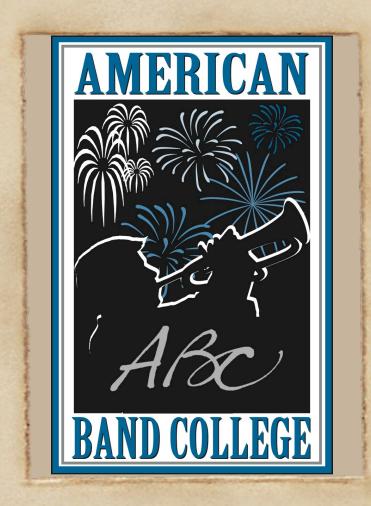
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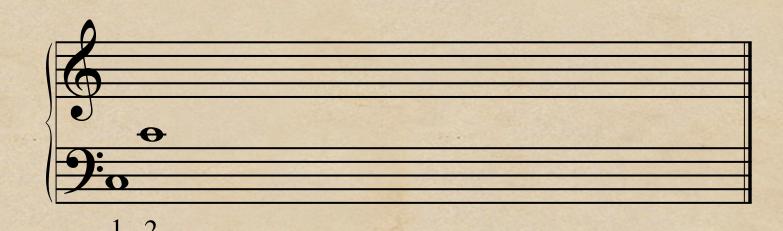
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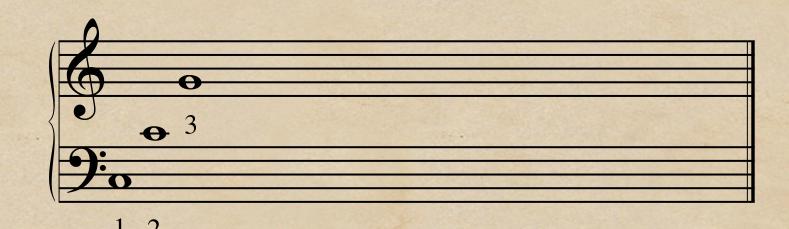


