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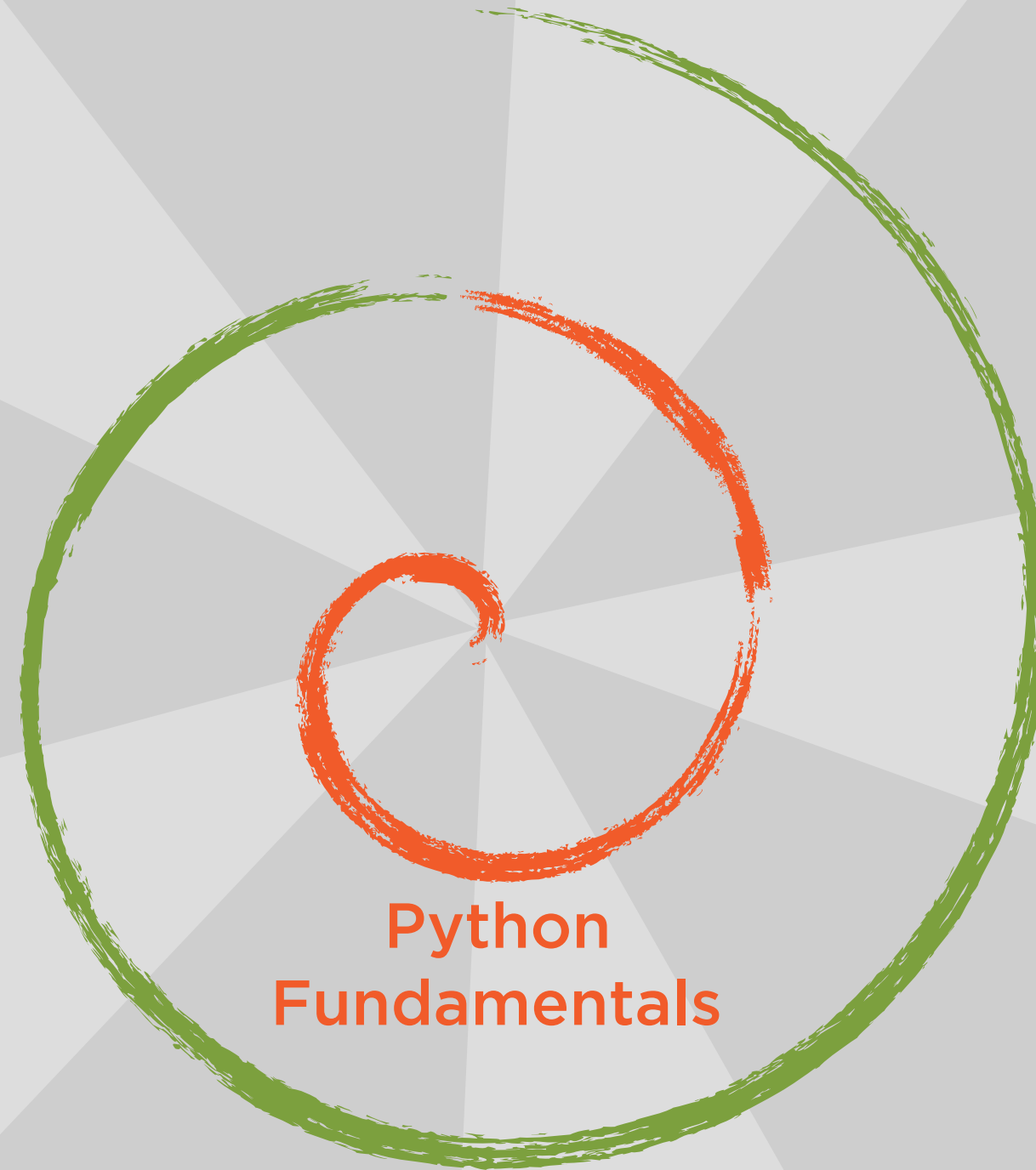
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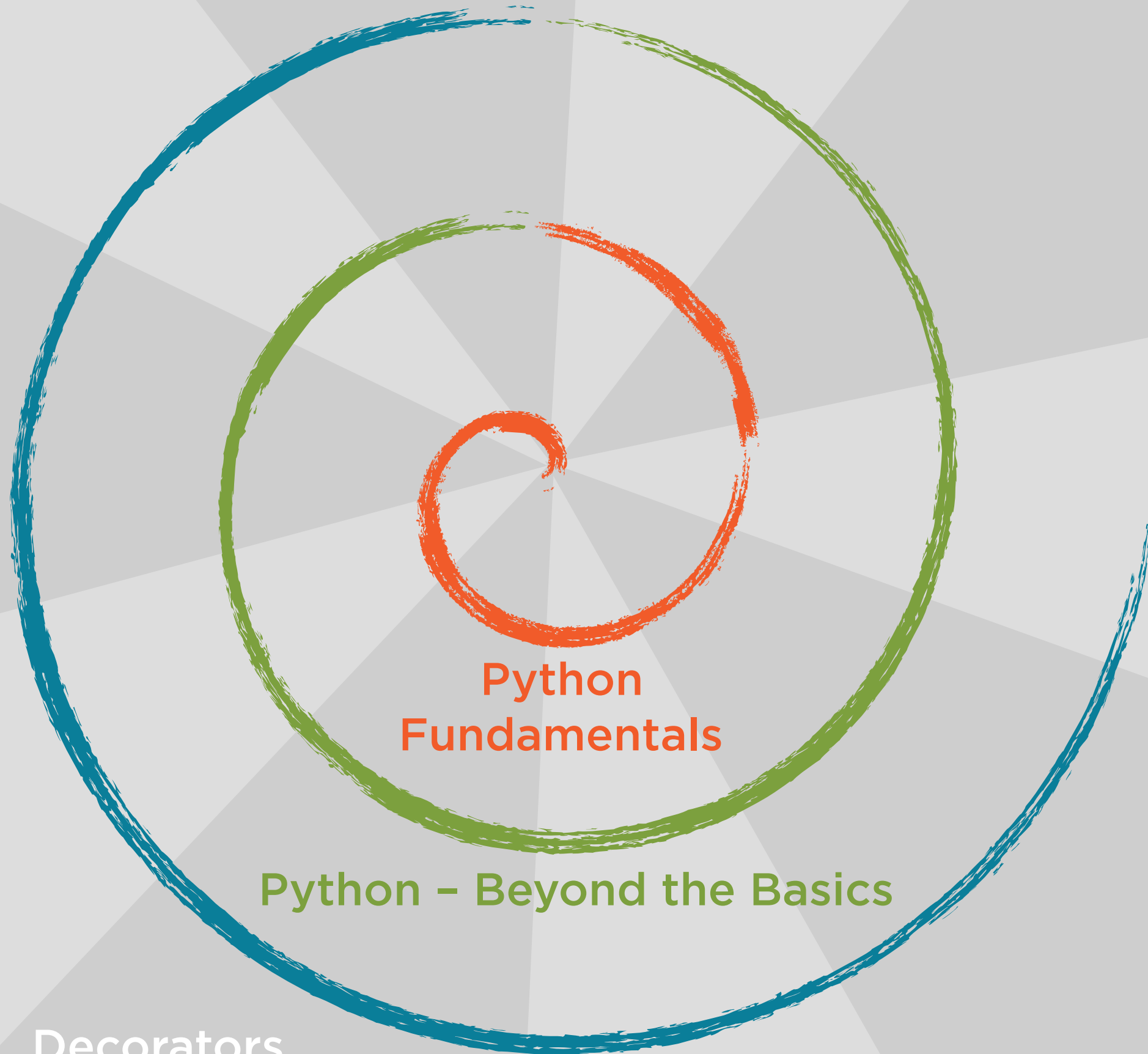
