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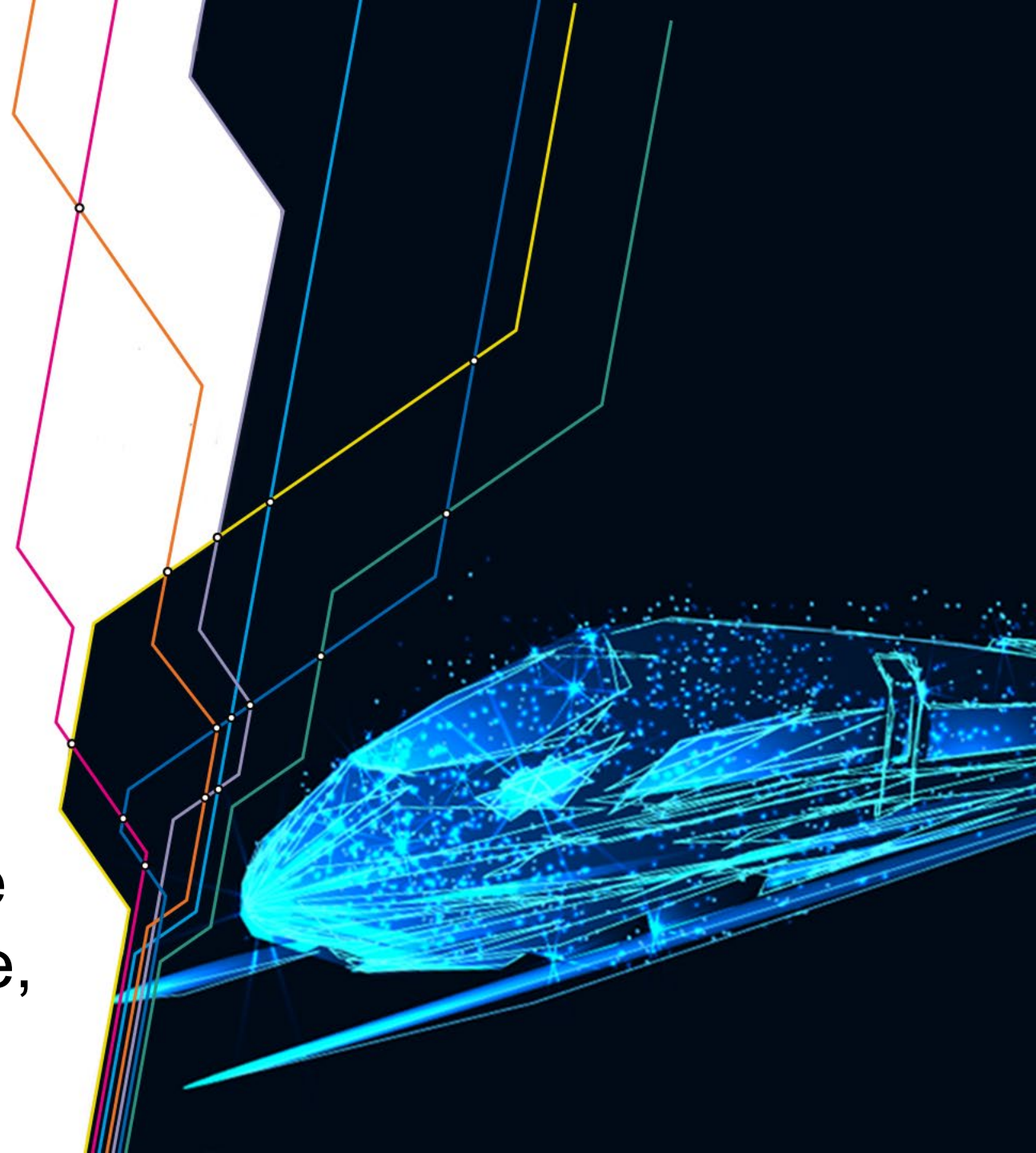


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EVENTS

Connecting Europe's Cities

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CONNECTING EUROPE'S CITIES

RU'S EXPERIENCE & CHALLENGES



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Railways: On the right Track?

Does Railway fit for future needs for international travel?

...or even for pan-European travel?

Many believe that yes!

