

Hello, subgrid

@rachelandrew at Fronteers June 2019 meetup

CSS Grid Layout

Two years on.

So, what's next?

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Only **direct children**
become grid or flex items.

Their children return to normal flow.

The following content uses block and inline layout

Block elements extend to fill the container in the inline direction. They break onto a new line. Any inline elements such as a **span** do not break onto a new line.



Media Object

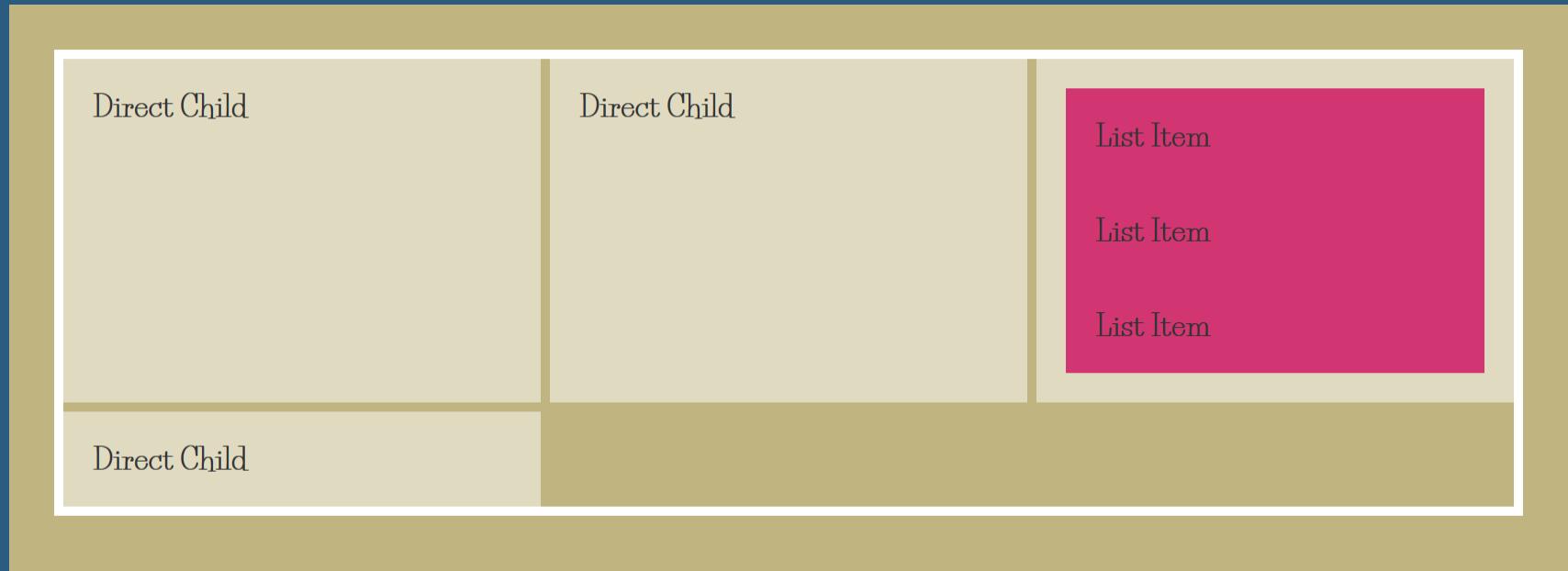
Content inside the flex item returns to normal flow layout.

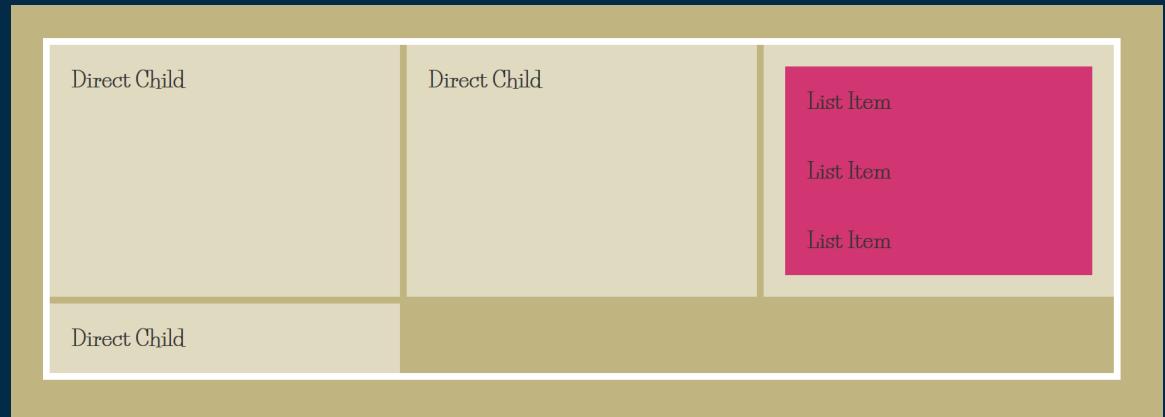
Unless you change the value of display, elements continue to display using these block and inline rules.



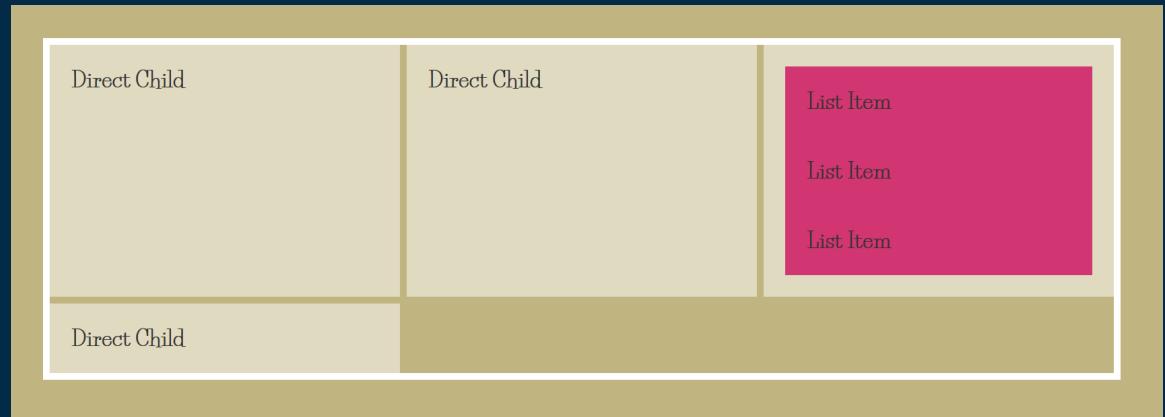
display: contents

Removing the box from the layout.

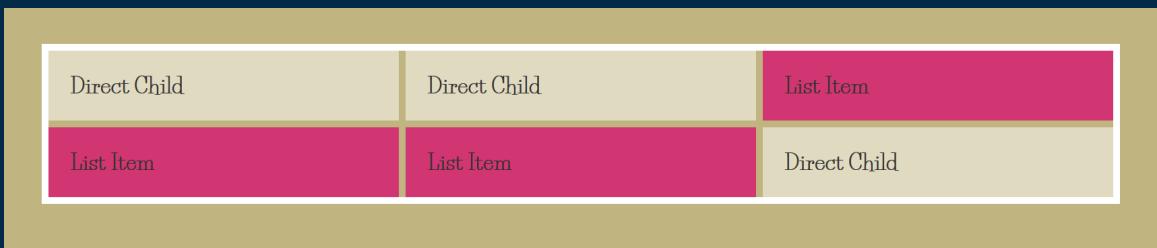




```
<!--HTML-->
<div class="grid">
  <div>Direct Child</div>
  <div>Direct Child</div>
  <ul>
    <li>List Item</li>
    <li>List Item</li>
    <li>List Item</li>
  </ul>
  <div>Direct Child</div>
</div>
```



```
/* CSS */  
.grid {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: repeat(3, 1fr);  
}  
  
.grid > * {  
  background-color: rgba(255,255,255,.5);  
}  
  
ul > * {  
  background-color: rgb(209,54,114);  
}  
  
ul {  
}  
}
```



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}  
  
ul {  
  display: contents;  
}
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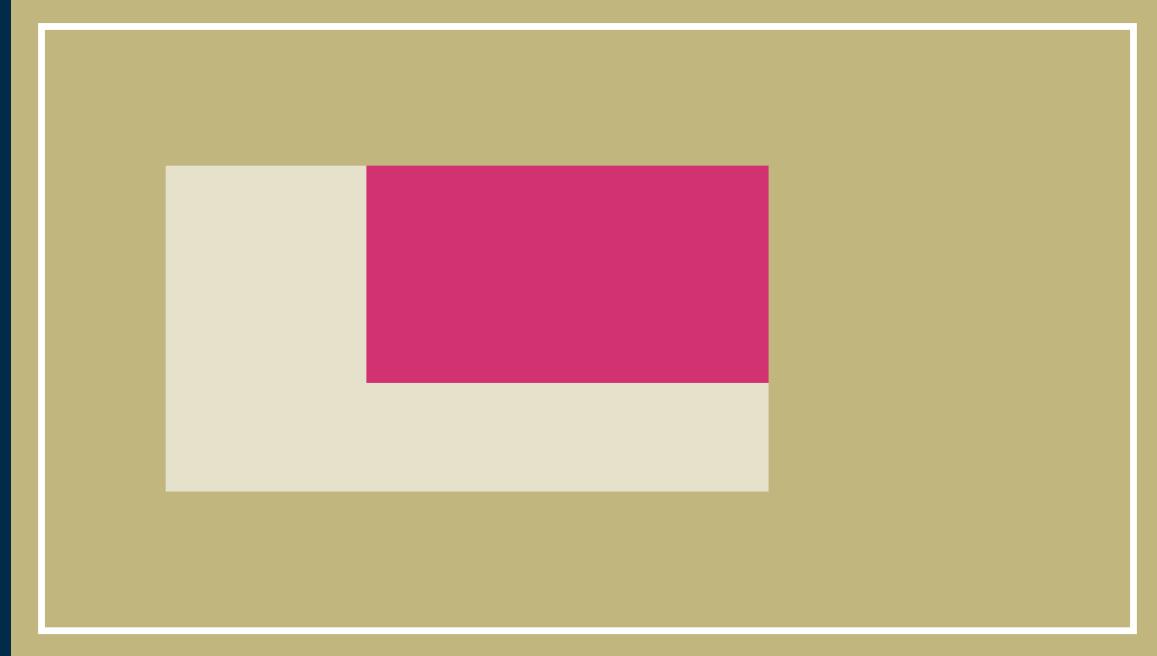
The screenshot shows a Microsoft Edge browser window with the following details:

- Title Bar:** "More accessible markup with d" (partially visible), "+" button, back/forward arrows, refresh, address bar showing "hiddedevries.nl (NL) https://hiddedevries.nl/en/blog/2018-04-21-more-accessible-markup-with-display-content", and a toolbar with various icons.
- Header:** A red navigation bar with the website name "hiddedevries.nl" in white. Below it is a white header with navigation links: "What I do", "About me", "Blog" (in red, indicating the current page), "Talks", and "Contact".
- Main Content:**
 - Section Header:** "More accessible markup with display: contents" in large, bold, dark font.
 - Text:** "Published on 21 April 2018 by Hidde de Vries in [code](#)".
 - Text:** "CSS Grid Layout lets you turn an element into a grid, and place the element's *direct children* onto it. Given that, it might be tempting to use flatter markup, but less meaning is usually less accessibility. With `display: contents`, we can place *grand children* on a grid, which lets us have accessible markup *and* beautiful layout. Let's dive into the details!"
 - Text:** "Below, I will explain in more detail what I mean by children and grand children, and then show how we can use `display: contents` to improve this. Note: this is currently broken in supporting browsers, more details below"
 - Section:** "Grid works on direct children"
 - Text:** "In Grid Layout, when a grid is defined on a given element, only direct children of that element become grid items and are layed out on it. To refresh for those not familiar with the syntax, let's look at an example and write a recipe. With this HTML:

