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Polycontextural semiotic operations

For Rose, this article, which I started more than 8 years ago in „Ye Olde Lantern“ from where I tried to go on Panizza’s trip to the moon by aid of the trans-operators.

1. Contextures and number structures

On the basis of Rudolf Kaehr’s work (cf. bibliography), it is now possible, to reformulate the contexture-free polycontextural.-semiotic notations given in Toth (2003, pp. 36 ss.) in order to obtain a relatively complete organon of polycontextural semiotic operations which form, together with other topics, the heart of polycontextural semiotics. This will turn out to be of much bigger importance than the analysis of sub-signs or semioses.

2. The following table gives the three number structures of proto-, deuterio- and trito-numbers for the first three contextures C1 – C3:

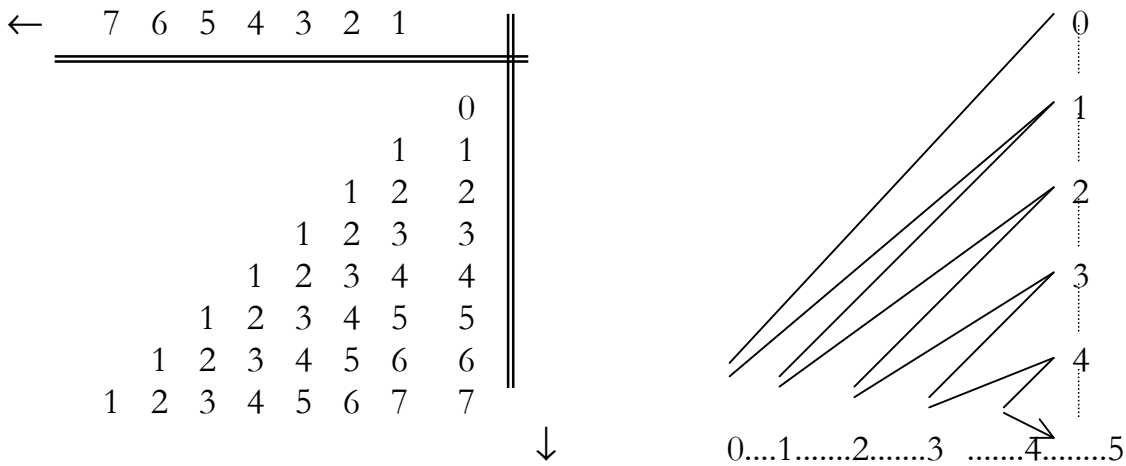
Proto	Deutero	Trito	Deci		
0	0	(1.1), (1.2), (2.1), (2.2)	0	0	C1
00 01	00 01	(2.2), (2.3), (3.2), (3.3)	00 01	0 1	C2
000 001 012	000 001 012	(1.1), (1.3), (3.1), (3.3)	000 001 010 011 012	0 1 3 4 5	C3

As one sees easily, we have

Trito-Structure \subset Deutero-Strucure \subset Protostructure, but

$C1 \not\subset C2 \not\subset C3$.

According to the decimal equivalents to the right, we also see 1) that the Peano number 2 cannot be represented by a kenogramm, and 2) that many numbers are represented in different contexts and number structures. However, with that, the question arises how trito-numbers are to be introduced. Günther (1976-80, II, p. 261) had suggested that qualitative numbers are counted along two number axes which are orthogonal to one another. Therefore, trito-numbers are introduced, like proto- and deutero-numbers, but different from the Peano numbers, in a two-dimensional, planar way.



Summing up: In order to inaugurate a qualitative mathematics and a structural semiotics, proto- and deutero-numbers are not sufficient, because they still can be displayed in pure quantities, i.e. as pairs (m: n) and as partitions (mⁿ). Since this is not the case anymore for trito-numbers, they form the basis for qualitative mathematics and structural semiotics. However, one must not forget that the trito-numbers are just *differentiae specifica* of the deutero-numbers, and the deutero-numbers just *differentiae specifica* of the proto-numbers (cf. in German Individuum-Art-Gattung).

