Exercises for 4.5

1. Suppose there is a derivation from $\Gamma \vdash s$ to $\Gamma \vdash t$. Explain why it follows that $\vdash s \supset t$. (Hint: you can plug anything you want into Γ .)

Answer Key

We can plug s into Γ . The supposition gives us that we can prove $s \vdash t$. We can then use \supset I to get $\vdash s \supset t$.

2. Suppose $s \supset t$ is a tautology. Explain why in that case the truth of s guarantees the truth of t.

Answer Key

If the truth of s did not guarantee the truth of t, $s \supset t$ could be false and therefore would not be a tautology which contradicts the supposition.

3. Suppose we can show that if $\vdash s \supset t$, then $s \supset t$ is a tautology. Explain why this would show that if there is a derivation from $\Gamma \vdash s$ to $\Gamma \vdash t$, then the truth of s guarantees the truth of t.

Answer Key

From Q1 we know that if there is a derivation from $\Gamma \vdash s$ to $\Gamma \vdash t$, then $\vdash s \supset t$. Given our supposition for this question, this means that $s \supset t$ is a tautology. But then by Q2, it follows that the truth of s guarantees the truth of t.

4. Suppose we can show that if $s \supset t$ is a tautology, then $\vdash s \supset t$. Explain why this would show that if $s \supset t$ is a tautology, then there is a derivation from $\Gamma \vdash s$ to $\Gamma \vdash t$.

Answer Key

We can construct the following derivation:

- 1. Γ $\vdash s$ premise
- 2. $\vdash s \supset t$ theorem
- 3. $\Gamma \vdash t \ldots 1,2,\supset E$

By the supposition, if $s \supset t$ is a tautology, line 2 in the above derivation is

correct.
