

# Distributed Algorithms for Aggregative Games on Graphs

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  - Aggregative Game
  - Aggregative Game on Network
- 2 Distributed synchronous algorithm
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# An Aggregative Game

We have a system with  $N$  agents, where each agent  $i$  solves the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && f_i(x_i, \mathbf{s}(x)), && \mathbf{s}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \\ & \text{subject to} && x_i \in K_i \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n. && \text{(AggGame)} \end{aligned}$$

- $f_i(\cdot, \cdot)$  and  $K_i$  are **known only** to agent  $i$
- Agent  $i$  decides on  $x_i$ , and does not have access to the decisions  $x_j$  of the other agents
- Unlike [Jensen06, MartimortStole2010], the emphasis here is on computation of an equilibrium in the absence of instantaneous access to the aggregate value  $\bar{x}$
- This can be achieved when the agents are able to communicate locally over a connected network

# Motivating Example

## Example (Networked Nash-Cournot Oligopoly)

- $N$  firms competing at  $M$  locations
- Optimization problem for firm  $i$

$$\text{minimize} \quad \sum_{\ell=1}^M (c_{i\ell}(x_{i\ell}) - p_{\ell}(\bar{s}_{\ell})s_{i\ell}) + t_i(x_{i1}, \dots, x_{iM})$$

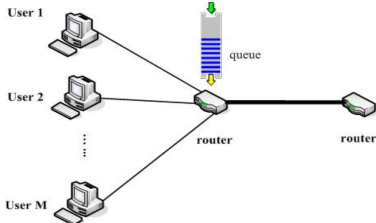
$$\text{subject to} \quad \sum_{\ell=1}^M x_{i\ell} = \sum_{\ell=1}^M s_{i\ell},$$

$$x_{i\ell}, s_{i\ell} \geq 0, \quad x_{i\ell} \leq \text{cap}_{i\ell}, \quad \ell = 1, \dots, M.$$

- $x_{i\ell}$  and  $s_{i\ell}$  are production and sales for firm  $i$  at location  $\ell$
- $p_{\ell}$  denotes the price function and  $\bar{s}_{\ell} = \sum_{j=1}^N s_{j\ell}$
- $p_{\ell}(\bar{s}_{\ell})s_{i\ell}$  is the revenue at location  $\ell$  for firm  $i$
- $t_i$  is the transportation cost

# Flow control games

- Multitude of applications on the internet
- A large number of users - inherently noncooperative in nature



- Demands for bandwidth lead to congestion
- Solution concept - a Nash equilibrium in flow rates, where each agent maximizes its utility less cost of sending flow
- User  $i$  has utility given by  $U_i(x_i) := \ln(1 + x_i) + d_i$ ,  $x_i \geq 0$ ,
- Cost of sending flow can be modeled by  $P_i(x_i, x_{-i}) := k_i x_i^2 + Mp(C - \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)$

**Nash Equilibrium in flow decisions**  $x^* = (x_1^*, \dots, x_N^*)$

- Users maximize the benefit of sending flow by solving

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Player } i & \text{maximize } U_i(x_i) - P_i(x_i; x_{-i}) \\ & \text{subject to } x_i \geq 0, \end{array}$$

- Nash equilibrium in flow generation levels:  $(x_1^*, \dots, x_N^*)$

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# The central theme

## Goal :

- Develop distributed algorithms that can aid agents to **learn** the aggregate and lead to an equilibrium point
- And still satisfy the **informational constraints**

## How?

- By allowing agents to communicate their **beliefs** of the **aggregate**:  $(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)$
- But not their **decisions**:  $(x_i)$
- This is in sharp contrast with "distributed optimization" setting (since here agents are competing)

# Assumptions for a Unique Equilibrium

## Basic Assumption 1

For each  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,

- The set  $K_i \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is compact and convex
  - Function  $f_i(x_i, y)$  is continuously differentiable in  $(x_i, y)$  over some open set containing the set  $K_i \times \bar{K}$ , where  $\bar{K} = \sum_{i=1}^N K_i$
  - The function  $x_i \mapsto f_i(x_i, s(x))$ ,  $s(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j$ , is convex over the set  $K_i$ .
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- These assumptions are sufficient for the existence of an equilibrium.

