

# Four extended level operators of membership/non-membership over Ituitionistic Fuzzy Sets

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**Abstract.** We present 4 new operators over IFSs which are extension of the already defined level operators of membership/non-membership in [1]. After that we define the new terms: cell, semicell and perfect n-net.

In [1] are defined the following 3 operators over IFS  $A$ :

$$N_{\alpha,\beta}(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha, \nu_A(x) \leq \beta, \alpha + \beta \leq 1, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1, 0 \leq \beta \leq 1 \}$$

$$N_\alpha(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1 \}$$

$$N^\beta(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \nu_A(x) \leq \beta, 0 \leq \beta \leq 1 \}$$

$N_{\alpha,\beta}(A)$  is called a set of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -level, generated by an IFS  $A$ . We have to note that it is obeyed  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$  in this definition.  $N_\alpha(A)$  is called a set of level of membership  $\alpha$ , generated by  $A$ .  $N^\beta(A)$  is called a set of level of non-membership  $\beta$ , generated by  $A$ . Lets see the geometric interpretation of sets  $N_{\alpha,\beta}(A)$ ,  $N_\alpha(A)$ ,  $N^\beta(A)$  (Fig.1,2,3,4):

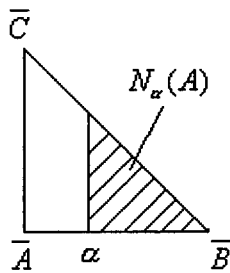


Fig.1

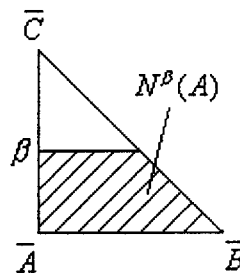


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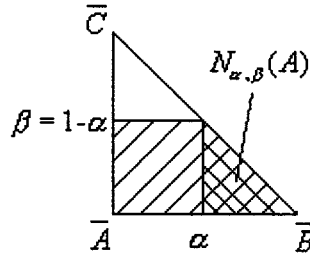


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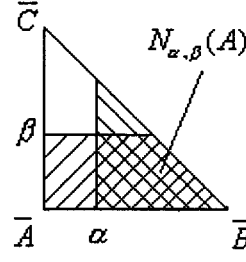


Fig.4

**Definition.1** We define the sets:

$$V_{\alpha}(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \mu_A(x) = \alpha, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1 \}$$

$$H^{\beta}(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \nu_A(x) = \beta, 0 \leq \beta \leq 1 \}$$

(Fig.5,6)

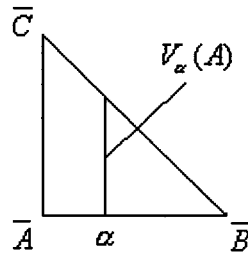


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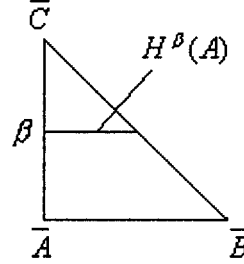


Fig.6

Obviously  $V_{\alpha}(A) \parallel \overline{AC}$  and  $H^{\beta}(A) \parallel \overline{AB}$ . Every couple of sets  $(V_{\alpha}(A), H^{\beta}(A))$  where  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$  corresponds with exactly one ordered triad  $\langle x, \alpha, \beta \rangle$ , i.e. exactly one point in the square  $\overline{ABDC}$ . This point(ordered triad  $\langle x, \alpha, \beta \rangle$ ) we will note with  $P_{\alpha}^{\beta}$  for our convenience. When  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$  for the point  $P_{\alpha}^{\beta}$  are possible the following three cases according to the sum  $\alpha + \beta$ :

- 1) If  $\alpha + \beta < 1$  then  $P_{\alpha}^{\beta}$  is an inside point for  $\triangle \overline{ABC}$ , i.e.  $P_{\alpha}^{\beta} \in \triangle \overline{ABC}$ ,  $P_{\alpha}^{\beta} \notin \overline{BC}$
- 2) If  $\alpha + \beta = 1$  then  $P_{\alpha}^{\beta} \in \overline{BC}$ . In this case we say that  $P_{\alpha}^{\beta}$  is a boundary point for  $\triangle \overline{ABC}$
- 3) If  $1 < \alpha + \beta < 2$  then  $P_{\alpha}^{\beta}$  is an outside point for  $\triangle \overline{ABC}$

