Daniel Nelson

Jewish Proverbs

for

String Trio

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For Trio ZilliacusPerssonRaitinen
- Thank you-

Jewish Proverbs (2014)

Durata: ca. 25 minutes.
Movements can be played separately.

1 - ***Man plans and God laughs.***
-38 CE Alexandria, Egypt-

Der mentsh trakht un Got lakht.

2 - ***Nine rabbis can't make a minyan but ten shoemakers can.***
- 30 December, 1066 CE. Granada, Spain -

Nayn rabonim kenen keyn minyen mit makhn ober tsen shusters yo.

3 - ***Man plans and God laughs.***
- April 1506 CE. Lisbon, Portugal -

Der mentsh trakht un Got lakht.

4 - ***What difference does it make to the turkey whether it's slaughtered for the Purim feast or the Passover seder?***
- 15April, 1881 CE. Kiev, Russian Empire -

Vos iz dem indik far a khilek tsi men koylet im af purim tsu der sude oder af peysekh tsum seyder?

5 - ***The devil is not as black as we paint him.***
- 24 August, 1929 CE. Hebron, Palestine -

Der tayvl iz nit azoy shvarts vi men molt im.

6 - ***If the girl can't dance, she says the musicians can't play.***
- 9 November, 1938 CE. Germany, Austria -

Az dos meydl ken nit tantsn, zogt zi az di klezmer kenen nit shpiln.

7 - ***Man plans and God laughs.***
- 27 June, 1941 CE. Iasi, Romania -

Der mentsh trakht un Got lakht.

8 - ***If you lie on the ground, you cannot fall.***
- 18 July, 1994 CE. Buenos Aires, Argentina -

Az me ligt oif der erd, ken men nit fallen.

9 - ***What will become of the sheep if the wolf is the judge?***
- 9 November, 2013 CE. Stockholm, Sweden -

Vos ken vern fun di shof az der volf iz der rikhter?

10 - ***Man plans and God weeps.***
- 24 May 2014 CE. Brussels, Belgium -

Der mentsh trakht un Got veynt.

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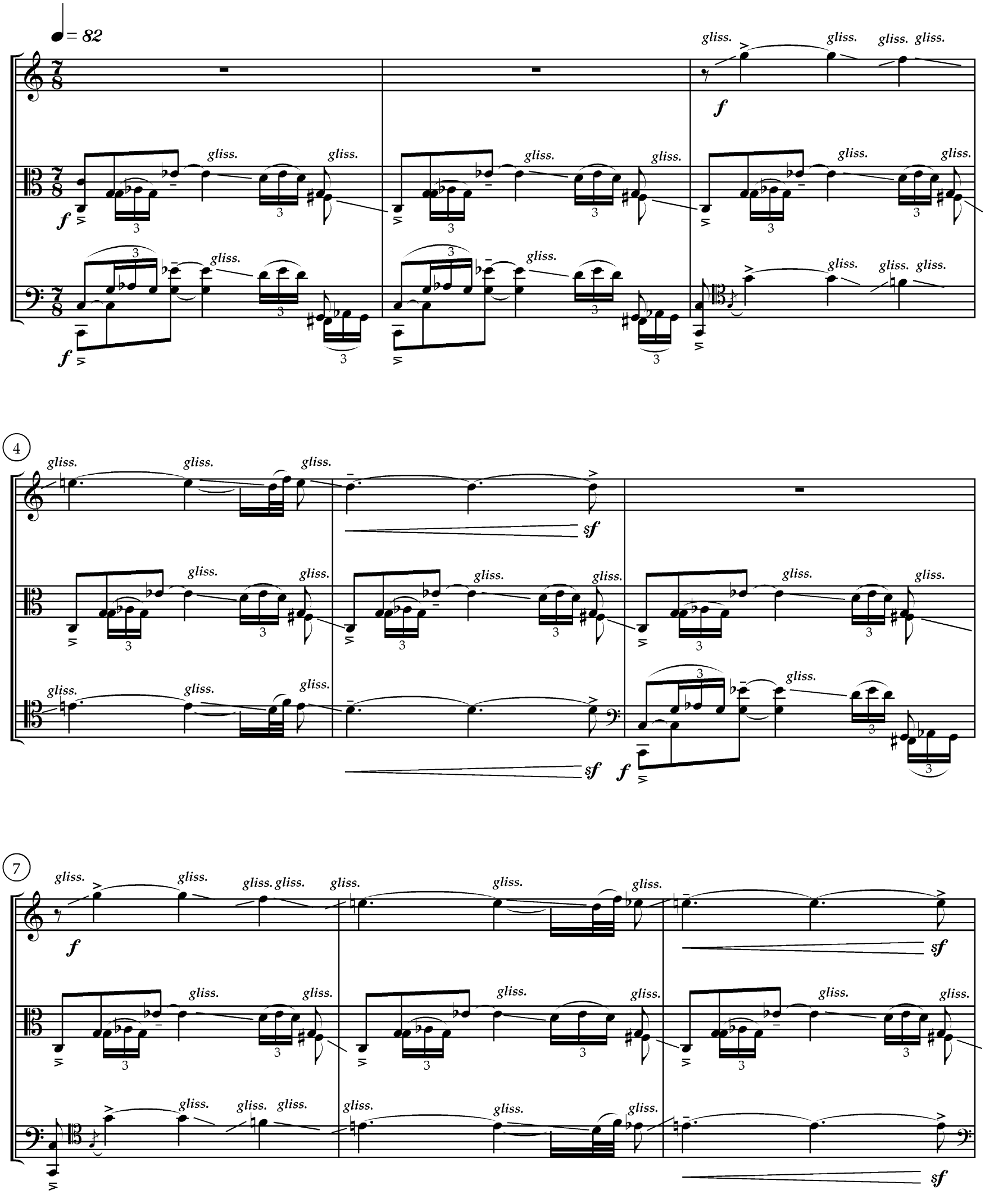
(38 CE. Alexandria, Egypt)



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10

gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss.

f

gliss. gliss. bend 3 gliss. gliss.

3 gliss. gliss. 3 gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss.

f

13

gliss.

fmp *fp* *sf*

bend gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss.

fmp *f*

bend 3 gliss. 3 gliss. gliss.

fmp *f*

16

gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss.

f *fmp*

gliss. bend 3 gliss. gliss. bend

fmp

3 gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. bend

fmp

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19

22

24

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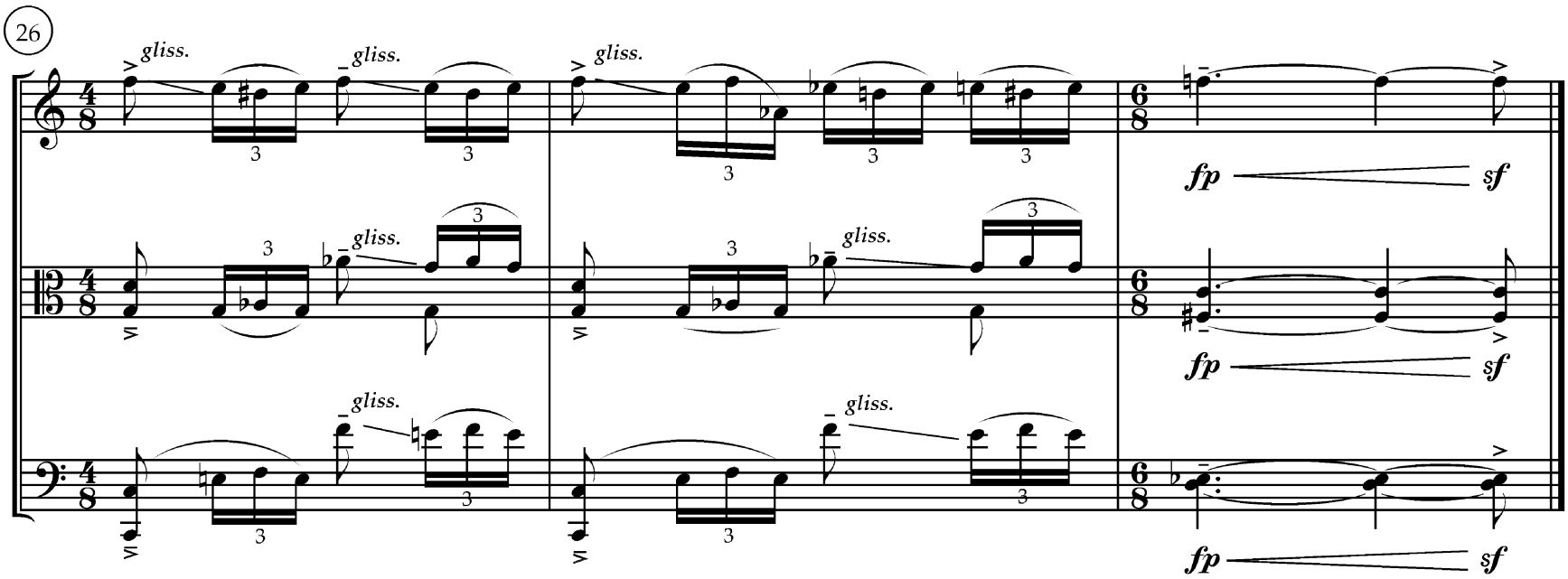

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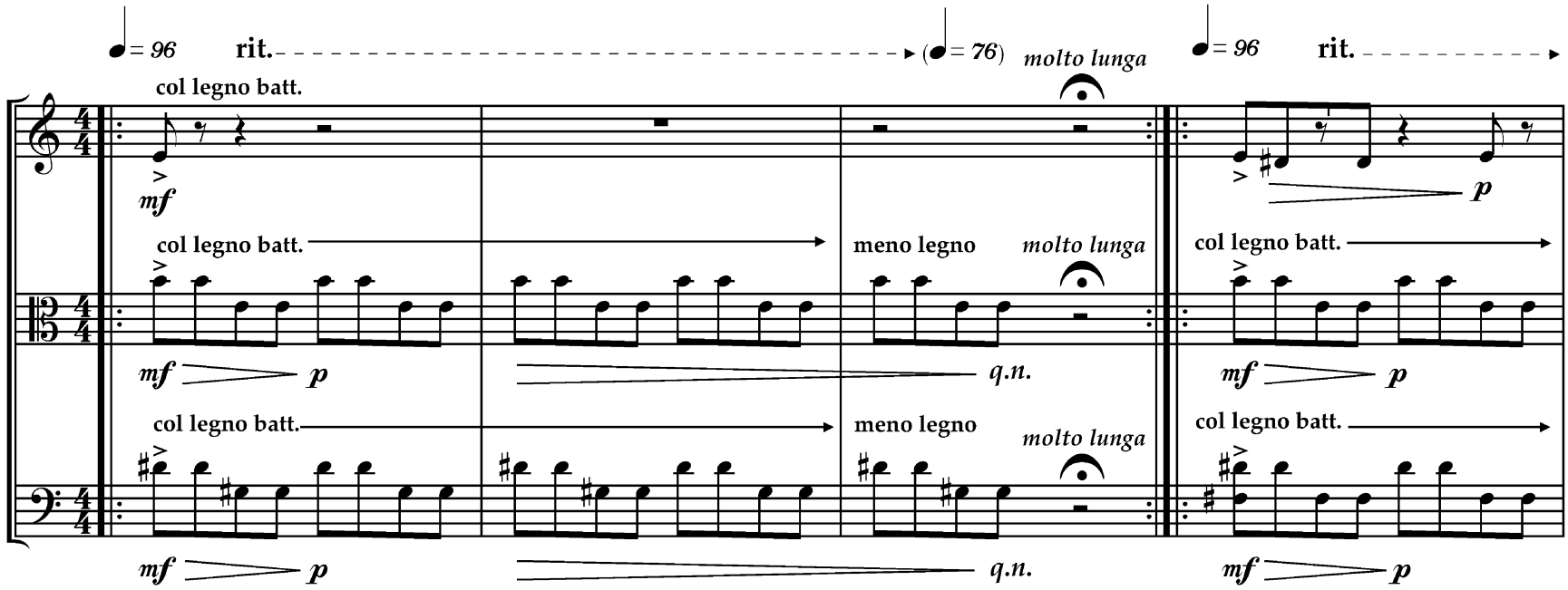

