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Objectives and Activities

The main objective of AMM is to contribute to mechanical design at all levels starting from academic research to industrial initiatives. thereby enhancing the quality and reliability of indigenous machines. With this in view, AMM organises the International & National Conference on Machines and Mechanisms, iNaCoMM, and the workshops on Industrial Problems on Machines and Mechanisms, IPRoMM regularly.

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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

After some delay, amidst rainy atmosphere, Volume 7, No. 3, July 2015 issue of the Bulletin of the Association of Machines and Mechanisms (AMM) has become ready for publishing at this late August.

Dr. Ranjit Kumar Barai, the Zonal Vice President (East), who was given main responsibility to bring out this issue of the Bulletin, was in abroad these days. He tried a lot whatever he could do from abroad. However, no contributed article was received initially for this issue. Finally Prof. Subir K. Saha came out with a technical write up along with his students. This article is on "Mechanism Analysis Using MechAnalyzer Software" in which a brief about using a software developed by the group is included. Concerned interested persons may be benefitted from this article.

The iNaCoMM-2015 and some other events associated with the Association are being organised in the coming months within India and abroad. Interested persons may find the Information Brochure of the upcoming events in this issue of the Bulletin as usual. They may send articles and/or participate in the conference.

"Student Mechanism Design Contest" that would be held during iNaCoMM-2015 at IIT, Kanpur is also outlined in this bulletin. Interested students may participate in these events with their inquisitive ideas.

Dr. G. Sarvanakumar, the Secretary of the AMM, and other office bearers of AMM have taken the initiative to bring out this issue as usual. The Editor-in-Chief gratefully acknowledges the support extended by the office bearers and Editorial Board members.

For bringing out October 2015 issue, AMM members are requested to contribute articles, technical briefs, etc. and send same to the editorial team. Constructive suggestions, comments towards improvement of the Bulletin of the AMM are most welcome. I feel members should think whether an International Journal of the AMM can be thought of in near future to promote the Mechanisms community further.

Prof. Santanu Das Editor-in-Chief

About the Association of Machines and Mechanisms (AMM)

The AMM headquarter is currently located at the Department of Engineering Design, IIT Madras. A new set of office bearers have taken charge of the affairs of AMM. AMM invites both individual and corporate membership from Indian academia, research organizations and industry. Membership benefits and other information about AMM are available at www.ammindia.org. The body of Zonal Vice Presidents (ZVPs) is active over the past several years with representations from the four corners of the country. They are playing the role of nodal agencies so as to decentralise the AMM official activities and to organise workshops under the aegis of AMM to popularise the mechanism science in their respective regions. They also form the editorial team of this news bulletin. AMM invites contributory articles from its members and others working in the various fields of mechanisms science for this quarterly news bulletin. Interested people can contact the editorial team.

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--- Lord Stanley

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- Through an IFToMM Technical Committee Chairperson, to participate in a specific activity
- Through the IFToMM Executive Council
- Through the IFToMM Secretary General:

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- meetings, conferences, publications, direct collaboration
- 47 IFToMM Members of territory and national Organizations

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Biomechanical Engineering
Computational Kinematics
Gearing and Transmissions
Linkages and Mechanical Controls
Micromachines
Multibody Dynamics
Reliability
Robotics and Mechatronics
Rotordynamics
Sustainable Energy Systems
Transportation Machinery
Tribology
Vibrations

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Communications, Publications and Archiving Education History of MMS Standardization of Terminology

6 affiliated Journals and 2 book series:

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Problems of Mechanics <u>http://pam.edu.ge</u>
Open-access Mechanical Sciences

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http://www.cjmenet.com Journal of Vibration Engineering & Technologies http://www.tvi-in.com/

Mechanics Based Design of Structures and Machines http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/15397734.asp Book series on MMS

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A World Congress every 4 years



International Federation for the Promotion of Mechanism and Machine Science

Mission

To promote research and development in the field of Machines and Mechanisms by theoretical and experimental methods, along with their practical application Vision

To provide leadership for cooperation and development of modern results in the Mechanism and Machine Sciences by assisting and enhancing international collaboration

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IFToMM, April 2014

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Executive Council

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- define new directions in research and development within their technical areas;
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- promote the exchange of information;
- organize national and international symposia,

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Welcome to Taipei, China-Taipei, venue of the 14th IFToMM World Congress, 25-30 October, 2015,

www.iftomm2015.tw

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Int. Symposium on
History of Machines and
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Workshop on
Computational
Kinematics (CK)
Rotordynamics
Conference
CISM-IFTOMM
Symposium on Robot

