# THE TRANSITIVITY ANALYSIS OF THE FIRST SEGMENT IN THE THIRD PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE BETWEEN PRESIDENT BARRACK OBAMA AND MITT ROMNEY

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