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# Geodesic Mappings of Compact Quasi-Einstein Spaces with Constant Scalar Curvature

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**Abstract.** In this paper we study a special type of pseudo-Riemannian spaces quasi-Einstein spaces of constant scalar curvature. These spaces are generalizations of known Einstein spaces. We obtained a linear form of the basic equations of the theory of geodetic mappings for these spaces. The studies are conducted locally in tensor form, without restrictions on the sign and signature of the metric tensor.

## **INTRODUCTION**

E. Beltrami was the first to consider the question of geodesic mapping of a surface  $V_2$  into a surface  $\bar{E}_2$  as early as 1865 [1]. He sought a solution for classical problems of cartography known since Lagrange [19]. In 1869 U. Dini [3] posed a general problem of a possibility of geodesic mapping for a given surface  $V_2$  into  $\bar{V}_2$ . Actually he solved this problem for Riemannian spaces, however he did it in such a complex way, that the solution was improved since then on many occasions. In 1896 T. Levi-Civita [20] proposed a particular formulation of the problem (implied by dynamics equations) and obtained main equations in tensor form [6]. Thereafter tensor methods took the leading role in differential geometry. H. Weyl, L.P. Eisenhart, V.F. Kagan, G.I. Kruchkovich, A.S. Solodovnikov and others developed a coherent theory of geodesic mappings of pseudo-Riemannian spaces that was invariant in relation to the choice of coordinate system. N.S. Syniukov pushed the research further by reduction of the problem to a study of linear system of differential equations [23]. The linear form of basic equations of theory of geodesic mappings was simplified and there was a solution found for the problem of cardinalities distribution for a geodesic class of a given space [15]. Significant progress has been achieved in the study of special pseudo-Riemannian spaces, Einstein spaces in particular [14, 21]. It appeared that four-dimensional Einstein spaces that differs from spaces of a constant curvature, do not permit non-trivial geodesic mappings. This fact underlined the necessity of a research on more general classes of spaces. The latter were built by adding to the internal objects (Ricci tensor, Einstein tensor) both constructions made of internal objects [16, 18], and some special vector fields [7, 11]. In this paper, following [2, 10], we study spaces in which the Einstein tensor deviates from zero by some bivector.

#### BASIC EQUATIONS OF THE THEORY OF GEODESIC MAPPINGS.

The one-to-one correspondence between the points of pseudo-Riemannian spaces  $V_n$  with the metric tensor  $g_{ij}$  and  $\bar{V}_n$  with a metric tensor  $\bar{g}_{ij}$  is called a geodesic mapping if any geodesic line in  $V_n$  is mapped into a geodesic line in  $\bar{V}_n$ . If pseudo-Riemannian spaces  $V_n$  and  $\bar{V}_n$  allow bijective geodesic mapping, we call them spaces that are in geodesic correspondence, or spaces that belong to the same geodesic class. A necessary and sufficient condition [20] for the pseudo-Riemannian spaces  $V_n$  and  $\bar{V}_n$  to allow geodetic mapping on each other is

$$\bar{\Gamma}_{ij}^{h} = \Gamma_{ij}^{h} + \varphi_i \delta_j^{h} + \varphi_j \delta_i^{h}, \tag{1}$$

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$$\bar{g}_{ij,k} = 2\varphi_k \bar{g}_{ij} + \varphi_i \bar{g}_{jk} + \varphi_j \bar{g}_{ik}, \tag{2}$$

where  $\varphi_i$  – is some necessary gradient vector,  $\Gamma_{ij}^h$ ,  $\overline{\Gamma}_{ij}^h$  – Christoffel symbols  $V_n$  and  $\overline{V}_n$  respectively;  $\delta_i^h$  – Kronecker symbols; comma "," – the sign of the covariant derivative in respect to connectivity of  $V_n$ . Eqs. (1) and (2) are equivalent, necessary, and sufficient conditions for pseudo-Riemannian spaces  $V_n$  and  $\overline{V}_n$  to be in geodesic correspondence. A necessary condition for geodesic mapping is given by the equations:

$$\bar{R}^{h}_{ijk} = R^{h}_{ijk} + \varphi_{ij}\delta^{h}_{k} - \varphi_{ik}\delta^{h}_{j}, \tag{3}$$

