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## INCLUSION RELATIONS FOR K-UNIFORMLY STARLIKE FUNCTIONS AND SOME LINEAR OPERATOR

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### **Abstract**

*In this paper, we have established the inclusion relations for  $k$ -uniformly starlike functions under the  $L_q^s(\alpha_1)f(z)$  operator. These results are also extended to  $k$ -uniformly convex functions, close to convex and quasi-convex functions.*

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $A$  denote the class of functions that are analytic in the open unit disk  $U = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

A function  $f \in A$  is said to be in  $UST(k, \gamma)$ , the class of  $k$ -uniformly starlike functions of order  $\gamma$ ,  $0 \leq \gamma < 1$ , if  $f$  satisfies the condition

$$(1.2) \quad \Re \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > k \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| + \gamma, \quad (k \geq 0).$$

A function  $f \in A$  is said to be in  $UCV(k, \gamma)$ , the class of  $k$ -uniformly convex functions of order  $\gamma$ , if  $f$  satisfies the condition

$$(1.3) \quad \Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > k \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| + \gamma, \quad (k \geq 0).$$

Uniformly starlike and convex functions were first introduced by Goodman[7] and then studied by various authors. For a wealth of references, see Rønning [15].

Setting

$$(1.4) \quad \Omega_{k,\gamma} = \{u + iv; u > k\sqrt{(u-1)^2 + v^2} + \gamma\},$$

with  $p(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}$  or  $1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}$  and the considering the functions which map  $U$  onto the conic domain  $\Omega_{k,\gamma}$ , such that  $1 \in \Omega_{k,\gamma}$ , we may rewrite the conditions (1.2) or (1.3) in the form

$$(1.5) \quad p(z) \prec q_{k,\gamma}(z).$$

We note that the explicit forms of function  $q_{k,\gamma}$  for  $k = 0$  and  $k = 1$  are

$$q_{0,\gamma}(z) = \frac{1 + (1 - 2\gamma)z}{1 - z}, \text{ and } q_{1,\gamma}(z) = 1 + \frac{2(1 - \gamma)}{\pi^2} \left( \log \frac{1 + \sqrt{z}}{1 - \sqrt{z}} \right)^2.$$

For  $0 < k < 1$ , we obtain

$$q_{k,\gamma}(z) = \frac{1 - \gamma}{1 - k^2} \cos \left\{ \frac{2}{\pi} (\arccos k) \log \frac{1 + \sqrt{z}}{1 - \sqrt{z}} \right\} - \frac{k^2 - \gamma}{1 - k^2},$$

and if  $k > 1$ , then  $q_{k,\gamma}$  has the form

$$q_{k,\gamma}(z) = \frac{1-\gamma}{k^2-1} \operatorname{sin} \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2K(k)} \int_0^{\frac{u(z)}{\sqrt{k}}} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1-t^2}\sqrt{1-k^2t^2}} \right\} + \frac{k^2-\gamma}{k^2-1},$$

where  $u(z) = \frac{z-\sqrt{k}}{1-\sqrt{k}z}$  and  $K$  is such that  $k = \operatorname{cosh} \frac{\pi K'(z)}{4K(z)}$ .

By virtue of (1.5) and the properties of the domains  $\Omega_{k,\gamma}$  we have

$$(1.6) \quad \Re(p(z)) > \Re(q_{k,\gamma}(z)) > \frac{k+\gamma}{k+1}.$$

We define  $UCC(k, \gamma, \beta)$  to be the family of functions  $f \in A$  such that

$$\Re \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)} \right) > k \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)} - 1 \right| + \gamma, \quad (k \geq 0, \quad 0 \leq \gamma < 1),$$

for some  $g \in UST(k, \beta)$ .

Similarly, we define  $UQC(k, \gamma, \beta)$  to be the family of functions  $f \in A$  such that

$$\Re \left( \frac{(zf'(z))'}{g'(z)} \right) > k \left| \frac{(zf'(z))'}{g'(z)} - 1 \right| + \gamma, \quad (k \geq 0, \quad 0 \leq \gamma < 1),$$

for some  $g \in UCV(k, \beta)$ .

We note that  $UCC(0, \gamma, \beta)$  is the class of close to convex functions of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\beta$  and  $UQC(0, \gamma, \beta)$  is the class of quasi convex functions of order  $\gamma$  and type  $\beta$ .

The main object of this paper is to study the inclusion properties of the above mentioned classes under the following linear operator which is defined by Dziok [4].

