# Magnetic heterostructures and nanoscopic materials

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Review: Santiago Canon and DM, Adv. Funct. Mater. (2021). doi:10.1002/adfm.202007788



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Nanoscopic materials

Impact of reduced dimensionality on the material properties

Multidomain vs Single domain state

Ferromagnetism vs Superparamagnetism

What is the origin of the observed differences in magnetic behavior between a sample with nanometric dimensions and a macroscopic sample of the same material? These differences are shown to arise from broken translation symmetry in nanometric samples, from the higher proportion of atoms on the surface, or interface, from the fact that the sizes of objects of nanoscopic scale, or nanoscale are comparable to some fundamental or characteristic lengths of the constituent material and other effects. The exchange length and the magnetic domain wall width are some of the characteristic lengths that are more relevant to the magnetic properties.

Alberto P. Guimarães, Principles of Nanomagnetism, Springer (2017)



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Impact of the geometry of the object



Member of the Helmholtz Association Dr. Denys Makarov I E-Mail: d.makarov@hzdr.de I Intelligent Materials and Systems Micromagnetism (minimalistic)

1. A. Aharoni: Introduction to the theory of ferromagnetism (1996)

2. R.C. O'Handley: Modern magnetic materials: Principles and applications (2000)



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## Formation of magnetic domains

In 1907, Weiss proposed the concept of magnetic domains. Those are regions inside the material that are magnetized in different direction. Domain walls separate domains.

P. Weiss, J. Phys. 6 (1907) 401.



Domain formation results in the minimisation of the magnetostatic (MS) energy. Introduction of 180deg domain walls reduces the MS energy but increases the domain wall energy; 90deg closure domains eliminate MS energy but increase anisotropy energy in uniaxial materials.



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## **Relevant energy densities**

Exchange energy 
$$f_{\text{ex}} = -\frac{2JS^2}{a^3}\cos\theta_{ij} = A\left(\frac{\partial\theta}{\partial x}\right)^2 \xrightarrow{3D} A\sum_{i=1}^3 \left(\frac{\nabla M_i}{M_s}\right)^2$$

Magnetostatic

$$f_{ms} = -\mu_0 M_s \cdot H_i = \frac{\mu_0}{2} M_s^2 \cos^2\theta$$

Magnetocrystalline

$$f_a = K_2 \sin^2 \theta + K_4 \sin^4 \theta + \cdots \text{(uniaxial)}$$
  
$$f_a = K_1 (\alpha_1^2 \alpha_2^2 + \alpha_2^2 \alpha_3^2 + \alpha_3^2 \alpha_1^2) + K_2 \alpha_1^2 \alpha_2^2 \alpha_3^2 + \cdots \text{(cubic)}$$

Magnetoelastic

$$f_{me}^{\rm iso} \approx B_1 e_{33} \sin^2 \theta = \lambda_S^2 E \cos^2 \theta = \frac{3}{2} \lambda_S \sigma \cos^2 \theta$$

Zeeman  $f_{\text{Zeeman}} = -M \cdot B$ 

Minimization of the sum of these energy densities results in equilibrium magnetic state of the sample



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## **Domain walls**



Bloch wall: charged surface on the external surface of the sample

Neel wall: charged surface internal to the sample



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## Concept of single domain particles: Magnetic data storage



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## Patterned magnetic media

L1<sub>0</sub> chemically ordered FePt alloy allows thermal stability for 3-nm-large grains

Single grain ⇔ Single bit => Patterned Magnetic Media



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## Single domain particles

The critical radius of a spherically shaped particle is defined when the energy of a domain wall spanning a spherical particle is equal the change of the magnetostatic energy for a single- and two-domain states

$$\sigma_{dw} S = 4\pi r^2 (AK)^{1/2}$$
 vs.  $\triangle E_{MS} \approx 1/2 \times 1/3 (1 - a_0) u_0 M_s^2 V$   
 $a_0 \approx 0.5$ 



