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# **Z** – Connectedness in Closure Space

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#### Abstract

A Čech closure space (X, u) is a set X with Čech closure operator u:  $P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$  where P(X) is a power set of X, which satisfies  $u\phi = \phi$ , A  $\subseteq u$  A for every A $\subseteq X$ , u (AUB) = u A UuB, for all A, B  $\subseteq X$ . Many properties which hold in topological space hold in Čech closure space as well. Let Z be a topological space with more than one point. A space X is Z-connected if and only if any continuous map from X to Z is constant. In this paper we introduce **Z-connectedness in Čech closure space** and study some of its properties.

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1. Introduction :-

The topological study of connectedness is heavily geometric. Intuitively, a space is connected if it does not consist of two separate pieces. Čech closure space was introduced by Čech E. [1] in 1963. The modern notion of connectedness was proposed by Jorden (1893) and Schoenfliesz, and put on firm footing by Riesz [2] with the use of subspace topology. The concept of Z-connectedness was introduced by Bo.Dai. and Yan-loi Wong[3].

Many mathematicians such as Eissa D. Habil, Khalid A. Elzenati[4], Eissa D. Habil[5], Stadler B.M.R. and Stadler P.F.[6] have extended various concepts of Z-connectedness. In this paper we introduce **Z**-connectedness in Čech closure space and study its properties.

## 2. Preliminaries:-

*Definition 2.1[7]:* An operator u:  $P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$  defined on the power set P(X) of a set X satisfying the axioms:

- 1. u**φ=φ**,
- 2.  $A \subseteq uA$ , for every  $A \subseteq X$ ,
- 3.  $u(A \cup B)=uA \cup uB$ , for all A, B  $\subseteq X$ .

is called a Čech closure operator and the pair (X, u) is a Čech closure space.

**Definition 2.2[8]:-** A Čech closure space (X, u) is said to be connected if and only if any continuous map from X to the discrete space  $\{0, 1\}$  is constant .A subset A in a Čech closure space (X, u) is said to be connected if A with the subspace topology is a connected space.

*Definition 2.3[3]:-* Let Z is a topological space with more than one point. A space X is called Z-connected if and only if any continuous map from X to Z is constant.

# 3. Z-CONNECTEDNESS IN CLOSURE SPACE:-

*Definition 3.1:* - Let  $(Z, u_1)$  be a Čech closure space with more than one point .A Čech closure space  $(X, u_2)$  is called Z- connected Čech closure space if and only if any continuous map f from X to Z is constant.

*Example 3.2:-* Consider a non empty set  $Z = \{x, y\}$ , we define a Čech closure operator

 $u_1: P(Z) \rightarrow P(Z)$  such that

 $u_1{x} = u_1{X} = X, u_1{y} = {y}, u_1{\emptyset} = \emptyset.$ 

Hence  $(Z, u_1)$  is a Čech closure space.

Consider a non empty set  $X = \{a, b, c\}$ , we define a Čech closure operator

 $u_2: P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$  such that

 $u_{2} \{a\} = \{a, b\}, u_{2} \{b\} = \{b, c\}, u_{2} \{c\} = \{c, a\},$ 

 $u_{2} \{a, b\} = u_{2} \{b, c\} = u_{2} \{c, a\} = u_{2} \{X\} = X, u_{2} \{\varnothing\} = \varnothing.$ 

Hence  $(X, u_2)$  is a Čech closure space.

Define a mapping f:  $X \rightarrow Z$  such that

 $f{a}=f{b}=f{c}=f{a, b}=f{b, c}=f{c, a}=f{X}=x,$ 

 $f\{\emptyset\}=y.$ 

Here function f is constant. Hence (X, u<sub>2</sub>) is called Z-connected Čech closure space.

Proposition 3.3: - A Z-connected Čech closure space is a connected Čech closure space.

**Proof:** - Let (X, u) is a Z-connected Čech closure space i.e. there exist a function f:  $X \rightarrow Z$  is constant, where Z is a Čech closure space having more than one element. If  $Z = \{0, 1\}$  a two point Čech closure space then function f:  $X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is constant. Hence (X, u) is a Z-connected Čech closure space.

The Čech closure space (X, u) varies when different topologies are added to a two point set

 $\{0, 1\}$ . Then there are only three types of topologies on Z, namely, indiscrete topology, order topology and discrete topology.

For simplicity we write:

(2<sub>i</sub>): The space  $\{0, 1\}$  with indiscrete topology, whose open sets are  $\emptyset$  and  $\{0, 1\}$ ;

(2<sub>0</sub>): The space  $\{0, 1\}$  with order Topology, whose open sets are  $\emptyset$ ,  $\{0\}$  and  $\{0, 1\}$ ;

 $(2_d)$ : The space  $\{0, 1\}$  with discrete topology, whose open sets are  $\emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{0, 1\}$ .

*Corollary* 3.4:- A Čech closure space (X, u) is called  $2_i$ -connected Čech closure space, if and only if X is a one point Čech closure space.

