[\left\|\mathbf{w}_t + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{u}_{n,t} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)}\right\|^2\right], \quad (19a)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[\left\|\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{u}_{n,t} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t)\right\|^2\right], \quad (19b)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[\left\|\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \left(c_{k,t}(\mathbf{w}_t^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t) - (\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t)\right)\right\|^2\right], \quad (19c)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbb{E}\left[\left\|c_{k,t}(\mathbf{w}_t^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t) - (\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t)\right\|^2\right], \quad (19d)$$

where the last inequality is due to the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality. Applying Lemma 2 for $p = 2$ gives

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left\|c_{k,t}(\mathbf{w}_t^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t) - (\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t)\right\|^2\right] \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t\|^2]}{C}. \quad (20)$$

Plugging (20) into (19d) yields

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\widehat{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1} - \overline{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1}\|^2] \leq \frac{1}{NC} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t\|^2]. \quad (21)$$

From the standard result of local SGD in [18, Eqn. (59)], we have

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left\|\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t\right\|^2\right] \leq 2E^2 L^2 \eta_t^2 \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_t - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + 2E^2 \sigma_f^2 \eta_t^2 + 2(E-1)E^2 L^2 \sigma_f^2 e \eta_t^4, \forall n. \quad (22)$$

Substituting (22) into (21), we have the following,

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\widehat{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1} - \overline{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1}\|^2] \leq \frac{1}{C} \left(2E^2 L^2 \eta_t^2 \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_t - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + 2E^2 \sigma_f^2 \eta_t^2 + 2(E-1)E^2 L^2 \sigma_f^2 e \eta_t^4 \right). \quad (23)$$

This completes the proof.

APPENDIX D

PROOF OF LEMMA 5

We let $\hat{\mathbf{g}}_{t+1} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{u}_{n,t}$. Then, the following holds

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{t+1} - \hat{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1}\|^2] &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{K}} \left[\left\| \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} (\sqrt{\rho} \mathbf{u}_{k,t} + \mathbf{z}_t + \mathbf{n}_t) - \hat{\mathbf{g}}_{t+1} \right\|^2 \right], \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{K}} \left[\left\| \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \sqrt{\rho} \mathbf{u}_{k,t} - \hat{\mathbf{g}}_{t+1} \right\|^2 \right] + \frac{\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2}{K}, \end{aligned} \quad (24a)$$

$$\leq \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{K}} \left[\left\| \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} (\rho + 1)(\|\mathbf{u}_{k,t}\|^2 + \|\hat{\mathbf{g}}_{t+1}\|^2) \right\|^2 \right] + \frac{\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2}{K}, \quad (24b)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (\rho + 1) \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{K}} \left[\left\| \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \|\mathbf{u}_{k,t}\|^2 \right\|^2 \right] + \frac{\rho + 1}{K} \|\hat{\mathbf{g}}_{t+1}\|^2 + \frac{\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2}{K}, \\ &= (\rho + 1) \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \|\mathbf{u}_{n,t}\|^2 + \frac{\rho + 1}{K} \|\hat{\mathbf{g}}_{t+1}\|^2 + \frac{\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2}{K}, \\ &\leq (\rho + 1) \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \|\mathbf{u}_{n,t}\|^2 + \frac{\rho + 1}{KN} \sum_{n=1}^N \|\mathbf{u}_{n,t}\|^2 + \frac{\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2}{K}, \end{aligned} \quad (24c)$$

$$= \left(\frac{\rho + 1}{N} + \frac{\rho + 1}{KN} \right) \sum_{n=1}^N \|\mathbf{u}_{n,t}\|^2 + \frac{\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2}{K}, \quad (24d)$$

where (24a) is due to the fact that the DP noise \mathbf{z}_t a communication noise \mathbf{n}_t are independent to each other and they are independent of $\{\mathbf{u}_{k,t}\}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{g}}_{t+1}$ and (24b) and (24c) are due to the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

Next, we further upper bound the r.h.s. of (24d). We have the following,

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{u}_{n,t}\|^2] = \mathbb{E}[\|c_{k,t}(\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t)\|^2], \quad (25a)$$

$$\leq 2\mathbb{E}[\|c_{k,t}(\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t) - (\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t)\|^2] + 2\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t\|^2], \quad (25b)$$

$$\leq \left(\frac{2}{C} + 2 \right) \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{n,t}^{(E)} - \mathbf{w}_t\|^2], \quad (25c)$$

$$\leq \left(\frac{2}{C} + 2 \right) (2E^2 L^2 \eta_t^2 \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_t - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + 2E^2 \sigma_f^2 \eta_t^2 + 2(E - 1)E^2 L^2 \sigma_f^2 e \eta_t^4), \quad (25d)$$

where (25b) follows from Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, (25c) is due to Lemma 2 for $p = 2$, and (25d) follows from (22). From (25d) and (24d), we attain

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{t+1} - \hat{\mathbf{w}}_{t+1}\|^2] \leq \left(\rho + 1 + \frac{\rho + 1}{K} \right) \left(\frac{2}{C} + 2 \right) \left(2E^2 L^2 \eta_t^2 \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_t - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + 2E^2 \sigma_f^2 \eta_t^2 + 2(E - 1)E^2 L^2 \sigma_f^2 e \eta_t^4 \right) + \frac{\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2}{K}, \quad (26a)$$

$$= \alpha \left(2E^2 L^2 \eta_t^2 \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_t - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + 2E^2 \sigma_f^2 \eta_t^2 + 2(E - 1)E^2 L^2 \sigma_f^2 e \eta_t^4 \right) + \frac{\sigma_t^2 + \xi_t^2}{K}, \quad (26b)$$

$$\leq \alpha \left(2E^2 L^2 \eta_t^2 \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_t - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + 2E^2 \sigma_f^2 \eta_t^2 + 2(E - 1)E^2 L^2 \sigma_f^2 e \eta_t^4 \right) + \max_t \frac{\rho}{\theta_t K}, \quad (26c)$$

where the last inequality follows from the constraint in (6d). This completes the proof.

