

## 1. Time Signature Series – 7/4

- a. This can be a very tricky time signature to play in because we simply are not use to feeling rhythms like this. Its an odd metered rhythm so the beat comes around to 1 again in a place our body doesn't feel it. The best way to break down the 7/4 rhythm is to feel the first 4 beats as a grouping, then the last 3 beats as a grouping. The standard rhythm that is usually played is two half notes for the first 4 beats, then two dotted quarters to cover the last 3 beats. (see below)



A lot of tunes these days are being played more and more in odd meter tempos. If you are really looking to increase your skills then make sure you are working hard at your odd meter tempos such as 7/4 and 5/4.