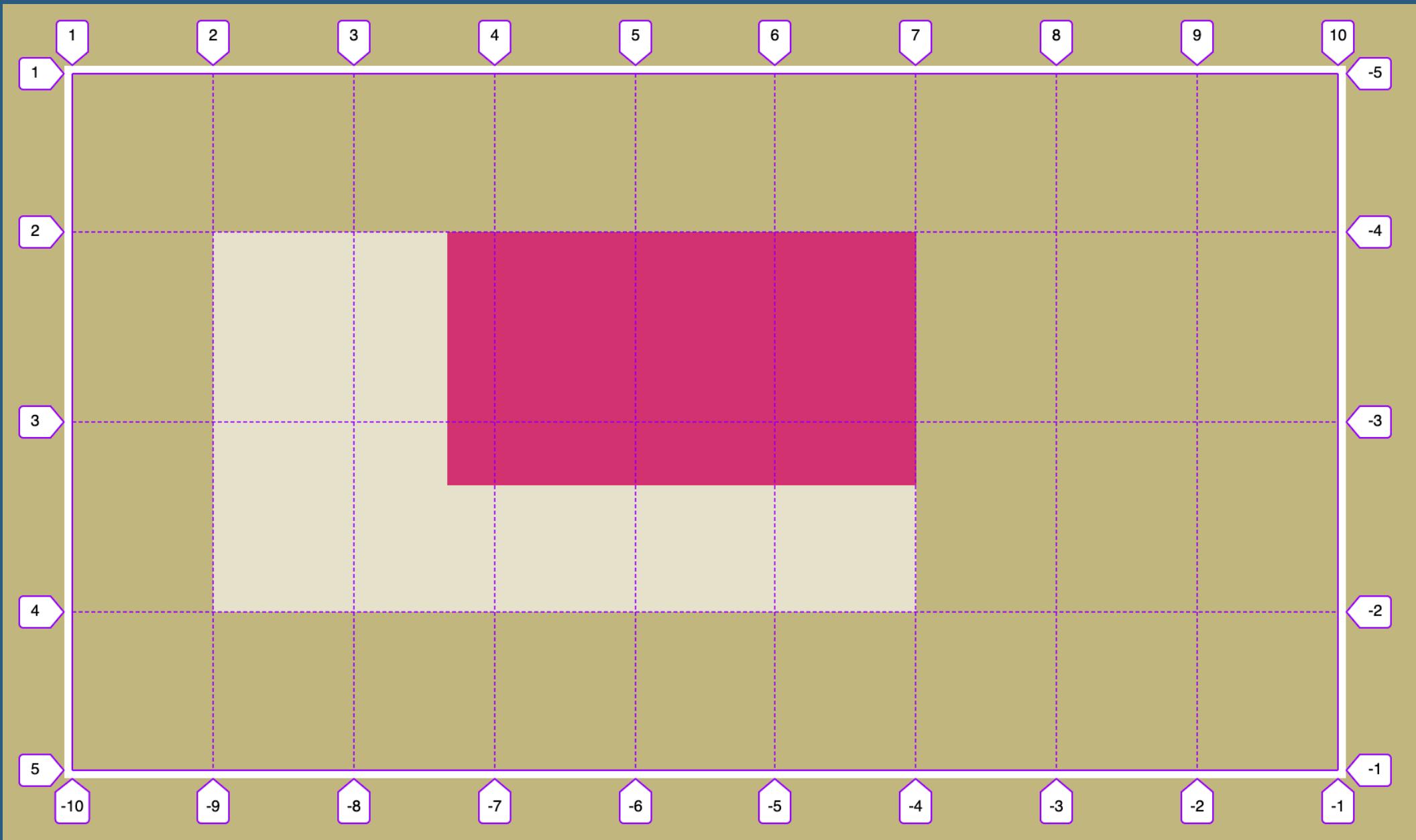


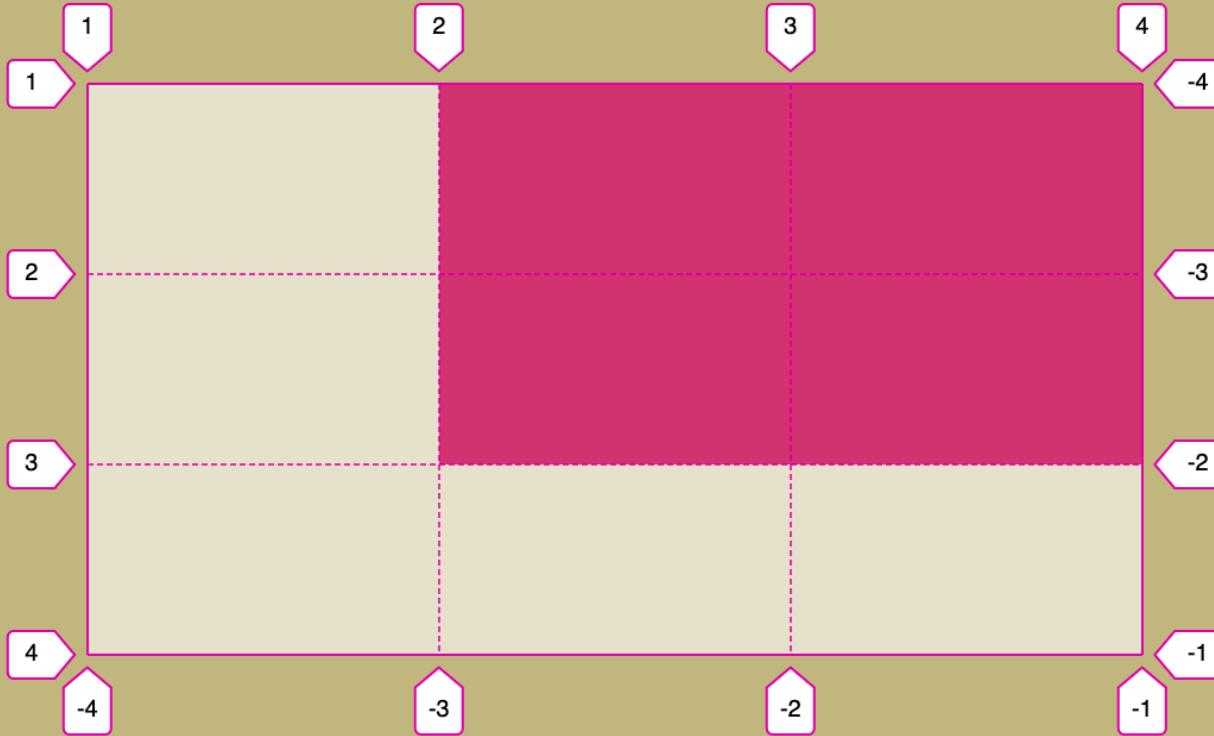
Subgrid

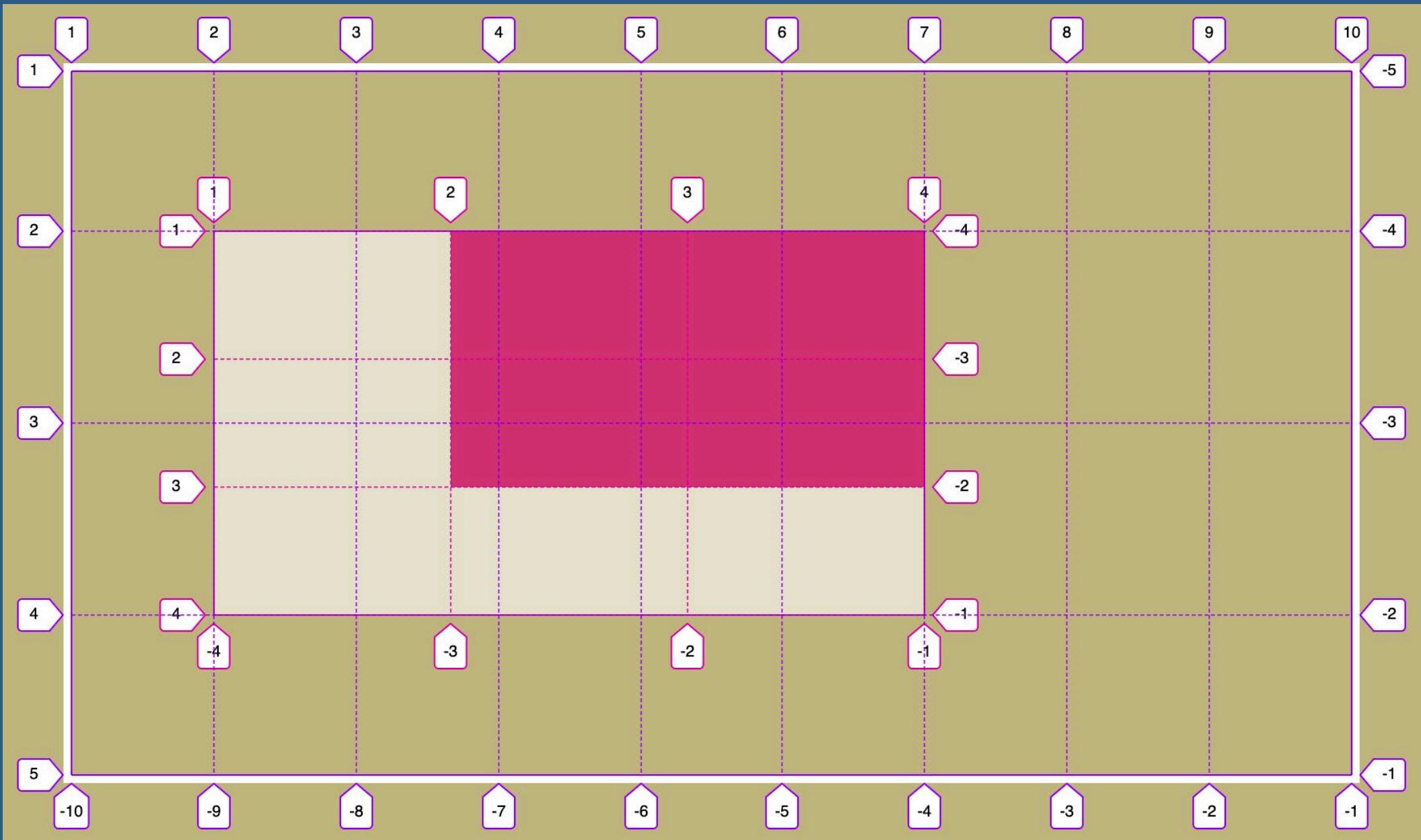
Create a grid on a grid item which uses the grid tracks defined on the parent – for rows, columns or both.

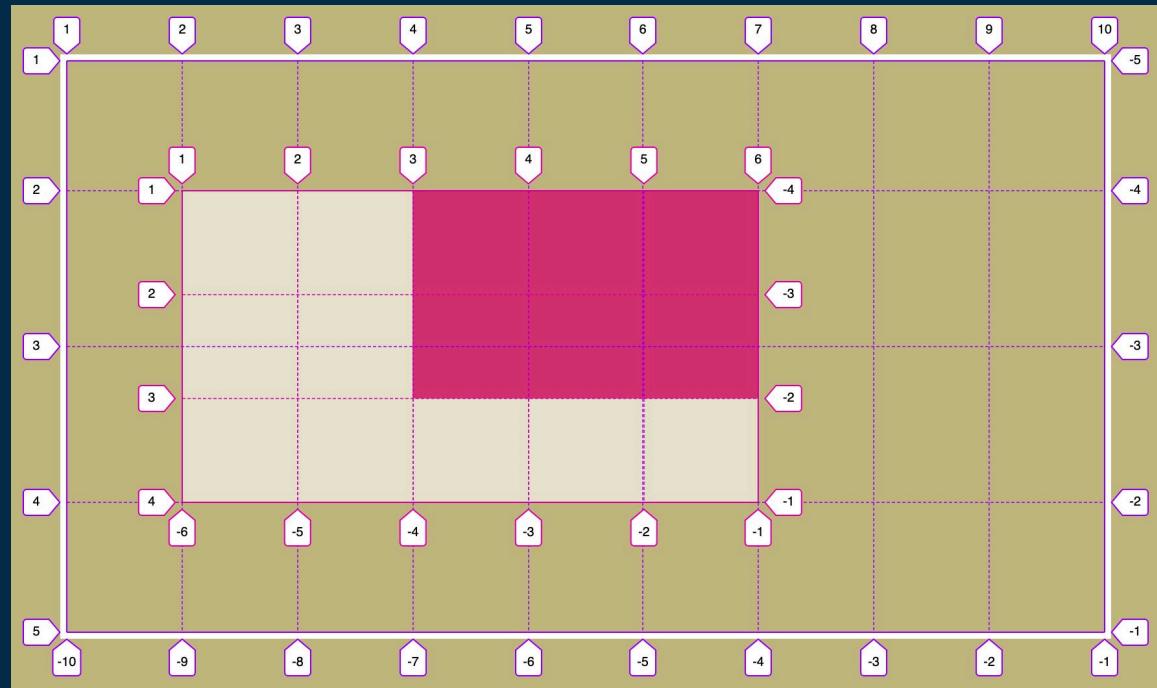


```
.grid {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: repeat(9, 1fr);  
  grid-template-rows: repeat(4, minmax(100px,  
auto));  
}  
  
.item {  
  grid-column: 2 / 7;  
  grid-row: 2 / 4;  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: repeat(3, 1fr);  
  grid-template-rows: repeat(3, 80px);  
}  
  
.subitem {  
  grid-column: 2 / 4;  
  grid-row: 1 / 4;  
}
```









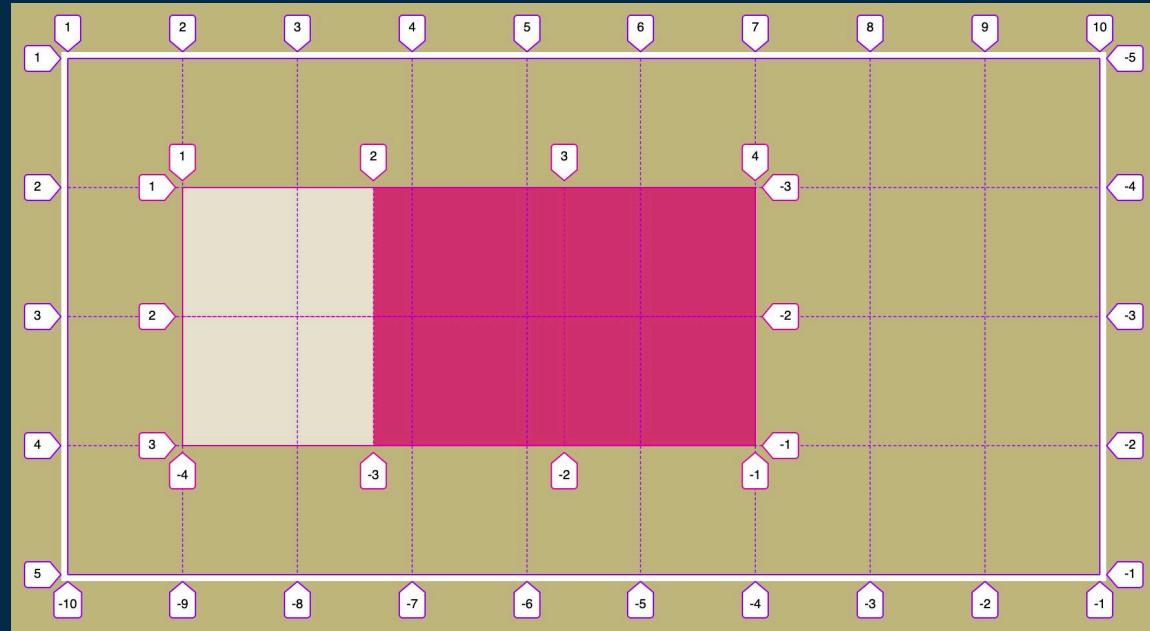
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.grid {
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auto));
}

.item {
  grid-column: 2 / 7;
  grid-row: 2 / 4;
  display: grid;
  grid-template-columns: subgrid;
  grid-template-rows: repeat(3, 80px);
}

