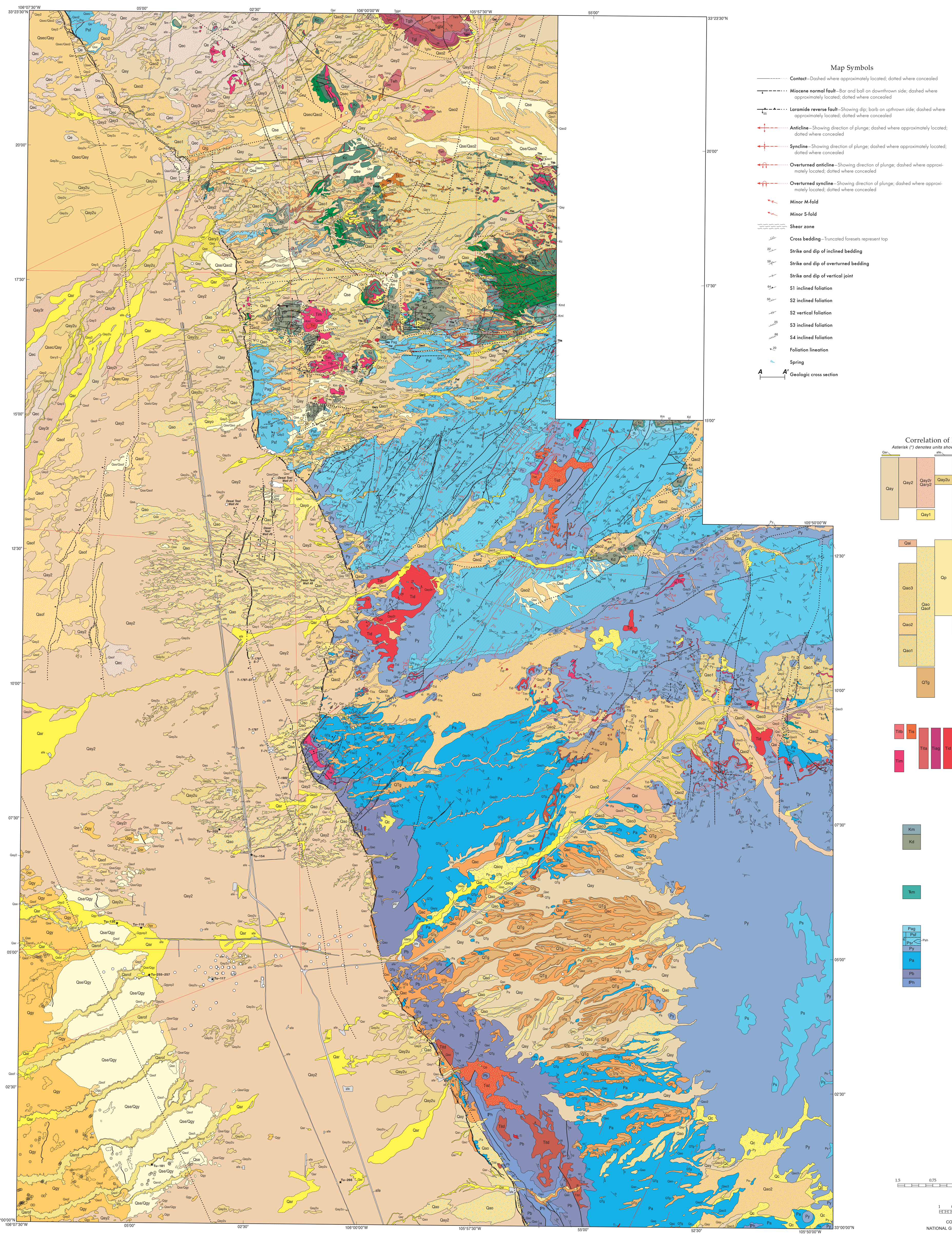
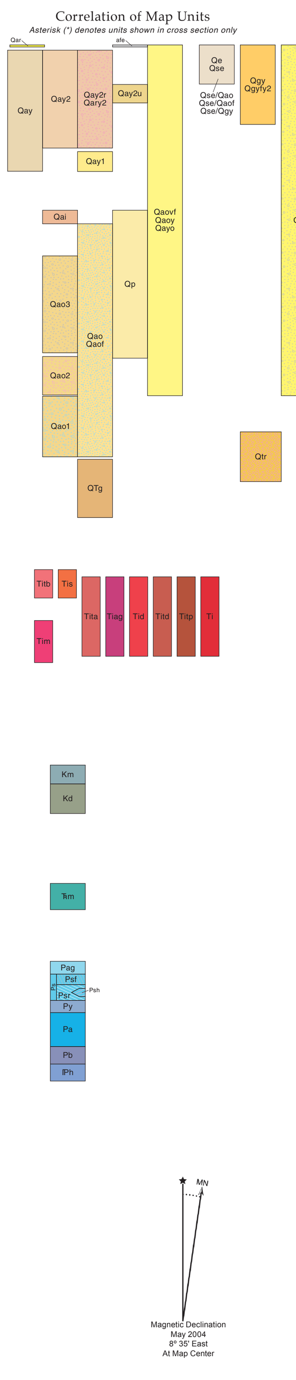


