

WILD t -NORMS

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Non-continuous triangular norms with continuous diagonal proposed by G. Krause under the name wild t -norms are recalled and investigated. The set of all discontinuity points of wild t -norms is characterized. Fractal-like structure of the diagonal of a linear wild t -norm is shown by means of its derivative.

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1 INTRODUCTION

The term triangular norm was for the first time introduced by Menger [1942]. Originally triangular norms were used for generalization of classical triangular inequality for metric spaces (introduced by Fréchet [1906]) on statistic metric spaces (or on probability metric spaces, as we call them today). Triangular norms (shortly t -norms) are operations on the unit interval with special properties. Originally their axioms (Menger [1942]) were relatively weak. Associativity was not demanded and also boundary conditions were weaker than in axioms, which are used today and which were introduced by Schweizer and Sklar [1960].

Definition 1. Triangular norm is a binary operation $T: [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$, where for all $x, y, z \in [0, 1]$ the following four axioms are fulfilled:

- (1) $T(x, y) = T(y, x)$ (commutativity),
- (2) $T(x, T(y, z)) = T(T(x, y), z)$ (associativity),
- (3) $T(x, y) \leq T(x, z)$ if $y \leq z$ (monotonicity),
- (4) $T(x, 1) = x$ (boundary condition).

Observe that couple $([0, 1], T)$ is a special Abelian semigroup with neutral element 1 and annihilator 0.

Example 1. Following are four basic t -norms T_M, T_P, T_L, T_D :

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_M(x, y) &= \min(x, y) && \text{(minimum),} \\
 T_P(x, y) &= x \cdot y && \text{(product),} \\
 T_L(x, y) &= \max(0, x + y - 1) && \text{(Lukasiewicz } t\text{-norm),} \\
 T_D(x, y) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } (x, y) \in [0, 1]^2 \\ \min(x, y) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} && \text{(drastic product).}
 \end{aligned}$$

These four t -norms are important for several reasons. For every t -norm T we have: $T_D \leq T \leq T_M$. Every

continuous t -norm can be constructed from T_M, T_L, T_P by using some suitable transformations and the so-called ordinal sums, see also [2, 6].

Several algebraic properties of t -norms can be derived from their diagonal function $(T(x, x): [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1])$, such as Archimedean property, nilpotency, existence of zero divisors, existence of idempotent elements etc. This is the reason why the diagonal function of t -norms is one of important domains of investigation. Following are the diagonal functions of our four basic t -norms:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_M(x, x) &= x, \\
 T_P(x, x) &= x^2, \\
 T_L(x, x) &= \max(0, 2x - 1), \\
 T_D(x, x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in [0, 1[, \\ \min(x, x) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

It is evident that every continuous t -norm has a continuous diagonal but the converse question (mentioned in [6]), whether a t -norm must be continuous when it has a continuous diagonal, was for years an open problem. Counterexample to this problem was found by Gerianne Krause. Krause's construction is still not published and it is known only in rough e-mail form. The aim of this work is a clear description of this construction and investigation of properties of Krause's t -norms. Construction of Krause's t -norms is based on the notions of the Cantor set and the Farrey sequence, which we will now briefly recall.

2 CANTOR SET

Cantor set is a set derived from the unit interval, from which open intervals (so-called middles) are successively deleted:

1. step: $(1/3, 2/3)$, 2. step: $(1/9, 2/9), (7/9, 8/9) \dots$
- In the n -th step we are deleting exactly 2^{n-1} intervals.

