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## The Smart Grid: Applications, Technologies and Standards

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### Part 1

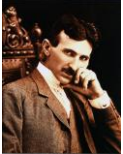
## Who Needs a "Smart Grid"?




## Is the existing grid dumb?




Thomas Edison




Nikola Tesla



George Westinghouse



Samuel Insull



## Grand Engineering Achievements of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century

### 1. Electrification

## U.S. Power System at a Glance

- +15,000 Generating units
- +3,800 TWh per year
- Average cost: 9.74 cents/kWh



49%



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19%

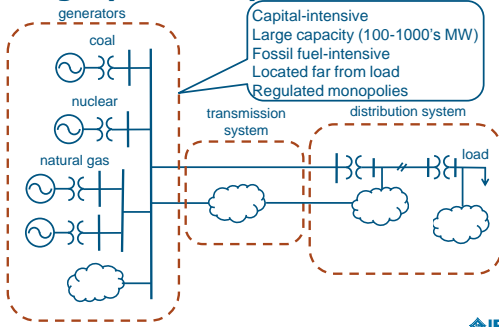
## U.S. Power System at a Glance

- +160,000 miles of high voltage transmission lines
- Up to 765,000 Volts
- +99% availability

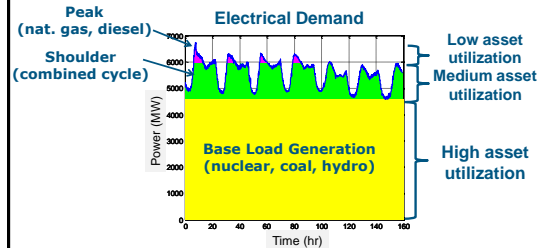
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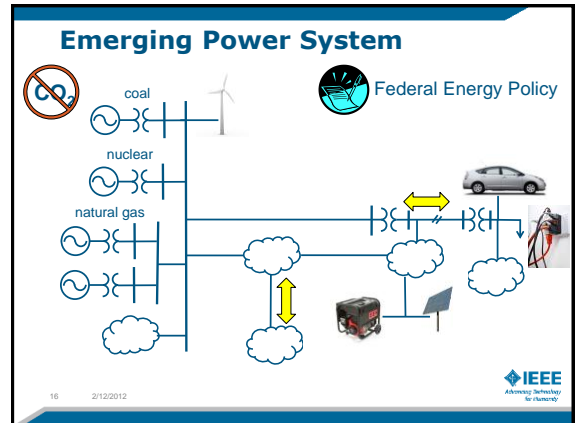
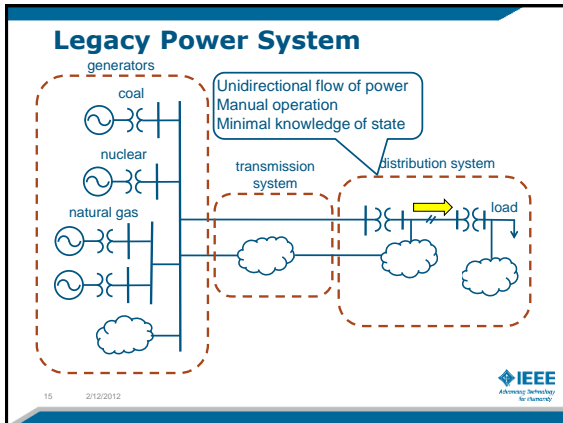
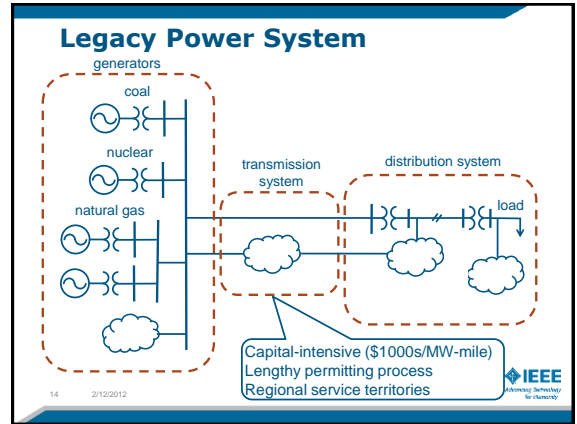
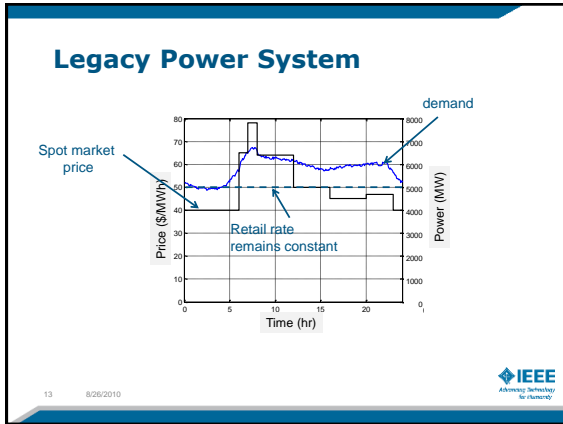


