



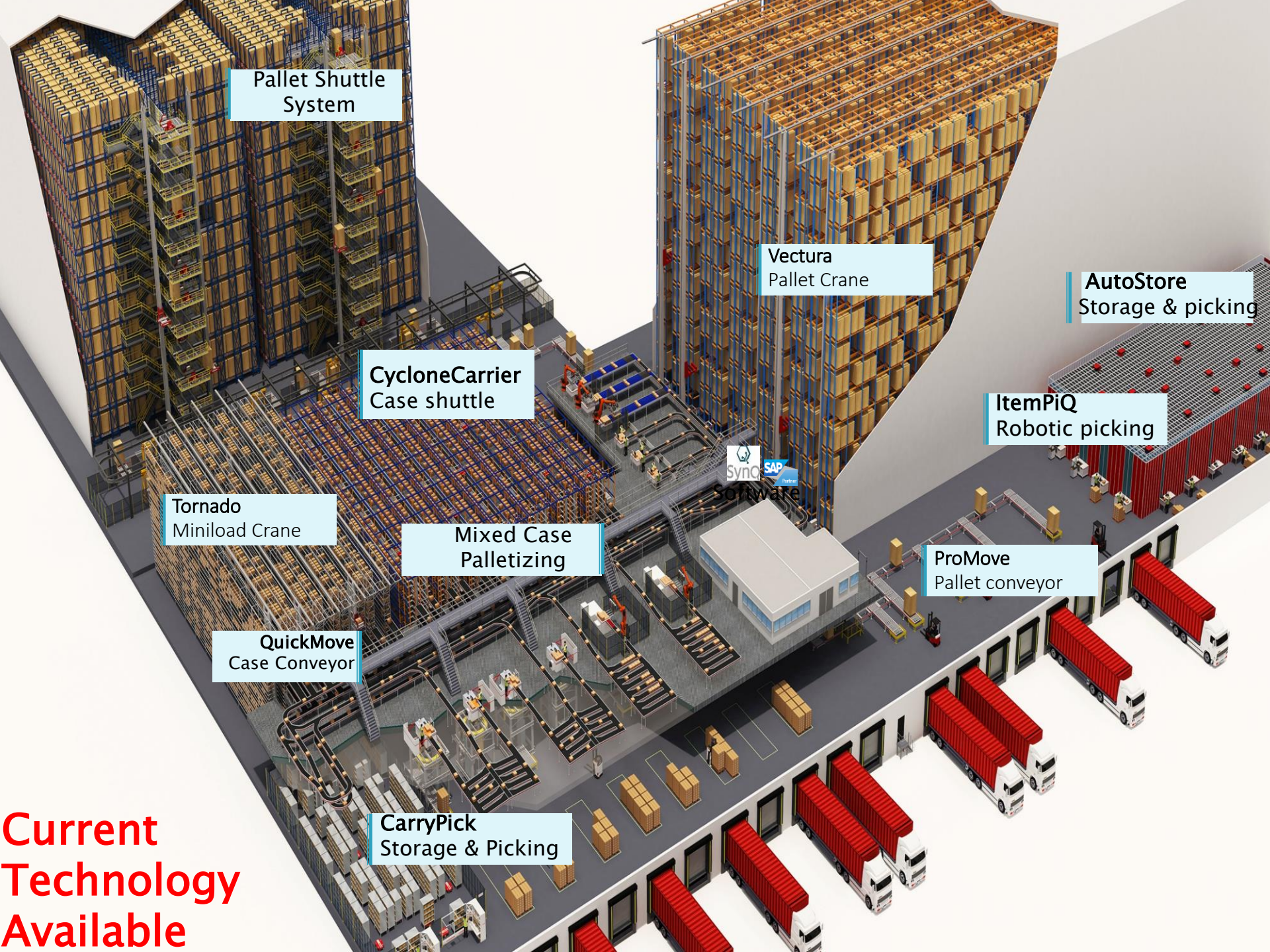
**National Center for Supply Chain Automation**

RESOURCES FOR EDUCATION & INDUSTRY

**SCA**

**Next Generation Workforce Certification:  
Innovative Tools for Educating and  
Upskilling Supply Chain Automation  
Technicians**

