

## University of Dhaka Institute of Information Technology (IIT) Bachelor of Science in Software Engineering (BSSE)



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## Lab 11

1. Consider the following context-free grammar (CFG) for palindromes:

$$S \rightarrow aS \mid aSbS \mid \epsilon$$

Write a program to take a string as input and show that this grammar is ambiguous.

Hint: Show that the string aab has two leftmost derivations using the above CFG.

## **Example**

**Input**: aab

**Output**:

Leftmost 1:  $S \Rightarrow aS \Rightarrow aaSbS \Rightarrow aabS \Rightarrow aab$ 

Leftmost 2:  $S \Rightarrow aSbS \Rightarrow aaSbS \Rightarrow aabS \Rightarrow aab$ 

The grammar is ambiguous.