



ENGAGING WITH OPSS.MUNI 1101: HIGHLIGHTS AND EXPEREINCES

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Introduction
 - Performance Graded Asphalt Cement (PGAC)
 - Asphalt cement specification OPSS.MUNI 1101 before 2016
 - Premature pavement cracking
- OPSS.MUNI 1101 Nov 2016 asphalt cement specification
- Advanced testing
- Asphalt pavement performance
- Current nomenclature
- Summary





INTRODUCTION

- More extreme weather conditions

- Hot summers



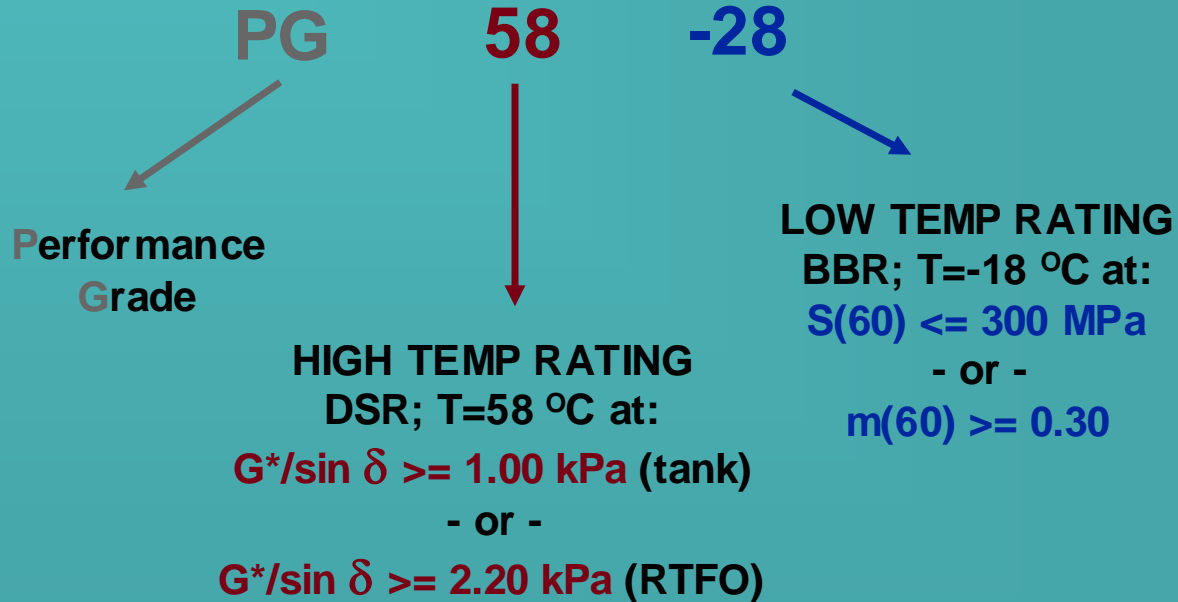
- Cold winters





INTRODUCTION

PG Grading System





PGAC ZONES IN ONTARIO

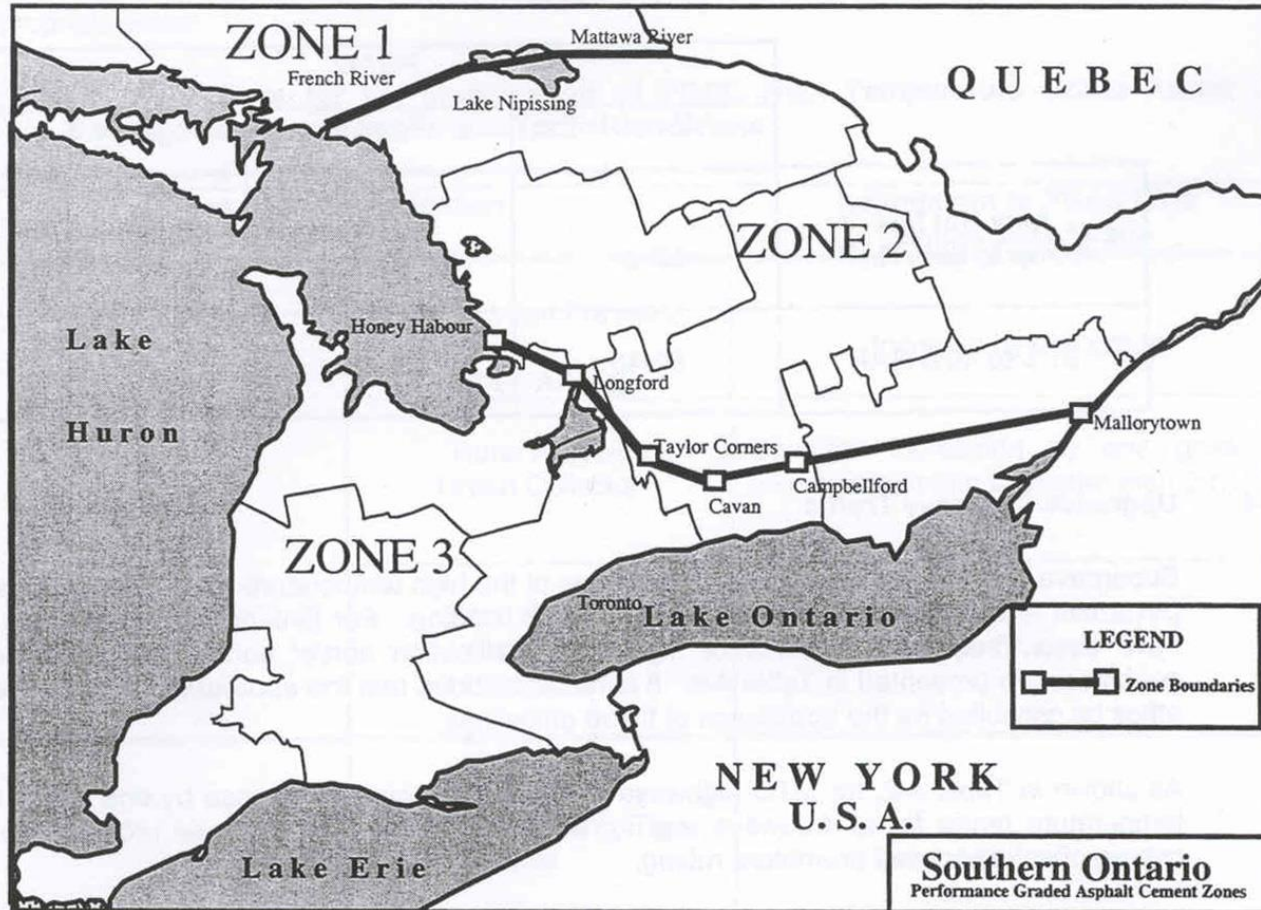


Figure 4-1: 2000 PGAC Zones for Ontario

INTRODUCTION



LTPPBIND

(Version 2.1, July 1, 1999)



A Software For:
Determining SUPERPAVE Performance Grades
Based on LTPP and SHRP Pavement Temperature Models
and Data from 7928 Weather Stations in North America

Provided by:
Federal Highway Administration
Turner-Fairbank Highway Research Center
6300 Georgetown Pike, HRDI-13
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PG Binder Selection

Data for 'TORONTO WILSON HEIGHTS' Weather Station

Latitude, Degree: 43.73
HIGH: 30.5, LOW: -23.3
Design Air Temperature, Degree C: 30.5, -23.3
Air Temperature Standard Deviation, C: 1.3, 2.0

Other Inputs: Desired Reliability, %: 98
Depth (Pvt. surface to top of layer, mm): 0
Traffic Load, Million ESAL: 100
Traffic Speed: Fast

Traffic Adjustment: None, SHRP, KMC, User Defined

Pavement Temperature and PG	HIGH	LOW
