

**SMART  
SENSOR®**

Model: AR600E

**Ultrasonic Cable Height Meter  
Instruction Manual**



Version Number: SZ940-0

## Preface

- Thank you for purchasing **SMART SENSOR** ultrasonic cable height meter.
- This manual provides relative information on how to use the unit and measurement functions of it as well as warnings on its use.
- To make the best use of this product's functions, read this manual thoroughly before use. Please keep this manual handy for ease of reference.
- Please be sure to do some test measurement to make sure it is performing properly before using it for real.

## Maintenance & warranty

- 1). Maintenance:
  - a>. Protect the unit from shock and vibration.
  - b>. Do not store or use the unit in following locations where the unit may be subject to:
    - Splashes of water or high levels of dust.
    - Air with high salt or sulphur content or other gases.
    - High temperature or humidity or direct sunlight.
  - c>. Clean the unit lightly as needed with little clean water.
- 2). Warranty:
  - a>. About relative warranties please read provided warranty card.
  - b>. This product has a two-year warranty period from your purchasing date. If your product appears any fault out of this warranty period, please contact your dealer or agent for product servicing and after-sales service which will cost corresponding expense.
  - c>. We disclaim any liability due to: transportation damages; incorrect use or operation; manipulation, alterations or repair attempts; without warranty card, invoice.

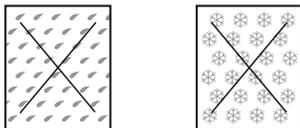
### Special Declarations:

The product design and the manual updating, repairing by technician authorized by us, do not try any alternations or repair attempts.



## Note items

- Theoretically, the measuring range of this product is up to 23m under 20°C~25°C, which using ultrasonic reflection to measure distance. But real measuring range is varying with atmosphere temperature that will not affect measuring accuracy. The lower the atmosphere temperature, the wider the range. For example: in atmosphere temperature of 0°C, the range increased by 12%, in 35°C, the range decreased by 10%.
- Elevation height will not bring about influence on operation accuracy of the unit, but the unit can't be used in the rainy or snow, since the raindrop or snowflake will produce mistake echo signal. If rain water enters the unit, should set it upside down to dry the ultrasonic cone, rain water will not damage unit, but will interference the produce of high quality sound beam. The unit can be used in fog, because fog is good deliver media of sound wave.



- The unit shows a reading from more than 3 meters, 3 meters below is a blind area with a showing symbol “”, this unit has intended to design so, which in order to prevent mistake reading from personnel or object interference.
- Whether the cable wires take electricity or not will not influence measured value.

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# 1. Need To Know Before Use

## Check-up

Carefully unpack your kit and ensure that you have the following items when you decide to purchase this product. In the event that any item is missing or if you find any mismatch or damage, promptly contact your dealer.

- The host-----1PCS
- 9V alkaline battery-----1PCS
- Chinese instruction manual-----1PCS
- English instruction manual----- 1PCS
- Warranty card-----1PCS
- Accessory bracket (horizontal distance measurement only) -----1PCS
- Pouch -----1PCS
- PP packing box -----1PCS

## Familiar trouble shooting

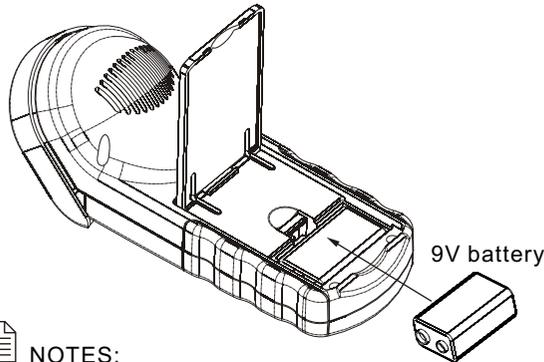
The following is a list of actions to be taken if the unit is not working properly:

- 1). Screen is Blank:  
Check the battery is inserted correctly.  
Open the battery door on the bottom rear of the unit.  
The “+” and “-” symbols on the battery should match the corresponding “+” and “-” symbols on the inside of the battery compartment.
- 2). Unit does not measure all wires:  
<1>. Ensure that horizontal distances between wires are within the sonic beam.  
<2>. Check if the unit measuring head is parallel with the reflecting surface of the object to be measured.
- 3). Incorrect readings:  
<1>. Ensure the measurement mode switch is in the correct position, “MEL” for cable height measurement, and “CAL” for horizontal distance to object measurement.  
<2>. Ensure no walls or similar obstructions are within 2 meters either side of the unit as reflections from these can interfere with correct operation. Ensure the temperature reading has stabilized.

