# SUCCESSFUL RETROFIT OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS: HEATING AND COOLING CONCEPTS







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# **Holistic Evaluation of Concepts**

# **Energy Use – Energy Efficiency – Thermal Comfort**

### **OCCUPANT** thermal comfort class [-] objective high working place EBD08 quality (thermal, acoustic, visual) heating / cooling energy energy efficiency SPF [kWh<sub>therm</sub>/kWh<sub>end</sub>] [kWh<sub>therm</sub>/m<sup>2</sup><sub>net</sub>a] **BUILDING HVAC** reduced heating high plant and cooling efficiencies energy demand

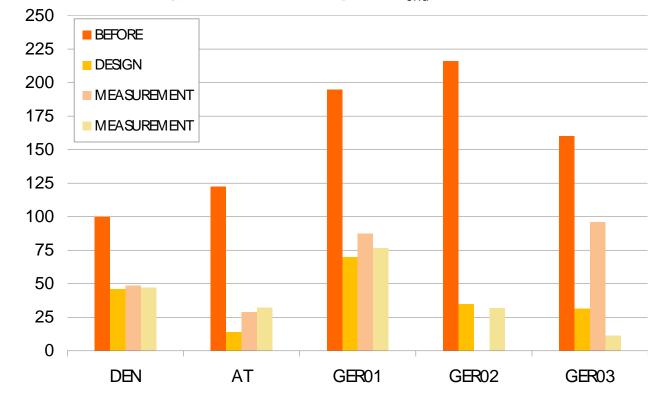


# **Cross-Comparison**

# Delivered energy use: heating

- Delivered energy use for heating between 100 and 210 kWh<sub>end</sub>/m²a
- Ambitious design values
- Significant reduction of energy use by 50 to 80%
- Operation analysis and optimization fosters further reduction

#### delivered energy use for heating [kWh<sub>end</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>a]





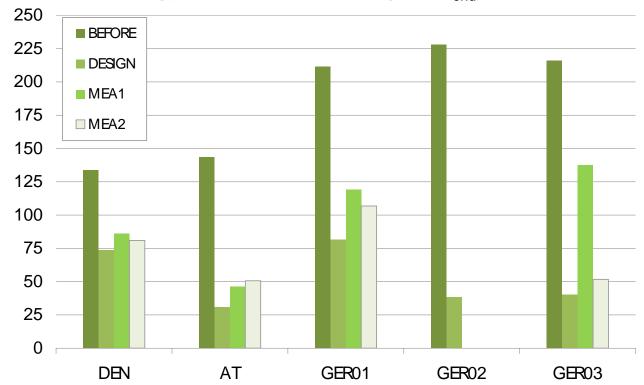


# **Cross-Comparison**

# Delivered energy use: total building\*

- Energy use for heating, cooling, ventilation and lighting
- Delivered energy use between 125 and 230 kWh<sub>end</sub>/m²a
- Again: Operation analysis and optimization fosters further reduction

#### delivered energy use for total building [kWh<sub>end</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>a]



<sup>\*</sup> Heating, cooling, ventilation and lighting. No energy use for appliances.

