```
Examples
Type
         foo n14 last
ID
NUM
         73 0 00 515
                          082
REAL
         66.1 .5 10. 1e67 5.5e-10
         if
\mathbf{IF}
COMMA
NOTEQ
LPAREN
RPAREN
```

comment
preprocessor directive
preprocessor directive
macro
blanks, tabs, and newlines

/* try again */
#include<stdio.h>
#define NUMS 5 , 6
NUMS

```
float match0(char *s) /* find a zero */
{if (!strncmp(s, "0.0", 3))
  return 0.;
}
```

FLOAT ID(match0) LPAREN CHAR STAR ID(s) RPAREN LBRACE IF LPAREN BANG ID(strncmp) LPAREN ID(s) COMMA STRING(0.0) COMMA NUM(3) RPAREN RPAREN RETURN REAL(0.0) SEMI RBRACE EOF

Regular expression notation.

a	An ordinary character stands for itself.	
ϵ	The empty string.	
	Another way to write the empty string.	
$M \mid N$	Alternation, choosing from M or N .	
$M \cdot N$	Concatenation, an M followed by an N .	
MN	Another way to write concatenation.	
<i>M</i> *	Repetition (zero or more times).	
M^+	Repetition, one or more times.	

Character set alternation.

Optional, zero or one occurrence of M.

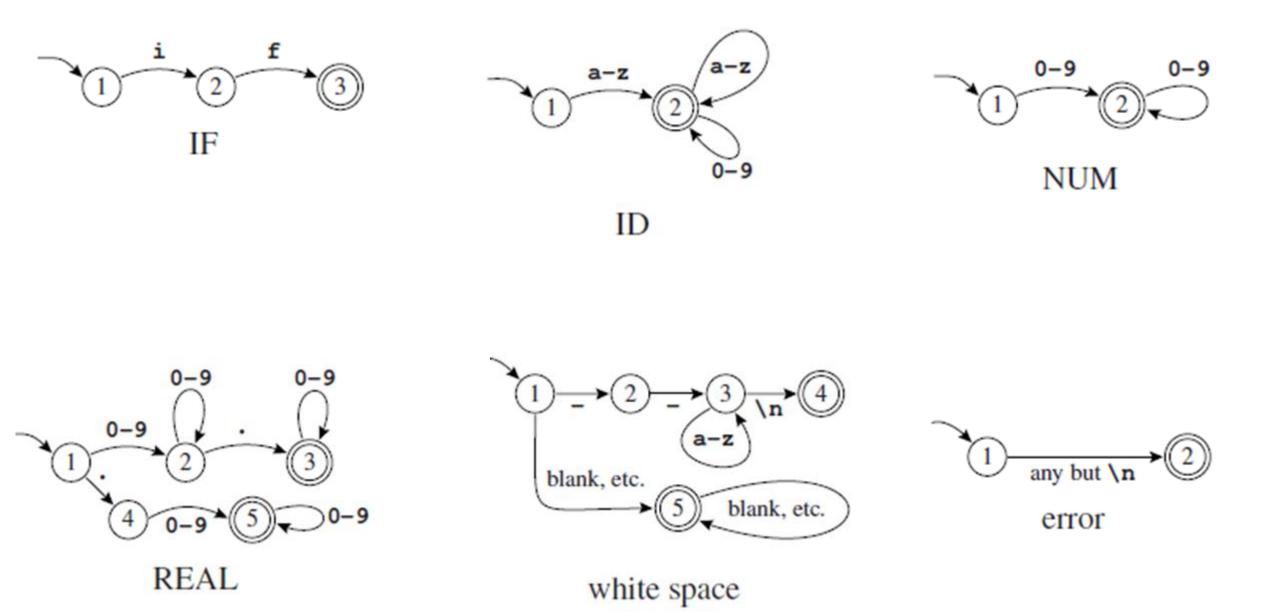
Quotation, a string in quotes stands for itself literally.

