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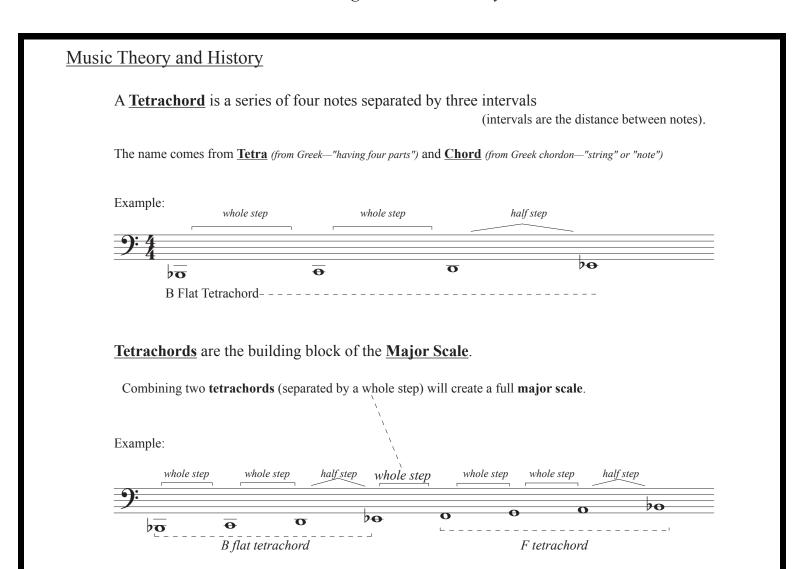
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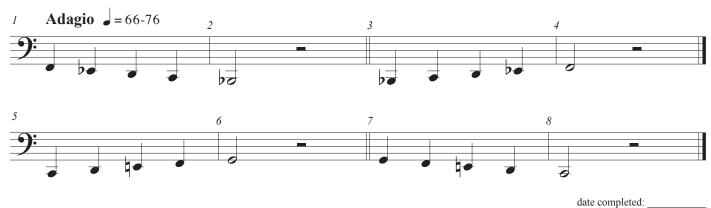
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LEVEL 1, TETRACHORDS

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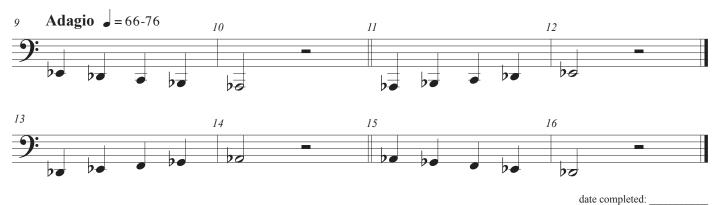


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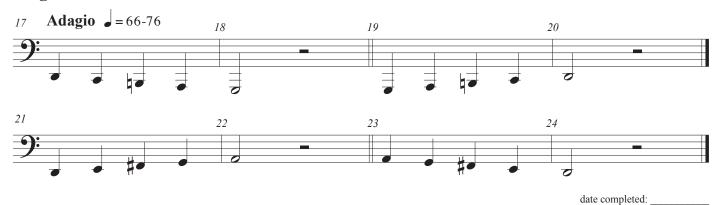


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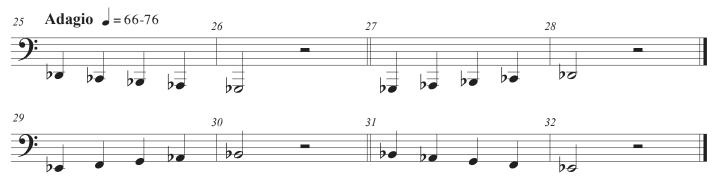
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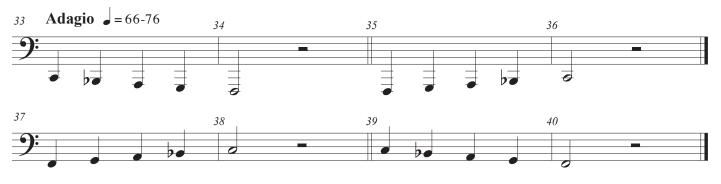


