CORRIGENDUM TO "THE ALTERNATIVE OPERAD IS NOT KOSZUL"

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In [DZ, §4], we formulated a conjecture that in characteristic 3, the dimension of the nth homogeneous component of the dual alternative operad, i.e. an operad governed by two identities – associativity and

$$(*) \qquad xyz + yxz + zxy + xzy + yzx + zyx = 0$$

(or, what is the same, dimension of the multilinear component of the corresponding free algebra), is equal to $2^n - n$.

In fact, this was proved earlier by Lopatin (see [L, §7, Remark 2]): he computes the corresponding dimension for the variety of associative algebras satisfying the identity $x^3 = 0$, what for multilinear components is equivalent to the corresponding dimensions of its full linearization (*). Lopatin's proof consists of computer calculations for small values of n (as we did in [DZ]), and an argument based on the composition (=diamond) lemma reducing the general case to the cases of small n's.

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Recently, a more general result was established by Dotsenko in [D]. Dotsenko's proof utilizes a generalization of composition lemma for operads, and does not depend on any computer calculations.

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