2. Polycontextural operators

We differentiate between Intra- and Trans-operators (cf. Kronthaler 1986, pp. 37 ss.). Intra-operators connect qualitative numbers of the same quality, i.e. the same length, and cannot go out of a contexture. Trans-operators connect qualitative numbers of different qualities, i.e. length, and go between different contextures.

2.1. Intra-operators

2.1.1. Ein- und mehr-stellige Intra-Operatoren

As examples, trito-numbers are chosen, since several operators are non-trivial only for those. As examples for mappings of sub-signs and sign-relations to kenograms cf. Toth (2009).

2.1.1.1. Delete

Symbol: L^i . Deletes the i -th position, i.e. of w_i .

Example for $i = 1$: $L^0(001023) = \emptyset 01023$

Example for $i = 2$: $L^{1,3}(001023) = 0\emptyset 1\emptyset 23$.

Example for $i = m^*$ (delete all positions):

$L_6(001023) = \emptyset\emptyset\emptyset\emptyset\emptyset\emptyset$.

2.1.1.2. Insert

Symbol: B_h^i . Inserts the value h in the place i .

Example for $i = 3$ and $h = 2$: $B_2^3(001\emptyset 23) = 001223$.

Example for $i = 1, j = 3, h = 0$ and $k = 0$: $B_{0\ 0}^{1\ 3}(0\emptyset 1\emptyset 23) = 001023$.

Example for $B_{h,k,\dots,l,m}^*$ (Insert h, k, \dots, l, m into all places):

$B_{001023}(\emptyset\emptyset\emptyset\emptyset\emptyset\emptyset) = 001023$.

2.1.1.3. Nulling

Symbol: N^i . Nulling of the i -th position, d.h. $w_i \rightarrow 0$.

Example for $i = 5$: $N^5(001023) = 001020$.

Example for N^{ij} ($w_i \rightarrow 0$ und $w_j \rightarrow 0$), $i = 4, j = 5$: $N^{45}(001023) = 001000$.

Example for N_m^* (Nulling of all positions): $N_6(001023) = 000000$.

2.1.1.4. Maximizing

Symbol: M^i . Maximizing w_i .

Example for $i = 1$: $M^1(001023) = 011023$.

Example for M^{ij} (Maximizing of w_i and w_j), $i = 1, j = 2$:
 $M^{1,2}(001023) = 012023$.

Example for M_m^* (maximizing of all positions): $M_6(001023) = 012345$.

2.1.1.5. Change of insertion

Symbol: W_h^i . $w_i \rightarrow h$.

Example for $i = 3, h = 1$: $W_h^i(001023) = 001123$.

Example for W_{hk}^{ij} ($w_i \rightarrow h$ and $w_j \rightarrow k$), $i = 3, h = 1, j = 5, k = 1$:
 $W_{11}^{35}(001023) = 001121$.

Example for $W_{h,k,\dots,l,m}^*$ (Change of insertion of all places): $W_{012000}(001023) = 012000$.

2.1.1.6. Transposition

Symbol: T_h^i . Transposition of w_i and w_h .

Example for $i = 3, h = 4$: $T_4^3(001023) = 001203$.

Example for T_{hk}^{ij} ($w_i \rightarrow w_h$ and $w_j \rightarrow w_k$), $i = 3, h = 4, j = 4, k = 5$:

$$T_{4\ 5}^3(001023) = 001230.$$

For complete transposition cf. 2.1.1.7. Permutation.

2.1.1.7. Permutation

Symbol: $P_{i_0 \dots i_{m-1}}^*$. $w_0 \dots w_{m-1} \rightarrow w_{i_0} \dots w_{i_{m-1}}$.

Example: $P_{124530}(001023) = 012300$.

2.1.1.8. Partial reflection

Symbol: $R^{\square\square\square\square\blacksquare}$. Partial reflection of the i positions, marked by \blacksquare .

Examples: $R^{\square\square\square\blacksquare}(001023) = 001320 = 001230$.

