

Today, Working up to Legendre's Theorems related to Post. V.

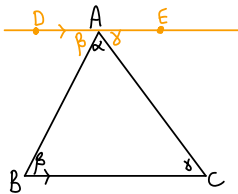
First,

Prop: Postulate V \Leftrightarrow the sum of the interior angles of a triangle is π .

$V \Leftrightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma = \pi$

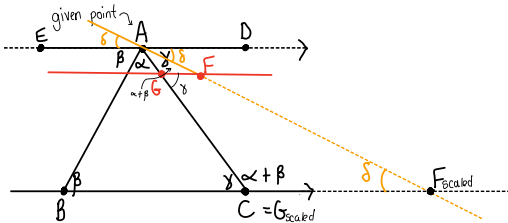
Proof: \Rightarrow

Assume Post. V



- By Post. V there is a unique line through A parallel to BC
- By the Z-theorem (I-29), $\angle DAB = \beta$ and $\angle EAC = \gamma$. Thus $\angle DAE = \pi = \beta + \alpha + \gamma$.

\Leftarrow



- Assume that for any triangle $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = \pi$
- [To show: Post V']
- Pick B and C on the given line and make $\triangle ABC$
- Pick D such that $\angle DAC = \gamma$ and E such that $\angle EAB = \beta$
- E, A, D are collinear because $\angle EAD = \beta + \alpha + \gamma = \pi$
- We need to show it is parallel to BC.
- By the Z-theorem (I-28) since $\angle EAB = \angle ABC$, EA is parallel to BC.
- Why is ED the unique line through A parallel to BC?
- Suppose another line through A passes between D and C. Pick a point F on this line (on the same side of BC as D is)
- Draw a line through F, intersecting AC at a point G s.t. $\angle AGF = \alpha + \beta$
- Then by the Z-theorem (I-28), GF is parallel to BC.
- Scale $\triangle AGF$ by $\frac{|AC|}{|AG|}$... and place the scaled version with AG on AC
- Then GF lies along BC and so AF meets BC at the new scaled F

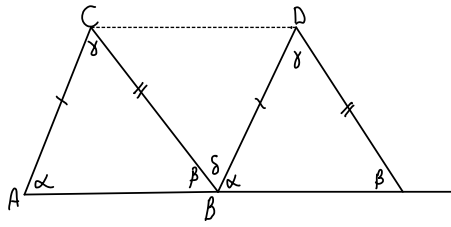
Legendre's First Theorem

Assume Postulate I-IV (and S and A and...) hold, then the sum of the interior angles of a triangle cannot exceed two right angles.

[The elliptic plane is impossible with an unmodified Post. II.]

Proof:

- Assume by way of contradiction that $\triangle ABC$ has $\alpha + \beta + \gamma > \pi$



$$\alpha + \beta + \delta = \pi < \alpha + \beta + \gamma \Rightarrow \delta < \gamma$$

so, $|CD| < |AB|$