Examples of Syncopation

These are rhythmical examples of syncopation.

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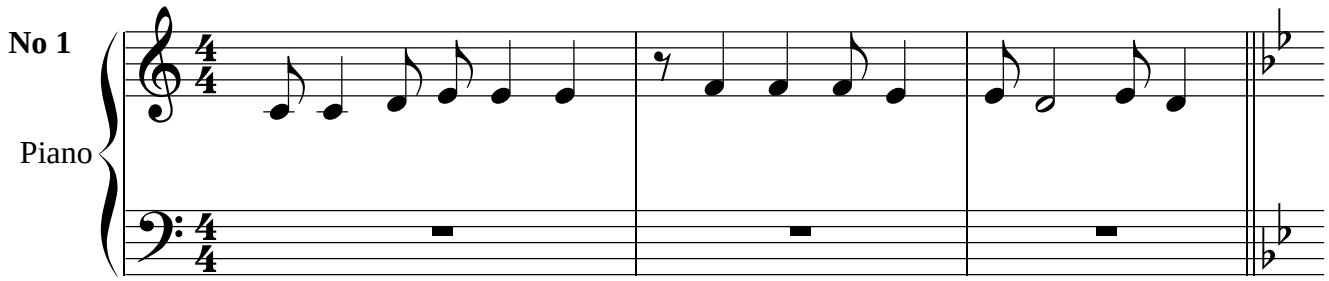

Using a smaller value note at the beginning of the bar will create a feeling of syncopation, so will a small rest put in place of a small note.

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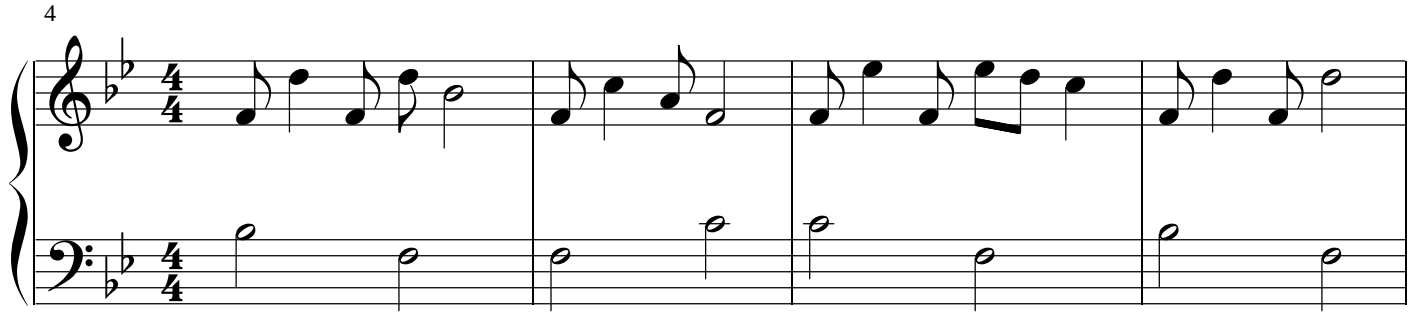

In this example there is snycopation in the right hand and a solid straight bass in the left hand. This straight feeling in the bass enhances the feeling of syncopation in the melody.

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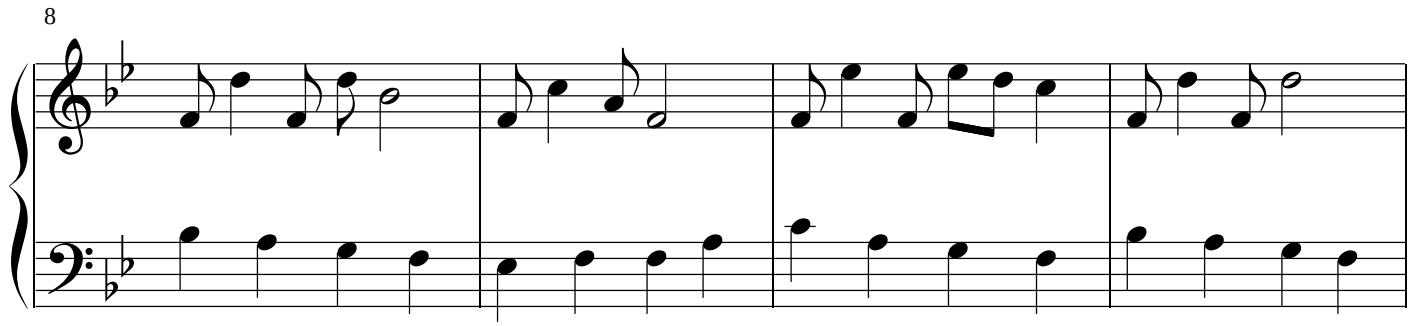

