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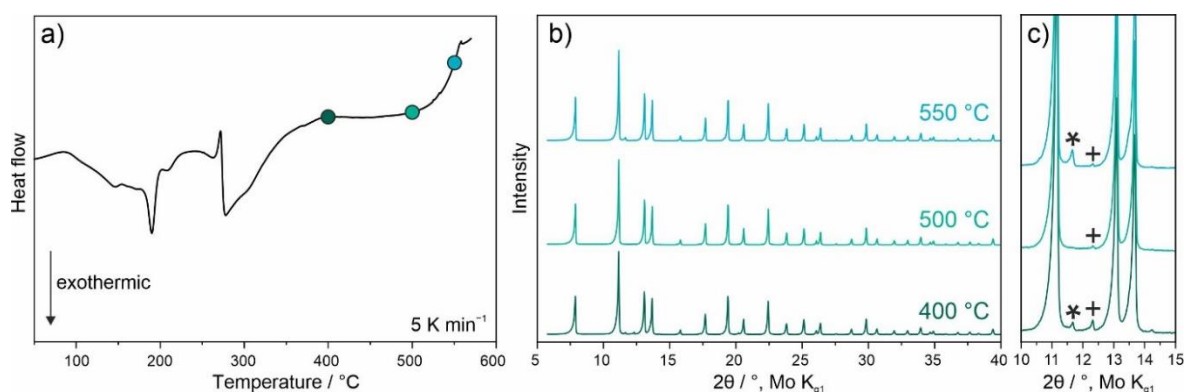


Figure S1. a) DSC trace of the precursor mixture. b) XRD patterns after annealing at different temperatures as indicated in a). c) Magnified view to visualize the additional reflections arising from Li_2S (asterisk) and LiI (cross) impurities. Ionic conductivities of the same samples from cold-pressed pellets are given in **Table S1**.

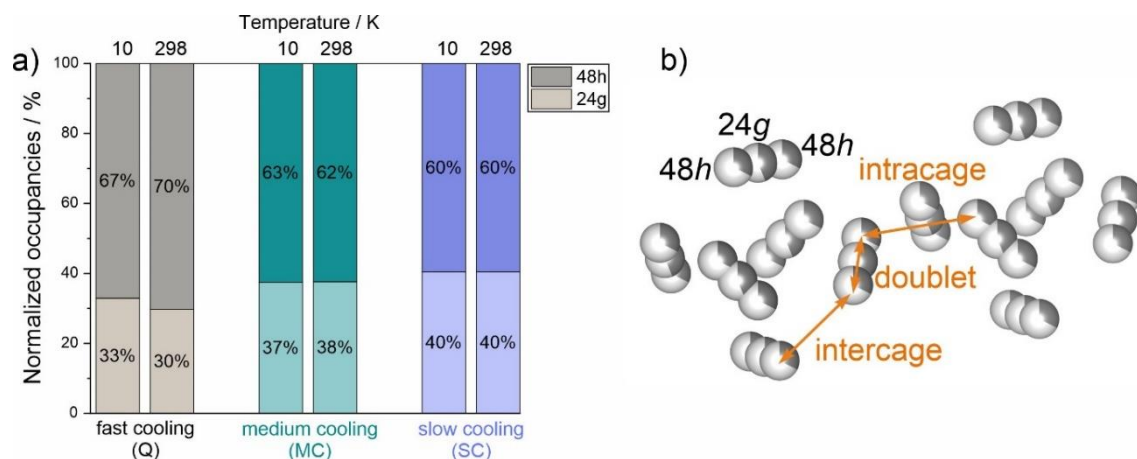


Figure S2. a) Normalized Li occupancies over the Wyckoff positions 48h and 24g. b) Two neighboring Li cages. The different transport (jump) pathways and sites are indicated.

