Lake Effect

for String Quartet

I. Glacial Remnants - residuals 1 (solo)
II. Not a Drop - residuals 2 (duo)
III. Surface Tension - residuals 3 (trio)
IV. Condensation

Perusal Score

Composed by
Phillip Sink
2012

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Performance Notes

Duration: 10:00

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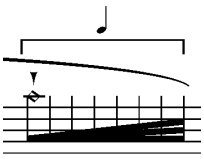
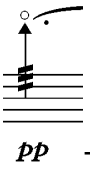
This quartet is structured with four movements separated by three short interludes called “residuals.” The quartet should be played continuous without breaks between movements and interludes.

Lake Effect was the first piece I composed after moving away from Michigan. During the time, I was struggling to come out of a pretty severe creative drought. I began with the second movement, Not a drop, which became the catharsis I needed. Afterwards, I decided to compose the other movements around various aspects of water and the Great Lakes.

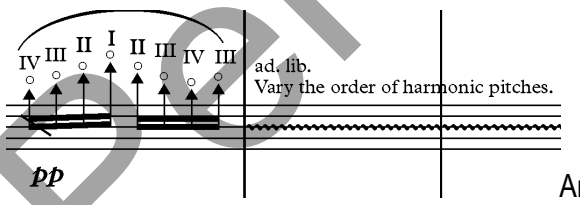
Movement I:



Feather beaming: Play slow to fast using off-the-string bowing.



Triangle notehead: Play the highest harmonic note possible.



An arrow with a wavy line indicates to continue the effect ad libitum until the end of the arrow.

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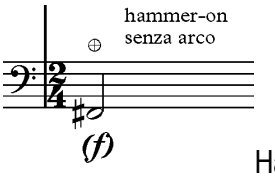
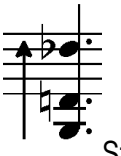
End of Movement III/Residuals 2.

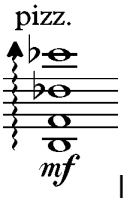


Hammer-on effect: Forcefully press the string at the given pitch with the left hand. The string should resonate without the use of arco or pizzicato.

Movement IV:



Strum: A straight-lined arrow indicates a forceful, percussive strum in the direction of the arrow.



In contrast, a wavy-lined arrow indicates an ordinary (slower) arpeggiation.

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Full Score

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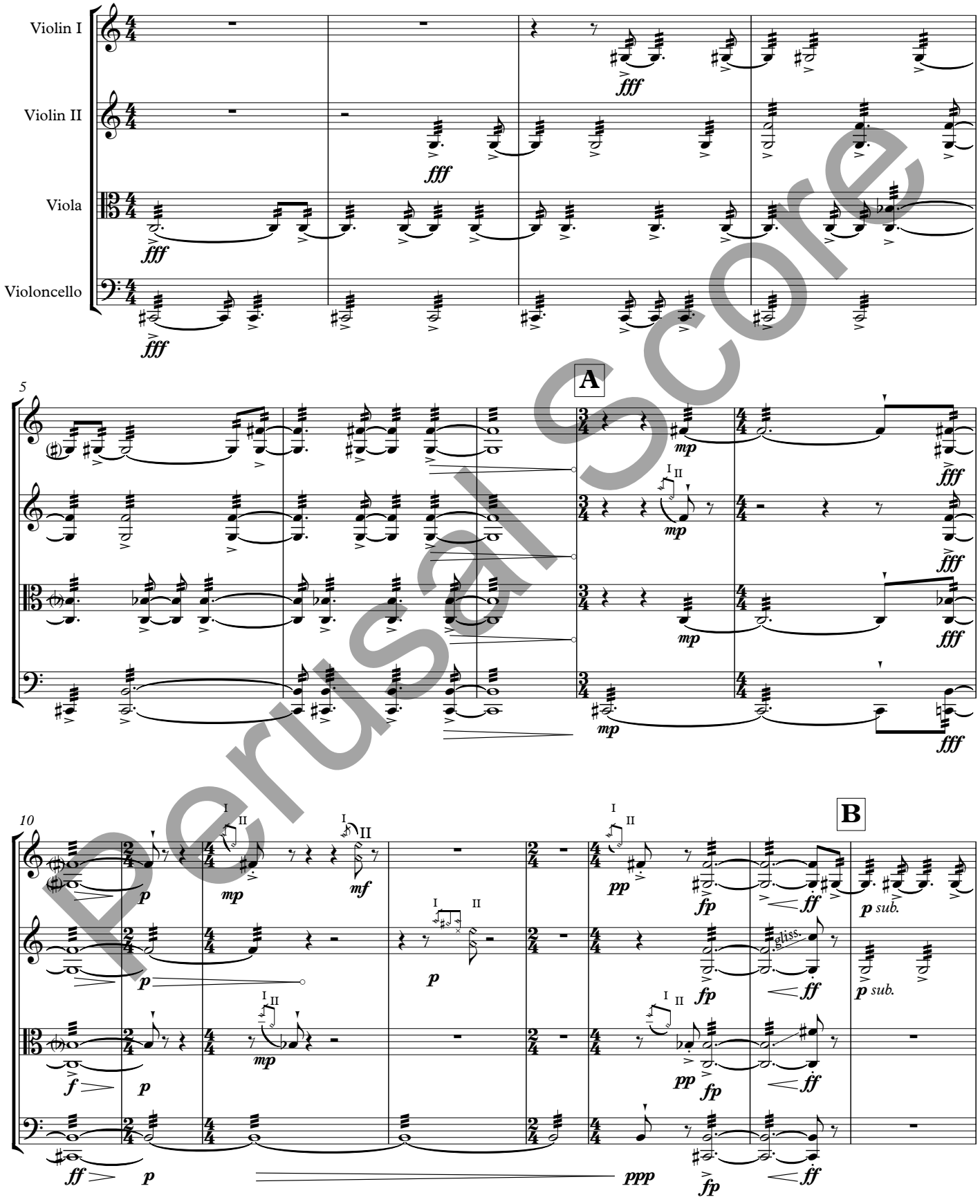
I. glacial remnants

