Intro to Music

Music

- The art of sound generation, such that a pattern of tones is created which may elicit an emotional response from the conditioned listener.
 - Conditioning: psychological programming of an individual's response to a signal (sensorial, informational, or social)
 - The listener's environmental history will determine what is considered music vs. mere noise
- Transcription
 - Notation of Western Music
 - Musical patterns are transcribed on a staff, (pl. staves)
 - Five parallel lines on which symbols and text is placed to indicate the primitive elements of music
 Timing
 - The duration and spacing of tone generation
 - o Pitch
 - One of twelve basic tones and their variants
 - Sound frequency
 - Measured in hertz (Hz)
 - Number of sinusoidal cycles per second
 - \circ Example: Concert A = 440 Hz
 - Timbre
 - The subjective quality of the tone (bright, sweet, harsh, powerful)
 - Expression
 - The method of sound execution (sudden attacks, or sustained and connected tones)

- The notation is written in such a way that the basic elements of music are presented in as a exact manner as the system will allow
 - Melody
 - A recognizable tonal pattern derived from the the interaction of pitch and rhythm
 - Harmony
 - Multi-tonal interaction interpreted according to the science of acoustics, and subjective experience
 - Rhythm
 - Predictable timing of sound

Sources and Links

Online Piano: https://www.onlinepianist.com/virtual-piano

Sheet Music: https://www.blanksheetmusic.net

Online Scores: https://imslp.org/wiki/Main_Page

Pitch Frequency Chart:

https://pages.mtu.edu/~suits/notefreqs.html

Github Music Repository:

https://github.com/NPTprogrammer/MusicResources