

COURSE OVERVIEW DE1046
Oil Well Modelling with Prosper

Course Title

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Course Date/Venue

Session 1: February 24-28, 2025/Fujairah Meeting Room, Grand Millennium Al Wahda Hotel, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Session 2: August 31-September 04, 2025/Boardroom 1, Elite Byblos Hotel Al Barsha, Sheikh Zayed Road, Dubai, UAE



Course Reference

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Course Duration/Credits

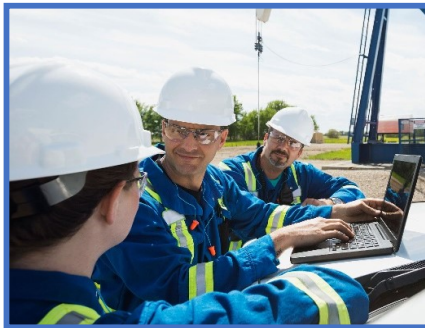
Five days/3.0 CEUs/30 PDHs



Course Description



This practical and highly-interactive course includes various practical sessions and exercises. Theory learnt will be applied using our state-of-the-art simulators.



This course is designed to provide participants with a detailed and up-to-date overview of Prosper modelling. It covers the production system concepts, data measurement quality, units and datums, oilfield units, conversion factors and prefixes in common use; the reservoir fluid properties and composition including PVT correlations and matching and wellbore fluids sampling; the reservoir fluids measurements (PVT analysis), fluid property correlations, inflow performance concepts, productivity index (PI) and Darcy's law; and the productivity index (PI), pressure distribution in the reservoir, radial flow IPR and skin.



Further, the course will also discuss the radial inflow performance equation, two phase inflow performance, skin components and outflow performance concepts; the components of wellbore pressure loss and friction in the wellbore estimates and calculation; the velocity and slip in the wellbore as well as holdup and slip; the effect of flow distribution on slip; the pressure loss in the wellbore flow correlations; and how does PWF change with flowrate.

During this interactive course, participants will learn the recommended variables when generating VLP's for simulators; the pressure loss at surface and the components of surface pressure loss and rate of change of WHP; the choke performance and surface flow correlation comparison; and the nodal analysis plot interpretation.

Course Objectives

Upon the successful completion of this course, each participant will be able to:-

- Apply and gain an in-depth knowledge on Prosper modelling
- Discuss production system concepts, data measurement quality, units and datums, oilfield units, conversion factors and prefixes in common use
- Identify reservoir fluid properties and composition including PVT correlations and matching and wellbore fluids sampling
- Carryout reservoir fluids measurements (PVT analysis) and discuss fluid property correlations, inflow performance concepts, productivity index (PI) and Darcy's law
- Explain how to increase productivity index (PI), pressure distribution in the reservoir, radial flow IPR and skin
- Recognize radial inflow performance equation, two phase inflow performance, skin components and outflow performance concepts
- Identify the components of wellbore pressure loss and friction in the wellbore estimates and calculation
- Discuss velocity and slip in the wellbore as well as holdup and slip and the effect of flow distribution on slip
- Interpret pressure loss in the wellbore, flow correlations and how does PWF change with flowrate
- Explain flow correlation comparisons, recommended variables when generating VLP's for simulators and pressure loss at surface
- Identify the components of surface pressure loss and rate of change of WHP
- Carryout choke performance, surface flow correlation comparisons and nodal analysis plot interpretation

Exclusive Smart Training Kit - H-STK®



Participants of this course will receive the exclusive "Howard Smart Training Kit" (H-STK®). The H-STK® consists of a comprehensive set of technical content which includes **electronic version** of the course materials conveniently saved in a **Tablet PC**.

Who Should Attend

This course provides an overview of all significant aspects and considerations of prosper modelling for production engineers and those who wishes to learn how to apply the principles of well performance prediction in commercial well modelling software.

Course Certificate(s)

Internationally recognized certificates will be issued to all participants of the course who completed a minimum of 80% of the total tuition hours.


