

# Cross-Layer Design of Power Assignment and Power Balance in Wireless Ad-hoc Networks

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**Abstract**—In Wireless era, Cross-layer designing of transmission power assignment and power control is the critical issues in emerging wireless technology. Intelligent transmission power selection algorithm depends on the notion of Transmission Power (TXPOWER), energy, Received Signal Strength Indication (RSSI) and the distance. The decentralized network without load balancing leads to network partitioning, route reliability, link failure and retransmission occurs. This power control Cross-layer design used for communicating information among the intermediate layers. LOADPOWER CONTROL Transmission power assignment algorithm in wireless networks leads to the network more efficient by using  $PW_{min}$  and  $PW_{max}$  power control technique. Euclidean distance calculates appropriate distance between sender and receiver in the network. Path loss model used to calculate difference between transmission power and received power for the amount of mobile nodes present in the LOADPOWER network. The key concept is to improve the network throughput, delay, distance, saves energy by sending all the packets with optimal transmit power according to the network load. Simulation was done in NS-2 simulator.

**Index Terms**— TXPOWER, RSSI, LOADPOWER

## I. INTRODUCTION

AMONG the entire communication network available today the popularity of wireless networks has been appreciated recently due to its wide range of applicability and versatility. It has revolutionized the science and technology and added comfort and beauty to the modern life. The complex technology made simpler and more user friendly due to the amalgamation of the wireless technology with the traditional wired equipments. The wireless technology is blended with our personal and professional life in the form of mobile telephony, wireless fidelity (Wi-Fi), Bluetooth, telemedicine and so on.

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Now days, we are completely dependent on these type of device and applications for our comfort and necessity. Variety of wireless network exists ranging from most popular infrastructure based cellular networks, to most recent and advanced ad hoc and sensor networks [1].

Cross-layering of power control in ad hoc network is a set of nodes that have the ability to communicate wirelessly without the existence of any fixed infrastructure and mainly MAC and Network layer information are shared. Nodes in an ad hoc network use other nodes as intermediate relays to transmit packets to their destinations.

The node in wireless network acts as a router for communicating the information. Since nodes are usually battery operated, energy conservation is an important issue [2]. Transmission power assignment algorithm provides the best solutions for the initial power allocation in the wireless environment. Furthermore, because of the broadcast nature of the wireless medium, ad hoc networks are also limited by interference/capacity considerations. If power control is dealing in MAC layer IEEE802.11b stack build with the minimum and the maximum power values. According to that transmission power is denoted by TXPOWER, minimum power is  $PW_{min}$  and maximum power is  $PW_{max}$ . Power control in Network layer provides the efficient power aware routing with the optimal transmission power and also provides the shortest path power routing. So in this transmission power assignment algorithm provide the power control solutions for both the MAC and the Network layer power control.

This proposed transmission power assignment algorithm based on power control techniques for single-hop and multi-hop wireless network. The challenges in this proposed work is, the selection of network is based on the load. If the load is low or high depends on the traffic and distance. For the calculation of distance between the sender and receiver Euclidean distance is used. Another technical challenge is to determine the appropriate power level for each and every node using the RSSI. When a sender transmits Node A  $\rightarrow$  Node B, the receiver measures the signal strength of a sender using RSSI. It also measures the power in the received radio channels. The proposed system model is  $PW_{min}$  and  $PW_{max}$  transmission power assignment algorithm for both single and multihop wireless ad hoc networks. For the power assignment algorithm, power control techniques are used to describe the system. The clustering approach is also used to balance the maximum and the minimum power levels of the network.

## II. POWER CONTROL IN WIRELESS AD HOC NETWORKS

### A. Power control

Power control has taken three directions:

- 1) Choosing a power level that will maintain network connectivity, bounding the number of one-hop neighbors.
- 2) Designing power efficient routing algorithms in the network layer.
- 3) Modification of the MAC layer to support a sleep mode

The growth in the size of wireless networks also makes it desirable to use decentralized mechanisms for power allocation because centrally controlled mechanisms involve added infra-structure and network vulnerability was proposed by Shrutivandana Sharma et.al. Power control is intelligent selection of transmit power in a communication system to achieve good performance within the system. In [9] power management and power control techniques in wireless networks, with the emphasis on the energy conservation and performance tradeoff. Optimizing metrics such as a link rate, network capacity, coverage range and the life time of the network.

