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PULSAR

for string quartet

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Duration: 10 minutes

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Orchestration:

2 Violin
1 Viola
1 Violoncello

Written for the JACK Quartet's 2021 Residency at New York University.

Instructions:

ST – sul tasto
mST – molto sul tasto
sul pont. – sul ponticello
mSP – molto sul ponticello
For all slurred pizzicati, the second pitch should only be touched on the string and not plucked.

Program Note:

Ever since I was a little kid, my family and I would go from our home in the Chicago suburbs up into northern Wisconsin. The air was always sweet and the sky was always clearer. I remember when night would come, I would step outside and look up at the stars. They radiated so much energy, so much heat, enough to be seen from thousands of light-years away. This piece is dedicated to that energy. It is so often beautiful to look at but quite ominous to conceptualize. It exists as a paradoxical state of wonder and frenzied chaos.

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Energized ♩=76

Violin I

Violin II

Viola

Violoncello

sf

sfz

pp *f*

sfz

2

molto sul tasto

Vln. I

pp

arco

Vln. II

pp

Vla.

pp

arco

Vc.

4

Vln. I

Vln. II

p

Vla.

p

Vc.

mf *ppp* *p*

ppp

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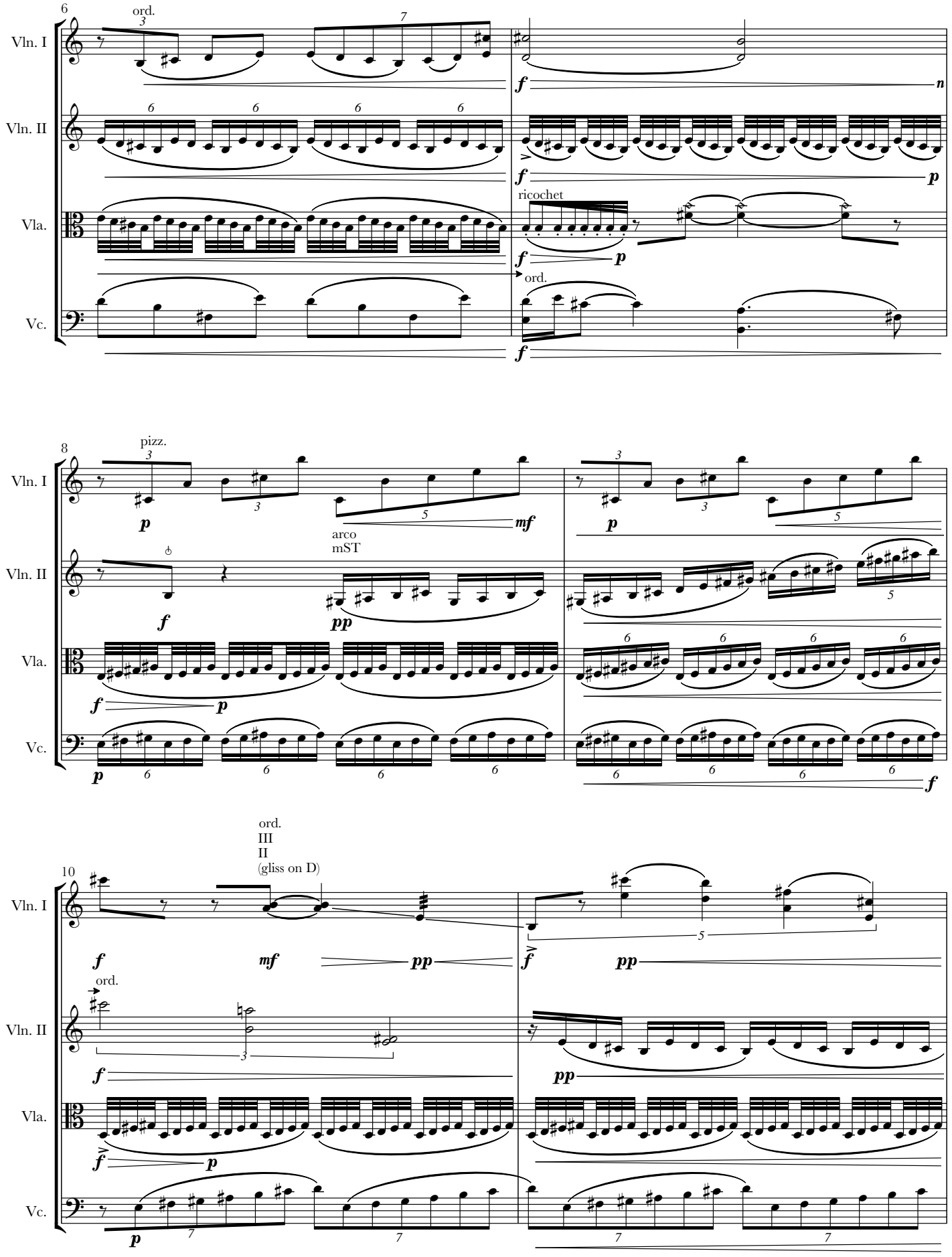

6
Vln. I
ord.
Vln. II
Vla.
ricochet
ord.
Vc.
8
pizz.
arco
mST
10
ord.
III
II
(gliss on D)
ord.

12

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

14

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

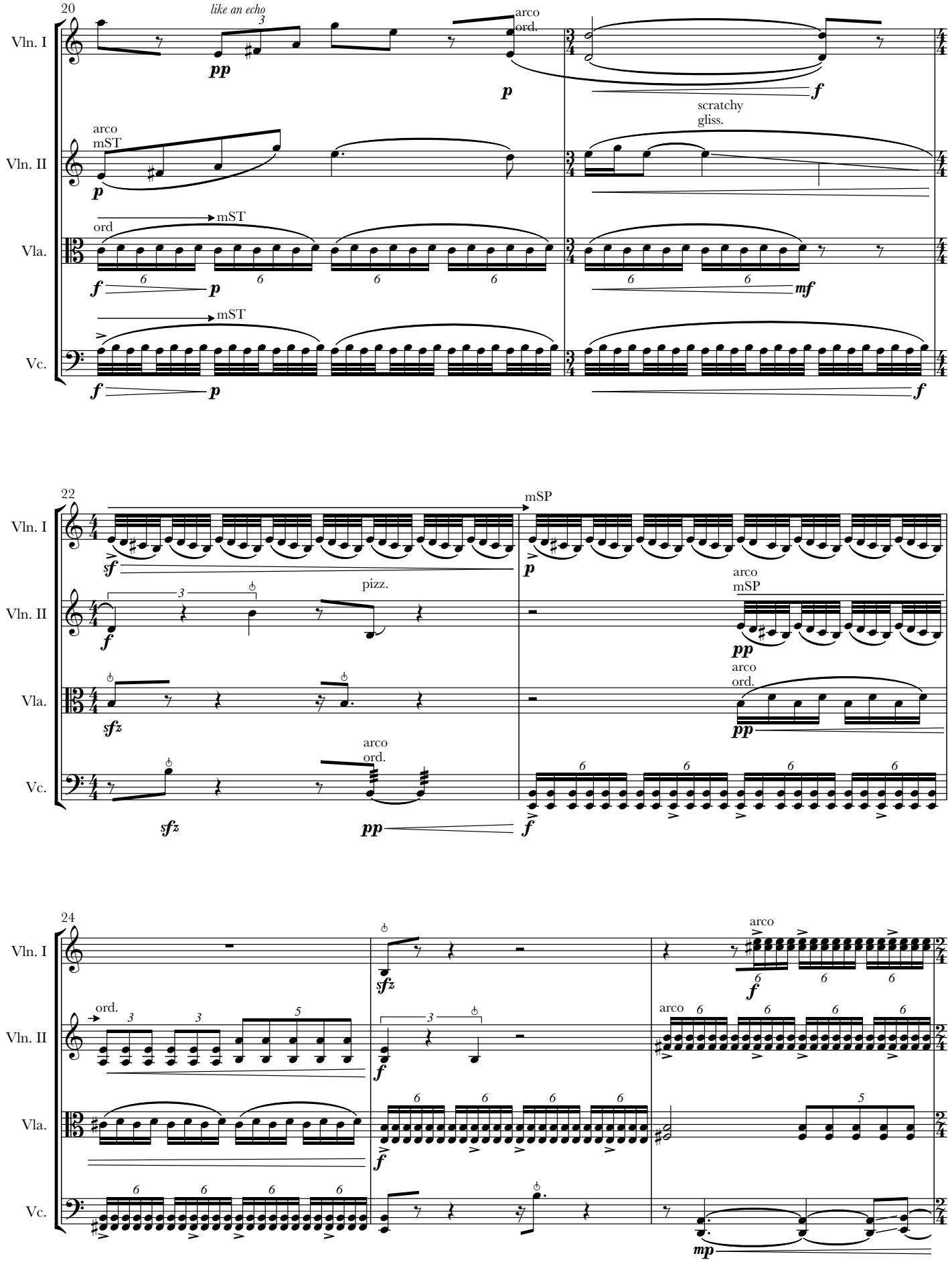
17

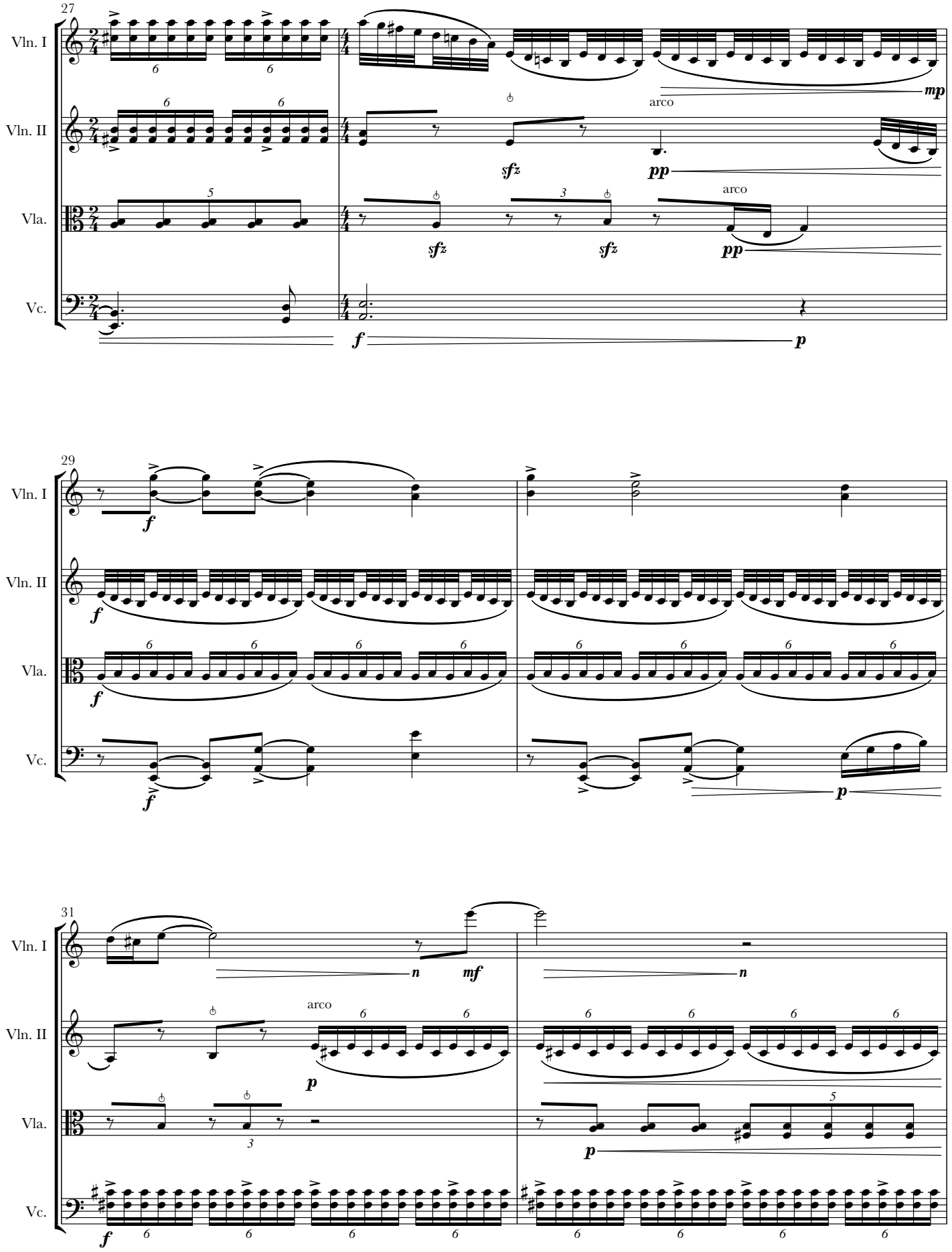
Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.


