A Cross Sectional Analysis Of Familial Life And Drug Addiction In Swat Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan

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Abstract

The objective of this research article "A Cross sectional analysis of familial life and drug addiction in swat Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan" is to explore familial factors' contribution to drug addiction and its consequences on other family members in the area. This study is based on a conceptual framework comprising of independent variable familial life, dependent variable effects of drug addiction on other family members and background variables were age, monthly income and educational level. Simple frequency for prevalence, chi square for association, multi-variate for spuriousness along "Kendall T^b " for strength and direction of the association. A high prevalence was found in favor of given statements against drug addiction, highly significant (P = 0.000) and positive ($T^b = 0-1$) except"good relationships with family members and parental separation where ($T^b = -0-1$ " with effects of drugs addiction on other family members along with non-spurious and positiveresults by controlling age, education and monthly income of the respondents were found in the study.

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1. Introduction

The family plays an important role in the shaping of social and psychological behavior. The family has multiple roles such as binding all its members together, fulfilling family needs and helping in resolving familial conflicts and also external as well. Familial ties among members have a strong influence on children in disapproval of drugs. Similarly, loss of connection with parents can lead the young one to be engaged in risky behavior like drug addiction and violence etc. Parents are serving as role models for their children and they imitate parents and instructors. The type of family structure influences the socialization of their members according to Pergamit (2001) those children who are living with single parents are more likely to be addicted to drugs while Malik, Nawaz, et al., (2012) those who are living with their parents for a long time have a long distance from drugs although young's whose parents were addicted were found addicted of substances. The attitudes, values, and actions of children can be influenced powerfully by families. Parents and family members guide youth in their socialization through the desired lines and aspire to ensure compliance with social expectations. It is important to remember that socialization is often not scheduled; children watch what adults say and do. As they are rising, they are prone to follow positive as well as negative patterns adopted by their parents. Those socialized by their parents in bar culture during family gatherings prefer to drink alcohol later in their lives (Gitahi&Mwangi, 2007).

After the completion of primary socialization in the family the children are then influenced by peers largely(Barnes, 1992). Another familial sacred relation is marriage or committed tie which is also influenced by drug misuse and addiction. Some studies regarding drugs and marital bond are; a close spouse, with a drug-use disorder, causes stress and friction in the relationship (Marshall, 2003), substance usage is currently the third major factor to induce divorce (Amato &Previti, 2003), opioid addicted show a higher divorce rate than normal (Moos, Brennano, Fondacaro& Moos, 1990), alcohol is a cause of tension for partners in marital therapies (Halford&Osgarby, 1993) and Collins, Ellickson, & Klein (2007) most of the longitudinal research studies declared that regular use of substance is a predictive indicator of eventual divorce in all age group people. Similarly, couples with both persons who have an alcohol use disorder AUD history could be affected more by women's alcohol problems than their husbands' (Cranford, Floyd, Schulenberg, &Zucker, 2011). Analysis into the assault and alcohol trend of partners in dating, cohabitation, and married couples in group surveys showed that the incidence of men reporting IPVs (Intimate Partner Violence) against women is 24% and the number of women reporting IPV against men is 37% (Caetano et al. 2005). Heavy drinks have been observed regularly, consistently associated with increased male/female IPV prevalence although less empirical evidence confirms the relationship of heavy beverages with women and men, several recent studies have shown that a correlation has been positive (Stuart et al., 2006). According to research from Malik (2003) the major cause of opioid addiction issues accompanied by social stigma and relationship tensions are negative feelings such as frustration, anguish and depression while the continuous supportive familial relationships helpis a single source to help them.

Parental substance use will weaken a child's wellbeing and render children's needs subordinate to a parent's drug dependency (McKeganey, Barnard, & McIntosh, 2002). Children will either mentally or physically be ignored in periods of serious parental drug abuse i.e. lack proper clothing and remain unfed. Similarly, according to Shulman, Shapira, &Hirshfield (2000) 83% of children with opioid use sufferedfrom psychiatric or dietary problems. Family finances may also be wrongly redirected towards drug usage, disinhibited conduct, challenges of having suitable role models for adults (Sims &Iphofen, 2003). Traumatic experiences in adolescence, such as childhood abuse are related to substance use disorder and initiation of early drug use, long-term complications with substance use and lifelong addiction and risky habits (De Bellis, 2002, Ducci et al., 2009, O'Connell et al., 2007; Arria et al., 2012). Teenagers who found their parents to be of strong, intimate, and independent types were less likely to start drugs (O'Byrne et al., 2002; Hyatt et al., and Collins, 2000).

