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# The Tomo-e Gozen wide-field CMOS camera

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- Optical-and-infrared astronomy
- Time-domain astronomy (meteors, near-Earth asteroids ... SNe, FRBs)
- Instrumentation
- P.I. of the Tomo-e Gozen project



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#### Facility

- Established in 1974
- Dark night, 1132-m altitude
- Laboratories, experiment rooms
- Accommodation





Institute of Astronomy Headquarters at Mitaka

#### 1 m Schmidt telescope

- Wide field-of-view ( $\phi$  9 deg)
- Primary mirror: φ 1.5 m spherical
- Corrector lens:  $\phi$  1.05 m
- F-ratio: 3.1



Dome building



1 m Schmidt telescope

## Outline

- 1. Tomo-e Gozen project
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- 3. Hardware and calibration





## 1. Tomo-e Gozen Project

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## **Optical Transient in Short-time Scales**



### **Optical Transient in Short-time Scales**



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Sako et al. 2018

#### **Camera instrument**

- Field of view: 20 deg<sup>2</sup>
- 84 chips of CMOS image sensors (190 M pixels)
- Video data at 2 frames/sec (max)
- Single band in optical ( $\lambda = 380 710 \text{ nm}$ )
- Started observations in 2019

#### Data output and data processing

- Video frames of 30 TB per night (max)
- On-site computing system directly connected to the camera.
- CPU: 200 cores, Storage: 1 PB
- Real-time processing and alert generation based on ML and optimization algorithms.
- Connected to the high-speed network SINET6.



Tomo-e Gozen camera on the telescope's focal plane, features an array of 84 CMOS sensors.

1 m Schmidt telescope at Kiso Observatory Tomo-e Gozen (Tokyo National Museum collection Image: TNM Image Archives)



Research members of the Tomo-e Gozen project

#### FoVs of wide-field cameras



#### Survey power of transients



The numbers in the circles show limiting magnitudes.

# All-Sky Video Survey at Second-Scale Cadence with Tomo-e Gozen

#### **Data Acquisition**

- Autonomous scheduling and self-operated observing, based on real-time assessment of weather conditions
- 20 deg<sup>2</sup> per pointing, 18 frames at 0.5-sec intervals
- Almost every clear night (~100 nights/year)

#### Survey Area

- 12,000 deg<sup>2</sup> (entire sky, > 35 deg alt.): once per night, in 3 hrs
- 3,000 deg<sup>2</sup> (high cadence): up to 10 passes per night

#### **Sensitivity and Performance**

- < 17 mag, < 18 mag (in 9 frames stacked), 3" resolution (seeing limited)
- ~100 million objects detected per full-sky scan

This is the world's only dataset that continuously monitors the night sky over a wide field of view in high sensitivity and high-resolution video.





39.7 arcmin x 22.4 arcmin

## Footprints of the Tomo-e Gozen survey on Apr. 25, 2024



## **Observer Interface and System Integration**

- Commands to the telescope and instruments are issued via a queue + scheduler system.
- The default is autonomous observation, but observers can override the commands when necessary.
- Information is shared via a web browser and social media platforms.

Tomo-e Gozen Queue Status Monitor							
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Automated observation via queue and scheduler system



Control and status	monitoring	of software	processes
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Exposure Log											
DATE(JST)	Exp ID	Object	Observer	Project	(RA, DEC)	Frame Size	N <sub>frame</sub>	Gain	Tint	FPS	ZD
2019-07-07 20:17:46	129850	FLAT	Kiso Staff	Sample Recipe	(15:28:21.7, 115:56:18)	2000×1128	90	high	1.0000	1.0000	79.99
2019-07-07 20:13:09	129849	DARK	Kiso Staff	Sample Recipe	(15:23:44.9, 115:56:24)	2000×1128	360	high	0.5000	2.0000	79.99
2019-07-07 20:07:04	129848	DARK	Kiso Staff	Sample Recipe	(15:17:39.8, 115:56:32)	2000×1128	360	high	1.0000	1.0000	79.99
2019-07-07 19:57:59	129847	DARK	Kiso Staff	Sample Recipe	(15:08:34.7, 115:56:43)	400×240	4500	high	0.0410	24.4057	79.99
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2019-07-07 19:38:02	129845	DARK	Kiso Staff	Sample Recipe	(14:48:35.8, 115:56:54)	400×24	40000	high	0.0055	181.0610	79.99

Access to observation logs and processed image data.



