STATISTICAL MECHANICS OF THE FOCUSING NONLINEAR SCHRÖDINGER EQUATION - EXERCISES

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1. EXERCISE SESSION 1

Exercise 1. Let $A : D \subseteq L^2(\mathbb{T}^d) \to L^2(\mathbb{T}^d)$ be a densely defined, nonnegative, self-adjoint operator which is translation invariant. Recall that this implies that for every $n \in \mathbb{Z}^d$, there exists $\lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$ such that for every $f \in D$,

$$\widehat{Af}(n) = \lambda_n^2 \widehat{f}(n).$$

Moreover,

$$D = \{f : \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \lambda_n^4 |\widehat{f}(n)|^2 < \infty\}.$$

Suppose moreover that for some $s_0 > 0$, c > 0, we have

$$\langle Au, u \rangle \ge c \|u\|_{H^{s_0}}^2$$

We want to build a measure μ , formally given by

$$\mu \sim \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\langle Au, u \rangle\right) du d\overline{u},$$

which has the following properties

- i. There exists $s \in \mathbb{R}$ such that the measure μ is a Gaussian measure on $H^s(\mathbb{T}^d)$.
- ii. For every $f, g \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{T}^d)$, we have that

$$\int \langle f, u \rangle d\mu(u) = 0,$$
$$\int \langle f, u \rangle \overline{\langle g, u \rangle} d\mu(u) = \langle A^{-1}f, g \rangle.$$

Show the following.

(1) Let $\{g_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{T}^d}$ be a family of i.i.d. complex valued standard random variables.¹ Define

$$X = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{g_n}{\lambda_n} e^{in \cdot x}.$$

Firstly, show that

$$\mathbb{E}\|X\|_{H^s}^2 < \infty$$

for every $s < s_0 - \frac{d}{2}$. Then, show that $\mu = \text{Law}(X)$ satisfies ii.

¹We say that g is a complex valued standard random variable if $\operatorname{Re} g \sim N(0, \frac{1}{2})$, $\operatorname{Im} g \sim N(0, \frac{1}{2})$, and they are independent.

(2) Now suppose that μ is a measure that satisfies both i. and ii. Show that if Law $(u) = \mu$, then the random variables

$$G_n := \frac{\lambda_n}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}} \langle u, e^{in \cdot x} \rangle$$

are i.i.d. complex valued standard random variables.

- (3) Let $s < s_0 \frac{d}{2}$ be such that μ is concentrated on H^s . For G_n as in (2), show that
 - $\int \|u\|_{H^s}^2 d\mu(u) < \infty$, • $\lim_{N \to \infty} \int \|u - \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}} \sum_{|n| \le N} \frac{G_n}{\lambda_n} e^{in \cdot x} \|_{H^s}^2 d\mu(u) = 0.$

Deduce that i. and ii. uniquely determine the measure μ , and that every such measure admits a random series representation

$$\mu = \operatorname{Law}\left(\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}}\sum_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}\frac{g_n}{\lambda_n}e^{in\cdot x}\right).$$

Exercise 2. Let

$$X = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \frac{g_n}{\langle n \rangle^{\alpha}} e^{in \cdot x}.$$

We want to show that the property $X \in H^{\alpha - \frac{d}{2} - \varepsilon}$ is optimal, or in other words, that

$$\|X\|^2_{H^{\alpha-\frac{d}{2}}} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \langle n \rangle^{2\alpha-d} |\widehat{X}(n)|^2 = \infty \quad \text{ a.s.}$$

For $N \in 2^{\mathbb{N}}$, define

$$X_N := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}} \sum_{\frac{N}{2} < |n| \le N} \widehat{X}(n) e^{in \cdot x}.$$

(1) Show that

$$\mathbb{E}||X_N||_{L^2}^2 \sim N^{d-2\alpha}.$$

(2) Show that

$$\mathbb{E} |\|X_N\|_{L^2}^2 - \mathbb{E} \|X_N\|_{L^2}^2|^2 \lesssim N^{d-4\alpha}$$

(3) Deduce that

(4) From
$$||X||^2_{H^{\alpha-\frac{d}{2}}} \gtrsim \sum_N N^{2\alpha-d} ||X_N||^2_{L^2} - \mathbb{E} ||X_N||^2_{L^2}| < \infty$$
 a.s

$$\|X\|_{H^{\alpha-\frac{d}{2}}}^2 = \infty \quad \text{a.s}$$

Exercise 3 (Wick renormalisation). Let $X \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$. Define recursively the Wick powers of x in the following way.

