

How to use Photoshop CS5 - Part 9: Delete complex backgrounds in Photoshop

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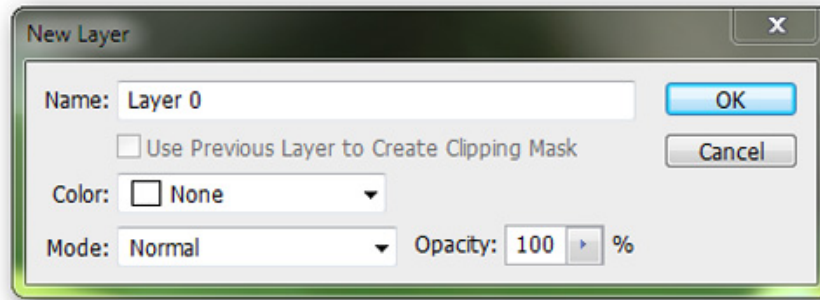
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Delete photo background, split photo background with Photoshop CS5

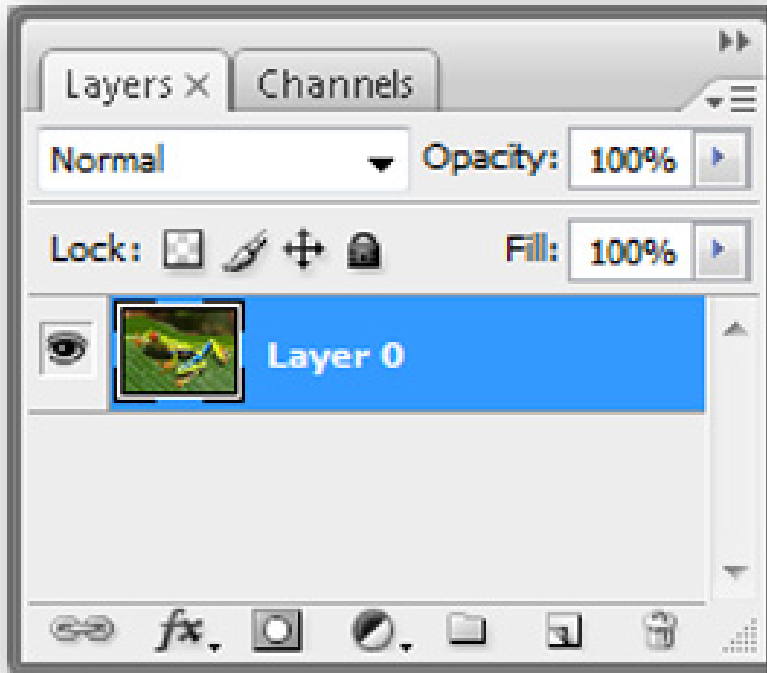
For example, with *Magic Eraser* , you can completely erase simple background images, but for a more complicated case, how do you do it? For example, the following picture:



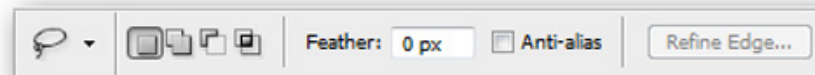
First, right-click *Background Layer* in the *Layers Palette* and select *Layer from Background* . :



The program will automatically change to *Layer 0* . Click OK:



In the *Layers Palette* section, it will only contain a single *Layer 0 layer* . Press L to select the *Lasso Tool* , double-check the *Control Palette* above the horizontal menu, and adjust it to look like the following:



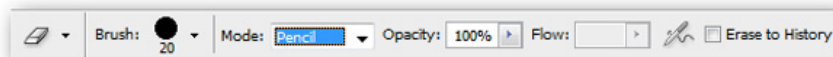
The most important thing here is to turn off the *Anti-Alias* feature , then proceed to cut the edge background image as follows:



No need to worry if the edge is too small, we can correct it at the following steps:



After completing this step, you press *Ctrl + Shift + J* to move the selection to a new *layer* with *Layer Via Cut* . You can delete *Layer 0* and work only on the newly created layer. Continue, press *E* to select the eraser tool, change the mode to *Pencil* and adjust the parameters as follows:



Then continue to purge the excesses that are too obvious on the frame:



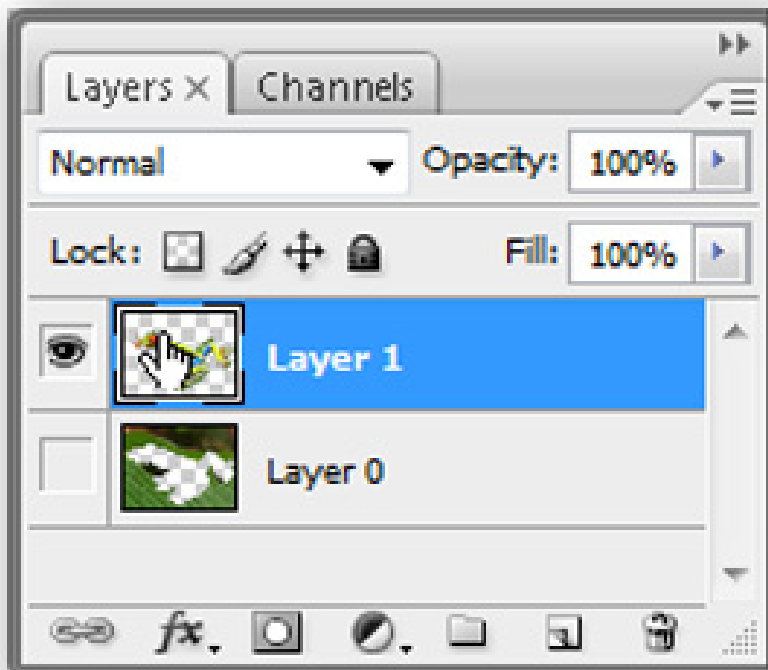
Be careful with each step at this step, move the mouse gently and accurately, select the parts closest to the image, but do not lose the main detail:



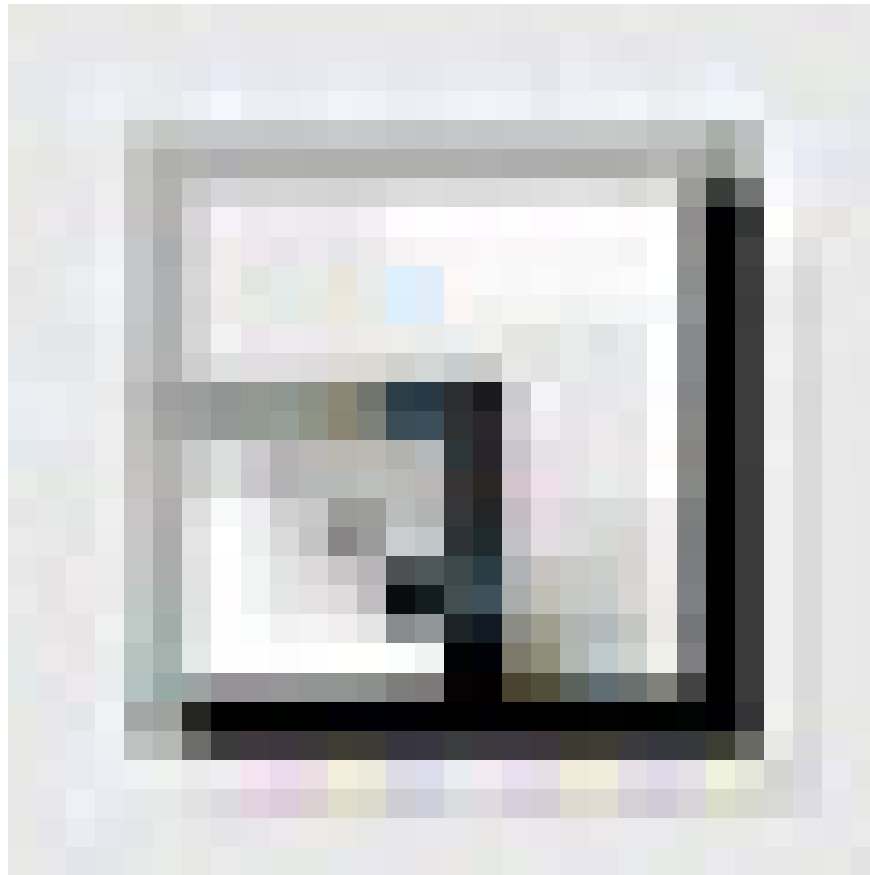
When making a mistake, you can go back to the previous step with the shortcut *Ctrl + Z* or *Ctrl + Alt + Z*. After completing this step, the photo will now look like this:



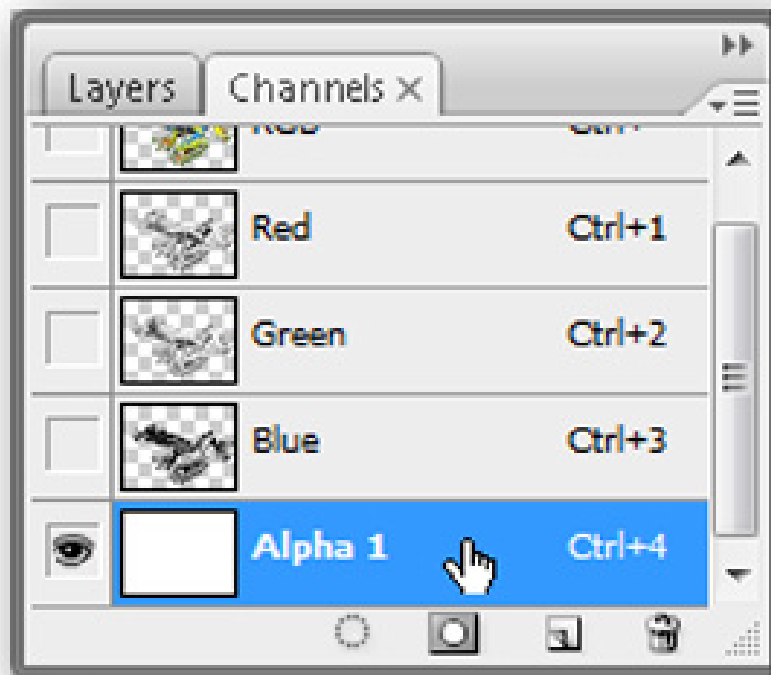
There is no need to delete all the extra details at this step, it is important to create a border that most closely matches the main detail of the image to be processed - here is the frog shape. To quickly remove details of the outer part, hold *Ctrl* and select *Layer 1*:



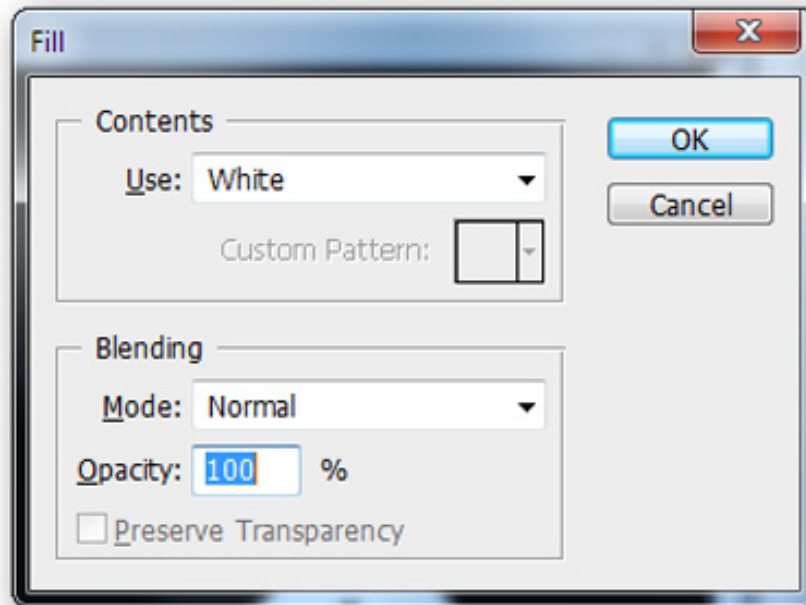
Then click *Delete* to delete the outside selection. Next, open the *Channels palette* and select the icon



