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ON VARIETIES OF PSEUDO MV -ALGEBRAS

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Abstract. In this paper we investigate the relation between the lattice of varieties of pseudo MV -algebras and the lattice of varieties of lattice ordered groups.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

The notion of pseudo MV -algebra has been introduced by Georgescu and Iorgulescu [4], [5] and by Rachůnek [8] (in [8], the term ‘generalized MV -algebra’ has been used).

We denote by \mathcal{V}_1 and \mathcal{V}_2 the collection of all varieties of pseudo MV -algebras and the collection of all varieties of lattice ordered groups, respectively. Under the set-theoretical inclusion, \mathcal{V}_1 and \mathcal{V}_2 are lattices.

In this paper we describe an injective mapping φ of \mathcal{V}_2 into \mathcal{V}_1 such that for any $Z_1, Z_2 \in \mathcal{V}_2$ we have

$$Z_1 \subseteq Z_2 \Leftrightarrow \varphi(Z_1) \subseteq \varphi(Z_2).$$

If G is a lattice ordered group with a strong unit u , then the pair (G, u) is called a unital lattice ordered group.

We will apply a result of Dvurečenskij [2] on the relations between pseudo MV -algebras and unital lattice ordered groups.

We define the notion of the regular class of unital lattice ordered groups and we denote by \mathcal{U} the collection of all such classes. We consider the partial order on \mathcal{U} defined by the class-theoretical inclusion.

Our method is as follows. First, we prove some auxiliary results concerning neutral ideals of and congruence relations on pseudo MV -algebras.

Then we construct an isomorphism of \mathcal{U} onto \mathcal{V}_1 . Finally, we describe an injective order-preserving mapping of \mathcal{V}_2 into \mathcal{U} .

For the results and for the bibliography concerning the varieties of MV -algebras cf. Chapter 8 of the monograph Cignoli, D'Ottaviano and Mundici [1].

2. PRELIMINARIES

For the sake of completeness, we recall the definition of a pseudo MV -algebra.

Let $\mathcal{A} = (A; \oplus, \neg, \sim, 0, 1)$ be an algebra of type $(2, 1, 1, 0, 0)$. For $x, y \in A$ we put

$$y \odot x = \sim (\neg x \oplus \neg y).$$

Assume that \mathcal{A} satisfies the following identities:

$$(A1) \quad x \oplus (y \oplus z) = (x \oplus y) \oplus z;$$

$$(A2) \quad x \oplus 0 = 0 \oplus x = x;$$

$$(A3) \quad x \oplus 1 = 1 \oplus x = 1;$$

$$(A4) \quad \sim 1 = 0; \neg 1 = 0;$$

$$(A5) \quad \sim (\neg x \oplus \neg y) = \neg(\sim x \oplus \sim y);$$

$$(A6) \quad x \oplus \sim x \odot y = y \oplus \sim y \odot x = x \odot \neg y \oplus y = y \odot \neg x \oplus x;$$

$$(A7) \quad x \odot (\neg x \oplus y) = (x \oplus \sim y) \oplus y;$$

$$(A8) \quad \sim (\sim x) = x.$$

Then \mathcal{A} is called a pseudo MV -algebra.

Let (G, u) be a unital lattice ordered group. Further, let A be the interval $[0, u]$ of G . For $x, y \in A$ we put

$$x \oplus y = (x + y) \wedge u, \quad \neg x = u - x, \quad \sim x = -x + u, \quad 1 = u.$$

Then the algebraic structure

$$\Gamma(G, u) = (A; \oplus, \neg, \sim, 0, u)$$

is a pseudo MV -algebra.

Dvurečenskij [2] proved that for each pseudo MV -algebra \mathcal{A} there exists a unital lattice ordered group (G, u) such that $\mathcal{A} = \Gamma(G, u)$.

Let $\text{Con } \mathcal{A}$ and $\text{Con } G$ be the lattice of all congruence relations on \mathcal{A} and on G , respectively. For $\varrho \in \text{Con } G$ we denote by $\psi_0(\varrho)$ the equivalence on A defined by

$$(1) \quad a_1 \psi_0(\varrho) a_2 \quad \text{iff} \quad a_1 \varrho a_2,$$

where $a_1, a_2 \in A$.

