

Step 2 : φ is a covering map

We need to show that $\forall y \in N, \exists$ nbd. U of y in N such that $\varphi^{-1}(U) = \bigcup_i W_i$ with

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bullet W_i \cap W_j = \emptyset \text{ for } i \neq j \\ \bullet \varphi: W_i \rightarrow U \text{ is a diffeomorphism} \end{array} \right.$$

Pf of Step 2

$\forall y \in N, \exists \delta > 0$ such that

$\exp_y^N = B^N(\delta) \rightarrow B_\delta^N$ is a diffeomorphism

where $B^N(\delta) = \{v \in T_y N : |v|_N < \delta\}$

$B_\delta^N = \{z \in N : d_N(z, y) < \delta\}$.

Since φ is a local isom. & hence a local diffeo;

$\varphi^{-1}(y)$ is a discrete set in M . Let $\varphi^{-1}(y) = \{x_i\}_{i \in \Lambda}$

for some index set Λ , and denote

$\tilde{B}_\delta^i(\delta) = B^M(x_i, \delta) = \{v \in T_{x_i} M : |v|_M < \delta\}$

$B_\delta^i = B_\delta^N(x_i) = \{z \in N : d_N(z, x_i) < \delta\}$

Claim : (i) $\varphi^{-1}(B_\delta^N) = \bigcup_i B_\delta^i$

(ii) $\forall i, \varphi: B_\delta^i \rightarrow B_\delta^N$ is a diffeo.

(iii) $\forall i \neq j, B_\delta^i \cap B_\delta^j = \emptyset$.

Pf of (i): It is clear that $\bigcup_i B_\delta^i \subset \varphi^{-1}(B_\delta^N)$

since φ is a local isom. Conversely, for $z \in \varphi^{-1}(B_\delta^N)$,

we have $\varphi(z) \in B_\delta^N$. By the choice of $\delta > 0$, \exists unique geodesic $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow B_\delta^N$ such that

$$\gamma(0) = \varphi(z) \quad \& \quad \gamma(1) = y.$$

Then by the argument in the proof of Step 1,

\exists a geodesic $\tilde{\gamma}: [0, 1] \rightarrow M$ such that

$$\tilde{\gamma}(0) = z \quad \& \quad \varphi(\tilde{\gamma}(t)) = \gamma(t), \quad \forall t.$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(\tilde{\gamma}(1)) = \gamma(1) = y$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}(1) \in \varphi^{-1}(y) = \{x_i\}_{i \in \Lambda}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}(1) = x_i \text{ for some } i \in \Lambda.$$

Again, using $\varphi = \text{local isom.}$, we have

$$\text{Length}_M(\tilde{\gamma}) = \text{length}_N(\gamma) < \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}(0) = z \text{ has a distance} < \delta \text{ to } x_i$$

$$\Rightarrow z \in \overline{B_\delta^i} \subset \bigcup_i \overline{B_\delta^i}.$$

This proves (i).

Pf of (ii) : By the note in Step 1, we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \overline{B_\delta^i} & \xrightarrow{d\varphi} & \overline{B_\delta^N} \\ \exp_{x_i}^M \downarrow & \cong & \downarrow \exp_y^N \\ \overline{B_\delta^i} & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \overline{B_\delta^N} \end{array} \quad (\text{since } \varphi = \text{local isom.})$$

$$\text{i.e. } \varphi \circ \exp_{x_i}^M = \exp_y^N \circ d\varphi.$$

By the choice of $\delta > 0$, \exp_y^N and $d\varphi$ are diffeomorphisms. Hence $\exp_{x_i}^M$ has to be an immersion. On the other hand $\exp_{x_i}^M: \overline{B_\delta^i} \rightarrow \overline{B_\delta^i}$ is surjective (since M is complete), therefore we have

$$\varphi = \exp_y^N \circ d\varphi \circ (\exp_{x_i}^M)^{-1}$$

which is a diffeomorphism. This proves (ii).

