

On movability and other similar shape properties

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Abstract. The hereditary shape property called the \mathcal{R} -movability has been defined. Some relations between the \mathcal{R} -movability and other shape properties: the movability, the n -movability and the A -movability have been established. There are answers the following questions:

1° Is it true that if compacta X and Y are \mathcal{R} -movable, then $X \circ Y$ is \mathcal{R} -movable?

2° Is it true that if a compactum X is A -movable and B -movable then X is $A \circ B$ -movable?

where the binary operation \circ is the Cartesian product or the join or the one-point union or the topological sum.

1. Introduction. K. Borsuk introduced hereditary shape properties: n -movability and A -movability ([3] and [4]). Let \mathcal{R} be a family of compacta. In this paper we define \mathcal{R} -movability, which is a generalization of those shape properties. The aim of this paper is to study the properties of \mathcal{R} -movability and to determine the relations between n -movability, A -movability, \mathcal{R} -movability and movability.

2. \mathcal{R} -movability. Let A and X be compacta and let $X \subset M \in \text{AR}(\mathcal{M})$. X is said to be A -movable if for every neighborhood U of X in M there exists a neighborhood U_0 of X in M such that for every neighborhood \hat{U} of X in M every map $\alpha: A \rightarrow U_0$ is homotopic in U to a map with values in \hat{U} . K. Borsuk showed ([4]) that A -movability does not depend upon the choice of a space M and that A -movability is a hereditary shape property, i.e., if $\text{Sh}(X) \leq \text{Sh}(Y)$ and Y is A -movable, then X is A -movable. To generalize this property, consider a family \mathcal{R} of compacta. A compactum $X \subset M \in \text{AR}(\mathcal{M})$ is said to be \mathcal{R} -movable if for every neighborhood U of X in M there exists a neighborhood U_0 of X in M such that for every neighborhood \hat{U} of X in M and for every $A \in \mathcal{R}$ every map $\alpha: A \rightarrow U_0$ is homotopic in U to a map with values in \hat{U} . By a slight change in the proofs of an analogous theorem for A -movability ([4]) one proves that

(2.1) The choice of the space M and the embedding of X into M are not important for the definition of \mathcal{R} -movability

and that

(2.2) If X is \mathcal{R} -movable and $\text{Sh}(X) \geq \text{Sh}(Y)$, then Y is \mathcal{R} -movable. It is easy to see that

(2.3) If a compactum X is movable, then X is \mathcal{R} -movable for every family \mathcal{R} .

A compactum X lying in the Hilbert cube Q is said to be n -movable ([3], p. 859) if for every neighborhood U of X in Q there exists a neighborhood U_0 of X in Q such that for every compactum $A \subset U_0$ with $\dim A \leq n$ and for every neighborhood \hat{U} of X in Q there exists a homotopy $\varphi: A \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \hat{U}$ satisfying conditions: $\varphi(x, 0) = x$ and $\varphi(x, 1) \in \hat{U}$ for every point $x \in A$. Put $M = Q$ in the definition of \mathcal{R} -movability. Since for every compactum $A \subset Q$ and its neighborhood U_0 in Q every map $\alpha: A \rightarrow U_0$ is homotopic in U_0 to an embedding of A into U_0 , we get

(2.4) If \mathcal{R} is a family of all compacta of dimension $\leq n$, then \mathcal{R} -movability is equivalent to n -movability.

Let \mathcal{R} and \mathcal{R}' be families of compacta. \mathcal{R} is said to be M -dominated by \mathcal{R}' ($\mathcal{R} \leq_M \mathcal{R}'$) if every \mathcal{R}' -movable compactum X is also \mathcal{R} -movable. If $\mathcal{R} \leq_M \mathcal{R}'$ and $\mathcal{R}' \leq_M \mathcal{R}$, then \mathcal{R} and \mathcal{R}' are said to be M -equivalent ($\mathcal{R} \approx_M \mathcal{R}'$). If families \mathcal{R} and \mathcal{R}' consist of single elements A and A' respectively, then we write $A \leq_M A'$ ($A \approx_M A'$) instead of $\mathcal{R} \leq_M \mathcal{R}'$ ($\mathcal{R} \approx_M \mathcal{R}'$).

(2.5) THEOREM. Let \mathcal{R} and \mathcal{R}' be families of compacta. If for every $A \in \mathcal{R}$ there exists $B \in \mathcal{R}'$ such that $\text{Sh}(A) \leq \text{Sh}(B)$, then $\mathcal{R} \leq_M \mathcal{R}'$.

Proof. Suppose that a compactum X is \mathcal{R}' -movable and that X is lying in the Hilbert cube Q . It is sufficient to prove that X is \mathcal{R} -movable. Let U be a neighborhood of X in Q . Since X is \mathcal{R}' -movable, there exists a neighborhood U_0 of X in Q such that for every $B \in \mathcal{R}'$ and for every map $\beta: B \rightarrow U_0$ and for every neighborhood \hat{U} of X in Q there exists a homotopy $\varphi: B \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \hat{U}$ satisfying the conditions: $\varphi(p, 0) = \beta(p)$ and $\varphi(p, 1) \in \hat{U}$ for every point $p \in B$. We shall show that U_0 satisfies the required condition in the definition of the \mathcal{R} -movability of X . Take $A \in \mathcal{R}$ and a map $\alpha: A \rightarrow U_0$. We can find an embedding $\alpha': A \rightarrow U_0$ such that

$$(2.6) \quad \alpha \simeq \alpha' \quad \text{in } U.$$

Let $A' = \alpha'(A)$. There exists a $B \in \mathcal{R}'$ such that $\text{Sh}(B) \geq \text{Sh}(A) = \text{Sh}(A')$. Assume that $B \subset N \in \text{AR}(\mathcal{M})$. Then there exist fundamental sequences $\underline{f} = \{f_n, A', B\}_{Q, N}$ and $\underline{g} = \{g_n, B, A'\}_{N, Q}$ such that $\underline{g} \circ \underline{f} \simeq \underline{i}_{A'}$.