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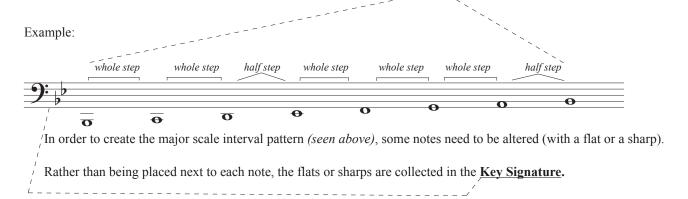
LEVEL 2, MAJOR SCALES IN ONE OCTAVE

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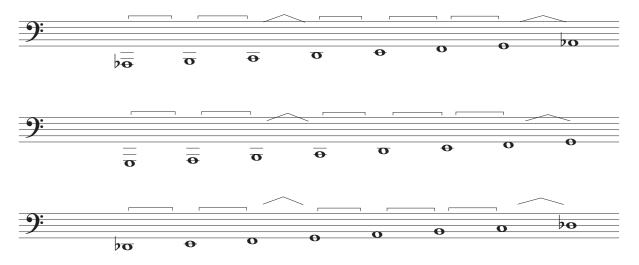
The **Major Scale** is one of the most commonly used musical scales, especially in Western music.

Like many scales, it is made up of eight notes, with the top note being the Octave (from Latin "octavus", the eighth).

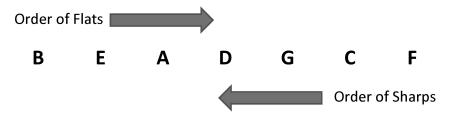


Let's create a key signature using this interval pattern

Add flats or sharps to the notes between the octaves in order to create a major scale pattern.



Using this technique, you can create all possible key signatures. You will find that the order of flats or sharps created is:



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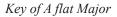
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Key of B flat Major







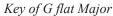


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Stage 2: Db, Gb, and Cb Major Scale

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Stage 3: F, C, and G Major Scale

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LEVEL 3, MAJOR SCALES AND SCALAR PATTERNS

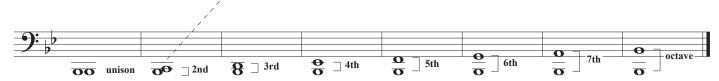
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In addition to the eight pitches that make a scale, there are also seven **Intervals**.

In music, the **Interval** is the distance between two pitches (see staff below).

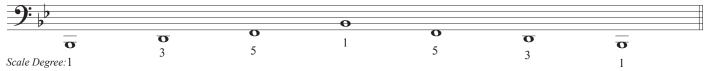
As we said before, the major scale is created using whole steps and half step, which both are classified as the interval of a 2nd.



An **Arpeggio** (from Italian arpeggio, literally "harping," from arpeggiare "to play upon the harp,") is a type of broken chord, in which the notes are played or sung in a rising or descending order.

Arpeggios are created using intervals greater than a 2nd, primarily using 3rds (seen below).

Example:



A Major Arpeggio (seen above) is built from the 1st, 3rd, and 5th note of the major scale.

Music is made up of many types of scales and scalar patterns (such as the example below).

Practicing & Mastering a variety of patterns will better prepare you for music performance.



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Stage 1: Bb and Eb Major Scale and Scalar Patterns



Stage 2: Ab and Db Major Scale and Scalar Patterns



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Stage 3: Gb and Cb Major Scale and Scalar Patterns

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5 Key of G flat Major



Stage 4: E and A Major Scale and Scalar Patterns



Stage 5: D and G Major Scale and Scalar Patterns



Stage 6: C and F Major Scale and Scalar Patterns



LEVEL 4, CHROMATIC SCALE IN TRITONES

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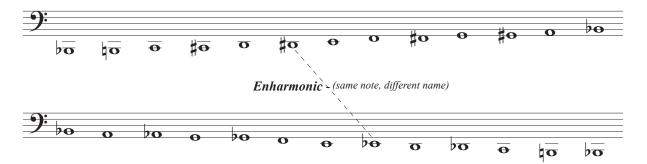
A **Chromatic Scale** is made up entirely of half steps and uses every note between the octave.

The word "chromatic" comes from Latin chromaticus, from Greek khrōmatikos "relating to color, suited for color".

Chromatic Scales are unique for their use of enharmonic spellings of note names.

Typically, when a **Chomatic Scale** is ascending, notes are altered with sharps (Top Line).

When a **Chromatic Scale** is descending, notes are altered with flats (Bottom Line).



