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## Finite Representation of Continuous Functions, Nina Bary's Wrinkled Functions and Foran's Condition M.

In [1](pp. 222;229;237;611), Nina Bary shows the following chain of inclusions: quasi-derivable  $\subseteq$  S + S  $\subseteq$  C = S + S + S , for continuous functions on [0,1].

It can be shown that above, Banach's condition S can be replaced by  $GE(1) \cap T_1 \subsetneq S$ , where GE(1) is defined using condition E(1) of [6].

In our paper we define conditions  $GAC_*D_1^* \subsetneq GAC_*D_1 \subset GE(1) \cap T_1$  for continuous functions on [0,1], with which we improve the above results. (Following Nina Bary's proof of [1],p.222, conditions  $GAC_*D_1^*$  and  $GAC_*D_1$  are very natural.)

To prove that  $S + S \neq G$ , Nina Bary introduced the wrinkled functions W (she called them "fonctions ridées", [1],p.236) and showed that  $W \neq \emptyset$  (see the example of [1],pp.241-248; see also [5] or [3]) and  $W \cap (N + \text{quasi-derivable}) = \emptyset$  (see [1],p.237), hence  $W \cap (N + N) = \emptyset$ , for continuous functions on [0,1].

In our paper we give characterizations of the wrinkled functions which show that between Foran's condition M (introduced in 1979 in [8]) and these functions there is a very close relationship. So we improve Nina Bary's results on wrinkled functions. Finally we construct a wrinkled function which is approximately derivable at no point of [0,1] and for which each level set is perfect.

Let  $\mathcal{C} = \{F : F \text{ is continuous}\}$ . Banach's conditions  $T_1, T_2, S$ , Lusin's condition N and conditions VB, VB, AC, AC, VBG, VBG, ACG, ACG are defined in [13]; E(N) and  $\mathcal{C}$  in [6].

Definition 1.([1],p.236). Let Q be a measurable real set and let  $f:Q \to R$ . f is a wrinkled function,  $f \in W$ , if for every measurable subset  $A \subset Q$ , |A| > 0, f is monotone on some  $B \subset A$ , where |B| = 0, f(B) is measurable and |f(B)| > 0. (Without loss of generality A may be supposed to be perfect, since a measurable set is the union of a  $F_{q}$ -set and a null set.)

Definition 2.([1],p.178). A continuous function  $f:[0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is quasi-derivable if on each interval f'(x) exists and is finite at every point x of a set which has positive measure.

Definition 3. ([8]). A continuous function fulfils Foran's condition M if it is AC on any set on which it is VB.

Definition 4.([12],p.406). A function f is  $D_1$  (resp.  $D_1^*$ ) on a set E if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a sequence  $\{I_i\}$  of nonoverlapping closed (resp. of open) intervals which covers E and  $\sum_i O(f; E \cap I_i) < \varepsilon$  (resp.  $\sum_i O(f; I_i) < \varepsilon$ ).

A function f is  $E_1(1,1)$  on E if  $f \in D_1$  on Z, whenever  $Z \subset E$ , [Z] = 0.

Remark 1. a) In [12], Lee calls condition  $D_1$ ,  $D_1(1)$  and he shows that  $E_1(1,1)$  and E(1) (see [6]) are equivalent (see [12], Remark 14,p.416). Another condition which is equivalent with E(1) is given by Iseki (see [12],pp.415-416). b) Clearly  $D_1^* \subset D_1$ .

<u>Definition 5.</u>([12],p.416). For a function property P (resp. for function properties  $P_1$  and  $P_2$ ) on sets we say that a function

f is generalized P (resp. generalized  $P_1P_2$ ) on E, writing  $f \in GP$  (resp.  $f \in GP_1P_2$ ) on E, if E can be written as the union of countably many sets on each of which f is P (resp. f is  $P_1$  or f is  $P_2$ ). Thus we have properties like  $GD_1^*$ ;  $GD_1$ ;  $GAC_*D_1^*$ ; GE(1).

Remark 2. a)  $GD_1^* = D_1^*$  on a set.

- b) If  $f \in D_1$  on a set E then |f(E)| = 0 and  $f \in E(1)$  on E. Hence, if  $f \in GD_1$  on E then |f(E)| = 0 and  $f \in GE(1)$  on E.
- c) If f is a Darboux function and  $f \in GD_1$  on an interval then f is a constant.
- d) Let f be a nonconstant continuous function on [0,1]. If A is a countable dense subset of [0,1] then  $f \notin D_1^{\sharp}$  on [0,1] and  $f \in D_1^{\sharp}$  on (e)  $\mathcal{C} \cap GAC_*D_1 \subset T_1$  on an interval (see [13], Theorem 7.2,p.230, Theorem 6.2,p.278 and Remark 2,b)).

Remark 3. For continuous functions on [0,1], we have:  $\mathcal{E} \stackrel{(1)}{\rightleftharpoons} \mathbb{N} \stackrel{(2)}{\rightleftharpoons} \mathbb{M} \stackrel{(3)}{\rightleftharpoons} \text{ quasi-derivable} \stackrel{(4)}{\rightleftharpoons} S+S \stackrel{(5)}{\rightleftharpoons} \text{ quasi-derivable}$ + quasi-derivable =  $\mathcal{E} = S+S+S$ .

Proof. For (1) see [6],p.208; for (2) see [8],p.84; for (3)
see [8],p.87; for (4) see [1],p.222,p.229; for (6) see [1],p.599,
hence (5) follows by (6) and [1],p.237; for (7) see [1],p.611.

Proposition 1. For continuous functions on [0,1] we have:

GAC,  $D_1^* \subseteq GAC$ ,  $D_1 \subseteq GE(1) \cap T_1 \subseteq \mathcal{E} \cap T_1 \subseteq S$ .

<u>Proof.</u> For (3), see the definitions and for (4) see [6],p. 208. Clearly GAC,  $D_1 \subset GAC$ ,  $D_1 \subset GE(1) \cap T_1$  (see Remark 2,e)). It remains to show that (1) is strict. Let C be the Centor ternary set and let  $\mathcal P$  be the Cantor ternary function. Let  $\{I_n^k\}$ ,  $n=1,2,\ldots,2^{k-1}$  be the open intervals excluded at the step k in the

Cantor ternary process. Let  $c_n^k$  be the middle point of  $I_n^k$ . Let  $f: [0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , f(x) = 0,  $x \in C$ ;  $f(c_n^k) = 1/2^k$ . Extending f linearly, we have f defined and continuous on [0,1]. Clearly  $f \in GAC_*D_1$  on [0,1] and  $f \in ACG_{\bullet}$  on [0,1] - C. Suppose that  $f \in GAC_{\bullet}D_1^*$  on C. Then there exists a sequence of sets  $\{E_n\}$  such that  $C = \bigcup E_n$  and either  $f \in AC_{+}$  on  $E_{n}$  or  $f \in D_{1}^{*}$  on  $E_{n}$ . Let p be a natural number such that f is AC, on  $E_p$ . Since  $f \in C$  it follows that f is AC, on  $\overline{E}_p$ . We prove that  $f \in D_1^*$  on  $\overline{E}_p$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and let  $\varepsilon$  be given by the fact that  $f \in AC_{+}$  on  $\overline{E}_{p}$ . Since  $f \in G$  and  $|\overline{E}_{p}| = 0$  we can cover  $E_{p}$  with a sequence of nonoverlapping intervals  $\{I_n\}$  such that  $\sum |I_n| < S$  and  $\sum O(f;I_n) < \mathcal{E}$  . Hence  $f \in D_1^*$  on  $\overline{E}_p$ . It follows that  $f \in GD_1^*$  on C, hence  $f \in D_1^{\#}$  on C. We show that  $f \notin D_1^{\#}$  on C. Let  $C \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} (a_i, b_i)$ . For each i let  $J_i$  be the greatest excluded open interval (in the Cantor ternary process) contained in [ai,bi] , where ai =  $\inf((a_i,b_i)\cap C)$  and  $b_i' = \sup((a_i,b_i)\cap C)$ . Suppose that  $J_i$  is excluded at the step k. Then

