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Compiler Construction
Lecture 7:
Syntax Analysis II

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LR Parsers

- + Can be constructed to recognize virtually all programming languages constructed from context-free grammars
- + Most general non-backtracking shift-reduce parsing method
- + Very fast at detecting syntactic errors
- Too much work to construct LR parsing by hand

Definitions: States & Items

- Item: production rule with information about current parsing state

$A \rightarrow XYZ$ yields the four items

$A \rightarrow \cdot XYZ$
$A \rightarrow X \cdot YZ$
$A \rightarrow XY \cdot Z$
$A \rightarrow XYZ \cdot$

- State = set of items

Definitions: Closure of Item

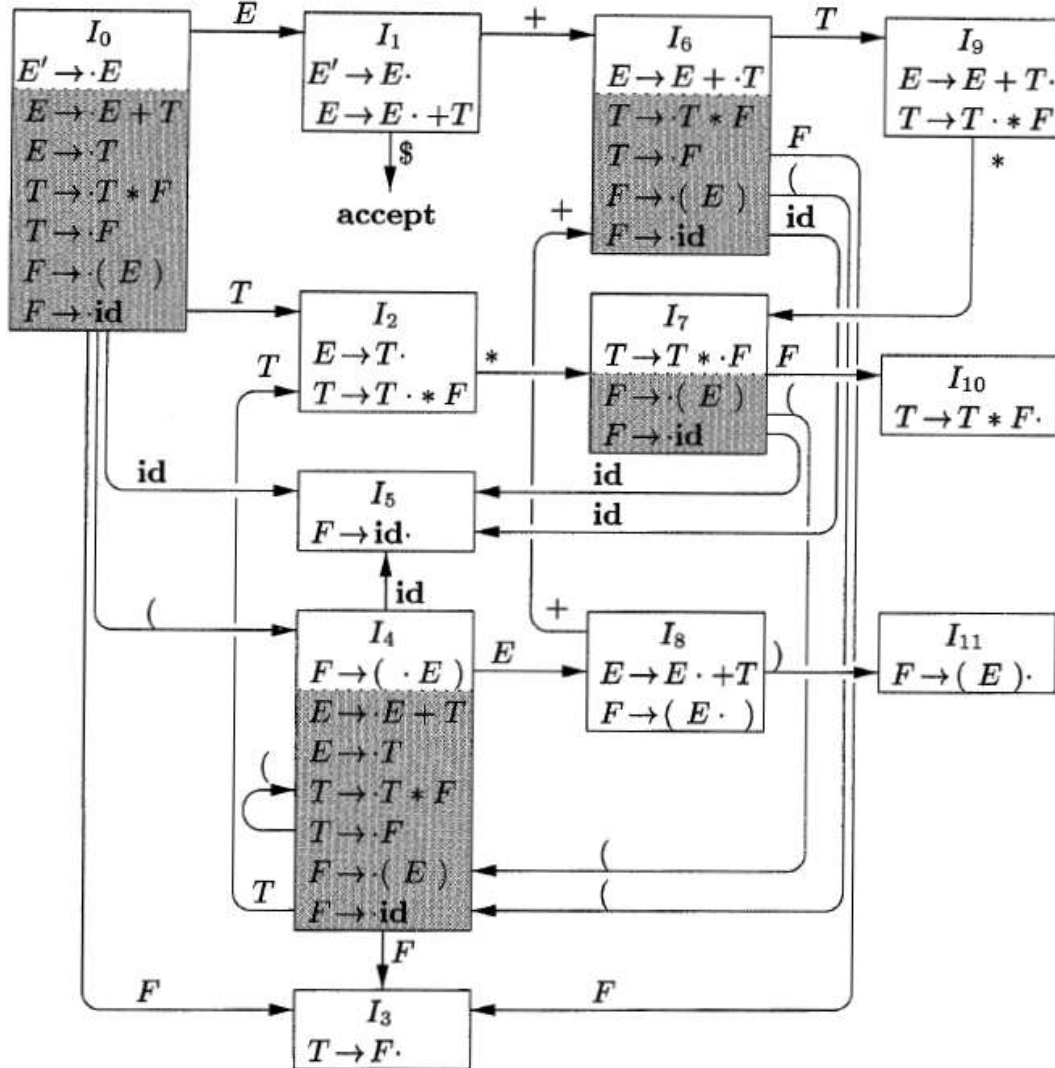
We have a set of items I :

1. Initially, add every item in I to $\text{CLOSURE}(I)$.
2. If $A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot B \beta$ is in $\text{CLOSURE}(I)$ and $B \rightarrow \gamma$ is a production, then add the item $B \rightarrow \cdot \gamma$ to $\text{CLOSURE}(I)$, if it is not already there. Apply this rule until no more new items can be added to $\text{CLOSURE}(I)$.

