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Algorithm Theory

13 Text Search - Knuth, Morris, Pratt, Boyer,
Moore

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Text Search

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Text Search

Data type **string**

- array of character
- file of character
- list of character

Operations: (T, P of type **string**)

length: length ()

***i*-th character :** T [i]

concatenation: cat (T, P) T.P

Problem Definition

Given:

Text $t_1 t_2 \dots t_n \in \Sigma^n$

pattern $p_1 p_2 \dots p_m \in \Sigma^m$

Goal:

Find one or all occurrences of the pattern in the text, i.e.
positions i ($0 \leq i \leq n - m$) such that

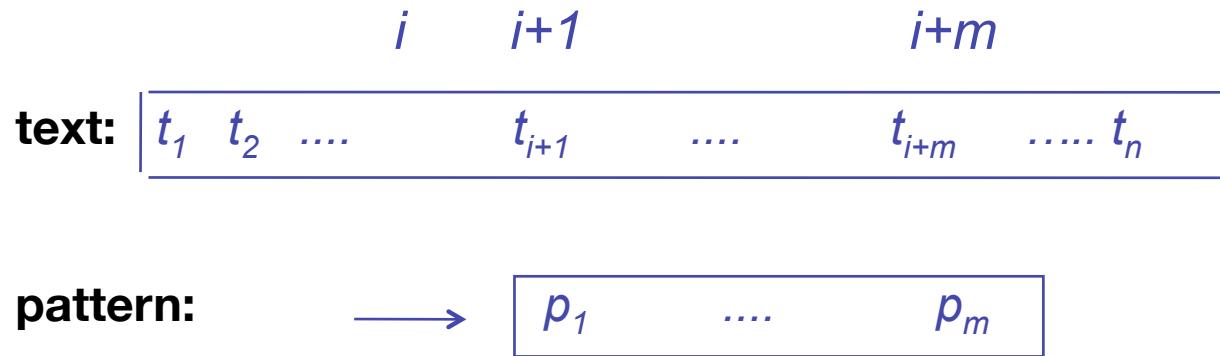
$$p_1 = t_{i+1}$$

$$p_2 = t_{i+2}$$

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$$p_m = t_{i+m}$$

Problem Definition



Possible Running Time :

1. Worst Solution:

possible alignments: $n - m + 1$

pattern positions: m

$\rightarrow O(n m)$

2. Best possible solution:

At least one comparison per m consecutive text positions:

$\rightarrow \Omega(m + n/m)$

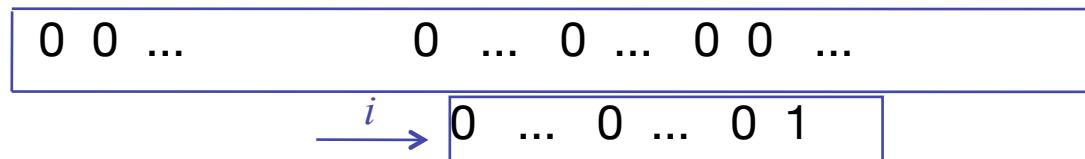
Naive Method

For each possible position $0 \leq i \leq n - m$ check at most m characters pairs. Whenever a mismatch occurs, shift to the next position

```
textsearchbf := proc (T :: string, P :: string)
# Input: text T, pattern P
# Output: list L of positions i, at which P occurs in T
    n := length (T); m := length (P);
    L := [];
    for i from 0 to n-m do
        j := 1;
        while j ≤ m and T[i+j] = P[j]
            do j := j+1 od;
            if j = m+1 then L := [L [] , i] fi;
        od;
        RETURN (L)
end;
```

Naive Method

Running time:



Worst Case: $\Omega(m n)$

For real world examples, mismatches occur usually very often.

