



4 A complex  $A^*$  is called *split* if there are morphisms  $h^n : A^n \rightarrow A^{n-1}$  such that  $d^{n-1}h^n d^{n-1} = d^{n-1}$ . In  $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{Mod} R)$ :

a) Show that  $A^*$  is a split **exact** complex if and only if the identity map on  $A^*$  is null-homotopic.

b) Consider the complex  $H^*(A^*)$  with 0 differentials:

$$\dots \rightarrow H^{n-1}(A^*) \xrightarrow{0} H^n(A^*) \xrightarrow{0} H^{n+1}(A^*) \rightarrow \dots$$

Show that  $A^*$  is split if and only if there is a homotopy equivalence between  $A^*$  and  $H^*(A^*)$ .