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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

AM-60-860

860 MHz Agile Modulator With Emergency Alert System

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**TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK, DO NOT REMOVE COVER FROM THIS UNIT.
NO USER-SERVICEABLE PARTS INSIDE. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.**

WARNING: TO PREVENT FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS UNIT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE

NOTE TO CATV SYSTEM INSTALLER

This reminder is provided to call the CATV System Installer's attention to Article 820-40 of the NEC that provides guidelines for proper grounding and, in particular, specifies that the cable ground shall be connected to the grounding system of the building, as close to the point of cable entry as practical.

Safety Instructions

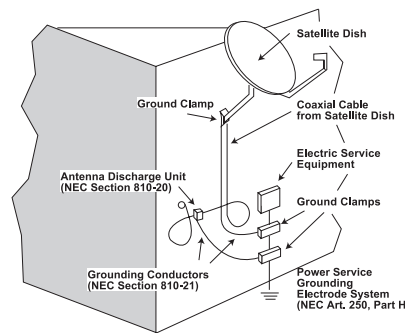


**YOU SHOULD ALWAYS FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS TO HELP ENSURE
AGAINST INJURY TO YOURSELF AND DAMAGE TO YOUR EQUIPMENT.**

- Elevated Operating Ambient - If installed in a closed or multi-unit rack assembly, the operating ambient temperature of the rack environment may be greater than room ambient. Therefore, consideration should be given to installing the equipment in an environment compatible with the maximum ambient temperature per manufacturer's recommendation.
- Reduced Air Flow - Installation of the equipment in a rack should be such that the amount of air flow required for safe operation of the equipment is not compromised.
- Mechanical Loading - Mounting of the equipment in the rack should be such that a hazardous condition is not achieved due to uneven mechanical loading.
- Circuit Overloading - Consideration should be given to the connection of the equipment to the supply circuit and the effect that overloading of the circuits might have on overcurrent protection and supply wiring. Appropriate consideration of equipment nameplate ratings should be used when addressing this concern.
- Reliable Earthing - Reliable earthing of rack-mounted equipment should be maintained. Particular attention should be given to supply connections other than direct connections to the branch circuit (e.g. use of power strips).
- Read all safety and operating instructions before you operate the unit.
- Retain all safety and operating instructions for future reference.
- Heed all warnings on the unit and in the safety and operating instructions.

Safety Instructions - continued

- Follow all installation, operating, and use instructions.
- Unplug the unit from the AC power outlet before cleaning. Use only a damp cloth for cleaning the exterior of the unit.
- Do not use accessories or attachments not recommended by Blonder Tongue, as they may cause hazards, and will void the warranty.
- Do not operate the unit in high-humidity areas, or expose it to water or moisture.
- Do not place the unit on an unstable cart, stand, tripod, bracket, or table. The unit may fall, causing serious personal injury and damage to the unit. Install the unit only in a mounting rack designed for 19" rack-mounted equipment.
- Do not block or cover slots and openings in the unit. These are provided for ventilation and protection from overheating. Never place the unit near or over a radiator or heat register. Do not place the unit in an enclosure such as a cabinet without proper ventilation. Do not mount equipment in the rack space directly above or below the unit.
- Operate the unit using only the type of power source indicated on the marking label. Unplug the unit power cord by gripping the plug, not the cord.
- The unit is equipped with a three-wire ground-type plug. This plug will fit only into a ground-type power outlet. If you are unable to insert the plug into the outlet, contact an electrician to replace the outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the ground-type plug.
- Route power supply cords so that they are not likely to be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them. Pay particular attention to cords at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the unit.
- Be sure that the outdoor components of the antenna system are grounded in accordance with local, federal, and National Electrical Code (NEC) requirements. Pay special attention to NEC Sections 810 and 820. See the example shown in the following diagram:



