

II V I & Turn Around

comping exercises in all keys

compin with open voicings ("spread voicings") without root

The image displays four systems of piano comping exercises, each consisting of a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The exercises are organized into four systems, each containing seven measures. The first system covers the II V I progression in D minor (Dm7, G7, C6), and the second system covers the Turn Around progression in G minor (Gm7, C7, F6). The third system covers the II V I progression in C minor (Cm7, F7, Bb6), and the fourth system covers the Turn Around progression in F minor (Fm7, Bb7, Eb6). Each measure shows a specific voicing for the chord, with notes written in the treble and bass staves. The notes are color-coded: red for the 9th, blue for the 7th, and green for the 3rd. The bass line is a simple eighth-note pattern: 3, 7, 3, 7, 3, 7, 3.

System 1: Dm7, G7, C6, A7, D7, G7, C6

System 2: Gm7, C7, F6, D7, G7, C7, F6

System 3: Cm7, F7, Bb6, G7, C7, F7, Bb6

System 4: Fm7, Bb7, Eb6, C7, F7, Bb7, Eb6

Bbm7 Eb7 Ab6 F7 Bb7 Eb7 Ab6

This system contains seven measures of music. Each measure features a grand staff with a treble and bass clef. The chords are: Bbm7, Eb7, Ab6, F7, Bb7, Eb7, and Ab6. The notation includes handwritten annotations: red numbers 6, 9, and 13 are placed above the treble staff notes, and blue numbers 3 and 7 are placed below the bass staff notes. Green stems are visible under the bass staff notes.

Ebm7 Ab7 Db6 Bb7 Eb7 Ab7 Db6

This system contains six measures of music. Each measure features a grand staff with a treble and bass clef. The chords are: Ebm7, Ab7, Db6, Bb7, Eb7, and Ab7. The notation includes handwritten annotations: red numbers 6, 9, and 13 are placed above the treble staff notes, and blue numbers 3 and 7 are placed below the bass staff notes. Green stems are visible under the bass staff notes.

Abm7 Db7 Gb6 Eb7 Ab7 Db7 Gb6

This system contains six measures of music. Each measure features a grand staff with a treble and bass clef. The chords are: Abm7, Db7, Gb6, Eb7, Ab7, and Db7. The notation includes handwritten annotations: red numbers 6, 9, and 13 are placed above the treble staff notes, and blue numbers 3 and 7 are placed below the bass staff notes. Green stems are visible under the bass staff notes.

C#m7 F#7 B6 G#7 C#7 F#7 B6

This system contains six measures of music. Each measure features a grand staff with a treble and bass clef. The chords are: C#m7, F#7, B6, G#7, C#7, and F#7. The notation includes handwritten annotations: red numbers 6, 9, and 13 are placed above the treble staff notes, and blue numbers 3 and 7 are placed below the bass staff notes. Green stems are visible under the bass staff notes.

F#m7 B7 E6 C#7 F#7 B7 E6

Handwritten annotations: Red 9, b9, b13, 3; Blue 3, 7.

Bm7 E7 A6 F#7 B7 E7 A6

Handwritten annotations: Red 9, b9, b13, 3; Blue 3, 7.

Em7 A7 D6 B7 E7 A7 D6

Handwritten annotations: Red 9, b9, b13, 3; Blue 3, 7.

Am7 D7 G6 E7 A7 D7 G6

Handwritten annotations: Red 9, b9, b13, 3; Blue 3, 7.

comping with guide tone voicings

Dm7 G7 C6 A7 D7 G7 C6

Guide tone voicings for the first system of chords: Dm7, G7, C6, A7, D7, G7, C6. The notation shows guide tone voicings for each chord in a grand staff. Red numbers 9 and b13 are written above the treble clef notes, and blue numbers 7 and 3 are written below the bass clef notes.

Gm7 C7 F6 D7 G7 C7 F6

Guide tone voicings for the second system of chords: Gm7, C7, F6, D7, G7, C7, F6. The notation shows guide tone voicings for each chord in a grand staff. Red numbers 9 and b13 are written above the treble clef notes, and blue numbers 7 and 3 are written below the bass clef notes.

Cm7 F7 Bb6 G7 C7 F7 Bb6

Guide tone voicings for the third system of chords: Cm7, F7, Bb6, G7, C7, F7, Bb6. The notation shows guide tone voicings for each chord in a grand staff. Red numbers 9 and b13 are written above the treble clef notes, and blue numbers 7 and 3 are written below the bass clef notes.

Fm7 Bb7 Eb6 C7 F7 Bb7 Eb6

Guide tone voicings for the fourth system of chords: Fm7, Bb7, Eb6, C7, F7, Bb7, Eb6. The notation shows guide tone voicings for each chord in a grand staff. Red numbers 9 and b13 are written above the treble clef notes, and blue numbers 7 and 3 are written below the bass clef notes.