$$\begin{aligned} &:x^0 := 1, \\ &:x := x, \\ &:x^{n+1} := x \cdot :x^n :- \sigma^2 \partial_x (:x^n :). \end{aligned}$$

i. Show that for every $n \ge 1$, $\partial_x(:x^n:) = n:x^{n-1}:$.

ii. Proceeding inductively, show that

$$\mathbb{E}[:x^n::x^m:] = n!\delta_{nm}\sigma^{2n}.$$

It might be useful to recall that

$$(x + \sigma^2 \partial_x) e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma}} = 0.$$

iii. For $z \in \mathbb{R}$, seeing $:x^k:$ as a polynomial in x, show that

$$:(x+z)^k:=\sum_{h=0}^k \binom{n}{k}:x^{n-k}:z^k.$$

iv. Let (x, y) be jointly Gaussian with zero average, and let $:x^n:::y^m:$ be their Wick powers. Show that

$$\mathbb{E}[:x^n::y^m:] = n!\delta_{nm}\mathbb{E}[xy]^n.$$

It might be useful to write $y = \lambda x + w$, with $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and w independent from x.

Exercise 4 (Wick renormalisation of the Gaussian free field). Consider the random series on \mathbb{T}^2 ,

$$X = \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^2} \frac{g_n}{\langle n \rangle} e^{in \cdot x}.$$

Our goal is to show that for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, the Wick powers $:X^k:$ are well-defined distributions, and moreover

$$(1-\Delta)^{-\frac{s}{2}}:X^k:\in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T}^2)$$

for every s > 0.

For a distribution u, define

$$u_N := \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{|n| \le N} \widehat{u}(n) e^{in \cdot x}.$$

Recall that for any $f \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{T}^2)$, and for every 0 < s < 2, we have that

$$(1-\Delta)^{-\frac{s}{2}}f(x) = \int K_s(x-y)f(y)dy,$$

where K_s satisfies

$$|K_s|(x) \lesssim \frac{1}{|x|^{2-s}}.$$

i. Let $N \leq M$. show that

$$\mathbb{E}[X_N(x)X_M(y)] = K_N(x-y),$$

where

$$\widehat{K_N}(n) = rac{\mathbf{1}_{\{|n| \le N\}}}{\langle n \rangle^2}.$$

Deduce that for every $1 \leq p < \infty$,

$$\sup_{N} \|K_N\|_{L^p(\mathbb{T}^2)} < \infty.$$

ii. Exploiting point iv. of Exercise 3, show that for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\sup_{N} \mathbb{E} |((1-\Delta)^{-\frac{s}{2}}:X_{N}^{k}:)(x)|^{2} < \infty.$$

iii. Recall the (simplified) variational formula

$$\mathbb{E}[\exp(F(X))] \le \mathbb{E}[\sup_{V \in H^1} F(X+V) - \frac{1}{2} \|V\|_{H^1}^2]$$

for any measurable functional F bounded below.

Show that for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists $\varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon_0(k, s) \ll 1$ such that

$$\sup_{N} \mathbb{E} \left[\exp \left(\varepsilon_0 | \left((1 - \Delta)^{-\frac{s}{2}} : X_N^k : \right) (x) |^{\frac{2}{k}} \right) \right] < \infty.$$

Deduce that for every $1 \leq q < \infty$,

$$\sup_{N} \mathbb{E} \| (1-\Delta)^{-\frac{s}{2}} : X_{N}^{k} : \|_{L^{p}}^{q} < \infty.$$

iv. (optional) Show that for $N \leq M$,

$$\mathbb{E}[(:X_M^k:-:X_N^k:)(x)(:X_M^k:-:X_N^k:)(y)] = k!(K_M(x-y)-K_N(x,y)).$$

