

# **Empathy & Resilience: A Strategic Framework for Deloitte South Asia**

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## Introduction:

### Why Empathy & Resilience Are Crucial for the Future of Work in a Tech-Driven World?

The swift technological progress, specifically automation, AI, and digitalization, is revolutionizing the form of work at its core. While technology brings efficiency and productivity, it does pose new issues and requires the workforce to adopt a different skill set. Technological skills like empathy and resiliency, which are known as "soft skills," are not being made redundant by technology; instead, they are gaining greater importance due to several critical reasons.

#### 1. Navigating Increased Complexity and Ambiguity:

- **Technological Disruption & Change:** Constant technological advancements mean workplaces are in perpetual flux.
- **Navigating Complexity Requires Adaptability and Learning:** As technology automates tasks, humans must tackle complex problems with adaptability and continuous learning.

#### 2. Building Stronger Human Connections & Collaboration:

- **Technology Can Isolate:** Technology leads to increased digital interaction at the expense of genuine human connection in the workplace.
- **Effective Teamwork Requires Trust and Communication:** While technology aids communication, true teamwork thrives on trust and psychological safety.

#### 3. Enhancing Customer Experience & Building Loyalty:

- **Customer Expectations Evolving:** Customers expect personalized, empathetic experiences; transactional interactions no longer build loyalty.
- **Human Touch and Deep Understanding as Key Differentiators:** Empathy and personalization build trust and loyalty and meet complex customer needs in an automated world.

#### 4. Driving Innovation & Creativity:

- **Human Creativity and Diversity Drive Innovation:** Technology supports innovation, but true breakthroughs come from human creativity, diverse perspectives, and empathy.

- **Psychological Safety for Idea Sharing:** Innovation flourishes when people feel safe to share ideas and take risks. While technology supports innovation, true breakthroughs come from human creativity, diverse perspectives, and empathy.

## 5. Promoting Employee Well-being & Retention:

- **Balancing Workplace Demands with Employee Well-being:** Fast-paced work culture, tech shifts, and economic uncertainty fuel burnout, while employees prioritize well-being and balance.
- **Talent Attraction & Retention Imperative:** In a competitive market, companies must prioritize employee well-being to attract and retain skilled professionals.

## Amplified Necessity of Empathy and Resilience in Deloitte South Asia's Context:

1. **Navigating Intercultural Dynamics & Fostering Inclusion**
  - **Understand Diverse Needs:** Recognize the unique skills, experiences, and viewpoints of various generations and cultural backgrounds.
  - **Adapt Communication:** Use culturally sensitive communication and active listening to ensure clear, inclusive dialogue.
  - **Foster Belonging:** Create an environment where everyone feels valued, respected, and safe, mitigating bias and promoting equity.
2. **Thriving in Volatile Developing Economies**
  - **Adaptability:** Remain flexible amid rapid business changes, economic fluctuations, and technological shifts.
  - **Overcome Setbacks:** Manage challenges like resource limitations and infrastructure issues with creative, resilient solutions.
  - **Maintain Well-being:** Effectively cope with stress to prevent burnout and ensure sustained performance.
3. **Addressing Socio-Economic Disparities & Building Equitable Workplaces**
  - **Understand Varied Challenges:** Acknowledge and address the different needs of employees from diverse socio-economic backgrounds.
  - **Promote Fair Practices:** Implement inclusive HR policies and leadership styles that provide equal opportunities.
  - **Build Trust:** Bridge socio-economic divides by fostering trust and collaboration across all employee segments.
4. **Enhancing Client Relationships in a Culturally Sensitive Context**
  - **Multi-Generational Client Focus:** Understand evolving client needs across different generations.
  - **Cultural Awareness:** Adapt service delivery to align with client cultural expectations and build strong rapport.
  - **Tailor Solutions:** Leverage empathy to provide customized solutions, establishing lasting client partnerships and loyalty.

5. Attracting & Retaining Talent in a Competitive, Values-Driven Market
- **Supportive Culture:** Highlight empathy and resilience initiatives to signal a people-centric, supportive work environment.
  - **Appeal to Younger Generations:** Align with Gen Z and Millennial values by emphasizing purpose, well-being, and ethical leadership.
  - **Employer Differentiation:** Position Deloitte South Asia as an employer that truly understands and supports its diverse workforce.

