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### Common Security Misconceptions and Vulnerabilities on IBM i



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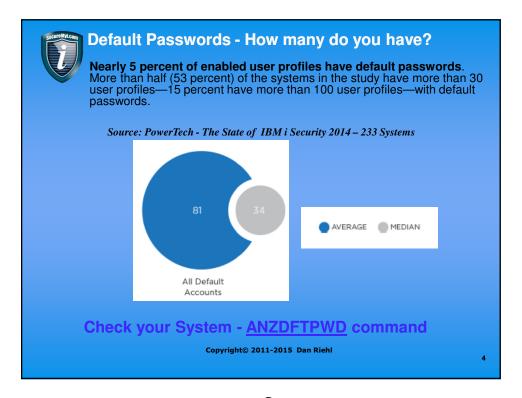


- The First Step User Passwords An Easy Entry Point?
  - Default Passwords, Harvesting Passwords, Sharing Passwords
- Special Service Profiles Initial Program and Menu
- User Limited Capabilities (i.e. LMTCPB(\*YES))
- The User Class \*SECOFR, \*SECADM, \*SYSOPR \*PGMR \*USER...
- Misconceptions about Ownership and Authority to User Profiles
- Misconceptions about Object Authority when using Authorization Lists
- Is your system vulnerable to a Virus, Worm or other malware?

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#### **Shared Passwords**

- One user Profile and Password shared by multiple users
  - Violates audit and control standards
  - No accountability for actions to the individual user
  - Seen often on Manufacturing Shop Floor, Retail Desk, Casino Floor
  - If you have this audit control defect, make sure your security policy and IT auditors support it, along with your <u>compensating controls</u>
- Used for QSYSOPR, QSECOFR, XXXUSER
- Often seen in a common NetServer Log-On for Mapped Drive
- Often used for the Sign-on Server Log-On
  - Very dangerous!
  - Typically means all ODBC, file transfers, all IBM i Access functions run under the shared ID
- No Sharing of Passwords!

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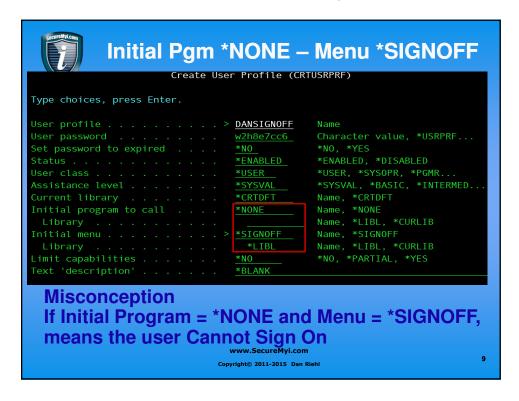
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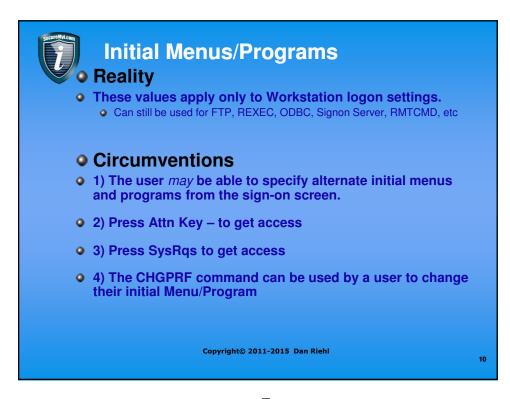
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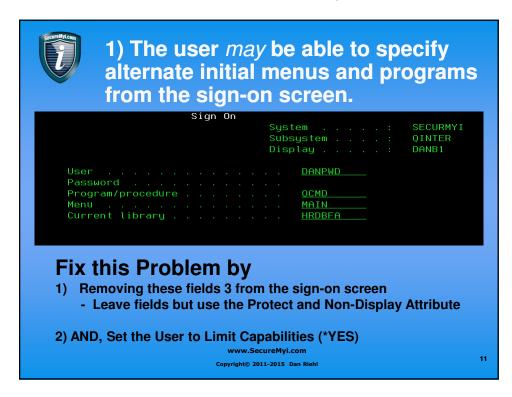
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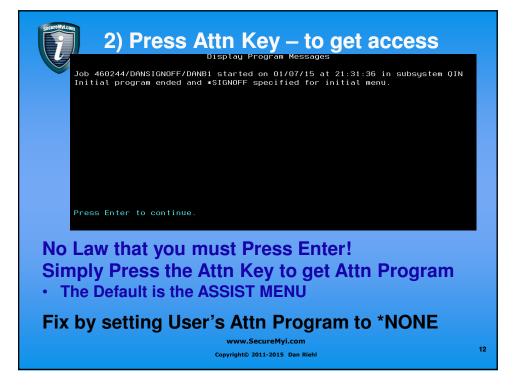
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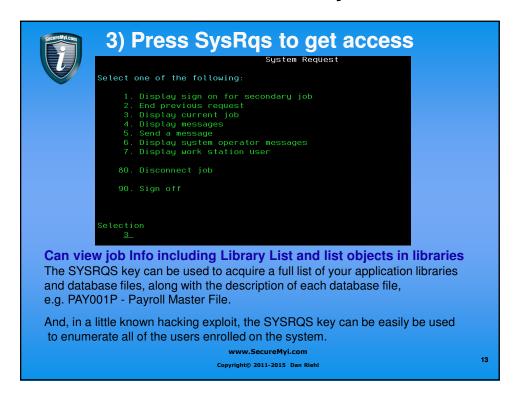
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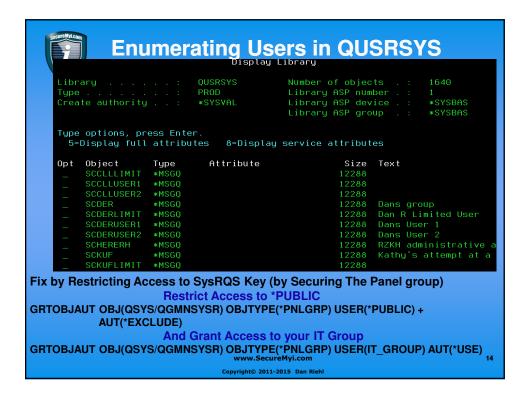


