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Let *c* be any class of *formulae*. We denote by Flg (*c*) (set of consequences of *c*) the smallest set of *formulae* which contains all the *formulae* of *c* and all axioms, and which is closed with respect to the relation "*immediate consequence of*". *c* is termed  $\omega$ -consistent, if there is no *class-sign* a such that:

(n)  $[Sb\left(a \frac{v}{Z(n)}\right) \in Flg(c)] \& [Neg(v \text{ Gen } a)] \in Flg(c)]$ 

where *v* is the free variable of the *class-sign a*.

Every  $\omega$ -consistent system is naturally also consistent. The converse, however, is not the case, as will be shown later.

The general result as to the existence of undecidable propositions reads:

**Proposition VI**: To every  $\omega$ -consistent recursive class *c* of *formulae* there correspond recursive class-signs *r*, such that neither *v* Gen *r* nor Neg (*v* Gen *r*) belongs to Flg (*c*) (where *v* is the free variable of *r*).

Proof: Let c be any given recursive  $\omega$ -consistent class of *formulae*. We define:

$$Bw_{c}(x) \equiv (n) [n \leq l(x) \rightarrow A x (n Gl x) \lor (n Gl x) \varepsilon c \lor (Ep, q) \{0 < p, q < n \& Fl (n Gl x, p Gl x, q Gl x)\}]$$
  
 &  $l(x) > 0$  (5)

(cf. the analogous concept 44)

$$x B_c y \equiv B w_c (x) \& [l(x)] G l x = y$$
(6)

$$Bew_c(x) \equiv (Ey) \ y \ B_c x \tag{6.1}$$

(cf. the analogous concepts 45, 46)

The following clearly hold:

$$(x) [\operatorname{Bew}_{c}(x) \sim x \operatorname{\varepsilon} \operatorname{Flg}(c)]$$
(7)

$$(x) [Bew (x) \to Bew_c(x)]$$
(8)