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Dedicated to Matthew Crabtree

Patty Smith Hill, 1868-1946
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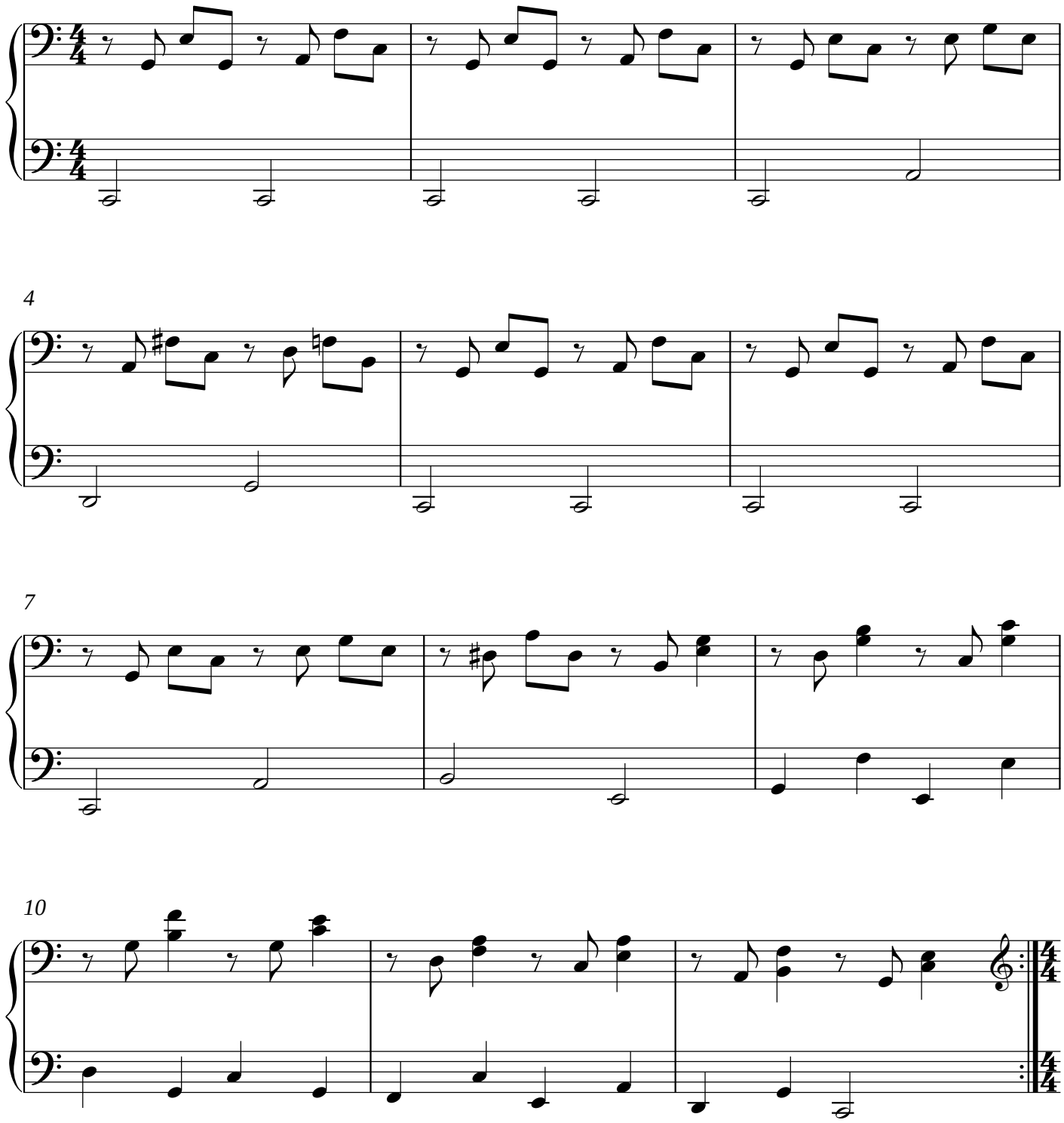

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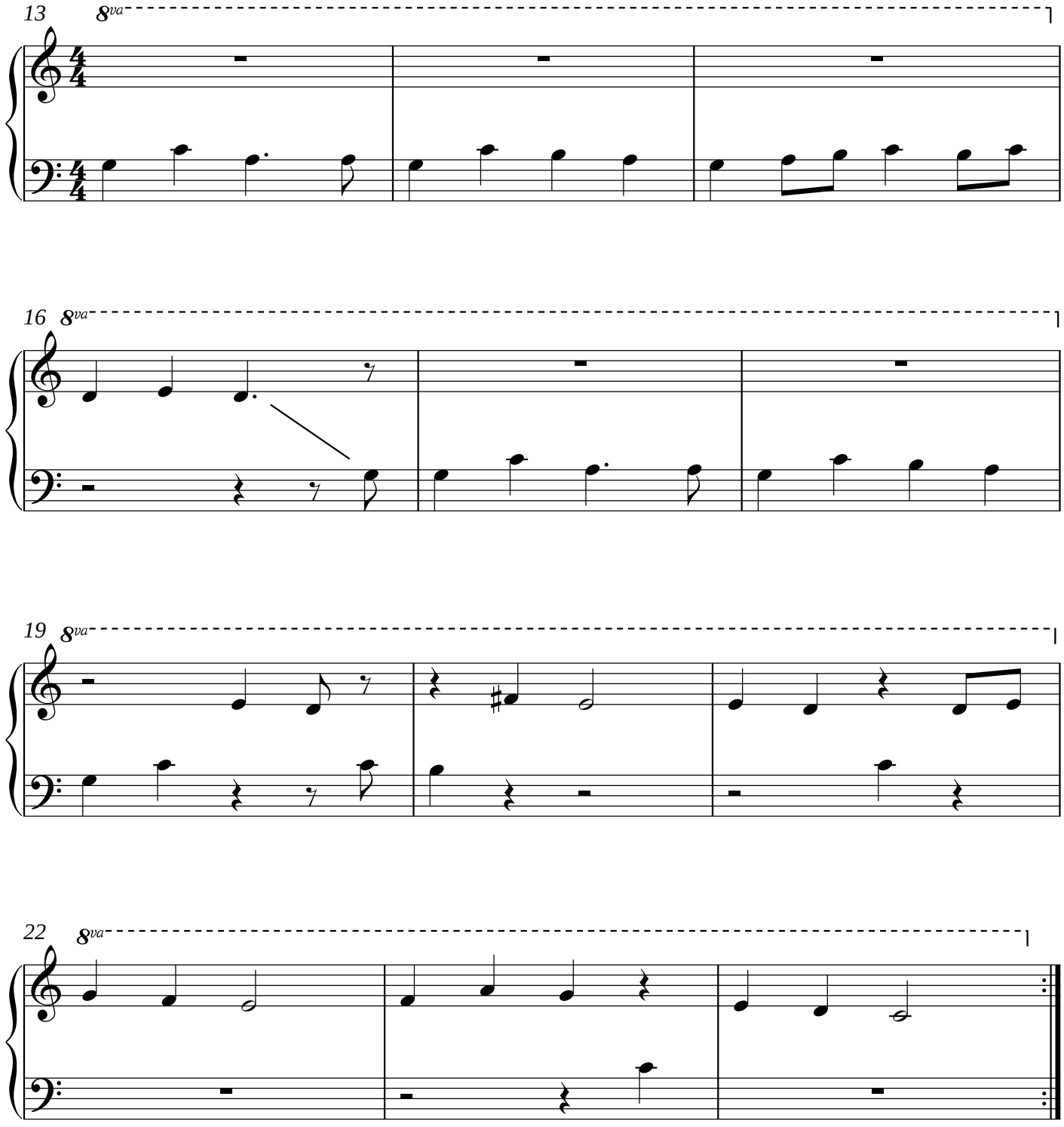

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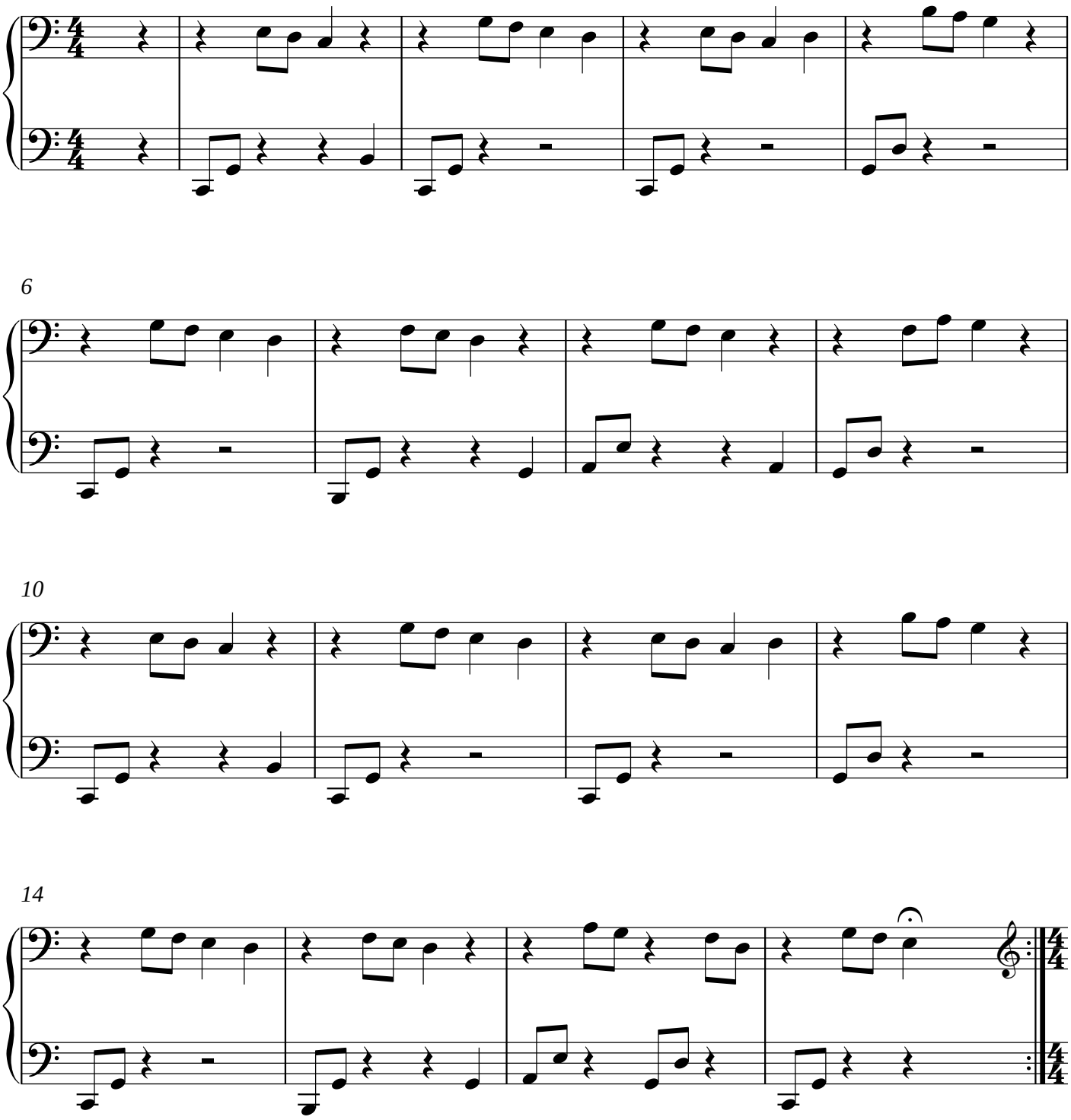

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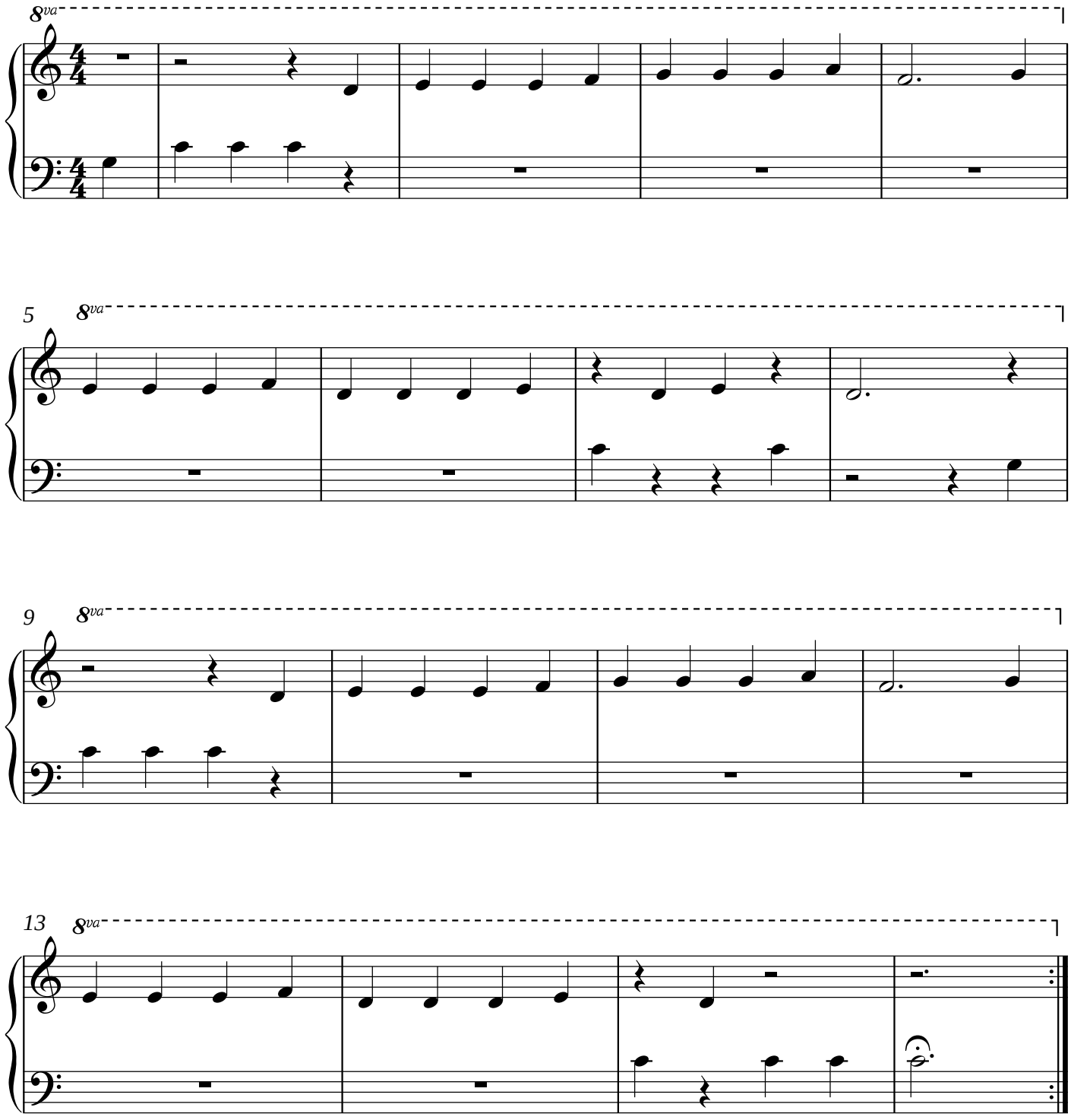

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18th French Carol
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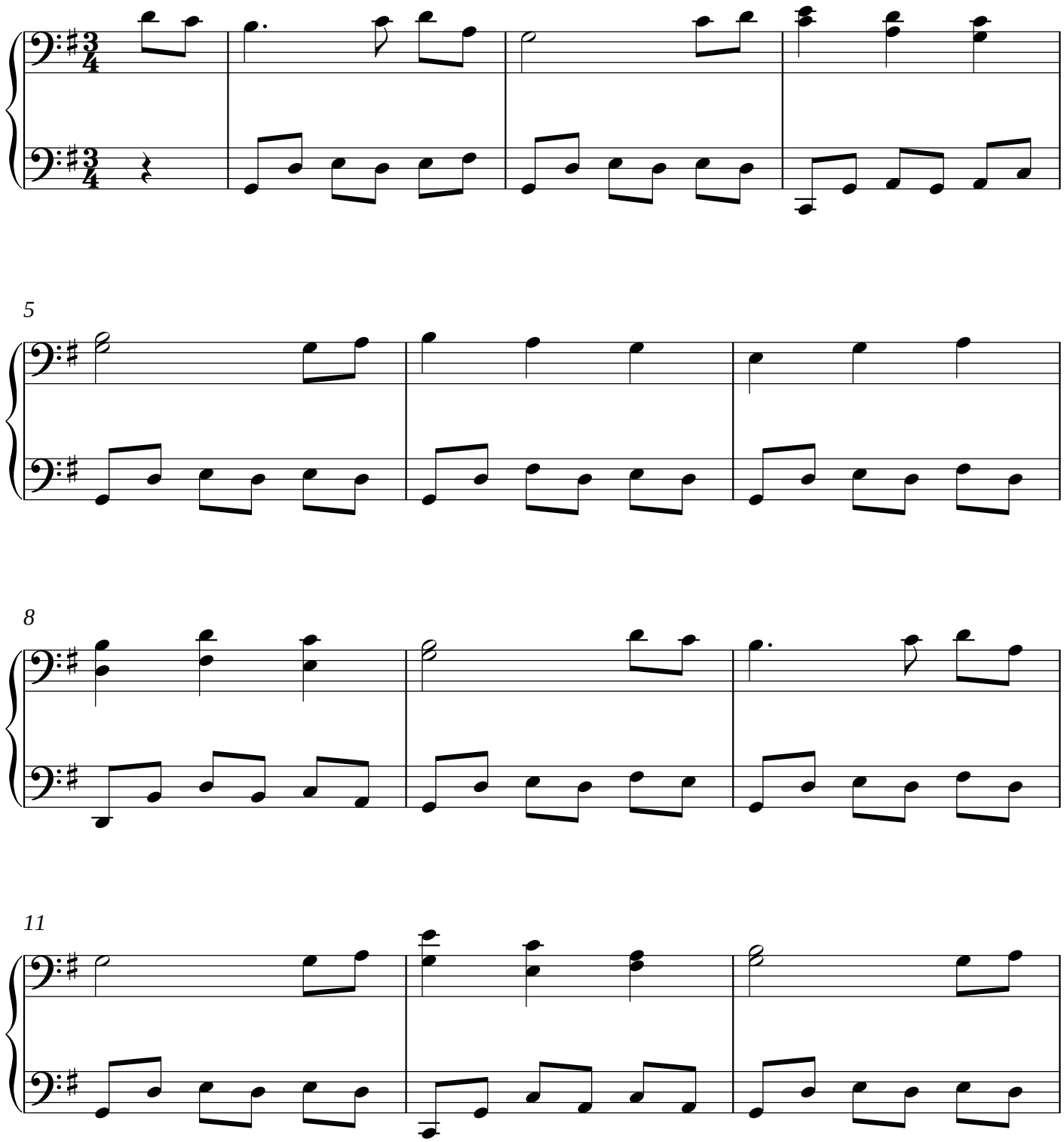

