## QUICK REFERENCE TABLE FOR PMX, Version 2.3, February 2001 by Don Simons (dsimons@logicon.com)

This table defines legal PMX symbols. Each one starts with a single character from a non-indented line, followed by characters from subsequent indented lines, with no internal spaces. When characters on the same line are separated by commas, only one can be used, unless otherwise noted. Characters enclosed in [] are optional. Several characters, chosen from different lines that are indented the same amount, may be used in sequence. d1, d2 are single digits, so for example d1[d2] is a one- or two-digit integer. i is any non-negative integer. x is any non-negative decimal number.

a,b,c,d,e,f,g	Note name.	Z	Chordal note. No duration
[0,2,4,8,1,	If first digit, duration. Must in-		allowed.
3,6,9]	clude if duration not yet set in	a,b,c,d,e,f,g	Note name.
0,0,0]	current input block.	[f,s,n]	Flat, sharp, natural. Repeat for
[1,2,3,4,5,	If second digit, Octave number.		double flat or sharp. Shift op-
6,7]	Must include if octave not yet		tions same as on main note.
0,11	set in current input block.	[+,-]	Up or down one octave. may use
[d]	Dot.	L', J	several in succession.
[+x]	Vertical shift, \internotes.	[r,e]	Right or left offset by one
[+x]	Horiz. shift, notehead widths.		notehead.
[d]	Double dot.	[d]	Dot. Permitted but not required,
[f,s,n]	Accidental. Repeat for double.		unless dot is to be shifted.
[+, -i +, -x]	Vertical shift, \internotes; horiz.	[+, -x]	Vertical shift, \internotes.
	shift, notehead widths.	[+, -x]	Horiz. shift, notehead widths.
[<,> x]	Horiz. shift, notehead widths.		
[i]	MIDI-only accidental.	r	Rest.
[+,-]	Shift octave from default (default	[0,2,4,8,1,	Duration. Must include if dura-
L', J	is within a 4th).	3,6,9]	tion not yet set in current input
[u,1]	Force stem direction.		block.
[u,1]	Prohibit beaming this note.	[d]	Dot.
[r]	Right offset by one notehead.	[p]	Full-bar rest using 'Pause' sym-
[e]	Left offset by one notehead.		bol (no digit).
	Dot shortcut: $a8.b = ad8 b1$	[m <i>i</i> ]	Multi-bar rest of <i>i</i> bars. Voice
[,]	2:1 shortcut: $a8,b = a8$ b1		#1 only. Normally only used in
[D]	In xtuplet note only, double du-	<b>F</b> - <b>7</b>	parts, generated by scor2prt.
נען	ration. Reduce number of notes	[b]	Blank rest, not printed (this line
			of music drops from sight).
[17]	in xtup by 1.	[o]	Suppress centering full-bar rest.
[F]	As above, and add dot.	[+,- <i>i</i> ]	Raise/lower rest from middle
	An <i>i</i> -tuplet starts here. Duration		line, \internotes.
	(already set) refers to total for	[x <i>i</i> ]	Start xtup. After above options.
	xtuplet. Next $i-1$ notes or rests		See description for main note.
	are in xtuplet. They must have	G	Grace note group.
	no duration number; may have	[ <i>i</i> ]	Number of notes in group. Not
[]	octave number.		needed if 1. If >1, next $i - 1$
[n]	Fine-tune printed number.		notes are in grace.
(blank)	Don't print number.	[s]	Slur to/from main note.
[f]	Flip vertical location.	[m d1]	Multiplicity (number of flags or
	Replacement printed number.		beams). Default is 1.
[+,- <i>i</i> ]	Vertical shift, \internotes.	[x]	Slash. Single grace only.
[+, - x]	Horiz. shift, notehead widths.	[l,u]	Forced stem direction.
		[A,W]	Put grace just after main note, or
			shifted as far right as possible.
		(first note)	Must follow the above options,
			with no space. Use same sym-

bols as normal note.

0	Ornament. Symbol comes after	A
+	note. Shake, mordent, "x", "+",	Г÷ -
t,m,x,+,u,p, (,),_,.,>,^	pizz., strong pizz., "(" before	[i,] [d]
(,),_,.,/,	notehead, ")" after notehead,	[a]
	tenuto, stacc., sfz, duncecap	[a <i>x</i> ]
f		[a:l]
_	Fermata. Default is up.	Гъ
[d]	Convert to down fermata.	[b,s
T,Tt	Trill $(tr)$ with or without wavy	[r]
<b>F</b> 3	line.	
[x]	Length to end of wavy line,	[e]
	\noteskips. Default is one	[S]
	$\$ Noteskip. Use oT0 for $tr$ .	
g	Segno. Voice #1 only.	
[[-] <i>d1</i> [ <i>d1</i> ]]	Offset of segno symbol in points.	-,(
е	Editorial accidental.	
s,f,n	Sharp, flat, natural.	В
[?]	Editorial accidental is dubious.	
?	Text is dubious.	
[+,- <i>i</i> ]	(After setting ornament type)	C
	Raise/lower by $i$ \internotes	t,s
	from default.	b,f
[:]	Repeat toggle. Must come last.	
	First instance, after setting or-	D
	nament type, gives all later	_
	notes same ornament, until o:	p,p "tex
	shuts it off.	[+]
s,t,)	Slur toggle. Place after note.	L':
(	Placed before note, same as <b>s</b>	[-
	placed after.	L L
[ <i>c</i> ]	Optional ID code, $1-9$ or $A-Z$ .	
	Must be first after s,t,(,) .	F
[u,d,1]	Force slur direction. Only al-	
	lowed at slur start.	
[t]	Position slur end as tie rather	h,w
	than slur.	
[b]	Dotted slur.	
[+,- <i>i</i> ]	Raise/lower start/end of slur,	x
	\internotes.	[i
[+, - x]	Horizontal shift start/end of slur,	
	notehead widths.	h
[+,- <i>i</i> ]	Mid-height alteration, nonzero,	
	place before slur termination.	
[:d1d2]	Alter starting and ending slope,	[+,-
	1-7.	
L	1	L

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A	Miscellaneous controls. Only at
	start of first block except i , I
[i,I x]	Factor on <b>\interstaff</b>
[d]	Lower dots in lower voice of 2 on
	a staff
[ax]	Change afterruleskip to $x$
	\elemskips. Default is 1.
[b,s]	Force big or small accidentals.
[r]	Relative accidentals. Must be set
	if transposing.
[e]	Equalize inter-system spacing.
[S]	Tweak accidental spacing for
	staves made small with in-line
	TeX.
-,0;;-,0	A string of yes-or-no specifiers,
,0,,,0	one for each staff.
В	Toggles default stem direction for
	middle line of bass clef. intial
	direction is up).
С	Clef change.
t,s,m,a,n,r,	New clef. (treble, soprano,
b,f or 0-7	mezzo-soprano, alto, tenor,
	baritone, <b>b</b> ass), <b>F</b> rench violin.
D	Dynamics.
p,pp,,ffff	Pre-defined standard dynamics.
"text"	Any text string.
[+,- <i>n</i> ]	Vertical shift from default,
L , / J	\internotes.
[+,- <i>n</i> ]	Horizontal shift from default,
[, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	notehead widths.
F	Cancels figures in bass line (use
	with %1 in score file to make a
	bass part with no figures).
h,w	If followed by number, page
	height or width. Only at start
	of first input block.
x	Page height or width.
[i,m,p]	Inches, mm, points. Default is
	points.
h	If followed by blank or [+,-],
	heading. Next input line will
	print above top staff.
[+,- <i>i</i> ]	Alter height from default,
L', <sup>(</sup> )	\internote
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I	MIDI controls. Only at start of	m	Meter change. Voice $\#1$ only.
	an input block.		Start of input block only.
[t <i>x</i> ]	Set tempo to $x$ beats per minute.	o, <i>d1</i> [ <i>d2</i> ]	True numerator of meter. Use o
[p <i>x</i> ]	Insert a pause of $x$ quarter notes.		if full value is exactly 1. If $d1=1$ ,
[i <i>i1i2in</i> ]	Specify noinst MIDI instru-		numerator is $10+d2$ .
	ments. $i1, i2in$ are integers	d1[d2]	True denominator.
	between 1 and 128 or 2-letter	o, <i>d1</i> [ <i>d2</i> ]	Printed numerator of meter. Use
	abbreviations. Consecutive in-	- ,	o as above.
	tegers must be separated with	d1[d2]	Printed denominator.
	":".	d1[d2]/	(Alternate syntax) true numer-
[v <i>i1:i2:in</i> ]	Specify noinst velocities (vol-		ator
	umes), $1 \le i \le 128$ .	d1[d2]/	true denominator
[b <i>i1:i2:in</i> ]	Specify noinst balances $1 \le i \le 120$ .	d1[d2]/	printed numerator
	$1 \le i \le 128, 64 = center.$	d1[d2]	printed numerator
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[g <i>i</i> ]	Internote gap in midi tics. De- fault = $10$	M	Macro. If alone, ends recording
			or saving.
[MR <i>i</i> ]	Start recording macro $i$ .	[R,S,P]	Record (store and execute), save
[M]	Stop recording.		(store but do not execute), or
[MP <i>i</i> ]	Playback (insert) macro <i>i</i> .		playback.
К	Key signature change and/or	i	Macro ID number, from 1 to 20.
	transposition.	Р	Start page numbering in this
+,- i	Amount of transposition in		page. Voice $\#1$ only. Start of
	\internotes.		input block only.
+,- i	New key signature.	[ <i>i</i> ]	Starting page number. Default is
1	Next input line is a text string to		1.
	appear below top staff.	[r,1]	Margin for starting page number.
Li	Force a line break at line <i>i</i> . Voice		Default is 'r'.
	#1 only. Start of block only.	[c]	Centered header on each page.
[P <i>i</i> ]	Force a page break at page $i$ .		Must be last option in symbol.
[M]	Movement break. Must follow P		Default text is instrument name
	if present.	[text]	Text with no blanks
[+ <i>i</i> ]	Extra vertical space,	[" <i>text</i> "]	Text with blanks
	Vinternote.	R	Repeat or doublebar. Voice $\#1$
[i <i>x</i> ]	New indent, decimal fraction of	1	only. Doublebars at start of bar
	line width.		0
[_]			only.
[c]	Continue bar numbering, do not	l,r,lr,d,D,dl	Left repeat, right repeat, l-
Г., <b>,</b> ]	reset.		r rpt, doublebar, doubleBAR,
[r +,-]	Force or suppress reprinting in-	,	doublebar-left repeat.
r 7	strument names.	b	Single bar (end of movement or
[n <i>i</i> ]	Change to $i$ instruments.		piece).
d1d2di	Numbers of instruments.	Si	Reset total number of systems to
c1c2ck	Clef symbols. Enter one for every		<i>i</i> . Only at start of first input
	staff in new lineup.		block. Only useful with $\ j$ for
			automatically generated parts.
		[P <i>i</i> ]	Force total number of pages to be
			<i>i</i> .

