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Inverse systems approach to design Secure Random Communication Systems



AI and ML for scientific applications through secure communications for 5G/6G

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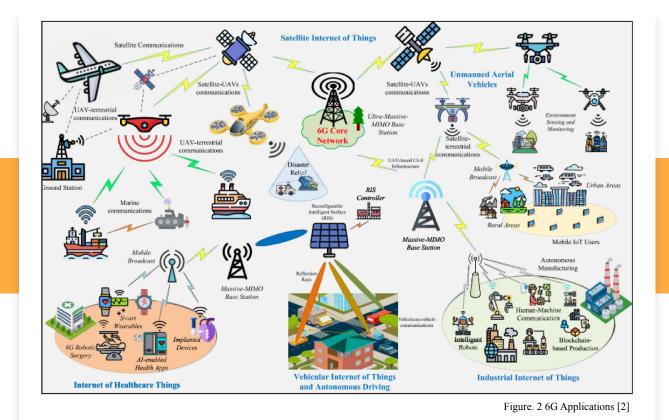


Introduction 5G

•Fifth Generation (5G) Overview:

- Current generation wireless technology.
- Massive machine type of communications (mMTC)
- Ultra-reliable low-latency communications (URLLC)
- Internet of Things (IoT)
 - Communication of connected devices.
 - Facilitates smart homes.
- Augmented and Virtual Reality (AR/VR)
 - Enhances user experiences with immersive technologies.
 - AR/VR applications.
- Autonomous Vehicles
- Enhanced Mobile Broadband





Introduction - 6G

Not just about connectivity -

but about fostering deeper, more meaningful and intelligent interactions in an increasingly Digital world

Introduction – 6G Applications and Security

Communication Revolution with 6G (IoNT) speed and connectivity.

Personalized Medicine & Healthcare Advancements :

- Health Monitoring: real-time health monitoring through high-speed, low-latency connections.
- Improved telemedicine and remote patient monitoring
- **Remote Healthcare:** Patient monitoring and virtual consultations, transforming healthcare delivery.
- Data Precision for personalized treatment plans.

Autonomous Systems:

- Empowering autonomous vehicles, drones, robots
- Precision navigation and coordination

Smart Cities and Infrastructure:

- Smart city applications, energy and traffic
- Intelligent infrastructure

Climate Research & Environmental Monitoring:

- Advanced environmental monitoring, climate change research and disaster management.
- **Real-time data collection** for proactive measures in preserving and sustaining the environment.

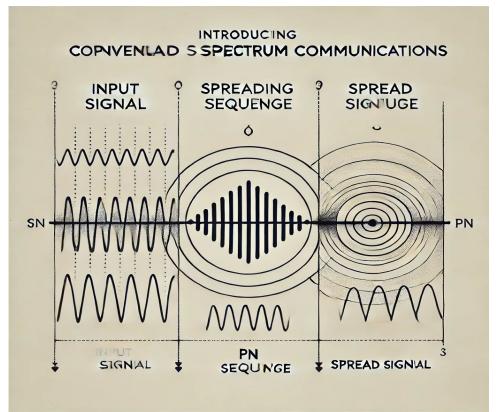
Security and Surveillance:

- Enhanced security systems with real-time data analytics and monitoring.
- Improved surveillance

Innovations in Agriculture:

- **Precision agriculture** IoNT devices and sensors connected via 6G.
- Monitoring and controlling agricultural processes

Current Conventional Security Mechanisms



Spread Spectrum is a technique where the signal is spread across a wider bandwidth using a spreading code [3]

