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## Pseudo PQ-injective modules

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#### Abstract

A module  $M_R$  is called Pseudo PQ-injective (or PPQ-injective for short) if every monomorphism from a principal submodule of M to M extends to an endomorphism of M. Some characterizations and properties of this class of modules are investigated, PPQ-injective modules with some additional conditions are studied, semisimple artinian rings are characterized by PPQ-injective modules.

**Key Words:** PPQ- injective modules; Endomorphism rings; Strongly Kasch modules; semisimple artinian rings; perfect rings.

#### 1. Introduction

Throughout R is an associative ring with identity and all modules are unitary. Following [6], a right R-module M is called principally quasi-injective (or PQ-injective for short) if every homomorphism from a principal submodule of M to M extends to an endomorphism of M, or equivalently,  $\mathbf{l}_M(\mathbf{r}_R(m)) = Sm$  for every  $m \in M$ , where  $S = End(M_R)$ . In this paper, we generalized the concept of PQ-injective modules to PPQ-injective modules and give some interesting results on these modules.

As usual, we denote the Jacobson radical of a ring R by J(R) and denote the injective hull of a module M by E(M). Let M be a right R-module, then we denote  $S = End(M_R)$ . Let  $X \subseteq M$ ,  $Y \subseteq M$  and  $A \subseteq S$ , then we write  $\mathbf{r}_R(X) = \{r \in R \mid xr = 0, \text{ for all } x \in X\}$ ,  $\mathbf{l}_S(Y) = \{s \in S \mid sy = 0, \text{ for all } y \in Y\}$ , and  $\mathbf{r}_M(A) = \{m \in M \mid sm = 0, \text{ for all } s \in A\}$ .

#### 2. Pseudo PQ-injective modules

We start with the following definition.

**Definition 1** Let R be a ring. A right R-module M is called Pseudo PQ-injective (or PPQ-injective for short) if every monomorphism from a principal submodule of M to M extends to an endomorphism of M.

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**Theorem 2** The following conditions are equivalent for a module  $M_R$ .

- (1) M is PPQ-injective.
- (2)  $\mathbf{r}_R(m) = \mathbf{r}_R(n), m, n, in M, implies that Sm = Sn.$
- (3) If  $m \in M$  and  $\alpha, \beta: mR \to M$  are monic, then there exists  $s \in S$  such that  $\alpha = s\beta$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). If  $\mathbf{r}_R(m) = \mathbf{r}_R(n), m, n$  in M, then the mapping  $f : mR \to M$ ;  $mr \mapsto nr$  is a monomorphism. Since M is PPQ-injective, there exists  $s \in S$  such that s extends f, then n = f(m) = sm and so  $Sn \subseteq Sm$ . Similarly,  $Sm \subseteq Sn$ , so Sm = Sn.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Since  $\alpha, \beta$  are monic, we have  $\mathbf{r}_R(\alpha(m)) = \mathbf{r}_R(\beta(m))$ . By (2),  $S\alpha(m) = S\beta(m)$  which shows that  $S\alpha = S\beta$ , and so there exists  $s \in S$  such that  $\alpha = s\beta$ .

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Take  $\beta : mR \to M$  to be the inclusion mapping in (3).

**Example 3** Let M be one of the following two examples of Pseudo-injective modules which are not quasiinjective: either the Hallet's example or the Teply's example (see [4, p.364]). Since M has five submodules 0, M,  $N_1$ ,  $N_2$  and  $N_1 \oplus N_2$  which are all cyclic, it follows that M is PPQ-injective but not PQ-injective.

Let M be a right R-module. Following [6], we write  $W(S) = \{w \in S \mid ker(w) \subseteq^{ess} M\}$ . Note that W(S) is an ideal of S. Recall that a ring R is called semipotent [7] if every right ideal of R not contained in J(R) contains a nonzero idempotent. In order to facilitate, we call a module  $M_R$  a principal annihilator module if for every principal submodule K of  $M_R$ , there exists a subset A of  $End(M_R)$  such that  $K = \mathbf{r}_M(A)$ . Clearly,  $M_R$  is a principal annihilator module if and only if  $\mathbf{r}_M(\mathbf{l}_S(K)) = K$  for every principal submodule K of  $M_R$ .

