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## **Borsuk's quasi-equivalence is not transitive**

We consider the Borsuk relation of quasi-equivalence on the class of all compacta, and solve, in the negative, the open problem (posed by Borsuk in 1976) concerning transitivity of the quasi-equivalence. Namely, we construct three continua  $X$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$  lying in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $X$  is quasi-equivalent to  $Y$  and  $Y$  is quasi-equivalent to  $Z$ , while  $X$  is not quasi-equivalent to  $Z$ .

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