



SPLASH! AT CORNELL

MUSICAL GROUPS

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“Mathematics is a foreign language.”

–Chirag Bharadwaj, *et. al.*



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BRIDGING THE GAP

- How can we overcome an overwhelming **sea of symbols** and extract meaning from first principles?
- How can we use these abstract notions to model **real-life phenomena** and make meaningful connections?
- How can we learn to think beyond our boundaries and create **original work**?

COLOR SCHEME

- In this presentation...
 - *Green text* refers to things I think you should know already given your past experiences
 - *Blue text* refers to things you may know or be able to reason about given enough time
 - *Red text* refers to things that you most likely do not know yet and will hopefully learn sometime soon!
 - *Magenta text* mostly refers to definitions / emphasis

ABOUT ME

- From Flushing, NY
- Went to high school in Princeton, NJ
- Senior at **Cornell University**
 - B.Sc., *Computer Science*
- Currently applying to **graduate schools** for CS
- **Mathematics** and **music** are my side interests!
- Other than that, just like you (except maybe a little older):
 - 19 years old
 - Interested in **self-learning** and **teaching** others



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- From Flushing, NY
- Went to high school in Princeton, NJ
- Relevant math classes I took in **high school**:
 - AP Calculus-AB, BC
 - **Multivariable calculus**, linear algebra
 - **Differential equations**, complex analysis
 - Real analysis (two semesters)
- I've been playing the piano since April 2005 (~11-12 years)
- What we will cover today is related to **basic algebra**



ABOUT ME

- From Flushing, NY
- Went to high school in Princeton, NJ
- Things I've taught at Splash before:
 - *Spring 2015: Modern Complex Analysis*
 - *Fall 2015: Introduction to Japanese Linguistics*
 - *Spring 2016: Special Polynomials in Differential Equations*
 - *Fall 2016: Mathematical Groups in Music*
- Pattern in my teaching?
 - *Spring* = more **technical** material; *fall* = more **accessible** material



OVERVIEW

- 120 minutes to get a quick introduction to some interesting applications of modern mathematics
- Focus: Applications of some intermediate-level math to music and music theory
- Pace: reasonably fast
 - Then again, 120 minutes is a *lot* of time...
- Holism vs reductionism: age-old question/answer

BACKGROUND

- I will assume *complete* familiarity with a few things:
 - **Algebra** at the level of a second high-school class
 - How to **read music** written on 2 clefs (e.g. for the **piano**)
 - How to think using your **brain** (it must be yours!)
- Things I do *not* expect you to have seen before:
 - **Group theory** and **sets**
 - **Music theory** and **musical counterpoint**
 - Paying attention to one guy for two straight hours

BACKGROUND

- Don't worry if you don't understand *everything*!
 - The idea is to gain **exposure** to unfamiliar concepts
- Not everything you see here will be immediately useful in your high school mathematics
 - But it will teach you a little bit about how to think for yourself and **teach yourself new things from old**
- This is a **challenge**—get ready to be **splashed**!

STRUCTURE

- First third: **Mathematical toolbox**
 - “The boring stuff”
 - Interesting new things you can do with what you **already know** from high school!
- Second third: **Musical toolbox**
 - The other side of boring
 - Some of you probably **know** this already...
- Last third: **Applications** of what we just learned
 - Fun ways to **apply** newfound knowledge

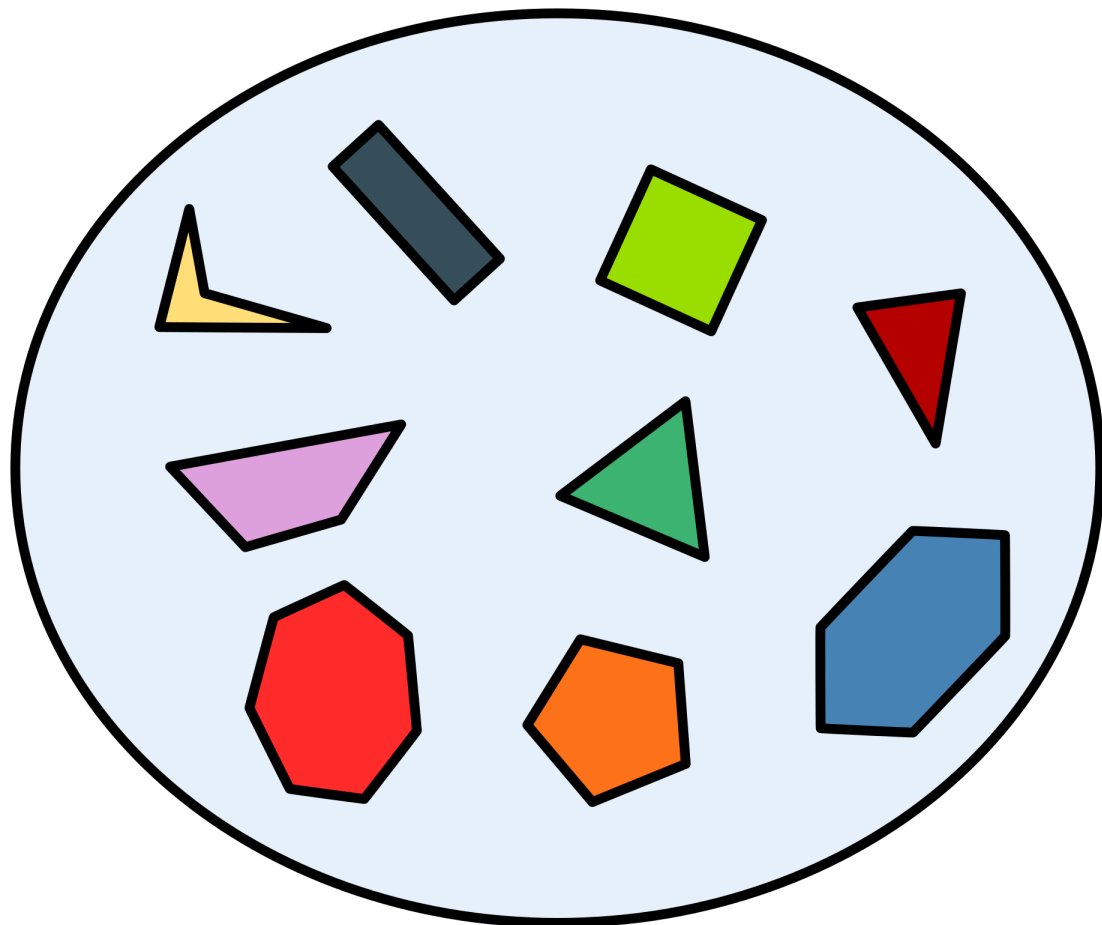
STRUCTURE

- We need to develop the right kind of *framework* to study music in proper *theoretical* detail
 - *I suspect many of you are not used to going into this much *depth* with any topic... that's okay!*
- We will start with basic ideas from math and build up the notion of *groups*
 - Slowly the connections to *other fields* will become apparent over time!

PRELUDE

SETS

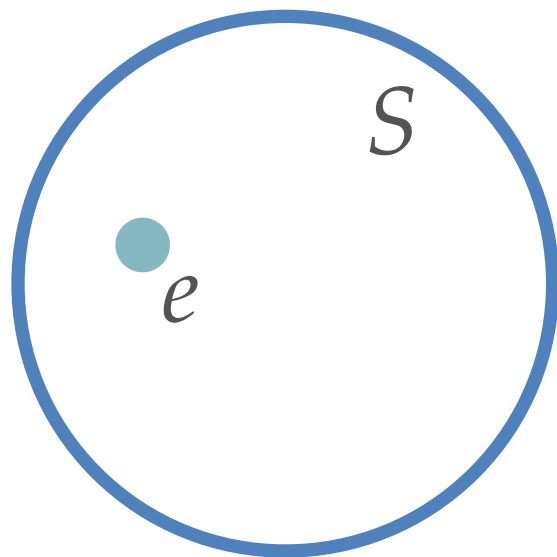
- What is a *set* in mathematics?
 - Colloquial definitions? “Primary school” definition?
 - How I always thought about it:



*heterogeneous collection
of certain kinds of objects*

SETS

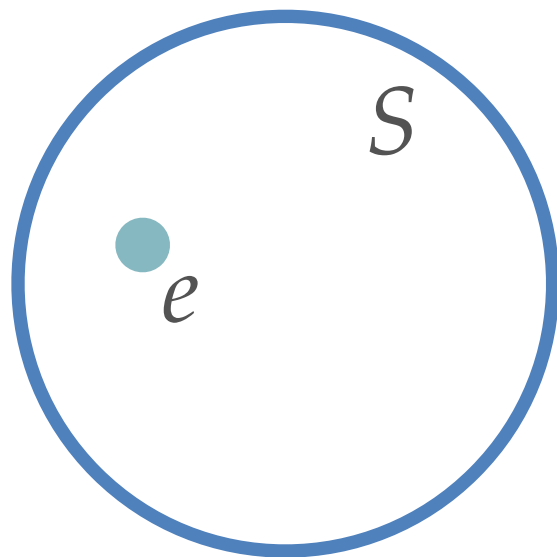
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 - These objects are called *members* (or *elements*)
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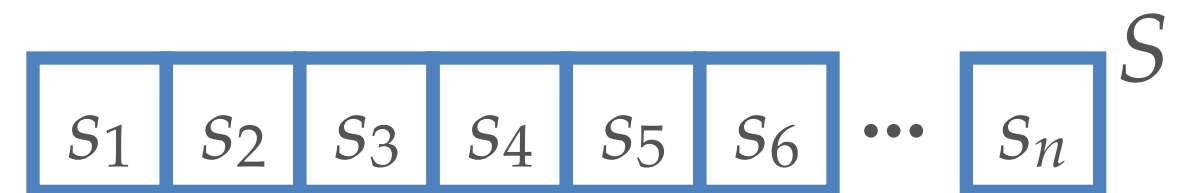
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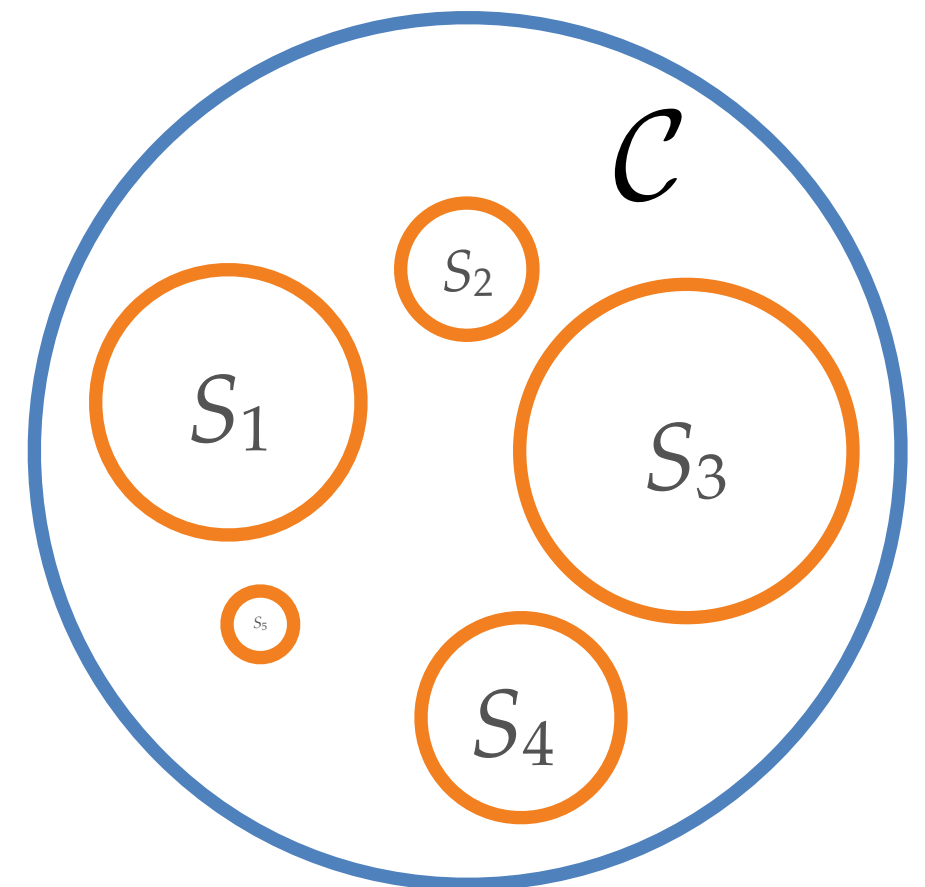
*it means that this is not
our model of organization!*

SET CONSTRAINTS

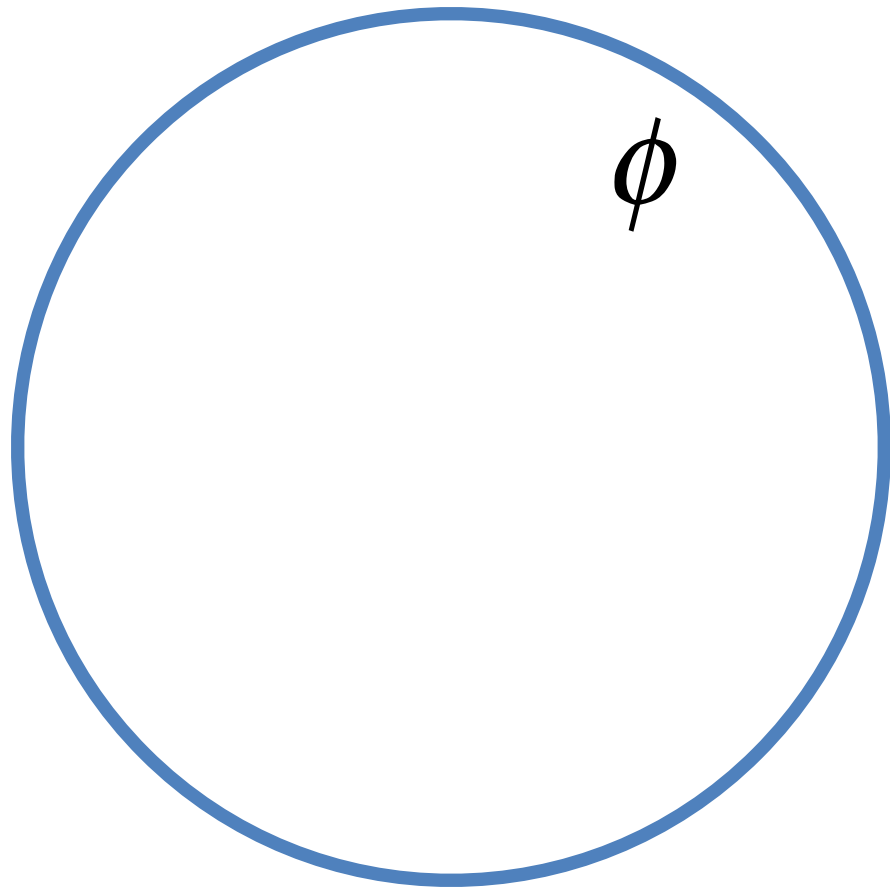
- What kinds of objects are *valid* members of sets?
 - Do they all have to be **unique**?
 - Do they all have to be the **same “kind”** of object?
- Let's think about it...
 - Real life: *No two objects are physically equal*
 - Real applications use *homogeneous collections*
- Leads to **two** important rules (*axioms*):
 - (*Uniqueness.*) **All elements are necessarily unique.**
 - (*Homotypicity.*) **All elements have the same *type*.**

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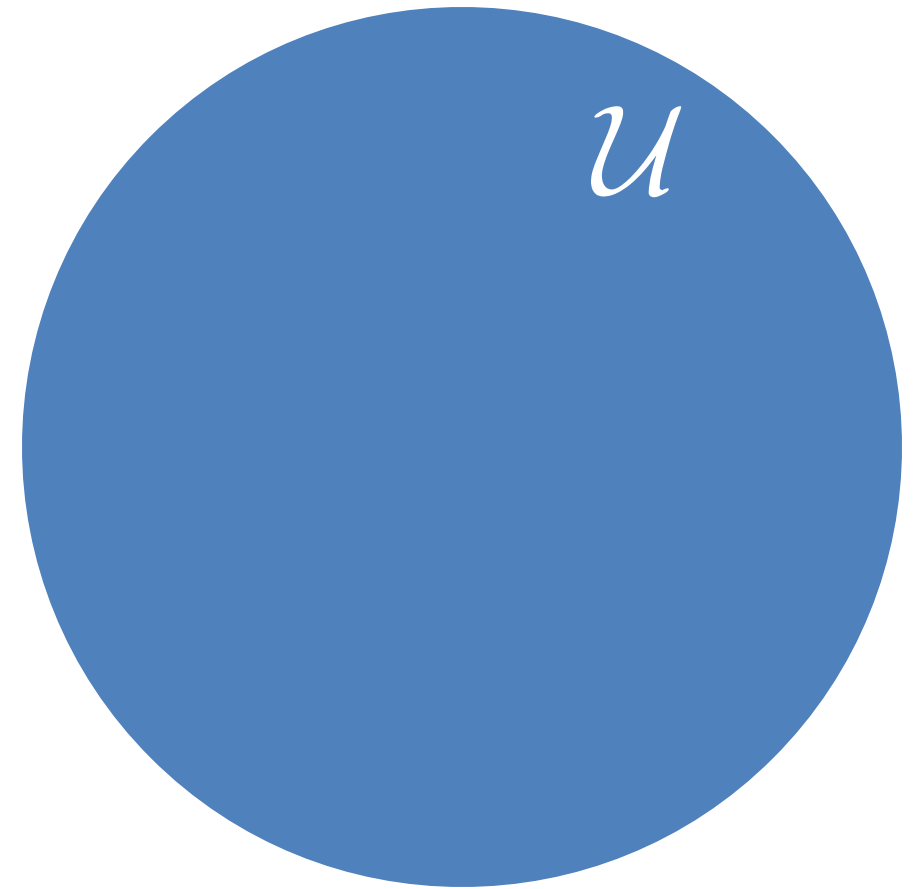
- What kinds of objects are *valid* members of sets?
 - Since sets are themselves objects, we can entertain the idea of a set of sets (i.e. *higher-order sets*)
 - A *class* is a *set of sets* that all share a *property*
 - Classes are also *not ordered*!
- What does this even look like?
 - *high school classes*
 - *set of units* of study
 - *unit* of study = *set* of topics



SET CONSTRAINTS



The empty set \emptyset



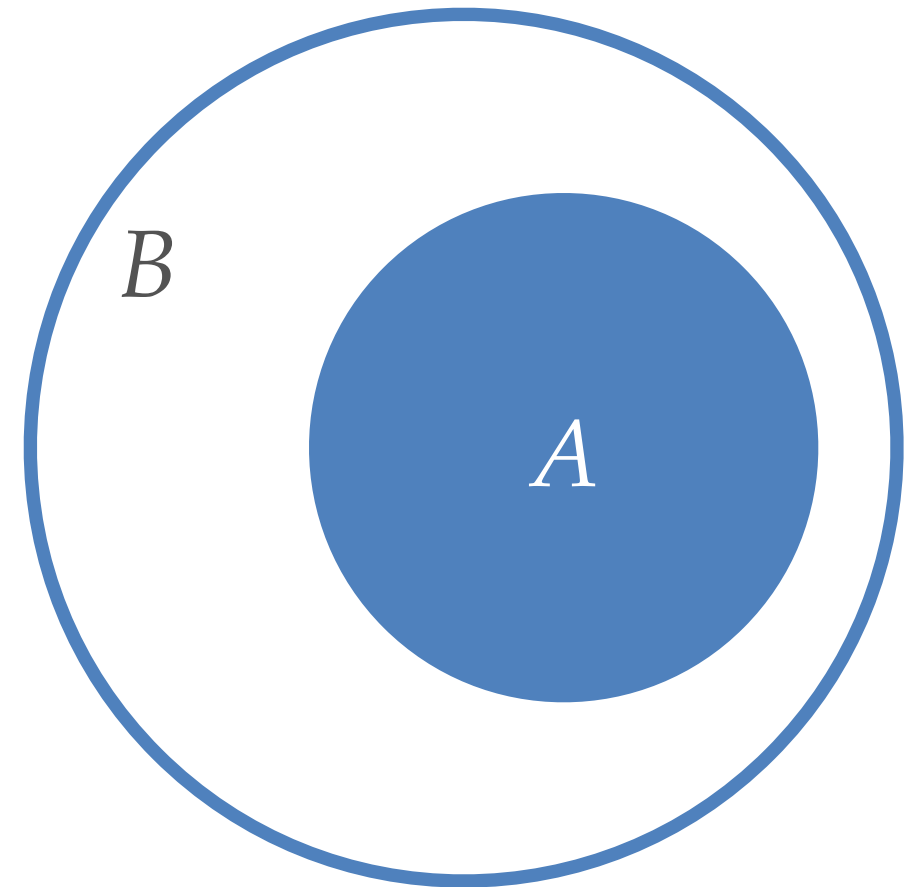
The universal set \mathcal{U}

SET COMPARISONS

- Two sets A and B are *equal* if and only if they contain the *exact same elements*
 - That is, A contains every element of B and B contains every element of A
- This is sometimes known as *structural equality*
 - The two sets are still not *physically* equal!
 - Recall: *No two objects are equal*

SET COMPARISONS

- A set A is a *subset* of a set B if B contains all of the elements of A
 - Note that this definition is non-restrictive!
 - In particular, it could be the case that A and B are *equal sets*
 - If A is a subset of B but A and B are *not equal*, then we say that A is a *proper subset* of B

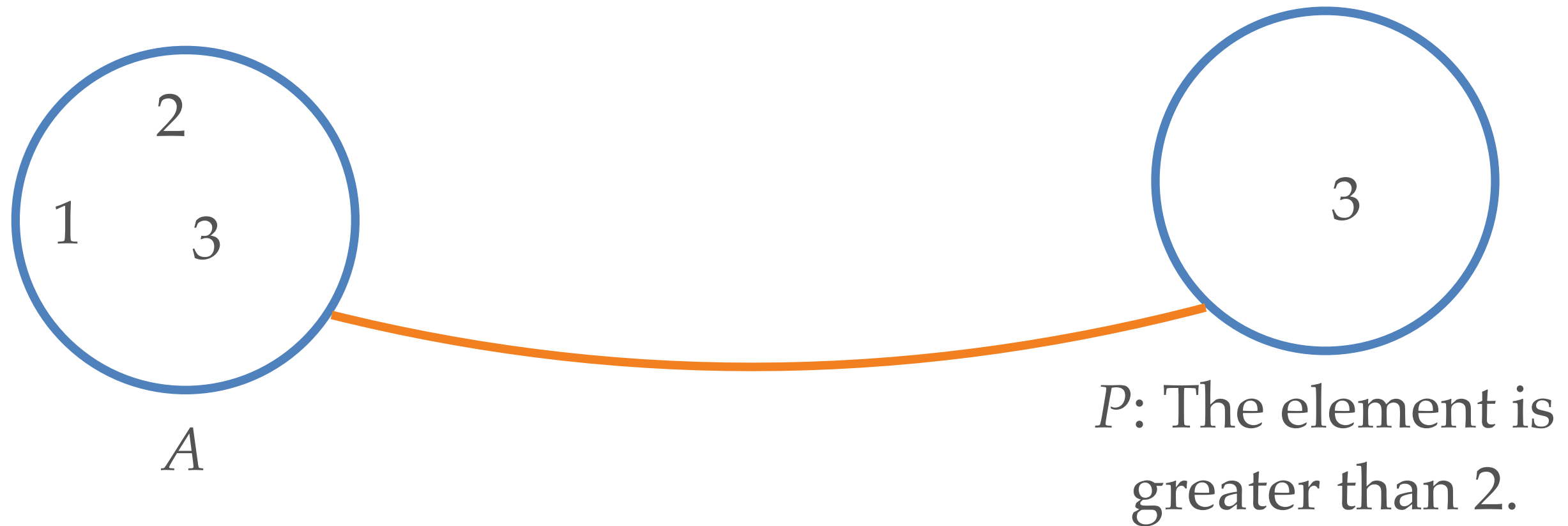


SET COMPARISONS

- A set A is a *subset* of a set B if B contains all of the elements of A
 - Our intuition tells us that this is a weaker condition than that of *set equality*
- Formally, what does it mean for one condition to be *stronger* or *weaker* than another?
 - We need the notion of a *property*
 - This, in turn, helps us to know *other* things...

PROPERTIES

- A *property* P of a set A is a subset of A wherein all elements of the subset *satisfy some condition* c



PROPERTY STRENGTH

- Consider a set X and two **properties** of X : P_1 and P_2
- We measure the **strength** of a property by how **tight** of a *filter* it is on a set
 - P_1 is *strictly weaker* than P_2 if P_2 is **proper subset** of P_1
 - P_1 is *no stronger* than P_2 if P_2 is a **subset** of P_1
 - P_1 and P_2 are *equipotent* if P_1 and P_2 are **equal**
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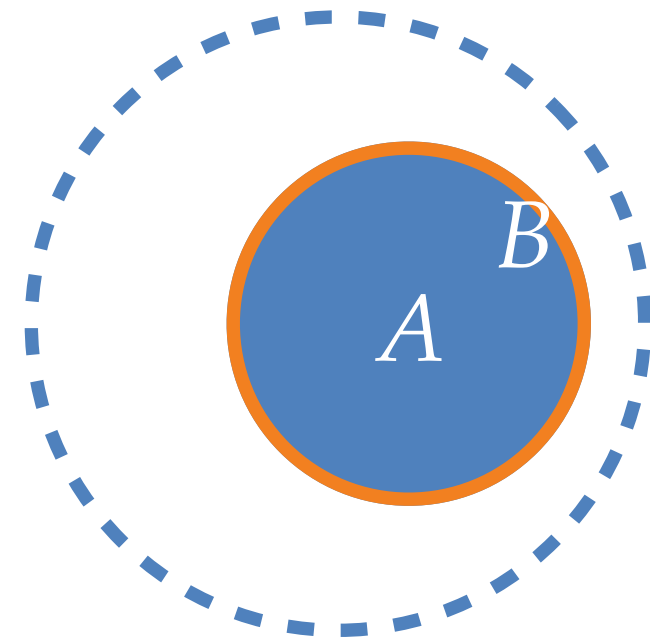
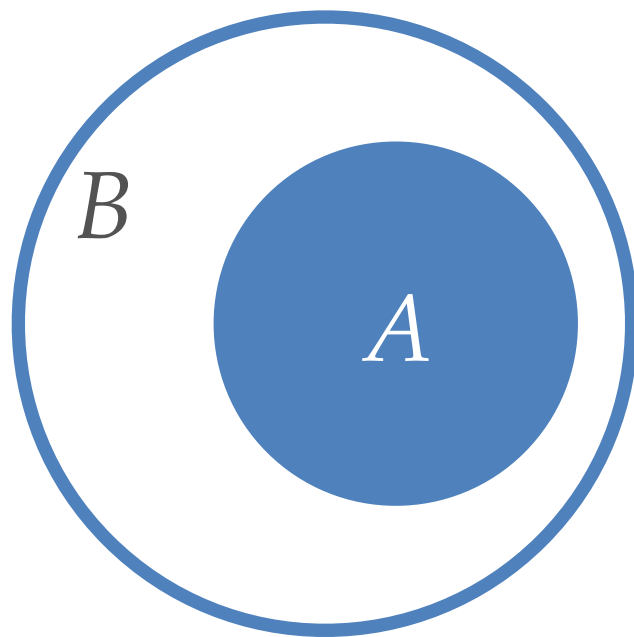
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 - The *weakest property* of a set X is
“the element is in X ”
 - The *strongest property* of a set X is
“the element is not in X ”

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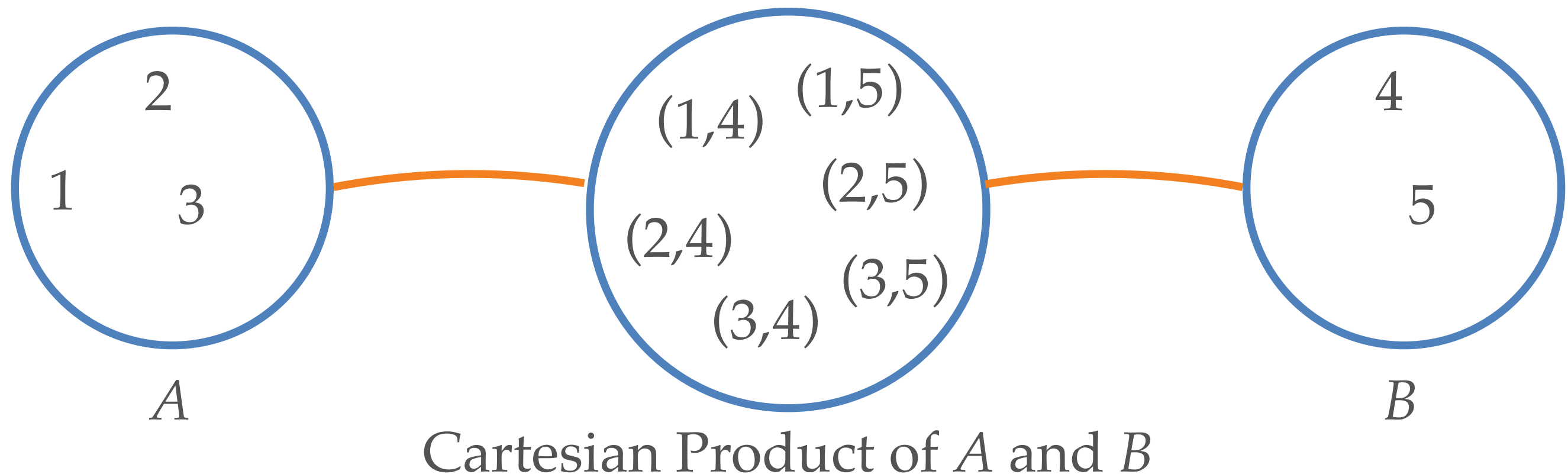
SET COMPARISONS

- Back to subset and equality of sets:
 - Recall: Two sets A and B are equal if and only if A is a subset of B and B is a subset of A
 - Thus, equality is at least as tight of a filter as subset
 - This tells us that *subset is no stronger than set equality*



