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Exam 2

1 LL Grammars

- Common Prefix and Left Recursion.
- Eliminate Left Recursion:
 - Productions of the form $S \rightarrow \beta$ become $S \rightarrow \beta S'$
 - Productions of the form $S \rightarrow S\alpha$ become $S' \rightarrow \alpha S'$
 - Add $S \rightarrow \epsilon$
- Eliminate Mutual Recursion:
 - Take the first Symbol and eliminate left recursion
 - Take the second symbol and substitute left recursions of A, then eliminate left recursions of B
 - Take the third symbol and substitute left recursions of A and B, then eliminate left recursions of C
 - ...
- Got it.

2 Prolog

- Prolog operators can only return true or false, and operate via unification with backtracking.

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sum([], 0).  
sum([H|T], X) :- sum(T, Y), X is Y + H.
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append([], X, X)  
append([H|T], X, [H|Z]) :- append(T, X, Z)
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flatten([], []).
flatten([H|A],[H|A]) :- flatten(A,B).
flatten([L|A],Z) :- is_list(L), !, append(L,A,X), flatten(X,Z).

isprefix([],X)
isprefix([H|T],[H|Z]) :- isprefix(T,Z)
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- All queries in Prolog are attempted to be solved via unification.

3 Prolog Cut

- The cut operator stops backtracking.
- Got it.
- Got it.

4 Unification

- Got it.
- Haskell's type checker, prolog.

5 Grammars

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- An ambiguous grammar is a grammar which can parse an input into two or more trees.

6 Operational Semantics

- Got it.
- Given an expression with two different evaluation paths, both paths will evaluate to the same value.