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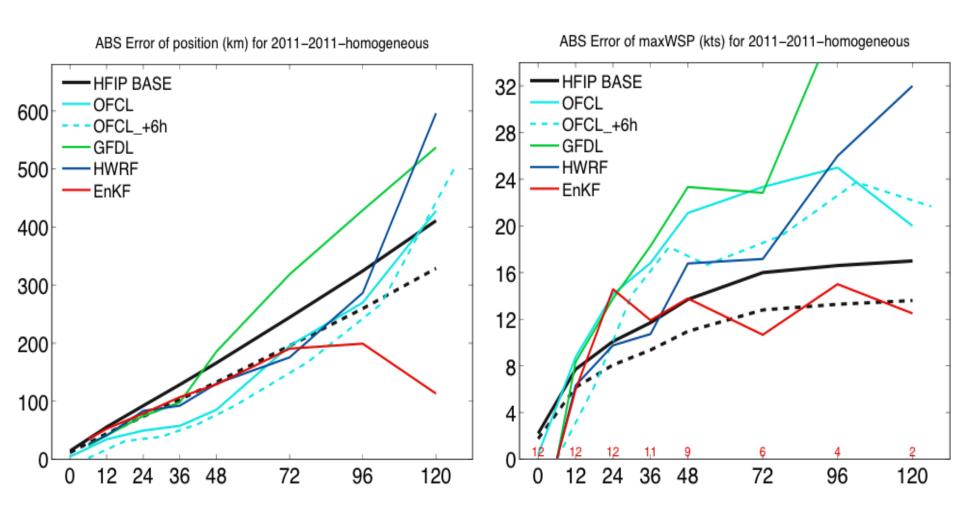
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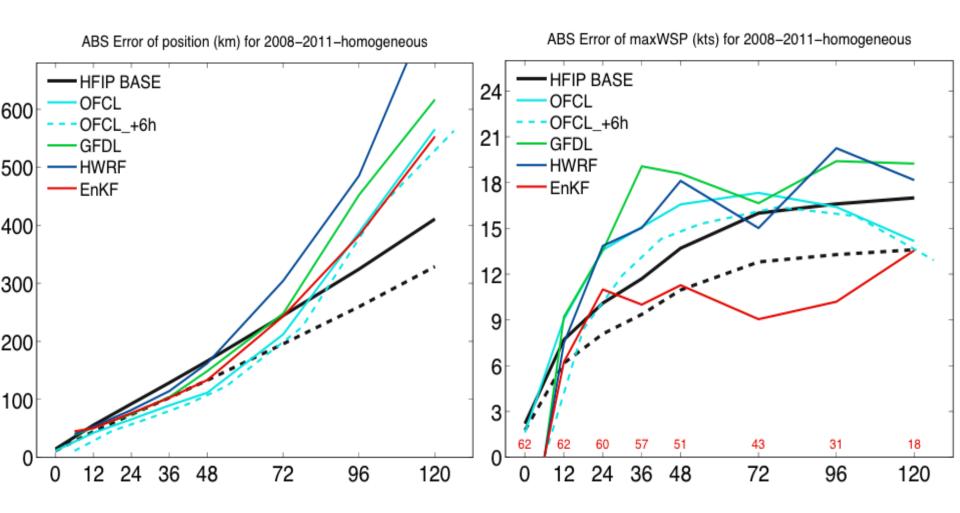
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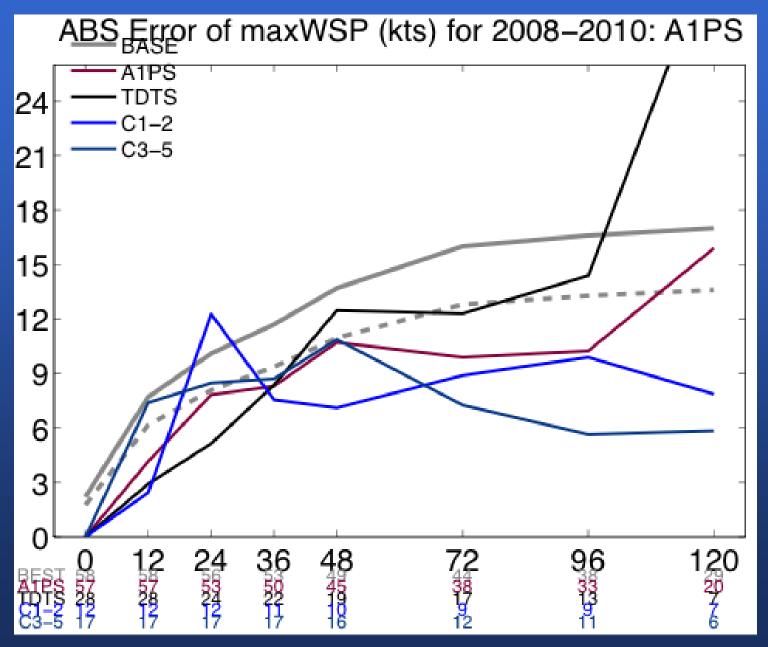