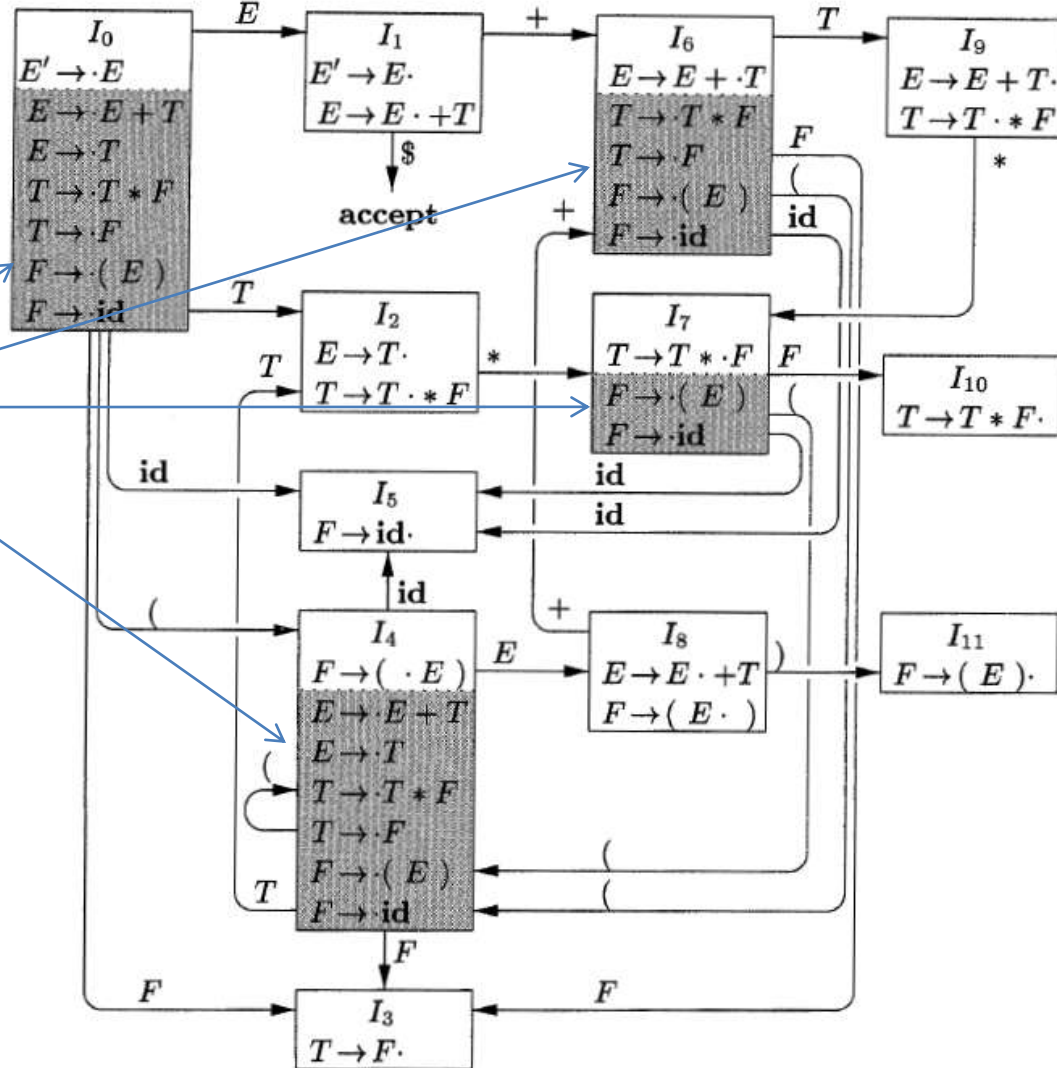
DFA: LR(0) Automaton

- Built from Collection of sets of LR(0) items
- Presents the different states during parsing
- Given grammar G , we have to augment it by an extra production $E' \rightarrow E$ where E is start symbol

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 E &\rightarrow E + T \mid T \\
 T &\rightarrow T * F \mid F \\
 F &\rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id}
 \end{aligned}$$

