

Single Beat Combinations

Read downward

1
 R L R L R L R L R L R L R L

13
 R R R R L L L L R R R R L L L L

2
 L R L R L R L R L R L R L R

14
 R L R L R R L L R L R L R R L L

3
 R R L L R R L L R R L L R R L L

15
 L R L R L L R R L R L R L L R R

4
 L L R R L L R R L L R R L L R R

16
 R L R L R L R R L R L R L R L L

5
 R L R R L R L L R L R R L R L L

17
 R L R L R L L R L R L R L R R L

6
 R L L R L R R L R L L R L R R L

18
 R L R L R R L R L R L R L L R L

7
 R R L R L L R L R R L R L L

19
 R L R L R R R L R L R L R R R L

8
 R L R L L R L R R L R L R L L R L R

20
 L R L R L L L R L R L R L L L R

9
 R R R L R R R L R R R L R R R L

21
 R L R L R L L L R L R L R L L L

10
 L L L R L L L R L L L R L L L R

22
 L R L R L R R R L R L R L R R R

11
 R L L L R L L L R L L L R L L L

23
 R L R L R R R R L R L R L L L L

12
 L R R R L R R R L R R R L R R R

24
 R R L L R L R R L L R R L R L L

* R = right stick
L = left stick

Repeat each exercise 20 times.

8 On A Hand

1

SN R L R L

TN R L R L

TN R L R L

4BD R L R L

5BD R L R L

CYM Choke

Detailed description: This system contains the first four measures of the piece. It features seven staves: SN, TN, TN, 4BD, 5BD, and CYM. The SN and TN staves play eighth-note patterns, alternating between right (R) and left (L) hands. The second TN staff plays a similar pattern but with a diamond symbol above each note. The 4BD and 5BD staves play sixteenth-note patterns, also alternating between R and L hands. The CYM staff plays a simple eighth-note pattern with the instruction 'Choke' written below the first measure.

5

SN R L R L

TN R L R L

TN R L R L

4BD R L R L

5BD R L R L

CYM R L R L

5

Detailed description: This system contains the next four measures of the piece. The notation is identical to the first system, but the measure numbers are now 5, 6, 7, and 8. The SN and TN staves continue their eighth-note patterns. The second TN staff continues with the diamond symbol. The 4BD and 5BD staves continue with their sixteenth-note patterns. The CYM staff continues with its eighth-note pattern.

8 On A Hand

SN
9 R L R L

TN
9 R L R L

TN
9 R L R L

4BD
9 R L R L

5BD
9 R L R L

CYM
9

This system contains six staves of musical notation. The top staff is labeled 'SN' and has a '9' below it. It features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes with alternating 'R' and 'L' markings. The second staff is labeled 'TN' and has a '9' below it. The third staff is also labeled 'TN' and has a '9' below it. The fourth staff is labeled '4BD' and has a '9' below it. The fifth staff is labeled '5BD' and has a '9' below it. The sixth staff is labeled 'CYM' and has a '9' below it. All staves show a consistent eighth-note rhythmic pattern.

SN
R L R (1 snare)

TN
13

TN
13 R L R

4BD
13 R L R

5BD
13 R L L

CYM
13

This system contains six staves of musical notation. The top staff is labeled 'SN' and has 'R L R (1 snare)' below it. The second staff is labeled 'TN' and has '13' below it. The third staff is labeled 'TN' and has '13 R L R' below it. The fourth staff is labeled '4BD' and has '13 R L R' below it. The fifth staff is labeled '5BD' and has '13 R L L' below it. The sixth staff is labeled 'CYM' and has '13' below it. The notation shows a change in the drum patterns, with some staves ending in rests or specific rhythmic figures.

(A) (B) (C)

SN 1 Right Hand 1st time through, Left Hand 2nd time

TN 1 Right Hand 1st time through, Left Hand 2nd time

BD 1 Right Hand 1st time through, Left Hand 2nd time

Cym 1

(A) (B) (C)

SN 7 R L R L R L

TN 7 R L R L R L

BD 7 R L R L R L

Cym 7

SN 13 Right Hand 1st time through, Left Hand 2nd time Alt. (1 snare)

TN 13 Right Hand 1st time through, Left Hand 2nd time Alt.

BD 13 Right Hand 1st time through, Left Hand 2nd time Alt.

Cym 13

Funky Accents

Arr. H. Morgan

Slow

SN
1 R R R R Etc.

TN
1 R R R R Etc.

BD 4
1 R (alt) R L R R L R L R R R L R L R R

BD 5
1 R (alt) R L R R L R L R R R L R L R R

CYM
1 Choke

SN
5 L L L L Etc.

TN
5 L L L L Etc.

BD 4
5 R R L R R L R L R R R L R L R R

BD 5
5 R R L R R L R L R R R L R L R R

CYM
5

R (Last Time)

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16th Accent

(All instruments in unison)

Arr. H. Morgan

The musical score consists of eight staves of music, each beginning with a treble clef and a common time signature (C). The music is written in a single line for all instruments in unison. The notation features 16th-note patterns with accents (>) above the notes. Hand indicators (R for right, L for left) are placed below the notes to indicate which hand plays each note. The patterns are as follows:

- Staff 1: Four measures of R R R R, followed by four measures of L L L L, then four measures of R R R R, and finally four measures of L L L L.
- Staff 2: Four measures of R R L L, followed by four measures of R R L L, then four measures of R R L L, and finally four measures of R R L L.
- Staff 3: Four measures of R L R L, followed by four measures of R L R L, then four measures of R L R L, and finally four measures of R L R L.
- Staff 4: Four measures of R RL RL, followed by four measures of LR LR, then four measures of RL RL, and finally four measures of R LR L.
- Staff 5: Four measures of R R L R, followed by four measures of L R L, then four measures of R L, and finally four measures of R LR L.
- Staff 6: Four measures of R L R R L, followed by four measures of R L R R, then four measures of R L R R L, and finally four measures of R L R R.
- Staff 7: Four measures of R R R RL RL, followed by four measures of L R RL RL, then four measures of R L R L, and finally four measures of R R RL R RLRL, ending with a single R note and the instruction "(1 snare)".

Simple Diddles

Arr. H. Morgan

1

SN R R R R R R R R L L etc. R L R L

TN R R R R R R R R L L etc. R L R L

BD 4 R R etc. L L etc. R

BD 5 R R etc. L L etc. R

Cym HH Choke

5

SN R L R L R L R L R (1 snare)

TN R L R L R L R

BD 4 R L L R

BD 5 R L L R

Cym

Diddles '06

Arr. H. Morgan

1

Musical score for the first system of 'Diddles '06'. It consists of four staves: SN (Snare Drum), TN (Tom), 4 BD (4-Bell Bongos), and 5 BD (5-Bell Bongos). The SN staff uses a 7/8 time signature and contains rhythmic notation with letters 'R' and 'L' below it. The TN staff uses an 8/8 time signature and contains rhythmic notation with letters 'R' and 'L' below it. The 4 BD and 5 BD staves use a 7/8 time signature and contain rhythmic notation with letters 'R' and 'L' below it. The 4 BD staff includes the text 'RLRLRL etc.' below the first few notes. The 5 BD staff includes the text 'RLRLRL etc.' below the first few notes. The system is marked with a '1' at the beginning.

7

Musical score for the second system of 'Diddles '06'. It consists of four staves: SN (Snare Drum), TN (Tom), 4 BD (4-Bell Bongos), and 5 BD (5-Bell Bongos). The SN staff uses a 7/8 time signature and contains rhythmic notation with letters 'R' and 'L' below it. The TN staff uses an 8/8 time signature and contains rhythmic notation with letters 'R' and 'L' below it. The 4 BD and 5 BD staves use a 7/8 time signature and contain rhythmic notation with letters 'R' and 'L' below it. The system is marked with a '7' at the beginning.

16/32

Arr. H Morgan

SN 
1
TN 
1
BD 4 
1 R L R etc. R L R etc. R L L R L etc.
BD 5 
1 R L R etc. R L R etc. R L L R L etc.
Cym 
1 Choke

SN 
5
TN 
5
BD 4 
5 R L R etc. R L R etc.
BD 5 
5 R L R etc. R L R etc.
Cym 
5 x = on Rim

SN 
9 (1 snare)
TN 
9
BD 4 
9
BD 5 
9
Cym 
9

Hugga Dugga Burr

Arr. H. Morgan

1

1 (alt. 1 drum)

1

1

1

1 (Cyms: Choke eighths; Crash quarters & halves)

This system contains the first five staves of the musical score. The top staff is labeled 'SN' (snare) and contains a continuous eighth-note pattern. The second staff is labeled 'TN' (tenor) and contains a similar eighth-note pattern. The third staff is labeled '4 BD' (4th bass drum) and contains a pattern of eighth notes with 'L' markings. The fourth staff is labeled '5 BD' (5th bass drum) and contains a pattern of eighth notes with 'L' markings. The fifth staff is labeled 'Cym' (cymbal) and contains a pattern of eighth notes with 'L' markings. A measure number '1' is placed at the beginning of each staff. A performance instruction '(alt. 1 drum)' is placed between the TN and 4 BD staves. A performance instruction '(Cyms: Choke eighths; Crash quarters & halves)' is placed below the Cym staff.

5

5

5

5

5

5

(BDs opt. 32nds)

(BDs opt. 32nds)

5

This system contains the next five staves of the musical score. The top staff is labeled 'SN' and contains a continuous eighth-note pattern. The second staff is labeled 'TN' and contains a similar eighth-note pattern. The third staff is labeled '4 BD' and contains a pattern of eighth notes with '5' markings. The fourth staff is labeled '5 BD' and contains a pattern of eighth notes with '5' markings. The fifth staff is labeled 'Cym' and contains a pattern of eighth notes with '5' markings. A measure number '5' is placed at the beginning of each staff. Performance instructions '(BDs opt. 32nds)' are placed between the 4 BD and 5 BD staves.

9

9

9

9

9

9

(1 snare)

Ck

9

This system contains the final five staves of the musical score. The top staff is labeled 'SN' and contains a continuous eighth-note pattern. The second staff is labeled 'TN' and contains a similar eighth-note pattern. The third staff is labeled '4 BD' and contains a pattern of eighth notes with '9' markings. The fourth staff is labeled '5 BD' and contains a pattern of eighth notes with '9' markings. The fifth staff is labeled 'Cym' and contains a pattern of eighth notes with '9' markings. A measure number '9' is placed at the beginning of each staff. A performance instruction '(1 snare)' is placed to the right of the SN staff. A performance instruction 'Ck' is placed below the Cym staff.

Triplet Diddles

Arr. H. Morgan

1

SN

TN

4 BD

5 BD

Cym

1 Tings

Detailed description: This system contains the first four staves of the musical score. The top staff (SN) features a continuous eighth-note triplet pattern. The second staff (TN) follows a similar pattern but includes occasional eighth-note pairs. The third staff (4 BD) and fourth staff (5 BD) play eighth-note triplet patterns, with the 5 BD staff showing some variation in the final measure. The fifth staff (Cym) provides a sparse accompaniment with dotted quarter notes and eighth-note triplet patterns. A measure rest is present in the Cym staff at the beginning of the second measure. A '1' is written below the Cym staff, and the word 'Tings' is written below the first measure.

