## Proof of Theorem 144

The theorem to be proved is

 $x < y \quad \& \quad y \leq z \quad \rightarrow \quad x < z$ 

Suppose the theorem does not hold. Then, with the variables held fixed, (H) [[(x) < (y)] &  $[(y) \le (z)]$  &  $[\neg (x) < (z)]]$ 

## Special cases of the hypothesis and previous results:

0: x < y from H:x:y:z 1:  $y \le z$  from H:x:y:z 2:  $\neg x < z$  from H:x:y:z 3:  $\neg x < y \lor x \le y$  from  $\underline{56}^{\rightarrow};x;y$ 4:  $\neg x \le y \lor \neg y \le z \lor x \le z$  from  $\underline{73};x;y;z$ 5:  $x < z \lor \neg x \le z \lor z = x$  from  $\underline{56}^{\leftarrow};x;z$ 6:  $\neg x < y \lor \neg y \le x$  from  $\underline{80};x;y$ 

## Equality substitutions:

7: 
$$\neg z = x \lor \neg y \leq z \lor y \leq x$$

## Inferences:

- 8:  $x \le y$  by 0: x < y3:  $\neg x < y \lor x \le y$
- 9:  $\neg y \le x$  by 0: x < y6:  $\neg x < y$   $\lor$   $\neg y \le x$
- 10:  $\neg x \leq y \lor x \leq z$  by 1:  $y \leq z$ 4:  $\neg x \leq y \lor \neg y \leq z \lor x \leq z$
- 11:  $\neg z = x \lor y \le x$  by 1:  $y \le z$ 7:  $\neg z = x \lor \neg y \le z \lor y \le x$

- 12:  $\neg x \leq z \quad \lor \quad z = x \quad \text{by}$ 2:  $\neg x < z$ 5:  $x < z \quad \lor \quad \neg x \leq z \quad \lor \quad z = x$ 13:  $x \leq z \quad \text{by}$ 8:  $x \leq y$
- 14:  $\neg z = x$  by 9:  $\neg y \leq x$ 11:  $\neg z = x \lor y \leq x$

10:  $\neg x \leq y \quad \lor \quad x \leq z$ 

- 15: z = x by 13:  $x \le z$ 12:  $\neg x \le z \lor z = x$
- 16: QEA by 14:  $\neg z = x$ 15: z = x