

# COMMUTATIVE ALGEBRA

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## 11. regular element

DEFINITION 11.1. Let  $A$  be a commutative ring. Let  $M$  be an  $A$ -module. An element  $x \in A$  is said to be  **$M$ -regular** if

$$0 \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{x} M$$

is exact.

PROPOSITION 11.2. Let  $A$  be a ring,  $M, N$  two  $A$ -modules, and  $x \in A$ . Suppose that  $x$  is both  $A$ -regular and  $M$ -regular, and that  $xN = 0$ . Set  $B = A/xA$  and  $\bar{M} = M/xM$ . Then:

- (1)  $\mathrm{Tor}_n^A(M, B) = 0$  for all  $n > 0$ .
- (2)  $\mathrm{Ext}_A^n(M, N) \cong \mathrm{Ext}_B^n(\bar{M}, N)$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .
- (3)  $\mathrm{Tor}_n^A(M, N) \cong \mathrm{Tor}_n^B(\bar{M}, N)$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .