

# Robotics

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## Organization and Overview

**Period:** February 15th - May 10th 2019  
**Time:** Friday 09.00 – 10.45  
**Place:** LIACS, Room 401 (Workshops Room 303)  
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### Schedule:

15-2	Introduction and Overview
22-2	Locomotion and Inverse Kinematics
1-3	Sensors and Algorithms
8-3	<i>SLAM Workshop I and Yetiborg Introduction</i>
15-3	<i>Project Proposals (presentation by students)</i>
22-3	<i>ROS Workshop II and Yetiborg Qualification</i>
29-3	Robotics Image Processing
5-4	<i>Yetiborg Race and/or Nao Workshop III</i>
12-4	Robotics Image Processing and Understanding
19-4	No Class
26-4	Robotics Reinforcement Learning.
3-5	Robotics Reinforcement Learning Workshop IV
10-5	<b>Project Demos (by students)</b>

Website: <http://liacs.leidenuniv.nl/~bakkerem2/robotics/>

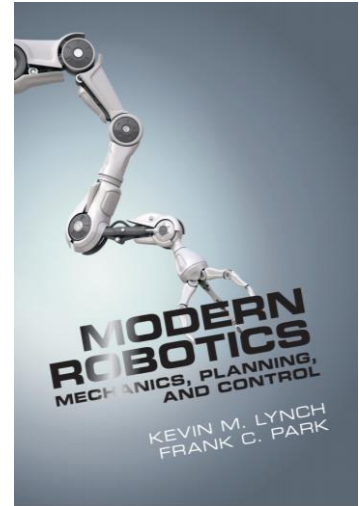


**Grading (6 ECTS):** Presentations and Robotics Project (60% of grade). Class discussions, attendance, workshops and assignments (40% of grade). It is necessary to be at every class and to complete every workshop.

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# Overview

- Robotic Actuators
- Configuration Space
- Rigid Body Motion
- Forward Kinematics
- Inverse Kinematics
  
- Link: <http://modernrobotics.org>

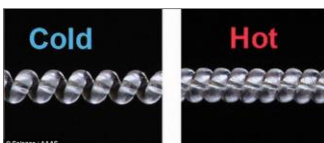
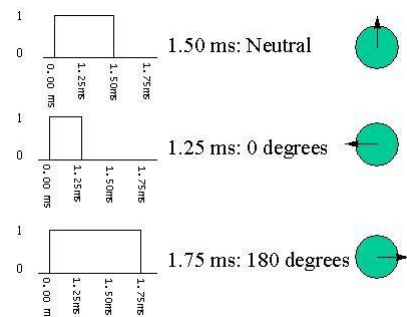


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# Robotics Actuators

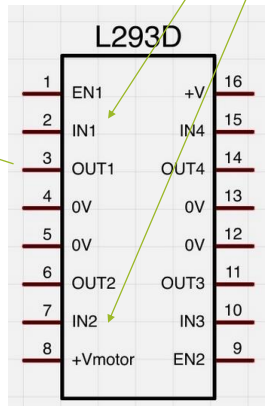
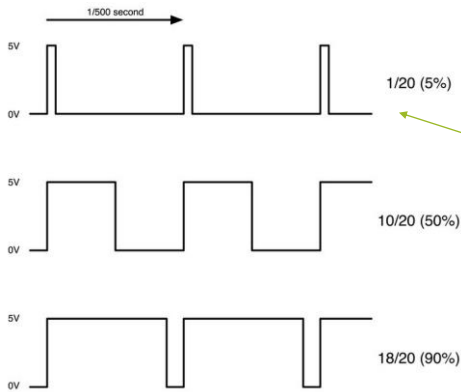
- Electro motors
- Servo's
- Stepper Motors
- Brushless motors
- Solenoids
- Hydraulic, pneumatic actuator's
- Magnetic actuators
- Artificial Muscles
- Etc.