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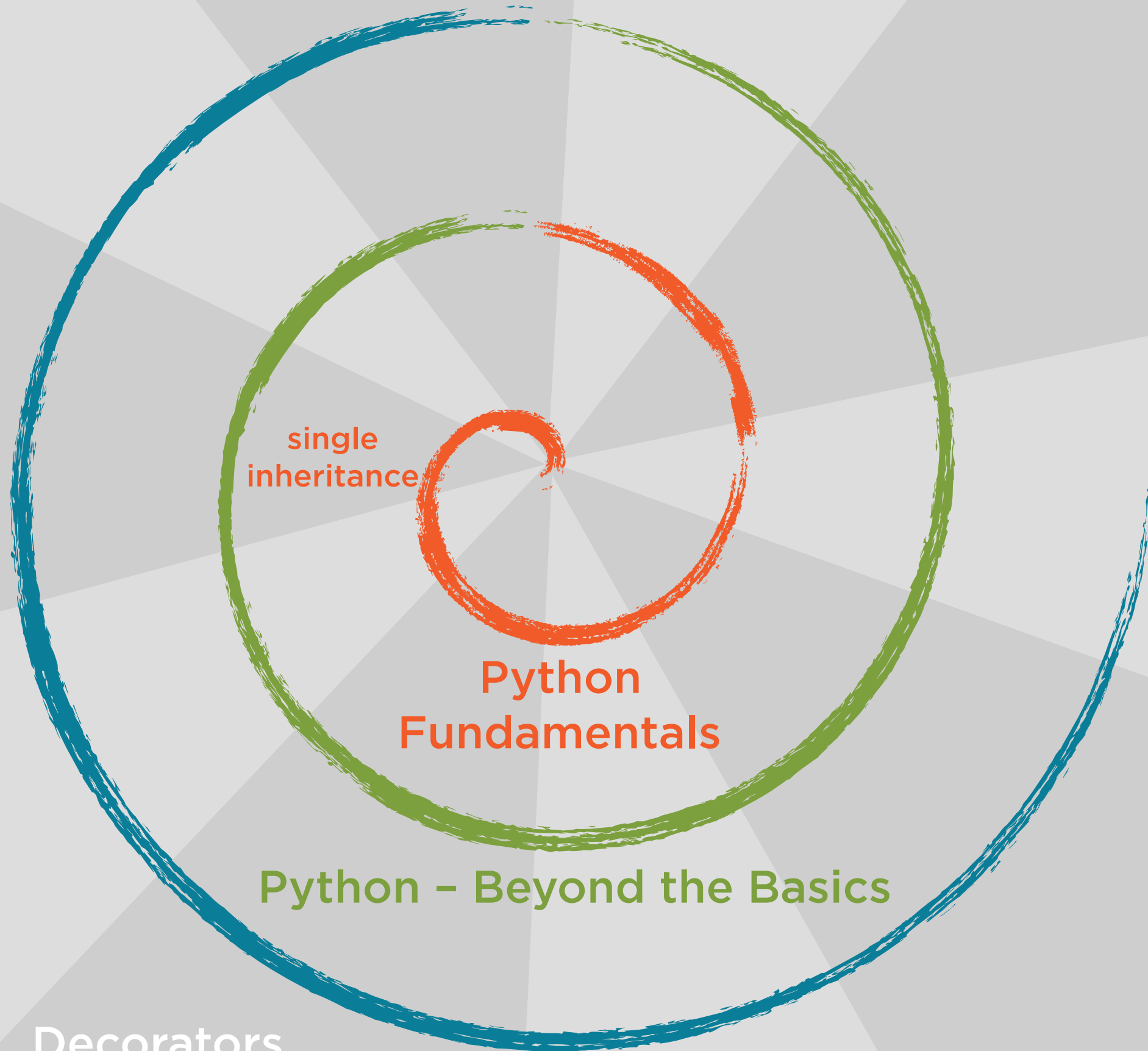
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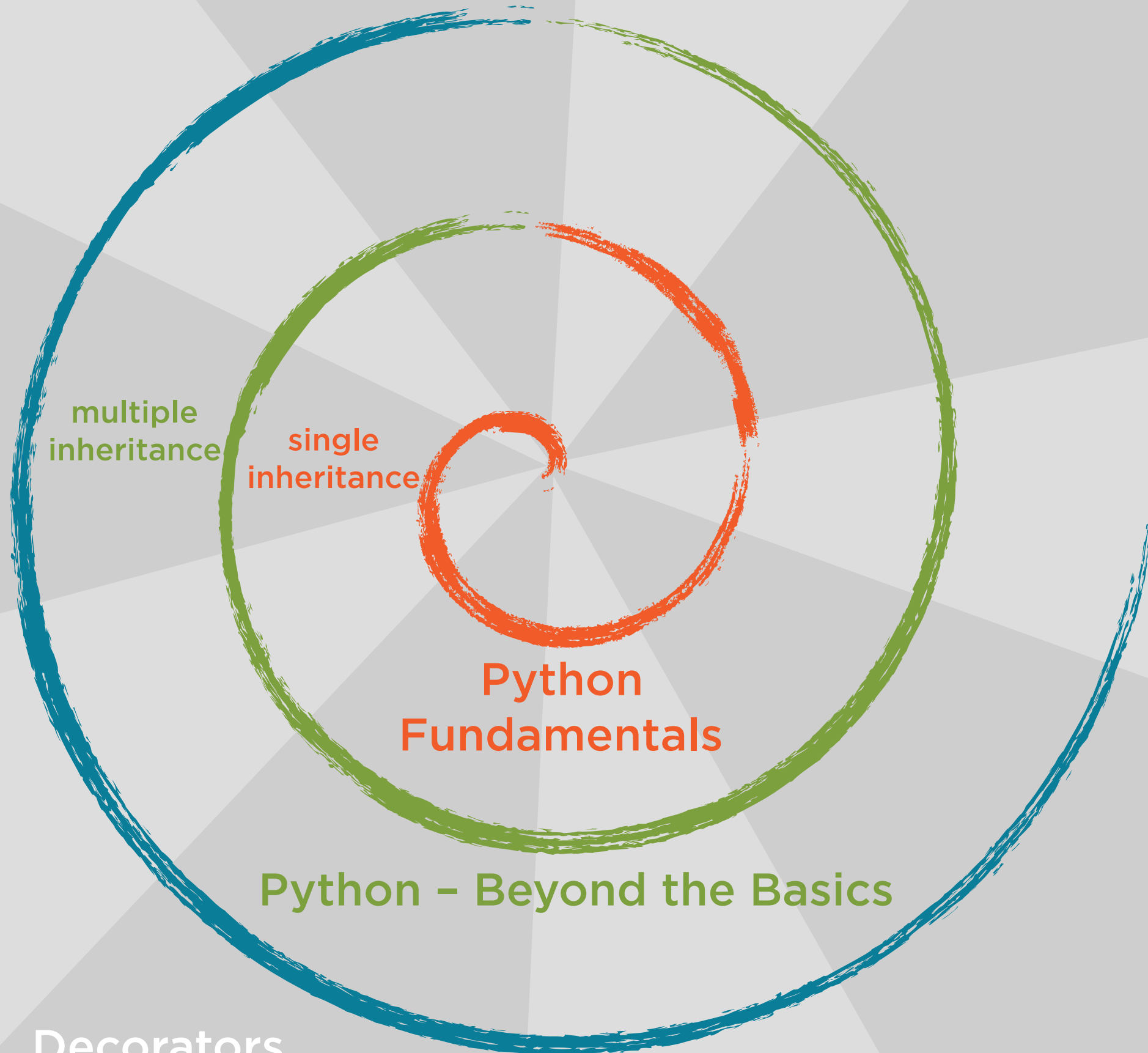
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