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CONVERGENCES ON LATTICE ORDERED GROUPS WITH A FINITE NUMBER OF DISJOINT ELEMENTS

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ABSTRACT. For a lattice ordered group G we denote by $\text{Conv } G$ the system of all sequential convergences on G satisfying the Urysohn's axiom. Let \mathcal{F} be the class of all lattice ordered groups with a finite number of disjoint elements. In this paper we prove that if $G \in \mathcal{F}$, then $\text{Conv } G$ is a finite Boolean algebra.

Introduction

In the papers [3]–[11] there has been investigated the system $\text{Conv } G$ of all sequential convergences on a lattice ordered group G satisfying Urysohn's axiom. In some of these papers it was assumed that G is abelian.

The case when Urysohn's axiom was omitted has been dealt with in [12], [13], [14]; the corresponding system was denoted by $\text{conv } G$. In [12] and [13], the commutativity of the group operation was assumed.

The system $\text{Conv } G$ is partially ordered in a natural way. In general, $\text{Conv } G$ fails to be a lattice. Namely, if α and β are elements of $\text{Conv } G$, then $\alpha \vee \beta$ need not exist in $\text{Conv } G$.

The class of all lattice ordered groups with a finite number of disjoint elements will be denoted by \mathcal{F} . Such lattice ordered groups have been studied in [1].

Some results concerning the system $\text{conv } G$ for G belonging to \mathcal{F} have been proved in [12].

In the present paper we show that if $G \in \mathcal{F}$, then $\text{Conv } G$ is a finite Boolean algebra.

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In the particular case of abelian lattice ordered groups we prove the following stronger result:

- (A) Let G be an abelian lattice ordered group. Then the following conditions are equivalent:
- (i) $\text{Conv } G$ is a generalized Boolean algebra.
 - (ii) $\text{Conv } G$ is a Boolean algebra.
 - (iii) $\text{Conv } G$ is a finite Boolean algebra.
 - (iv) $G \in \mathcal{F}$.

1. Preliminaries

The group operation in a lattice ordered group will be denoted additively, though it is not assumed to be commutative.

We start by recalling some definitions (cf. [12] and [14]). Let G be a lattice ordered group. Let $g \in G$ and $(g_n) \in G^{\mathbb{N}}$. If $g_n = g$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then we write $(g_n) = \text{const } g$. For $(h_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ we set $(h_n) \sim (g_n)$ if there is $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $h_n = g_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq m$.

Let α be a subset of the lattice ordered semigroup $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$. Consider the following conditions for the set α :

- (I) If $(g_n) \in \alpha$, then each subsequence of (g_n) belongs to α .
- (II) Let $(g_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$. If each subsequence of (g_n) has a subsequence belonging to α , then (g_n) belongs to α .
- (II') Let $(g_n) \in \alpha$ and $(h_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$. If $(h_n) \sim (g_n)$, then $(h_n) \in \alpha$.
- (III) Let $g \in G$. Then $\text{const } g$ belongs to α if and only if $g = 0$.

The set α is called G -normal if for each $(x_n) \in \alpha$ and each $g \in G$ the relation $(-g + x_n + g) \in \alpha$ is valid. (Cf. [6].)

The system of all G -normal convex subsemigroups of the lattice ordered semigroup $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ which satisfy the conditions (I), (II) and (III) (or the conditions (I), (II') and (III)) will be denoted by $\text{Conv } G$ (or by $\text{conv } G$, respectively).

Both $\text{Conv } G$ and $\text{conv } G$ are partially ordered by the set-theoretical inclusion.

For $(g_n) \in G^{\mathbb{N}}$, $g \in G$ and $\alpha \in \text{Conv } G$ we put $g_n \rightarrow_{\alpha} g$ if and only if $(|g_n - g|) \in \alpha$.

Let $\alpha(d)$ be the set of all $(g_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ such that $(g_n) \sim \text{const } 0$. Then $\alpha(d)$ is the least element of both $\text{Conv } G$ and $\text{conv } G$.

Further, let $\alpha(o)$ be the set of all $(g_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ having the property that there exists $(h_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ such that

- (i) $h_{n+1} \leq h_n$ is valid for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$,
- (ii) $\bigwedge_{n \in \mathbb{N}} h_n = 0$,
- (iii) there is $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $h_n \geq g_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq m$.

The set $\alpha(o)$ will be called the *o-convergence* in G . We have $\alpha(o) \in \text{conv } G$; but, in general, $\alpha(o)$ need not belong to $\text{Conv } G$. If G is linearly ordered, then $\alpha(o) \in \text{Conv } G$.

