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## Performance Analysis of Maximum Eigen Value and Energy Detection Techniques

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**ABSTRACT:** The main motive to design this implementation to analysis Cognitive Radio technology (CR) is spectrum sensing. The characteristic of this spectrum sensing the electromagnetic atmosphere to settle in their operation for better radio operating parameters. One of the challenges for CR is to detect the primary users present over the spectrum. That presents the Maximum Eigen value Based energy detection and .Also highlighted the effect of different parameters like number of samples, signal to noise ratio in addition apply comparison between the two methods using the simulation technique. In this paper describe spectrums sensing technique but the main work is carried for energy detection methods. Energy detection technique is implemented using MATLAB simulation and the obtained results are plotted using MATLAB simulation The performance of these two methods is evaluated in terms of their Receiver Operating Characteristics (ROC curves) and their detection probability for different values of Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR) and of smoothing factor L. OR rule and rule majority rule also discussed.

**KEYWORDS:** Energy Detection. Maximum Eigen Value , CR, OR Rule, AND Rule, Majority Rule

### I. INTRODUCTION

Cognitive radio is a type of wireless communication where a transceiver can intelligently distinguish the channels for communication which are being used and which are not being used, and move into unused channels while maintaining a strategic distance from occupied ones. This enhances the utilization of available radio-frequency spectra while interference is minimized to other users. This is an ideal model for wireless communication where transmission or reception parameters of system or node are changed for communication dodging interference with licensed or unlicensed clients. [3]The radio frequency spectrum is a limited characteristic asset that is divided into spectrum bands. In the course of the most recent century, spectrum bands have been apportioned to diverse services, for example, mobile, fixed, broadcast, fixed satellite, and mobile satellite services. As all the spectrum bands are as of now dispensed to diverse services, most often requiring licenses for operation, a crucial issue confronting future wireless systems is to discover suitable carrier frequencies and bandwidths to take care of the anticipated demand for future services. [1]With Cognitive Radio being utilized as a part of various applications, the territory of spectrum sensing has become progressively vital. As Cognitive Radio technology is being utilized to provide a method for utilizing the spectrum all the more productively, spectrum sensing is key to this application. The ability of CognitiveRadio frameworks to get to spare sections of the radio spectrum and to continue observing the spectrum to guarantee that the Cognitive Radio framework does not create any undue Interference depends totally on the spectrum sensing components of the framework. For the overall framework to work viable and to provide the required change in spectrum efficiency, the Cognitive Radio spectrum sensing framework must have the capacity to adequately recognize some other transmissions, distinguish what they are and inform the central preparing unit inside the Cognitive Radio so that the required actions can be taken. After Mitola coined the word "Cognitive radio" its definition is also growing as research interest in CR is increasing. Regulatory bodies, prominent researchers and forums define it in different ways. According to Mitola [3], CR is defined as The point in which wireless personal digital assistants (PDAs) and the related networks are sufficiently computationally intelligent about radio resources and related computer-to-computer communications to: (a) detect user communications needs as a function of use context, and (b) to provide radio resources and wireless services most appropriate to those needs. However the concept of CR is not limited strictly to wireless devices such as PDAs.

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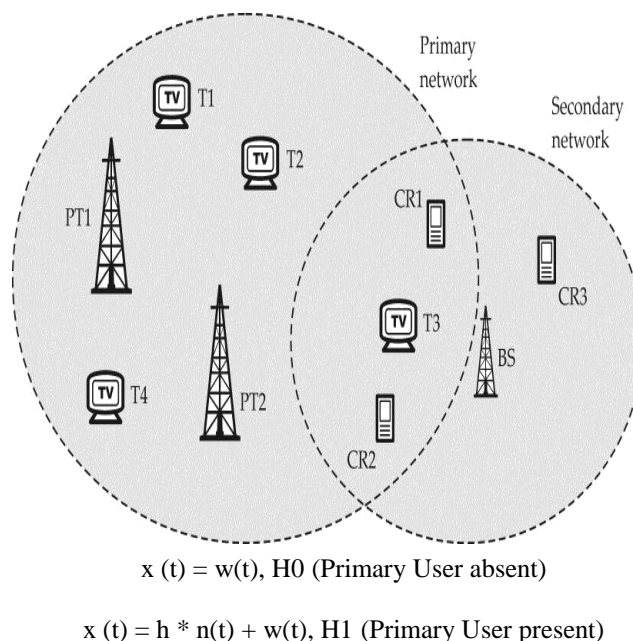