## Additional Assumption: Uniqueness

- Define mapping  $\Phi(x)$  by

$$\Phi(x) \triangleq \begin{pmatrix} F_1(x_1, s(x)) \\ \vdots \\ F_N(x_N, s(x)) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$F_i(x_i, s(x)) = \nabla_{x_i} f_i(x_i, s(x)), \quad s(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j$$

### Basic Assumption 2 [Strict Monotonicity]

The mapping  $\Phi(x)$  is **strictly monotone** over  $K_1 \times \dots \times K_N$ , i.e.,

$$(\Phi(x) - \Phi(x'))^T (x - x') > 0, \quad \forall x, x' \in K_1 \times \dots \times K_N.$$

# Equilibrium conditions

## Unique Equilibrium

Consider the aggregative Nash game defined in (AggGame).  
Suppose **Basic Assumptions** hold. Then, the game admits a **unique** Nash equilibrium.

## Further Assumptions

### Basic Assumption 3 [Computational]

The mapping  $F_i(x_i, u)$  is **uniformly Lipschitz continuous in  $u$**  over  $\bar{K} = K_1 + \dots + K_N$ , for every fixed  $x_i \in K_i$  i.e., for some  $L_{-i} > 0$

$$\|F_i(x_i, u) - F_i(x_i, z)\| \leq L_{-i} \|u - z\|.$$

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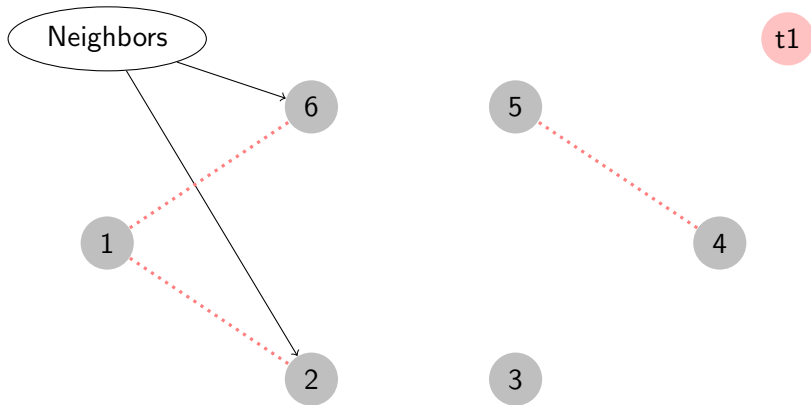
## Synchronous setting

- A **time varying** undirected connectivity **graph**  $\mathcal{G}_k = (\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{E}_k)$
- $\mathcal{N} = \{1, \dots, N\}$  be a set of  $N$  agents
- $\mathcal{E}_k$  is the set of **edges** at time  $k$
- $\mathcal{N}_i(k)$  : **immediate neighbors** of agent  $i$  at time  $k$

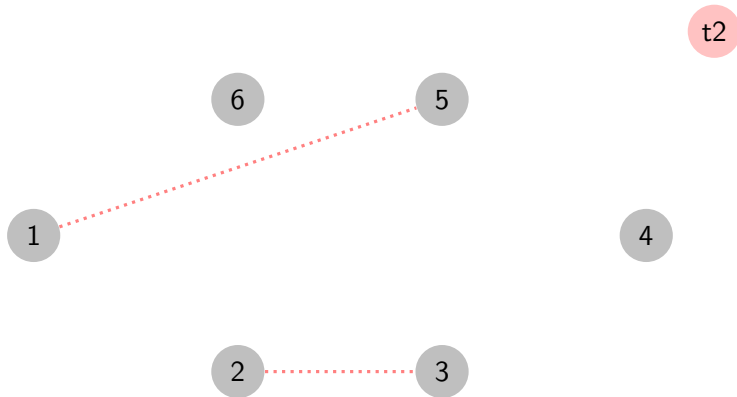
### Connectivity Assumption

There exists an integer  $Q \geq 1$  such that the graph  $\bigcup_{l=1}^Q \mathcal{G}_{l+k}$  is **connected** for all  $k$ .