$$\begin{split} J_{1} &= (\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} c_{i}/3^{i} + \sum_{i=k+1}^{\infty} 2/3^{i} , \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} c_{i}/3^{i} + 2/3^{k}). \text{ Let} \\ J_{1}^{i} &= \left[\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} c_{i}/3^{i} , \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} c_{i}/3^{i} + \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} 2/3^{i}\right]. \text{ Then } \left[a_{1}^{i}, b_{1}^{i}\right] \subset J_{1}^{i} , \\ \text{hence } C \subset \bigcup J_{1}^{i}. \text{ We have } O(f; J_{1}^{i}) = O(f; J_{1}^{i}) = |\Psi(J_{1}^{i})| = 1/2^{k} , \\ \left[0, 1\right] &= \Psi(C) \subset \bigcup \Psi(J_{1}^{i}), \text{ hence } \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} O(f; (a_{1}^{i}b_{1}^{i})) \geqslant \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} O(f; J_{1}^{i}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\Psi(J_{1}^{i})| \geqslant 1 \text{ and } f \notin D_{1}^{\#} \text{ on } C. \end{split}$$

Theorem 1. Let  $F: [0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $F \in \mathcal{C} \cap \text{quasi-derivable}$ . Let a > 0,  $\emptyset \subseteq P \subset [0,1]$  be a perfect nowhere dense set and let  $D = \{x \in [0,1] - P : F \text{ is derivable at } x\}$ . Then there exist a set Q of

 $F_r$ -type, QCD, |Q| = |D| and two continuous functions  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  such that: a)  $F(x) = f_1(x) + f_2(x)$  on [0,1]; b)  $f_1, f_2 \in D_1^{\sharp}$  on  $Q^c$  = [0,1] - Q; c)  $f_1, f_2 \in ACG$ , on Q; d)  $|f_2(x)| < 3a$  on [0,1] and  $f_2(0) = f_2(1) = 0$ .

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $P_1$  be a perfect nowhere dense subset of D,  $|P_1| > 0$ . We shall construct a strictly increasing sequence  $\{P_k\}$ , k = 2,3,...of nowhere dense perfect subsets of D such that  $P_k - P_{k-1}$  is a nowhere dense subset of positive measure in each  $\overline{I}_n^{k-1}$  and |Q| =|D|, where  $I_n^k$  are the intervals contiguous to  $P_k$ , k = 2,3,... and  $Q = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} P_k$ . Let  $g_1: [0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function such that:  $g_1(x) = F(x)$  on  $P_1$ ;  $g_1$  is a bounded derived number on each  $I_n^1$ ;  $g_1$ is constant on each  $I_n^2$ ;  $|h_1(x)| < a/2^{n+1}$  on each  $I_n^1$ , where  $h_1(x)$ =  $F(x) - g_1(x)$ . The existence of  $g_1$  follows by [1],pp.222-224. Since  $h_1 = 0$  on P, by [13] (Theorem 8.5,p.232), it follows that  $h_1$  $\in AC_1$  on  $P_1$ . By [13] (Theorem 10.5,p.235),  $F \in ACG_2$  on  $P_2$ . Clearly  $g_1 \in AC_2$  on each  $I_n^1$ . Since  $g_1 = F - h_1$  it follows that  $g_1 \in AC_2$  on  $P_1$ , hence  $g_1 \in ACG_2$  on [0,1]. Since  $F \in ACG_2$  on  $P_2$  it follows that  $h_1 \in ACG_2$  $ACG_{\star}$  on  $P_2$ . Since  $h_1 - F$  is constant on each  $I_n^2$ , it follows that h<sub>1</sub> is derivable on D-P<sub>2</sub>. Replacing F by h<sub>1</sub> we construct a continuous function  $g_2$ , analogously to the construction of  $g_1$ , such that  $g_2 = h_1$  on  $P_2$ ,  $g_2$  is  $ACG_2$  on [0,1],  $g_2$  is constant on each interval  $I_n^3$  and  $|h_2(x)| < a/2^{n+2}$  on each  $I_n^2$ , where  $h_2(x) = h_1(x)$ -  $g_2(x)$ . Then  $h_2(x) = 0$  on  $F_2$ ;  $h_2$  is  $ACG_2$  on  $P_3$ ;  $h_2$  is derivable on D-P<sub>3</sub>;  $|h_2(x)| < a/2^2$  on [0,1]. Continuing in this way we obtain two sequences of continuous functions  $\{g_i\}$ ,  $\{h_i\}$ , i = 2,3,...such that:

A.  $g_i = b_{i-1}$  on  $P_i$ ;  $g_i \in ACG_i$  on [0,1];  $g_i$  is constant on each

$$I_n^{i+1}$$
;

B.  $h_i = 0$  on  $P_i$ ;  $|h_i(x)| < a/2^{n+i}$  on  $I_n^i$ ;  $h_i \in ACG_*$  on  $P_{i+1}$ ;  $h_i = h_{i-1} - g_i$  is derivable on  $D - P_{i+1}$ .

Clearly

(1) 
$$|h_i(x)| < a/2^i \text{ on } [0,1].$$

Then we have  $F(x) = g_1(x) + \cdots + g_m(x) + h_m(x)$ , for each natural number m and by (1),  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g_i(x)$  converges uniformly to F(x). Let

$$F_1(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g_{2i-1}(x) ; F_2(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} g_{2i}(x) ; R_m(x) = \sum_{i=m}^{\infty} (h_i(x) - h_i(x))$$

 $h_{i+1}(x)$ ). Then  $F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{C}$  on [0,1] and  $F(x) = F_1(x) + F_2(x)$ .

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(2) 
$$F_1(x) = \sum_{i=1}^k g_{2i-1}(x) + R_{2k}(x)$$
;

(3) 
$$F_2(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} g_{2i}(x) + R_{2k+1}(x)$$
;

(4) 
$$R_i(x) = 0 \text{ on } P_i$$
;

(5) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} O(R_i; I_n^i) < a/2^{i-2}$$
.

By (4), (5) and [13] (Theorem 8.5,p.232) it follows that

(6) 
$$R_i(x)$$
 is  $AC_i$  on  $P_i$ .

Since  $\sum_{i=1}^{k} g_{2i-1}(x)$  is constant on each  $I_n^{2k}$ , it follows that

(7) 
$$O(F_1; I_n^{2k}) = O(R_{2k}; I_n^{2k}).$$

By A., (2) and (6), it follows that  $F_1$  is  $ACG_*$  on  $P_{2k}$ . Hence  $F_1$  is  $ACG_*$  on  $Q = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} P_i$ . Analogously  $F_2$  is  $ACG_*$  on Q. Moreover,

(8) 
$$|\mathbf{F}_{2}(\mathbf{x})| = |\mathbf{R}_{1}(\mathbf{x})| < \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\mathbf{h}_{i}(\mathbf{x})| < \mathbf{a}.$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and let k be a natural number such that  $a/2^{2k} < \epsilon$ . Then  $\epsilon^c \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty I_n^{2k+2}$  and by (5) and (7) it follows that  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty C(F_1;I_n^{2k+2}) < a/2^{2k} < \epsilon \text{ , hence } F_1 \text{ is } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Analogously,}$   $F_2 \text{ is } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2$  are  $D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2$  are  $D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2$  are  $D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2$  are  $D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2$  are  $D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ are } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ are } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ are } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ are } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ are } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ are } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ are } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ are } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ on } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ on } D_1^* \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } [0,1]; F_1, F_2 \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on } Q^c \text{ . Therefore we obtain: } F = F_1 + F_2 \text{ on }$ 

Corollary 1. Let a>0 and let P be a perfect nowhere dense subset of [0,1]. Let  $F:[0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $F \in \mathcal{C}$ . Then there exist two continuous functions  $F_1,F_2$  on [0,1] such that: a)  $F = F_1 + F_2$  on [0,1]; b)  $F_2 \in D_1^*$  on P and  $F_1 \in D_1$  on P; c)  $F_2(0) = F_2(1) = 0$ ; d)  $|F_2(x)| < \alpha$  on [0,1].