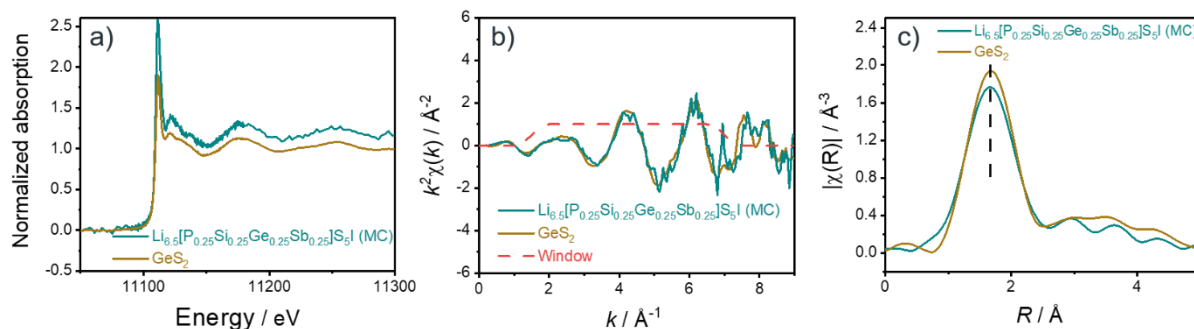


Figure S3. a) Ge K-edge XANES and b) k^2 -weighted EXAFS $[\chi(k)]$ spectra. c) Corresponding magnitudes of the Fourier transform for $\text{Li}_{6.5}[\text{P}_{0.25}\text{Si}_{0.25}\text{Ge}_{0.25}\text{Sb}_{0.25}]\text{S}_5\text{I}$ (MC) (cyan) and the GeS_2 reference material (brown).

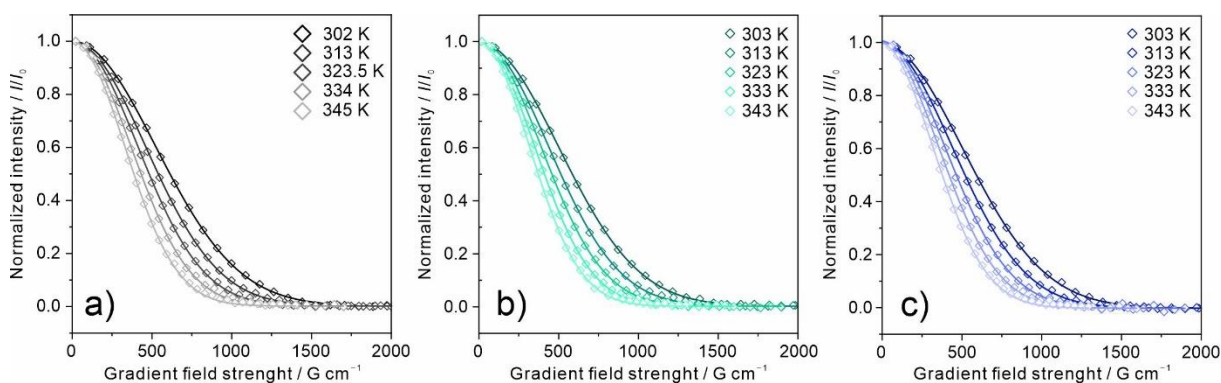


Figure S4. Results from temperature-dependent ^7Li PFG NMR spectroscopy measurements for a) fast- (Q), b) medium- (MC) and c) slow-cooled (SC) samples, with symbols and lines representing experimental and calculated data, respectively.

