

Diminished Interval Basics

A **diminished** interval is created by decreasing a perfect interval or a minor interval by 1/2 step.

Examples

m3 minor 3rd dim 3 diminished 3rd P5 Perfect 5th dim 5 diminished 5th

dim 2 dim 3 dim 4 dim 5 dim 6 dim 7 dim 8

unison 1 whole step 2 whole steps 3 whole steps 3-1/2 whole steps 4-1/2 whole steps 5-1/2 whole steps

Name each interval. Make sure to indicate if it is diminished (dim), perfect (P) or minor (m).

Examples

dim 5 P4 dim 8 dim 3 m2 dim 6

1

2

3

4