



## MTO 29.4 Examples: Braunschweig, Embedded Dissonance in Eighteenth- and Nineteenth-Century Harmonic Theory and Practice

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**Example 1.** Bach, Sinfonia in G minor, BWV 797, mm. 1–8. *Bach-Gesellschaft Ausgabe*.  
Ed. Carl Ferdinand Becker, Vol. 3. Breitkopf and Härtel, 1853.



arrows indicate 2–3 suspensions  
in upper voices (or with bass)

The image shows a musical score for the first eight measures of the Sinfonia in G minor, BWV 797, by J.S. Bach. The score is written in 3/8 time and G minor. It features a treble and bass staff. The upper voice (treble staff) contains several notes that are marked with downward-pointing arrows, indicating suspensions. The bass staff provides a rhythmic accompaniment. The text above the score explains that the arrows indicate 2–3 suspensions in the upper voices, or with the bass.

Example 2. Chopin, Etude in C major, op. 10, no. 1, mm. 15–26. *Complete Works for the Piano*. Vol. 8. Ed. Carl Mikuli. Schirmer, 1895.

This image displays a musical score for Chopin's Etude in C major, op. 10, no. 1, measures 15–26. The score is presented in five systems, each consisting of a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The music is in 3/4 time and features a complex, flowing melodic line in the right hand, often characterized by slurs and grace notes. The left hand provides a steady accompaniment with chords and moving lines. The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, ties, and fingering numbers (1-5) to guide the performer. The notation is clear and professional, typical of a published edition.

Example 3. Reduction of Chopin excerpt, mm. 15–24

embedded 2–3 suspension chain

The image shows a musical score for a Chopin excerpt, measures 15-24. The score is in 4/4 time and consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The treble clef staff contains a melodic line with a red box highlighting measures 15-18. The bass clef staff contains a harmonic line with figured bass notation. The notation includes a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The treble clef staff has a tempo marking of 8. The bass clef staff has a tempo marking of 4. The red box highlights the following notes in the treble clef staff: measure 15 (G4, A4), measure 16 (G4, A4), measure 17 (G4, A4), and measure 18 (G4, A4). The bass clef staff has the following figured bass notation: measure 15 (4 - 3), measure 16 (9 - 8), measure 17 (6/5), measure 18 (6/5), measure 19 (7 - #6), and measure 20 (#). The bass clef staff also has a bracket labeled 'Fonte' spanning measures 17 and 18, and a bracket labeled 'digression to A minor:' spanning measures 17 and 18. The bass clef staff has a 'V' marking under measure 20. The bass clef staff has a 'ii' marking under measure 17 and an 'i' marking under measure 18.

**Example 4.** Common suspension chain and contrapuntal permutations; from Harrison 2003, 244, matched with excerpts from Handel, Chaconne in G major, HWV 435. *Georg Friedrich Händels Werke*. Vol. 2. Deutsche Händelgesellschaft, 1858.

The image displays a musical score for Example 4, illustrating a common suspension chain and its contrapuntal permutations. The score is organized into five numbered staves (1-5) and three variations (Var. 9, Var. 10, and Var. 11).

**Staff 1:** Shows the initial suspension chain with notes 3, 7, and 6. A box below the staff indicates the measure numbers: 1.1.2, mm. 32-3; 1.3.2, mm. 38-9; 1.12.4, mm. 26-8.

**Staff 2:** Shows a permutation with notes 3, 7, and 6. A box below the staff indicates the measure numbers: 1.4.3, mm. 3-6; 1.5.2, mm. 2-3.

**Staff 3:** Shows a permutation with notes 3, 7, and 6. A box below the staff indicates the measure numbers: 1.8.2, mm. 4 and 14.

**Staff 4:** Shows a permutation with notes 3, 7, and 6. A box below the staff indicates the measure numbers: 3.3.4, mm. 19-20.

**Staff 5:** Shows a permutation with notes 3, 7, and 6. A box below the staff indicates the measure numbers: 6.7.5, mm. 58-63; 1.12.1, mm. 2-3.

**Var. 9. Adagio.** This variation is shown in a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) and is connected to Staff 1 by a line.

