

Intermediate Code Generation

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Why an intermediate code?

- A step in closing a big gap between the high level of programming language and low level of machine language.
- Decompose complex constructions: expressions such as $a+b+c*d$, or `loops`, `switches`, etc. – no such things in machine language.
- Basis for machine-independent optimization. Revealing hidden details may also improve optimization capability. E.g. $A[i] = A[i] + 5$: seems nothing to improve, but there are hidden address calculations – twice the same (if in loop, may lead to significant loss of efficiency).
- Technological advantage in compilers construction: new language/machine architecture requires a new front-end/back-end, and not an entire new compiler.

Intermediate Code Generation

- Intermediate code generation is done during semantic analysis.
- The front-end of the compiler translates a source program into an intermediate representation from which the back-end of the compiler generates the resulting target code
- There are several intermediate code languages, very similar to one another.

TAC - Three-Address Code

- This is a widely used representation of an intermediate code.
- TAC – Three-Address Code.
- Each statement (command) may use up to three addresses:
 - two for the operands
 - one for the returned result
- TAC statements can be labeled by symbolic labels (A,B,C..).

TAC syntax : operations and commands

- **Assignment statements:** $x := y \text{ op } z$

where **op** is a binary logical or arithmetic operation (e.g. + or &).

- **Assignment operation:** $x := \text{op } y$

where **op** is a unary logical or arithmetic operation (e.g. negation, or unary minus)

- **Copy statement:** $x := y$

TAC syntax : operations and commands

- **Unconditional jump:** **goto label**
- **Conditional jump:** **if x relop y goto label**

where **relop** is a relational operation (e.g. < or ==)

TAC syntax : operations and commands

- Indexed assignment

$x := y[i]$ and $x[i] := y$

- Address and pointer assignments (three command types:)

$x := \&y$

$x := *y$

$*x := y$

TAC syntax : operations and commands

- procedure calls :

param x

call proc, n

where **n** specifies the number of parameters that procedure **proc** receives.
e.g. :

param x1

param x2

...

param xn

call proc , n

Translation Scheme : Code Generation

- We now consider translation for :
 - Declarations
 - Expressions and assignment statement
 - Control statements

Translation of declaration

- Translation of declarations addresses the need to allocate memory for each declared variable (during execution of the compiled program).
- Amount of memory depends on type of the variable - basic data type (integer, char, real), complex (struct), array, etc.
- Addresses must be relative (given by offset).
- An offset is relative to the start of the scope in which the variable is declared.
- A global variable *offset* will hold next available relative address.

Translation of declaration

- $S \rightarrow D$
- $D \rightarrow D;D$
- $D \rightarrow \text{id}:T$
- $T \rightarrow \text{integer} \mid \text{real}$
- $T \rightarrow \text{array}[\text{num}] \text{ of } T_1$
- $T \rightarrow *T_1$

For the sake of memory allocation and storing appropriate data in symbol table.
For the grammar variable T we define synthesized attributes **type** and **width**:

T.type - the type of the declared variable

T.width - the size (measured in bytes) of the variable

$S \rightarrow \{\text{offset} := 0\} \quad D$

$D \rightarrow D ; D$

$D \rightarrow \text{id} : T$ { entry_ptr = insert(current_table, id.name);
 set_type(entry_ptr, T.type);
 set_offset(entry_ptr, offset);
 offset := offset + T.width; }

$T \rightarrow \text{integer}$ { $T.\text{type} := \text{integer};$
 $T.\text{width} := 4$ }

$T \rightarrow \text{real}$ { $T.\text{type} := \text{real};$
 $T.\text{width} := 8$ }

$T \rightarrow \text{array}[\text{num}] \text{ of } T1$ { $T.\text{type} := \text{array}(\text{num.value}, T1.\text{type});$
 $T.\text{width} := \text{num.value} * T1.\text{width}$ }

$T \rightarrow *T1$ { $T.\text{type} := \text{pointer}(T1.\text{type});$
 $T.\text{width} := 4$ }

Translation of expressions and assignments

- In translation of complex expressions of the input language, temporary variables are used to store values of intermediate results.
- E.g.:

`a = (b + c) * d + 12;` `Boo(a, b, c, d);`

Cannot translate into single-line TAC. Must use temporary variables.

- For example in a rule $E \rightarrow E \text{ op } E$, the value of expression E on the left hand side should be computed from the values of its sub-expressions.
- Each of these two values is stored in some variable.
- The result will be stored in a temporary variable.

Translation of expressions and assignments

- $S \rightarrow \text{id} := E$
- $E \rightarrow E + E$
- $E \rightarrow E * E$
- $E \rightarrow - E$
- $E \rightarrow (E)$
- $E \rightarrow \text{id}$

Translation of expressions and assignments

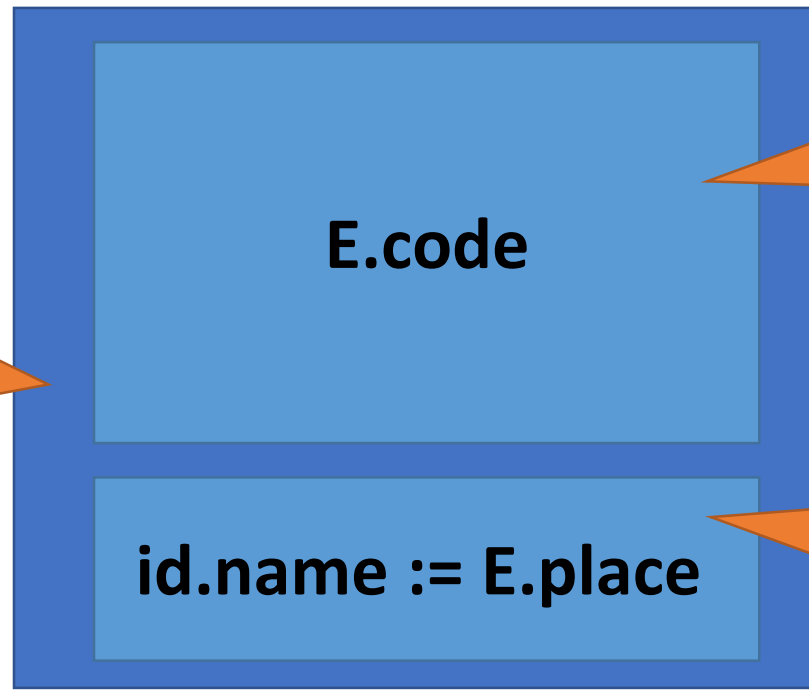
- To implement the translation, the following attributes are used:
- Attributes (all are synthesized):
 - E.place** – name of the variable that holds a value of E
 - E.code** – holds a TAC for expression E (a series of TAC commands that compute E's value and store it in the variable E.place)
 - id.name** – name (lexeme) of the identifier, as supplied by the lexical analyzer
- In addition, the following function is used :
function newtemp : creates a new name (for a new temporary variable)

|| - string concatenation

$S \rightarrow id := E$

$\{ S.code = E.code || id.name || " := " || E.place \}$

A few code lines that computes the value of the expression E and store the result in the variable id.name

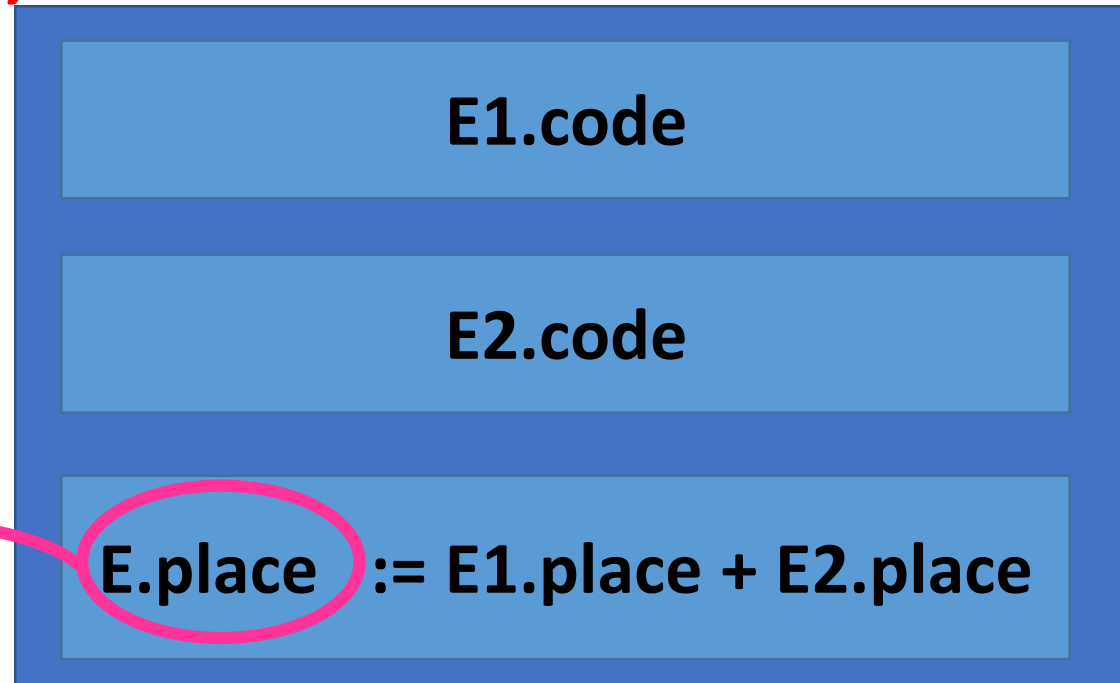


A few code lines that computes the value of the expression E and store the result in the variable E.place

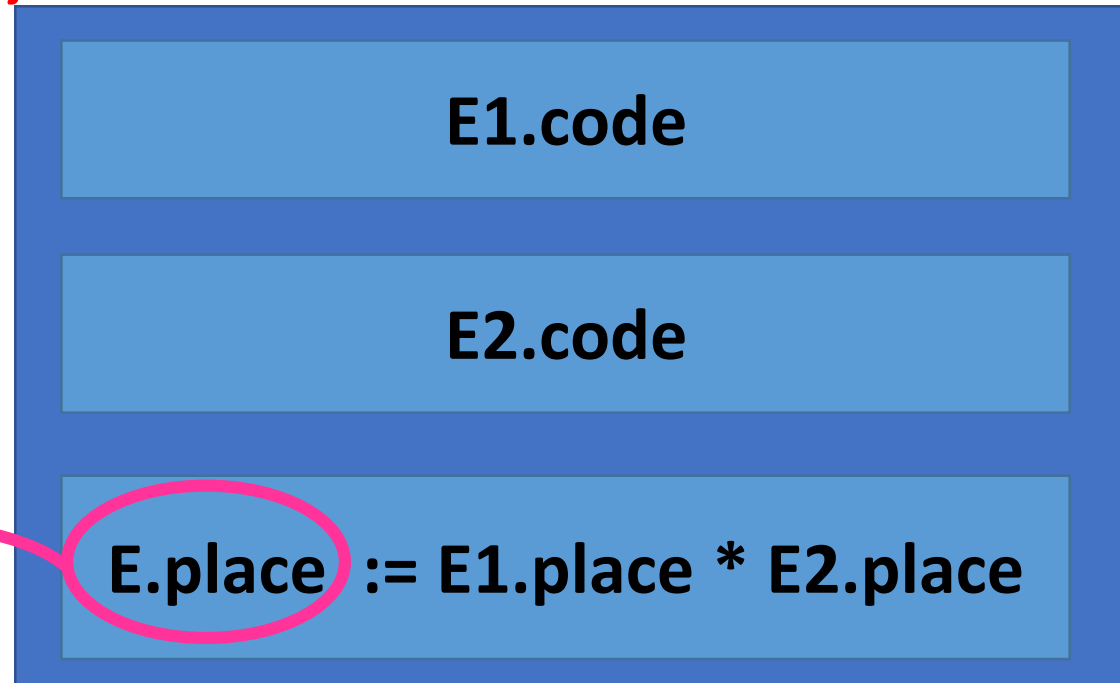
A single line command: Copying the value stored in the variable E.place into the variable id.name

$E \rightarrow id$ {E.place = id.name;
 E.code = ""}

• $E \rightarrow E1 + E2$ { $E.place = newtemp;$
 $E.code = E1.code || E2.code ||$
 $E.place || ":=" || E1.place || "+" || E2.place$
 }

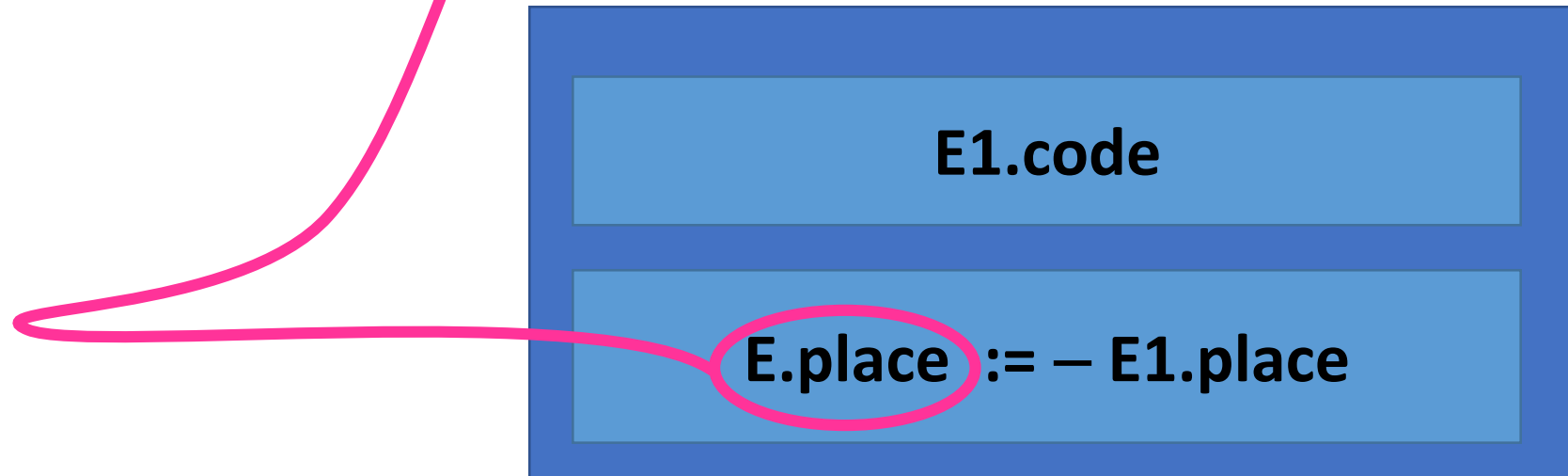


• $E \rightarrow E1 * E2$ { $E.place = newtemp;$
 $E.code = E1.code || E2.code ||$
 $E.place || ":=" || E1.place || "*" || E2.place$
}



• $E \rightarrow - E1$

```
{ E.place = newtemp;  
  E.code = E1.code ||  
           E.place || ":=-" || E1.place }
```



- $E \rightarrow (E1)$

$\{ E.place = E1.place ;$
 $E.code = E1.code \}$

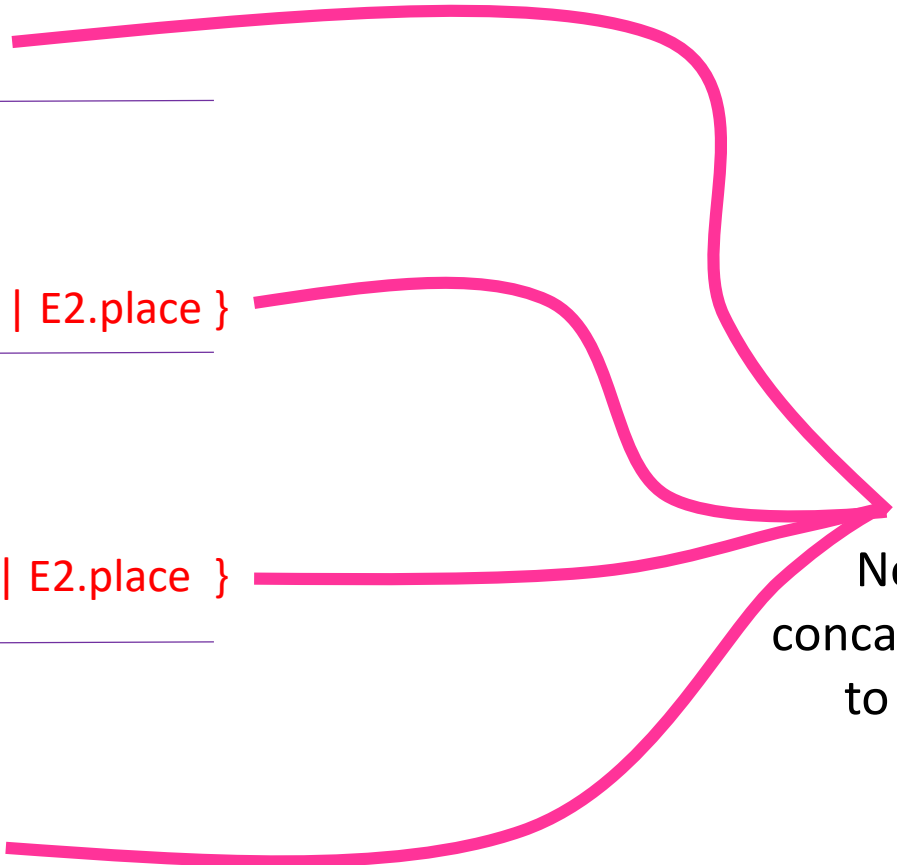
**E.place coincides
with
E1.place.**

Thus:

