

Supplementary Material

This supplementary material contains the proofs and results omitted from the main body. In Appendix A we recall the appropriate version of the Stokes' theorem and discuss its applicability for Lipschitz functions on B_1^d . In Appendix B we provide the proof of Lemma 3. Finally, in Appendix C we provide the proofs of Theorems 1, 2, 3, 4.

Additional notation For two functions $g, \eta : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we denote by $\eta \star g$ their convolution defined point-wise for $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ as

$$(\eta \star g)(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \eta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')g(\mathbf{x}') \, d\mathbf{x}' .$$

The standard mollifier $\eta_\epsilon : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined as $\eta_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) = \epsilon^{-d}\eta_1(\mathbf{x}/\epsilon)$ for $\epsilon > 0$ and $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$, where $\eta_1 : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined as

$$\eta_1(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} C \exp\left(\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 - 1}\right) & \text{if } \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} ,$$

with C chosen so that $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \eta_1(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} = 1$.

A Integration by parts

We first recall the following result that can be found in [34, Section 13.3.5, Exercise 14a].

Theorem 5 (Integration by parts in a multiple integral). *Let D be an open connected subset of \mathbb{R}^d with a piecewise smooth boundary ∂D oriented by the outward unit normal $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, \dots, n_d)^\top$. Let g be a continuously differentiable function in $D \cup \partial D$. Then*

$$\int_D \nabla g(\mathbf{u}) \, d\mathbf{u} = \int_{\partial D} g(\boldsymbol{\zeta})\mathbf{n}(\boldsymbol{\zeta}) \, dS(\boldsymbol{\zeta}) .$$

Remark 2. We refer to [34, Section 12.3.2, Definitions 4 and 5] for the definition of piecewise smooth surfaces and their orientations respectively.

The idea of using the instance of Theorem 5 (also called Stokes' theorem) with $D = B_2^d$ to obtain ℓ_2 -randomized estimators of the gradient belongs to Nemirovsky and Yudin [22]. It was further used in several papers [5, 16, 31, 33] to mention just a few. Those papers were referring to [22] but [22] did not provide an exact statement of the result (nor a reference) and only tossed the idea in a discussion. However, the classical analysis formulation as presented in Theorem 5 does not apply to Lipschitz continuous functions that were considered in [5, 16, 31, 33]. We are not aware of whether its extension to Lipschitz continuous functions, though rather standard, is proved in the literature.

In this paper, we apply Theorem 5 with the ℓ_1 -ball $D = B_1^d$. Our aim in this section is to provide a variant of Theorem 5 applicable to a Lipschitz continuous function $g : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, which is not necessarily continuously differentiable on $D \cup \partial D = B_1^d \cup \partial B_1^d$. To this end, we will go through the argument of approximating g by $C^\infty(\Omega)$ functions, where $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ is an open bounded connected subset of \mathbb{R}^d such that $D \cup \partial D \subset \Omega$. Let $g_n = \eta_{1/n} \star g$, where $\eta_{1/n}$ is the standard mollifier. Let $g : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function satisfying the Lipschitz condition w.r.t. the ℓ_1 -norm: $|g(\mathbf{u}) - g(\mathbf{u}')| \leq L\|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}'\|_1$. Since g is continuous in Ω and, by construction $D \cup \partial D \subset \Omega$, then using basic properties of mollification [see e.g., 15, Theorem 4.1 (ii)] we have

$$g_n \longrightarrow g$$

uniformly on $D \cup \partial D$ (in particular, uniformly on ∂D). Furthermore, let ∇g be the gradient of g , which by Rademacher theorem [see e.g., 15, Theorem 3.2] is well defined almost everywhere w.r.t. the Lebesgue measure and

$$\|\nabla g(\mathbf{u})\|_\infty \leq L \quad \text{a.e.}$$

It follows that $\frac{\partial g}{\partial u_j}$ is absolutely integrable on Ω for any $j \in [d]$. Furthermore, since

$$\frac{\partial g_n}{\partial u_j} = \eta_{1/n} \star \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial u_j} \right) ,$$

we can apply [15, Theorem 4.1 (iii)] that yields

$$\int_D \|\nabla g_n(\mathbf{u}) - \nabla g(\mathbf{u})\|_2 \, d\mathbf{u} \longrightarrow 0 .$$