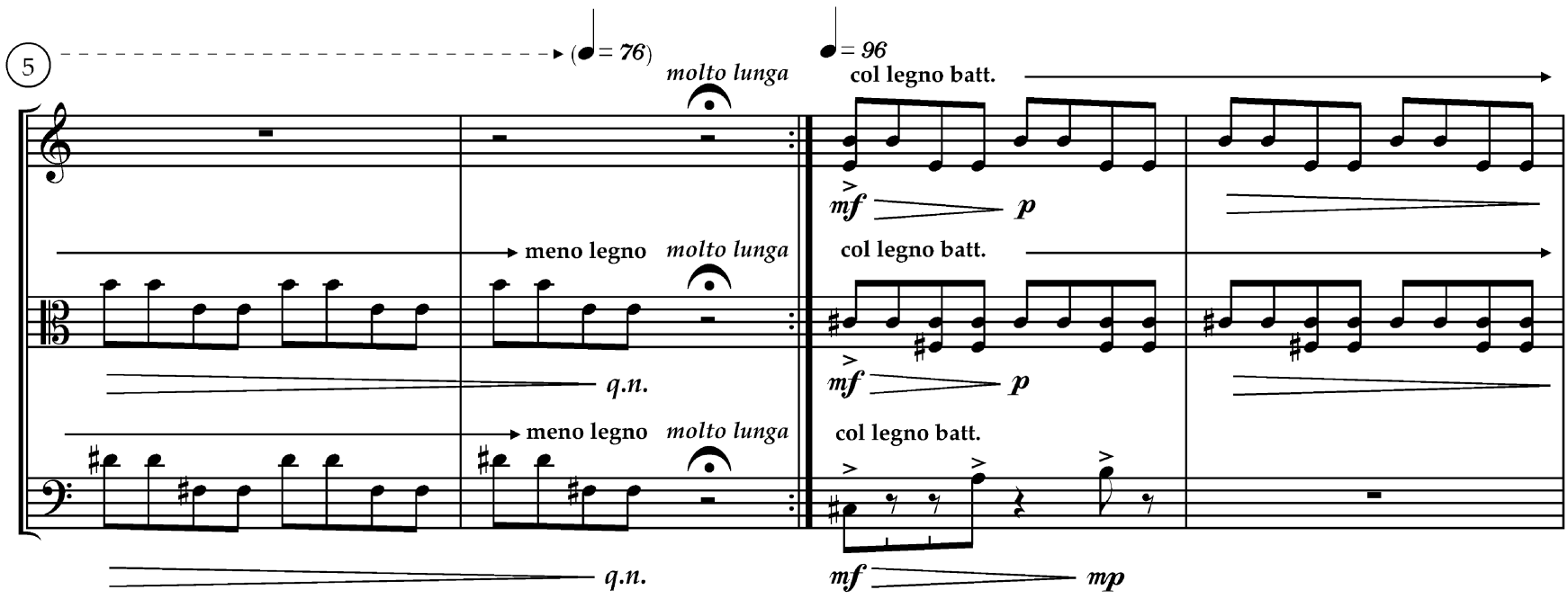

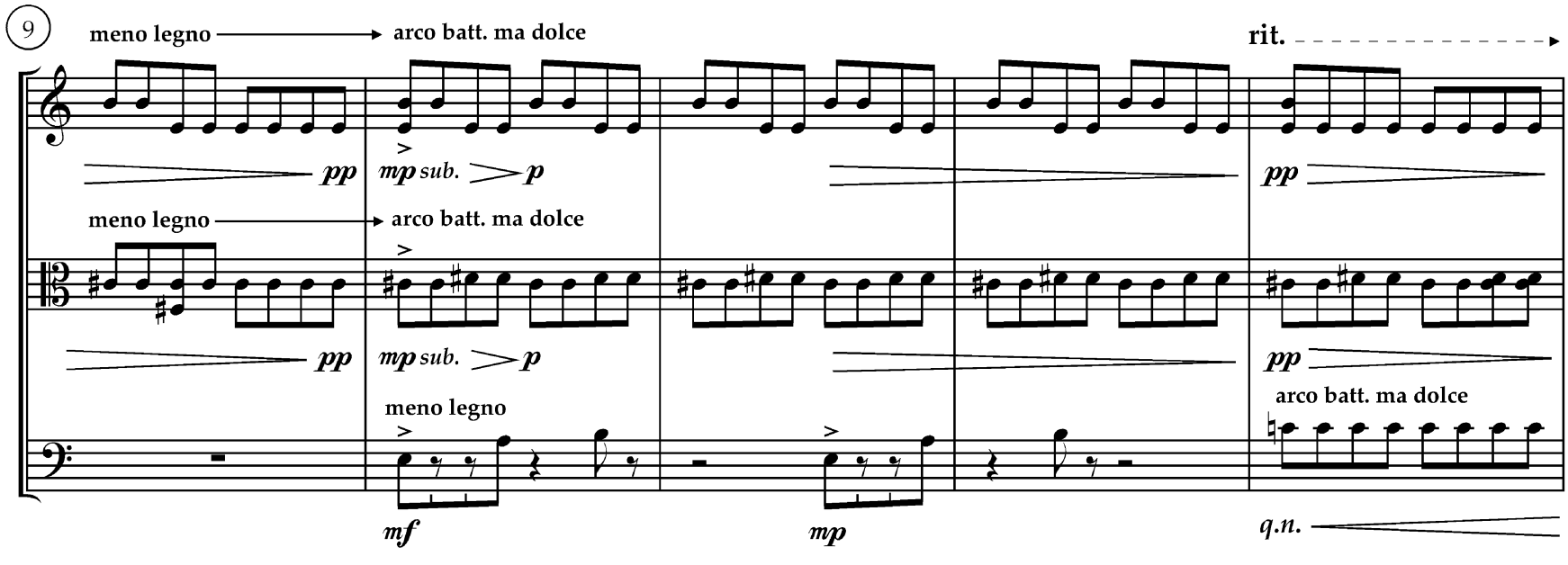

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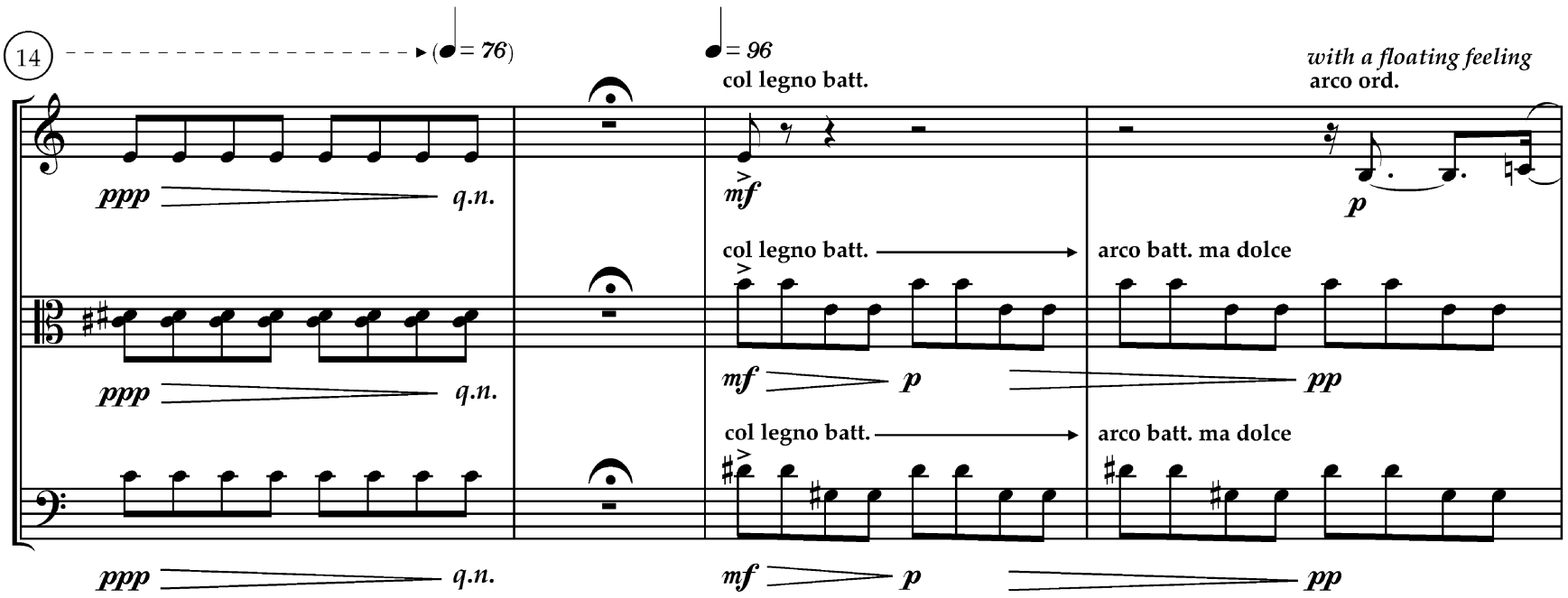

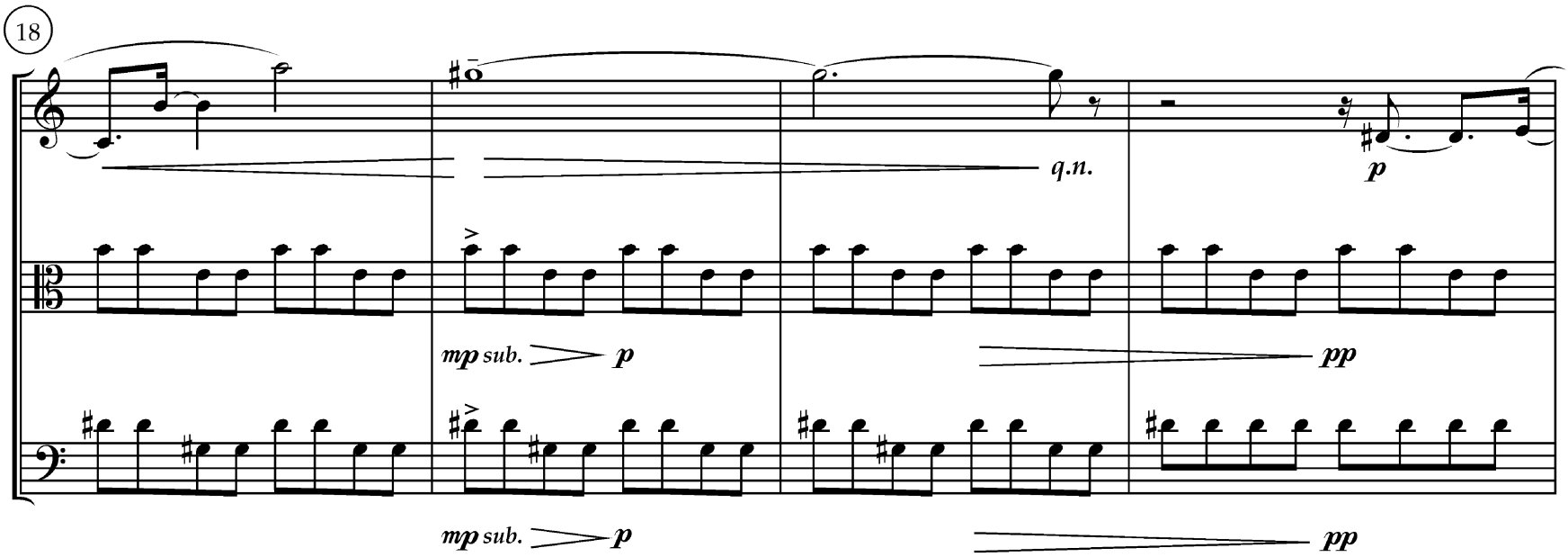

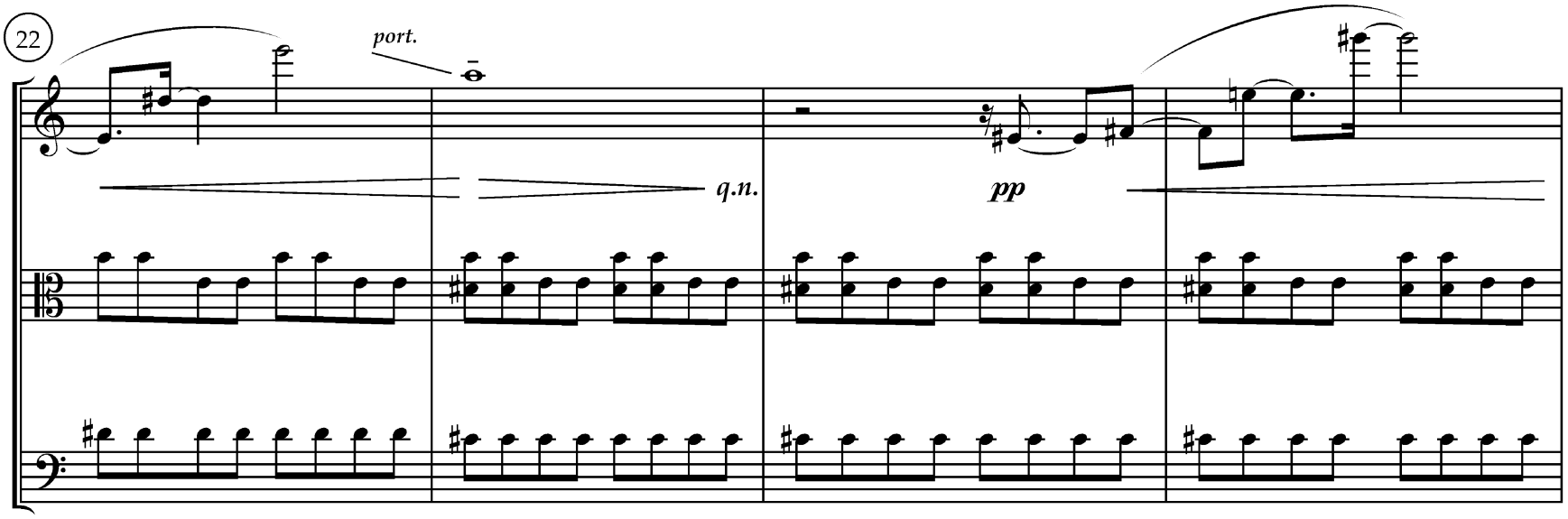

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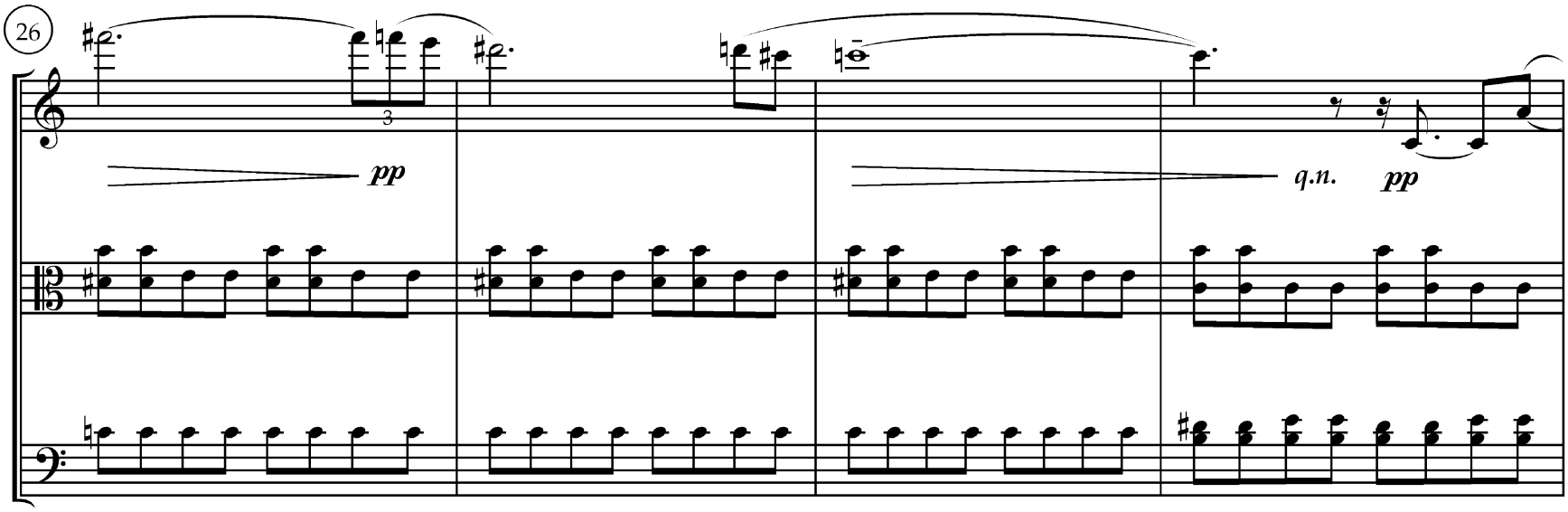

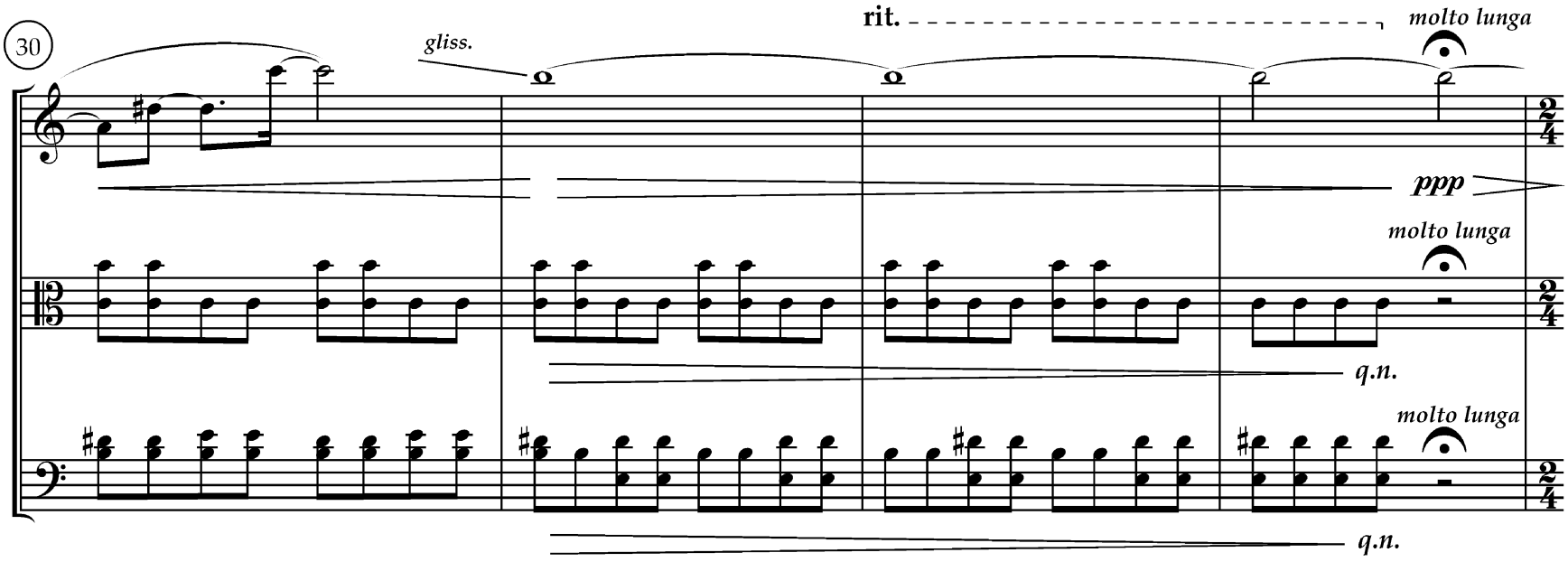

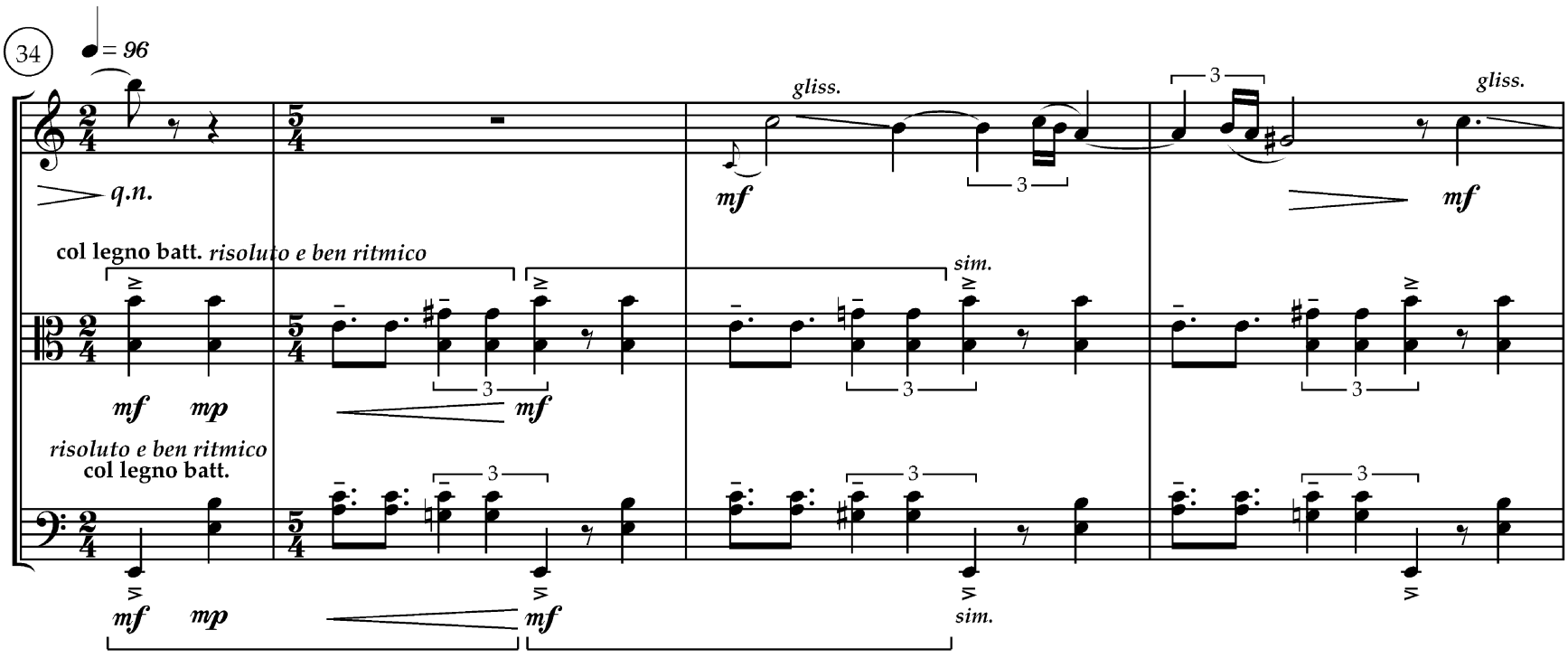

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38

gliss. gliss.

mf

41

gliss. gliss.

mf

p *p*

mp *p*

44

col legno batt.