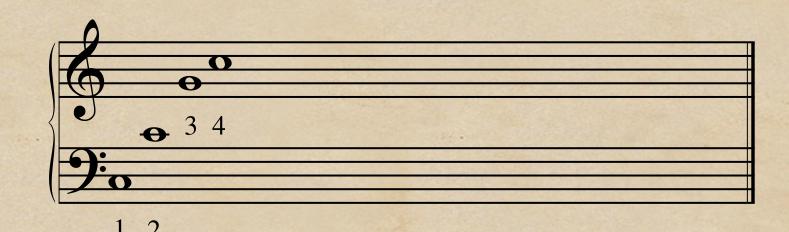
Overtone Series Part 1

BUILDING THE SERIES



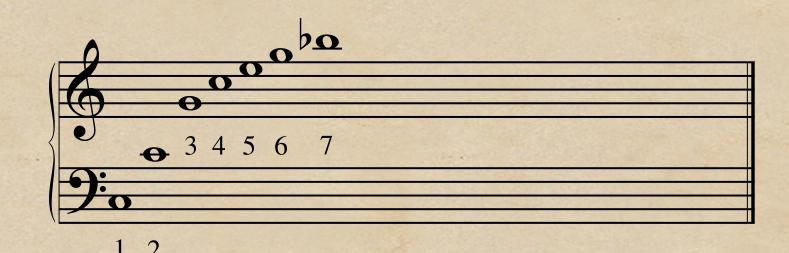


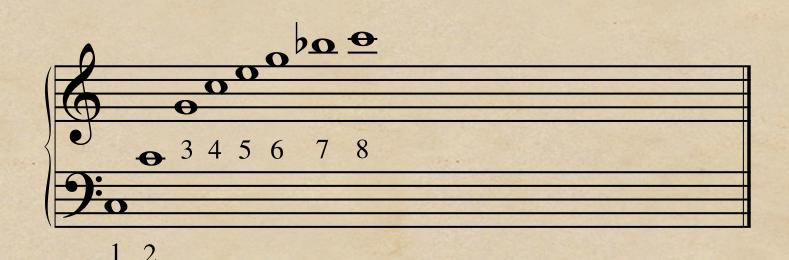


























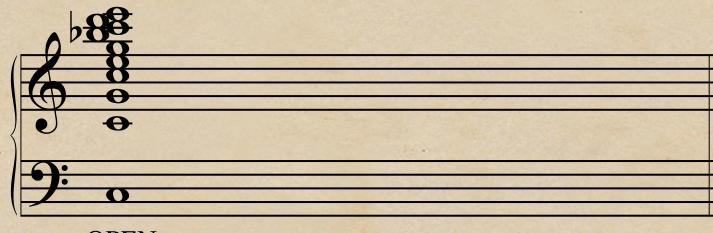


Overtone Series Part 2

THE SEVEN SERIES



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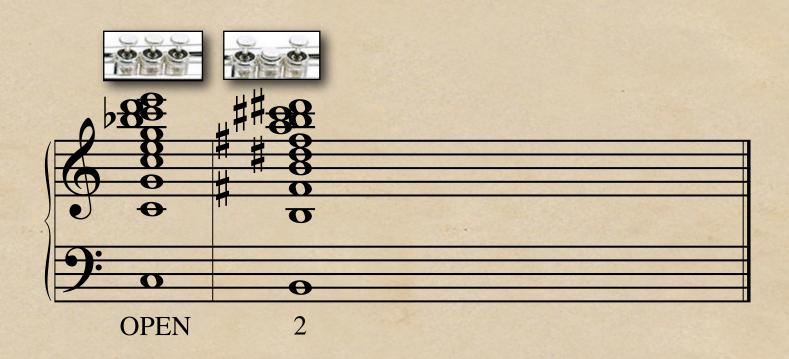


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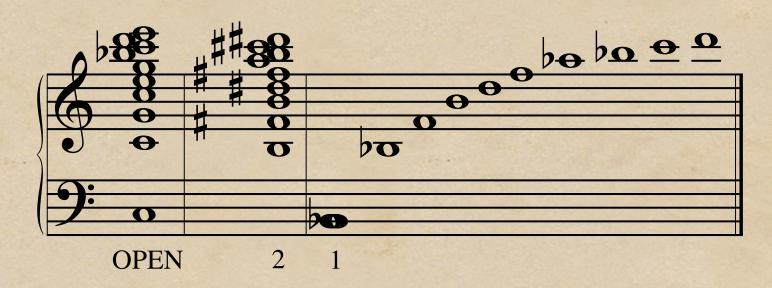
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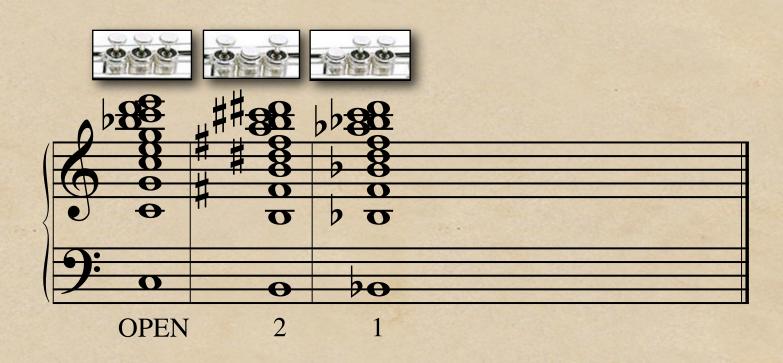






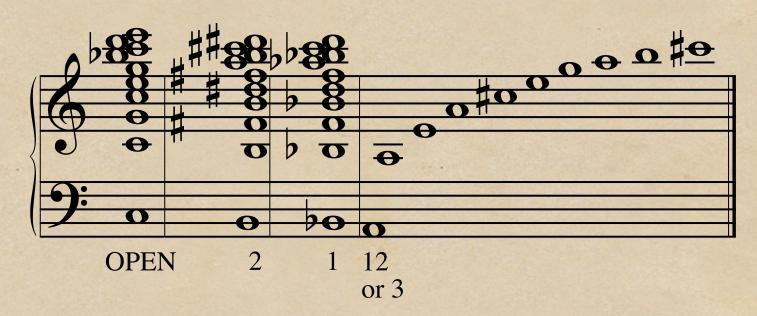
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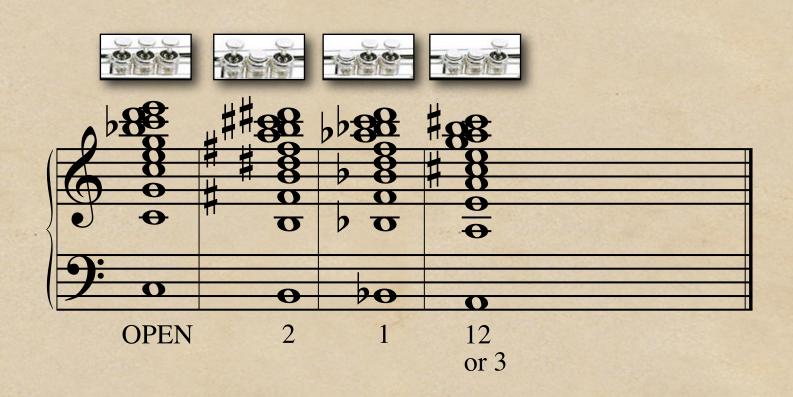