Combining the above remarks we obtain that the result of Theorem 5 is valid for functions g that are Lipschitz continuous w.r.t. the ℓ_1 -norm. Thus, it is also valid when the Lipschitz condition is imposed w.r.t. any ℓ_q -norm with $q \in [1, \infty]$. Specifying this conclusion for the particular case $D = B_1^d$, we obtain the following theorem.

Theorem 6. *Let the function $g : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be Lipschitz continuous w.r.t. the ℓ_q -norm with $q \in [1, \infty]$. Then*

$$\int_{B_1^d} \nabla g(\mathbf{u}) \, d\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \int_{\partial B_1^d} g(\zeta) \operatorname{sign}(\zeta) \, dS(\zeta) ,$$

where $\nabla g(\cdot)$ is defined up to a set of zero Lebesgue measure by the Rademacher theorem.

B Proof of Lemma 3

To prove Lemma 3, we first recall the weighted Poincaré inequality for the univariate exponential measure (mean 0 and scale parameter 1 Laplace distribution).

Lemma 5 (Lemma 2.1 in [9]). *Let W be mean 0 and scale parameter 1 Laplace random variable. Let $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous almost everywhere differentiable function such that*

$$\mathbf{E}[|g(W)|] < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{E}[|g'(W)|] < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{|w| \rightarrow \infty} g(w) \exp(-|w|) = 0 ,$$

then,

$$\mathbf{E}[(g(W) - \mathbf{E}[g(W)])^2] \leq 4\mathbf{E}[(g'(W))^2].$$

We are now in a position to prove Lemma 3. The proof is inspired by [7, Lemma 2].

Proof of Lemma 3. Throughout the proof, we assume without loss of generality that $\mathbf{E}[G(\zeta)] = 0$. Indeed, if it is not the case, we use the result for the centered function $\tilde{G}(\zeta) = G(\zeta) - \mathbf{E}[G(\zeta)]$, which has the same gradient.

First, consider the case of continuously differentiable G . Let $\mathbf{W} = (W_1, \dots, W_d)$ be a vector of i.i.d. mean 0 and scale parameter 1 Laplace random variables and define $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{w} / \|\mathbf{w}\|_1$. Introduce the notation

$$F(\mathbf{w}) \triangleq \|\mathbf{w}\|_1^{1/2} G(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{w})) .$$

Lemma 1 in [30] asserts that, for ζ uniformly distributed on ∂B_1^d ,

$$\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W}) \stackrel{d}{=} \zeta \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W}) \text{ is independent of } \|\mathbf{W}\|_1 . \quad (4)$$

In particular,

$$\operatorname{Var}(F(\mathbf{W})) = d \operatorname{Var}(G(\zeta)) .$$

Using the Efron-Stein inequality [see e.g., 11, Theorem 3.1] we obtain

$$\operatorname{Var}(F(\mathbf{W})) \leq \sum_{i=1}^d \mathbf{E}[\operatorname{Var}_i(F)] ,$$

where

$$\operatorname{Var}_i(F) = \mathbf{E} \left[\left(F(\mathbf{W}) - \mathbf{E}[F(\mathbf{W}) \mid \mathbf{W}^{-i}] \right)^2 \mid \mathbf{W}^{-i} \right]$$

with $\mathbf{W}^{-i} \triangleq (W_1, \dots, W_{i-1}, W_{i+1}, \dots, W_d)$. Note that on the event $\{\mathbf{W}^{-i} \neq \mathbf{0}\}$ (whose complement has zero measure), the function

$$w \mapsto F(W_1, \dots, W_{i-1}, w, W_{i+1}, \dots, W_d) ,$$

satisfies the assumptions of Lemma 5. Thus,

$$d \operatorname{Var}(G(\zeta)) = \operatorname{Var}(F(\mathbf{W})) \leq 4 \sum_{j=1}^d \mathbf{E} \left[\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial w_j}(\mathbf{W}) \right)^2 \right] = 4 \mathbf{E} \|\nabla F(\mathbf{W})\|_2^2 . \quad (5)$$

