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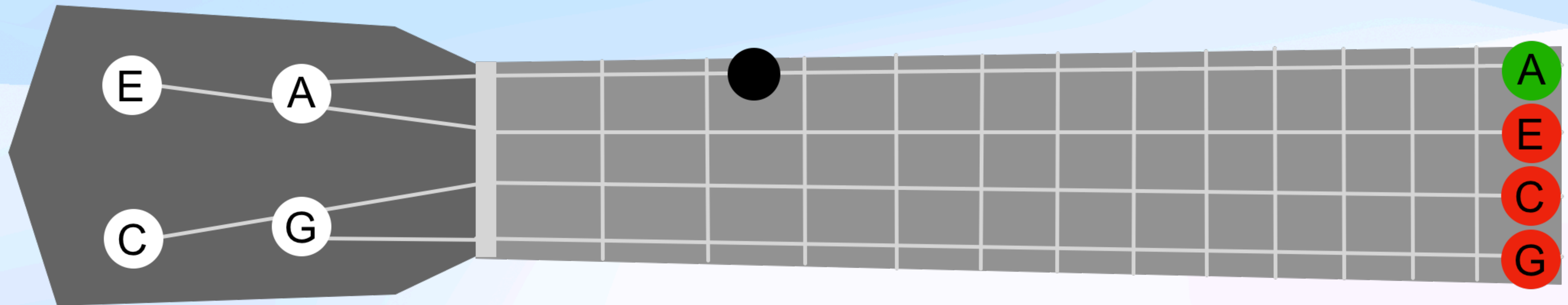


# Movable Chords, Part 1



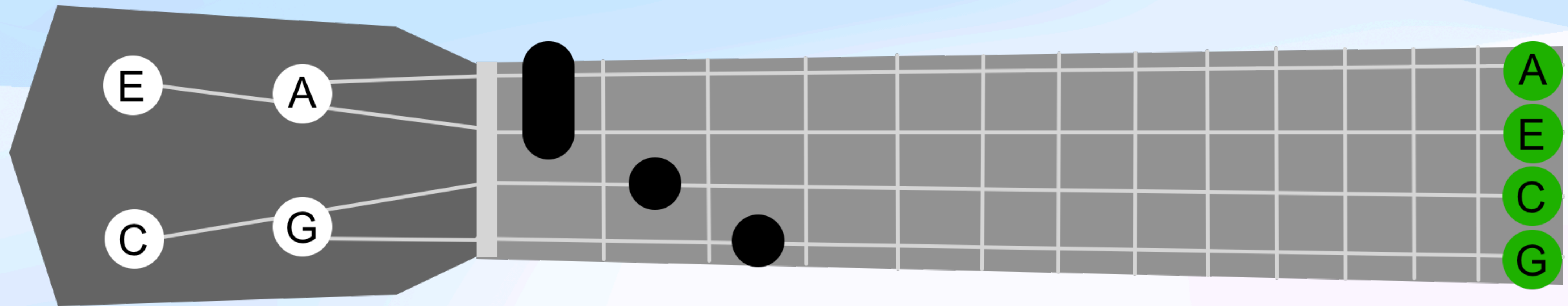
# Definitions

- Open Chord - Chord where at least one string is NOT fretted
- Example: basic C chord. 'A' string fretted. Others are not (Open).



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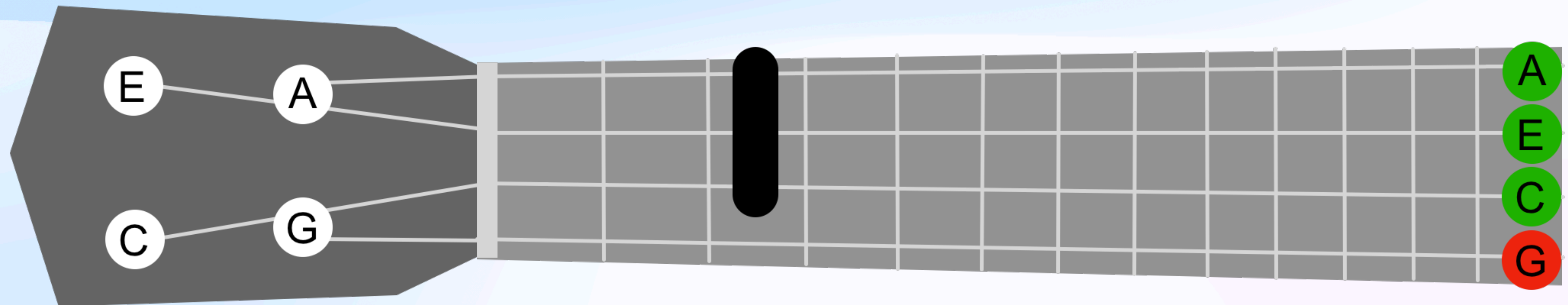
- Closed Chord - Chord where all strings are fretted
- Example: Bb. G, C, E, and A are all fretted





