

The Riemann-Roch theorem

Following some unpublished results by A. Grothendieck

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Introduction

What follows constitutes the notes from a seminar that took place in Princeton in the autumn of 1957 on the works of Grothendieck; the new results that are included are due to Grothendieck; our contribution is solely of an editorial nature.

The “Riemann-Roch theorem” of which we speak here holds true for (non-singular) algebraic varieties over a field of arbitrary characteristic; in the classical case, where the base field is \mathbb{C} , this theorem encapsulates, as a particular example, the result proven a few years ago by Hirzebruch.[?]

References