

# A Field Theory of Musical Harmony

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## Abstract

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## 1 Introduction

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## 2 Words

1. Consonance and brilliance are not different phenomena but two aspects of the same thing.
2. Brilliance is the musical property of a pitch that causes it to experience a force when placed in a harmonic field. Brilliance can be major or minor. Like pitches attract each other and unlike pitches repel each other. An object with an absence of brilliance is referred to as neutral.

## 3 Results

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## 5 Equations

### 5.1 Harmonostatics

$$\boldsymbol{H} = \nabla \phi \quad (1)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{H} = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \times \boldsymbol{H} = 0 \quad (3)$$

prove that solutions to these equations obey superposition

### 5.2 Special Solution for 12 Just Intonation Tuning

$$\phi = a_o a_\tau + \Omega \quad (4)$$

$$\boldsymbol{H} = \eta(\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}, \theta) \nabla \phi \quad (5)$$

$$\boldsymbol{H} = (C\hat{\boldsymbol{c}} + B\hat{\boldsymbol{b}}) \cos(\theta) \quad (6)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{H} = \eta(\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}, \theta) \nabla^2 \phi = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$B = \frac{\beta}{C - \sqrt[\Delta]{C_{max}}}, \quad \beta = \{-1, 0, 1\} \quad (8)$$

$$C_I = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \in I} \sum_{j \in I} C_{|i-j|} \quad (9)$$

$$B_I = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \in I} \sum_{j \in I} \frac{B_i + B_j}{2} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i \in I} B_i \quad (10)$$

where  $I$  is the set of intervals of a chord or scale.

$$N = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} \quad (11)$$

78 for chromatic 28 for 8 note scale, 21 for 7 note scale, 6 for 4-note chord 3 for 3-note chord

$$W = - \int_a^b \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{s} = \phi(b) - \phi(a) \quad (12)$$

$$W = (|\mathbf{H}_i| - |\mathbf{H}_\tau|) s \quad (13)$$

Equations in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X can either be inline or on-a-line by itself (“display equations”). For inline equations use the `$...$` commands. E.g.: The equation  $H\psi = E\psi$  is written via the command `$H \psi = E \psi$`.

$$\begin{aligned} D_\mu &= \partial_\mu - ig \frac{\lambda^a}{2} A_\mu^a \\ F_{\mu\nu}^a &= \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + gf^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^a \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Notice the use of `\nonumber` in the align environment at the end of each line, except the last, so as not to produce equation numbers on lines where no equation numbers are required. The `\label{}` command should only be used at the last line of an align environment where `\nonumber` is not used.

$$Y_\infty = \left(\frac{m}{\text{GeV}}\right)^{-3} \left[1 + \frac{3 \ln(m/\text{GeV})}{15} + \frac{\ln(c_2/5)}{15}\right] \quad (15)$$

The class file also supports the use of `\mathbb{b}`, `\mathscr` and `\mathcal` commands. As such `\mathbb{b}{R}`, `\mathscr{R}` and `\mathcal{R}` produces  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathscr{R}$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  respectively (refer Subsubsection 4.1.1).

## 6 Tables

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**Table 1** Interval-Tonic Affinity

$\tau$ <sup>1</sup>	Name	Ratio <sup>2</sup>	Affinity
0	Tonic	1 : 1	16
1	Minor 2nd	16 : 15	0
2	Major 2nd	9 : 8	4
3	Minor 3rd	6 : 5	6
4	Major 3rd	5 : 4	7
5	Perfect 4th	4 : 3	9
6	Tritone <sup>3</sup>	$\sqrt{2}$ : 1	3
7	Perfect 5th	3 : 2	11
8	Minor 6th	8 : 5	5
9	Major 6th	5 : 3	8
10	Minor 7th	16 : 9	2
11	Major 7th	15 : 8	2
12	Octave	2 : 1	14

<sup>1</sup>Semitones from the tonic,  $\tau$ .

<sup>2</sup>Frequency ratio with respect to the tonic as *interval* : *tonic*.

<sup>3</sup>For tritone ratio and affinity, see the methods section.

