



Owner's Manual

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR LATER USE. FOLLOW ALL WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS MARKED ON THE AUDIO EQUIPMENT.

- **1 Read instructions** All the safety and operating instructions should be read before the product is operated.
- 2 **Retain instructions** The safety and operating instructions should be retained for future reference.
- **3** Heed Warnings All warnings on the product and in the operating instructions should be adhered to.
- 4 Follow Instructions All operating and use instructions should be followed.
- 5 Cleaning Unplug this product from the wall outlet before cleaning. Do not use liquid cleaners or aerosol cleaners. Use a damp cloth for cleaning.
- 6 Attachments Do not use attachments not recommended by the product manufacturer as they may cause hazards.
- 7 Water and Moisture Do not use this product near water-for example, near a bath tub, wash bowl, kitchen sink, or laundry tub; in a wet basement; or near a swimming pool; and the like.
- 8 Accessories Do not place this product on an unstable cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table. The product may fall, causing serious injury to a child or adult, and serious damage to the product. Use only with a cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table recommended by the manufacturer, or sold with the product. Any mounting of the product should follow the manufacturer's instructions, and should use a mounting accessory recommended by the manufacturer.



A product and cart combination should be moved with care. Quick stops, excessive force, and uneven surfaces may cause the product and cart combination to overturn.

- **10 Ventilation** Slots and openings in the cabinet are provided for ventilation and to ensure reliable operation of the product and to protect it from overheating, and these openings must not be blocked or covered. The openings should never be blocked by placing the product on a bed, sofa, rug, or other similar surface. This product should not be placed in a built-in installation such as a bookcase or rack unless proper ventilation is provided or the manufacturer's instructions have been adhered to.
- **11 Power Sources** This product should be operated only from the type of power source indicated on the marking label. If you are not sure of the type of power supply to your home, consult your product dealer or local power company.

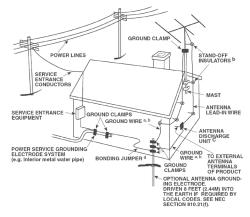
The primary method of isolating the amplifier from the mains supply is to disconnect the mains plug. Ensure that the mains plug remains accessible at all times. Unplug the AC power cord from the AC outlet if the unit will not be used for several months or more.

- 12 Grounding or Polarization This product may be equipped with a polarized alternating-current line plug (a plug having one blade wider than the other). This plug will fit into the power outlet only one way. This is a safety feature. If you are unable to insert the plug fully into the outlet, try reversing the plug. If the plug should still fail to fit, contact your electrician to replace your obsolete outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized plug.
- **13 Power** Cord Protection Power-supply cords should be routed so that they are not likely to be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them, paying particular attention to cords at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the product.

14 Outdoor Antenna Grounding - If an outside antenna or cable system is connected to the product, be sure the antenna or cable system is grounded so as to provide some protection against voltage surges and built-up static charges. Article 810 of the National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70, provides information with regard to proper grounding of the mast and supporting structure, grounding of the lead-in wire to an antenna discharge unit, size of grounding conductors, location of antenna discharge unit, connection to grounding electrodes, and requirements for the grounding electrode.

NOTE TO CATV SYSTEM INSTALLER

This reminder is provided to call the CATV system installer's attention to Section 820-40 of the NEC which provides guidelines for proper grounding and, in particular, specifies that the cable ground shall be connected to the grounding system of the building, as close to the point of cable entry as practical.



- **15 Lightning** For added protection for this product during a lightning storm, or when it is left unattended and unused for long periods of time, unplug it from the wall outlet and disconnect the antenna or cable system. This will prevent damage to the product due to lightning and power-line surges.
- 16 Power Lines An outside antenna system should not be located in the vicinity of overhead power lines or other electric light or power circuits, or where it can fall into such power lines or circuits. When installing an outside antenna system, extreme care should be taken to keep from touching such power lines or circuits as contact with them might be fatal.
- **17 Overloading** Do not overload wall outlets, extension cords, or integral convenience receptacles as this can result in a risk of fire or electric shock.
- **18 Object and Liquid Entry** Never push objects of any kind into this product through openings as they may touch dangerous voltage points or short-out parts that could result in a fire or electric shock. Never spill liquid of any kind on the product.