2. The case $G \in \mathcal{F}$

A lattice ordered group G is said to be a *lexico extension* of its ℓ -subgroup H if, whenever $0 < g \in G \setminus H$, then $g > h$ for each $h \in H$.

It is well known that if G belongs to \mathcal{F} , then it can be built up from a finite number of linearly ordered groups by forming direct products and lexico extensions. Moreover, by each step applying the construction of lexico-graphic extension, the corresponding ℓ -subgroup H fails to be linearly ordered. (Cf. [1], [2].)

For a lattice ordered group G we denote by $\mathcal{L}(G)$ the system of all convex ℓ -subgroups X of G such that

- (i) X is linearly ordered and $X \neq \{0\}$;
- (ii) whenever Y is a convex linearly ordered subgroup of G with $X \subseteq Y$, then $X = Y$.

2.1. LEMMA. (Cf. [15].) *Let $X_1, X_2 \in \mathcal{L}(G)$, $X_1 \neq X_2$. Then $X_1 \cap X_2 = \{0\}$.*

From the definition of $\mathcal{L}(G)$ we immediately obtain:

2.2. LEMMA. *Let $X \in \mathcal{L}(G)$ and $g \in G$. Then $-g + X + g \in \mathcal{L}(G)$.*

2.3. LEMMA. (Cf. [6].) *Let G be a linearly ordered group and $\alpha \in \text{Conv } G$. Then either $\alpha = \alpha(d)$ or $\alpha = \alpha(o)$.*

The following assertion is an easy consequence of the definition of $\text{Conv } G$.

2.4. LEMMA. *Let H be a convex ℓ -subgroup of G and let $\alpha \in \text{Conv } G$. Let β be the set of all $(h_n) \in (H^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ such that there exists $(g_n) \in \alpha$ with $(h_n) \sim (g_n)$. Then $\beta \in \text{Conv } H$.*

Now suppose that G belongs to \mathcal{F} . Then from the structure of G mentioned at the beginning of the present section we conclude that the set $\mathcal{L}(G)$ is nonempty and finite; namely, $\mathcal{L}(G)$ is the system of all linearly ordered groups

by means of which G is constructed in the above described way. Thus we can put

$$\mathcal{L}(G) = \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m\}.$$

For $X_i \in \mathcal{L}(G)$ we denote by $\alpha_i(d)$ the least element of $\text{Conv } X_i$ and by $\alpha_i(o)$ the corresponding o -convergence on X_i . We put

$$\mathcal{L}_0(G) = \{X_i \in \mathcal{L}(G) : \alpha_i(d) \neq \alpha_i(o)\}.$$

Of course, it may happen that $\mathcal{L}_0(G)$ is an empty set.

We denote by $B(G)$ the Boolean algebra of all subsets of $\mathcal{L}_0(G)$. Further, let $B_0(G)$ be the collection of all $S \in B(G)$ such that

- (i) $S \subseteq \mathcal{L}_0(G)$,
- (ii) if $X_i \in S$ and $g \in G$, then $-g + X_i + g \in S$.

Then we clearly have:

2.5. LEMMA. $B_0(G)$ is a subalgebra of the Boolean algebra $B(G)$.

Our aim is to show that the partially ordered set $\text{Conv } G$ is isomorphic to $B_0(G)$. We need some auxiliary results.

Let $\alpha \in \text{Conv } G$ and $X_i \in \mathcal{L}_0(G)$. Hence X_i is a convex ℓ -subgroup of G . Thus we can apply 2.4 with X_i instead of H . We write α_i instead of β , where β is as in 2.4. We put

$$f_1(\alpha) = \{X_i \in \mathcal{L}_0(G) : \alpha_i(o) \subseteq \alpha\}.$$

2.6. LEMMA. For each $\alpha \in \text{Conv } G$, $f_1(\alpha)$ belongs to $B_0(G)$.

Proof. This is the consequence of the fact that α is a normal subset of $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$. □

Next, let S be an element of $B_0(G)$. If $S = \emptyset$, then we put $f_2(S) = \alpha(d)$. Further, assume that S is nonempty; for fixing the notation let us set

$$S = \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k\}.$$

We denote by S^1 the set of all elements $x \in G^+$ which can be represented in the form

$$x = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_k$$

with $x_i \in X_i$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, k$).