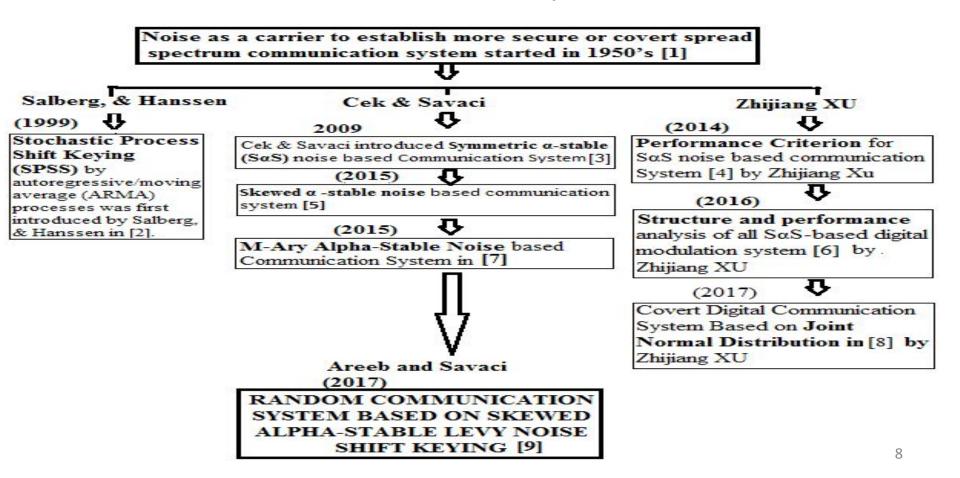
Types of Spread Spectrum:

- Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS)
- Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum (FHSS)

Key Benefits:

- Resistance to interference
- Improved security
- Multipath fading mitigation

Unconventional Security Mechanisms



Random Communication System (RCS) based on Alpha-stable Noise

 α -Stable distribution does not have closed form density function and is expressed by characteristic function:

$$\phi_{stable}\left(t;\alpha,\sigma,\beta,\mu\right) = E\left[e^{itX}\right]$$
$$= \begin{cases} \exp\left(i\mu t - |\sigma t|^{\alpha}\left(1 - i\beta\left(\operatorname{sign} t\right)\tan\frac{\pi\alpha}{2}\right)\right) & \alpha \neq 1\\ \exp\left(i\mu t - \sigma\left|t\right|\left(1 + i\beta\frac{2}{\pi}\left(\operatorname{sign} t\right)\ln\left|t\right|\right)\right) & \alpha = 1 \end{cases}$$

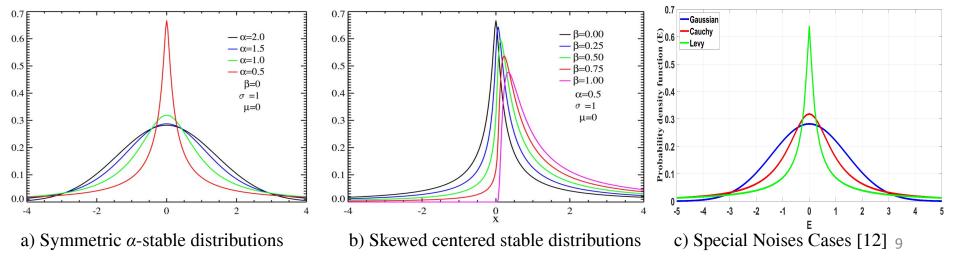
where

sign $t = \begin{cases} 1, & t > 0 \\ 0, & t = 0 \\ -1, & t < 0 \end{cases}$

Alpha-stable distribution

Four related parameters are:

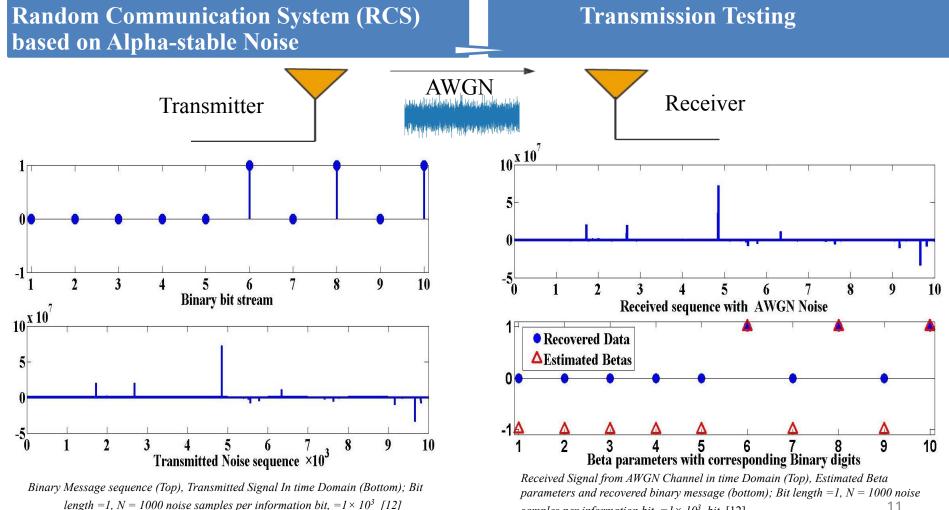
- α : the index of stability or the shape parameter, $\alpha \in (0,2)$
- β : the skewness parameter, $\beta \in [-1,1]$
- σ : the scale parameter, $\sigma \in (0, +\infty)$
- μ : the location parameter, $\mu \in (-\infty, +\infty)$



