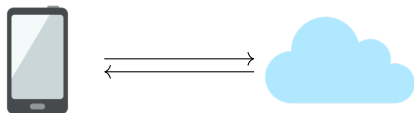


# Steel: Composable Hardware-based Stateful and Randomised Functional Encryption

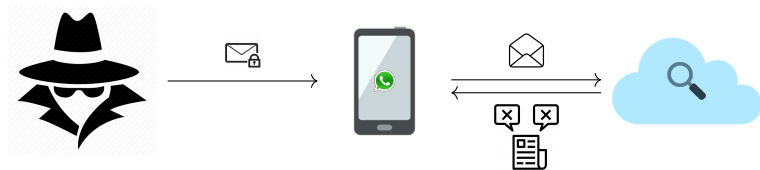
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# Motivation



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# Public Key Functional Encryption

## Syntax

- ▶  $(\text{mpk}, \text{msk}) \leftarrow \text{Init}$ : one-time setup
- ▶  $\text{sk}_F \leftarrow \text{Keygen}(\text{msk}, F)$ : produces a functional key
- ▶  $\text{ct} \leftarrow \text{Enc}(\text{mpk}, x)$
- ▶  $F(m) \leftarrow \text{Dec}(\text{sk}_F, \text{ct})$ : evaluates function

## Properties

- ▶ Authorises the decryption of a function evaluation
- ▶ Secret input, public output

# Public Key Functional Encryption

Alice



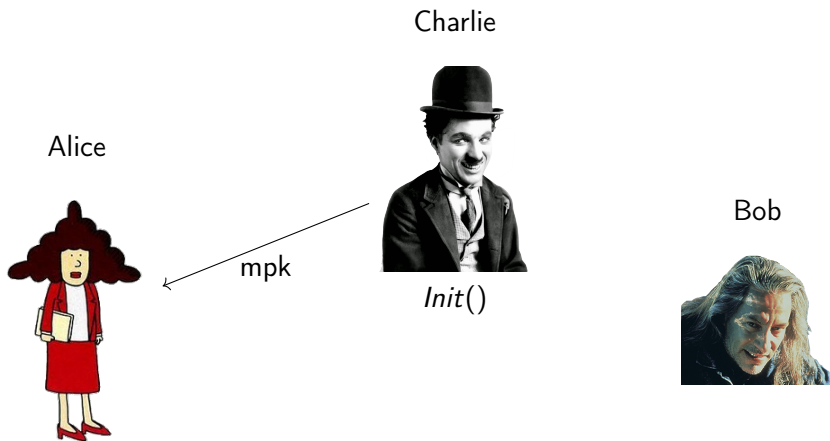
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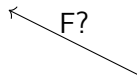
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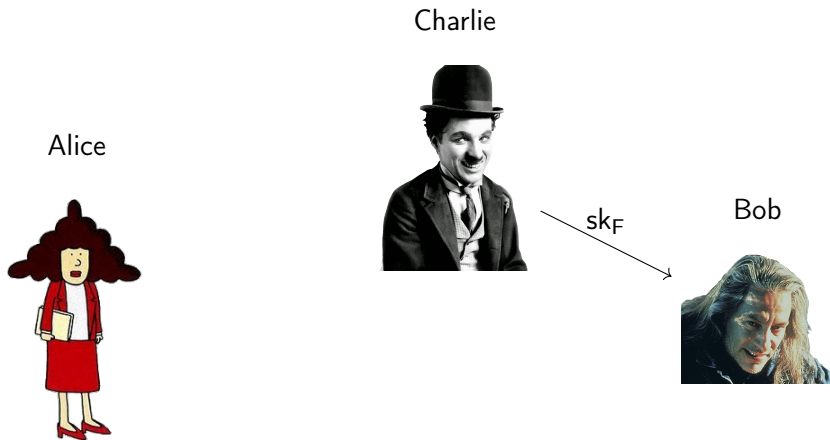
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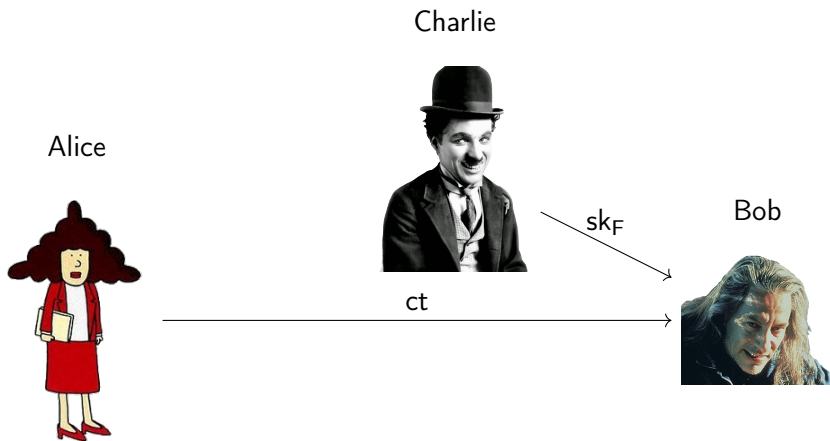