.subitem {
  grid-column: 3 / 6;
  grid-row: 1 / 4;
}

```



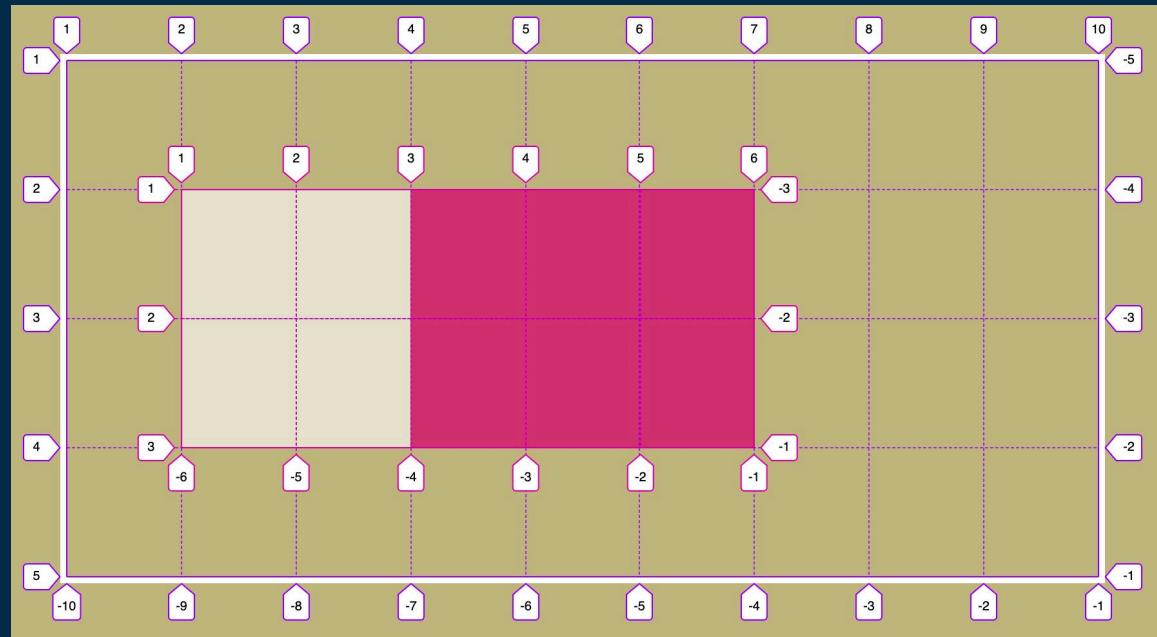
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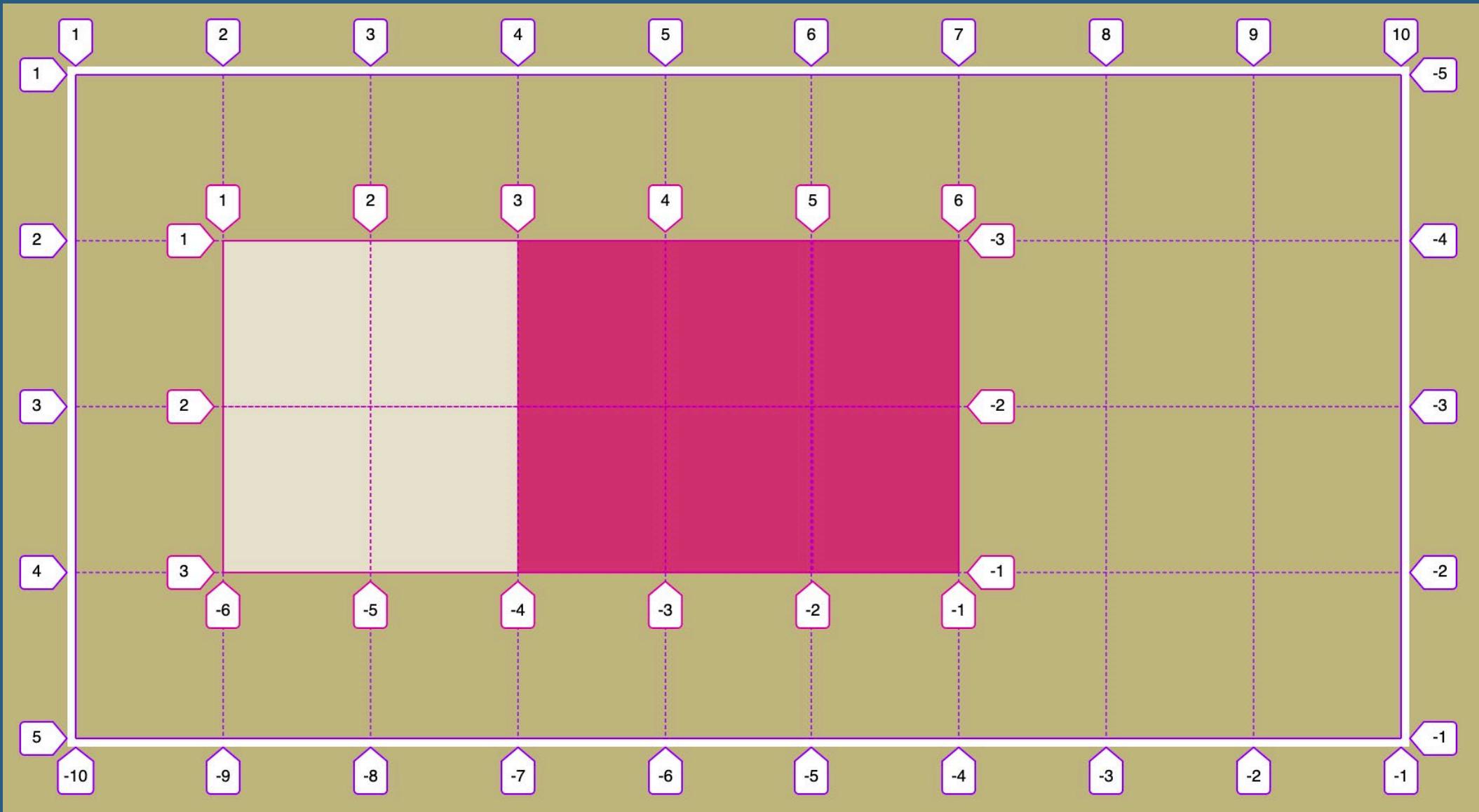
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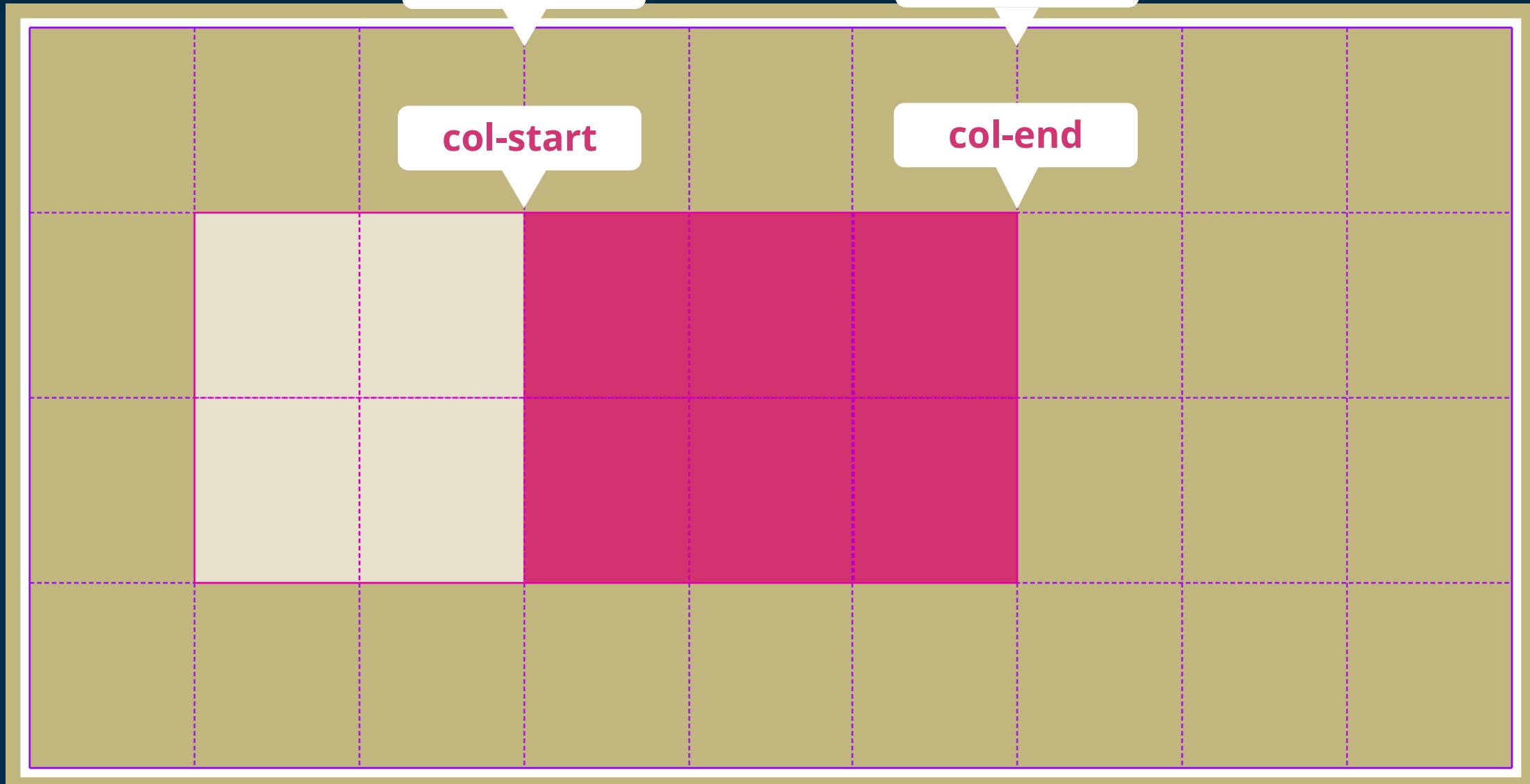
Line **numbers** start from
1 inside the subgrid.

You position child items in the subgrid according to the subgrid line numbering, not those of the parent.



Line **names** on the parent are passed into the subgrid.

If you have named lines on the parent grid they will be passed into the subgrid and added to any names defined there.

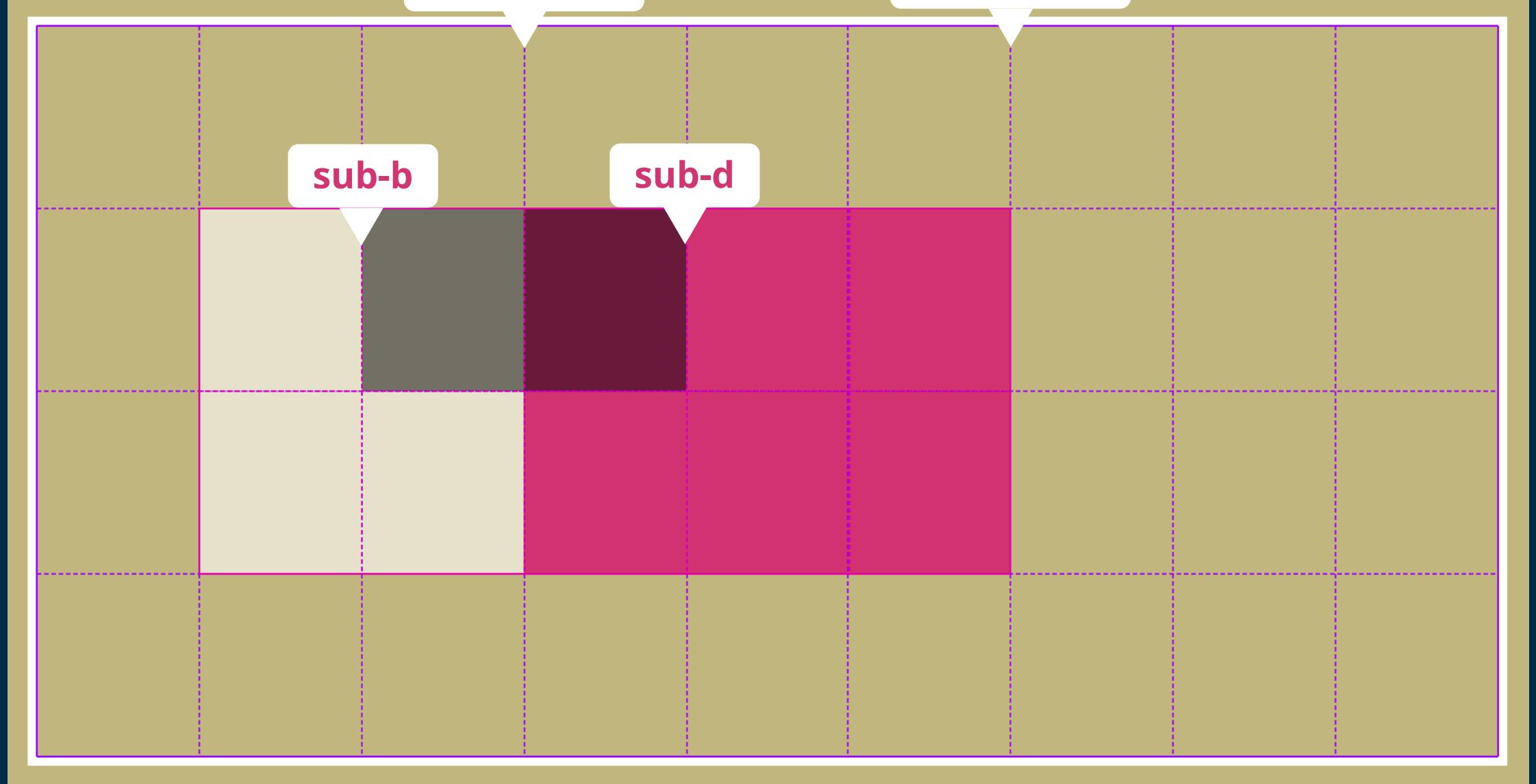