$$\bar{R}_{ij} = R_{ij} + (n-1)\varphi_{ij},\tag{4}$$

where  $\varphi_{ij} = \varphi_{i,j} - \varphi_i \varphi_j$ ,  $R_{ijk}^h$ ,  $R_{ijk}$  – Riemann and Ricci tensors. A geodesic mapping that differs from homothetic is called non-trivial. The given pseudo-Riemannian space  $V_n$  permits a non-trivial geodesic mapping only in a case when the system of differential equations has a solution in respect to the tensor  $a_{ij} = a_{ji} \neq cg_{ij}$  and the vector  $\lambda_i = \lambda_i \neq 0$ . It is a necessary and sufficient condition. The linear form of the basic equations of the theory of geodesic mappings can be written down as follows [23, p.121]

$$a_{ij,k} = \lambda_i g_{jk} + \lambda_j g_{ik}. \tag{5}$$

$$n\lambda_{i,j} = \mu g_{ij} + a_{\alpha i} R^{\alpha}_{j} - a_{\alpha \beta} R^{\alpha \beta}_{.ij}, \qquad (6)$$

here  $\mu = \lambda_{\alpha\beta} g^{\alpha\beta}$ ;  $R_j^i = R_{\alpha j} g^{\alpha i}$ ;  $R_{ij}^{h\ k} = R_{ij\alpha}^h g^{\alpha\ k}$ . From the latter we will have [23, p.123]:

$$(n-1)\mu_{,i} = 2(n+1)\lambda_{\alpha}R_i^{\alpha} + a_{\alpha\beta}(2R_{,i,\cdot}^{\alpha\beta} - R_{,i}^{\alpha\beta}).$$

$$\tag{7}$$

Solutions (2) and (5) are connected by relations

$$a_{ij} = e^{2\varphi} \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} g_{\alpha i} g_{\beta j};$$
  
$$\lambda_i = -e^{2\varphi} \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} g_{\alpha i} \varphi_{\beta}.$$

The system of equations (5), (6) and (7) gives a fundamental possibility to answer the question: does a given pseudo-Riemannian space  $V_n$  allow geodesic mapping to pseudo-Riemannian space  $\bar{V}_n$ . The question is reduced to a study of integrability conditions of these differential equations and their differential extensions [15]. The purpose of our work is to obtain the form of basic equations of the theory of geodesic mappings for quasi-Einstein spaces.

# BASIC EQUATIONS OF THE THEORY OF GEODESIC MAPPINGS OF QUASI-EINSTEIN SPACES.

Let us consider a geodesic mapping of quasi-Einstein spaces, namely pseudo-Riemannian spaces  $V_n(n > 2)$  which satisfy the following condition

$$R_{ij} = \frac{R}{n}g_{ij} + U_i U_j,\tag{8}$$

where  $U_i$  — is by definition a gradient vector, *i.e.*,

$$U_i = U_{,i} = \partial_i U. \tag{9}$$

It follows from the definition that the vector  $U_i$  is, by necessity, an isotropic vector. Given (8), equation [23, p.138]

$$a_{\alpha l}R_{h}^{\alpha} - a_{\alpha k}R_{l}^{\alpha} = 0, \tag{10}$$

will take the form

$$U_l U^{\alpha} a_{\alpha i} = U_i a_{\alpha l} U^{\alpha}. \tag{11}$$

From the last equality we have

$$U^{\alpha}a_{\alpha i} = \rho U_i, \tag{12}$$

where  $\rho \stackrel{def}{=} a_{\alpha\beta} U^{\alpha} \xi^{\beta}$ ,  $\xi^{i}$  – is some vector such that  $U_{\alpha} \xi^{\alpha} = 1$ . Thus, we are proved

**Theorem 1.** If quasi-Einstein space  $V_n$  permits non-trivial geodesic mapping, then the vector  $U_i$  is the eigenvector of the tensor matrix  $a_{ij}$ .

Let us prove the following theorem

**Theorem 2.** If quasi-Einstein space  $V_n$  permits non-trivial geodesic mapping, then the vectors  $U_i$  and  $\lambda_i$  are mutually orthogonal, that is

$$U^{\alpha}\lambda_{\alpha} = 0. \tag{13}$$

Proof.