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Each of these deleted intervals can be represented by its left-end point (e.g. $(7/9, 8/9) \rightarrow 7/9$). The set of these points together with points 0, 1 will be denoted by S . So $S = \{0, 1, 1/3, 1/9, 7/9, 1/27, 7/27, 19/27, 25/27, \dots\}$. We will also denote the set of all right-end points of deleted intervals by U . Points from Cantor set which are neither from S nor from U will be called pure Cantor points and the set of all these points will be denoted by C . Every point from $S \setminus \{0, 1\}$ can be represented by a finite sequence of 0's and 2's created by means of triadic expansion in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} 1/3 &= (1)_{1/3} && \simeq && \emptyset, \\ 1/9 &= (0, 1)_{1/3} && \simeq && (0), \\ 7/9 &= (2, 1)_{1/3} && \simeq && (2), \\ 1/27 &= (0, 0, 1)_{1/3} && \simeq && (0, 0), \end{aligned}$$

Ending number in triadic expansion of every point from $S \setminus \{0, 1\}$ is 1, so it is not important, and in our representation we will not use it. In this way we can represent each point from $S \setminus \{0, 1\}$ and we will denote the set of such representations by P . We also know that the interval which is represented by current point has a length $3^{-(n+1)}$, where n is the dimension of current 0-2-vector.

We can use triadic expansion also for representation of points from C . These points have infinite triadic expansions, so their representatives will be exactly their triadic expansions, i.e., sequences which contain infinitely many of 0's and infinitely many of 2's (e.g. $1/4 = (0, 2, 0, 2, \dots)_{1/3} \simeq (0, 2, 0, 2, \dots)$).

3 FARREY SEQUENCE

Farrey sequence is also created inductively. At the beginning we have two "fractions": $1/0, 0/1$. In the first step we put between these two fractions a new one: $1/1$. In the second step we put $2/1$ between $1/0$ and $1/1$ and $1/2$ between $1/1$ and $0/1$, and so on. In the n -th step we add to our sequence 2^{n-1} new fractions in such a way, that between every two old neighbours $a/b, c/d$ (in the increasing order) we put new fraction $(a+c)/(b+d)$. So if we denote by F_n the Farrey sequence in the n -th step, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= \{1/0, 1/1, 0/1\}, \\ F_2 &= \{1/0, 2/1, 1/1, 1/2, 0/1\}, \\ F_3 &= \{1/0, 3/1, 2/1, 3/2, 1/1, 2/3, 1/2, 1/3, 0/1\}, \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

For every two neighbours $a/b, c/d$ of the Farrey sequence F_n for each n , $a \cdot d = 1 + c \cdot b$. The whole Farrey sequence is

$$F_\infty = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n.$$

We should note that F_∞ is just equal to the set of all rational numbers from $[0, \infty]$ in their basic form.

In the n -th step of the construction of the set S we have added 2^{n-1} new points (corresponding to construction of the Cantor set). Similarly, 2^{n-1} new fractions have been added to the Farrey sequence in the n -th step. So we can map the points from S to the fractions from Farrey sequence. We will do it in the following way:

First we define boundary conditions: $f(0) = 1/0 = \infty$, $f(1) = 0/1 = 0$. Then we define

$$\begin{aligned} \text{in the 1st step: } & f(1/3) = 1/1 = 1, \\ \text{in the 2nd step: } & f(1/9) = 2/1 = 2, \quad f(7/9) = 1/2, \\ & \text{e.t.c.} \end{aligned}$$

A new point from S is mapped to a new fraction from the Farrey sequence preserving the relevant orders of creation. Now we have a one-to-one mapping between $S \setminus \{0, 1\}$ and P and also a one-to-one mapping between S and the fractions from the Farrey sequence. Hence we have also a one-to-one mapping between P and the fractions from the Farrey sequence and thus we can define a function (we will denote it also by f)

$$f: P \rightarrow F_\infty \setminus \{1/0, 0/1\} \text{ as we have defined it before: } \\ f(1/3) = f(\emptyset) = 1, \quad f(1/9) = f((0)) = 2, \dots$$

After investigation of f , we have found these properties:

- 1) $x, y \in P, x = (0, x_1, \dots, x_n), y = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \Rightarrow f(x) = 1 + f(y)$,
- 2) $x, y \in P, x = (x_1, \dots, x_n), y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$, where $y_i = 2 - x_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, n \Rightarrow f(x) = 1/f(y)$.