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $f:[0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function defined as follows: f(x) = F(x),  $x \in P \cup \{0,1\}$ ; f is linear on the closure of each interval contiguous to  $P \subset [0,1]$ . By Theorem 1,  $f = f_1 + f_2$  on [0,1];  $f_1,f_2 \in \mathcal{C}$  on [0,1];  $f_1,f_2 \in D_1^{\sharp}$  on P;  $f_2(0) = f_2(1) = 0$ ;  $|f_2(x)| < a$  on [0,1]. Let  $F_2 = f_2$  and  $F_1 = F - f_2$ . Then  $F_1 = f_1$  on P, hence  $F_1 \in D_1$  on P.

Corollary 2. Let a > 0 and let P be a perfect nowhere dense subset of [0,1]. Let  $F: [0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $F \in \mathcal{C}$ . Then there exists a perfect nowhere dense set  $Q \supset P$  such that  $Q \cap P$  is a perfect nowhere dense set of positive measure in each interval continuous to P and there exist two continuous functions  $F_1, F_2$  on [0,1] such

that: a)  $F = F_1 + F_2$  on [0,1]; b)  $F_1, F_2 \in D_1$  on P;  $F_1$  is an each interval contiguous to P;  $F_1$  is constant on each interval contiguous to P;  $F_2$  (0) =  $F_2$ (1) = 0; d)  $|F_2(x)| < a$  on [0,1].

Proof. By Corollary 1, for a/2, there exist two continuous functions  $f_1, f_2$  on [0,1] such that: a')  $F = f_1 + f_2$  on [0,1]; b')  $f_2 \in \mathbb{D}_1^r$  on P and  $f_1 \in \mathbb{D}_1$  on P; c')  $f_2(0) = f_2(1) = 0$ ; d')  $|f_2(x)| < a/2$  on [0,1]. Let  $\{I_n\}$  be the intervals contiguous to P with respect to [0,1]. For each natural number n there exists a perfect nowhere dense subset  $\mathbb{Q}_n$  of  $\overline{I}_n$ ,  $|\mathbb{Q}_n| > 0$  and a continuous function  $F_1$  on [0,1] such that:  $F_1(x) = f_1(x)$  on P;  $F_1(0) = F(0)$ ;  $F_1(1) = F(1)$ ;  $F_1 \in AC$  on each  $I_n$ ;  $F_1$  is constant on each interval contiguous to  $\mathbb{Q}_n$  with respect to  $\overline{I}_n$ ;  $|F_2(x)| < a$  on [0,1], where  $F_2(x) = F(x) = F_1(x)$ . These follow by [1], p.609-611 (if we put  $I_n = \S_n$ ;  $f_1 = \overline{\Psi}$ ;  $f_2 = \overline{\Psi}$ ;  $F_1 = \Psi$ ;  $F_2 = \Psi$ ;  $a/2 = \overline{E}/2$ ). By a') and c') it follows that  $F_1(x) = f_1(x)$  on  $P \cup \{0,1\}$ , hence  $F_2(x) = f_2(x)$  on  $P \cup \{0,1\}$ . It follows that  $F_2(0) = F_2(1) = 0$  and by b'),  $F_1, F_2 \in \mathbb{D}_1$  on P.

Remark 4. a) Theorem 1 extends Nina Bary's theorem of [1], p.222 and Corollary 1 extends Nina Bary's theorem of [1], p.603 (instead of condition " $|F_1(P)| = |F_2(P)| = 0$ " we put condition b) Corollary 2 is an extension of Nina Bary's Corollary of [1], p.609.

Remark 5. For continuous functions on [0,1] we have: quasi-derivable  $\subseteq GAC_*D_1^* + GAC_*D_1^* \subseteq GAC_*D_1 + GAC_*D_1 \subseteq S + S$  (see Theorem 1 and Proposition 1). We don't know if the inclusions are strict.

Proposition 2. For continuous functions on [0,1] we have: quasi-derivable  $\subseteq GAC_*D_1 + GAC_*D_1$ .

Proof. The inclusion follows by Remark 5. To prove that the inclusion is strict we shall construct two continuous functions  $f,g:[0,1] \longrightarrow [0,1]$  such that  $f,g \in GAC_*D_1$  and f+g is not derivable a.e. on [0,1]. Then f+g is not quasi-derivable on [0,1]. Let  $P_1$ be a perfect nowhere dense subset of [0,1], symmetrical with respect to 1/2 such that  $0,1 \in P_1$  and  $|P_1| = 1/2$ . We shall construct a strictly increasing sequence of subsets of [0,1],  $P_k$ ,  $k \ge 2$ . Let  $I_n^k = (a_n^k, b_n^k)$  be the intervals contiguous to  $P_k$  with respect to [0,1] . Suppose that  $P_1,\ldots,P_k$  have been defined and let's define  $P_{k+1}$ . Let  $P_n^k$  be a perfect nowhere dense subset of  $\overline{I}_n^k$  such that  $a_n^k, b_n^k \in P_n^k$ ,  $|P_n^k| = |I_n^k|/2$  and  $P_n^k$  is symmetrical with respect to  $c_n^k = (a_n^k + b_n^k)/2$ . Then  $P_{k+1} = P_k \cup (\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} P_n^k) = P_k \cup S^{k+1}$ . By [1], pp. 229-230 (for  $\mathcal{E} = I_n^k$ ,  $Q = P_n^k$  and  $\mathcal{E} = 1/2^{n+k}$ ), there exists a continuous function  $f_k:[0,1] \longrightarrow [0, 1/2^k]$  with the following properties:  $f_k(x) = 0$  on  $P_k$ ;  $f_k$  is ACG on each  $I_n^k$ ;  $|f_k(x)| < 1/2^{n+k}$ on  $I_n^k$ ;  $f_k(x) = 0$  on  $P_n^k$ ;  $f_k$  is AC on  $I_n^{k+1}$ ;  $f_k$  is constant on each  $I_n^{k+2}$ ;  $f_k$  is not derivable on  $P_n^k$ . Let  $A = P_1 \cup (\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} S^{2i+1})$ ; B = $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} s^{2i}$ ; E = [0,1] - (AUB) = [0,1] - ( $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} P_i$ ). Then |AUB| = 1. Let  $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_{2i-1}(x)$  and  $g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_{2i}(x)$ . Clearly f, g and f+g are continuous on [0,1]. It follows that: a) f is ACG, on A and f is not derivable a.e. on B; b) g is ACG, on B and g is not derivable a.e. on A; c)  $f \in GD_1$  on B;  $f \in D_1^*$  on B;  $g \in GD_1$  on A;  $g \in GD_1$  $D_1^*$  on K. By a) and b), f+g is not derivable a.e. en [0,1]. By a) and c),  $f \in GAC_1D_1$  on [0,1] and by b) and c),  $g \in GAC_1D_1$  on [0,1]. We prove only the part with f. Let  $R_{2k+1}(x) = \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} f_{2i+1}(x)$ . Then

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} f_{2i-1}(x) + R_{2k+1}(x)$$
. We have

(9) 
$$R_{2k+1}(x) = 0 \text{ on } P_{2k+1}$$
 and

(10) 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} o(R_{2k+1}; I_n^{2k+1}) < 1/2^{2k-1}$$
,

hence, by [13] (Theorem 8.5,p.232),

(11)  $R_{2k+1}$  is  $AC_*$  on  $P_{2k+1}$ .

