

Worm algorithm for loop model on the square lattice

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When crossings of loops are allowed, the low-temperature phase is distinct from nonintersecting loop models. (Jacobsen *et al*, PRL 2003). And the LT branch of the nonintersecting loop model can be mapped onto a tricritical loop model with a different loop weight. (Nienhuis, WG and Blöte, PRE, 2009).

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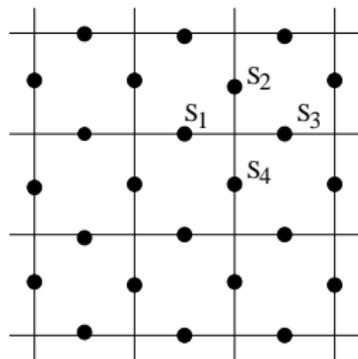
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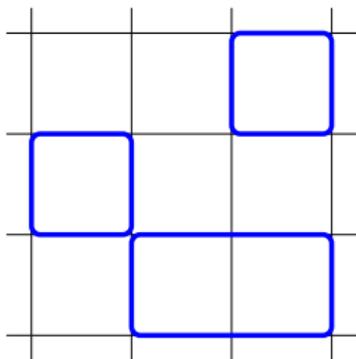
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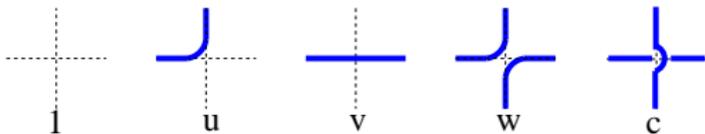
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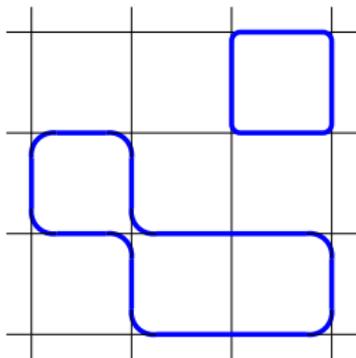
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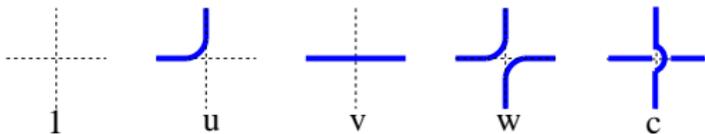
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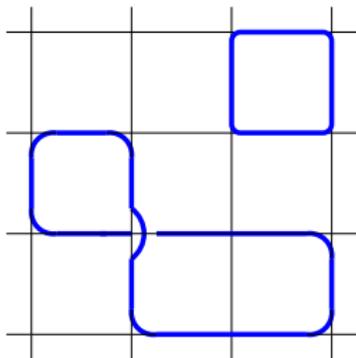
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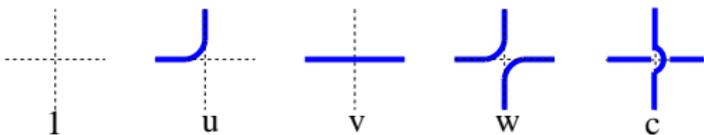
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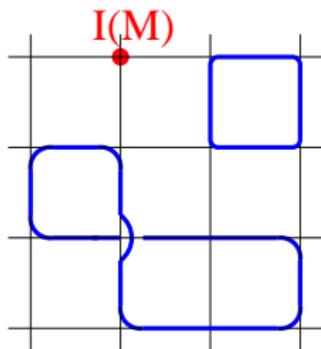
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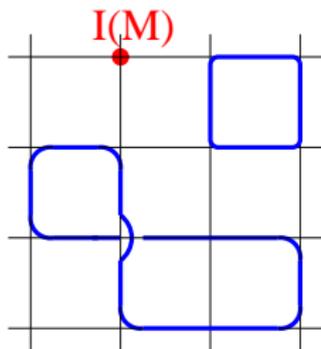
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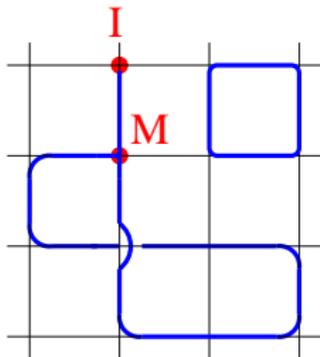
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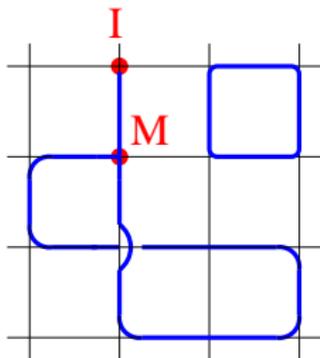
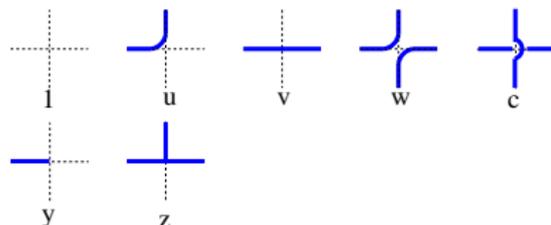
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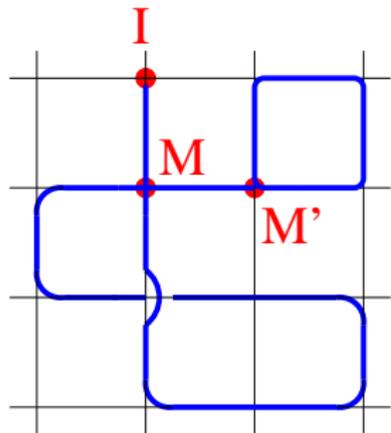
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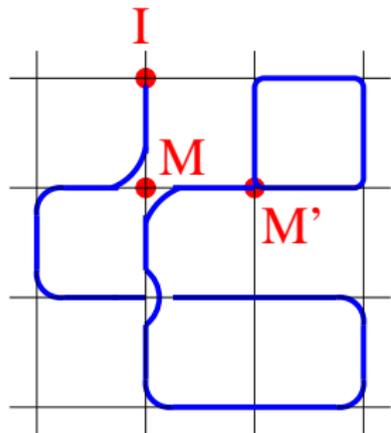