$R^{\blacksquare\square\square\square}(001023) = 010023$.

Example for R_m^* (total reflection): $R_6(001023) = 320100 = 012300$.

2.1.1.9. Quasi Intra Reflection

Symbol: $\text{r}R^{\square\square\square\square\blacksquare}$. Works like 2.1.1.8., however, not as mapping $K_m \rightarrow K_m$, but into the reflected contexture $K_m \rightarrow {}_mK$, i.e., normal form transformation which may be necessary after the reflection, works not on K_m , but on ${}_mK$.

Example: $\text{r}R^{\square\square\square\blacksquare}(001023) = 0320100$.

Example for $\text{r}R_m^*$ (Quasi-Intra-Total-Reflection): $\text{r}R_m(001023) = 320100$.

2.1.2. One-PLACED Intra Operators

2.1.2.1. Normal form Operator

Symbol: $N: PN \rightarrow PN, DN \rightarrow DN, TN \rightarrow TN$ ($PN =$.Proto-number, etc).

Example: $N(2838538) = 0121321$.

2.1.2.2. Constancy Operator

The constancy operator K_{z_m} maps all kenograms onto $z_m \in K_m$ ab. Special cases are the operators L_m (chap. 2.1.1.1.), N_m (chap. 2.1.1.3) und M_m (chap. 2.1.1.4).

2.1.2.3. Reflectors

Symbol: $R_m, {}^iR_m, T_m \rightarrow {}_mT$, cf. chap. 2.1.1.8. and chap. 2.1.1.9.

2.1.2.4. Intra-Successor

2.1.2.4.1. Proto-Intra-Successor i_pN_m

Examples: p_m 0000 0001 0012
 p'_m 0001 0012 0123

2.1.2.4.2. Deutero-Intra-Successor i_DN_m

Examples: d_m 000123, 0001112223, 00123
 d'_m 001122, 0001112233, 01234

2.1.2.4.3. Trito-Intra-Successor i_TN_m

Examples: t_m 00 n
 t'_m 01 t'_m $0^1 \leftrightarrow \underline{1}^1$

t_m 000, 000, 000
 t'_m 010, 001, 012

t_m 0000, 0000, 0000, 0000
 t'_m 0010, 0001, 0012, 0123

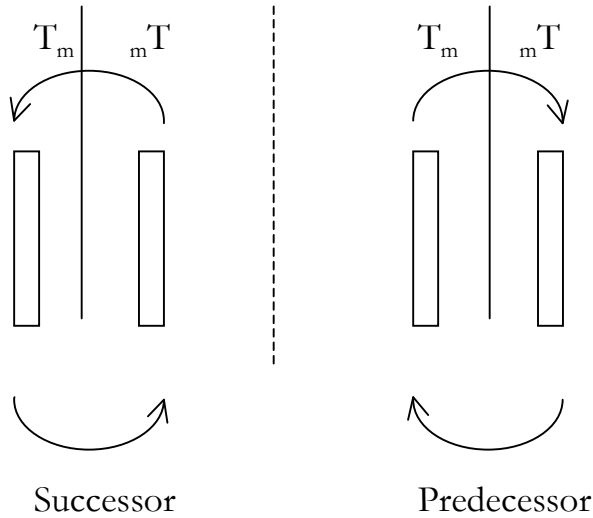
2.1.2.5. Intra-Predecessor

2.1.2.6. n-times Intra-Successor ${}^iN^n$ and -Predecessor ${}^iV^n$

If the successor iN_m or the predecessor iV_m , respectively, work n-times after one another, then we have ${}^iN^n_m$ bzw. ${}^iV^n_m$ (Kronthaler 1986, p. 45).

