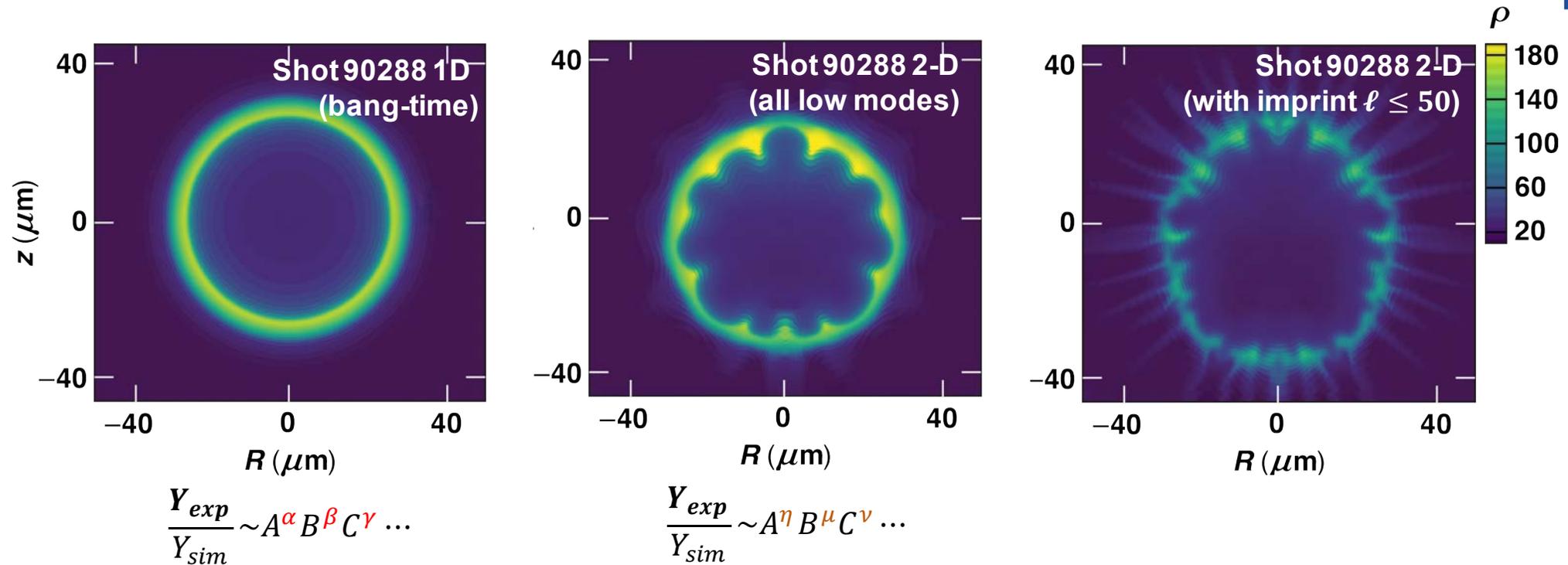


Understanding Origins of Observed Fusion-Yield Dependencies for Direct-Drive Implosions on OMEGA



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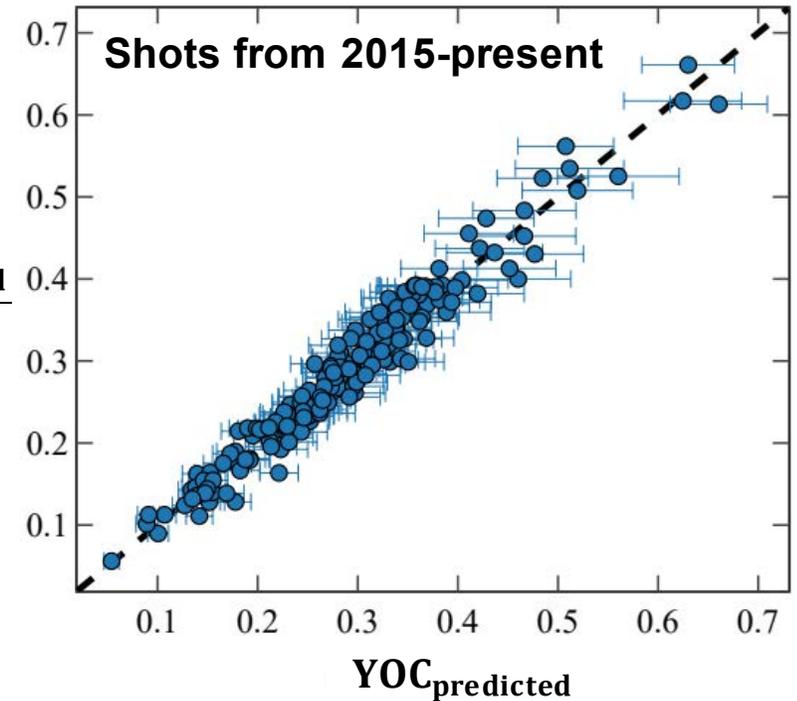