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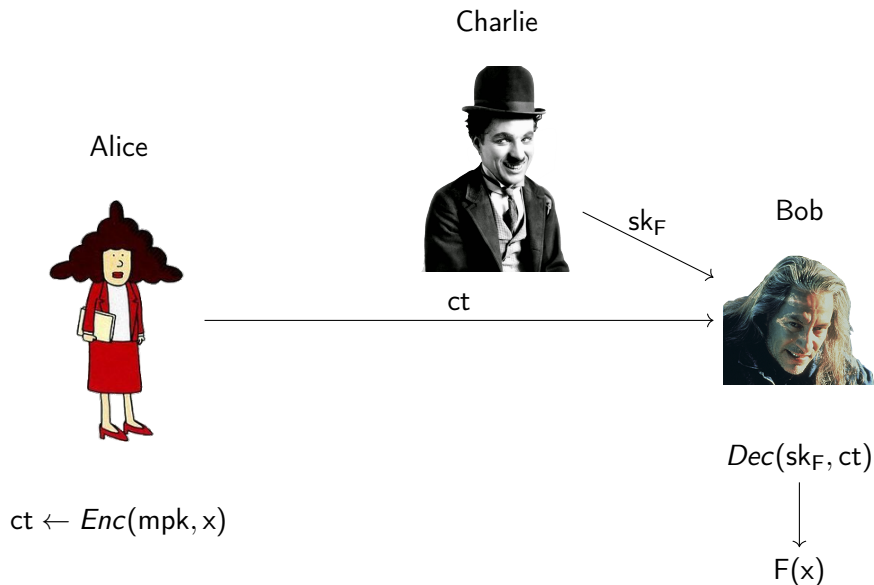


# Public Key Functional Encryption



$$ct \leftarrow \text{Enc}(\text{mpk}, x)$$

# Public Key Functional Encryption



# Current Limitations

- ▶ Non-trivial to construct in practice
- ▶ Efficient realisations for limited class of functions (deterministic, dot-product)
- ▶ Composability is impossible in the standard model (Matt, Maurer 2015)

# Hardware-based solutions

## Trusted Execution Environments



## Hardware-based FE

- ▶ Iron (Fisch et al, 2016) realises Functional Encryption using Trusted hardware

# Contributions

- ▶ Introduce Stateful & Randomised Functional encryption (FESR)
- ▶ Extend Iron and formalise security under the UC model of Pass et al, 2017 (PST in short)
- ▶ Relax the PST model to capture additional adversaries

## Our protocol Steel:

- ▶ composable
- ▶ hardware-based
- ▶ stateful and randomised functional encryption