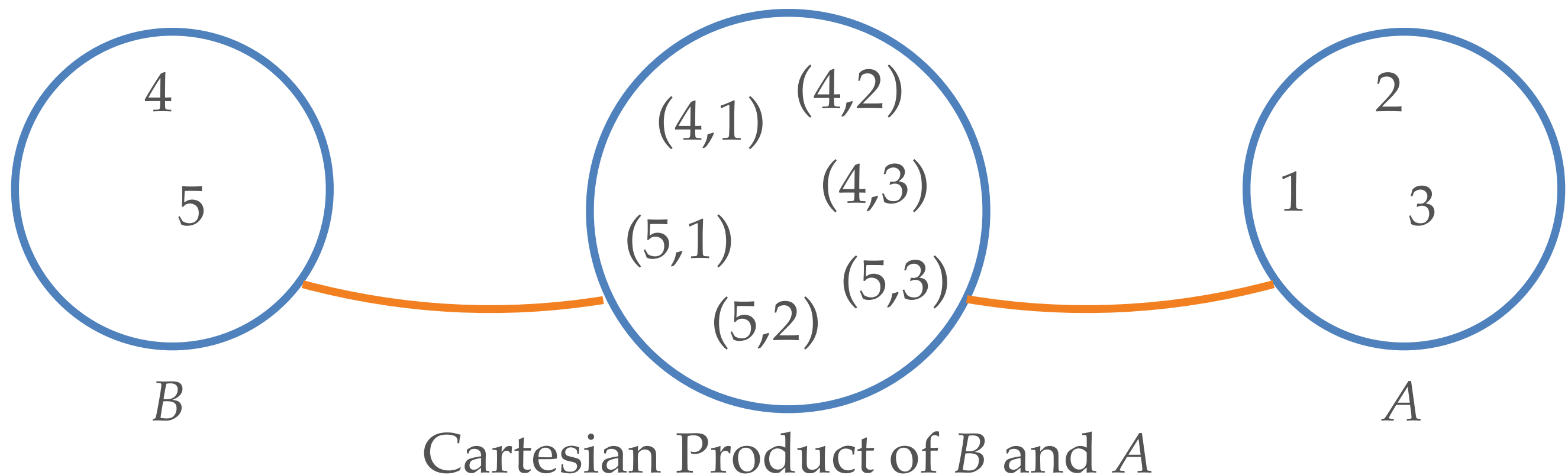
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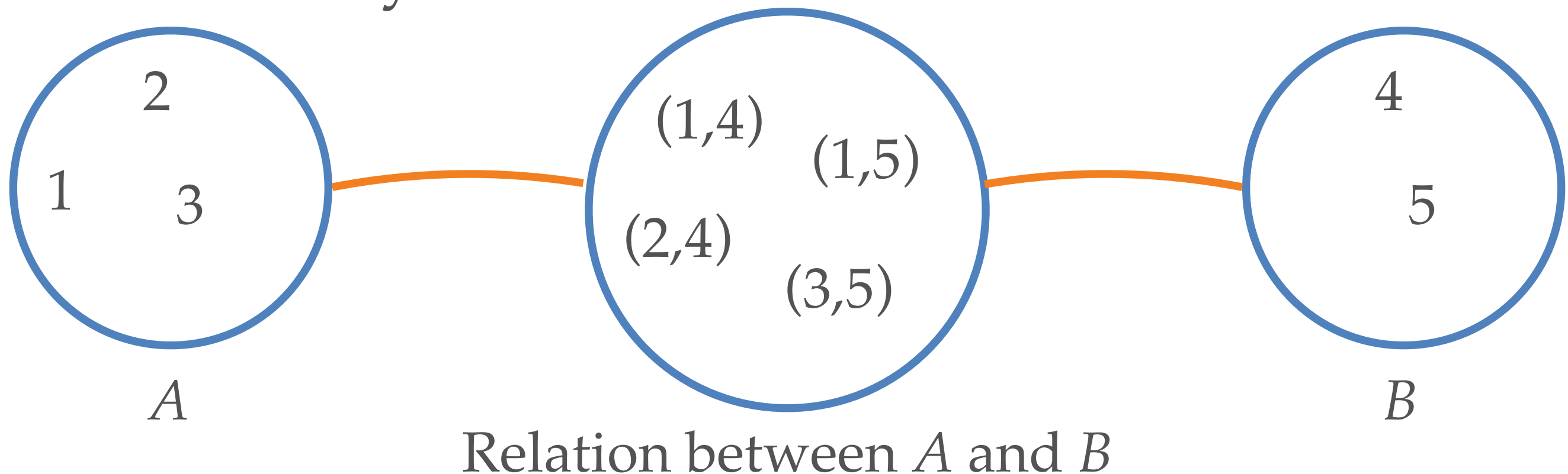


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- These pairs *are* ordered:
 - The Cartesian product is **not commutative**
 - If we swap the order of the first and second set, then the ordered pairs change (as we saw!)
 - But both Cartesian products have the same *size*

RELATIONS

- A (binary) *relation* R from a set A to a set B is a subset of the Cartesian product of A and B
 - Elements are either *in the relation* or not
- If a pair (a, b) is in the relation R , then we say that a is *related to* b by R



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 - If for all elements a in X , it holds that (a, a) is in R , then we say that R is *reflexive*
 - If for all a and b in X , it holds that (a, b) is in R and (b, a) is in R , then we say that R is *symmetric*
 - If for all a and b in X , it holds that the joint membership of (a, b) and (b, a) in R implies that $a = b$, then we say that R is *antisymmetric*
 - If for all elements a, b , and c in X , it holds that the joint membership of (a, b) and (b, c) in R implies the membership of (a, c) in R , then we say that R is *transitive*

NOTATION

- Time for **shorthand**!
- Too cumbersome to write everything out in English...
we need a standard way of **denoting** these concepts
- We introduce the *canonical set notation*
- This notation is **standard** in the **literature**

NOTATION

S

S is a *set*

NOTATION

$$S = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

S *contains* 1, 2, and 3

NOTATION

$s \in S$

s is a *member* of S

NOTATION

$A \subseteq B$

A is a *subset* of B

NOTATION

$$A \subset B$$

A is a *proper subset* of B

NOTATION

$$A = B$$

A and B are equal

NOTATION

$$P = c(x)$$

Property P : element x satisfies condition c

NOTATION

$$P(x)$$

Property P : shorthand notation

NOTATION

$$S = \{x \mid P(x)\}$$

Set builder: S is the set of all x that satisfy property P

NOTATION

$A \times B$

The *Cartesian product* of A and B

NOTATION

$$\{(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$$

The *Cartesian product* of A and B

NOTATION

R

R is a *relation*

NOTATION

$a R b$

a is *related* to b *by* R

NOTATION

$$(a, b) \in R$$

(a, b) is *in the relation* R

NOTATION

$$\forall x; P(x)$$

for all x , x satisfies property P

NOTATION

$$\exists x; P(x)$$

there exists an x that satisfies property P

NOTATION

- P_1 is *strictly weaker* than P_2 : $P_1 \prec P_2$
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$$\forall P; \perp \preceq P \quad \forall P; P \preceq \top$$

Boundedness of top/bottom

$$\nexists P; \top \prec P \quad \nexists P; P \prec \perp$$

Another way to say the same thing

SUPPLEMENTS

- Some additional definitions:
 - A *partial order* on a set X is a relation R from X to X that is *reflexive*, *antisymmetric*, and *transitive*
 - A *total order* is a partial order R that is also *total*, i.e. for all $x \in X$ and $y \in X$, either $x R y$ or $y R x$
 - An *equivalence relation* on a set X is a relation R from X to X that is *reflexive*, *symmetric*, and *transitive*
 - Typical symbols:
 - partial order: \leq , total order: \leq_+ , eq. relation: $=$

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Introduction to the Melody

META-STRUCTURES

- A (finitary) *operation* is an operation that takes in some number of inputs and produces an output
 - A *binary* operation takes in *two* inputs and produces some output
 - You have certainly *seen* binary operations before...

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 - Types: $A \rightarrow B$ means “takes in something of *type* A and returns something of *type* B ”
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 - For example: the negation operator $-$ (e.g. *unary op.*)
 - What is the *type* of this operator?
 - $-$ takes in a real number and returns its opposite
 - *Note: 0 is the fixpoint of the negation operator*
 - *In other words, -0 is still 0*
 - The negation of a real number is also real

$$(-) : \mathfrak{R} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$$

META-STRUCTURES

- A (finitary) *operation* is an operation that takes in some number of inputs and produces an output
 - A *binary* operation takes in *two* inputs and produces some output
 - A binary operation op is *closed* on a set X if it has the type $op : X \times X \rightarrow X$
 - That is, it takes in two elements of X and the result it returns is also an element of X (so the operation is *closed*... it never produces anything outside of X)

META-STRUCTURES

- An *algebraic structure* is a *set* with one or more *operations* defined over it
 - Each operation must satisfy a *list of axioms*
- There are many, many algebraic structures
 - We will limit our study to *group-like structures*
 - *Groupoids*
 - *Semigroups*
 - *Monoids*
 - *Groups*

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EARLY GROUPS

- A *groupoid* $M = (S, \bullet)$ is an algebraic structure
 - *Note:* \bullet is a binary operator that is **closed** over set S
 - Mathematically speaking, the definition implies that
$$\forall a, b \in S; a \bullet b \in S$$
- In some sense, this is a very *weak* definition:
 - No **properties** are **asserted** about the nature of \bullet
 - Formally: **st**(\bullet) = \perp , where **st** is the relative strength
 - In general: $a \bullet b \neq b \bullet a$ and $(a \bullet b) \bullet c \neq a \bullet (b \bullet c)$
- Sometimes a groupoid is also called a *magma*

SEMIGROUPS

- A *semigroup* SG is a *groupoid* $M = (S, \bullet)$ whose binary operator \bullet is also *associative*
 - In this case, it is true that $(a \bullet b) \bullet c = a \bullet (b \bullet c)$
 - Note that we retain all the properties of a groupoid (all *zero* of them) and then add associativity also
- Unlike with groupoids, there are actually some *interesting examples* of semigroups that we can take a look at to get a better *understanding* of the structure

SEMIGROUPS

- Some **examples** of semigroups:
 - The **empty** semigroup
 - Semigroups with **one element**
 - Semigroups with **two elements**
 - **$(N,+)$** , where N is the set of **natural numbers** $\{1,2,\dots\}$
 - I won't show *why*, but in a few minutes you will already **understand** how to prove this one, too
- Let us now look at each of these in **more detail**!

SEMIGROUPS

- The *empty semigroup* $SG_{\emptyset} = (\emptyset, \mathbf{empty})$
 - The *empty function* has type
$$\mathbf{empty} : \emptyset \rightarrow \emptyset \text{ or } \mathbf{empty} : \emptyset \times \emptyset \rightarrow \emptyset$$
and **takes no inputs** and **produces no outputs**.
- Some theorists claim that this is an **invalid semigroup**
- ...but does **empty** satisfy the **properties** required of \bullet ?
 - *Closed*: **empty** produces no output, so all outputs are in \emptyset
 - *Associative*: **empty** takes no input, so it behaves the same on all inputs: it does nothing (so it is associative, as any **operation** gives the same answer: nothing)
- This semigroup is not very interesting...

SEMIGROUPS

- The *trivial semigroup* $SG_{id} = (\{e\}, \mathbf{id})$
 - All other one-element semigroups are equivalent (*isomorphic*) to this one since e is just some element
 - The *identity function* has type
$$\mathbf{id} : \{e\} \times \{e\} \rightarrow \{e\}$$
and is defined as $\mathbf{id}(e, e) = e$
- Does \mathbf{id} satisfy the *properties* required of \bullet ?
- *Closed*: Always takes in e (a pair of e 's) and returns e
- *Associative*: $\mathbf{id}(\mathbf{id}(e, e), e) = \mathbf{id}(e, e) = \mathbf{id}(e, \mathbf{id}(e, e))$

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- Does \mathbf{id} satisfy the *properties* required of \bullet ?
- This one is also not particularly interesting, since there is only one possible trivial (order-1) semigroup

SEMIGROUPS

- Semigroups of *two* elements:
 - An interesting case to consider, as there is a lot more variety here that we must account for!
 - It turns out that there are 5 *distinct* such semigroups:
 - The null semigroup
 - The left-zero and the right-zero semigroups
 - The classical two-element boolean algebra
 - A fancy special-case semigroup (more later)
 - We won't *prove* it, but these are the ONLY five
 - Other *order-two semigroups* are *isomorphic* to these

SEMIGROUPS

- Absorbing elements of an operation:
 - Consider some *absorber* **abs** and a binary operation •
 - Then, for all s it holds that $\mathbf{abs} \bullet s = s \bullet \mathbf{abs} = \mathbf{abs}$
 - Nomenclature: Absorbs the other value into itself
- A *left-absorber* has a weaker property:
 - for all s , it holds that $\mathbf{abs} \bullet s = \mathbf{abs}$
- A *right-absorber* has a similar weaker property:
 - for all s , it holds that $s \bullet \mathbf{abs} = \mathbf{abs}$
- Clearly, an element is an absorber if and only if it is both a left-absorber and a right-absorber

SEMIGROUPS

- *Null semigroup*
 - SG whose set contains an absorber
- *Left-zero semigroup*
 - SG whose set contains a left-absorber
- *Right-zero semigroup*
 - SG whose set contains a right-absorber
- Absorbers are generalizations of the notion of 0 for sets
- The absorbing element of a semigroup is unique! (*Why?*)
- We will now take a look at null, left-zero, and right-zero semigroups of order-2

SEMIGROUPS

- The *null semigroup* of order-2: $O_2 = (\{0,1\}, \mathbf{zero})$
 - All other null semigroups of order-2 are isomorphic
 - Here, 0 is the absorber and **zero** has the type

$$\mathbf{zero} : \{0,1\} \times \{0,1\} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$$

and is defined as follows:

$$\mathbf{zero}(_, _) = 0$$

- Here, the underscore ($_$) notation means “any input”
- So the full definition is technically the following:
 $\mathbf{zero}(0,0) = \mathbf{zero}(0,1) = \mathbf{zero}(1,0) = \mathbf{zero}(1,1) = 0$

SEMIGROUPS

- The *null semigroup* of order-2: $O_2 = (\{0,1\}, \mathbf{zero})$
 - Does **zero** satisfy the *properties* required of \bullet ?
 - *Closed*: **zero** always outputs 0, which is in $\{0,1\}$
 - *Associative*:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{zero}(\mathbf{zero}(a,b), c) \\ &= \mathbf{zero}(0,c) \\ &= 0 \\ &= \mathbf{zero}(a,0) \\ &= \mathbf{zero}(a, \mathbf{zero}(b,c)) \end{aligned}$$

SEMIGROUPS

- The *left-zero semigroup* of order-2: $LO_2 = (\{0,1\}, \mathbf{left})$
 - All other such *semigroups* of order-2 are *isomorphic*
 - Here, 0 is the *left-absorber* and **left** has the type

$$\mathbf{left} : \{0,1\} \times \{0,1\} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$$

and is defined as follows:

$$\mathbf{left}(0, _) = 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{left}(1, _) = 1$$

- Recall the use of the underscore as a *wildcard*
- **left** is quite the eponymous function:
 - Output is the *same* as the left argument

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$$\begin{aligned} &= \mathbf{left}(0, \mathbf{left}(b,c)) \\ &= \mathbf{left}(a, \mathbf{left}(b,c)) \end{aligned}$$

Case 1: $a = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{left}(\mathbf{left}(a,b), c) \\ &= \mathbf{left}(1,c) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\mathbf{right} : \{0,1\} \times \{0,1\} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$$
and is defined as follows:
$$\mathbf{right}(_, 0) = 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{right}(_, 1) = 1$$
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 - Output is the *same* as the right argument

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$$(a \wedge b) \wedge c$$

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and behaves the same as the standard integer multiplication operator (over real numbers)

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- Note that we retain all the properties of a semigroup (i.e. **associativity**) and then add the identity element
- The identity element of a monoid MUST be **unique**
- There are literally **TONS** of uses for (free) monoids:
 - Finite-state machines
 - Process calculus / concurrent computing
 - Transition table for a linear system

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- Going through **examples** of monoids would take us WAY too long...
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 - *Boolean* semigroup (**id** = \top)
 - *Unit* semigroup (**id** = 1)

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- Each element has a unique inverse in S
- If \bullet is also *commutative*, then G is called an *abelian group*
- There are even *more* uses for groups than for monoids:
 - *Music theory and musical counterpoint*
 - Geometries in crystallization of solids in chemistry
 - Quantum mechanics and wave physics

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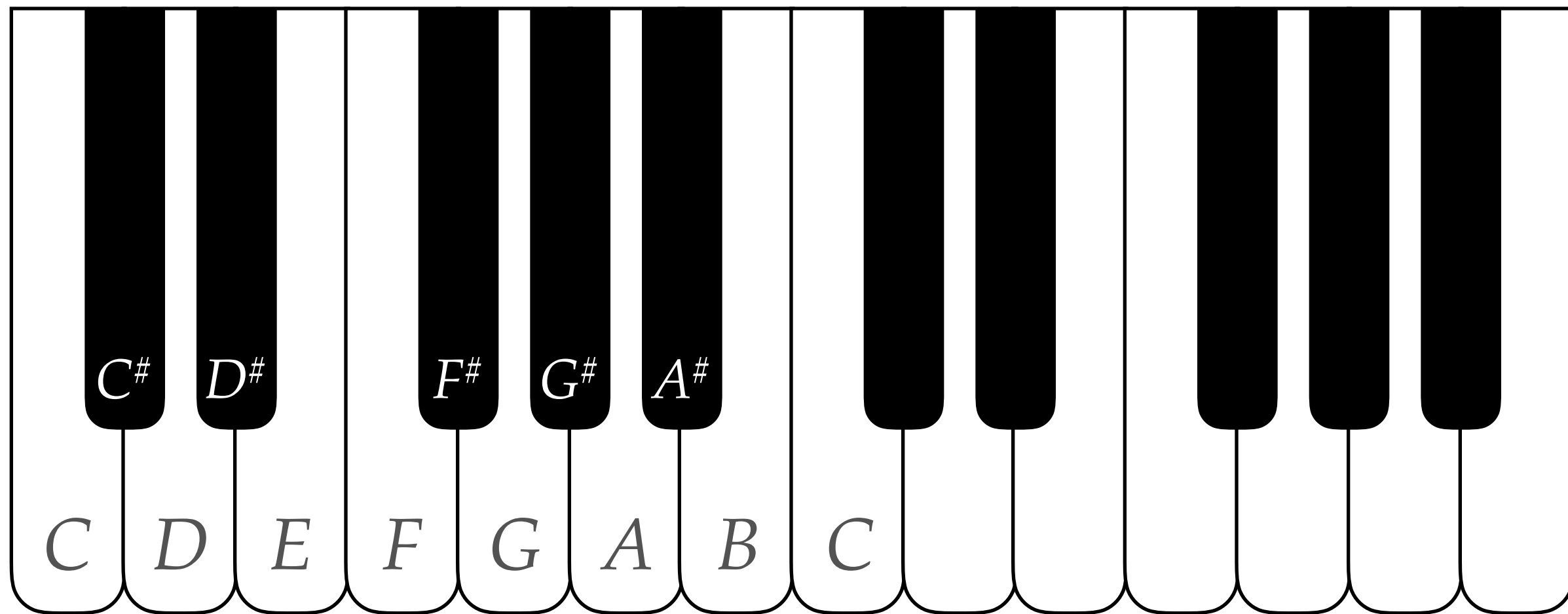
COUNTERPOINT

Presentation of the Main Melody

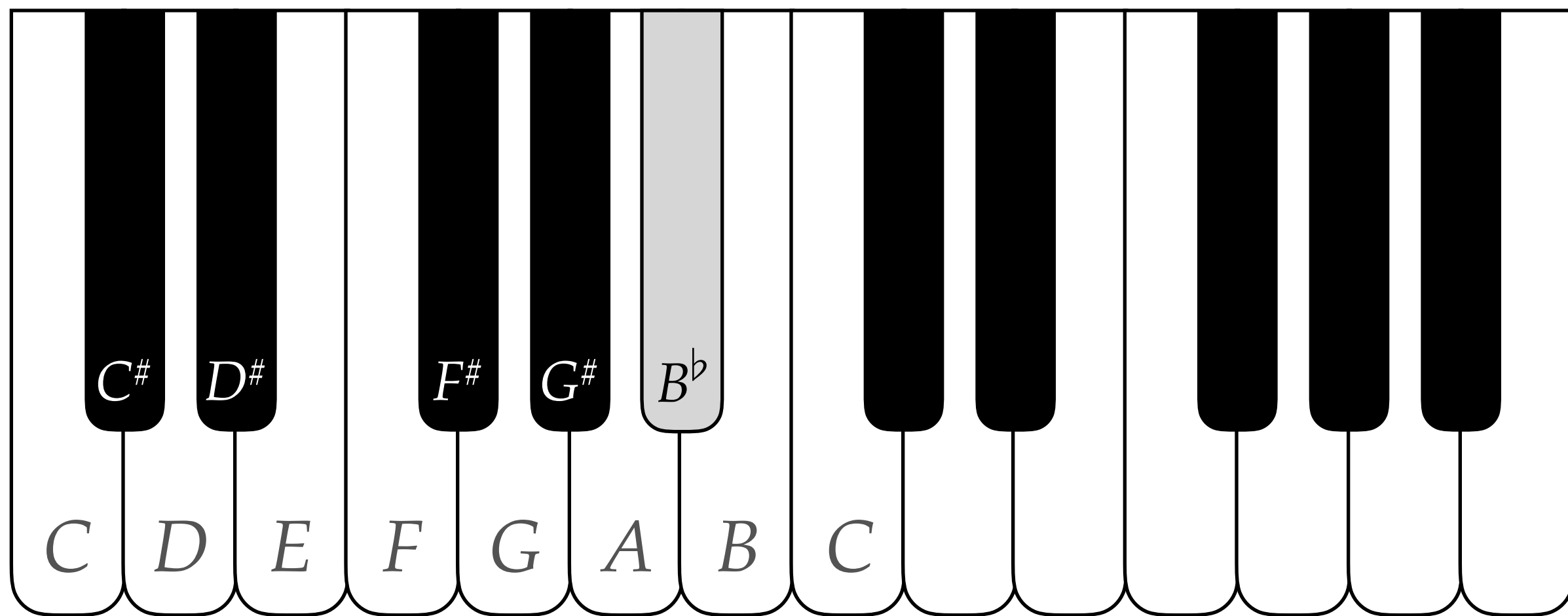
THEORY

- To begin understanding the applications, we need to **prepare ourselves musically**
 - Just as we prepared ourselves **mathematically**
- We will begin with a general discussion of the **canonical music theory**:
 - Interval spelling
 - Chord spelling
- Then we can delve into the details of **cyclical properties** and other aspects of **musical literature**

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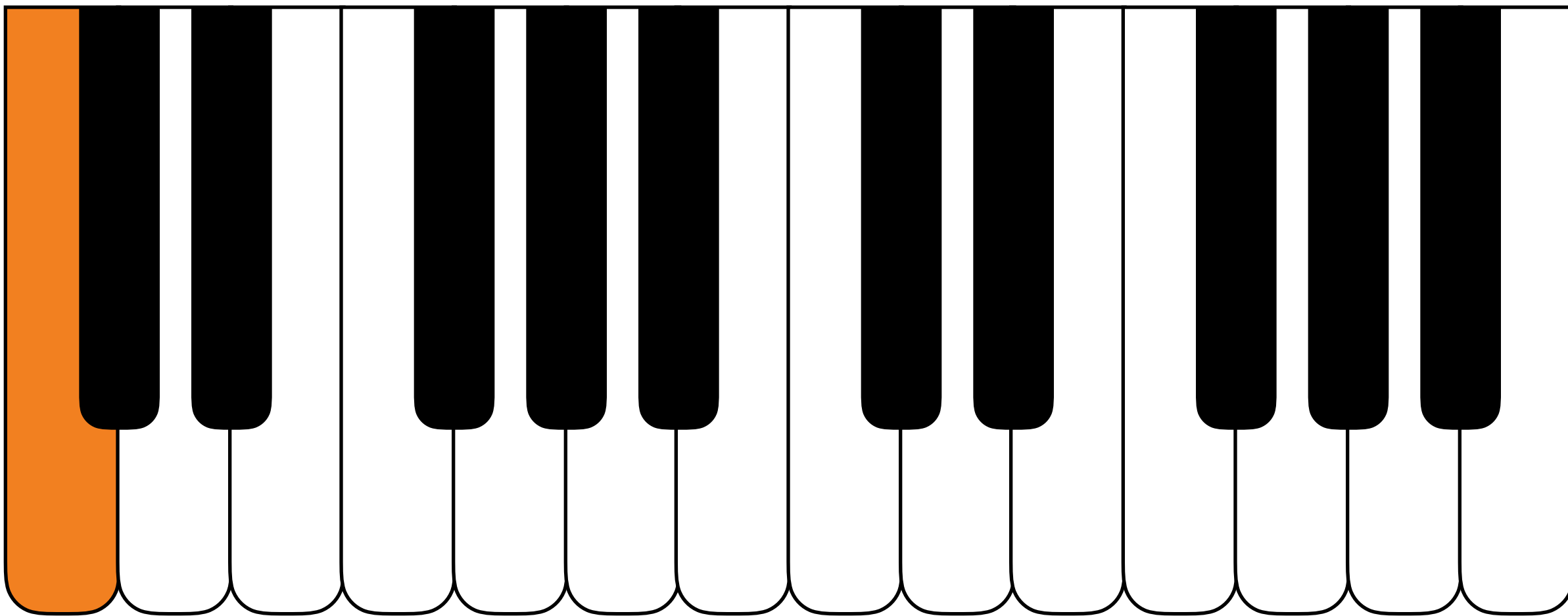


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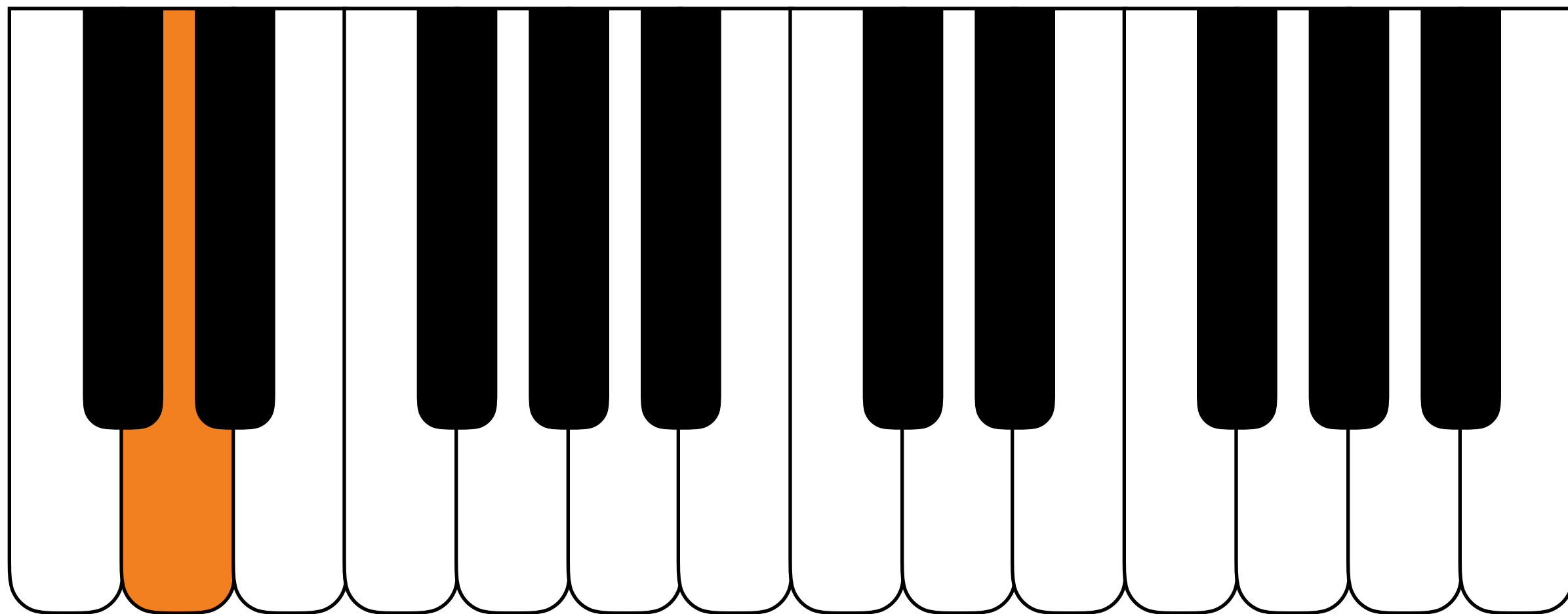
C



Basis note of scale

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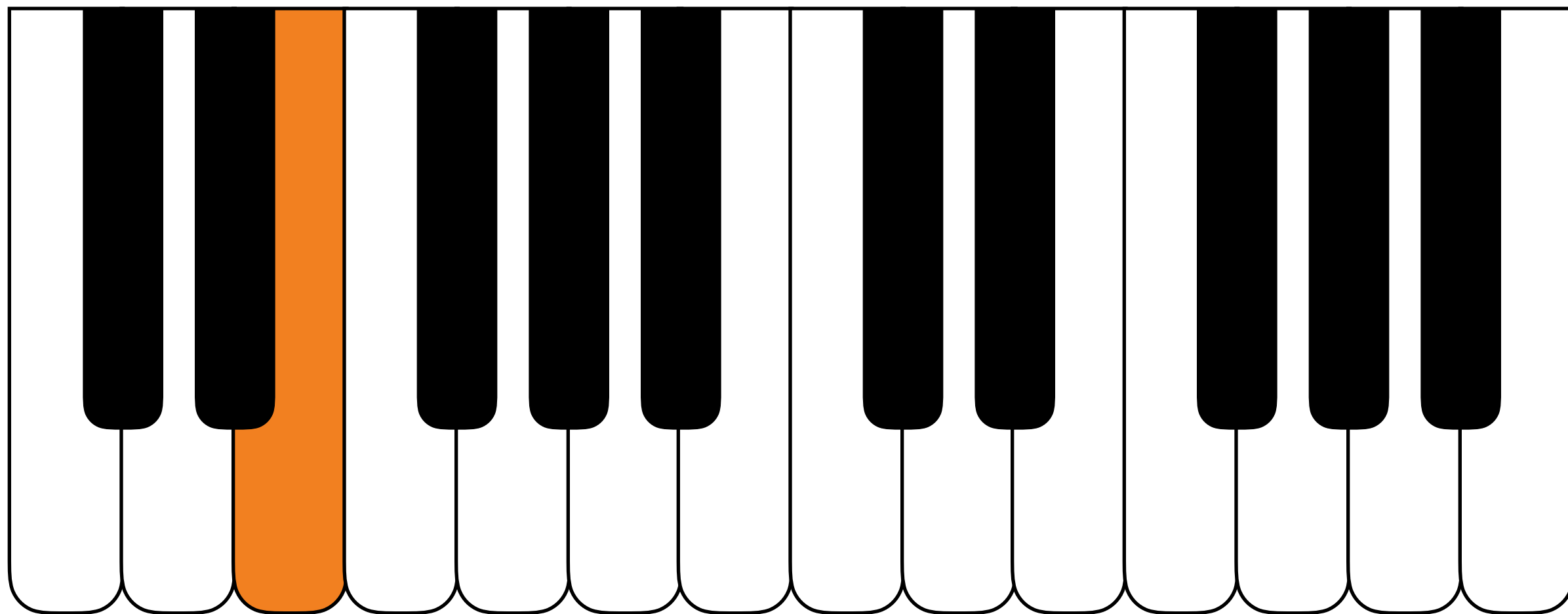
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Whole step up from C

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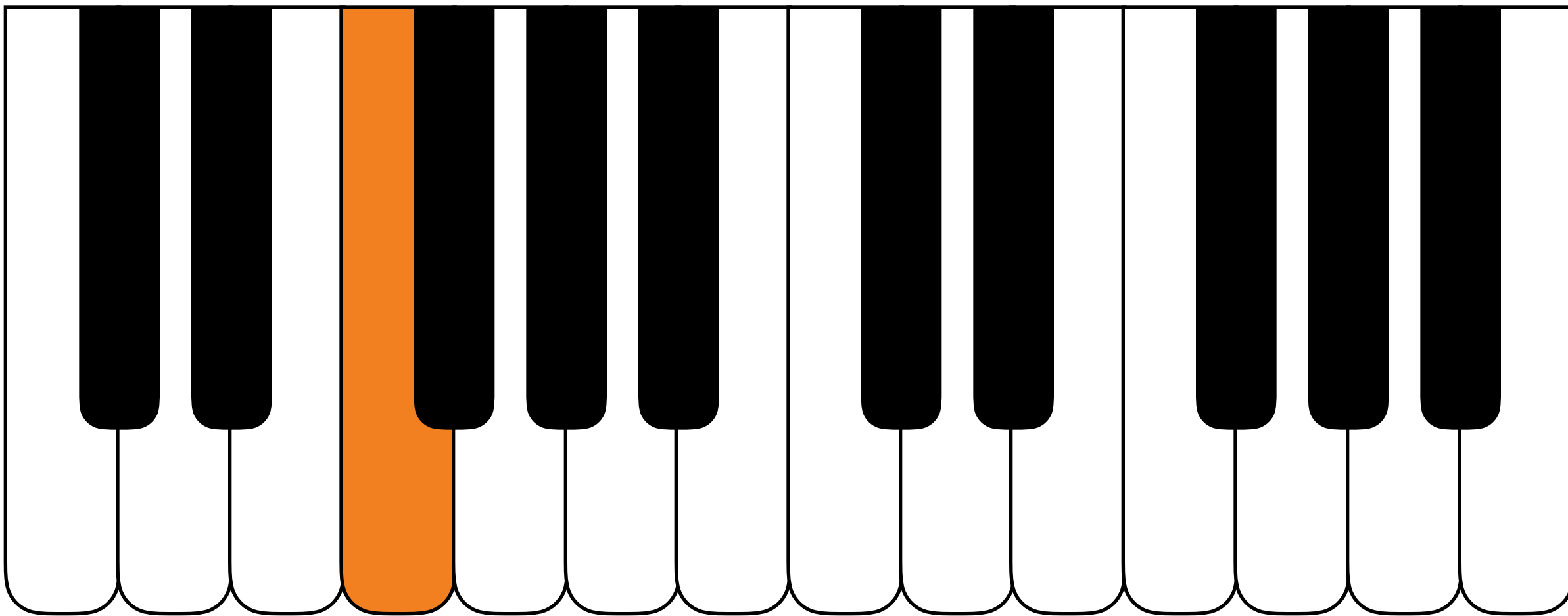
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Whole step up from *D*

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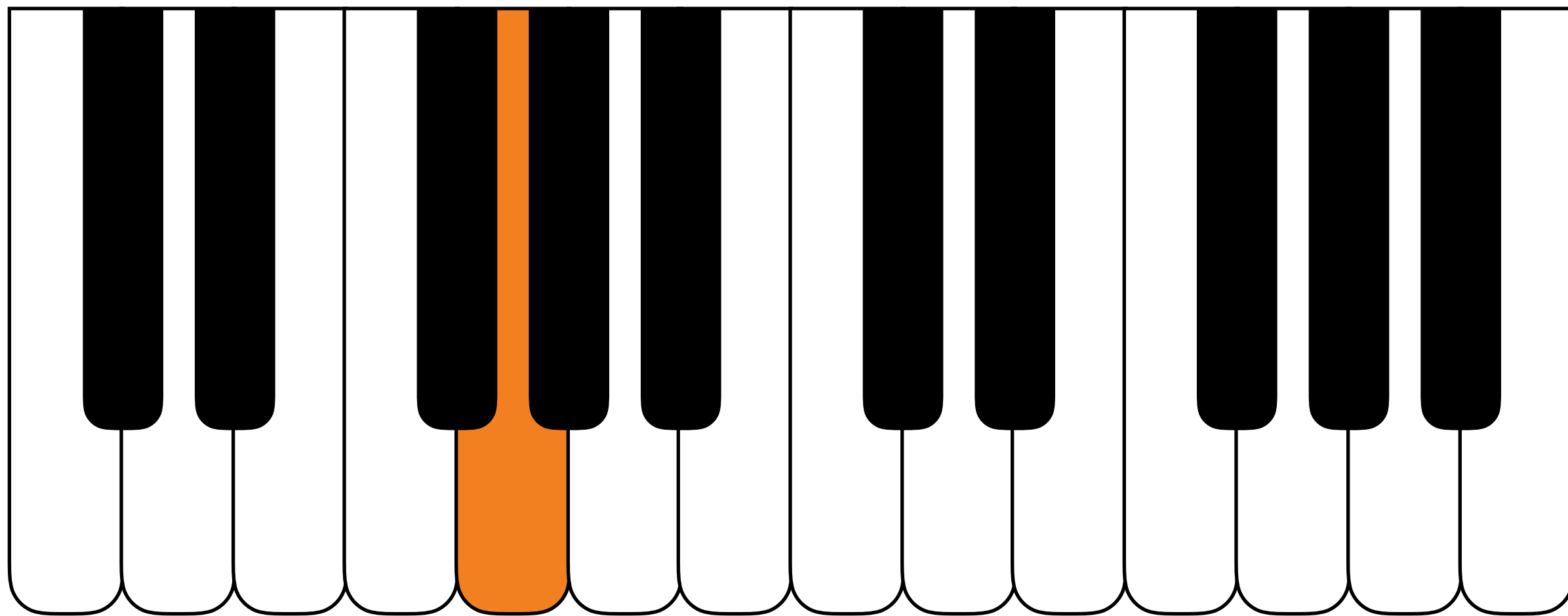
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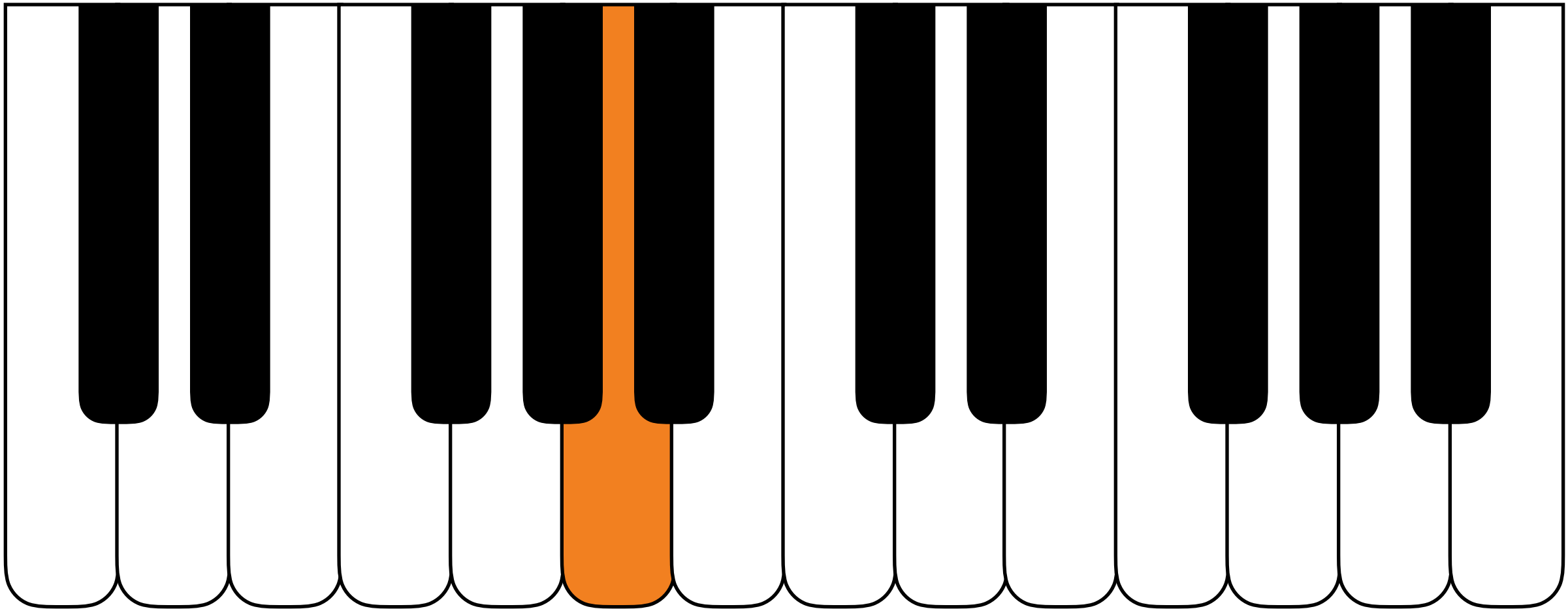
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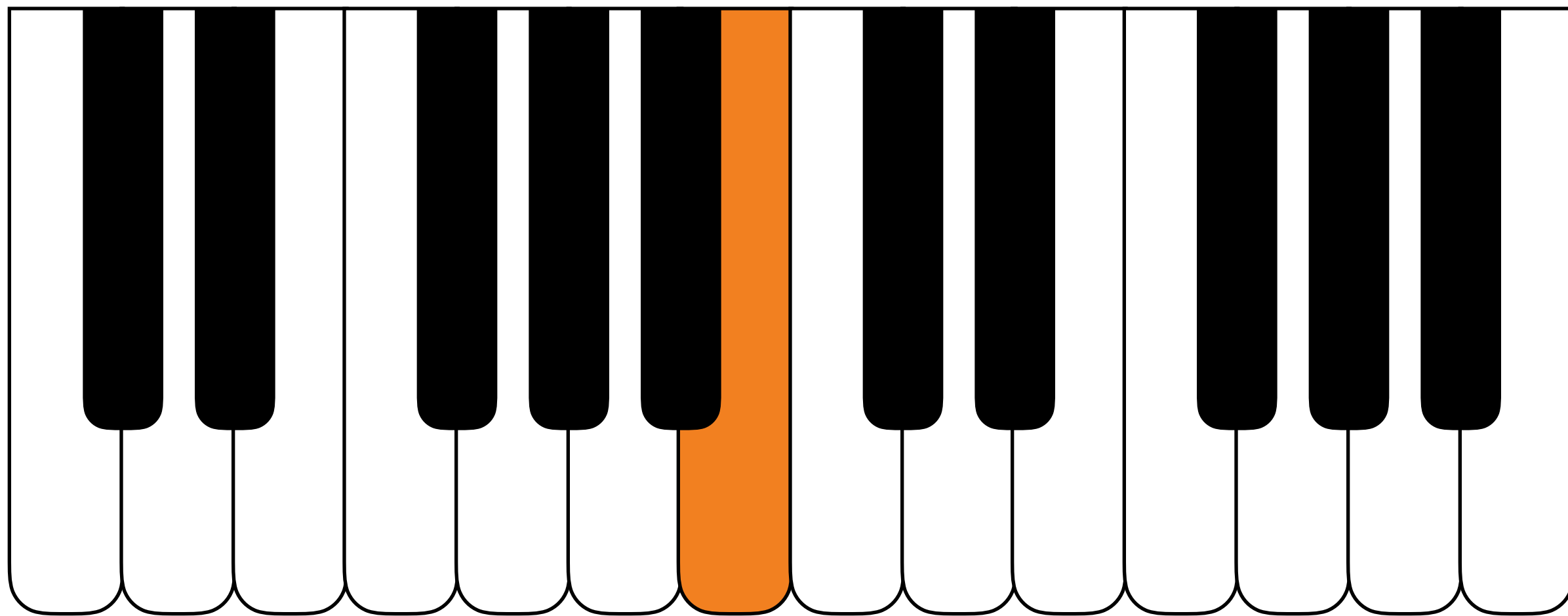
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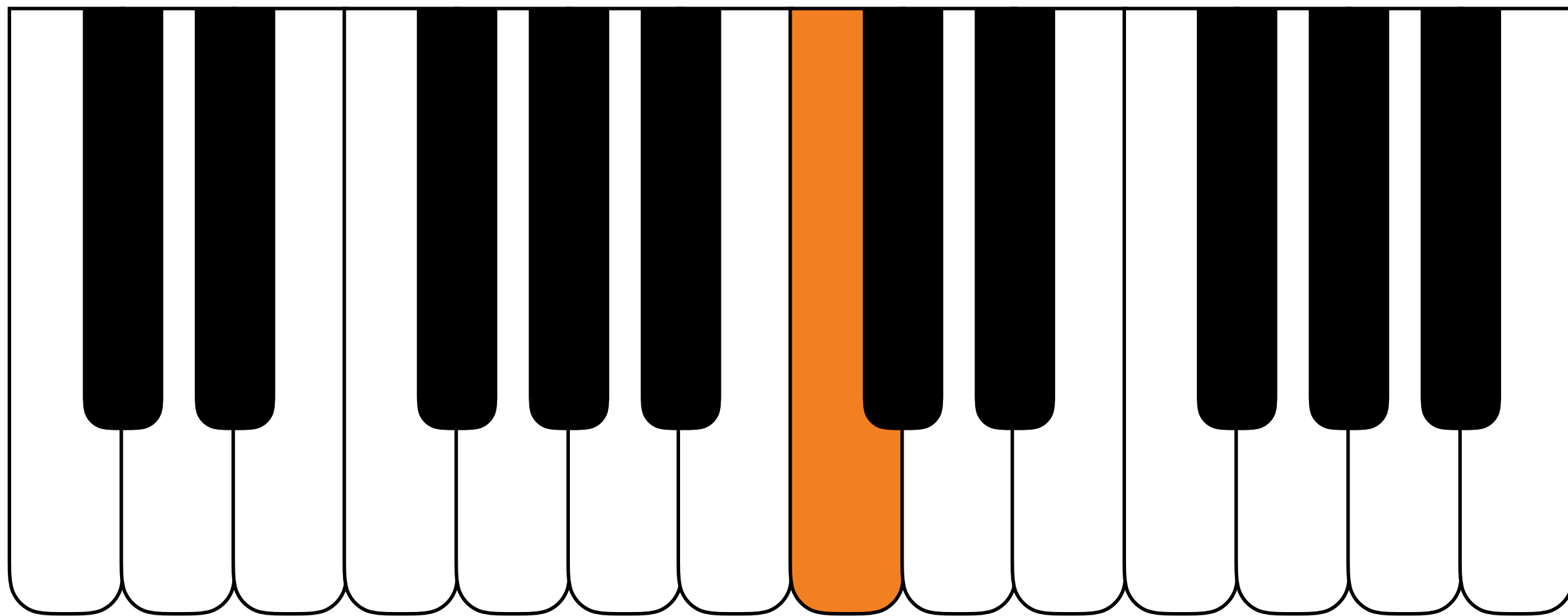
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Whole step up from *A*

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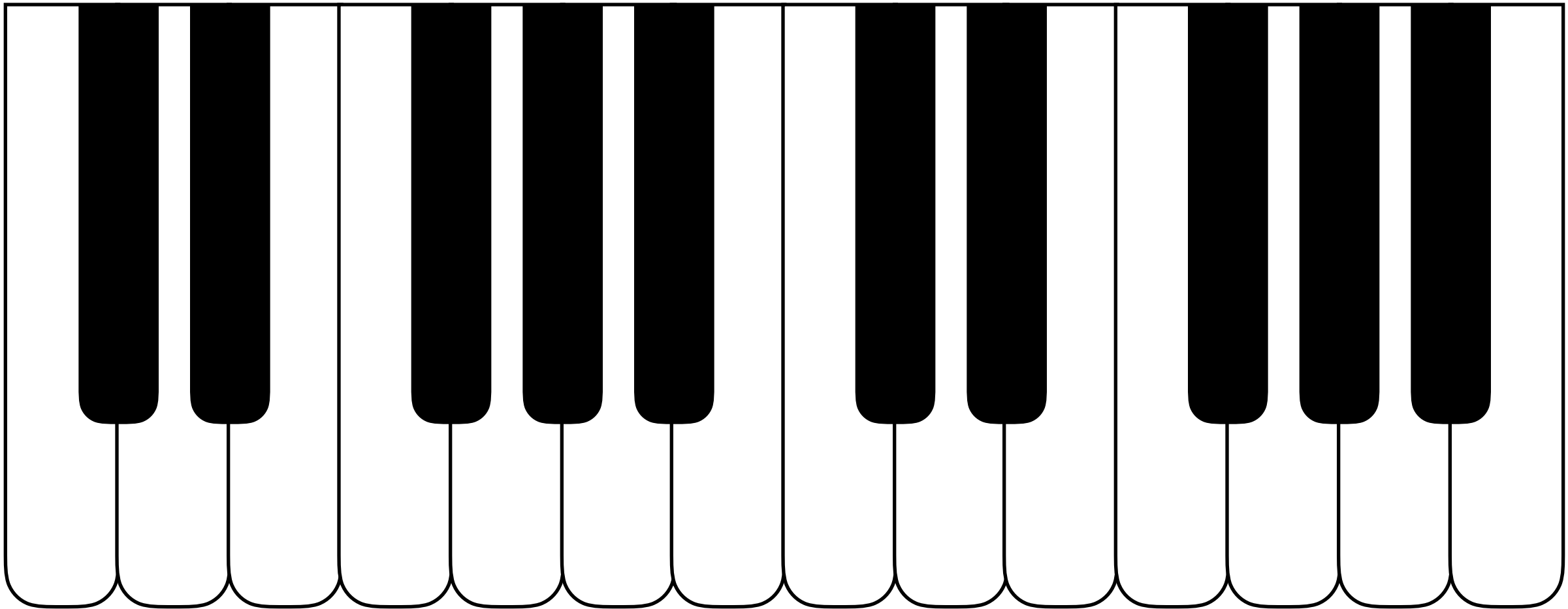
C^{8va}



Half step up from *B*

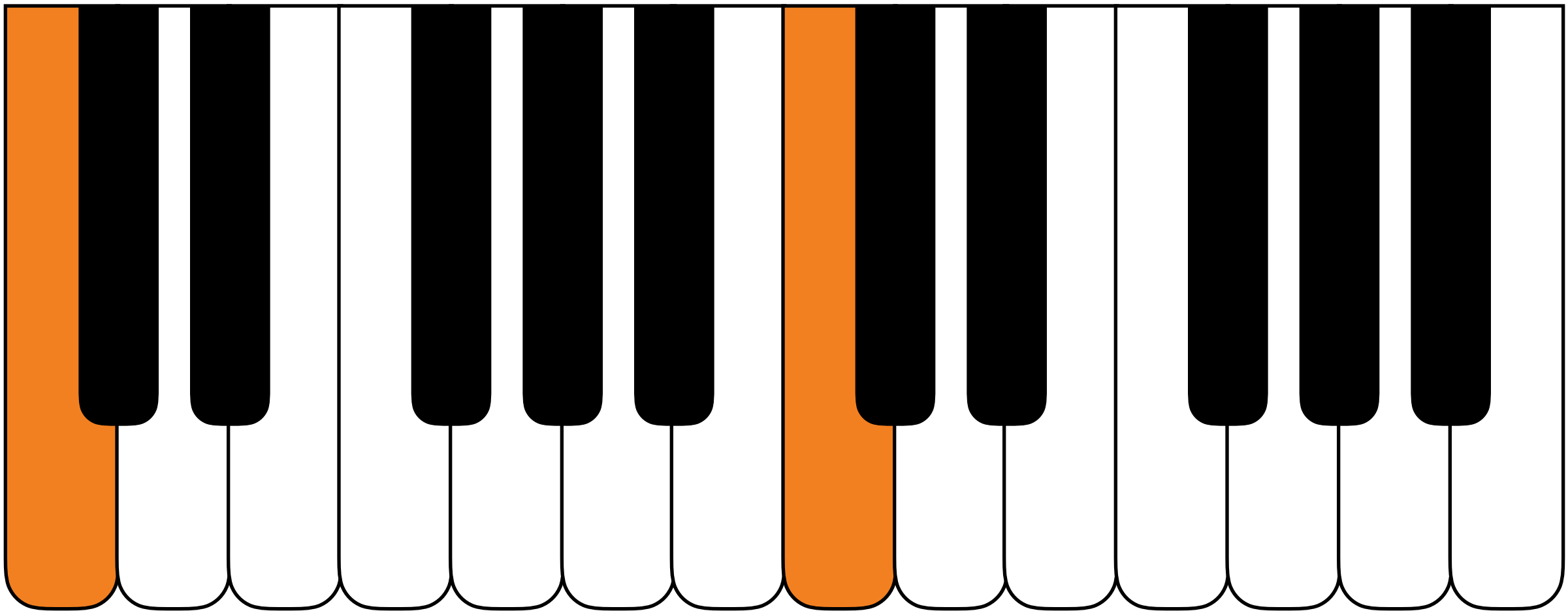
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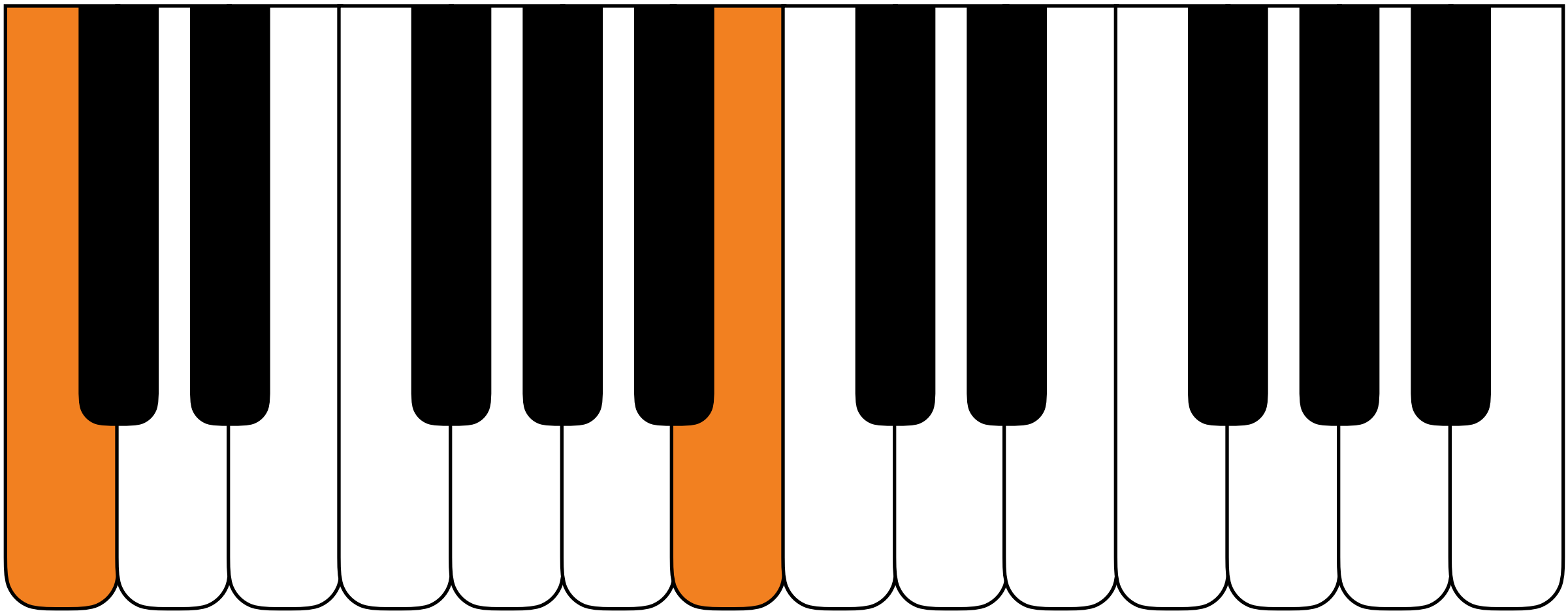
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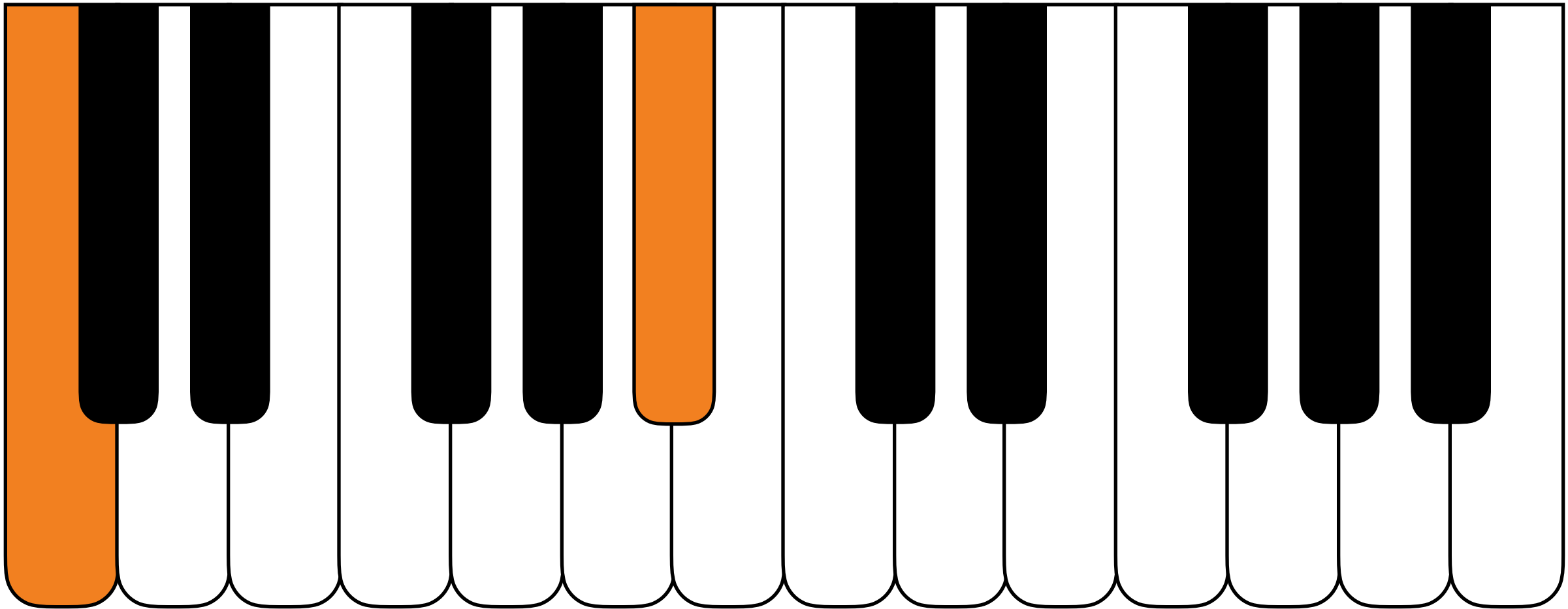
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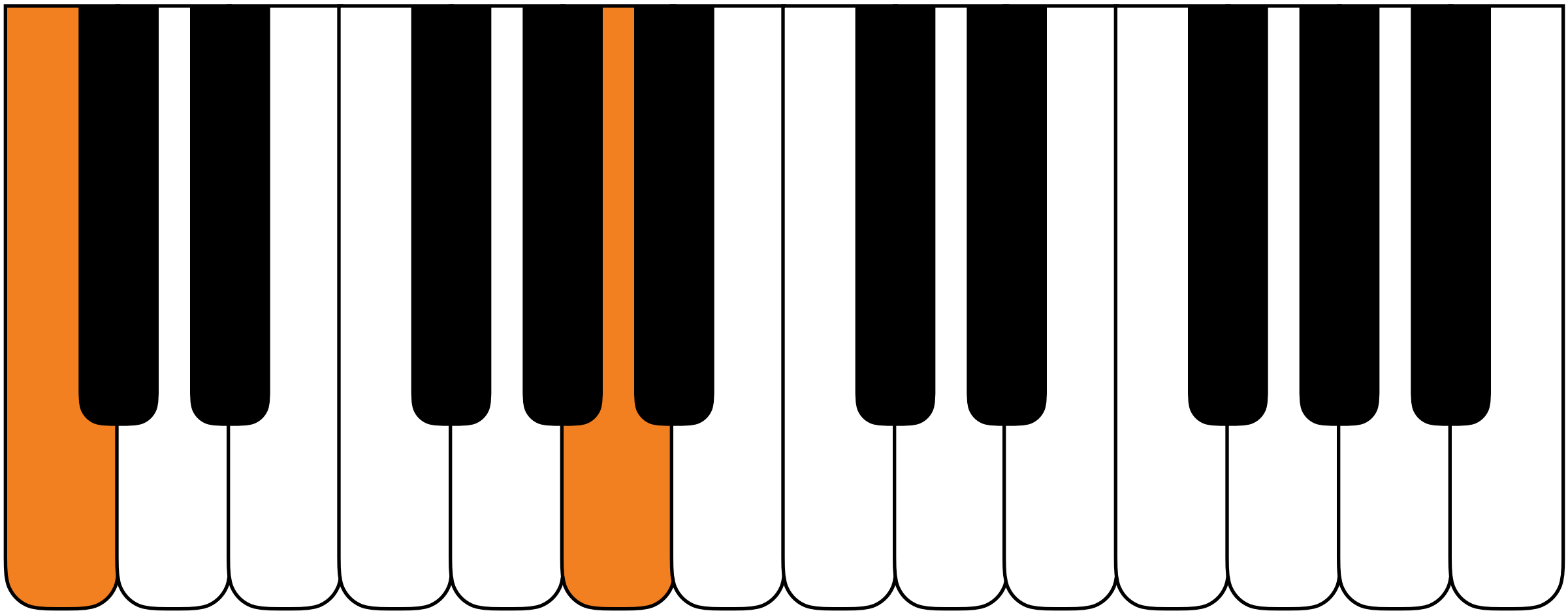
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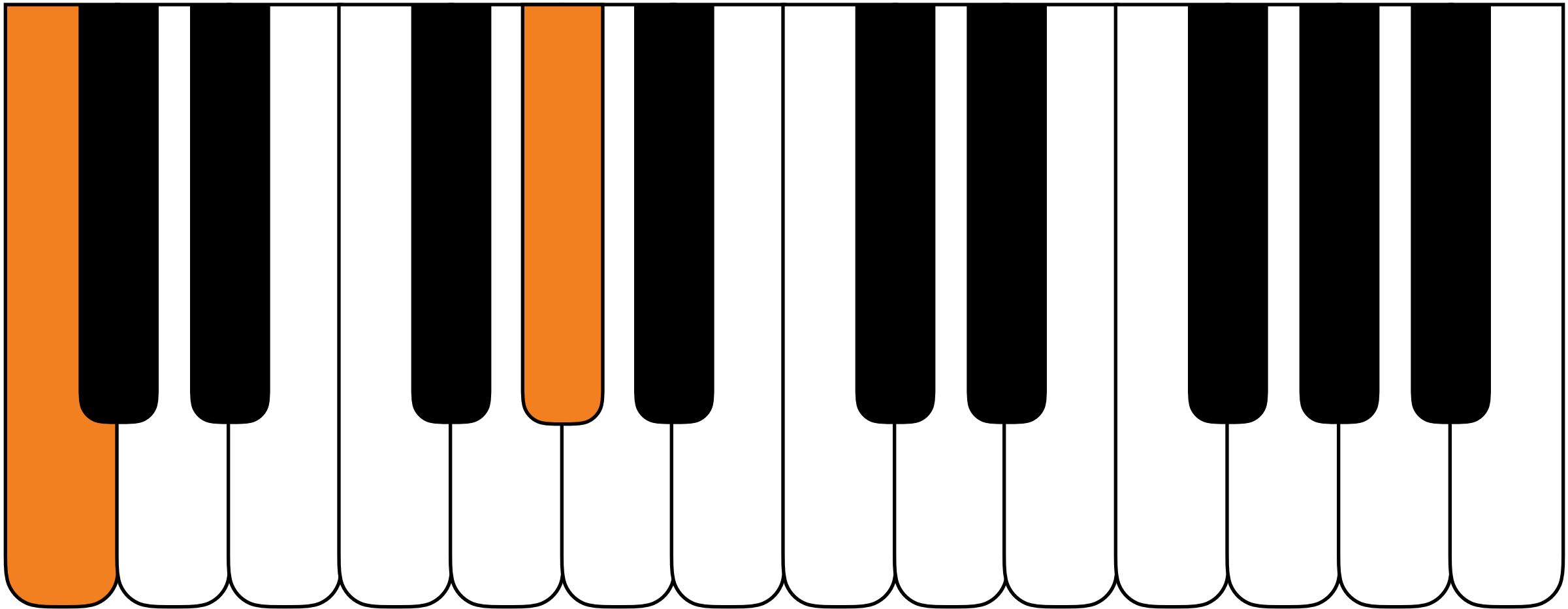
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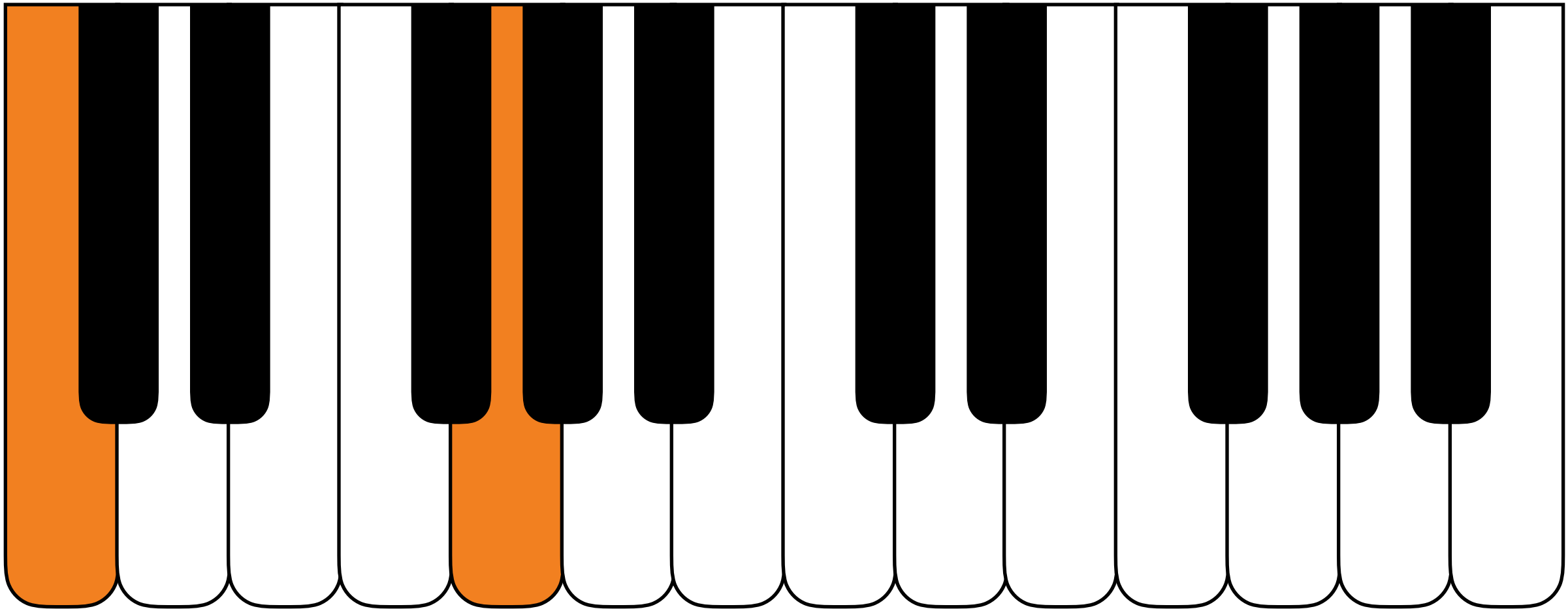
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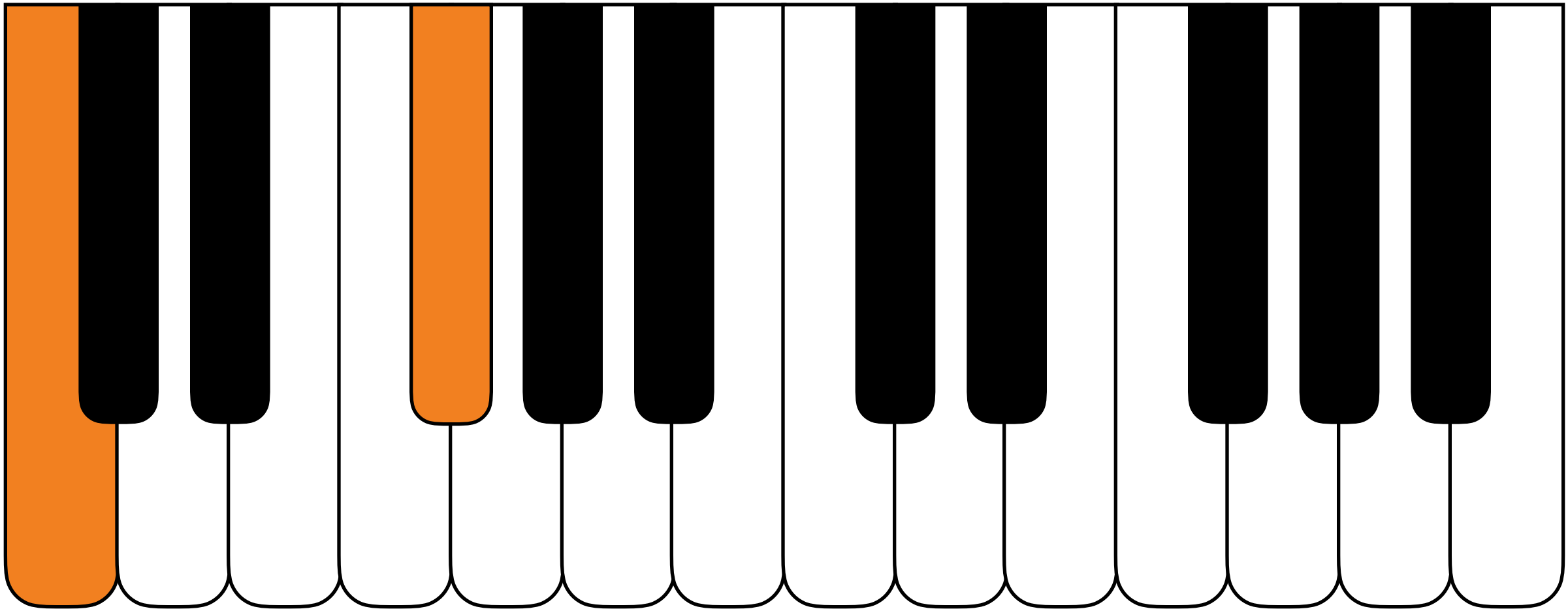
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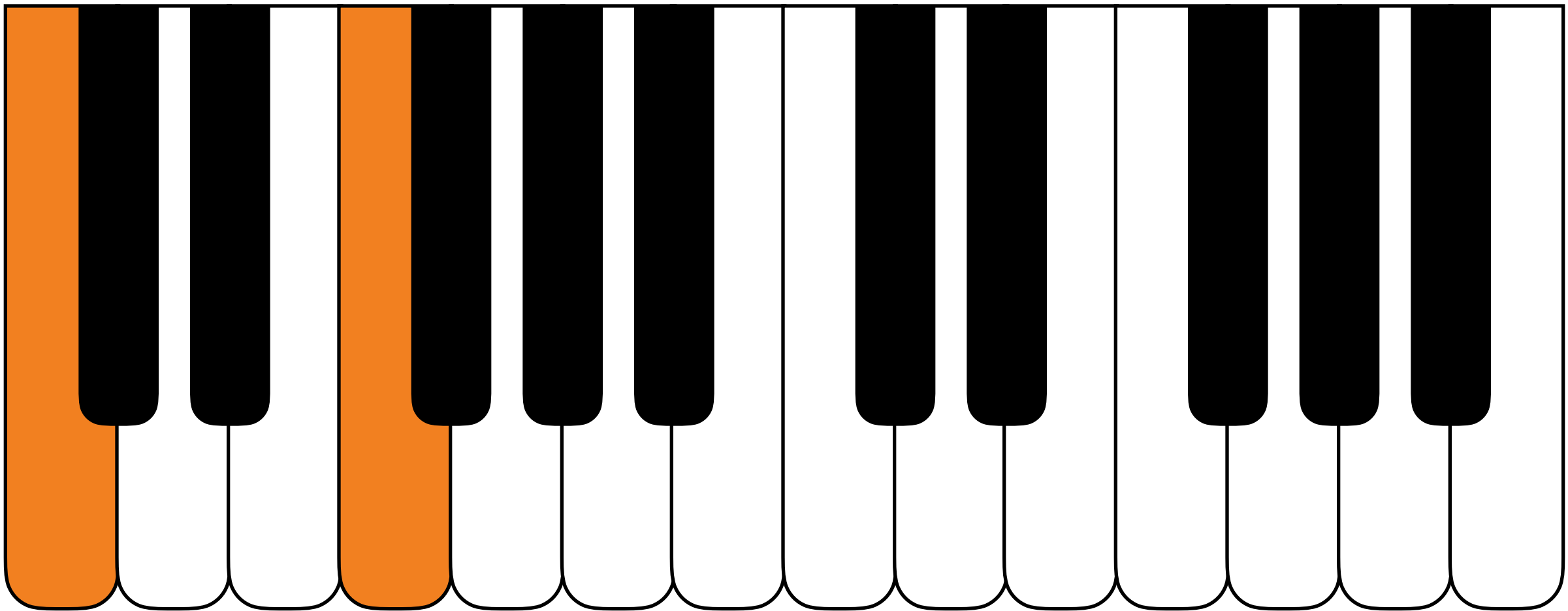
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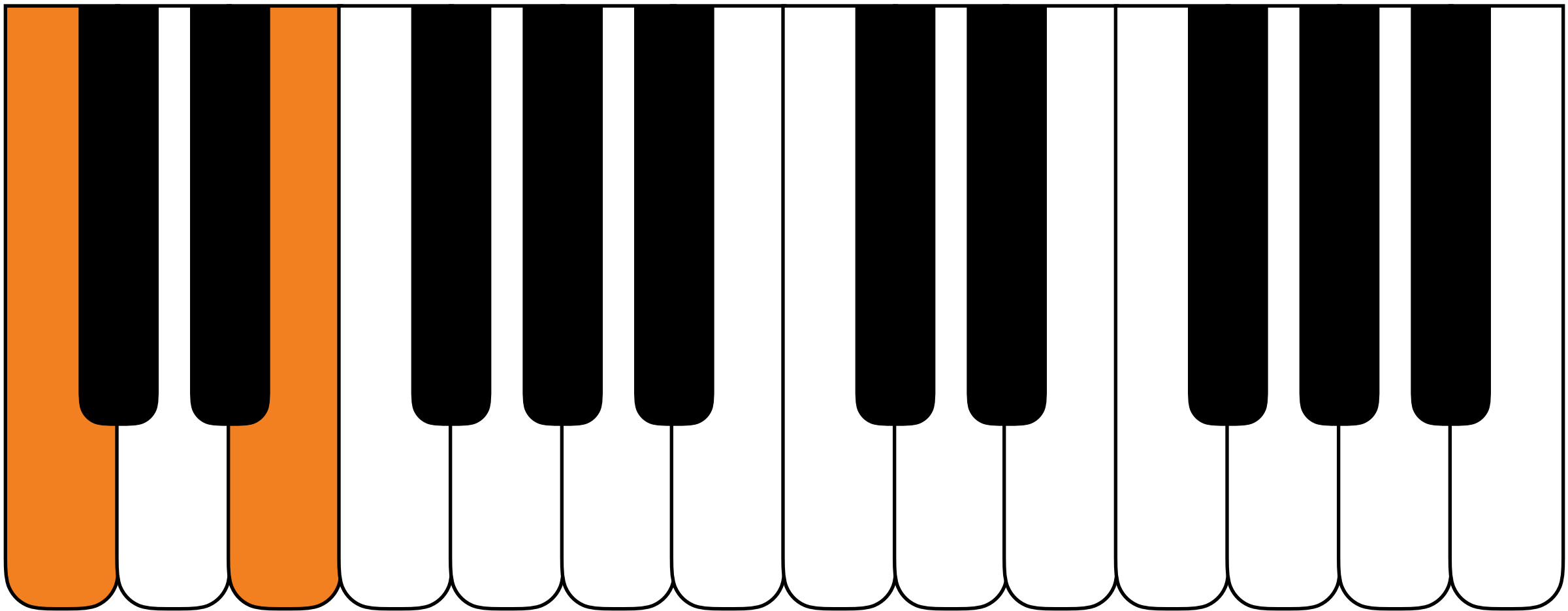
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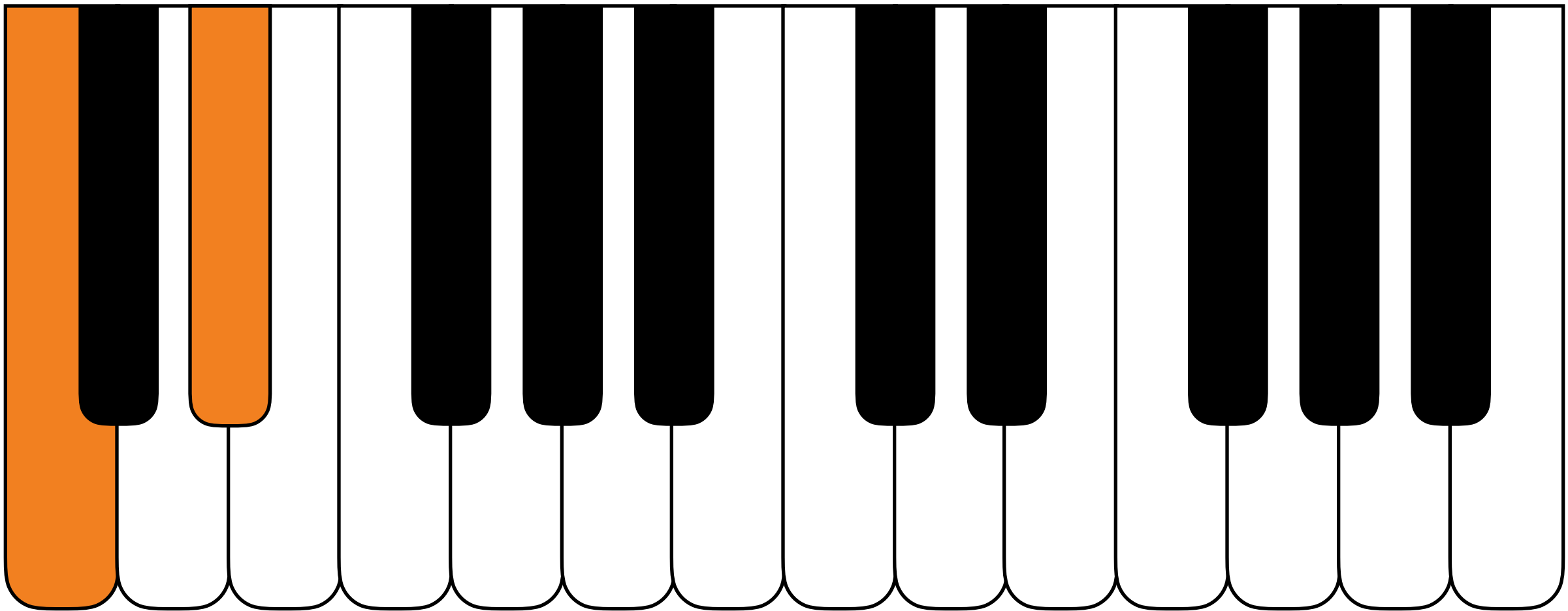
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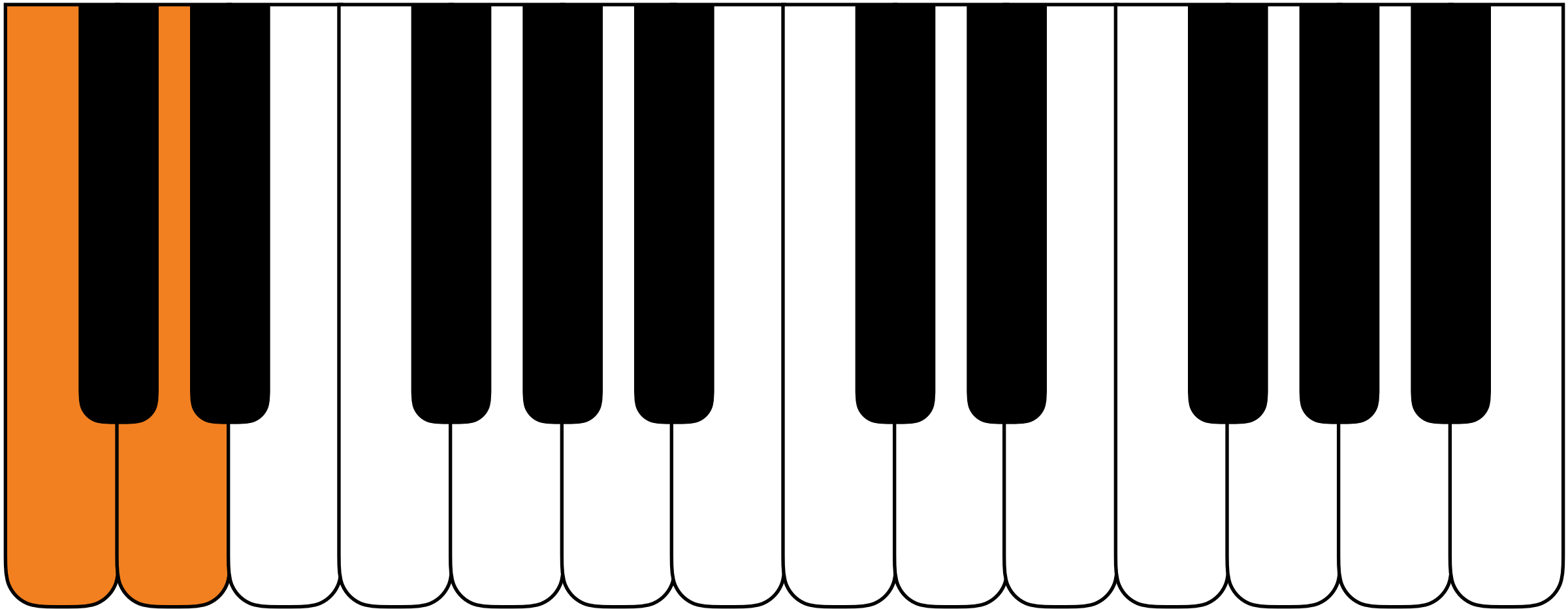
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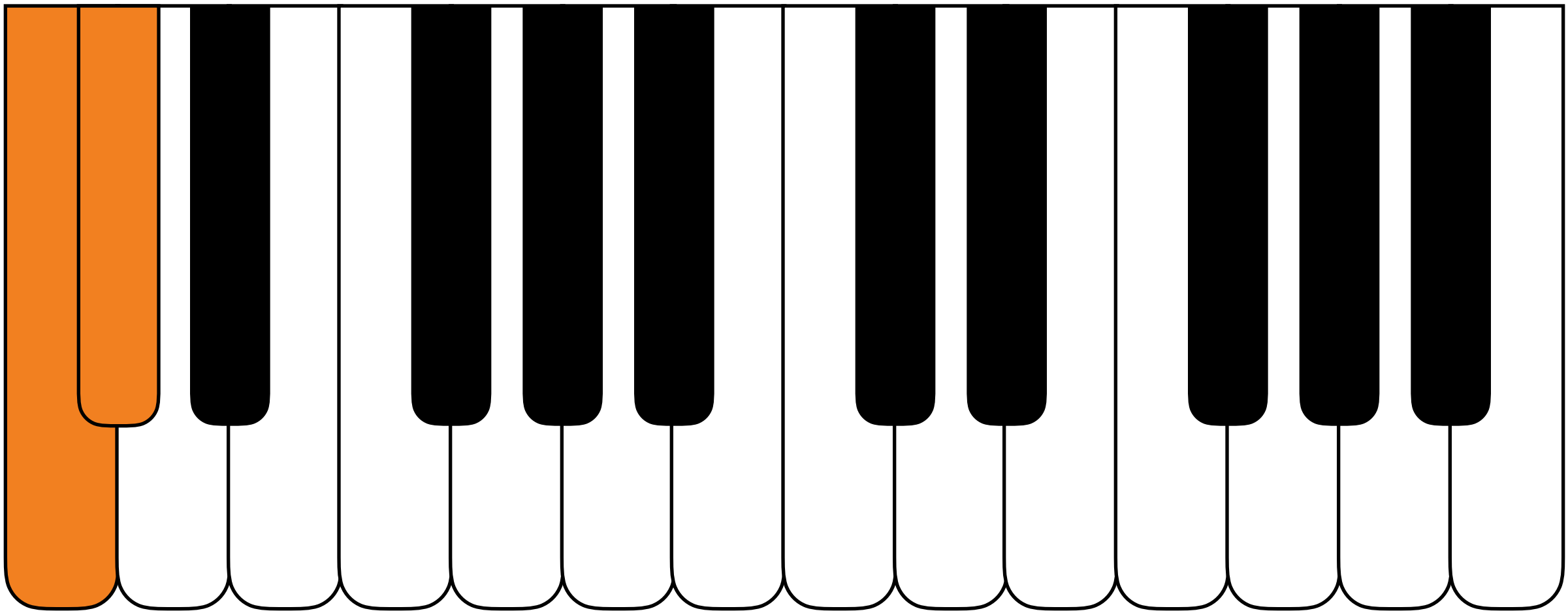
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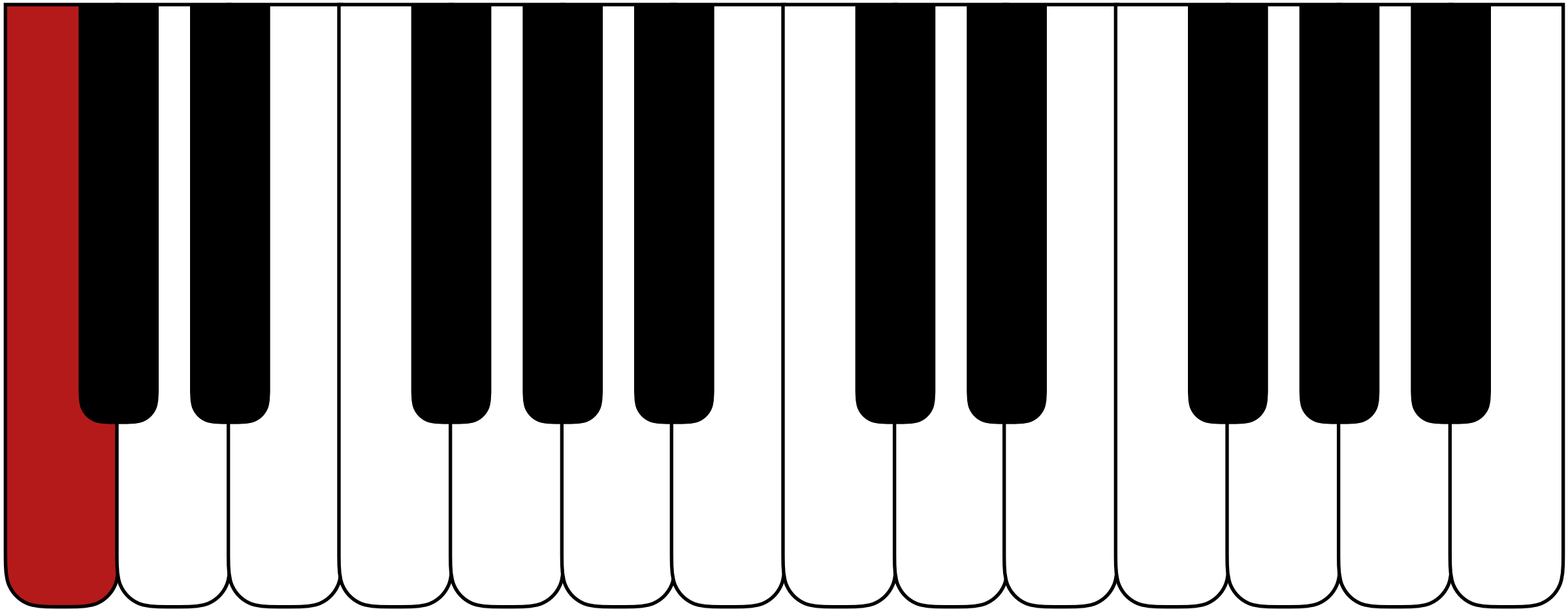
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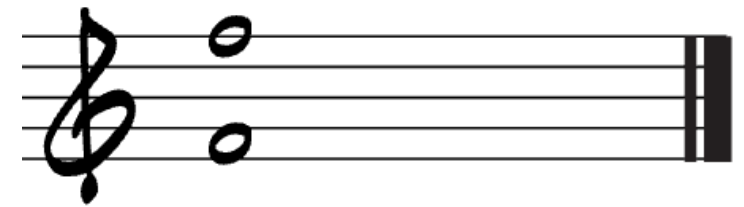


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 - All other distances are *isomorphic by translation* or by *modulo 12*
- What do we call these intervals?
 - Each one has a certain distance apart in *half-steps*
 - Does each have a **unique** name?
 - Yes!

