Discrete Mathematics (COSE211-03)

Consider a language L in which certain expressions are called *predicates* and certain expressions are called *sentences*, and we are given a rule that assigns to each predicate H and any expression X a sentence denoted H(X).

Suppose that certain sentences of the language L are proved. To each sentence X is assigned $\sim X$ called the negation of X, and a sentence X is called refutable if its negation $\sim X$ is provable.

A sentence X is called decidable if it is either provable or refutable; otherwise undecidable. Suppose now we are given the following three conditions.

- G_1 : Every predicate H has a sentence X that is provable if and only if H(X) is provable. (X is called a fixed point.)
- G_2 : To each predicate H is assigned a predicate H' such that for every expression X, H'(X) is provable if and only if H(X) is refutable.
- G_3 : There is a predicate whose name is P such that for every sentence X, P(X) is provable if and only if X is provable.

We assume that no sentence is both provable and refutable. Show that if the three conditions G_1 , G_2 , and G_3 are satisfied, P(X) is undecidable, where X is a fixed point of the predicate P'. (Note that P is the predicate mentioned in G_3 and P' is the one that is assigned as is mentioned in G_2 .)