Design Air Temperature	30.5	-23.3
Design Pavement Temperature	54.8	-22.5
Adjustment for Traffic Speed	+ 12	
Adjustment for Traffic Loading		
Adjusted Pavement Temperature	66.8	-22.5
Selected Binder Grade	70	-28

Buttons: Close, PG Chart, Print, Save, Help

PG Binder Selection

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Latitude, Degree: 43.73
HIGH: 30.5, LOW: -23.3
Design Air Temperature, Degree C: 30.5, -23.3
Air Temperature Standard Deviation, C: 1.3, 2.0

Other Inputs: Desired Reliability, %: 98
Depth (Pvt. surface to top of layer, mm): 0
Traffic Load, Million ESAL: 100
Traffic Speed: Standing

Traffic Adjustment: None, SHRP, KMC, User Defined

Pavement Temperature and PG	HIGH	LOW
Design Air Temperature	30.5	-23.3
Design Pavement Temperature	54.8	-22.5
Adjustment for Traffic Speed	+ 12	
Adjustment for Traffic Loading	+ 12	
Adjusted Pavement Temperature	78.8	-22.5
Selected Binder Grade	82	-28

Note: Binder Grades higher than PG 76-xx should be further investigated

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BEFORE 2016 AC SPECIFICATION

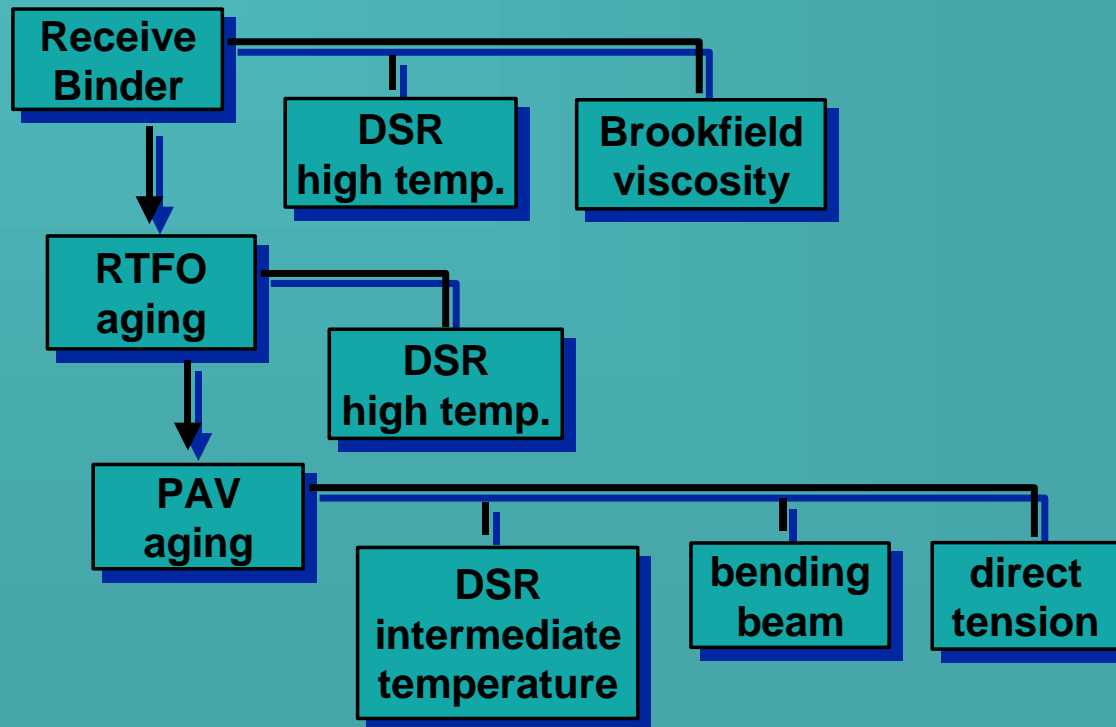
- Rotational Viscometer (Brookfield)
 - Is this material pumpable?
- Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR)
 - Strength properties at high temperatures
- Rolling Thin Film Oven (RTFO)
 - Simulates short term aging
- Pressure Aging Vessel (PAV)
 - Simulates long term aging
- Bending Beam Rheometer (BBR)
 - Flexibility properties at low temperatures
- Direct Tension Testing (DTT) (optional)