q.n. *q.n.*

mp *p*

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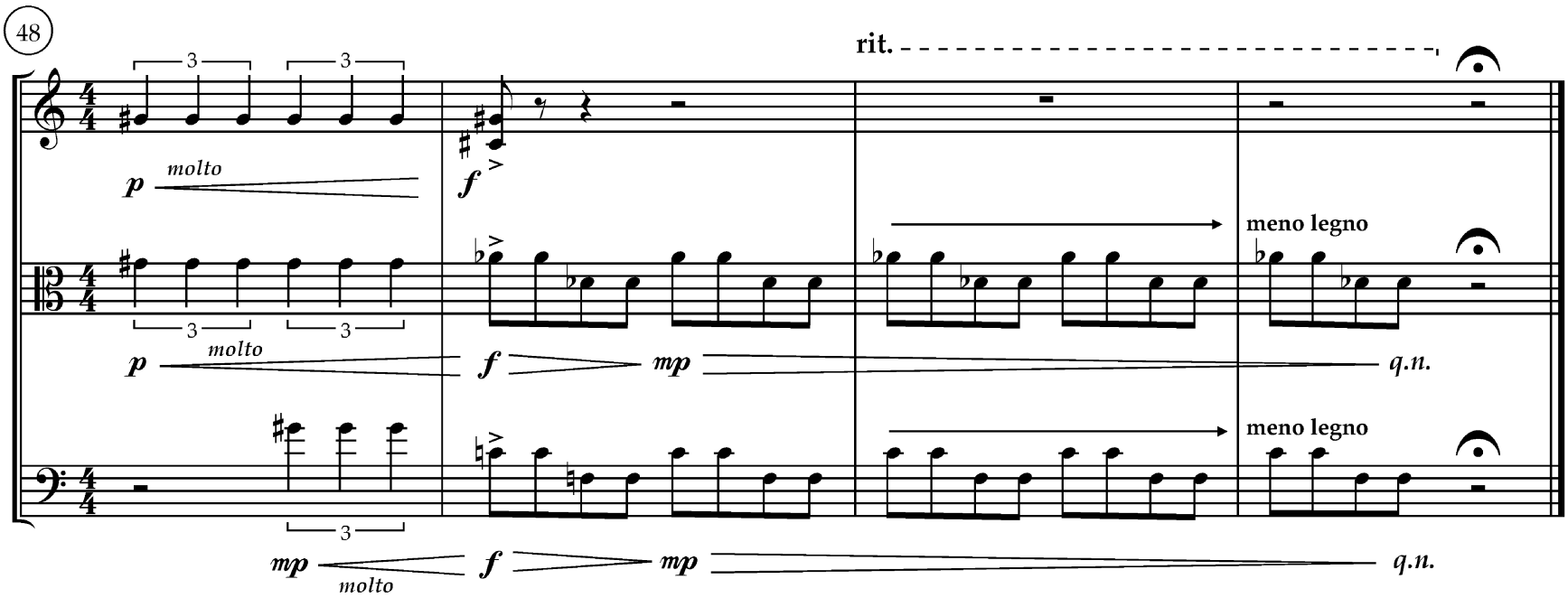

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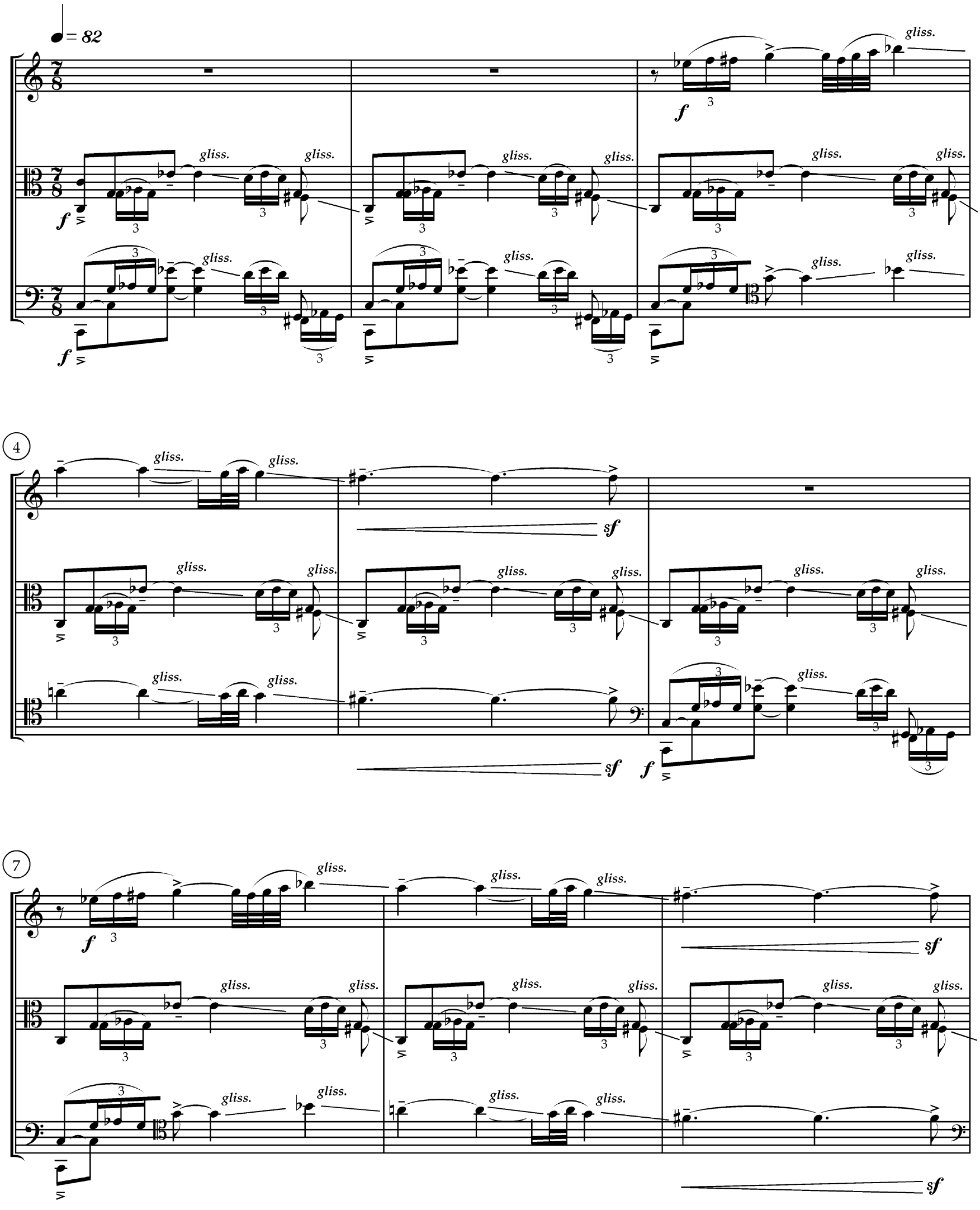

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10

f

gliss. *gliss.* *bend*

gliss. *gliss.* *bend* *bend* *gliss.*

f *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *bend* *gliss.*

13

fmp *fp* *sf*

bend *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

fmp *f* *bend* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

fmp *f* *bend* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

16

f *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

gliss. *bend* *gliss.* *gliss.* *bend*

gliss. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *bend*

fmp *fmp* *fmp*

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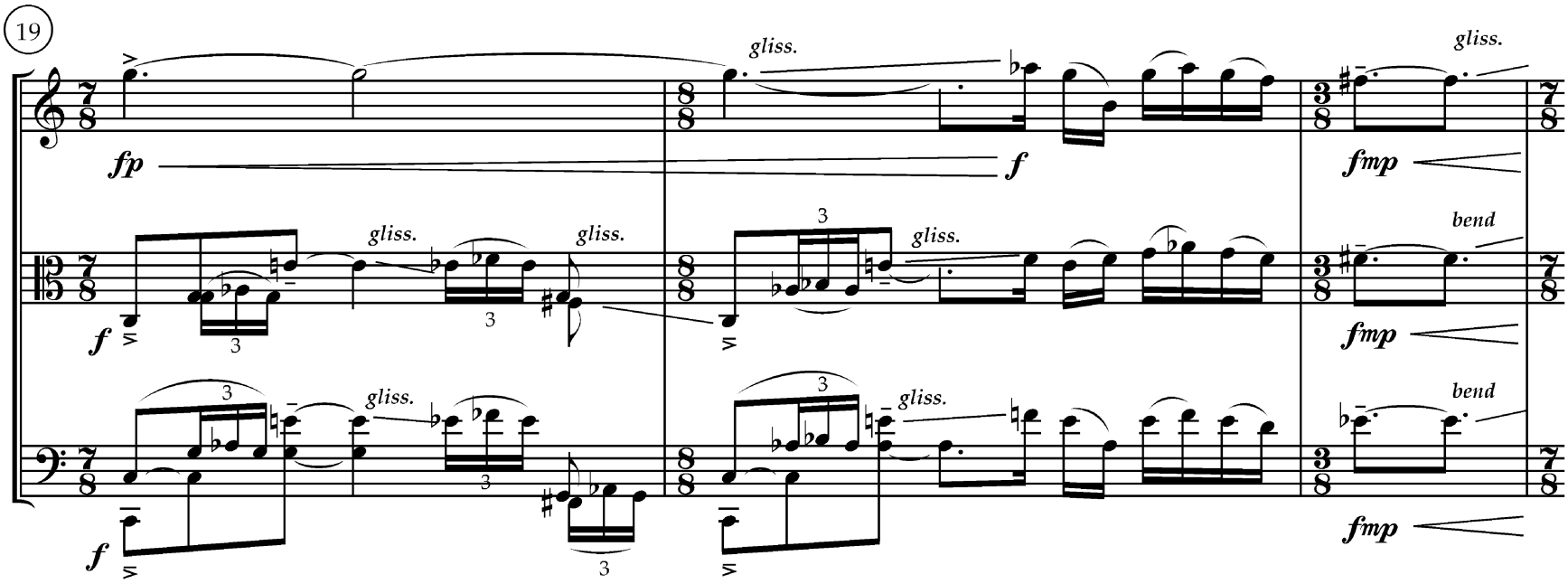

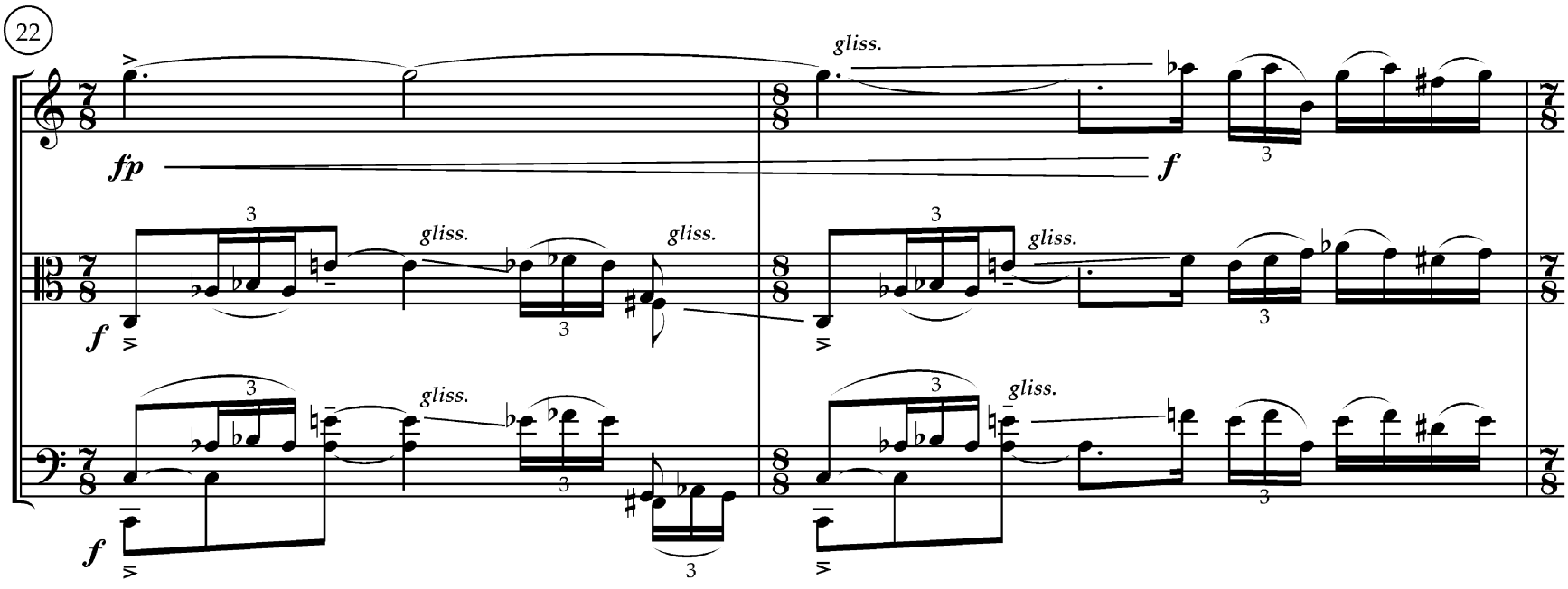

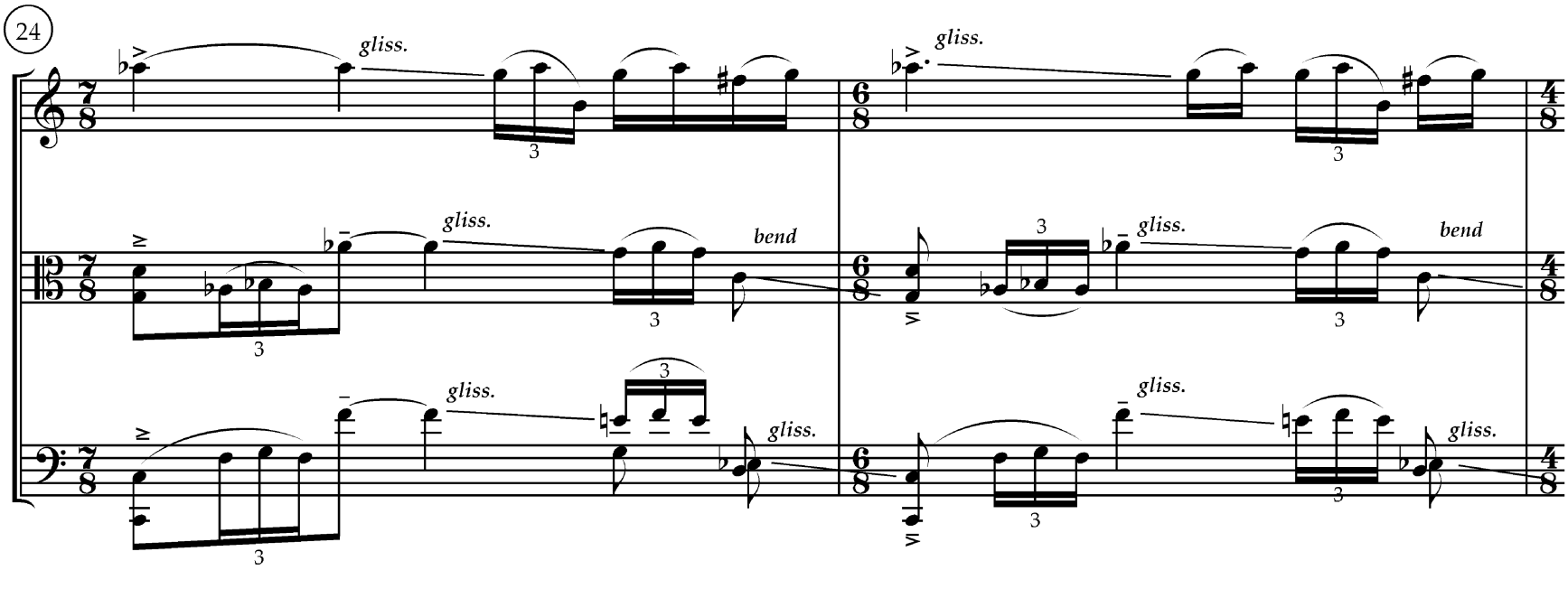

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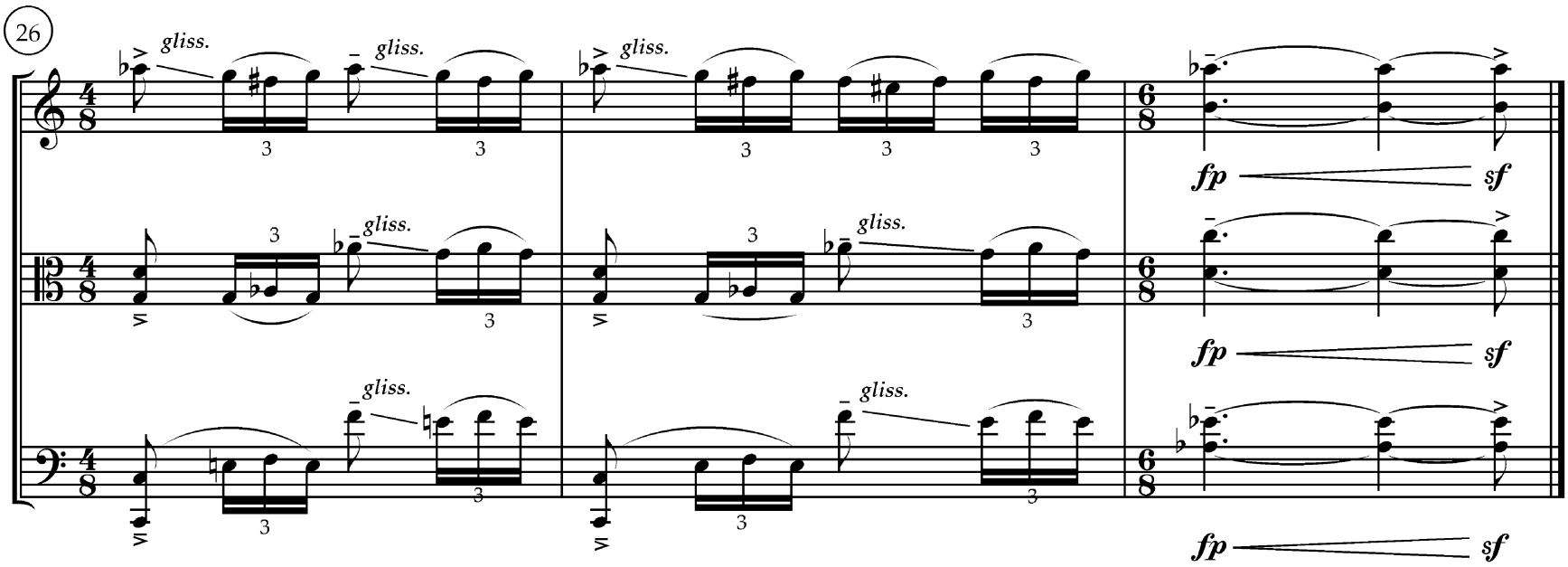