5

SN

TN

4 BD

5 BD

Cym

5

Detailed description: This system contains the fifth through eighth staves of the musical score. The top staff (SN) continues with the eighth-note triplet pattern. The second staff (TN) continues with eighth-note triplet patterns and pairs. The third staff (4 BD) and fourth staff (5 BD) continue with eighth-note triplet patterns. The fifth staff (Cym) continues with dotted quarter notes and eighth-note triplet patterns. A '5' is written below the Cym staff at the beginning of the first measure.

Triplet Diddles

Arr. H. Morgan

Musical score for the first system of 'Triplet Diddles'. The score is arranged in five staves, each representing a different drum part: SN (Snare), TN (Tom), 4 BD (4-Band Bass Drum), 5 BD (5-Band Bass Drum), and Cym (Cymbal). Each staff begins with a '9' above the first measure, indicating a triplet of nine notes. The notation consists of rhythmic patterns of eighth and sixteenth notes with stems pointing up, typical of drum notation. The first system concludes with a double bar line.

Musical score for the second system of 'Triplet Diddles'. This system continues the drum parts from the first system. Each staff begins with a '13' above the first measure, indicating a triplet of thirteen notes. The notation follows the same rhythmic patterns as the first system. The second system concludes with a double bar line. Annotations include '(1 snare)' on the SN staff and 'Choke' on the Cym staff, indicating specific performance techniques.

Triplet Rolls

Arr. H. Morgan

SN 12/8

1

TN 12/8

1 (alt. 1 drum)

4 BD 12/8

5 BD 12/8

Cym 12/8

1 (Cyms: Choke eighths; Crash quarters & halves)

SN

5

TN

5

4 BD

5

5 BD

Cym

5

SN

9

TN

9

4 BD

9

5 BD

9

Cym

9

(1 snare)

Timing

Arr. H. Morgan

SN 1 R L R L etc. R L R etc. R R L etc.

TN 1 R L R L etc. R L R etc. R R L etc.

(alt 1 drum) 1 R L R L etc. R L R etc. R R L etc.

BD 4 1 R L etc. R L R etc. R R L R etc.

BD 5 1 R L etc. R L R etc. R R L R etc.

SN 5 R L L etc. L R L etc.

TN 5 R L L etc. L R L etc.

BD 4 5 R L L R L etc. L R L etc.

BD 5 5 R L L R L etc. L R L etc.

SN 9 (Play 2x)

TN 9

BD 4 9

BD 5 9

SN 17 (1 snare)

TN 17

BD 4 17 (x = on rim)

BD 5 17 (Play 4x) (x = on rim)

Triple Stroke

Arr. H. Morgan

SN & TN: Right Hand 1st x through, Left Hand on repeats.

Musical score for the first system, measures 1-4. The score is written for five staves: SN (Snare Drum), TN (Tom), 4 BD (4th Bass Drum), 5 BD (5th Bass Drum), and Cym (Cymbal). The time signature is common time (C). The notation includes triplets and various rhythmic patterns. Handing is indicated by 'R' for right and 'L' for left. The first measure of each staff is marked with a '1'.

SN: R R R etc.

TN: R R R etc.

4 BD: R L R etc. R L L R L etc. R R L etc. L R L etc.

5 BD: R L R etc. R L L R L etc. R R L etc. L R L etc.

Cym: Cr Ck Cr Ck

Musical score for the second system, measures 5-8. The time signature changes to 3/4. The notation includes triplets and various rhythmic patterns. Handing is indicated by 'R' for right and 'L' for left. The first measure of each staff is marked with a '5'.

SN: R

TN: R

4 BD: R R R L L R R L L R L R R R L R

5 BD: R R R L L R R L L R L R R R L R

Cym: Cr Ck Cr Ck Ck Ck Ck Ck

Musical score for the third system, measures 9-12. The time signature changes to common time (C). The notation includes triplets and various rhythmic patterns. Handing is indicated by 'R' for right and 'L' for left. The first measure of each staff is marked with a '9'.

SN: L R (1 Snare)

TN: R

4 BD: R L R etc.

5 BD: R L R etc.

Cym: Ck Ck Ck Ck Cr Ck

Placement Control

Arr. H. Morgan

SN $\frac{12}{8}$ R L ... R R L R R L R R L R R L R L ... R L L R L L R L L R L L

1

TN $\frac{12}{8}$ R L ... R R L R R L R R L R R L R L ... R L L R L L R L L R L L

1

BD 4 $\frac{12}{8}$

1

BD 5 $\frac{12}{8}$

1

SN R L ... R R L L R R L L R R L L R L ... R R R L L L R R R L L L

5

TN R L ... R R L L R R L L R R L R L ... R L ... R R R L L L R R R L L L

5

BD 4

5

BD 5

5

SN R R L ... L R L R R L R L R L L R

9

TN R L ... R L R L R R L R L R L L R

9

BD 4

9

BD 5

9

Paradiddles

Arr. H. Morgan

SN 1

TN

BD 4

BD 5

SN 5

TN

BD 4

BD 5

(cross)

SN 9

TN

BD 4

BD 5

(cross)

Paradiddle-Diddles

Arr. H. Morgan

Musical score for Paradiddle-Diddles, arranged by H. Morgan. The score is written for four parts: SN (Snare Drum), TN (Tom), BD 4 (Bass Drum 4), and BD 5 (Bass Drum 5). The time signature is 12/8. The score is divided into four measures. The first measure shows the initial rhythmic pattern with accents and fingerings (2) above the notes. The second and third measures continue the pattern with increasing complexity. The fourth measure concludes the piece with a final note and a fermata. The notation includes various rhythmic values such as eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests.

Double Paradiddles

Arr. H. Morgan

Musical score for Double Paradiddles, arranged by H. Morgan. The score is written for four parts: SN (Snare Drum), TN (Tom), BD 4 (Bass Drum 4), and BD 5 (Bass Drum 5). The time signature is 12/8. The score is divided into four measures. The first measure shows the initial rhythmic pattern with accents and fingerings (6) above the notes. The second and third measures continue the pattern with increasing complexity. The fourth measure concludes the piece with a final note and a fermata. The notation includes various rhythmic values such as eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests.

Jeremiah

Arr. H. Morgan

The musical score for "Jeremiah" is arranged for four parts: SN (Soprano), TN (Tenor), 4 BD (4 Bass Drum), and 5 BD (5 Bass Drum). The score is divided into four systems, each containing four staves. The first system (measures 1-8) features a complex rhythmic pattern with eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. The second system (measures 9-16) continues the pattern with some variations in dynamics and articulation. The third system (measures 17-24) shows further rhythmic development. The fourth system (measures 25-32) concludes the piece with a final rhythmic flourish. The score includes various musical notations such as stems, beams, flags, and rests, along with dynamic markings like accents and slurs. The bass drum parts (4 BD and 5 BD) are indicated by rhythmic symbols and stems.

Singles OS

Arr. H. Morgan

1

Musical notation for measures 1-4. The score includes parts for SN, TN, BD 4, BD 5, and Cym. The notation features sixteenth-note patterns with '6' above them, and rhythmic patterns with 'R L R L R L R L' and 'etc.' labels. The Cym part shows a simple melodic line.

4

Musical notation for measures 5-8. The score includes parts for SN, TN, BD 4, BD 5, and Cym. The notation continues with sixteenth-note patterns and rhythmic patterns. The Cym part continues with its melodic line.

7

Musical notation for measures 9-12. The score includes parts for SN, TN, BD 4, BD 5, and Cym. The notation concludes with a final measure in each part, including a '(1 snare)' instruction for the SN part. The Cym part ends with a final melodic phrase.

Santa Clara

Arr. H. Morgan

SN $\frac{12}{8}$ (1 snare - each time)

TN

4 BD

5 BD

This system contains the first four staves of the musical score. The top staff is for Snare Drum (SN) in 12/8 time, with a tempo marking of 12/8 and a note '(1 snare - each time)'. The second staff is for Tom Tom (TN). The third and fourth staves are for Bass Drums (4 BD and 5 BD). The notation features a consistent rhythmic pattern of eighth notes with accents throughout the system.

SN (1 snare - each time)

TN

4 BD

5 BD

This system contains the next four staves of the musical score. The notation continues the rhythmic pattern from the first system, with accents on the eighth notes. The time signature remains 12/8.

SN (1 snare - each time)

TN

4 BD

5 BD

This system contains the third set of four staves. The rhythmic pattern and accents are maintained. The time signature remains 12/8.

SN (1 snare - each time)

TN

4 BD

5 BD

This system contains the final set of four staves on the page. The rhythmic pattern and accents are maintained. The time signature remains 12/8.

Flams

The score is divided into two systems. The first system begins with a 'Solo...' section in 4/4 time, followed by an 'All...' section that changes to 7/4 time. Each part (Snareline, Tenorline, Bassline) is accompanied by rhythmic notation and stickings (R for right hand, L for left hand). The second system starts at measure 6 and continues in 4/4 time.

Rudiments to insert on flams:

- Cheeses
- Flam Drags
- Flam Fives
- Swiss Triplets (modifies sticking)
- Same-hand Flam Drags

Rudiments to insert on 4-note groups:

- Flam Taps
- Inverted Flam Taps
- Invert Cheeses
- Flam Paradiddles (modifies sticking)
- Flammed Mills (modifies sticking)
- Flam Sevens
- Pataflafla
- Chutta-Chuts

Flam Exercises

Shopping Spree

♩ = 130+

CHECK **Flam Drags**

R I r L r I etc..

Cheese

Flam Five

Chuta-cha-tas

Cheese Chuta-cha-tas

Inverts

R I L r R I L r R I L r

Cheese Inverts

RR I LL r RR I LL r RR I LL r

Swiss Flam Drag - Right Side

R r I R r I R r I R r I R rr I R rr I R rr I R rr I

Swiss Flam Drag - Left Side

L I r L I r L I r L I r L II r L II r L II r L II r

R I r L r I etc..

Snare

Downfall of Paris

Bruce and Emmett

The snare drum score for "Downfall of Paris" consists of ten staves of music in 2/4 time. The notation includes various rhythmic patterns and dynamic markings. The first staff begins with a 7-measure phrase, followed by a 2-measure rest. The second staff continues with a 7-measure phrase and a 2-measure rest. The third staff features a 7-measure phrase and a 2-measure rest. The fourth staff has a 15-measure phrase and a 15-measure rest. The fifth staff contains a 7-measure phrase and a 2-measure rest. The sixth staff starts with a 2-measure rest, followed by a 7-measure phrase and a 2-measure rest. The seventh staff begins with a 7-measure phrase and a 2-measure rest. The eighth staff has a 7-measure phrase and a 2-measure rest. The ninth staff contains a 7-measure phrase and a 2-measure rest. The tenth staff concludes with a 7-measure phrase and a 2-measure rest. The score is written in a standard musical notation style with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#).