Hence for the neighborhood U_0 of A' in Q there exists a neighborhood V_0 of B in N and an integer n_0 such that

$$(2.7) \quad g_n|_{V_0} \simeq g_{n+1}|_{V_0} \quad \text{in } U_0, \quad \text{for } n \geq n_0.$$

Let \hat{U} be a neighborhood of X in Q . Since $g_{n_0}|_B$ carries B into U_0 and X is \mathcal{R}' -movable, there exists a homotopy $\varphi: B \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \hat{U}$ such that $\varphi(p, 0) = g_{n_0}(p)$ and $\varphi(p, 1) \in \hat{U}$ for every point $p \in B$. Define a map $F: (B \times [0, 1]) \cup (N \times \{0\}) \rightarrow \hat{U}$ by

$$F(p, t) = \begin{cases} \varphi(p, t) & \text{for } (p, t) \in B \times [0, 1], \\ g_{n_0}(p) & \text{for } (p, t) \in N \times \{0\}. \end{cases}$$

Since $B \times [0, 1] \cup N \times \{0\}$ is a compactum and U is open in Q , there exists a neighborhood W of $B \times [0, 1] \cup N \times \{0\}$ in $N \times [0, 1]$ and a map $\bar{F}: W \rightarrow \hat{U}$ extending F . There exists a neighborhood V of B in N satisfying three conditions: $V \subset V_0$, $V \times [0, 1] \subset W$ and $\bar{F}(V \times \{1\}) \subset \hat{U}$. Since \bar{f} is a fundamental sequence and $\underline{g} \circ \underline{f} \simeq \underline{i}_{A'}$, there exists an $n_1 \geq n_0$ such that

$$(2.8) \quad f_{n_1}(A') \subset V$$

and

$$(2.9) \quad g_{n_1} \circ f_{n_1}|_{A'} \simeq \text{id}_{A'} \quad \text{in } U.$$

By (2.7) and (2.8) it follows that

$$(2.10) \quad g_{n_0} \circ f_{n_1}|_{A'} \simeq g_{n_1} \circ f_{n_1}|_{A'} \quad \text{in } U.$$

$\bar{F}|_{f_{n_1}(A') \times [0, 1]}: f_{n_1}(A') \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \hat{U}$ is a homotopy satisfying conditions $\bar{F}(p, 0) = g_{n_0}(p)$ and $\bar{F}(p, 1) \in \hat{U}$ for every $p \in f_{n_1}(A')$. Let $\bar{F}_1: f_{n_1}(A') \rightarrow \hat{U}$ be defined by the formula $\bar{F}_1(p) = \bar{F}(p, 1)$. Therefore

$$(2.11) \quad g_{n_0} \circ f_{n_1}|_{A'} \simeq \bar{F}_1 \circ f_{n_1}|_{A'} \quad \text{in } U.$$

By (2.6), (2.9), (2.10) and (2.11), α is homotopic in U to a map with values in \hat{U} , and thus X is \mathcal{R} -movable.

(2.12) COROLLARY. If $\text{Sh}(A) \leq \text{Sh}(B)$, then $A \leq_M B$.

(2.13) EXAMPLE. Let S_i^j be i -dimensional spheres for $i = 1, 2$, $j = 1, 2$ and let $S_i^j \cap S_{i'}^{j'} = \emptyset$ for $(i, j) \neq (i', j')$. Let $A = S_1^1 \cup S_2^1 \cup S_2^2$ and $B = S_1^1 \cup S_1^2 \cup S_2^2$.

Shapes of A and B are not comparable but one can easily see that $A \approx_M B$.

If follows, by Corollary (2.12) and Example (2.13), that the classes of all M -equivalent compacta are larger than the classes of compacta of the same shape and that the relation of the fundamental domination is a proper subset of the relation of M -domination, where these relations are considered as subsets of the family of all pairs of compacta.

(2.14) EXAMPLE. Let \mathcal{K} be a family of solenoids and let a family $\{S^1\}$ consist of a single circle S^1 . Then $\mathcal{K} \leq_M \{S^1\}$.

Assume that a compactum $X \subset N \in \text{AR}(\mathcal{M})$ is S^1 -movable. By Corollary (2.12), X is T -movable, where T is a solid torus. Let U be a neighborhood of X in N . There exists a neighborhood U_0 of X in N such that for every neighborhood \hat{U} of X in N every map $\alpha: T \rightarrow U_0$ is homotopic in U to a map with values in \hat{U} . Let \hat{U} be a neighborhood of X in N and take $S \in \mathcal{K}$ and $\beta: S \rightarrow U_0$. The solenoid S can be described as an intersection of a decreasing sequence of solid tori T_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots$. There exist an integer n_0 and a map $\beta': T_{n_0} \rightarrow U_0$ extending β . Since β' is homotopic in U to a map with values in \hat{U} , β is homotopic in U to such a map. Thus X is \mathcal{K} -movable.