```
.grid {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: 1fr 1fr 1fr [col-start] 1fr 1fr 1fr [col-end] 1fr 1fr 1fr;  
  grid-template-rows: repeat(4, minmax(100px, auto));  
}  
  
.item {  
  grid-column: 2 / 7;  
  grid-row: 2 / 4;  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: subgrid;  
  grid-template-rows: subgrid;  
}  
  
.subitem {  
  grid-column: col-start / col-end;  
  grid-row: 1 / 3;  
}
```

You can **add** named lines
to the subgrid.

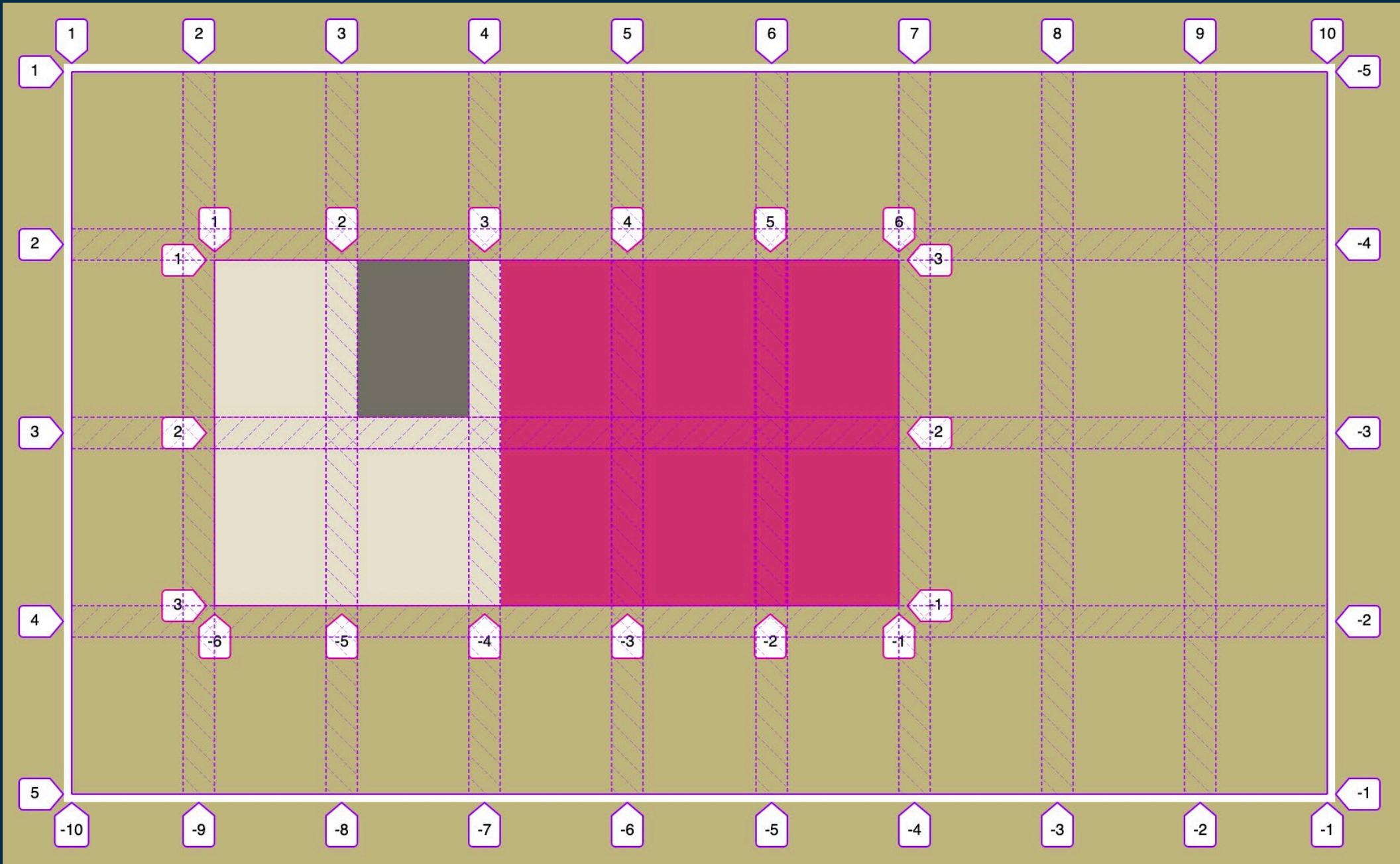
Line names are added after the subgrid keyword.

grid-template-columns: subgrid [sub-a] [sub-b];

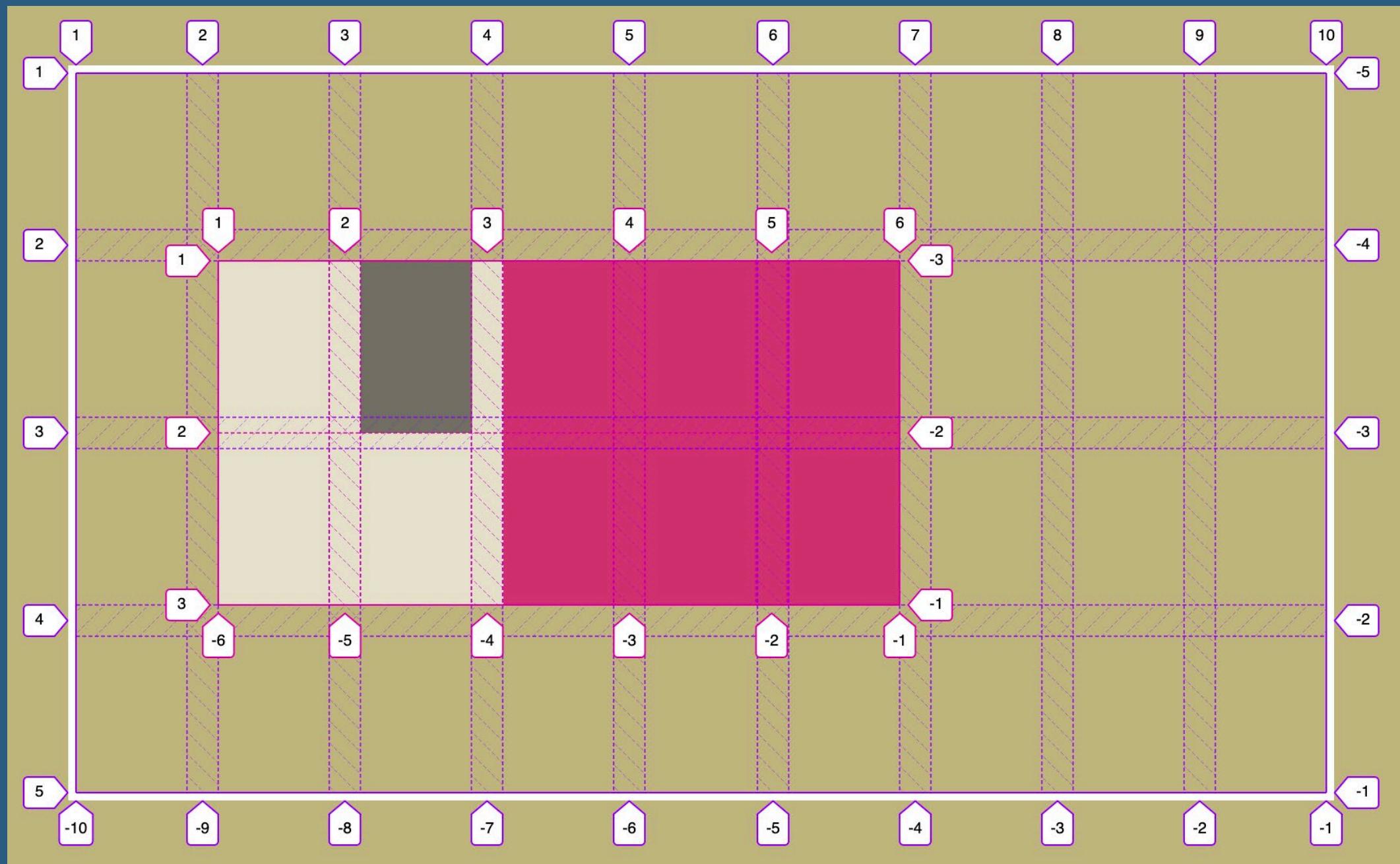


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.grid {  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: 1fr 1fr 1fr [col-start] 1fr 1fr 1fr [col-end] 1fr 1fr 1fr;  
  grid-template-rows: repeat(4, minmax(100px, auto));  
}  
  
.item {  
  grid-column: 2 / 7;  
  grid-row: 2 / 4;  
  display: grid;  
  grid-template-columns: subgrid [sub-a] [sub-b] [sub-c] [sub-d] [sub-e] [sub-f];  
  grid-template-rows: subgrid;  
}  
  
.subitem {  
  grid-column: col-start / col-end;  
  grid-row: 1 / 3;  
}  
  
.subitem2 {  
  grid-column: sub-b / sub-d;  
  grid-row: 1 / 3;  
}
```

The subgrid inherits the
gaps from the parent.