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Pallet Shuttle System

Vectura Pallet Crane

AutoStore Storage & picking

CycloneCarrier Case shuttle

ItemPiQ Robotic picking

Tornado Miniload Crane

Mixed Case Palletizing



QuickMove Case Conveyor

ProMove Pallet conveyor

CarryPick Storage & Picking

Current Technology Available

# NCSCA Overview (SCA)

- ▶ NSF Funded
- ▶ Focus–Technician Education
- ▶ Resource Development
- ▶ Industry Guided & Driven
- ▶ No User Cost–Grant Funded
- ▶ No Student Education



# MISSION & OBJECTIVES

The goal of the National Center for Supply Chain Automation is to **increase the supply of highly qualified supply chain automation technicians** to meet the growing national need across the private and public supply chains

1

Implement model 2+2 supply chain automation career pathways through high school and community college partnerships nationally to meet the need for educated technicians.

2

Convene supply chain automation stakeholders via a National Symposium event to enhance collaboration and deliver professional development.

3

Disseminate information and product deliverables to audiences that include secondary and post-secondary educators, industry and current and potential Supply Chain Technicians.

4

Establish and promote stackable national industry certifications in Supply Chain Automation, which are validated and recognized by industry.

# Original Partner Colleges



## Norco Community College

2001 Third Street  
Norco, CA 92860  
951.739.7880



## Tacoma Community College

6501 South 19th Street  
Tacoma, WA 98466  
253.566.5253



## Sinclair Community College

444 West Third Street  
Dayton, OH 45402-1460  
937.512.2759



## Oakton Community College

1600 East Golf Road  
Des Plaines, IL 60016  
847.635.1975



## Jefferson Community & Technical College

1000 Community College Drive  
Louisville, KY 40272  
502.213.7280

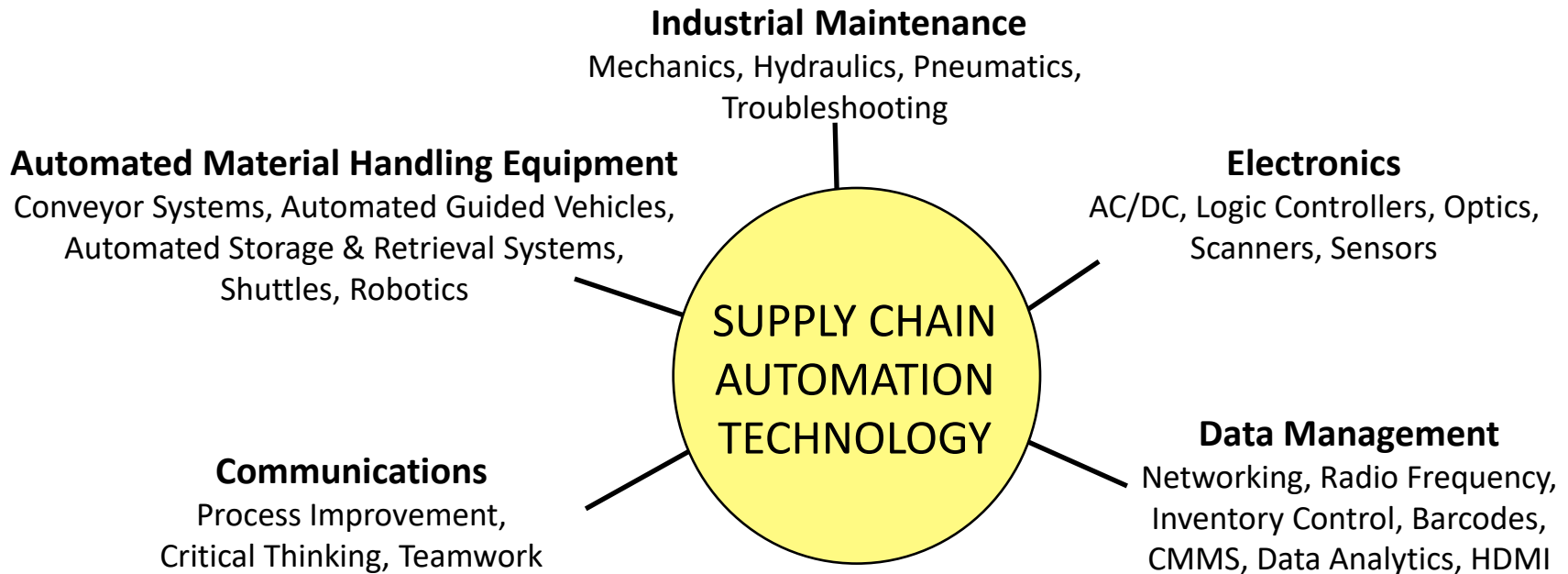
# Initial Advisory Team Members



# INDUSTRY OCCUPATIONAL DEFINITION OF SUPPLY CHAIN AUTOMATION TECHNICIAN

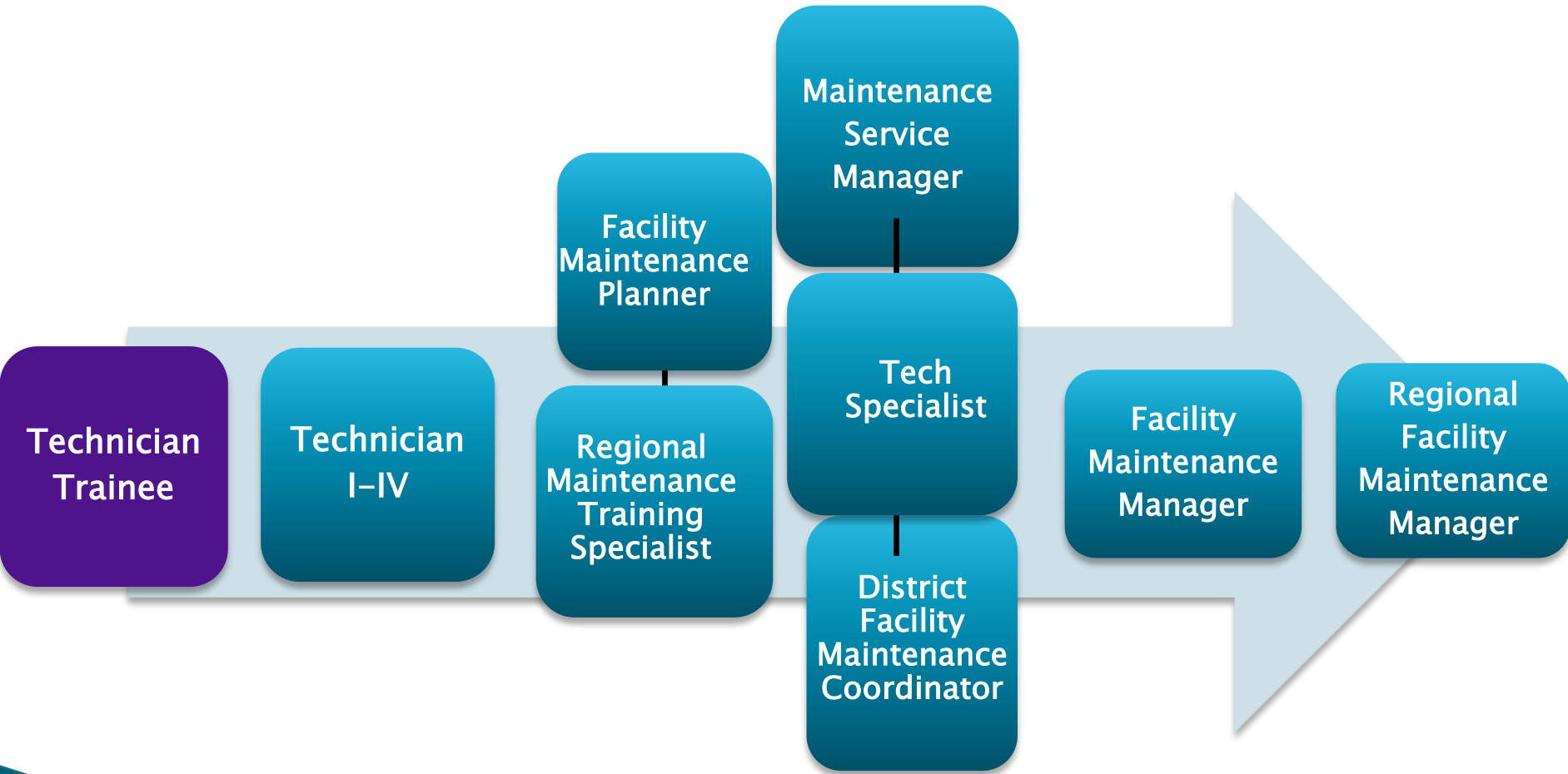
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***A person who installs, maintains, supports, operates or upgrades the automated material handling equipment and systems which support the supply chain.***



