

## SOME GRÜSS TYPE INEQUALITIES IN $\ell_p^2(X)$

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ABSTRACT. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra and  $X$  be an inner product  $\mathcal{A}$ -module. Some Grüss type inequalities in  $\ell_p^2(X)$  are established. Mathematics Subject Classification (2000). Primary 46L08, 46H25; Secondary 26D99, 46C99.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

We start by recalling some of the most important Grüss type discrete inequalities for inner product spaces that are available in [1].

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be an inner product space over  $\mathbb{K}$ ; ( $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{R}$ ),  $x_i, y_i \in H$ ,  $p_i \geq 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) ( $n \geq 2$ ) with  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$ . If  $x, X, y, Y \in H$  are such that*

$$\operatorname{Re} \langle X - x_i, x_i - x \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \operatorname{Re} \langle Y - y_i, y_i - y \rangle \geq 0$$

for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , or, equivalently,

$$\left\| x_i - \frac{x + X}{2} \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \|X - x\| \quad \text{and} \quad \left\| y_i - \frac{y + Y}{2} \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \|Y - y\|$$

for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , then we have the inequality

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i y_i \right\rangle \right| \leq \frac{1}{4} \|X - x\| \|Y - y\|.$$

The constant  $\frac{1}{4}$  is best possible in the sense that it cannot be replaced by a smaller constant.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  and  $\mathbb{K}$  be as above and  $\bar{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in H^n$ ,  $\bar{\alpha} = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{K}^n$  and  $\bar{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$  a probability vector. If  $x, X \in H$  are such that*

$$\operatorname{Re} \langle X - x_i, x_i - x \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

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or, equivalently,

$$\left\| x_i - \frac{x + X}{2} \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \|X - x\| \text{ for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

holds, then we have the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \alpha_i x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \alpha_i \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i \right\| &\leq \frac{1}{2} \|X - x\| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \alpha_i - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j \alpha_j \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \|X - x\| \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\alpha_i|^2 - \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \alpha_i \right|^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

The constant  $\frac{1}{2}$  in the first and second inequalities is best possible.

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra. A semi-inner product module over  $\mathcal{A}$  is a right module  $X$  over  $\mathcal{A}$  together with a generalized semi-inner product, that is with a mapping  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  on  $X \times X$ , which is  $\mathcal{A}$ -valued and having the following properties:

- (i)  $\langle x, y + z \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ ,
- (ii)  $\langle x, ya \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle a$  for  $x, y \in X, a \in \mathcal{A}$ ,
- (iii)  $\langle x, y \rangle^* = \langle y, x \rangle$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ,
- (iv)  $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$  for  $x \in X$ .

We will say that  $X$  is a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module. If, in addition,

- (v)  $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$  implies  $x = 0$ ,

then  $X$  is called an inner product  $C^*$ -module.

It is well known that if  $X$  is a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module, then the following Schwarz inequality holds:

$$(1.1) \quad \|\langle x, y \rangle\|^2 \leq \|\langle x, x \rangle\| \|\langle y, y \rangle\| \quad (x, y \in X).$$

(e.g. [8, Lemma 15.1.3]).

Now let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra and  $X$  be an inner product  $\mathcal{A}$ -module,  $p_i \in \mathbb{R}, p_i \geq 0, i \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i = 1$  we define

$$\ell_p^2(X) = \{(x_n) | x_n \in X, n \in \mathbb{N}, \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \|\langle x_i, x_i \rangle\|^2 < \infty\}.$$

In this paper we obtain inequalities of Grüss type in  $\ell_p^2(X)$ .

## 2. THE MAIN RESULT

If  $x = (x_n) \in \ell_p^2(X)$  then the series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \langle x_i, x_i \rangle$  is convergent in  $\mathcal{A}$ , since it's absolutely convergent. We put  $a = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \langle x_i, x_i \rangle$ ,  $a_n = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, x_i \rangle$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) and  $t = \|a\|$ , then  $a_n \geq 0$  and by [7, Lemma 2.2.2]  $\|a_n - t\| \leq t$ . This implies that  $\|a - t\| \leq t$  and again by [7, Lemma 2.2.2] we conclude that  $a \geq 0$ .

