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Some new general integral inequalities for *P*-functions

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Abstract

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In this paper, we derive new estimates for the remainder term of the midpoint, trapezoid, and Simpson formulae for functions whose derivatives in absolute value at certain power are *P*-functions. Some applications to special means of real numbers are also given.

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1 Introduction

Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a convex function defined on the interval *I* of real numbers and $a, b \in I$ with a < b. The following inequality holds:

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \le \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx \le \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}.$$
(1.1)

This double inequality is well known as Hermite-Hadamard integral inequality for convex functions in the literature .

In [2] Dragomir et al. defined the concept of *P*-function as the following:

Definition 1.1. We say that $f : I \to \mathbb{R}$ is a *P*-function, or that f belongs to the class P(I), if f is a non-negative function and for all $x, y \in I$, $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$f(\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y) \le f(x) + f(y).$$

P(I) contain all nonnegative monotone convex and quasi convex functions.

In [2], Dragomir et al., proved following inequalities of Hadamard's type for P-function

Theorem 1.1. Let $f \in P(I)$, $a, b \in I$ with a < b and $f \in L[a, b]$. Then the following inequality holds

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \le \frac{2}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx \le 2\left[f(a)+f(b)\right].$$

$$(1.2)$$

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The following inequality is well known in the literature as Simpson's inequality .

Let $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be a four times continuously differentiable mapping on (a, b) and $\left\| f^{(4)} \right\|_{\infty} = \sup_{x \in (a, b)} \left| f^{(4)}(x) \right| < \infty$. Then the following inequality holds:

$$\left|\frac{1}{3}\left[\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}+2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right]-\frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}f(x)dx\right| \leq \frac{1}{2880}\left\|f^{(4)}\right\|_{\infty}(b-a)^{4}.$$

In recent years many authors have studied error estimations for Simpson's inequality and Hermite-Hadamard inequality; for refinements, counterparts, generalizations, see ([1]-[10]).

In [3], Iscan obtained a new generalization of some integral inequalities for differentiable convex mapping which are connected Simpson and Hadamard type inequalities by using the following lemma.

Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° such that $f' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$ with a < b and $\alpha, \lambda \in [0, 1]$. Then the following equality holds:

$$\lambda \left(\alpha f(a) + (1 - \alpha) f(b) \right) + (1 - \lambda) f(\alpha a + (1 - \alpha) b) - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx$$

= $(b - a) \left[\int_{0}^{1 - \alpha} (t - \alpha \lambda) f'(tb + (1 - t)a) dt + \int_{1 - \alpha}^{1} (t - 1 + \lambda (1 - \alpha)) f'(tb + (1 - t)a) dt \right].$

The aim of this paper is to establish some new general integral inequalities for functions whose derivatives in absolute value at certain power are *P*-functions. Some applications of these results to special means is to give as well.

Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° , the interior of *I*. Throughout this section we will take

$$I_f(\lambda, \alpha, a, b)$$

= $\lambda (\alpha f(a) + (1 - \alpha) f(b)) + (1 - \lambda) f(\alpha a + (1 - \alpha) b) - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$

where $a, b \in I^{\circ}$ with a < b and $\alpha, \lambda \in [0, 1]$.

Theorem 1.2. Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° such that $f' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I^{\circ}$ with a < b and $\alpha, \lambda \in [0, 1]$. If $|f'|^q$ is P-function on $[a, b], q \ge 1$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\left| I_{f}(\lambda, \alpha, a, b) \right| \leq (b-a) \left(\left| f'(b) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(a) \right|^{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

$$\times \begin{cases} \gamma_{2}(\alpha, \lambda) + \gamma_{2}(1-\alpha, \lambda) & \alpha\lambda \leq 1-\alpha \leq 1-\lambda (1-\alpha) \\ \gamma_{2}(\alpha, \lambda) + \gamma_{1}(1-\alpha, \lambda) & \alpha\lambda \leq 1-\lambda (1-\alpha) \leq 1-\alpha \\ \gamma_{1}(\alpha, \lambda) + \gamma_{2}(1-\alpha, \lambda) & 1-\alpha \leq \alpha\lambda \leq 1-\lambda (1-\alpha) \end{cases}$$