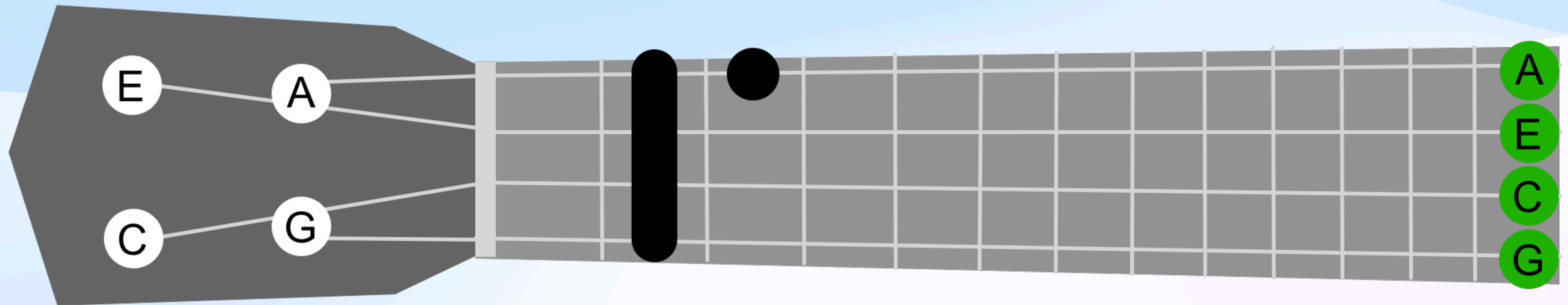
# Definitions

- Bar/Barre - Using one finger to fret more than one string. Could be 2, 3 or 4.
- Example: Cm. Index finger barring the A, E, and C strings
- Technically, a bar/barre chord, right? .... But....