The most critical issues addressed (EU level) significant effort has been made:

Lack of attractiveness and competitiveness

Lack of interoperability

Lack of capacity

Lack of economic certainty

- ...and it's GREEN

Liberalization

Common standards TSI + EU money

New infrastructure envisaged TEN-T

PSO still applicable



Why does it take so much time?

....and why we will hear „*We need to implement ETCS...*“ still many times?

It is too complex...

Technically, administratively etc...

Proper understanding

e.g. Single European Railway Area

≠ one railway model

Realistic expectations vs. emotions

Interdependency: vehicle - infrastructure

Historical legacy – variety of technical solutions

Railway reform = more stakeholder than in the past

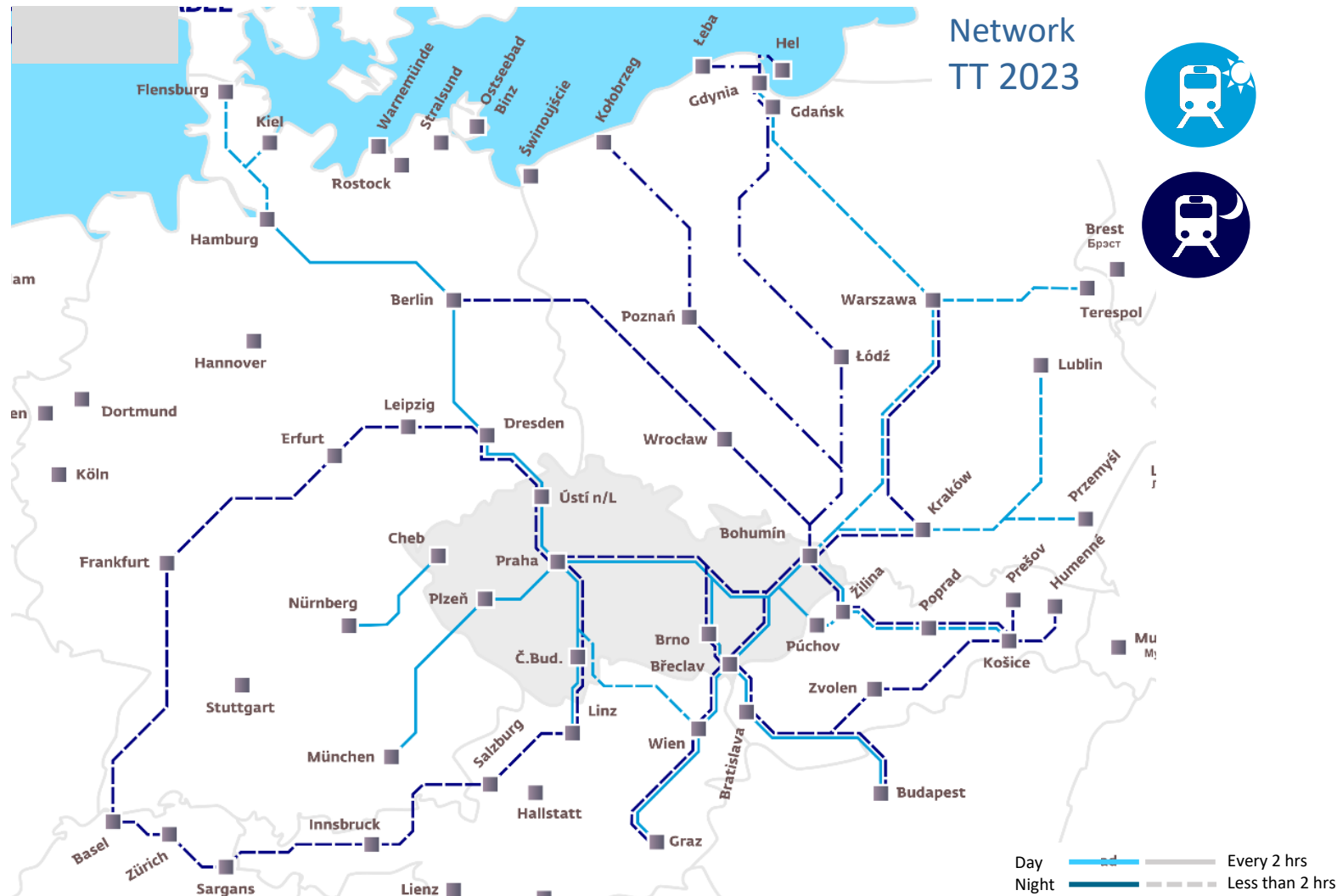
➔ sometimes different interests

Coexistence of private and public interests

etc.



