ARRANGER.LY

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OVERVIEW

Basic goals

arranger.ly provides an environment facilitating musical arrangement.¹ A set of functions enables quick re-orchestration of a piece of music, using a minimal and reusable music encoding.

One of the main aspects of arranger.ly concerns the locating system of musical positions, which is now based on bar $numbers^2$. The arranger's workflow is made more flexible: rather than entering music expressions instrument by instrument in a linear fashion, it becomes possible to work as the ideas go by – first deal with the melody, then accompaniment, then the bass, etc.

The user typically first declares a list of instruments. *arranger.ly* takes care of initializing each instrument with empty measures. Then, in a single command, the user can insert a music fragment in several instruments and positions, as well as "copy-paste" entire music sections in one line of code.

Functions allow for octave transposing and octave doubling, specifying patterns for repeated rhythms or articulations, distributing the notes to various instruments in a succession of chords, inverting chords, ..., so as never to repeat information.

All these functions can be directly used from Scheme, which makes for lighter syntax (no backslash before variable names) and easier editing of instrument lists.

Once the arrangement is finished, it can be exported to usual LilyPond source:

```
flute = {...}
clar = {...}
```

Software dependencies

- You need LilyPond 2.24 or higher.
- The file arranger.ly requires the following include files:

```
    chordsAndVoices.ly (http://gillesth.free.fr/Lilypond/chordsAndVoices/)
    changePitch.ly (http://gillesth.free.fr/Lilypond/changePitch/)
    copyArticulations.ly (http://gillesth.free.fr/Lilypond/copyArticulations/)
    addAt.ly (http://gillesth.free.fr/Lilypond/addAt/)
    extractMusic.ly (http://gillesth.free.fr/Lilypond/extractMusic/)
    checkPitch.ly (http://gillesth.free.fr/Lilypond/checkPitch/)
```

It is easiest to put these 6 files in the same folder alongside with arranger.ly, and call LilyPond with option --include=myfolder. Only the following line should then be added at the top of one's .ly file:

```
\include "arranger.ly"
```

Two prerequisites to using the functions

- 1. Have all meter changes in a \global variable, e.g.:

 global = { \time 4/4 s1*2 \time 5/8 s8*5*2 \time 3/4 s2.*2 }

 This enables arranger.ly to convert all measure numbers to LilyPond moments.
- 2. Use the init command described at page 4 to declare instrument names to the parser. This needs to be placed before any call to the functions described below.

 $^{^{1}\,}$ To arrange herein means to re-orchestrate an original instrumentation.

 $^{^2}$ Lilypond use a system based on $\mathit{moments}$: (1y:make-moment 5/4) for example.

Conventions and reminders

In this document, we shall call *instrument* any Scheme symbol referencing a LilyPond music expression. The music an instrument points to has the same length as \global and begins at the same time (by default, this is measure 1, with an optional upbeat). However, in the following text, *music* more generally refers to a fragment with indeterminate position, which can be inserted at any measure in the piece.

Being a symbol, an instrument is denoted in Scheme using a leading single vertical quote '

```
ex: 'flute
```

In running LilyPond input, it additionally needs to be prefixed with a hash sign # in order to be recognized as a Scheme expression.

```
ex: #'flute
```

The bare name flute in Scheme is equivalent to \flute in LilyPond.

In Scheme code, a list of instruments can be written as either

```
'(flute oboe clarinet)

or

(list 'flute 'oboe 'clarinet)

A list of music expressions is written as

(list flute oboe clarinet)

or using a so-called "quasiquote":

`(,flute ,hautbois ,clarinette) ; note the use of `( instead of '(
These lists can be manipulated with ease thanks to arranger.ly's utility functions (see lst, flat-lst and zip).
```

Initialization

- The init function must be called *after* declaring \global and *before* any call to the other functions. It is passed a list of instruments and an optional integer.

```
> syntax: (init instru-list #:optional measure1-number)
```

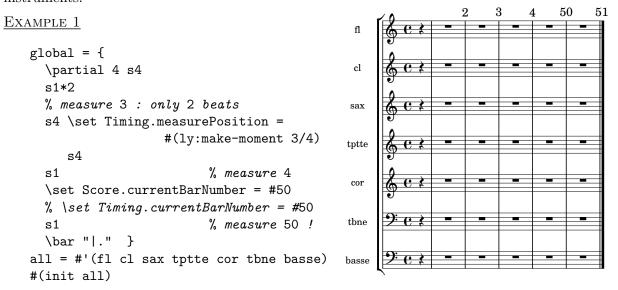
Each instrument in the list is declared to LilyPond and filled in with multi-measure rests. If \global was defined using:

```
global = { s1*20 \time 5/8 s8*5*10 \bar "|."}
the following code:
    all = #'(flute clar sax tptte cor tbne basse)
    #(init all)
is equivalent to
    flute = { R1*20 R8*5*10 }
    clar = { R1*20 R8*5*10 }
    sax = { R1*20 R8*5*10 }
    tptte = { R1*20 R8*5*10 }
    cor = { R1*20 R8*5*10 }
    basse = { R1*20 R8*5*10 }
```

- instru-list may be empty: (init '()). A noteworthy use case is direct editing of the \global variable, as shown in addendum I at page page 38.

Once all music events influencing the meter are declared in \global, init can be called a second time with a non-empty instrument list.

- To count measures, init takes into account manual overrides applied to properties of the Score context and the Timing object, such as measurePosition, measureLength, currentBarNumber, as well as the \partial and \cadenzaOn|Off commands. If \partial is placed at the very beginning of the piece, init even adds a rest with same duration as the pickup to all the instruments.



The internal function measure-number->moment may be used to ensure that arranger.ly and LilyPond stay in sync. For example,

```
#(display (map measure-number->moment '(1 2 3 4 50)))
prints the number of quarter notes elapsed from music start for measures 1, 2, 3, 4 and 50:
    (#<Mom 1/4> #<Mom 5/4> #<Mom 9/4> #<Mom 11/4> #<Mom 15/4>)
```

- The optional parameter measure1-number

init accepts an integer as optional last argument, indicating the numbering of the first measure. It defaults to 1. This is useful to add, say 3 measures of intro to the arrangement.

```
(init all -2)
```

This automatically shifts all previously entered measure positions. In this case, it is relevant while arranging to add

```
\set Score.currentBarNumber = #-2
```

at the beginning of \global, and let measure1-number default to 1. Then, once the arrangement is finished, this line can be removed while measure1-number is set to -2.

From a general point of view, the following settings are useful while working:

```
tempSettings = {
  \override Score.BarNumber.break-visibility = ##(#f #t #t)
  \override Score.BarNumber.font-size = #+2
  \set Score.barNumberVisibility = #all-bar-numbers-visible
}
```

The basic function: rm

rm means "replace music". This function typically redefines an *instrument*, replacing part of its existing music with the music fragment given as an argument.

rm is actually an extension of \replaceMusic from <code>extractMusic.ly</code>. Optional reading is chapter 8 from this file's documentation at :

```
http://gillesth.free.fr/Lilypond/extractMusic/
```

Below is the syntax of rm:

```
> syntax: (rm obj where-pos repla
#:optional repla-extra-pos obj-start-pos)
```

```
- obj is \begin{cases} \text{an } \textit{instrument}, \text{ e.g. 'flute} \\ \text{a list of } \textit{instruments} : \text{'(clar tpt sax)} \\ \text{but may also be a } \textit{music} : \text{music or } \#\{...\#\} \\ \text{or a list of } \textit{musics} : \text{(list musicA musicB musicC)} \end{cases}
```

- where-pos indicates the bar where replacement is performed. More precisely, it is a *music position* as defined in the next paragraph (page 7).
- repla is a *music* or a list of *musics*, but syntax with quote ' is valid: '(musicA musicB musicC...).
- repla-extra-pos and obj-start-pos are music positions too (read on).

 $\triangleright return:$

- If obj is an *instrument* or a *music*, rm returns the music obtained after performing the replacement. In the case of an *instrument*, this new value is automatically reassigned to the symbol representing it.
- If obj is a list of instruments or musics, rm returns the list of the obtained musics.

```
5
Exemple 2
   global = { s1*4 \bar "|." }
                                                  cl
   all = #'(fl cl sax tpt horn tbn bass)
   #(init all)
                                                 sax
   musA = \relative c' { e2 d c1 }
   musB = { f1 e1 }
                                                 tpt
   musC = \{ g, 1 c1 \}
   #(begin
                                                 horn
      (rm 'fl 1 #{ c'''1 #})
      (rm '(cl sax tpt) 2 #{ c''1 #})
                                                                                O
                                                 tbn
      (rm '(horn tbn bass) 3
                       '(musA musB musC)))
                                                 bass
```

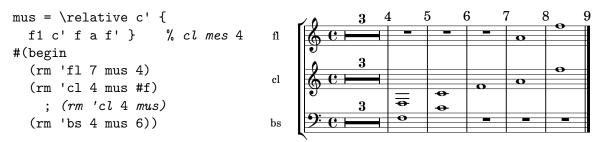
By default, the rm function accounts for the entire music given in repla. It is however possible to take only a part of it by specifying the optional parameter repla-extra-pos. The principle is as follows:

repla is positioned at the lowest position between where-pos and repla-extra-pos:

- \rightarrow if repla-extra-pos is before where-pos, the part [repla-extra-pos, where-pos[is not replaced. The beginning of repla is ignored.
- → If where-pos is before repla-extra-pos, only [where-pos, repla-extra-pos[from the instrument is replaced, and the end of repla is ignored.

Examples are most intuitive:

Exemple 3



- Optional parameter obj-start-pos may precise where obj begins (repla-extra-pos, above, related to repla). Typically here, obj is a *music* rather than an *instrument* and the return value of rm is used.

In example 3, we change now the F note at bar 6 into an E flat, assigning the result to another instrument, a sax.

Do note the difference between (rm music...) and (rm 'music...). The former returns a new musical expression without actually modifying music, whereas the latter assigns this return value back to the 'music instrument.