## 7 Figures

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\begin{figure}[<placement-specifier>]
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\includegraphics{<eps-file>}
\caption{<figure-caption>}\label{<figure-label>}
\end{figure}
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In case of double column layout, the above format puts figure caption-/images to single column width. To get spanned images, we need to provide `\begin{figure*} ... \end{figure*}`.

For sample purpose, we have included the width of images in the optional argument of `\includegraphics` tag. Please ignore this.

## 8 Algorithms, Program codes and Listings

Packages `algorithm`, `algorithmicx` and `algpseudocode` are used for setting algorithms in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X using the format:

**Table 2** Interval-Octave Affinity

$o$ <sup>1</sup>	Name	Ratio <sup>2</sup>	Affinity
$\bar{0}$	Octave	1 : 1	16
$\bar{1}$	Major 7th	15 : 16	2
$\bar{2}$	Minor 7th	8 : 9	2
$\bar{3}$	Major 6th	5 : 6	8
$\bar{4}$	Minor 6th	4 : 5	5
$\bar{5}$	Perfect 5th	3 : 4	11
$\bar{6}$	Tritone <sup>3</sup>	1 : $\sqrt{2}$	3
$\bar{7}$	Perfect 4th	2 : 3	9
$\bar{8}$	Major 3rd	5 : 8	7
$\bar{9}$	Minor 3rd	3 : 5	6
$\bar{10}$	Major 2nd	9 : 16	4
$\bar{11}$	Minor 2nd	8 : 15	0
$\bar{12}$	Tonic	1 : 2	14

<sup>1</sup>Semitones from the octave,  $o$ .

<sup>2</sup>Frequency ratio with respect to the octave as *interval : octave*.

<sup>3</sup>For tritone ratio and affinity, see the methods section.

**Table 3** Example of a lengthy table which is set to full textwidth

Project	Element 1 <sup>1</sup>			Element 2 <sup>2</sup>		
	Energy	$\sigma_{calc}$	$\sigma_{expt}$	Energy	$\sigma_{calc}$	$\sigma_{expt}$
Element 3	990 A	1168	$1547 \pm 12$	780 A	1166	$1239 \pm 100$
Element 4	500 A	961	$922 \pm 10$	900 A	1268	$1092 \pm 40$

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<sup>1</sup>Example for a first table footnote.

<sup>2</sup>Example for a second table footnote.

