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Brochure Snap-Action Switches





Double Safety

A sky diver's life depends on his equipment. In case of emergency he is saved by the reserve canopy.

The reserve canopy for our snap-action switch is the positive opening operation. The circuit is reliably interrupted even in the case of contact welding or a broken spring.

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Glossary :: Snap-action switches

Snap-action switch a switch having a snap-action, micro-gap mechanism which is operated directly by a defined force through a defined travel. The resulting indirect contacting action may be such that the speed of the contacting is independent of the speed of the actuation. [IEV 581-10-03]

Contact elements may be classified by the following letters:

Form A SPST-NO

Single gap contact element with 2 terminals.

Form B SPST-NC.

Single gap contact element with 2 terminals.

Form X SPST-DB-NO

Double gap contact element with 2 terminals.

Form Y SPST-DB-NC

Double gap contact element with 2 terminals.

Form C SPDT

Single gap changeover contact element with 3 terminals.

Form Za SPDT-DB

Double gap changeover contact element with 4 terminals. The contacts have the same polarity.

Form Zb SPDT-DB

Double gap changeover contact element with 4 terminals. The two moving contacts are electrically separated.



Actuator positions

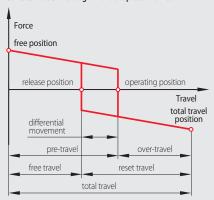
Free position here the actuator is free from any external applica-

Operating position the point along the travel path of the actuator at which the snap action is triggered

Total travel position the position where the actuator has reached

Release position the point along the travel path of the returning actuator at which the snap mechanism is released in order to revert to its normal position

Contact force travel diagram of a snap-action switch



Pre-travel maximum actuator travel between free position and operating position along which there is no movement of the contact

Over-travel path between operating position and total travel position of the actuator after all contact elements have reached their ON/ OFF position. To ensure failsafe switching at least 50% of the distance should be covered by the actuator.

 $\textbf{Reset travel} \quad \text{path between total travel position and release position}$ of the returning actuator along which the snap mechanism has not yet snapped back to its original position

Free travel path between release position and free position of the returning actuator after the snap mechanism has reverted to its

Total travel the total of pre-travel and over-travel, or reset travel and free travel

Differential movement the difference between operating position and release position

Positive opening operation an opening operation which, in accordance with specified requirements, ensures that all the main contacts are in the open position when the actuator is in the position corresponding to the open position of the device

To ensure the proper working of the positive opening operation it is necessary to depress the plunger to the point of total positive opening travel. However, it must not be pressed beyond total travel position. \\

Utilization categories The utilization categories listed in the below table relate to the most frequent applications by which the contact elements can also be classified:

Current	Utilization category for silver contacts*	Typical applications
	AC-12	Control of resistive and semiconductor loads in input circuits of optocouplers
AC	AC-13	Control of semiconductor loads with transformer disconnection
	AC-14	Control of low electromagnetic loads (≤ 72 VA)
	AC-15	Control of electromagnetic loads (> 72 VA)
	DC-12	Control of resistive and semiconductor loads in input circuits of optocouplers
DC	DC-13	Control of electromagnetic loads
	DC-14	ditto with economy resistors in the circuit

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Specifications :: Snap-action switches

