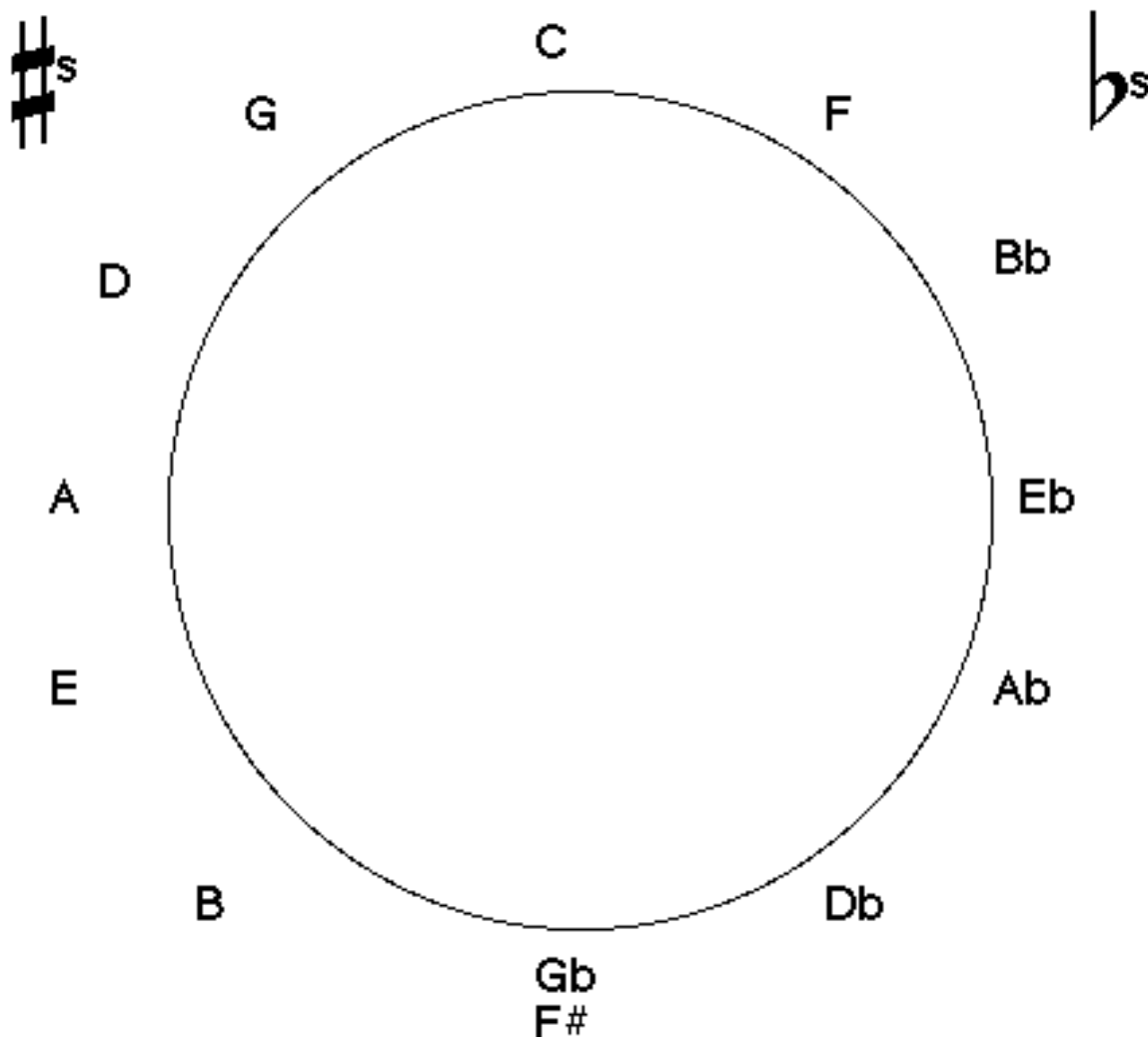


The Circle (or Cycle) below is intended to aid in memorizing the order of sharps and flats in major key signatures.

1. Start at "C" at the top, which represents the key of C Major with no sharps or flats.
2. Move around the circle to the right, toward "F" to cycle through the keys with flats. i.e. The key of F Major has one (1) flat.
3. Move around the circle to the left, toward "G" to cycle through the keys with sharps. i.e. The key of G Major has one (1) sharp.
4. Use the sentences below to memorize the order of sharps and flats as they appear in the major key signatures. The first letter of each word represents a sharp or flat found in the key signature.
5. Take notice that the sentences are the same forward and backward!

Cycle of 4ths and 5ths





Order of #s and b,s



Father **C**harles **G**oes **D**own **A**nd **E**nds **B**attle

Battle **E**nds **A**nd **D**own **G**oes **C**harles **F**ather

