

Q1 Consider the following grammar  $S \rightarrow aS / aSbS / \epsilon$  Show that derivation for string  $aab$  is ambiguous.

Ans 1 By leftmost derivation:

$$1) S \Rightarrow aSbS \quad (S \rightarrow aSbS)$$

$$\Rightarrow aaSbS \quad (S \rightarrow aS)$$

$$\Rightarrow aabS \quad (S \rightarrow \epsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow aab \quad (S \rightarrow \epsilon)$$

$$2) S \Rightarrow aS^{sm} \quad (S \rightarrow aS)$$

$$\Rightarrow aaSbS \quad (S \rightarrow aSbS)$$

$$\Rightarrow aabS \quad (S \rightarrow \epsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow aab \quad (S \rightarrow \epsilon)$$

$\therefore$  Since we can derive string "aab" in more than one way,  
 $\therefore$  The given grammar is ambiguous.

Q2 Simplify the given grammar:  $S \rightarrow aAa / bBb / BB$ ,  $A \rightarrow C$ ,  
 $B \rightarrow A / S / \epsilon$ ,  $C \rightarrow S / \epsilon$

Ans 2 Step 1: Elimination of Null Production

Productions (P)

$$S \rightarrow aAa$$

$$S \rightarrow bBb$$

$$S \rightarrow BB$$

$$A \rightarrow C$$

$$B \rightarrow A$$

$$B \rightarrow S$$

$$C \rightarrow S$$

$$C \rightarrow \epsilon$$

New Production (NP)

$$S \rightarrow aa$$

$$S \rightarrow bb$$

$$S \rightarrow B, S \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$C \rightarrow \epsilon$$

$$P + NP: S \rightarrow aAa / aa / BB / bBb / bb / B / \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow C / \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow A / \epsilon / S$$

$$C \rightarrow S / \epsilon$$

Delete all null productions, we get

$S \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB \mid B$

$A \rightarrow C$

$B \rightarrow A \mid S$

$C \rightarrow S$

Step 2: Elimination of unit productions

Production (P)

New Production (NP)

$S \rightarrow aAa$

$S \rightarrow bBb$

$S \rightarrow aa$

$S \rightarrow bb$

$S \rightarrow BB$

$S \rightarrow B$

$A \rightarrow C$

$B \rightarrow A$

$B \rightarrow S$

$C \rightarrow S$

$A \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bb \mid bBb$

$B \rightarrow aAa \mid bb \mid aa \mid bBb \mid BB \mid B$

$B \rightarrow aAa \mid bb \mid aa \mid bBb \mid BB \mid B$

$C \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB \mid B$

P+NP:  $S \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid BB \mid bBb \mid bb \mid B$

$A \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB \mid B \mid C$

$B \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB \mid B \mid A \mid S$

$C \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB \mid B \mid S$

Delete all unit productions, we get

$S \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid BB \mid bBb \mid bb$

$A \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB$

$B \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB$

$C \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB$

Step 3: Elimination of useless productions.

Since variable C is not reachable from state S, hence it is a useless production

$\therefore$  Simplified Grammar:

$S \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB$

$A \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB$

$B \rightarrow aAa \mid aa \mid bBb \mid bb \mid BB$

Q3 Generate and reduce the grammar for the following to CNF:  
 $L = \{a^n b^m c^n \mid n \geq 1, m \geq 1\}$  over  $\Sigma = \{a, b, c\}$

Ans 3 Here, the logic is equal no. of a's followed by no. of b's dependent on m and equal no. of c's. Therefore, the grammar is:

$$\begin{array}{l} S \rightarrow aSc \mid aXc \\ X \rightarrow bX \mid b \end{array} \quad \therefore G = (V, T, P, S)$$

$$\therefore G = (\{S, X\}, \{a, b, c\}, \{S \rightarrow aSc \mid aXc, X \rightarrow bX \mid b\})$$

Convert to CNF:

Step 1: Simplification of grammar.

Null productions: As there are no null productions, the grammar stays as it is after removal of null productions, i.e.

$$S \rightarrow aSc \mid aXc, X \rightarrow bX \mid b$$

Unit productions: As there are no unit productions, the grammar stays as it is after removal of unit productions, i.e.

$$S \rightarrow aSc \mid aXc, X \rightarrow bX \mid b$$

Useless productions: All variables are reachable from start state S therefore no useless productions present.  $\therefore$  Grammar is:

$$S \rightarrow aSc \mid aXc, X \rightarrow bX \mid b$$

Step 2: Conversion to CNF

First, write all productions already in CNF

$$X \rightarrow b$$

$$S \rightarrow aSc, C_1 \rightarrow a \text{ and } C_2 \rightarrow c$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow C_1 S C_2$$

$$C_3 \rightarrow b C_2$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow C_1 C_3$$

$$S \rightarrow aXc$$

$$X \rightarrow bX$$

$$S \rightarrow C_1 X C_2$$

$$C_3 \rightarrow b$$

$$C_4 \rightarrow X C_2$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow C_1 C_4$$



$\therefore$ CNF is	$S \rightarrow C_1 C_3 \mid C_1 C_4$ $X \rightarrow C_5 X \mid b$ $C_1 \rightarrow a$ $C_2 \rightarrow c$ $C_3 \rightarrow S C_2$ $C_4 \rightarrow X C_2$ $C_5 \rightarrow b$
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Q4 Convert the following into GNF :  $S \rightarrow AA \mid 0$  ,  $A \rightarrow SS \mid 1$

Ans 4 Step 1 : Simplification of grammar

Null productions : No null productions present in grammar.  
 $\therefore$  After elimination of null productions,  $S \rightarrow AA \mid 0$   
 $A \rightarrow SS \mid 1$

Unit productions : No unit productions present in grammar.  
 $\therefore$  Grammar is :  $S \rightarrow AA \mid 0$   
 $A \rightarrow SS \mid 1$

Useless productions : All variables are reachable from start state S.

$\therefore$  Simplified grammar is :  $S \rightarrow AA \mid 0$   
 $A \rightarrow SS \mid 1$

Step 2 : Conversion to GNF

$A \rightarrow SS \mid 1$

By substitution we get

$A \rightarrow AAS \mid OS \mid 1$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$   
 $A \quad \alpha_1 \quad B_1 \quad B_2$

After replacement, By rule 2

$B \rightarrow \alpha_1 \mid \alpha_1 B$

i.e ,  $B \rightarrow AS \mid ASB$  — (I)

And  $A \rightarrow B_1 \mid B_1 B$

i.e  $A \rightarrow OS \mid OSB \mid 1B \mid 1$  — (II)

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After substitution in S

$$S \rightarrow AA10$$

$$\therefore S \rightarrow OSA | OSBA | 1A | 1BA | 0$$

Substitute A in B

$$B \rightarrow OSS | OSBS | 1BS | 1S | OSBB | OSBSB | 1BSB | 1S$$

$$B \rightarrow \cancel{OSS} | 0$$

$$A \rightarrow \underline{OS | OSB | 1 | 1B}$$

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