A few code lines that
computes the value of
the expression E and
store the result in the
variable E.place

E1.code

A few code lines that
computes the value of
the expression E1 and
store the result in the
variable E1.place

$S \rightarrow id := E$	$\{ S.code = E.code \mid \mid$ $id.name \mid \mid " := " \mid \mid E.place \}$		New lines concatenated to existing code
$E \rightarrow E1 + E2$	$\{ E.place = newtemp;$ $E.code = E1.code \mid \mid E2.code \mid \mid$ $E.place \mid \mid " := " \mid \mid E1.place \mid \mid "+" \mid \mid E2.place \}$		
$E \rightarrow E1 * E2$	$\{ E.place = newtemp;$ $E.code = E1.code \mid \mid E2.code \mid \mid$ $E.place \mid \mid " := " \mid \mid E1.place \mid \mid "*" \mid \mid E2.place \}$		
$E \rightarrow -E1$	$\{ E.place = newtemp;$ $E.code = E1.code \mid \mid$ $E.place \mid \mid " := -" \mid \mid E1.place \}$		
$E \rightarrow (E1)$	$\{ E.place = E1.place ; E.code = E1.code \}$		
$E \rightarrow id$	$\{ E.place = id.name; E.code = "" \}$		

emit - concatenating new code

- For convenience we use function *emit(string)* that creates E.code by appending the string at the end of the already created code, and avoid the concatenating sign.
- E.g.:
 $E \rightarrow E1+E2$ {E.place = newtemp;
 E.code = E1.code || E2.code ||
 E.place || “:=” || E1.place || “+” || E2.place }
- Becomes:
 $E \rightarrow E1+E2$ {E.place := newtemp;
 emit (E.place “:=” E1.place “+” E2.place) }