2.1. Key Factors Influencing Empathy:

Based on research and industry best practices (see Resource List), I propose the following factors, categorized as Qualitative and Quantitative:

	Factor	Description	Available Data Sources at Deloitte?	New Data Collection Needed?	Channels for Sourcing
	Active Listening & Observation Skills	Ability to attentively listen, observe non-verbal cues, and understand unspoken emotions.	No	Yes	Behavioural Assessments during interviews, targeted questionnaires, and simulations.
QUALITATIVE	Perspective-Taking & Cognitive Empathy	Ability to attentively listen, observe non-verbal cues, and understand unspoken emotions.	No	Yes	Situational Judgement Tests, Case Study Analysis, Interview questions focusing on perspective-taking.

	<b>Emotional Understanding &amp; Compassion</b>	Recognizing and understanding one's emotions and those of others, coupled with genuine compassion.	No	Yes	Emotional Intelligence Assessments, Scenarios in interviews designed to gauge emotional responses.
	<b>Cultural Sensitivity &amp; Inclusivity</b>	Awareness and appreciation of cultural differences, promoting inclusive behaviours and communication.	Partially	Yes (Enhanced )	Diversity & Inclusion training participation records (available), enhanced through targeted surveys and feedback mechanisms on inclusive behaviours.
	<b>Participation in Empathy-Focused Training</b>	Completing courses, workshops, or programs to enhance empathy and related skills.	Yes	No	Learning & Development records, LMS (Learning Management System).

QUANTITATIVE	<b>360-Degree Feedback (Reportees)</b>	Feedback from direct reports on manager's empathetic leadership behaviours.	Yes	No	Existing 360-degree feedback systems.
	<b>Tenure &amp; Diversity of Experience</b>	Length of experience working in diverse teams and interacting with diverse clients.	Yes	No	HR Records, Employee profiles, Project history.
	<b>Communication Style Analysis</b>	Analysis of written and verbal communication for empathetic language (potentially using AI).	No	Yes	Implementing AI-driven communication analysis tools (email, chat platforms – requires careful consideration of privacy and ethical implications).

### 2.3. Empathy Quotient (EQ) Formula:

Based on the identified factors, a potential EQ formula, scored out of 100, could be:

$$\text{EQ} = (\text{Weight\_Training} * \text{Training\_Score}) + (\text{Weight\_Feedback} * \text{Feedback\_Score}) + (\text{Weight\_Tenure} * \text{Tenure\_Score}) + (\text{Weight\_Communication} * \text{Communication\_Score}) + (\text{Weight\_Qualitative} * \text{Qualitative\_Score})$$

#### Empathy Quotient (EQ) Factors and Proposed Weights:

##### a) Active Listening & Observation Skills (22.5% Weight):

- Client-Centricity: Essential for understanding client needs and tailoring solutions.
- Teamwork: Improves collaboration and conflict resolution.
- Cultural Context: Navigates diverse South Asian communication styles.
- Trust Building: Foundation for client and team rapport.

**b) Perspective-Taking & Cognitive Empathy (22.5% Weight):**

- Complex Problem-Solving: Analyzes multifaceted challenges and holistic solutions.
- Tailored Client Solutions: Adapts strategies to diverse client needs and cultures.
- Innovation & Creativity: Fosters diverse thinking, generating novel solutions.
- Inclusive Leadership: Values and diverse viewpoints promote equity.

**c) Emotional Understanding & Compassion (17.5% Weight):**

- Culture of Kindness: Reinforces Deloitte South Asia's caring workplace culture.
- Team Cohesion & Morale: Increases engagement, collaboration, and loyalty.
- Client Trust & Loyalty: Builds deeper client relationships, demonstrating genuine care.
- Employee Well-being & Retention: Reduces stress and improves job satisfaction.

**d) Cultural Sensitivity & Inclusivity (12.5% Weight):**

- Regional Diversity: Crucial for communication teamwork across South Asia.
- Global Client Base: Enables effective engagement with international clients.
- Talent Attraction & Retention: Attracts diverse talent seeking inclusive workplaces.
- Ethical Responsibility: Upholds fairness, equity, and moral leadership.

