

Applied Machine Learning

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- Ridge Regularization
- Lasso Regularization
- Elastic Net

Ridge Regularization

- Minimization goal includes regularization term

- $\frac{1}{N}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})^T(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}) + \lambda\boldsymbol{\beta}^\top\boldsymbol{\beta}$

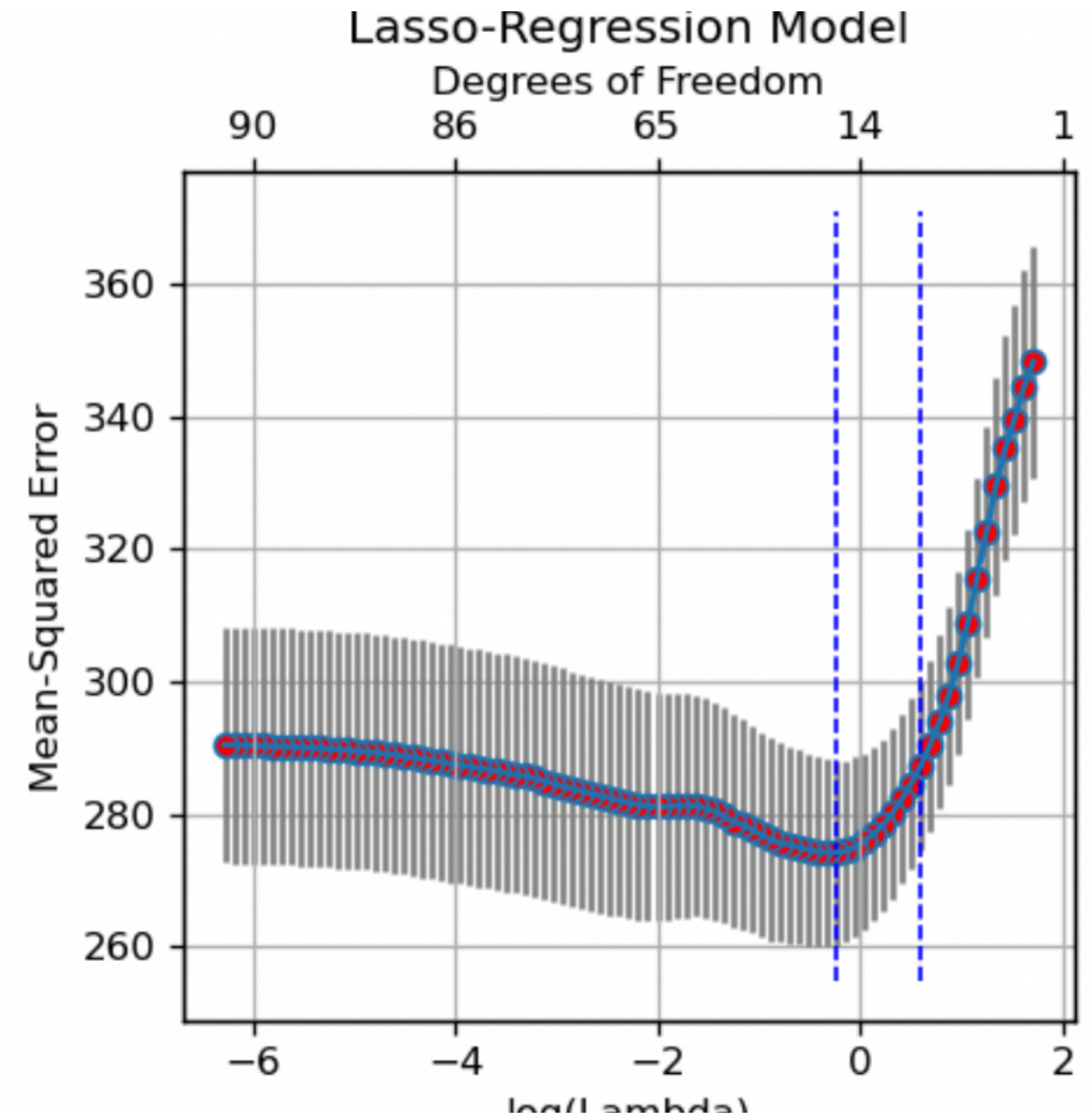
- $\lambda \geq 0$ penalizes large values of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$

- L_2 norm: $\|\boldsymbol{\beta}\|_2 = \boldsymbol{\beta}^\top\boldsymbol{\beta}$

- $e(\beta_k) = (a + \lambda)\beta_k^2 - 2b(\beta_{-k})\beta_k + c(\beta_{-k}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta_k = \frac{b(\beta_{-k})}{a + \lambda}$