# FESR functionality



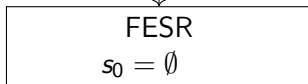
$$\text{FESR}$$
$$s_0 = \emptyset$$



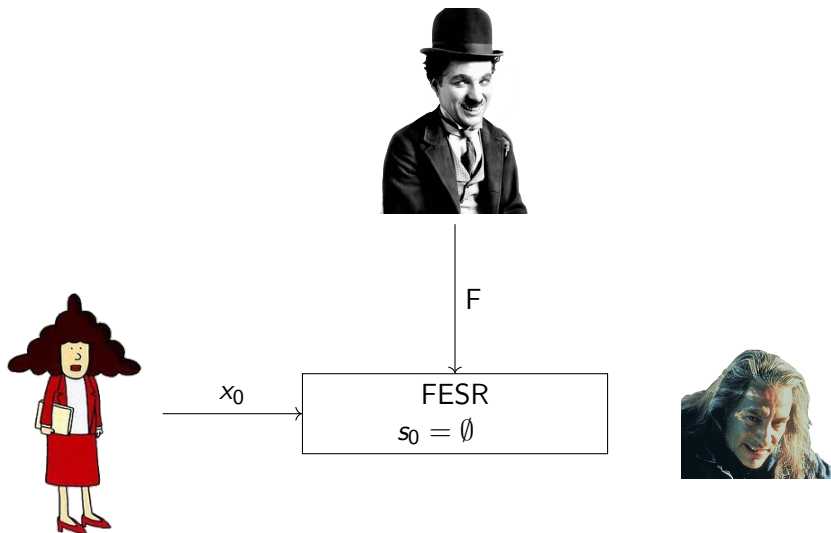
# FESR functionality



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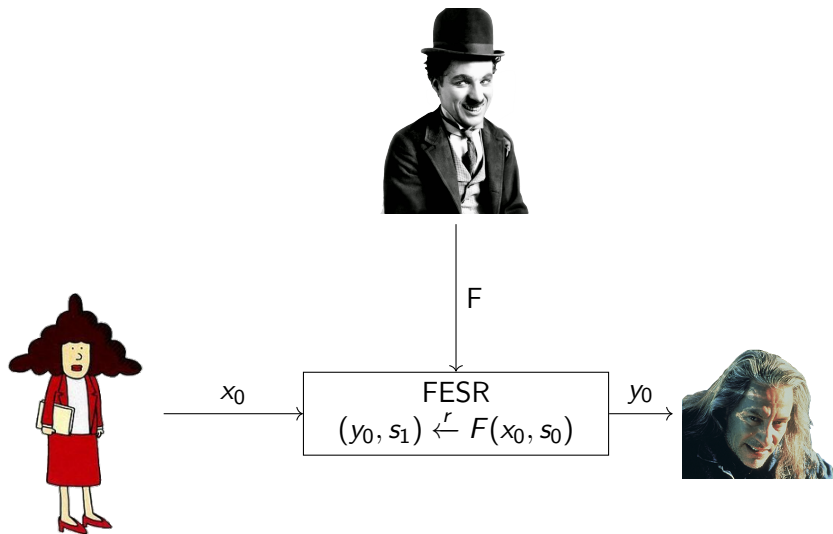


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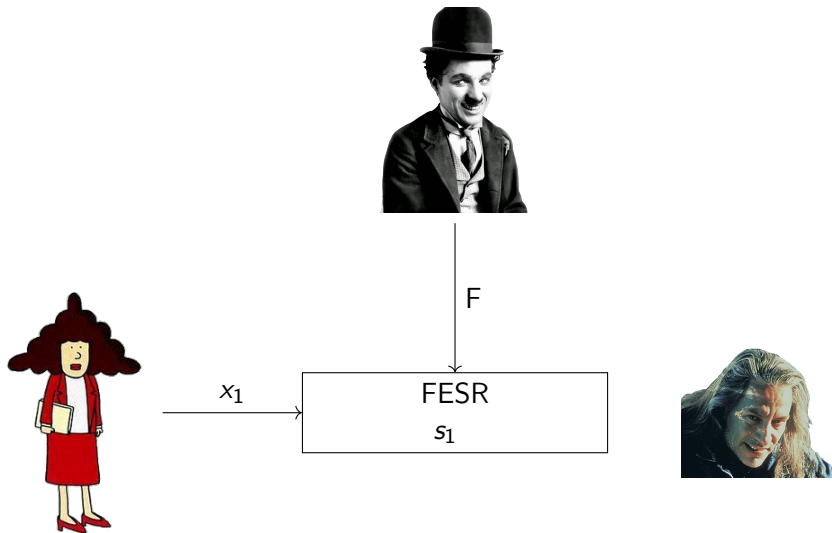