2.1.2.7. Total Reflector rR_m

Inside of the complete system



for every kenogram „the number of its successor is even to the number of its predecessor and each time finite, if one counts only once. The application of the successor and predecessor operations is here unlimited, it can be applied infinite times after one another [...]. The Intra-operators, introduced up to now, especially successor and predecessor, are valid also in each of their reflected structures ${}_mK = {}^rR(K_m)$ " (Kronthaler 1986, p. 48 s.):

Example: \uparrow Predecessor	000123	321000	Successor \uparrow
	<u>001234</u>	<u>432100</u>	
\downarrow Successor	012345	543210	Predecessor \downarrow

2.1.3. Multi-PLACED Intra-Operators

2.1.3.1. Intra-Addition +

2.1.3.1.1. Proto-Intra-Addition

Example:
$$\begin{array}{r} 5:1 \quad 00000 \\ \underline{5:3 \quad 00012} \\ 5:4 \quad 00123 \end{array}$$

Another display uses the successor ${}^iN_m^n$. If one lets the indices away, we obtain: $p^s = p^i + p^j = N^j(p^i) = N^i(p^j)$.

Example: $p^1 + p^3 = N^3(p^1) = N^1(p^3) = N^3(00000) = N^1(00012) = 00123$.

2.1.3.1.2. Deutero-Intra-Addition

Example:
$$\begin{array}{r} \underline{\quad\quad 000111 \quad + \quad 000123 \quad = \quad 012345} \\ N^1 \quad 000112 \quad 000112 \quad V^1 \\ N^2 \quad 000123 \quad 000111 \quad V^2 \\ N^3 \quad 001122 \quad 000012 \quad V^3 \\ N^4 \quad 001123 \quad 000011 \quad V^4 \\ N^5 \quad 001234 \quad 000001 \quad V^5 \\ N^6 \quad 012345 \quad \mathbf{000000} \quad V^6 \end{array}$$

2.1.3.1.3. Trito-Intra-Addition

Both methods, the ordinal and the one using the successor/predecessor auxiliary algorithm, correspond exactly to deutero-addition (Kronthaler 1986, p. 51; chap. 2.1.3.1.2.).

2.1.3.2. Intra-Subtraction –

Intra-Subtraction is the converse operation to Intra-Addition. For all three number structures, the same applies. Let be $i < j$. Then we get $d^j - d^i = d^{j-i} = V^n(d^i)$ with n from $V^n(d^i) = 0\dots\dots 0$ or $N^n(0\dots\dots 0) = d^i$ (Kronthaler 1986, p. 51).

2.1.3.3. Addition and subtraction in the system $K_m - {}_mK$

Example: $-0001203 \neq {}^tR(0001203) = 3021000$.

2.2. Trans-Operatoren

2.2.1. One- und multi-placed Trans-operators

2.2.1.1. Absorption

Symbol: $A_m^i = A(\text{ }^i \text{ })$. Absorbs the i -th position: $K_m \rightarrow K_{m-1}$, $m > 1$.

Example: $A^3(00102) = 0001$.

Symbol: $A_m^{ij} = A(\text{ }^{ij} \text{ })$. Absorbs the i -th and j -th position: $K_m \rightarrow K_{m-2}$, $m > 2$.

Example: $A^{13}(00102) = 001$.

Symbol: $A_m^{i_1, \dots, i_n}$. Absorbs i_1, \dots, i_n : $K_m \rightarrow K_{m-n}$, $n < m$.

Example: $A(00102) = 01$.

Symbol: $A_m^{(m-1)}$. Absorbs all but 1 position: $K_m \rightarrow K_1$.

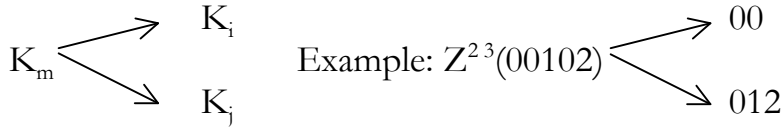
Example: $A^{(4)}(00102) = 0$.

Symbol: A_m^* . Total absorption: $K_m \rightarrow \bullet$ (Extincter).