Further, if the ad hoc network is large consisting of thousands of nodes, collecting information from all the nodes and passing it to the concerned nodes lead to high overheads. Thus, distributed topology control algorithms that are asynchronous, scalable and localized are particularly attractive for ad hoc networks. The dynamic algorithm optimizes the overall energy consumption based on adaptive outage probability specification that guarantees the worst outage probability to all the users [8]. Once the nodes are deployed, it is very difficult or even impossible to recharge or replace their batteries in many application scenarios. Hence, reducing power consumption is often the only way to extend network lifetime. For the purpose of energy conservation, each node can (possibly dynamically) adjust its transmitting power between zero and its maximal transmission power [6]. Power assignment for wireless ad hoc networks is to assign a power for each wireless node such that the induced communication graph has some required properties. Recently research efforts have focused on finding the minimum power assignment to guarantee the connectivity or fault-tolerance of the network [7]. Three energy efficient techniques to reduce energy consumption at protocol level. The first technique conserves energy by reducing number of route request packet while other two techniques suggest different approach to achieve that[5].

### B. Motivation for cross-layer design

Cross-layer design is the promising and improvement of performance in the wireless technology. Cross-layer optimization defines a general concept of communication between layers, considering certain smart interactions between them, and resulting in network performance improvements. It aims in coupling the functionality of network layers with the goal of boosting system-wide performance. Traditional approach concerning OSI layered

model can recognize a subset of possible cross-layer interactions.

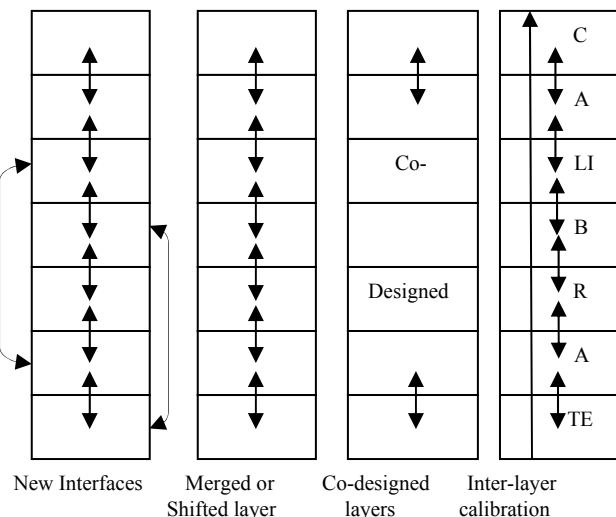


Fig. 1. Creation of Cross-layer design

In Fig. 1. Cross-layer or interlayer networking can be considered as one in which different layers of the network protocol stack inter-communicate the useful information so as to collectively achieve the desired vertical optimization goal. For the sake of QoS (quality of service) requirements varying with applications, the network or higher layers function should directly base on the information from the lower physical and MAC layers. Our work focuses MAC and network layer power control mechanisms. So many possible cross-layering designs can work in the wireless network but this work deals the cross- layer from physical to transport layer.

### Steps:

- 1) First the new interfaces are created in the protocol stack.
- 2) Merging of shifted layers is done.
- 3) Merged layers are designed in the stack.
- 4) Inter-layer communication takes place using the shared information in the protocol stack

### Design:

- 1) There exists the direct coupling between the physical and the upper layer.
- 2) In Cross-layer design, only to meet the fast growing demands.
- 3) Cross-layer design required to integrate all the layers.

Cross-layer design is not a non-layered or single-layered design.

### C. Energy management in LOADPOWER network

The below Fig. 2. Shows that energy management schemes. It broadly classified into three categories battery power management, transmission power management and system management. Our work focus on transmission power using both MAC and network layer cross- layer. MAC layer power control IEEE802.11b is a set of 802.11 that provides wireless transmission in wireless connectivity. Network layer provides a efficient power routing to optimize transmission power.

