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# Is Fully Distributed Adaptive Protocol Applicable to Graphs Containing Directed Spanning Tree?

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## Appendix A The proof of Lemma 1

We prove it by constructing these two node subsets as follows. By the definition of spanning tree, we can find a node  $i_0$  which has directed paths to any other nodes. Let  $i_0 \in \mathcal{V}_1$ . For each node  $i_j \neq i_0$ ,  $i_j \in \mathcal{V}_1$  if it has directed path to  $i_0$ , and  $i_j \in \mathcal{V}_2$  otherwise. Clearly, such  $\mathcal{V}_1$  and  $\mathcal{V}_2$  satisfy i) and ii).

## Appendix B The proof of Theorem 1

Without loss of generality, we assume that  $\mathcal{V}_1 = \{1, \dots, k\}$  and  $\mathcal{V}_2 = \{k+1, \dots, N\}$ . Then, the Laplacian matrix can be divided into  $\mathcal{L} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{L}_{11} & 0 \\ \mathcal{L}_{21} & \mathcal{L}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $\mathcal{L}_{11} \in \mathbf{R}^{k \times k}$  represents the Laplacian matrix of the strongly connected subgraph among  $\mathcal{V}_1$ , and  $\mathcal{L}_{22} \in \mathbf{R}^{(N-k) \times (N-k)}$ . We have the following result to show the property of  $\mathcal{L}_{22}$ .

**Lemma 1.**  $\mathcal{L}_{22}$  is a non-singular  $M$ -matrix.

*Proof.* Since the graph  $\mathcal{G}$  contains a directed spanning tree, zero is a simple eigenvalue of  $\mathcal{L}$ . Note that the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{L}_{11}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{22}$  form all the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{L}$ , and  $\mathcal{L}_{11}$  contains a zero eigenvalue as it is the Laplacian matrix of the strongly connected subgraph among  $\mathcal{V}_1$ . Thus, all the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{L}_{22}$  are in the open right half plane. Consequently,  $\mathcal{L}_{22}$  is a non-singular  $M$ -matrix by noticing that all the nondiagonal elements are nonpositive.

The following two lemmas reveal the properties of  $\mathcal{L}_{11}$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{22}$ , respectively.

**Lemma 2** ([1]). For a strongly connected graph  $\mathcal{G}_1$  with Laplacian matrix  $\mathcal{L}_{11}$ , the matrix  $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{11} = R\mathcal{L}_{11} + \mathcal{L}_{11}^T R$  represents a weighted symmetric Laplacian matrix of an undirected connected graph, where  $R = \text{diag}(r_1, \dots, r_k) > 0$  with  $r = [r_1, \dots, r_k]$  being the left zero unit eigenvector of  $\mathcal{L}_{11}$ . Moreover,  $\min_{z^T x=0} x^T \hat{\mathcal{L}}_{11} x \geq \frac{\lambda_2(\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{11})}{k} x^T x$ , where  $\lambda_2(\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{11})$  is the smallest nonzero eigenvalue of  $\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{11}$  and  $z$  is a vector with all positive elements.

**Lemma 3** ([1]). For the non-singular  $M$ -matrix  $\mathcal{L}_{22}$ , there exists a diagonal positive definite matrix  $G > 0$  such that  $\mathcal{L}_0 = G\mathcal{L}_{22} + \mathcal{L}_{22}^T G > 0$ .

The necessity is obvious. In the following, we shall show the consensus realization with  $\mathcal{G}$  containing a directed spanning tree.

Let  $\bar{x}_1 = [x_1^T, \dots, x_k^T]^T$ ,  $\bar{x}_2 = [x_{k+1}^T, \dots, x_N^T]^T$ , and  $x = [\bar{x}_1^T, \bar{x}_2^T]^T$ . Further let  $\bar{\xi}_1 = [\xi_1^T, \dots, \xi_k^T]^T$ ,  $\bar{\xi}_2 = [\xi_{k+1}^T, \dots, \xi_N^T]^T$ , and  $\xi = [\bar{\xi}_1^T, \bar{\xi}_2^T]^T$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\xi}_1 &= (\mathcal{L}_{11} \otimes I_n) \bar{x}_1, \\ \bar{\xi}_2 &= (\mathcal{L}_{22} \otimes I_n) \bar{x}_2 + (\mathcal{L}_{21} \otimes I_n) \bar{x}_1. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B1})$$

The closed-loop dynamics of  $\bar{\xi}_1$  and  $\bar{\xi}_2$  can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\bar{\xi}}_1 &= [I_N \otimes A + \mathcal{L}_{11}(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1) \otimes BK] \bar{\xi}_1, \\ \dot{\bar{\xi}}_2 &= [I_N \otimes A + \mathcal{L}_{22}(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2) \otimes BK] \bar{\xi}_2 + [\mathcal{L}_{21}(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1) \otimes BK] \bar{\xi}_1, \\ \dot{d}_i &= \xi_i^T P B B^T P \xi_i, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B2})$$

where  $D_1 = \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_k)$ ,  $D_2 = \text{diag}(d_{k+1}, \dots, d_N)$ ,  $\rho_i = \xi_i^T P \xi_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $\bar{\rho}_1 = \text{diag}(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_k)$  and  $\bar{\rho}_2 = \text{diag}(\rho_{k+1}, \dots, \rho_N)$ . Consider the following Lyapunov function candidate

$$V = \alpha V_1 + V_2 \quad (\text{B3})$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{r_i}{2} [(2d_i + \rho_i)\rho_i + (d_i - \beta_1)^2], \\ V_2 &= \sum_{i=k+1}^N \frac{g_i}{2} [(2d_i + \rho_i)\rho_i + (d_i - \beta_2)^2], \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B4})$$

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where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  are positive constants,  $r_i$  and  $g_i$  is determined by Lemma 2 and Lemma 3, respectively.