Bbm7 Eb7 Ab6 F7 Bb7 Eb7 Ab6

Ebm7 Ab7 Db6 Bb7 Eb7 Ab7 Db6

Abm7 Db7 Gb6 Eb7 Ab7 Db7 Gb6

C#m7 F#7 B6 G#7 C#7 F#7 B6

F#m7 B7 E6 C#7 F#7 B7 E6

Musical notation for the first system of chords in F# major. The system contains seven measures. The first six measures are dyads: F#m7, B7, E6, C#7, F#7, and B7. The seventh measure is a triad: E6. The treble clef has a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The bass clef has a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). Chord symbols are written above the treble staff. Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-3 in red for the treble and blue for the bass. The bass line uses a 3-finger pattern for the first six measures and a 6-finger pattern for the seventh measure.

Bm7 E7 A6 F#7 B7 E7 A6

Musical notation for the second system of chords in F# major. The system contains seven measures. The first six measures are dyads: Bm7, E7, A6, F#7, B7, and E7. The seventh measure is a triad: A6. The treble clef has a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The bass clef has a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). Chord symbols are written above the treble staff. Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-3 in red for the treble and blue for the bass. The bass line uses a 3-finger pattern for the first six measures and a 6-finger pattern for the seventh measure.

Em7 A7 D6 B7 E7 A7 D6

Musical notation for the third system of chords in F# major. The system contains seven measures. The first six measures are dyads: Em7, A7, D6, B7, E7, and A7. The seventh measure is a triad: D6. The treble clef has a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The bass clef has a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). Chord symbols are written above the treble staff. Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-3 in red for the treble and blue for the bass. The bass line uses a 3-finger pattern for the first six measures and a 6-finger pattern for the seventh measure.

Am7 D7 G6 E7 A7 D7 G6

Musical notation for the fourth system of chords in F# major. The system contains seven measures. The first six measures are dyads: Am7, D7, G6, E7, A7, and D7. The seventh measure is a triad: G6. The treble clef has a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The bass clef has a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). Chord symbols are written above the treble staff. Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-3 in red for the treble and blue for the bass. The bass line uses a 3-finger pattern for the first six measures and a 6-finger pattern for the seventh measure.

comping with pentatonic voicings

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Dm7 G7(⁹₁₃) G7(^{b9}₁₃) C6 (Am7)

Same pentatonic voicings for C And A-

Dm7 G7(⁹₁₃) G7(^{b9}₁₃) C6 C6

Gm7 C7(⁹₁₃) C7(^{b9}₁₃) F6 Dm7

Same pentatonic voicings for F And D-

Gm7 C7(⁹₁₃) C7(^{b9}₁₃) F6 F6

Cm7 F7^(9 13) F7^(b9 13) Bb6 Gm7

Same pentatonic voicings for Bb And G-

Cm7 F7^(9 13) F7^(b9 13) Bb6 Bb6

Fm7 Bb7^(9 13) Bb7^(b9 13) Eb6 Cm7

Same pentatonic voicings for Eb And C-

Fm7 Bb7^(9 13) Bb7^(b9 13) Eb6 Eb6

Bbm7 Eb7 (9 13) Eb7 (b9 13) Ab6 Fm7

C/Eb7

Same pentatonic voicings for Ab and F-

Bbm7 Eb7 (9 13) Eb7 (b9 13) Ab6 Ab6

C/Eb7

Ebm7 Ab7 (9 13) Ab7 (b9 13) Db6 Bbm7

F/Ab7

Same pentatonic voicings for Db and Bb-

Ebm7 Ab7 (9 13) Ab7 (b9 13) Db6 Db6

F/Ab7

Abm7 Db7 (9/13) Db7 (b9/13) Gb6 Ebm7

Bb/D13

Same pentatonic voicings for Gb and Eb-

Abm7 Db7 (9/13) Db7 (b9/13) Gb6 Gb6

Bb/D13

C#m7 F#7 (9/13) F#7 (b9/13) B6 G#m7

Eb/F#7

Same pentatonic voicings for B and G#-

C#m7 F#7 (9/13) F#7 (b9/13) B6 B6

Eb/F#7

$F\sharp m7$ $B7 \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix} B7 \begin{pmatrix} b9 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$ $E6$ $C\sharp m6$

Same pentatonic voicings for E and C#-

$F\sharp m7$ $B7 \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix} B7 \begin{pmatrix} b9 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$ $E6$ $E6$

$Bm7$ $E7 \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix} E7 \begin{pmatrix} b9 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$ $A6$ $F\sharp m7$

Same pentatonic voicings for A and F#-

$Bm7$ $E7 \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix} E7 \begin{pmatrix} b9 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$ $A6$ $A6$