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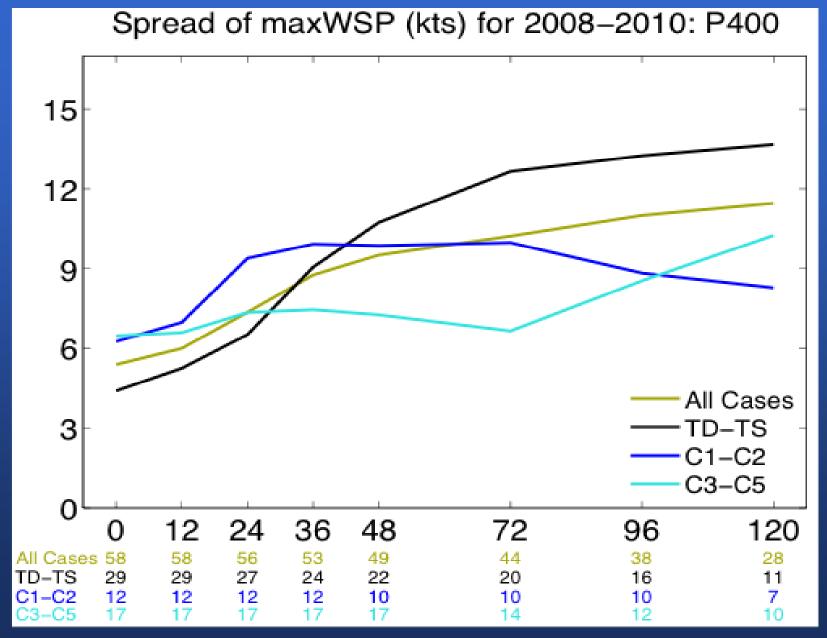
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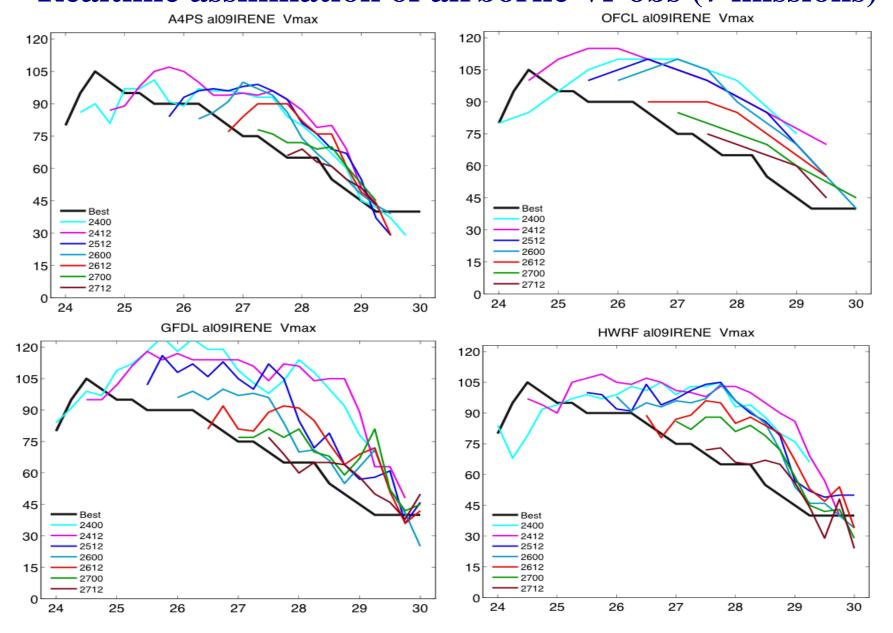
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Ensemble Spread As a Function of Initial Intensity