→ Running time $\sim c n$

Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm (KMP)

Let t_i and p_{j+1} be the characters to be compared:

t_1	t_2	\dots	\dots	t_i	\dots	\dots
=	=	=	=	≠		
p_1	\dots	p_j	p_{j+1}	\dots	p_m	

If, for a certain alignment, the first mismatch occurs for characters t_i and p_{j+1} then

- the last j characters compared in T equal the first j characters of P
- $t_i \neq p_{j+1}$

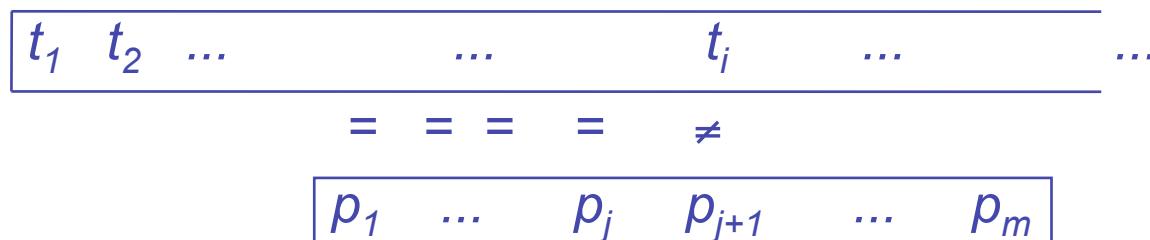
Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm (KMP)

Idea:

Find $j' = \text{next}[j] < j$ such that t_i can then be compared to $p_{j'+1}$

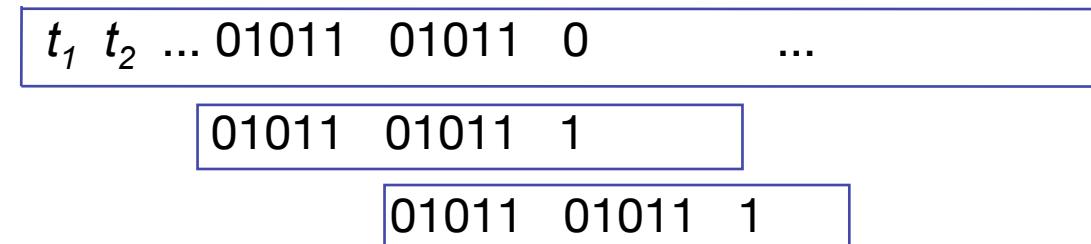
Find maximum $j' < j$ such that $P_{1\dots j} = P_{j-j'+1\dots j'}$

Find the longest prefix of P which is a proper suffix of $P_{1\dots j}$.



Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm (KMP)

Example for determining next[j]:



$\text{next}[j] = \text{length of the longest prefix of } P \text{ which is a proper suffix of } P_{1 \dots j}$

Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm (KMP)

⇒ for $P = 0101101011$, $\text{next} = [0,0,1,2,0,1,2,3,4,5]$:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
		0							
		0	1						
				0					
					0				
						0			
							0		
								0	
									1

Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm (KMP)

```
KMP := proc (T :: string, P :: string)
# Input: text T, pattern P
# Output: list L of positions i at which P occurs in T
    n := length (T); m := length(P);
    L := []; next := KMPnext(P);
    j := 0;
    for i from 1 to n do
        while j>0 and T[i] <> P[j+1] do j := next [j] od;
        if T[i] = P[j+1] then j := j+1 fi;
        if j = m then L := [L[], i-m];
            j := next [j]
        fi;
    od;
    RETURN (L);
end;
```

Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm (KMP)

Pattern: abrakadabra, next = [0,0,0,1,0,1,0,1,2,3,4]

a b r a k a d a b r a b r a b a b r a k ...
| | | | | | | | | |
a b r a k a d a b r a
next[11] = 4

a b r a k a d a b r a b r a b r a b a b r a k ...
| | | | |
a b r a k a d a b r a
next[4] = 1

Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm (KMP)

a b r a k a d a b r a b r a b a b r a k ...

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a b r a k

next [4] = 1

a b r a k a d a b r a b r a b a b r a k ...

