A SONG OF DARKNESS AND LIGHT

AN ODE

by

Robert Bridges

SET TO MUSIC FOR

Soprano solo, Chorus and Orchestra

by

C. Hubert H. Parry

Violin I

Composed for the Three Choirs Festival (Gloucester) - September 15, 1898

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Changes in the International copyright laws in the mid-1970's played a pivotal role in creating this void, opening a significant number of musical compositions to public access. As a result, music publishers lost the ability to generate revenue from the sale/rental of such music. Performance score inventories of these works were eliminated. In addition, for many compositions, the only published material were vocal scores - full scores and orchestra parts were hand notated for the premiere of a work and then were 'recycled' for future performances. While full score autograph manuscripts are now accessible through the major music libraries in the UK, the hand-notated parts have long since been lost. These autograph full score manuscripts along with copies of the published vocal scores are now the only resources available for studying and performing these works.

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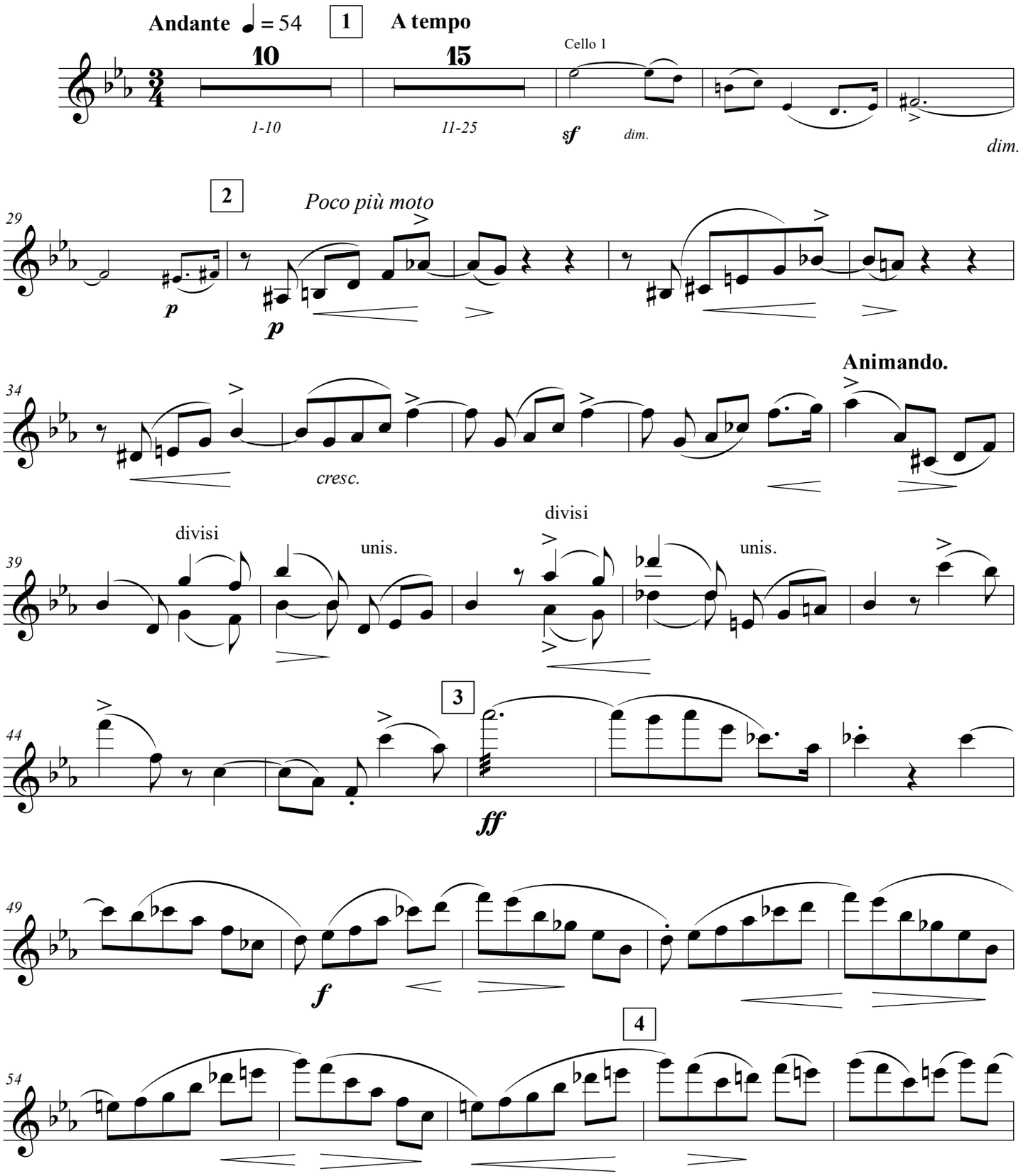