In view of 2.1, whenever $i(1)$ and $i(2)$ are distinct elements of the set $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$, then $x_{i(1)} \wedge x_{i(2)} = 0$; therefore

$$x_{i(1)} + x_{i(2)} = x_{i(1)} \vee x_{i(2)} = x_{i(2)} + x_{i(1)}.$$

Thus we have

$$x = x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \dots \vee x_k.$$

This easily yields that if y is another element of S^1 with

$$y = y_1 + y_2 + \cdots + y_k$$

(under analogous notation as above), then

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= (x_1 + y_1) + (x_2 + y_2) + \cdots + (x_k + y_k), \\ x \circ y &= (x_1 \circ y_1) + (x_2 \circ y_2) + \cdots + (x_k \circ y_k) \quad \text{for } \circ \in \{\wedge, \vee\}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, if $x \in S^1$, $0 \leq g \in G$, and $g \leq x$, then $g \in S^1$. Hence we have:

2.7. LEMMA. S^1 is a subsemigroup of the semigroup G^+ . Further, S^1 is a sublattice of the lattice G^+ .

In view of 2.2 and of the definition of the set S , the relation

$$-g + S^1 + g = S^1 \tag{1}$$

is valid for each $g \in G$.

We define $f_{20}(S)$ to be the set of all $(g_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ such that

- (i) $g_n \in S^1$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ (hence, under analogous notation as above, g_n has a representation

$$g_n = g_{n1} + g_{n2} + \cdots + g_{nk};$$

- (ii) if $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$, then $(g_{ni}) \in \alpha_i(o)$.

Further, let $f_2(S)$ be the set of all $(h_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ such that there exists $(g_n) \in f_{20}(S)$ with $(h_n) \sim (g_n)$.

In view of 2.7 and (1) we conclude that $f_2(S)$ is a B -normal convex subsemigroup of the lattice ordered group $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ satisfying the conditions (I), (II) and (III). In other words, we have:

2.8. LEMMA. $f_2(S) \in \text{Conv } G$.

The definition of $f_2(S)$ immediately yields:

2.9. LEMMA. Let S and S' be elements of $B_0(G)$ such that $S \subseteq S'$. Then $f_2(S) \subseteq f_2(S')$.

2.10. LEMMA. Let S and S' be elements of $B_0(G)$ such that $S \subset S'$. Then $f_2(S) \subset f_2(S')$.

P r o o f. There exists $X_i \in S' \setminus S$. Further, there exists $(g_n) \in (X_i^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ such that $(g_n) \in \alpha_i(o)$ and $(g_n) \notin \alpha_i(d)$. Then we have

$$(g_n) \in f_2(S'), \quad (g_n) \notin f_2(S).$$

Thus in view of 2.9, the relation $f_2(S) \subset f_2(S')$ holds. □

2.11. LEMMA. *Let $\alpha \in \text{Conv } G$ and let $S = f_1(\alpha)$. Then $f_2(S) \subseteq \alpha$.*

Proof. Let $(h_n) \in f_2(S)$. Then there exists $(g_n) \in f_{20}(S)$ such that $(g_n) \sim (h_n)$. For elements g_n we apply the same notation as above. For each $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ we have $(g_{ni}) \in \alpha_i(o)$. Thus in view of the definition of $f_1(\alpha)$ we get $(g_{ni}) \in \alpha$. Since α is a subsemigroup of $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ we infer that (g_n) belongs to α . Therefore (h_n) belongs to (α) as well. \square

2.12. LEMMA. *Let $0 \leq g \in G$, $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ and suppose that g does not exceed all elements of X_i . Then the set $\{t \in X_i : t \leq g\}$ has the greatest element.*

Proof. Cf. [15; p. 56]. \square

Under the assumptions as in 2.12, the greatest element of the set under consideration will be denoted by g^i .

2.13. LEMMA. *Let $0 \leq g \in G$ and suppose that for each $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ there exists $x^i \in X_i$ such that $x^i \not\leq g$. Then*

$$g = g^1 + g^2 + \dots + g^m.$$

Proof. In view of 2.1 we conclude that the set $\{g^1, g^2, \dots, g^m\}$ is disjoint, whence

$$g^1 + g^2 + \dots + g^m = g^1 \vee g^2 \vee \dots \vee g^m.$$

Denote $g^1 \vee g^2 \vee \dots \vee g^m = g'$. Clearly $g' \leq g$.

By way of contradiction, assume that $g' < g$. Hence there is $0 < h \in G$ with $g' + h = g$.

