

Magn. Reson. Discuss., referee comment RC5  
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## Reply on RC4

Tom Barbara (Referee)

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Referee comment on "Multidimensional encoding of restricted and anisotropic diffusion by double rotation of the  $q$  vector" by Hong Jiang et al., Magn. Reson. Discuss., <https://doi.org/10.5194/mr-2022-16-RC5>, 2023

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I was relieved to see that the second reviewer agreed with mine that the theory could use some clarification and I agree with the terminology used to point to the "paper chase" syndrome. I have experienced it many times. Supplementary information is a great idea and I would be happy to see it, but I want to emphasize that even a brief mention of the reality behind the stylized notation along with a citation to an accurate reference that gives further explanation, will go a long way in making readers happy and able to champion an effort as "a great paper". I do have coworkers who do work in the area of diffusion and I do talk to them (and my name often gets on some publication as a result) and very often I hear "well I could not understand that paper".