The Connecticut Halftime

The musical score is written in bass clef with a 2/4 time signature. It consists of 12 staves of music. The notation includes various rhythmic patterns, primarily eighth and sixteenth notes, with many notes marked with an accent (>). The score is divided into sections by repeat signs and includes several specific rhythmic patterns labeled as follows:

- Staff 1: S.P.
- Staff 2: S.P., L.25, L.25, S.P., 25, 25
- Staff 3: 25, S.P., 25, 15, 15, S.P., 25, 15
- Staff 4: 15, S.P., 25, 7, Drap Para.No.2, D.P.No.2, S.P.
- Staff 5: 25, 7, 7, 7, 3, 3
- Staff 6: 7, 3, 3, 15, 15, 3, 3
- Staff 7: D.P.No.2, 3, 3
- Staff 8: Single Ratamacue, S.R., 3, 3
- Staff 9: S.R., 3, 3, Triple Rata., 3
- Staff 10: Triple Rata., 3, Single Rata., 3, 3, 3, 3
- Staff 11: 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3
- Staff 12: 3, 3, 3, 3, 1, 3, 3, 2, 3, 3

As Notated and Played by J. Burns Moore

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All rudiments should be practiced: open (slow) to close (fast) to open (slow) and/or at an even moderate march tempo.

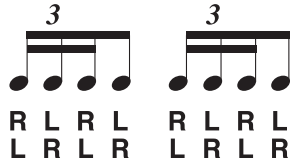
I. ROLL RUDIMENTS

A. Single Stroke Roll Rudiments

1. Single Stroke Roll *



2. Single Stroke Four



3. Single Stroke Seven



B. Multiple Bounce Roll Rudiments

4. Multiple Bounce Roll



5. Triple Stroke Roll



C. Double Stroke Open Roll Rudiments

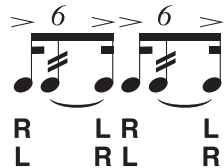
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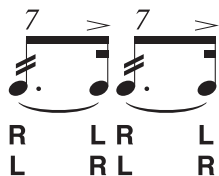
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8. Six Stroke Roll

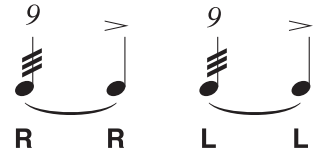


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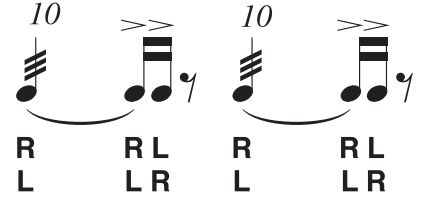


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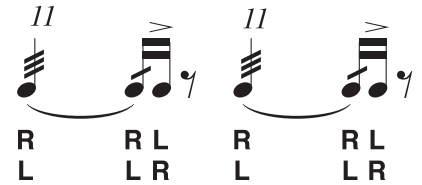
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11. Ten Stroke Roll *



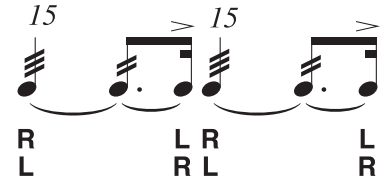
12. Eleven Stroke Roll *



13. Thirteen Stroke Roll *



14. Fifteen Stroke Roll *



15. Seventeen Stroke Roll



II. DIDDLE RUDIMENTS

16. Single Paradiddle *



17. Double Paradiddle *



18. Triple Paradiddle



19. Single Paradiddle-diddle



III. FLAM RUDIMENTS

20. Flam *



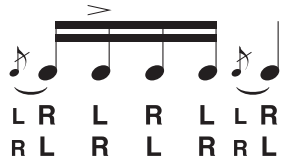
21. Flam Accent *



22. Flam Tap *



23. Flamacue *



24. Flam Paradiddle *



25. Single Flammed Mill



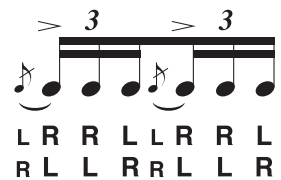
26. Flam Paradiddle-diddle *



27. Pataflafla



28. Swiss Army Triplet



29. Inverted Flam Tap



30. Flam Drag



IV. DRAG RUDIMENTS

31. Drag *



32. Single Drag Tap *



33. Double Drag Tap *



34. Lesson 25 *



35. Single Dragadiddle



36. Drag Paradiddle #1 *



37. Drag Paradiddle #2 *



38. Single Ratamacue *



39. Double Ratamacue *



40. Triple Ratamacue *



Introducing Hybrid Rudiments

Sheet #1

"Hertas" (pronounced 'her-ta', also 'her-sha' or 'her-sa')

12/8 | 4/4

R L R L R L R L R L R L R L | R L R L R L R L R L R L R L

L R L R L R L R L R L R L R | L R L R L R L R L R L R L R

"Grandmas" (A paradiddle variant with accents on the second and fifth notes)

6/8 | 2/4

R L R R L R L R R L | R L R R L R L R R L

L R L L R L R L L R | L R L L R L R L L R

"Choo-Choo" (When played correctly, it sounds like the 'chugging' of a train engine, hence the name.)

2/4

R L L R R L R R L L | R L L R R L R R L L

L R R L L R R L L R | L R R L L R R L L R

"Alternated PataFlaFla" (Pataflafla's, alternated)

2/4

L R L R R L R L R L L R | L R L R R L R L R L L R

L R L R R L R L R L L R | L R L R R L R L R L L R

"Cheese" (also known as "Cheeselet" or "Cheese Flam Accent")

12/8 | 4/4

L rr L R R || R L L rr L R R || R L | L rr L R R || R L L rr L R R || R L

L rr L R R || R L L rr L R R || R L | L rr L R R || R L L rr L R R || R L

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Sheet #3

"Cupcakes" (A Flamacue Drag with accented flams on the first and second notes)

$\text{L R}^{\text{R}} \text{L rr L}^{\text{L}} \text{R}$
 $\text{R L}^{\text{L}} \text{R R R}^{\text{R}} \text{L}$
 $\text{L R}^{\text{R}} \text{L rr L}^{\text{L}} \text{R}$
 $\text{R L}^{\text{L}} \text{R R R}^{\text{R}} \text{L}$

"Opies" (A five note pattern, sticked RLLRL or LRRLR, with a flam on the fifth note of each)

$\text{R L L R}^{\text{R}} \text{L}$
 $\text{L R R L}^{\text{L}} \text{R}$
 $\text{R L L R}^{\text{R}} \text{L}$
 $\text{L R R L}^{\text{L}} \text{R}$

"Parabuzzle" (A Paradiddle with the fourth note buzzed or crushed)

R L R R L R L L
 R L R R L R L L

"Kramer" (A Pataflafla with "cheese" on the fourth note)

$\text{L R L R}^{\text{R}} \text{L R R}$
 $\text{L R L R}^{\text{R}} \text{L R R}$

"Flyz" (Two Swiss Army Triplets, with the second note of each buzzed/crushed, followed by a Flam Tap)

$\text{L R R L}^{\text{L}} \text{R}$
 $\text{R L L R}^{\text{R}}$
 $\text{R L L R}^{\text{R}} \text{L}$
 $\text{L R R L}^{\text{L}}$

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Sheet #4

"Didda-let" (A single accented stroke followed by a double stroke; a common variation reverses the single and double strokes)

R L L R L L R L L R L L R L L
L R R L R R L R R L R R

R L L R L L R L L R L L
L R R L R R L R R L R R

"Dragateenth" (A group of four 16th notes played as alternating strokes with the first note diddled/double stroke/drag)

rr ll rr ll rr ll rr ll
ll ll ll ll ll ll ll ll ll ll ll ll ll ll ll ll

"Side Flamadiddle" (A four note grouping sticked RLLL or LRRR with a flam on the first note of each)

L R L L R L R R R R L R L L L R L R R R R

"Four Note Swiss Army Triplet" (A Swiss Army Triplet with an extra note on the same hand after the flam)

L R R R L L L R R R R L L R R R R L L
R L L L R R L L L R R L L L R R L L R

L R R R L L L R R R R L L R R R R L L
R L L L R R L L L R R L L L R R L L R

"Cheese-Ka" (A Four Note Swiss Army Triplet with an accent on the fourth note; also called "Aaron Swiss")

L R R R L L L R R R R L L R R R R L L
R L L L R R L L L R R L L L R R L L R

L R R R L L L R R R R L L R R R R L L
R L L L R R L L L R R L L L R R L L R

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"Gallops" (A Didda-let with a flam on the second note; when properly played this produces a "galloping" sound)

4/4

R R L L R R L L R R L L R R L L R R L L

L L R R L L R R L L R R L L R R L L R R

"Puguda" (A Didda-let followed by an accented note)

2/4

R L L R R L L R R L L R R L L R R L L R

L R R L L R R L L R R R L L R R R L

"Shirley Murphy" (A single stroke + double stroke + triple stroke; also called "1-2-3", "Murphs" or "Shirley Murphies")

2/4

R L L R R R L R R L L L R L L R R R L R R L L L

L R R L L L R R L L L R R R L L L R R R L L L

"Pataflaka" (A Cheese-Ka with an extra flam on the fourth note)

2/4

L R R R L R R R L R R R L R R R L R R R L

R L L L L R R L L L R R L L L R R L L L R

"Side Cheeseadiddle" (A Side Flamadiddle with Cheese on the first flam of each)

2/4

L rr L L R R R R L rr L L L R R R R

L rr L L L R R R R L rr L L L R R R R

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Sheet #6

"Flama-Singles" (A group of four single strokes with a flam on the first note)

4/4 2/4
 L R L R L L R L L R L L R L L R L

"Flam-a-Flam" (A group of three single strokes with flams on the first and third notes)

4/4
 L R L L R R L R R L L R L L R R L L R L L R R L

"Flamacue-Diddle" (A Flam Paradiddle combined with a Flamacue by accenting the second note of each)

4/4 2/4
 L R L R R R L R L L L R L R R R L R L L L

"Flama Chuck" (A Pataflafla with an extra flam on the third note)

4/4 2/4
 L R L L R R L L R L L R R L L R L L R R L

"Flaflam Drag" (A Paradiddle with the first note flammed, the second note diddled and an accented flam on the fourth note)

4/4 2/4
 L R II R L R R L rr L R L L R II R L R R L rr L R L

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Sheet #7

"Zigiddy Bops" (An Alternating Single Stroke Three with an accented drag/double stroke on the first note of each)

rr L R || R L rr L R || R L rr L R || R L rr L R || R L

"Parafladdle" (A Paradiddle with an accented flam on the third note; similar to a Choo Choo; also called a Tapafladdle)

R L L R R L R R L L R L L R R L R R L L

"Flama Chucka Diddle" (A Flama Chuck played with Paradiddle sticking)

L R L L R L R R L R R L R L L R L R R L R R L R R L R L

"Fuzz Taps" (A Flam Tap where the primary stroke of the flam is a buzz/crush)

L R R R L L L L R R R L L L L R R R L L L L R R R L L

"Churruckitahs" (A Flamacue-Diddle with Cheese on the first flam; also called Cheeseacue-Diddle, Cheese Flamacue Diddle)

L rr L R R R || R L L L rr L R R R || R L L

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"Eggbeaters" (A triple stroke followed by a double stroke; played as quintuplets or in 5/8; also called "Fyvie Five")

Musical notation for "Eggbeaters" in 2/4 and 5/8 time signatures. The first two measures are in 2/4, each containing a quintuplet of notes. The last two measures are in 5/8, each containing a quintuplet of notes. The notes are marked with 'R' for right and 'L' for left hand.