- | |

a b r a k

next[2] = 0

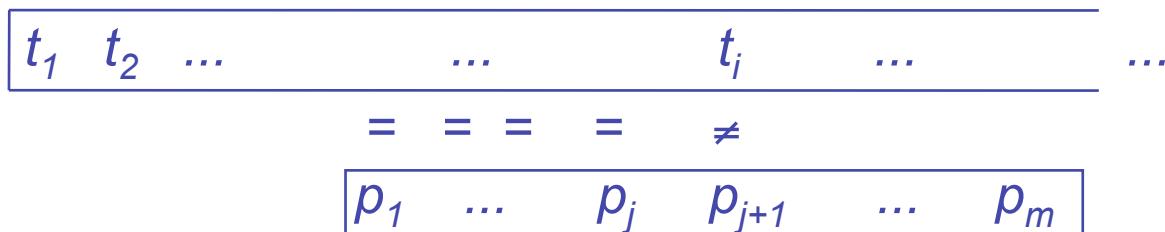
a b r a k a d a b r a b r a b a b r a k ...

| | | | |

a b r a k

Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm (KMP)

Correctness:



When starting the for-loop:

$$P_{1\dots j} = T_{i-j\dots i-1} \text{ und } j \neq m$$

if $j = 0$: we are located at the first character of P

if $j \neq 0$: P can be shifted while $j > 0$ and $t_i \neq p_{j+1}$

Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm (KMP)

If $T[i] = P[j+1]$, j and i can be increased (at the end of the loop)

If P has been compared completely ($j = m$) an occurrence of P in T has been found and we can shift to the next position.

Knuth-Morris-Pratt Algorithm (KMP)

Running time:

- text pointer i will be never decreased
- text pointer i and pattern pointer j are always incremented together: $\text{next}[j] < j$;
 j can be decreased only as many times as it has been increased

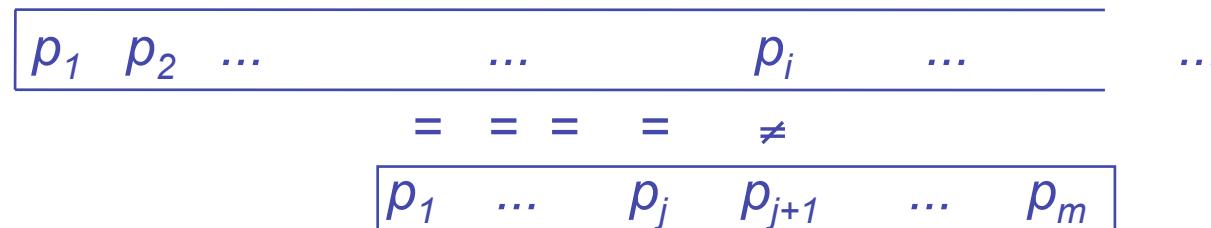
If the next-array is known, KMP runs in time $O(n)$.

Computation of Array *next*

$\text{next}[i]$ = length of the longest prefix of P which is a proper suffix of $P_1 \dots_i$

$$\text{next}[1] = 0$$

Let $\text{next}[i-1] = j$:



Computation of Array *next*

Consider the following two cases

1) $p_i = p_{j+1} \rightarrow \text{next}[i] = j + 1$

2) $p_i \neq p_{j+1} \rightarrow \text{replace } j \text{ by } \text{next}[j] \text{ until } p_i = p_{j+1} \text{ or } j = 0.$

if $p_i = p_{j+1}$ then $\text{next}[i] = j + 1$ otherwise $\text{next}[i] = 0$.

Computation of Array *next*

```
KMPnext := proc (P :: string)
#Input  : pattern P
#Output : next-array for P
    m := length (P);
    next := array (1..m);
    next [1] := 0;
    j := 0;
    for i from 2 to m do
        while j > 0 and P[i] <> P[j+1]
            do j := next [j] od;
        if P[i] = P[j+1] then j := j+1 fi;
        next [i] := j
    od;
    RETURN (next);
end;
```

Run Time of KMP

The KMP-algorithm runs in time $O(n+m)$.

Can text search be any faster?

The Boyer-Moore-Algorithm (BM)

Idea: For any alignment of the pattern with the text, scan the characters from right to left rather than from left to right

Example:

he said abrakadabut but
| | | | | | | |
but but but but but but but but but

Large jumps and few comparisons

Desired running time: $O(m+n/m)$

BM – Last-Occurrence Function

For $c \in \Sigma$ and pattern P let

$\delta(c) :=$ index of the right-most occurrence of c in P

$$= \max \{j \mid p_j = c\}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } c \notin P \\ j & \text{if } c = p \text{ and } c \neq p, \text{ for } j < k \leq m \end{cases}$$

How hard is it to compute all values of δ ?