Series >	\$800	S804 / S814	S820	NEW S826 / S926	S834	S840	S847	S850	NEW S870 / S970	S880
Contact material	Silver / Gold	Silver / Gold	Silver	Silver / Gold	Silver	Silver / Gold	Silver / Gold	Silver / Gold	Silver / Gold	Silver / Gold
Positive opening operation *1	•	→ _{S804}	€	$\overline{\rightarrow}$	€	•	€	•	•	€
Wiping contacts		⊘ _{S804}		0	Ø	0	0	Ø	0	Ø
Circuit diagram	4 2 	4 2 2 5	4 2 1	4 2 5 1		1 2	4 2 5 1	11 12 21 22	1 2	1 2
Contact configuration	Form Za	Form Za	Form Zb*2	Form Zb*2	Enabling switch	Form C	Form Zb*2	Double NC contacts	Form C	Form C
Actuator Push button Plain lever Roller lever Sim. roller	<u> </u>	Ø	Ø –	Ø -	Ø -	0 0	Ø –	<u> </u>	0 0	0 0
Terminals Flat tabs Screws Leads Cable Solder pins Lugs	Ø Ø	Ø Ø — — — — —	Ø Ø — — — — —	<u> </u>	 Ø	0 0 0 0	Ø Ø O O O O O O O O O O	Ø – – – – – – – – – – –	0 0 0	 Ø
Magnetic blowout	0		Ø	0			Ø	Ø		
Flammability rating	UL 94V-0	UL 94V-0	UL 94V-0	UL 94V-0	UL 94V-0	UL 94V-0	UL 94V-0	UL 94V-0	UL 94V-0	UL 94V-0
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 ^{*1} Positive opening operation according to IEC 60947-5-1, annex K
 *2 Form Z circuitry SPDT-DB, galvanically isolated





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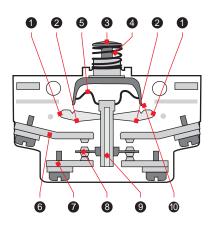


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How snap action works

Snap-action switches are characterized by a switching speed which is largely independent of the actuating speed. The movable contacts are activated by a snap mechanism. The switching action is triggered by a defined force via a defined actuator travel.

When push button 3 is actuated and depressed beyond the snap-over point of the snap springs **5** , plunger **9** with contact bridge **8** moves upwards to the effect that the NC contacts 7 break and the NO contacts 6 make contact.



Positive opening operation

Welded contacts or a broken spring can be the cause of failure for a whole installation. The positive opening operation ensures (in accordance with the requirements of the standard) that the NC contacts break contact in any event and interrupt the circuit.

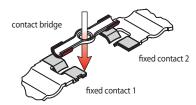
The movement of the positive opening levers 1 at pivot point 2 causes plunger 9 to move upwards, resulting in the forced disconnection of contact bridge **8** from the NC contacts **7**.

With welded NC contacts or a broken spring 5, the contacts are forced open by a positive mechanical link between actuator 3 and contact bridge 8. The actuating force is thereby handed down in the following way:

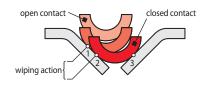
- 1. via the tips **(0** of actuator (pushbutton) **(3** onto the positive opening levers 1 and
- 2. the actuating force is then transferred to the plunger **9** via pivot point **2**
- 3. to contact bridge **(3)**, which is supported by the plunger **9**.
- 4. It results in a reliable interruption of the circuit in accordance with the requirements of the standard by the positive transmission of force from the actuator 3 onto the contact bridge 8.

Wiping double-break contacts

The contact bridge is loosely supported by the plunger inside the switch and initially meets the Vshaped fixed contacts at one point only (1) before it is straightened between them by the coaxial pressure of the snap spring.



The contact bridge thereby slides from position 1 to position 2 and creates a defined friction.



During each operation this wiping action results in self-cleaning of the contacts on one side. In the total travel position the contact is closed on either side of the V-shaped fixed contact (at 2 and 3).

NEW **Better**

Resistance to

- temperature
- chemicals
- impact



Variants for extreme conditions

For applications characterized by harsh environmental conditions Schaltbau GmbH has developed some

The S926 and S970 Series switches have a ruggedised housing made from polyetherimide (PEI). The high-performance thermoplastic used as housing material stands for better resistance to:

- temperature (from -55 °C to +150 °C, dependent on version)
- chemicals (e.g. acids and alkalis)
- impact (PEI 50% more resistant than PC)

The amber, transparent switches are ideally suited for applications where impact forces are high and/or frequent as well as for use in products that are exposed to strong chemicals and the extremes of temperature.

The 9xx Series switches have the same design, dimensions and technical features as the switches of the standard S8xx series, allowing for the easy replacement of a standard switch without additional implementation effort. So upgrading will be no problem.

