

## Proof of Theorem 141a

The theorem to be proved is

$$x \cdot z = y \cdot z \quad \& \quad x < y \quad \& \quad z \neq 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad x = y$$

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

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

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

- 0:  $y \cdot z = x \cdot z$  from H: $x:z:y$
- 1:  $x < y$  from H: $x:z:y$
- 2:  $\neg 0 = z$  from H: $x:z:y$
- 3:  $\neg x < y \vee x + (y - x) = y$  from [108](#); $x;y$
- 4:  $\neg x < y \vee \neg y - x = 0$  from [108](#); $x;y$
- 5:  $(x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x + (y - x)) \cdot z$  from [106](#); $x;y - x;z$
- 6:  $\neg (y - x) \cdot z = 0 \vee y - x = 0 \vee 0 = z$  from [132](#); $y - x;z$
- 7:  $(x \cdot z) + 0 = x \cdot z$  from [12](#); $x \cdot z$
- 8:  $\neg (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x \cdot z) + 0 \vee (y - x) \cdot z = 0$  from [120](#); $x \cdot z;0;(y - x) \cdot z$

### Equality substitutions:

- 9:  $\neg y \cdot z = x \cdot z \vee (x \cdot z) + 0 = y \cdot z \vee \neg (x \cdot z) + 0 = x \cdot z$
- 10:  $\neg x + (y - x) = y \vee \neg (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x + (y - x)) \cdot z \vee (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (y) \cdot z$
- 11:  $\neg (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = y \cdot z \vee (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x \cdot z) + 0 \vee \neg y \cdot z = (x \cdot z) + 0$

### Inferences:

- 12:  $(x \cdot z) + 0 = y \cdot z \vee \neg (x \cdot z) + 0 = x \cdot z$  by
  - 0:  $y \cdot z = x \cdot z$
  - 9:  $\neg y \cdot z = x \cdot z \vee (x \cdot z) + 0 = y \cdot z \vee \neg (x \cdot z) + 0 = x \cdot z$
- 13:  $x + (y - x) = y$  by
  - 1:  $x < y$
  - 3:  $\neg x < y \vee x + (y - x) = y$

- 14:  $\neg y - x = 0$  by  
 1:  $x < y$   
 4:  $\neg x < y \vee \neg y - x = 0$
- 15:  $\neg (y - x) \cdot z = 0 \vee y - x = 0$  by  
 2:  $\neg 0 = z$   
 6:  $\neg (y - x) \cdot z = 0 \vee y - x = 0 \vee 0 = z$
- 16:  $\neg x + (y - x) = y \vee (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = y \cdot z$  by  
 5:  $(x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x + (y - x)) \cdot z$   
 10:  $\neg x + (y - x) = y \vee \neg (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x + (y - x)) \cdot z \vee$   
 $(x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = y \cdot z$
- 17:  $(x \cdot z) + 0 = y \cdot z$  by  
 7:  $(x \cdot z) + 0 = x \cdot z$   
 12:  $(x \cdot z) + 0 = y \cdot z \vee \neg (x \cdot z) + 0 = x \cdot z$
- 18:  $(x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = y \cdot z$  by  
 13:  $x + (y - x) = y$   
 16:  $\neg x + (y - x) = y \vee (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = y \cdot z$
- 19:  $\neg (y - x) \cdot z = 0$  by  
 14:  $\neg y - x = 0$   
 15:  $\neg (y - x) \cdot z = 0 \vee y - x = 0$
- 20:  $\neg (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = y \cdot z \vee (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x \cdot z) + 0$  by  
 17:  $(x \cdot z) + 0 = y \cdot z$   
 11:  $\neg (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = y \cdot z \vee (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x \cdot z) + 0$   
 $\vee \neg (x \cdot z) + 0 = y \cdot z$
- 21:  $(x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x \cdot z) + 0$  by  
 18:  $(x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = y \cdot z$   
 20:  $\neg (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = y \cdot z \vee (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x \cdot z) + 0$
- 22:  $\neg (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x \cdot z) + 0$  by  
 19:  $\neg (y - x) \cdot z = 0$   
 8:  $\neg (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x \cdot z) + 0 \vee (y - x) \cdot z = 0$
- 23: *QEA* by  
 21:  $(x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x \cdot z) + 0$   
 22:  $\neg (x \cdot z) + ((y - x) \cdot z) = (x \cdot z) + 0$