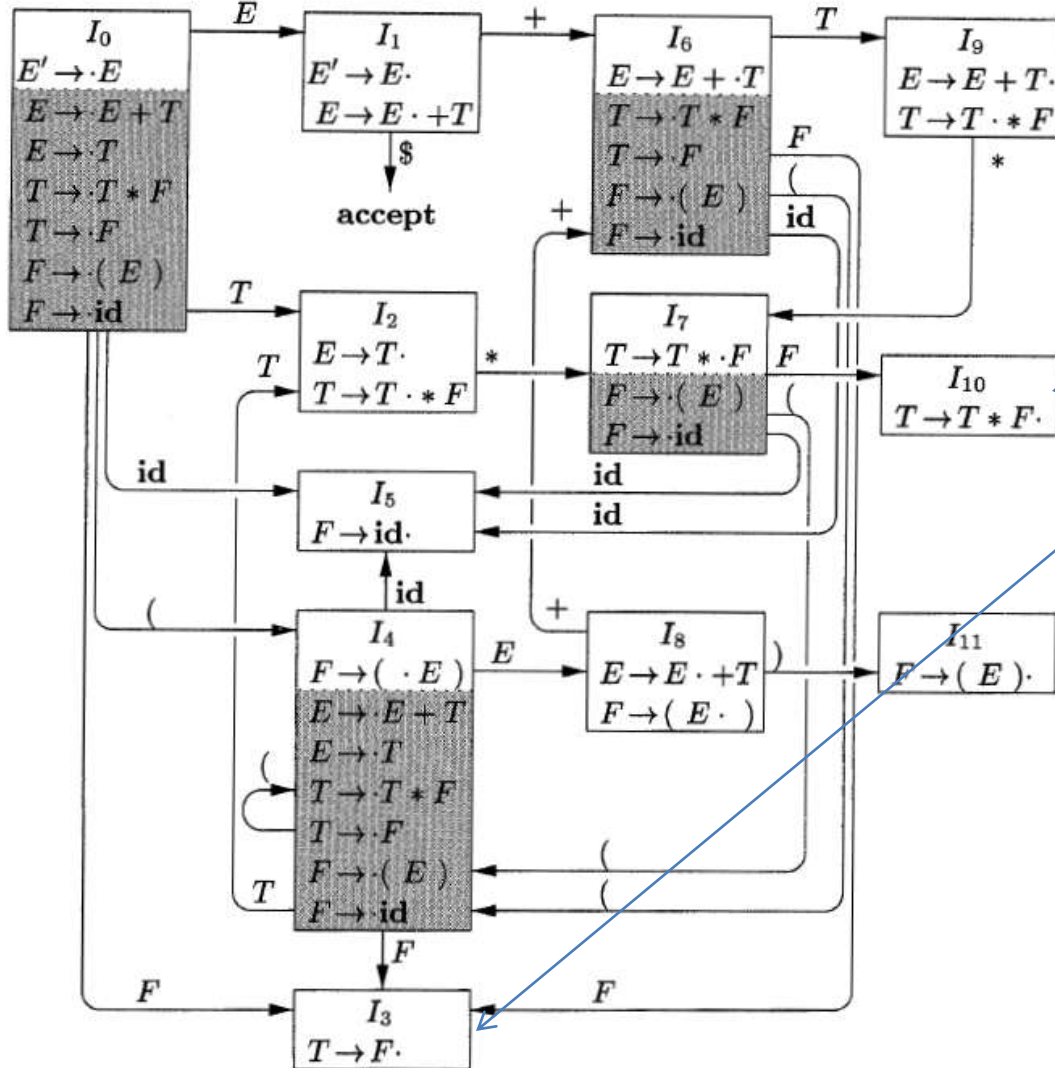

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- nonkernel items
- no need to be stored
- dot at far left

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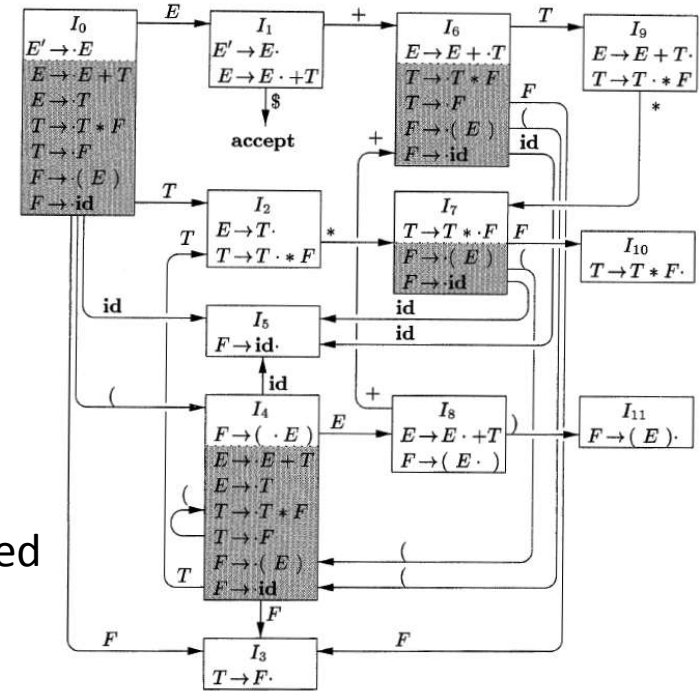

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Item with "." at the end means reduce

Shift-Reduce Revisited

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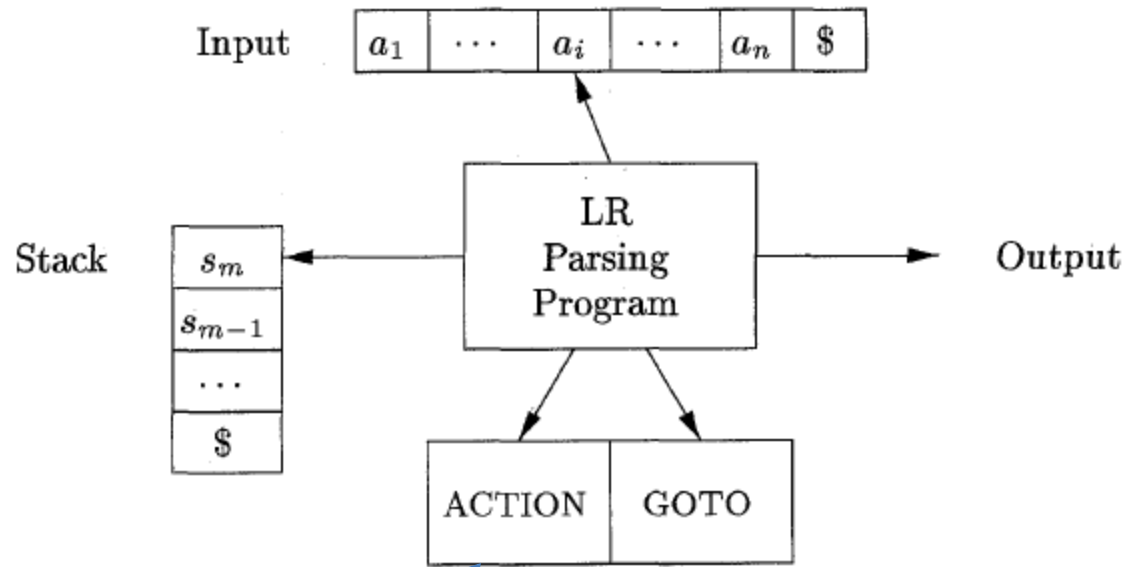
- When there is no transition we reduce.
- When we reduce:
 - pop state from top of stack
 - The new top of stack will tell you the next state based on the symbol.