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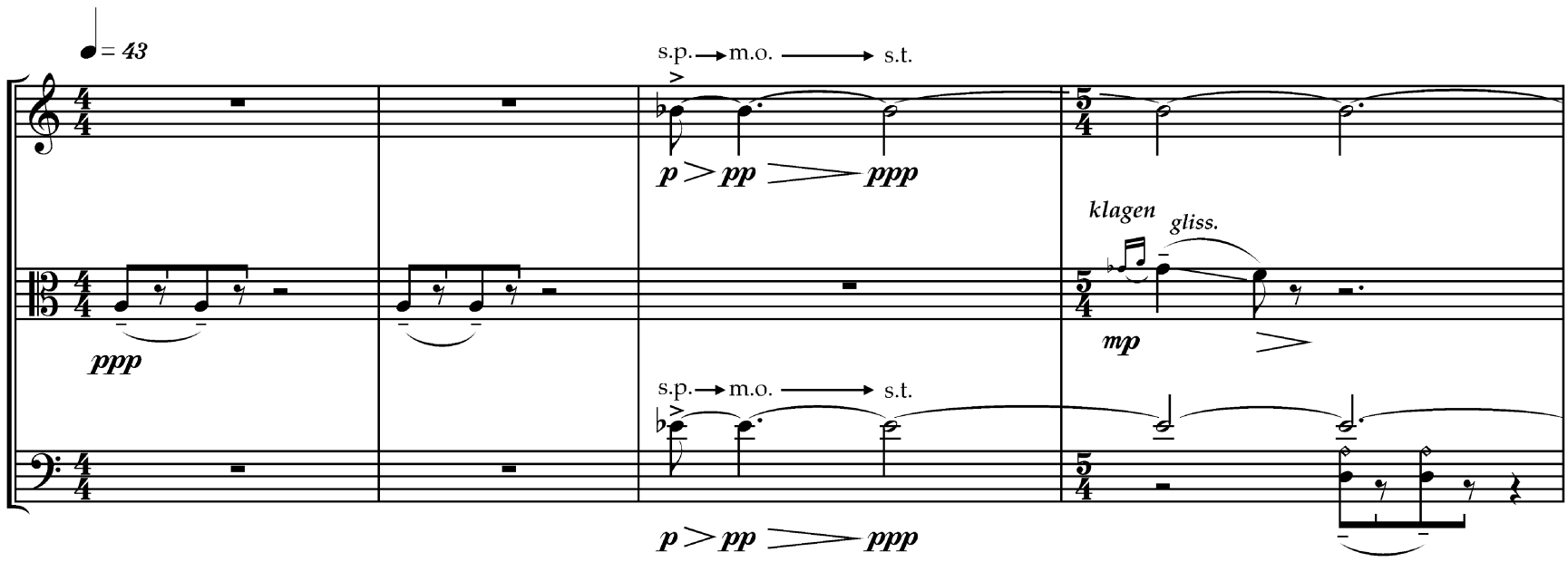

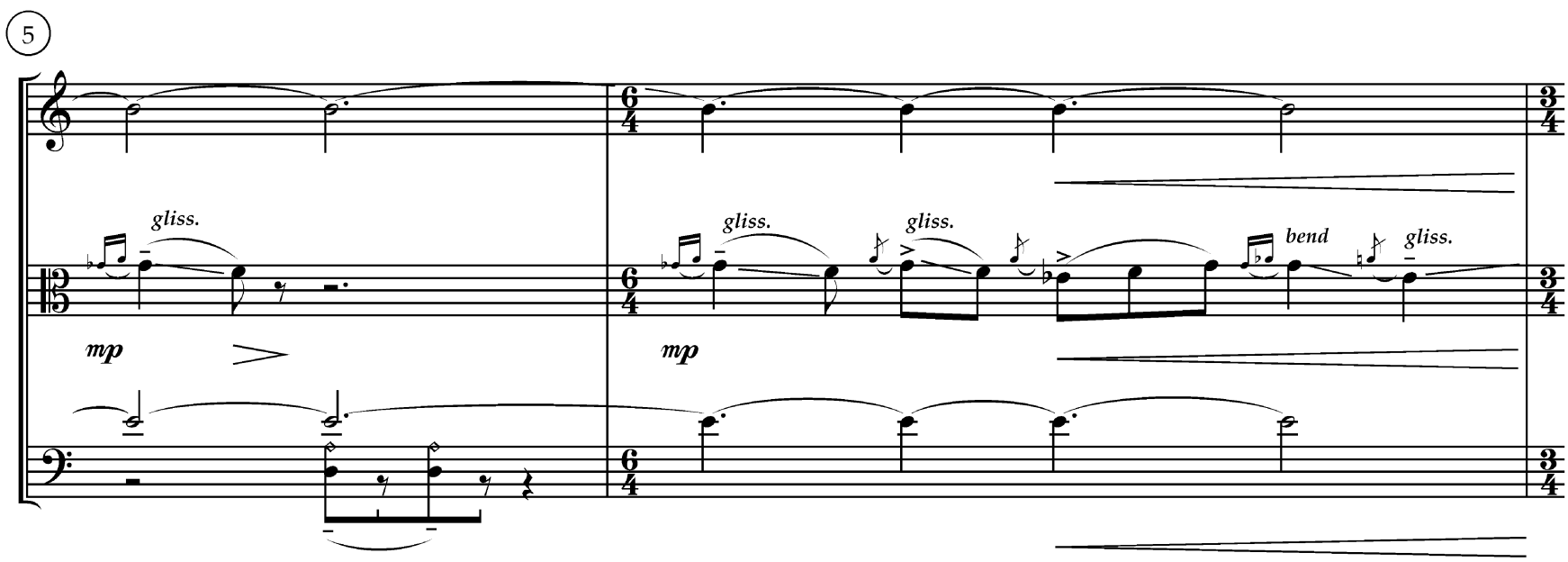

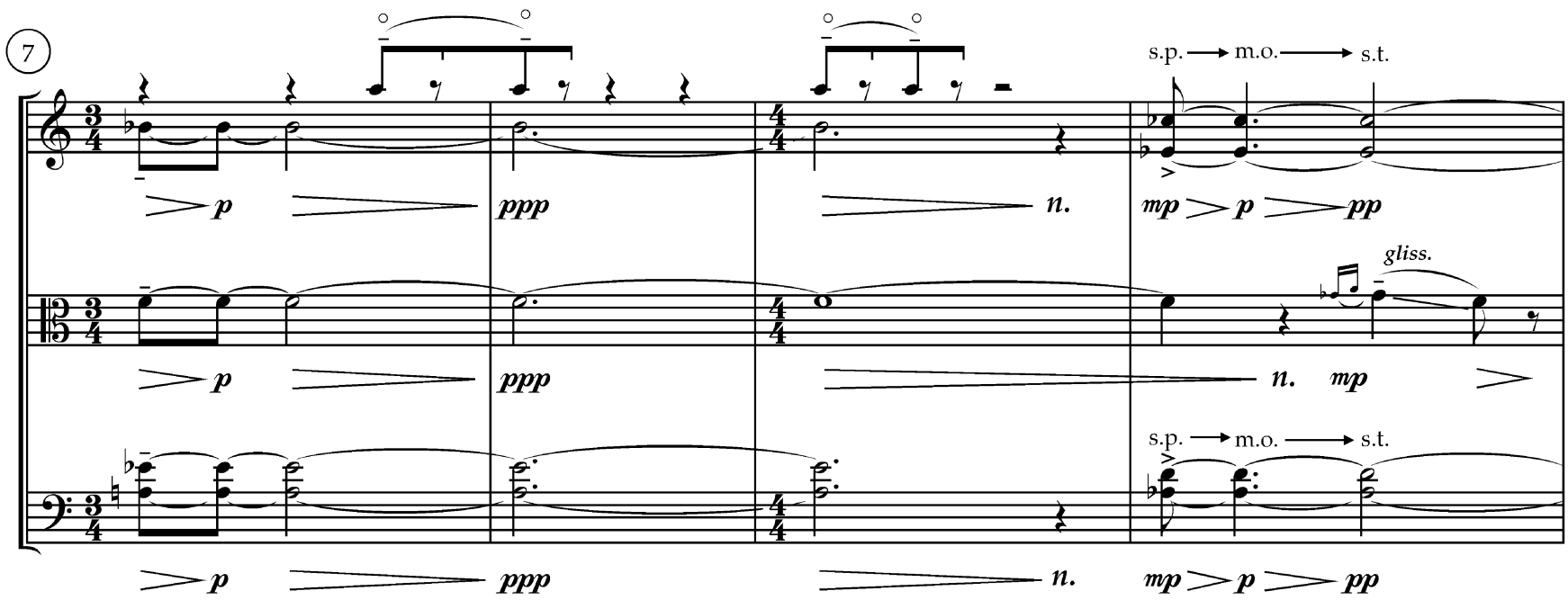

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11

poco rit. a tempo

gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss.

mf mp mf mp p mf mp

13

s.p. m.o. s.t.

pp n. p pp ppp gliss. p

s.p. m.o. s.t.

pp n. p pp ppp

18

m.o. still

n. ppp n. gliss. gliss. still

pp pp n. ppp n.

n.

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23

ppp n. ppp n. ppp n.

ppp n. ppp n. ppp n.

m.o.
dolcissimo

pp

29

ppp n. ppp n. ppp

ppp n. ppp n. ppp

port.

pp

34

pp n. ppp

pp n. ppp

port.

pp

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39

molto lunga

pppp n.

pppp n.

klagen gliss.

gliss.

molto lunga

pppp n.

pppp n.

pp

pp

gliss.

molto lunga

ppp

pppp n.

45

s.p. → m.o. → s.t.

p pp ppp

gliss. gliss. bend gliss.

p

s.p. → m.o. → s.t.

p pp ppp

47

p ppp n.

p ppp

p ppp n.

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50

s.p. → m.o. → s.t.

mp > *p* > *pp*

gliss.

n. *mp*

mp

gliss. *gliss.* *gliss.*

s.p. → m.o. → s.t.

mp > *p* > *pp*

52

poco rit. - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - **a tempo**

f > *mp*

pp

gliss.

3

f > *mp* *p*

pp

f > *mp*

pp

55

s.p. → m.o. → s.t.

n.

ppp

n.

poco tenuto

tenuto

n.

ppp

pppp

s.p. → m.o. → s.t.

n.

ppp

n.

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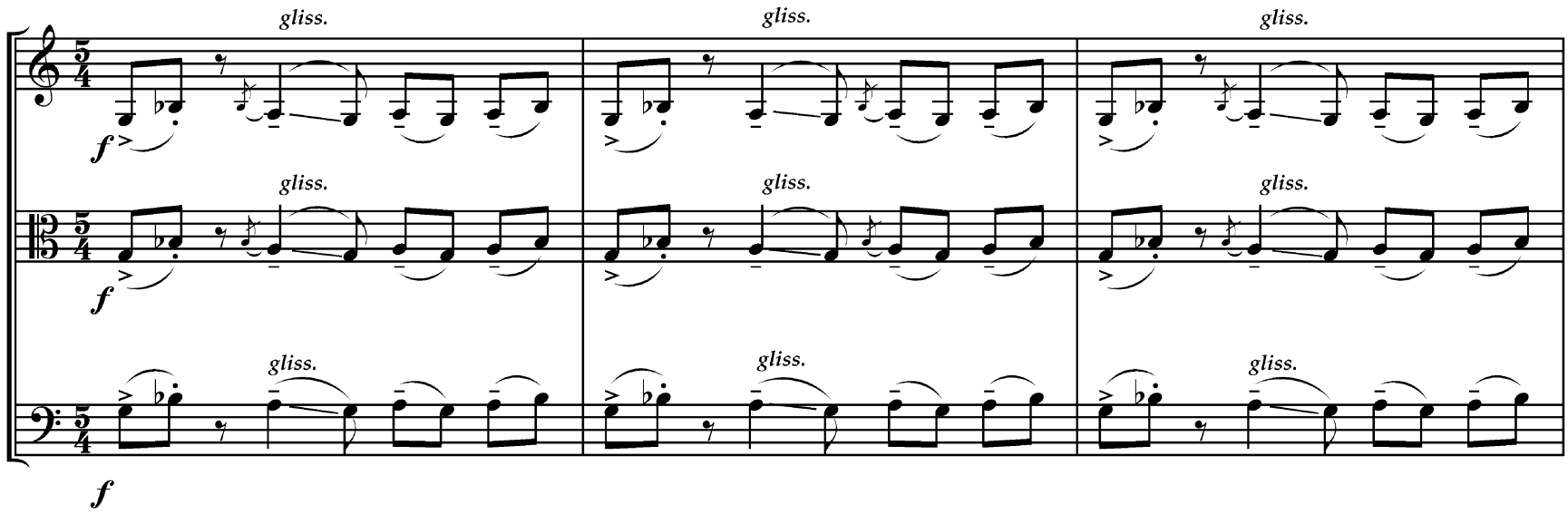
5 - *The devil is not as black as we paint him*

(24 August, 1929 CE. Hebron, Palestine)

♩ = 147

Ben Ritmico



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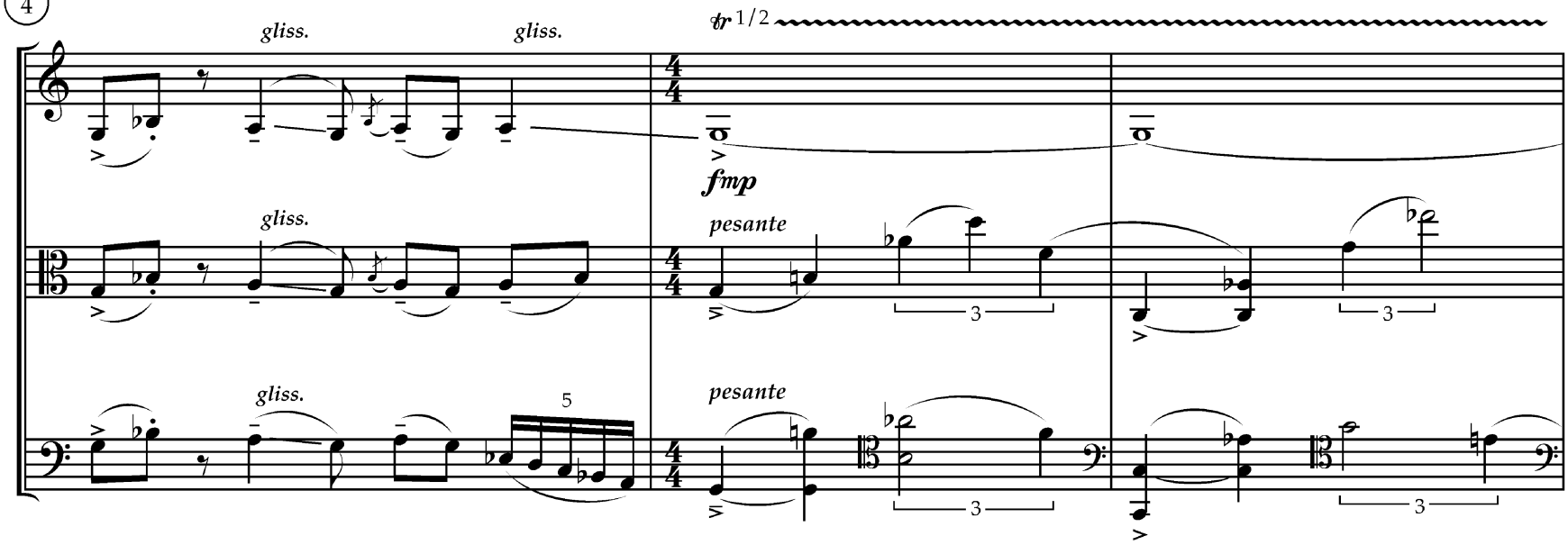

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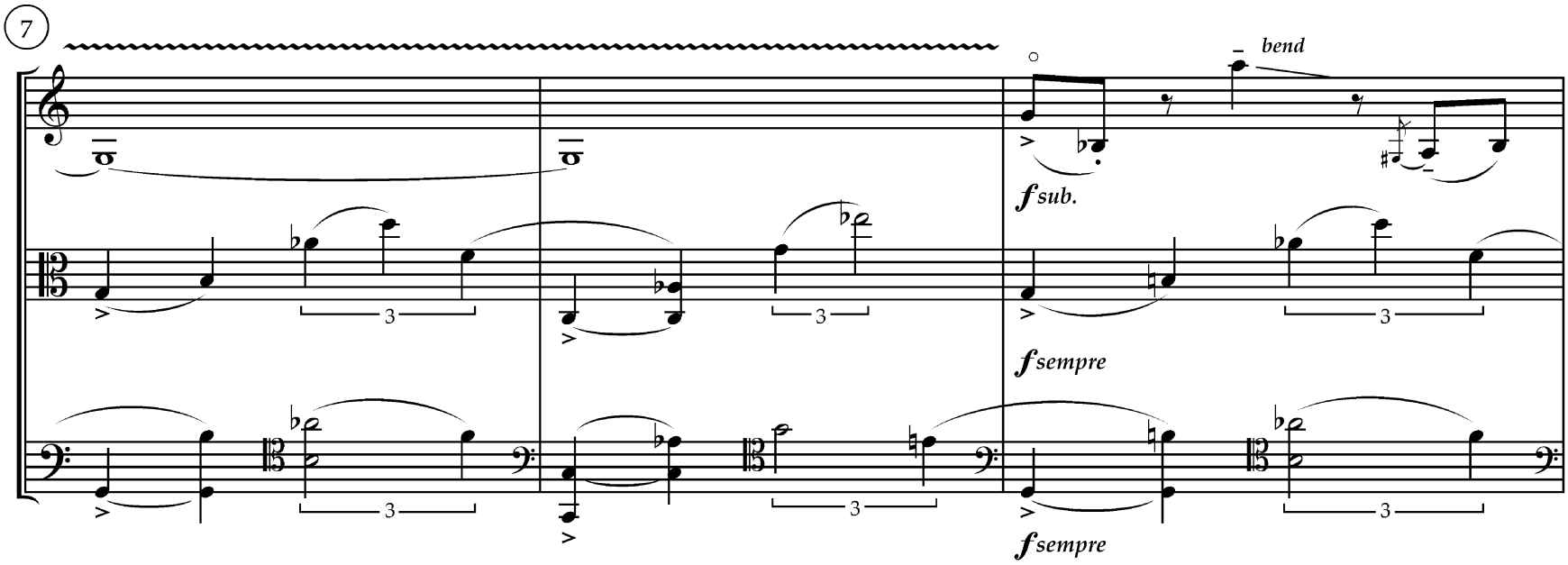

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10

gliss. bend gliss.