**Var. 10.** This variation is shown in a grand staff and is connected to Staff 2 by a line.

**Var. 11.** This variation is shown in a grand staff and is connected to Staff 3 by a line.

Example 5. Suspension chain interpreted according to motion of the fundamental bass; from Rameau 1722, 242

The image shows three staves of music. The top staff is a treble clef with a suspension chain of notes (A, B, C, D, E, F, G) connected by slurs. The middle staff is a bass clef with figured bass notation: 4-7-6, 7-6, 7-6, 7-6, 7-6. Below this staff is the label "BASSE-CONTINUE." The bottom staff is a bass clef with figured bass notation: 7-7, 7-7, 7-7, 7-7, 7-7. Below this staff is the label "BASSE-FONDAIMENTALE." The notes in the bottom staff correspond to the suspension chain in the top staff.

Example 6. "Colliding" dissonances within the motion of the fundamental bass; from Christensen 1993, 108

The image shows three staves of music. The top staff is a treble clef with notes A, A, A. The middle staff is a treble clef with notes C, B, C. The bottom staff is a bass clef with notes 7, 3, 7, 3. The notes in the middle and bottom staves are connected by slurs, indicating a sequence of notes. The notes in the top staff are positioned above the notes in the middle and bottom staves, creating a dissonant relationship.

**Example 7.** Ambiguity arising from different contrapuntal settings of a suspension; from Remeš 2019, 77

(a) Agent holds

(b) Agent moves

discant *clausula* (patient)

*zufällig* (non-essential)

*wesentlich* (essential)

7 6

7 7

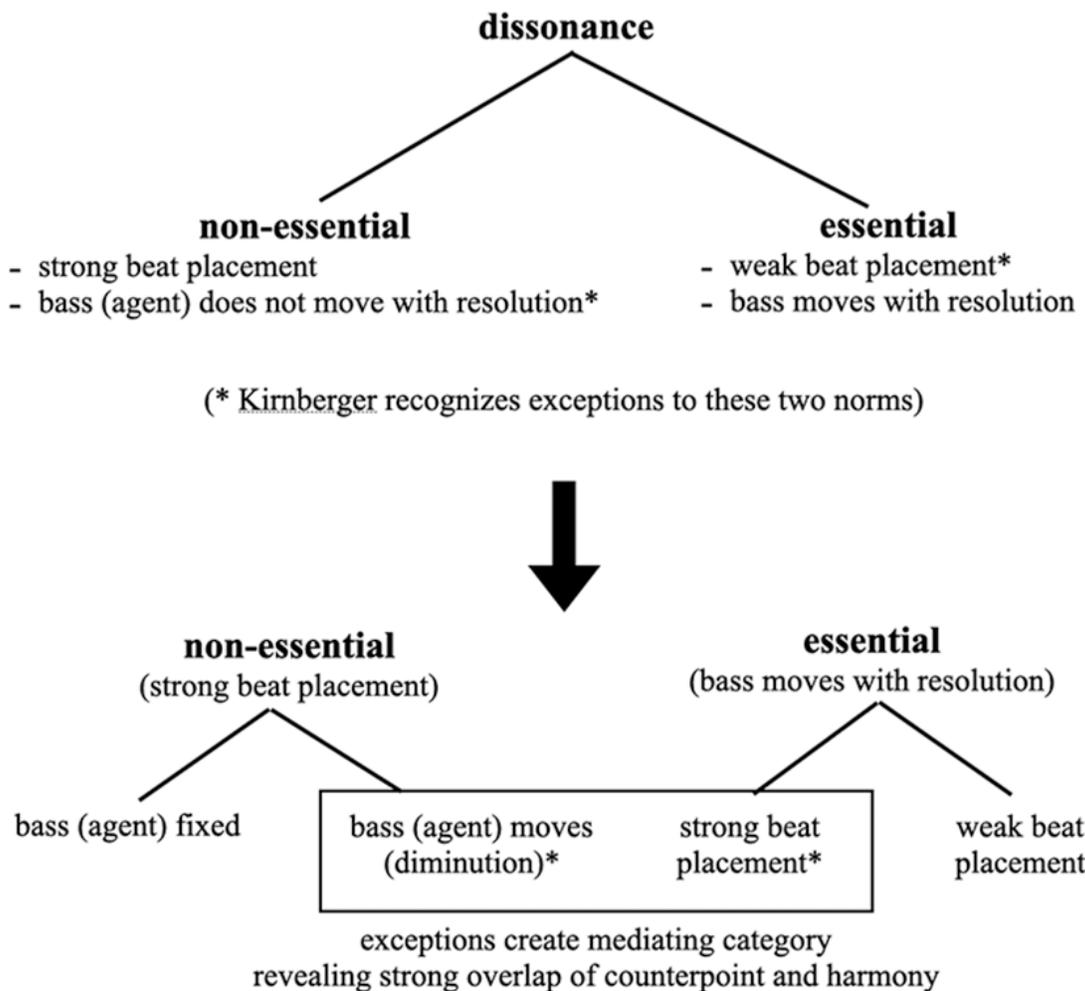
C: ② ①

tenor *clausula* (agent)

② ⑤ ①

tenor or bass *clausula*?

