

VIII. APPENDIX

A. Useful Lemmas

The following results are used in the proofs.

Lemma 3: [27] Let $\{u_k\}$, $\{v_k\}$, $\{w_k\}$ and $\{z_k\}$ be the nonnegative sequences of random variables. If they satisfy

$$\mathbb{E}[u_{k+1}] \leq (1 + z_k)u_k - v_k + w_k, \\ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z_k < \infty \text{ a.s., and } \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w_k < \infty \text{ a.s.,}$$

then u_k converges almost surely (a.s.), and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v_k < \infty$ a.s..

Lemma 4: [27] Let $\{u_k\}$ be a non-negative sequence satisfying the following relationship for all $k \geq 0$:

$$u_{k+1} \leq (1 + \gamma_k)u_k + v_k, \quad (16)$$

where sequence $\gamma_k \geq 0$ and $v_k \geq 0$ satisfy $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma_k < \infty$ and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v_k < \infty$, respectively. Then the sequence $\{u_k\}$ will converge to a finite value $u > 0$.

Lemma 5: [28] Let $\{u_k\}$ be a non-negative sequence satisfying the following relationship for all $k \geq 0$:

$$u_{k+1} \leq (1 - \gamma_{1,k})u_k + \gamma_{2,k} \quad (17)$$

where $\gamma_{1,k} \geq 0$ and $\gamma_{2,k} \geq 0$ satisfying

$$\frac{a_1}{(a_2k+1)^{b_1}} \leq \gamma_{1,k} \leq 1, \quad \frac{a_3}{(a_2k+1)^{b_2}} \leq \gamma_{2,k} \leq 1,$$

for some $c_1, c_2, c_3 > 0$, $0 \leq b_1 < 1$, and $b_1 < b_2$. Then for all $0 \leq b_0 < b_2 - b_1$, we have $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (k+1)^{b_0} u_k = 0$.

B. Proof of Lemma 1

Denote $\bar{\mathbf{y}} = \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{1}^\top \mathbf{y}$ and $\Theta = I - \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^\top$, then we have $\|\Theta\| \leq 1$ and

$$\|\mathbf{y}_{k+1} - \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}\|^2 = \|\Theta \mathbf{y}_{k+1} + \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{y}}_{k+1} - \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1}\|^2 \\ \leq \|\mathbf{y}_{k+1}\|^2, \quad (18)$$

where the inequality follows from (7). Therefore, we can complete the proof by showing $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \beta_k \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2] < \infty$. Since $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \beta_k^2 < \infty$, there obviously exists k_1 such that $\beta_k < 1/\lambda_2$, $\forall k > k_1$. We know that $\sum_{k=0}^{k_1} \beta_k \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2]$ is always bounded. Therefore, we only need to focus on proving $\sum_{k=k_1+1}^{\infty} \beta_k \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2] < \infty$

Based on (6b), we obtain

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_{k+1}\|^2] \\ = \mathbb{E}[\|A_k \mathbf{y}_k + \mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k\|^2] + \beta_k^2 \mathbb{E}[\|L \mathbf{e}_k\|^2] \\ - \mathbb{E}[\beta_k (A_k \mathbf{y}_k + \mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k)^\top L \mathbf{e}_k] \\ \leq \mathbb{E}[(\|A_k \mathbf{y}_k\| + \|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k\|)^2] + \beta_k^2 \lambda_M^2 N \sigma^2 \\ \leq (1 + \nu_1)(1 - \beta_k \lambda_2)^2 \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2] + (1 + \frac{1}{\nu_1}) C^2 N \alpha_k^2 \beta_k^2 \\ + \lambda_M^2 N \sigma^2 \beta_k^2, \quad (19)$$

where the first inequality holds from $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{e}_k] = 0$ and $\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{e}_k\|^2] \leq N \sigma^2$ in Assumption 6, the last inequality uses $(a+b)^2 \leq (1+\nu_1)a^2 + (1+\frac{1}{\nu_1})b^2$ for any $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\nu_1 > 0$, and λ_2 and λ_M are the second smallest eigenvalue and the

eigenvalue with the largest magnitude of L [29], respectively. By setting $\nu_1 = \beta_k \lambda_2$, we further get

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_{k+1}\|^2] \\ \leq (1 - \beta_k^2 \lambda_2^2)(1 - \beta_k \lambda_2) \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2] + (\alpha_k^2 \beta_k^2 + \frac{\alpha_k^2 \beta_k}{\lambda_2}) C^2 N \\ + \lambda_M^2 N \sigma^2 \beta_k^2 \\ \leq (1 - \beta_k \lambda_2) \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2] + (\alpha_k^2 \beta_k^2 + \frac{\alpha_k^2 \beta_k}{\lambda_2}) C^2 N + \lambda_M^2 N \sigma^2 \beta_k^2 \quad (20)$$

Since $\beta_k \lambda_2 > 0$, we can have the following relationship:

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_{k+1}\|^2] \leq (1 + \beta_k^2) \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2] - \lambda_2 \beta_k \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2] \\ + (\alpha_k^2 \beta_k^2 + \frac{\alpha_k^2 \beta_k}{\lambda_2}) C^2 N + \lambda_M^2 N \sigma^2 \beta_k^2 \quad (21)$$

Since $\sum_{k=k_1+1}^{\infty} \alpha_k^2 \beta_k < \infty$ and $\sum_{k=k_1+1}^{\infty} \beta_k^2 < \infty$, it is guaranteed that $\sum_{k=k_1+1}^{\infty} [(\alpha_k^2 \beta_k^2 + \frac{\alpha_k^2 \beta_k}{\lambda_2}) C^2 N + \lambda_M^2 N \sigma^2 \beta_k^2] < \infty$. Thus, we can conclude that $\sum_{k=k_1+1}^{\infty} \beta_k \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2] < \infty$ from Lemma 3.