Figure 1. Illustrates a spectrum sensing scenario with a secondary cognitive radio

## II. RELATED WORK

The Energy Detection (ED) technique is a popular narrow band detection method that is widely employed in the literature. ED compares the signal energy received in a certain frequency band to a properly set decision threshold. If the signal energy lies above the threshold, the band is declared to be occupied. Otherwise, the band is assumed to be idle and could be accessed by secondary users. Owing to the generality of its operating principle, the performance of energy detection would not be expected to depend on the type of primary signal being detected, thus it is known as non-coherent spectrum sensing [9, 21, 26]. The major drawback of this method is that it has poor detection performance under low SNR scenarios and cannot differentiate between the signals from PUs and the interference from other cognitive radios. In following section, we will focus on a brief background of the ED, but we will elaborate more on those recent research activities and their associated problems and solutions.

Eigen value Detection Covariance Based Detection (CBD) is a group of narrowband spectrum sensing techniques that exploit aspects of statistical covariance matrixes; a received signal and noise can have different characteristics [36, 34, 37]. The distinguishing properties can be used to detect whether a primary user's signal exists or not. From the CBD a new detection technique was born known as Eigen value Based Detection (EBD). EBD is based on the analysis of eigenvalues of the covariance matrix and its key aspect that it can reduce the computational complexity, as compared to other blind algorithms. Different EBD schemes use different characteristics of the covariance matrix eigenvalues. EBD techniques are blind because they do not require any a priori information of PU signals and/or the transmission channel. Thus, it overcomes problematic noise uncertainty encountered by other detectors. The different detection methods are:

1. Max-min eigenvalue detection in which the test statistic is defined as ratio of maximum to minimum eigenvalues of the received signal covariance matrix.
2. Energy with min eigenvalue, in which the test statistic is defined as ratio of average power of received signal to the minimum eigenvalue of the covariance matrix.
3. Max eigenvalue detection, in which the test statistic is given by the maximum eigenvalue of the signal covariance matrix. "Cognitive Radio is a radio for wireless communications in which either a network or a wireless node changes



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its transmission or reception parameters based on the interaction with the environment to communicate effectively without interfering with the licensed users

### III. PROPOSED METHOD

In communication theory it is often assumed that the transmitted signals are distorted by some noise. The most common noise is Additive Gaussian noise, i.e. the so called Additive White Gaussian Noise channel, AWGN. Even though the noise in reality is more complex, this model is very efficient when simulating for example background noise or amplifier noise. Then the model can be complemented by e.g. impulse noise or other typical noise models that are out there. In this chapter we will have a closer look at AWGN channels and see how the previous theory applies here. We will derive a fundamental limit of the signal to noise ration (SNR) specifying when it is not possible to achieve reliable communication. Spectrum Sensing Model The algorithm of spectrum sensing depends on many parameters like number of samples, signal to noise ratio and noise uncertainty. It aims to make decision between two hypotheses (choose H0 or H1) based on the received signal.

$$H_0: X(N) = W(N) \dots\dots\dots 1$$
$$H_1: X(N) = S(N) + W(N) \dots 2$$

Where N is number of samples, X(N) is the received signal, S(N) is the primary users signal, W(N) is the noise, H0 Gaussian noise (AWGN) with zero mean [4]. The key metric in spectrum sensing are the probability of correct detection probability of alarm (occurs when the channel is empty (H0) but spectrum sensor decides that the channel is occupied and probability of misdetection occurs when the channel is occupied (H1) but spectrum sensor decides that the channel

Unoccupied [5] A signal in a digital communication system can be represented as by a continuous random variable. This value can be decomposed in two parts added together

$$Y = X + Z$$

Where X is the information carrier component and Z noise component. The average power allocated by the variable X is defined as the second moment,

$$P = E[X^2]$$

A Gaussian channel is a time-discrete channel with input X and output  $Y = X + Z$ , where Z models the noise and is Normal distributed,

