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Section 2. Overview

The Storm 420 Series Encoder provides an interface between keypad and host system. It can be supplied either as a separate encoder module or pre-assembled into a Storm keypad to suit end user requirements.

Features / Specifications

- Input Power + 5V ± 0.25V dc
- RS232 Output via 6 pin Molex 2.54mm (.100") Pitch KK® Series Connector
- Drives Powertip 80 Character LCD Display from keypad
- Direct connection to underpanel mounted 12 key, 16 key, 20 key Storm Keypads.
- Ribbon Cable needed for top panel fixing 4 key, 12 key, 16 key Storm Keypads
- Overall Footprint 89mm x 66mm

Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)

Storm 420 Series Encoders are classified as a component with regard to the European Community EMC regulations. It is the equipment manufacturers responsibility to ensure that systems using the Storm 420 Series Encoder are compliant with the appropriate EMC standards.

If the electronic system requires input protection against high voltage transients (to meet CE requirements) it is recommended that an external interface board is located at the point where the external wiring enters the electronic system enclosure.

Application: Use of 420 Series Encoder to drive LCD and provide RS232 output on Storm Integrated Keypad / Display Module.

As a combination the Storm Integrated Keypad/ Display Module with Encoder forms a complete serial communications device. Alphanumeric output from the unit is communicated via the familiar RS232 physical link layer.

The keypad has 20 keys including ten numeric keys and a further ten special function keys. The LCD module displays 80 characters across 4 lines. Both the keypad and LCD module may be backlit from the controller board.

The module has been designed in such a way that it can be used as part of an embedded application, possibly using a separate host microcontroller or PC to communicate with the module. Alternatively it may be used as an input interface since the keypad and LCD functions have been designed to be familiar to most users.

The keypad is arranged as a 5-row, 4 column matrix and is scanned and debounced by the module's built-in microprocessor. The debounce filter is set at 64ms. No typematic key rollover function is implemented. Multi-key lockout is, however, implemented in the firmware.

Application: Use of 420 Series Encoder to provide RS232 output from Storm K Range Keypads

The encoder can either be fitted directly to the rear of a standard Storm K Range Keypad, or remotely by a ribbon cable.

Where Storm K Range Keypads are underpanel mounted the 420 Encoder can be directly connected, requiring no additional mounting hardware.

The overall depth required to house the 420 Encoder is 32mm (1.25in) when measured from back of keypad.

Where Storm K Range Keypads are fixed to a panel surface, a ribbon cable and mounting hardware are required (these items not included with encoder)



Section 3. Communications Protocol

Physical Link Layer

The module transmits and receives data using RS232 signalling with a voltage swing of approximately $\pm 9V$. DIP Configuration Switch 8 selects between 9600 baud (DIP switch off) and 1200 baud (DIP Switch on). In both conditions, 8-bit data is used with no parity and one stop bit. This may be summarised as follows....

DIP8 OFF 9600,8,N,1 DIP8 ON 1200,8,N,1

No software or hardware handshaking is used since the data rate is low relative to the bandwidth of the communications protocol.

Only the TX, RX and Ground signals are employed. The chosen nomenclature is that TX means transmission out of the module.

Data buffering

Both data transmission and reception are controlled by the module's built in microprocessor using a pair of stacksone for transmitted characters and one for received characters. These allow the application to send data to and from the unit largely without consideration of the timing constraints of the RS232 physical link layer.

Provided the stacks are not filled, data can be freely sent to and received from the module and the module will buffer the characters until such times as it is able to process them.

The buffer sizes are as follows...

Data transmission (keypad data out of module) 16 bytes
Data reception (LCD data into module) 48 bytes

Should the buffers be filled, further characters will not be pushed onto the stacks, but instead are discarded.

Character echoing

Characters received from the host terminal/microprocessor may be echoed back to the host by setting DIP Configuration Switch 2 to ON. With DIP Switch 2 OFF the characters are not echoed.

Characters resulting from key strokes are never echoed to the LCD display, but are simply sent via the RS232 TX pin to the host application.