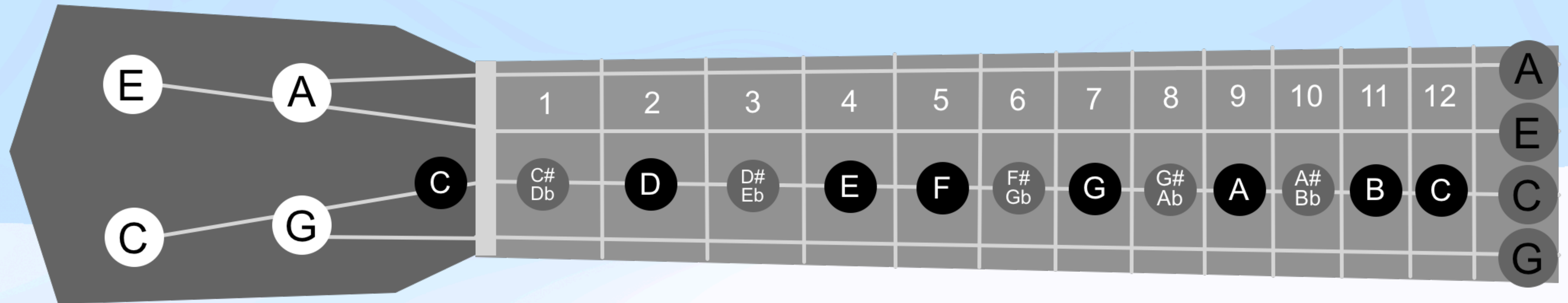
# Definitions

- Bar/Barre CHORD -
- Barring all 4 strings, typically with your index/pointer



# The Musical Alphabet

- C String Example



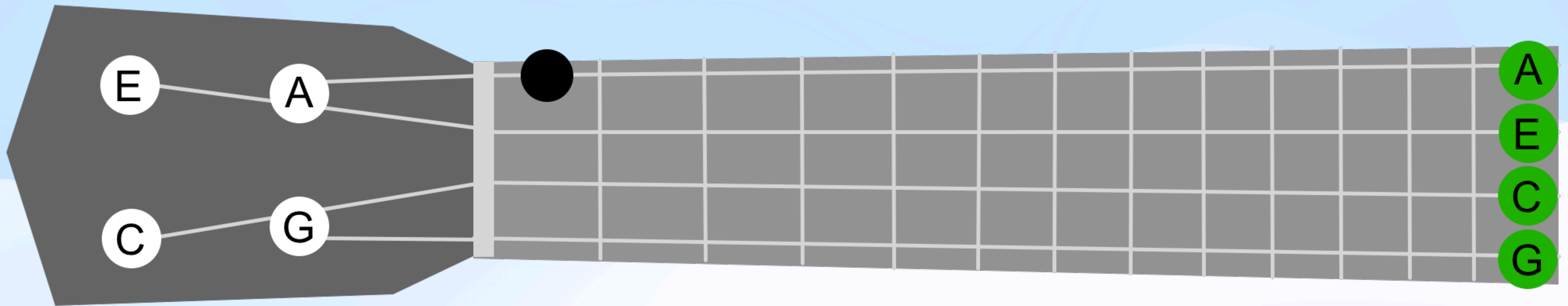
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**1 Shape (C7)  
+  
Musical Alphabet  
= Many New Chords**

# Moveable Chords - The C7 shape

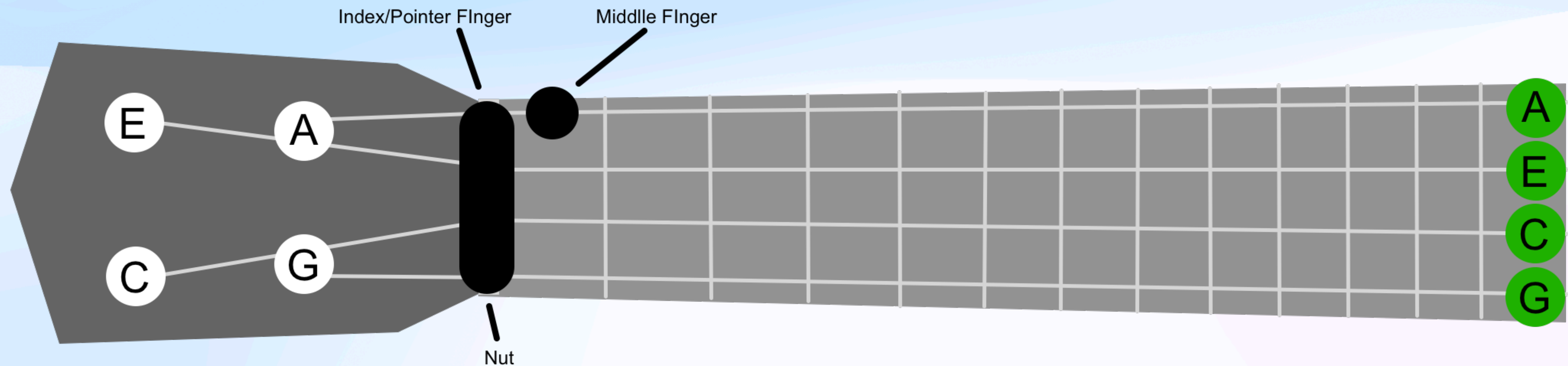
- Make 1st position C7 shape (index/pointer on first fret of A string)