Using these properties finitely many times $f(x)$ can be computed for any $x \in P$. In the points from deleted intervals and in the right-end points of deleted intervals we will determine the value of f as follows:

$f(x) = f(m/3^n), x \in [m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n]$, where $(m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n)$ is a deleted interval. To define f on the whole interval $[0, 1]$ it remains to determine values of f in pure Cantor points.

Each point $c \in C$ can be expressed as a limit of points from S , so we put

$$f(c) = \lim_{\substack{x \rightarrow c^+ \\ x \in S}} f(x), \quad c \in C.$$

This definition is equivalent to:

$$f(c) = \inf\{f(s) \in [0, \infty] \mid s \in S, s \leq c\}.$$

Then, of course, the properties (1), (2) of function f are valid also for $f(c)$. We can also define $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ by another equivalent expression:

$$f(x) = \inf\{f(s) \mid s \in S, s \leq x\}.$$

From the construction it is evident that $f: S \rightarrow Q \cap [0, \infty]$ and $f: C \cup S \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ are decreasing bijections and $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is a decreasing surjection. This means that f is continuous (where the derivative $f' = 0$ in every point, where it exists, i.e. on $[0, 1] \setminus (C \cup S \cup U)$).

Example 2.

$c = 1/4 = (0, 2, 0, 2, \dots) \Rightarrow f(c) = 1 + 1/f(c) \Rightarrow f^2(c) = f(c) + 1 \Rightarrow f^2(c) - f(c) - 1 = 0$. As far as $f(c)$ is nonnegative $f(c) = (1 + \sqrt{5})/2$. Point $1/4$ is interesting also for function values of its successive approximations: $1/4 = (0, 2, 0, 2, \dots)$

$f(\emptyset) = 1, f((0)) = 2, f((0, 2)) = 3/2, f((0, 2, 0)) = 5/3, f((0, 2, 0, 2)) = 8/5, \dots, f((0, 2, 0, 2, \dots)) = f((x_1, \dots, x_n)) = a_{n+1}/a_n$, where numbers a_n are members of Fibonacci sequence ($a_0 = 1, a_1 = 1, a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$). So we can determine $f(1/4)$ also using the explicit form of Fibonacci numbers:

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5} \cdot 2^{n+1}} \cdot [(1 + \sqrt{5})^{n+1} - (1 - \sqrt{5})^{n+1}], \text{ and hence}$$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{[(1 + \sqrt{5})^{n+2} - (1 - \sqrt{5})^{n+2}]}{[(1 + \sqrt{5})^{n+1} - (1 - \sqrt{5})^{n+1}]} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}.$$

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Using the above defined continuous decreasing function $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ we can define a t -norm T .

Definition 2. As for every t -norm we define first

$$T(x, 1) = T(1, x) = x, \quad T(x, 0) = T(0, x) = 0, \quad x \in [0, 1].$$

Let $G_q: [1/3, 2/3] \rightarrow [i/3^j, (i+1)/3^j]$, where $i/3^j \in S \setminus \{0, 1\}$ and $q = f(i/3^j)$, be any system of increasing bijections. Let $x^* = G_p^{-1}(x)$, $x \in [i/3^j, (i+1)/3^j]$, $p = f(i/3^j)$ and $y^* = G_q^{-1}(y)$, $y \in [m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n]$, $q = f(m/3^n)$. Then we define:

$$T(x, y) = G_{p+q}(\min(x^*, y^*)). \quad (1)$$

If $\{x, y\} \cap C \neq \emptyset$ we put

$$T(x, y) = \inf\{T(c, d) \mid c \in S, d \in S, x \leq c, y \leq d\} \quad (2)$$

((1) and (2) are equivalent for $x, y \in C \cup S$).

We should also remark that if $\{x, y\} \cap (C \cup S) \neq \emptyset$ then $T(x, y) \in (C \cup S)$. $T: [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is defined correctly. We show now that T is a t -norm.

1) *Commutativity* is evident from the definition of T .

