Interação Pessoa-Máquina

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Evaluation - Dates

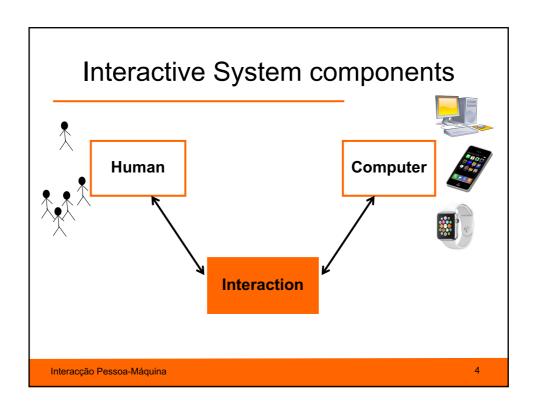
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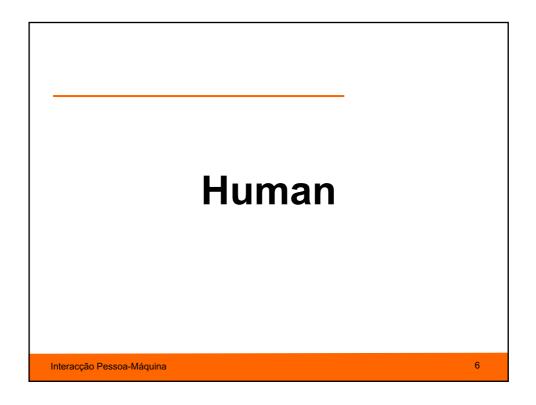
- T1: November 7, 19h
- T2: December 13, 19h

Mandatory lab classes:

- Prototype testing day: October 18, 19 and 20
- Heuristic evaluation
- Project presentation

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Human

- · Human have limited capacities to process information
- The information is received and sent through several input/output channels:
 - Visual
 - Auditory
 - Haptic
 - Movement
- · The information is stored in memory:
 - Sensory memory
 - STM
 - LTM
- The information is processed and applied:
 - Reasoning
 - Problem solving
 - Knowledge acquisition
 - Frror
- Users share many capabilities, but, at the same time, they have many different characteristics that influence the way they interact with the surrounding environment.

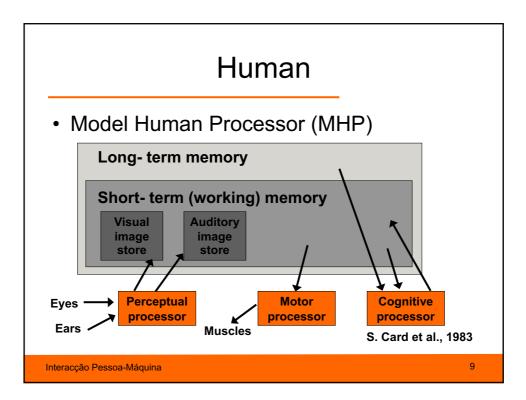
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Human

- "Model Human Processor" (S. Card et al., 1983) a simplified view of the human processing involved in interacting with computer systems:
 - Perceptual system handle the sensory stimulus from the outside world.
 - Motor system controls actions.
 - Cognitive system provides the necessary processing to connect the two above.
- Processing and memory is required at all levels.
- The model includes a set principles of operation which dictate the behaviour of these systems under certain conditions.

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Human

- Model Human Processor (MHP)
 - Processors' cycle time
 - Tp \cong 100ms [50-200ms]
 - Tm \cong 70ms [25-170ms]
 - Tc \cong 70ms [30-100ms]

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Human

- Model Human Processor (MHP)
 - Perceptual fusion

 - Motion picture 1/Tp frames/second are enough
 - Feedback in < Tp feels instantaneous
 - · Sense of causality

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Human

- A more simple model:
 - Receive information and respond through input/output channels.
 - The information is stored in memory.
 - The information is processed and applied in several ways.
- Human capabilities are relevant...
- ...as well as the individual differences.