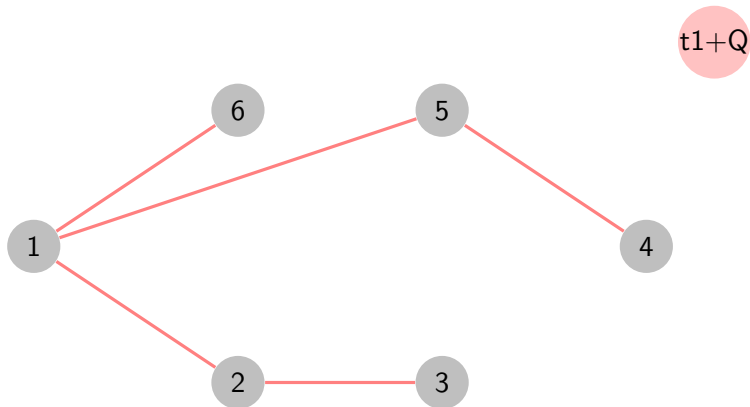
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## Variational Inequality Formulation

We want to determine the point  $x^* = (x_1^*, \dots, x_N^*) \in K$  such that

$$\langle \Phi(x^*), x - x^* \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in K,$$

where

$$\Phi(x) \triangleq \begin{pmatrix} F_1(x_1, s(x)) \\ \vdots \\ F_N(x_N, s(x)) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$F_i(x_i, s(x)) = \nabla_{x_i} f_i(x_i, s(x)), \quad s(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j$$

We use a suitable analog of

$$x_i^{k+1} = \Pi_{K_i} [x_i^k - \alpha \nabla_{x_i} f_i(x_i^k, s(x^k))]$$

where we distribute learning of  $s(x^k)$  in the network

# Outline of the synchronous algorithm: the three steps

## 1 Learn aggregate:<sup>2</sup>

- Each player maintains and updates an estimate  $v_i^k$  of  $s(x^k) = \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^k$  (tricky since  $x_j^k$ 's are players' private variables & are changing in time)
- Every player communicates its estimate  $v_i^k$  to the neighbors

## 2 Update decision:

- Using aligned estimate agents update their decision ( $x_i^k$ )

## 3 Update estimate of aggregate:

- Agents update their estimate to reflect their current decision.

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<sup>2</sup>Inspiration: Consensus based algorithm [?, ?], Distributed optimization problem [?, ?]

# Synchronous algorithm

## 1 Learn aggregate:

$$\hat{v}_i^k = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_i(k)} w_{ij}(k) v_j^k, \quad v_i^0 = x_i^0,$$

$w_{ij}(k)$  : agent  $i$ 's weight to agent  $j$ 's information at step  $k$

## 2 Update decision:

$$x_i^{k+1} = \Pi_{K_i} [x_i^k - \alpha_k F_i(x_i^k, N\hat{v}_i^k)].$$

where agent  $i$  uses its estimate  $N\hat{v}_i^k$  instead of  $\sum_{j=1}^N x_j^k$

## 3 Update estimate of aggregate:

$$v_i^{k+1} = \hat{v}_i^k + x_i^{k+1} - x_i^k$$

Step suggested by Ram in [Ram-Nedić-Veeravali 2012]

## Weight assumptions

### Synchronous Weight

For all  $i \in \mathcal{N}$  and all  $k \geq 0$ , the following hold:

- (i)  $w_{ij}(k) \geq \delta$  for all  $j \in \mathcal{N}_i(k)$  and  $w_{ij}(k) = 0$  for  $j \notin \mathcal{N}_i(k)$ ;
- (ii)  $\sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij}(k) = 1$  for all  $i$ ;
- (iii)  $\sum_{i=1}^N w_{ij}(k) = 1$  for all  $j$ .