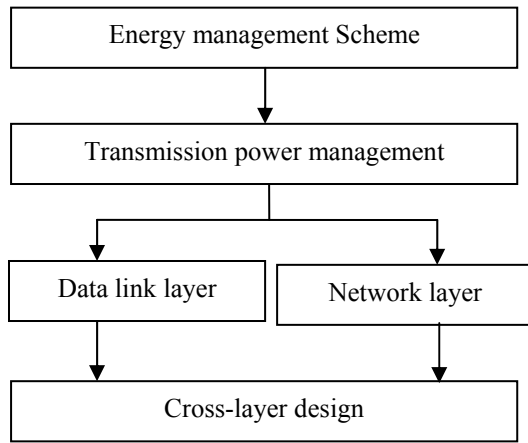


Fig. 2. LOADPOWER energy scheme

#### D. Need for Power Management in Wireless Networks

Power management and transmission power assignment is more crucial in wireless technology. Consider the network with node A, B, C, D, E, F, and G in Fig. 3.

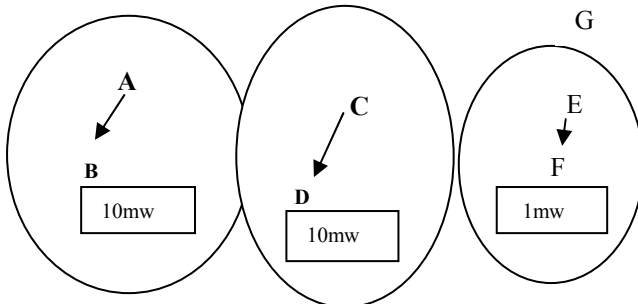


Fig. 3. Power management in wireless network

- 1) Consider the network with 7 nodes A, B, C, D, E, F, and G and the communication range is specified for all the nodes present in the network.
- 2) Node A and Node C are transmitting at higher power level than node E. Communication only done between node A and node B or node C and node D. Otherwise collision may occur.
- 3) Node E communicates with Node F with lower power level and node G in the carrier sensing range in the network.
- 4) Carrier sensing range is two times than the transmission range  
Carrier sensing range = 2times X Transmission range.
- 5) When A want to communicate B with higher power level, consequently E communicate with F with lower power level, it leads to collision.

### III. BACKGROUND AND RELATED WORK

#### A. Power assignment and transmission scheduling

According to [3]. Transmission scheduling algorithm must have two components to solve the two sub problems of power assignment and transmission scheduling. Two

types of downlink data transmission scheduling algorithms are proposed. In the first type, power assignment is performed before transmission scheduling. In the second type, power assignment is performed after transmission scheduling. The performances of two algorithms of the first type which use the equal power allocation method are analyzed. It is shown that both algorithms exhibit excellent worst-case performance and asymptotically optimal average-case performance under the condition that the total transmission power is equally allocated to the channels. In general, both algorithms exhibit excellent average-case performance. It is demonstrated that two algorithms of the second type perform better than the two algorithms of the first type due to the equal time power allocation method.

#### 1) Power Assignment – EQ (Equal Power allocation)

First type of downlink data transmission scheduling algorithms are developed based on the method of equal power (EP) allocation. If the total transmission power  $P$  is equally allocated to the  $C$  channels and the  $n$  transmission requests in refer “(1),”

$$P_i = \gamma = P / C \quad (1)$$

for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , where  $i$  is the average power per channel.

#### 2) Power Assignment – ET (Equal Time Allocation)

Second type of data transmission scheduling algorithm based on the observation. In an optimal schedule, all the channels 1, 2, ...,  $C$  complete their data transmissions simultaneously. The above theorem is easy to prove. Assume that  $(s_i, d_i)$  is the last completed transmission request which is allocated power  $p_i$ , and  $(s_j, d_j)$  is the second last completed transmission request which is allocated power  $p_j$ . It is clear that we can always increase  $p_i$  and reduce  $p_j$  such that the two transmissions are finished at the same time and that the total transmission time is reduced in refer “(2),” Therefore, we need to find  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_C$  and  $T$  such that in

$$T1(p1) = T2(p2) = \dots = TC(pC) = T \quad (2)$$

#### B. Power allocation in Multi-user relay network

According to [4] Multi-user single relay wireless network, where the relay facilitates transmissions of the users' signals to the destination. Consider a wireless network with  $N$  users communicating with their destinations with the help of one relay as shown in Fig. 3. Denote the channel from User  $i$  to the relay as  $f_i$ , the channel from User  $i$  to Destination  $i$  (the direct link) as  $h_i$ , and the channel from the relay to Destination  $i$  as  $g_i$ . We consider two channel models in this paper, Rayleigh flat fading channel and path-loss channel

