

# Wave and current service delivery to commercial shipping

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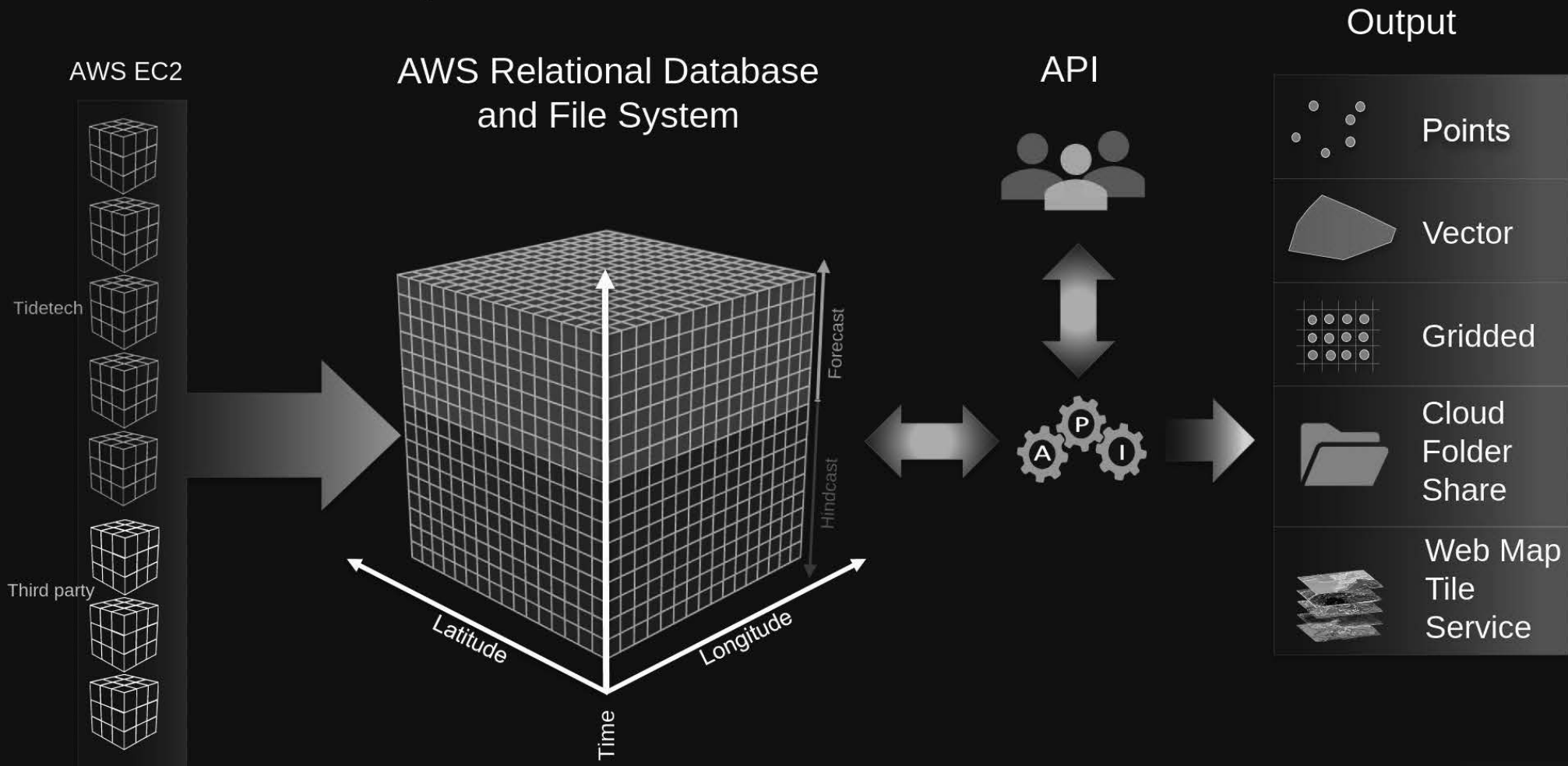
# About Tidetech

Small SME (~8 FTE) based, mostly, in Hobart

Specialists in delivery of metocean data in customised services

- Data scavengers, we look worldwide for 3<sup>rd</sup> party datasets of value
- Model developers, in-house capabilities for structured and unstructured ocean models
- Data synthesisers, we blend and homogenise data collections for seamless access