20
like an echo
arco
ord.
Vln. I
Vln. II
arco
mST
scratchy
gliss.
Vla.
ord
mST
Vc.
22
mSP
pizz.
arco
mSP
arco
ord.
24
ord.
arco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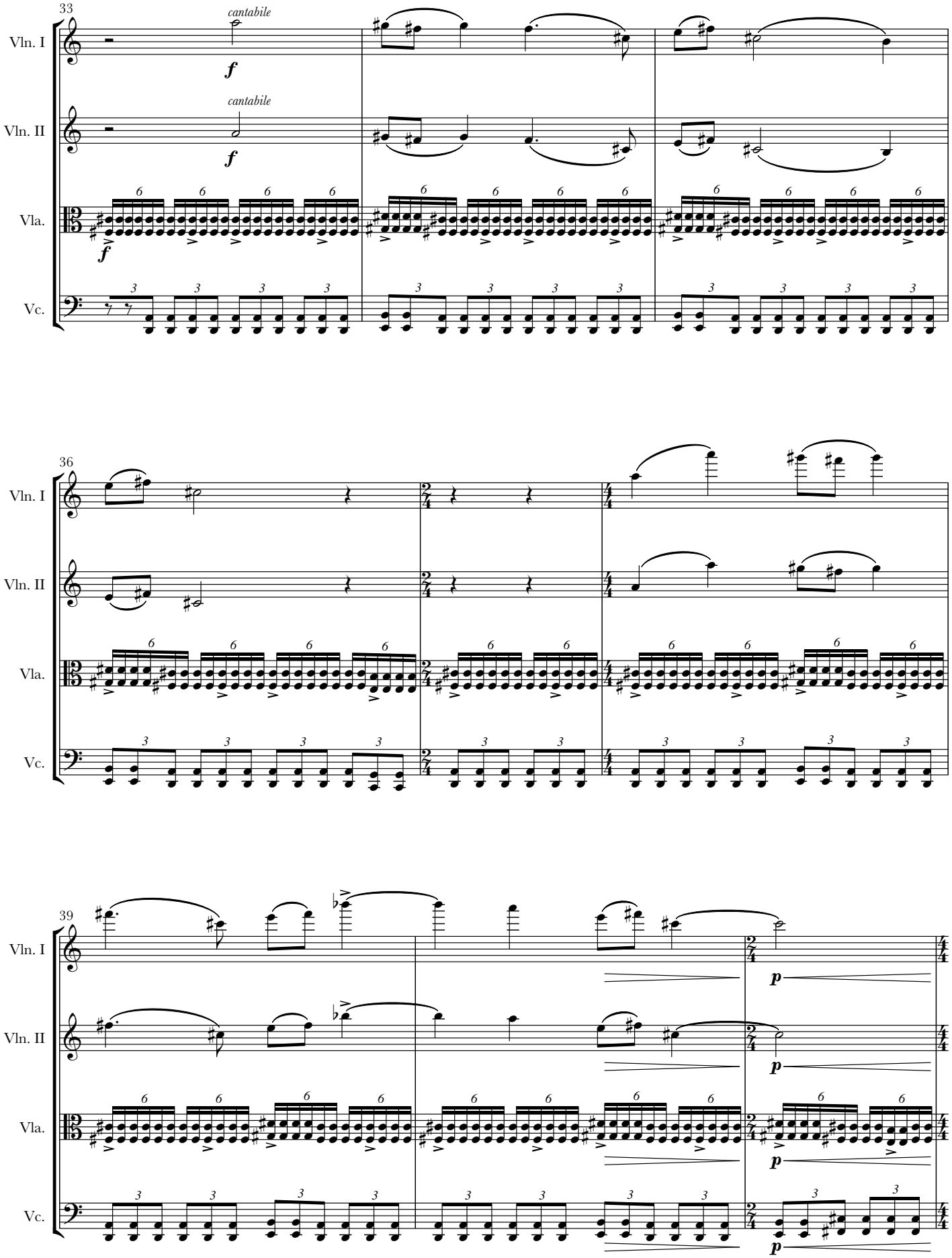
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
arco
mp
sfz
pp
f
p
29
31
n
mf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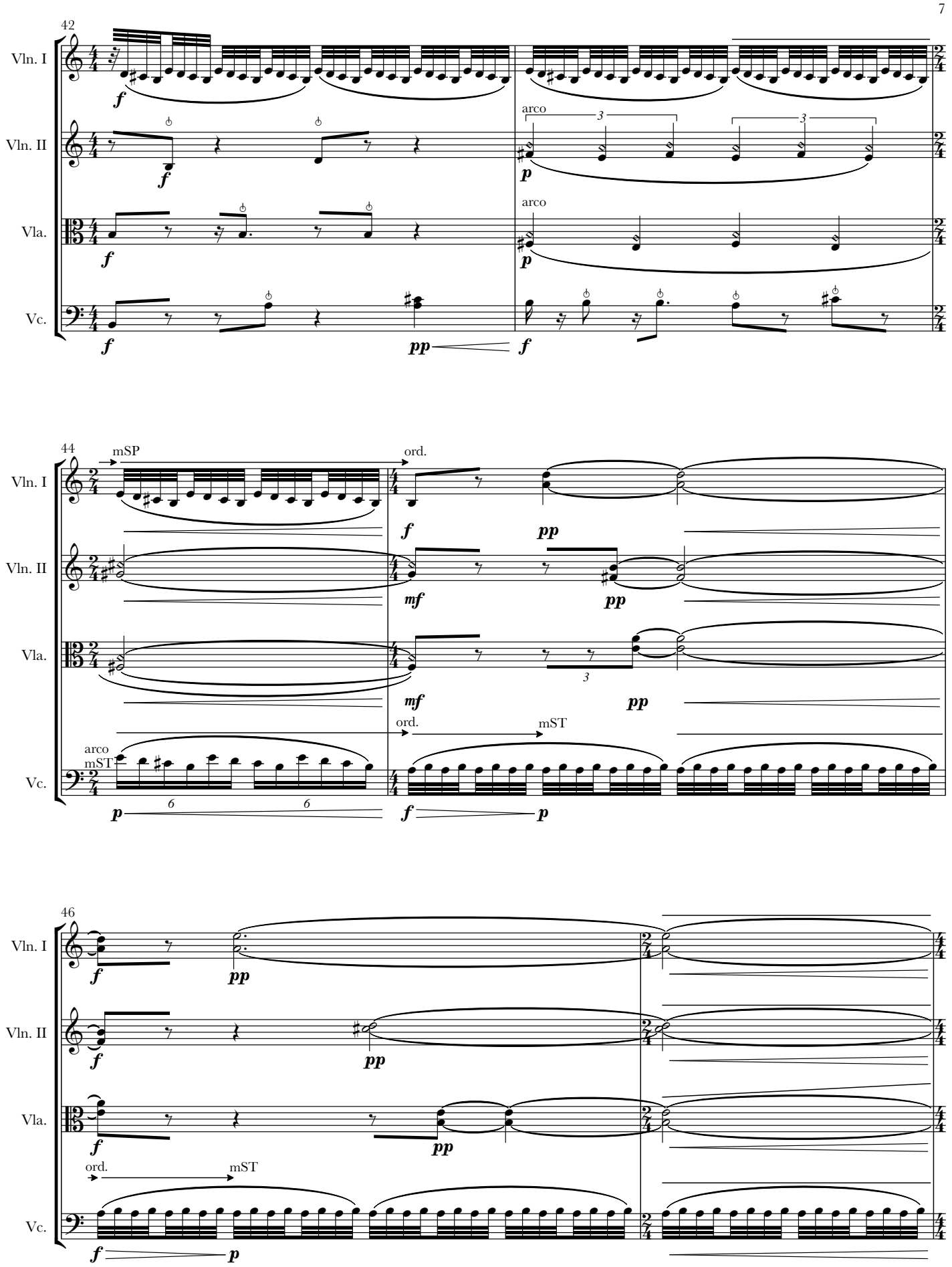
cantabile
Vln. I
f
cantabile
Vln. II
f
Vla.
f
Vc.
36
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
39
Vln. I
p
Vln. II
p
Vla.
p
Vc.
p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Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
arco
44
mSP
ord.
mST
46

48

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

mSP

mSP

mSP

ord.

mSP

ord.

mST

ord.

rit.

arco

A bit slower ♩=72

50

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

mSP

ord.

ricochet

ricochet

53

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

cantabile

cantabile

58

Vln. I

ff *ppp* *mf*

Vln. II

sul tasto

ff *pp* *ppp* *mf*

ord.

Vla.

sul tasto

ff *p*

Vc.

sul tasto

ff *p*

61

Vln. I

ppp *mf* *ppp* *mf*

pizz.

f

Vln. II

ppp *mf* *ppp* *mf*

arco

sul tasto

f *pp*

mSP

Vla.

f

Vc.

f

65

Vln. I

arco

ppp *mf* *n*

Vln. II

Vla.

mST

pp *ppp* *mf* *ppp*

Vc.

arco

sul tasto

pp

68

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

mSP

mST

mSP

mST

mST

mSP

mST

molto sul tasto

arco

molto sul tasto

pizz.

71

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

ord.

ord.