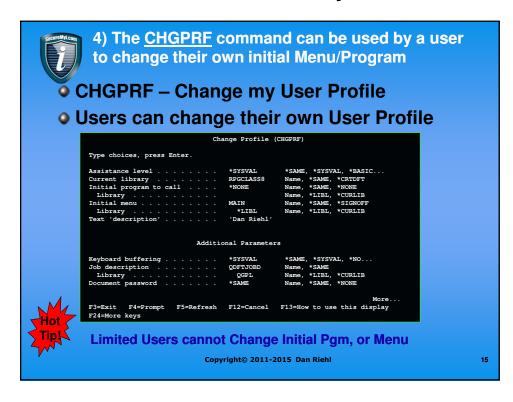


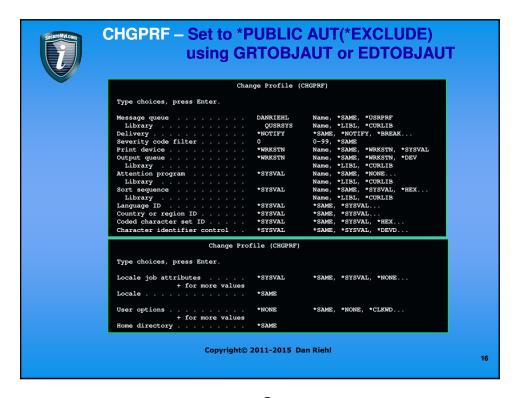














### **Common Misconceptions**

### **User Limited Capabilities**

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### **User Limited Capabilities**

- System users can gain access to a Command Line through Various IBM supplied screens
  - From Operational Assistant Menu (ATTN Program)
    - WRKSPLF Work with Spooled Files My Reports
    - WRKUSRJOB Work with User Jobs My Jobs
  - Most IBM Supplied Menus (e.g. GO MAIN, GO USER)
- Danger in Ad-Hoc End User CL Commands
  - DLTF CUSTOMER Delete Customer File
  - WRKACTJOB Work with Active Jobs
- CRTUSRPRF CSMITH ... LMTCPB(\*YES)
  - Impose restriction on running commands at the command line

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CRTUSRPRF CSMITH ... LMTCPB(\*YES)

### **Common Misconception**

Users that are LMTCPB(\*YES)
CANNOT RUN CL COMMANDS

Or rather, CANNOT RUN CL COMMANDS Ad Hoc

**DLTF MYFILE** 

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#### **Reality of Limited Capabilities**