Differentiating (12) with respect to (5) we obtain

$$U^{\alpha}_{\ j}a_{\alpha i} + U^{\alpha}\lambda_{\alpha}g_{ij} + \lambda_{i}U_{j} = \rho_{,j}U_{i} + \rho U_{i,j}.$$
(14)

Because of the isotropy of the vector  $U_i$ , by multiplying (14) on it and contracting it, we have

$$2U^{\alpha}\lambda_{\alpha}U_{i}=0, \tag{15}$$

since  $U_i$  is not a zero vector, then the theorem is proved.

Let us now consider the question about non-trivial geodesic mapping of quasi-Einstein spaces of constant scalar curvature. Let us prove the following theorem

**Theorem 3.** If the quasi-Einstein space of constant scalar curvature allows non-trivial geodesic mapping, the vector  $\lambda_i$  satisfies the conditions

$$\lambda_{\alpha j,}^{\ \alpha} = \tau \lambda_j, \tag{16}$$

here  $\lambda_{i\alpha}^{\ \alpha} = \lambda_{i,\alpha}^{\ \alpha} = \lambda_{i,\alpha\beta} g^{\alpha\beta}$ , and  $\tau$  is some invariant.

*Proof.* Differentiating

$$a_{\alpha i}R^{\alpha}_{ikl} + a_{\alpha j}R^{\alpha}_{ikl} = \lambda_{li}g_{jk} + \lambda_{lj}g_{ik} - \lambda_{kj}g_{il} - \lambda_{ki}g_{jl}, \qquad (17)$$

where  $\lambda_{ij} = \lambda_{i,j}$ , according to (5), we obtain

$$\lambda_{\alpha}R^{\alpha}_{jkl}g_{im} + \lambda_{i}R_{mjkl} + \lambda_{\alpha}R^{\alpha}_{ikl}g_{jm} + \lambda_{j}R_{mikl} + a_{\alpha i}R^{\alpha}_{jkl,m} + a_{\alpha j}R^{\alpha}_{ikl,m} = \lambda_{li,m}g_{jk} + \lambda_{lj,m}g_{ik} - \lambda_{ki,m}g_{jl} - \lambda_{kj,m}g_{il}.$$

Contracting the latter by l and m, we will have

$$\lambda_{\alpha}R_{jki}^{\alpha} + \lambda_{\alpha}R_{ikj}^{\alpha} + \lambda_{i}R_{jk} + \lambda_{j}R_{ik} + a_{i}^{\alpha}R_{kj\alpha\beta}^{\beta} + a_{j}^{\alpha}R_{ki\alpha\beta}^{\beta} = \lambda_{\alpha i}^{\alpha}g_{jk} + \lambda_{\alpha j}^{\alpha}g_{ik} - \lambda_{ki,j} - \lambda_{kj,i}$$

Given that  $R_{iik,\alpha}^{\alpha} = R_{ij,k} - R_{ik,j}$  and (8), we obtain

$$\begin{split} \lambda_{\alpha}R_{jki}^{\alpha} + \lambda_{\alpha}R_{ikj}^{\alpha} + \lambda_{i}R_{jk} + \lambda_{j}R_{ik} + U_{j}(\rho_{k}U_{i} + \rho U_{i,k} - \lambda_{i}U_{k}) - \rho U_{i}U_{k,j} \\ + U_{i}(\rho_{k}U_{j} + \rho U_{j,k} - \lambda_{j}U_{k}) - \rho U_{j}U_{k,i} = \lambda_{\alpha i,}^{\alpha}g_{jk} + \lambda_{\alpha j,}^{\alpha}g_{ik} - \lambda_{ki,j} - \lambda_{kj,i}. \end{split}$$

Or, just like that,

$$\lambda_{\alpha}R_{jki}^{\alpha} + \lambda_{\alpha}R_{ikj}^{\alpha} + \lambda_{i}R_{jk} + \lambda_{j}R_{ik} + U_{j}(\rho_{k}U_{i} - \lambda_{i}U_{k}) + U_{i}(\rho_{k}U_{j} - \lambda_{j}U_{k}) = \lambda_{\alpha i}^{\alpha}g_{jk} + \lambda_{\alpha j}^{\alpha}g_{ik} - \lambda_{ki,j} - \lambda_{kj,i}.$$