APPENDIX E

PROOF OF THEOREM 1

We have $\eta_t = \frac{4}{E\mu t} \leq \eta_{t_0} \leq \min \left\{ \frac{1}{E\mu}, \frac{E\mu}{4N}, \frac{\mu}{4E((\frac{6}{C} + 6\alpha)L^2 + \mu^2)} \right\}$. Hence, the following holds,

$$m_{1,t} = 3(1 + N\eta_t^2)(1 - \mu\eta_t)^E + (\frac{6}{C} + 6\alpha)E^2L^2\eta_t^2, \quad (27a)$$

$$= (1 + N\eta_t^2)(1 - \mu\eta_t)^2 3(1 - \mu\eta_t)^{E-2} + (\frac{6}{C} + 6\alpha)E^2L^2\eta_t^2, \quad (27b)$$

$$\leq (1 + N\eta_t^2)(1 - 2E\mu\eta_t + E^2\mu^2\eta_t^2) + (\frac{6}{C} + 6\alpha)E^2L^2\eta_t^2, \quad (27c)$$

$$\leq (1 + N\eta_t^2)(1 - E\mu\eta_t + E^2\mu^2\eta_t^2) + (\frac{6}{C} + 6\alpha)E^2L^2\eta_t^2, \quad (27d)$$

$$= 1 - E\mu\eta_t + E^2\mu^2\eta_t^2 + N\eta_t^2(1 - E\mu\eta_t + E^2\mu^2\eta_t^2) + (\frac{6}{C} + 6\alpha)E^2L^2\eta_t^2, \quad (27e)$$

$$\leq 1 - E\mu\eta_t + E^2\mu^2\eta_t^2 + N\eta_t^2 + (\frac{6}{C} + 6\alpha)E^2L^2\eta_t^2, \quad (27f)$$

$$\leq 1 - \frac{E\mu\eta_t}{2}, \quad (27g)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{2}{t}, \quad (27h)$$

where (27c) follows from the fact that $3(1 - \mu\eta_t)^{E-2} \leq 1$ when E is large, (27f) is due to the fact that $(1 - E\mu\eta_t + E^2\mu^2\eta_t^2) \leq 1$, (27g) is due to the facts that $E^2\eta_t^2((\frac{6}{C} + 6\alpha)L^2 + \mu^2) \leq \frac{E\mu\eta_t}{4}$ and $N\eta_t^2 \leq \frac{E\mu\eta_t}{4}$, and (27h) follows from the fact that $\eta_t = \frac{4}{E\mu t}$.

From (27g) and (12), we obtain

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{t+1} - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] \leq \left(1 - \frac{2}{t}\right) \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_t - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + m_{2,t}. \quad (28)$$

Now, we show the inequality in (13) by the induction method. When $t = t_0$, it is straightforward to see that the result in (13) holds. Assume that (13) holds up to $t = s > t_0$, i.e., $\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_s - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] \leq \frac{t_0}{s} \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{t_0} - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + sM_0 + \frac{M_1}{E^2\mu^2s} + \frac{M_2}{E^4\mu^4s^2}$. Applying (28) for $t = s + 1$ leads to

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{s+1} - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] \leq \left(1 - \frac{2}{s}\right) \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_s - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + m_{2,s}, \quad (29a)$$

$$\leq \left(1 - \frac{2}{s}\right) \left(\frac{t_0}{s} \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{t_0} - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + sM_0 + \frac{M_1}{E^2\mu^2s} + \frac{M_2}{E^4\mu^4s^2} \right) + m_{2,s}, \quad (29b)$$

$$\leq \frac{t_0}{s+1} \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{w}_{t_0} - \mathbf{w}^*\|^2] + (s+1)M_0 + \frac{M_1}{E^2\mu^2(s+1)} + \frac{M_2}{E^4\mu^4(s+1)^2}, \quad (29c)$$

where (29a) is due to (28), (29b) follows from the induction hypothesis, and (29c) follows from the facts that $(1 - \frac{2}{s})\frac{1}{s} = \frac{s-2}{s(s+1)} \leq \frac{1}{s+1}$ and $(1 - \frac{2}{s}) \left(sM_0 + \frac{M_1}{E^2\mu^2s} + \frac{M_2}{E^4\mu^4s^2} \right) + m_{2,s} \leq (s+1)M_0 + \frac{M_1}{E^2\mu^2(s+1)} + \frac{M_2}{E^4\mu^4(s+1)^2}$. This implies that the result in (13) also holds for $t = s + 1$, which completes the proof.

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