

AN EXTENSION WHICH IS A WEAKLY LINDELÖFF SPACE

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we construct an extension (kX, k_X) of a space X such that kX is a weakly Lindelöff space and for any continuous map $f : X \rightarrow Y$, there is a continuous map $g : kX \rightarrow kY$ such that $g|_X = f$. Moreover, we show that vX is Lindelöff if and only if $kX = vX$ and that for any P' -space X which is weakly Lindelöff, $kX = vX$.

1. INTRODUCTION

All spaces in this paper are assumed to be Tychonoff spaces and $\beta X(vX, \text{resp.})$ denotes the Stone-Čech compactification(the Hewitt realcompactification, resp.) of a space X .

One of the many characterizations of $(\beta X, \beta_X)$ is following :

- (1) βX is a compact space, and
- (2) for any continuous map $f : X \rightarrow Y$, there is a continuous map $f^\beta : \beta X \rightarrow \beta Y$ such that $f^\beta|_X = f$ ([5]).

There have been many ramifications from the Stone-Čech compactifications of spaces. In fact, realcompactifications of spaces and zero-dimensional compactifications of zero-dimensional spaces have been studied by various authors ([3], [5]).

The purpose to write this paper is to construct an extension of a space which has similar properties to the above extensions. We first construct an extension (kX, k_X) of a space X such that $vX \subseteq kX \subseteq \beta X$ and kX is a weakly Lindelöff space. We show that for any continuous map $f : X \rightarrow Y$, there is a continuous map $g : kX \rightarrow kY$ such that $g|_X = f$. Blasco ([1], [2]) showed that for a paracompact (or separable) space X , vX is a Lindelöff space if and only if every separating nest generated intersection ring on X is complete. We show that vX is Lindelöff if and

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only if $kX = vX$. Using these, we then show that $kX = X$ if and only if X is Lindelöf. Finally, we will show that for any P' -space X which is weakly Lindelöf, $kX = vX$.

For the terminology, we refer to [3] and [5].

2. AN EXTENSION WHICH IS A WEAKLY LINDELÖFF SPACE

For any space X , let $Z(X)$ be the set of all zero-sets in X . A $Z(X)$ -filter is called a z -filter on X .

Definition 2.1. Let X be a space and \mathcal{F} a z -filter on X . Then \mathcal{F} is called

- (1) *real* if it has the countable intersection property, and
- (2) *free (fixed, resp.)* if $\bigcap\{F \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \emptyset$ ($\bigcap\{F \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} \neq \emptyset$, resp.).

A space X is called a *realcompact space* if every real z -ultrafilter on X is fixed. It is known that for any real z -ultrafilter \mathcal{F} on a space X , $\bigcap\{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} \neq \emptyset$ ([3]).

Let X be a space and $kX = vX \cup \{p \in \beta X - vX \mid \text{there is a real } z\text{-filter } \mathcal{F} \text{ on } X \text{ such that } \bigcap\{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \emptyset \text{ and } p \in \bigcap\{cl_{\beta X}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}\}$.

Let X be a set and $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X)$. For any $A \subseteq X$, let \mathcal{F}_A denote the set $\{F \cap A \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$.

Proposition 2.2. *Let X be a space. Then we have the following :*

- (1) $vX \subseteq kX \subseteq \beta X$,
- (2) $k(vX) = kX$, and
- (3) kX is realcompact if for any non-empty zero-set Z in kX , $Z \cap X \neq \emptyset$.

Proof. (1) It is trivial.