- In case obj is a list of *instruments*, any element of this list may in turn be a list of *instruments*. Thus

```
(rm '(flute (clar sax) bassClar) 5 '(musicA musicB musicC))
will trigger assignments as in this diagram:
```

Music positions and bar numbers explained

- A position is denoted by a bar number. What if the position should not begin at the start of a measure? In such a case, the position is a *list of integers*:

```
'(n i j k ...)
```

where n is the bar number, and i j k ... are powers of two (1, 2, 4, 8, 16, etc...) denoting the distance from the beginning of the n-th bar.³

Thus, '(5 2 4) is a position, located in measure 5, after a half note (2) and a quarter note (4), that is, in a 4/4 beat, fifth measure, fourth beat.

- Any n lower than the measure1-number passed to init, which defaults to 1, will be silently transformed into that number. In practice, it means that '(0 2 4) points to the same location as '(1 2 4)...
- Negative values for i j k ... are allowed. In a 4/4 beat, '(5 2 4) is the same position as '(6 -4), which reads "One quarter note before measure 6.". Negative values are the only way to access a pickup at the start of the piece: '(1 -4) is the beginning of a tune starting with \partial 4

³ The add-dynamics function page 28, show some pariculars cases where i j k ... are integers but not a power of two

- Like the expressions for durations in Lilypond, a dot after a power of 2 is possible: $'(7\ 4.)$ instead of $'(7\ 4\ 8)$

For 2 points and more, however, we should write: '(7 4.2) for '(7 4 8 16), '(7 4.3) for '(7 4 8 16 32), etc... (up to 9 points!).

- Any note still held at the beginning of the replacement is appropriately shortened by rm. In the previous example (page 7), this code:

```
(rm 'cl '(5 2 4) #{ r4 #}) would yield, as the clarinet's fifth measure, to: \{c2. r4\}
```

 \implies the whole C note turns into a dotted half note.

Beware: while notes and rests may be arbitrarily split into smaller values, full-measure rests (written with capital R) can only be shortened at bar lines.

```
This is why, in our example 3 on page 7,

(rm 'fl '(5 2 4) #{ c''4 #})

would trigger a warning resembling:

"warning: barcheck failed at: 3/4

mmR = { #infinite-mmR \ tag #'mmWarning R1 }"

(The 2<sup>nd</sup> line originates from the extractMusic.ly file.)

The solution is:

(rm 'fl 5 #{ r2 r4 c''4 #}) ; rests written out by hand !
```

- This last example demonstrate the use of positions with the \cadenzaOn command.

Exemple 4

```
cadenza = \relative c' { c4^"cadenza" d e f g }
global = {
   \time 3/4
   s2.
   \cadenzaOn #(skip-of-length cadenza) \cadenzaOff
   s2.*2 \bar "|." }
#(init '(clar))
#(rm 'clar 2 #{ \cadenza r2. #})
```

In order to replace the rest before measure 3 by an A note, one can use a negative number:



(rm 'clar '(3 -2.) #{ a'2. #})

Internally, arranger.ly occasionally uses a different syntax for positions:

```
`(n ,moment) ; or : (list n moment)
```

To insert the A from measure 2, the following would be then possible:

```
(rm 'clar `(2 ,(ly:music-length cadenza)) #{ a'2. #})
```

Note finally that the syntax (n, (ly:make-moment p/q)) can be reduced to (n, p/q), provided that the quotient p/q is not reducible to an integer.

```
(rm 'clar '(2 5/4) #{ a'2. #}) ; ok with 5/4: same result as previous code On the other hand, 8/4 would be (ly:make-moment 1/2), not (ly:make-moment 2/1).
```

- Convention:

In all following functions, any argument ending in -pos (such as from-pos, to-pos, where-pos, etc.) shall be positions as described in this paragraph, as well as pos1, pos2, etc...

LISTINGS of the FUNCTIONS

Copy-paste functions

✓ THE FUNCTION RM

```
> syntax: (rm obj where-pos repla #:optional repla-extra-pos obj-start-pos)
```

rm is described separately in a very detailed manner page 5.

✓ THE FUNCTION COPY-TO

```
ightharpoonup syntax: (copy-to destination source from-pos to-pos . args)
```

Copy source in destination between positions from-pos and to-pos destination can be an *instrument*, or a list of a mix of *instrument*s and lists of *instruments*. source is an *instrument*, or a list of *instruments*, but also a *music* or a list of *musics*You can put after several sections, by specifying new sources and new positions in the parameter optional args. User can optionally separate each section by a slash /.

(copy-to destination sourceA posA1 posA2 / sourceB posB1 posB2 / etc...) If you omit the parameter source in a section, the source of the previous section is taken into account.

(copy-to destination source pos1 pos2 / source pos3 pos4) If source do not begin at the beginning of the piece, then the optional key parameter #:source-start-pos can be used like that:

(copy-to dest source pos1 pos2 #:source-start-pos pos3 / pos4 pos5 ...) Finally, user can replace copy-to by the function (copy-to-with-func func), which will apply func to each copied section. See how to use this feature at the function apply-to, page 10.

((copy-to-with-func func) destination source pos1 pos2 ...)

✓ THE FUNCTION COPY-OUT

```
hinspace syntax: (copy-out obj from-pos to-pos where-pos . other-where-pos)
```

Copy out the section [from-pos to-pos[of the instrument or list of instruments obj, to the position where-pos, and then eventually to other positions.

(copy-out obj from-pos to-pos where-pos1 where-pos2 where-pos3 etc...) User can replace copy-out by the function (copy-out-with-func func), which will apply func to each copied section. See how to use this feature at the function apply-to, page 10.

((copy-out-with-func func) obj from-pos to-pos where-pos ...)

✓ THE FUNCTION X-RM

 $> \mathit{syntax}: \boxed{ \texttt{(x-rm obj replacement pos1 pos2 ... posn)}$

Simple shortcut for:

(rm obj pos1 replacement)
(rm obj pos2 replacement)
...
(rm obj posn replacement)

✓ THE FUNCTION RM-WITH

```
ho syntax: (rm-with obj pos1 repla1 / pos2 repla2 / pos3 repla3 ...)
```

Shortcut for:

```
(rm obj pos1 repla1)
(rm obj pos2 repla2)
etc...
```

The slash / that split the instruction is optional.

If a replan want to use music of a previous section, once modified, please use the scheme function delay and the function em of the page 12 in the following way:

```
(delay (em obj pos1 ...)); Extract obj music after it is modified
```

✓ THE FUNCTION APPLY-TO

```
> syntax: (apply-to obj func from-pos to-pos #:optional obj-start-pos)
```

Apply func to music of obj inside section [from-pos to-pos[.

obj is a musique, an instrument, or a list of musiques or instruments.

The obj-start-pos parameter allows user to specify the starting position of obj when different from the whole piece.

The parameter func:

- func is a function with only one parameter of type music.

"arranger.ly" defines a number of such function, in the form of a sub-function whose name begins with set-: set-transp, set-pat, set-ncopy, set-note, set-pitch, set-notes+, set-arti, set-reverse, set-del-events, set-chords->nmusics.

(These functions are described later in this document).

- You can, however, easily create your own functions, compatible apply-to, with the help of a "wrapper" function called to-set-func, particularly adapted to changing musical properties. to-set-func takes itself in parameter, a function with musical parameter.

In the following example, we define a function func which, when used with apply-to, will transform all c' into d'.

- You can also group several operations together at the same time, using the compose function:

```
(compose func3 func2 func1 ...)
```

...which will result, when applied to a music parameter, to:

```
(func3 (func2 (func1 music)))
```

- Let's go back to the functions of "arranger.ly " mentioned earlier, functions of the form :

```
((set-func args) music)
```

During the call of apply-to, all arguments of the sub-function set-func remain the same and fixed for all instruments contained in obj. However, it is in certain cases desirable that these arguments are, on the contrary, customizable for each instrument.

This will be possible, provided that a new syntax is adopted for the argument func of apply-to, which will then be defined as a pair, with in 1^{st} element, the name of the sub-function, and in 2^{nd} , a list, composed with the arguments corresponding to each instrument.

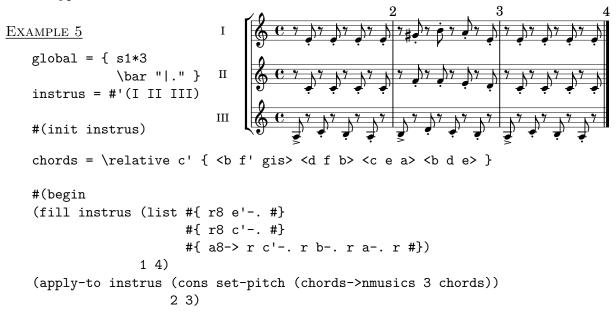
func becomes : (cons set-func (list args-instrument1 args-instrument2 ...))

Each args-instrument of the list is either a single element or either a list itself, depending on the number of parameters required by set-func.

Example 5 below, copies patterns for 3 measures and then changes the pitch of the notes in the $2^{\rm nd}$ measure.

This is done using 3 functions that will be seen later :

- \rightarrow The fill function page 25 (*musics* patterns)
- \rightarrow The set-pitch function page 21. It waits for a single parameter, of type music.
- \rightarrow The chords->nmusics function page 20. It returns a list of n elements that are just of type ... music.



✓ THE FUNCTION X-APPLY-TO

```
\triangleright syntax: (x-apply-to obj func from-pos1 to-pos1 / from-pos2 to-pos2 /...)
```

Simple shortcut for:

```
(apply-to obj func from-pos1 to-pos1)
(apply-to obj func from-pos2 to-pos2)
etc...
```

The slash / is optional.

A key : obj-start-pos can optionally specify a starting point that differs from the beginning of the song :

```
(x-apply-to obj func pos1 pos2 #:obj-start-pos pos3 ...)
```

✓ THE FUNCTION **XCHG-MUSIC** (shortcut of "exchange music")

```
 > \mathit{syntax}: \boxed{ (xchg-music obj1 obj2 from-pos1 to-pos1 / from-pos2 to-pos2 /...) }
```

Copy [from-posn to-posn[section from obj1 to obj2, and the one from obj2 to obj1. The slash / is optional.

Manipulating musical elements

The following functions help manipulating sequential or simultaneous musics, extracted from instruments.

 \checkmark THE FUNCTION **EM** : from extract and music, reference function : \extractMusic⁴

> syntax: (em obj from-pos to-pos #:optional obj-start-pos)

Extract music in measures range [from-pos to-pos[. An event will be kept if it begins between theses two limits, and his length will be cut if it lasts after to-pos.

obj is typically an *instrument*, or a list of *instruments*.