Schaltbau snap-action switches

Snap-action switches are designed with a snap mechanism that allows extremely fast switching, practically regardless of the duration of actuation. This makes the operating position precisely reproducible and controls the arc more efficiently. Snap-action switches from Schaltbau are designed for industrial applications that place high demands on the reliability of both components and systems. They can switch both control currents and loads reliably and precisely. They are capable of doing so up to 10 million times, depending on the series.

- Double-break contacts
- High electrical switching capacity
- High changeover speed
- Short bounce times (1.7 up to 3.5 ms)
- Snap system and contact system decoupled
- Wiping, self-cleaning contacts
- Long life
 - Pos. opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 annex K
- Versions with ingress protection rating IP67
- High resistance to shock and vibration













Series S804

Series S814

Snap-action switches with positive opening operation

Schaltbau S800 Series snap-action switches have been in use for decades and proved their reliability in innumerable applications.

They feature double-break contacts, snap-action mechanism and positive opening operation which ensures a forced breaking of the normally closed contacts in case of spring failure or contact welding due to a short-circuit. This makes them ideally suited for use in safety related applications.

Snap-action switches with positive opening operation

S804 Series switches add to the product line featuring the same snap-action mechanism and positive opening operation as the S800 Series switches

They differ, however, in form, dimensions and position of the screw-type terminals. For these reasons, unlike S800 Series snap-action switches, S804 Series switches are not suited for use with a blowout device.

Snap-action switch with plunger running full-length through the switch

Unlike series S800 and S804, Schaltbau's S814 Series snap-action switches do not feature positive opening operation.

They normally come with silver-plated contacts, but are also available with gold contacts. Due to an axis of actuation running straight through the entire switching element, it is possible to connect two snap-action switches in series - one on top of the other. Thus two switching operations can be triggered by only one actuation.

Features

- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Positive opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K
- Dimensions according to DIN 41636-6, type F
- Degree of protection IP40, IEC 60529
- High electrical rating due to solid contact bridge
- Contact material: silver or gold-plated silver
- High resistance to shock and vibration
- Magnetic blowout, optional

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 Annex K
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- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Degree of protection IP40 according to IEC 60529
- High electrical rating due to solid contact bridge
- Contact material: hard silver or gold alloy
- High resistance to shock and vibration
- Wiping, self-cleaning contacts

Catalogue **D20.**en

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Specifications

Series >	\$800 l	S804 I	S814
Conventional thermal current I _{th}	10 A	10 A	10 A
Utilization category for silver contacts*	AC-15 230 V / 3 A DC-13 110 V / 1 A	AC-15 230 V / 3 A DC-13 110 V / 1 A	AC-15 230 V / 1 A DC-13 60 V /0.5 A
Rated impulse withstand voltage U _{imp}	4 kV / PD3	4 kV / PD3	2.5 kV / PD3
Degree of protection	IP40	IP40	IP40
Actuating force	3.3 N	3.3 N	3.2 N
Actuator travel	3.2 mm	3.2 mm	2.0 mm
Mechanical endurance	10 million cycles	10 million cycles	10 million cycles
Ambient temperature	-40° C +85°C	-40° C +85° C	-40° C +85° C
Dimensions (L x H x D) in mm	50 x 28 x 12	36 x 30 x 22	36 x 31 x 22
Weight without leads	20 g	25 g	26 g









Switches with positive opening operation and wiping double-

S826 Series switches feature galvanically isolated contact bridges that make it possible to control two separate load circuits with independent voltage levels at the same time. This makes them ideally suited for automation tasks with separate electric loads.

break contacts

The wiping, double-break contacts ensure high reliability even at low electrical loads. Switches with gold contacts are particularly suitable for low currents and voltages.

NEW Series S926

Variant with ruggedized housing made from polyetherimide (PEI)

Thanks to the high-performance thermoplastic used as housing material, S926 Series snap-action switches feature both a better resistance to temperature and chemicals as well as a 50% higher impact resistance compared to polycarbonate (PC).