# Organic Career Growth Opportunities

Automation Operations →

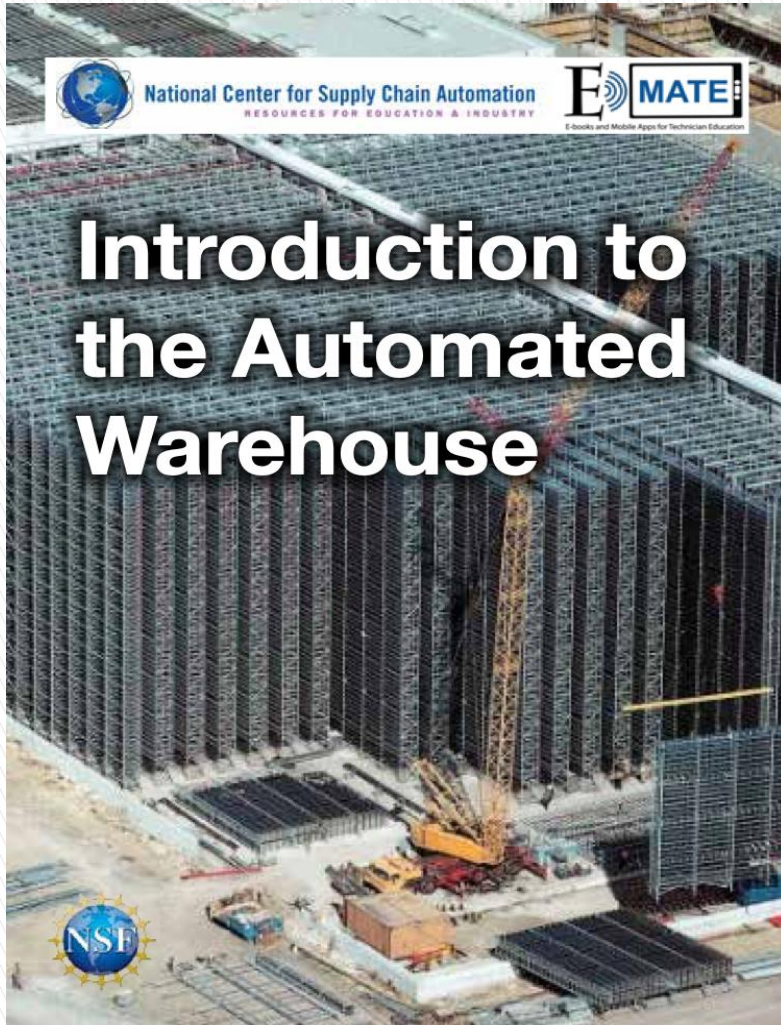


Engineering (Maintenance, Systems, Projects) →



Available in iBook and PDF

Download PDF by Chapter



## Survey Course– HS or CC

Career Awareness Resource

### Interactive Widgets

- Puzzles
- Games
- Videos

### Instructor's Manual

- Sample syllabi
- Textbook solutions
- Laboratory exercises

<https://supplychainautomation.com/resources/etextbook/>



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# Ecommerce Driving Logistics Automation



