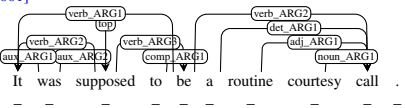
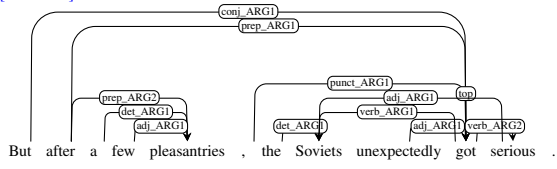


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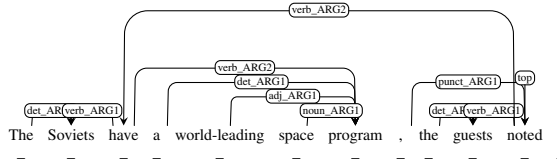
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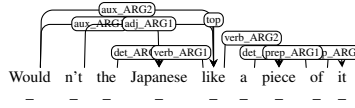
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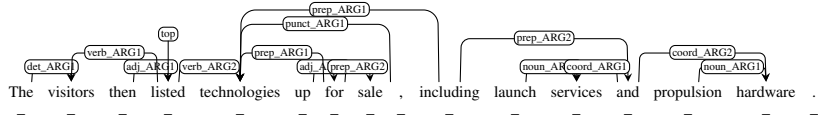
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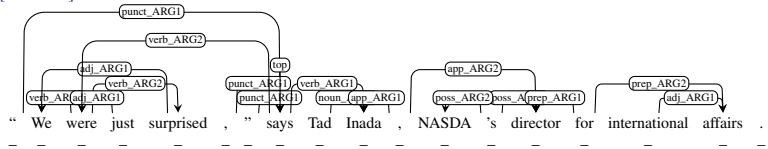
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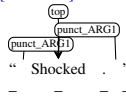
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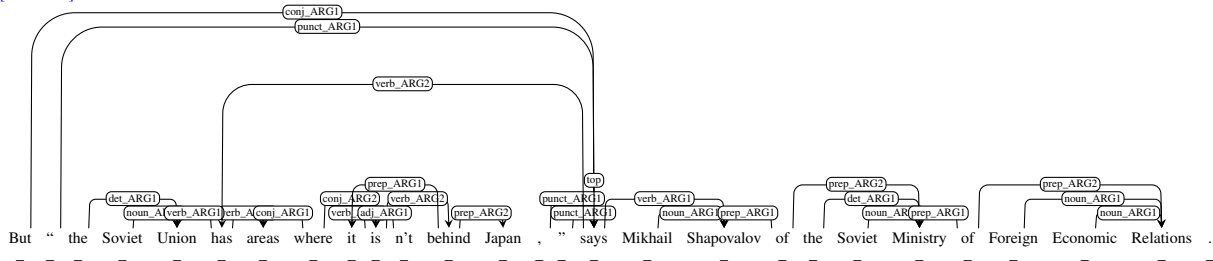
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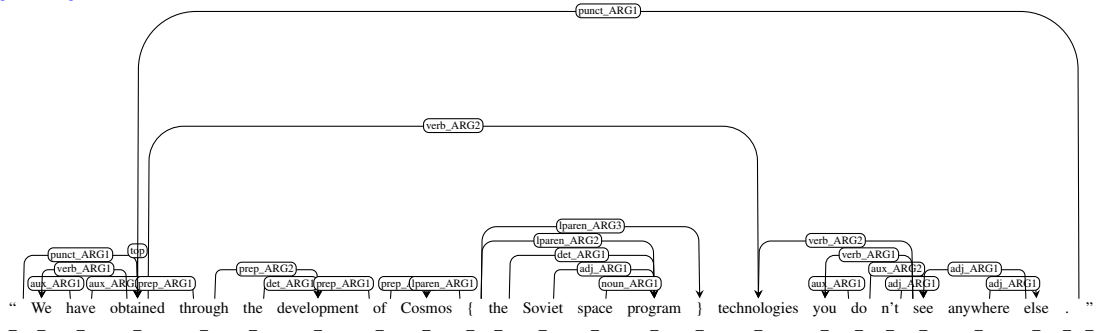