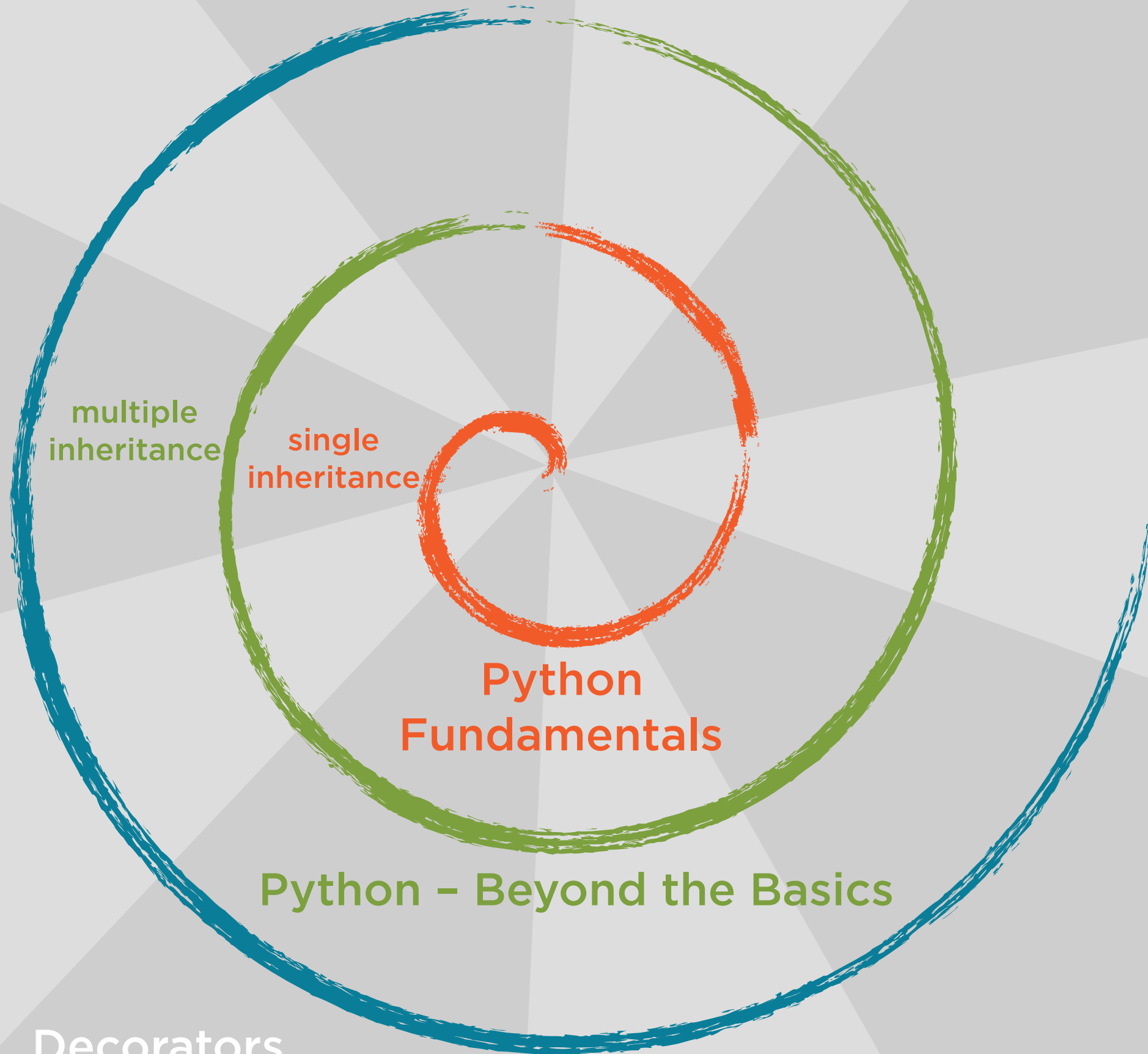
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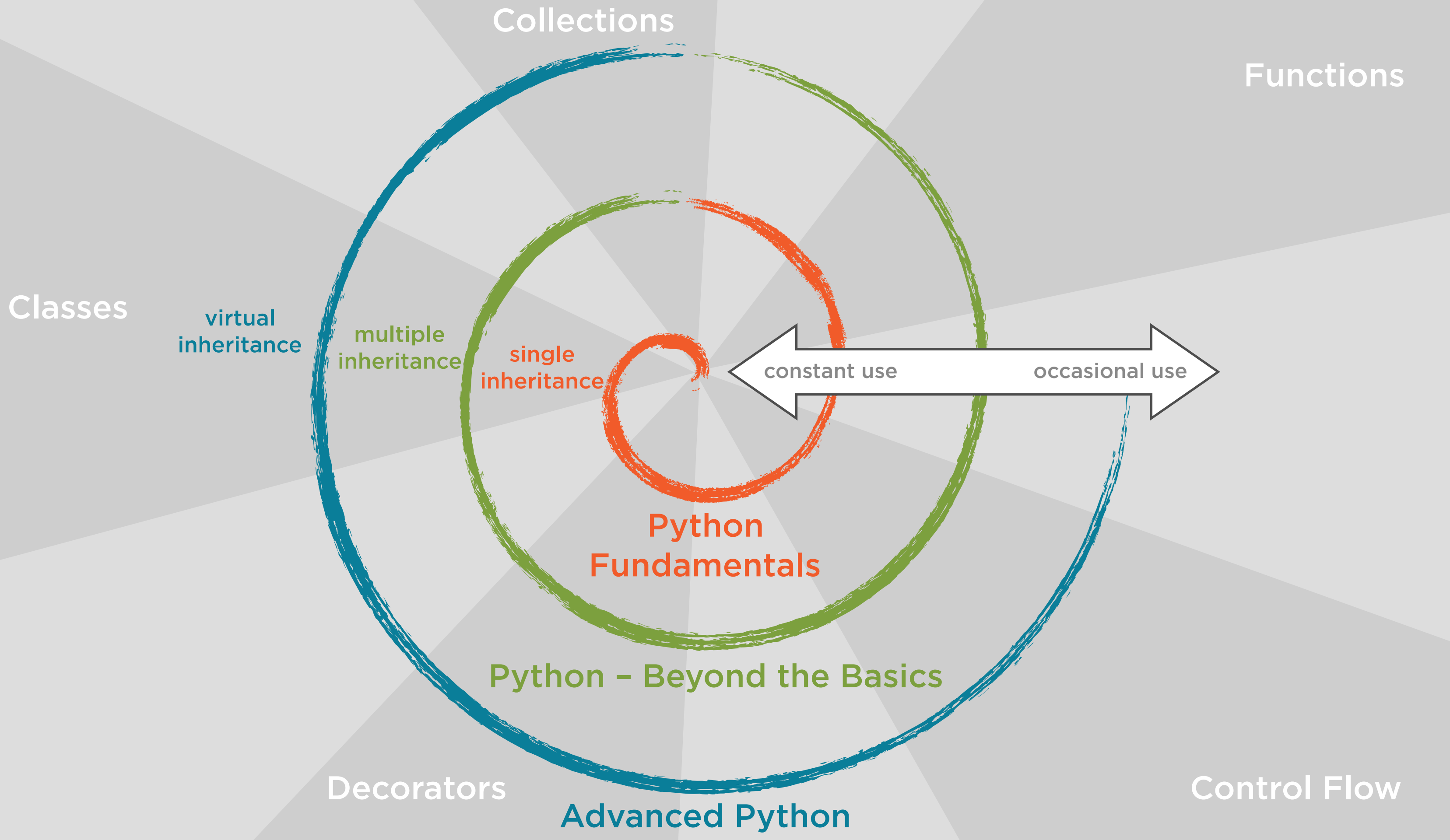
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