eNovation 11: Finger Substitutions in Melodies and Chords

NOTE: Video and audio files are found in the media playlist on each lesson page.

eNovation 11 Overview

Goals	Summary: In eNovation 11 students learn to shift chord positions comfortably using finger substitutions on repeated notes. Students also learn about secondary chords and their function as substitutions for primary chords. Students continue to learn black key scale fingerings.	
Key Elements:	 Technique: Finger Substitutions Technique: Advanced Shifts Technique: One Octave Major & Minor Scales (Black Key – HT) Rhythm: Sixteenth Notes and Rests Theory: Secondary Chords, Chord Substitutions and Progressions Styles: Keyboard Style 	
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Topic 1: Finger Substitutions / Sixteenth Rests / The ii – V7 – I Cadence

Lesson Goals			
Finger substitutions are often used when shifting positions. The most common type requires a change of fingering on a repeated note, such as when shifting between chords of differing shapes that contain common tones (Chordal Shifts 4). Mastery of this shift is especially useful when playing in keyboard style, found in many of the applications below Activity Type / Title with Links Instructions / Comments			
	Videos (2)	Chordal Shifts IV: Finger Substitutions; Inversion Fingerings	Watch Instructional Videos
	Technique	Chordal Shifts 4: Finger Substitutions (Drill and Flashcards)	Two drills 4.1 and 4.2. These drills are designed to develop fluency when playing chordal shifts requiring a finger substitution.
	Rhythm	Rhythm Drill: Sixteenth Rests – Simple Meter	Count carefully while tapping these out. When you are ready, practice them with the play-along audio tracks found at the bottom of the page.
	Reading	Reading 11.1 Finger Substitutions	Choose as needed.

Reading	Harmonic Reading 11.1: Finger Substitutions	Learn to execute shifts using finger substitutions. Observe all indicated fingerings. Choose as needed.
Harmonization	When Love is Kind (Moore/Ireland Traditional) (ii6-V7-I cadence)	(Ab Major, 3/4, ii6 – V7 – I cadence) The melody requires a series of expanding extensions. There are a variety of accompaniment styles, includes a two-handed accompaniment.
Harmonization	Bingo (Scottland) (ii6-V7-I Cadence)	(A Major, 4/4, ii6 – V7 – I cadence) The melody contains extensions, position shifts and finger substitutions. Uses close position chords. Also includes a two-handed accompaniment.
Harmonization	Cockles and Mussels (Molly Malone) (Ireland) (ii6-V7-I Cadence)	(G Major, 3/4, ii6–V7 – I cadence) The melody is somewhat stable with one position shift. Included close and extended position accompaniment. Also includes a two-handed accompaniment.
Listening	Aural Playback: Chord Substitution Progressions	Use standard inversion fingerings to playback the chord substitution progressions that you hear.
Improvisation	Improvising with the ii and vi Chords	In this improvisation, you will be creating melodies and accompaniment patterns using the secondary chords, ii and vi.
Improvisation	Improvisation: The IV - V7 - I and ii - V7 - I Cadences	Watch the video: Three Cadential Formulae before completing this assignment. Complete each antecedent phrase using the cadences: IV-V7-I and ii-V7-I.
Lead Sheet	Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star (England)	(C Major) Keyboard Style. Realize this lead sheet using keyboard style.
Lead Sheet	Sweet Betsy from Pike (John A. Stone/U.S. Traditional)	G Major: Realize this lead sheet using one of the recommended styles.
Lead Sheet	Tum Balalaika (Russian Yiddish)	(D Minor) Finger substitutions. Contains diminished 7 th chords.
Collaborative Piano	Yankee Doodle (U.S Patriotic) (Accompanying)	This accompaniment used keyboard styles. There are two versions. Advanced students should try the challenge version.
Collaborative Piano	Happy Birthday to You (U.S Traditional) (accompanying)	Waltz style accompaniment with LH octaves and a walking bass. RH plays primary chords in close position.

Ensemble	Hallelujah Chorus by G. F. Handel	Multiple Keyboard Ensemble (4 players)
Ensemble	Blues Quartet 2 by Susanna Garcia	Multiple Keyboard Ensemble (4 players, 1 part improvises) Aeolian Mode
Pop Tune Arranging	The Pachelbel Canon Progression	You will use the Pachelbel canon progression (I-V-vi-iii-IV-I-IV-V) as the basis for creating your own arrangement of a popular tune. Choose a tune from the playlist.
Repertoire	Andante by Johann Christian Bach	A minor. Excellent for practicing finger substitutions! Observe fingerings.
Repertoire	Homage to Pachelbel by Susanna Garcia	G Major. Excellent for practicing finger substitutions! Observe fingerings. Uses the Pachelbel Canon progression.
Repertoire	Ukrainian Folk Song by Ludwig van Beethoven	G Major: Finger substitutions on repeated notes. Two-note slurs.
Repertoire	Étude in E Minor by Johann Wilhelm Hässler	(E Minor, 2/4) Uses dotted rhythms, makes extensive use of finger crossings, and requires good coordination between the hands in rhythm and articulation.
Hymn/Chorale	Away in a Manger (Christmas)	(F major) Four-Part Chorale
Hymn/Chorale	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	(G Major) Three-Part Chorale

Topic 2: Chord Inversion Sequences / Black Key Scales

Lesson Goals			
Comfort in playing sequences of chord inversions.			
Developing facility with the topography of the black key scales through scales and reading drills.			
Activity Type / Title with Links Instructions/Comments			Instructions/Comments
	Video	Visualizing Chord Inversions on the Keyboard	Watch Instructional Videos
	Keyboard Awareness	Chord Inversion Visualizations	View these "Triad and Inversion Visualizations". After viewing these, practice the "Eight-Beat Inversion Drill."

Technique	Eight-Beat Inversion Drill	Follow the steps outlined in this drill to play sequences of chord inversions easily. Be sure to use all indicated fingerings
Listening	Aural Playback: Bugle Calls (Inversions of Bb)	Play back the patterns that you hear on the audio track.
Reading	Reading 11.2: Chord Inversion Sequence	Choose as needed.
Transposition	Bb, Eb, A, and F Instruments (Inversions)	Play these examples at concert pitch.
Score Reading	Finger Substitutions (3 Staves, 2 Hands)	
Score Reading	Soldier's March by Robert Schumann (4 Staves, 2 Clefs)	This reading uses treble and bass clefs.
Score Reading	Jesu, Salvator mundi by Menegali (SAT)	Play each part separately, then all combinations of two parts. Play all three parts using the right hand for the soprano and alto and the left hand for the tenor.
Repertoire	Wiedersehen, Op. 117, No. 24 by C. Gurlitt	C Major, 6/8: Uses inversion sequences.
Collaborative Piano	Non più andrai by W. A. Mozart (accompanying)	Broken chord accompaniment (I-V7), HT chord inversions of C major.
Ensemble	The Beautiful Blue Danube by J. Strauss	Multiple Keyboard Ensemble. (6 players) Part 2 makes extensive use of inversions.
Technique	Scales: 'Black Key' Fingering Principle Db/Bb & Gb/Eb Maj/Min; F & B Maj/Min (1-Octave, HT)	(1-Octave, HT) These eight scales use the same fingering principle. F,B,Db,Gb Maj / F,B,Bb,Eb Min