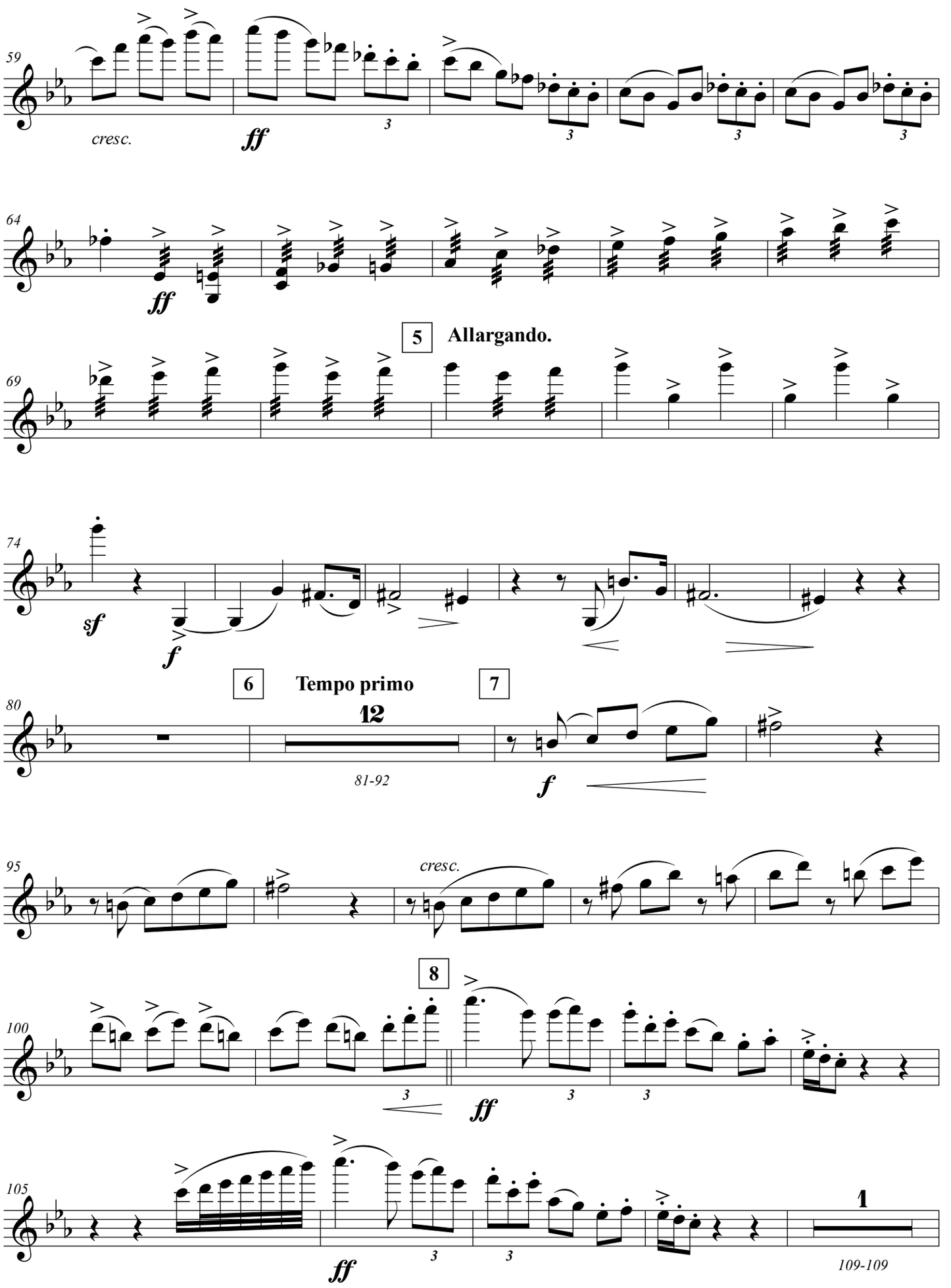
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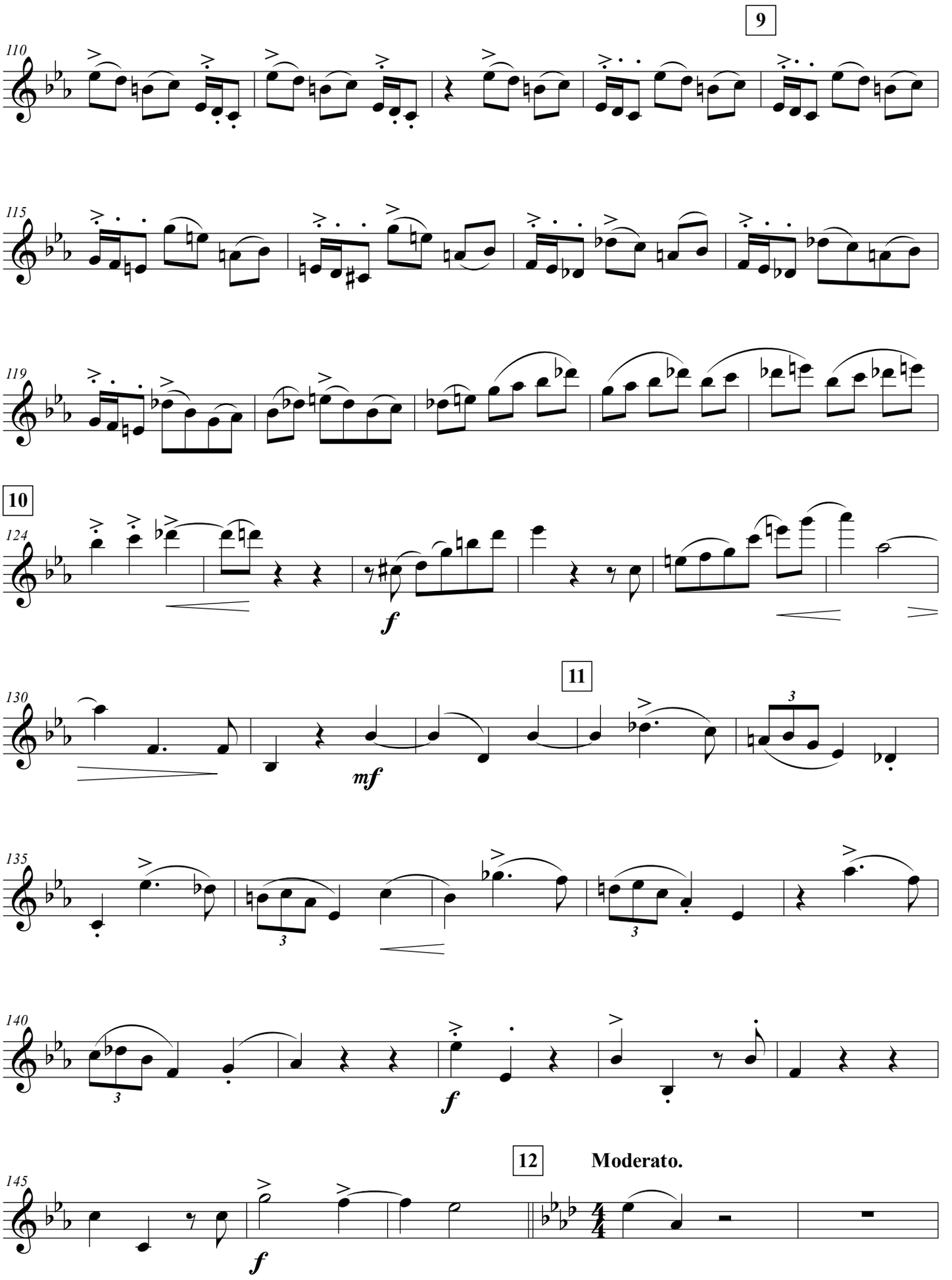
cresc.
ff
64
ff
5
Allargando.
69
74
sf
f
6
Tempo primo
7
80
12
81-92
f
95
cresc.
8
100
ff
105
ff
1
109-109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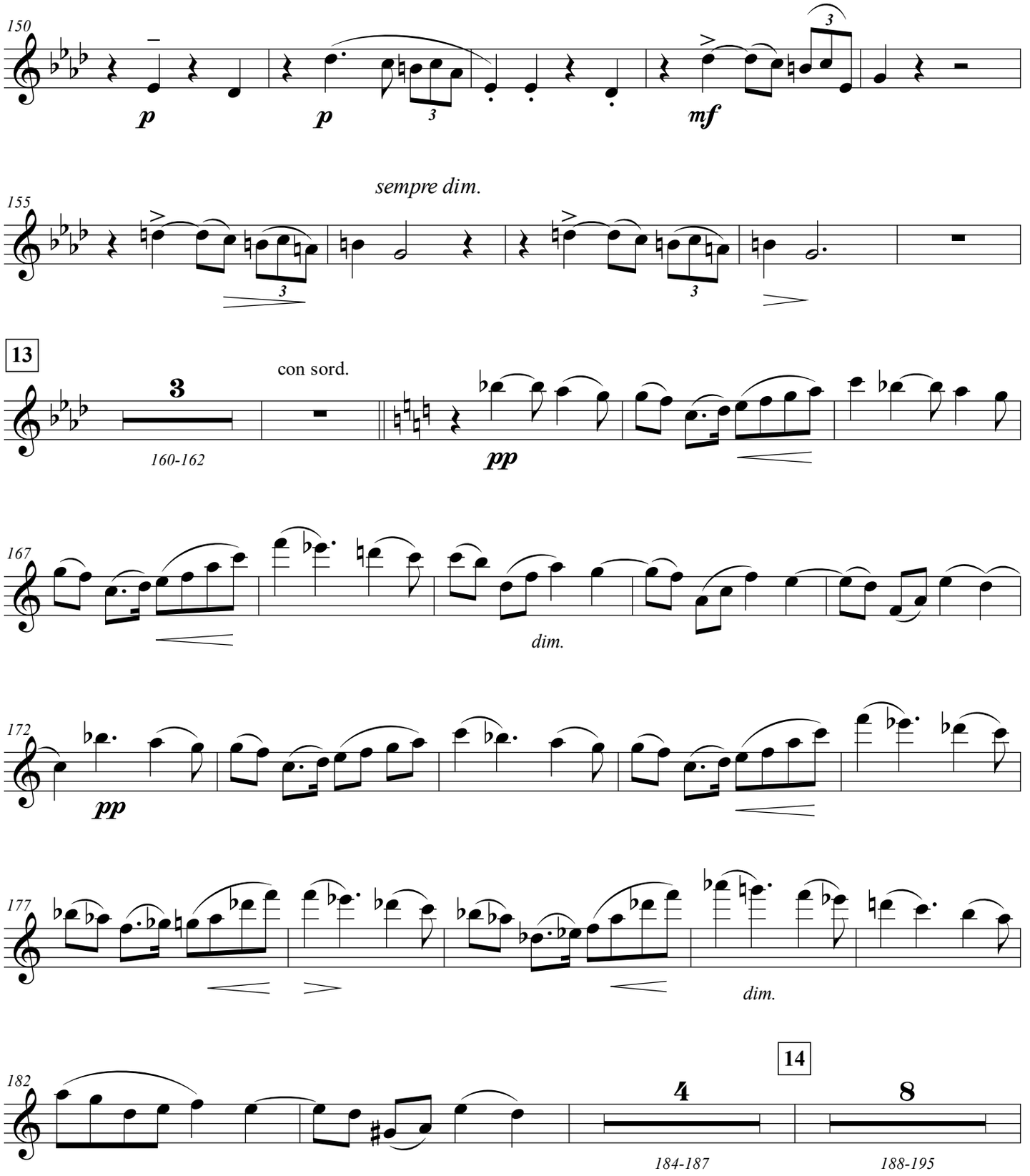
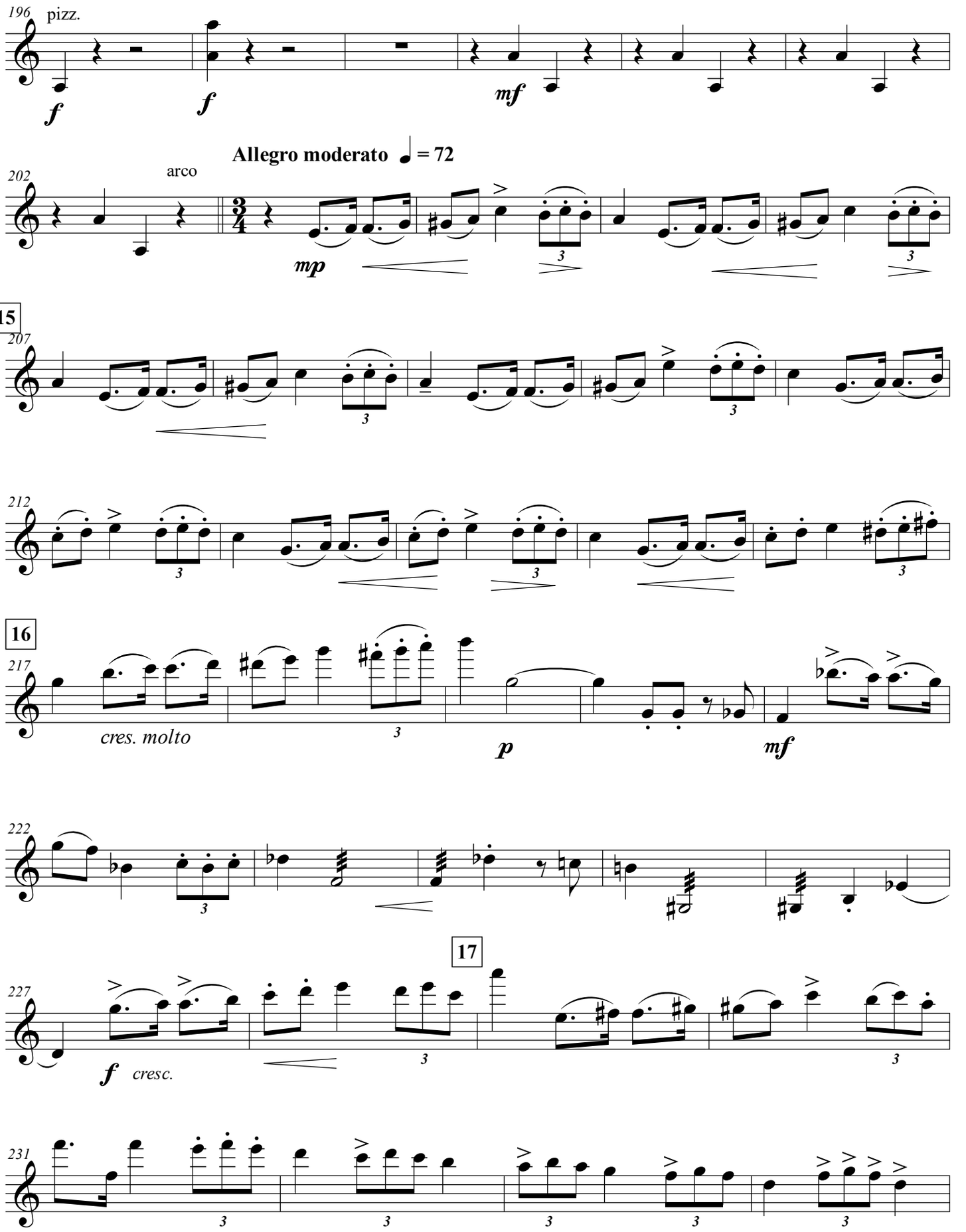
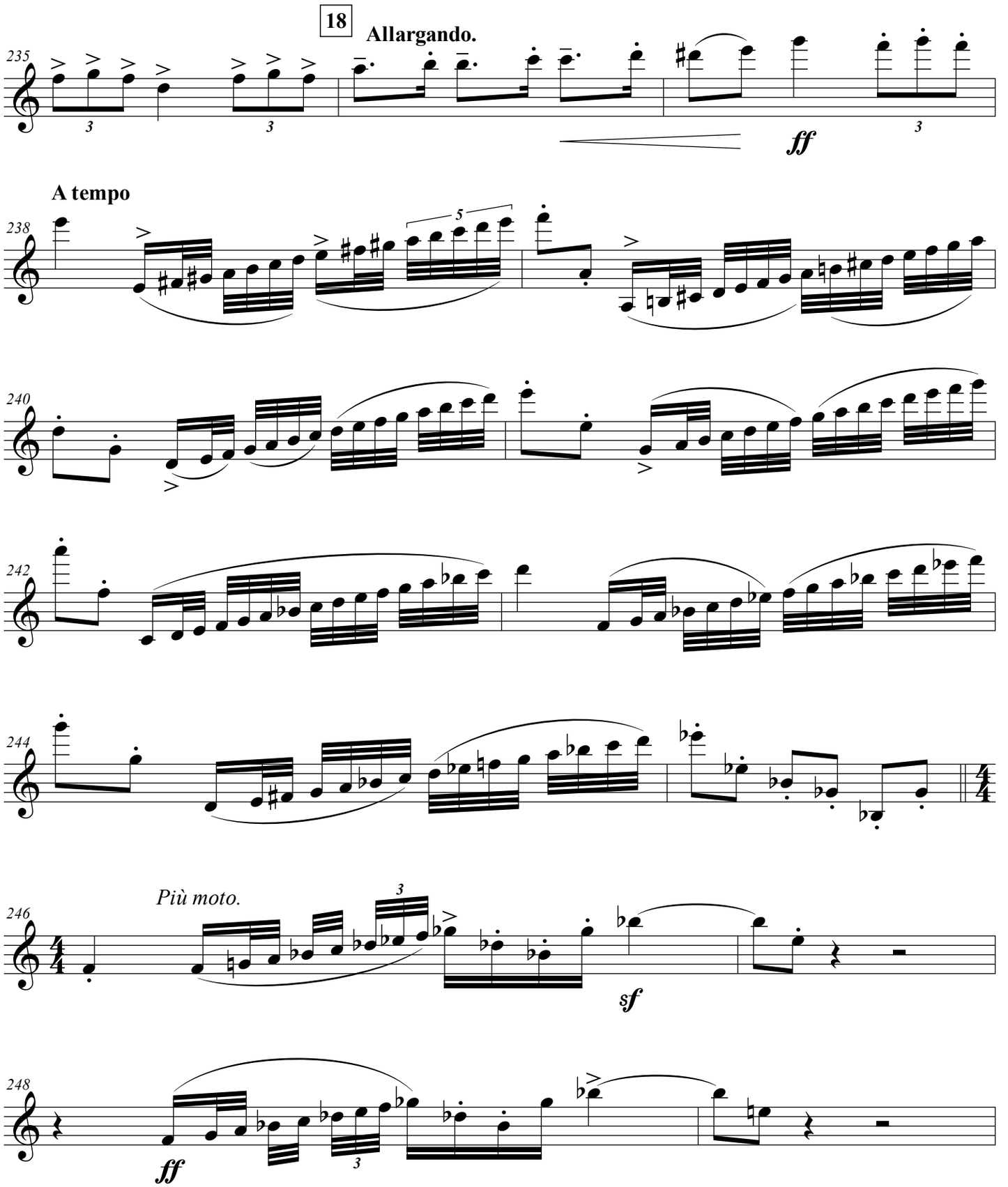
110
115
119
10
124
f
11
130
mf
135
3
140
f
12
Moderato.
145
f