Design, Dynamics, and Control (ROMANSY) Mechanical Transmission Applications (MeTrApp) Symposium on Robotics & Mechatronics (ISRM) European Conf on Mechanism Science (EUCOMES) Asian Conference on MMS (ASIAN MMS) Summer Schools

Conferences under IFToMM patronage (selection)

Local conferences of the IFTOMM Members Symposium on Theory and Practice of Robot and Manipulators (SYROM) IFTOMM-FeIbIM Int. Symposium on Multibody Systems and Mechatronics (MUSME)

Joining IFToMM Member Organizations gives the following benefits:

international contacts for potential developments of joint projects; reduced registration fees for IFToMM supported conferences; participation and contribution in IFToMM activities and publications; flow of information on IFToMM activities.

You are kindly invited to join IFToMM and its activities.

Mechanism Analysis Using MechAnalyzer Software

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1. Introduction

MechAnalyzer is a 3-D model based software for effective teaching and learning of mechanisms related courses at an undergraduate level. It is an evolving product under development in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at IIT Delhi under the guidance of Prof. Subir Kumar Saha.

2. About MechAnalyzer and Few Case Studies- An Outline

The software consists of common planar mechanisms, which are already preloaded in it. Some of them are four bar, slider crank, double slider, quick return mechanisms, etc. can be visualized in 3-D along with animation that adds to the fun part in learning. The mechanisms are analyzed using analytical and graphical approach for forward kinematics. The analytical approach uses vector closed loop equations, for example, in a four bar linkage, vector closed loop equations are written for analyzing position, velocity and acceleration of the links while considering all link angles with respect to the ground. A screenshot of the mechanism is shown in Figure 1.

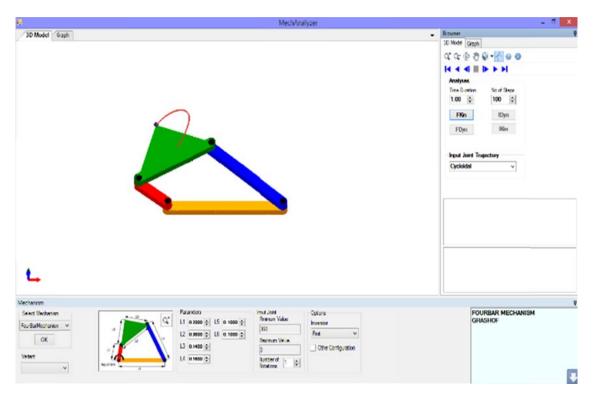


Figure 1: Four bar mechanism in MechAnalyzer

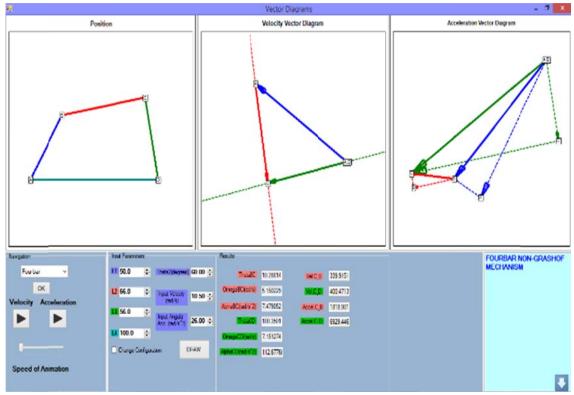


Figure 2: Vector diagrams for four bar mechanism in MechAnalyzer

Apart from this, mechanisms can also be analyzed using graphical approach which is generally easy for students to understand, and teachers find it easy to teach as well. Here vector diagrams for velocity and acceleration are drawn for each mechanism. For drawing a vector diagram, known parameters are drawn in the scaled form that results a polygon of vectors. The animation shows stepwise formation of vector diagrams imparting a good understanding of mechanisms. A screenshot of vector diagrams for four bar mechanism is shown in Figure 2.

3. Concluding Remarks

Thus, MechAnalyzer software provides a better understanding of basic concepts related to kinematic analysis of mechanisms. It is freely available on www.roboanalyzer.com/mechanalyzer.html. For any queries, suggestions or feedback, write to the authors on the contacts given above.