If obj is a *music* or a *musics* list, the obj-start-pos parameter will inform the function about the position of obj in the piece (by default : the beginning of the piece).

em returns a musics list if obj is a list, or a music in the opposite.

See an example of use in the following example (function seq).

```
\checkmark THE FUNCTION X-EM
```

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (x-em pos1 pos2 / pos3 pos4 / ...)

Returns: (list (em obj pos1 pos2) (em obj pos3 pos4) ...)

 \checkmark THE FUNCTION **SEQ** (shortcut of <u>sequential</u>)

hinspace> syntax: (seq musicI musicIII etc...)

Equivalent to: { \musicI \musicII \musicIII...}

All arguments are musics but list of musics are also supported.

Example:

(rm 'clar 12 (seq (em 'flute 12 15) ; Double the flute #{ r2 r4 #} ; Measure 15 (em 'violin '(16 -4) 20)); Double the violin

 \checkmark THE FUNCTION **SEQ-R** (r like <u>rest</u>)

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (seq-r . args)

Same as seq but any number is converted into a rest with that number as duration.

The previous example can be written:

(rm 'clar 12 (seq-r (em 'flute 12 15) ; Double the flute 2 4 ; Measure 15 : some rests (em 'violin '(16 -4) 20)) ; Double the violin

A dot after the number is possible: 4. means #{ r4. #}.

For 2, 3 dots or more, the digit 2, 3 etc... is added after the dot:

4.3 for example means #{ r4... #} (3 dots)

 $[\]frac{1}{1} = \frac{1}{1} \frac{$

✓ THE FUNCTION **SIM** (shortcut of <u>sim</u>ultaneous) ▷ syntax: (sim musicI musicII musicIII etc...)

Equivalent to: << \musicI \musicII \musicIII ...>> All arguments are *musics* but list of *musics* are also supported. See an example in volta-repeat->skip function, page 14

\checkmark THE FUNCTION **SPLIT**

```
ightharpoonup syntax: ['(id1 id2 id3...)] music1 music2 music3...)
```

Equivalent to : \voices id1,id2,id3 ... << music1 \\ music2 \\ music3 ... >> The ids list for each voices is optional.

The default list is based in the pattern '(1 $3 5 \ldots 6 4 2$)

✓ THE FUNCTION PART-COMBINE

Equivalent to: \partCombine \musicI \musicII Both arguments are *musics*.

✓ THE FUNCTION **DEF!**

```
> syntax: (def! name
#:optional music)
```

Equivalent to a Lilypond déclaration: name = \music name is an *instrument*, or an *'instrument*s list. (def! is applied to each instruments of the list). music is a *music* or a *music*s list.(music1 is associated to instrument1, music2 to instrument2 etc.)

If music is omitted, the default value is a skip (s1{*}...) with the same length as \global. See example below, in function volta-repeat->skip.

✓ THE FUNCTION AT

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (at pos mus)

Return { s1*... \mus }, with s1*... with a length from beginning of the piece to pos.

✓ THE FUNCTION CUT-END

 $\triangleright syntax:$ [(cut-end obj new-end-pos [start-pos])

Cut, at position new-end-pos, the musics associated with obj, keeping only the beginning. It is particularly usefull during building process of \global, as shown in addendum I page 38.

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/

✓ THE FUNCTION VOLTA-REPEAT->SKIP

```
> syntax : (volta-repeat->skip r0 [r1 r2...])
> syntax : (volta-repeat->skip r0 '((r1 n1 [n2...])(r2 ni [ni+1...])...)
```

Returns a \repeat volta [\alternate] structure, where each element is a \skip.

The arguments r... are rational numbers, in the p/q form, with q as a power of two (1 2 4 8...). They indicate the length of each \skip.

In syntax 2, in the 'list of lists' of the 2nd parameter, the arguments n... are natural integers, corresponding to those of the command \volta (For example \volta 1,2,3).

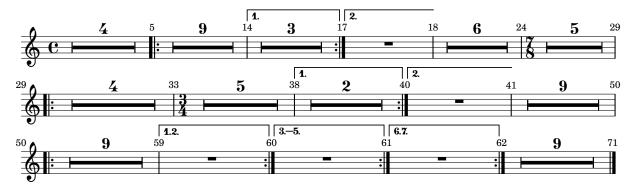
The number of repetitions is calculated on the number of r1 r2... for syntax 1 and on the number of n1 n2... for syntax 2.

```
(volta-repeat->skip 9 3 5/4) or (volta-repeat->skip 9 '((3 1) (5/4 2)) are in both cases, equivalent to:
```

```
\repeat volta 2 s1*9 \alternate { \volta 1 s1*3 \volta 2 s4*5 }
```

The arguments r... can alternatively be of type moment, which allows the use of pos-sub, an internal function which returns the length between 2 positions. The example below shows it in action, bar 29, and also the function def!, described page 13.

Example 5:



✓ THE FUNCTION MMR

Returns a multiMeasasureRest with a duration computed from:

- a rational (syntax 1) in the p/q form, with q as a power of two (1 2 4 8...) (for example (mmr 3/4) for #{ R4*3 #}, or (mmr 2) for #{ R1*2 #}),
- or, for syntax 2, from the music length between 2 bar numbers

(for example (mmr 5 13) to get a rest that completely fulfils bar 5 to 13).

Syntax 2 internally uses the pos-sub function described above.

```
Managing voices (addition, extraction)
```

See also chordsAndVoices-doc.pdf at http://gillesth.free.fr/Lilypond/chordsAndVoices/

```
✓ THE FUNCTION VOICE
   \triangleright syntax: [(voice n [m p ...] music)]
or: (2<sup>nd</sup> equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)
   > syntax: ((set-voice n [m p ...]) music)
Extract the voice n in a music with several simultaneous voices:
    music = << { a b } \\ { c d } >>
   (voice 1 music) \implies { a b }
   (voice 2 music) \implies { c d }
   (voice 3 music) \implies { c d }
If other numbers m p ... are given, the function returns a list of all voices matching with the
numbers n m p ...
    (rm '(instru1 instru2) 5 (voice 1 2 music))
is equivalent to:
    (rm 'instru1 5 { a b })
    (rm 'instru2 5 { c d })
✓ THE FUNCTION REPLACE-VOICE
    \triangleright syntax : | (replace-voice n music repla) |
or: (2<sup>nd</sup> equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)
    > syntax: ((set-replace-voice n repla) music)
Replaces, in a simultaneous music, the voice n:
   music = << { a b } \\ { c d } >>
    (replace-voice 2 music #{ f g #})
returns:
    << { a b } \\ { f g } >>
✓ THE FUNCTION DISPATCH-VOICES
   \triangleright syntax: |(dispatch-voices obj where-pos music-with-voices
                          #:optional voices-extra-pos obj-start-pos)
EXAMPLE:
   music = << { c2 d } \\ { e2 f } \\ { g2 b } >>
The code:
    (dispatch-voices '(bassoon clarinet (oboe flute)) 8 music)
will produce, measure 8, the following assignment:
               \leftarrow { c2 d }
   'bassoon
   'clarinet \leftarrow { e2 f }
```

See the rm function (page 5) for the signification of the optional arguments.

{ g2 b }

{ g2 b }

 \leftarrow

'oboe

'flute

The following functions are all created, at the parameter level, on the same model. Each of them just allows to obtain a particular type of simultaneous music:

```
add-voice1/add-voice2
                               << \voiceI \\ \voiceII >>
                              << \voiceI \voiceII >>
merge-in/merge-in-with \rightarrow
combine1/combine2
                              \partCombine \voiceI \voiceII
```

```
✓ THE FUNCTION ADD-VOICE1, ADD-VOICE2
```

```
(add-voice1 obj where-pos new-voice
> syntax:
                    #:optional voice-start-pos to-pos obj-start-pos)
         (add-voice2 obj where-pos new-voice
                    #:optional voice-start-pos to-pos obj-start-pos)
```

The music of each *instrument*, is replaced at the where-pos position with

```
<< [existing music] \\ new-voice >> for add-voice2
and with:
```

```
<< new-voice \\ [existing music] >> for add-voice1.
```

obj is an *instrument* or a list of *instrument*s new-voice is a *music* or a list of *musics*.

Use voice-start-pos, if new-voice begins before where-pos.

Use to-pos if you want to stop the replacement before the end of new-voice.

Use obj-start-pos if obj doesn't begin to the beginning of the piece (typically measure 1, see init function, page 4).

✓ THE FUNCTION MERGE-IN

```
ightharpoonup syntax: (merge-in obj where-pos new-voice
                       #:optional voice-start-pos to-pos obj-start-pos)
```

music of obj is replaced, measure where-pos, by:

```
<< new-voice [existing music] >>
```

For optional parameters, see above (add-voice1).

✓ THE FUNCTION MERGE-IN-WITH

```
> syntax: (merge-in-with obj pos1 music1 / pos2 music2 / pos3 music3 ...)
```

is a shortcut for:

```
(merge-in obj pos1 music1)
(merge-in obj pos2 music2)
(merge-in obj pos3 music3)
```

The slash / is optionnal

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✓ THE FUNCTION COMBINE1, COMBINE2

```
> syntax: (combine1 obj where-pos new-voice #:optional voice-start-pos to-pos obj-start-pos)
> syntax: (combine2 obj where-pos new-voice #:optional voice-start-pos to-pos obj-start-pos)
```

music of each instrument, is replaced, at where-pos position, by :

\partCombine \new-voice [existing music] for combine1. See add-voice function in the top of this page, for optional parameters.

Managing chords

```
✓ THE FUNCTION NOTE
```

```
> syntax: (note n [m p ...] music)
```

or: (2nd equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)

$$\triangleright syntax:$$
 ((set-note n [m p ...]) music)

Extract the n^{th} note of each chords (in the same order as in the source file).

If other numbers $\,m\,p\,\ldots$ are specified, note will form chords instead, by extracting from original chords, notes matching to these numbers $\,n\,m\,p\,\ldots$

If no match is found, note returns the last note of the chord.