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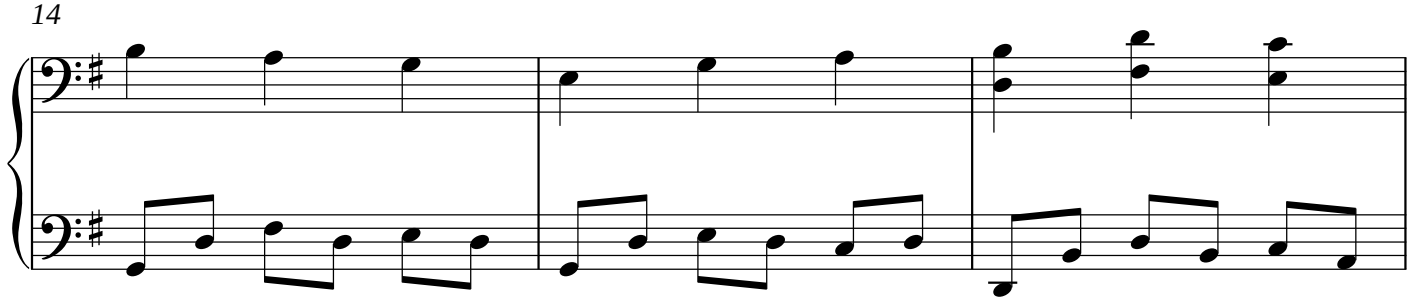

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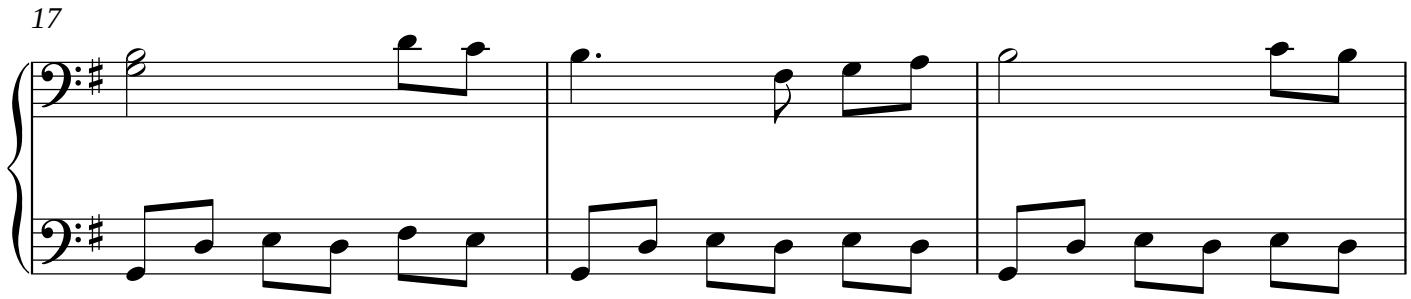

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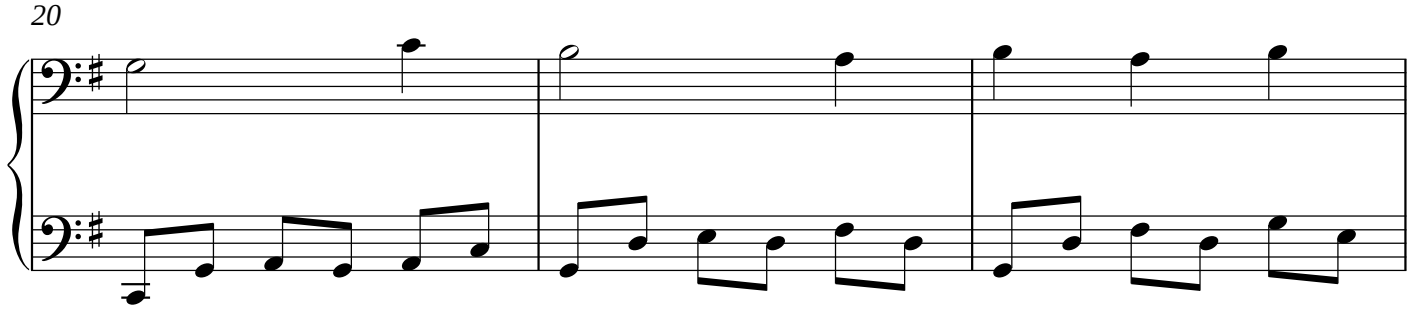

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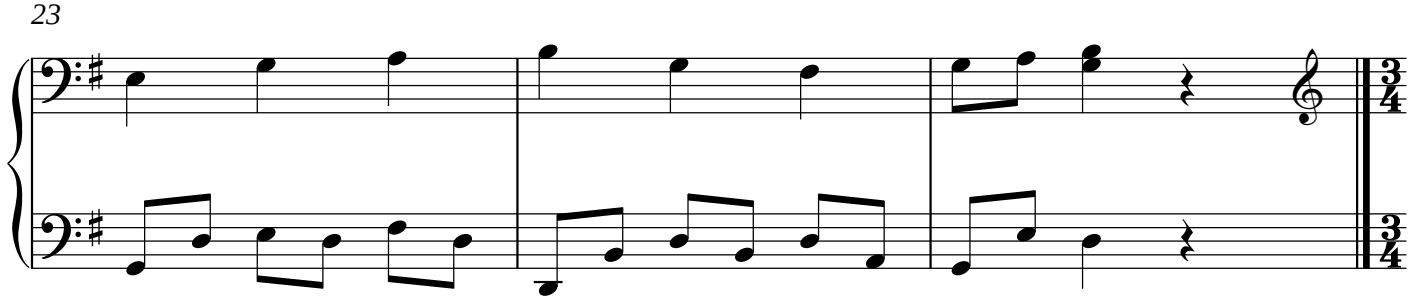

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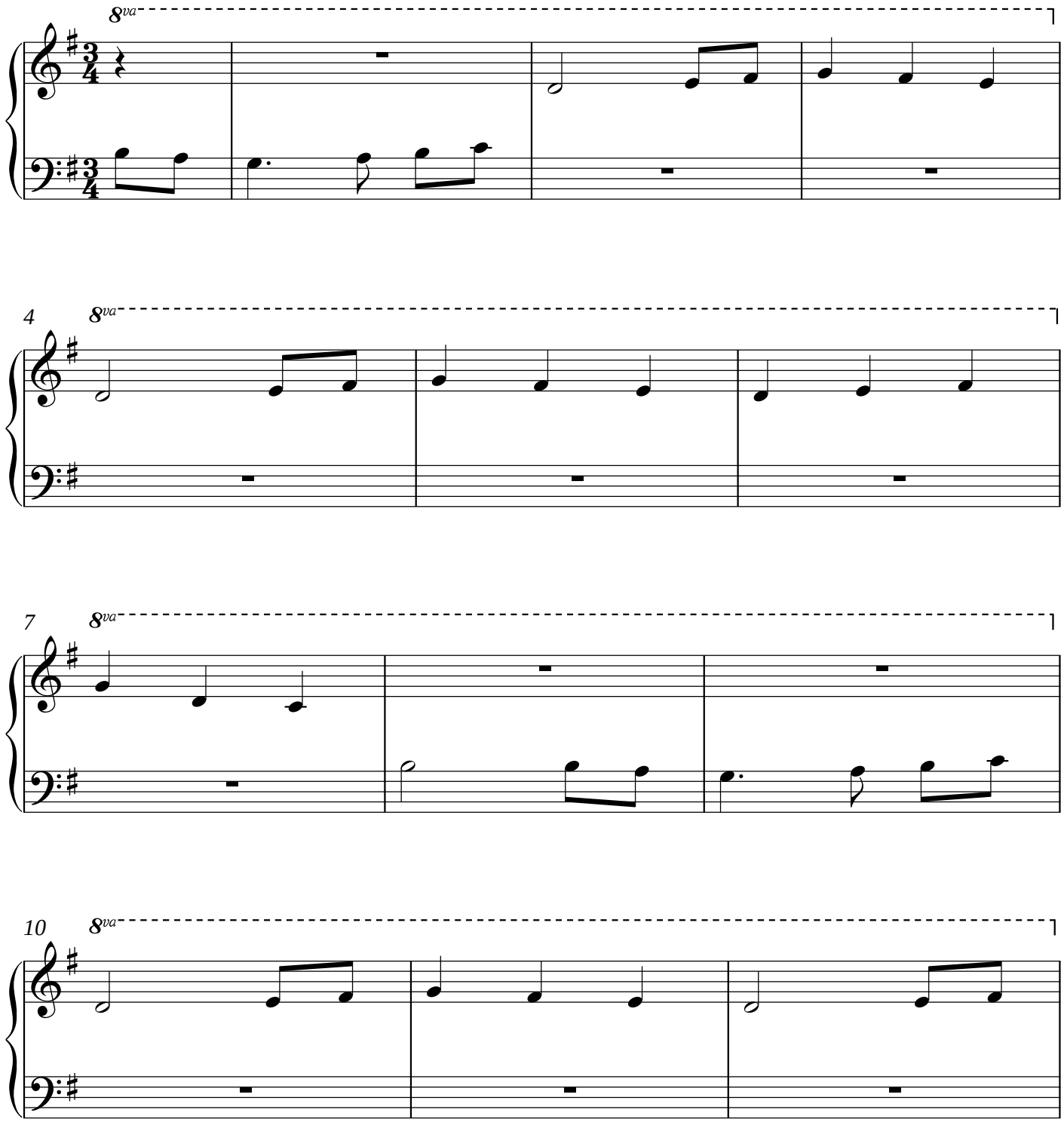

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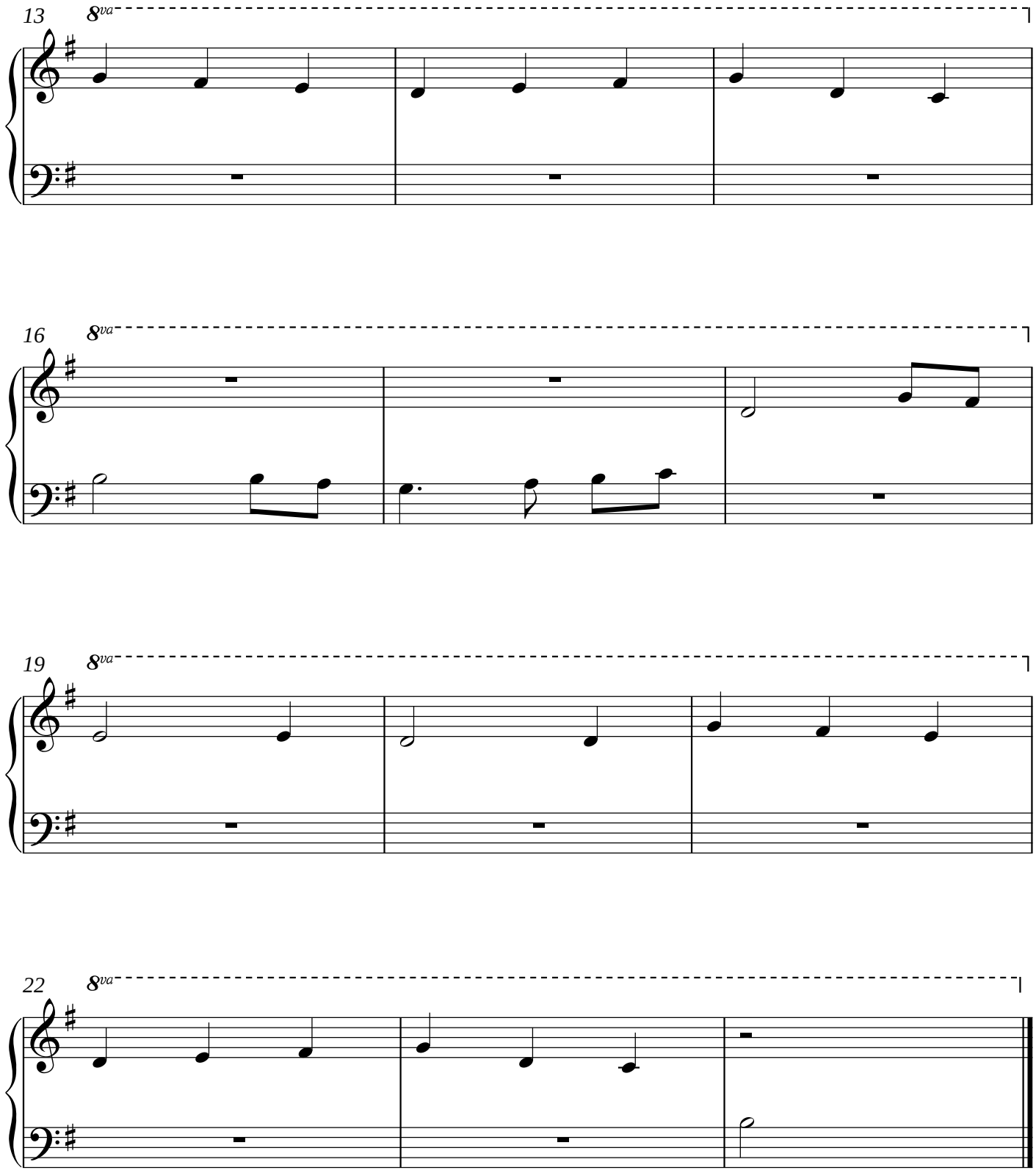
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Children's Song book, anon
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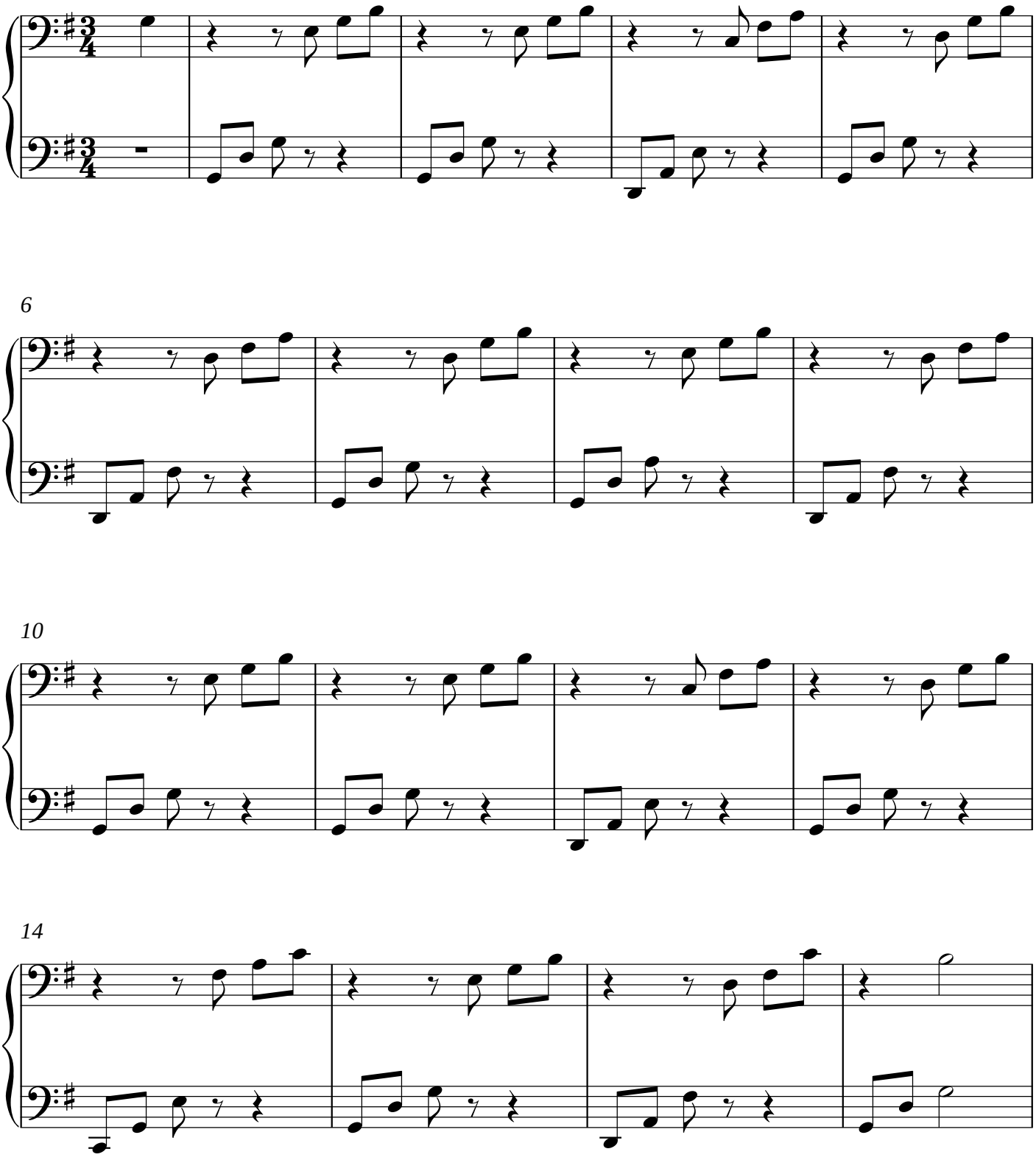

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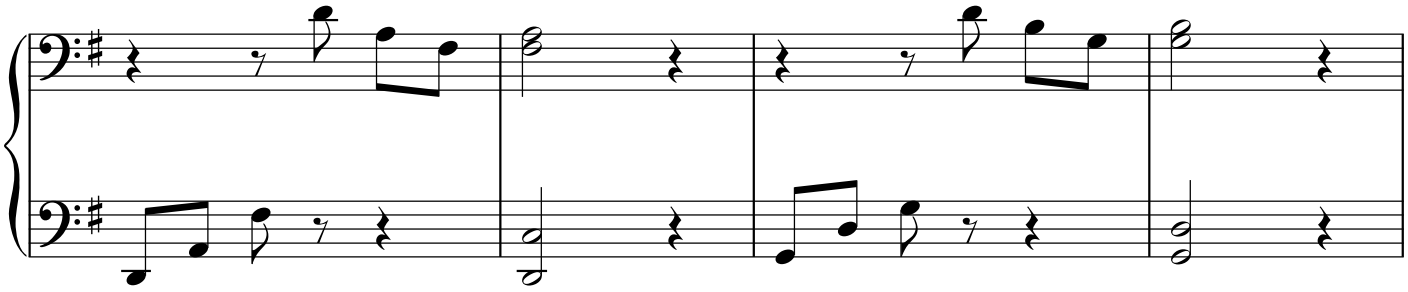

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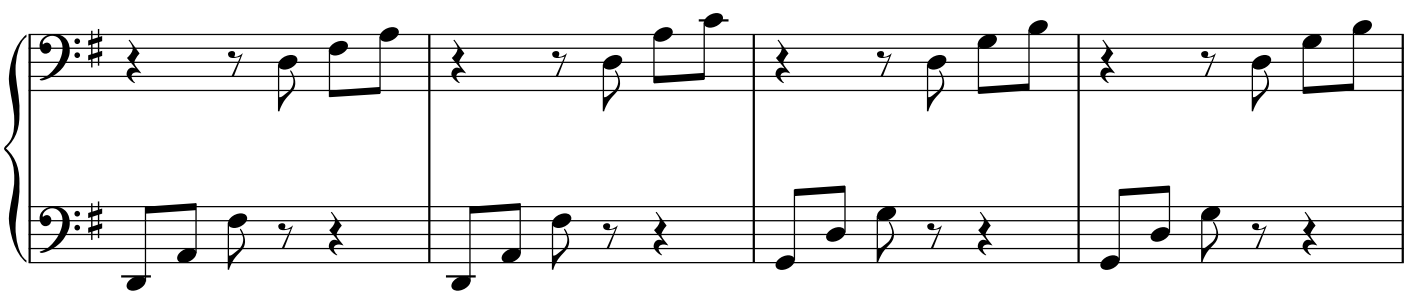