The Fox-Wright psi function is defined by [5,p.50]

$$(1.7) \quad \cdot_q \psi_s^* \left[ \begin{matrix} (\alpha_i, A_i)_{1,q} \\ (\beta_i, B_i)_{1,s} \end{matrix} ; z \right] = \cdot_q \psi_s \left[ \begin{matrix} (\alpha_1, A_1), \dots, (\alpha_q, A_q) \\ (\beta_1, B_1), \dots, (\beta_s, B_s) \end{matrix} ; z \right]$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \prod_{i=1}^q \Gamma(\alpha_i + A_i n) \right) \left( \prod_{i=1}^s \Gamma(\beta_i + B_i n) \right)^{-1} \frac{z^n}{n!},$$

where  $\alpha_i \in C(i = 1, \dots, q)$ ,  $\beta_i \in C(i = 1, \dots, s)$  and the coefficients  $A_i \in R_+(i = 1, \dots, q)$  and  $B_i \in R_+(i = 1, \dots, s)$  such that

$$1 + \sum_{i=1}^s B_i - \sum_{i=1}^q A_i \geq 0, \quad (q, s \in N_0 = N \cup \{0\})$$

The normalized Fox-Wright psi function  ${}_q\psi_s^*(z)$  in series form is represented as

$${}_q\psi_s^* \left[ \begin{matrix} (\alpha_i, A_i)_{1,q} \\ (\beta_i, B_i)_{1,s} \end{matrix} ; z \right] = \frac{\Gamma\beta_1 \dots \Gamma\beta_s}{\Gamma\alpha_1 \dots \Gamma\alpha_q} {}_q\psi_s \left[ \begin{matrix} (\alpha_1, A_1), \dots, (\alpha_q, A_q) \\ (\beta_1, B_1), \dots, (\beta_s, B_s) \end{matrix} ; z \right] \quad (1.8)$$

The  ${}_q\psi_s(z)$  is a special case of Fox's H-function  $H_{k,l}^{m,n}(z)$  (see e.g. [5, p.50]) and  ${}_q\psi_s^*(z)$  is a generalization of the familiar generalized hypergeometric function  ${}_qF_s(z)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} {}_qF_s \left[ \begin{matrix} (\alpha_i)_{1,q} \\ (\beta_i)_{1,s} \end{matrix} ; z \right] &= {}_qF_s \left[ \begin{matrix} (\alpha_1), \dots, (\alpha_q) \\ (\beta_1), \dots, (\beta_s) \end{matrix} ; z \right] \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha_1)_n, \dots, (\alpha_q)_n}{(\beta_1)_n, \dots, (\beta_s)_n} \frac{z^n}{n!}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $(\alpha)_n$  is the Pochhammer symbol, defined in terms of the gamma function by

$$(\alpha)_n = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + n)}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$$

Corresponding to a function  $H_{q,s}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; A_1, \dots, A_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; B_1, \dots, B_s; z)$  is defined by

$$H_{q,s}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; A_1, \dots, A_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; B_1, \dots, B_s; z) = z {}_q\psi_s^*(z)$$

We consider a linear operator

$$\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; A_1, \dots, A_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; B_1, \dots, B_s)$$

defined by the convolution

$$\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; A_1, \dots, A_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; B_1, \dots, B_s)f(z)$$

$$= H_{q,s}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; A_1, \dots, A_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; B_1, \dots, B_s; z) * f(z)$$

For convenience, we write

$$L_q^s(\alpha_i) = L_q^s(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_q; A_1, \dots, A_q; \beta_1, \dots, \beta_s; B_1, \dots, B_s) \quad (i = 1, \dots, q)$$

Thus, after some calculations, we get

$$z(A_i L_q^s(\alpha_i) f(z))' = \alpha_i L_q^s(\alpha_i + 1) f(z) - (\alpha_i - A_i) L_q^s(\alpha_i) f(z) \quad (i = 1, \dots, q)$$

(1.9)

It should be noted that the linear operator  $L_q^s(\alpha_i)$  ( $i = 1, \dots, q$ ) is a generalization of many operators considered earlier. For a special case of this operator Carlson and Shaffer studied this operator under certain restrictions on parameters[2]. A more general operator was studied by Ponnusamy and Rønning [24]. Also note that special cases of this operator include the Hohlov operator[8], the Ruscheweyh derivative operator [16], the generalized Bernardi-Libera-Livingston linear operator (c.f.[1]) and the Srivastava -Owa fractional derivative operator (c. f. [13], [14]). Many subclasses of analytic functions associated with the operator  $L_q^s(\alpha_i)$  ( $i = 1, \dots, q$ ) and its many particular cases were investigated recently by Dziok and Srivastava [3,22,23], Liu and Srivastava [10,11] Gangadharan [18], Liu [9] and others (see also [14,19,20,21,25]).

We shall need the following Lemmas in the sequel to prove our theorems:

This lemma is given by Eenigenburg, Miller, Mocanu and Reade [6].