$$(1.3)$$

where

$$\gamma_1(\alpha, \lambda) = (1-\alpha) \left[\alpha \lambda - \frac{(1-\alpha)}{2} \right],$$

$$\gamma_2(\alpha, \lambda) = (\alpha \lambda)^2 - \gamma_1(\alpha, \lambda).$$
(1.4)

Proof. Suppose that $q \ge 1$.Since $|f'|^q$ is *P*-function on [a, b], from Lemma 1 and using the well known power mean inequality, we have

$$\left| I_f(\lambda, \alpha, a, b) \right|$$

$$\leq (b-a) \left[\int_{0}^{1-\alpha} |t-\alpha\lambda| \left| f'(tb+(1-t)a) \right| dt + \int_{1-\alpha}^{1} |t-1+\lambda(1-\alpha)| \left| f'(tb+(1-t)a) \right| dt \right]$$

$$\leq (b-a) \left\{ \left(\int_{0}^{1-\alpha} |t-\alpha\lambda| \, dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_{0}^{1-\alpha} |t-\alpha\lambda| \, \left| f'(tb+(1-t)a) \right|^{q} \, dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\int_{1-\alpha}^{1} |t-1+\lambda(1-\alpha)| \, dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_{1-\alpha}^{1} |t-1+\lambda(1-\alpha)| \, \left| f'(tb+(1-t)a) \right|^{q} \, dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}$$
$$\leq (b-a) \left(\left| f'(b) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(a) \right|^{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ \int_{0}^{1-\alpha} |t-\alpha\lambda| \, dt + \int_{1-\alpha}^{1} |t-1+\lambda(1-\alpha)| \, dt \right\}$$
(1.5)

Additionally, by simple computation

$$\int_{0}^{1-\alpha} |t-\alpha\lambda| \, dt = \begin{cases} \gamma_2(\alpha,\lambda), & \alpha\lambda \le 1-\alpha \\ \gamma_1(\alpha,\lambda), & \alpha\lambda \ge 1-\alpha \end{cases} ,$$
(1.6)

$$\gamma_{1}(\alpha,\lambda) = (1-\alpha) \left[\alpha\lambda - \frac{(1-\alpha)}{2} \right], \ \gamma_{2}(\alpha,\lambda) = (\alpha\lambda)^{2} - \gamma_{1}(\alpha,\lambda) ,$$

$$\int_{1-\alpha}^{1} |t-1+\lambda(1-\alpha)| \, dt = \int_{0}^{\alpha} |t-(1-\alpha)\lambda| \, dt \qquad (1.7)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \gamma_{1}(1-\alpha,\lambda), & 1-\lambda(1-\alpha) \leq 1-\alpha \\ \gamma_{2}(1-\alpha,\lambda), & 1-\lambda(1-\alpha) \geq 1-\alpha \end{cases},$$

Thus, using (1.6) and (1.7) in (1.5), we obtain the inequality (1.3). This completes the proof.

Corollary 1.1. Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.2 with q = 1, we have

$$\begin{split} \left| I_{f}\left(\lambda,\alpha,a,b\right) \right| &\leq (b-a)\left(\left| f'(b) \right| + \left| f'(a) \right| \right) \\ \times \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma_{2}(\alpha,\lambda) + \gamma_{2}(1-\alpha,\lambda) & \alpha\lambda \leq 1-\alpha \leq 1-\lambda \left(1-\alpha \right) \\ \gamma_{2}(\alpha,\lambda) + \gamma_{1}(1-\alpha,\lambda) & \alpha\lambda \leq 1-\lambda \left(1-\alpha \right) \leq 1-\alpha \\ \gamma_{1}(\alpha,\lambda) + \gamma_{2}(1-\alpha,\lambda) & 1-\alpha \leq \alpha\lambda \leq 1-\lambda \left(1-\alpha \right) \end{array} \right. \end{split}$$