SUPERPAVE TESTING

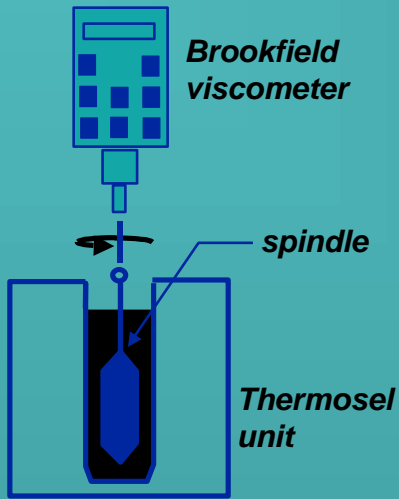
SHRP Binder Grading: Overview



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ROTATIONAL VISCOSITY

Rotational Viscosity



shear stress:

$$\tau = T / 2\pi R_s^2 L$$

shear strain rate:

$$\dot{\gamma} = \frac{2 R_c^2 \omega}{R_c^2 - R_b^2}$$

viscosity:

$$\eta = \tau / \dot{\gamma}$$



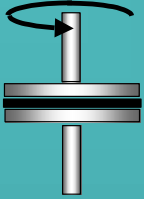


DYNAMIC SHEAR RHEOMETER (DSR)

- Measures strength properties of the asphalt cement at selected temperature
 - High Temperature Testing
 - Tests performed on Tank and RTFO aged asphalt cement
 - Tests performed at pavements high temperature
 - Results from both tests must meet minimum specifications
 - Determines rutting resistance
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DYNAMIC SHEAR RHEOMETER (DSR)

Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR)



complex modulus:

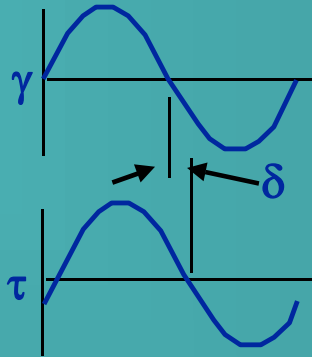
$$G^* = \tau_{\max} / \gamma_{\max}$$

loss modulus:

$$G'' = G^* \sin \delta$$

storage modulus:

$$G' = G^* \cos \delta$$



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Binder Aging Methods

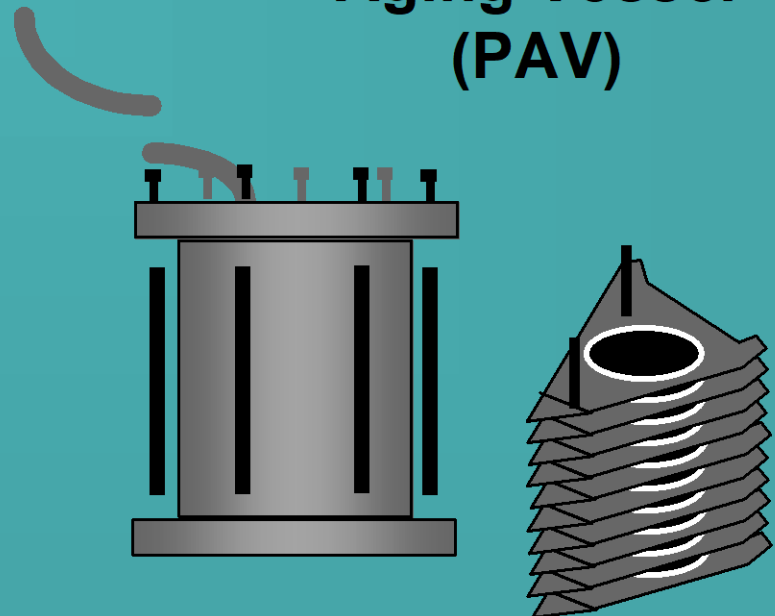
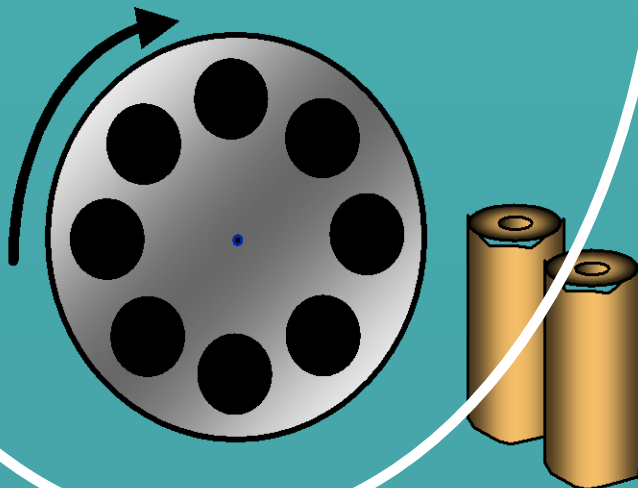
hot-mix
plant

3 to 6
months

2 to 5
years ?

Rolling
Thin Film
Oven (RTFO)

Pressure
Aging Vessel
(PAV)



Source: OHMPA



ROLLING THIN FILM OVEN (RTFO)

- Simulates the aging of the asphalt cement as it travels through the asphalt plant, mixed with aggregate and placed
 - Determines the stability of the asphalt cement when subjected to hot air
 - Asphalt cement is placed in glass bottles
 - Bottles are rotated @15 RPM, AC is spread thin
 - Hot air @ 163 C is blown into bottles
 - Mass loss is determined after 85 minutes in oven
 - Maximum allowable change in mass is +/- 1%
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ROLLING THIN FILM OVEN (RTFO)



