

Math 431 Homework 7

Due 11/6

1. Prove the Crossbar theorem: If ray  $\overrightarrow{AD}$  is between rays  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and  $\overrightarrow{AC}$  then  $\overrightarrow{AD}$  intersects segment  $BC$ .

*Proof.* Suppose the contrary, that  $BC$  does not meet ray  $\overrightarrow{AD}$ . Either  $BC$  meets line  $\overleftrightarrow{AD}$  or it does not. If it meets  $\overleftrightarrow{AD}$ , by Proposition 3.4 (line separation property) it must meet the ray opposite to  $\overrightarrow{AD}$  at a point  $E \neq A$ . According to Proposition 3.8(b),  $E$  is not in the interior of  $\sphericalangle CAB$ . Point  $B$  does not lie on  $\overleftrightarrow{AD}$ ; this is because  $D \in \text{int}\sphericalangle CAB$ , so  $D$  and  $C$  lie on the same side of  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$ , so  $D \notin \{\overleftrightarrow{AB}\}$ , so  $B \notin \{\overleftrightarrow{AD}\}$ . Thus, since  $E \in \{\overleftrightarrow{AD}\}$ , we have  $E \neq B$ . By the same reasoning with  $C$  and  $B$  interchanged, we have  $E \neq C$ . Since  $E \in BC$  and  $E$  is not an endpoint, we have  $B * E * C$ . Thus by Proposition 3.7,  $E$  is in the interior of  $\sphericalangle CAB$ , a contradiction. Thus  $\overleftrightarrow{AD}$  does not meet  $BC$  at all; that is,  $B$  and  $C$  are on the same side of  $\overleftrightarrow{AD}$ . By B-2, we have a point  $E$  such that  $C * A * E$ . By Lemma 3.2.2,  $C$  and  $E$  are on opposite sides of  $\overleftrightarrow{AD}$ . Thus, by B-4(iii),  $E$  and  $B$  are on opposite sides of  $\overleftrightarrow{AD}$ . But by Proposition 3.8(c),  $B$  is on the interior of  $\sphericalangle DAE$ , so  $E$  and  $B$  are on the same side of  $\overleftrightarrow{AD}$ . This is a contradiction. Thus,  $\overrightarrow{AD}$  meets  $BC$ .  $\square$

2. Prove the best theorem you can come up with that roughly corresponds to Pasch's theorem where line that intersects one of the sides is replaced by a ray. Make sure to define all the terms you are using.

3. Prove Proposition 3.11: If  $A * B * C$ ,  $D * E * F$ ,  $AB \cong DE$ , and  $AC \cong DF$ , then  $BC \cong EF$ .

Assume to the contrary that  $BC$  is not congruent to  $EF$ .

By C-1 there exists a point  $G$  on  $\overrightarrow{EF}$  such that  $BC \cong EG$ . From here and our assumption that  $BC \not\cong EF$ , we have  $G \neq F$ . By C-3 we get  $AC \cong DG$ , and by hypothesis  $AC \cong DF$ , hence, by C-2,  $DG \cong DF$ . By the uniqueness part of C-1,  $G = F$ . But this is a contradiction to the above statement that  $G \neq F$ .