

Jazz language book

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**MAJOR & MINOR
II-V-I'S
SHORT & LONG
IN ALL KEYS**

JAZZ ETUDES USING THE II-V-I'S

B FLAT EDITION

JAZZ LANGUAGE BOOK

This jazz language book is aimed at intermediate/advanced players.

Notes on practice

To make excellent progress in this jazz language book, I recommend the following;

- 1. Achievable goals for each practice session.**
- 2. Long term goals - try to learn all the II-V-I's from memory**
- 3. Try to play these II-V-I's both by reading and then from memory (in all keys).**
- 4. Practice with a metronome or backing track.**
- 5. Always practice slowly and aim for accuracy, once achieved, then focus on increasing the tempo.**
- 6. Practice in a swinging style (where appropriate).**
- 7. Try to practice these II-V-I's with jazz articulations.**
- 8. Try to not get too frustrated, constant meticulous practice will produce dividends.**

The II-V-I's in this book are as follows

Major II-V-I's

Minor II-V-I's

Short major II-V-I's

Short minor II-V-I's

The major II-V-I etudes include

Tune up & Pent up house

The minor II-V-I etudes include

What is this thing called love? & Stella by starlight

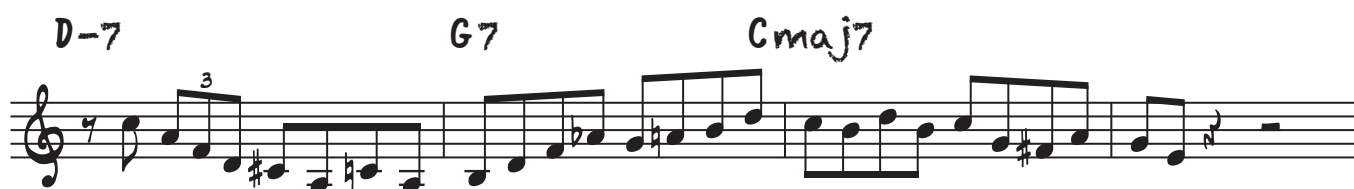
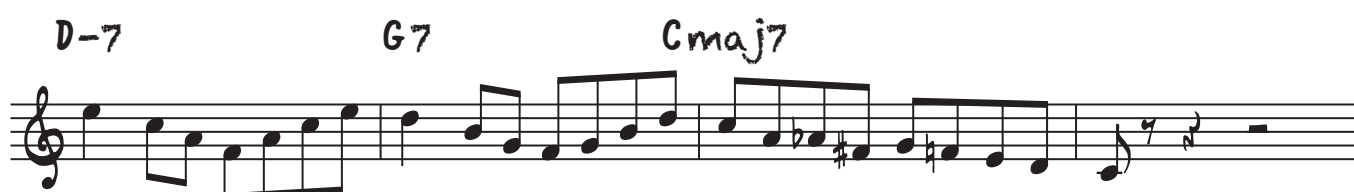
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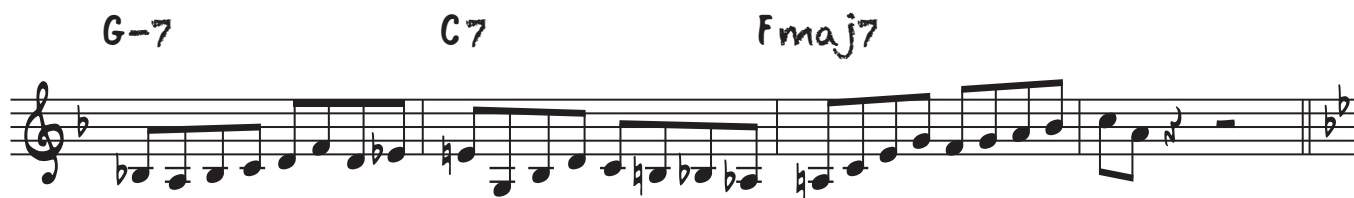
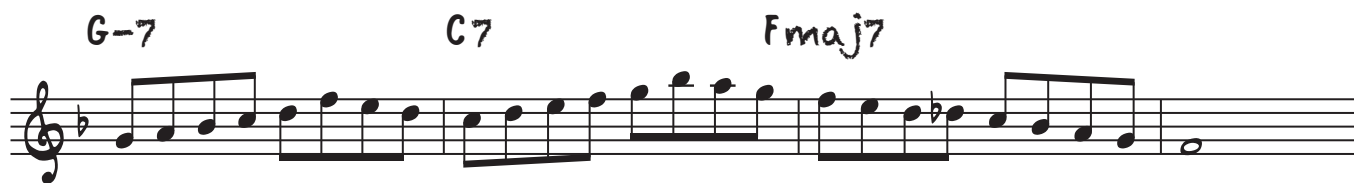
Confirmation & Softly as a morning sunrise

Please note - Where there are sections without II-V-I chord changes I have filled in with simple phrases.

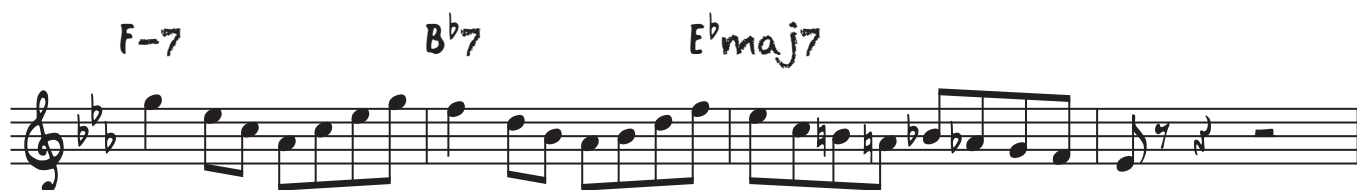
note on practice - When learning a new phrase, try and incorporate only that one phrase (in the different keys needed for the tune) when practicing with the backing track. As you gain fluency and confidence, add new II-V-I phrases. This will help you develop your own vocabulary. Again, as you gain confidence and technical proficiency, you could also try and transcribe your own II-V-I licks from your favourite players and use them too!