# Tidetechn Systems



# Customers

<p>Shipping</p> <p><u>Wärstsilä*</u>  <u>ABB*</u>  <u>Napa Class NK*</u>  <u>RINA CUBE*</u>  <u>Danaos Shipping*</u>  <u>VISWA Group*</u>  <u>Euronav*</u>  <u>Austal*</u>  <u>Deep Sea Technologies</u>  <u>Navidium DMCC</u>  <u>Delta International</u></p>	<p><u>Enamor</u>  <u>Force Technology</u>  <u>Lemisoller</u>  <u>OneOcean</u>  <u>QTAGG</u>  <u>DTN</u>  <u>WNI</u>  <u>We4Sea</u>  <u>DNV*</u></p>	<p>Competitive Sailing</p> <p>34<sup>th</sup> and 36<sup>th</sup> Americas Cups  Olympic Sailing Teams  The Ocean Race  Vendee Globe  Sydney to Hobart Race  <u>Fastnet Race</u>  <u>Expedition Software</u>  <u>Adrena Software</u>  Time Zero Software  Evolution Software</p> <p>Multiple individual subscribers to our yacht racing packages</p>	<p>Recreational</p> <p><u>Johnson Outdoors*</u>  <u>Raymarine*</u></p> <p><u>Weathertrack App</u></p> <p>Multiple subscribers to our <u>Tidemap</u> web viewer – kayakers, fishers, stand up paddleboarders, swimmers, small powerboats and sailing dinghies</p>
<p>Defence</p> <p><u>TPGroup*</u></p>	<p>Pollution Control</p> <p><u>Riskaware</u></p>	<p>Offshore Oil and Gas</p> <p><u>RINA*</u>  Royston</p>	<p>Marine Asset Risk</p> <p>Polestar Global</p>

\*listed companies

# How does commercial shipping use waves and currents?

- Route planning – either across oceans or in coastal seas
- Route optimisation – safety at sea, on-time arrival, fuel usage efficiency
- Timetable planning – knowledge of tides enables advanced timetabling
  
- Operational – i.e. forecasts for 7-15 days
- Strategic – e.g. 5 years hindcast analysis of ship performance
- Future operations – e.g. next year's ferry timetable utilising tidal information

# What waves and current data does shipping use?

Global and/or regional model datasets

## Waves:

- › Significant wave height, primary wave period and mean wave direction
- › Wind waves – height, period, direction
- › Swell waves - 1<sup>st</sup> component height, period, direction
- › Primary wavelength, from the deep water dispersion relation
- › 30 minute to hourly intervals, 2 – 10 km resolution

## Currents:

- › Ocean surface currents
- › Tidal currents – coupled to the ocean currents
- › Regional tidal currents, or tide plus surge currents
- › Occasional requests for bottom currents or vertical current profiles
- › 20 minute to hourly intervals, 100m – 10km resolution

## How do they get the data?

Via calls to our API, e.g. json request options for

- Points, e.g. along a route, so varying in space and time
- Polygons, e.g. to give an uncertainty estimate along a route
- Entire forecasts, for ingest into ECDIS or web service display
- CSV, netcdf, grib options

Bucket sharing on AWS

FTP, or (old style) email attachments

## Some examples of current and wave use

Route optimisation

ECDIS service

Live cattle transport

High resolution ship routes in Singapore Strait

Ferry operations



If shipping were a country, it would be the world's sixth-biggest greenhouse gas emitter

Route optimisation to reduce fuel consumption is a win-win



This optimised journey, taking the northern route, gives 11% reduction in fuel, saving ~\$40,000.