Monitoring of telescope and camera status.



Monitoring of survey observation progress.



Slack is actively used for real-time information sharing

#### Data Flow of Tomo-e Gozen https://tomoe.mtk.ioa.s.u-tokyo.ac.jp/ Internet E ... 🛛 🚖 ± IN 🗆 🛛 😁 Real-time Tomo-e Gozen Kiso Observatory (Kiso, Nagano) Data platform **Reduction servers** (Kashiwa, Chiba) mdx for science projects Stacked and cut-Tomo-e Gozen out images, $\sim 100 \text{ cores}$ ed with 84 chips of CMOS image sensors. Produced data of 30 TByte/night apability of CHOS image serve camera photometry, etc. Supernovae, omatic all-sky video-survey of 7,000 deg<sup>2</sup> and high-cadence video-survey or autational wave events, automated follow-up observations of a few 100 deg Minning GW $( \bigcirc )$ +counterparts 10 TB/night (ave.) 6 % of total 30 TB/night (max) Near-Earth Sinet **Real-time** Ó $\mathbf{F}$ + Data reduction asteroids, transfer Transient detection Space debris Delete after Alert generation ~10 cores, FPGA 5 days Temporary Long-term Reduction Ó data storage data storage 📿 + Stellar flares, servers Tú Faint meteor, ~200TB ~100 cores ~500TB etc. Total data obtained by the Tomo-e Gozen survey 2024.3 (TB) 8000 Data NACJ --- 7.9TB/day 6000 survey data Rainy Rainv Data center of Obtained season 4000 season Rainv NAOJ (Mitaka. season Tokyo) 2000 Total Long-term archive hy oct 5050 the hy oct 051 the hy oct 055 the hy oct 053 the hy Date

Data will be released sequentially starting 3 years after acquisition.

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Partial data release (full access immediately to collaborators)

# Tomo-e Gozen Data Release

1. Via the mdx data platform (Kashiwa Campus)

**Open Data Access** 

- Co-added Image Data
- Calibrated scientific data (FITS)
- Released sequentially starting 6 months after acquisition
- Partially blocked in pos. and period.
- Sky Atlas (for education)
- Calibrated image data (PNG)
- Interactive web interface
- All survey data are available immediately

## 2. Via the NAOJ data center – SMOKA service

#### Co-added Image Data

- Calibrated scientific data (FITS)
- Released sequentially starting 3 years after acquisition

#### Search interface



#### Observation log

Date	Exp ID	Object	Observer	Project	(RA, Dec)
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2021-03-11 20:09	499114	J1817+0000_dith1	Morokuma	All-Sky Survey	(274.455, +0.000)
2021-03-11 20:09	499113	J1827+0725_dith4	Morokuma	All-Sky Survey	(276.222, +7.427)
2021-03-11 20:09	499112	J1827+0725 dith3	Morokuma	All-Sky Survey	(276.222, +7.827)
2021-03-11 20:08	499111	J1827+0725 dith2	Morokuma	All-Sky Survey	(278.778, +7.827)
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#### **Collaborative Research Data**

https://tomoe.mtk.ioa.s.u-tokyo.ac.jp/

Available to official collaborators of the Tomo-e Gozen project

#### Co-added Image Data

- Calibrated scientific data (FITS)
- All survey data released immediately
- Extracted Scientifically Valuable
  Information
- Transient object database
- Fast-moving object database \_\_\_\_\_
- Industry-Academia Collaboration Data
- Information related to artificial satellites, etc.