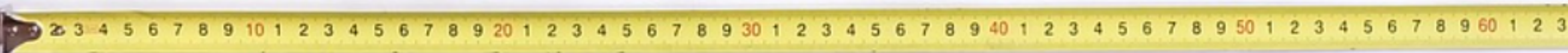
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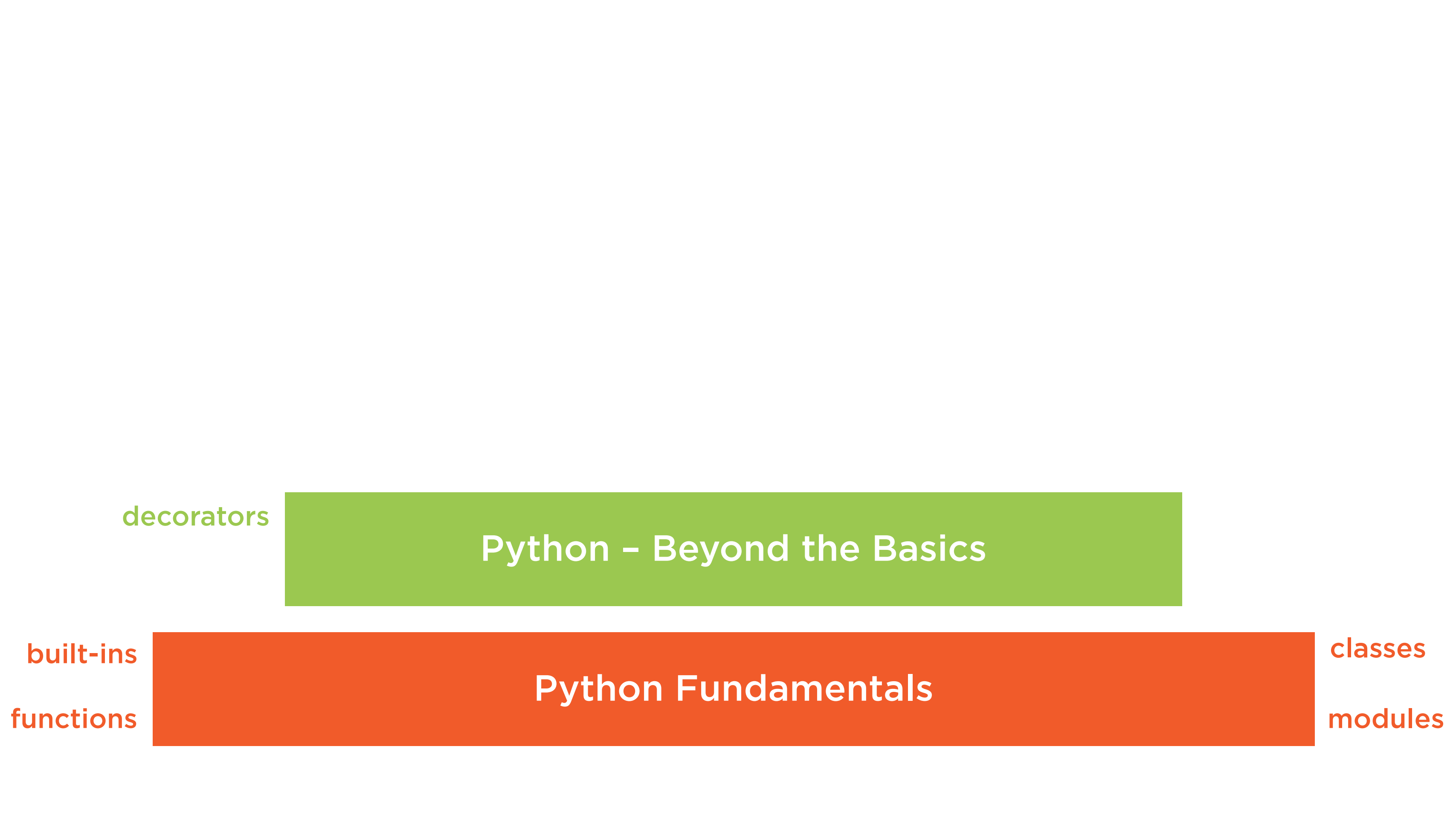
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