13

bend gliss. bend

16

gliss. bend gliss.

fmf cresc. poco a poco

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19

bend

gliss.

più f

gliss.

(f)

più f

più f

22

gliss.

bend

bend

25

gliss.

gliss.

bend

ff

ff

ff

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28

sffz mp sub.

gliss.

gliss.

sffz mp sub.

sffz

31

p

p

34

pp *q.n.*

pp *q.n.*

gliss.

gliss.

f sub.

gliss.

gliss.

f sub.

gliss.

gliss.

f

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37

gliss.

gliss.

bend

gliss.

gliss.

gliss.

pesante

gliss.

gliss.

5

pesante

3

3

40

gliss.

bend

gliss.

fsempre

fmp cresc. poco a poco

3

3

3

3

3

fsempre

43

bend

bend

bend

(mf)

3

3

3

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46

bend

fmf cresc. poco a poco

gliss.

gliss.

più f

più f

49

(f)

gliss.

gliss.

più f

52

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55

ff

ff

ff

3

3

58

crescendo

3

3

crescendo

61

3

♩ = 110 (♪ = ♪)

fff

sffz

pesante e marcato

fff

sffz

pesante e marcato

3

3

3

3

fff

sffz

pesante e marcato

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64

mp sub.

mp sub.

pizz. *bend* arco

mp

68

II III

pizz. *gliss.* arco

pizz. *gliss.* arco

72

II III II III II III

pesante e marcato

sfz ff

pesante e marcato

sfz ff

pizz. *gliss.* arco

pizz. *gliss.* arco *pesante e marcato*

sfz ff

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76

mp sub.

mp sub.

pizz. *bend* arco

mp

80

II III

pizz. *gliss.* arco pizz. *gliss.* arco

84

II III II III II III

pizz. *gliss.* arco pizz. *gliss.* arco

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88

II III

II III

II III

II III

pizz. *gliss.*

arco

pizz. *gliss.*

arco

92

II III

II III

II III

II III

pizz. *gliss.*

arco

pizz.

arco

pizz.

arco

pizz. *gliss.*

96

p

p

arco

p

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99

pp

pp

pizz.

gliss. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

p sempre

101

p

pp

p

arco

pizz. *gliss.* *bend* *bend*

pp

p sempre

104

gliss. *bend* *bend*

arco

p sempre

pp

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107

3

Tempo 1 (♩= 147)

ppp

ppp

pizz.
gliss.

bend

bend

arco

6

fsub.

6

fsub.

5

fsub.

109

gliss.

gliss.

gliss.

gliss.

gliss.

gliss.

gliss.

gliss.

gliss.

112

gliss.

gliss.

bend

gliss.

gliss.

gliss.

5

3

3

3

3

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115

bend

gliss.

bend

3

3

3

118

gliss.

bend

gliss.

3

f sempre

fmf *cresc. poco a poco*

3

3

3

f sempre

121

bend

gliss.

più f

gliss.

6

(f)

più f

3

3

3

più f

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124

bend

bend

3

3

3

127

Tempo 2 (♩= 110)

pesante e marcato

ff

pesante e marcato

ff

pesante e marcato

3

3

ff

130

♩= 150

gliss.

gliss.

gliss.

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134

gliss. *gliss.* *gliss.*

gliss. *gliss.* *gliss.*

137

ffmp ***ff***

ffmp ***ff***

ffmp ***ff***

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6 - *If the girl can't dance, she says the band can't play.*

(9 November, 1938 CE. Germany/Austria)

♩ = 50

Tempo di valse

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

dolce

p

q.n.

pizz.

p

pizz.

p

5

gliss.

p

p

pp

9

poco rit.

gliss.

ppp

pp

pp

ppp

ppp

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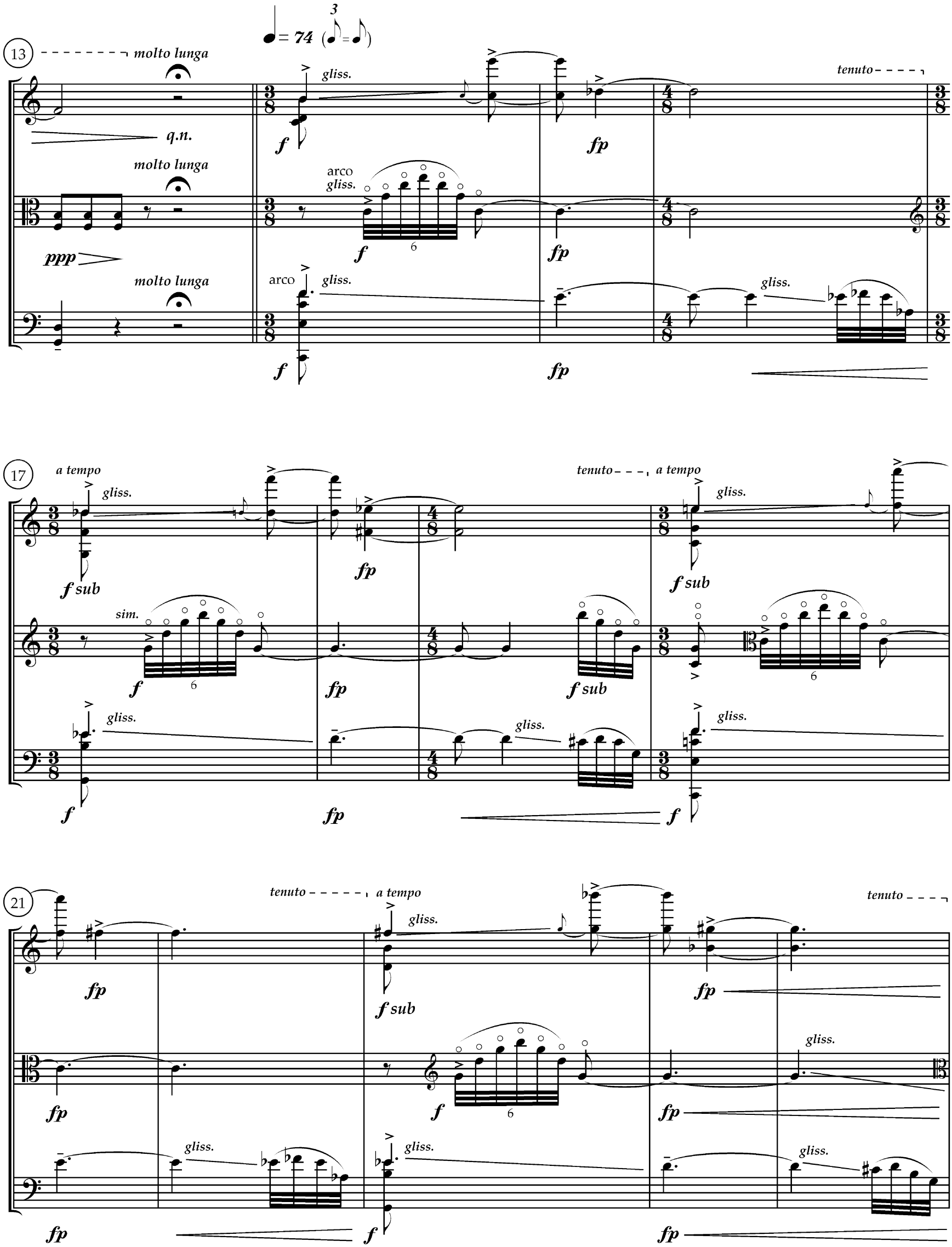

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26

a tempo

tenuto

a tempo

gliss.

trem.

29

tenuto

a tempo

tenuto

32

a tempo

gliss.

bend

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poco rit.

Tempo 1

36

lunga

dolce

ff

p

q.n.

lunga

ff

lunga

gliss.

pizz.

3

3

ff

p

40

gliss.

p

q.n.

p

pizz.

3

3

3

3

3

44

ritardando

a tempo

p

p

pp

3

3

3

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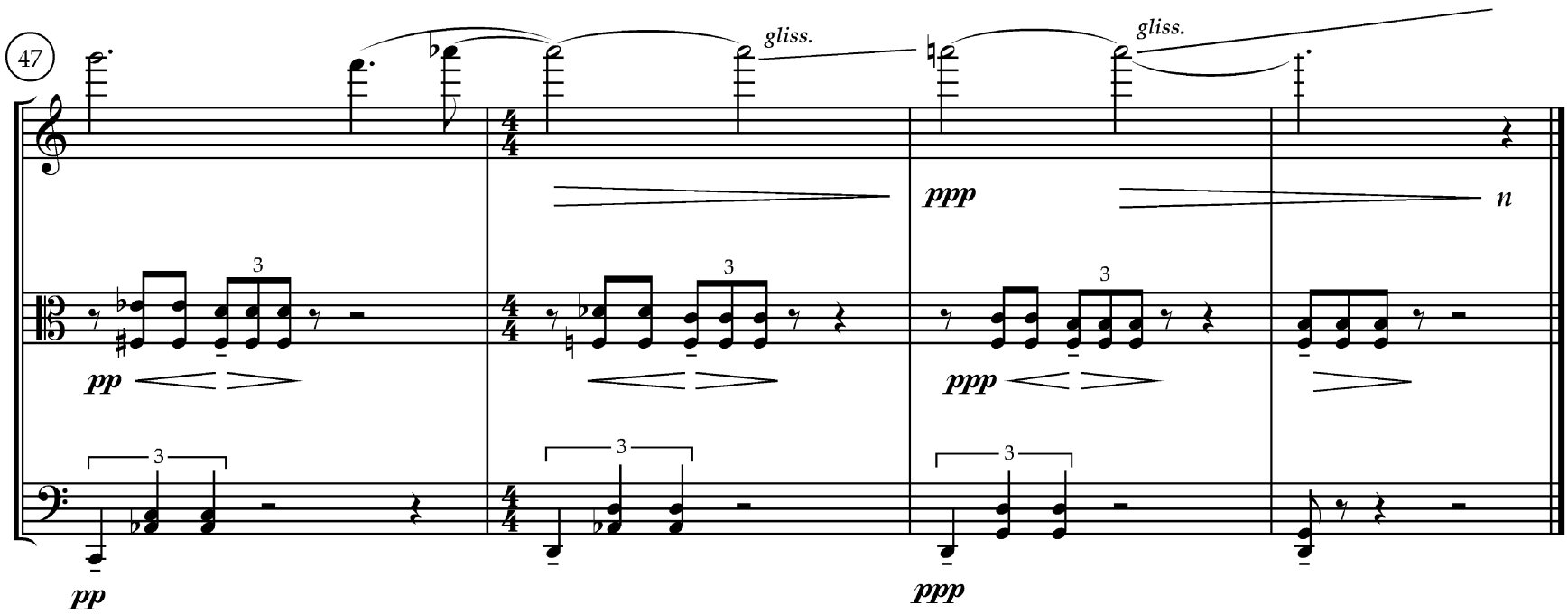

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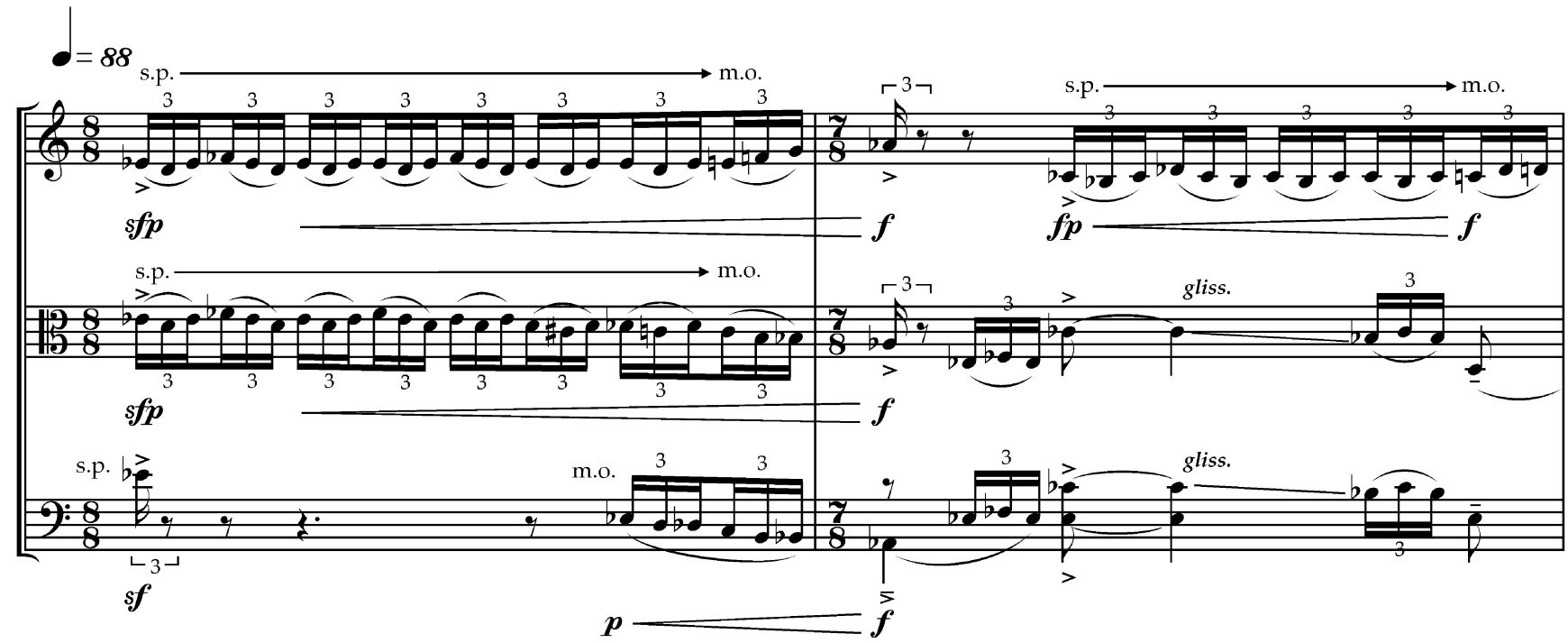
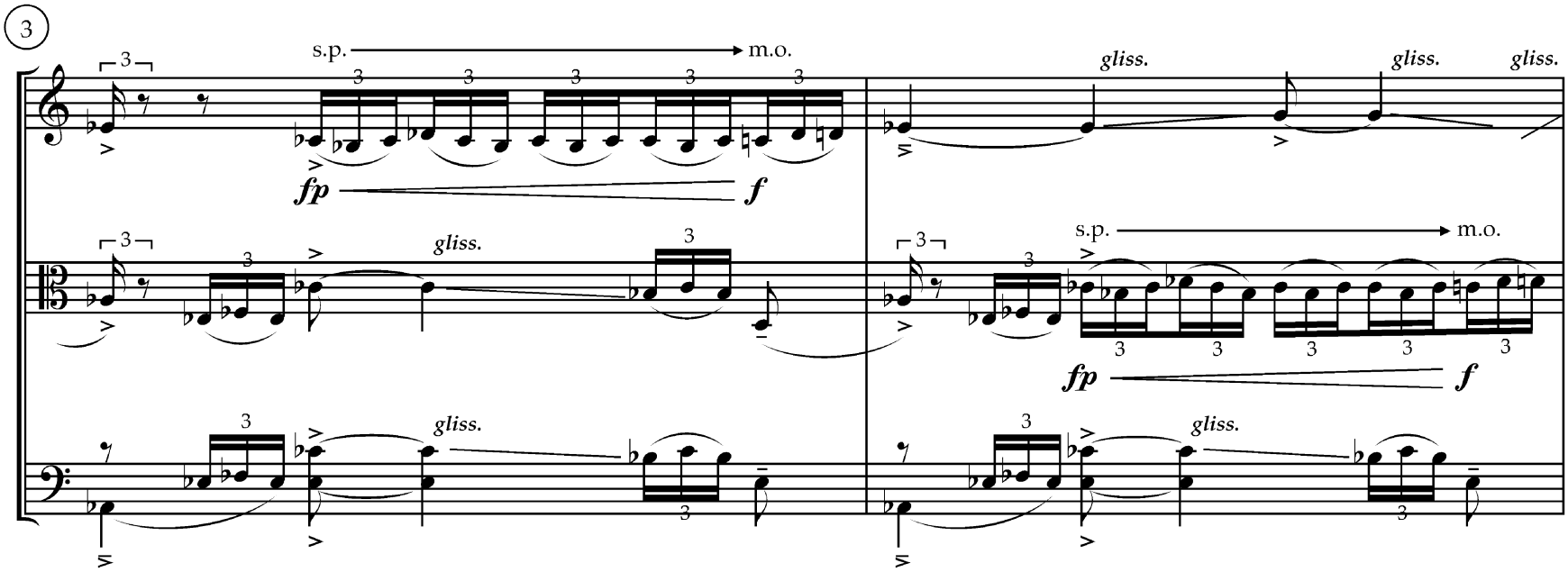
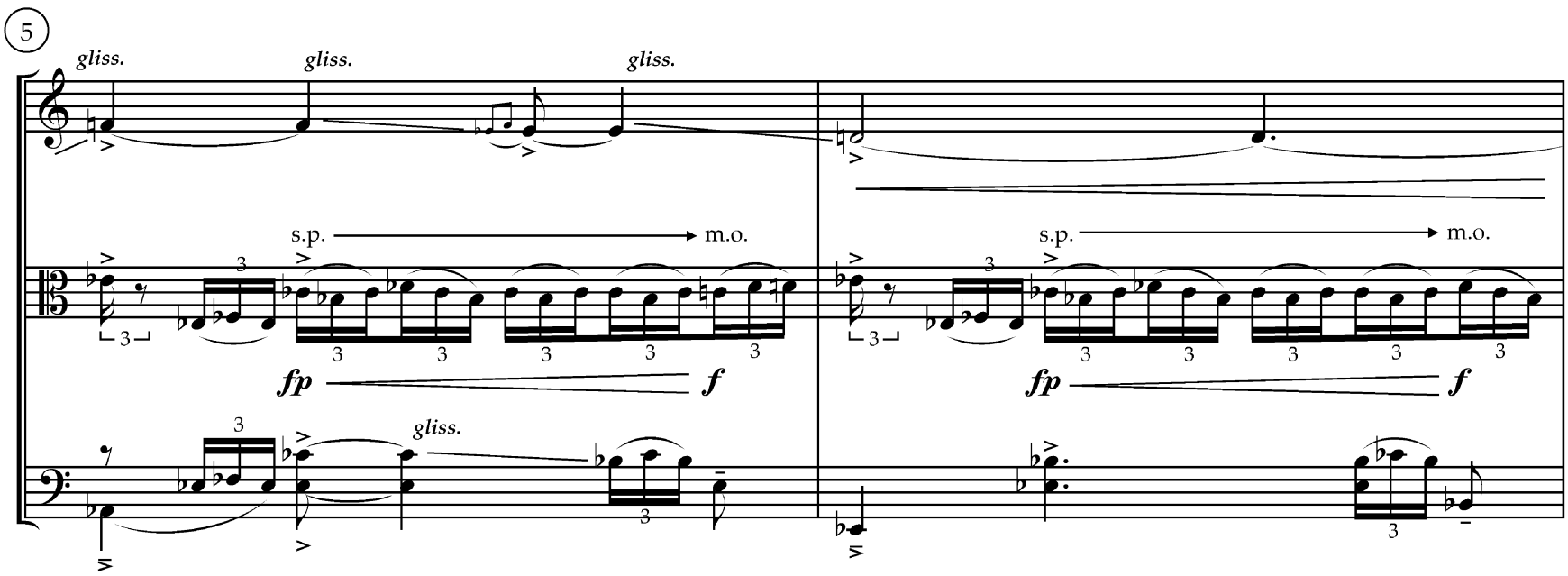
(27 June, 1941 CE. Iasi, Romania)