Arguing as in ii.-iii., deduce that for some $\varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon_0(k, s) > 0$ and some $\delta = \delta(k, s) > 0$, we have that

$$\sup_{N \le M} \mathbb{E}\Big[\exp\Big(\varepsilon_0 N^{\delta} |\big((1-\Delta)^{-\frac{s}{2}}(:X_M^k:-:X_N^k:)\big)(x)|^{\frac{2}{k}}\Big)\Big] < \infty,$$

and hence show that for every $1 \leq p < \infty$, the sequence

$$(1-\Delta)^{-\frac{s}{2}}:X_N^k:$$

is a Cauchy sequence in $L^p(\mathbb{T}^2)$. v. Denote by $:X^k:$ the a.s. limit of $:X_N^k:$ as $N \to \infty$. Show that for every s > 0, there exists $\varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon_0(k, s)$ such that

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\exp\left(\varepsilon_0\|(1-\Delta)^{-\frac{s}{2}}:X^k:\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T}^2)}^{\frac{2}{k}}\right)\right] < \infty.$$

2. Exercise session 2

Exercise 5. Recall the Boué-Dupuis formula: for every real-valued functional F on distributions, Borel and bounded, we have

$$\log \int \exp(F(u)) d\mu(u) = \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^1_a} \mathbb{E}\Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \|\dot{V}\|_{H^1}^2\Big],$$

where

$$X(t) = \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^2} \frac{W_n(t)}{\langle n \rangle} e^{i n \cdot x},$$

and

$$\mathbb{H}^1_a := \{ V \in L^2(\mathbf{P}, H^1) : V(0) = 0, \|\dot{V}\| \in L^2([0, 1], H^1) \text{ a.s.}, \\ V \text{ is adapted with respect to the filtration induced by } X \}.$$

Our goal is to show that the similar formula

$$\log \int \exp(F(u)) d\mu(u) = \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^{1}_{a,+}} \mathbb{E} \Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}\|_{H^{1}}^{2} \Big]$$

holds under more general hypotheses on F. Here $\mathbb{H}^1_{a,+}$ denotes

$$\mathbb{H}^{1}_{a,+} = \mathbb{H}^{1}_{a} \cap \{\mathbb{E}[F_{-}(X(1) + V(1))] < \infty\}.$$

We suppose the following on F.

(1) For every $V \in H^1$,

$$F_{-}(X(1) + V) \le G_{1}(X(1)) + G_{2}(V),$$

where

$$\mathbb{E}|G_1(X(1))| < \infty,$$

and $G_2: H^1 \to \mathbb{R}$ is bounded on every ball of H^1 . (2)

$$\sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^1_{a,+}} \mathbb{E}\Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \|\dot{V}\|_{H^1}^2\Big] < \infty.$$

We start by considering the case of F bounded above by F^* , and satisfying (1). Notice that in this case $\mathbb{H}^1_{a,+} = \mathbb{H}^1_a$. Define $F_M = F \vee (-M)$.

Step 1. Notice that

$$\int \exp(F_M(u)) d\mu(u) = \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^1_a} \mathbb{E} \Big[F_M(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \|\dot{V}\|_{H^1}^2 \Big]$$
$$\geq \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^1_a} \mathbb{E} \Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \|\dot{V}\|_{H^1}^2 \Big].$$

Deduce that

$$\int \exp(F(u)) d\mu(u) \ge \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^1_a} \mathbb{E} \Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \|\dot{V}\|_{H^1}^2 \Big] > -\infty.$$

Step 2. Let L > 0. Using a stopping time argument, show that

$$\begin{split} \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}_{a}^{1}} \mathbb{E} \Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}\|_{H^{1}}^{2} \Big] \\ \geq \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}_{a}^{1}} \mathbb{E} \Big[\Big(F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}\|_{H^{1}}^{2} \Big) \mathbf{1}_{\{\int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}\|_{H^{1}}^{2} ds \leq L\}} \Big] \\ \geq \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}_{a}^{1}} \mathbb{E} \Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) \mathbf{1}_{\{\int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}\|_{H^{1}}^{2} ds \leq L\}} - \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}\|_{H^{1}}^{2} \Big]. \end{split}$$

Step 3. Let V_M^{ε} be an almost optimiser for the following sup, in the sense that

$$\mathbb{E}\Big[F_M(X(1) + V_M^{\varepsilon}(1)) - \frac{1}{2}\int_0^1 \|\dot{V}_M^{\varepsilon}\|_{H^1}^2\Big] \ge \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}_a^1} \mathbb{E}\Big[F_M(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2}\int_0^1 \|\dot{V}\|_{H^1}^2\Big] - \varepsilon.$$

