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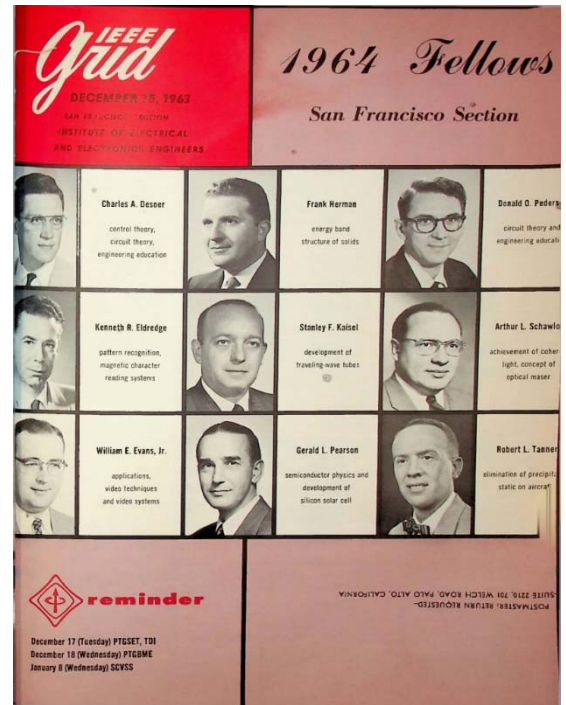
with Paul Wesling, SF Bay Area Council GRID editor (2004-2014)

December, 1963 (mid-month):

Cover: Nine of our Section's engineers have been elected to the grade of Fellow. Profiles are on page 3.

Page 3: Prof. Donald Pederson, of UC-Berkeley, is elected IEEE Fellow for his work in circuit theory and education. He had finished his PhD at Stanford, then worked at Bell Labs. The SPICE analog circuit simulator was developed at UC-Berkeley under his direction in the early 1970s; the birth of SPICE is now an IEEE Milestone. The IEEE Solid State Circuits Field Award is named for him.

Prof. Arthur Schawlow, of Stanford, is also elevated to Fellow, for his concept of the optical maser (laser) and coherent light; he receives the Nobel prize in 1981. He demonstrated the laser as a guest lecturer in my physics class.



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# 1964 Fellows

## San Francisco Section



**Charles A. Desoer**

control theory,  
circuit theory,  
engineering education



**Frank Herman**

energy band  
structure of solids



**Donald O. Pedersen**

circuit theory and  
engineering education



**Kenneth R. Eldredge**

pattern recognition,  
magnetic character  
reading systems



**Stanley F. Kaisel**

development of  
traveling-wave tubes



**Arthur L. Schawlow**

achievement of coherent  
light, concept of  
optical maser



**William E. Evans, Jr.**

applications,  
video techniques  
and video systems



**Gerald L. Pearson**

semiconductor physics and  
development of  
silicon solar cell



**Robert L. Tanner**

elimination of precipitation  
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Among 118 members throughout the international structure of IEEE elevated to the grade of Fellow for 1964 by the board of directors at its meeting of October 30 were the nine prominent Section members pictured on the cover. For more on their citations and backgrounds, see page 3.

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### '64 DIRECTORS ELECTED

Edward C. Bertolet was elected chairman of the Wescon board of directors for 1964 and S. H. "Penny" Bellue was named chairman of the executive committee in mid-November elections.

Bertolet, vice president of Behlman-Invar Electronics Corp., will chair an eight-man working board of electronics industry executives who volunteer their time to the Western Electronic Show and Convention. The 1964 board includes Bellue, Hugh P. Moore, and Ralph Lamm, all of Los



Moore

Lamm

Angeles, and John Chartz, Edward W. Herold, John S. McCullough, and Phillip L. Gundy, all of the San Francisco area. McCullough and Gundy were elected to four-year terms. Herold and McCullough represent the San Francisco Section on the board.