Parse for $\text{id} * \text{id}$

LINE	STACK	SYMBOLS	INPUT	ACTION
(1)	0	$\$$	$\text{id} * \text{id} \$$	shift to 5
(2)	0 5	$\$ \text{id}$	$* \text{id} \$$	reduce by $F \rightarrow \text{id}$
(3)	0 3	$\$ F$	$* \text{id} \$$	reduce by $T \rightarrow F$
(4)	0 2	$\$ T$	$* \text{id} \$$	shift to 7
(5)	0 2 7	$\$ T *$	$\text{id} \$$	shift to 5
(6)	0 2 7 5	$\$ T * \text{id}$	$\$$	reduce by $F \rightarrow \text{id}$
(7)	0 2 7 10	$\$ T * F$	$\$$	reduce by $T \rightarrow T * F$
(8)	0 2	$\$ T$	$\$$	reduce by $E \rightarrow T$
(9)	0 1	$\$ E$	$\$$	accept

The Real Implementation



- Shift
- Reduce
- Accept
- Error

GOTO(I,X)

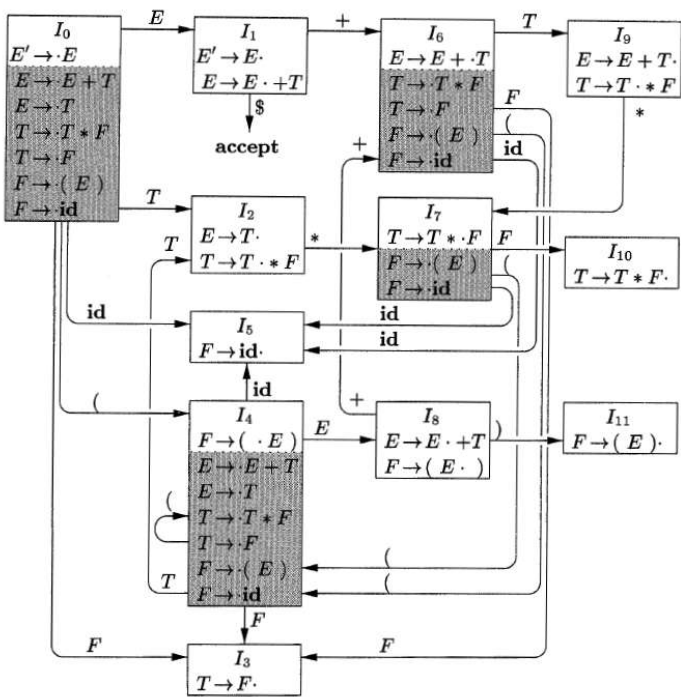
- I is a set of items
- X is a grammar symbol
- GOTO(I,X) is defined to be:
The closure of the set of all items

$[A \rightarrow \alpha X \cdot \beta]$ such that $[A \rightarrow \alpha \cdot X \beta]$ is in I

Example: If I is the set of two items $\{[E' \rightarrow E \cdot], [E \rightarrow E \cdot + T]\}$
GOTO(I, +) contains the items

$E' \rightarrow E$
 $E \rightarrow E + T \mid T$
 $T \rightarrow T * F \mid F$
 $E \rightarrow (E) \mid \text{id}$

$E \rightarrow E + \cdot T$
 $T \rightarrow \cdot T * F$
 $T \rightarrow \cdot F$
 $F \rightarrow \cdot (E)$
 $F \rightarrow \cdot \text{id}$

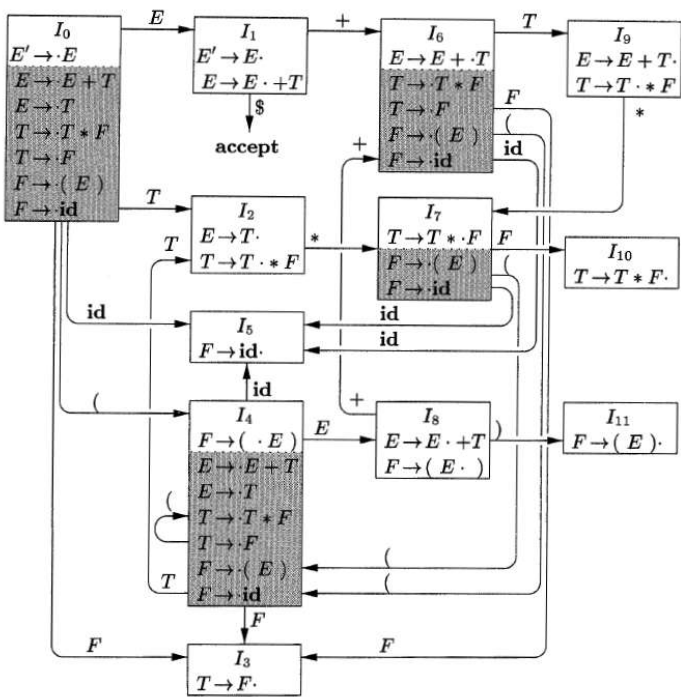


- (1) $E \rightarrow E + T$
- (2) $E \rightarrow T$
- (3) $T \rightarrow T * F$

- (4) $T \rightarrow F$
- (5) $F \rightarrow (E)$
- (6) $F \rightarrow id$

SLR Table

STATE	ACTION					GOTO		
	id	+	*	()	\$	E	T	F
0	s5			s4		1	2	3
1		s6			acc			
2		r2	s7		r2			
3		r4	r4		r4			
4	s5			s4		8	2	3
5		r6	r6		r6			
6	s5			s4			9	3
7	s5			s4				10
8		s6			s11			
9		r1	s7		r1			
10		r3	r3		r3			
11		r5	r5		r5			



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6	s5			s4			9	3
7	s5			s4				10
8		s6			s11			
9		r1	s7		r1			
10		r3	r3		r3			
11		r5	r5		r5			

Means shift and move to state 5

Means reduce using production number 1

A Tricky Problem

What is the LR(0) DFA of the following grammar?

