

Proof of Theorem 19i

The theorem to be proved is

$$x - x = 0 \rightarrow Sx - Sx = 0$$

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

$$(H) \quad [(x - x) = (0)] \quad \& \quad [\neg ((Sx) - (Sx)) = (0)]$$

Special cases of the hypothesis and previous results:

- 0: $x - x = 0$ from H: x
- 1: $\neg (Sx) - (Sx) = 0$ from H: x
- 2: $(Sx) - (Sx) = x - x$ from [18](#); $x;x$

Equality substitutions:

$$3: \quad \neg x - x = 0 \quad \vee \quad \neg (Sx) - (Sx) = x - x \quad \vee \quad (Sx) - (Sx) = 0$$

Inferences:

- 4: $\neg (Sx) - (Sx) = x - x \quad \vee \quad (Sx) - (Sx) = 0$ by
 - 0: $x - x = 0$
 - 3: $\neg x - x = 0 \quad \vee \quad \neg (Sx) - (Sx) = x - x \quad \vee \quad (Sx) - (Sx) = 0$
- 5: $\neg (Sx) - (Sx) = x - x$ by
 - 1: $\neg (Sx) - (Sx) = 0$
 - 4: $\neg (Sx) - (Sx) = x - x \quad \vee \quad (Sx) - (Sx) = 0$
- 6: *QEA* by
 - 2: $(Sx) - (Sx) = x - x$
 - 5: $\neg (Sx) - (Sx) = x - x$