Sacramento State School of Music Music Theory

Analysis Exam

General instructions

This analysis exam will test your ability to interpret information you might find in a score. You will have 50 minutes to complete it.

Good luck! If you don't understand how to answer a question, please choose the response "I don't understand this question." It is not helpful to guess on this exam, as it may result in your being placed in a course you're not ready to take.

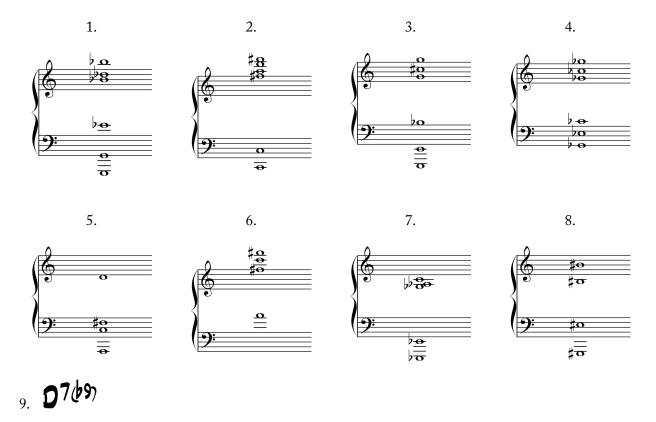
Part I: Chord Identification

Please identify each of the given chords by providing its root, quality, and figures (e.g. A min. 4/3). When you write the chord name, please follow this guide:

• Sharp: #

- Flat: b
- Major: maj.

- Minor: min.
- Diminished: dim.
- Half-diminished: half-dim.
- Figures: numbers separated by slashes, as shown in the example.



Which of the following chords best represents the lead sheet chord symbol shown above?



10. F_7b5

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Part II: Analysis 1

The next set of questions pertains to this excerpt.



- 1. Which of the following chord progressions best describes the harmony in the measure 21?
 - a. I⁶ II⁶
 - b. I^6 #iv⁷
 - c. I^6 vii^{o7}/V
 - d. I^6 V^6/V
 - e. I don't understand the question.
- 2. Which of the following chords best describes the harmony in the measure 29?
 - a. vii^o⁶/ii
 - b. #I₅
 - c. Ger+6
 - d. iiiº
 - e. I don't understand the question.
- 3. Describe the melody note in measure 7 marked with an asterisk (*).
 - a. Consonance; chord tone
 - b. Incomplete neighbor tone
 - c. Appoggiatura
 - d. Suspension
 - e. I don't understand the question.
- 4. Describe the melody note in measure 24 marked with an asterisk (*).
 - a. Passing tone
 - b. Consonance; chord tone
 - c. Suspension
 - d. Accented passing tone
 - e. I don't understand the question.
- 5. Identify the cadences in this excerpt. Write the measure number, beat number, and type of cadence (e.g., Measure 2, beat 2, deceptive cadence).

Part II: Analysis 2

The next set of questions pertains to this excerpt.





- 1. Define the harmony at 1. If you aren't sure, don't answer this question.
- 2. Define the harmony at 2. If you aren't sure, don't answer this question.
- 3. Define the harmony at 3. If you aren't sure, don't answer this question.
- 4. Define the harmony at 4. If you aren't sure, don't answer this question.