## Stepsize assumptions

### Synchronous Stepsize

The stepsize  $\alpha_k$  is chosen such that the following hold:

- (i) The sequence  $\{\alpha_k\}$  is monotonically non-increasing i.e.,  
 $\alpha_{k+1} \leq \alpha_k$  for all  $k$ ;
- (ii)  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k = \infty$ ;
- (iii)  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k^2 < \infty$ .

## Convergence of synchronous algorithm

### Proposition (Koshal-AN-Shanbhag 2016)

Let *Basic Assumptions* hold. Further let the *Synchronous Weight* and *Synchronous Stepsize* assumption hold. Then, the sequence  $\{x^k\}$  generated by the *Synchronous Algorithm* converges to the (unique) solution  $x^*$  of the game.

# Proof sketch

- 1 Gradient projection algorithm technique ( $\|x^k - x^*\|$ )
  - Utilizing the Lipschitz continuity of the map leads to a bound on  $\|x_i^{k+1} - x_i^*\|$  in terms of  $\|Nv_i^k - \bar{x}^*\|$
- 2 Estimate the errors for the beliefs  $\|Nv_i^k - \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^*\|$ 
  - Introduce  $y^k = \sum_{\ell=1}^N v_\ell^k / N$ , the average estimate under perfect information
  - $y^k$  also tracks the average of the aggregate i.e.,  

$$y^k = \sum_{\ell=1}^N x_\ell^k / N$$
  - Construct bounds for  $\|v_i^k - y^k\|$  and  $\|Ny^k - \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^*\|$

## Moving ahead

Convergence established for synchronous regime but

**Key Drawback:**

- Synchronization is a challenge in large networks
- Requires coordination in terms of stepsize

**Remedy:** Desynchronization

- No explicit dependency
- Allows independent solution of stepsizes
- Drawback: cannot accommodate **time-varying graphs**

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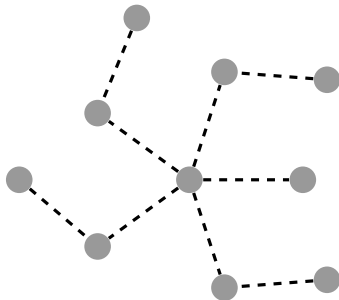


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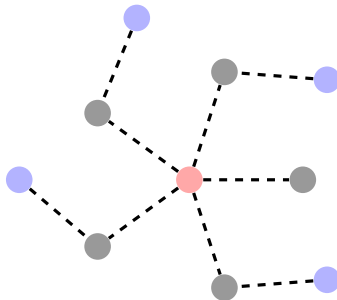


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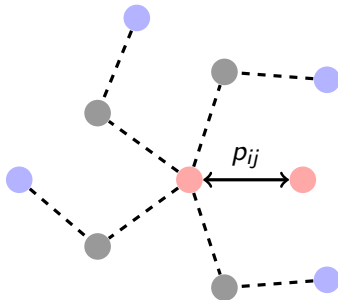


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## Outline of the asynchronous algorithm: the four steps

- 1 Agents have local clocks ticking at rate 1
- 2 Wake Up:
  - Agent  $I^k$  wakes up at time  $k$  and then contacts  $J^k$
- 3 Learn aggregate:
  - Only agents  $\{I^k, J^k\}$  communicate their estimate  $(v_i^k)$  and perform mixing
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# Stepsize Assumptions

## Asynchronous Stepsize

The stepsize  $\alpha_{k,i}$  is updated as follows:

$$\alpha_{k,i} = \frac{1}{\Gamma_k(i)}, \quad \text{where}$$

- $\Gamma_k(i)$  denotes the number of updates that agent  $i$  has executed up to time  $k$  inclusively.

## Convergence of asynchronous algorithm

Proposition (Koshal-AN-Shanbhag 2016)

Let *Basic Assumption*, *Connected Graph* and the *Asynchronous Stepsize* assumption hold. Then, the sequence  $\{x^k\}$  generated by the *Asynchronous Algorithm* converges to the (unique) solution  $x^*$  of the game with probability 1.

