

Induced Mappings and Sequential Properties of the Space of G -Permutation Degree

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Abstract. In this paper, we study preservation of some mappings under the functor of G -permutation degree SP_G^n . We prove that if the mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is almost-open (resp., pseudo-open, monotone), then the mapping $\text{SP}_G^n f : \text{SP}_G^n X \rightarrow \text{SP}_G^n Y$ is also almost-open (resp., pseudo-open, monotone). In addition, we prove that the space X^n is sequential (resp., Fréchet-Urysohn) if and only if the space $\text{SP}_G^n X$ is sequential (resp. Fréchet-Urysohn). Also, we prove that if the space X^n is strongly Fréchet-Urysohn, then the space $\text{SP}_G^n X$ is also a strongly Fréchet-Urysohn space.

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1. Introduction and preliminary notes

Throughout this paper, all spaces are assumed to be T_1 -spaces. Topological terminology and notation follow [6, 8, 9].

Let S_n be the symmetric group of all permutations of the set $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ and G be a subgroup of S_n . For a topological space X , a relation ρ_G on the space X^n is defined as follows: for $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$, $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$ in X^n

$$\mathbf{x} \rho_G \mathbf{y} \iff \exists \sigma \in G \text{ with } y_i = x_{\sigma(i)}, i \leq n. \quad (1)$$

This relation is an equivalence relation (called the G -symmetric equivalence relation). The G -symmetric equivalence class of elements $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in X^n$ is denoted by $[\mathbf{x}]_G = [(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)]_G$. The quotient set X/ρ_G equipped with the quotient topology is denoted by $\text{SP}_G^n X$ and called the *space of n - G -permutation degree* or simply the *space of G -permutation degree*.

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The quotient mapping of X^n onto SP_G^n is denoted by π_n^s and defined as

$$\pi_n^s((x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)) = [(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)]_G \tag{2}$$

for every $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in X^n$.

Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous mapping. Define the mapping $\text{SP}_G^n f : \text{SP}_G^n X \rightarrow \text{SP}_G^n Y$ by

$$\text{SP}_G^n f([(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)]_G) = [(f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_n))]_G \tag{3}$$

for every $[(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)]_G \in \text{SP}_G^n X$.

It is known that the operation SP_G^n so constructed is a normal functor in the category **Comp** of compact Hausdorff spaces and their continuous mappings [8]. This functor is called the *functor of G-permutation degree*.

Note that points of the space $\text{SP}_G^n X$ are finite subsets (equivalence classes) of the space X^n . Thus, this space is similar to the exponential space $\text{exp}_n X$ of all non-empty n -element subsets of X equipped with the well known Vietoris topology [6, 9]. In fact, the spaces $\text{exp}_2 X$ and $\text{SP}_{S_n}^2 X$ are homeomorphic, while it is not the case for $n \geq 3$ [8]. The operation exp_n is also a covariant functor in the category **Comp**. Let us observe that the functor exp_n is a factor functor of the functor SP_G^n [7, 8].

Recently, the spaces of G -permutation degree have been investigated from different points of view in a number of papers: metric and uniform structures [3], e -density and τ -base [4, 5], tightness-type properties [14] (the functor SP_G^n preserves minitightness, functional tightness, T -tightness, weak tightness), network-type properties [15] (SP_G^n preserves cs -network, cs^* -network, cn -network and ck -network), generalized metric properties [16].

In this paper, we study preservation of almost open, pseudo-open and monotone mappings under the functor of G -permutation degree SP_G^n (Section 2). In Section 3, we prove that the above functor preserves sequential spaces, Fréchet-Urysohn spaces, and strongly Fréchet-Urysohn spaces.

2. Induced mappings on $\text{SP}_G^n X$

In this section, we investigate preservation of three kinds of mappings (almost open, pseudo-open and monotone) under influence of the functor SP_G^n .

A mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called *almost open* if for every $y \in Y$ there exists $x \in f^{-1}(y)$ such that $f(U)$ is a (not necessarily open) neighborhood of y for every neighborhood U of x . [Recall that this class of mappings plays an important role in the theory of topological vector spaces. For some information about these mappings see [12, 17].]