WARNING: THE APPARATUS SHOULD NOT BE EXPOSED TO DRIPPING OR SPLASHING, AND OBJECTS FILLED WITH LIQUIDS, SUCH AS VASES, SHOULD NOT BE PLACED ON THE APPARATUS. AS WITH ANY ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS, USE CARE NOT TO SPILL LIQUIDS INTO ANY PART OF THE SYSTEM. LIQUIDS CAN CAUSE A FAILURE AND/OR A FIRE HAZARD.

- 19 Damage Requiring Service Unplug this product from the wall outlet and refer servicing to qualified service personnel under the following conditions:
 - a) When the power-supply cord or plug is damaged.
 - **b)** If liquid has been spilled, or objects have fallen into the product.
 - c) If the product has been exposed to rain or water.
 - d) If the product does not operate normally by following the operating instructions. Adjust only those controls that are covered by the operating instructions as an improper adjustment of other controls may result in damage and will often require extensive work by a qualified technician to restore the product to its normal operation.
 - e) If the product has been dropped or damaged in any way.
 - when the product exhibits a distinct change in performance-this indicates a need for service.
- 20 Replacement Parts When replacement parts are required, be sure the service technician has used replacement parts specified by the manufacturer or have the same characteristics as the original part. Unauthorized substitutions may result in fire, electric shock, or other hazards.
- 21 Safety Check Upon completion of any service or repairs to this product, ask the service technician to perform safety checks to determine that the product is in proper operating condition.
- **22 Wall or Ceiling Mounting** The product should be mounted to a wall or ceiling only as recommended by the manufacturer.
- **23 Heat** The product should be situated away from heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves or other products (including amplifiers) that produce heat.

WARNING

TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS PRODUCT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

CAUTION

TO PREVENT ELECTRIC SHOCK, MATCH WIDE BLADE OF PLUG TO WIDE SLOT, FULLY INSERT.



THE LIGHTNING FLASH WITH ARROWHEAD SYMBOL, WITHIN AN EQUILATERAL TRIANGLE, IS INTENDED TO ALERT THE USER TO THE PRESENCE OF UNINSULATED "DANGEROUS VOLTAGE" WITHIN THE PRODUCT'S ENCLOSURE THAT MAYBE OF SUFFICIENT MAGNITUDE TO CONSTITUTE A RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK TO PERSONS.



THE EXCLAMATION POINT WITHIN AN EQUILATERAL TRIANGLE IS INTENDED TO ALERT THE USER TO THE PRESENCE OF IMPORTANT OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE (SERVICING) INSTRUCTIONS IN THE LITERATURE ACCOMPANYING THE APPLIANCE.



The equipment draws its nominal non-operational power from the AC outlet with its POWER switch at the ON position.

The socket-outlet shall be installed near the apparatus and shall be easily accessible.

CAUTION

Changes or modifications to this equipment not expressly approved by NAD Electronics for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

CAUTION REGARDING PLACEMENT

To maintain proper ventilation, be sure to leave a space around the unit (from the largest outer dimensions including projections) that is equal to or greater than shown below.

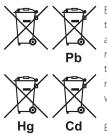
Left and Right Panels: 10 cm Rear Panel: 10 cm Top Panel: 10 cm

NOTES ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



The materials can be reused in accordance with their markings. Through re-use, recycling of raw materials or other forms of recycling of old products, you are making an important contribution to the protection of our environment. Your local administrative office can advise you of the responsible waste disposal point.

INFORMATION ABOUT COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF WASTE BATTERIES (DIRECTIVE 2006/66/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF EUROPEAN UNION) (FOR EUROPEAN CUSTOMERS ONLY)



Batteries bearing any of these symbols indicate that they should be treated as "separate collection" and not as municipal waste. It is encouraged that necessary measures are implemented to maximize the separate collection of waste batteries and to minimize the disposal of batteries as mixed municipal waste

End-users are exhorted not to dispose waste batteries as unsorted municipal waste. In order to achieve

a high level of recycling waste batteries, discard waste batteries separately and properly through an accessible collection point in your vicinity. For more information about collection and recycling of waste batteries, please contact your local municipality, your waste disposal service or the point of sale where you purchased the items.