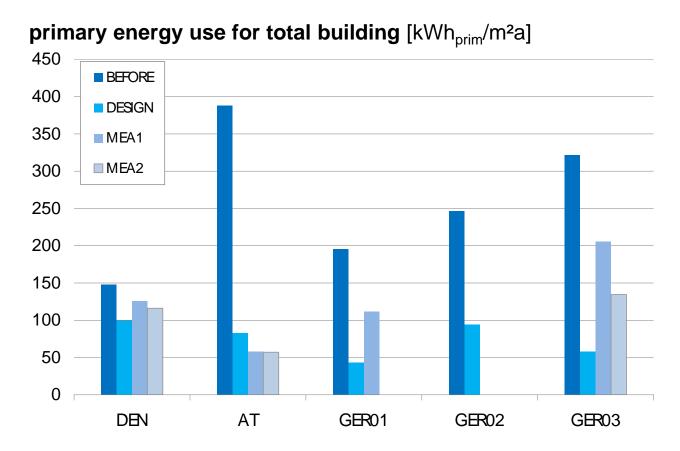






# **Cross-Comparison**

# Primary energy use: total building\*



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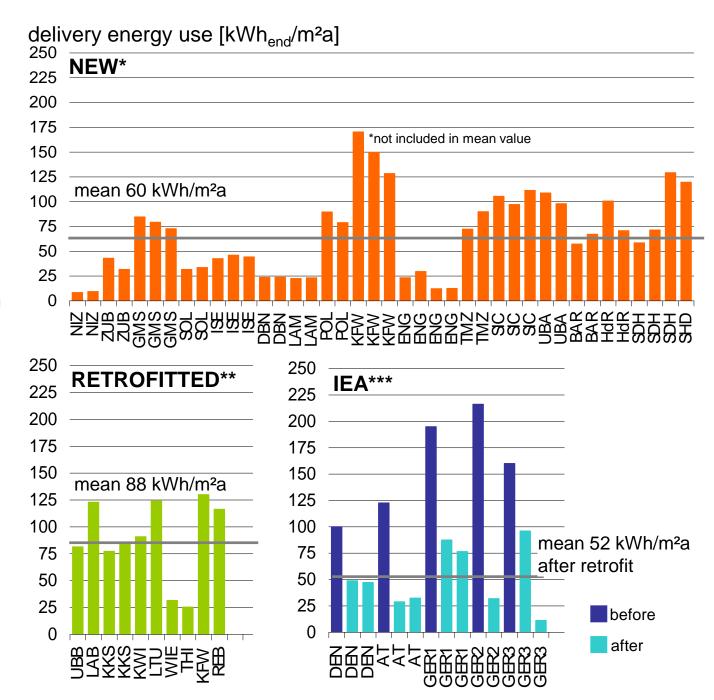




# Cross-Comparison Germany Delivered energy use for heating

- cross-comparison of buildings
- IEA buildings reach very ambitious aims according to heating end energy use

\*\*\* Monitored retrofitted nonresidential buildings within IES-SHC Task 47.



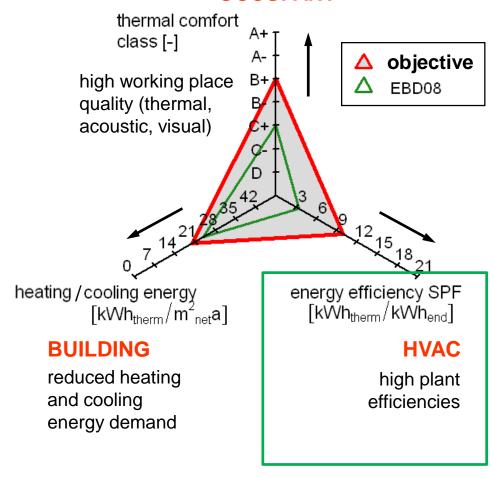
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# **Heating Concept**

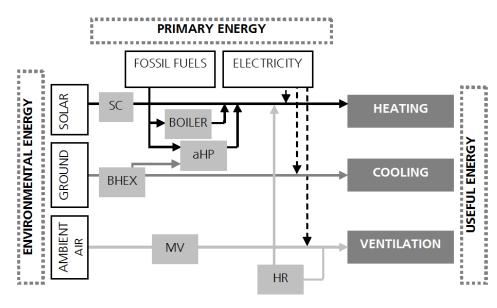
# **Ground-coupled thermal heat pumps**

#### **Before**



- 2 gas boiler, 250 and 283 kW<sub>therm</sub>
- High temperature heating with radiators
- Natural ventilation

#### **After**



- 2 ground-coupled thermal heat pumps each 35 kW<sub>therm</sub> and 2 gas boilers (2x80 kW<sub>therm</sub>)
- Hybrid ventilation with heat recovery
- Low temperature heating with radiators