(2) Let $p \in kX - vX$. Then there is a real z -filter \mathcal{F} on X such that $\bigcap\{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \emptyset$ and $p \in \bigcap\{cl_{\beta X}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Let $\mathcal{F}_v = \{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Note that for any zero-set Z in X , $cl_{vX}(Z)$ is a zero-set in vX and for any sequence (Z_n) in $Z(X)$, $cl_{vX}(\bigcap\{Z_n \mid n \in N\}) = \bigcap\{cl_{vX}(Z_n) \mid n \in N\}$ ([3]). Hence \mathcal{F}_v is a real z -filter on vX . Note that $\bigcap\{cl_{vX}(H) \mid H \in \mathcal{F}_v\} = \{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \emptyset$ and $p \in \bigcap\{cl_{\beta X}(H) \mid H \in \mathcal{F}_v\} = \bigcap\{cl_{\beta X}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Since $v(vX) = vX$ and $\beta(vX) = \beta X$, $p \in k(vX)$. Hence $kX \subseteq k(vX)$.

Let $q \in k(vX)$ and $q \notin vX$. Since $v(vX) = vX$, there is a real z -filter \mathcal{G} on vX such that $\bigcap\{G \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\} = \emptyset$ and $q \in \bigcap\{cl_{\beta X}(G) \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\}$. Then \mathcal{G}_X is a real z -filter on X and $\bigcap\{cl_{vX}(H) \mid H \in \mathcal{G}_X\} = \bigcap\{G \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\} = \emptyset$. Since $q \in \bigcap\{cl_{\beta X}(H) \mid H \in \mathcal{G}_X\} = \bigcap\{cl_{\beta X}(G) \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\}$, $q \in kX$. Hence $k(vX) \subseteq kX$.

(3) Take any real z -ultrafilter \mathcal{F} on kX . By the assumption, for any $F \in \mathcal{F}$,

$F \cap X \neq \emptyset$ and so \mathcal{F}_X is a z -filter on X . Let Z be a zero-set in X such that for any $F \in \mathcal{F}$, $Z \cap F \neq \emptyset$. Since $X \subseteq kX \subseteq \beta X$, there is a zero-set B in kX such that $Z = B \cap X$. Then for any $F \in \mathcal{F}$, $F \cap B \neq \emptyset$. Since \mathcal{F} is a z -ultrafilter on kX , $B \in \mathcal{F}$ and $B \cap X = Z \in \mathcal{F}_X$. Hence \mathcal{F}_X is a z -ultrafilter on X . Since \mathcal{F}_X is real, $\bigcap \{cl_{vX}(F \cap X) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \{q\}$ for some $q \in vX$. Note that $\bigcap \{cl_{vX}(F \cap X) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \bigcap \{cl_{vX}(F \cap vX) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$ and for any $F \in \mathcal{F}$, $cl_{vX}(F \cap vX) \subseteq F$. Hence $q \in \bigcap \{F \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$ and so $\bigcap \{F \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} \neq \emptyset$. Thus kX is a realcompact space. \square

Let S be a subspace of a space X . Then S is called $C(C^*, \text{ resp.})$ -embedded in X if for any real-valued (bounded, resp.) continuous function f on S , there is a real-valued (bounded, resp.) continuous function g on X such that $g|_S = f$.

Note that X is a dense C -embedded subspace of Y if and only if $X \subseteq Y \subseteq vX$, equivalently, $vX = vY$ and that a dense subspace X of a space Y is C^* -embedded in Y if and only if $\beta X = \beta Y$ ([3]). Using these, we have the following :

Proposition 2.3. *Let X be a dense C -embedded subspace of Y . Then $kX = kY$.*

Proof. Since X is a dense C -embedded subspace of Y , $vX = vY$ ([3]). Let $p \in kX - vX$. Then there is a real z -filter \mathcal{F} on X such that $\bigcap \{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \emptyset$ and $p \in \bigcap \{cl_{\beta X}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Let $\mathcal{G} = \{G \in Z(Y) \mid G \cap X \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Then $\mathcal{G}_X = \mathcal{F}$ and since $vX = vY$, \mathcal{G} is a real z -filter on Y .