You can **change** the gaps
on the subgrid.



Sizing of items in the subgrid can change the size of the parent tracks.

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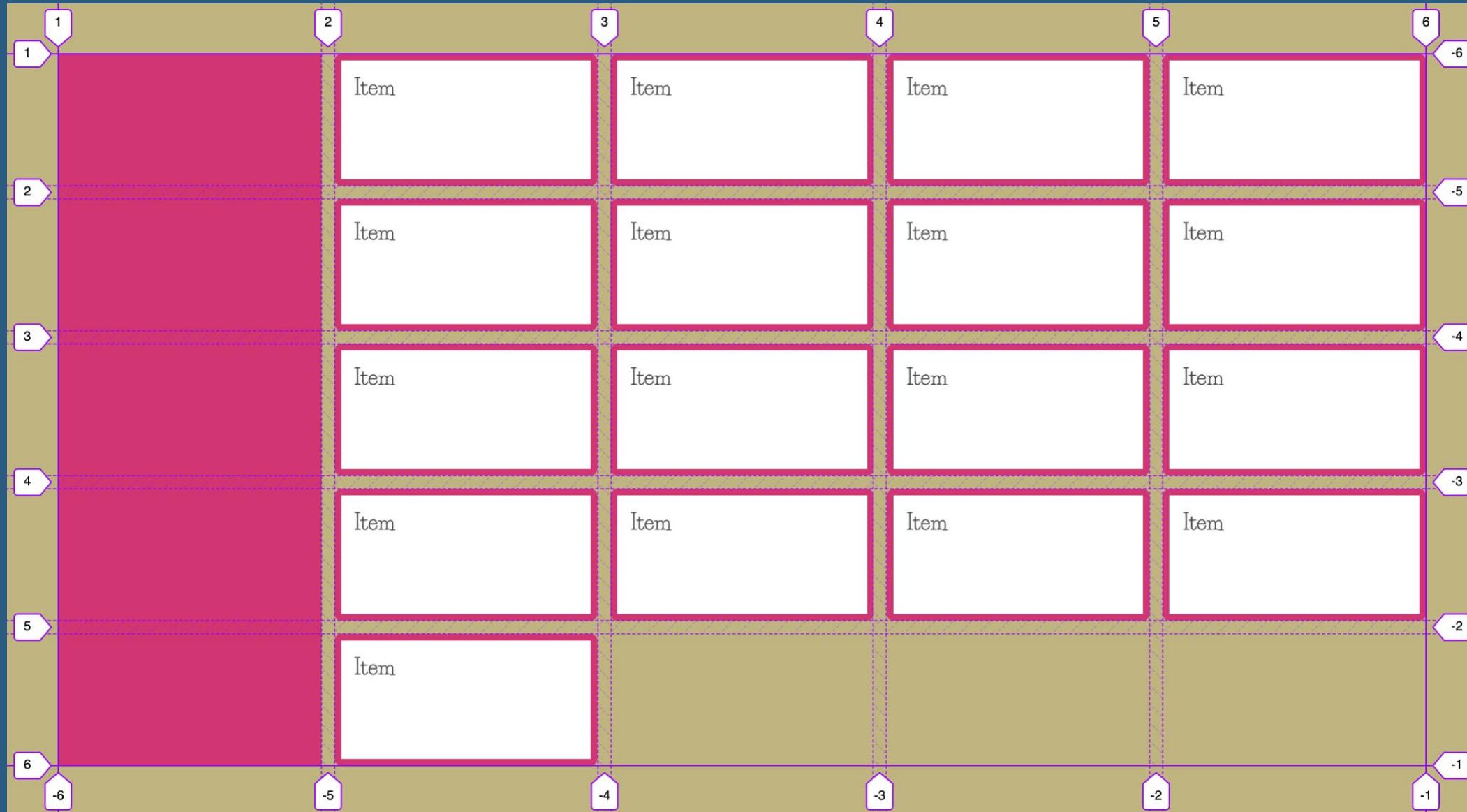
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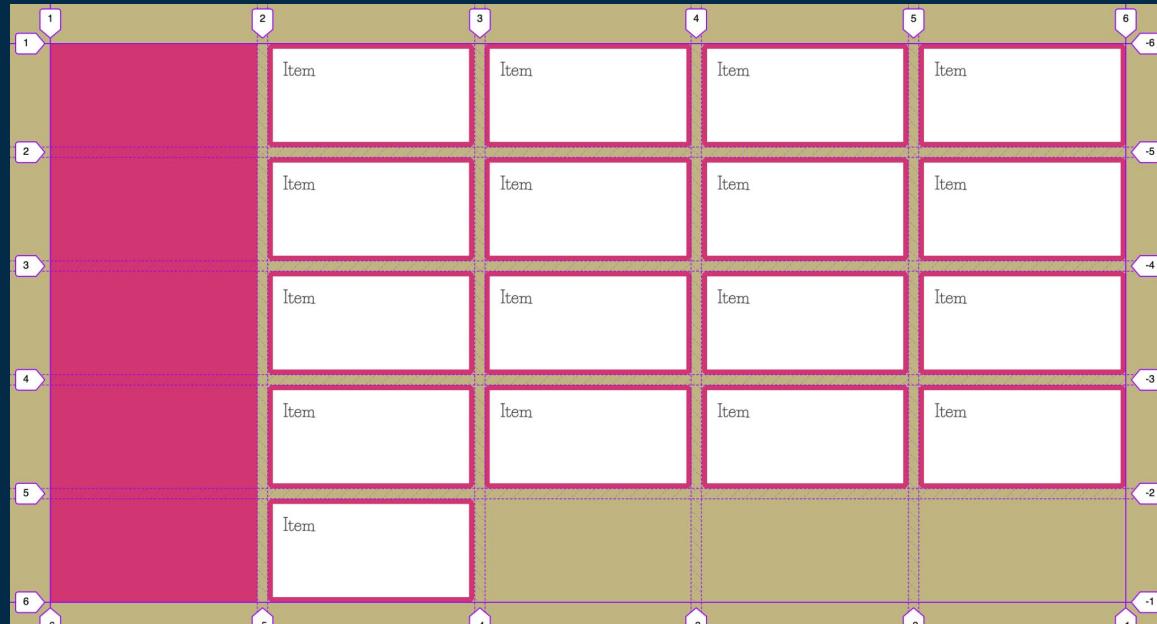
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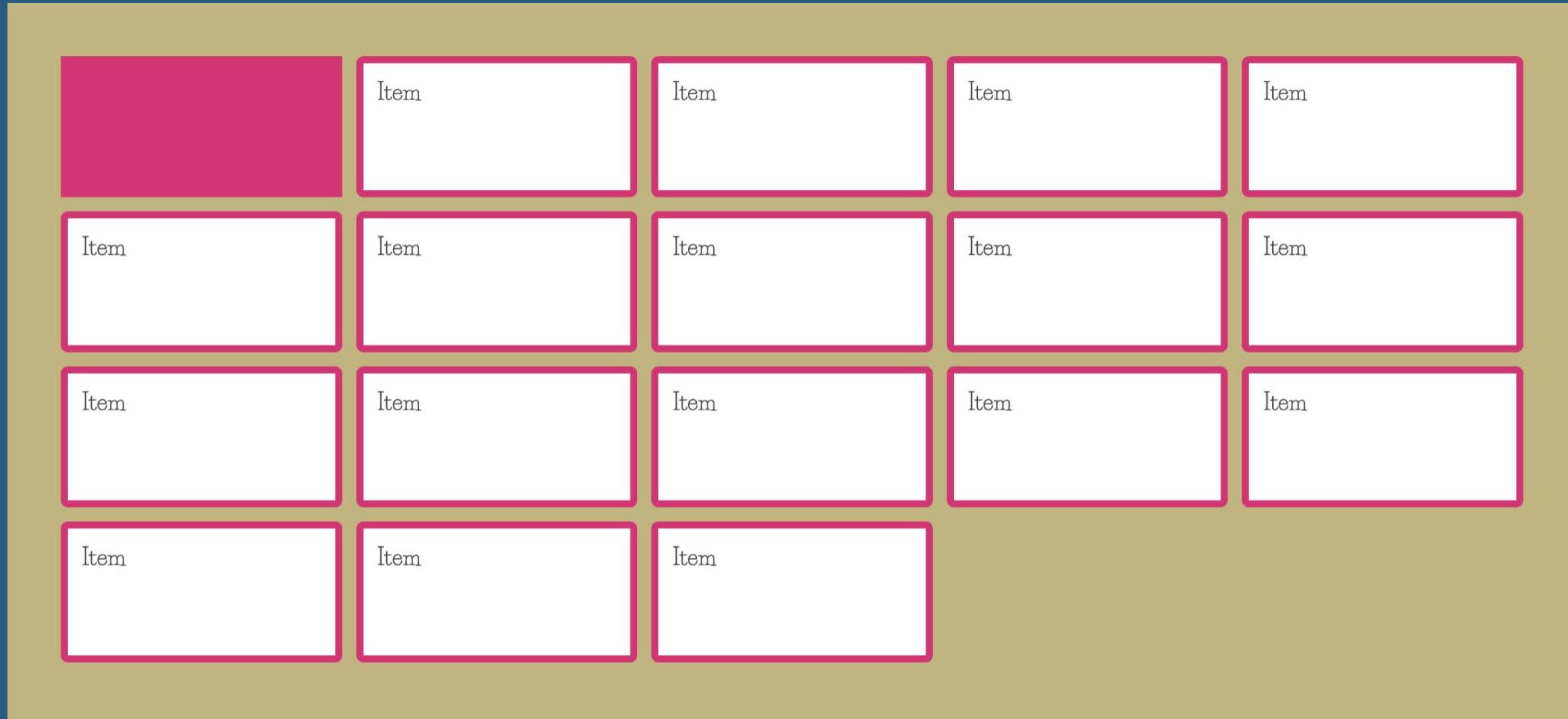
Subgrid enables some
previously **difficult patterns.**