(2.15) PROBLEM. Is the family of all solenoids M -equivalent to a circle?

3. Relations between movability, n -movability, A -movability and \mathcal{K} -movability. S. Mardešić and J. Segal ([8], p. 651) proved the following

(3.1) LEMMA. If $X = \varprojlim \{X_n, p_{nn'}\}$, where $X_n \in \text{ANR}$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$, then X is movable if and only if for every integer n there exists an $n_0 \geq n$ such that for every $\hat{n} \geq n$ there exists a map $r: X_{n_0} \rightarrow X_{\hat{n}}$ satisfying the condition $p_{\hat{n}\hat{n}} \circ r \simeq p_{nn_0}$.

By a slight modification of the proof of this lemma one can easily show the following:

(3.2) LEMMA. If $X = \varprojlim \{X_n, p_{nn'}\}$, where $X_n \in \text{ANR}$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and \mathcal{K} is a family of compacta, then X is \mathcal{K} -movable if and only if for every integer n there exists an $n_0 \geq n$ such that for every $\hat{n} \geq n$ and for every $A \in \mathcal{K}$ and for every map $\alpha: A \rightarrow X_{n_0}$ there exists a map $\alpha': A \rightarrow X_{\hat{n}}$ satisfying the condition:

$$(3.3) \quad p_{\hat{n}\hat{n}} \circ \alpha' \simeq p_{nn_0} \circ \alpha.$$

(3.4) COROLLARY. If $X = \varprojlim \{X_n, p_{nn'}\}$, where $X_n \in \text{ANR}$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and \mathcal{K} is a family of compacta and for almost all n and for every $A \in \mathcal{K}$ every map $f: A \rightarrow X_n$ is homotopic to a constant map, then X is \mathcal{K} -movable.

(3.5) LEMMA. Let $X = \varprojlim \{X_n, p_{nn'}\}$, where $X_n \in \text{ANR}$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and let $\mathcal{K} = \{X_n; n = 1, 2, \dots\}$. If X is \mathcal{K} -movable, then X is movable.

Proof. Let n be an integer. It follows by Lemma (3.2) that there exists an $n_0 \geq n$ such that for every $\hat{n} \geq n$ and for every $A \in \mathcal{K}$ and for every map $\alpha: A \rightarrow X_{n_0}$ there exists a map $\alpha': A \rightarrow X_{\hat{n}}$ satisfying condition (3.3). Let $\hat{n} \geq n$. Take $A = X_{n_0} \in \mathcal{K}$ and $\alpha = \text{id}_{X_{n_0}}$. Hence there exists a map $\alpha': X_{n_0} \rightarrow X_{\hat{n}}$ satisfying condition (3.3). Thus $p_{nn_0} \simeq p_{\hat{n}\hat{n}} \circ \alpha'$. Put $r = \alpha'$. By Lemma (3.1), X is movable.

(3.6) THEOREM. There exists a countable family \mathcal{W} of polyhedra such that \mathcal{W} -movability is equivalent to movability.

Proof. One knows that there are only countably many homotopy types of polyhedra. Let \mathcal{W} consist of elements taken singly from all homotopy types of polyhedra. Let a compactum X be \mathcal{W} -movable. X can be described as an inverse limit of a sequence of polyhedra: let $X = \varprojlim \{W_n, p_{nn'}\}$. Therefore, by Theorem (2.5), $\mathcal{K} = \{W_n; n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ is M -dominated by \mathcal{W} . Thus X is \mathcal{K} -movable. By Lemma (3.5), X is movable.

Conversely, if X is movable, then by (2.3) X is \mathcal{K} -movable for every family \mathcal{K} of compacta, in particular for \mathcal{W} .

(3.7) COROLLARY. There exists a compactum W such that W -movability is equivalent to movability.

Proof. Let W be a one-point compactification of a disjoint union of elements of \mathcal{W} . It is clear that the family consisting of the single element W is M -equivalent to \mathcal{W} .

(3.8) COROLLARY. There exists a maximal element (the family \mathcal{W} of compacta or the compactum W) in the partial ordering " \leq_M ".

(3.9) PROBLEM. Does there exist, for every family \mathcal{K} of compacta, a compactum A such that $\{A\} \overline{M} \mathcal{K}$?

(3.10) THEOREM. For $n = 1, 2, \dots$ there exists a countable family \mathcal{W}^n of polyhedra of dimension $\leq n$ such that \mathcal{W}^n -movability is equivalent to n -movability.

Proof. There is only a countable number of homotopy types of polyhedra of dimension $\leq n$. Let \mathcal{W}^n consist of polyhedra taken singly from all these types. Let \mathcal{K} be a family of all compacta of dimension $\leq n$. By (2.4), n -movability is equivalent to \mathcal{K} -movability. Since $\mathcal{W}^n \subset \mathcal{K}$, n -movability implies \mathcal{W}^n -movability. Assume now that X is \mathcal{W}^n -movable. Let $X \subset N \in \text{AR}(\mathcal{M})$ and let U be a neighborhood of X in N . Since X is \mathcal{W}^n -movable, there exists a neighborhood U_0 of X in N such that for every neighborhood \hat{U} of X in N and for every $K \in \mathcal{W}^n$ and for every map $\varphi: K \rightarrow U_0$ there exists a map $\varphi': K \rightarrow U_0$ satisfying the conditions:

$$(3.11) \quad \varphi \simeq \varphi' \quad \text{in } U \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi'(K) \subset \hat{U}.$$

