39. Note on Quasi-Domination in the Sense of K. Borsuk

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In this paper we shall prove that if an approximatively 1-connected pointed continuum (X, x_0) is pointed quasi-dominated by a pointed FANR, X has the shape of a compact polyhedron. We shall give an example that the compactness of Y in the theorem is essential. Throughout this paper all maps are continuous and by a space we mean a topological space. We mean by \mathcal{W} the category of spaces having the homotopy type of CW-complexes and homotopy classes of maps.

Let $\underline{X} = \{X_{\alpha}, [p_{\alpha\alpha'}], A\}$ and $\underline{Y} = \{Y_{\beta}, [q_{\beta\beta'}], B\}$ be objects of pro- \mathcal{W} , where [f] denotes the homotopy class of the map f. We say that X is quasi-dominated by \underline{Y} (notation: $\underline{X} \leq \underline{Y}$) if for any $\alpha_0 \in A$ there exist two system maps $\underline{f} = \{f, [f_{\beta}], B\} : \underline{X} \rightarrow \underline{Y} \text{ and } \underline{g} = \{g, [g_{\alpha}], A\} : \underline{Y} \rightarrow \underline{X} \text{ such that there exists } \alpha_1 \in A \text{ such that } \alpha_1 \geq \alpha_0, fg(\alpha_0) \text{ and } g_{\alpha_0}f_{g(\alpha_0)}p_{fg(\alpha_0)\alpha_1} \simeq p_{\alpha_0\alpha_1}.$ Let X and Y be spaces. We say that X is quasi-dominated by Y (notation: $X \leq Y$) if there exist $\underline{X} = \{X_{\alpha}, [p_{\alpha\alpha'}], A\}$ and $\underline{Y} = \{Y_{\beta}, [q_{\beta\beta'}], B\}$ of objects of pro- \mathcal{W} such that \underline{X} and \underline{Y} are associated with X and Y respectively (see [9]) and $\underline{X} \leq \underline{Y}$.

It is clear that the definition of quasi-domination of spaces is independent of chosing objects of pro-W associated with X and Y. We can easily prove that for compacta our definition is equivalent to the definition of K. Borsuk [2] (cf. [7]).

Analogously the notation of pointed quasi-domination of pointed spaces (notation: $(X, x_0) \stackrel{q}{\leq} (Y, y_0)$) is defined.

The following is easy to prove.

Theorem 1. Let X and Y be spaces. If $X \leq Y$ and the shape of Y is trivial, the shape of X is trivial.

Thus, if a compactum X is quasi-dominated by an FAR-space Y, then X is also an FAR-space (see [1]).

From Theorem 1 the following problem is raised: if X is a compactum quasi-dominated by an FANR-space Y, is X an FANR-space? We obtain the following partial answers.

Theorem 2. Let (X, x_0) and (Y, y_0) be pointed continua. Suppose that X is approximatively 1-connected (see [1]) and (Y, y_0) is a pointed FANR-space. If $(X, x_0) \stackrel{q}{\leq} (Y, y_0)$, then X has the shape of a compact