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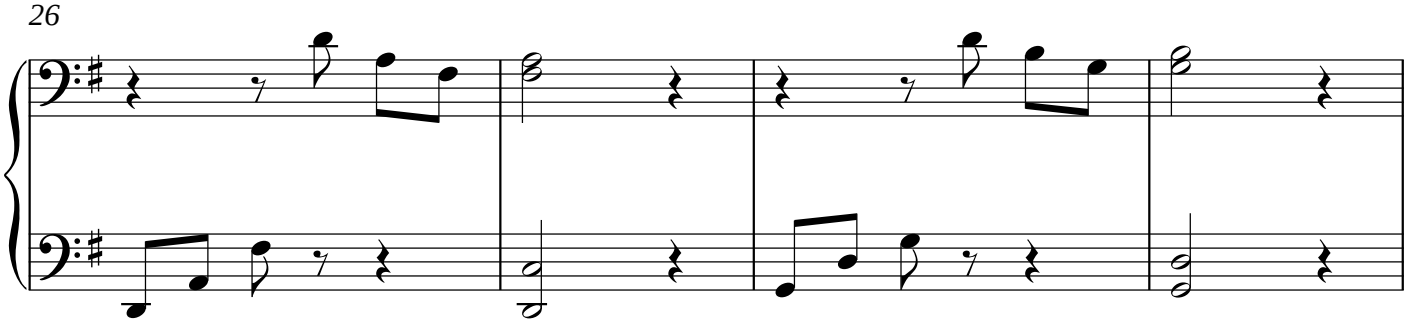

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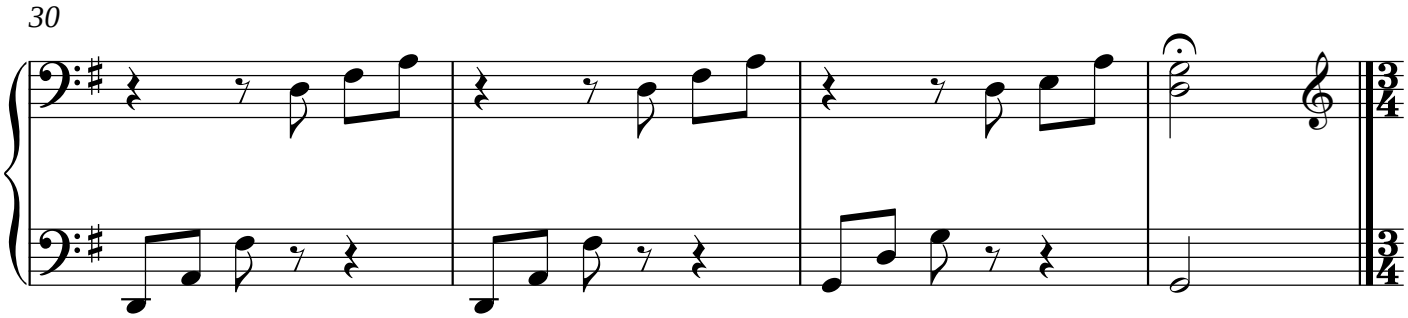

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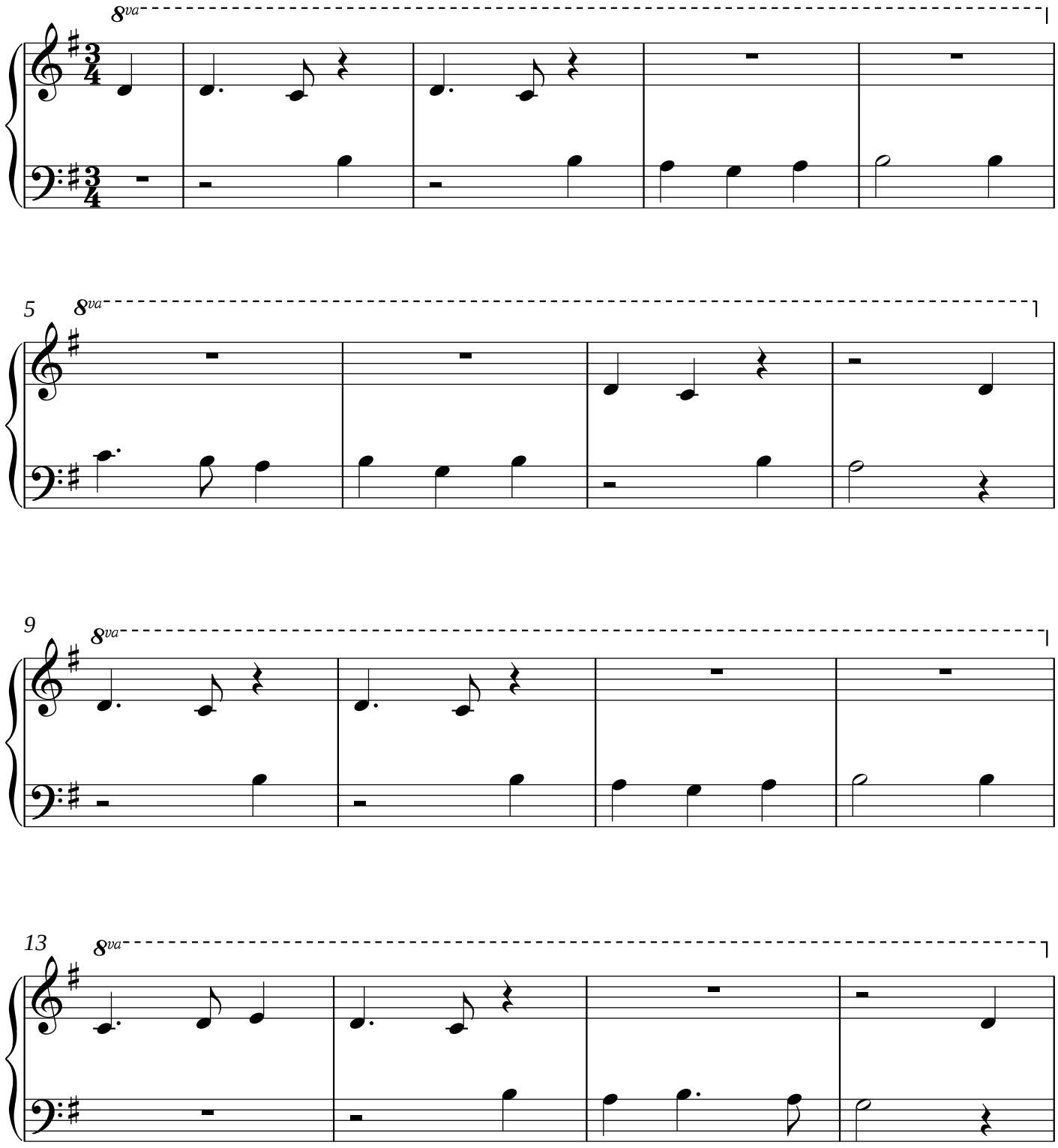

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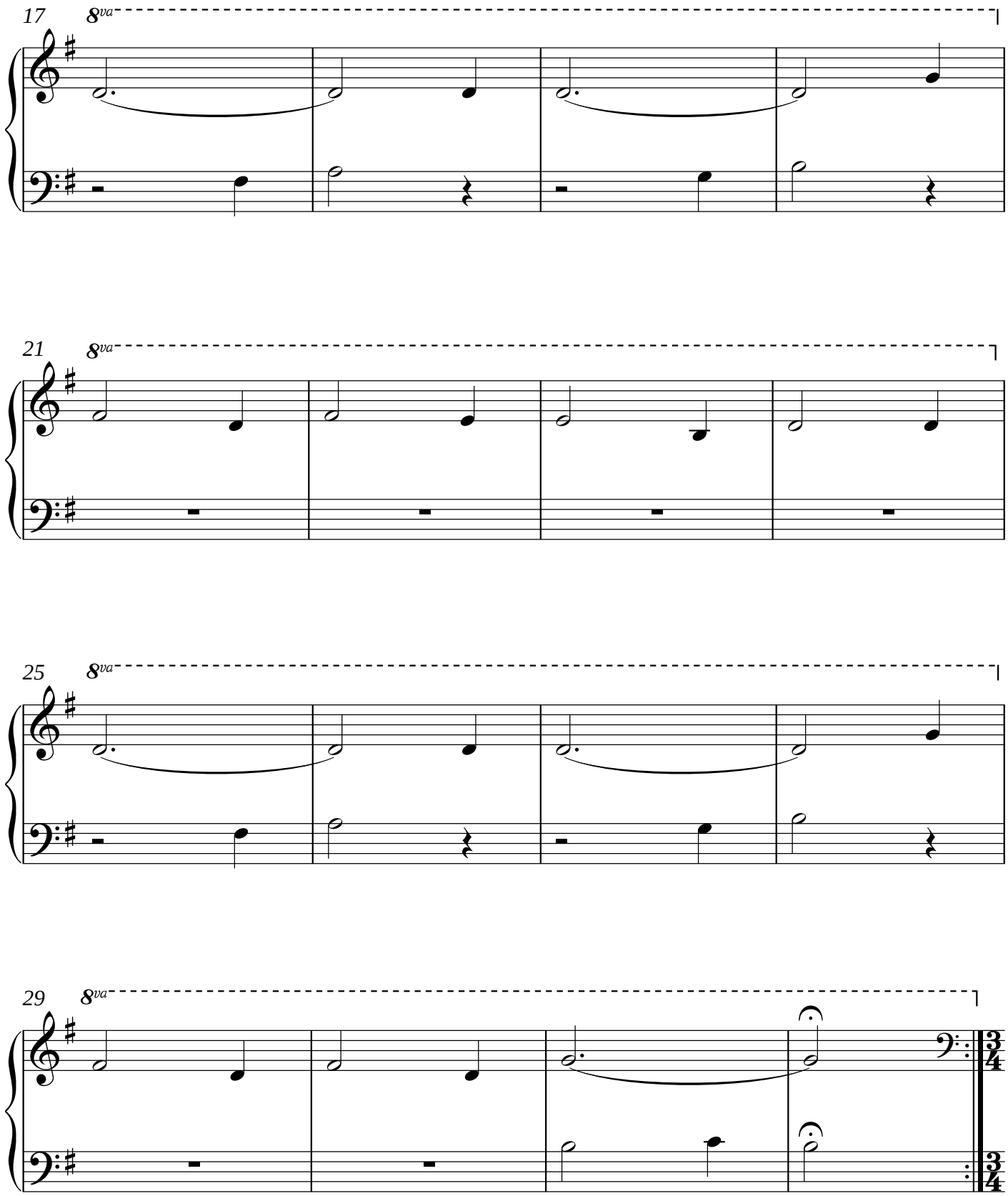
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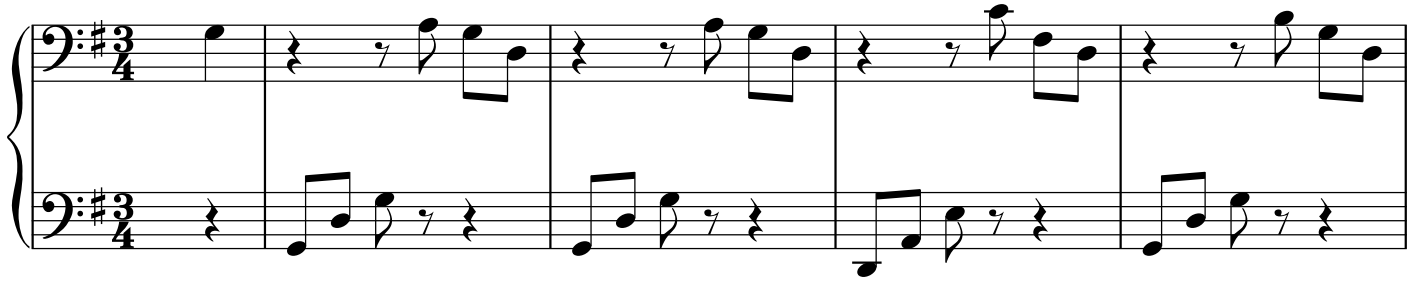

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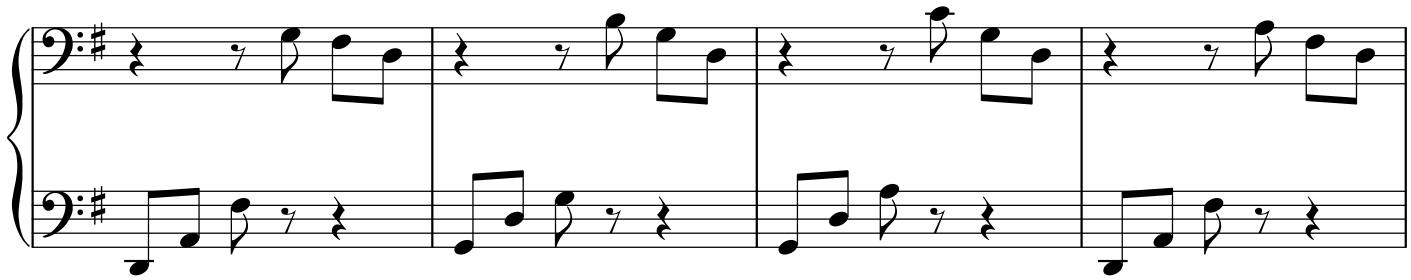

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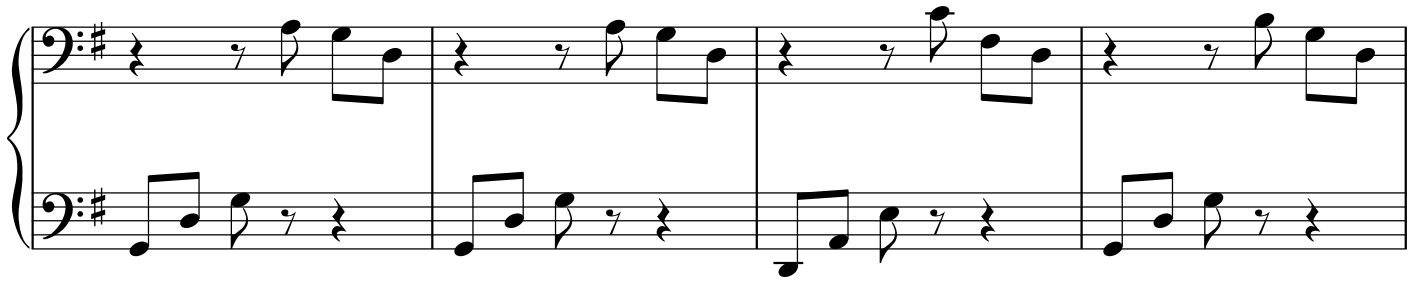

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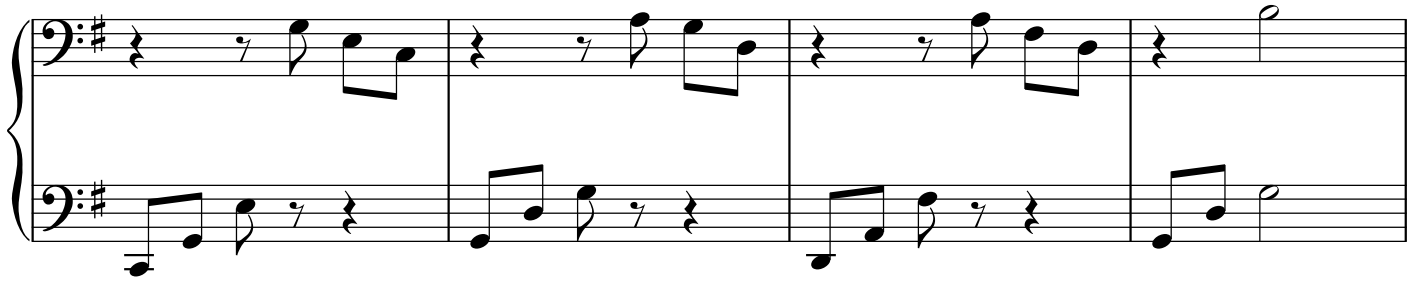

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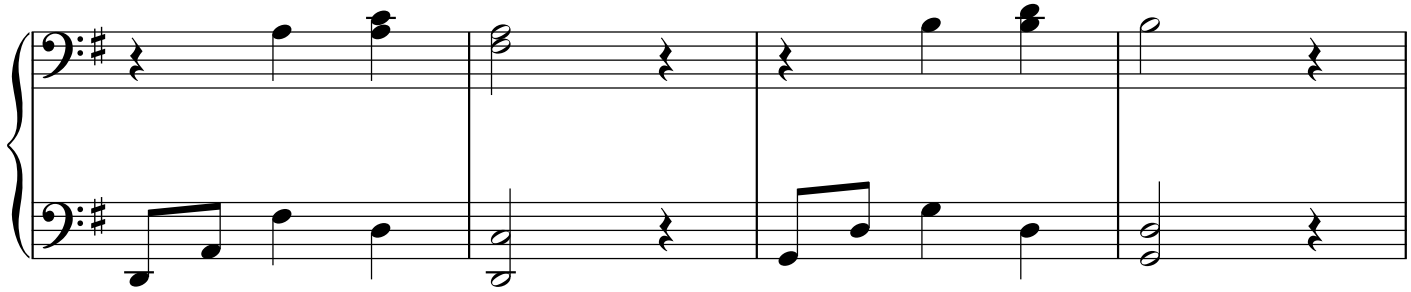

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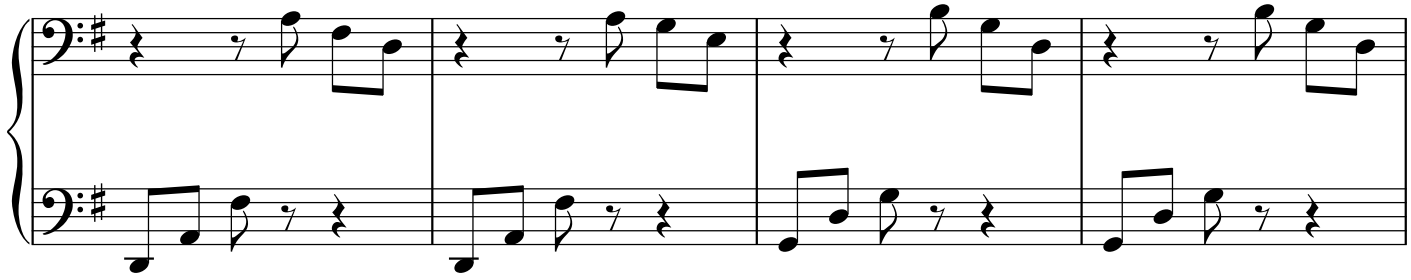

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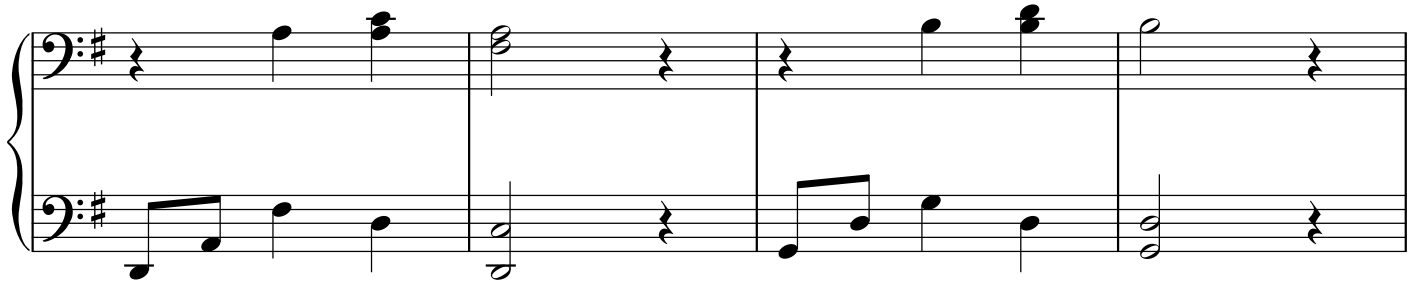