The communication signalling is limited by a power constraint on the transmitter side,

$$E[X^2] \leq P$$

Without the power constraint in the definition we would be able to choose as many signal alternatives as far apart as we like. Then we would be able to transmit as much information as we like in a single channel use. With the power constraint we get a more realistic system where we need to find other means that increasing the power to get a higher information throughput over the channel. To see how much information is possible to transmit over the channel we again maximizes the mutual information between the transmitted variable X and the received variable Y, with the side condition that the power is limited by P

**A- ENERGY DETECTION** All radio transmitters by definition emit energy into the electromagnetic field. Energy detection (ED) is the simplest spectrum sensing method. As such it is often used as a baseline when evaluating other spectrum sensing methods. Energy detection is the optimal non-coherent detection algorithm [3]. The test statistic  $\gamma$  for energy detectors is based on the definition of signal energy, which is related to the physical concept of energy. For a continuous signal, using the common notation from this paper, the formalization is:



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$$\gamma = \int_0^T s^2(t) dt$$

For sampled-time real signals, the equation transforms into:

$$\gamma = \sum_{n=0}^{N_s-1} x_n^2$$

The largest disadvantage of energy detection is the fact that the test statistic is as sensitive to noise power as to the signal power. In practice the noise power varies. Internal receiver noise changes with production tolerances, temperature and other environmental factors. Environment noise changes with time and location. This leads to a SNR wall [31], where a detector is incapable of reliably detecting a signal, regardless of the choice of  $N_s$ , when signal power is small compared to noise power.

**B-MATCHED FILTER DETECTION:** The best sensing technique in AWGN environment without any prior information about the signal is ED technique. If we considered the signal structure, then we can get best performance by using matched filter method. Matched filter is a linear filter which is used to maximize signal to noise ratio in presence of additive noise. It provides coherent detection. A coherent detector uses the knowledge of the phase of the carrier wave to demodulate the signal. However, if there is noise uncertainty, the detection probability of the energy detection is much worse than that of the proposed method. The Pfa for the proposed method and the energy detection without noise uncertainty meet the requirement ( $P_{fa} \leq 0.1$ ), but the Pfa for the energy detection with noise uncertainty far exceeds the limit. This means that the energy detection is very unreliable in practical situations with noise uncertainty.

**C-EIGENVALUE-BASED DETECTION:** Eigen value-based detection methods are closely related to covariance-based detection. These methods attempt to trade off some of the simplicity for better signal detection performance [4]. Here, the test statistic is based on eigenvalues  $\lambda_l$  of the covariance matrix  $R$ , ordered by their absolute value:

$$|\lambda_0| \geq |\lambda_1| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_{L-1}|$$

Eigen value calculation requires on the order of  $L^3$  operations, however since  $L$  is typically small compared to  $N_s$ ,

## IV. SIMULATION RESULTS

With a view to verify the hypothesis simulation was made. In the simulation study input random bit stream is multiplied by 1 MHz sinusoidal carrier signal to get 1 MHz BPSK modulated signal, which is transmitted in AWGN channel. The detection performance can be performed by varying the probability of false alarm from 0 to 1 and finding the probability of detection by using Monte Carlo simulation for each case, theoretically as shown in Figure 3.3. Here the number of sample points taken is  $N=2000$  ( $N=2TW$ ) and SNR is -30Db

**PERFORMANCE CRITERIA:** The performance of spectrum sensing techniques can differ in different scenarios. Hence, it is imperative to evaluate and choose the most adequate scheme for a given scenario. Different characteristics that can be used to evaluate the sensing algorithms are discussed in this section.