2) *Monotonicity*: We know that G_q is an increasing bijection for $\forall q \in Q \cap]0, \infty[$ and f is a decreasing function. Let $x \in [i/3^j, (i+1)/3^j]$, $y \in [m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n]$, $y \leq z$. We know, that $f(T(x, y)) = p + q = f(i/3^j) + f(m/3^n)$ and from the definition $f(x) = f(i/3^j)$, $f(y) = f(m/3^n)$, hence $f(T(x, y)) = f(x) + f(y)$. So if $f(z) < f(y)$ then $T(x, y) < T(x, z)$.

If $f(y) = f(z)$ then y, z are points from the same deleted interval — $[m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n]$. Consequently $y^* \leq z^*$. Let $x \in [i/3^j, (i+1)/3^j]$, $p = f(m/3^n)$, $q = f(i/3^j) \Rightarrow T(x, y) = G_{p+q}(\min(x^*, y^*))$

$\leq G_{p+q}(\min(x^*, z^*)) = T(x, z)$, because G_{p+q} is an increasing bijection. As far as between every point from $C \cup S \cup U$ and another point from C , there are infinitely many points from S , T is monotone also for x, y , where $\{x, y\} \cap C \neq \emptyset$.

3) *Associativity*: We have to prove associativity only for $x, y, z \in]0, 1[$ (in other cases it is evident).

a) Let $x \in [i/3^j, (i+1)/3^j]$, $y \in [m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n]$, $z \in [r/3^s, (r+1)/3^s]$, $p = f(m/3^n)$, $q = f(i/3^j)$, $t = f(r/3^s)$. Then $T(T(x, y), z) = G_{A+t}(\min(a^*, z^*))$, where $a = T(x, y) \in [L/3^k, (L+1)/3^k]$, $A = f(L/3^k)$. Since x, y are points from deleted intervals, from the definition $T(x, y)$ belongs to a deleted interval, as well. So we have: $T(T(x, y), z) = G_{p+q+t}(\min(a^*, z^*))$, $a = G_{p+q}(\min(x^*, y^*))$, $a^* = \min(x^*, y^*)$, and hence $T(T(x, y), z) = G_{p+q+t}(\min(\min(x^*, y^*), z^*)) = T(x, T(y, z))$

b) If $x \in C \Rightarrow T(x, y) = \inf\{T(x', y') \mid x', y' \in S, x \leq x', y \leq y'\} \in C \cup S$. Then $T(T(x, y), z) = \inf\{T(a', z') \mid a', z' \in S, T(x, y) \leq a', z \leq z'\} = \inf\{T(a', z') \mid a', z' \in S, z \leq z', \inf\{T(x', y') \mid x', y' \in S, x \leq x', y \leq y'\} \leq a'\}$.

Because T is monotone, the last expression is equal to: $\inf\{T(a', z') \mid a', z' \in S, z \leq z', \inf\{T(x', y') \mid x', y' \in S, x \leq x', y \leq y'\} \leq a'\} = \inf\{T(T(x', y'), z') \mid x', y', z' \in S, x \leq x', y \leq y', z \leq z'\} = \inf\{T(x', T(y', z')) \mid x', y', z' \in S, x \leq x', y \leq y', z \leq z'\}$.

If $\{y, z\} \cap C \neq \emptyset$ the proof is finished.

If $y \in [m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n]$, $z \in [r/3^s, (r+1)/3^s]$, $p = f(m/3^n)$, $t = f(r/3^s)$, $T(y, z) = G_{p+t}(\min(y^*, z^*))$ then $T(x, T(y, z)) = \inf\{T(x', b') \mid b', x' \in S, T(y, z) \leq b', x \leq x'\}$. We know that $\inf\{b' \geq T(y, z), b' \in S\} = \inf\{T(y', z') \mid y', z' \in S, y \leq y', z \leq z'\}$. Since T is monotone: $T(x, T(y, z)) = \inf\{T(x', b') \mid b', x' \in S, T(y, z) \leq b', x \leq x'\} = \inf\{T(x', T(y', z')) \mid x', y', z' \in S, x \leq x', y \leq y', z \leq z'\} = T(T(x, y), z)$.

4) The boundary condition was directly introduced in the definition.