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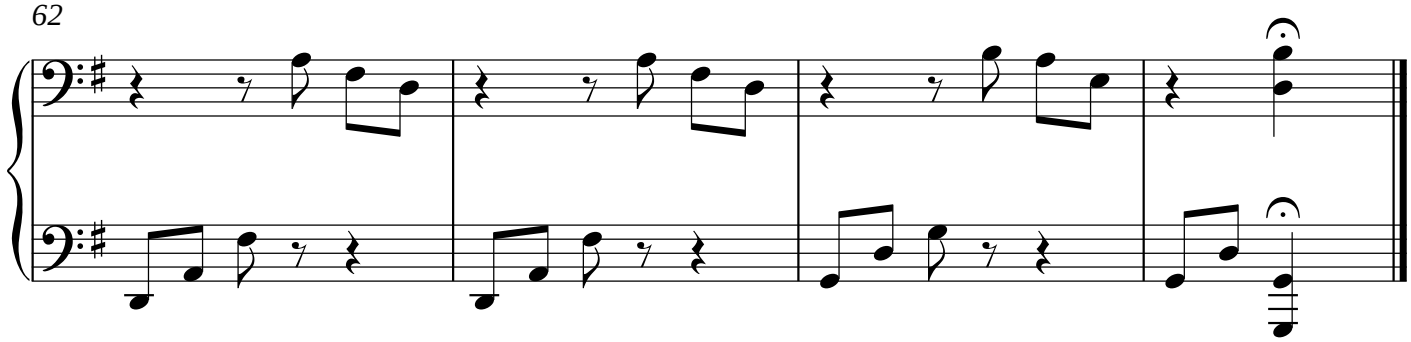

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Majestically ♩ = 88-104

John F. Wade, ca.1711-1786
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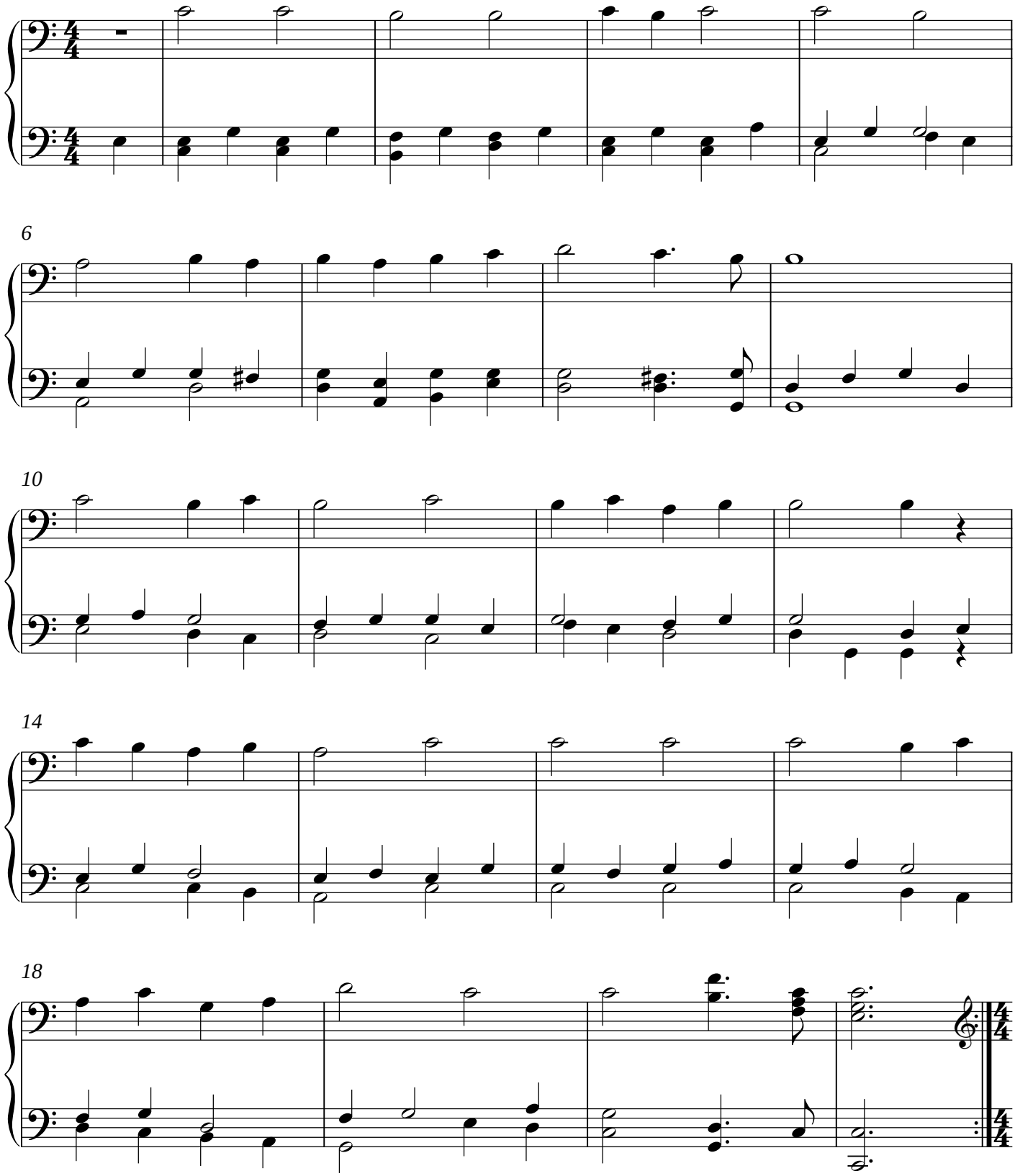

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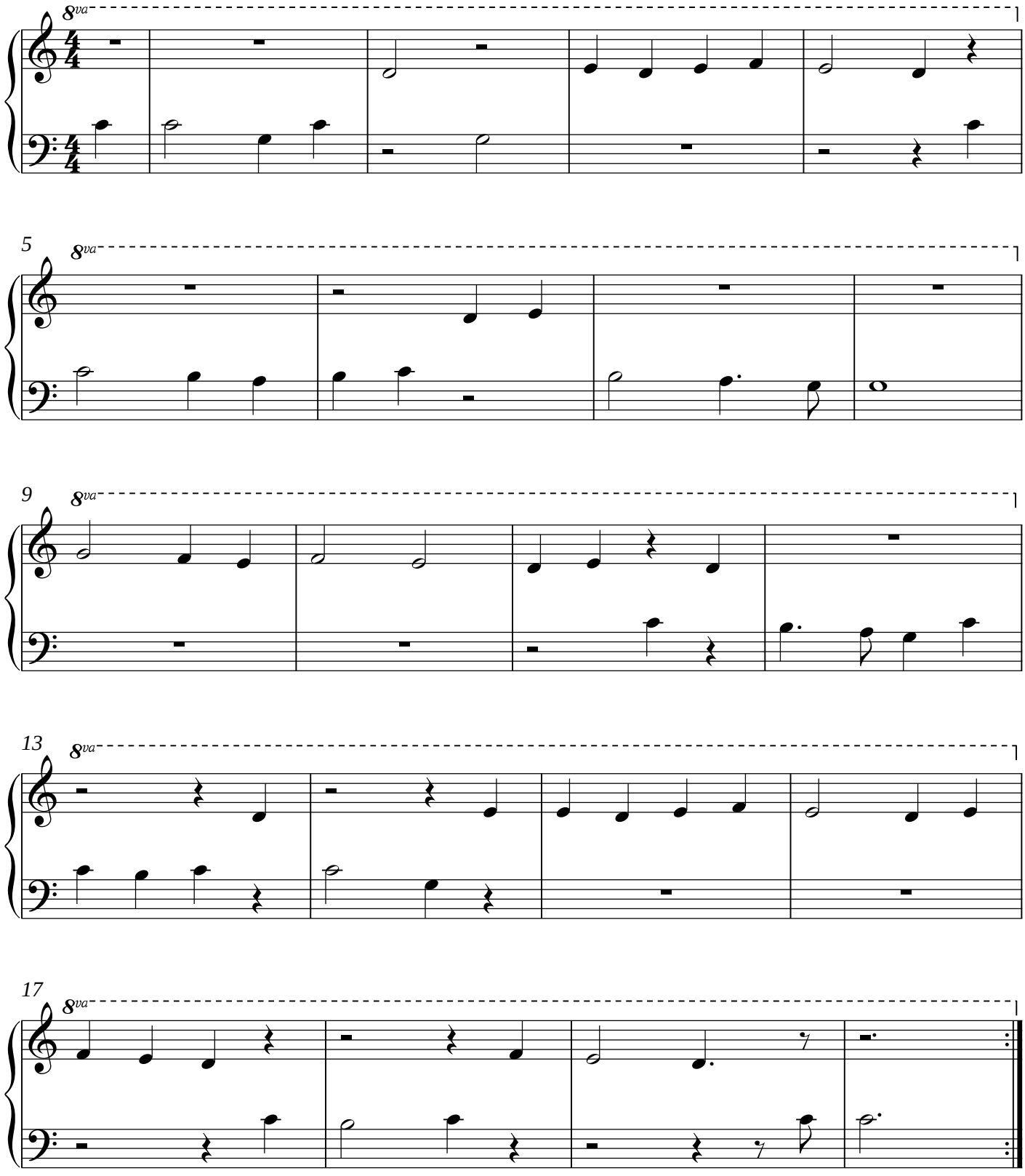

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Brooks Redner, 1835-1893
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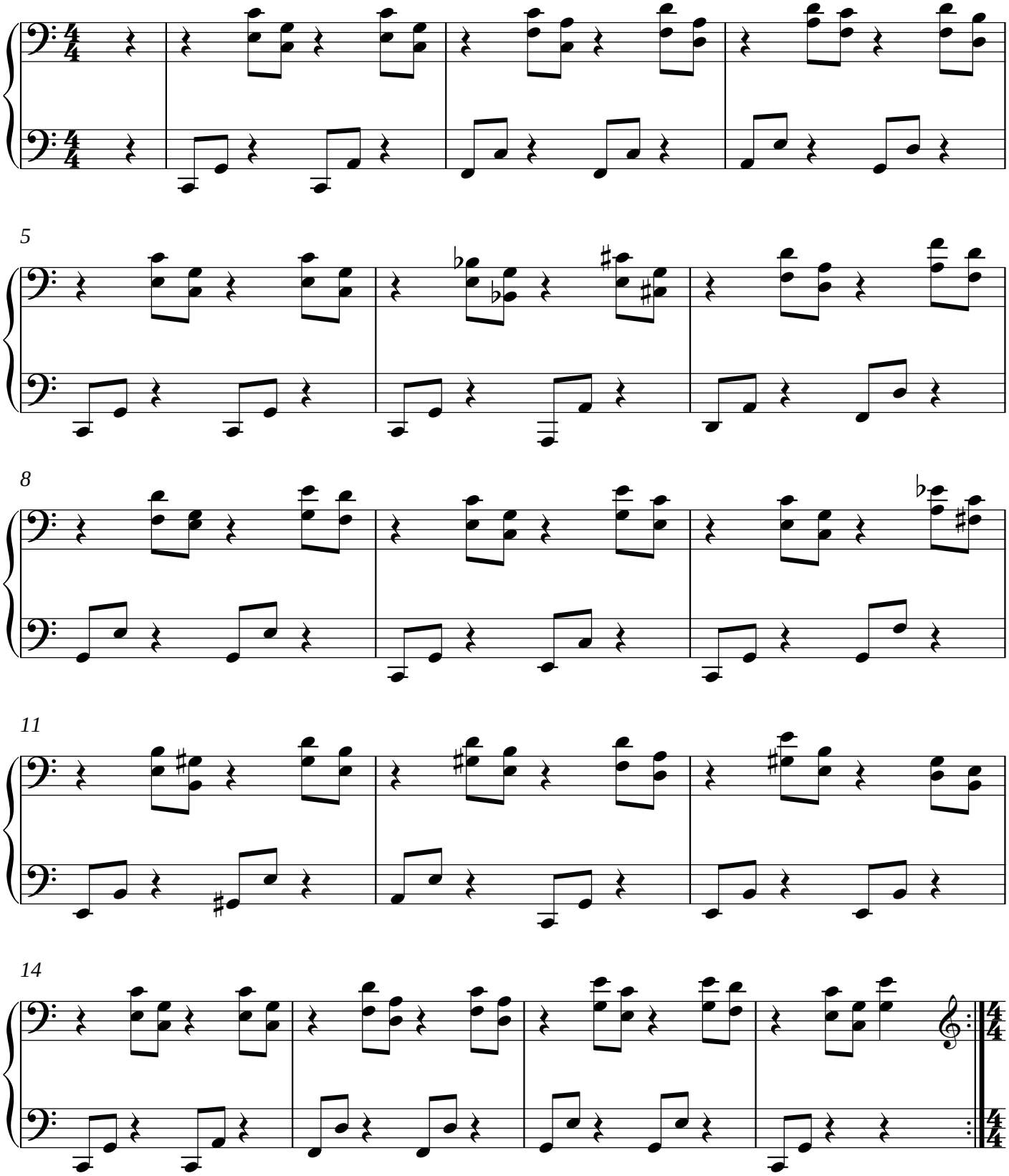

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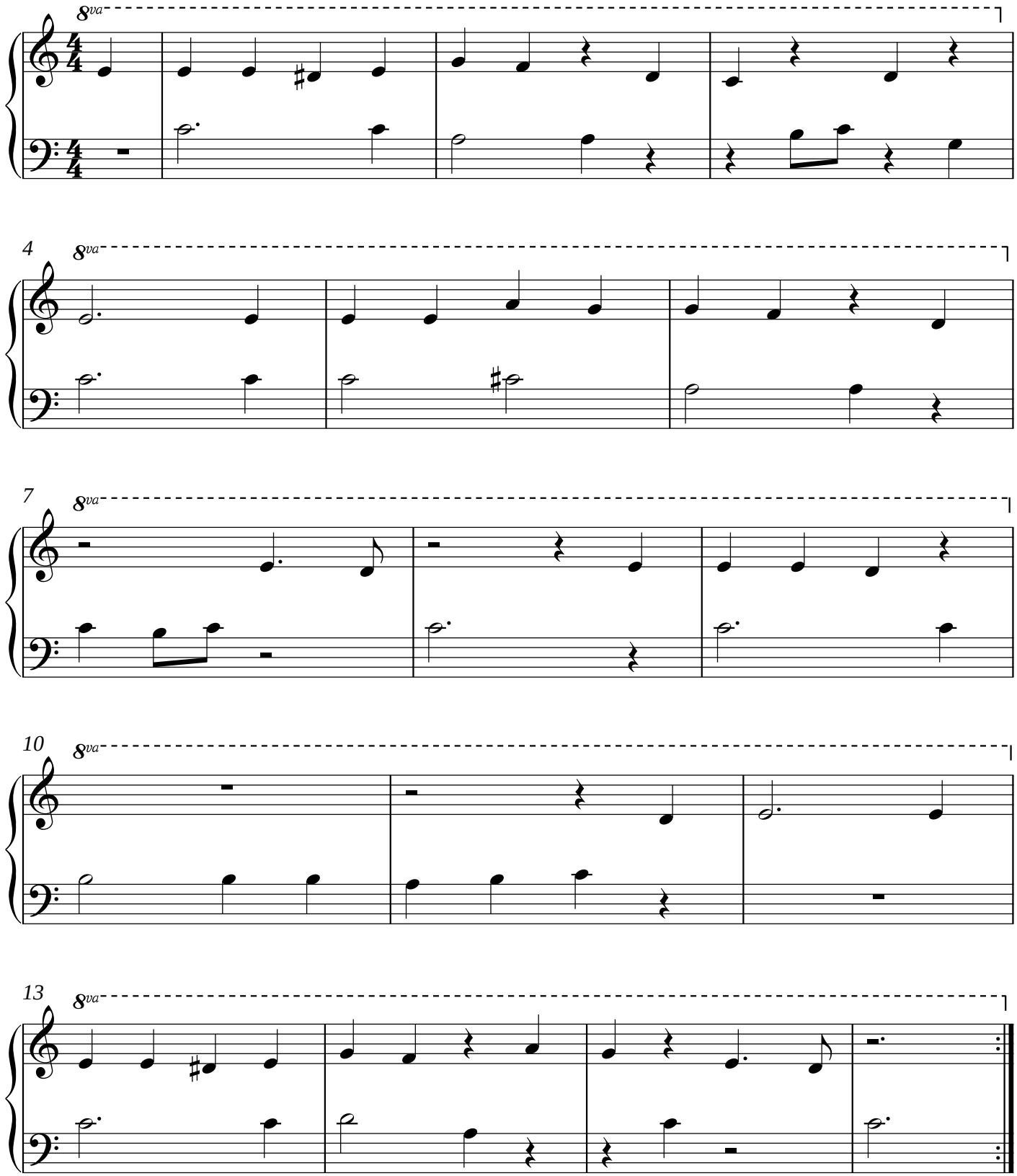

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English Folk Tune
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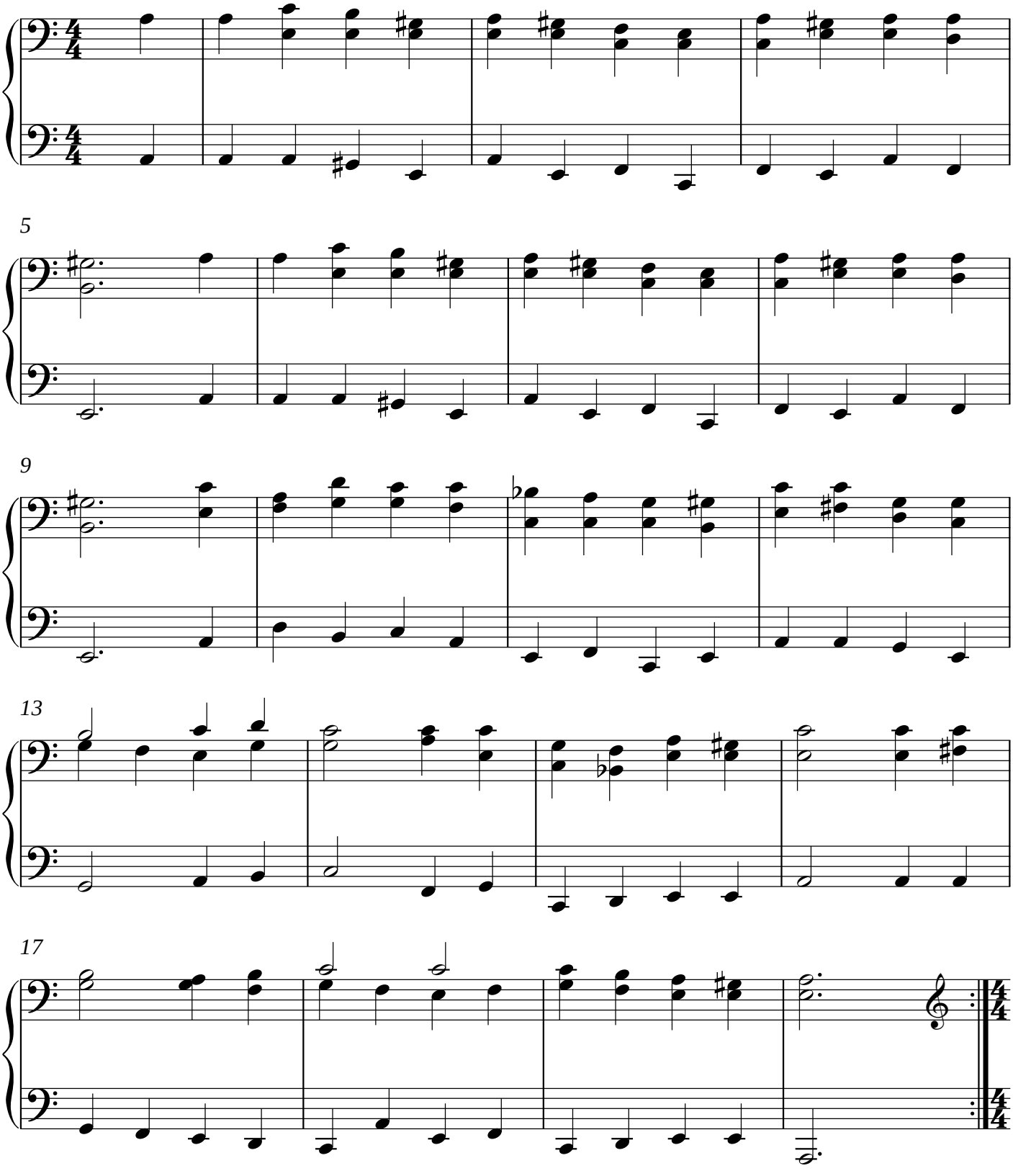