In order to compute $\nabla F(\mathbf{W})$, we observe that for every $i \neq j \in [d]$ we have for all $\mathbf{w} \neq \mathbf{0}$ such that $w_i, w_j \neq 0$

$$\frac{\partial T_i}{\partial w_j}(\mathbf{w}) = -\frac{w_i \operatorname{sign}(w_j)}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_1^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial T_i}{\partial w_i}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_1} - \frac{w_i \operatorname{sign}(w_i)}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_1^2} .$$

Thus, the Jacobi matrix of $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{w})$ has the form

$$\mathbf{J}_{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\mathbf{I}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_1} - \frac{\mathbf{w}(\operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{w}))^\top}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_1^2} = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_1} \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{w})(\operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{w}))^\top \right) .$$

It follows that almost surely

$$\nabla F(\mathbf{W}) = \frac{1}{2\|\mathbf{W}\|_1^{1/2}} G(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})) \operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{W}) + \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{W}\|_1^{1/2}} \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})(\operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{W}))^\top \right) \nabla G(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})) .$$

Observe that since $\langle \operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{W}), \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W}) \rangle = 1$ almost surely, we have

$$\left(\operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{W}) \right)^\top \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})(\operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{W}))^\top \right) \nabla G(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})) = 0 \quad \text{almost surely} .$$

The above two equations imply that almost surely

$$\begin{aligned} 4\|\nabla F(\mathbf{W})\|_2^2 &= \frac{d}{\|\mathbf{W}\|_1} G^2(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})) + \frac{4}{\|\mathbf{W}\|_1} \left\| \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})(\operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{W}))^\top \right) \nabla G(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})) \right\|_2^2 \\ &\leq \frac{d}{\|\mathbf{W}\|_1} G^2(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})) + \frac{4}{\|\mathbf{W}\|_1} \|\nabla G(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W}))\|_2^2 (1 + \sqrt{d} \|\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})\|_2)^2 , \end{aligned}$$

where we used the fact that the operator norm of $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{b}^\top$ is not greater than $1 + \|\mathbf{a}\|_2 \|\mathbf{b}\|_2$. Combining the above bound with (5), and using the facts that $\mathbf{E}[\|\mathbf{W}\|_1^{-1}] = \frac{1}{d-1}$, $\mathbf{E}[G(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W}))] = \mathbf{E}[G(\zeta)] = 0$ and the independence of $\|\mathbf{W}\|_1$ and $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})$ (cf. (4)) yields

$$d \left(1 - \frac{1}{d-1} \right) \operatorname{Var}(G(\zeta)) \leq \frac{4}{d-1} \mathbf{E} \left[\|\nabla G(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W}))\|_2^2 (1 + \sqrt{d} \|\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})\|_2)^2 \right] .$$

Rearranging, we deduce the first claim of the lemma since $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W}) \stackrel{d}{=} \zeta$.

To prove the second statement of the lemma regarding Lipschitz functions, it is sufficient to apply the first one to G_n —the sequence of smoothed versions of G such that $G_n \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ and

$$G_n \rightarrow G ,$$

uniformly on every compact subset, and $\sup_{n \geq 1} \|\nabla G_n(\mathbf{x})\|_2 \leq L$ for almost all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$. A sequence G_n satisfying these properties can be constructed by standard mollification due to the fact that G is Lipschitz continuous [see e.g., 15, Theorem 4.2]. Finally, to obtain the value $\mathbf{E}\|\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{W})\|_2^2 = \mathbf{E}\|\zeta\|_2^2$ we use Lemma 6 below. \square

Lemma 6. *Let ζ be distributed uniformly on ∂B_1^d . Then, $\mathbf{E}\|\zeta\|_2^2 = \frac{2}{d+1}$.*