The LCD display comprises 80 characters in all, arranged as 20 characters on each of 4-lines. The full range of standard ASCII characters are available, including lower case letters. Some, but not all, of the extended ASCII characters are available. Appendix 3 lists the available characters.

Power-up message

At power-on the LCD display shows hardware and software version numbers and communications information for a period of approximately 5 seconds. After this time the display automatically clears and the cursor is located at the first character on the left of line 1.

LCD operating principles

The LCD interface is designed to be suitable either for keypad data input (for example as a data entry terminal) or for embedded microprocessor applications.

It has been designed to operate in a similar way to a teletype terminal since this is a familiar environment to most users and is consequently intuitive.

The cursor begins on the left of line 1. Entered characters move the cursor progressively further to the right of line 1 until the end of the line is reached. Entering one further character automatically moves the cursor to the beginning of line 2, i.e. automatic text wrapping is implemented. This applies to all lines.

Once the end of line 4 is reached, entering one further character results in all lines moving up one place, resulting in the contents line 1 being discarded, line 2 moves to line 1, line 3 moves to line 2 and line 4 moves to line 3. Line 4 is subsequently cleared and the cursor moves to the beginning of line 4.

Special characters

The Carriage Return key is supported (ASCII character 0x0D) and results in the cursor moving to the beginning of the next line, exactly as described above. The Line Feed key (ASCII character 0x0A, or Ctrl-J in HyperTerminal) is also supported and gives the same functionality as carriage return.

The backspace key (ASCII character 0x7F) and Del key (ASCII character 0x08) may be used to delete the last entered character and move the cursor back one place. This can be repeated until the cursor is at the beginning of the current line, but no further (exactly as a teletype terminal).

The Tab key (ASCII character 0x09) is supported, and enters four spaces, even if this involves a line-wrap.

The Form Feed key (ASCII character 0x0C, Ctrl-L in HyperTerminal) is implemented as a 'clear screen' function and returns the cursor to the beginning of line 1..



Section 4 LCD Display (continued).

Typical implementations

An embedded application where the LCD is written to by a separate microprocessor or computer would typically send a Form Feed character followed by up to 80 characters, possibly interspersed with carriage returns to reduce the number of characters to be transmitted.

It is unlikely that such as application would make use of the backspace function since there are unlikely to be errors in data entry, although the line-wrap feature may be used to allow the microprocessor to treat the display as a contiguous array of 80 characters with no requirement for carriage returns.

A terminal-like application, however, where the user is permitted to type any characters on the LCD (perhaps using an application such as HyperTerminal) would almost certainly make use of all the features built into the module such as line-wrap and special characters to make the interface more user friendly.

LCD adjustment

A potentiometer is provided on the module interface circuit board to allow the contrast of the LCD display to be adjusted.

Supported Displays

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20 Char x 4 Line Display PC 2004LRU-AWA-H, PC 2004LRU-ASO-H, PC 2004LRU-AEA-B or equivalents

Pin	Symbol	Function
1	Vss	Power supply(GND)
2	Vdd	Power supply(+)
3	Vo	Contrast Adjust
4	RS	Register select signal
5	R/W	Data read / write
6	Е	Enable signal
7	DB0	Data bus line
8	DB1	Data bus line
9	DB2	Data bus line
10	DB3	Data bus line
11	DB4	Data bus line
12	DB5	Data bus line
13	DB6	Data bus line
14	DB7	Data bus line
15	Α	Power supply for LED B/L (+)
16	K	Power supply for LED B/L ()



Product Code	Description
4200-00[x]	RS232 ENCODER, KEYMAT STD, NO CABLE
4200-001-0398	RS232 ENCODER CUSTOM INP398
4200-01[x]	RS232 ENCODER, KEYMAT STD, 0.23m CABLE
4200-02[x]	RS232 ENCODER, KEYMAT STD, 2.0m CABLE

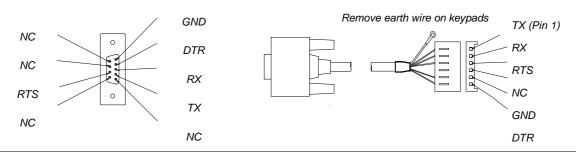
The Product Idenification Code is shown on the label on the encoder. The (non-upgradeable) firmware version is shown on the back of the controller eg Version 5.01 (or alternatively 5v01)

Packaging variant denoted by [x] - contact your Storm distributor for details.