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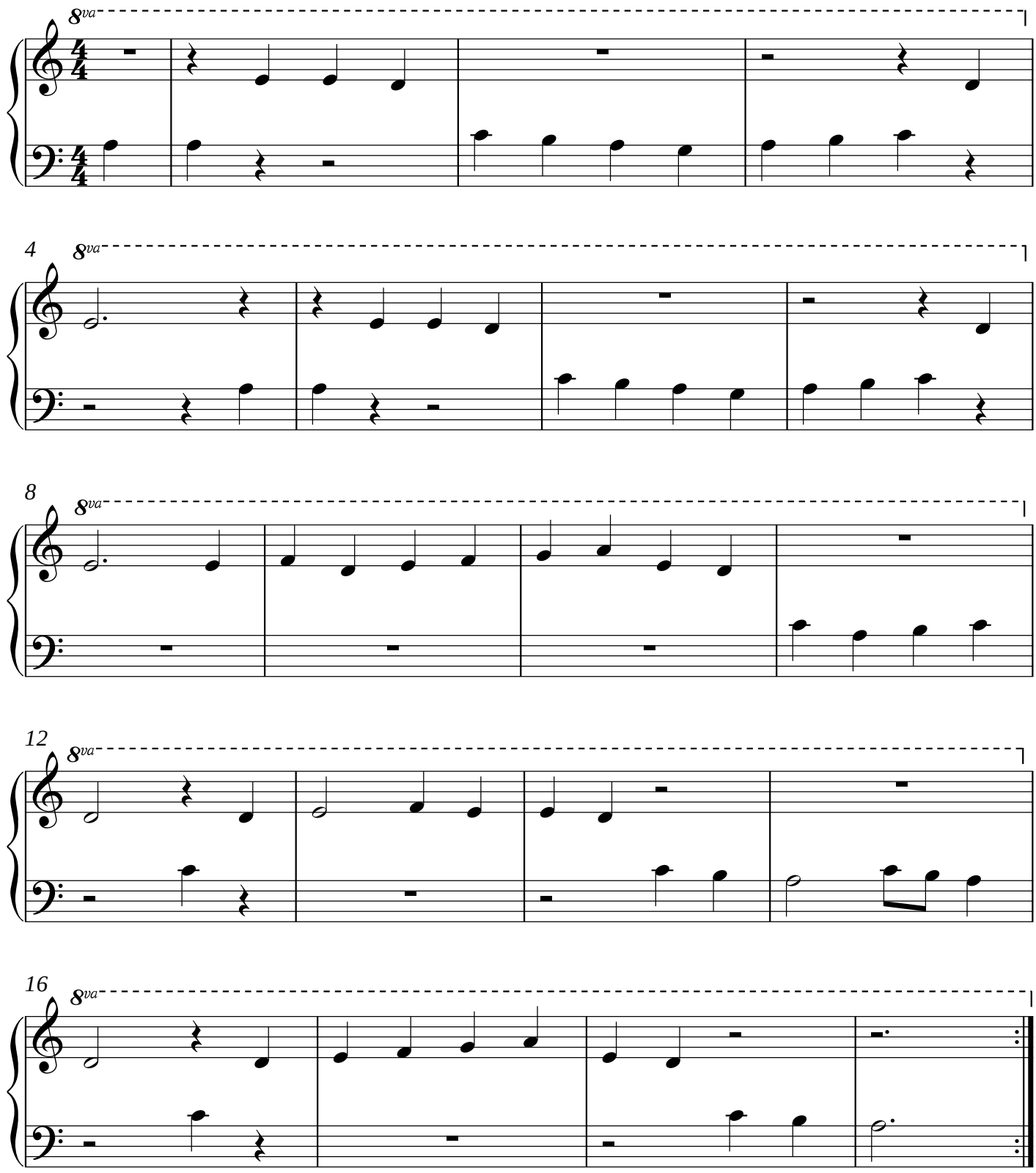

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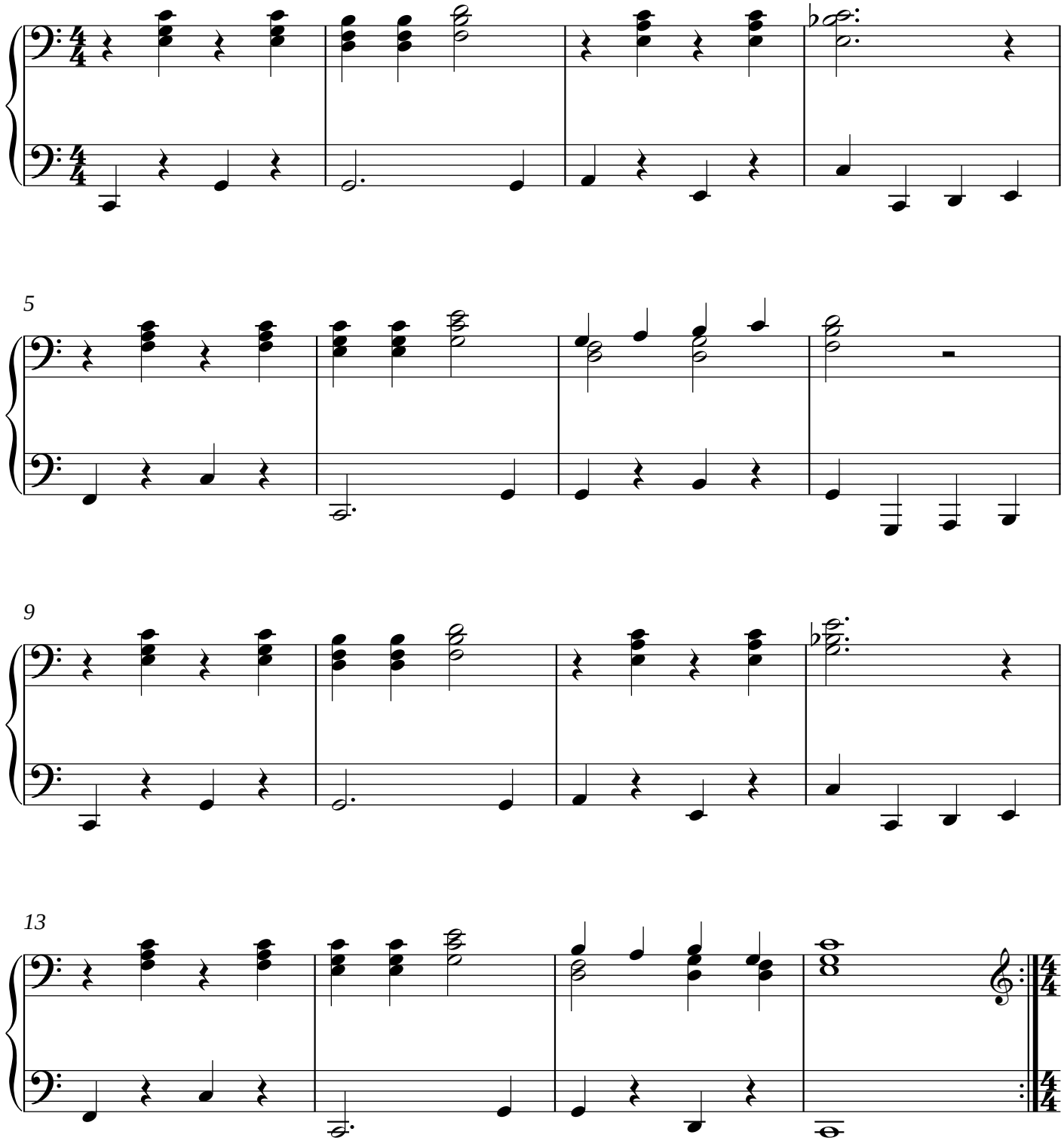

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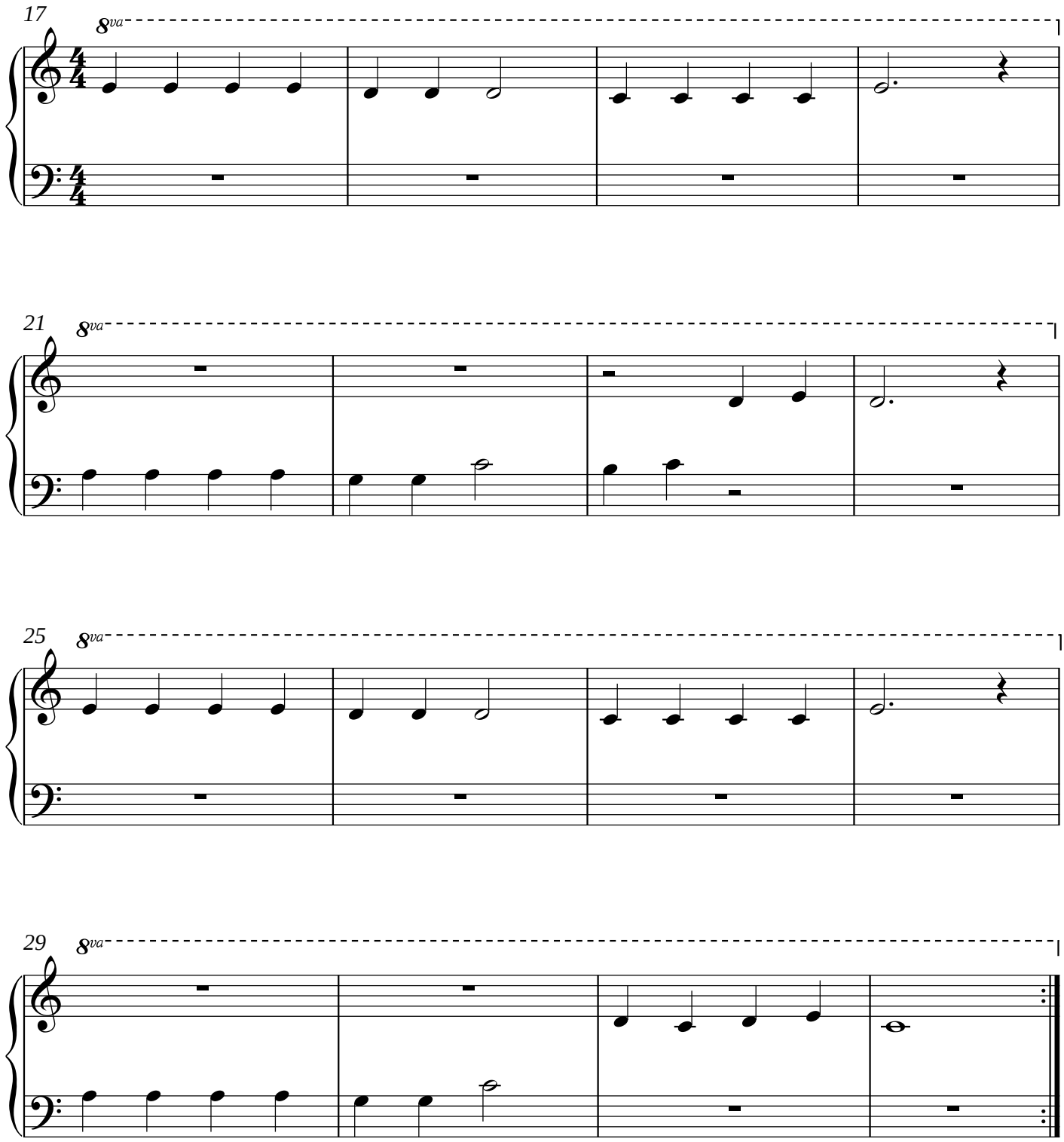

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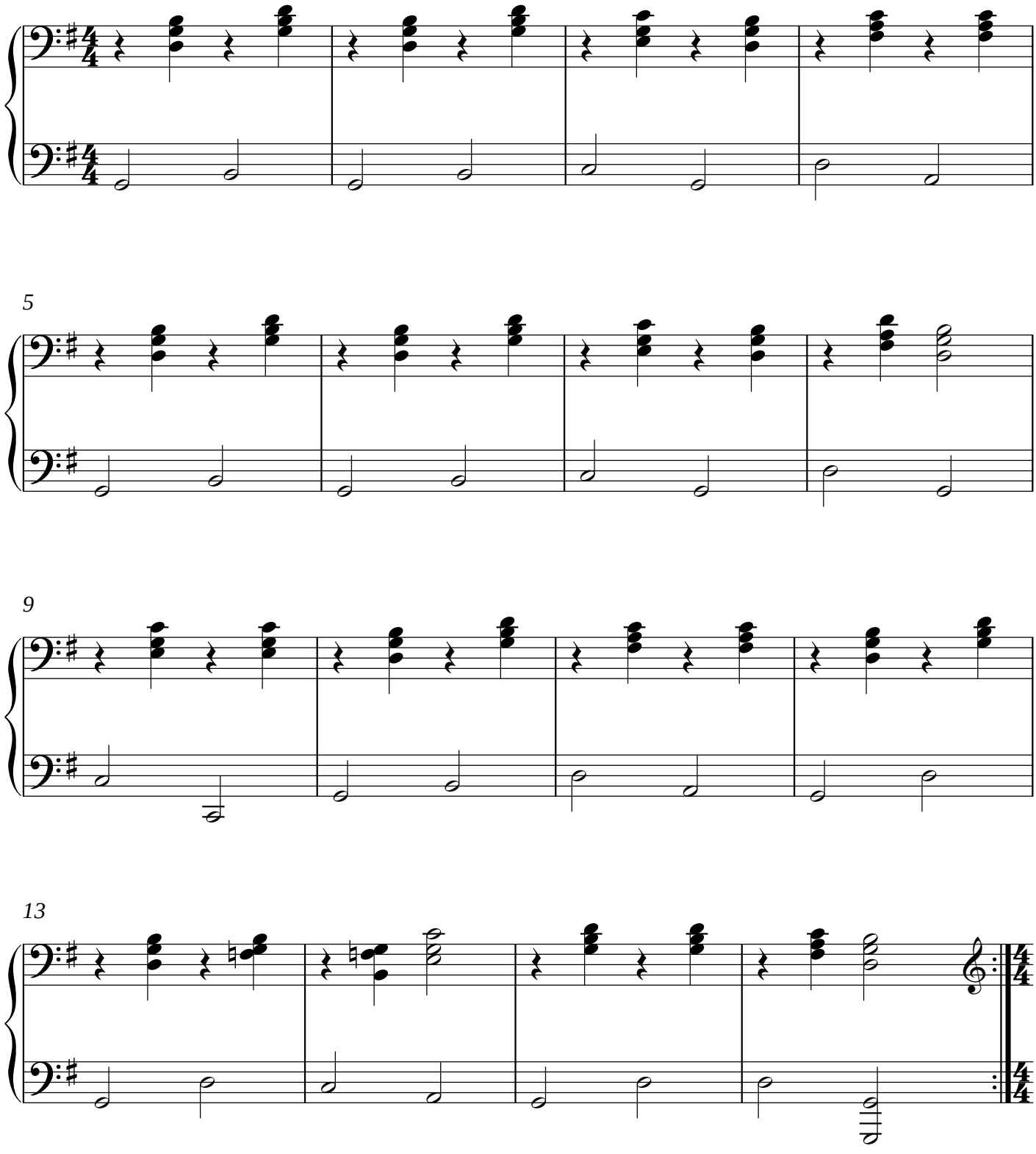

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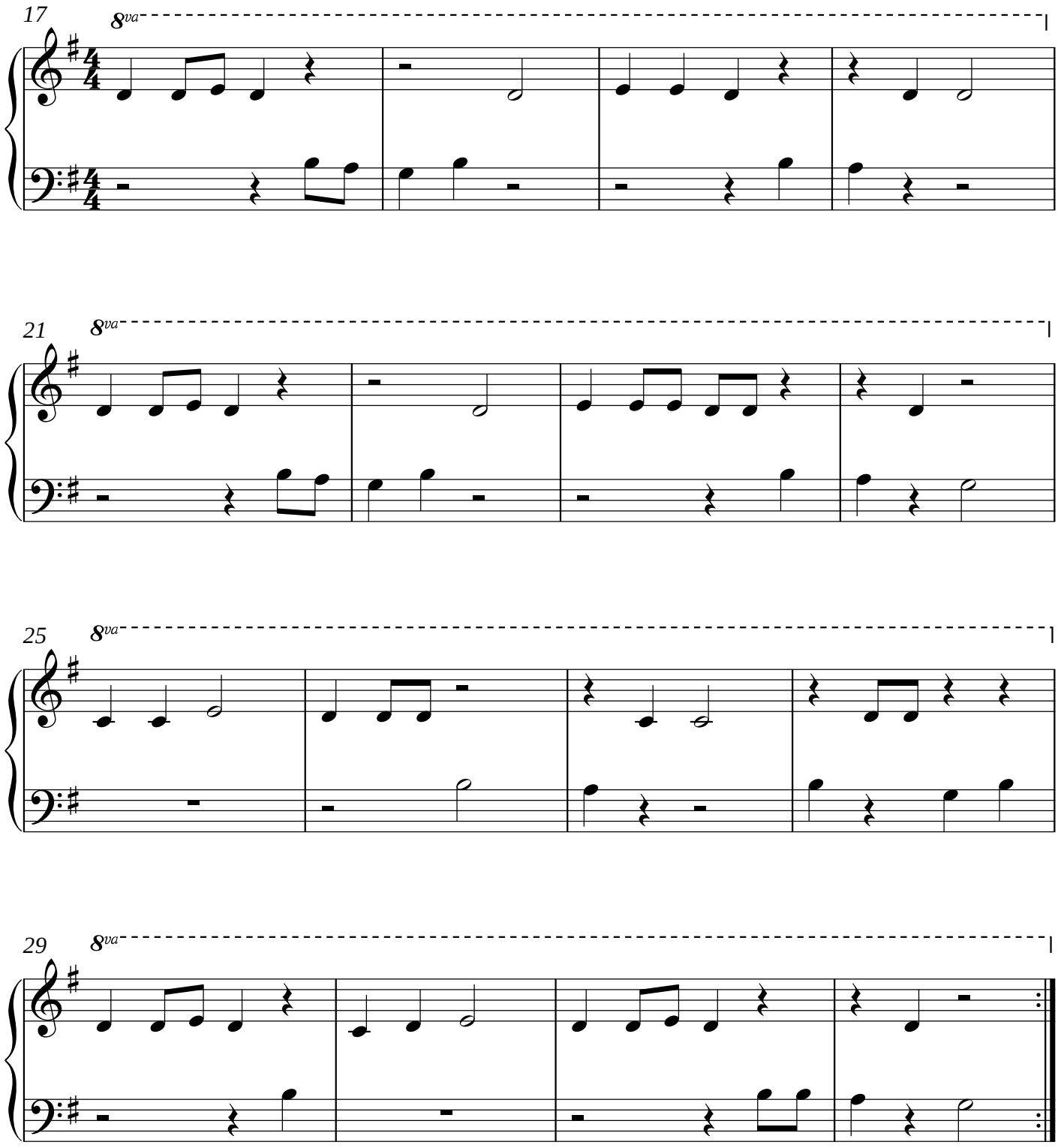