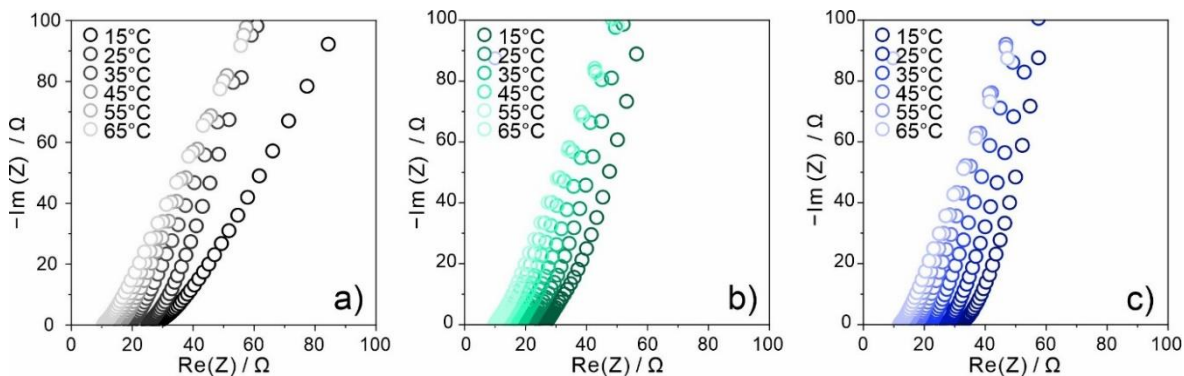


Figure S5. Nyquist plots of the electrochemical impedance measured between 15 and 65 °C for a) fast- (Q), b) medium- (MC) and c) slow-cooled (SC) samples.

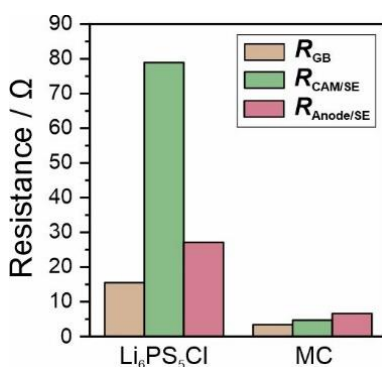


Figure S6. Calculated resistances from the impedance spectra in Figure 8b for the $\text{Li}_{6.5}[\text{P}_{0.25}\text{Si}_{0.25}\text{Ge}_{0.25}\text{Sb}_{0.25}]\text{S}_5\text{I}$ - (MC) and $\text{Li}_6\text{PS}_5\text{Cl}$ -based cells after the first cycle.

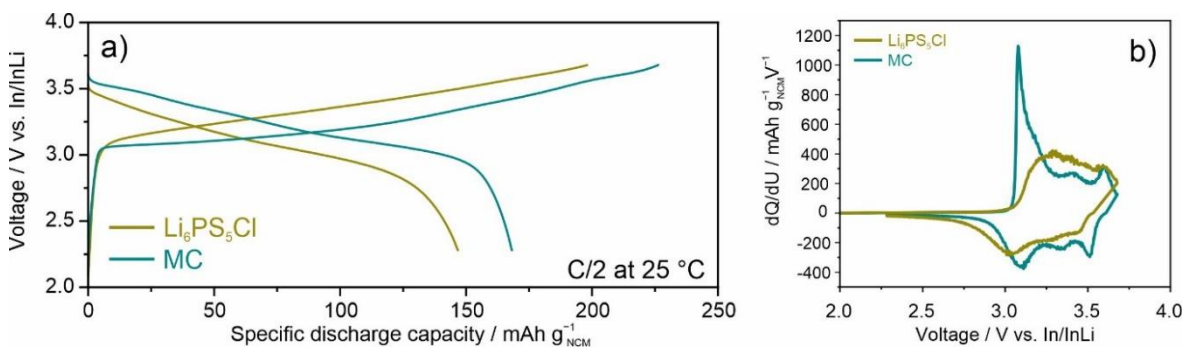


Figure S7. a) First- and second-cycle voltage profiles at 25 °C and C/2 rate and b) corresponding differential capacity plots for the $\text{Li}_{6.5}[\text{P}_{0.25}\text{Si}_{0.25}\text{Ge}_{0.25}\text{Sb}_{0.25}]\text{S}_5\text{I}$ - (MC) and $\text{Li}_6\text{PS}_5\text{Cl}$ -based cells.

