

A normal space Z with $\text{ind } Z=0$, $\text{dim } Z=1$, $\text{Ind } Z=2$

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This paper gives a normal (Hausdorff) space Z for which three basic dimension functions are different from each other: $\text{ind } Z=0$, $\text{dim } Z=1$ and $\text{Ind } Z=2$. As for the definition of three dimension functions see J. Nagata [7, p. 9]. The idea developed by P. Vopenka [9] as well as the one by C. H. Dowker [1] are the main tool in our construction.

Let ω_1 be the first uncountable ordinal, $J = \{\alpha : 0 \leq \alpha < \omega_1\}$ and $J^* = \{\alpha : 0 \leq \alpha \leq \omega_1\}$, where J and J^* have the usual interval topology. Let I be the unit interval $[0,1]$. By Dowker [1] there exist subsets I_α , $\alpha < \omega_1$, of I such that i) $I_\alpha \subset I_\beta$ if $\alpha < \beta$, ii) $\text{dim } I_\alpha = 0$ for each α , iii) $\cup I_\alpha = I$ and iv) each I_α is dense in I . By Nagami [5] there exist a separable metric space C with $\text{dim } C = 0$ and an open continuous mapping f of C onto I . Let M be a discrete space whose power $|M|$ is \aleph_1 . Consider the disjoint sum T of I and $C \times M \times I$ and introduce into T the topology due to Vopenka [9] as follows:

- i) An open set of $C \times M \times I$ with the usual product topology is open in T .
- ii) If U is an open set in I and if K is a finite subset of M , then $U \cup (f^{-1}(U) \times (M - K) \times I)$ is open in T .

Then T with the above basic open sets is a Hausdorff space. Set

$$T_\alpha = I_\alpha \cup (f^{-1}(I_\alpha) \times M \times I_\alpha), \quad \alpha < \omega_1.$$

The point set Z is the sum of all $\{\alpha\} \times T_\alpha$, $\alpha < \omega_1$. The topology of Z is the relative topology of the product space $J^* \times T$. We identify T with $\{\omega_1\} \times T$. π' is the projection of $J^* \times T$ onto T . Set $\pi = \pi' | Z$. ρ' is the projection of $J^* \times T$ onto J^* . Set $\rho = \rho' | Z$. If E is a subset of Z and J' is a subset of J , then $[E]_{J'}$ denotes the intersection of E and $\rho^{-1}(J')$. If x is a point of I and ε is a positive number, then $S_\varepsilon(x)$ denotes an open ε -sphere in I with the center x .

LEMMA 1. *Let X be a non-empty metric space. Then there exist subsets X_α , $\alpha < \omega_1$ such that i) $X_\alpha \subset X_\beta$ if $\alpha < \beta$, ii) $\text{dim } X_\alpha = 0$ and iii) $\cup X_\alpha = X$. If X_α satisfy this condition let Y be the subspace of $J \times X$ which is the sum of all $\{\alpha\} \times X_\alpha$, $\alpha < \omega_1$. Then Y is a normal space such that*

- i) $\text{ind } Y = 0$.

ii) $\text{Ind } Y = \text{dim } Y = \text{dim } X$.

The first half of the lemma is Nagami [6, Theorem 2]. The last half is proved by the analogous argument in Dowker [1]. It is to be noticed that the special case of this lemma where X is separable metric was proved by Yu. M. Smirnov [8].

The following lemma was proved by Vopenka [9, Proposition 1.3] for the case when X is compact. Our proof is nothing but an extraction of his. The author is kind enough for English-reading mathematicians.

LEMMA 2. *Let X be a normal space and Y a non-empty closed set of X which satisfy the following conditions:*

i) *For any open neighborhood U of Y there exists an open and closed neighborhood V of Y with $V \subset U$.*

ii) *There exists a retraction φ of X onto Y*

iii) $\text{Ind } Y \leq m$.

iv) *If F is a closed set of X with $F \cap Y = \emptyset$, then $\text{Ind } F \leq n$. Then $\text{Ind } X \leq m+n$.*

PROOF. We prove this by induction on $\text{Ind } Y$. Since the proof for the starting case when $\text{Ind } Y=0$ is completely similar to general case, we merely prove the lemma under the assumption that the lemma is true when $\text{Ind } Y < m$.