By ensuring compliance and conformance to proper disposal of waste batteries, potential hazardous effects on human health is prevented and the negative impact of batteries and waste batteries on the environment is minimized, thus contributing to the protection, preservation and quality improvement of the environment.

RECORD YOUR MODEL NUMBER (NOW, WHILE YOU CAN SEE IT)

The model and serial number of your new M22 are located on the back of the cabinet. For your future convenience, we suggest that you record these numbers here:

> Model no: Serial no.:....

INTRODUCTION

GETTING STARTED

WHAT'S IN THE BOX

Packed with your M22 you will find

- A detachable mains power cord
- Four pieces of magnetic feet
- USB flash drive
- Cleaning cloth
- Quick Setup Guide

NOTE

Connect supplied USB flash drive to any compatible device to view the M22 owner's manual and Quick Setup Guide.

QUICK SETUP GUIDE

In case you simply cannot wait to experience the performance of your new NAD M22 Stereo Power Amplifier, the following QUICK SETUP GUIDE is recommended to help you get started.

Ensure that the M22 is unplugged before making any connections. It is also advisable to power-down or unplug all associated components while making or breaking any signal or AC power connections.

- Set the external source's volume control to minimum level. External source can be a preamplifier, processor, amplifier or any applicable device.
- 2 Set SELECT switch to BALANCED or SINGLE-ENDED. It is important that the selection for ANALOG AUDIO INPUT must be the same for both L (left) and R (right) channels.
- **3** Connect the analog audio output of your external source to the M22 rear panel's BALANCED or SINGLE-ENDED analog audio input.
- 4 Connect your speakers to the LEFT AND RIGHT SPEAKERS terminals of M22.
- 5 Plug-in to a mains power source the M22's supplied mains power cord. Connect corresponding end of the mains power cord to the AC mains input of M22 and the plug connected to a mains power source.
- 6 Plug-in also to a mains power source the external source's mains power cord. Power up the external source ahead of the M22.
- 7 Set to ON the rear panel POWER switch of M22. The M22 goes to standby mode as shown by the amber status condition of the Power indicator.
- Press U (Standby) button for the M22 to be switched ON from standby mode. The Power indicator will turn from amber to bright/white color. The M22 is ready for operation.
- **9** Adjust the external source's volume control according to desired listening level.

SAVE THE PACKAGING

Please save the box and all of the packaging in which your M22 arrived. Should you move or otherwise need to transport your M22, this is by far the safest container in which to do so. We've seen too many otherwise perfect components damaged in transit for lack of a proper shipping carton, so please: Save that box!

NOTES ON INSTALLATION

- Your NAD M22 should be placed on a firm, level surface.
- Avoid placing the unit in direct sunlight or near sources of heat and damp.
- Allow adequate ventilation.
- Do not place the unit on a soft surface like a carpet.
- Avoid placing the M22 inside a closed cabinet that is not well ventilated as this may compromise the M22's performance and reliability.
- Ensure that the M22 is unplugged before making any connections.
- For best performance, use quality speaker leads of 16 gauge (1.5mm²) thickness or more.
- If the unit is not going to be used for some time, disconnect the plug from the mains power source.
- Use a dry cloth for cleaning.

DO NOT REMOVE THE COVER; THERE ARE NO USER-SERVICEABLE PARTS INSIDE.

BARE WIRES AND PIN CONNECTORS

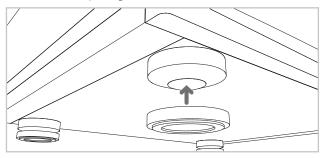


WARNING: The terminals marked with this symbol are hazardous live. External wiring connected to these terminals requires installation by an instructed person or the use of ready-made leads or cords.

Bare wires and pin sockets should be inserted into the hole in the shaft of the terminal. Unscrew the speaker terminal's plastic bushing until the hole in the screw shaft is revealed. Insert the pin or bare cable end into the hole and secure the cable by tightening down the terminal's bushing. Ensure bare wire from the speaker cables does not touch the back panel or another socket. Ensure that there is only 1/2" (1cm) of bare cable or pin and no loose strands of speakers wire.

