

**COEFFICIENT ESTIMATES FOR A UNIFICATION OF SOME
SUBCLASSES OF ANALYTIC AND BI-UNIVALENT FUNCTIONS
OF MA-MINDA TYPE**

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ABSTRACT. In the present investigation, we consider a new general subclass $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$ of the class Σ consisting of analytic and bi-univalent functions in the open unit disk \mathbb{U} . For functions belonging to the class introduced here, we find estimates on the Taylor-Maclaurin coefficients $|a_2|$ and $|a_3|$. Several connections to some of the earlier known results are also pointed out.

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1. INTRODUCTION, DEFINITIONS AND PRELIMINARIES

Let \mathcal{A} denote the class of functions $f(z)$ normalized by

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad (1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk

$$\mathbb{U} = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } |z| < 1\}.$$

It is well-known that if $f(z)$ is an analytic univalent function from a domain \mathbb{D}_1 onto a domain \mathbb{D}_2 , then the inverse function $g(z)$ defined by

$$g(f(z)) = z \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}_1)$$

is an analytic and univalent mapping from \mathbb{D}_2 to \mathbb{D}_1 . Moreover, by the familiar *Koebe One-Quarter Theorem* (see [3]), we know that the image of \mathbb{U} under every

function $f \in \mathcal{S}$ contains a disk of radius $\frac{1}{4}$. Therefore, every univalent function $f \in \mathbb{U}$ has an inverse f^{-1} that satisfies the following conditions:

$$f^{-1}(f(z)) = z \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

and

$$f^{-1}(f(w)) = w \quad \left(w < r_0(f); r_0(f) \geq \frac{1}{4} \right).$$

The inverse of the function $f(z)$ has a series expansion in some disk about the origin of the form:

$$f^{-1}(w) = w + \rho_2 w^2 + \rho_3 w^3 + \dots . \quad (2)$$

The inverse of the Koebe function provides the best bound for all $|\rho_k|$ in (2) (see [8, 12]).

An univalent function $f(z)$ in a neighborhood of the origin and its inverse $f^{-1}(w)$ satisfy the following condition:

$$f(f^{-1}(w)) = w$$

or, equivalently,

$$w = f^{-1}(w) + a_2 [f^{-1}(w)]^2 + a_3 [f^{-1}(w)]^3 + \dots . \quad (3)$$

Using (1) and (2) in (3), we obtain

$$g(w) = f^{-1}(w) = w - a_2 w^2 + (2a_2^2 - a_3) w^3 - (5a_2^3 - 5a_2 a_3 + a_4) w^4 + \dots . \quad (4)$$

A function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be bi-univalent in \mathbb{U} if both $f(z)$ and $f^{-1}(z)$ are univalent in \mathbb{U} . We denote by Σ the class of bi-univalent functions in \mathbb{U} given by (1).

It is worth noting that the familiar Koebe function is not a member of Σ since it maps the unit disk \mathbb{U} univalently onto the entire complex plane minus a slit along the line $-\frac{1}{4}$ to $-\infty$. Thus, the image of the domain does not contain the unit disk \mathbb{U} .

An analytic function f is subordinate to an analytic function g , written $f(z) \prec g(z)$, provided there is an analytic function w defined on \mathbb{U} with $w(0) = 0$ and $|w(z)| < 1$ satisfying $f(z) = g(w(z))$. Ma and Minda [9] unified various subclasses of starlike and convex functions for which either of the quantity $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}$ or $1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}$ is subordinate to a more general superordinate function. To this end, they considered an analytic function ϕ with positive real part in the unit disk \mathbb{U} such that $\phi(0) = 1$,

$\phi'(0) > 0$, and ϕ maps \mathbb{U} onto a region starlike with respect to 1 and symmetric with respect to the real axis. The class of Ma-Minda starlike functions consists of functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfying the subordination $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \phi(z)$. Similarly, the class of Ma-Minda convex functions consists of functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfying the subordination $1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \prec \phi(z)$.