New pollution regulations make for increased need for optimisation

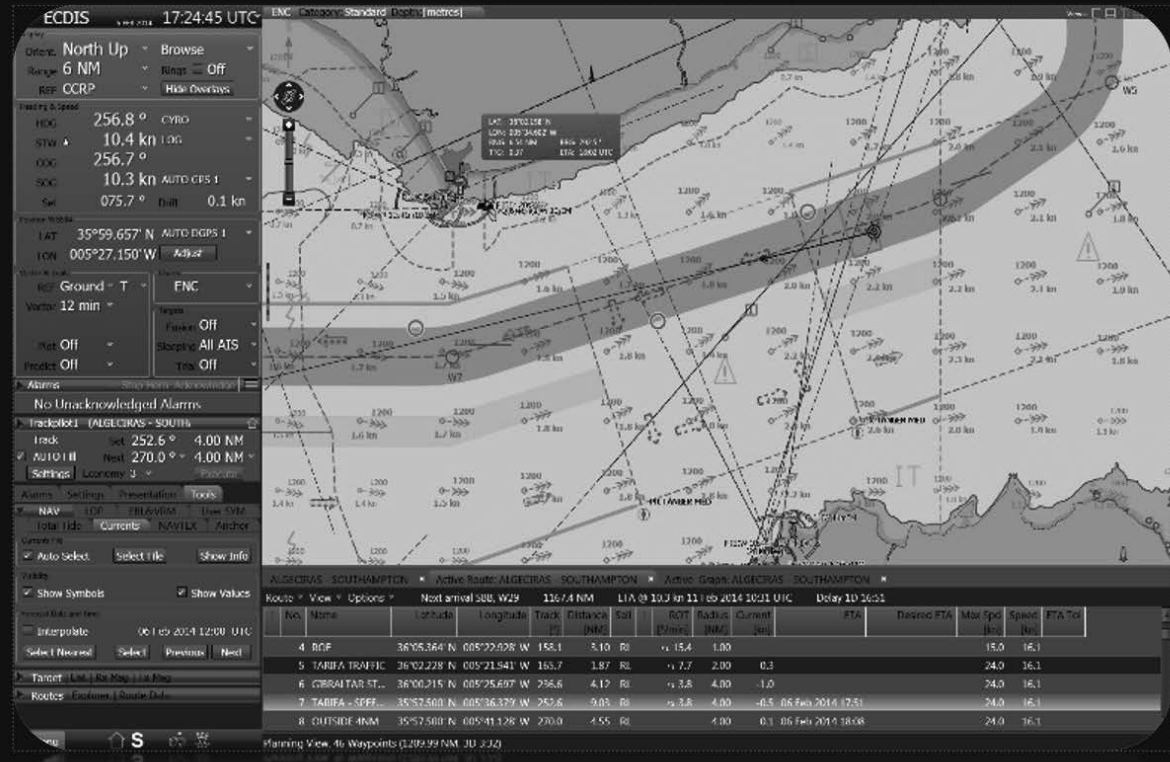
# Integration into ECDIS

Electronic chart display and information system

Showing inclusion of Tidetech currents



Royal Princess

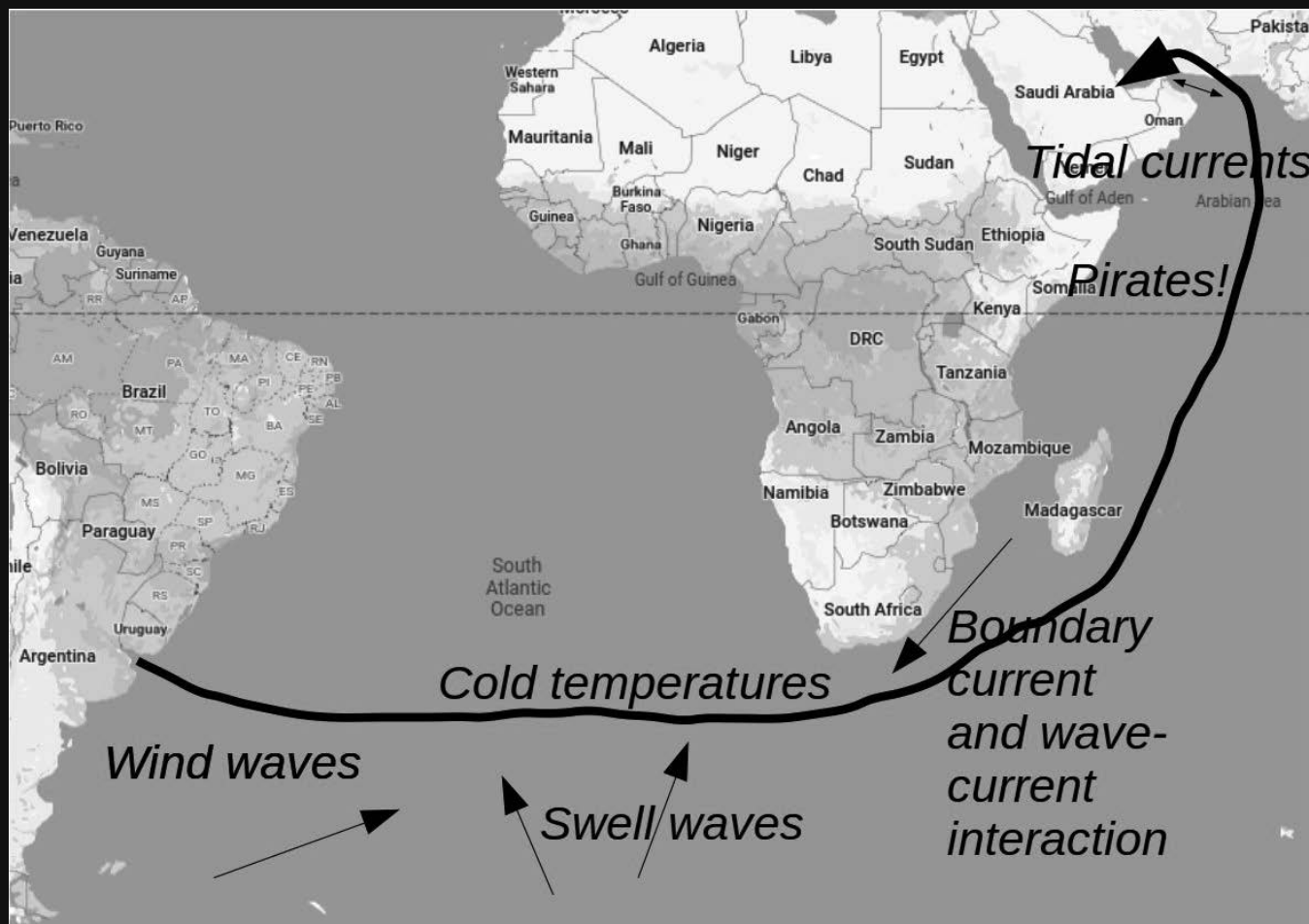