Certificate Accreditations

Certificates are accredited by the following international accreditation organizations: -

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British Accreditation Council (BAC)

Haward Technology is accredited by the **British Accreditation Council** for **Independent Further and Higher Education** as an **International Centre**. BAC is the British accrediting body responsible for setting standards within independent further and higher education sector in the UK and overseas. As a BAC-accredited international centre, Haward Technology meets all of the international higher education criteria and standards set by BAC.

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The International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training (IACET - USA)

Haward Technology is an Authorized Training Provider by the International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training (IACET), 2201 Cooperative Way, Suite 600, Herndon, VA 20171, USA. In obtaining this authority, Haward Technology has demonstrated that it complies with the **ANSI/IACET 2018-1 Standard** which is widely recognized as the standard of good practice internationally. As a result of our Authorized Provider membership status, Haward Technology is authorized to offer IACET CEUs for its programs that qualify under the **ANSI/IACET 2018-1 Standard**.

Haward Technology’s courses meet the professional certification and continuing education requirements for participants seeking **Continuing Education Units** (CEUs) in accordance with the rules & regulations of the International Accreditors for Continuing Education & Training (IACET). IACET is an international authority that evaluates programs according to strict, research-based criteria and guidelines. The CEU is an internationally accepted uniform unit of measurement in qualified courses of continuing education.

Haward Technology Middle East will award **3.0 CEUs** (Continuing Education Units) or **30 PDHs** (Professional Development Hours) for participants who completed the total tuition hours of this program. One CEU is equivalent to ten Professional Development Hours (PDHs) or ten contact hours of the participation in and completion of Haward Technology programs. A permanent record of a participant’s involvement and awarding of CEU will be maintained by Haward Technology. Haward Technology will provide a copy of the participant’s CEU and PDH Transcript of Records upon request.

Course Fee

US\$ 8,000 per Delegate + **VAT**. This rate includes H-STK® (Haward Smart Training Kit), buffet lunch, coffee/tea on arrival, morning & afternoon of each day.

Accommodation

Accommodation is not included in the course fees. However, any accommodation required can be arranged at the time of booking.



Course Instructor(s)

This course will be conducted by the following instructor(s). However, we have the right to change the course instructor(s) prior to the course date and inform participants accordingly:



Dr. Chris Kapetan, PhD, MSc, is a **Senior Drilling & Petroleum Engineer** with over **40 years** of international experience within the **onshore and offshore oil & gas** industry. His wide experience covers **Horizontal & Multilateral Wells, Well Completion & Stimulation, Artificial Lift System Selection & Design, Drilling Practices, Drilling Fluids Technology, Drilling Operations, Directional Drilling, Formation Damage Evaluation & Preventive, Formation Damage Remediation, Drilling & Formation Damage, Simulation Program for The International Petroleum Business, Well Testing & Analysis, Well Design, Well Testing & Oil Well Performance, Well Test Design Analysis, Well Test Operations, Well Testing & Perforation, Root Cause Analysis (RCA), RCA Method for Process Plant, RCA Techniques, Control Well-Flow Lines Parameters, Decision Analytic Modelling Methods for Economic Evaluation, Probabilistic Risk Analysis (Monte Carlo Simulator) Risk Analysis Foundations, Sulphur, Sour Natural Gas, Natural Gas Sweetening, Petroleum Production, Field Layout, Production Techniques & Control, Surface Production Operations, Project Risk Analysis, Feasibility Analysis Techniques, Capital Operational Costs, Flowmetering & Custody Transfer and Oil Refinery**. Further, he is also well-versed in **Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR), Electrical Submersible Pumps (ESP), Oil Industries Orientation, Geophysics, Cased Hole Formation Evaluation, Cased Hole Applications, Cased Hole Logs, Production Wells Operations, Production Management, Perforating Methods & Design, Perforating Operations, Fishing Operations, Well & Reservoir Testing, Reservoir Stimulation, Hydraulic Fracturing, Carbonate Acidizing, Sandstone Acidizing, Drilling Fluids Technology, Drilling Operations, Directional Drilling, Artificial Lift, Gas Lift Design, Gas Lift Operations, Petroleum Business, Petroleum Economics, Field Development Planning, Gas Lift Valve Changing & Installation, Well Completion Design & Operation, Well Surveillance, Well Testing, Well Stimulation & Control and Workover Planning, Completions & Workover, Rig Sizing, Hole Cleaning & Logging, Well Completion, Servicing & Work-Over Operations, Practical Reservoir Engineering, X-mas Tree & Wellhead Operations, Maintenance & Testing, Advanced Petrophysics/Interpretation of Well Composite, Construction Integrity & Completion, Coiled Tubing Technology, Corrosion Control, Slickline, Wireline & Coil Tubing, Pipeline Pigging, Corrosion Monitoring, Cathodic Protection** as well as **Root Cause Analysis (RCA), Root Cause Failure Analysis (RCFA), Gas Conditioning & Process Technology, Production Safety and Delusion of Asphalt**. Currently, he is the **Operations Consultant & the Technical Advisor** at **GEOTECH** and an independent **Drilling Operations Consultant** of various engineering services providers to the international clients as he offers his expertise in many areas of the **drilling & petroleum discipline** and is well **recognized & respected** for his process and procedural expertise as well as ongoing participation, interest and experience in continuing to promote technology to producers around the world.