MAJOR II-V-I PHRASES









B^b-7 E^b7 A^b maj7

B^b-7 E^b7 A^bmaj7



B^b-7 E^b7 A^bmaj7



B^b-7 E^b7 A^bma^j7



B^b-7 E^b7 A^bma^j7



B^b-7 E^b7 A^bmaj7



E^b-7 A^b7 D^bmaj7



E^b-7 A^b7 D^bmaj7



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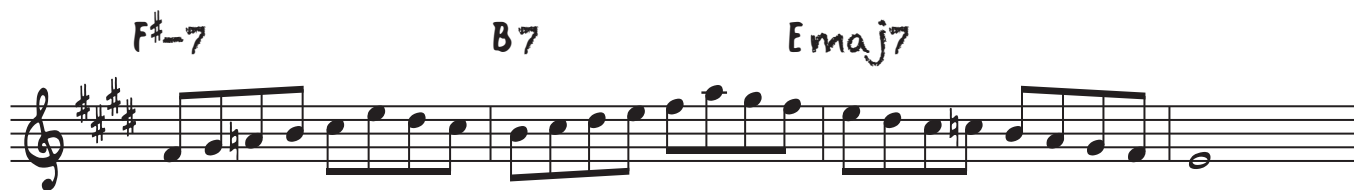


E^b-7 A^b7 D^bmaj7



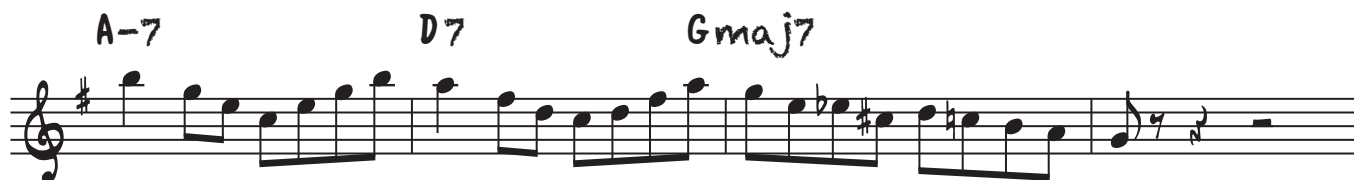












MINOR II-V-I PHRASES

D-7(b9)

G7(b9)

C-(maj7)



D-7(b9)

G7(b9)

C-(maj7)



D-7(b9)

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C-(maj7)



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D-7(b9)

G7(b9)

C-(maj7)



D-7(b9)

G7(b9)

C-(maj7)



G-7(b5) C7(b9) F-(maj7)



The image shows a single staff of music with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). The notation is handwritten. The first measure contains four eighth notes: G4, Bb4, D5, and Eb5, representing the G-7(b5) chord. The second measure contains four eighth notes: C5, Bb4, Ab4, and G4, representing the C7(b9) chord. The third measure contains a half note F4, representing the F-(maj7) chord. The fourth measure is empty.

G-7(b5) C7(b9) F-(maj7)

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G-7(b5) C7(b9) F-(maj7)



G-7(b5) C7(b9) F-(maj7)



G-7(b5) C7(b9) F-(maj7)



G-7(b5) C7(b9) F-(maj7)



F-7(b5) B $\flat$ 7(b9) E $\flat$ -(maj7)

[illegible]

F-7(b5) B $\flat$ 7(b9) E $\flat$ -(maj7)

F-7(b5) B^b7(b9) E^b-(maj7)



F-7(b5) Bb7(b9) Eb-(maj7)



F-7(b5) B^b7(b9) E^b-(maj7)

F-7(b5) B^b7(b9) E^b-(maj7)

F-7(b5) B^b7(b9) E^b-(maj7)



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G#-7(b5)

C#7(b9)

F#-(maj7)



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F#-(maj7)



G#-7(b5)

C#7(b9)

F#-(maj7)₃

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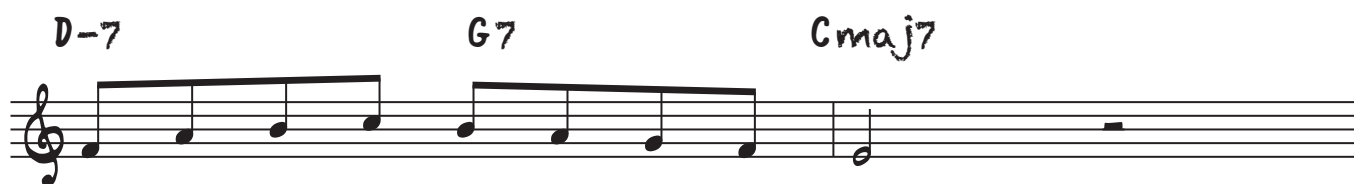
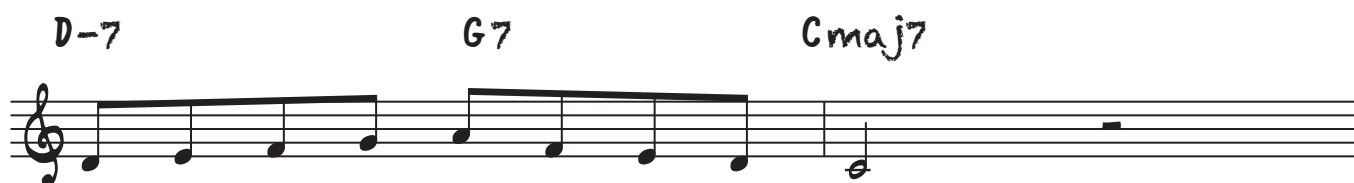
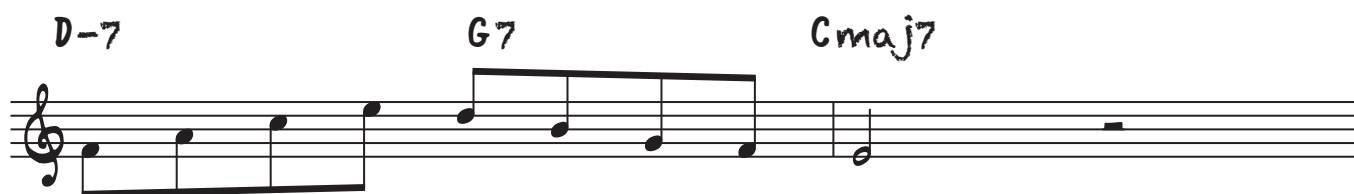
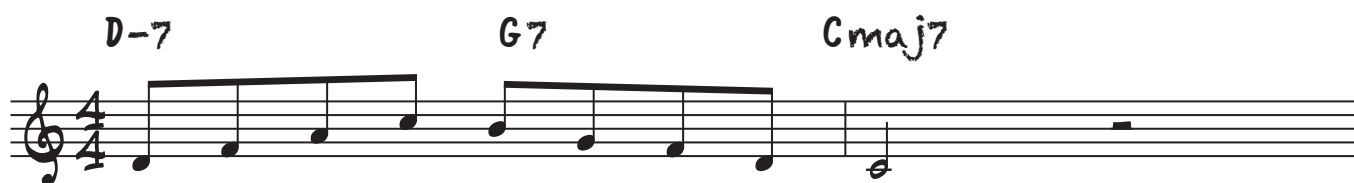
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G-(maj7)