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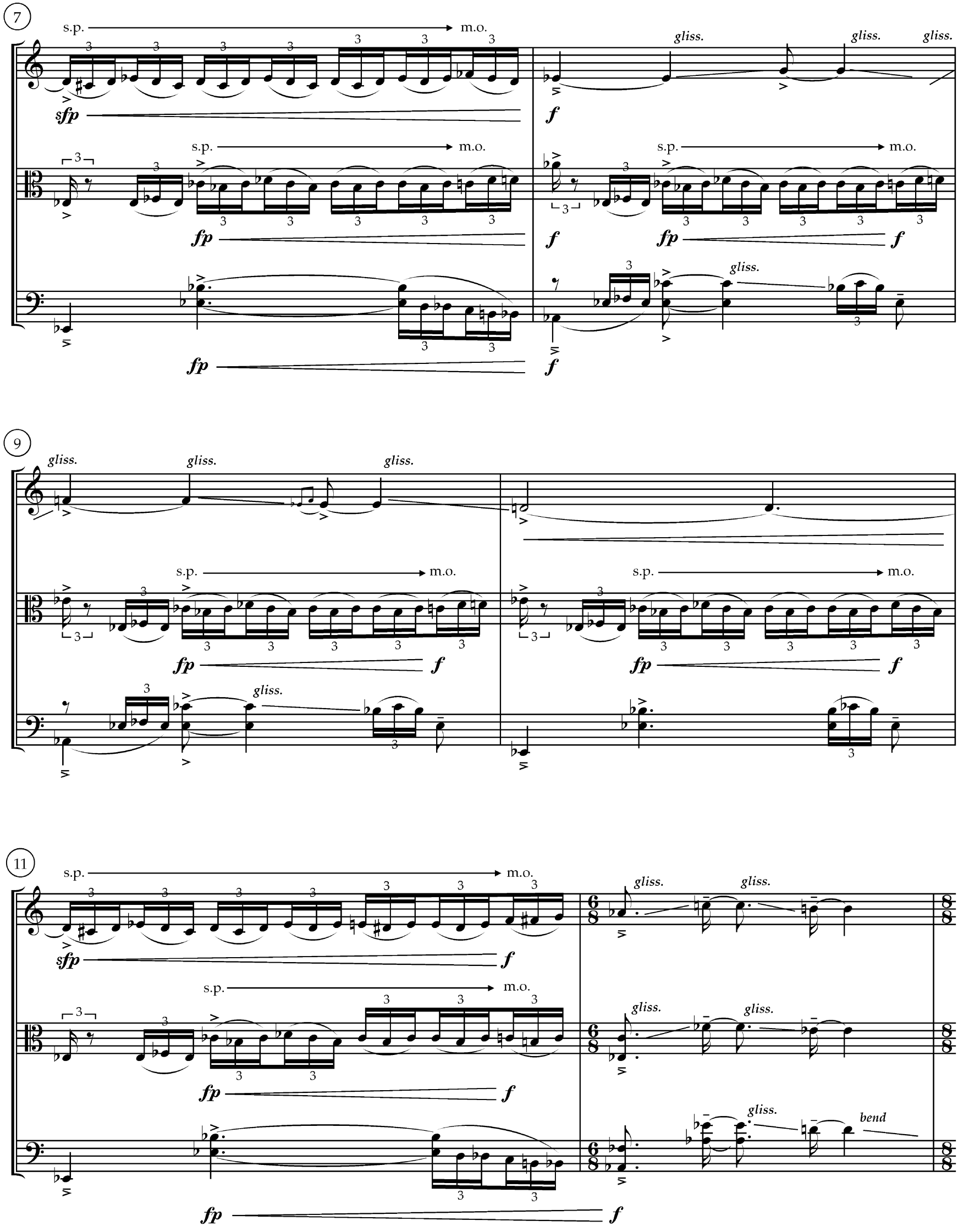

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13

gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. bend

sf f sf f sf f

16

gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss.

più f sf più f sf

20

ff sf fff ff sf fff ff sf fff

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23

fffp *molto* *sffz*

fffp *molto* *sffz*

s.p.

fffp *molto* *sffzp*

26

s.p. m.o.

q.n. *f*

s.p. m.o.

q.n. *f*

m.o.

n. *p*

s.p. m.o.

fp *f*

gliss.

gliss.

f

s.p. m.o.

fp *f*

28

s.p. m.o.

fp *f*

gliss.

gliss.

fmp

s.p. m.o.

fp *f*

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30

s.p. → m.o.

fmp

sfzp *f*

s.p. → m.o.

fp *f*

s.p. → m.o.

fp *f*

p

32

s.p. → m.o.

sfzp *ff*

s.p. → m.o.

fp *ff*

f *p* *ff*

34

s.p.

sfzp *pp*

s.p.

sfzp *pp*

sfz

m.o. pizz.

m.o. pizz.

m.o. pizz.

pp

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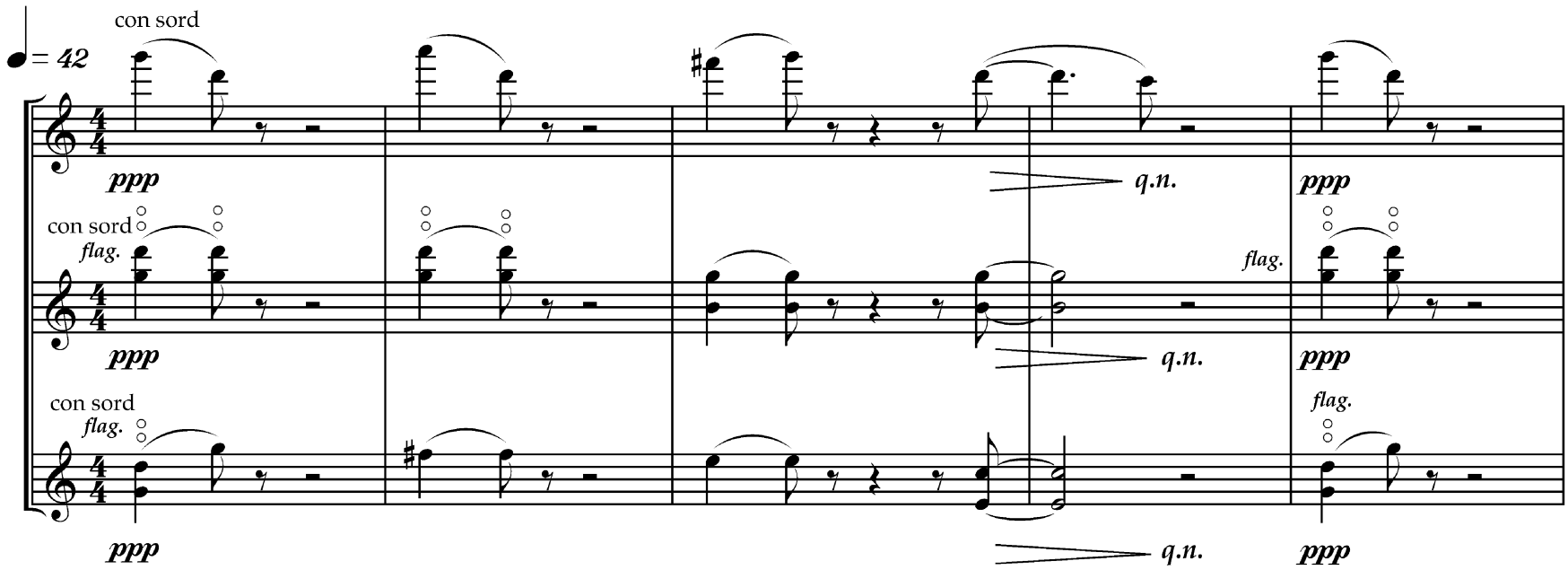
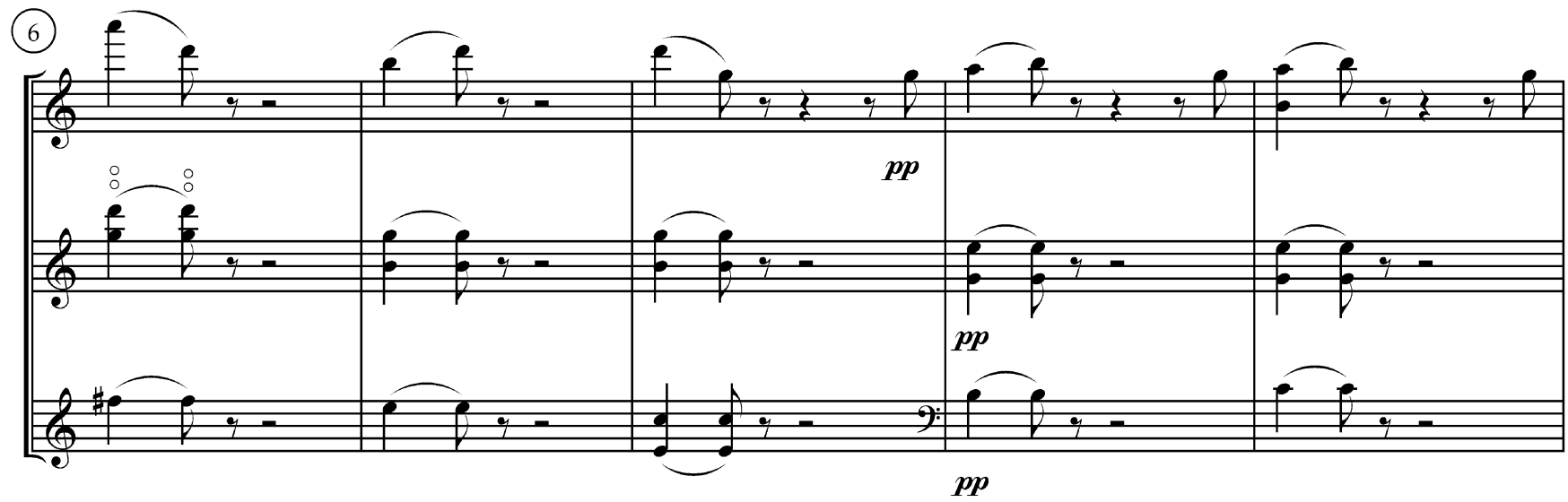
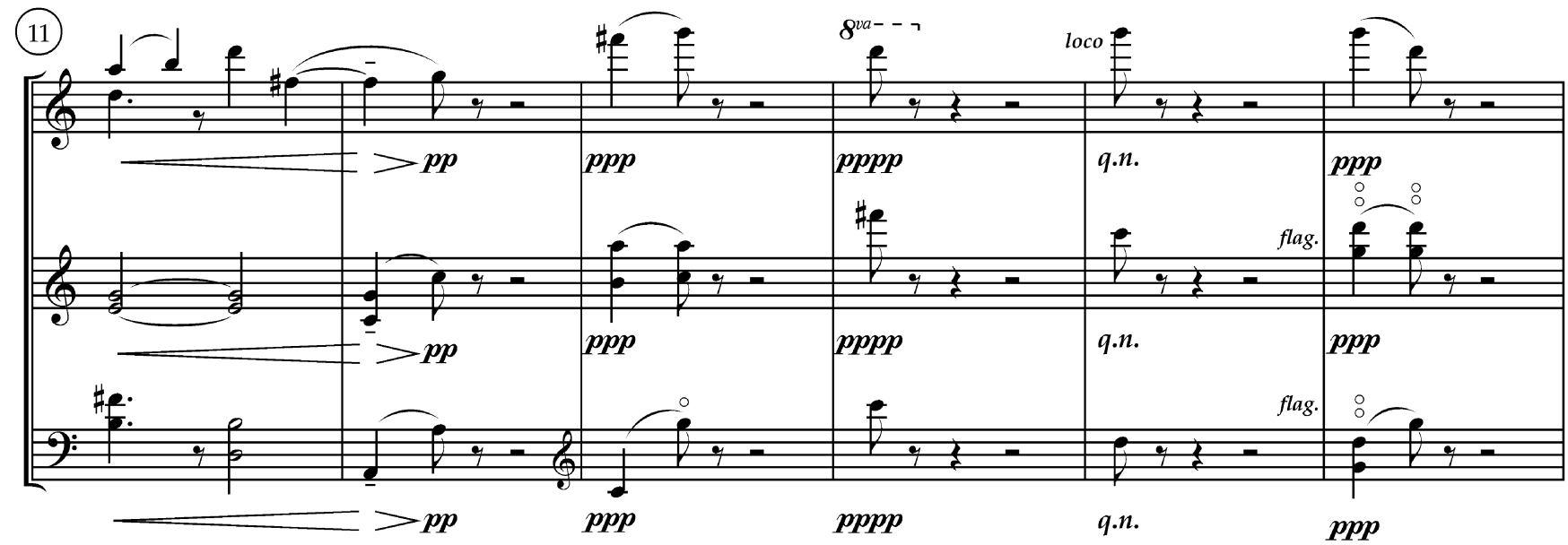
8 - *If you lie on the ground, you cannot fall.*

(18 July, 1994 CE. Buenos Aires, Argentina)







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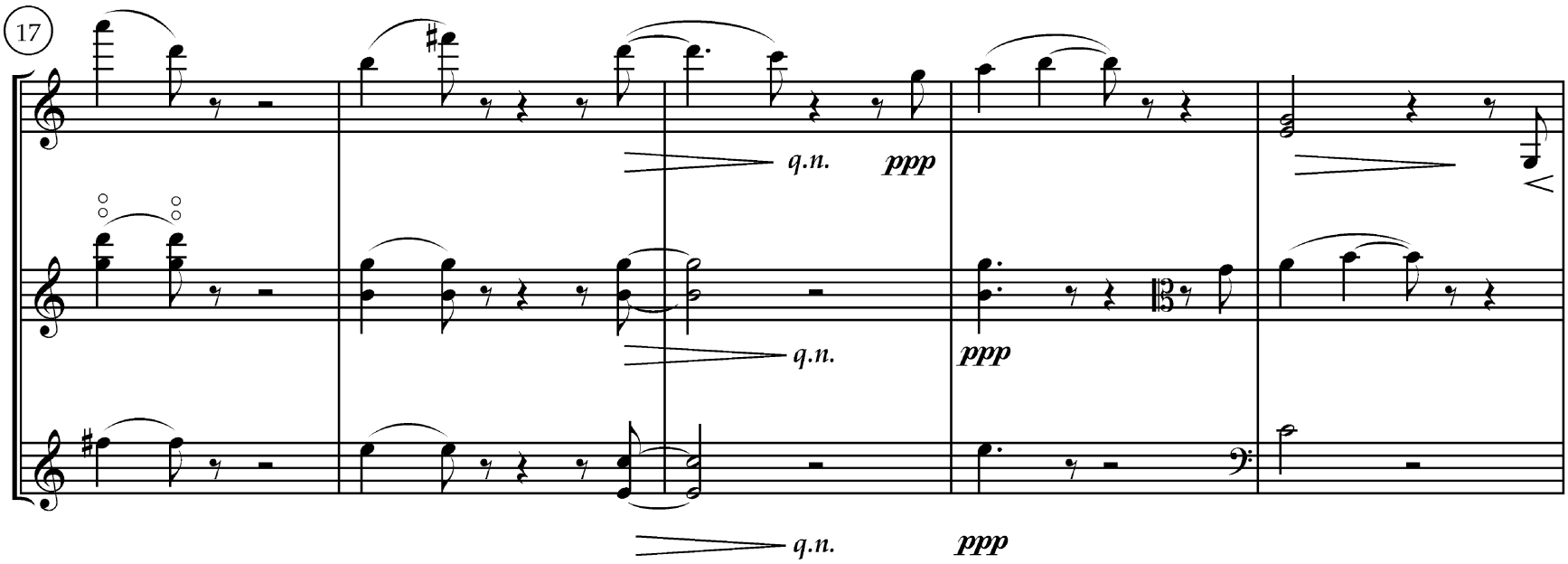