Since  $\sum_{i=1}^{k} f_{2i-1}(x)$  is constant on each  $I_n^{2k+1}$ , it follows that

(12) 
$$O(f; I_n^{2k+1}) = O(R_{2k+1}; I_n^{2k+1}).$$

By (9), it follows that

(13) 
$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} f_{2i-1}(x) \text{ on } P_{2k+1}$$

a) Since  $f(x) = R_1(x)$  on [0,1],  $f \in AC_*$  on  $P_1$ . Since  $f_1, f_2, \ldots, f_{2k-1}$  are  $AC_*$  on each  $I_n^{2k}$ , it follows that  $\sum_{i=1}^k f_{2i-1}(x)$  is  $AC_*$  on each

 $P_n^{2k}$ . By (11), f is AC, on each  $P_n^{2k}$ . Therefore f is ACG, on  $S^{2k+1}$ .

Since  $\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} f_{2i-1}(x)$  is constant on each  $I_n^{2k-1}$ ,  $f_{2k-1}$  is not

derivable on  $P_n^{2k-1}$  and  $R_{2k+1}$  is derivable a.e. on  $P_{2k+1}$ . It

follows that f is not derivable a.e. on  $s^{2k}$ .

c) Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and let k be a natural number such that  $1/2^{2k-1} \gtrsim \varepsilon$ .

Since EC  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n^{2k+1}$ , by (10) and (12), it follows that

 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} O(f; I_n^{2k+1}) < \epsilon \text{ , hence } f \in D_1^{+} \text{ on } E. \text{ Since } \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} f_{2i-1}(x) \text{ is }$ 

constant on each  $I_n^{2k+1}$  and  $f_{2k-1}(x) = 0$  on each  $P_n^{2k-1}$ , it follows that f is constant on each  $P_n^{2k-1}$ , hence  $f \in D_1$  on  $S^{2k}$ . Thus  $f \in GD_1$  on B.

Using Corollary 2 instead of Nina Bary's Corollary [1],p. 609, the following theorem can be proved:

Theorem 2. (An extension of the theorem of [1],p.611).  $C = GAC_D_1 + GAC_D_1 + GAC_D_1 \text{ for continuous functions on } [0,1].$ 

Remark 6. We don't know if Theorem 2 remains true if  $GAC_{\downarrow}D_{\downarrow}$  is replaced by  $GAC_{\downarrow}D_{\downarrow}^{\#}$ .

Theorem 3. (An extension of the theorem of [1],p.237). Let P be a perfect set,  $P \subset [0,1]$ , |P| > 0 and let  $F:P \longrightarrow [0,1]$ . If  $F \in W \cap C$  then F cannot be written as the sum of two continuous functions  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  such that  $F_1 \in W$  and  $F_2$  is approximately differentiable on a set of positive measure. Hence  $W \cap (W + W) = \emptyset$  for continuous functions on [0,1] (see Remark 3).

<u>Proof.</u> Suppose that there exists a set  $E \subset F$  of positive measure such that  $F_2$  is approximately differentiable on E. By [13] (Theorem 10.14,p.239)  $F_2$  is ACG on E. Since  $F \in W$  there exists  $F_1 \subset F$ ,  $|F_1| = 0$  such that  $F(E_1)$  is measurable,  $|F(E_1)| > 0$  and F is monotone on  $F_1$ . Then  $F_1 = F - F_2$  is VEG on  $F_1$ . Since  $F_1 \in K$ ,  $F_1 \in ACG$  on  $F_1$ . Hence  $F_1 + F_2$  is ACG on  $F_1$  and  $|F(F_1)| = 0$ , a contradiction.

Remark 7. If P is a perfect nowhere dense set of positive measure,  $P \subseteq [0,1]$  then there exists a continuous function in  $D_1^*$  on P which is approximately differentiable on no set of positive measure (see Theorem 1 and Theorem 3).

Corollary 3. Let  $F:P \subseteq [0,1] \longrightarrow [0,1]$ , where  $F \in W \cap G$  and P is a measurable set of positive measure. Then F is approximately differentiable on no set of positive measure.

Theorem 4. a) Let  $F: [0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $F \in \mathcal{C}$  and let  $P \subseteq [0,1]$  be a measurable set, |P| > 0. Then  $F \in W$  on P if and only if  $F \in M$  on no closed subset Q of P, |Q| > 0.

b) Let  $f:S \to R$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{C}$ , where  $S \subset [0,1]$  is a measurable set. Then  $f \in W$  if and only if for every subset  $A \subset S$  of positive measure, f is strictly monotone on some perfect subset  $B \subset A$  such that |f(B)| > 0 and |B| = 0.

Proof. a) " $\Longrightarrow$ " Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  be a closed subset of positive measure of P. Since  $F \in W$  on P it follows that there exists  $\mathbb{Q}_1 \subset \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $|\mathbb{Q}_1| = 0$  such that F is monotone on  $\mathbb{Q}_1$ ,  $F(\mathbb{Q}_1)$  is measurable and  $|F(\mathbb{Q}_1)| > 0$ , hence  $F \notin M$  on  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

" $\Leftarrow$ " Let A be a perfect subset of P of positive measure. Since  $F \notin M$  on A, by Theorem 1 of [8](p.83), it follows that there exists  $B \subset A$  such that F is monotone on B and  $F \notin AC$  on B. Since  $F \in C$ , F is monotone on  $\overline{B}$ . We prove that  $|\overline{B}| = C$ , hence  $F(\overline{B})$  is measurable and  $|F(\overline{B})| > 0$ . Suppose that  $|F(\overline{B})| = 0$  then  $F \in C \cap VB \cap N$  on  $\overline{B}$  and by Theorem 6.7 of [13](p.227),  $F \in AC$  on  $\overline{B}$ , hence  $F \in AC$  on B, a contradiction. Suppose that  $|\overline{B}| > 0$  then F is approximately differentiable on a measurable set  $E \subset B$ ,  $|E| = |\overline{B}|$ , hence  $F \in ACG$  on  $\overline{E}$ . It follows that there exists a closed set  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q} \subset \overline{E}$ ,  $|\mathbb{Q}| > 0$  such that  $F \in ACG \subset M$  on  $\mathbb{Q}$ , a contradiction.

b) " $\Longrightarrow$ " is evident.

"\( = " Let A be a perfect subset of S, \A| > 0. Since  $f \in W$ , there exists  $B_1 \subset A$ ,  $|B_1| = 0$ ,  $f_{|B_1|}$  is monotone,  $f(B_1)$  is measurable and  $|f(B_1)| > 0$ . We prove that  $|\overline{B}_1| = 0$ . Suppose that  $|\overline{B}_1| > 0$ . Since  $f \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $f_{|\overline{B}_1|}$  is monotone. Hence f is approximately derivable a.e. on  $\overline{B}_1$ , a contradiction (see Corollary 3). Let  $C = \{y \in f(\overline{B}_1) : f^{-1}(y) \cap \overline{B}_1 \text{ contains more than one point} \}$ . Then C is countable.

Suppose  $C = \{y_1, y_2, \dots\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{E} < (|f(B_1)|)/4$ ,  $a_n = \inf(\overline{B}_1 \cap f^{-1}(y_n))$ ,  $b_n = \sup(\overline{B}_1 \cap f^{-1}(y_n))$ . Since  $f \in \mathcal{E}$  it follows that there exist  $\mathcal{E}_n > 0$  such that  $f(\overline{B}_1 \cap (a_n - \mathcal{E}_n, b_n + \mathcal{E}_n)) \subset (y_n - \mathcal{E}/2^{n+1}, y_n + \mathcal{E}/2^{n+1})$ . Let  $G = \bigcup_n (a_n - \mathcal{E}_n, b_n + \mathcal{E}_n)$ . Hence  $|f(\overline{B}_1 \cap G)| < \mathcal{E}$ . Let B be the set of points of accumulation of the closed set  $\overline{B}_1$ —G. Then B is a perfect subset of A, |B| = 0,  $f|_B$  is strictly monotone, f(B) is a compact set (since  $f \in \mathcal{E}$ ) and  $|f(B)| > (3/4)|f(B_1)| > 0$ .

