

Proof of Theorem 15i

The theorem to be proved is

$$[x + y = 0 \rightarrow x = 0 \ \& \ y = 0] \rightarrow [x + Sy = 0 \rightarrow x = 0 \ \& \ Sy = 0]$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(H)} \quad & [[\neg (x + y) = (0) \vee (x) = (0)] \ \& \ [\neg (x + y) = (0) \vee (y) = (0)]] \\ & \& \ [(x + (Sy)) = (0)] \ \& \ [\neg (x) = (0) \vee \neg (Sy) = (0)] \end{aligned}$$

Special cases of the hypothesis and previous results:

- 0: $x + (Sy) = 0$ from H: $x:y$
- 1: $S(x + y) = x + (Sy)$ from [12](#); $x;y$
- 2: $\neg S(x + y) = 0$ from [3](#); $x + y$

Equality substitutions:

$$3: \neg x + (Sy) = 0 \vee \neg S(x + y) = x + (Sy) \vee S(x + y) = 0$$

Inferences:

- 4: $\neg S(x + y) = x + (Sy) \vee S(x + y) = 0$ by
 - 0: $x + (Sy) = 0$
 - 3: $\neg x + (Sy) = 0 \vee \neg S(x + y) = x + (Sy) \vee S(x + y) = 0$
- 5: $S(x + y) = 0$ by
 - 1: $S(x + y) = x + (Sy)$
 - 4: $\neg S(x + y) = x + (Sy) \vee S(x + y) = 0$
- 6: *QEA* by
 - 2: $\neg S(x + y) = 0$
 - 5: $S(x + y) = 0$