Let now $\text{Ind } Y \leq m$. Let H be a closed set of X and W be an open set of X with $H \subset W$. Take a relatively open set G of Y with $H \cap Y \subset G \subset \bar{G} \subset W \cap Y$ and with $\text{Ind}(\bar{G}-G) \leq m-1$. Set $X' = \varphi^{-1}(\bar{G}-G)$ and $Y' = \bar{G}-G$. Then it can easily be seen that the condition of the lemma is satisfied if X, Y and m are replaced by X', Y' and $m-1$ respectively. Hence by induction assumption $\text{Ind } X' \leq m+n-1$. Let V be an open and closed neighborhood of Y with

$$V \cap ((\varphi^{-1}(\bar{G})-W) \cup (H-\varphi^{-1}(G))) = \emptyset.$$

Let D_1 be an open set of $X-V$ such that

i) $H-V \subset D_1 \subset \bar{D}_1 \subset W-V$

ii) $\text{Ind}(\bar{D}_1-D_1) \leq n-1$.

Set $D_2 = V \cap \varphi^{-1}(G)$. Then $H \cap V \subset D_2 \subset \bar{D}_2 \subset W \cap V$. Since $\bar{D}_2-D_2 \subset X'$, $\text{Ind}(\bar{D}_2-D_2) \leq m+n-1$. Set $D = D_1 \cup D_2$. Then $\bar{D}-D$ is the disjoint union of \bar{D}_1-D_1 and \bar{D}_2-D_2 . Hence

$$\text{Ind}(\bar{D}-D) \leq \max(n-1, m+n-1) = m+n-1.$$

Moreover $H \subset D \subset \bar{D} \subset W$. Therefore $\text{Ind } X \leq m+n$ and the proof is finished.

The following is the special case of Morita [3, Footnote, p. 164] or Nagami [4, Theorem 3], since a regular space with the Lindelöf property has the star-finite property by Morita [2].

LEMMA 3. *If X is a normal space with the Lindelöf property, then $\text{dim } X \cong \text{ind } X$.*

Now let us prove that Z is the desired one by several steps.

I) To prove the normality of Z let F and H be a pair of disjoint closed sets of Z . Take an arbitrary point x of I . Both F and H cannot be cofinal on $\pi^{-1}(x)$ at the same time. Suppose that H is not cofinal on $\pi^{-1}(x)$. Then there exists $\alpha(x)$ such that $[\pi^{-1}(x)]_{\alpha(x)} \neq \phi$ and

$$[\pi^{-1}(x)]_{[\alpha(x), \omega_1]} \cap H = \phi.$$

For every β with $\alpha(x) < \beta < \omega_1$ let $\varepsilon(\beta)$ be the largest positive number for which there exist γ with $\alpha(x) \leq \gamma < \beta$ and a finite subset K_β of M such that

$$[\pi^{-1}(S_{\varepsilon(\beta)}(x) \cup (f^{-1}(S_{\varepsilon(\beta)}(x)) \times (M - K_\beta) \times I))]_{(\gamma, \beta]} \cap H = \phi.$$

Then it is easy to see that

$$\varepsilon(x) = \inf \{ \varepsilon(\beta) : \alpha(x) < \beta < \omega_1 \}$$

is positive. Set

$$K_x = \{ \lambda : \lambda \in M, [\pi^{-1}(f^{-1}(S_{\varepsilon(x)}(x)) \times \{ \lambda \} \times I)]_{(\alpha(x), \omega_1]} \cap H \neq \phi \}.$$

To prove K_x is a finite set assume the contrary. Then there exist a countably infinite subset $\{ \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots \}$ of K_x and a sequence $\alpha(x) < \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq \dots$ such that

$$[\pi^{-1}(f^{-1}(S_{\varepsilon(x)}(x)) \times \{ \lambda_i \} \times I)]_{\alpha_i} \cap H \neq \phi.$$

Let $\alpha_0 = \lim \alpha_i$. Then for any δ with $\alpha(x) \leq \delta < \alpha_0$ and for any finite subset K of M ,

$$[\pi^{-1}(f^{-1}(S_{\varepsilon(x)}(x)) \times (M - K) \times I)]_{(\delta, \alpha_0]} \cap H \neq \phi,$$

which is a contradiction. Thus K_x is finite and

$$[\pi^{-1}(S_{\varepsilon(x)}(x) \cup (f^{-1}(S_{\varepsilon(x)}(x)) \times (M - K_x) \times I))]_{(\alpha(x), \omega_1]}$$

does not meet H .