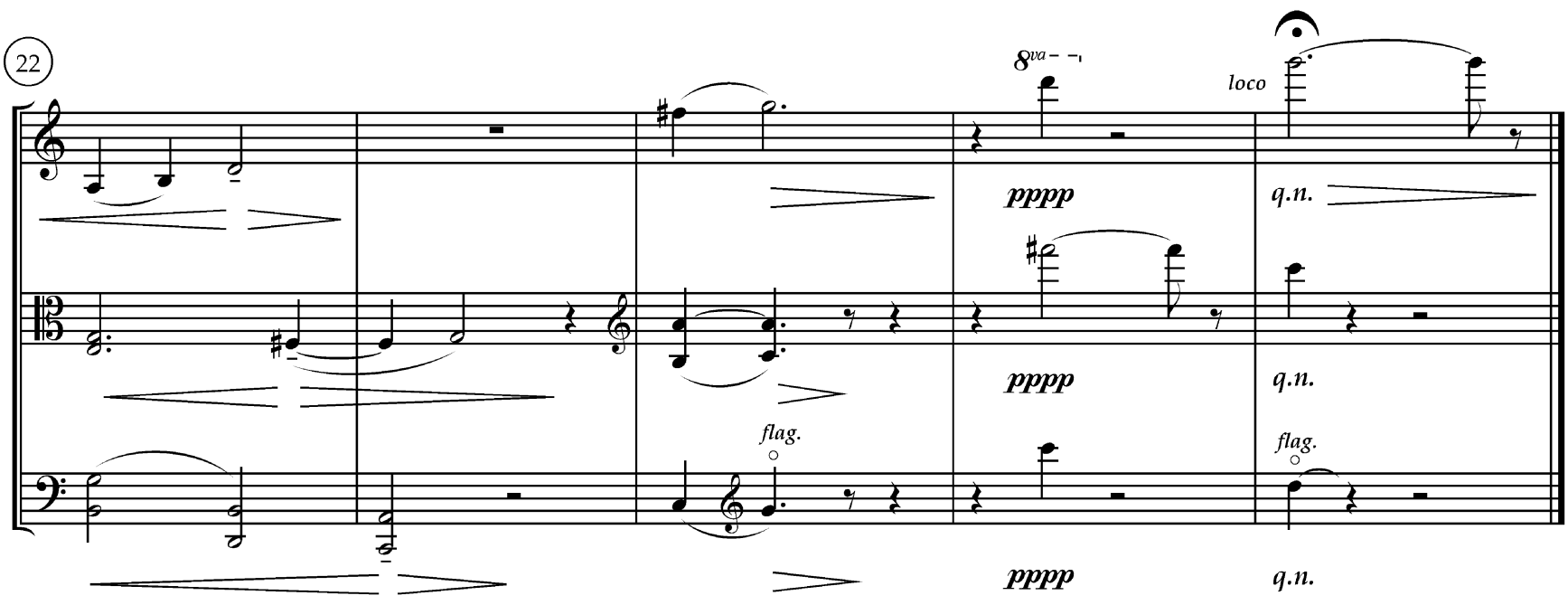

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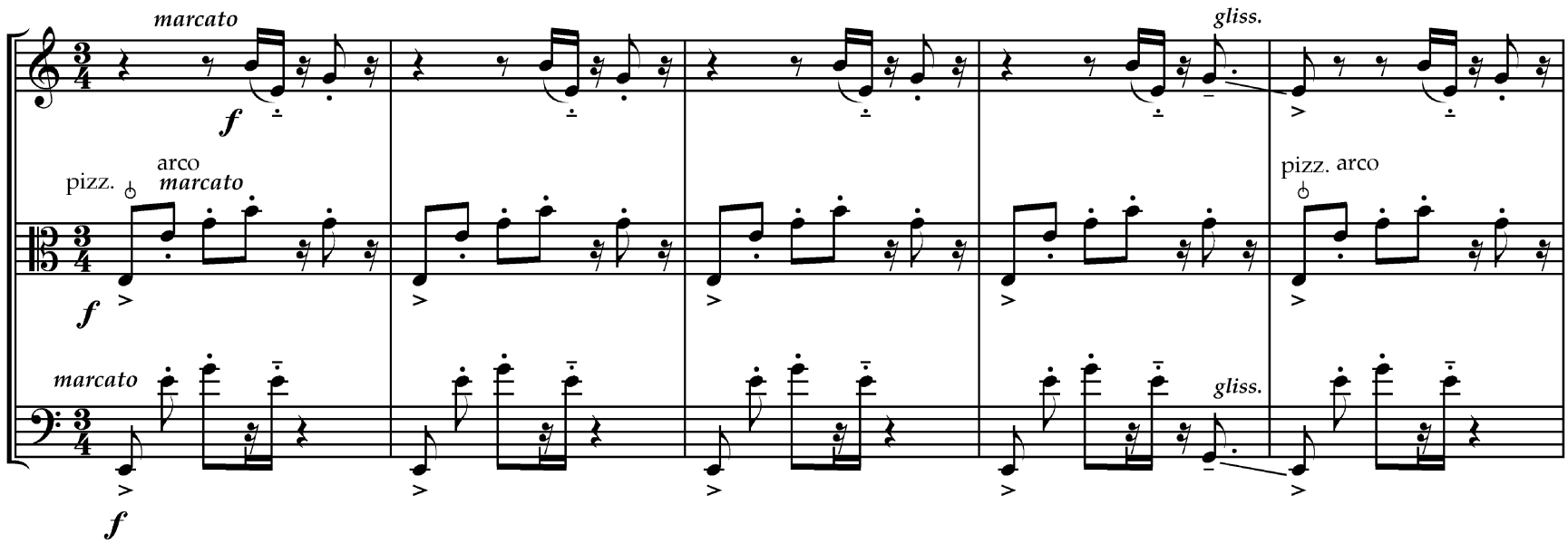
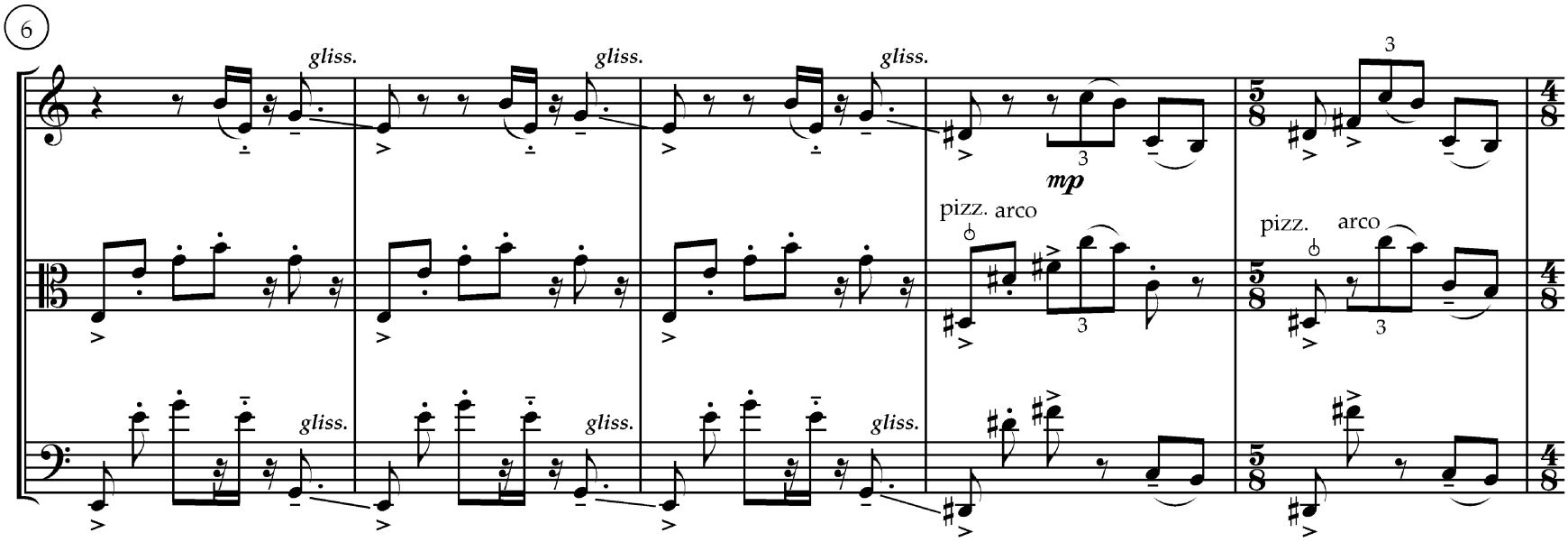
9 - *What will become of the sheep if the wolf is the judge?*

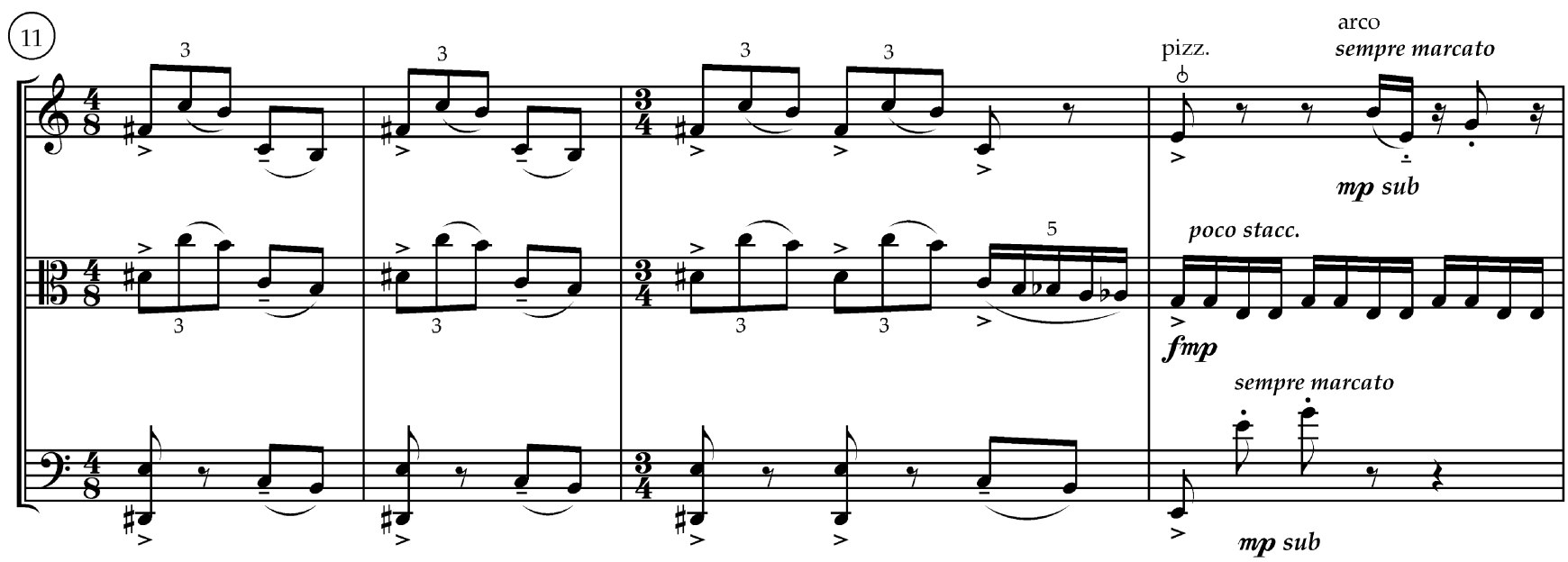
(9 November, 2013 CE. Stockholm, Sweden)

♩ = 118

Ben ritmico







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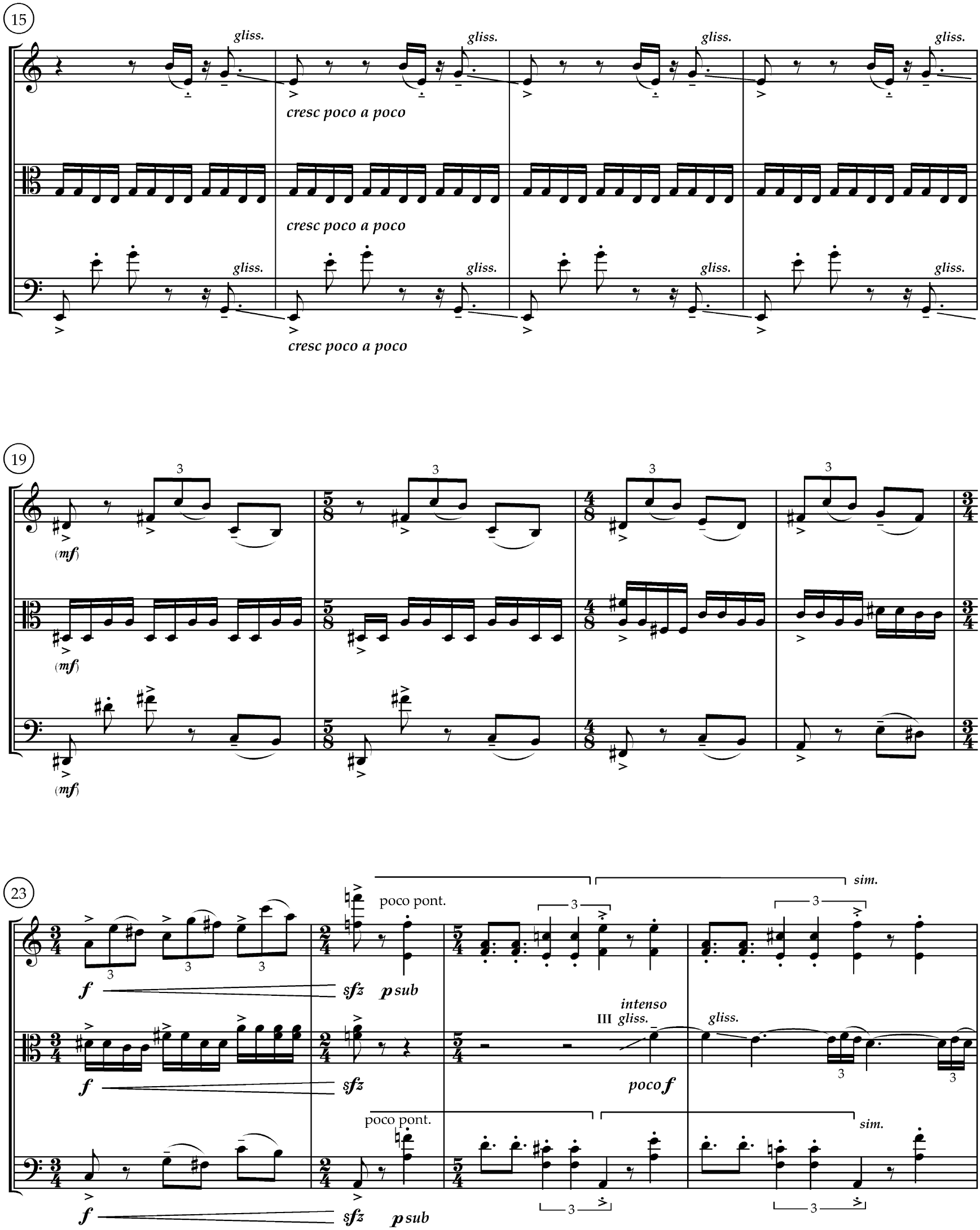

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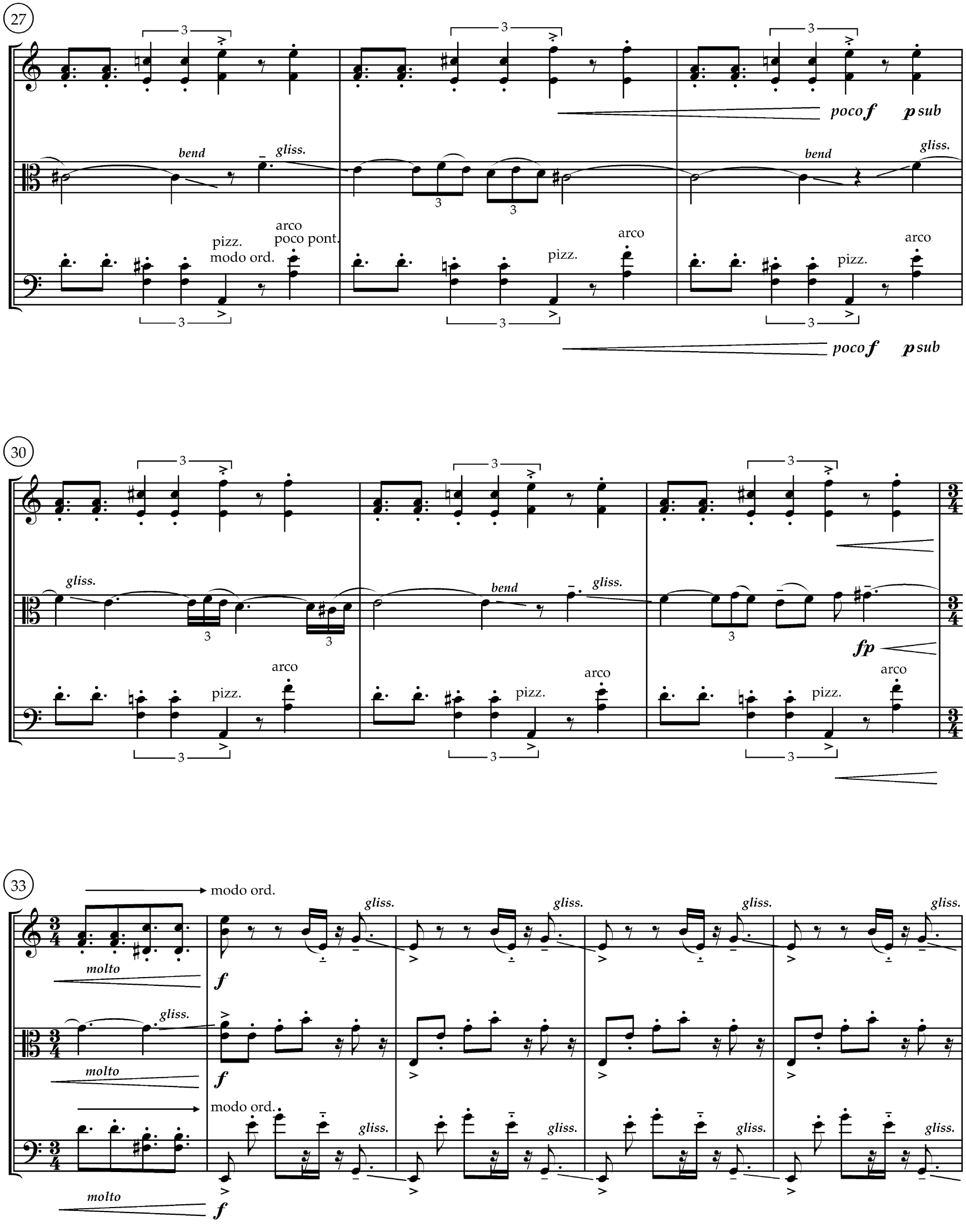

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38

pizz. arco

pizz. arco

42

pizz. arco

gliss.

mp sub

poco stacc.

fmp

mp sub

46

cresc poco a poco

(mf)

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51

f *ff*

f *ff*

f *ff*

54

ffmp

ffmp

intenso e passionato

gliss. gliss.

bend

poco f

3

fmp

57

ff sub *ffmp*

ff sub *ffmp*

gliss. gliss. gliss.

poco f

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60

ffmf

ffmf

gliss. gliss. gliss.

ff *f*

3

63

ffmf

ffmf

gliss. gliss. gliss.

ff *f*

3

66

ffmf *ff*

ffmf *ff*

gliss.