$S \rightarrow id := E$

{ emit(id.name “:=” E.place) }

$E \rightarrow E1 + E2$

{ E.place = newtemp;
emit(E.place “:=” E1.place “+” E2.place) }

$E \rightarrow E1 * E2$

{ E.place = newtemp;
emit(E.place “:=” E1.place “*” E2.place) }

$E \rightarrow -E1$

{ E.place = newtemp;
emit(E.place “:= -” E1.place) }

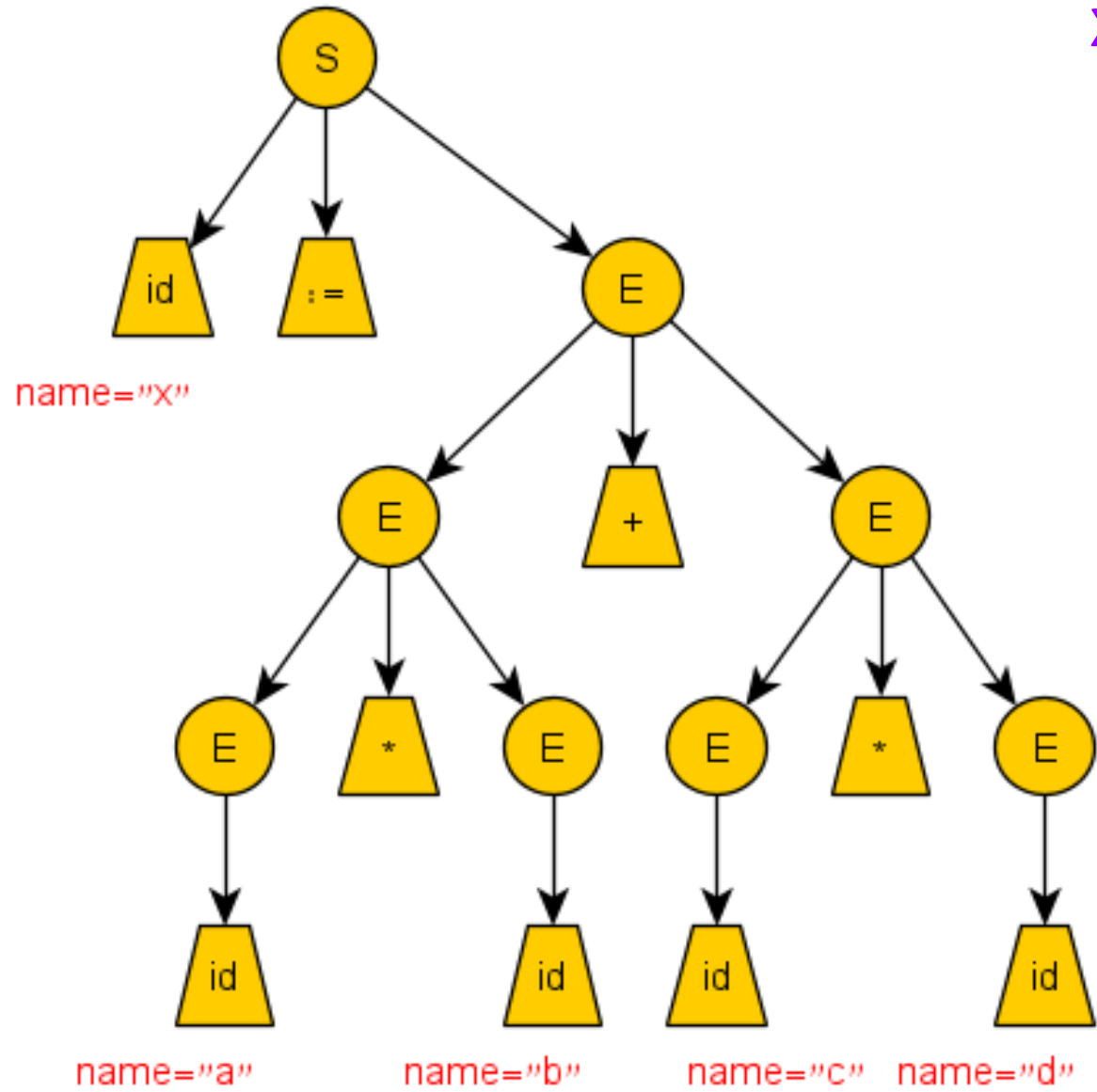
$E \rightarrow (E1)$

{ E.place = E1.place }

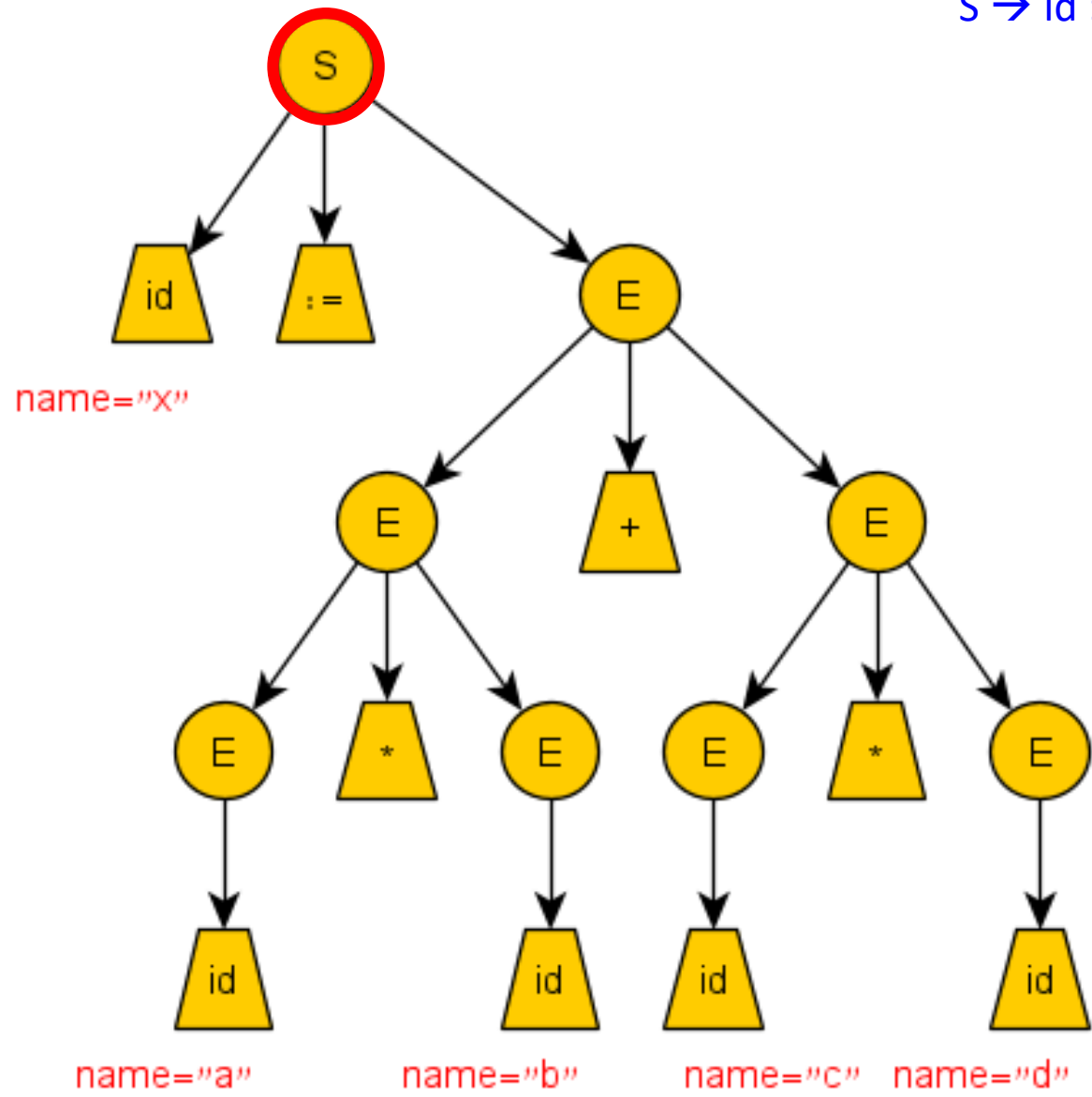
$E \rightarrow id$

{ E.place = id.name; }

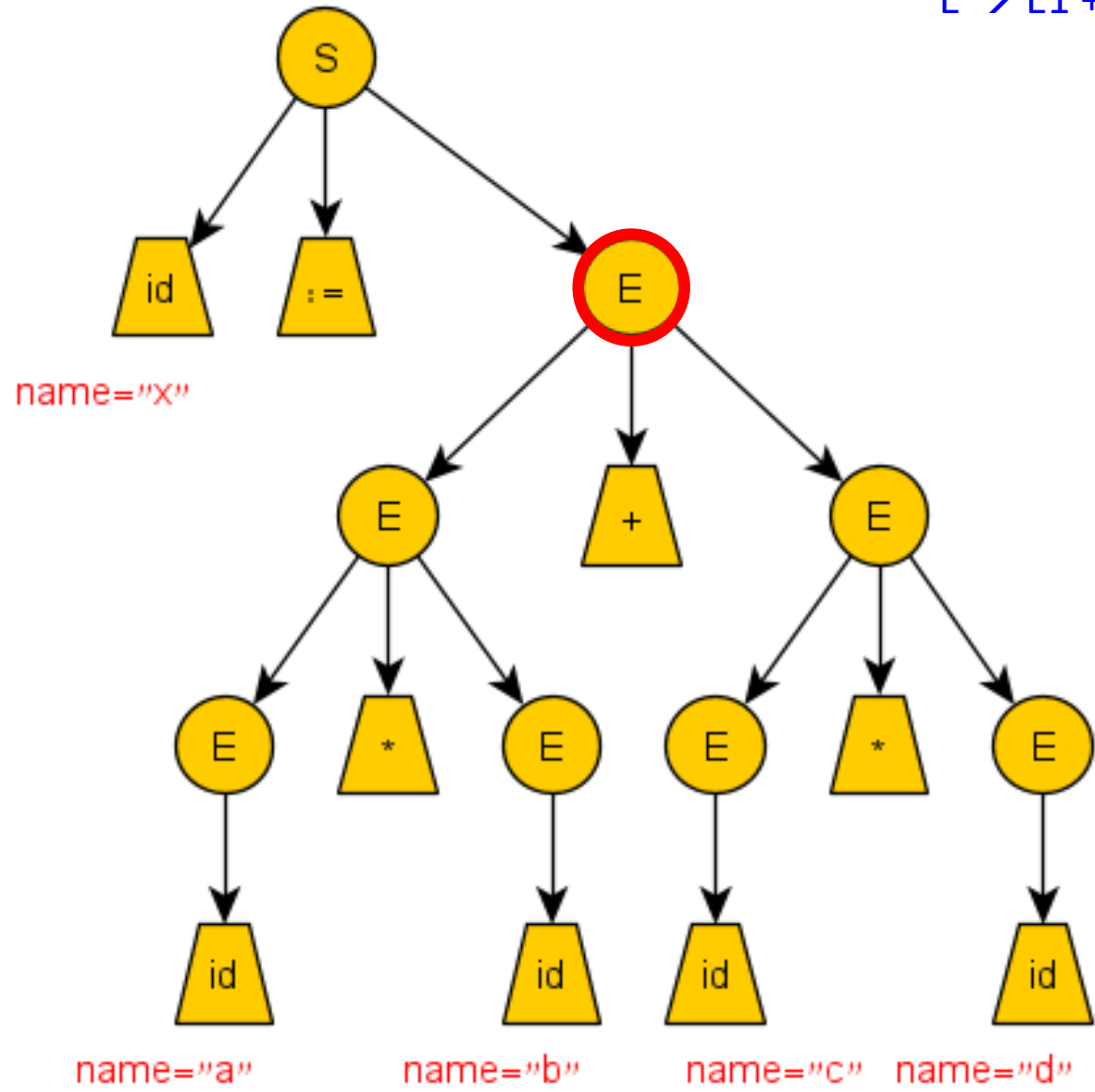
$x := a * b + c * d$



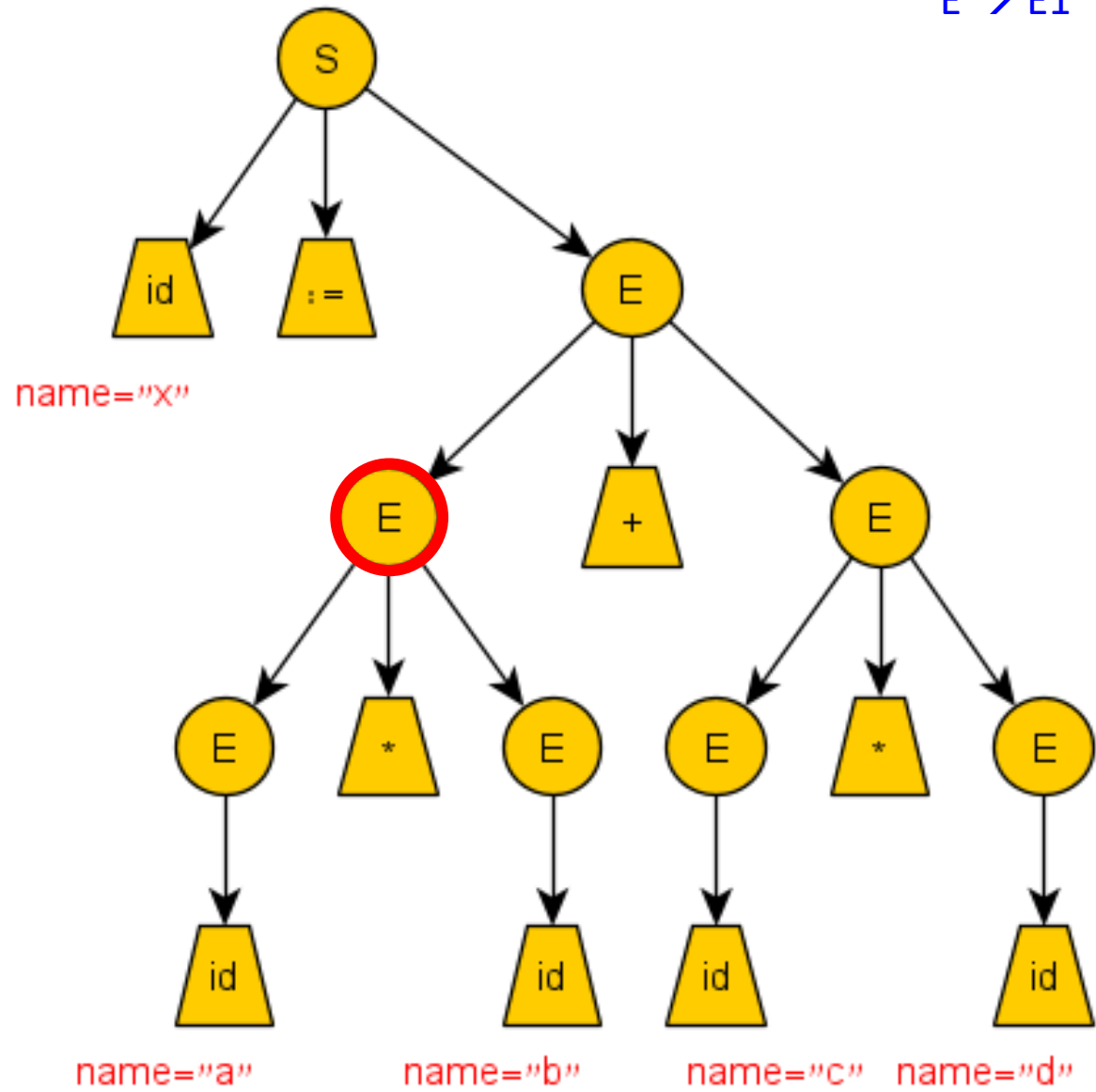
$S \rightarrow id := E$



$E \rightarrow E1 + E2$

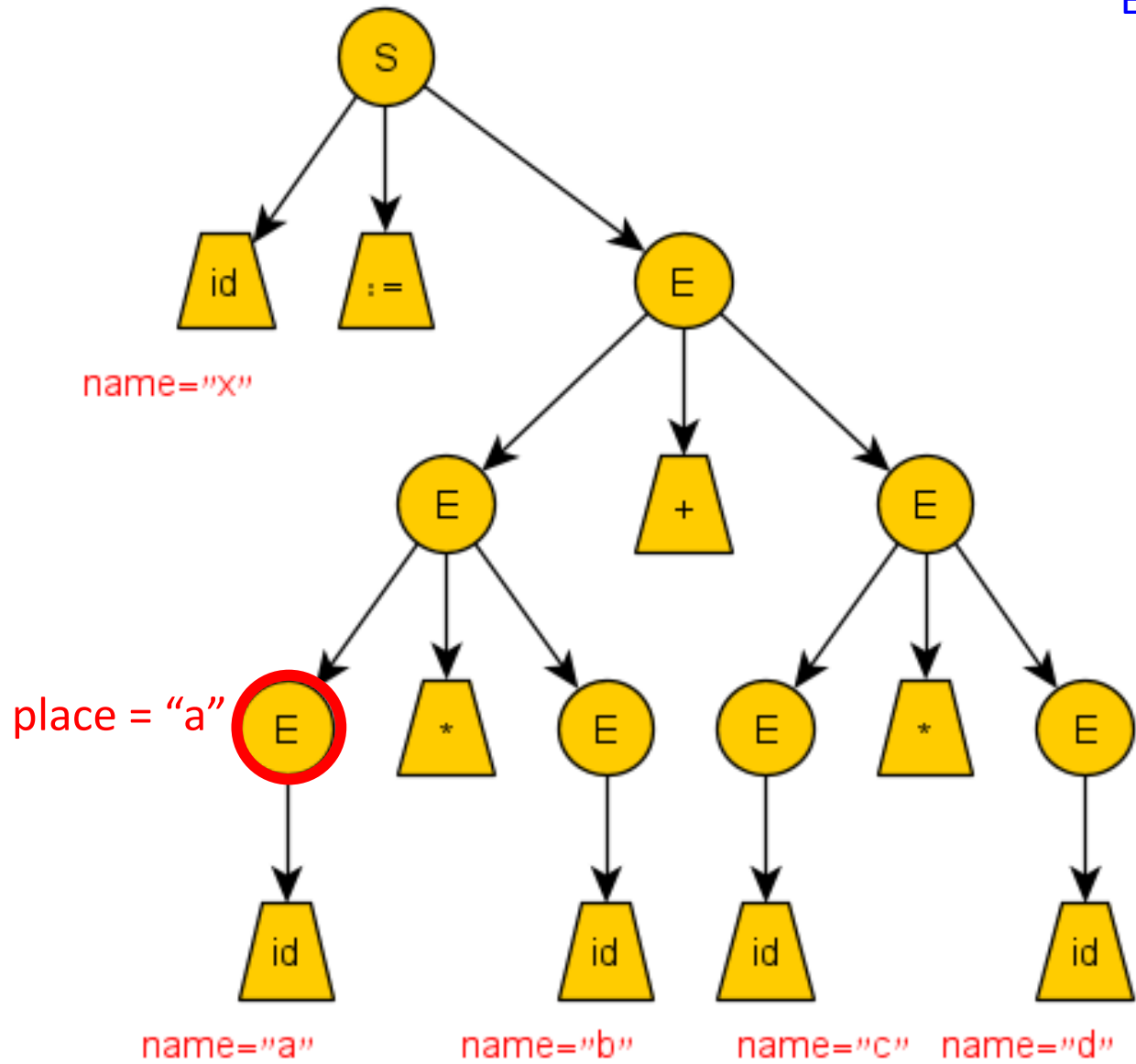


$E \rightarrow E1 * E2$

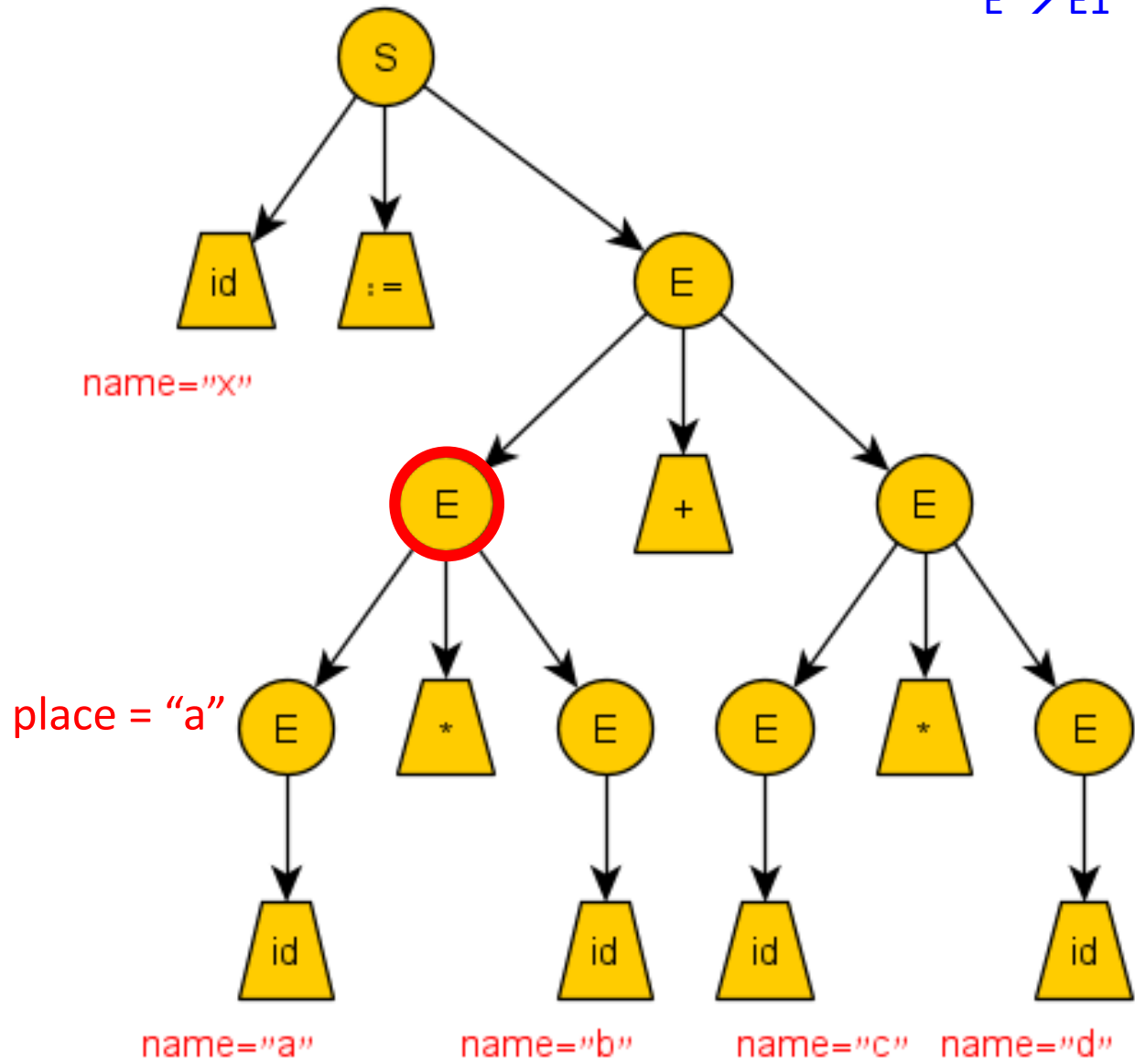


$E \rightarrow id$

$\{E.place = id.name;\}$

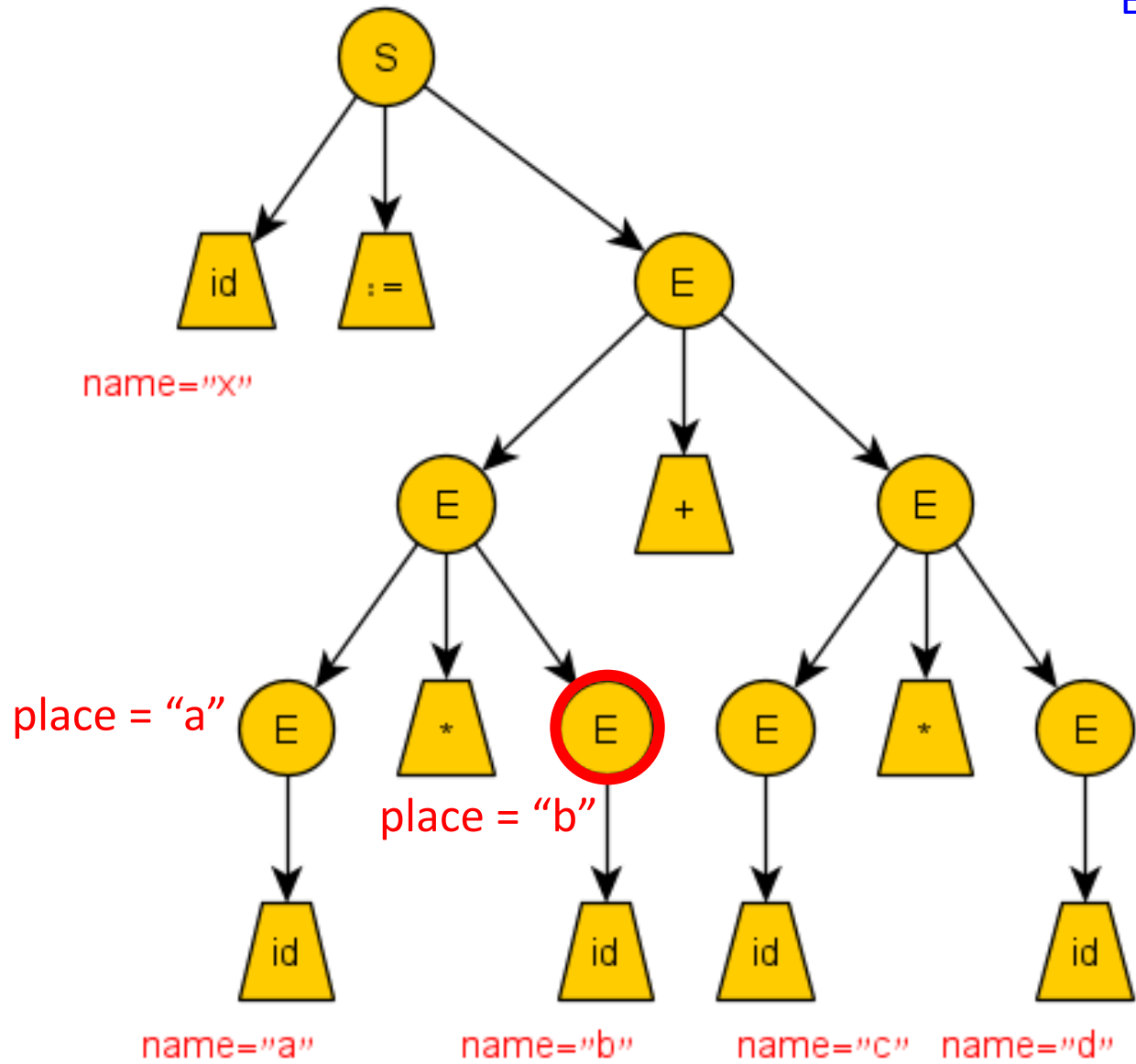


$E \rightarrow E1 * E2$



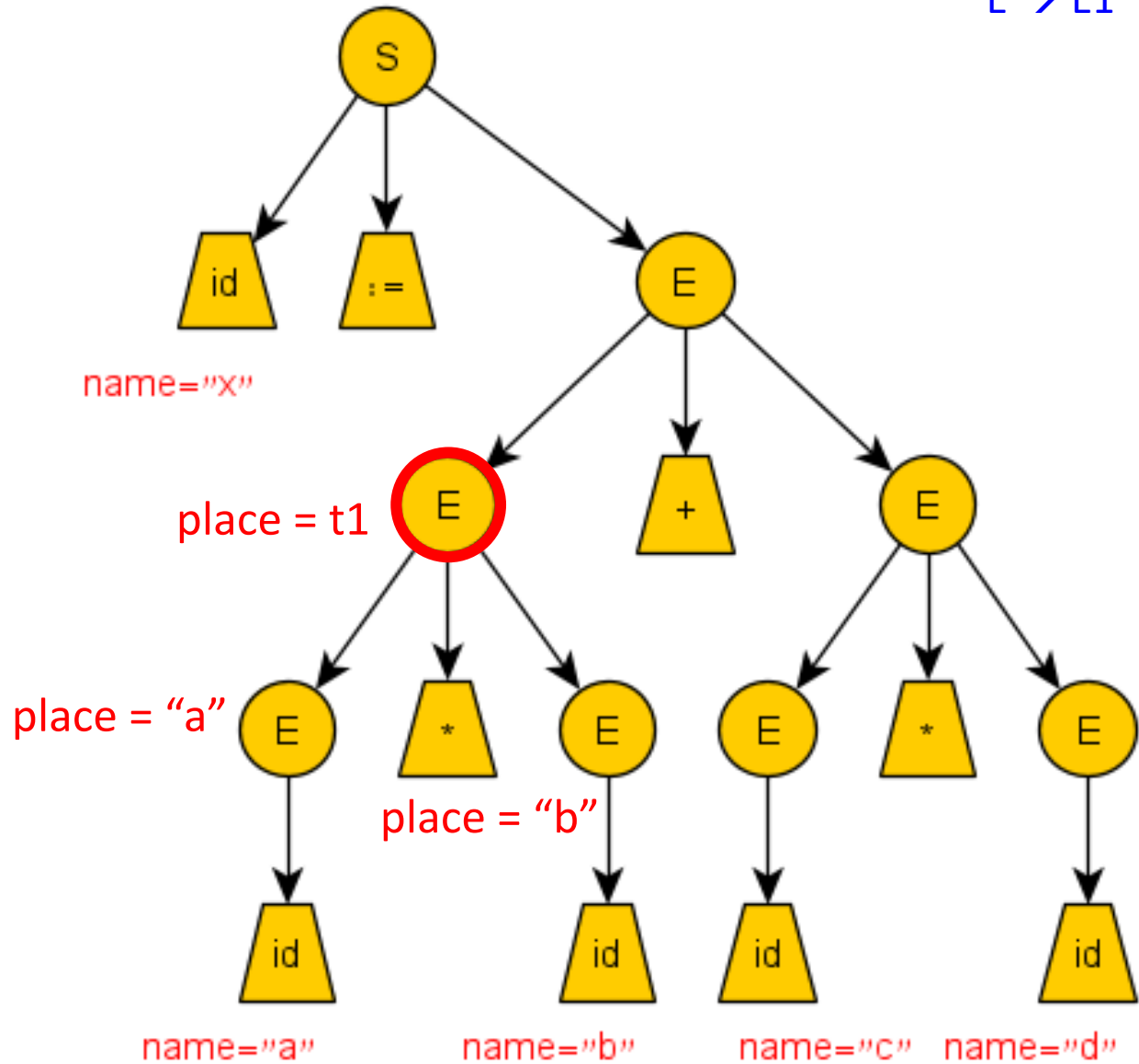
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$\{E.place = id.name;\}$