Bellue, director of corporate procurement of Packard Bell Electronics Corp., will direct the executive committee, composed of the four host city directors from southern California and Manager Don Larson, who carry principal responsibility for planning and execution of the 1964 show, sched-

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Chartz

Herold

## MEETING CALENDAR

### SANTA CLARA VALLEY SUBSECTION

8:00 P.M. • Wednesday, January 8, 1964

*A field trip, reading, speech and hearing laboratories. Open to the public. Methods of improving reading, speech, and hearing for students, with the use of electronic equipment, will be discussed.*

Prof. Paul Betten, San Jose State College

Place: Education Building, Room 100, San Jose State College

No dinner

### TECHNICAL DIVISION

#### Industrial

8:00 P.M. • Tuesday, December 17

*Experiences in Industrial Telemetry*

Conrad Hoepfner, president, Industrial Electronics Corp.

Place: Main Conference Room, Stanford Research Institute, 333 Ravenswood Ave., Menlo Park, California

No dinner

### PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL GROUP CHAPTERS

#### Bio-Medical Electronics

8:00 P.M. • Wednesday, December 18

*Laser Coagulation of the Eye*

Milton Flocks, M.D., associate clinical professor of surgery, Division of Ophthalmology, Stanford University

Place: Stanford University School of Medicine, Room M 112

Dinner: 6:00 P.M., Red Cottage Inn, 1706 El Camino Real, Menlo Park

Reservations: Con Rader, 326-1970, Ext. 327, by Dec. 17

#### Space Electronics and Telemetry

8:15 P.M. • Tuesday, December 17

*Laser Communications*

Dr. Burt McMurtry, Sylvania, Mountain View

Place: Lockheed, Bldg. 202, 3251 Hanover St., Palo Alto

Dinner: 6:15 P.M., Camino Bowl, 2025 El Camino Real, Mountain View

Reservations: Bob Light, 968-6211, Ext. 2748

### events of interest

#### REGION 6 CONFERENCE

Combining the functions of the former IRE 7th Region Technical Conference and the AIEE Pacific General Meeting, the Region 6 Annual Conference in Salt Lake City, April 29, 30, May 1, will feature 20 technical sessions of five papers each. In addition, at least two sessions will be devoted to instrumentation, the conference being co-sponsored by the Instrument Society of America.

Papers are invited in the following and related fields:

Instrumentation—all areas of operation served by ISA.

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space craft, energy conversion.

Electronics and communications—antennas, radio propagation, lasers, masers, radiometry, space measurements, information theory and coding, automatic controls, electron devices, semiconductor circuitry, circuit theory, high-speed data by wire, advances in telephone techniques, military electronics, satellite relays, communications systems, medical electronics, nuclear reactor instrumentation, audio, data processing, pattern recognition.

Abstracts of approximately 200 words are to be submitted by January 15 to the technical program chairman, Prof. Clayton Clark, EE Dept., Utah State University, Logan, Utah.

## NINE SECTION MEMBERS ELEVATED TO FELLOW GRADE

Nine members of the San Francisco Section, featured on the cover of this issue, have been elevated to the grade of Fellow effective January 1, 1964, it was announced by Donald G. Fink, general manager.

They are Charles A. Desoer, Kenneth R. Eldredge, William E. Evans, Jr., Frank Herman, Stanley F. Kaisel, Gerald L. Pearson, Donald O. Pederson, Arthur L. Schawlow, and Robert L. Tanner. They will be honored at a section meeting early in 1964.

Charles A. Desoer, cited for contributions to control theory, circuit theory, and engineering education, is professor of electrical engineering at the University of California, Berkeley. A graduate of the University of Liege, Belgium, he also graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1953 with the Sc.D. degree. He was a member of the technical staff of Bell Telephone Laboratory from 1953 to 1955 and supervisor in system development at that same organization from 1955 to 1958, when he joined the Berkeley faculty. He is the author of numerous papers and a book, "Linear System Theory—The State Space Approach" (with L. A. Zadeh).

