

## NONNOETHERIAN COMPLETE INTERSECTIONS

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Let all rings here be commutative and unitary. As it is well known, a noetherian local ring  $A$  (quotient of a regular ring with residue field  $K$ ) is a complete intersection if and only if the integers

$$\beta_i = \dim_K \text{Tor}_i^A(K, K)$$

appear in an equality of formal series of the following type

$$\sum \beta_i x^i = (1 + x)^r / (1 - x^2)^s.$$

Furthermore the integer  $r - s$  is positive (equal to the dimension of the noetherian ring  $A$ ). In the nonnoetherian case, by means of André-Quillen homology theory, a criterion is given for characterizing the local rings for which the integers  $\beta_i$  are defined and appear in an equality of formal series as above. An example shows that there is no relation between the integers  $r$  and  $s$  in the nonnoetherian case.

**1. Result.** Let us consider a local ring  $A$  with residue field  $K$  and its homological invariants  $\text{Tor}_i^A(K, K)$  and  $H_j(A, K, K)$  (see [1] for the definition). They are related by the following result, among others.

**THEOREM.** *All the dimensions  $\beta_i$  of the vector spaces  $\text{Tor}_i^A(K, K)$  are finite and satisfy an equality*

$$\sum \beta_i x^i = (1 + x)^r / (1 - x^2)^s$$

*if and only if all the dimensions  $\delta_j$  of the vector spaces  $H_j(A, K, K)$  are finite and satisfy an equality*

$$\sum \delta_j x^j = rx + sx^2.$$

**PROOF.** The proof is given elsewhere in the paper and involves simplicial theory.

**REMARK.** In the case of characteristic 0, the theorem is a corollary of a result proved by D. Quillen: The graded vector space  $H_*(A, K, K)$  is isomorphic to the graded vector space of the indecomposable elements of the graded Hopf algebra  $\text{Tor}_*^A(K, K)$ . In the case of characteristic  $p$ , such a result cannot hold in all degrees for all rings even if divided powers are considered in the definition of the graded vector space of the indecomposable elements.

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