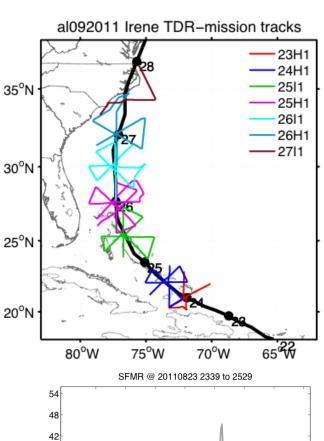


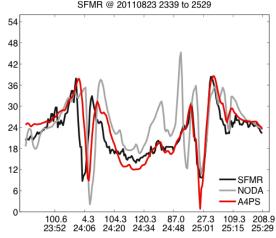
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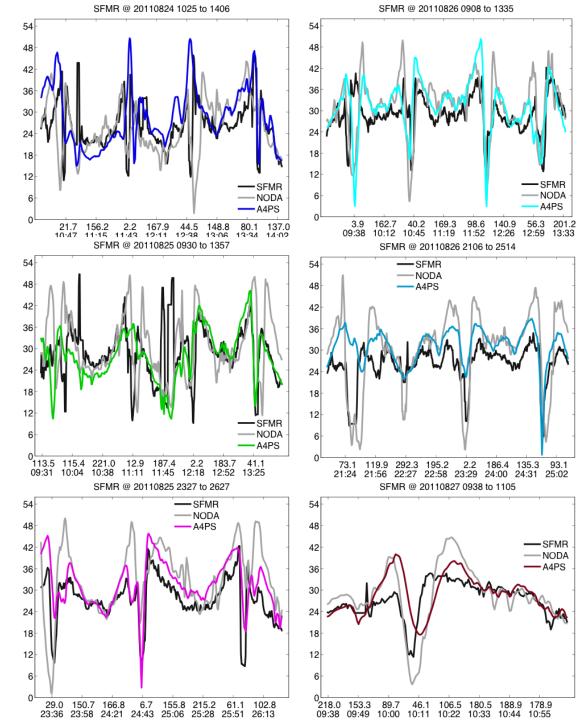


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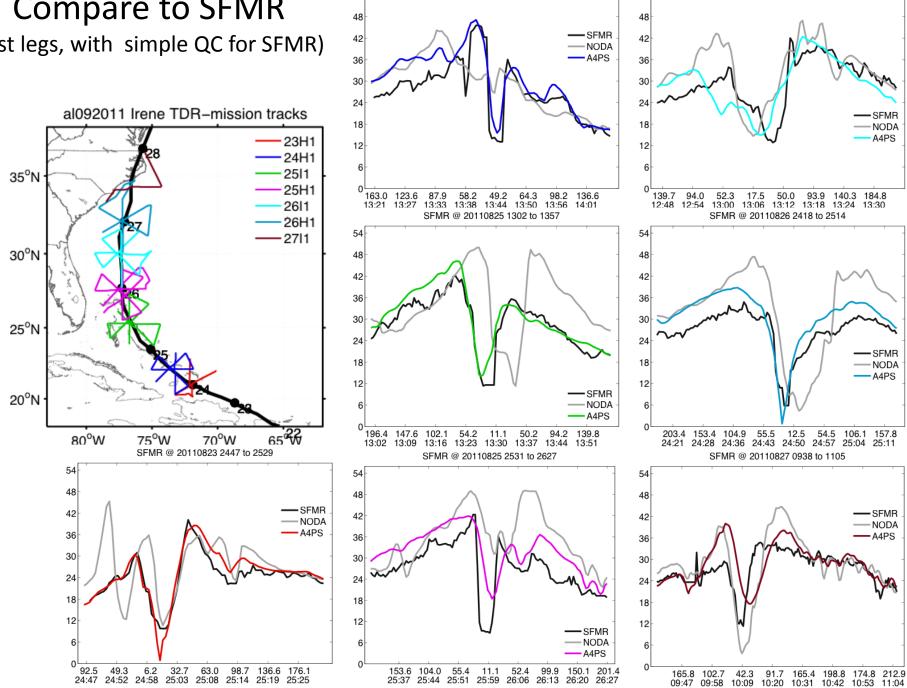