Kenneth R. Eldredge, cited for contributions to pattern recognition and magnetic character reading systems, is staff scientist-engineering of Stanford Research Institute, Menlo Park. A graduate of Oregon State College, where he obtained the B.S. in electrical engineering and the M.S. in physics, he took his Ph.D. at Cambridge, England, in 1950. Formerly with Standard Oil of California and the London branch of the U.S. Office of Naval Research, he joined SRI in 1953 and shortly set up the control systems laboratory. The work initiated in this laboratory has expanded into the applied physics laboratory dealing with vacuum technology for producing extremely miniaturized electronic assemblies and to the basic work concerned with self-organizing types of computers. He is the author of numerous papers and holds many U.S. and foreign patents.

William E. Evans, Jr., cited for contributions to applications of video techniques and video systems, is manager of the data systems department of Granger Associates, Palo Alto. He received the B.S. in electrical engineering from the University of Louisville and the M.S. in the same field from Stanford University. Formerly with Bell Telephone Labs, Stanford University, McClatchy Broadcasting Co., Stanford Research Institute, and

A. B. Dick Co., he was awarded the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Technical "Oscar" in 1960 and the V. K. Zworykin Television Award of the IRE in 1963. He was elevated to Fellow in the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers in 1963. The author of several technical papers, he holds four U.S. patents.

Frank Herman, cited for contributions in the field of the energy band structure of solids, is senior consulting scientist for Lockheed Missiles and Space Co. research laboratories in Palo Alto. He attended Columbia College and the Columbia School of Engineering, and was awarded the B.S. and M.S. degrees in electrical engineering from the latter, receiving the Ph.D. in physics from Columbia University. Following experience with the U.S. Navy, Cooper Union, and RCA Laboratories, he joined Lockheed in 1962 and is scientific advisor to the director of research and coordinator of solid-state research activities in the electronic sciences laboratory. He is lecturer in applied physics at Stanford and the author of more than 25 scientific papers and review articles, his most recent publication being a book, "Atomic Structure Calculations," which he wrote in collaboration with Sherwood Skillman of RCA.

Stanley F. Kaisel, cited for contributions to the development of traveling-wave tubes, is president and technical director of Microwave Electronics Corporation, Palo Alto, and holds a B.S. in electrical engineering from Washington University and an M.A. and Ph.D. in the same field from Stanford. Following experience with Harvard University, Stanford, RCA Laboratories, Stanford Electronics Research Laboratory, and Litton Industries, he was a co-founder of Microwave Electronics Corp. He was chairman of the San Francisco Section of IRE in 1961-62. He is the author of a number of technical papers and holds several patents.

Gerald L. Pearson, cited for contributions to semiconductor physics and to the development of the silicon solar cell, is professor of electrical engineering at Stanford University, having retired in 1960 from Bell Telephone Laboratories after 31 years of service. He received the A.B. from Willamette University, the M.A. from Stanford, and an honorary Sc.D. from Willamette. At Bell he was concerned with noise in resistor, vacuum tubes, and carbon microphones, and later concentrated on the physics of semicon-

ducting materials and was awarded 32 U.S. patents. From 1957 to 1960 he was in charge of a group specializing in applied physics of solids. At Stanford he is associated with the solid-state electronics laboratory, where he directs graduate students in investigations on the diffusion of impurities in compound semiconductors and other solid-state electronics research projects.

Donald O. Pederson, cited for contributions to circuit theory and engineering education, is professor of electrical engineering and director of the electronics research laboratory at the University of California. Awarded the B.S. from North Dakota Agricultural College and the M.S. and Ph.D. from Stanford, he was a research associate at the electronics research laboratory at Stanford and a member of the technical staff at Bell Telephone Laboratories. With research interests primarily in the field of electronic circuits, he is a member of the administrative committee and the publications committee of the PTG on Circuit Theory. He was awarded a John Simon Guggenheim fellowship in 1963.