Corollary 1.2. In Theorem 1.2, if we take $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\lambda = \frac{1}{3}$, then we have the following Simpson type inequality

$$\left|\frac{1}{6}\left[f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b)\right] - \frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}f(x)dx\right| \le \frac{5(b-a)}{36}\left(\left|f'(b)\right|^{q} + \left|f'(a)\right|^{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

Corollary 1.3. In Theorem 1.2, if we take $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\lambda = 0$, then we have following midpoint inequality

$$\left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\left| f'(b) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(a) \right|^{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

Corollary 1.4. In Theorem 1.2, if we take $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$, and $\lambda = 1$, then we get the following trapezoid inequality which is identical to the inequality in [1, Theorem 2.3].

$$\left|\frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx\right| \le \frac{b - a}{4} \left(\left| f'(b) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(a) \right|^{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

Using Lemma 1 we shall give another result for convex functions as follows.

Theorem 1.3. Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° such that $f' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I^{\circ}$ with a < b and $\alpha, \lambda \in [0, 1]$. If $|f'|^q$ is P-function on [a, b], q > 1, then the following inequality holds:

$$I_f(\lambda, \alpha, a, b) \Big| \le (b-a) \left(\frac{1}{p+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$
(1.8)

$$\times \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left[\varepsilon_{1}^{1/p}(\alpha,\lambda,p) \varepsilon_{f}^{1/q}(\alpha,q) + \varepsilon_{1}^{1/p}(1-\alpha,\lambda,p) k_{f}^{1/q}(\alpha,q) \right], & \alpha\lambda \leq 1-\alpha \leq 1-\lambda \left(1-\alpha\right) \\ \varepsilon_{1}^{1/p}(\alpha,\lambda,p) \varepsilon_{f}^{1/q}(\alpha,q) + \varepsilon_{2}^{1/p}(1-\alpha,\lambda,p) k_{f}^{1/q}(\alpha,q) \\ \left[\varepsilon_{2}^{1/p}(\alpha,\lambda,p) \varepsilon_{f}^{1/q}(\alpha,q) + \varepsilon_{1}^{1/p}(1-\alpha,\lambda,p) k_{f}^{1/q}(\alpha,q) \right], & \alpha\lambda \leq 1-\lambda \left(1-\alpha\right) \leq 1-\alpha \\ \left[\varepsilon_{2}^{1/p}(\alpha,\lambda,p) \varepsilon_{f}^{1/q}(\alpha,q) + \varepsilon_{1}^{1/p}(1-\alpha,\lambda,p) k_{f}^{1/q}(\alpha,q) \right], & 1-\alpha \leq \alpha\lambda \leq 1-\lambda \left(1-\alpha\right) \end{array} \right]$$

where

$$c_{f}(\alpha,q) = (1-\alpha) \left[\left| f'((1-\alpha)b + \alpha a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(a) \right|^{q} \right],$$

$$k_{f}(\alpha,q) = \alpha \left[\left| f'((1-\alpha)b + \alpha a) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(b) \right|^{q} \right],$$
(1.9)

$$\varepsilon_1(\alpha,\lambda,p) = (\alpha\lambda)^{p+1} + (1-\alpha-\alpha\lambda)^{p+1}, \ \varepsilon_2(\alpha,\lambda,p) = (\alpha\lambda)^{p+1} - (\alpha\lambda-1+\alpha)^{p+1},$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - 1$$

and $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

Proof. Since $|f'|^q$ is *P*-function on [a, b], from Lemma 1 and by Hölder's integral inequality, we have