The family is one the basic source of children's socialization and up-bringing; it provides support and continuity to the human race. It protects the weaker members and relieves them from tension and other psychological disorders. Further, the family fosters the social values in young ones during socialization for making them responsible members of society. Rapid technological changes have weakened the family sense of belongingness which has reversed implications for individuals and society. One of these weaknesses is marginalization to drug addiction which is very common today. In light of the discussion above this piece of work is designed under main objective to explore familial factors' contribution to drug addiction and its consequences on other family members. Similarly, a conceptual framework comprises of independent variable familial life, dependent variable effects of drug addiction on other family members and background variables were age, monthly income and educational level were taken as background variables and was further proceeded through devised material and methods as below;

2. Material and methods

The research population consists of all those people who are taking drugs like Cannabis, Cocaine, Heroin, Ice or methamphetamine. According to NawayJwand rehabilitation center there were about 6000 illicit drugs users in district Swat which constituted the population for this study. Simple random sampling techniques have been used for data collection. Asample size of 375 was calculated by Yamane (1973) devised formula at 0.05% confidence level however a pre-tested interview schedule was used for data collection based on independent variable ("familial life", dependent variable "effects of drug addiction on other family members' (EDAFM) and background variables i.e. age, monthly income and educational level. The collected data was been coded and entered to Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) and appropriate statistical tests been carried out for getting desired results at univariate for prevalence, bivariate Chi-Square χ^2 at (P = << \geq 0.05) confidence level for association and (Kendal's Tb± 0-1) for determining strength and direction of the association. Moreover, multivariate analysis wascarried out for spurious and non-spurious relationships at bi variate level. The analyzed data has been tabulated,

interpreted and supported with relevant literature in section results and discussion given below;

3. Results and Discussions

3.1 Frequency and Percentage Distribution of Familial Aspects of Drug Addiction

Family is one the basic units of society. It is based on the marital tie of male and female along with blood and affinal relations. The role of family is very important in shaping the personality of an individual. Family works on all rounds for the fulfillment of economic. social, psychological and biological needs which is based on the division of labor within the family as well as society. In table 3.1, it has been noted that the majority of the respondents i.e. 58 % strongly affirmed that their relationship with family is good, 66% of the respondents agreed with the statement that they are spending less time with family members while 55% of the respondents had communication gaps with others. On asking about more addicts in the family, 39% and 23% were agreed and strongly agreed respectively. As per asked statement about parental negligence and attitudes, 59% and 61% respectively put responsibility on parents, 55% blamed practice of late marriage, 54% blamed faction and feuds, more than 50% are making parental separation responsible while 58% accused the open use of other family member although more than 50% said that none of the family member involved in drug smuggling. The above results are in line with the work Shek (2002) the separation between parents and behavioral issues, Malik and Nawaz (2012) parents and other family members indulge in drugs and Lester (2010) worked that family relation has a strong negative association with substance use.

Table 3.1 Frequency and Percentage Distribution of Familial Aspect of Drug Addiction

Section B8: Familial	Response				Total	
aspects	S.A	Α	N	D	S.D	
Good relationship with	219	94 (25)	14 (4)	39 (10)	9 (3)	375(100)
family members.	(58)					
Spending less time with	63 (17)	247(66)	10 (2)	47 (13)	8 (2)	375(100)
family members.						
Communication gap among	89 (24)	208	14 (4)	56 (15)	8 (2)	375(100)
family members.		(55)				
More addicts in family.	85 (23)	145	9 (2)	102(27)	34(9)	375(100)
		(39)				
Parent's negligence and drug	66 (18)	222	17 (5)	61 (16)	9 (2)	375(100)
addiction.		(59)				
Unfavorable parental	55 (15)	228	13 (3)	65 (17)	14 (4)	375(100)
attitudes and use of drugs.		(61)				
Late marriage practice and	51 (14)	207	13 (3)	85 (23)	19 (5)	375(100)
drug addiction.		(55)				