Pf of (iii) = Let $i \neq j \in \Lambda$. Suppose that $\overline{B_\delta^i} \cap \overline{B_\delta^j} \neq \emptyset$.

Then $\exists z \in \overline{B_\delta^i} \cap \overline{B_\delta^j}$. Using (ii), \exists geodesics

$$\tilde{\gamma}_i \in B_\delta^{\tilde{\gamma}} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\gamma}_j \in B_\delta^{\tilde{\gamma}}$$

joining ζ to x_i & x_j respectively.

Then $\varphi(\tilde{\gamma}_i) \in \varphi(\tilde{\gamma}_j)$ are geodesics in B_δ^N

joining $\varphi(\zeta)$ and $\varphi(x_i) = y = \varphi(x_j)$.

$\Rightarrow \varphi(\tilde{\gamma}_i) = \varphi(\tilde{\gamma}_j) = \gamma$ the unique geodesic in B_δ^N joining $\varphi(\zeta)$ to y .

Therefore $\tilde{\gamma}_i, \tilde{\gamma}_j$ are both liftings of γ passing thro a common point ζ , we have $\tilde{\gamma}_i = \tilde{\gamma}_j$.

$\Rightarrow x_i = \tilde{\gamma}_i(1) = \tilde{\gamma}_j(1) = x_j$ contradiction.

This proves (iii).

By this claim, B_δ^N is the required (uniform) nbd. of y . $\therefore \varphi$ is a covering map. \times

Lemma 9: Let $\bullet M$ = complete Riem. mfd.

- $x \in M$ s.t.
- $\exp_x: T_x M \rightarrow M$ has no conjugate point.

Then \exp_x is a covering map.

Pf: let $g = \text{Riem. metric on } M$.

Denote $\tilde{g} = (\exp_x)^* g$ be the pull-back metric of g by \exp_x on $T_x M$. (since \exp_x has "no conjugate point")

i.e. $\tilde{g}(X, Y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} g((d\exp_x)(X), (d\exp_x)(Y))$
 $\forall X, Y \in \Gamma(T_x M)$

Claim: \tilde{g} is a complete metric on $T_x M$.

Pf of claim: Note that Euclidean rays (from 0)

in $T_x M$ can be parametrized by

$$\tilde{\gamma} : [0, \infty) \xrightarrow{\psi} T_x M \quad (\text{for some } v \in T_x M)$$

$$t \mapsto t v$$

By def. of \exp_x , $\exp_x(\tilde{\gamma}(t))$ is a geodesic in M starting at x . Therefore, by definition of

$\tilde{g} = (\exp_x)^* g$, $\tilde{\gamma}(t)$ is a geodesic of \tilde{g} starting from 0. This implies geodesic from $0 \in T_x M$ is defined $\forall t \in [0, \infty)$. Hence

$$\exp_0^{T_x M} : T_0(T_x M) \rightarrow (T_x M, \tilde{g})$$

is defined on the whole $T_0(T_x M)$. Therefore

Hopf-Rinow Thm $\Rightarrow (T_x M, \tilde{g})$ is complete.

This proves the claim.

Now by the claim and the assumption that \exp_x has no conjugate point, $\exp_x : (T_x M, \tilde{g}) \rightarrow (M, g)$ is a local isometry from a complete Riem. mfd.

Therefore, Lemma 8 $\Rightarrow \exp_x : T_x M \rightarrow M$ is a covering.

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Pf of (2) of Cartan-Hadamard:

By Lemma 9, $\exp_x : T_x M \rightarrow M$ is a covering. Together with the assumption that M is simply-connected, we have proved that \exp_x is a diffeomorphism.

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Thm 10 Let $M, N =$ simply-connected n -dim'l space forms with constant sectional curvature K . Let $x \in M$ and $y \in N$ and $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\} \subset T_x M$ and $\{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n\} \subset T_y N$ are orthonormal bases respectively. Then \exists unique isometry $\varphi : M \rightarrow N$ such that

$$\begin{cases} \varphi(x) = y & \text{and} \\ d\varphi(e_i) = e_i^-, + e^+ \end{cases}$$

Note: Thm 10 \Rightarrow uniqueness of the Thm in Ch 5.