150
p
p
mf
sempre dim.
155
13
con sord.
160-162
pp
167
dim.
172
pp
177
dim.
14
182
184-187
188-195


196
pizz.
f
f
mf
Allegro moderato ♩ = 72
202
arco
mp
15
207
212
16
217
cres. molto
p
mf
222
17
227
f
cresc.
231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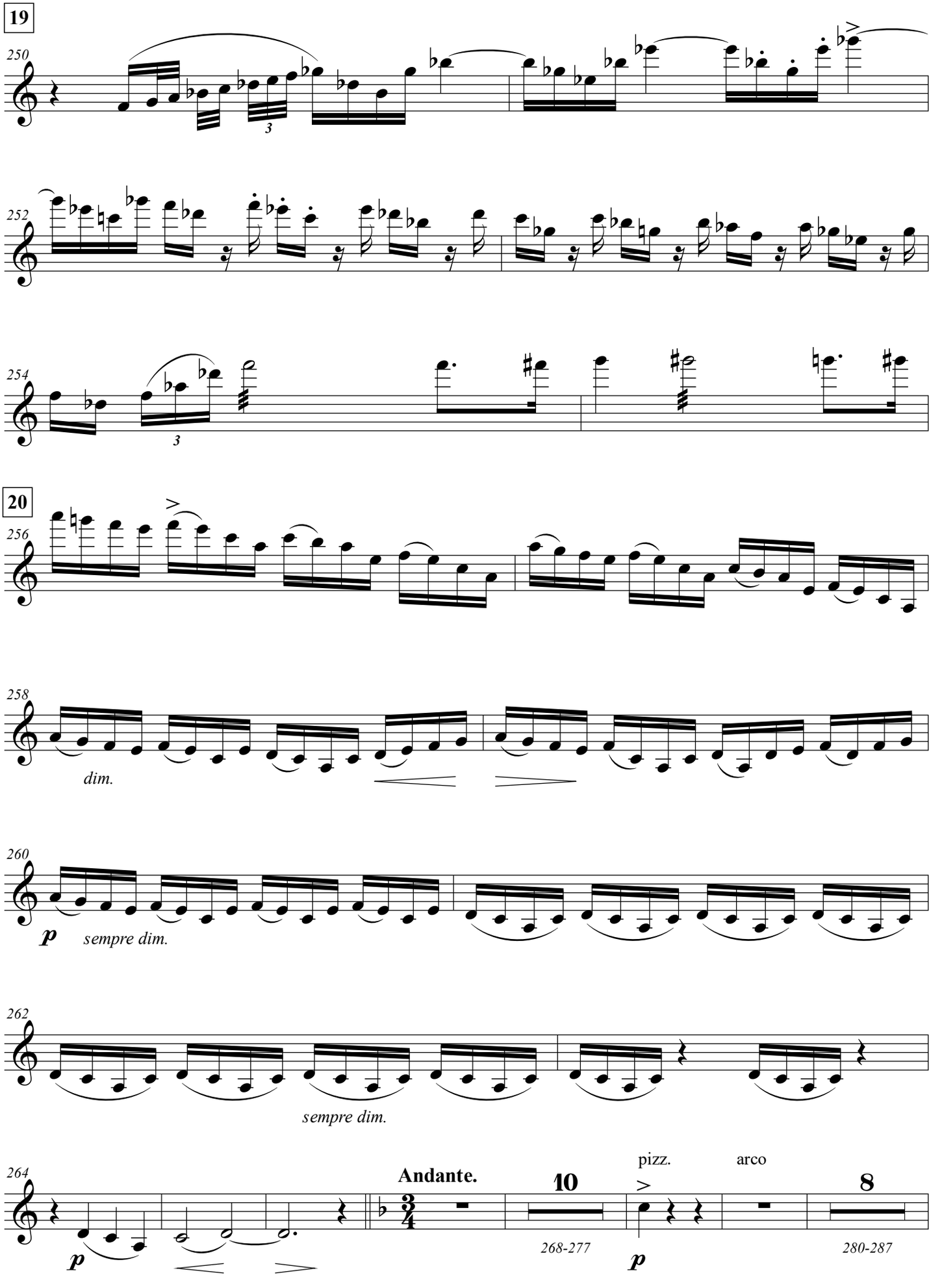
Allargando.
235
ff
A tempo
238
240
242
244
Più moto.
246
sf
248
ff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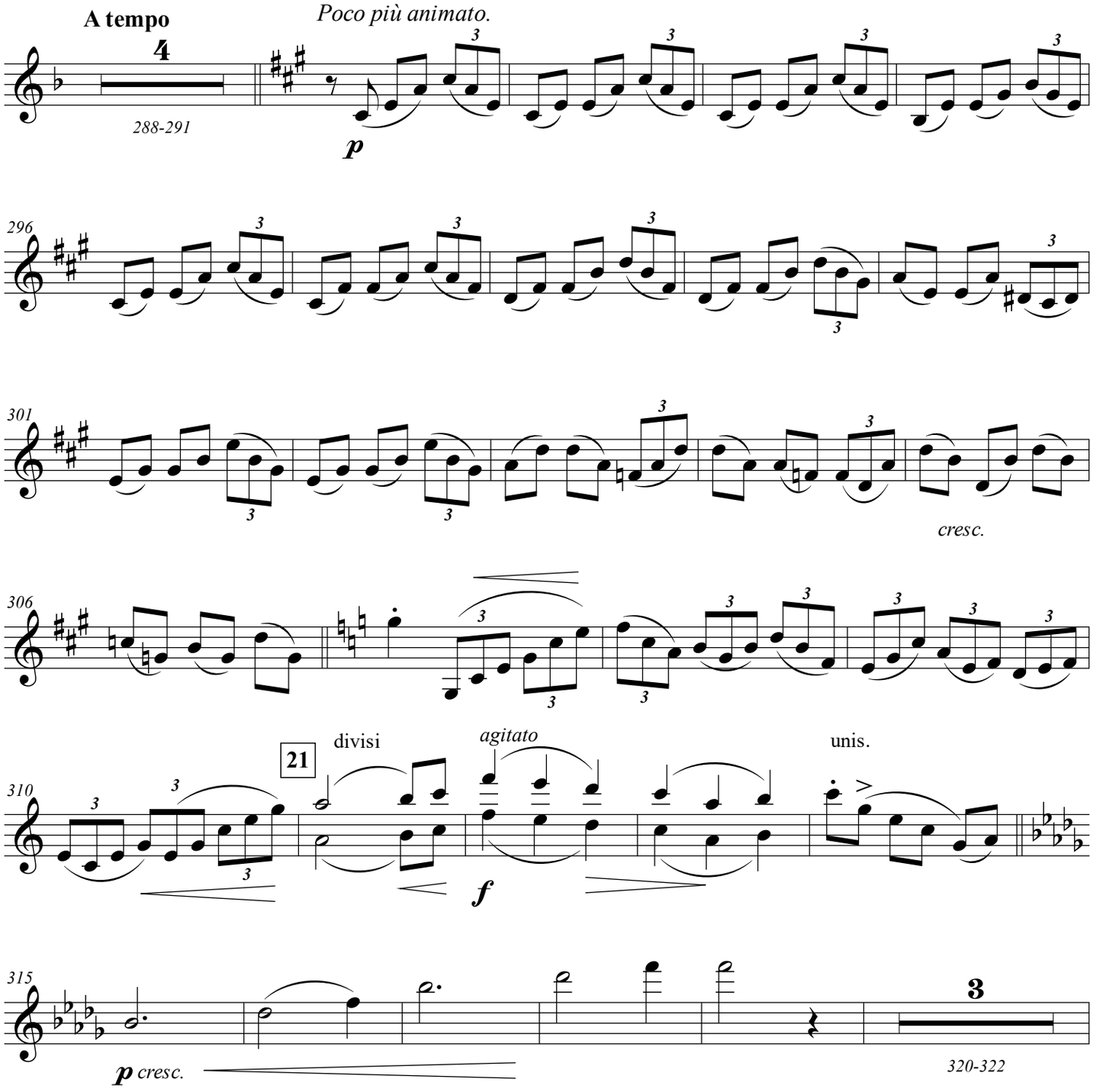