**Proof:** Consider a Čech closure space  $Z = \{0, 1\}$ . If X is a one point Čech closure space, for any continuous map f: X  $\rightarrow Z$ , f(X) is constant. Hence (X, u) is 2<sub>i</sub>-connected Čech closure space.

Conversely, if Čech closure space (X, u) has more than one point,

 $X = U \cup V$  where U and V are nonempty and disjoint sets. Define f:  $X \rightarrow Z$  such that f[U] = 0 and

f[V] = 1 this function is continuous but not constant .Thus X is not 2<sub>i</sub>-connected Čech closure space. Therefore X is not Z-connected Čech closure space except that X is one point Čech closure space.

*Corollary 3.5:-* A Čech closure space (X, u) is called  $2_0$ -connected Čech closure space if and only if X is indiscrete Čech closure space.

Proof: Let X is indiscrete Čech closure space. Consider a continuous map f from X to the

Z= {0, 1}. Since {0} is open in the 2<sub>o</sub> -space. So  $f^{-1}(0)$  is open in indiscrete Čech closure space X, thus  $f^{-1}(0) = X$  or  $\emptyset$ . If  $f^{-1}(0) = X$ , f(X) = 0 if  $f^{-1}(0) = \emptyset$ , f(X) = 1. In either case, f is constant.

Conversely, if X is not indiscrete, there exists a proper open set S of X. Define f:  $X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  by f[S] =0 and f[X-S] =1. Then  $f^{-1}(0) = S$ ,  $f^{-1}(\{0, 1\}) = X$ , thus f is continuous but not constant. Therefore, X is  $2_0$  - connected if and only if X is indiscrete.

*Corollary* **3.6:-** X is 2<sub>d</sub>-connected Čech closure space if and only if X is connected.

The following proposition is a summary of the above corollaries.

## Proposition 3.7:- Let Z is a two point space. Then

1. X is  $2_i$ -connected Čech closure space if and only if X is one point space.

2. X is  $2_o$ -connected Čech closure space if and only if X is indiscrete.

3. X is  $2_d$ -connected Čech closure space if and only if X is connected.

Proposition 3.8:- A continuous image of Z-connected Čech closure space is Z-connected.

**Proof:** Let X is any Z-connected Čech closure space. By definition, there exists a continuous map from X to Z is constant. Let f:  $X \rightarrow f(X)$  is a continuous surjective map and g:  $f(X) \rightarrow Z$  is continuous. But the function gof:  $X \rightarrow Z$  is continuous and constant, so g is constant. Therefore f(X) is Z-connected, i.e. the continuous image of X is Z-connected.

**Proposition 3.9:-** If  $\{X_{\alpha}\}$  is a collection of Z-connected subspaces of a Čech closure space X such that  $\bigcap_{\alpha} X_{\alpha} \neq \emptyset$  then  $\bigcup_{\alpha} X_{\alpha}$  is Z-connected.

**Proof:** For any continuous map  $f: \cup_{\alpha} X_{\alpha} \to Z$ , let map  $i: X\alpha \to \cup_{\alpha} X_{\alpha}$  be the inclusion map and let

f:  $\cup_{\alpha} X_{\alpha} \rightarrow Z$  be any continuous map. Since each  $X_{\alpha}$  is Z-connected Čech closure space,

foi:  $X_{\alpha} \rightarrow Z$  is continuous and thus constant and  $\bigcap_{\alpha} X_{\alpha} \neq \emptyset$ , so there exists a point p such that

 $p \in \cap_{\alpha} X_{\alpha}$  i.e.  $p \in X_{\alpha}$  for all  $\alpha$ . Then function foi is constant and equal to f (p). Therefore f is constant and  $\cup_{\alpha} X_{\alpha}$  is Z-connected.

Proposition 3.10:- Let A and B are subsets of a connected Čech closure space X such that

 $A \subseteq B \subseteq \overline{A}$ . If A is Z-connected then B is Z-connected.

**Proof:** Let f:  $B \rightarrow Z$  be any continuous map where  $A \subseteq B \subseteq \overline{A}$  and let  $f|_A: A \rightarrow Z$  be the restriction of f. Since A is Z-connected and  $f|_A$  is continuous,  $f|_A(A) = f(A)$  is constant. Z is a T<sub>1</sub> space, thus

f (A) is closed. Note that  $\overline{A^B} = \overline{A} \cap B = B$ , therefore, f (B) = f ( $\overline{A}^B$ )  $\subseteq f(\overline{A}) = f(A)$ . Thus f(B) is constant and B is Z-connected.

*Proposition 3.11:-* A Čech closure space (X, u) is connected if and only if for all  $T_1$ -Čech closure doubleton space Y= {0, 1}, any continuous function f: X $\rightarrow$ Y is constant.

Conclusion: - In this paper the idea of Z-connectedness was introduced and relationship between the Z-connectedness and Čech closure space were explained.

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