Scale Workout Builder v1.0

User manual

Introduction

The Scale Workout Builder plugin is a MuseScore 3.0 plugin allowing to create scores for practising musical scales in various modes.

It is built on two concepts:

- · a set of patterns, made of the succession of different scale degrees,
- one or more root note on which the patterns will be applied.



Patterns builder

Let's define which patterns will be added to the new workout score.

For example, for practising Major Triads, patterns such as "1-M3-5", "5-M3-1", ... are useful.

"1-M3-5" means "Tonic, Majoir Third, Fifth" degrees of the scale.

For example, for practising the Dominant 7 scale, patterns such as "1-M3-5-m7", "1-5-M3-m7", ... are useful.

The pattern grid

A pattern is a succession of degrees to be played in sequence in the scale of the root notes.

For example, selecting the degrees "1-M3-2" for a F scale will lead to the following score:



The repeat options

Each pattern can be repeated in various ways, along either itself or a scale.

\times	No repetition	
Ç	Cycled mode	The pattern is repeated along itself. So the pattern "1-M3-5-6" over F repeated in this mode will produce: $\frac{1/M3/5/M6 - \mathrm{Cycled}}{\mathrm{F}}$
Ç	Reverse Cycled mode	Same as above by looping across the pattern in the reverse order
73	Triads up mode	The pattern is repeated for <u>every triad</u> of the scale defined in the <i>Scale</i> column. If no scale is defined, the plug-in will try to deduce it from the pattern. So the pattern "1-M3-2" over F repeated in this mode and a Dominant 7 scale will produce: 1/M3/2 - Triade up F7
3	Triads down mode	Same as above, but in reverse order
7	Diatonic up mode	The pattern is repeated for every degree of the scale defined in the <i>Scale</i> column. If no scale is defined, the plug-in will try to deduce it from the pattern.
7	Diatonic down mode	Same as above, but in reverse order

Tools

There are several tools to ease the creation of workout:

X	Clear the pattern
E	Copy the pattern
Ĉ	Paste into the pattern
<u> </u>	Reuse a previously saved pattern
<u>+</u>	Save the current pattern for later usage

Root notes

In order to generate a score, a workout, a set of patterns, must applied to at least one root note. The root notes can be order freely. Different presets are provided, such as "Chromatic", "By Fourths", ...

Example, the pattern "1-M3-5-8" repeated on a root notes scheme "By Fourth" will produce the following score:



Workout tools

There are several tools for manage the entire set of patterns.

These can be used to reproduce later on a workout for other root notes.

×	Clear the complete grid pattern
<u>↑</u>	Import a workout
<u>+</u>	Save a patterns definition as a new workout