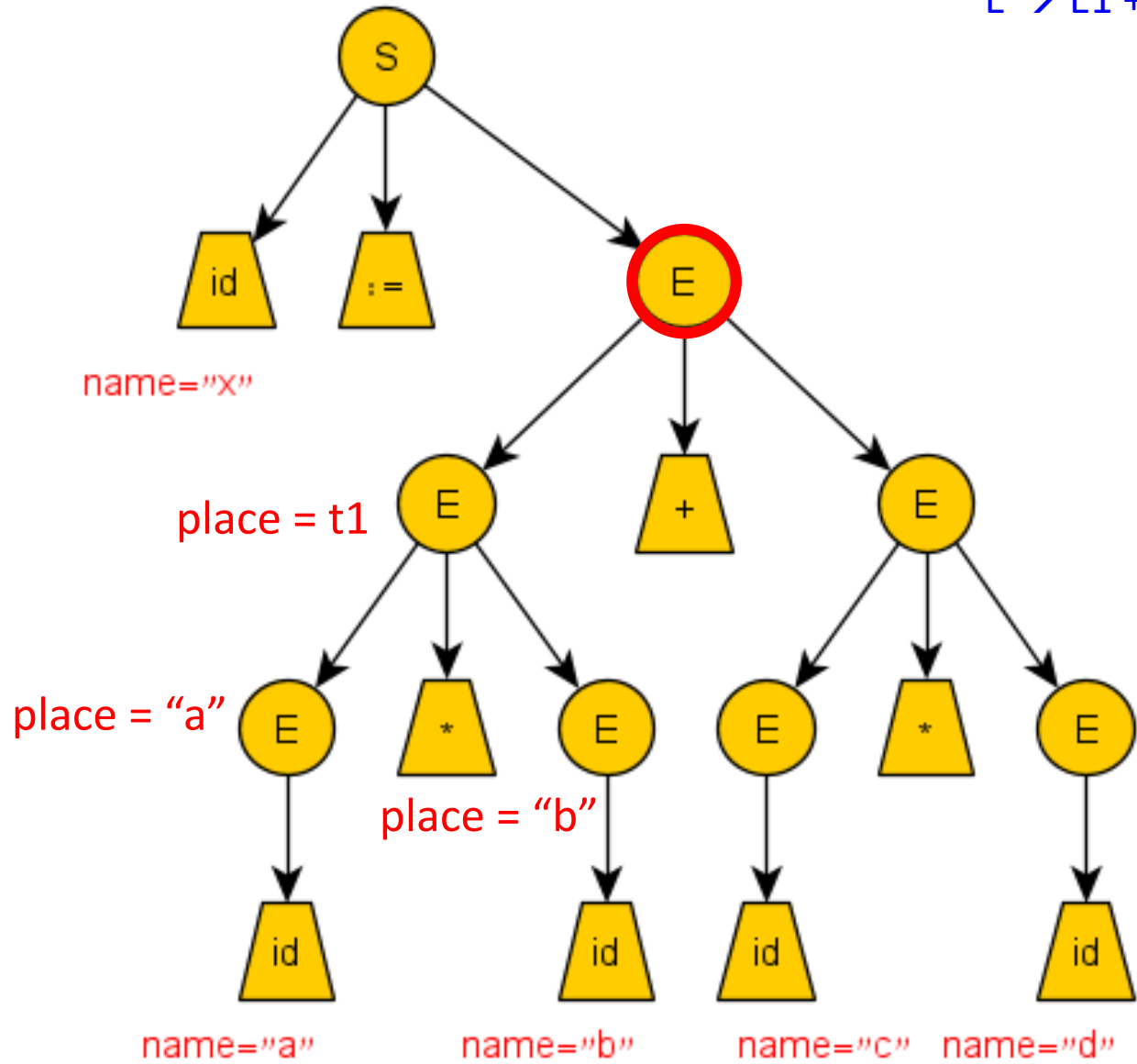
$E \rightarrow E1 * E2$

$\{E.place = newtemp;$
 $emit(E.place \text{ ":=" } E1.place \text{ "*" } E2.place) \}$



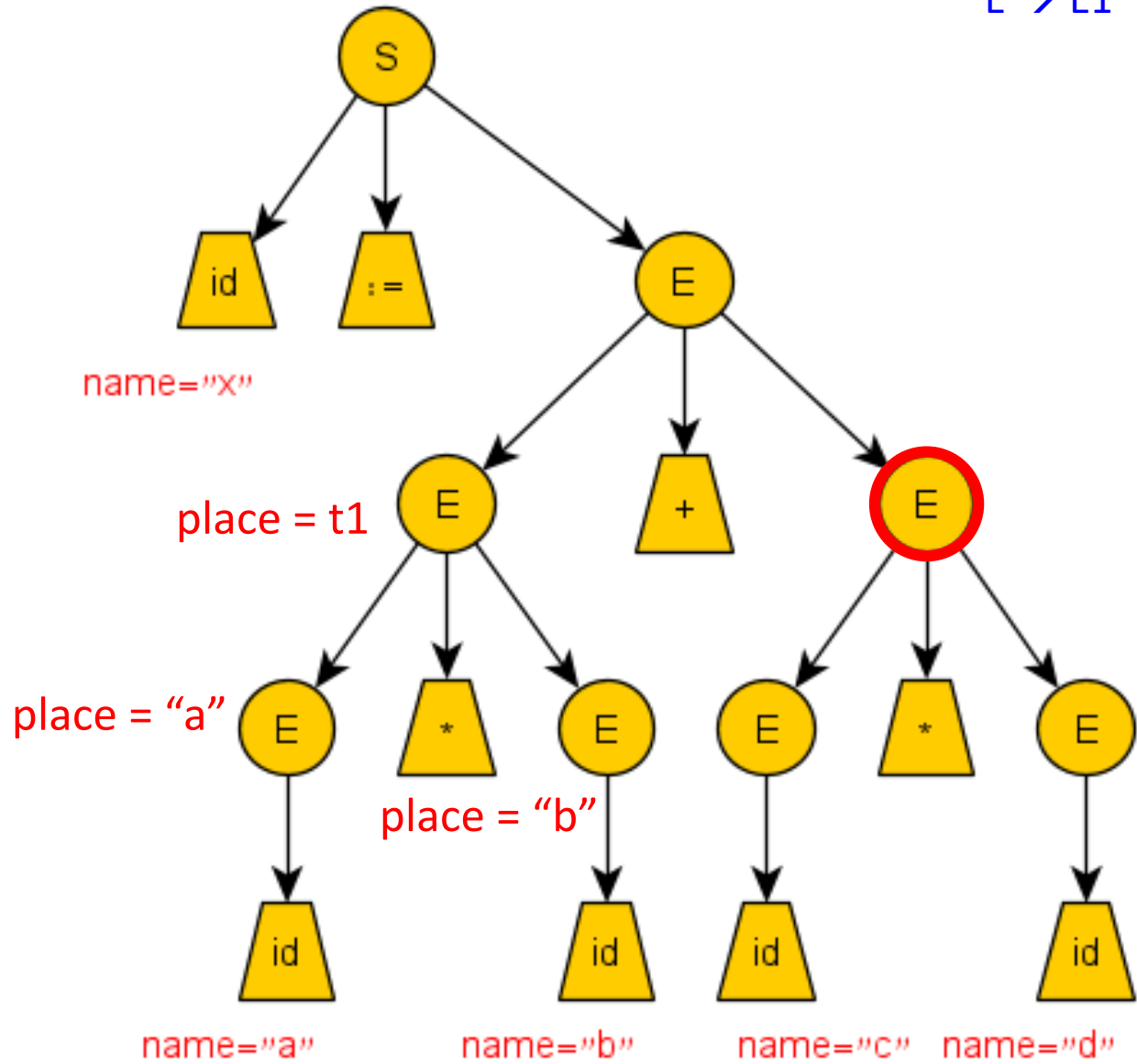
t1 := a * b

$E \rightarrow E1 + E2$



t1 := a * b

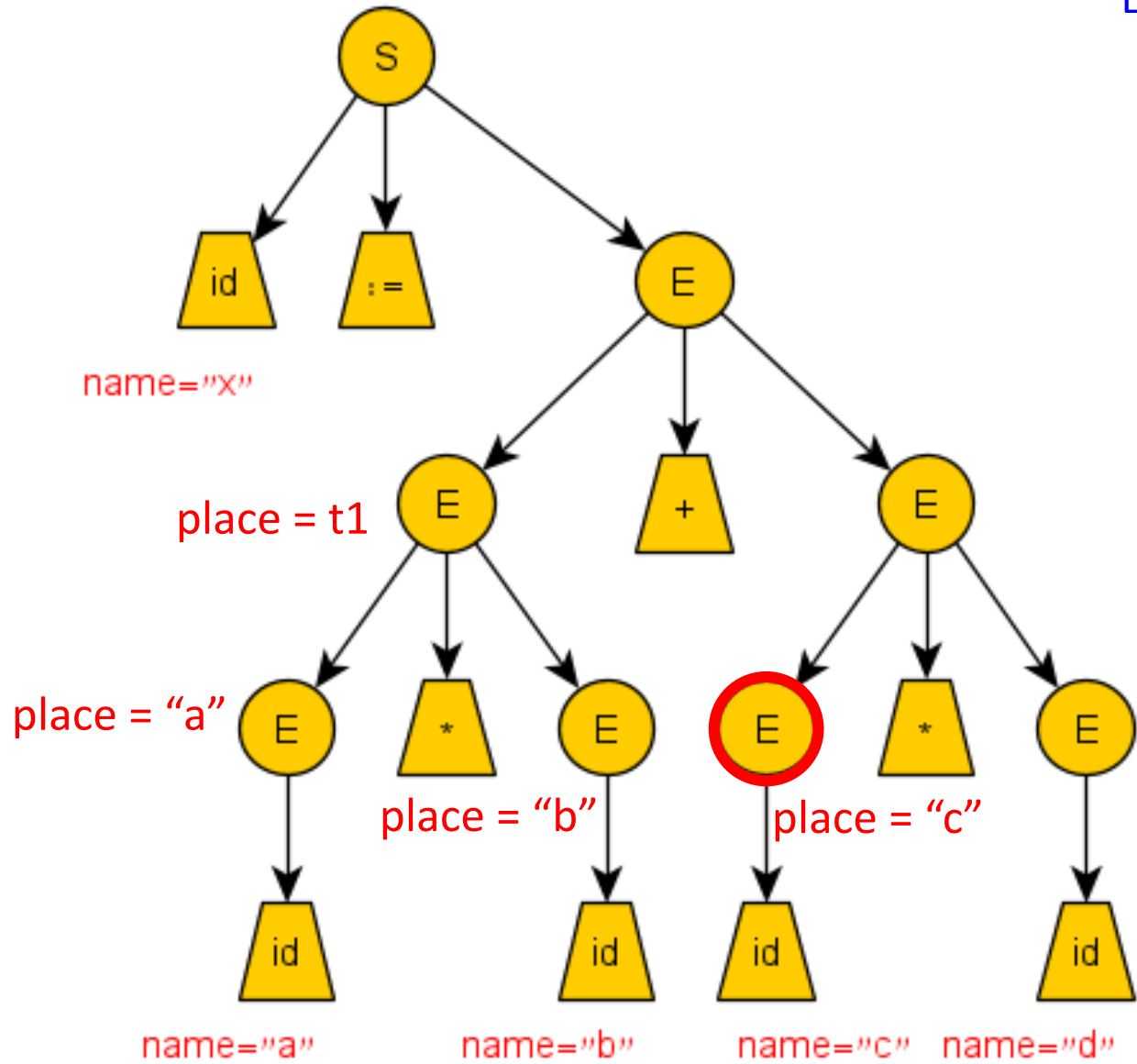
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t1 := a * b

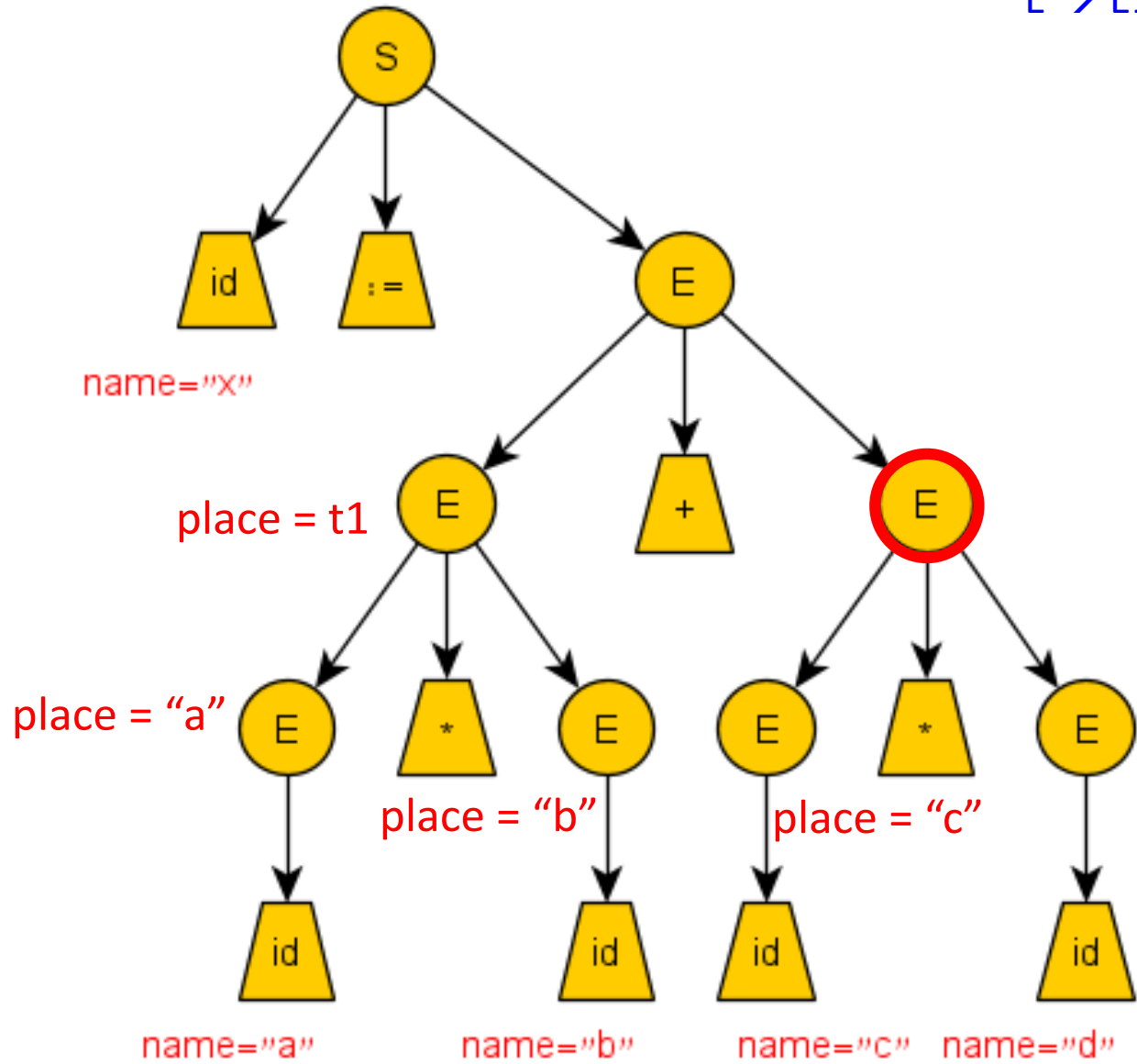
$E \rightarrow id$

$\{E.place = id.name;\}$



t1 := a * b

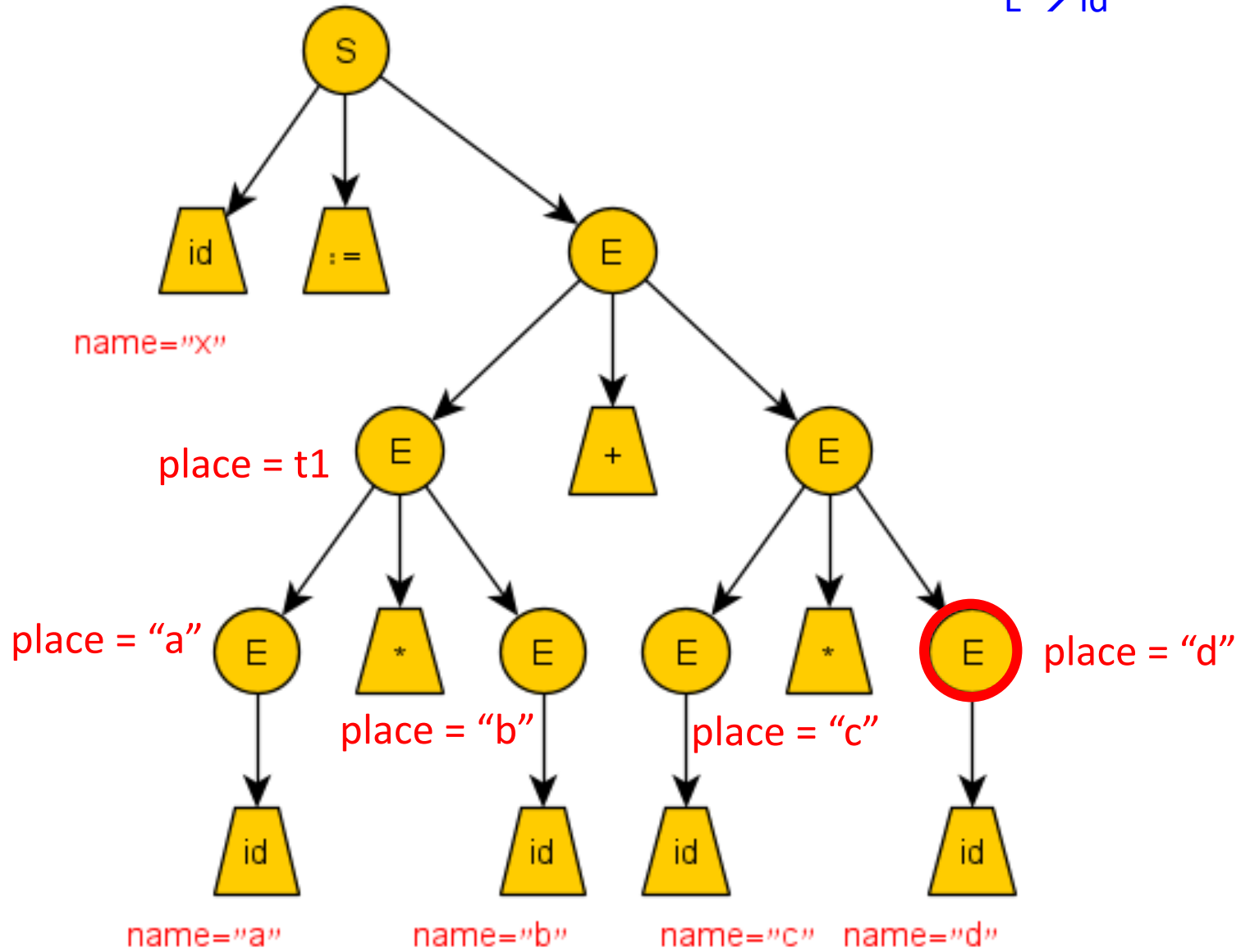
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t1 := a * b