Random Communication System (RCS) based on Alpha-stable Noise

Proposed RCS Model

The method proceeds by subdividing the The random variable received data $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N\}$ in duration $S_{x}(\alpha,\beta,\sigma,\mu)$ Bit '0' consisting of N samples into L non $X_0 \sim S\alpha (\beta_0, r, \mu)$ is used to noise generator overlapping segments of length K. code message signal '0' and 1 s(t) $Y_{lmax} = log \{ max(x_{lK-K+i} | i \in 1, 2, ..., K) \}$ Channel $S_{\alpha}(\alpha, -\beta, \sigma, \mu)$ Bit '1' $\mathbf{X}_1 \sim S\alpha \left(\boldsymbol{\beta}_L \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu} \right)$ where $\boldsymbol{\beta}_L$ noise generator $Y_{lmin} = log \{-min(x_{lK-K+i} | i \in 1, 2, ..., K)\}$ - β_0 is used for code message signal '1' $\int x(t)$ $Y_{max} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{l=1}^{L} Y_{lmax};$ Bernoulli random binary generator Demodulation Estimator (p=1/2)Modulation $Y_{min} = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{l=1}^{L} Y_{lmin} ;$ Estimated binary $s_{max}^2 = \frac{1}{L-1} \sum_{l=1}^{L} (Y_{lmax} - Y_{max})^2$ message Hard BER decision $s_{min}^2 = \frac{1}{L-1} \sum_{l=1}^{L} (Y_{lmin} - Y_{min})^2$ Most Optimised Model [12] Transmitter $\hat{\beta} = 1 - \frac{2}{\exp\left(\hat{\alpha}(S_{max} - S_{min})\right)} \qquad \text{Where} \quad \hat{\alpha} = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{6}} \left(\frac{1}{Y_{max}} + \frac{1}{Y_{min}}\right)$



samples per information bit, $=1 \times 10^3$ bit [12]

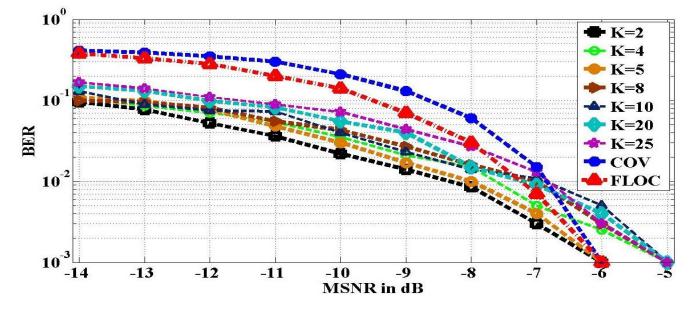
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Random Communication System (RCS) based on Alpha-stable Noise