Take $A \in \mathcal{K}$ and a map $\alpha: A \rightarrow U_0$ and let \hat{U} be a neighborhood of X in N . Since $\dim A \leq n$, there exist polyhedra K_i for $i = 1, 2, \dots$, and maps $p_{i' i}: K_{i'} \rightarrow K_i$ for $i' > i$ such that $\dim K_i \leq n$ and $A = \varprojlim \{K_i, p_{i' i}\}$. Let the maps $p_i: A \rightarrow K_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots$ be projections such that $p_i = p_{i' i} \circ p_{i'}$ for $i < i'$. Since U_0 is open in $N \in \text{AR}(\mathcal{M})$, there exist an integer i_0 and a map $\bar{\alpha}: K_{i_0} \rightarrow U_0$ such that $\bar{\alpha} \circ p_{i_0} \simeq \alpha$.

Let K_{i_0} be homotopically equivalent to $K \in \mathcal{W}^n$. Hence there exist maps $f: K_{i_0} \rightarrow K$ and $g: K \rightarrow K_{i_0}$ such that $g \circ f \simeq \text{id}_{K_{i_0}}$. Take $\varphi = \bar{a} \circ g$. Since X is \mathcal{W}^n -movable, there exists a $\varphi': K \rightarrow U_0$ satisfying (3.11). Thus $\varphi' \circ f \circ p_{i_0} \simeq \bar{a} \circ g \circ f \circ p_{i_0} \simeq a$ in U and $\varphi' \circ f \circ p_{i_0}(A) \subset \hat{U}$. Then X is \mathcal{R} -movable, and thus by (2.4) X is n -movable.

Let W^n be a one-point compactification of a disjoint union of polyhedra belonging to \mathcal{W}^n . The family \mathcal{W}^n is M -dominated by the family consisting of the single element W^n . Combining this with Theorem 17 in [4] and with Theorem (3.10) we get the following

(3.12) COROLLARY. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a) X is n -movable,
- (b) X is A -movable for every compactum A of dimension $\leq n$,
- (c) X is W^n -movable.

By Corollary (2.12) we can replace “dim A ” by “Fd(A)” in condition (b).

(3.13) THEOREM. *If a compactum X is n -movable and $\text{Fd}(X) \leq n$, then X is movable.*

Proof. Since $\text{Fd}(X) \leq n$, there exists a compactum Y such that $\text{Sh}(Y) = \text{Sh}(X)$ and $\dim Y \leq n$ ([9]). Hence there exist polyhedra Y_i for $i = 1, 2, \dots$ and maps $p_{i,i'}: Y_{i'} \rightarrow Y_i$ for $i' > i$ such that $\dim Y_i \leq n$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots$ and $Y = \varprojlim \{Y_i, p_{i,i'}\}$. Y is n -movable ([3], p. 860). Then it follows by Theorem (3.10) that Y is \mathcal{W}^n -movable. Let $\mathcal{R} = \{Y_i: i = 1, 2, \dots\}$. By Theorem (2.5), Y is \mathcal{R} -movable. Finally, by Lemma (3.5), Y is movable. Movability is a shape property ([1], p. 142), and thus X is movable.

It is easy to see that if a compactum X is \mathcal{R} -movable, then X is A -movable for every $A \in \mathcal{R}$. But the converse implication fails:

(3.14) EXAMPLE. There exist a family \mathcal{R} of compacta and a compactum X which is A -movable for every $A \in \mathcal{R}$, but is not \mathcal{R} -movable.

For every natural n let T_n be the orientable surface with n handles. Put $\mathcal{R} = \{T_n: n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ and let X be a non-movable continuum described by K. Borsuk in [2]. The compactum X can be obtained as an inverse limit of a sequence $\{T_n, p_{n,m}\}$ satisfying the condition: for $n \leq m$ there exists a point $a_n \in T_n$ for which $p_{n,m}|_{p_{n,m}^{-1}(a_n)}$ is an embedding. By Lemma (3.5), X is not \mathcal{R} -movable. It remains to prove that X is T_k -movable for every $T_k \in \mathcal{R}$. Let n be an integer and let n_0 be greater than n and k . Take $\hat{n} \geq n_0$ and let α carry T_k into T_{n_0} . Since the number of handles of T_k is greater than the number of handles of T_{n_0} , α is homotopic to a map β with values in $T_{n_0} - \{a_{n_0}\}$. Define $\alpha': T_k \rightarrow T_{\hat{n}}$ by $\alpha'(x) = p_{n_0, \hat{n}}^{-1}(\beta(x))$; thus (3.3) is satisfied. By Lemma (3.2) X is T_k -movable.

4. Some properties of \mathcal{R} -movability.

(4.1) EXAMPLE. For $n = 2, 3, \dots$, there exists a continuum X_n which is $(n-1)$ -movable but is not n -movable.

Let X_n be an inverse limit of a sequence $\{S_k^n, p_{kk'}\}$, where S_k^n is a n -dimensional sphere for $k = 1, 2, \dots$ and the maps $p_{kk'}: S_k^n \rightarrow S_{k'}^n$, for $k' > k$, are such that $|\deg p_{kk'}| > 1$. X_1 is a solenoid and X_2 is the suspension of a solenoid. Since the homotopy classes of the maps $p_{kk'}$ are given, the shape of X_n is completely determined. X_n is non-movable ([8], p. 652); therefore by Theorem (3.13), X_n is not n -movable. By Corollary (3.4) and Theorem (3.10), X_n is $(n-1)$ -movable. This example is an answer to the Problem (4.6) from [3], p. 864.