74

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

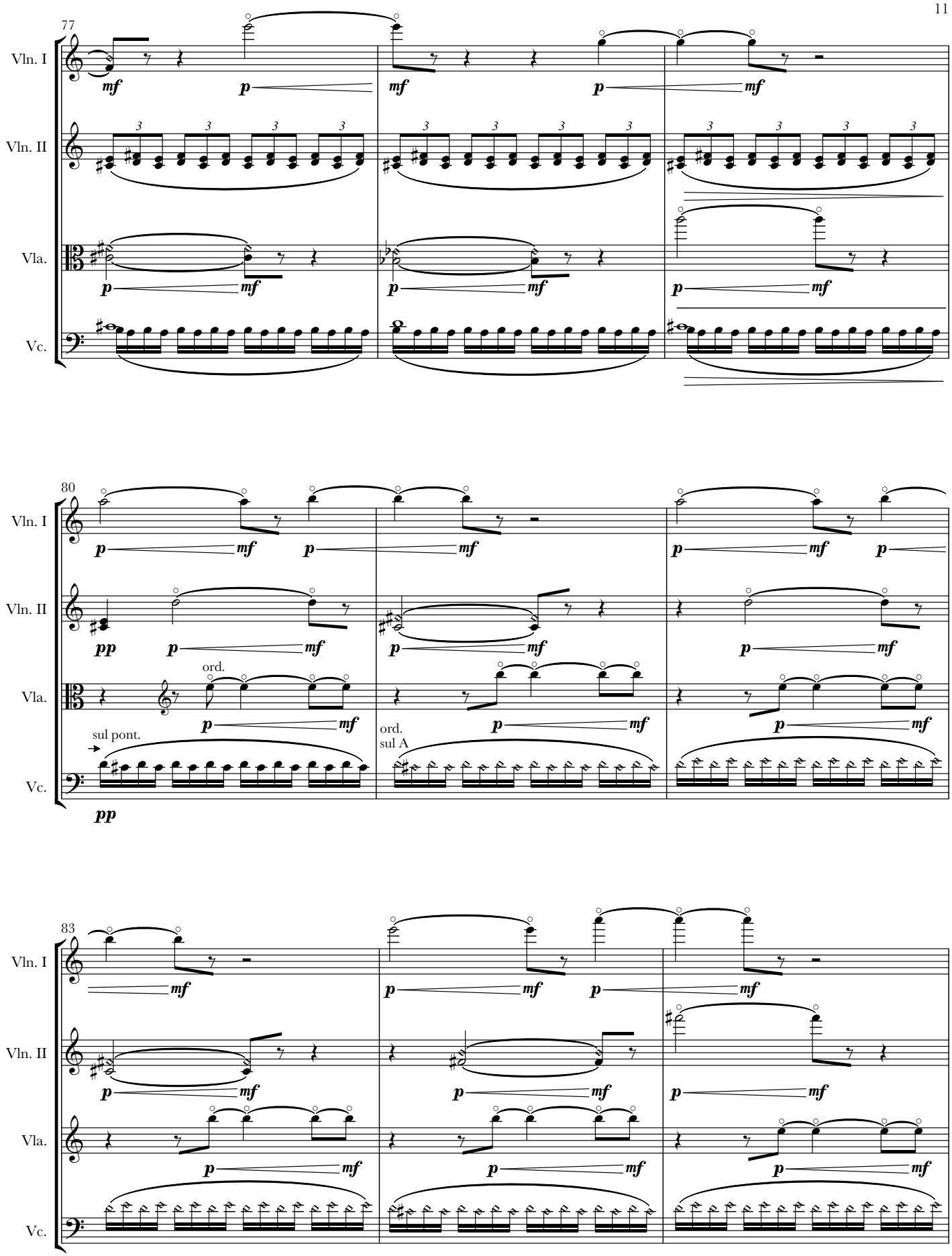
Vc.

ord.

mST

ord.

mST


77
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
80
ord.
sul pont.
ord.
sul A
83

86

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

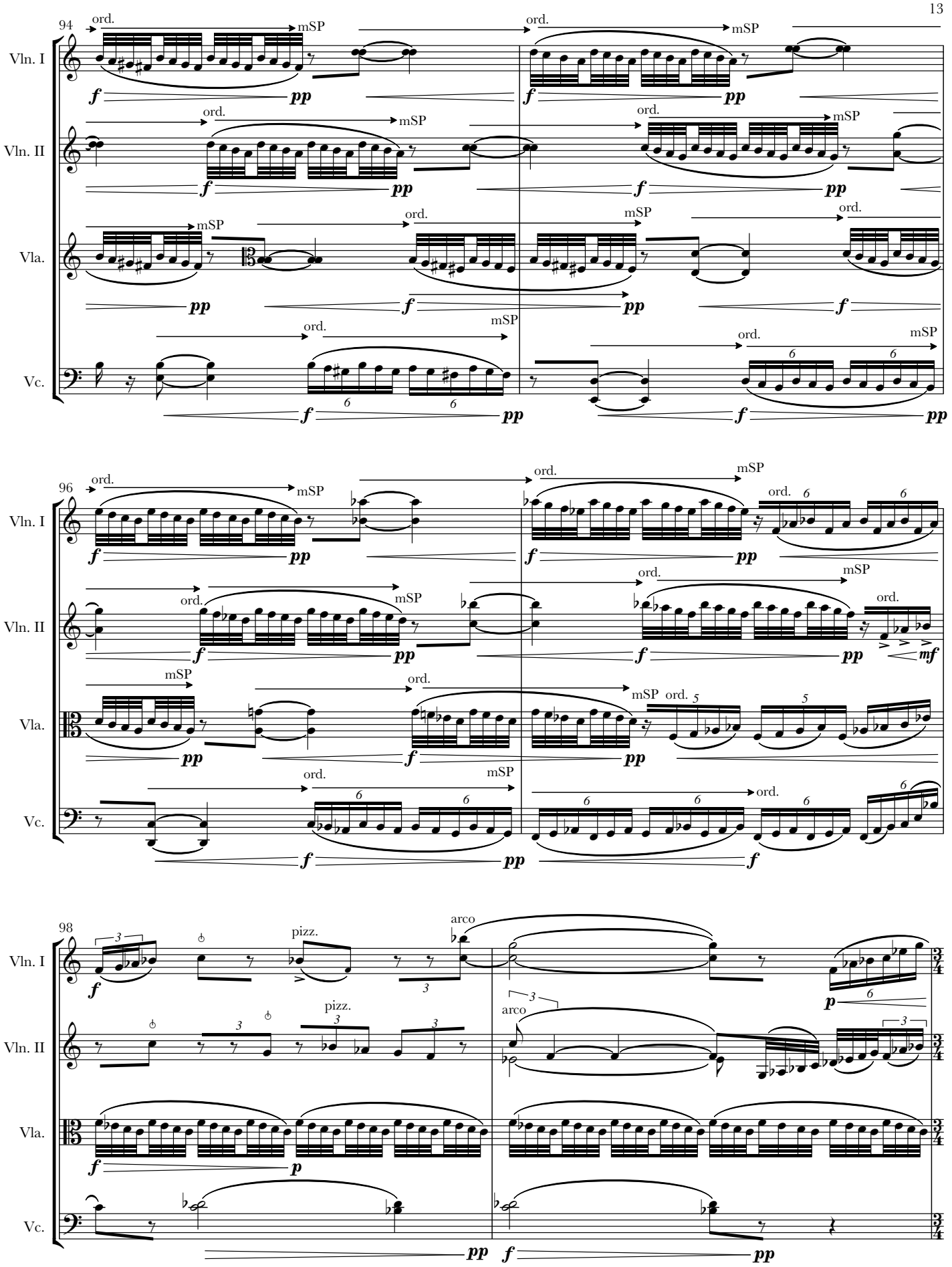
Vc.