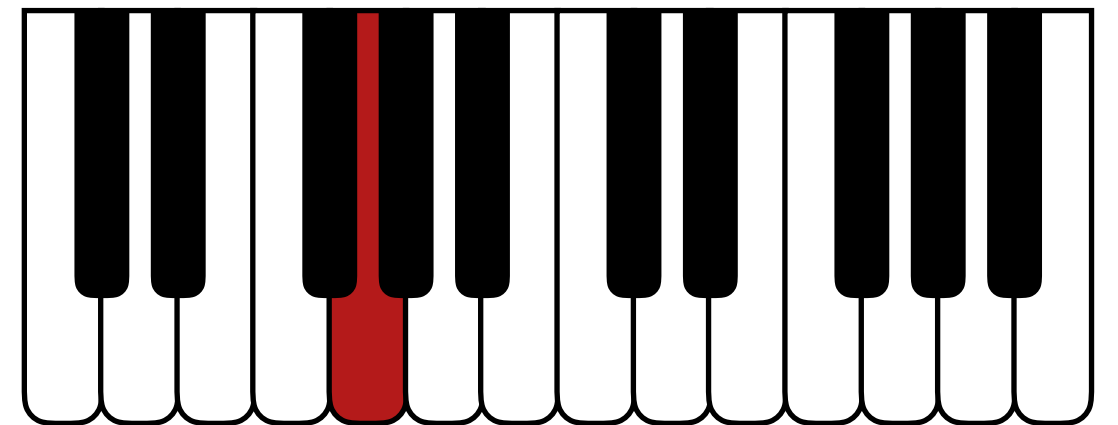
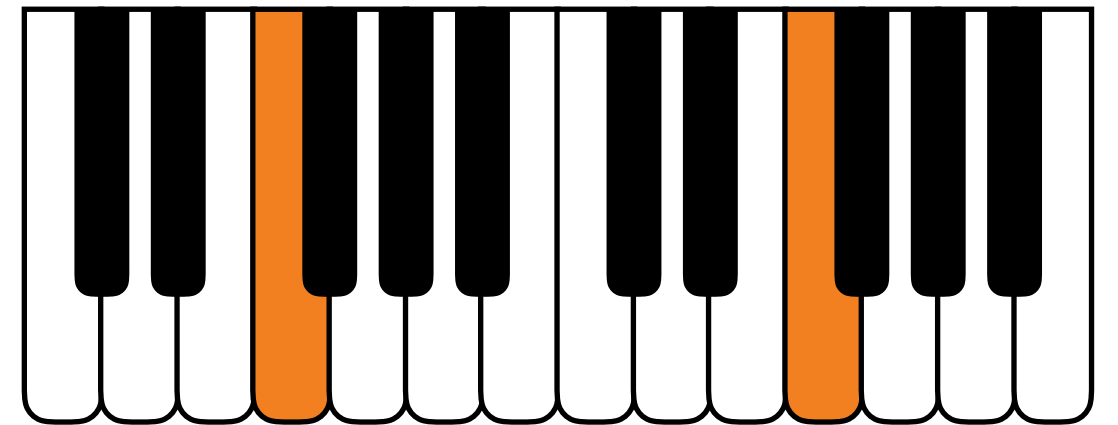
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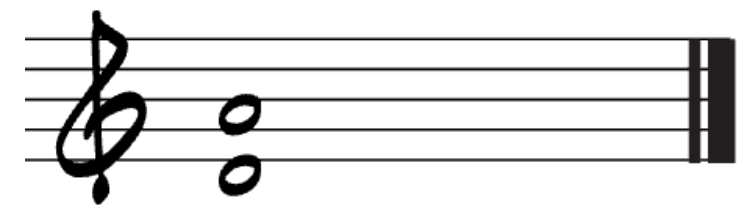
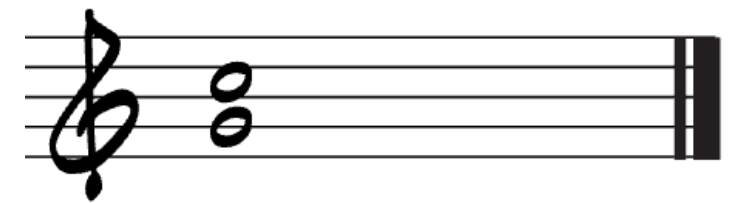
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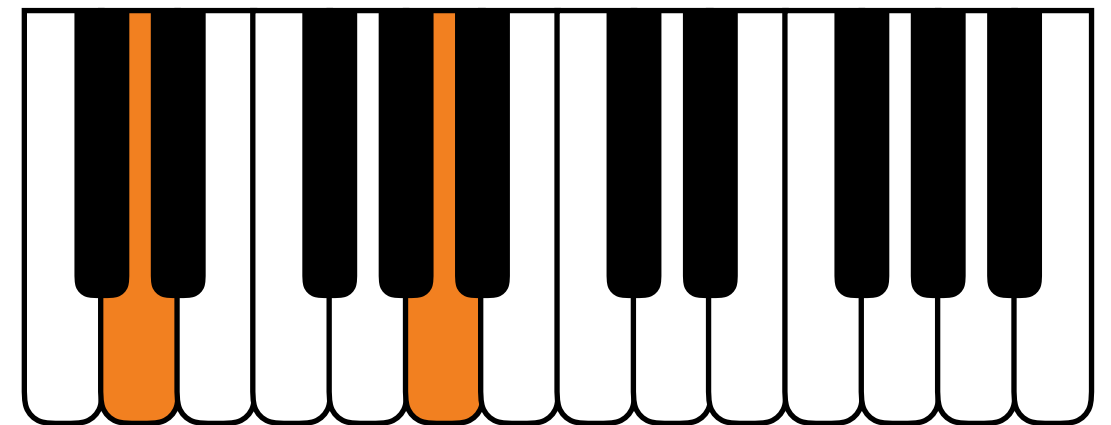
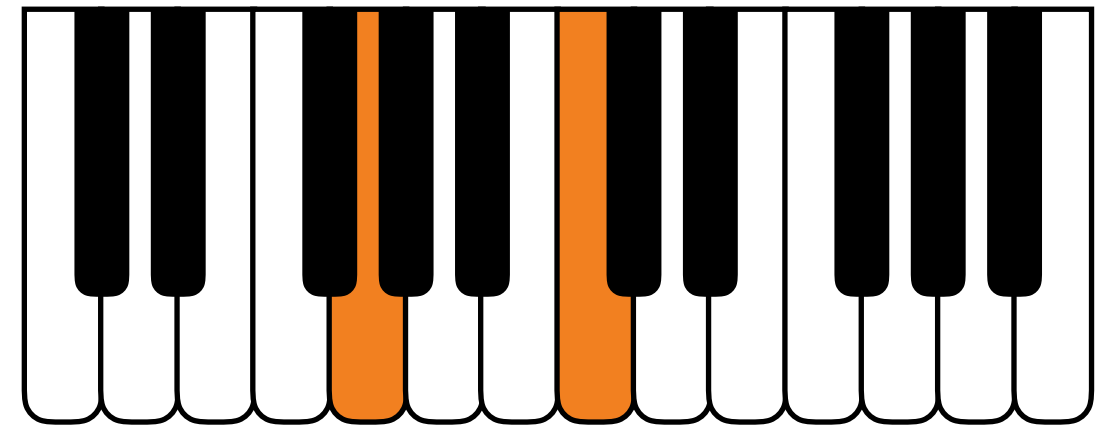
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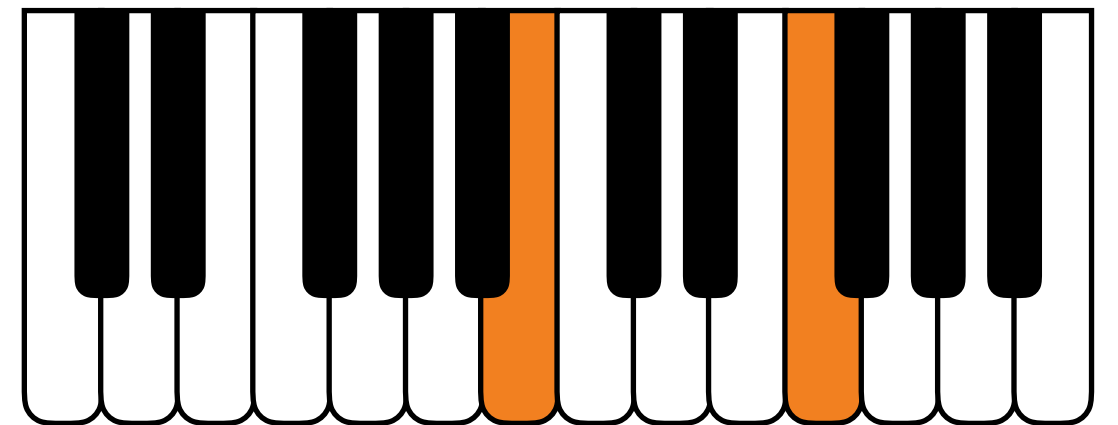
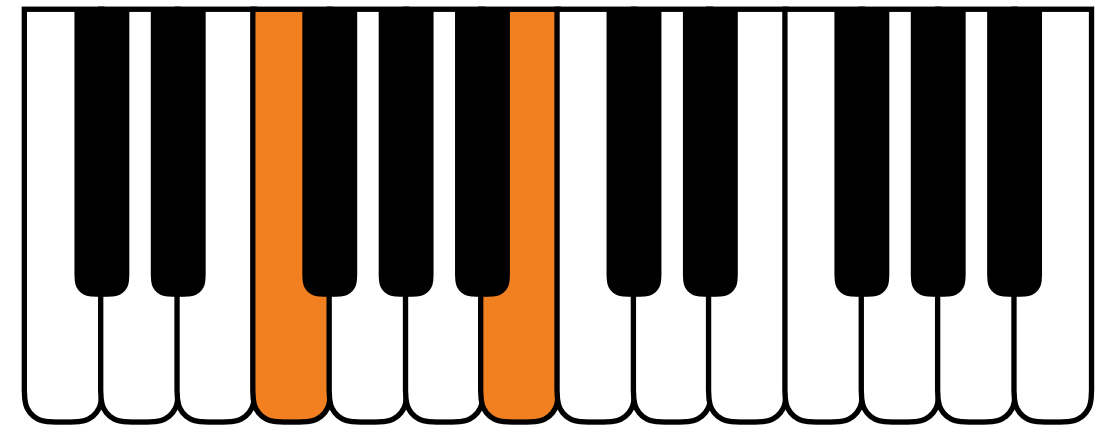
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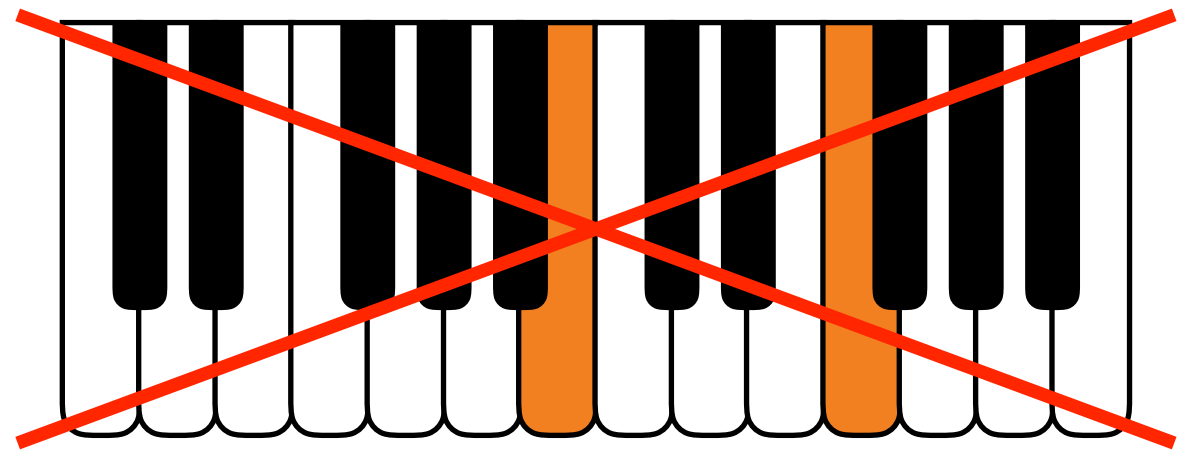
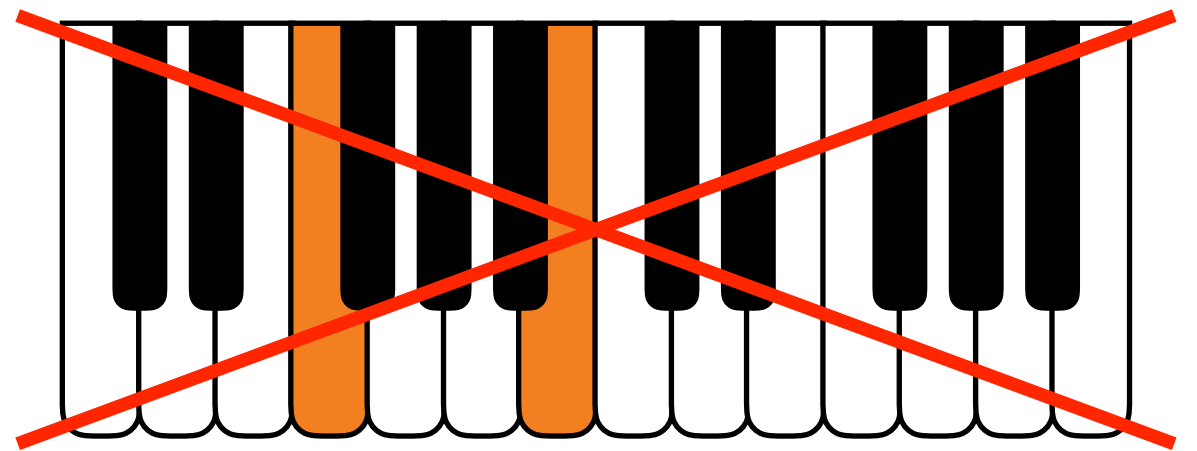
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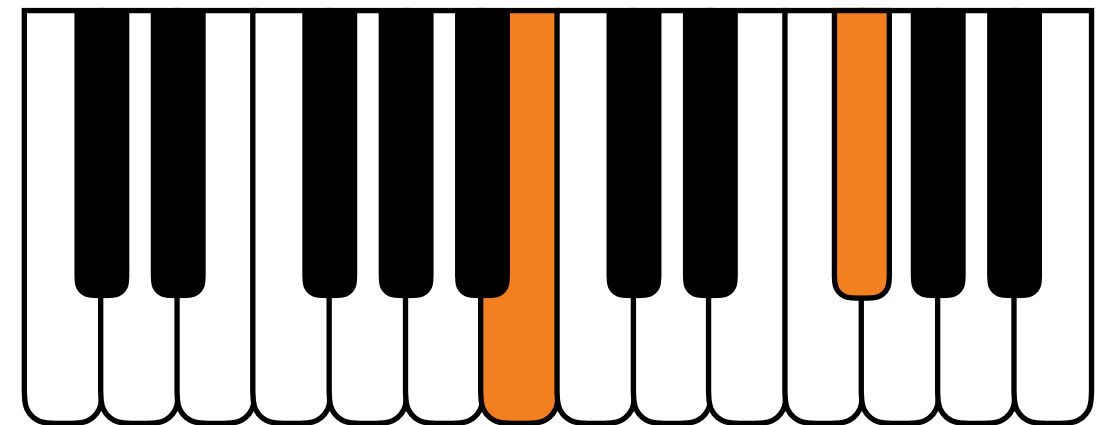
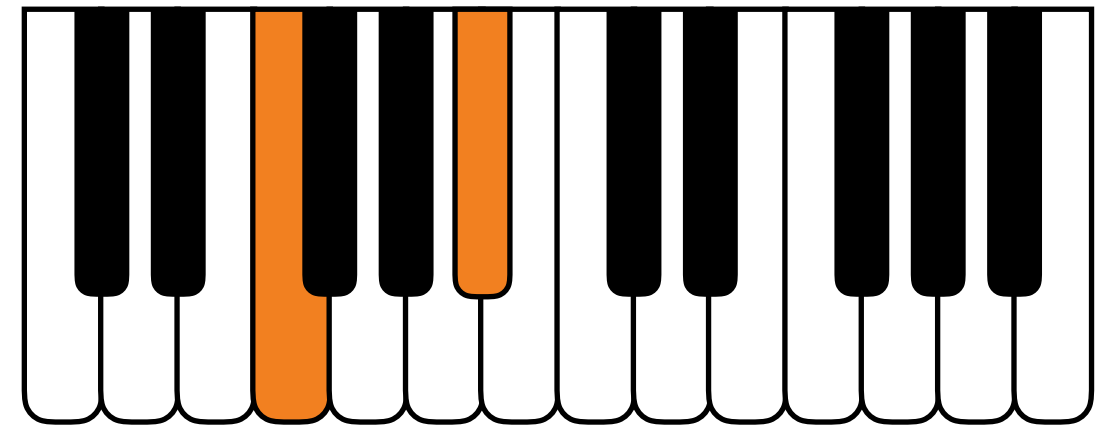
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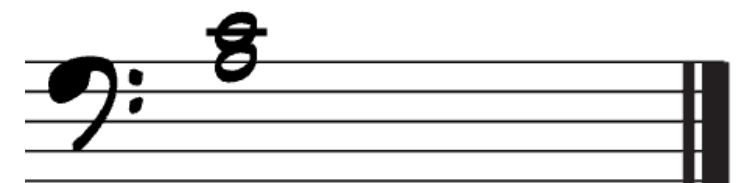
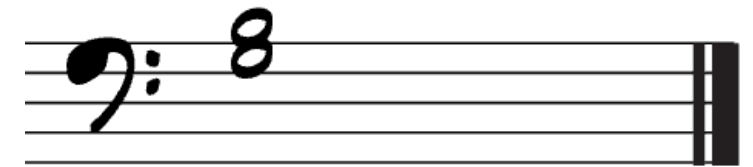
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 - *Minor third*



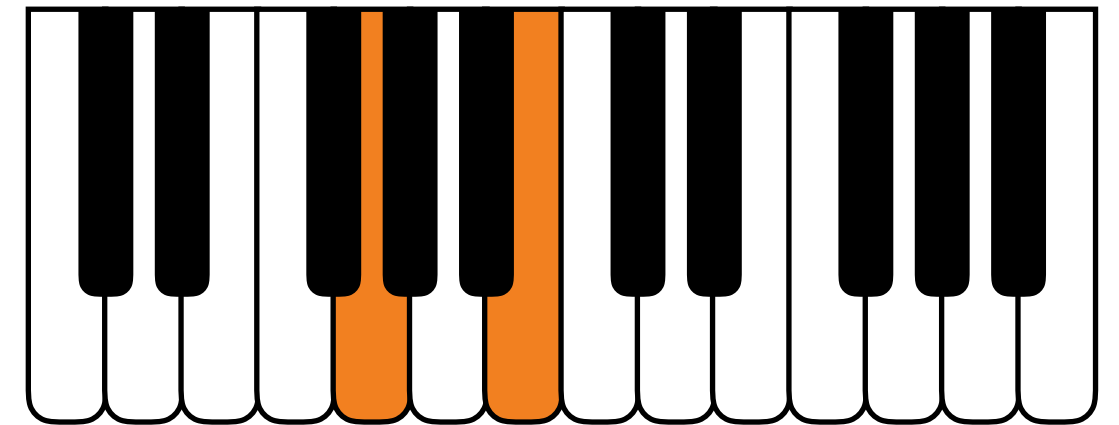
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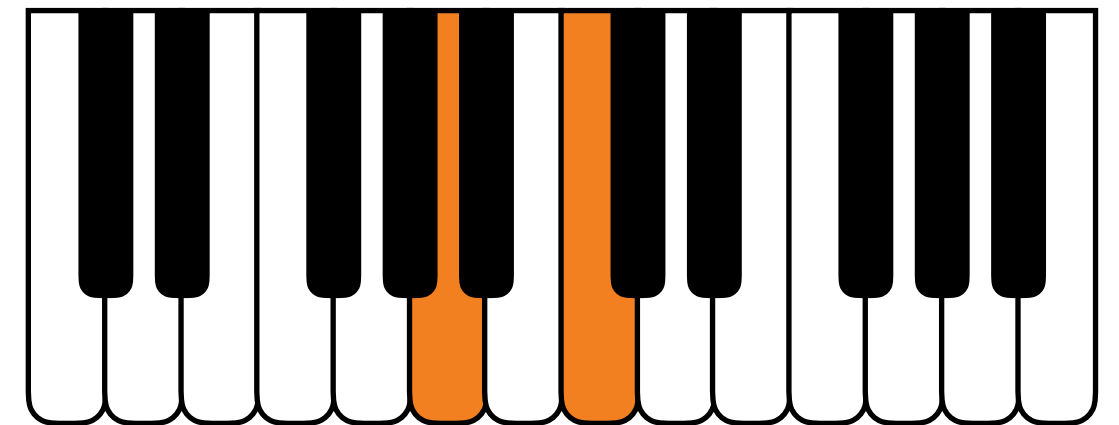


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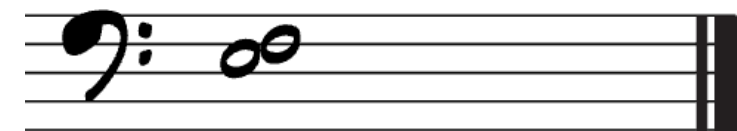
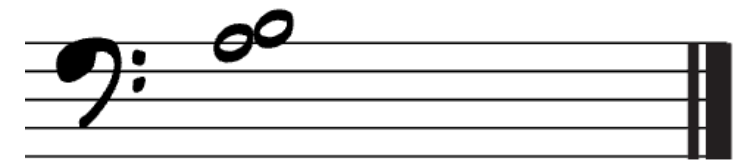
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- *Minor third*



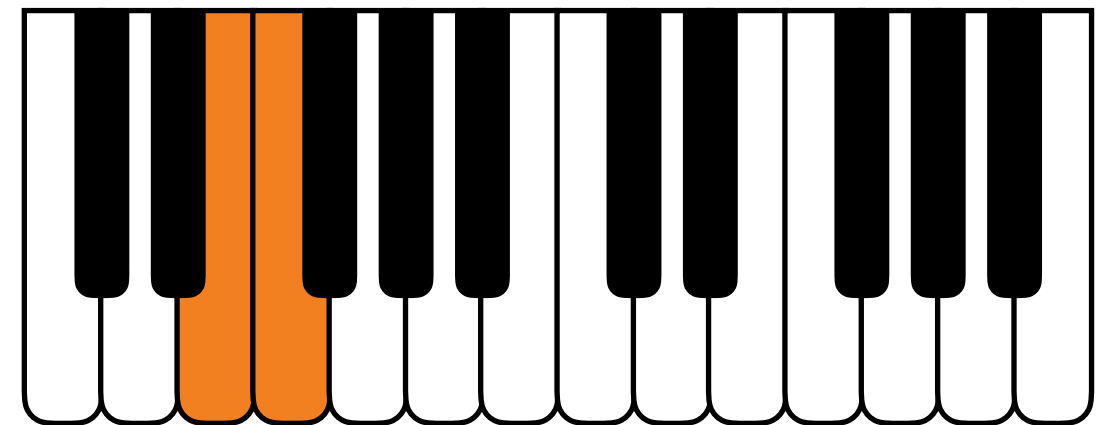
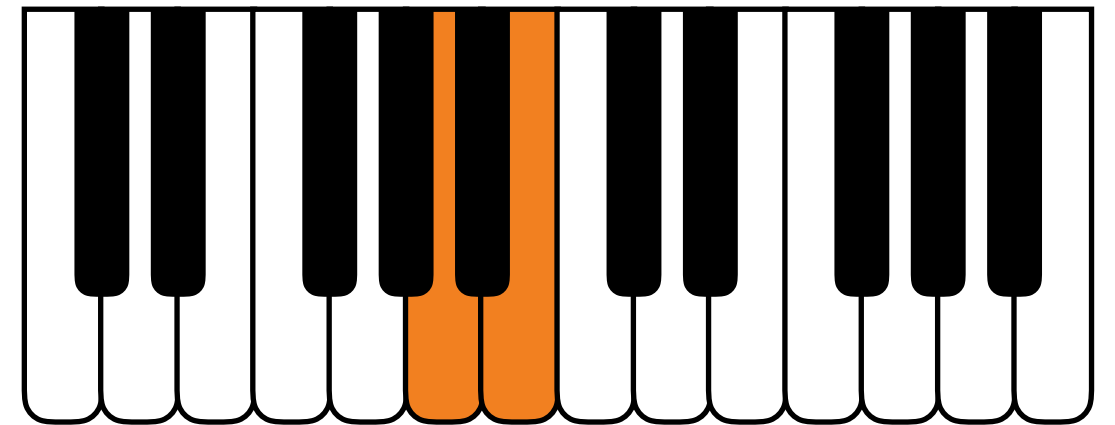
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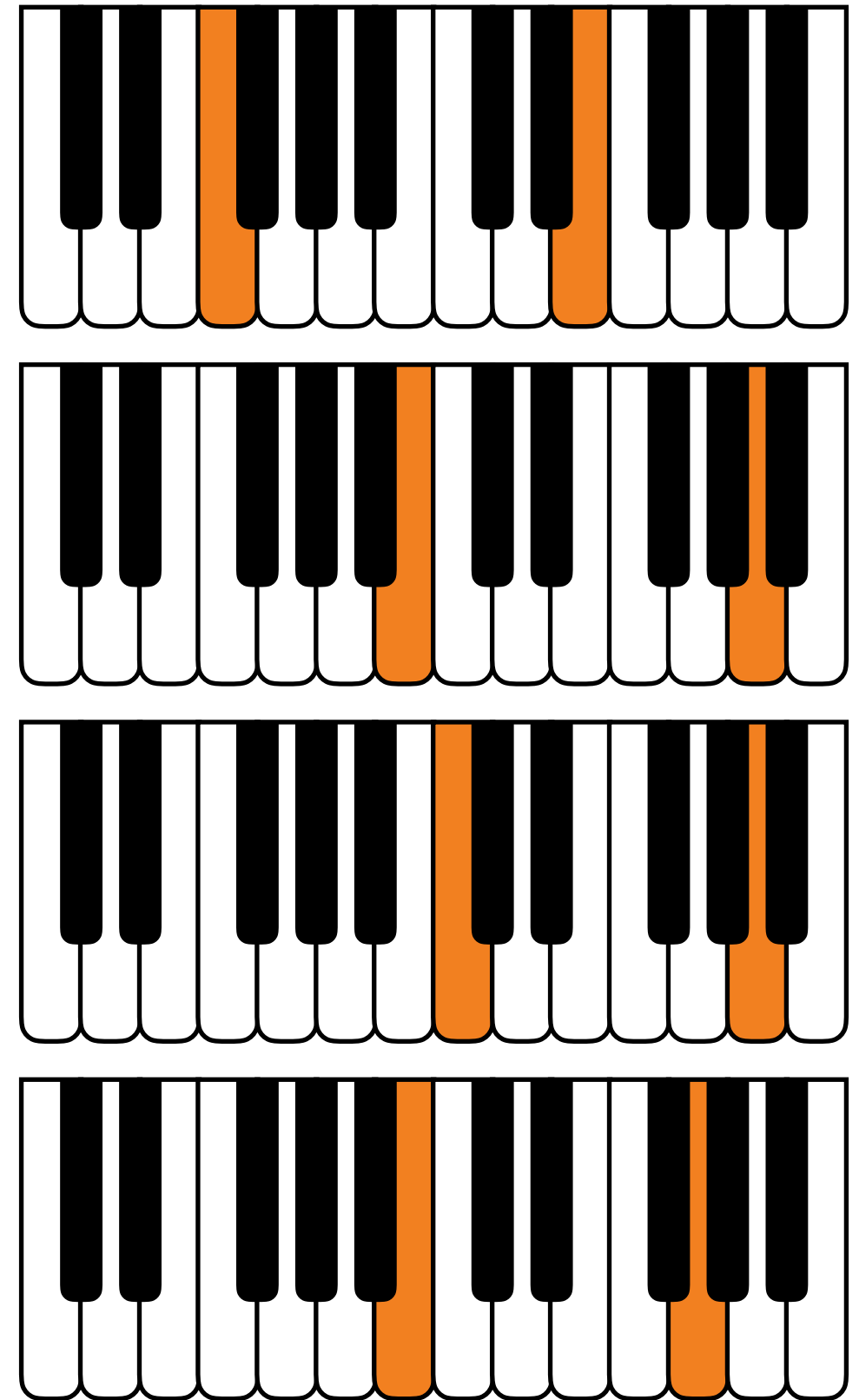
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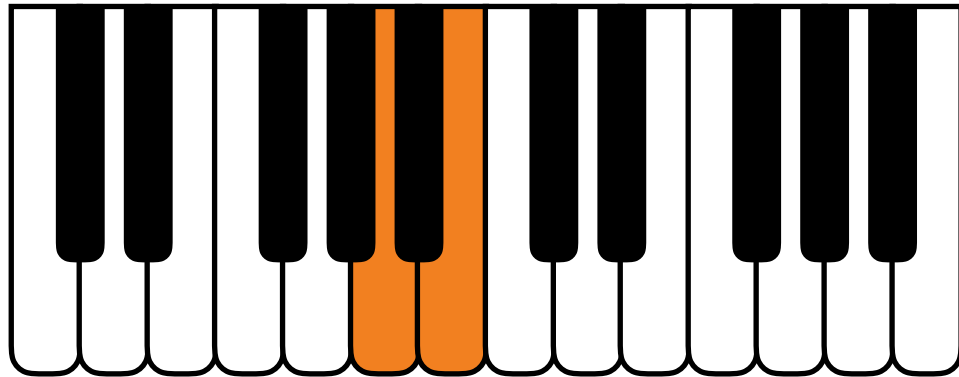
IMPERFECT INTERVALS

- At a distance of 11 half-steps apart:
 - Six notes apart
 - *Major seventh*
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 - Almost six notes apart
 - *Minor seventh*
- At a distance of 9 half-steps apart:
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 - *Major sixth*
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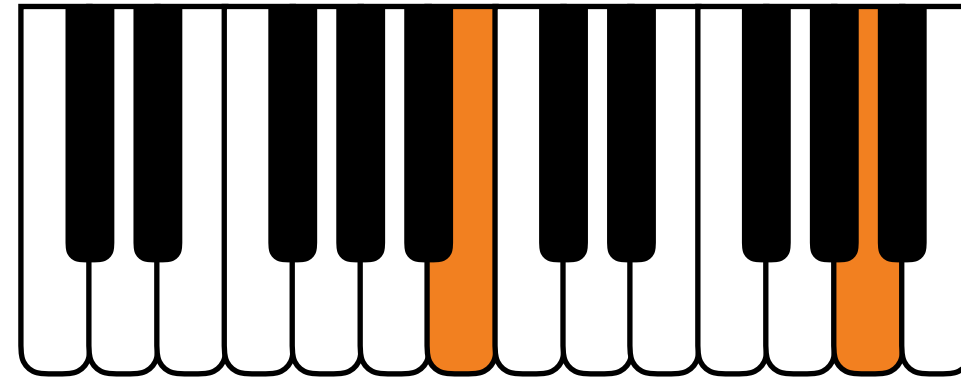


PRINCIPLE OF INVERSION

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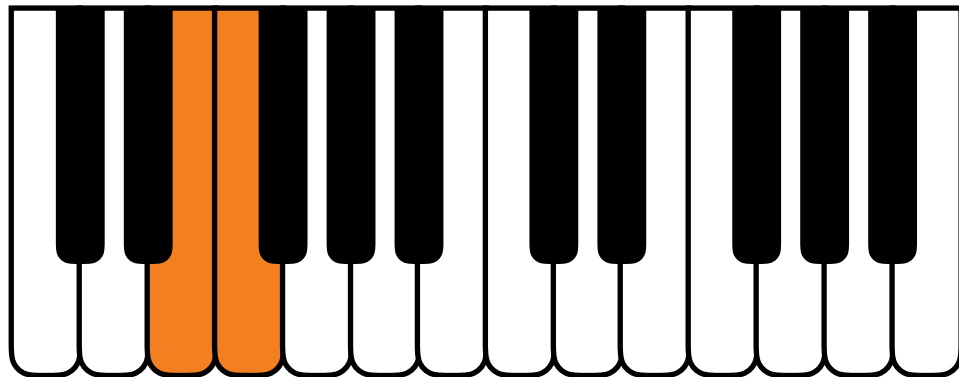


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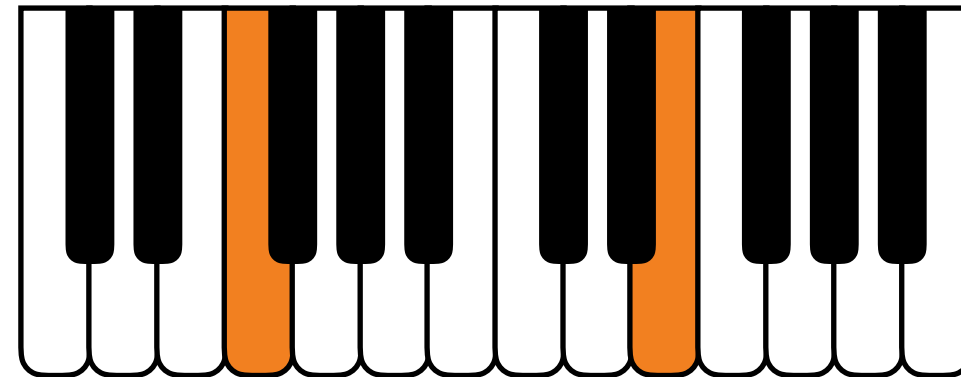


*Minor
7th*

*Minor
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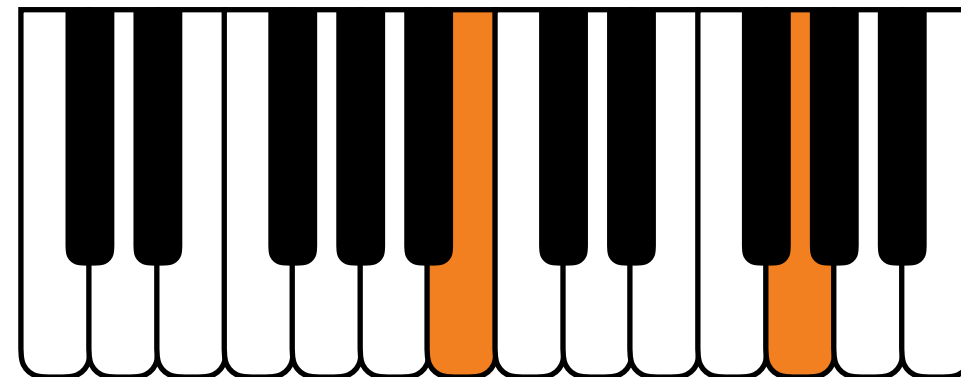


*Major
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*Major
3rd*

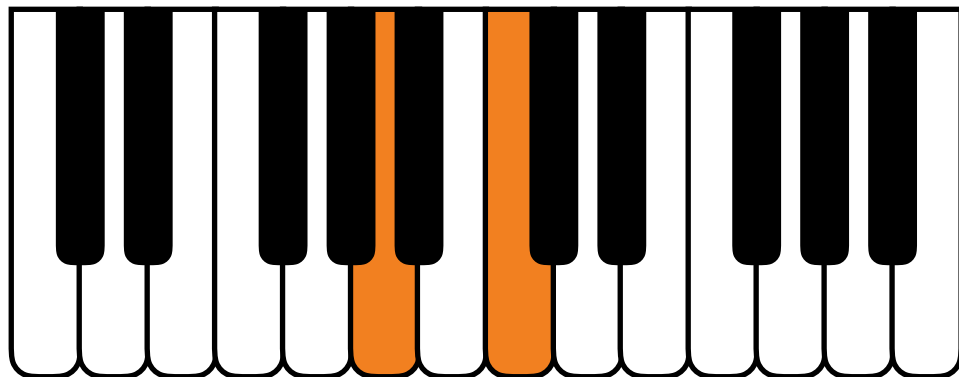


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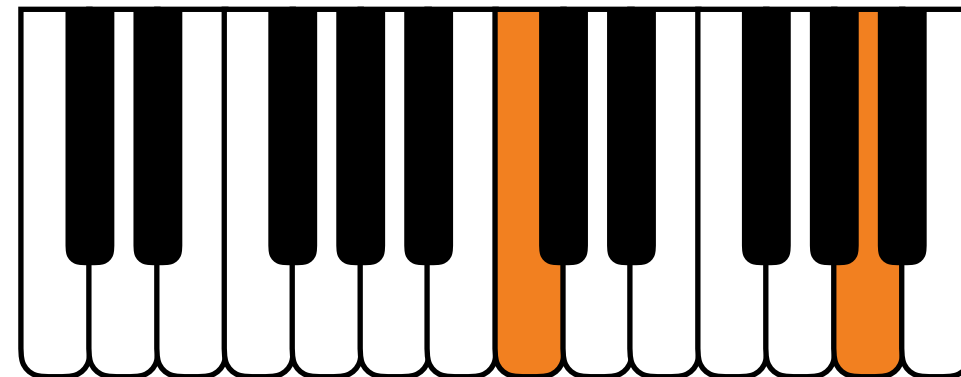