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Human - I/O channels

- Input → senses
- Output → motor control
- · Senses:
 - Sight, hearing, touch, smell and taste.
- Fingers, eyes, head, vocal system.

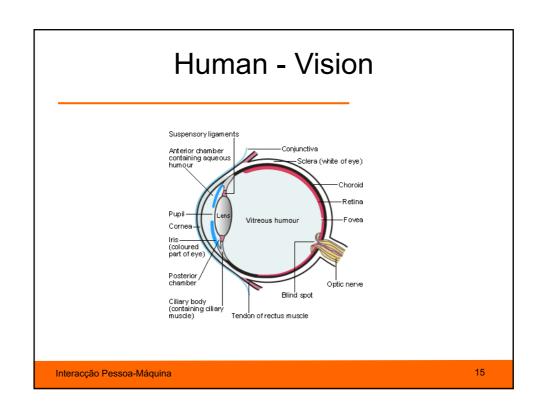
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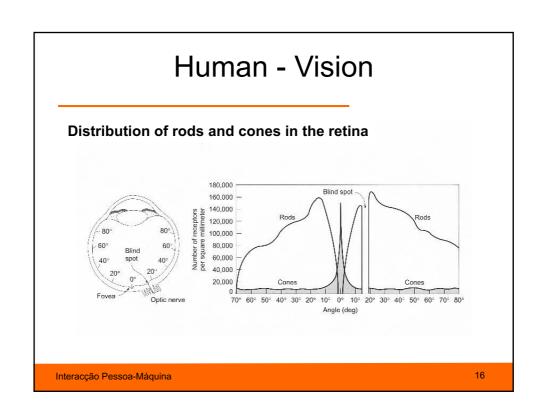
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Human - Vision

- · Primary source of information for the average person
- Two stages:
 - Reception of physical stimuli
 - Stimuli interpretation and processing
- Vision apparatus: eye
 - Mechanism that receives light and transforms it in electrical energy.
 - Light is reflected from objects; their image is focused upside down in the back of the eye.
 - The retina contains 2 types of photoreceptors: rods, highly sensitive to light, allowing us to see under a low level of illumination (dominate peripheral vision); and cones, allowing colour vision (sensitive to different wavelength of light).
 - Ganglion cells: X-cells detect patterns and Y-cells detect movement.

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Colour

- Cones are sensitive to light of different wavelengths.
 There are 3 different types of cones, each sensitive to a different colour light.
- Only 3-4% of the fovea is occupied by cones which are sensitive to blue light (blue acuity is lower – don't use blue for small details).
- 8% of males and 1% of females suffer from colour blindness.

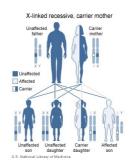
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Human - Vision

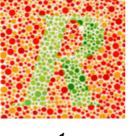
- Colour blindness
 - "Recessive" gene located in chromosome X
 - Males can only transmit colour blindness to their daughters.
 - Better night vision

Genotype	Phenotype	
$X_{D} \mid X_{D}$	Female with normal vision	
$X_D \mid X_d$	Female with normal vision	
$X_d \mid X_d$	Female with colour blindness	
$X_D \mid Y$	Male with normal vision	
$X_d \mid Y$	Male with colour blindness	



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- Colour Blindness
 - Ishihara test





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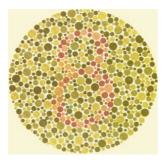
Human - Vision

- · Colour blindness
 - Ishihara test

Image	Normal vision	Deficient perception of red and green	Lack of colour perception
1	R	Е	
2	U	G	

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- · Colour blindness
 - Ishihara test



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Human - Vision

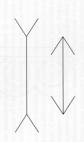
- · Visual processing
 - Visual processing involves the transformation and interpretation of a complete image, from the light that is thrown onto the retina.
 - Our expectations affect the way an image is perceived:
 - If we know that an object is a particular size, we will perceive it as that size no matter how far it is from us.
 - Visual processing compensates for the movement of the images on the retina and changes in luminance.