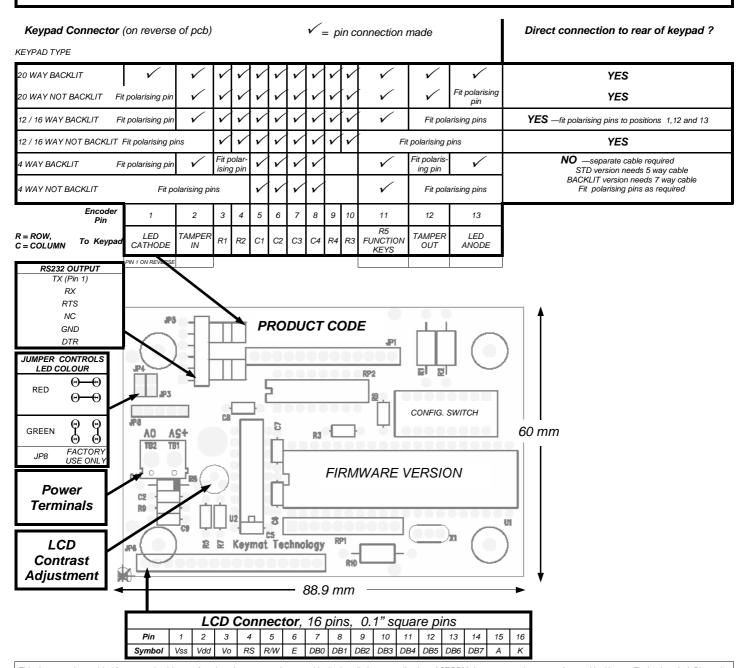


Appendix 1. Connection Details

RS232 Cable Pinout Connection



Encoder Connections





Appendix 2. Configuration Switch Options - Keytop Legends / ASCII Codes

Configuration Switch Settings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Installation Checklist
4 Way Keypads	ON	CHARACTER OF		ON	ON	ON	OFF		✓ Keypad ✓ Encoder , configuration switch set
	ECHOING SELECTOR					BAUD RATE SELECTOR	✓ Panel Fixing prepared ✓ +5V regulated supply		
		ON = ECHO ON						OFF=9600 BAUD	RS 232 cable with 6 way Molex socket
	OFF = ECHO OFF	OFF					ON=1200 BAUD	✓ Ribbon cable keypad to encoder if needed ✓ LCD and 16 way ribbon cable if needed ✓ Polarising pins fitted to encoder ✓ Polarising pins fitted to encoder ✓ Polarising pins fitted to encoder ✓ Ribbon cable keypad to encoder ✓ Polarising pins fitted to encode pins fitted t	

4 Key Cursor

4 Key Function

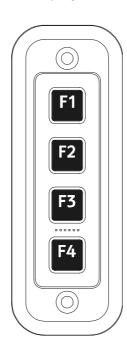
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Column 1

Column 3

Column 4

Row 5



Cable Connections for 4 way keypads									
ENCODER PIN TO KEYPAD PIN									
		Non- illuminated	Illuminated						
2			NC	1					
11			1	2					
5			5	6					
6			4	5					
7			3	4					
8			2	3					
13			NC	7					

4 WAY KEYPAD CONTACT CONNECTIONS (REAR VIEW)

PINS	•	•	•	•	•
PIN NUMBER	5	4	3	2	1

CONTACT MATRIX

PIN	ROW / COLUMN
1	R5
2	C4
3	C3
4	C2
5	C1
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4 WAY BACKLIT KEYPAD CONTACT CONNECTIONS (REAR VIEW)

1				_			
	•						
PIN NUMBE	R 7	6	5	4	3	2	1

CONTACT MATRIX

PIN	ROW / COLUMN						
1	LED POWER						
2	R5						
3	C4						
4	C3						
5	C2						
6	C1						
7	LED POWER						

ASCII CODES

COLUMN	Row 5
C1	11
C2	12
C3	13
C4	14

NOTE 1: These codes are nonprinting ASCII device control codes. The application software will need to assign usage

NOTE 2: The COMMON pin on a 4 way is termed ROW 5 to be consistent with applications using 4 function keys.



