CSCE 330 Fall 2013

Quiz 3

Assigned Tuesday, 13-09-24

Recall the (informal) definition of logical entailment:

A collection of sentences $S_1, S_2, ..., S_n$ logically entails another sentence S if the truth of S is implicit in the truth of the S_i sentences. Therefore, the meaning of the terms in the S_i sentences do not matter in determining whether S is logically entailed by $S_1, S_2, ..., S_n$.

Consider the following knowledge base (KB), written as a Prolog program.

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dog(X) :- poodle(X).
dog(X) :- collie(X).
poodle(X) :- poodle(X).
collie(fido).
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Recall that Prolog uses back-chaining in answering queries.

- 1. The KB above logically entails dog(fido). True or false? Answer: True.
- 2. The query dog(fido) will not succeed. True or false? Answer: True.
- 3. Back-chaining is complete on Prolog KBs. True or false? Answer: False.