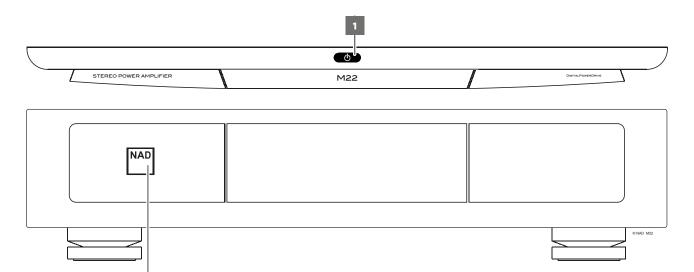
FEET INSTALLATION

The supplied magnetic feet can be easily installed by aligning and attaching them to their corresponding foot shoe. Refer to the illustration below.



IDENTIFICATION OF CONTROLS

FRONT PANEL



- Press **U** (Standby) button for the M22 to be switched ON from standby mode. The Power indicator will turn from amber to bright/ white color.
- Press and hold U (Standby) button until M22 switches back to standby mode. The Power indicator will illuminate to amber color at standby mode.
- The Φ (Standby) button cannot activate the M22 with the rear panel POWER switched off.

IMPORTANT NOTE

For the $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{O}}$ (Standby) button to activate, two conditions must be completed.

- Plug-in the supplied mains power cord to a mains power source. Connect corresponding end of the mains power cord to the AC mains input of M22 and the plug connected to a mains power source.
- The rear panel POWER switch must be set to ON position.

AUTO STANDBY

The M22 can be setup to automatically go to standby mode if there is no active source input within 30 minutes. Auto standby mode can be enabled or disabled by the following steps.

Enable Auto Standby mode

- With M22 at operating mode, press and hold the rear panel LED LEVEL button until the Power indicator (NAD logo) flashes once.
- At operating mode, the M22 will automatically go to standby mode if there is no active source input within 30 minutes.

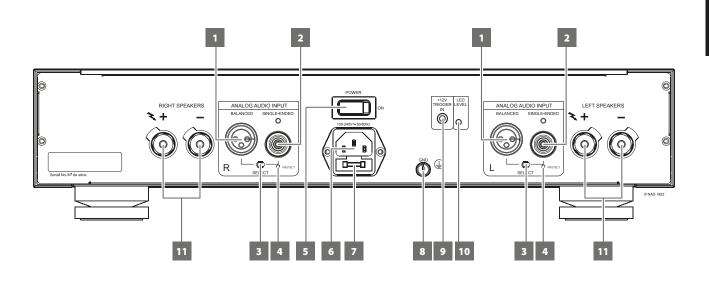
Disable Auto Standby mode

- With M22 at operating mode, press and hold the rear panel LED LEVEL button until the Power indicator (NAD logo) flashes twice.
- At operating mode, M22 will not automatically go to standby mode even if there is no active source input within 30 minutes. Press ⁽¹⁾ to switch M22 from operating mode to standby mode.

2 POWER INDICATOR (NAD LOGO)

- The NAD logo in the front panel also serves as a Power indicator.
- Power indicator colors
 Bright/white: Normal operating mode
 Amber: Standby mode
 Red: Protect mode

REAR PANEL



ATTENTION!

Ensure that the M22 is unplugged before making any connections. It is also advisable to power-down or unplug all associated components while making or breaking any signal or AC power connections.

1 BALANCED

- Use the BALANCED analog audio input of the M22 if the external source to be connected has BALANCED audio output. Superior audio quality is ensured with the distinctive noise reduction capability of BALANCED connection with XLR jacks.
- With BALANCED as the selected audio input, ensure that the SELECT switches for both L (Left) and R (Right) channels of ANALOG AUDIO INPUT are set to BALANCED.

PIN CONFIGURATION OF BALANCED XLR JACK

Pin 1: Ground Pin 2: Positive (signal live) Pin 3: Negative (signal return)

IMPORTANT NOTES

- Always turn OFF the M22 and other components in the system before connecting or disconnecting anything to the BALANCED audio input jacks.
- Before switching ON the M22 from standby mode for the first time, make sure that the volume control of the external source is set to minimum level position. This prevents inadvertently beginning a session at excessive volume.