## Legacy Power System



## Legacy Power System





- ### Part 1: Summary
- The legacy power system is a well engineered machine
  - Changes in generation characteristics, transmission expectations and new devices in distribution system push the power system to its limits
  - To maintain reliability, economy and allow for growth a modernization of the power system is needed
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### Part 2 The Promise of a Smarter Grid

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## The Smart Grid is...

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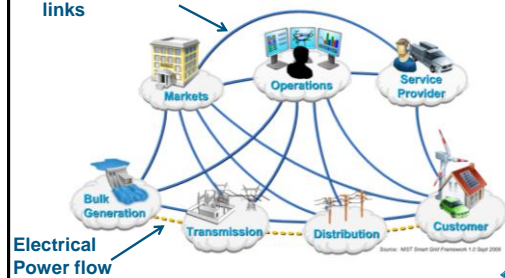
A common theme in the various definitions of the Smart Grid is the increased interaction of the power system with communication networks and information technologies to supply electrical energy in a more reliable, efficient, secure, and environmentally neutral manner.

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## Smart Grid Domains

Communication links



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## Smart Grid Functions

**A Smart Grid should be able to:**

- (1) develop, store, send and receive digital information through one or a combination of devices and technologies.
- (2) develop, store, send and receive digital information to or from a computer or other control device.
- (3) measure, monitor and report electricity use and power quality characteristics.
- (4) sense and localize disruptions on the grid and communicate such information for reliability and security purposes.

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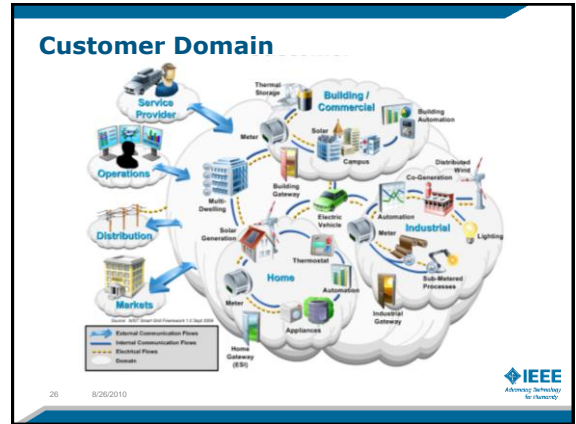
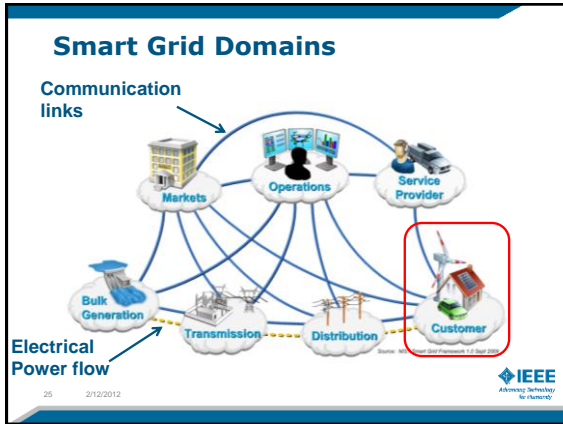
## Smart Grid Functions Cont.

