**10. Regular Expression Matching**

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Given an input string (s) and a pattern (p), implement regular expression matching with support for '.' and '\*' where:

* '.' Matches any single character.​​​​
* '\*' Matches zero or more of the preceding element.

The matching should cover the **entire** input string (not partial).

**Example 1:**

**Input:** s = "aa", p = "a"

**Output:** false

**Explanation:** "a" does not match the entire string "aa".

**Example 2:**

**Input:** s = "aa", p = "a\*"

**Output:** true

**Explanation:** '\*' means zero or more of the preceding element, 'a'. Therefore, by repeating 'a' once, it becomes "aa".

**Example 3:**

**Input:** s = "ab", p = ".\*"

**Output:** true

**Explanation:** ".\*" means "zero or more (\*) of any character (.)".

**Example 4:**

**Input:** s = "aab", p = "c\*a\*b"

**Output:** true

**Explanation:** c can be repeated 0 times, a can be repeated 1 time. Therefore, it matches "aab".

**Example 5:**

**Input:** s = "mississippi", p = "mis\*is\*p\*."

**Output:** false

**Constraints:**

* 0 <= s.length <= 20
* 0 <= p.length <= 30
* s contains only lowercase English letters.
* p contains only lowercase English letters, '.', and '\*'.
* It is guaranteed for each appearance of the character '\*', there will be a previous valid character to match.

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