From the structure of G we conclude that $\{x^1, x^2, \dots, x^m\}$ is a maximal disjoint subset of G . Hence there is $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ such that $h \wedge x^i > 0$. We get $h \wedge x^i \in X_i$, thus $g^i + (h \wedge x^i) \in X_i$ and

$$g^i < g^i + (h \wedge x^i) \leq g^i + h = g;$$

in view of the definition of g^i we arrived at a contradiction. \square

Again, let $\alpha \in \text{Conv } G$ and let $(g_n) \in \alpha$. Let $\mathcal{L}(G)$ be as above and let $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$. There exists $x^i \in X_i$ with $x^i > 0$. If $x^i \leq g_n$ for infinitely many n , then in view of (I) and according to the convexity of α we would have $\text{const } x^i \in \alpha$, which is a contradiction. Therefore there exists $(g_n^1) \in \alpha$ such that $(g_n^1) \sim (g_n)$ and no g_n^1 exceeds x^i . If we choose $x^i > 0$ for each $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$, then by induction we conclude that there exists $(g_n^2) \in \alpha$ with $(g_n^2) \sim (g_n)$ such that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and each $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ we have

$$x^i \not\leq g_n^2.$$

Hence in view of 2.13, each g_n^2 can be represented in the form

$$g_n^2 = g_n^{21} + g_n^{22} + \dots + g_n^{2m}$$

with $0 \leq g_n^{2i} \in X_i$ for $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$.

As above, put $f_1(\alpha) = S$.

2.14. LEMMA. *Suppose that i is an element of the set $\{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ such that X_i does not belong to S . Then the set*

$$N_1 = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : g_n^{2i} \neq 0\}$$

is finite.

Proof. By way of contradiction, assume that the set N_1 is infinite. Hence there exists a subsequence (g_n^3) of (g_n^2) such that, under an analogous notation as above, we have

$$g_n^{3i} > 0 \quad \text{for each } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Since $(g_n^3) \in \alpha$ and $0 < g_n^{3i} \leq g_n^3$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we infer that $(g_n^{3i}) \in \alpha$.

Consider the element β of $\text{Conv } X_i$ which is constructed by means of α and by applying 2.4 with X_i instead of H . Then

$$(g_n^{3i}) \in \beta, \quad (g_n^{3i}) \notin \alpha_i(d),$$

therefore $\beta \neq \alpha_i(d)$, hence in view of 2.3 we obtain $\beta = \alpha_i(o)$. Thus $\alpha_i(o) \subseteq \alpha$, yielding that $X_i \in S$, which is a contradiction. \square

By applying 2.14 and the induction we conclude:

2.15. LEMMA. *There exists $(g_n^4) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ such that*

- (i) $(g_n^4) \sim (g_n^2)$,
- (ii) $g_n^{4i} = 0$ whenever $X_i \notin S$.

Therefore for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, g_n^4 has a representation

$$g_n^4 = g_n^{41} + g_n^{42} + \dots + g_n^{4m}.$$

Hence $(g_n^4) \in f_2(S)$. Since $(g_n) \sim (g_n^4)$, we have also $(g_n) \in f_2(S)$. Summarizing, we obtain $\alpha \subseteq f_2(S)$.

Thus according to 2.11 we get:

2.16. LEMMA. *Let $\alpha \in \text{Conv } G$, $f_1(\alpha) = S$. Then $f_2(S) = \alpha$.*

From the definition of f_2 we easily obtain:

2.17. LEMMA. *Let $S \in B_0(G)$, $f_2(S) = \alpha$. Then $f_1(\alpha) = S$.*

It is obvious that the mapping f_1 is monotone. Hence from 2.9, 2.16 and 2.17 we conclude:

2.18. THEOREM. *The mapping f_1 is an isomorphism of the Boolean algebra $B_0(G)$ onto the partially ordered set $\text{Conv } G$; further, $f_2 = f_1^{-1}$.*

3. Proof of (A)

In the present section we assume that G is an abelian lattice ordered group.

A lattice L is said to be a *generalized Boolean algebra* if it has the least element and if each interval of L is a Boolean algebra.

A subset M of $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ is called *regular* if there is $\alpha \in \text{Conv } G$ such that $M \subseteq \alpha$.

Each interval of the partially ordered set $\text{Conv } G$ is a complete distributive lattice (cf. [3]). Hence if M is regular, then there exists $\beta \in \text{Conv } G$ such that

- (i) $M \subseteq \beta$,
- (ii) whenever $\beta_1 \in \text{Conv } G$, $M \subseteq \beta_1$, then $\beta \subseteq \beta_1$.

We say that the *convergence* β is *generated by the set* M .

Let $(x_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ such that $x_n > 0$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x_{n(1)} \wedge x_{n(2)} = 0$ whenever $n(1)$ and $n(2)$ are distinct elements of \mathbb{N} .

The following lemma is a consequence of [4; Theorem 7.3].