**A Smart Grid should be able to:**

- (5) detect, prevent, communicate with regard to, respond to, or recover from system security threats.
- (6) have any appliance or machine to respond to signals, measurements, or communications automatically or in a manner programmed by its owner or operator.
- (7) use digital information to operate functionalities on the electric utility without human interaction.
- (8) use digital controls to manage and modify electricity demand, enable congestion management, assist in voltage control, provide operating reserves, and provide frequency regulation.

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### Smart Grid Technologies

- Smart Appliances
  - Two-way communication
    - Zigbee, powerline communication (PLC)
  - Remotely controllable
  - Owner-programmable

The image shows a smart meter and two smart appliances, a washing machine and a dryer.

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### Smart Grid Technologies

- Home Area Network (HAN)
  - Communication between smart appliances and controller
  - Interfaces with smart meter

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### Smart Grid Technologies

- Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) with Smart Meters
  - Two-way communication with utility
  - Real-time energy usage
  - Time-dependent price signals
  - Power quality characteristics
  - Control signals

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### Consumer Empowerment

- Consumers can respond to price signals
- Known as Demand Response
- Examples:
  - laundry done at night to avoid high prices
  - informed comfort versus cost tradeoff decisions for air conditioning, etc.

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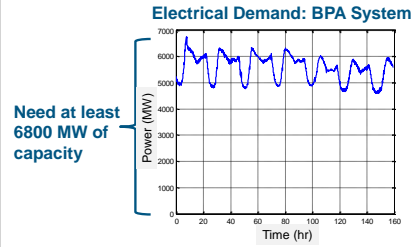
### Enhanced Asset Utilization

- Price-sensitive demand could result in reshaped load profile
- Better utilization of assets

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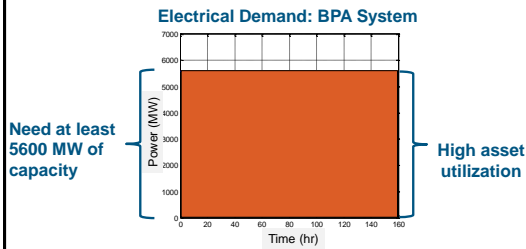
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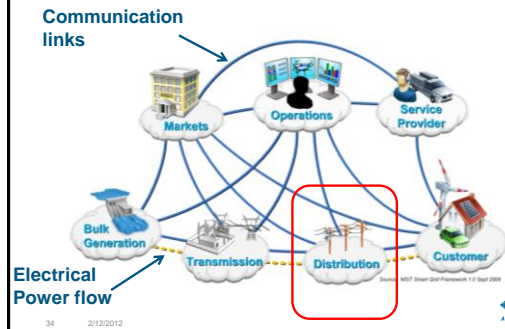
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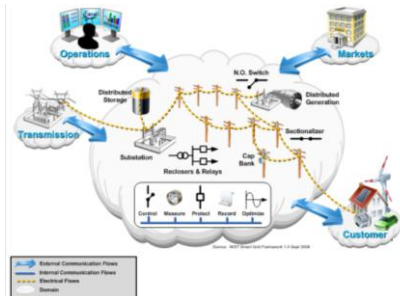
### Smart Grid Domains



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### Distribution Domain



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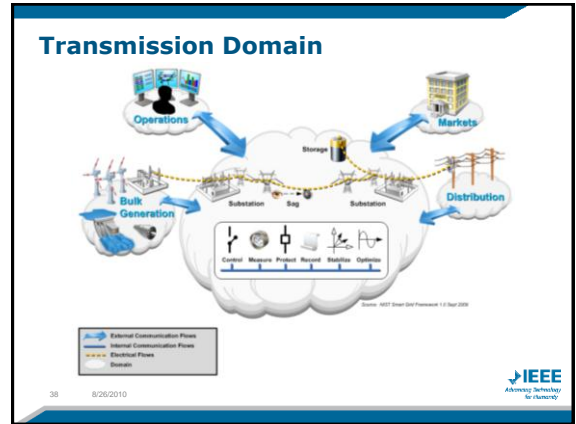
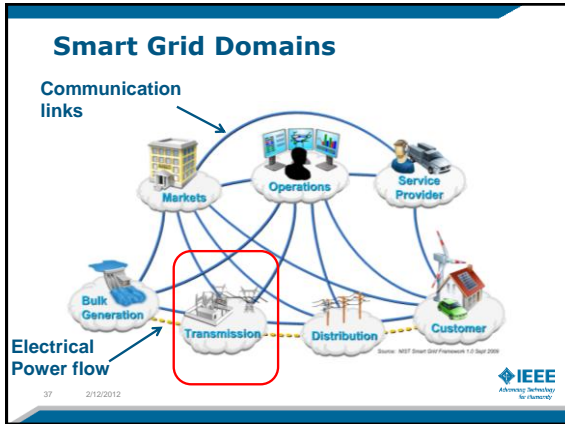