Performance Analysis

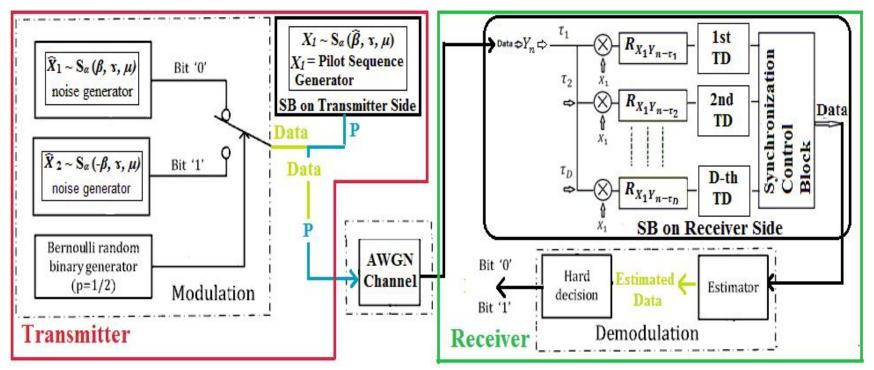
 $MSNR_{dB} = 10\log\frac{\gamma}{\gamma_c}$

Where \bigvee and \bigvee_{G} are the dispersion parameters of the information bearing α -stable random signal and channel noise [7].



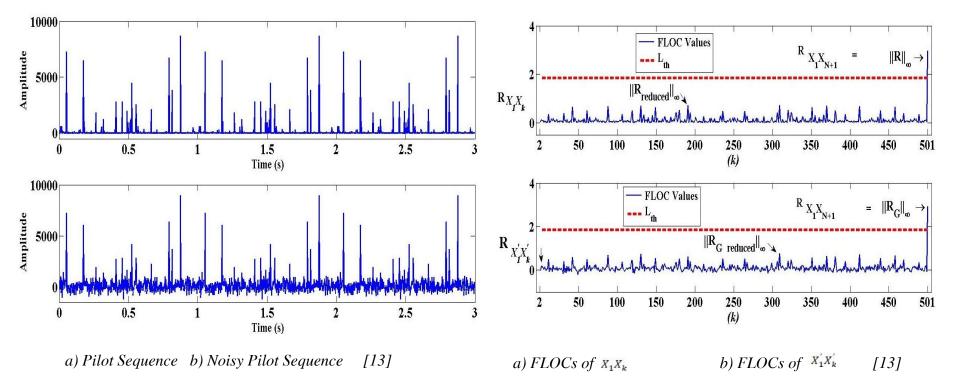
BER vs. MSNR (dB) with different 'L and K' of estimator in AWGN channel; where = 1.5; (Where $\beta_1 = -\beta_0 = 1$) [12]

Proposed RCS Model



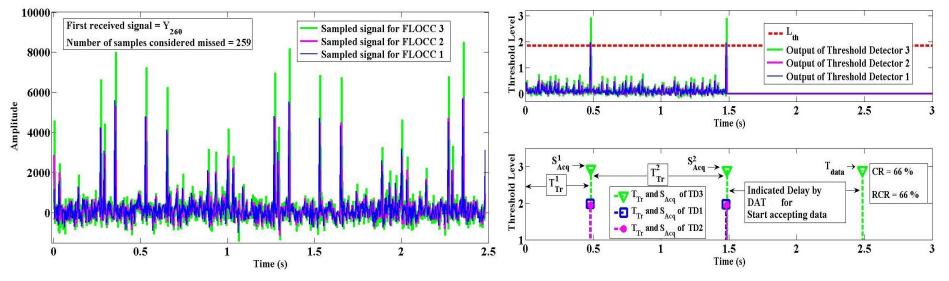
Block diagram of the RCS based on α -stable Levy noise along with the proposed Synchronization Blocks on Transmitter and Receiver side [13]

Transmitter Testing



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Receiver Testing

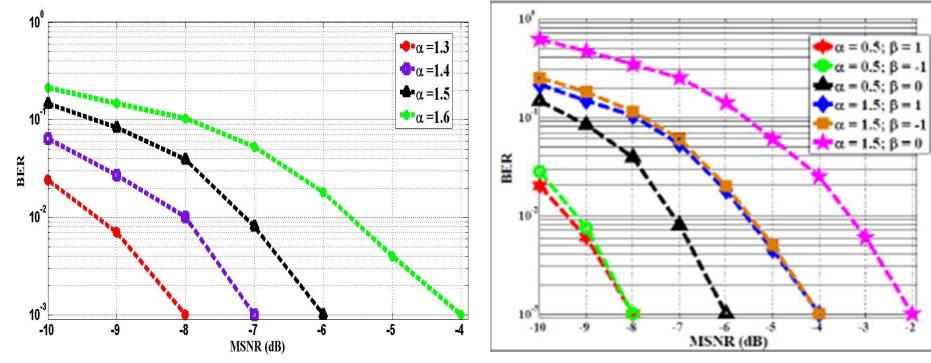


Received signals Y_n through AWGN channel [13].