SHORT MAJOR II-V-I PHRASES



G-7 C7 Fmaj7



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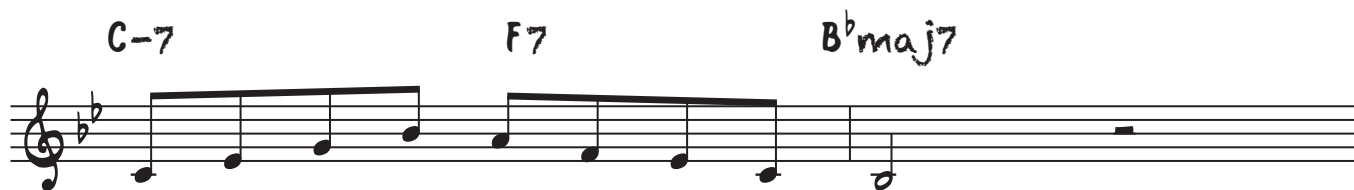
Handwritten musical notation for the first line of 'The Rose Tree'. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The notation consists of a single staff with a treble clef. The melody is written in eighth notes. Above the staff, the chords G-7, C7, and Fmaj7 are written. The melody starts on G4, moves to A4, Bb4, and C5, then to C5, Bb4, A4, and G4, followed by a whole rest.

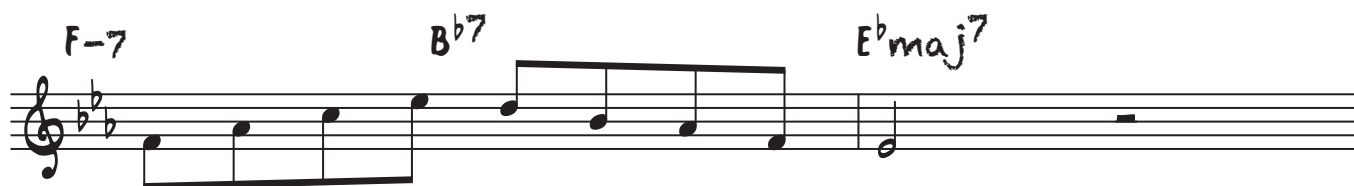
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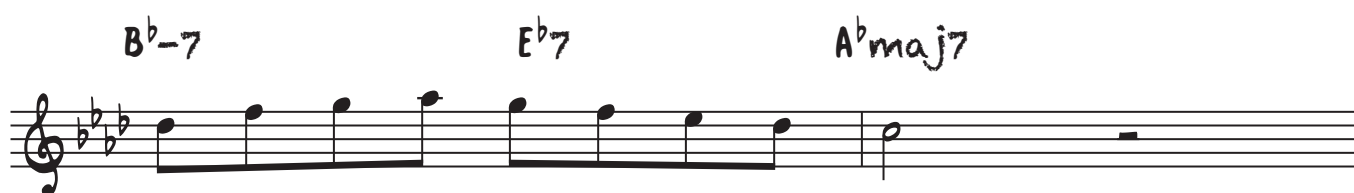
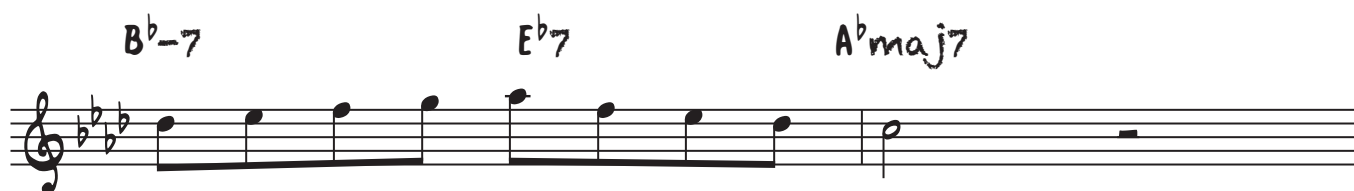


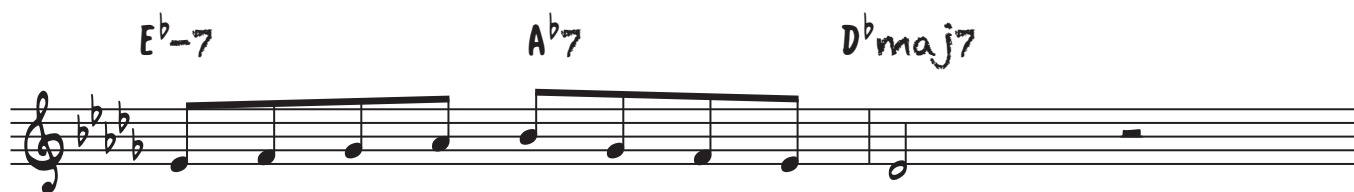
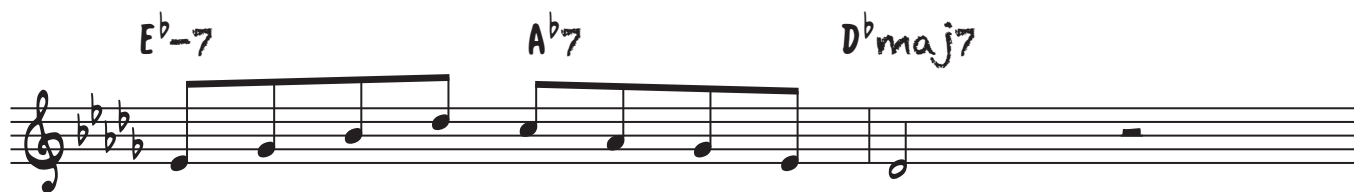
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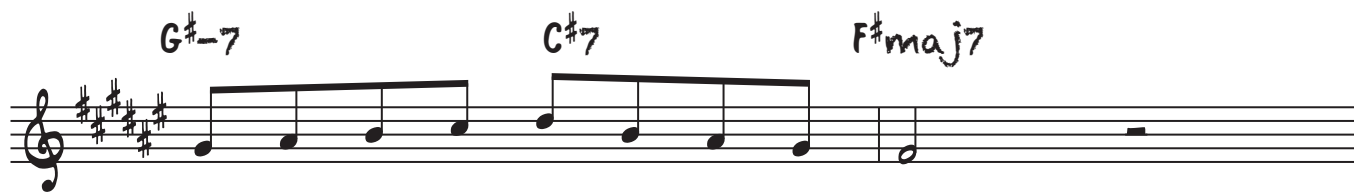


