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Designed to provide plumbing professionals with the knowledge and tools to make successful bids, this book is the perfect pocket guide for on-the-job success. The DEWALT® Plumbing Estimating Professional Reference addresses every step of the bidding process, from preparing proposals and making accurate estimates of supplies and man-hours, to reviewing contracts and finalizing the deal. With quantity take-off checklists, estimating forms, and other on-site worksheets, this book is a valuable reference tool, both for use in preparing a bid from the office, or in making on-the-job decisions and calculations.Check out our app, DEWALT® Mobile Pro(tm). This free app is a construction calculator with integrated reference materials and access to hundreds of additional calculations as add-ons. To learn more, visit dewalt.com/mobilepro. To use public funds effectively, the gov¿t. must meet the demands of today's changing world by employing effective mgmt. practices and processes, including the measurement of gov¿t. program performance. Legislators, gov¿t. officials, and the public want to know whether gov¿t. programs are achieving their goals and what their costs are. To make those evaluations, reliable cost information is required and fed. standards have been issued for the cost accounting that is needed to prepare that information. This Cost Guide has been developed in order to establish a consistent methodology that is based on best practices and that can be used across the fed. gov¿t. for developing, managing, and evaluating capital program cost estimates. Illustrations. The most comprehensive book on the market that covers the fundamental cost estimating principles and processes used in commercial construction today. Using a single case study, the book shows readers how to prepare their estimates and to develop the necessary skills needed to be successful in the construction industry. It covers theory, types of estimates, estimating procedures and contractual aspects as well as providing practical tips on how to estimate. Specifically details the process for developing three separate types of estimates: a budget estimate during design development, a guaranteed-maximum-price estimate for a cost-plus contract, and a bid for a lump-sum contract. The book also discusses analysis of subcontractor quotations as well as estimating job site general conditions and company overhead costs; it even includes discussion of negotiated contracts. A comprehensive reference for construction professionals such as cost estimators and project managers. An easy-to-use tool for estimating heating, ventilating, and air conditioning systems, with up-to-date cost data and estimating examples. This all-in-one reference gives you the accepted standards and procedures for takeoff and pricing HVAC systems, as well as piping, plumbing, and fire

protection. Includes all of the major mechanical systems in new building construction. The book will show you how to: Evaluate mechanical plans and specs so you can estimate all cost components Measure, quantify, and perform takeoffs for materials, labor, and equipment Identify and correctly apply direct and indirect costs, including overhead and profit Use forms to improve accuracy and efficiency – with electronic forms now available on the book's own website Compare materials and methods and select the most cost-effective way to get the job done Train new estimators with clear instructions for estimating the mechanical trades Make the best use of RSMeans Mechanical Cost Data and RSMeans Plumbing Cost Data Organized for easy reference, the book gives you quick access to whatever aspect of mechanical estimating you need. It includes a glossary of mechanical terms and definitions – plus symbols used on mechanical plans, useful formulas, checklists, and conversion tables. A budget is a financial action plan for an organization. The Pocket Mentor Seriesoffers immediate solutions to the challenges managers face on the job every day. Each book in the series is packer with handy tools, self tests, and real life examples to help you identify strengths and weaknesses and hone critical skills. Whether you're at your desk, in a meeting, or on the road, these portable guides enable you to tackle the daily demands of your work with greater speed, savvy, and effectiveness. A less-expensive grayscale paperback version is available. Search for ISBN 9781680922936. Principles of Accounting is designed to meet the scope and sequence requirements of a two-semester accounting course that covers the fundamentals of financial and managerial accounting. This book is specifically designed to appeal to both accounting and non-accounting majors, exposing students to the core concepts of accounting in familiar ways to build a strong foundation that can be applied across business fields. Each chapter opens with a relatable real-life scenario for today's college student. Thoughtfully designed examples are presented throughout each chapter, allowing students to build on emerging accounting knowledge. Concepts are further reinforced through applicable connections to more detailed business processes. Students are immersed in the "why" as well as the "how" aspects of accounting in order to reinforce concepts and promote comprehension over rote memorization. The purpose of this manual is to enable students to gain fundamental knowledge of estimating the cost of building construction projects. The procedures used for estimating vary form company to company. On the other hand, the construction industry has become, over the years, more competitive which has made construction companies to do their best in order to offer the best possible service