Tetrachords are the building blocks for a Major Scale; **Tritones** are the building blocks for a **Chromatic Scales**.

A **Tritone** is the musical interval that divides an octave directly into two equal parts.

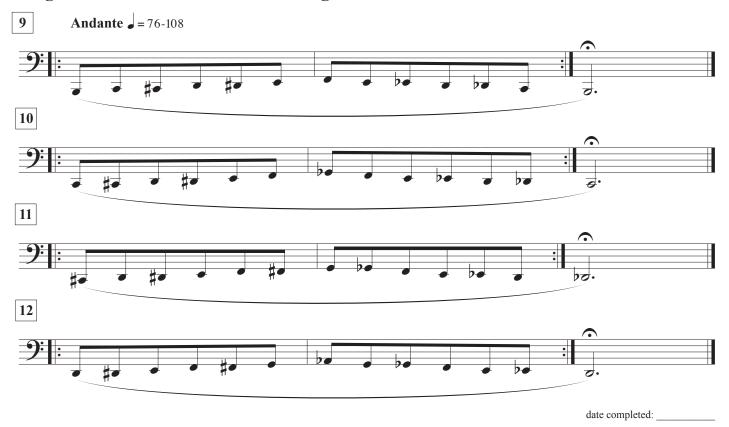
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Stage 2: Chromatic Tritones Descending, Db - E

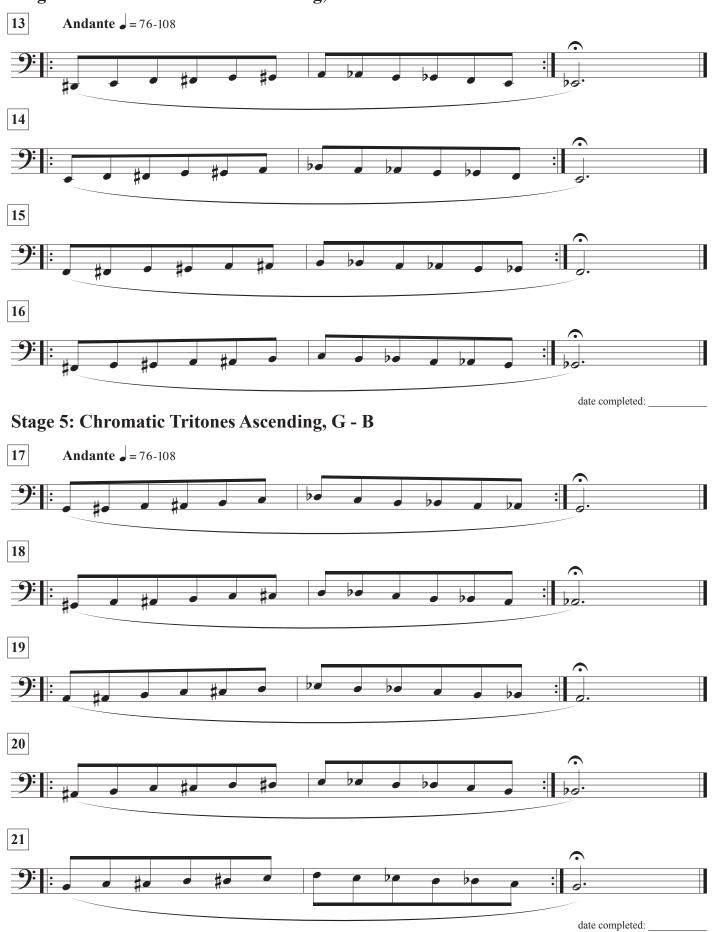


Stage 3: Chromatic Tritones Ascending, B - D



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Stage 4: Chromatic Tritones Ascending, D# - F#



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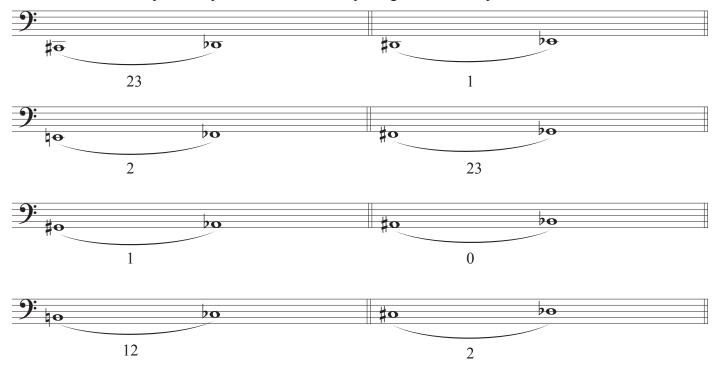
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A <u>Chromatic Scale</u> uses every note between an octave, and often uses <u>Enharmonic</u> note name.