Therefore if  $X$  is an inner product  $\mathcal{A}$ -module then  $\ell_p^2(X)$  is an inner product  $\mathcal{A}$ -module with point-wise vector operations and the inner product is defined by

$$\langle x, y \rangle_p = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \quad x = (x_i), y = (y_i) \in \ell_p^2(X).$$

and module operation  $(x_i)a = (x_i a)$  ( $a \in \mathcal{A}$ ). Therefore for the norm  $\|\cdot\|_p$  of  $\ell_p^2(X)$  we have

$$\|x\|_p = \|\langle x, x \rangle_p\|^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \langle x_i, x_i \rangle \right\|^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \|\langle x_i, x_i \rangle\|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

It is obvious that for every  $z \in X$  if we put  $\bar{z} := (z, z, z, \dots)$  then  $\bar{z} \in \ell_p^2(X)$ . Furthermore if  $X$  is a Hilbert  $C^*$ -module then  $\ell_p^2(X)$  is a Hilbert  $C^*$ -module.

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $C^*$ -algebra and  $p = (p_i)$  be a probability sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  i.e.,  $p_i \geq 0$  ( $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ) and  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i = 1$ . If  $X$  is a semi-inner product  $\mathcal{A}$ -module and  $x = (x_i), y = (y_i) \in \ell_p^2(X)$  we put

$$G_p(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i x_i, \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i y_i \right\rangle$$

we use  $G_p(x)$  instead of  $G_p(x, x)$ .

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $X$  be a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module,  $x = (x_i), y = (y_i) \in \ell_p^2(X)$  and  $p = (p_i)$  a probability vector. If  $z, t \in X, r \geq 0, s \geq 0$  such that*

$$(2.1) \quad \|x - \bar{z}\|_p \leq r, \quad \|y - \bar{t}\|_p \leq s,$$

then we have the inequality

$$(2.2) \quad \|G_p(x, y)\| \leq rs - \sqrt{r^2 - \|x - \bar{z}\|_p} \sqrt{s^2 - \|y - \bar{t}\|_p} \leq rs.$$

The constant 1 coefficient of  $rs$  in the inequalities (2.2) is best possible in the sense that it cannot be replaced by a smaller constant.

*Proof.* A simple calculation shows that

$$(2.3) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i x_i, \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i y_i \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{\infty} p_i p_j \langle x_i - x_j, y_i - y_j \rangle,$$

therefore

$$(2.4) \quad G_p(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{\infty} p_i p_j \langle x_i - x_j, x_i - x_j \rangle \geq 0.$$

It is easy to show that  $G_p(\cdot, \cdot)$  is an  $\mathcal{A}$ -value semi-inner product on  $\ell_p^2(X)$ , so Schwarz inequality holds i.e.,

$$(2.5) \quad \|G_p(x, y)\|^2 \leq \|G_p(x)\| \|G_p(y)\|.$$

Also a simple calculation shows that for every  $z, t \in X$

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \langle x_i - z, y_i - t \rangle - \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i (x_i - z), \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i (y_i - t) \right\rangle \\ = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i x_i, \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i y_i \right\rangle = G_p(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

particular

$$(2.7) \quad G_p(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \langle x_i - z, x_i - z \rangle - \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i (x_i - z), \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i (x_i - z) \right\rangle \\ \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i \langle x_i - z, x_i - z \rangle.$$

This implies that

$$(2.8) \quad \|G_p(x)\| \leq \|x - \bar{z}\|_p^2 \leq r^2,$$

similarly

$$(2.9) \quad \|G_p(x)\| \leq \|y - \bar{t}\|_p^2 \leq s^2.$$

Now using the elementary inequality for real numbers

$$(2.10) \quad (m^2 - n^2)(p^2 - q^2) \leq (mp - nq)^2$$

on

$$\begin{aligned} m &= r, & n^2 &= r^2 - \|x - \bar{z}\|_p^2 \\ p &= s, & q^2 &= s^2 - \|y - \bar{t}\|_p^2 \end{aligned}$$

we get the inequality (2.2). To prove the sharpness of the constant 1 in the inequalities in (2.2), let us assume that, under the assumptions of the theorem, the inequalities hold with a constant  $c > 0$ , i.e.,

$$(2.11) \quad \|G_p(x, y)\| \leq crs - \sqrt{r^2 - \|x - \bar{z}\|_p^2} \sqrt{s^2 - \|y - \bar{t}\|_p^2} \leq crs.$$

Assume that  $p = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0, 0, \dots)$  and  $e$  is an element of  $X$  such that  $\|\langle e, e \rangle\| = 1$ . We put

$$\begin{aligned} x &= (z + re, z - re, z, z, z, \dots) \\ y &= (t + se, t - se, t, t, t, \dots) \end{aligned}$$

then, obviously,

$$\|x - \bar{z}\|_p \leq r, \quad \|y - \bar{t}\|_p \leq s,$$

which shows that the condition (2.1) holds. If we replace  $p, x, y$  in (2.11), we obtain

$$\|G_p(x, y)\| = rs \leq crs.$$

from where we deduce that  $c \geq 1$ , which proves the sharpness of the constant 1.  $\square$

If we consider  $X^n$  as a subspace of  $\ell_p^2(X)$ , then we can deduce [6, Theorem 1] from Theorem 3 as follows.