České dráhy believes too...



ČD:

6500+ pax. services daily

420+

cross-border services daily

166 international

long-distance trains daily

2 hrs int. service

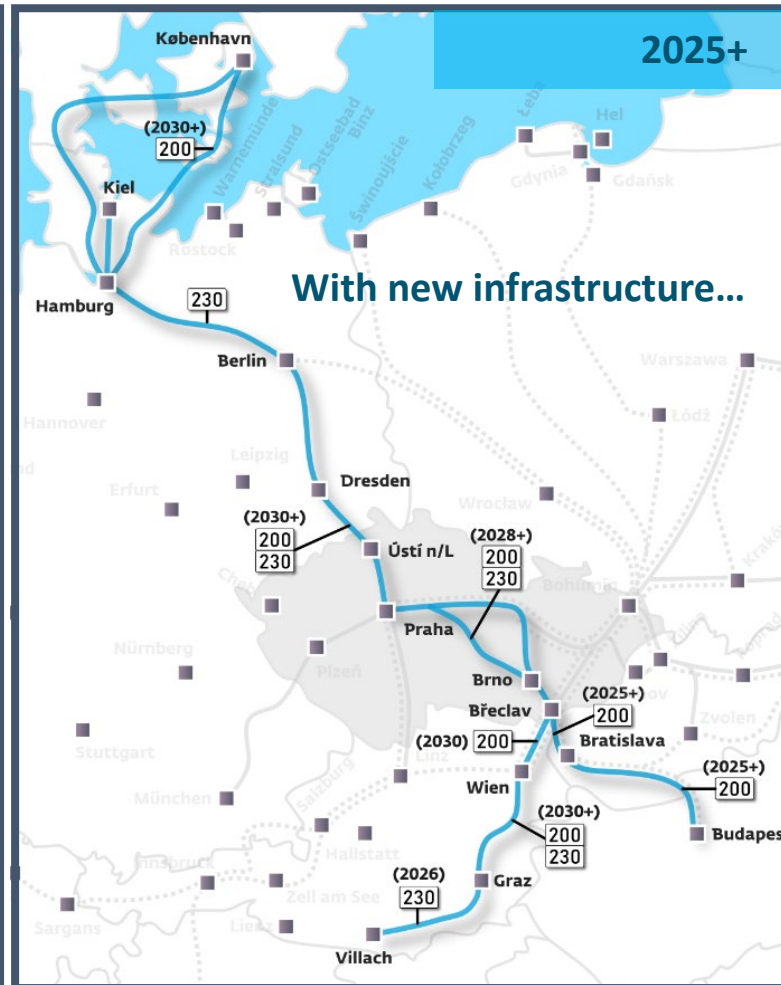
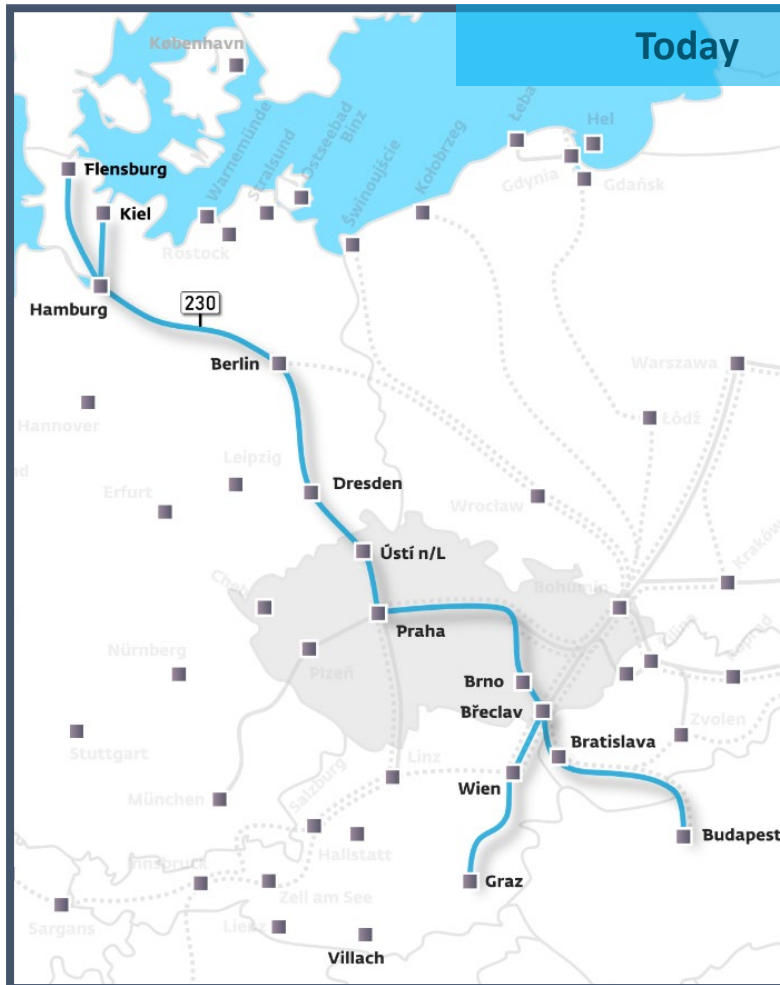
Berlin, Vienna, Warsaw, Budapest...