II) By I) for every $x \in I$ we have a positive number $\varepsilon(x)$, an ordinal $\alpha(x) < \omega_1$ and a finite subset K_x of M such that $[\pi^{-1}(x)]_{\alpha(x)} \neq \phi$ and

$$\{ [\pi^{-1}(S_{\varepsilon(x)}(x) \cup (f^{-1}(S_{\varepsilon(x)}(x)) \times (M - K_x) \times I))]_{(\alpha(x), \omega_1]} : x \in I \}$$

refines $\{Z - F, Z - H\}$. Take a finite subset $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ of I such that

$$\mathfrak{U} = \{ S_{\varepsilon(x_i)}(x_i) : i = 1, \dots, n \}$$

covers I . Set

$$K = \cup \{ K_{x_i} : i = 1, \dots, n \}.$$

Then K is a finite subset of M . Set

$$\beta_0 = \sup \{ \alpha(x_i) : i = 1, \dots, n \}.$$

Let

$$\mathfrak{B} = \{ V_1, \dots, V_m \}$$

be a finite open (in I) covering of I which is a Δ -refinement of \mathfrak{U} . We divide

Z into disjoint three parts Z_1, Z_2, Z_3 each of which is open in Z as follows:

$$Z_1 = [\pi^{-1}(I \cup (C \times (M-K) \times I))]_{(\beta_0, \omega_1)},$$

$$Z_2 = [\pi^{-1}(C \times K \times I)]_{(\beta_0, \omega_1)},$$

$$Z_3 = [Z]_{[0, \beta_0]},$$

$$Z = Z_1 \cup Z_2 \cup Z_3.$$

By construction

$$\bar{\mathfrak{B}} = \{[\pi^{-1}(V_i \cup (f^{-1}(V_i) \times (M-K) \times I))]_{(\beta_0, \omega_1)} : i = 1, \dots, m\}$$

Δ -refines $\{Z-F, Z-H\}$. Let D_1 and G_1 be respectively stars of F and H with respect to $\bar{\mathfrak{B}}$. Then $D_1 \cap G_1 = \phi$, $D_1 \supset F \cap Z_1$ and $G_1 \supset H \cap Z_1$. Since

$$[\pi^{-1}(C \times K \times I)]_{(\beta_0, \omega_1)}$$

is normal by Lemma 1, there exist open sets D_2 and G_2 of Z_2 such that $D_2 \cap G_2 = \phi$, $D_2 \supset F \cap Z_2$ and $G_2 \supset H \cap Z_2$.

III) Let us prove the normality of Z_3 . Let \mathfrak{B} be an arbitrary open covering of Z_3 . Consider an arbitrary ordinal α with $0 \leq \alpha \leq \beta_0$. By perfect separability of I there exist a sequence of open sets A_1, A_2, \dots of I , a sequence of ordinals β_1, β_2, \dots with $\beta_i < \alpha$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$, and a sequence of finite subsets K_1, K_2, \dots of M such that $\cup A_i = I$ and

$$\mathfrak{B}_1 = \{[\pi^{-1}(A_i \cup (f^{-1}(A_i) \times (M-K_i) \times I))]_{(\beta_i, \alpha)} : i = 1, 2, \dots\}$$

refines \mathfrak{B} . Set

$$M_1 = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} K_i.$$

Then M_1 is countable. Since $C \times M_1 \times I$ is perfectly separable, we can find a countable open collection \mathfrak{B}_2 of Z_3 such that i) \mathfrak{B}_2 refines \mathfrak{B} and ii) \mathfrak{B}_2 covers $[\pi^{-1}(C \times M_1 \times I)]_{\alpha}$. Thus we have a countable open collection $\mathfrak{B}_1 \vee \mathfrak{B}_2$ of Z_3 which covers $[Z]_{\alpha}$ and refines \mathfrak{B} . Since $[0, \beta_0]$ contains only a countable number of ordinals, \mathfrak{B} can be refined by a countable open covering of Z_3 , which shows that Z_3 has the Lindelöf property. Since Z_3 is evidently regular, Z_3 is normal by Morita [2]. There exist open sets D_3 and G_3 of Z_3 such that $D_3 \cap G_3 = \phi$, $D_3 \supset F \cap Z_3$ and $G_3 \supset H \cap Z_3$. Set