## Convergence analysis of asynchronous algorithm

Key property: almost surely we have for all  $k$  large enough

$$\alpha_{k,i} \leq \frac{2}{kp_i}, \quad \left| \alpha_{k,i} - \frac{1}{kp_i} \right| \leq \frac{2}{k^{3/2-q} p_{\min}^2}.$$

where  $p_i$  is the probability that agent  $i$  updates,  $p_{\min} = \min_i p_i$  and  $q \in (0, 1/2)$ .

- 1 The stepsize

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behaves almost surely as  $1/k$  for all agents  $i$  and for all  $k$  large enough

- 2 Stochastic gradient technique ( $\mathbb{E} [\|x^k - x^*\|^2 \mid \mathcal{F}_{k-1}]$ )
- 3 Estimate the expected errors for the beliefs ( $\mathbb{E} [\|Nv_i^k - \bar{x}^*\| \mid \mathcal{F}_{k-1}]$ )

## Constant stepsize asynchronous algorithm

Agents employ a **constant** deterministic yet **uncoordinated** stepsize

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### Basic Assumption 4

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$$\|F_i(x_i, u) - F_i(y_i, u)\| \leq L_i \|x_i - y_i\|;$$

# Error bound: constant stepsize asynchronous algorithm

## Proposition

Let *Basic Assumptions* hold with the mapping  $\Phi$  be **strongly monotone** over the set  $K$ . Further let *Connected Graph* assumption hold. Then, the following holds for the sequence  $\{x^k\}$  generated by the *Asynchronous Algorithm* with stepsize  $\alpha_{k,i} = \alpha_i$

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[\|x^{k+1} - x^*\|^2] \leq \text{Err}(N, n, \mathcal{G}),$$

where  $x^*$  is the unique equilibrium of the game.



## Expression for error

$$Err(N, n, \mathcal{G}) = \frac{4p_{\max}\alpha_{\max}^2 C^2 N + 2p_{\max}\alpha_{\max}^2 B \frac{\sqrt{2nN} C}{1-\sqrt{\lambda}}}{2\mu p_{\min}\alpha_{\min} - 2p_{\max}(\max_j L_j)(\alpha_{\max} - \alpha_{\min})}$$

- where  $\mu$  is the strong monotonicity constant of the gradient map  $\Phi$  and  $C$  is a bound on  $\|\Phi_i(x^k)\|$
- $\alpha_{\max} = \max_{i=1,\dots,N} \{\alpha_i\}$ ,  $\alpha_{\min} = \min_{i=1,\dots,N} \{\alpha_i\}$ ,
- $p_{\max} = \max_{i=1,\dots,N} \{p_i\}$  and  $p_{\min} = \min_{i=1,\dots,N} \{p_i\}$ .
- $p_i$  is the probability of agent  $i$  updating
- $B = (\max_j L_j)NM$
- $M \geq \max_{x_i, z_i \in \mathcal{K}_i} \|x_i - z_i\|$  for all  $i$

## Expression for error - equal step sizes

$$Err(N, n, \mathcal{G}) = \frac{\alpha p_{\max}}{\mu p_{\min}} \left( 2C^2 N + B \frac{\sqrt{2nN} C}{1 - \sqrt{\lambda}} \right)$$

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- $c_i(x_i) = u_i x_i + v_i x_i^2$
- $g(\bar{x}) = 100 - \bar{x}$
- $K_i = [0, 500]$
- Nash equilibrium exists and is unique

$$x_i^* = \frac{100 - u_i}{2v_i + 1} - \frac{1}{(2v_i + 1)} \frac{\sum_{j=1}^N \frac{100 - u_j}{(2v_j + 1)}}{\left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{(2v_j + 1)}\right)}$$

