

Proof of Theorem 28b

The theorem to be proved is

$$x - 0 \neq 0 \rightarrow Sx - 0 \neq 0$$

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

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

Special cases of the hypothesis and previous results:

- 0: $(Sx) - 0 = 0$ from H: x
- 1: $(Sx) - 0 = Sx$ from [17](#); Sx
- 2: $\neg Sx = 0$ from [3](#); x

Equality substitutions:

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

Inferences:

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