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I was fascinated by the idea, dived into documentation, and stayed up all that night programming. By morning, ten hours later, I had a working, albeit sketchy, first implementation. This first version had no user interface and no preferences but, for the most part, it worked.

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Of course, any problems with this program are due to my own coding and shouldn't be blamed on any of these folks. Except perhaps on Willy Bob whose voluminous shedding of cat hairs clogged up my mouse and may have resulted in an inaccurate perception of cursor movement.