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$$r_c \approx 36 \frac{(AK_u)^{1/2}}{\mu_0 M_s^2}$$
 (large  $K_u$ )  $r_c \approx 3 \text{ nm for Fe}$   
 $r_c \approx 30 \text{ nm for } \text{Fe}_2 \text{O}_3$ 



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## Information bits in perpendicular recording media



log 0 Orientation angle π

Higher areal density <=> Reduce the bit size

Bit size: 50 nm A: 10<sup>-11</sup> J/m M<sub>S</sub>: 0.6 T

 $K_{\rm U}$ : 1 MJ/m<sup>3</sup>

Piramanayagam, *J. Appl. Phys.* **102** (2007) 011301 Eisenmenger et al., *Nature Mater.* **2** (2003) 437 Criteria: Long time stability (~10 years)

[Anisotropy Energy] = 60 x [Thermal Energy]

$$K_U \cdot V = 60 \cdot k_B \cdot T$$



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## Superparamagnetism

Paramagnetism describes the tendency of a material to be attracted to a permanent magnet due to the presence of least one unpaired electron in a material

Superparamagnetism: deals with small particle, which are ferromagnetic. At long time scale (measurement time is longer than the relaxation time) the particle behaves as paramagnet. Application of an external magnetic field results in a much stronger magnetic response than would be the case for a paramagnet

Probability *P* per unit time for switching of a nanoparticle:

$$P = v_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta f V}{k_B T}\right)$$

the first term in the right side is an attempt frequency factor equal approximately  $10^9$  s<sup>-1</sup>.  $\Delta f$  is equal to the anisotropy constant.

For a spherical particle with  $K_u = 10^5 \text{ J/m}^3$  the superparamagnetic radii for stability over 1 year and 1 second, respectively:

$$r_0^{1\text{yr}} \approx \left(\frac{10k_B T}{K_u}\right)^{1/3} \approx 7.3 \text{ nm}, \quad r_0^{1\text{s}} \approx \left(\frac{6k_B T}{K_u}\right)^{1/3} \approx 6 \text{ nm}$$

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## Effect of geometrical curvature



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## 3D curved magnetic shell structures

Cylindrical surfaces



Streubel et al., Nano Lett. (2012) & (2014) & Adv. Mat. (2014)

#### Curvature induced skyrmions on a sphere



Kravchuk et al., PRB (2016); PRL (2018)





Spherical surfaces

Albrecht et al., *Nat. Mater.* **4**, 203 (2005) Ulbrich et al., *PRL* (2006); DM et al., *APL* (2007)... Kravchuk et al., *PRB* **85**, 144433 (2012)





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## Impact of curvature on a magnetic system

Magnetic interactions in the anisotropic Heisenberg ferromagnet:  
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$$E = L \int_{S} \left[ A \sum_{i=x,y,z} (\nabla m_i)^2 + K(\boldsymbol{m} \cdot \boldsymbol{n})^2 \right] dS$$
Exchange energy Anisotropy energy  
In a curvilinear basis, micromagnetic energy can be rewritten:

$$\mathscr{E}_{ex} = \left[\nabla\theta - \Gamma(\varphi)\right]^{2} + \left[\sin\theta\left(\nabla\varphi - \Omega\right) - \cos\theta\frac{\partial\Gamma(\varphi)}{\partial\varphi}\right]^{2}$$
$$\mathscr{E}_{ex} = \mathscr{E}_{ex}^{0} + \mathscr{E}_{ex}^{A} + \mathscr{E}_{ex}^{D} \qquad \mathscr{E}_{ex}^{0} = (\nabla\theta)^{2} + \sin^{2}\theta(\nabla\varphi)^{2}$$
Induced anisotropy responses:
$$\mathscr{E}_{ex}^{A} = \Gamma^{2} + \sin^{2}\theta\Omega^{2} + \cos^{2}\theta(\partial_{\varphi}\Gamma)^{2}$$
Quadratic in curvature  
Induced chiral responses:
$$\mathscr{E}_{ex}^{D} = D_{\alpha\beta\gamma}m_{\beta}\nabla_{\gamma}m_{\alpha}, \quad D_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = -D_{\beta\alpha\gamma}$$
Linear in

 $\mathscr{E}_{ex}^{D} = -2\left[\left(\boldsymbol{\nabla}\boldsymbol{\theta}\cdot\boldsymbol{\Gamma}\right) + \sin\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\nabla}\boldsymbol{\varphi}\cdot\left(\boldsymbol{\Omega} + \cos\boldsymbol{\theta}\partial_{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}\boldsymbol{\Gamma}\right)\right]$ 

Linear in curvature

Gaididei et al., PRL ('14); Pylypovskyi, DM et al., PRL ('15); Kravchuk, DM et al., PRL ('18); Volkov, DM et al., PRL ('19)...