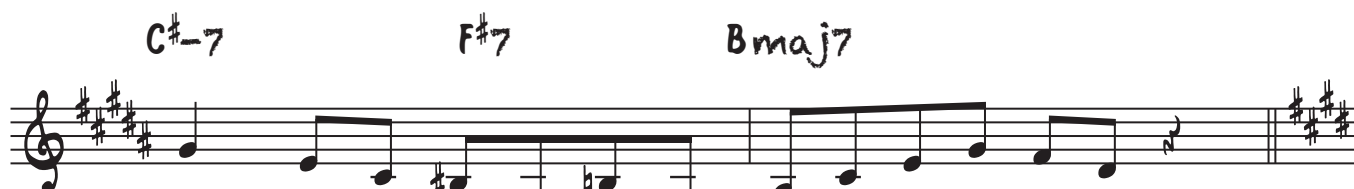
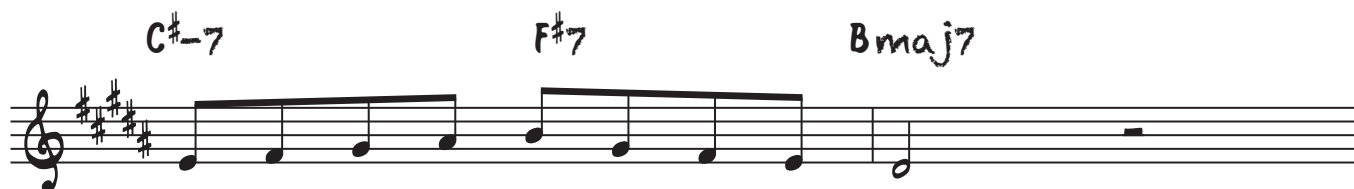
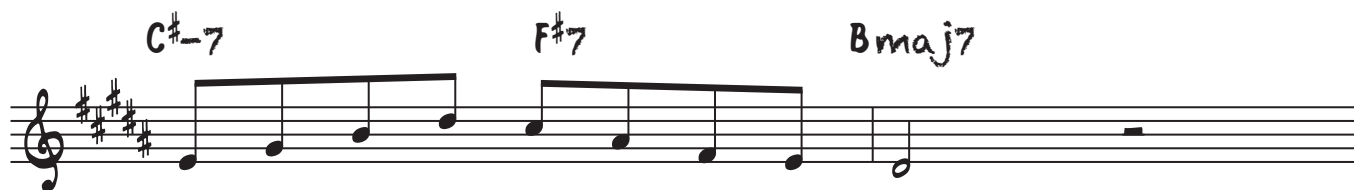
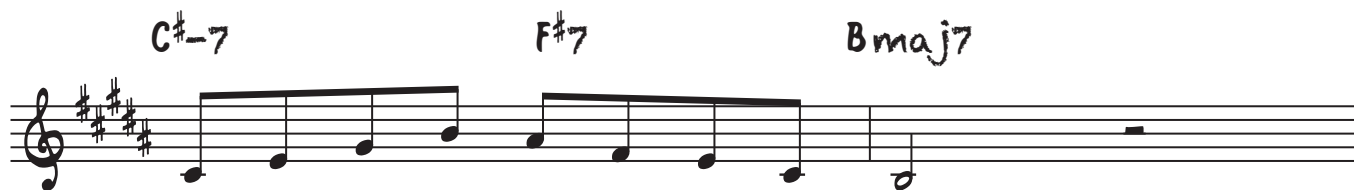