**e) Participation in Empathy-Focused Training (10% Weight):**

- Actionable & Measurable: Tangible metric reflecting Deloitte's investment in empathy.
- Reinforces Organizational Values: Supports 'Kindness' culture and promotes empathy.
- Skill Development & Application: Equips employees with practical empathy tools.
- Development Indicator: Signifies commitment to empathy enhancement.

**f) 360-Degree Feedback (Reportees) (5% Weight):**

- Leadership Effectiveness: Measures empathetic leadership impact on teams.
- Performance Development: Provides actionable feedback for leadership growth.
- Role-Specific Weighting: Primarily relevant for leadership roles.

**g) Tenure & Diversity of Experience (5% Weight):**

- Consulting Career Path: Broadens perspectives through diverse client exposure.
- Organizational Knowledge: Enhances understanding of Deloitte's ecosystem.
- Proxy Indicator: Experience *contributes* to empathy, but isn't definitive.

**h) Communication Style Analysis (5% Weight):**



- Quantifiable & Scalable: Objective, data-driven metric for written empathy.
- Identifies Behavioral Patterns: Detects consistent communication tendencies.
- Limited Scope: Focuses on written communication only; ethical considerations apply.

**3.1. Key Factors Influencing Resilience:**

	Factor	Description	Available Data Sources at Deloitte?	New Data Collection Needed?	Channels for Sourcing
	Adaptability & Flexibility	Ability to adjust to changing situations, priorities, and work environments.	Partially	Yes (Enhanced)	Performance reviews, situational judgment tests, simulations, and manager feedback.

QUALITATIVE	<b>Stress Management &amp; Self-Care</b>	Capacity to manage stress effectively, maintain well-being, and employ healthy coping mechanisms.	Partially	Yes (Enhanced)	Well-being surveys, targeted questionnaires, self-assessments, and wellness program data.
	<b>Problem-Solving &amp; Resourcefulness</b>	Ability to approach challenges proactively, find solutions, and leverage available resources effectively.	Partially	Yes (Enhanced)	Performance reviews (available – needs to be emphasized in review criteria), case study analysis, simulations, and project feedback.
	<b>Perseverance &amp; Growth Mindset</b>	Maintains positivity, embraces challenges, and stays determined despite setbacks.	No	Yes	Growth mindset: questionnaires and scenario interviews.
	<b>Performance Under Pressure</b>	Performance metrics during high-pressure situations (e.g., project deadlines, crises).	Yes	No	Performance reviews, project completion metrics, and client feedback in demanding situations.

QUANTITATIVE	<b>Setback Recovery Time</b>	Time taken to recover performance and motivation after experiencing setbacks or negative feedback.	No	Yes	Requires a system to track and assess performance recovery after specific setbacks, potentially through manager assessments and performance trend analysis.
	<b>Participation in Resilience Training</b>	Completion of courses, workshops, or programs to enhance resilience and stress management.	Yes	No	Learning & Development records, LMS (Learning Management System).
	<b>Well-being Survey Scores</b>	Scores from employee well-being surveys assessing stress levels, coping mechanisms, and overall well-being.	Yes	No	Employee well-being survey data (if already conducted).

### 3.3. Resilience Quotient (RQ) Formula:

A potential RQ formula, scored out of 100, mirroring the EQ formula structure:

$$\text{RQ} = (\text{Weight\_Performance} * \text{Performance\_Score}) + (\text{Weight\_Recovery} * \text{Recovery\_Score}) + (\text{Weight\_Training\_Resilience} * \text{Training\_Resilience\_Score}) + (\text{Weight\_Absenteeism} * \text{Absenteeism\_Score}) + (\text{Weight\_Wellbeing} * \text{Wellbeing\_Score}) + (\text{Weight\_Qualitative\_Resilience} * \text{Qualitative\_Resilience\_Score})$$

### 3.4 Resilience Quotient (RQ) Factors and Proposed Weights:

#### a) Adaptability & Flexibility (25% Weight):

- Dynamic Consulting: Essential for thriving amidst constant project & client shifts.
- Competitive Market: Agility is crucial for capitalizing on South Asia's growth.
- Geographic Complexity: Navigates diverse regional business environments.
- Future-Ready Workforce: Core competency for long-term success at Deloitte.