sul A

89

92

mSP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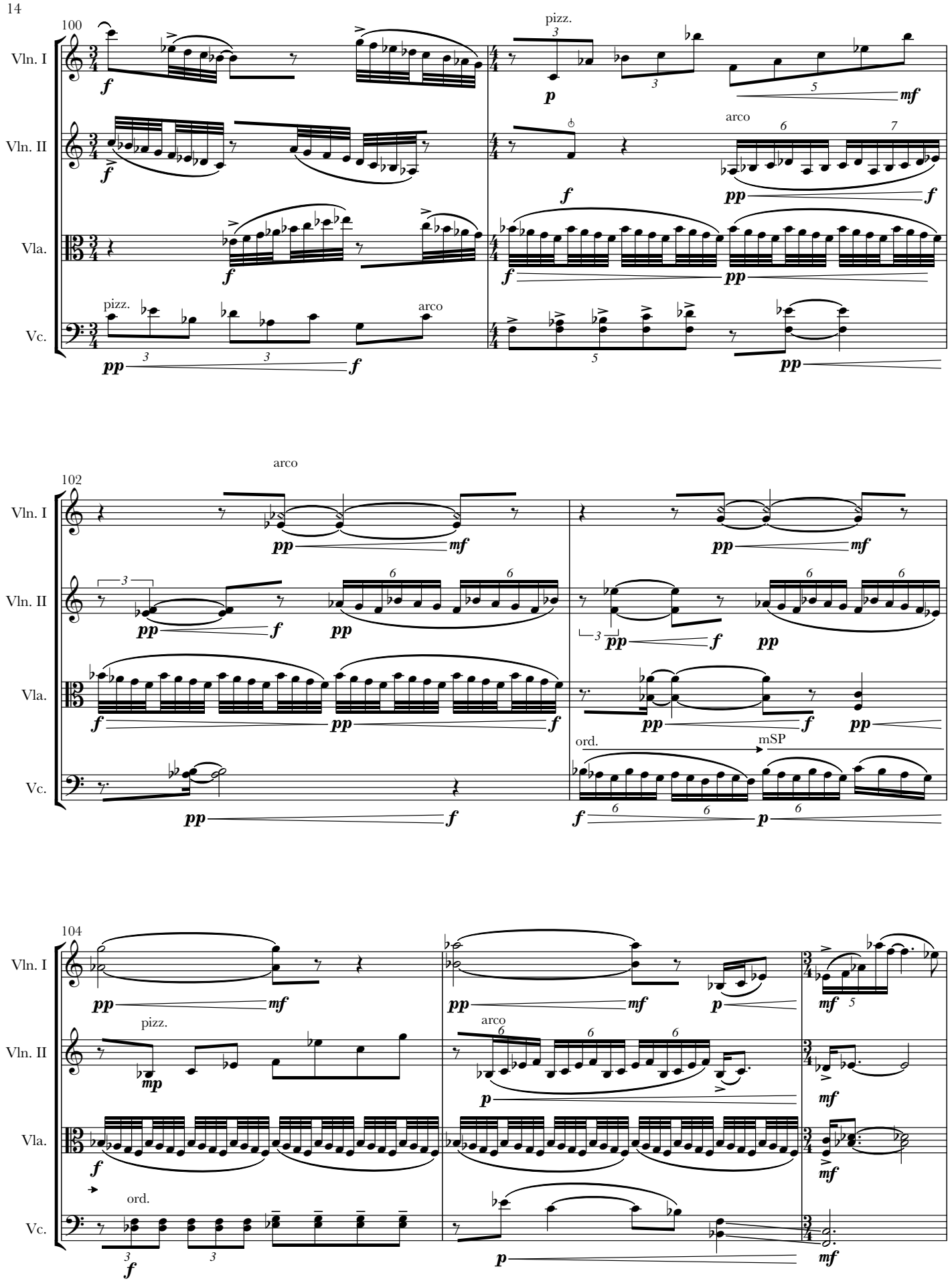
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
ord.
mSP
96
98
pizz.
arco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Vc.
pizz.
arco
102
ord.
mSP
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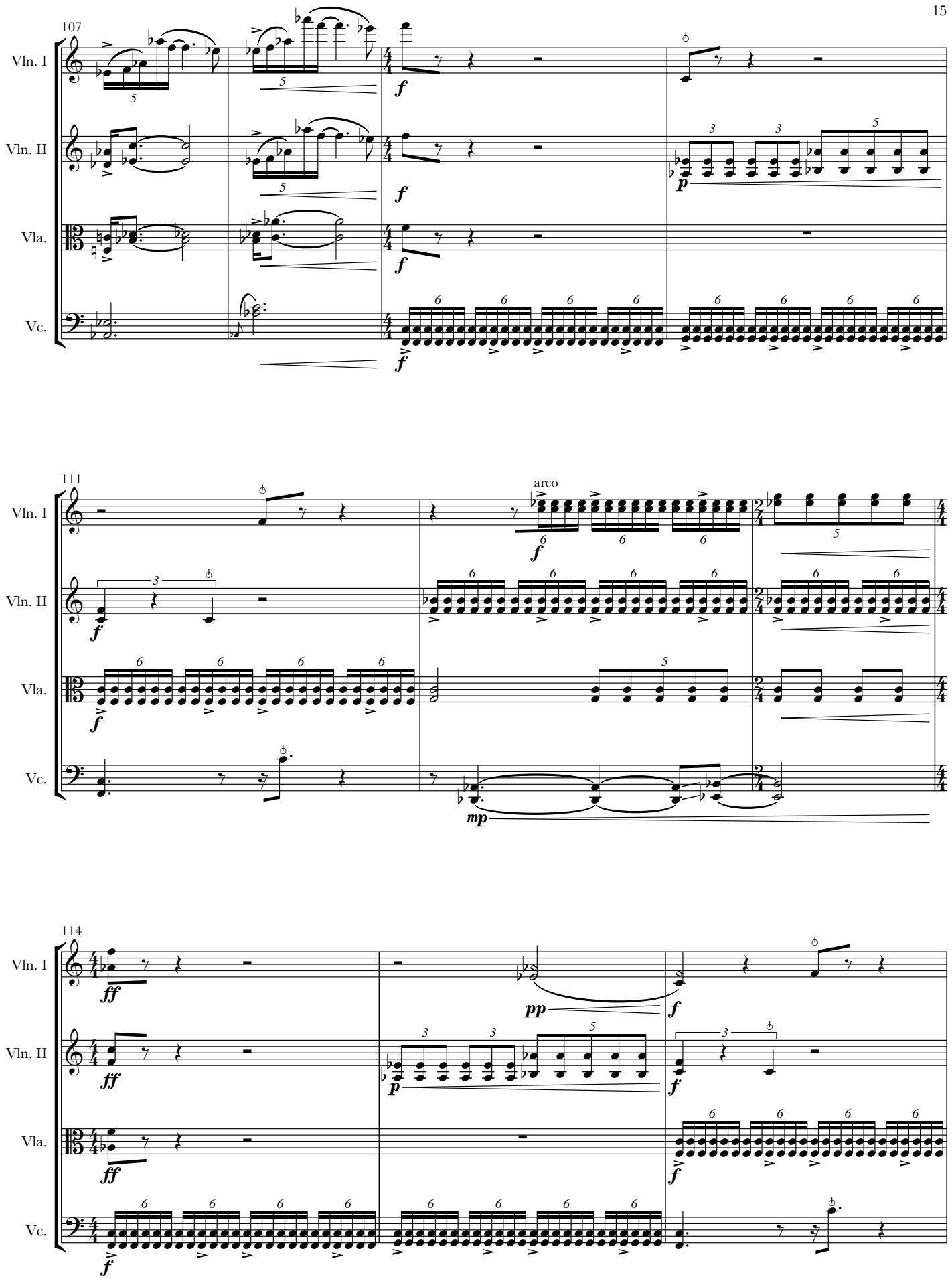
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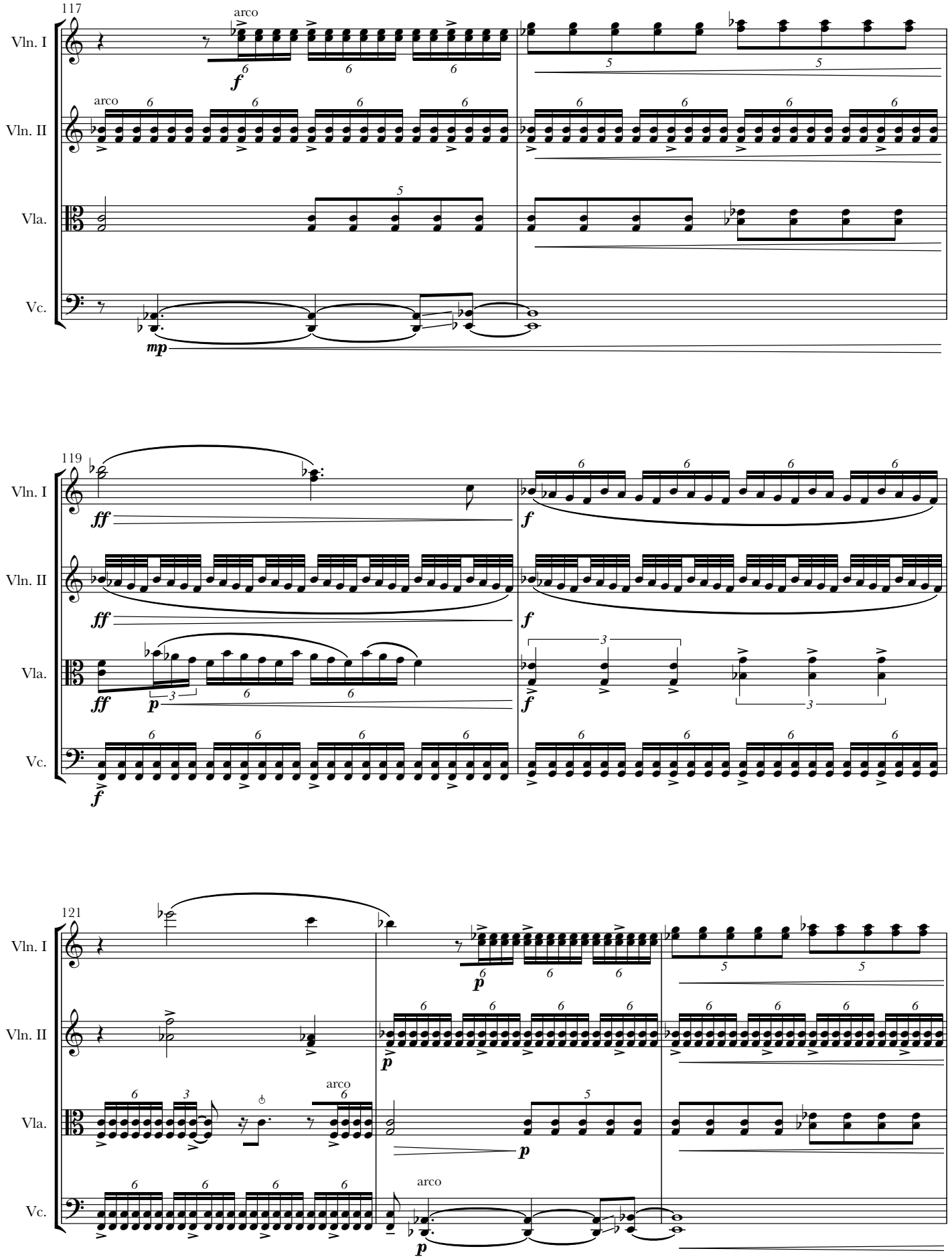
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
111
arco
114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Vln. I
arco
f
Vln. II
arco
Vla.
Vc.
mp
119
Vln. I
ff
f
Vln. II
ff
f
Vla.
ff
p
f
Vc.
f
121
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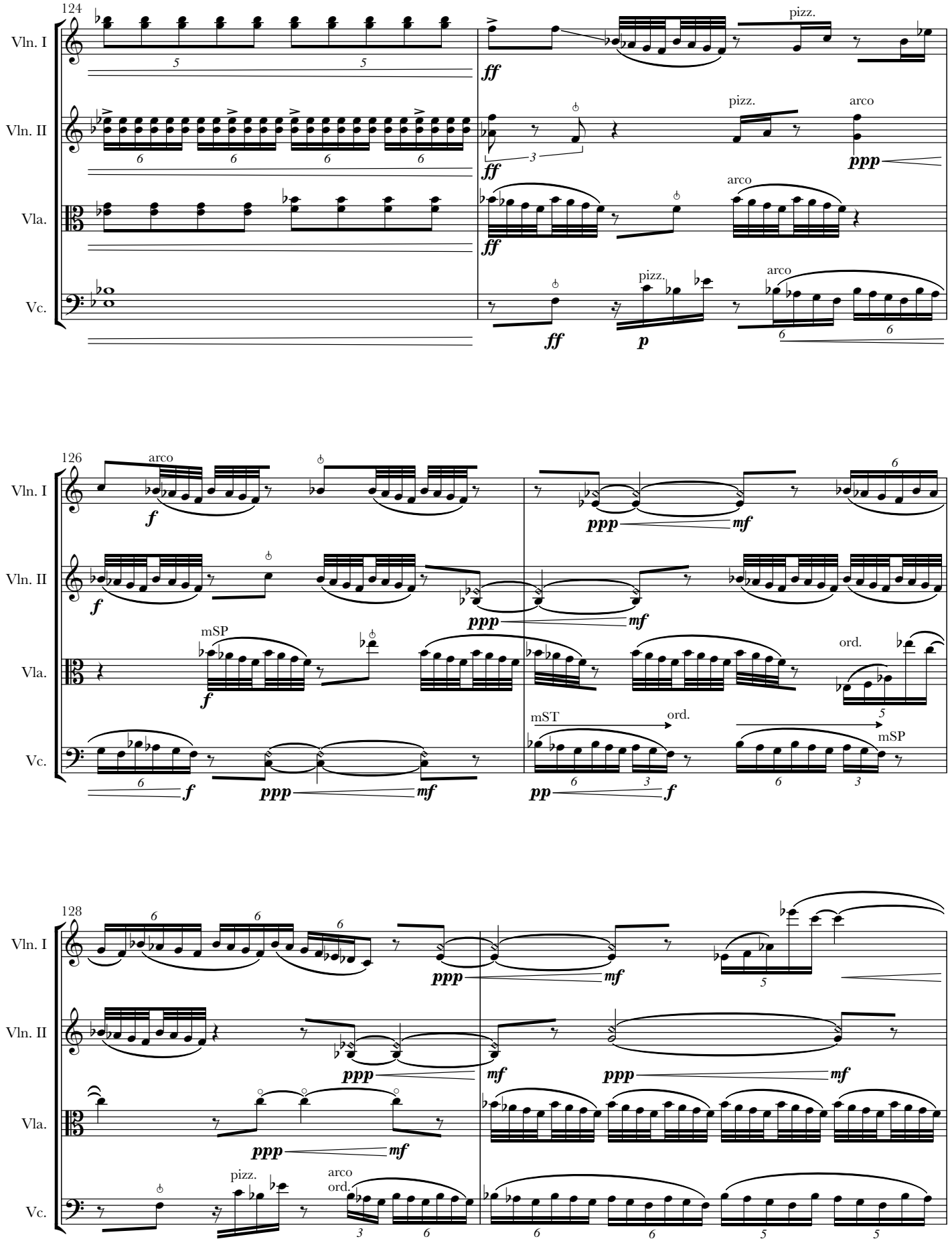
Vln. II
p
Vla.
arco
p
Vc.
arco
p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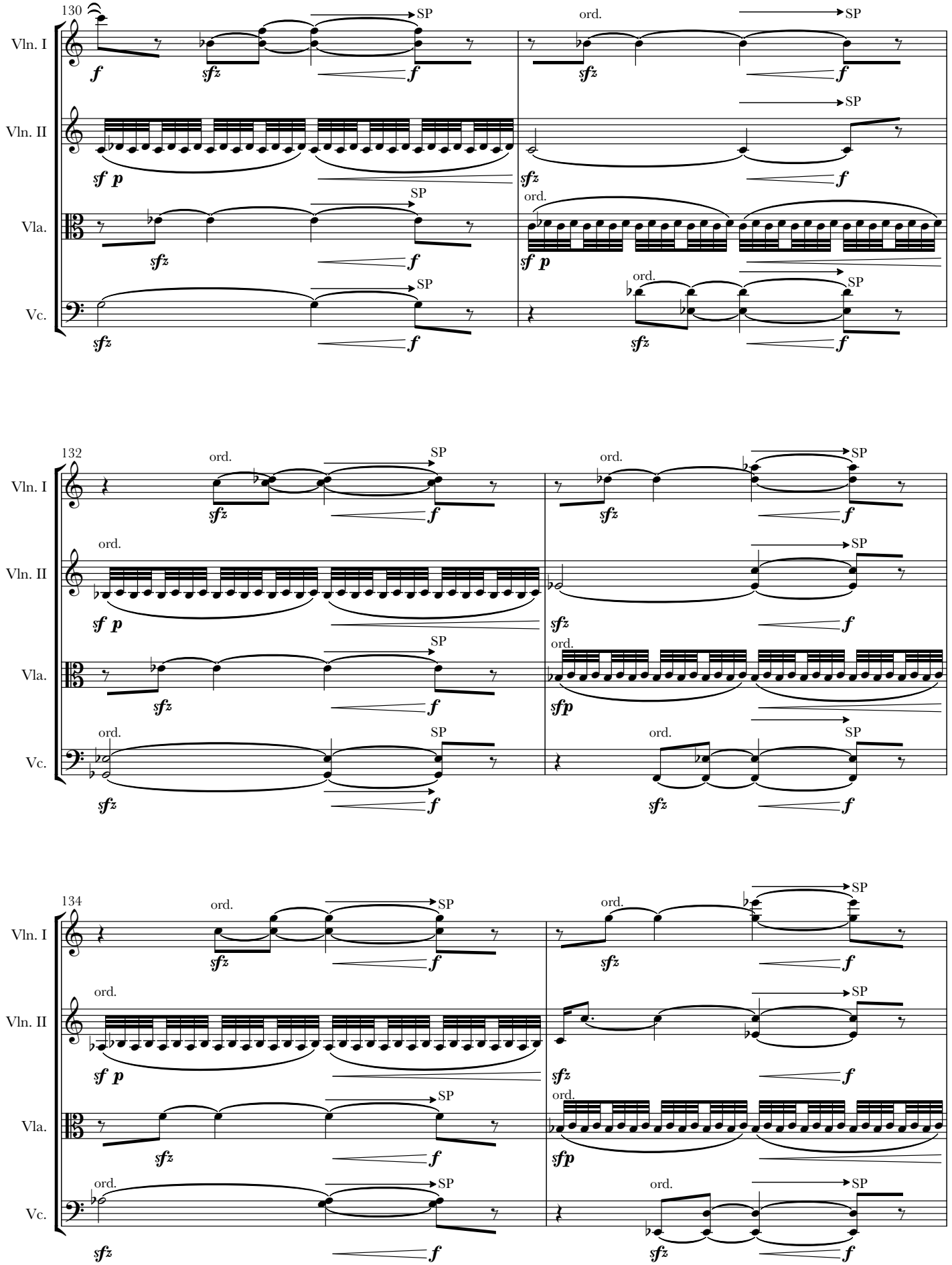
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
pizz.
arco
ff
ppp
p
126
mSP
ord.
mST
pp
f
mf
128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Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
SP
ord.
f
sfz
sf p
132
sfp
134