They are ideally suited for applications characterized by harsh environmental conditions. Sharing the same design as the S826 switches, they can easily replace a standard switch without great effort.

Features

- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Positive opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K
- Dimensions according to DIN 41636-6, type F
- Degree of protection IP40, IEC 60529
- Wiping, double-break contacts
- Form Z SPDT-DB, galvanically isolated
- Contact material: hard silver or gold alloy
- Magnetic blowout, optional

- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Positive opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K
- Dimensions according to DIN 41636-6, type F
- Degree of protection IP40, IEC 60529
- Wiping, double-break contacts
- Form Z SPDT-DB, galvanically isolated
- Contact material: hard silver or gold alloy
- Magnetic blowout, optional

Catalogue **D26.**en

Catalogue **D26.**en

Specifications		
 Series 	S 926	S826
Conventional thermal current \mathbf{I}_{th}	10 A	10 A
Utilization category for silver contacts*	AC-15 230 V / 1 A DC-13 110 V / 0,5 A	AC-15 230 V / 1 A DC-13 110 V / 0.5 A
Rated impulse with stand voltage U_{imp}	4 kV /PD3	4 kV /PD3
Degree of protection	IP40	IP40
Actuating force	3.6 N	3.6 N
Actuator travel	3.2 mm	3.2 mm
Mechanical endurance	10 million cycles	10 million cycles
Ambient temperature	-55° C +105°C**	-40° C +85° C
Dimensions (L x H x D) in mm	50 x 28,5 x 12	50 x 28.5 x 12
Weight without leads	20 40 g	20 40 g









Series S834

Snap-action switches with enhanced current-carrying capacity

S820 switches add a more ruggedised design to the well proven standard snap-action switches with positive opening operation, featuring a current-carrying capacity which is twice as high ($l_{th} = 20 \, \text{A}$). Consequently, the switch should only be used for higher loads.

The S820 Series switch is a Form Z circuitry SPDT-DB. Its two mechanically linked rigid contact bridges are electrically separated. Thus it is especially suited for use in automation applications where the simultaneous handling of two separate load circuits is required.

Enabling switches for manual control units of industrial robots

The S834 enabling switch is typically used in automatic handling machines and robotics. When installed in such devices, the S834 greatly increases safety to the operator in the working area.

During operation of the machine the enabling switch must be held in the working position to maintain closure of the circuit. In case of emergency, the operator merely has to release the pressure on the button for the machine to stop immediately. The same is true for panic reaction, where the increased application of pressure will stop the machine.

Features

- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Positive opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K,
- Dimensions according to DIN 41636-6, type F (miniature switch)
- Degree of protection IP40 according to IEC 60529
- High electrical rating due to rigid contact bridge
- Form Z circuitry SPDT-DB, galvanically isolated
- Contact material: hard silver
- High resistance to shock and vibration
- Long overtravel

- Performance following IEC 60947-5-1
- 3 position switch OFF ON OFF
- Positive opening operation following IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K
- Return to rest position guaranteed even after spring failure
- Long overtravel after positive opening operation
- Degree of protection IP50, IEC 60529
- Wiping, self-cleaning contacts
- Contact material: hard silver

Catalogue **D20.**en

Catalogue **D34.**en

Specifications

Series >	S820 I	S834
Conventional thermal current I _{th}	20 A	2.5 A
Utilization category for silver contacts	AC-15 230 V / 5 A DC-13 110 V / 1 A	DC-12 48 V / 1 A DC-13 48 V / 0.3 A
Rated impulse withstand voltage U _{imp}	4 kV / PD3	1.5 kV / PD1
Degree of protection	IP40	IP50
Actuating force	8.0 N	3 5 N
Actuator travel	4.0 mm	6 mm
Mechanical endurance	2 million cycles	300,000 cycles
Ambient temperature	-40° C +85° C	0°C +55°C
Dimensions (L x H x D) in mm	50 x 45 x 12	16.5 x 22.5 x 10.4
Weight without leads	47 g	4.1 g ± 0.5 g





Single-break snap-action switches with positive opening operation and self-cleaning contacts

S840 Series snap-action switches feature VDE-approved positive opening operation, which guarantees a reliable opening of the NC contact even when welded due to a short-circuit or overload currents. Self-cleaning, wiping contacts ensure high reliability even at low electric loads. The snap mechanism allows for fast and precise switching at a speed essentially independent of actuator speed.