Let $|\Sigma| = l$: Running time: $O(m+l)$

BM – Last-Occurrence Function

Let

c = the character causing the mismatch

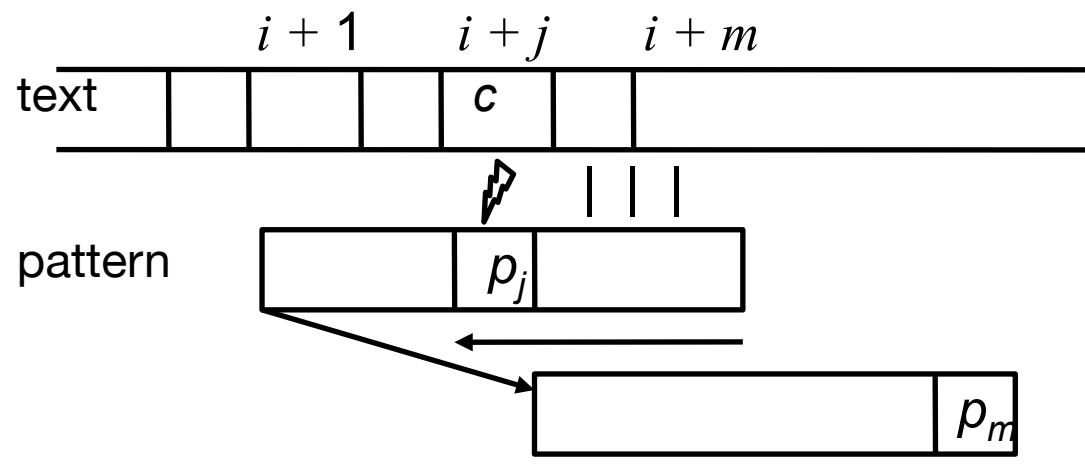
j = the index of the current character in the pattern ($c \neq p_j$)

BM – Last-Occurrence Function

Computation of the pattern shift

Case 1 c does not occur in the pattern P ($\delta(c) = 0$)