F#-7 B7 Emaj7



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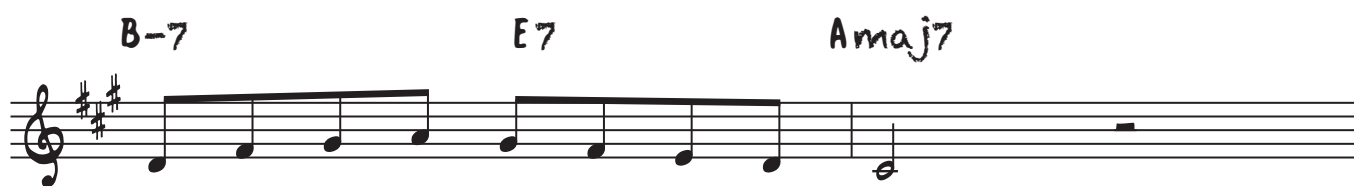
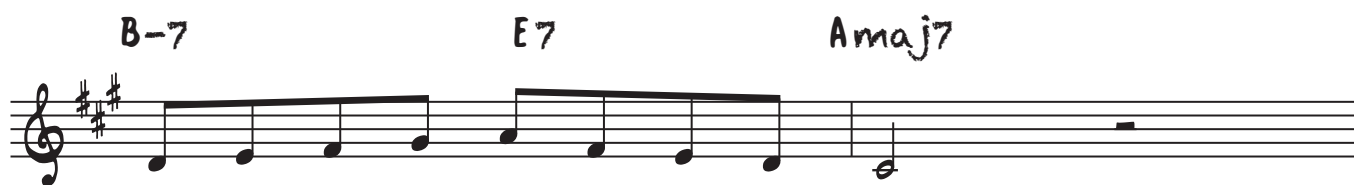
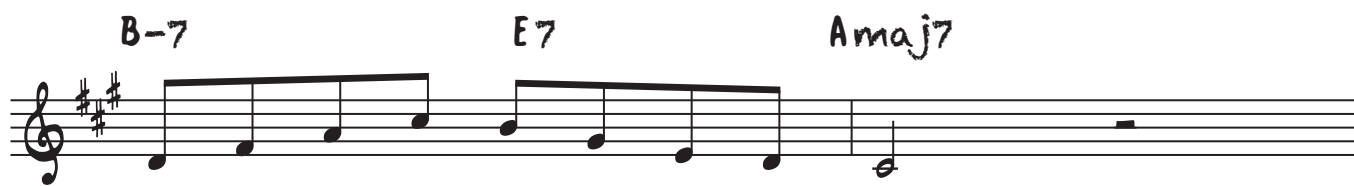
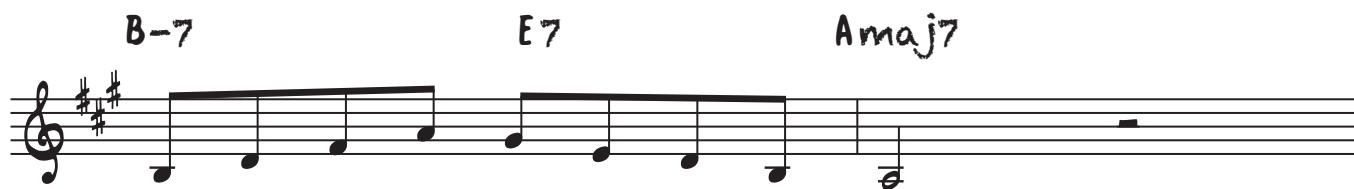
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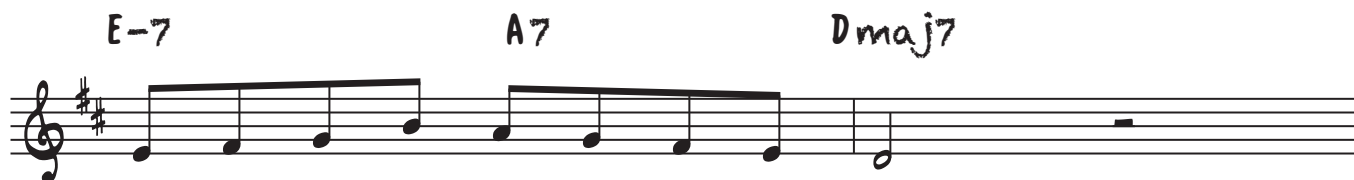
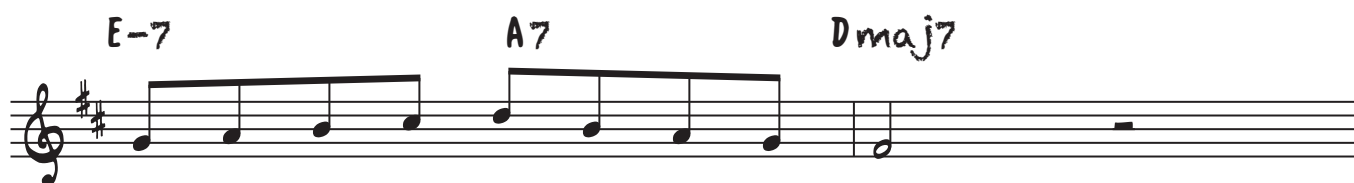
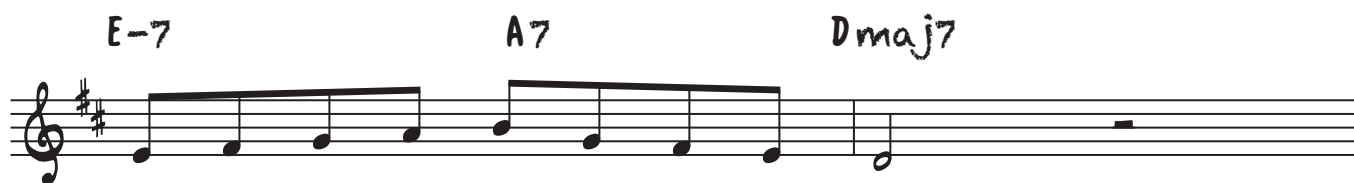
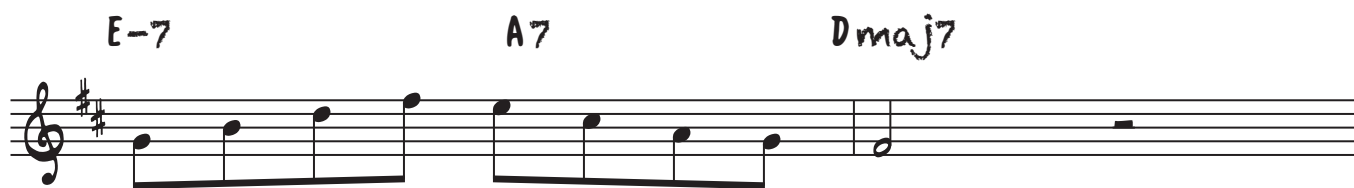
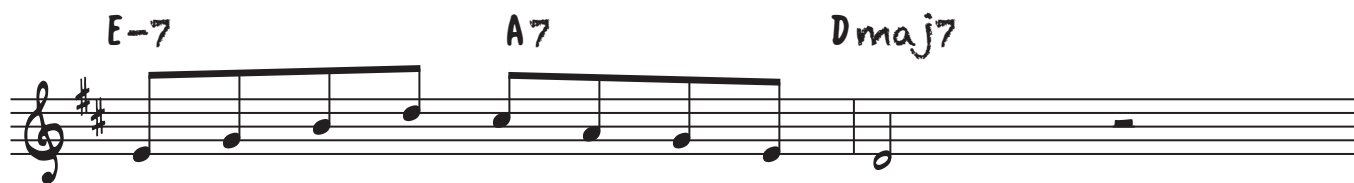


F#-7 B7 Emaj7



The first staff of handwritten musical notation is in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). It contains two measures of music. The first measure has a whole note chord F#-7 (F#, C#, G#) and a melody of four eighth notes: F#4, A4, B4, and C#5. The second measure has a whole note chord B7 (B, D, F#, A) and a melody of four eighth notes: B4, A4, G#4, and F#4. The staff ends with a double bar line.