Enharmonic- relating to notes that are the same in pitch, though bearing different names.

(For example, the notes F sharp and G flat, although not spelled the same, sound and are played the same.)

Here are a couple examples of **Enharmonic** spellings of the same pitch:

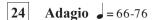


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Stage 2: A and B Chromatic Scale



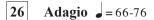


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Stage 3: C and D Chromatic Scale









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Stage 4: E and F Chromatic Scale





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LEVEL 6, MINOR SCALES IN ONE OCTAVE

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Next to the major scale, The **Minor Scale** is the next most commonly used type musical scale.

Unlike the major scale, the **Minor Scale** comes in three different variations:

(1) Natural minor scale, (2) Harmonic minor scale, (3) Melodic minor scale.

Below is an example of the Natural Minor Scale:



"Wait... why is the key signiture the same as B flat major?!?", thought the observant student.

Great question! Both the key of **B flat major** and **G minor** use two flats (B flat and E flat).

It is the starting/ending note of the scale that now determines what type of tonality you are in.

Major and minor scales that have the same key signatures are called **Relative Keys**.

In Level 3, we breifly seen **Scale Degrees**, which describes a notes relative position in the scale.

Rather than starting on Scale Degree 1 in a major key, if you start on Scale Degree 6 you create a minor scale.



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Stage 1: G and C minor Scale





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Stage 2: F and B Flat minor Scale





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Stage 3: E Flat and A Flat minor Scale





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Stage 4: C Sharp and F Sharp minor Scale





Stage 5: B and E minor Scale





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Stage 6: A and D minor Scale





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LEVEL 7, MAJOR SCALES IN TWO OCTAVES

Progressive Scale Study

Music Theory and History

Performing scales in multiple octaves promotes fluidity and control, especially when practiced in a variety of articulations (*slurred and tongued*).

Although the written line is tongued ascending and slurred descending, you are encouraged to use a variety of patterns (such as slurred up, tongued down).

Examples:



Scales in this chapter are not presented like in previous chapters.

Rather than being organized by the number of flats/sharps (Circle of Fifths), these scales are presented chromatically (moving

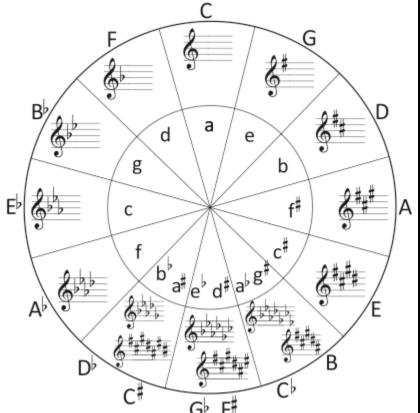
between keys by half step).

This is to mitigate the leaps in pitch range, allowing more consistent repetitions from key to key.

<u>Circle of 5ths</u> uses the interval of an ascending 5th (refer to chapter 3) to move between keys.

When done for all 12 major keys, this creates an unending loop of key relations. (key of C-G-D-etc.)

Notice:this same patter also works for minor keys as well.



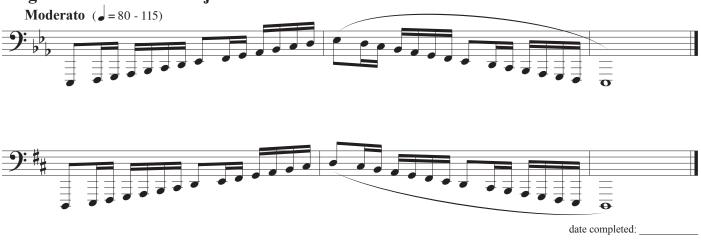
Circle of 5th

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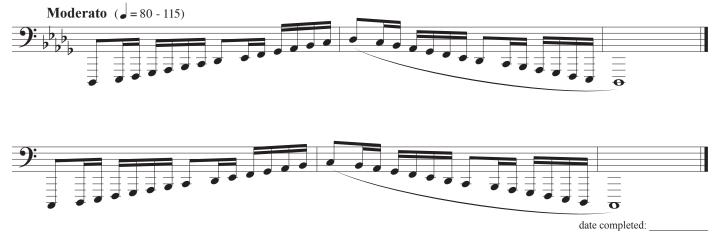
Stage 1: F and E Major Scale in Two Octaves