136

Vln. I — ord. — SP — sfz — f — ord. — SP — sfz — f

Vln. II — ord. — sf p — SP — sfz — f

Vla. — SP — sfz — f — ord. — sfp — f

Vc. — ord. — SP — sfz — f — ord. — SP — sfz — f

138

Vln. I — ord. — SP — sfz — f — ord. — sfz — f

Vln. II — ord. — sf p — SP — sfz — f

Vla. — SP — sfz — f — ord. — sf p

Vc. — ord. — SP — sfz — f — ord. — sfz — f

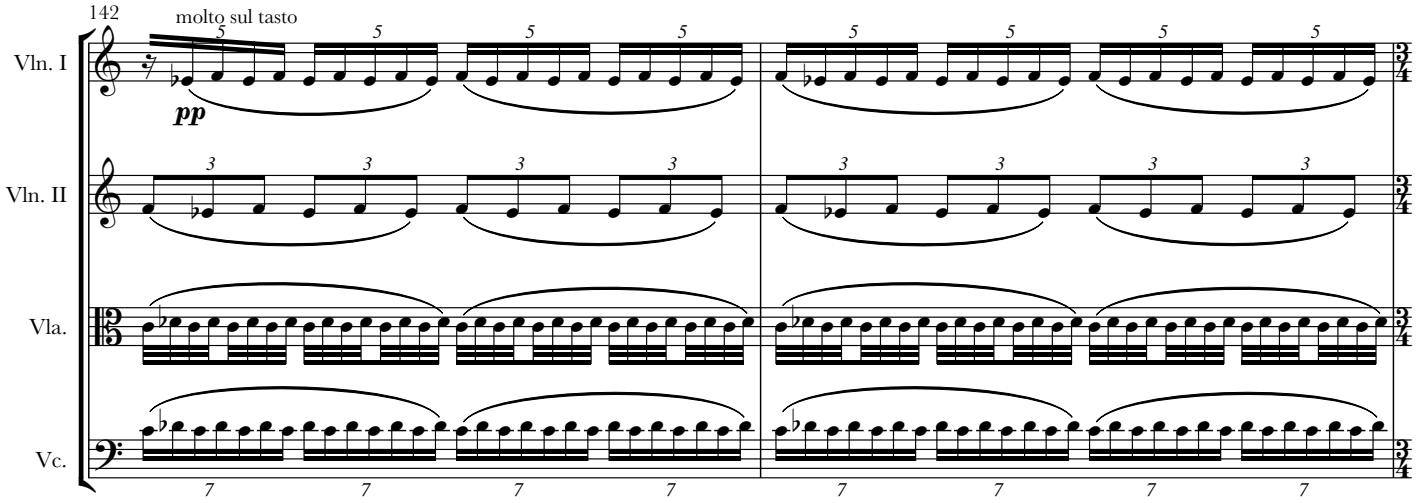
140

Vln. II — molto sul tasto — 3 — 3 — pp

Vla. — f p — molto sul tasto

Vc.