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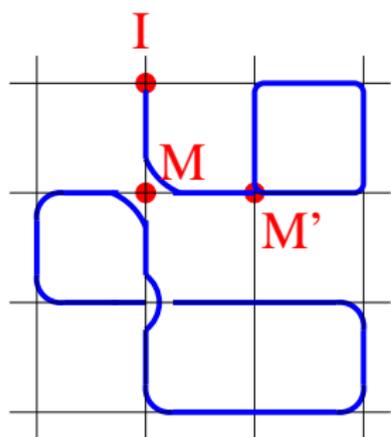


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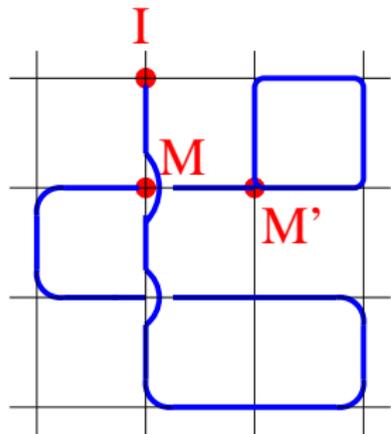


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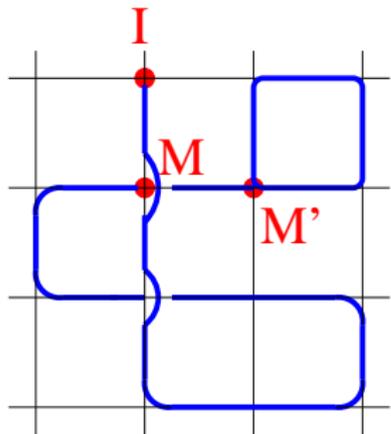
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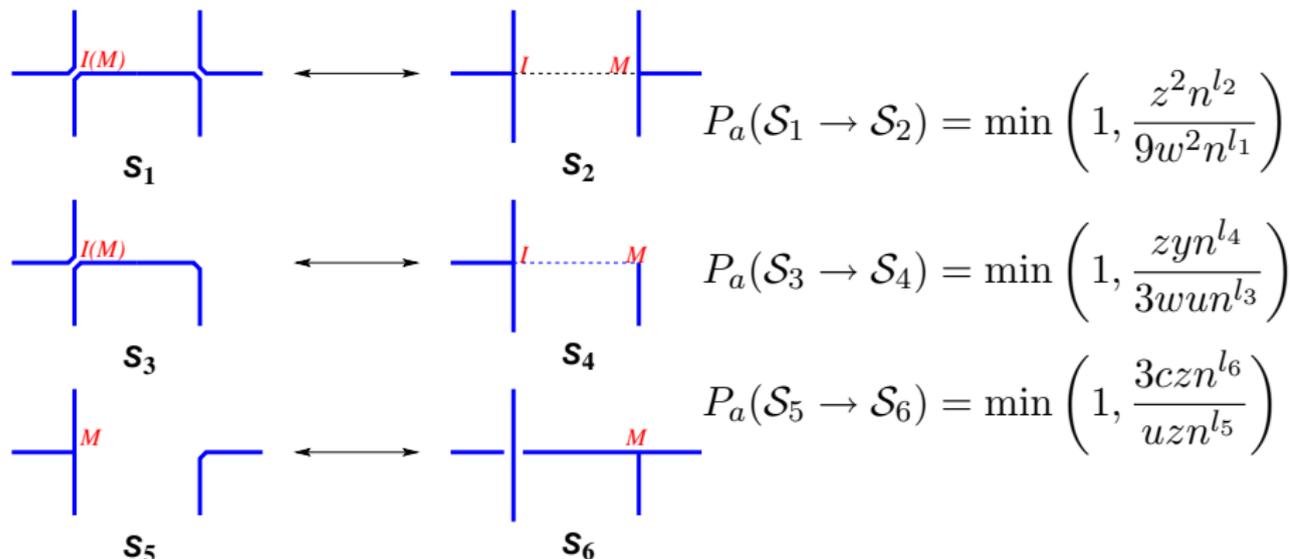
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Examples