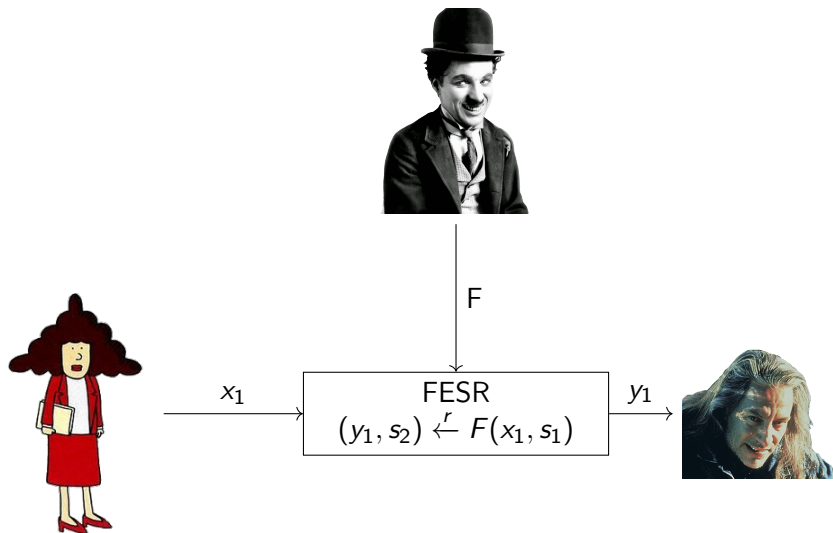
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# Properties

## Confidentiality

Bob learns only the output of authorised functions

$$(y, s') \leftarrow F(x, s; r)$$

## Correctness

The state is determined by the sequence of decryptions (for each unique function and decryptor)

$$(y_n, s_{n+1}) \leftarrow F(x_n, s_n; r_n) \dots (y_0, s_1) \leftarrow F(x_0, \emptyset; r_0)$$

# TEE architecture



OS

Enclave[P]

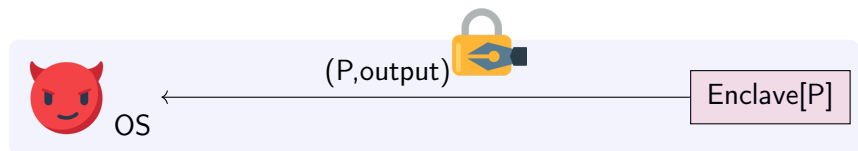
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- ▶ Attest to return value (integrity)

