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A space is called A -cellular if it can be constructed out of A using push-outs, wedges, and telescopes. A space is called A -acyclic if it can be constructed out of A using, in addition to the previous operations, extensions by fibrations (twisted products). The main question of our project is: to what extent an A -acyclic space is A -cellular. A related question is: under what conditions on A can we find a finite space B for which B -cellular spaces coincide with A -acyclic (we look for a finite cellular generator). For example the nilpotence theorem of Devinatz-Hopkins-Smith is equivalent to the existence of such a B for any finite rationally non-trivial complex A . The objective is to construct obstruction groups that detect the difference between being acyclic and cellular. In the talk we will present applications of these obstructions and show that the Dror-Farjoun lattice is more complicated than it has been thought previously. (Received October 01, 2000)