- **PROBABILITY OF FALSE ALARM:** It is the probability that the detector declares the presence of the PU, when the PU is absent. Considering a binary hypothesis test. There are two types of errors that can be made, type I and type II errors, respectively. A type I error is made if  $H_1$  is accepted when  $H_0$  is true. The probability of making a type I error is often called the probability of false alarm ( $P_{fa} = \text{Prob}\{\text{Decision} = (H_1 / H_0)\}$ ), which is a significant design parameter since false alarms lead to missing spectral opportunities. Therefore, controlling the probability false alarm is crucial for efficient spectrum usage.
- **PROBABILITY OF MISSED DETECTION:** It is the probability that the detector declares the absence of PU, when the PU is present. A type II error is made if  $H_0$  is accepted when  $H_1$  is true. Missed detection probability ( $P_m = \text{Prob}\{\text{Decision} = (H_0 / H_1)\}$ ) also, called type II error, comes about because of the probability of missed detection and

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can lead to collisions with the PU transmission and hence, reduced rate for both the PU and SU, respectively. Establishing distributions of decision statistics helps in controlling the probabilities of missed detection and false alarm. Based on the previous stated two points, it worth mention that on the whole, a CR system ought to satisfy constraints on both the false alarm and missed detection probability

**SIGNAL-TO-NOISE-RATIO (SNR):** Type I and type II errors are linked to each other through sensing time, SNR, and detection threshold. The SNR at the SUs depends on the PU transmit power and the spectrum environment. The detection performance improves with an increase in the SNR.

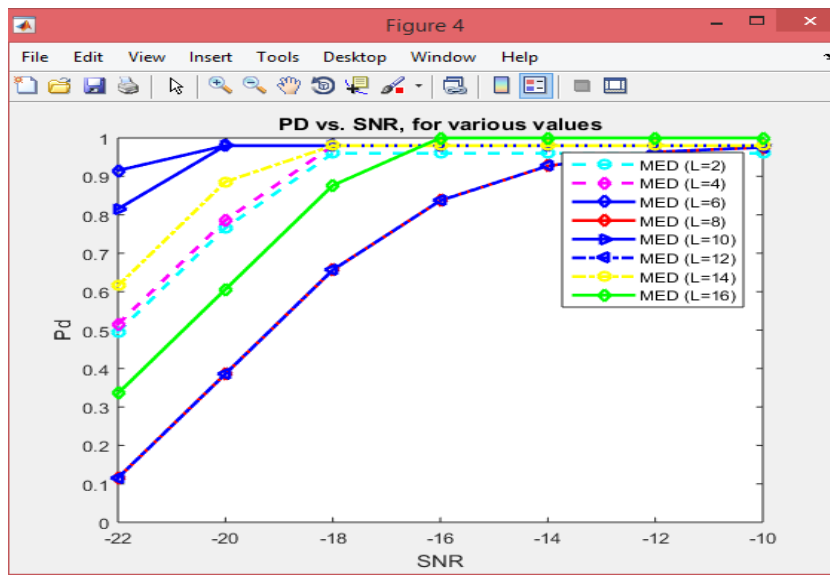


Fig. 1. PD vs. SNR, for various values of smoothing fact

evaluate the detection probability of the two compared methods as a function of SNR and using different values of the smoothing factor ( $L$  varying from 1 to 16) in order to analyze its effect. These figures show that the detection probability in the case of the MED method decreases by increasing the SNR and increases by increasing the smoothing factor compared to the energy detection method which is not affected by  $L$ . Indeed, we can note that the PD in the case of the maximum eigenvalue detection method is not very sensitive to the smoothing factor for  $L \geq 8$ . First, randomly generated signals are used. We consider a system with 4 receivers/antennas ( $M = 4$ ) and 2 signals ( $P = 2$ ). The channel orders are  $N_1 = N_2 = 4$  (5 taps). Assume that all the channel taps are independent with equal power. The smoothing factor is chosen as  $L = 6$ . 50000 samples are used for computing the sample covariance matrix. The probabilities of detection ( $P_d$ ) for the MED method and energy detection (with or without noise uncertainty) If the noise variance is exactly known ( $B = 0$ ), the energy detection is pretty good. However, if there is noise uncertainty, the detection probability of the energy detection is much worse than that of the proposed method. The  $P_{fa}$  for the proposed method and the energy detection without noise uncertainty meet the requirement ( $P_{fa} \leq 0.1$ ), but the  $P_{fa}$  for the energy detection with noise uncertainty far exceeds the limit. This means that the energy detection is very unreliable in practical situations with noise uncertainty