**Theorem 4** Let  $M_R$  be PPQ-injective. Then

(1)  $J(S) \subseteq W(S)$ .

(2) If S is also semipotent, then J(S) = W(S).

- (3) If  $mR \subseteq M$  is simple, then Sm is simple.
- (4)  $Soc(M_R) \subseteq Soc(_SM)$ .
- (5) If  $M_R$  is also a principal annihilator module, then  $Soc(M_R) = Soc(_SM)$ .

**Proof.** (1). Let  $a \in J(S)$ . If  $a \notin W(S)$ , then  $ker(a) \cap K = 0$  for some  $0 \neq K \leq M_R$ . Take  $k \in K$  such that  $ak \neq 0$ , then  $\mathbf{r}_R(k) = \mathbf{r}_R(ak)$ . Since  $M_R$  is PPQ-injective, Sk = Sak. Write k = bak, where  $b \in S$ , then (1 - ba)k = 0, and so k = 0, a contradiction. Therefore,  $J(S) \subseteq W(S)$ .

(2). By (1), we need only to prove that  $W(S) \subseteq J(S)$ . If not, then W(S) contains a nonzero idempotent e because S is semipotent. But Ker(e) = (1 - e)M is not essential in  $M_R$ , a contradiction.

(3). Let  $mR \subseteq M$  be simple. Then  $\mathbf{r}_R(am) = \mathbf{r}_R(m)$  for each  $a \in S$  such that  $am \neq 0$ , so the PPQ-injectivity of  $M_R$  implies that S(am) = Sm. Which shows that Sm is simple.

(4). Follows from (3).

(5). Suppose that  $M_R$  is a principal annihilator module. If Sm is simple, then  $\mathbf{l}_S(mb) = \mathbf{l}_S(m)$  for each  $b \in R$  such that  $mb \neq 0$ , and hence mbR = mR. It shows that mR is also simple, so  $Soc(_SM) \subseteq Soc(M_R)$ , and whence  $Soc(_SM) = Soc(M_R)$  by (4).

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Recall that a ring R is called left Kasch [7] if every simple left R-module embeds in  $_RR$ , equivalently,  $\mathbf{r}_R(T) \neq 0$  for every maximal left ideal T of R. The concept of left Kasch rings were generalized to modules in paper [1]. Following [1], a module  $_RM$  is said to be Kasch provided that every simple module in  $\sigma[M]$ embeds in M, where  $\sigma[M]$  is the category consisting of all M-subgenerated left R-modules. Kasch modules have studied by series of authors, see [1, 6, 5]. In paper [12], a module  $_RM$  is called strongly Kasch if every simple left R-module embeds in M. It is easy to see that  $_RM$  is strongly Kasch if and only if  $\mathbf{r}_M(T) \neq 0$  for every maximal left ideal T of R. And we also recall that a module M is called  $C_2$  [7, p.9] if every submodule of M that is isomorphic to a direct summand of M is itself a direct summand of M.  $C_2$  modules are also called direct injective modules [8, p.368]. Following [11], a module M is called  $GC_2$  if every submodule of Mthat is isomorphic to M is itself a direct summand of M. Clearly,  $C_2$  modules are  $GC_2$ .

**Proposition 5** Let M be a right R-module. Consider the following conditions:

- (1) S is left Kasch.
- (2)  $_{S}M$  is strongly Kasch.
- (3)  $M_R$  is  $C_2$ .
- (4)  $M_R$  is  $GC_2$ .
- (5)  $W(S) \subseteq J(S)$ .