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**Spherical** 

surfaces

Cylindrical

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Exchange energy Anisotropy energy

#### New approach to material science

## designing magnetic responses by tailoring the geometry of thin films

Induced anisotropy responses:
$$\mathscr{E}_{ex}^{A} = \Gamma^{2} + \sin^{2}\theta\Omega^{2} + \cos^{2}\theta(\partial_{\varphi}\Gamma)^{2}$$
Quadratic in  
curvatureInduced chiral responses: $\mathscr{E}_{ex}^{D} = D_{\alpha\beta\gamma}m_{\beta}\nabla_{\gamma}m_{\alpha}, \quad D_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = -D_{\beta\alpha\gamma}$ Linear in  
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curvature

Gaididei et al., PRL ('14); Pylypovskyi, DM et al., PRL ('15); Kravchuk, DM et al., PRL ('18); Volkov, DM et al., PRL ('19)...

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## Experimental confirmation of curvature effects



Volkov et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 123, 077201 (2019)

### Magnetic Skyrmion states on a curvilinear defect



Kravchuk et al., *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **120**, 067201 (2018) Pylypovskyi et al., *Phys. Rev. Appl.* **10**, 064057 (2018)

### Discovery of a non-local chiral effect in curvilinear ferromagnetic shells



Sheka et al., Communications Physics 3, 128 (2020)

## Magnetic heterostructures



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Heterostructures

Heterostructures show different synergistic relations between two or more building blocks that improve functional characteristics

Each component plays a complementary role in producing multifunctionality

Heterostructures consist of combinations of different materials, which are in contact through at least one interface

Magnetic heterostructures combine different physical properties which do not exist in nature

Editors: Hartmut Zabel and Samuel D. Bader Magnetic Heterostructures: Advances and Perspectives in Spinstructures and Spintransport Springer Trends in Modern Physics (2008)



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## Heterostructures



New J. Phys. 16, 043008 (2014)



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https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/776488



https://www.nature.com/articles/nature12385



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## Heterostructures of ferro- and antiferromagnets Exchange bias effect



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## Magnetic sensors based on magnetoresistive effect

#### Read heads in magnetic data storage









Magnetic Field

GMR sensor elements:

- Resistance change in small external fields
- Antiparallel orientation of the magnetic moment increases resistance
- Sensing layer is a soft F layer
- Reference layer pinned by exchange bias



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## Exchange bias effect: coupling between F and AF layers



Characteristic features:

- A. AF layer has to be cooled in a magnetic field
- B. Hysteresis loop is shifted and broadened
- C. Asymmetric magnetization reversal processes
- D. Effect is strongly temperature dependent



- A. E. Berkowitz and K. Takano, J. Magn. Magn. Mater. 200 (1999) 552
- B. K. O'Grady et al., J. Magn. Magn. Mater. 322 (2010) 883

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## Integral magnetic investigations of EB effect



Exchange bias measurements:

- (1) Warm sample to 320 K and apply  $H_{cool} = 70$  kOe
- (2) Cool sample to the measurement temperature
- (3) Measure hysteresis loop and acquire coercive fields

$$H_{\rm C} = (H_{\rm C}^{\rm R} - H_{\rm C}^{\rm L}) / 2$$
  $H_{\rm EB} = (H_{\rm C}^{\rm R} + H_{\rm C}^{\rm L}) / 2$ 

K. O'Grady et al., J. Magn. Magn. Mater. **322** (2010) 883 M. D. Stiles and R. D. McMichael, Phys. Rev. B **63** (2001) 064405



