Reviewer’s report

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This has been a tough review because clearly the material and subject are not natural topics of study for the author. I believe he/she could improve to make this worthwhile but the readership would struggle presently with a plethora of weakly constructed references. I believe taking a research thesis at BSc and MSc is harder than many realise when converting to a stand alone paper. There are areas that if written in an educational journal such as Cassar 2009 then such material would stand without need for heavy explanation. I did try to recall the full Cassar paper but my University link could not download the paper without a personal cost to me which of course is not accounted for when reviewers undertake work. The author would have to expand on some of the method to ensure the readership understood the relevant areas of study. Hopefully if not too demotivated the author will consider these comments. My own comments to the author are open to peer review.

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