a) Output of Threshold Detectorsb) Output of Synchronization Control block [13]

BER vs. MSNR for different characteristic exponents 'a' [13]

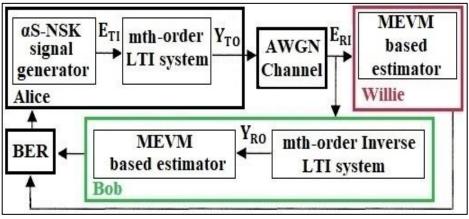
Performance Analysis



BER vs. MSNR for different characteristic exponents 'a' & ' β ' [13]

Inverse System Approach to design Secure RCS

Model and Initial Testing



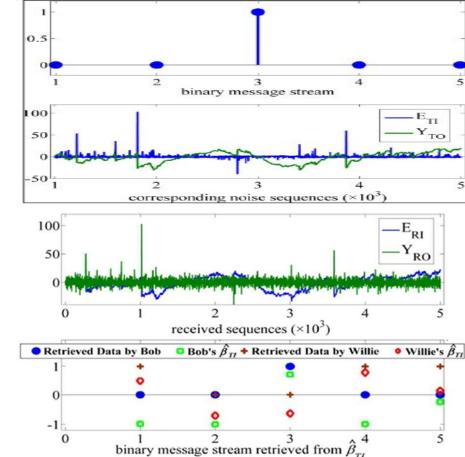
 $\mathcal{R} = [A B C D];$

where $A \in R^{m \times m}$, $B \in R^{m \times p}$, $C \in R^{q \times m}$ and $D \in R^{q \times p}$. In the proposed RCS, we have chosen the representation

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.98 & -0.01 \\ -0.01 & 0.98 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} -0.06 \\ 2.19 \end{bmatrix},$$

C = [0 -0.16], and D = [-0.33]

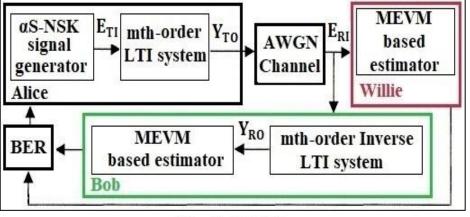
$$\mathcal{R}_I = [A - BD^{-1}C \quad BD^{-1} \quad -D^{-1}C \quad D^{-1}].$$



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Inverse System Approach to design Secure RCS