**Lemma 1.1.** Let  $\beta, \gamma$  be the complex constants and  $h$  be univalently in the unit disk  $U$  with  $h(0) = c$  and  $\Re(\beta h(z) + \gamma) > 0$ . Let  $g(z) = c + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_n z^n$  be analytic in  $U$ . Then

$$g(z) + \frac{z g'(z)}{\beta g(z) + \gamma} \prec h(z) \Rightarrow g(z) \prec h(z).$$

This lemma is given by Miller and Mocanu[17].

**Lemma 1.2.** Let  $h$  be the convex in the unit disk  $U$  and let  $E \geq 0$ . Suppose  $B(z)$  is analytic in  $U$  with  $\Re(B(z)) \geq E$ . If  $g$  is analytic in  $U$  and  $g(0) = h(0)$ . Then

$$E z^2 g''(z) + B(z) z g'(z) + g(z) \prec h(z) \Rightarrow g(z) \prec h(z).$$

## 2. Main Results

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $\Re(\alpha_1) > A_1 \left(\frac{1-\gamma}{k+1}\right)$  and  $f \in A$ . If  $\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f \in UST(k, \gamma)$  then  $\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f \in UST(k, \gamma)$ .

*Proof.* Setting

$$p(z) = \frac{z(A_1 \mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f(z))'}{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f(z)}$$

in (1.9), we can write

$$\alpha_1 \frac{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f(z)}{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f(z)} = \frac{z(A_1 \mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f(z))'}{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f(z)} + (\alpha_1 - A_1) = p(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1) \quad (2.1)$$

Differentiating (2.1) yields

$$(2.2) \quad \frac{z(A_1 \mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f(z))'}{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f(z)} = p(z) + \frac{zA_1p'(z)}{p(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1)}$$

From this and argument given in section 1 we may write

$$p(z) + \frac{zA_1p'(z)}{p(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1)} \prec q_{k,\gamma}(z)$$

Therefore the theorem follows by Lemma(1.1) and the condition (1.6) since  $q_{k,\gamma}$  is univalent and convex in  $U$  and  $\Re(q_{k,\gamma}) > \left(\frac{k+\gamma}{k+1}\right)$  which proves the required result.

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $\Re(\alpha_1) > A_1 \left(\frac{1-\gamma}{k+1}\right)$  and  $f \in A$ . If  $\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f \in UCV(k, \gamma)$  then  $\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f \in UCV(k, \gamma)$ .

**Proof.** By virtue of (1.2), (1.3) and Theorem 2.1, we have

$$\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f \in UCV(k, \gamma) \Leftrightarrow z(\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f)' \in UST(k, \gamma)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)zf' \in UST(k, \gamma)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)zf' \in UST(k, \gamma)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f \in UCV(k, \gamma)$$

and the proof is complete.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $\Re(\alpha_1) > A_1 \left(\frac{1-\gamma}{k+1}\right)$  and  $f \in A$ . If  $\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f \in UCC(k, \gamma, \beta)$  then  $\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f \in UCC(k, \gamma, \beta)$ .

**Proof.** Since  $\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f \in UCC(k, \gamma, \beta)$ , by definition, we can write

$$\frac{z(A_1\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f)'(z)}{k(z)} \prec q_{k,\gamma}(z)$$

for some  $k(z) \in UST(k, \beta)$ . For  $g$  such that  $\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)g(z) = k(z)$ , we have

$$(2.3) \quad \frac{z(A_1\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f)'(z)}{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)g(z)} \prec q_{k,\gamma}(z).$$

Let  $h(z) = \frac{z(A_1\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)'(z)}{(\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g(z))}$  and  $H(z) = \frac{z(\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g)'(z)}{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g(z)}$  we observe that  $h$  and  $H$  are analytic in  $U$  and  $h(0) = H(0) = 1$ . Now by Theorem 2.1,  $\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g \in UST(k, \beta)$  and so  $\Re H(z) > \frac{k+\beta}{k+1}$ . Also, note that

$$(2.4) \quad z(A_1\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)'(z) = (\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g(z))h(z).$$

Differentiating both sides of (2.4) yields

$$\frac{z(A_1\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)(zf'))'(z)}{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g(z)} = \frac{z(\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g)'(z)}{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g(z)}h(z) + zh'(z) = H(z)h(z) + zh'(z).$$

Now using identity (1.9), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{z(A_1\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f)'(z)}{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)g(z)} = \frac{A_1(\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)(zf'))(z)}{\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)g(z)} \\ & = \frac{A_1[z(A_1\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)(zf'))'(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1)\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)(zf')(z)]}{z(A_1\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g)'(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1)\mathbf{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g(z)} \\ & = \frac{A_1[H(z)h(z) + zh'(z) + \frac{(\alpha_1 - A_1)}{A_1}h(z)]}{A_1H(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1)} = h(z) + \frac{zh'(z)}{A_1H(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1)} \end{aligned}$$

(2.5)

From (2.3),(2.4) and (2.5) we conclude that

$$h(z) + \frac{zh'(z)}{A_1H(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1)} \prec q_{k,\gamma}(z).$$

Let  $E = 0$  and  $B(z) = \frac{1}{A_1H(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1)}$ , we obtain

$$\Re(B(z)) = \frac{1}{|A_1H(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1)|^2} \Re(A_1H(z) + (\alpha_1 - A_1)) > 0.$$

The above inequality satisfies the conditions required by Lemma (1.2). Hence  $h(z) \prec q_{k,\gamma}(z)$  and so the proof is complete.