Theorem 1. *If a mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is almost open, then so is $\text{SP}_G^n f : \text{SP}_G^n X \rightarrow \text{SP}_G^n Y$.*

Proof. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be an almost open mapping. Suppose that $[\mathbf{y}]_G = [(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)]_G$ is an arbitrary element of $\text{SP}_G^n Y$. Since the functor SP_G^n preserves preimages, we have

$$(\text{SP}_G^n f)^{\leftarrow}([(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)]_G) = \text{SP}_G^n([(f^{\leftarrow}(y_1), f^{\leftarrow}(y_2), \dots, f^{\leftarrow}(y_n)))]_G). \quad (4)$$

Since $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is an almost open mapping, for every $i \leq n$ there is $x_i \in f^{\leftarrow}(y_i)$ such that for any neighborhood U_i of x_i , $f(U_i)$ is a neighborhood of y_i . By (4) we have $x_i \in f^{\leftarrow}(y_i)$ for all $i \leq n$.

Let $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$. Then $[\mathbf{x}]_G \in (\text{SP}_G^n f)^{\leftarrow}([(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)]_G)$. Let $[U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n]_G$ be a neighborhood of $[\mathbf{x}]_G$. By the above, $(\text{SP}_G^n f)([U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n]_G)$ is a neighborhood of \mathbf{y} which means that $\text{SP}_G^n f$ is an almost open mapping. \blacktriangleleft

In [18], it was shown that for every almost open mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$, the mapping $\text{exp}_n f$ is almost open. By this fact and Theorem 1, we get the following corollary.

Corollary 1. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be an almost open mapping. Then the following hold:*

- (1) $\text{SP}_G^n f : \text{SP}_G^n X \rightarrow \text{SP}_G^n Y$ is an almost open mapping;
- (2) $\text{exp}_n f : \text{exp}_n X \rightarrow \text{exp}_n Y$ is an almost open mapping.

A mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is called *pseudo-open* [2] if for every $y \in Y$ and every neighborhood U of $x \in f^{\leftarrow}(y)$, $f(U)$ is a (not necessarily open) neighborhood of y .

Clearly, pseudo-open mappings are stronger form of almost open mappings.

Theorem 2. *If a mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is pseudo-open, then so is $\text{SP}_G^n f : \text{SP}_G^n X \rightarrow \text{SP}_G^n Y$.*

Proof. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a pseudo-open mapping. Suppose that $[\mathbf{y}]_G = [(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)]_G$ is an element of $\text{SP}_G^n Y$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} &= [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n] \in (\text{SP}_G^n f)^{\leftarrow}([(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)]_G) = \\ &= \text{SP}_G^n([(f^{\leftarrow}(y_1), f^{\leftarrow}(y_2), \dots, f^{\leftarrow}(y_n)))]_G). \end{aligned}$$

Take any neighborhood $[U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n]_G$ of \mathbf{x} . Then $x_i \in U_i$ for every $i \leq n$. Since $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a pseudo-open mapping, we have $f(x_i) \in \text{Int}(f(U_i)) = V_i$ for every $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. It follows that $[(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)]_G \in [(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n)]_G$.

On the other hand, we have

$$\text{SP}_G^n f([(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)]_G) = [(f(U_1), f(U_2), \dots, f(U_n))]_G$$

and

$$[(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n)]_G \subset [(f(U_1), f(U_2), \dots, f(U_n))]_G.$$

It means that the set $\text{SP}_G^n f([(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)]_G)$ is a neighborhood of the point $[(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)]_G$. Theorem 2 is proved. ◀

In [18] it was shown that for every pseudo-open mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$, the mapping $\text{exp}_n f$ is pseudo-open. By this fact and Theorem 2, we get the following corollary.

Corollary 2. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a pseudo-open mapping. Then:*

- (1) $\text{SP}_G^n f : \text{SP}_G^n X \rightarrow \text{SP}_G^n Y$ is a pseudo-open mapping;
- (2) $\text{exp}_n f : \text{exp}_n X \rightarrow \text{exp}_n Y$ is a pseudo-open mapping.