The relations between $\text{Con } \mathcal{A}$ and $\text{Con } G$ for the particular case when \mathcal{A} is an MV -algebra have been dealt with in [6, Section 1]; cf. also Cignoli, D'Ottaviano and Mundici [1, Chapter 7].

Let us now consider the case when \mathcal{A} is a pseudo MV -algebra. Then G need not be abelian. In this case we have to modify the method from [6] in the following two points:

1) Let $\varrho_1 \in \text{Con } \mathcal{A}$ and $0(\varrho_1) = \{a' \in A: 0\varrho_1 a'\}$. Further, let X_0 be the convex ℓ -subgroup of G generated by the set $0(\varrho_1)$. We apply Theorem 6.10 from [3] to obtain the fact that X_0 is an ℓ -ideal of G .

2) The expressions

$$t = \neg(a_2 \oplus \neg a_3), \quad t\varrho_1(a_2 \oplus \neg a_2)$$

in the proof of 1.5 in [6] are to be replaced by

$$t = \neg(a_2 \oplus \sim a_3), \quad t\varrho_1 \neg(a_2 \oplus \sim a_2).$$

The remaining arguments and the results of Section 1 in [6] remain valid for the pseudo MV -algebra \mathcal{A} . Thus we have

2.1. Lemma. *The mapping ψ_0 is an isomorphism of the lattice $\text{Con } G$ onto the lattice $\text{Con } \mathcal{A}$.*

Let ϱ be as above; put $\varrho_1 = \psi_0(\varrho)$. For $g \in G$ we denote by \bar{g} the congruence class in ϱ containing the element g . Further, we construct in the usual way the factor structure $G/\varrho = \bar{G}$ which has the underlying set $\{\bar{g}: g \in G\}$. Then (\bar{G}, \bar{u}) is a unital lattice ordered group.

Similarly we can construct the factor structure $\bar{\mathcal{A}}^1 = \mathcal{A}/\varrho_1$; its underlying set is $\{\bar{a}^1: a \in A\}$, where \bar{a}^1 is the congruence class in ϱ_1 containing the element a of A . Hence $\bar{\mathcal{A}}^1$ is a factor pseudo MV -algebra of \mathcal{A} .

In view of [6, 1.5 and 1.8], for each $a \in A$ we have

$$(2) \quad \bar{a}^1 = A \cap \bar{a}.$$

For each $a \in A$ we put

$$\tau(\bar{a}^1) = \bar{a}.$$

Then in view of (2), τ is a correctly defined mapping of the set \bar{A}^1 onto the interval $[\bar{0}, \bar{u}]$ of \bar{G} . Clearly $\tau(\bar{0}^1) = \bar{0}$, $\tau(\bar{u}^1) = \bar{u}$.

Consider the pseudo MV-algebras $\overline{\mathcal{A}}^1$ and $\Gamma(\overline{G}, \overline{u})$. Let $x, y \in A$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{x} \oplus \overline{y} &= (\overline{x} + \overline{y}) \wedge \overline{u} = \overline{(x + y) \wedge u}, \\ \overline{x}^1 \oplus \overline{y}^1 &= \overline{x \oplus y}^1 = \overline{(x + y) \wedge u}^1,\end{aligned}$$

whence $\tau(\overline{x}^1 \oplus \overline{y}^1) = \overline{x} \oplus \overline{y}$.

Similarly we can verify the relations

$$\tau(\sim \overline{x}^1) = \sim \overline{x}, \quad \tau(\sim \overline{x}^1) = \sim \overline{x}.$$

Summarizing, we obtain

2.2. Lemma. *The mapping τ is an isomorphism of the pseudo MV-algebra $\overline{\mathcal{A}}^1$ onto the pseudo MV-algebra $\Gamma(\overline{G}, \overline{u})$.*

For the related result concerning MV-algebras cf. Theorem 7.4.2 in [1].