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\begin{algorithmic}[1]
. . .
\end{algorithmic}
\end{algorithm}

```

You may refer above listed package documentations for more details before setting `algorithm` environment. For program codes, the “program” package is required and the command to be used is `\begin{program}` ... `\end{program}`. A fast exponentiation procedure:

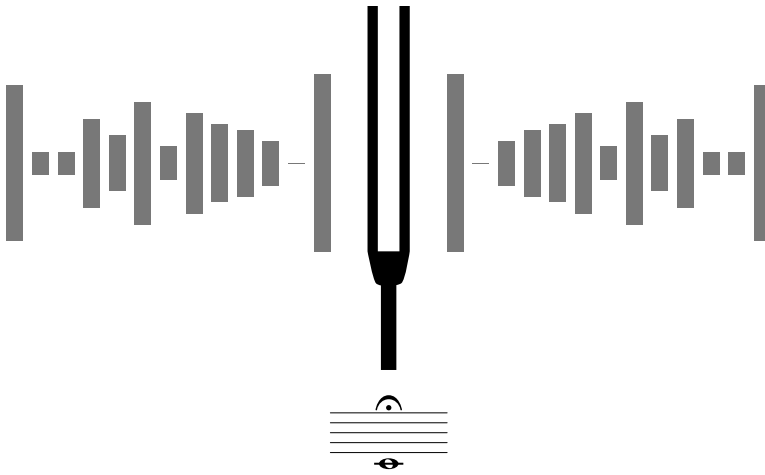
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begin
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**Table 4** Tables which are too long to fit, should be written using the “sidewaystable” environment as shown here

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	Energy	$\sigma_{calc}$	Energy	$\sigma_{expt}$
Element 3	990 A	1168	780 A	1239 $\pm$ 100
Element 4	500 A	961	900 A	1092 $\pm$ 40
Element 5	990 A	1168	780 A	1239 $\pm$ 100
Element 6	500 A	961	900 A	1092 $\pm$ 40

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<sup>1</sup>This is an example of table footnote.



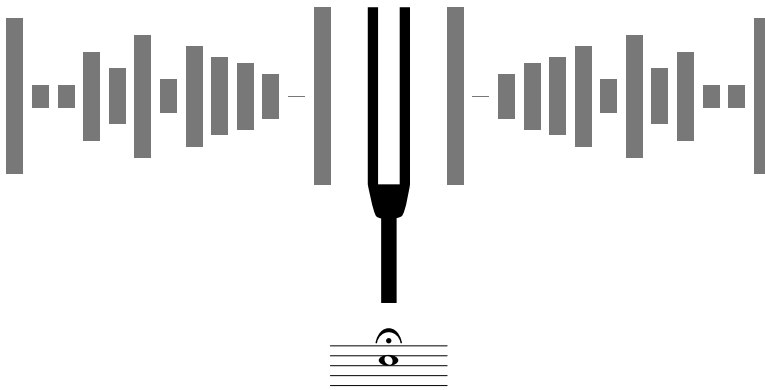
**Fig. 1** This is a widefig. This is an example of long caption this is an example of long caption this is an example of long caption this is an example of long caption

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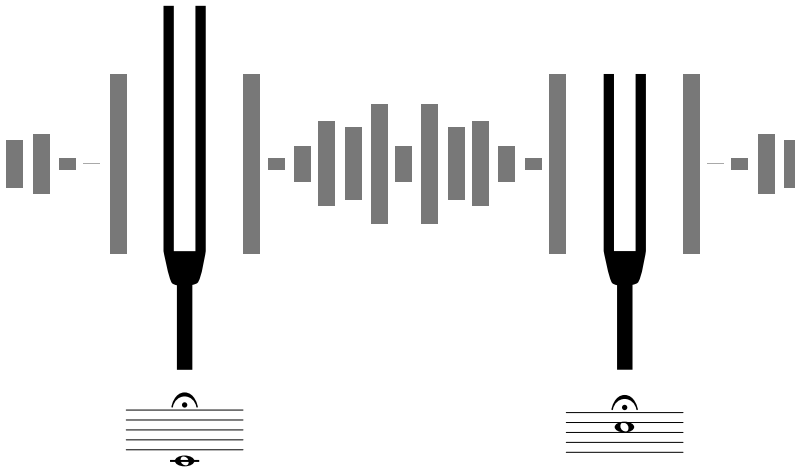
for  $i := 1$  to 10 step 1 do
  expt(2,  $i$ );
  newline() od           Comments will be set flush to the right margin
where
proc expt( $x, n$ )  $\equiv$ 
   $z := 1$ ;
  do if  $n = 0$  then exit fi;
  do if odd( $n$ ) then exit fi;
    comment: This is a comment statement;
     $n := n/2$ ;  $x := x * x$  od;
  { $n > 0$ };
   $n := n - 1$ ;  $z := z * x$  od;
  print( $z$ );
end

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Similarly, for `listings`, use the `listings` package. `\begin{lstlisting}` ... `\end{lstlisting}` is used to set environments similar to `verbatim` environment. Refer to the `lstlisting` package documentation for more details.



**Fig. 2** This is a widefig. This is an example of long caption this is an example of long caption this is an example of long caption this is an example of long caption



**Fig. 3** A tonic-octave musical harmony field created by two pitches 12 semitones apart.

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for i:=maxint to 0 do
begin
{ do nothing }
end;
Write('Case_insensitive');
Write('Pascal_keywords.');
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**Algorithm 1** Calculate  $y = x^n$ **Require:**  $n \geq 0 \vee x \neq 0$ **Ensure:**  $y = x^n$ 


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1:  $y \leftarrow 1$ 
2: if  $n < 0$  then
3:    $X \leftarrow 1/x$ 
4:    $N \leftarrow -n$ 
5: else
6:    $X \leftarrow x$ 
7:    $N \leftarrow n$ 
8: end if
9: while  $N \neq 0$  do
10:  if  $N$  is even then
11:     $X \leftarrow X \times X$ 
12:     $N \leftarrow N/2$ 
13:  else [ $N$  is odd]
14:     $y \leftarrow y \times X$ 
15:     $N \leftarrow N - 1$ 
16:  end if
17: end while

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## 9 Cross referencing

Environments such as figure, table, equation and align can have a label declared via the `\label{#label}` command. For figures and table environments use the `\label{}` command inside or just below the `\caption{}` command. You can then use the `\ref{#label}` command to cross-reference them. As an example, consider the label declared for Figure ?? which is `\label{fig1}`. To cross-reference it, use the command `Figure \ref{fig1}`, for which it comes up as “Figure ??”.

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All cited bib entries are printed at the end of this article: [? ], [? ], [? ], [? ], [? ], [? ], [? ], [? ], [? ] and [? ].