We have shown that the introduced mapping T is a t -norm. Following Gerianne Krause, T will be called wild t -norm. This t -norm is continuous on rectangles $]i/3^j, (i+1)/3^j[\times]m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n[$, which are called by G. Krause devil's terraces.

5 WILD t -NORMS ON DIAGONAL

The t -norm T is continuous on the diagonal. We put $D(x) = T(x, x)$.

1) $x \in]i/3^j, (i+1)/3^j[\Rightarrow x$ is inner point of a deleted interval, $p = f(i/3^j)$. On $I =]i/3^j, (i+1)/3^j[$ the function G_p is continuous (increasing bijection) \Rightarrow also G_p^{-1} is continuous. Because x is from a deleted interval we know that: $2p = q$, where $q = f(y)$, $y \in S$. Function G_q is also continuous. As far as also $f: C \cup S \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is continuous, the whole t -norm is continuous on $I \times I$ and hence $D(x)$ is continuous on I . $D(x)$ is also continuous

from the right in the left-end point and from the left in right-end point of interval I .

2) The continuity of $D(x)$ in points from C follows directly from the monotonicity of $D(x)$, density of S in $S \cup C$ and continuity of bijection $f: C \cup S \rightarrow [0, \infty]$, as far as for $c \in C$, $D(c) = f^{-1}(2 \cdot f(c))$ (where f^{-1} is the inverse function of $f: C \cup S \rightarrow [0, \infty]$, which is a decreasing bijection).

3) The continuity from the left of diagonal $D(x)$ in points $s \in S \setminus \{0\}$ follows directly from the monotonicity of $D(x)$ and the continuity of $f: S \rightarrow Q \cap [0, \infty]$ (the same for the continuity from the right in points $u \in U$).

6 NON-CONTINUITY OF WILD t -NORMS

We know that wild t -norms are non-continuous, more precisely every wild t -norm is non-continuous from the left in $(x, 1)$, $(1, x)$ where $x \in [0, 1] \setminus (C \cup S)$ and non-continuous from the right in (x, y) , (y, x) for $\forall x \in [0, 1] \setminus (C \cup S \cup U), \forall y \in U$.

Let $x \in [i/3^j, (i+1)/3^j]$, $p = f(i/3^j)$. We know that $T(x, 1) = x$. Then $T(x, 1^-) = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} T(x, 1 - 2/3^j)$, $T(x, 1 - 2/3^j) = G_{p+1/j}(\min(x^*, 1/3)) = i/3^j$. This shows that T is continuous in points $(x, 1), (1, x)$, $x \in S$, and non-continuous from left in $(x, 1), (1, x)$, $x \in [0, 1] \setminus (S \cup C)$. We can easily see that in $x \in C$, $T(x, 1^-) = \sup\{s_{i,j} \mid s_{i,j} \in S, s_{i,j} \leq x\} = x$ ($s_{i,j} = i/3^j$).

Concerning the non-continuity from the right: if $x \in]i/3^j, (i+1)/3^j[$ and for $k/3^L \in S$, $T(i/3^j, k/3^L) = m/3^n$, this means that $x = i/3^j + \lambda/3^j, \lambda \in]0, 1[\Rightarrow T(x, (k+1)/3^L) = m/3^n + \lambda/3^n, T(x, [(k+1)/3^L]^+) = (m+1)/3^n \Rightarrow T(x, [(k+1)/3^L]^+) \neq T(x, (k+1)/3^L)$.

Further we will suppose that G_p is a linear function for $\forall p \in Q \cap]0, \infty[$. The corresponding T will be called a linear wild t -norm.

Example 3. $T(1/2, 1) = 1/2$

$T(1/2, 1^-) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} T(1/2, x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(1/2, x_n)$, where $x_n = (3^n - 2)/3^n$. Then $T(1/2, (3^n - 2)/3^n) = G_{1+1/n}(\min(1/3, 1/2)) = G_{1+1/n}(1/3) = (3^n - 2)/3^{n+1} \rightarrow_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/3, 1/3 \neq 1/2$.

Example 4. $T(1/2, 2/3) = 1/6$.