**Example 8.** Kirnberger's categories of dissonance revised to include mediating type



**Example 9.** Descending-fifth root motion depicted with embedded suspension chain, Weber  
1832, 2: 251 (§263)

324.) a.) b.) c.) d.) e.) f.)

embedded suspensions

C: I IV7: 0 VII, III7: VI, II7: V, I7: IV, 0 VII7: III, VI7: II

**Example 10.** Descending-fifth root motion in voicings related by invertible counterpoint, Weber  
1832, 2: 261 (§271)

337 i.)

embedded suspensions  
(2-3 or 9-10)

k.)

l.) m.)

G7 G7 F7 Eb7 E7



Example 13. Kirnberger (Beach and Thym) 1982, 95

Example 14. Schenker 1922, 206

Example 15. Embedded dissonance in three degrees of assimilation, Richter 1860, 104

220.

C: V<sub>7</sub> I - II<sub>7</sub> V I I IV II<sub>7</sub> I a: VII<sup>0</sup><sub>7</sub> I

**Example 16.** Various settings of a suspension chain with moving bass, annotated from Harrison 2003, 247

7-6 suspension on strong beat

1

2

3

triadic resolution on weak beat

a

b

b:

etc.

1.12.1, mm. 11-12; 3.11.2, mm. 35-6; 4.2.1, mm. 2-3

5.3.4, mm. 20-2; 3.7.4, mm. 3-6

**Example 17.** Berardi 1687, 151

**Example 18.** Kirnberger 1781, II: 8

**Example 19.** Two versions of dissonant chord resolutions in the down3–up2 pattern; Weber 1832, 2: 252 (§263) and 2: 240 (§252)

7–6 suspensions on strong beats

i.) k.) l.) m.) n.) o.) p.)

V I, IV 7: 0 VII, III 7, VI, II 7 V, I 7 IV, 0 VII 7: III, VI 7: II.

**Example 20.** Derivation of 6556 chords in Richter 1860, 171–73

403. 1 2 3 4 NB. 5 NB. 6 7 8 NB. 9 10 11 12

407.

“apparent” 6/5 chord, generated by suspension (with moving bass)

**Example 21.** Bach, Sinfonia in E major, BWV 792, mm. 1–7. *Bach-Gesellschaft Ausgabe*, Vol. 3. Breitkopf and Härtel, 1853.

**Sinfonia 6.**

1 2 3  
(1 2)

1 2 1 2 1 2 1

**Example 22.** Two passages from Mozart, Piano Sonata K. 333, first movement (mm. 142–46) and third movement (mm. 189–92), vertically aligned with reduction. *Mozarts Werke, Serie XX: Sonaten und phantasien für das pianoforte*, No. 13. Breitkopf and Härtel, 1878.

The image displays a musical score for Mozart's Piano Sonata K. 333, arranged in three systems. The top system shows the first movement (mm. 142–146) in G major, 4/4 time, with a *mp* dynamic marking. The middle system shows the third movement (mm. 189–192) in G major, 4/4 time, with a *legato* marking. The bottom system shows a reduction of the first movement, with a *p* dynamic marking. Red boxes highlight the first movement passages in the top and middle systems. The reduction in the bottom system is a simplified version of the first movement, showing the main melodic and harmonic lines.

first movement:  
mm. 142–146

third movement:  
mm. 189–192

*mp*

*legato*

*p*

**Example 23.** Excerpt from Mozart, Mass in C minor, K. 427, “Et incarnatus est”; Salzer/Schachter 1969, 367

Andante

from etc.

