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## **Non-collinear long-range coupling in modulated manganites.**

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Non-volatile and tunable non-collinear magnetic structures in thin films are gaining increasing importance for several spintronics applications, such as triplet spin-valves, or devices based on the topological Hall effect. Non-volatile non-collinearity can be tailored in heterostructures that exhibit exchange bias or long-range couplings, as the RKKY. We report on the experimental observation of a novel, complex non-collinear structure based on the imprinting of canted antiferromagnetism of the spacer to the neighboring ferromagnetic layers [1]. We studied superlattices composed of optimally doped ( $x=0.4$ ) ferromagnetic  $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{MnO}_3$  of fixed thickness and overdoped ( $x=0.8$ ) spacer of variable thickness. High hole diffusion over several unit cells creates depth-modulated manganite homojunctions, with an overall complex magnetism that differs from that of its singular components. In particular, at intermediate spacer thickness, we obtained a non-collinear synthetic antiferromagnet, which we investigated by means of polarized neutron reflectometry and diffraction. The novel long-range non-collinear structure is a non-volatile phase which is easily tuned with application of small magnetic fields ( $H < 100$  mT).

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