#### b) Stress Management & Self-Care (25% Weight):

- High-Pressure Profession: Prevents burnout in demanding consulting roles.
- Supports Deloitte South Asia's focus on kindness and well-being.
- Enhances Productivity: Enables sustained high performance and reduces errors.
- Talent Retention: Improves employee satisfaction and reduces attrition.

#### c) Problem-Solving & Resourcefulness (20% Weight):

- Core Consulting Skill: Delivers effective, client-centric solutions.
- Innovation & Client Value: Drives creative solutions and enhances client loyalty.
- Navigating Complexity: Essential for tackling ambiguous issues in South Asia.
- High Performance: Contributes directly to Deloitte's performance standards.

#### d) Perseverance & Growth Mindset (20% Weight):

- **Career Growth & Leadership Development:** Fosters continuous learning, adaptability, and resilient leadership, building a strong leadership pipeline.
- **2. Innovation & Adaptability:** Drives organizational progress through breakthrough thinking, aligning with Deloitte's 'Innovation' pillar.
- **3. High Performance & Project Execution:** Ensures sustained motivation in long-term projects and enables the achievement of ambitious goals under the 'High Performance' pillar.
- **4. Client Relationship & Challenge Management:** Strengthens client engagement by overcoming challenges, reinforcing trust, and driving successful outcomes.

#### e) Performance Under Pressure (2.5% Weight):

- High-Pressure Deliverables: Measures resilience in meeting deadlines effectively.
- Objective Performance Metric: Tangible, outcome-based resilience indicator.
- Workplace Relevance: Directly relevant to Deloitte's performance culture.

#### f) Setback Recovery Time (2.5% Weight):

- Feedback-Driven Culture: Encourages learning and adaptation from feedback.
- Learning from Setbacks: Promotes a growth-oriented approach to failures.
- Measurement Challenges: Lower weight due to difficulty in objective measurement.

**g) Participation in Resilience Training (5% Weight):**

- Supports Training Programs: Measures engagement in Deloitte's initiatives.
- Encourages Continuous Development: Aligns with Deloitte's learning culture.
- Indicator, Not a Guarantee: Participation shows effort, not inherent resilience.

**h) Well-being Survey Scores (2.5% Weight):**

- Employee Feedback Mechanism: Captures employee-perceived well-being.
- Data-Driven Improvements: Helps refine well-being programs.
- Subjectivity Limitation: Subjective self-report, which can be used as supplementary data.

**1. Integrating EQ and RQ into the Hiring Process:**

**a) Initial Screening (Application & Resume Review)**

- **Application Questions:** Include open-ended questions assessing empathy, teamwork, problem-solving, and adaptability.
  - *Examples:*
    - "Describe a time you successfully navigated a challenging team dynamic. What role did empathy play?" (EQ)
    - "Share a significant setback and how you recovered." (RQ)
- **Data Type:** Primarily qualitative (initial signals from application materials).
- **Data Source:** Application forms, resumes.
- **Data Availability:** Existing recruitment process data.

**b) In-Depth Interviews & Assessments (In-Person/Virtual)**

- **Structured Behavioral Interviews & Simulations:** Use standardized rubrics to assess EQ/RQ through case studies and problem-solving tasks.
- **EQ/RQ Aptitude Tests:** Utilize validated assessments (e.g., MSCEIT, Bar-On EQ-i, CD-RISC) for preliminary quantitative insights.
- **Communication Style Analysis:** Analyze written samples (e.g., cover letters) for empathetic language cues (limited pre-hire predictive value).
- **Data Type:** Blend of qualitative (interviewer assessments, simulations) and quantitative (EQ/RQ questionnaires, limited communication analysis).
- **Data Source:** Interviewer evaluations, simulation scores, EQ/RQ aptitude test results, and written communication samples.

- **Data Availability:** EQ/RQ questionnaires and communication analysis tools are *new* data sources requiring implementation. Behavioral interview frameworks and simulation design need development.