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# Robotics Actuators:

- Electro motors



```
import RPi.GPIO as io
io.setmode(io.BCM)

in1_pin = 4
in2_pin = 17

io.setup(in1_pin, io.OUT)
io.setup(in2_pin, io.OUT)

def set(property, value):
    try:
        f = open("/sys/class/rpi-pwm/pwm0/" + property, 'w')
        f.write(value)
        f.close()
    except:
        print("Error writing to: " + property + " value: " + value)

set("delayed", "0")
set("mode", "pwm")
set("frequency", "500")
set("active", "1")

def clockwise():
    io.output(in1_pin, True)
    io.output(in2_pin, False)

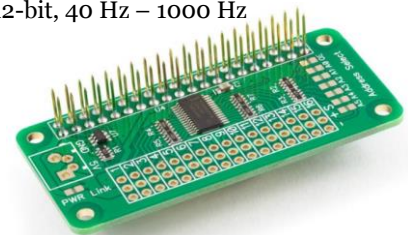
def counter_clockwise():
    io.output(in1_pin, False)
    io.output(in2_pin, True)

clockwise()

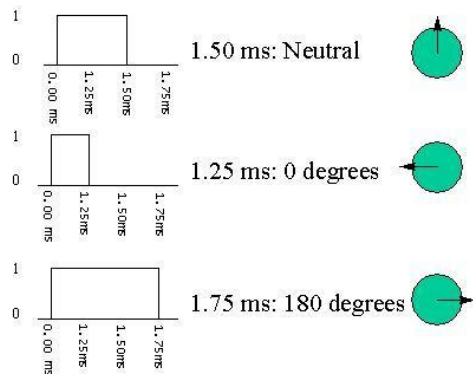
while True:
    cmd = raw_input("Command, f/r 0..9, E.g. f5 :)")
    direction = cmd[0]
    if direction == "f":
        clockwise()
    else:
        counter_clockwise()
    speed = int(cmd[1]) * 11
    set("duty", str(speed))
```

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# Servo's



16-ch, 12-bit, 40 Hz – 1000 Hz



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# Servo's

### DYNAMIXEL X-Series Performance Comparison

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XL430-W250	1.5	60
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XM430-W210	3.0	75
XH430-V350	3.5	30
XH430-W350	4.0	45
MX-64A	6.0	65
XH540-V150	6.5	60
XM540-W150	7.5	55
MX-106	8.5	45
XH540-V270	9.5	35
XH540-W270	10.0	40
XM540-W270	10.5	30

All-in-one structure  
Reduction Gear + Controller + Driver + Network = Dynamixel

### Flexible Construction and Modular Structures

Daisy chain Link  
Main Controller  
Status Display LED  
Instruction Packet(ID=N)  
Status Packet(ID=N)

### STALL TORQUE @ MAX (KG-CM)

Model	Speed (RPM)	Stall Torque @ MAX (KG-CM)
MX-106	55	100
MX-64	80	75
RX-64	70	55
MX-28	65	35
RX-28	85	40
AX-12A	60	20
AX-18A	100	20
RX-24F	125	25
AX-12W	470	15

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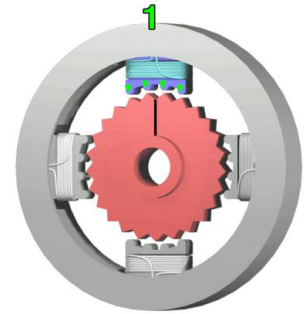
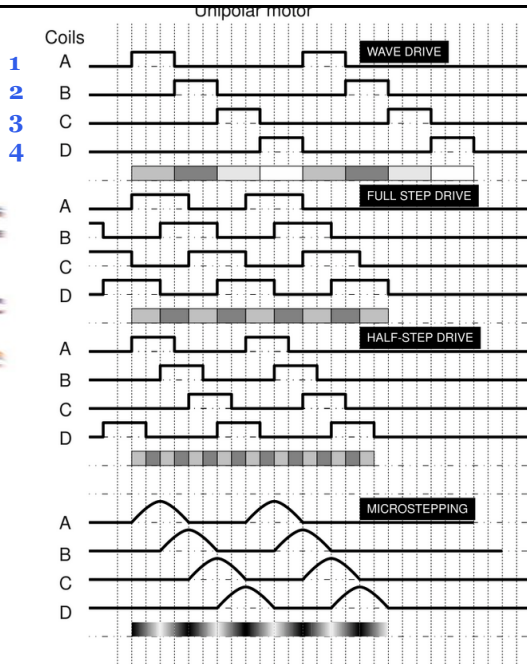
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# Robotics Actuators