**Example 24.** Mozart, Piano Sonata K. 545, first movement, mm. 18–21, with two alternative settings of a harmonized 2–3 series, from Holtmeier 2011, 315. *Mozarts Werke, Serie XX: Sonaten und phantasien für das pianoforte*, No. 16. Breitkopf and Härtel, 1878.

mm. 18–21

a)

b)

2-3

6 6 6 6

5 5 5 5

9 9 9



Example 26. Excerpt from Puccini, *La Boheme* with reduction; Baragwanath 2011, 270

Andante calmo

4

So-no an - da - ti? Fin-ge-vo di dor - mi - re per-chè vol - li con te so - ia re - sta - re Ho-tan-te

*mf* *pp*

3

9

co - se che ti vo-glio di - re ou-na so - la, ma gran-de co-me il ma - re, co-me il

5

**Example 27.** Four contrapuntal possibilities for “harmonizing” a 2–3 upper-voice suspension

contrapuntal possibilities for supporting upper-voice 2–3 suspension

7 4

5 4

cadential suspension  
configuration A

3 4

configuration B

4 2

**Example 28.** Exercise featuring cadential suspensions, in “Precepts and Principles” (originally in Niedt), Bach/Poulin 1994, 19

The image shows a musical score for a piano exercise. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The bass line features several chords with suspensions. Two specific instances are highlighted with red boxes. The first box covers the second and third measures, showing a suspension of the fifth (5) in the bass line. The second box covers the fourth and fifth measures, showing a suspension of the sixth (6) in the bass line. The treble staff contains chords that correspond to the bass line.

**Example 29.** Embedded dissonance in the cadential suspension, Mozart, Piano Sonata, K. 310, first movement, mm. 43–49. *Mozarts Werke, Serie XX: Sonaten und phantasien für das pianoforte*, No. 16. Breitkopf and Härtel, 1878.

The image shows two systems of musical notation for a piano sonata. Each system has a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The first system includes a trill (tr) in the treble staff. The second system shows a cadential suspension in the bass line. Annotations with arrows point to specific features: '2-3 embedded suspension' points to a suspension in the bass line of the second system, and '7-6 embedded suspension' points to a suspension in the bass line of the first system.

**Example 30.** Embedded dissonance appearing in Chopin, Nocturne, op. 48, no. 2, mm. 3–6, with hypothetical thoroughbass model. *Complete Works for the Piano*, Vol. 4. Ed. Carl Mikuli. New York: 1894.

**Nocturne.** F. CHOPIN, Op. 48, No 2.

Andantino.

14. *p*

The image displays a musical score for Chopin's Nocturne, Op. 48, No. 2, measures 3-6. The score is in G major and 3/4 time. It consists of three systems. The first system shows the original melody in the treble clef and a hypothetical thoroughbass model in the bass clef. The second system continues the melody and the thoroughbass model. The third system shows the original melody in the treble clef and a simplified harmonic model in the bass clef. The thoroughbass model uses 'Re.' for the root and '\*' for dissonances. Fingerings and dynamics are indicated throughout.

**Example 31.** Embedded dissonance in the standard eighteenth-century cadential suspension

$\hat{3}$     $\hat{2}$     $\longrightarrow$     $\hat{1}$

“harmonized”  
2–3 suspension

s   w   s

$\frac{6}{5}$

$\longrightarrow$  I   emphasis on final arrival

- $\hat{2} - \hat{1}$  as agent of musical motion
- end-accented on strong beat

**Example 32.** Configuration A prototype and common settings

three-voice prototype

$\hat{5}$     $\hat{4}$     $\longrightarrow$     $\hat{3}$

embedded  
2–3 suspension

s   w   s

$\frac{6}{5}$     $\frac{6}{5}$

$\longrightarrow$  I   emphasis on final arrival

three-voice setting  
(upper voices inverted)

suspension  
inverted (7–6)

$\frac{6}{5}$     $\frac{6}{5}$

- $\hat{4} - \hat{3}$  as agent of musical motion
- end-accented on strong beat
- 9–8 continuation optional

four-voice setting

$\frac{6}{5}$     $\frac{6}{5}$

Example 33. Mixed-species counterpoint, Fux 1725, 158, reproduced in Schenker 1922, 214

Fux:



The image shows three staves of musical notation. The top staff is in treble clef with a common time signature. The middle and bottom staves are in bass clef. The notes are diamond-shaped, and there are various rhythmic markings and phrasing slurs throughout the piece.

Schenker:



The image shows two staves of musical notation. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The notes are circular, and there are various rhythmic markings and phrasing slurs. A red box highlights the first two measures of the piece. Below the first two measures, there is figured bass notation:  $\begin{matrix} 6 & 9 \\ 5 & 3 \end{matrix}$ ,  $\begin{matrix} 6 & 6 & 6 & 9 \\ 5 & 5 & 5 & 3 \end{matrix}$ .

