A História e a Herança da Matemática

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History of mathematics in the classroom: Which are some errors made by mathematicians in the Middle Age and what can students learn from them?

There are many different arguments and some didactical designs for using history of mathematics in teaching and learning.

In the first part of the conference, I will present a few examples of factual and contextual errors made by mathematicians in the Middle Age (Fibonacci, Tartaglia, Nicolas Chuquet, Juan de Ortega). This part will conclude by a hypothesis about why some of these errors were repeated over time. In the second part, I will expose didactical designs for possible using of these errors in mathematics learning. In addition, the most important aspects of students' performances in their classroom implementations will be presented and commented.

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