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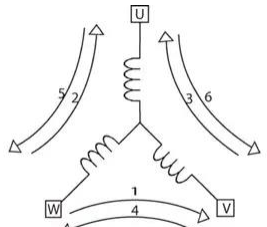
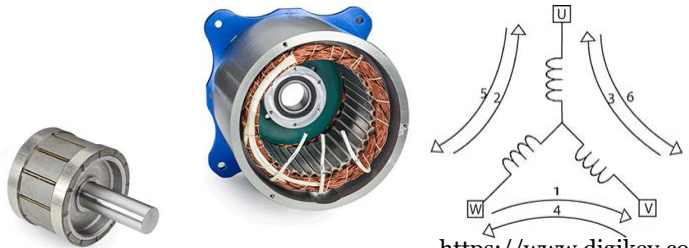
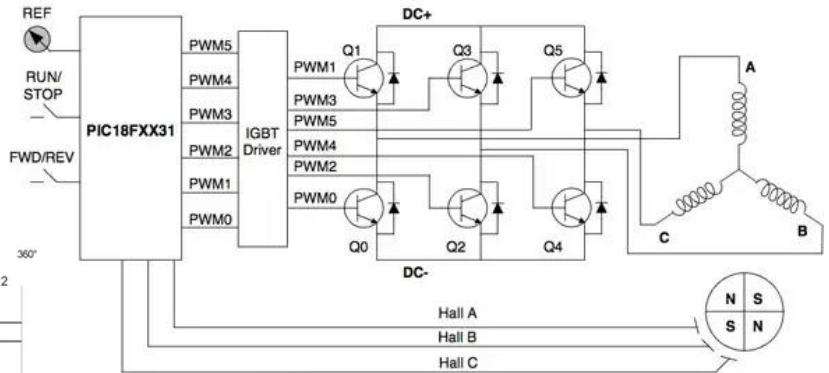
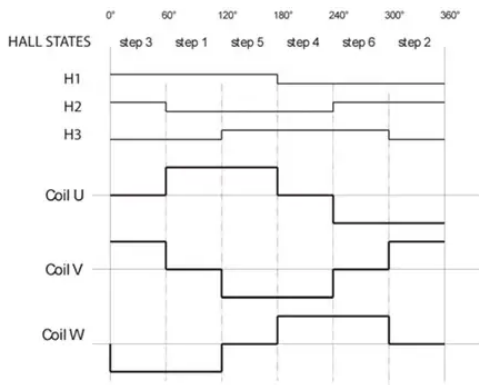
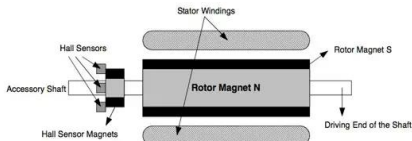
- Stepper motors
- Drivers: low-level, high level



By Wapcaplet; Teravolt. (Wikipedia)