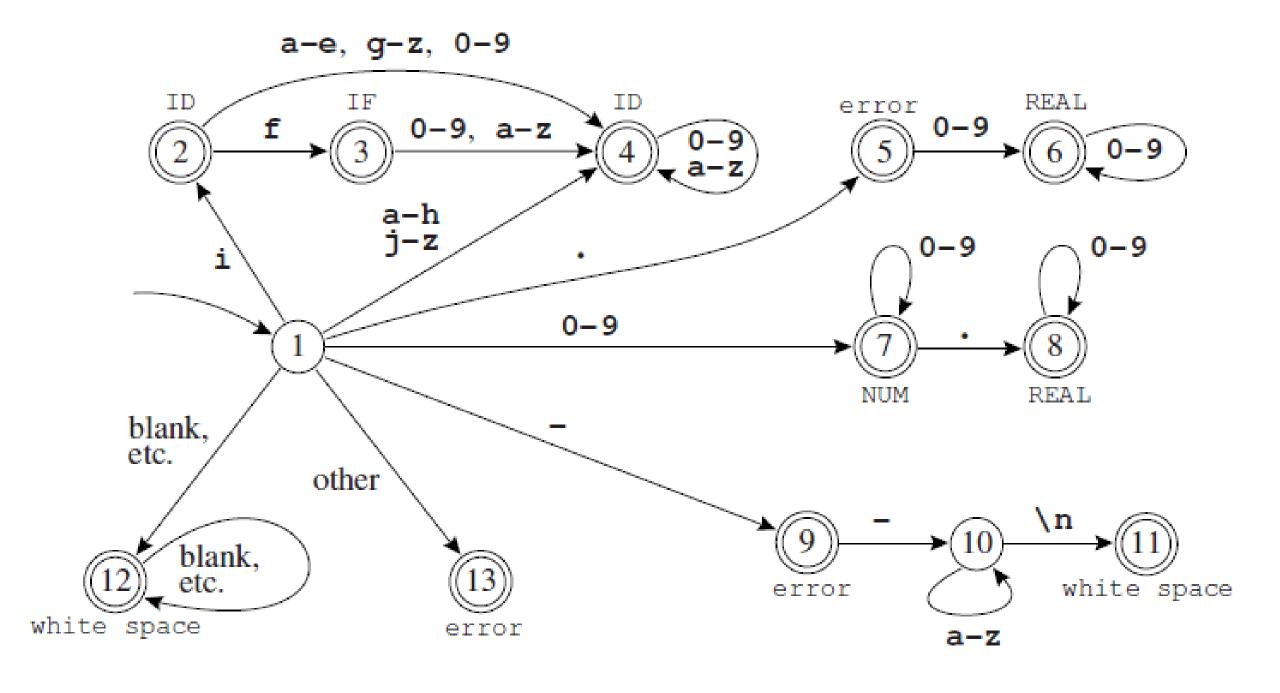
M?

"a.+*"

 $[\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{z}\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{Z}]$

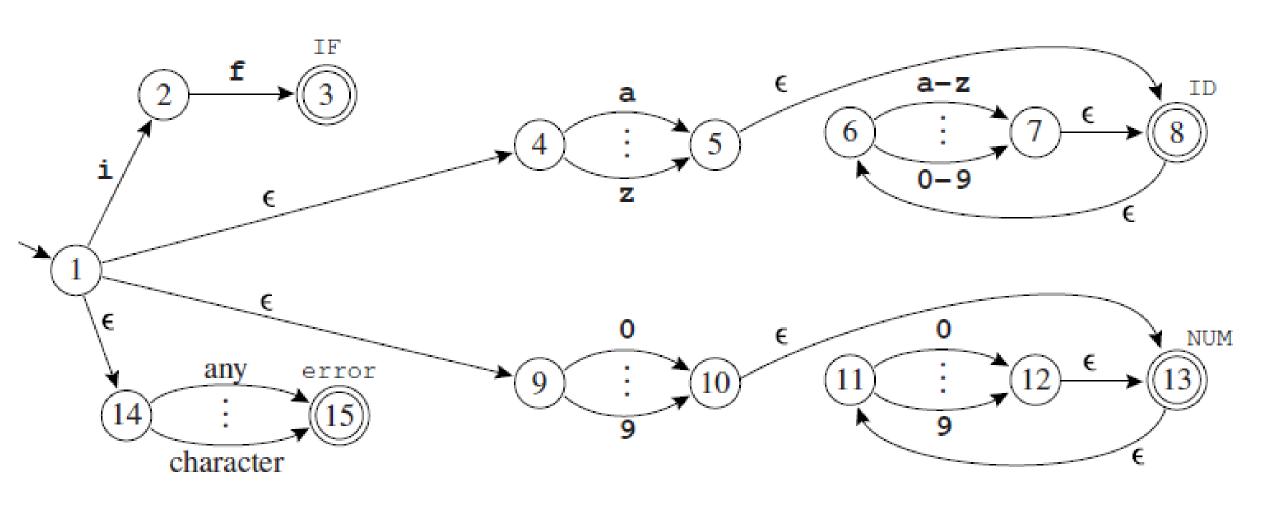
```
if
                                                                                      {return IF;}
                                           [a-z][a-z0-9]*
                                                                                      {return ID;}
                                                                                      {return NUM;}
                                           [0-9]+
                                           ([0-9]+"."[0-9]*) | ([0-9]*"."[0-9]+)
                                                                                      {return REAL;}
                                           ("--"[a-z]*"\n") | (" "|"\n"|"\t")+
                                                                                      { /* do nothing */ }
                                                                                      {error();}
A period stands for any single character except newline.
```