♩ = 92 ***Monolithic***



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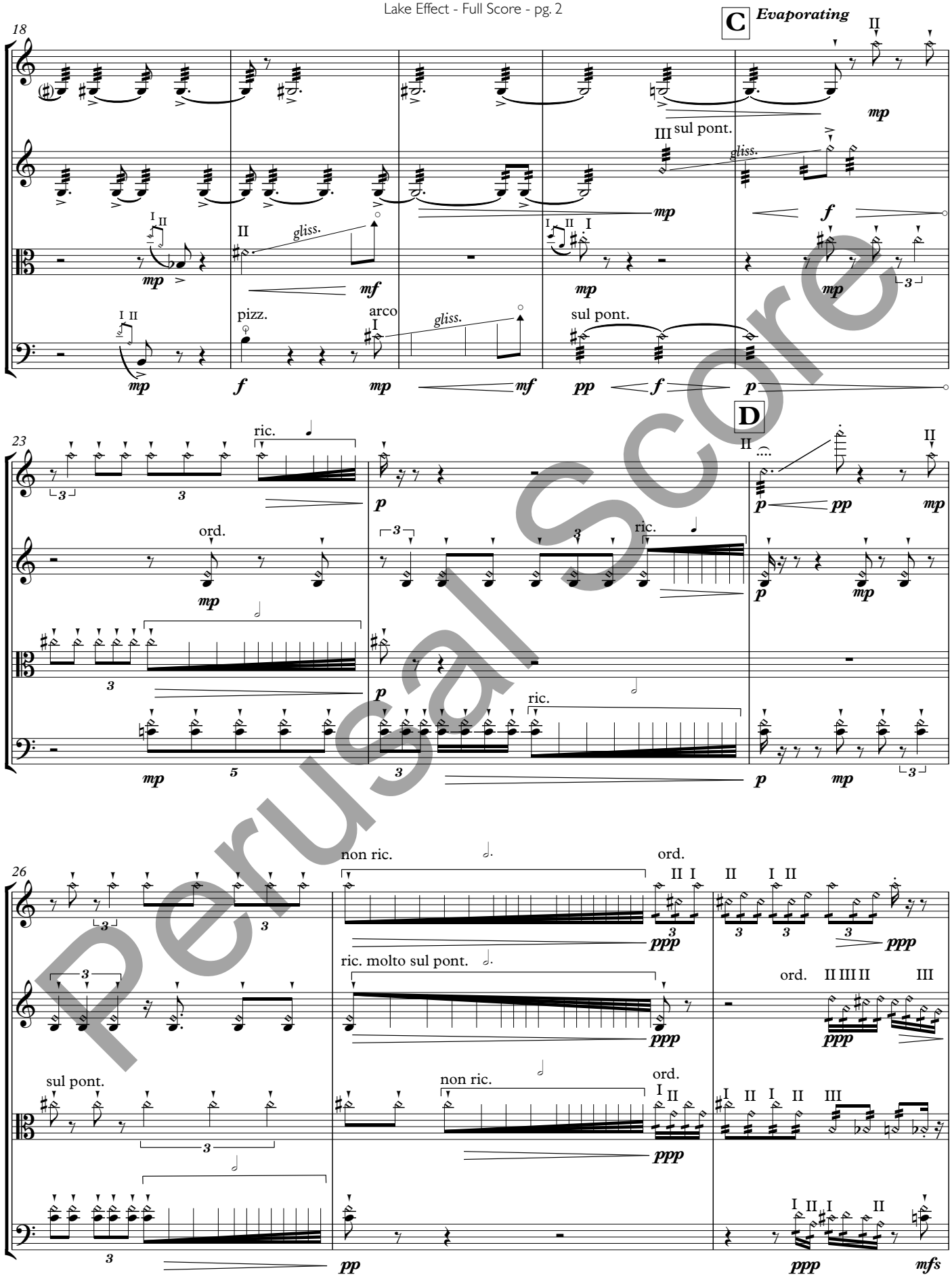

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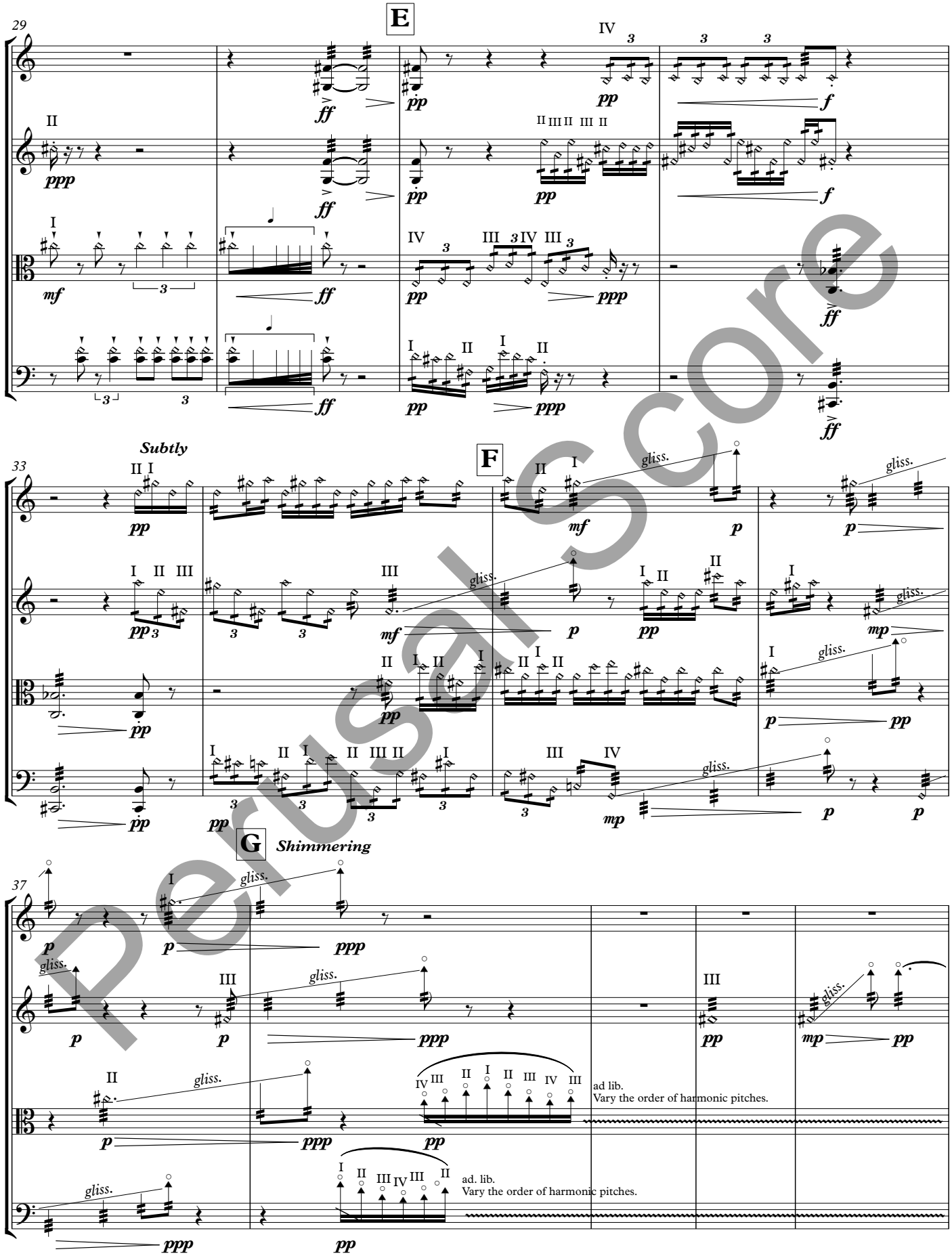

