

# ON THE APPROXIMATION PROPERTIES OF CESÀRO MEANS OF NEGATIVE ORDER OF VILENKIN-FOURIER SERIES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we establish approximation properties of Cesàro  $(C, -\alpha)$  means with  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  of Vilenkin-Fourier series. This result allows one to obtain the condition which is sufficient for the convergence of the means  $\sigma_n^{-\alpha}(f, x)$  to  $f(x)$  in the  $L^p$ -metric.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $N_+$  denote the set of positive integers,  $N := N_+ \cup \{0\}$ . Let  $m := (m_0, m_1, \dots)$  denote a sequence of positive integers not less than 2. Denote by  $Z_{m_k} := \{0, 1, \dots, m_k - 1\}$  the additive group of integers modulo  $m_k$ . Define the group  $G_m$  as the complete direct product of the groups  $Z_{m_j}$  with the product of the discrete topologies of  $Z_{m_j}$ 's.

The direct product of the measures

$$\mu_k(\{j\}) := \frac{1}{m_k} \quad (j \in Z_{m_k}).$$

is the Haar measure on  $G_m$  with  $\mu(G_m) = 1$ . If the sequence  $m$  is bounded, then  $G_m$  is called a bounded Vilenkin group. The elements of  $G_m$  can be represented by sequences  $x := (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_j, \dots)$ ,  $(x_j \in Z_{m_j})$ . The group operation  $+$  in  $G_m$  is given by

$$x + y = ((x_0 + y_0) \bmod m_0, \dots, (x_k + y_k) \bmod m_k, \dots),$$

where  $x := (x_0, \dots, x_k, \dots)$  and  $y := (y_0, \dots, y_k, \dots) \in G_m$ .

The inverse of  $+$  will be denoted by  $-$ . It is easy to give a base for the neighborhoods of  $G_m$ :

$$I_0(x) := G_m$$

$$I_n(x) := \{y \in G_m \mid y_0 = x_0, \dots, y_{n-1} = x_{n-1}\}.$$

for  $x \in G_m$ ,  $n \in N$  define  $I_n = I_n(0)$  for  $n \in N_+$ . Set  $e_n := (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots) \in G_m$  the  $n$ th coordinate of which is 1 and the rest are zeros ( $n \in N$ ).

If we define the so-called generalized number system based on  $m$  in the following way:  $M_0 := 1$ ,  $M_{k+1} := m_k M_k$  ( $k \in N$ ), then every  $n \in N$  can be

uniquely expressed as  $n = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} n_j M_j$ , where  $n_j \in Z_{m_j}$  ( $j \in N_+$ ) and only a finite number of  $n_j$ 's differ from zero. We use the following notation. Let (for  $n > 0$ )  $|n| := \max\{k \in N : n_k \neq 0\}$  (that is,  $M_{|n|} \leq n < M_{|n|+1}$ ). Next, we introduce of  $G_m$  an orthonormal system which is called Vilenkin system. At first define the complex valued functions  $r_k(x) : G_m \rightarrow C$ . the generalized Rademacher functions in this way

$$r_k(x) := \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i x_k}{m_k}\right), \quad (i^2 = -1, x \in G_m, k \in N).$$

New define the Vilenkin system  $\psi := (\psi_n : n \in N)$  on  $G_m$  as follows.

$$\psi_n(x) := \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} r_k^{n_k}(x), \quad (n \in N).$$

Specifically, we call the system the Walsh-Paley on if  $m = 2$ . The Vilenkin system is orthonormal and complete in  $L^1(G_m)$ . Now, introduce analogues of the usual definitions of the Fourier analysis. If  $f \in L^1(G_m)$  we can establish the following definitions in the usual way:

Fourier coefficients:

$$\widehat{f}(k) := \int_{G_m} f \bar{\psi}_k d\mu, \quad (k \in N),$$

partial sums:

$$S_n f := \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \widehat{f}(k) \psi_k, \quad (n \in N_+, S_0 f := 0),$$

Fejér means:

$$\sigma_n f := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n S_k f, \quad (n \in N_+).$$

Dirichled kernels:

$$D_n := \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \psi_k, \quad (n \in N_+).$$

Fejér kernels:

$$K_n(x) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n D_k(x).$$

Recall that

$$(1) \quad D_{M_n}(x) = \begin{cases} M_n, & \text{if } x \in I_n, \\ 0, & \text{if } x \notin I_n. \end{cases}$$

