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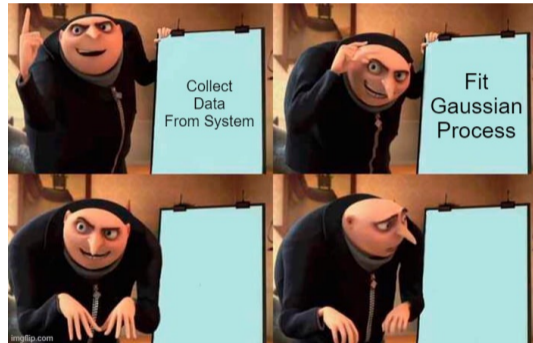
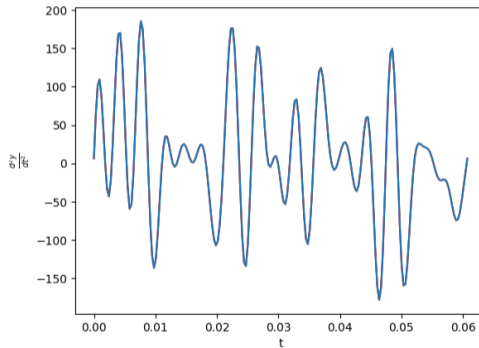
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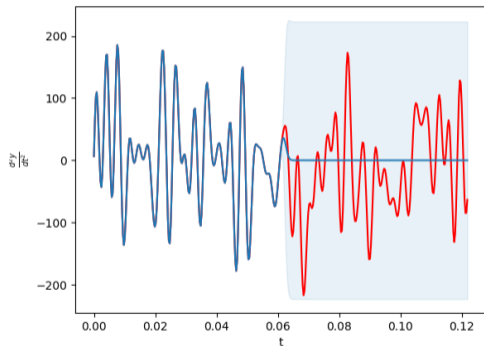
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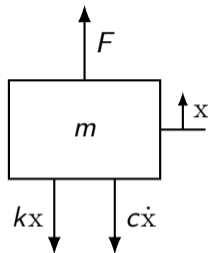
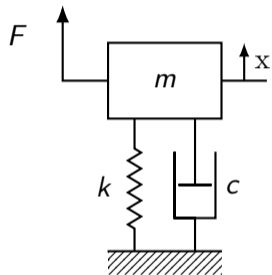
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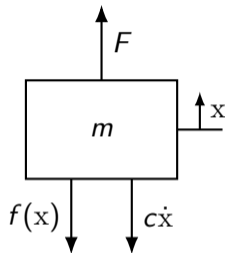
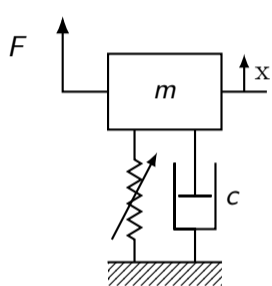
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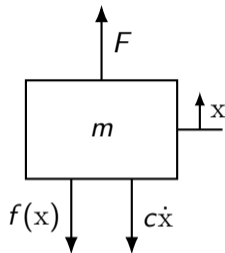
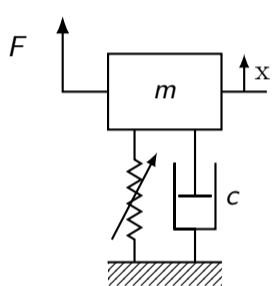
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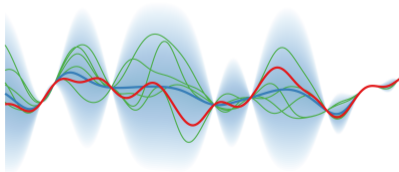


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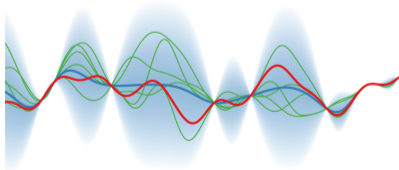


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Hartikainen, Jouni, and Simo Särkkä. "Kalman filtering and smoothing solutions to temporal Gaussian process regression models." *2010 IEEE International Workshop on Machine Learning for Signal Processing*. IEEE.