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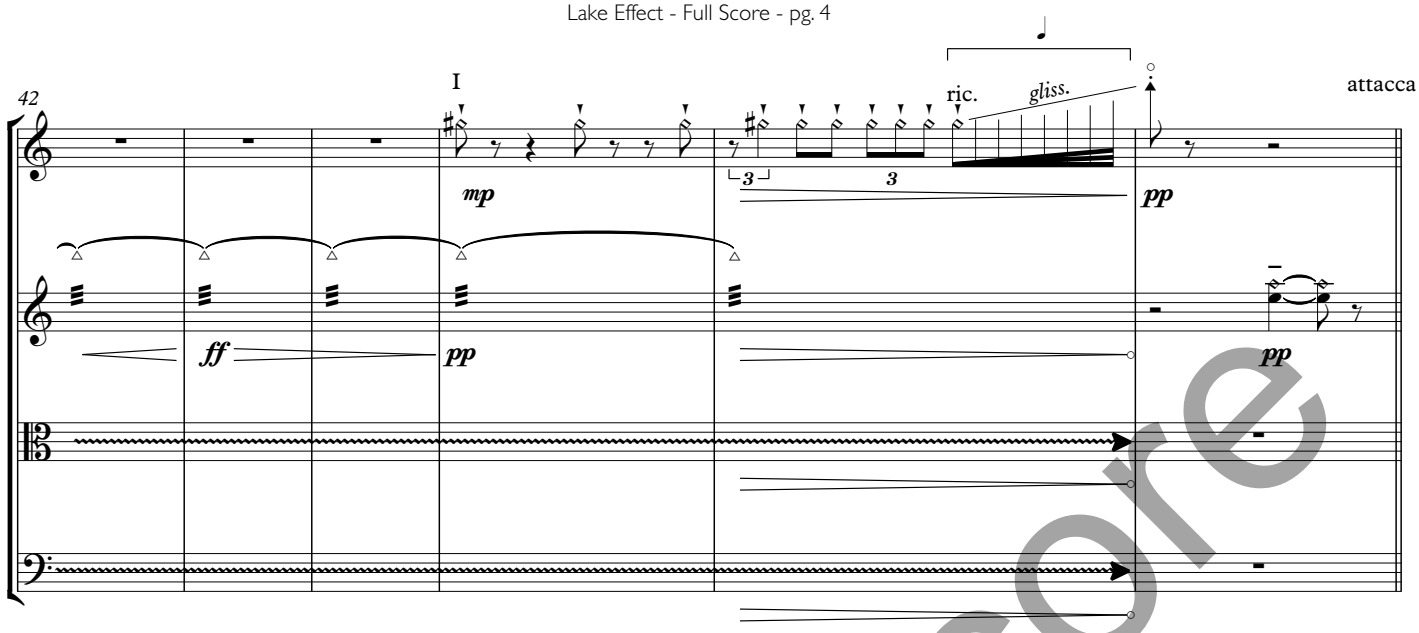
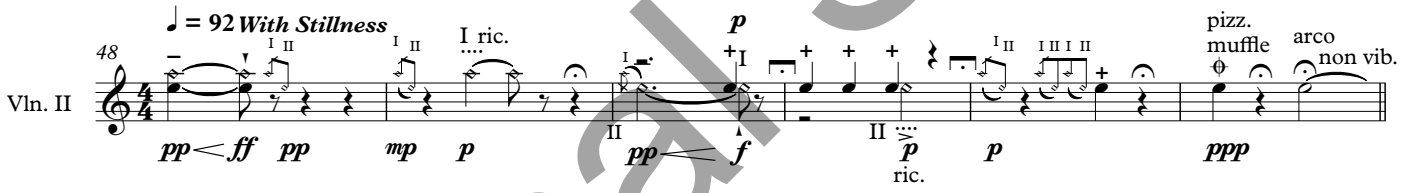


residuals (solo)



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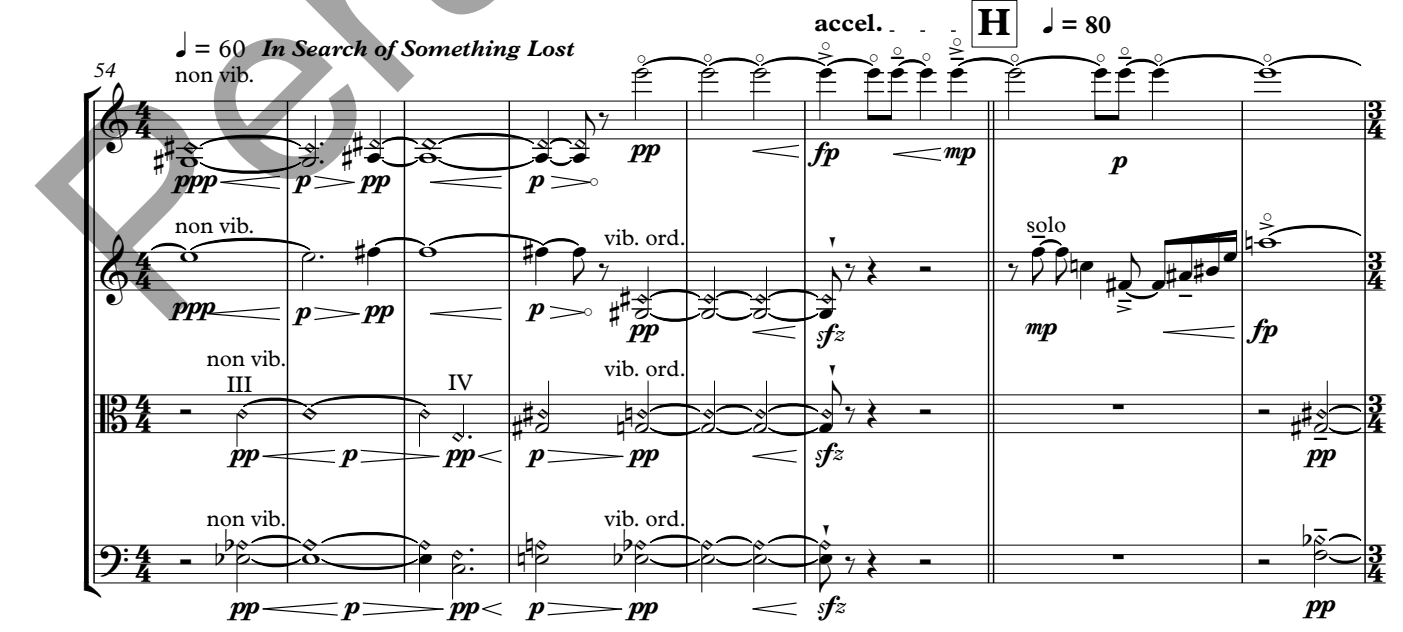

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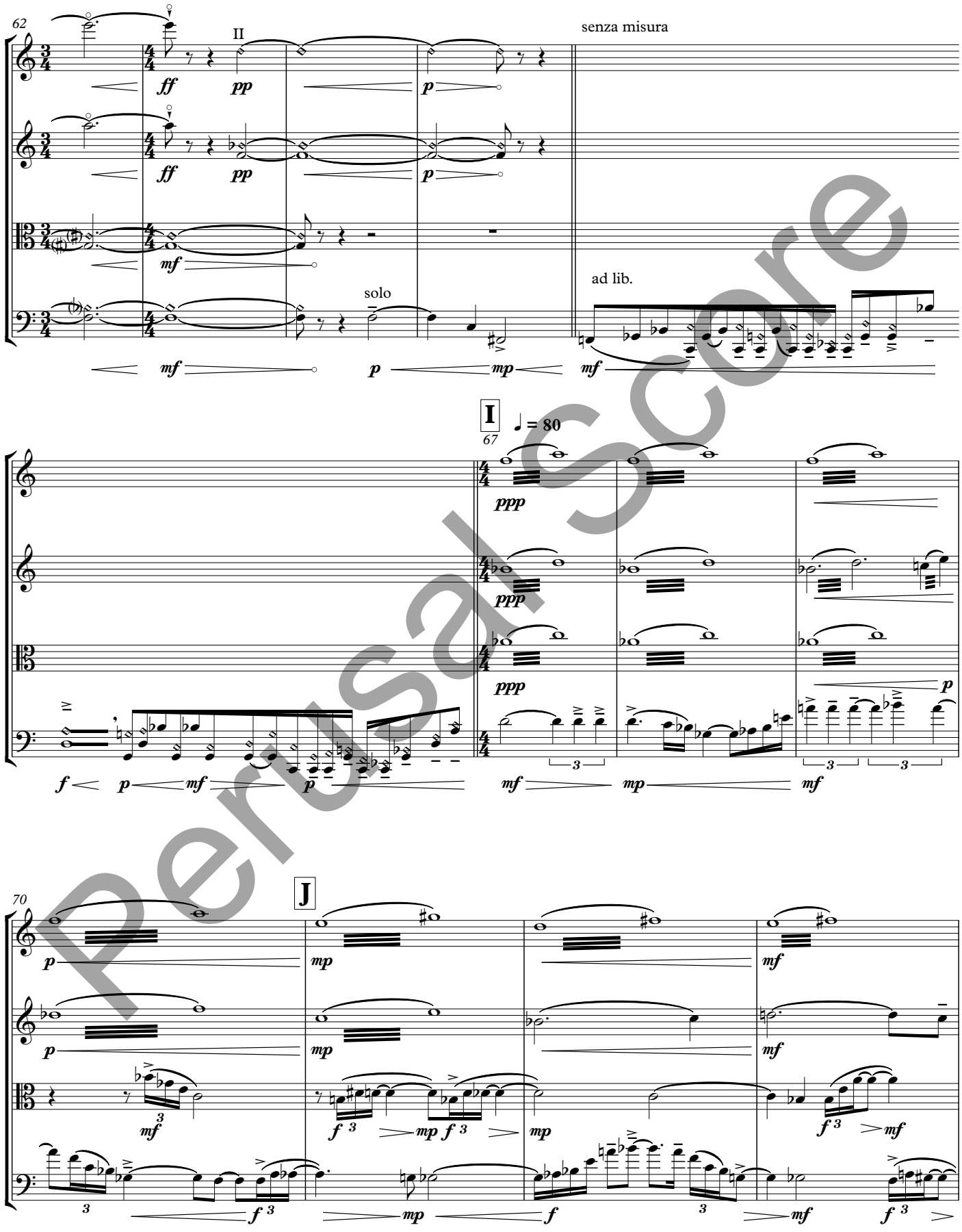