# **Heating Concept**

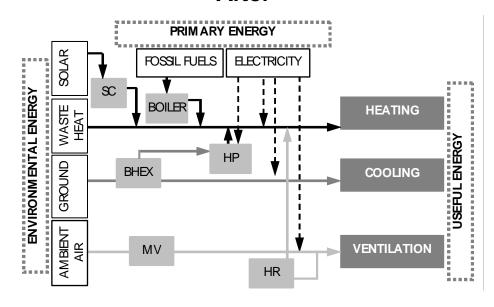
# **Ground-coupled electrical heat pumps**

#### **Before**



- Gas boiler 280 kW<sub>therm</sub>
- High temperature heating with radiators
- Natural ventilation

#### **After**



- Electrical heat pump 33 kW<sub>therm</sub>, use of waste heat from printing workshop, old gas boiler as backup
- Hybrid ventilation with heat recovery
- Low temperature heating with radiators and convectors







# **Operation Performance of Heat Pumps**

# **Cross-Comparison: analysis of efficiency\***



#### Cross-Comparison

■ Electrical: 2.4 – 6.6

■ Thermal: 1.1 – 1.3

 No significant difference between monovalent and bivalent systems

#### Retrofitted Projects:

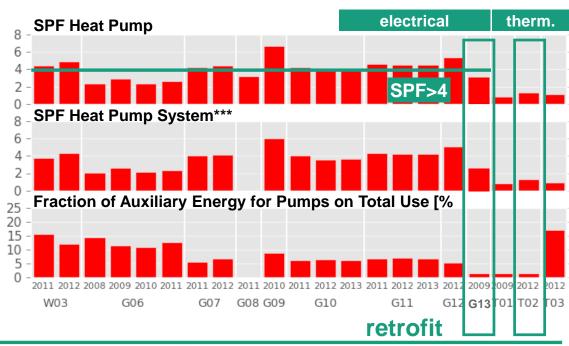
■ Electrical: 2.9

Thermal: 1.3

 Higher supply temperature in retrofit projects influences SPF<sub>el</sub> \*Seasonal performance factors (SPF) presented are relation of thermal energy delivered by heat pump to end energy input to the heat pump (electricity or gas)

\*\*SPF according to VDI 4650, 2 (related to delivered energy, thermal and electrical use)

\*\*\*Consideration of compressor and pumps in primary circuit







# **Operation Performance of Heat Pump Systems**



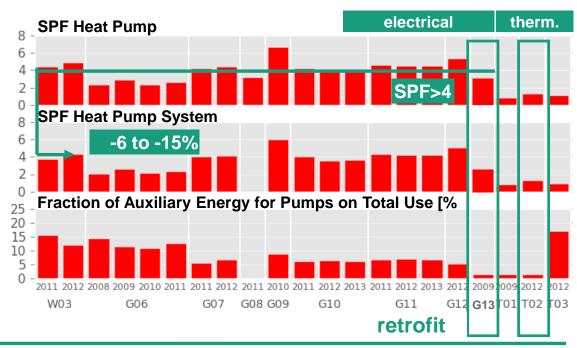
# **Cross-Comparison: analysis of efficiency\***

#### Cross-Comparison

- Significant electrical energy use for pumps in primary circuit (5 to 20%)
- Reduction of SPF by6 to 15 %

#### Retrofitted Projects:

 Well designed systems with a comparatively low auxiliary energy use for pumps in primary circuit



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# **Use of Environmental Heat Sinks for Direct Cooling**

#### **GEOTHERMAL ENERGY**

surface-near ground

ground water

surface water







#### **AMBIENT AIR**

nat. / mech. ventilation



natural and hybrid ventilation

cooling tower



dry / wet cooling towers

# **Night Ventilation: Example I**

#### before retrofit, 1970s









after retrofit

- Daytime: hybrid ventilation (natural and mechanical)
- **Nighttime**: mechanical ventilation > 2 ACH, ventilation slats

# Night Ventilation: Example II







after retrofit

- Daytime: hybrid ventilation (natural and mechanical)
- **Nighttime**: mechanical ventilation > 2 3 ACH