We now introduce the following unification of some subclasses of bi-univalent functions of Ma-Minda type.

Definition 1. A function $f \in \Sigma$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$, $\mu \geq 0$, $\lambda \geq 1$ and $0 \leq \gamma \leq 1$, if the following subordinations hold:

$$(1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda f'(z) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu-1} \prec \phi(z) \quad (5)$$

and

$$(1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda g'(w) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu-1} \prec \phi(w), \quad (6)$$

where the function g is given by (4).

A function in the class $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$ is called bi-starlike of Ma-Minda type. This class unifies the subclass $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\phi, \phi}(\lambda, \mu)$ introduced recently by Srivastava *et al.* [13] and the subclass $\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{a, 1, a}(1, \gamma, \phi)$ investigated by Peng *et al.* [11]. These subclasses are defined respectively as follows:

Definition 2. A function $f \in \Sigma$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\phi, \phi}(\lambda, \mu)$, $\mu \geq 0$ and $\lambda \geq 1$, if the following subordinations hold:

$$(1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda f'(z) \left(\frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu-1} \prec \phi(z) \quad (7)$$

and

$$(1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda g'(w) \left(\frac{g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu-1} \prec \phi(w), \quad (8)$$

where the function g is given by (4).

Definition 3. A function $f \in \Sigma$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{S}_{\Sigma}^{a, 1, a}(1, \gamma, \phi)$, $0 \leq \gamma \leq 1$, if the following subordinations hold:

$$\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{(1 - \gamma)z + \gamma f(z)} \right) \prec \phi(z) \quad (9)$$

and

$$\left(\frac{wg'(w)}{(1-\gamma)w + \gamma g(w)} \right) \prec \phi(w), \quad (10)$$

where the function g is given by (4).

It is easy to see that setting $\gamma = 1$ in Definition 1 leads us to Definition 2 and putting $\mu = 0$ and $\lambda = 1$ in Definition 1 leads us to Definition 3.

We shall mention that by suitably choosing $\phi(z)$, the class $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$ reduces to interesting and important special cases. Let us give some examples.

Example 1. If we set $\phi(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$, $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$, then the class $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \phi) \equiv \mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; A, B)$ which is defined as $f \in \Sigma$,

$$(1-\lambda) \left(\frac{(1-\gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda f'(z) \left(\frac{(1-\gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu-1} \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz} \quad (11)$$

and

$$(1-\lambda) \left(\frac{(1-\gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda g'(w) \left(\frac{(1-\gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu-1} \prec \frac{1+Aw}{1+Bw}, \quad (12)$$

where the function g is given by (4).

Example 2. Letting $\phi(z) = \frac{1+(1-2\beta)z}{1-z}$, $0 \leq \beta < 1$, then the class $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \phi) \equiv \mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \beta)$ which is defined as $f \in \Sigma$,

$$\Re \left((1-\lambda) \left(\frac{(1-\gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda f'(z) \left(\frac{(1-\gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu-1} \right) > \beta \quad (13)$$

and

$$\Re \left((1-\lambda) \left(\frac{(1-\gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda g'(w) \left(\frac{(1-\gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu-1} \right) > \beta, \quad (14)$$

where the function g is given by (4).

Example 3. If we put $\phi(z) = \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{\alpha}$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, then the class $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \phi) \equiv \mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \alpha)$ which is defined as $f \in \Sigma$,

$$\left| \arg \left((1-\lambda) \left(\frac{(1-\gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda f'(z) \left(\frac{(1-\gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu-1} \right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} \quad (15)$$

and

$$\left| \arg \left((1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^\mu + \lambda g'(w) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu-1} \right) \right| < \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}, \quad (16)$$

where the function g is given by (4).

