

Modes of Common Scales

Part I – Modes of Major Scale

I. Major Scale

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

II. Dorian

chord: min7

intervals: 1 2 b3 4 5 6 b7 8

III. Phrygian

chord: min7

intervals: 1 b2 b3 4 5 b6 b7 8

IV. Lydian:

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 2 3 #4 5 6 7 8

V. Mixolydian

chord: 7

intervals: 1 2 3 4 5 6 b7 8

VI. Aeolian

chord: min7

intervals: 1 2 b3 4 5 b6 b7 8

VII. Locrian

chord: min7b5

intervals: 1 b2 b3 4 b5 b6 b7 8

Part II – Modes of Melodic Minor

I. Melodic Minor

chord: min(maj7)

intervals: 1 2 b3 4 5 6 7 8

II. Dorian b2 (or Phrygian Natural 6)

chord: min7

intervals: 1 b2 b3 4 5 6 b7 8

III. Lydian Augmented

chord: maj7#5

intervals: 1 2 3 #4 #5 6 7 8

IV. Lydian Dominant

chord: 7

intervals: 1 2 3 #4 5 6 b7 8

V. Mixolydian b6 (or Aeolian Dominant)

chord: 7

intervals: 1 2 3 4 5 b6 b7 8

VI. Locrian Natural 2 (or Aeolian b5)

chord: min7b5

intervals: 1 2 b3 4 b5 b6 b7 8

VII. Super Locrian (or Altered)

chord: min7b5

intervals: 1 b2 b3 b4 b5 b6 b7 8

Part III - Modes of Harmonic Minor

I. Harmonic Minor

chord: m(maj7)

intervals: 1 2 b3 4 5 b6 7 8

II. Locrian Natural 6 (or Dorian b2 b5)

chord: m7b5

intervals: 1 b2 b3 4 b5 6 b7 8

III. Ionian Augmented

chord: maj7#5

intervals: 1 2 3 4 #5 6 7 8

IV. Dorian #4

chord: m7

intervals: 1 2 b3 #4 5 6 b7 8

V. Phrygian Dominant (or Alhijaz)

chord: 7

intervals: 1 b2 3 4 5 b6 b7 8

VI. Lydian #2

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 #2 3 #4 5 6 7 8

VII. Ultralocrian (or Superlocrian bb7)

chord: dim7

intervals: 1 b2 b3 b4 b5 b6 bb7 8

Part IV - Modes of Harmonic Major

I. Harmonic Major

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 2 3 4 5 b6 7 8

II. Dorian b5

chord: m7b5

intervals: 1 2 b3 4 b5 6 b7 8

III. Phrygian b4

chord: m7

intervals: 1 b2 b3 b4 5 b6 b7 8

IV. Lydian b3 (or Lydian Diminished)

chord: m(maj7)

intervals: 1 2 b3 #4 5 6 7 8

V. Mixolydian b2

chord: 7

intervals: 1 b2 3 4 5 6 b7 8

VI. Lydian Augmented #2

chord: maj7#5

intervals: 1 #2 3 #4 #5 6 7 8

VII. Locrian bb7 (or Diminished b9)

chord: dim7

intervals: 1 b2 b3 4 b5 b6 bb7 8

Part V - Modes of Neapolitan Major

I. Neapolitan Major

chord: m(maj7)

intervals: 1 b2 b3 4 5 6 7 8

II. Leading Whole Tone

chord: maj7#5

intervals: 1 2 3 #4 #5 #6 7 8

III. Lydian Augmented Dominant

chord: 7#5

intervals: 1 2 3 #4 #5 6 b7 8

IV. Lydian Dominant b6

chord: 7

intervals: 1 2 3 #4 5 b6 b7 8

V. Major Locrian

chord: 7b5

intervals: 1 2 3 4 b5 b6 b7 8

VI. Half-Diminished b4

chord: m7b5

intervals: 1 2 b3 b4 b5 b6 b7 8

VII. Super-Locrian bb3

chord: 7#5 built off root whole step up, 3rd inversion

intervals: 1 b2 bb3 b4 b5 b6 b7 8

Part VI - Modes of Neapolitan Minor

I. Neapolitan Minor

chord: min(maj7)