2.3. Lemma. *Let G_0 be a lattice ordered group and let $\emptyset \neq X \subseteq G_0^+$. Assume that the following conditions are valid:*

- (i) X is closed with respect to the operation $+$;
- (ii) X is a sublattice of the lattice G_0^+ ;
- (iii) $x + X = X + x$ for each $x \in X$;
- (iv) if $x_1, x_2 \in X$ and $x_1 \leq x_2$, then $-x_1 + x_2 \in X$ and $x_2 - x_1 \in X$.

Put $Y = \{x_1 - x_2 : x_1, x_2 \in X\}$. Then Y is an ℓ -subgroup of G_0 and $Y^+ = X$.

Proof. a) Let $y, y' \in Y$. Hence there are $x_1, x_2, x'_1, x'_2 \in X$ such that $y = x_1 - x_2$, $y' = x'_1 - x'_2$. Then

$$y + y' = x_1 - x_2 + x'_1 - x'_2.$$

In view of (iii) there is $x''_1 \in X$ such that $-x_2 + x'_1 = x''_1 - x_2$, whence according to (i) we have

$$y + y' = (x_1 + x''_1) - (x'_2 + x_2) \in Y.$$

Further, $-y = x_2 - x_1 \in Y$. Hence Y is a subgroup of the group G_0 .

b) Let $y \in Y$, $y \geq 0$. Under the notation as above we have $x_1 \geq x_2$. Then in view of (iv), $y \in X$.

c) Let y and y' be as in a). Denote $z = -x_2 - x'_2$. Hence $y \geq z$, $y' \geq z$. Then in view a) and b) we obtain $y - z \in X$, $y' - z \in X$. Thus according to (ii) we have

$$(y - z) \vee (y' - z) = v \in X.$$

By applying a) we get $v + z \in Y$, whence $y \vee y' \in Y$. Analogously we obtain the relation $y \wedge y' \in Y$. Hence Y is an ℓ -subgroup of G_0 . Further, from $X \subseteq G_0^+$ and from b) we conclude that $Y^+ = X$. \square

Now let us suppose that G_0 is a lattice ordered group with a strong unit u and that \mathcal{A}_1 is a subalgebra of the pseudo MV -algebra $\Gamma(G_0, u)$. Let A_1 be the underlying set of \mathcal{A}_1 . Hence $A_1 \subseteq G_0^+$.

We will apply some results of Section 2 of [2]. We denote by X the set of all elements $g \in G_0$ which can be expressed in the form

$$g = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n \quad (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in A_1, \quad n \geq 1).$$

Then X satisfies the condition (i) from 2.3. Further, from Proposition 3.7 and Proposition 3.8 in [2] we conclude that the conditions (ii), (iii) and (iv) from 2.3 are satisfied as well. Let Y be as in 2.3; thus Y is an ℓ -subgroup of G_0 .

We denote by $[0, u]_2$ the interval with the endpoints 0 and u in Y .

2.4. Lemma. $[0, u]_2 = A_1$.

Proof. Let $a \in A_1$. Then $0 \leq a \leq u$. Further, $a \in X \subseteq Y$, whence $a \in [0, u]_2$. Conversely, let $t \in [0, u]_2$. Then $0 \leq t \leq u$ and $t \in Y$. Thus in view of 2.3, $t \in X$. Hence there are $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in A_1$ with $t = a_1 + \dots + a_n$. Because $t \leq u$, by considering the pseudo MV -algebra $\Gamma(G_0, u)$ we conclude that we have

$$(*) \quad t = a_1 \oplus \dots \oplus a_n$$

in $\Gamma(G_0, u)$. Since \mathcal{A}_1 is a subalgebra of $\Gamma(G_0, u)$, the equality $(*)$ holds in \mathcal{A}_1 as well. Therefore $t \in A_1$. □

In view of 2.3, 2.4 and of the fact that \mathcal{A}_1 is a subalgebra of $\Gamma(G_0, u)$ we obtain

2.5. Lemma. Under the notation as above, $\mathcal{A}_1 = \Gamma(Y, u)$.

3. REGULAR CLASSES OF UNITAL LATTICE ORDERED GROUPS

We denote by \mathcal{G}_0 the class of all unital lattice ordered groups. Let $(G_i, u_i)_{i \in I}$ be an indexed system of elements of \mathcal{G}_0 . Consider the direct product

$$G^0 = \prod_{i \in I} G_i.$$

For $g \in G^0$ and $i \in I$ we denote by $g(G_i)$ the component of the element g in G_i . There exists $u^0 \in G^0$ such that $u^0(G_i) = u_i$ for each $i \in I$. Let G^1 be the convex