Example:

```
\begin{array}{ll} \text{music} = \{ \ \ \text{ce g} > \ \ \text{p d f b} > \ . \ \} \\ \text{(note 1 music)} & \Longrightarrow \{ \ \ \text{c-\p d-.} \ \} \\ \text{(note 2 3 music)} & \Longrightarrow \{ \ \ \text{e g} > \ \ \text{p d b} > \ . \ \} \\ \text{(note 4 music)} & \Longrightarrow \{ \ \ \text{g-\p b-.} \ \} \end{array}
```

✓ THE FUNCTION **NOTES**+

```
ightharpoonup syntax: (notes+ music newnotes1 [newnotes2...])
```

or : $(2^{\mathrm{nd}}$ equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)

```
\triangleright syntax: ((set-notes+ newnotes1 [newnotes2...]) music))
```

Transforms each note of music into a chord, and inserts in it, the corresponding newnotes note. A \skip in newnotes leaves the original note unchanged.

EXAMPLE:

✓ THE FUNCTION ADD-NOTES

```
\triangleright syntax: [add-notes obj where-pos newnotes1 [newnotes2]...[obj-start-pos])
```

Same as ${\tt notes+}$ but applied now to a given position ${\tt where-pos}$

obj can be an *instrument*, a list of *instruments*, a *music* or a list of *musics*.

newnotes are *musics*, but if both newnotes1 and obj are lists, notes+ is applied element to element.

See the rm function (page 5) to know the signification of last optional parameter obj-start-pos.

✓ THE FUNCTION **DISPATCH-CHORDS**

```
\triangleright syntax: (dispatch-chords instruments where-pos music-with-chords . args)
```

 ${\tt dispatch-chords} \ {\rm assigns} \ {\rm each} \ {\rm note} \ {\rm of} \ {\rm the} \ {\rm chords} \ {\rm of} \ {\rm a} \ {\it music} \ {\rm to} \ {\rm separate} \ {\rm parts.}.$

instruments is the list of instruments that receive, at the where-pos position, those parts. music-with-chords is the *music* containing the chords. The note 1 of a chord is sent to the last item in the list instruments, then the note 2 to the second to last one etc...

The code:

The optional args are the same than the rm function (see page 5)

✓ THE FUNCTION REVERSE-CHORDS

or: (2nd equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)

```
\triangleright syntax: ((set-reverse n [strict-comp?]) music)
```

Reverse n times chords contained in music.

The displaced note is octavated as many times as necessary to make its pitch higher (lower if n<0) than the note preceding it.

The optional parameter strict-comp? proposes either, when set to #t, the comparison: strictly higher (strictly lower for n<0), or, when set to #f, the comparison: higher (lower) or equal. By default, strict-comp? is set to #f for set-reverse and to #t for reverse-chords!

EXAMPLE (in absolute pitch mode):

✓ THE FUNCTION BRAKETIFY-CHORDS

```
> syntax: (braketify-chords obj)
```

Adds bracket in chords containing at least 2 notes and not linked in previous chord by a tilde ~ This function extends the \braketifyChords function defined in copyArticulations.ly accepting also as parameter, a list of musics, an instrument, or a list of instruments.

Managing chords and voices together

The following functions are all compatible with apply-to.

✓ THE FUNCTION TREBLE-OF

 $\gt{syntax}:$ (treble-of music)

Extract in first voice, the last note of each chord.

✓ THE FUNCTION BASS-OF

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (bass-of music)

Extract in last voice, the first note of each chord.

✓ THE FUNCTION VOICES->CHORDS

 $hinspace syntax: iggl[ext{(voices->chords [n] music)} iggr]$

Replaces all *simultaneous musics* of music by a *sequential musics* with n notes chords (If omitted, n defaults to 2).

By default, the 1st note of a chord matchs to the last voice and so on, but notes order in chords can be customized by setting n as a list of numbers.

The results obtained are exactly the same with:

music = << { e'4. g'8 } \\ { c'4 d' } \\ { a8 b4. } >>

and the rhythm will be extracted from voice 1, i.e. { 4. 8 }

On the other hand, with:

```
music = \voices 1,3,2 << { e'4. g'8 } \\ { c'8 d'4. } \\ { a b } >>
```

the 1st chord will be preceded by a long sequence of \override or \set The function set-del-events can then be used, to keep only the notes.

((set-del-events 'OverrideProperty 'PropertySet)(voices->chords 3 music))

✓ THE FUNCTION CHORDS->VOICES

```
\triangleright syntax: (chords->voices [n] music)
```

The function use the function **note** (page 17) and the function **split** (page 13). It is equivalent to:

By default, n = 2

n is converted by the split function into a list of ids for each voice. However, a list of numbers can be directly specified, taking into account that the 1^{st} note of a chord corresponds to the last voice.

```
music = { a c' e' > b d' g' > } (chords->voices 3 music) and (chords->voices '(1 3 2) music) result in : \voices 1,3,2 << { e' g' } \\ { a b } >>
```

✓ THE FUNCTION CHORDS->NMUSICS

hinspace syntax: (chords->nmusics n music)

or : $(2^{\mathrm{nd}}$ equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)

Transform a sequence of chords in a list of n musics

For: music = {<e g c'> <d f b> <c e g c'>} the chords->nmusics function give the following list:

| | liste |
|---|---|
| 1 | {e d c} {g f e}{e d c} {c' b g}{g f e}{e d c} {c' b c'}{c' b g}{g f e}{e d c} |
| 2 | {g f e}{e d c} |
| 3 | {c' b g}{g f e}{e d c} |
| 4 | {c' b c'}{c' b g}{g f e}{e d c} |

See a use of chords->nmusics at example 5 of page 11.

Managing pitch of notes

✓ THE FUNCTION REL

 $\gt{syntax}: \cite{rel [n] music)}$

returns: \relative pitch \music

pitch as the central c', transposed by n octaves.

(rel -2 music) \Longrightarrow \relative c, \music

(rel -1 music) \Longrightarrow \relative c \music

(rel music) \Longrightarrow \relative c' \music \% by défault: n=0

 $(rel 1 music) \Longrightarrow \relative c'' \music$

 $(rel 2 music) \Longrightarrow \relative c''' \music$

An extended syntax is possible. See octave function, page 22.

✓ THE FUNCTION **SET-PITCH** (reference function : \changePitch)

 $\triangleright syntax:$ ((set-pitch from-notes) obj)

Replace pitch of notes in obj by those in from-notes. To use typically with *apply-to*. See example 5 at page 11.

✓ THE FUNCTION SET-TRANSP

ightharpoonup syntax: ((set-transp octave note-index alteration/2) obj [obj2 [obj3 ...]]) ightharpoonup syntax: ((set-transp func) obj [obj2 [obj3 ...]])

Apply the Lilypond scheme function ly:pitch-transpose to each pitch of obj, with a "delta-pitch" parameter equal to:

either the return value of (ly:make-pitch octave note-index alteration/2) (syntax 1) either the return value of the func(p) function (syntax 2).(p current pitch to transpose).

The obj parameters are *musics*, *instruments* or a list of one of these 2 types.

The function returns the transposed music, or a list of transposed musics set-transp is compatible with apply-to and can be used as follows:

The function maj->min presented now, uses syntax 2 to adapt the transposition interval around the modal notes (degree III and VI) of the original major key.



The function maj->min is defined as follows:

```
#(define (maj->min from-pitch to-pitch); returns the function lambda
       (let ((delta (ly:pitch-diff to-pitch from-pitch))
              (special-pitches (music-pitches; see scm/music-functions.scm
                (ly:music-transpose #{ dis e eis gis a ais #} from-pitch))))
         (lambda(p) (ly:make-pitch ; returns the delta pitch
           (ly:pitch-steps delta)
           (+ (ly:pitch-alteration delta); the interval varies according to p
               (if (find (same-pitch-as p 'any-octave) special-pitches)
                 -1/2 0)))))); same-pitch-as is defined in checkPitch.ly
All that's left is to choose which to-pitch parameter to apply to 'II and 'III:
    (apply-to 'II (set-transp (maj->min #{ c' #} #{ a #})) 1 8)
    (apply-to 'III (set-transp (maj->min #{ c' #} #{ c' #})) 1 8))
✓ THE FUNCTION OCTAVE
   \triangleright syntax : \boxed{(\texttt{octave n obj})}
or: (2<sup>nd</sup> equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)
   > syntax: ((set-octave n) obj)
Basically, octave is a simple shortcut to the function (set-transp n 0 0), where n can be
positive (upward transposition) or negative (downward transposition).
However, like the rel and octave+ functions, it has an extended syntax.
Here are some possibilities.
1<sup>st</sup> case: putting a theme in different octaves, for instruments of different tessitura.
    (rm '(vlI vlII va (vc db)) 18 (octave 2 1 0 -1 theme))
The function returns the list ((octave 2 theme) (octave 1 theme) etc ...)
Note that the cello and the double bass receive the same music: (octave -1 theme)
2^{\text{nd}} case: putting in a specified octave, several musics at the same time.
    (rm '(instruI instruII instruIV) 18 (octave 1 m1 m2 m3 m4))
All musics m1 m2 m3 m4 are transposed by one octave.
3<sup>rd</sup> case: great mix!
    (rm '(vlI vlII va (vc db)) 18 (octave 2 m1 1 m2 m3 -1 m4))
m1 is transposed 2 octaves up, m2 and m3 are transposed: 1 octave up, and m4 is transposed:
1 octave down.
✓ THE FUNCTION OCTAVIZE
   > syntax: (octavize n obj from-pos1 to-pos1 [/ from-pos2 to-pos2 /...])
octavize transpose by n octaves the instrument (or the list of instruments) obj, between the
positions [from-pos1 to-pos1], [from-pos2 to-pos2], etc...
✓ THE FUNCTION OCTAVE+
   > syntax : (octave+ n music)
or: (2<sup>nd</sup> equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)
   \triangleright syntax : \left| ((set-octave+ n) obj) \right|
Shortcut of (notes+ music (octave n music)) (see notes+ page 17) but without doubling
articulations.
octave+ has the same extended syntax as octave (see above) and rel.
```

✓ THE FUNCTION ADD-NOTE-OCTAVE

```
\triangleright syntax: (add-note-octave n obj from-pos1 to-pos1 [/ from-pos2 to-pos2 /...])
```

Apply the previous (octave+ n music) function to each [from-pos to-pos] section.