Denote $p = f((2 \cdot 3^{n-1} + 1)/3^n)$. Then $T(1/2, 2/3^+) = T(1/2, (2 \cdot 3^{n-1} + 1)/3^n) = G_{1+p}(\min(1/3, 1/2)) = (2 \cdot 3^{n-1} + 1)/3^{n+1} \rightarrow_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2/9, 2/9 \neq 1/6$.

7 DERIVATIVE OF LINEAR WILD t -NORM ON THE DIAGONAL

Suppose that all bijections G_p are linear. This means: $G_{f(m/3^n)}(x) = k \cdot x + q$ for $\forall m/3^n \in S \Rightarrow m/3^n = k/3 + q, (m+1)/3^n = 2k/3 + q \Rightarrow 1/3^n = k/3 \Rightarrow k = 1/3^{n-1}, q = (m-1)/3^n$. Consequently, $G_{f(m/3^n)}(x) = x/3^{n-1} + (m-1)/3^n$ and $G_{f(m/3^n)}^{-1}(x) = 3^{n-1}x - (m-1)/3$.

For the diagonal function related to the linear wild t -norm T we obtain: $D(x) = G_{2f(m/3^n)}(3^{n-1}x - (m-1)/3)$, $x \in [m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n]$, $m/3^n \in S$. If $f^{-1}(2f(x)) = i/3^j$ then $D(x) = 3^{n-j}x - (m-i)/3^j$.

We have just shown that the value 3^{n-j} is the derivative (slope) of D on the interval $I =]m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n[$.

Let $x \in S$ and let $x = m/3^n$, $f^{-1}(2(f(x))) = i/3^j$. Then $D(z) = 3^{n-j}z - (m-i)/3^j$ for any $z \in [m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n]$.

Let $s(x)$ be a mapping which assigns to every point $x \in S$ the value $s(x) = (j - n)$. Then the slope of D on $]m/3^n, (m+1)/3^n[$ is $3^{-s(x)}$. So we have only to find out the value of $s(x)$.

Example 5.

$$\begin{aligned} s(\emptyset) &= s(1/3) &= 2 - 1 &= 1 \\ s((0)) &= s(1/9) &= 4 - 2 &= 2 \\ s((2)) &= s(7/9) &= 1 - 2 &= -1 \\ s((0, 0)) &= s(1/27) &= 6 - 3 &= 3 \\ s((0, 2)) &= s(7/27) &= 3 - 3 &= 0 \\ s((2, 0)) &= s(19/27) &= 4 - 3 &= 1 \\ s((2, 2)) &= s(25/27) &= 3 - 3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

The function s has the following properties:

Theorem 1. Let $p = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $p' = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$, $y_i = 2 - x_i$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, $x_i, y_i \in \{0, 2\}$. Then

- 1) $s((0, p)) = 1 + s(p)$, where $(0, p)$ means $(0, x_1, \dots, x_n)$,
- 2) $s((2, 0, p)) = s(p')$,
- 3) $s((2, 2, p)) = s(p) - 1$.

Proof. 1) $2f((0, p)) = 2 + 2f(p) \Rightarrow f^{-1}(2 + 2f(p)) = (0, 0, q)$, where $q = f^{-1}(2f(p))$. $s((0, p)) = j - n \Rightarrow s(p) = (j - 2) - (n + 1) = s((0, p)) - 1 \Rightarrow s((0, p)) = 1 + s(p)$.

2) $2f((2, 0, p)) = \frac{2}{1+1/(1+f(p))} = \frac{2+2f(p)}{2+f(p)} \Rightarrow f^{-1}(2f((2, 0, p))) = f^{-1}(1 + \frac{f(p)}{2+f(p)}) = f^{-1}(1 + \frac{1}{1+2/f(p)}) = (0, 2, q)$ where $q = f^{-1}(\frac{f(p)}{2})$, $2f(p') = \frac{2}{f(p)} \Rightarrow f^{-1}(2f(p')) = q'$. So $s((2, 0, p)) = j - n \Rightarrow s(p') = (j - 2) - (n - 2) = j - n = s((2, 0, p)) \Rightarrow s((2, 0, p)) = s(p')$.