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Deck the Halls

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Lively ♩ = 102-116

Welsh Carol
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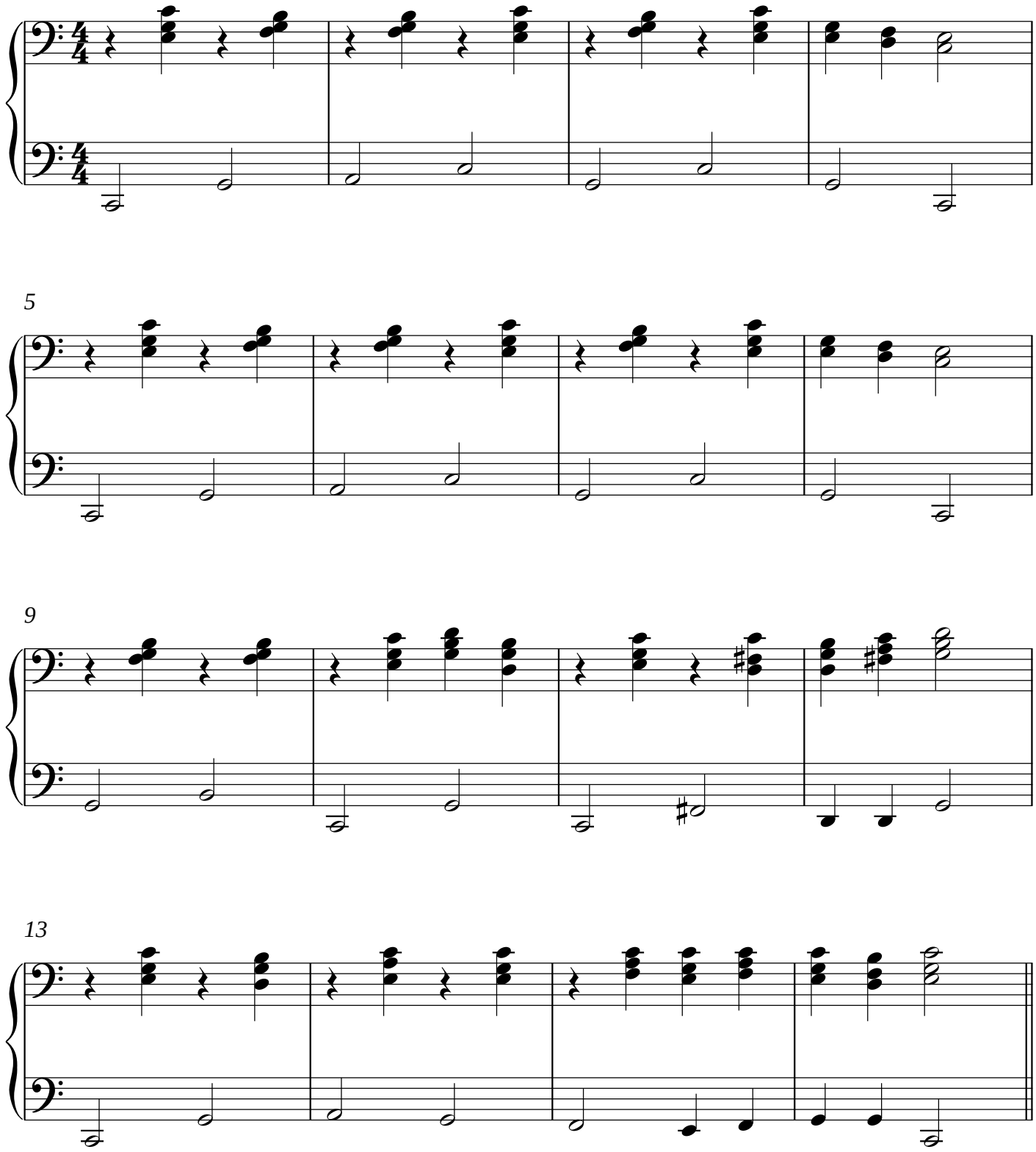

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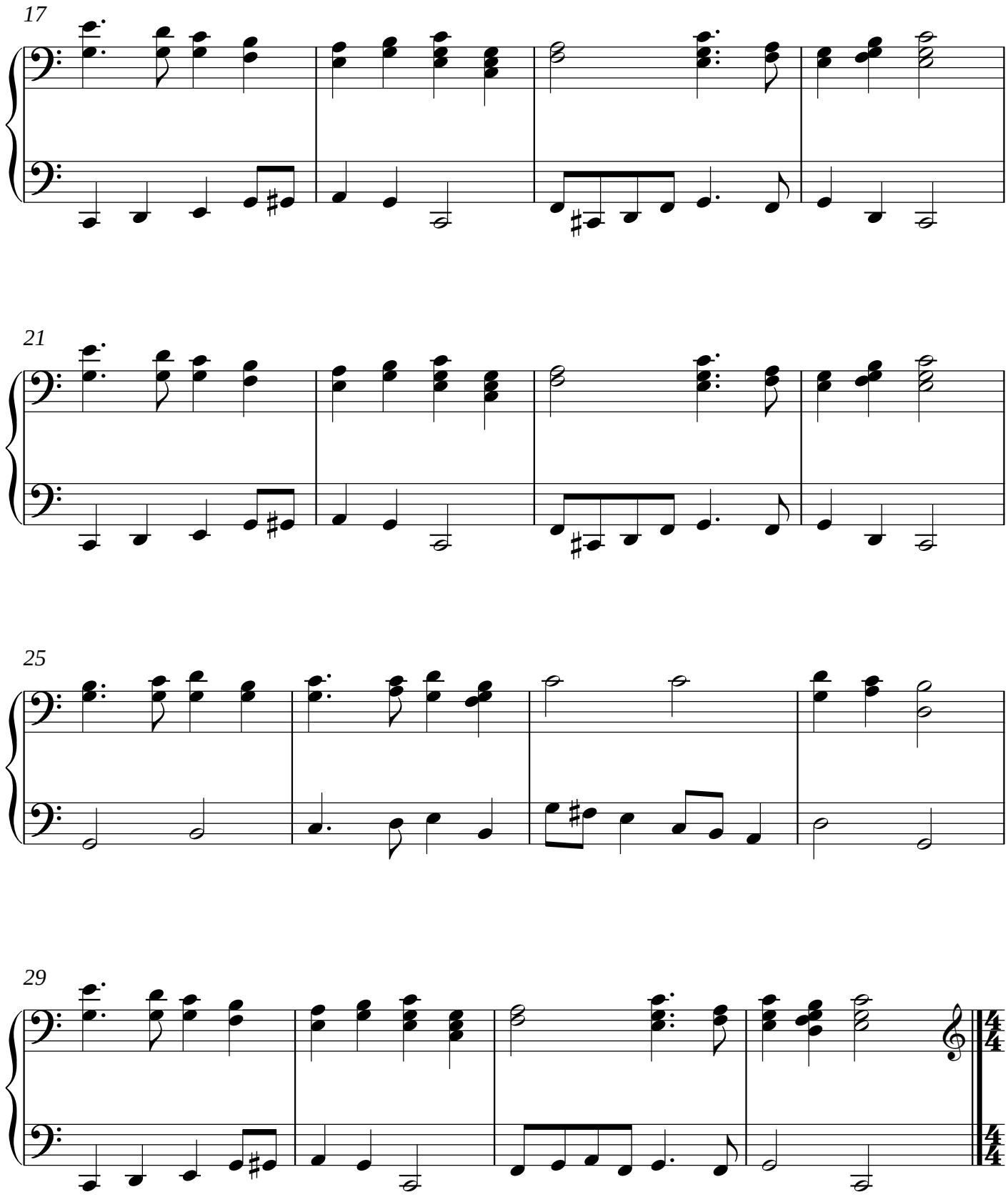
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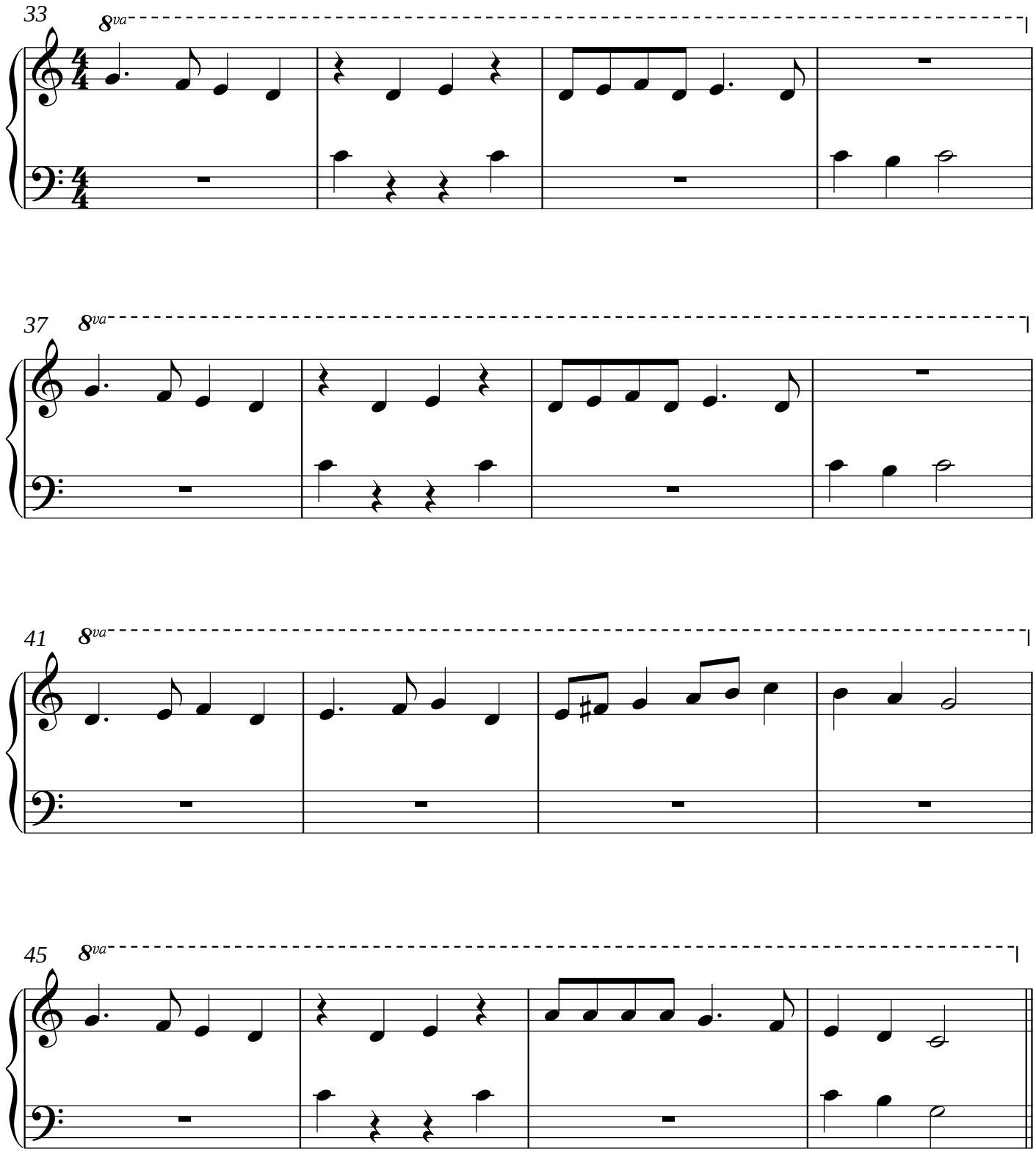

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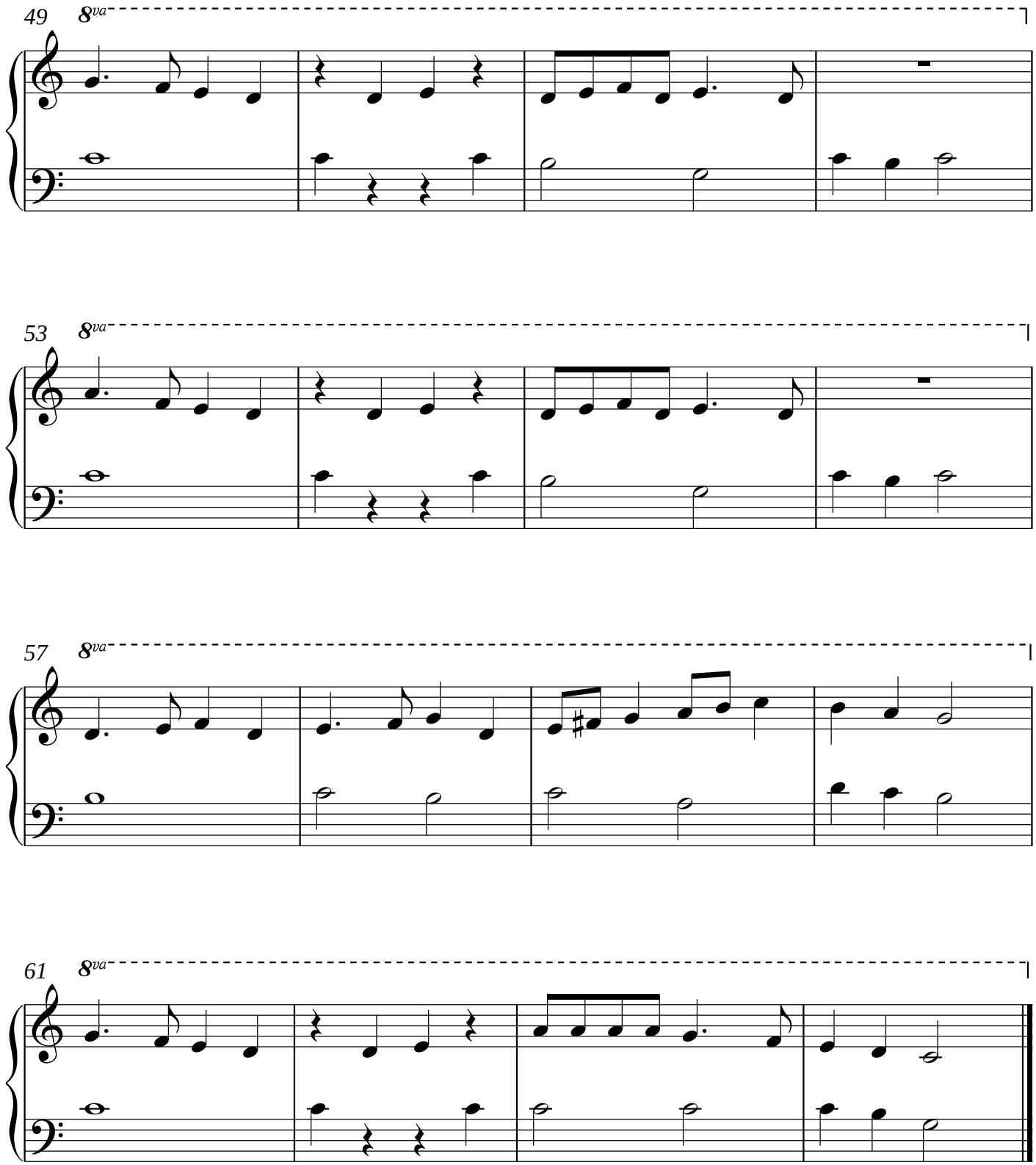
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Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

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Johnny Marks
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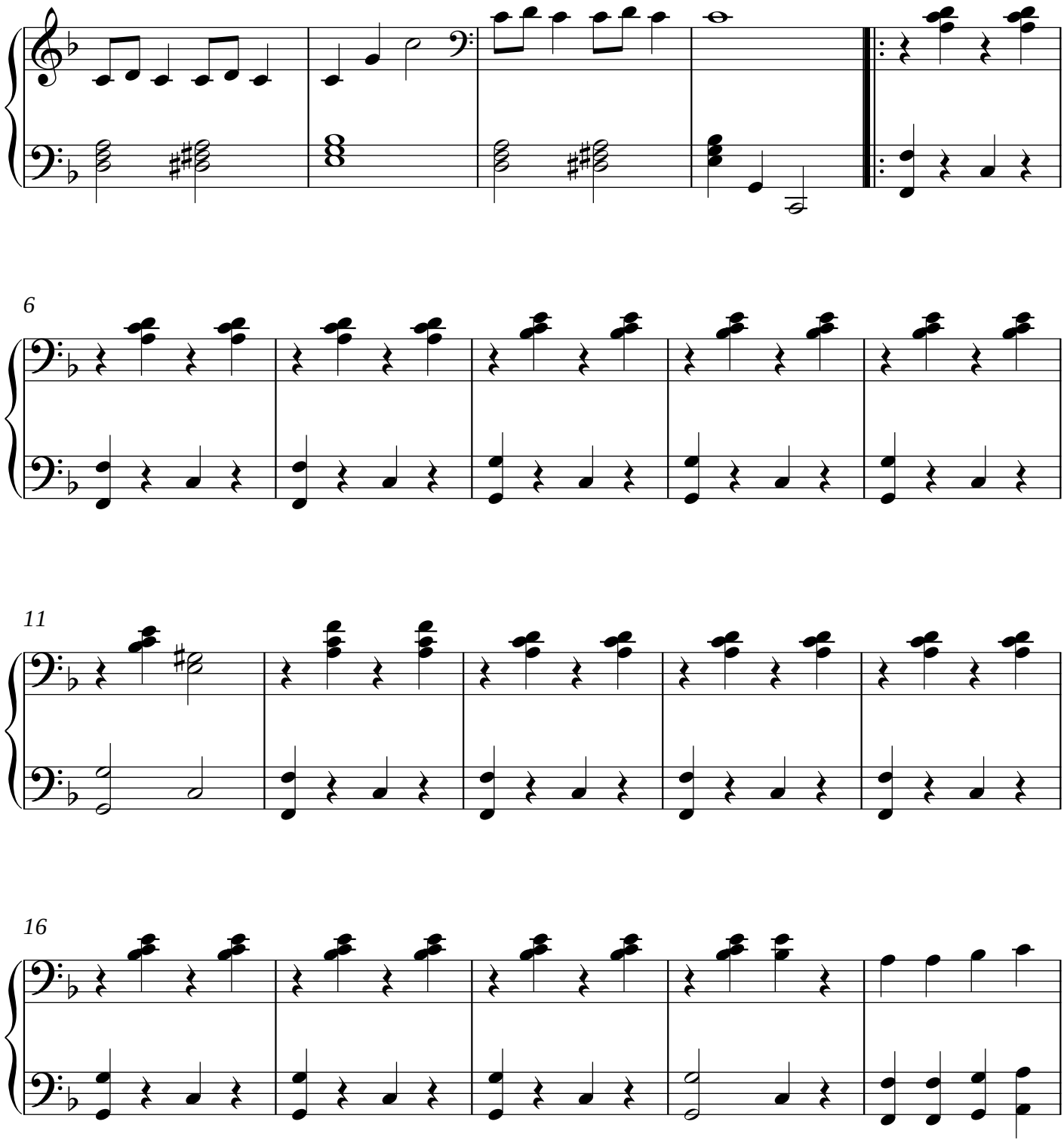