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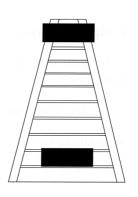
Visual processing

Optical illusions sometimes occur due to overcompensation

The Muller-Lyer illusion



The Ponzo illusion



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Human - Vision



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- Perceptions
 - are not a mere sum of sensations...
 - are influenced by:
 - our current emotional state
 - the context
 - our experience
 - ...

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Human - Vision



From Joel Santos, Fotografia, Centro Atlântico, 2010

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- Visual processing
 - Context is used to solve ambiguities



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Human - Vision

Visual processing





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Reading

- When reading we make a series of fixation-saccade-fixation sequences.
- Reading eye movements:
 - · saccades, the eye movement itself
 - · fixation duration or the intersaccadic interval
 - regressions (i.e. right-to-left eye movements)
 - return sweeps (going from the end of one line to the beginning of another).
- No information is taken in during saccades (10-25 msec), regressions (10-25 msec) or return sweeps (40 msec).
- During fixation (250 msec) a visual pattern is reflected on the retina.

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Human - Vision

Reading

- Several stages
 - · Visual pattern perception (characters and words)
 - Decode with reference to an internal representation of language
 - Interpretation by syntactic and semantic analysis
- Font size, spacing, line length have influence in the reading speed.
- Adults read approximately 250 words a minute.
- Reading from a computer screen/Book: Speed? UX?

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Reading

- Font sizes of 9 to 12 points are equally legible, given proportional spacing between lines
- Line lengths of between 58 e 132 mm are equally legible.
- Negative contrast (dark characters on a light screen) provides higher luminance and, therefore, increased acuity than positive contrast.

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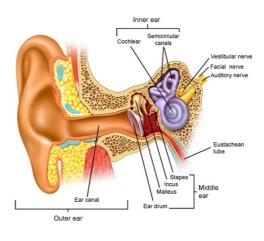
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Hearing

- Provides us with information about our environment:
 - · Objects, distances, directions, ...
- Try to close your eyes and listen:
 - · What sounds can you identify?
 - · Where do they come from?
- Human ear
 - Outer ear: protects the middle ear, collects sound waves and channels them down the ear canal to the middle ear and amplifies some sounds.
 - Middle ear: transmits the sound waves, as vibrations, to the inner ear and amplifies sound.
 - Inner ear: Chemical transmitters are released and causes impulses in the auditory nerve.

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Human - Audio

- Sound (vibrations in the air):
 - Pitch sound frequency
 - Loudness amplitude
 - Timbre type or quality
- · Humans are able to identify sound's location
- Audible frequencies: 20Hz a 20kHz
- The auditory system filters the sound we are able to distinguish sounds despite of the background noise
 - Cocktail party effect

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Human - Audio

 How can we use the properties of sound, effectively, in interface design?

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Human - I/O channels

- Touch
 - Provides important feedback information about the surrounding environment.
 - · Catch a glass of water without feelling it.
 - Manipulation of objects in virtual reality systems.
 - It is an essential sense for visual impaired people.
 - Stimuli are received by sensory receptors in the skin.
 - Some areas of the body are more sensitive than others.
 - Two-point threshold test
 - We are aware of the position of our body and limbs (affect performance).

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Human - I/O channels

- Movement
 - Movement time:
 - Stimuli reception → processing → response generation
 - Depends on physical characteristics: age, fitness, ...
 - Reaction time
 - · Depends on the type of stimuli
 - visual: 200msauditory: 150ms
 - pain: 700ms
 - · Combined stimuli reduces reaction time.
 - · Decreases with skills and practice and increases with fatigue.

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Human - I/O channels

- Movement
 - Accuracy:
 - Speed of reaction results in reduced accuracy?
 - Depends on the task and the user
 - Video gamers / Keyboard operators
 - Speed and accuracy to move to particular target on the screen (button, icon, menu item).
 - Depends on the size of the target and the distance that have to be moved.

