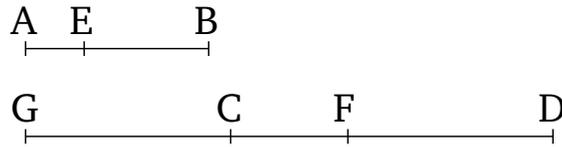


# Book 7

## Proposition 7

If a number is that part of a number that a (part) taken away (is) of a (part) taken away then the remainder will also be the same part of the remainder that the whole (is) of the whole.



For let a number  $AB$  be that part of a number  $CD$  that a (part) taken away  $AE$  (is) of a part taken away  $CF$ . I say that the remainder  $EB$  is also the same part of the remainder  $FD$  that the whole  $AB$  (is) of the whole  $CD$ .

For which(ever) part  $AE$  is of  $CF$ , let  $EB$  also be the same part of  $CG$ . And since which(ever) part  $AE$  is of  $CF$ ,  $EB$  is also the same part of  $CG$ , thus which(ever) part  $AE$  is of  $CF$ ,  $AB$  is also the same part of  $GF$  [Prop. 7.5]. And which(ever) part  $AE$  is of  $CF$ ,  $AB$  is also assumed (to be) the same part of  $CD$ . Thus, also, which(ever) part  $AB$  is of  $GF$ ,  $(AB)$  is also the same part of  $CD$ . Thus,  $GF$  is equal to  $CD$ . Let  $CF$  have been subtracted from both. Thus, the remainder  $GC$  is equal to the remainder  $FD$ . And since which(ever) part  $AE$  is of  $CF$ ,  $EB$  [is] also the same part of  $GC$ , and  $GC$  (is) equal to  $FD$ , thus which(ever) part  $AE$  is of  $CF$ ,  $EB$  is also the same part of  $FD$ . But, which(ever) part  $AE$  is of  $CF$ ,  $AB$  is also the same part of  $CD$ . Thus, the remainder  $EB$  is also the same part of the remainder

*FD* that the whole *AB* (is) of the whole *CD*. (Which is) the very thing it was required to show.