2/4: R R R L L R R R L L | R R R L L R R R L L

5/8: L L L R R L L L R R | L L L R R L L L R R

"Chinese Fives" (An Eggbeater with the first three notes played as 16th note triplets and the last two played as 16th notes)

Musical notation for "Chinese Fives" in 2/4 time signature. Each of the four measures contains a triplet of notes followed by two individual notes. The notes are marked with 'R' for right and 'L' for left hand.

2/4: R R R L L R R R L L | R R R L L R R R L L

2/4: L L L R R L L L R R | L L L R R L L L R R

"Deviled Eggs" (A triple stroke then two double strokes, with the first note accented; played as septuplets or in 7/8)

Musical notation for "Deviled Eggs" in 2/4 and 7/8 time signatures. The first two measures are in 2/4, each containing a septuplet of notes with an accent on the first note. The last two measures are in 7/8, each containing a septuplet of notes with an accent on the first note. The notes are marked with 'R' for right and 'L' for left hand.

2/4: R R R L L R R L L L R R L L | R R R L L R R L L L R R L L

7/8: R R R L L R R L L L R R L L | R R R L L R R L L L R R L L

"Slevens" (Deviled Eggs with a flam on the first note; played as septuplets or in 7/8; also called "Flam Deviled Eggs")

Musical notation for "Slevens" in 2/4 and 7/8 time signatures. The first two measures are in 2/4, each containing a septuplet of notes with a flam on the first note. The last two measures are in 7/8, each containing a septuplet of notes with a flam on the first note. The notes are marked with 'L' for left and 'R' for right hand.

2/4: L R R R L L R R L L L R R L L | L R R R L L R R L L L R R L L

7/8: L R R R L L R R L L L R R L L | L R R R L L R R L L L R R L L

"Flam Devils" (Slevens with additional flams on the fourth and sixth notes; played as septuplets or in 7/8)

Musical notation for "Flam Devils" in 2/4 and 7/8 time signatures. The first two measures are in 2/4, each containing a septuplet of notes with flams on the first, fourth, and sixth notes. The last two measures are in 7/8, each containing a septuplet of notes with flams on the first, fourth, and sixth notes. The notes are marked with 'L' for left and 'R' for right hand.

2/4: L R R R L L R R L L L R R L L | L R R R L L R R L L L R R L L

7/8: L R R R L L R R L L L R R L L | L R R R L L R R L L L R R L L

CHAPTER 13

SCRAPES

Scrapes are one of the best reasons to play quads. Also commonly referred to as “sweeps,” scrapes are defined as diddles that are played on two different drums, the first beat of the diddle on any one drum, and the second beat on a different drum. Scrapes are commonly used for three reasons: musicality, logistics, and glamour. Musically, scrapes can offer new effects through new drum-to-drum combinations; logistically, they can help to move hands “out of the way,” to make certain drum-to-drum combinations flow better. As far as glamour is concerned, scrapes just plain look cool!

The hand motions used when scraping diddles are no different than they are when playing diddles on one drum. All diddles should be played as two consecutive controlled legato strokes on a hand, using a combination of wrist, fingers, and at fast tempos, forearms.

There are really only two types of scrapes: those scraping outward, away from the center of the body, and those scraping inward, towards the center of the body. There are no special considerations needed for playing outward scrapes. When playing INWARD scrapes, however, it’s helpful to turn your hands up a little so that the mallet downstrokes toward the first drum at an angle. The faster the tempo/ lower the mallet height, the shallower the angle of the initial downstroke. Although the hands themselves are turned up a little, the hand motion doesn’t change. DO NOT play inward scrapes with a “French grip;” the fulcrum must still be located where the player can control the mallet’s side-to-side motion and his/her fingers can control both beats of each diddle. This is shown on the following page:



NOTE: -The slight turning up of the hands should happen naturally as one tries to play inward scrapes with the hands flat.

When playing scrapes, it is imperative not to just “go with the flow” of the forearm’s motions; one must know exactly where each beat of each scrape is contacting the drums. For ease of movement and conservation of motion, be sure to play in the “scrape playing areas” (as shown in chapter 5 on set positions/playing areas). It is also sometimes helpful to think about the three gaps between the drums rather than the four drums themselves. Proper scrape technique can be summed up as this: the hands turn from the wrist and incorporate the use of fingers in order to play excellent quality diddles, while the forearms move the hands where they need to go around the drums. This is the key to playing scrapes with great sound quality.

Now that the technique has been broken down, it’s time to get behind the drums and play some quality scrapes. Remember to periodically review the “12 GOLDEN QUAD RULES” on page 22.

1. Right hand out



2. Left hand out



3. Right hand in



4. Left hand in



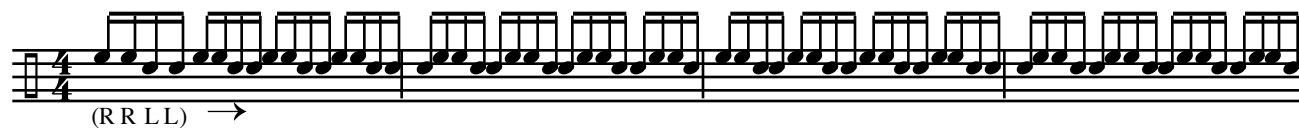
5. Right hand in and out



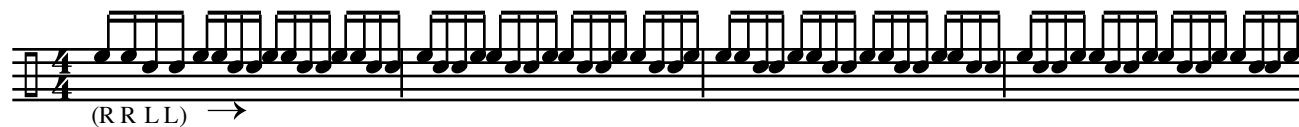
6. Left hand in and out



7. Both hands out



8. Both hands in



NOTE: The forthcoming notes notated with x's are cross-overs. To better understand these, refer to Chapter 7 on cross-overs.

9. Figure eights out

(R R LL) →

10. Full figure eights out

(R R LL) →

11. Figure eights in

(R R LL) →

12. Full figure eights in

(R R LL) →

Keyboard Mallet Technique

The Grip & Basic Stroke

by Kirk Gay

Keyboard technique can vary quite a bit. Depending on your venue and style it can be very different! Here we will discuss the general basics of two-mallet keyboard grip.

For the two-mallet grip, hold the mallets as you would hold drumsticks in match grip. It is important to keep your palms facing down. Don't turn your hands so that your thumb is on top. This might make things easier initially; however, down the road it will affect your overall technique and sound. Hold the mallet lightly. Someone should be able to pull the mallet out of your hand without much trouble. You don't want to have the super-powered Death Grip on the mallet! The tension in your hand will hinder your speed and, again, your sound. Also, keep all your fingers around the mallet. Don't point your index finger out and keep your pinkie around the mallet. You are playing keyboards and not drinking afternoon tea!

Because most keyboard mallets are top heavy and have thin shafts, your technique will be different than playing on a snare with drumsticks. Your use of fingers and wrists is much different. Using your wrists is very important because that is where a lot of your motion will come from. Although the mallet will move up and down slightly in your hand, you should not use too much finger movement.

The basic stroke is a combination of using your wrists, fingers and arm. The difficulty is finding the right ratio of each! Your wrist is where most of the stroke comes from. It should be a smooth up and down motion. Remember to keep your wrists low to the keyboard. They should not be more than a few inches above the keys.

As stated earlier, your fingers are important; but again, you should not rely on them for the entire motion of your stroke. Using your arm in the stroke is something that I hesitate to say just because I see so many young players using "all arm" in their stroke! Using your arm, though, does factor in to the equation. The motion should be slight and accompany the use of your wrists. When playing outdoors, the use of arm in your stroke can help projection. Let me once again stress, though, that it should not be 99% of your stroke!

Don't forget to move your body when you play. If you are playing a 2 or 3 octave scale passage on a marimba, it is necessary to move to get to all the notes. The perfect playing position is right in front of the notes. That is not always possible, so you want to get as close as you can. Also, I always encourage my students to move with the music. This is another point that I hesitate to say because you need to find a happy medium between standing there stiff as a board and looking like you are dancing in Swan Lake!

To recap, here are a few key points to remember:

- Palms face down
- Don't grip too tightly
- Keep all your fingers around the mallet
- Use your wrists to control the mallet
- Your ratio of stroke from large to small is: wrist, fingers, arm.
- Keep your hands low to the keyboard
- Move to the emotion of the music but don't over do it.

Practice and have fun. That's what it's all about! Your comments and questions are always welcome.

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Holding the Mallets

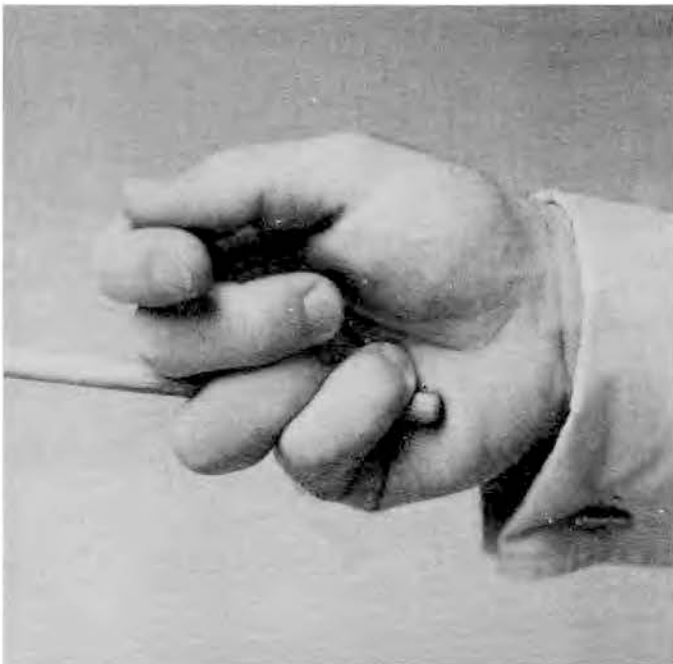
Outside mallets 1 and 4

Start with the arm hanging at the side — wrist and fingers relaxed. Raise the forearm from the elbow until it is parallel with the floor. Turn the wrist so that the surface of the thumb nail is parallel to the ceiling.

