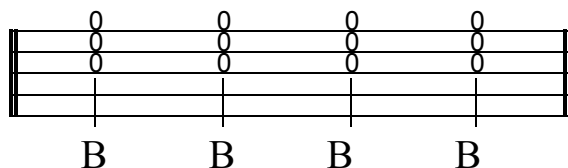
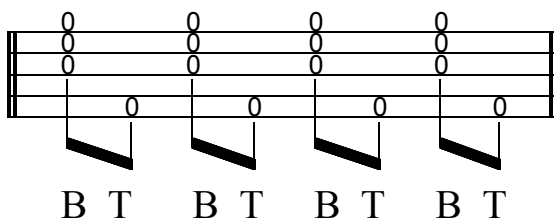


# Basic Right Hand Technique

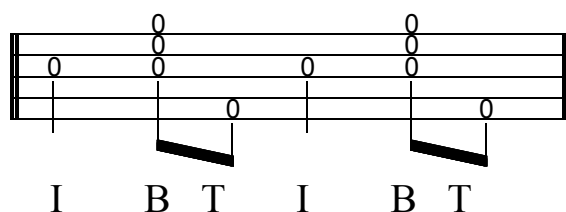
**The Brush Stroke** -Keeping your hand in the "Claw" position, strum down across the treble strings. Don't move your fingers, this motion should come from moving the forearm up and down. *Picture yourself scrubbing on an old-time washboard!*



**The Brush-Thumb Stroke** -As you brush across the strings, let the thumb drag along the head until it comes to rest against the fifth string. This should have stopped the downward motion of the right hand. Now pluck the fifth string as the right hand moves up and away from the head.



**The Index-Brush-Thumb Stroke** -Strike the third string with the nail of either your index or middle finger. The finger should remain stiff as all movement comes from the forearm and wrist. Use the same right hand technique as before for the brush-thumb strokes.



**The Basic Strum** -Alternate between the third and fourth strings on the single string notes. *Note that this strum pattern is great for accompanying your voice.*