We need the following lemma 11 & 12:

- Lemma 11: Let
- M = n-dim'l space form
 - constant sectional curvature K
 - $x \in M$, $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\} \subset T_x M$ ortho. basis.

Then the curvature tensor satisfies

$$R_{e_i e_j} e_k = K (\delta_{ik} e_j - \delta_{jk} e_i), \quad \forall i, j, k = 1, \dots, n.$$

Pf: Define \tilde{R} by the RHS ie

$$\tilde{R}_{e_i e_j} e_k \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} K (\delta_{ik} e_j - \delta_{jk} e_i)$$

Then \tilde{R} can be extended to a tensor (Ex!) satisfying all the symmetric properties of the curvature tensor (ie. (1)-(4) as Lemma 1 of §3.3) (Ex!)

Furthermore, for tangent vectors v & w with $|v|=|w|=1$ and $\langle v, w \rangle = 0$, one has $\langle \tilde{R}_{vw} v, w \rangle = K$ (Ex!)

Therefore Lemma 2 of §3.3 $\Rightarrow \tilde{R} = R$. ~~XX~~

Lemma 12: Same assumption as in Lemma 11

Let $\bullet v \in T_x M$ with $|v|=1$

$\bullet v^\perp$ = orthogonal complement of v

Then $R_{v w} v = \begin{cases} Kw, & \text{if } w \in v^\perp \\ 0, & \text{if } w = cv, \text{ for some } c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases}$

(Pf: straight forward from Lemma 11.)

Pf of Thm 10: It is clear that we only need to show the cases of $K=0, +1$ or -1 . And we may assume $M = \mathbb{R}^n, S^n$ or H^n .

Case 1: $K=0$ or -1

Since $K \leq 0$, Cartan-Hadamard \Rightarrow

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \exp_x^M : T_x M \rightarrow M \\ \exp_y^N : T_y N \rightarrow N \end{array} \right.$ are diffeomorphisms.

Let $\Phi: T_x M \rightarrow T_y N$ be the unique isometry between the inner product spaces $T_x M$ & $T_y N$ such that

$$\Phi(e_i) = \varepsilon_i, \quad \forall i=1,\dots,n.$$

Define $\varphi: M \rightarrow N$ by

$$\varphi = \exp_y^N \circ \Phi \circ (\exp_x^M)^{-1}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_x M & \xrightarrow{\Phi} & T_y N \\ \exp_x^M \downarrow & & \downarrow \exp_y^N \\ M & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & N \end{array}$$

Clearly φ is a diffeomorphism. We need to show that φ is an isometry. i.e. $\forall z \in M$ and $\bar{x} \in T_z M$,

we have

$$|d\varphi(\bar{x})|_N = |\bar{x}|_M.$$

By Cartan-Hadamard,

$$\exists T \in T_x M \quad \text{and} \quad w \in T_T(T_x M) \cong T_x M \text{ s.t.}$$

$$z = \exp_x^M(T) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{x} = (d\exp_x^M)_T(w)$$

Then we can define a 1-parameter family of geodesics

$$\gamma_u(t) = \exp_x^M [t(T+uw)].$$

Let $\mathcal{U}(t)$ = transversal vector field of γ_u along γ_0 .

Then $\mathcal{U}(t)$ is a Jacobi field s.t.

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{U}(0) = 0 \\ \mathcal{U}'(0) = w \end{cases}$$

and further $\mathcal{U}(1) = (\exp_x^M)_T(w) = \bar{x}$.

In N , we define correspondingly

$$\gamma_u^N(t) = \exp_y^N \left[t(\bar{\Phi}(T) + u\bar{\Phi}(w)) \right]$$

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{U}^N(t)$ = transversal vector field of $\{\gamma_u^N\}$
along γ_0^N .