IFToMM 2015 World Congress Oct. 25-30, 2015, Taipei, Taiwan

http://www.iftomm2015.tw

Call for Paper

The 14th IFToMM World Congress will be held in Taipei, Taiwan, on Oct. 25-30, 2015. IFToMM Wolrd Congress is held every 4 years and is the largest congress on mechanism and machine science. It will provide opportunity for researchers, scholars and students with interests in the theory and practice of mechanisms and machines for new ideas, sharing experiences, and discussing future developments.

TOPICS OF THE CONGRESS

Papers are welcome on the general areas of mechanisms, but not limited, to the topics of the IFToMM Technical Committees and (EI), DOI and ISBN numbered. Permanent Commissions, namely:

- · Biomechanical engineering
- Computational kinematics
- Design methodology
- Dynamics of machinery • Education
- Gearing and transmissions
- History of MMS
- · Linkage and mechanical controls
- Mechatronics
- Micromechanisms
- Multibody dynamics
- · Reliability of machines and mechanisms
- Robotics
- Rotor dynamics
- Standardization of terminology
- Sustainable energy systems
- Transportation machinery
- Tribology
- Vibration

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PRESENTATION AND PROCEEDINGS

The official language is English. Registered the theory and practice of machines and participants will receive one Digital Proceedings which will be Engineering Index

PAPER SUBMISSION

All papers must be submitted electronically and they will be reviewed. Authors are requested to submit a full length paper, 4 pages (minimum) to 10 pages (maximum). The abstracts are NOT acceptable. The format will follow the IFToMM template that is available in the congress webpage. Best Paper awards will be given.

IMPORTANT DATES

Full version of the paper should be submitted through the Conference Web site.

On-line Submission System Open: 01 Sep. 2014 Full Paper submission: 15 Jan. 2015 Provisional decision: 15 Apr. 2015

Final version submission: 31 May 2015 Final decision: 15 Jul. 2015

REGISTRATION FEES

Early registration will be before 25 August

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US\$150	US\$200	
	US\$500 US\$550 US\$150	

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Contact: iftomm2015@elitepco.com.tw /

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CONGRESS LOCATION

The island of Taiwan lies about 180 Km off the southeastern China. Taipei City, the capital of Taiwan is a city of fascinating contrasts - a mix of modern and traditional with a generous dash of energy and friendly smile.

It will be It will be held in Taipei International Convention Center which situated in central Taipei, Xinyi District, near Taipei 101, with convenient transportation. For more information, please visit the Tourism Bureau site at: http://www.taipeitravel.net/en/scene/

ACCOMMODATION

A variety of hotels with special rate in different standards with the room rate ranging from US\$133 to US\$387 will be listed on the IFToMM 2015 website.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Taipei can be reached by flight from all around the world to Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport (TPE) and Taipei Song Shan Airport (TSA). TICC is located on Xinyi line of MRT.

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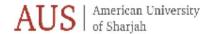
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ISMA'15

10th International Symposium on Mechatronics and its Applications December 8-10, 2015, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

Call for Papers

ISMA'15 is the tenth of a series of symposia focusing on theoretical and practical aspects of mechatronics. It will be held by the Mechatronics Center at the American University of Sharjah, UAE, December 8-10, 2015. The symposium covers the synergetic integration of mechanical engineering with electronics, intelligent control, and design and manufacturing of industrial products and processes. The main idea of the symposium is to bring together scientists, scholars, engineers and students from universities and industries to exchange and promote research in the field of mechatronics, and hence to foster research relations between the universities and the industry in this field.

Scope of the Conference

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- System Integration: Embedded systems, manufacturing systems, sensors, actuators, modeling and simulation, MEMS and NEMS, biomechatronics, autotronics, mechanism design and applications.
- Robotics: Robot kinematics and dynamics, unmanned vehicles, industrial robots, multi robotics, biomedical robotics, telerobotics, microrobotics, navigation, mapping, localization, SLAM, intelligent systems and vision.
- Control Systems: Real-time control, intelligent control, monitoring and supervision, observers, estimation and identification, machine learning and pattern recognition, nonlinear control, robust control, adaptive control, optimal control, digital control, distributed and networked control and control applications.
- Industrial Automation: Electronics, industrial process control, PLC systems, DCS and SCADA.
- Renewable Energy and Sustainable Systems: Mechatronics applications for control and automation of renewable energy, sustainable systems, sustainable production and smart buildings.
- Education: Mechatronics education, virtual labs, e-learning in mechatronics, curriculum development and project-based education.

Prospective participants from all over the world are invited to submit their work using our EDAS online submission system: https://www.edas.info/newPaper.php?c=19691

The authors should follow the guidelines posted on the symposium website: www.aus.edu/isma15.