ℓ -subgroup of G^0 which is generated by the element u^0 . Then u^0 is a strong unit of G^1 , whence $(G^1, u^0) \in \mathcal{G}_0$. We denote

$$G^1 = \prod_{i \in I}^1 G_i.$$

Assume that (G_1, u_1) belongs to \mathcal{G}_0 and let φ be a homomorphism of G_1 into a lattice ordered group G_2 . Then $\varphi(u_1)$ is a strong unit of $\varphi(G_1)$, hence $(\varphi(G_1), \varphi(u_1)) \in \mathcal{G}_0$. We say that $((\varphi(G_1), \varphi(u_1)))$ is a homomorphic image of (G_1, u_1) (under the homomorphism φ).

Let X_0 be the kernel of φ and let ϱ be the congruence relation on G_1 determined by the ℓ -ideal X_0 . For $x \in G_1$ we denote by \bar{x} the class of the partition of G_1 corresponding to ϱ such that $x \in \bar{x}$. Hence \bar{u}_1 is a strong unit of $G_1/\varrho = \bar{G}_1$ and (\bar{G}_1, \bar{u}_1) is isomorphic to $(\varphi(G_1), \varphi(u_1))$.

3.1. Definition. A nonempty subclass Y of \mathcal{G}_0 is called regular if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) Let $(H_1, u_1) \in Y$ and let H_2 be an ℓ -subgroup of H_1 such that $u_1 \in H_2$. Then $(H_2, u_1) \in Y$.
- (ii) The class Y is closed with respect to homomorphisms.
- (iii) Assume that $(G_i, u_i)_{i \in I}$ is an indexed system of elements of Y . Let u^0 and G^1 be as above. Then $(G^1, u^0) \in Y$.

Let $X \in \mathcal{V}_1$. Each element $\mathcal{A} \in X$ can be written as $\mathcal{A} = \Gamma(G, u)$ with $(G, u) \in \mathcal{G}_0$. We denote by Y the class of all such (G, u) .

3.2. Lemma. *The class Y satisfies the condition (i) from 3.1.*

Proof. Assume that H_1, H_2 and u_1 are as in the condition (i) of 3.1. There exists $\mathcal{A}_1 \in X$ with $\mathcal{A}_1 = \Gamma(H_1, u_1)$.

The element u_1 is a strong unit of H_2 , hence we can construct the pseudo MV-algebra $\mathcal{A}_2 = \Gamma(H_2, u_1)$.

Let us denote by \oplus_i, \neg_i and \sim_i the corresponding operations in \mathcal{A}_i ($i = 1, 2$). If $+, -$ and \wedge are the operations in H_1 , then from the fact that H_2 is an ℓ -subgroup of H_1 we conclude that for $h, h' \in H_2$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} h \oplus_1 h' &= (h + h') \wedge u_1 = h \oplus_2 h', \\ \neg_1 h &= u_1 - h = \neg_2 h, \quad \sim_1 h = -h + u_1 = \sim_2 h. \end{aligned}$$

Hence \mathcal{A}_2 is a subalgebra of \mathcal{A}_1 . Since $\mathcal{A}_1 \in X$, we get $\mathcal{A}_2 \in X$. Thus $(H_2, u_1) \in Y$. □

3.3. Lemma. *The class Y satisfies the condition (ii) from 3.1.*

Proof. Let $(G, u) \in Y$ and let $(\varphi(G), \varphi(u))$ be a homomorphic image of (G, u) . Then without loss of generality we can assume that $(\varphi(G), \varphi(u)) = (\overline{G}, \overline{u})$, where $\overline{G} = G/\varrho$ for some congruence relation ϱ on G . Thus in view of 2.2, $\Gamma(\overline{G}, \overline{u})$ is isomorphic to a pseudo MV -algebra $\overline{\mathcal{A}}^1 = \Gamma(G, u) \in X$. Then $\overline{\mathcal{A}}^1 \in X$, whence $(\overline{G}, \overline{u}) \in Y$. \square

