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Create a knowledge base using propositional logic

Step 1: Knowledge Base (3 statements)

| Symbol | Meaning |
|--------|------------------------|
| B | Burglary happens |
| A | Alarm rings |
| C | Neighbour calls police |

Knowledge Base (KB)

- 1) $B \rightarrow A$ (If a burglary happens, the alarm rings)
- 2) $A \rightarrow C$ (If the alarm rings, the neighbour calls the police)
- 3) B (A burglary happened)

Step 2: Query

Query: C

(Is it true that the neighbour calls the police?)

We are testing whether

$\text{KB} \models C$

Step 3: Truth Table

| B | A | C | $B \rightarrow A$ | $A \rightarrow C$ | Is KB True? | Query C |
|---|---|---|-------------------|-------------------|---|---------|
| F | F | F | T | T | F (because $B=F$ $\rightarrow FB_3$ false) | F |
| F | F | T | T | T | F | T |
| F | T | F | T | F | F | F |
| F | T | T | T | T | F | T |
| T | F | F | F | T | F | F |
| T | F | T | F | T | F | T |
| T | T | F | T | F | F | F |
| T | T | T | T | T | T | T |

Step 4:

- To test whether the query is entailed by KB
- we look at all the rows of the truth table
 - we find the rows where every sentence in the KB is true (the KB holds)
 - Then we check the query in those rows.
 - If the query is true in all those rows, it is entailed by the KB
 - If there is even one row where the KB is true but the query is false, then it is not entailed.

Step 5: Conclusion

Since in every situation where the KB is true, the query C is also true,

$$\cancel{KB} \neq C$$

Hence, the query C is entailed by the knowledge base.