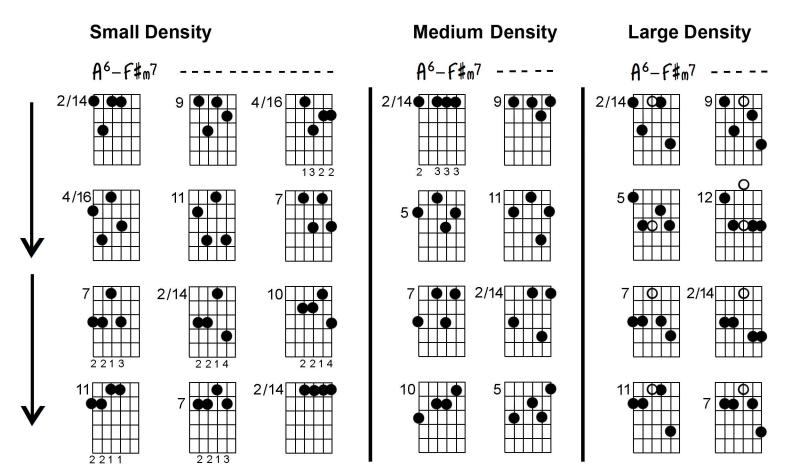
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Learn as given, then:

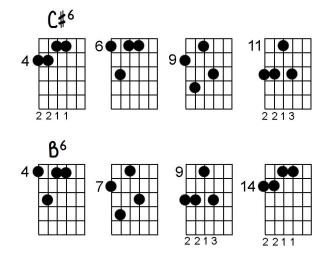
1) Practice one chord form (diagram) at a time in the cycle of 4ths as follows:

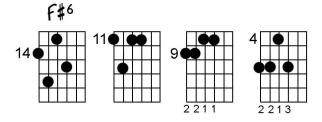
a) 6th chord: from C#6 to Fb6 (or Cb6)

b) m7th chord: from A#m7 to Dbm7

(later: B#m7 to Gbm7)

2) Practice one set of strings at a time in the cycle of 4ths as above. Alternate your direction (ascending or descending) on every other chord. Example:

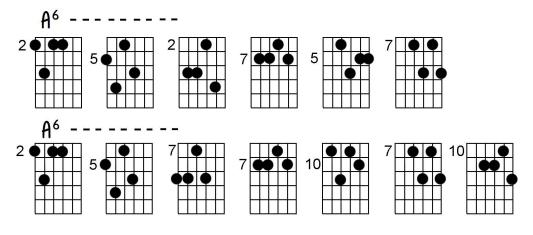




Notice that the chords are grouped in clumps of 4; you could cover more ground and use groups of 5 or 6 if you like.

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- 3) Practice each form in each of the densities, on the different *strings* in other words go *across* the page, not down it. Another way to say this is: practice the same *voicing* on different strings. Do this in the cycles as above.
- 4) Try the concept of string transference as given below (do with 6ths and m7s). Examples:

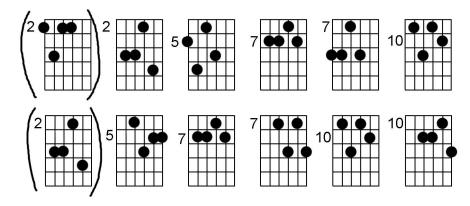


There are no rules here; challenge yourself - try lots of different "crossover" points.

Do in each density; use ascending and descending patterns; do in cycles as above.

5) Try the following pattern in each density, ascending and descending, with 6ths and m7s, in cycles as before.

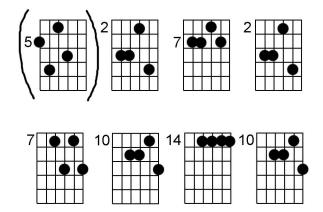
Inversion Pattern Type 1.....



Notice that by omitting the 1st chord in any inversion pattern you actually create a different pattern if you still group the remaining chords in groups of 4.

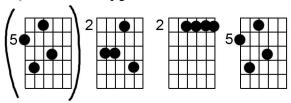
6) Another pattern - do as before: (this one uses string transference wherever you decide to use it.)

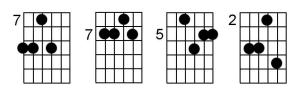
Inversion Pattern Type 2



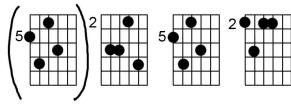
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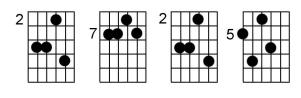
7) Pattern Type 3....as before:





8) Pattern Type 4....as before





9) Pattern Type 5....as before



4 Types: Ascending, Descending, Ascending Backwards, Descending Backwards.

In doing the descending or backwards patterns, there are 2 types of thinking. Ask for a demonstration if you are in the dark on this.

There are quite a few other patterns that sound nice (like similar groupings of 3 chords instead of 4), but these 5 patterns should be enough for a long time. Eventually, convert all of the above to the following chord types:

- 1) 7
- 2) maj 7
- 3) m6
- 4) m7b5
- 5) 9 (no root)
- 6) 7b9 (no root)
- 7) 7b9+ (no root)
- 8) 7b5
- 9) 9+ (no root)
- 10) 7+
- 11) 9b5(#11) (no root)
- 12) diminished 7
- 13) in high voicings in small density: maj9 (no root)
- 14) in high voicings in small density: m9 (no root)
- 15) /9 (raise 7th of maj9)

Please be patient with all this - it's going to take quite awhile to sink in.

Many of the chords will be difficult to

play; don't give up - continue to practice - Nature has a way of reshaping your hands.