- We strongly recommend using an outlet that contains surge suppression or ground fault protection. For added protection during a lightning storm, or when the unit is left unattended and unused for long periods of time, unplug it from the wall outlet and disconnect the lines between the unit and the antenna. This will prevent damage caused by lightning or power line surges.
- Do not locate the antenna near overhead power lines or other electric light or power circuits, or where it can fall into such power lines or circuits. When installing the antenna, take extreme care to avoid touching such power lines or circuits, as contact with them can be fatal.
- Do not overload wall outlets or extension cords, as this can result in a risk of fire or electrical shock.
- Never insert objects of any kind into the unit through openings, as the objects may touch dangerous voltage points or short out parts. This could cause fire or electrical shock.
- Do not attempt to service the unit yourself, as opening or removing covers may expose you to dangerous voltage and will void the warranty. Refer all servicing to authorized service personnel.
- Unplug the unit from the wall outlet and refer servicing to authorized service personnel whenever the following occurs:
 - The power supply cord or plug is damaged;
 - Liquid has been spilled, or objects have fallen into the unit;
 - The unit has been exposed to rain or water;
 - The unit has been dropped or the chassis has been damaged;
 - The unit exhibits a distinct change in performance.
- When replacement parts are required, ensure that the service technician uses replacement parts specified by Blonder Tongue. Unauthorized substitutions may damage the unit or cause electrical shock or fire, and will void the warranty.
- Upon completion of any service or repair to the unit, ask the service technician to perform safety checks to ensure that the unit is in proper operating condition.

Returning Product for Repair (or Credit)

A Return Material Authorization (RMA) Number is required on all products returned to Blonder Tongue, regardless if the product is being returned for repair or credit. Before returning product, please contact the Blonder Tongue Service Department at 1-800-523-6049, Ext. 4256 or visit our website: www.blondertongue.com for further information.

Description

The AM-60-860 is a professional quality agile audio/video modulator equipped with the Emergency Alert System (EAS) feature, which can also be used as an alternate IF input. The unit provides audio and video modulated RF carrier on any channel from 54 to 860 MHz. Any standard audio/video source can be used, such as satellite receivers, television cameras, video tape recorders, or television demodulators.

Channel tuning is easily accomplished with the use of front panel push button switches. Frequency plans including CATV Standard EIA, IRC, HRC & Broadcast are available in the 54-860 MHz frequency range. All channel frequency information with appropriate FCC offsets is pre-programmed and tuned electronically via a microprocessor.

The unit has a wide range of standard and optional features that make it ideal for advanced CATV systems. AM Series Option 09, 600 Ω balanced audio input is incorporated as standard equipment in the AM-60-860. A stereo audio option, Option 05, also allows the integration of a BTSC stereo encoder module into the AM-60-860. This optional stereo encoder converts stereo left and right audio into a composite BTSC stereo audio signal. The factory installed option provides 20 dB of stereo separation, less than 1.0% total harmonic distortion and 60 dB signal to noise ratio.

The EAS / Alternate IF feature allows a choice between manual and automatic selection of the EAS/ALT IF input signal. This is done through a 3 position terminal strip on the rear of the unit. In the manual mode the EAS/ALT IF feature is activated by a contact closure to ground. In the automatic mode, two positions on the terminal strip are jumpered together enabling an automatic detection circuit in the unit. When an EAS/ALT IF signal is routed to the EAS/ALT IF port the unit automatically switches to that alternate signal.

The AM-60-860 meets FCC Docket 21006 aeronautical frequency offset requirements (5 kHz video carrier accuracy). A high in-channel carrier to noise performance of 63 dB typical is achieved by the unit. A custom SAW IF filter is employed to provide true vestigial sideband selectivity with built-in FCC group delay equalization. A state of the art converter design with pre-programmed microprocessor controlled channel tuning and 60 dBmV output ensures that the Blonder Tongue AM-60-860 is the ideal agile modulator for any demanding CATV headend need.

