

# CSE 311 Section 05

Regular Expressions,  
CFGs, FSMs, Relations

# Administrivia



# Announcements & Reminders

- Homework 5 due @ 11:00 pm on Friday (2/27)
- Quiz 5 will be on Tuesday (3/3)
- Check your section participation grade on canvas
  - If it is different than what you expect, let your TA know

# Regular Expressions



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$\epsilon$  matches only the **empty string**

$a$  matches only the one-character string  $a$

$A \cup B$  matches all strings that either  $A$  matches or  $B$  matches (or both)

$AB$  matches all strings that have a first part that  $A$  matches followed by a second part that  $B$  matches

$A^*$  matches all strings that have any number of strings (even 0) that  $A$  matches, one after another ( $\epsilon \cup A \cup AA \cup AAA \cup \dots$ )

Definition of the *language*  
matched by a regular expression

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We will do (b) together, then work on c

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## base-10 numbers:

Our everyday numbers!  
Notice we have 10 symbols (0-9) to represent numbers.

$$256: (2 * 10^2) + (5 * 10^1) + (6 * 10^0)$$

## base-2 numbers: (binary)

$$10: (1 * 2^1) + (0 * 2^0)$$

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A context free grammar (CFG) is a finite set of production rules over:

- An alphabet  $\Sigma$  of “terminal symbols”
- A finite set  $V$  of “nonterminal symbols”
- A start symbol (one of the elements of  $V$ ) usually denoted  $S$

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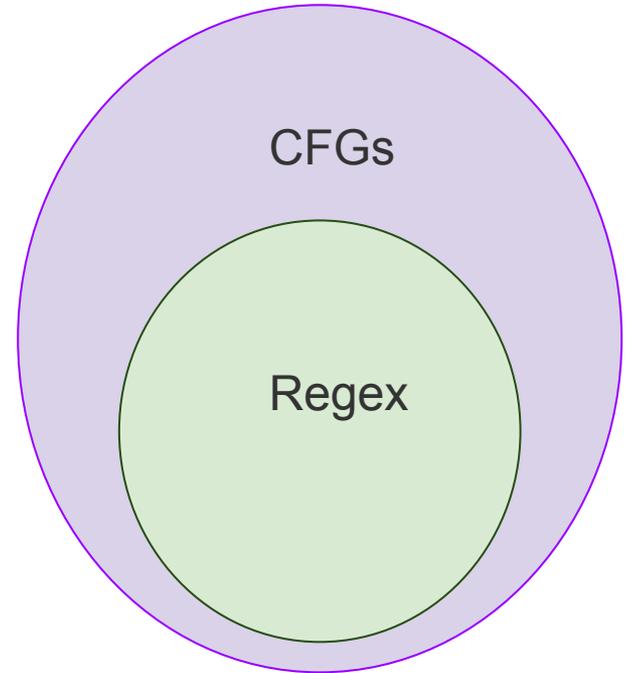
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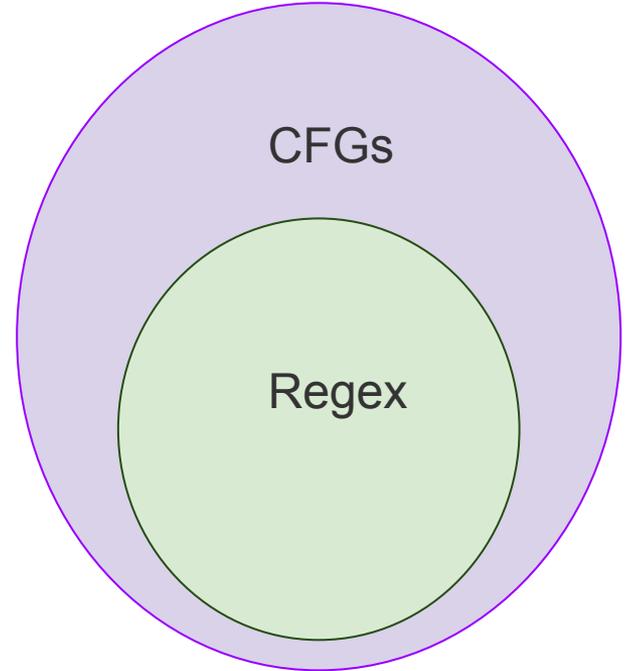
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CFG or Regex?