Shift the pattern j characters to the right

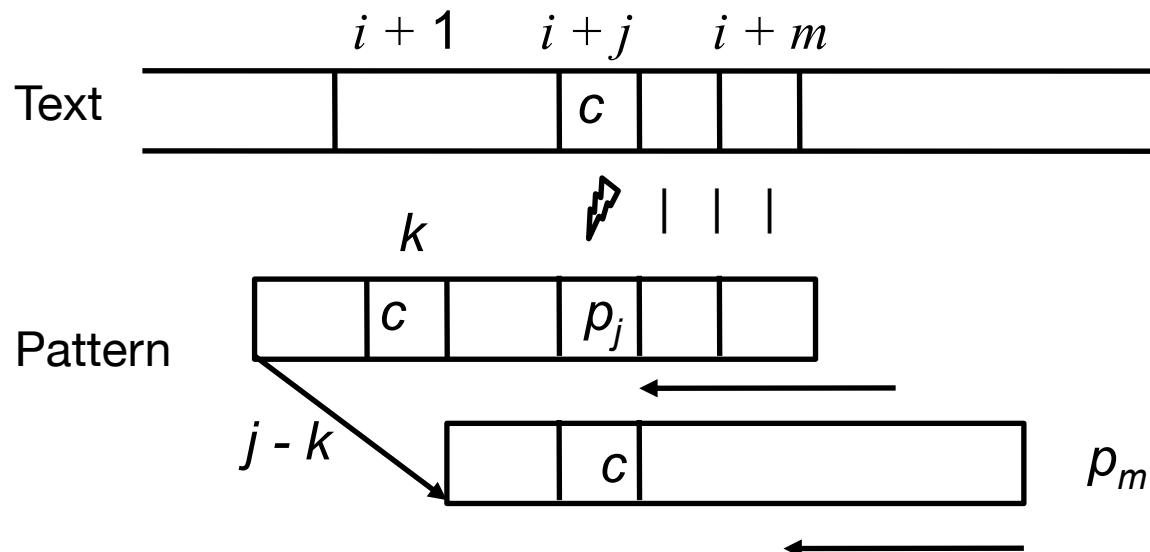


$$\Delta(i) = j$$

BM – Last-Occurrence Function

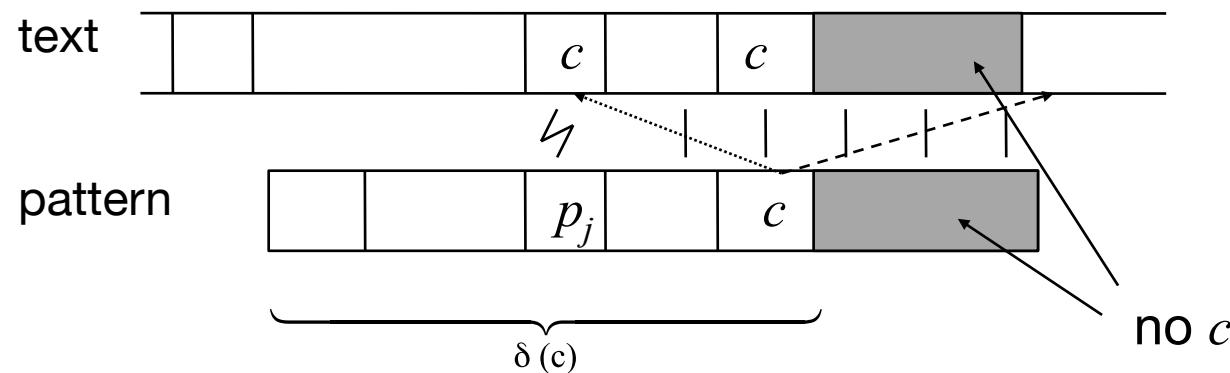
Case 2 c occurs in the pattern. ($\delta(c) \neq 0$)

Shift the pattern to the right until the rightmost c in the pattern
is aligned with a potential c in the text.



BM – Last-Occurrence Function

Case 2 a: $\delta(c) > j$

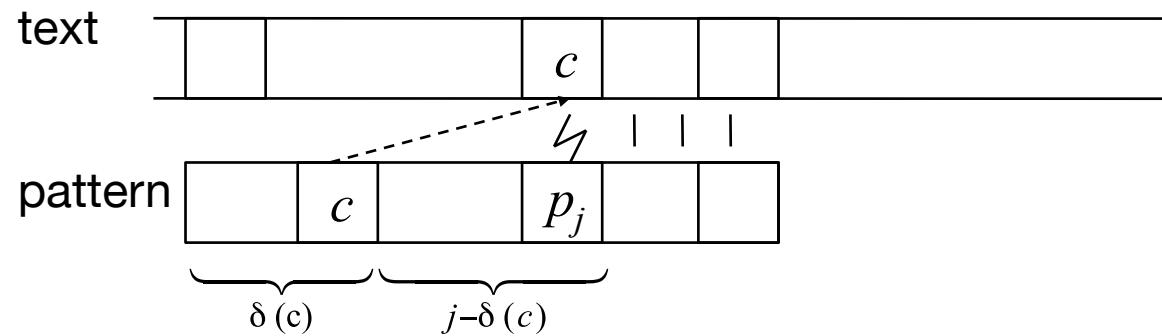


Shift the rightmost c in the pattern to a potential c in the text

$$\text{shift by } \Delta(i) = m - \delta(c) + 1$$

BM – Last-Occurrence Function

Case 2 b: $\delta(c) < j$



Shift the rightmost c in the pattern to c in the text

$$\text{shift by } \Delta(i) = j - \delta(c)$$

Boyer-Moore Algorithm

Version 1

Algorithm *BM-search1*

Input: text T and pattern P

Output: all positions of P in T

1 $n := \text{length}(T)$; $m := \text{length}(P)$

2 compute δ

3 $i := 0$

4 **while** $i \leq n - m$ **do**

5 $j := m$

6 **while** $j > 0$ **and** $P[j] = T[i + j]$ **do**

7 $j := j - 1$

end while;