Source: GAL

Binder Aging Methods

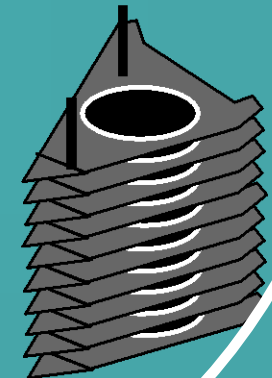
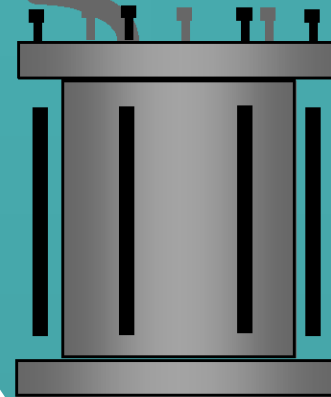
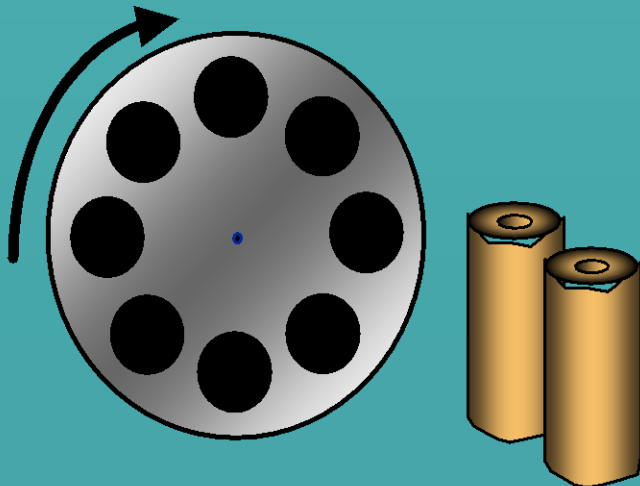
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PRESURRE AGING VESSEL (PAV)

- Simulates the aging of the asphalt cement over many in-service years
 - Asphalt cement is placed in pans
 - Test chamber is set to:
 - Pressure of 2070 kPa using compressed air
 - Temperature of 90, 100 or 110 C
 - Test is run for 20 hours
 - Entrapped voids may effect BBR test results
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PRESURE AGING VESSEL (PAV)

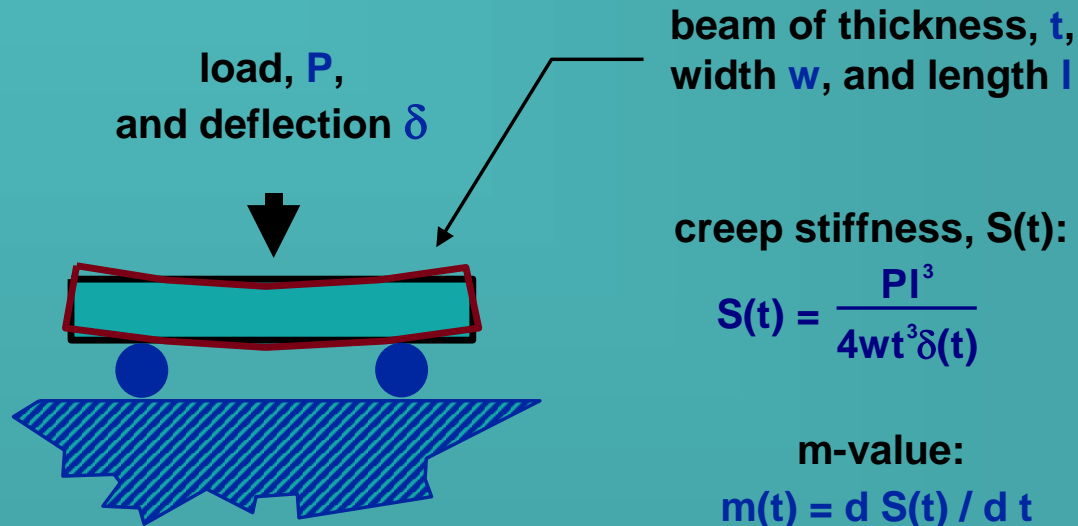


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BENDING BEAM RHEOMETER (BBR)

Bending Beam Rheometer (BBR)



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BENDING BEAM RHEOMETER (BBR)



Source: GAL



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- PGAC shall be according to AASHTO M 320 for the performance grade specified in Contract Documents

Table 1—Performance-Graded Asphalt Binder Specification

Performance Grade	PG 46			PG 52						PG 58					PG 64						
	34	40	46	10	16	22	28	34	40	46	16	22	28	34	40	10	16	22	28	34	40
Average 7-day max pavement design temp, °C ^a	<46			<52						<58					<64						
Min pavement design temperature, °C ^a	>-34	>-40	>-46	>-10	>-16	>-22	>-28	>-34	>-40	>-46	>-16	>-22	>-28	>-34	>-40	>-10	>-16	>-22	>-28	>-34	>-40
Original Binder																					
Flash point temp, T 48, min °C	230																				
Viscosity, T 316: ^b max 3 Pa·s, test temp, °C	135																				
Dynamic shear, T 315: ^c G*/sinδ, ^d min 1.00 kPa test temp @ 10 rad/s, °C	46			52						58					64						
Rolling Thin-Film Oven Residue (T 240)																					
Mass change, ^e max, percent	1.00																				
Dynamic shear, T 315: G*/sinδ, ^d min 2.20 kPa test temp @ 10 rad/s, °C	46			52						58					64						
Pressurized Aging Vessel Residue (R 28)																					
PAV aging temperature, °C ^f	90			90						100					100						
Dynamic shear, T 315: G* sinδ, ^d max 5000 kPa test temp @ 10 rad/s, °C	10	7	4	25	22	19	16	13	10	7	25	22	19	16	13	31	28	25	22	19	16
Creep stiffness, T 313: ^g S, max 300 MPa m-value, min 0.300 test temp @ 60 s, °C	-24	-30	-36	0	-6	-12	-18	-24	-30	-36	-6	-12	-18	-24	-30	0	-6	-12	-18	-24	-30
Direct tension, T 314: ^h Failure strain, min 1.0% test temp @ 1.0 mm/min, °C	-24	-30	-36	0	-6	-12	-18	-24	-30	-36	-6	-12	-18	-24	-30	0	-6	-12	-18	-24	-30

^a Pavement temperatures are estimated from air temperatures using an algorithm contained in the LTPP Bind program, may be provided by the specifying agency, or by following the procedures as outlined in M 323 and R 35.