S845 and S846 Series switches are SPST versions with NC and NO contacts respectively.

Snap-action switches with positive opening operation and self-cleaning double-break contacts

Series S847

S847 Series snap-action switches in modular design are available with three degrees of protection according to IEC 60529: IP40 (protected against solid particles), IP60 (dustproof), and IP67 (waterproof).

Due to their self-cleaning double-break contacts as well as protection against dust, moisture and pollutants, S847 series switches are highly reliable even at low contact ratings. The switches are therefore also often used for handling low currents and voltages.

Features

- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Positive opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K
- Dimensions according to DIN 41636-2, type A (miniature switch)
- Degree of protection IP40 according to IEC 60529
- Wiping, self-cleaning contacts
- Contact material: hard silver or gold alloy

- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Positive opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K
- Dimensions according to DIN 41636-6, type F (miniature switch)
- Degree of protection IP40, IP60, IP67 according to IEC 60529
- Self-cleaning, double-break contacts
- Form Z circuitry SPDT-DB, galvanically isolated
- Contact material: Hard silver or gold alloy
- Long overtravel after positive opening operation
- Magnetic blowout, optional

Catalogue **D40.**en

Catalogue **D47.**en

\$840		S847	
6 A		10 A	
AC-15 230 V / 1.5 A 		AC-15 230 V / 1.5 A DC-13 110 V / 1 A	
2.5 kV / PD3	4 kV / PD3	4 kV / PD3	4 kV / PD3
IP40	IP40	IP60	IP67
2.4 N	2.6 N	3 N	3 N
2.5 mm	4.9 mm	4.9 mm	4.9 mm
10 million cycles	10 million	5 million	5 million
-40°C +85°C	-40°C +85°C	-40°C +85°C	-20°C +85°C
30 x 16.5 x 10.3		50 x 36 x 12	
915 g		20 40 g	

Conventional thermal current I_{th}
Utilization category
for silver contacts*

Rated impulse withstand voltage U_{imp}
Degree of protection
Actuating force
Actuator travel
Mechanical endurance
Ambient temperature

Specifications

Dimensions (L x H x D) in mm













NEW Series S970

Snap-action switches with positive opening operation and self-cleaning contacts

Self-cleaning contacts and protection against dust, humidity and polluting agents allow high reliability even at low contact load. In telecommunications and automation the S870 is used for switching low voltages and currents. Its compact dimensions, protection class up to IP67 and special variants, e.g. with pre-assembled cable, make this switch suitable for a wide range of applications.

Variant with ruggedised housing made from polyetherimide (PEI)

Thanks to the high-perfomance thermoplastic used as housing material, S970 Series snap-action switches feature both a higher resistance to temperature and chemicals as well as a 50% higher impact resistance compared to polycarbonate (PC).

They are ideally suited for applications characterized by harsh environmental conditions. Sharing the same design as the S870 Series switches, they can easily replace a standard switch without great effort.

Features

- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Positive opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K
- Dimensions according to DIN 41636-2, type A (miniature switch)
- Degree of protection: contacts IP40, IP60, IP67, terminals IP00, IP20B, IP67 according to IEC 60529
- Wiping, self-cleaning contacts
- Contact material: hard silver or gold alloy
- High resistance to shock and vibration

- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Positive opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K
- Dimensions according to DIN 41636-2, type A (miniature switch)
- Degree of protection: contacts IP40, IP60, IP67, terminals IP00, IP20B, IP67 according to IEC 60529
- Wiping, self-cleaning contacts
- Contact material: hard silver or gold alloy
- High resistance to shock and vibration