Vc. — molto sul tasto — pp — 7 — 7 — 7 — 7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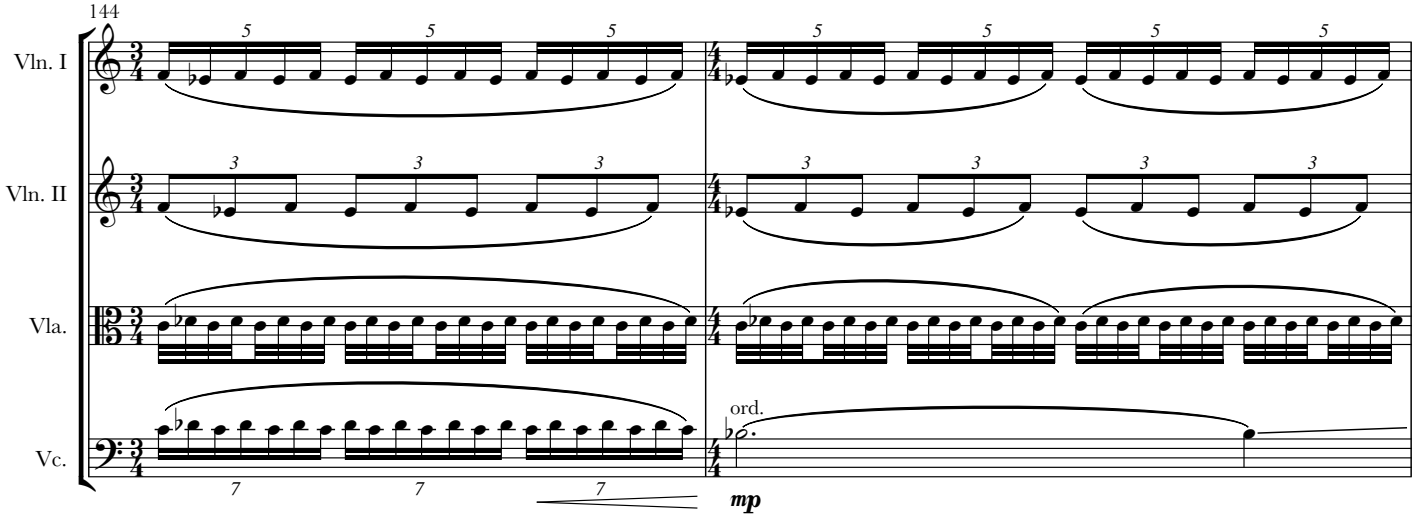
molto sul tasto
Vln. I
pp
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.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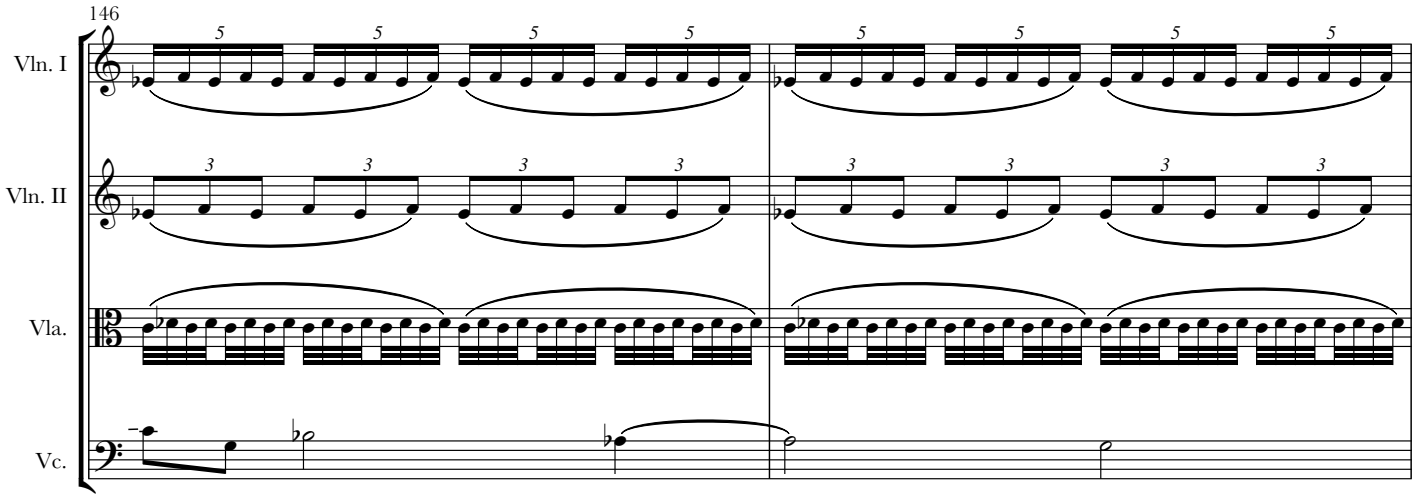
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
ord.
mp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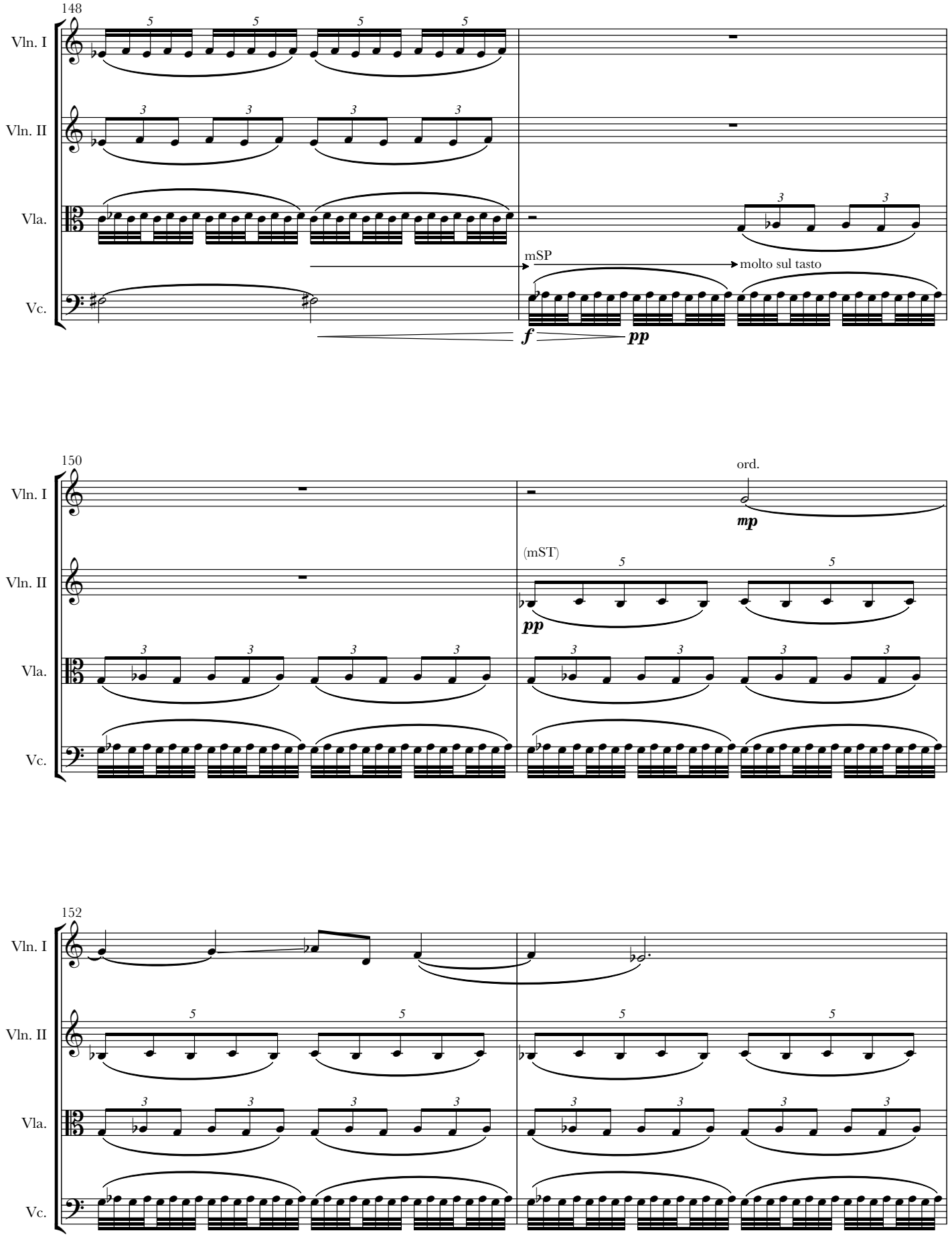
148
Vln. I
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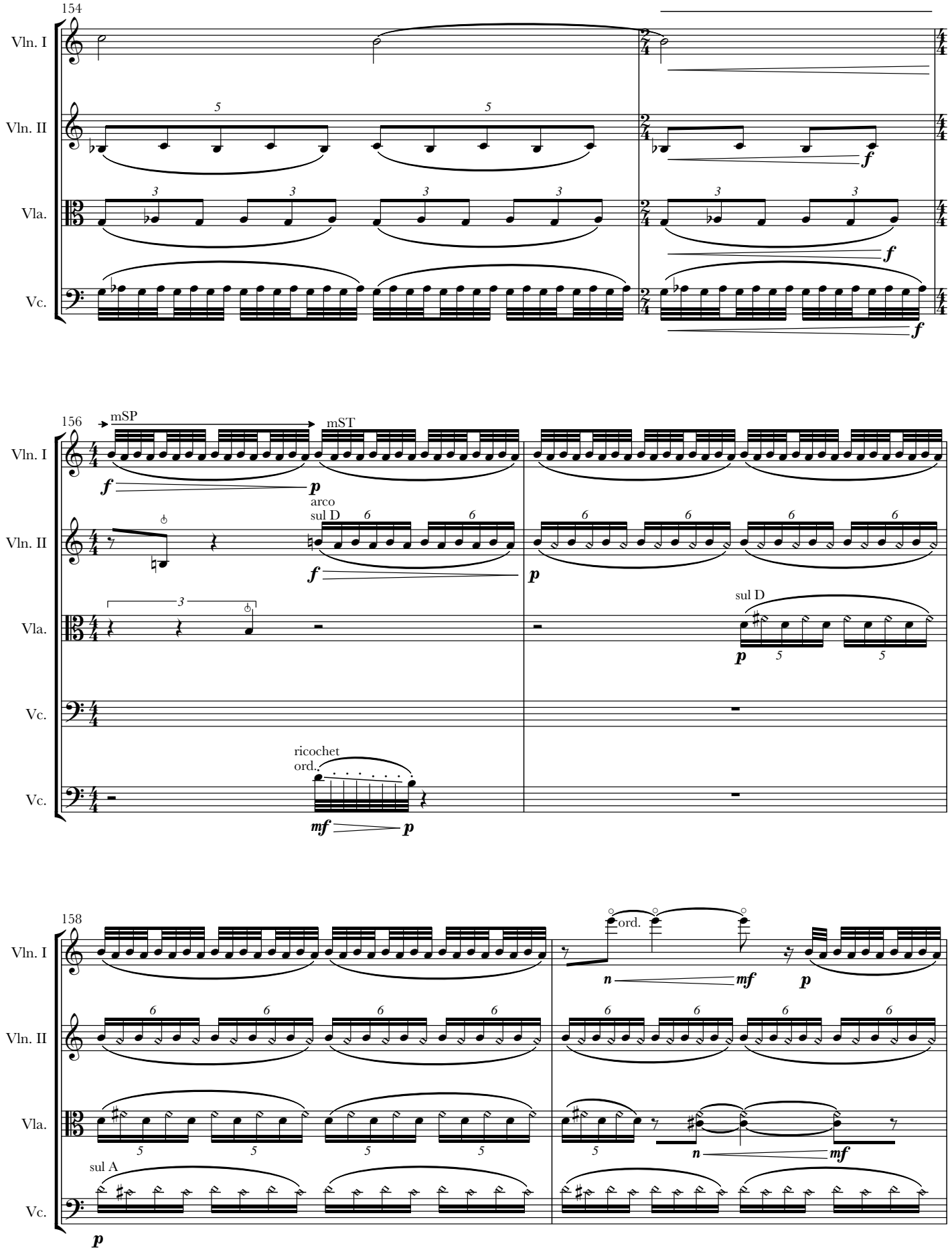
Vla.
Vc.
mSP
molto sul tasto
f
pp
150
ord.
mp
(mST)
pp
152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Vln. I
Vln. II
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Vc.