Lemma 1. Let A be a perfect subset of [0,1], |A| > 0 and let  $f:A \longrightarrow R$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{C}$ . Let  $E = \{x \in A : f \text{ is approximately}\}$  differentiable at x and  $f'_{ap}(x) > 0$ . If E has positive measure then there exists a perfect subset B of E, |B| = 0, such that  $f_{|B|}$  is strictly increasing.

Proof. That E is measurable follows by [13],p.299. Let  $E_n = \{x \in E : 0 < h < 1/n \text{ implies} | \{t : 1/n \le (f(t)-f(x))/(t-x) , 0 < |t-x| < h\} | > (3/4) \cdot 2h\}$ . Let  $E_{in} = E_n \cap [i/n, (i+1)/n]$  for each natural number i. Then  $E = \bigcup \bigcup E_{in}$ . Let p,j such that  $|E_{pj}| > 0$ . If x < y,  $x,y \in E_{pj}$  then f(y)-f(x) > (1/p)(y-x). Since  $f \in \mathcal{E}$  it follows that f(y)-f(x) > (1/p)(y-x), for x < y,  $x,y \in E_{pj}$ . Let B be a perfect subset of positive measure of  $E_{pj}$ . Then f is strictly increasing on B.

Theorem 5. Let P be a perfect subset of [0,1], |P| > 0. Let  $F:P \longrightarrow [0,1]$ ,  $F \in W \cap C$ ;  $g:P \longrightarrow Q$ , g(P) = Q;  $g \in C$ ;  $f:Q \longrightarrow [0,1]$  and  $D_{ap} = \{x \in Q : f \text{ is approximately differentiable at } x\}$ . If  $F = f \circ g$ ,  $f \in C$  and  $|f(Q - D_{ap})| = 0$  then  $g \in W$ .

Proof. The proof is similar with that of [1] (Theorem of p. 238), using Lemma 1 instead of the lemma of [1], p.239.

Let A be a perfect subset of P, |A| > 0. Since  $F \in W$ , by Theorem 4,b), there exists a perfect subset B of A, |B| = 0, such that  $F|_B$  is strictly monotone and |F(B)| > 0. Let B' = g(B). By [13] (Theorem 10.14,p.239), it follows that  $f \in ACG$  on  $D_{ap}$ . Since  $|f(C - D_{ap})| = 0$  it follows that  $f \in N$  on Q, hence |B'| > 0. Indeed, if |B'| = 0 then |F(B)| = |f(B')| = 0, a contradiction. Let  $D_0 = \{x \in \mathbb{Q} : f_{ap}^i(x) = 0\}$ . By [13] (Lemma 9.2,p.290), it follows that  $|f(D_0)| = 0$ , hence |F(B)| = 0, a contradiction). It follows that  $|f(D_0)| = 0$ , then |F(B)| = 0, a contradiction). It follows that B' contains a subset |F(B)| = 0, a contradiction). It follows that B' contains a subset |F(B)| = 0, a contradiction). It follows that B' Lemma 1 there exists a perfect subset C' of F, |G'| > 0, such that |G(C)| = |G

Remark 8. Theorem 5 is an extension of the theorem of [1], p.238 (there,  $f \in AC$ ).

Theorem 6. Let  $P \subseteq [0,1]$  be a perfect set, |P| > 0. Let  $F:P \longrightarrow [0,1]$ ;  $g:P \longrightarrow Q \subset [0,1]$ , Q = g(P); |Q| > 0;  $f:Q \longrightarrow [0,1]$  and let  $D_{ap} = \{x \in P : g \text{ is approximately differentiable at } x\}$ . If  $F = f \circ g$ ,  $F, g, f \in G$ ,  $F \in W$  and  $|g(P - D_{ap})| = 0$  then  $f \in W$ .

<u>Proof.</u> Let A be a perfect subset of Q, |A| > 0. Let  $A_1 = g^{-1}(A)$ , then  $A_1$  is a closed subset of P. But g is ACG on P, hence g satisfies Lusin's condition N on P. It follows that  $|A_1| > 0$ . Since |A| > 0,  $D_0 = \{x \in P : g_{ap}^i(x) = 0\}$ ,  $|g(D_0)| = 0$  and  $|g(P-D_{ap})| = 0$ , it follows that  $A_1 \cap D_{ap}$  contains a subset E of positive measure where  $f_{ap}^i$  doesn't change the sign. Suppose that  $f_{ap}^i(x) > 0$  for all  $x \in E$ . By Lemma 1 it follows that there exists a perfect

subset C of E, |C| > 0 such that  $g_{|C|}$  is strictly increasing.  $F \in W$  implies that there exists a perfect subset B of C such that |B| = 0,  $F_{|B|}$  is strictly monotone and |F(B)| > 0. Let  $B_1 = g(B) \subset A$ . Since g is ACG on  $D_{ap}$  it follows that  $|B_1| = 0$ . Since  $g_{|B|}$  is strictly increasing and  $F_{|B|}$  is strictly monotone it follows that  $|f_{|B|}$  is strictly monotone and  $|f(B_1)| = |f(g(B))| = |F(B)| > 0$ , hence  $f \in W$  on Q.

Definition 6. Let  $F:[0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $F \in \mathcal{C}$  . F is said to be W if for every subinterval I of [0,1], there exists a perfect subset P of I, |P| = 0,  $F_{|P|}$  - monotone, such that |F(P)| > 0. Clearly WCW.

Remark 9. By Corollary 2 of [2](p.213), a typical continuous function  $f:[0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  does not have finite or infinite derivative at any point. By [8](Theorem 3,p.87), if f is a continuous function on  $I \subset [0,1]$  and if  $\{x \in I : f'(x) \text{ exists}\}$  has measure 0 then there is a perfect set P, |P| = 0 such that f is increasing on P and |f(P)| > 0. Hence a typical continuous function is W. Is W typical for continuous functions on [0,1]?

Remark 10. There exists a function  $g \in W' - W$ . By [10] (Example 2,p.41), there exists a continuous function g defined on [0,1] whose graph has V - finite Hausdorff length and such that g is nowhere differentiable but has approximate derivative 0 almost everywhere (g will satisfy condition  $T_1$ ). Since the set  $E = \{x : g'(x) = +\infty\}$  has measure 0 (see [13], Theorem 4.4,p.270), by [8] (Theorem 3,p.87), it follows that  $g \in W'$ . By Corollary 3,  $g \notin W$ .