“equal number of 0’s and 1’s” (ex. 011010)



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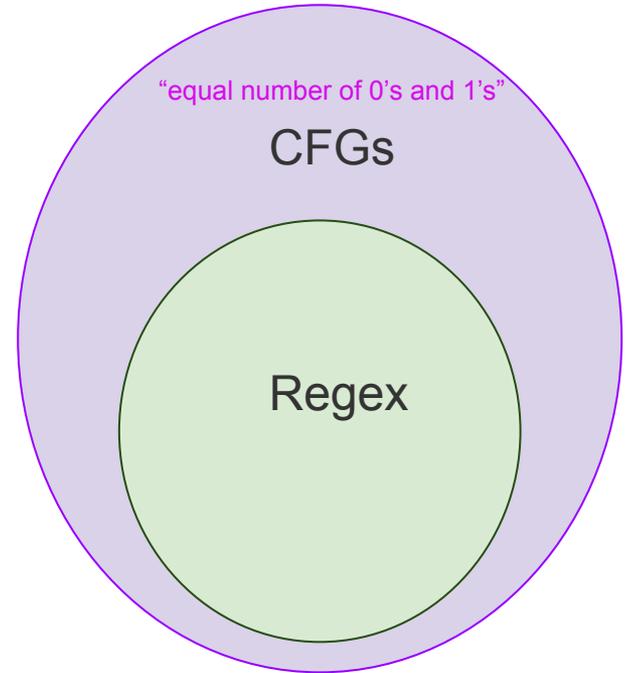
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Alternative solution:

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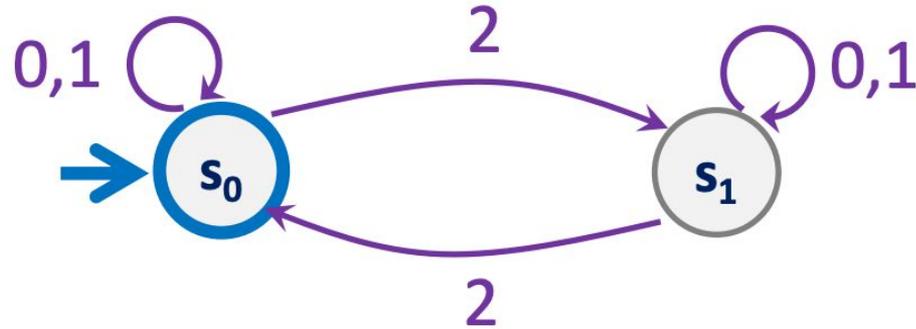
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- An FSA is a finite-state machine that accepts or rejects a given string of symbols, by running through a state sequence uniquely determined by the string.

## Strings with an even number of 2's



- An edge for every symbol in the language
- Every reject and accept state is handled

# Task 3 – FSM Design

Construct FSMs to recognize each of the following languages.

Let  $\Sigma = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ .

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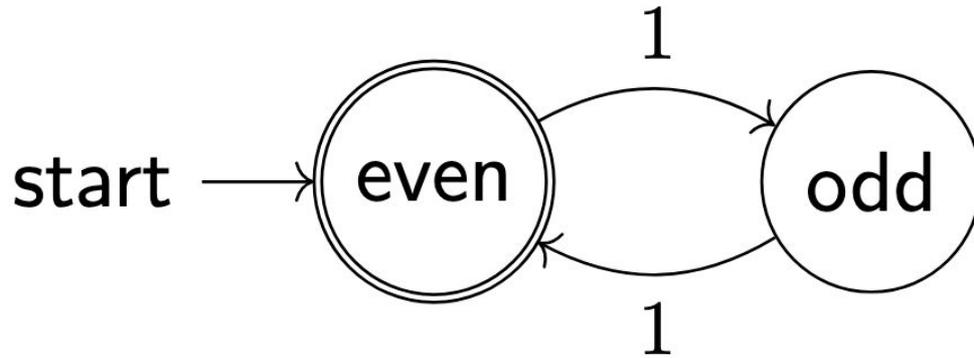
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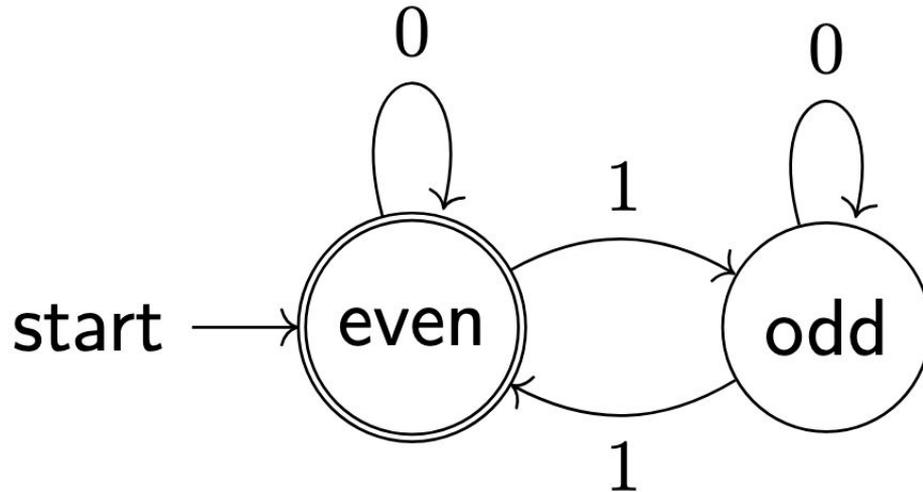


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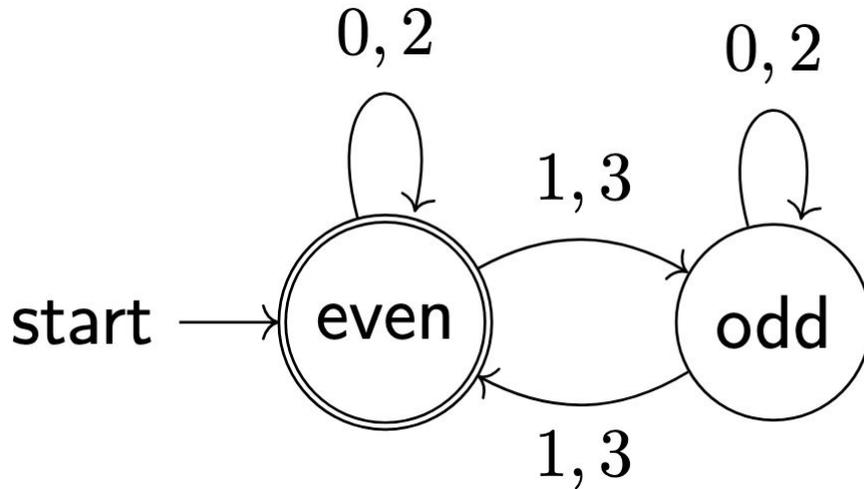


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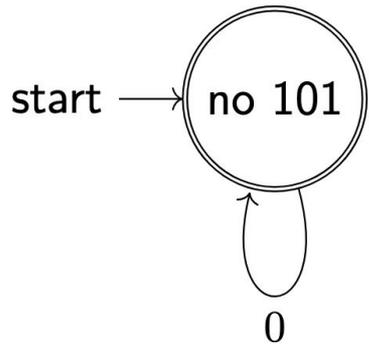
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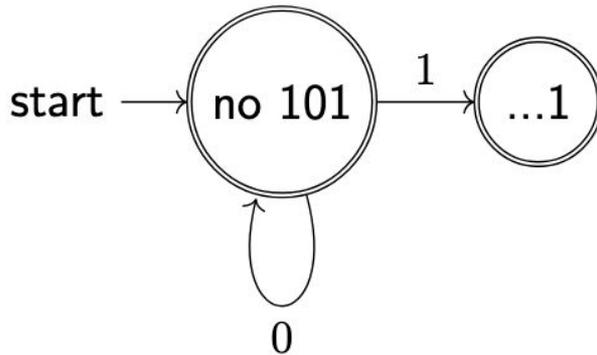