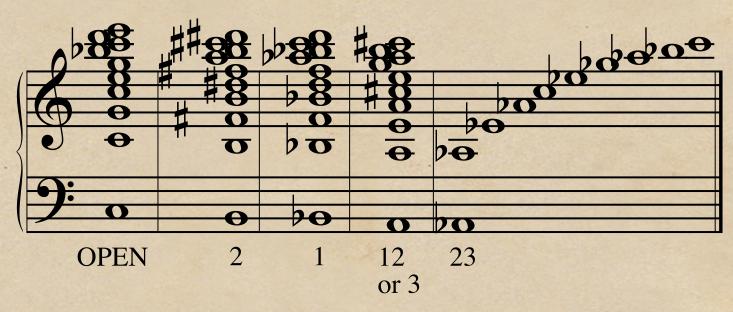


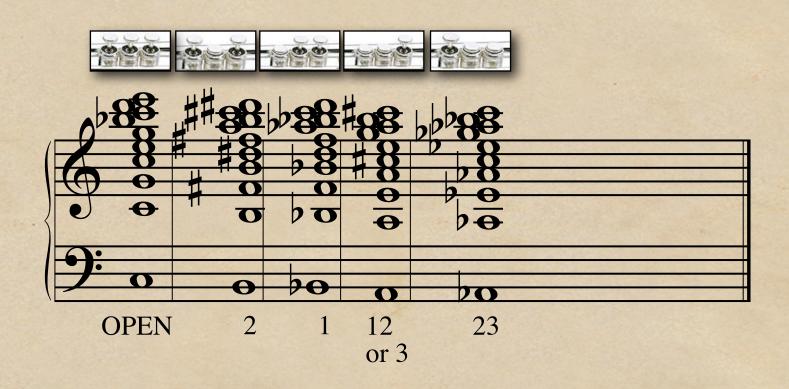
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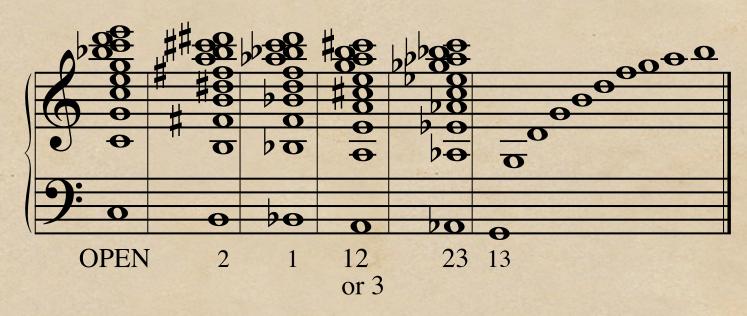


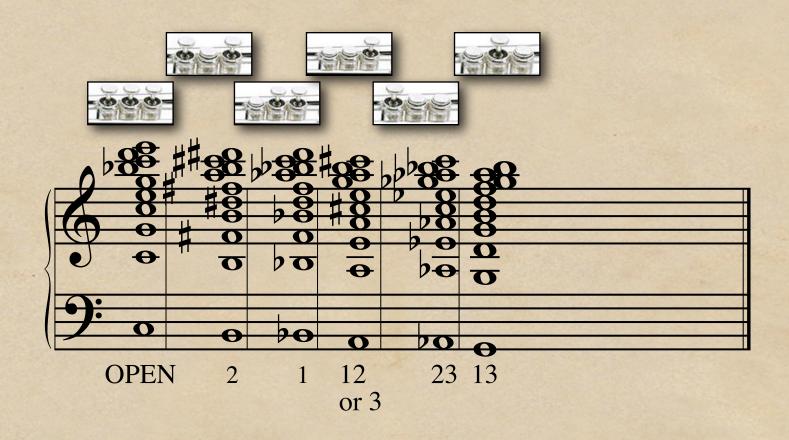






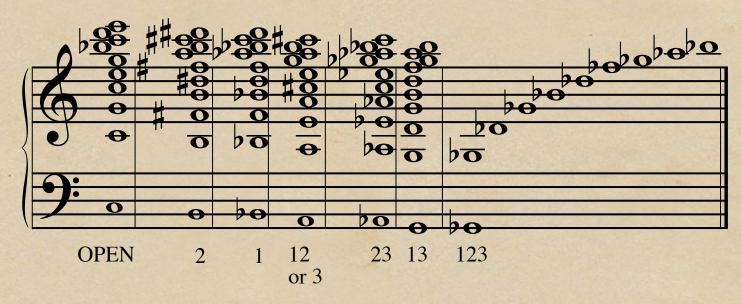
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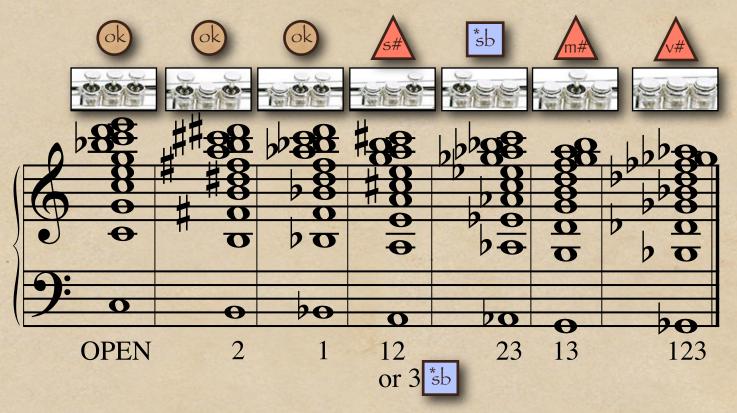




