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On the following pages you find:

- some exercises for **harmony recognition and bass notation**, which you can use as 'studies' for the exercise with Haydn's Piano Sonate in D major (see below). You will need my website to listen to these execises, see http://m.hooning.myahk.nl/frameset/solfege_huiswerkopgaves_eerstejaar_2013-2014.html Important to know: after you finish playing an example in Scorch, you have to use the **stop button** before any other example on the same page can be played (else Scorch simply does not start again)
- Haydn, Piano Sonata in D major Hob. XVI: 51, exposition of the first movement. You can approach recordings through the website, or
 - when you have spotify: this is a pretty clear recording: <u>Rudolf Buchbinder Haydn : Piano Sonata No.61 in D major Hob.XVI, 51 : I Andante</u> (alternative: browser link: <u>Rudolf Buchbinder Haydn : Piano Sonata No.61 in D major Hob.XVI, 51 : I Andante</u>)
 - youtube for instance: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QeSEsh4x1kY
 - <u>Listen</u> to the entire exposition, and check in the score where the key change to A major takes place, and how it is done (I notated that in the score).
 - Notate the bass,; from bar 11 the left hand is often moving in eights notes triplets; I would only notate the *beats* (mostly: 4 notes per measure).
 - <u>Describe the cadences</u> (as PAC, DC etc.); notate the approriate terms in the right spots in the score.
 - Listen to the <u>harmony</u>, and write the <u>scale degrees</u> (Roman numbers) under the piano part in the score (with inversions where these are used). At two spots I added 'p' at the left hand stave: the sounds at these moments are not really harmonies, but sounds caused by the passingnotes. The surrounding chords are the issue, not the 'p-sounds' do not try to explain them... In measure 35 only the first beat should be seen as a harmony (that's why you see there the second, third and fourth beats notated already). In measures 30/31 a 'special' harmonic pattern is used; do you recognize it maybe?

- 1 This exercise containsts two periods. Only these chords are used: I $\,$ I6 $\,$ V(7) $\,$ V4/3 (as passing chord) and $\,$ IV .
 - label the cadences first
 - notate the bass
 - label all chords



- This exercise contains two periods as well, though the second period is *extended*. These chords are used: I I6 V V6 V7 V6/5 V4/3 IV IV6 II6
 - label the cadences first
 - notate the bass
 - label all chords

You may of course distinguish between IV and II6 by listening to the inversion; but: maybe even more clear, there is a diffence in sound quality:

IV is a *minor* triad, II is *dimished* (in major that would be: V=major, II=minor)



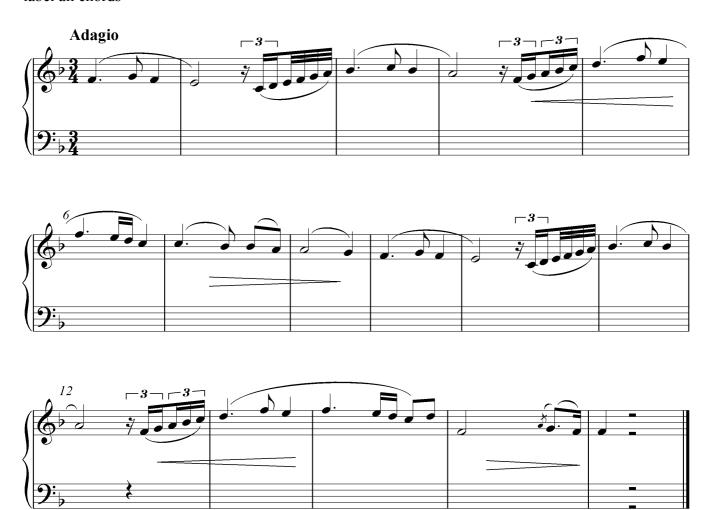








- 3 This exercise is especially using I and V and their inversions [I6, and I6/4 as suspension to V, V6 and root position and all inversions of V7]
 - label the cadences first
 - notate the bass
 - label all chords



3b Just to compare with exercise 3: here is the same exercise in *minor*

Remember: in *major keys* I and IV are major triads, VI is a minor triad. In *minor keys* it is the opposite: I and IV are minor triads, VI is a major triad. V and V7 are the *same* in major and minor keys: major triad or dominant seventh chord.







Exercise, especially to distinguish between IV and II6.

Remember: in *major keys* IV is a major triad, and II is minor In *minor keys* IV is a minor triad, and II is diminished.



Haydn, Piano Sonata in D major Hob. XVI: 51

see the explanation on page 1.