In 1967, Lewin [6] investigated the class Σ and showed that $|a_2| < 1.51$. Subsequently, Brannan and Clunie [1] conjectured that $|a_2| \leq \sqrt{2}$. On the other hand, Netanyahu [10] showed that

$$\max_{f \in \Sigma} |a_2| = \frac{4}{3}.$$

Afterwards in 1981, Styer and Wright [18] showed that there exist functions $f(z) \in \Sigma$ for which $|a_2| > \frac{4}{3}$. The best known estimate for functions in Σ has been obtained in 1984 by Tan [19], that is, $|a_2| \leq 1.485$. The coefficient estimate problem involving the bound of $|a_n|$ ($n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1, 2\}$) for each $f \in \Sigma$ given by (1) is still an open problem.

Recently, many researchers [4, 5, 7, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21], following the work of Brannan and Taha [2], introduced and investigated a lot of interesting subclasses of the bi-univalent function class Σ and they obtained non-sharp estimates of the first two Taylor-Maclaurin coefficients $|a_2|$ and $|a_3|$.

In this paper, we derive estimates on the initial coefficients $|a_2|$ and $|a_3|$ for functions belonging to the unifying subclass $\mathcal{N}_\Sigma^\mu(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$ of Σ . Several connections to earlier known results are made.

The following lemma [3] will be required in order to derive our main results.

Lemma 1. *If $h \in \mathcal{P}$, then $|c_k| \leq 2$ for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, where \mathcal{P} is the family of all functions h , analytic in \mathbb{U} , for which*

$$\Re(h(z)) > 0, \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

where

$$h(z) = 1 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + \dots \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

2. COEFFICIENT BOUNDS FOR THE FUNCTIONS CLASS $\mathcal{N}_\Sigma^\mu(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$

We begin by finding the estimates on the coefficient $|a_2|$ and $|a_3|$ for functions in the class $\mathcal{N}_\Sigma^\mu(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$.

Let ϕ be an analytic function with positive real part in the unit disk \mathbb{U} , satisfying $\phi(0) = 1$, $\phi'(0) > 0$, and $\phi(\mathbb{U})$ is symmetric with respect to the real axis. Such a function has a series expansion of the following form:

$$\phi(z) = 1 + B_1z + B_2z^2 + B_3z^3 + \dots, \quad (B_1 > 0, z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (17)$$

Define the functions p_1 and p_2 in \mathcal{P} given by

$$p_1(z) = \frac{1 + u(z)}{1 - u(z)} = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + c_3z^3 + \dots \quad (18)$$

and

$$p_2(z) = \frac{1 + v(z)}{1 - v(z)} = 1 + d_1z + d_2z^2 + d_3z^3 + \dots. \quad (19)$$

It follows that

$$u(z) = \frac{p_1(z) - 1}{p_1(z) + 1} = \frac{c_1}{2}z + \frac{1}{2} \left(c_2 - \frac{c_1^2}{2} \right) z^2 + \dots \quad (20)$$

and

$$v(z) = \frac{p_2(z) - 1}{p_2(z) + 1} = \frac{d_1}{2}z + \frac{1}{2} \left(d_2 - \frac{d_1^2}{2} \right) z^2 + \dots. \quad (21)$$

Using (20) and (21) with (17) lead us to

$$\phi(u(z)) = 1 + \frac{B_1c_1}{2}z + \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left(c_2 - \frac{c_1^2}{2} \right) B_1 + \frac{1}{4}c_1^2B_2 \right\} z^2 + \dots \quad (22)$$

and

$$\phi(v(z)) = 1 + \frac{B_1d_1}{2}z + \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left(d_2 - \frac{d_1^2}{2} \right) B_1 + \frac{1}{4}d_1^2B_2 \right\} z^2 + \dots. \quad (23)$$

The following coefficient estimates hold for functions in the class $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$.

