1018-13-100 Adam Van Tuyl* (avantuyl@sleet.lakeheadu.ca), Dept. of Mathematical Sciences, Lakehead University, 955 Oliver Road, Thunder Bay, ON P7B 5E1, Canada, and Elena Guardo (guardo@dmi.unict.it), University of Catania. *Classifying ACM sets of points in multiprojective* spaces. Preliminary report.

Let $R = k[x_0, \ldots, x_n]$ with k an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero be the coordinate ring of \mathbb{P}^n . If X is a finite set of points in \mathbb{P}^n , then it is well known that X is always arithmetically Cohen-Macaulay (ACM), that is, the associated coordinate ring R/I_X is always Cohen-Macaulay. However, if X is a finite set of points in a multiprojective space $\mathbb{P}^{n_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{P}^{n_r}$, then X may or may not be ACM. In this talk I will discuss the problem of trying to find a classification of ACM sets of points in multiprojective spaces. I will begin by discussing the case of finite sets of points in $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$. In this situation, there are several classifications of ACM sets of points. I will then show through several examples that these classifications do not extend to a classification of ACM sets of points in a general multiprojective space. This talk is based upon a current project with Elena Guardo. (Received March 01, 2006)