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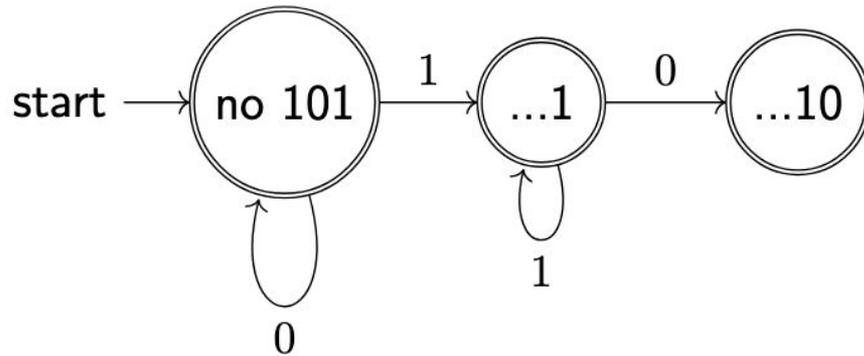


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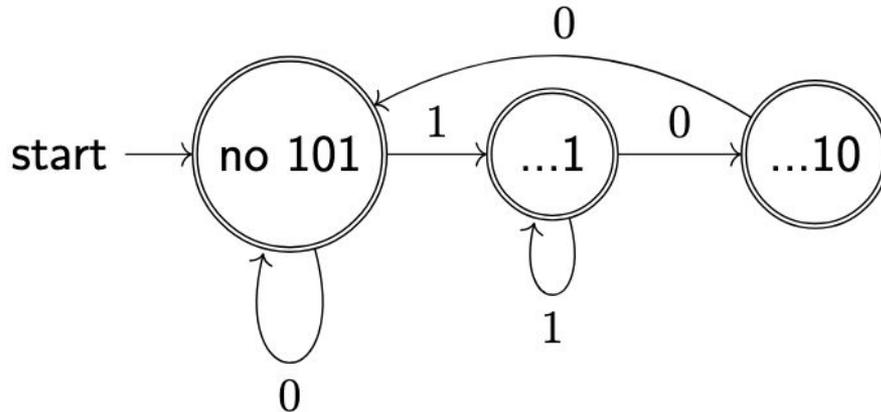


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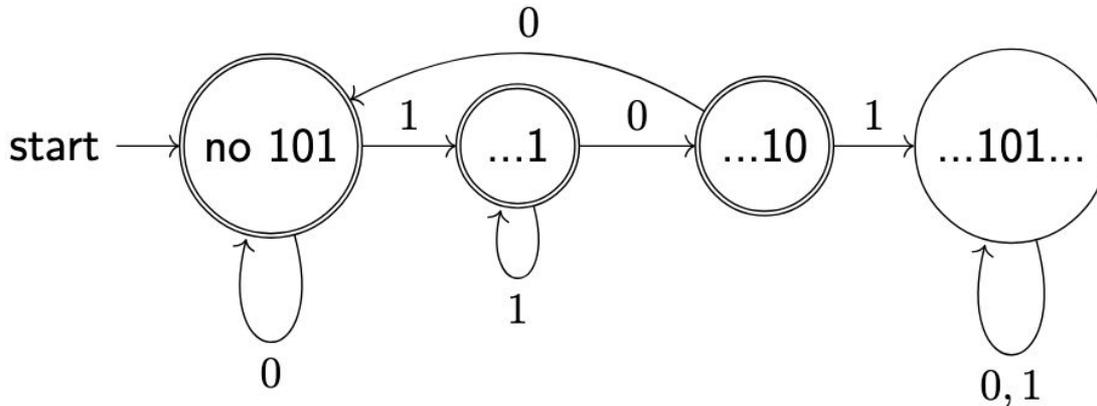


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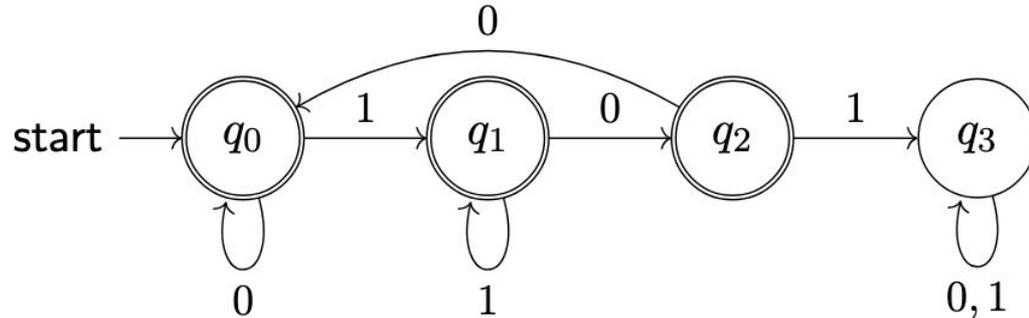


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Finished! Let's come up with better state descriptions.



