The Dominant Triad I Chord



Key: D Major



Key: d minor

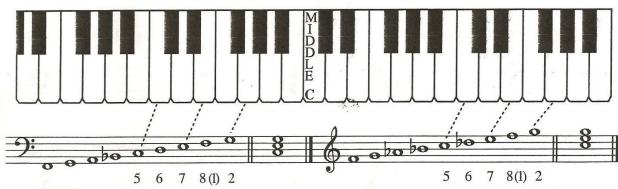
The DOMINANT TRIAD is always built on the FIFTH NOTE of the scale.

The **DOMINANT TRIAD** consists of the **DOMINANT**, **LEADING NOTE** and **SUPERTONIC** (the 5th, 7th and 2nd) notes of the scale.

When writing dominant triads in a Major key, NEVER RAISE the middle note.

Notice, that the D Major and the d minor keys share the SAME DOMINANT TRIAD: A, C# and E.

When writing dominant triads in a minor key, the middle note (the 7th note of the harmonic minor scale) is always RAISED by a CHROMATIC SEMITONE.



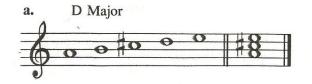
F Major triad, using accidentals

f harmonic minor triad, using accidentals

Notice, that the F Major and the f minor keys share the SAME DOMINANT TRIAD: C, E and G.

EXERCISES:

3. Write five notes, starting on the FIFTH note of each scale, using ACCIDENTALS. RAISE the 7th note of each minor scale, to make it harmonic minor. Write the corresponding DOMINANT TRIAD.



b. d minor, harmonic form