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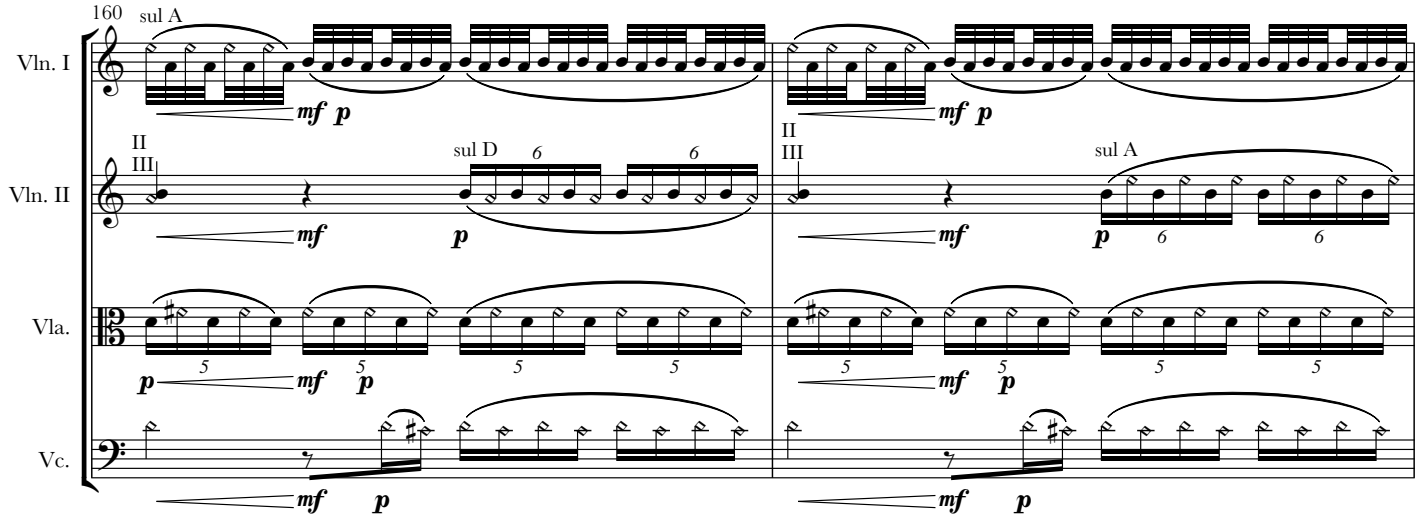
mST
arco
sul D
sul D
ricochet
ord.
158
ord.
sul A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II
III
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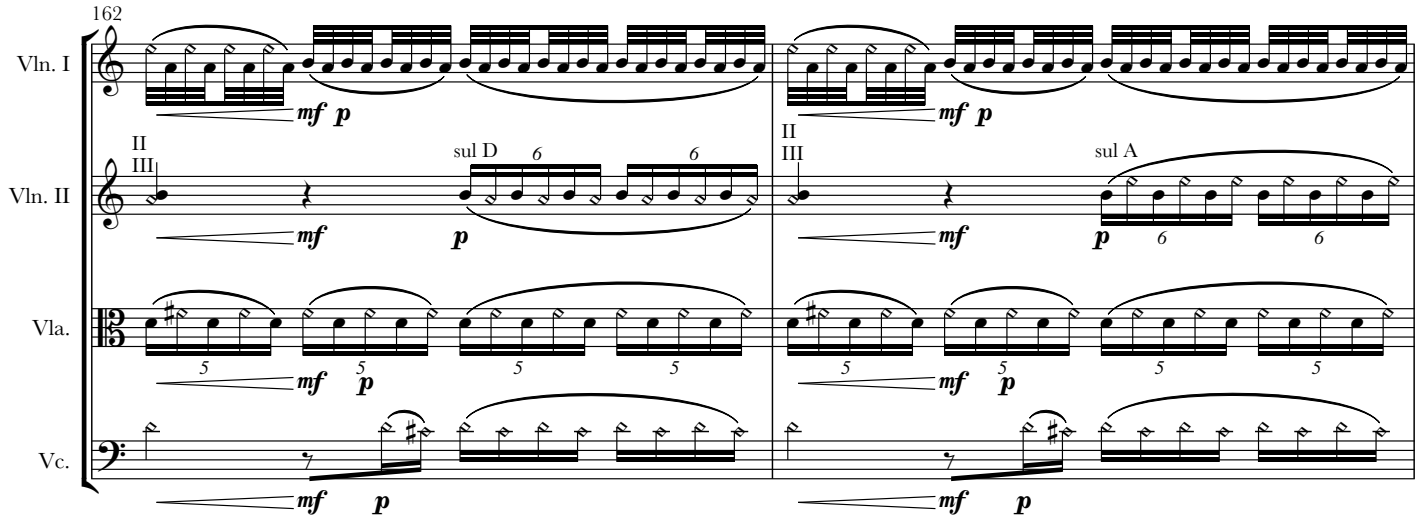
mf
p
Vla.
Vc.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II
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Vln. II
mf
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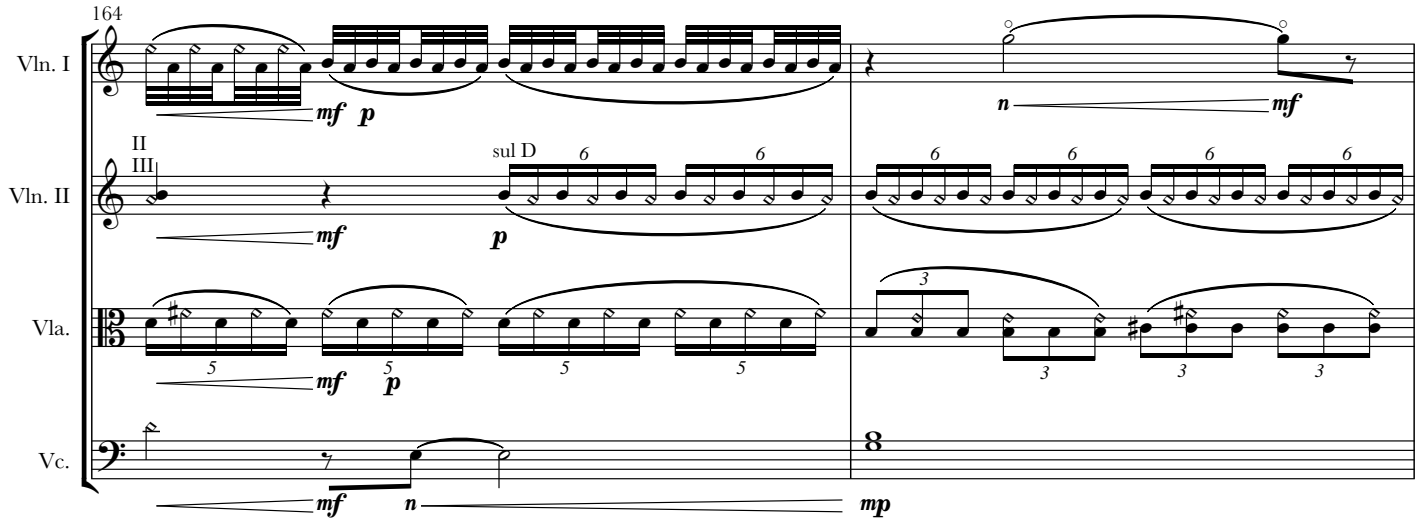
sul A
Vla.
Vc.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n
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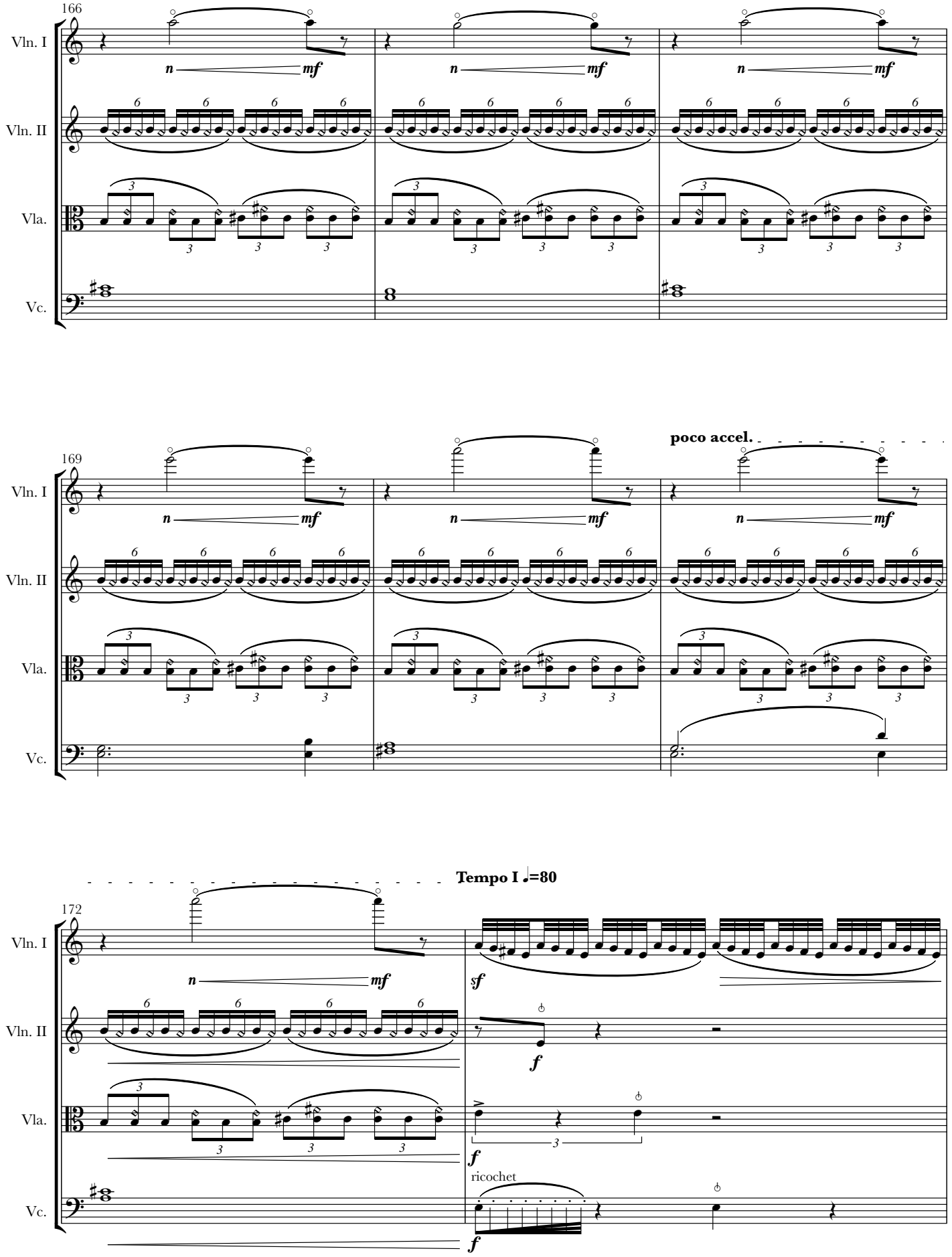
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Tempo I ♩=80
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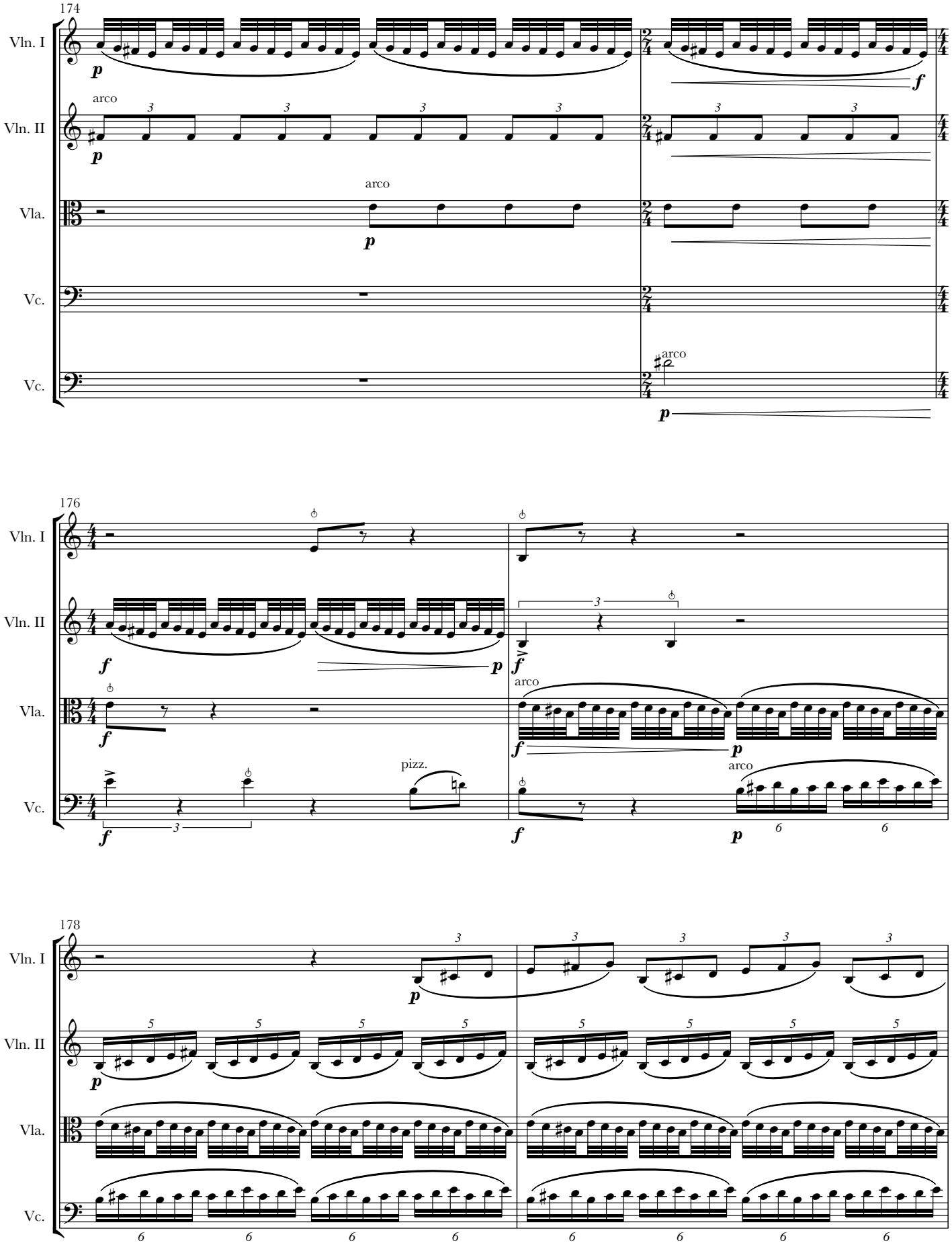