Slip the shaft of a mallet between fingers 2 and 3. Rest it on the second joint of the third finger. Now curl fingers 3 and 4 around the shaft until the tips of the fingers just touch the section of palm near the base of the fingers. Adjust the length of the mallet so that only $\frac{1}{8}$ th of an inch protrudes beyond the third section of the fourth finger. The shaft of the mallet should touch the second finger in its first section, closer to the second joint than the first.

Check the following points before proceeding:

1. Fingers should be relaxed — mallet **hangs** in position.
2. Weight of mallet heads should pull up slightly on ends of fingers 3 and 4 — more so on 4.
3. Shaft should lie on top of second joint of third finger and beneath first section of second finger, close to, but not beneath second joint.
4. Edge of hand should face floor.
5. Compare with figure 3.



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Inside mallets 2 and 3

Place the end of the mallet handle lightly into the palm flesh 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches beneath the base of the thumb. Set the shaft down on the side of the third joint of the first finger. The weight of the mallet will be distributed like a hanging lever: the end of the handle will pull up on the flesh beneath the thumb, and the shaft will push down on the first finger. The mallet should be **balanced** in position.

Check the following points before proceeding:

1. Fingers and wrist should be relaxed.
2. Position of fingers holding the outside mallet should not have changed (if so, vom anfang!).
3. Inside mallet should **hang** between flesh in base of thumb and third joint of first finger.
4. Compare position with figure 4.

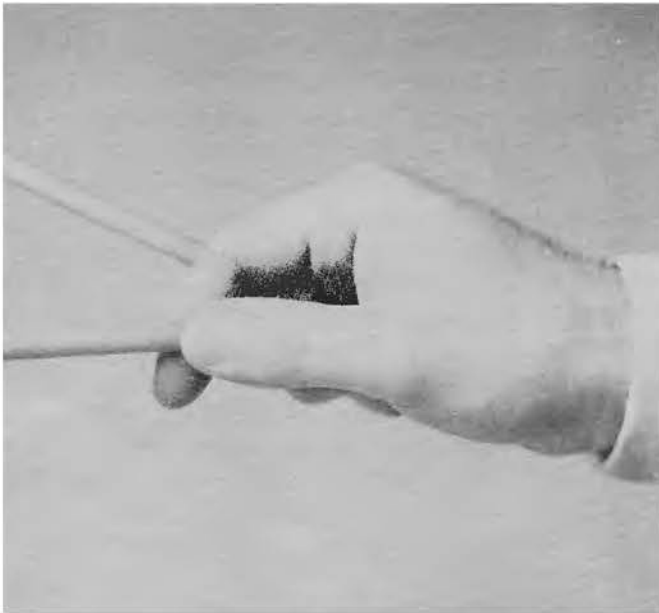
Drop thumb onto handle. Curl joints of second finger so that third section of second finger touches end of shaft. Check over-all position with figures 5, 6, & 7.



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Check the following points:

1. Hand and fingers should look graceful, curved, and natural.
2. Mallets should **hang** in hand with both hand and fingers relaxed: expend no more energy than is necessary to keep mallets from falling out of hand.
3. Inside mallet should be $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 inch longer than the outside. (Of course, this assumes that the student was clever enough to start this section with a matched set of mallets.)
4. Mallet heads should be at the same playing height (distance from floor).
5. If mallet heads are not at the same height, do one of the following:
 - (a) Move end of inside mallet **up**, closer to base (first joint) of thumb.
 - (b) Curl finger 2 farther into the palm in order to make room for the first finger to be pulled down by the weight of the mallet.
 - (c) Pull **down** slightly with fingers 3 and 4 to pull outside mallet head **up**.
6. There should be a natural, open curve between thumb and first finger.

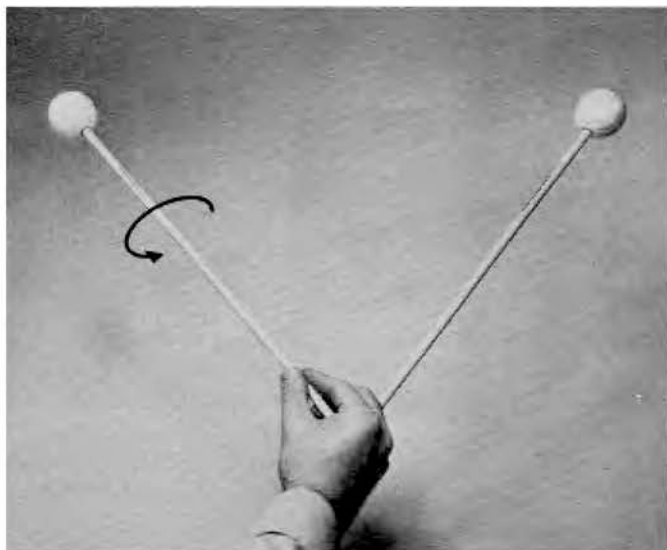
It is highly recommended that in the initial stages of study, the student refer to this hand position description whenever there is the **slightest** bit of tension or awkwardness in holding the mallets. Remember, holding the mallets **correctly** is almost effortless.

Interval Changes

Problems related to interval changes can plague the first few years of marimba study. To prevent these physical hindrances, it is essential that from the inception of holding the mallets, the student learn to move them correctly. Since the subject is so complicated—and therefore potentially confusing without on-the-spot demonstration and correction—the following is offered only as a guideline of the most critical aspects of efficient interval control.

General considerations

1. Keep the hand and fingers **relaxed** up to intervals of a tenth. Security of movement is a product of coordination, not strength.
2. Tension will negate the superior interval changing capacity of this grip. If the student wants to play with tension, it is recommended that he switch to traditional grip.
3. Hand and fingers should **look** graceful and curved up to intervals of a tenth. A contorted or angular looking hand position is a sure sign of tension. Remember that tension is both a **symptom** of something wrong and a **cause** for further things to go wrong. Get rid of it **NOW** before the muscles can familiarize themselves with the feeling.
4. The muscles controlling the outside mallet are slower to develop than those controlling the inside. One should not be concerned if several months go by with comparatively little of the outside mallet interval changing capacity being used.

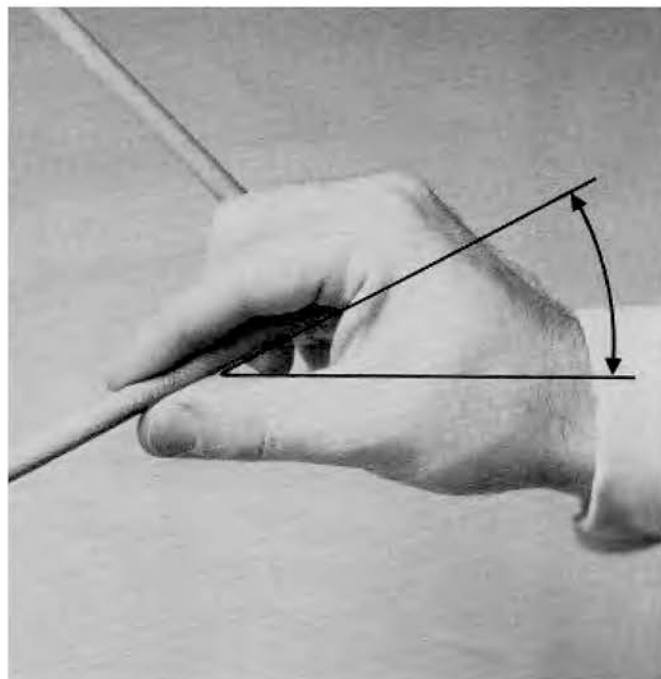


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Specific considerations

While bearing in mind the above general considerations, the student should memorize the content of the following particulars (**memorize**, not familiarize).

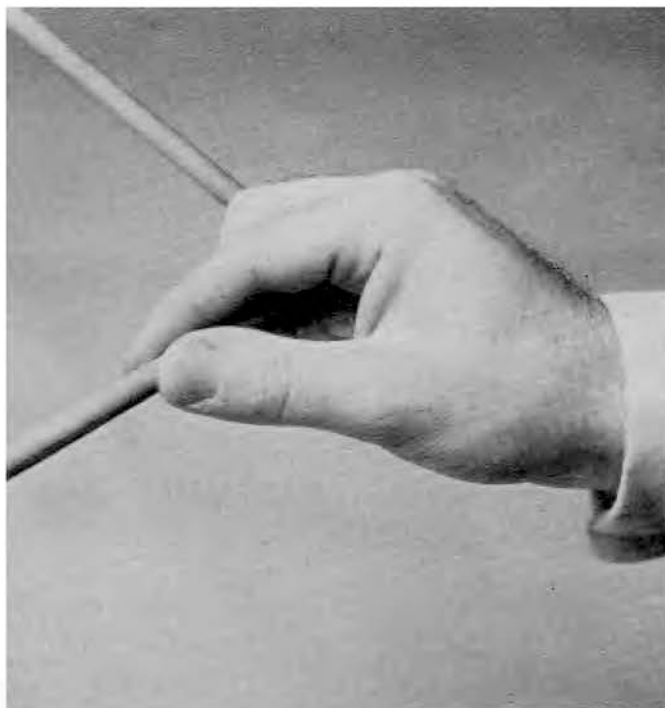
1. The inside mallet will spin slightly between the thumb and the first finger as the interval changes. When the interval is **opening**, the mallet in the right hand will spin counterclockwise; the mallet in the left hand will spin clockwise. The direction of spin will be opposite when the interval is **closing**. See figure 8.
2. The **first finger straightens** as it flips the inside mallet up and out. As the first finger straightens, it moves from its position under the mallet to a position on the side of the mallet. See figure 9.
3. When the mallets are spread to about the position of a third, the hand configuration will be **identical** to the basic “rest” position described in the section on holding the mallets. The inside mallet is **centered** under the thumb and is in a straight line with the length of the thumb. As the interval opens and the mallet spins between the first finger and thumb, the spinning motion will roll the mallet from its central position under the thumb to a position on the side of the thumb. There is now an acute angle formed by the thumb and shaft. See figure 9.



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4. If the large interval position (partially described in item 3) is to be maintained for an extended period—perhaps a passage in one-handed octaves—then the position of the thumb may be “corrected” by centralizing the pad of the thumb over the shaft. However, the shaft will not form a straight line with the length of the thumb as it did in the position of a third. The thumb merely changes its point of contact with the shaft from the side of the thumb to the pad. This realignment of the thumb is usually unnecessary and should be undertaken only when there are extended large interval passages or when extra support is needed for Neanderthal strokes. See figure 10.