We say that a mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is *monotone* [6, 13] if $f^{\leftarrow}(y)$ is a connected subset of X for every $y \in Y$.

Theorem 3. *If the mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is monotone, then so is $\text{SP}_G^n f : \text{SP}_G^n X \rightarrow \text{SP}_G^n Y$.*

Proof. Suppose that the mapping $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is monotone. Let $[\mathbf{y}]_G = [(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_m)]_G \in \text{SP}_G^n Y$. We have

$$(\text{SP}_G^n f)^{\leftarrow}([(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)]_G) = \text{SP}_G^n([(f^{\leftarrow}(y_1), f^{\leftarrow}(y_2), \dots, f^{\leftarrow}(y_n))]_G)$$

and every $f^{\leftarrow}(y_i)$, $i \leq n$, is a connected subset of X . Connectedness is preserved under the Cartesian product, so the set $f^{\leftarrow}(y_1) \times f^{\leftarrow}(y_2) \times \dots \times f^{\leftarrow}(y_n)$ is connected in X^n . Since the mapping $\pi_n^s : X^n \rightarrow \text{SP}_G^n X$ is continuous, we conclude that $\pi_n^s(f^{\leftarrow}(y_1) \times f^{\leftarrow}(y_2) \times \dots \times f^{\leftarrow}(y_n)) = (\text{SP}_G^n f)^{\leftarrow}([\mathbf{y}]_G)$ is connected, i.e. $\text{SP}_G^n f$ is a monotone mapping. ◀

3. Sequential properties of the space $\text{SP}_G^n X$

In this section we assume that all topological spaces are Hausdorff.

Let X be a topological space, P be a subset of X and $\{x^m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence in X . We say that $\{x^m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ is *eventually* in P if there exists $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\{x^m : m \geq m_0\} \subset P$.

$P \subset X$ is called a *sequential neighborhood* of $x \in X$ if every sequence converging to x is eventually in P [10]. A set $P \subset X$ is said to be *sequentially open*

if P is a sequential neighborhood of every point in P . A set $P \subset X$ is said to be *sequentially closed* if $X \setminus P$ is sequentially open in X .

A space X is said to be a *sequential space* [10] if every sequentially open subset is open in X , or, equivalently, a subset F of X is closed if (hence and only if) it contains the limit points of all sequences in F . Clearly, every first countable space is sequential, every metric space is sequential and every discrete space is sequential.

Example 1. Let X be any set, τ_d be the discrete topology and τ be a non-sequential topology in X . Consider the identity mapping $id_X : (X, \tau_d) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$. This mapping is continuous. It follows that a continuous image of a sequential space is not always a sequential space.

For every topological space (X, τ) , a new topology σ_τ can be introduced as follows:

$U \in \sigma_\tau$ if and only if U is a sequentially open subset of (X, τ) .

The space (X, σ_τ) is called a *sequential coreflection* of the space (X, τ) and is denoted by σX [11]. Clearly, the space σX is a sequential space. Moreover, X and σX have the same convergent sequences.

Theorem 4. *For a space X , X^n is a sequential space if and only if $SP_G^n X$ is a sequential space.*

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Suppose that X^n is a sequential space. If $SP_G^n U \subset SP_G^n X$ is sequentially open and $\{\mathbf{x}^m\} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}^0 \in (\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}(SP_G^n U)$, then $\{\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{x}^m)\} \rightarrow \pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{x}^0) \in SP_G^n U$ and $\{\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{x}^m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ is eventually in $SP_G^n U$. Since X^n is sequential, $\{\mathbf{x}^m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ is eventually in the set $(\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}(SP_G^n U)$, and it follows that $(\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}(SP_G^n U)$ is open in X^n . As $\pi_{n,G}^s : X^n \rightarrow SP_G^n X$ is a quotient mapping, the set $SP_G^n U$ is open in $SP_G^n X$. It means $SP_G^n X$ is a sequential space.

