

# algebraic geometry

**exercise (2.14).** Let  $\psi : \mathbb{P}^r \times \mathbb{P}^s \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^N$  be the map defined by sending the order pair  $(a_0, \dots, a_r) \times (b_0, \dots, b_s)$  to  $(\dots, a_i b_j, \dots)$  in lexicographic order, where  $N = rs + r + s$ . Note that  $\psi$  is well-defined and injective. It is called the *Segre embedding*. Show that the image of  $\psi$  is a subvariety of  $\mathbb{P}^N$ . [Hint: Let the homogeneous coordinates of  $\mathbb{P}^N$  be  $\{z_{ij} : i = 0, \dots, r, j = 0, \dots, s\}$  and let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be the kernel of the homomorphism  $k[\{z_{ij}\}] \rightarrow k[x_0, \dots, x_r, y_0, \dots, y_s]$  which sends  $z_{ij}$  to  $x_i y_j$ . Then show that  $\text{img } \psi = Z(\mathfrak{a})$ .

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**exercise (H-3.16, Products of Quasi-Projective Varieties).** Use the Segre embedding (Ex. 2.14) to identify  $\mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m$  with its image and hence give it a structure of projective variety. Now for any two quasi-projective varieties  $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$  and  $Y \subseteq \mathbb{P}^m$  consider  $X \times Y \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m$ .

- (a) Show that  $X \times Y$  is a quasi-projective variety.
- (b) If  $X, Y$  are both projective, show that  $X \times Y$  is projective.
- (c) Show that  $X \times Y$  is a product in the category of varieties.

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