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HARMONISING THE MAJOR SCALE

Here is a fretboard diagram of the Major scale in the key of A.



By counting up 1 2 3 4 5 off any note on any string (within the scale) then omitting the 2 and 4, we build diatonic triads.

DIATONIC = working through a key. TRIAD = a specific 3 note grouping.

B

A△

Let's start on the note A, fret 2, G string. Count 12345 up the scale using the available scale notes on the B and top E strings. You end up with an A major triad



O = DIMINISHED

For those in the know, all of the above are ROOT POSITION, CLOSE VOICED triads.

E△

C^{#-}

D△

B-

F^{#-}

G[♯]°

A△

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