The screenshot displays an ECDIS interface with a chart showing current data overlays. The interface includes a left-hand menu with various settings and a main chart area. A table at the bottom of the chart area provides detailed information about the currents.

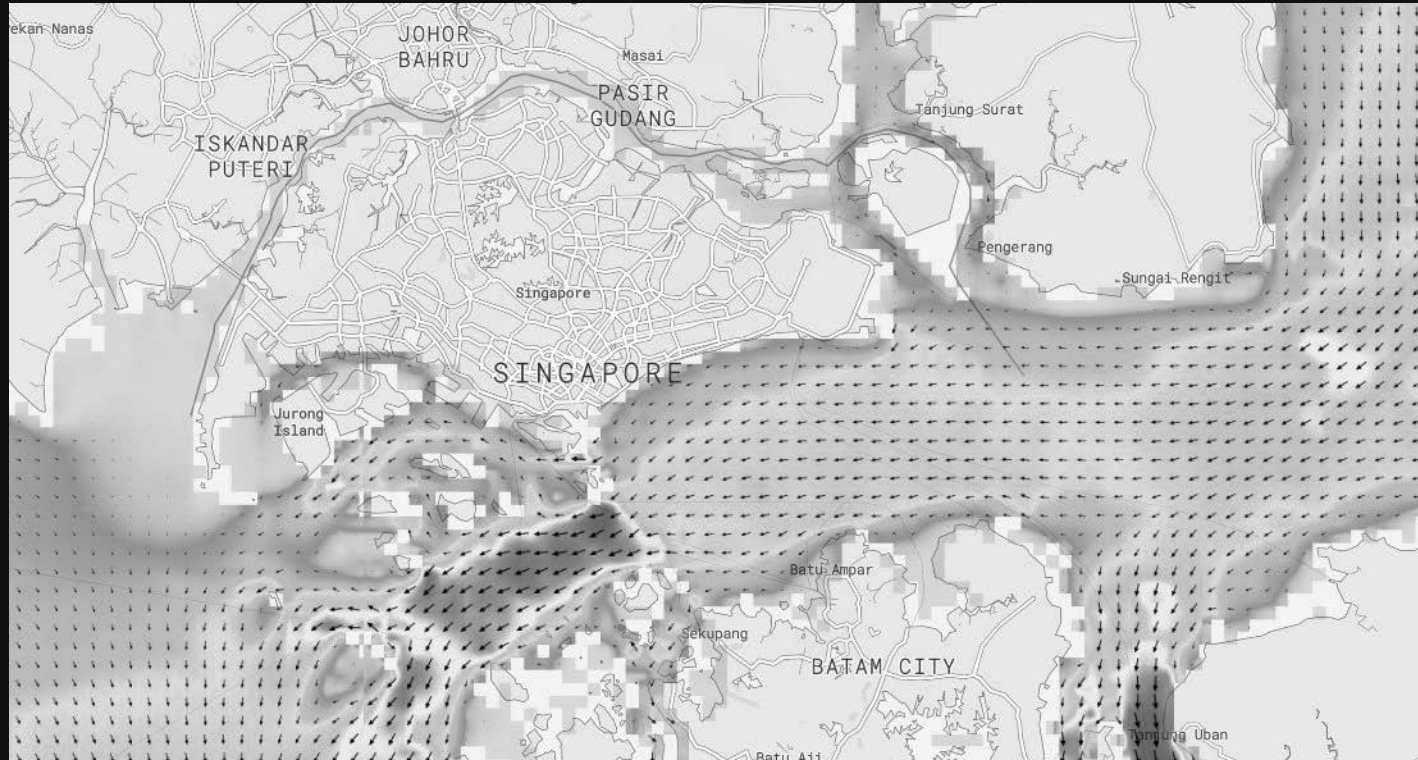
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# Live cattle transport