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## **Collaborations of time-domain observations through** real-time information sharing



simultaneous multiwavelength + Sub-second +

## 2. Scientific Results by Tomo-e Gozen

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## Key scientific publications from the Tomo-e Gozen project

1.	Urakawa et al. ` <i>Shape and Rotational Motion Models for Tumbling and Monolithic</i> <b>Asteroid 2012 TC4</b> : High Time Resolution Light Curve with the Tomo-e Gozen Camera' The Astronomical Journal, Volume 157, Issue 4, article id. 155, 13 pp. (2019).	Near-Earth asteroid
2.	Arimatsu et al. ` <i>New Constraint on the Atmosphere of (50000) Quaoar from a <b>Stellar Occultation</b>' The Astronomical Journal, Volume 158, Issue 6, article id. 236, 7 pp. (2019).</i>	Trans-Neptunian objects
3.	Richmond et al. ` <i>An optical search for transients lasting a few seconds</i> ' Publications of the Astronomical Society of Japan, Vol 72, 1, id.3 (2020)	Searching for unknow flashes
4.	Ohsawa et al. ` <i>Relationship between Radar Cross Section and Optical Magnitude based on Radar and Optical Simultaneous Observations of Faint Meteors</i> ' Planetary and Space Science, Vol 194, id. 105011 (2020)	Faint meteors
5.	Morokuma et al. ` <i>Follow-up observations for <mark>IceCube-170922A</mark>: Detection of rapid near-infrared variability and intensive monitoring of TXS 0506+056' Publications of the Astronomical Society of Japan</i> , Vol 73, 1, pp.25-43 (2021)	Neutrino
6.	Sasada et al. ` <i>J-GEM optical and near-infrared follow-up of gravitational wave events during LIGO's and Virgo's third observing run</i> ' Progress of Theoretical and Experimental Physics, Vol 2021, 5, id.05A104, 23 pp. (2021)	Gravitational wave
7.	Jiang et al. ` <i>Discovery of the Fastest Early Optical Emission from Overluminous <mark>SN Ia 2020hvf:</mark> A Thermonuclear Explosion within a Dense Circumstellar Environment. The Astrophysical Journal Letters, Vol 923, 1, L8 (2021)</i>	Supernova
8.	Nishino et al. ` <i>Detection of highly correlated optical and X-ray variations in <mark>SS Cygni</mark> with Tomo-e Gozen and NICER' Publications of the Astronomical Society of Japan, Volume 74, Issue 3, 6 pp (2022)</i>	Dwarf nova
9.	Niino et al. ` <i>Deep simultaneous limits on optical emission from FRB 20190520B by 24.4 fps of the strong with Tomo-e Gozen</i> ' The Astrophysical Journal, Volume 931, Issue 2, id.109, 7 pp. (2022)	Fast radio bursts
10.	Beniyama et al. ` <i>Video observations of tiny near-Earth objects with Tomo-e Gozen</i> ' Publications of the Astronomical Society of Japan, Volume 74, Issue 4, 27 pp. (2022)	Near-Earth asteroids
11.	Aizawa et al. ` <i>Fast optical flares from M dwarfs detected by a one-second-cadence survey with Tomo-e Gozen</i> ' Publications of the Astronomical Society of Japan, Volume 74, Issue 5, pp.1069-1094 (2022)	M-dwarf flares

## Improving the accuracy of transient detection using ML models. 20

Detection of transient events via comparison with archival survey

#### Challenge

 Although the wide-field survey data typically contain ~10 transients per night, they also produce up to ~10<sup>6</sup> false positives.

#### Solutions

- Real/Bogus classification using ML models (CNN, VAT) with **images**:
  - $\rightarrow$  Reduced false positives to  $\sim 10^2$  per night.
- Enhanced accuracy using additional features from astronomical catalogs
  - $\rightarrow$  Applied Random Forest models to improve classification performance further.