Then we always have  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3) \Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (5)$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Let K be any maximal left ideal of S. Since S is left Kasch,  $\mathbf{r}_S(K) \neq 0$ . Choose  $0 \neq s \in \mathbf{r}_S(K)$ , then  $0 \neq sM \subseteq \mathbf{r}_M(K)$  for  $_SM$  is faithful. So  $\mathbf{r}_M(K) \neq 0$ , and then  $_SM$  is strongly Kasch.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ . Let K be a submodule of  $M_R$  and  $\sigma : eM \to K$  be an isomorphism, where  $e^2 = e \in S$ . Then there exists  $s \in S$  such that  $se = \sigma e$  and K = seM. Let a = se, then ae = a and K = aM. We claim that Sa = Se. If not let  $Sa \subseteq L \subseteq^{max} Se$ . By the strongly Kasch hypothesis of  $_SM$ , there exists a monomorphism  $\alpha : Se/L \to _SM$ . Write  $m = \alpha(e + L)$ , then  $em = e\alpha(e + L) = \alpha(e + L) = m$  and  $am = a\alpha(e + L) = \alpha(ae + L) = \alpha(0) = 0$ . Noting that Ker(a) = Ker(e), we have m = em = 0, and hence  $e \in L$ . This contradiction shows that Sa = Se. Write e = ba, then a = aba, and hence K is a direct summand of  $M_R$ .

- $(3) \Rightarrow (4)$ . Obvious.
- $(4) \Rightarrow (5)$ . See [14, Corollary 6].

**Theorem 6** Let  $M_R$  be a finitely cogenerated PPQ-injective module. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $_{S}M$  is strongly Kasch.
- (2)  $M_R$  is  $C_2$ .
- (3)  $M_R$  is  $GC_2$ .
- (4) W(S) = J(S).

**Proof.**  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$  by Proposition 5.  $(3) \Rightarrow (4)$  by Theorem 4(1) and Proposition 5.

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 $(4) \Rightarrow (1)$ . Since  $M_R$  is finitely cogenerated,  $Soc(M_R)$  is finitely generated and essential in  $M_R$ . Assume that (4) holds. Observe first that  $J(S) \subseteq \mathbf{l}_S(Soc(M_R))$  because  $Soc(M_R) \subseteq Soc(_SM)$  by Theorem 4(4); and  $\mathbf{l}_S(Soc(M_R)) \subseteq W(S)$  because  $Soc(M_R) \subseteq ^{ess} M_R$ . Using (4), it follows that  $J(S) = \mathbf{l}_S(Soc(M_R))$ . Let  $Soc(M_R) = x_1 R \oplus \cdots \oplus x_n R$ , where each  $x_i R$  is simple, then

$$J(S) = \mathbf{l}_S(\operatorname{Soc}(M_R)) = \bigcap_{i=1}^n \mathbf{l}_S(x_i).$$

Since  $Sx_i$  is simple by Theorem 4(3), each  $\mathbf{l}_S(x_i)$  is a maximal left ideal of S. Therefore S is semilocal. Noting that the map  $S \to M^n$  given by  $s \mapsto (sx_1, sx_2, \cdots, sx_n)$  is a left S-homomorphism with kernel J(S), S/J(S) embeds in  ${}_SM^n$ . Note that the ring S/J(S) is semisimple and hence left Kasch, and every simple left S-module K, regarded as a left S/J(S)-module, is simple, so as a left S/J(S)-module, K embeds in the left S/J(S)-module S/J(S), which follows that K embeds in S/J(S) as left S-modules. Therefore,  ${}_SK$  embeds in the left S-module  ${}_SM^n$  and hence embeds in  ${}_SM$ .

Let M and N be two right R-modules, then we call M pseudo principally N-injective (or PP-N-injective for short) if every monomorphism from a principal submodule of N to M extends to an homomorphism of N to M. Clearly, M is PPQ-injective if and only if M is PP-M-injective.

### **Proposition 7** Let M, N be two right R-modules and N' be a submodule of N. If M is PP-N-injective, then

- (1) Every direct summand of M is PP-N-injective.
- (2) M is PP-N'-injective.

**Proof.** (1). Let  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2$ . Then for every principal submodule K of N and every monomorphism f of K to  $M_1$ , since M is PP-N-injective, f extends to a homomorphism of N to M. Which follows that f extends to a homomorphism of N to  $M_1$  because  $M_1$  is a direct summand of M.

(2) It is obvious.

By Proposition 7, we have immediately the following corollary.