THREE USES AND EXTENSIONS

Three applications:

1. Recovering Unknown Forces
2. Extracting nonlinear components of SDOF ODEs
3. Some promising extensions for more interesting scenarios



Problem 1: Unknown Loads



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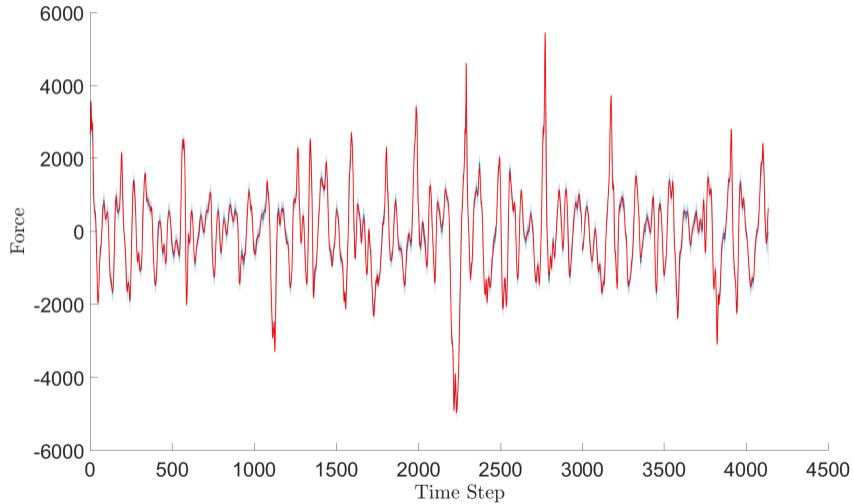

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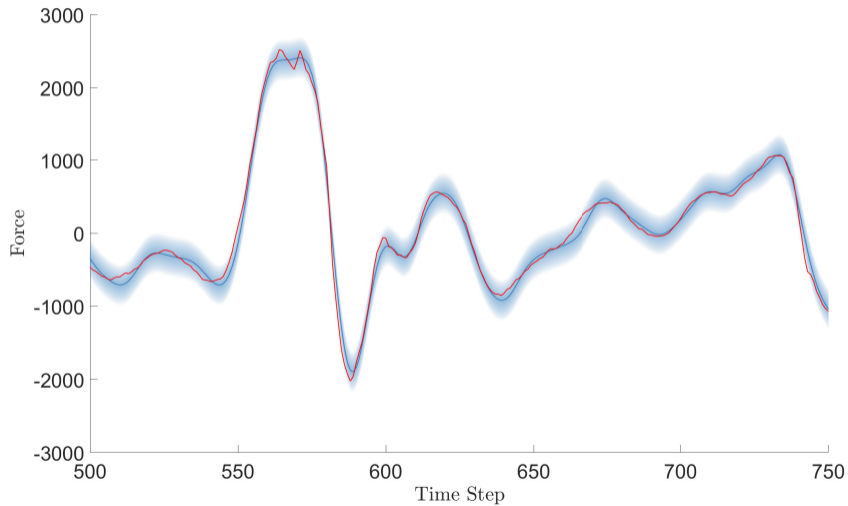


MDOF EXAMPLE

NMSE=1.05%



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Problem 2: Learning Nonlinear SDOF ODEs