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## IrMn/(Co/Pt)<sub>4</sub> exchange bias system

Probe coupling at nm scales

Distinct behaviour of bulk and interface in 6 nm IrMn



Field-cooled from 45°C to 7°C



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## Heterostructures of ferro- and non-magnetic materials Giant magnetoresistive effect



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## Anisotropic magnetoresistance (AMR): about 2% effect

AMR: electrical conductivity of ferromagnetic materials depends on the orientation of the magnetization with respect to the direction of the flowing current

Observed in 1856 by W. Thomson (Lord Kelvin)

W. Thomson, Proc. Roy. Soc. (London) 8, 546 (1856/1857)



Explained by N.F. Mott in 1936: spin-orbit interaction needs to be accounted for

N.F. Mott, Proc. Roy. Soc. (London), Ser. A 153, 699 (1936).



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## Giant magnetoresistance (GMR): about 100% effect

GMR: change of the resistance of the magnetic multilayer stack in magnetic field

Application relevant for magnetic sensor devices

Typical GMR values: in the range of 20-100%

Current-in-plane (CIP) measurement scheme



S.S.P. Parkin, Annu. Rev. Mater. Sci. 25, 357 (1995)



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## Interlayer exchange coupling

Kerr microscopy image of the Fe/Cr bilayer with continuously varying Cr layer thickness



Lecture notes of the 40<sup>th</sup> IFF spring school: *Spintronics* (2009)

Dependent on the thickness of the spacer layer:

Ferromagnetic coupling

Antiferromagnetic coupling

90° coupling

## Oscillating F-AF coupling dependent on the thickness of the spacer



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## Tuning the sensitivity of the GMR sensor



## Microscopic origin of GMR



#### Following the two-current model by Mott

N.F. Mott, Proc. Roy. Soc. (London), Ser. A 153, 699 (1936)

Spin-dependent scattering at the interfaces

Scattering causes electrical resistance

Scattering inside the interlayer is neglected

Rates of spin-dependent and spin-independent scattering are the same

One scattering event contribute to the total resistance by an amount *r* 

 $R_{\rm P} = 2r \times 4r / (2r + 4r) = 8r/6$ 

 $R_{\rm AP} = 3r \times 3r / (3r + 3r) = 9r/6$ 

 $\Delta R/R_{\rm P} = 12.5\%$  (max in experiment = 17%)

Lecture notes of the 40th IFF spring school: Spintronics (2009)



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## Interlayer exchange coupling

Phenomenological description

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Interlayer exchange coupling energy:  $E_{\text{coupl}} = -J_1 \cos(\theta) - J_2 \cos^2(\theta)$ 

with  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  – angle between the magnetizations of the films on both sides of the spacer layer

 $J_1$  – bilinear coupling constant;  $J_2$  – biquadratic coupling constant

Parameters  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  determines the strength and type of the coupling

If  $J_1 >> J_2$  and  $J_1$  is positive (negative) then the coupling will be ferromagnetic (antiferromagnetic) If  $J_2 >> J_1$  and is negative, 90° coupling is favorable



Heterostructures of ferro- and non-magnetic materials Dzyaloshinskii–Moriya interaction Physique 20, 817 (2019)



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Heterostructures of ferro- and non-magnetic materials Perpendicular magnetic anisotropy AIP Advances 2, 042182 (2012)



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3D system: a magnetic phase transition occurs at a finite temperature



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3D system: a magnetic phase transition occurs at a finite temperature

1D system: long-range order is possible only at T = 0 Proc. Camb. Philos. Soc. 32, 477 (1936)

2D system: the existence of magnetic long-range order at any finite temperature crucially depends on the number *n* of relevant spin components, usually called spin dimensionality, and determined by the physical parameters of the system (for example, the presence and strength of magnetic anisotropy)



https://www.nature.com/articles/s41565-019-0438-6

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Spin dimensionality n = 1: the system has a strong uniaxial anisotropy and the spins point in either of the two possible orientations ('up' or 'down') along a given direction

Spin dimensionality n = 2 corresponds to an easy-plane anisotropy that favours the spins to lie in a given plane, although the orientation within the plane is completely unconstrained.