The time-derivative of  $V$  is given by

$$\dot{V} = \alpha \dot{V}_1 + \dot{V}_2, \quad (\text{B5})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^k r_i [(d_i + \rho_i) \dot{\rho}_i + (d_i + \rho_i - \beta_1) \dot{d}_i] \\ &= 2\bar{\xi}_1^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1)R \otimes P] \dot{\bar{\xi}}_1 + \sum_{i=1}^k r_i (d_i + \rho_i - \beta_1) \xi_i^T P B B^T P \xi_i \\ &= \bar{\xi}_1^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1)R \otimes (PA + A^T P)] \bar{\xi}_1 - \bar{\xi}_1^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1) \hat{\mathcal{L}}_{11} (D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1) \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1 \\ &\quad + \bar{\xi}_1^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1 - \beta_1 I_k)R \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B6})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}_2 &= \sum_{i=k+1}^N g_i [(d_i + \rho_i) \dot{\rho}_i + (d_i + \rho_i - \beta_2) \dot{d}_i] \\ &= 2\bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)G \otimes P] \dot{\bar{\xi}}_2 + \sum_{i=k+1}^N g_i (d_i + \rho_i - \beta_2) \xi_i^T P B B^T P \xi_i \\ &= \bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)G \otimes (PA + A^T P)] \bar{\xi}_2 - \bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2) \mathcal{L}_0 (D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2) \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_2 \\ &\quad - 2\bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)G \mathcal{L}_{21} (D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1) \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1 + \bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2 - \beta_2 I_{N-k})G \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_2. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B7})$$

Define  $\chi = [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1)^{-1} \otimes I_n](r^T \otimes 1_n)$ , which has all positive elements. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \chi^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1) \otimes B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1 &= (r \otimes 1_n^T)(I_k \otimes B^T P) \bar{\xi}_1 \\ &= (r \mathcal{L}_{11} \otimes 1_n^T)(I_k \otimes B^T P) \bar{x}_1 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

In light of Lemma 2, we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & - \bar{\xi}_1^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1) \hat{\mathcal{L}}_{11} (D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1) \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1 \\ & \leq - \frac{\lambda_2(\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{11})}{k} \bar{\xi}_1^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1)^2 \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B8})$$

Denote  $\lambda_0$  as the smallest eigenvalue of  $\mathcal{L}_0$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & - \bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2) \mathcal{L}_0 (D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2) \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_2 \\ & \leq - \lambda_0 \bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)^2 \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_2. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B9})$$

By Young's Inequality, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} & - 2\bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)G \mathcal{L}_{21} (D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1) \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1 \\ & \leq \frac{\lambda_0}{2} \bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)^2 \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_2 + \frac{2\sigma_{\max}^2(G \mathcal{L}_{21})}{\lambda_0} \bar{\xi}_1^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1)^2 \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B10})$$

Substituting (B6)-(B10) into (B5) and choosing  $\alpha = \frac{\lambda_2(\hat{\mathcal{L}}_{11})}{k} (\alpha_1 + \frac{2\sigma_{\max}^2(G \mathcal{L}_{21})}{\lambda_0})$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} & \leq \alpha \bar{\xi}_1^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1)R \otimes (PA + A^T P + P B B^T P)] \bar{\xi}_1 - \bar{\xi}_1^T [(\alpha_1 (D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1)^2 + \alpha \beta_1 R) \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1 \\ & \quad + \bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)G \otimes (PA + A^T P + P B B^T P)] \bar{\xi}_2 - \bar{\xi}_2^T [(\frac{\lambda_0}{2} (D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)^2 - \beta_2 G) \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_2. \end{aligned}$$

By choosing  $\beta_1 \geq \frac{9\alpha\lambda_{\max}(R)}{4\alpha_1}$  and in light of Young's Inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & - \bar{\xi}_1^T [(\alpha_1 (D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1)^2 + \alpha \beta_1 R) \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1 \\ & \leq - 3\alpha \bar{\xi}_1^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1)R \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_1. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B11})$$

Similarly, we can derive

$$\begin{aligned} & - \bar{\xi}_2^T [(\frac{\lambda_0}{2} (D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)^2 - \beta_2 G) \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_2 \\ & \leq - 3\bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)G \otimes P B B^T P] \bar{\xi}_2, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B12})$$

where  $\beta_2 \geq \frac{9\lambda_{\max}(G)}{2\lambda_0}$ . Then, we can derive that

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} & \leq - \alpha \bar{\xi}_1^T [(D_1 + \bar{\rho}_1)R \otimes W] \bar{\xi}_1 - \bar{\xi}_2^T [(D_2 + \bar{\rho}_2)G \otimes W] \bar{\xi}_2 \\ & \leq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B13})$$

where  $W = -(PA + A^T P - 2P B B^T P)$  is a positive definite matrix.

Therefore,  $V$  is bounded, and so are  $\bar{\xi}_1$ ,  $\bar{\xi}_2$  and  $d_i$ . Note that  $\dot{V} \equiv 0$  is equivalent to  $\bar{\xi}_1 \equiv 0$ ,  $\bar{\xi}_2 \equiv 0$ , and thereby  $\xi \equiv 0$ . By LaSalle's Invariance principle, we can conclude that the consensus error asymptotically converges to zero.

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