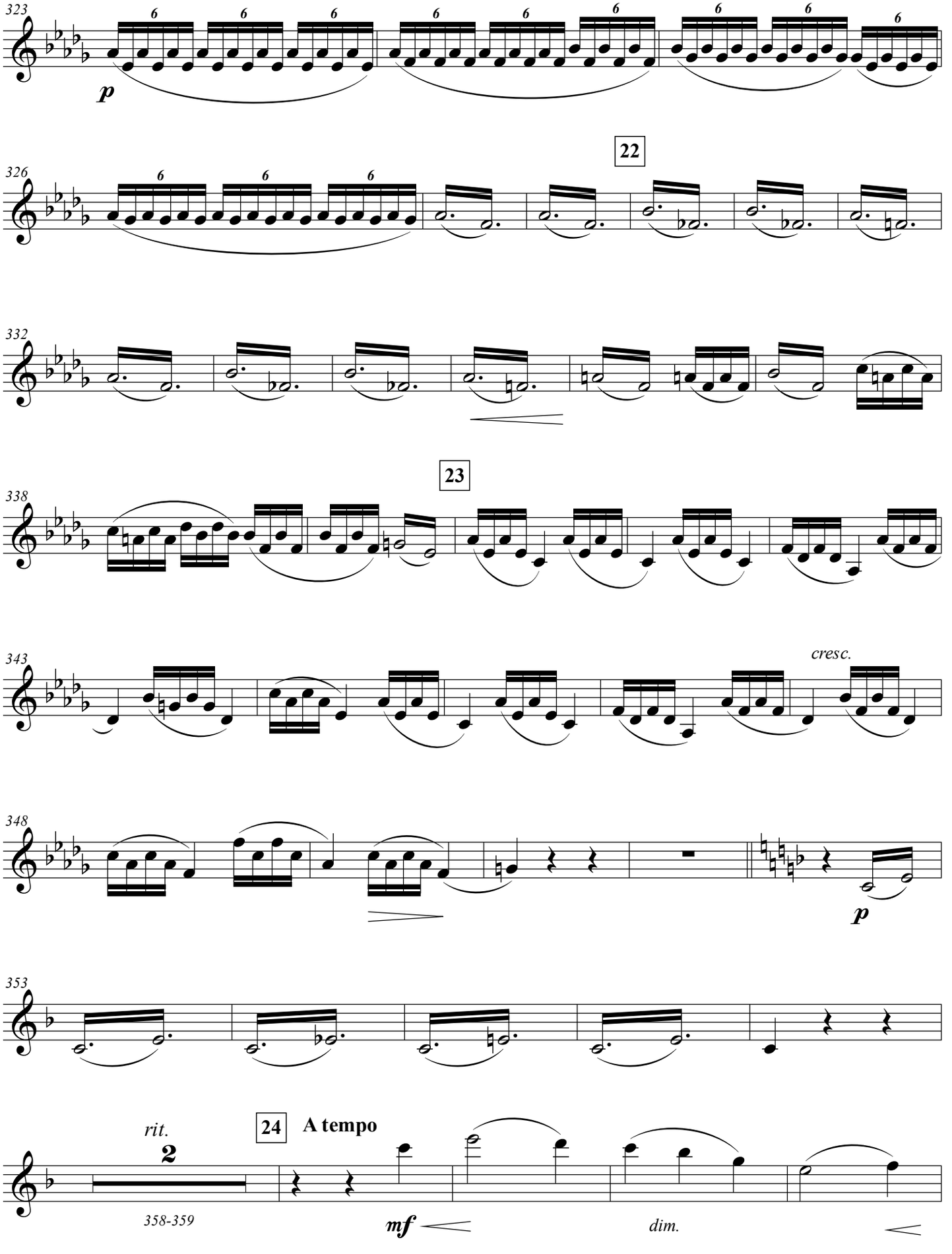
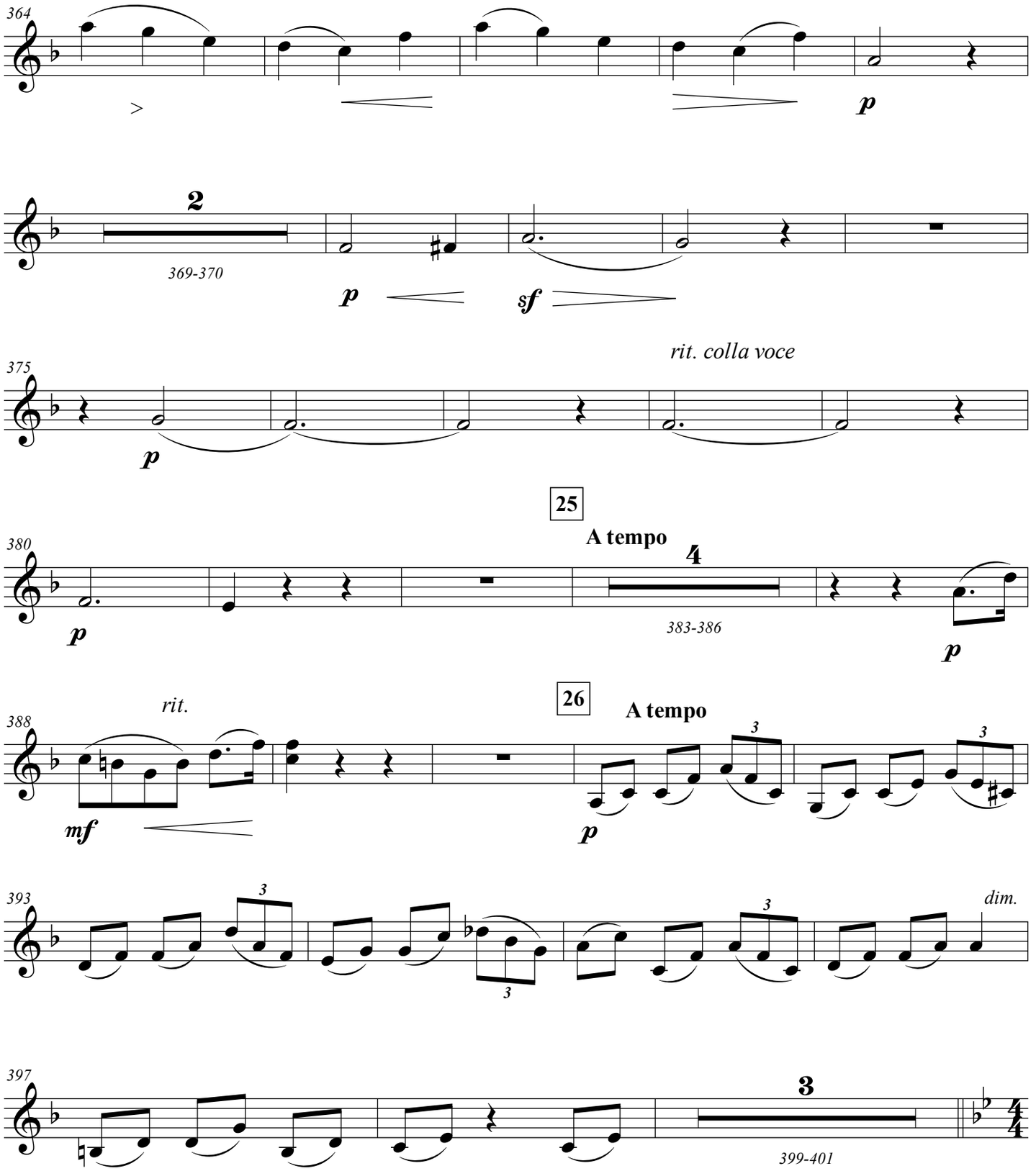
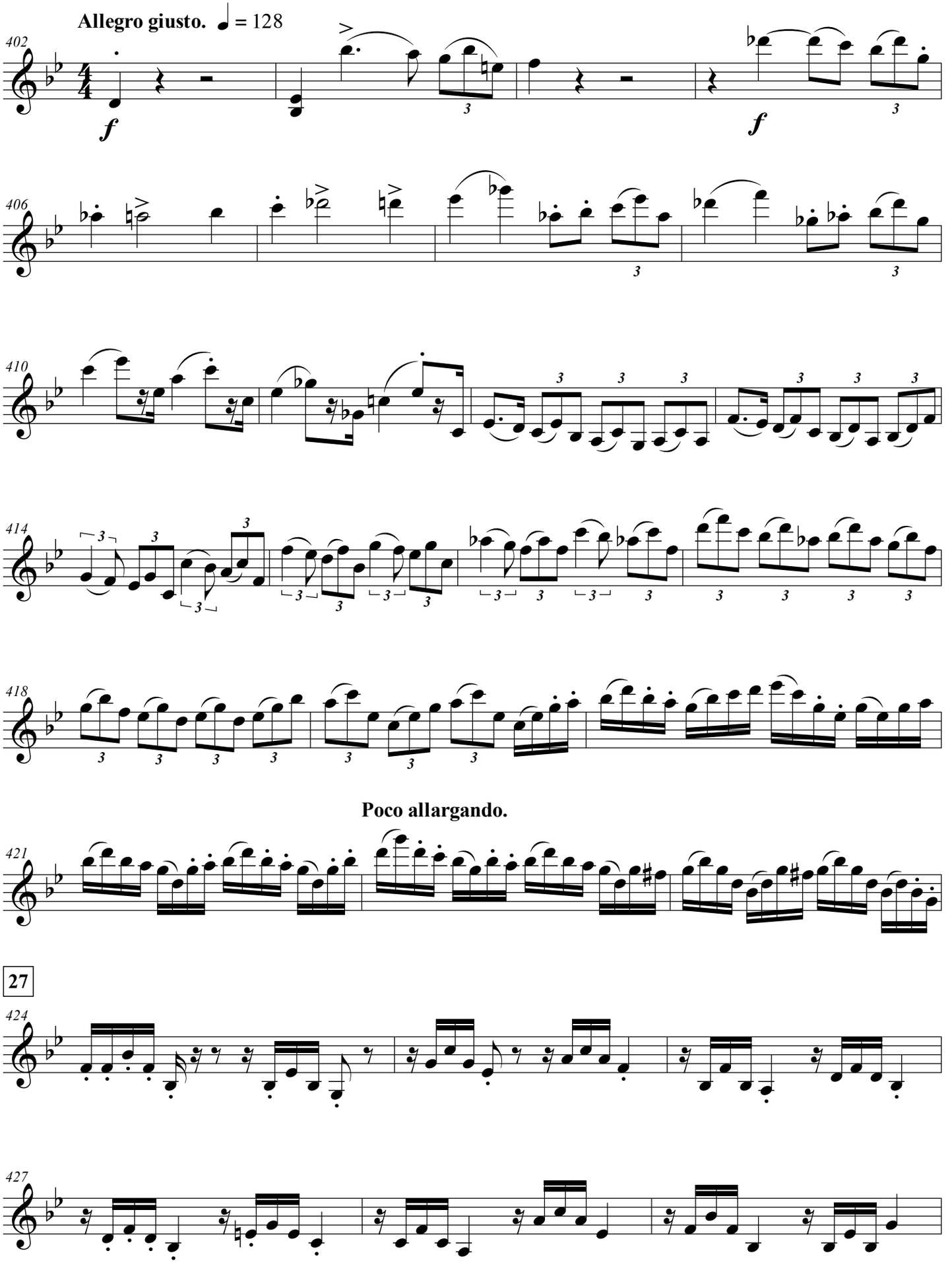
250
3
252
254
3
20
256
258
dim.
260
p
sempre dim.
262
sempre dim.
264
p
Andante.
10
268-277
pizz.
arco
p
8
280-287


A tempo
4
288-291
Poco più animato.
p
296
301
cresc.
306
21
divisi
agitato
unis.
310
f
315
p cresc.
3
320-322


323
p
22
326
332
23
338
343
cresc.
348
p
353
rit.
2
24
A tempo
358-359
mf
dim.