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Latest image

Difference

Real/Bogus classification powered by Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN)

Past image



#### Simulated image of SN 2020hvf



Detection of early light curve from Type Ia SNe (Jiang et al. 2021)

# Improving the accuracy of fast-moving object detection using ML models

Detection of moving objects with 1-50 arcsec/sec speed in survey video data

## Challenge

 Each night, the survey contains ~1,000 fast-moving objects, but generates ~1 million false positives.

#### Solutions

- A feature-based ML classifier was developed to distinguish real/bogus detections.
  - $\rightarrow$  False positives reduced to ~100 per night.
- Candidate is made publicly available within minutes after observation.

## Detection and tracking of near-Earth Objects (NEOs)

- Cross-matched with artificial object catalogs.
  - ~99.9% are artificial satellites or debris.
  - ~0.1% are identified as NEOs.
- Immediately follow up to determine the orbit and rotational characteristics.





Beniyama et al. 2022

Light curve of 2012  ${\rm TC}_4$  and estimated shape





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Artist's impression of NEO (UTokyo)

49 NEOs discovered by Tomo-e have been officially registered with the IAU.

#	Name	Discovery date	Estimated diameter
49	2022 YF6	2022-12-27	16m
:	:	:	:
17	2020 VH5	2020-11-13	5m
16	2020 VR1	2020-11-09	5m
15	2020 VJ1	2020-11-09	15m
14	2020 UQ6	2020-10-20	94m
13	2020 QW	2020-08-17	28m
12	2020 PW2	2020-08-14	6m
11	2020 HT7	2020-04-27	14m
10	2020 HU3	2020-04-21	21m
9	2020 GY1	2020-04-02	16m
8	2020 FA2	2020-03-18	10m
7	2020 EO	2020-03-12	21m
6	2019 XL3	2019-12-15	13m
5	2019 XT2	2019-12-08	17m
4	2019 XM2	2019-12-05	16m
3	2019 VD3	2019-11-05	21m
2	2019 SU10	2019-09-25	12m
1	2019 FA	2019-03-16	6m

## **Exploring Second-Scale Flares from M Dwarfs**

- Continuous 2 fps fixed-field monitoring observations of ~5,700 M dwarfs. Total data: 10 hours, 30 TB
- Flare detection rate: 3 4 flares per 200 deg<sup>2</sup> · hr
- Identified 22 flares exhibiting significant brightening over short timescales of several tens of seconds.
- Suggest that energetic flares with rapid rise times occur on active M dwarfs at an average rate of once per day.









Artist's impression of short-duration flares on an M dwarf  $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  UTokyo



Press release from UTokyo, Aizawa et al.



## Sub-Second Optical–X-ray Simultaneous Observations of a Dwarf Nova

- Conducted high-speed, sub-second resolution simultaneous observations in optical and X-ray wavelengths of the dwarf nova SS Cyg.
- Discovered that brightness variations in the optical and X-ray bands are correlated.
- This is thought to be caused by X-rays emitted from hot gas located near the WD, which in turn illuminate the surrounding accretion disk and the companion star.

#### Tomo-e Gozen



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Optical 400 – 700 nm Wide-field, high-sensitivity Video data by CMOS Time accuracy: < 1 msec



Soft X-ray 0.2 – 12 keV Large effective area (Silicon Strip Detector) Video data by CMOS Sub-sec scale resolution

Time accuracy: < 0.1 msec







Nishino et al. 2022, PASJ

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Press release from UTokyo, Nishino et al.



Time (sec)

# Simultaneous Observations of Fast Radio Bursts (FRBs) with Tomo-e Gozen and Radio Telescopes

To put constraints on the radio-optical SED.

## Monitoring of Known Repeating FRBs

- Simultaneous optical-radio monitoring in coordination with FAST 500 m (China)
- During active phases, >10 radio bursts can be observed within a few hours.
- No optical emission has been detected so far.
- Observations are ongoing.

## Wide-Field Monitoring of Non-Repeating FRBs

- Wide-field monitoring the same field-of-view as CHIME (Canada) in optical.
- Expected event rate: ~1 per 240 hours.
- No optical emission has been detected so far.
- Observations are ongoing.