(\Leftarrow) Let σX^n be the sequential coreflection of X^n and $id_{X^n} : \sigma X^n \rightarrow X^n$ be the identity mapping. It is easy to check that the mapping id_{X^n} is continuous. Suppose that $f = \pi_{n,G}^s \circ id_{X^n} : \sigma X^n \rightarrow SP_G^n X$. Since the mapping $\pi_{n,G}^s$ is an open and closed surjection (and a perfect mapping for the Hausdorff space X^n), the mapping f is closed. Consequently, f is a perfect mapping. Then id_{X^n} is a perfect mapping. It follows that X^n is a sequential space. Theorem 4 is proved.

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It is well known that the product of two sequential spaces need not be a sequential space.

However, in [10] the following was given.

Lemma 1. *If a product space is sequential, so is every of its factors.*

In [1], the following theorem was proved.

Theorem 5. ([1]) *If X and Y are sequential spaces and Y is locally compact, then $X \times Y$ is sequential.*

Corollary 3. *Let X be a locally compact space. If X is a sequential space, then so is $SP_G^n X$.*

Since a compact Hausdorff space is locally compact, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 4. *Let X be a compact Hausdorff space. If X is a sequential space, then so is $SP_G^n X$.*

A topological space X is called a *Fréchet-Uryhohn space* [10, 13] if the closure of any subset A of X is the set of limits of sequences in A .

It is easy to check that every first countable space (and so every metric space) is a Fréchet-Urysohn space. Moreover, every Fréchet-Urysohn space is sequential.

There exists a space X that is a sequential space, but not Fréchet-Urysohn.

Example 2. Let \mathbb{R} be the set of real numbers with the topology T which is generated by the usual metric topology and all sets of the form $\{0\} \cup U$, where U a usual open neighborhood of the sequence $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$. It can be easily checked that this space is sequential. Let $A = \mathbb{R} \setminus (\{\frac{1}{n} : n = 1, 2, \dots\} \cup \{0\})$. For every positive integer n there exists a sequence $\{x_j^n\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ in A converging to $\frac{1}{n}$. Clearly, $0 \in \bar{A}$. However, every sequence of \mathbb{R} converging to 0 is eventually constant or subsequence of $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$. Hence, (\mathbb{R}, T) is not a Fréchet-Urysohn space.

Proposition 1. ([11]) *A sequential space is Fréchet-Urysohn if and only if it is hereditarily sequential.*

In general, Fréchet-Urysohn property is not preserved under quotient mappings. Moreover, the product of two Fréchet-Urysohn spaces will not be always Fréchet-Urysohn. Even the square of a compact Fréchet-Urysohn space need not be Fréchet-Urysohn

Theorem 6. *X^n is a Fréchet-Urysohn space if and only if $SP_G^n X$ is a Fréchet-Urysohn space.*

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Suppose that X^n is a Fréchet-Urysohn space. Let $[\mathbf{x}]_G \in \overline{SP_G^n A} \subset SP_G^n X$. If $(\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}([\mathbf{x}]_G) \cap \overline{(\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}(SP_G^n A)} = \emptyset$, put $U = X^n \setminus \overline{(\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}(SP_G^n A)}$. Then $[\mathbf{x}]_G \in \text{Int} \pi_{n,G}^s(U) \subset SP_G^n X \setminus SP_G^n A$ and we have a contradiction. So

there is $\mathbf{x}_0 \in (\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}([\mathbf{x}]_G) \cap \overline{(\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}(\text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n A)}$. Consider a sequence $\{\mathbf{x}^m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \subset (\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}(\text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n A)$ converges to \mathbf{x}_0 . It follows that $\{\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{x}^m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n A$ and $\{\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{x}^m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ converging to $[\mathbf{x}]_G$. Therefore, $\text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n X$ is a Fréchet-Urysohn space.