3.4. Lemma. *The class Y satisfies the condition (iii) from 3.1.*

Proof. Suppose that the assumptions of the condition (iii) of 3.1 are satisfied. For each $i \in I$ there exists $\mathcal{A}_i \in X$ with $\mathcal{A}_i = \Gamma(G_i, u_i)$. Put

$$\mathcal{A} = \Gamma(G^1, u^0).$$

From the relation

$$G^1 = \prod_{i \in I}^1 G_i$$

we conclude that the interval $[0, u^0]$ of G^1 can be written as a direct product

$$[0, u^0] = \prod_{i \in I} [0, u_i].$$

Thus in view of the results of [6], the pseudo MV -algebra \mathcal{A} is isomorphic to the direct product of the pseudo MV -algebras \mathcal{A}_i ($i \in I$). Therefore \mathcal{A} belongs to the variety X . This yields that (G^1, u^0) is an element of Y . \square

Under the notation as above we put $Y = \psi_1(X)$. Thus according to 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4 we have

3.5. Lemma. *ψ_1 is a mapping of the collection \mathcal{V}_1 into \mathcal{U} .*

Now let $Y_1 \in \mathcal{U}$. We denote by X_1 the class of all pseudo MV -algebras \mathcal{A} such that $\mathcal{A} = \Gamma(G, u)$ for some $(G, u) \in Y_1$.

3.6. Lemma. *The class X_1 is closed with respect to subalgebras.*

Proof. Let $\mathcal{A} \in X_1$. Thus there is $(G, u) \in Y_1$ with $\mathcal{A} = \Gamma(G, u)$. Let \mathcal{A}_1 be a subalgebra of \mathcal{A} . In view of 2.5 there exists an ℓ -subgroup G_1 of G such that u is a strong unit of G_1 and $\mathcal{A}_1 = \Gamma(G_1, u)$. Then we have $(G_1, u) \in Y_1$, whence $\mathcal{A}_1 \in X_1$. \square

3.7. Lemma. *The class X_1 is closed with respect to homomorphic images.*

Proof. Let $\mathcal{A} \in X_1$. It suffices to verify that, whenever ϱ_1 is a congruence relation on \mathcal{A} , then \mathcal{A}/ϱ_1 belongs to X_1 .

Let (G, u) be as in the proof of 3.6 and let ϱ_1 be a congruence relation on \mathcal{A} . Put $\mathcal{A}/\varrho_1 = \overline{\mathcal{A}}^1$. Let $(\overline{G}, \overline{u})$ be as in 2.2. Since Y_1 is closed with respect to homomorphisms, we get $(\overline{G}, \overline{u}) \in Y_1$ and hence $\Gamma(\overline{G}, \overline{u}) \in X_1$. Then according to 2.2 we obtain that \mathcal{A}/ϱ_1 belongs to X_1 . \square

3.8. Lemma. *The class X_1 is closed with respect to direct products.*

Proof. Let $(\mathcal{A}_i)_{i \in I}$ be an indexed system of elements of X_1 . For each $i \in I$ there exists $(G_i, u_i) \in Y_1$ with $\Gamma(G_i, u_i) = \mathcal{A}_i$. Put

$$(*) \quad \mathcal{A} = \prod_{i \in I} \mathcal{A}_i.$$

Further, let (G^1, u^0) be as above. Since $Y_1 \in \mathcal{U}$ and $(G_i, u_i) \in Y_1$ we get $(G^1, u^0) \in Y_1$. The relation $(*)$ yields that $\mathcal{A} = \Gamma(G^1, u^0)$. Thus $\mathcal{A} \in X_1$. \square

In view of 3.6, 3.7 and 3.8 we have

3.9. Lemma. *The class X_1 is a variety of pseudo MV-algebras.*

Let us put $X_1 = \chi_1(Y_1)$ for each $Y_1 \in \mathcal{U}$. From the definitions of ψ_1 and χ_1 we immediately obtain