Appendix 2. Configuration Switch Options - Keytop Legends / ASCII Codes

Configuration Switch Settings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Installation Checklist
12 and 16 Way Telephone Layout Keypads	ON	CHARACTER ECHOING SELECTOR ON = ECHO ON OFF = ECHO OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	BAUD RATE SELECTOR OFF=9600 BAUD ON=1200 BAUD	✓ Keypad ✓ Encoder , configuration switch set ✓ Panel Fixing prepared ✓ +5V regulated supply ✓ RS 232 cable with 6 way Molex socket ✓ Ribbon cable keypad to encoder if needed ✓ LCD and 16 way ribbon cable if needed ✓ Polarising pins fitted to encoder

12 Key Telephone Layout Keypad

16 Key Telephone Layout Keypad

C1 C2 C3

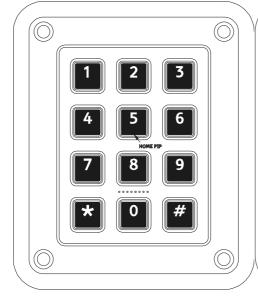
C1 C2 C3 C4

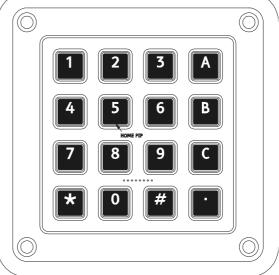
Row 1

Row 2

Row 3

Row 4





12 / 16 WAY KEYPAD CONTACT CONNECTIONS (REAR VIEW)

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PINS	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
PIN NUMBER	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

	•									
PIN NUMBER	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

CONTACT MATRIX

ROW / COLUMN
R1
R2
C1
C2
C3
C4 (16 WAY ONLY)
R4
R3

CONTACT MATRIX

PIN	COLUMN
1	LED POWER
2	R1
3	R2
4	C1
5	C2
6	C3
7	C4 (16 WAY ONLY)
8	R4
9	R3
10	LED POWER

ASCII Codes

ROW/ COLUMN	C1	C2	СЗ	C4
R1	31	32	33	61
R2	34	35	36	62
R3	37	38	39	63
R4	2A	30	23	2E

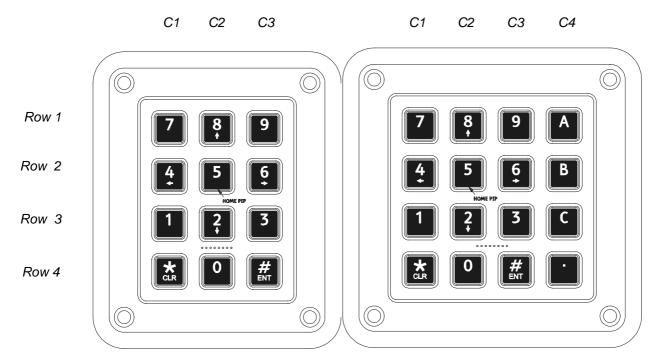


Appendix 2. Configuration Switch Options - Keytop Legends / ASCII Codes

Configuration Switch Settings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Installation Checklist
12 and 16 Key Calculator Layout Keypads	ON	CHARACTER ECHOING SELECTOR ON = ECHO ON OFF = ECHO OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	BAUD RATE SELECTOR OFF=9600 BAUD ON=1200 BAUD	✓ Keypad ✓ Encoder , configuration switch set ✓ Panel Fixing prepared ✓ +5V regulated supply ✓ RS 232 cable with 6 way Molex socket ✓ Ribbon cable keypad to encoder if needed ✓ LCD and 16 way ribbon cable if needed ✓ Polarising pins fitted to encoder

