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invertible sheaf

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A sheaf \mathcal{L} of \mathcal{O}_X modules on a ringed space \mathcal{O}_X is called *invertible* if there is another sheaf of \mathcal{O}_X -modules \mathcal{L}' such that $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}' \cong \mathcal{O}_X$. A sheaf is invertible if and only if it is locally free of rank 1, and its inverse is the sheaf $\mathcal{L}^\vee \cong \mathcal{H}om(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{O}_X)$, by the map.

The set of invertible sheaves form an abelian group under tensor multiplication, called the Picard group of X .