Catalogue **D70.**en

Catalogue **D70.**en

Specifications

Series >		S870			S970	
Conventional thermal current I _{th}		10 A			10 A	
Utilization category for silver contacts*		AC-15 230 V / 1.5 A DC-13 60 V / 0.5 A			AC-15 230 V / 1.5 A DC-13 60 V / 0.5 A	
Rated impulse withstand voltage U _{imp}		4 kV / PD3			4 kV /PD3	
Degree of protection	IP40	IP60	IP67	IP40	IP60	IP67
Actuating force	2.4 N	3 N	3 N	2.4 N	3 N	3 N
Actuator travel	3 mm	3 mm	3 mm	3 mm	3 mm	3 mm
Mechanical endurance	10 million	5 million	5 million	10 million	5 million	5 million
Ambient temperature	-40°C +85°C	-40°C +85°C	-20°C +85°C	-55°C +150°C	-55°C +150°C**	-40°C +120°C***
Dimensions (L x H x D) in mm		30 x 16 x 10.5			30 x 16 x 10.5	
Weight without leads		10 g			10 g	







Series S850

The world's smallest snap switch with positive opening operation

Schaltbau subminiature S880 snap-action switches feature wiping, self-cleaning contacts and a positive opening function.

Minimum size in combination with maximum reliability make the V4 snapaction switch ideally suited for a host of applications such as safety limit switch in medical engineering or limit switch for machine, door and system control or in the driver's consoles of locomotives.

Self-cleaning contacts (silver) and IP60/IP67 protection against dust, humidity and pollutants all contribute to the high reliability of the switch, even at low currents.

Snap-action switches with double NC contacts integrate two safety switches in one housing

To meet the safety requirements of the EU Machinery Directive, it will become necessary that the safety-related parts of control systems for machines and plants are designed to be fully redundant.

With the S850 switch Schaltbau offers a favourably priced solution for designers of control systems who want to step up the safety level without the need to invest in additional hardware, installation and programming of equipment.

Typical applications for the S850 are components and systems that require maximum reliability and safety such as door controls in trains, off-track and pull cord switches, cranes and lifts.

Features

- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Positive opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K,
- Dimensions to DIN 41636-3, type B (V4 subminiature switch)
- Degree of protection: contacts IP40, IP60, IP67, terminals IP00, IP67 according to IEC 60529
- Wiping, self-cleaning contacts
- Contact material: hard silver or gold alloy
- Snap mechanism highly resistant to shock and vibration

- Performance according to IEC 60947-5-1
- Positive opening operation, IEC 60947-5-1 Annex K
- Double NC contacts: safety switch featuring two galvanically isolated circuits in one housing. Used for applications complying with ISO 13849-1.
- Dimensions according to DIN 41636-6, type F (miniature switch)
- Degree of protection: contacts IP40, terminals IP20B according to IEC 60529
- Self-cleaning, double-break contacts
- Contact material: hard silver or gold alloy
- Magnetic blowout, optional

Catalogue **D80.**en

Catalogue **D50.**en

Specifications				
Series	S 850		S880	
Conventional thermal current I _{th}	10 A		6 A	
Utilization category for silver contacts*	AC-15 230 V / 1.5 A DC-13 24 V / 1.5 A		AC-15 230 V / 1 A DC-13 60 V / 0.5 A	
Rated impulse withstand voltage U _{imp}	4 kV / PD3		2.5 kV /PD3	
Degree of protection	IP40	IP67	IP60	IP40
Actuating force	1,2 N	2 N	2 N	2 N
Actuator travel	3,2 mm	1.95 mm	1.95 mm	1.95 mm
Mechanical endurance	1.5 million cycles		1.5 million cycles	
Ambient temperature	-55°C +85°C	-20°C +85°C	-40°C +85°C	-40°C +85°C
Dimensions (L x H x D) in mm	50.2 x 38 x 12	19.95 x 14.9 x 6.55	19.95 x 9.3 x 6.55	19.95 x 9.3 x 6.55
Weight without leads	30 g		1.5 g	

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