

# 01 Problem: Compare Two Dates and Validate

## Description:

Write a Python function that takes two date strings in the format "DD/MM/YYYY", validates them, and compares the two dates. The function should return:

- **-1** if the first date is earlier than the second.
- **+1** if the second date is earlier than the first.
- **0** if both dates are the same.

Both date inputs must be valid and not exceed the current date, October 26, 2024.

## Function Signature:

```
def compare_dates(date1: str, date2: str) -> int:
```

## Input:

- **date1**: A string representing the first date in the format "DD/MM/YYYY".
- **date2**: A string representing the second date in the format "DD/MM/YYYY".

## Output:

- An integer value:
  - **-1** if the first date is earlier than the second.
  - **+1** if the second date is earlier than the first.
  - **0** if both dates are the same.

## Constraints:

1. Both dates must be valid in the format "DD/MM/YYYY".
2. Leap years must be handled.
3. Both dates must be on or before **October 26, 2024**.
4. The function should account for invalid dates (e.g., February 30).

## Example 1:

### Input:

```
date1 = "15/08/2022"
```

```
date2 = "26/10/2024"
```

**Output:**

-1

**Explanation:** August 15, 2022, is earlier than October 26, 2024.

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**Example 2:**

**Input:**

```
date1 = "26/10/2024"  
date2 = "26/10/2024"
```

**Output:**

0

**Explanation:** Both dates are the same.

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**Example 3:**

**Input:**

```
date1 = "26/10/2024"  
date2 = "25/10/2024"
```

**Output:**

1

**Explanation:** October 26, 2024, is later than October 25, 2024.

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**Example 4:****Input:**

```
date1 = "31/02/2024"  
date2 = "31/03/2024"
```

**Output:**

```
Invalid date 31/02/2024
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**Explanation:** February never contains 31 days