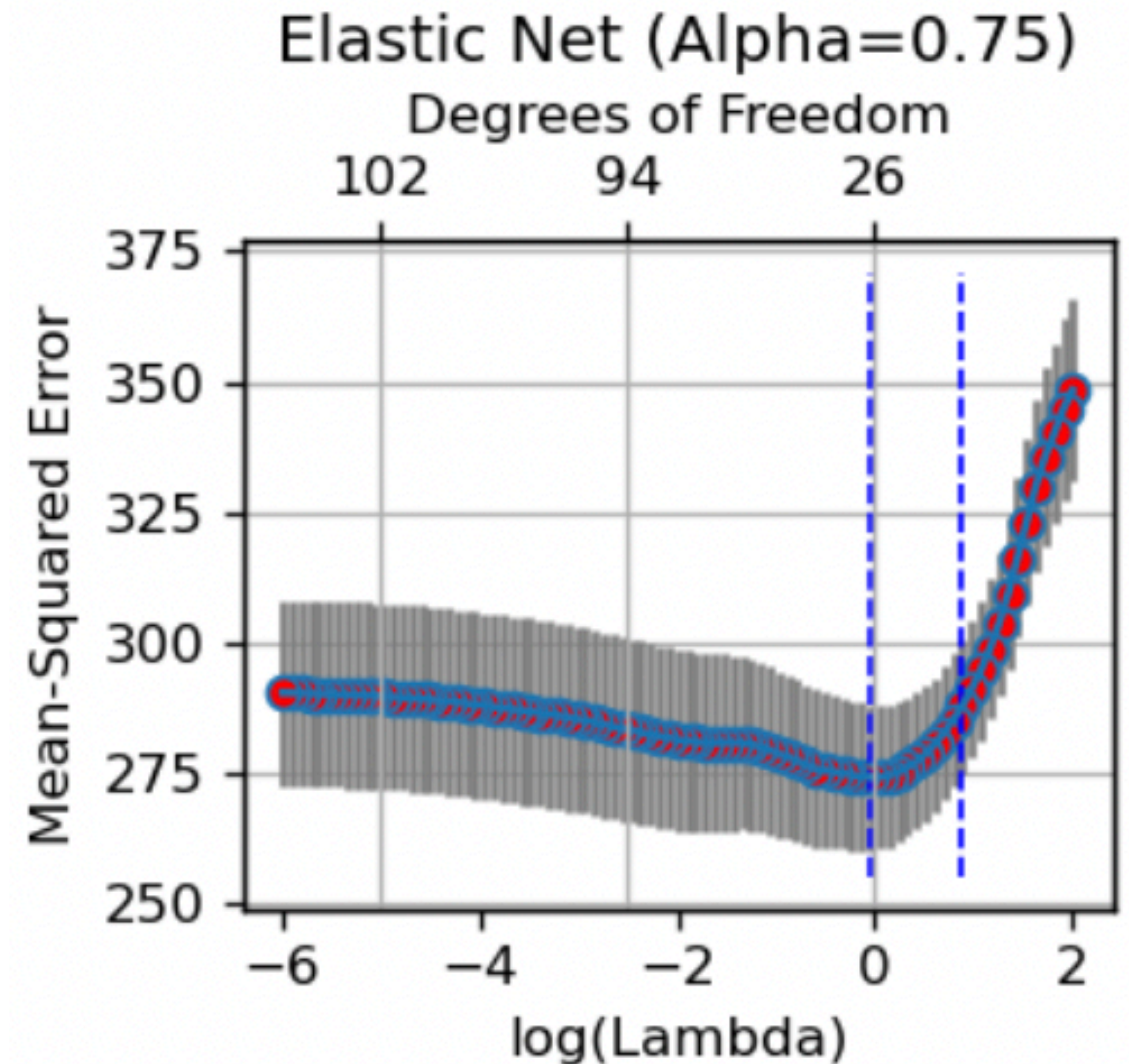
Lasso Regularization

- L_1 norm: $\|\beta\|_1 = \sum_k |\beta_k|$
- Minimization Goal:
$$\frac{1}{N}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)^T(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta) + \lambda\|\beta\|_1$$
- statistic libraries
 - stochastic descent is not a good option
 - solve regularization path for all values of $\lambda > 0$
- Explanatory variables with corresponding coefficient = 0 can be removed



Elastic Net

- Correlated explanatory variables
 - Lasso regularization may include only one
 - May result in worse predictions
- Elastic Net
 - weighted on L_1 and L_2 norms
 - minimization goal:
$$\frac{1}{N}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)^T(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta) + \lambda \left(\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \|\beta\|_2^2 + \alpha \|\beta\|_1 \right)$$
 - $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$
 - $\alpha = 1$: Lasso. $\alpha = 0$: Ridge



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