Em7 A7(9 13) A7(b9 13) D6 Bm7

F# / A7

Same pentatonic voicings for D and B-

Em7 A7(9 13) A7(b9 13) D6 D6

F# / A7

Am7 D7(9 13) D7(b9 13) G6 Em7

B / D7

Same pentatonic voicings for G and E-

Am7 D7(9 13) D7(b9 13) G6 G6 G6

B / D7

comping with close voicings ("rootless" or "left hand voicings")

Dm7(9) G7 Alt (Cmaj7) A7 Alt D7(9) G7 Alt (Cmaj7)

Gm7(9) C7 Alt Fmaj7(9/13) D7 Alt G7(9/13) C7 Alt Fmaj7(9/13)

Cm7(9) F7 Alt Bbmaj7(9/13) G7 Alt C7(9) F7 Alt Bbmaj7(9/13)

Fm7(9) Bb7 Alt (Ebmaj7) C7 Alt F7(9) Bb7 Alt (Ebmaj7)

First system of chords in B-flat major:

- Bbm7 (9)
- Eb7 A1+
- Abmaj7 (9)
- F7 A1+
- Bb7 (9/13)
- Eb7 A1+
- Abmaj7 (9/13)

Second system of chords in B-flat major:

- Ebm7 (9)
- Ab7 A1+
- Dbmaj7 (9)
- Bb7 A1+
- Eb7 (9)
- Ab7 A1+
- Dbmaj7 (9)

Third system of chords in B-flat major:

- Abm7 (9)
- Db7 A1+
- Gbmaj7 (9)
- Eb7 A1+
- Ab7 (9/13)
- Db7 A1+
- Gbmaj7 (9/13)

Fourth system of chords in B-flat major:

- C#m7 (9)
- F#7 A1+
- (Bmaj7)
- G#7 A1+
- C#7 (9)
- F#7 A1+
- Bmaj7 (9/13)

Additional annotation in the bass staff: Bb7 (9)

F#m7 (9) B7 Alt (E maj7) C#7 Alt F#7 (9) B7 Alt (E maj7)

Bm7 (9) E7 Alt A maj7 (9) F#7 Alt B7 (9 13) E7 Alt A maj7 (9 13)

Em7 (9) A7 Alt (D maj7) B7 Alt E7 (9) A7 Alt (D maj7)

Am7 (9) D7 Alt G maj7 (9 13) E7 Alt A7 (9 13) D7 Alt G maj7 (9 13)

comping with drop voicings (drop 2)

Dm7 (9) G7 (b9)
 Cmaj7 (9) 1. A7 (b9) 2. C6

Bb/B G/Ab E/F Db/D

C#07 Drop 2

Gm7 (9) C7 (b9)
 Fmaj7 (9) 1. D7 (b9) 2. F6

Eb/E C/Db A/Bb G/G

F#07 Drop 2

Cm7 (9) F7 (b9)
 Bbmaj7 (9) 1. G7 (b9) 2. Bb6

Ab/A F/Gb D/Eb B/C

B07 Drop 2

Fm7 (9) Bb7 (b9)
 Ebmaj7 (9) 1. C7 (b9) 2. Eb6

Db/D Bb/B G/Ab E/F

E07 Drop 2

$Bbm7(9)$ $Eb7(\frac{b9}{13})$ $Abmaj7(9)$ 1. $F7(\frac{b9}{13})$ 2. $Ab6$

$G\flat/G$ $E\flat/E$ $C/D\flat$ $A/B\flat$

$A\flat7$ Drop 2

$Ebm7(9)$ $Ab7(\frac{b9}{13})$ $Dbmaj7(9)$ 1. $Bb7(\frac{b9}{13})$ 2. $D\flat6$

B/C $A\flat/A$ $F/G\flat$ $D/E\flat$

$D\flat7$ Drop 2

$Abm7(9)$ $D\flat7(\frac{b9}{13})$ $Gbmaj7(9)$ 1. $Eb7(\frac{b9}{13})$ 2. $G\flat6$

E/F $D\flat/D$ $B\flat/B$ $G/A\flat$

$G\flat7$ Drop 2

$C\sharp m7(9)$ $F\sharp7(\frac{b9}{13})$ $Bmaj7(9)$ 1. $G\sharp7(\frac{b9}{13})$ 2. $B6$

$A/B\flat$ $F\sharp/G$ $E\flat/E$ $C/C\sharp$

C° Drop 2

F#m7(9) B7(b9) Emaj7(9) 1. C#7(b9) 2. E6

D/D# B/C G#A F/F#

F#7 Drop 2

Bm7(9) E7(b9) Amaj7(9) 1. F#7(b9) 2. A6

G/G# E/F C#D Bb/B

A#7 Drop 2

Em7(9) A7(b9) Dmaj7(9) 1. B7(b9) 2. D6

C/C# A/Bb F#G Eb/E

D#7 Drop 2

Am7(9) D7(b9) Gmaj7(9) 1. E7(b9) 2. G6

F/F# D/Eb B/C Ab/A

G#7 Drop 2