5

5

ffmf *ff*

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69

marcato gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss.

sfz poco f

poco stacc.

sfz poco f

marcato gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss.

sfz poco f

73

furioso furioso furioso

ff sub

furioso furioso furioso

5

ff sub

3 3 3

ff sub

76

marcato gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss.

sfz poco f

poco stacc.

sfz poco f

marcato gliss. gliss. gliss. gliss.

sfz poco f

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80

furioso furioso furioso furioso

ff sub

furioso furioso furioso furioso

ff sub

ff sub

84

ffmf cresc poco a poco

ffmf cresc poco a poco

86

furioso

f

ff fff

furioso

f

ff fff

gliss.

f

ff fff

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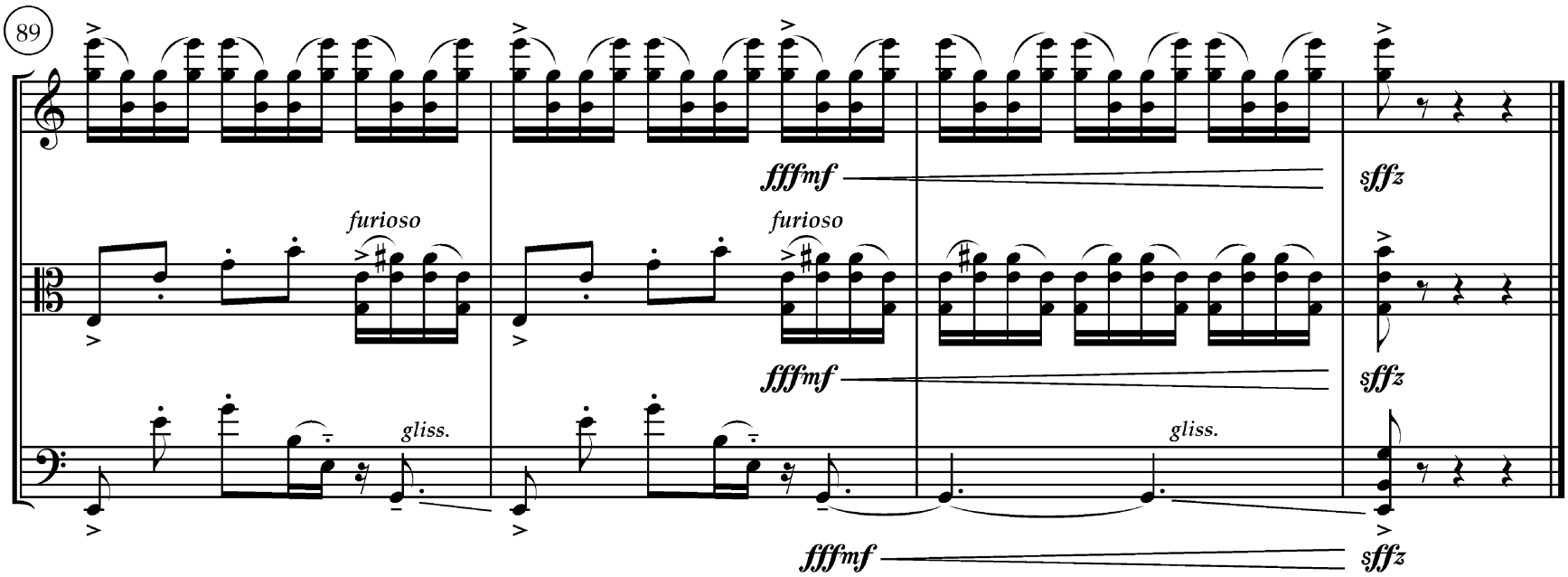

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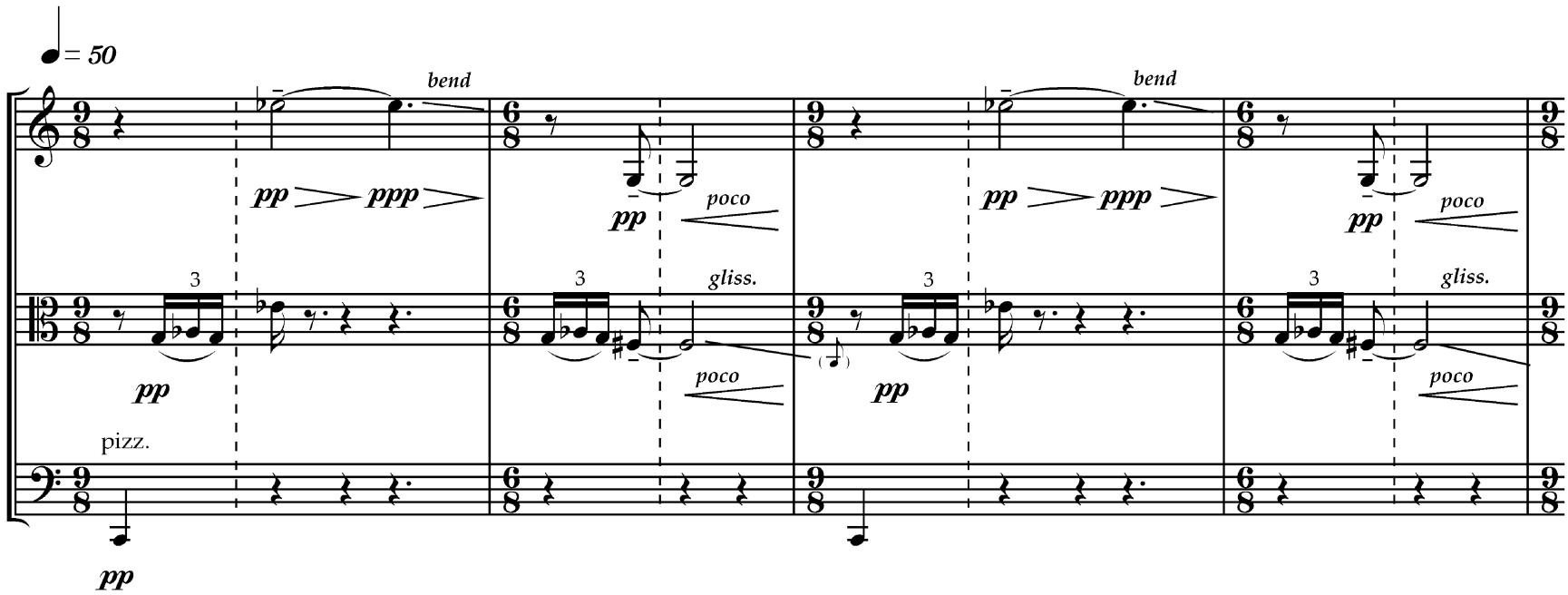
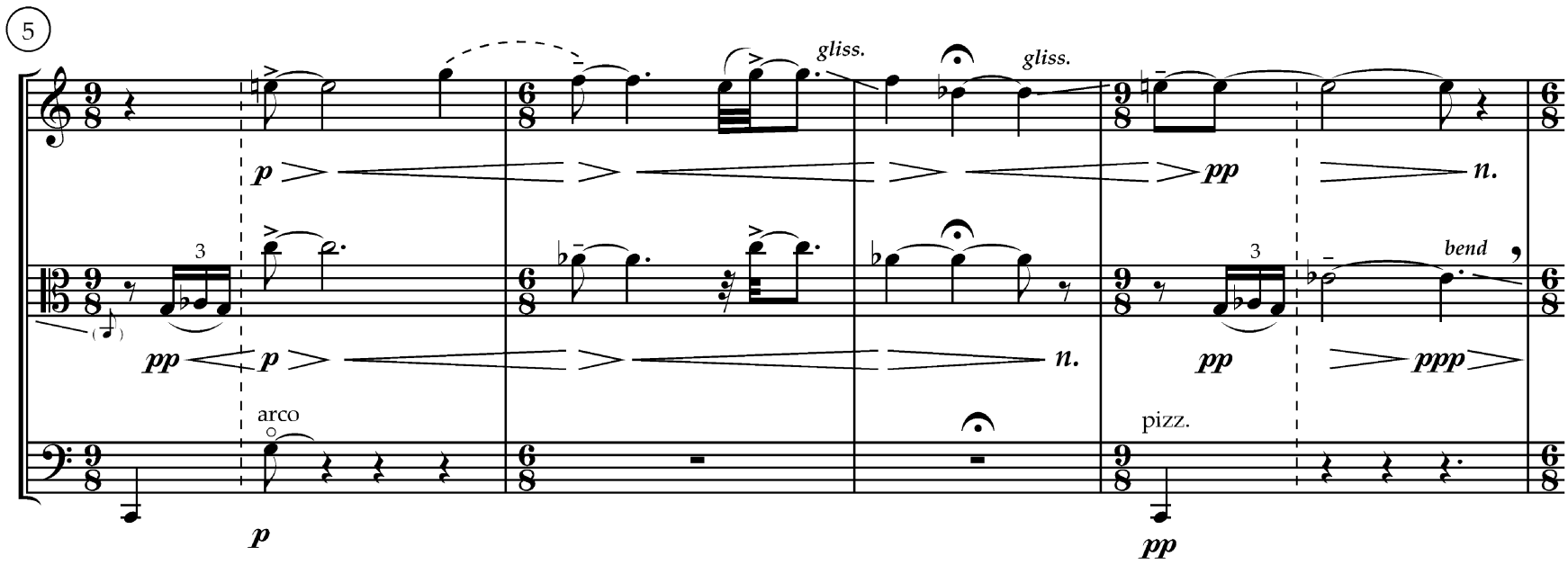
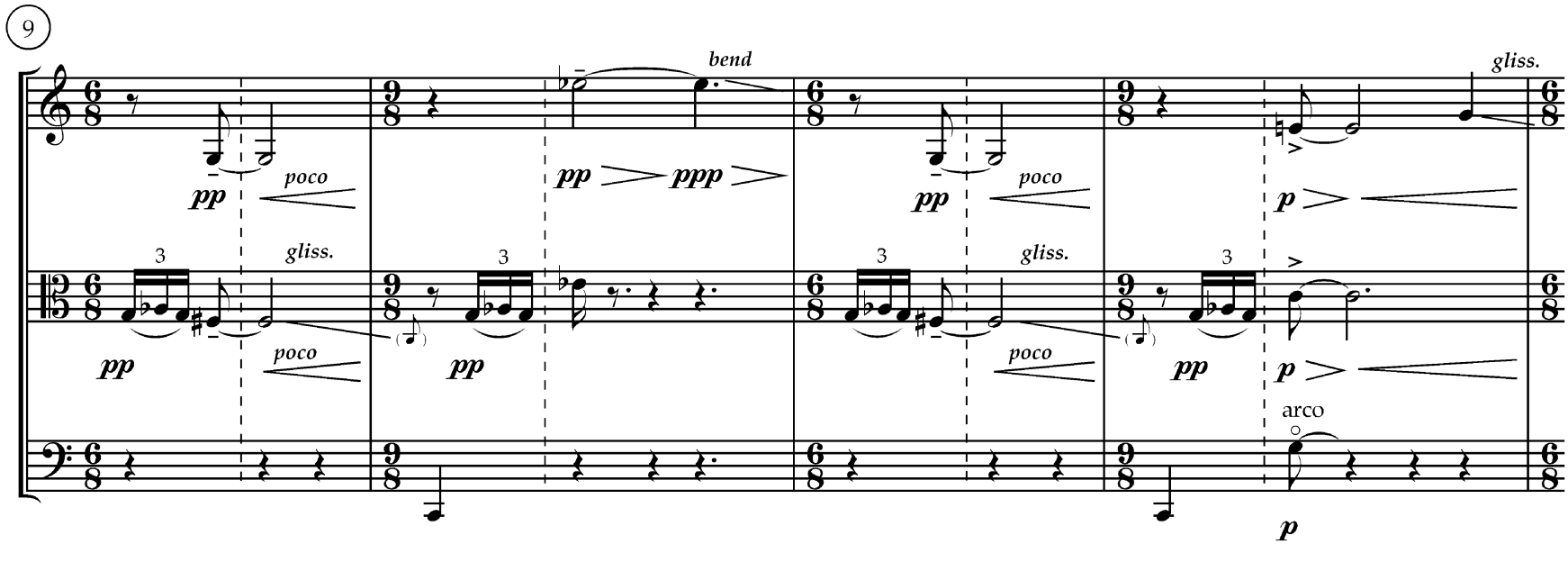
10 - *Man plans and God weeps.*

(24 May, 2014 CE. Brussels, Belgium)







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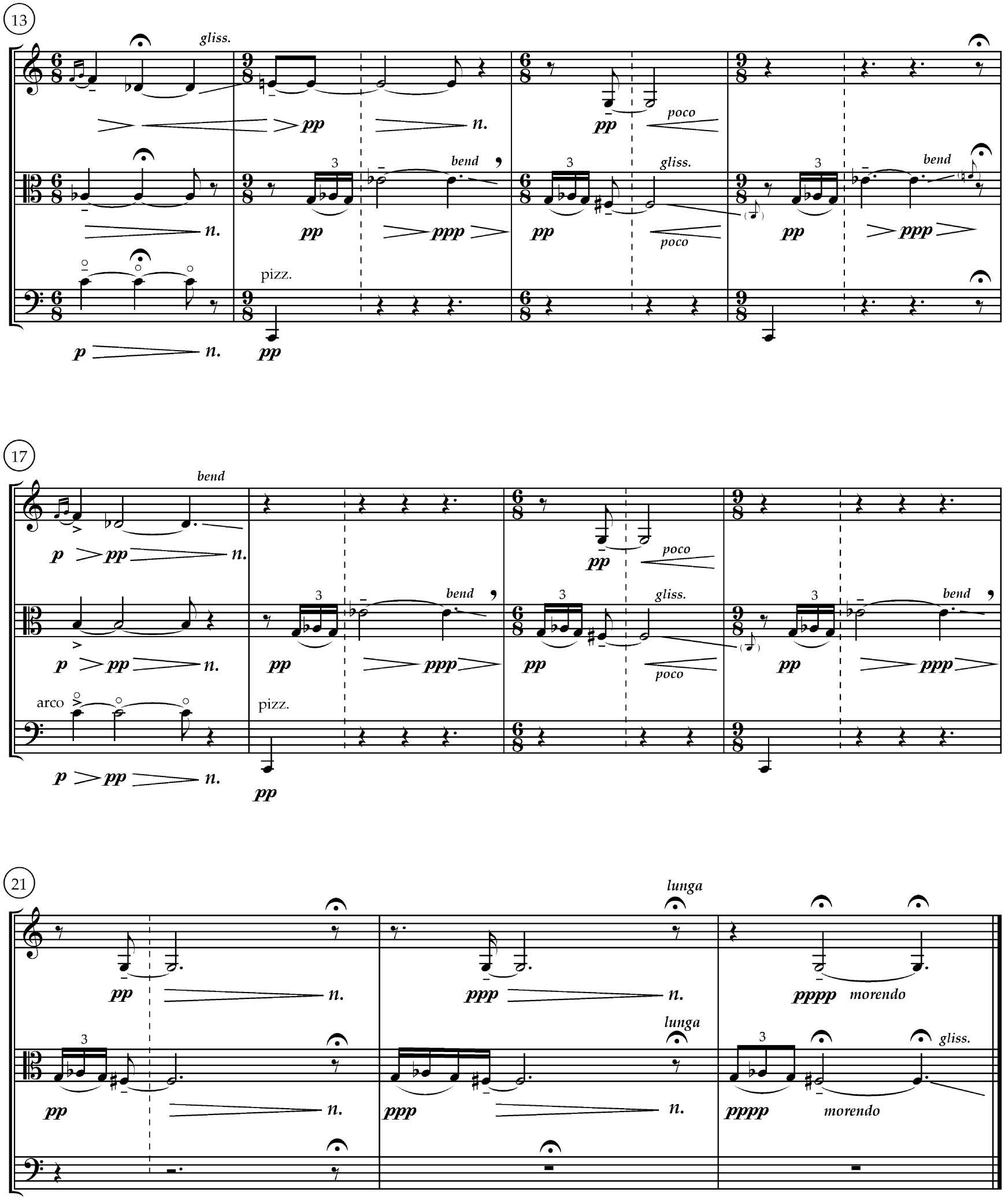

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