The 2 following functions: fix-pitch and pitches->percu are more specifically designed for percussion. They put a bridge between notes with pitch and percussion notes.

✓ THE FUNCTION FIX-PITCH

```
> syntax : (fix-pitch music pitch)

> syntax : (fix-pitch music note-index)

> syntax : (fix-pitch music octave note-index alteration)
```

Sets all the notes to pitch pitch (syntax 1) or (ly:make-pitch -1 note-index 0) (syntax 2), or finally (ly:make-pitch octave note-index alteration) (syntax 3).

These 3 lines are equivalent:

```
(fix-pitch music #{ c #})
(fix-pitch music 0)
(fix-pitch music -1 0 0)
```

The corresponding apply-to function ((set-fix-pitch ...) music) takes these same pitch parameters.

✓ THE FUNCTION PITCHES->PERCU

```
\triangleright syntax: (pitches->percu music percu-sym-def . args)
```

Converts notes to percussion-type notes.

args is a sequence of a pitch following by a percussion symbol.

For each note of music, the function searches for the percussion symbol corresponding to the pitch of this note. If none is found, the default symbol percu-sym-def is taken.

Then this percussion instrument is assigned to the 'drum-style property of the note.

Each group of args can optionally be separated by a slash /

Finally, note that any number n is transformed into (ly:make-pitch -1 n 0) by the function, as for syntax 2 of the previous function fix-pitch

Exemple 6

 \checkmark THE FUNCTION **SET-RANGE** (see : correct-out-of-range in checkPitch.ly)

 $\triangleright syntax:$ ((set-range range) music)

range is a sequence of 2 notes: #{ c, c'' #} or a two-tone chord: #{ <c, c''> #}
Transposes to the right octave, all notes out of range. The function allows you to adjust the score to the tessitura of an instrument, for example.

Can be used with apply-to.

✓ THE FUNCTION DISPLAY-TRANSPOSE

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (display-transpose music amount)

Visually moves notes from amount positions up or down. The midi datas are untouched.

The cp function presented now, takes its name from change pitch. It therefore allows you to modify the pitch of the notes of a piece of music without affecting its rhythm, but also to modify the rhythm of a piece of music without affecting the pitch of the notes. This is the reason why it will be part of the following section: rhythm patterns.

This remark also concerns the function cp-with

Using «patterns»

 \checkmark THE FUNCTION **CP** : rhythm pattern (reference function is \changePitch^5)

 $\triangleright syntax: [(cp [keep-last-rests?] pattern[s] music[s])]$

or: (2nd equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)

 $\triangleright syntax:$ ((set-pat pattern [keep-last-rests?]) obj)

cp is basically equivalent to \changePitch \pattern \music

It returns a *music* when pattern and music are *musics*, and a list of *musics*, if one of those parameters are a list of *musics* or *instruments*.

If pattern ends by rests, the optional parameter keep-last-rests? indicates whether they should also be included after the very last note.

keep-last-rests? defaults to #t for cp and to #f for set-pat.

2 cp shortcuts have been defined:

 $(cp1 obj) \implies (cp patI obj)$ $(cp2 obj) \implies (cp patII obj)$

See tweak-notes-seq (page 26) for an example of use of the shortcut cp1

⁵ See *changePitch-doc.pdf* at http://gillesth.free.fr/Lilypond/changePitch/

✓ THE FUNCTION CP-WITH

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (cp-with obj pos1 notes1 [pos2 notes2 [pos3 notes3...]])

Replaces at position pos, the notes of obj with those of notes. The original rhythms of obj remain unchanged, only the pitches are modified. The articulations are mixed.

A slash / after each note parameter may help to clarify the code visually.

Like rm-with, the scheme function delay can be used to retrieve music modified in a previous section.

✓ THE FUNCTION **CA** : articulations pattern (reference function is \copyArticulations⁶)

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (ca pattern[s] music[s])

or: (2nd equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)

 $\triangleright syntax:$ ((set-arti pattern) obj)

Copies articulations from pattern to music, and returns music.

If at least one of these 2 arguments is a list (a list of musics or a list of instruments), the function returns a list of musics.

It is possible to use in ${\tt musics}$, the functions defined in ${\it copyArticulations.ly}$:

\notCopyArticulations (shortcut \notCA), \skipArti, \nSkipArti et \skipTiedNotes.

 \checkmark THE FUNCTION **FILL-WITH** : musics pattern

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (fill-with pattern from-pos to-pos)

Repeat the pattern music the number of times necessary to fill the [from-pos to-pos] interval exactly, eventually cutting off the last copy.

Returns the resulting music, or a list of these musics if pattern is a list of musics.

 \checkmark THE FUNCTION **FILL** : musics pattern

Equivalent of (rm obj from-pos music) with

music = (fill-with pattern from-pos to-pos)

The following syntax is possible:

(fill obj pat1 from1 to1 / [pat2] from2 to2 / [pat3] from3 to3 ...)

If a pat parameter is omitted, the one from the previous section is retrieved. See example 5 page 11.

 \checkmark THE FUNCTION **FILL-PERCENT** : musics pattern

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (fill-percent obj pattern from-pos to-pos . args)

Same as function fill above, but produces \repeat percent ... musics instead.

⁶ See http://lsr.di.unimi.it/LSR/Item?id=769 for the use of \copyArticulations

```
(fill-percent 'I
    #{ c'4 d' e' f' #} 1 4)
(fill-percent 'II
    #{ c'4 d' #} 1 4)
```



✓ THE FUNCTION **TWEAK-NOTES-SEQ** : notes pattern

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (tweak-notes-seq n-list music)

or: (2nd equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)

when there are no more notes to match in music.

 $\triangleright syntax:$ ((set-tweak-notes-seq n-list) music)

music is a music with notes in it.

n-list is an integers list. Each number n represents the nth note extracted from music. tweak-notes-seq returns a sequential music by replacing each number of n-list with the corresponding note. When the last number is reached, the process starts again at the beginning of the list of numbers, but increasing it by the largest number in the list. The process stops

```
(tweak-notes-seq '(1 2 3 2 1) #{ c d e | d e f | e f g #})

⇒ { c d e d c
        d e f e d
        e f g f e }
```

In n-list, a number n can be replaced by a pair (n . music-function).

music-function is then applied to the note n. It must take a music as parameter and return a music. Typically, this function is set-octave.

The following example uses this function, in combination with the cp1 shortcut of the set-pat function.

Exemple 7

 \checkmark THE FUNCTION X-POS : bar numbers pattern

 $\triangleright syntax :$ (x-pos n-from n-to [pos-pat [step]])

 $\triangleright syntax:$ ((x-pos [pos-pat [step]]) n-from1 n-to1 [n-from2 n-to2...])

The n-from and n-to parameters are bar numbers (some integers).

pos-pat is a positions⁷ list, with a letter, generally n, instead of bar numbers.

x-pos converts this list, replacing n (the letter) by the bar number n-from and increasing it recursively by step units, as long as this value remains strictly inferior to n-to.

In syntax 2, x-pos successively applies the same pattern pos-pat and step to each of the n-from/n-to pairs.

By default, pos-pat = '(n), step = 1.

⁷ positions are defined in the "music positions" paragraph, page 7.

The following table shows the list obtained with different values:

x-pos can be used with x-rm for example, in conjunction with the scheme function apply:

Example 8

Adding text and musical quotations

✓ THE FUNCTION **TXT**

```
\triangleright syntax:  [txt text [dir [X-align [Y-offset]]])
```

text is a markup

dir is the *direction* of text : 1 (or UP), -1 (or DOWN), or by default 0 (automatic). X-align is the *self-alignment-X* property value of text : -1 by default.

| X-align | text alignment |
|--------------|----------------|
| -1 or LEFT | to left |
| 1 or RIGHT | to right |
| 0 or CENTER | center |
| | |

Y-offset is the Y-offset property value of text: 0 by default

The function returns a zero-length *skip*.

Exemple:

Note that setting one of the optional parameters dir, X-align or Y-offset to the value #f, has the same effect as omitting this parameter: its corresponding property is not modified.

✓ THE FUNCTION ADEF

```
\triangleright syntax: (adef music [text [dir [X-align [Y-offset]]]])
```

Formats \mathtt{music} with cue notes, like in a "a def" section . A text can be added with the same arguments as the previous \mathtt{txt} function.

Example 9:

Consider the following violin:



and a flute beginning bar 4 :

(rm 'fl 4 (rel #{ f'4 g a b | c1 #}))

(add-voice2 'fl 3

The following code :

(adef (em vl 3 4) "(violon)" DOWN))
(rm 'fl 4 (txt "play" UP))

will produce the flute :



The difference in size of a "a def" section from the current size is adef-size = -3. You can redefine adef-size as you wish. For example, it can be:

(define adef-size -2)

If we want to have, in the example above, the text: "(violin)" at the normal size, we must replace this text by the following markup:

(markup (#:fontsize (- adef-size) "(violon)"))

Adding dynamics

✓ THE FUNCTION ADD-DYNAMICS

$$\triangleright syntax:$$
 (add-dynamics obj pos-dyn-str)

obj is a music, an instrument, or a list of instruments.

pos-dyn-str is a *string* "...", composed by a sequence of position-dynamics, separated by a slash / (the slash is mandatory here).

The function analyzes the string pos-dyn-str and returns a code of the form:

(rm-with obj pos1 #{ <>\dynamics1 #} / pos2 #{ <>\dynamics2 #} /...)

For list positions, the 'character can be omitted: '(11 4 8) \Longrightarrow (11 4 8).

For dynamics, all backslashes $\$ must be removed. Direction symbols, on the other hand, $-^-$ are allowed. Several dynamics are separated with a space.

EXAMPLE:

Taking the violin from the previous example 9, the following code:

(add-dynamics 'vl "1 mf / 2 > / 3 p cresc / (4 2) f ") will result in:



- A position followed by no dynamic tells the function to search and delete the previous dynamic that would occur at the same *moment*.

- It is possible to specify adjustments of the position X and Y of a dynamic dyn by the following basic syntax (it will be adapted in most cases): dyn#X#Y.