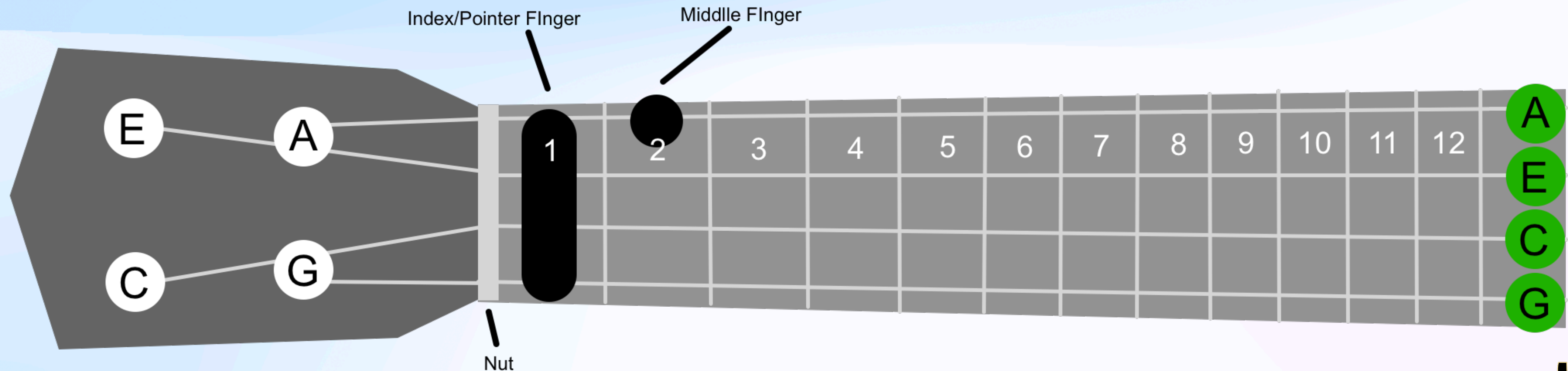
# Moveable Chords - The C7 shape

- Now, use your middle finger (A string, 1st fret) instead of your index pointer to make the C7 chord.
- Place your index/pointer finger fully across the nut. Like this....



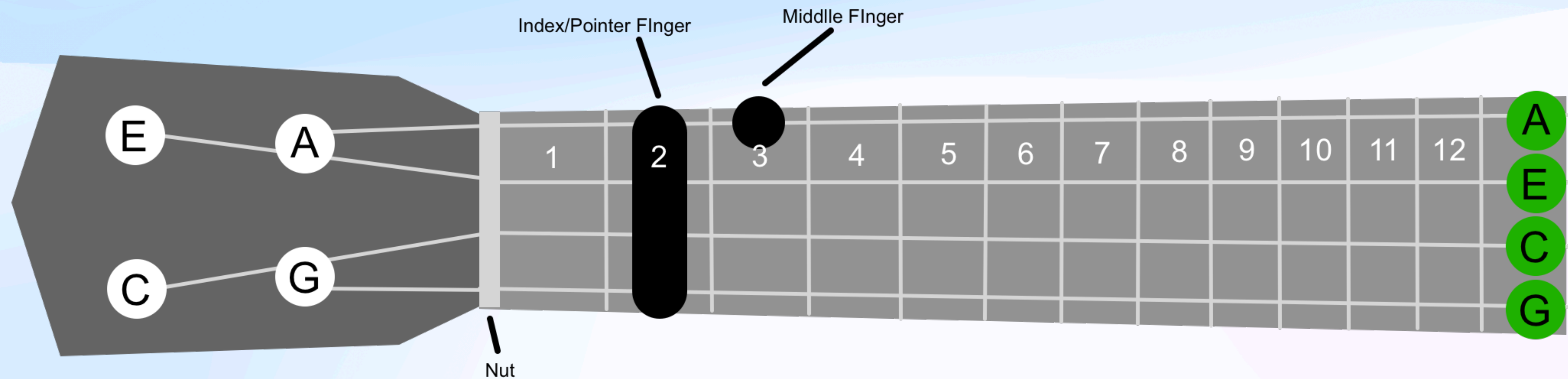
# Moveable Chords - The C7 shape

- Now, move that entire shape 1 fret up the neck
- C plus 1 fret, according to the musical alphabet, gives us C#
- Thus, we now have a C#7 chord