Gb Series (123)



Overtone Series Pitch Tendencies (valves)



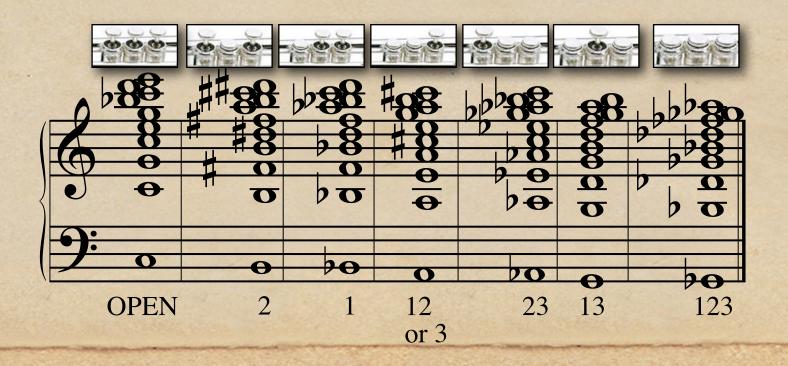
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Overtone Series Part 3a

ALL POSSIBLE FINGERINGS

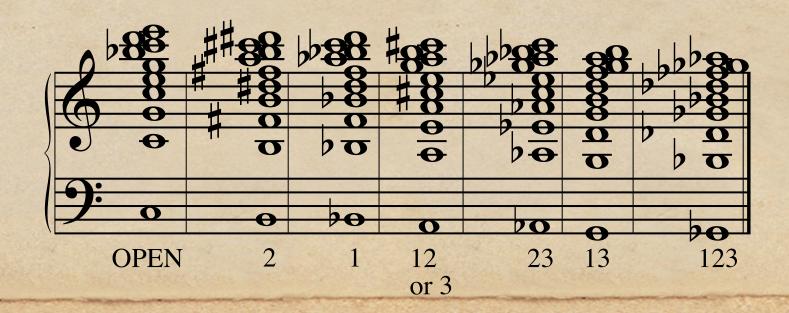
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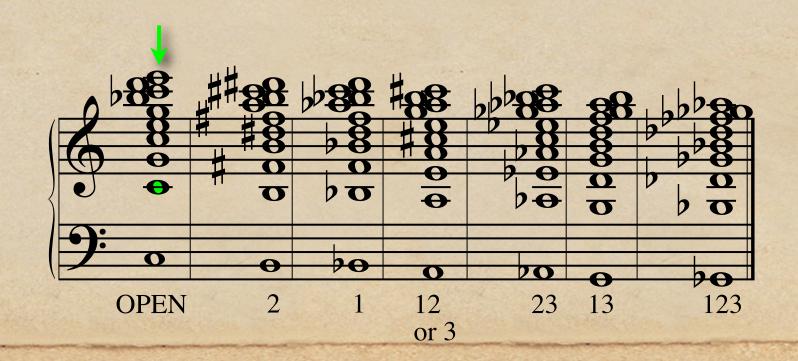
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• Check for given note NONE



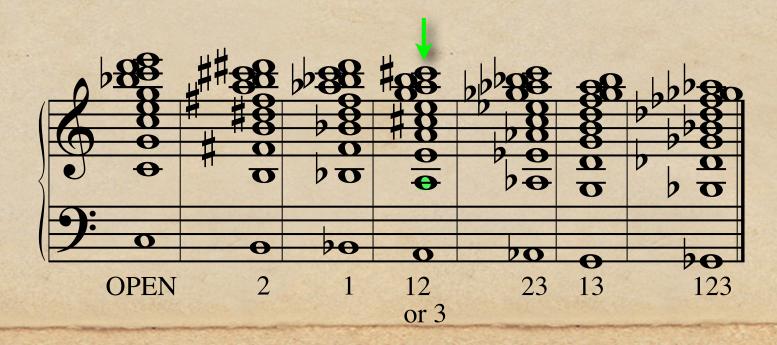
• Check for given note NONE SIMAJER

* Think down Major 3rd, check for series OPEN



• Check for given note NONE PERFECT 5TH

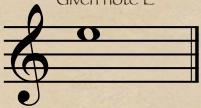
- Think down Major 3rd, check for series OPEN
- Think down Perfect 5th, check for series 12 OR 3



