

17. Prove that, if $s \in \Sigma$, there are sequences t arbitrarily close to s for which $d[\sigma^n(s), \sigma^n(t)] = 2$ for all sufficiently large n .

Let $s = (s_0 s_1 s_2 \dots) \in \Sigma$ and consider the point

$$t = (s_0 s_1 \dots s_n \hat{s}_{n+1} \hat{s}_{n+2} \dots).$$

By the Proximity Theorem, we know that

$$d[s, t] \leq \frac{1}{2^n},$$

but

$$d[\sigma^k(s), \sigma^k(t)] = 2$$

for all $k > n$.