8 **if** $j = 0$
9 **then** output position i
10 $i := i + 1$
11 **else if** $\delta(T[i + j]) > j$
12 **then** $i := i + m + 1 - \delta[T[i + j]]$
13 **else** $i := i + j - \delta[T[i + j]]$
14 **end while;**

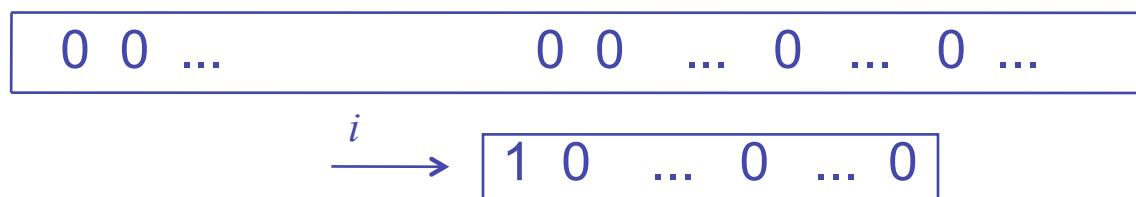
Boyer-Moore Algorithm

Version 1

Analysis:

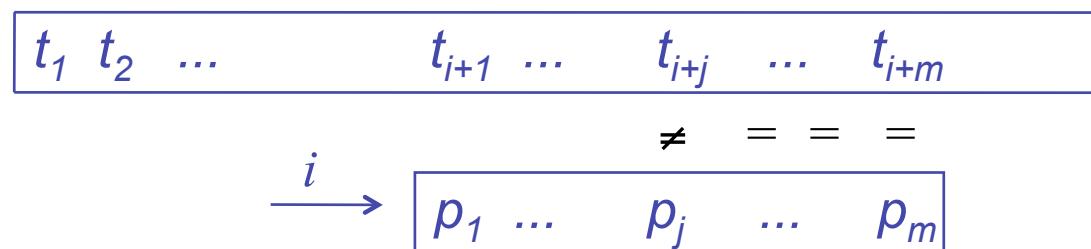
Desired running time : $O(m + n/m)$

Worst-case running time: $\Omega(n m)$



Match Heuristic

Use the information collected before a mismatch $p_j \neq t_{i+j}$ occurs.



$gsf[j]$ = position of the end of the next occurrence of the suffix

$P_{j+1 \dots m}$ from the right that is not preceded by character P_j
(good suffix function)

Possible shift: $\gamma[j] = m - gsf[j]$

Example for Computing gsf

$gsf[j]$ = position of the end of the closest occurrence of the suffix $P_{j+1} \dots m$
from the right that is not preceded by character P_j

Pattern: banana

$gsf[j]$	inspected suffix	forbidden character	Other matches	Position
$gsf[5]$	a	n	<u>banana</u> — — —	2
$gsf[4]$	na	a	*** <u>bana na</u>	0
$gsf[3]$	ana	n	<u>banana</u> — —	4
$gsf[2]$	nana	a	<u>banana</u>	0
$gsf[1]$	anana	b	<u>banana</u>	0
$gsf[0]$	banana	ϵ	<u>banana</u>	0

Example for Computing gsf

$\Rightarrow gsf(\text{banana}) = [0,0,0,4,0,2]$

```
a b a a b a b a n a n a n a n a  
≠ = = =  
b a n a n a  
b a n a n a
```

Boyer-Moore Algorithm

Version 2

Algorithm *BM-search2*

Input: text T and pattern P

Output: shift for all occurrences of P in T

1 $n := \text{length}(T); m := \text{length}(P)$

2 compute δ and γ

3 $i := 0$

4 **while** $i \leq n - m$ **do**

5 $j := m$

6 **while** $j > 0$ **and** $P[j] = T[i + j]$ **do**

7 $j := j - 1$

end while;

8 **if** $j = 0$

9 **then** output position i

10 $i := i + \gamma[0]$

11 **else** $i := i + \max(\gamma[j], j - \delta[T[i + j]])$

12 **end while;**



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