SHORT MINOR II-V-I PHRASES

D-7(b9) G7(b9) C-(maj7)



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D-7(b9) G7(b9) C-(maj7)



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D-7(b9) G7(b9) C-(maj7)



D-7(b9) G7(b9) C-(maj7)



G-7(b5)

C7(b9)

F-(maj7)



G-7(b5)

C7(b9)

F-(maj7)



G-7(b5)

C7(b9)

F-(maj7)



G-7(b5)

C7(b9)

F-(maj7)



G-7(b5)

C7(b9)

F-(maj7)



G-7(b5)

C7(b9)

F-(maj7)



G-7(b5)

C7(b9)

F-(maj7)



G-7(b5)

C7(b9)

F-(maj7)



C-7(b5) F7(b9) B^b-(maj7)



C-7(b5) F7(b9) B^b-(maj7)



C-7(b5) F7(b9) B^b-(maj7)



C-7(b5) F7(b9) B^b-(maj7)



C-7(b5) F7(b9) B^b-(maj7)



C-7(b5) F7(b9) B^b-(maj7)



C-7(b5) F7(b9) B^b-(maj7)



C-7(b5) F7(b9) B^b-(maj7)



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A#-7(b5) D#7(b9) G#-(maj7)



A#-7(b5) D#7(b9) G#-(maj7)

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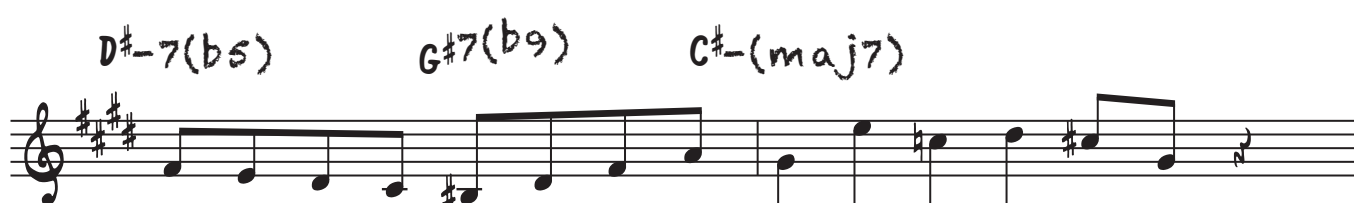
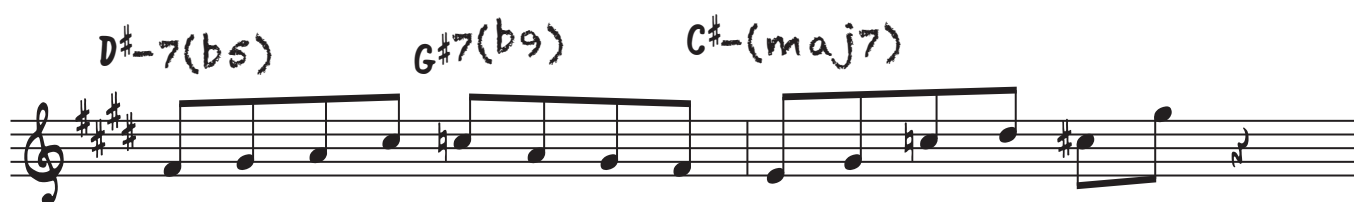
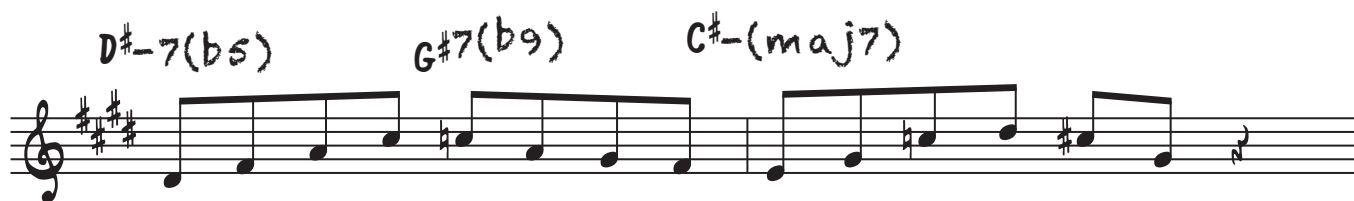
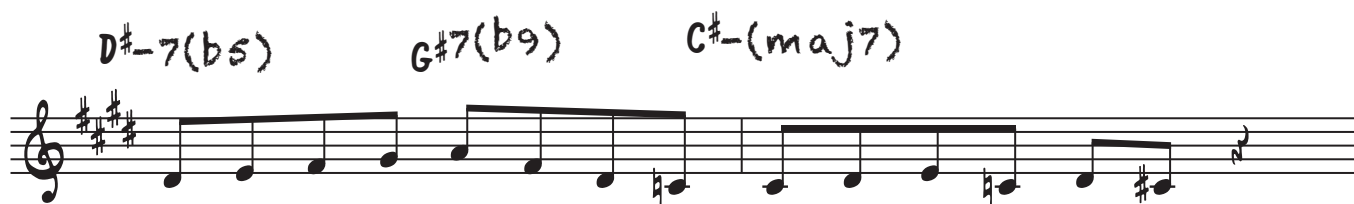
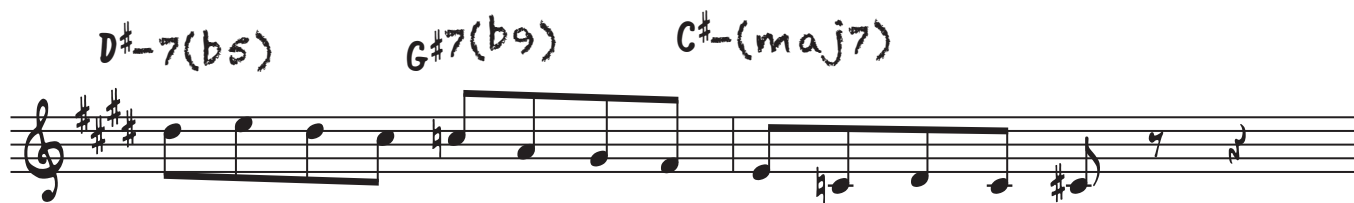


A#-7(b5) D#7(b9) G#-(maj7)



A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The notation shows a sequence of chords: A#-7(b5) (A#4, C#5, E5, G#5), D#7(b9) (D#4, F#4, A#4, C#5, E5, G#5, Bb5), and G#-(maj7) (G#4, A#4, B#4, C#5, E5, G#5). The notes are written as eighth and quarter notes across the staff.