$$D = D_1 \cup D_2 \cup D_3,$$

$$G = G_1 \cup G_2 \cup G_3.$$

Then D and G are open sets of Z such that $D \cap G = \phi$, $D \supset F$ and $G \supset H$. Thus the normality of Z is established.

IV) It is evident that $\text{ind } Z=0$.

V) Let us show $\text{dim } Z=1$. $\text{dim } Z \geq 1$, because $\pi^{-1}(I)$ is a closed subset of Z and by Lemma 1 we already know that $\text{dim } \pi^{-1}(I)=1$. Since $T-I$ is

the sum of disjoint open metric subsets and hence $Z - \pi^{-1}(I)$ is a normal space with $\dim(Z - \pi^{-1}(I)) = 1$ by Lemma 1, $\dim Z \leq \max(\dim \pi^{-1}(I), \dim(Z - \pi^{-1}(I))) = 1$. Thus we have $\dim Z = 1$.

VI) Next task is to show $\text{Ind } Z \leq 2$. For any $\lambda \in M$,

$$\text{Ind } \pi^{-1}(C \times \{\lambda\} \times I) = 1$$

by Lemma 1. Here is a closed subset $\pi^{-1}(I)$ of Z with $\text{Ind } \pi^{-1}(I) = 1$. If A is any closed subset of Z with $A \cap \pi^{-1}(I) = \emptyset$, then $\text{Ind } A \leq 1$. If we can show the condition of Lemma 2 is satisfied, then we have $\text{Ind } Z \leq 2$. Let U be an arbitrary open set of Z with $U \supset \pi^{-1}(I)$. Set $H = Z - U$. By the same argument for H as in I) there exist a finite subset K of M and an ordinal $\xi < \omega_1$ such that

$$V_1 = [\pi^{-1}(I \cup (C \times (M - K) \times I))]_{\langle \xi, \omega_1 \rangle} \subset U.$$

V_1 is open and closed in Z . Since we already knew in III) that $[Z]_{\langle 0, \xi \rangle}$ is a normal space with the Lindelöf property,

$$\dim [Z]_{\langle 0, \xi \rangle} \leq \text{ind } [Z]_{\langle 0, \xi \rangle} = 0.$$

which implies

$$\dim [Z]_{\langle 0, \xi \rangle} = 0.$$

Hence there exists an open and closed subset V_2 of $[Z]_{\langle 0, \xi \rangle}$ such that

$$[\pi^{-1}(I)]_{\langle 0, \xi \rangle} \subset V_2 \subset [U]_{\langle 0, \xi \rangle}.$$

If we set $V = V_1 \cup V_2$, then V is an open and closed set of Z with $\pi^{-1}(I) \subset V \subset U$.

We define $\phi: T \rightarrow I$ as follows:

$$\phi(x) = x, \quad \text{if } x \in I,$$

$$\phi((c, \lambda, x)) = f(c), \quad \text{if } (c, \lambda, x) \in C \times M \times I.$$

Then ϕ is a retraction of T onto I . Define $\varphi: Z \rightarrow \pi^{-1}(I)$ as follows:

$$\varphi((\alpha, t)) = (\alpha, \phi(t)), \quad \text{where } \alpha \in J \text{ and } t \in T_\alpha.$$