$q_0$ :  $\epsilon$ , 0, and strings that don't contain 101 and end in 00

$q_1$ : strings that don't contain 101 and end in 1

$q_2$ : strings that don't contain 101 and end in 10

$q_3$ : strings that contain 101

# Relations



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R is **reflexive** iff  $(a,a) \in R$  for every  $a \in A$

R is **symmetric** iff  $(a,b) \in R$  implies  $(b,a) \in R$

R is **antisymmetric** iff  $(a,b) \in R$  and  $a \neq b$  implies  $(b,a) \notin R$

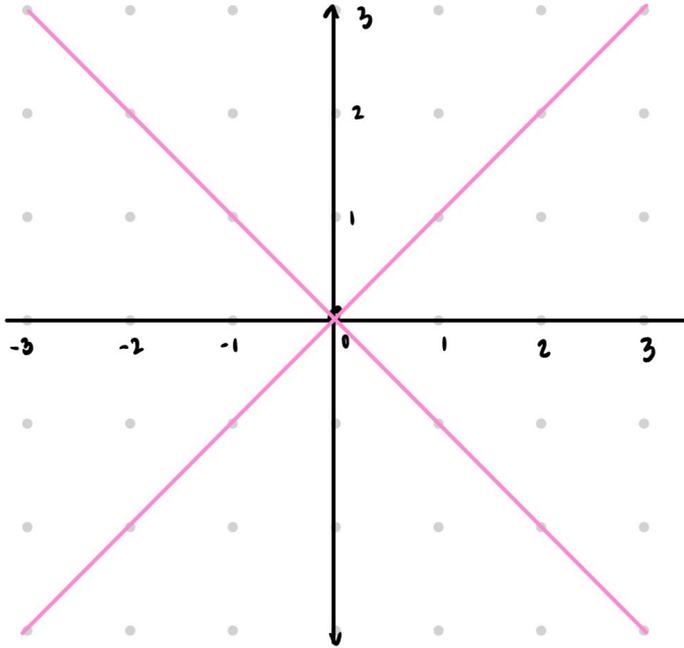
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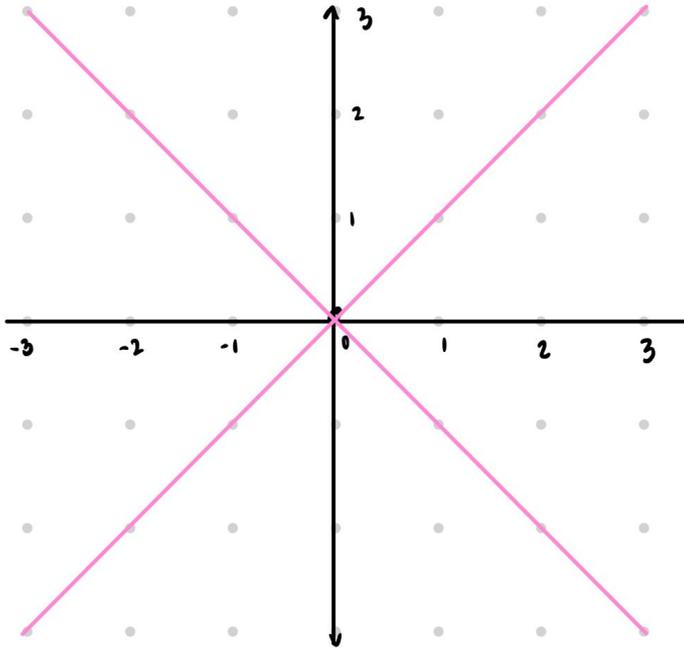
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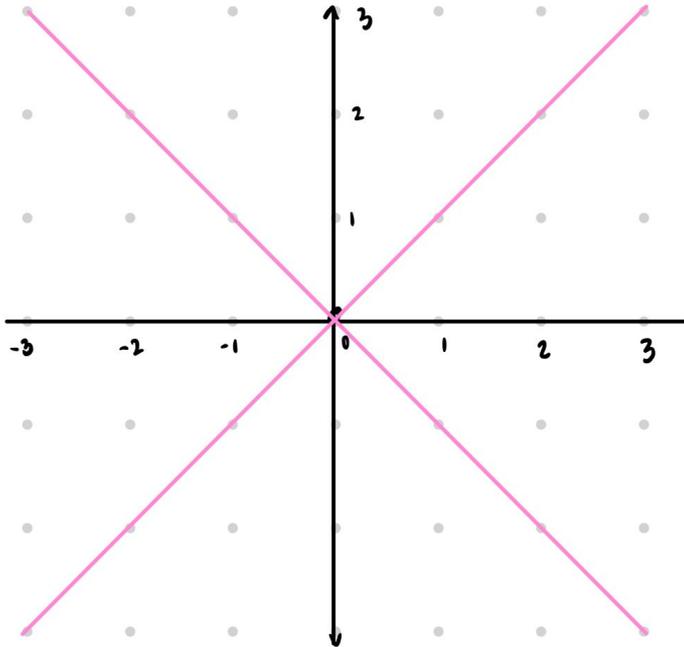
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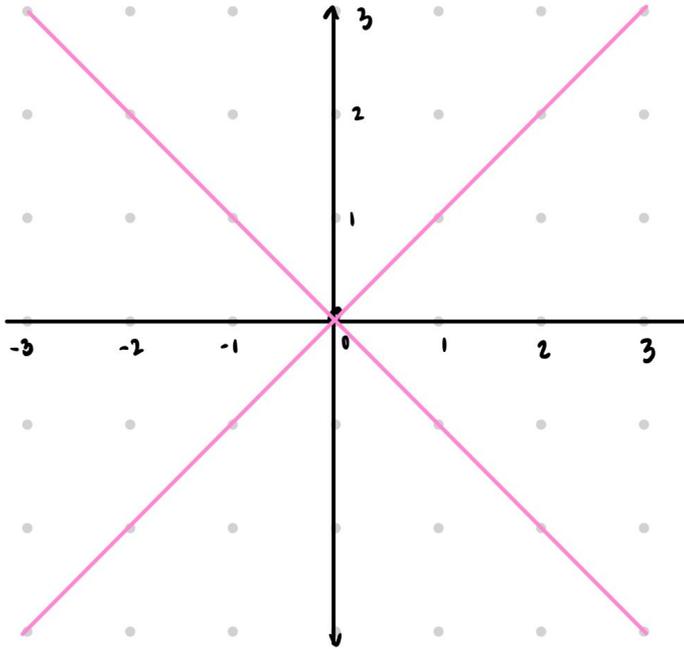