For a family \mathcal{R} of compacta and for an arbitrary binary operation \circ in the family of all compacta, the following two problems arise:

1° Is it true that if X and Y are \mathcal{R} -movable, then $X \circ Y$ is \mathcal{R} -movable?

2° Is it true that if X is A -movable and B -movable, then X is $A \circ B$ -movable?

First, we are going to answer these two questions for \circ being the Cartesian product. By a slight change of the proof that if X and Y are movable, then $X \times Y$ is movable ([1], p. 142) one proves the following

(4.2) THEOREM. *X and Y are \mathcal{R} -movable if and only if $X \times Y$ is \mathcal{R} -movable.*

(4.3) COROLLARY. *X and Y are n -movable if and only if $X \times Y$ is n -movable.*

By Example (4.1), for $n = 1, 2, \dots$ there exists a n -movable compactum which is not $(n+1)$ -movable. Therefore

(4.4) *If X is n -movable and Y is m -movable, then $X \times Y$ is $\min(n, m)$ -movable and the last number cannot be increased in general.*

The statement (4.4) is an answer to Problem (1.6) from [3], p. 860.

It is not true that if X is A -movable and B -movable, then X is $A \times B$ -movable.

(4.5) EXAMPLE. There exists a compactum X which is S^1 -movable but is not $S^1 \times S^1$ -movable. Furthermore the non-movable compactum X is \mathcal{R} -movable, where \mathcal{R} is a family of spheres of all dimensions.

Let $\{\lambda_k\}$ and $\{\lambda'_k\}$ be sequences of prime numbers greater than 1. Let S_k and S'_k be circles for $k = 1, 2, \dots$ and let $a_k \in S_k$ and $a'_k \in S'_k$. Denote $(S_k \times \{a'_k\}) \cup (\{a_k\} \times S'_k)$ by $S_k \dot{\cup} S'_k$. Let $S_k \dot{\cup} S'_k$, for $k = 2, 3, \dots$

and $S_1 \times S'_1$ be pairwise disjoint sets. Put $X_1 = S_1 \times S'_1$ and $X_n = S_1 \times S'_1 \cup \bigcup_{k=2}^n S_k \times S'_k$ for $n \geq 2$. Define maps $p_{n,n+1}: X_{n+1} \rightarrow X_n$ by

$$p_{n,n+1}(x) = \begin{cases} h_{n+1}(x) & \text{for } x \in S_{n+1} \times S'_{n+1}, \\ (p_n, p'_n)(x) & \text{for } x \in S_1 \times S'_1, \\ x & \text{for } x \in \bigcup_{k=2}^n S_k \times S'_k, \end{cases}$$

where the map $h_n: S_n \times S'_n \rightarrow S_1 \times S'_1$ is a homeomorphism and maps $p_n: S_1 \times S'_1 \rightarrow S_1 \times S'_1$ are such that $\deg p_n = \lambda_n$ and $\deg p'_n = \lambda'_n$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Put $p_{nn'} = p_{n,n+1} \circ \dots \circ p_{n'-1,n}$: $X_{n'} \rightarrow X_n$ for $n' > n$. Let $X = \varprojlim \{X_n, p_{nn'}\}$. Let \mathcal{R} be a family of spheres of all dimensions. We will prove that X is \mathcal{R} -movable. Let n be an integer and put $n_0 = n$. Take $\hat{n} \geq n$ and a map $\alpha: S^{\hat{n}} \rightarrow X_{n_0}$. If $m > 1$, then α is homotopic to a constant map. Let $\alpha': S^{\hat{n}} \rightarrow X_{\hat{n}}$ be a constant map such that the sets $p_{n\hat{n}} \circ \alpha'(S^{\hat{n}})$ and $\alpha(S^{\hat{n}})$ are both included in the same component of X_n . Then condition (3.3) is satisfied. In the case of $\hat{n} = n$, we put $\alpha' = \alpha$; then condition (3.3) is also satisfied. Consider $m = 1$ and $\hat{n} > n$. If $\alpha(S^1) \subset \bigcup_{k=2}^n S_k \times S'_k$, then define $\alpha': S^1 \rightarrow X_{\hat{n}}$ by $\alpha'(x) = \alpha(x)$ for $x \in S^1$. Thus $p_{n\hat{n}} \circ \alpha' = \alpha$. If $\alpha(S^1) \subset S_1 \times S'_1$, then α is homotopic to some map $\bar{\alpha}: S^1 \rightarrow X_n$ with values in $S_1 \times S'_1$. Then define $\alpha': S^1 \rightarrow X_{\hat{n}}$ by $\alpha'(x) = h_n^{-1}(\bar{\alpha}(x))$. Thus $p_{n\hat{n}} \circ \alpha' = \bar{\alpha} \simeq \alpha$ and by Lemma (3.2), X is \mathcal{R} -movable. We will now prove that X is not $S^1 \times S^1$ -movable. Put $n = 1$ and for $n_0 \geq 1$ put $\hat{n} = n_0 + 1$. Let a map $\alpha: S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow X_{n_0}$ be an embedding; then $\alpha(S^1 \times S^1) = S_1 \times S'_1$. Assume that a map $\alpha': S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow X_{n_0+1}$. Since $S^1 \times S^1$ is connected, $\alpha'(S^1 \times S^1) \subset S_1 \times S'_1$ or $\alpha'(S^1 \times S^1) \subset \bigcup_{k=2}^{n_0+1} S_k \times S'_k$. In the first case, since λ_{n_0} and λ'_{n_0} are greater than 1, $p_{1n_0} \circ \alpha$ and $p_{1n_0+1} \circ \alpha'$ are not homotopic. In the second case, $p_{1\hat{n}} \circ \alpha'(S^1 \times S^1) \subset S_1 \times S'_1 \not\subset S_1 \times S'_1$. But $p_{1n_0} \circ \alpha$ is homotopic to no map with values in a proper subset of $S_1 \times S'_1$. By Lemma (3.2) we infer that X is not $S^1 \times S^1$ -movable. Thus X is non-movable. Since X is \mathcal{R} -movable, X is S^n -movable for $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Example (4.5) is an answer to Problem 19 from [4].