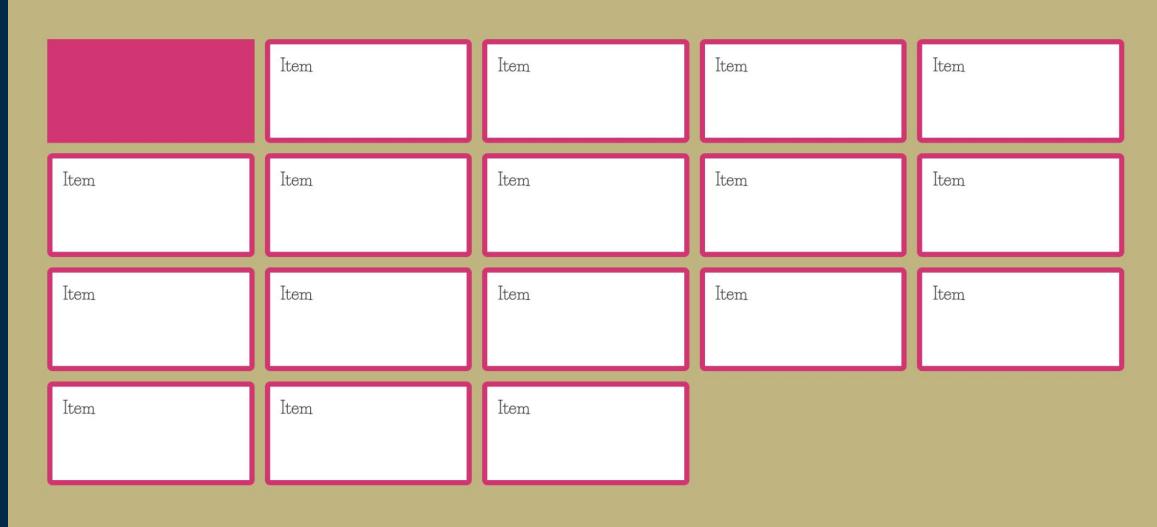




```
.wrapper {  
  display: grid;  
  gap: 10px;  
  grid-template-columns: repeat(5, 1fr);  
  /* 5 explicit rows */  
  grid-template-rows:  
    repeat(5, minmax(100px, auto));  
}  
  
.fullheight {  
  background-color: rgb(209,54,114);  
  grid-row: 1 / -1;  
}
```

Line -1 is the end line of
the **explicit grid**.



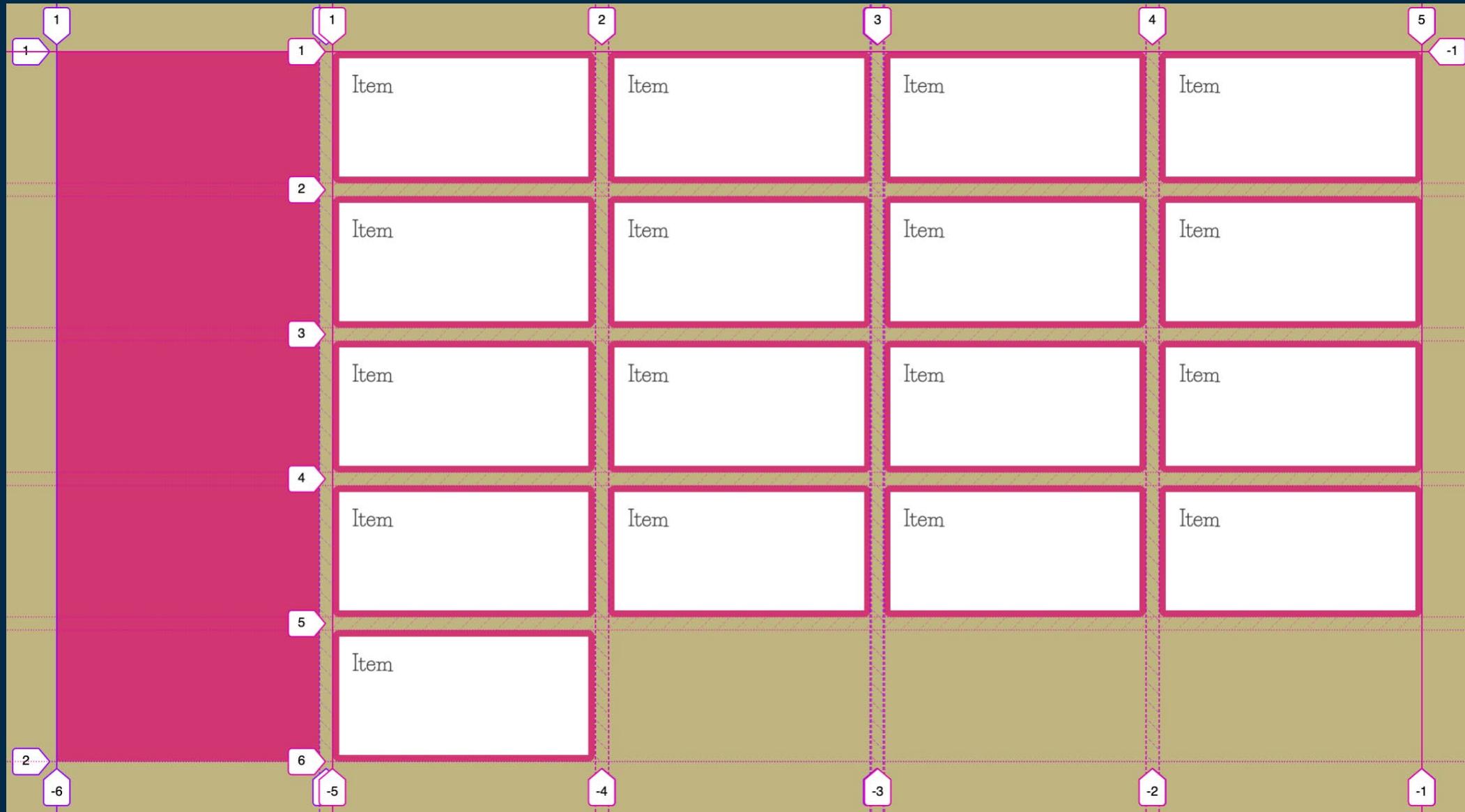


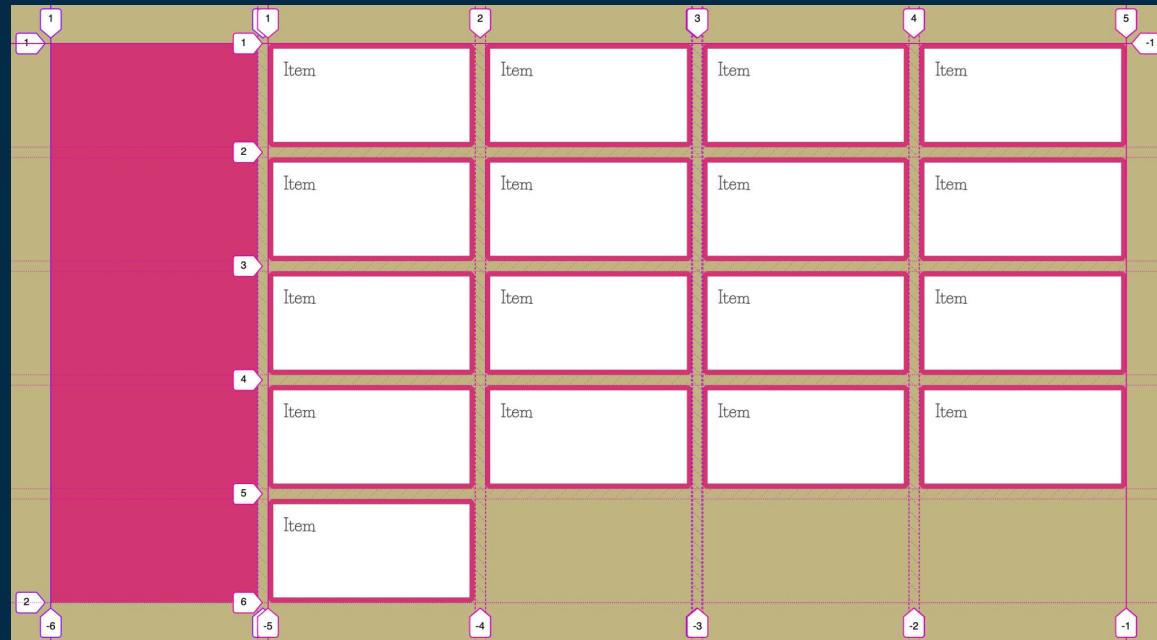
```
.wrapper {  
  display: grid;  
  gap: 10px;  
  grid-template-columns: repeat(5, 1fr);  
  /* no defined explicit rows */  
  grid-auto-rows: minmax(100px, auto);  
}
```

```
.fullheight {  
  background-color: rgb(209,54,114);  
  grid-row: 1 / -1;  
}
```

We can't target the end
line of the **implicit grid**.