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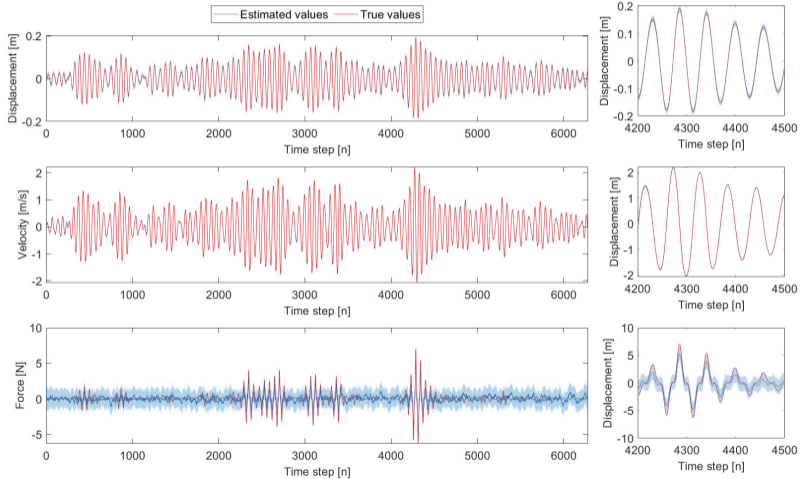
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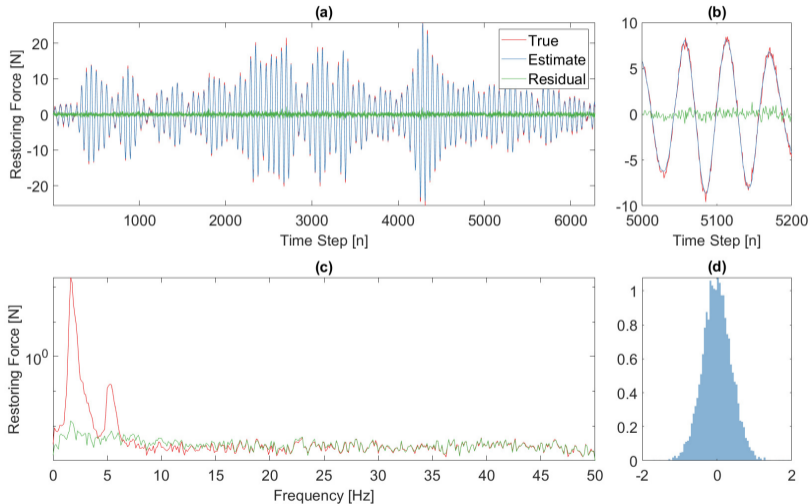
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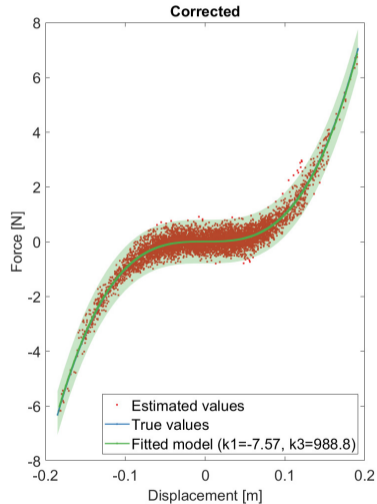
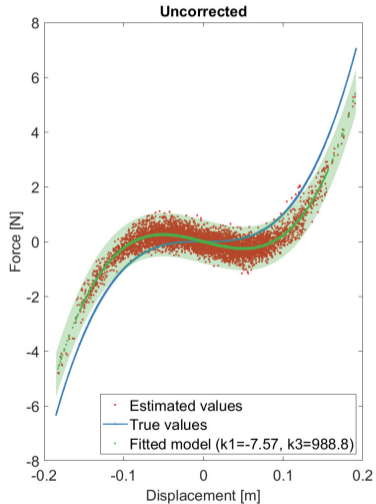
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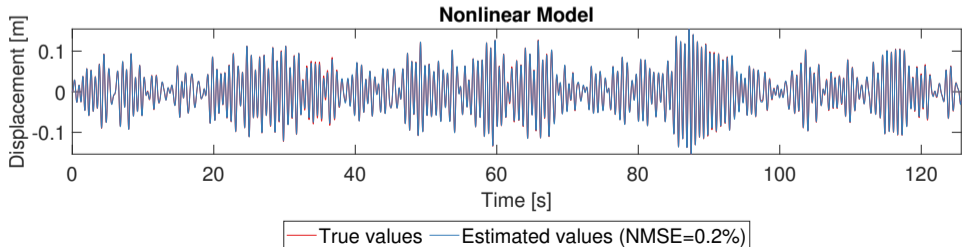
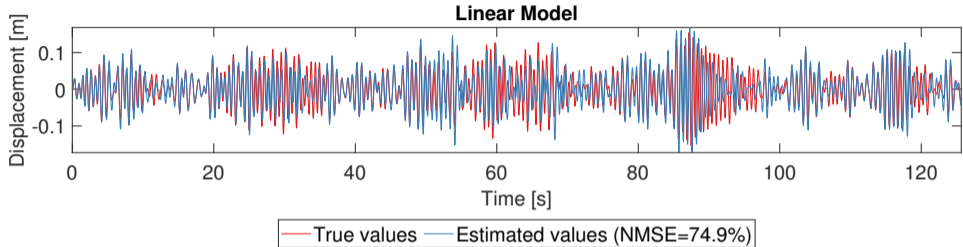
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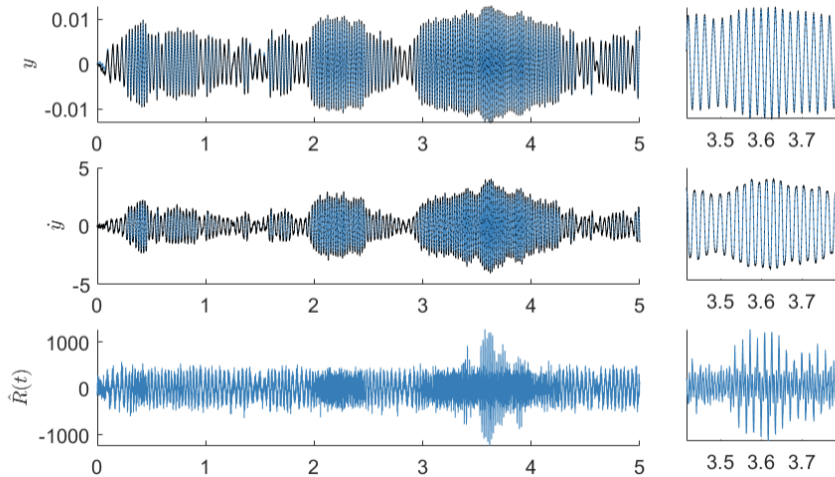
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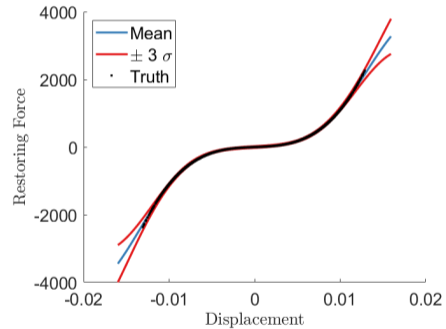
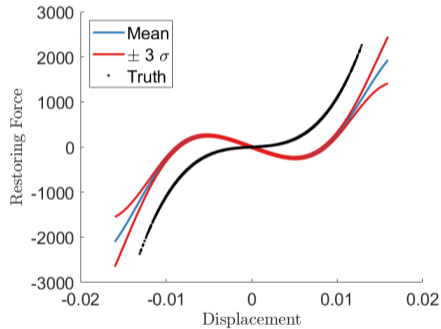
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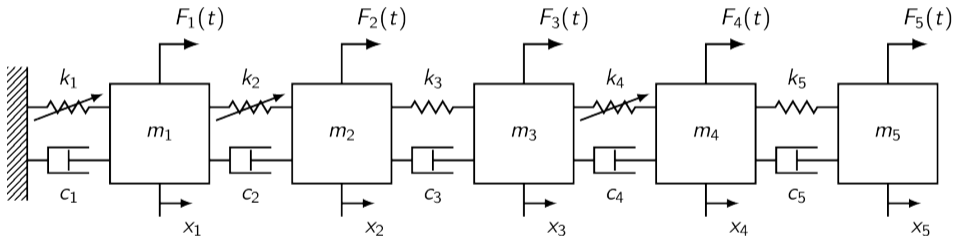
STATE ESTIMATION FOR OUTPUT-ONLY NONLINEAR SYSTEM