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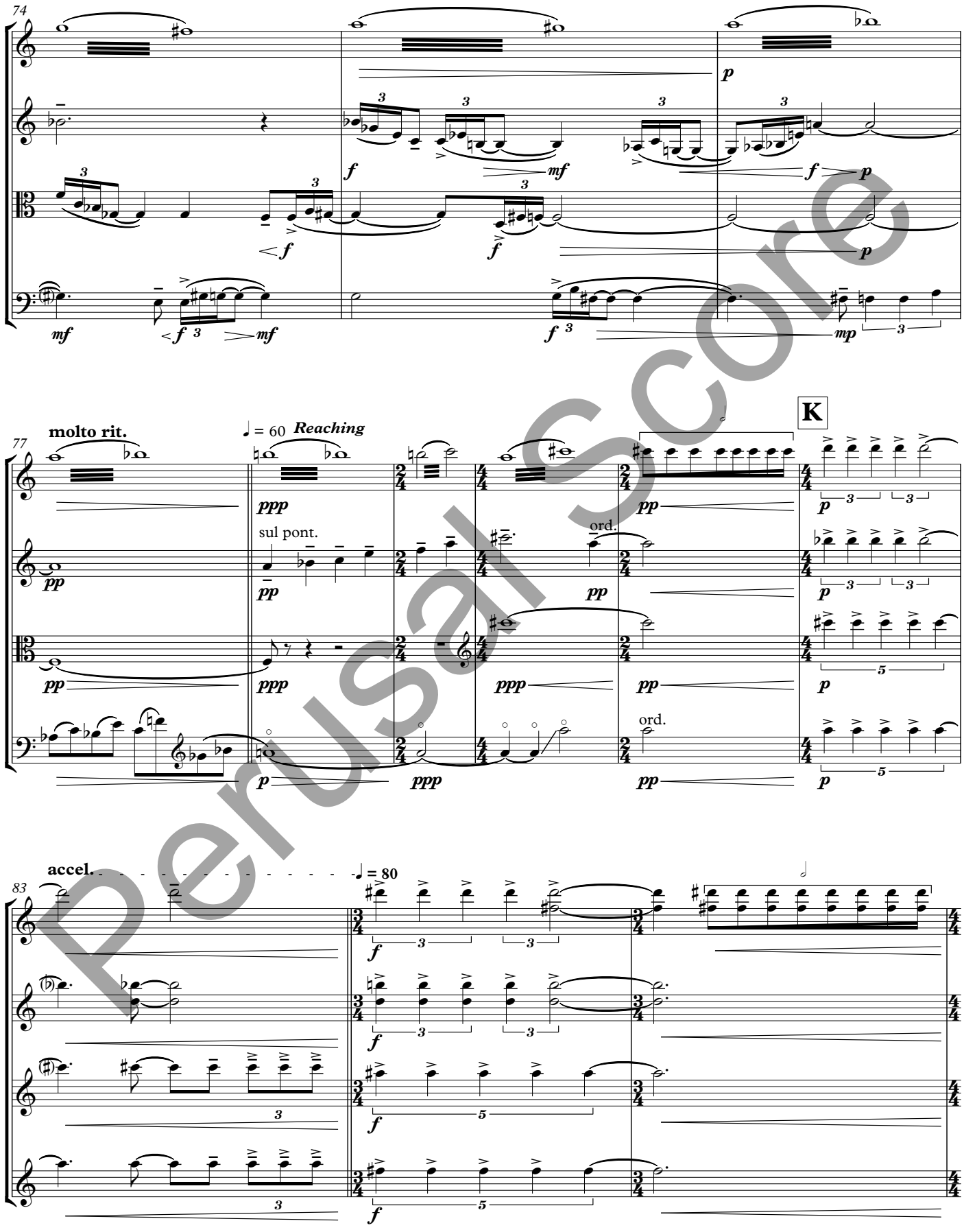

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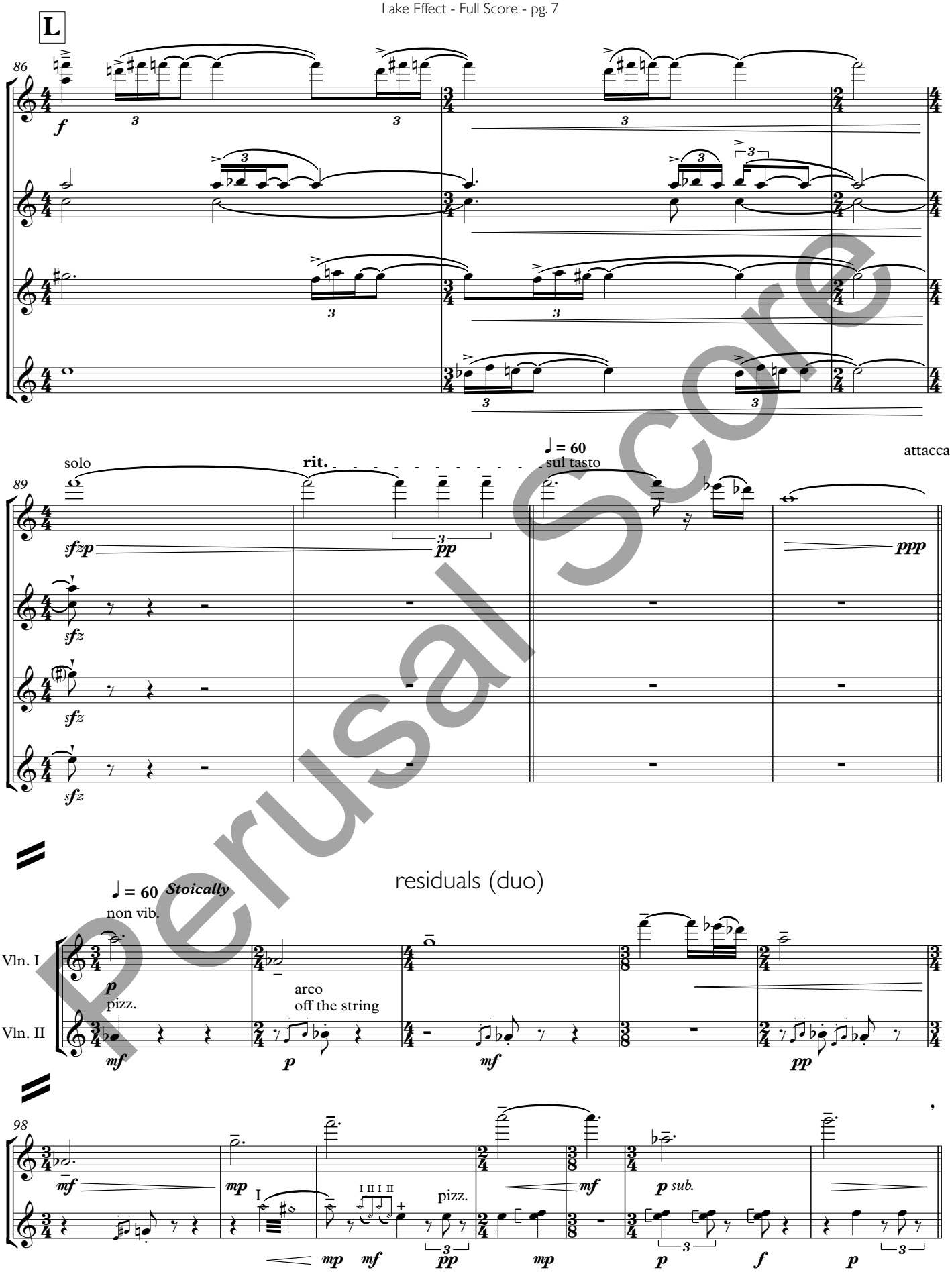