Options

02	Video Input Connector BNC 75 Ohm
05	Stereo Audio
07	Video AGC
08	Audio AGC

Specifications

RF

Frequency Range: 54-860 MHz
 Channels: CATV, VHF, UHF (STD,HRC,IRC)
 FCC Offset (pre-programmed): 0, +12.5, or 25 kHz
 Output Level - Min: +60 dBmV
 Output Level Range +50 to +60 dBmV (a)
 Aural/Visual Carrier Ratio: -15, ± 5 dB
 Visual Carrier Frequency Tolerance
 Standard Channels: ± 20 kHz (max, 0° to 50° C)
 FCC Aeronautical Channels: ± 5 kHz (max, 0° to 50° C)
 4.5 MHz Aural Inter-carrier Frequency Tolerance: ± 150 Hz
 (0° to 50° C)

Channel Selectivity
 Adjacent Aural and Below: -40 dB
 Adjacent Picture and Above: -40 dB ± 5 dB

Spurious Outputs: -63 dBc
 C/N Ratio In-Channel: 63 dB (b)
 Broadband Noise: -77 dBc (b)
 Output Impedance: 75 Ω
 Output Return Loss: 12 dB

IF

Aural Frequency Standard: 41.25 MHz
 Visual Frequency Standard: 45.75 MHz
 Composite IF Loop Output
 Aural Carrier Level: +20 dBmV
 Visual Carrier Level: +35 dBmV
 Output/Input Impedance: 75 Ω
 Output Return Loss: 15 dB
 Input Return Loss: 16 dB
 EAS/ALT IF Input Level: 38 dBmV, @ 45.75 MHz
 EAS/ALT IF Switch Isolation: >60 dB

Video

Input Level: 1.0 V p-p (d)
 Frequency Response fv-0.5 MHz to fv+4.2 MHz: 1.5 dB P/V
 P-P Video to RMS Hum Ratio: 65 dB
 Video Signal-to-Noise Ratio, Weighted: 58 dB (b)
 Differential Gain: 2.0% (d)
 Differential Phase: 1.0° (d)
 C/L Delay Inequality: see note ns (c)
 Overmodulation Indicator: 87.5, ± 2.5 %
 Input Impedance: 75 Ω
 Return Loss: 18 dB

Audio

Input Level: 180 mV RMS (e)
 Frequency Range: 20 Hz to 20 kHz
 Frequency Response: ± 1.0 dB (f)
 Pre-Emphasis-Mono: 75 μ s
 Audio Signal-to-Noise: 60 dB (e)

Total Harmonic Distortion: 0.6% (g)
 Overmodulation Indicator: 25, ± 2 kHz
 Input Impedance: 600 Ω , balanced

General

Power Requirements
 Voltage: 117, ± 10 % VAC
 Frequency: 60 Hz
 Power: 27 W (h)
 Fuse: 0.40 A
 Temperature Range: 0 to +50 °C

Mechanical

Dimensions (WxHxD):
 19.0 x 1.75 x 14.25 in.,
 483 x 44 x 362 mm
 Weight: 7 lbs., 3.18 kg

Connectors

Video Input
 Standard: "F" Female
 Option 02: BNC Video Input: BNC type, Female

Audio Input: Barrier Strip

IF Output: "F" Female

IF Input: "F" Female

RF Output: "F" Female

EAS/ALT IF: "F" Female

Controls

Channel Selection: Push Button Switches
 Video Level: Control
 Aural Carrier Level: Control
 Audio Level: Control
 RF Output Level: Push Button Switches
 Mode: Push Button Switches

Indicators

Channel Display: 3 Digit LED, Red
 Video Overmodulation: LED, Red
 Audio Overmodulation: LED, Red
 EAS/ALT IF: LED, Red
 Stereo: LED, Green (Option)

NOTES

- (a) 0.2 dB steps
- (b) 4 MHz bandwidth
- (c) meets FCC CATV group delay pre-distortion requirements for color transmission
- (d) 87.5% depth of modulation
- (e) for 25 kHz peak deviation
- (f) referenced to standard 75 μ s pre-emphasis
- (g) 20 Hz to 20 kHz, 25 kHz deviation
- (h) standard unit with no options installed

Controls and Connections

Operating Controls

All operating controls and indicators for the modulator are located on, or are accessible from the front panel.