$E \rightarrow id$

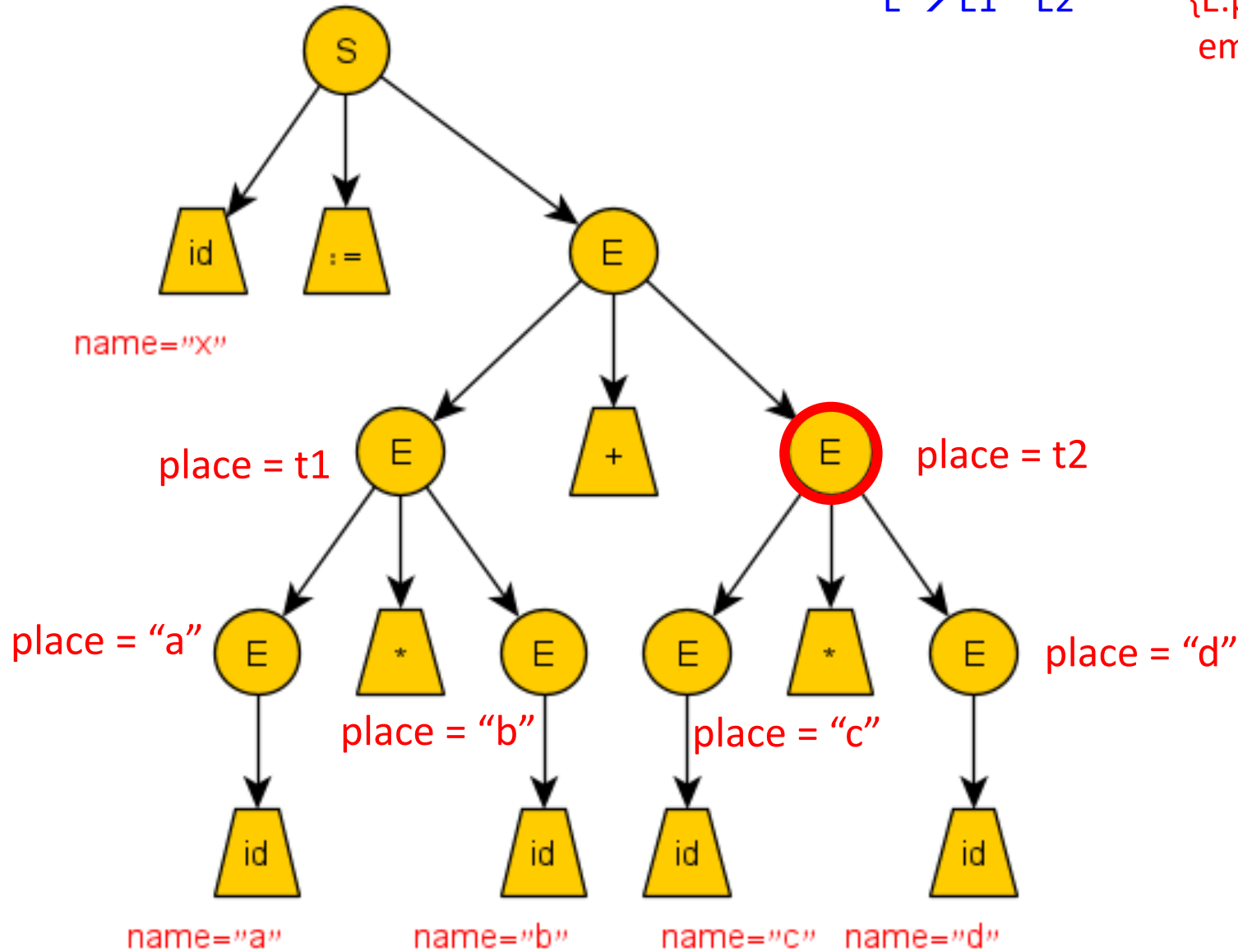
$\{E.place = id.name;\}$



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t1 := a * b
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$E \rightarrow E1 * E2$

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 $emit(E.place \text{ ":=" } E1.place \text{ "*" } E2.place) \}$

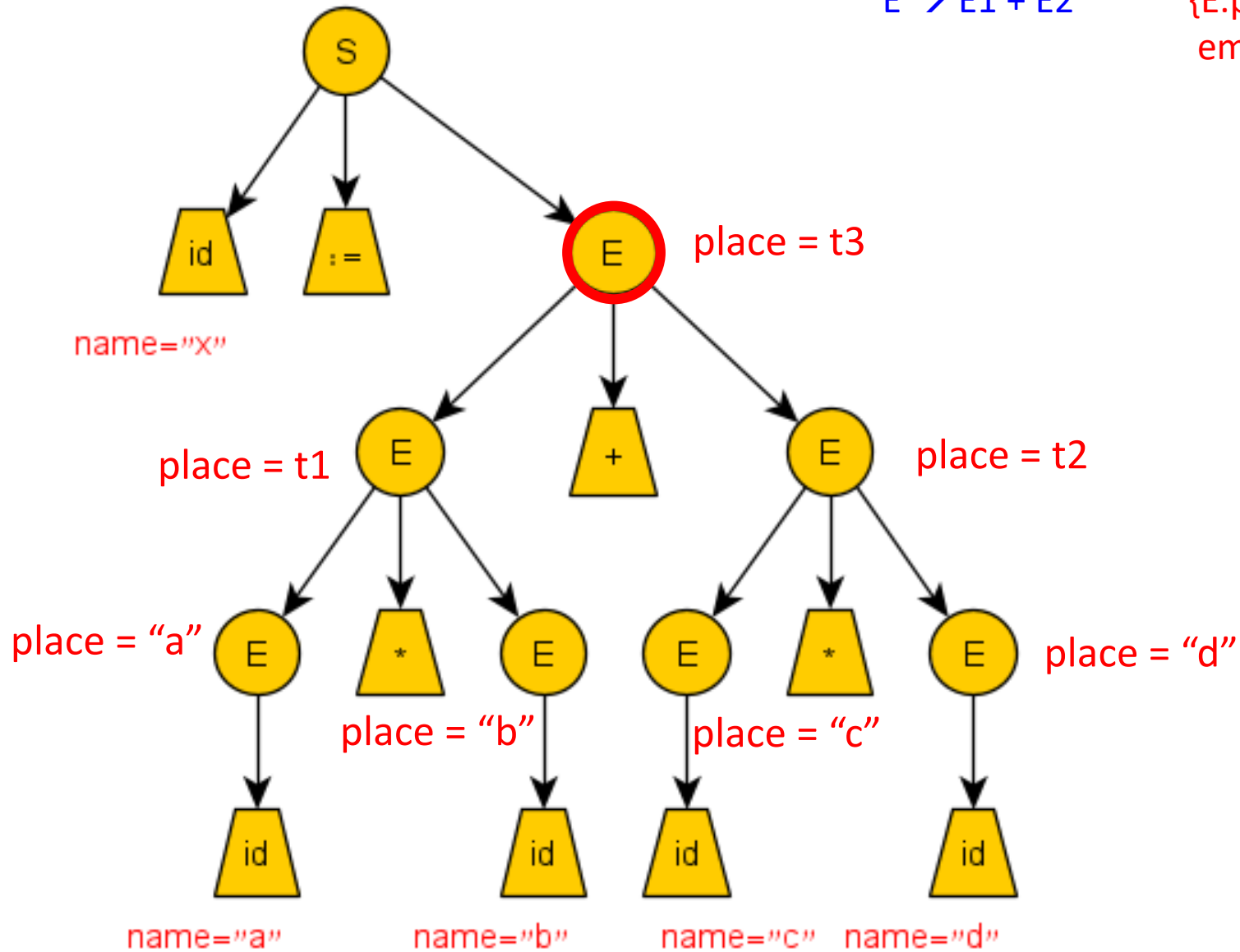


t1 := a * b

t2 := c * d

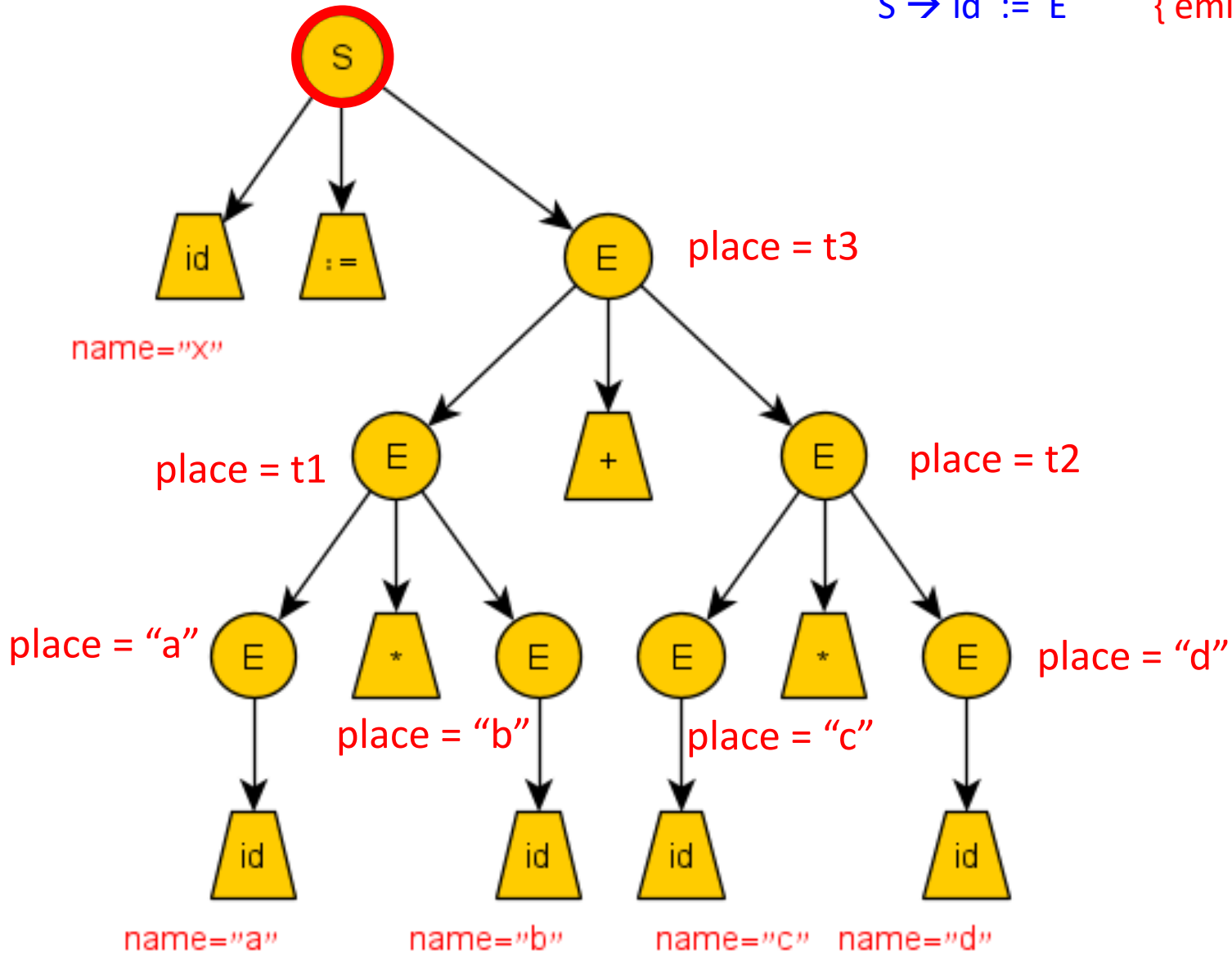
$E \rightarrow E1 + E2$

$\{E.place = newtemp;$
 $emit(E.place \text{ ":=" } E1.place \text{ "+" } E2.place) \}$



```
t1 := a * b
t2 := c * d
t3 := t1 + t2
```

$S \rightarrow id := E$ { emit(id.name $:=$ E.place) }



```
t1 := a * b
t2 := c * d
t3 := t1 + t2
x  := t3
```

Type-sensitive translation

- The above translation scheme is type-insensitive.
- In order to compute the sum of, e.g., integer and real, the integer must be converted to real.
- We assume the existence of TAC command *inttoreal*.
- E.g., for $E \rightarrow E1+E2$:
- We assume:
 - Operator “int+” : integers addition
 - Operator “real+” : reals addition.

$E \rightarrow E1 + E2$

```
{E.place := newtemp;
if E1.type==integer and E2.type ==integer
    then { emit( E.place " := " E1.place 'int+' E2.place);
           E.type:=integer  }
else if E1.type==real and E2.type ==real
    then { emit(E.place ' := ' E1.place 'real +' E2.place);
           E.type:=real  }
else if E1.type==integer and E2.type ==real
    then { u = newtemp;
           emit(u " := inttoreal" E1.place);
           emit(E.place " := " u "real+" E2.place);
           E.type=real  }
else if E1.type== real and E2.type == integer
    then { u = newtemp;
           emit(u " := inttoreal" E2.place);
           emit(E.place " := " E1.place "real+" u);
           E.type:=real  }
else E.type:=type_error; }
```

Translation of Boolean expressions

- $E \rightarrow E \text{ or } E$
- $E \rightarrow E \text{ and } E$
- $E \rightarrow \text{not } E$
- $E \rightarrow (E)$
- $E \rightarrow \text{id relop id}$
- $E \rightarrow \text{True}$
- $E \rightarrow \text{False}$

$E \rightarrow E1 \text{ or } E2$	<pre> { E.place = newtemp; emit(E.place ":=" E1.place "or" E2.place) } </pre>
$E \rightarrow E1 \text{ and } E2$	<pre> { E.place = newtemp; emit(E.place ":=" E1.place "and" E2.place) } </pre>
$E \rightarrow \text{not } E1$	<pre> { E.place = newtemp; emit(E.place ":=" not E1.place) } </pre>
$E \rightarrow (E1)$	<pre> { E.place = E1.place } </pre>
$E \rightarrow \text{true}$	<pre> { E.place = newtemp; emit(E.place ":=" 1) } </pre>
$E \rightarrow \text{false}$	<pre> { E.place = newtemp; emit(E.place ":=" 0) } </pre>

Assume:

- variable **nextstat** holds the index (label) of the next TAC statement
- each call to emit increments the value of nextstat

$E \rightarrow id1 \text{ relop } id2$ { E.place = newtemp;
 emit("if" id1.place relop id2.place "goto" nextstat+3);
 emit(E.place ':=0');
 emit('goto' nextstat+2);
 emit(E.place ':=1') }

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$E \rightarrow id1 \text{ relop } id2$ { $E.place := newtemp$;
emit("if" id1.place relop id2.place "goto" nextstat+3);
emit($E.place := 0$);
emit('goto' nextstat+2);
emit($E.place := 1$) }