Theorem 2. *Let $f(z) \in \mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$ be of the form (1). Then*

$$|a_2| \leq \frac{B_1\sqrt{2B_1}}{\sqrt{\left| B_1^2\Omega(\mu, \lambda, \gamma) + 2(B_1 - B_2)(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma)^2 \right|}} \quad (24)$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{B_1^2}{(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma)^2} + \frac{B_1}{|3\lambda + \mu\gamma - \gamma\lambda|} \quad (25)$$

where

$$\Omega(\mu, \lambda, \gamma) = 4\mu\gamma\lambda - 6\gamma\lambda - 2\mu\gamma^2\lambda + 2\lambda\gamma^2 - \mu\gamma^2 + \mu^2\gamma^2 + 6\lambda + 2\mu\gamma \quad (26)$$

and the coefficients B_1 and B_2 are given as in (17).

Proof. Let $f \in \mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$. Then there are analytic functions $u, v : \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{U}$, with $u(0) = v(0) = 0$, satisfying

$$(1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda f'(z) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu-1} \prec \phi(z) \quad (27)$$

and

$$(1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu} + \lambda g'(w) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu-1} \prec \phi(w), \quad (28)$$

where $g(w) := f^{-1}(w)$.

Now, equating the coefficients in (22), (23), (27) and (28), we obtain

$$(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma) a_2 = \frac{B_1 c_1}{2}, \quad (29)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}\gamma(\mu - 1)(4\lambda + \mu\gamma - 2\gamma\lambda) a_2^2 + (3\lambda + \mu\gamma - \gamma\lambda) a_3 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(c_2 - \frac{c_1^2}{2} \right) B_1 + \frac{1}{4} c_1^2 B_2, \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

$$-(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma) a_2 = \frac{B_1 d_1}{2}, \quad (31)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}\gamma(\mu - 1)(4\lambda + \mu\gamma - 2\gamma\lambda) a_2^2 + (3\lambda + \mu\gamma - \gamma\lambda) (2a_2^2 - a_3) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(c_2 - \frac{c_1^2}{2} \right) B_1 + \frac{1}{4} c_1^2 B_2, \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

From (29) and (31), we find that

$$c_1 = -d_1. \quad (33)$$

Adding (30) and (32) and then using (33), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (4\mu\gamma\lambda - 6\gamma\lambda - 2\mu\gamma^2\lambda + 2\lambda\gamma^2 - \mu\gamma^2 + \mu^2\gamma^2 + 6\lambda + 2\mu\gamma)a_2^2 \\ &= \frac{c_1^2}{2}(B_2 - B_1) + \frac{B_1}{2}(c_2 + d_2). \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

For the sake of brevity, we will use the notation given in (26).

Now, using the notation defined above and combining (29) and (34), we obtain

$$a_2^2 = \frac{B_1^3(c_2 + d_2)}{2[B_1^2\Omega(\mu, \lambda, \gamma) + 2(B_1 - B_2)(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma)^2]}. \quad (35)$$

Applying Lemma 1 for the coefficients c_2 and d_2 , we find

$$|a_2|^2 \leq \frac{2B_1^3}{[B_1^2\Omega(\mu, \lambda, \gamma) + 2(B_1 - B_2)(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma)^2]} \quad (36)$$

and thus

$$|a_2| \leq \frac{B_1\sqrt{2B_1}}{\sqrt{[B_1^2\Omega(\mu, \lambda, \gamma) + 2(B_1 - B_2)(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma)^2]}}, \quad (37)$$

where $\Omega(\mu, \lambda, \gamma)$ is given by (26).

Similarly, upon subtracting (32) from (30), we get

$$2(3\lambda + \mu\gamma - \gamma\lambda)(a_3 - a_2^2) = \frac{1}{2}B_1(d_2 - c_2). \quad (38)$$

It follows from (29) and (38) that

$$a_3 = \frac{B_1^2 c_1^2}{4(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma)^2} + \frac{B_1(d_2 - c_2)}{4(3\lambda + \mu\gamma - \gamma\lambda)}. \quad (39)$$

Finally, applying Lemma 1 for the coefficients c_1 , c_2 and d_2 , we readily obtain

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{B_1^2}{(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma)^2} + \frac{B_1}{|(3\lambda + \mu\gamma - \gamma\lambda)|}. \quad (40)$$

3. COROLLARIES AND CONSEQUENCES

This section is devoted to the presentation of some interesting special cases of Theorem 1.