**Example 34.** Contrapuntal configuration featuring consecutive  $\zeta$  chords, modified from Harrison 2003, 248

as appears in, e.g., Corelli Op. 3 No. 5,  
(fourth movement, final measures):

Example 35. Instances of Configuration A in pedagogical treatise of Mattei 1827, 8, 15, and 119

Example 35 consists of two exercises, Nº 2 and Nº 4, and two piano accompaniment excerpts. The exercises are written in bass clef with a common time signature. Exercise Nº 2 features a sequence of notes with fingerings 6<sup>#</sup>, 5<sup>b</sup>, 9, 6<sup>#</sup>, 5<sup>b</sup>, 9, 6, 6<sup>b</sup>, 5<sup>b</sup>, 9, 5, 6, 5<sup>b</sup>, 4, 3. Exercise Nº 4 includes fingerings such as 6<sup>b</sup>, 5, 9, 8, 6, 5, 9, 8, 6, 4, 6<sup>b</sup>, 5, 6, 5, 3, 5, 4, 3. The piano excerpts show the harmonic accompaniment for these exercises, with fingerings like 6<sup>b</sup>, 5, 9, 5, 6<sup>b</sup>, 5, 6, 5, 3, 5, 4, 3.

Example 36. Handel, Lesson 19, reproduced in Mann 1987, 24

Example 36 shows two staves of a piece in bass clef and two staves of a piece in treble clef. The bass clef staves include fingerings such as 6, 4, 9, 3, 6, 9, 3, 6, 6, 4, 6, 5<sup>b</sup>, 6, 4. The treble clef staves include fingerings such as 9, 3, 6, 6, 9, 3, 6, 6, 9, 3, 6, 4, 7, 6, 7, 4, 4. Red boxes highlight specific passages in both staves. An arrow points to a passage in the treble clef with the label "embedded 2-3 suspension series".

Example 37. Bach, Little Prelude, BWV 924, mm. 1–6; excerpt from analysis in Schenker (1921–1924) 2004, 142

The image displays two systems of musical notation for Example 37. The top system shows the original notation for measures 1 through 6 of the Little Prelude, BWV 924. The right-hand part (treble clef) features a complex sixteenth-note pattern, while the left-hand part (bass clef) provides a simple harmonic accompaniment. Red boxes highlight specific passages in both parts. The bottom system is Schenker's analytical reduction of the same passage. It uses a simplified notation to reveal the underlying structural elements, including a boxed-in section that corresponds to the red box in the original notation. Above the staff, Schenker's figured bass notation is visible, including the number '8' in a box and various figured bass symbols like  $\hat{6}$ ,  $\hat{7}$ ,  $\hat{8}$ , and  $\hat{7}$ . Below the staff, Roman numerals and figured bass symbols are provided:  $C I$ ,  $b7$ ,  $IV - V I$ ,  $V \begin{smallmatrix} 3- \\ 5- \end{smallmatrix}$ , and  $-7- \\ -3-$ .

Example 38. Kirnberger 1781, Part 2, Fig. 25

This image shows a handwritten musical score for Kirnberger's 1781, Part 2, Figure 25. The score is written on two staves, the upper one in treble clef and the lower one in bass clef. The notation is dense, featuring many notes with stems and beams. Below the notes, there are numerous handwritten numbers, likely indicating fingerings or other performance instructions. The overall appearance is that of a historical manuscript.

Example 39. Sechter 1830, 44

Musical score for Example 39, Sechter 1830, 44. The score is in 2/4 time and features a treble and bass staff. The bass staff includes fingering numbers (6, 5, 6, 5, 6, b6, b5, 6, 5, 6, 5) and a large bracket on the left labeled 'LXVII'.

Example 40. Mozart, Piano Concerto, K. 488, second movement, mm. 1–12, with brief reduction. *Neue Mozart-Ausgabe, Serie V, Werkgruppe 15*. Bärenreiter-Verlag, 1959.

Musical score for Example 40, Mozart, Piano Concerto, K. 488, second movement, mm. 1–12, with brief reduction. The score is in 6/8 time and features a treble and bass staff. A red box highlights a specific passage in the bass staff, and a line points to it from the middle staff.

**Example 41.** Mozart, Piano Sonata, K. 311, first movement, mm. 48–52. *Mozarts Werke, Serie XX: Sonaten und phantasien für das pianoforte*, No. 9. Breitkopf and Härtel, 1878.