### Smart Grid Technologies

- Automated substation/distribution devices
  - Transformers
  - Capacitor banks
  - Switches
  - Sectionalizers
- Remote power-harvesting sensors
- Control of distributed generation

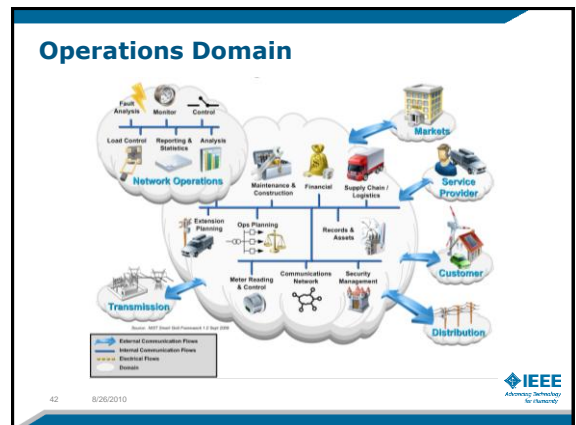
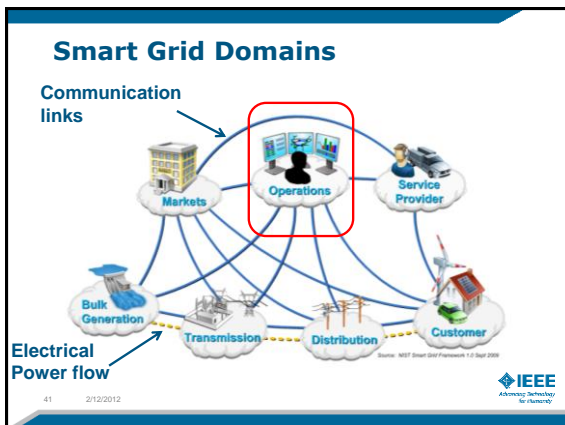
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- ### Smart Grid Technologies
- Phasor Measurement Units (PMU)
    - Voltage magnitude and phase measurement
    - Rely on GPS technology to synchronize several PMU readings, leading to enhanced knowledge of system state
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- ### Smart Grid Technologies
- Remote power-harvesting sensors
  - Video sagometers
    - Detect when transmission lines are overloaded
    - Dynamic line ratings
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## Improved Operations

- More secure
- Higher reliability
- Greater power quality
- More efficient delivery of energy
- Improved ability to integrate renewable and distributed generation resources

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## Part 2: Summary

- Consumer Empowerment
- Enhanced Asset Utilization
- Greater Awareness
- Improved Ability to Meet Operational Objectives (emissions, reliability, etc)

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## Part 3 Realizing the Smart Grid

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## The Smart Grid is a Work in Progress

- Standards
- Legislation
- Pilot Projects



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## Smart Grid Standards

- Key challenge is grid interoperability
- Interoperability framework: "shall be flexible, uniform, and technology neutral"
- Goal: plug-and-play
- Standards and Protocols are needed

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## Smart Grid Standards

- Standard development organizations
  - IEEE
  - International Telecommunication Union
  - International Organization for Standardization
  - International Electrotechnical Commission
  - German Standards Institute

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## Smart Grid Standards

- Standards alliances
  - HomePlug Powerline Alliance
  - Z-Wave Alliance
  - Zigbee Alliance

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## Key IEEE Smart Grid Standards