Lemma 2. There exist a continuous function  $F:[0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  and a symmetric perfect nowhere dense subset Q of [0,1],  $0,1 \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $|\mathbb{Q}| = 1/2$ , such that: a)  $F \in \mathbb{W}$  on P; b) For each  $y \in [0,1]$ ,  $\mathbb{Q} \cap \mathbb{R}^{-1}(y)$  is a nonempty perfect subset of  $\mathbb{Q}$ ; c)  $\mathbb{F}_{|\mathbb{Q}|}$  has finite or

infinite derivative at no point  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ ; d)  $F_{|\mathbb{Q}|}$  has finite approximate derivative at no point  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ ; e) F is linear and strictly decreasing on each interval contiguous to  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Proof. We shall define the set  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Let  $\mathbf{a}_{2i} = (1 - \sum_{k=2}^{i+1} 1/2^k)/4^i$  =  $1/(2 \cdot 4^i) + 1/(2 \cdot 8^i)$ , i > 0;  $\mathbf{a}_{2i-1} = 2 \cdot \mathbf{a}_{2i}$ , i > 1,  $\mathbf{e}_1 = \mathbf{a}_{1-1} - \mathbf{a}_i$ , i > 1. Then  $\mathbf{a}_{2i} = \mathbf{c}_{2i} = \sum_{k=2i+1}^{\infty} \mathbf{c}_k$ ,  $\mathbf{c}_{2i-1} = 1/4^i + 3/8^i$ , i > 1,  $\mathbf{a}_{2i-1} = \sum_{k=2i}^{\infty} \mathbf{c}_k$ . Let  $\mathbb{Q} = \{\mathbf{x} : \text{There exists } \mathbf{e}_i(\mathbf{x}) \text{ taking on 0 or 1}$  and  $\mathbf{x} = \sum_{k=2i}^{\infty} \mathbf{c}_k$ . The open intervals deleted in the s-step of the construction of  $\mathbb{Q}$  are  $\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{e}_1 \cdots \mathbf{e}_{s-1}} = (\sum_{i=1}^{s-1} \mathbf{e}_i \mathbf{c}_i + \mathbf{a}_s, \sum_{i=1}^{s-1} \mathbf{e}_i \mathbf{c}_i + \mathbf{c}_s)$ ,  $(\mathbf{e}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{e}_{s-1}) \in \{0, 1\}^{s-1}$ .  $0_{\mathbf{e}_1 \cdots \mathbf{e}_{s-1}} \neq \emptyset$  iff s = 2p-1, p > 1 and in this case  $[0_{\mathbf{e}_1 \cdots \mathbf{e}_{2p-2}}] = 2/8^p$ . The remaining intervals of the s-step are  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{e}_1 \cdots \mathbf{e}_s} = [\sum_{i=1}^{s} \mathbf{e}_i \mathbf{c}_i + \sum_{i=1}^{s} \mathbf{e}_i \mathbf{c}_i + \mathbf{a}_s]$ , where  $(\mathbf{e}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{e}_s) \in \{0, 1\}^s$ . Then  $\mathbb{Q} = \lim_{s \to \infty} 2^s \mathbf{e}_s = 1/2$ . Let  $\mathbb{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{e}_{2i}(\mathbf{x})/2^i$ ,  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Extending  $\mathbb{F}$  linearly on each interval contiguous to  $\mathbb{Q}$  we have  $\mathbb{F}$ 

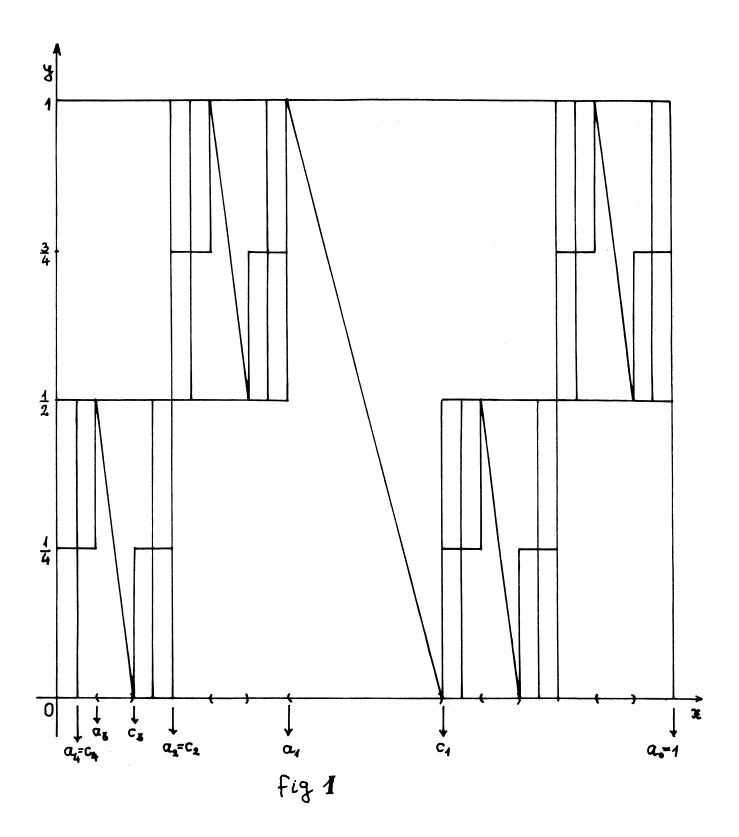
(14)  $F(R_{e_1...e_{2s}}) = F(Q \cap R_{e_1...e_{2s}}) = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{s} e_{2i}/2^i, \sum_{i=1}^{s} e_{2i}/2^i + \sum_{i=1}^{s} e_{2i}/2^i\right]$ 

defined and continuous on [0,1]. We have:

1/2<sup>s</sup>].

(See fig.1 for the representation of the first two steps in the construction of the graph of F.)

a) Let  $a_i' = 1/2^{i+1} + 1/4^{i+1}$ ,  $i \ge 0$ ,  $c_i' = a_{i-1}' - a_i'$ ,  $i \ge 1$ , hence  $c_i' = 1/2^{i+1} + 3/4^{i+1}$ . Let  $P = \{x : There exists <math>e_i(x)$  taking on 0



or 1 and  $x = \sum e_i(x)c_i$  Clearly P is a symmetric perfect nowhere dense subset of [0, 3/4]. The open intervals deleted in the sstep of the construction of P are  $0_{e_1 cdots e_{s-1}}^! = (\sum_{i=1}^{s-1} e_i c_i^! + a_s^!)$  $\sum_{i=1}^{s-1} e_i c_i' + c_s', (e_1, \dots, e_{s-1}) \in \{0,1\}^{s-1} \text{ and the remaining intervals}$ cf the s-step are  $R_{e_1 cdots e_s}^i = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{S} e_i c_i^i, \sum_{i=1}^{S} e_i c_i^i + e_s^i\right]$ , where  $(e_1, \dots, e_s) \in \{0, 1\}^s$ ,  $|P| = \lim_{s \to \infty} 2^s s' = 1/2$ . Let  $F_1(x) = 1$  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e_{2i}(x)/2^{i} \text{ if } x \in P. \text{ Extending } F_{1} \text{ linearly on each interval}$ contiguous to P, we have  $F_1$  defined and continuous on [0, 3/4](see [5]). If s is odd (resp. even) then  $F_1$  is linear and strictly decreasing (resp. constant) on each  $O_{e_1 \dots e_n}^1$ . Let  $h: P \longrightarrow Q$ , h(x)=  $h(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e_i(x)c_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e_i(x)c_i$ . Extending h linearly on each interval contiguous to P we have h defined, continuous and increasing on [0, 3/4], h(0) = 0, h(3/4) = 1; h = constant on each  $0_{e_1 \cdots e_{s-1}}$  if s is even;  $b(P \cap R'_{e_1 \cdots e_s}) = Q \cap R_{e_1 \cdots e_s}$ ;  $h(R_{e_1 \dots e_s}^i) = R_{e_1 \dots e_s}$  we prove that  $h \in AC$  on [0, 3/4]. Since h is increasing it suffices to show that  $\int_{0}^{2/4} h'(x)dx = 1, \text{ bence}$  $\int_{P} h'(x)dx = |Q|. \text{ The function h is derivable a.e. on P. Let } x_0 \in P.$ be a point at which h is derivable. Then  $h'(x_0) = \lim_{n \to \infty} R_{e_1 \dots e_n} / R_{e_1 \dots e_n}$  $|R_{e_1 \dots e_n}'| = 1$ , hence  $\int_{D} h'(x) dx = |Q|$ . Since  $F_1(x) = F(h(x))$  and  $F_1 \in W$  on P (see Lemma 3 of [5]), by Theorem 6,  $F \in W$  on Q. b) Let  $y \in [0,1]$ . If y is uniquely represented in base 2, y =