Now consider the join of two spaces as the operation \circ . The join $X * Y$ of two compacta X, Y is the quotient space $(X \times Y \times [0, 1])_{/G}$, where G is the decomposition of $X \times Y \times [0, 1]$ into sets of the form $\{a\} \times X \times \{1\}$ or $X \times \{b\} \times \{0\}$ (where $a \in X$ and $b \in Y$) and into single points. The shape of $X * Y$ depends only upon $\text{Sh}(X)$ and $\text{Sh}(Y)$ ([10], p. 854).

In general for the operation of the join the answers to questions 1° and 2° are negative. Indeed, the join $S * S^n$ of a solenoid S and a n -di-

mensional sphere S^n (i.e., the space X_n in Example (4.1)) is not movable. $S * S^n$ is a inverse limit of a sequence of $n+2$ -dimensional spheres. By Lemma (3.5) $S * S^n$ is not S^{n+2} -movable, while by Corollary (3.4) S and S^n are S^{n+2} -movable. Also it is easy to see that the join $A * B$ of two two-point spaces A and B is a circle S^1 . By Corollary (3.4) a solenoid is A -movable and B -movable, but is not S^1 -movable.

(4.6) THEOREM. Let \mathcal{R} be a family of compacta such that if $A \in \mathcal{R}$ and a compactum B is the closure of an open subset of A , then $B \in \mathcal{R}$. If compacta X and Y are \mathcal{R} -movable, then the join $X * Y$ is \mathcal{R} -movable.

Proof. Let Q and Q' be the Hilbert cubes. Assume that $X \subset Q$ and $Y \subset Q'$. $M = Q * Q' \in \mathcal{AR}$ ([10], p. 854). Let U be a neighborhood of $X * Y$ in M . There exists a neighborhood U^1 of X in Q and a neighborhood U^2 of Y in Q' and a number $\varepsilon \in (0, \frac{1}{6})$ such that the sets $U^1 * U^2 = \{[(x, y, t)] \in M; x \in U^1, y \in U^2\}$, $K(U^1, \varepsilon) = \{[(x, y, t)] \in M; x \in U^1, y \in Q', 1 - \varepsilon < t \leq 1\}$ and $K'(U^2, \varepsilon) = \{[(x, y, t)] \in M; x \in Q, y \in U^2, 0 \leq t < \varepsilon\}$ are subset of U .

Since X and Y are \mathcal{R} -movable, for U^1 and U^2 there exist neighborhoods: U_0^1 of X in Q and U_0^2 of Y in Q' satisfying required conditions of the definition of the \mathcal{R} -movability. The set $U_0 = K(U_0^1, \varepsilon) \cup K'(U_0^2, \varepsilon) \cup U_0^1 \times U_0^2 \times [0, 1]_{/G}$ is a neighborhood of $X * Y$ in M ([10], p. 854). Let \hat{U} be a neighborhood of $X * Y$ in M . There exists a neighborhood \hat{U}^1 of X in Q and a neighborhood \hat{U}^2 of Y in Q' such that $\hat{U}^1 * \hat{U}^2 \subset \hat{U}$. Take $A \in \mathcal{R}$ and a map $\alpha: A \rightarrow U_0$. The sets $B = \alpha^{-1}(U_0^1 \times U_0^2 \times (\varepsilon, 1]_{/G})$ and $B' = \alpha^{-1}(U_0^1 \times U_0^2 \times [0, 1 - \varepsilon]_{/G})$ belong to \mathcal{R} . Let a map $p_1: Q \times Q' \times [0, 1]_{/G}$ be defined by $p_1([(x, y, t)]) = x$ for $[(x, y, t)] \in Q \times Q' \times (0, 1]_{/G}$ and let a map $p_2: Q \times Q' \times [0, 1]_{/G}$ be defined by $p_2([(x, y, t)]) = y$ for $[(x, y, t)] \in Q \times Q' \times [0, 1]_{/G}$.

