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Variational Methods for Nonstandard Eigenvalue Problems (Further Comments)

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In response to the author's reply to the first Comment on the above paper, it is affirmed that the proof of fallacy and statements contained therein stand unaltered. The author's attempt at clarification shows that his propositions are founded on contradictory suppositions and equivocation. If not for rigor and consistency, what is the excuse for using mathematics? The issues, however, are not merely ones of purity and semantics--although precision in terminology is essential to meaningful communication--but there is also an important practical consideration.

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