- Limited Capabilities Users
  - CAN RUN certain commands at the command line
    - Sign off (SIGNOFF)
    - Send message (SNDMSG)
    - Display messages (DSPMSG)
    - Display job (DSPJOB)
    - Display job log (DSPJOBLOG)
    - Work with Messages (WRKMSG)

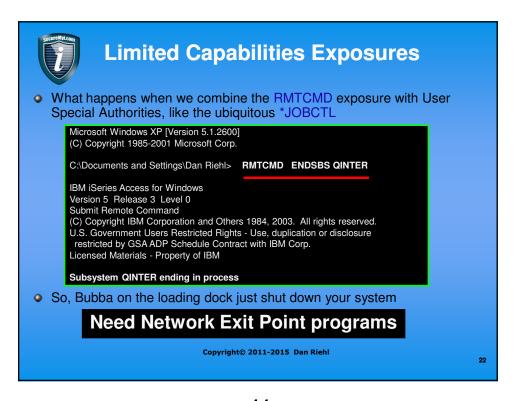
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- Any CL command can be changed to Allow Limited Users to Run the Command at a Command line (Command Attribute ALWLMTUSR)
- CHGCMD CMD(WRKSPLF) ALWLMTUSR(\*YES)

Software vendors often ship you CL Commands that are Allowed!

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End Users CAN RUN CL commands, even with limited capabilities.

- Allowed CL Commands at a Command Line(What is Allowed?????)
- ODBC SQL CALL QCMDEXC ('DLTF MYFILE' 11)
- RMTCMD.EXE RMTCMD DLTF MYFILE
- IBM i Navigator Run Command (Uses RMTCMD)
- Fix by Controlling RMTCMD with Network Exit Programs
- Determine which commands on your system are Allowed.
- The SecureMyi Newsletter CL Command WRKCMDSEC does this for you. http://www.securemyi.com/nl/articles/cmdsec.html www.secureMyi.com

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### **Common Misconception**

### The User Class Determines how Powerful a User Is

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Does not specify what special Authorities a User has

- Used to determine which menu options are shown on IBM supplied menus,
   and optionally to provide default special authorities
- Default Special Authorities (Security Level 30 and Higher)
  - \*USER NO special authorities
  - \*SYSOPR \*JOBCTL, \*SAVSYS
  - \*PGMR NO special authorities
  - \*SECADM \*SECADM
  - \*SECOFR ALL 8 special authorities

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#### **User Special Authorities**

- User profiles can be assigned special authorities
  - \*ALLOBJ allows access to all resource on the system
  - \*SECADM ability to manage user profiles
  - \*JOBCTL control all jobs and IPL the system
  - \*SPLCTL control all spool files, and jobs in job queues
  - \*SAVSYS ability to save and restore any object
  - \*SERVICE ability to run STRSST command
  - \*AUDIT control all system auditing functions
  - \*IOSYSCFG configure system communications
- See Article "Common Misconceptions on IBM i User Class \*SECOFR"

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### **Common Misconceptions**

On User Profile Ownership and Authority to User Profiles

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### **Ownership and Authority to User Profiles**

#### **Common Misconception**

Ownership of User profiles is not a significant security related item. They can be owned by anyone. (Bill, Tom, Mary, Jenny)

\*Public and Private Authority to User Profiles is not a big deal that needs any attention.

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#### **Ownership and Authority to User Profiles**

#### Ownership

 User Profiles, as all other objects, are owned by the Creator or the Profile, or by the Creator's Primary Group Profile

#### Authority

- Owner of a User Profile has \*ALL authority to the Profile
- Unless specified otherwise, User Profiles are created with \*PUBLIC AUT(\*EXCLUDE)

#### CRTUSRPRF USRPRF(MYUSER) ... AUT(\*EXCLUDE)

 User Profiles are never created with any Private authorities

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#### Reality of Ownership and Authority to User Profiles

- If you have at least \*USE authority to a User Profile, you can assume the identity of that User to perform unsanctioned tasks, without knowing the User's password. Breaking Segregation of Duties Policy.
- Too many User Profiles provide \*USE or higher authority to the Owner and \*PUBLIC and through excessive Private Authorities.
- Software Vendors OFTEN ship Powerful User Profiles(\*ALLOBJ) that are \*PUBLIC(\*CHANGE or \*ALL)

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#### Reality of Ownership and Authority to User Profiles

- Exploiting the User Profile Authorization Exposure
- If you have \*USE rights or more to another User Profile, you can run batch jobs(SBMJOB) as that user, or schedule jobs(ADDJOBSCDE) to run under that user profile.

SBMJOB CMD(CHGUSRPRF USRPRF(DANR) +
SPCAUT(\*ALLOBJ \*SECADM \*JOBCTL \*SERVICE)) +
USER(POWERUSER)

- Running this command will give me everything needed to rule the entire system. It submits a batch job that runs under the POWERUSER profile, and assigns me the Special Authorities, including \*ALLOBJ.
- We incorrectly provide elevated authority to Data and Services through User Profile Ownership and through excessive \*PUBLIC and Private authorities.

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### Reality of Ownership and Authority to User Profiles

- Exploiting the User Profile Authorization Exposure
- If you have \*USE rights or higher to an application User Profile, you can run any job that User can run, and access any file, as that User.

SBMJOB CMD(RUNQRY QRYFILE( PAYROLL/PAYFILE )) + USER(PAYUSER)

- I have just listed out the entire content of the secured Payroll Master File
- If you have \*USE or higher authority to another User profile, you can use the User Profile SWAP APIs to swap to another profile without supplying a Password.
- The command line restriction of LMTCPB is NO protection. The SBMJOB command can be run using RMTCMD.exe.

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#### Recommendations

• Check the authorizations on your user profiles. The following command will list out all the \*PUBLIC and Private authorities of your user profiles. All Profiles should be **PUBLIC AUT(\*EXCLUDE)** and have no private authorities(except groups).

#### PRTPVTAUT OBJTYPE(\*USRPRF)

If you see user profiles listed in the resulting report with \*PUBLIC \*USE or greater authority, YOU HAVE THE EXPOSURE!

- To list ONLY User profiles that provide \*PUBLIC access, use the command:
   PRTPUBAUT OBJTYPE(\*USRPRF)
- Set all User Profiles to \*PUBLIC AUT(\*EXCLUDE) (Test! Test!)
- Change the owner of all Non-IBM supplied user profiles to QSECOFR, and revoke the current owner's authority.
- Contact software vendors for changing their profile Owners and AUT(\*EXCLUDE)
- Implement an exit program to change the owner of all newly created User Profiles to QSECOFR. (SecureMyi Security Newsletter - Command CRTPRFEXIT)

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### **Common Misconceptions**

Misconceptions about Object Authority when using Authorization Lists

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#### **Authorization Lists \*AUTL**

#### Authorization List Defined

 An Authorization List is a list of \*PUBLIC and Private Authorities that can be used as a template for assigning similar authorities to multiple objects

#### Typical Use of Authorization List

 Secure all files in a Library to one Group Profile for \*USE(Read Only), and another Group Profile for \*CHANGE(Update), and all others, \*PUBLIC AUT(\*EXCLUDE).

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### Misconceptions Of Authorization Lists

### **Misconceptions**

- When an \*AUTL is assigned to an Object, all authorizations to the Object are stored in the \*AUTL.
- \*PUBLIC Authority to the objects secured by the \*AUTL will always be determined from the \*AUTL.
- \*AUTL Ownership is not significant

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Reality of *AUTL
                          Display Authorization List
                           PRODLIB_O
Object . . . . . . :
                                                                         PAYUSER
                                             Owner . . . . . . :
  Library . . . . :
                             QSYS
                                             Primary group . . . :
                                                                         *NONE
              Object
User
            Authority
            *EXCLUDE
*PUBLIC
PAYUSER
            *ALL
                                      Effective Authorities
GROUP_IT
             *USE
GROUP_OPS
            *USE
            *CHANGE
QPGMR
                            Display Object Authority
Object . . . . . . :
Library . . . . :
Object type . . . :
                        CSCSTP
                                                               BOBTHETECH
                         PRODLIB
                                       Primary group . . . :
ASP device . . . . :
                        *FILE
                                                                *SYSBAS
Object secured by authorization list . . . . . . . . . :
                                                               PRODLIB O
                        Object
User
*PUBLIC
                                       Effective Authorities
                       *CHANGE
BOBTHETECH
                       *ALL
GROUP_OPS
                       *CHANGE
OPGMR
                       *ALL
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Reality of *AUTL
                           Display Authorization List
Object . . . . . . :
                            PRODLIB_O
                                               Owner . . . . . :
                                                                           PAYUSER
  Library . . . . :
                              QSYS
                                               Primary group . . . :
              Object
User
             Authority
*PUBLIC
             *EXCLUDE
PAYUSER
              *ALL
                                              Effective Authorities
GROUP_IT
             *USE
            *USE
GROUP OPS
QPGMR
             *CHANGE
                             Display Object Authority
Object . . . . . :
Library . . . . :
Object type . . . :
                        CSCSTP
                                        Owner . . . . . :
Primary group . . :
ASP device . . . . :
                                                                 PAYUSER Was BOBTHETEC
                          PRODLIB
                         *FILE
                                                                 *SYSBAS
Object secured by authorization list . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . PRODLIB_O
                        Object
Authority
User
           Group
                                 Was *CHANGE
*PUBLIC
                        *AUTL
                                              Effective Authorities
Removed all Private Authorities
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### Reality of \*AUTL - Fixing it!