Arthur L. Schawlow, cited for contributions to the achievement of coherent light and the concept of the optical maser, is professor of physics at Stanford and received the B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. from the University of Toronto. A postdoctoral fellow and research associate at Columbia University, he became a research physicist at Bell Telephone Laboratories, and was a visiting associate professor at Columbia University. His research has been in the fields of optical and microwave spectroscopy, nuclear quadrupole resonance, superconductivity, and optical masers. With C. H. Townes, he is co-author of a book, "Microwave Spectroscopy," and of the first paper describing optical masers. For this latter work, Schawlow and Townes have been awarded the Stuart Ballentine Medal of the Franklin Institute and the Thomas Young Medal and Prize of the Physical Society and the Institute of Physics.

Robert L. Tanner, cited for contributions leading to the elimination of precipitation static on aircraft, is general manager of TRG-West, Menlo Park, and vice president of TRG, Inc., Melville, Long Island, N.Y. He earned the B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Stanford. He is the author or co-author of nearly 30 technical articles and holds a number of patents. He is a member of the papers

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In its annual meeting, the board also named James Bolton as assistant manager of Wescon under Larson. Bolton has carried out major financial and statistical responsibilities as a member of the Wescon staff for almost two years.

For the first time in its history, Wescon/64 will be a two-part show, with half of its 1,200-plus exhibits displayed in Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena, and the other half on view at Hollywood Park. Absence of a single Southland convention facility that could house the nation's second

largest technical convention prompted the division.

Both locations are air conditioned, equipped with restaurant facilities, and provide ample parking space. Both are convenient to the freeway system.

Moore, show director for 1964, is president of Technical Systems Inc., and Lamm, convention director for 1964, is an engineering executive of Bendix Pacific.

Chartz is vice president and general manager of Dalmo Victor, Belmont, and Herold is vice president of research, Varian Associates, Palo Alto. Gundy, executive vice president of Technical Systems Inc., is located in Palo Alto; McCullough is vice president and general manager of Electron Tube division of Litton Industries, San Carlos.

*meeting ahead*

## LASERS IN COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. B. J. McMurtry, head of the optical device department in the Mountain View components laboratory of Sylvania's microwave device division, will discuss communication applications of lasers at the December 17 meeting of the PTC on Space Electronics and Telemetry chapter.

Dr. McMurtry received the B.A. and B.S. in electrical engineering from Rice University and the M.S. and Ph.D. in the same field from Stanford University. In mid-1961 he and Prof. A. E. Siegman of Stanford conducted the first conclusive optical heterodyne experiments involving microwave difference frequencies. His subsequent photomixing experiments produced time-resolved, high resolution spectroscopic information about the output of ruby optical masers.

A first step toward realizing the

theoretical information-carrying capacity of laser beams is the development of techniques for broadband (and, hence, high-frequency) modulation and demodulation of light. This talk will include a discussion of the present status of such work.

Descriptions will be given of both AM and FM communications experiments involving microwave modulation frequencies. A discussion of some of the microwave-optical components involved, both proven and proposed, will be followed by the presentation of a meaningful basis of comparison among the various photodetectors now in use. The relative advantages of the different detectors under various operating conditions will be pointed out.

Comments will be made on the likely paths to be taken in future light communications work.

*events of interest*

## IEEE PAPERS CALLS

January 1—Mining Industry Technical Conference, Wilson Lodge, Gelbay Park, Wheeling, W.Va., April 1. R. V. Bovenizer, Hanna Coal Co., Cadiz, Ohio.

January 15—Region 6 Annual Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, April 29, 30, May 1. Region 6/ISA. Abstracts (200 words) to Prof. Clayton Clark, EE Dept., Utah State University, Logan, Utah.

### WINTER POWER MEETING

The IEEE Winter Power Meeting will be held February 2-7 at the Statler-Hilton Hotel, New York City. The event takes over the 1964 date of the former AIEE Winter General Meeting and offers a week-long technical program on power apparatus and systems.

It sets the stage for the IEEE International Convention of March, 1964, provides a regular annual forum on power systems subjects, and brings new unity to technical activities of the Power division.

Additional information may be obtained from Edward C. Day, assistant staff secretary, IEEE, Box A, Lenox Hill Station, New York 21, N.Y.