Stage 2: E Flat and D Major Scale in Two Octaves



Stage 3: D Flat and C Major Scale in Two Octaves



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Stage 5: A Flat and A Major Scale in Two Octaves





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Stage 6: B Flat, B, and C Major Scale in Two Octaves







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LEVEL 8, HARMONIC AND MELODIC MINOR

Progressive Scale Study

Music Theory and History

As mentioned in Chapter 6, the **Minor Scale** comes in three different variations:

(1) Natural minor scale, (2) Harmonic minor scale, (3) Melodic minor scale

Example:



The <u>Natural Minor Scale</u> (or Aeolian mode) is the scale that is built by starting on the 6th degree of its relative major scale.

For instance, the G natural minor scale can be built by starting on the 6th degree of the B flat major scale:



The <u>Harmonic Minor Scale</u> has the same notes as the natural minor, except that the seventh degree is raised by one half step.

This creates an augmented second (three half steps) between the sixth and seventh degrees.



While some composers have used this interval (aug 2nd) to advantage in melodic composition, others felt it to be an awkward leap and preferred smooth melody writing.

To eliminate this, these composers <u>raised</u> the 6th/7th in the ascending form of the scale, while <u>lowering</u> 6th/7th in the descending form of the scale.



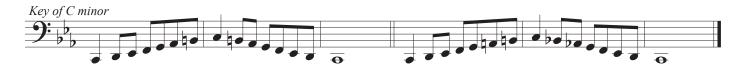
This creates laste version of the minor scale, the Melodic Minor Scale.

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Stage 1: G and C Harmonic and Melodic minor Scales

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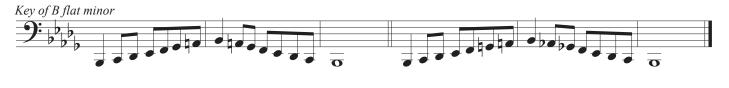


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Stage 2: F and B Flat Harmonic and Melodic minor Scales

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Stage 3: E Flat and A Flat Harmonic and Melodic minor Scales





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Stage 4: C Sharp and F Sharp Harmonic and Melodic minor Scales

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Stage 5: B and E Harmonic and Melodic minor Scales





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Stage 6: A and D Harmonic and Melodic minor Scales

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LEVEL 9, MAJOR AND MINOR ARPEGGIOS

Progressive Scale Study

Music Theory and History

An **Arpeggio** is a type of broken chord, in which the notes are played in a rising/descending order.

Arpeggios/chords can be arranged in a variety of different orders, called **Inversions**.

The term **Inversion** describes the relationship of its lowest note to the other notes in the chord.

For instance, let's look at the B flat major arpeggio/chord, which contains the pitches B flat, D, and F.

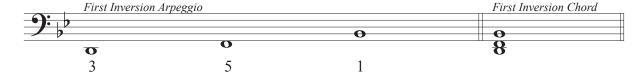


Notice that in both the arpeggio and the chord, B flat is the lowest sounding note.

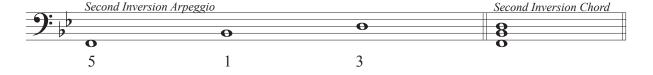
As this is the note that the chord was built off of (scale degree 1), The inversion presented here is called **Root Position.**

With a three note chord/arpeggio, there are two other types of inversions (seen below).

First Inversion chords/arpeggios is when the 3rd scale degree is the lowest sounding note.



Second Inversion chords/arpeggios is when the 5th scale degree is the lowest sounding note.



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Stage 1: Key of B flat and E flat, Major/minor Arpeggios



Stage 2: Key of A flat and D flat, Major/minor Arpeggios



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Stage 3: Key of G flat and C flat, Major/minor Arpeggios



Stage 4: Key of E and A, Major/minor Arpeggios



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Stage 5: Key of D and G, Major/minor Arpeggios



Stage 6: Key of C and F, Major/minor Arpeggios



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