Throughout his long career life, Dr. Chris has worked for many international companies and has spent several years **managing technically complex wellbore interventions** in both **drilling & servicing**. He is a **well-regarded** for his **process and procedural expertise**. Further, he was the **Operations Manager** at **ETP Crude Oil Pipeline Services** where he was fully responsible for optimum operations of crude oil pipeline, **workover** and **directional drilling, drilling rigs** and equipment, drilling of various geothermal deep wells and **exploration wells**. Dr. Chris was the **Drilling & Workover Manager & Superintendent** for **Kavala Oil** wherein he was responsible for supervision of **drilling operations and offshore exploration**, quality control of performance of **rigs, coiled tubing, crude oil** transportation via pipeline and abandonment of **well** as per the API requirements. He had occupied various key positions as the **Drilling Operations Consultant, Site Manager, Branch Manager, Senior Drilling & Workover Manager & Engineer, Drilling & Workover Engineer, Process Engineer, Operations Consultant and Technical Advisor** in several petroleum companies responsible mainly on an **offshore sour oil field** (under water flood and gas lift) and a gas field. Further, Dr. Chris has been a **Professor** of the **Oil Technology College**.

Dr. Chris has **PhD in Reservoir Engineering** and a **Master's degree in Drilling & Production Engineering** from the **Petrol-Gaze Din Ploiesti University**. Further, he is a **Certified Surfaced BOP Stack Supervisor** of **IWCF**, a **Certified Instructor/Trainer, a Certified Trainer/Assessor/Internal Verifier** by the **Institute of Leadership & Management (ILM)** and has conducted numerous short courses, seminars and workshops and has published several technical books on **Production Logging, Safety Drilling Rigs and Oil Reservoir**.

Training Methodology

All our Courses are including **Hands-on Practical Sessions** using equipment, State-of-the-Art Simulators, Drawings, Case Studies, Videos and Exercises. The courses include the following training methodologies as a percentage of the total tuition hours:-

- 30% Lectures
- 20% Practical Workshops & Work Presentations
- 30% Hands-on Practical Exercises & Case Studies
- 20% Simulators (Hardware & Software) & Videos

In an unlikely event, the course instructor may modify the above training methodology before or during the course for technical reasons.

Course Program

The following program is planned for this course. However, the course instructor(s) may modify this program before or during the course for technical reasons with no prior notice to participants. Nevertheless, the course objectives will always be met:

Day 1

0730 – 0800	<i>Registration & Coffee</i>
0800 – 0815	<i>Welcome & Introduction</i>
0815 – 0830	PRE-TEST
0830 - 0915	<i>Production System Concepts</i>
0915 - 0930	<i>Data Measurement Quality</i>
0930 – 0945	<i>Break</i>
0945 – 1030	<i>Units & Datums</i>
1030 – 1100	<i>Units: Introduction to Oilfield Units, Exercise on Conversion Factors & Prefixes in Common Use</i>
1100 - 1130	<i>Reservoir Fluid Properties Overview</i>
1130 - 1200	<i>Reservoir Fluid Composition & Fluid Properties</i>
1200 - 1215	<i>Break</i>
1215 – 1330	<i>PVT Correlations & Matching</i>
1330 - 1420	<i>Wellbore Fluids Sampling</i>
1420 – 1430	<i>Recap</i>
1430	<i>Lunch & End of Day One</i>