^b This requirement may be waived at the discretion of the specifying agency if the supplier warrants that the asphalt binder can be adequately pumped and mixed at temperatures that meet all applicable safety standards.

^c For quality control of unmodified asphalt binder production, measurement of the viscosity of the original asphalt binder may be used to supplement dynamic shear measurements of G*/sinδ at test temperatures where the asphalt is a Newtonian fluid.

^d G*/sinδ = high temperature stiffness and G* sinδ = intermediate temperature stiffness.

^e The mass change shall be less than 1.00 percent for either a positive (mass gain) or a negative (mass loss) change.

^f The PAV aging temperature is based on simulated climatic conditions and is one of three temperatures, 90°C, 100°C, or 110°C. Normally the PAV aging temperature is 100°C for PG 58-xx and above. However, in desert climates, the PAV aging temperature for PG 70-xx and above may be specified as 110°C.

^g If the creep stiffness is below 300 MPa, the direct tension test is not required. If the creep stiffness is between 300 and 600 MPa, the direct tension failure strain requirement can be used in lieu of the creep stiffness requirement. The m-value requirement must be satisfied in both cases.

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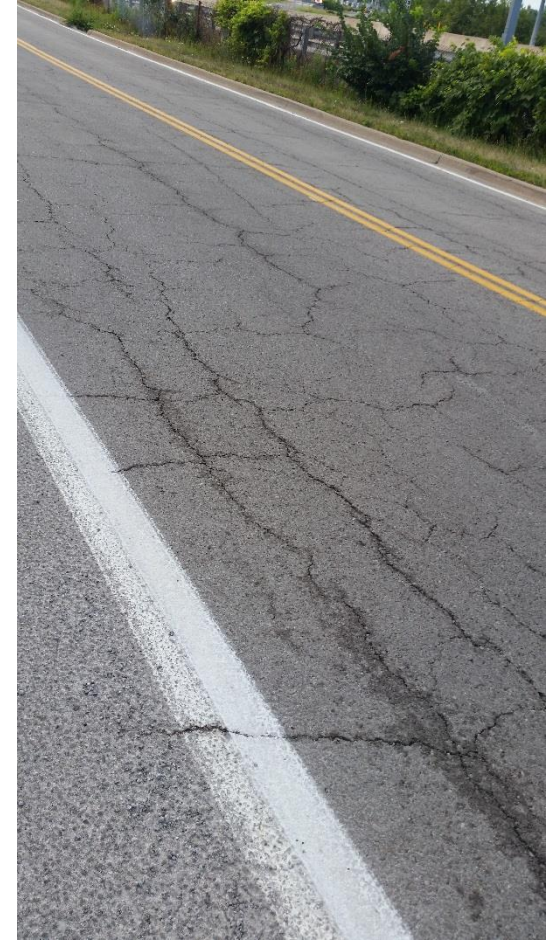
M 320-4

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PREMATURE PAVEMENT CRACKING



Pavement in 2015 and 2018



FAILURE INVESTIGATION

- Extensive premature cracking of municipal, airport and industrial pavements
- Quality Control/Quality Assurance results review
 - All pavements met project specification requirements
- Laboratory testing
 - Superpave (Region No.1) and Marshall (Region No. 2) mixes – volumetric requirements met
 - Focus on asphalt cement testing
 - Conventional PGAC testing required in project specification



ASPHALT PAVEMENT QUALITY

OHMPA 2015/2016 AP Quality Task Force

- Suppliers, contractors, MTO, municipalities, academia, consultants
- Four bulletins
 - Asphalt pavement issues, additional AC testing, increase AC content, responsible use of RAP
- Research
 - Professor Simon Hesp
 - MTO
 - Industry - suppliers



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ONTARIO
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SPECIFICATION

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MATERIAL SPECIFICATION FOR PERFORMANCE GRADED ASPHALT CEMENT

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1101.01 SCOPE

This specification covers the requirements for the properties and use of performance graded asphalt cements.

1101.01.01 Specification Significance and Use

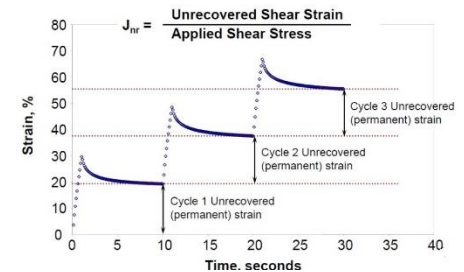
This specification is written as a municipal-oriented specification. Municipal-oriented specifications are developed to reflect the administration, testing, and payment policies, procedures, and practices of many municipalities in Ontario.

Use of this specification or any other specification shall be according to the Contract Documents.



ADDITIONAL AC TESTING IN ONTARIO

- LS-227 Determination of Ash Content
- LS-299 Determining Asphalt Cement's Resistance to Ductile Failure Using Double Edge Notched Tension (DENT)
- LS-308 Determination of Performance Grade of Physically Aged Asphalt Cement Using Extended Bending Beam Rheometer (BBR) Method
 - Low Temperature Limiting Grade (LTLG)
 - Grade Loss
- Multiple Stress Creep Recovery (MSCR)





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**Table 1
Additional Asphalt Cement Testing Requirements and Acceptance Criteria for All PG Grades**

PGAC Grade	Property and Attributes (Unit)		Test Method	Results Reported Rounded to the Nearest	Acceptance Criteria	Rejectable
All PGAC Grades	Ash Content, % by mass of residue (%)	PG XX-28	LS-227	0.1	≤ 0.6	> 0.6
		PG XX-34			≤ 0.6	> 0.6
		PG XX-40			≤ 0.6	> 0.6
All PGAC Grades Except PG 58-28 and PG 52-34	Low temperature limiting grade (LTLG) ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)		LS-308	0.5	$\leq (-YY + 3)$	$> (-YY + 3)$
	Grade Loss ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)		LS-308	0.5	≤ 6.0	> 6.0
	Non-recoverable creep compliance at 3.2 kPa ($J_{nr-3.2}$) (kPa^{-1})		AASHTO T 350 For testing temperature see Note 1	0.01	≤ 4.5	> 4.5
	Average percent recovery at 3.2 kPa ($R_{3.2}$) (%)					
	CTOD, δ_t (mm)	PG XX-28	LS-299	0.1	≥ 8.0	< 8.0
PG XX-34		≥ 12.0			< 12.0	
PG XX-40		≥ 16.0			< 16.0	
Notes: 1. The testing temperature shall be 52°C for PGAC Zone 1 and 58°C for PGAC Zones 2 and 3.						