Then φ is a retraction of Z onto $\pi^{-1}(I)$. By Lemma 2

$$\text{Ind } Z \leq 2.$$

VII) Let us show $\text{Ind } Z \geq 2$. Let 0 and 1 be the terminal points of I . It is to be noticed that there are 0 and 1 which are the first and the second ordinals of J . But there might not be serious confusion. $\pi^{-1}(0)$ and $\pi^{-1}(1)$ are disjoint closed sets of Z . We prove that any closed set separating these two sets has to have $\text{Ind} \geq 1$, which in turn will imply $\text{Ind } Z \geq 2$. Let P be an open set of Z with $\pi^{-1}(0) \subset P \subset \bar{P} \subset Z - \pi^{-1}(1)$. Set $B = \bar{P} - P$ and $Z - \bar{P} = Q$. We want to show $\text{Ind } B \geq 1$. Set

$$C_P = \{x : x \in I, P \text{ is cofinal on } \pi^{-1}(x)\},$$

$$C_Q = \{x : x \in I, Q \text{ is cofinal on } \pi^{-1}(x)\},$$

$$E_B = \{x : x \in I, B \text{ is equifinal on } \pi^{-1}(x)\}.$$

VIII) Suppose that $C_P \cap C_Q \neq \phi$. Take $h \in C_P \cap C_Q$. Since $0 \in C_Q$ and $1 \in C_P$, $0 < h < 1$. For any point $p \in \pi^{-1}(h) \cap P$ there exists a positive integer $i(p)$ such that

$$\text{i) } 1/i(p) < \min \{h, 1-h\},$$

$$\text{ii) } [\pi^{-1}(S_{1/i(p)}(h))]_{\rho(p)} \subset P.$$

Then there exists i such that

$$P_1 = \{p : i(p) = i\}$$

is cofinal. For every point $q \in \pi^{-1}(h) \cap Q$ there exists a positive integer $i(q)$ such that

$$\text{i) } 1/i(q) < \min \{h, 1-h\},$$

$$\text{ii) } [\pi^{-1}(S_{1/i(q)}(h))]_{\rho(q)} \subset Q.$$

Then there exists j such that

$$Q_1 = \{q : i(q) = j\}$$

is cofinal. Let

$$k = \max \{i, j\}.$$

Then

$$B_1 = \{z : z \in \pi^{-1}(h), [\pi^{-1}(S_{1/k}(h))]_{\rho(z)} \subset B\}$$

is cofinal. Moreover by the closedness of B , $\rho(B_1)$ is closed in J . Hence

$$B_2 = \cup \{[\pi^{-1}([h-1/(2k), h+1/(2k)])]_{\rho(z)} : z \in B_1\}$$

is a closed subset of B . By Lemma 1 $\text{Ind } B_2 = 1$. Hence

$$\text{Ind } B \geq \text{Ind } B_2 = 1.$$

IX) It is to be noticed that the above observation contains the assertion: Both C_P and C_Q are open in I . Since $E_B = I - (C_P \cup C_Q)$, E_B is closed in I .

X) Suppose that E_B is not nowhere dense in I . Then by the closedness of E_B , E_B contains a closed interval $I' \subset I$. To prove $\rho(\pi^{-1}(I') \cap P)$ is not cofinal assume the contrary. Then there exists a positive number ε such that

$$\rho(\{p : p \in \pi^{-1}(I') \cap P, [\pi^{-1}(S_\varepsilon(\pi(p)))]_{\rho(p)} \subset P\})$$

is cofinal. Then next there exists a closed sub-interval I'' of I' whose length is $\varepsilon/4$ such that

$$\{\alpha : [\pi^{-1}(I'')]_{\alpha} \subset P\}$$

is cofinal. We have now $I'' \subset C_P$ and hence $I'' \cap E_B = \phi$, a contradiction. Thus $\rho(\pi^{-1}(I') \cap P)$ is not cofinal. By the same reason $\rho(\pi^{-1}(I') \cap Q)$ is not cofinal.

Hence there exists $\eta \in J$ such that

$$B_\eta = [\pi^{-1}(I')]_{(\eta, \omega_1)} \subset B.$$

Since B_η is closed and $\text{Ind } B_\eta = 1$ by Lemma 1, $\text{Ind } B \geq 1$.

XI) Let us consider the last case when $C_P \cap C_Q = \phi$ and E_B is nowhere dense in I . Set

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \sup C_P, \\ b &= \inf C_Q. \end{aligned}$$

Since C_P and C_Q are disjoint open sets, $0 < a < 1$ and $0 < b < 1$. If $a < b$, then E_B contains the interval $[a, b]$, a contradiction. Hence $b \leq a$ and $a \in E_B$.