It is well Known that

$$\sigma_n f(x) = \int_{G_m} f(t) K_n(x-t) d\mu(t).$$

The  $(c, \alpha)$  means of the Vilenkin-Fourier series are defined as

$$\sigma_n^{-\alpha}(f, x) = \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \sum_{k=0}^n A_{n-k}^{-\alpha} \widehat{f}(k) \psi_k(x).$$

where

$$A_0^\alpha = 1, \quad A_n^\alpha = \frac{(\alpha + 1) \dots (\alpha + n)}{n!}.$$

It is well Known that [11]

$$(2) \quad A_n^\alpha = \sum_{k=0}^n A_k^{\alpha-1}.$$

$$(3) \quad A_n^\alpha - A_{n-1}^\alpha = A_n^{\alpha-1}.$$

$$(4) \quad A_n^\alpha \sim n^\alpha.$$

The norm (or quasinorm) of the space  $L^p(G_m)$  is defined by

$$\|f\|_p := \left( \int_G |f(x)|^p d\mu(x) \right)^{1/p}, \quad (0 < p < \infty)$$

If  $f \in L^p(G_m)$ , then

$$\omega\left(\frac{1}{M_n}, f\right)_p = \sup_{h \in I_n} \|f(\cdot + h) - f(\cdot)\|_p.$$

The problems of summability of Cesàro means of positive order for walsh-Fourier series were studied in [7].

Tevzadze [9] has studied the uniform convergence of Cesàro means of negative order for walsh-Fourier series. In particular, in terms of moduli of continuity and variation of function  $f \in C_\omega([0, 1])$  he has proved the criterion for the uniform summability by the Cesàro method of negative order of Fourier series with respect to the Walsh system.

In [4],[5] U.Goginava proved conditions sufficient for the convergence of Cesàro means of negative order for walsh-Fourier series in space  $L^p([0, 1]), 1 \leq p \leq \infty$ .

In [4],[5],[9] the results were established without estimation of approximation.

In his monography [10] Zhizhinashvili investigated the behavior of Cesàro method of negative order for trigonometric Fourier series in detail. U. Goginava studied analogical question in case for the Walsh system.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $f$  belong to  $L^p([0, 1])$  for some  $p \in [1, \infty]$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . Then for any  $2^k \leq n < 2^{k+1}$  ( $k, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) the inequality*

$$\|\sigma_n^{-\alpha}(f) - f\|_p \leq c(p, \alpha) \left\{ 2^{k\alpha} \omega(1/2^{k-1}, f)_p + \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} 2^{r-k} \omega(1/2^r, f)_p \right\}$$

holds true.

In this paper we study analogical questions in case Vilenkin system.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $f$  belong to  $L^p(G_m)$  for some  $p \in [1, \infty]$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . Then for any  $M_k \leq n < M_{k+1}$  ( $k, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) the inequality*

$$\|\sigma_n^{-\alpha}(f) - f\|_p \leq c(p, \alpha) \left\{ M_k^\alpha \omega(1/M_{k-1}, f)_p + \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \frac{M_r}{M_k} \omega(1/M_r, f)_p \right\}$$

holds true.

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $f$  belong to  $L^p(G_m)$  for some  $p \in [0, +\infty]$  and let*

$$M_k^\alpha \omega(1/M_{k-1}, f)_p \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty, \quad (0 < \alpha < 1).$$

Then

$$\|\sigma_n^{-\alpha}(f) - f\|_p \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

## 2. AUXILIARY RESULTS

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  be real numbers. Then*

$$\frac{1}{n} \int_G \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k D_k(x) \right| d\mu(x) \leq \frac{c}{\sqrt{n}} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

where  $c$  is an absolute constant.

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $f \in L^p(G_m)$  for some  $p \in [1, \infty]$ . Then for every  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  the following estimations holds*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=0}^{M_{k-1}-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\ & \leq c(p, \alpha) \sum_{r=0}^{k-1} \frac{M_r}{M_k} \omega(1/M_k, f)_p, \end{aligned}$$

where  $M_k \leq n \leq M_{k+1}$ .