$n \neq 1$ case

In the calculation of the acceptance probability P_a , one has to count the change Δl of the loop number. This is a nonlocal procedure.

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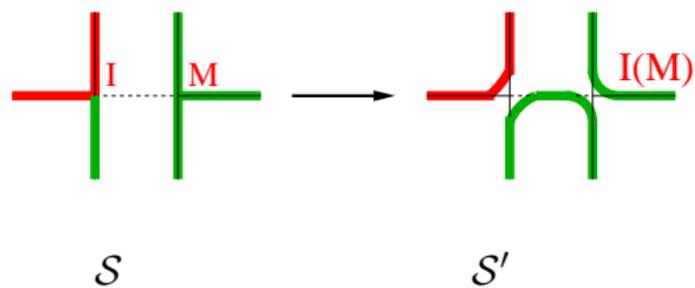
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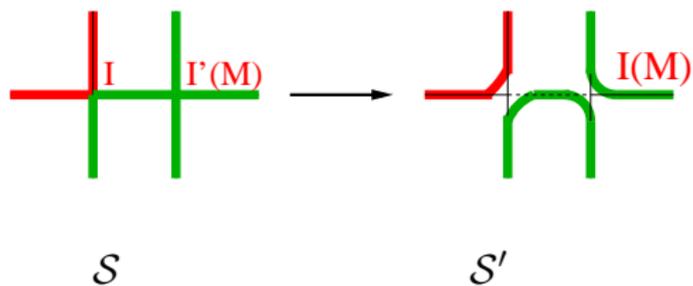
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- ▶ Test the worm algorithm by studying the critical properties of the model
- ▶ Check the efficiency of the algorithm

Exactly known critical exponents of the $O(n)$ loop model

At the critical branch of the model

- ▶ thermal exponent: $y_t = \frac{4g-4}{g}$
- ▶ Magnetic exponent: $y_h = 1 + \frac{1}{2g} + \frac{3g}{8}$
- ▶ Hull exponent: $y_H = 1 + \frac{1}{2g}$
which describes the decay of the probability that two bonds are sitting at the same loop, is also the fractal dimension d_l of the loops.