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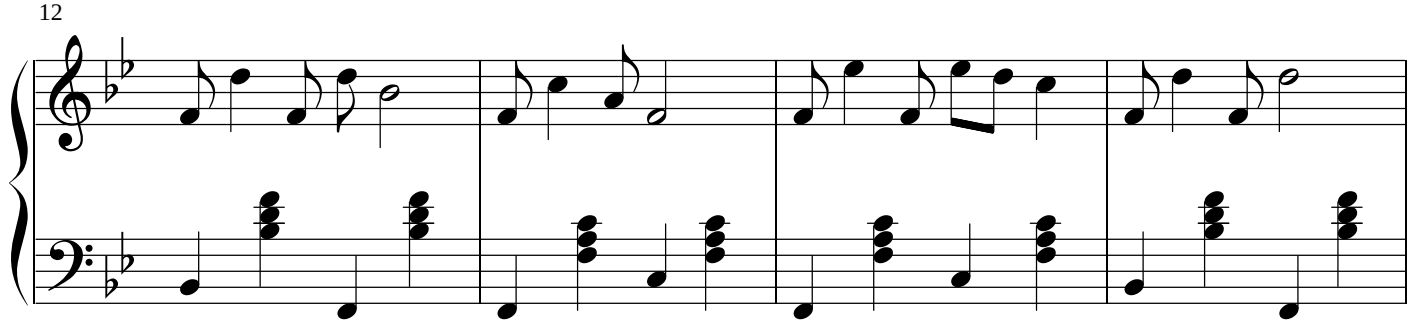
I have used the same melody and put a walking bas underneath. Notice how this changes the feel of the music.



This time the melody has a stride bass pattern - notice the effect this has on the melody.

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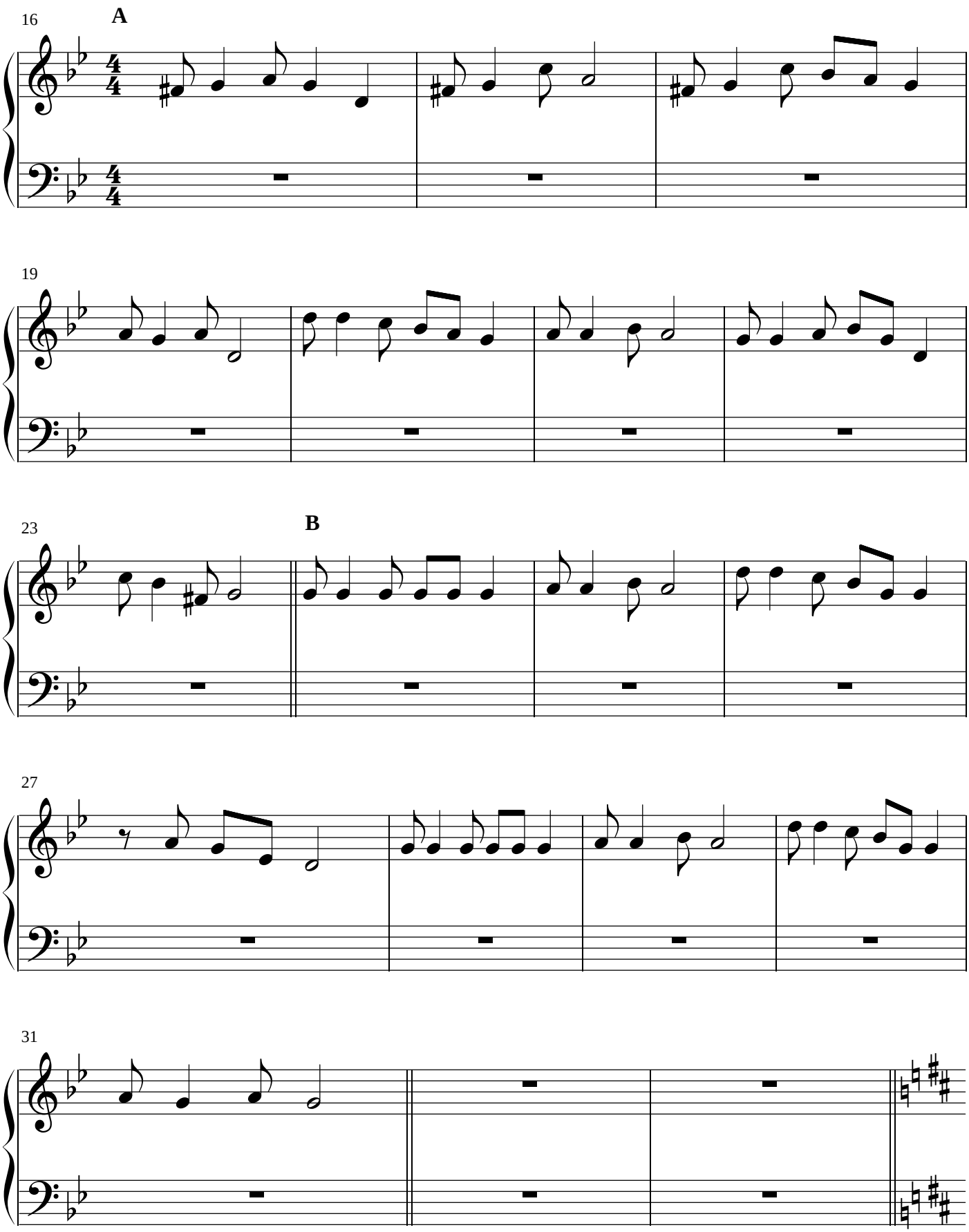