Proof of Lemma 2. Applying Abel's transformation, from (3) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(5) \quad & \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=0}^{M_{k-1}-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\
&= \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=1}^{M_{k-1}} A_{n-v-1}^{-\alpha} \psi_{v-1}(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\
&\leq \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=1}^{M_{k-1}-1} A_{n-v-1}^{-\alpha-1} D_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\
&+ \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} A_{n-M_{k-1}-1}^{-\alpha} D_{M_{k-1}}(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p = I_1 + I_2.
\end{aligned}$$

From the generalized Minkowski inequality, and by (1) and (4) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
(6) \quad I_2 &\leq c(\alpha) M_{k-1} \int_0^{1/M_{k-1}} \| [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] \|_p d\mu(u) \\
&= O(\omega(1/M_{k-1}, f))_p,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(7) \quad I_1 &\leq \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_r}^{M_{r+1}-1} A_{n-v-1}^{-\alpha-1} D_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\
&\leq \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_r}^{M_{r+1}-1} A_{n-v-1}^{-\alpha-1} D_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - S_{M_r}(\cdot \oplus u, f)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\
&+ \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_r}^{M_{r+1}-1} A_{n-v-1}^{-\alpha-1} D_v(u) [S_{M_r}(\cdot \oplus u, f) - S_{M_r}(\cdot, f)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\
&+ \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_r}^{M_{r+1}-1} A_{n-v-1}^{-\alpha-1} D_v(u) [S_{M_r}(\cdot, f) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\
&= I_{11} + I_{12} + I_{13}.
\end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 1 for  $I_{11}$  we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
(8) \quad & I_{11} \\
& \leq \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \int_{G_m} \left| \sum_{v=M_r}^{M_{r+1}-1} A_{n-v-1}^{-\alpha-1} D_v(u) \right| \|f(\cdot \oplus u) - S_{M_r}(\cdot \oplus u, f)\|_p d\mu(u) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \omega(1/M_r, f)_p \int_{G_m} \left| \sum_{v=M_r}^{M_{r+1}-1} A_{n-v-1}^{-\alpha-1} D_v(u) \right| d\mu(u) \\
& \leq c(\alpha) n^\alpha \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \omega(1/M_r, f)_p \sqrt{M_{r+1}} \left( \sum_{v=M_r}^{M_{r+1}-1} (n-v-1)^{-2\alpha-2} \right)^{1/2} \\
& \leq c(\alpha) n^\alpha \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \omega(1/M_r, f)_p \sqrt{M_{r+1}} (n - M_{r+1})^{-\alpha-1} \sqrt{M_{r+1}} \\
& \leq c(\alpha) n^\alpha \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \frac{M_{r+1}}{M_k^{\alpha+1}} \omega(1/M_r, f)_p \\
& \leq c(\alpha) \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \frac{M_r}{M_k} \omega(1/M_r, f)_p.
\end{aligned}$$

Analogously, we can prove that

$$(9) \quad I_{13} \leq c(\alpha) \sum_{r=0}^{k-2} \frac{M_r}{M_k} \omega(1/M_r, f)_p.$$

It is easy to show that

$$(10) \quad I_{12} = 0.$$

Combining (5)-(10) we receive the proof of Lemma 2.

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $f \in L^p(G_m)$  for some  $p \in [1, \infty]$ . Then for every  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  the following estimations hold*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\
& \leq c(p, \alpha) \omega(1/M_{k-1}, f)_p M_k^\alpha
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_k}^n A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p$$

$$\leq c(p, \alpha) \omega(1/M_k, f)_p M_k^\alpha$$

where  $M_k \leq n < M_{k+1}$ .

Proof of Lemma 3. We can write

$$(11) \quad II = \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p$$

$$= \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) f(\cdot \oplus u) d\mu(u) \right\|_p$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - S_{M_{k-1}}(\cdot \oplus u, f)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p$$

$$+ \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) S_{M_{k-1}}(\cdot \oplus u, f) d\mu(u) \right\|_p = II_1 + II_2.$$

It is evident that

$$(12) \quad II_2 = 0.$$

Using generalized Minkowski's inequality we have

$$(13) \quad II_1 \leq \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \int_{G_m} \left| \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) \right| \left\| [f(\cdot \oplus u) - S_{M_{k-1}}(\cdot \oplus u, f)] \right\|_p d\mu(u)$$

$$\leq c(\alpha) n^\alpha \omega(1/M_{k-1}, f)_p \int_{G_m} \left| \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) \right| d\mu(u).$$

