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German mathematician whose work on algebraic geometry was considered the first and most fundamental work in that branch of mathematics. Clebsch also developed a brilliant interpretation of some of Georg Riemann's work on function theory and investigated some aspects of algebraic geometry using approaches that differed from convention, focusing on algebraic interpretations rather than geometrical ones. Clebsch also founded an important journal, *Mathematische Annalen* before his premature death at the age of 39.