2 SINGLE-ENDED

- Use single-ended analog audio input for sources (preamplifiers or processors) that are not equipped with BALANCED analog audio output.
- With SINGLE-ENDED as the selected audio input, ensure that the SELECT switches for both L (Left) and R (Right) channels of ANALOG AUDIO INPUT are set to SINGLE-ENDED.

3 SELECT

- Use this switch to select the type of analog audio input.
- SELECT switch settings
- Right position: SINGLE-ENDED input is selected. Left position: BALANCED input is selected.

4 PROTECT

When the M22 goes to protect mode, the PROTECT LED will turn red.

PROTECT LED INDICATOR COLORS

CONDITION	PROTECT LED COLOR	POWER INDICATOR (NAD LOGO) COLOR
Normal operation	Green	Bright/white
Overheat or short circuit	Red	Red

PROTECT MODE

If the PROTECT LEDs turn red, this indicates that the protection circuitry of the M22 had been engaged. Immediately press the Standby button, turn off Power switch and then unplug the mains power cord from the mains power source. Undertake the following

- **a** Check if all speaker wires are connected correctly and that none of the wires are damaged, causing a short circuit.
- **b** Another cause may be excessive heat build-up inside the amplifier. Make sure there is adequate ventilation around the amplifier and that none of its ventilation slots, top or bottom are blocked. After the M22 has cooled down, it will function normally again.
- c Do not attempt to use the M22 if the PROTECT LED or Power indicator remained illuminated in red despite the checks mentioned above. Bring the M22 to an authorized NAD service center for proper inspection, testing and consequent repair if necessary.

IDENTIFICATION OF CONTROLS

REAR PANEL

5 POWER

- Supply the AC mains power to the M22.
- If you intend not to use the M22 for long periods of time (such as when on vacation), switch off the POWER switch.
- ・ The **也** (Standby) button cannot activate the M22 with the rear panel POWER switched off.

6 AC MAINS INPUT

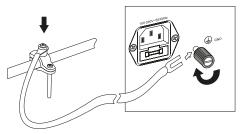
- The M22 comes supplied with a detachable mains power cord. Connect corresponding end of the mains power cord to the AC mains input of M22 and the plug connected to a mains power source.
- Always disconnect the mains power plug from the mains power source first, before disconnecting the cable from the M22's AC Mains input socket

7 FUSE HOLDER

• Only qualified NAD service technicians can have access to this fuse holder. Opening this fuse holder may cause damage thus voiding the warranty of your M22.

8 GROUND TERMINAL

- Use this terminal to properly ground your M22 to a grounded AC receptacle or a separate earth ground.
- The M22 can be connected to ground by connecting a ground lead wire or similar to this ground terminal. After insertion, tighten the terminal to secure the lead.

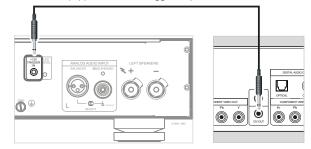


NOTES

- The above illustration shows the M22 being connected to ground via a metal water pipe. There maybe other grounding conductor points in your home. Consult with a licensed electrician to properly locate or correctly install a grounding conductor in your home. NAD is not responsible for any malfunction, damage or costs associated with the installation, connection or grounding of your M22.
- The grounding wire is not supplied with your M22.

9 +12V TRIGGER IN

 The +12V Trigger input allows the M22 to be switched remotely from standby mode to ON and vice-versa by an ancillary equipment such as a preamplifier, AV processor, etc. The controlling device must be equipped with a 12V trigger output to use this feature.



WARNING

The front panel \mathfrak{O} (Standby) button is disabled as long as the male plug of the mono cable (with or without +12V DC) is connected to M22's +12V TRIGGER IN. Unplug the mono cable for the M22 to be normally switched ON (or back to standby mode) using the front panel \mathfrak{O} (Standby) button.

10 LED LEVEL (DIMMER)

• Toggle to cycle through Power indicator brightness levels.

11 RIGHT SPEAKERS, LEFT SPEAKERS

- The M22 is equipped with gold-plated, color-coded, transparent and special high-current binding-post speaker terminals.
- Connect RIGHT SPEAKERS and LEFT SPEAKERS terminals to corresponding speakers. Make sure the "+" (red) terminal and "-" (black) terminal are connected to the corresponding "+" and "-" terminals of the speaker. Use extra care to ensure that no stray wires or strands cross between posts or terminals at either end.
- The M22 is designed to produce optimum sound quality when connected to speakers with impedances within its operating range. Please make sure that all the speakers are rated 4 ohms minimum per speaker.

NOTE

Use stranded wire of at least 16 gauge (AWG). Connections to the M22 can be made with banana plugs or by using bare wire or pins. Use the transverse hole through the post for bare-wire or pin connections. By loosening the terminal's plastic nut, make a clean, neat connection and re-tighten carefully. To minimize the danger of short-circuit, ensure that only 1/2-inch of exposed wire or pin is employed when connecting.

DIGITAL POWERDRIVE

The M22 uses NAD's proprietary Digital PowerDrive[™] amplifier technology that allows substantial additional power for short periods of time. Research has shown that the peak to average power required to faithfully reproduce music can be a factor of ten for well recorded performances. Digital PowerDrive uniquely satisfies this requirement. Music sounds more dynamic and "open" with PowerDrive because the musical transients that are present in a live performance are not reduced in amplitude or "compressed".

REFERENCE

TROUBLESHOOTING

CONDITION	POSSIBLE CAUSES	POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS
No power.	Mains power cord unplugged from mains power source or from M22's AC mains input.	Connect the mains power cord to M22's AC mains input and then plug into a mains power source.
	Power switch is off.	Switch ON the Power switch.
	M22 at standby mode.	・ Press 也 (Standby) button to switch ON the M22 from standby mode.
M22 always at standby mode; cannot be switched ON using the ひ (Standby) button.	A mono plug is plugged-in at the +12V TRIGGER IN port of the rear panel.	
No sound.	 No input signal applied through the analog audio input ports. 	 Check that there is active input signal applied through the analog audio input ports.
	External source volume control is set to minimum level.	Turn up external source's volume control until audio is heard.
No sound one channel.	Speaker not properly connected or damaged.	Check connections and speakers.
	Input lead disconnected or damaged.	Check leads and connections.
There is no BALANCED audio output.	SELECT switch is set to SINGLE-ENDED.	Set SELECT switch to BALANCED.
There is no SINGLE-ENDED audio output.	SELECT switch is set to BALANCED.	Set SELECT switch to SINGLE-ENDED.

REFERENCE

SPECIFICATIONS

OVERALL SPECIFICATIONS	
Continuous output power into 8 ohms and 4 ohms	\geq 250 W (ref. rated THD, 20 Hz $-$ 20 kHz, all channels driven)
Rated THD (250 mW to rated power, CCIF IMD, DIM 100)	≤0.005 % (ref. 20 Hz - 20 kHz)
IHF dynamic power	8 ohms : 355 W
	4 ohms :640 W
	2 ohms : 620 W
Damping factor	>800 (ref. 8 ohms, 50 Hz and 1 kHz)
Input sensitivity	1.6 V (ref. rated power)
Signal-to-noise ratio, A- weighted	> 98 dB (ref. 1W)
Signal-to-noise ratio, A- weighted	> 120 dB (ref. rated power)
Frequency response	\pm 0.1 dB (ref. 20 Hz - 20 kHz)
	- 2.5 dB at 3 Hz and 100 kHz
Time to go to Standby mode at no input signal	\leq 30 minutes
POWER CONSUMPTION	
Rated power	640 W (120V 60Hz, 230V 50Hz)
Standby power	< 0.5 W
Idle power	< 40 W
DIMENSION AND WEIGHT	
Unit dimensions (W x H x D) *	435 x 103 x 379 mm
	17 ¹ / ₈ x 4 ¹ / ₁₆ x 14 ¹⁵ / ₁₆ inches
Shipping weight	15.0 kg (33.1 lbs)

* - Gross dimension include feet, front panel and rear panel extensions (knobs, buttons, speaker terminals, sub fascia, etc.)

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