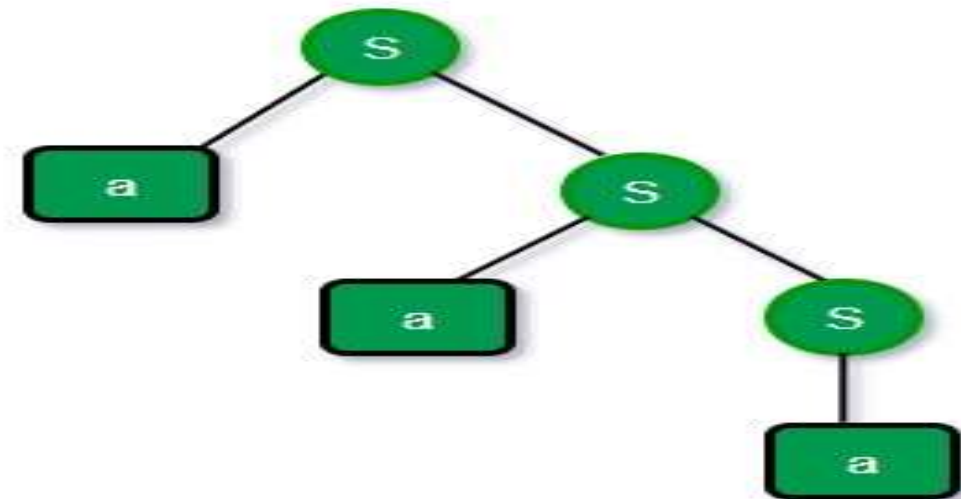
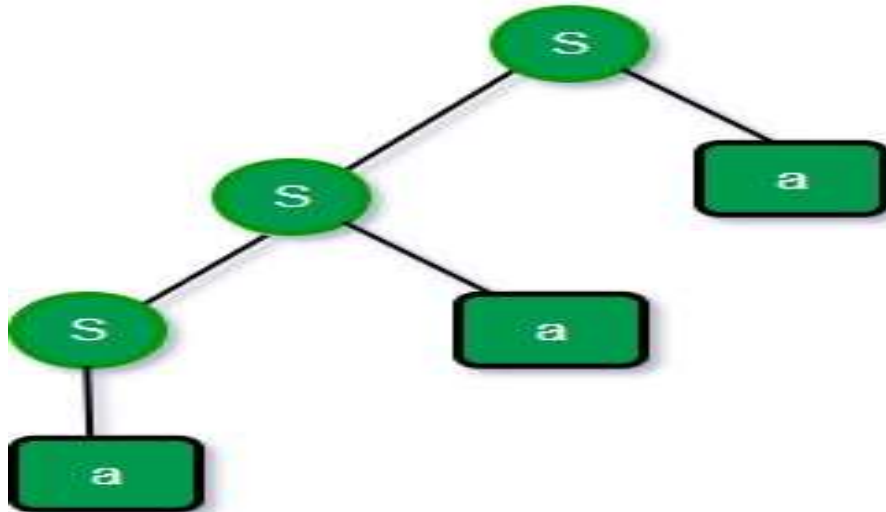
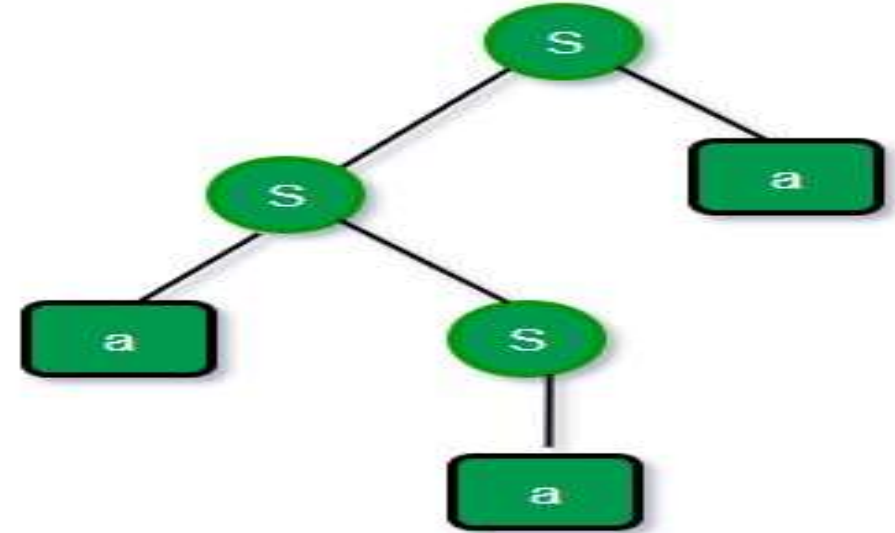
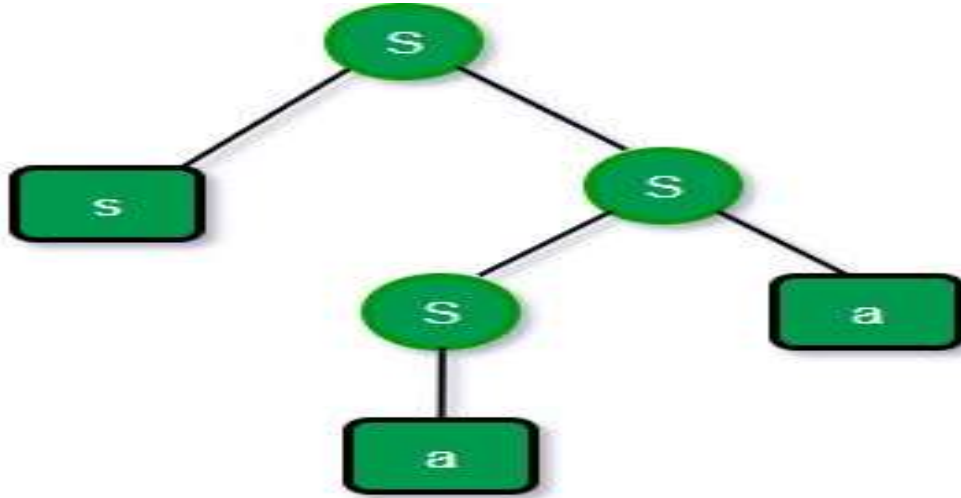