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Human - Movement

· Fitts' Law

- Describes the time a user takes to select a target on the screen.
- Time (Mt) to move your hand to a target of size S at distance D is:

$$Mt = a + b \log_2 (D/S + 1)$$

- Mt movement time
- a e b empirically determined constants
- D distance
- S size
- In general:
 - · Targets should be as large as possible
 - · Distances should be as small as possible

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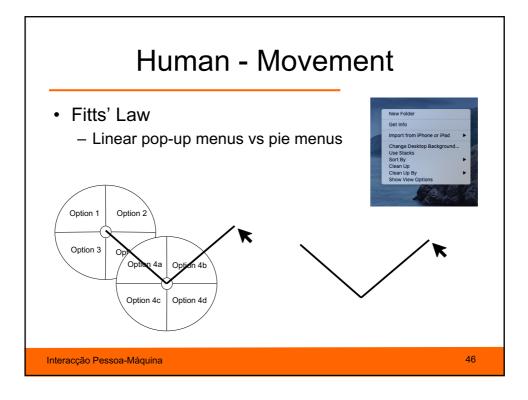
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Human - Movement

- · Fitts' Law
 - Targets at screen edge are easy to hit
 - · Mac/Windows menubar



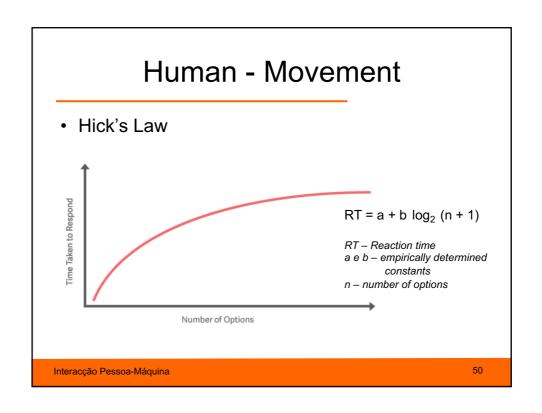
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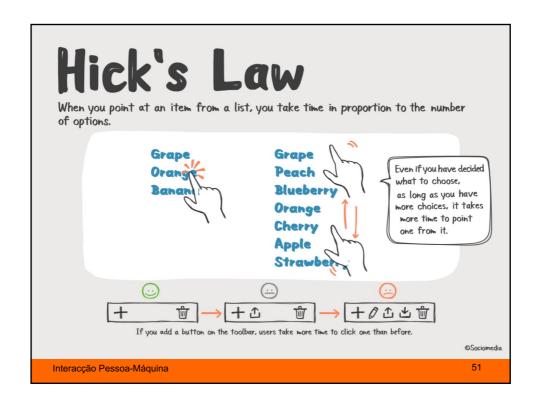


Human - Movement

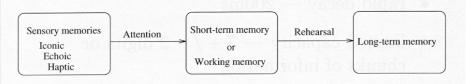
- · Fitts' Law
 - Hierarchical menus
 - Windows 500ms timeout (sense of causality is lost).
 - Mac triangular zone, spreading from the mouse to the submenu, in which the mouse pointer can move without losing the submenu.
 - <u>Fitts's law demo</u> (http://fww.few.vu.nl/hci/interactive/fitts/)

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· Three types of memory:



- Sensory Memory
 - Buffers for stimuli received through the senses:
 - · iconic visual stimuli
 - · echoic aural stimuli
 - · haptic touch
 - Constantly overwritten as new information arrives.

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Human - STM

- Short-Term Memory (STM)
 - "Scratch-pad" for temporary recall of information
 - Example: Mental calculations, reading.
 - Quick access: 70ms
 - Quick decay: 200ms
 - Interference causes faster decay
 - Limited capacity: 7 ± 2 information blocks (Miller's law).
 - Desire to complete and close tasks held in the STM

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• Example:

7561093

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Human - STM

• Example:

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• Example:

36B789C563

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Human - STM

• Example:

?

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• Example:

643 71B 83M6

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Human - STM

• Example:

?