#### **Corollary 8** Every direct summand of a PPQ-injective module is PPQ-injective.

Following [12], we call a right R-module M minimal quasi-injective if every homomorphism from a simple submodule of M to M can be extended to an endomorphism of M.

**Theorem 9** The following statements are equivalent for a ring R:

- (1) R is a semisimple artinian ring.
- (2) R is a right V-ring and every minimal quasi-injective right R-module is PPQ-injective.
- (3) Every right R-module is PPQ-injective.

**Proof.**  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ . Obvious.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ . Since R is a right V-ring, every simple right R-module is injective and hence is a direct summand of each module containing it. So every right R-module is minimal quasi-injective, and then (3) follows from (2).

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let K be any principal right R-module. Since  $K \oplus E(K)$  is PPQ-injective, by proposition 7(1), K is PP- $K \oplus E(K)$ -injective, and hence K is PP-E(K)-injective by proposition 7(2). Therefore, K = E(K) is injective. This proves the theorem.

A module M is called  $C_3$  [7] if, whenever N and K are direct summands of M with  $N \cap K = 0$  then  $N \oplus K$  is also a direct summand of M. We call a module M  $PC_2$  if every principal submodule of M that is isomorphic to a direct summand of M is itself a direct summand of M. And we call a module M  $PC_3$  if, whenever N and K are direct summands of M with  $N \cap K = 0$  and K is principal, then  $N \oplus K$  is also a direct summand of M.

#### **Theorem 10** Every PPQ-injective module is $PC_2$ and $PC_3$ .

**Proof.** Let  $M_R$  be PPQ-injective with  $S = End(M_R)$ . If K is a principal submodule of M and  $K \cong eM$ , where  $e^2 = e \in S$ , then eM is PP-M-injective by proposition 7 and hence K is also PP-M-injective, which follows that K is a direct summand of M because K is principal. This proves  $PC_2$ . Now let N and K be direct summands of M with  $N \cap K = 0$  and K principal. Write N = eM and K = fM, where e, f are idempotents in S, then  $eM \oplus fM = eM \oplus (1-e)fM$ . Since  $(1-e)fM \cong fM$  is principal, (1-e)fM = hMfor some  $h^2 = h \in S$  by  $PC_2$ . Let g = e + h - he, then  $g^2 = g$  and  $eM \oplus fM = gM$ , as required.  $\Box$ 

Recall that a right *R*-module *M* is said to be weakly injective [3] if for every finitely generated submodule  $N_R \subseteq E(M)$ , we have  $N \subseteq X_R \subseteq E(M)$  for some  $X_R \cong M$ .

**Corollary 11** Let  $M_R$  be a cyclic module. Then M is injective if and only if it is weakly injective and PPQ-injective.

**Proof.** We need only to prove the sufficiency. Let  $x \in E(M)$ , then there exists  $X \subseteq E(M)$  such that  $M + xR \subseteq X \cong M$ . Since M is PPQ-injective, X is PPQ-injective too. By Theorem 10, X is  $PC_2$  and hence M is a direct summand of X because M is a cyclic submodule of X. But  $M \subseteq ^{ess} E(M)$ , so  $M \subseteq ^{ess} X$ . Thus M = X, and then  $x \in M$ . Therefore, M = E(M) is injective.

Recall that a module  $M_R$  is regular [10] if for every  $m \in M$ , mR is projective and is a direct summand of M. Clearly, a ring R is regular if and only if the module  $R_R$  is regular.

**Proposition 12** Let  $M_R$  be a projective module whose cyclic submodules are its images. Then M is regular if and only if M is  $PC_2$  and mR is M-projective for every  $m \in M$ .

**Proof.**  $\Rightarrow$ . If *M* is regular. Then every cyclic submodule of *M* is projective and is a direct summand of *M*, so the necessity is obvious.

 $\Leftarrow$ . Since mR is M-projective and is an image of M for every  $m \in M$ , mR is isomorphic to a direct summand of M. But M is  $PC_2$ , mR is a direct summand of M. Observing that M is projective, mR is also projective.