### c) Final Selection & Offer Stage (Predictive Insights):

- **EQ & RQ Application:** At this stage, the accumulated EQ and RQ scores (from questionnaires and qualitative assessments) provide valuable *predictive insights* to inform final hiring decisions.
  - **Holistic Candidate Profile:** EQ and RQ scores contribute to a more holistic candidate profile alongside technical skills and experience.
  - **Team Fit & Cultural Alignment:** EQ scores help assess whether the candidate fits Deloitte South Asia's culture of kindness and collaboration. RQ scores predict candidate suitability for the demanding consulting environment.
  - **Development Planning:** EQ and RQ scores can inform initial onboarding and development plans, identifying areas where new hires might benefit from targeted empathy or resilience training.
- **Data Type:** Primarily quantitative (aggregated EQ & RQ scores), supplemented by qualitative interviewer insights.
- **Data Source:** Aggregated EQ and RQ scores from previous stages, interviewer summary evaluations.
- **Data Availability:** Data becomes *available* as data collection processes from previous stages are implemented.

### 3. Next Steps & Implementation Recommendations:

- **Pilot Program:** Test EQ and RQ measurement in a specific Deloitte South Asia department to refine methods and validate data before scaling.
- **Training & Calibration:** Train interviewers on behavioral assessments, simulations, and scoring for consistent data collection.
- **Tool Implementation:** Select and integrate EQ/RQ tests, communication analysis tools, and well-being surveys into HR systems.
- **Ethical Framework:** Ensure transparency, employee consent, and clear communication on the purpose and benefits of EQ/RQ measurement.
- **Continuous Improvement:** Monitor and refine models, adjusting factor weights and data collection based on pilot results, research, and feedback.

### Spectre-Ross Test Grading Criteria

Each test evaluates **eight core traits**, each assigned an individual score. The **final EQ and RQ scores** are derived from the weighted sum of these traits. Below is the **detailed grading breakdown** for each test.

## 1. Ross Test (Empathy Quotient - EQ Grading)

Each parameter is graded on a **scale of 0 to 10** (total: **80 points**, normalized to 100).

Parameter	Score 8-10 (High EQ)	Score 4-7 (Moderate EQ)	Score 0-3 (Low EQ)
<b>Active Listening &amp; Observation</b>	Notices subtle cues, remembers details, engages in reflective listening.	Listens but misses emotional cues and interrupts at times.	Shows disinterest, ignores cues, and interrupts frequently.
<b>Perspective-Taking &amp; Cognitive Empathy</b>	Considers multiple viewpoints and makes others feel understood.	Acknowledges other views but struggles to fully relate.	Dismisses other perspectives and argues instead of understanding.
<b>Emotional Understanding &amp; Compassion</b>	Balances logic with emotional insight and de-escalates conflicts smoothly.	Expresses sympathy but may struggle to act on it.	Responds dismissively and lacks emotional awareness.
<b>Cultural Sensitivity &amp; Inclusivity</b>	Adapting communication style welcomes diverse perspectives.	Shows some sensitivity but lacks proactive inclusivity.	Unaware of biases, he makes culturally insensitive remarks.
<b>Empathy Training Participation</b>	Actively engages in training and applies learned skills in real-world scenarios.	Participates but doesn't always apply knowledge.	Avoids empathy training and sees no value in it.

<b>360-Degree Feedback (Peers &amp; Reportees)</b>	Consistently rated as supportive, understanding, and considerate.	Mixed reviews—sometimes empathetic, sometimes detached.	Frequently rated as indifferent or emotionally detached.
<b>Tenure &amp; Diversity of Experience</b>	Has worked with diverse groups and easily adapts to new people.	Some experience with diverse teams but struggles initially.	Minimal exposure to diversity avoids new perspectives.
<b>Communication Style Analysis</b>	Adjusts tone and approach based on the audience to remain clear and respectful.	Communicates well but may lack emotional depth.	Uses an aggressive or dismissive communication style.

#### Ross Test Final Grade:

- **80-100 (High EQ):** Exceptional emotional intelligence, ideal for leadership and collaborative roles.
- **50-79 (Moderate EQ):** Shows empathy but needs development in perspective-taking and inclusivity.
- **Below 50 (Low EQ):** Struggles with emotional connection need training in active listening and communication.

## 2. Spectre Test (Resilience Quotient - RQ Grading)

Each parameter is graded on a **scale of 0 to 10** (total: **80 points**, normalized to 100).