ACCESSING THE NONLINEARITY



EXTENSIONS TO MORE DEGREES OF FREEDOM



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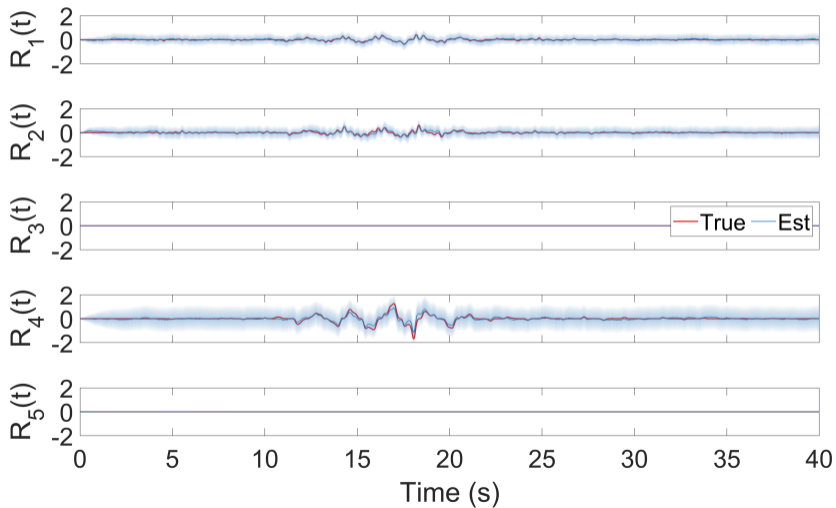
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Use Newton's third law to impose structure in B_{sys} .

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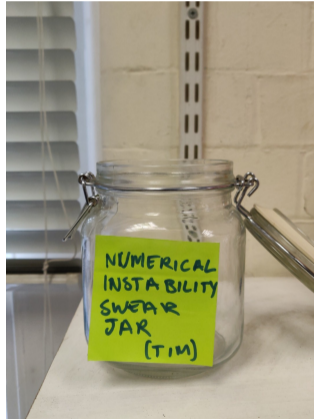


DETECTION AND LOCALISATION



WHAT SHOULD BE A CONCLUSION

A word of warning. . .