*Minor
6th*

*Minor
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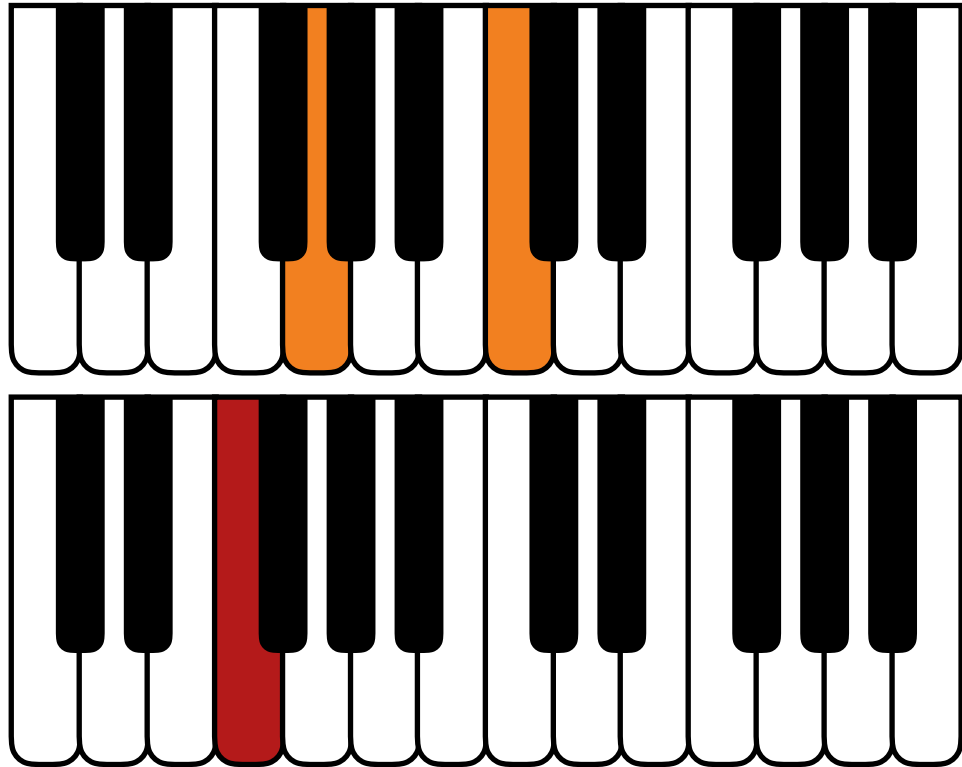
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*Major
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PRINCIPLE OF INVERSION

*Perfect
4th*

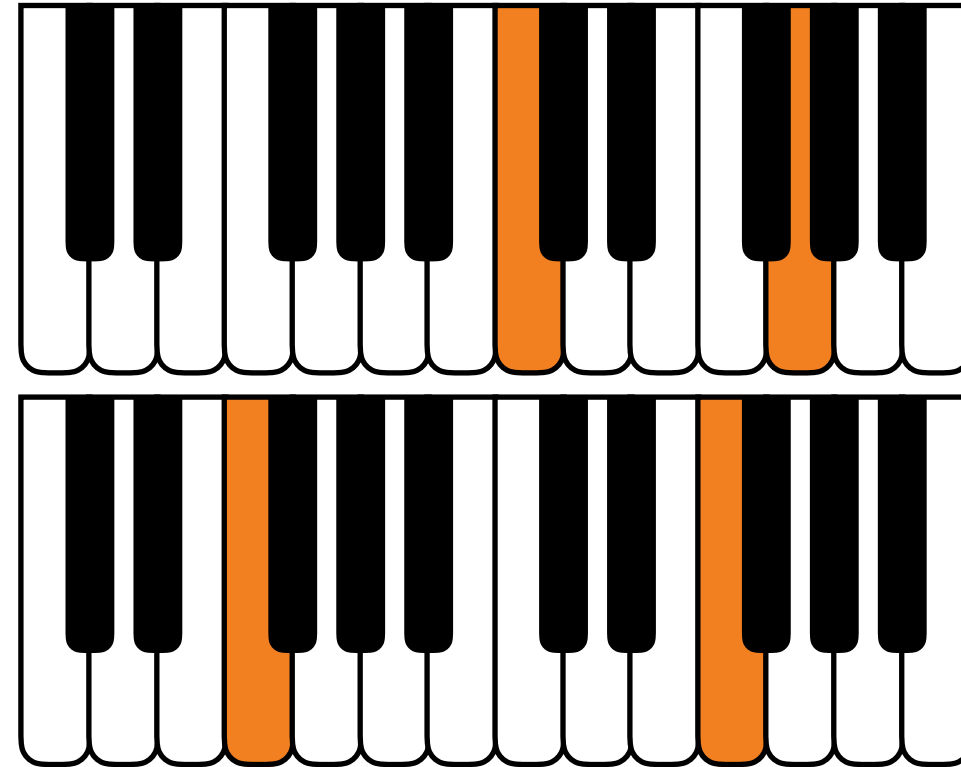


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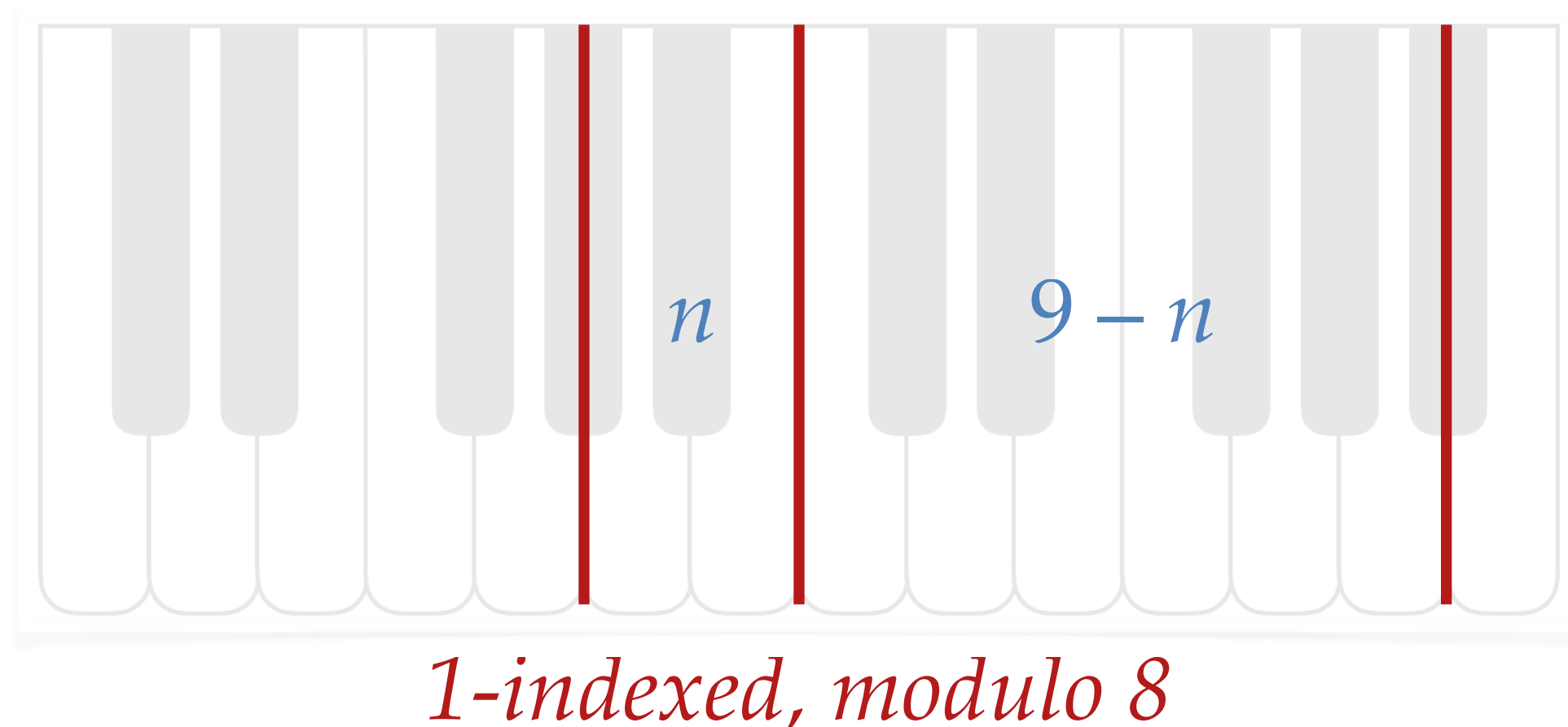
*Perfect
5th*



Octave

PRINCIPLE OF INVERSION

- The *principle of inversion* tells us a few things:
 - Intervals are read from the **bottom-up**
 - We only need to know the names of **some** of the intervals, as the rest follow **logically**:



SIX HALF-STEPS?

- What about the interval of six half-steps?
 - We **hinted** at this earlier...
 - This is a **raised** perfect fourth (by a **half-step**)
 - ...or a **lowered** perfect fifth (by a **half-step**)
 - Thus, this is often called one of the following:
 - *Augmented fourth*
 - *Diminished fifth*
 - to **augment** = to lengthen, to **diminish** = to shorten
 - Another common name for this is a *tritone*
 - Three **whole** steps = three *tones* (cf. *semitones*)

SIX HALF-STEPS?

- The principle of inversion tells us intuitively that the *inverse of a tritone is... a tritone!*
- Mathematically:
$$n = 9 - n \text{ if } 2n = 9, \text{ i.e. } n = 4.5$$

where n measures *whole steps* (i.e. *tones*)
- So $n = 4.5$ is the *fixpoint* of the principle of inversion
- But 4.5 is *in between* 4 and 5
 - So the *tone in between* a 4th and a 5th
 - i.e. augmented 4th or diminished 5th
- Tritone also has a *diminished sound*, so often called d5

CONNOTATIONS

- *Minor chords*: Sad, empty, hanging sounds
- *Major chords*: Full, harmonious, definite sounds
- Are there **other types** of sounds?
 - Those that don't **conform** strictly to what we've mentioned so far
 - Require at least another note so we can form a **three-note basis**
 - **Triangle** of sound changes in these other types
 - Forms *triads* / chords for more interesting stuff

TRIADS

- Let's **stack** together the intervals we've seen earlier:
 - Major 3rd on top of a Minor 3rd
 - $4 + 3 = 7$ **half-steps** from base to top
 - Minor 3rd on top of a Major 3rd
 - $3 + 4 = 7$ **half-steps** from base to top
 - Minor 3rd on top of a Minor 3rd
 - $3 + 3 = 6$ **half-steps** from base to top
 - Major 3rd on top of a Major 3rd
 - $4 + 4 = 8$ **half-steps** from base to top

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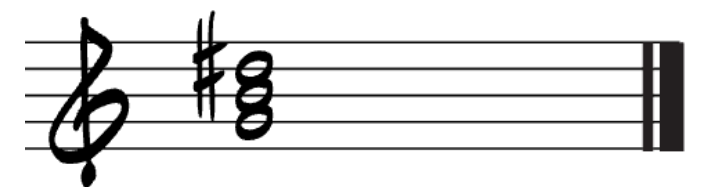
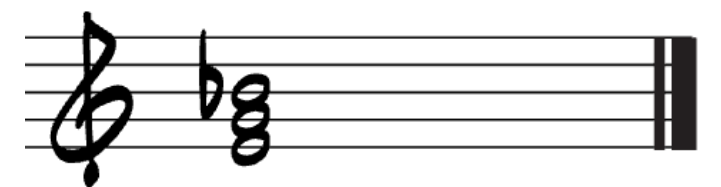
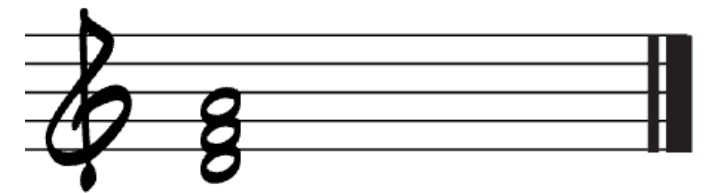
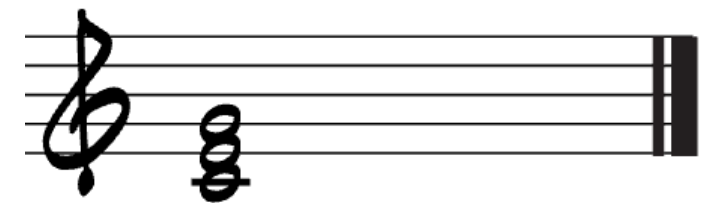
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 - Major 3rd on top of a Major 3rd
 - *Augmented triad*



TRIADS

- Triads are known as *tertian chords*, as they use thirds to create sound instead of any other interval (n.b. below)
 - *1st inversion*: Move basis note above the top note from root position of chord
 - *2nd inversion*: Move basis note above the top note from 1st inversion of chord
 - Implication: tertian = 3rds or 6ths
- Non-tertian chords use 2nds / 4ths as well
 - Not as widely used, but still exist (obviously)

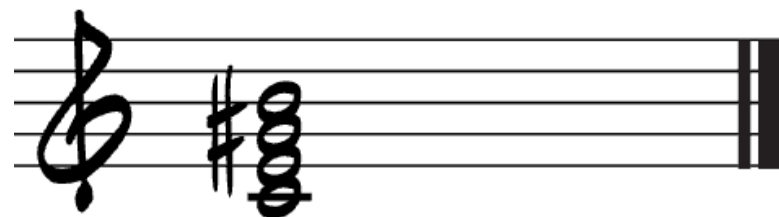
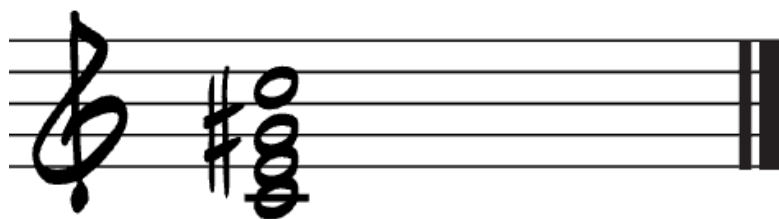
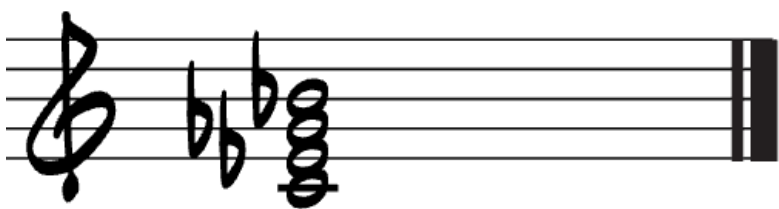
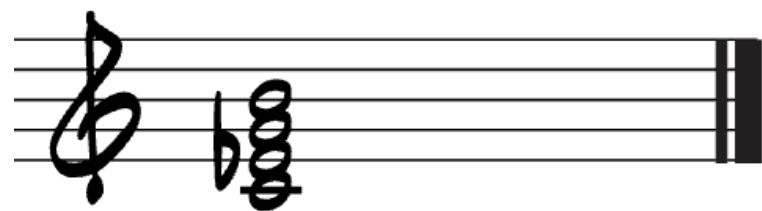
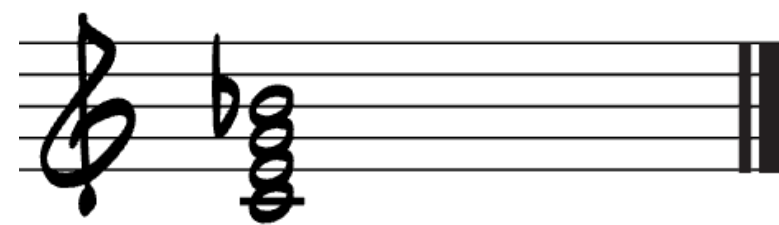
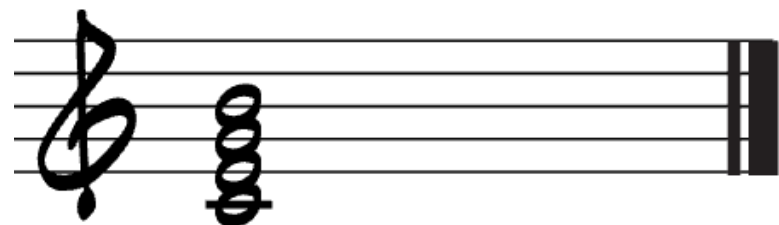
SEVENTH CHORDS

- (Tertian) *seventh chords* can be created by sticking *major or minor thirds* on top of (tertian) *triads*
- Since there are *four* possible tertian triads, there are $4 \times 2 = 8$ possible tertian seventh chords (since we could put *either a major or a minor third* above each)
- Let's take a closer look at all of the possible sevenths
 - Preview: There will actually only be *7 possible tertian seventh chords*, very interestingly

SEVENTH CHORDS

- major triad + major 3rd = *major seventh*
- major triad + minor 3rd = *dominant seventh*
- minor triad + major 3rd = *minor-major seventh*
- minor triad + minor 3rd = *minor seventh*
- diminished triad + major 3rd = *half-diminished seventh*
- diminished triad + minor 3rd = *diminished seventh*
- augmented triad + major 3rd = *doubly-augmented seventh**
- augmented triad + minor 3rd = *augmented seventh*
- *the 7th above the root here is an octave, so it is effectively just an augmented triad... so it is not widely called this

SEVENTH CHORDS



FUGUE

CYCLICAL STRUCTURES

- Let us now consider the following **set**:
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- Another way to write this set might be:
 $\mathbf{ch} = \{P1, m2, M2, m3, M3, P4, d5, P5, m6, M6, m7, M7\}$
where **P** = perfect, **m** = minor, **M** = major, **d** = diminished

CYCLICAL STRUCTURES

- Start on middle-C and ascend chromatically
 - Eventually, the notes generated will be part of the *same sequence* as one that occurred before
 - The *notes* on a piano are thus *cyclical*
 - They are a *modular system*, much like the *decimal* one
- Can we define an operation on this chromatic set so we can make it a *group*?
 - Does such an operation *exist*? If so, is it *unique*?
 - If yes to both, can we prove that the set and operation together actually *do form a group*?

MUSICAL GROUPS

- Let's consider the following **binary operation** on **ch**:
 $a \bullet b ::=$ the note that is an interval of b above a
- For example, let us suppose that $a = P4$ and $b = m3$
 - Then, $a \bullet b = P4 \bullet m3 = m6$
- Another way to think of this is via an **isomorphism** to the addition operation in Z_{12} (i.e. the integers from 0 to 11 only):
 $\text{ch} = \{P1, m2, M2, m3, M3, P4, d5, P5, m6, M6, m7, M7\}$
 $\sim \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$
- Then, our example above is quite nice, as \bullet **is simply + modulo 12**: $P4 \bullet m3 \sim 5 +_{12} 3 = (5 + 3) \bmod 12 = 8 \bmod 12 \sim m6$
- **Why** does the isomorphism work? *Hint: half-step counts in ch*

MUSICAL GROUPS

- So what would the **identity element** be?
 - Addition, so a good idea seems to be $0 \sim P1$ for **id**
- Is $(\mathbf{ch}, \bullet, P1)$ a **valid group** definition? Alternatively, is $(Z_{12}, +_{12}, 0)$ a **valid group** definition?
 - Yes!
 - Let's **prove** it...

MUSICAL GROUPS

- Have you **learned**? Help fill in the **formal details**:
- *Closure*:
 - **Intuition**: No matter what we do, we end up **somewhere on the keyboard**, which is still in **ch**
- *Associativity*:
 - **Intuition**: We can stack in **any order** to get to an interval
- *Identity*:
 - **Intuition**: Every note on the keyboard (**ch**) is its own P1
- *Inverse*:
 - **Intuition**: Maybe we can extend the **principle of inv.** ...

MUSICAL GROUPS

- It turns out that • is also **commutative** over **ch**, so **ch** is actually an **abelian group**
 - Intuition: Both paths will still lead to the same sum
- Well, we have a musical group!
 - What now?
 - Some interesting **properties**:
 - $P1 = P1^{-1}$ and $d5 = d5^{-1}$
 - **Cyclical property**
 - **Permutation property**

CYCLICAL GROUPS

- A *cyclical group* is a group $G = (S, \bullet, \text{id})$ that contains a *generating element* g for which if \bullet is applied to it in succession, the resulting sequence enumerates all of the elements of the group *at least once* before cycling
 - What does this mean?
 - In other words, $((g \bullet g) \bullet g) \cdots) \bullet g = s_g$, where for all e in S , e is *enumerated* by the sequence s_g
- If $G = (S, \bullet, \text{id})$ is *cyclical* with *generating element* g , then we write $G = \langle g \rangle$ over \bullet
- Applications: g is an *enumeration machine* of G under \bullet

CYCLICAL GROUPS

- For example, $G = (Z_3, +_3, 0)$, where $Z_3 = \{0, 1, 2\}$
 - There are actually **two** generating elements of G :
 - $G = \langle 1 \rangle$ over $+_3$:
$$1 +_3 1 = \mathbf{2} +_3 1 = \mathbf{0} +_3 1 = \mathbf{1} \dots$$
 - $G = \langle 2 \rangle$ over $+_3$:
$$2 +_3 2 = \mathbf{1} +_3 2 = \mathbf{0} +_3 2 = \mathbf{2} \dots$$
 - Notice that $G \neq \langle 0 \rangle$ over $+_3$:
$$0 +_3 0 = 0 +_3 0 = 0 +_3 0 = 0 \dots$$
- **Intuition:** In general, $g_G \neq \mathbf{id}$ unless $S = \{\mathbf{id}\}$ (*Why?*)

CYCLICAL GROUPS

- As it turns out, **ch** is **cyclic** with these **generators**:
 - **ch** = $\langle 1 \rangle$ over \bullet :
$$s_1 = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 0, 1, \dots$$
 - **ch** = $\langle 5 \rangle$ over \bullet :
$$s_5 = 5, 10, 3, 8, 1, 6, 11, 4, 9, 2, 7, 0, 5, \dots$$
 - **ch** = $\langle 7 \rangle$ over \bullet :
$$s_7 = 7, 2, 9, 4, 11, 6, 1, 8, 3, 10, 5, 0, 7 \dots$$
 - **ch** = $\langle 11 \rangle$ over \bullet :
$$s_{11} = 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0, 11 \dots$$
- **Interestingly**, they all end on 0 (our **id**) before **cycling**

CYCLICAL GROUPS

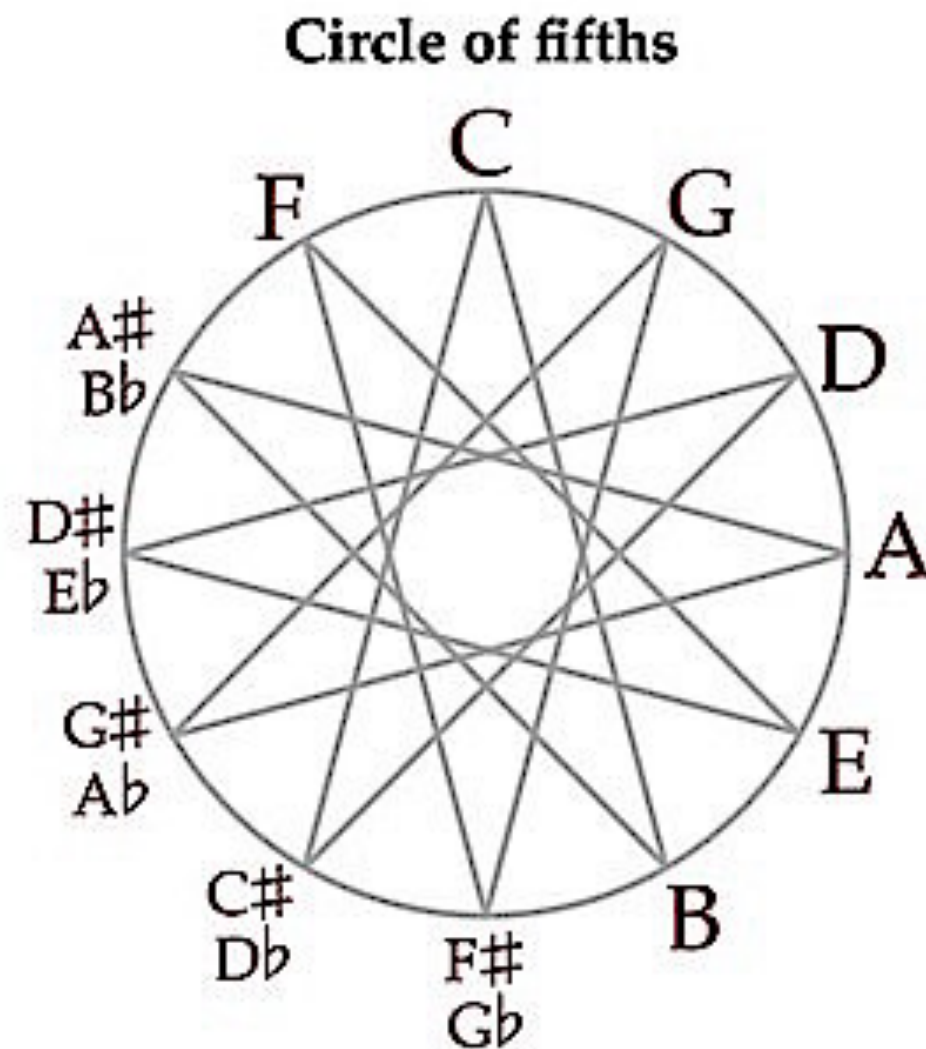
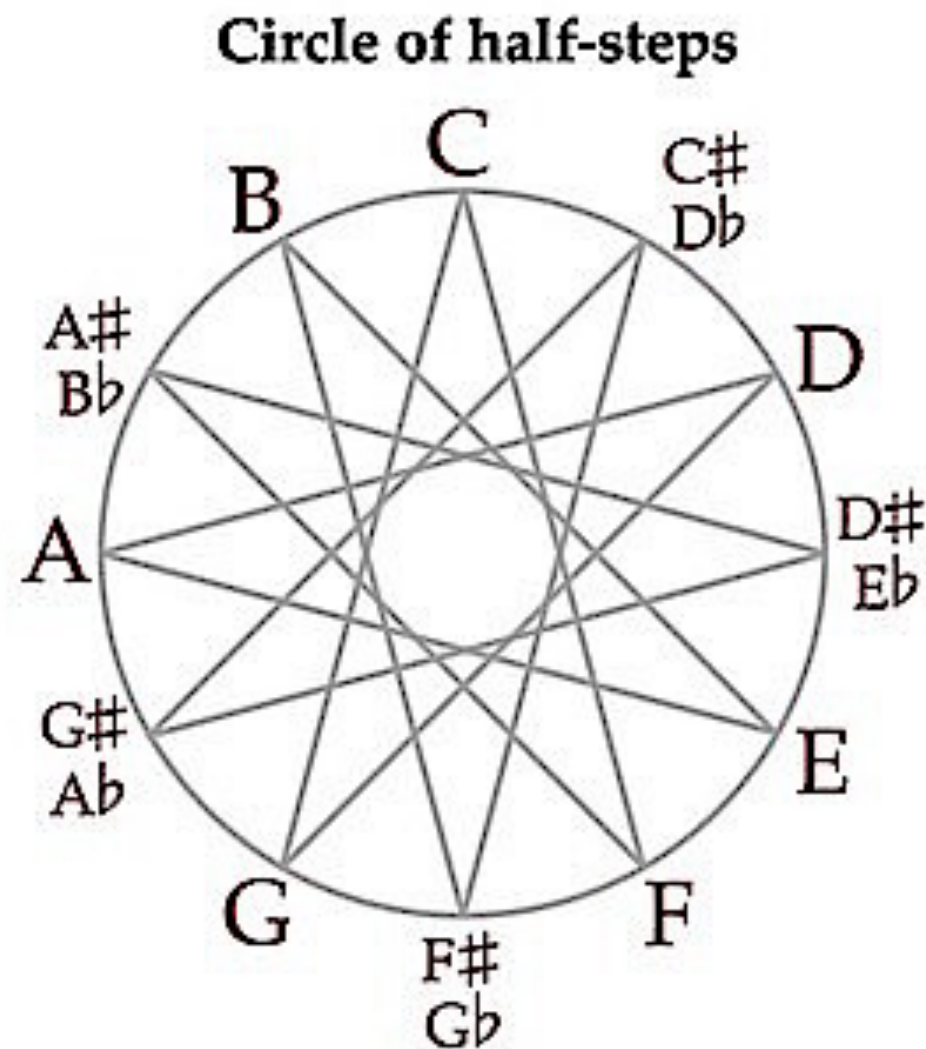
- Removing the **isomorphism abstraction**, we see that

$$\mathbf{ch} = \langle m2 \rangle = \langle P4 \rangle = \langle P5 \rangle = \langle M7 \rangle$$

- Interesting properties:
 - The m2 generates an **increasing** chromatic scale
 - The M7 generates a **decreasing** chromatic scale
 - The P5 generates the **circle of fifths**
 - $C \rightarrow G \rightarrow D \rightarrow A \rightarrow E \rightarrow B \rightarrow F^\# \rightarrow C^\# \rightarrow G^\# \rightarrow D^\# \rightarrow A^\# \rightarrow F \rightarrow C$
 - The P4 generates the **circle of fourths**
 - $C \rightarrow F \rightarrow B^\flat \rightarrow E^\flat \rightarrow A^\flat \rightarrow D^\flat \rightarrow G^\flat \rightarrow B \rightarrow E \rightarrow A \rightarrow D \rightarrow G \rightarrow C$
- These generators directly **hint** at the **invertibility** of **ch**

CYCLICAL GROUPS

- The circles also both **generate each other!**
 - Reveals a **deep connection** in the **underlying group**



The image displays the first five systems of Pachelbel's Canon in D major, 4/4 time. The score is written for a grand piano, with a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#). The first system shows the initial chords in the treble and a single note in the bass. The second system introduces a continuous eighth-note bass line. The third system continues the bass line and adds a melodic line in the treble. The fourth system features a more complex treble melody. The fifth system shows the continuation of the piece, with the bass line still present.

Pachelbel's Canon in D is a popular work that employs what is essentially a circle of fifths to drive its foundation.