g is the Coulomb-gas coupling: $n = -2 \cos(\pi g)$, $1 \leq g \leq 3/2$

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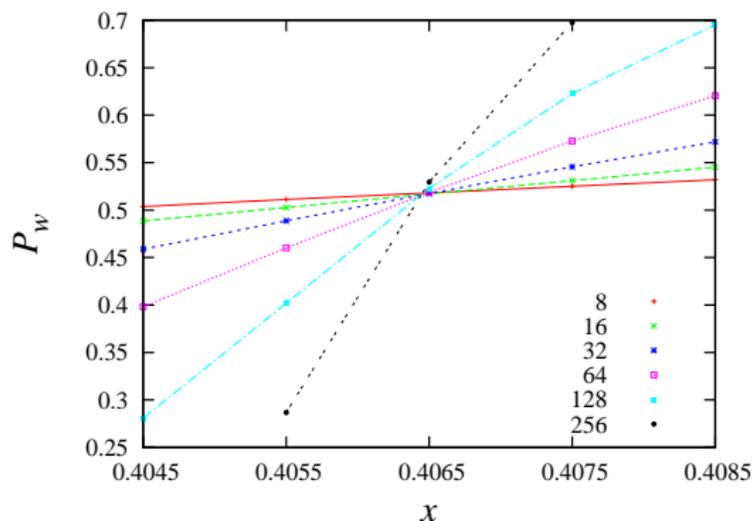
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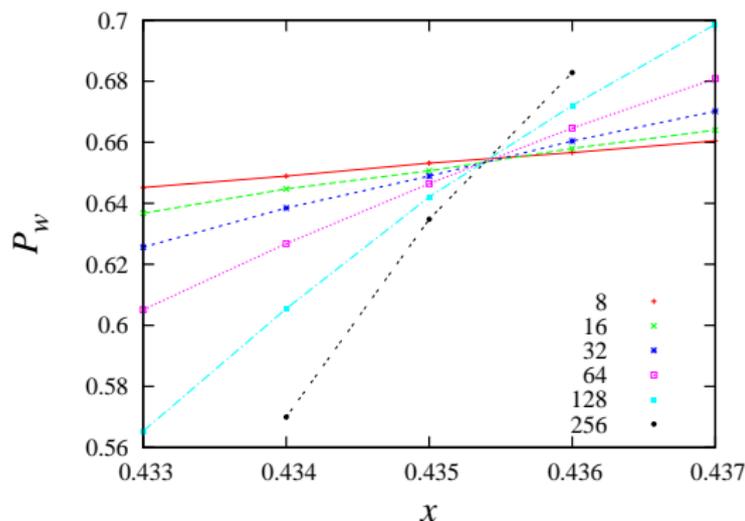
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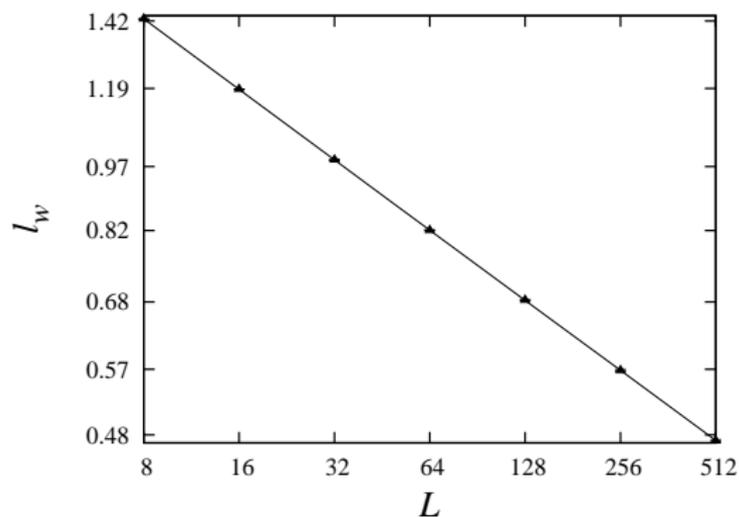
S_2 = the average of the sum of squares of loop lengths per site

l_w = the average length of worm steps per site

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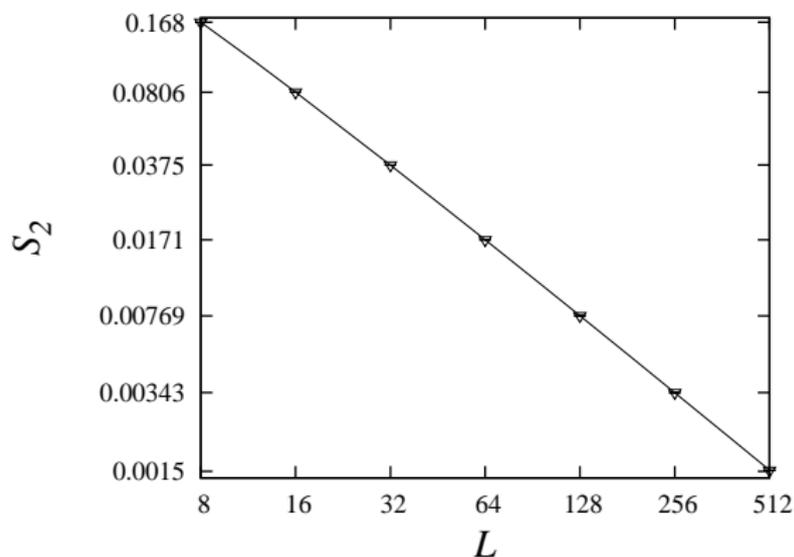