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $X$  be a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n), y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in X^n$  and  $p = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  a probability vector. If  $z, t \in X, r \geq 0, s \geq 0$  such that*

$$(2.12) \quad \|x_i - z\| \leq r, \quad \|y_i - t\| \leq s, \quad \text{for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

then we have the inequality

$$(2.13) \quad \|G_p(x, y)\| \leq rs - \sqrt{r^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i - a\|^2} \sqrt{s^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i - b\|^2} \leq rs.$$

The constant 1 coefficient of  $rs$  in the inequalities (2.13) is best possible in the sense that it cannot be replaced by a smaller constant.

Now we give applications of Corollary 1 for some discrete transforms.

### 3. APPLICATIONS

Let  $X$  be a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module on  $C^*$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n), y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in X^n$

For a given  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ , define the discrete Fourier Transform

$$(3.1) \quad \mathcal{F}_\omega(x)(m) = \sum_{k=1}^n \exp(2\omega imk) \times x_k, \quad m = 1, \dots, n.$$

The element  $\sum_{k=1}^n \exp(2\omega imk) \times \langle x_k, y_k \rangle$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  is called Fourier transform of the vector  $(\langle x_1, y_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle x_n, y_n \rangle) \in \mathcal{A}^n$  and will be denoted by

$$(3.2) \quad \mathcal{F}_\omega(x.y)(m) = \sum_{k=1}^n \exp(2\omega imk) \times \langle x_k, y_k \rangle \quad m = 1, \dots, n.$$

The following Theorems 4, 5, 6 are versions of [1, Theorems 66, 67, 68] for semi-inner product  $C^*$ -modules respectively, (also see [3]).

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $X$  be a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n), y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in X^n$ . If  $z, t \in X, r \geq 0, s \geq 0$  such that*

$$(3.3) \quad \|x_k - z\| \leq r, \quad \|\exp(2\omega imk)y_k - t\| \leq s, \quad \text{for all } k, m \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

then we have the inequality

$$(3.4) \quad \left\| \mathcal{F}_\omega(x.y)(m) - \left\langle \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k, \mathcal{F}_\omega(y)(m) \right\rangle \right\| \leq nrs,$$

for all  $m \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

The proof follows by Corollary 1 applied for  $p_k = \frac{1}{n}$  and for the vectors  $\exp(2\omega imk)x_k$  and  $y_k (k = 1, \dots, n)$ . We omit the details.

We can also consider the Mellin transform

$$(3.5) \quad \mathcal{M}(x)(m) = \sum_{k=1}^n k^{m-1} x_k, \quad m = 1, \dots, n.$$

of the vector  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X^n$ . The Mellin transform of the vector  $(\langle x_1, y_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle x_n, y_n \rangle) \in \mathcal{A}^n$  is defined by  $\sum_{k=1}^n k^{m-1} \langle x_k, y_k \rangle$  and will be denoted by

$$(3.6) \quad \mathcal{M}(x.y)(m) = \sum_{k=1}^n k^{m-1} \langle x_k, y_k \rangle.$$

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $X$  be a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n), y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in X^n$ . If  $z, t \in X, r \geq 0, s \geq 0$  such that*

$$(3.7) \quad \|x_k - z\| \leq r, \quad \|k^{m-1}y_k - t\| \leq s, \text{ for all } k, m \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

then we have the inequality

$$(3.8) \quad \left\| \mathcal{M}(x.y)(m) - \left\langle \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k, \mathcal{M}(y)(m) \right\rangle \right\| \leq nrs,$$

for all  $m \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

The proof follows by Corollary 1 applied for  $p_k = \frac{1}{n}$  and for the vectors  $x_k$  and  $k^{m-1}y_k (k = 1, \dots, n)$ . We omit the details.

Another result which connects the Fourier transforms for different parameters  $\omega$  also holds.