(Fig.7,8,9)

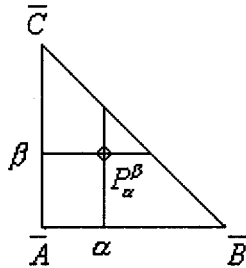


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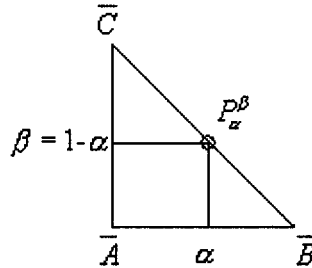


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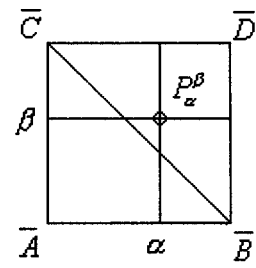


Fig.9

If we put the restriction  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$  then every couple of sets  $(V_\alpha(A), H^\beta(A))$  corresponds with only one point  $P_\alpha^\beta \in \overline{\triangle ABC}$ . In this case  $P_\alpha^\beta$  can be an inside or a boundary point for  $\overline{\triangle ABC}$ .

If we put the restriction  $\alpha + \beta \leq 2$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$  then every couple of sets  $(V_\alpha(A), H^\beta(A))$  corresponds with only one point  $P_\alpha^\beta \in \overline{ABDC}$ . In this case  $P_\alpha^\beta$  can be an inside, outside or boundary point for  $\overline{\triangle ABC}$ .

We have to note that every set  $V_\alpha(A)$  corresponds with the set  $N_\alpha(A)$  and vice versa. Furthermore, the set  $V_\alpha(A)$  is included in  $N_\alpha(A)$ . Therefore when we have  $N_\alpha(A)$  we can define  $V_\alpha(A)$ . The opposite is not true, i.e. when we have  $V_\alpha(A)$  we can not define  $N_\alpha(A)$ . The same dependences are observed between the sets  $H^\beta(A)$  and  $N^\beta(A)$ .

Every set  $N_{\alpha,\beta}(A)$  corresponds with one couple of sets  $(V_\alpha(A), H^\beta(A))$  (here we have  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$  according to the definition of  $N_{\alpha,\beta}(A)$ ). Therefore every set  $N_{\alpha,\beta}(A)$  corresponds with one point  $P_\alpha^\beta$  from the triangle  $\overline{\triangle ABC}$ . There are 2 cases about  $P_\alpha^\beta$ : to be an inside or a boundary point for  $\overline{\triangle ABC}$ .

We are ready to define the following 4 new operators which we will name “extended level operators of membership/non-membership, generated by an IFS A”.

**Definition.2** The set

$${}_{\alpha_1}N_{\alpha_2}(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \alpha_1 \leq \mu_A(x) \leq \alpha_2, 0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq 1 \}$$

is called a set of level of membership between  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ , generated by an IFS A. (Fig.10,11)

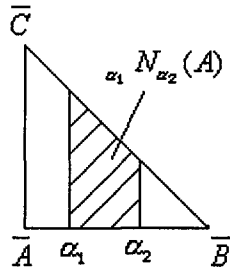


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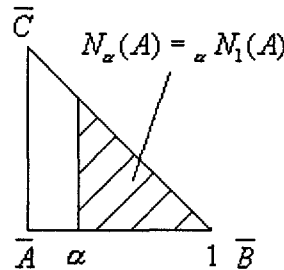


Fig.11

**Note 2.1** For every  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  we have that  $N_\alpha(A) = {}_\alpha N_1(A)$ .

**Note 2.2** If  ${}_{\alpha_1}N_{\alpha_2}(A)$  and  $\alpha_1 = \alpha = \alpha_2$  then we get the set  $V_\alpha(A)$ .