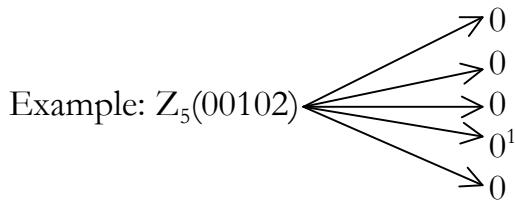
Example: $A_5(00102) = \bullet$.

2.2.1.2. Splitting

Symbol: Z_m^{ij} . Splits a kenogram in two parts of lengths i and j , $i + j = m$:



Z_m^* : Splitting of the kenogram in single parts of length 1.



2.2.1.3. Iteration

Symbol: ${}_m I_j^i$. Iterates the i -th position j -times: $K_m \rightarrow K_{m+j}$.

Example: $I_3^2(00102) = 00111102$.

Symbol: ${}_m I_{j_1}^{i_1} \dots {}_m I_{j_l}^{i_l}$. Iterates the i -th position j -times and the k -th position l -times: $K_m \rightarrow K_{m+j+l}$.

Example: ${}_m I_{32}^{02}(00102) = 0000011102$.

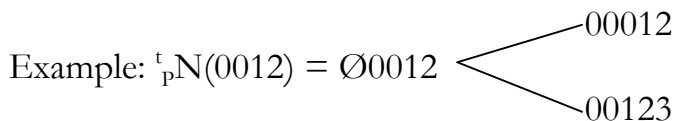
Symbol: ${}_m I_{j_0, \dots, j_{m-1}}^*$. Iterator as a special case of a successor.

Example: $I_{31232}(00102) = 0000001110000222$.

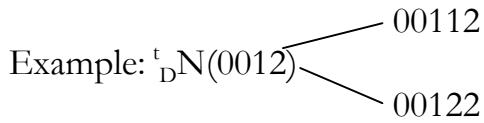
2.2.2. One-PLACED Trans-operators

2.2.2.1. Trans-Successor ${}^t N_m$

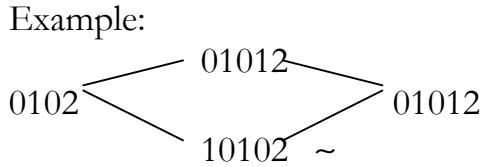
2.2.2.1.1. Proto-Trans-Successor ${}^t_p N_m$



2.2.2.1.2. Deutero-Trans-Successor ${}^t_D\mathbf{N}_m$

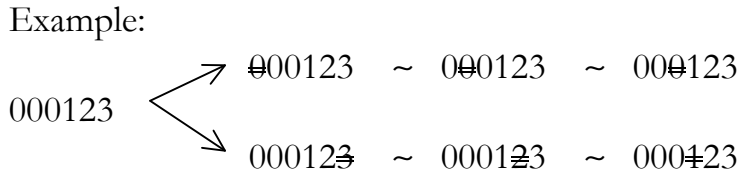


2.2.2.1.3. Trito-Trans-Successor ${}^t_T\mathbf{N}_m$



2.2.2.2. Trans-Predecessor ${}^t\mathbf{V}_m$

2.2.2.2.1. Proto-Trans-Predecessor ${}^t_P\mathbf{V}_m$



2.2.2.2.2. Deutero-Trans-Predecessor ${}^t_D\mathbf{V}_m$ and

2.2.2.2.3. Trito-Trans-Predecessor ${}^t_T\mathbf{V}_m$

Cf. Kronthaler (1986, pp. 59 ff.).

2.2.2.3. n-times Trans-Successor ${}^t\mathbf{N}_m^n$ and

2.2.2.4. n-times Trans-Predecessor ${}^t\mathbf{V}_m^n$

For ${}^t_P\mathbf{N}_m^n$, ${}^t_D\mathbf{N}_m^n$, ${}^t_T\mathbf{N}_m^n$ and ${}^t_P\mathbf{V}_m^n$, ${}^t_D\mathbf{V}_m^n$, ${}^t_T\mathbf{V}_m^n$ cf. Kronthaler (1986, pp. 62 ss.).

