

OSTROWSKI TYPE INEQUALITIES FOR HARMONICALLY QUASI-CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we give some new Ostrowski type inequalities for the class of functions whose derivatives in absolute value at certain powers are harmonically quasi-convex functions.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ is an interval, be a mapping differentiable in I° (the interior of I) and let $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$. If $|f'(x)| \leq M$, for all $x \in [a, b]$, then the following inequality holds

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq \frac{M}{b-a} \left[\frac{(x-a)^2 + (b-x)^2}{2} \right] \quad (1)$$

for all $x \in [a, b]$. This inequality is known in the literature as the Ostrowski inequality (see [10]), which gives an upper bound for the approximation of the integral average $\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt$ by the value $f(x)$ at point $x \in [a, b]$.

The notion of quasi-convex functions generalizes the notion of convex functions. More precisely, a function $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said quasi-convex on $[a, b]$ if

$$f(\alpha x + (1-\alpha)y) \leq \sup \{f(x), f(y)\},$$

for any $x, y \in [a, b]$ and $\alpha \in [0, 1]$. Clearly, any convex function is a quasi-convex function. Furthermore, there exist quasi-convex functions which are not convex (see [4]).

For some results which generalize, improve and extend the inequalities (1) concerning quasi-convex functions we refer the reader to see [1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11] and plenty of references therein.

In [8], the author gave harmonically convex and established Hermite-Hadamard's inequality for harmonically convex functions as follows:

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Definition 1. Let $I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ be a real interval. A function $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be harmonically convex, if

$$f\left(\frac{xy}{tx + (1-t)y}\right) \leq tf(y) + (1-t)f(x) \quad (2)$$

for all $x, y \in I$ and $t \in [0, 1]$. If the inequality in (2) is reversed, then f is said to be harmonically concave.

Theorem 1. Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a harmonically convex function and $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $f \in L[a, b]$ then the following inequalities hold

$$f\left(\frac{2ab}{a+b}\right) \leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx \leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2}. \quad (3)$$

The above inequalities are sharp.

In [11], Zhang et al. defined the harmonically quasi-convex function and supplied several properties of this kind of functions.

Definition 2. A function $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is said to be harmonically convex, if

$$f\left(\frac{xy}{tx + (1-t)y}\right) \leq \sup\{f(x), f(y)\}$$

for all $x, y \in I$ and $t \in [0, 1]$.

We would like to point out that any harmonically convex function on $I \subseteq (0, \infty)$ is a harmonically quasi-convex function, but not conversely. For example, the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in (0, 1]; \\ (x-2)^2, & x \in [1, 4]. \end{cases}$$

is harmonically quasi-convex on $(0, 4]$, but it is not harmonically convex on $(0, 4]$.

In [11], by using the following lemma, Zhang et al. obtained some new Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for harmonically quasi-convex functions.

Lemma 1. Let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° and $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $f' \in L[a, b]$ then

$$\frac{bf(b) - af(a)}{b-a} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_0^1 \frac{a^2 b^2}{(tb + (1-t)a)^3} f'\left(\frac{ab}{a + t(b-a)}\right) dt.$$

In order to prove our main results we need the following lemma:

Lemma 2. Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° and $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. If $f' \in L[a, b]$ then

$$\begin{aligned} & f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \\ &= \frac{ab}{b-a} \left\{ (x-a)^2 \int_0^1 \frac{t}{(ta+(1-t)x)^2} f' \left(\frac{ax}{ta+(1-t)x} \right) dt \right. \\ &\quad \left. - (b-x)^2 \int_0^1 \frac{t}{(tb+(1-t)x)^2} f' \left(\frac{bx}{tb+(1-t)x} \right) dt \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

A simple proof of equality can be given by performing integration by parts in the integrals of the right side and changing the variable (see [9]).

In this paper, by using Lemma 2, we obtained some new Ostrowski type inequalities for harmonically quasi-convex functions.

2. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 2. Let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° , $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$, and $f' \in L[a, b]$. If $|f'|^q$ is harmonically quasi-convex on $[a, b]$ for $q \geq 1$, then for all $x \in [a, b]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \\ & \leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left\{ (x-a)^2 \left(C_1(a, x, q, q) \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q \} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + (b-x)^2 \left(C_2(b, x, q, q) \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q \} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}, \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} C_1(a, x, \vartheta, \rho) &= \frac{\beta(\rho+1, 1)}{x^{2\vartheta}} {}_2F_1 \left(2\vartheta, \rho+1; \rho+2; 1 - \frac{a}{x} \right), \\ C_2(b, x, \vartheta, \rho) &= \frac{\beta(1, \rho+1)}{b^{2\vartheta}} {}_2F_1 \left(2\vartheta, 1; \rho+2; 1 - \frac{x}{b} \right), \end{aligned}$$