Bass clef:

D → A

B → F#

G → D

Treble clef:

F → C

D → A

B → F#

PERMUTATION GROUPS

- A *permutation* is a rearrangement of elements in a group
- For example, let's look at Z_3 again:

id

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 0 | — | 0 |
| 1 | — | 1 |
| 2 | — | 2 |

α

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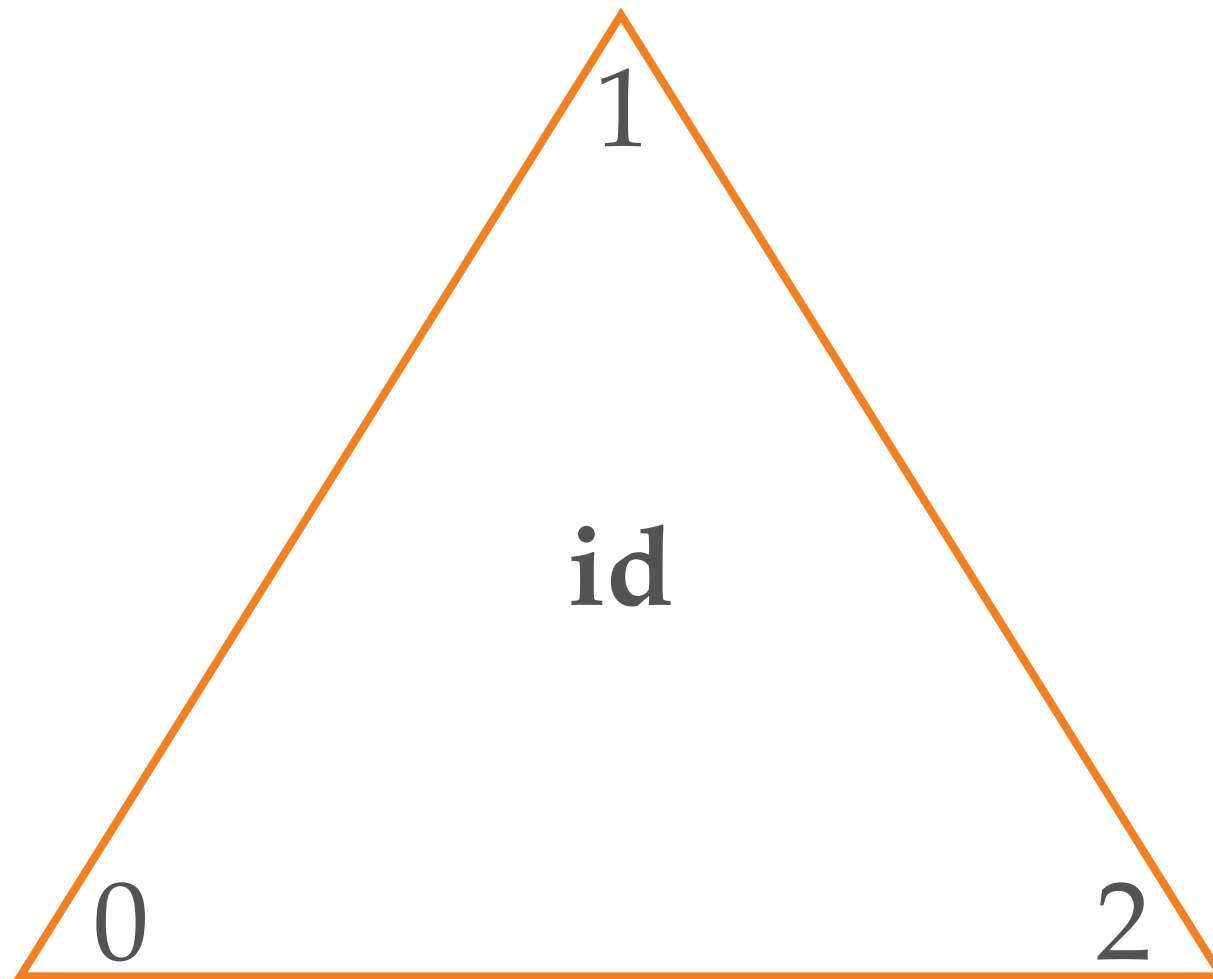
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- Cauchy notation:

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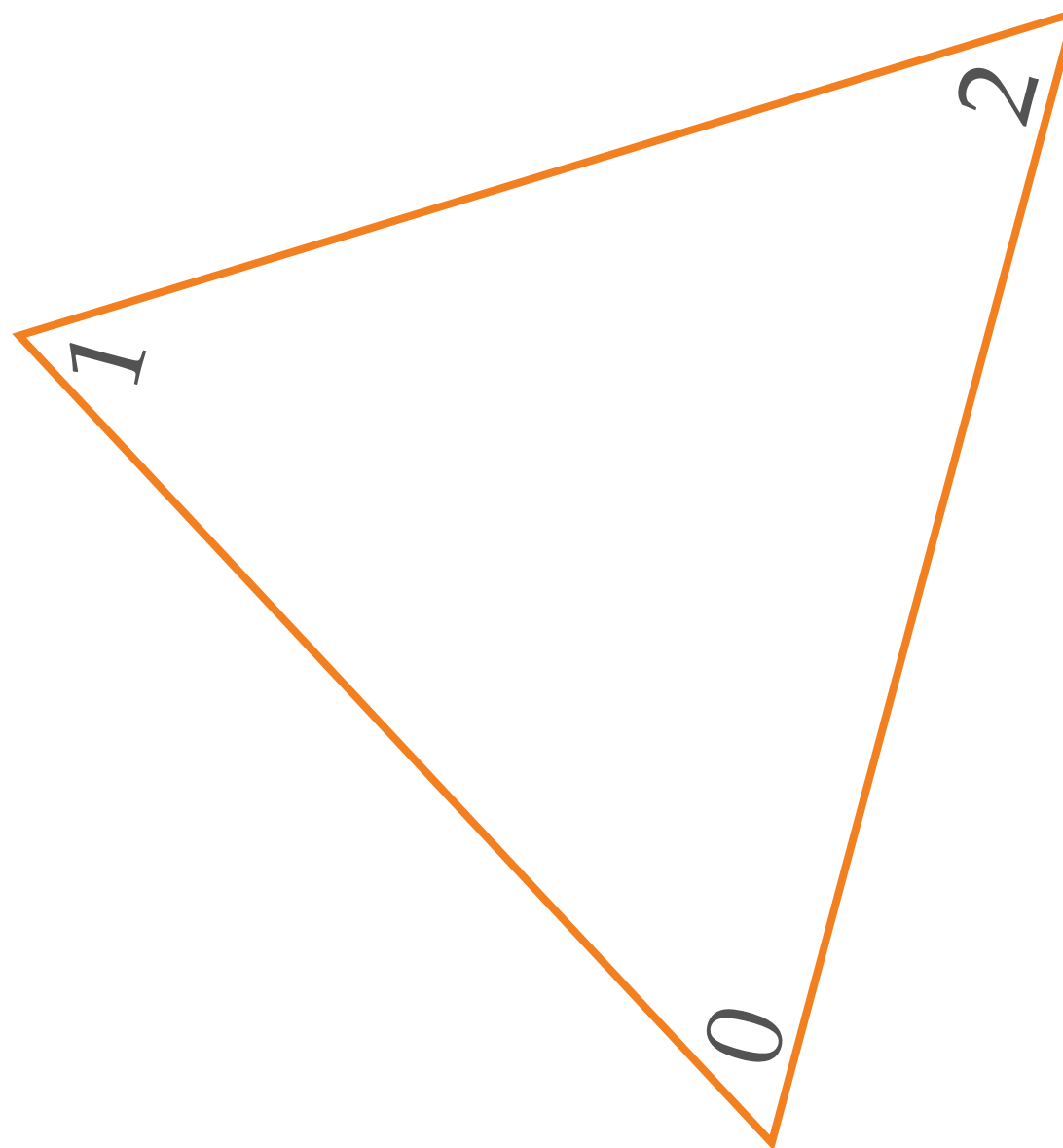
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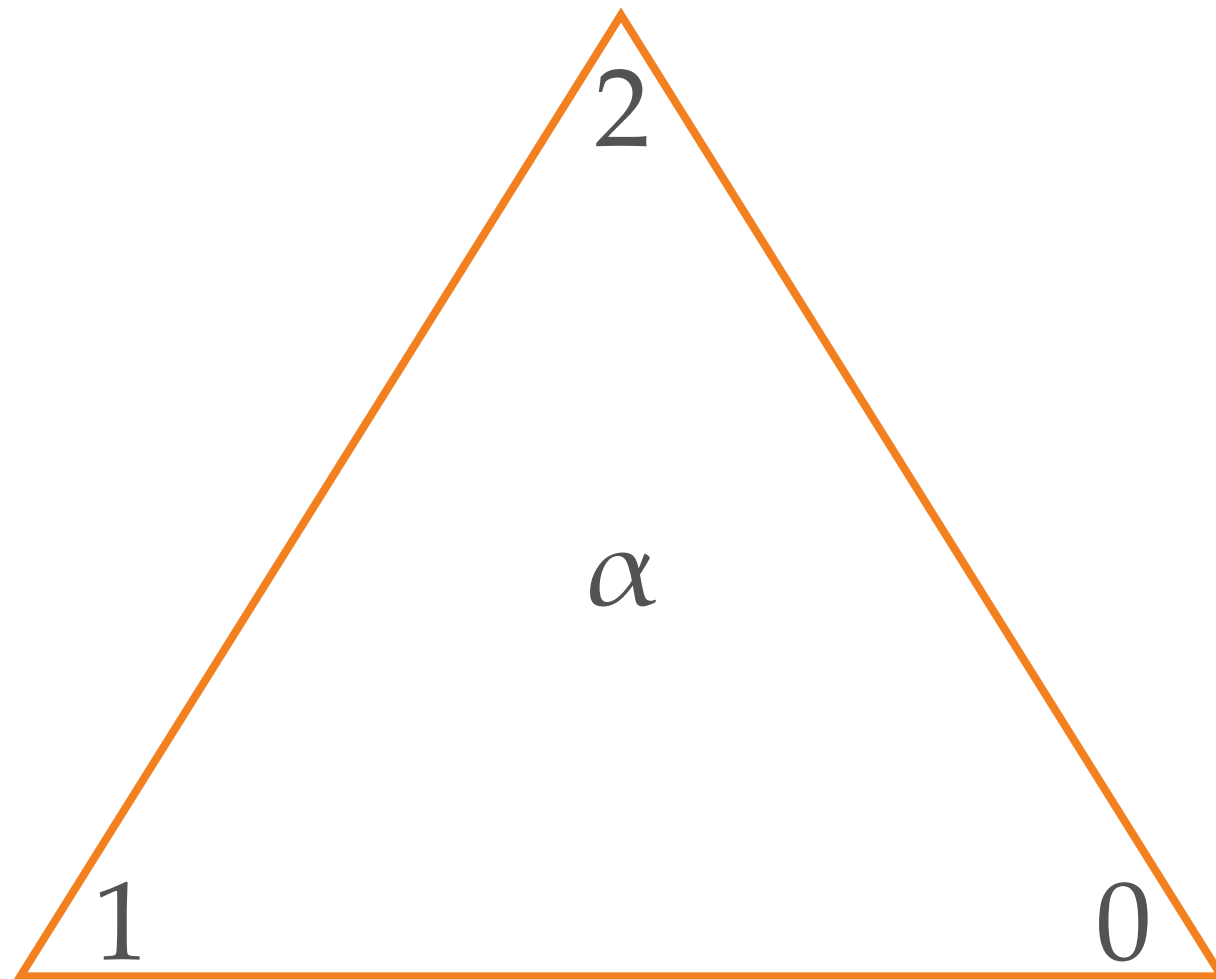
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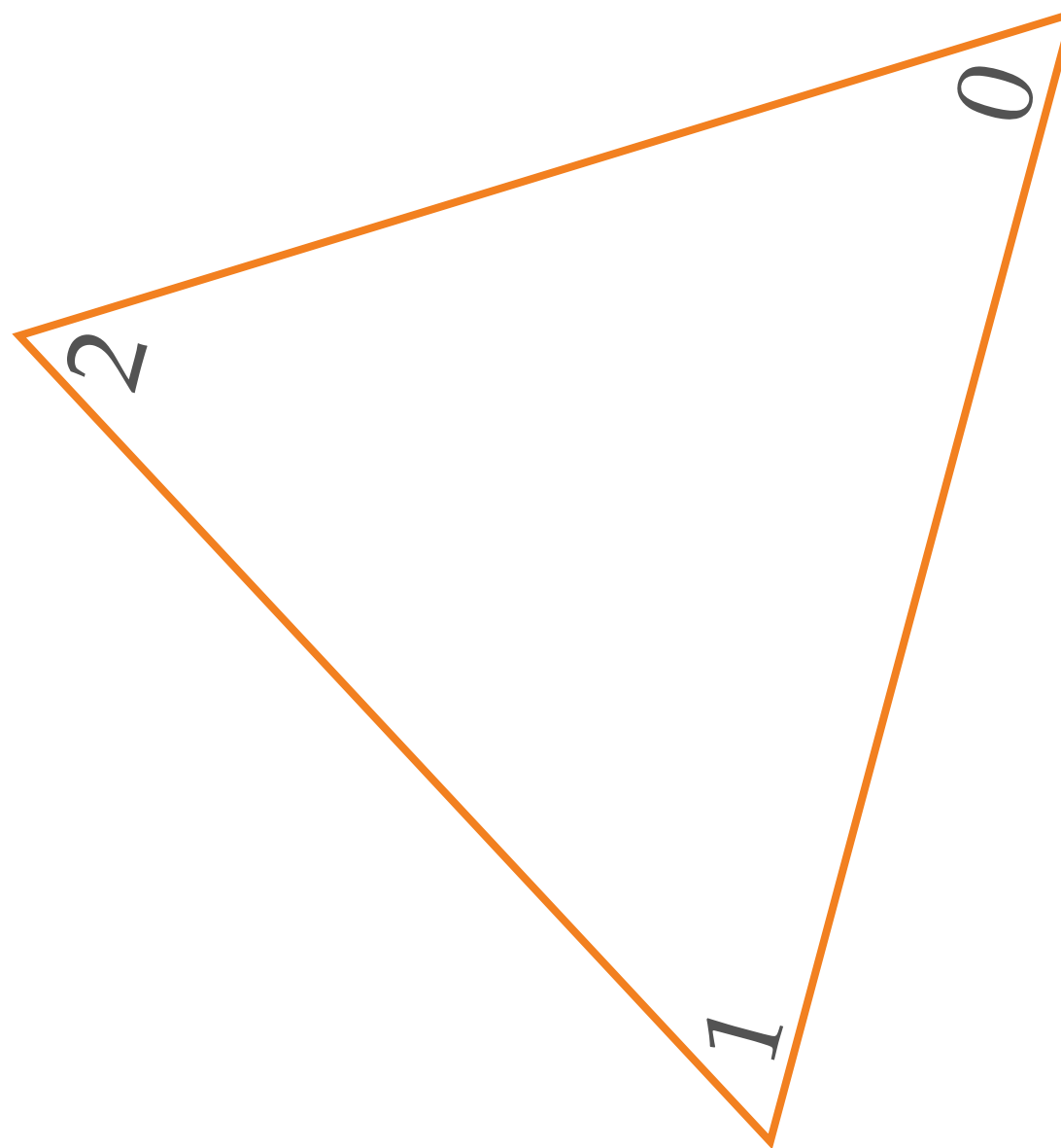
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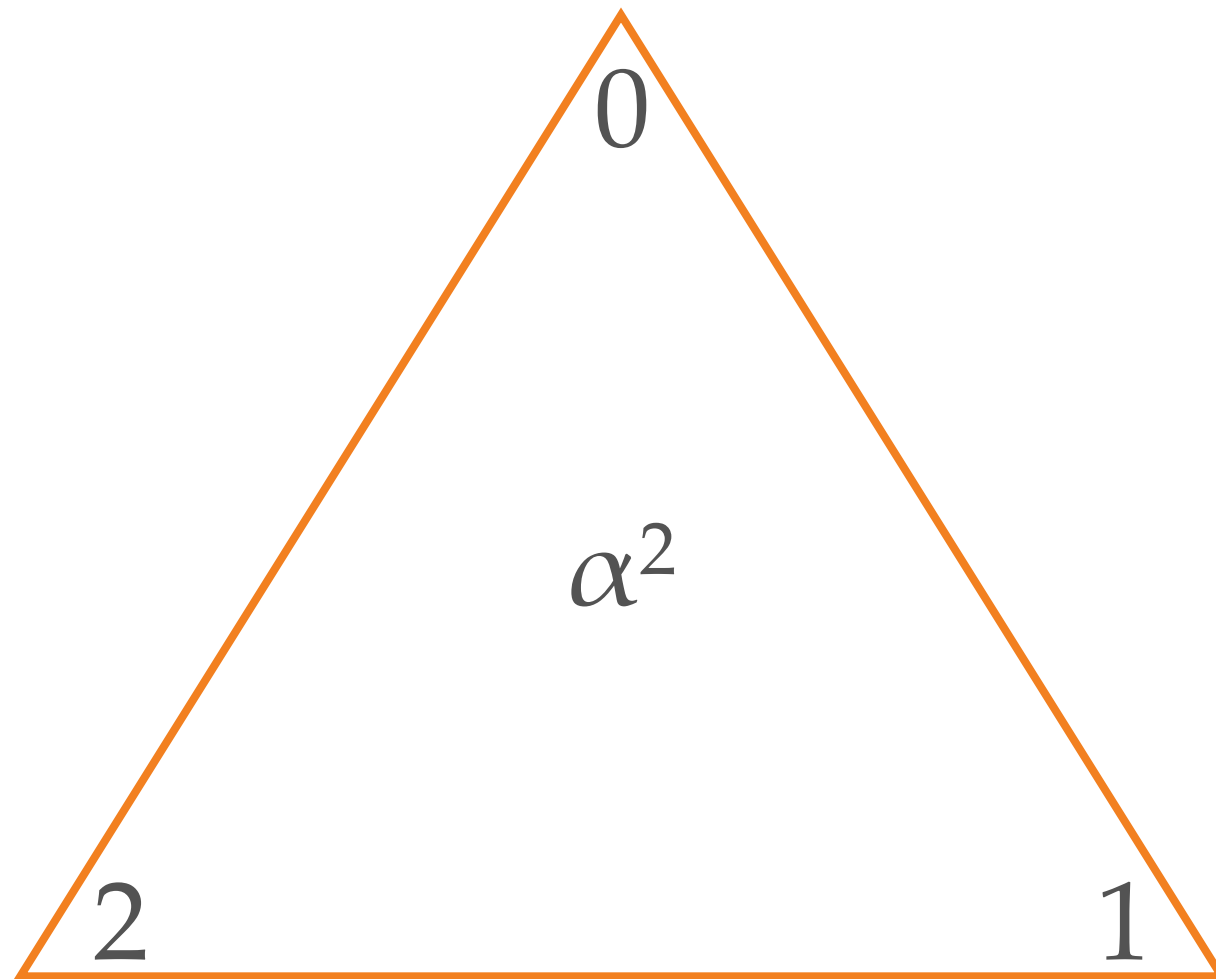
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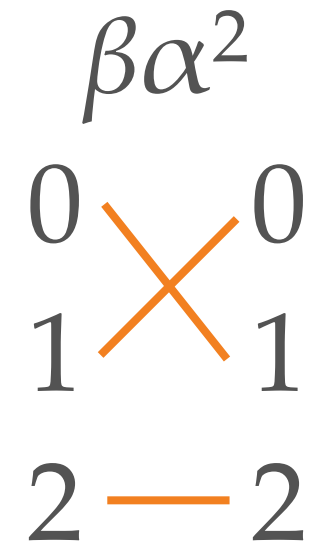
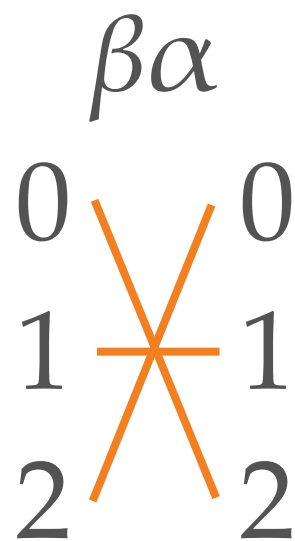
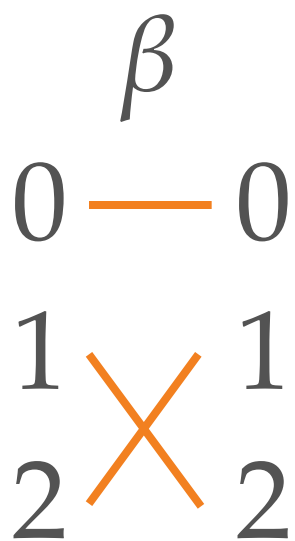


PERMUTATION GROUPS

- A *permutation* is a rearrangement of elements in a group
- Clearly, those were *rotation* permutations
- What about *reflection* permutations?
 - One number stays the same, the other swap places
 - That number is the *reflection axis*