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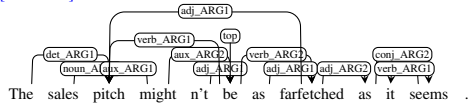
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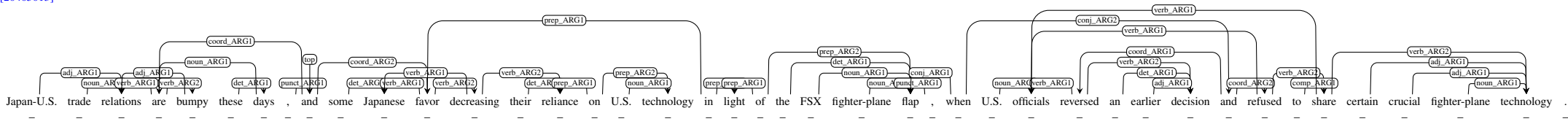
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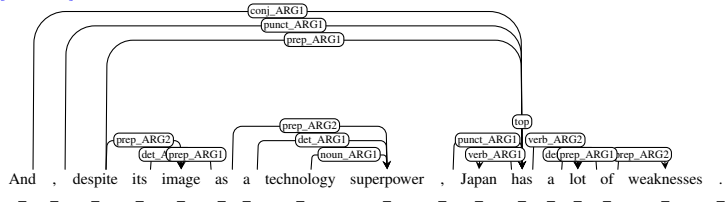
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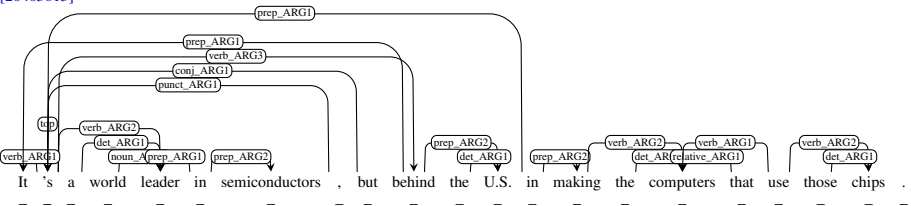
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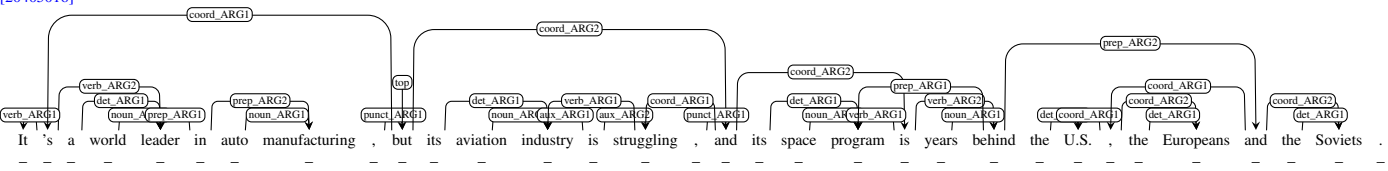
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One question being debated in the Soviet Union is how to use the defense sector's research-and-production expertise in the rest of the economy.