The image displays a musical score for Example 41, consisting of four systems of music. The first system (measures 48-50) features a complex texture with rapid sixteenth-note passages in both hands, highlighted by a red box. The second system (measures 51-52) continues this texture, also highlighted by a red box. The third system (measures 53-56) shows a change in dynamics from piano (*p*) to forte (*f*) and back to piano (*p*). The fourth system (measures 57-60) shows a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The score is in G major and 4/4 time.

Example 42. Mozart, Piano Sonata, K. 310, second movement, mm. 46–47. *Mozarts Werke, Serie XX: Sonaten und phantasien für das pianoforte, No. 8. Breitkopf and Härtel, 1878.*

The image displays a musical score for the second movement of Mozart's Piano Sonata, K. 310, measures 46–47. The score is written for piano and treble clef. It consists of four systems of music. The first system shows the beginning of the piece with a forte dynamic. The second and third systems feature a red box highlighting a specific passage in the treble clef. The fourth system includes the instruction "calando".

**Example 43.** Mozart, Symphony no. 40, second movement, mm. 29–36, with reduction. *Mozarts Werke, Serie VIII: Symphonien*, Vol. 3, No. 40. Breitkopf and Härtel, 1880.

6 4 3 6 4 5 5 5 5

V

(returning to Bb)

Example 44. Configuration B prototype and settings

three-voice prototype

embedded 2-3 suspension

S W

emphasis on resolution

2

(1)

V

- motion to 2 as agent of musical motion
- end-accented on weak beat
- variant: chained in chromatic sequence

three-voice setting  
(upper voices inverted)

3 4

four-voice setting  
(upper voices inverted)

3 7

four-voice settings

3 4

aug6th variant

Example 45. Heinichen 1728, 163

The image shows a musical score for Example 45, Heinichen 1728, 163. The score is written on two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. A red box highlights a specific section of the music in both staves, corresponding to measures 1 and 2 of a phrase. The notation includes various notes, rests, and ornaments. The bottom staff has figured bass notation below it, including figures like 6 4 3, 6 4 3 5, 6 4 3, 6 4 3, 6 4 3, and 6 4 3.

Example 46. Configuration B in Beethoven, Piano Sonata Op. 13 "Pathétique," second movement; Salzer 1952, 151

Adagio cantabile

etc.

mm. 49-51:

$I$   $Y$   $I$   $Y$   $I$   
 $I$   
 $M$

$I$   $Y$   $I$   
 $I$   
 $of VI$   
 $M$

$V$   $I^{\sharp}$

**Example 47.** "Secondary cadences" in down3-up2 pattern with embedded dissonance, Weber 1832, 2: 251 (§263) and 2: 259 (§269)

The image shows a musical score for a piano piece, marked *g.* (forte). The score is written on a grand staff with a treble and bass clef. A red rectangular box highlights a specific cadence in the middle of the piece. An arrow points from the text "voiced as 7-6" to the top of the treble clef staff within this box, indicating the interval between the two notes of the cadence.

**Example 48.** Richter 1860, 68

The image shows a musical score for a bass line, likely for a cello or double bass, in a C major key. The score is written on a single staff with a bass clef. A red rectangular box highlights a specific cadence in the middle of the piece. Numerical annotations are placed above the notes: "2." above the first note, "3" above the second, "6" above the third, "5" below the third, "4" above the fourth, "3" below the fourth, "7" above the fifth, "4" above the sixth, "3" below the sixth, "2" above the seventh, "6" above the eighth, "7" above the ninth, and "7" above the tenth. The final note is a whole note.

**Example 49.** Chopin, Prelude in F-sharp minor, op. 28, mm. 1–4, with two reductions. *Complete Works for the Piano*, Vol. 8. Ed. Carl Mikuli. Schirmer, 1895.

**PRÉLUDE.**  
Molto agitato.  
F. CHOPIN Op. 28, No 8.

8.

voiced as 7-6

re-voiced as 2-3

embedded dissonance in sequence

4 7 4 7 7 7 4 7

**Example 50.** Chopin, Mazurka in F-sharp minor, op. 6, no. 1, opening measures, with reduction. *Complete Works for the Piano*, Vol. 2. Ed. Carl Mikuli. Schirmer, 1894.

The image displays the opening measures of Chopin's Mazurka in F-sharp minor, op. 6, no. 1. It includes a piano score with a first ending bracket, a reduction score with dynamic markings, and a bass clef reduction with figured bass notation.