3.1. LEMMA. *The one-element set $\{(x_n)\}$ is regular.*

Let us denote by α the convergence on G which is generated by the set $\{(x_n)\}$.

For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we put $y_n = nx_n$. Then $y_{n(1)} \wedge y_{n(2)} = 0$ if $n(1)$ and $n(2)$ are distinct elements of \mathbb{N} . Thus in view of 3.1, the set $\{(y_n)\}$ is regular. The convergence generated by this set will be denoted by β .

3.2. LEMMA. *Let M be a regular subset of $(G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$ and let $(z_n) \in (G^{\mathbb{N}})^+$. Let γ be convergence generated by the set M . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) $(z_n) \in \gamma$.
- (ii) *For each subsequence (z'_n) of (z_n) there exist a subsequence (z''_n) of (z'_n) , positive integers k and m , sequences $(a_n^i) \in M$ and subsequences (b_n^i) of (a_n^i) ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$) such that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ the relation*

$$z''_n \leq k(b_n^1 + b_n^2 + \dots + b_n^m)$$

is valid.

P r o o f. This is a consequence of [5; Theorem 2.2]. □

From 3.2 we immediately obtain:

3.3. LEMMA. *We have $\alpha \leq \beta$.*

3.4. LEMMA. (y_n) does not belong to α .

Proof. By way of contradiction, assume that (y_n) belongs to α . Thus in view of 3.2 there exists a subsequence (y'_n) of (y_n) and there are positive integers k and m , and subsequences (b_n^i) of (x_i) ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$) such that the relation

$$y'_n \leq k(b_n^1 + b_n^2 + \dots + b_n^m) \tag{1}$$

is valid for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Then for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have

- (i) there is a positive integer $t(n) \geq n$ such that $y'_n = t(n)x_{t(n)}$;
- (ii) there are positive integers $s(n, i)$ such that

$$b_n^i = x_{s(n, i)} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m).$$

If $t(n) \neq s(n, i)$, then $y'_n \wedge kb_n^i = 0$; thus such elements b_n^i can be omitted in (1). Hence in view of (1) we have

$$y'_n = t(n)x_{t(n)} \leq kmx_{t(n)} \tag{2}$$

for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. There exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $t(n) > km$ and then the relation (2) cannot hold. □

From 3.3 and 3.4 we conclude:

3.5. COROLLARY. We have $\alpha < \beta$.

It is obvious that $\alpha(d) < \alpha$.

3.6. LEMMA. The element α has no relative complement in the interval $[\alpha(d), \beta]$.

Proof. By way of contradiction, assume that γ is a complement of α in the interval $[\alpha(d), \beta]$. Thus

$$\alpha \wedge \gamma = \alpha(d), \tag{3a}$$

$$\alpha \vee \gamma = \beta. \tag{3b}$$

In view of (3b) and 3.5 we have $\alpha(d) < \gamma$. Hence there exists $(z_n) \in \gamma$ such that the relation $(z_n) \sim \text{const } 0$ fails to be valid. Then there is a subsequence (z'_n) of (z_n) such that $z'_n > 0$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Since $(z'_n) \in \gamma \subseteq \beta$, in view of 3.2 there exist a subsequence (z''_n) of (z'_n) , positive integers k, m and sequences (b_n^i) ($i = 1, 2, \dots, m$) such that each (b_n^i) is a subsequence of (y_n) and

$$z''_n \leq k(b_n^1 + b_n^2 + \dots + b_n^m) \quad \text{for each } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

For each $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ there is a subsequence $(t(n, i))$ of the sequence (n) such that

$$b_n^i = y_{t(n,i)} = t(n, i)x_{t(n,i)}.$$

Denote

$$v_n = k(x_{t(n,1)} + x_{t(n,2)} + \dots + x_{t(n,m)}). \quad (4)$$

Then $0 < v_n \leq z_n''$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence $(v_n) \notin \alpha(d)$. Further, $(z_n'') \in \gamma$ and thus $(v_n) \in \gamma$. But, at the same time, (in view of (4)) we have $(v_n) \in \alpha$. This yields that the relation (3a) fails to be valid and we arrived at a contradiction. \square

Summarizing the above results of the present section we obtain:

3.7. LEMMA. *Let G be an abelian lattice ordered group which does not belong to the class \mathcal{F} . Then $\text{Conv } G$ fails to be a generalized Boolean algebra.*

Let (A) be as in Introduction.

Proof of (A). Let (i)–(iv) be the conditions in the assertion (A). Then we have (iii) \implies (ii) \implies (i). In view of 3.7, (i) \implies (iv). Further, according to 2.18, (iv) \implies (iii). \square

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