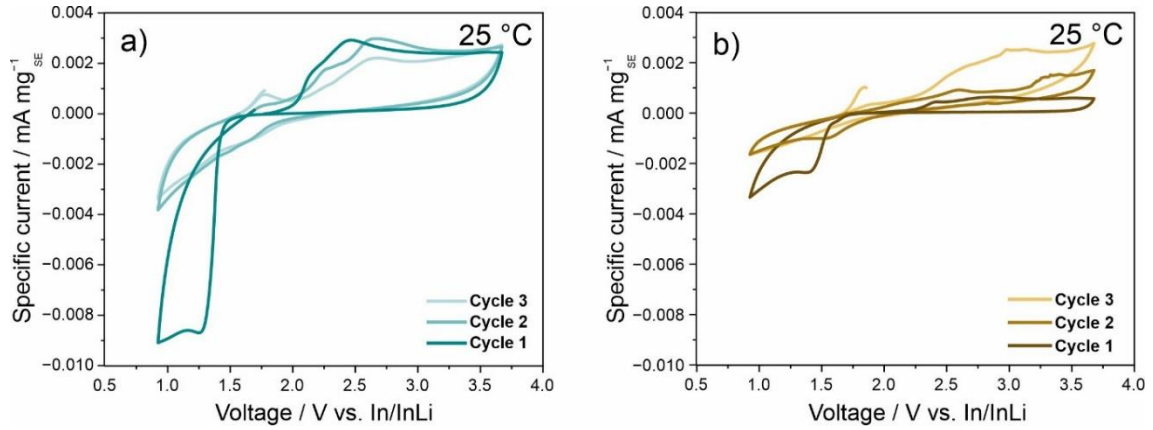


Figure S8. CV curves at 0.1 mV s^{-1} and $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for a) $\text{Li}_{6.5}[\text{P}_{0.25}\text{Si}_{0.25}\text{Ge}_{0.25}\text{Sb}_{0.25}]\text{S}_5\text{I}$ (MC) and b) $\text{Li}_6\text{PS}_5\text{Cl}$. Note that mixtures of SE and carbon black were used as working electrode.

Table S1. Ionic conductivities determined from cold-pressed pellets annealed at different temperatures (see **Figure S1**).

| Annealing temperature / $^\circ\text{C}$ | $\sigma_{\text{ion}} / \text{mS cm}^{-1}$ |
|--|---|
| 400 | 7.6 |
| 500 | 10.7 |
| 550 | 8.7 |

Table S2. Lattice parameters for the samples prepared with different cooling rates, with MC data taken from the literature.^[1]

| Sample | $a / \text{Å} (T = 298 \text{ K})$ | $a / \text{Å} (T = 10 \text{ K})$ |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Quenched (Q) | 10.29903(7) | 10.25347(4) |
| Medium cooled (MC) | 10.29714(9) | 10.24932(5) |
| Slow cooled (SC) | 10.30141(7) | 10.25696(6) |

Table S3. Structural parameters for $\text{Li}_{6.5}[\text{Si}_{0.25}\text{Ge}_{0.25}\text{P}_{0.25}\text{Sb}_{0.25}]\text{S}_5\text{I}$ (Q) from Rietveld analysis of NPD data collected at $T = 298 \text{ K}$.^a

| Atom | Wyckoff site | x | y | z | $B_{\text{iso}} / \text{Å}^2$ | Occ |
|------|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-------------------------------|---------|
| I1 | 4d | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.75 | 1.64(4) | 0.11(2) |
| I2 | 4a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.19(3) | 0.88(7) |
| S1 | 4d | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.75 | 1.64(4) | 0.88(7) |
| S2 | 4a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.19(3) | 0.11(2) |
| S3 | 16e | 0.1237(6) | -0.1237(6) | 0.6237(6) | 1.26(4) | 1 |
| Si1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.96(0) | 0.25 |
| Ge1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.96(0) | 0.25 |
| P1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.96(0) | 0.25 |

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|-----|-----|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Sb1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.96(0) | 0.25 |
| Li1 | 48h | 0.2948(9) | 0.0202(8) | 0.7051(3) | 3.67(4) | 0.38(0) |
| Li2 | 24g | 0.25 | 0.0205(4) | 0.75 | 1.57(7) | 0.32(0) |

^a $F\bar{4}3m$ space group, $a = 10.29903(7)$ Å, $V = 1092.421(17)$ Å³, $\rho = 2.406$ g cm⁻³, $R_{wp} = 7.58\%$, $\chi^2 = 4.060$.

