

Bass Scale Degrees – a critical shortcut to analysis

Bass notes tend to support certain harmonies.
Each is listed at the bottom as a scale degree in a key.

(Chart is not comprehensive!)

		P ^{6/4}					
		V ^{4/3}		V ^{4/2}			
		ii		IV	V ^{6/4}	IV ⁶	vii ^{o7}
	I	vii ^{o6}	I ⁶	ii ⁶	V	vi	V ⁶
Bass S.D.:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7