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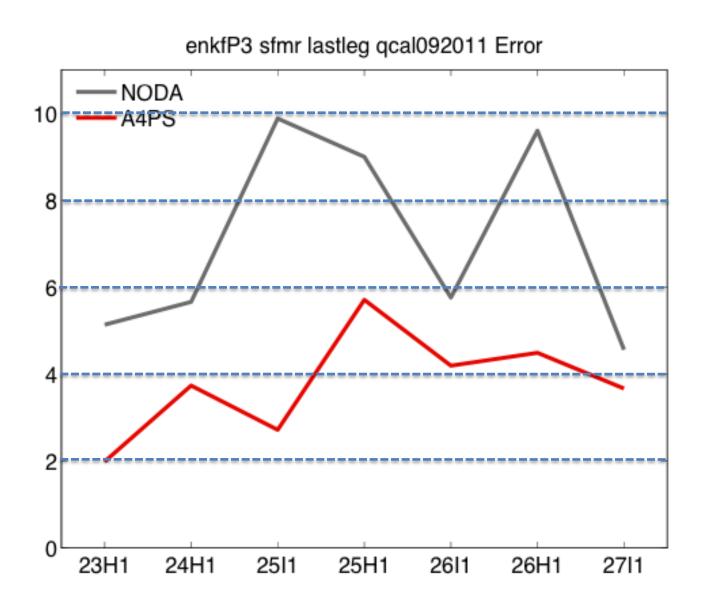
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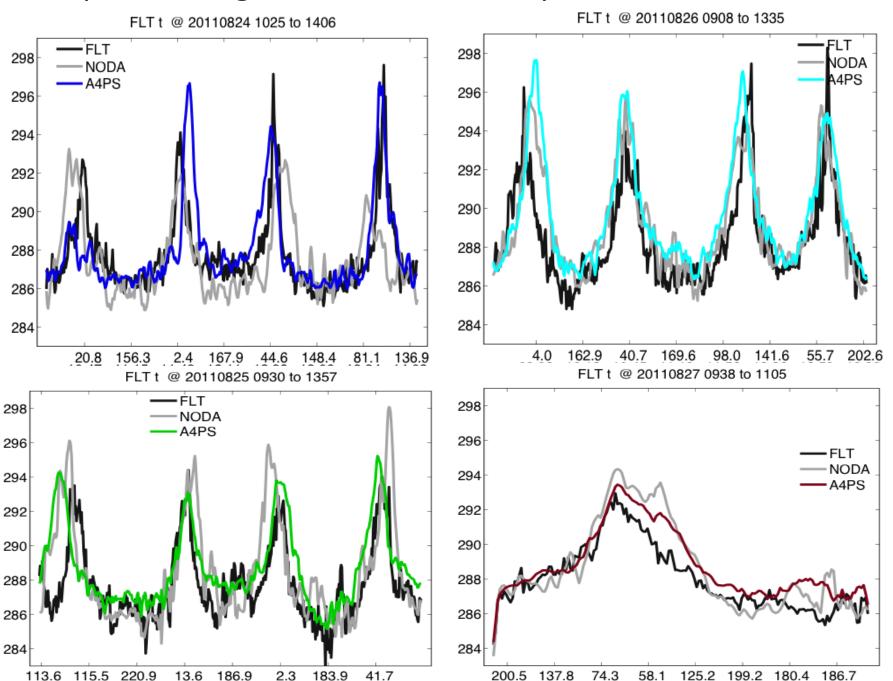
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Assimilation of Satellite Winds from John Knaff