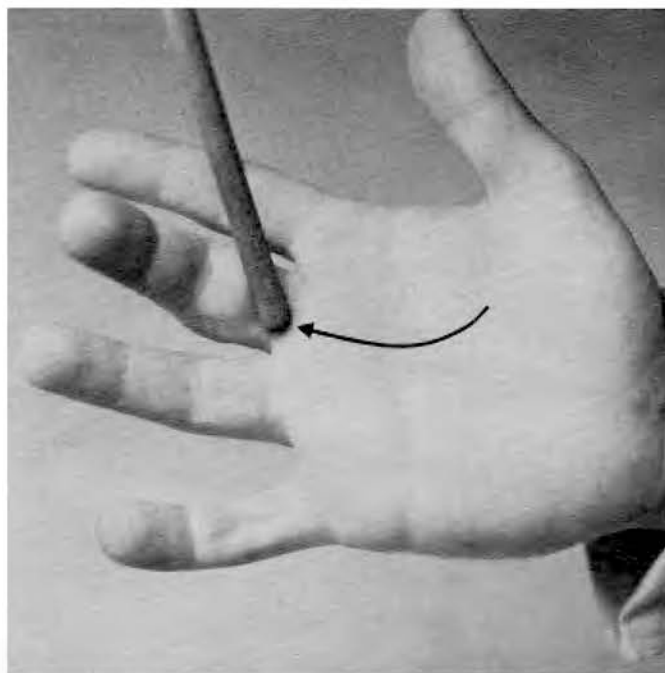
5. The first finger and thumb remain in juxtaposition. The first finger should not curl under the mallet during large intervals. The thumb and first finger work **together**. If the thumb is very long in relationship to the first finger, the student may have to bend the second joint of the thumb to keep it opposite the first finger on large intervals.



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6. As the interval opens and closes, the end of the inside mallet will inscribe an arc in the palm of the hand. See figure 11. This path that the end of the mallet travels is a slightly curved line extending from its resting place beneath the base of the thumb (thirds), to the first joint of the second finger (very large intervals).

7. If there is any tendency for the thumb and first finger to change their point of contact on the length of the shaft, the mallet is being held at an incorrect length. If the end of the shaft catches or drags on the flesh of the palm when interval changes are being made, the mallet is being held **too short**. In this case the student should return to a hanging rest position (section VI) and move the end of the inside mallet **up**, closer to the base of the thumb to lengthen the grip on the shaft. If the student feels that the end of the shaft is not obtaining support from contact with the palm, the mallet is being held **too long**. In this case the student should return to a hanging rest position and move the end of the mallet **down**, away from the base of the thumb to shorten the grip on the shaft.



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8. The second finger helps to open and close the interval and is the major means of supporting the end of the shaft in the palm. Points **a** through **d** refer to the operation of the second finger.

(a) The second finger **never** uncurls. Joints 2 and 3 remain bent. The second joint of the second finger strays very little from a 90 degree bend. The third joint of the second finger will vary from about 110 degrees (thirds) to 90 degrees (large intervals). The only joint of the second finger which ever straightens is the **first** joint.

(b) The second finger pushes and pulls the end of the shaft through the arc described in item 6. Most of the pushing and pulling power of the second finger comes from the first joint; that is, the connection point of the finger to hand. As the interval grows larger and the end of the shaft is pulled toward the base of the second finger, the **first** section of the second finger approaches a straight line with the back of the hand. See figure 12.

(c) Since the second finger is the major means of supporting the end of the mallet in the hand, it is kept in firm contact with the last inch of shaft. The second finger applies more pressure on large intervals and when extra support is needed. The pressure is released when the interval is changed.

(d) The second finger is snapped back into its position under the shaft to help close the interval.

9. Except for intervals **larger** than a tenth, the thumb is never placed between the shafts. See figure 13. The thumb should rest on top of the shaft for small intervals and roll off to the side for large intervals — except as noted in item 4.

10. The **outside** mallet is moved principally with fingers 3 and 4, although the first section of the second finger **follows** along and remains in light contact.

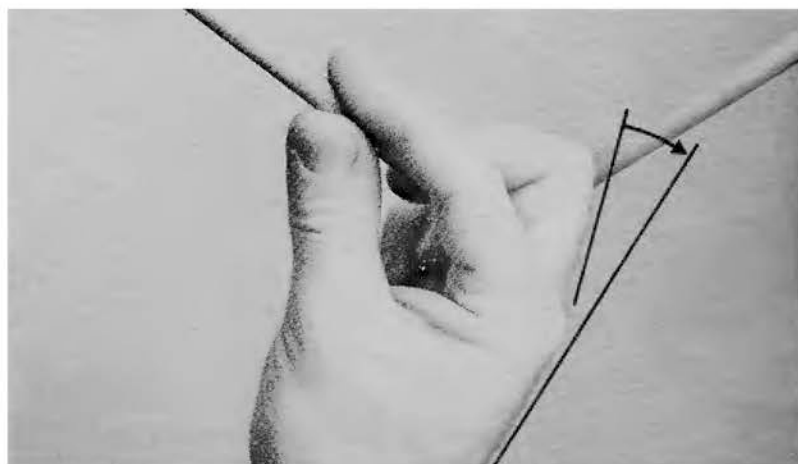
11. The motion used by fingers 3 and 4 in opening the interval is similar to that of the second finger. The second and third joints bend progressively as the interval opens. Simultaneously the angle formed by the first sections of fingers 3 and 4 and the back of the hand approaches a straight line. See figure 14.

12. The muscles which control the outside mallet may be strengthened with the following exercise:

(a) Attempt to scratch an imaginary itch in the first joint of fingers 3 and 4 with the tips of fingers 3 and 4. See figure 15.

(b) Repeat until it doesn't itch anymore.

13. Study the large interval position sequence shown in figures 16, 17, & 18.



12



13



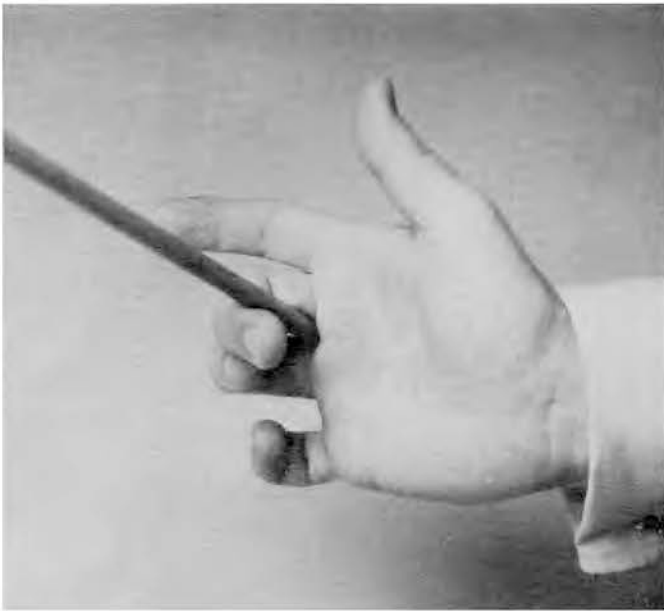
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Stroke Height

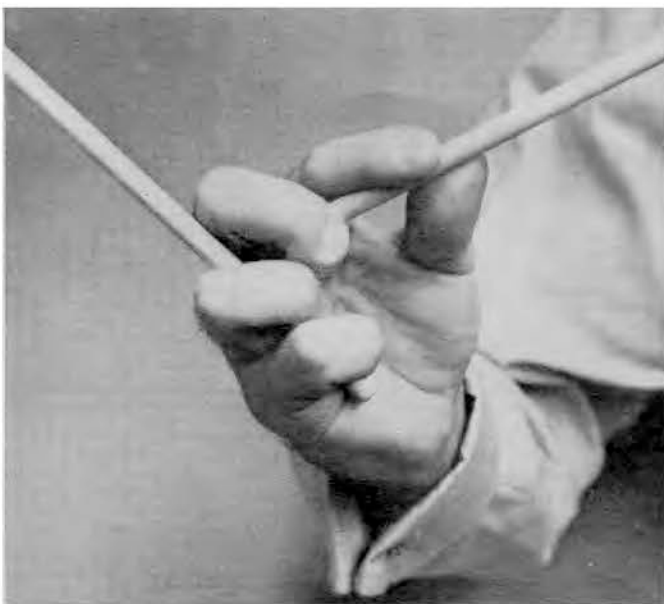
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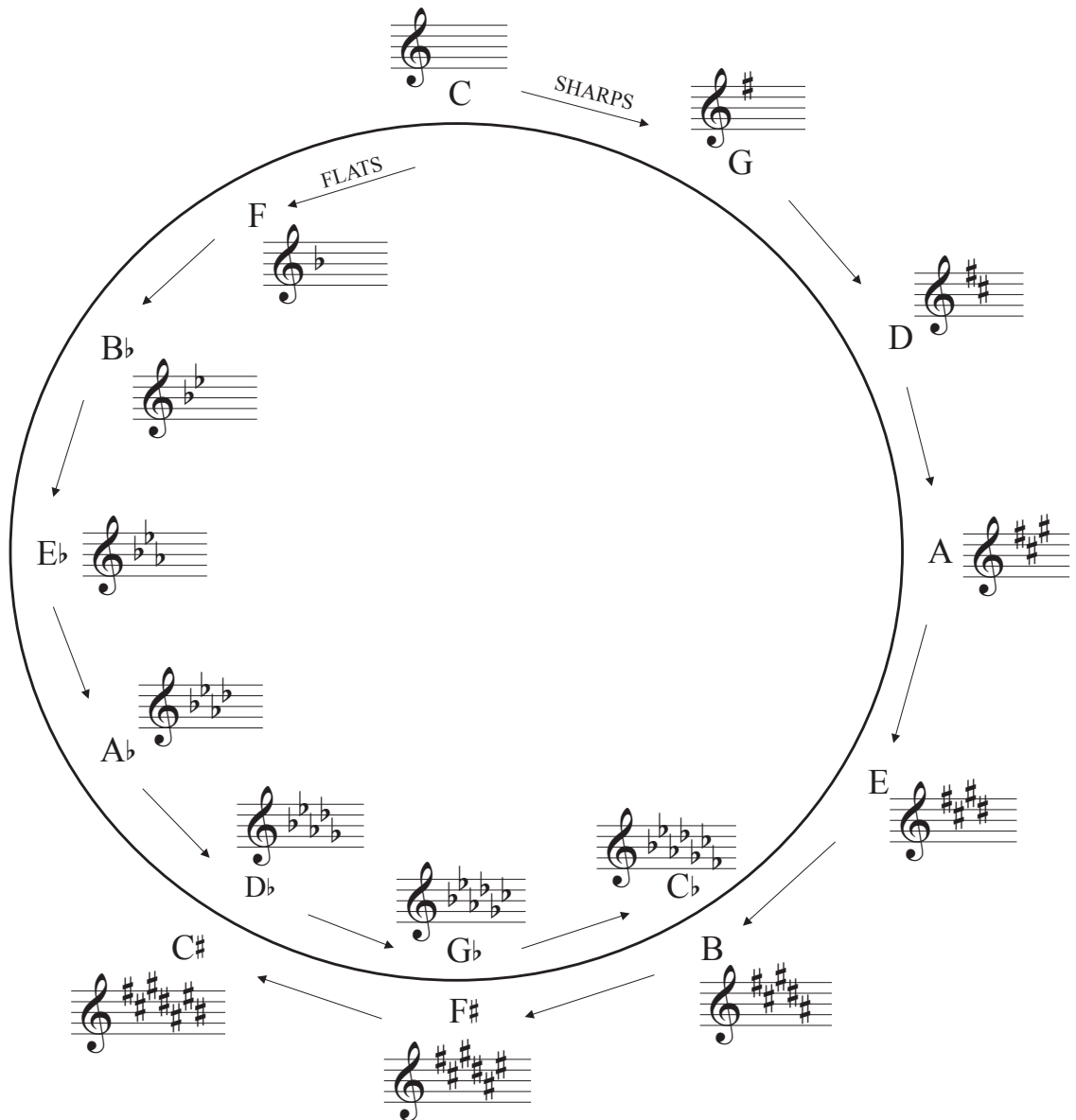


One of the simplest but rarely articulated truths of playing percussion instruments is that soft notes are easier to play with a short stroke than with a long stroke, and that loud notes are easier to play with a long stroke than with a short stroke. If this fact is not obvious, the student should try to play fortissimo first with a one-inch stroke and then with an eight-inch stroke; pianissimo first with an eight-inch stroke and then with a one-inch stroke. In fact, there is a “correct” starting height for every dynamic level. Facile players are able to produce greater volume from a given height than inept players. Hard, dense mallets can produce greater volume from a given height than soft, light mallets.