Something like: mf#1#-1.5 will result to:

```
<>-\tweak self-alignment-X #1 -\tweak extra-offset #'(0 . -1.5) -\mf
```

To replace the *zero* of the first element of the extra-offset pair, we can also put a third parameter between the other two. The general syntax then becomes:

```
dyn#val1#val3#val2
```

and it results to:

```
<>-\tweak self-alignment-X val1 -\tweak extra-offset #'(val3 . val2) -\dyn
```

A val value can be omitted but the number of # characters must match to the index 1,2 or 3:

- Regardless of these placement adjustments induced by the \tweak command, the add-dynamics function allows very precise placement of dynamics by judicious choice of its associated musical position. However, if it is easy, for example, to insert a dynamic at the position '(3 64), there is a problem if a fourth starts at bar 3 because it will be cut at the 64th beat!

It would therefore be wise to create a special separate voice for the instrument instru, named instruDyn for example, made up only of skips and which would receive all the instru dynamics.

Then simply combine that voice with the voice of notes and with global. The example at the beginning of the paragraph will become:

```
(def! 'vlDyn) ; see page 13.
(add-dynamics 'vlDyn "1 mf / 2 > / 3 p cresc / (4 2) ^f")
...
\new Staff { << \global \vlDyn \vl >> }
```

Note that this is identical to the traditional way of proceeding, except that here there is no need to make calculations to find the adequate duration of the skips between 2 dynamics. It's arranger.ly that takes care of it.

Also note that *arranger.ly* introduces a **sym-append** function, which is particularly well suited to the creation of these special voices. See the given example at page 35, precisely with voices dedicated to dynamics.

Finally, note that this method makes it possible to insert dynamics in tuplets:

- A forte for the 2nd 8th note of a triplet in bar 5, can be obtained with "(5 12) f"8,
- the 3rd 8th note can be obtained by "(5 12 12) f" or "(5 6) f".

The syntax with fractions can only be used, in add-dynamics, through variables to be included in the string parameter:

```
#(define frac 1/12)    #(add-dynamics 'vlDyn "(5 frac) f / (5 (* 2 frac) p") ; '(5 1/12) and '(5 2/12)
```

- Dynamics within a \grace section require, on the other hand, a particular syntax.

To indicate them within the code, we will use the character: (colon), immediately followed by the duration (8 16 ...) of the skip "carrying" eventually the dynamic within the section \grace.

```
"p:8" will result in { \grace { s8\p } <> }
":16 mf:16" will result in { \grace { s16 \s16\mf } <> }
"<:16 :16*2 f" will result in { \grace { s16\< s16*2 } <>\f }
```

⁸ There are 12 triplet 8th notes in a whole note.

The character # for dynamic position tweaks may be used in conjunction, but it must be placed after (and without spaces in) the \grace section

"mf:8#1" will result in { \grace { s8-\tweak self-alignment-X #1 \mf } <> }

$\underline{\text{Exemple}}$:

```
#(begin
                  ; dynamics in a \grace section
(def! '(dyn1 dyn2 dyn3)); dedicated voices s1*...
                          ; a simple cresc
(add-dynamics 'dyn1
  "1 p / (1 2) <:16 :16*2 f")
(add-dynamics 'dyn2
                    ; dynamics without tweaks
  "1 p / (1 2) :16 mp:16 mf:16 f")
(add-dynamics 'dyn3
                    ; dynamics with tweaks
  "1 p / (1 2) :16 mp:16#1.3#-1.2
                   mf:16#0#-0.6
                   f#-0.2#-0.6"))
\score { <<
     \new Staff $(sim global instru1 dyn1)
     \new Staff $(sim global instru2 dyn2)
     \new Staff $(sim global instru3 dyn3)
   >> }
```



- In case a \grace section is the 2^{nd} parameter of a \arrange command, a special syntax is required for the 1^{st} parameter ("the main note").

It will suffice, here, to precede the \grace section with the rhythmic value of the 1st parameter, which will be marked with a double character ::

```
\afterGrace s4\f { s16\p s }
```

f::4 p:16:16 ← the possible nuance before :: the rhythmic value after The optional fraction of the \afterGrace command is obtained as follows:

```
\afterGrace 15/16 s4\f { s16\p s } f::4:15:16 p:16:16
```

We will make sure to match the fraction of the music and the nuances.

EXAMPLE:

The following functions, assoc-pos-dyn, extract-pos-dyn-str, instru-pos-dyn->music and add-dyn, are attempts to further simplify the management of dynamics, in particular by avoiding 1) the redundant informations to provide for instruments having the same dynamics at the same moments, and 2) to solve the problem of duplicate dynamics when, in orchestral scores, 2 instruments shares the same staff.

✓ THE FUNCTION ASSOC-POS-DYN

> syntax: (assoc-pos-dyn pos-dyn-str1 instru1 / pos-dyn-str2 instru2 /...)

The pos-dyn-strs are strings as defined in the above add-dynamics function.

instru is either a single instrument or a list of instruments.

The function returns an associated-list consisting of pairs '(pos-dyn-str . instru).

The slashes / are optional.

EXAMPLE:

```
vls = #'(vlI vlII)
horns = #'(hornI ... hornIV)
all = #'(fl oboe cl ...)
assocDynList = #(assoc-pos-dyn
   "1 p" 'hornI / "5 mf" vls / "25 f / (31 4) < " horns /
   "33 ff / 35 decresc / 38 mf" all ...)</pre>
```

Dynamics for a single instrument, can then be extracted by setting assocDynList as last parameter of the 2 functions extract-pos-dyn-str or instru-pos-dyn->music.

Finally, please note that a string like "1 f / 3 mf / 5 p" can also be entered as a list: '("1 f" "3 mf" "5 p"). The addendum 3 page 41 shows a use of this automatic formatting.

✓ THE FUNCTION EXTRACT-POS-DYN-STR

 $\triangleright syntax:$ (extract-pos-dyn-str extract-code assoc-pos-dyn-list)

assoc-pos-dyn-list is the association list created with the assoc-pos-dyn function above. The function extract-pos-dyn-str returns a *pos-dyn-str*, as defined in add-dynamics. It is the concatanation of all *pos-dyn-str*s whose associated *instruments* return "true" to the extract-code predicate.

Here's how the extract-code predicate works:

- extract-code is either a single instrument, or a list of instruments with one of the following three logical operators as the first element: 'or 'and 'xor

For a single instrument, extract-code returns "true" when the list of instruments associated with a particular pos-dyn-str, contains this instrument.

For 2 instruments, it depends on the operator:

| extract-code | associated list |
|--------------|-------------------------------|
| 'a | contains 'a |
| '(and a b) | contains 'a <u>and</u> 'b |
| '(or a b) | contains 'a <u>or</u> 'b |
| '(xor a b) | contains 'a but <u>not</u> 'b |

Example:

```
horns = #'(hornI hornII hornIII)
assocDynList = #(assoc-pos-dyn
    "1 p" 'hornI / "5 mf <" '(hornI hornII) / "6 ff > / 7 !" horns)
%% Simple extraction
#(extract-pos-dyn-str 'hornIII assocDynList)
   => "6 ff > / 7 !"
%% Extraction with operator
#(instru-pos-dyn-str '(or hornI hornII) assocDynList)
   => "1 p / 5 mf < / 6 ff > / 7 !"
#(instru-pos-dyn-str '(xor hornI hornII) assocDynList)
   => "1 p"
#(instru-pos-dyn-str '(and hornI hornII) assocDynList)
   => "5 mf < / 6 ff > / 7 !"
```

- More than 2 items to an operator are allowed. The third element is combined with the result of the operation of the first two.

```
'(and a b c) = '(and (and a b) c)
```

- A list of *instruments* can be made up of sub-lists. If a sub-list does not begin with an operator, its items are copied to the higher-level list.

✓ THE FUNCTION INSTRU-POS-DYN->MUSIC

```
> syntax: (instru-pos-dyn->music extract-code assoc-pos-dyn-list)
```

Same as extract-pos-dyn-str above, but the return string is converted using add-dynamics, into a music in the form:

```
{ <>\p s1*4 <>\mf s1*29 <>\ff }
```

✓ THE FUNCTION ADD-DYN

```
> syntax: |(add-dyn extract-code)
```

(add-dyn extract-code) is a macro (shortcut) of the function instru-pos-dyn->music above, which avoids specifying the last parameter assoc-pos-dyn-list. It is defined as follows:

```
#(define-macro (add-dyn extract-code)
```

(instru-pos-dyn->music ,extract-code assocDynList))

So this macro will only work if you have defined an assocDynList variable:

assocDynList = #(assoc-pos-dyn...)

Additional informations on assocDynList is provided page 41 in the addendum 3.

Managing tempo indications, keys and marks

The following functions are used in the addendum I about \global, page 38:

✓ THE FUNCTION METRONOME

 $\triangleright syntax:$ [(metronome mvt note x [txt [open-par [close-par]]])]

Returns an markup equivalent to that provided by the \tempo function.

- mvt is a markup indicating the movement of the piece. For example: "Allegro"
- note is a string representing a note value: "4." for a dotted fourth, "8" for a eigth...
- x represents either a metronomic tempo if x is an *integer*, or as for the previous argument, a *string* representing a note value. See the example of the tempos function below.
- Optionally, the txt argument allows to add, after the metronomic indication, a text such as "env" or "ca.".
- Using the arguments open-par and close-par, one can change (or delete, by putting "") the opening and closing parentheses surrounding the metronome indication.

✓ THE FUNCTION **TEMPOS**

```
\triangleright syntax: [tempos [obj] posA mvtA [spaceA] / posB mvtB [spaceB] / ...)
```

Insert in obj and at the position pos, the metronome indication \tempo txt.

Si obj is omitted, the indication is inserted in \global

If a space number is specified, the txt markup is moved horizontally by + or - space units to the right or left.

Slashes / are optional.

EXAMPLE:

```
(tempos 1 "Allegro" / 50 (metronome "Andante" "4" 69) /
     100 (metronome "Allegro" "4" "8") -2; will be moved 2 units to the left
     150 (markup #:column ("RONDO" (metronome "Allegro" "4." "4")))
```

✓ THE FUNCTION SIGNATURES

```
ightharpoonup syntax: [(signatures posA sig-strA [/] posB sig-strB ...)
```

Inserts rhythmic signatures in \global, at positions indicated by the pos arguments.

A signstr argument is made up of the arguments of a \time command (basically a time command).