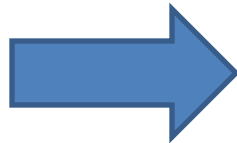
$S \rightarrow L = R$

$S \rightarrow R$

$L \rightarrow *R$

$L \rightarrow ID$

$R \rightarrow L$



$I_0: S' \rightarrow \cdot S$
 $S \rightarrow \cdot L = R$
 $S \rightarrow \cdot R$
 $L \rightarrow \cdot * R$
 $L \rightarrow \cdot id$
 $R \rightarrow \cdot L$

$I_1: S' \rightarrow S \cdot$

$I_2: S \rightarrow L \cdot = R$
 $R \rightarrow L \cdot$

$I_3: S \rightarrow R \cdot$

$I_4: L \rightarrow * \cdot R$
 $R \rightarrow \cdot L$
 $L \rightarrow \cdot * R$
 $L \rightarrow \cdot id$

$I_5: L \rightarrow id \cdot$

$I_6: S \rightarrow L = \cdot R$
 $R \rightarrow \cdot L$
 $L \rightarrow \cdot * R$
 $L \rightarrow \cdot id$

$I_7: L \rightarrow * R \cdot$

$I_8: R \rightarrow L \cdot$

$I_9: S \rightarrow L = R \cdot$

Suppose we are at state 2 and encounter '='

Shift to 6

Reduce by $R \rightarrow L$

Shift/Reduce conflict !!

Do you see any problems?

Is SLR-Parsing Powerful Enough?

- Every SLR grammar is unambiguous
- There are many unambiguous grammars that are not SLR
- What if in a state we can do both reduction and shift? Which one to choose?
- $[S \rightarrow C, d]$ means: use production $S \rightarrow C$ if next terminal is d
- Lookahead LR (LALR) method

LALR

- There are two very powerful parsers:
 - canonical-LR
 - LALR
- LALR is the one used in practice
 - considerably smaller tables than canonical-LR
 - Can express most programming languages constructs

LALR Steps

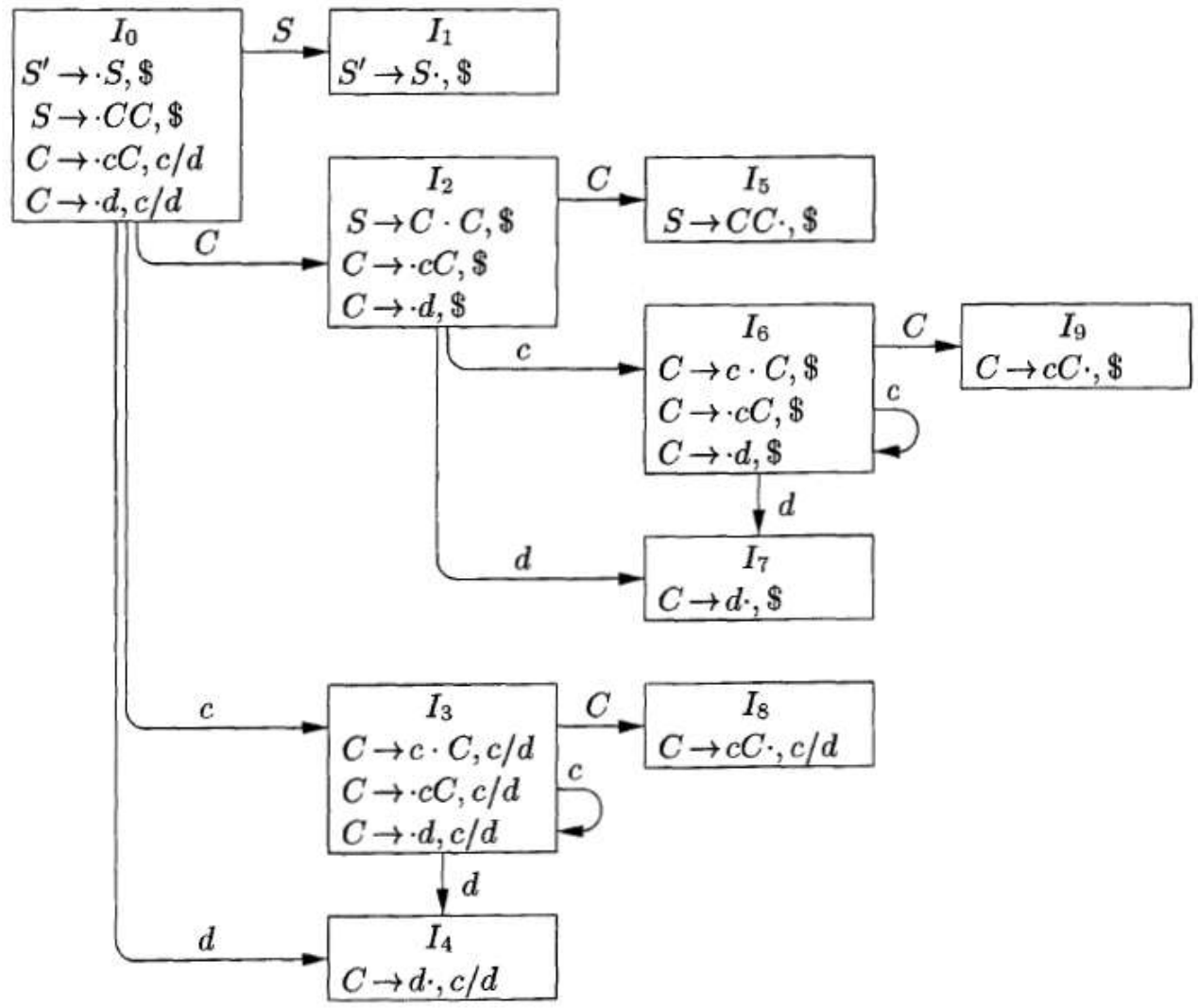
- Get grammar G' from G
- Build different states
- start I_0 with $\{\text{closure}[S' \rightarrow \cdot S, \$]\}$
- Then for each grammar symbol
 - Get new state
 - Get closure of the new state
- Reduce states by merging items with same cores
- Build ACTION and GOTO tables