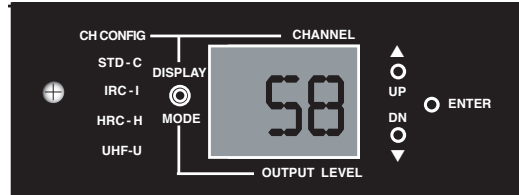
Figure 1 - Front Panel



Figure 2 - Rear Panel

- [1] **EAS/ALT INDICATOR:** Lights Red when EAS/ALT is active.
 - [2] **VIDEO OVERMODULATION LED:** Lights when modulation is above 87.5%.
 - [3] **VIDEO MODULATION LEVEL:** Adjusts percentage of modulation.
 - [4] **AURAL-TO-VISUAL CARRIER RATIO:** Controls amplitude of aural RF carrier relative to visual RF carrier.
 - [5] **AUDIO MODULATION LEVEL:** Adjusts aural carrier modulation.
 - [6] **AUDIO OVERMODULATION LED:** Lights when peak deviation of aural carrier is over 25 kHz.
 - [7] **DISPLAY MODE BUTTON:** Used to scroll through channel configuration, output level and modes.
 - [8] **CHANNEL, CHANNEL CONFIGURATION/OUTPUT LEVEL DISPLAY**
 - [9] **UP/DOWN BUTTONS:** Used to scroll through the channel, and channel configuration/output display.
 - [10] **ENTER BUTTON:** Evokes the current settings in the channel/output display when depressed.
 - [11] **STEREO INDICATOR:** Green LED lights when equipped with stereo option (AM Opt 5), the audio select switch (on rear panel) in the stereo position and video is applied to the modulator.
- Note:** All connections to the unit are made at the rear panel.

Operation



Display Mode

This button scrolls through the selection of Channel, Channel Configuration and Output Level mode, in this order. The resting state (default) of the AM's display mode is the channel number.

Channel Selection

The output channel is selected by pressing the UP or DN button when in the channel display mode. The LED display will blink, indicating a transition state. The actual channel is not changed until the ENTER button is pressed. If the ENTER button is not pressed, the display will return to resting state after 30 seconds. The channel output range is 2-135. Channels will rollover with the UP or DN key. Pressing and holding the UP or DN button will allow for faster scrolling of channel. The RF Output is temporarily muted during channel changes.

Channel Configuration

The Channel Configuration is changed by pressing the UP or DN button when in the Channel Configuration display mode. The LED display will blink indicating a transition state. The channel configuration is not changed until the ENTER button is pressed. If the ENTER button is not pressed, the display will return to resting state after 30 seconds. If the mode is to be changed and it is not a valid mode for the existing channel, when the ENTER button is pressed, the new mode will be selected, and the channel will default to channel-2. The available Channel Configurations are as follows:

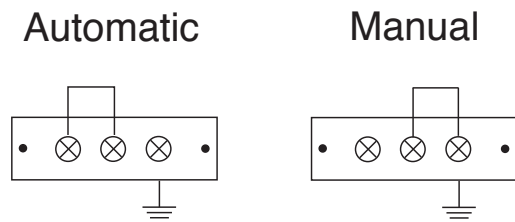
- C = Standard (default from factory)
- I = IRC
- H = HRC
- U = Broadcast VHF/UHF

Error Conditions

The Display will show a flashing "EE1" if the PLL1 is not locked.
The Display will show a flashing "EE2" if the PLL2 is not locked.
The Display will show a flashing "EE3" if both PLL1 and PLL2 are not locked.
The RF Output is muted during any of the above conditions.
Please contact our Service Department should any of these errors conditions occur.

Adjustments

- VIDEO LEVEL** - With the intended signal source connected and a representative video program present, turn the Video Level Adjust control clockwise until the Video Overmodulation light just flashes, then back off slightly. Alternatively, while watching the picture on a good TV monitor, adjust the control to the highest (clockwise) level that does NOT cause the highlights (white portions of the picture) to become “washed out”.
- AUDIO LEVEL** - Turn the Audio Level Adjust control clockwise until the Audio Overmodulation light just flashes slightly on the loudest peaks of the audio program material.
- OUTPUT LEVEL** - The Output Level is adjusted by pressing the UP or DN button when in the Output Level display mode. The LED display will blink indicating a transition state. The output level is not changed until the ENTER button is pressed. If the ENTER button is not pressed, the display will return to its resting state after 30 seconds. Pressing and holding the UP or DN button will allow for faster scrolling. The Level increments in 0.2 dB steps. The display range is 48 - 62 (dBmV). Output level accuracy is typically +/- 1 dB of display, +/- 2 dB worst case.
- A/V CARRIER RATIO** - To adjust the aural-to-visual carrier ratio, tune the RF indicator device to the aural carrier frequency and adjust the Aural Carrier control to obtain the desired aural carrier level. Recommended ratio is -15 dB.
- EAS/ALT IF:**
- AUTOMATIC** - Connect a jumper to the terminal strip auto position. EAS will become active when a +38 dBmV EAS IF signal is detected.
- MANUAL** - EAS is active with a ground connection on the manual position of the terminal strip.