**Theorem 6.** *Let  $X$  be a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n), y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in X^n$ . If  $z, t \in X, r \geq 0, s \geq 0$  such that*

$$(3.9) \quad \|\exp(2\omega_1 imk)x_k - z\| \leq r, \quad \|\exp(2\omega_2 imk)y_k - t\| \leq s,$$

for all  $k, m \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , then we have the inequality

$$(3.10) \quad \left\| \frac{1}{n} \mathcal{F}_{\omega_2 - \omega_1}(x.y)(m) - \left\langle \frac{1}{n} \mathcal{F}_{\omega_1}(x)(m), \frac{1}{n} \mathcal{F}_{\omega_2}(y)(m) \right\rangle \right\| \leq rs,$$

for all  $m \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

The proof follows by Corollary 1 applied for  $p_k = \frac{1}{n}$  and for the vectors  $\exp(2\omega_1 imk)x_k$  and  $\exp(2\omega_2 imk)y_k (k = 1, \dots, n)$ . We omit the details.

In [6, Remark 1(ii)] the authors show that if  $X$  is a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n), \alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and  $p = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  a probability vector, and if  $z \in X, r \geq 0$ , such that

$$\|x_i - z\| \leq r, \text{ for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

holds, then

$$(3.11) \quad \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \alpha_i x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \alpha_i \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i \right\| \leq r \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \alpha_i - \sum_{i=1}^n p_j \alpha_j \right| \\ \leq r \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\alpha_i|^2 - \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \alpha_i \right|^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

The following approximation result for the Fourier transform (3.1) which is a version of [1, Theorems 59] for semi-inner product  $C^*$ -modules holds, (see [2]).

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $X$  be a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X^n$ . If  $z \in X, r \geq 0$ , such that*

$$\|x_i - z\| \leq r, \text{ for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

then we have the inequality

$$(3.12) \quad \left\| \mathcal{F}_\omega(x)(m) - \frac{\sin(\omega mn)}{\sin(\omega m)} \exp[\omega(n+1)im] \times \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \right\| \leq r \left[ n^2 - \frac{\sin^2(\omega mn)}{\sin^2(\omega m)} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

for all  $m \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}, \omega \neq \frac{l}{m}\pi, l \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

*Proof.* From the inequality (3.10) we can state that,

$$(3.13) \quad \left\| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right\| \leq r \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i|^2 - \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \right|^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

for all  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}, x_i \in X$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ). Consequently, we conclude that

$$(3.14) \quad \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right\| \leq r \left[ n \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i|^2 - \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \right|^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

A simple calculation shows that (see the proof of Theorem 59 in [1]),

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \exp(2\omega imk) = \frac{\sin(\omega mn)}{\sin(\omega m)} \times \exp[\omega(n+1)im].$$

Putting  $\alpha_k = \exp(2\omega imk)$ , we get the desired result (3.12).  $\square$

The following approximation result for the Mellin transform (3.5) holds, (see [2]).

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $X$  be a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X^n$ . If  $z \in X, r \geq 0$ , such that*

$$\|x_i - z\| \leq r, \text{ for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

then we have the inequality

$$(3.15) \quad \left\| \mathcal{M}(x)(m) - S_{m-1}(n) \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \right\| \leq r [n S_{2m-2}(n) - S_{m-1}^2(n)]^{\frac{1}{2}}, m \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

where  $S_p(n), p \in \mathbb{R}, n \in \mathbb{N}$  is the  $p$ -powered sum of the first  $n$  natural numbers, i.e.,

$$S_p(n) := \sum_{k=1}^n k^p.$$

Consider the following particular values of Mellin Transform

$$\mu_1(x) := \sum_{k=1}^n k x_k$$

and

$$\mu_2(x) := \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 x_k$$

The following corollary holds.

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $X$  be a semi-inner product  $C^*$ -module,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X^n$ . If  $z \in X, r \geq 0$ , such that*

$$\|x_i - z\| \leq r, \text{ for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

*then we have the inequality*

$$(3.16) \quad \left\| \mu_1(x) - \frac{n+1}{2} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \right\| \leq \frac{rn}{2} \left[ \frac{(n-1)(n+1)}{3} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

*and*

$$(3.17) \quad \left\| \mu_2(x) - \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \right\| \leq \frac{rn}{6\sqrt{5}} \sqrt{(n-1)(n+1)(2n+1)(8n+11)}.$$

Other inequalities related to the Grüss type discrete inequalities for polynomials with coefficients in a Hilbert space such as Theorem 61, Theorem 62, Corollary 52 in [1], have versions that are valid for polynomials with coefficients in a  $C^*$ -module. However, the details are omitted.

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