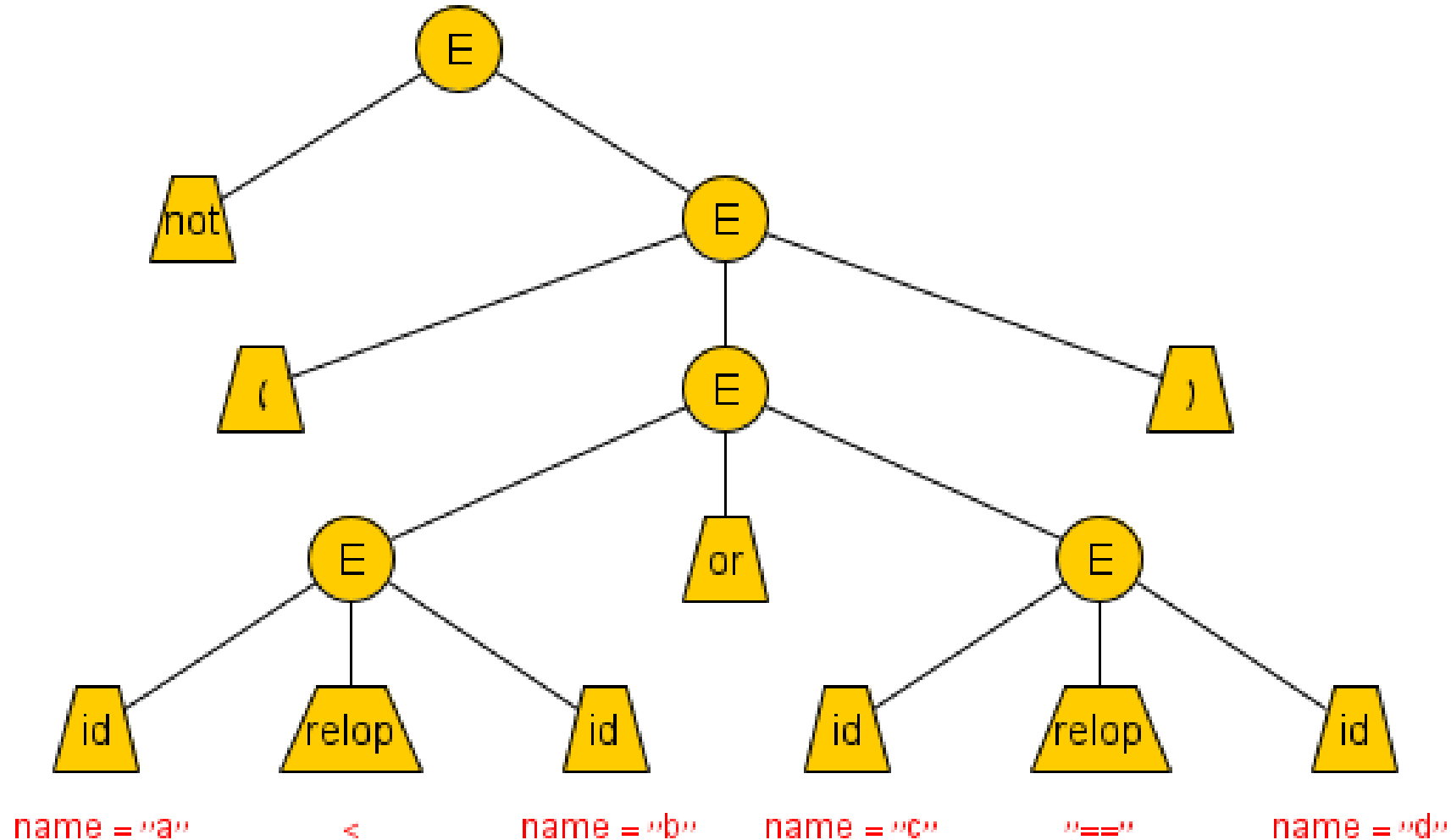
Assume:

id1.place = a
id2.place = b
E1.place = t17
E.place = t22
nextstat = 125 (at first)

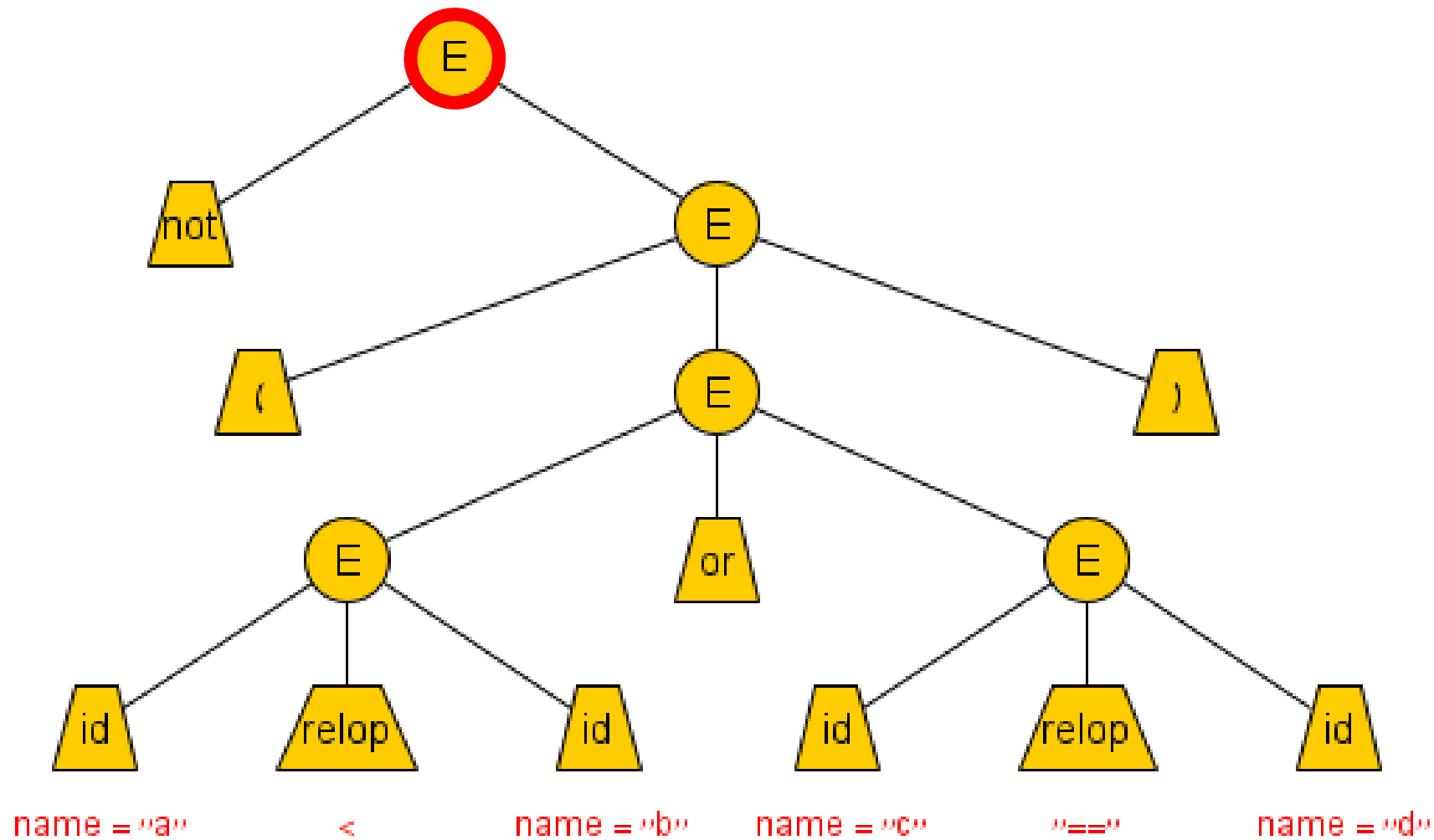
nextstat = 129

125:	if a <= b goto 128
126:	t22 := 0
127:	goto 129
128:	t22 := 1
129:	

Example: $\text{not}(a < b \text{ or } c == d)$



$E \rightarrow \text{not } E1$

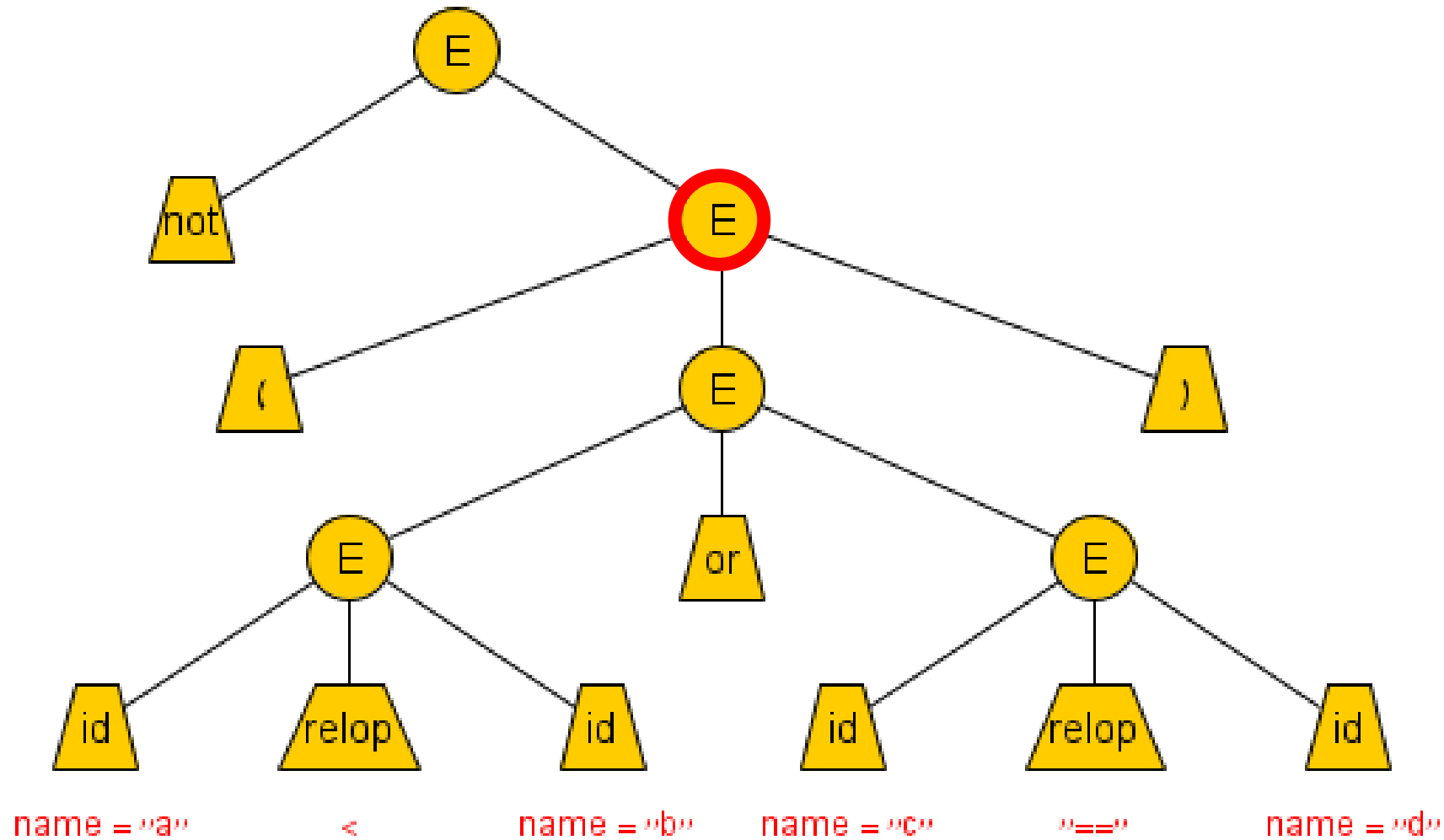


nextstat = 1

nexttemp = 1



$E \rightarrow (E1)$

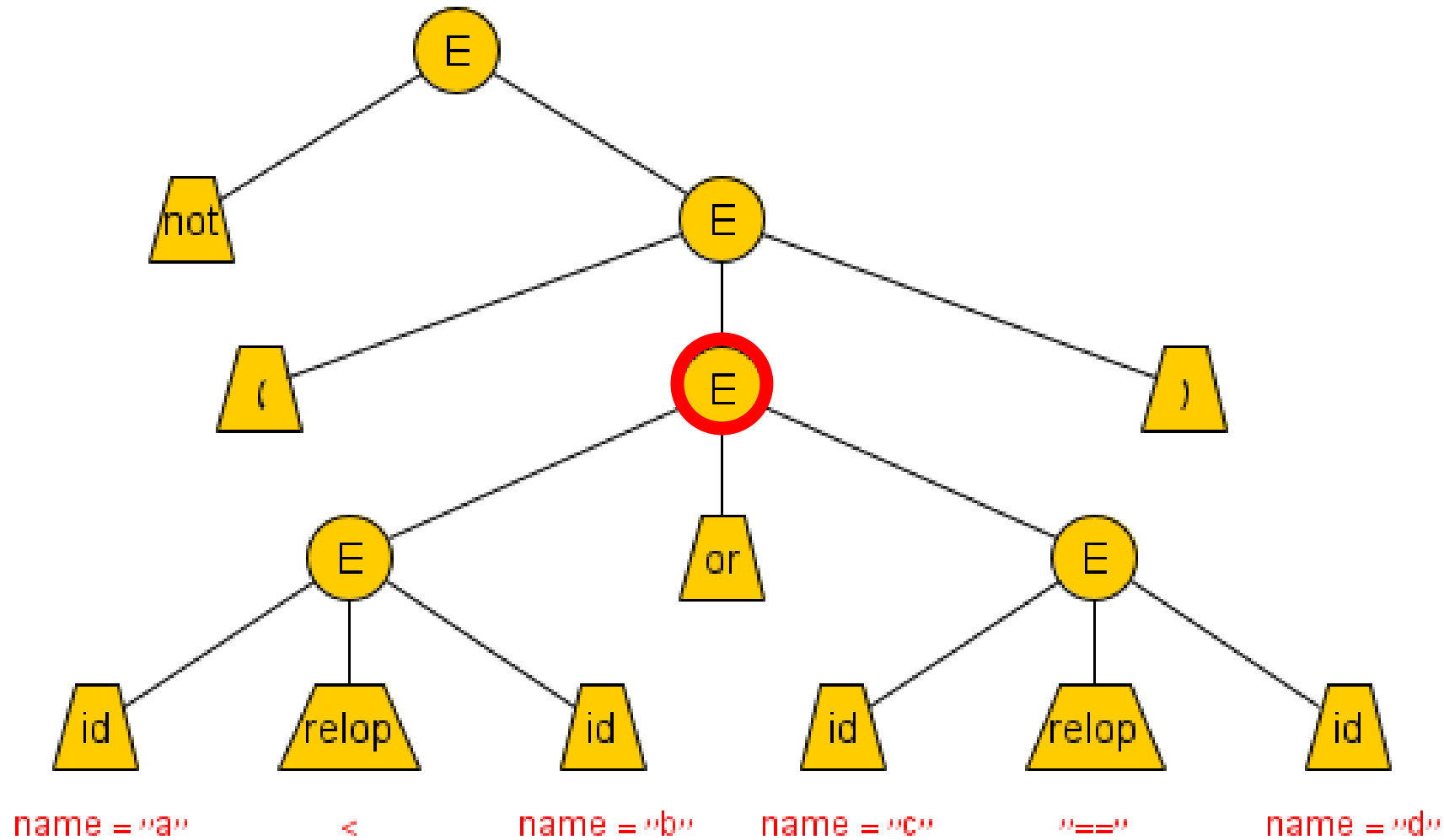


nextstat = 1

nexttemp = 1



$E \rightarrow E1 \text{ or } E2$

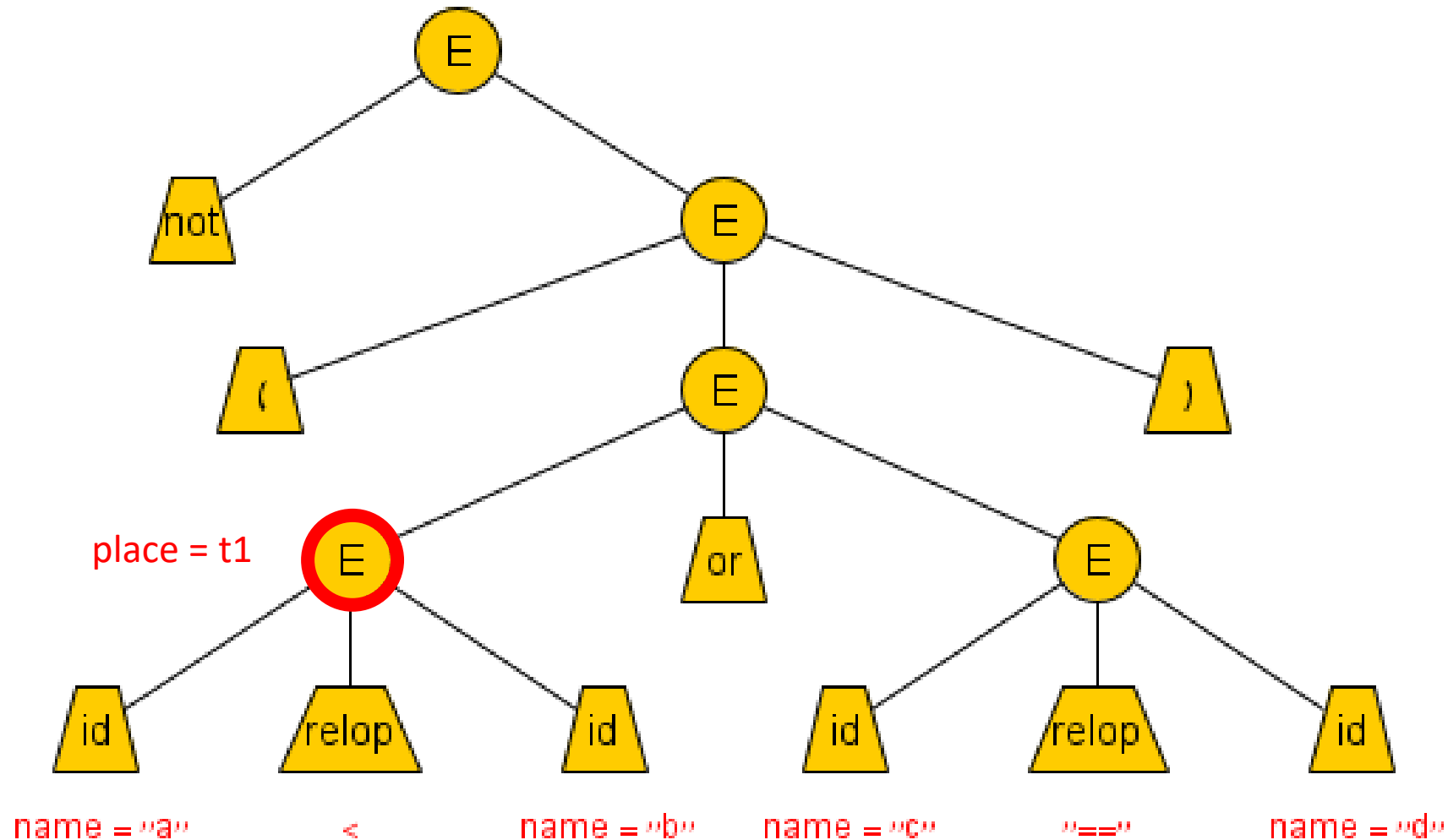


nextstat = 1

nexttemp = 1



$E \rightarrow id1 \text{ relop } id2$ { $E.place = \text{newtemp};$
 $\text{emit}(\text{"if" } id1.place \text{ relop } id2.place \text{ "goto" nextstat+3});$
 $\text{emit}(E.place \text{ ':=0'});$
 $\text{emit('goto' nextstat+2);}$
 $\text{emit}(E.place \text{ ':=1'})$ }