Day 2

0730 – 0845	<i>Reservoir Fluids Measurements (PVT Analysis)</i>
0845 – 0930	<i>Fluid Property Correlations</i>
0930 – 0945	<i>Break</i>
0945 – 1030	<i>Inflow Performance Concepts</i>
1030 – 1100	<i>Inflow Performance & Productivity Index (PI)</i>
1100 – 1130	<i>PI & Darcy's Law</i>
1130 – 1200	<i>How to Increase PI</i>
1200 - 1215	<i>Break</i>
1215 – 1330	<i>Pressure Distribution in the Reservoir</i>
1330 - 1420	<i>Radial Flow IPR & Skin</i>
1420 – 1430	<i>Recap</i>
1430	<i>Lunch & End of Day Two</i>



Day 3

0730 – 0845	Radial Inflow Performance Equation (Oil)
0845 – 0930	Two Phase Inflow Performance (PI & Vogel)
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1030	Skin Components
1030 – 1100	Outflow Performance Concepts
1100 – 1130	Components of Wellbore Pressure Loss (Gravity & Friction)
1130 – 1200	Friction in the Wellbore-Estimates & Calculation
1200 - 1215	Break
1215 – 1330	Velocity & Slip in the Wellbore
1330 - 1420	Holdup & Slip
1420 – 1430	Recap
1430	Lunch & End of Day Three

Day 4

0730 – 0845	Effect of Flow Distribution (Regime) on Slip
0845 – 0930	Slip & Holdup Correlations & Flow Regime Maps
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1030	More on Slip & Holdup & an Overview of Flow Correlations
1030 – 1100	Pressure Loss in the Wellbore- a Summary
1100 – 1130	Flow Correlations & VLP's
1130 – 1200	How Does Pwf change with Flowrate- an Introduction to VLP's
1200 - 1215	Break
1215 – 1330	Flow Correlation Comparisons (Gradient Traverse & VLP's)
1330 - 1420	Recommended Variables when Generating VLP's for Simulators
1420 – 1430	Recap
1430	Lunch & End of Day Four

Day 5

0730 – 0845	Pressure Loss at Surface
0845 – 0930	Components of Surface Pressure Loss & Rate of Change of WHP
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1030	Choke Performance Overview
1030 – 1100	Surface Flow Correlation Comparisons
1100 – 1130	Nodal Analysis Concepts
1130 – 1200	Nodal Analysis Plot Interpretation
1200 - 1215	Break
1215 - 1345	Workshop: Matching the Well Model (Production Test Data Analysis) Running Sensitivities • Exporting Lift Curves (VLPs) & IPR • More Complex Inflow (IPR) Modelling (Darcy & Skin) • Running Gradient Traverse (Outflow) Sensitivities • Running Reservoir Performance (Inflow) Sensitivities • Building a Water Injector & Exporting Lift Curves • Naturally Flowing Well- Workflow Summary
1345 – 1400	Course Conclusion
1400 – 1415	POST-TEST
1415 – 1430	Presentation of Course Certificates
1430	Lunch & End of Course

Simulators (Hands-on Practical Sessions)

Practical sessions will be organized during the course for delegates to practice the theory learnt. Delegates will be provided with an opportunity to carryout various exercises using one of our state-of-the-art “PROSPER” software.