364
2
369-370
375
rit. colla voce
25
A tempo
380
4
383-386
26
A tempo
388
rit.
393
dim.
397
3
399-401


Allegro giusto. ♩ = 128
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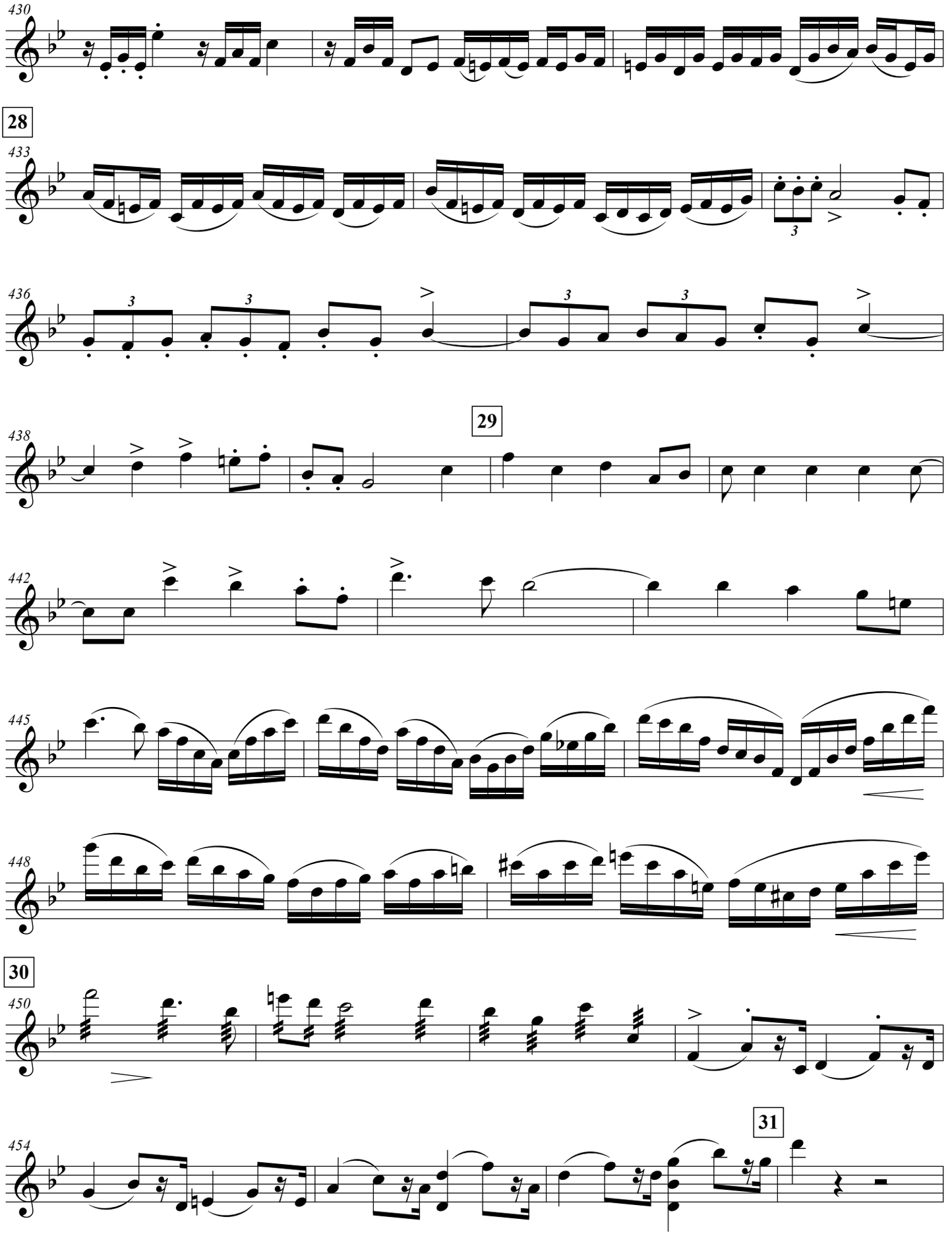
f
f
406
410
414
418
Poco allargando.
421
27
424
427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448
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454
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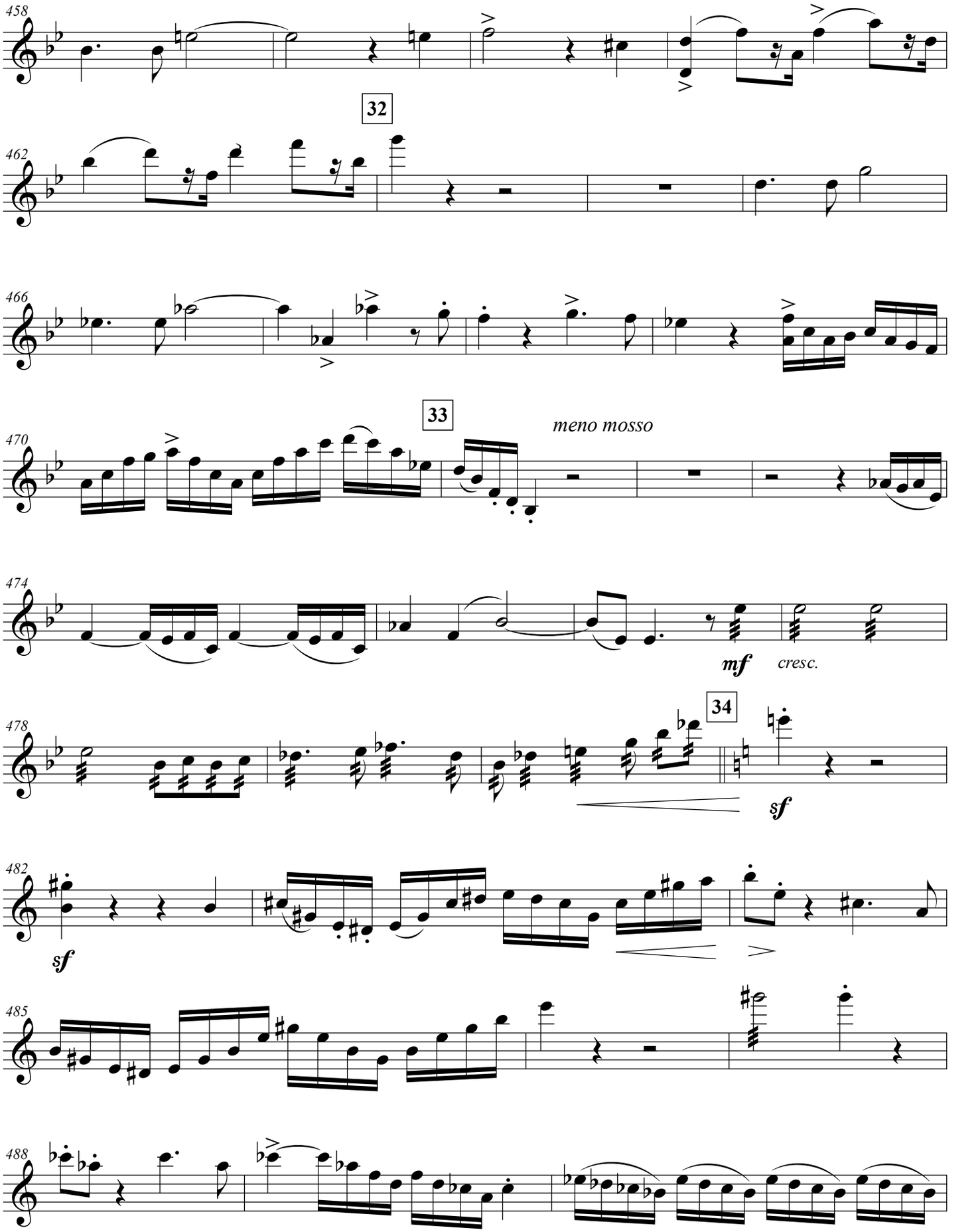
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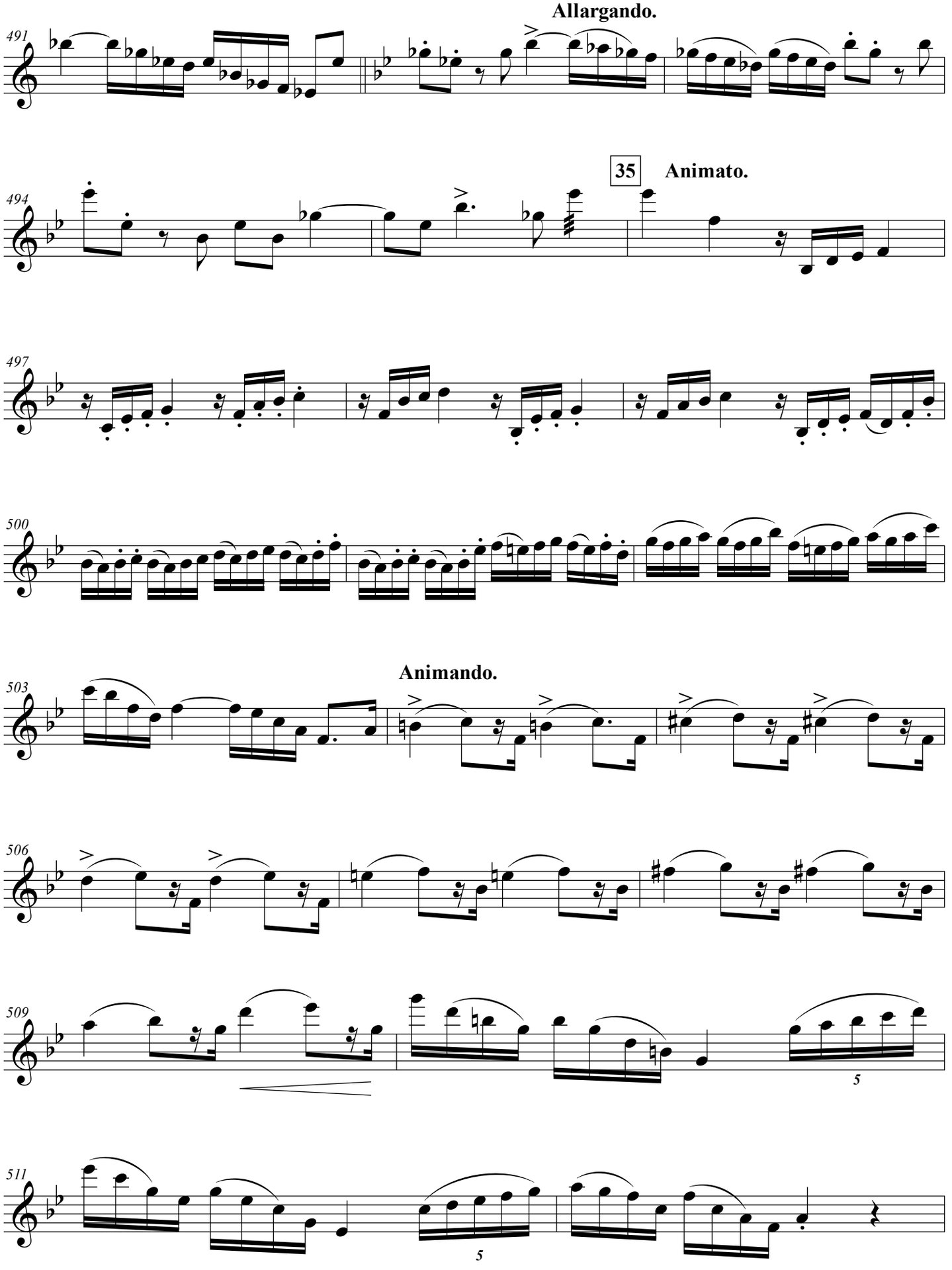
32
462
466
33
meno mosso
470
474
mf
cresc.
34
478
sf
482
sf
485
488


