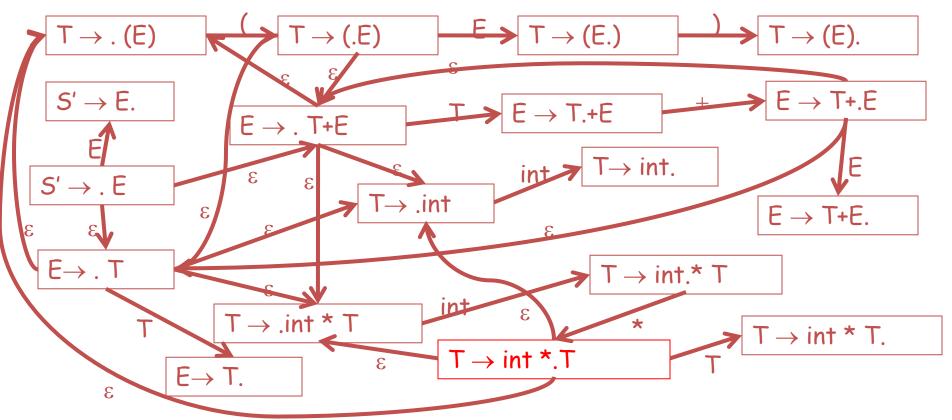
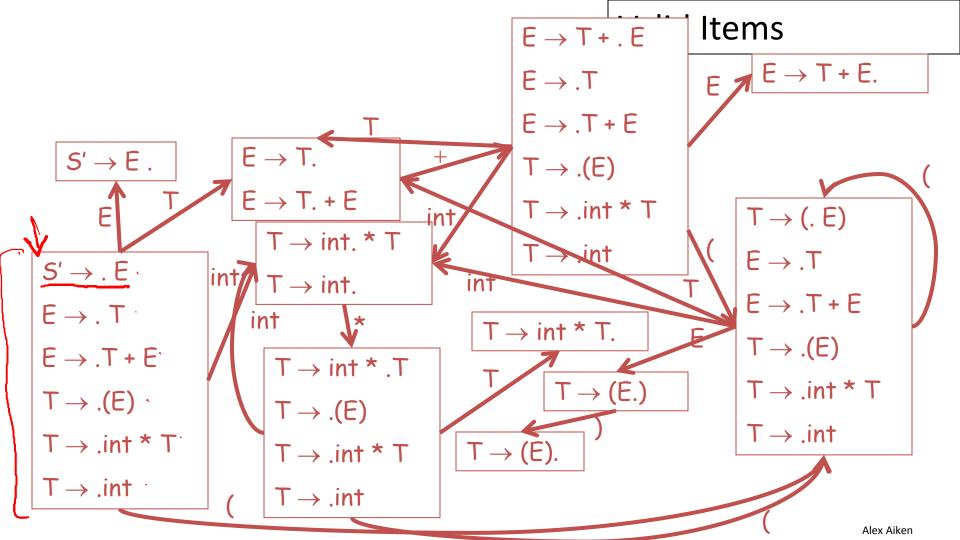


# Compilers

Valid Items





The states of the DFA are

"canonical collections of items"

or

"canonical collections of LR(0) items"

The Dragon book gives another way of constructing LR(0) items

Item  $X \to \beta.\gamma$  is valid for a viable prefix  $\alpha\beta$  if

$$S' \to^* \underline{\alpha X \omega} \to \underline{\alpha \beta \gamma \omega}$$

by a right-most derivation

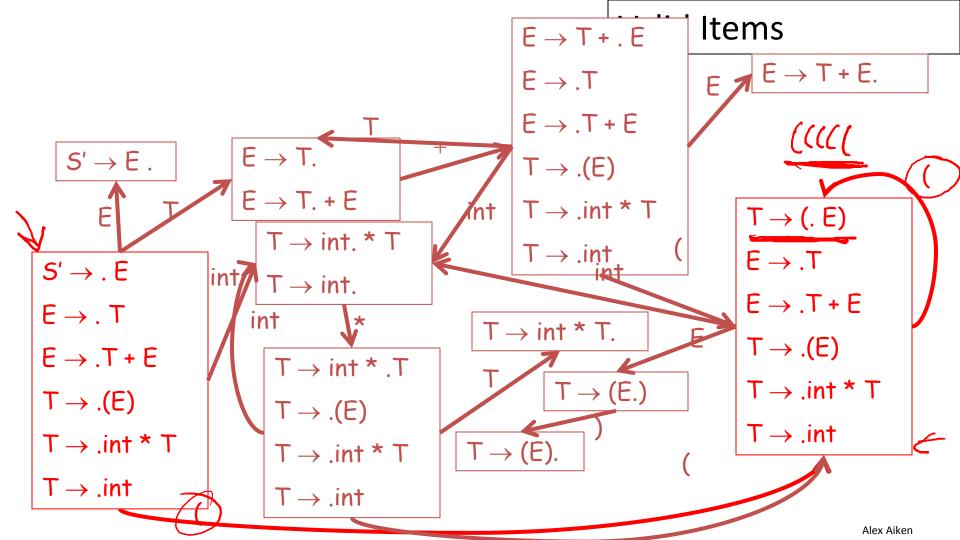
After parsing  $\alpha\beta$ , the valid items are the possible tops of the stack of items

An item I is valid for a viable prefix  $\alpha$  if the DFA recognizing viable prefixes terminates on input  $\alpha$  in a state s containing I

The items in s describe what the top of the item stack might be after reading input  $\alpha$ 

An item is often valid for many prefixes

• Example: The item  $T \rightarrow (.E)$  is valid for prefixes



$$\square$$
 E  $\rightarrow$  (.E)

$$\Box$$
 T  $\rightarrow$  int \*.T

$$\Box$$
 E  $\rightarrow$  .T + E

$$\square$$
 T  $\rightarrow$  .int

To show the automaton, click "Hide Question"