at the least price. To overcome this constraint, it is necessary to know precisely the cost of services. And it would be the role of an Estimator. Unfortunately, there are no specific rules, as it accounts, for obtaining a good estimate, even among individuals within a company. Because of contracting method currently employed (like fast track or PPP) construction companies need precision in their estimates; in addition, as estimators are increasingly consulted at conceptual design stage, we will talk about conceptual estimate in chapter one and then focus on detailed estimations and its process in upcoming chapters.We all know that a good estimator needs to have a good knowledge about construction techniques and factors that influence the realization of a project. We also know that an individual who possesses a high level of experience in his/her field but also could be a poor estimator in the absence of reliable method. So, in this manual we will focus more on estimations' method rather than techniques of construction.A detailed estimate (Bid Estimate) can be analyzed in terms of the SIX principal stages of the process:1.Quantity Takeof2.Recap Quantities3.Pricing the Recap4.Pricing Subcontractor's work5.Pricing General Expenses6.Summary and BidTo decode these six steps into an effective and accurate estimation method, the manual is divided into three modules. Each module is divided into chapters. The first module addresses the preparation of an estimate for construction and describes the entire submission process. The second module deals with the methods of measurement of the constructive systems then, in the third module, establish the prices of the elements, the expenses of the general conditions and finally, close the submission. Industrial Construction Estimating Manual focuses on industrial process plants and enables the contractor, subcontractor, and engineer to use methods, models, procedures, formats, and technical data for developing industrial process plant construction estimates. The manual begins with an introduction devoted to labor, data collection, verification of data, coding, productivity measurement, the unit quantity model, and computer-aided cost estimating. It goes on to provide information on construction materials, database systems, work estimating, computer-aided estimating, detailed labor estimates, bid assurance, and detailed applications to construction. Practical examples based on historical data collected from past installations are also included as well as a detailed glossary, Excel and mathematical formulas, metric/standard conversions, area and volume formulas, and boiler man-hour tables. Industrial Construction Estimating Manual aids contractors, subcontractors, and engineers with a balance-detailed estimating method using the unit quantity model and is an excellent resource for those involved

*in engineering, technology, and construction estimating. Provides a detailed estimating method using the unit-quantity model to prepare construction estimates Delivers information on construction materials, databases, labor estimates, computer-aided estimating, bid assurance, and applications to construction. Utilizes historical data, from a database of previous similar work, calculates material cost and labor by category, and produces both summary and detailed man-hour and cost estimates. Construction Cost Estimating equips a new generation of students and early-career professionals with the skills they need to bid successfully on projects. From developing bid strategies to submitting a completed bid, this innovative textbook introduces the fundamentals of construction estimating through a real-life case study that unfolds across its 24 chapters. Exercises at the end of each chapter offer hands-on practice with core concepts such as quantity take-offs, pricing, and estimating for subcontractor work. Online resources provide instant access to examples of authentic construction documents, including complete, detailed direct work estimates, subcontractor work estimates, general conditions estimates, markups, and summary schedules. Through its unique mix of real-world examples and classroom-tested insights, Construction Cost Estimating ensures that readers are familiar with the entire estimating process even before setting foot on the jobsite. In today's hypercompetitive global marketplace, accurate costestimating is crucial to bottom-line results. Nowhere is this moreevident than in the design and development of new products andservices. Among managing engineers responsible for developingrealistic cost estimates for new product designs, the number-onesource of information and guidance has been the Cost Estimator'sReference Manual. Comprehensive, authoritative, and practical, the Manual instructsreaders in the full range of cost estimating techniques andprocedures currently used in the fields of development, testing,manufacturing, production, construction, software, generalservices, government contracting, engineering services, scientificprojects, and proposal preparation. The authors clearly explain howto go about gathering the data essential to preparing a realisticestimate of costs and guide the reader step by step through eachprocedure. This new Second Edition incorporates a decade of progress in themethods, procedures, and strategies of cost estimating. All thematerial has been updated and five new chapters have been added toreflect the most recent information on such increasingly importanttopics as activity-based costing, software estimating,design-to-cost techniques, and cost implications of new concurrentengineering and systems engineering approaches to projects. Indispensable to virtually anyone whose work requires accurate