A *sig-str* argument is made up of the arguments of a \time command (basically a fraction), placed between 2 quotation marks "...".

```
(signatures 1 "3/4"

10 "3,2 5/8"

20 "4/4")

⇒

(rm-with 'global 1 #{ \time 3/4 #}

10 #{ \time 3,2 5/8 #}

20 #{ \time 4/4 #})
```

Each group of arguments can be separated by a slash /.

```
✓ THE FUNCTION KEYS
```

Inserts \key commands in obj, at positions pos.

If obj is not specified, the command is inserted in \global

An argument key-mode-str, of type *string* "...", is made up of the same 2 arguments as for the function \key: 1st argument the tone, 2nd the mode.

The mode argument can be omitted. The default mode is \major.

The backslash \ before the mode is obtained either by doubling it (\major instead of \major), ... or by omitting it (major instead of \major).

Each group of arguments can be separated by a slash /.

✓ THE FUNCTION MARKS

```
ightharpoonup syntax:  [marks [obj] posA [/] posB [/] ...)
```

Inserts a \mark \default command at positions pos, in 'global or in obj if specified.

Manipulating lists

In addition to the basic functions cons and append of GUILE, we may need some of the following functions.

```
✓ THE FUNCTION LST (1st and also flat-1st)

▷ syntax: (lst obj1 [obj2...])
```

obj1, obj2... are instruments or list of instruments.

Return a list of all *instruments* given in parameters.

Example:

```
tps = #'(tpI tpII)
horns = #'(hornI hornII)
tbs = #'(tbI tbII)
brass = #(lst tps horns tbs 'tuba)
```

The last instruction is equivalent to:

```
brass = #'(tpI tpII hornI hornII tbI tbII tuba)
```

1st keeps the sub lists untouched.

With this instruction:

```
tps = #'(tpI (tpII tpIII))
```

the result would be:

```
brass = #'(tpI (tpII tpIII) hornI hornII tbI tbII tuba)
```

If this is not the expected result, we can use the function flat-lst (same syntax), which returns a list composed only of *instruments*, whatever the depth of the lists given in parameters.

```
✓ THE FUNCTION LST-DIFF
```

```
\triangleright syntax: (lst-diff mainlist . tosubstract)
```

Remove from mainlist the *instruments* specified in tosubstract. tosubstract is a sequence of *instruments* or lists of *instruments*.

\checkmark THE FUNCTION **ZIP**

```
> syntax : (zip x1 [x2...])
```

x1, x2... are standard lists (not circular, predicate proper-list?). The function redefines the function zip of GUILE, allowing the addition of all the elements of the biggest lists. The original function zip of GUILE has been renamed guile-zip.

Various functions

```
✓ THE FUNCTION SYM-APPEND
```

```
\triangleright syntax: ((sym-append sym [to-begin?]) instru[s]
```

Make a symbol name by adding the symbol sym to the end of an instrument name (suffix).

If to-begin? is set to #t, sym becomes a prefix (pasted at the beginning).

This function has to be applied to an *instrument* or a list of *instruments*.

By associating it to the function def! at page 13, one can automatically create musics of the form $\{s1*...\}$, with same length as the piece.

A typical use is putting all dynamics of an instrument in a separate voice:

In the separate parts or the score, we'll put:

```
\new Staff << \global \oboeI \oboeIDyn >>
\new Staff << \global \oboeII \oboeIIDyn >>
\new Staff << \global \clarinet \clarinetDyn >> ...
```

To lighten the \new Staff handwriting, one may want to push automation much further. This is done as an example by the instru->music function in addendum 2, page 39.

✓ THE FUNCTION SET-DEL-EVENTS

```
\triangleright syntax :  (set-del-events event-sym . args)
```

Deletes all events with the name⁹ event-sym

Several events can be specified, consecutively or as a list.

Thus, the list named dyn-list, defined in "chordsAndVoices.ly" as follows:

#(define dyn-list '(AbsoluteDynamicEvent CrescendoEvent DecrescendoEvent))

makes it possible, used with the set-del-events function, to erase all the dynamics of a portion of music and possibly to replace them by another:

```
#(let((del-dyn (set-del-events dyn-list))
  (apply-to 'trumpet del-dyn 8 12)
  (add-dynamics 'trumpet "8 p / 10 mp < / 11 mf"))</pre>
```

✓ THE FUNCTION N-COPY

```
\gt syntax: (n-copy n music)
```

or: (2nd equivalent form, to be used with apply-to)

 $\triangleright syntax : ((set-ncopy n) music)$

Copy music n times.

✓ THE FUNCTION **DEF-LETTERS**

```
\triangleright syntax: [(def-letters measures [index->string][start-index][show-infos?])]
```

The function associates letters with the bar numbers of the measures list. It is particularly suitable when Score.rehearsalMarkFormatter is of the form:

```
#format-mark-[...]-letters.
```

The following 3 parameters for measures are optional and differ only in their type.

index->string is a callback function returning a *string*, and taking an *index* as parameter (a positive integer). The index is incremented by 1 with each call, starting with the value of the start-index parameter (0 if start-index is not specified).

By default, index->string is the internal function index->string-letters that returns the corresponding capital letter(s) to their index in the alphabet, but skips the letter "I":

```
"A"..."H" then "J"..."Z" then "AA"..."AH" then "AJ"..."AZ" etc...
```

The instruction: #(def-letters '(9 25 56 75 88 106)) gives the following matches:

```
A \Rightarrow measure 9 (+ A 2) \Rightarrow measure 11

B \Rightarrow measure 25 '(A 4 8) \Rightarrow <error>

F \Rightarrow measure 106 '(,A 4 8) \Rightarrow position '(9 4 8)

G \Rightarrow <error> (list (+ A 2) 4 8) \Rightarrow position '(11 4 8)
```

If a letter was already defined before calling def-letters, the function prepends the character "_" to the letter. This is especially necessary for letters X and Y, which have 0 and 1 as associated value in *Lilypond*. These 2 letters will thus become *always* _X and _Y. A message will warn the user of the change, except if we include #f in the options (parameter show-infos?):

```
#(def-letters '(9 25 ...) #f)
```

⁹ An event name begins with a capital letter and ends with "Event". Example: 'SlurEvent

Compiling a score section



 $\triangleright syntax:$ (show-score from-pos to-pos)

Insert in \global, \set Score.skipTypesetting = ##t or ##f, in order to compile (and show) the music of the score, only between the positions from-pos and to-pos (useful for large scores).

Exporting your instruments

✓ THE FUNCTION **EXPORT-INSTRUMENTS**

> syntax: (export-instruments instruments filename #:optional overwrite?)

instruments is the *instruments* list to export.

filename is the filename of the current path, in which the export will be carried out.

The function produces a classic *ly* file with statements of the form:

instrument-name = { music ... }

(Notes will be written in absolute mode).

If filename already exists, the instrument definitions will be added at the end of the file, unless overwrite? is set to #t: the old version is then deleted!

This function is still in an experimental state! Proceed with caution.

In the current state of the function, a line break occurs after each measure.

However, some events, such as multi-measure silences, are not split into multiple measures: R1*5 remains R1*5 and not $\{R1\ R1\ R1\ R1\ R1\}$.

For a simultaneous music <<...>>, the line break is made for each element and with an indentation.

Sequential musics are mixed as much as possible into each other to minimise the resulting code.

-ADDENDUM I-BUILDING \global WITH "arranger.ly"

\global is generally rather tiresome to enter because you have to calculate "by hand" the duration that separates 2 events (between 2 \mark\default for example).

Here's how "arranger.ly" can make the encoding easier, on a 70 bars piece, containing measure changes, key changes, tempos etc...

```
global = { s1*1000 }
                                            %% a long length is provided
#(init '())
                                            %% Instruments list initially empty =>
      \% the positions take into account previous timing insertions.
      %% ( \global is re-analysed each time. )
#(begin
                                             ;; Builds \global
(signatures 1 "3/4" 10 "5/8" 20 "4/4") ;; First, time signatures
(cut-end 'global 70)
                                             ;; Cuts what's beyond
(keys 1 "d minor" 20 "bes major" 30 "d major") ;; Key signatures
                                             ;; Tempo indications
(tempos
   1 (metronome "Allegro" "4" 120) /
  10 (metronome "" "8" "8") 2 /
                                             ;; 2 unit shift to the right
  20 (metronome "Allargando" "4" "4.") 2.5 /
  30 "Piu mosso" -4 /
  60 (markup #:column ("FINAL" (metronome "Allegro vivo" "4" 200))))
(marks 10 20 30 40 50 60)
                                             ;; Marks
(x-rm 'global (bar "||") 20 30 60)
                                             ;; Bars (\bar )
(rm-with 'global 1 markLengthOn
                                             ;; Miscellaneous
                   70 (bar "|."))
                                            ;; ...the final touch
)
                                                %% End \global
%% The list of instruments can now be initialized.
#(init '(test)) %% List not empty = fixed metric: any new timing event will be ignored
\layout {
  \context { \Score
    skipBars = ##t
    \override MultiMeasureRest.expand-limit = #1
    rehearsalMarkFormatter = #format-mark-box-letters
  }
}
\new Staff { << \global \test >> }
          Allegro ( = 120)
                                                                    10
                                9
   \mathbf{B} Allargando (\mathbf{J}_{=}\mathbf{J}_{-})
                            10
                                                          Piu mosso
                                                                        10
                                                                  FINAL
                                                                  Allegro vivo (=200)
                                \mathbf{E}
                                                             \mathbf{F}
                 10
                                              10
                                                                         10
                                   Example 10
```

-ADDENDUM II-GETTING ORGANIZED

Here are some ideas for organisation when creating an arrangement for a large orchestral ensemble. Some functions are suggested here, but please note that they are *not* part of arranger.ly. Their définitions have been copied in the file: addendum-functions.ly in the arrangerDoc-sources directory of arranger.ly project.

\rightarrow Files structure

| files | usage | \include |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| init.ily | <pre>global = {} and (init all)</pre> | "arranger.ly" |
| NOTES.ily | instruments filling | "init.ily" and at end of file: "dynamics.ily" |
| dynamics.ily | assocDynList = | - |
| SCORE.ly | the main score | "NOTES.ily" |
| parts/instru.ly | separate parts | "/NOTES.ily" |

\rightarrow Instrument in separate part vs. instrument in main score.

You may want some of the settings of an instrument to vary when it is edited in a separate part, or in a score. Here's how to get conditional source code.

