

## Proof of Theorem 102b

The theorem to be proved is

$$x \cdot (y \cdot 0) = (x \cdot y) \cdot 0$$

Suppose the theorem does not hold. Then, with the variables held fixed,

$$(H) \quad [[\neg (x \cdot (y \cdot 0)) = ((x \cdot y) \cdot 0)]]$$

### Special cases of the hypothesis and previous results:

$$0: \quad \neg x \cdot (y \cdot 0) = (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 \quad \text{from } H:x:y$$

$$1: \quad y \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \text{from } \underline{100};y$$

$$2: \quad x \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \text{from } \underline{100};x$$

$$3: \quad (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \text{from } \underline{100};x \cdot y$$

### Equality substitutions:

$$4: \quad \neg y \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \vee \quad x \cdot (y \cdot 0) = (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 \quad \vee \quad \neg x \cdot (0) = (x \cdot y) \cdot 0$$

$$5: \quad \neg x \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \vee \quad (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0 \quad \vee \quad \neg (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = 0$$

### Inferences:

$$6: \quad \neg y \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \vee \quad \neg (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0 \quad \text{by}$$

$$0: \quad \neg x \cdot (y \cdot 0) = (x \cdot y) \cdot 0$$

$$4: \quad \neg y \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \vee \quad x \cdot (y \cdot 0) = (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 \quad \vee \quad \neg (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0$$

$$7: \quad \neg (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0 \quad \text{by}$$

$$1: \quad y \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$6: \quad \neg y \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \vee \quad \neg (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0$$

$$8: \quad (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0 \quad \vee \quad \neg (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \text{by}$$

$$2: \quad x \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$5: \quad \neg x \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \vee \quad (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0 \quad \vee \quad \neg (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$9: \quad (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0 \quad \text{by}$$

$$3: \quad (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$8: \quad (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0 \quad \vee \quad \neg (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$10: \quad QEA \quad \text{by}$$

$$7: \quad \neg (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0$$

$$9: \quad (x \cdot y) \cdot 0 = x \cdot 0$$