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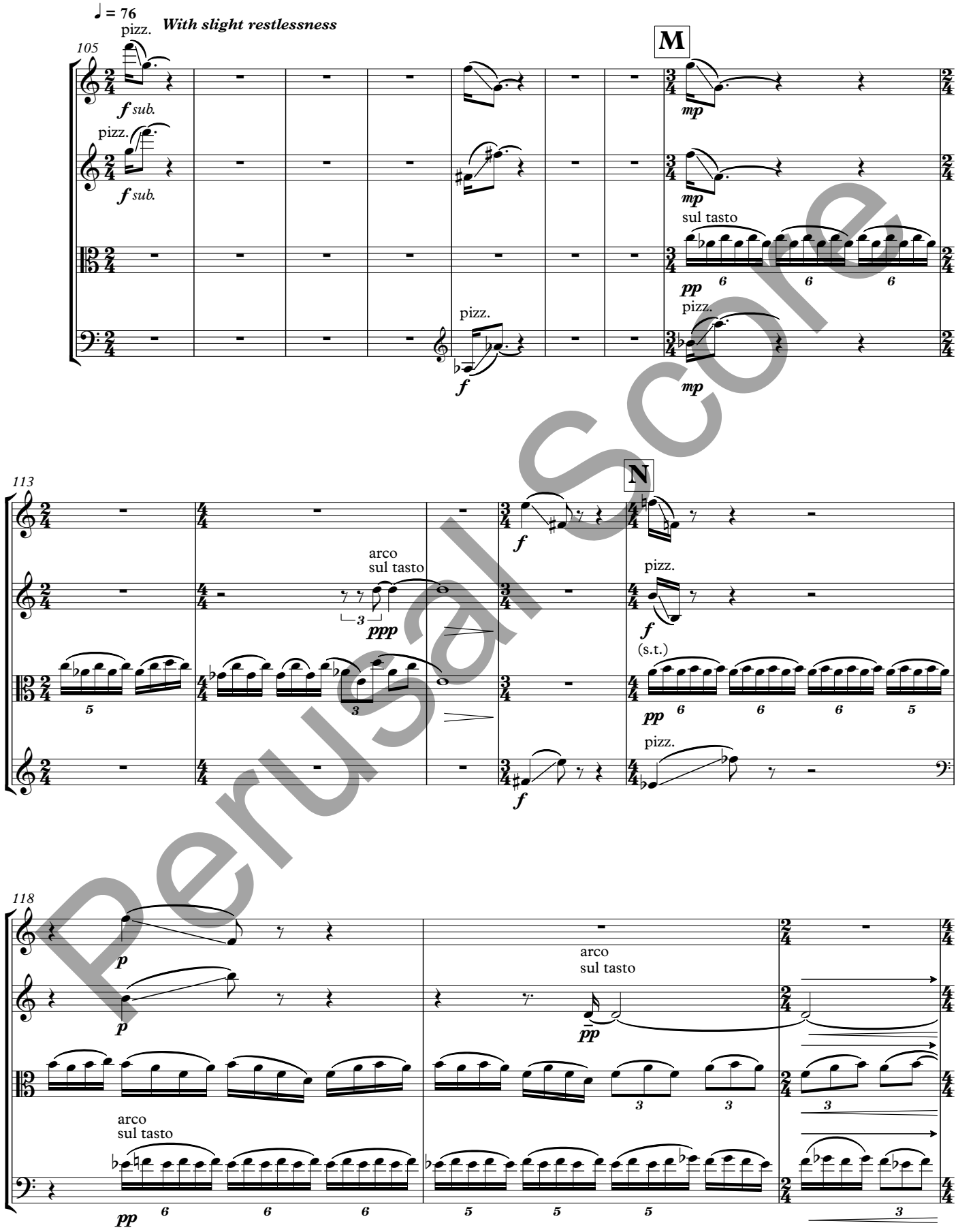
III. surface tension



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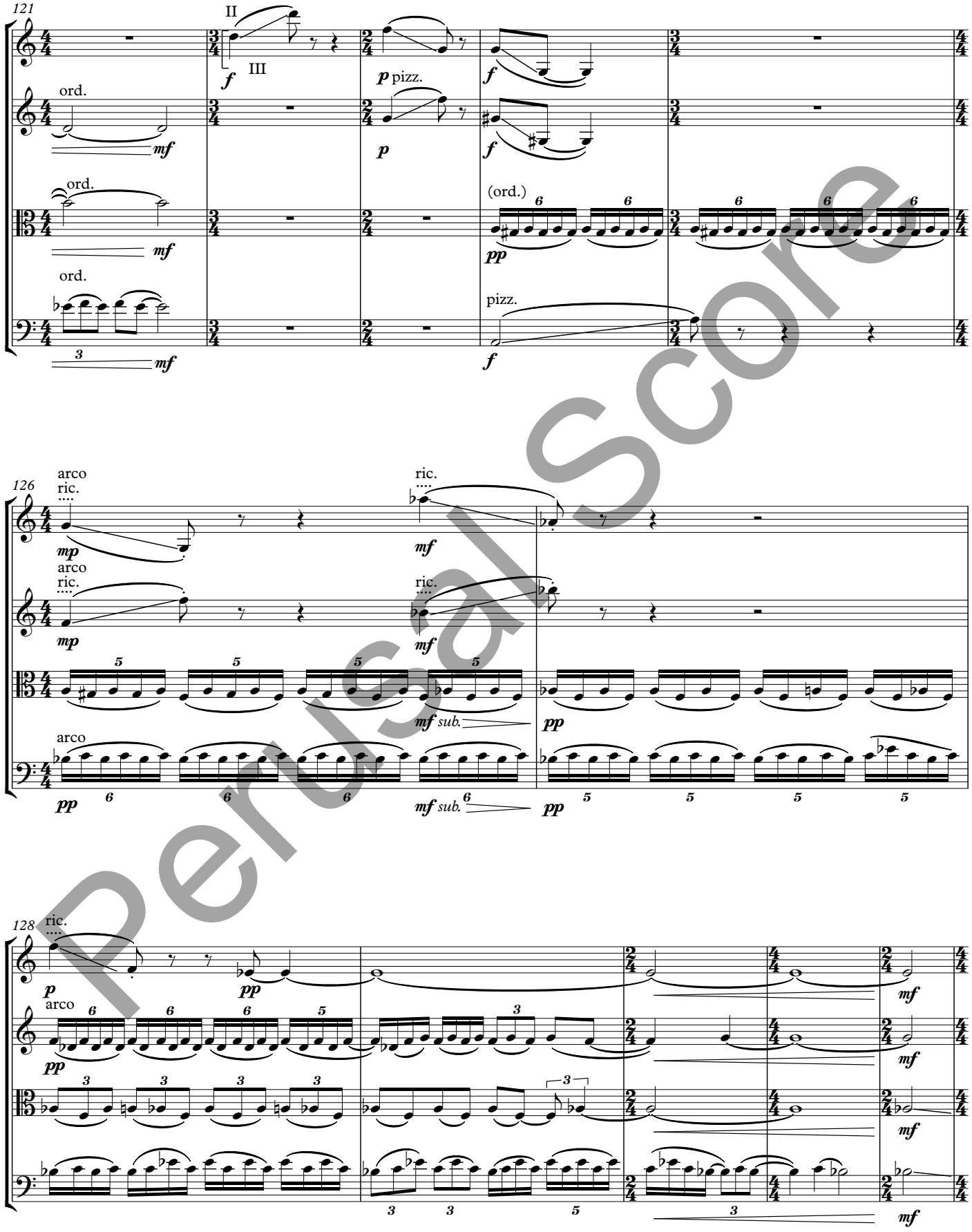