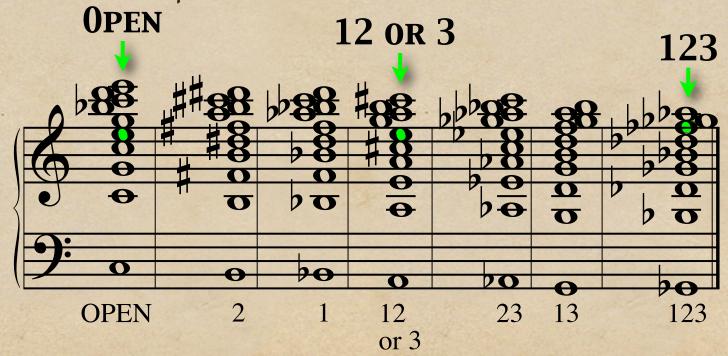
• Check for given note NONE TO HOMEN 7TH

- ◆ Think down Major 3rd, check for series OPEN
- Think down Perfect 5th, check for series 12 OR 3
- Think down minor 7th, check for series 123





• There are 4 possible fingerings:

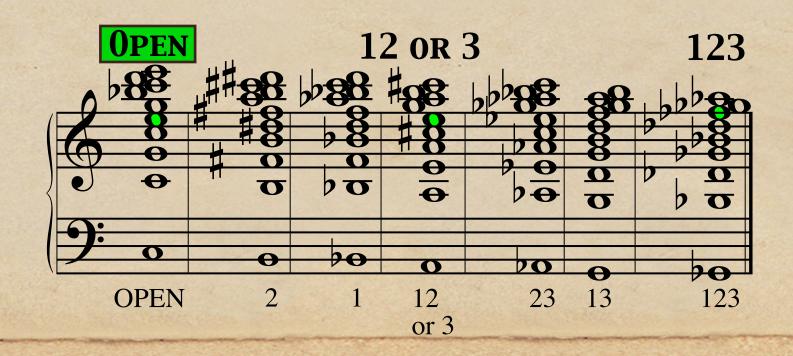


Overtone Series Part 3b

CHOOSE PREFERRED FINGERING

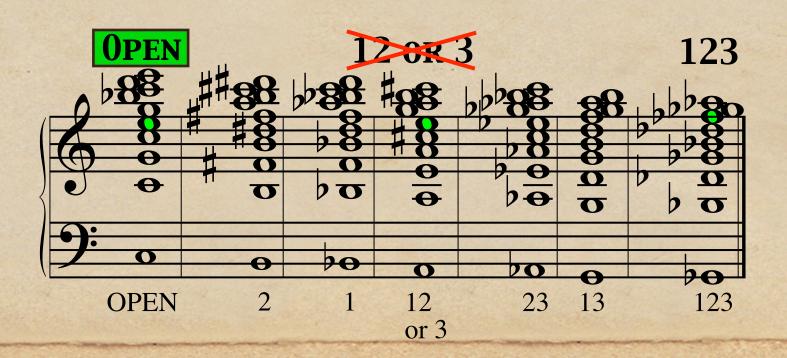
- Least number of valves,
- Unless it involves 3rd valve,
- Or is the 7th partial

Least number of valves



Least number of valves,

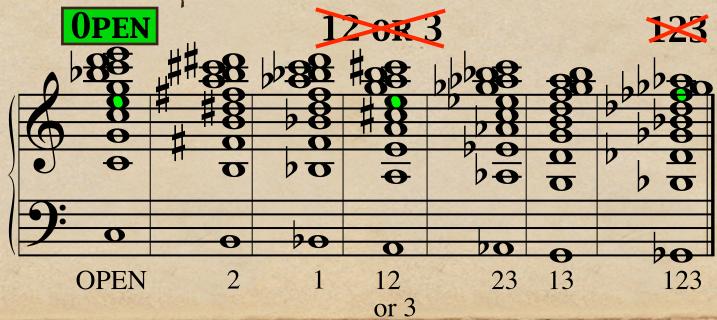
Unless it involves 3rd valve



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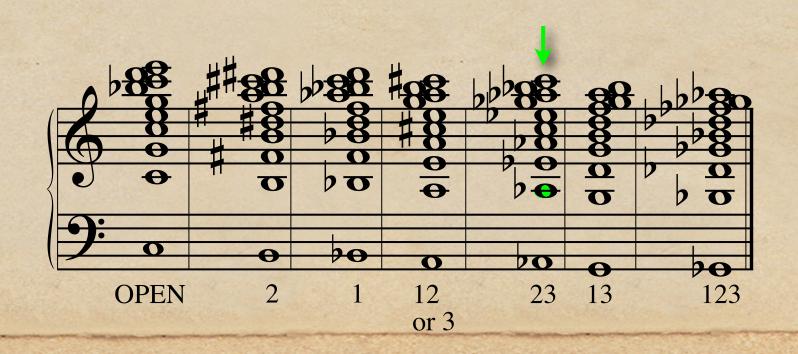
Unless it involves 3rd valve,