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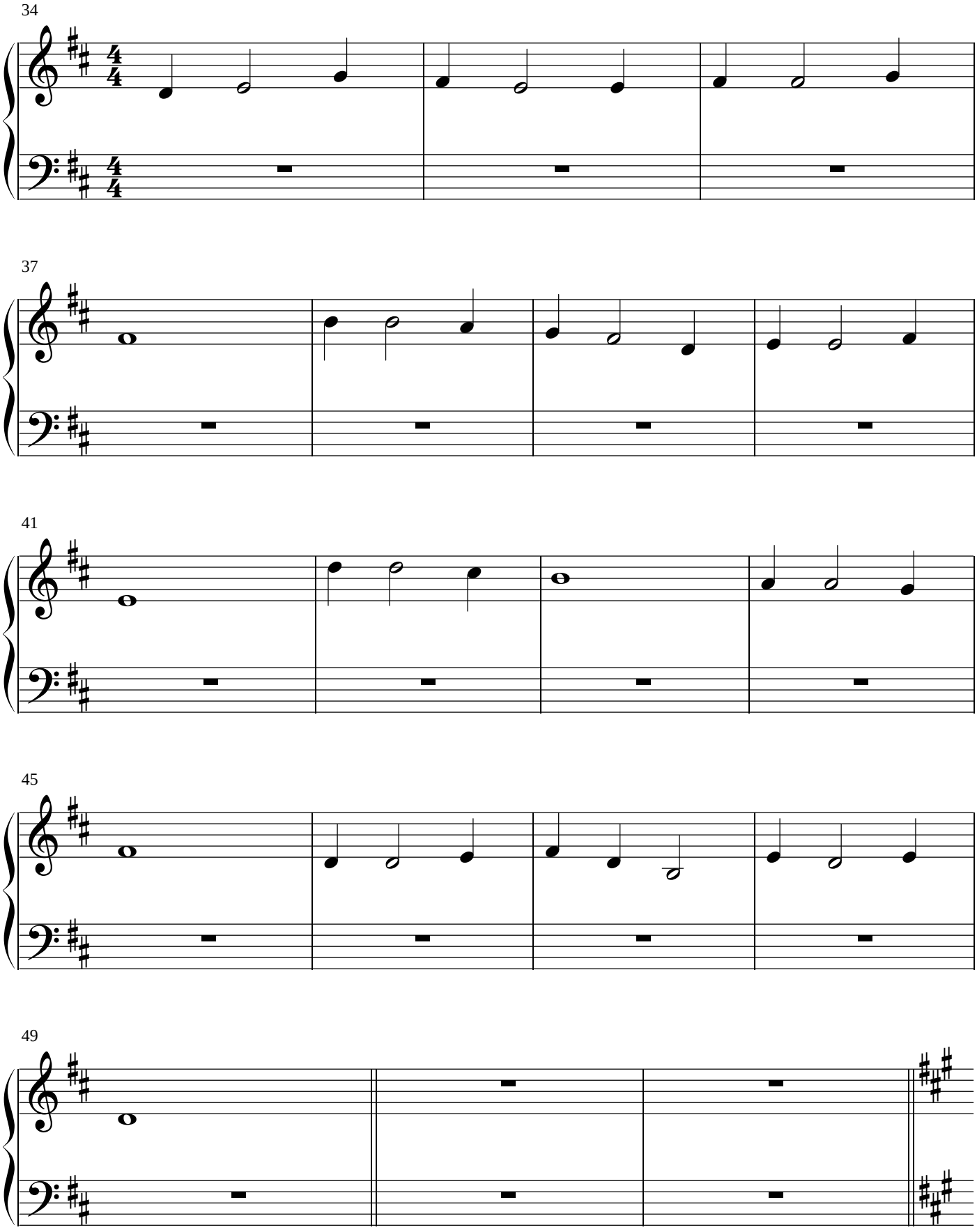
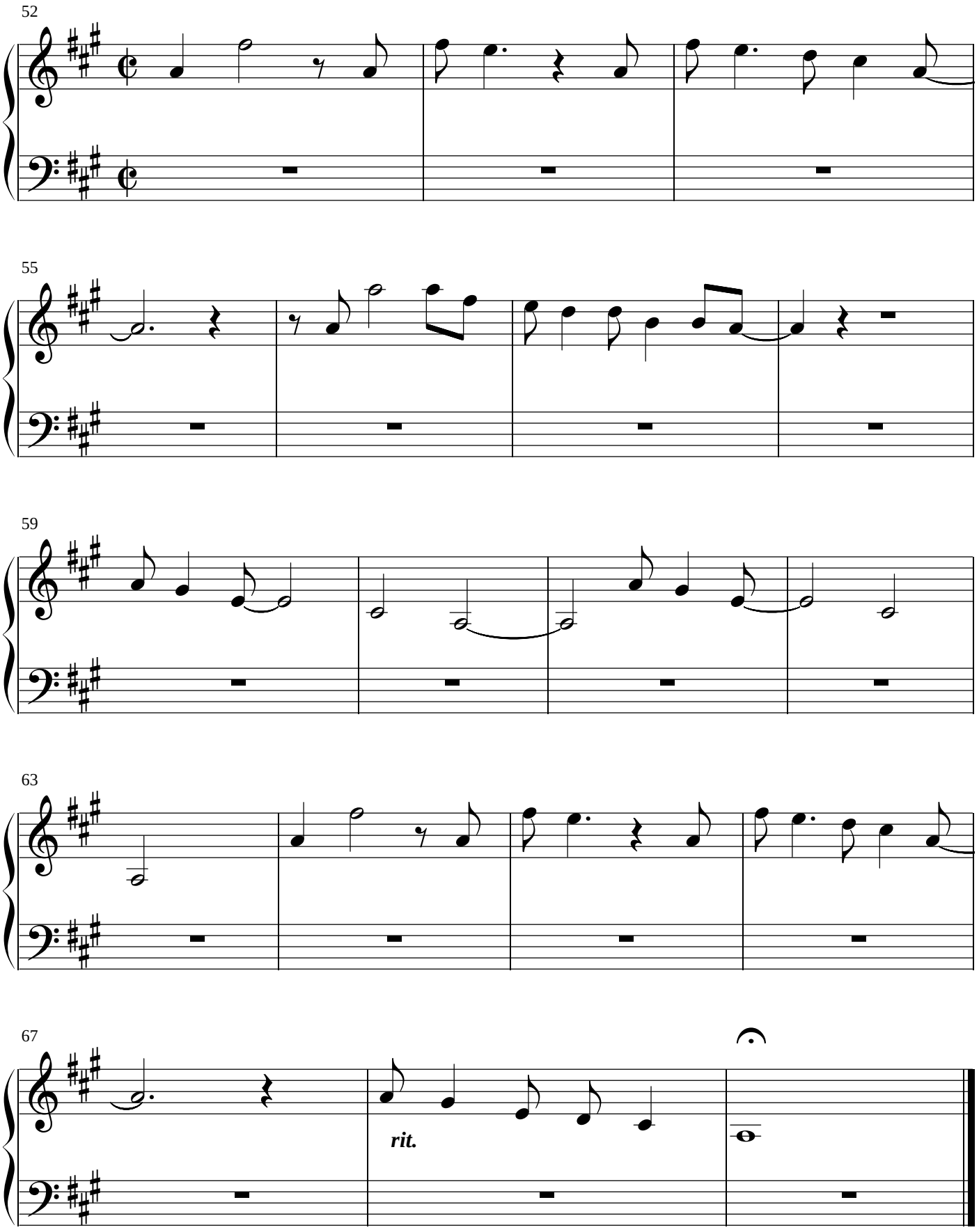
This is a more gentle sycopation created by crotchets followed by minims.

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