A ring R is a right PP ring if every principal right ideal of R is projective. The next result extends [9, Theorem 3] from a right P-injective ring to a right  $C_2$  ring.

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**Corollary 13** A ring R is regular if and only if R is a right  $C_2$  and right PP ring.

Corollary 14 Let  $M_R$  be a PPQ-injective cyclic module, then

- (1)  $M_R$  is a  $C_2$  module.
- (2) J(S) = W(S).
- (3) If  $M_R$  has finite Goldie dimension then S is semilocal.
- (4) If  $M_R$  is uniform, then S is local.

**Proof.** (1) Since  $M_R$  is cyclic, each direct summand of  $M_R$  is also cyclic, so (1) follows because  $M_R$  is  $PC_2$  by Theorem 10.

(2) By Theorem 4(1),  $J(S) \subseteq W(S)$ . But  $M_R$  is  $C_2$  by (1), so  $W(S) \subseteq J(S)$  by [8, 41.22]. Therefore, J(S) = W(S).

(3) Let s be any injective endomorphism of M. Then  $s^k M \cong M$  for each positive integer k, and so  $s^k M$  is a direct summand of  $M_R$  for  $M_R$  is a  $C_2$  module by (1). Since  $M_R$  has finite Goldie dimension, it contains no infinite direct sum of its submodules, and thus it satisfies the descending conditions on direct summands. Hence  $s^n M = s^{n+1}M$  for some positive integer n. This follows that s is bijective. Therefore, S is semilocal by [2, Theorem 3].

(4) Let  $s \in S$  and  $S \neq Ss$ . Then  $Ker(s) \neq 0$  by [14, Theorem 4] since  $M_R$  is  $GC_2$ . So, since M is uniform,  $Ker(s) \subseteq^{ess} M$ . Thus  $s \in W(S) = J(S)$ . This means that S is local.

**Theorem 15** Let  $M_1$  be a cyclic module, and let  $M_1 \oplus M_2$  be a PPQ-injective module and  $\sigma : M_1 \to M_2$  be a monomorphism. Then  $\sigma$  splits and  $M_1$  is PQ-injective.

**Proof.** Since  $\alpha : \sigma(M_1) \to M_1 \oplus M_2$  given by  $\alpha(\sigma(x)) = (x, 0), x \in M_1$ , is a monomorphism, it can be extended to an endomorphism  $\alpha^*$  of  $M_1 \oplus M_2$ . If  $\iota : M_2 \to M_1 \oplus M_2$  and  $\pi : M_1 \oplus M_2 \to M_1$  are natural injection and projection, respectively, then  $\tau = \pi \alpha^* \iota$  is such that  $\tau \sigma = 1_{M_1}$ . Hence  $\sigma$  splits. Let  $M_2 = \sigma(M_1) \oplus N_1$ . Then  $M_1 \oplus M_2 = M_1 \oplus \sigma(M_1) \oplus N_1$ , and so  $N = M_1 \oplus \sigma(M_1)$  is PPQ-injective by Corollary 8. Let K be any principal submodule of  $M_1$  and  $f : K \to M_1$  be an R-homomorphism, then the mapping  $\beta : K \to M_1 \oplus \sigma(M_1)$  given by  $\beta(x) = (x, \sigma f(x)), x \in K$ , is a monomorphism. Hence it can be extended to an endomorphism  $\gamma$  of N. Let  $q : M_1 \to N$  and  $p : N \to \sigma(M_1)$  are natural injective and projection respectively, then  $\mu = \tau p \gamma q$  is an endomorphism of  $M_1$  which extend f. Hence  $M_1$  is PQ-injective.

**Corollary 16** If M is a cyclic right R-module such that  $M \oplus M$  is PPQ-injective, then M is PQ-injective.

The proofs of the following theorems, Theorems 17 and 18 are similar to the proofs of Propositions 1.2 and 1.5 in [6] respectively, here we omit them.

**Theorem 17** Let  $M_R$  be PPQ-injective and let  $m, n \in M$ .

- (1) If nR embeds in mR, then Sn is an image of Sm.
- (2) If  $nR \cong mR$ , then  $Sn \cong Sm$ .