Then \mathcal{U}^N is a Jacobi field along $\gamma_0^N \subset N$ s.t

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{U}^N(0) = 0 \\ (\mathcal{U}^N)'(0) = \bar{\Phi}(w). \end{cases}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\gamma_u(t)) &= [\exp_y^N \circ \bar{\Phi} \circ (\exp_x^M)^{-1}] (\exp_x^M [t(T+uw)]) \\ &= \exp_y^N \circ \bar{\Phi}(t(T+uw)) \\ &= \exp_y^N [t(\bar{\Phi}(T) + u\bar{\Phi}(w))] = \gamma_u^N(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow d\varphi(\mathcal{U}(t)) = \mathcal{U}^N(t) \quad (\text{by differentiation})$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{U}^N(1) = d\varphi(\mathcal{U}(1)) = d\varphi(\mathbf{x}).$$

Therefore, we need to show that

$$|\mathcal{U}^N(1)|_N = |\mathcal{U}(1)|_M.$$

To see this, we use parallel orthonormal frames

$\{e_1(t), \dots, e_n(t)\}$ & $\{\xi_1(t), \dots, \xi_n(t)\}$ along γ_0 and γ_0^N respectively such that

$$\begin{cases} e_i(0) = e_i \\ \xi_i(0) = \xi_i \end{cases} \quad \forall i=1, \dots, n.$$

Then $\begin{cases} \mathcal{U}(t) = \sum_i f_i(t) e_i(t) & \text{for some functions} \\ \mathcal{U}^N(t) = \sum_i g_i(t) \xi_i(t) & f_i(t), g_i(t). \end{cases}$

Furthermore, $\mathcal{U}(0)=0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{U}'(0)=w \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{cases} f_i'(0) = 0 \\ f_i'(0) = \langle w, e_i \rangle \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} (\text{by Lemma 12}) \\ (\text{Ex!}) \end{matrix}$$

$$\therefore f_i'' + \sum_j f_j K [|\mathbf{T}|^2 \delta_{ij} - \langle \mathbf{T}, e_i \rangle \langle \mathbf{T}, e_j \rangle] = 0.$$

$$(*) \quad \begin{cases} f_i(0) = 0 \\ f'_i(0) = \langle w, e_i \rangle \end{cases}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{cases} g''_i + \sum_j g_j K \left[|\Phi(T)|^2 \delta_{ij} - \langle \Phi(T), \varepsilon_i \rangle \langle \Phi(T), \varepsilon_j \rangle \right] = 0 \\ g_i(0) = 0 \\ g'_i(0) = \langle \Phi(w), \varepsilon_i \rangle \end{cases}$$

Using the fact Φ is an isometry (between inner product spaces $T_x M$ & $T_y N$) we have

$$\begin{cases} |\Phi(T)|^2 = |T|^2 \\ \langle \Phi(T), \varepsilon_i \rangle = \langle \Phi(T), \Phi(e_i) \rangle = \langle T, e_i \rangle \\ \langle \Phi(w), \varepsilon_i \rangle = \langle w, e_i \rangle \end{cases}$$

$\therefore \{f_i\} \& \{g_i\}$ satisfy the same IVP of an ODE system (*), therefore $f_i = g_i, \forall t, i=1, \dots, n$.

Hence $|\zeta^N(t)|^2 = \sum_i g_i^2(t) = \sum_i f_i^2(t) = |\zeta(t)|^2$

This proves the case that $K=0$ or -1 .

Case of $K = +1$

We may assume $M = S^n$

If $\bar{x} = -x$ (the antipodal point of x), then

$(\exp_x^M)^{-1} : S^n \setminus \{\bar{x}\} \rightarrow T_x S^n$ is well-defined.