Stereo Compatibility Of The Modulator

The AM-60-860 modulator is shipped configured for standard TV monaural operation (rear panel audio select switch is set to mono audio). To defeat the audio pre-emphasis for use with an external MTS Stereo Generator or when using Option 5 Stereo, move the audio select switch on the rear panel to the stereo position.

Option 5

Stereo Audio

Description

The stereo audio option integrates a BTSC stereo encoder module to the AM-60-860. The optional stereo encoder converts stereo left and right audio into a composite BTSC stereo audio signal. This Option provides 20 dB of stereo separation, less than 1.0% total harmonic distortion and 60 dB signal to noise ratio.

Specifications

Audio Input Sensitivity: 350 mV rms for 55 kHz peak dev.(w/pilot tone)

Video Input: 0.7 to 2 Vp-p

Frequency Response (Decoder output left or right channel):

L+R (In Phase Inputs)

50 Hz -10 KHz: 0.5 dB

50 Hz -12 KHz: .75 dB

L-R (Out of Phase Inputs)

50 Hz -10 KHz: 2.5 dB

50 Hz -12 KHz: 3.5 dB

L or R (One Grounded)

50 Hz -10 KHz: 1.5 dB

50 Hz -12 KHz: 1.75 dB

Separation 50 Hz -10 KHz: 20 dB

Harmonic Distortion @ 1 KHz (Decode Output: Left or right channel):

L+R: <1 %

L-R: <1 %

L or R: <1 %

Appendix A

Frequency Allocation Tables

EIA Chan.	Standard Video	Incremental Video (IRC)	Harmonic Video (HRC)
02	55.2500	55.2625	54
03	61.2500	61.2625	60
04	67.2500	67.2625	66
01	NA	73.2625	72
05	77.2500	79.2625	78
06	83.2500	85.2625	84
95	91.2500	91.2625	90
96	97.2500	97.2625	96
97	103.2500	103.2625	102
98	109.2750	109.2750	Cannot lock to comb ref: refer to FCC regs
99	115.2750	115.2750	
14	121.2625	121.2625	120
15	127.2625	127.2625	126
16	133.2625	133.2625	132
17	139.2500	139.2625	138
18	145.2500	145.2625	144
19	151.2500	151.2625	150
20	157.2500	157.2625	156
21	163.2500	163.2625	162
22	169.2500	169.2625	168
07	175.2500	175.2625	174
08	181.2500	181.2625	180
09	187.2500	187.2625	186
10	193.2500	193.2625	192
11	199.2500	199.2625	198
12	205.2500	205.2625	204
13	211.2500	211.2625	210
23	217.2500	217.2625	216
24	223.2500	223.2625	222
25	229.2625	229.2625	228
26	235.2625	235.2625	234
27	241.2625	241.2625	240
28	247.2625	247.2625	246
29	253.2625	253.2625	252
30	259.2625	259.2625	258
31	265.2625	265.2625	264
32	271.2625	271.2625	270
33	277.2625	277.2625	276
34	283.2625	283.2625	282
35	289.2625	289.2625	288
36	295.2625	295.2625	294
37	301.2625	301.2625	300
38	307.2625	307.2625	306
39	313.2625	313.2625	312
40	319.2625	319.2625	318
41	325.2625	325.2625	324
42	331.2750	331.2750	330
43	337.2625	337.2625	336
44	343.2625	343.2625	342
45	349.2625	349.2625	348
46	355.2625	355.2625	354
47	361.2625	361.2625	360
48	367.2625	367.2625	366
49	373.2625	373.2625	372
50	379.2625	379.2625	378
51	385.2625	385.2625	384
52	391.2625	391.2625	390
53	397.2625	397.2625	396
54	403.2500	403.2625	402
55	409.2500	409.2625	408
56	415.2500	415.2625	414
57	421.2500	421.2625	420
58	427.2500	427.2625	426
59	433.2500	433.2625	432
60	439.2500	439.2625	438
61	445.2500	445.2625	444
62	451.2500	451.2625	450