Alternating the last equality by j, k, we obtain

$$4\lambda_{\alpha}R_{ikj}^{\alpha} + 2U_{j}U_{i}\rho_{k} - 2U_{i}U_{k}\rho_{j} + \frac{R}{n}(\lambda_{j}g_{ik} - \lambda_{k}g_{ji}) = \lambda_{\alpha j,}^{\alpha}g_{ik} - \lambda_{\alpha k,}^{\alpha}g_{ij}.$$
(18)

Multiplying (18) by  $\lambda^i$  and contracting by *i*, we get

$$\lambda_{\alpha j}^{\ \alpha} \lambda_k - \lambda_{\alpha k}^{\ \alpha} \lambda_j = 0. \tag{19}$$

This implies (16), where  $\tau$  — is some invariant such that  $\tau = \lambda_{\beta\alpha}^{\alpha} \eta^{\beta}$ , and  $\eta^{i}$  — is a vector, which satisfies the condition  $\lambda_{\alpha}\eta^{\alpha} = 1$ . Thus, the theorem is proved.

Given (16), equation (18) takes the form

$$4\lambda_{\alpha}R_{ikj}^{\alpha} + 2U_{j}U_{i}\rho_{k} - 2U_{i}U_{k}\rho_{j} + \left(\frac{R}{n} - \tau\right)(\lambda_{j}g_{ik} - \lambda_{k}g_{ij}) = 0.$$
<sup>(20)</sup>

Multiplying (17) by  $\lambda^l$ , and contracting by *l* with respect to (20), we obtain

$$2a_{i}^{\alpha}\rho_{\alpha}U_{k}U_{j} - 2\rho\rho_{j}U_{k}U_{i} + \left(\frac{R}{n} - \tau\right)(\lambda_{j}a_{ik} - \lambda_{\alpha}a_{i}^{\alpha}g_{jk}) + 2a_{j}^{\alpha}\rho_{\alpha}U_{k}U_{i} - 2\rho\rho_{i}U_{k}U_{j} + \left(\frac{R}{n} - \tau\right)(\lambda_{i}a_{jk} - \lambda_{\alpha}a_{j}^{\alpha}g_{ik}) = 4\lambda^{\alpha}\lambda_{\alpha i}g_{jk} + 4\lambda^{\alpha}\lambda_{\alpha j}g_{ik} - 4\lambda_{ki}\lambda_{j} - 4\lambda_{kj}\lambda_{i}.$$
(21)

Let us alternate the last equality by j and k. Then we replace the indices  $i \leftrightarrow k$  in the resulting expression and summarize the result with (21). We have

$$2(a_i^{\alpha}\rho_{\alpha}-\rho\rho_i)U_kU_j+\lambda_i\left(\left(\frac{R}{n}-\tau\right)a_{jk}+4\lambda_{kj}\right)=(4\lambda^{\alpha}\lambda_{\alpha i}+\left(\frac{R}{n}-\tau\right)\lambda_{\alpha}a_i^{\alpha})g_{jk}.$$
(22)

We contract with  $g^{jk}$ , then

$$4\lambda^{\alpha}\lambda_{\alpha i} + \left(\frac{R}{n} - \tau\right)\lambda_{\alpha}a_{i}^{\alpha} = 4\mu\lambda_{i},$$
(23)

where

$$4\mu = \frac{1}{n} \left( \left( \frac{R}{n} - \tau \right) a_{\alpha\beta} + 4\lambda_{\alpha\beta} \right) g^{\alpha\beta}.$$
 (24)

Given this, we write (22) in the form

$$2(a_i^{\alpha}\rho_{\alpha}-\rho\rho_i)U_kU_j+\lambda_i\left(\left(\frac{R}{n}-\tau\right)a_{jk}+4\lambda_{kj}-4\mu\,g_{kj}\right)=0.$$
(25)

Contracting the latter equality with  $\eta^i$ , we obtain

$$\left(\frac{R}{n} - \tau\right)a_{jk} + 4\lambda_{kj} - 4\mu g_{kj} - 4\overset{1}{c}U_k U_j = 0.$$
<sup>(26)</sup>