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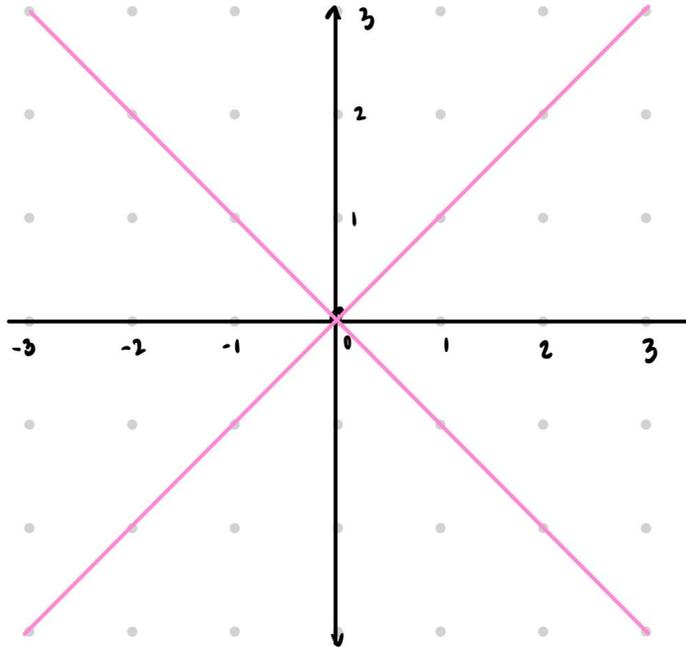
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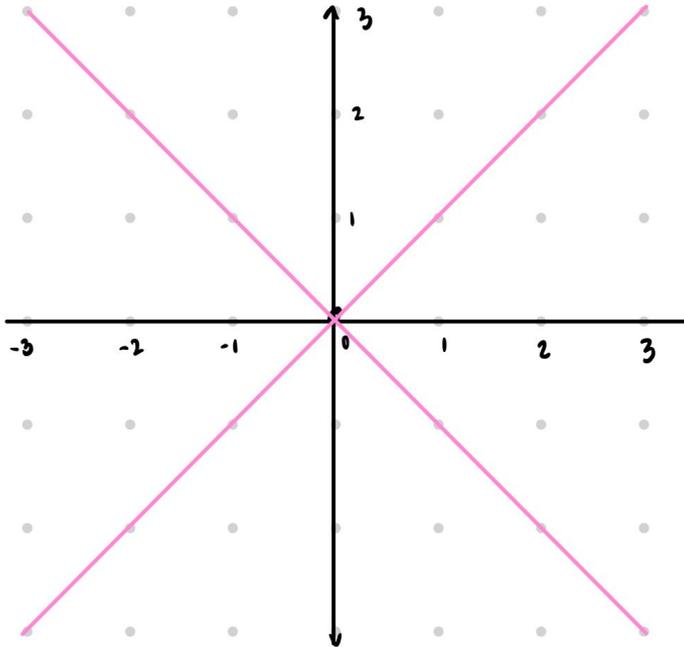