Faction and feuds in the	63 (17)	203	16 (4)	69 (18)	24 (7)	375(100)
family and drug addiction.		(54)				
Parental separation is the	35 (9)	159	18 (5)	102(27)	61(16)	375(100)
cause of addiction.		(43)				
The open use of drugs by	43 (11)	216	8 (2)	77 (21)	31(8)	375(100)
other family members causes		(58)				
drug addiction.						
Involvement of family	23 (6)	136	8 (2)	134(36)	74(20)	375(100)
members in drug smuggling.		(36)				

Values in each cell indicate frequency and parenthesis value show percentages. S.A, A, N, D and S.D represent strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree and strongly disagree respectively.

3.2Association of Familial Aspect with Effects of Drug Addiction on other Family Members

Familial issues mess up the ongoing functionality of family and society as well. The following table 3.2 is based on the association of various familial issues with EDAFM. The table exposed that good relationship among family members was highly significant (P = 0.000) and its direction and strength was as $(T^b = -0.235)$ while spending less time with family members was highly significant (P = 0.000) and had a weak positive relation as indicated by (Tb = 0.201). Furthermore, communication gap, more addicts in family, parental negligence and unfavorable parental attitudes had a highly significant association (P = 0.000) with positive direction and strength i.e. (T^b = 0.410), weak negative (T^b = 0.090), positive ($T^b = 0.483$) and positive ($T^b = 0.508$) respectively with EDAFM. Similarly, the association of late marriages practice and faction and feuds were also found highly significant (P = 0.000) in positive direction with a strength as shown by values ($T^b = 0.511$) and ($T^b = 0.423$) whereas parental separation was found highly significant (P = 0.000) but in negative direction (Tb = -0.235). The use of drugs by other family members was highly significant (P = 0.000) with weak positive (T^b = 0.302) while the involvement in drug smuggling was highly significant (P = 0.000) with a weak positive direction as indicated by (Tb = 0.231) Family plays an important role in the shaping of social and psychological behavior. Family protects its members from all such problems and serves as role models for children. The family structure and type also affects the children's socialization. According to Amato (1991) findings; children of divorced families have more chances for drug addiction; Pergamit (2001) findings reported that those children who are not living with two parents are more likely to be addicted to drugs, Shek (2002) report stated that loss of connection with parents can lead the young one to be engaged in risky behavior and parental negligence is a pull force in puberty and adulthood for substance and alcohol dependence. Boyd and Holmes (2002) have researched that women are taking drugs in parallel to their family members while Orford et al. (2001) found that substance abuse is a cause of familial conflict because each member in the family tries to stop it.

Table 3.2 Association of Familial Aspects with Effects of Drug Addiction on other Family Members