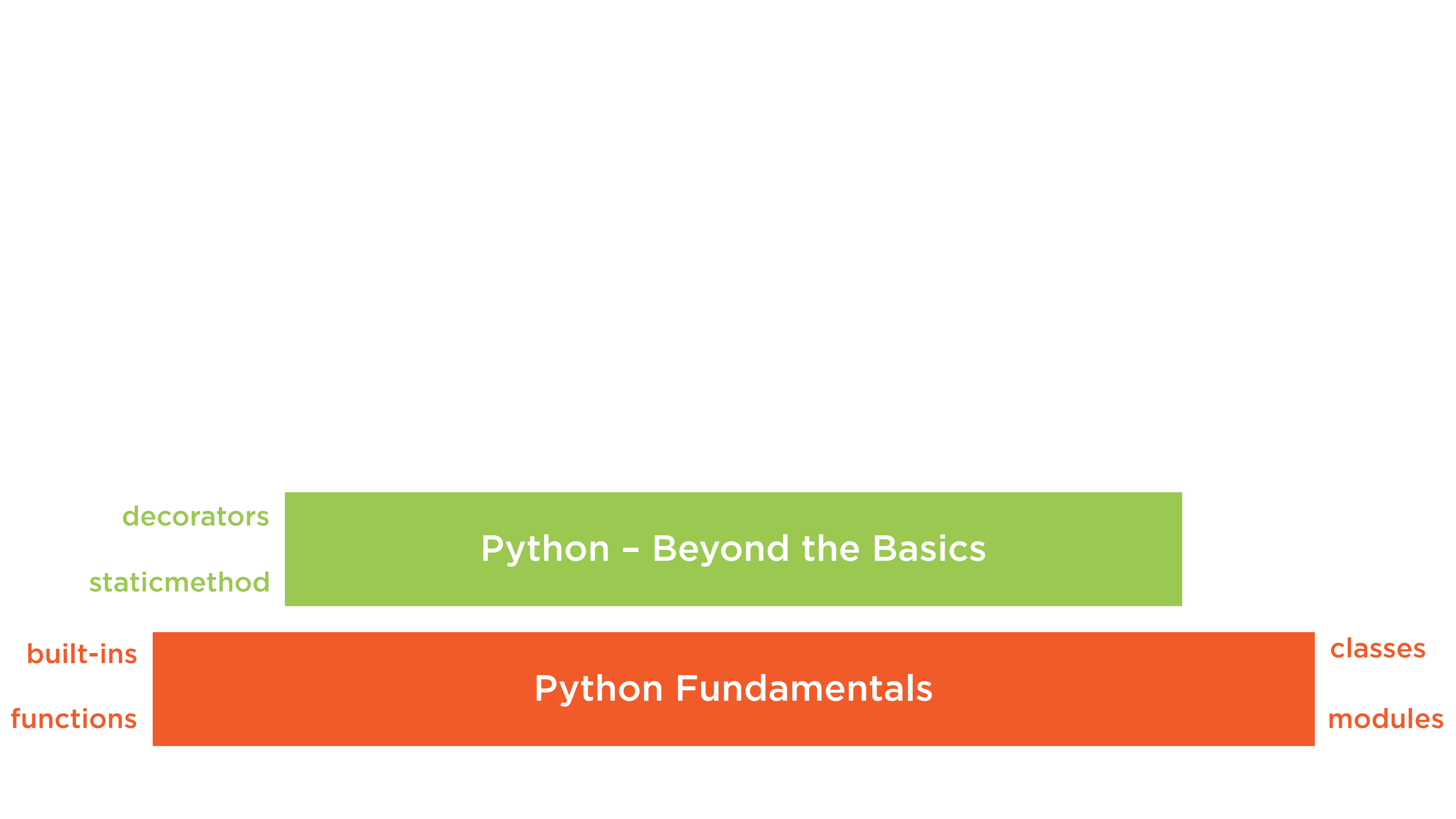
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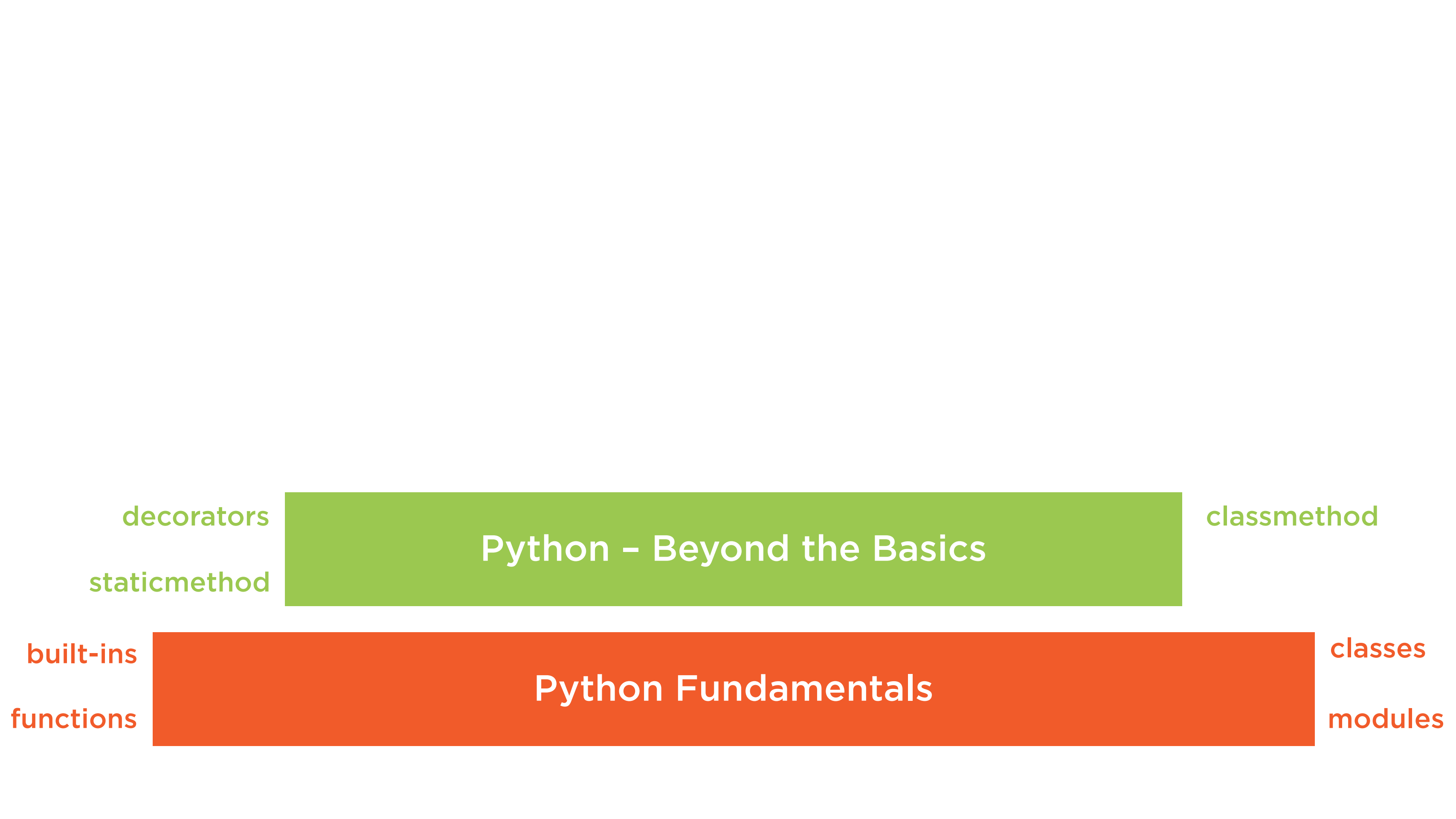
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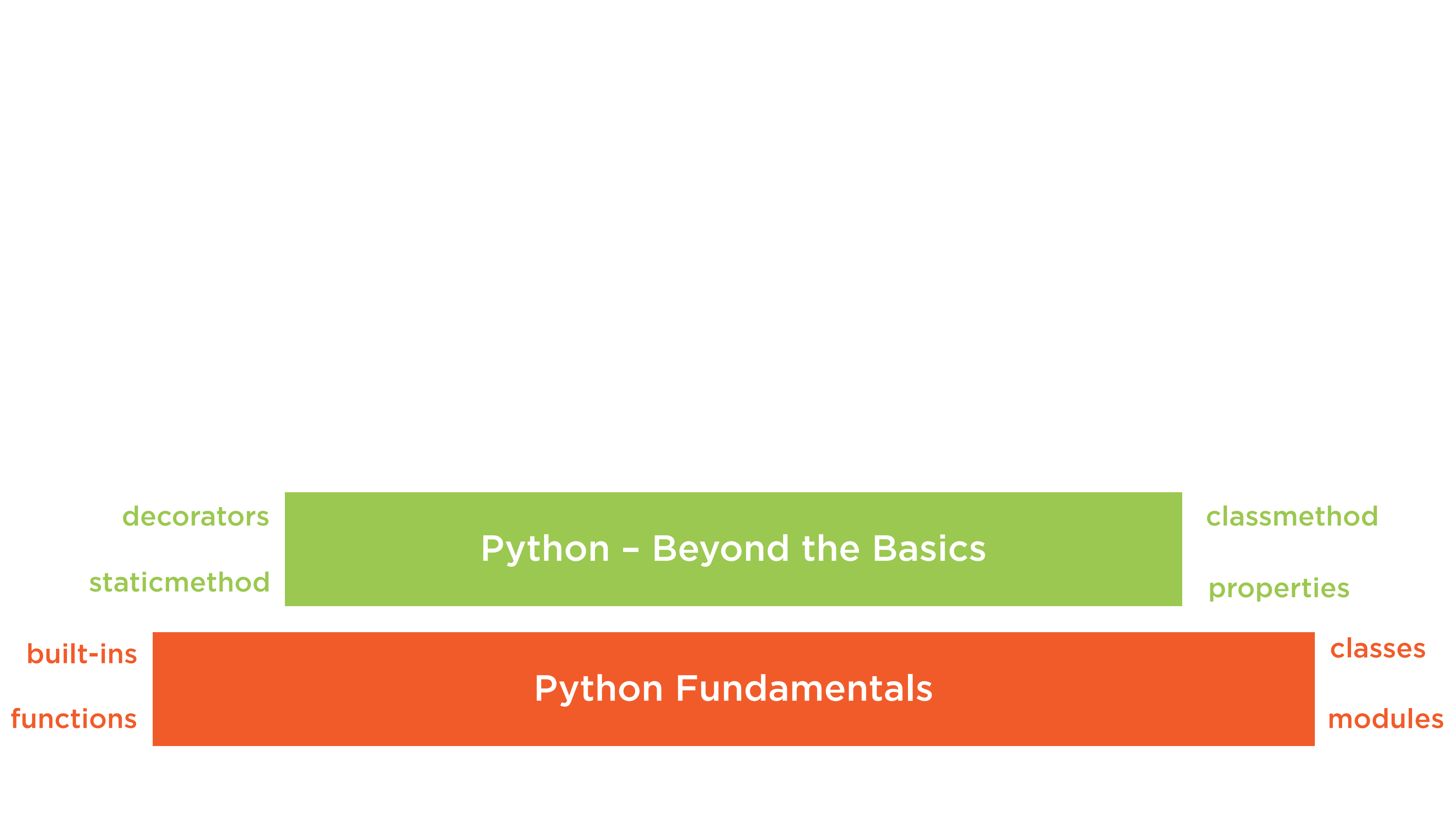