# Night Ventilation: Example II



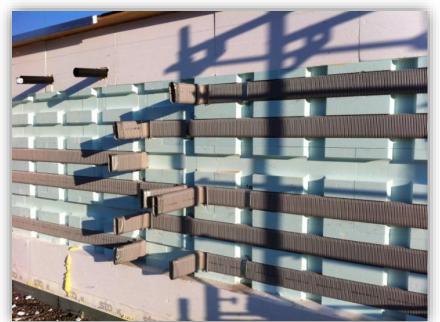


















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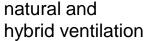


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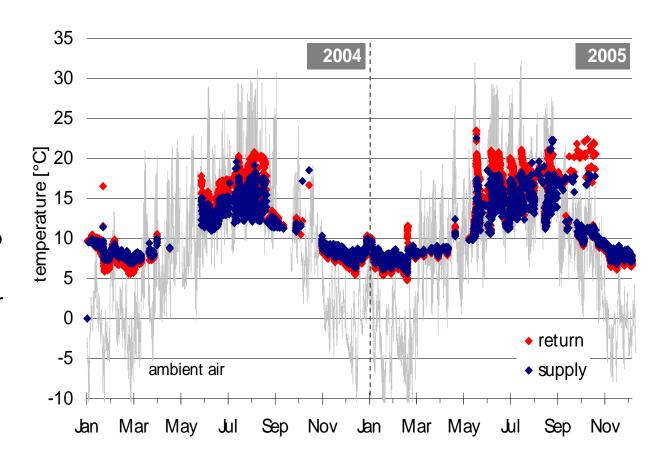


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# **Use of Environmental Heat Sinks for Direct Cooling Ground Temperatures**

#### Summer period:

- Supply temperature12-18°C
- Temperature difference 1 to 4 Kelvin
- Cooling power10 40W/m<sub>BHEX</sub>









# Use of Environmental Heat Sinks for Direct Cooling

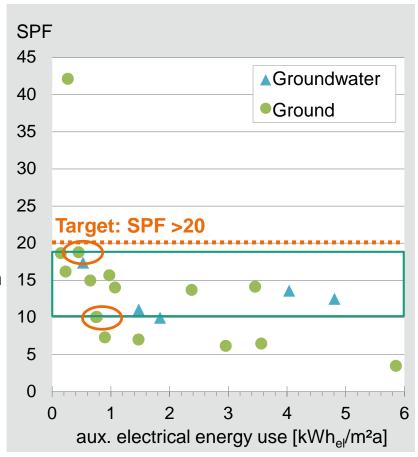
# **Analyses of Efficiency**

#### Cross-Comparison

- Direct cooling via bore-hole heat exchangers or groundwater
- Efficiency between SPF 10 and 20
- All systems studied reveal potential for further optimization
- → Temperature difference in primary circuit often smaller 2 Kelvin
- High auxiliary energy use of primary pump due to high pressure drops within hydraulic system and oversized pumps