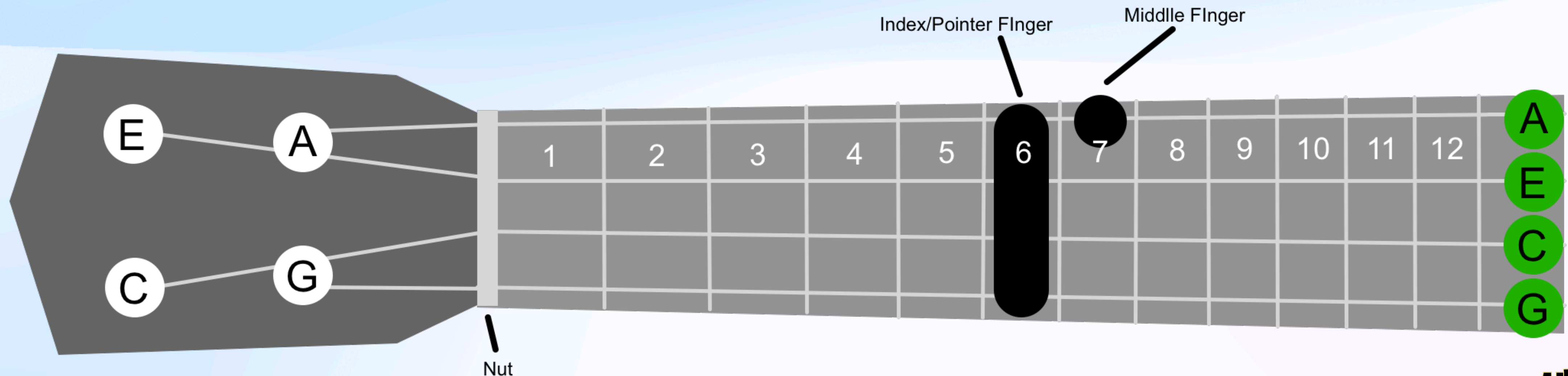
# Moveable Chords - The C7 shape

- Now, move that entire shape 1 more fret up the neck
- C# plus 1 fret, according to the musical alphabet, gives us D
- Thus, we now have a D7 chord. Look familiar?



# Moveable Chords - The C7 shape

- What if we needed to play an F#7?????
- Make the C7 shape, bar the nut, and, using the musical alphabet, count (starting with C) up 6 frets.
- Voila! F#7