Here

$$2(a^{\alpha}_{\beta}\rho_{\alpha}-\rho\rho_{\beta})\eta^{\beta} \stackrel{def}{=} -4 \frac{1}{c}.$$
(27)

It is easy to see that

$$\tau = \frac{R(n+3)}{n(n-1)}.$$
(28)

And then (26) will take the final form

$$\lambda_{kj} = \mu g_{kj} + \frac{R}{n(n-1)} a_{kj} + \frac{1}{c} U_k U_j.$$
<sup>(29)</sup>

Differentiating (29), we have

$$\lambda_{i,jk} = \mu_{,k}g_{ij} + \frac{R}{n(n-1)}(\lambda_{i}g_{jk} + \lambda_{j}g_{ik}) + \overset{1}{c}_{,k}U_{i}U_{j} + \overset{1}{c}U_{i,k}U_{j} + \overset{1}{c}U_{i}U_{j,k}.$$
(30)

Contracting by i, j, we obtain

$$g^{\alpha\beta}\lambda_{\alpha,\beta k} = n\mu_{,k} + \frac{2R}{n(n-1)}\lambda_k.$$
(31)

After using the Ricci identity for quasi-Einstein spaces

$$g^{\alpha\beta}(\lambda_{\alpha,\beta k} - \lambda_{\alpha,k\beta}) = \frac{R}{n}\lambda_k,$$
(32)

we get

$$\mu_{,i} = \frac{2R}{n(n-1)}\lambda_i.$$
(33)

Thus, the theorem is true [12]

**Theorem 4.** If quasi-Einstein space  $V_n$  of constant scalar curvature permits non-trivial geodesic mappings, then conditions (29), (33) are satisfied.

In the further discussion we are going to treat of compact quasi-Einstein spaces "in the whole" [2].

#### **GEODESIC MAPPINGS OF COMPACT QUASI-EINSTEIN SPACES**

Let us treat a Hausdorff space, where for any point there exists neighborhood which is homeomorphic to a certain area  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . There is a pseudo-Riemannian metric on such a manifold that turns the latter in pseudo-Riemannian space  $V_n$  [8, 18, 26]. A point M is called a geodesic point of a curve L, when a tangent vector complies with the condition in the point

$$\eta^{n}_{,\alpha}\eta^{\alpha} = \frac{d\eta^{n}}{dt} + \Gamma^{h}_{\alpha\beta}\eta^{\alpha}\eta^{\beta}.$$
(34)

When a curve is formed exclusively by geodesic points, then, it is called a geodesic line belonging to the abovementioned space. Diffeomorphism that that maps every geodesic line  $V_n$  to another geodesic line  $\bar{V}_n$ , is called a geodesic mapping "in the whole". When geodesics from a certain neighborhood of a point are mapped to a certain neighborhood of another point, then it is a local geodesic mapping. Every geodesic mapping "in the whole" is also a local geodesic mapping. The opposite is not true. On the contrary there are potent classes of spaces permitting local geodesic mappings but restrictive in respect to mappings "in the whole." Theorems that state non-existence "in the whole" of a certain type of spaces are called "disappearance theorems" [22]. We will proceed with proof of a disappearance theorem for the compact quasi-Einstein spaces of constant scalar curvature, starting with the following

**Lemma 1.** When  $V_n$  is a pseudo-Riemannian quasi-Einstein space of constant scalar curvature and a vector  $\lambda_i$  has a constant length, then scalar curvature equals to zero.

Proof.

Let us suppose that a vector  $\lambda_i$ , that complies with the (29) has a constant length, namely

$$\lambda_{\alpha}\lambda^{\alpha} = A, \tag{35}$$

here A is a certain constant. By differentiating, we move to

$$\lambda_{\alpha}\lambda^{\alpha}{}_{,i} = 0. \tag{36}$$

Taking into account (29), (33), it is easy to see that

$$\mu\lambda_i + \frac{R}{n(n-1)}\lambda_\alpha a_i^\alpha = 0. \tag{37}$$

Covariant derivative of the latter after substitution of (29), (33), (35) will take a shape of

$$\frac{3R}{n(n-1)}\lambda_i\lambda_j + \left(\mu^2 + \frac{AR}{n(n-1)}\right)g_{ij} + \frac{2\mu R}{n(n-1)}a_{ij} + \frac{R^2}{n^2(n-1)^2}a_{\alpha i}a_j^{\alpha} + \frac{1}{c}\left(\mu + \frac{R\rho}{n(n-1)}\right)U_iU_j = 0.$$
 (38)