Place the items in a container which uses a subgrid for columns.





```
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  grid-template-columns: repeat(5, 1fr);  
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  grid-auto-rows: minmax(100px, auto);  
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Now the bad news

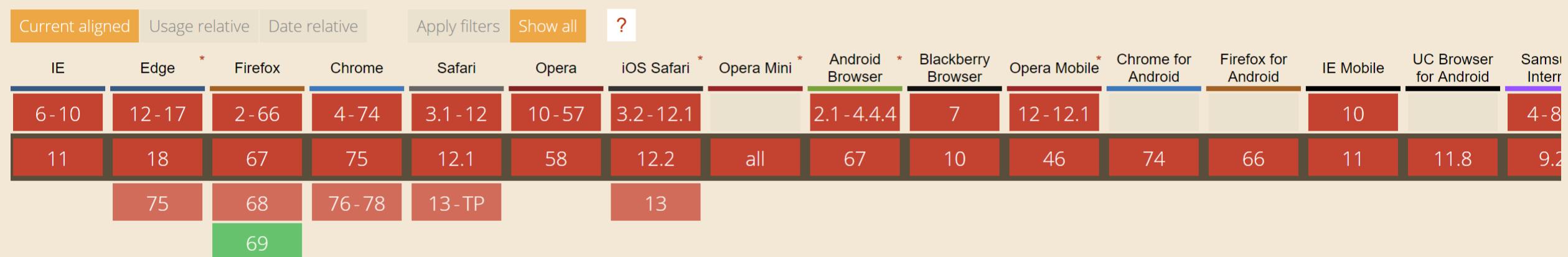
There are currently no shipped implementations of subgrid.

CSS Subgrid

WD

Usage % of all users
Global 0%

Feature of the CSS Grid Layout Module Level 2 that allows a grid-item with its own grid to align in one or both dimensions with its parent grid.



Notes

Known issues (0)

Resources (6)

Feedback

No notes

Slightly better news

Firefox have shipped subgrid in Nightly!

Cards with subgrid

https://codepen.io/rachelandrew/pres/eaEBwa?editors=1100

HTML

```
19 background-color: rgb(209, 54, 114);  
20 display: grid;  
21 grid-template-rows: subgrid;  
22 padding: .5em;  
23 row-gap: 1em;  
24 border-radius: .5em;  
25 font: 1rem 'Life Savers', cursive;
```

The screenshot shows a browser window with the title "Cards with subgrid". The address bar displays the URL "https://codepen.io/rachelandrew/pres/eaEBwa?editors=1100". On the left, there are two tabs: "HTML" and "CSS". The "CSS" tab is active, showing the following code:

```
19 background-color: rgb(209, 54, 114);  
20 display: grid;  
21 grid-template-rows: subgrid;  
22 padding: .5em;  
23 row-gap: 1em;  
24 border-radius: .5em;  
25 font: 1rem 'Life Savers', cursive;
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The main content area displays six cards arranged in a grid. Each card has a pink rounded rectangle background and contains text. The cards are aligned using CSS Grid.

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Simon Sapin
@SimonSapin

"If you wait until a spec is done and implemented to look at it and say it's rubbish, it's too late." [@rachelandrew](#) at [#cssconfeu](#)

12:26 PM · Sep 12, 2014 · Twitter for Android

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Fewer rendering engines

fewer places where new ground can be broken.

**Tell browsers what you
want in the platform.**

618969 - [css-grid] Implement subgrid support

https://bugs.chromium.org/p/chromium/issues/detail?id=618969

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OS: All
Pri: 3
Type: Feature
Hotlist-Recharge-Cold

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Issue 618969: [css-grid] Implement subgrid support

Reported by [r...@igalia.com](#) on Fri, Jun 10, 2016, 11:24 AM GMT+1

There's a new reduced subgrid proposal that we could try to implement at some point.

The spec section: <https://drafts.csswg.org/css-grid/#subgrids>

Just reporting the bug to keep track of it and use it as meta-bug during the implementation.

[Comment 1](#) by [m...@mko.io](#) on Sun, Jun 12, 2016, 9:56 AM GMT+1
This makes grid really useful!

[Comment 2](#) by [sheriffbot@chromium.org](#) on Mon, Jun 12, 2017, 4:05 PM GMT+1
Labels: Hotlist-Recharge-Cold
Status: Untriaged (was: Available)

This issue has been Available for over a year. If it's no longer important or seems unlikely to be fixed, please consider closing it out. If it is important, please re-triage the issue.

Sorry for the inconvenience if the bug really should have been left as Available. If you change it back, also remove the "Hotlist-Recharge-Cold" label.

For more details visit <https://www.chromium.org/issue-tracking/autotriage> - Your friendly Sheriffbot

[Comment 3](#) by [e...@chromium.org](#) on Mon, Jun 12, 2017, 6:55 PM GMT+1
Labels: -Type-Bug Type-Feature
Status: Available (was: Untriaged)

[Comment 4](#) by [svil...@gmail.com](#) on Fri, Jun 23, 2017, 4:39 PM GMT+1
It's just simply delayed. Subgrids were moved to Level 2 of the specs, so they are not a priority at all ATM. But it'll be eventually implemented.

[Comment 5](#) by [sheriffbot@chromium.org](#) on Mon, Jun 25, 2018, 5:04 PM GMT+1
Status: Untriaged (was: Available)

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[Comment 6](#) by [r...@igalia.com](#) on Tue, Jun 26, 2018, 8:56 AM GMT+1
Status: Available (was: Untriaged)

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<https://bugs.chromium.org/p/chromium/issues/detail?id=618969>



Write about features you want to see in browsers

Write up your use cases, the problems having the feature will solve.

Use new features

Browsers are watching.

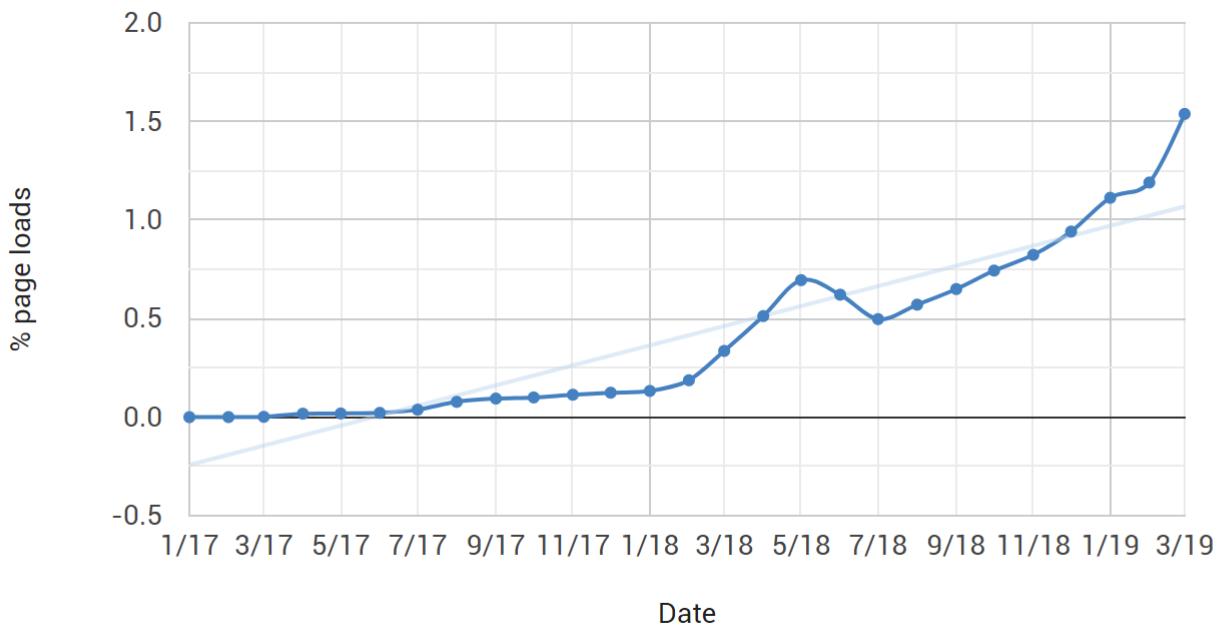
Use of CSS properties over time.

grid-template-rows

Show all historical data:

Percentage of page loads that use this feature

The chart below shows the percentage of page loads (in Chrome) that use this feature at least once. Data is across all channels and platforms.



Use new features when they are behind a flag

You get to beta test the web platform!

Give feedback to the CSS Working Group

<https://github.com/w3c/csswg-drafts/issues>

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Edge browser window with the GitHub Issues page for the repository `w3c/csswg-drafts`. The URL is <https://github.com/w3c/csswg-drafts/issues>. The page displays 1,346 open issues, with 1,835 closed issues. The issues are listed in a table with columns for status, title, labels, and comments. The first few issues are:

- [css-text-4] white-space:break-spaces is in level 3 but not level 4 (`css-text-3`, `css-text-4`)
- [css-color-4] Paint order of non-positioned stacking context
- [css-transitions] What defines that unconnected elements don't transition? (`css-transitions-1`)
- [css-font-loading-3] Relationship between FontFace and CSSFontFaceRule (`css-font-loading-3`)
- [css-text-3] "hang" definition refers to punctuation, but also applies to white space (`css-text-3`)
- [css-animations] Animations should be allowed on linear/radial gradients (`css-images-4`)
- [css-page-floats] should intersect with [css-page]
- [css-overflow] Overflow propagation when the element propagated from is display: none (`Agenda+`, `css-overflow-3`)

Or, talk to me

It's what I'm here for!

Thank you

<https://noti.st/rachelandrew/WH5GiQ/hello-subgrid>