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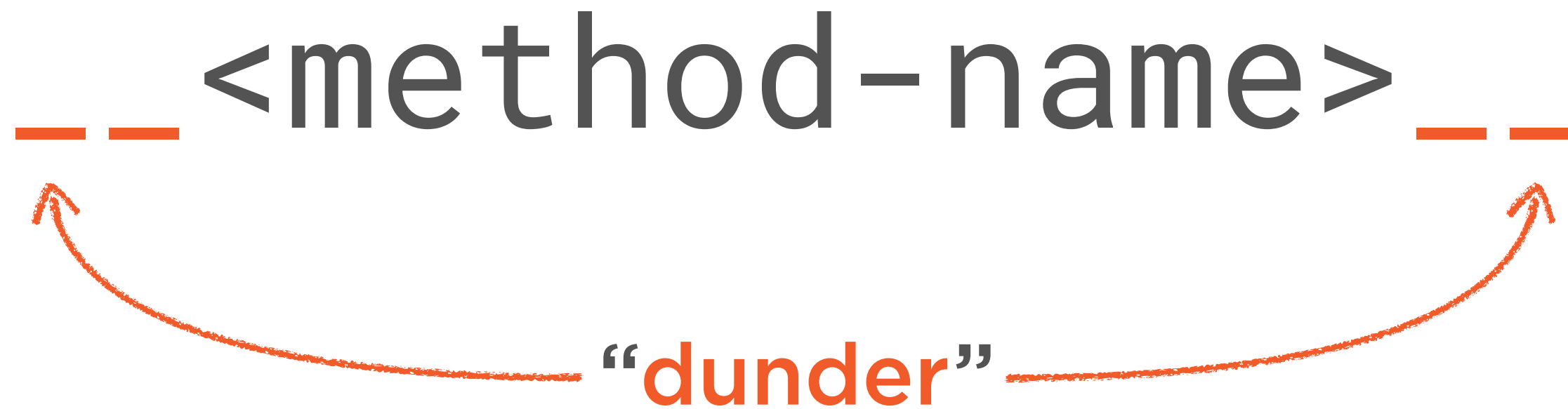
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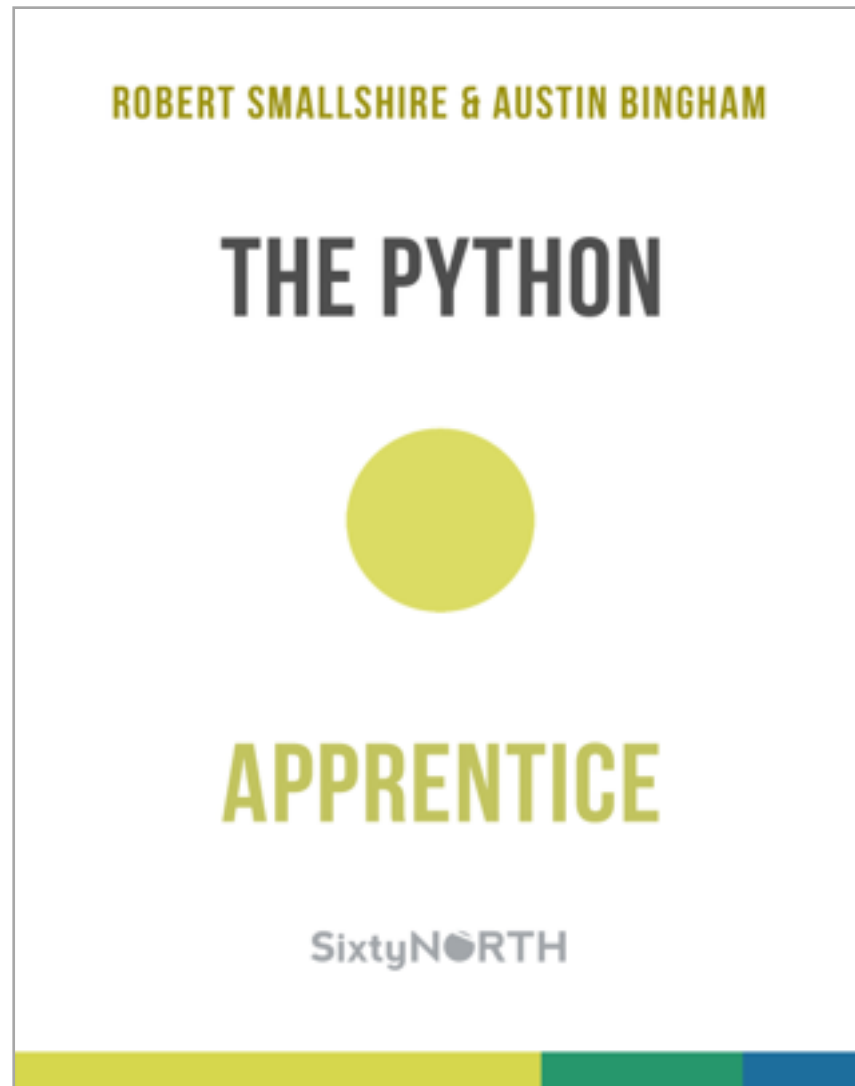