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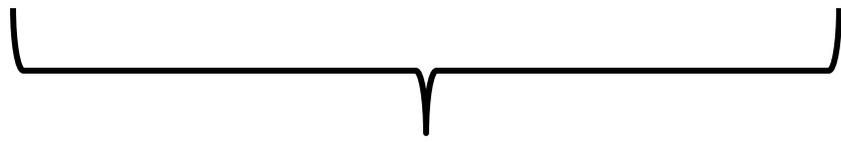
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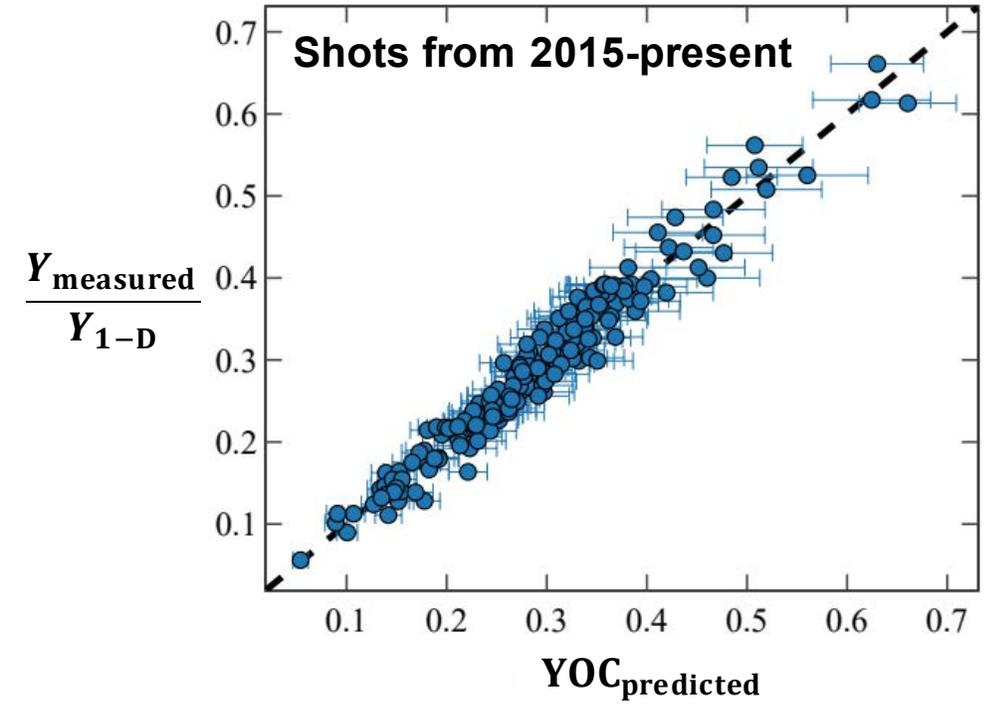
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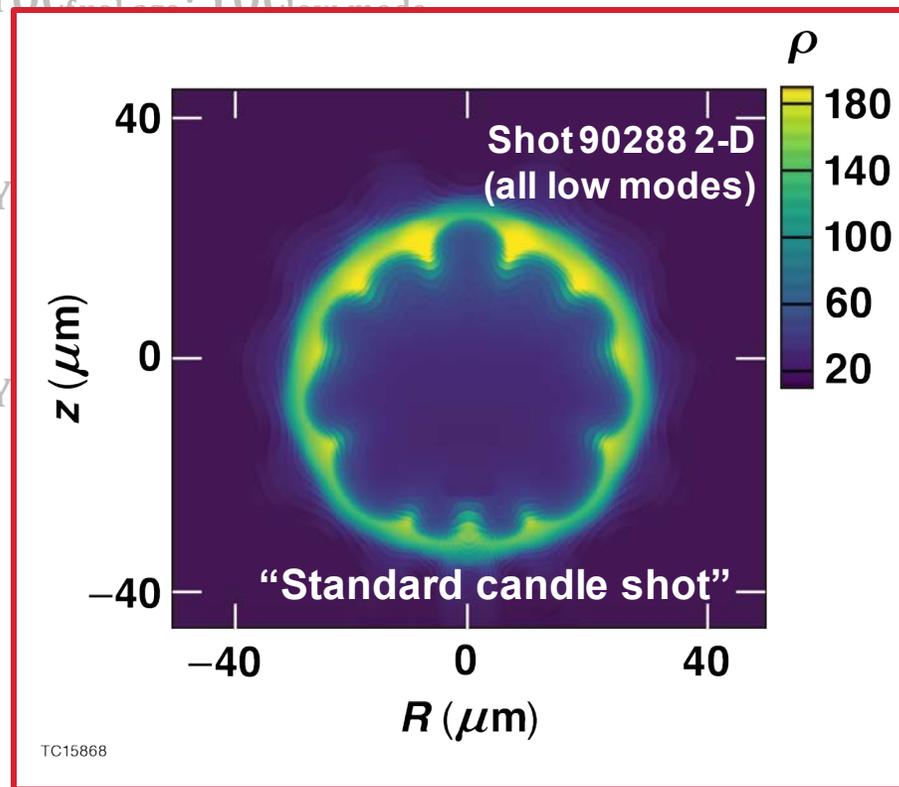