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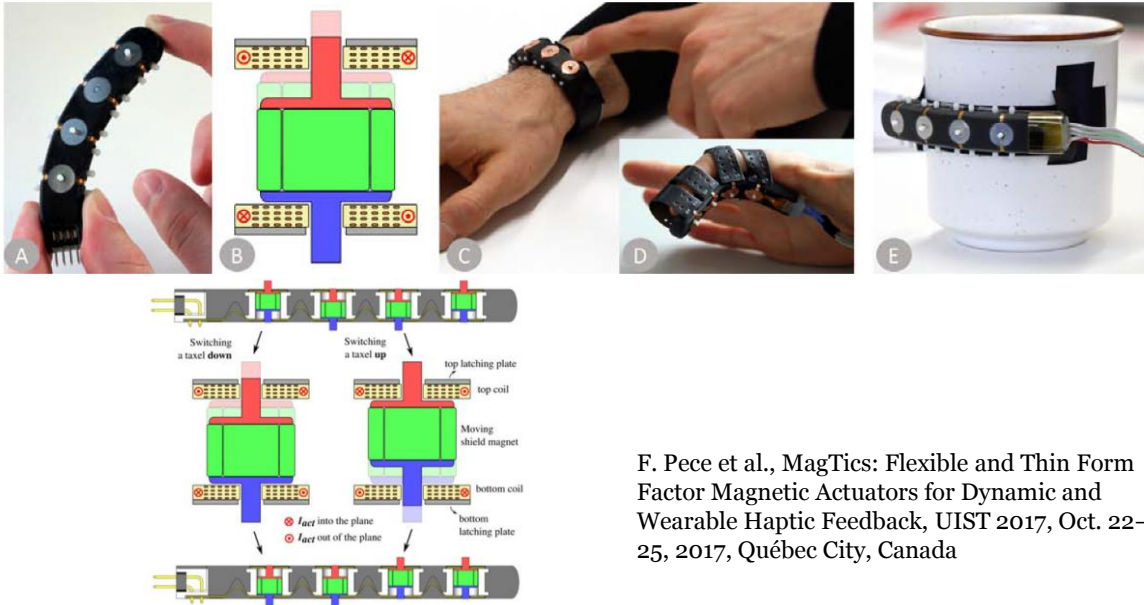
# Brushless Motors



<https://www.digikey.com>

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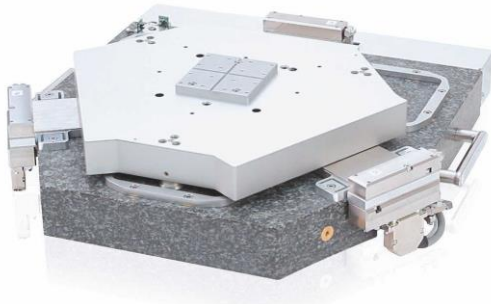
## Flexible Magnetic Actuators



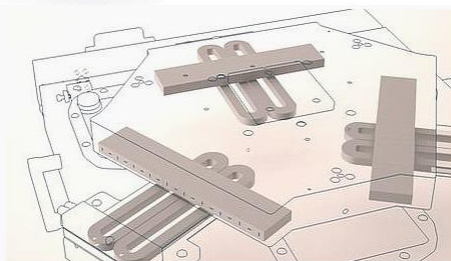
F. Pece et al., MagTics: Flexible and Thin Form Factor Magnetic Actuators for Dynamic and Wearable Haptic Feedback, UIST 2017, Oct. 22–25, 2017, Québec City, Canada