Define maps: $\beta: B \rightarrow U_0$ by $\beta(b) = p_1(\alpha(b))$ for $b \in B$ and $\beta': B' \rightarrow U_0$ by $\beta'(b) = p_2(\alpha(b))$ for $b \in B'$. Since X and Y are \mathcal{R} -movable, there exists a homotopy $F: B \times [0, 1] \rightarrow U^1$ satisfying conditions: $F(b, 0) = \beta(b)$ and $F(b, 1) \in \hat{U}^1$ for $b \in B$ and there exists a homotopy $F': B' \times [0, 1] \rightarrow U^2$ satisfying conditions: $F'(b, 0) = \beta'(b)$ and $F'(b, 1) \in \hat{U}^2$ for $b \in B'$. Define a map $g: M \rightarrow [0, 1]$ by $g([(x, y, t)]) = t$ for $[(x, y, t)] \in M = Q \times Q' \times [0, 1]_{/G}$. For $s \in [0, 1]$ let a map $\varphi_s: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ be defined by:

$$\varphi_s(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{3}s, \\ \frac{3t-s}{3-2s} & \text{for } \frac{1}{3}s < t < 1 - \frac{1}{3}s, \\ 1 & \text{for } 1 - \frac{1}{3}s \leq t \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

Define a homotopy $H: A \times [0, 1] \rightarrow U$ by the formula:

$$H(a, s) = \begin{cases} [p_1(a(a)), p_2(a(a)), \varphi_{2s} \circ q(a(a))] & \text{if } 0 \leq s \leq \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } 0 < q(a(a)) < 1, \\ a(a) & \text{if } 0 \leq s \leq \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } q(a(a)) = 0 \text{ or } 1, \\ [F(a, 2s-1), F'(a, 2s-1), \varphi_1 \circ q(a(a))] & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < s \leq 1 \text{ and } \frac{1}{2} < q(a(a)) < \frac{2}{3}, \\ \{F(a, 2s-1)\} \times Q' \times \{1\} & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < s \leq 1 \text{ and } q(a(a)) \geq \frac{2}{3}, \\ Q \times \{F'(a, 2s-1)\} \times \{0\} & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < s \leq 1 \text{ and } q(a(a)) \leq \frac{1}{3}. \end{cases}$$

This homotopy satisfies conditions: $H(a, 0) = a(a)$ and $H(a, 1) \in \hat{U}^1 * \hat{U}^2 \subset \hat{U}$ for every $a \in A$. Thus $X * Y$ is \mathcal{R} -movable.

(4.7) COROLLARY. If the compacta X and Y are n -movable, then the join $X * Y$ is n -movable.

Proof. n -movability is equivalent to \mathcal{R} -movability, where \mathcal{R} is a family of all compacta of the dimension $\leq n$ (cf. (2.4)). If $A \in \mathcal{R}$ and a compactum $B \subset A$, then $\dim B \leq n$, then $B \in \mathcal{R}$. Hence \mathcal{R} satisfies the assumption of Theorem (4.6).

(4.8) EXAMPLE. There exist compacta X^1, X^2, A^1 and A^2 such that $X^1 \cap X^2 = \{a_0\}$, $A^1 \cap A^2 = \{a_0\}$, X^i is $A^1 \cup A^2$ -movable and $X^1 \cup X^2$ is A^i -movable for $i = 1, 2$ but $X^1 \cup X^2$ is not $A^1 \cup A^2$ -movable.

The main idea of this example is due C. Cox [5]. Let $i = 1, 2$. Let $\{\lambda_j^i\}$ be sequences of prime number different from 1. For $k = 1, 2, \dots$, let S_k^i be pairwise disjoint k -dimensional spheres, except the pair S_1^1, S_1^2 with the point a_0 in common. Let $f_j^i: S_1^i \rightarrow S_1^i$ be a map such that $\deg f_j^i = \lambda_j^i$ and $f_j^i(a_0) = a_0$ for $j = 1, 2, \dots$ and let $h_k^i: S_{k+1}^i \rightarrow S_1^i$ be a homeomorphism for $k = 1, 2, \dots$. Put $X_n^i = \bigcup_{k=1}^n S_k^i$. Define $p_{n+1}^i: X_{n+1}^i \rightarrow X_n^i$ by

$$p_{n+1}^i(x) = \begin{cases} f_1^i(x) & \text{for } x \in S_1^i, \\ x & \text{for } x \in \bigcup_{k=2}^n S_k^i, \\ h_1^i(x) & \text{for } x \in S_{n+1}^i. \end{cases}$$

Let $p_{nn'}^i = p_{nn+1}^i \circ \dots \circ p_{n'-1n'}^i$ for $n < n'$ and $p_{nn}^i = \text{id}_{X_n^i}$. Put $X^i = \lim \{X_n^i, p_{nn'}^i\}$. Let n be an integer and put $n_0 = n$. Let $\hat{n} > n$. Define a map $r^i: X_{n_0}^i \rightarrow X_{\hat{n}}^i$ by

$$r^i(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{for } x \in \bigcup_{k=2}^{n_0} S_k^i, \\ (h_1^i)^{-1}(x) & \text{for } x \in S_1^i. \end{cases}$$