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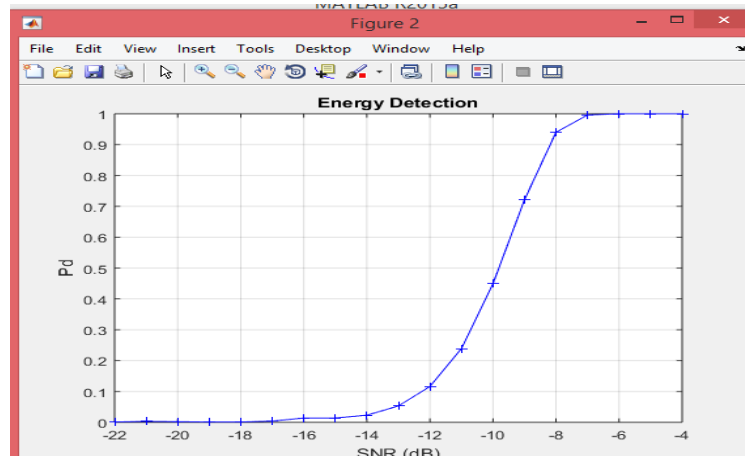


Fig. .2 PD vs. SNR, for various values of energy detection

The results are taken for  $\alpha = 0.1$ , and SNRs varying from -22dB to -14dB. It is shown that the detection performance becomes better when increases. However, when turns to 48, the performance detection declines. Therefore, should be relatively small while using this technique for a given number of samples. Therefore, choosing a proper temporal smoothing factor for a given number of samples is important. Figure 3 shows the performance comparison of the optimal-detection technique, the MED detection and energy detection. In MED detection, 4 receiving antennas are used for sensing in the radio environment while the optimal detector has a temporal smoothing factor of 16.

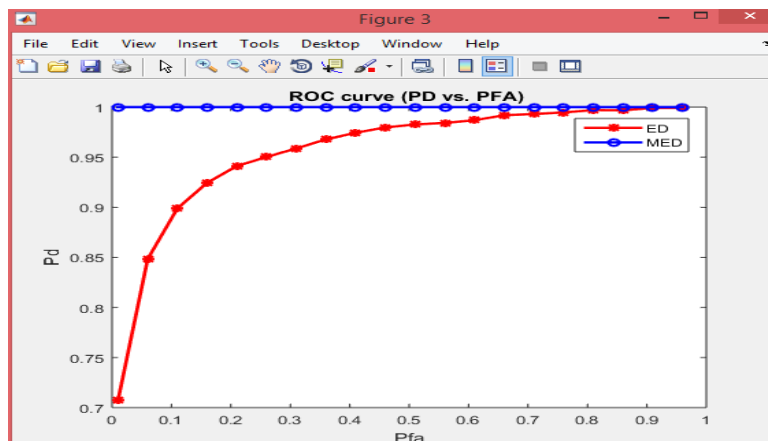


Fig. 3 PD vs. SNR, for various values of energy detection and MED

From the figure, we can also see that for the same SNR, the probability of detection improves as probability of false alarm increases. This reflects the trade-off between false alarm and detection probability. The graph probability of false alarm on X-axis and probability of detection on Y-axis as shown in Figure 2. Here we have taken probability of false alarm is (0,1),  $N=2000$  and the Figure 3 clearly illustrates this tradeoff. When increases there is a high likelihood of the algorithm detecting a signal even when there is no signal present. Obviously, for a good detection algorithm, the probability of detection should be high and the probability of false alarm should be low. The requirements of and depend on the application he Fig. 4 represents the detection probability of the ED and the MED methods as a function of the SNR with a false alarm probability fixed to  $PFA=0.1$ . From this figure, we can note that the detection probability is better in the case of the maximum eigenvalue detection whatever the value of the SNR