$S \rightarrow aS \mid Sa \mid a$

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1. $S \rightarrow aB / bA$

$S \rightarrow aS / bAA / a$

$B \rightarrow bS / aBB / b$

- Let us consider a string $w = aaabbabbba$
- Now, let us derive the string w using leftmost derivation.

$S \rightarrow aB$

$\rightarrow aaBB$ (Using $B \rightarrow aBB$)

$\rightarrow aaaBBB$ (Using $B \rightarrow aBB$)

$\rightarrow aaabBB$ (Using $B \rightarrow b$)

$\rightarrow aaabbB$ (Using $B \rightarrow b$)

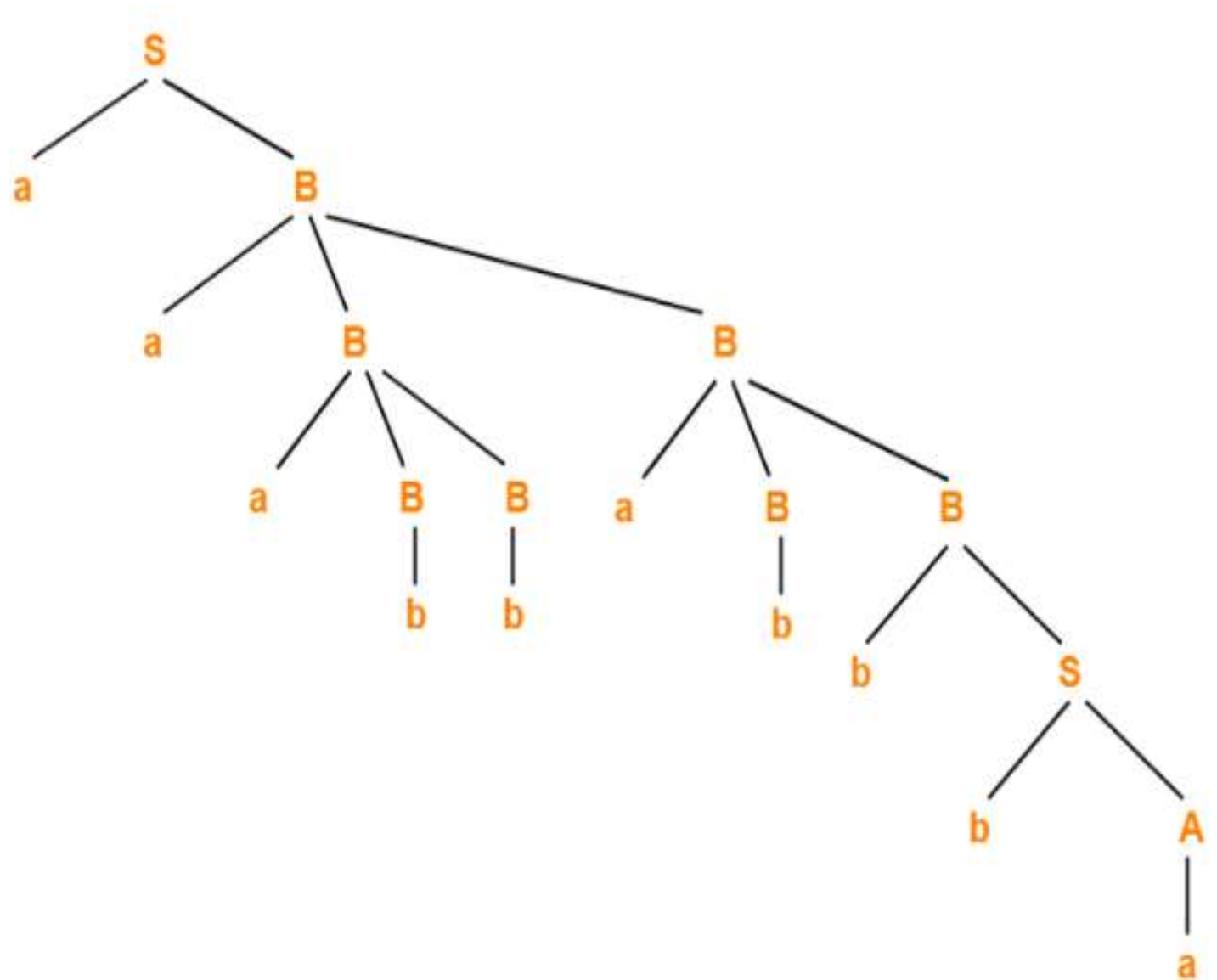
$\rightarrow aaabbaBB$ (Using $B \rightarrow aBB$)

$\rightarrow aaabbabB$ (Using $B \rightarrow b$)

$\rightarrow aaabbabbS$ (Using $B \rightarrow bS$)

$\rightarrow aaabbabbbA$ (Using $S \rightarrow bA$)

$\rightarrow aaabbabbba$ (Using $A \rightarrow a$)



Left Recursion Examples

$S \rightarrow Sab / Scd / Sef / g / h$

$$S \rightarrow \overset{\alpha_1}{Sab} / \overset{\alpha_2}{Scd} / \overset{\alpha_3}{Sef} / \overset{\beta_1}{g} / \overset{\beta_2}{h}$$

$$S \rightarrow gS' / hS'$$

$$S' \rightarrow \epsilon / abS' / cdS' / efS'$$

Left Recursion Examples

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha_1 | A\alpha_2 | \dots | A\alpha_m | \beta_1 | \beta_2 | \dots | \beta_n$$

$$A \rightarrow \beta_1 A' | \beta_2 A' | \dots | \beta_n A'$$

$$A' \rightarrow \alpha_1 A' | \alpha_2 A' | \dots | \alpha_m A' | \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha | \beta$$

**To the
following:**

$$A \rightarrow \beta A'$$

$$A' \rightarrow \alpha A' | \epsilon$$

Left Recursion Examples

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow A\alpha / \beta \\ A &\rightarrow \beta A' \\ A' &\rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

- $A \rightarrow ABd / Aa / a$
 - $B \rightarrow Be / b$

- $A \rightarrow aA'$
- $A' \rightarrow BdA' / aA' / \epsilon$
- $B \rightarrow bB'$
- $B' \rightarrow eB' / \epsilon$

Left Recursion Examples

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow A\alpha / \beta \\ A &\rightarrow \beta A' \\ A' &\rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

- $E \rightarrow E + E / E \times E / a$

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- $E \rightarrow aA$

- $A \rightarrow +EA / \times EA / \epsilon$

Left Recursion Examples

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow A\alpha / \beta \\ A &\rightarrow \beta A' \\ A' &\rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