Allargando.
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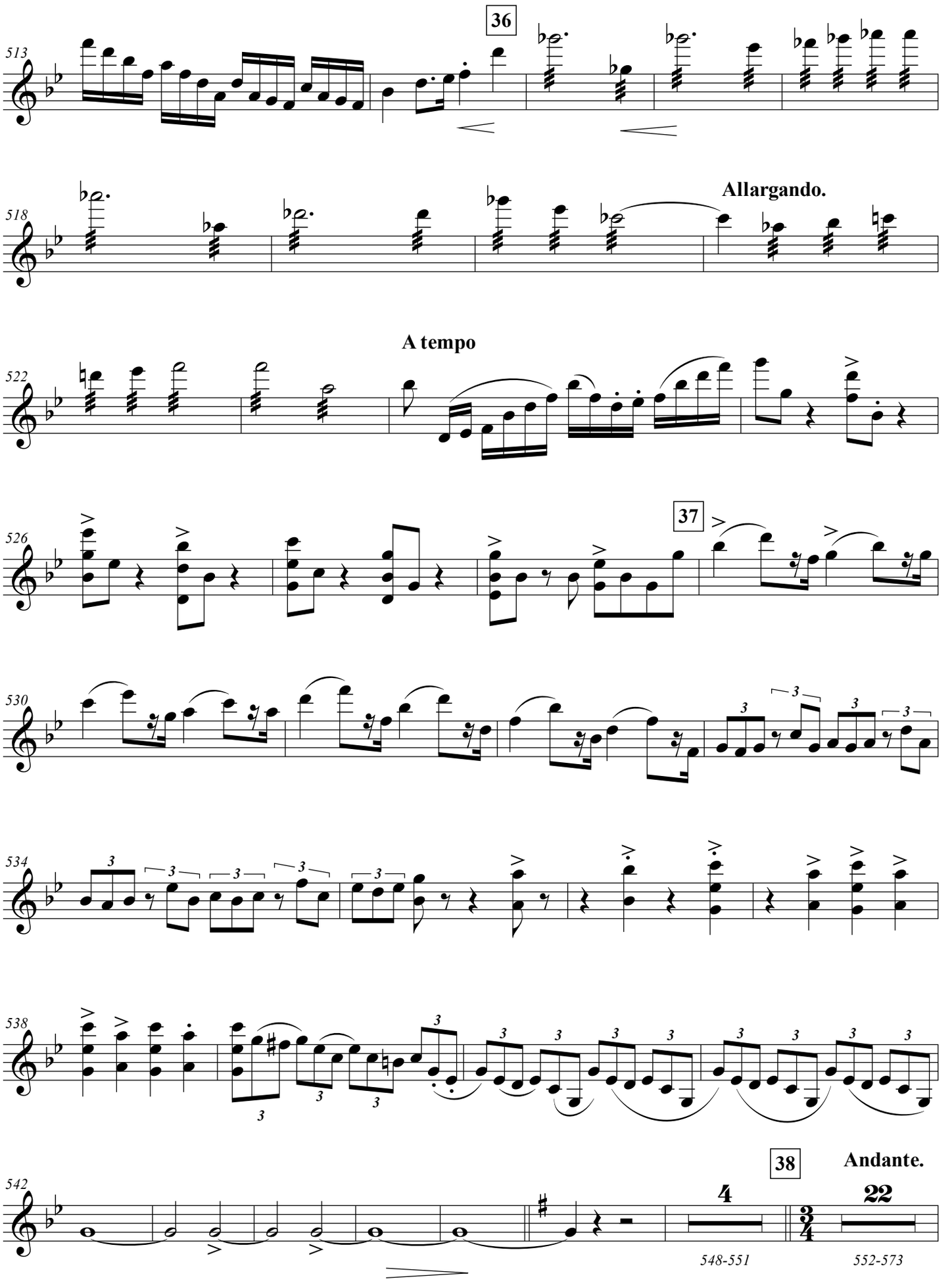
35
Animato.
494
497
500
Animando.
503
506
509
5
511
5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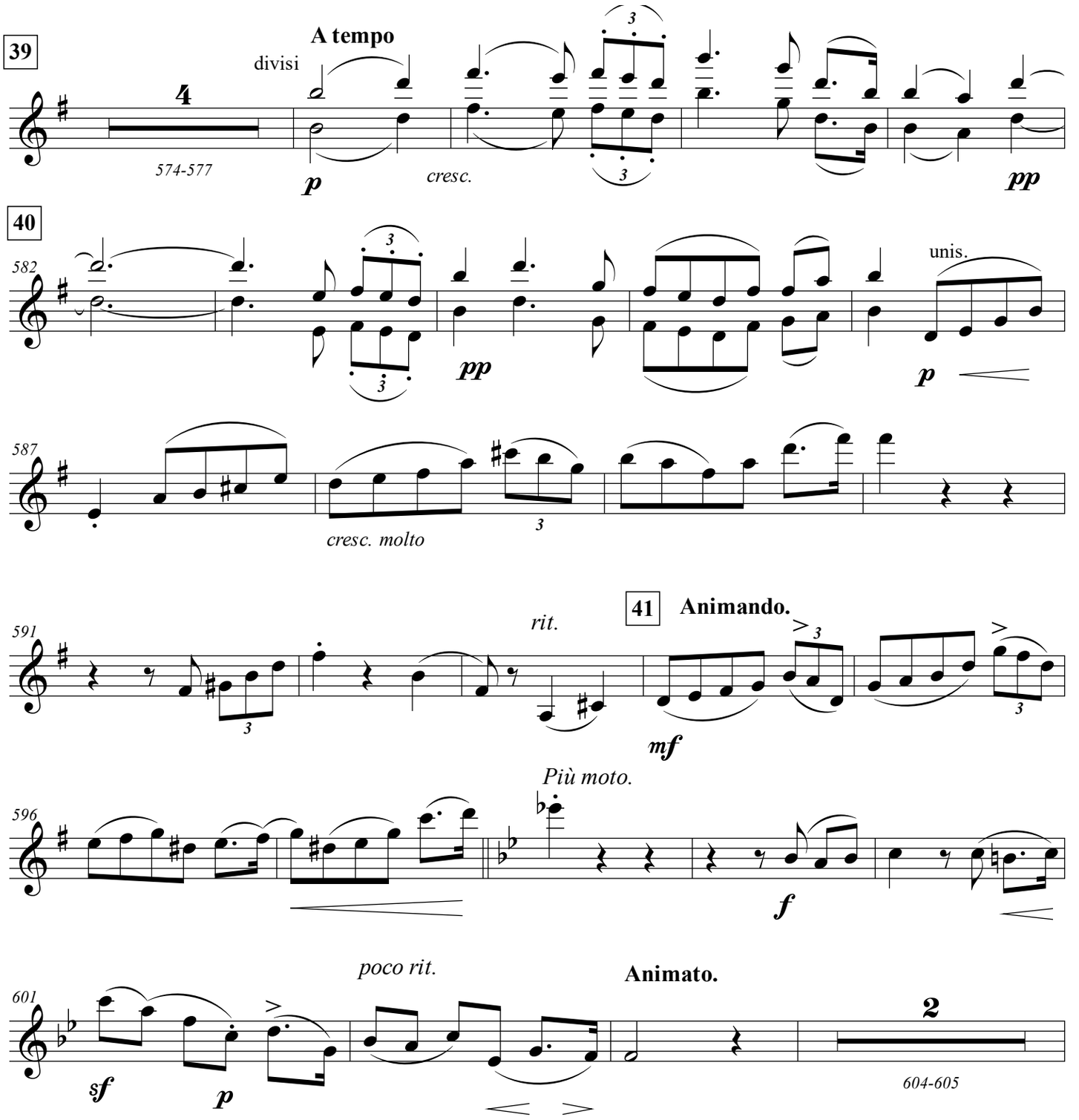
513
518
Allargando.
A tempo
522
526
37
530
534
538
38
Andante.
542
4
22
548-551
552-573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A tempo
divisi
574-577
p
cresc.
pp
40
582
pp
unis.
p
587
cresc. molto
41
Animando.
591
rit.
mf
Più moto.
596
f
poco rit.
Animato.
601
sf
p
2
604-605

606

42

612

cresc.

f

618

p

43

poco meno mosso.

623

2

624-625

mf *cresc.*

44

Poco meno mosso.

629

p

rit.

colla voce.