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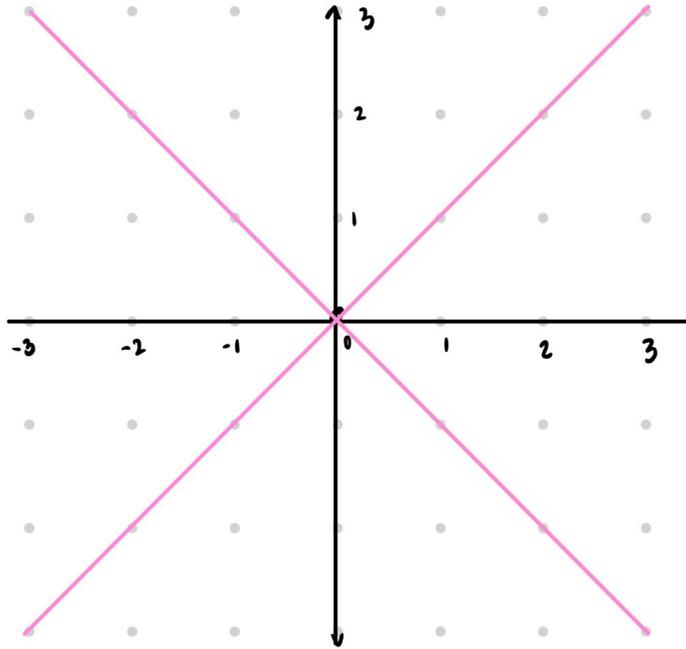
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The relation is not antisymmetric!

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reflexive, symmetric, not antisymmetric (counterexample:  $(-2, 2) \in R$  and  $(2, -2) \in R$  but  $2 \neq -2$ ), transitive

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No, for example,  $(3, 2)$  and  $(2, 1)$  are both in the relation ( $3=2+1$  and  $2=1+1$ ), but  $(3, 1)$  is not in the relation ( $3 \neq 1+1$ )

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not reflexive (counterexample:  $(1, 1) \notin R$ ), not symmetric (counterexample:  $(2, 1) \in R$  but  $(1, 2) \notin R$ ), antisymmetric, not transitive (counterexample:  $(3, 2) \in R$  and  $(2, 1) \in R$ , but  $(3, 1) \notin R$ )

# **That's All, Folks!**

**Thanks for coming to section this week!  
Any questions?**