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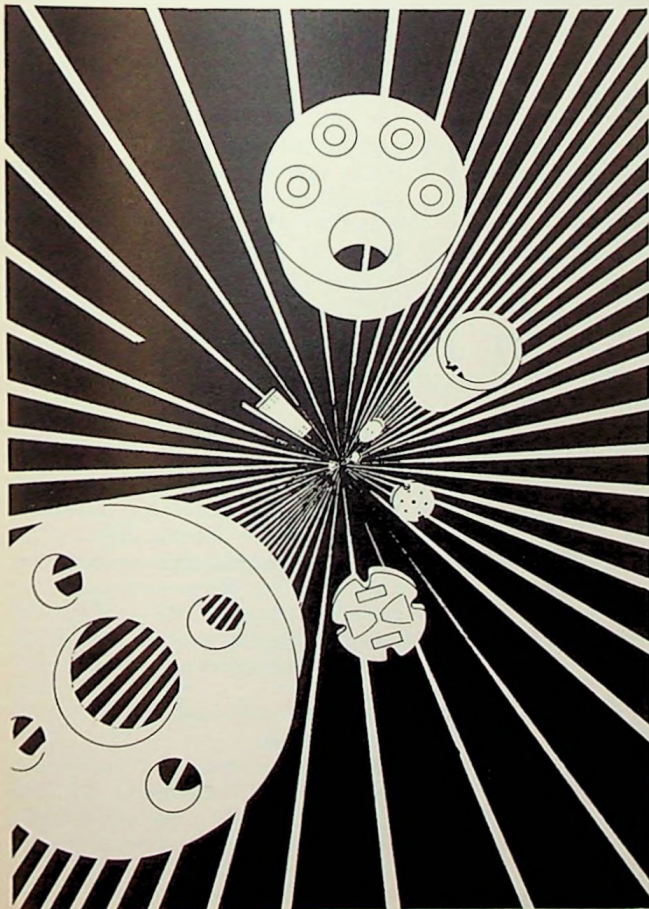
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TRANSMISSION LINES*meeting review***COMPUTERS IN ECG WORK**

The November PTG on Bio-Medical Electronics chapter meeting featured Dr. J. Von der Groeben of Stanford, who discussed automatic recognition of ECG abnormalities. Dr. Von der Groeben is the author of a number of papers on ECG diagnosis with the aid of computers. His talk was a summary of this continuing work.

Dr. Von der Groeben indicated that about 20 million depolarizing cells contribute to each heart contraction. The electrical activity associated with this contraction can be recorded at the body surface with suitable electrodes, leads, and amplifiers. The exact placement of each electrode has become standardized over the years, and for clinical work is universally accepted. The usual methods of presenting ECG were discussed and the limitations of each pointed out. The amplitude vs. time recording and the vector electrocardiogram are the most often used methods, but an orthogonal 3-lead system has certain advantages. Dr. Von der Groeben and associates have chosen a lead system which allows the electrical potentials associated with the heartbeat to be accurately represented as a vector quantity in space. This vector quantity is

represented graphically as a linear time function of its spherical coordinates.

Dr. Von der Groeben said that expressing the 3-lead potential as a single time-varying vector quantity in space has certain theoretical advantages. It allows an exact quantitative description of the information as a single directed magnitude. This aids analysis.

To prepare the data for the computer, the 3 vector leads X, Y, and Z were recorded on film at 6 inch/sec.—using the Helm lead system. The amplitudes were converted to digital data on punch cards. Readings of the analog signal were taken every 5 msec. throughout ventricular activation, i.e., the QRS complex. The QRS complex lasts about 80 msec. The rectangular coordinates were then converted to polar coordinates called alpha, tilt, and spatial magnitude. These coordinates are best described by imagining you are facing a man who has a vector which originates at his heart—which is at the center of his chest. Assume the vector points toward his left arm and downward and slightly forward—toward you. The downward angle is alpha, the forward angle is tilt, and the length of the vector is spatial magnitude.

Three graphs can now be constructed—each having an abscissa of time in milliseconds. The coordinates are alpha in degrees, tilt in degrees, and spatial magnitude in millivolts.