Therefore, we can define similarly the map

$$\varphi = \exp_y^N \circ \Phi \circ (\exp_x^M)^{-1} : S^n \setminus \{\bar{x}\} \rightarrow N.$$

Similar argument shows that φ is a local isometry

Observes that $\forall z \in S^n \setminus \{x, \bar{x}\}$, we still have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_z S^n & \xrightarrow{d\varphi} & T_{\varphi(z)} N \\ (\exp_z^M)^{-1} \uparrow & \Downarrow & \downarrow \exp_{\varphi(z)}^N \\ S^n \setminus \{\bar{x}, \bar{z}\} & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & N \end{array} \quad \left(\text{as } \varphi \text{ is a local isom.} \right)$$

Note that $d\varphi|_{T_z S^n} : T_z S^n \rightarrow T_{\varphi(z)} N$ is an inner product space isometry, same argument above implies

that $\psi : S^n \setminus \{\bar{z}\} \rightarrow N$ defined by

$$\psi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \exp_{\varphi(z)}^N \circ \left(d\varphi \Big|_{T_z S^n} \right) \circ \left(\exp_z^{S^n} \right)^{-1}$$

is a local isometry. By the above commutative diagram, $\forall p \in S^n \setminus \{\bar{x}, \bar{z}\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(p) &= \exp_{\varphi(z)}^N \circ d\varphi \circ (\exp_z^{S^n})^{-1}(p) \\ &= \exp_{\varphi(z)}^N \circ \left(d\varphi \Big|_{T_z S^n} \right) \circ (\exp_z^{S^n})^{-1}(p) \\ &= \psi(p). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can extend ψ to be defined on the whole S^n by setting $\psi(\bar{x}) = \psi(\bar{x})$.

Then by the construction of $\varphi: S^n \rightarrow N$ is a local isometry. Similar argument as in lemma 8 \Rightarrow φ is a covering map. Since N is simple-connected, φ has to be an isometry.

Finally, it is clear that $d\varphi(e_i) = e_i$, $\forall i = 1, \dots, n$.

So we've proved the existence part of Thm 10.

For uniqueness : we first prove

Lemma 13 : Let $\varphi_i : M \rightarrow N$, $i=1,2$, be 2 local isometries between complete Riem. mfds. M & N such that for some $x \in M$,

$$\begin{cases} \varphi_1(x) = \varphi_2(x) \\ d\varphi_1|_{T_x M} = d\varphi_2|_{T_x M} \end{cases}$$

Then $\varphi_1 = \varphi_2$.

Pf : Let $S = \{z \in M : \varphi_1(z) = \varphi_2(z) \text{ & } d\varphi_1|_{T_z M} = d\varphi_2|_{T_z M}\}$

- By assumption, $x \in S$. $\therefore S \neq \emptyset$.
- It is clear that S is closed by continuity.
- If $z \in S$, take $\delta > 0$ s.t.

$\exp_z^M : B(\delta) \rightarrow M$ is a diffeo. injection.

Recall that we have $T_z M \xrightarrow{d\varphi} T_{\varphi(z)} N$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \exp_z^M & \downarrow & \exp_{\varphi(z)}^N \\ M & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & N \end{array}$$

& local isometry φ .

Applying this to φ_1 & φ_2 , we have

$$\exp_z^M(B(\delta)) \subset S \quad (\text{Ex!})$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is open.

Therefore, by connectedness of $M \Rightarrow S = M$. ~~xx~~

Pf of Uniqueness of Thm 10 : Immediately from Lemma 13. ~~xx~~

Cor 14 : let M = complete simply-connected Riem. mfld. of $\dim = n$.

Then M is a space form

$\Leftrightarrow \forall x, y \in M$ and

\forall orthonormal bases $\{e_i\}$ of $T_x M$ &
 $\{\varepsilon_i\}$ of $T_y M$,

\exists isometry $\varphi: M \rightarrow M$ s.t. $\varphi(x) = y$ and
 $d\varphi(e_i) = \varepsilon_i$, $\forall i$

(Pf: Immediately from Thm 10)

Note: Cor 14 proves that simply-connected space form
is homogeneous. In fact, we have more

Ca15 Simply-connected space forms are two-points homogeneous.