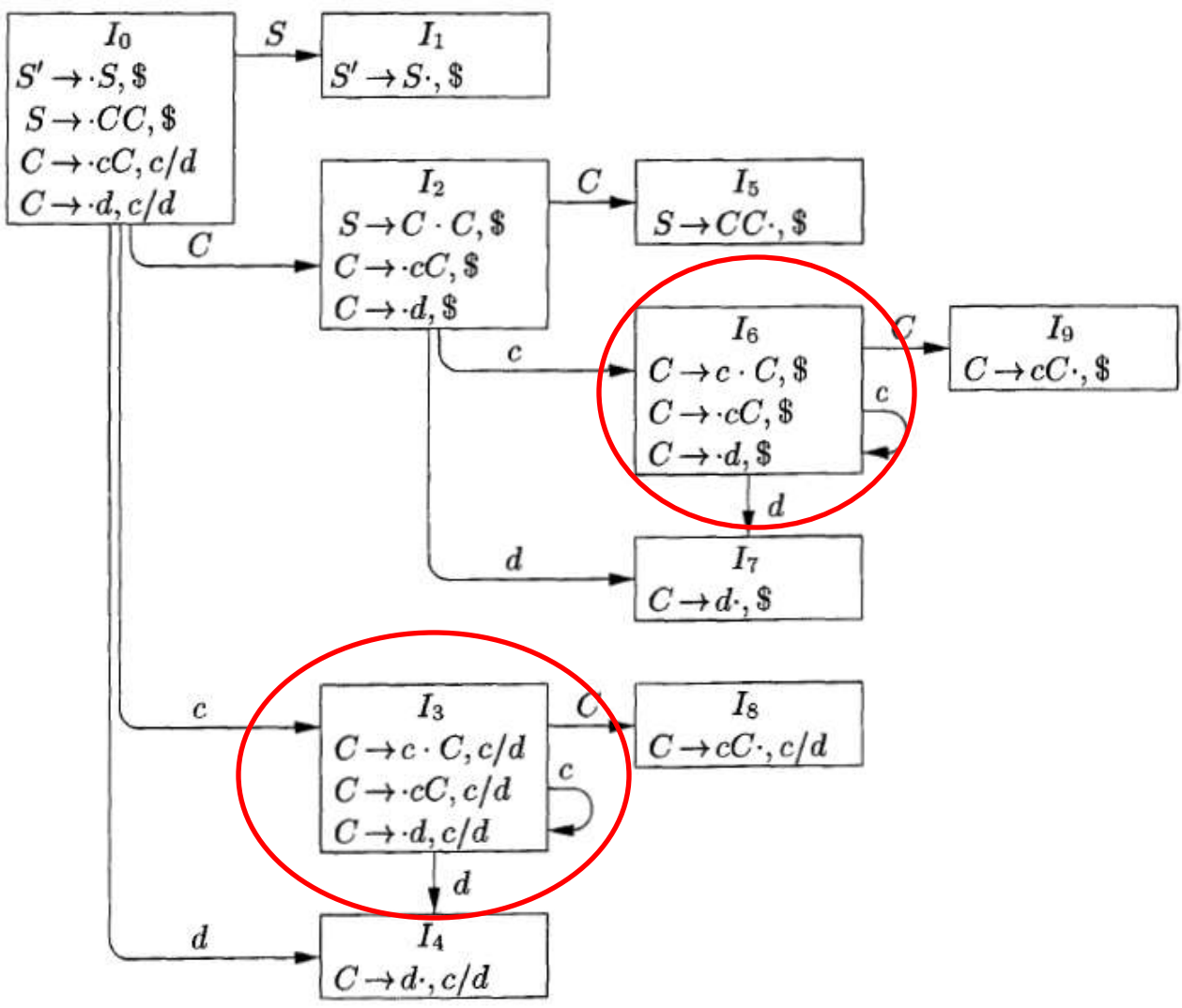
$S' \rightarrow S$
 $S \rightarrow CC$
 $C \rightarrow cC \mid d$