Dr. Von der Groeben and associates calculated the spatial frequency distribution of the heart vector for a group of 154 normal adults. These normals were subdivided into six divisions according to age and sex. Graphs were constructed for each subgroup with a shaded area indicating normal scatter of  $\pm 2$  standard deviations.

The plot of alpha, tilt, and spatial magnitude of the abnormal can be plotted on these graphs, and deviations from the shaded areas are clearly seen.

Dr. Von der Groeben indicated that additional equipment is being purchased so that the process can be completely automatic. He said that time function display enables easy discernment of characteristic abnormalities.

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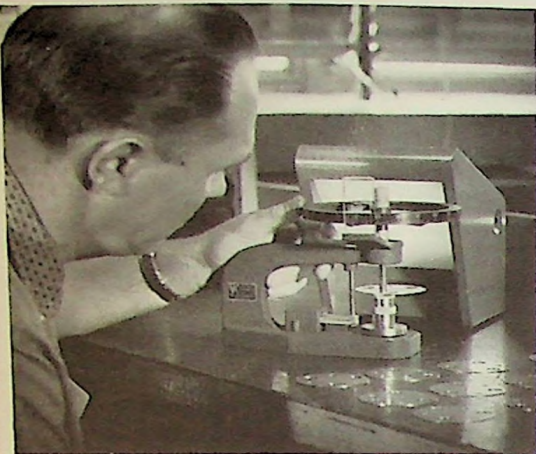
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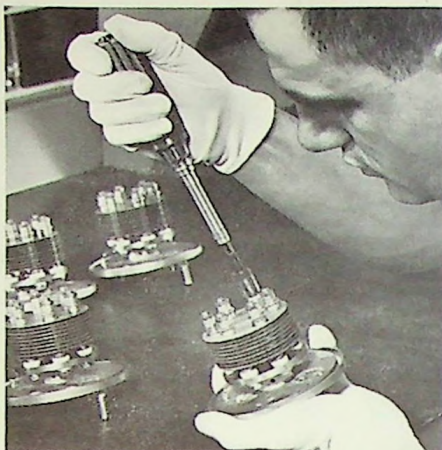
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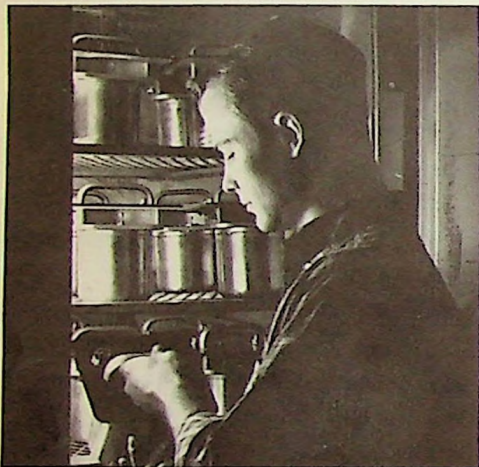
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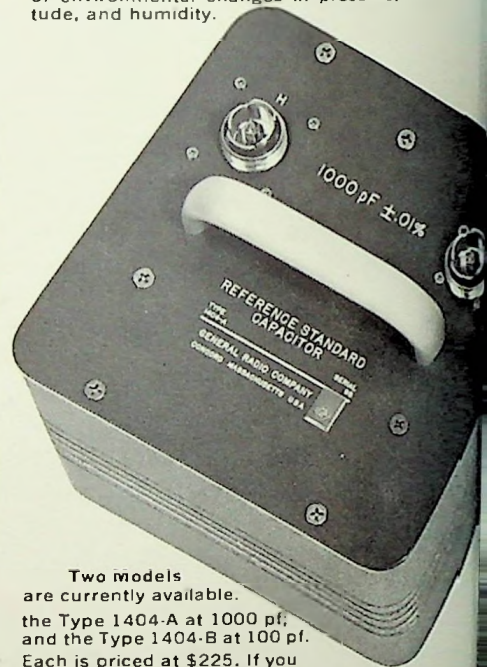
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