Let a_1, a_2, \dots be a monotonically increasing sequence of I such that i) $\sup a_i = a$ and ii) every $a_i \in C_P$. Let b_1, b_2, \dots be a monotonically decreasing sequence of I such that i) $\inf b_i = a$ and ii) every $b_i \in C_Q$. Such a sequence exists because we are now considering the case when E_B is nowhere dense. Let c be a point of $f^{-1}(a)$. Let η_1 be an ordinal $< \omega_1$ such that $[\pi^{-1}(a)]_{\eta_1} \neq \phi$. Set

$$J_1 = \{\alpha : \eta_1 < \alpha < \omega_1, [\pi^{-1}(a)]_\alpha \in \overline{\pi^{-1}(I) \cap P} \cap \overline{\pi^{-1}(I) \cap Q}\}.$$

To see that J_1 is cofinal in J let α_0 be an arbitrary ordinal with $\eta_1 < \alpha_0$. Then there exist a monotonically increasing sequence $\alpha_0 < \alpha_1 < \beta_1 < \alpha_2 < \beta_2 < \dots$, a sequence of points $p_i \in \pi^{-1}(a_i) \cap P$ and a sequence of points $q_i \in \pi^{-1}(b_i) \cap Q$ such that i) $\rho(p_i) = \alpha_i$ for every i and ii) $\rho(q_i) = \beta_i$ for every i . Then $\sup \alpha_i \in J_1$. It is almost evident that J_1 is closed in J .

XII) For every point $p \in \pi^{-1}(I) \cap P$ there exists a finite subset K_p of M such that

$$[\pi^{-1}(f^{-1}(\pi(p)) \times (M - K_p) \times I)]_{\rho(p)} \subset P.$$

For every point $q \in \pi^{-1}(I) \cap Q$ there exists a finite subset K_q of M such that

$$[\pi^{-1}(f^{-1}(\pi(q)) \times (M - K_q) \times I)]_{\rho(q)} \subset Q.$$

Set

$$\begin{aligned} M_1 &= \cup \{K_p : p \in \pi^{-1}(I) \cap P\}, \\ M_2 &= \cup \{K_q : q \in \pi^{-1}(I) \cap Q\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $|\pi^{-1}(I)| = c$, $|M_1| \leq c$ and $|M_2| \leq c$. Hence

$$M - (M_1 \cup M_2) \neq \phi.$$

Take an arbitrary element μ from $M - (M_1 \cup M_2)$, an arbitrary ordinal ν from J_1 and an arbitrary point x from I_ν . Then $t = (c, \mu, x)$ is a point of $T - I$.

We want to show that

$$[\pi^{-1}(t)]_\nu \in \bar{P} \cap \bar{Q}.$$

Let U be an arbitrary open neighborhood of c in C , ε an arbitrary positive

number and ξ an arbitrary ordinal with $\eta_1 \leq \xi < \gamma$. Consider a basic neighborhood

$$V = [\pi^{-1}(U \times \{\mu\} \times S_\varepsilon(x))]_{\langle \xi, r \rangle}$$

of the point $[\pi^{-1}(t)]_r$ in Z and let us prove that V meets both P and Q . Since $f(U)$ is an open neighborhood of a ,

$$W = [\pi^{-1}(f(U))]_{\langle \xi, r \rangle}$$

is a relatively open neighborhood of $[\pi^{-1}(a)]_r$ in $\pi^{-1}(I)$. Hence W meets both P and Q . Take p_0 from $W \cap P$ and q_0 from $W \cap Q$. Then $f^{-1}(\pi(p_0)) \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $f^{-1}(\pi(q_0)) \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Since $I_{\rho(p_0)}$ and $I_{\rho(q_0)}$ are dense in I , V meets both P and Q . Hence $[\pi^{-1}(t)]_r \subset \bar{P} \cap \bar{Q} = B$. Since x was an arbitrary point of I_r ,

$$[\pi^{-1}(\{c\} \times \{\mu\} \times I)]_r \subset B.$$

Therefore

$$B_4 = [\pi^{-1}(\{c\} \times \{\mu\} \times I)]_{r_1} \subset B.$$

Since B_4 is closed in Z ,

$$\text{Ind } B \geq \text{Ind } B_4 = 1.$$

Thus the proof is completely finished.

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