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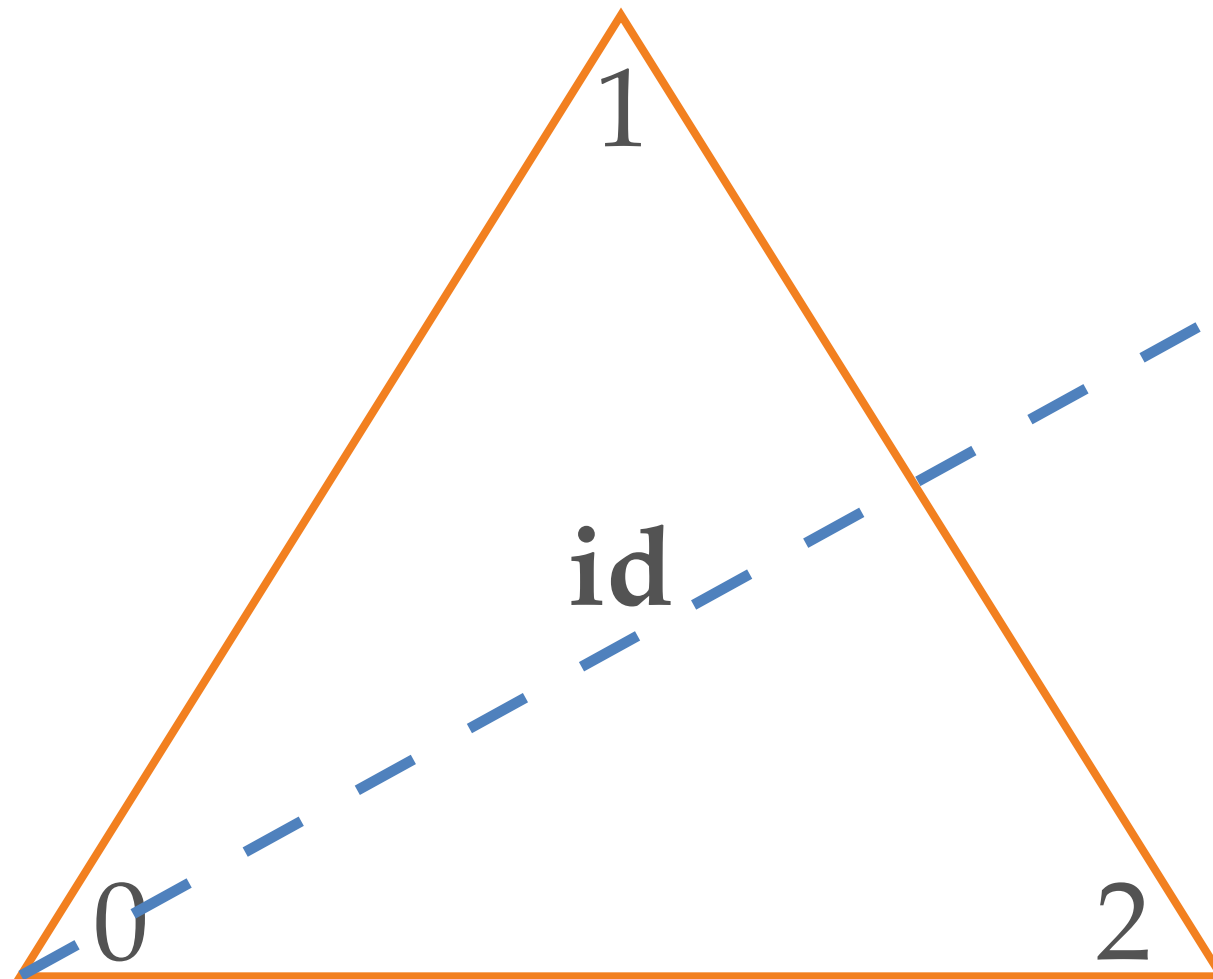
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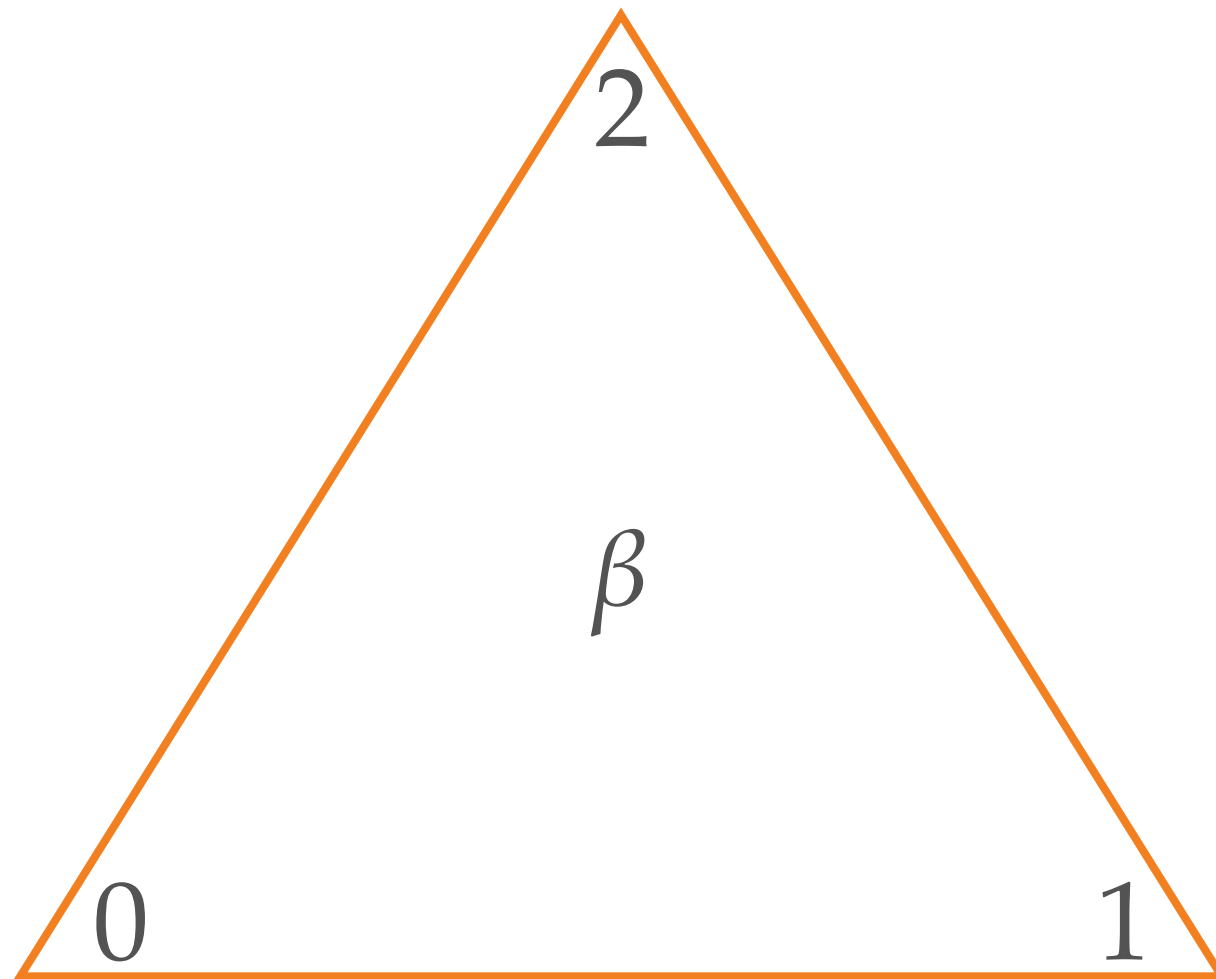
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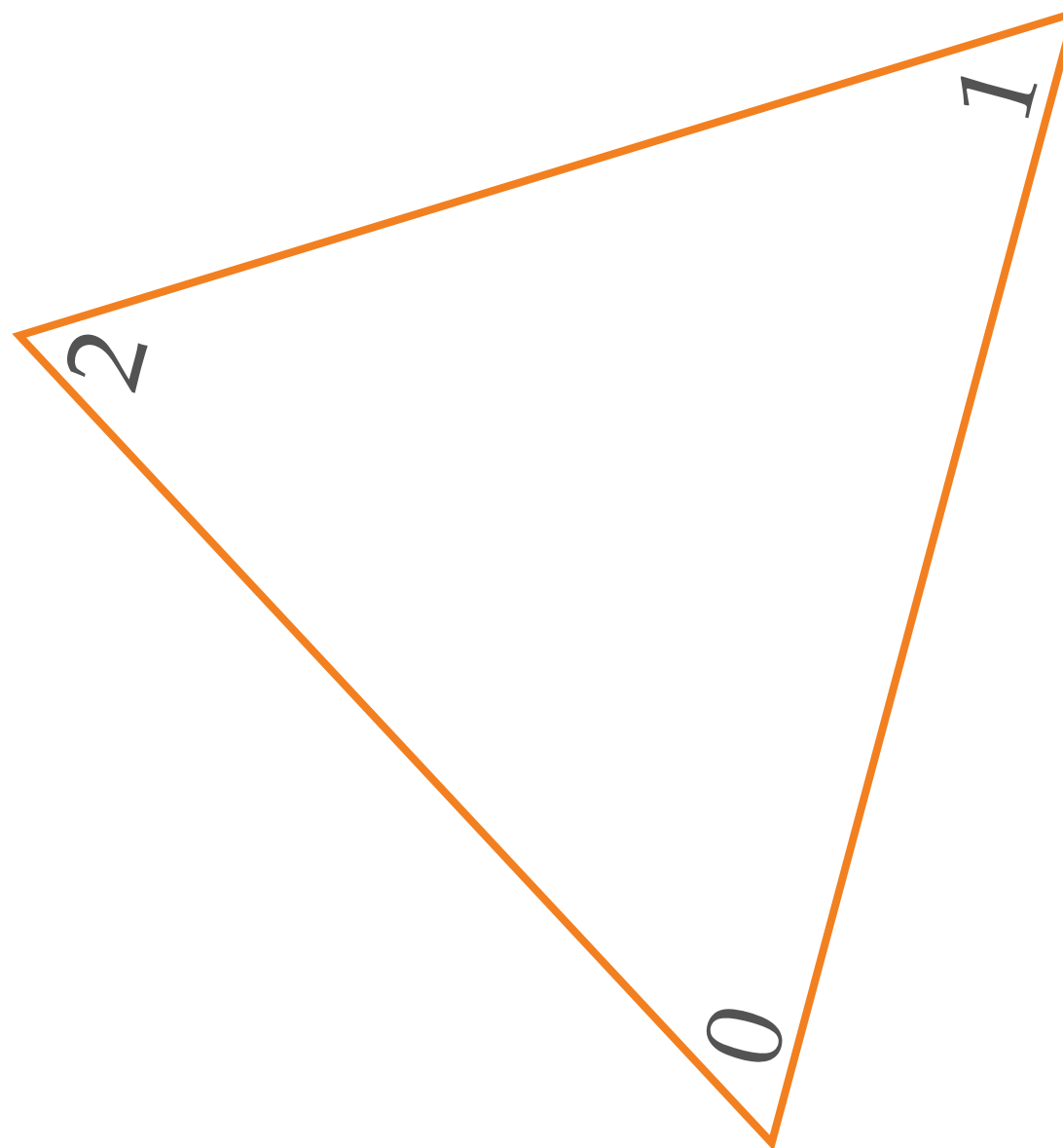
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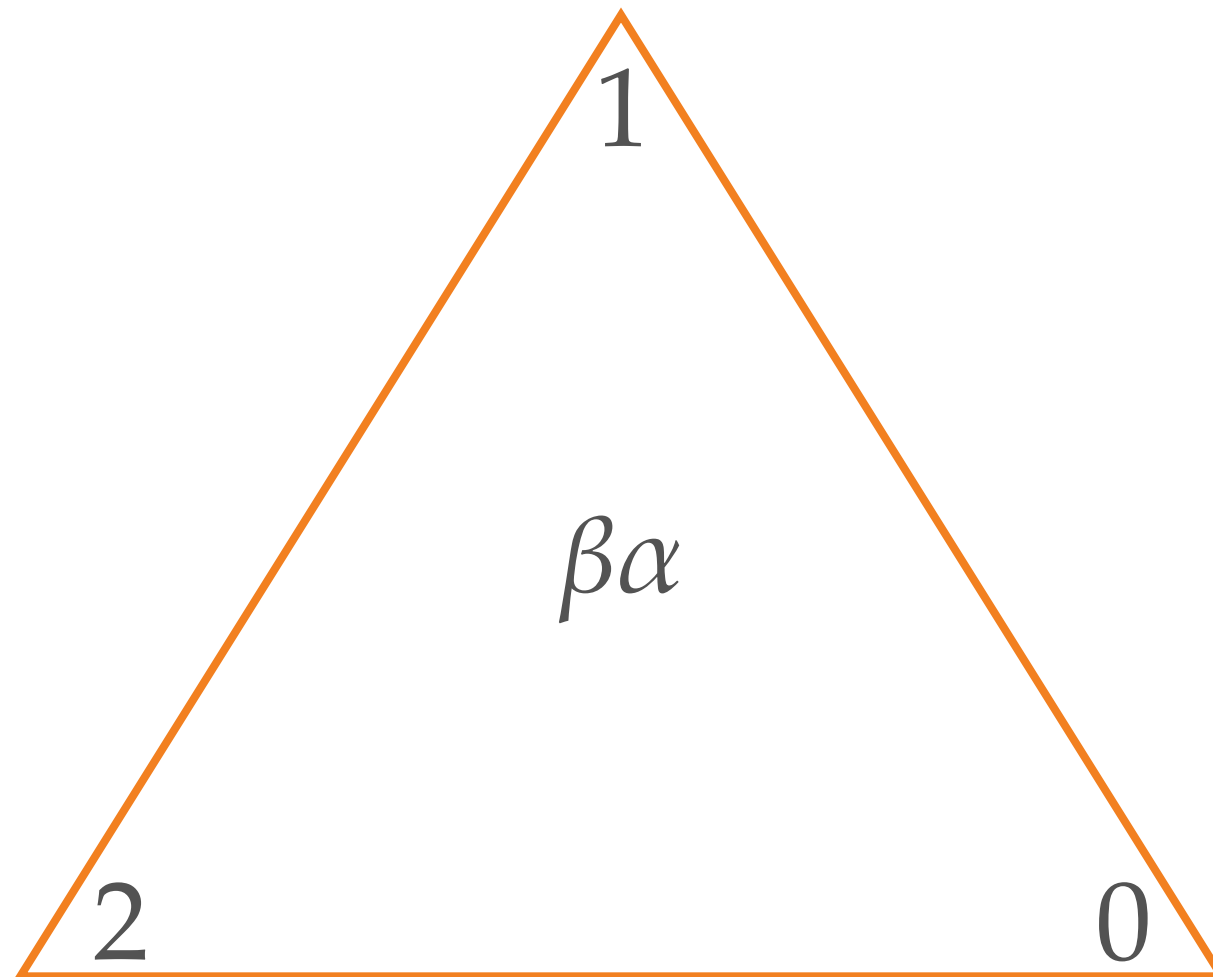
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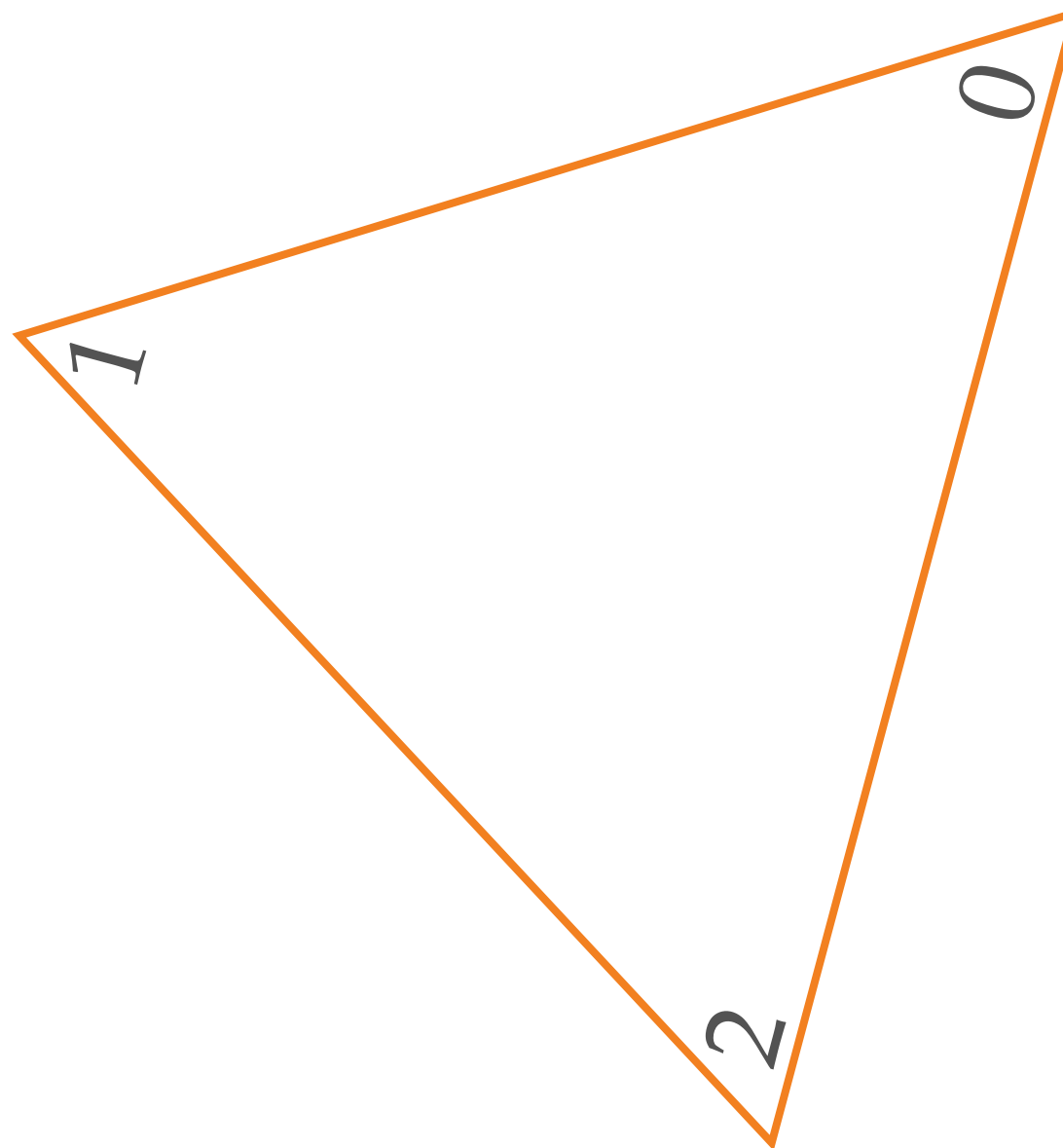
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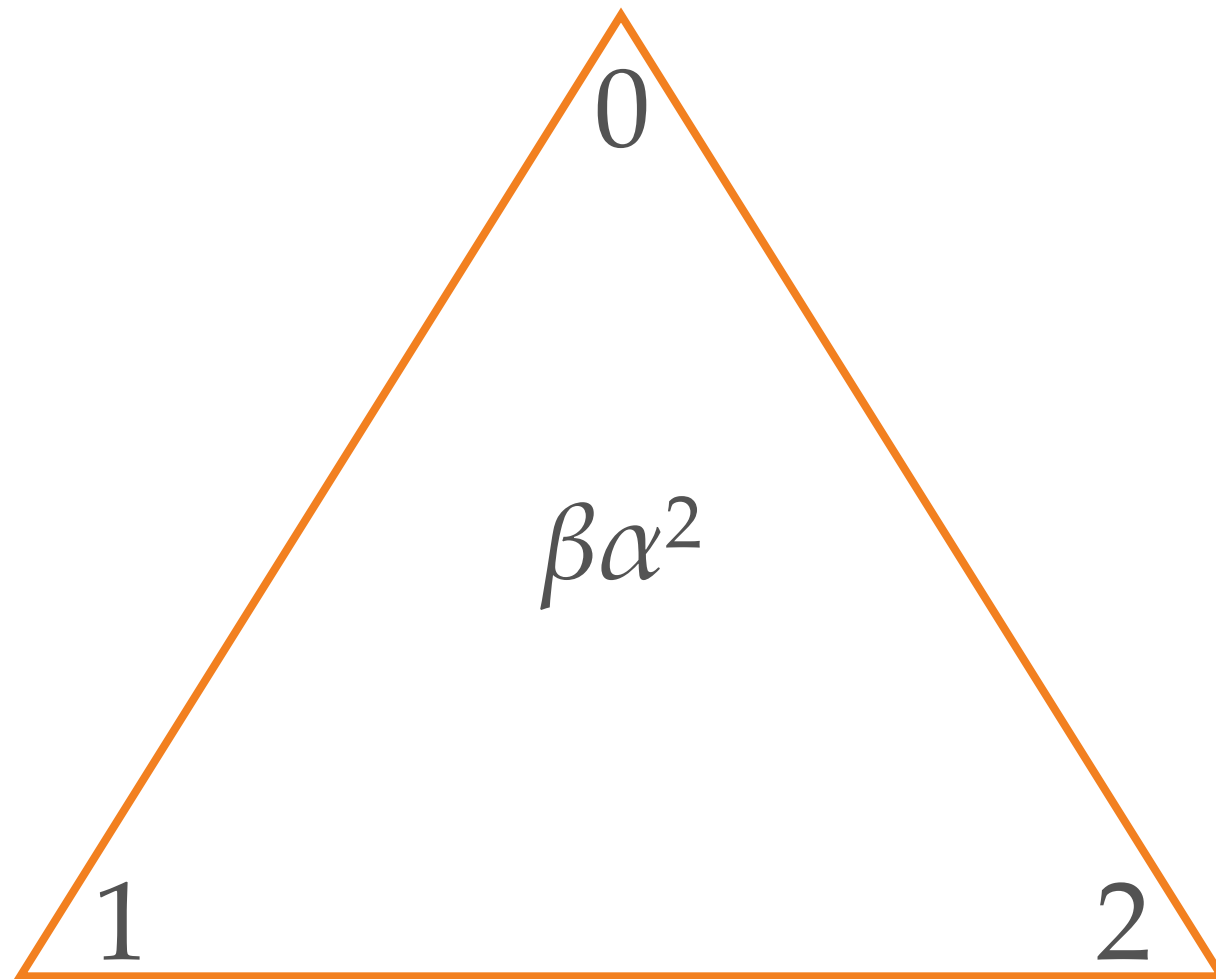
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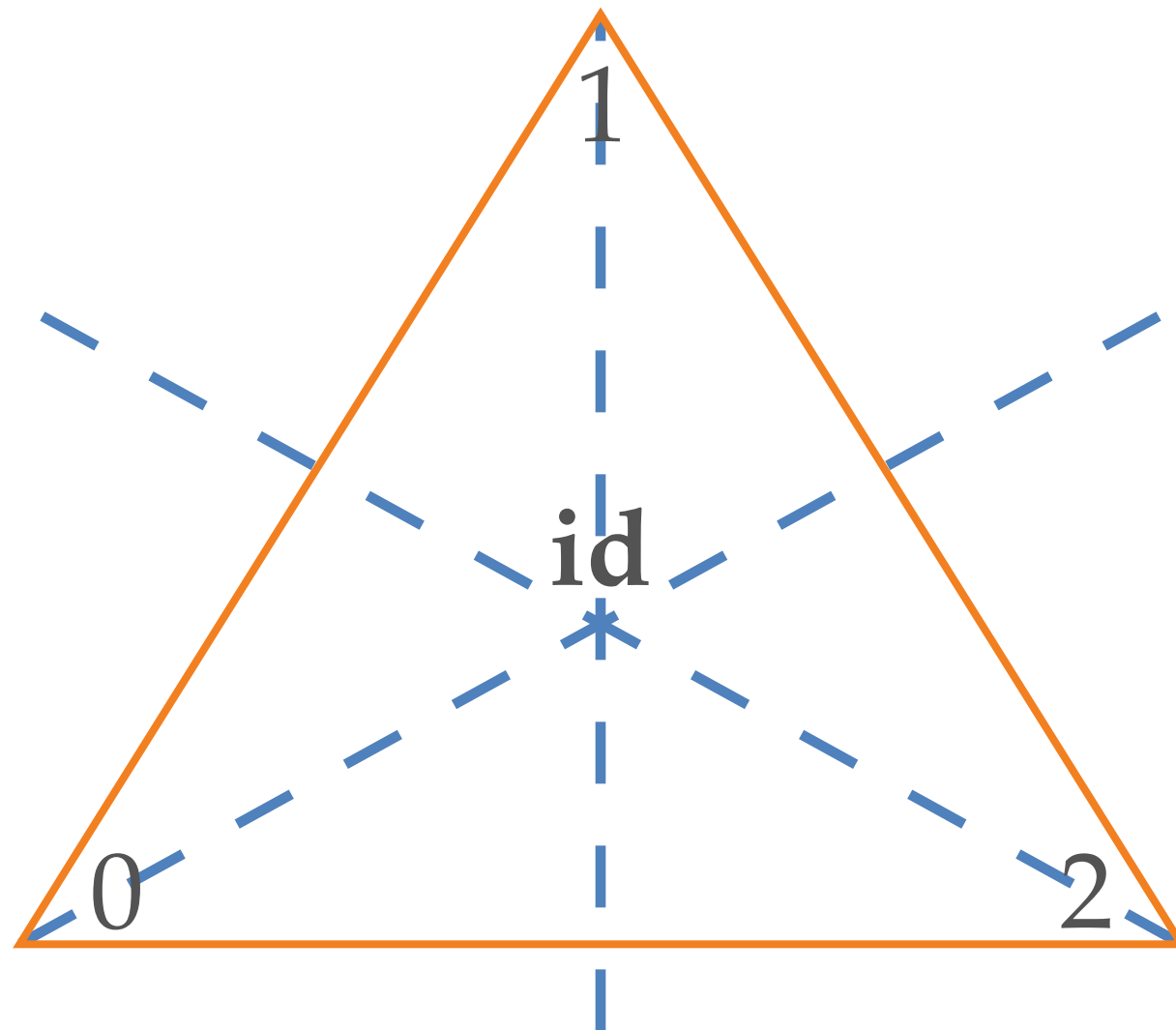
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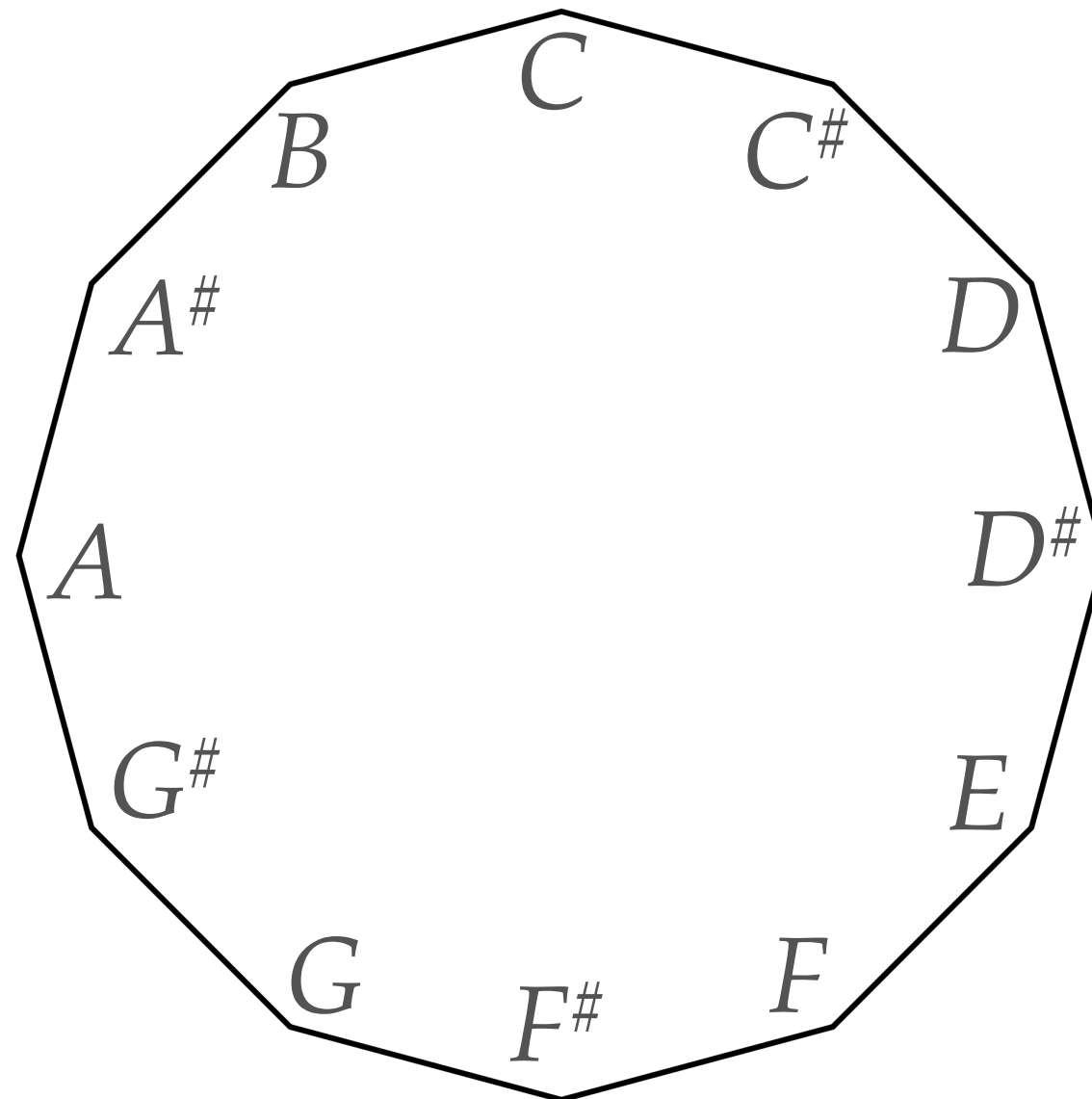


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- Those were a combination of reflection and rotation
 - i.e. a permutation
 - No *translations* in our model (doesn't make sense)
 - Thus, *permutation groups* are a subset of *symmetry groups* (which offer translation + reflection + rotation)

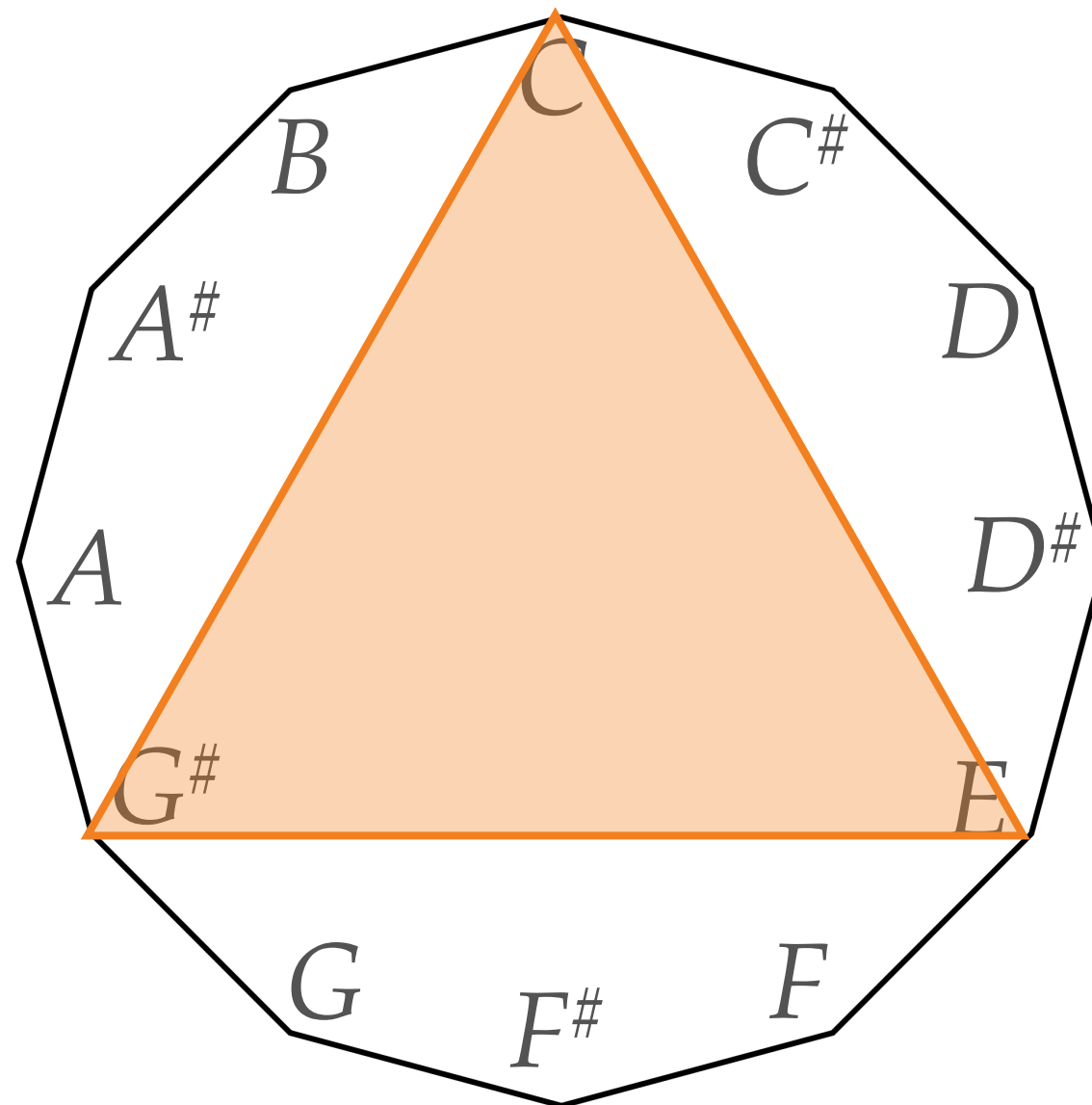
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- Using m_2 as a **generator**, we can create a **cyclic group** that is representable as a regular **dodecagon**:



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- We can then overlay **regular triangles** to obtain **chords** in **identity form**:



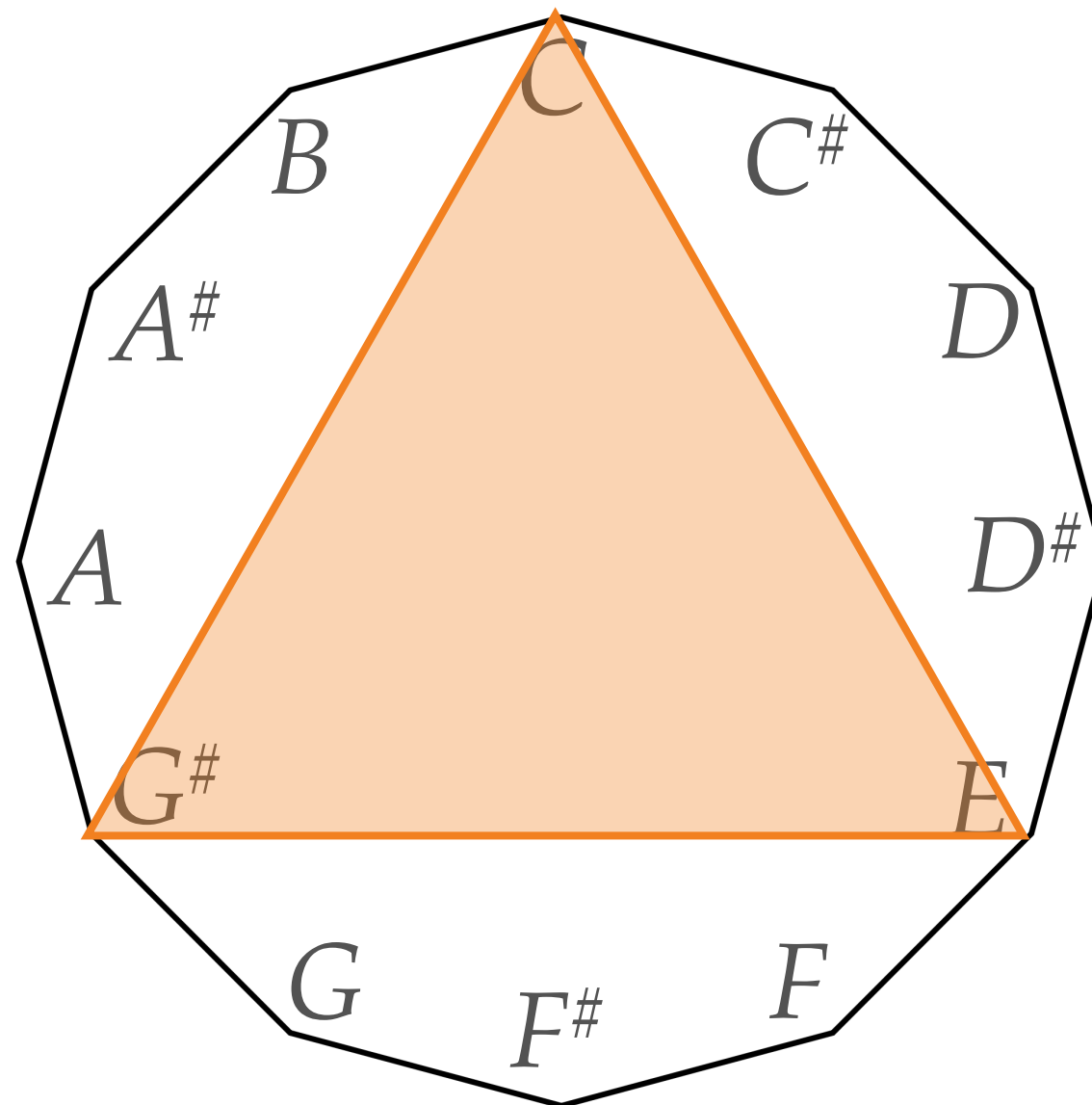
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- **Permutations of this triangle** via the process described earlier lead to very **interesting** results:

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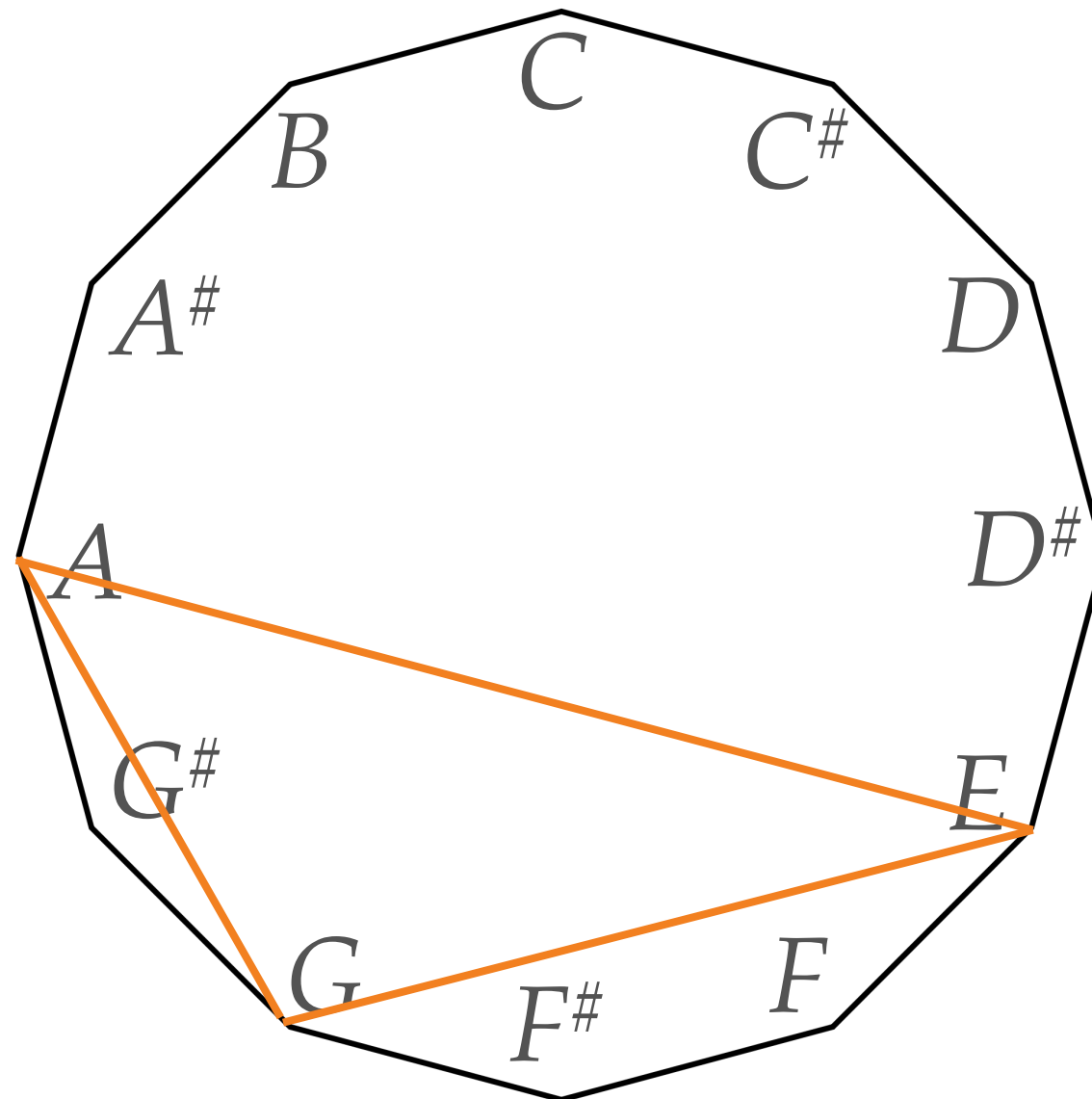
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- If we allow *dilations* in the permutation group, the triangle can cover *all* of the chords!

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- These notes are merely an *introduction* to the subject
 - We could easily talk more... but we only had 2 hours!
- The material discussed here could easily be the content of a **masters' thesis** or even of a **small academic paper**
 - More mathematical flavor
 - More in-depth **analysis**
 - Greater variety of **applications**
 - Structural analysis based on **mathematical precepts**

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- If you have any **further questions**, feel free to reach out!
- My email address is **cb625@cornell.edu**
 - May take some time to reply though
 - We are all **busy** students! (Especially potential grad students...)
 - Check out my website: **chiragbharadwaj.com**
- I wish you the best of luck with future studies!
 - *Did this class interest you?* Consider a **math major** or **music major** at university! Talk to people and join a research group.
 - Take a related class at high school through **local colleges**
 - Think ahead, **plan** for a little while, even if you're still **young**



*Hope you
had fun!*

*Splash!
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