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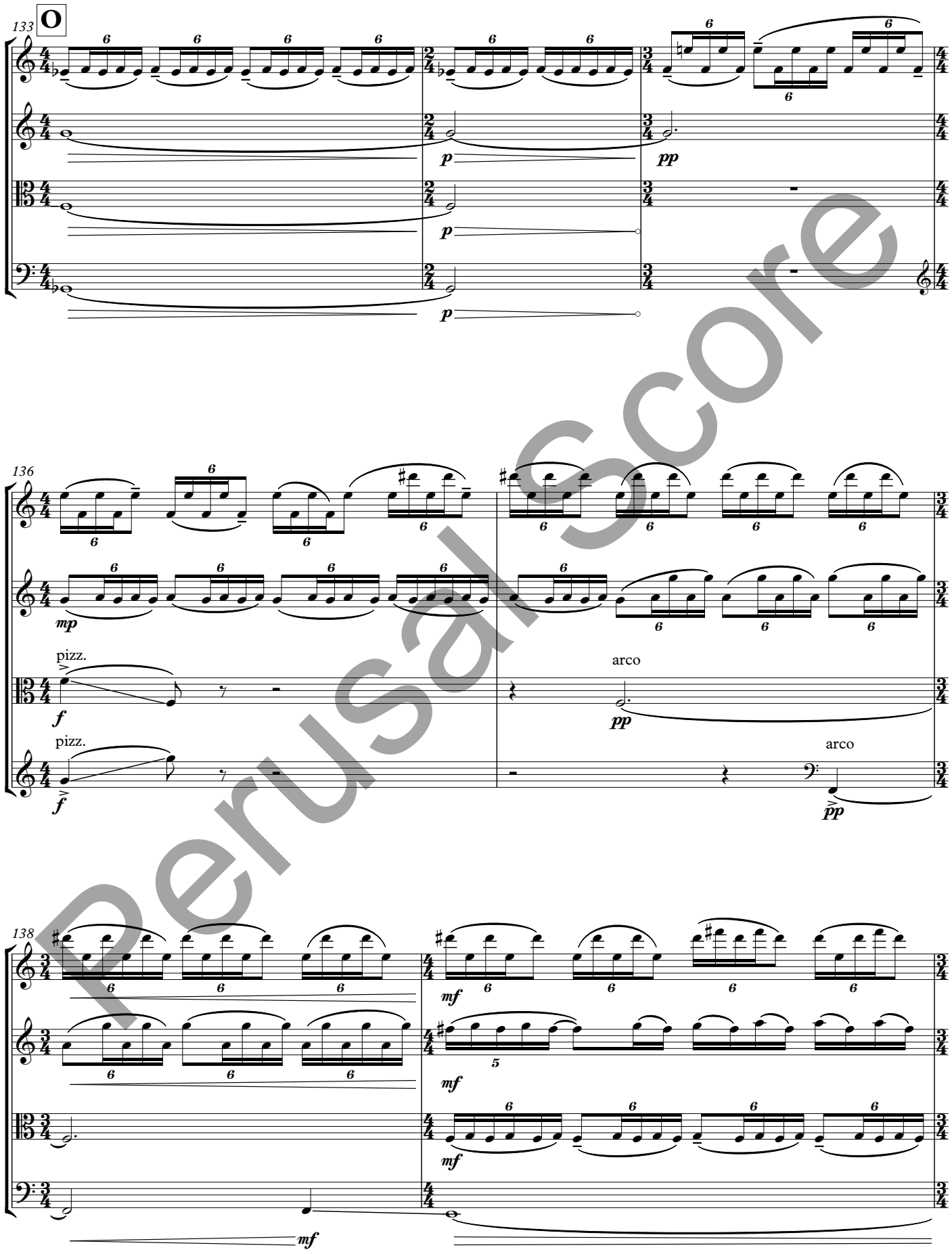

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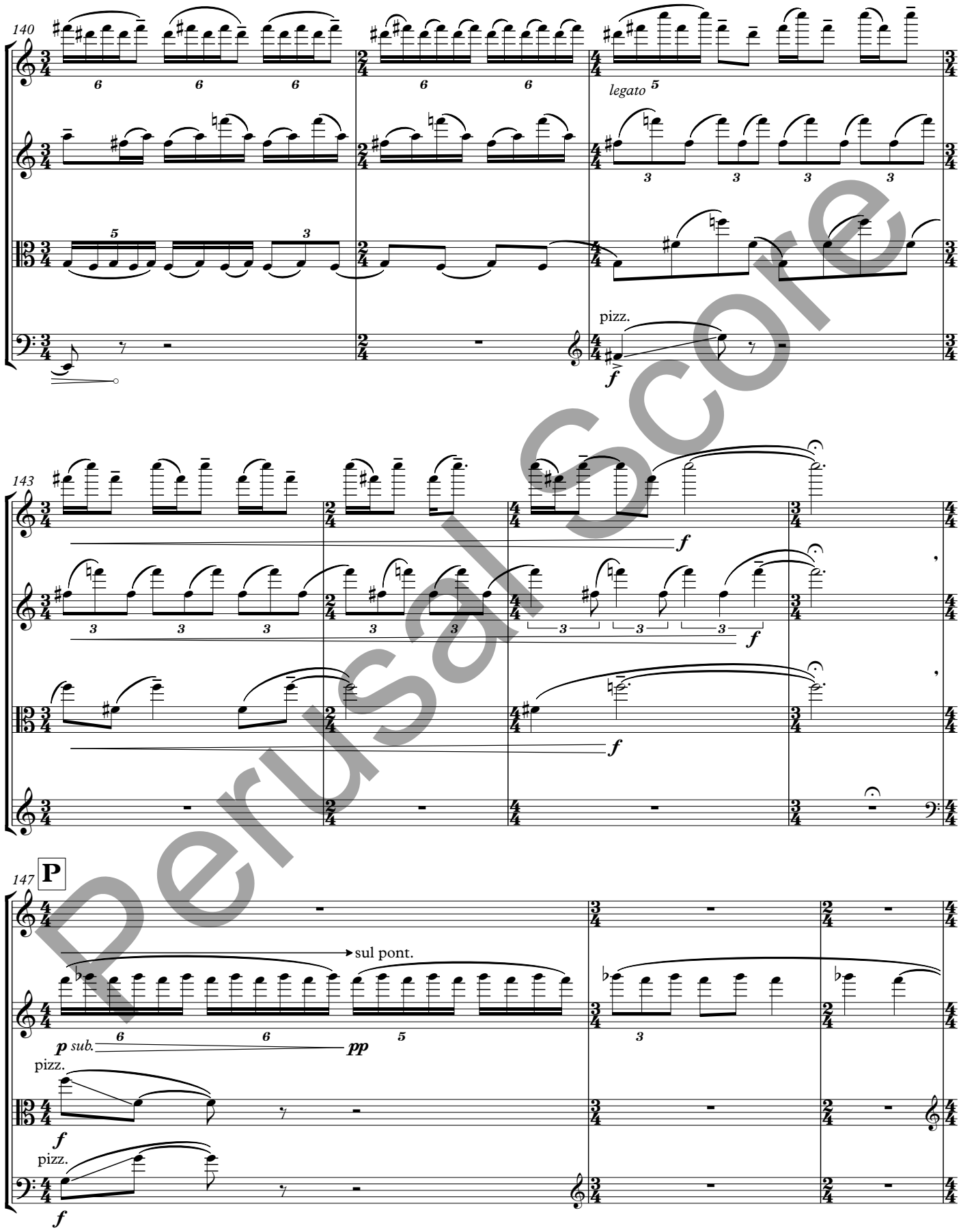