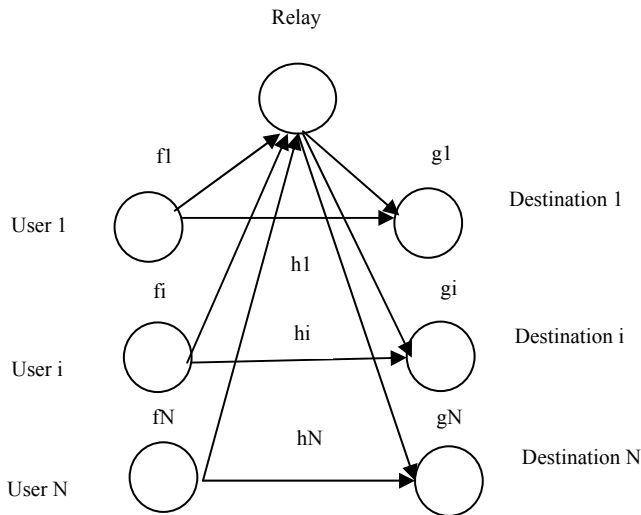


Fig. 4. Multi-user relay network.

#### IV. PROPOSED NETWORK – PW<sub>MIN</sub> AND PW<sub>MAX</sub> FOR LOAD POWER CONTROL TRANSMISSION POWER ASSIGNMENT ALGORITHM

According to Fig. 5. The Load power domain is running in the network layer  $R(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ . Each node in the LOAD POWER network find out the individual power level, when the transmission takes place. In this work power allocation done both in MAC and network layer using cross-layer design. RSSI is calculates received signal strength in received nodes in network. Each node assigns its individual power according to the  $P_{min}$  and  $P_{max}$  power control technique. The transmission power is set for the data packets and the power level is changed for every individual packet in the network. In the network layer, the power route module consists of DEST, NEXTOP, METRIC and TXPOWER and AC

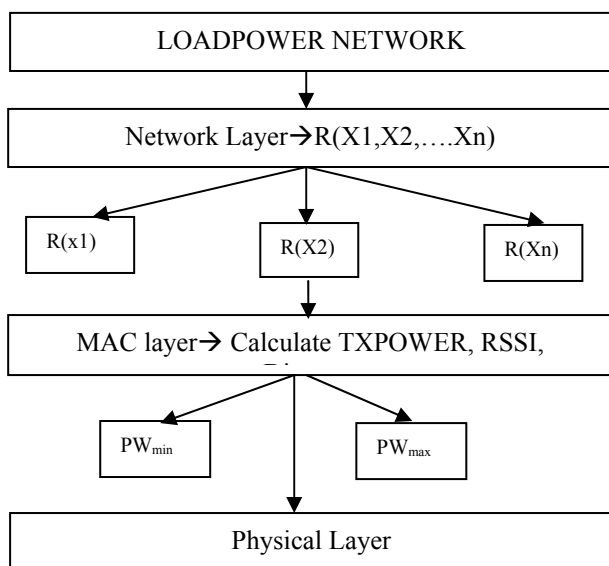


Fig. 5. Cross-layer design of LOADPOWER network model.

Power balancing algorithm is used to balance the nodes participate in the overall networks. Clustering technique is used to balance the network nodes. Power assignment with power balancing also done in this cross-layer design. The

following transmission assignment algorithm proves power level can be changes due to the heterogeneity in the network. For Example when node A want to send the Transmission Power to B with high power level but not necessary when B send A to the same power value

##### A. Path loss model

The basic power loss model that we use is a simplification of the one proposed in the path loss of a wireless link can be represented by the difference between the transmit power  $PW_{tx}$  and receive power  $PW_{rx}$  in refer "(3)",

$$Path Loss = PW_{tx} - PW_{rx} \quad (3)$$

In this expression, we are grouping a variety of effects, including multipath fading, shadowing, and path loss, under the general term "Path Loss". This term describes the collective effect of these individual wireless loss mechanisms in reducing the transmitted power down to the received signal strength.