**Definition.3** The set

$${}^{\beta_1}N^{\beta_2}(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \beta_1 \leq \nu_A(x) \leq \beta_2, 0 \leq \beta_1 \leq \beta_2 \leq 1 \}$$

is called a set of level of non-membership between  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$ , generated by an IFS A. (Fig.12,13)

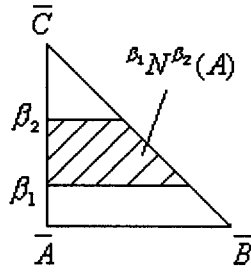


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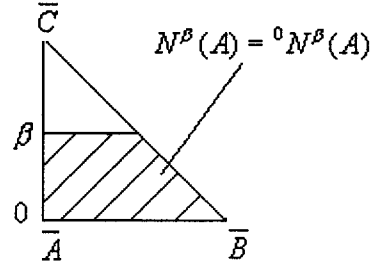


Fig.13

**Note 3.1** For every  $\beta \in [0,1]$  we have that  $N^\beta(A) = {}^0N^\beta(A)$

**Note 3.2** If  ${}^{\beta_1}N^{\beta_2}(A)$  and  $\beta_1 = \beta = \beta_2$  then we get the set  $H^\beta(A)$ .

**Definition.4** A set of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -level, generated by an IFS A, is defined as

$$N_\alpha^\beta(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1, \\ \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha, \nu_A(x) \leq \beta, \alpha \in [0,1], \beta \in [0,1] \}$$

Here, the special feature is  $\alpha + \beta \leq 2$ . Therefore every set  $N_\alpha^\beta(A)$  corresponds with one point  $P_\alpha^\beta$  from the square  $\overline{ABDC}$  (whereas in the definition of  $N_{\alpha,\beta}(A)$  we have  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$ . So in  $N_{\alpha,\beta}(A)$  the point  $P_\alpha^\beta$  is inside or boundary for  $\triangle ABC$ ). But here, in  $N_\alpha^\beta(A)$ , there are 3 cases about the point  $P_\alpha^\beta$ : to be inside, boundary or outside for  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Note 4.1** In the definition of  $N_\alpha^\beta(A)$  the restriction  $\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1$  is observed. Therefore  $N_\alpha^\beta(A)$  is really an intuitionistic fuzzy set.

There is the following dependence in the geometric interpretation:

- 1) If  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$  then  $N_\alpha^\beta(A) = N_{\alpha,\beta}(A)$
- 2) If  $1 < \alpha + \beta < 2$  then  $N_\alpha^\beta(A) = N_{\alpha,1-\alpha}(A)$  (Fig.14)

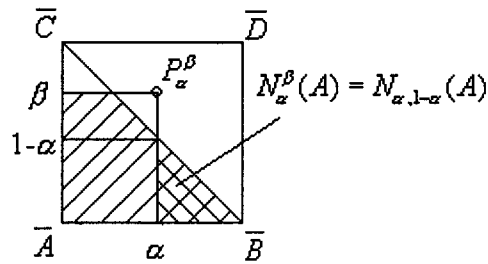


Fig.14

**Definition.5** A set of  $((\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\beta_1, \beta_2))$ -level, generated by an IFS A, is defined as:

$${}^{\beta_1}_{\alpha_1}N^{\beta_2}_{\alpha_2}(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1, \\ \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha_1, \nu_A(x) \leq \beta_1, \mu_A(x) \geq \alpha_2, \nu_A(x) \leq \beta_2 \}$$

$$\alpha_1 \leq \mu_A(x) \leq \alpha_2, \beta_1 \leq \nu_A(x) \leq \beta_2, \\ 0 \leq \alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \leq 1, 0 \leq \beta_1 \leq \beta_2 \leq 1 \quad \}$$

Here we have again that  $\alpha_1 + \beta_1 \leq 2$ ,  $\alpha_2 + \beta_2 \leq 2$  like in the definition of  $N_\alpha^\beta(A)$ .

We will say that  ${}_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_1}N_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A)$  is an trivial set of  $((\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\beta_1, \beta_2))$ -level if one of the following 3 cases is executed:

- 1)  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$ ,  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$       2)  $\alpha_1 \neq \alpha_2$ ,  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$       3)  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$ ,  $\beta_1 \neq \beta_2$

Such trivial sets we will note with  ${}_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_1}\widetilde{N}_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A)$  to make difference between trivials sets and the others.

The set  ${}_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_1}N_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A)$  where  $\alpha_1 \neq \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 \neq \beta_2$  we will name non-trivial. We will work only with non-trivial sets.

From the two previous definitions follows that every set  ${}_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_1}N_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A)$  corresponds with exactly 4 sets  $N_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_1}(A)$ ,  $N_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A)$ ,  $N_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_2}(A)$ ,  $N_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_1}(A)$ . On the other hand we know that every set  $N_\alpha^\beta(A)$  corresponds with a point  $P_\alpha^\beta$  from the square  $\overline{ABDC}$ . Therefore  ${}_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_1}N_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A)$  corresponds with exactly 4 points  $P_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_1}$ ,  $P_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}$ ,  $P_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_2}$ ,  $P_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_1}$  (we will note them with  $P_1^1, P_2^2, P_1^2, P_2^1$  for our facilitation).

