

Final Exam Preview Spring 2025

Our exam is scheduled for Thursday, May 8 at 11:00 AM

A. Adding counts to rhythms

We'll go all the way back to the beginning and add counts to a few rhythms in 4/4. This will include a dotted quarter-note "heartbeat" figure, and also some sixteenth-note "grasshoppers" and "telephones." As usual I'll ask for numbers in parentheses where the beats do not sound.

1 (2) + 3 4 | 1 (2) 3 (4)

1 + a 2 + 3 4 + a | 1 + 2 3 (4)

(If you don't quite remember the dotted "heartbeat" rhythm you could practice by putting counts in our rhythmic anthology Part F.)

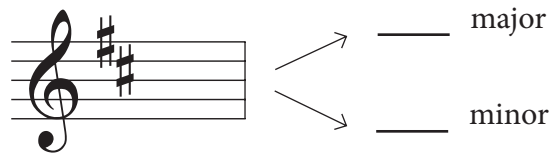
B. Making some scales

We'll spell out some major and minor scales, including the "harmonic" minor variant. These days a lot of you guys like to use key signatures - I think you should apply the accidentals directly to the notes for this part but you can use a key sig if you really want to.

Q: Make an $A\flat$ major scale.

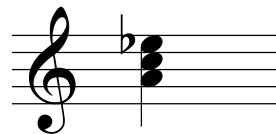
C. Identifying key sigs

Here I give you a key signature and you identify both the major key and the relative minor key it represents.



D. Making some triads

I ask for a few triads, you make 'em on the staff. Includes all four kinds, major, minor, diminished and augmented.



A diminished

E. Intervals

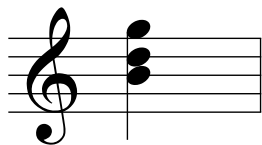
They're baaaack. I give starter notes, arrows, and interval sizes, you make that interval above or below the note. Not too many - maybe six of them @ 2 points each.



↑ m3 ↑ P5 ↓ M2

F. Recognizing inverted triad shapes

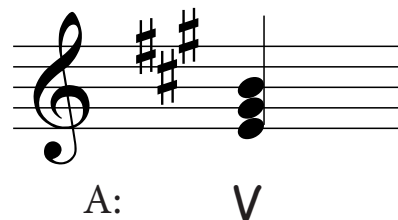
Here I give you a triad in an inversion and you ID it.



G major
in 1st inversion

G. Recognizing Some Roman Numerals

I give you a key sig, a key indicator, and a triad. You figure out what roman numeral it is.



H. Progressions

We'll do some more progressions. This will include include our new moves (step zone, double common tone).

HOMEWORK DEADLINE

Remember that your davesmey.com profile has complete information on your grade, including your homework record. In general each homework assignment is worth about 1.5 points on your final grade. I will take homework all the way until our final (on Thursday, May 8.)

You could even email me pictures of homework during finals week, and I would maybe send feedback.