12 Key Calculator Layout Keypad

16 Key Calculator Layout Keypad



12 / 16 WAY KEYPAD CONTACT CONNECTIONS (REAR VIEW)

12 / 16 WAY KEYPAD CONTACT CONNECTIONS (REAR VIEW)

CONTACT MATRIX

6 5

PINS

PIN NUMBER 10 9 8 7

PINS	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	ı
PIN NUMBER	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
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PIN	ROW / COLUMN								

3

5

6

R1 R2 C1

C2

C3

C4 (16 WAY ONLY) R4 R3

PIN	COLUMN
1	LED POWER
2	R1
3	R2
4	C1
5	C2
6	C3
7	C4 (16 WAY ONLY)
8	R4
9	R3
10	LED POWER

ROW/ COLUMN	C1	C2	C3	C4
R1	37	38	39	1B
R2	34	35	36	0C*
R3	31	35	33	05
R4	7F	30	0D	2E

* = Form Feed Code to give CLEAR function

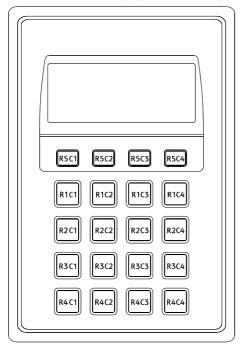


Appendix 2. Configuration Switch Options - Keytop Legends / ASCII Codes

Configuration Switch Settings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Installation Checklist
Integrated 20 Way Keypad and Display - Telephone Layout	OFF	CHARACTER	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	BAUD RATE	✓ Integrated 20 way Keypad ✓ Encoder , configuration switch set
Integrated 20 Way Keypad and Display - Calculator Layout	F		ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF	SELECTOR	✓ LCD and 16 way ribbon cable if needed
Note: Remove Jumpers from JP3 and JP4 in this configuration	on.	ON = ECHO ON OFF = ECHO OFF						OFF=9600 BAUD ON=1200 BAUD	✓ Panel Fixing prepared ✓ +5V regulated supply ✓ RS 232 cable with 6 way Molex KK socket ✓ 13 way ribbon cable keypad to encoder if needed ✓ Polarising pins fitted to encoder

ROW / COLUMN DESIGNATIONS (KEYPAD FRONT VIEW)

For Example R1C2 = Row 1 Column 2. NB: A 20 way keypad is treated as 4 way + 16 way.



PIN-OUT FOR 20 WAY KEYPAD

20 WAY KEYPAD CONTACT CONNECTIONS (REAR VIEW)

PINS								•					
PIN NUMBER	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

CONTACT MATRIX

-	
PIN	ROW / COLUMN
1	NOT USED
2	TAMPER IN
3	R1
4	R2
5	C1
6	C2
7	C3
8	C4
9	R4
10	R3
11	R5
12	TAMPER OUT
13	NOT USED

ASCII CODE TABLES

Row / Column	Telephor	ne Layout	Calculator Layout								
	Character	ASCII	Character	ASCII							
R5C1	A	11	A	11							
R5C2	A	12	A	12							
R5C3	A	13	A	13							
R5C4	A	14	A	14							
R1C1	1	31	1	31							
R1C2	2 ABC	32	2	32							
R1C3	3 DEF	33	3	33							
R1C4	А	41	ENTER	1B							
R2C1	4 GHI	34	4	34							
R2C2	5 JKL	35	5	35							
R2C3	6 MNO	36	6	36							
R2C4	В	42	CLEAR	0C							
R3C1	7 PQRS	37	7	37							
R3C2	8 TUV	38	8	38							
R3C3	9 WXYZ	39	9	39							
R3C4	С	43	?	05							
R4C1	* CLR	2A	*	7F							
R4C2	0	30	0	30							
R4C3	# ENT	23	#	0D							
	ENTER	2E	CANCEL	2E							
ANTI- TAMPER OPEN CIRCUIT		07*		07*							
	*= CODE REPEATS EVERY 10 SECONDS WHILST CONDITION REMAINS ACTIVE										