costestimates, the Cost Estimator's Reference Manual will be especiallyvaluable to engineers, estimators, accountants, and contractors ofproducts, projects, processes, and services to both government andindustry. The essential ready-reference for the techniques, methods, andprocedures of cost estimating COST ESTIMATOR'S REFERENCE MANUAL Second Edition Indispensable for anyone who depends on accurate cost estimates forengineering projects, the Cost Estimator's Reference Manual guidesthe user through both the basic and more sophisticated aspects ofthe estimating process. Authoritative and comprehensive, the Manualseamlessly integrates the many functions--accounting, financial,statistical, and management--of modern cost estimating practice.Its broad coverage includes estimating procedures applied to suchareas as: * Production * Software * Development * General services * Testing * Government contracting * Manufacturing * Engineering * Proposal preparation * Scientific projects * Construction This updated and expanded Second Edition incorporates all the mostimportant recent developments in cost estimating, such asactivity-based costing, software estimating, design-to-costtechniques, computer-aided estimating tools, concurrentengineering, and life cycle costing. For engineers, estimators, accountants, planners, and others whoare involved in the cost aspects of projects, the Cost Estimator'sReference Manual is an invaluable information source that will payfor itself many times over. ••A must-read for software testers from a noted software testing guru•Examples, specifics, and a running case study bring the content to life•Separates software test processes into three categories: routing, highly-visible, and mission-critical Many software projects fail because their leaders don't know how to estimate, schedule, or measure them accurately. Fortunately, proven tools and techniques exist for every facet of software estimation. Estimating Software-Intensive Systems brings them together in a real-world guidebook that will help software managers, engineers, and customers immediately improve their estimates–and drive continuing improvements over time. Dick Stutzke presents here a disciplined and repeatable process that can produce accurate and complete estimates for any project, product, or process, no matter how new or unusual. Stutzke doesn't just describe formal techniques: He offers simple, easy-to-use templates, spreadsheets, and tools you can start using today to identify and estimate product size, performance, and quality–as well as project cost, schedule, and risk reserves. Stutzke shows how to quickly "get your arms around" users' problems and requirements, the structure of a solution, and the process needed to deliver it. You'll learn how to choose the most appropriate estimating techniques*

and tools; collect accurate data, track progress, and update estimates; and recalibrate estimating models to improve estimation accuracy. Stutzke's techniques apply whether you're creating custom in-house business software, purchasing or customizing "off-the-shelf" technology, or constructing complex, one-of-a-kind military, industrial, or commercial systems. These techniques apply to small and large projects, and to all project life cycles–from agile to plan-driven. This book will help you plan, estimate, budget, schedule, purchase, design, build, test, deploy, operate, and maintain software-intensive systems. It explains how to size software, identify all cost components, calculate the associated costs, and set a competitive price. A separate section covers topics of interest for large projects: designing an appropriate work breakdown structure, collecting data from cost accounting systems, and using earned value measurement. You'll find updates and even more information on this book's companion web site, http://www.sw-estimation.com. During the life of a project, from the early stages of process development through to construction, capital and operating cost estimates are prepared in order to establish and ensure as far as possible, commercial viability. The level of accuracy and cost of preparing these estimates increases with each subsequent stage. Although definitions in industry vary, the four levels of capital cost estimate which are prepared at the various stages of project development may be summarised as: (1) Order of magnitude (2) Preliminary (3) Semi-definitive, and (4) Definitive. The methods used for preparing each level of estimate, together with possible sources of information, are described. For the preliminary level of estimate only, the description includes useful data, references and techniques, together with a worked example, which will provide immediate assistance to those involved with the preparation of such estimates. The method described is the factor technique in which budgetary costs for plant and machinery (equipment) items are obtained from suppliers or data bases. Factors are then applied to the equipment cost, in order to arrive at the installed cost. Finally allowances are made for the cost of design, contingency etc. Checklists are provided to assist in ensuring that all elements have been considered or specifically excluded. It is frequently necessary, at the preliminary stage, to examine the relative economics at different plant capacities and this matter is given attention, based on the use of scale exponents for capital cost adjustment and the techniques involved in adjusting operating costs. The operating cost estimate accuracy, at any particular stage, tends to be somewhat better than that of capital cost due to its method of derivation. This is because it is more dependent on the accuracy of the process data as unit rates for reagents, utilities and labour etc. are generally more readily available and there are fewer components involved. The components of the operating costs estimate are described together with practical methods of arriving at the costs for each component. 