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G#-7(b5) C#7(b9) F#-(maj7)

Handwritten musical notation for a 12-measure blues progression in F# major. The notation is on a single staff with a treble clef. It consists of three measures, each with a 4-measure sub-measure. The first measure (G#-7(b5)) contains four eighth notes: G#4, A4, B4, and C#5. The second measure (C#7(b9)) contains four eighth notes: C#4, D4, E4, and F#4. The third measure (F#-(maj7)) contains four eighth notes: F#4, G#4, A4, and B4. The final note of the third measure is a whole note F#4.

G#-7(b5) C#7(b9) F#-(maj7)

Handwritten musical notation for the first staff of the exercise. It features a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The melody is written in eighth notes: G#4, A4, B4, C#5, D5, E5, F#5, G#5, A5, B5, C#6, D6, E6, F#6, G#6, A6, B6, C#7, F#6, E6, D6, C#5, B4, A4, G#4. There are bar lines after the 14th and 21st notes. Above the staff, the chords G#-7(b5), C#7(b9), and F#-(maj7) are written in a handwritten style.

G#-7(b5) C#7(b9) F#-(maj7)

G#-7(b5) C#7(b9) F#-(maj7)

G#-7(b5) C#7(b9) F#-(maj7)

Handwritten musical notation for a 12-measure blues progression in E major. The notation is on a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The first measure contains a whole note chord G#-7(b5). The second measure contains a whole note chord C#7(b9). The third measure contains a whole note chord F#-(maj7). The fourth measure contains a whole note chord G#-7(b5). The fifth measure contains a whole note chord C#7(b9). The sixth measure contains a whole note chord F#-(maj7). The seventh measure contains a whole note chord G#-7(b5). The eighth measure contains a whole note chord C#7(b9). The ninth measure contains a whole note chord F#-(maj7). The tenth measure contains a whole note chord G#-7(b5). The eleventh measure contains a whole note chord C#7(b9). The twelfth measure contains a whole note chord F#-(maj7). The notation is handwritten and includes a double bar line after the third measure.

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G#-7(b5) C#7(b9) F#-(maj7)



G#-7(b5) C#7(b9) F#-(maj7)



C[#]-7(b5) F[#]7(b9) B-(maj7)



C[#]-7(b5) F[#]7(b9) B-(maj7)



C[#]-7(b5) F[#]7(b9) B-(maj7)



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F#-7(b5) B7(b9) E-(maj7)



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A musical staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation consists of three measures. The first measure contains four eighth notes: F#4, A4, B4, and C#5. The second measure contains four eighth notes: D5, E5, F#5, and G#5. The third measure contains four eighth notes: A5, B5, C#6, and D6. Above the staff, the chords F#-7(b5), B7(b9), and E-(maj7) are written, corresponding to the notes in each measure respectively.

F#-7(b5) B7(b9) E-(maj7)



F#-7(b5) B7(b9) E-(maj7)



The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation is divided into three measures by vertical bar lines. Above the first measure is the chord symbol 'F#-7(b5)', above the second is 'B7(b9)', and above the third is 'E-(maj7)'. The first measure contains four eighth notes: F#4, A4, B4, and C#5. The second measure contains five eighth notes: D5, E5, F#5, G#5, and A5. The third measure contains four eighth notes: B5, C#6, D6, and E6, followed by a double bar line. The notes are written on a five-line staff with a sharp sign at the beginning.

F#-7(b5) B7(b9) E-(maj7)



The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation represents the F#-7(b5) B7(b9) E-(maj7) progression. The first measure contains the notes F#, A, C, and E, which are the notes of the F#-7(b5) chord. The second measure contains the notes B, D, F, and A, which are the notes of the B7(b9) chord. The third measure contains the notes E, G, B, and D, which are the notes of the E-(maj7) chord. The notes are written as eighth notes, and the chords are indicated by the labels above the staff.

F#-7(b5) B7(b9) E-(maj7)



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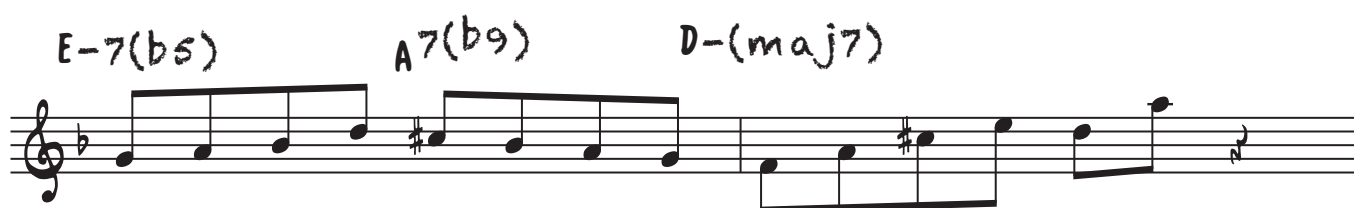
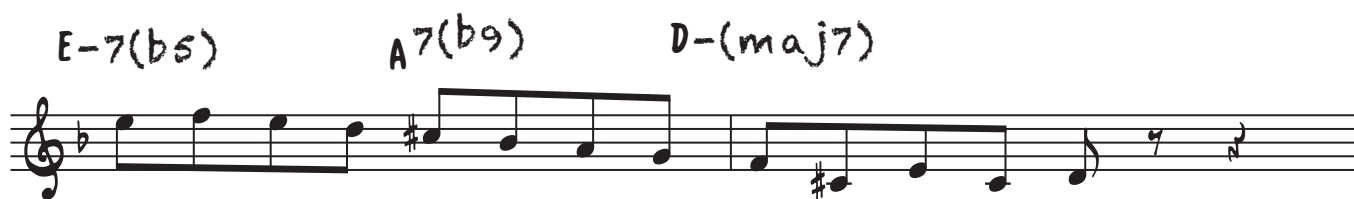