# PST Model

- ▶ Abstracts TEEs as a UC global functionality  $G_{\text{att}}$

## Interface

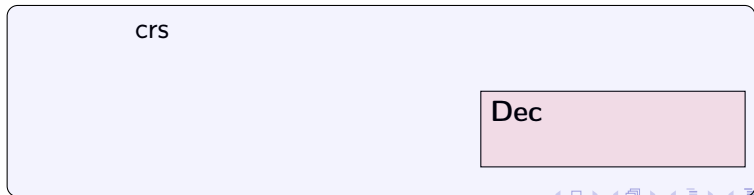
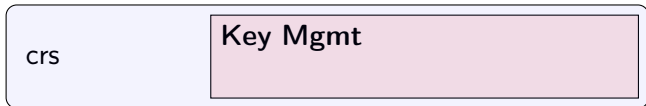
- ▶  $(\text{mpk}, \text{msk}) \leftarrow \text{Init}$ : one-time only, sets up signature scheme parameters
- ▶  $\text{mpk} \leftarrow \text{GetPK}$ : executable by any party with no access to a TEE
- ▶  $\text{eid} \leftarrow \text{Install}(\text{prog})$ : install an enclave on a particular machine
- ▶  $(\text{out}, \sigma) \leftarrow \text{Resume}(\text{eid}, \text{input})$ : executes  $\text{prog}(\text{input})$  and returns attested output
  - ▶  $\sigma = \Sigma.\text{sign}(\text{msk}, (\text{eid}, \text{prog}, \text{out}))$



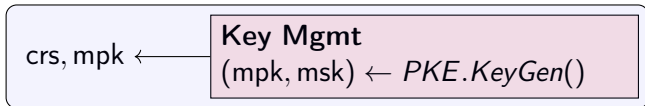
# Iron and Steel principles

- ▶ Bob and Charlie are SGX-equipped
- ▶ Encryption is just plain PKE Encryption
- ▶ Key material is kept within enclave and exchanged through attestation
- ▶ Functional keys are signatures over a function representation

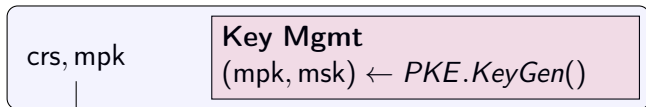
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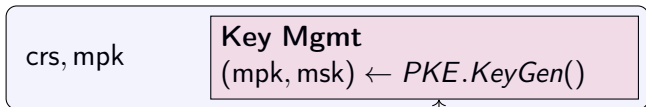
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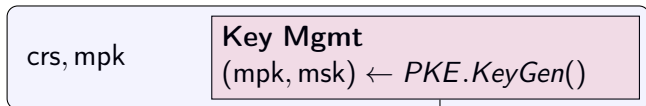
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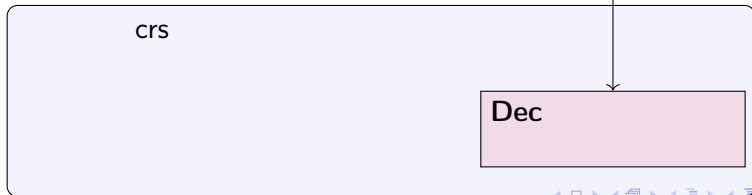
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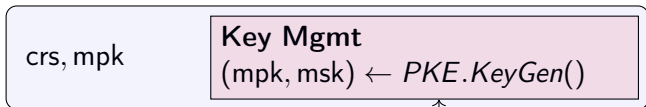
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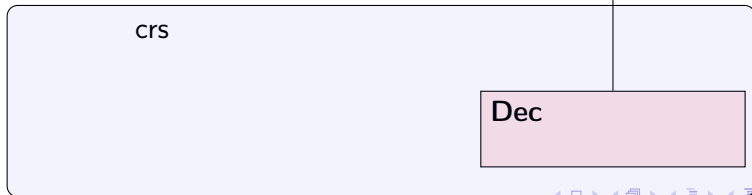
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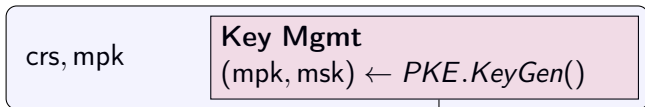
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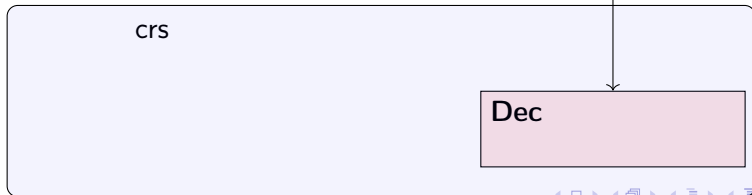
$F?$