'TRB's National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Report 574: Guidance for Cost Estimation and Management for Highway Projects During Planning, Programming, and Preconstruction explores approaches to cost estimation and management designed to overcome the root causes of cost escalation and to support the development of consistent and accurate project estimates through all phases of the development process, from long-range planning, through priority programming, and through project design. NCHRP Web-Only Document 98 details the steps followed by the research team in the development of NCHRP Report 574"--Publisher's description. Development of a planning level cost estimate is a different process than development of estimates based on detailed plans and specifications. Because it is part of an iterative process, planning level estimating requires an approach that yields estimates quickly and reproducibly while accounting for the effects of the most important design parameters. There are tradeoffs between accuracy and level of effort involved in preparing these estimates. As the input data becomes less precise, less effort should be expended in performing the estimate. Some guidelines are presented in this paper for developing cost functions. While the functions can be based on historic or synthetic cost data, it is easier to work with synthetic data. However, the functions must be checked with historic data before they are used. Estimating should not be considered as a process separate from planning. Planning level cost estimating is evolving from a mysterious art into a rigorous science. As such, planning level cost estimates are becoming more accurate and reproducible and easier to prepare, and thus, of greater value in decision making. (Author). Companies live or die on the basis of estimating their costs. Preparing estimates and bidding for new jobs is a complex and often costly process. There is no substitute for on the job training -- until now. Drawing on the authors' combined experience of more than 70 years, Estimating Building Costs presents state-of-the-art principles, practices, and techniques for assessing these expenditures that can be applied regardless of changes in the costs of materials, equipment, and labor. The book is an efficient and practical tool for developing contracts or controlling project costs. The authors cover the major components of the direct cost: estimating procedures and cost trends related to materials, construction equipment, and skilled and unskilled labor. They describe various types of building estimates encountered

during the lifecycle of a project, as well as the role and accuracy of each. The book provides an overview of the industry, cost indexes in use, approaches to preparing a detailed estimate, and an in-depth description of the organization and function of the estimating group. Including CSI Master Format and UniFormat codes, estimating forms, a list of available estimating software packages, a detailed construction site and investigation report, the book provides a cost estimating methodology that readers can tailor to their own organizational needs. System Identification Toolbox provides MATLAB functions, Simulink blocks, and an app for constructing mathematical models of dynamic systems from measured input-output data. It lets you create and use models of dynamic systems not easily modeled from first principles or specifications. You can use time-domain and frequency-domain input-output data to identify continuous-time and discrete-time transfer functions, process models, and state-space models. The toolbox also provides algorithms for embedded online parameter estimation.The most important content that this book provides are the following:Choosing Your System Identification ApproachWhat Are Model Objects?Model Objects Represent Linear SystemsAbout Model DataTypes of Model ObjectsDynamic System ModelsNumeric ModelsNumeric Linear Time Invariant (LTI) ModelsIdentified LTI ModelsIdentified Nonlinear ModelsAbout Identified Linear ModelsWhat are IDLTI Models?Measured and Noise Component ParameterizationsLinear Model EstimationLinear Model StructuresAbout System Identification Toolbox Model ObjectsWhen to Construct a Model Structure Independently of EstimationCommands for Constructing Linear Model StructuresModel PropertiesAvailable Linear ModelsEstimation ReportCompare Estimated Models Using Estimation ReportAnalyze and Refine Estimation Results Using Estimation ReportImposing Constraints on Model Parameter ValuesRecommended Model Estimation SequenceSupported Models for Time- and Frequency-Domain DataSupported Models for Time-Domain DataSupported Models for Frequency-Domain DataSupported Continuous- and Discrete-Time ModelsModel Estimation CommandsModeling Multiple-Output SystemsAbout Modeling Multiple-Output SystemsModeling Multiple Outputs DirectlyModeling Multiple Outputs as a Combination of Single-Output ModelsImproving Multiple-Output Estimation Results by WeighingOutputs During EstimationRegularized Estimates of Model ParametersWhat Is Regularization?When to Use RegularizationChoosing Regularization ConstantsEstimate Regularized ARX Model Using System Identification AppLoss Function and Model Quality MetricsWhat is a Loss Function?Options to Configure the Loss FunctionModel Quality MetricsRegularized Identification of Dynamic SystemsData Import and ProcessingSupported DataWays to Obtain Identification DataWays to Prepare Data for System IdentificationRequirements on