

Errata for the Fifth Edition of  
*Ideals, Varieties, and Algorithms*  
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Page 56, Lemma 2: Replace “An order relation  $>$ ” with “A total order  $>$ ”

Page 235, part (b) of Exercise 13: Replace “ $\mathbf{V}(\text{Per}_{2,2,3})$ ” with “ $\mathbf{V}(\text{Per}_{2,2,3}) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^6$ ”

Page 363, part (c) of Exercise 20: Replace the first two lines with the following:

“To understand why we need both  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , suppose that  $f(x)$  has three distinct roots in a field  $L$  containing  $\mathbb{Q}$ . There are  $6 = 3!$  ways to order the roots as  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$ . Prove that for any of these six orderings, we have”

Page 363, part (c) of Exercise 20: At the end of part (c), add “Hint: Set  $x_i = \alpha_i$  in the formula for  $D$  in Example 9 and note that  $f(x) = (x - \alpha_1)(x - \alpha_2)(x - \alpha_3)$ .”

Page 430, Exercise 16: At the end of line 6, add: “This means that  $X_{\mathcal{A}}$  is the smallest projective variety containing the image of  $\Phi_{\mathcal{A}}$ .”

Page 635, line –3 of Project 16: Replace “§3), It is” with “§3). It is” (change comma to period)