- For the \*AUTL to set the \*PUBLIC authority for the objects secured by the list, the object \*PUBLIC authority must be set to the value \*AUTL
- Object and \*AUTL ownership is critical and must not convey improper \*ALL authority(Use an Owner Profile, PRODOWNER)
- Remove all Private Authorities from the Objects
- Conflicting Authorities are resolved based upon the system's authority checking order
  - User specified in Object
  - User specified in \*AUTL
  - Group specified in Object
  - Group specified in \*AUTL

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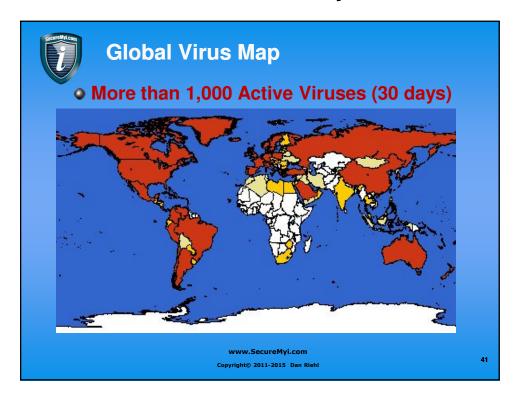
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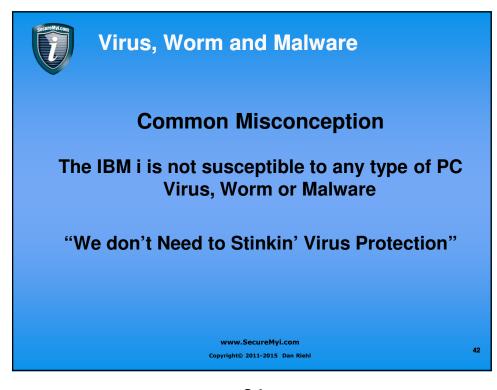


### **Common Misconception**

IBM i is not Vulnerable to Virus, Worms or other Malware?

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#### Virus, Worms, Malware?

IBM Technical Document #19541539
Viruses, the Operating System, and the Integrated File System

"The operating system is not susceptible to <u>PC</u> <u>virus attacks</u>. Viruses attack a specific computer architecture. The architecture of the IBM System i makes it highly unlikely that a virus could be written to attack it. PC-based viruses will not infect (or run on) the operating system."

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#### Reality of Virus, Worms Malware

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"Although the operating system can not be infected by a PC virus, if the Integrated File System on the operating system is used as a file server for PC files, the files stored on the Integrated File System may carry viruses. An infected file that is moved or saved from a PC to the Integrated File System and then redistributed to another PC can transmit a virus to the new PC. Likewise, if a network drive is mapped to the Integrated File System, a virus running on a PC (and which is capable of damaging files on a network drive) can damage any file stored on the Integrated File System."

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#### **Reality of Virus, Worm Malware**

- The Main Exposures come from
  - Shared Network Drives NetServer
  - POP3 Mail Server Attachments
  - Domino Mail Server Attachments
  - Purposely transmitted to IFS via FTP
- Yes... the IFS can be a Virus carrier that can further infect computers on the network

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#### **IBM Supported IFS Virus Scan**

- IBM added 2 System Values and 2 Exit Points to Support Native IFS Virus Scanning Options
- System Values to control IFS Scanning Environment
  - QSCANFS and QSCANFSCTL
- Exit Points Supported
  - QIBM\_QP0L\_SCAN\_OPEN IFS Scan on Open Exit Point
  - QIBM\_QP0L\_SCAN\_CLOSE IFS Scan on Close Exit Point
- IBM Business Partners
   Integrated Native Virus Scanners

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