Data SamplingRepresenting Data in MATLAB WorkspaceTime-Domain Data RepresentationTime-Series Data RepresentationFrequency-Domain Data RepresentationImport Time-Domain Data into the AppImport Frequency-Domain Data into the AppTransform DataIdentifying Process ModelsWhat Is a Process Model?Data Supported by Process ModelsEstimate Process Models Using the App and Command LineBuilding and Estimating Process Models Using System Identification ToolboxProcess Model Structure SpecificationEstimating Multiple-Input, Multi-Output Process Models" Disturbance Model Structure for Process ModelsSpecifying Initial Conditions for Iterative Estimation Algorithms Seminar paper from the year 2007 in the subject Business economics - Controlling, grade: 1,3, University of Applied Sciences Wildau (WIT Wildau), course: Managerial Accounting, 18 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: Activity-based costing first gained publicity in the early 1980s. It was developed as a logical alternative to traditional cost management systems that tended to produce insufficient results when it came to allocating costs. Harvard Business School Professor Robert S. Kaplan was an early advocate of the ABC system. Due to a changing business world and strong competition, the cost structure in many companies changed, while facing an increased price pressure. When profit margins are decreasing, companies are focusing not only on external but also internal opportunities to improve their cost structures and to make hidden costs transparent. This lead to the introduction of Activity-based costing (ABC) as a new approach of process thinking to make the internal organization more flexible to react to changes in the production process and allocation of costs as well as to deal with overcapacities. This paper will focus on the ABC tool, which is aiming at transparency, efficiency increase and improvement of the given cost calculation systems. The ABC method enables management to optimize the enterprise with detailed information for a thorough decision making process. ABC is a method for developing cost estimates, based on the activities used within the production process per cost object. To develop a cost estimate the most important activities within the production cycle - the cost drivers - need to be identified. The activity must be definable and measured in units, e.g. number of man hours. After all activities for producing the product are known, a cost estimate is prepared for each activity. These individual cost estimates contain all labour, materials and equipment costs, including overhead, for each activity. Each complete individual e In

the Highway construction project development process, State Highway Agencies (SHA) prepare cost estimates for effective communication to stakeholders and for project cost control. Cost estimates prepared in the planning phase of project development typically in a time range of 10 to 20 years from project letting are characterized by a great deal of uncertainty due to low scope definition. SHAs typically include an amount as contingency in the project cost estimate to cover costs due to unidentified or unquantified risks during project development. However, most of the methods used by SHAs to apply contingency to projects lack consistency in definition and application. This leads to poor communication to stakeholders, project cost escalation and other project control issues due to inaccuracy of baseline cost estimates. This study developed a set of sliding scale contingencies for estimating contingency on highway projects taking into consideration the effect of major factors, such as project complexity that impacts contingency application. Expert opinion was sought through the use of the Delphi technique. Experimental techniques were not suitable for this study due to the exploratory nature of the problem and the lack of data to analyze using empirical methods. The Delphi method typically consists of a series of rounds called questionnaires. Twenty-three professionals with experience in risk assessment and cost estimating agreed to participate in the study. Email was the means of communication using an excel spreadsheet. The assessment was completed in three iterative rounds with controlled feedback to the participants on the panel at the end of each round. Sliding scale contingencies were developed for three levels of project complexity: noncomplex (minor), moderately complex, and most complex (major) projects. The sliding scale contingencies are presented as a final output of this study. This method of estimating contingency provides consistent rationale for estimating contingency. Risks are an inextricable part of the contingency estimating process. Estimators are encouraged to identify and document risks as justification for contingency values applied to a project. For courses in Construction Management/Estimating in departments of Construction Engineering and Construction Technology. This text thoughtfully discusses the overall process of estimating construction costs, with particular emphasis on the preparation of a stipulated sum bid by a general contractor. It covers all the normal bid-preparation activities selection and strategy, drawings and specifications, bid-submission and a review, and recommends and outlines practices and methods to handle these functions. Comprehensive and unique in its perspective, this reliable, easy-to-read book coversallareas of the Construction Management industry—with a balanced focus on both theory and practicality. It helps users gain a working knowledge of the whole Building Industry, as well as the technical skills required to manage a construction project from conception through occupancy. It emphasizes current industry