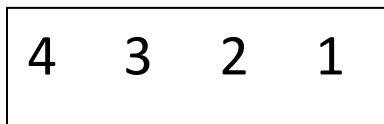


Names of fingers on the left hand and the right hand.

Stanley A Lucero, August 2020

The left hand.

This is the hand you use to press the strings to the fretboard for chords.



Each finger of your left hand is jealous when another finger presses a string on their fret. The exception is when more than 2 strings need to be pressed on the same fret.

The first finger of your left hand usually presses the strings on the 1st fret.
The second finger of your left hand usually presses the strings on the 2nd fret.

The third finger of your left hand usually presses the strings on the 3rd fret.
The fourth finger of your left hand usually presses the strings on the 4th fret.

The right hand

This the hand you use to strum the strings on the guitar.



The fingers of the right hand are given initials based on their Spanish names: p = pulgar (thumb); i = indice (pointer); m = medio (middle); and a = anular (ring)

The fingers of the right hand are also jealous when another finger plucks their string.

The “p” finger claims the 6th, 5th, and 4th strings.

The “i” finger claims the 3rd string.

The “m” finger claims the 2nd string.

The “a” finger claims the 1st string.

For example, the pima arpeggio is played in three ways.

6th, 3rd, 2nd, and 1st.

5th, 3rd, 2nd, and 1st.

4th, 3rd, 2nd, and 1st.