**Theorem 18** Let  $M_R$  be PPQ-injective with  $S = End(M_R)$ , and assume that the sum  $\sum_{i=1}^n Sm_i$  is direct,  $m_i \in M$ . Then any monomorphism  $\alpha : \sum_{i=1}^n m_i R \to M$  can be extended to M.

By using the same way as the proof of [13, Theorem 2.9], we have the following proposition.

**Proposition 19** Let M be a right R-module which has the following two properties:

- (a)  $J(S) \subseteq W(S)$ .
- (b) If  $s \notin W(S)$ , then the inclusion  $ker(s) \subset ker(s sts)$  is strict for some  $t \in S$ .

Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1) S is right perfect.
- (2) For any sequence  $\{s_1, s_2, \ldots\} \subseteq S$ , the chain  $ker(s_1) \subseteq ker(s_2s_1) \subseteq \cdots$  terminates.

**Lemma 20** Let  $M_R$  be PPQ-injective. If  $s \notin W(S)$ , then the inclusion  $ker(s) \subset ker(s - sts)$  is strict for some  $t \in S$ .

**Proof.** If  $s \notin W(S)$ , then  $ker(s) \cap mR = 0$  for some  $0 \neq m \in M$ . Thus  $r_R(m) = r_R(sm)$ , and so Sm = S(sm) as left S-modules because  $M_R$  is PPQ-injective. Write m = t(sm), where  $t \in S$ , then (s - sts)m = 0. Therefore, the inclusion  $ker(s) \subset ker(s - sts)$  is strict.  $\Box$ 

By Theorem 4, Proposition 19 and Lemma 20, we have immediately the following theorem.

**Theorem 21** Let  $M_R$  be a PPQ-injective module, then the following conditions are equivalent:

(1) S is right perfect.

(2) For any sequence  $\{s_1, s_2, \ldots\} \subseteq S$ , the chain  $ker(s_1) \subseteq ker(s_2s_1) \subseteq \cdots$  terminates.

Following [13], for a module  $M_R$ , we call a submodule K of M a kernel submodule if K = ker(f) for some  $f \in End(M_R)$ , and we call a submodule K of M an annihilator submodule if  $K = \mathbf{r}_M(A)$  for some subset A of  $End(M_R)$ .

Lemma 22 Let M be a right R-module. If M has ACC on annihilator submodules, then W(S) is nilpotent. Proof. As  $W(S) \supseteq W^2(S) \supseteq \cdots$ , we get  $\mathbf{r}_M(W(S)) \subseteq \mathbf{r}_M(W^2(S)) \subseteq \cdots$ , so let  $\mathbf{r}_M(W^n(S)) = \mathbf{r}_M(W^{n+1}(S))$ , we show that  $W^n(S) = 0$ . Suppose that  $W^n(S) \neq 0$ , then  $W^{n+1}(S) \neq 0$ . Let  $W^n(S)a \neq 0$  for some  $a \in S$ , and choose Ker(b) maximal in  $\{Ker(b) \mid W^n(S)b \neq 0\}$ . If  $z \in W(S)$  then  $Ker(z) \subseteq^{ess} M_R$ , so  $Ker(z) \cap bM \neq 0$ , say  $0 \neq bm$  with zbm = 0. Thus  $Ker(b) \subsetneq Ker(zb)$ , so, by the choice of b,  $W^n(S)zb = 0$ . As  $z \in W(S)$  is arbitrary, this shows that  $W^{n+1}(S)b = 0$ , whence  $bM \subseteq \mathbf{r}_M(W^{n+1}(S)) = \mathbf{r}_M(W^n(S))$ . It follows that  $W^n(S)b = 0$ , a contradiction.

**Corollary 23** Let  $M_R$  be a PPQ-injective module. Then

- (1) If  $M_R$  satisfies ACC on kernel submodules, then S is right perfect.
- (2) If  $M_R$  satisfies ACC on annihilator submodules, then S is semiprimary.

**Proof.** (1) follows from Theorem 21. (2) follows from (1), Theorem 4(1) and Lemma 22.

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