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The asphalt cement shall not contain any of the following additives added for PGAC modification: atactic polypropylene; carbon black; polyisobutylene; polyisoprene; natural rubber; alkaline bases; insoluble particulates or fibres; salts of iron, copper, manganese and/or cobalt; silicates; styrene-butadiene rubber (random copolymer latex); synthetic waxes (paraffin waxes, naphthenic waxes); synthetic and saturated oils (including but not limited to the following: vegetable oils or modified vegetable oils; (paraffin oils, polyalphaolefins (PAO), lube oils, and re-refined lube oils.); **waste oils** (including but not limited to the following: cracked residues, re-refined high vacuum distillate oils; tall oils, vacuum tower asphalt extenders; waste cooking oils, **waste engine oils, waste engine oil residues**). Asphalt cement supplier shall declare in writing that they have not added the PGAC additives listed above.

If modifiers or additives other than styrene-butadiene (e.g., SB diblock, SBS triblock, SBS radial, SBS high vinyl, SB tapered, etc.) or epoxy-type (e.g. reactive elastomeric terpolymers) polymers are used for the modification of neat asphalt cement, pre-approval from the Owner is required.



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Appendix Table A-1
OPSS 1101 - Grade Selection for Ontario

	PGAC Zones		
	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3
New Hot Mix or up to 15% RAP by Mass	52 - 34	58 - 34	58 - 28

Appendix Table A-2
OPSS 1101 - Guidelines for the Adjustment of PGAC High Temperature Grade Based on Roadway Classification and Traffic Conditions

Highway Type	Increase from Standard	Optional Additional Grade Increase (Note 1)
Urban Freeway	2 Grades	N/A
Rural Freeway Urban Arterial	1 Grade	1 Grade
Rural Arterial Urban Collector	Consider increasing by 1 grade if heavy truck traffic is greater than 20% of AADT	1 Grade
Rural Collector Rural Local Urban/Suburban Collector	No Change	1 or 2 Grades
<p>Notes:</p> <p>A. Upgrading of the high temperature grade is recommended for use in both surface and top binder courses, i.e., top 80 to 100 mm of hot mix.</p> <p>B. Alternatively, Multiple Stress Creep Recovery (MSCR) graded PGAC acceptance criteria, according to Appendix B and Appendix Table A-3, can be used.</p> <p>1. Consideration should be given to an increase in the high temperature grade for roadways which experience a high percentage of heavy truck or bus traffic at slow operating speeds, frequent stops and starts, and historical concerns with instability rutting.</p>		



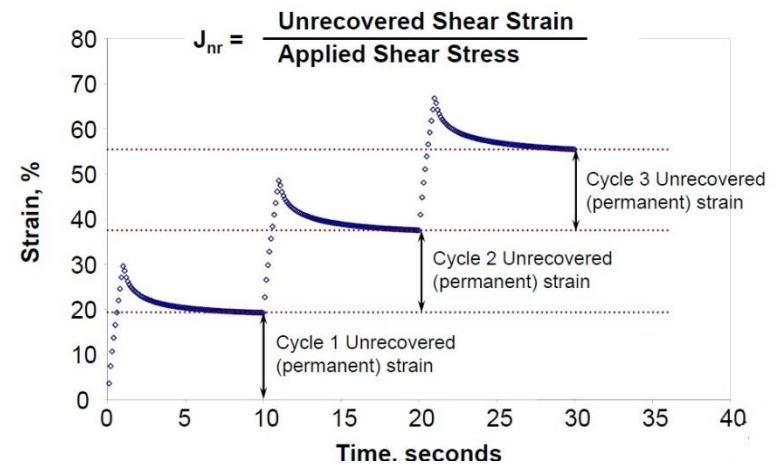
MSCR

- Multiple Stress Creep Recovery (MSCR)
- AASHTO T 350-14 – Standard Method for Multiple Creep Recovery (MSCR) Test of Asphalt Binder Using Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR)
- AASHTO M 332-14 Standard - Standard Specification for Performance-Graded Asphalt Binder Using MSCR
- The present test methods for AC grading do not adequately characterize rutting or polymer modification of asphalts (PMA)
- The current PG system (AASHTO M-320) is “blind” to modification and requires PG plus tests such as Elastic Recovery to characterize PMA binders