(Fig. 15.1, 15.2)

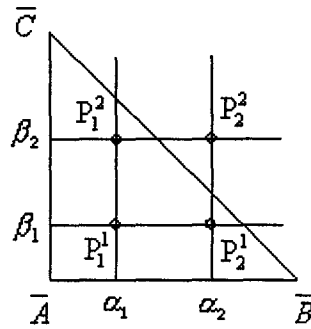


Fig.15.1

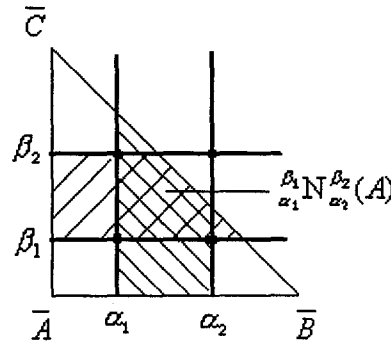


Fig.15.2

Since we have 4 points and have 3 cases for every point ( $P_\alpha^\beta$  is inside, boundary or outside for  $\overline{ABC}$ ), then we have the most  $3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 = 81$  possibilities about the mutual position of  $P_1^1, P_2^2, P_1^2, P_2^1$ , thence there are the most 81 cases about the view of  ${}_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_1}N_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A)$ . But we have the restrictions  $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2$ ,  $\beta_1 < \beta_2$  ( $\Rightarrow \alpha_1 + \beta_1 < \alpha_2 + \beta_2$ ) and therefore we have to look at only these 3 cases:

- 1)  $\alpha_2 + \beta_2 \leq 1$

In this case  $P_2^2 \in \overline{ABC}$  (inside or boundary).

- 2)  $\alpha_1 + \beta_1 = 1$

We get  ${}_{\alpha_1}^{\beta_1}N_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A) = \{x, \alpha_1, 1 - \alpha_1 \mid x \in E\}$ .

$$3) \alpha_1 + \beta_1 < 1, \alpha_2 + \beta_2 > 1$$

In this case  $P_1^1$  is inside and  $P_2^2$  is outside. Therefore the only thing that we have to do is to define if  $P_1^2$  and  $P_2^1$  are inside, boundary or outside. Therefore we have exactly  $3 \times 3 = 9$  possibilities.

If  $\alpha_1 + \beta_1 > 1$ , then  $\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) > 1$  and therefore  ${}^{\beta_1}N_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A) \equiv \emptyset$ .

From the three cases we get together 12 possibilities about the view of the set  ${}^{\beta_1}N_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A)$ .

**Definition.6** A cell, generated by an IFS  $A$ , is defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} {}^{\beta_1}Cell_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1, \\ \alpha_1 \leq \mu_A(x) \leq \alpha_2, \beta_1 \leq \nu_A(x) \leq \beta_2, \\ \alpha_1 + \beta_2 < 1, \alpha_2 + \beta_1 < 1, \alpha_2 + \beta_2 \leq 1, \\ 0 \leq \alpha_1 < \alpha_2 \leq 1, 0 \leq \beta_1 < \beta_2 \leq 1 \} \end{aligned}$$

One cell has the following geometric interpretation (Fig.16,17):

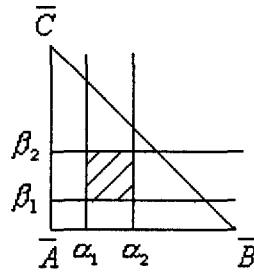


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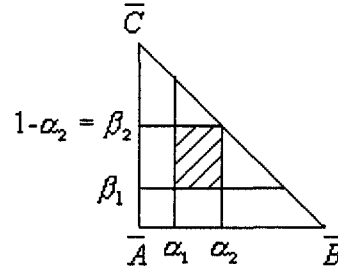


Fig.17

**Definition.7** A semicell, generated by an IFS  $A$ , is defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} {}^{\beta_1}SCell_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1, \\ \alpha_1 \leq \mu_A(x) \leq \alpha_2, \beta_1 \leq \nu_A(x) \leq \beta_2, \\ \alpha_1 + \beta_2 = 1, \alpha_2 + \beta_1 = 1, \\ 0 \leq \alpha_1 < \alpha_2 \leq 1, 0 \leq \beta_1 < \beta_2 \leq 1 \} \end{aligned}$$

