

Proof of Theorem 263b

The theorem to be proved is

$$x \leq 0 \rightarrow 2 \uparrow x \leq 2 \uparrow 0$$

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

$$(H) \quad [[(x) \leq (0)] \ \& \ [\neg (2 \uparrow x) \leq (2 \uparrow 0)]]$$

Special cases of the hypothesis and previous results:

- 0: $x \leq 0$ from H: x
- 1: $\neg 2 \uparrow x \leq 2 \uparrow 0$ from H: x
- 2: $\neg x \leq 0 \vee 0 = x$ from [57](#); x
- 3: $2 \uparrow 0 \leq 2 \uparrow 0$ from [60](#); $2 \uparrow 0$

Equality substitutions:

$$4: \quad \neg x = 0 \vee 2 \uparrow (x) \leq 2 \uparrow 0 \vee \neg 2 \uparrow (0) \leq 2 \uparrow 0$$

Inferences:

- 5: $0 = x$ by
 - 0: $x \leq 0$
 - 2: $\neg x \leq 0 \vee 0 = x$
- 6: $\neg 0 = x \vee \neg 2 \uparrow 0 \leq 2 \uparrow 0$ by
 - 1: $\neg 2 \uparrow x \leq 2 \uparrow 0$
 - 4: $\neg 0 = x \vee 2 \uparrow x \leq 2 \uparrow 0 \vee \neg 2 \uparrow 0 \leq 2 \uparrow 0$
- 7: $\neg 0 = x$ by
 - 3: $2 \uparrow 0 \leq 2 \uparrow 0$
 - 6: $\neg 0 = x \vee \neg 2 \uparrow 0 \leq 2 \uparrow 0$
- 8: *QEA* by
 - 5: $0 = x$
 - 7: $\neg 0 = x$