intervals: 1 b2 b3 4 5 b6 7 8

II. Lydian #6

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 2 3 #4 5 #6 7 8

III. Mixolydian Augmented

chord: 7#5

intervals: 1 2 3 4 #5 6 b7 8

IV. Romani Minor (or Aeolian #4)

chord: m7

intervals: 1 2 b3 #4 5 b6 b7 8

V. Locrian Dominant

chord: 7b5

intervals: 1 b2 3 4 b5 b6 b7 8

VI. Ionian #2

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 #2 3 4 5 6 7 8

VII. Ultralocrian bb3

chord: 69(b5)

intervals: 1 b2 bb3 b4 b5 b6 bb7 8

Part VII - Modes of Hungarian Major

I. Hungarian Major

chord: 7

intervals: 1 #2 3 #4 5 6 b7 8

II. Ultralocrian bb6

chord: dim7

intervals: 1 b2 b3 b4 b5 bb6 bb7 8

III. Harmonic Minor b5

chord: min(maj7)b5

intervals: 1 2 b3 4 b5 b6 7 8

IV. Superlocrian Natural 6

chord: m7b5

intervals: 1 b2 b3 b4 b5 6 b7 8

V. Jazz Minor #5

chord: min(maj7)#5

intervals: 1 2 b3 4 #5 6 7 8

VI. Dorian b2 #4

chord: m7

intervals: 1 b2 b3 #4 5 6 b7 8

VII. Lydian Augmented #3

chord: maj7sus4(#5)

intervals: 1 2 #3 #4 #5 6 7 8

Part VIII - Double Harmonic Major

I. Double Harmonic Major

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 b2 3 4 5 b6 7 8

II. Lydian #2 #6

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 #2 3 #4 5 #6 7 8

III. Ultra-Phrygian

chord: m6

intervals: 1 b2 b3 b4 5 b6 bb7 8

IV. Double Harmonic Min / Hungarian Minor

chord: m(maj7)

intervals: 1 2 b3 #4 5 b6 7 8

V. Oriental

chord: 7b5

intervals: 1 b2 3 4 b5 6 b7 8

VI. Ionian #2 #5

chord: maj7#5

intervals: 1 #2 3 4 #5 6 7 8

VII. Locrian bb3 bb7

chord: 7, built from root whole step up, 3rd inversion

intervals: 1 b2 bb3 4 b5 b6 bb7 8

Part IX - Modes of Puravi Thaata

I. Puravi Thaata

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 b2 3 #4 5 b6 7 8

II.

chord: maj7sus4

intervals: 1 ##2 #3 #4 5 #6 7 8

III.

chord: m6

intervals: 1 2 b3 b4 5 b6 bb7 8

IV.

chord: 7#5, built from root whole step up, 3rd inversion

intervals: 1 b2 bb3 4 b5 bb6 b7 8

V.

chord: maj7b5

intervals: 1 b2 3 4 b5 6 7 8

VI.

chord: maj7#5

intervals: 1 #2 3 4 #5 #6 7 8

VII.

chord: 7sus, built from root whole step up, 3rd inv.

intervals: 1 b2 bb3 4 5 b6 bb7 8

Part X - Modes of Marva Thaata

I. Marva Thaata

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 b2 3 #4 5 6 7 8

II.

chord: min(add#4), built from root 4th up, 2nd inv.

intervals: 1 #2 #3 #4 #5 #6 7 8

III.

chord: m6

intervals: 1 2 b3 4 5 b6 bb7 8

IV.

chord: m7b5

intervals: 1 b2 b3 4 b5 bb6 b7 8

V.

chord: maj7b5

intervals: 1 2 3 4 b5 6 7 8

VI.

chord: m7

intervals: 1 2 b3 b4 5 6 b7 8

VII.

chord: 7sus2

intervals: 1 b2 bb3 4 5 b6 b7 8

Part XI - Modes of Todi Thaata

I. Todi Thaata

chord: min(maj7)

intervals: 1 b2 b3 #4 5 b6 7 8

II.

chord: maj7sus4

intervals: 1 2 #3 #4 5 #6 7 8

III.

chord: 7#5

intervals: 1 #2 3 4 #5 6 b7 8

IV.

chord: 7, built from root whole step up, 3rd inv.

intervals: 1 b2 bb3 bb4 b5 bb6 bb7 8

V.

chord: maj7b5

intervals: 1 b2 3 4 b5 b6 7 8

VI.

chord: maj7

intervals: 1 #2 3 4 5 #6 7 8

VII.

chord: 7sus, built from root whole step up, 3rd inv.

intervals: 1 b2 b3 4 5 b6 bb7 8