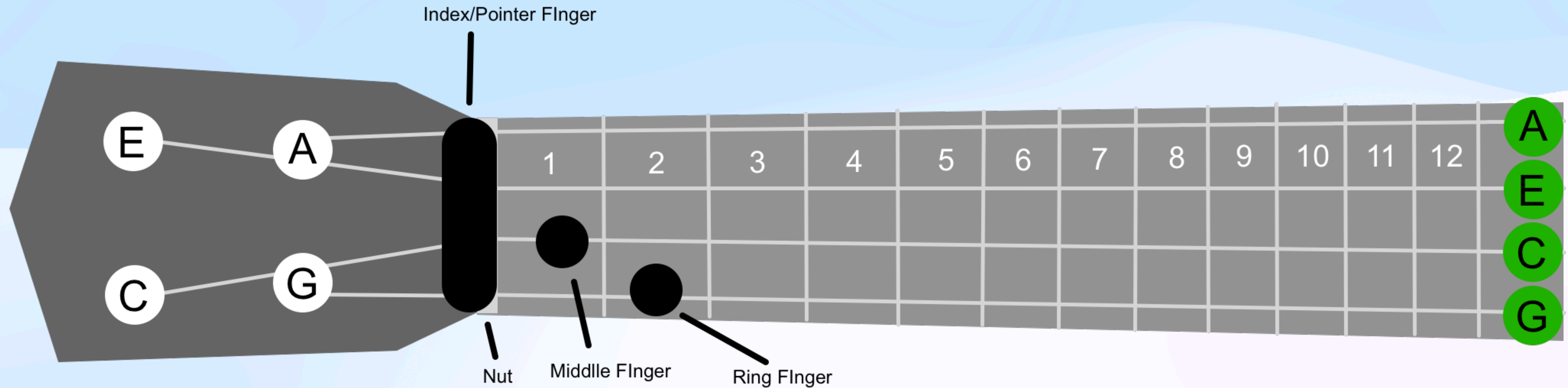
# Next: A Shape





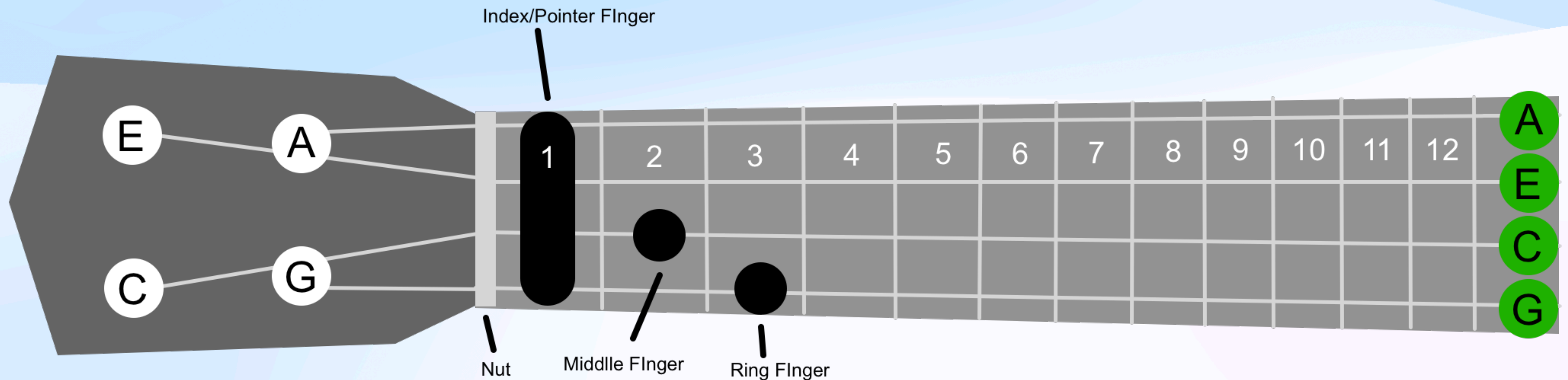
# Moveable Chords - The A shape

- Use your middle finger and ring finger to make the first position A chord
- Place your index/pointer finger fully across the nut. Like this....