PROSPER

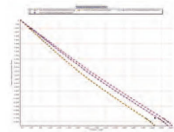
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WELL AND PIPELINE MODELS



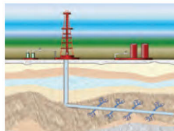
PROSPER was commercialised in the early 90's and has been the subject of ongoing research and development for over two decades. Each year, new models and functionalities are added to the already extensive list of options in the program. There are over three million combinations of options that can be used to describe the vast majority of physical phenomena happening in wells and pipelines. In spite of the large number of situations that can be modelled, the adaptive interface only presents the user with the relevant input fields and menus according to the selections made in the options menu, keeping the model building effort at a minimum. PROSPER has evolved into the industry standard for well and pipeline modelling due to its unrivalled sound technical basis and unique modelling capabilities. The program today forms one of the foundation stones of the Digital Oil Field system, and the calculation engine is utilised by numerous workflows in real time on hundreds of fields world-wide.

OUTFLOW (VLPs) MODEL



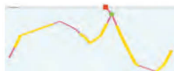
As part of the package of unique features available in PROSPER, research being conducted since Petex was founded has resulted in the creation of a number of proprietary multiphase flow pressure drop models (both empirical and mechanistic). The objective of this research has been to create fundamentally rigorous models that overcome the limitations of traditional models available in the industry. Petex is uniquely placed to have access to data from all over the world and over the years, a comprehensive database of pressure drop measurements has been created, which allows our researchers to compare novel physical models to real world information. Independent comparisons done by industry experts in multiphase flow have proven the reliability and consistency of the Petroleum Experts pressure drop models, to the point where these models are being widely used to quality check measurements obtained in the field. As part of a clearly defined well test quality check workflow, users have the ability to compare and contrast the behaviour of traditional pressure drop models with the ones uniquely available in PROSPER in order to assess suitability and consistency over the life of a well. Should users choose to use third party pressure drop models such as OLGAS or LEDAFLOW, these are also available as plug-ins, provided that the relevant licenses from the third party vendors are put in place.

INFLOW (IPRs) MODEL



A comprehensive set of inflow models complement the multiphase flow capabilities in PROSPER, enabling Nodal Analysis calculations to be done for virtually any type of well. There are over 20 inflow models that have been developed over the years, that can be applied to horizontal, vertical, deviated, multilayer and multilateral geometries. Furthermore, novel development has seen the realisation of unique inflow models that account for changing PVT conditions in the well drainage area as well as in multiple zones. This allows re-perforation studies, analysis of skin, the application of sand control measures and many other sensitivities to be conducted easily.

MULTILATERAL COMPLETIONS



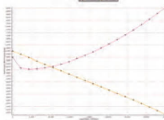
Alongside all of the analytically derived Inflow Performance Relationships available in PROSPER, the Multi-Lateral IPR model is the culmination of extensive research and has been designed specifically for complex well completions that have undulating trajectories across multiple producing zones. This is the most advanced analytical IPR that exists in the industry today and can only be found in PROSPER as another one of the many unique features in the program.



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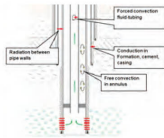
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INFLOW/OUTFLOW RESPONSE



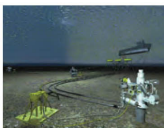
The rigorous multiphase pressure drop models and unique list of inflow performance relationships come together to form system calculations for well and pipeline models. This allows for assessing the productivity of oil, gas and condensate wells to be performed, both for production and injection scenarios, with or without artificial lift. Sensitivities can be conducted through a simple interface that allows the investigation of virtually all parameters that are inputs to the models and the matching workflows allow for comparisons to be done between the results predicted by the models and the measurements obtained for these wells if they are already operational.

THERMAL MODELLING



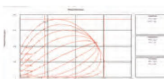
PROSPER is capable of modelling thermal profiles in wellbores using multiple methods, ranging from a constant rate of heat transfer (Rough Approximation) through to a detailed and rigorous full energy balance (Enthalpy Balance) that considers the forced and free convection, conduction and radiation heat transfer mechanisms. The latter considers a detailed materials specification, and to aid with this PROSPER has been furnished with a database of common casing, tubing, cement and mud descriptions with their associated heat transfer properties. Users can also take advantage of a hybrid thermal calculation technique that was developed by Petex (Improved Approximation). This allows for Joules-Thomson effects to be captured in the well, while at the same time enabling multiple heat transfer coefficients with depth to be used.

