

# Book 9

## Proposition 34

If a number is neither (one) of the (numbers) doubled from a dyad, nor has an odd half, then it is (both) an even-times-even and an even-times-odd (number).

**A**  $\longleftarrow$   $\longrightarrow$

For let the number  $A$  neither be (one) of the (numbers) doubled from a dyad, nor let it have an odd half. I say that  $A$  is (both) an even-times-even and an even-times-odd (number).

In fact, (it is) clear that  $A$  is an even-times-even (number) [Def. 7.8]. For it does not have an odd half. So I say that it is also an even-times-odd (number). For if we cut  $A$  in half, and (then cut) its half in half, and we do this continually, then we will arrive at some odd number which will measure  $A$  according to an even number. For if not, we will arrive at a dyad, and  $A$  will be (one) of the (numbers) doubled from a dyad. The very opposite thing (was) assumed. Hence,  $A$  is an even-times-odd (number) [Def. 7.9]. And it was also shown (to be) an even-times-even (number). Thus,  $A$  is (both) an even-times-even and an even-times-odd (number). (Which is) the very thing it was required to show.