Submitted papers will be peer reviewed. Accepted and presented papers will be published in the proceedings of the ISMA'15 symposium. All accepted and presented papers will be published in IEEE Xplore. Selected papers will be published in a special issue of a reputed journal.

The organizing committee welcomes proposals for special sessions and tutorials to be held in conjunction with ISMA'15. Please send your proposals by email to isma15@aus.edu.

Important Dates

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Submission of a draft paper	r June 15, 2015	
Tutorial and special session proposals	June 15, 2015	
Notification of acceptance	September 15, 2015	
Camera-ready full paper submission	October 15, 2015	

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Social Program

An attractive social program including a visit to the heritage areas, Burj Khalifa tower, museums and shopping centers in Sharjah and Dubal, as well as a half-day desert safari, will be organized.

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Student Poster Competition

A student poster competition will be held during the conference. Prizes will be awarded to the best three posters. Students are invited to submit their research or project work in the area of conference topics.

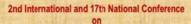
To enter, submit a two-page paper in two-column format describing the contributions that will be shown in the poster to isma15@aus.edu by September 15, 2015. Accepted students will be

notified. Note that papers submitted to the conference do not qualify for the

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Machines and Mechanisms (iNaCoMM-15)

December 16-19, 2015 organized by **Department of Mechanical Engineering**





IIT Kanpur

Under the aegis of



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International Federation for the Promotion of Mechanism and Machine Science

Introduction

The Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Kanpur, under the aegis of the Association for Machines and Mechanisms (AMM), and International Federation for the Promotion of Mechanism and Machine Science (IFTeMM) is hosting the? International and 17th National Conference on Machines and Mechanisms (iNaCoMM 2015). The convention will be held on campus during December 16th-19th, 2015.

Highlights of iNaCoMM-15

iNaCoMM 2015 is the 17th National and 2nd International in the series of biennial conferences on Machines and Mechanisms organized under the aegis of AMM and IFFToM. The convention aims at bringing together researchers, industry experts and students, working on various aspects of design and analysis of machines and mechanisms, to deliberate via oral and poster presentations on recent, novel advances.

iNaCoMM 2015 will feature eminent researchers from India and overseas, as plenary speakers. The Conference is planned to ommence with an introductory lecture on history and evolution of machines and mechanisms followed by a series of workshops on haptics, static balancing, precision mechanisms, and/or smart material-based mechanisms

Each day thereafter will commence with a plenary talk by an eminent scientist followed by interesting morning and afternoon presentation/poster sessions on analysis and design of rigid body and compliant mechanisms, advances in biomedical devices. dynamics/control/vibration analysis of multi-body systems (special session) and machines, health monitoring, applications for rural environment and agriculture, nechatronic, micro- and nano- systems, and numerous other topics.

The day will culminate with another plenary lecture followed Music, Dance and Dramatics Clubs. Professional and Classical, music and dance nights are also planned.

Numerous industry representatives will also showcase recent technological advances in hardware and software.

The conference will cover following broad areas, but not limited to

Agricultural and Industrial Applications Analysis and Synthesis of Mechanisms

Compliant Mechanisms

Design and Analysis of Biomedical Devices Dynamics and Control of Multi-body Systems

Dynamics and Vibration Analysis in Machines Fault Diagnosis and Health Monitoring

History of Machines and Mechanisms Mechanisms and Machines for Rural,

Mechatronic Systems

Micro-, Nano-Machines and Mechanisms Modeling and Simulation

Robotics

Theoretical and Computational Kinematics Tribology Vehicle Dynamics

Call for Papers

Authors are invited to submit a two-page extended abstract at the conference website

(www.inacomm2015.org)

by May 1st, 2015. The official language is English, Acceptance of the abstracts will be communicated by May, 15th, 2015. Full paper submissions followed by the camera ready prints in the Conference template are expected by November 15th, 2015.

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Submission of Abstract	May 1, 2015
Acceptance of Abstract	May 15, 2015
Submission of Full Paper	July 1, 2015
Notification of Decision	Oct. 1, 2015
& reviewer comments	

Final submission of Camera-Ready Prints addressing of reviewer comments.