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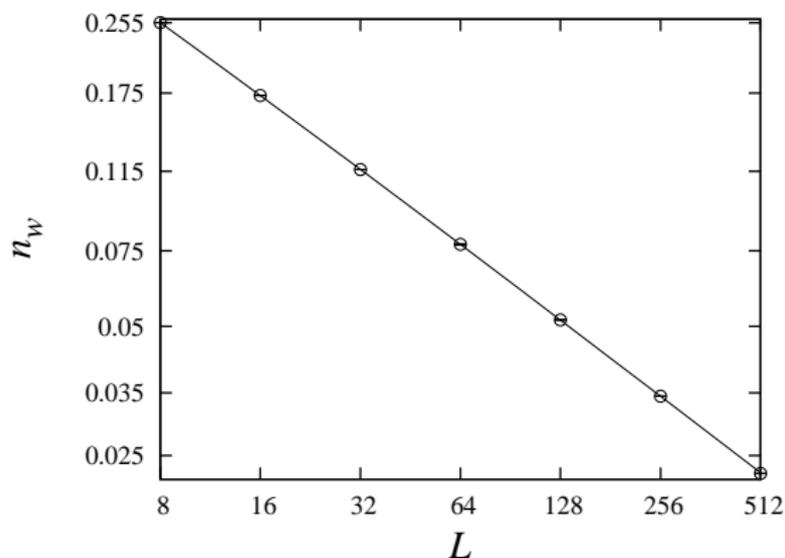


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$$n_w \propto L^{y_H - 2}$$



$$y_H = d_l = 1.405(2)$$

Numerical results

Simulation results (S) in the subspace $u = v = x, w = x^2, c = 0$.

| n | | x_c | y_t | y_h | y_H | $P_w^{(0)}$ |
|-----|---|------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| 1 | E | | 1 | 1.875 | 1.375 | |
| | T | 0.40644(1) | | | | |
| | S | 0.40644(1) | 1.002(3) | 1.8749(3) | 1.374(1) | 0.516(1) |
| 1.5 | E | | 0.748109 | 1.86776 | 1.40649 | |
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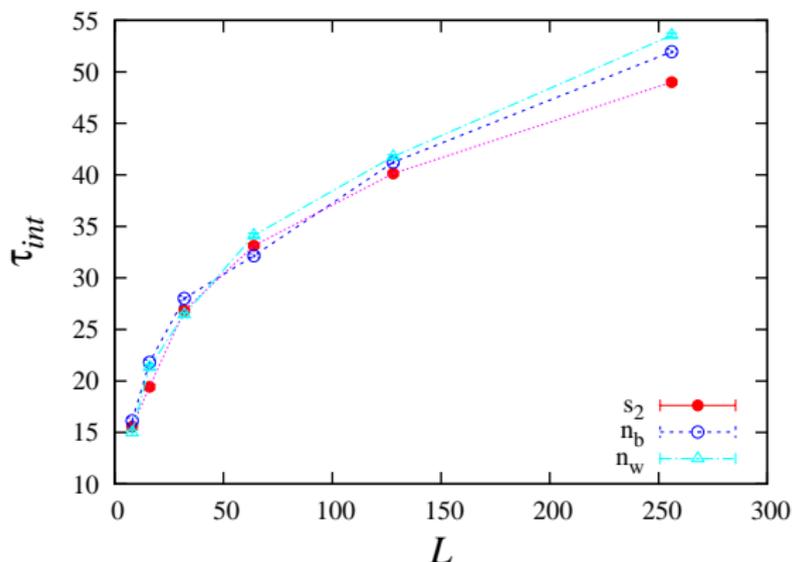
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| n | | x_c | y_t | y_h | y_H | $P_w^{(0)}$ |
|-----|---|-------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| 1 | E | | 1 | 1.875 | 1.375 | |
| | T | 0.398048(2) | | | | |
| | S | 0.398050(5) | 1.001(3) | 1.8749(3) | 1.3755(6) | 0.516(1) |
| 1.5 | E | | 0.748109 | 1.86776 | 1.40649 | |
| | T | 0.423622(2) | | | | |
| | S | 0.42366(5) | 0.744(5) | 1.8679(6) | 1.405 (2) | 0.654(1) |

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Integrated autocorrelation times τ_{int} versus lattice size L ($n = 1.5$) in the subspace $u = v = x, w = c = x^2$. (The unit of time is normalized to 'visit per site').



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