Parameter	Score 8-10 (High RQ)	Score 4-7 (Moderate RQ)	Score 0-3 (Low RQ)
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<b>Adaptability &amp; Flexibility</b>	Thrives in unpredictable situations and finds solutions quickly.	Adapts eventually but struggles initially.	Resists change, panics when plans fail.
<b>Stress Management &amp; Self-Care</b>	Remains composed, uses stress as motivation, and practices self-care.	Manages stress but experiences occasional burnout.	Crumbles under stress neglects personal well-being.
<b>Problem-Solving &amp; Resourcefulness</b>	Finds unconventional solutions and leverages resources wisely.	Solves problems but may rely on others.	Struggles to solve problems independently.
<b>Perseverance &amp; Growth Mindset</b>	Learns from setbacks, stays motivated, and persists.	Accepts failure but struggles under pressure.	Easily discouraged, avoids long-term challenges, and believes failure defines them.
<b>Performance Under Pressure</b>	Thinks clearly, makes quick and effective decisions	I can handle pressure but experience lapses in judgment.	Panics become ineffective under stress
<b>Setback Recovery Time</b>	Recovers almost instantly and strategizes the next steps.	Recovers but needs motivation from others.	Takes excessive time to recover and avoid future risks.
<b>Resilience Training &amp; Application</b>	Regularly engages in training and applies	Attends training but struggles to apply	Avoids resilience training and does not see its value.

	resilience techniques effectively.	concepts consistently.	
<b>Well-being Survey Scores</b>	Reports high workplace satisfaction, emotional well-being, and motivation.	Moderate well-being—some stress but manageable.	Reports dissatisfaction, burnout, or emotional distress.

#### Spectre Test Final Grade:

- **80-100 (High RQ):** Master of resilience, thrives in high-stakes environments.
  - **50-79 (Moderate RQ):** Handles stress well but needs improvement in adaptability and persistence.
  - **Below 50 (Low RQ):** Struggles under pressure need structured resilience training.
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#### Final Scoring Methodology

- **Ross Test Score (EQ) = (Sum of EQ parameter scores) × 1.25**
- **Spectre Test Score (RQ) = (Sum of RQ parameter scores)**
- **Each test is normalized to a 100-point scale**

## **Annexure**

### Resource List:

1. **World Economic Forum Future of Jobs Report 2025:** (<https://www.weforum.org/reports/the-future-of-jobs-report-2025/>) - Provides context on the increasing importance of empathy and resilience in the future workforce.
2. **McKinsey & Co. Future of Work Study (2023):** (Referenced in the case study - find specific McKinsey report citation if possible) - Highlights the link between resilience training and employee performance.
3. **Businessolver Empathy Study (2023):** (Referenced in the case study - find specific Businessolver study citation if possible) - Provides data on the impact of empathetic leadership.
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5. **Tugade, M. M., & Fredrickson, B. L. (2004). Resilient individuals use positive emotions to bounce back from negative emotional experiences.** Journal of personality and social psychology, 86(2), 320. - Academic research on resilience and positive emotions.
6. **Indeed Hiring Lab Research on Generative AI and Human-Centered Skills (2024):** (Referenced in the case study - find specific report citation if possible) - Provides insights into the continued importance of human skills in the age of AI.
7. **Harvard Business Review articles on Empathy and Leadership:** (Search HBR database for articles on these topics) - Practical insights on empathy in leadership and workplace effectiveness.
8. **Deloitte India Talent Report 2024:** (Referenced in the case study - find specific report citation if possible) - Provides insights into the talent landscape in India.
9. **Microsoft Empathy-Driven Management Report (2023):** (Referenced in the case study - find specific report citation if possible) - Industry example of measuring and leveraging empathy.
10. **Google Empathy & Leadership Training, Harvard Business Review (2023):** (Referenced in the case study - find specific HBR citation if possible) - Industry example of empathy training and its impact.
11. **O\*NET (Occupational Information Network):** (<https://www.onetonline.org/>) - Resource for understanding job roles and associated skills, used in the Future of Jobs Report.
12. **Global Skills Taxonomy, World Economic Forum:** (<https://www1.reskillingrevolution2030.org/skills-taxonomy/index.html>) - Framework for understanding and categorizing skills.

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