2.2.3. Multi-PLACED Trans-operators

2.2.3.1. Trans-Addition t

2.2.3.1.a. Absorptive Trans-Addition

2.2.3.1.a.1. Totally absorptive Trans-Addition

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Left-Absorption: } z_m + z_n \\ \text{Right-Absorption: } z_n + z_m \end{array} \right\} = z_n$$

2.2.3.1.a.1.1. Canonical cases

$$\underline{01023} \text{ t } \underline{010} = 01023$$

$$01\underline{023} \text{ t } \underline{012} = 01023$$

2.2.3.1.a.1.2. Absorption under Splitting

If the Splitting has length 1, only the lengths of the summands n and m are taken in consideration, because we have:

$$\boxed{0} \sim \boxed{1} \sim \boxed{2} \sim \dots$$

Another possibility to differentiate concerns the length of single Splitting-parts (Kronthaler 1986, pp.67 ss.):

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Length 1: } 0 \quad 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 3 \\ \quad \quad \quad \boxed{0 \ | \ 1 \ | \ 2 \ | \ 3 \ | \ 4} \\ \text{Lenght 1-2-3: } 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 3 \\ \quad \quad \quad \boxed{0 \ | \ 0 \ 0 \ | \ 1} \text{ impossible!} \end{array}$$

(Kronthaler 1986, p. 66).

2.2.3.1.a.2. Teilabsorptive Trans-Addition

Example: $0 \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} 0 \ 2 = 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 0$

t $\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$

absorbs 2 positions, juxtaposes 1 position: $T_{5+1} = T_6$.

left-absorptiv: $t_m \ t \ t_n = t_s$ right-absorptiv: $t_n \ t \ t_m = t'_s$

In the following example, both cases be right-absorptive. What has been absorbed, is split:

$$\boxed{0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 3} \ t \ \boxed{0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2} = 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 3 \ \boxed{2}$$

What is absorbing, is split:

$$\boxed{0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 3} \ t \ \boxed{0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2} = \boxed{0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 2 \ 3}$$

2.2.3.1.b. Juxtapositive Trans-Addition

2.2.3.1.b.1. Canonical cases

2.2.3.1.b.1.1. Normal form juxtapositive t-Addition

Trito-numbers: $\boxed{0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2} \ t \ \boxed{0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 0} =$

$$\boxed{0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 0} \neq$$

$$\boxed{0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 0} \ t \ \boxed{0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2} = \boxed{0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2}$$

Deutero-numbers: 00112 t 001123 = 00112001123 ~ 00001111223

Proto-numbers: 0012 t 001201 impossible, since 0 can be iterated!

2.2.3.1.b.1.2. Juxtaposition to the normal form of equivalent enograms

Example: 010 t 00 = 01000

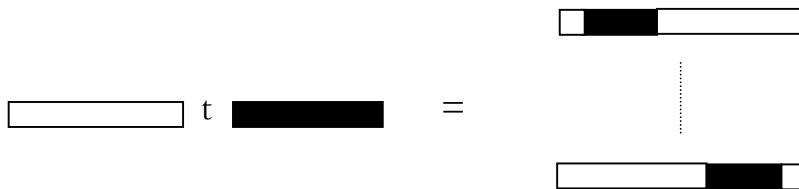
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22 ~ 01033 ~ ...

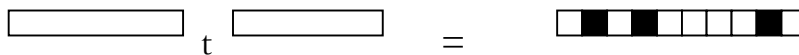
2.2.3.1.b.2. Splitting

2.2.3.1.b.2.1. One summand appears in normal form, the other is split arbitrarily (Kronthaler 1986, p. 67):

Splitting left (analogously right)



2.2.3.1.b.2.2. Both summands are split in arbitrary form (total splitting)



2.2.3.1.c. Juxtapositive Trans-Addition

Cf. Kronthaler (1986: 67).

2.2.3.1.d. t-Addition → i-Addition

Cf. Kronthaler (1986: 67f.).