Using a similar argument to that in Theorem 2.2 we can prove the following Theorem.

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $\Re(\alpha_1) > A_1 \left(\frac{1-\gamma}{k+1}\right)$  and  $f \in A$ . If  $\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1 + 1)f \in UQC(k, \gamma, \beta)$  then  $\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f \in UQC(k, \gamma, \beta)$ .

Finally, we examine the closure property of the above classes of functions under the generalized Bernardi-Libera-Livingston operator  $L_a(f)$  which is defined by

$$L_a(f) = \frac{a+1}{z^a} \int_0^z t^{a-1} f(t) dt, \quad (a > -1).$$

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $a > \left(\frac{-(k+\gamma)}{k+1}\right)$ . If  $\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f \in UST(k, \gamma)$  so is  $L_a(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)$ .

**Proof.** From definition of  $L_a(f)$  and the linearity of the operator  $\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)$  we have

$$(2.6) \quad z(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(f))'(z) = (a+1)\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f(z) - a(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(f))(z).$$

Substituting  $\frac{z(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(f))'(z)}{(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(f))(z)} = p(z)$  in (2.6) we may write

$$(2.7) \quad p(z) = \frac{(a+1)\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f(z)}{(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(f))(z)} - a.$$

Differentiating (2.7) gives

$$\frac{z(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)'(z)}{(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)(z)} = p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z) + a}.$$



Now, the theorem follows by Lemma(1.1), since  $\Re(q_{k,\gamma}(z) + a) > 0$ . A similar argument leads to

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $a > \left(\frac{-(k+\gamma)}{k+1}\right)$ . If  $\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f \in UCV(k, \gamma)$  so is  $L_a(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $a > \left(\frac{-(k+\gamma)}{k+1}\right)$ . If  $\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f \in UCC(k, \gamma, \beta)$  so is  $L_a(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)$ .

**Proof.** By definition there exists a function  $k(z) = (\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g)(z) \in UST(k, \beta)$  such that

$$(2.8) \quad \frac{z(A_1\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)'(z)}{\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g(z)} \prec q_{k,\gamma}(z), \quad (z \in U).$$

Now from (2.6) we have

$$(2.9) \quad \frac{z(A_1\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)'(z)}{\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g(z)} = \frac{z(A_1\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(zf'))'(z) + aA_1\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(zf')(z)}{z(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(g(z)))'(z) + a(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(g))(z)}$$

Since  $\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g \in UST(k, \beta)$ , by Theorem 2.5, we have  $L_a(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)g) \in UST(k, \beta)$ .

Let  $H(z) = \frac{z(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(g))'(z)}{\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(g)(z)}$  we note that  $\Re(H(z)) > \frac{k+\beta}{k+1}$ . Now, let  $h$  be defined by

$$(2.10) \quad z(A_1\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(f))' = h(z)(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(g))(z).$$

Differentiating both sides of (2.10) yields

$$(2.11) \quad \frac{z(A_1\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)(zL_a(f))')'(z)}{(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(g))(z)} = \frac{z(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(g))'(z)}{(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)L_a(g))(z)}h(z) + zh'(z) = H(z)h(z) + zh'(z)$$

Therefore from (2.9) and (2.11) we obtain

$$\frac{z(A_1\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)'(z)}{(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)(g))(z)} = \frac{zh'(z) + h(z)H(z) + ah(z)}{H(z) + a}$$

This conjunction with (2.8) leads to

$$(2.12) \quad h(z) + \frac{zh'(z)}{H(z)+a} \prec q_{k,\gamma}(z).$$

Assuming  $E = 0$  and  $B(z) = \frac{1}{H(z)+a}$ , we obtain

$\Re(B(z)) > 0$ , if  $a > \frac{-(k+\beta)}{k+1}$ . Now, we conclude that the proof since the required conditions of lemma 1.2 are satisfied. A similar argument yields

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $a > \left(\frac{-(k+\gamma)}{k+1}\right)$ . If  $\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f \in UQC(k, \gamma, \beta)$  so is  $L_a(\mathbb{L}_q^s(\alpha_1)f)$ .

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