· Or is the 7th partial



• Check for given note 23

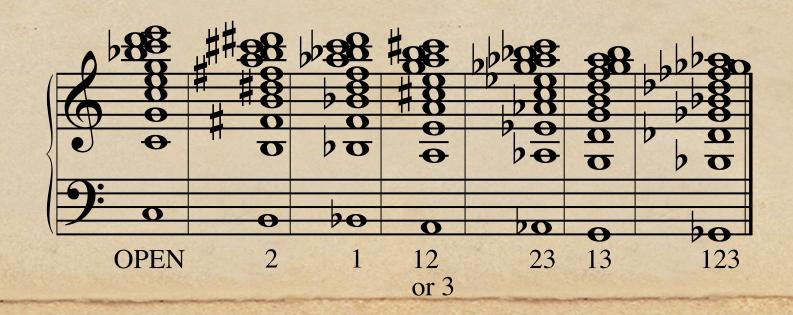




8 MAJOR 3RD

• Check for given note 23

Think down Major 3rd, check for series NONE

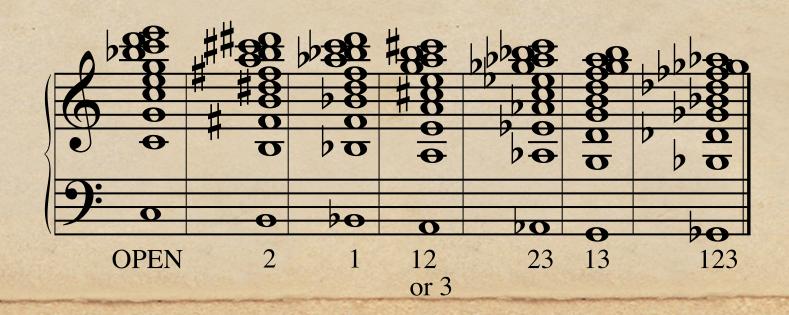




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Think down Perfect 5th, check for series NONE

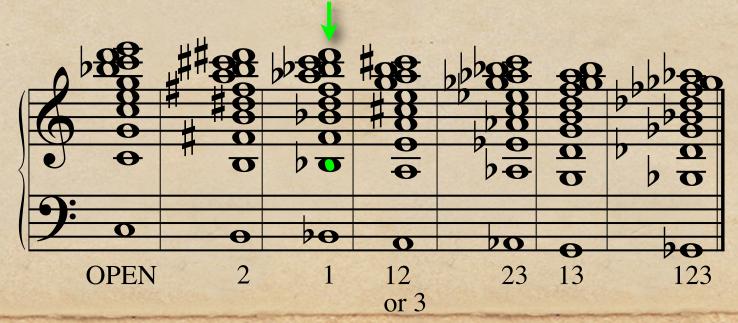


• Check for given note 23

◆ Think down Major 3rd, check for series NONE

Think down Perfect 5th, check for series NONE

Think down minor 7th, check for series



MAJOR 9TH

• Check for given note 23

◆ Think down Major 3rd, check for series NONE

- Think down Perfect 5th, check for series NONE
- Think down minor 7th, check for series

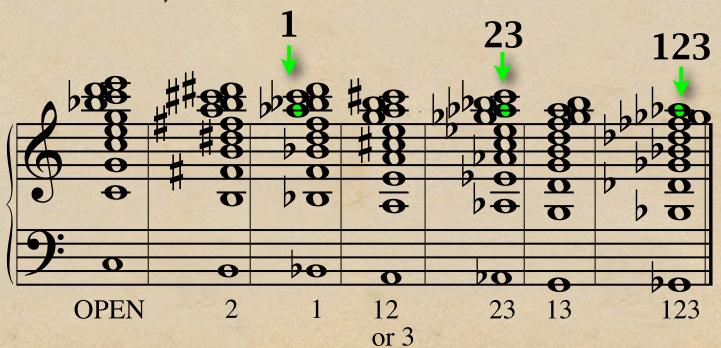
• Think down Major 9th, check for series 123

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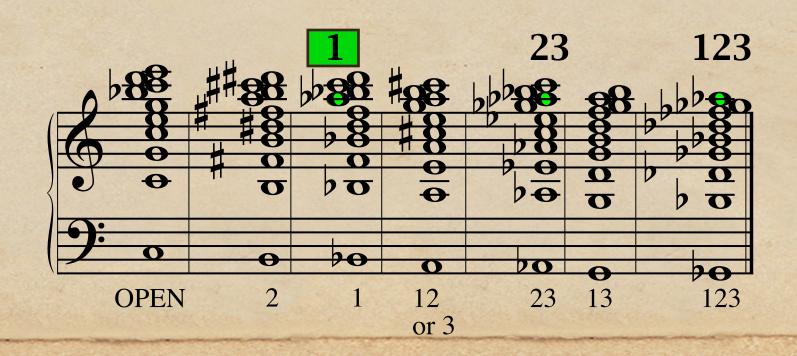
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• There are 3 possible fingerings:



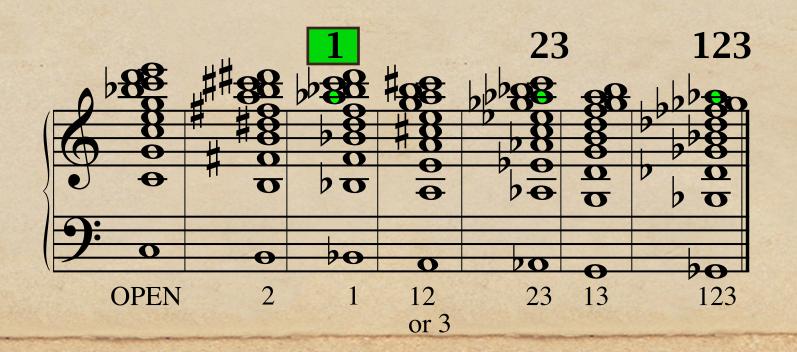
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Least number of valves





- Least number of valves
- Unless it involves 3rd valve

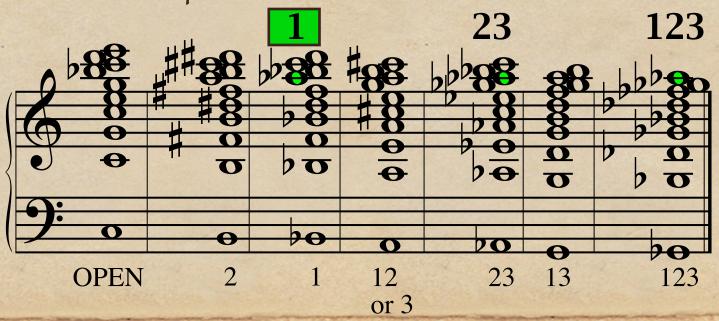




Least number of valves

Unless it involves 3rd valve

· Or is the 7th partial

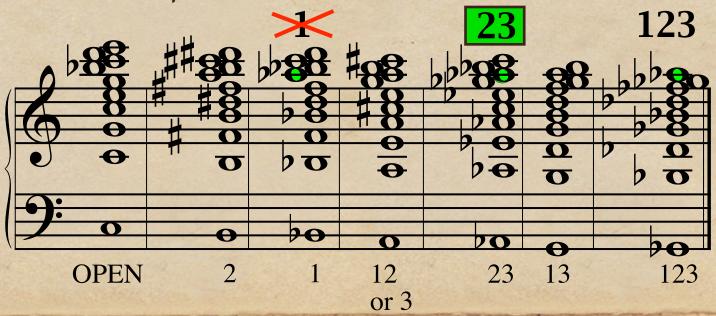




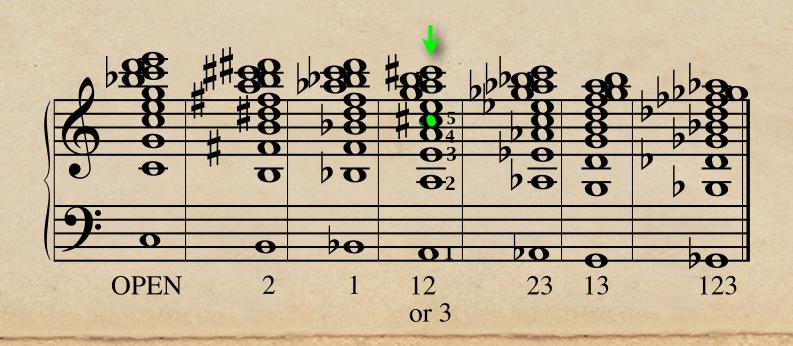
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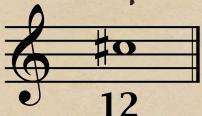
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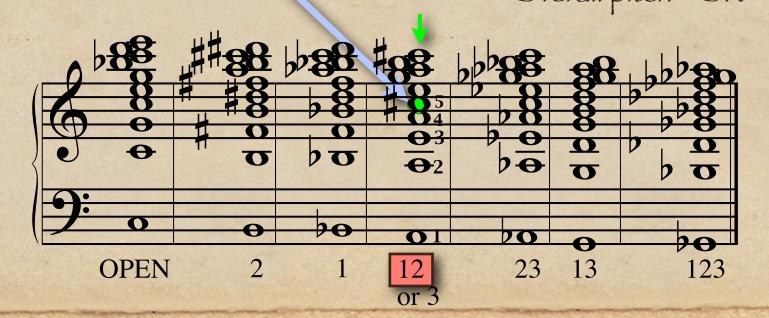