Def: M is called two-points homogeneous if

$\forall p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2 \in M$ with $d(p_1, p_2) = d(q_1, q_2)$

\exists an isometry $\varphi: M \rightarrow M$ such that

$$\varphi(p_1) = q_1 \quad \& \quad \varphi(p_2) = q_2.$$

Pf of Ca15 Let p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2 be points in a simply-connected space form M s.t.

$$d(p_1, p_2) = d(q_1, q_2) = \alpha.$$

Let $\xi, \tilde{\xi}: [0, \alpha] \rightarrow M$ be normalized geodesics s.t.

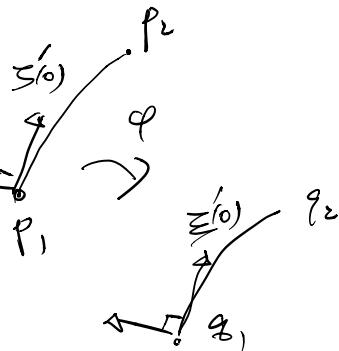
$$\xi(0) = p_1, \quad \xi(\alpha) = p_2$$

$$\tilde{\xi}(0) = q_1, \quad \tilde{\xi}(\alpha) = q_2$$

Choose orthonormal bases

$\{e_i\}$ on $T_{p_1}M$ s.t. $e_1 = \xi'(0)$ &

$\{\varepsilon_i\}$ on $T_{q_1}M$ s.t. $\varepsilon_1 = \tilde{\xi}'(0)$.



Then Thm 10 (or Cor 14) \Rightarrow \exists isometry $\varphi: M \rightarrow M$

s.t. $\varphi(p_i) = q_i$ and $d\varphi(e_i) = \xi_i$

$\Rightarrow \varphi \circ \gamma$ & ξ are geodetics with the same initial data, hence $\varphi \circ \gamma = \xi$.

$\Rightarrow \varphi(p_2) = q_2 \quad \times$

Pf of (*) in the proof of Thm 10 :

We need to calculate the curvature term

$$R_{\gamma'_0(t) U(t)} \gamma'_0(t).$$

Let $V_0(t) = \frac{\gamma'_0(t)}{|\gamma'_0(t)|}$, then

$$R_{\gamma'_0(t) U(t)} \gamma'_0(t) = |\gamma'_0(t)|^2 R_{V_0(t) U(t)} V_0(t)$$

$$(\text{Lemma 12}) = |\gamma'_0(t)|^2 K \left[U(t) - \langle U(t), V_0(t) \rangle V_0(t) \right]$$

Since $\langle \gamma'_0(t), \gamma'_0(t) \rangle = \langle \gamma'_0(0), \gamma'_0(0) \rangle = |T|^2$

$$\langle \gamma'_0(t), e_i(t) \rangle = \langle T, e_i \rangle,$$

we have

$$U'(t) + R_{\gamma_0'(t)U(t)} \gamma_0'(t) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_i f_i'' e_i + |\gamma_0'|^2 K \left[\sum_i f_i e_i - \frac{\langle \sum_i f_i e_i, \gamma_0' \rangle}{|\gamma_0'|^2} \gamma_0' \right] = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_i (f_i'' + |\gamma_0'|^2 K f_i) e_i - K \sum_i f_i \langle e_i, \gamma_0' \rangle \gamma_0' = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_i (f_i'' + |\gamma_0'|^2 K f_i) e_i - K \sum_i f_i \langle e_i, T \rangle \sum_j \langle e_j, \gamma_0' \rangle e_j = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_i (f_i'' + |\gamma_0'|^2 K f_i) e_i - K \sum_{i,j} f_i \langle e_j, T \rangle \langle e_j, T \rangle e_j = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_i \left[f_i'' + |\gamma_0'|^2 K f_i - K \sum_{j,j} f_j \langle e_j, T \rangle \langle e_i, T \rangle \right] e_i = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f_i'' + \sum_j f_j K [|\gamma_0'|^2 \delta_{ij} - \langle e_j, T \rangle \langle e_j, T \rangle] = 0$$

$\forall i=1, \dots, n.$

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