- $E \rightarrow E + T / T$
- $T \rightarrow T \times F / F$
- $F \rightarrow \text{id}$

- $E \rightarrow TE'$
- $E' \rightarrow +TE' / \epsilon$
- $T \rightarrow FT'$
- $T' \rightarrow \times FT' / \epsilon$
- $F \rightarrow \text{id}$

Left Recursion Examples

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow A\alpha / \beta \\ A &\rightarrow \beta A' \\ A' &\rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$S \rightarrow (L) / a$$

$$L \rightarrow L, S / S$$

- $S \rightarrow (L) / a$
- $L \rightarrow SL'$
- $L' \rightarrow ,SL' / \epsilon$

Left Recursion Examples

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow A\alpha / \beta \\ A &\rightarrow \beta A' \\ A' &\rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

- $S \rightarrow S0S1S / 01$
- $S \rightarrow 01A$
- $A \rightarrow 0S1SA / \epsilon$

Left Recursion Examples

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha / \beta$$

$$A \rightarrow \beta A'$$

$$A' \rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon$$

- $S \rightarrow A$

$$A \rightarrow Ad / Ae / aB / ac$$

$$B \rightarrow bBc / f$$

$$S \rightarrow A$$

$$A \rightarrow aBA' / acA'$$

$$A' \rightarrow dA' / eA' / \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow bBc / f$$

Left Recursion Examples

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha / \beta$$

$$A \rightarrow \beta A'$$

$$A' \rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow A\alpha_1 | A\alpha_2 | \dots | A\alpha_m | \beta_1 | \beta_2 | \dots | \beta_n \\ &\rightarrow \beta_1 A' | \beta_2 A' | \dots | \beta_n A' \end{aligned}$$

$$A' \rightarrow \alpha_1 A' | \alpha_2 A' | \dots | \alpha_m A' | \epsilon$$

Left Recursion Examples

$$\begin{array}{l} A \rightarrow A\alpha / \beta \\ A \rightarrow \beta A' \\ A' \rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon \end{array}$$

- $A \rightarrow AA\alpha / \beta$
- $A \rightarrow \beta A'$
- $A' \rightarrow A\alpha A' / \epsilon$

Example

The production set

$$S \Rightarrow A\alpha \mid \beta$$

$$A \Rightarrow Sd$$

after applying the above algorithm, should become

$$S \Rightarrow A\alpha \mid \beta$$

$$A \Rightarrow A\alpha d \mid \beta d$$

and then, remove immediate left recursion using the first technique.

$$A \Rightarrow \beta d A'$$

$$A' \Rightarrow \alpha d A' \mid \varepsilon$$

Now none of the production has either direct or indirect left recursion.

Left Recursion Examples

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha / \beta$$

$$A \rightarrow \beta A'$$

$$A' \rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon$$

1. $A \rightarrow Ba / Aa / c$

$$B \rightarrow Bb / Ab / d$$

- **Step-01:**

First let us eliminate left recursion from $A \rightarrow Ba / Aa / c$

Eliminating left recursion from here, we get-

$$A \rightarrow BaA' / cA'$$

$$A' \rightarrow aA' / \epsilon$$

Now, given grammar becomes-

$$A \rightarrow BaA' / cA'$$

$$A' \rightarrow aA' / \epsilon$$

$$B \rightarrow Bb / Ab / d$$

1. $A \rightarrow Ba / Aa / c$

$$B \rightarrow Bb / Ab / d$$

- **Step-02:**

- Substituting the productions of A in $B \rightarrow Ab$, we get the following grammar-

- $A \rightarrow BaA' / cA'$

- $A' \rightarrow aA' / \epsilon$

- $B \rightarrow Bb / BaA'b / cA'b / d$

- **Step-03:**

Left Recursion Examples

Now, eliminating left recursion from the productions of B , we get the following grammar-

- $A \rightarrow BaA' / cA'$

- $A' \rightarrow aA' / \epsilon$

- $B \rightarrow cA'bB' / dB'$

- $B' \rightarrow bB' / aA'bB' / \epsilon$

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha_1 | A\alpha_2 | \dots | A\alpha_m | \beta_1 | \beta_2 | \dots | \beta_n$$

$$A \rightarrow \beta_1 A' | \beta_2 A' | \dots | \beta_n A'$$

$$A' \rightarrow \alpha_1 A' | \alpha_2 A' | \dots | \alpha_m A' | \epsilon$$

This is the final grammar after eliminating left recursion.