– health of cattle affected by waves, currents and air temperatures



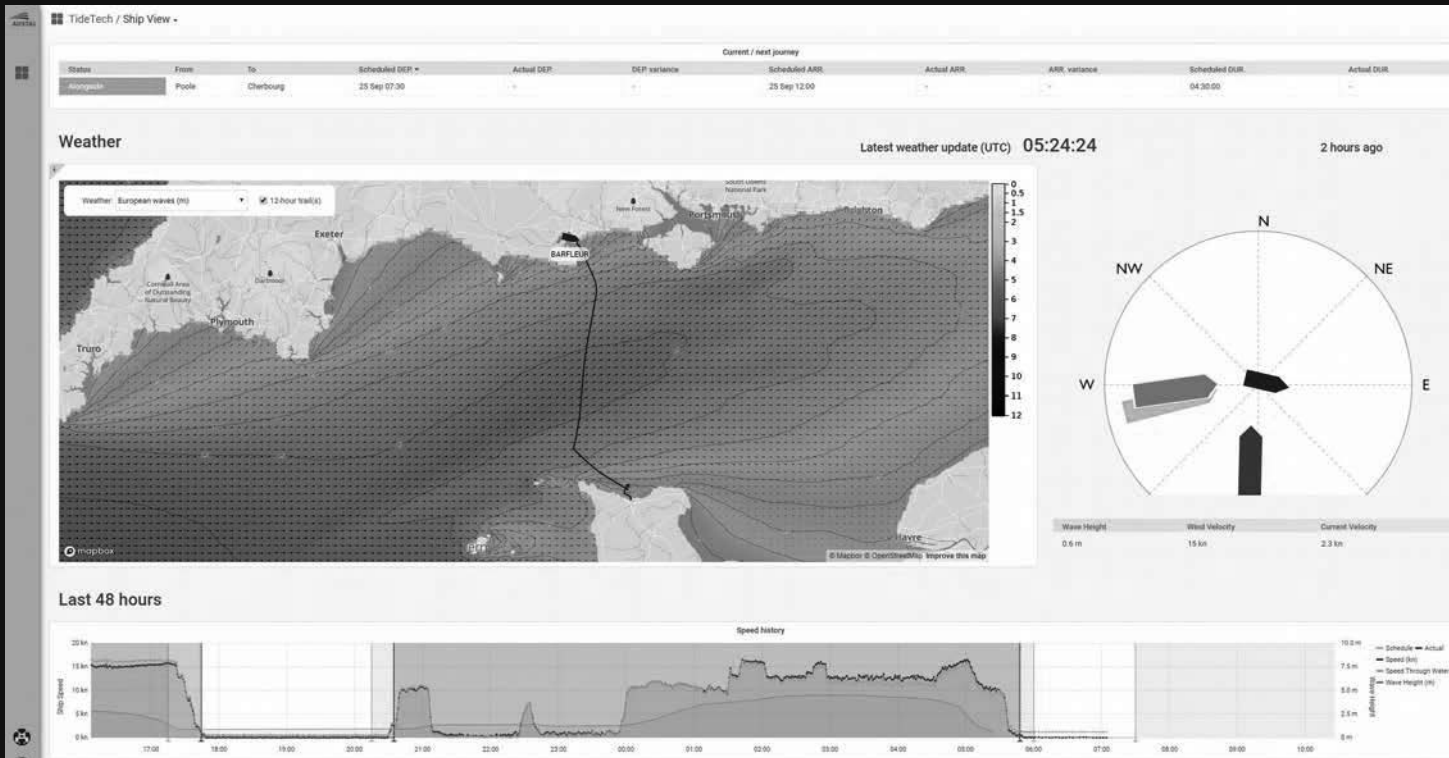
# High resolution ship routes in Singapore Strait



High resolution – 100m – represent shipping lanes  
additional seasonal monsoonal ocean impact

# Austal MarineLink

– showing Brittany Ferry and journey modification because of large waves



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