##### B. Algorithm – Assignment of transmission power

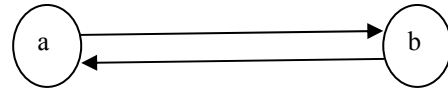


Fig. 6. Transmission from A to B

Fig. 6. Shows that assignment of transmission power from A to B and B to A. Sender sends a packet to B with higher power  $PW_{max}$  and receiver sends lower power level

$$PW_{min}.PW(AB) \neq PW(BA) \quad (4)$$

In Asymmetric link transmission power used in assignment power refers "(4)".

Source:

1. Listen for the packet for the optimal transmission power level
2. Assign the transmit power for the receiver

Destination:

1. Receive the data packets from the source, calculate the RSSI of the packet from the source node
  2. If(sender is not ready in the list of nodes for which RSSI is unknown
    - {
    - Add the sender to the list then record RSSI
    - }
  3. If(sender is on the list of the node for which the initial transmission power of the sender is unknown)
    - {
    - Then use the initial transmission power of sender in step 4.
    - }
- Else

- ```

{
    Still need control packets from sender
    with record of the initial transmission power
    Exit
}
4. Calculate the new optimal transmission power level
    $T_{opt}$ 
5. Update the table with the newly calculated power
    $T_{opt}$ 
6. Send the new  $T_{opt}$  to sender if RSSI has changed
   significantly of there is a time out.

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#### C. Algorithm for $PW_{min}$ and $PW_{max}$ transmission power assignment Technique in single hop wireless network

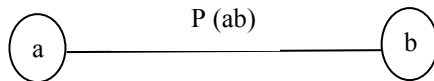


Fig. 7. Power control technique- single hop network

Fig. 7. Shows algorithm for single hop wireless network.

Input: Single hop wireless network N  
Output: Finding the power level for a to b  
Begin  
for each P (ab) do  
Calculate the  $PW_{min}$  (a) and  $PW_{max}$  (a) and also /\* for node a  
Calculate the  $PW_{min}$  (b) and  $PW_{max}$  (b) /\* for node b  
Calculate the P (ab) by Euclidean distance  
Transmit the min or max power from a to b /\* a find the  
optimal power level to b  
End

#### D. Algorithm for $PW_{min}$ and $PW_{max}$ transmission power assignment Technique in multi hop wireless network

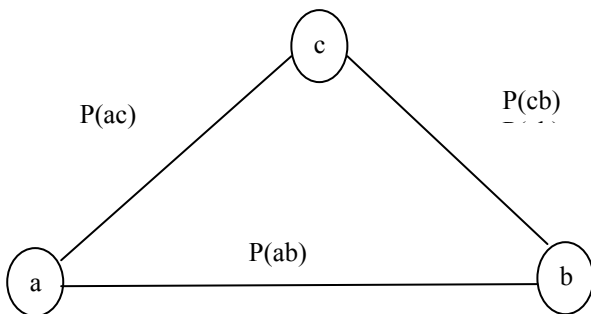


Fig. 8. Power control Technique – Multi-hop network.

In Fig. 8. Shows the power control algorithm in multi-hop network

Input: Multi hop wireless network N  
Output: Finding the power level for a to b  
Begin  
for each P (ab) do  
Calculate the  $PW_{min}$  (a) and  $PW_{max}$  (a) and also /\* for node a  
Calculate the  $PW_{min}$  (b) and  $PW_{max}$  (b) /\* for node b  
Calculate the P (ab) by Euclidean distance  
If  $p(ac) + p(cb) \leq p(ab)$   
then transmits with p (ac) for b

else transmits with p (ab) for b  
End.