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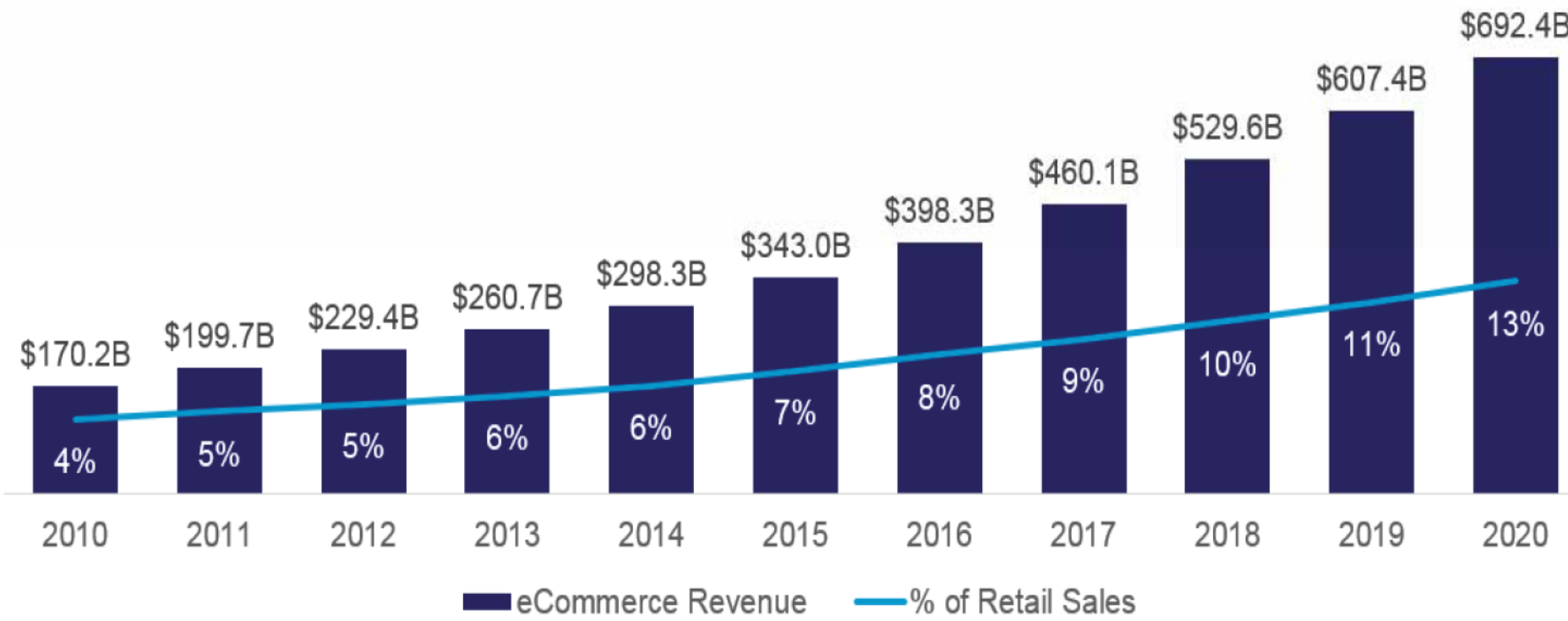


**Number of parcels shipped world-wide per second in 2019**  
**103 Billion total items shipped** *Source: Pitney Bowes*



# eCommerce is the fastest growing segment of the retail sector, and as such B2C shipping has accounted for over half of shipping volume since 2014.