FLOW ASSURANCE



Flow assurance studies are an integral part of any pipeline and well analysis, done both for designing and troubleshooting purposes. In PROSPER many years of research have been dedicated to addressing these issues and users can study either hydraulic flow assurance challenges, or issues related to the thermodynamic behaviour of fluids. Hydraulic investigations can be conducted on flow regimes, erosional velocities, superficial velocities, wellbore stability analysis (liquid loading), slug catcher sizing and many others. Thermodynamic calculations can include studies on hydrate formation, waxing, salt precipitation and others. PROSPER will indicate where in the system these issues might occur and the user has options to consider intervention (e.g. hydrate inhibition, surfactants, etc.) or changing the operational conditions (wellhead pressure).

FULLY COMPOSITIONAL



As is the case with all the programs developed by Petex, PROSPER uses a powerful thermodynamics engine to complement the traditional black oil models that provide all the thermodynamic properties needed for the pressure drop, flow assurance and inflow calculations. In fully compositional mode, PROSPER allows users to take advantage of advanced hydrate prediction and mitigation calculations, salt deposition, special handling of CO2 for dense and light phases and many other functionalities. In black oil mode, a large number of correlations are available that can be compared and matched to lab data. Special correlations for heavy oils have been implemented and these, coupled with an emulsion model as well as special heavy oil pressure drop models, make PROSPER unique in being able to deal with such fluids and the intricacies of producing them. Another feature that is widely used is the ability to predict the vaporised water that is produced from gas wells. This is based on industry standard calculations that have been modified based on data received from clients to create a uniquely accurate model for analysing this situation.



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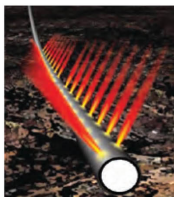
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ARTIFICIAL LIFT SYSTEMS



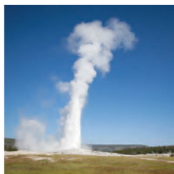
Artificial lift design and troubleshooting has been an area where PROSPER has offered unparalleled modelling capabilities to the user community for many years. Gas Lift, ESPs, HSPs, Coil Tubing Gas Lift, PCPs, Jet Pumps, Sucker Rod Pumps are only a few of the many lift mechanisms that can be evaluated for new and existing installations. With every new release of the program, one or more methods are added and the capability of the existing methods are enhanced. A database of equipment (Pumps, valves, motors etc) is available and is being updated every year as new descriptions become available. Unique features include the Quicklook troubleshooting workflows, minimum energy methodologies for HSP wells, designs that consider the inflow performance and many others. The latest addition to the list is a Fully Transient Gas Lift Simulator, which simulates the unloading phase of gas lifting and allows users to assess the stability of such wells. All the artificial methods available can be made part of a bigger network model (GAP) for full field optimisation as well as the Digital Oilfield systems where they can form the basis of any workflow that users wish to automate (for surveillance, diagnostics and others).

PERFORATION DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE



As part of the philosophy of sharing knowledge among operators in the industry, Shell has contributed their proprietary perforation optimisation tool (SPOT) which can now be found as part of the standard toolkit of calculations in PROSPER. The objective of this module is to allow engineers to compare the perforation charge performance and assist in selecting the optimum perforation gun. This can be done through the charge properties, rock properties (averages of obtained from logs), fluid properties and by using appropriate drilling mud invasion models. It can handle open hole completions as well as cased hole completions. The implementation in PROSPER allows the output of SPOT to be directly combined with the vertical lift performance models to predict the complete well performance, therefore eliminating the artificial boundary conditions that would need to be put in place if only the inflow part of the well was considered.

STEAM WELLS



Steam injection wells (SAGD, Huff and Puff, Direct Steam Injection) are becoming more common in the industry and modelling of such systems can be done through a variety of tools in the IPM Suite, primarily REVEAL. PROSPER is also steam enabled and if the wells to be modelled relate to steam injection systems, then lift curves can be generated that can be used to model steam distribution systems (in GAP). In creating integrated steam injection systems models, the efficient designs of the network, analysing the operating envelope limits, evaluating energy management and the economics are now feasible for what have traditionally been a costly operation.

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