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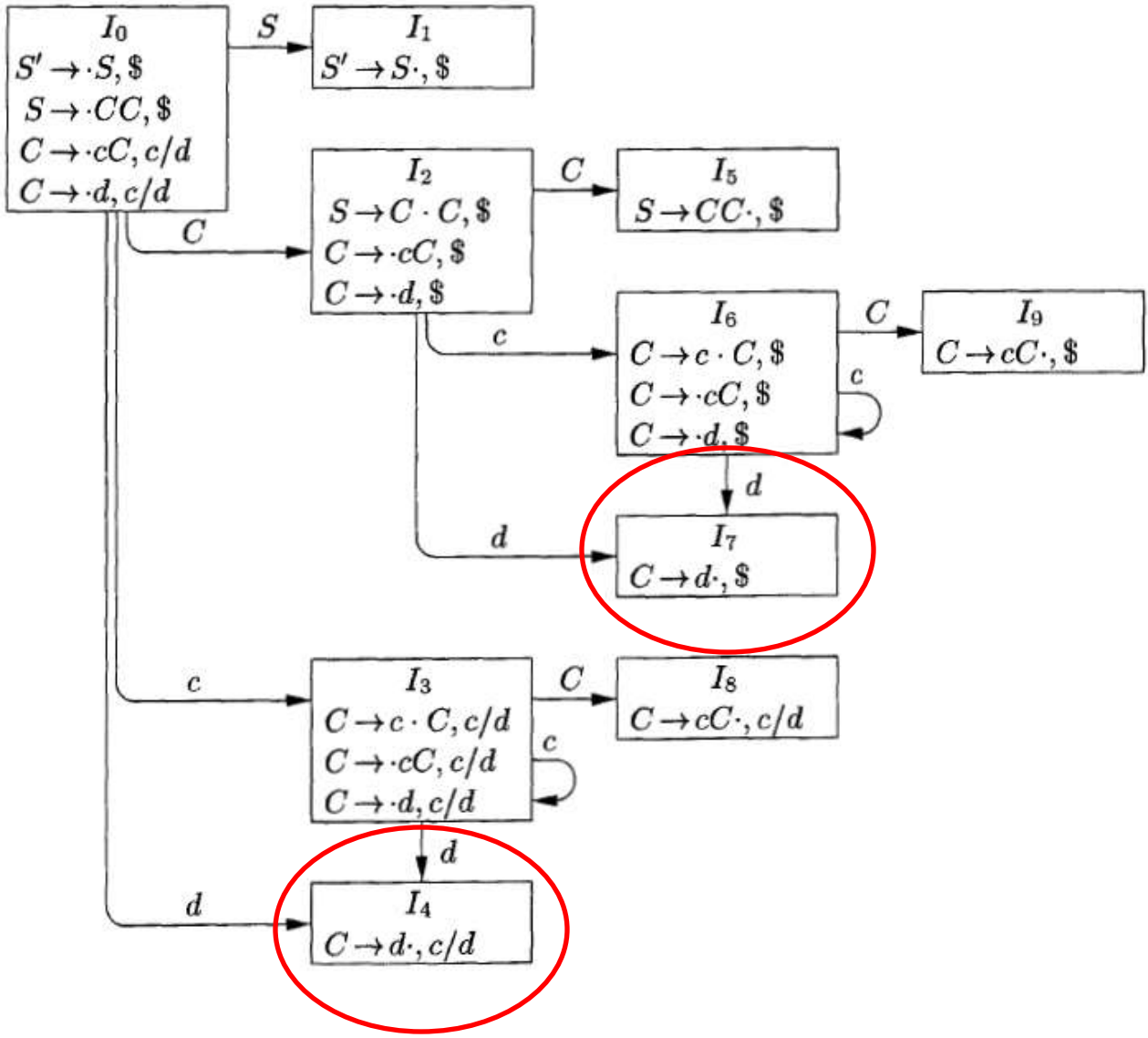
SetOfItems CLOSURE(I) {
  repeat
    for ( each item [A → α·Bβ, a] in I )
      for ( each production B → γ in G' )
        for ( each terminal b in FIRST(βa) )
          add [B → ·γ, b] to set I;
  until no more items are added to I;
  return I;
}

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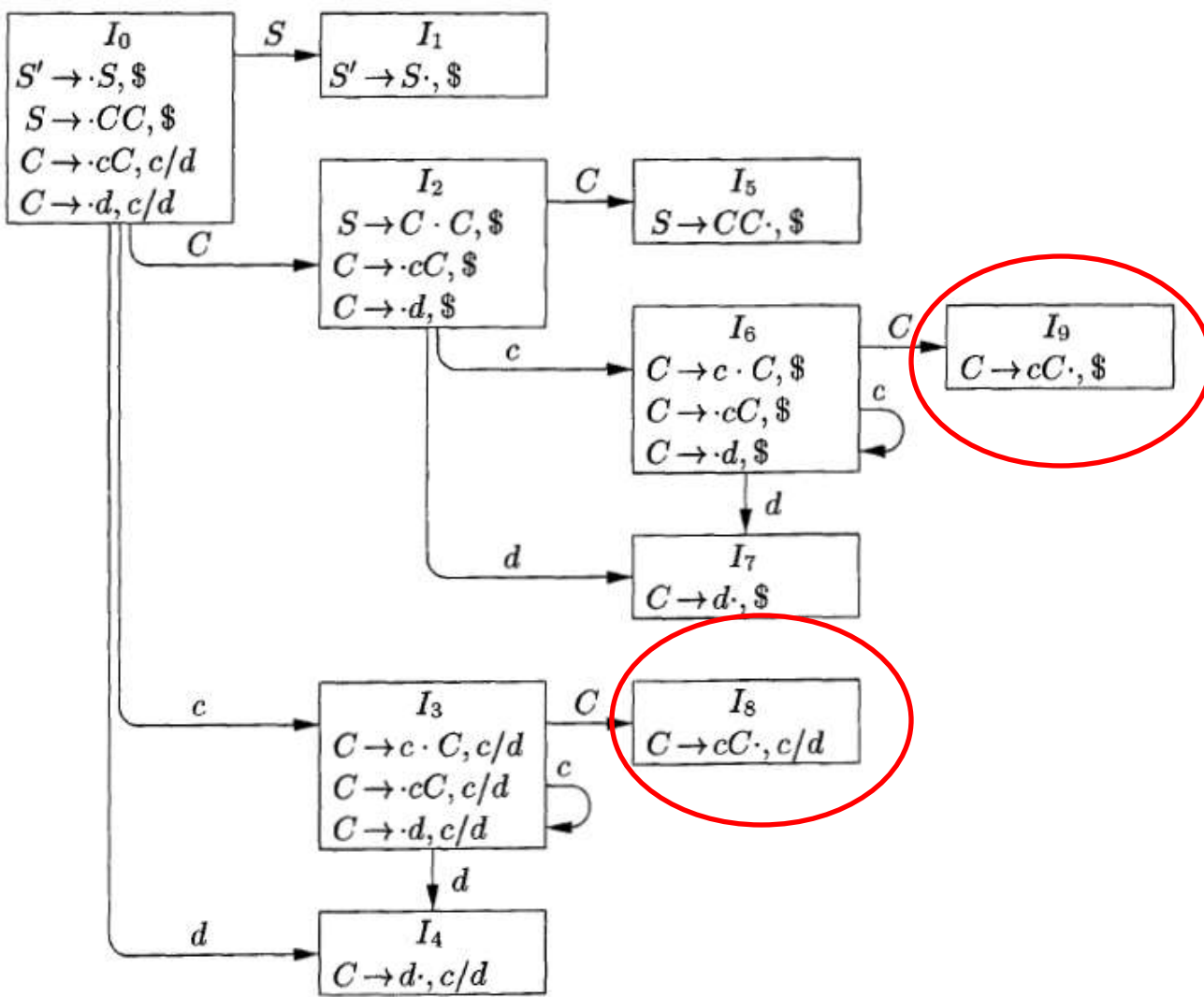