# Steel protocol



$\text{sk}_F = (F, \text{🔒})$





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if  $F$  is authorised



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crs, y



**Func[F]**

$(y, s') \xleftarrow{r} F(\text{Dec}(\text{msk}, \text{ct}), s)$

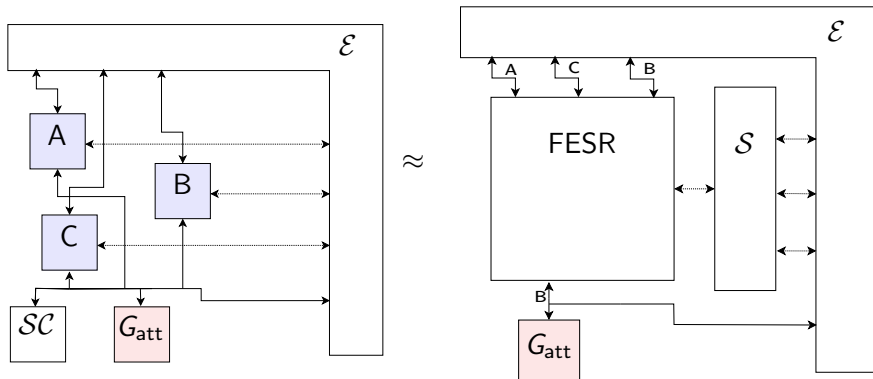
$s \leftarrow s'$

**Dec**



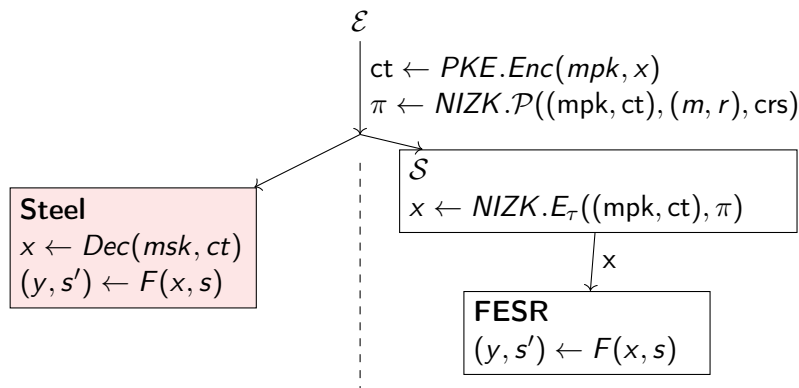
# Proof

- ▶ Simulation in the UCGS setting (Badertscher et al, 2020)
- ▶ Identity bound on  $G_{\text{att}}$
- ▶ Attestation Anonymity



# How to simulate

- ▶ NIZK extraction
- ▶ Evaluation Backdoor

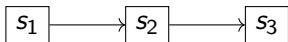




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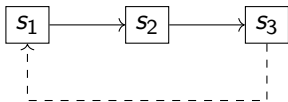
- ▶ EU-CMA for  $G_{\text{att}}$  signature scheme
- ▶ CCA for inter-enclave communication
- ▶ NIZK simulation-sound extractability
- ▶ CPA for client message encryption

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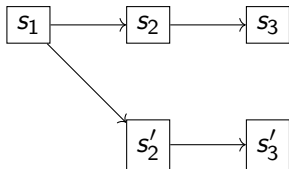


# $G_{\text{att}}^{\text{rollback}}$ functionality

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# Mitigations

- ▶ Intel SGX Hardware Monotonic Counters
- ▶ Asynchronous counters
- ▶ Network protocols (ROTE, LCM)
- ▶ Building stateless enclaves
- ▶ Steel: rollback protect the Decryption Enclave

# Conclusion

We strengthen FE to compute a larger class of functions efficiently

We model cryptographic protocols that use TEEs in a composable manner

We point out the limitations of TEEs once rollback and forking attacks are introduced

Thank you!

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