#### Retrofitted Projects:

Good performance: SPF 10 and 19

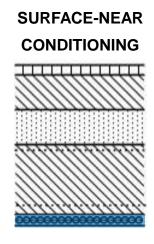


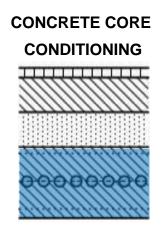


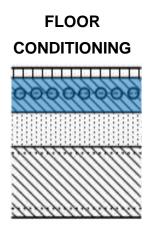


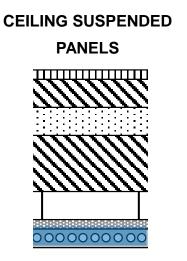
# **LowEx Cooling Systems**

# Cooling with high water supply temperatures

















retrofit

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**Radiant Cooling by** 



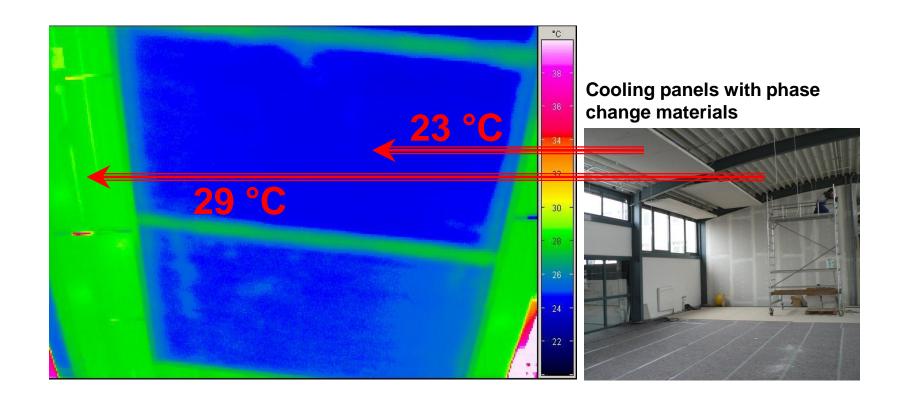
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# **Radiant Cooling by Suspended Panels**

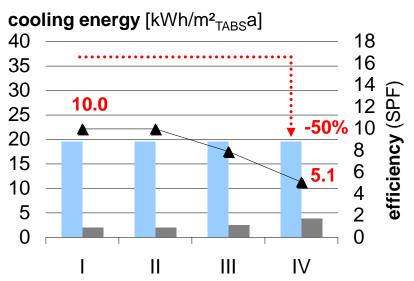




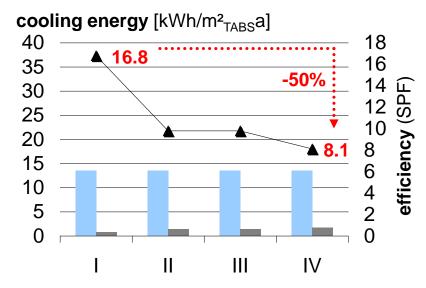
# Impact on efficiency by auxiliary energy use of pumps

- Considerable auxiliary energy use for distribution and delivery
- Reduction of energy efficiency: approximately 50 %







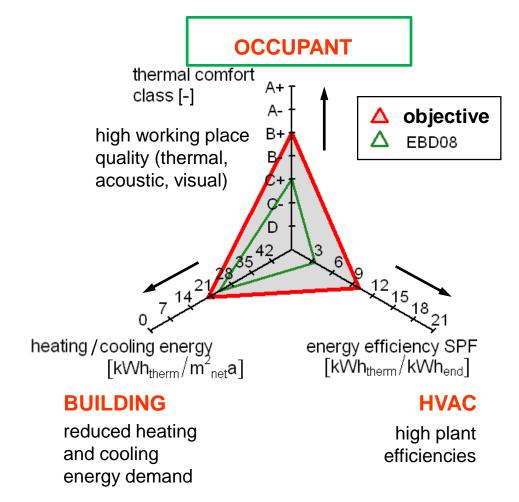






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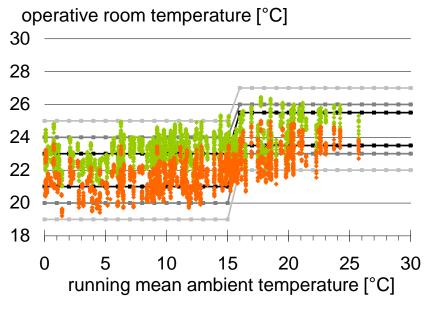




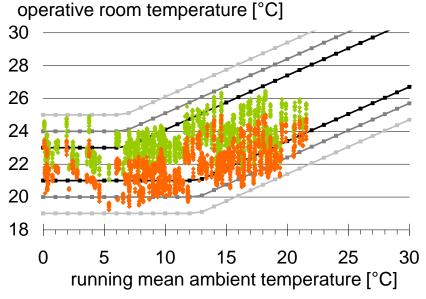
# Thermal Comfort according to DIN EN 15251