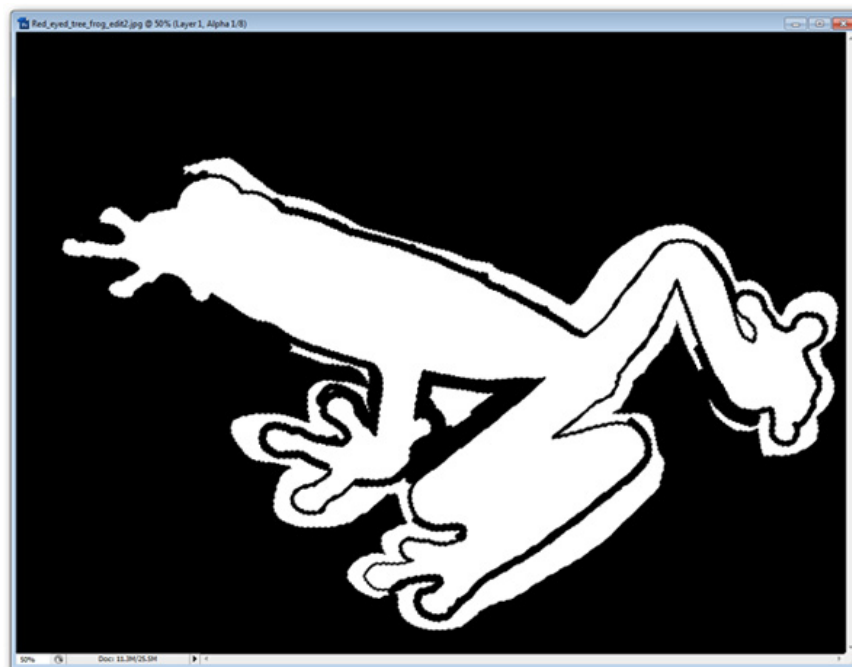
to create a new *Alpha Channel* :



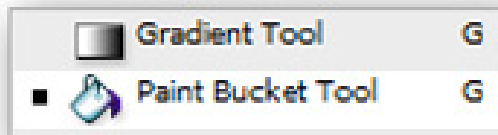
Select this new *Alpha Channel* (usually named *Alpha 1*), and the program will display a list of the corresponding layers. Press *Ctrl + 4* into RGV class:



And select *Edit > Fill* , switch the *Contents* mode to *Use: White* and click OK:



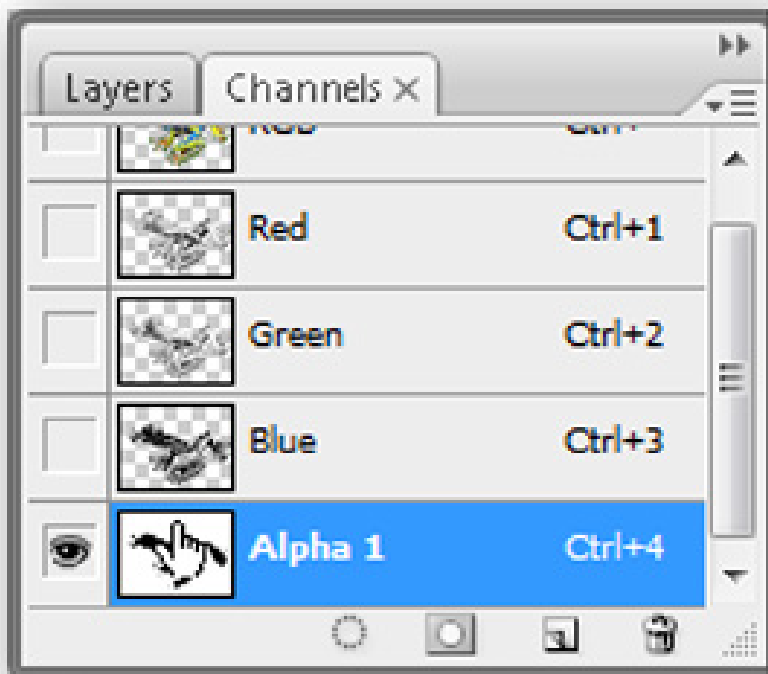
After that, *Alpha channel* will be covered in white with the outer selection. Press *Ctrl + D* to remove the selection. Continue, press and hold the *Gradient Tool* to display the *Contextual Menu* , then select the *Paint Bucket Tool* and let the *Foreground Color* be *Black* :