EIA Chan.	Standard Video	Incremental Video (IRC)	Harmonic Video (HRC)
63	457.2500	457.2625	456
64	463.2500	463.2625	462
65	469.2500	469.2625	468
66	475.2500	475.2625	474
67	481.2500	481.2625	480
68	487.2500	487.2625	486
69	493.2500	493.2625	492
70	499.2500	499.2625	498
71	505.2500	505.2625	504
72	511.2500	511.2625	510
73	517.2500	517.2625	516
74	523.2500	523.2625	522
75	529.2500	529.2625	528
76	535.2500	535.2625	534
77	541.2500	541.2625	540
78	547.2500	547.2625	546
79	553.2500	553.2625	552
80	559.2500	559.2625	558
81	565.2500	565.2625	564
82	571.2500	571.2625	570
83	577.2500	577.2625	576
84	583.2500	583.2625	582
85	589.2500	589.2625	588
86	595.2500	595.2625	594
87	601.2500	601.2625	600
88	607.2500	607.2625	606
89	613.2500	613.2625	612
90	619.2500	619.2625	618
91	625.2500	625.2625	624
92	631.2500	631.2625	630
93	637.2500	637.2625	636
94	643.2500	643.2625	642
100	649.2500	649.2625	648
101	655.2500	655.2625	654
102	661.2500	661.2625	660
103	667.2500	667.2625	666
104	673.2500	673.2625	672
105	679.2500	679.2625	678
106	685.2500	685.2625	684
107	691.2500	691.2625	690
108	697.2500	697.2625	696
109	703.2500	703.2625	702
110	709.2500	709.2625	708
111	715.2500	715.2625	714
112	721.2500	721.2625	720
113	727.2500	727.2625	726
114	733.2500	733.2625	732
115	739.2500	739.2625	738
116	745.2500	745.2625	744
117	751.2500	751.2625	750
118	757.2500	757.2625	756
119	763.2500	763.2625	762
120	769.2500	769.2625	768
121	775.2500	775.2625	774
122	781.2500	781.2625	780
123	787.2500	787.2625	786
124	793.2500	793.2625	792
125	799.2500	799.2625	798
126	805.2500	805.2625	804
127	811.2500	811.2625	810
128	817.2500	817.2625	816
129	823.2500	823.2625	822
130	829.2500	829.2625	828
131	835.2500	835.2625	834
132	841.2500	841.2625	840
133	847.2500	847.2625	846
134	853.2500	853.2625	852
135	859.2500	859.2625	858

VHF Broadcast Channels	
Channel	Video (MHz)
2	55.25
3	61.25
4	67.25
5	77.25
6	83.25
7	175.25
8	181.25
9	187.25
10	193.25
11	199.25
12	205.25
13	211.25
UHF Broadcast Channels	
Channel	Video (MHz)
14	471.25
15	477.25
16	483.25
17	489.25
18	495.25
19	501.25
20	507.25
21	513.25
22	519.25
23	525.25
24	531.25
25	537.25
26	543.25
27	549.25
28	555.25
29	561.25
30	567.25
31	573.25
32	579.25
33	585.25
34	591.25
35	597.25
36	603.25
37	609.25
38	615.25
39	621.25
40	627.25
41	633.25
42	639.25
43	645.25
44	651.25
45	657.25
46	663.25
47	669.25
48	675.25
49	681.25
50	687.25
51	693.25
52	699.25
53	705.25
54	711.25
55	717.25
56	723.25
57	729.25
58	735.25
59	741.25
60	747.25
61	753.25
62	759.25
63	765.25
64	771.25
65	777.25
66	783.25
67	789.25
68	795.25
69	801.25
70	807.25
71	813.25
72	819.25
73	825.25
74	831.25
75	837.25
76	843.25
77	849.25
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Limited Warranty

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