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Exercice 1 (Whitehead Theorem for model categories). The goal is to prove that in a model category C , if X, Y are both fibrant and cofibrant objects, then a map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a weak equivalence if and only if it is an homotopy equivalence.

1. Let $f \stackrel{l}{\sim} g$ be left homotopic. Show that f is a weak equivalence if and only if g is a weak equivalence.
2. Let $i : X \xrightarrow{\sim} C$ be an acyclic cofibration where X is both fibrant and cofibrant and C is fibrant. Prove that there is a retraction r of i and then show that r is an homotopy inverse of i .
3. Deduce from the previous question that a weak equivalence between fibrant and cofibrant objects is an homotopy equivalence.
4. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be an homotopy equivalence between fibrant and cofibrant objects, and let $f : X \xrightarrow{i} C \xrightarrow{p} Y$ be a factorization where the first map is an acyclic cofibration.
 - (a) Prove that C is both fibrant and cofibrant and that if g is an homotopy inverse of f , with left homotopy $H : C' \rightarrow Y$ between id_Y and $f \circ g$, there is a lift $H' : C' \rightarrow C$ such that $p \circ H' = H$ and $H' \circ i_0 = i \circ g$.
 - (b) Deduce that $H' \circ i_1 \circ p$ is homotopical to id_C (one can note that i has an homotopy inverse) and then that it is a weak equivalence.
 - (c) Prove that p is a retract of a weak equivalence and then conclude.

Exercice 2. Let $P, Q \in Ch_{\geq 0}(R)$ and $f : P \rightarrow Q$ be a chain complex map which is surjective in degree $n \geq 1$ and is a quasi-isomorphism.

1. Show that f is also surjective in degree 0.
2. Let $P \rightarrow Q$ be a map from a chain complex $\psi : P \in Ch_{\geq 0}(R)$ such that all P_n are projective.
 - (a) Suppose a lift (i.e. $f \circ \tilde{\psi} = \phi$) $\tilde{\psi}_{\leq n} : P_{\leq n} \rightarrow X_{\leq n}$ of ψ is given in degree $\leq n$, which is compatible with the differential. Prove that there exist a linear map $\tilde{\phi}_{n+1} : P_{n+1} \rightarrow X_{n+1}$ lifting ϕ_n and that for any $p \in P_n$, one has $d \circ \tilde{\psi}_{n+1}(p) - \tilde{\psi}(dp)$ is a boundary in the subcomplex $\text{Ker}(f : X \rightarrow Y)$ (hint: prove the latter is acyclic).
 - (b) Deduce that there exist a lifting in the diagram of chain complex

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & X \\
 \downarrow & \nearrow h & \downarrow f \\
 P & \xrightarrow{\psi} & Y
 \end{array}$$

3. Let $A \hookrightarrow B$ be a chain map in $CH_{\geq 0}(R)$, injective in all degrees, whose cokernel P is made of projective modules in every degree. We consider a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{\phi} & X \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\
 B & \xrightarrow{\psi} & Y
 \end{array}$$

- (a) Prove that there are splitting $B_n = A_n \oplus P_n$ such that the differential on the latter sub-complex is written as $d_B(a, p) = (d_A(a) + t(p), d_P(p))$ where d_A, d_B, d_P are the respective differentials of A, B, P .
- (b) Let $\kappa : P_n \rightarrow X_n$ be a lift of $\psi_n|_{P_n}$. Prove that $d \circ \kappa(p) - \kappa \circ d_p(p) - \phi \circ t(p)$ belongs to $\text{Ker}(f : X \rightarrow Y)$.
- (c) Deduce (using a proof similar to the first part of exercise) that one can build a lifting :

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A & \xrightarrow{\phi} & X \\
 \downarrow & \nearrow h & \downarrow f \\
 B & \xrightarrow{\psi} & Y
 \end{array}
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4. let P be a cofibrant chain complex with respect to the projective model structure and K be an acyclic chain complex. Prove that any chain map $f : P \rightarrow K$ is homotpic to the zero map.

Exercise 3 (The canonical model structure in Cat). Let Cat denote the category of small categories with morphisms given by functors between them. Let \mathcal{W} be the collection of functors which are equivalences of categories.

1. Show that the Gabriel-Zisman localization $\text{Cat}[\mathcal{W}^{-1}]$ is equivalent to the category whose objects are small categories and morphisms are isomorphism classes of functors.
2. A functor $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ between small categories is said to be an isofibration if for every object $c \in \mathcal{C}$ and every isomorphism $f : F(c) \rightarrow d$ in \mathcal{D} , there exists an object $c' \in \mathcal{C}$ and an isomorphism $u : c \rightarrow c'$ such that $d = F(c')$ and $f = F(u)$. Show that an isofibration that is an equivalence of categories is surjective on objects. Conversely, show that if a functor F is fully faithful and surjective on objects then it is an isofibration.
3. A functor $F : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ is said to be a cofibration if it is injective on objects. Let Fib denote the collection of all isofibrations and Cof the class of cofibrations. Show that $(\text{Cat}, \mathcal{W}, \text{Fib}, \text{Cof})$ is a model structure and identify its fibrant-cofibrant objects.