Although the general rule is easy to understand — louder = higher and softer = lower — it is difficult to refine. What if the starting height of a mezzo-forte stroke with a medium mallet feels “OK” anywhere from three inches to six inches? One should choose the **lowest** stroke height that preserves a natural, smooth acceleration of the mallet heads. If the starting point is too **low**, the stroke will feel pinched and tense. If the stroke starts too **high**, it will feel cushioned and restrained.

Why choose the **lowest** comfortable height? It is easier for a marimbist to hit a “bull’s eye” at three inches than at four inches. This one-inch difference does not make playing **much** easier, but it may keep a few of the thousands of bulls’ eyes necessary in a performance from sounding like some other portion of a bull’s anatomy.

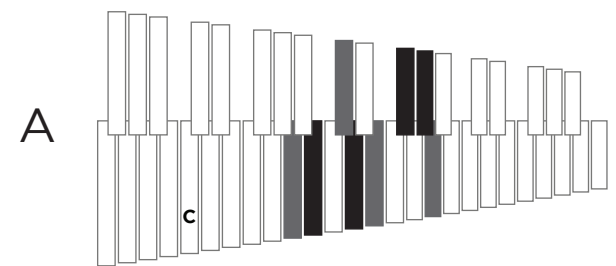
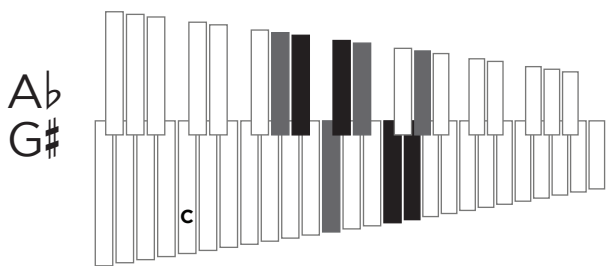
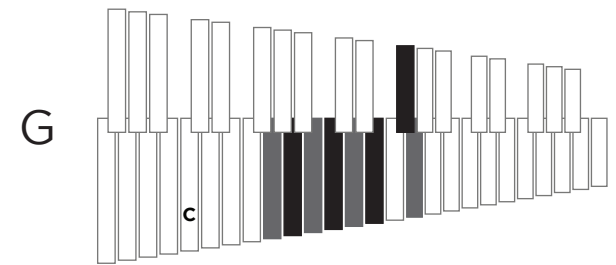
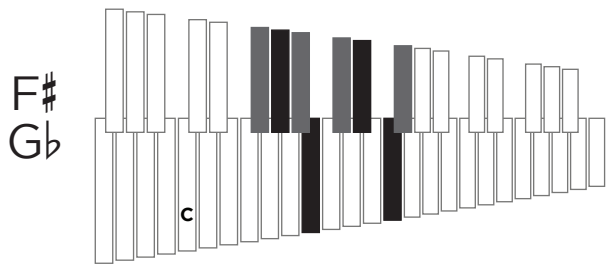
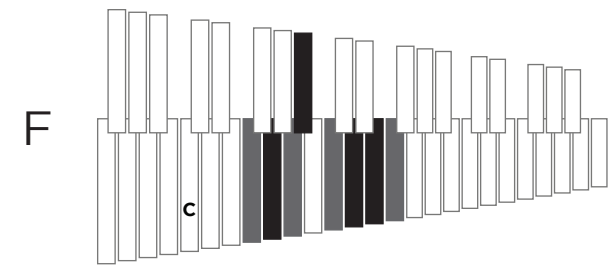
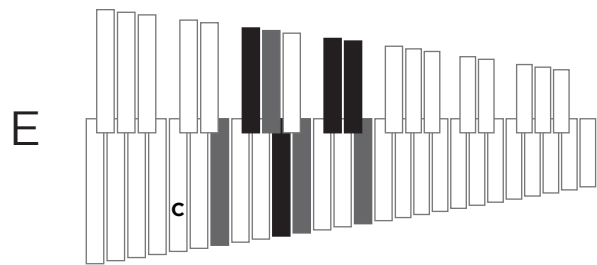
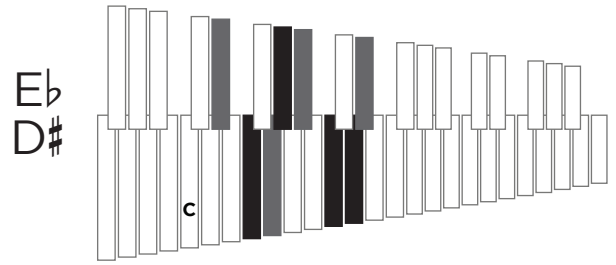
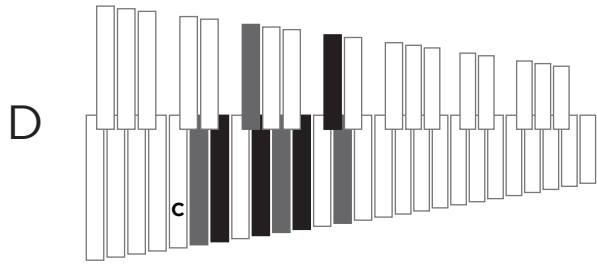
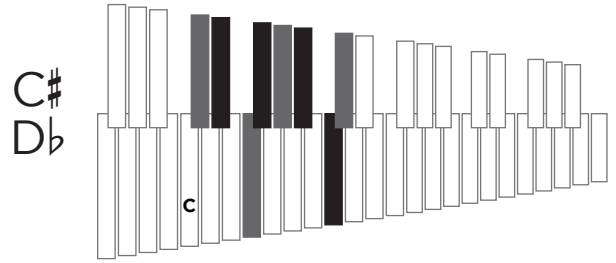
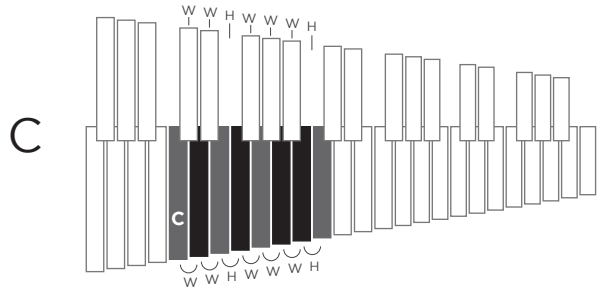
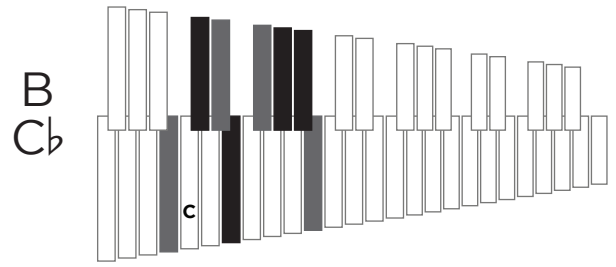
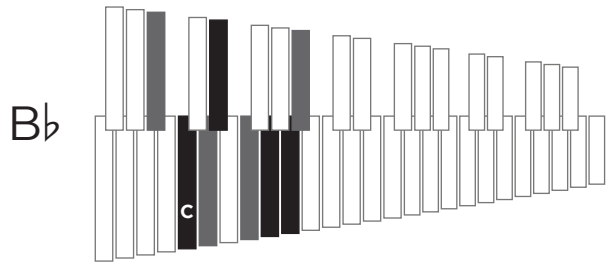
The Circle of Fifths -



The **Circle of Fifths** diagram shows the clockwise arrangement of major keys in an order of ascending fifths for sharp key signatures. With each added sharp the key advances five letter names and the tonic moves up a perfect fifth.

Flat keys are presented in an order of descending fifths. With each added flat the key moves back five letter names and the tonic moves down a perfect fifth.

● Scale ● Arpeggio



Major Scales

This image displays twelve musical staves, each representing a major scale. The scales are labeled on the left as Bb, B, C, C#, D, Eb, E, F, F#, G, Ab, and A. Each staff begins with a treble clef, a common time signature (C), and a key signature. The scales are written in a stepwise ascending and descending pattern, with a final whole note at the end of each line. The scales are: Bb (two flats), B (two sharps), C (no sharps or flats), C# (three sharps), D (two sharps), Eb (three flats), E (three sharps), F (one flat), F# (four sharps), G (one sharp), Ab (four flats), and A (three sharps).

Major Scales

This musical score displays twelve major scales in bass clef, each in common time (C). The scales are arranged vertically and labeled on the left as Bb, B, C, C#, D, Eb, E, F, F#, G, Ab, and A. Each scale begins with a '1' below the staff, indicating the starting note. The scales are written in a stepwise ascending and descending pattern, with the final note of each scale being a whole note. The key signatures are: Bb (two flats), B (three sharps), C (no sharps or flats), C# (one sharp), D (two sharps), Eb (three flats), E (four sharps), F (one flat), F# (two sharps), G (one sharp), Ab (four flats), and A (three sharps).

