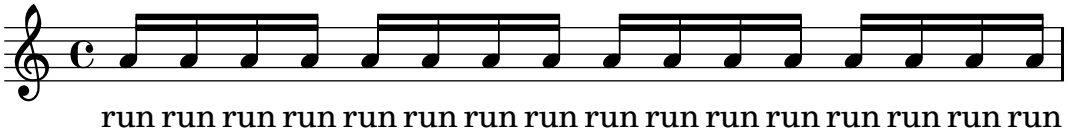
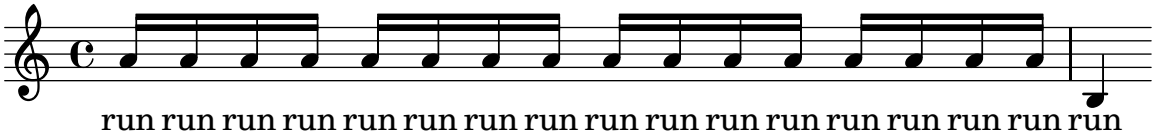
lyrics here seem to be a bit too far from the staff...



...especially compared to this example. Notice that the actual distance between staffsymbol and lyricText is identical in both cases:

increasing padding and decreasing basic-distance is a bad idea because it will break this case:



Lyrics are already quite far from the staff here because of a quarter b note; they shouldn't be lowered more.