## 10 Examples for theorem like environments

For theorem like environments, we require `amsthm` package. There are three types of predefined theorem styles exists—`thmstyleone`, `thmstyletwo` and `thmstylethree`

<code>thmstyleone</code>	Numbered, theorem head in bold font and theorem text in italic style
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<code>thmstylethree</code>	Numbered, theorem head in bold font and theorem text in roman style

For a quote environment, use `\begin{quote}...\end{quote}`

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## 12 Western Tradition

1. nearest neighbor symmetry versus tonic-octave symmetry around the 2nds, 3rds, 6ths and 7ths (is there a curve on the plot?)

## 13 Emergence of Diatonic

1. tonic bias pleasantness gives ionian and mixolydian
2. octave bias pleasantness gives phrygian and aeolian
3. tonic-octave consonance gives dorian
4. tonic-octave brilliance gives lydian and locrian

## 14 Locrian the Sublime

A composer of the Western, tonic (and therefore major) biased tradition, when confronted with Locrian mode, will ask, “Where’s the Perfect Fifth? Where’s the Major 7th? Without the perfect 5th how will my chords will be consonant and my cadences strong?” If the composer were to frame those questions in a slightly different way the sense of doom would disappear. How?



**Fig. 4** Locrian mode with no perfect fifth and no major seventh.

We know from equation the consonance is the same when regardless of the ordering of the numerator and denominator of the frequency ratio. We also know from equation that the potential energy of cadences is a function of the absolute value of the distance between the notes.

If the composer were to reframe the questions as, “Where’s the 3:2 or 2:3 interval? Where’s the +-8 interval?” then he would see that the Locrian mode is a fully capable and arguably the most sublime of all the modes for composition.

Include sheet music for Bach in Locrian.

Introduce the image of the piano with the mirror. With a mirror placed to the left of the home note then - with one exception, whatever the pianist plays, the mirror image pianist is playing the same piece perfectly well in

the reflected mode: Ionian-Phrygian, Mixolydian-Aeolian and Lydian-Locrian. The exception is Dorian. For Dorian mode, we must place the mirror directly in the center of the tritone.

Now show Bach's piece in all modes with sheet music first and then including piano roll.

## 15 Number Theory

1. consonance 1,3,6,10,15 are triangular numbers, other than 7 which is extremely brilliant
2. Pythagoras tetraktys of the decad (cite: James Tenney History of Consonance and Dissonance p. 12)
3. maybe point out that the reason major-minor emerges is that all the major-minor mirrors are exactly 2 apart?

## 16 General Solutions

1. Additional Octaves
2. Higher Prime Limits / Larger Range of Just Intonation Microtunings in One Octave
3. Frequency-based  $\phi$
4.  $\eta$  variations ... what does this mean? related to freq approach?
5.  $\rho > 0$  presence of other pitches
6. where's magnetism? does that come with harmonodynamics?

## 17 Conclusion

Many powerful music-theoretic ideas emerge from a tonic-bias model of musical harmony: pitch classes, chord inversions, the circle of fifths.

Yet a concept that does not formally emerge (but is informally known) is model for brilliance (brightness: major versus minor).

In our theory, any test pitch (with the exception of the tritone) that is introduced into the tonic-octave pitch field must take on a major-minor value.

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