Statements	Respons	Familial Issues			Total	Statistics
	ė	More effects	Moderate effects	Less effects		χ² , P & Tb
Good	S.A	202 (54)	12 (4)	5 (1)	219(58)	$\chi^2 = 107.491$
relationship	A	49 (13)	19 (5)	26 (7)	94 (25)	P =0.000
with family	N	4 (1)	5 (2)	5 (2)	14 (4)	T^{b} =-0.235
members.	D	36 (10)	3 (1)	0 (0.0)	39 (10)	
	S.D	5 (2)	4 (1)	0 (.0)	9 (2)	
Spending less	S.A	46 (13)	13 (3)	4 (2)	63 (16)	$\chi^2 = 33.598$
time with family members.	A	209 (56)	21 (5)	16 (5)	246 (65)	P =0.000 Tb=0.201
	N	6 (2)	1 (.3)	3 (1)	10 (3)	0.201
	D	27 (8)	8 (2)	12 (3)	47 (12)	
	S.D	7 (3)	0 (.0)	1 (.3)	8 (2)	
Communication	S.A	77 (20)	10 (3)	2 (1)	89 (23)	$\chi^2 = 146.415$
gap among family members.	A	190 (50)	11 (3)	7 (2)	208 (55)	P =0.000 Tb=0.410
	N	5 (2)	8 (2)	1 (1)	14 (3)	1°-0.410
	D	19 (5)	12 (3)	25 (7)	56 (15)	
	S.D	5 (2)	2 (.5)	1 (.3)	8 (2)	
More addicts in	S.A	75 (20)	10 (3)	0 (0.0)	85 (22)	$\chi^2 = 25.925$
family.	A	117 (31)	10 (2)	18 (5)	145 (38)	P =0.000
	N	5 (2)	3 (1)	1 (.3)	9 (3)	Tb=0.090
	D	79 (22)	12 (3)	11 (3)	102 (27)	1 -0.090
	S.D	20 (5)	8 (2)	6 (2)	34 (9)	
Parent's	S.A	54 (14)	12 (4)	0 (0.0)	66 (17)	$\chi^2 = 150.805$
negligence and drug addiction.	A	209 (55)	7 (2)	6 (2)	222 (59)	P =0.000 Tb=0.483
	N	4 (1)	9 (3)	4 (1)	17 (4)	1 -0.405
	D	26 (8)	12 (3)	23 (6)	61 (16)	
	S.D	3 (1)	3 (1)	3 (1)	9 (3)	
Unfavorable	S.A	45 (12)	9 (3)	1 (.3)	55 (14)	$\chi^2 = 150.547$
parental attitudes and	A	215 (57)	10 (3)	3 (1)	228 (60)	P =0.000

use of drugs.	N	7 (2)	5(2)	1 (.3)	13 (3)	Tb=0.508
	D	25 (7)	14 (4)	26 (7)	65 (17)	
	S.D	4 (.7)	5 (1)	5 (1)	14 (3)	
Late marriage	S.A	46 (12)	5 (2)	0 (0.0)	51 (13)	$\chi^2 = 189.570$
practice and	A	201 (54)	6 (2)	0 (0.0)	207(55)	P = 0.000
drug addiction.	N	1 (.3)	10 (2)	2 (.5)	13 (4)	Tb=0.511
	D	36 (10)	20 (5)	29 (8)	85 (22)	
	S.D	12 (3.2)	2 (0.5)	5 (1.3)	19 (5.1)	
Faction and	S.A	54 (14)	9 (3)	0 (.0)	63 (16)	$\chi^2 = 126.100$
feuds in the family and drug	A	190 (50.7)	9 (2.4)	3 (0.8)	202 (53.9)	P =0.000 Tb=0.423
addiction.	N	6 (2)	7 (2)	3 (1)	16 (4)	1~-0.425
	D	30 (8)	14 (4)	25 (7)	69 (18)	
	S.D	15 (4.0)	4 (1.1)	5 (1.3)	24 (6.4)	
Parental	S.A	30 (8)	5 (1)	0 (0.0)	35 (9)	$\chi^2 = 88.933$
separation is the cause of	A	151 (40)	7 (2)	1 (.3)	159 (42)	P =0.000 Tb=-0.235
addiction.	N	8 (3)	9 (2)	1 (1)	18 (4)	1 0.200
	D	61 (17)	15 (4)	26 (7)	102 (27)	
	S.D	46 (12)	7 (2)	8 (2)	61 (16)	
The open use of	S.A	46 (12)	13 (3)	4(2)	63 (17)	$\chi^2 = 57.619$
drugs by other	A	209 (55)	21 (6)	16 (4)	246	P = 0.000
family members	11	207 (33)	21 (0)	10 (4)	(65)	$T^{b}=0.302$
causes drug addiction.	N	6 (2)	1 (.3)	3 (1)	10 (2)	
addiction.	D	27 (7)	8 (3)	12 (3)	47 (12)	
	S.D	1 (.3)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (.3)	
Involvement of	S.A	77 (21)	10 (3)	2 (1)	89 (23)	$\chi^2 = 43.939$
family members in drug	A	190 (51)	11 (3)	7 (2)	208 (55)	P = 0.000 $T^{b} = 0.231$
smuggling.	N	5 (2)	8 (2)	1 (.3)	14 (4)	
	D	19 (5)	12 (3)	25 (7)	56 (15)	
	S.D	5 (2)	2 (.5)	1 (.3)	8 (3)	

Values in each cell indicate frequency and parenthesis value show percentages. S.A, A, N, D and S.D represent strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree and strongly disagree respectively. In the last column chi square a significance at 0.05% confidence and \pm 0-1 strength and direction.