2.2.3.1.1. Proto-Trans-Addition

2.2.3.1.1.1. Absorptive Proto-Trans-Addition

Total Absorption:

$$\begin{array}{rcccccc}
 P_m & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 6:4 \text{ but cf.} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 6:4 \\
 & & & | & | & | & & & & & | & | & | & | & \\
 t & & & 0 & 1 & 2 & & 3:3 & t & & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5:5 \\
 \hline
 & = & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 6:4 & = & \text{impossible}
 \end{array}$$

Partial Absorption:

$$\begin{array}{rcccccc}
 P_{n+m-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 6:4 & \text{and} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 6:4 \\
 & & & | & & & & & & & & | & & & & \\
 t & & & 0 & 1 & 2 & & 3:3 & t & & & 0 & 1 & 2 & & 3:3 \\
 \hline
 & = & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 8:6 & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 8:5
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcccccccc}
 P_{n+m-4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 10:6 \\
 & & & | & | & | & | & & & & & \\
 t & & & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 8:7 \\
 \hline
 & = & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 14:10 \text{ and} \\
 & & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & & & & 10:6 \\
 & & & & & | & | & | & | & & & & & & & & \\
 t & & & & & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & & & & & & 7:6 \\
 \hline
 & = & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 14:9
 \end{array}$$

2.2.3.1.3. Trito-Trans-Addition

2.2.3.1.3.1. Absorptive Trito-t-Addition

Examples:

Totally absorptive Trito-Trans-Addition:

Partially absorptive Trito-Trans-Addition:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} & 0 & 1 & \boxed{0} & \boxed{2} & \boxed{1} & 3 \\ \text{t} & \hline & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ = & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} & 0 & 1 & \boxed{0} & \boxed{2} & \boxed{1} & \boxed{3} \\ \text{t} & \hline & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \\ = & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 \end{array}$$

2.2.3.1.3.2. Juxtapositive Trito-t-Addition

2.2.3.1.3.2.1. Canonical cases

2.2.3.1.3.2.1.1. Normalform-Juxtapositiv

Cf. Kronthaler (1986, p. 72).

2.2.3.1.3.2.1.2. Juxtaposition von Trito-Äquivalenzen

Example:

012	t	01	=	01201	=	01221	Repertoire: {0, ..., 4}
				10		13	
				02		31	Choice: 01 12 23 34
				20		14 41	02 13 24
				03		23	03 14
				30		32	04
				04 40		24 42	
				12		34 43	+ permutations

2.2.3.1.3.2.2. Splitting

For Splitting of one or two summands cf. Kronthaler (1986, p. 73).

2.2.3.2. Trans-Subtraction \lrcorner

2.2.3.2.1. Juxtapositive t-Subtraction (partial subtraction)

2.2.3.2.1.1. Total juxtapositive t-Subtraction

Example: $0010 \lrcorner 01 = 001001$.

2.2.3.2.1.2. Teiljuxtapositive t-Subtraction

2.2.3.2.1.2.1. In normal form

Example:

$$0 \boxed{0 \ 1 \ 0} \ 2 \ 2 \lrcorner \boxed{0 \ 1 \ 0} \ 2 = 0 \ 2 \ 2 \ 2 \sim 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1$$

2.2.3.2.1.2.2. In einer zur Normalform äquivalenten Form

Example:

$$0 \ 0 \ 1 \ \boxed{0 \ 2 \ 2} \lrcorner \boxed{0 \ 1 \ 1} \ 2 = 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 2$$

2.2.3.2.2. Total-t-Subtraction

2.2.3.2.2.1. Canonical case: Normal form-Subtraction

Example:

$$0 \ \boxed{0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2} \ 2 \lrcorner \boxed{0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 2} = 02 \sim 01$$

2.2.3.2.2.2. t-Subtraction of equivalent forms

Example:

$$0 \ 0 \ 1 \ \boxed{0 \ 2 \ 2} \lrcorner \boxed{0 \ 1 \ 1} = 0 \ 0 \ 1$$

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