

Re: An uncountable countable set

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No, it all rests on the notions of identity and equality. As Leibniz pointed out, when the properties of two objects are all exactly the same, then they are the same object. So, when we say two numbers are equal, that means all properties of the two are equal.

Ha! The fallacy of reversing implication right there! An example of just about the most basic fallacy.

When you say "a=b", you say "A a A b P(a)=P(b)". The two are equivalent statements, and therefore imply each other.

I explained to you a long time ago that in general, in first order logic we cannot state the identity of indiscernibles, even as a schema, let alone have it implied from something else in first order logic. However, as exception to the generalization just mentioned, in a language with only finitely many non-logical primitive symbols, we can state the identity of indiscernibles as a schema. And in very general terms not tied to any specific kind of system, we may say that the indiscernibility of identicals implies the identity of indiscernibles only in the sense that the identity of indiscernibles is a logical principle (or at least taken by many people to be a logical principle), thus a given.

But what was incorrect in your original statement was the word 'so' in the sense that you were RELYING on one principle to infer the other. In

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that sense, you committed the f