3.3 Association of familial aspects with effects of drug addiction on other family members (Controlling age of the respondents)

Table 3.3 showed a highly significant (P=0.000) and positive ($T^b=0.378$) association between familial issues and EDAFM by controlling the age of the respondents. Moreover, the association was highly significant (P=0.000) and strong negative ($T^b=-0.078$) in age group 08-16 years, highly significant (P=0.000) and strong positive ($T^b=0.550$) in age group 17-24 year, highly significant (P=0.000) and strong positive ($T^b=0.689$) in age group 25-32 years, significant (P=0.000) and positive ($T^b=0.485$) in age group 33-40 years while a highly significant (P=0.000) and strong positive (0.740) for the age group above 40 years. A non-spurious relationship for age groups 08-16, 17-24 and above 40 while a spurious relation for age group 33-40 on the base of significance level was found. The result declared a non-spurious relationship of above-mentioned variables. According to Foo and Tam (2012) stress and depression from different sources such as family and academics pushes a child to try drugs while Freisthler, Johnson-Motoyama&Kepple (2014) found that low parental control on children is highly associated with substance taking. Similarly, Suchman et al., (2013) reported that parental negligence indulges children in drugs.

Table 3.3 Association of Familial Aspects with Effects of Drug Addiction on other Family Members (Controlling age of the respondents)

Controlling variable	Independent variable	Dependent variable	Statistics
(Age)			χ ² P & T ^b
08-16	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 0.206$ P= 0.000 T ^b =078
17-24	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 45.613 \text{ P} = 0.000 \text{ T}^b = 0.550$
25-32	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 65.095 \text{ P} = 0.000 \text{ T}^b = 0.689$
33-40	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 12.193$ P=0.002 Tb=0.485
Above-40	Familial aspects	EDAFM	χ² =14 .243 P=0.000 Tb=0.740
Total	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 139.887 \text{ P} = 0.000 \text{ T}^b = 0.378$

Chi square, and P values show significance at 0.05% confidence level while Tb = \pm 0-1 show strength and direction

3.4 Association of Familial Aspects with Effects of Drug Addiction on other Family Members (Controlling education of the respondents)

The Table 3.4 displayed a highly significant (P = 0.000) and positive (Tb = 0.583) association between familial aspects and EDAFM by controlling education of the respondents. Similarly, the association was highly significant (P = 0.000) and positive (Tb = 0.593) in illiterates, highly significant (P = 0.000) and positive (Tb = 0.404) at primary

level, highly significant (P = 0.000) and positive (Tb = 0.456) at middle level, highly significant (P = 0.000) and positive (Tb = 0.565) at high level, significant (P = 0.003) and positive (Tb = 0.525) at secondary level, significant (P = 0.001) and strong positive (Tb = 0.651) at bachelor level. In addition to this, non-significant (P = 0.157) and strongest positive (Tb = 1.000) for M. Phil The result showed an overall non spurious relationship for illiterate, primary, middle, and high while having a spurious relationship for M.Phil level. According to Zimic andJakic (2012) family is one of the fundamental institutions which exert a continuous influence on its members therefore persons who are taking drugs are influencing other family members in such a way that they know little about the negative impacts of drugs and its related social issues such as stigmatization of family, emotional disturbance and violence in family. Similarly, according to the results Choi (2005) franked the familial environment to avoid drug addiction while Ko (2008) said that low parental support, weak familial relations and low resources are some factors which support conflicts and drug abuse in youths.