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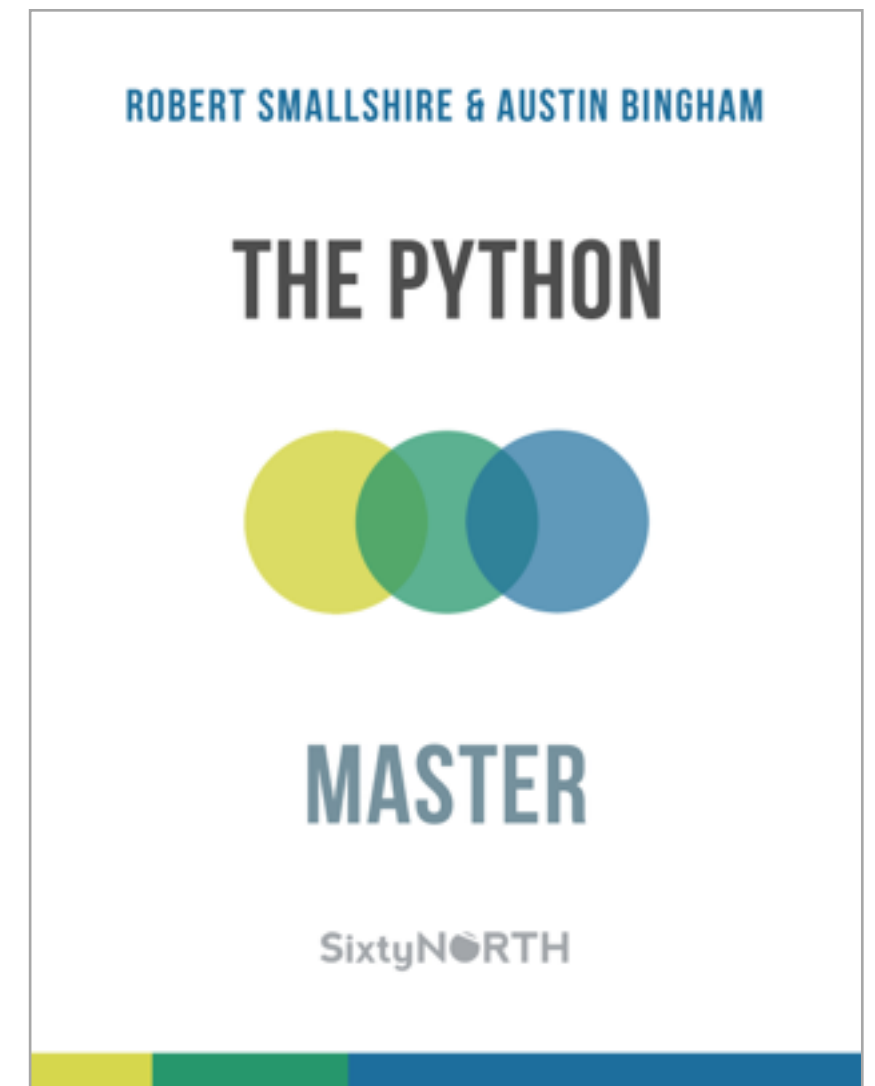
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Assist readers of your code with a helpful **comment**