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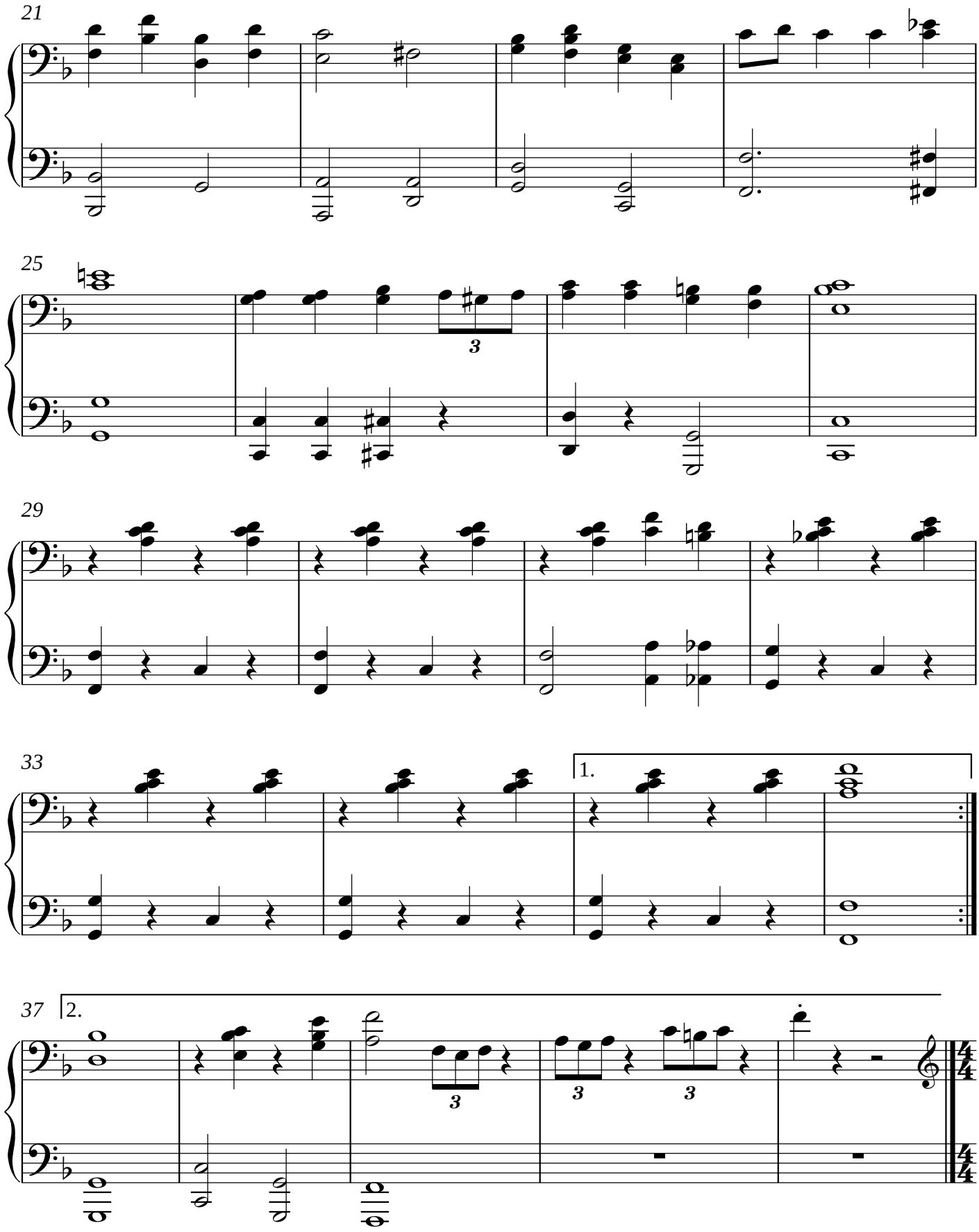
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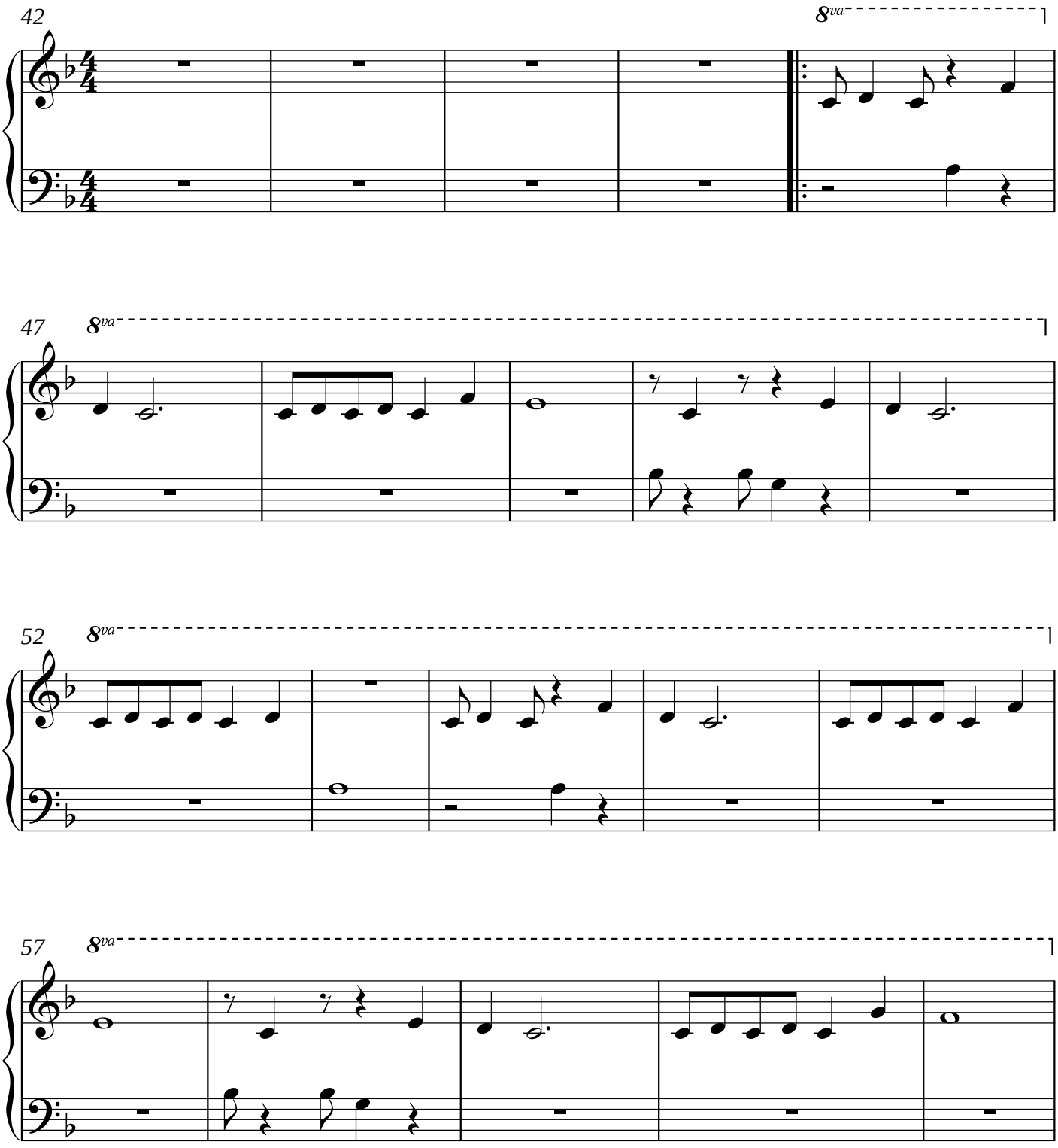

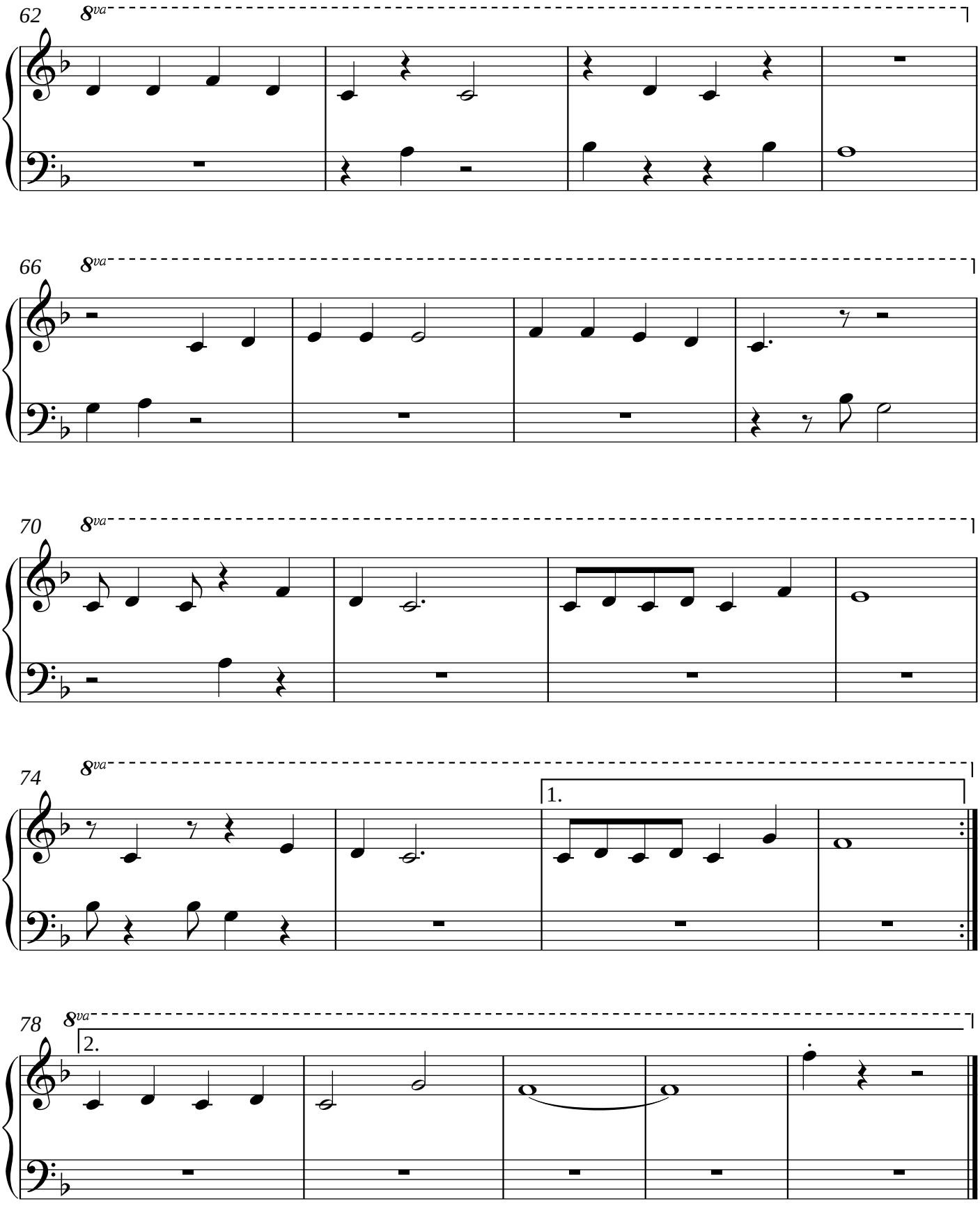
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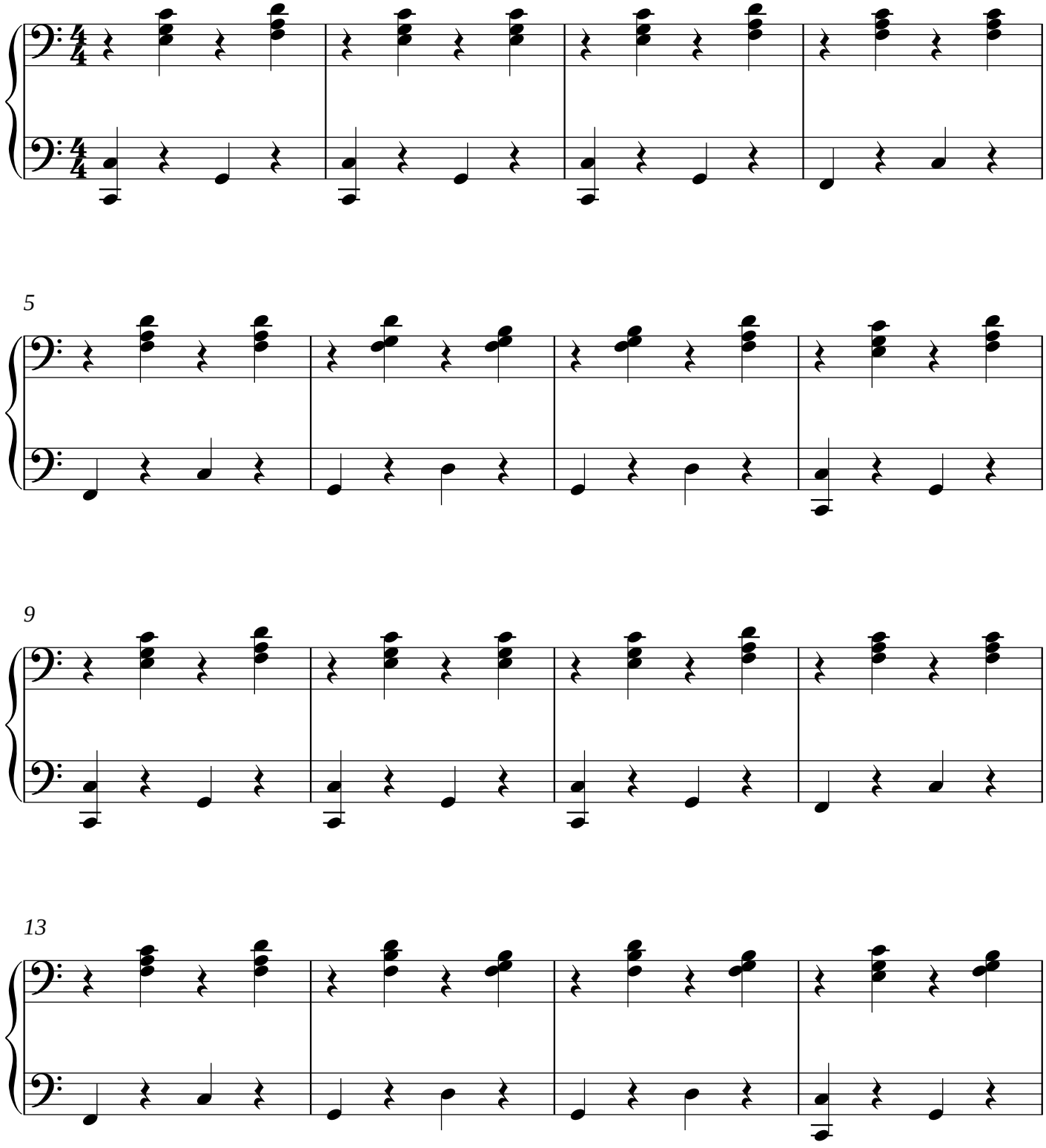

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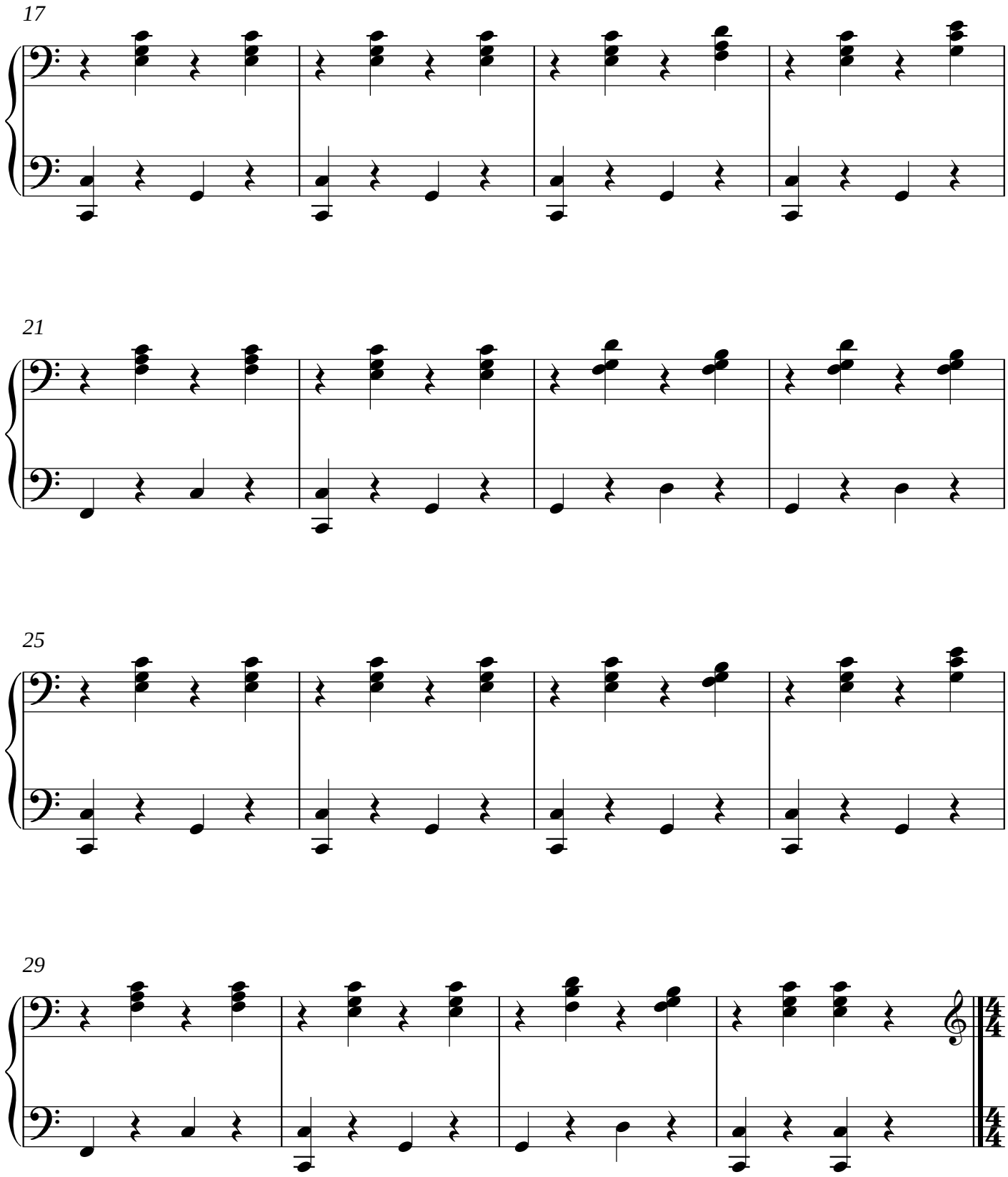
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Jingle Bells