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Many plants that used to make military equipment are now being ordered to produce televisions, videocassette recorders, small tractors and food-processing machinery.

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The Soviets also hope to make better use of their considerable expertise in theoretical science, which has helped them win twice as many Nobel science prizes as the Japanese.

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Where they lag behind the Japanese is in turning the scientific inventiveness into improved production.

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By contrast, the Japanese have proved adept at making use of Soviet inventions.

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Kobe Steel Ltd. adopted Soviet casting technology in 1966 and used it for 14 years until it developed its own system.

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Kawasaki Steel Corp. bought a Soviet steel-casting patent two years ago and has jointly developed the system with the Soviets.

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Soviet efforts to sell their technology abroad do n't appear to worry the U.S., Japan's principal ally.

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"We have never opposed the development of economic relations between our allies and the Soviet Union," says a State Department official.

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Under Mikhail Gorbachev's perestroika, the Soviets have sought economic ties all over the world, including new export markets.

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They believe technology is one of their best bets, and some Soviet officials say Moscow will even consider declassifying military know-how if the price is right.

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The Soviets held export exhibitions that included high-tech items in New York and West Germany.

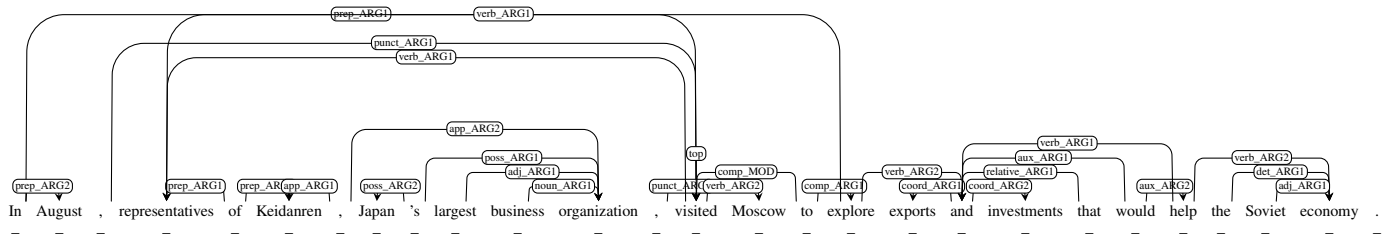
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Last week, a Soviet delegation came to Japan to push more space technologies.

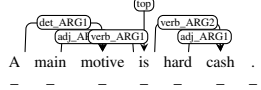
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Japan is a major target for the Soviets.