Left Recursion Examples

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow A\alpha / \beta \\ A &\rightarrow \beta A' \\ A' &\rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \quad X &\rightarrow XSb / Sa / b \\ S &\rightarrow Sb / Xa / a \end{aligned}$$

• Step-01:

-
- First let us eliminate left recursion from $X \rightarrow XSb / Sa / b$
-
- Eliminating left recursion from here, we get-
- $X \rightarrow SaX' / bX'$
- $X' \rightarrow SbX' / \epsilon$
-
- Now, given grammar becomes-
- $X \rightarrow SaX' / bX'$
- $X' \rightarrow SbX' / \epsilon$
- $S \rightarrow Sb / Xa / a$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \quad X &\rightarrow XSb / Sa / b \\ S &\rightarrow Sb / Xa / a \end{aligned}$$

• Step-02:

- Substituting the productions of X in $S \rightarrow Xa$, we get the following grammar-
- $X \rightarrow SaX' / bX'$
- $X' \rightarrow SbX' / \epsilon$
- $S \rightarrow Sb / SaX'a / bX'a / a$

• Step-03:

Left Recursion Examples

- Now, eliminating left recursion from the productions of S, we get the following grammar-
- $X \rightarrow SaX' / bX' \quad A \rightarrow A\alpha_1 | A\alpha_2 | \dots | A\alpha_m | \beta_1 | \beta_2 | \dots | \beta_n$
- $X' \rightarrow SbX' / \epsilon \quad \rightarrow \beta_1 A' | \beta_2 A' | \dots | \beta_n A'$
- $S \rightarrow bX'aS' / aS' \quad A' \rightarrow \alpha_1 A' | \alpha_2 A' | \dots | \alpha_m A' | \epsilon$
- $S' \rightarrow bS' / aX'aS' / \epsilon$
- This is the final grammar after eliminating left recursion.

Left Recursion Examples

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow A\alpha / \beta \\ A &\rightarrow \beta A' \\ A' &\rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$S \rightarrow Aa / b$$

$$A \rightarrow Ac / Sd / \epsilon$$

• Step-01:

- First let us eliminate left recursion from
- $S \rightarrow Aa / b$
- This is already free from left recursion.

Left Recursion Examples

$$S \rightarrow Aa / b$$

$$A \rightarrow Ac / Sd / \epsilon$$

$$A \rightarrow A\alpha_1 | A\alpha_2 | \dots | A\alpha_m | \beta_1 | \beta_2 | \dots | \beta_n$$

$$\rightarrow \beta_1 A' | \beta_2 A' | \dots | \beta_n A'$$

$$A' \rightarrow \alpha_1 A' | \alpha_2 A' | \dots | \alpha_m A' | \epsilon$$

• Step-02:

- Substituting the productions of S in $A \rightarrow Sd$, we get the following grammar-
- $S \rightarrow Aa / b$
- $A \rightarrow Ac / Aad / bd / \epsilon$

• Step-03:

- Now, eliminating left recursion from the productions of A, we get the following grammar-
- $S \rightarrow Aa / b$
- $A \rightarrow bdA' / A'$
- $A' \rightarrow cA' / adA' / \epsilon$

Left Recursion Examples

$$\begin{aligned} A &\rightarrow A\alpha / \beta \\ A &\rightarrow \beta A' \\ A' &\rightarrow \alpha A' / \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

- $A \rightarrow aAB / aBc / aAc$

- $A \rightarrow aA'$
- $A' \rightarrow AB / Bc / Ac$

- $A \rightarrow aA'$
- $A' \rightarrow AD / Bc$
- $D \rightarrow B / c$

- $S \rightarrow bSSaaS / bSSaSb / bSb / a$

- $S \rightarrow bSS' / a$
- $S' \rightarrow SaaS / SaSb / b$
- $S \rightarrow bSS' / a$
- $S' \rightarrow SaA / b$
- $A \rightarrow aS / Sb$

•Left Factoring Examples.