practices, making it a useful reference for the construction professional.All topic areas are clearly marked for easy reference; these include: construction project management, contracts and delivery methods, detailed estimating, scheduling, network construction, project control, and project updating.For construction professionals, including engineers, technicians, schedulers, and planners. The essential, authoritative guide to providing accurate, systematic, and reliable estimating for construction projects—newly revised Pricing and bidding for construction work is at the heart of every construction business, and in the minds of construction consultants' poor bids lead to poor performance and nobody wins. New Code of Estimating Practice examines the processes of estimating and pricing, providing best practice guidelines for those involved in procuring and pricing construction works, both in the public and private sectors. It embodies principles that are applicable to any project regardless of size or complexity. This authoritative guide has been completely rewritten to include much more contextual and educational material as well as the code of practice. It covers changes in estimating practice; the bidding process; the fundamentals in formulating a bid; the pre-qualification process; procurement options; contractual arrangements and legal issues; preliminaries; temporary works; cost estimating techniques; risk management; logistics; resource and production planning; computer-aided estimating; information and time planning; resource planning and pricing; preparation of an estimator's report; bid assembly and adjudication; pre-production planning and processes; and site production. Established standard for the construction industry, providing the only code of practice on construction estimating Prepared under the auspices of the Chartered Institute of Building and endorsed by a range of other professional bodies Completely rewritten since the 7th edition, to include much more contextual and educational material, as well as the core code of practice New Code of Estimating Practice is an important book for construction contractors, specialist contractors, quantity surveyors/cost consultants, and for students of construction and quantity surveying. Estimating for Residential Construction offers a concise introduction to residential estimating processes and to the steps involved in accurately preparing a cost estimate. Author David Pratt uses clear, straightforward language to describe the basic arithmetic of residential construction work, along with logical explanations of how to prepare takeoffs. Readers will

learn how to price excavation and site work, concrete, carpentry, masonry, plumbing, heating, and electrical work, as well as the general expenses and sub-trade work. Specifics on how to prepare a bill of materials from a takeoff, how to summarize and prepare a bid for a custom home, assessing markup on an estimate, and how to review a bid before it is submitted to the client is also covered as well as information on preparing estimates for remodeling jobs. Reviews literature on cost-estimation errors in weapons acquisition by the Department of Defense and in large public works and construction projects, and analyzes cost-estimation practices in the chemical and process industries. The report inquires into the causes of large estimation errors found in energy process plants, e.g., coal gasification and liquefaction, oil shale, and tar sands. Principal factors in estimation errors common to all types of systems examined include the degree of system definition when the estimates were made, scope and system changes, and the level of technological innovation embodied in the system. The results of this review have formed part of the basis for an empirical investigation of cost-estimation errors and performance problems in new process plants for the Department of Energy. To achieve consistent software project success under the pressures of today's software development environment, software organizations require achievable plans including viable estimates of schedule, resources, and risks. To estimate realistically, you must understand how to apply sound estimation processes, tools, and data. Software Sizing Now in its third edition, this estimating guide offers comprehensive coverage of all aspects of plumbing: Residential, commercial, industrial, and medical systems The most common plumbing materials and methods, subsystems and components Pricing quantities for an estimate and calculating markup Preparing bids Best techniques for using Means Plumbing Cost Data Sample takeoff and estimate forms Includes special sections on change order analysis, estimating for additions, and alterations to existing systems. Also covers budget and assemblies estimating. A complete sample estimate shows you how to perform each step in the estimating process, making it easy to follow the authors' methods. In preparing the sixth edition of Estimating Construction Costs the author has retained the fundamental concepts of estimating that have made the book successful for many years. All of the example problems have been revised with more explanations regarding assumptions used in the calculations. This edition has reorganized and consolidated chapters to increase the clarity of the subject matter for the reader. Extensive new sections have been added on equipment, including graders equipped with GPS, and methods of calculating depreciation, investment, and operating costs of construction equipment. The computer estimating chapter is revised with additional material on the use of computers in preparing estimates for bidding purposes.

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