Appendix 2. Configuration Switch Options - Keytop Legends / ASCII Codes

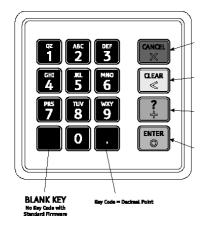
Configuration Switch Settings	R3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
6000 Series Pinpad - Basic Layout	fitted	OFF	CHARACTER	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	
6000 Series Pinpad - UK Layout	Remove before use	OFF	ECHOING SELECTOR	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	BAUD RATE SELECTOR
6000 Series Pinpad - USA Layout	Remove before use	OFF	ON = ECHO ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF=9600 BAUD
Note: R3 may need to be removed depending required.	OFF = ECHO OFF						ON=1200 BAUD		

Installation	Checklist	

Keypad

- √Encoder, configuration switch set
- ✓ Panel Fixing prepared
- √+5V regulated supply
- ✓ RS 232 cable with 6 way Molex KK socket
- ✓13 way ribbon cable keypad to encoder if
- ✓ Polarising pins fitted to encoder

BASIC LAYOUT



UK LAYOUT

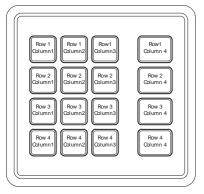


USA LAYOUT



ASCII CODE TABLES

ROW / COLUMN DESIGNATIONS



MATRIX WAY KEYPAD CONTACT CONNECTIONS (REAR VIEW)

PINS	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
PIN NUMBER	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

CONTACT MATRIX

PIN	ROW / COLUMN
1	TAMP
2	R1
3	R2
4	C1
5	C2
6	C3
7	C4
8	R4
9	R3
10	TAMP

Row / Column		Basic Layout			UK Layout			USA Layout				
	Key Legend	Key	ASCII	Key Legend	Key	ASCII	Key Legend	Key	ASCII			
R1C1	1 QZ	Black	31	1	Black	31	1 QZ	Black	31			
R1C2	2 ABC	Black	32	2 ABC	Black	32	2 ABC	Black	32			
R1C3	3 DEF	Black	33	3 DEF	Black	33	3 DEF	Black	33			
R1C4	CANCEL	Red with raised Cross	0D	CANCEL	Red with raised Cross	0D	ENTER	Green with raised circle	1B			
R2C1	4 GHI	Black	34	4 GHI	Black	34	4 GHI	Black	34			
R2C2	5 JKL	Black with Homepip	35	5 JKL	Black with Homepip	35	5 JKL	Black with Homepip	35			
R2C3	6 MNO	Black	36	6 MNO	Black	36	6 MNO	Black	36			
R2C4	CLEAR	Yellow with raised vertical line	7F	CLEAR	Yellow with raised vertical line	7F	CLEAR	Yellow with raised vertical line	7F			
R3C1	7 PRS	Black	37	7 PQRS	Black	37	7 PRS	Black	37			
R3C2	8 TUV	Black	38	8 TUV	Black	38	8 TUV	Black	38			
R3C3	9 WXY	Black	39	9 WXYZ	Black	39	9 WXY	Black	39			
R3C4	?	Blue with raised Plus	05	?	Blue	05	?	Blue	05			
R4C1		Black	No Code	*	Black	2A	*	Black	2A			
R4C2	0	Black	30	0	Black	30	0	Black	30			
R4C3		Black	2E	#	Black	23	#	Black	23			
R4C4	ENTER	Green with raised circle	1B	ENTER	Green with raised circle	1B	CANCEL	Red with raised Cross	0D			
ANTI- TAMPER OPEN CIRCUIT			07*			07*			07*			
	*= CODE REPEATS EVERY 10 SECONDS WHILST CONDITION REMAINS ACTIVE. TO RESET—DISCONNECT POWER FOR 30 SECONDS.											



Appendix 3. LCD Character Map PC 2004LRU Display

Higher Abit Abit	0000	0010	0011	0100	0101		0111	1010	1011		1101	1110	1111
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