

African Rhythms Applied To The Drum-set

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Afrobeat Basics

1) Bass Drum - Usually played as two consecutive 16th notes that fall on the downbeats and other variations.

A.



B.



C.



D.



2) Snare Drum Variations

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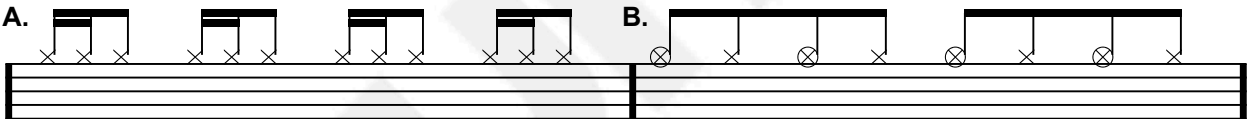


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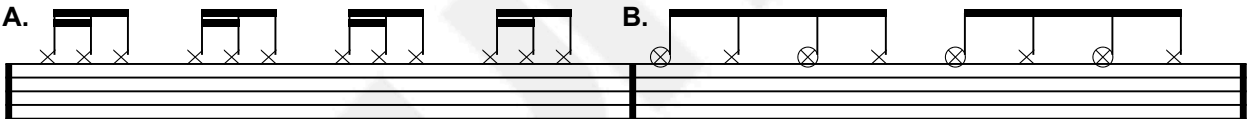


3) Hi-Hat Rhythms

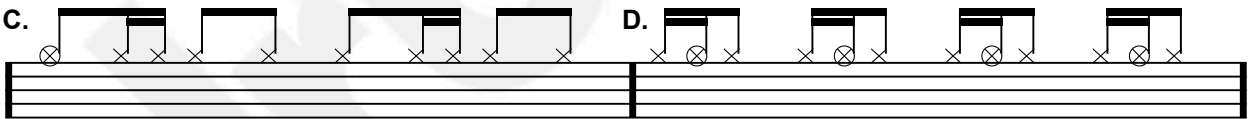
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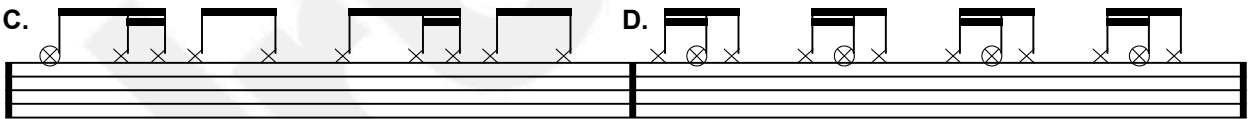
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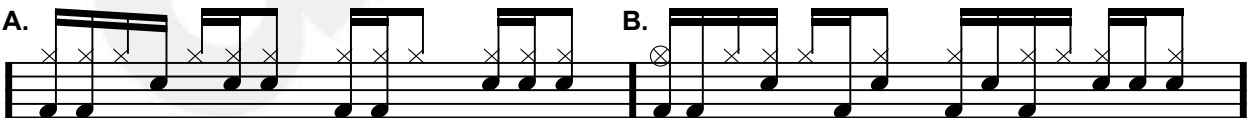


4) Putting It All Together

A.



B.



C.



D.



E.



F.



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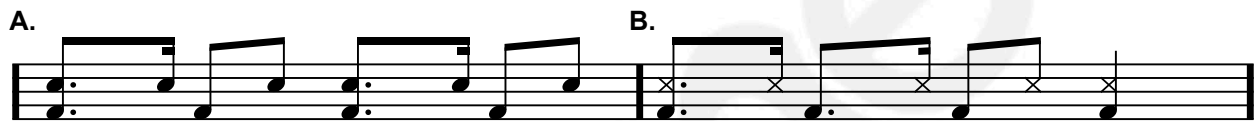
Modern African Grooves For The Drum-set

Styles - Afrobeat, Makossa, Soukous (cousin grooves with related rhythms)

1) Main Bass Drum Pulse For African Pop



2) Snare Drum Rhythms For Makossa



* use cross-stick as well





3) Hi-Hat Patterns For Makossa

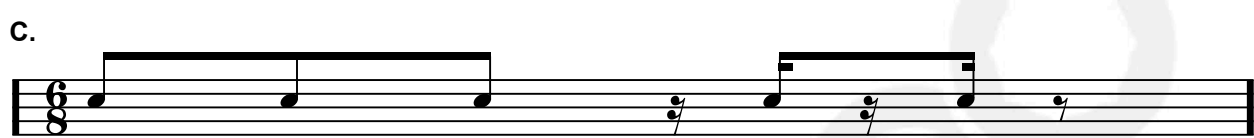


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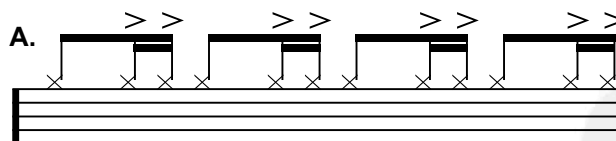
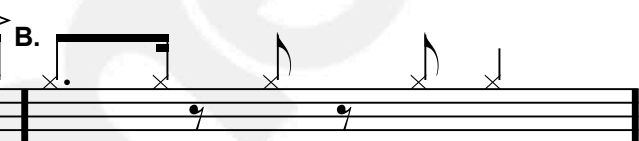
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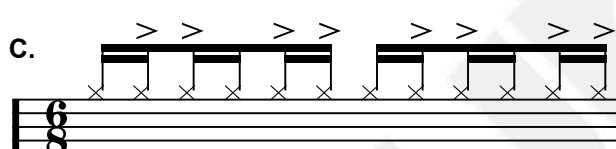
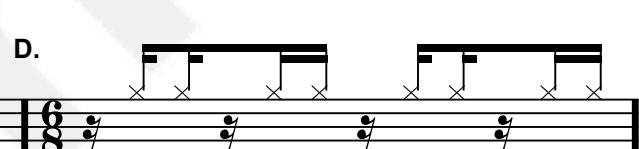
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A.  B. 

C. 



2) Hi-Hat Rhythms


A.  B. 

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3) Putting It All Together

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C.  D. 