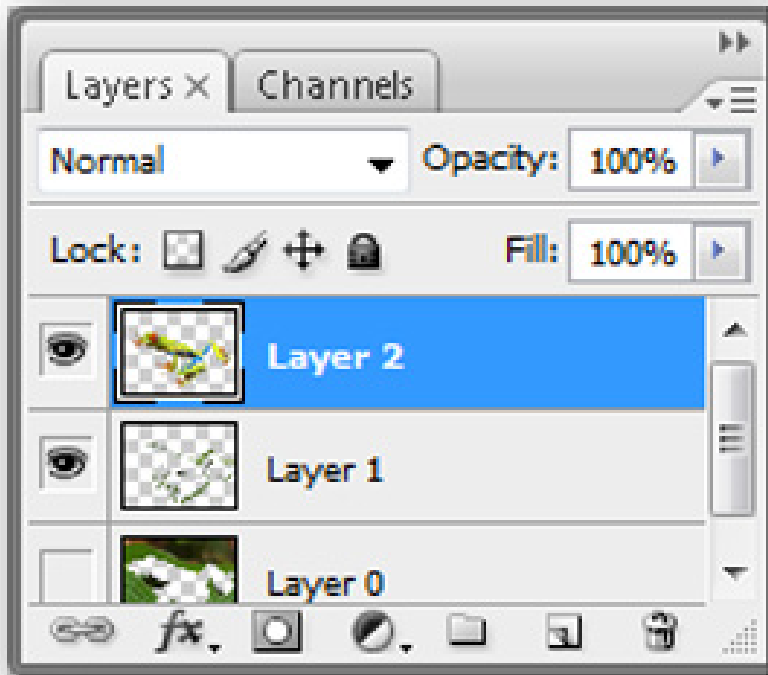
Select the parts you don't want to black on, be careful with every detail:



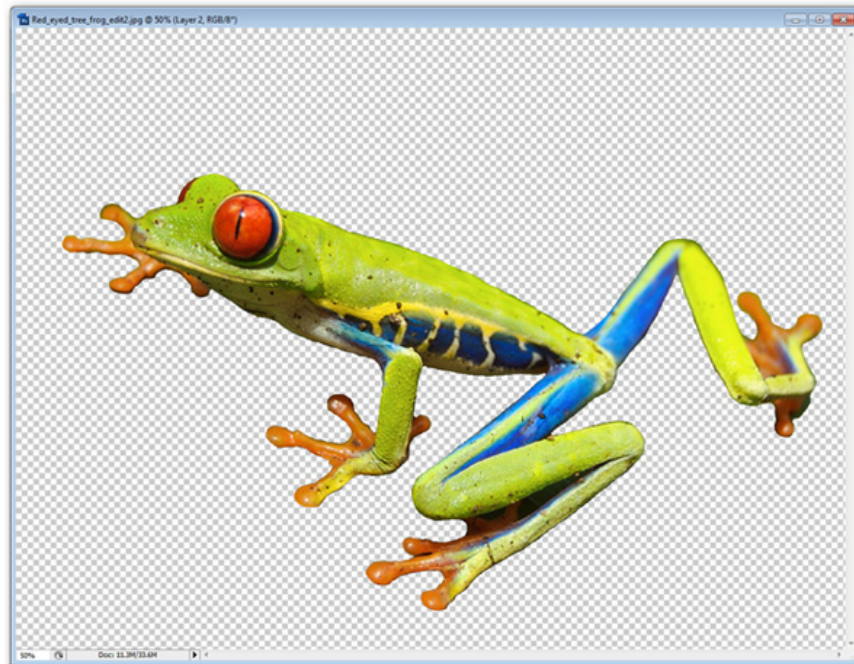
Next, press *Ctrl* and select *Alpha 1 Channel* to select the new part you just created:



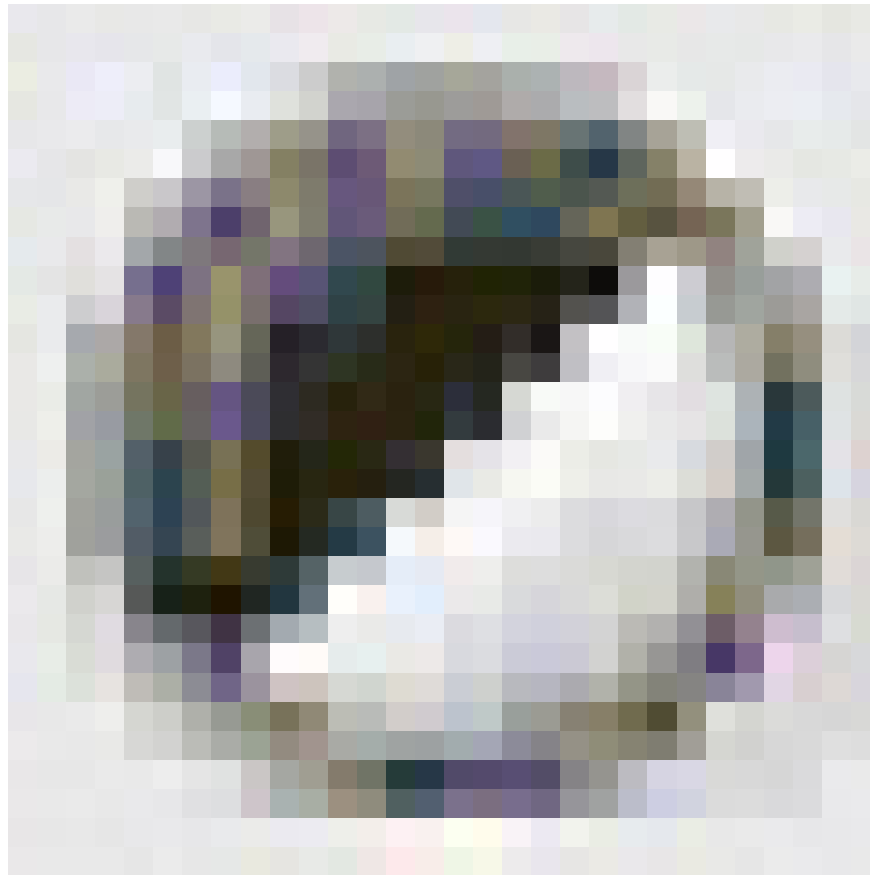
After that, press *Ctrl* + *~* to return to the *RGB* layer, select the *Layers Palette* and press *Ctrl* + *Shift* + *J* to convert the image to a new layer. You can delete the old layer or hide it:



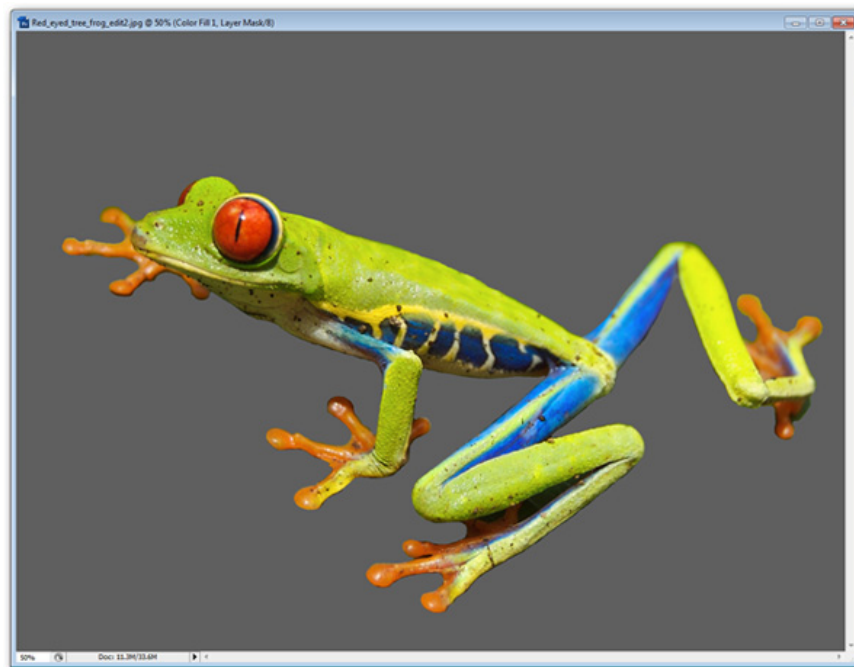
The photo after this step will look like this:



We often choose tools



to adjust *Color Fill* and *Adjustment Layer* , great for removing small details and blending into the main picture. You can choose different background colors to check if there are any extra items around the photo:



Good luck!

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