## **2 Thermal Comfort Models**

#### Static model (PMV)



#### **Adaptive model**



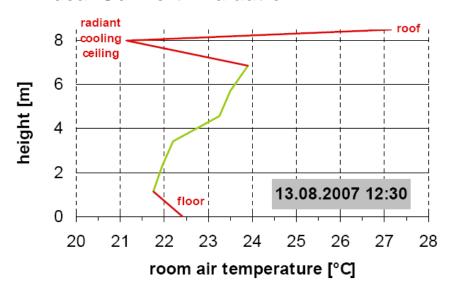




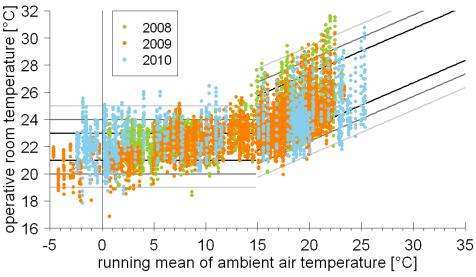
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## **Conditions in Summer**

#### **Local Comfort Evaluation**



#### **Global Comfort Evaluation**



- Higher supply water temperature of 18°C
  - → surface temperature 21°C
- Low vertical temperature differences
- Thermal comfort class II achieved according to adaptive model
- High influence of occupants



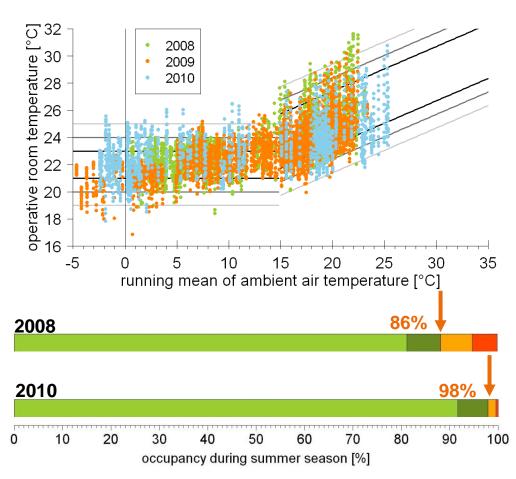


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# **Continuous Monitoring and Optimization**

- Continuous monitoring of HVAC, building and interior room conditions
- Performance of cooling system and thermal comfort could be improved

#### **Global Comfort Evaluation**





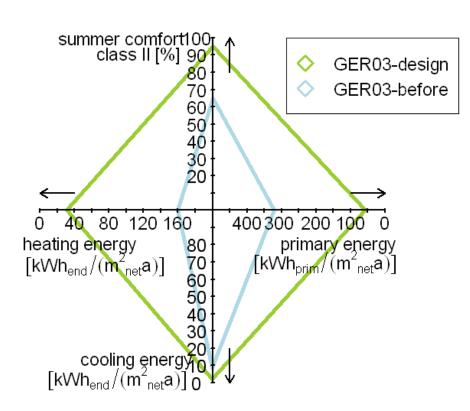


# Holistic Approach of total building's performance

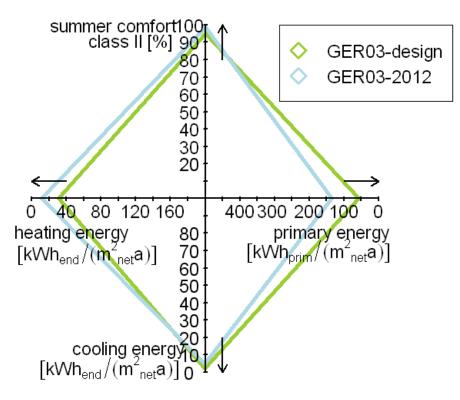
## Before and after the retrofit



#### **BEFORE Retrofit**



#### **AFTER Retrofit**







# **Summary and Conclusions**

#### Building

- Use of hybrid ventilation concepts and solar shading
- Mechanical ventilation systems with heat recovery, if possible
- Reduction of (specific) heating and cooling loads in order to use LowEx heating and cooling systems in combination with environmental heat sources and sinks

#### HVAC

- Primary energy consumption using ground-coupled (reversible) heat pumps is lower than conventional systems with gas boilers and compression chillers
- Use of waste heat is possible when radiant heating systems are applied
- Directly cooling using environmental heat sinks is very energy-efficient
- Auxiliary energy use for pumps and fans needs to be considered





# Thank you very much for your attention!



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