f
ricochet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Vln. I
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arco
Vla.
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Vc.
Vc.
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pizz.
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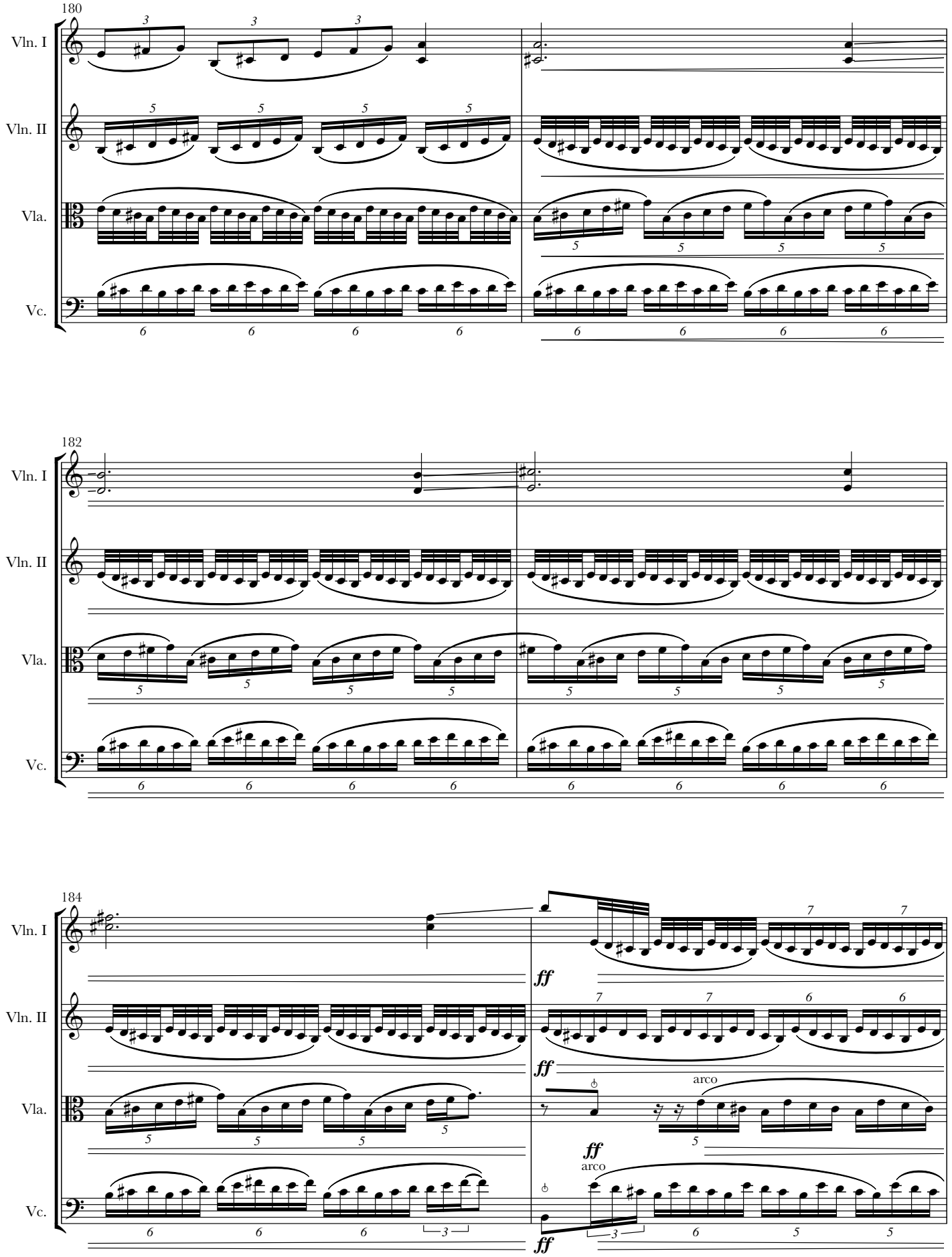
Vla.
Vc.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Vln. II
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Vc.
ff
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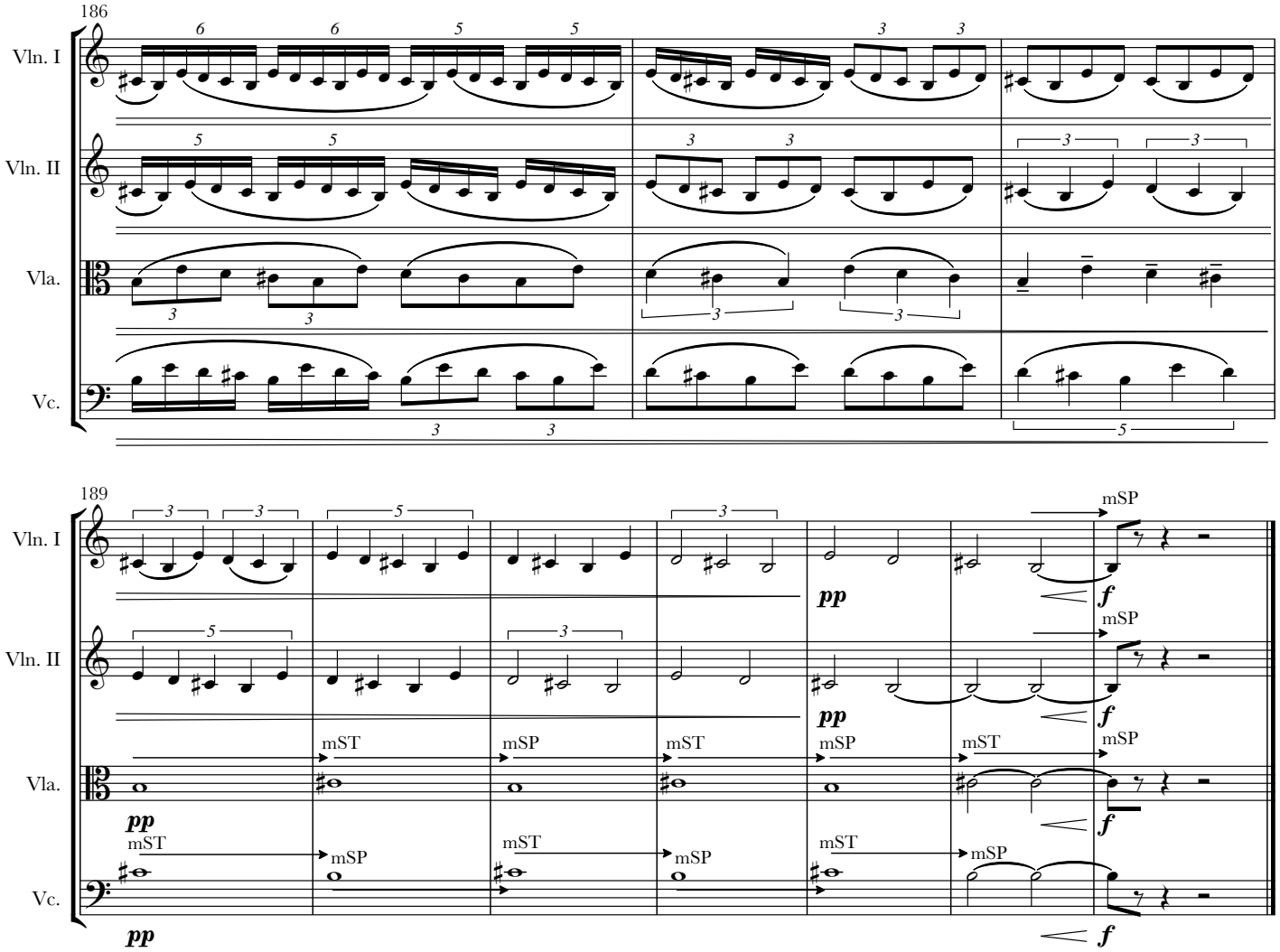
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Vln. I
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mSP
mST
pp
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