connecting many regional capitals

České dráhy Connecting Europe's Cities

...with partners

Extending existing EU connections...



...with new trans 2024+

Loco + 9 coaches trainsets, 555 seats

Preconditions

- Speed 230 km/h – Deutschlandtakt if CD wants operate north of Berlin after 2025

Voluntary Prerequisites

- New quality + higher reliability
- New Infrastructure (Fehmarnbelt, Semmering, Koralm, CEE HS projects..)

If new infrastructure:

- Changes in demand patterns
- New destinations reachable



Business case vs. Business stability



50 interoperable locos

- * 2019-21 – business-case development, contract definition
- * 2022 – contact placement
- * 2025 – first delivery
- * 2026 – full delivery

240 mil.
EUR

20 train sets (180 carriages)

- * 2019-21 – business-case development, contract definition
- * 2021 – contact placement
- * 2024 – first delivery
- * 2027 – full delivery

520 mil.
EUR

Operational range

CZ, DE, DK, AT, SK, HU, PL

- * Technical aspects
- * Agreement among cooperating RUs/partners

PROJECT LIFE-CYCLE

BUSINESS CASE DEVELOPMENT

2019-20

REAL BUSINESS STARTS

2025

BUSINESS CASE minimum period

10-15 years

FULL AMORTIZATION TIME

30 years



Technology, seamless interoperability & reality



Range (CZ, DE, DK, AT, SK, HU, PL)

- * 1 100 km to Copenhagen
- * 600 km to Budapest
- * 800 km to Villach

Time

ETCS L2, BL3

- * Infra – latest TSI standards
- * Vehicle – TSI valid in time of contact placement

7 Infrastructure managers
? Infrastructural projects

RISK:
of losing compatibility
unequal development technologies in MSs

FULL COMPATIBILITY between infra and vehicle
in **TIME** and **SPACE** is **ESSENTIAL**

If no 2 options - new investments = business-case risk
- no investments = stepping operation



ETCS PARADOX

ETCS

SHOULD BE EU WIDE UNIVERSAL - BUT SPECIFICS FOR MANY INFRASTRUCTURES

HIGH COSTS + LOW STABILITY = many syst. version – UNCLEAR LONG-TERM COMPATIBILITY

CHALLENGING IMPLEMENTATION - HIGH DEPENDENCY ON INDUSTRY, DIFFERENT APPROACH OF MS

CLASS B SYSTEMS

COUNTRY SPECIFIC = HIGH COSTS if more systems needed + technically challenging

ONCE SOLVED – NO LIMIT for operation

EXTREMELY STABLE in time = LONG-TERM OPERATIONAL (40-50 years), PREDICTABLE ENVIRONMENT

Lesson learned – ETCS/Digitalization

Many railway vehicles need to be equipped with Class B syst.