 $\sum y_i/2^i$ , then  $A_y = \{x \in Q : F(x) = y\} = \{x \in Q : e_{2i}(x) = y_i\}$  is a nowhere perfect subset of C. If y has two representations in base 2,  $y = \sum y_i/2^i = \sum y_i^i/2^i$  then  $A_y = \{x \in Q : F(x) = y\} = \{x \in Q : e_{2i}(x) = y_i\} \cup \{x \in Q : e_{2i}(x) = y_i\}$  is a nonempty perfect subset of Q.

c) By b) it follows that 0 is a derived number for  $F_{|Q}$  at  $x \in Q$ . Let  $x_0 \in Q$ . Then for each  $s \ge 1$  there exist  $e_1, \dots, e_{2s}$  such that  $x_0 \in Q$ . Represent the solution of  $e_1 \cdot e_{2s} = 1/2^s$  and  $(1/2^s)/a_{2s} \longrightarrow \infty$ ,

s  $\rightarrow \infty$  it follows that  $F_{|Q}$  has finite or infinite derivative at no point  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in Q$ .

d) Let  $x_0 \in Q$ , and for each  $s \ge 1$ , let  $e_1, \dots, e_{2s}$  such that  $x_0 \in Q$ 

$$\mathbb{R}_{e_1 \cdots e_{2s}}$$
. Then either (i)  $\mathbb{F}(\mathbf{x}_0) \in \left[\sum_{i=1}^{s} e_{2i}(\mathbf{x})/2^i, \sum_{i=1}^{s} e_{2i}(\mathbf{x})/2^i + \cdots + \sum_{i=1}^{s} e_{2i}(\mathbf{x})/2^i\right]$ 

$$1/2^{s+1}$$
] or (ii)  $F(x_0)$  [ $\sum_{i=1}^{s} e_{2i}(x)/2^{i} + 1/2^{s+1}$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^{s} e_{2i}(x)/2^{i} + 1/2^{s}$ ].

Suppose for example (i). Let  $\mathbf{E}_{e_1 \dots e_{2s}} = \mathbf{Q} \cap (\mathbf{R}_{e_1 \dots e_{2s}} \cap \mathbf{C})$ 

$$|R_{e_1...e_{2s}}| \longrightarrow 1/4$$
 and if  $y_s \in E_{e_1...e_{2s}}$  then  $|F(y_s)-F(x_o)|/a_{2s} > 1/4$ 

 $(1/2^{S+2})/a_{2S} \longrightarrow \infty$ , hence F has a finite approximate derivative at no point  $x \in Q$ .

e) Let s = 2p-1,  $p \ge 1$ , then

(15) 
$$F(\sum_{i=1}^{s-1} e_i c_i + a_s) - F(\sum_{i=1}^{s-1} e_i c_i + c_s) = F(a_{2p-1}) - F(c_{2p-1})$$
$$= F(\sum_{k=2p}^{s-2} c_k) = 1/2^{p-1}.$$

Theorem 7. There exists a continuous function  $f:[0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  with the following properties: a)  $f \in W$ ; b) For each  $y \in [0,1]$ ,

 $f^{-1}(y)$  is a nonempty perfect set; c) For each  $x \in [0,1]$ , f'(x) does not exist (finite or infinite); d) f is approximately derivable at no point  $x \in [0,1]$ .

Proof. In what follows we use the notations introduced in the proof of Lemma 2. Let  $I = [a,b] \subset [0,1]$  and let  $b_I : [0,1] \longrightarrow [a,b]$ ,  $b_I(x) = (b-a)x + a$ . Let  $Q_I = b_I(Q) = a + (b-a)\cdot Q$ . It follows that  $|Q_I| = (1/2)\cdot (b-a)$ ,  $a,b \in Q_I$  and  $Q_I$  is a symmetric perfect nowhere dense subset of [a,b], which can be obtained on [a,b] exactly as Q was obtained on [0,1]. The open intervals deleted in the s-step of the construction of  $Q_I$  are  $(O_I)_{e_1 \cdots e_{s-1}} = a + (b-a)O_{e_1 \cdots e_{s-1}}$ , which are nonempty if and only if s = 2p-1, p > 1. In this case

(16) 
$$(c_1)_{e_1 \cdots e_{s-1}} = (b-a) \cdot (2/8^p).$$

The remaining intervals of the s-step are

(17) 
$$(R_I)_{e_1 \cdots e_s} = a + (b-a)R_{e_1 \cdots e_s}$$

Let  $g_I = F \circ h_I^{-1}$ . By Theorem 5,  $g_I \in W$  on  $Q_I$ . (The graph of  $g_I$  is similar to the graph of F, see fig.1) We have:

(18) 
$$g_T(a) = 0; g_T(b) = 1; g_T(I) = [0,1]$$
 and

(19) 
$$g_{I}(R_{I})_{e_{1}\cdots e_{2s}} = g_{I}(Q_{I}\cap (R_{I})_{e_{1}\cdots e_{2s}}) = \left[\sum_{i=1}^{s} e_{2i}/2^{i}, \sum_{i=1}^{s} e_{2i}/2^{i} + 1/2^{s}\right].$$

By (15), for s = 2p-1, we have

(20) 
$$O(g_{I}; (O_{I})_{e_{1} \cdots e_{s-1}}) = 1/2^{p-1}$$
.

Let  $Q_1 = Q$ . We shall construct a strictly increasing sequence  $Q_k$ ,  $k \ge 2$ , of nowhere dense perfect subsets of [0,1] and denote

by  $I_n^k = (a_n^k, b_n^k)$ ,  $k \ge 1$ ,  $n \ge 1$ , the intervals contiguous to  $\mathbb{Q}_k$  with respect to [0,1]. Let  $A_n^k = [a_n^k, c_n^k]$ ,  $B_n^k = [c_n^k, b_n^k]$ , where  $c_n^k$  is the middle point of  $I_n^k$ . Then  $\mathbb{Q}_k = \mathbb{Q}_{k-1} \cup (\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (\mathbb{Q}_{A_n^k} \cup \mathbb{Q}_{B_n^k}))$ . Let  $f_1 = F$  on [0,1]. Suppose that  $f_{k-1} : [0,1] \longrightarrow [0,1]$ ,  $k \ge 2$  has already been defined and let's define  $f_k : [0,1] \longrightarrow [0,1]$  as follows:  $f_k(x) = f_{k-1}(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{Q}_{k-1}$ ;  $f_k(x) = f_{k-1}(a_n^{k-1}) + (f_{k-1}(c_n^{k-1}) - f_{k-1}(a_n^{k-1}))$ .  $g_{A_n^{k-1}}(x)$ ,  $x \in A_n^{k-1}$ ;  $f_k(x) = f_{k-1}(c_n^{k-1}) + (f_{k-1}(b_n^{k-1}) - f_{k-1}(c_n^{k-1}))$ .