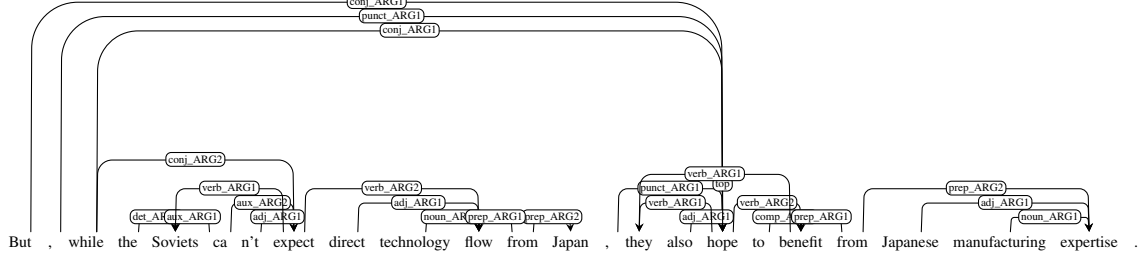
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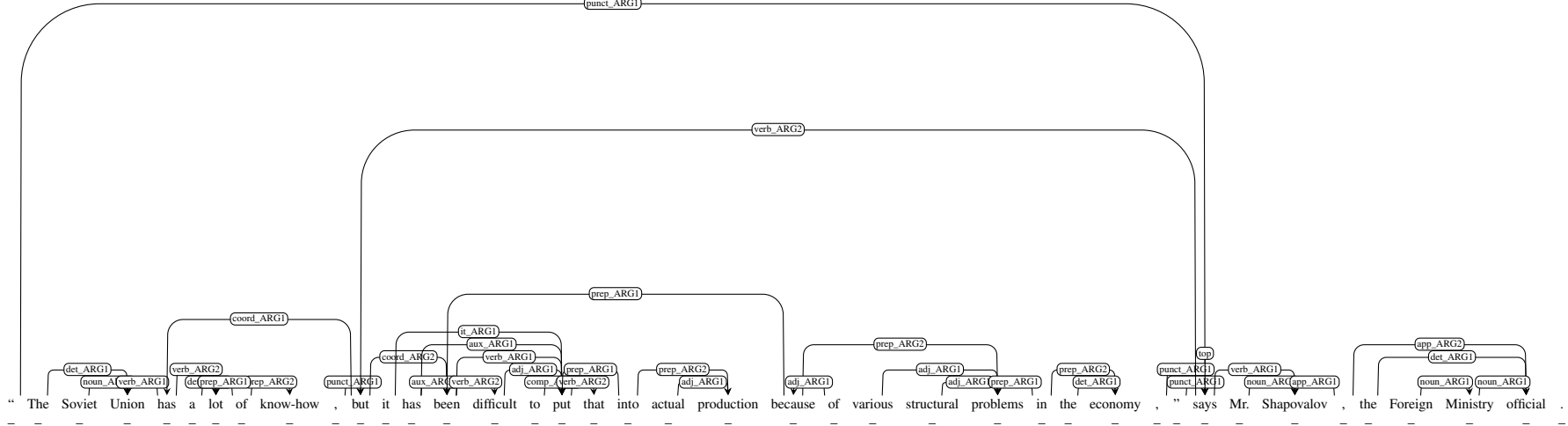
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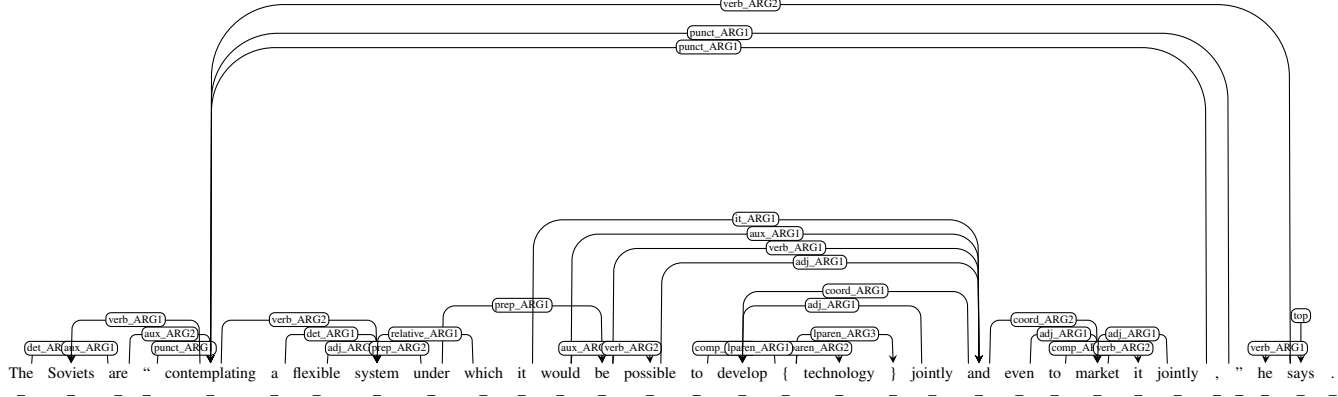
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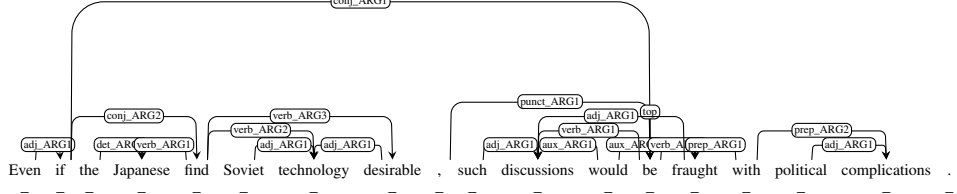
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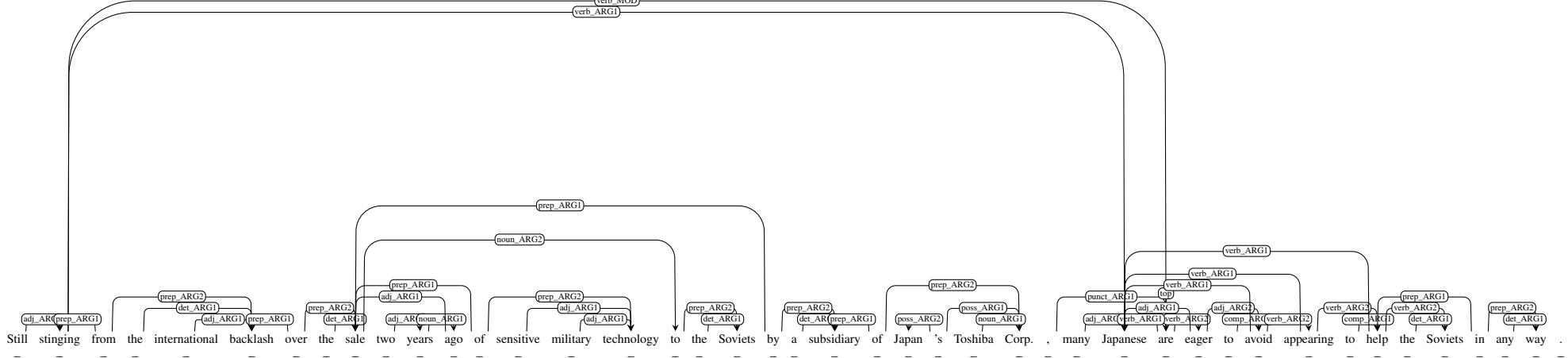
