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Dear Benny Yau,

Thank you for your suggestions on my manuscript. The following is my reply to the editorial comments one by one.

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