- +100 existing Smart Grid standards and standards under development
- See <http://smartgrid.ieee.org/standards> for a complete list

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## Key IEEE Smart Grid Standards

- **IEEE C37.118**  
Defines phasor measurement unit performance specifications and communications.
- **IEEE 1547 Suite**  
Defines physical and electrical interconnections between utility and distributed generation and storage.
- **IEEE 1588**  
For time management and clock synchronization across the smart grid for equipment needing consistent time management.
- **IEEE 1686-2007**  
Covers intelligent electronic device security capabilities, including the access, operation, configuration, firmware revision, and data retrieval.  
Source: <http://www.smartgrid.gov/standards/existing>

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## IEEE P2030

- Draft Guide for Smart Grid Interoperability of Energy Technology and Information Technology Operation with the Electric Power System (EPS), and End-Use Applications and Loads

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## Key Legislation in the U.S.

- Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA)
  - Establishes a federal policy to modernize the power system
  - Forms a Smart Grid Advisory Committee and Smart Grid Taskforce
- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
  - Allocates \$4.5B specifically for Smart Grid

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## Smart Grid Case Studies

- +100 projects funded by Federal Government
- Xcel Energy—SmartGrid City
- Southern California Edison—SmartConnect
- Hawaiian Electric
- GridWise™ Demonstration Project

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## SmartGridCity—Boulder, CO

- Started in 2008
- +20,000 smart metered customers
- Smart Grid infrastructure
  - Communication
  - Sensing
  - Automation

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## SmartGridCity—Boulder, CO

- *It's so smart that the number of customer-voltage complaints — about either surges or drops — went from 70 in 2007 to zero so far this year.*
- *It's so smart that it identified a transformer that was overloaded and needed to be replaced — before it got fried.*

Source: Mark Jaffe, Boulder's SmartGridCity brings Xcel up to speed on electric picture, *The Denver Post*, Sept. 9, 2009.

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## SmartGridCity—Boulder, CO

- Original Project Cost: \$15.3 million
- Revised Project Cost: \$42.1 million
- Only 43% of residents have meters
- Tried to pass on costs through rate increase
- Trouble in installing communication network due to...

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## Southern California Edison—SmartConnect

- Installing smart meters
  - +1 million meters installed
  - +5 million target by 2012
- Customers can view energy usage the next day from a computer, cell phone, or other device
- Pricing plans, programs and services
- Meters will communicate with smart thermostats, appliances and other devices.

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## Southern California Edison—SmartConnect

- Estimated reduced demand 1000 MW
- Cost \$1.63 billion
- Consumer benefits \$9–304 million
- Some consumer opposition as it is paid by rate payers

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## Hawaiian Electric

- Envisioned \$115 million project reaching 451,000 locations
- Pilot Project: 9,400 smart meters
- Proposed Expanded Pilot:
  - 5,000 new meters
  - Cost \$1.35 million
- Denied by Hawaiian PUC

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## Hawaiian Electric

*Our office was concerned that the investment would be made but ratepayers wouldn't see the benefits.*

-Dean Nishina, Executive Director,  
State Division of Consumer Advocacy

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## GridWise™ Demonstration Project

- Pacific Northwest National Laboratories and regional utilities and industry
- Olympic Peninsula of Washington State
- March 2006 through March 2007
- Tested smart appliance technology and demand-response of customers

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## GridWise™ Demonstration Project

- Key Results and Findings:
  - Showed feasibility of internet-based coordination of customer demand response
  - Peak load reduced by 15%
  - High customer adoption rate if the human interface is made simple
  - 10% reduction on electricity bills
  - Regulatory rather than technical barriers are most significant

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## Observations

- What is the business case?
- Customer benefits are poorly quantified
- Electricity is relatively inexpensive and people will pay for convenience
- Customers resent being treated like lab rats
- Smart Grid is not only Smart Meters!
- Working with regulators is key

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## Summary

- Smart Grid is a way of modernizing the power system
- Increased interaction of power system, communications and IT
- Still a work in progress, many obstacles ahead

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*I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.*

-Thomas Edison



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## IEEE Smart Grid

- Cross-society effort
- Transactions on Smart Grid launched June 2010
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<http://smartgrid.ieee.org/>



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