C. Proof of Lemma 2

For $\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_k\|^2]$, we can obtain

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_k\|^2] = \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{x}^*\|^2] \\ \leq 2 \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2] + 2 \|\mathbf{x}^*\|^2.$$

Since \mathbf{x}^* is a constant, we will only need to prove the boundedness of $\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2]$.

According to the dynamics in (6a), it can be verified that the following relationship holds:

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2] \\ = \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^* - \alpha_k \beta_k (G(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{y}_k) - G(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}^*))\|^2] \\ = \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2] + \alpha_k^2 \beta_k^2 \mathbb{E}[\|G(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{y}_k) - G(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}^*)\|^2] \\ - 2 \alpha_k \beta_k \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*)^\top (G(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{y}_k) - G(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}^*))] \\ \leq \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2] + 4 C^2 N \alpha_k^2 \beta_k^2 \\ - 2 \alpha_k \beta_k \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*)^\top (G(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{y}_k) - G(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}^*))], \quad (22)$$

where the inequality is followed by Assumption 5. For the last term of (22), we have

$$- 2 \alpha_k \beta_k (\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*)^\top (G(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{y}_k) - G(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}^*)) \\ = - 2 \alpha_k \beta_k (\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*)^\top (G(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{y}_k) - G(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \\ + G(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}) - G(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}^*)) \\ = - 2 \alpha_k \beta_k (\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*)^\top (G(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{y}_k) - G(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}})) \\ - 2 \alpha_k \beta_k (\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*)^\top (\Phi(\mathbf{x}_k) - \Phi(\mathbf{x}^*)) \\ \leq 2 L_g \alpha_k \beta_k \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\| \|\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_k\| - 2 m \alpha_k \beta_k \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2 \quad (23)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{\nu_2} L_g^2 \alpha_k^2 \beta_k \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2 + \nu_2 \beta_k \|\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{1} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_k\|^2,$$

where the first inequality is from Assumptions 2 and 3, and the last inequality uses Yong's inequality. By letting $\nu_2 = 1$,

we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2] \\ & \leq (1 + L_g^2 \alpha_k^2 \beta_k) \mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2] \\ & \quad + 4C^2 N \alpha_k^2 \beta_k^2 + \beta_k \|\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{1}\bar{\mathbf{x}}_k\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

If $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k^2 \beta_k < \infty$ and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \beta_k^2 < \infty$, there is $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k^2 \beta_k^2 < \infty$ and $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \beta_k \mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{1}\bar{\mathbf{x}}_k\|^2] < \infty$. Thus, based on Lemma 4, $\mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{x}_k\|^2]$ will converge to a finite value.

D. Proof of Corollary 1

If ω_1 and ω_2 satisfy the conditions in Corollary 1, then α_k and β_k will satisfy the conditions in Theorem 1 to ensure that $\mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2]$ converges to zero. According to (20), we have the following relationship when k is large enough:

$$\mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{y}_{k+1}\|^2] \leq (1 - \beta_k \lambda_2) \mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2] + \eta_k,$$

where $\eta_k = \frac{c_4}{(c_2 k + 1)^{\omega_3}}$ for some $c_4 > 0$ and $\omega_3 = \min\{2\omega_1 + \omega_2, 2\omega_2\}$. Therefore, we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (k+1)^{\omega_4} \mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2] = 0 \quad (25)$$

based on Lemma 5, where $0 \leq \omega_4 < \omega_3 - \omega_2$.

Based on (11) and (18), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\sum_{k=0}^T m \alpha_k \beta_k \mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2]}{\sum_{k=0}^T \alpha_k \beta_k} \\ & \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2 - \mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{x}_{T+1} - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2]}{\sum_{k=0}^T \alpha_k \beta_k} + \frac{4C^2 N \sum_{k=0}^T \alpha_k^2 \beta_k^2}{\sum_{k=0}^T \alpha_k \beta_k} \\ & \quad + \frac{\frac{\bar{L}^2}{m} \sum_{k=0}^T \alpha_k \beta_k \mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2]}{\sum_{k=0}^T \alpha_k \beta_k}. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

Equation (25) indicates that $\mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{y}_k\|^2]$ is in the same order of α_k^2 or β_k , and thus, the third term of (27) converges to zero with a rate $O\left(\frac{1}{(T+1)^\omega}\right)$, where $\omega = \min\{2\omega_1, \omega_2\}$. Moreover, the second term of (27) converges to zero with a rate $O\left(\frac{1}{(T+1)^{\omega_1 + \omega_2}}\right)$. Since $\omega_1 + \omega_2 > \omega$, (26) will decay with a rate ω .

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