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## Robotics Actuators



- 6D Magnetic Control
- <https://www.pi-usa.us>
- pimag-6d-magnetic-levitation

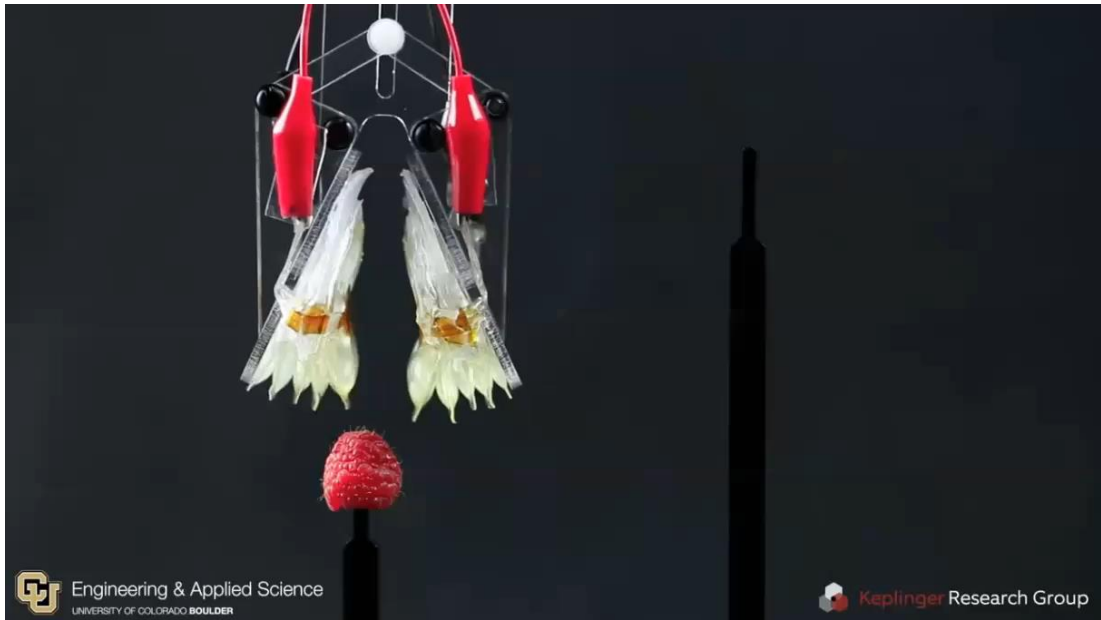


Simple structure: The platform levitates on a magnetic field generated by only six planar coils in the stator



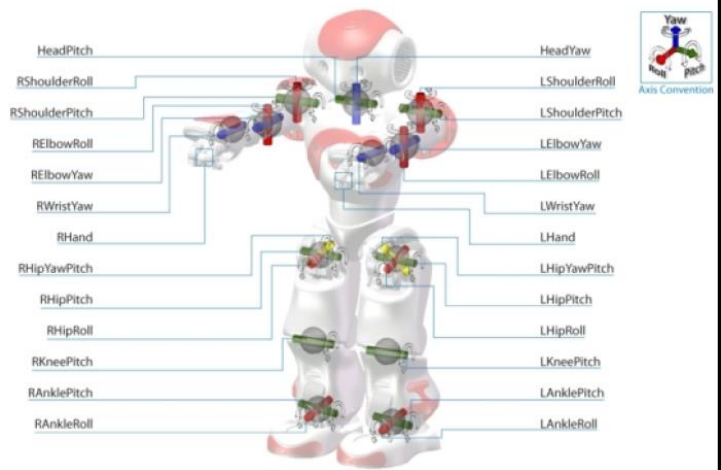
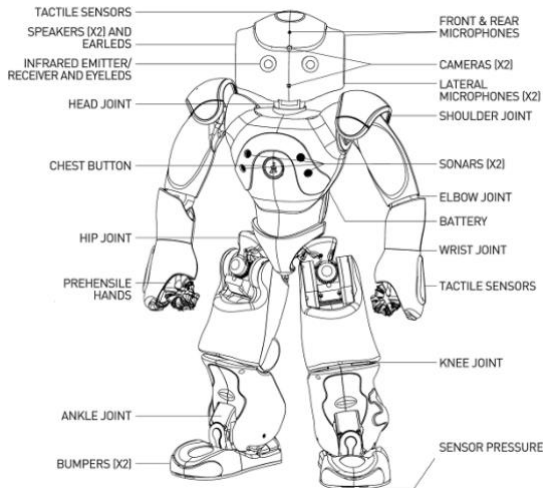
The Halbach arrangement of the magnets makes it possible, to minimize the energy required by the active coils in the stator for carrying the platform, to increase the load carrying capacity and to reduce thermal load

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# NAO



[http://doc.aldebaran.com/2-1/family/nao\\_dcm/actuator\\_sensor\\_names.html](http://doc.aldebaran.com/2-1/family/nao_dcm/actuator_sensor_names.html)