## Simultaneous Optical–Radar Observations of Faint Meteors (Interplanetary Dust)

- Simultaneous observations of faint meteors using Tomo-e Gozen (Kiso) and MU radar of Kyoto University (Shiga)
- Achieved simultaneous detections of faint meteors
- Derived a conversion factor between radar cross section and optical brightness/mass of tiny meteoroids.



red: Tomo-e Gozen (optical) 5 deg

0.01 mg -- 1 g



Ohsawa+ 2020

of meteor (mag in optical)

Brightness

— MU radar + CCD camera (in 2009 – 2010) MU radar + Tomo-e Gozen (in 2018) 10 -20 20 -30 -10 10

blue: MU radar (radio)

The radar cross section (RCS) is measured in dB relative to  $1 \text{ m}^2$ .

Press release from UTokyo, Ohsawa et al.

## Search for Optical Counterparts of Gravitational Wave Events

## Rapid Follow-ups with Tomo-e Gozen

- Wide field-of-view (20 deg<sup>2</sup>) and fast response capability (< 20 mag).
- Transient detection pipeline can identify candidates for GW counterparts.
- Particularly advantageous when GW localization uncertainties are large.
- For BNS mergers, detections are feasible for events within  ${\sim}100$  Mpc.

#### Tomo-e Gozen Follow-up in GW Observing Runs O3 – O4a

- Responded to 43 GW alerts, targeting high-confidence, welllocalized, and nearby events (BNS, NS-BH, BBH).
- No optical counterparts were detected.

#### **Observing Runs O4b**

- Currently ongoing since April 2024
- No optical counterparts were detected.





https://observing.docs.ligo.org/plan/

BNS merger



## 3. Hardware of Tomo-e Gozen

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# Schmidt Telescope (Spherical Primary + Corrector Lens)<sup>29</sup>

#### Advantages: Extremely wide field of view

- Free from spherical aberration, astigmatism, and coma across the entire focal plane
- Bright optical system

#### **Disadvantages: High construction cost**

- Long focal length
- Requirement for a large corrector lens
- Need for a larger-than-normal primary mirror



Image: KOJ OK MARA (Forward Stroke)

Kiso 1.05 m Schmidt telescope  $D_c = 1050 \text{ mm}, D_p = 1500 \text{ mm}$   $F/3.1, f = 3300 \text{ mm}, 16 \mu m/arcsec$ Third-largest Schmidt telescope in the world

# **Design Concept of the Tomo-e Gozen Camera**

### **Key Features**

- Wide FoV and high-speed consecutive (video) observation
- Simplified system
  - At room temperature and ordinary pressure
  - No moving parts
  - Easy maintenance
- Raw data are automatically deleted after 5 days

Realize a large-scale and highly stable system



# Large pixel CMOS image sensor

- Canon 35MMFHDXM
- 2,000 × 1,128, **19 μm/pix**,
- Front-side illuminated
- Microlens array + protective glass
- Rolling shutter read, 16ch analog output
- Photosensitive area / package = 0.35
- Sensitivity range: 370 730 nm
- Power consumption: 230 mW chip<sup>-1</sup> @ 2 fps
- Full well : 6,000 e<sup>-</sup>, 53,000 e<sup>-</sup> @ G = x16, x1.7
- **Read out noise : 2.0 e**<sup>-</sup>, 9.2 e<sup>-</sup> @ G = x16, x1.7
- Dark current: 6 e<sup>-</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup> @ 305K
  - → Less than dark-sky background level (< 50 e<sup>-</sup>/sec) even at room temperature

The typical seeing size on the telescope focal plane is  $60 \ \mu m \ (= 4")$ 



CMOS image sensors arranged along a spherical focal surface





- Picel scale : 1.189 "  $pix^{-1}$  (typical seeing size 3")
- FoV of 1 chip : 39.7' × 22.4'







# **Camera Housing Fabrication and Assembly**

By manufacturing the base plate with high precision, sensor alignment work was eliminated. (1) High-precision measurement of the base geometry

(2) Each block was precisely machined to cancel out the height error of the base plate.