MSCR

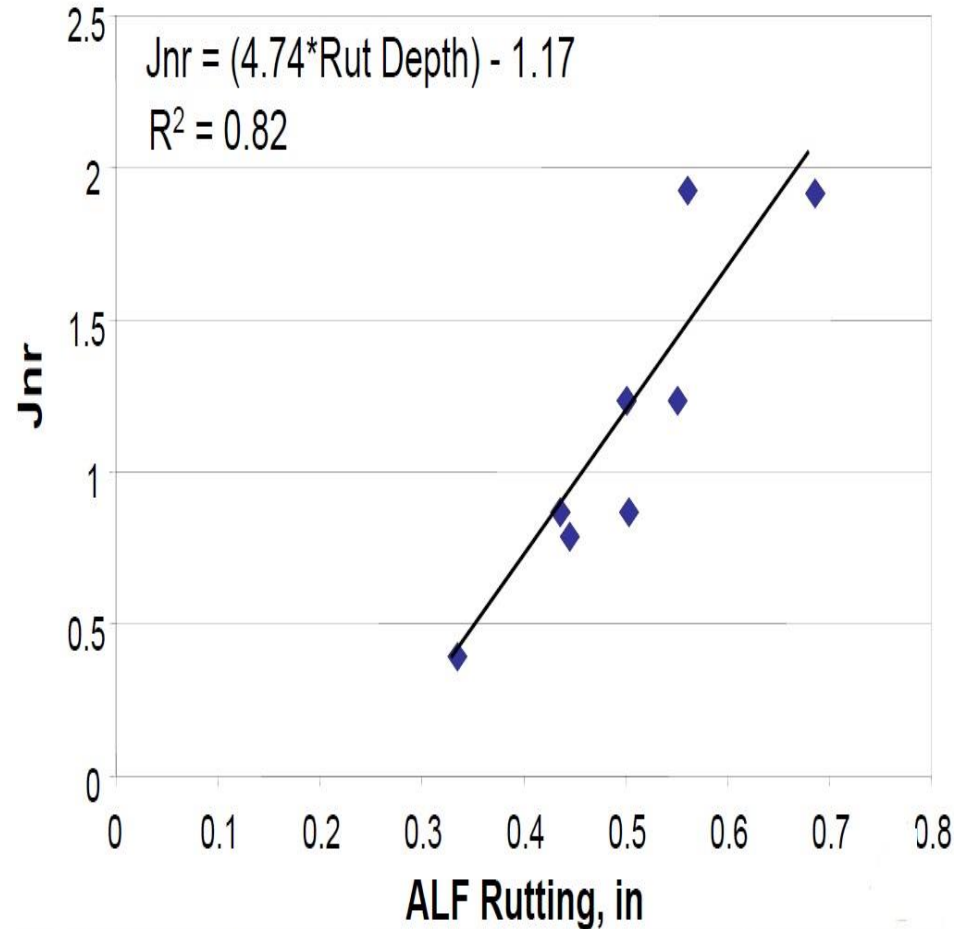
- Uses Dynamic Shear Rheometer (DSR)
- Runs the sample 10 times. Load and relax.
- $J_{nr3.2}$ – Nonrecoverable creep compliance for 10 cycles at a creep stress of 3.2 kPa
- $J_{nr3.2}$ – $S < 4.5$, $H < 2$, $V < 1$, $E < 0.5$
- % Average Recovery at a creep stress of 3.2 kPa





MSCR

- $J_{rn3.2}$ correlates well with observed rutting
- $J_{nr3.2}$ works with modified and non-modified binders





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Appendix Table A-3

OPSS 1101 - Guidelines for the Selection of PGAC Graded Using Multiple Stress Creep Recovery (MSCR) Test When Invoking Appendix "B" Based on Roadway Classification and Traffic Conditions

Highway Type	Recommended PGAC Grade Using MSCR Test	Optional Grade Increase (Note 1)
Urban Freeway	XXV-YY	N/A
Rural Freeway Urban Arterial	XXH-YY	XXV-YY
Rural Arterial Urban Collector	Consider specifying XXH-YY if heavy truck traffic is greater than 20% of AADT	XXV-YY
Rural Collector Rural Local Urban/Suburban Collector	XXS-YY	XXH-YY or XXV-YY
Toll Plaza Port Facility Dedicated Transitways Truck Marshaling Yards (standing traffic)	XXE-YY	N/A
<p>Notes:</p> <p>A. It is recommended that Multiple Stress Creep Recovery (MSCR) graded PGAC is used in both surface and top binder courses, i.e., top 80 to 100 mm of hot mix.</p> <p>1. Consideration should be given to an increase in the high temperature traffic level for roadways which experience a high percentage of heavy truck or bus traffic at slow operating speeds, frequent stops and starts, and historical concerns with instability rutting.</p>		



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Appendix B Table -1
Additional Asphalt Cement Testing Requirements and Acceptance Criteria for All PG Grades

	Property and Attributes (Unit)		Test Method	Results Reported Rounded to the Nearest	Acceptance Criteria	Rejectable
All PGAC Grades	Ash Content, % by mass of residue (%)	for -YY = -28	LS-227	0.1	≤ 0.6	> 0.6
		for -YY = -34			≤ 0.6	> 0.6
		for -YY = -40			≤ 0.6	> 0.6
	Non-recoverable creep compliance at 3.2 kPa ($J_{nr3.2}$) (kPa^{-1}) when PGAC XXS-YY is specified		AASHTO T 350 testing conducted at high temperature grade of the PGAC (Note 1)	0.01	≤ 4.5	> 4.5
	Non-recoverable creep compliance at 3.2 kPa ($J_{nr3.2}$) (kPa^{-1}) when PGAC XXH-YY is specified			0.01	≤ 2.0	> 2.0
Non-recoverable creep compliance at 3.2 kPa ($J_{nr3.2}$) (kPa^{-1}) when PGAC XXV-YY is specified		0.01		≤ 1.0	> 1.0	
Non-recoverable creep compliance at 3.2 kPa ($J_{nr3.2}$) (kPa^{-1}) when PGAC XXE-YY is specified		0.01		≤ 0.55	> 0.55	
Average percent recovery at 3.2 kPa ($R_{3.2}$) (%)		0.1		≥ the lesser of $\left[\frac{(29.371)}{0.2633} (J_{nr3.2}) \right]$ or 50	< the lesser of $\left[\frac{(29.371)}{10} (J_{nr3.2})^{0.2633} \right]$ or 50	
All H, V and E Grades	Percent difference in non-recoverable creep compliance between 0.1 kPa and 3.2 kPa, J_{nrdiff} (%)		0.1	N/A Testing carried out for information purpose		
All PGAC Grades Excluding PG 58S-28 and PG 52S-34	CTOD, δ_t (mm)	for -YY = -28	LS-299	0.1	≥ 8.0	< 8.0
		for -YY = -34			≥ 12.0	< 12.0
		for -YY = -40			≥ 16.0	< 16.0
	Low temperature limiting grade (LTLG) (°C)		LS-308	0.5	≤ (-YY + 3)	> (-YY + 3)
Grade Loss (°C)		LS-308	0.5	≤ 6.0	> 6.0	
Notes:						
1. For example, the testing temperature for PG58V-28 is 58°C and for 52H-34 it is 52°C.						