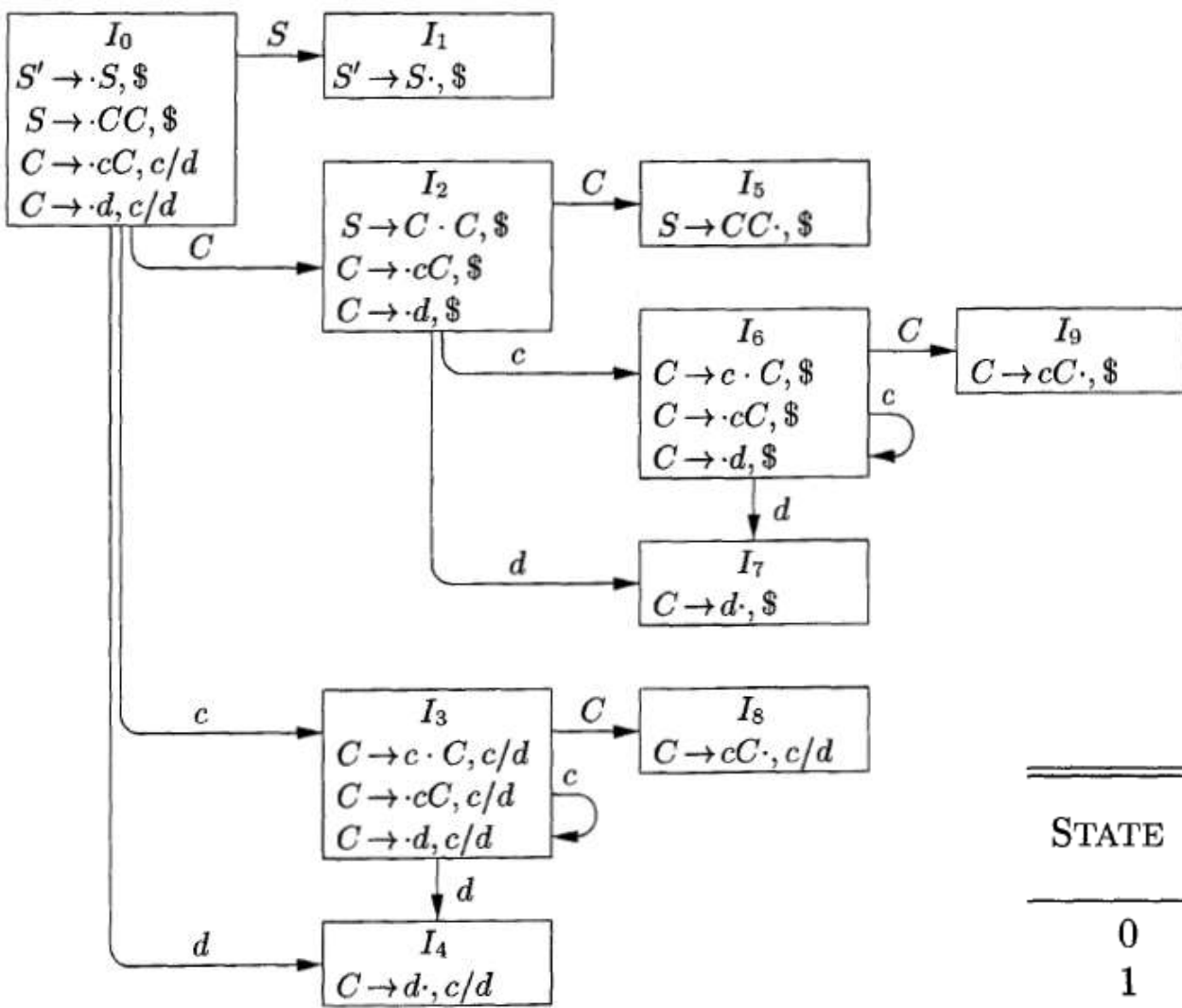
$I_{36}: C \rightarrow c \cdot C, c/d/\$$
 $C \rightarrow \cdot cC, c/d/\$$
 $C \rightarrow \cdot d, c/d/\$$



$I_{47}: C \rightarrow d \cdot, c/d/\$$



$I_{89}: C \rightarrow cC \cdot, c/d/\$$



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STATE	ACTION			GOTO	
	<i>c</i>	<i>d</i>	$\$$	<i>S</i>	<i>C</i>
0	s36	s47		1	2
1			acc		
2	s36	s47			5
36	s36	s47			89
47	r3	r3	r3		
5			r1		
89	r2	r2	r2		

Conclusion

- skim: 4.6.5, 4.7.5, 4.7.6, 4.8
- Read rest of: 4.6->4.8
- We will need 4.9 (except 4.9.2) for project part 2