Exploiting the fact that $F \leq F^* < \infty$, show that

$$\mathbf{P}\Big(\int_0^1 \|\dot{V}_M^{\varepsilon}\|_{H^1}^2 ds \ge L\Big) \lesssim L^{-1},$$

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where the implicit constant is independent of M and of $\varepsilon \leq 1$. Using (1), exploit this to show that for every L > 0,

$$\begin{split} &\lim_{M \to \infty} \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}_{a}^{1}} \mathbb{E} \Big[F_{M}(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \| \dot{V} \|_{H^{1}}^{2} \Big] \\ &\leq \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}_{a}^{1}} \mathbb{E} \Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) \mathbf{1}_{\{ \int_{0}^{1} \| \dot{V}^{\varepsilon} \|_{H^{1}}^{2} ds \leq L \}} - \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \| \dot{V} \|_{H^{1}}^{2} \Big] + O(L^{-1}). \end{split}$$

With steps 1,2, deduce that

$$\int \exp(F(u)) d\mu(u) \le \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^1_a} \mathbb{E}\Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \|\dot{V}\|_{H^1}^2\Big].$$

We now move to the general case of F satisfying both (1) and (2). For M > 0, define $F^M := F \wedge M$. Note that F^M satisfies (1) and it is bounded above, so by the previous steps, the Boué-Dupuis fomula applies to F^M .

Step 4. Show that

$$\int \exp(F(u)) d\mu(u) = \lim_{M \to \infty} \int \exp(F^M(u)) d\mu(u)$$

$$\leq \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^1_{a,+}} \mathbb{E}\Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \|\dot{V}\|_{H^1}^2\Big].$$

Step 5. Let $V^{\varepsilon} \in \mathbb{H}^1_{a,+}$ be an almost optimiser for the sup, in the sense that

$$\mathbb{E}\Big[F(X(1) + V^{\varepsilon}(1)) - \frac{1}{2}\int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}^{\varepsilon}\|_{H^{1}}^{2}\Big] \ge \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}_{a,+}^{1}} \mathbb{E}\Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2}\int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}\|_{H^{1}}^{2}\Big] - \varepsilon.$$

Show that

$$\mathbb{E}\Big[F(X(1)+V^{\varepsilon}(1))-\frac{1}{2}\int_{0}^{1}\|\dot{V}^{\varepsilon}\|_{H^{1}}^{2}\Big] \leq \lim_{M\to\infty}\mathbb{E}\Big[F^{M}(X(1)+V^{\varepsilon}(1))-\frac{1}{2}\int_{0}^{1}\|\dot{V}\|_{H^{1}}^{2}\Big].$$

Deduce that

$$\log \int \exp(F(u)) d\mu(u) = \sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^{1}_{a,+}} \mathbb{E} \Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}\|_{H^{1}}^{2} \Big].$$

Exercise 6. Let d = 2, 3. Given $M \gg 1$, define X_M by its Fourier coefficients as follows. For $|n| \leq M$, $\hat{X}_M(n, t)$ is a solution of the following differential equation:

$$\begin{cases} d\widehat{X}_M(n,t) = \frac{M}{\langle n \rangle} (\widehat{X}(n,t) - \widehat{X}_M(n,t)) dt \\ \widehat{Z}_M|_{t=0} = 0, \end{cases}$$

and we set $\widehat{X}_M(n,t) \equiv 0$ for |n| > M. Show that $X_M(t)$ is a centered Gaussian process in $L^2(\mathbb{T}^d)$, which is frequency localized on $\{|n| \leq M\}$, satisfying for every fixed function

$$f \in H^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^d),$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[X_M^2(x)\right] \sim \begin{cases} \log M & \text{if } d = 2, \\ M & \text{if } d = 3, \end{cases}$$
$$\mathbb{E}\left[2\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} XX_M dx - \int_{\mathbb{T}^d} X_M^2 dx\right] = (2\pi)^d \mathbb{E}\left[X_M^2(x)\right](1+o(1)),$$
$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left|\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} X_M f dx\right|^2\right] \lesssim \|f\|_{H^{-1}}^2,$$
$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left|\int_{\mathbb{T}^d} (X - X_M)^2 dx\right|^2\right] \lesssim \begin{cases} M^{-2} \log M & \text{if } d = 2, \\ M^{-1} & \text{if } d = 3, \end{cases}$$
$$\mathbb{E}\left[\int_0^1 \left\|\frac{d}{ds} X_M(s)\right\|_{H^1}^2 ds\right] \lesssim M^d,$$

where $X = X(1), X_M = X_M(1)$, and

$$:(X - X_M)^2 := (X - X_M)^2 - \mathbb{E}[(X - X_M)^2].$$

Hint: Write and solve the SDE satisfied by $Y_n(s,n) := \widehat{X}(s,n) - \widehat{X}_M(s,n)$.