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SPECIFICATIONS ONTARIO

TESTS ON ORIGINAL ASPHALT	no AS	0.5 % AS	1.0 % AS	SPEC
Brookfield Viscosity, 135°C, Pa.s	0.960	0.955	0.950	3.0 max
Flash Point, COC, °C	230+	230+	230+	230 min
G*/sin(δ), 64 °C, kPa	1.51	1.50	1.50	1.0 min
Ash Content, % mass	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.8 max
TESTS ON RTFO RESIDUE				
Mass Change, %	-0.315	-0.326	-0.328	1.0 max
G*/sin(δ), 64 °C, kPa	2.34	2.30	2.32	2.2 min
MSCR Jnr, 3.2 kPa, 1/kPa 58°C	0.31	0.32	0.32	4.5 max
MSCR Recovery, 3.2 kPa, % 58°C	78.10	76.16	76.87	cond.
MSCR Percent Jnr-difference., 58°C	42.0	42.5	43.5	N/A
TESTS ON PAV RESIDUE (AFTER RTFO)				
G*x sin(δ), 22 °C, kPa	1280	1278	1276	5000 max
BBR, Cr. Stiffness, -18 °C, MPa	124	125	125	300 max
BBR m-value, -18 °C	0.360	0.357	0.359	0.300 min
EBBR LTLG, °C	-28.4	-28.4	-28.4	-28.0 max
EBBR Grade Loss, °C	4.1	4.1	4.1	6.0 max
DENT CTOD, 15°C, mm	11.100	11.200	11.100	10 min

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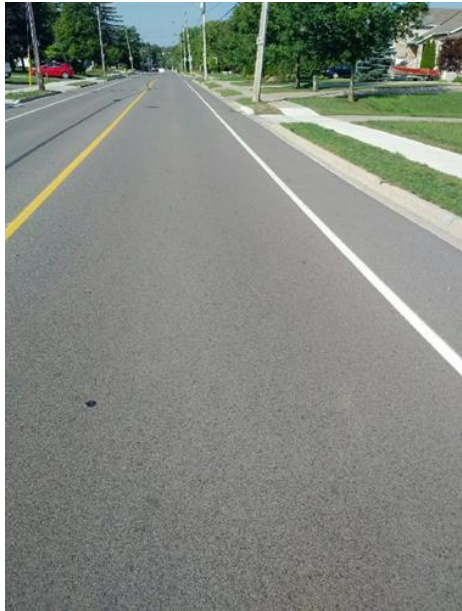
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Municipalities 1 to 4

- Contractors had no issues obtaining the specified PG grade and did not identify any constructability issues related to the PGAC and new paving specification. No complaints about the new 2016 specification
- Recently placed pavements look good and all are performing well
- The specifications were met with no issues



MUNICIPAL EXPERIENCE





ASPHALT CEMENT NOMENCLATURE



Asphalt Cement Supplier Members of the Ontario Asphalt Pavement Council (OAPC) met on February 2nd, 2018 to discuss standardizing the nomenclature of common Asphalt Cement (AC) grades currently being specified in Ontario. OAPC is a council of the Ontario Road Builders Association (ORBA).

While the OAPC/ORBA and The Asphalt Institute fully support the implementation of AASHTO M-332 Multiple Stress Creep Recovery (MSCR) grading for all AC used in Ontario, we are aware of the confusion among AC suppliers, Hot Mix Producers and user agencies with regard to the different names used to designate the various grades. Because of the large number of different specifications being used at this time it is impractical to develop a system that will encompass them all, so it was decided to address the more common specifications. Individual suppliers may use their own unique names for grades meeting specifications other than those addressed below.

In consideration of these issues, the following was established and will be implemented by suppliers as of March 1st, 2018. While not all binder specifications may fall in one of these categories, it is hoped that most will.

Please see the back of this sheet to review nomenclature guidelines for AC Grades.



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“Standard” AASHTO M-320 grades will continue to be designated as “PG XX-YY”.

AASHTO M-332 (MSCR) will continue to be designated as “PG XXS-YY”, “PG XXH-YY”, “PG XXV-YY”, “PG XXE-YY”.

M-320 grades with the “PG Plus” requirements Extended BBR (LS-308), DENT (LS-299) and MSCR % Recovery will bear the suffix “X”.

M-320 or M-332 grades to which the supplier has not added any of the banned additives in the list found in many current Municipal specifications will bear the suffix “J”.

Examples of grade designations under this system are provided below;

64-28	Meets AASHTO M-320
58V-28	Meets AASHTO M-332
64-28X	Meets AASHTO M-320, Extended BBR at -YY, DENT and MSCR % Recovery.
58-34XJ	Meets AASHTO M-320, Extended BBR at -YY, DENT and MSCR % Recovery, supplier has not added any of the materials from the banned additives list.
52-34J	Meets AASHTO M-320, supplier has not added any of the materials from the banned additives list.
58V-28X	Meets AASHTO M-332, Extended BBR at -YY, DENT and MSCR % Recovery.
58H-28J	Meets AASHTO M-332, supplier has not added any of the materials from the banned additives list.

ORBA, OAPC and the Asphalt Institute strongly recommend that specifications be unified and we encourage owner agencies to adopt this product naming in their Contract Documents. We recommend that any questions about this issue to be directed to OAPC or Ontario Asphalt Cement suppliers.



SUMMARY

- Early pavement cracking observed on municipal roads before 2015
- OPSS.MUNI Nov 2016
 - Asphalt cement modification limitations
 - New testing required
- Higher asphalt cement content
- Tighter construction requirements
- Slightly higher cost (\$3.0 to \$5.0 per tonne of mix)
- No significant construction problems with new specifications observed
- Much better pavement appearance, no distresses
- New cement nomenclature
- Municipalities appreciate industry's positive response!



Thank You

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