β is Euler Beta function defined by

$$\beta(x, y) = \frac{\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y)}{\Gamma(x+y)} = \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} dt, \quad x, y > 0,$$

and ${}_2F_1$ is hypergeometric function defined by

$${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = \frac{1}{\beta(b, c-b)} \int_0^1 t^{b-1} (1-t)^{c-b-1} (1-zt)^{-a} dt, \quad c > b > 0, \quad |z| < 1 \quad (\text{see [3]}).$$

Proof. From Lemma 2, Power mean inequality and the harmonically quasi-convexity of $|f'|^q$ on $[a, b]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \\
& \leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left\{ (x-a)^2 \int_0^1 \frac{t}{(ta+(1-t)x)^2} \left| f' \left(\frac{ax}{ta+(1-t)x} \right) \right| dt \right. \\
& \quad \left. + (b-x)^2 \int_0^1 \frac{t}{(tb+(1-t)x)^2} \left| f' \left(\frac{bx}{tb+(1-t)x} \right) \right| dt \right\} \\
& \leq \frac{ab(x-a)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 1 dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \quad (5) \\
& \quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \frac{t^q}{(ta+(1-t)x)^{2q}} \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q \} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \quad + \frac{ab(b-x)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 1 dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \frac{t^q}{(tb+(1-t)x)^{2q}} \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q \} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}},
\end{aligned}$$

where an easy calculation gives

$$\int_0^1 \frac{t^q}{(ta+(1-t)x)^{2q}} dt = \frac{\beta(q+1, 1)}{x^{2q}} {}_2F_1 \left(2q, q+1; q+2; 1 - \frac{a}{x} \right), \quad (6)$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{t^q}{(tb+(1-t)x)^{2q}} dt = \frac{\beta(1, q+1)}{b^{2q}} {}_2F_1 \left(2q, 1; q+2; 1 - \frac{x}{b} \right). \quad (7)$$

Hence, If we use (6) and (7) in (5), we obtain the desired result. This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 3. Let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° , $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$, and $f' \in L[a, b]$. If $|f'|^q$ is harmonically quasi-convex on $[a, b]$ for $q \geq 1$, then for all $x \in [a, b]$, we have

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \quad (8)$$

$$\leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ (x-a)^2 (C_1(a, x, q, 1) \sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q\})^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ \left. + (b-x)^2 (C_2(b, x, q, 1) \sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q\})^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}$$

where C_1 and C_2 are defined as in Theorem 2.

Proof. From Lemma 2, Power mean inequality and the harmonically s -convexity of $|f'|^q$ on $[a, b]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \\ & \leq \frac{ab(x-a)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 t dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \frac{t}{(ta+(1-t)x)^{2q}} \sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q\} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{ab(b-x)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 t dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \frac{t}{(tb+(1-t)x)^{2q}} \sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q\} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ (x-a)^2 (C_1(a, x, q, 1) \sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q\})^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + (b-x)^2 (C_2(b, x, q, 1) \sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q\})^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 4. Let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° , $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$, and $f' \in L[a, b]$. If $|f'|^q$ is harmonically quasi-convex on $[a, b]$ for $q \geq 1$, then for all $x \in [a, b]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \\ & \leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left\{ C_3(a, x) (x-a)^2 (\sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q\})^{1/q} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + C_3(b, x) (b-x)^2 (\sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q\})^{1/q} \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

where

$$C_3(\theta, x) = \frac{1}{x-\theta} \left\{ \frac{1}{\theta} - \frac{\ln x - \ln \theta}{x-\theta} \right\}.$$

Proof. From Lemma 2, Power mean inequality and the harmonically quasi-convexity of $|f'|^q$ on $[a, b]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \\
& \leq \frac{ab(x-a)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 \frac{t}{(ta+(1-t)x)^2} dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \frac{t}{(ta+(1-t)x)^2} \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q \} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \quad + \frac{ab(b-x)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 \frac{t}{(tb+(1-t)x)^2} dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\
& \quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \frac{t}{(tb+(1-t)x)^2} \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q \} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

It is easily checked that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{t}{(ta+(1-t)x)^2} dt = \frac{1}{x-a} \left\{ \frac{1}{a} - \frac{\ln x - \ln a}{x-a} \right\}, \tag{11}$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{t}{(tb+(1-t)x)^2} dt = \frac{1}{b-x} \left\{ \frac{\ln b - \ln x}{b-x} - \frac{1}{b} \right\}, \tag{12}$$

Hence, If we use (11) and (12) in (10), we obtain the desired result. This completes the proof. \square

For $q \geq 1$, we can give the following result:

Corollary 1. Let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° , $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$, and $f' \in L[a, b]$. If $|f'|^q$ is harmonically quasi-convex on $[a, b]$ for $q \geq 1$. If $|f'(x)| \leq M$, $x \in [a, b]$ then

