Online lessons with Bruno Meeus

Dia Meters Lesson #4: Odd ostinato in 3/16

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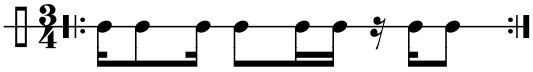
1. **Play solo against odd ostinato in 3/16:**

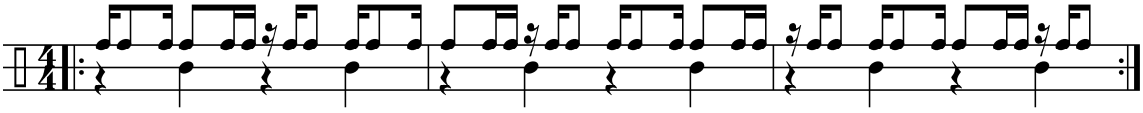
The 3/16th ostinato is played with one limb, against one, two or three other limbs simultaneously. Practice easy beats at first in order to improvise against the 3/16 ostinato.

Play the 3/16 ostinato with one hand (or foot):

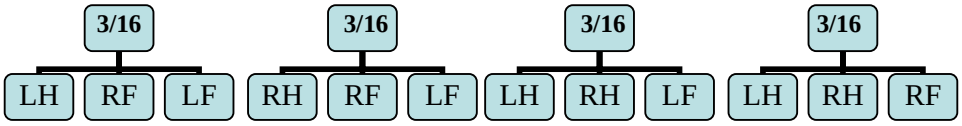


Against the next even patterns (EPs 1-4) – in the other hand or feet: (Diameters page 67)

Example with EP3 (Diameters 68 – 70) - cd – 38)

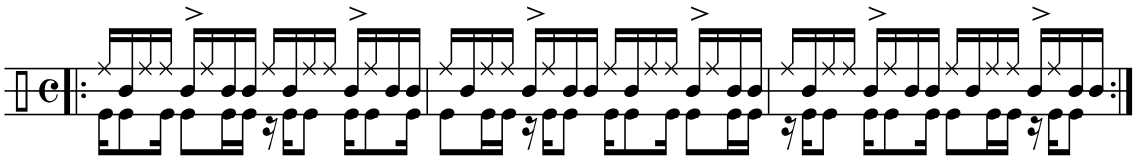


Transpose this exercise into horizontal, vertical and diagonal combinations using hands and feet.

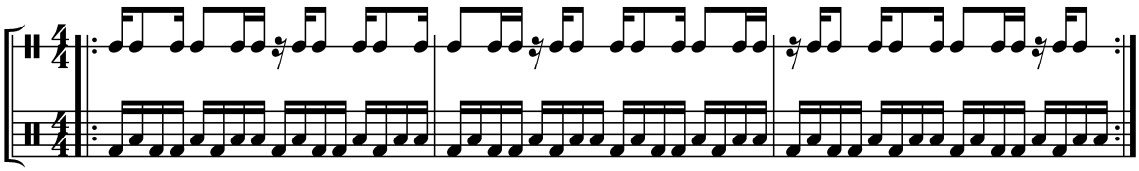


Other options:
3/16 ostinato in the bassdrum ←→ EP's played with both hands on floor & snaredrum;
3/16 ostinato on the hihat (LH) ←→ EP alternates between bassdrum & snare drum

2. **Play the 3/16 ostinato against a single paradiddle**



(Vertical paradiddle alternating between floor & bass + ostinato on the snare (LH) – Dia Meters page 70)



Good Luck!! Bruno