Performance Analysis

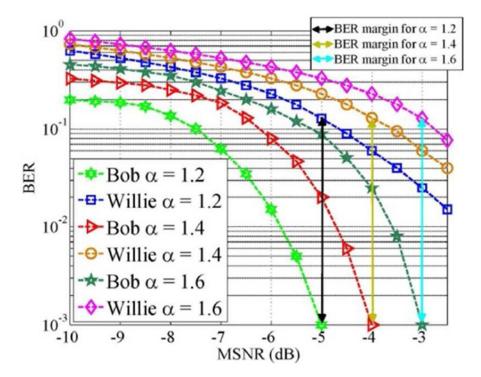


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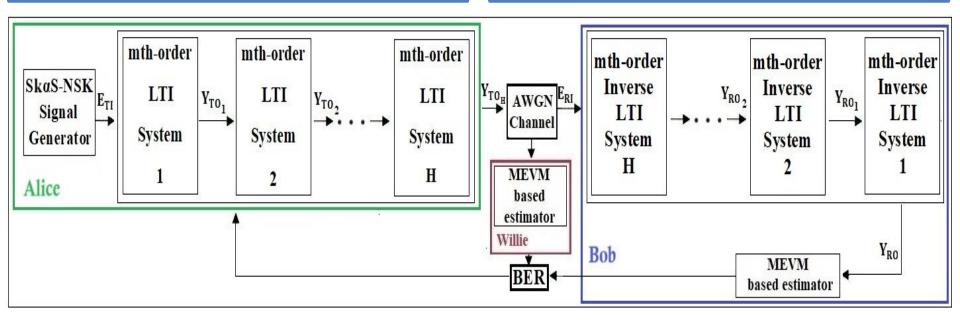
$$\mathcal{R}_I = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{C} & \mathbf{B}\mathbf{D}^{-1} & -\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{C} & \mathbf{D}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$



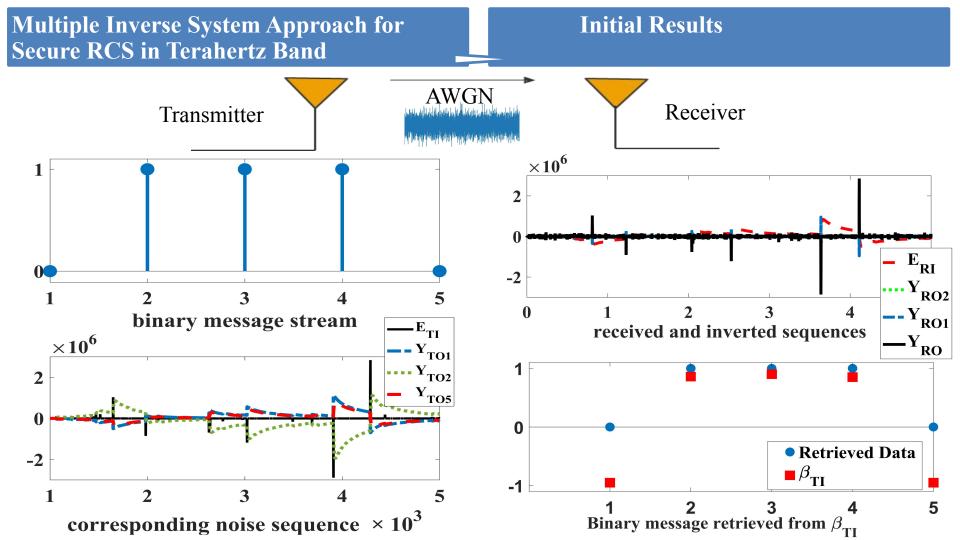
BER vs. MSNR (dB) performances of Bob and Willie for the different 's utilized by Alice; number of transmitted bits=1000

Multiple Inverse System Approach for Secure RCS in Terahertz Band

Proposed Model

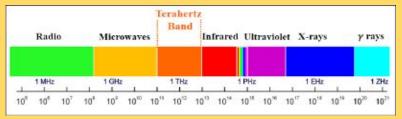


System model of the proposed ERCS based on the multiple inverse systems



Currently in Lab

- The research proposal aims to leverage AI and ML techniques to enhance the security of wireless communications in the Terahertz (THz) band for future scientific applications.
 - THz band offers immense bandwidth and potential for high-speed data transfer.
 - Unique security challenges, such as vulnerability to eavesdropping and signal attenuation.



- The proposal addresses these challenges by developing ML and data-driven solutions with Random Communication Systems (RCSs), such as
 - Intrusion detection
 - Encryption, authentication,
 - Adaptive modulation
 - Coding, and channel modeling.

Conclusion – Beyond State of the Art

Expected Outcomes:

- Comprehensive data collection and analysis framework for THz communication.
- ML-driven intrusion detection, encryption, authentication, and adaptive modulation techniques for THz communication
- **Data-driven channel models** for THz communication evaluation.
- **Testing and evaluation results** of the AI-driven secure communication solutions.

Beyond State of the Art:

- Advancing the state-of-the-art in machine learning and wireless communication research.
- Enhancing the security and efficiency of wireless communication systems for 5G/6G applications.
- **Supporting scientific applications** that require high-speed and secure data transmission, such as multidisciplinary communications, healthcare and climate operations.
- **Contributing to the development** of a sustainable and secure future.

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