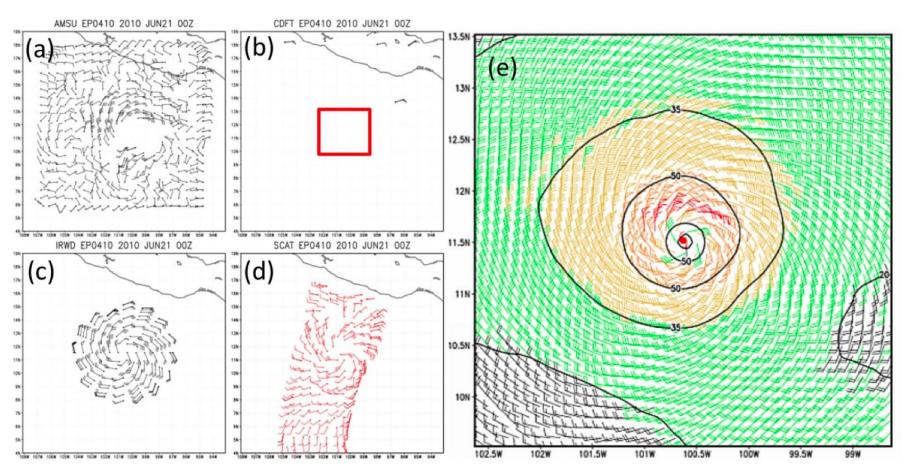
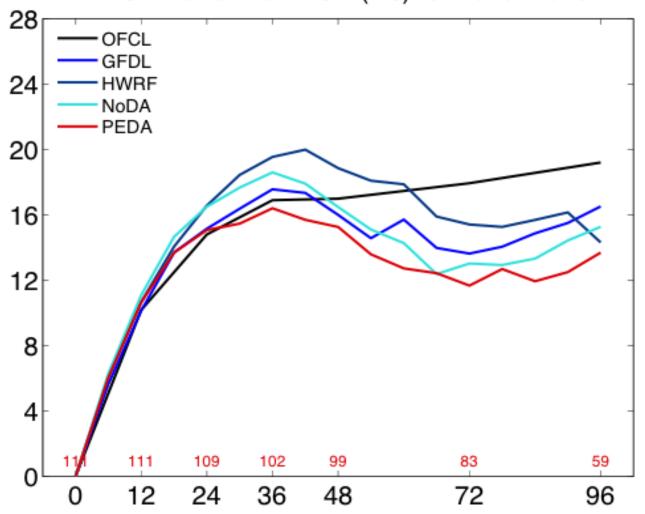


Figure 9. Examples of wind products generated for Hurricane Celia (EP0410) on 21 June 2010 at 00UTC (a) AMSU, (b) CDFT, (c) IRWD, (d) ASCT and (e) MTCSWA. The red frame shown in (b) is the plotted area of MTCSWA wind in (e). (J. Knaff, 2011)

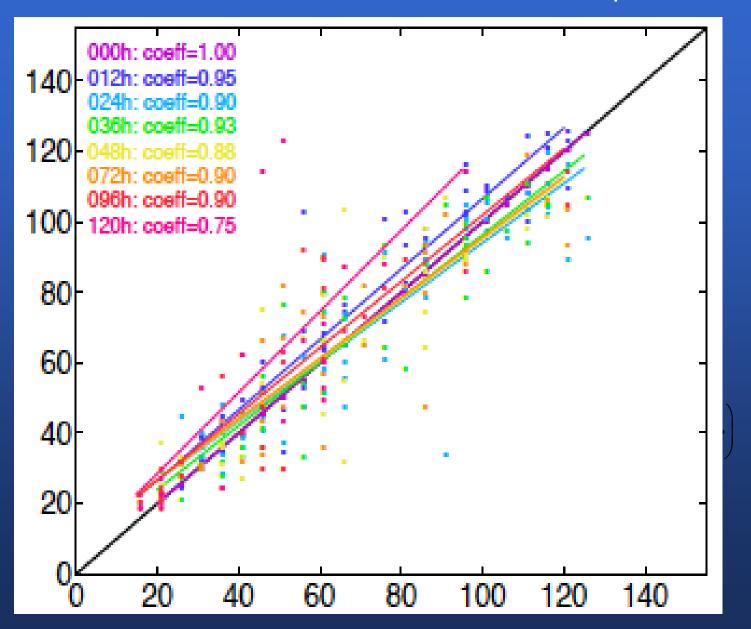
Performance with MTCSWA winds from John Knaff for all 2010 Atlantic hurricanes (>=Cat 1) every 6 hr

