- 1. **[ALL]** As R3 appreciates, our paper is mainly theoretical in nature and the focus has been to present a correct and theoretically sound methodology. We believe that *the beauty of our theory* is that we establish a connection between the notion of rank-2 succinct representation, and Fourier transformation of a set function. We show that Fourier coefficients for sets of size 3 or bigger are 0. Moreover, for terminal nodes only singleton sets of the parents have non-zero Fourier coefficients. This connection not only allows us to differentiate between terminal and non-terminal nodes but also enables us to identify parents of terminal nodes.

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- 2. [R1] Regarding "plots are noisy and don't really support well the claim that the algorithm recovers the true structure as the amount of data/queries increases" The experiments provided in our paper validate our theory. Check the sharp jump in Figure 2 which is expected based on Theorem 3. Similarly, Figure 3 shows that Markov blanket can be recovered with sufficient number of observational data. Some variance in the plots is expected as experiments are conducted for multiple networks. In point 8, we provide more experimental evidence to further validate our theoretical contribution.
- 3. **[R2] On Motivation.** Learning structure of Bayesian network from data, in its general form, is provably NP-hard [Chickering, 1996, Learning Bayesian Networks Is NP-Complete]. If P≠NP, then it is absolutely necessary to exploit further structure of NP-hard problems to solve them in polynomial time and samples. For instance, consider succinctness assumptions in other problems: low rankness in matrix completion or sparsity in compressive sensing. We consider Bayesian network with nodes having potentially complicated probability tables which can be succinctly represented as a sum of small and less complicated probability tables (Lines 52-57, 100-108). We consider the case where the smaller tables depend only on the node and one parent (*rank*-2 case). Assumption 3 ensures that such a succinct representation is possible (check point 4 for a practical example). Assumption 1 is reminiscent of (but not equivalent to) the interventional setting (Lines 130-132). Assumption 1 could be seen as an interactive query and in special settings (but not always), one could think of it as expert knowledge.
- 4. **[R2] A particular example used in practice.** The *combinational stochastic logic gates*[Mansinghka et al, 2008, Stochastic digital circuits for probabilistic inference] are heavily used in digital hardware. Consider this simple Θ -gate which can be easily represented as a rank-2 CPT, i.e., $P(Z|X,Y) = Q_z(Z) + Q_{zx}(Z,X) + Q_{zy}(Z,Y)$ where $Q_z(Z) = 0, \forall Z \in \{0,1\}$ and tables Q_{zx} and Q_{zy} are shown below.

X	Y	$P(Z=0 \mid X,Y)$	$P(Z=1\mid X,Y)$						
0	0	1	0		X = 0	X = 1		Y = 0	Y = 1
1	0	0.5	0.5	Z=0	0.5	0	Z = 0	0.5	0
0	1	0.5	0.5	Z = 1	0	0.5	Z = 1	0	0.5
1	1	0	1		(b) Q_{zx}			(c) Q_{zy}	
(a) Θ -gate truth table					. , •			. , •3	

- 5. [R2, R3] Our theory works for any general rank-k CPTs. Rank-2 is only used for clarity. For rank-k CPTs, we differentiate terminal and non-terminal nodes by looking at non-zero terms in $\hat{f}_i(B)$ for some |B| = k (Assumptions 3, 4 and Theorems 1, 2, 3 are updated accordingly).
- 6. **[R2]** Reviewer 2 has asked to present a case where Assumption 4 is violated. Assumption 4 does not hold only when non-terminal nodes are rank-2 (or rank-k) with respect to their Markov blankets (Take A(i) = MB(i) in Eq (1)). This condition may occur for a node with just one parent and one child (and no other parent of the child).
- 7. **[R2] Extending theory to discrete variables.** We chose binary variables for ease of presentation, our results easily extend to discrete variables. The most crucial part of the theory is to map $\mathcal{P}(X_r = x_r | X_{\bar{r}} = x_{\bar{r}})$ to a set function. Assume that every variable can take 4 values. We encode them as: 00,01,10,11. We choose a set $S \subseteq \{1,\cdots,2n\}$ and assign variable X_i a 2-bit value x_i . The first bit of x_i is 1 if $2i-1 \in S$ and the second bit of x_i is 1 if $2i \in S$. The rest of the theory follows once we have this map in place.
- 8. **[R1, R3] Experimental results. 1.** We see a trend similar to Figure 2 of our paper for bigger networks.

	Control Parameter	# Queries	Precision	Recall	Control Parameter	# Queries	Precision	Recall	
	-2	37	55 %	82 %	-2	71	84%	96%	
	-1.5	118	91%	96 %	-1.5	227	89%	97%	
	-1	374	93 %	93 %	-1	719	99.5%	99 %	
(a) $n = 50$ nodes					(b)	n = 100 no	des		

- **2.** A baseline comparison: on 20 nodes network, our method (precision 95%, recall 95%) with 300 queries outperforms state-of-the-art MMHC method (precision 86%, recall 86%) and greedy (precision 80%, recall 82%) with 100000 samples. **3.** Using recovered Markov blanket (Figure 3, 20 nodes), we can recover DAG with 95% precision and 95% recall.
- 9. [R2, R3] Formatting errors will be corrected in the final version.