Table S4. Structural parameters for Li_{6.5}[Si_{0.25}Ge_{0.25}P_{0.25}Sb_{0.25}]S₅I (Q) from Rietveld analysis of NPD data collected at $T = 10$ K.^a

| Atom | Wyckoff site | x | y | z | $B_{iso} / \text{Å}^2$ | Occ |
|------|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------------------|---------|
| I1 | 4d | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.75 | 0.93(9) | 0.14(1) |
| I2 | 4a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.04(6) | 0.85(9) |
| S1 | 4d | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.75 | 0.93(9) | 0.85(9) |
| S2 | 4a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.04(6) | 0.14(1) |
| S3 | 16e | 0.1261(2) | -0.1261(2) | 0.6261(2) | 0.57(6) | 1 |
| Si1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.10(4) | 0.25 |
| Ge1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.10(4) | 0.25 |
| P1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.10(4) | 0.25 |
| Sb1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.10(4) | 0.25 |
| Li1 | 48h | 0.2958(2) | 0.0210(2) | 0.7041(8) | 1.93(2) | 0.36(0) |
| Li2 | 24g | 0.25 | 0.0242(0) | 0.75 | 0.71(6) | 0.36(0) |

^a $F\bar{4}3m$ space group, $a = 10.25347(4)$ Å, $V = 1078.984(10)$ Å³, $\rho = 2.439$ g cm⁻³, $R_{wp} = 3.23\%$, $\chi^2 = 3.329$.

Table S5. Structural parameters for Li_{6.5}[Si_{0.25}Ge_{0.25}P_{0.25}Sb_{0.25}]S₅I (SC) from Rietveld analysis of NPD data collected at $T = 298$ K.^a

| Atom | Wyckoff site | x | y | z | $B_{iso} / \text{Å}^2$ | Occ |
|------|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------------------|---------|
| I1 | 4d | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.75 | 1.56(9) | 0.12(7) |
| I2 | 4a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.09(6) | 0.87(2) |
| S1 | 4d | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.75 | 1.56(9) | 0.87(2) |
| S2 | 4a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2.09(6) | 0.12(7) |
| S3 | 16e | 0.1234(9) | -0.1234(9) | 0.6234(9) | 1.16(1) | 1 |
| Si1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.87(8) | 0.25 |
| Ge1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.87(8) | 0.25 |
| P1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.87(8) | 0.25 |
| Sb1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.87(8) | 0.25 |

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|-----|-----|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Li1 | 48h | 0.2967(5) | 0.0200(2) | 0.7032(5) | 3.09(5) | 0.32(2) |
| Li2 | 24g | 0.25 | 0.0184(9) | 0.75 | 1.57(9) | 0.43(8) |

^a $F\bar{4}3m$ space group, $a = 10.30141(7)$ Å, $V = 1093.178(17)$ Å³, $\rho = 2.407$ g cm⁻³, $R_{wp} = 3.92\%$, $\chi^2 = 2.807$.