$A \rightarrow \alpha\beta_1 \mid \alpha\beta_2$

$A \rightarrow \alpha A'$

$A' \rightarrow \beta_1 \mid \beta_2$

•Left Factoring

$A \rightarrow \alpha\beta_1 \mid \alpha\beta_2$

$A \rightarrow \alpha A'$

$A' \rightarrow \beta_1 \mid \beta_2$

• $S \rightarrow iEtS \mid iEtSeS \mid a$

• $E \rightarrow b$

• $S \rightarrow iEtS \mid iEtSeS \mid a$

• $E \rightarrow b$

• $S \rightarrow iEtSS' \mid a$

• $S' \rightarrow eS \mid \epsilon$

• $E \rightarrow b$

- Left Factoring

$A \rightarrow \alpha\beta_1 \mid \alpha\beta_2$

$A \rightarrow \alpha A'$

$A' \rightarrow \beta_1 \mid \beta_2$

- $S \rightarrow aSSbS \mid aSaSb \mid abb \mid b$
 - $S \rightarrow aS' \mid b$
 - $S' \rightarrow SSbS \mid SaSb \mid bb$
 - $S \rightarrow aS' \mid b$
 - $S' \rightarrow SA \mid bb$
 - $A \rightarrow SbS \mid aSb$

•Left Factoring

$A \rightarrow \alpha\beta_1 \mid \alpha\beta_2$

$A \rightarrow \alpha A'$

$A' \rightarrow \beta_1 \mid \beta_2$

$S \rightarrow a \mid ab \mid abc \mid abcd$

- $S \rightarrow aS'$
- $S' \rightarrow b \mid bc \mid bcd \mid \epsilon$

- $S \rightarrow aS'$
- $S' \rightarrow bA \mid \epsilon$
- $A \rightarrow c \mid cd \mid \epsilon$

- $S \rightarrow aS'$
- $S' \rightarrow bA \mid \epsilon$
- $A \rightarrow cB \mid \epsilon$
- $B \rightarrow d \mid \epsilon$

- Left Factoring

$A \rightarrow \alpha\beta_1 \mid \alpha\beta_2$

$A \rightarrow \alpha A'$

$A' \rightarrow \beta_1 \mid \beta_2$

$S \rightarrow aAd \mid aB$

$A \rightarrow a \mid ab$

$B \rightarrow ccd \mid ddc$

- $S \rightarrow aS'$

- $S' \rightarrow Ad \mid B$

- $A \rightarrow aA'$

- $A' \rightarrow b \mid \epsilon$

- $B \rightarrow ccd \mid ddc$

- Left Factoring

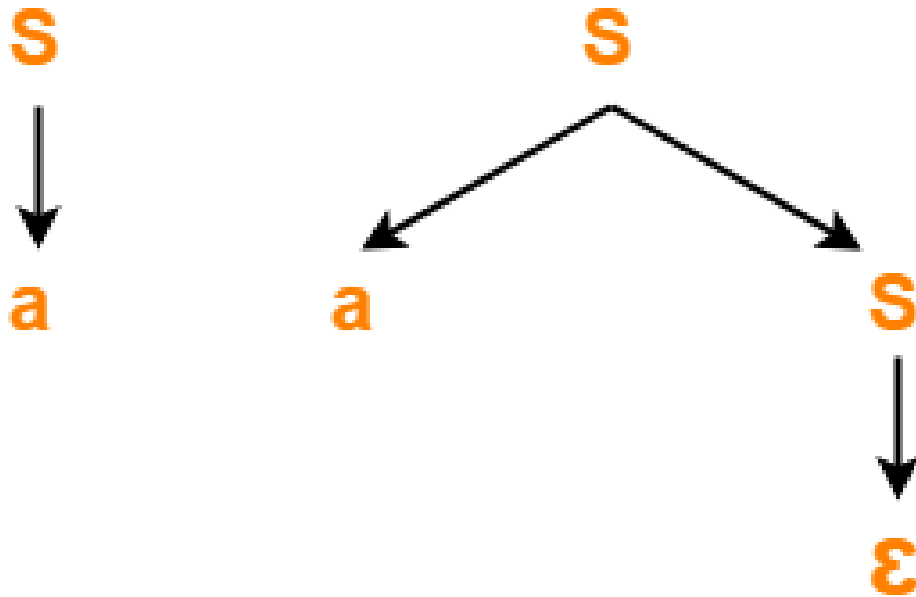
$A \rightarrow \alpha\beta_1 \mid \alpha\beta_2$

$A \rightarrow \alpha A'$

$A' \rightarrow \beta_1 \mid \beta_2$

Relationship Between Left Recursion, Left Factoring & Ambiguity-Example-

01: Ambiguous Grammar With Left Factoring-



Ambiguous Grammar with Left Factoring

Consider the following grammar-

$S \rightarrow aS / a / \epsilon$

Clearly, this grammar has left factoring.