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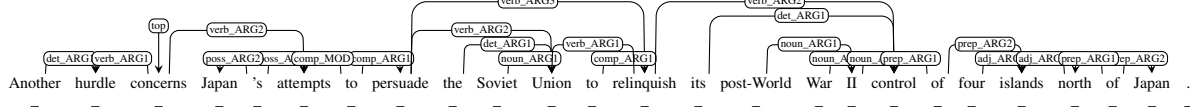
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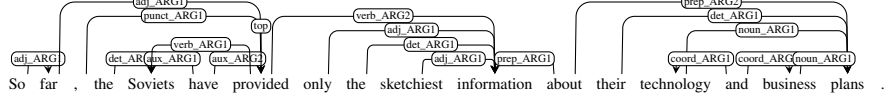
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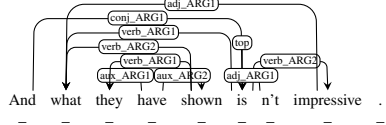
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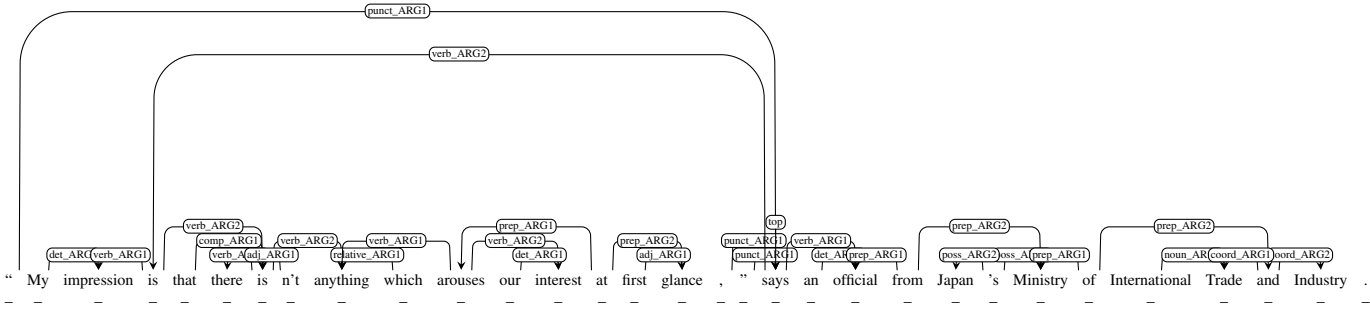
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