Natural Minor Scales

This image displays 12 musical staves, each representing a natural minor scale. The scales are labeled on the left as Bb, B, C, C#, D, Eb, E, F, F#, G, Ab, and A. Each staff begins with a treble clef, a common time signature (C), and a key signature with one flat or one sharp. The scales are written in a descending sequence of notes, with a final whole note at the end of each line. The notes are as follows:

- Bb: Bb, Ab, Gb, F, E, D, C, Bb
- B: B, A, G, F, E, D, C, B
- C: C, B, Bb, Ab, G, F, E, C
- C#: C#, B, Bb, Ab, G, F, E, C#
- D: D, C, B, Bb, Ab, G, F, D
- Eb: Eb, D, C, B, Bb, Ab, G, Eb
- E: E, D, C, B, Bb, Ab, G, E
- F: F, E, D, C, B, Bb, Ab, F
- F#: F#, E, D, C, B, Bb, Ab, F#
- G: G, F, E, D, C, B, Bb, G
- Ab: Ab, G, F, E, D, C, Bb, Ab
- A: A, G, F, E, D, C, B, A

Harmonic Minor Scales

This image displays a musical score for the Harmonic Minor Scales in twelve different keys. Each key is represented by a separate staff, with the key signature indicated by a flat (b) or sharp (#) symbol at the beginning of the staff. The scales are written in a single melodic line on a treble clef staff, starting on the first line (middle C) and ending on the first space (G) of the next octave. The time signature is common time (C). The scales are: Bb, B, C, C#, D, Eb, E, F, F#, G, Ab, and A. Each scale consists of eight measures of music, with the first measure being the ascending scale and the remaining seven measures being the descending scale. The notes are written as quarter notes, and the accidentals (sharps and flats) are placed above or below the notes as appropriate for the key signature.

Bb

B

C

C#

D

Eb

E

F

F#

G

Ab

A

Melodic Minor Scales

This musical score displays the melodic minor scales for twelve different keys, arranged vertically from Bb at the top to A at the bottom. Each scale is written on a single staff in treble clef with a common time signature (C). The scales are: Bb, B, C, C#, D, Eb, E, F, F#, G, Ab, and A. The notation for each scale consists of an ascending line of notes followed by a descending line. The descending line includes natural accidentals for the 6th and 7th degrees. The key signatures are indicated by flats (Bb, C, Eb, F, Ab) or sharps (B, C#, D, E, F#, G, A).

2 Mallet Scale and Arpeggio Patterns

Play all exercises in all keys

This musical score consists of 14 numbered staves, each representing an exercise. All exercises are in common time (C) and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat).
- **Exercise 1:** A single melodic line with a sequence of eighth notes.
- **Exercise 2:** A single melodic line with a sequence of eighth notes.
- **Exercise 3:** A single melodic line with a sequence of eighth notes.
- **Exercise 4:** A single melodic line featuring triplet eighth notes.
- **Exercise 5:** A single melodic line featuring sixteenth-note runs.
- **Exercise 6:** A single melodic line featuring sixteenth-note runs.
- **Exercise 7:** A single melodic line featuring triplet eighth notes.
- **Exercise 8:** A single melodic line with a sequence of eighth notes.
- **Exercise 9:** A single melodic line featuring triplet eighth notes.
- **Exercise 10:** A single melodic line featuring triplet eighth notes, ending with a repeat sign and the instruction "Continue Chromatically ascending, then descending".
- **Exercise 11:** A single melodic line with a sequence of eighth notes.
- **Exercise 12:** A single melodic line with a sequence of eighth notes.
- **Exercise 13:** A single melodic line with a sequence of eighth notes.
- **Exercise 14:** A single melodic line with a sequence of eighth notes.

4 Mallet Scale and Arpeggio Patterns

Play all exercises in all keys

Note position represents mallet starting position only. Follow sticking patterns underneath. Repeat each pattern at a slow tempo until comfortable, then gradually increase tempo.

1

1	2	3	4	2	1	3	4	3	1	4	2	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	2	1	3	4	3	1	4	2	4	3	2	1
1	2	4	3	2	1	4	3	3	1	2	4	4	3	1	2	1	2	4	3	2	1	4	3	3	1	2	4	4	3	1	2
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3

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4

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4 Mallet Chord Patterns

Play all exercises in all keys

Musical notation for exercise 1, measures 1-8. The exercise is in common time (C). The treble clef part starts with a quarter note G4, followed by eighth notes A4-B4, quarter notes C5-B4, quarter notes A4-G4, quarter notes F4-E4, quarter notes D4-C4, quarter notes B3-A3, quarter notes G3-F3, quarter notes E3-D3, quarter notes C3-B2, quarter notes A2-G2, quarter notes F2-E2, quarter notes D2-C2, quarter notes B1-A1, quarter notes G1-F1, quarter notes E1-D1, quarter notes C1-B0. The bass clef part is mostly rests, with a final quarter note G1.

1

Musical notation for exercise 10, measures 10-19. The exercise is in 3/4 time. The treble clef part starts with a quarter note G4, followed by eighth notes A4-B4, quarter notes C5-B4, quarter notes A4-G4, quarter notes F4-E4, quarter notes D4-C4, quarter notes B3-A3, quarter notes G3-F3, quarter notes E3-D3, quarter notes C3-B2, quarter notes A2-G2, quarter notes F2-E2, quarter notes D2-C2, quarter notes B1-A1, quarter notes G1-F1, quarter notes E1-D1, quarter notes C1-B0. The bass clef part is mostly rests, with a final quarter note G1.

10

Musical notation for exercise 19, measures 19-28. The exercise is in 3/4 time. The treble clef part starts with a quarter note G4, followed by eighth notes A4-B4, quarter notes C5-B4, quarter notes A4-G4, quarter notes F4-E4, quarter notes D4-C4, quarter notes B3-A3, quarter notes G3-F3, quarter notes E3-D3, quarter notes C3-B2, quarter notes A2-G2, quarter notes F2-E2, quarter notes D2-C2, quarter notes B1-A1, quarter notes G1-F1, quarter notes E1-D1, quarter notes C1-B0. The bass clef part is mostly rests, with a final quarter note G1.

19

Musical notation for exercise 29, measures 29-38. The exercise is in common time (C). The treble clef part starts with a quarter note G4, followed by eighth notes A4-B4, quarter notes C5-B4, quarter notes A4-G4, quarter notes F4-E4, quarter notes D4-C4, quarter notes B3-A3, quarter notes G3-F3, quarter notes E3-D3, quarter notes C3-B2, quarter notes A2-G2, quarter notes F2-E2, quarter notes D2-C2, quarter notes B1-A1, quarter notes G1-F1, quarter notes E1-D1, quarter notes C1-B0. The bass clef part is mostly rests, with a final quarter note G1.

29 For these chord patterns, roll through notes or arpeggiate using any of the sticking patterns from the 4 mallet patterns sheet.

Major and Perfect Interval Basics

Intervals which occur between the tonic note of a scale and each degree of that scale may be described as **perfect** (P) or **major** (M).

P1	M2	M3	P4	P5	M6	M7	P8
Perfect Unison	Major 2nd	Major 3rd	Perfect 4th	Perfect 5th	Major 6th	Major 7th	Perfect Octave

unison 1 whole step 2 whole steps 2 1/2 whole steps 3 1/2 whole steps 4 1/2 whole steps 5 1/2 whole steps 6 whole steps

Name each interval. Make sure to indicate if it is major (M) or perfect (P).

Examples

M3 P5 P4 M2 M3 M6

1

— — — — — —

2

— — — — — —

3

— — — — — —

4

— — — — — —

5

— — — — — —

Minor Interval Basics

A **minor** interval is created by *decreasing* a major interval by 1/2 step.

Examples

M3 Major 3rd m3 minor 3rd M3 Major 3rd m3 minor 3rd

Interval	Name	Step Count
m2	minor 2nd	1 half step
M2	Major 2nd	1 whole step
m3	minor 3rd	1-1/2 whole steps
M3	Major 3rd	2 whole steps
m6	minor 6th	4 whole steps
M6	Major 6th	4-1/2 whole steps
m7	minor 7th	5 whole steps
M7	Major 7th	5-1/2 whole steps

Name each interval. Make sure to indicate if it is major (M) or minor (m).

Examples

m3 M6 m6 m3 m7 m2

1

— — — — — —

2

— — — — — —

3

— — — — — —

4

— — — — — —

Augmented Interval Basics

An **augmented** interval is created by *increasing* a perfect interval or a major interval by 1/2 step.

Examples

	M3	aug 3	P5	aug 5
	Major 3rd	augmented 3rd	Perfect 5th	augmented 5th

Name each interval. Make sure to indicate if it is augmented (aug), perfect (P) or Major (M).

1

2

3

4

Diminished Interval Basics

A **diminished** interval is created by decreasing a perfect interval or a minor interval by 1/2 step.

Examples

m3 minor 3rd dim 3 diminished 3rd P5 Perfect 5th dim 5 diminished 5th

dim 2 dim 3 dim 4 dim 5 dim 6 dim 7 dim 8

unison 1 whole step 2 whole steps 3 whole steps 3-1/2 whole steps 4-1/2 whole steps 5-1/2 whole steps

Name each interval. Make sure to indicate if it is diminished (dim), perfect (P) or minor (m).

Examples

dim 5 P4 dim 8 dim 3 m2 dim 6

1

2

3

4

One Handed Patterns for Tenors

Begin each exercise slowly, taking care to strike each drum in the proper playing zone. Once you've mastered each pattern, then speed it up. These exercises will help you gain a fluid motion around the drums. Focus on fluidity and proper technique.

1

R R R R L L L L R R R R L L L L R R R R L L L L

2

R R R R L L L L R R R R L L L L R R R R L L L L

3

R R R R L L L L R R R R L L L L R R R R L L L L

4

R R R R L L L L R R R R L L L L R R R R L L L L

5

R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L

6

R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L

7

R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L

8

R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L

9

R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R
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Spyder

Arr. H. Morgan

SN 1

TN 1

BD 1

CYM 1

(shot 2nd X only)

2nd X only

Hi-Hat

SN 5

TN 5

BD 5

CYM 5

SN 9

TN 9

BD 9

CYM 9

Spyder

Arr. H. Morgan

SN

TN 13

BD 13

CYM 13

Crash Hi-Hat

SN

TN 17

BD 17

CYM 17

Choke Crash

SN 21

TN 21

BD 21

CYM 21

Hi-Hat

D.S. al Fine

Tinfoil

The Bass One

Arr. Ethan Patel

SD

TN

BD

Cym

Hi-Hat

5

SD

TN

BD

Cym

9

SD

TN

BD

Cym

Siz-Suk

Crash

13

SD

TN

BD

Cym

Siz-Suk

Crash

Guava

Cassidy Byars

The musical score for "Guava" is arranged in five systems, each with five staves. The instruments are: SN (Snare Drum), TN (Tom), 5 BD (5-Beat Drum), Cym. (Cymbal), and Hi-Hat. The score is divided into sections A, B, C, D, and E. Section A starts at measure 1. Section B begins at measure 7 and includes vocal lines with lyrics: "[4 Count Vocal]", "R LL RR LL etc.", "V V V V", and "f Szr-Suk (split)". Section C starts at measure 14. Section D begins at measure 20. Section E starts at measure 26. Dynamics include *mp*, *mf*, *f*, *fp*, and *fz*. Percussion parts include Crash and Hi-Hat. The score concludes with a Choke effect.

Python

H. Morgan

On Shell

Snare

Tenors

Basses

Cymbals

Hi-Hat

On Rim

SD

TN

BD

Cym.

Crash Splits

D.C. al Fine

SD

TN

BD

Cym.

Crash

Tag Ending
Play last time only

SD

TN

BD

Cym.

Choke