3) $2f((2, 2, p)) = \frac{2}{2+1/f(p)} = \frac{2f(p)}{2f(p)+1} \Rightarrow f^{-1}(\frac{2f(p)}{2f(p)+1}) = f^{-1}(\frac{1}{1+1/(2f(p))}) = (2, q)$ where $q = f^{-1}(2f(p))$. So $s((2, 2, p)) = j - n \Rightarrow s(p) = (j - 1) - (n - 2) = j - n + 1 \Rightarrow s((2, 2, p)) = s(p) - 1$.

Now, we are able to prove the next interesting result.

Theorem 2. $\forall y, z \in C \cup S, y < z, \forall k \in Z \exists x \in]y, z[$ such that $D'(x) = 3^k$ (this means that there is an interval on which D has derivative 3^k).

Proof. Between every two different points $c, d \in C \cup S$ there are infinitely many points from S , so we will prove the theorem only for two different points from S .

Now let $x \in S, x = (x_1, \dots, x_n, 1)_{1/3} \simeq (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $y \in S, y = (y_1, \dots, y_m, 1)_{1/3} \simeq (y_1, \dots, y_m)$. Let $x < y$ and $n < m$. Then for every point $z \simeq (y_1, \dots, y_m, 0, p)$, where $p = (z_1, \dots, z_k), z_i \in \{0, 2\}, i = 1, \dots, k$ ($z \in S$) we have $x < z < y \Rightarrow z \in]x, y[$. Similarly, if $x < y$ and $n \geq m$ then we put $z \simeq (x_1, \dots, x_n, 2, p)$.

For any such z , using properties (1), (2), (3), we are able to reduce the value $s(z)$ to one of the following four cases:

$s((y_1, \dots, y_m, 0, p)) = v + s(q)$, where $v \in Z$ is some fixed integer depending on y and q , is either p or p' , or $(2, q)$ is either p or p' .

A similar reduction is valid in the case when $z \simeq (x_1, \dots, x_n, 2, p)$.

We want to prove that for any $k \in Z$ there is point $z \in]x, y[$ such that $s(z) = k$.

1) If $k - v > 0$ we put $q = \underbrace{(0, \dots, 0)}_{k-v-1 \text{ times}}$. Then $s(q) = k - v - 1 + s(\emptyset) = k - v$.

2) If $(k - v) \leq 0$
 $q = \underbrace{(2, \dots, 2)}_{(2|k-v|+2)} \Rightarrow s(q) = k - v - 1 + s(\emptyset) = k - v$.

Example 6. $x = (0, 2, 1)_{1/3} \simeq (0, 2), y = (0, 2, 2, 1)_{1/3} \simeq (0, 2, 2), k = 3$, so $z = (0, 2, 2, 0, p), s((0, 2, 2, 0, p)) = 1 - 1 + 1 + s(p) = 1 + s(p), q = p \Rightarrow v = 1, (k - v) = 2 \Rightarrow q = (0), s(0, 2, 2, 0, 0) = 1 - 1 + 3 = 3$.

If $k = 0$ $(k - v) = -1, q = \underbrace{(2, \dots, 2)}_{2|k-v|+2} \Rightarrow q = (2, 2, 2, 2),$

$$s((0, 2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 2, 2)) = 1 - 1 + 1 - 2 + 1 = 0.$$

Similarly, if $k = -2, q = (2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2), s((0, 2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2)) = 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 + 1 = -2$.

For $x = (2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 1)_{1/3} \simeq (2, 2, 0, 2, 2), y = (2, 2, 1)_{1/3} \simeq (2, 2), k = 0: z = (2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 2, p) \Rightarrow s((2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 2, p)) = -1 + 1 - 1 + s(2, p), p = (2, q) \Rightarrow s(z) = -2 + s(q)$, so $(k - v) = 0 + 2 = 2$ and so $q = (0). s(2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 2, 2, 0) = -1 + 1 - 1 - 1 + 1 + 1 = 0$.

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