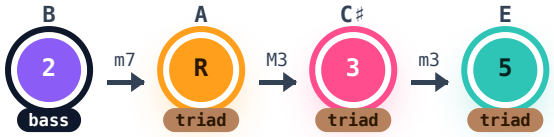
A/B Guitar Chord Chart

A major triad over the 2nd · notes B A C♯ E · formula 2 1 3 5 · 3 voicings

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The formula

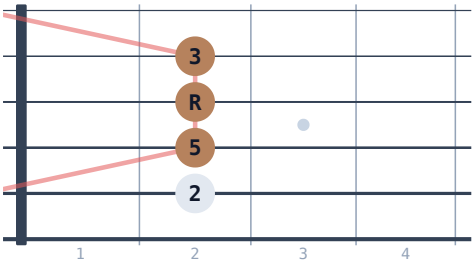


- **Triad note** root, 3rd or 5th, played in its place
- **Substitute** an extension on a triad note's string
- **Added** an extension on a string of its own
- **Anchored root** the root on the string below
- **Bass** a slash chord's bass note
- **Doubling** the same note an octave away

3 ways to play A/B

A shape · 2nd inversion

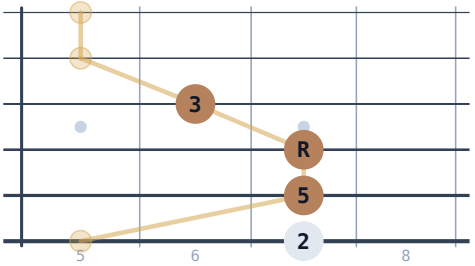
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2 5 1 3 (B E A C♯)
Base triad: A major, 2nd inversion

E shape · 2nd inversion

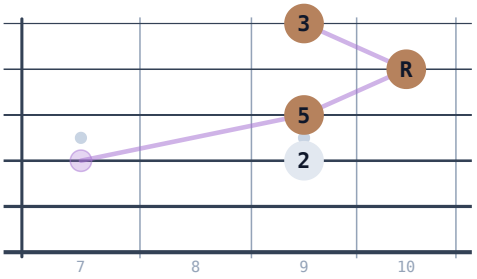
A/B



7 7 7 6 x x
2 5 1 3 (B E A C♯)
Base triad: A major, 2nd inversion

D shape · 2nd inversion

A/B



x x 9 9 10 9
2 5 1 3 (B E A C♯)
Base triad: A major, 2nd inversion

Construction rules

Start from a triad. Root, 3rd and 5th, stacked in thirds. The 3rd makes it major or minor; the 5th makes it diminished or augmented when it moves.

A slash names the bass. Chord/bass puts any note under a triad. A chord tone gives an inversion, such as C/E; another note gives a new chord: G/F is G7 with the 7th in the bass.