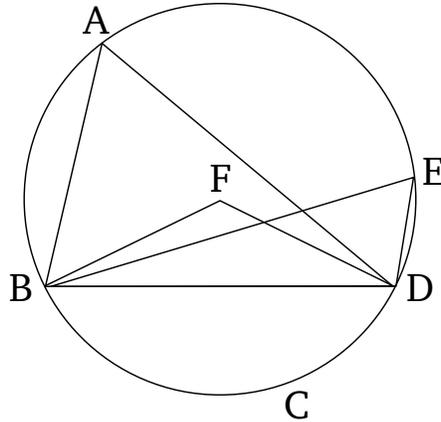


Book 3

Proposition 21

In a circle, angles in the same segment are equal to one another.



Let $ABCD$ be a circle, and let BAD and BED be angles in the same segment $BAED$. I say that angles BAD and BED are equal to one another.

For let the center of circle $ABCD$ have been found [Prop. 3.1], and let it be (at point) F . And let BF and FD have been joined.

And since angle BFD is at the center, and BAD at the circumference, and they have the same circumference base BCD , angle BFD is thus double BAD [Prop. 3.20]. So, for the same (reasons), BFD is also double BED . Thus, BAD (is) equal to BED .

Thus, in a circle, angles in the same segment are equal to one another. (Which is) the very thing it was required to show.