

Dear Professor Fayyazuddin,

Please take a look at the text attached. This is a "report" of a referee whom you employed to review my paper recently submitted to PRD.

The report portrays me as a dumb ignorant, and perhaps a crook in addition. But your editorial colleague took it seriously and used it as an excuse to reject my paper. "This concludes consideration of this manuscript" he said.

Now you ask me to review another paper for PRD. So I have a question: if I am as dumb as your referee said I am, then how can you trust my judgement?

Yours

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PS. I had been a member of the Editorial Board of the General Relativity and Gravitation journal for about 20 years. If I had received such a hysterical report, then I would have first asked the referee to tone it down, and then I would have given the author a chance to reply, formal rules notwithstanding. I would have thought: It is impossible that someone with a solid publication record suddenly submits such a miserable crap, so there must be something wrong with the referee and his report. Did the referee understand the paper?