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## Simulation setup

- $u_i$  and  $v_i$  are **once chosen** and remain fixed

$$u_i \sim U(2, 10) \quad v_i \sim U(2, 4) \quad \forall i$$

- Network size:  $N = 20, 50,$  and  $100$
- Terminate after  $\tilde{k} = 5e3$  and  $1e4$  iterations
- Report **mean error** and **confidence interval** for 50 sample paths

$$\text{err}_\ell := \left\| x_\ell^{\tilde{k}} - x^* \right\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{ |[x_\ell^{\tilde{k}}]_i - [x^*]_i| \}.$$



## Synchronous algorithm: Setting

- Generate an adjacency matrix  $A(k)$  such that  $\mathcal{G}$  is **connected**
- Given  $A(k)$  generate the weight matrix  $W(k)$  as

$$[W]_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } A_{ij} = 0 \\ \delta & \text{if } A_{ij} = 1 \\ 1 - \delta d(i) & \text{if } i = j, \end{cases}$$

$d(i)$  : number of neighbors of player  $i$ , and

$$\delta = \frac{0.5}{\max_i \{d(i)\}}.$$

- Stepsize update rule

$$\alpha_{k,i} = \frac{\alpha}{k}, \quad \text{for all } i = 1, \dots, N, \quad \text{where } \alpha = 0.5.$$

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# Synchronous algorithm: Confidence interval width

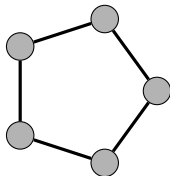
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100	$1.32e-5$	$1.43e-6$

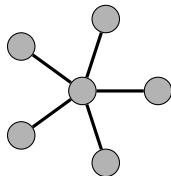
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100	$2.54e-10$	$2.14e-11$

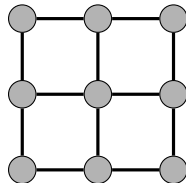
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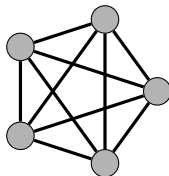
(a) Cycle



(b) Wheel



(c) Grid



(d) Complete

# Asynchronous algorithm: Mean error

Table: Diminishing stepsize:  $\tilde{k} = 5e3$

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20	$7.69e-2$	$7.16e-6$	$2.85e-4$	$4.82e-7$
50	11.0	$1.05e-1$	4.78	$8.98e-3$
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Table: Diminishing stepsize:  $\tilde{k} = 5e3$

N	Cycle	Wheel	Grid	Complete
20	2.42e-4	2.10e-7	9.51e-6	2.29e-8
50	6.34e-3	9.25e-4	2.77e-3	1.12e-4
100	5.88e-2	8.38e-1	7.46e-2	1.65e-2

Table: Diminishing stepsize:  $\tilde{k} = 1e4$

N	Cycle	Wheel	Grid	Complete
20	1.46e-5	2.54e-8	1.21e-7	7.64e-10
50	1.13e-3	5.55e-5	8.21e-4	3.67e-6
100	9.90e-3	4.09e-3	4.94e-3	1.78e-3

# Asynchronous algorithm: Confidence interval width

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**Table:** Number of iteration for concurrence of player's aggregate within an error of  $1e-2$

Network	$p_{\min}/p_{\max}$	$\lambda$	Iterations
Cycle	1	0.9994	177
Grid	5/7	0.3151	66
Wheel	1/19	0.1622	31
Complete	1	1.0888e-08	17

## Insights from numerics

- Synchronous algorithm outperforms asynchronous algorithm
- Connectivity graph plays an important role
- Asynchronous algorithm is slow
- Complete  $\succ$  Wheel  $\succ$  Grid  $\succ$  Cycle
  - Depends on the **probabilities** of agents performing update
  - And the **second largest** eigenvalue of the expected weight matrix

# References I

## Further extensions

- More general case can be solved

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\text{minimize} && f_i(x_i, \bar{x}), \quad \bar{x} = \sum_{j=1}^N x_j \\
 &\text{subject to} && x_i \in K_i \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n, \\
 &&& g_1(x) \leq 0, \dots, g_m(x) \leq 0 \quad (\text{AggGame})
 \end{aligned}$$

under suitable assumptions on  $g_j$ .

- Push-sum can be used for mixing (instead of convex combinations)