Let  $t \in I_{A-1} \setminus I_A$ ,  $A \in N$  and  $M_k = pM_A + q$ , where  $0 \leq q < M_A$ . We have

$$(14) \quad \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(t) = \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{pM_A-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{v=pM_A}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(t) = \sum_{r=M_{k-1}/M_A}^{p-1} \sum_{v=rM_A}^{(r+1)M_A-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(t) \\
& + \sum_{v=0}^{q-1} A_{n-v-pM_A}^{-\alpha} \psi_{v+pM_A}(t) = \sum_{r=M_{k-1}/M_A}^{p-1} \sum_{v=0}^{M_A-1} A_{n-v-rM_A}^{-\alpha} \psi_{v+rM_A}(t) \\
& + \sum_{v=0}^{q-1} A_{n-v-pM_A}^{-\alpha} \psi_{v+pM_A}(t) = \sum_{r=M_{k-1}/M_A}^{p-2} \psi_{rM_A}(t) \sum_{v=0}^{M_A-1} A_{n-v-rM_A}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(t) \\
& \quad + \psi_{(p-1)M_A}(t) \sum_{v=0}^{M_A-1} A_{n-v-(p-1)M_A}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(t) \\
& \quad + \frac{1}{A_n^\alpha} \psi_{rM_A}(t) \sum_{v=0}^{q-1} A_{q-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(t) = A_1 + A_2 + A_3.
\end{aligned}$$

Estimate  $A_1$ . Since  $D_{M_A}(t) = 0, t \in I_{A-1} \setminus I_A$ , using Abelian transformation, we have

$$|A_1| = \left| \sum_{r=M_{k-1}/M_A}^{p-1} \psi_{rM_A}(t) \sum_{v=0}^{M_A-2} A_{n-v-rM_A}^{-\alpha-1} D_v(t) \right|.$$

Since  $|D_k(t)| \leq k, t \in G_m$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
(15) \quad |A_1| & \leq c(\alpha) M_A \sum_{r=M_{k-1}/M_A}^{p-2} \sum_{v=0}^{M_A} (n - rM_A - v)^{-\alpha-1} \\
& \leq c(\alpha) M_A (n - (p-1)M_A)^{-\alpha} \leq c(\alpha) M_A^{1-\alpha}.
\end{aligned}$$

For  $A_2$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(16) \quad |A_2| & \leq c(\alpha) \frac{1}{A_n^\alpha} \sum_{v=0}^{M_A-1} (n - (p-1)M_A - v)^{-\alpha} \\
& \leq c(\alpha) \sum_{v=0}^{M_A-1} (M_A + q - v)^{-\alpha} \leq c(\alpha) M_A^{1-\alpha}.
\end{aligned}$$

We can write

$$\begin{aligned}
(17) \quad |A_3| & \leq c(\alpha) \sum_{v=0}^{q-1} (q - v)^{-\alpha} \\
& \leq c(\alpha) q^{1-\alpha} \leq c(\alpha) M_A^{1-\alpha}.
\end{aligned}$$



Combining (14)-(17) we obtain

$$(18) \quad \left| \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) \right| \leq c(\alpha) M_A^{1-\alpha}, \quad t \in I_{A-1} \setminus I_A.$$

We can write

$$(19) \quad \int_{G_m} \left| \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) \right| d\mu(u) = \sum_{A=1}^k \int_{I_{A-1} \setminus I_A} \left| \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) \right| d\mu(u) \\ + \int_{I_k} \left| \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) \right| d\mu(u) \leq c(\alpha) \sum_{A=1}^k \frac{1}{M_A} M_A^{1-\alpha} \\ + \frac{c(\alpha)}{M_k} M_k^{1-\alpha} \leq c(\alpha).$$

Combining (18)-(19) we have

$$(20) \quad II_1 \leq c(\alpha) \omega(1/M_{k-1}, f)_p M_k^\alpha.$$

Combining (11)-(20) we conclude that

$$(21) \quad \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\ \leq c(\alpha) \omega(1/M_{k-1}, f)_p M_k^\alpha.$$

Analogously, we can prove that

$$(22) \quad \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \left\| \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_k}^n A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(u) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \right\|_p \\ \leq c(\alpha) \omega(1/M_k, f)_p M_k^\alpha.$$

Lemma 3 proved.

## 3. PROOFS OF MAIN RESULTS

Proof of Theorem 1. We can write

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_n^{-\alpha}(f, x) - f(x) &= \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=0}^n A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(x) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \\
&= \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=0}^{M_{k-1}-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(x) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_{k-1}}^{M_k-1} A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(x) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{A_n^{-\alpha}} \int_{G_m} \sum_{v=M_k}^n A_{n-v}^{-\alpha} \psi_v(x) [f(\cdot \oplus u) - f(\cdot)] d\mu(u) = I + II + III
\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\|\sigma_n^{-\alpha}(f, x) - f(x)\|_p \leq \|I\|_p + \|II\|_p + \|III\|_p$$

From Lemma 2 and Lemma 3 the proof of theorem is complete.

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