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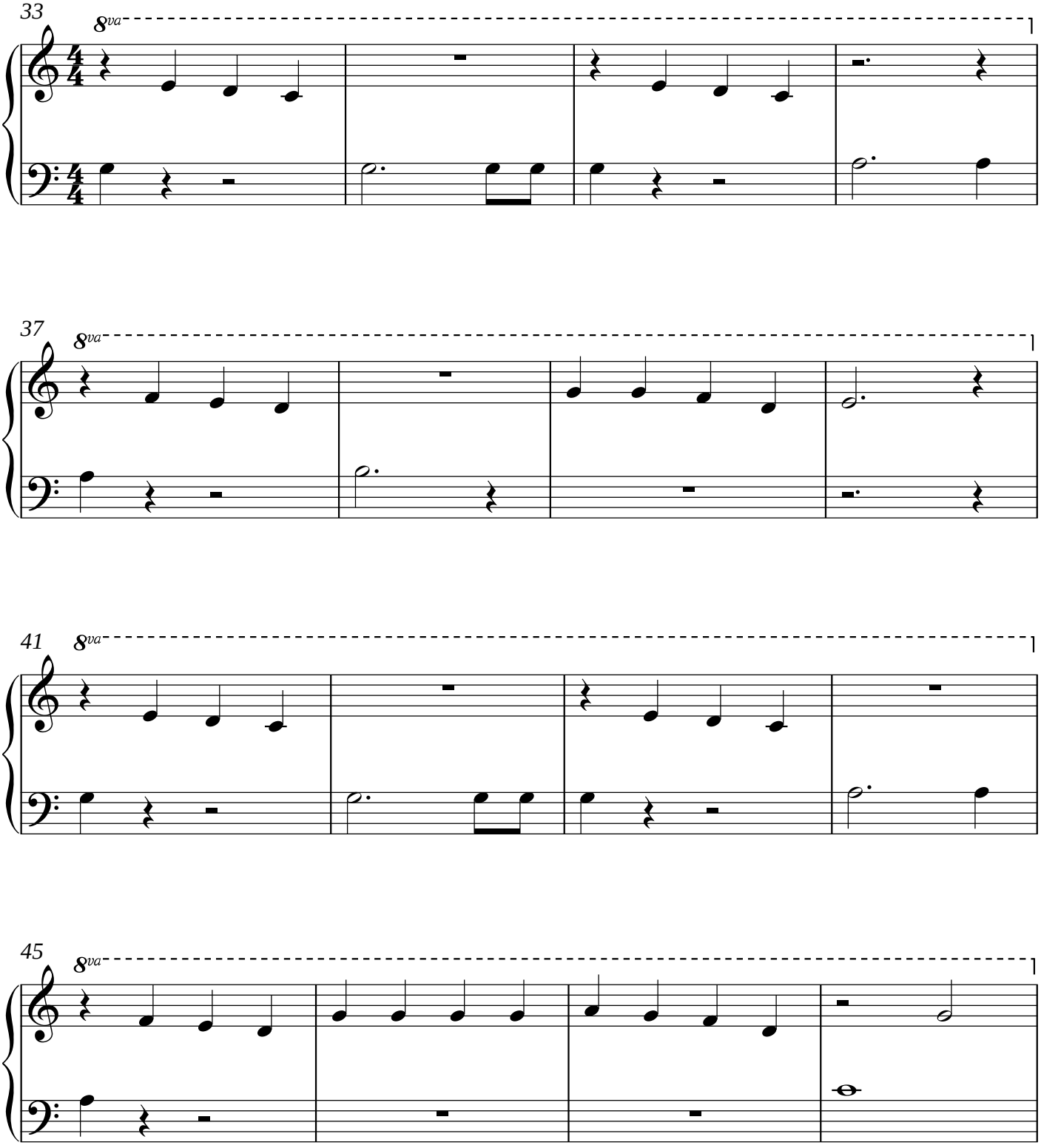

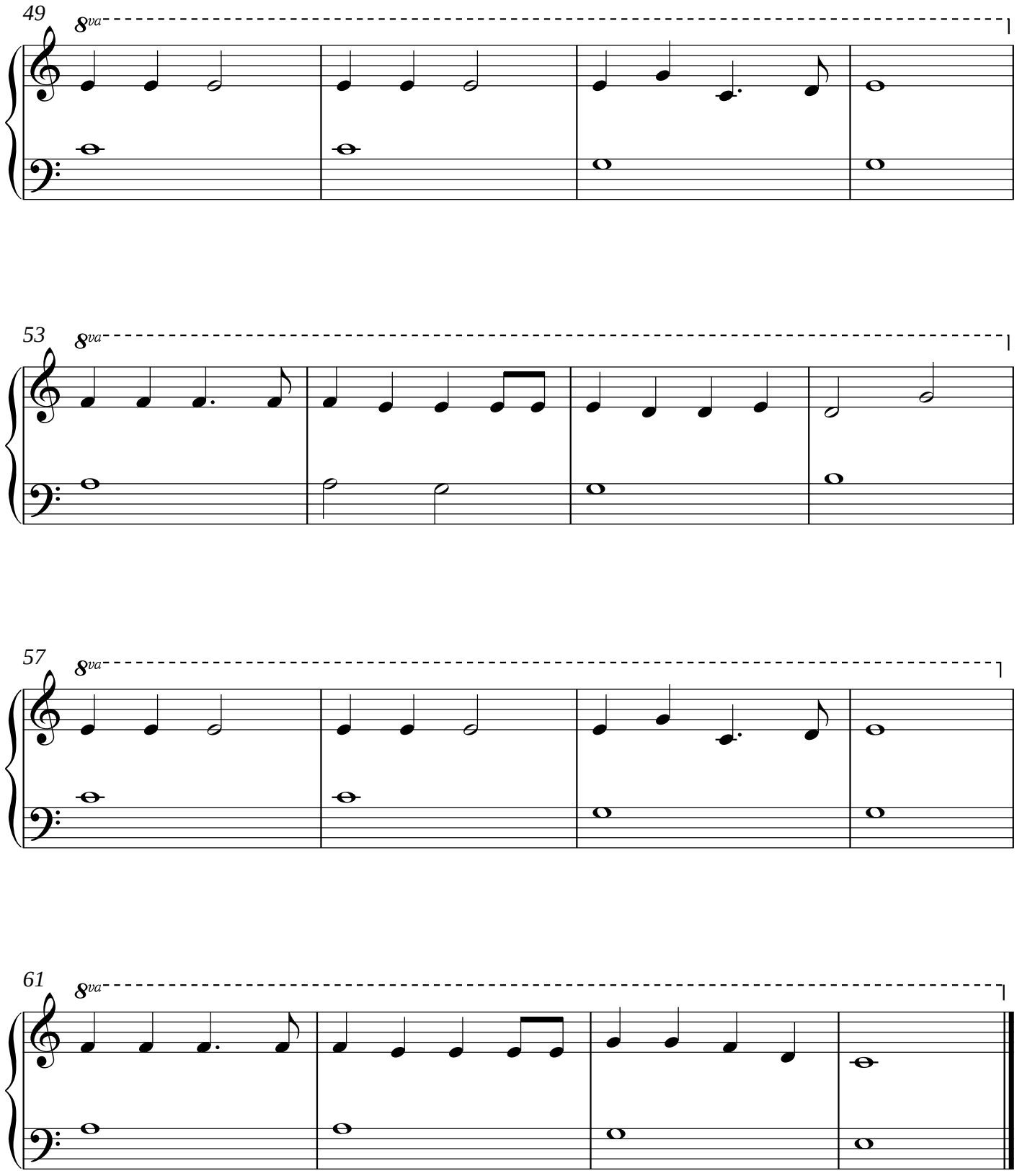
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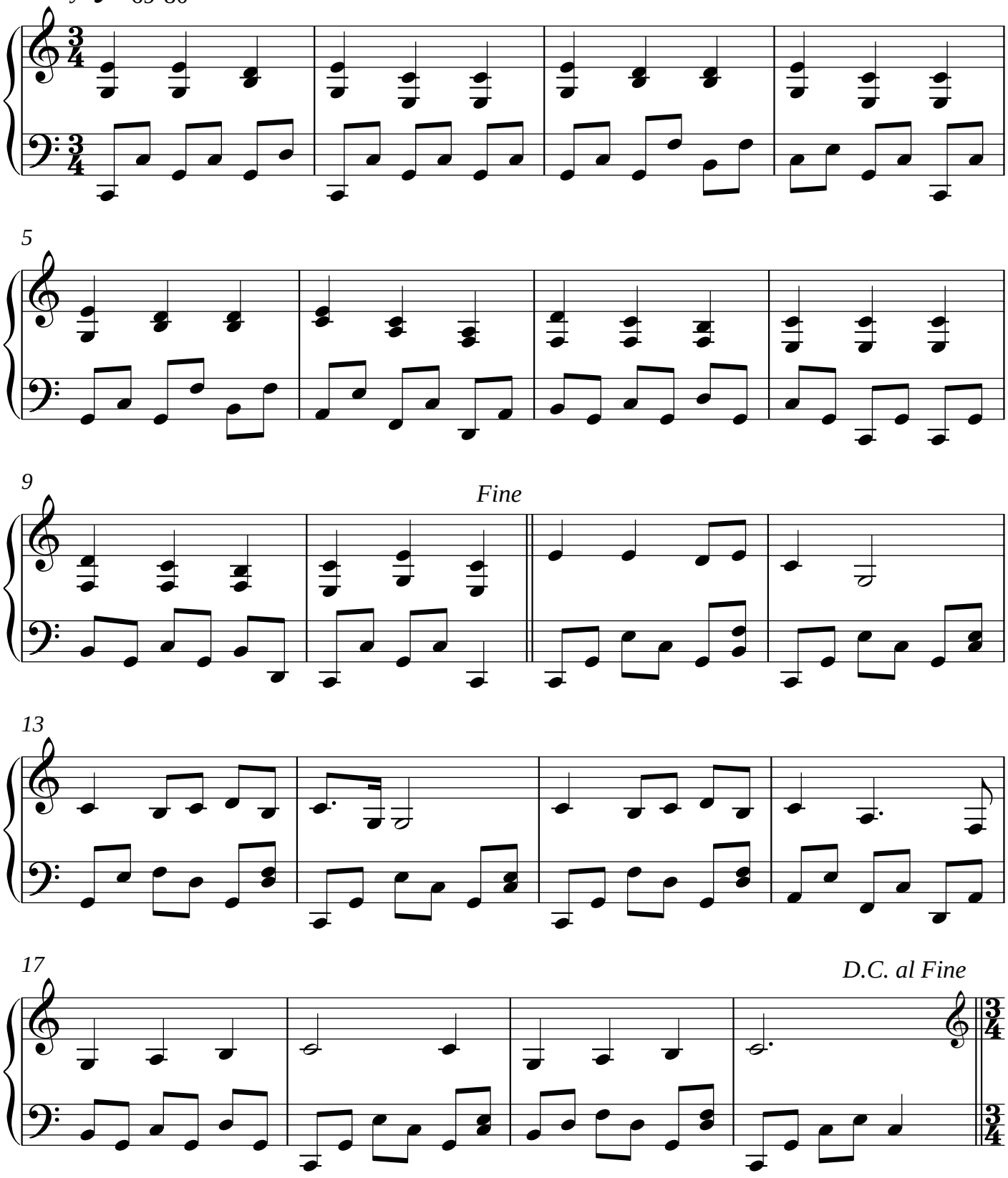

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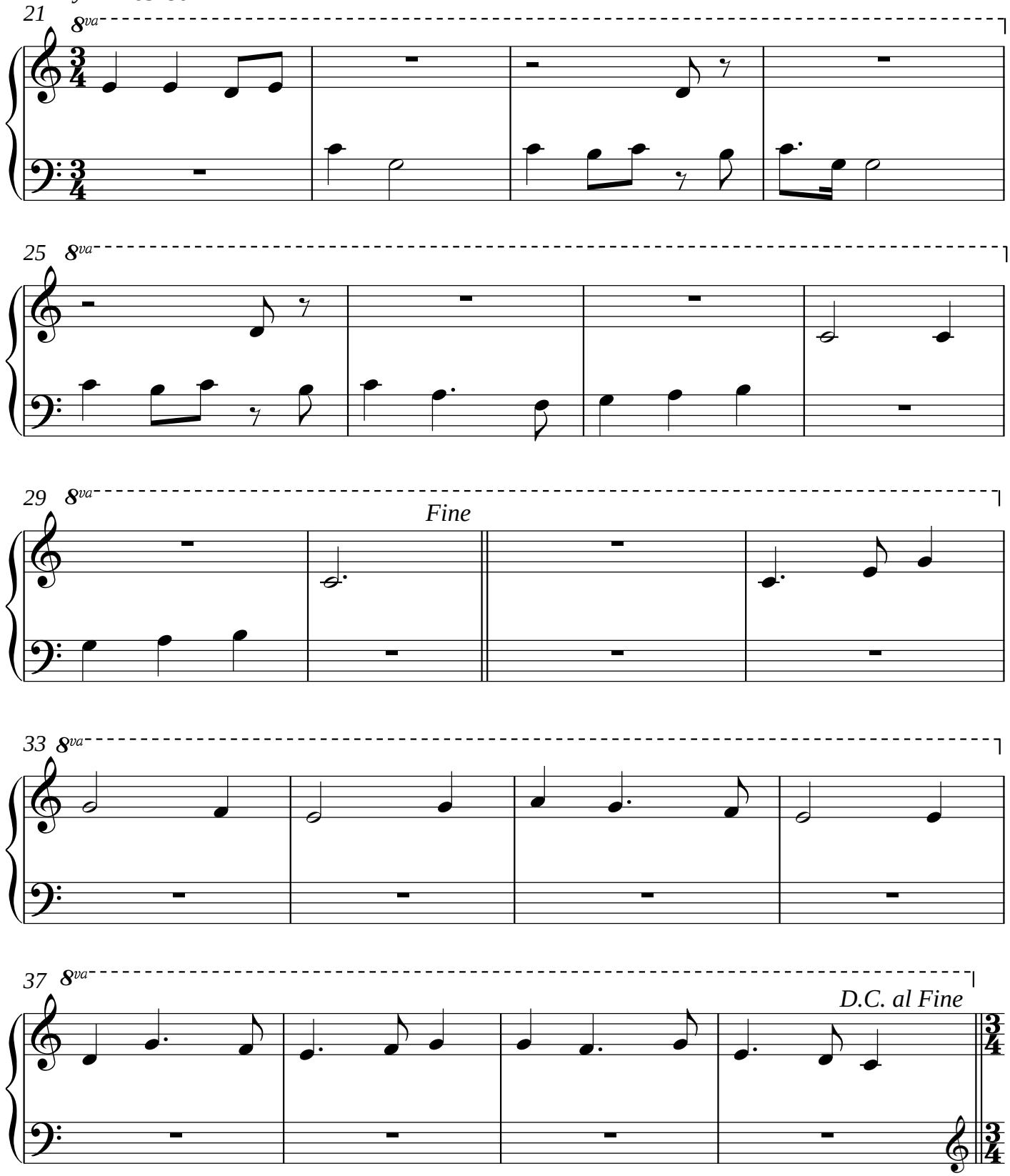

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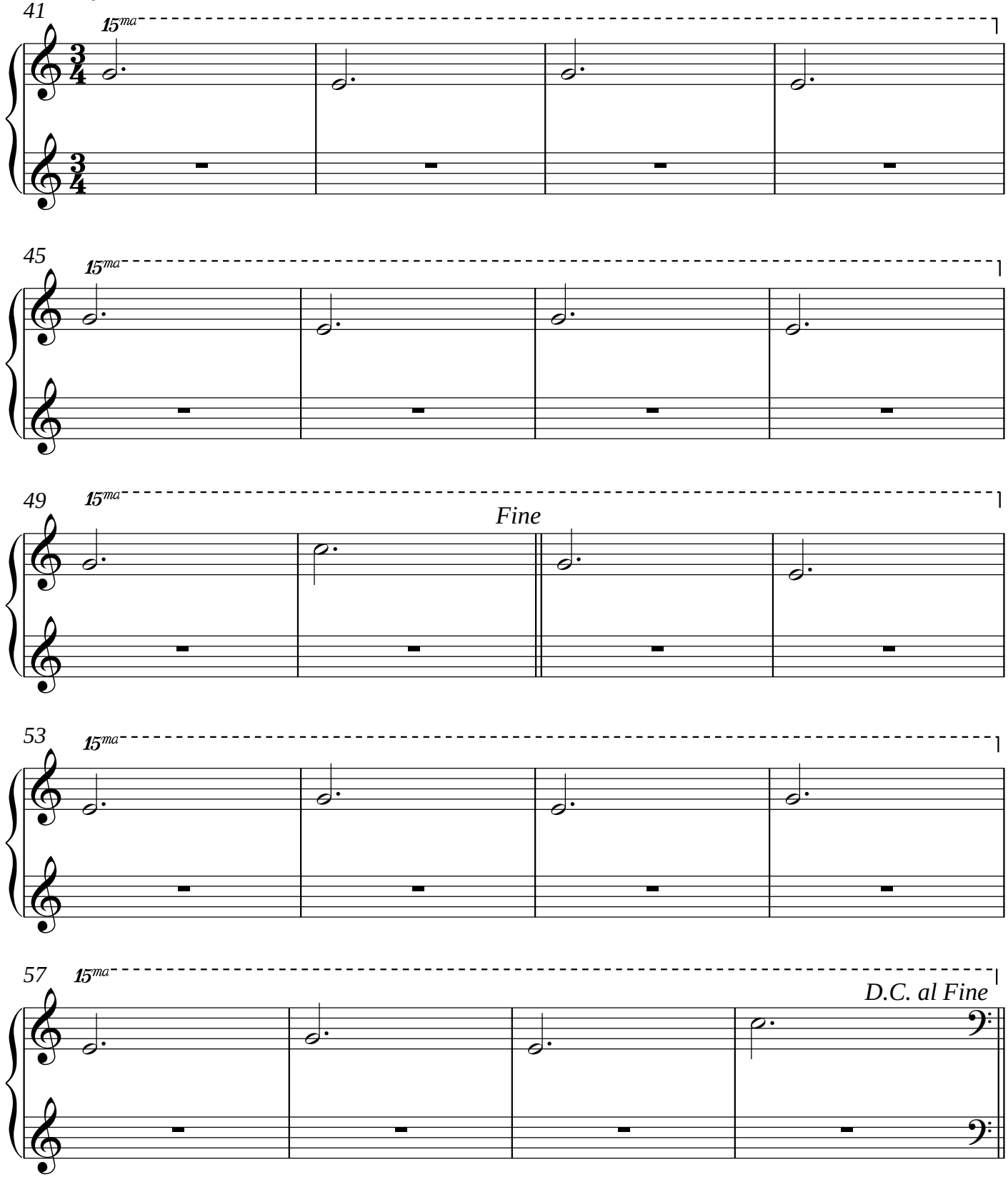

A Lesson in Sharing

I have always been an emphatic believer in that jolly old elf who brings gifts to good boys and girls during the Christmas season. This incident took place when I was about nine or ten years of age and still wrapped in childhood innocence.

A new family had moved into a rented home in our neighborhood just before the holidays. They had experienced some financial difficulties and had very few material possessions. My mother and a few friends learned of their need and decided to provide them with a little Christmas blessing.

One sister was given the assignment of being the diversion. She invited the new family to her home for dinner. The other conspirators were provided with a key to their home and about one hour to work their magic. By dividing the work, they could complete the task in the allotted time. Even though I was quite young, I was permitted to accompany my mother and the other ladies. I remember that as we entered the home, it seemed empty, cold and dark.

We set to work. A couple of sisters had the opportunity of stocking the kitchen. They began placing canned goods in the cupboards and perishable items in the refrigerator.

Meanwhile, we began in the living-room. First we set up a large Christmas tree. Lights, balls and tinsel magically appeared to decorate the tree. They looked very familiar. Mother spread a tree skirt that she had made for our family under the tree and we placed our wrapped gifts on top.

Within that hour the kitchen was stocked, the living-room was decorated and presents layed out. We slipped out into the dark winter night, leaving behind the lights glowing on the tree.

I longed to see the children's faces when they returned home that night. But that would spoil the miracle as they would learn who their benefactors had been.

I have thought often of this and other experiences of my childhood. My parents taught charity and other gospel principles more by their actions than the spoken word.

A Little Carol

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