Now, let us draw parse trees for the string

$w = a$

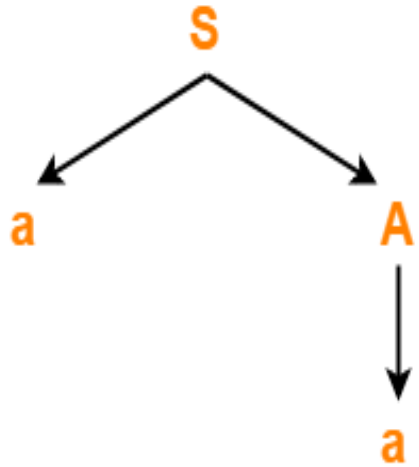
Clearly,

- Two different parse trees exist for the string

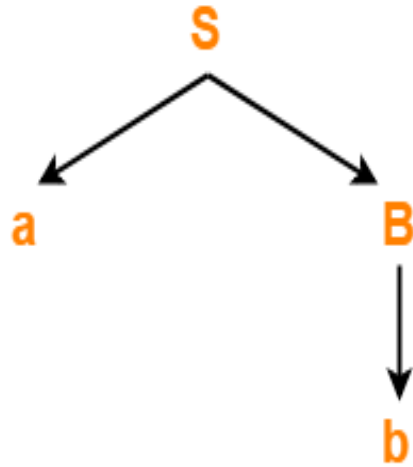
- $w = a$.

- Therefore, the grammar is ambiguous.

Relationship Between Left Recursion, Left Factoring & Ambiguity-Unambiguous Grammar With Left Factoring



String = aa



String = ab

Unambiguous Grammar with Left Factoring

Consider the following grammar-

$S \rightarrow aA / aB$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow b$

Clearly, this grammar has left factoring.

The language generated by this grammar consists of only two strings

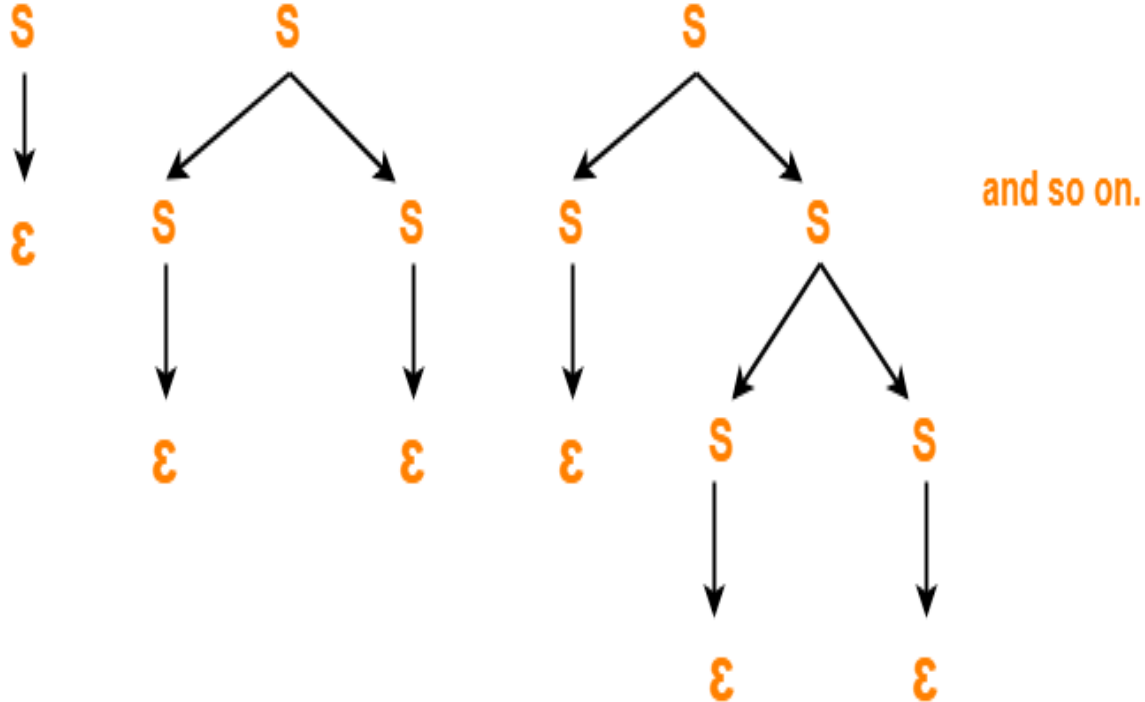
$L(G) = \{ aa, ab \}$.

