

Proposition 3.7. Given an angle $\sphericalangle CAB$ and a point D lying on line \overleftrightarrow{BC} . Then D is in the interior of $\sphericalangle CAB$ if and only if $B * D * C$.

Proof. Let $\sphericalangle CAB$ be an angle with a point D lying on \overleftrightarrow{BC} . Begin by assuming that D is in the interior of $\sphericalangle CAB$. Then C and D are on the same side of \overleftrightarrow{AB} , meaning segment CD does not intersect \overleftrightarrow{AB} . Since B , C , and D are all collinear (and thus, \overleftrightarrow{AB} intersects \overleftrightarrow{CD} only at point B), this means that $B * D * C$, $B * C * D$. (Note that since plane separation implies the existence of a segment CD , we may rule out the case in which $C = D$.) But by a similar argument, B and D must be on the same side of \overleftrightarrow{AC} , so $B * C * D$ is a contradiction, as it implies that segment BD intersects \overleftrightarrow{AC} at C . Thus, $B * D * C$.

For the converse direction, let $B * D * C$. Then \overleftrightarrow{AC} cannot intersect segment BD , and \overleftrightarrow{AB} cannot intersect segment CD . Thus, B and D are on the same side of \overleftrightarrow{AC} , and C and D are on the same side of \overleftrightarrow{AB} , so D is in the interior of $\sphericalangle CAB$ by definition. \square