634

2

636-637

p

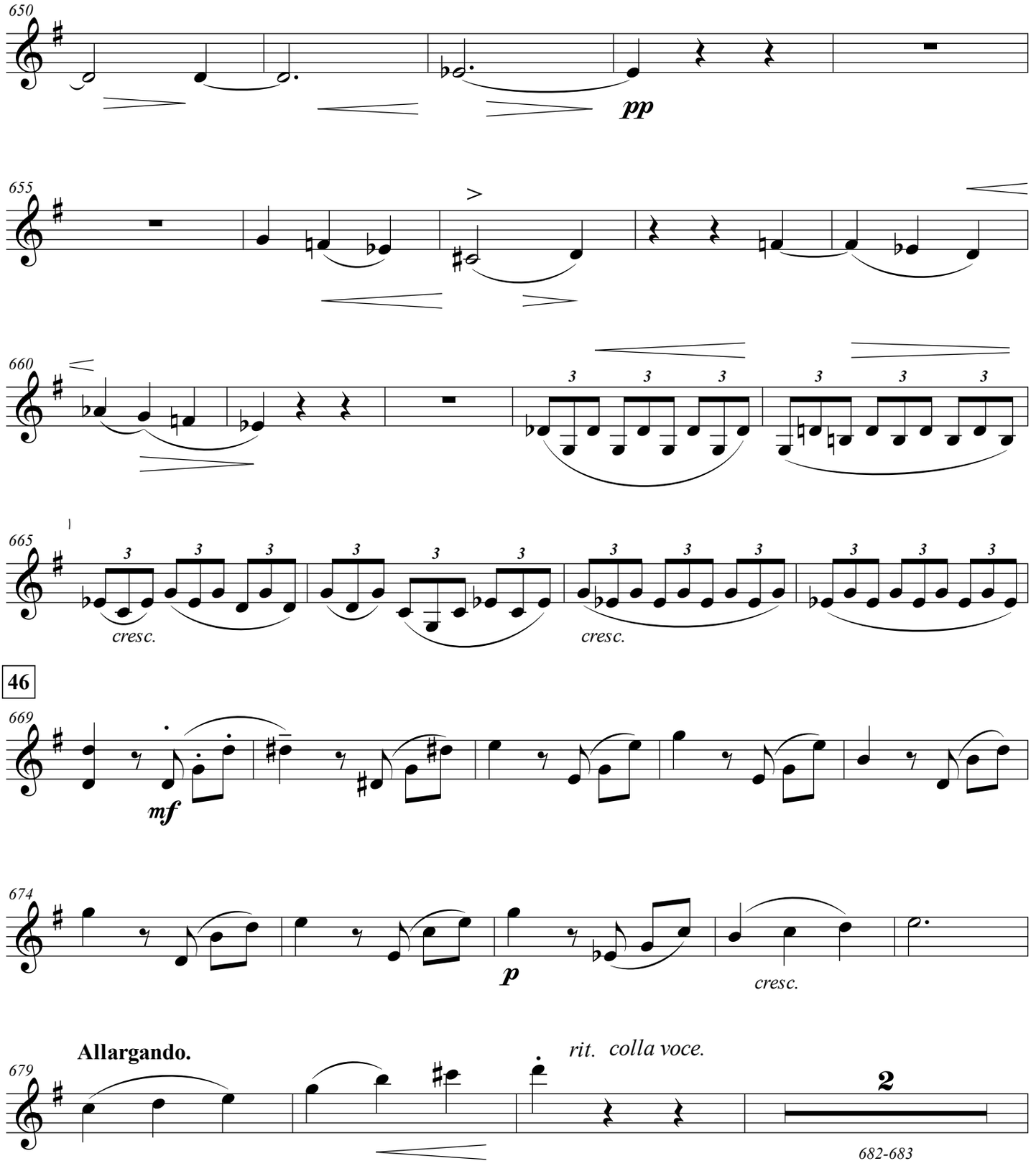
Tempo primo

640

pp

45

645


650
pp
655
660
665
cresc.
cresc.
46
669
mf
674
p
cresc.
Allargando.
679
rit. colla voce.
2
682-683

A tempo

47

appassionato

684

f *cresc.* 3 *p* *p* 3

690

dim.

695

f *p* *dim. molto*

700

705

4

707-710

Lento expressivo. con sord.

p

48

713

p *pp* *pp*

3

718-720

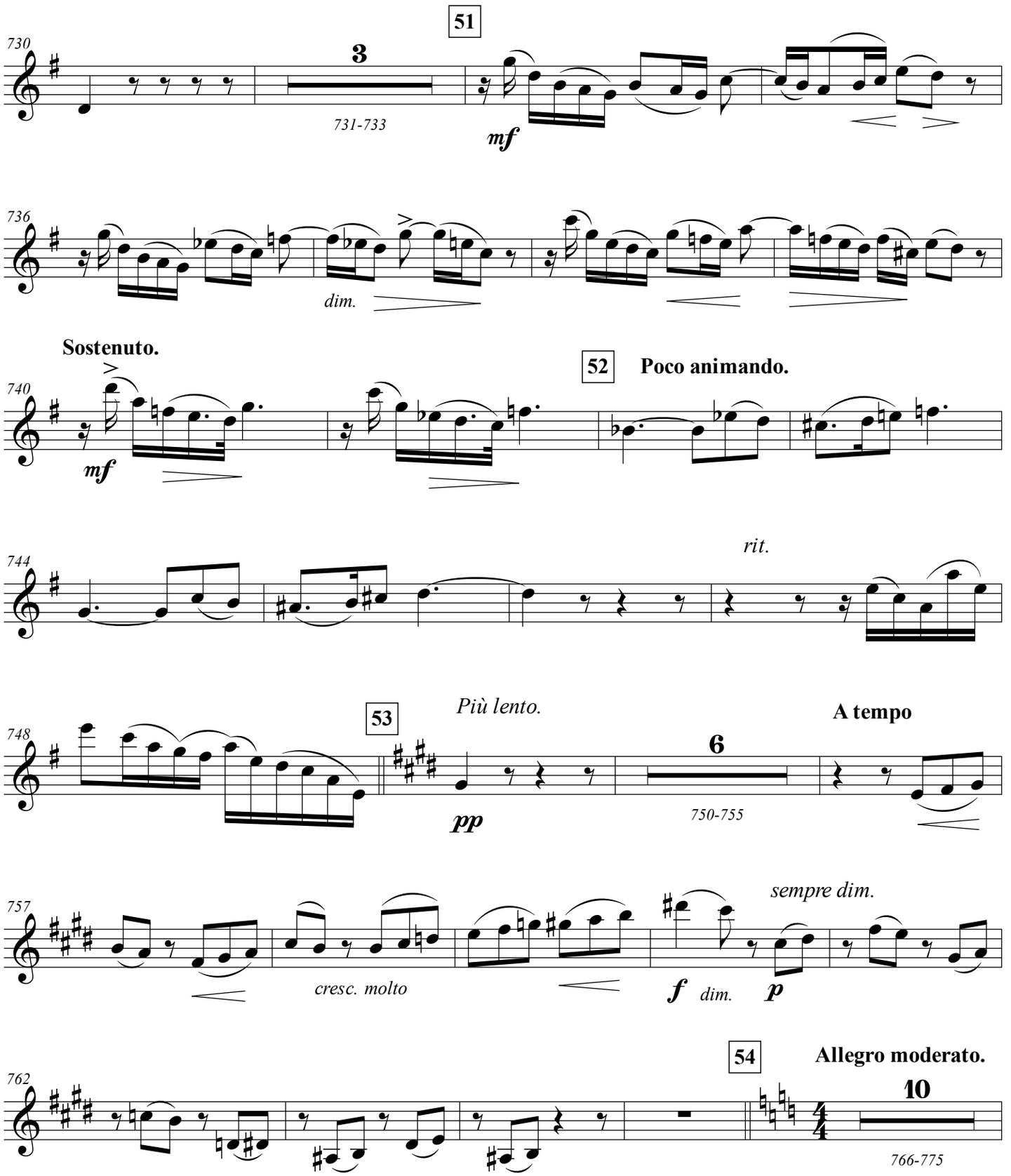
49

2

725-726

p *dim.*

50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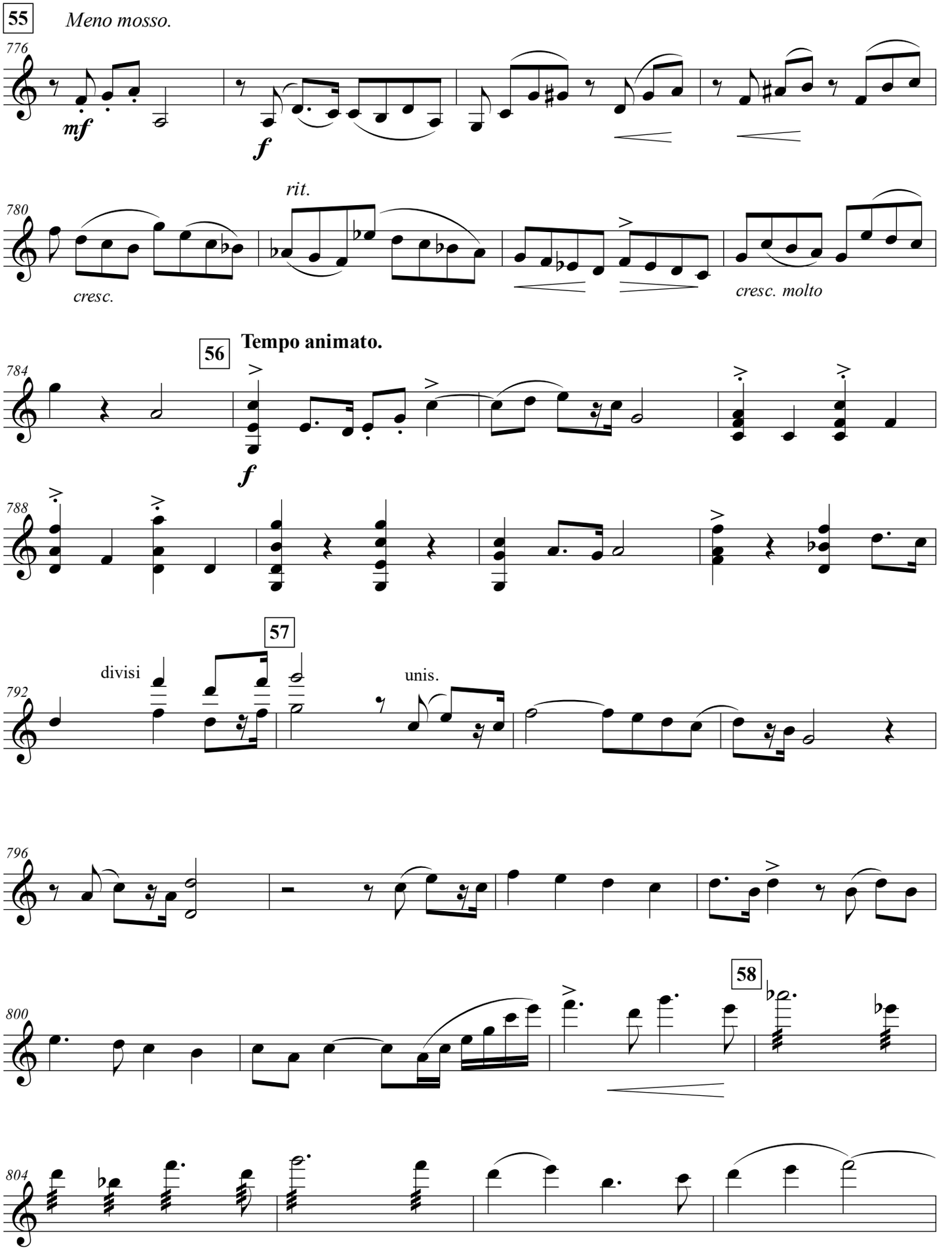
730
3
731-733
mf
736
dim.
Sostenuto.
52
Poco animando.
740
mf
744
rit.
53
Più lento.
748
pp
6
750-755
A tempo
757
cresc. molto
sempre dim.
f
dim.
p
54
Allegro moderato.
762
10
766-775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Meno mosso.
776
mf
f
780
rit.
cresc.
cresc. molto
56
Tempo animato.
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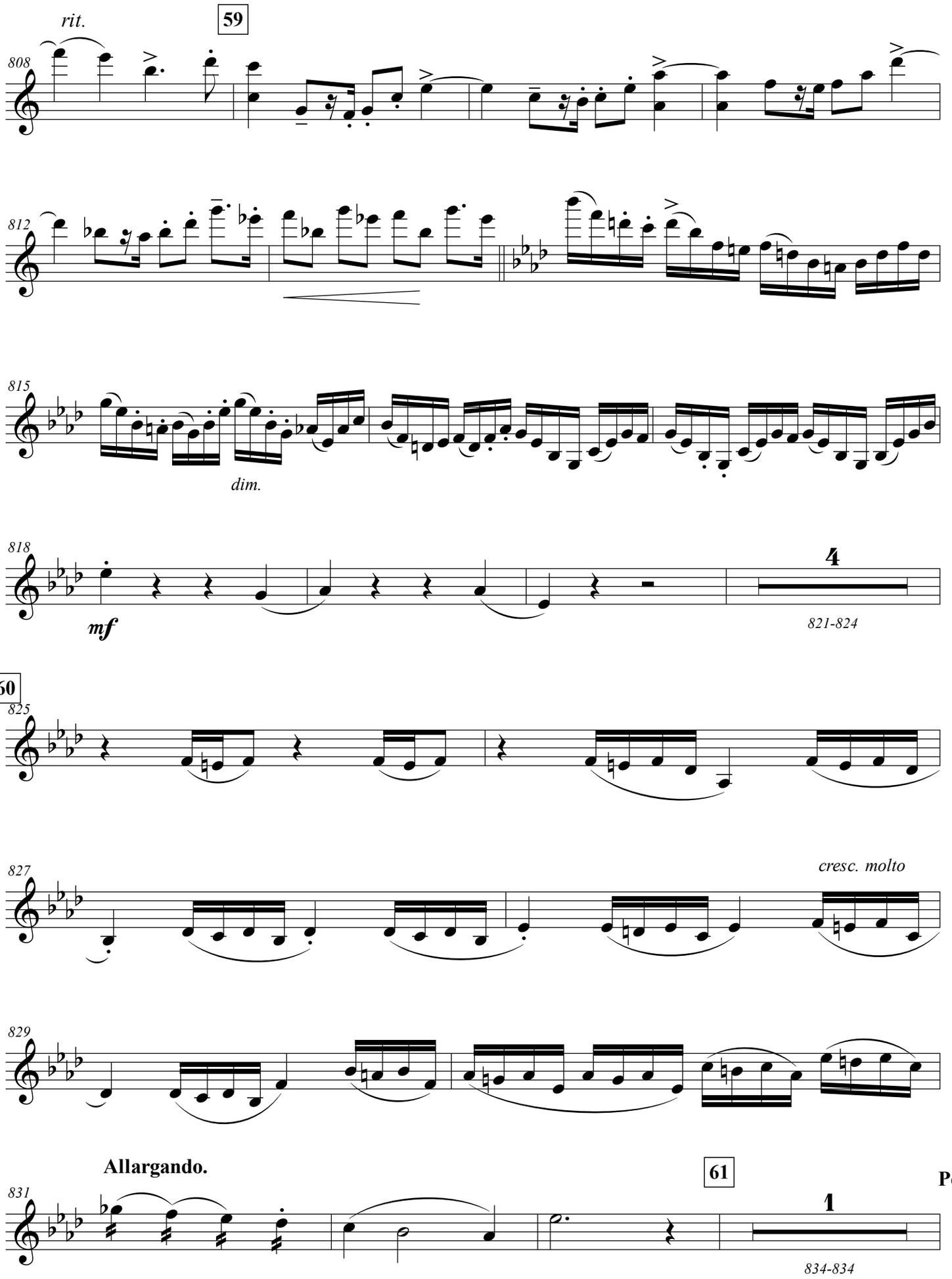
f
788
57
792
divisi
unis.
796
58
800
804