Exercise 7. Let d = 2, p > 4. Show that there exists $\gamma > 0$ such that for every $\sigma > 0$,

$$\int \exp\left(\frac{\sigma}{4} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} : u^4 : dx - \|u\|_{W^{-\frac{1}{2},p}(\mathbb{T}^2)}^{\gamma}\right) d\mu(u) < \infty.$$

Here

$$||u||_{W^{s,p}} := ||(1-\Delta)^{\frac{s}{2}}u||_{L^{p}}.$$

The simplified variational formula is enough to show the above. It might be convenient to use the following interpolation inequalities.

• (Gagliardo-Nirenberg-Sobolev). For every $0 \le \theta \le 1$, $s_j \in \mathbb{R}$, $1 < p_j < \infty$, $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{\theta}{p_1} + \frac{1-\theta}{p_2}$, we have that

$$\|u\|_{W^{\theta s_1+(1-\theta)s_2,r}} \lesssim \|u\|_{W^{s_1,p_1}}^{\theta} \|u\|_{W^{s_2,p_2}}^{1-\theta}.$$

• (Sobolev embeddings). Suppose that 1 < q < 4, s > 0, and

$$\frac{s}{d} \ge \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{4}.$$

Then

$$\|u\|_{L^4(\mathbb{T}^d)} \lesssim \|u\|_{W^{s,q}(\mathbb{T}^d)}.$$

3. Exercise session 3

Let F be a real-valued functional on distributions that satisfies (1) and (2) in Exercise 5. Define the probability measure

$$d\rho_F = \frac{\exp(-F(u))d\mu(u)}{\int F(u)d\mu(u)}$$

Let $V^n \in \mathbb{H}^1_{a,+}$ be a sequence of almost optimisers for the variational formula associated to $\exp(F(u))$, or more precisely,

$$\sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^{1}_{a,+}} \mathbb{E}\Big[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}\|_{H^{1}}^{2}\Big] = \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{E}\Big[F(X(1) + V^{n}(1)) - \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \|\dot{V}^{n}\|_{H^{1}}^{2}\Big].$$

Let now g be a real-valued, bounded, Borel functional on distributions. We want to show that

$$\int g(u)d\rho_F(u) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{E}\Big[g(X(1) + V^n(1))\Big]$$

Step 1. Show that

$$\int g(u)d\rho_F(u) = \lim_{\lambda \to 0} \frac{1}{\lambda} \log \left(\int \exp(\lambda g(u))d\rho_F(u) \right).$$

Step 2. Show that for every $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, the functional $\lambda g + F$ satisfies (1) and (2) in Exercise 5, and deduce that

$$\log\left(\int \exp(\lambda g(u))d\rho_F(u)\right)$$

= $\sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^1_{a,+}} \mathbb{E}\left[\lambda g(X(1) + V(1)) + F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2}\int_0^1 \|\dot{V}\|_{H^1}^2\right]$
- $\sup_{V \in \mathbb{H}^1_{a,+}} \mathbb{E}\left[F(X(1) + V(1)) - \frac{1}{2}\int_0^1 \|\dot{V}\|_{H^1}^2\right].$

Step 3. Deduce that, for every $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\log\left(\int \exp(\lambda g(u))d\rho_F(u)\right) \le \liminf_{n \to \infty} \lambda \mathbb{E}[g(X(1) + V^n(1))].$$

Step 4. By considering separately the cases $\lambda \uparrow 0$ and $\lambda \downarrow 0$, show that

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{E}[g(X(1) + V^n(1))] \le \log\left(\int \exp(\lambda g(u))d\rho_F(u)\right) \le \liminf_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{E}[g(X(1) + V^n(1))].$$

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