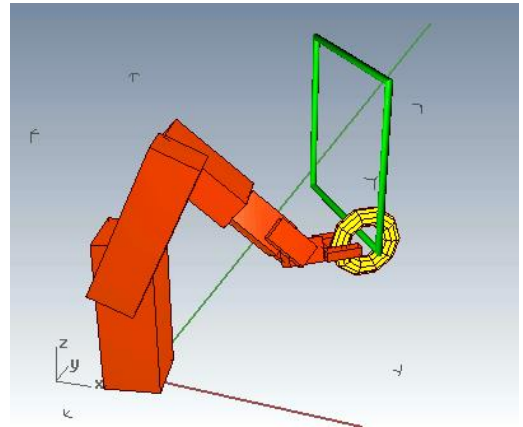
# How to move to a goal?

## Problem: How to move to a goal?

- Grasp, Walk, Stand, Dance, Follow, etc.

## Solution:

- Program step by step.
- Inverse kinematics: take end-points and move them to designated points.
- Trace movements by specialist, human, etc.
- **Learn the right movements:**  
Reinforcement Learning, give a reward when the movement resembles the designated movement.



<https://pybullet.org/wordpress/>

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# Configuration Space

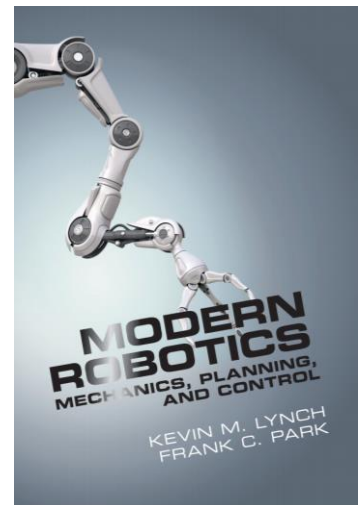
Robot Question: Where am I?

Answer:

The robot's configuration: a specification of the positions of all points of a robot.

Here we assume:

Robot links and bodies are rigid and of known shape => only a few variables needed to describe it's configuration.

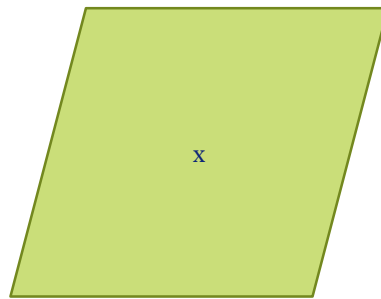


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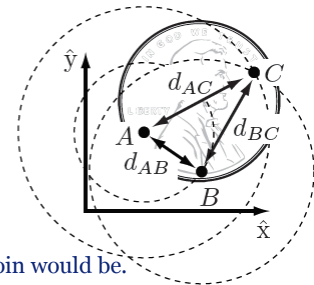


- Degrees of Freedom of a Rigid Body: the smallest number of real-valued coordinates needed to represent its configuration

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# Configuration Space

Assume we have a coin with 3 points A, B, C on it.



In the plane A,B,C by themselves would have

6 degrees of freedom:  $(x_A, y_A)$ ,  $(x_B, y_B)$ ,  $(x_C, y_C)$

A coin is rigid => 3 constraints:  $d_{AB}$ ,  $d_{AC}$ ,  $d_{BC}$  are fixed, wherever the location of the coin would be.

1. The coin and hence A can be placed everywhere =>  $(x_A, y_A)$  free to choose.
2. B can only be placed under the constraint that its distance to A would be equal to  $d_{AB}$ . => We have the freedom to turn the coin around A with angle  $\phi_{AB}$  =>  $(x_A, y_A, \phi_{AB})$  are free to choose.
3. Now the constraints that C should be placed at distance  $d_{AC}$ ,  $d_{BC}$  from A and B, respectively gives only 1 possibility once head or tail is determined => no degree of freedom added.

Degrees of Freedom (DOF) of a Coin

= sum of freedoms of the points – number of independent constraints

= number of variables – number of independent equations =  $6 - 3 = 3$

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