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Story of a Theorem in Euclidean Geometry



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Venue: RRS905, Sir Run Run Shaw Building, Ho Sin Hang Campus, Hong Kong Baptist University

Abstract

Mathematics is full of mystery and beauty. In this talk, I will illustrate it through a very old theorem in Euclidean geometry. This theorem can be proved in a simple way by using facts in Euclid's "Element". I will show you how it is related to modern geometry and algebra, particularly, the group theory. I will also show our recent researches which have common features based on the same principle and how they interact with the string theory.

+ + All are welcome + + +

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