3.10. Lemma.

- (i) $\chi_1 = \psi_1^{-1}$.
- (ii) If $X_1, X_2 \in \mathcal{V}_1$ and $Y_1, Y_2 \in \mathcal{U}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 \subseteq X_2 &\Leftrightarrow \psi_1(X_1) \subseteq \psi_1(X_2), \\ Y_1 \subseteq Y_2 &\Leftrightarrow \chi_1(Y_1) \subseteq \chi_1(Y_2). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we get as a corollary

3.11. Theorem. *ψ_1 is an isomorphism of the partially ordered set \mathcal{V}_1 onto the partially ordered collection \mathcal{U} .*

4. THE RELATION BETWEEN \mathcal{U} AND \mathcal{V}_2

Assume that Z is a variety of lattice ordered groups. We denote by Y the class of all unital lattice ordered groups (G, u) such that G belongs to Z .

4.1. Lemma. *The class Y is regular.*

Proof. It is obvious that Y is nonempty. We have to verify that the conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) from 3.1 are satisfied.

The validity of (i) and of (ii) is obvious. Let $(G_i, u_i)_{i \in I}$, u^0 and G^1 be as in the condition (iii) of 3.1. Further, let G^0 be as above. Then $G_i \in Z$ for each $i \in I$, hence $G^0 \in Z$ and thus G^1 belongs to Z as well. Also, u^0 is a strong unit of G^1 . Therefore $(G^1, u^0) \in Y$. Thus the condition (iii) from 3.1 is satisfied. \square

If Z and Y are as above, then we write $Y = \psi_2(Z)$. Hence ψ_2 is a mapping of \mathcal{V}_2 into \mathcal{U} . It is clear that if Z_1, Z_2 are elements of \mathcal{V}_2 , then

$$Z_1 \subseteq Z_2 \Rightarrow \psi_2(Z_1) \subseteq \psi_2(Z_2).$$

4.2. Lemma. *Let $Z_1, Z_2 \in \mathcal{V}_2$. Assume that Z_1 is not a subclass of Z_2 . Then $\psi_2(Z_1)$ is not a subclass of $\psi_2(Z_2)$.*

Proof. By way of contradiction, assume that

$$(1) \quad \psi_2(Z_1) \subseteq \psi_2(Z_2).$$

Since the varieties can be defined by identities and since the relation $Z_1 \subseteq Z_2$ fails to be valid we conclude that there exists an identity

$$(2) \quad p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = q(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

where p and q are terms constructed by the operations $+$, $-$, \wedge , \vee such that

- (i) the identity (2) is valid for Z_2 ,
- (ii) the identity (2) fails to be valid for Z_1 .

In view of (ii), there exists $G_1 \in Z_1$ such that G_1 does not satisfy the identity (2). Hence there are elements $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n \in G_1$ such that

$$(3) \quad p(g_1, \dots, g_n) \neq q(g_1, \dots, g_n).$$

Put

$$u = |g_1| \vee |g_2| \vee \dots \vee |g_n|$$

and let G'_1 be the convex ℓ -subgroup of G_1 which is generated by the element u . Then u is a strong unit of G'_1 , whence

$$(G'_1, u) \in \psi_2(Z_1).$$

Thus according to (1) we have $(G'_1, u) \in \psi_2(Z_2)$. This yields that $G'_1 \in Z_2$ and then, in view of (i), G'_1 satisfies the identity (2). Since $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n \in G'_1$, according to (3) we have arrived at a contradiction. \square

Summarizing, from 4.1 and 4.2 we conclude

4.3. Proposition. ψ_2 is an injective mapping of \mathcal{V}_2 into \mathcal{U} such that for $Z_1, Z_2 \in \mathcal{V}_2$ we have

$$Z_1 \subseteq Z_2 \Leftrightarrow \psi_2(Z_1) \subseteq \psi_2(Z_2).$$

Hence according to 3.10 we obtain

4.4. Theorem. There exists an injective mapping φ of \mathcal{V}_2 into \mathcal{V}_1 such that for $Z_1, Z_2 \in \mathcal{V}_2$ we have

$$Z_1 \subseteq Z_2 \Leftrightarrow \varphi(Z_1) \subseteq \varphi(Z_2).$$

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