Proof. We use the same tools as in the proof of Lemma 2. Let $\mathbf{W} = (W_1, \dots, W_d)$ be a vector of i.i.d. random variables following the Laplace distribution with mean 0 and scale parameter 1. By (4) we have that $\zeta \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{\mathbf{W}}{\|\mathbf{W}\|_1}$ and ζ is independent of $\|\mathbf{W}\|_1$. Therefore,

$$\mathbf{E}\|\zeta\|_2^2 = \frac{\mathbf{E}\|\mathbf{W}\|_2^2}{\mathbf{E}\|\mathbf{W}\|_1^2} . \quad (6)$$

Here,

$$\mathbf{E} \|\mathbf{W}\|_2^2 = \sum_{j=1}^d \mathbf{E}[W_j^2] = d\mathbf{E}[W_1^2] = 2d . \quad (7)$$

Furthermore, $\|\mathbf{W}\|_1$ follows the Erlang distribution with parameters $(d, 1)$, which implies

$$\mathbf{E} \|\mathbf{W}\|_1^2 = \frac{1}{\Gamma(d)} \int_0^\infty x^{d+1} \exp(-x) dx = \frac{\Gamma(d+2)}{\Gamma(d)} . \quad (8)$$

The lemma follows by combining (6) – (8). \square

C Upper bounds

The proofs of Theorems 1, 2, 3, 4 resemble each other. They only differ in the ways of handling the variance terms depending on $\|\mathbf{g}_t\|_{p^*}^2$ and in the choice of parameters. For this reason, we suggest the interested reader to follow the proofs in a linear manner starting from the next paragraph.

Common part of the proofs of Theorems 1, 2. We start with the part of the proofs that is common for Theorems 1, 2. Fix some $\mathbf{x} \in \Theta$. Due to Assumption 1, we can use Lemma 1, which implies

$$\mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T \langle \mathbf{E}[\mathbf{g}_t | \mathbf{x}_t], \mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x} \rangle \right] = \mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T \langle \nabla f_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}_t), \mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x} \rangle \right] \geq \mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_{t,h}(\mathbf{x})) \right],$$

where $f_{t,h}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{E}[f_t(\mathbf{x} + h\mathbf{U})]$ with \mathbf{U} uniformly distributed on B_1^d . Furthermore, by the approximation property derived in Lemma 1 and the standard bound on the cumulative regret of dual averaging algorithm [see e.g., 26, Corollary 7.9.] we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] &\leq \mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T \langle \mathbf{E}[\mathbf{g}_t | \mathbf{x}_t], \mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x} \rangle \right] + Lb_q(d) \sum_{t=1}^T h_t \\ &\leq \frac{R^2}{\eta} + \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{E} \|\mathbf{g}_t\|_{p^*}^2 + Lb_q(d) \sum_{t=1}^T h_t , \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where in the last inequality we used the identity $\eta_1 = \dots = \eta_T = \eta$. The results of Theorems 1, 2 follow from the bound (9) as detailed below.

Proof of Theorem 1. Here $h_1 = \dots = h_T = h$, and we work under Assumption 2. In this case, bounding $\mathbf{E}\|\mathbf{g}_t\|_{p^*}$ in (9) via Lemma 4 yields

$$\mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] \leq \frac{R^2}{\eta} + 6(1 + \sqrt{2})^2 L^2 \cdot \eta T d^{1 + \frac{2}{q\lambda^2} - \frac{2}{p}} + LhTb_q(d) .$$

Minimizing the the right hand side of the above inequality over $\eta > 0$ and substituting $\eta = \frac{R}{L(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{12})} \sqrt{\frac{d^{-1 - \frac{2}{q\lambda^2} + \frac{2}{p}}}{T}}$ we deduce that

$$\mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] \leq 2 \left(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{12} \right) RL d^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{q\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{p}} \sqrt{T} + LhTb_q(d) .$$

Taking $h \leq \frac{7R}{100b_q(d)\sqrt{T}} d^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{q\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{p}}$ makes negligible the second summand in the above bound. This concludes the proof. \square