(\Leftarrow) Assume $\text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n X$ is a Fréchet-Urysohn space. Let A be a subset of X^n and $\mathbf{x} \in \overline{A}$. Suppose that $(\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}([\mathbf{x}]_G) = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\} \subset X^n$ and $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_1$. Since X^n is Hausdorff, there exists an open neighborhood $U_{\mathbf{x}}$ of \mathbf{x} such that $\overline{U_{\mathbf{x}}} \cap \{\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\} = \emptyset$. Hence, $\mathbf{x} \in U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap \overline{A} \subset \overline{U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap A}$. Since the mapping $\pi_{n,G}^s$ is closed, it implies that $[\mathbf{x}]_G \in \pi_{n,G}^s(\overline{U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap A}) = \overline{\pi_{n,G}^s(U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap A)}$. As $\text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n X$ is a Fréchet-Urysohn space, there exists a sequence $\{\mathbf{a}^m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \subset U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap A$ such that the sequence $\{\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{a}^m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to the point $[\mathbf{x}]_G$. It follows that there exists a subsequence $\{\mathbf{a}^{m_i}\}_{m_i \in \mathbb{N}}$ of the sequence $\{\mathbf{a}^m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$, which converges to the point $\mathbf{a} \in X^n$. It is seen that $\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{a}) = [\mathbf{x}]_G$. Then $\mathbf{a} \in \overline{U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap (\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}([\mathbf{x}]_G)} = \mathbf{x}$. Consequently, the subsequence $\{\mathbf{a}^{m_i}\}_{m_i \in \mathbb{N}} \subset A$ converges to \mathbf{x} . It means X^n is a Fréchet-Urysohn space. Theorem 6 is proved. \blacktriangleleft

We can define a mapping $f : \sigma X^n \rightarrow \sigma \text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n X$ by $f(\mathbf{x}) = \pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{x}) = [\mathbf{x}]_G$ for every point $\mathbf{x} \in X^n$. We can also give the following proposition (related to this mapping and Theorem 6)

Proposition 2. *σX^n is a Fréchet-Urysohn space if and only if $\sigma \text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n X$ is a Fréchet-Urysohn space.*

A space X is *strongly Fréchet-Urysohn* [13] if for any decreasing family $\{A_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ of subsets of X and any point $x \in \bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{A_m}$ we may pick points $x^m \in A_m$ in such a way that the sequence $\{x^m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to x . It is known that a product of two strongly Fréchet-Urysohn spaces need not be Fréchet-Urysohn, even not sequential.

Theorem 7. *If $\text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n X$ is a strongly Fréchet-Urysohn space, then so is X^n .*

Proof. Suppose that $\text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n X$ is a strongly Fréchet-Urysohn space. Let $\{A_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \subset X^n$ be a decreasing sequence of subsets of X^n and $\mathbf{x} \in \bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{A_m}$. Put $(\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}(\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{x})) = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\}$ with $\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}$, where $k \leq n$. X^n is a Hausdorff space and so there exists an open neighborhood $U_{\mathbf{x}}$ of \mathbf{x} such that $\overline{U_{\mathbf{x}}} \cap \{\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\} = \emptyset$. It follows that $\mathbf{x} \in U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap \overline{A_m} \subset \overline{U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap A_m}$ for every $m \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{x}) \in \pi_{n,G}^s(\overline{U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap A_m}) = \overline{\pi_{n,G}^s(U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap A_m)}$. Since $\text{SP}_{\mathbb{C}}^n X$ is a strongly Fréchet-Urysohn space, for every $m \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists $\mathbf{y}_m \in U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap A_m$ such that the sequence $\{\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{y}_m)\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to $\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{x})$. As $\{A_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a decreasing sequence of subsets, we can consider the sequence $\{\mathbf{y}_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ which is convergent in X^n and then the set $\overline{U_{\mathbf{x}} \cap (\pi_{n,G}^s)^{\leftarrow}(\pi_{n,G}^s(\mathbf{x}))} = \{\mathbf{x}\}$ includes its limit. It means that $\{\mathbf{y}_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to the point \mathbf{x} . Therefore, X^n is a strongly Fréchet-Urysohn space. Theorem 7 is proved. \blacktriangleleft

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