**US eCommerce Revenue**  
\$Billions, % of Retail Sales



## Trends Driving Online Sales Growth

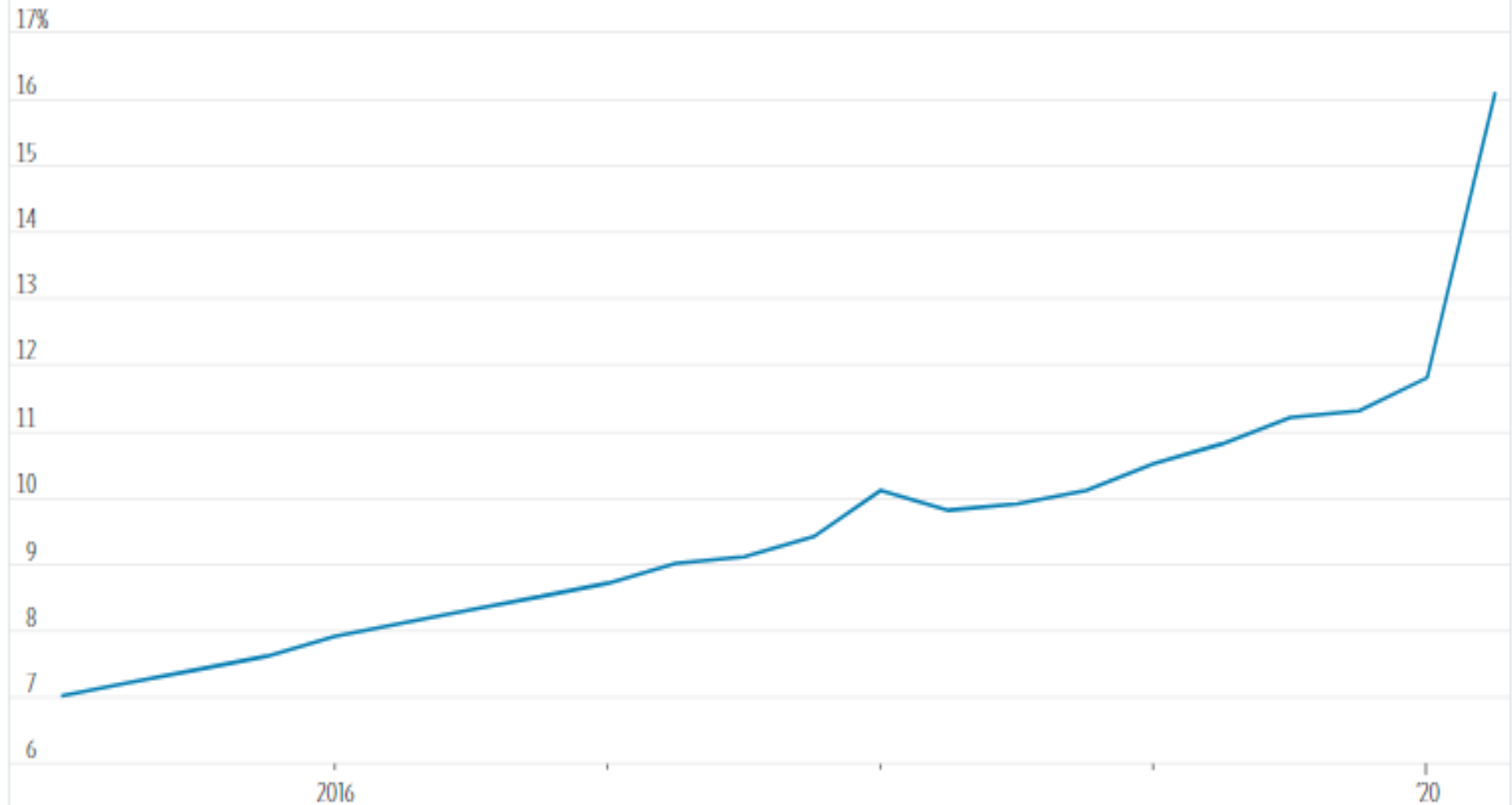
- Increased returns
- Online grocery
- Online / mail-order prescriptions
- Ship-from-store growth
- Increased demand for small parts
- Increased B2B healthcare shipments

# E-com % Total US Retail Sales

## 2020 Q2 16.1% = 46% YOY Growth

### Shopping Online

Quarterly U.S. e-commerce sales as a share of retail sales, seasonally adjusted.



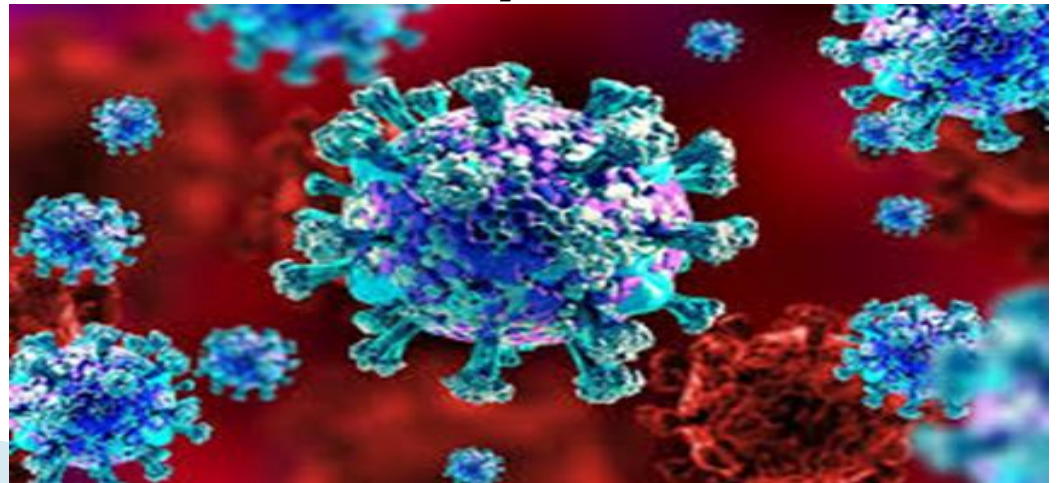
# COVID Accelerates Ecom Tusanmi

**UBS: ...25% of all U.S. retails spending will be online by 2025, a trend expected to force 100,000 physical stores to close...**