$$\left| I_{f}\left(\lambda,\alpha,a,b\right) \right| \leq \left(b-a \right) \left[\int_{0}^{1-\alpha} \left| t-\alpha\lambda \right| \left| f'\left(tb+(1-t)a\right) \right| dt + \int_{1-\alpha}^{1} \left| t-1+\lambda\left(1-\alpha\right) \right| \left| f'\left(tb+(1-t)a\right) \right| dt \right] \right]$$

$$\leq (b-a) \left\{ \left(\int_{0}^{1-\alpha} |t-\alpha\lambda|^{p} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{0}^{1-\alpha} |f'(tb+(1-t)a)|^{q} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\int_{1-\alpha}^{1} |t-1+\lambda(1-\alpha)|^{p} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{1-\alpha}^{1} |f'(tb+(1-t)a)|^{q} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}.$$
(1.10)

By the inequality (1.2), we get

$$\int_{0}^{1-\alpha} |f'(tb+(1-t)a)|^{q} dt = (1-\alpha) \left[\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)(b-a)} \int_{a}^{(1-\alpha)b+\alpha a} |f'(x)|^{q} dx \right] \\ \leq (1-\alpha) \left[|f'((1-\alpha)b+\alpha a)|^{q} + |f'(a)|^{q} \right].$$
(1.11)

The inequality (1.11) also holds for $\alpha = 1$. Similarly, for $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ by the inequality (1.2), we have

$$\int_{1-\alpha}^{1} |f'(tb+(1-t)a)|^{q} dt = \alpha \left[\frac{1}{\alpha (b-a)} \int_{(1-\alpha)b+\alpha a}^{b} |f'(x)|^{q} dx \right] \\ \leq \alpha \left[|f'((1-\alpha)b+\alpha a)|^{q} + |f'(b)|^{q} \right].$$
(1.12)

The inequality (1.12) also holds for $\alpha = 0$. By simple computation

$$\int_{0}^{1-\alpha} |t-\alpha\lambda|^{p} dt = \begin{cases} \frac{(\alpha\lambda)^{p+1} + (1-\alpha-\alpha\lambda)^{p+1}}{p+1}, & \alpha\lambda \leq 1-\alpha\\ \frac{(\alpha\lambda)^{p+1} - (\alpha\lambda-1+\alpha)^{p+1}}{p+1}, & \alpha\lambda \geq 1-\alpha \end{cases},$$
(1.13)

and

$$\int_{1-\alpha}^{1} |t-1+\lambda(1-\alpha)|^{p} dt = \begin{cases} \frac{[\lambda(1-\alpha)]^{p+1}+[\alpha-\lambda(1-\alpha)]^{p+1}}{p+1}, & 1-\alpha \leq 1-\lambda(1-\alpha) \\ \frac{[\lambda(1-\alpha)]^{p+1}-[\lambda(1-\alpha)-\alpha]^{p+1}}{p+1}, & 1-\alpha \geq 1-\lambda(1-\alpha) \end{cases},$$
(1.14)

thus, using (1.11)-(1.14) in (1.10), we obtain the inequality (1.8). This completes the proof.

Corollary 1.5. In Theorem 1.3, if we take $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\lambda = \frac{1}{3}$, then we have the following Simpson type inequality

$$\left|\frac{1}{6}\left[f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b)\right] - \frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}f(x)dx\right| \le \frac{b-a}{12}\left(\frac{1+2^{p+1}}{3(p+1)}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \left\{\left(\left|f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right|^{q} + \left|f'(a)\right|^{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\left|f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right|^{q} + \left|f'(b)\right|^{q}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}\right\}.$$

Corollary 1.6. In Theorem 1.3, if we take $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\lambda = 0$, then we have the following midpoint inequality

$$\left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\frac{1}{p+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$
$$\times \left\{ \left(\left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^{q} + \left| f'\left(a\right) \right|^{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^{q} + \left| f'\left(b\right) \right|^{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}.$$