**Annotations:**

- embedded dissonance in sequence:** A line points to the first two measures of the bass clef reduction.
- 5th prog.:** A line points to the fifth measure of the bass clef reduction.

**Figured Bass (Bass Clef):**

4	3	7	4	4	3	7	4	4	3	7	5	4	3	7	4	4	3	7	4	7	3
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Example 51. Koch 1811, 291



suspension stress: s w s

metric stress: w s w

**Example 52.** Summary prototypes and features of Configurations A and B

**A**

Diagram A illustrates a musical configuration with a 4-3 progression. The upper voice (treble clef) features a sequence of notes: a half note G4 (labeled (5)), a quarter note F#4, a quarter note E4, and a quarter note D4. The lower voice (bass clef) features a sequence of notes: a half note C3, a quarter note D3, a quarter note E3, and a quarter note F3. Above the notes, a bracket groups the first two notes of the upper voice and the first two notes of the lower voice, with a label "harmonized" 2-3 suspensions. Below the notes, a bracket groups the last two notes of the upper voice and the last two notes of the lower voice, with a label "emphasis on final arrival". The progression is labeled "4" above the first measure and "3" above the second measure, with an arrow pointing from 4 to 3. The final note of the lower voice is marked with a Roman numeral "I".

- common in three and four voices
- can appear in major and minor modes
- four basic stages: prep-sus-resolution-arrival
- 4 – 3 as agent of musical motion
- end-accented on strong beat
- variant: omission of 9-8 on tonic arrival
- easily adaptable for tonicization and modulation

**B**

Diagram B illustrates a musical configuration with a 2-1 progression. The upper voice (treble clef) features a sequence of notes: a half note G4 (labeled (5)), a quarter note F#4, a quarter note E4, and a quarter note D4. The lower voice (bass clef) features a sequence of notes: a half note C3, a quarter note D3, a quarter note E3, and a quarter note F3. Above the notes, a bracket groups the first two notes of the upper voice and the first two notes of the lower voice, with a label "harmonized" 2-3 suspension. Below the notes, a bracket groups the last two notes of the upper voice and the last two notes of the lower voice, with a label "emphasis on resolution". The progression is labeled "2" above the first measure and "1" above the second measure, with an arrow pointing from 2 to 1. The final note of the lower voice is marked with a Roman numeral "V".

- most common in four voices
- most common in minor mode
- three basic stages
- motion to 2 as agent of musical motion
- end-accented on weak beat
- V7 variant leads to next downbeat, shifts metric emphasis
- easily chained in chromatic sequence

Example 53. Rule of the Octave in Kirnberger, *Kunst*, Chapter 4 (Beach 1982, 62)

Example 53 shows two systems of music. The first system, labeled (a) and (b), consists of a treble staff and a bass staff. The bass staff contains figured bass notation: 5, 6, 5, #, 6, 5, #, 6, 5. The second system, labeled (c) and (d), also consists of a treble staff and a bass staff. The bass staff contains figured bass notation: #, 6, 5, #, #, 6, 7, 5.

Example 54. Rule of the Octave in Rameau's *Traité*, III (Rameau/Gossett 1971, 232)

General example of the octave, ascending as well as descending

Example 54 is a general example of the octave, showing ascending and descending motion. It consists of five staves. The top two staves are treble clefs. The third staff is labeled "Basso continuo" and contains the letters X, J, R, L, B, M, N, T, K, O, U. The fourth staff is labeled "Fundamental bass" and contains the letters D, Z, Y, A, B, D, C, D, D. The bottom staff is a bass clef with figured bass notation: 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7.

**Example 55.** Metric independence of “secondary cadences” in down3–up2 pattern with embedded dissonance, Weber 1832, 2: 252 (§263)



**I ii' V I' IV° vii' iii vi' ii V' I'**

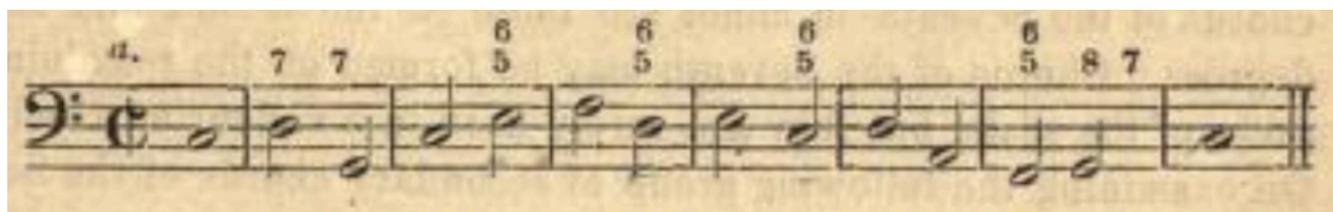
suspension and  
metric stress:

w s w

suspension stress: w s w

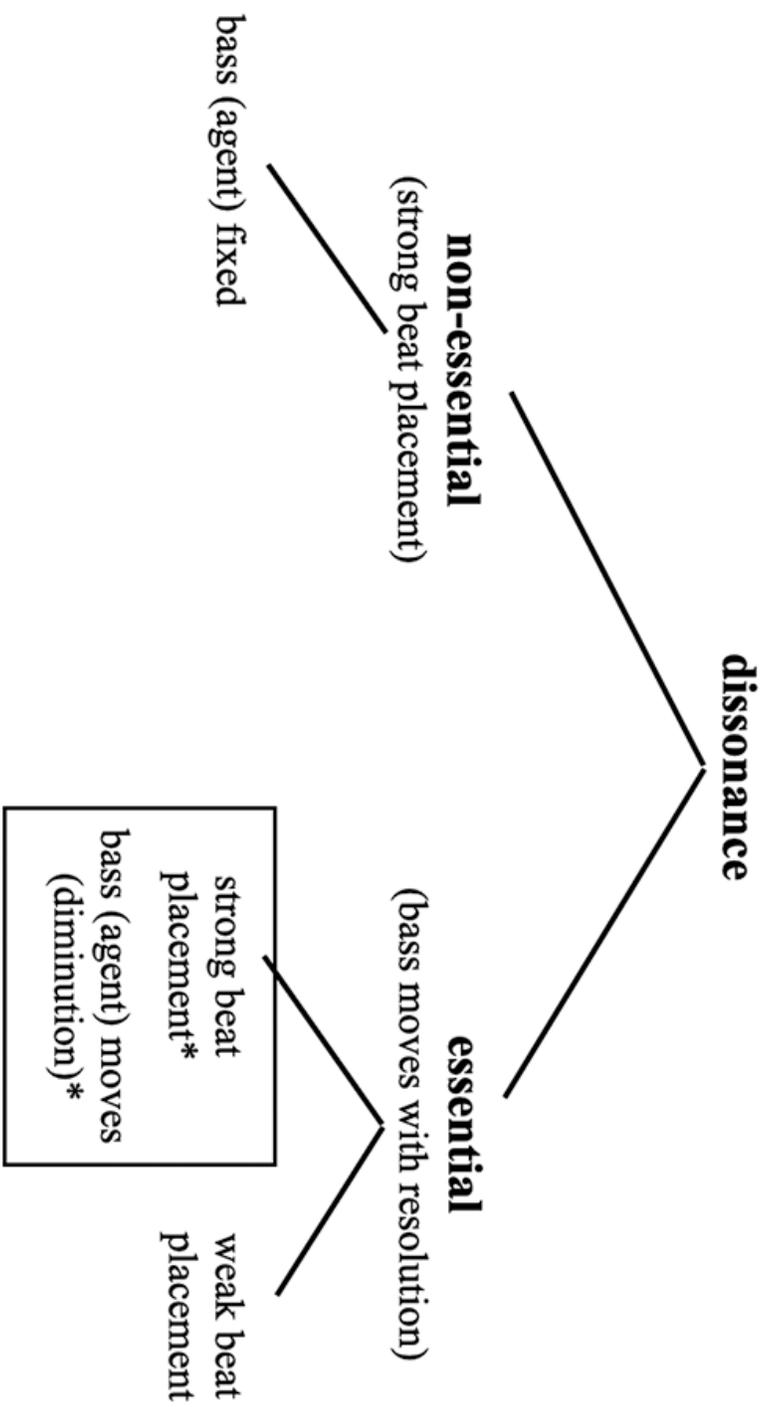
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**Example 56.** Jadassohn (1883) 1890, 71 (§41)





**Example 59.** Tendency of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century harmonic theory



tendency to interpret these dissonances as essential,  
thus increasing separation of counterpoint and harmony

Example 60. Catel 1802, 56

HARMONIE SIMPLE. Suite de sixtes et d'accords parfaits..

Dissonance de quinte dans l'accord de sixte,  
produisant suite de quintes et sixtes.

Example 61. Prout 1889, 172

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