Let $\phi(z) = \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^\alpha$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ($B_1 = 2\alpha$, $B_2 = 2\alpha^2$), in Theorem 1. Then, the class $\mathcal{N}_\Sigma^\mu(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$ reduces to $\mathcal{N}_\Sigma^\mu(\lambda, \gamma; \alpha)$ given in Example 3 and thus, we get the following corollary:

Corollary 3. *Let $f(z) \in \mathcal{N}_\Sigma^\mu(\lambda, \gamma; \alpha)$ be of the form (1). Then*

$$|a_2| \leq \frac{2\alpha}{\sqrt{|\alpha\Omega(\mu, \lambda, \gamma) - (\alpha - 1)(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma)^2|}} \quad (41)$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{4\alpha^2}{(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma)^2} + \frac{2\alpha}{|3\lambda + \mu\gamma - \gamma\lambda|} \quad (42)$$

where $\Omega(\mu, \lambda, \gamma)$ is given by (26).

Now, if we set $\phi(z) = \frac{1 + (1 - 2\beta)z}{1 - z}$, $0 \leq \beta < 1$ ($B_1 = B_2 = 2 - 2\beta$), in Theorem 1, then the class $\mathcal{N}_\Sigma^\mu(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$ reduces to $\mathcal{N}_\Sigma^\mu(\lambda, \gamma; \beta)$ given in Example 2 and then we obtain the following corollary:

Corollary 4.

$$|a_2| \leq \sqrt{\frac{2(1 - \beta)}{|\Omega(\mu, \lambda, \gamma)|}} \quad (43)$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{4(1 - \beta)^2}{(2\lambda - \gamma\lambda + \mu\gamma)^2} + \frac{2(1 - \beta)}{|3\lambda + \mu\gamma - \gamma\lambda|} \quad (44)$$

where $\Omega(\mu, \lambda, \gamma)$ is given by (26).

Numerous other (presumably new) corollaries and consequences of our main result can also be deduced by specializing the different parameters involved in the class $\mathcal{N}_\Sigma^\mu(\lambda, \gamma; \phi)$. For example, letting $\lambda = 1$ in Theorem 1 leads us to the following corollary:

Corollary 5. Let $f(z) \in \mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(1, \gamma; \phi)$ be of the form (1). Then

$$|a_2| \leq \frac{B_1 \sqrt{2B_1}}{\sqrt{\left| B_1^2 \left[6 + \gamma(\mu - 1)(\gamma(\mu - 2) + 6) \right] + 2(B_1 - B_2)(2 - \gamma + \mu\gamma)^2 \right|}} \quad (45)$$

and

$$|a_3| \leq \frac{B_1^2}{(2 - \gamma + \mu\gamma)^2} + \frac{B_1}{(3 + \mu\gamma - \gamma)} \quad (46)$$

where the coefficients B_1 and B_2 are given as in (17).

The class $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(1, \gamma; \phi)$ is explicitly defined as follows:

Definition 4. A function $f \in \Sigma$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{N}_{\Sigma}^{\mu}(1, \gamma; \phi)$, $\mu \geq 0$ and $0 \leq \gamma \leq 1$, if the following subordinations hold:

$$f'(z) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)z + \gamma f(z)}{z} \right)^{\mu - 1} \prec \phi(z) \quad (47)$$

and

$$g'(w) \left(\frac{(1 - \gamma)w + \gamma g(w)}{w} \right)^{\mu - 1} \prec \phi(w), \quad (48)$$

where the function g is given by (4).

Obviously, by setting $\gamma = 1$ in Theorem 1, we recover the result obtained by Srivastava *et al.* [13]. Also, letting $\mu = 0$ and $\lambda = 1$ in Theorem 1, we find the result given recently by Peng *et al.* [11].

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