Author’s response to reviews

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Here I list the revisions required and the actions taken.

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Now all references are in square brackets, no superscript used. The problem with reference [1] is solved.

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