Т	Title string. Only at start of first	[	Start a forced beam.
	input block.	[j]	Continue an existing staff-
t[ <i>d1</i> [ <i>d2</i> ]],i,c	Title of piece (centered), instru-		jumping beam.
	ment (left justified), or com-	[u,1]	Direction of forced beam.
	poser (right justified). Follow-	[f]	Flip beam direction.
	ing line is the text. Tt may be	[m d1]	Forced multiplicity. $d1 = 1 - 4$ .
	followed by a number (\inter-	[h]	Force horizontal beam (zero
	notes) to add vertical space be-		slope).
	low entire title block. Tt must	[+,- <i>i</i> ]	Vertical offset, \internotes.
	come after Ti and Tc for this to	[+,- <i>i</i> ]	Change slope from default.
	work.	[+, -i]	Distance to raise or lower beam,
		L', 01	bistance to raise of lower beam, beam thk's.
V	Toggle for Volta. Voice $\#1$		
	only. Start of bar only. For	]	End forced beam.
	scor2prt, only allowed one per	[j]	Keep beam open, prepare to
	input block, and it must come		jump to other staff
<b>.</b>	at start of block.	][	Between two notes in a forced
[text]	Text for start of volta. May not		beam, decrease multiplicity to
	be "b" or "x".		1, then immediately increase.
b,x	At end of volta, boxed end or		Treated as a single symbol, set
	horizontal (no box).		off by spaces.
W	Set new minimum horizontal	]-[	Between two notes in forced
	space between noteheads.		beam, end one segment and
•	Decimal point (required).		start next of a single-slope beam
d1	Tenths of notehead width. De-		group
	fault is 3.	(	Placed before a note, equivalent
x	Floating figure (offset to right).		to <b>s</b> after note.
d1	Number of note-length units of		Equivalent to s .
	offset.	· ·	
d2	Note-length unit. Same code as	?	Arpeggio start/stop. Comes af-
	for note durations.		ter note.
2,3,,9,	Characters for floating figure, ar-	\\\\	Start a literal $T_EX$ string before
#,-,n,0 <i>d</i> 1	ranged as in normal figure.		next note, before \startmuflex,
X	Shift or insert hardspace.		or before first \notes group of
$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ [-] x \end{bmatrix}$	Distance. Default units are note-		current input block.
	head widths.	$Text \land$	TeX string and terminator. May
[]			have more than one TeX com-
[q] [:]	Units are points. Begin shift (if number		mand, strung end-to-end.
	Begin shift (if number also present), end shift (if no	(3 minus's)	Toggle for multiline T <sub>E</sub> X block.
			Must start on first line. All lines
[a]	number),		until next will be copied
[S]	Single-note shift (S).		verbatim to top of $T_EX$ file.
[P]	Use only in part, not score.	[]]	Bar line. Only used for checking,
[B]	Use in both score and part.		except required after end-of-bar
2,3,,9,#,-,n	Normal figure. Voice $\#1$ only.		inserted hardspace.
	Combine characters as needed.		Terminate a voice (staff) for this
	See manual.	/	input block.
0 (zero)	Continuation figure.		*
d1	Length in \internotes.	//	Terminate first line of music on
$_{-}$ (underscore)	Placeholder figure, to lower the		this staff for this input block,
	next one.		start a second line of music on
			same staff.

%	Comment line.
[h] text	Scor2prt will put <i>text</i> into the
	part whose hexadecimal number
	is h.
[!] <i>text</i>	text will be put in all parts by
	scor2prt.
[%]	Following line will be ignored by
	scor2prt.
•	Detatched dot-form shortcut.
note command	Note will have $1/3$ duration of
	prior note. See note name
	command.
,	Detatched 2:1 shortcut. Note
note command	will have $1/2$ duration of prior
	note. See note name command.