#### Introduction to Math for Political Scientists

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But addition and subtraction have some cool (grool?) rules

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Or I could just do



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