Nov. 15, 2015

Nov. 15, 2015 (one author must register for inclusion of paper in Conference Proceedings)

Registration Fees

India (INR)	Others (US
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5000	300
7000	450
500	50
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About IIT Kanpur



IIT Kanpur is a mini-academic city, a self sustained, lush green campus spread across 1055 acres hosting about 14, 000 inhabitants. The campus is well-equipped with infrastructure catering to our academic, culinary, residential and recreational requirements. It offers an innate picturesque ambience that is consistently energizing and calming.

IITK experiences all seasons - the scorching heat of the summer, the wet, humid afternoons of the rainy season, and the chilly and hazy nights of the winter. Our hallmark is the presence of peacocks on campus, often lurching on the green grounds or resting on high branches.

Tourism sites in and around Kanpur



India is an experience! A visit to IIT Kanpur comes with a unique advantage of exploring the rich and diverse heritage of Northern India. Kanpur is home to several historical sites, e.g., Bithoor, Ghatampur and Shivrajpur. Visits to the mystic ghats of Varanasi, ancient ruins of Kaushambi, architectural splendor of Khajuraho, clouds touching down in Nainitaal, moonlit Taj and the transcendent beauty of the Himalayas are bound to leave one enriched and craving for more.

iNaCoMM 2015 Dec. 16th - 19th, 2015

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur

Student Mechanism Design Contest

www.inacomm15.org

Objectives

A key objective is to promote innovation among students. Students are encouraged to apply theoretical knowledge in the domain of mechanisms and machines to solve problems relevant to the society.

Award:

The Association of Machines and Mechanisms (AMM) has approved 3 prizes for the Student Mechanism Design Contest. The winning entry will receive 10, 000 INR while the 2nd and 3rd prizes are of 6,000 and

Who can participate?

Participation is restricted to individuals/groups of students (up to three members). ALL registered as fulltime students/research scholars/project staff in recognized institutes.

Participants are invited to submit proposals for design, construction and operation of mechanisms which are innovative and capable of solving a challenging design problem. The design problem may be chosen from a wide range of application domains - from agricultural and rural technology to automobile and aerospace engineering. Examples include:

- A Tree climbing mechanism.
- Walking mechanism (with two or more legs).
- 3. Mars-rover type small vehicle which can climb over significant obstacles.
- 4. Staircase climbing mechanism.
- 5. Foldable mechanisms, which can be deployed as useful structures, e.g., space-efficient beds, tables and other furniture, etc.
- 6. An ergonomic device to help crush manually, to prepare road "aggregate" in rural applications.
- An economical cable way system to transport materials (level and sloping grounds).
 Ergonomic design for rod-bending machine, commonly used at construction sites.
- A foot-operated substitute of the hand-pump.
- 10. Automatic operation of traditional games, such as table tennis return function.

The above listing is only representative. Participants are free to innovate on their own.

Following additional points may also be noted:

- The mechanism could be manually powered or operated by a small motor or engine.
- 2. Operational safety of the mechanism/machine and the power source is of utmost importance. Unsafe machines will not be allowed for demonstration.
- 3. It is suggested that the mechanism be light and compact, and easy to transport, assemble and operate at the venue. Significant modifications/repairs cannot be done at the venue.
- 4. Machines using significant artificial intelligence (robots) are not allowed. However, some sort of remotecontrol from an operator is allowed.
- 5. The prototype machine must be operated satisfactorily in front of the judges, and each machine will be given at most three chances, to demonstrate its performance.

Procedure and deadlines:

- 1. Participants must submit a 2-page proposal by October 1st, 2015, outlining the design challenge and novelty/innovation of the proposed design. Submissions should be done through email, with the subject line: Proposal for the Students' Mechanism Design Contest, to the following addresses: anunams@iitk.ac.in, inacomm2015@omail.com.
- 2. Decisions will be sent out by October 15, 2015, and participants with promising proposals would be requested to proceed towards developing a working prototype.
- 3. Participants have to submit details of the prototype by November 10th, 2015, including photographs or video clips. Please e-mail all material as a .zip file attached to an email to anupams@litk.ac.in.inacomm2015@gmail.com with the subject line "Update on SMDC
- 4. Reviews of the prototypes will be sent out by November 20th, 2015, and successful participants will be requested to participate in the final round, to demonstrate their working prototypes during INaCoMM 2015 at IIT Kanpur. Those invited for final presentation will be provided
- Finished prototypes are to be demonstrated before a panel of judges.
- 6. Winners will be adjudicated based on the extent of innovation, difficulty of the design challenge, effectiveness of the proposed solution towards solving the actual problem, etc.
- 7. In any matter related to the contest, decision of the judges and/or the organisers would be final and binding.



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