### 3. Other Items

#### Low battery alarm and replacement of battery

- 1). While using the unit, if battery voltage is lower than  $7.2V \pm 0.2V$ , in the LCD display will be shown as a symbol “”, that indicates the unit is in low battery and can not work properly, please replace the battery at once.
- 2). Replacement of battery:  
uncover the unit back plank, open the battery door, take out the old 9V battery, make change new battery. (Notice the battery polarity), then close the battery door, shown as following figure:



#### NOTES:

- Remove the battery from the unit if it is not required for extended periods of time in order to avoid damage to the battery life from a leaking battery.
- Dispose of battery should in accordance with local laws and regulations.

### Introduction

This product adopts ultrasonic principle to take measurement of cable height. When taking measurement, the unit transmits an ultrasonic signal by a  $15^\circ$  angle to towards the wires and measuring the time it takes to pick up the echo from the signal.

This unit takes conveniently, operates easily, circuit maintainer can make measurement of cable height and wire to wire distance at anytime anywhere, which not need to get in touch with electric (communicating) high cable.

### Features and Functions

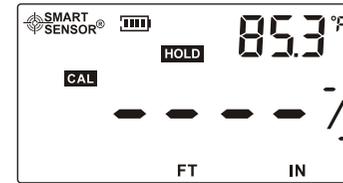
- For measuring the height up to 6 cables together.
- Convenient to take measurement, easy to aim at the measuring position and to read measuring results.
- For measuring the distance between wire and wire.
- Be applicable to different use of cables.
- Uses large measuring sensor, higher accuracy than existing cable heightmeter in market.
- Compact and easy to take along.
- For measuring dimension of house and distance between objects.
- The temperature compensation function enables the unit compensates error automatically under the temperature of  $-10^\circ\text{C}+40^\circ\text{C}$ , and ensures the measuring accuracy on different temperature conditions.

## Product Specifications

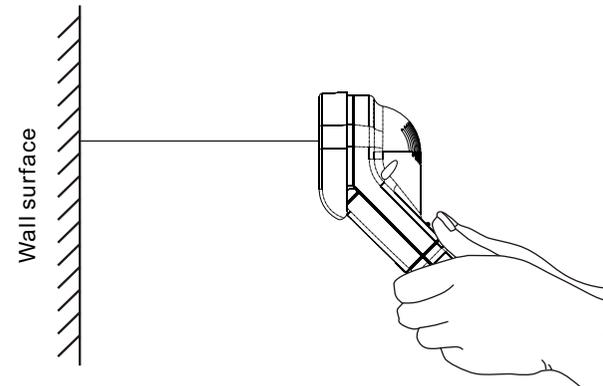
Technical parameter	Technical specifications
Range (25mm cable min)	3~23m
Range (12mm cable min)	3~15m
Range (5.5mm cable min)	3~12m
Range (2.5mm cable min)	3~10m
Horizontal measuring range	3~18m
Operating temperature range	-10°C~40°C
Resolution (range<10m)	5mm
Resolution (range>10m)	10mm
Measuring accuracy	0.5%±2d
Minimum gap between wires	150mm
BOT mode: measuring the height of the most lower 6 cables	✓
TOP mode: measuring the height of the most higher 6 cables	✓
Auto power off delay	120S
Low battery alarm	7.2V±0.2V
Imperial & metric unit transition	✓
Displays real time temperature.	✓
Operating voltage	9V 6F22
Dimension	75x72x200mm
Weight	205g(excluding battery)
Battery life	20H(continuous use)

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Imperial unit  
LCD display:



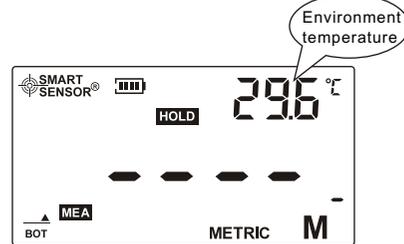
- 5). Align the unit head to the object to be measured, press the “MEASURE” key then release to get and display the measured result, if still showing “-----”, that means the unit did not receive echosignal from the object, needing a check if the plastic surface of the sensor is parallel with the reflecting surface of the object to be measured, or have already exceed the measuring range of the unit. Shown as following figure:



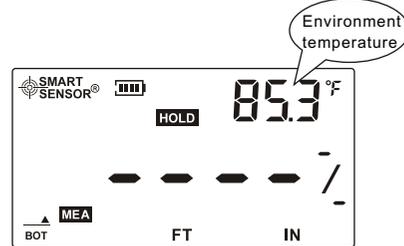
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- 3). Press the “” key to power on, temperature reading shown on upper right of the LCD display will automatically adjust to be according with ambient, shown as following figures:

Metric unit LCD display:

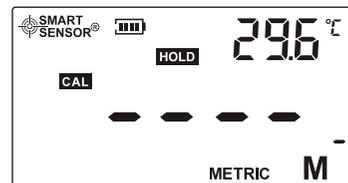


Imperial unit LCD display:

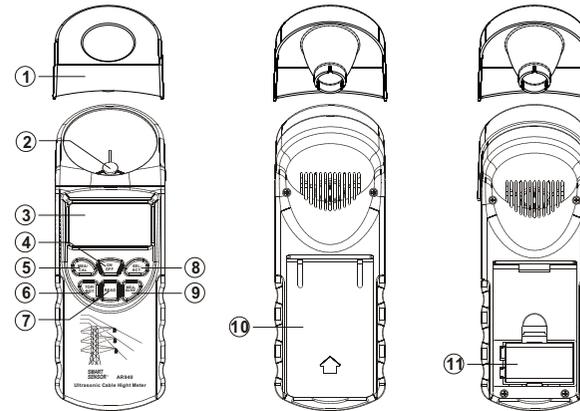


- 4). Press the “” key to enter “CAL” mode, here the LCD display shows as following figures:

Metric unit LCD display:



## Explanations of product mainparts



- 1). Accessory bracket: be used for accessory horizontal distance measurement which eliminates narrow space interference and enhances measuring accuracy.
- 2). Sensor
- 3). LCD display
- 4).  : Power switch  
press once to power on, again to power off.
- 5).  : “MEA” mode (default state), measuring cable height;  
“CAL” mode, measuring indoor distance or other distance between objects.

- 6).  :Set initiative position of cable measurement.  
 TOP mode: measuring the height of the most higher 6 cables from ground in turn;  
 BOT mode: measuring height of the most lower 6 cables from ground in turn.
- 7).  :Showing measured distances between cables in turn.
- 8).  :Select the measured cable height in turn.
- 9).  :Measure key
- 10). Maintain board
- 11). Battery compartment



**NOTES:**

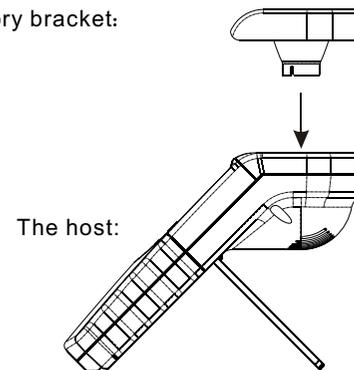
Above key functions descriptions just are simply introduction, for details please read “operation explanations” part .

**Horizontal distance measurement(CAL mode)**

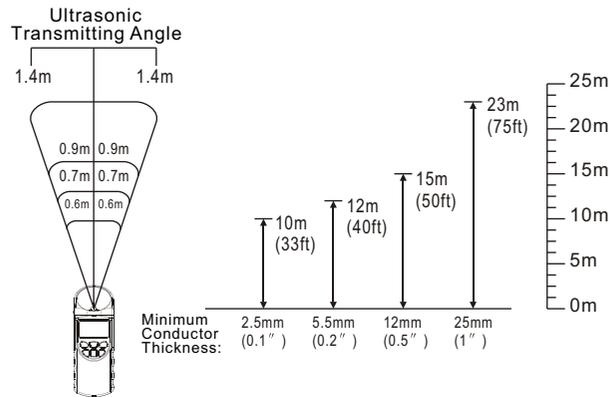
This unit can be used for measurement of horizontal distance, such as distance between indoor walls, poles and transformers etc. The horizontal distances it measured can be up to 18m. It can also measure standard horizontal distance between objects, which as the basis of calibrating the unit. Detailed operations as following:

- 1). Set metric & imperial transition that the method is the same as “MEA” mode.  
(concretely please read this manual on page 8 and diagrams to show)
- 2). For your reliable and accurate measuring results, please mount an accessory bracket when taking measurement of horizontal distance.  
shown as following figure:

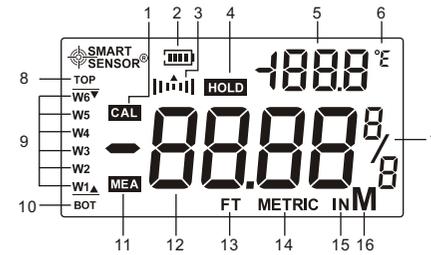
Accessory bracket:



## 7). Performance diagrams



## Displays functions



- 1). **CAL** :Means current selected measurement mode.
- 2). :Battery symbol, shows current residual battery voltage as following 5 grades:
  - :battery is sufficient
  - :battery is comparative sufficient
  - :battery is nearly deficient
  - :battery is nearly exhausted, need to have a replacement
  - :battery is exhausted completely.
- 3). :means the unit is on ultrasonic transmitting process, it appears when releasing the "MEAS" key .
- 4). **HOLD** :means data holding.
- 5). Environment temperature: the unit automatically adjusts the temperature value according to ambient environment after every power on, such as "29.6 °C" .

- 6).  $^{\circ}\Sigma$  :Temperature unit transition  
When pushing slideswitch to metricunit, the “  $^{\circ}\Sigma$  ” symbol will appear.  
When pushing slideswitch to imperialunit, “  $^{\circ}\mathcal{F}$  ” symbol will appear.
- 7). Imperialunit
- 8). TOP :means measuring the heightof the mosthigher 6 cables fromground.
- 9). The measured cableheight reading.
- 10). BOT: means measuringthe height ofthe most lower 6 cables fromground.
- 11). **MEA** :means currentselected mode.
- 12). The measured reading, such as: | 5.28
- 13). FT :Imperialunit: feet/foot
- 14).METRIC :Metric
- 15). IN :Imperialunit: inch
- 16). M :metricunit: meter

corresponding “W3 W2” , the reading value is negative; press once again, the distance between the fifth highest cable and the sixth will be shown by corresponding “W2 W1” , the reading value is negative.



**NOTE:**

If there is a symbol “-” before the measured value, it means negative, the rest is according to this analogically. If the cable wires to be measured are not enough 6, there are how many wires it will show how many measured values, those not enough six the measured values will be shown as “----” .

6) . Press the “” key to get distance between cables to be measured.

BOT mode:

Press once on “BOT” position, the distance between the first lowest cable and the unit bottom shown by corresponding “W1” will be shown in the display, the reading value is positive; press once again, the distance between the first cable and the second will be shown by corresponding “W1 W2”, the reading value is positive; press once again, the distance between the second cable and the third will be shown by corresponding “W2 W3”, the reading value is positive; press once again, the distance between the fourth cable and the fifth will be shown by corresponding “W4 W5”, the reading value is positive; press once again, the distance between the fifth cable and the sixth will be shown by corresponding “W5 W6”, the reading value is positive.

