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Diminished Scales

3 diminished scales
x 4 tier levels =
12 keys

Diagram illustrating the diminished scale structure on a piano keyboard and its notation. The scale is shown on a staff with notes: B \flat , B, B \flat , B, B \flat , B, B \flat , B, B \flat , B, B \flat , B. Fingering numbers are: 1, b9, #9, 3, #11, 5, 13, b7. A box contains the interval patterns: $\frac{1}{2}, w$: C, E \flat , F \sharp , A and $w, \frac{1}{2}$: A \flat , E, G, B \flat .

Practice routine:

Practice routine notation showing a sequence of notes: B \flat , B, B \flat , B, B \flat , B, B \flat , B, B \flat , B, B \flat , B. Below this is a section labeled "Seconds" with an upward arrow, showing eighth-note runs in both ascending and descending directions.

Pattern: * could be used on C \flat 7, A \flat 7, F \sharp 7, E \flat 7
C \sharp o7, Eo7, Go7, B \flat o7

Musical notation showing the application of the diminished scale pattern to various chords: C \flat 7, A \flat 7, F \sharp 7, E \flat 7, C \sharp o7, Eo7, Go7, B \flat o7.

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Diminished scale, continued.

Thirds:

"solid", then...

A musical staff in treble clef showing a diminished scale: Bb, Ab, Gb, Fb, Eb, D, C, Bb. To the right, a box contains four arrows: an upward arrow, a downward arrow, an upward-right arrow, and a downward-right arrow.

A musical staff in treble clef showing a diminished scale starting with an upward arrow circled in a circle.

A musical staff in treble clef showing a diminished scale starting with a downward arrow circled in a circle, and ending with a downward-right arrow circled in a circle.

A musical staff in treble clef showing a diminished scale starting with a downward-right arrow circled in a circle.

Triads:

Cdim D^bdim E^bdim Edim F[#]dim Gdim A^bdim B^bdim.

A musical staff in treble clef showing a sequence of diminished triads: Cdim, D^bdim, E^bdim, Edim, F[#]dim, Gdim, A^bdim, B^bdim. To the right, a box contains four arrows: an upward arrow, a downward arrow, an upward-right arrow, and a downward-right arrow.

A musical staff in treble clef showing a sequence of diminished seventh chords: C⁷dim, D^{b7}dim, E^{b7}dim, E⁷dim, F^{#7}dim, G⁷dim, A^{b7}dim, B^{b7}dim.

: "Up the chord and down the scale and..."

A musical staff in treble clef showing a sequence of diminished seventh chords starting with an upward arrow at the beginning.

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