 $g_{B_n^{k-1}}(x)$ ,  $x \in B_n^{k-1}$ . We prove that  $\{f_k\}$  is an uniformly convergent sequence of continuous functions on [0,1]. Clearly  $f_1 \in \mathcal{C}$  on [0,1]. Suppose that  $f_{k-1} \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $k \ge 2$  on [0,1]. We prove that  $f_k \in \mathcal{C}$  on [0,1]. Since  $f_k = f_{k-1}$  on  $Q_{k-1}$  it follows that  $f_k \in \mathcal{C}$  on  $Q_{k-1}$ . We have

(21)  $f_{k}(a_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(a_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k}(c_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(c_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k}(b_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1}); f_{k$ 

(See (18) and the definition of  $f_k$  on  $A_n^{k-1}$  and  $B_n^{k-1}$ .) Also,

(22) 
$$f_{k}(A_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k}(A_{n}^{k-1}) = [f_{k-1}(a_{n}^{k-1}), f_{k-1}(c_{n}^{k-1})]^{\#} \text{ and}$$

$$f_{k}(B_{n}^{k-1}) = f_{k-1}(B_{n}^{k-1}) = [f_{k-1}(c_{n}^{k-1}), f_{k-1}(b_{n}^{k-1})]^{\#},$$

where [x,y] is either [x,y] or [y,x] (see (18)). By (21) and (22)  $O(f_k;[a_n^{k-1},b_n^{k-1}]) = O(f_{k-1};[a_n^{k-1},b_n^{k-1}]), \text{ hence } f_k \in \mathcal{C} \text{ on } [0,1].$ 

Suppose that  $|f_{k-1}(a_n^{k-1}) - f_{k-1}(b_n^{k-1})| \le 1/2^{k-2}$ ,  $k \ge 2$  and let's prove that

 $\begin{aligned} & \left|\mathbf{f}_k(\mathbf{a}_n^k) - \mathbf{f}_k(\mathbf{b}_n^k)\right| \leq 1/2^{k-1}. \\ & \text{Let } (\mathbf{a}_n^k, \mathbf{b}_n^k) \text{ be an open interval of } \mathbb{Q}_k. \text{ Then } (\mathbf{a}_n^k, \mathbf{b}_n^k) \text{ is an open} \end{aligned}$ 

interval either of (i)  $Q_{k-1}$  or of (ii)  $Q_{k-1}$ , for some natural number p. Suppose (i), then by (21) and (22) it follows that  $|f_k(a_n^k) - f_k(b_n^k)| \le |f_{k-1}(A_p^{k-1})| \le |f_{k-1}(a_p^{k-1}) - f_{k-1}(b_p^{k-1})|/2 \le 1/2^{k-1}$ . Since  $f_k(x) - f_{k-1}(x) = 0$  on  $Q_{k-1} \cup (\bigcup \{a_n^{k-1}\})$  (see (20)

and the definition of  $f_k$ ), by (21), (22) and (23), it follows that

- (24)  $|f_k(x) f_{k-1}(x)| \le 1/2^{k-1}$  on [0,1]. Let  $f(x) = \lim_{k \to \infty} (f_k(x))$ Then by (24),  $f_k \to f$  [unif] on [0,1], hence  $f \in \mathcal{C}$  on [0,1].
- a) Since  $f_k(x) = f(x)$  on  $Q_k$ , by Lemma 2,a) it follows that  $f \in W$  on  $Q_k$ . Since  $|\bigcup Q_k| = 1$ ,  $f \in W$  on [0,1].
- b) Suppose that there exists  $y_o \in [0,1]$  such that  $E_{y_o} = \{x \in [0,1]: f(x) = y_o\}$  has an isolated point  $x_o$ . Since  $f(x) = f_k(x)$  on  $Q_k$ , by Lemma 2,b) it follows that  $x_o \in [0,1] \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} Q_k$ . Since  $x_o$  is isolated, there exists S > 0 such that  $(x_o S, x_o + S) \cap E_{y_o} = \{x_o\}$ . Let k be a natural number such that  $I_{n_k}^k \subset (x_o S, x_o + S)$ . We may suppose without loss of generality that  $x_c \in A_{n_k}^k$ . Let  $z_o = g_{A_k}^k (x_o) \in [0,1]$ . By Lemma 2,b)  $E_{z_o} = \{x \in Q_{n_k}^k : g_{A_n}^k (x) = z_o\}$  is a perfect nonempty set. But  $E_{z_o} \subset A_{n_k}^k \subset (x_o S, x_o + S)$  and  $f(E_{z_o}) = \{y_o\}$ , a contradiction.
- c) If  $x_0 \in \bigcup \mathbb{Q}_k$ , since  $f = f_k$  on  $\mathbb{Q}_k$ , by Lemma 2,c) it follows that  $f'(x_0)$  does not exist finite or infinite. Let  $x_0 \in [0,1]$   $(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty})$ . Then there exists a sequence of natural numbers  $\{n_k\}$ ,  $k \ge 1$ , such that  $x_0 = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} I_{n_k}^k$  and  $I_{n_1}^1 \supset I_{n_2}^2 \supset \dots$  For  $\{n_k\}$ ,  $k \ge 1$  there exists a sequence of natural numbers  $\{p_k\}$ ,  $k \ge 1$  such that

$$|\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{n}_{k}}^{k}| = 2/8^{\mathbf{P}_{1}^{+}\cdots^{+}\mathbf{P}_{k}} , |\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{n}_{k}}^{k}| = |\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{n}_{k}}^{k}| = 1/8^{\mathbf{P}_{1}^{+}\cdots^{+}\mathbf{P}_{k}} \text{ and } \\ 0(f;\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{n}_{k}}^{k}) = 2/2^{\mathbf{P}_{1}^{+}\cdots^{+}\mathbf{P}_{k}} , \text{ hence } 0(f;\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{n}_{k}}^{k}) = 0(f;\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{n}_{k}}^{k}) = 1/2^{\mathbf{P}_{1}^{+}\cdots^{+}\mathbf{P}_{k}}. \\ \text{Indeed, for } \mathbf{n}_{1} \text{ there exists } \mathbf{p}_{1} \geq 1 \text{ such that } \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{n}_{1}}^{k} \text{ is an open interval } \\ \text{from the step } 2\mathbf{p}_{1}^{-1} \text{ of the construction of } \mathbf{Q}_{1}, \text{ hence } |\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{n}_{1}}^{1}| = 2/8^{\mathbf{P}_{1}}. \\ \text{By } (15), \, 0(f;\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{n}_{1}}^{1}) = |f_{1}(\mathbf{b}_{\mathbf{n}_{1}}^{1}) - f_{1}(\mathbf{s}_{\mathbf{n}_{1}}^{1})| = 1/2^{\mathbf{P}_{1}^{-1}}. \text{ dentinuing, for } \\ \mathbf{n}_{k}, \, k \geq 2 \text{ there exists } \mathbf{p}_{k} \quad 1 \text{ such that } \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{n}_{k}}^{k} \text{ is an open interval } \\ \text{from the step } 2\mathbf{p}_{k}^{-1} \text{ of the construction of } \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{A}_{k-1}}^{k-1} \quad (\text{resp. } \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{B}_{k-1}}^{k-1}) \text{ for } \\ \mathbf{n}_{k-1}^{k-1} \quad \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{n}_{k-1}}^{k-1} \quad \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{n}_{k-1}}^{k-1} \quad (2/8^{\mathbf{P}_{k}}) = 2/8^{\mathbf{P}_{1}^{k-1}} \quad \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{n}_{k-1}}^{k-1} \quad$$

natural number such that  $|\mathbf{t}_0| < 4^{\mathbf{k}-1}$ ;  $|\mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0} \cap \mathbf{J}|/|\mathbf{J}| > 5/32$  for each interval J with  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbf{J}$ ,  $|\mathbf{J}| \leq 1/8$   $p_1 + \cdots + p_k$  and  $|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_0)| < 4^{\mathbf{k}-1} \cdot |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0|$ , for  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{x}_0} \cap \mathbf{J}$ . We may suppose without loss of generality that  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbf{A}_{n_k}^k$ . By (19), either (i)  $\mathbf{g}_{\mathbf{A}_{n_k}^k}(\mathbf{x}_0) \in [0, 1/2]$ 

or (ii)  $g_{A_{n_k}^k}(x_o) \in [1/2, 1]$ . Suppose for example (i). Let  $H_k = A_{n_k}^k$   $A_{n_k}^k$   $A_{n_k}^k$ 

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