Let $G \in \mathcal{G}$ and $x \in vX - cl_{vX}(G \cap X)$. Then there is a zero-set neighborhood Z of x in vX such that $G \cap X \cap Z = \emptyset$. Since $X \subseteq Y \subseteq vX$, there is a zero-set H in vX such that $G = H \cap Y$. Since $H \cap Z \cap X = \emptyset$ and $H \cap Z$ is a zero-set in vX , $H \cap Z = \emptyset$ ([5]). Hence $G \cap Z = \emptyset$ and $x \notin cl_{vX}(G)$. Thus $cl_{vX}(G) \subseteq cl_{vX}(G \cap X)$. Clearly, $cl_{vX}(G \cap X) \subseteq cl_{vX}(G)$ and so $cl_{vX}(G \cap X) = cl_{vX}(G)$.

Since $\bigcap \{cl_{vX}(G \cap X) \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\} = \emptyset$, $\bigcap \{cl_{vY}(G) \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\} = \emptyset$. Since X is C^* -embedded in Y , $\beta X = \beta Y$ and $p \in \bigcap \{cl_{\beta Y}(G) \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\}$. Hence $p \in kY$ and so $kX \subseteq kY$.

Similarly, we have $kY \subseteq kX$. \square

For any space X , let $k_X : X \rightarrow kX$ denote the inclusion map. Then (kX, k_X) is an extension of X .

Note that for any continuous map $f : X \rightarrow Y$, there is a unique continuous map $f^v : vX \rightarrow vY$ such that $f^v|_X = f$.

Proposition 2.4. *Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a continuous map. Then there is a unique continuous map $g : kX \rightarrow kY$ such that $g \circ k_X = k_Y \circ f$.*

Proof. Note that there is a continuous map $h : \beta X \rightarrow \beta Y$ such that $h \circ \beta_X = \beta_Y \circ f$ and $h(vX) \subseteq vY$. Let $p \in kX - vX$. Then there is a real z -filter \mathcal{F} on X such that $\bigcap \{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \emptyset$ and $p \in \bigcap \{cl_{\beta X}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Let $\mathcal{G} = \{Z \in Z(Y) \mid h^{-1}(Z) \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Since \mathcal{F} is a real z -filter on X , \mathcal{G} is a real z -filter on Y . Let $G \in \mathcal{G}$. Then $h^{-1}(G) \in \mathcal{F}$. Since $p \in cl_{\beta X}(h^{-1}(G))$, $h(p) \in h(cl_{\beta X}(h^{-1}(G))) \subseteq cl_{\beta Y}(h(h^{-1}(G))) \subseteq cl_{\beta Y}(G)$. Hence $h(p) \in \bigcap \{cl_{\beta X}(G) \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\}$ and so $h(p) \in kY$. Let $g : kX \rightarrow kY$ be the restriction and corestriction of h with respect to kX and kY , respectively. Then $g : kX \rightarrow kY$ is a continuous map and $g \circ k_X = k_Y \circ f$. Since $k_X : X \rightarrow kX$ is a dense embedding, such an g is unique. \square

It is well-known that a space X is Lindelöf if and only if for any real z -filter \mathcal{F} in X , $\bigcap \{F \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} \neq \emptyset$.

Proposition 2.5. *Let X be a space. Then the following are equivalent :*

- (1) $vX = kX$,
- (2) vX is a Lindelöf space,
- (3) for any free real z -filter \mathcal{F} on X , $\bigcap \{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} \neq \emptyset$, and
- (4) for any free real z -filter \mathcal{F} on X , there is a free real z -ultrafilter \mathcal{A} on X such that $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) Take any real z -filter \mathcal{G} on vX . Then \mathcal{G}_X is a real z -filter on X . Suppose that $\bigcap \{G \cap X \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\} = \emptyset$. Then $\bigcap \{cl_{\beta X}(G \cap X) \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\} \neq \emptyset$. Pick $p \in \bigcap \{cl_{\beta X}(G \cap X) \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\}$. Then $p \in kX$ and since $kX = vX$, $p \in vX$. Hence $p \in (\bigcap \{cl_{\beta X}(G) \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\}) \cap vX = \bigcap \{G \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\}$ and so $\bigcap \{G \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\} \neq \emptyset$. Thus vX is a Lindelöf space.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) It is trivial.