Table 3.4 Association of Familial Aspects with Effects of Drug Addiction on other Family Members (Controlling education of the respondents)

Controlling variable	Independent variable	Dependent variable	Statistics χ^2 P & T ^b
(Education)	variable	variable	x P & 15
Illiterate	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 38.029 \text{ P} = 0.000 \text{ T}^b =$
			0.593
Primary	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 30.630 \text{ P} = 0.000 \text{ T}^b = 0.404$
Middle	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 17.969 \text{ P} = 0.000 \text{ T}^b = 0.456$
High	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 16.737 \text{ P} = 0.000 \text{ T}^{\text{b}} =$
			0.565
Secondary	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 11.789 \text{ P} = 0.003 \text{ T}^b =$
			0.525
Bachelor	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 14.235 \text{ P} = 0.001 \text{ T}^b =$
			0.651
M.Phil	Familial aspects	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 2.000 \text{ P} = 0.157 \text{ T}^b = 1.000$
Total	Familial aspects	EDAFM	χ² =139.887 P=0.000 Tb=0.583

Chi square, and P values show significance at 0.05% confidence level while Tb = \pm 0-1 show strength and direction.

3.5 Association of Familial issues with Effects of Drug Addiction on other Family Members (Controlling monthly income of the respondents)

A highly significant (P = 0.000) and strong positive ($T^b = 0.583$) association between familial issues and EDAFM by controlling income level of the respondents in table 3.5.

Along with this, the association was highly significant (P = 0.000) and positive ($T^b = 0.535$) for income PKR 10,000-21,000, highly significant (P = 0.000) strong positive ($T^b = 0.555$) for PKR 21000-31000, highly significant (P = 0.000) and strong positive ($T^b = 0.670$) for income level PKR 31000-40000 while significant (P = 0.001) and positive ($T^b = 0.587$) for income level PKR above 40,000. The result showed an overall non-spurious relationship for all income levels PKRs 10000-21000, 21000-31000, 31000-40000 and above-40000. According to Child Welfare Information Gateway (CWIG, 2011) Child maltreatment is defined as any act that results from physical and emotional harm to children which affect children in terms of drug abuse while Wall (2007) argued that it involves children in drugs in some way or other. Ford (2010) found that familial conflict in low income families most often remain unreported while Dodson (2013) pointed that low income workers are easily replaced in workplaces which puts a lot of stress and strain on workers and lead them to take drugs.

Table 3.5 Association of familial issues with effects of drug addiction on other family members (Controlling monthly income of the respondents

Controlling variable (Monthly income)	Independent variable	Dependent variable	Statistics x² P & Tb	
(Monthly income)	variable	variable	λ P& I ⁰	
10,000-21,000	Familial issues	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 28.845$ P= 0.000	
			Tb=0.535	
21,000-31,000	Familial issues	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 77.834$ P= 0.000	
			Tb=0.555	
31,000-40,000	Familial issues	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 23.833$ P= 0.000	
			T^{b} =0.670	
Above 40,000	Familial issues	EDAFM	$\chi^2 = 14.074$ P= 0.001	
			Tb=0.587	
Total	Familial issues	EDAFM	χ² =139.887 P=0.000	
			Tb=0.583	

Chi square, and P values show significance at 0.05% confidence level while Tb = \pm 0-1 show strength and direction

4. Conclusion and Recommendations

The piece of work portrayed the gloomy scenario of disorder and chaos in the structure and function of family. The study found that due to harsh parental attitudes, the communication gap among family members, especially siblings, moves their attention towards anti-social activities which is one of the major contributing factors in drug addiction. Similarly, keeping in view the joint family system of the area; bad relationship, spending less time, communication gap, parental negligence, hard attitudes, faction and feuds, parental separation and smuggling are the various effects of drug addiction which

are being felt in those families where at least one addict exists. Moreover, these effects are varying in various age, educational level and income groups. In light of aforementioned results and discussion the state, society, family and religious leaders should to pave ways to healthy recreation, employment opportunities for drug addicts with special courses in educational institutions against drugs however a comprehensive punishment and reward system to discourage drug use along with voluntary associations/ organizations to rehabilitate those who are addicts to menace burden on those families who are the victims due to any member involvement in drugs.

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