#### E. Euclidean distance

Euclidean distance is distance between two points, two nodes such as sender transmission power  $PW_{rx}$  and the receiver transmission power  $PW_{tx}$  can be calculated by Euclidean distance. It is used to measuring the distance between the sender and receiver in the wireless network environment.

Distance between  $PW_{tx}$  and  $PW_{rx}$  for two nodes a and b is denoted by,

$$a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$$

$$b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$$

Equation, “5” and “6”, the distance between a to b and b to a is denoted by,

$$d(a, b) = d(b, a) = \sqrt{(a_1 - b_1)^2 + (a_2 - b_2)^2 + \dots + (a_n - b_n)^2} \quad (5)$$

$$= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i - b_i)^2} \quad (6)$$

## V. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### A. Throughput, Delay for LOADPOW Protocol

LOADPOW Throughput - Time (Vs) Number of Packets

In Fig. 9. LOADPOW Protocol throughput for varies for source and destination. In our simulation, considering 3 sources and destination.

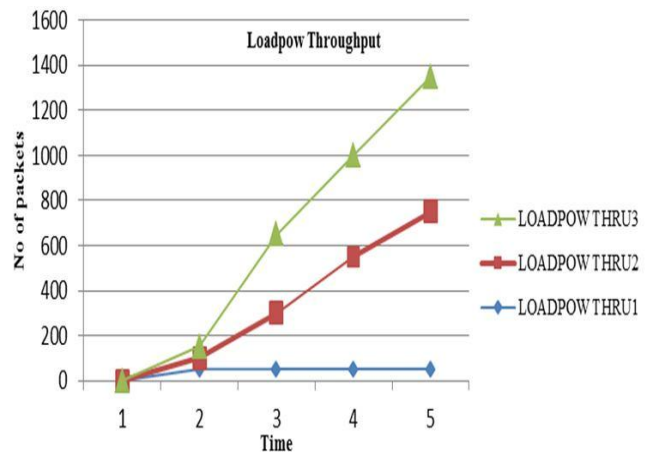


Fig. 9. LOADPOW Throughput

Based on the source and destination throughput differs in throughput. First and source and destination increases the throughput based on transmission power and Asymmetric routes. But the final source and destination decreases the throughput due to lower transmission power. But the overall throughput is increasing in LOADPOW Protocol.

### B. LOADPOW Delay – Time (Vs) Number of Packets

In Fig. 10. LOADPOW Delay considering 3 sources and destinations. Delay varies for various source and destination. Delay varies according to transmission power. In LOADPOW it uses the independent power, but first source and destination increases the delay and the second and third decreases the delay. So the overall delay is reduces the end to end delay in the network.

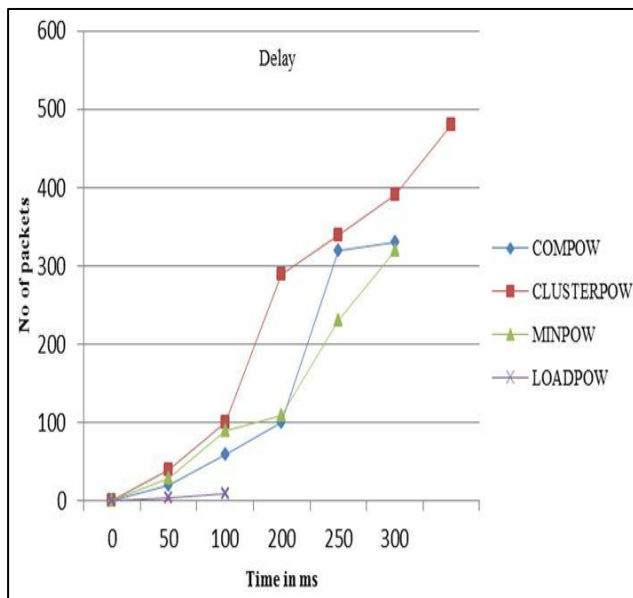


Fig. 10. LOADPOW Delay

## VI. CONCLUSION

Transmission power assignment algorithm in wireless network is more important due to the mobility of the network infrastructure. This paper shows how to assign the power in single and multihop wireless network. Dealing with network load, RSS, Path loss model in cross-layer design. The decentralized network without load balancing leads to network partitioning, route reliability, link failure and retransmission occurs. This power control Cross-layer design used for communicating information among the intermediate layers. Trivial node selection is the method of identifying the unbalanced nodes and the network to optimize the power. The particular node load balancing plays as a Hotspot in the network region as a future enhancement in power control ad hoc network.

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