

Higher revision

Classical period

Symphony

String Quartet

Sonata

Sonata Form

Binary Form

Rondo Form

Ternary Form

Alberti Bass

Exposition

Subject

Dominant 7th

Diminished 7th

A structure with 3 main sections: exposition, development, and recapitulation.

A piece for solo chordal instrument (usually piano) or solo with chordal instrument

A form with two sections: A and B.

A broken chord pattern used in classical music, often played as low-high-middle-high.

The first section of sonata form

A four-note chord built from stacked minor 3rds, giving a tense, dissonant sound.

Chamber music for two violins, a viola, and a cello.

A three-part form: A – B – A.

A large-scale work for orchestra, usually in 4 movements.

A musical form with a recurring theme (A) alternating with contrasting sections (B, C etc.), e.g. ABACA.

A major chord with an added minor 7th , pulling towards the tonic

The main themes in sonata form

Chords recognition 1

Listen to the following chords, and, for each, decide what they are.

Chords based on the major chord:

Major chord

Music notation: Treble clef, 8th note, G, B, D.

Piano keyboard diagram: Shows the notes G (1), B (3), D (5) highlighted in green. The text "Major chord" is written above the piano keys.

This consists of the 1st-3rd and 5th notes of the major scale

Dominant 7th

Music notation: Treble clef, 8th note, G, B, D, F, G dom7.

Piano keyboard diagram: Shows the notes G, B, D, F highlighted in green. The note G dom7 is highlighted in blue. The text "Dominant 7th" is written above the piano keys.

The major chord with the minor 7th note added— one tone lower than an octave. The dominant 7th is used to pull music back to the tonic. The chord above is G7, which is the Dominant 7th in the key of C.

Added 6th

Music notation: Treble clef, 8th note, G, B, D, E, G maj6.

Piano keyboard diagram: Shows the notes G, B, D, E highlighted in green. The note G maj6 is highlighted in orange. The text "Added 6th" is written above the piano keys.

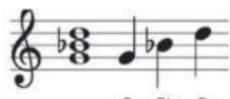
This is the major chord with the 6th note added – this makes it sound jazzy

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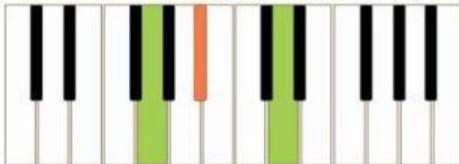
Chords recognition 2

Listen to the following chords, and, for each, decide what they are.

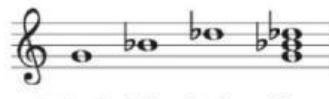
Chords based on the minor chord



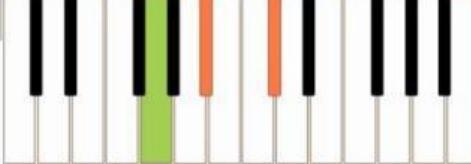
Minor chord



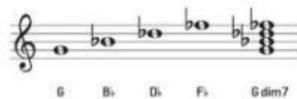
This consists of the 1st-3rd and 5th notes of the minor scale – NB this is the same as the major except the middle note (3rd) is a semitone lower



Diminished chord



This is the same as the minor except that the top note (5th) is a semitone lower. So, compare to the major chord, both the 3rd and the 5th are a semitone lower



Diminished 7th



This is the same as the diminished chord but with an added 7th. This 7th is a semitone less than the minor 7th that we saw in the dominant 7th. So, it is 3 semitones off the octave

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Chords recognition 3

Listen to the following chords, and, for each, decide what they are.

ALL CHORDS

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