nextstat = 5

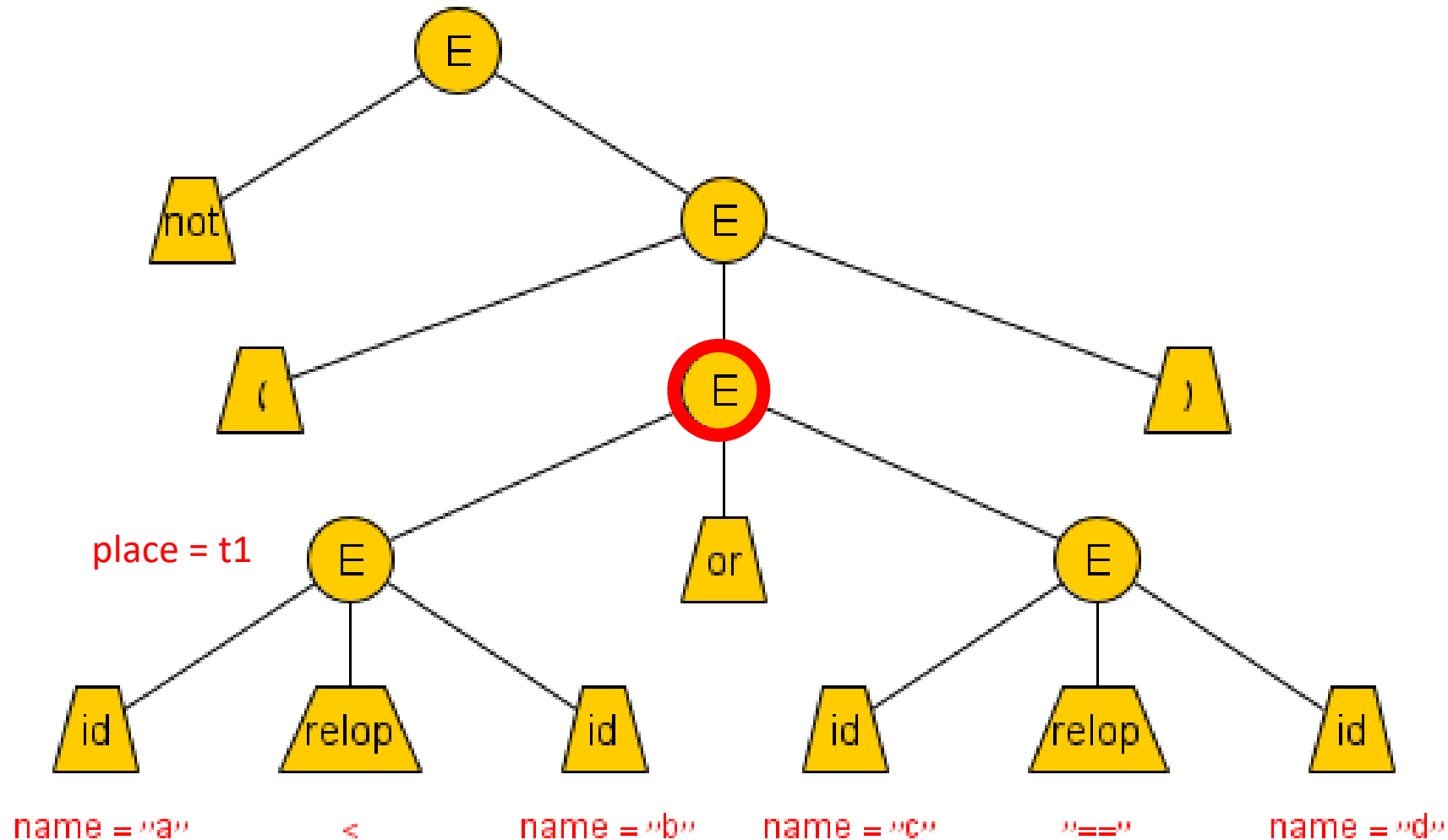
nexttemp = 2

```

1:  if a < b goto 4
2:  t1 := 0
3:  goto 5
4:  t1 := 1

```

$E \rightarrow E1 \text{ or } E2$

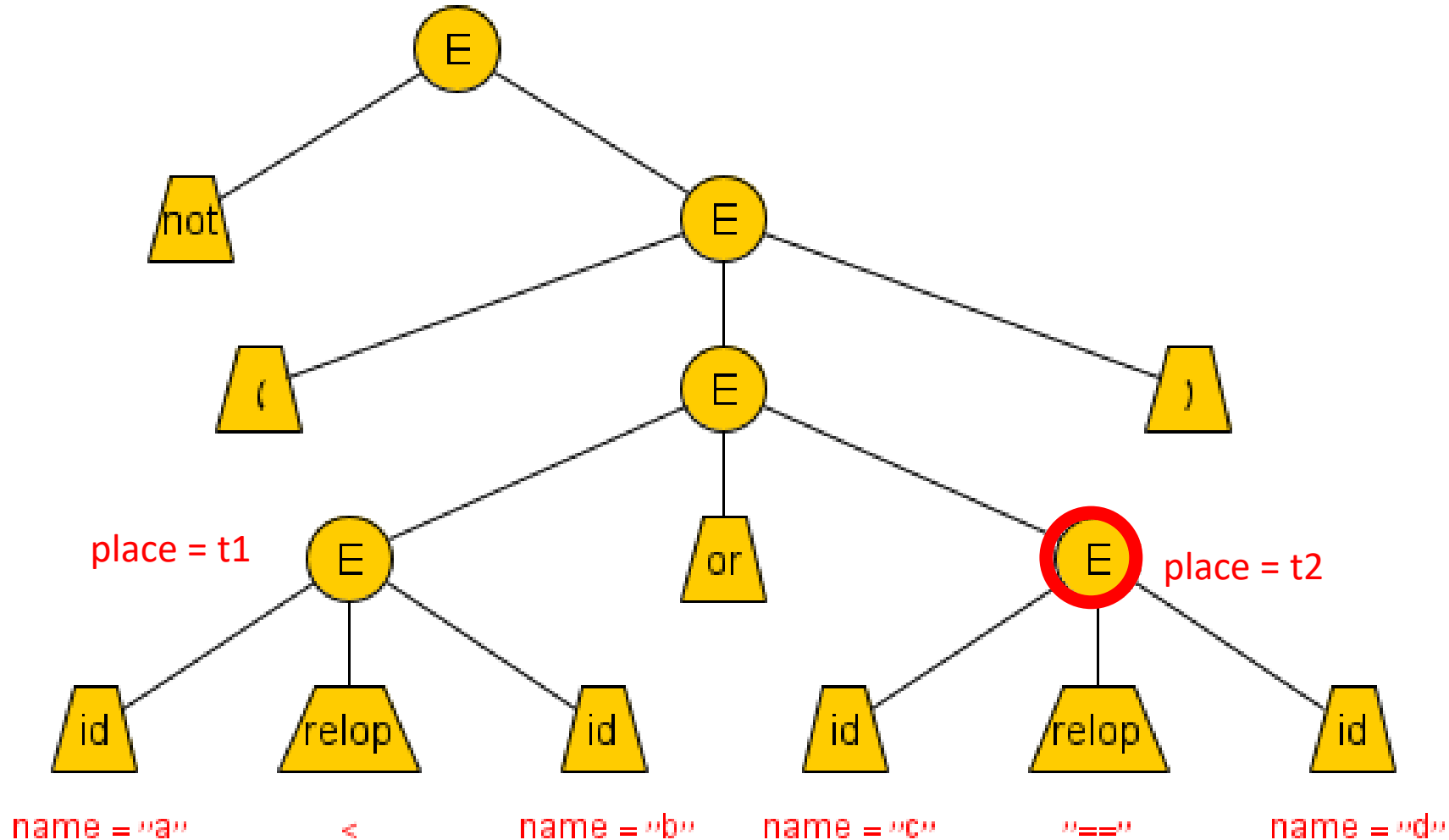


nextstat = 5

nexttemp = 2

```
1:  if a < b goto 4
2:  t1 := 0
3:  goto 5
4:  t1 := 1
```

$E \rightarrow id_1 \text{ relop } id_2$ { E.place = newtemp;
 emit("if" id1.place relop id2.place "goto" nextstat+3);
 emit(E.place ':='0');
 emit('goto' nextstat+2);
 emit(E.place ':='1') }



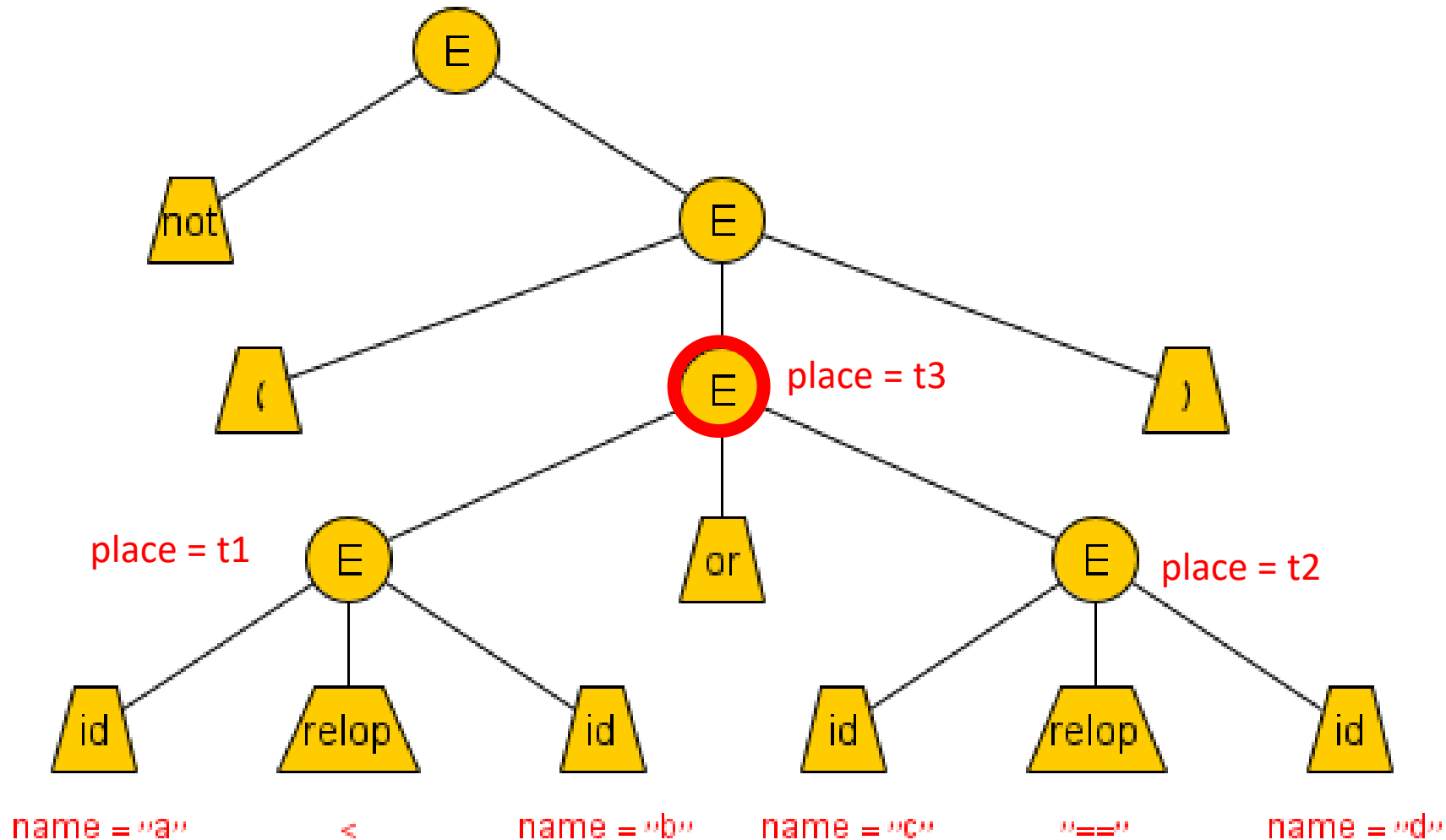
nextstat = 9

nexttemp = 3

- 1: if a < b goto 4
- 2: t1 := 0
- 3: goto 5
- 4: t1 := 1
- 5: if c == d goto 8
- 6: t2 := 0
- 7: goto 9
- 8: t2 := 1

$E \rightarrow E1 \text{ or } E2$

$\{ E.\text{place} = \text{newtemp};$
 $\text{emit}(E.\text{place} \text{ ":=" } E1.\text{place} \text{ "or" } E2.\text{place}) \}$



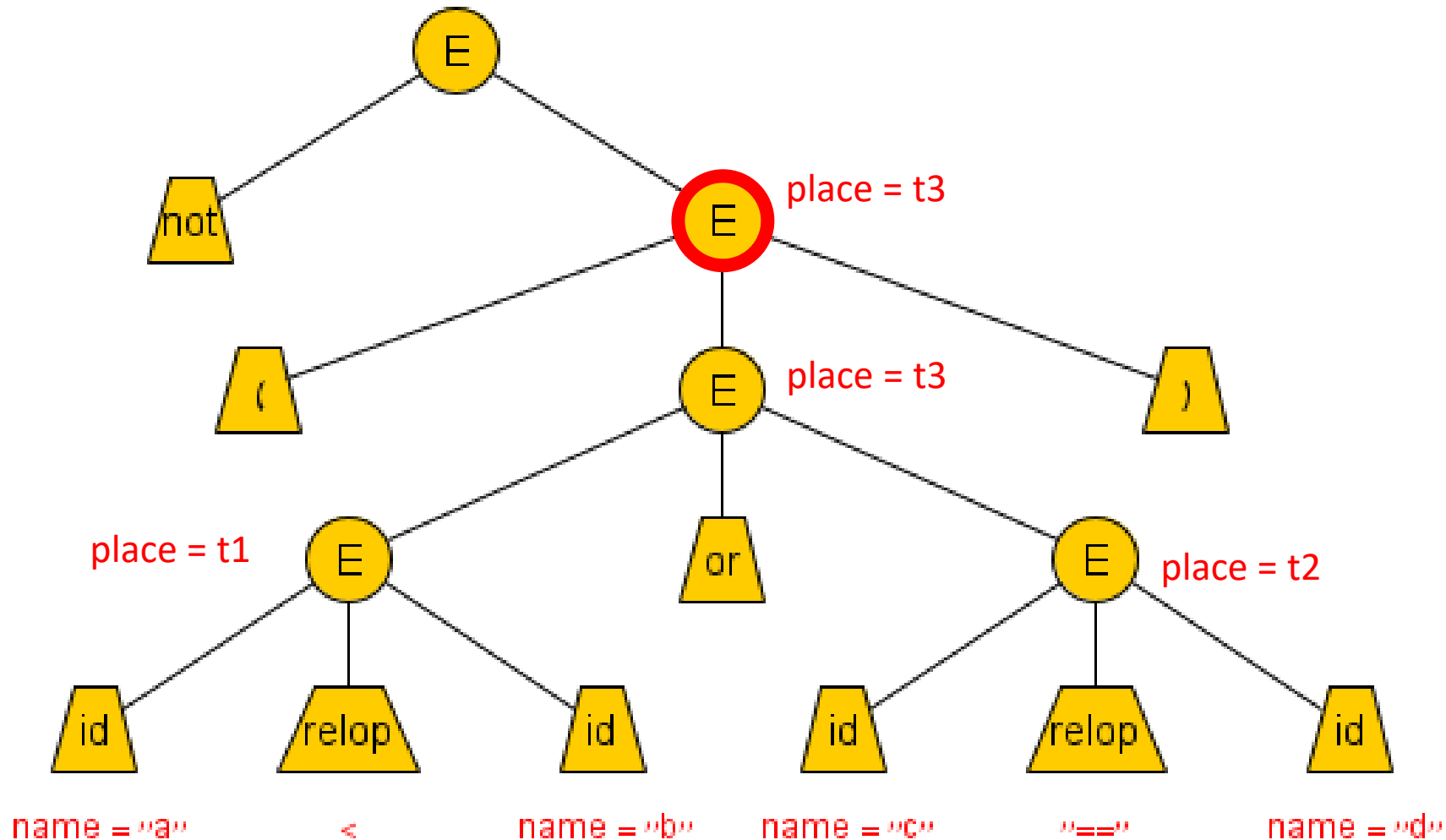
nextstat = 10

nexttemp = 4

```
1:  if a < b goto 4
2:  t1 := 0
3:  goto 5
4:  t1 := 1
5:  if c == d goto 8
6:  t2 := 0
7:  goto 9
8:  t2 := 1
9:  t3 := t1 or t2
```