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \leq \frac{abM}{b-a} \min \{ I_1, I_2, I_3 \}$$

where

$$I_1 = (x-a)^2 C_1^{1/q}(a, x, s, q, q) + (b-x)^2 C_2^{1/q}(b, x, s, q, q)$$

$$I_2 = \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ (x-a)^2 C_1^{1/q}(a, x, q, 1) + (b-x)^2 C_2^{1/q}(b, x, q, 1) \right\}$$

$$I_3 = C_3(a, x) (x-a)^2 + C_3(b, x) (b-x)^2$$

Theorem 5. Let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° , $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$, and $f' \in L[a, b]$. If $|f'|^q$ is harmonically quasi-convex on $[a, b]$ for $q > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ (x-a)^2 \left(C_1(a, x, q, 0) \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q \} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + (b-x)^2 \left(C_2(b, x, q, 0) \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q \} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where C_1 and C_2 are defined as in Theorem 2.

Proof. From Lemma 2, Hölder's inequality and the harmonically convexity of $|f'|^q$ on $[a, b]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \leq \frac{ab(x-a)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 t^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & \quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \frac{1}{(ta + (1-t)x)^{2q}} \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q \} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \quad + \frac{ab(b-x)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 t^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & \quad \times \left(\int_0^1 \frac{1}{(tb + (1-t)x)^{2q}} \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q \} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ & \leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ (x-a)^2 \left(C_1(a, x, q, 0) \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q \} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + (b-x)^2 \left(C_2(b, x, q, 0) \sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q \} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 6. Let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° , $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$, and $f' \in L[a, b]$. If $|f'|^q$ is harmonically quasi-convex on $[a, b]$ for $q > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \\ & \leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left\{ (C_1(a, x, p, p))^{\frac{1}{p}} (x-a)^2 \left(\sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q \} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + (C_2(b, x, p, p))^{\frac{1}{p}} (b-x)^2 \left(\sup \{ |f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q \} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

where C_1 and C_2 are defined as in Theorem 2.

Proof. From Lemma 2, Hölder's inequality and the harmonically quasi-convexity of $|f'|^q$ on $[a, b]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| &\leq \frac{ab(x-a)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 \frac{t^p}{(ta+(1-t)x)^{2p}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\times \left(\int_0^1 \sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q\} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &+ \frac{ab(b-x)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 \frac{t^p}{(tb+(1-t)x)^{2p}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_0^1 \sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q\} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left\{ (C_1(a, x, p, p))^{\frac{1}{p}} (x-a)^2 (\sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q\})^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (C_2(b, x, p, p))^{\frac{1}{p}} (b-x)^2 (\sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q\})^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 7. Let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° , $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$, and $f' \in L[a, b]$. If $|f'|^q$ is harmonically quasi-convex on $[a, b]$ for $q > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| &\leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left(\frac{1}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\times \left\{ C_1^{1/p}(a, x, p, 0) (x-a)^2 (\sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q\})^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + C_2^{1/p}(b, x, p, 0) (b-x)^2 (\sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q\})^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

where C_1 and C_2 are defined as in Theorem 2.

Proof. From Lemma 2, Hölder's inequality and the harmonically quasi-convexity of $|f'|^q$ on $[a, b]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| &\leq \frac{ab(x-a)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 \frac{1}{(ta+(1-t)x)^{2p}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\times \left(\int_0^1 t^q \sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q\} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &+ \frac{ab(b-x)^2}{b-a} \left(\int_0^1 \frac{1}{(tb+(1-t)x)^{2p}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_0^1 t^q \sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q\} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \left(\frac{1}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ C_1^{1/p}(a, x, p, 0) (x-a)^2 \left(\sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(a)|^q\} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right. \\ \left. + C_2^{1/p}(b, x, p, 0) (b-x)^2 \left(\sup \{|f'(x)|^q, |f'(b)|^q\} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right\}.$$

This completes the proof. \square

For $q > 1$, we can give the following result:

Corollary 2. Let $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function on I° , $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$, and $f' \in L[a, b]$. If $|f'|^q$ is harmonically quasi-convex on $[a, b]$ for $q > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, if $|f'(x)| \leq M$, $x \in [a, b]$ then

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(u)}{u^2} du \right| \leq \frac{abM}{b-a} \min \{J_1, J_2, J_3\} \quad (14)$$

where

$$J_1 = \left(\frac{1}{p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ (x-a)^2 C_1^{1/q}(a, x, q, 0) + (b-x)^2 C_2^{1/q}(b, x, q, 0) \right\} \\ J_2 = (C_1(a, x, p, p))^{\frac{1}{p}} (x-a)^2 + (C_2(b, x, p, p))^{\frac{1}{p}} (b-x)^2 \\ J_3 = \left(\frac{1}{q+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\{ C_1^{1/p}(a, x, p, 0) (x-a)^2 + C_2^{1/p}(b, x, p, 0) (b-x)^2 \right\}.$$

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