(3) \Rightarrow (4) Let \mathcal{F} be a free real z -filter on X . By the assumption, $\bigcap \{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} \neq \emptyset$. Pick $p \in \bigcap \{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Let $\mathcal{A}^p = \{A \in Z(X) \mid p \in cl_{vX}(A)\}$. Then \mathcal{A}^p is a free real z -ultrafilter on X and $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{A}^p$.

(4) \Rightarrow (1) Let $p \in kX - vX$. Then there is a real z -filter \mathcal{F} on X such that $\bigcap \{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \emptyset$ and $p \in \bigcap \{cl_{\beta X}(G \cap X) \mid G \in \mathcal{G}\}$. Since \mathcal{F} is free, by (4), there is a free real z -ultrafilter \mathcal{A} on X such that $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$. Since $\bigcap \{cl_{vX}(A) \mid A \in \mathcal{A}\} \neq \emptyset$, $\bigcap \{cl_{vX}(F) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} \neq \emptyset$ and this is a contradiction. \square

By Proposition 2.2. and Proposition 2.5., we have the following :

Corollary 2.6. *Let X be a space. Then $kX = X$ if and only if X is Lindelöf.*

Recall that a space X is called a *pseudo-compact space* if every real-valued

continuous function on X is bounded, equivalently, $vX = \beta X$.

Corollary 2.7. *If X is a pseudo-compact space, then $kX = \beta X$.*

Let X be a space. The collection $\mathcal{R}(X)$ of all regular closed sets in X , when partially ordered by inclusion, becomes a complete Boolean algebra, in which the join, meet, and complementation operations are defined as follows : For any $A \in \mathcal{R}(X)$ and any $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{R}(X)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \bigvee \mathcal{F} &= cl_X(\cup\{F \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}), \\ \bigwedge \mathcal{F} &= cl_X(int_X(\cap\{F \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\})), \text{ and} \\ A' &= cl_X(X - A). \end{aligned}$$

A sublattice of $\mathcal{R}(X)$ is a subset of $\mathcal{R}(X)$ that contains \emptyset , X and is closed under finite joins and finite meets ([7]).

An $\mathcal{R}(X)$ -filter \mathcal{A} is said to have *the countable meet property* if for any sequence (A_n) in $\mathcal{R}(X)$, $\bigwedge\{A_n \mid n \in N\} \neq \emptyset$.

Let $Z(X)^\# = \{cl_X(int_X(A)) \mid A \in Z(X)\}$. Then $Z(X)^\#$ is a sublattice of $R(X)$.

A space X is called a *weakly Lindelöff space* if for any open cover \mathcal{U} of X , there is a countable subset \mathcal{V} of \mathcal{U} such that $\cup\{V \mid V \in \mathcal{V}\}$ is dense in X .

A space X is a weakly Lindelöff space if and only if for any $Z(X)^\#$ -filter \mathcal{A} with the countable meet property, $\cap\{A \mid A \in \mathcal{A}\} \neq \emptyset$ ([4]).

Theorem 2.8. *Let X be a space. Then kX is a weakly Lindelöff space.*

Proof. Take any $Z(X)^\#$ -filter \mathcal{U} on kX with the countable meet property. Let $\mathcal{F} = \{Z \in Z(kX) \mid cl_{kX}(int_{kX}(Z)) \in \mathcal{U}\}$. Clearly, $\emptyset \notin \mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset$. For any $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$, $cl_{kX}(int_{kX}(A \cap B)) = cl_{kX}(int_{kX}(A)) \wedge cl_{kX}(int_{kX}(B)) \in \mathcal{U}$ and hence $A \cap B \in \mathcal{F}$. Thus \mathcal{F} is a z -filter on kX . By the definition of \mathcal{F} , for any $F \in \mathcal{F}$, $F \cap X \neq \emptyset$. Hence \mathcal{F}_X is also a z -filter on X . Let (A_n) be a sequence in \mathcal{F}_X . For any $n \in N$, there is a $B_n \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $A_n = B_n \cap X$. Since \mathcal{U} has the countable meet property, $cl_{kX}(int_{kX}(\cap\{B_n \mid n \in N\})) \neq \emptyset$ and since X is dense in kX , $cl_{kX}(int_{kX}(\cap\{B_n \mid n \in N\})) \cap X \neq \emptyset$. Since $cl_{kX}(int_{kX}(\cap\{B_n \mid n \in N\})) \cap X$