Isotropic systems are characterised with n = 3: there is no constraint on the direction of spins

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## Mermin-Wagner(-Hohenberg) theorem

*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **17**, 1133 (1966) *Phys. Rev.* **158**, 383 (1967)

Thermal fluctuations destroy long-range magnetic order in 2D systems at any finite temperature when the spin dimensionality is 3 (isotropic Heisenberg model)



There is no isotropic 2D ferromagnet: long-wavelength excitations (spin waves) can be excited at any finite temperature as there is no gap in the spin wave spectrum (no anisotropy)

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## 2D magnet with n = 2

These systems are described by the so-called XY model

They do not possess a conventional transition to long-range order

The susceptibility diverges below a finite temperature



Berezinskii, Kosterlitz and Thouless pointed out that this divergence is associated with the onset of topological order, characterized by an algebraic decay of spin correlations and by the presence of bound pairs of vortex and antivortex arrangements of spins

Sov. Phys. JETP-USSR **32**, 493 (1971) J. Phys. C. **6**, 1181 (1973)

Below the Kosterlitz–Thouless temperature  $T_{KT}$ , quasi-long-range magnetic order is established, and the existence of a finite order parameter is suppressed only marginally with the system size

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## Crl3

- Semiconducting layered vdW material
- Undergoes low-temperature magnetic transitions
- Exhibits different forms of magnetic order

Magnetization and magnetic susceptibility measurements show that bulk Crl<sub>3</sub> is a strongly anisotropic ferromagnet below the Curie temperature ( $T_c = 61$  K), with its easy axis pointing perpendicular to the layers, and a saturation magnetization consistent with a spin S = 3/2 state of the Cr atoms



Nature 546, 270–273 (2017)

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## Heterostructures with semiconducting TMDCs

Heterostructure of a ferromagnetic semiconductor Crl<sub>3</sub> and a monolayer of WSe<sub>2</sub>



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DRESDEN concept

## 2D materials based magnetic tunnel junctions

Fe<sub>3</sub>GeTe<sub>2</sub> / hBN / Fe<sub>3</sub>GeTe<sub>2</sub> stack

Metallic 2D ferromagnet: Fe<sub>3</sub>GeTe<sub>2</sub>



Nano Lett. 18, 4303 (2018)



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## Magnetic Material – Topological Insulator Heterostructures



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## Magnetic topological insulators

Pathways for magnetizing topological insulators



(Cr<sub>x</sub>,Bi<sub>1-x</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>

MnBi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>4</sub>

 $Bi_2Te_3$ - $Cr_2Ge_2Te_6$ 

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## Heterostructure: ferromagnet and topological insulator



Magnetic proximity effect has a relatively short length scale (few Å). Hence, time-reversal symmetry is broken only at the interface of the TI and MM, and not in the bulk of the TI.

Therefore, typically TI must be sandwiched in between two layers of magnetic insulator (MI) with perpendicular magnetic anisotropy

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## Anomalous Hall effect in FM/TI heterostructures



a) p-type 16 quintuple layer (QL) (Bi<sub>0.25</sub>Sb<sub>0.75</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>–MnTe heterostructure and
 d) n-type 16 QL Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>–MnTe heterostructure

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## [magnetic material] / TI heterostructures

Magnetic me	etal - TI heterostructure					
[118]	AFMM	CrSb	$Cr_x(Bi_{1-\gamma}Sb_{\gamma})_{2-x}Te_3$	_	35 K	Neutron reflectometry, magnetometry, magneto-transport
[121]	AFMM	CrSb	(Bi <sub>1-y</sub> Sb <sub>y</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Te <sub>3</sub>	_	90 K	Magneto-transport
[206]	AFMM	CrSe	$(Bi_{1-\gamma}Sb_{\gamma})_{2}Te_{3}$	-	120 K	Magneto-transport, Magnetometry, Neutron reflectometry
			and many mo	ore		
Magnetic me	etal - TI heterostructure					
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