**Shopify: ...Covid-19 has pushed e-commerce growth forward by 10 years**

**The International Council of Shopping Centers estimates that e-commerce holiday sales will jump 25% this year.**

**Source: Wall Street Journal**



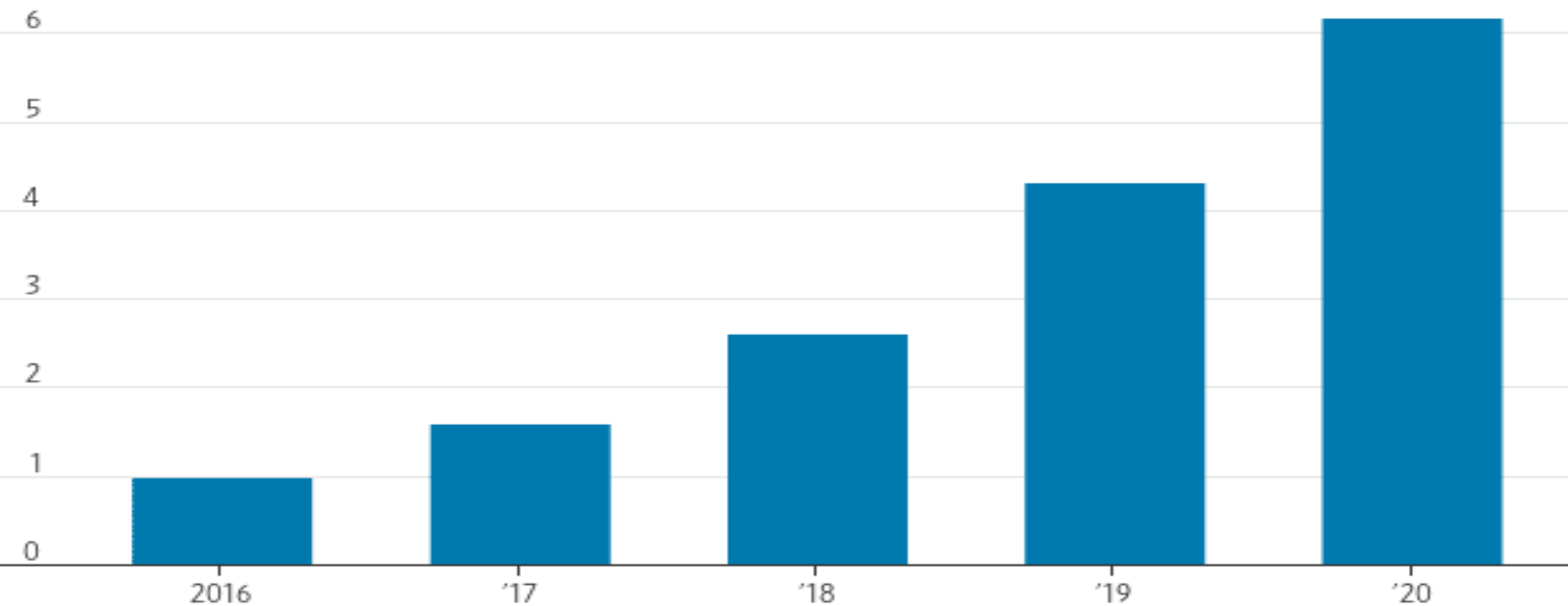
# Prime Day 36% Annual Increase

## Prime Shopping

Amazon brought an early start to the holiday shopping season with Prime Day

## Amazon U.S. Prime Day sales

\$7 billion



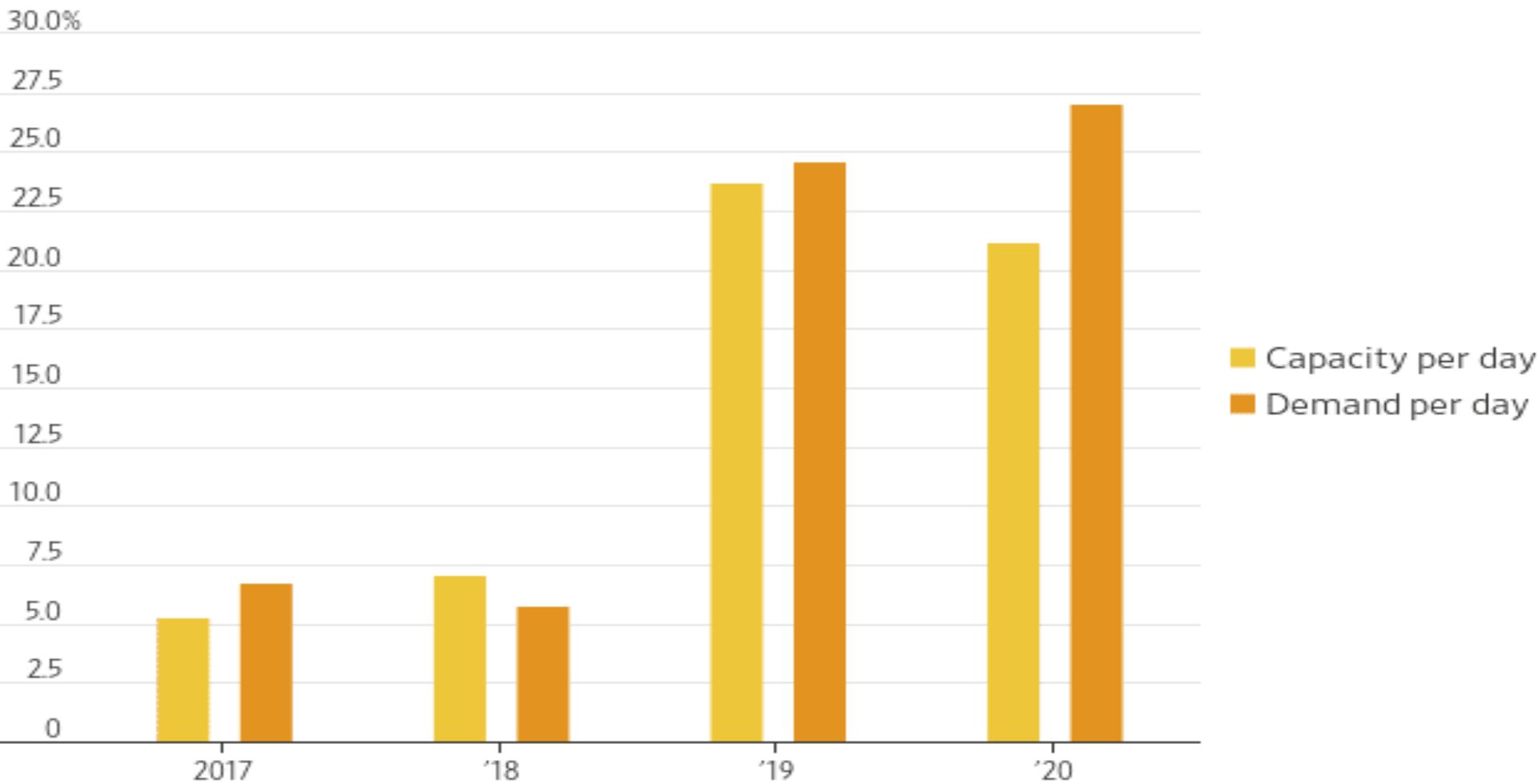
Note: Figures are estimates as Amazon doesn't release Prime Day sales data

Source: eMarketer

# FCM Change: 2020 Holiday Season

## Daily Demand=86.3M Packages- US Capacity=79.1M

Estimated package delivery capacity and demand, change from previous year



Note: 2020 capacity is based on FedEx Ground expanding delivery to 7 days a week and ShipMatrix's projection that UPS will do the same this peak season.

Source: ShipMatrix

# HOW MUCH EXTRA WAREHOUSE SPACE DEMAND DOES E-COMMERCE GENERATE?



**175M SQ FT Needed Annually**

**Trend= Accelerating Need for Skilled Technicians**

**Source: CBRE**



# SCA's Certification Development Role

- ▶ Research– Gap Identified
- ▶ MOU– MSSC & MHI
- ▶ Convened ILT Focus Groups
- ▶ CG Retailers, Package Shippers
- ▶ Automated Systems Suppliers



# Cert Development Continued

- ▶ Industry Research to MSSC
- ▶ ILT: Validation, SBL design
- ▶ E-Learning Review
- ▶ Future: Raise Awareness







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## *Need SCA Industry Grant Application Data?*

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