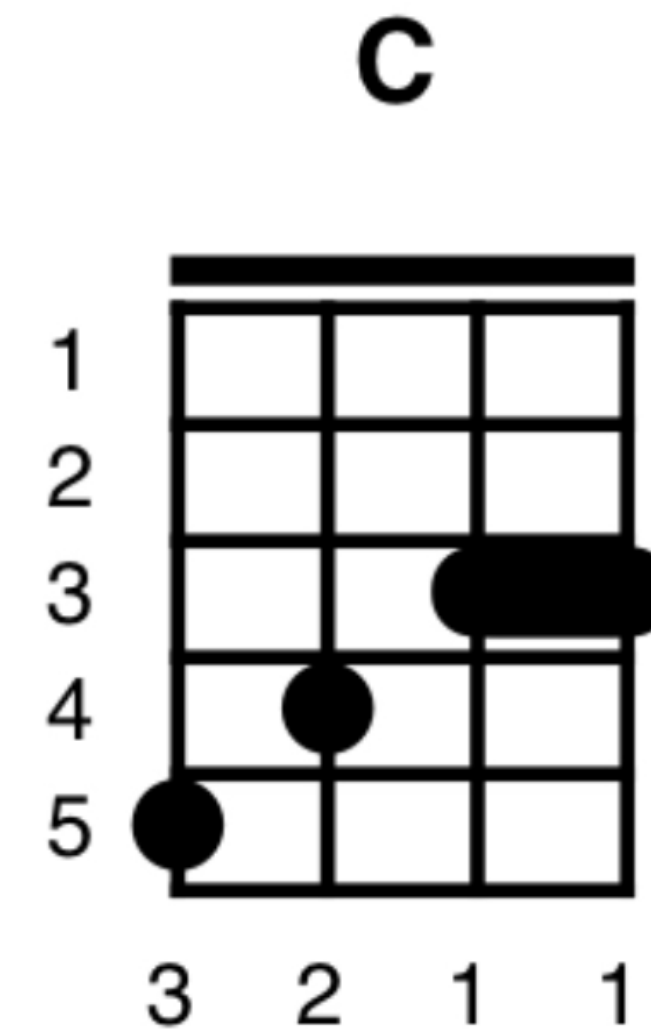
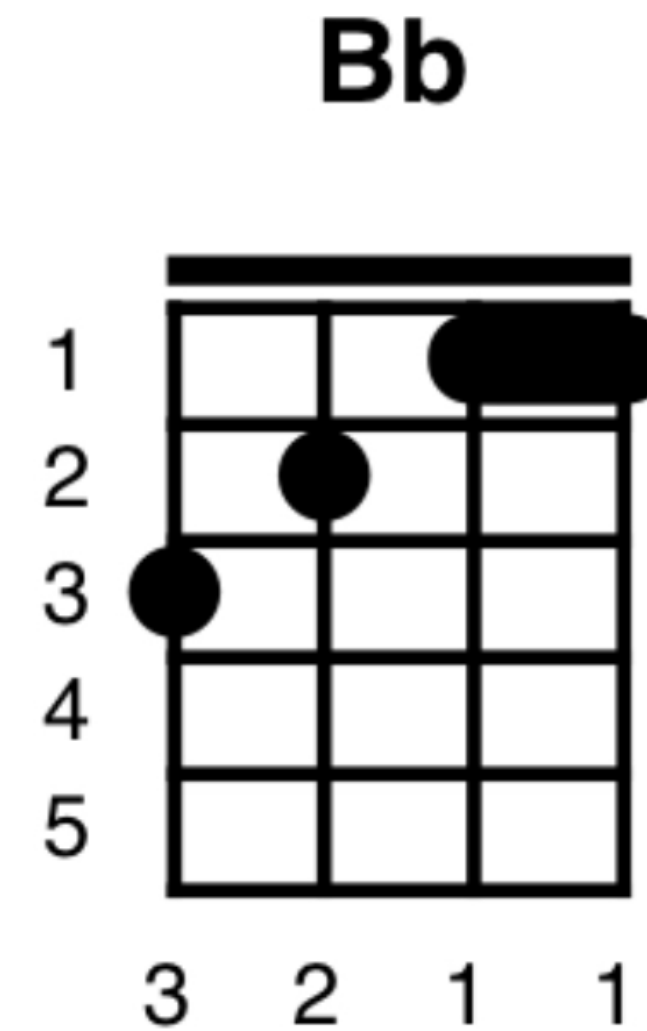
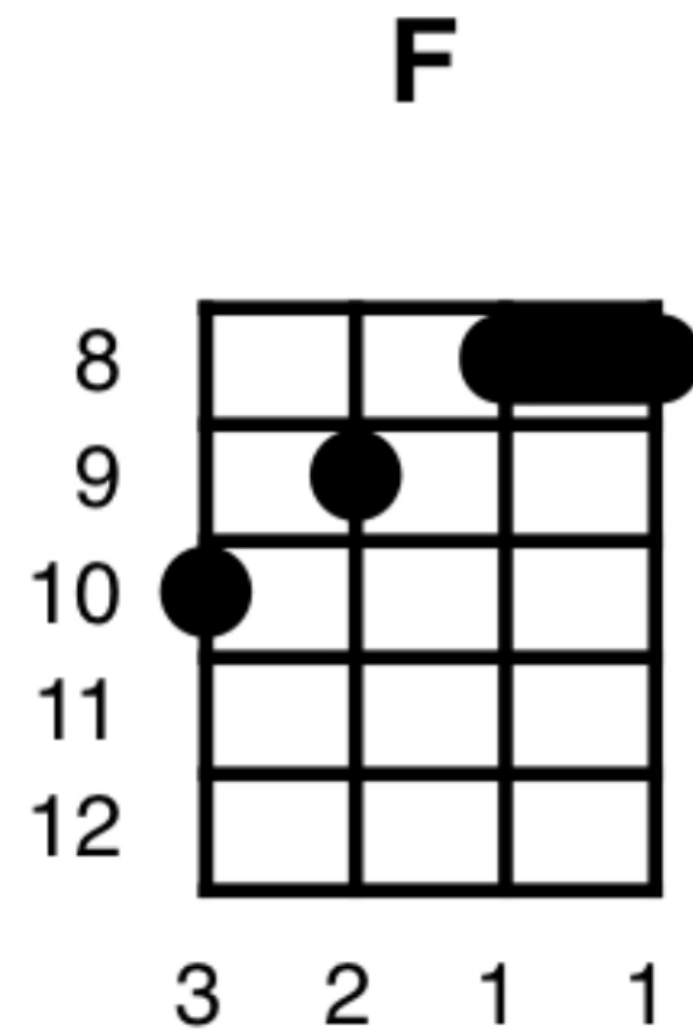
# Moveable Chords - The A shape

- Now, move that entire shape 1 more fret up the neck
- A plus 1 fret, according to the musical alphabet, gives us A# / Bb
- Thus, we now have a A#/Bb chord. Look familiar?



# Now, let's put the A shape to use

Play a song with one shape



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