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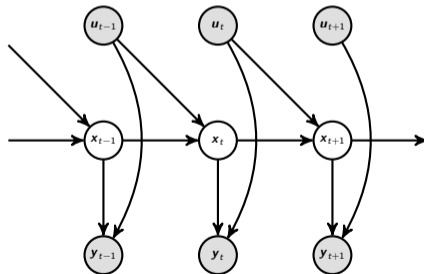
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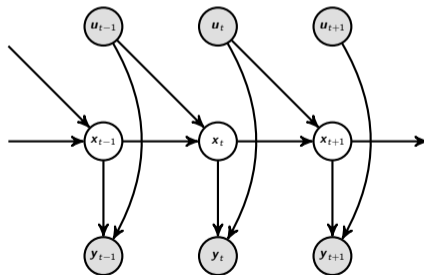
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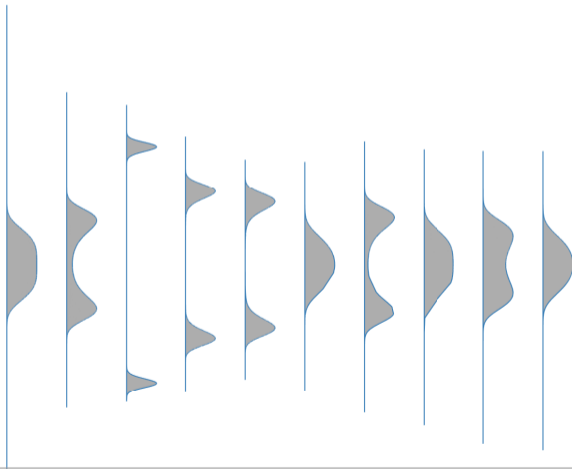


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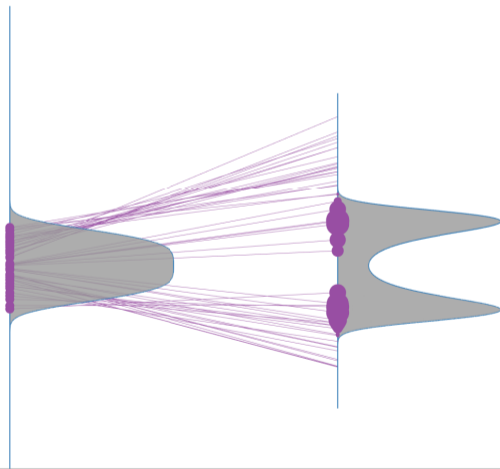
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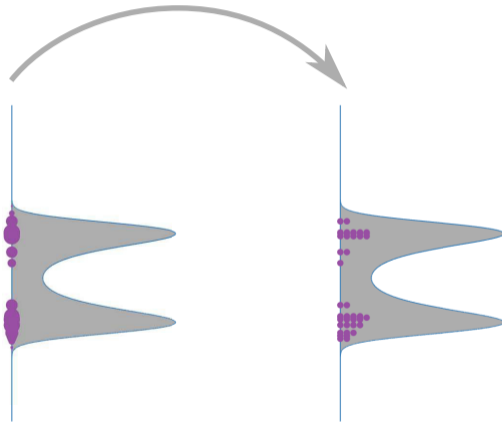
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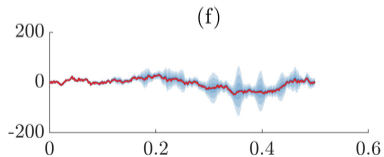
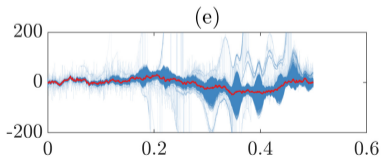
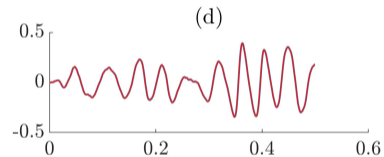
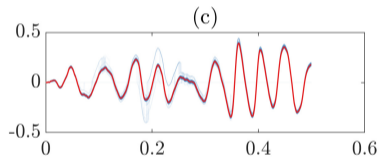
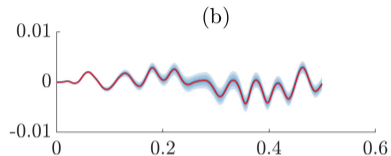
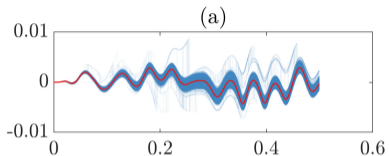
In particular we use a Particle Gibbs with Ancestor Sampling approach (Lindsten 2014) to sample from $p(x_{1:T} | y_{1:T})$.

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