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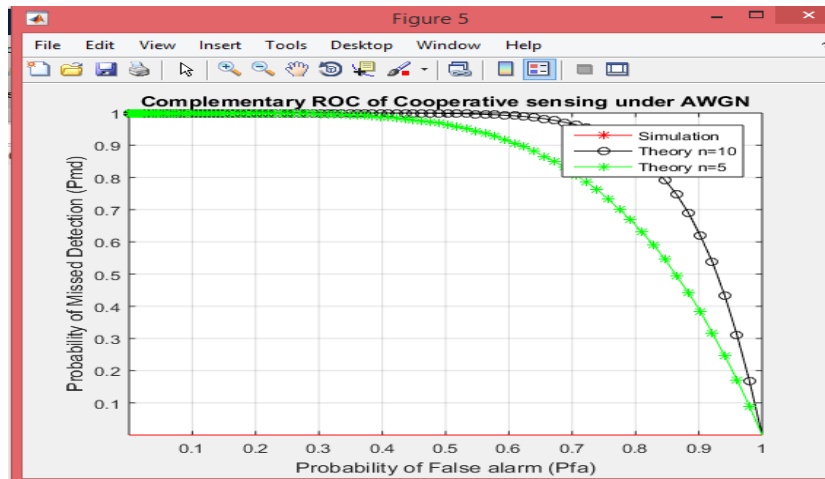


Fig.4  $P_D$  vs.  $P_{MD}$ , for various values of energy detection and MED

Next energy detection mechanism was analyzed. The graph of  $P_{md}$  values on X-axis and probability of false alarm on Y-axis shown in the Figure 4. The graph shows that simulation and theoretically values of probability of detection for different values of SNR curves. Here we have taken probability of false alarm is 0.1 missed detection and number of sample points  $N=10$ . From the figure it is observed that performance is better at higher SNR the ROC curves of the „AND“ and the „OR“ rule and majority rule. Each user has a SNR of -2db. As shown in Fig.7, the OR rule has better detection performance than the AND rule,

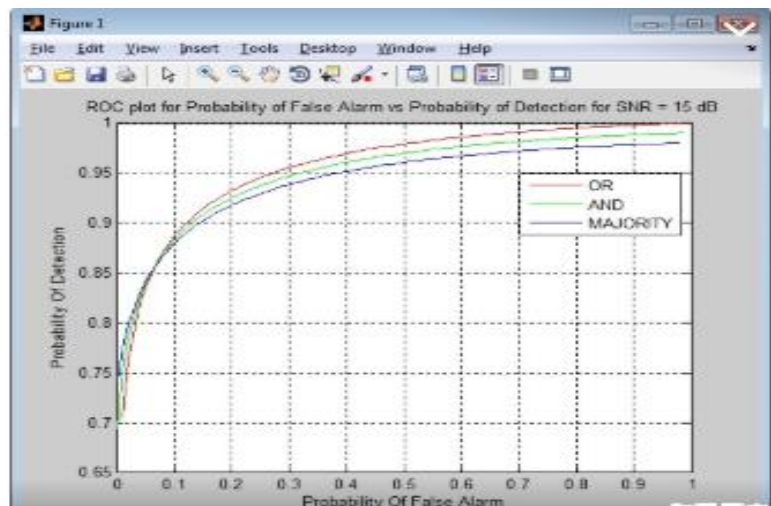


Fig.5 The ROC curves of the „AND“ and the „OR“ rule and majority rule

## V. CONCLUSIONS

the performance of energy detection algorithm for spectrum sensing in cognitive radio by drawing the curves between probability of false alarm vs. probability of detection, SNR vs. probability of detection and the performance of dynamic threshold on spectrum detection techniques (Matched filter detection, Energy detection) in cognitive radio systems.



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Discussed. The future of wireless communications will be characterized by highly varying environments with multiple available radio access technologies exhibiting diverse features. So cognitive radio is a paradigm for new wireless communications to meet their standards.

The energy detector performance can be improved by increasing the SNR values and by increasing the number of sample points the detection performance is much better even at lower SNR values. The detection performance can be improved by using dynamic threshold based spectrum detection algorithm in cognitive radio systems. Energy detection based on fixed threshold are sensitive to noise uncertainty, a fractional change of average noise power causes decreasing the performance quickly. Matched filter which not sensitive to noise uncertainty, by using dynamic threshold the performance can be improved as compared with the fixed threshold.

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