

The Road to Olympiads - An Exciting Journey!

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Dedication

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For showing me the wonders that mathematics held.

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- 2 India and Olympiads
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- Why does negative times negative equals positive?

Steiner-Lehmus Problem

- Prove the converse of the angle bisector theorem.

Fermat's Little Theorem

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