$E \rightarrow (E1)$

$\{ E.place = E1.place \}$



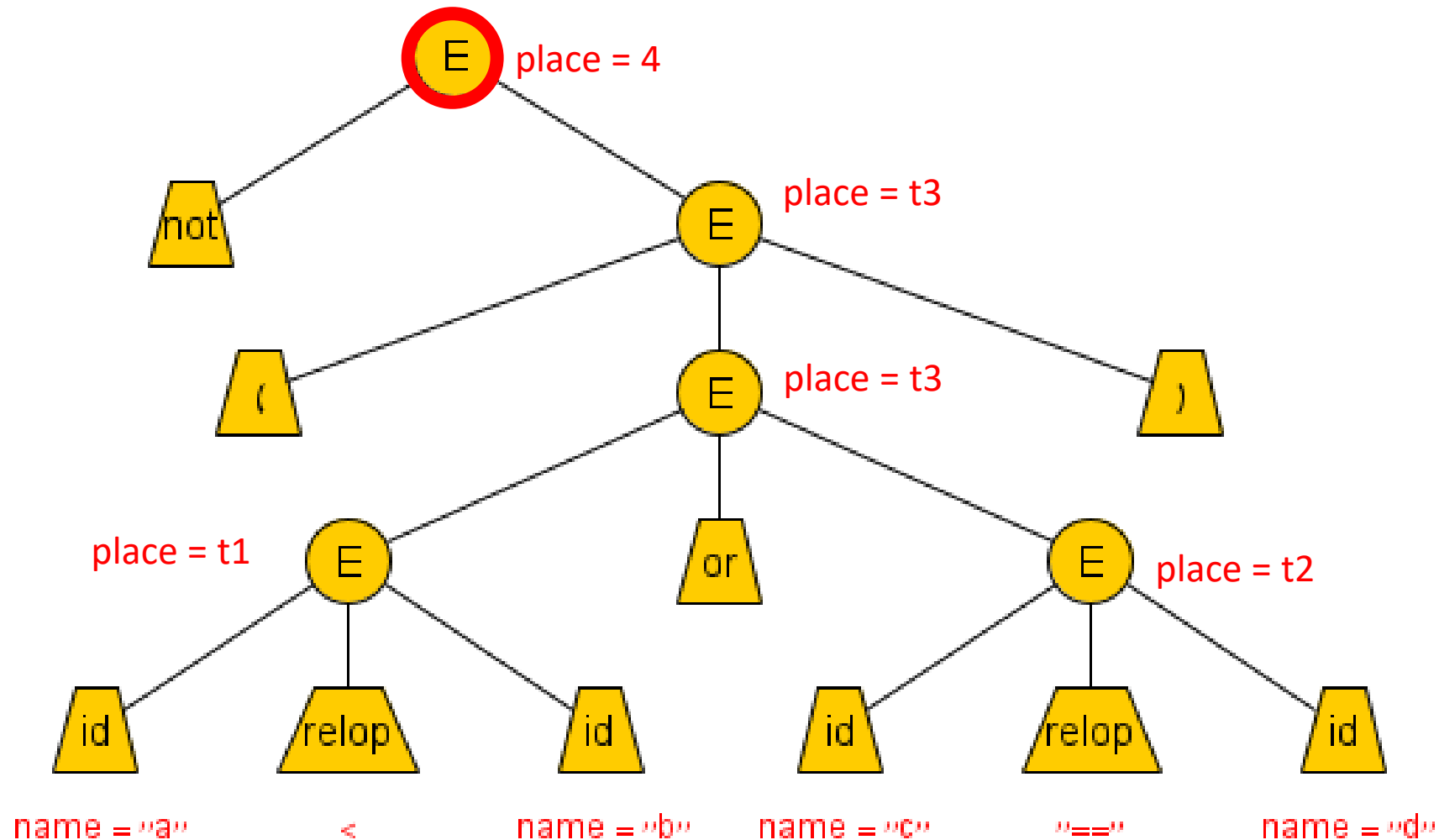
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nexttemp = 4

```
1:  if a < b goto 4
2:  t1 := 0
3:  goto 5
4:  t1 := 1
5:  if c == d goto 8
6:  t2 := 0
7:  goto 9
8:  t2 := 1
9:  t3 := t1 or t2
```

$E \rightarrow \text{not } E1$

$\{ E.\text{place} = \text{newtemp};$
 $\text{emit}(E.\text{place} \text{ ":=" not" } E1.\text{place}) \}$



nextstat = 11

nexttemp = 5

```
1:  if a < b goto 4
2:  t1 := 0
3:  goto 5
4:  t1 := 1
5:  if c == d goto 8
6:  t2 := 0
7:  goto 9
8:  t2 := 1
9:  t3 := t1 or t2
10: t4 := not t3
```

Translation of Control statements

- Control statements : conditional and loops.

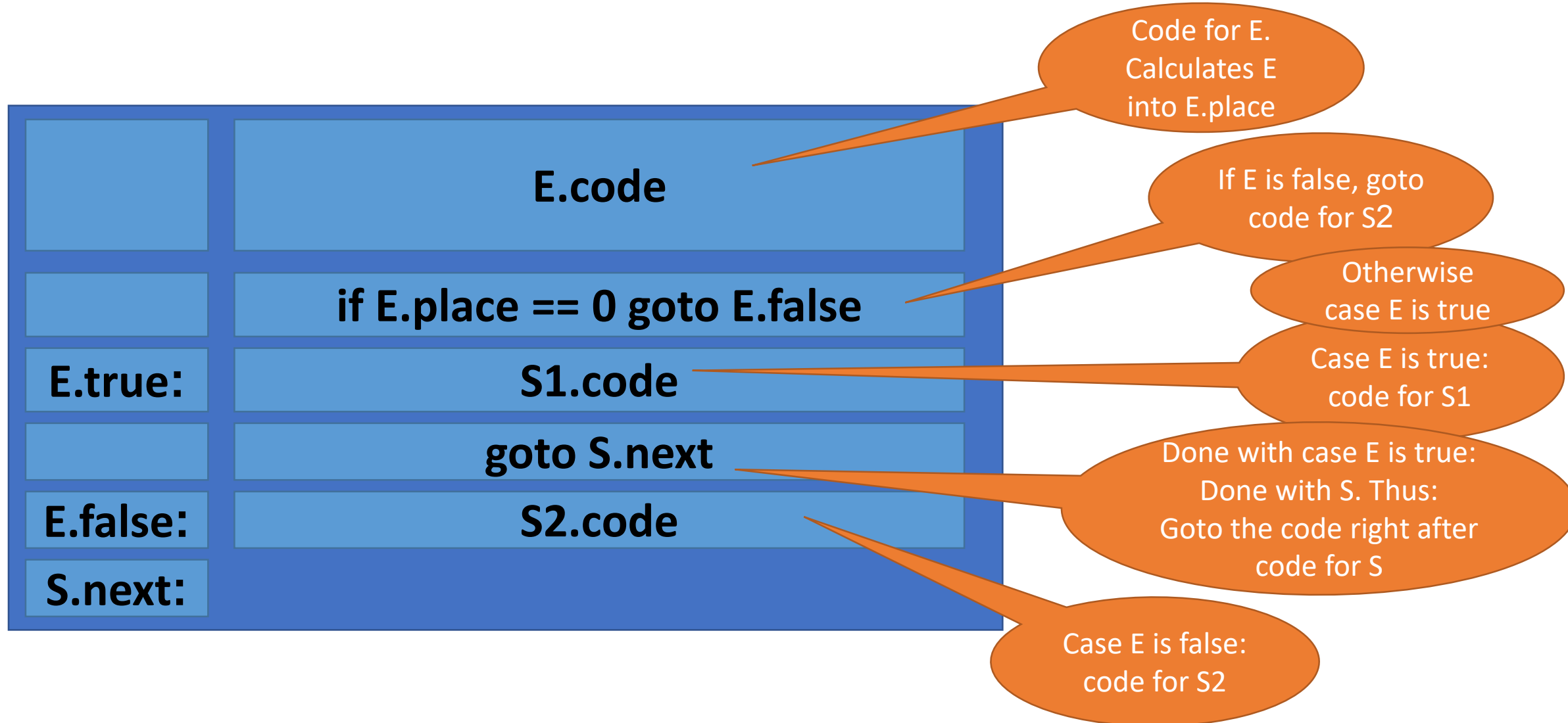
$S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } S1 \text{ else } S2$

$S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } S1$

$S \rightarrow \text{while } E \text{ do } S1$

- switch – case statement

if-then-else : $S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } S1 \text{ else } S2$



Required for if-then-else

- E.place
 - E.code
 - S.code
- } As before
- E.true – label for branching in case E is true.
 - E.false – label for branching in case E is false.
 - S.next – label of first command right after S.code. **Inherited attribute.**
 - *Newlabel* – function. Generates a new label

$S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } S1 \text{ else } S2$

```
S → if E then {S1.next = S.next;} S1
           else {S2.next = S.next;} S2
               { E.true = newlabel;
                 E.false = newlabel;
                 S.code =
                     E.code ||
                     "if" E.place " == 0 goto" E.false ||
                     E.true || ":" || S1.code ||
                     "goto" S.next ||
                     E.false || ":" || S2.code ||
                     S.next || ":"
               }
```

$S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } S1$

$S \rightarrow \text{if } E \text{ then } \{S1.\text{next} = S.\text{next};\} \quad S1$

$\{ E.\text{true} = \text{newlabel};$

$E.\text{false} = S.\text{next};$

$S.\text{code} =$

$E.\text{code} \mid \mid$

$\text{"if" } E.\text{place} \text{ " == 0 goto" } E.\text{false} \mid \mid$

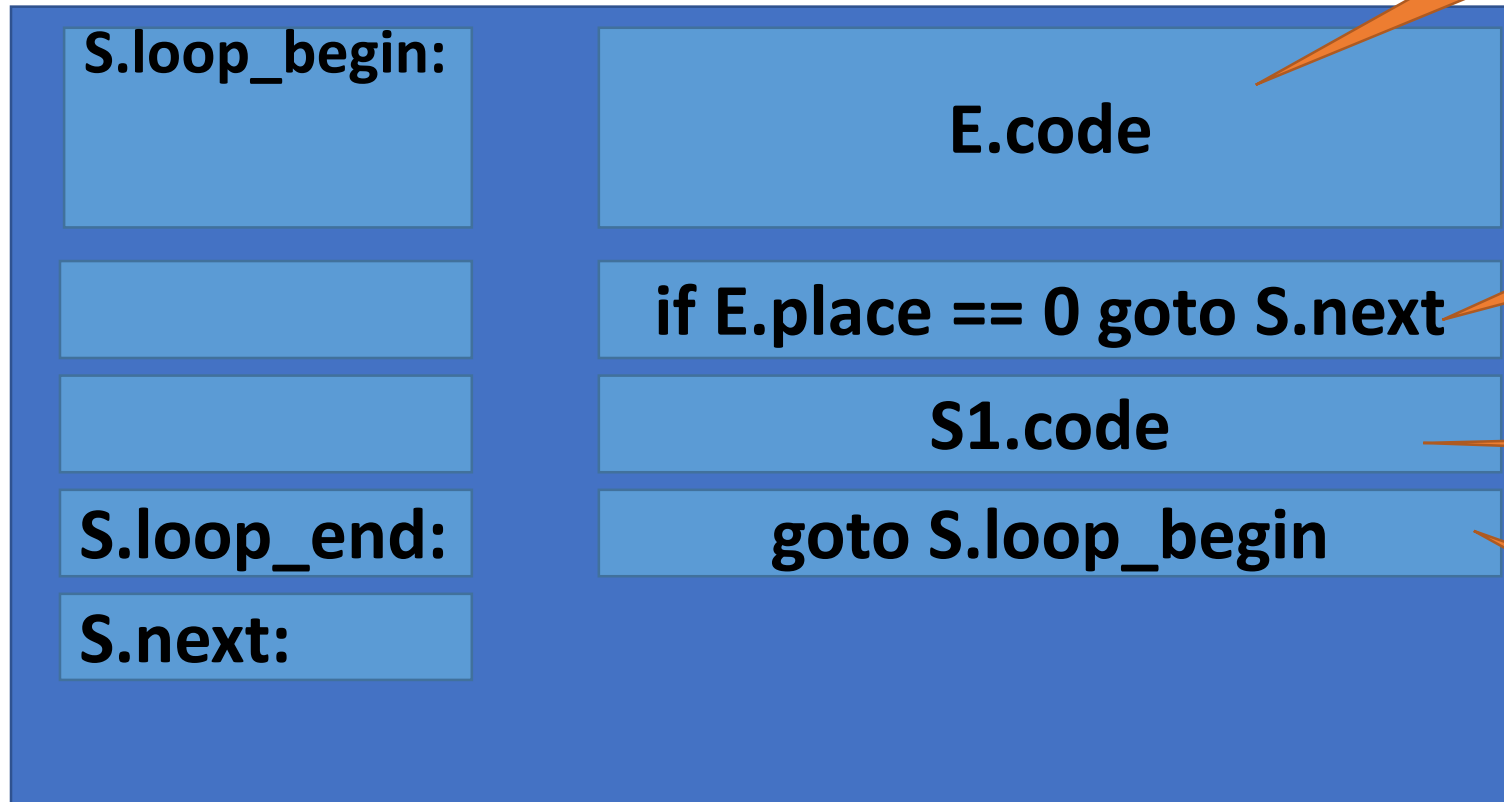
$E.\text{true} \mid \mid \text{" : " } \mid \mid S1.\text{code} \mid \mid$

$S.\text{next} \mid \mid \text{" : "}$

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Case E is false:
Done with if statement.
Goto the code right after
code for S

while : $S \rightarrow \text{while } E \text{ do } S1$



Code for E.
Calculats E
into E.place

If E is false,
done looping.
Goto the code right
after code for S

Otherwise:
loop

S1: loop's
body

Goto recalculating E:
goto loop_begin

Required for while-do

- E.place

- E.code

- S.code

- S.next

- *Newlabel*



As before

- S.loop_begin – label of first command of the loop (computation of E)

- S.loop_end – label of last command of the loop (goto back to loop's start)

$S \rightarrow \text{while } E \text{ do } S1$

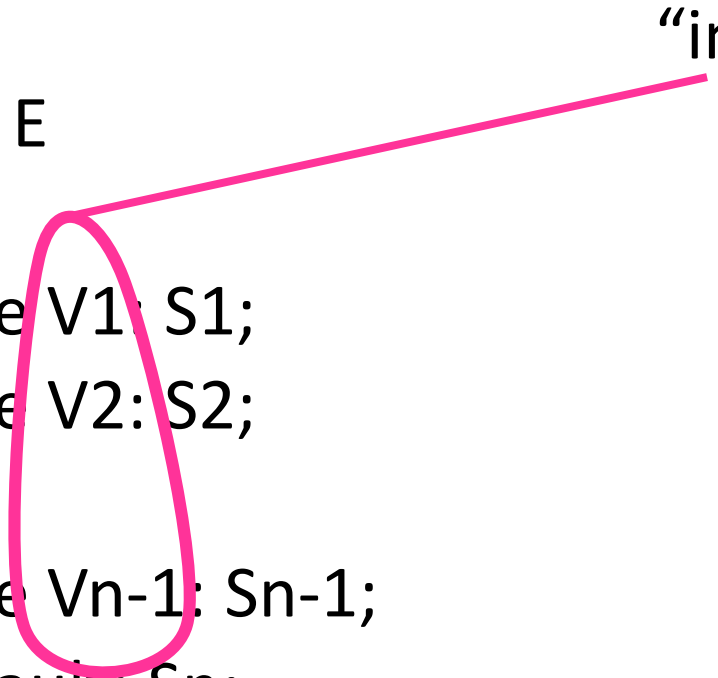
```
S → while E do    { S.loop_begin = newlabel;  
                   S.loop_end = newlabel;  
                   S1.next = S.loop_end }  
  
S1  
  
  { S.code =  
    S.loop_begin ':' || E.code ||  
    "if" E.place "==" 0 goto" S.next ||  
    S1.code ||  
    S.loop_end ": goto" || S.loop_begin ||  
    S.next || ":" }
```

switch – case statement

The basic switch statement is:

```
switch E
{
    case V1: S1;
    case V2: S2;
    ...
    case Vn-1: Sn-1;
    default: Sn;
}
```

“int_num”s



Solution 1

	E.Code
	if E.place != V1 goto L1
	S1.code
	goto S.next
L1:	if E.place != V2 goto L2
	S2.code
	goto S.next
L2:	if E.place != V3 goto L3
	S3.code
	goto S.next
Ln-1:	Sn.code
S.next:	

Solution 2

	E.Code
	goto TEST
L1:	S1.code
	goto S.next
L2:	S2.code
	goto S.next
Ln:	Sn.code
	Goto S.next
TEST:	if E.place==V1 goto L1
	if E.place==V2 goto L2
S.next:	