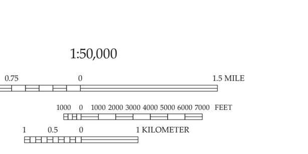
Map Symbols

- **Contact**—Dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed
- **Miocene normal fault**—Bar and ball on downthrown side; dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed
- **Laramide reverse fault**—Showing dip; barb on upthrown side; dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed
- **Anticline**—Showing direction of plunge; dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed
- **Syncline**—Showing direction of plunge; dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed
- **Overturned anticline**—Showing direction of plunge; dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed
- **Overturned syncline**—Showing direction of plunge; dashed where approximately located; dotted where concealed
- **Minor M-fold**
- **Minor S-fold**
- **Shear zone**
- **Cross bedding**—Truncated foresets represent top
- **Strike and dip of inclined bedding**
- **Strike and dip of overturned bedding**
- **Strike and dip of vertical joint**
- **S1 inclined foliation**
- **S2 inclined foliation**
- **S2 vertical foliation**
- **S3 inclined foliation**
- **S4 inclined foliation**
- **Foliation lineation**
- **Spring**
- **Geologic cross section**

Correlation of Map Units

Asterisk (*) denotes units shown in cross section only





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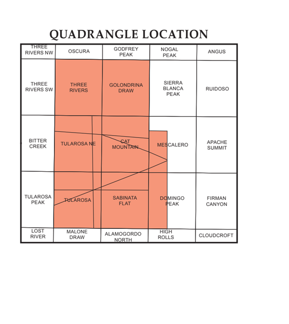

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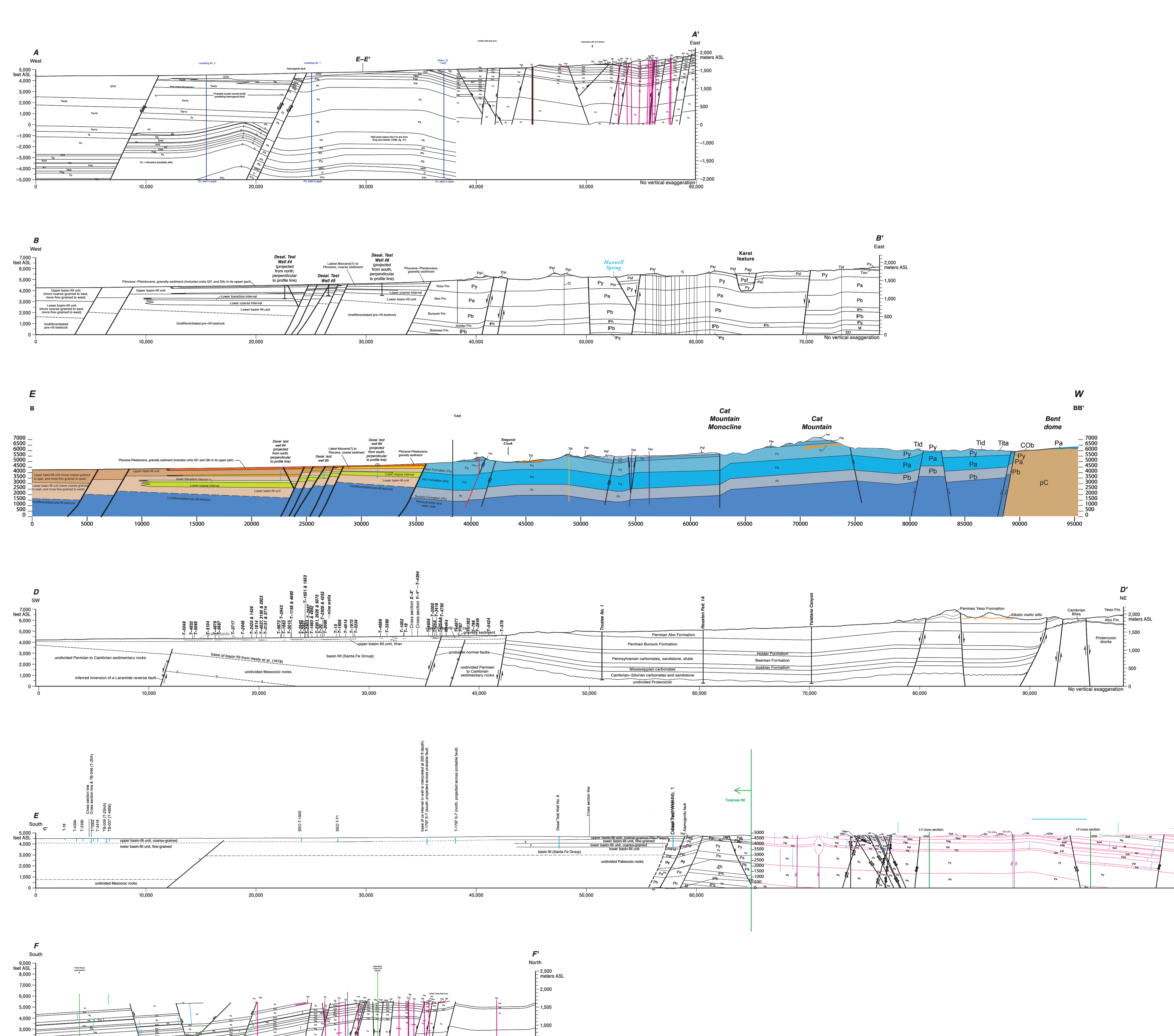

Description of Map Units

Quaternary–Pliocene Units

TERRACE AND PEDIMENT DEPOSITS

Diorite (Proterozoic?)—Exposed on the Bent dome. Gray, porphyritic plutonic rock with a medium-grained matrix of alkali feldspar, plagioclase, and altered hornblende, pyroxene, and biotite (Bauer and Lozinsky, 1991).

Granite (Proterozoic?)—Exposed on the Bent dome. Red, coarse-grained plutonic rock with alkali feldspar, plagioclase, quartz, biotite, and opaque minerals (Bauer and Lozinsky, 1991).

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