$$\begin{aligned} &= cl_{kX}(int_{kX}(\cap\{B_n \cap X \mid n \in N\})) \\ &= cl_{kX}(int_{kX}(\cap\{A_n \mid n \in N\})), \end{aligned}$$

$\cap\{A_n \mid n \in N\} \neq \emptyset$ and so \mathcal{F}_X has the countable intersection property. Note that $\cap\{cl_{vX}(F \cap X) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} \neq \emptyset$ or $\cap\{cl_{vX}(F \cap X) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \emptyset$.

Assume that $\cap\{cl_{vX}(F \cap X) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} \neq \emptyset$. Pick $x \in \cap\{cl_{vX}(F \cap X) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Let $U \in \mathcal{U}$. Suppose that $x \notin U$. Since U is a closed set in kX , there is a zero-set Z in kX such that $x \notin Z$ and $U \subseteq Z$. Then $Z \cap X \in \mathcal{F}_X$ and since $cl_{vX}(Z \cap X) = Z \cap vX$,

since $cl_{vX}(Z \cap X) = Z \cap vX$, $x \in Z$. This is a contradiction and so $x \in U$. Hence $x \in \cap\{U \mid U \in \mathcal{U}\}$.

Assume that $\cap\{cl_{vX}(F \cap X) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} = \emptyset$. Let $p \in \cap\{cl_{\beta X}(F \cap X) \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\}$. Then $p \in kX$. Let $U \in \mathcal{U}$. Suppose that $p \notin U$. Then there is a zero-set B in βX such that $p \notin B$ and $U \subseteq B$. Since $B \cap X \in \mathcal{F}_X$, $p \in cl_{\beta X}(B \cap X) \subseteq B$. This is a contradiction and so $p \in U$. Hence $p \in \cap\{U \mid U \in \mathcal{U}\}$.

Thus $\cap\{U \mid U \in \mathcal{U}\} \neq \emptyset$ and kX is a weakly Lindelöff space. \square

A space X is called a P' -space if for any non-empty zero-set Z in X , $int_X(Z) \neq \emptyset$, equivalently, every zero-set in X is a regular closed set in X . Clearly, a space X is a P' -space if and only if vX is a P' -space. If X is a realcompact and locally compact space, then $\beta X - X$ is a P' -space ([6]).

Proposition 2.9. *Let X be a P' -space. Then X is a weakly Lindelöff space if and only if X is a Lindelöff space.*

Proof. Suppose that X is a weakly Lindelöff space. Let \mathcal{F} be a real z -filter on X . Since X is a P' -space, $Z(X) = Z(X)^\#$ and since $Z(X)$ is closed under countable intersections, for any sequence (A_n) in $Z(X)$,

$$\bigwedge\{A_n \mid n \in N\} = cl_X(int_X(\cap\{A_n \mid n \in N\})) = \cap\{A_n \mid n \in N\}.$$

Hence \mathcal{F} is a $Z(X)^\#$ -filter with the countable meet property. Since X is a weakly Lindelöff space, $\cap\{F \mid F \in \mathcal{F}\} \neq \emptyset$ and hence X is a Lindelöff space.

The converse is trivial. \square

A space with a dense weakly Lindelöff space is also a weakly Lindelöff space. Using this, Proposition 2.9. and Proposition 2.5., we have the following :

Corollary 2.10. *For any P' -space X which is weakly Lindelöff, vX is a Lindelöff space and $vX = kX$.*

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