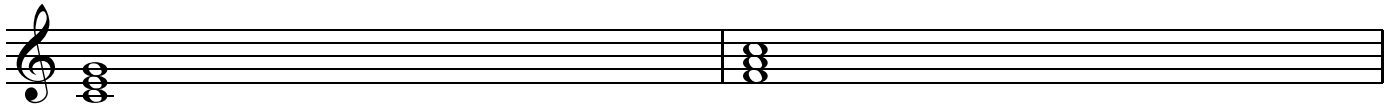


Triads - Cheat Sheet

Triad = 3 notes

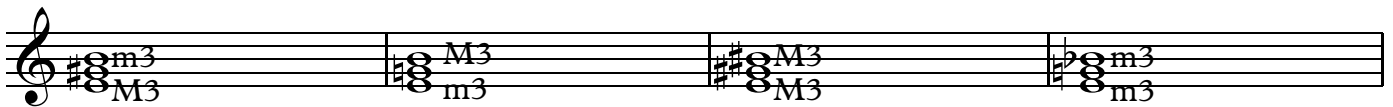
Basic triad construction - three consecutive lines or spaces. The bottom note will be the root (i.e. the note name that goes with the triad (like **C** major))



Three consecutive lines - C triad

Three consecutive spaces - F triad

Triads can be major, minor, augmented or diminished. To figure out which, check the stacking of thirds:



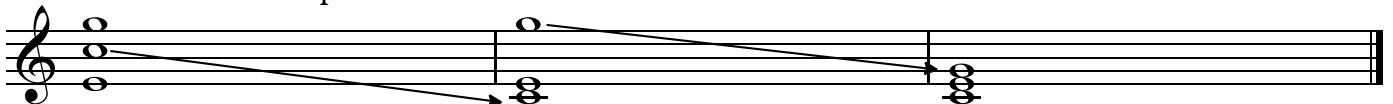
M3 + m3 =
Major triad

m3 + M3 =
Minor triad

M3 + M3 =
Augmented triad

m3 + m3 =
Diminished triad

If a triad is not in root position, you can reorder the notes until it fits into 3 consecutive lines or 3 consecutive spaces.



C Major root position

Note: You could also have moved the E up an octave to get space-space-space