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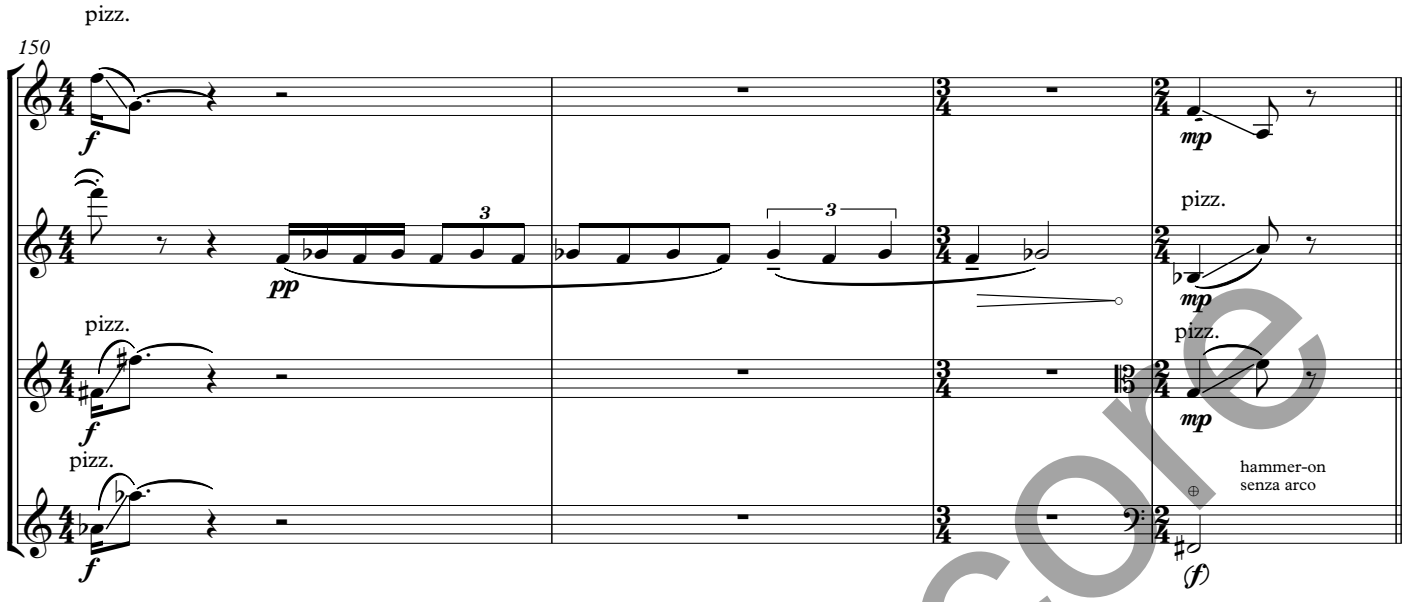

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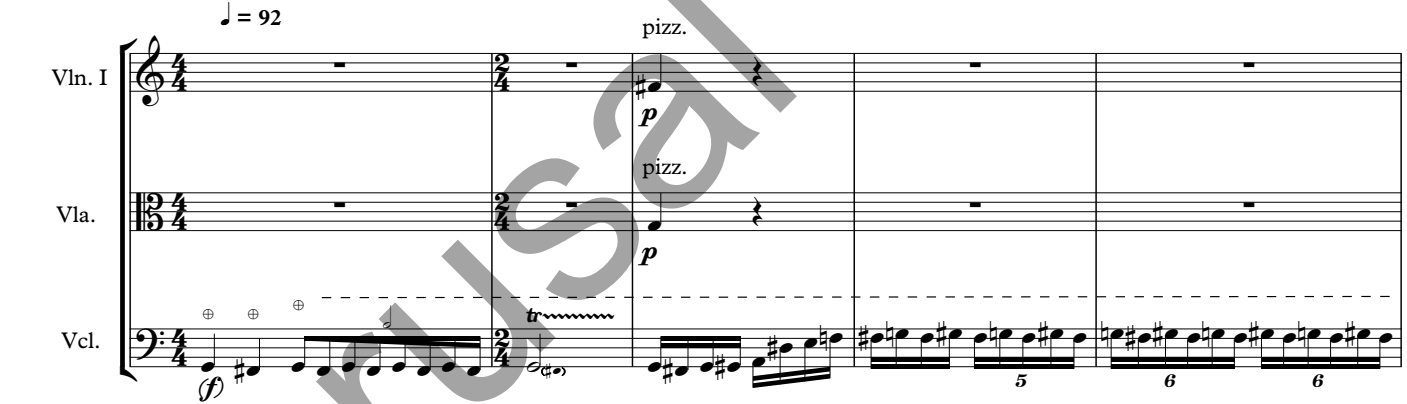

