# Lab 3

## Answer 1

Given grammer:

```
A \rightarrow aA \mid aB
B \rightarrow Ab \mid Bb \mid C
C \rightarrow c \mid Dc \mid Ac
D \rightarrow Bd \mid d \mid Dd
```

There exists simple left recursion (immediate) at:

```
1. B \rightarrow Bb - B directly calls itself at the first symbol in the production B \rightarrow Ab | Bb | C
```

```
2. D \rightarrow Dd - D also directly calls itself at D \rightarrow Bd | d | Dd
```

There also exists general left recursion (indirect) at:

```
1. B \rightarrow Ab | Bb | C - B directly calls C which (via. grammer C \rightarrow C | Dc | Ac) calls D at C -> Dc and finally calls B back again (via. D \rightarrow Bd | d | Dd). Resulting in an indirect recursion via calls: B -> C -> D -> B.
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2. C \rightarrow C | DC | AC - C directly calls D which calls B(via. grammer D \rightarrow Bd | d | Dd). B then directly calls C again (via. grammer D \rightarrow Bd | d | Dd).
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3. D \rightarrow Bd | d | Dd - D directly calls B which calls C (via. grammer B \rightarrow Ab | Bb | C) which then again calls C that calls D again. (via. grammer C \rightarrow C | DC | Ac).
```

## Answer 2

Given grammer:

```
A \rightarrow aA \mid aB
B \rightarrow Ab \mid Bb \mid C
C \rightarrow c \mid Dc \mid Ac
D \rightarrow Bd \mid d \mid Dd
```

#### Step 1:

Order the list of all non-terminals in as close to top-down order as possible. The current order already seems to align with this.

```
A \rightarrow aA \mid aB

B \rightarrow Ab \mid Bb \mid C
```

```
C \rightarrow C \mid DC \mid AC

D \rightarrow Bd \mid d \mid Dd
```

#### Step 2:

Process each non-terminal

 A → aA | aB remains unchanged since it already starts with a terminal and no earlier non-terminals exist. No substitution needed.

```
2. B → Ab | Bb | C
```

B - Ab starts with A (non-terminal) on the RHS which needs to be substituted

```
B → aAb | aBb | Bb | C has left recursion and follows the pattern S → Sα1 | ... | Sαn | β1 | ... | βn. Upon tranformation yeilds B → aAb B' | aBb B' | C B' & B' → b B' | ε
```

```
A \rightarrow aA \mid aB
B \rightarrow aAb \mid B' \mid aBb \mid C \mid B'
B' \rightarrow b \mid B' \mid \epsilon
C \rightarrow c \mid Dc \mid Ac
D \rightarrow Bd \mid d \mid Dd
```

3. C → c | Dc | Ac starts with a non-terminal at D and A which needs to be substituted with the right values for A

Yeilds  $C \rightarrow c$  | DC | aAc | aBc which only have one non-terminal variable start i.e. at D but that is in the next step.

```
A \rightarrow aA \mid aB
B \rightarrow aAb \mid B' \mid aBb \mid C \mid B'
B' \rightarrow b \mid B' \mid \epsilon
C \rightarrow c \mid Dc \mid aAc \mid aBc
D \rightarrow Bd \mid d \mid Dd
```

4. D → Bd | d | Dd starts with a non-terminal at Bd and Dd (itself) which needs to be removed.

```
D \rightarrow aAb \ B'd \ | \ aBb \ B'd \ | \ C \ B'd \ | \ d \ | \ Dd - Substibuting the value of B (non-terminal start) D \rightarrow aAb \ B'd \ | \ aBb \ B'd \ | \ AcB'd \ | \ d \ | \ Dd - Substibuting the value of C (non-terminal start) D \rightarrow aAb \ B'd \ | \ aBb \ B'd \ | \ cB'd \ | \ DcB'd \ | \ aAcB'd \ | \ aBcB'd \ | \ d \ | \ Dd - Substibuting the value of A (non-terminal start)
```

This new production grammer has no items that start with a non-terminal (other than D) and which yeild the result that looks of the pattern  $S \rightarrow S\alpha 1 | ... | S\alpha n | \beta 1 | ... | \beta n$ .

Productions starting with D:

```
D → DcB'd
D → Dd
```

• Productions not starting with D:

```
D \rightarrow aAb B'd
D \rightarrow aBb B'd
D \rightarrow cB'd
D \rightarrow aAcB'd
D \rightarrow aBcB'd
D \rightarrow d
```

• All  $\beta$  productions (not starting with D):

```
\beta_1 = aAb B'd

\beta_2 = aBb B'd

\beta_3 = cB'd

\beta_4 = aAcB'd

\beta_5 = aBcB'd

\beta_6 = d
```

• All α productions (starting with D)

```
\alpha_1 = cB'd
\alpha_2 = d
```

• Apply transformation:

```
D \rightarrow \beta_1 \ D' \ | \ \beta_2 \ D' \ | \ \beta_3 \ D' \ | \ \beta_4 \ D' \ | \ \beta_5 \ D' \ | \ \beta_6 \ D' D' \rightarrow \alpha_1 \ D' \ | \ \alpha_2 \ D' \ | \ \epsilon
```

• Substituting the values

```
D \rightarrow aAb B'd D' | aBb B'd D' | cB'd D' | aAcB'd D' | aBcB'd D' | d D' D' \rightarrow cB'd D' | d D' | \epsilon
```

### **Final Grammer:**

```
A \rightarrow aA \mid aB

B \rightarrow aAb B' \mid aBb B' \mid C B'
```

```
B' \rightarrow b \ B' \mid \epsilon C \rightarrow c \mid Dc \mid aAc \mid aBc D \rightarrow aAb \ B'd \ D' \mid aBb \ B'd \ D' \mid cB'd \ D' \mid aAcB'd \ D' \mid aBcB'd \ D' \mid d \ D' D' \rightarrow cB'd \ D' \mid d \ D' \mid \epsilon
```