You can place, at the head of each separate parts, the following instruction:

```
\#(\text{define part 'instru}) ;; the name of the instrument (a symbol) and at the head of the score:
```

```
#(define part 'score)
```

Then add, in the *init.ily* file for example, the following function part? :

The instruction (if (part? 'instru) val1 val2), or (if (part? '(instruI instruII)) val1 val2), can then be used in the code.

In the following example, the text will be left-aligned in the score and right-aligned in the euphonium part: (rm 'euph 5 (txt "Bring out !" UP (if (part? 'score) LEFT RIGHT)))

→ Separate parts: a instru->music function

Prerequisite: having assocDynList be defined (in file dynamics.ily)

instru->music uses obj->music, a function returning the music associated with an instrument 10, and the function make-clef-set (defined in scm/parser-clef.scm file, in the *Lilypond* directory): make-clef-set is the scheme equivalent of the \clef command.

Separate parts in treble clef can be edited simply with:

```
\new Staff { $(instru->music 'vlI) }
```

The other parts will have to specify the key:

```
\new Staff { $(instru->music 'viola "alto") } ;; alto clef
\new Staff { $(instru->music 'vlc "bass") } ;; bass clef
```

Note that if you have put #(define part 'instru) at the head of the file, as explained in the previous paragraph, you can replace the instrument name with the word part:

```
\new Staff { $(instru->music part [clef]) }
```

^{10 (}obj->music 'clar) returns clar

\rightarrow Main score: dealing with 2 instruments in a same staff

The function below helps to avoid duplicate dynamics. It puts in one copy, the common dynamics at the bottom of the staff; only dynamics belonging only to the upper voice will be above the staff.

```
#(define* (split-instru instru1 instru2 #:optional (clef "treble"))
       (split
                                   ; << ... \\ ... >>
                                   ; << ... >>
          (sim
             (make-clef-set clef)
             global
             dynamicUp
                            ; dynamics direction UP
             (add-dyn (list 'xor instru1 instru2))
             (obj->music instru1))
          (sim
             (add-dyn instru2)
             (obj->music instru2))))
    \new Staff { $(split-instru 'clarI 'clarII) }
For a score with 3 horns for example, instru->music and split-instru can be used:
    \new StaffGroup <<</pre>
      \new Staff \with { instumentName = #"horn 1" }
                      $(instru->music 'hornI)
      \new Staff \with { instumentName =
                                  \markup \vcenter {"horn " \column { 2 3 }}}
                      $(split-instru 'hornII 'hornIII) >>
Instead of split-instru, a part-combine-instru function may be preferred.
   #(define* (part-combine-instru instru1 instru2 #:optional (clef "treble"))
       (sim
         (make-clef-set clef)
         global
         (part-combine
                                        ; \partCombine
           (sim
                                        ; upper voice
             ; partCombineApart
                                     ; working mode
             partCombineAutomatic
                                        ; default mode
             dynamicUp
                                        ; dynamics direction UP
             (add-dyn (list 'xor instru1 instru2))
             (obj->music instru1))
           (obj->music instru2))
                                        ; lower voice
         (add-dyn instru2)))
A staff using this function will be easily tweak-able. Supposing that this staff is shared by
clarinets 2 and 3, you can add the following code in SCORE.ly (not in NOTES.ily):
   #(begin ;; partCombine settings for staff cl2-cl3
       (x-rm 'cl2 partCombineApart 60 '(82 3/8) 129)
       (x-rm 'cl2 partCombineChords 85)
       (x-rm 'cl2 partCombineAutomatic 61 86 138)
       ...)
```

Warnings: partCombineApart, partCombineChords, partCombineAutomatic... are the new names in the most recent Lilypond versions. For Lilypond 2.20, you must use instead: partcombineApart, partcombineChords, partcombineAutomatic...

-ADDENDUM III-USING ASSOCDYNLIST

- Adding customized dynamics :

- Remove a dynamic and replace it with another:

In the above example, if we want to put ff bar 12 in the trumpet part instead of fff, we must first cancel the previous dynamic with an "empty" one, otherwise Lilypond will output an error: 2 dynamics at same place.

- To reduce the number of dynamics in a score (for example when there is a large orchestral crescendo, containing "cresc - - -" in each instrument), one can use the part? function described in addendum II above, so that the suppression is only effective in the score and not in separate parts.

```
#(if (part? 'score) ; the score is lightened bar 15 and 18
   (set! assocDynList (append assocDynList (assoc-pos-dyn
        "15 / 18" '( [list of instruments from which the dynamics are to be removed] )))))
```

- Positions can be defined by variables (see def-letters function page 36) and they can be used in assocDynList without worrying about the characters '` or , which are usually put in front of lists and symbols.

- The addition of dynamics can be automated through the creation of a set-dyn function¹¹:

The fmt parameter is a string that can contain escape sequences specific to the format scheme function. Thus, for example, each apparition of ~a in fmt, will be successively replaced by the parameter arg0, arg1, arg2 ..., previously converted into a character string. Here are a few possible uses.

¹¹ Caution, despite its name, this function is *not* compatible apply-to

→ Copying the same dynamic in several places

```
(map (set-dyn "(~a 4 8) f") '(13 28 42 55))
```

This instruction returns a list of strings. So, to be able to include it as an argument of <code>assoc-pos-dyn</code>, it would be in theory necessary to group together each element of the resulting list into one string, with a slash / as separator. In practice, <code>assoc-pos-dyn</code> avoids this work, by performing this formatting itself when an argument is a list.

The following instruction:

However, the same result can be obtained by using only the escape sequences of the format function:

```
((set-dyn "~0{~}" "(~a 4 8) f~^ / ") 13 28 42 55)
```

The $\sim 0{\sim}$ sequence allows the following instruction to loop until the parameters are exhausted, and the \sim sequence does not add the slash / when the last parameter is reached.

It is then easy to automate things by a function x-dyn for example:

```
#(define (x-dyn fmt) (set-dyn "~@{~}" (string-append fmt "~^ / ")))
The use of this function is basic:
    ((x-dyn "(~a 4 8) f") 13 28 42 55)
```

 \rightarrow Copying a group of dynamics remaining within the same measure

An additional escape sequence ~:* is used here to return to the previous parameter.

The same 'pattern' fmt <> can also be used with the previous x-dyn function. The result will be identical but the syntax will be slightly different

```
#(define dyn<> (x-dyn fmt<>))
assocDynList = #(assoc-pos-dyn
  (dyn<> 45) '(instru1 instru2)
  (dyn<> 47 49) 'instru3
  ...)
```

...)

→ Copying a group of dynamics spanning several measures

A slash / has been added here to separate the arguments into groups of 3:

```
#(define dyn<> (x-dyn "~a < / ~a > / ~a !"))
assocDynList = #(assoc-pos-dyn
  (dyn<> 1 7 10 / '(11 4) '(13 8 16) '(17 8))) 'instru
  ...)
```

The code results in:

```
assocDynList = #(assoc-pos-dyn
"1 < / 7 > / 10 ! / (11 4) < / (13 8 16) > / (17 8) !" 'instru
...)
```

The definition of dyn<> creating hairpins is here the most generic possible.

However, if in a piece, sequences of nuances are separated each time, by an identical number of bars (for example, a crescendo < followed, 2 bars later, by a decrescendo > ending at a $3^{\rm rd}$ bar), the use of the following function may be judicious:

```
#(define (bar-offset bar-numbers offsets)
       "(bar-offset '(b1 b2...bi) '(o1 o2 ...oj)) renvoie la liste :
         b1 + o1, b1 + o2,...b1 + o1, b2 + o1, b2 + o2,...b2 + o1... bi + o1"
      (fold-right
        (lambda(b prev1)
          (fold-right
            (lambda(o prev2) (cons (+ b o) prev2))
            prev1
            offsets))
        '()
        bar-numbers))
It will be possible then to define a dyn<> function with:
   #(define (dyn<> . bar-nums )
       (apply (x-dyn "~a < / (~a 8) > / (~a 4 16) !")
              (bar-offset bar-nums '(0 2 3))))
Inside a assocDynList code, this simple line:
    "(map dyn<> '(5 11 20))" 'instru
will be equivalent to all this code:
   "5 < / (7 8) > / (8 4 16) ! /
    11 < / (13 8) > / (14 4 16) ! /
    20 < / (22 8) > / (23 4 16) !" 'instru
```

- On a large project, the definition of assocDynList can be quite large, and the definitions of our functions can be quite distant in the file from where they are used in assocDynList. It is nevertheless possible to define objects within the arguments of the assoc-pos-dyn function, by the following macro def-dyn:

Other macros can be defined but like def-dyn, they must all have as return value, the function scheme / (division of numbers). assoc-pos-dyn indeed, automatically removes such an element from the list given as argument.

The following 2 macros def-dyn+txt and def-txt+dyn allow you to create a compound dynamic such as p sub or molto f.

They take 2 arguments of type *string*. The dynamic name is concatenated from these 2 arguments: psub and moltof for example.

The macro def-span-dyn here allows to create dynamics with extender lines. The 1^{st} argument of type symbol is used to define the name of the new dynamic. The 2^{nd} argument of type $character\ string$ is the text to be engraved by the dynamic. If the 1^{st} argument is omitted, the dynamic name is formed from the string, keeping only the letters in it.

```
% pre-function
#(define (def-span-dyn-generic sym txt)
     (ly:parser-define! sym (make-music 'CrescendoEvent
       'span-direction START 'span-type 'text 'span-text txt))
    /)
% the macro
#(define-macro (def-span-dyn txt . args)
`(if (and (pair? (list ,@args)) (symbol? ,txt))
   (apply def-span-dyn-generic (list ,txt ,@args))
   (let ((sym (string->symbol (string-filter ,txt char-set:letter))))
     (def-span-dyn-generic sym ,txt))))
                          global = s1*3
music = { \repeat unfold 16 c8 c1 }
#(init '(instru))
#(rm 'instru 1 (rel 1 music))
assocDynList = #(assoc-pos-dyn
  (def-span-dyn 'crescspace " ")
  (def-span-dyn "cresc. molto")
    "1 pp crescspace / 2 crescmolto / 3 ff" 'instru
)
\new Staff $(sim global instru (add-dyn 'instru))
```



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