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Human - STM

• Example:

WAU HTP NYD KSD YHB

IBM BMW FBI URL ATM

ABC DEF GHI JKL MNO

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Can you remember a 50-digit number?
 (after seeing it for 1 second)

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Human - LTM

- Long-Term Memory
 - Knowledge repository
 - Slow access time: 1/10 second
 - Little decay (if any)
 - Huge capacity (or unlimited)
 - Two types:
 - Episodic: memory of serial events.
 - Ex: remember the events that took place in a certain moment of our lives.
 - Semantic: structured record of facts, concepts and skills. Represents relationships between information.
 - Ex: if Snoopy is a dog => Snoopy has 4 legs.
 - Semantic LTM derived from episodic LTM

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- Processing in the LTM
 - Information storage
 - STM → LTM by rehearsal
 - · Studies show:
 - Total time hypothesis The amount of information learned is proportional to the amount of time spent learning.
 - Distribution of practice effect Learning time is most effective if it is distributed over time.
 - Structure, meaning and familiarity make information easier to remember.

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Human - LTM

- · Processing in the LTM
 - Forgetting
 - · Information is gradually and slowly lost.
 - · LTM is selective and influenced by emotions
 - We tend to remember highly emotive events than mundane ones
 - "Good old days"
 - Apparently, new information replaces the old one (retroactive inhibition), but sometimes old memory interferes with new information (proactive inhibition).
 - Do we forgot information or we just are not able to retrieve it?
 - Tip of the tongue experience
 - Recognition

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- Processing in the LTM
 - Information retrieval
 - Recall (relembrar)
 - Information is reproduced from memory. Cues can be helpful (categories, images, ...)
 - Recognition (reconhecer)
 - The presentation of the information provides the knowledge that the information has been seen before.
 Easier than the recall process – the information is the cue.
 - Examples: Colleagues from the 4th grade, quiz shows.

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Human - Memory

- You will see 10 3-character strings
- · One at a time
- Try to remember them
- The order is not important
- Can't write them down before I say so

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WAT

HEP

CAX

NOF

TEH

DOK

RIJ

ZIB

BAL MEQ

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Human - Memory

Write down the strings you remember, now!

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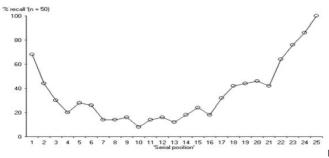
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Human - Memory

· Primacy and recency effects

Typically, words at the start of the list and especially those at the end tended to be recalled most often.



Murdock, 1962

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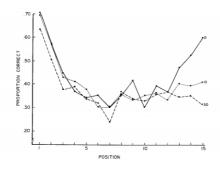
- Same exercise, but...
- Wait 30 seconds (count down from 30) before recall (writing down the strings).

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Human - Memory

Primacy and recency effects
 Delaying recall by 30 seconds prevented the recency effect.



Glanzer and Cunitz, 1966

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Human - Thinking

- Problem solving
 - Conceptual Blockbusting, James L. Adams, Basic Books, New York, 2001

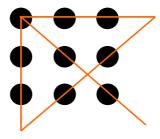


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Human - Individual differences

Individual differences

- In interface design we should consider individual differences
- Three main types of differences
 - · Long term: sex, physical and intellectual capabilities
 - · Short term: stress, fatigue, ...
 - · Changes: age, idiosyncrasies...
- Be aware if a design decision may exclude part of the target users population.
- In the same group of target users significant differences can be noticed.
- The users should not be forced to work on their perceptual and cognitive limits. They should feel comfortable in using the systems.

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Human - Emotions

Emotions

- The biological response to physical stimulus is called affect.
- Affect influences how we respond to situations
 - Positive emotions creative thinking, complex problem solving
 - Negative emotions restrict reasoning.

"Negative affect can make it harder to do even easy tasks; positive affect can make it easier to do difficult tasks."

Donald Norman, Emotional Design

- Build interfaces that promote positive responses.

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