Let us multiply the latter by  $\lambda^i$  and wrap by *i*. It will result in

$$\frac{4RA}{n(n-1)} = 0.$$
 (39)

Or in other words, at least one of the constants R and A should equal zero with a necessity. Let us suppose that a constant A — equals 0. Then equations (38) can be re-written as follows:

$$\frac{3R}{n(n-1)}\lambda_i\lambda_j + \mu^2 g_{ij} + \frac{2\mu R}{n(n-1)}a_{ij} + \frac{R^2}{n^2(n-1)^2}a_{\alpha i}a_j^{\alpha} + c\left(\mu + \frac{R\rho}{n(n-1)}\right)U_iU_j = 0.$$
(40)

Multiplying (40) by  $U^i$  and wrapping by *i*, we will get

$$\mu^{2} + \frac{2\mu R\rho}{n(n-1)} + \left(\frac{R\rho}{n(n-1)}\right)^{2} = 0.$$
(41)

Differentiating (40) and wrapping the resulting expression with  $U^i$ , we can see that:

$$\frac{2R}{n(n-1)} \left( 1 + \frac{2R\rho}{n(n-1)} \right) = 0.$$
(42)

Let us suppose  $\left(1 + \frac{2R\rho}{n(n-1)}\right) = 0$ . According to the above statement and the equation (41),  $\mu = \frac{1}{2}$ . And it entails the conclusion that a scalar curvature equals zero. Thus, we proved in every possible case that R = 0. Lemma is proven. Let us return to the issue of geodesic mappings "in the whole". Here the theorem is true:

**Theorem 5.** A compact quasi-Einstein space of constant scalar curvature with positive definite metric and positive scalar curvature does not permit non-trivial geodesic mappings "in the whole."

O.M. Siniukova suggested to apply the Hopf-Bochner theorem [9] in a new formulation: when a compact pseudo-Riemannian space  $V_n$  contains a positive definite invariant quadratic form  $G^{\alpha\beta}\eta_{\alpha}\eta_{\beta}$ , then for a function  $\varphi(x)$  an operator

$$\Delta \phi = G^{\alpha\beta} \phi_{,\alpha\beta} \tag{43}$$

does not change a sign, so  $\varphi = const$ , and  $\Delta \phi = 0$  [24, 25]. A quasi-Einstein space of constant scalar curvature has an invariant [17]

$$\phi = \lambda_{\alpha} \lambda^{\alpha}. \tag{44}$$

Then

$$\phi_i = 2\lambda_{\alpha,i}\lambda^\alpha \tag{45}$$

and

$$\phi_{i,j} = 2(\lambda_{\alpha i}\lambda_{,j}^{\alpha} + \lambda_{\alpha,ij}\lambda^{\alpha}). \tag{46}$$

Applying equations (29) and (33), we can see that

$$g^{\alpha\beta}\lambda_{i,\alpha\beta} = \frac{(n+3)}{n(n-1)}R\lambda_i.$$
(47)

Taking this into account, we obtain

$$\Delta\phi = \frac{2(n+3)}{n(n-1)} R \lambda_{\alpha} \lambda^{\alpha} + 2\lambda_{\alpha\beta} \lambda_{\alpha}^{\alpha\beta}.$$
(48)

Since the matrix form  $V_n$  is positive definite and R > 0, then  $\Delta \phi \ge 0$ . Hopf-Bochner theorem implies that  $\phi = const$ , and  $\Delta \phi = 0$ . Applying the lemma 1. we can see that the theorem is proven.

#### CONCLUSIONS

We defined a form of a system of basic equations for geodesic mappings of quasi-Einstein spaces. The developed methods of research can be applied in the theory of conformal mappings [4] and in the theory of holomorphically projective mappings of Kählerian spaces [5, 8]. A further research is needed in order to shed new light on the pseudo-Riemannian spaces that result from geodesic mapping of a quasi-Einstein space.

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