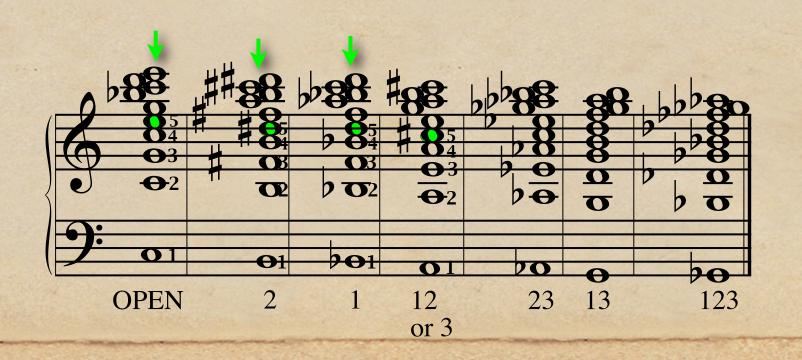


5, 10 = Flat

5th partial = flat 12 valve combo = sharp Overall pitch = OK







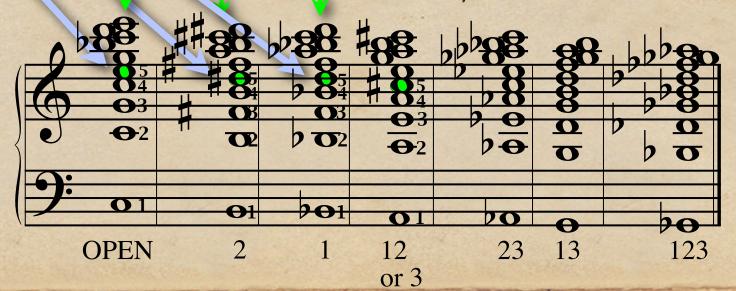






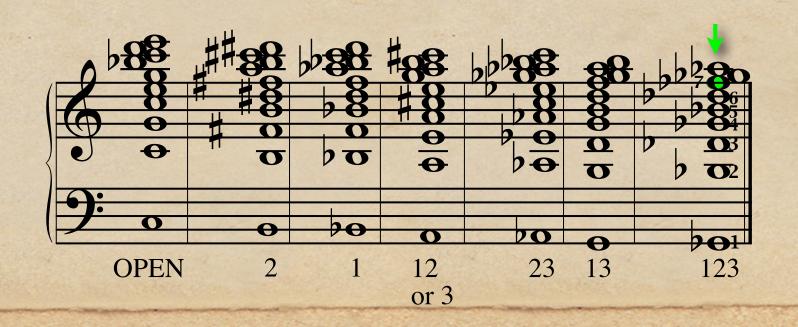
5, 10 = Flat **OPEN**

5th partials = flat valves = ok overall pitch = flat





7th Partial Usage

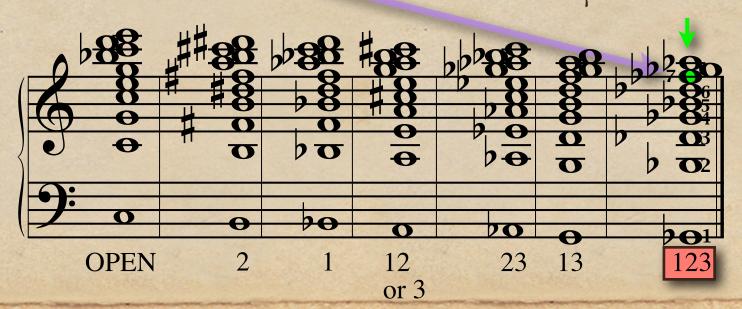


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7th Partial Usage

7, 14 = Very Flat

7th partial = very flat 123 valve combo = v. sharp Overall pitch = OK



Overtone Series Part 4

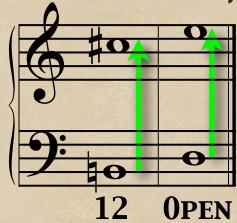
TRUMPET RELATED TO OTHER BRASS

Overtone Series B.C. Baritone to Trumpet



Go up Major 9th, then think trumpet fingerings

Overtone Series Tuba to Trumpet



Go up two Octaves + Major 2nd, then think trumpet fingerings

Overtone Series Horn (F side) to Trumpet



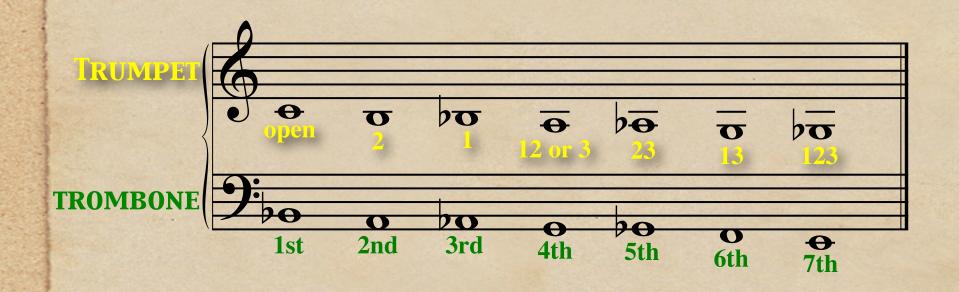
Go up Octave, then think trumpet fingerings

Overtone Series Horn (Bb side) to Trumpet



Go up perfect 5th, then think trumpet fingerings

Overtone Series Trombone & Trumpet Relationship











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