

### Alternate solution for problem 3

This problem can be solved using the Plane Separation Postulate rather than Pasch's Theorem as follows: By  $a * b * c$  and  $a * d * e$  we know that  $a$  and  $b$  are on the same side of  $cd$  while  $a$  and  $e$  are on opposite sides of  $cd$ . Therefore  $b$  and  $e$  are on opposite sides of  $cd$  and hence there is a point  $x \in (be) \cap cd$ . If we switch the roles of  $b$  and  $c$  with those of  $d$  and  $e$ , we see that there is a point  $y \in (cd) \cap be$ . Now the lines  $cd$  and  $be$  have only one point in common (they are distinct), and since both  $x$  and  $y$  lie on the two lines we must have  $x = y$ . But this means that  $x = y$  lies on each of the segments  $(be)$  and  $(cd)$ . ■