- 1 Response to R1: We thank you for the enthusiastic review and thoughtful comments that we will address in our 2 revision.
- 3 **Response to R2:** We thank you for the positive review.
- 4 "Certainly not a breakthrough result however, as separations with slightly stronger assumptions (distribution-specific
- 5 learning, accessing only local information, separation between SI and Fully Interactive) already existed. '
- 6 We are puzzled by this statement since none of the mentioned works provides any tools or partial progress toward the
- 7 solution of the problem we consider. Most notably, [JMNR19] considers a separation of completely unrelated nature
- and is also subsequent to our work. In particular, "slightly stronger assumptions" is not an accurate description of the
- 9 relationship between these works.
- 10 "Definition 2.1 is actually incorrect."
- 11 Def. 2.1 is the definition of ϵ -LDP from [KLNRS08]. We will clarify that, in the terminology of [JMNR19], it
- 12 corresponds to compositional ϵ -LDP. The use of this variant of LDP makes our upper bounds stronger and does not
- 13 affect our lower bounds.
- 14 "The way thm. 1.2 is stated its a bit unclear if its for any class C or a specific class of large-margin linear separators."
- 15 It is stated for any class C and the bound is in terms of the margin complexity of C.
- 16 "I wasn't familiar with margin complexity before... so based on 2.5 if the dual class of f contains the all zeros classifier,
- 17 e.g. x such that f(x) = 0 for all X, the margin complexity is infinite?
- In our work Boolean functions are $\{-1, +1\}$ -valued (e.g. line 37 or 77) so C cannot include f(x) = 0
- 19 "In line 254 shouldn't this be E[f(x)h(x)] > 1/m?"
- 20 We believe it's correct as is.
- 21 Response to R3: We appreciate the reviewer's directness about their lack of familiarity with the area. Our presentation
- 22 was optimized for readers having basic familiarity with the concept of local differential privacy and interest in this topic.
- 23 "The main (8 pages) version of the paper looks like a hastily truncated version of the 15-pages version provided as
- 24 supplementary material:"
- 25 That is not true. The 8-page version omits only proofs of some of the results and Section 5 that discusses additional
- 26 implications of our results.
- 27 As usual, our presentation defers the formal definition of the standard concepts to the Preliminaries section (to avoid
- 28 making the overview even longer). To address some of the reviewer's specific concerns:
- 1. We will add a pointer to Definition 2.1 (LDP) in the introduction.
- 2. Add a more explicit definition of the SQ acronym.