Then $p_{nn}^i \circ r^i = \text{id}_{X_n^i} = p_{nn_0}^i$. By Lemma (3.1) X^i is movable; then X^i is B -movable for every compactum B . Let $A^1 = S_1^1$ and $A^2 = S_1^2$. It is easy to see that a compactum $X = X^1 \cup X^2$ is A^1 -movable and A^2 -movable. It remains to prove that X is not $S_1^1 \cup S_1^2$ -movable. Let $S_1^1 \cup S_1^2 = A$. We have $X = \lim \{X_n, q_{nn'}\}$, where $X_n = X_n^1 \cup X_n^2$ and $q_{nn'}(x) = p_{nn'}^i(x)$ for $x \in X_n^i$. Take $n = 1$ and let $n_0 \geq 1$. Put $\hat{n} = n_0 + 1$ and let $\alpha: A \rightarrow X_{n_0}$ be an inclusion map. Take a map $\alpha': A \rightarrow X_{n_0+1}$. For $i = 1, 2$, S_1^i is reeled $(\lambda_1^i \dots \lambda_{n_0-1}^i)$ times in S_1^i by $p_{1n_0}^i \circ \alpha$. Since A is connected, $\alpha'(A)$ is contained in some component of X_{n_0+1} . If $\alpha'(A) \subset S_k^i$ for $k > 1$, then $\alpha'|_{S_1^i}$ for $j \neq i$ is homotopic to a constant map. If $\alpha'(A) \subset S_1^1 \cup S_1^2$, then for $i = 1$, S_1^1 is reeled λ^1 -times in S_1^1 by α' for some integer λ^1 . Since $\lambda_{n_0}^1 > 1$, $\lambda_1^1 \dots \lambda_{n_0-1}^1$ and $\lambda_1^1 \dots \lambda_{n_0}^1 \cdot \lambda^1$ are different. Thus $p_{1n_0}^1 \circ \alpha$ and $p_{1\hat{n}}^1 \circ \alpha'$ are not homotopic. By Lemma (3.2), X is not $A^1 \cup A^2$ -movable.

(4.9) THEOREM. If every component of a compactum X is \mathcal{R} -movable, then X is \mathcal{R} -movable.

Proof. Assume that $X \subset N \in \text{AR}(\mathcal{M})$. Let U be a neighborhood of X in N . As in the proof of a similar theorem for movability ([1], p. 140) we can choose a finite system of components X_1, \dots, X_n of X and pairwise disjoint open sets U_1, \dots, U_n satisfying three conditions:

U_i is a neighborhood of X_i in N for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$,

$U_0 = \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_i$ is a neighborhood of X in N ,

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, for every neighborhood \hat{U}_i of X_i in N and for every $A \in \mathcal{R}$ every map $\alpha_i: A \rightarrow U_i$ is homotopic in U to a map with values in \hat{U}_i .

Let \hat{U} be a neighborhood of X in N and take $A \in \mathcal{R}$ and a map $\alpha: A \rightarrow U_0$. Put $A_i = \alpha^{-1}(U_i)$. Define $\alpha_i: A \rightarrow U_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ by

$$\alpha_i(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha(x) & \text{for } x \in A_i, \\ x_i & \text{for } x \notin A_i, \text{ where } x_i \text{ is a fixed point of } X_i. \end{cases}$$

For $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, let $H_i: A \times [0, 1] \rightarrow U$ be a homotopy such that $H_i(a, 0) = \alpha_i(a)$ and $H_i(a, 1) \in \hat{U}$ for every $a \in A$. Define $H: A \times [0, 1] \rightarrow U$ by $H(a, t) = H_i(a, t)$ for $a \in A_i$. $H(a, 0) = \alpha(a)$ and $H(a, 1) \in \hat{U}$ for every $a \in A$, then X is \mathcal{R} -movable.

On the other hand, it is not true that if X is \mathcal{R} -movable, then every component of X is \mathcal{R} -movable. There exists a movable compactum with a solenoid as a component (K. Borsuk's Example [1], p. 140, also the compactum X^1 in Example (4.8)). As in Example (4.8), for every compactum X which is not \mathcal{R} -movable one can construct an \mathcal{R} -movable compactum Y with X as a component.

(4.10) THEOREM. If \mathcal{K} is a family of all components of a compactum A , then $\{A\}$ and \mathcal{K} are M -equivalent.

Proof. Assume that $X \subset N \in \mathcal{AR}(\mathcal{M})$. Let U , U_0 and \hat{U} be neighborhoods of X in N . Assume that a map $\alpha: A \rightarrow U_0$ and that for every $B \in \mathcal{K}$ there exists a homotopy $\varphi_B: B \times [0, 1] \rightarrow U$ such that $\varphi_B(a, 0) = \alpha(a)$ and $\varphi_B(a, 1) \in \hat{U}$ for every $a \in B$. Since a component B is closed in A and U is open in N , a homotopy φ_B can be extended over a set $B' \times [0, 1]$ such that B' is a closed-open neighborhood of B . As in the proof of Theorem (4.9), one can choose a finite system of components B_1, \dots, B_n such that the sets B'_1, \dots, B'_n constructed for them are pairwise disjoint and $\bigcup_{i=1}^n B'_i = A$. Define a homotopy $H: A \times [0, 1] \rightarrow U$ by $H(a, t) = \varphi_{B'_i}(a, t)$ for $a \in B'_i$; then $H(a, 0) = \alpha(a)$ and $H(a, 1) \in \hat{U}$ for every $a \in A$. Conversely, assume that $B \in \mathcal{K}$, a map $\beta: B \rightarrow U_0$ and that every map $\alpha: A \rightarrow U_0$ is homotopic in U to a map with values in \hat{U} . There exists a closed-open neighborhood B' of B in A and a map $\beta': B' \rightarrow U_0$ extending β . Let $u_0 \in U_0$, and define $\alpha: A \rightarrow U_0$ by

$$\alpha(a) = \begin{cases} \beta'(a) & \text{for } a \in B', \\ u_0 & \text{for } a \in A - B'. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, $\beta = \alpha|_B$ is homotopic in U to a map with values in \hat{U} . Thus A -movability and \mathcal{K} -movability are equivalent.

The notion of n -movability has recently been studied by Kodama and Watanabe and by Kozłowski and Segal (see [6] and [7]). They obtained independently the following results contained in the present paper: Theorems (3.6), (3.10) and (3.13), Example (4.1) and Corollary (4.3).

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