Now, let us draw parse trees for these strings-

Clearly,

- A unique parse tree exists for both the strings.
- Therefore, the grammar is unambiguous.

Relationship Between Left Recursion, Left Factoring & Ambiguity-Ambiguous Grammar With Left Recursion-



Ambiguous Grammar with Left Recursion

Consider the following grammar-

$S \rightarrow SS / \epsilon$

Clearly, this grammar has left recursion.

Now, let us draw parse trees for the string

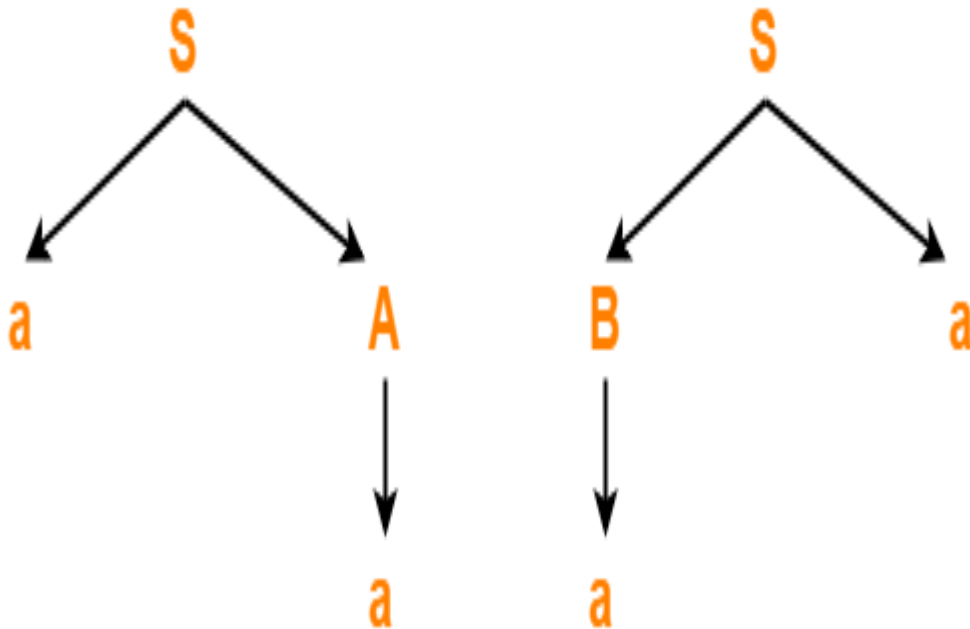
$w = \epsilon$

Clearly,

- Infinite parse trees exist for the string
- $w = \epsilon$.
- Therefore, the grammar is ambiguous.

- Consider the following grammar-
 - $S \rightarrow Sa / \epsilon$
- Clearly, this grammar has left recursion.
- A unique parse tree exists for all the strings that can be generated from the grammar.
- Therefore, the grammar is unambiguous.

Example-05: Ambiguous Grammar Without Left Recursion & Without Left Factoring-



Consider the following grammar-

$S \rightarrow aA / Ba$

$A \rightarrow a$

$B \rightarrow a$

Clearly, this grammar has neither left recursion nor left factoring.

Now, let us draw parse trees for the string

$w = aa$

Clearly,

- Two different parse trees exist for the string $w = aa$.
- Therefore, the grammar is ambiguous.

Ambiguous Grammar Without Left Recursion & Without Left Factoring

Example-
06: Unambiguous
Grammar With
Both Left
Recursion & Left
Factoring-

Consider the following grammar-

$S \rightarrow Sa / \varepsilon / bB / bD$

$B \rightarrow b$

$D \rightarrow d$

Clearly, this grammar has both left recursion and left factoring.

A unique parse tree exists for all the strings that can be generated from the grammar.

Therefore, the grammar is unambiguous.

To gain better understanding about relationship between left recursion, left factoring and ambiguity-