Mean Absolute intensity error with 60-h bias correction ABS Error of maxWSP (kts) for 2010–2010



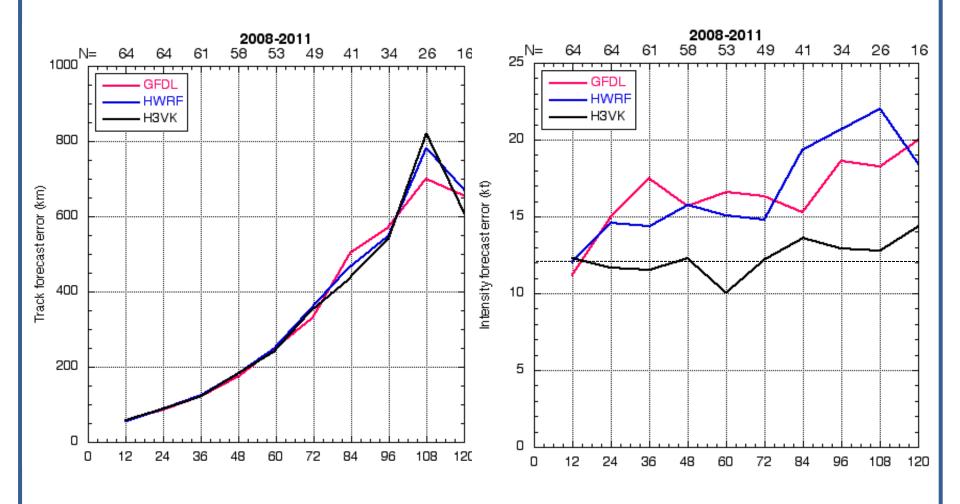
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1.5-km EnKF Predicted versus Best-track Maximum Wind Speed Error (kts)





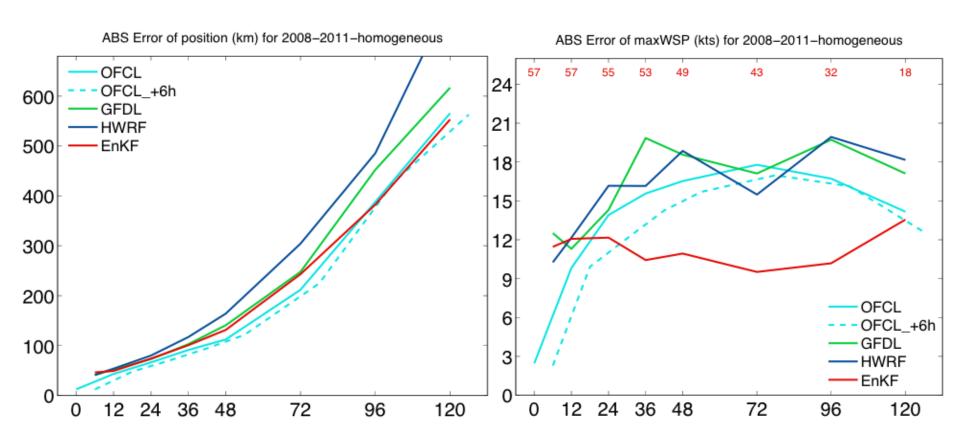
VORTEX-SCALE DA WITH NOAA/AOML/HRD's HEDAS 2008-2011 REAL-TIME & RETRO RUNS



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Mean Absolute Error and Ensemble Spread for 66 missions during 2008-2011



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