88 & 5th

Key Signatures

Sharps/flats along circle spokes: F# C# G# D# A# E# B# (FanCy Good DAyE Bee!)# Bb Eb Ab Db Gb Cb Fb (BEAD Go Cee Flats)b

To find Major Key: Sharps are keyed up: F# = G Flats are laid back: Bb Eb = Bb - Except \underline{F} irst \underline{F} lat $(B^b) = \underline{F}$

If song ends on:

* Major chord: Major Key

* Minor chord: minor Key

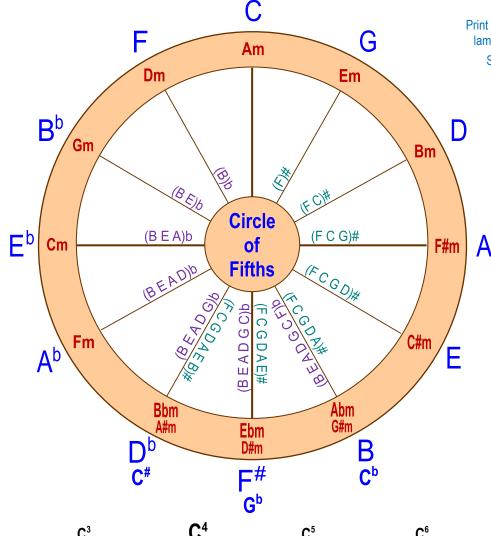
Using the Circle

Refer to accompanying page for:

- * Arch IV-I-V / ii-vi-iii vii° chords
- * House I-ii-iii / IV-V-vi-vii° chords

remaining keys to build the desired musical structure.

- * T for Tension: V7 to I
- * Trace to Transpose



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Scales / Intervals

Outer Ring: Major Scales Inner Ring: Relative minor scales

From any Major Root:

- * Counterclockwise = 4th interval
- * Clockwise = 5th interval
- * In = 6th interval (without the "m")

Chords / Notes

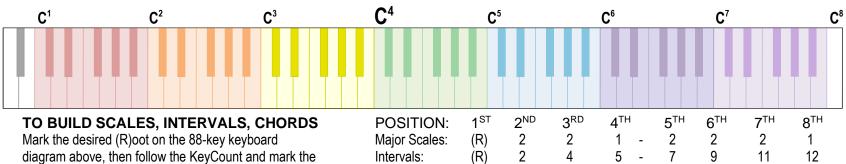
Outer Ring: Notes of octave

Major I Chords

Inner Ring: minor vi chords

From any Major I chord:

- * Counterclockwise = IV chord
- * Clockwise = V chord
- * In = minor vi chord



Major Triads:

(R)

Chords of B

Using the Circle

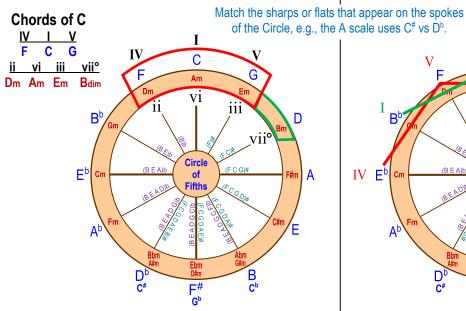
Use the Circle of Fifths to help compose songs, play by ear, develop chord progressions, and transpose.

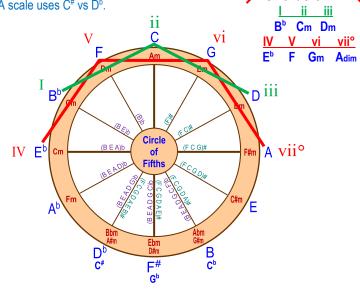
Arch the Chords

To find the 7 triad chords that can be built from the notes of a Major Scale, draw a large arch around the IV-I-V outer and ii-vi-iii inner and a small arch around the adjacent vii° chords.

House the Chords

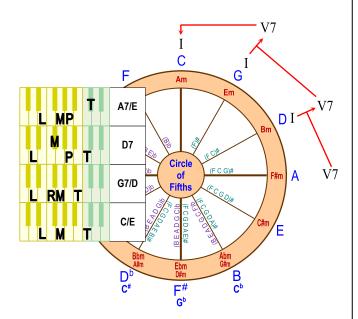
To find the triads *in order*, start with the desired Root & draw a **I-ii-iii** roof perched on top of a **IV-V-vi-vii**° house.





T for Tension

To prolong V7 chord tension, travel counterclockwise to the adjacent I chord but follow the red "T" to play it as a V7 chord. Repeat as desired until resolving to a final I chord.



Trace to Transpose Keys

Trace the original Key's chord or note pattern. Move to the desired starting chord/note and trace the same pattern.

Add chord variations (m, 7, etc.) to match.