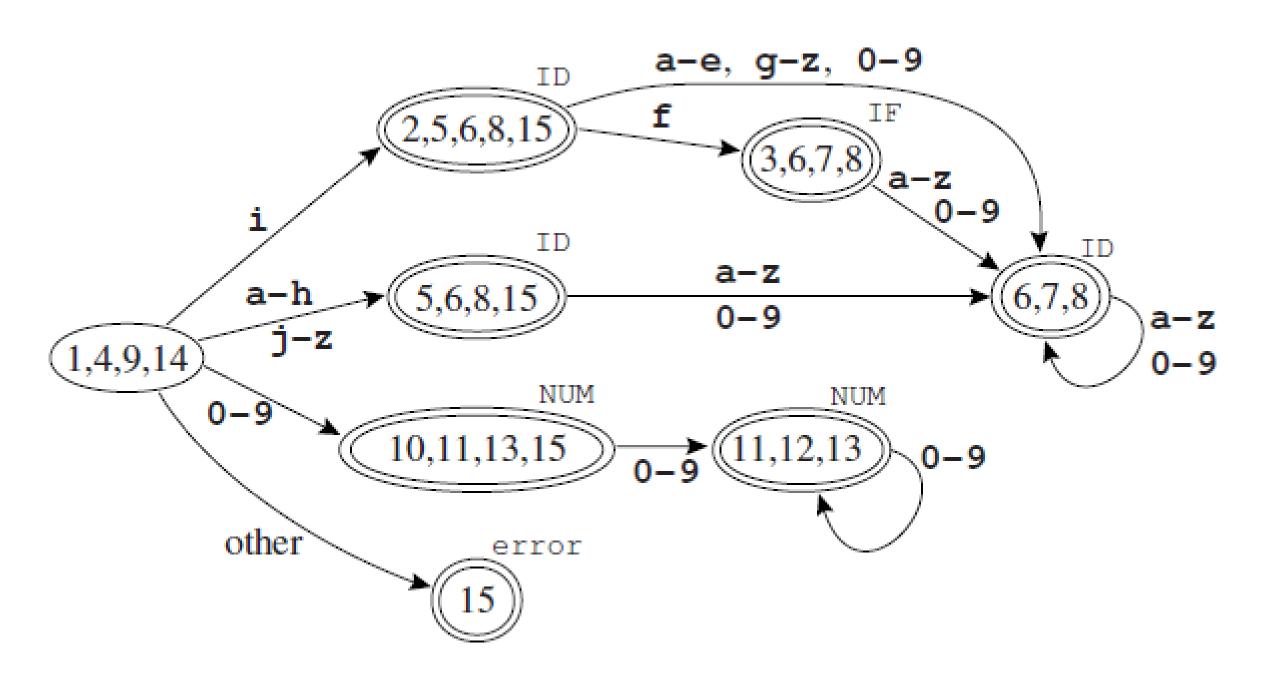




Last	Current	Current	Accept
Final	State	Input	Action
0	1	∏ifnot-a-com	
2	2	l∰not-a-com	
3	3	if∏not-a-com	
3	0	if ^T not-a-com	return IF
0	1	if∏not-a-com	
12	12	if]not-a-com	
12	0	if T_l-not-a-com	found white space; resume
0	1	if <u>T</u> not-a-com	
9	9	if Inot-a-com	
9	10	if -T_not-a-com	
9	10	if -T-npt-a-com	
9	10	if -T-not-a-com	
9	10	if -T-not <u> </u> -a-com	
9	0	if -T-not- <u>p</u> a-com	error, illegal token '-'; resume
0	1	if - I-not-a-com	
9	9	if - -not-a-com	
9	0	if - -hot-a-com	error, illegal token '-'; resume

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2.5. LEX: A LEXICAL ANALYZER GENERATOR

```
/* C Declarations: */
#include "tokens.h" /* definitions of IF, ID, NUM, ... */
#include "errormsq.h"
union {int ival; string sval; double fval;} yylval;
int charPos=1;
#define ADJ (EM tokPos=charPos, charPos+=yyleng)
/* Lex Definitions: */
digits [0-9]+
કુકુ
/* Regular Expressions and Actions: */
i f
                          {ADJ; return IF;}
                         {ADJ; yylval.sval=String(yytext);
[a-z] [a-z0-9]*
                           return ID; }
{digits}
                       {ADJ; yylval.ival=atoi(yytext);
                           return NUM; }
({digits}"."[0-9]*)|([0-9]*"."{digits}) {ADJ;
                           yylval.fval=atof(yytext);
                           return REAL; }
("--"[a-z]*"\n")|(""|"\n"|"\t")+ {ADJ;}
                          {ADJ; EM error("illegal character");}
```

```
: the usual preamble ...
Start INITIAL COMMENT
                {ADJ; return IF;}
<INITIAL>if
<INITIAL>[a-z]+ {ADJ; yylval.sval=String(yytext); return ID;}
                {ADJ; BEGIN COMMENT;}
<INITIAL>"(*"
                {ADJ; EM error("illegal character");}
<INITIAL>.
                {ADJ; BEGIN INITIAL;}
<COMMENT>"*)"
                {ADJ;}
<COMMENT>.
                {BEGIN INITIAL; yyless(1);}
```