

Proof of Theorem 198

The theorem to be proved is

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

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

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

Special cases of the hypothesis and previous results:

- 0: $x \cdot z = x \cdot y$ from H: $x:y:z$
- 1: $\neg 0 = x$ from H: $x:y:z$
- 2: $\neg z = y$ from H: $x:y:z$
- 3: $y \cdot x = x \cdot y$ from [105](#); $x;y$
- 4: $z \cdot x = x \cdot z$ from [105](#); $x;z$
- 5: $\neg z \cdot x = y \cdot x \vee 0 = x \vee z = y$ from [141](#); $y;x;z$

Equality substitutions:

- 6: $\neg x \cdot z = x \cdot y \vee y \cdot x = x \cdot z \vee \neg y \cdot x = x \cdot y$
- 7: $\neg z \cdot x = x \cdot z \vee z \cdot x = y \cdot x \vee \neg x \cdot z = y \cdot x$

Inferences:

- 8: $y \cdot x = x \cdot z \vee \neg y \cdot x = x \cdot y$ by
 - 0: $x \cdot z = x \cdot y$
 - 6: $\neg x \cdot z = x \cdot y \vee y \cdot x = x \cdot z \vee \neg y \cdot x = x \cdot y$
- 9: $\neg z \cdot x = y \cdot x \vee z = y$ by
 - 1: $\neg 0 = x$
 - 5: $\neg z \cdot x = y \cdot x \vee 0 = x \vee z = y$
- 10: $\neg z \cdot x = y \cdot x$ by
 - 2: $\neg z = y$
 - 9: $\neg z \cdot x = y \cdot x \vee z = y$

11: $y \cdot x = x \cdot z$ by

3: $y \cdot x = x \cdot y$

8: $y \cdot x = x \cdot z \vee \neg y \cdot x = x \cdot y$

12: $z \cdot x = y \cdot x \vee \neg y \cdot x = x \cdot z$ by

4: $z \cdot x = x \cdot z$

7: $\neg z \cdot x = x \cdot z \vee z \cdot x = y \cdot x \vee \neg y \cdot x = x \cdot z$

13: $\neg y \cdot x = x \cdot z$ by

10: $\neg z \cdot x = y \cdot x$

12: $z \cdot x = y \cdot x \vee \neg y \cdot x = x \cdot z$

14: *QEA* by

11: $y \cdot x = x \cdot z$

13: $\neg y \cdot x = x \cdot z$