

Understanding of the defining equations and syzygies via inner projections and generic initial ideals

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