Here is the geometric interpretation of a semicell (Fig.18):

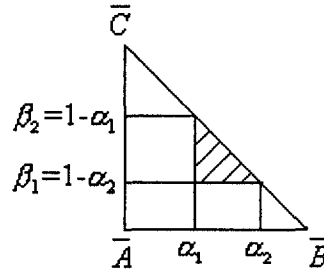


Fig.18

We have to note that a cell and a semicell  ${}^{\beta_1}Cell_{\alpha_2}^{\beta_2}(A)$  are also IFSs because the restriction  $\mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1$  is observed in the two previous definitions.

**Definition.8** Lets  $0 = \alpha_0 < \alpha_1 < \alpha_2 < \dots < \alpha_{n-1} < \alpha_n = 1$ .

We put  $\beta_0 = 1 - \alpha_n = 0$

$$\dots$$

$$\beta_i = 1 - \alpha_{n-i} \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1, n$$

$$\dots$$

$$\beta_n = 1 - \alpha_0 = 1$$

Obviously  $0 = \beta_0 < \beta_1 < \beta_2 < \dots < \beta_{n-1} < \beta_n = 1$ .

Perfect n-net, generated by an IFS  $A$ , is defined as:

$$Net_n(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \mu_A(x) \in \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}, \\ \nu_A(x) \in \{\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_n\}, \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1 \} \quad \square$$

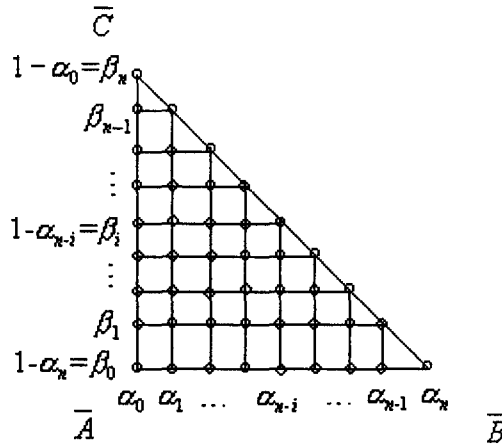


Fig.19

**Note 8.1** From the definition of perfect n-net we get that  $\triangle ABC$  can be splitted in exactly  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  cells and  $n$  semicells.

**Note 8.2** One finit set from  $n$  real numbers between 0 and 1 (where the first element is 0 and the last element is 1) defines a perfect net. The opposite statement is also true.

Similary a perfect n-net can be defined from every finit set of points which lie on the hypotenuse  $\overline{BC}$  of  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Note 8.3** From the definition of perfect n-net follows that:

$$1) \alpha_i + \beta_j = 1 \Leftrightarrow i + j = n$$

$$2) \alpha_i + \beta_j < 1 \Leftrightarrow i + j < n,$$

where  $\langle x, \alpha_i, \beta_j \rangle \in Grid_n(A)$ .

We can check easy that from the manner of defining  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=0}^n$  и  $\{\beta_j\}_{j=0}^n$  from the Definition.8 follows the next equivalence :  $\alpha_i + \beta_j > 1 \leftrightarrow i + j > n$ . Then we have thah  $\langle x, \alpha_i, \beta_j \rangle \notin \overline{\Delta ABC}$  for these ordered triads  $\langle x, \alpha_i, \beta_j \rangle$  for which  $\alpha_i + \beta_j > 1$ .

**Definition.9** Uniform perfect n-net with step  $h$ ,  $h \in (0, 1]$ , generated by an IFS  $A$ , is defined as:

$$Net_{h,n}(A) = \{ \langle x, \mu_A(x), \nu_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in E, \mu_A(x) \in \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}, \\ \nu_A(x) \in \{\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_n\}, \mu_A(x) + \nu_A(x) \leq 1 \},$$

where  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=0}^n$  и  $\{\beta_j\}_{j=0}^n$  are defined in the following inductive way:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_0 &= 0, \quad 0 \leq \alpha_k \leq 1, \quad \alpha_k = \alpha_{k-1} + h \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n \\ 0 \leq b_l \leq 1, \quad b_l &= 1 - \alpha_{n-l} \quad \text{for } l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

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