F#-7(b5) B7(b9) E-(maj7)



B-7(b5) E7(b9) A-(maj7)





A-7(b9) D7(b9) G-(maj7)



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The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). The notation represents the A-7(b5) D7(b9) G-(maj7) progression. The first measure contains the notes A4, Bb4, D5, and Eb5. The second measure contains the notes D5, Eb5, F#5, and G5. The third measure contains the notes G5, Ab5, Bb5, and C6. The fourth measure contains the notes C6, Bb5, Ab5, and G5. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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TUNE UP - PENT UP HOUSE

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MINOR II-V-I - JAZZ ETUDES

WHAT IS THIS THING CALLED LOVE - STELLA BY STARLIGHT

WHAT IS THIS THING CALLED LOVE

A-7(b9) D7(b9) G-6



E-7(b9) A7(b9) Dmaj7



A-7(b9) D7(b9) G-6



E-7(b9) A7(b9) Dmaj7



D-7 G7 Cmaj7



Bb7 E-7(b9) A7(b9)



A-7(b9) D7(b9) G-6



E-7(b9) A7(b9) Dmaj7



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E-7(b5) A7(b9) Dmaj7



D-7 G7 Cmaj7



Bb7 E-7(b5) A7(b9)



A-7(b5) D7(b9) G-6



E-7(b5) A7(b9) Dmaj7



STELLA BY STARLIGHT

Handwritten musical score for "Stella by Starlight" in G major, featuring various chords and melodic lines.

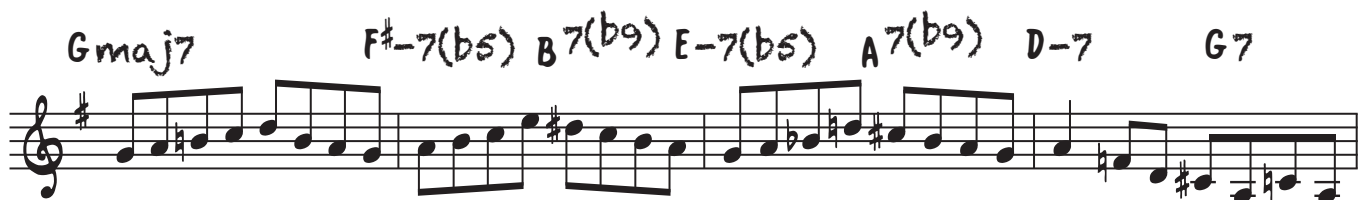
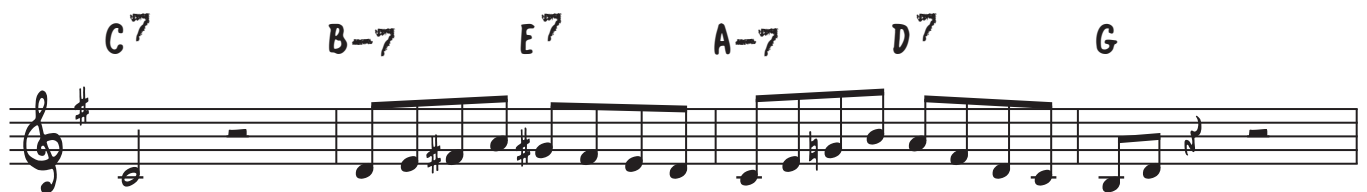
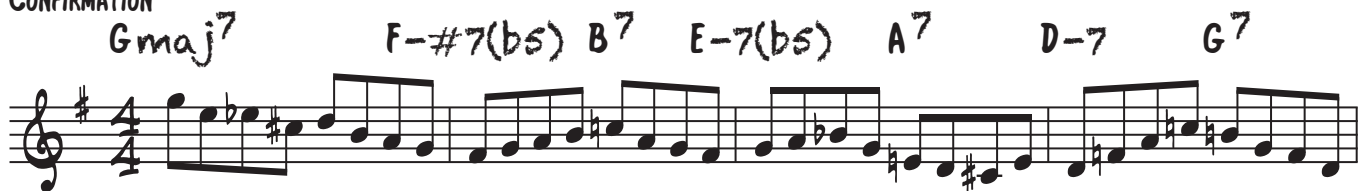
Chords: F#-7(b5), B7(b9), D-7, G7, G-7, C7, Fmaj7, Bb7, Cmaj7, F#-7(b5), B7(b9), E-(maj7), C-7, F7, Gmaj7, F#-7(b5), Fmaj7(#11), E7(b9), Ab(b13), D-7, Bb7(#11), Cmaj7, F#-7(b5), B7(b9), E-7(b5), A7(b9), D-7(b5), G7(b9), Cmaj7.

Melodic Lines: The score consists of eight staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in a 4/4 time signature. The second staff continues the melody, featuring a key signature change to two sharps (D major). The third staff continues the melody, featuring a key signature change to one sharp (F# major). The fourth staff continues the melody, featuring a key signature change to two sharps (D major). The fifth staff continues the melody, featuring a key signature change to one sharp (F# major). The sixth staff continues the melody, featuring a key signature change to two sharps (D major). The seventh staff continues the melody, featuring a key signature change to one sharp (F# major). The eighth staff concludes the melody, featuring a key signature change to two sharps (D major).



SHORT MAJOR & MINOR II-V-I - JAZZ ETUDES
CONFIRMATION - SOFTLY AS A MORNING SUNRISE

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D-7 E-7(b9) A7(b9) D-7 G-7 C7

Fmaj7 D7(b9)

G-7 A-7(b9)

D-7 E-7(b9) A7(b9) D-7 E-7(b9) A7(b9)

D-7 E-7(b9) A7(b9) D-7