- Many destinations not located on main corridors
- Flexibility for detours (by 2050?)
- ETCS + Class B = costly and time demanding authorization, technical risks – error corrections

ETCS Retrofit hidden costs

- ČD needs 1000+ vehicles with ETCS
- Prototype– 6-9 months
- Serial production – 2-3 months**
- Parallel installation on more vehicles needed (5)

Timetable planning and capacity allocation

1 year periodicity

Does this model work in competitive environment?
Can RUs invest „billions“ in 1 year stability?

Key role of IMs decision-making process:

Nationally oriented + act in the care due of a prudent businessman (nationally)

IMs prefer best solution for particular TT
= how easily existing service could be replaced by new one?

Infra works vs. Clock face TT vs. Services cancellation

„Go-Everywhere Train“ paradox

Rail = strictly planned system because of capacity management and technical reasons...

Multiannual Framework Agreements

Between RUs – IMs
For Mid-term period

Analogue to PSC

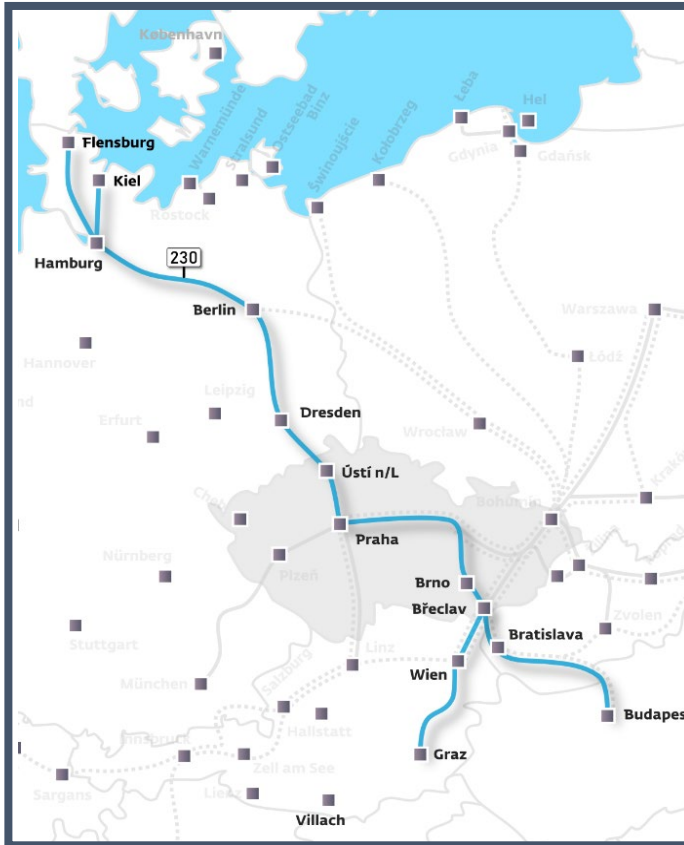
Mid- and long-term investment framework for IMs (PREDICTIVE MAINTENANCE)

Clear rules for RUs = predictability

...even when go-everywhere trains were available planning process would stop RU's business for one year if loses its capacity in regular TT planning process (relevant for passenger services)



Corridor? Line? Network?



ORGANISATION – what is Line, what Corridor?

- * Line Ex 5 Praha – Hamburg
- * Line Ex3 a) Praha – Wien – Graz
- * Line Ex3 b) Praha – Bratislava – Budapest
- * Hungaria: Hamburg – Budapest (Ex3b+5)
- * Vindobona: Berlin – Wien – Graz (Ex3a + 5)
- * PSO – CZ, AT, SK, HU Commercial – DE
- * Common work - PSO authorities and RUs , step by step developed since 90s
- * Cooperative model – interconnection of national express trains
- * TT organized on regular 2 hrs interval,
- * **NETWORK** effects – interchange to other service – nationally, internationally,

KEY ISSUES:

Secure capacity for commercial services and PSO services?

How to keep the system/network developed?

How to organize international PSO? Internationally or nationally?

3 MOST ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS FOR SEAMLESS RAILWAY IN EU

If EU goals to be reached...

PREDICTABILITY AND STABILITY

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BACKWARDS-COMPATIBILITY

Final observations instead of a conclusion

New infrastructure = new capacity and competitive travel times

if competitive travel times = higher demand...

if demand.. then most other challenges (e.g. Ticketing) will market solve itself





**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR ATTENTION!**



READY FOR YOUR QUESTIONS

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