Proof of Theorem 2. Here again $h_1 = \dots = h_T = h$, but we work under Assumption 3. Then, bounding $\mathbf{E}\|\mathbf{g}_t\|_{p^*}$ in (9) via Lemma 4 yields

$$\mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] \leq \frac{R^2}{\eta} + \eta T \left(\frac{d^{4 - \frac{2}{p}} \sigma^2}{h^2} + 6 \left(1 + \sqrt{2} \right)^2 L^2 d^{1 + \frac{2}{q\lambda^2} - \frac{2}{p}} \right) + LhTb_q(d) .$$

Minimizing the right hand side of the above inequality over $\eta > 0$ and substituting the optimal value

$$\eta = \frac{R}{\sqrt{T}} \left(\frac{d^{4-\frac{2}{p}} \sigma^2}{2h^2} + 6 \left(1 + \sqrt{2}\right)^2 L^2 d^{1+\frac{2}{q\lambda^2}-\frac{2}{p}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}},$$

results in the following upper bound on the regret

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] &\leq 2R\sqrt{T} \left(\frac{d^{4-\frac{2}{p}} \sigma^2}{2h^2} + 6 \left(1 + \sqrt{2}\right)^2 L^2 d^{1+\frac{2}{q\lambda^2}-\frac{2}{p}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + LhTb_q(d) \\ &\leq 2 \left(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{12} \right) RL \sqrt{T d^{1+\frac{2}{q\lambda^2}-\frac{2}{p}}} + \sqrt{2} R \sqrt{T} \frac{d^{2-\frac{1}{p}} \sigma}{h} + LhTb_q(d), \end{aligned}$$

where for the last inequality we used the fact that $\sqrt{a+b} \leq \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$ for $a, b \geq 0$. Minimizing over $h > 0$ the last expression and substituting the optimal value $h = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}R\sigma}{Lb_q(d)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} T^{-\frac{1}{4}} d^{1-\frac{1}{2p}}$ we get

$$\mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] \leq 11.9RL \sqrt{T d^{1+\frac{2}{q\lambda^2}-\frac{2}{p}}} + 2.4\sqrt{RL\sigma} T^{\frac{3}{4}} \sqrt{b_q(d)} d^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2p}}. \quad \square$$

Common part of the proofs of Theorems 3, 4. Here, we state the common parts of the proofs for Theorems 3, 4. Similar to the first inequality in (9), we have

$$\mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] \leq \mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T \langle \mathbf{g}_t, \mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{x} \rangle \right] + Lb_q(d) \sum_{t=1}^T h_t.$$

Note that without loss of generality, we can assume that $\sum_{k=1}^t \|\mathbf{g}_k\|_{p^*}^2 \neq 0$, for all $t \geq 1$. This is a consequence of the fact that if $\sum_{k=1}^t \|\mathbf{g}_k\|_{p^*}^2 = 0$, then the first term on the r.h.s. of the above inequality will be zero up to round t . Thus, we can erase these iterates from the cumulative regret, only paying the bias term for those rounds. In what follows we essentially use [27, Corollary 1], which we re-derive for the sake of clarity. Assume that $\eta_t = \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{t-1} \|\mathbf{g}_k\|_{p^*}^2}}$ for $t \in \{2, \dots, T\}$ and $\lambda > 0$. Then, applying [27, Theorem 1] we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] &\leq \left(\frac{R^2}{\lambda} + 2.75 \cdot \lambda \right) \mathbf{E} \left[\sqrt{\sum_{t=1}^T \|\mathbf{g}_t\|_{p^*}^2} \right] \\ &\quad + 3.5D \cdot \mathbf{E}[\max_{t \in [T]} \|\mathbf{g}_t\|_{p^*}] + Lb_q(d) \sum_{t=1}^T h_t, \end{aligned}$$