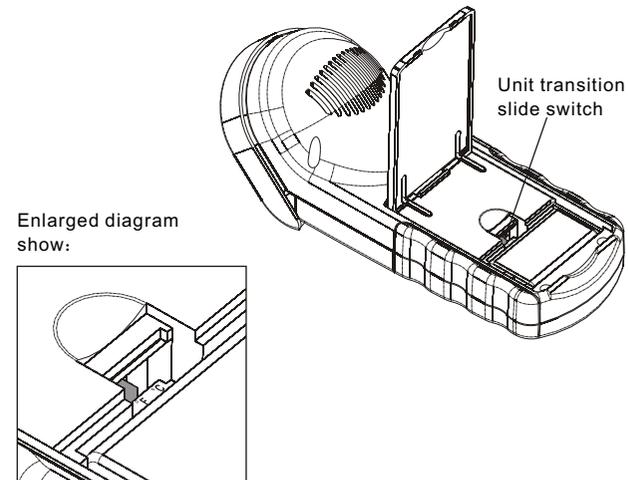
TOP mode:

Press once on “TOP” position, the distance between the first highest cable and the unit bottom will be shown by corresponding “W6” in the display, the reading value is negative; press once again, the distance between the first highest cable and the second will be shown by corresponding “W6 W5”, the reading value is negative; press once again, the distance between the second highest cable and the third will be shown by corresponding “W5 W4”, the reading value is negative; press once again, the distance between the fourth highest cable and the fifth will be shown by

## 2. Operation Explanations

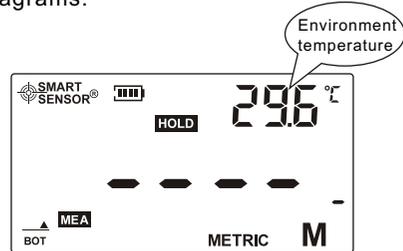
### Cable height measurement(MEA mode)

- 1). Try to stand directly underneath the cable to be measured.
- 2). Set metric & imperial unit:  
Open the battery door, select your required measurement units by setting the metric & imperial switch.
  - Set the switch to “°C”, means the temperature unit is “°C” and length unit is “M”;
  - Set the switch to “°F”, means the temperature unit is “°F” and length unit is “INCH”.(Note: The transition of temperature unit and length unit are simultaneous. Shown as following diagrams:

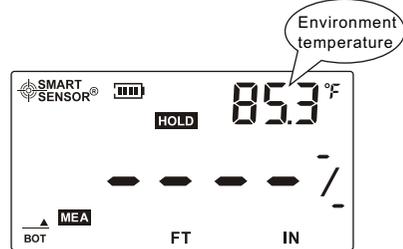


3). Press the “” key to power on, temperature reading shown on upper right of the LCD display will automatically adjust according to ambient, as following diagrams:

Metric unit LCD display:

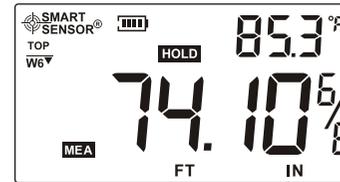


Imperial unit LCD display:



4). Setting measuring:  
It is defaulted as “MEA” mode after power on (cable height measurement), press the “” key to select your required measuring mode that the defaulted mode is “BOT”, which means measuring the height of the most lower 6 cables.

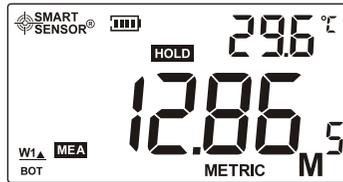
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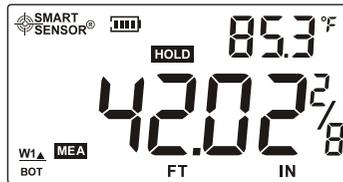
Note:  
Above LCD displayed reading are supposed data, concretely please take your actual measured reading as accuracy.

If measuring the height of the most lower 6 cables, the LCD display will be as following figure:

Metric unit LCD display:

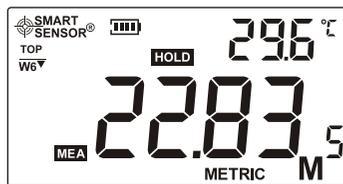


Imperial unit LCD display:

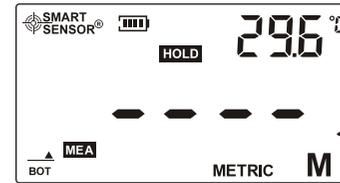


If measuring the height of the most higher 6 cables, the LCD display will be as following figure:

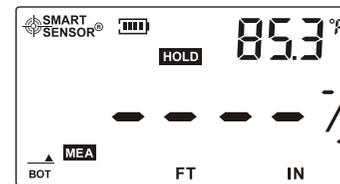
Metric unit LCD display:



Imperial unit LCD display:

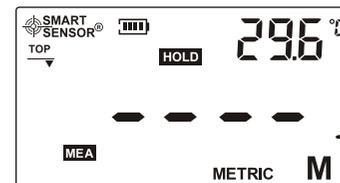


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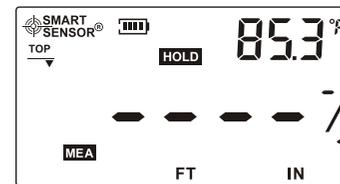


If want to measure the height of the most higher 6 cables, set the “” key to “TOP” mode, shown as following figure:

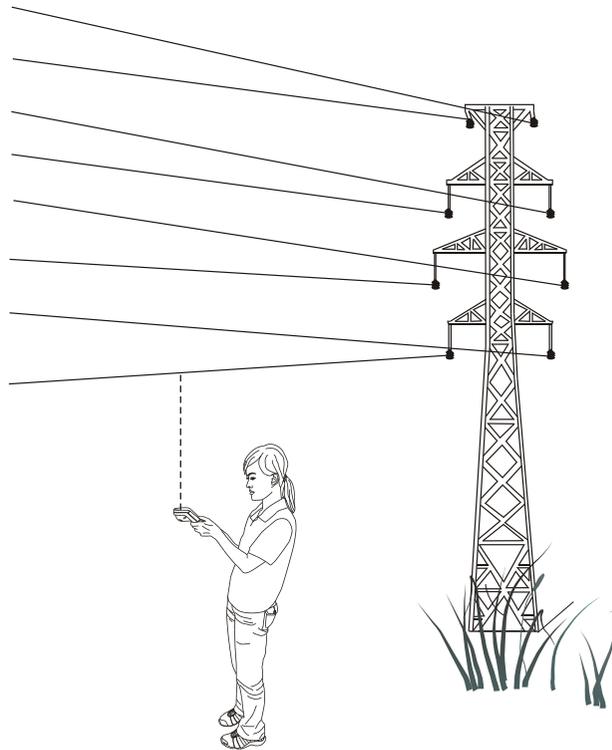
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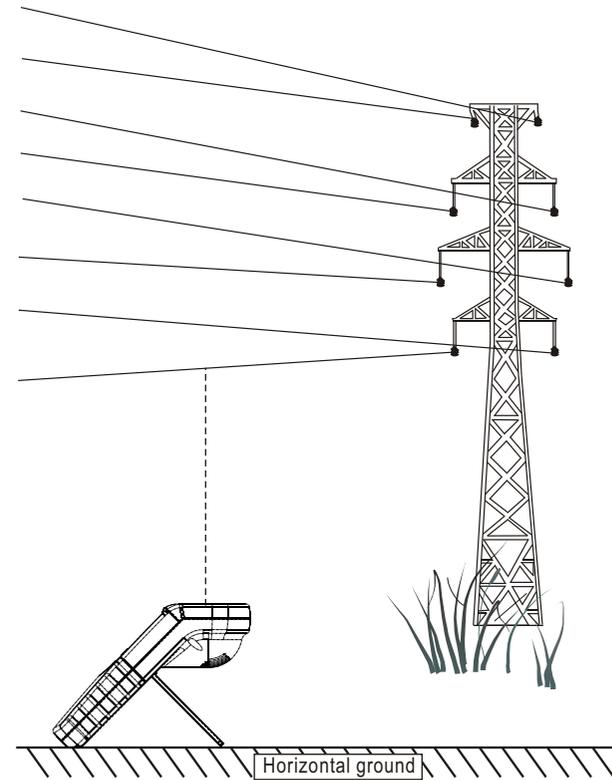


5). Hold level and steady the unit with two hands before chest part, press the “” key for 1~2 seconds the LCD will show the symbol “HOLD”, you can measure totally 6 cables height at one time, and measured data and such as W1、W2、W3、W4、W5、W6. Press the “SELECT” key you will read the measured data from W1 to W6 in turn, shown as following figure:



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Note:  
It can be also put in the ground to make measurement, If ground is neat, here your measured height is the distance between the cable and the unit top, shown as following figure:



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