We note that by inequality

$$\left|f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right|^{q} \le \left|f'\left(a\right)\right|^{q} + \left|f'\left(b\right)\right|^{q}$$

we have

$$\left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\frac{1}{p+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ \left(\left| f'(b) \right|^{q} + 2 \left| f'(a) \right|^{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\left| f'(a) \right|^{q} + 2 \left| f'(b) \right|^{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}$$

Corollary 1.7. In Theorem 1.3, if we take $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\lambda = 1$, then we have the following trapezoid inequality

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{b - a}{4} \left(\frac{1}{p + 1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ \times \left\{ \left(\left| f'\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(a) \right|^{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\left| f'\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) \right|^{q} + \left| f'(b) \right|^{q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}.$$

2 Some applications for special means

We now recall the following well-known concepts. For arbitrary real numbers $a, b, a \neq b$, we define

1. The unweighted arithmetic mean

$$A(a,b):=\frac{a+b}{2}, a,b\in\mathbb{R}$$

2. Then *n*–Logarithmic mean

$$L_n(a,b) := \left(\frac{b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}}{(n+1)(b-a)}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}, n \in \mathbb{N}, n \ge 1, a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a < b.$$

Now we give some applications of the new results derived in section 2 to special means of real numbers.

Proposition 2.1. *Let* $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ *with* a < b *and* $n \in \mathbb{N}$ *,* $n \ge 2$ *. Then*

$$\left|\frac{1}{3}A(a^{n},b^{n}) + \frac{2}{3}A^{n}(a,b) - L_{n}^{n}(a,b)\right| \leq \frac{5n(b-a)}{36} \left(|b|^{(n-1)q} + |a|^{(n-1)q}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

Proof. The assertion follows from Corollary 1.2 applied to the function $f(x) = x^n$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, because $|f'|^q$ is a *P*-function.

Proposition 2.2. *Let* $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ *with* a < b *and* $n \in \mathbb{N}$ *,* $n \ge 2$ *. Then*

$$|A^{n}(a,b) - L^{n}_{n}(a,b)| \leq \frac{n(b-a)}{4} \left(|b|^{(n-1)q} + |a|^{(n-1)q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

and

$$|A(a^{n}, b^{n}) - L_{n}^{n}(a, b)| \leq \frac{n(b-a)}{4} \left(|b|^{(n-1)q} + |a|^{(n-1)q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

Proof. The assertion follows from Corollary 1.3 and Corollary 1.4 applied to the function $f(x) = x^n$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, because $|f'|^q$ is a *P*-function.

Proposition 2.3. *Let* $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ *with* a < b *and* $n \in \mathbb{N}$ *,* $n \ge 2$ *. Then*

$$\left|\frac{1}{3}A(a^{n},b^{n}) + \frac{2}{3}A^{n}(a,b) - L_{n}^{n}(a,b)\right| \leq \frac{n(b-a)}{12} \left(\frac{1+2^{p+1}}{3(p+1)}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ \times \left\{ \left(|A(a,b)|^{(n-1)q} + |a|^{(n-1)q}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(|A(a,b)|^{(n-1)q} + |b|^{(n-1)q}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}.$$

Proof. The assertion follows from Corollary 1.5 applied to the function $f(x) = x^n$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, because $|f'|^q$ is a *P*-function.

Proposition 2.4. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with a < b and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \ge 2$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} |A^{n}(a,b) - L^{n}_{n}(a,b)| &\leq \frac{n(b-a)}{4} \left(\frac{1}{p+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\times \left\{ \left(|A(a,b)|^{(n-1)q} + |a|^{(n-1)q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(|A(a,b)|^{(n-1)q} + |b|^{(n-1)q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |A(a^{n}, b^{n}) - L_{n}^{n}(a, b)| &\leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left(\frac{1}{p+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\times \left\{ \left(|A(a, b)|^{(n-1)q} + |a|^{(n-1)q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(|A(a, b)|^{(n-1)q} + |b|^{(n-1)q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The assertion follows from Corollary 1.6 and Corollary 1.7 applied to the function $f(x) = x^n$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, because $|f'|^q$ is a *P*-function.

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