where we introduced $D = \sup_{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w} \in \Theta} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}\|_p$. By [27, Proposition 1], we have $D \leq \sqrt{8}R$. Moreover, by Jensen's inequality, using the rough bound $\mathbf{E}[\max_{t \in [T]} \|\mathbf{g}_t\|_{p^*}] \leq \sqrt{\sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{E}[\|\mathbf{g}_t\|_{p^*}^2]}$, and substituting $\lambda = \frac{R}{\sqrt{2.75}}$, we deduce that

$$\mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] \leq \left(2\sqrt{2.75} + 3.5\sqrt{8} \right) R \sqrt{\sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{E}[\|\mathbf{g}_t\|_{p^*}^2]} + Lb_q(d) \sum_{t=1}^T h_t. \quad (10)$$

Proofs of Theorems 3, 4 provided below follow from the above inequality by properly selecting $h_t > 0$.

Proof of Theorem 3. The bound of Lemma 4 under Assumption 2 applied to (10) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] &\leq 2 \left(2\sqrt{2.75} + 3.5\sqrt{8} \right) \left(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6} \right) RL \sqrt{T d^{1+\frac{2}{q\lambda^2}-\frac{2}{p}}} + Lb_q(d) \sum_{t=1}^T h_t \\ &\leq 110.53 \cdot RL \sqrt{T d^{1+\frac{2}{q\lambda^2}-\frac{2}{p}}} + Lb_q(d) \sum_{t=1}^T h_t. \end{aligned}$$

Taking $h_t \leq \frac{7R}{200b_q(d)\sqrt{t}} d^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{q\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{p}}$ makes negligible the last summand in the above bound. This concludes the proof. \square

Proof of Theorem 4. Using (10), the bound of Lemma 4 under Assumption 3 and the fact that $\sqrt{a+b} \leq \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$ for $a, b \geq 0$, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] &\leq \left(2\sqrt{2.75} + 3.5\sqrt{8} \right) R \left(\sum_{t=1}^T \frac{d^{4-\frac{2}{p}} \sigma^2}{h_t^2} + 12(1 + \sqrt{2})^2 L^2 T \cdot d^{1+\frac{2}{q\lambda^2} - \frac{2}{p}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad + Lb_q(d) \sum_{t=1}^T h_t \\ &\leq 110.6 \cdot RL \sqrt{T d^{1+\frac{2}{q\lambda^2} - \frac{2}{p}}} + 13.3R \cdot d^{2-\frac{1}{p}} \sigma \left(\sum_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{h_t^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad + Lb_q(d) \sum_{t=1}^T h_t . \end{aligned}$$

Since $h_t = \left(6.65\sqrt{6} \cdot \frac{R}{b_q(d)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} t^{-\frac{1}{4}} d^{1-\frac{1}{2p}}$ and $\sum_{t=1}^T t^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \frac{2}{3} T^{\frac{3}{2}}$ and $\sum_{t=1}^T t^{-\frac{1}{4}} \leq \frac{4}{3} T^{\frac{3}{4}}$, we get

$$\mathbf{E} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T (f_t(\mathbf{x}_t) - f_t(\mathbf{x})) \right] \leq 110.6 \cdot RL \sqrt{T d^{1+\frac{2}{q\lambda^2} - \frac{2}{p}}} + 5.9 \cdot \sqrt{R} (\sigma + L) T^{\frac{3}{4}} \sqrt{b_q(d)} d^{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2p}} . \square$$

D Definition of ℓ_2 -randomized estimator

In this section we recall the algorithm of Shamir [33]. Let $\zeta^\circ \in \mathbb{R}^d$ be distributed uniformly on ∂B_2^d . Instead of the gradient estimator that we introduce in Algorithm 1, at a each step $t \geq 1$, Shamir [33] uses

$$\mathbf{g}_t^\circ \triangleq \frac{d}{2h} (y'_t - y''_t) \zeta_t^\circ ,$$

where $y'_t = f_t(\mathbf{x}_t + h_t \zeta_t^\circ)$, $y''_t = f_t(\mathbf{x}_t - h_t \zeta_t^\circ)$, and ζ_t° 's are independent random variables with the same distribution as ζ° .