rit.
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808
812
815
dim.
818
mf
4
821-824
60
825
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cresc. molto
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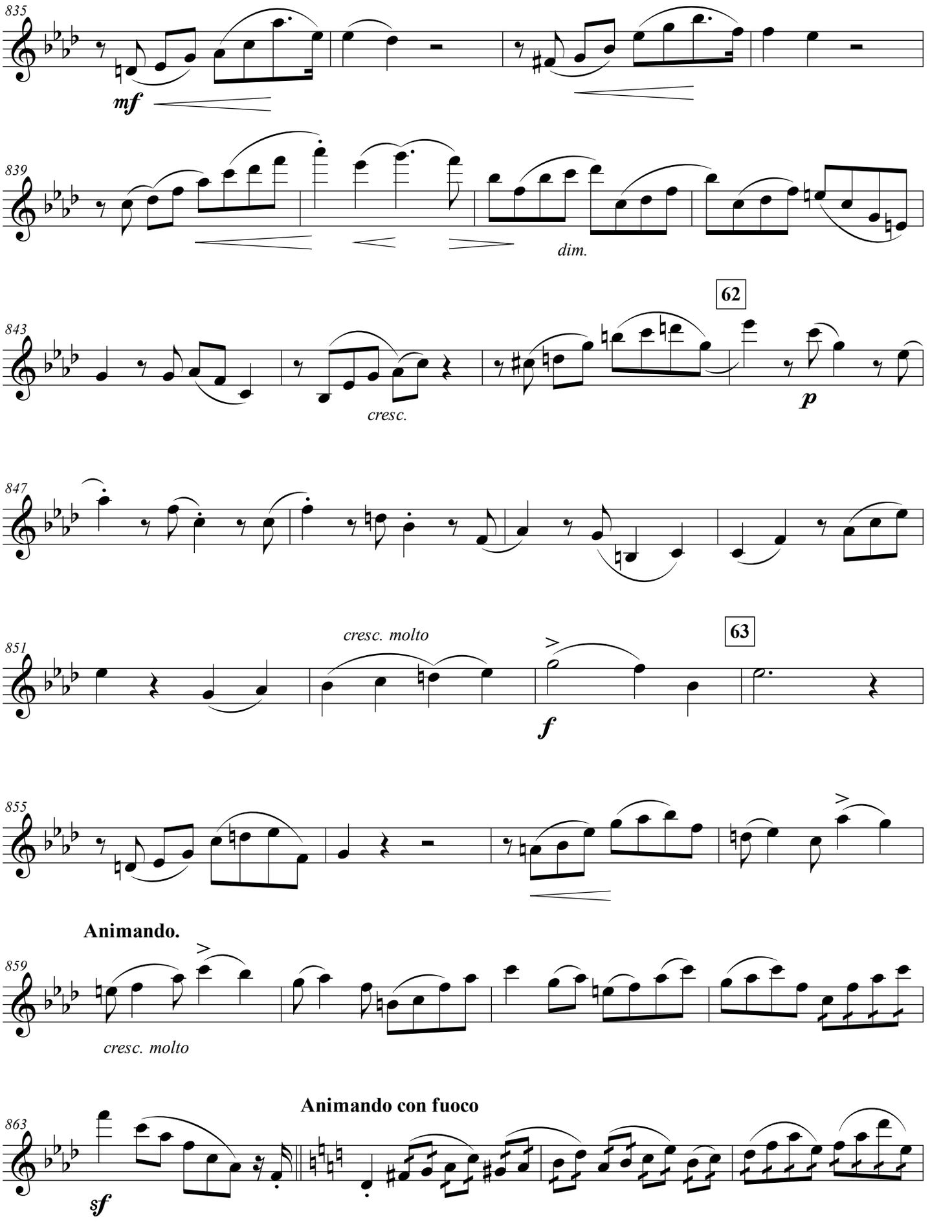
Allargando.
831
61
1
834-834
Poco ar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mf
839
dim.
62
843
cresc.
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cresc. molto
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f
855
Animando.
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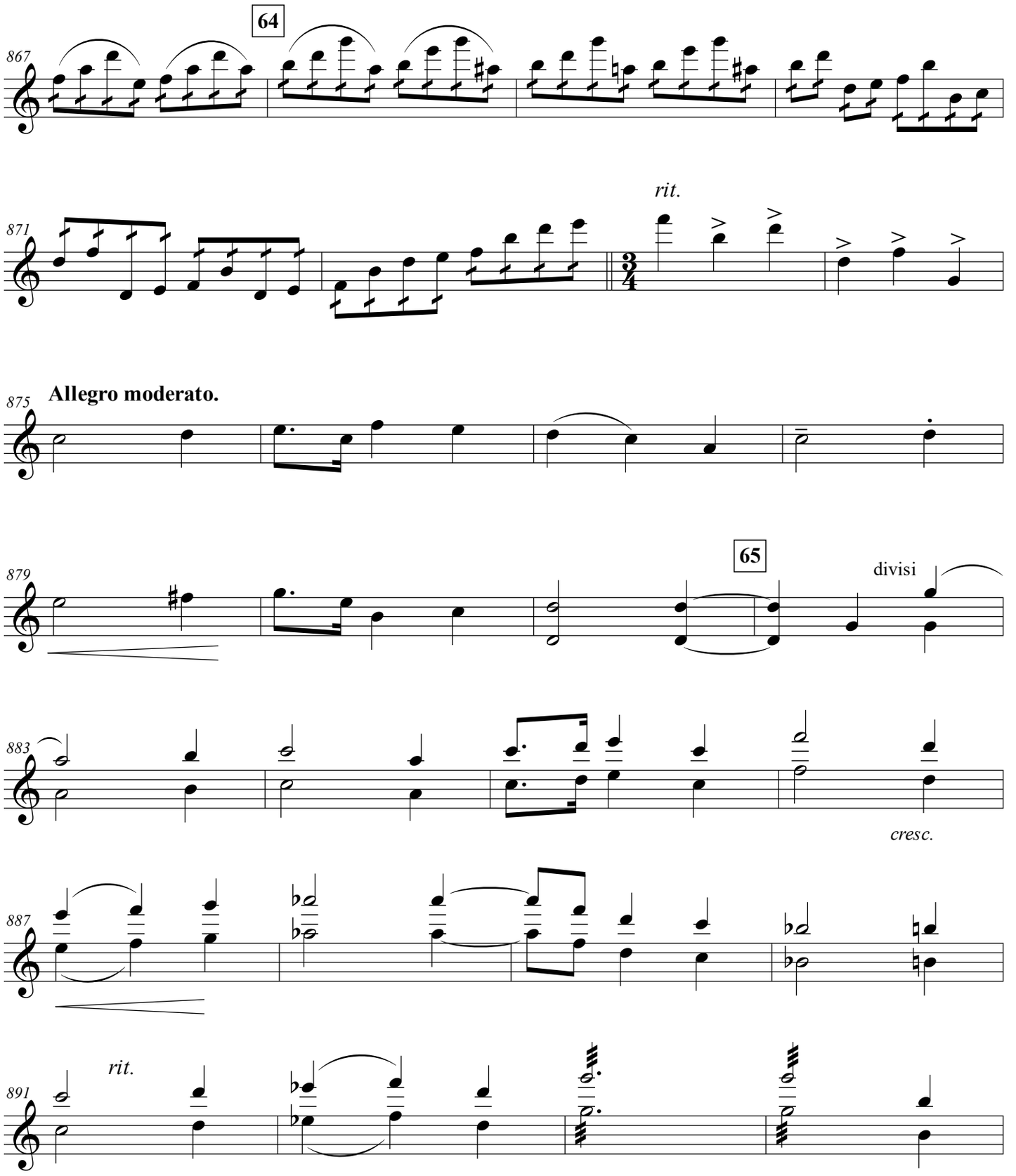
cresc. molto
Animando con fuoco
863
sf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867
871
rit.
875
Allegro moderato.
879
65
divisi
883
cresc.
887
891
rit.

66

895 unis.

Allargando.

mf

899

Allargando.

903

3

mf

sempre cres.

906

909

911

rit.

Allargando.

915

sf

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