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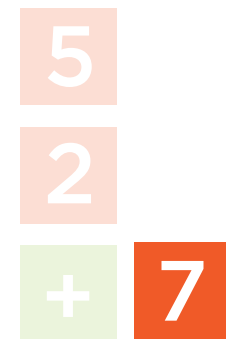


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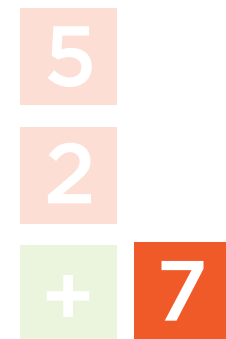


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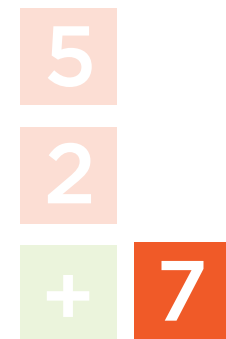
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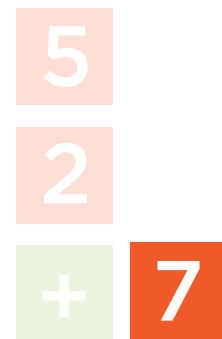


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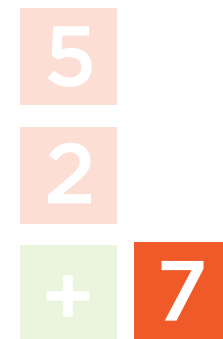


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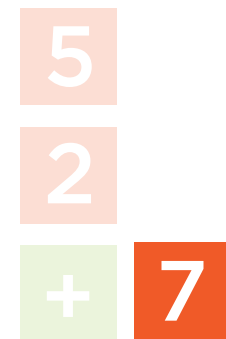


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Remember – the `else` clause is really the no-break clause

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Even experts are confused

A majority interviewed at PyCon 2011 could not properly understand loop-else clauses

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Refactor! Extract method.

Try-else Clauses

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except ValueError:  
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Ambiguous!

**Which call raised the
ValueError?**

The `try...else` Construct

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Focussed

**Try-block specific to the
open operation**

Emulating Switch

The `switch` Statement in C

```
switch (menu_option) {  
    case 1:  single_player();    break;  
    case 2:  multi_player();     break;  
    case 3:  load_game();        break;  
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    default:  
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Multi-way branching
with optional default

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Option #1 - `if ... elif ... elif ... else`

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There is no switch construct in Python

Option #1 – `if ... elif ... elif ... else`

Option #2 – Mapping of callables

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**Refactor an adventure game from
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- most developers don't understand loop-else clauses!

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try...except...else

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