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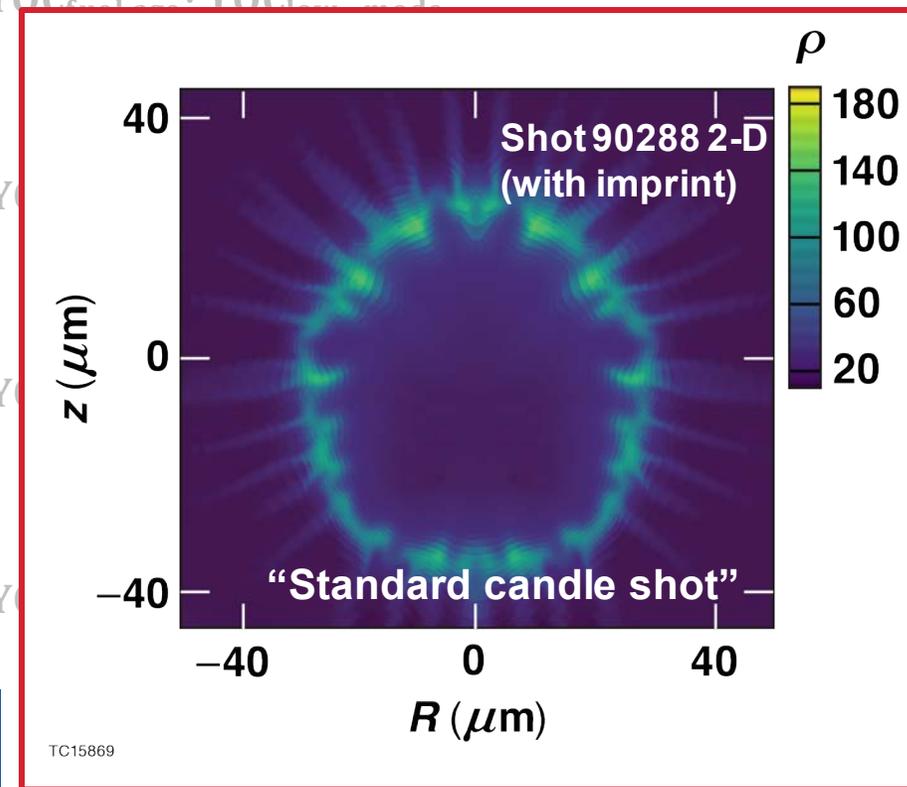
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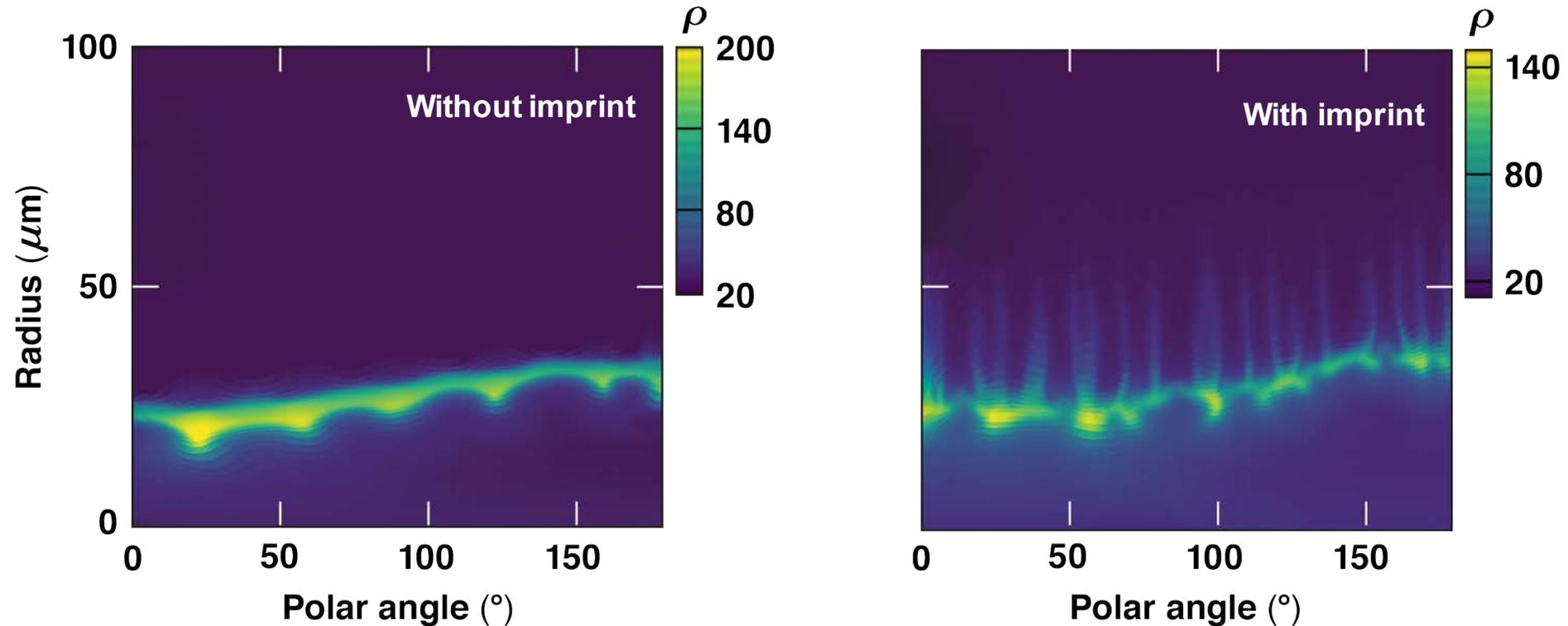


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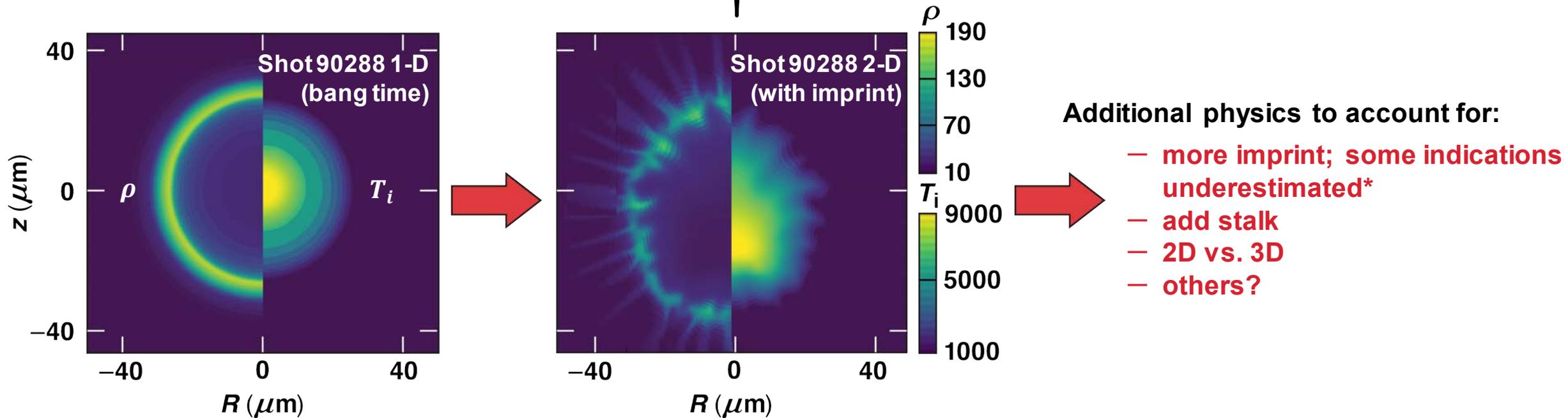
Radial unwraps at bang-time



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Even emulating what's missing will improve predictive capability, as long as it reproduces the residual scalings.

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