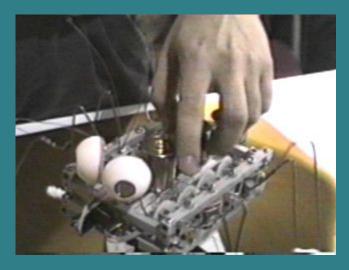
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Another Spider!



Toronto 1994, jpeg from video via Snappy, made by Dave Hrynkiw.

I really had the idea for the Spider mechanism all by myself - no outside inspiration or examples at all. But when I showed the preliminary drawings to the BEAMers, Dave Hrynkiw (Solarbotics) yelled:

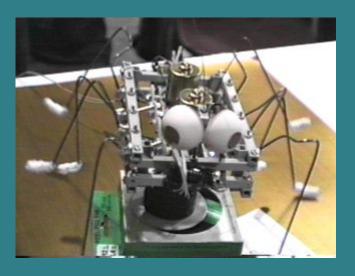
"I saw EXACTLY the same sort of robot at the BEAM Games in Toronto in 94(?)"

He was supported by Richard Weait:

Dave's right (of course :-)) about the spider at BEAM - '94. I think it was Rob from Ottawa (?) It was powered through a tether, and skittered along on golf-ball-like feet. It was pretty quick, but I believe it was run by switches trough the tether. Forward and reverse only, if I recall correctly. I trust Rob (?) has carried the design further since then.

The designer's name is actually Mark Lanthier. He calls his 'bot the Creeper, and it can be found on this page, which also shows a few other, multimotor critters and a rope-climbing device.

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