Achieved an alignment error of 60  $\,\mu\,{\rm m}$  peak-to-valley relative to the spherical focal surface.



Blocks adhered to the back of each sensor



336 FPCs connected to84 CMOS sensors



21 blocks installed on the base plate



Top surface positions of the blocks measured precisely.

# **Fabrication of Curved Window Frames**

• Manufactured using a metal 3D printer, followed by surface finishing with a milling machine.



Material : AlSi10Mg Size : 254 × 284 × 10 ~ 50 mm Build time: 74 hours per unit



Metal 3D Printer: EOS M290 (Advanced Technology Center, NAOJ)



Fabricated curved window frames



Installed on the Tomo-e Gozen camera



~1.5 K above ambient air temperature (No active temperature control is applied) 35

# **Data Acquisition System**



## **Environmental Monitoring to Supporting Autonomous Observations**

• Weather Monitoring Instruments



Rooftop of the main building at Kiso Observatory

- Infrared all-sky camera
- Visible-light all-sky camera
- Radiation thermometer (single-pixel, for cloud detection)
- Fog sensor
- Rain sensor (wetness detection)
- Weather station (temperature, humidity, wind direction and speed, raindrops)

Infrared All-Sky Camera for Cloud Monitoring



conditions, moonlight, and urban lights)

## Performance Verification of Camera Instrument in Laboratory

#### Electronics

- Quantum efficiency, dark current, readout noise, and full well
- Those temperature and pixel dependence

### Optics

- Pixel scale, field-of-view
- Efficiency of optical elements.
- Vignetting of the incoming beam

#### Thermal

- Daily temperature variation



These verified characteristics are utilized to estimate observational performance.

## **Basic Calibration**

## The following basic calibrations are performed for each frame.

Remove zero offsets of CMOS sensor

Dark frames are obtained before starting observations (every evening).

• Uniformize sensitivity difference in pixel-to-pixel, caused by sensor and optics

Flat frames are obtained before starting observations (every evening).

- Correct image distortion and pixel scale
  - 1. Measure the centroid positions of stellar objects detected in the same frame.
  - 2. Compare the position values and the Gaia catalog.
- Calibrate the efficiency of sensor, optics, and atmospheric transmittance

Transform from the photometric values (ADU) to the photon number.

Perform relative photometry using the Gaia catalog.

Color correction is also performed.

Color correction factors are empirically derived from Tomo-e Gozen photometric values and linear combinations of Gaia G,  $G_{BP}$ , and  $G_{BR}$  values.



## **High-Accuracy Calibration**

The following calibrations can improve the quality of the reduced data. However, we DO NOT apply these reductions because the Tomo-e Gozen project prioritizes the detection of transient and fast-moving phenomena, and computing resources are limited.

- Temperature dependence of dark current, pix-to-pix uniformity of efficiency (flat pattern).
- Gradient of the efficiency within the frame.
- Time variation of the color correction factors due to characteristics changes of the earth's atmosphere

# Summary

#### Tomo-e Gozen project

- A wide-field survey project designed to capture short-timescale transient phenomena.
- Video observations of a 20 deg<sup>2</sup> field at up to 2 fps.
- Operates autonomously, surveying over 10,000 deg<sup>2</sup> per night.

#### Exploration of rapid variability down to the second timescale

- Utilizes ML models to identify transient phenomena and fast-moving objects.
- Successfully detected stellar flares with second time-scales.
- Ongoing simultaneous optical-X-ray observations of accretion disks.

#### Tomo-e Gozen camera

- Equipped with 84 CMOS sensors, with a high-performance computing system directly connected to the camera.
- Simplified system
  - At room temperature and atmospheric pressure, no moving parts, easy maintenance
  - Minimal data processing is performed.
- Raw data are automatically deleted after 5 days



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