Table S6. Structural parameters for Li_{6.5}[Si_{0.25}Ge_{0.25}P_{0.25}Sb_{0.25}]S₅I (SC) from Rietveld analysis of NPD data collected at $T = 10$ K.^a

| Atom | Wyckoff site | x | y | z | $B_{iso} / \text{Å}^2$ | Occ |
|------|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------------------|---------|
| I1 | 4d | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.75 | 0.92(9) | 0.13(5) |
| I2 | 4a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.07(7) | 0.86(5) |
| S1 | 4d | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.75 | 0.92(9) | 0.86(5) |
| S2 | 4a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.07(7) | 0.13(5) |
| S3 | 16e | 0.1254(3) | -0.1254(3) | 0.6254(3) | 0.49(8) | 1 |
| Si1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.15(8) | 0.25 |
| Ge1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.15(8) | 0.25 |
| P1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.15(8) | 0.25 |
| Sb1 | 4b | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.15(8) | 0.25 |
| Li1 | 48h | 0.2973(9) | 0.0199(5) | 0.7026(1) | 1.85(8) | 0.32(2) |
| Li2 | 24g | 0.25 | 0.0211(3) | 0.75 | 1.54(4) | 0.43(8) |

^a $F\bar{4}3m$ space group, $a = 10.25696(6)$ Å, $V = 1079.088(15)$ Å³, $\rho = 2.436$ g cm⁻³, $R_{wp} = 3.08\%$, $\chi^2 = 3.122$.

Table S7. Li-Li jump distances at $T = 298$ and 10 K for the Li_{6.5}[Si_{0.25}Ge_{0.25}P_{0.25}Sb_{0.25}]S₅I samples prepared with different cooling rates, with MC data taken from the literature.^[1] For comparison, the corresponding jump distances in Li₆PS₅I are also given ($T = 300$ K, from ref. [2]).

| T / K | 48h-48h / Å | Intracage / Å | Intercage / Å |
|---|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| 298 (Q) | 1.31(4) | 2.69(3) | 3.28(3) |
| 298 (MC) | 1.39(6) | 2.64(2) | 3.24(2) |
| 298 (SC) | 1.361(2) | 2.67(3) | 3.25(3) |
| 10 (Q) | 1.33(3) | 2.66(3) | 3.27(3) |
| 10 (MC) | 1.39(2) | 2.63(2) | 3.23(1) |
| 10 (SC) | 1.38(1) | 2.65(2) | 3.22(2) |
| 300 (Li ₆ PS ₅ I) | 1.25 | 2.57 | 3.35 |

Table S8. Binding energies from fitting of XPS data. Major and minor indicate that two contributions were assumed in the curve fitting.

| Element | BE / eV (Q) | BE / eV (MC) | BE / eV (SC) |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| O 1s | 531.8 (major) | 532.0 (major) | 532.0 (major) |
| | 532.8 (minor) | 533.0 (minor) | 533.1 (minor) |
| Sb 3d | 530.2 (major) | 530.4 (major) | 530.3 (major) |
| | 529.3 (minor) | 529.5 (minor) | 529.5 (minor) |
| S 2p | 161.3 (major) | 161.5 (major) | 161.4 (major) |
| | 163.3 (minor) | 163.7 (minor) | 163.7 (minor) |
| P 2p | 132.1 | 132.4 | 132.2 |
| Si 2p | 100.9 (major) | 101.0 (major) | 101.0 (major) |
| | 102.5 (minor) | 102.7 (minor) | 102.7 (minor) |
| I 4d | 48.6 (major) | 49.4 (major) | 49.3 (major) |
| | 49.1 (minor) | 49.9 (minor) | 49.9 (minor) |
| Sb 4d | 34.1 (major) | 34.3 (major) | 34.2 (major) |
| | 33.2 (minor) | 33.3 (minor) | 33.3 (minor) |
| Ge 3d | 30.7 | 30.9 | 30.8 |

Table S9. Surface composition of the samples prepared with different cooling rates in units of at.% from XPS.

| Sample | Li | P | Si | Ge | Sb | S | I | O |
|--------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|
| Q | 39.1 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 2.9 | 32.4 | 12.3 | 8.3 |
| MC | 37.9 | 1.6 | 3.1 | 1.8 | 2.9 | 32.1 | 12.0 | 8.7 |
| SC | 35.5 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 36.6 | 9.4 | 11.6 |

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