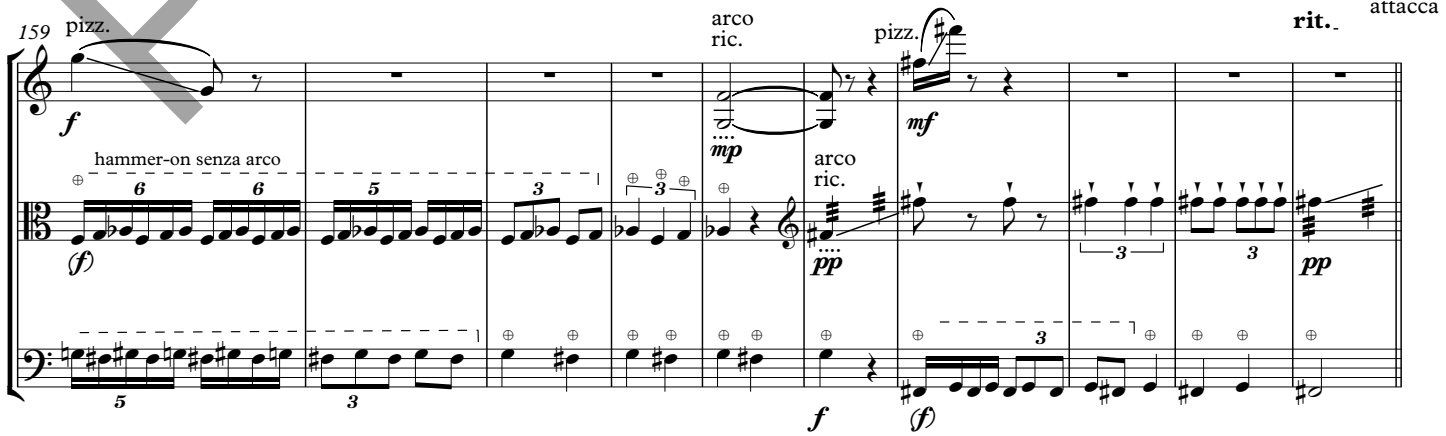

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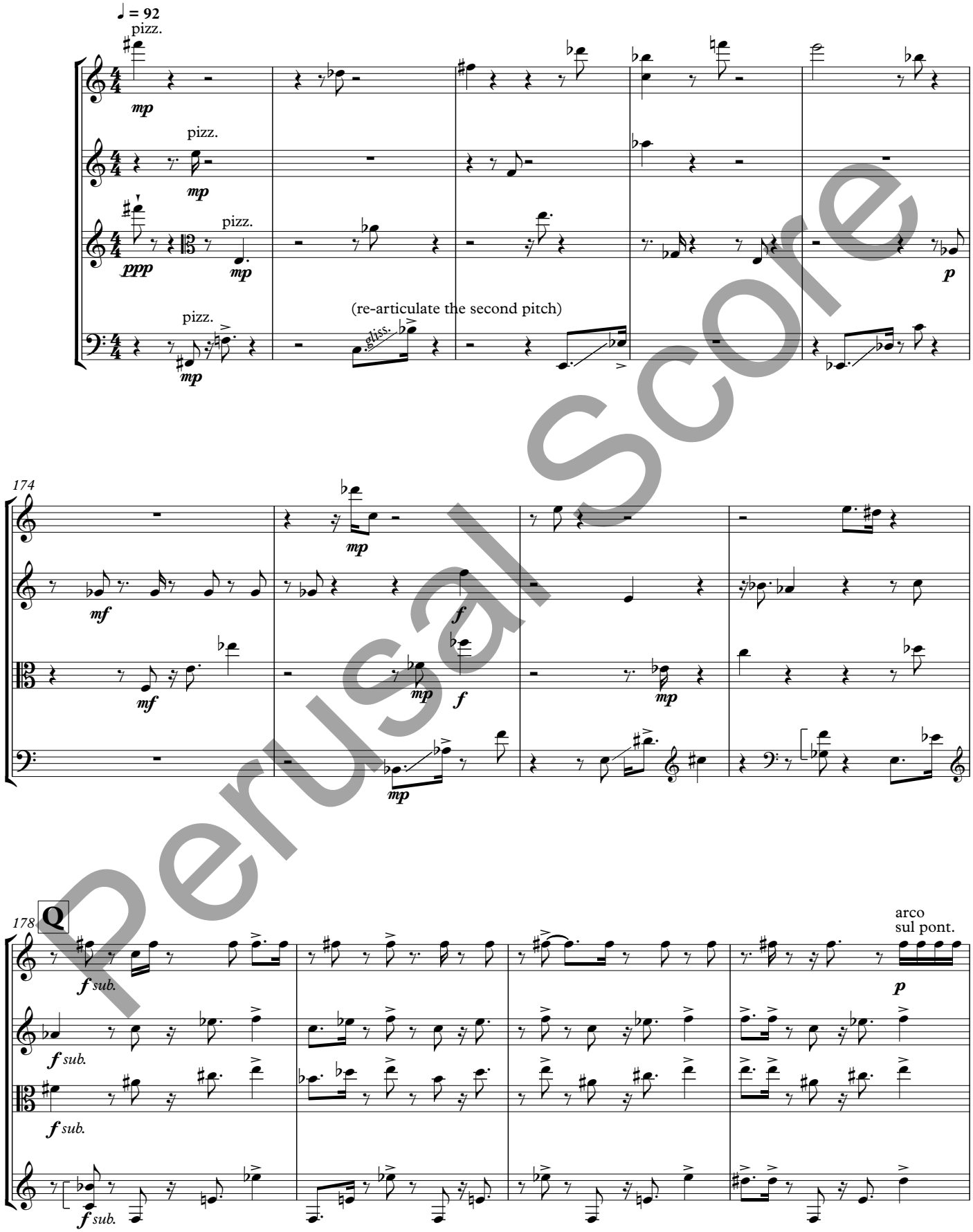
IV. condensation



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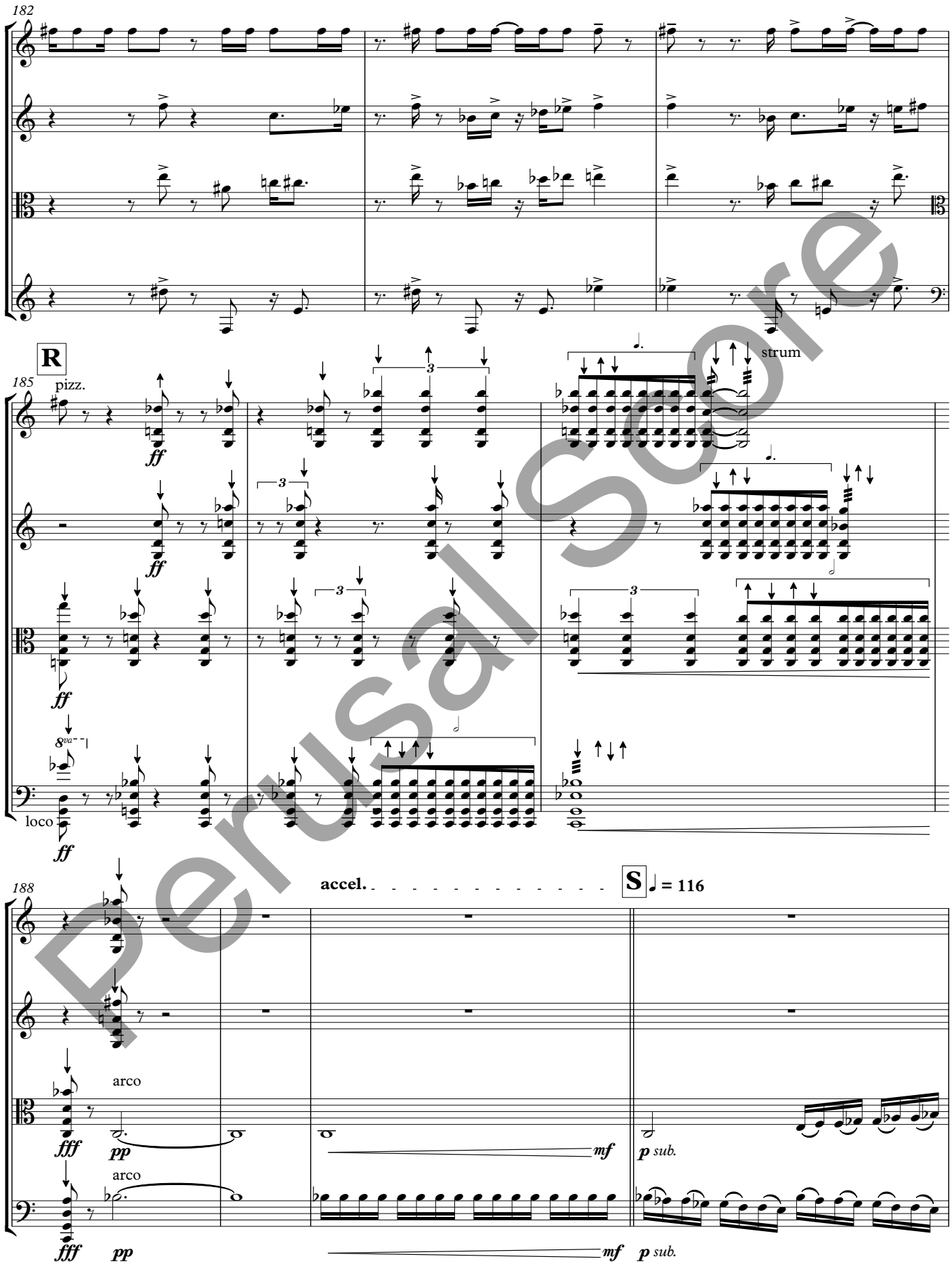

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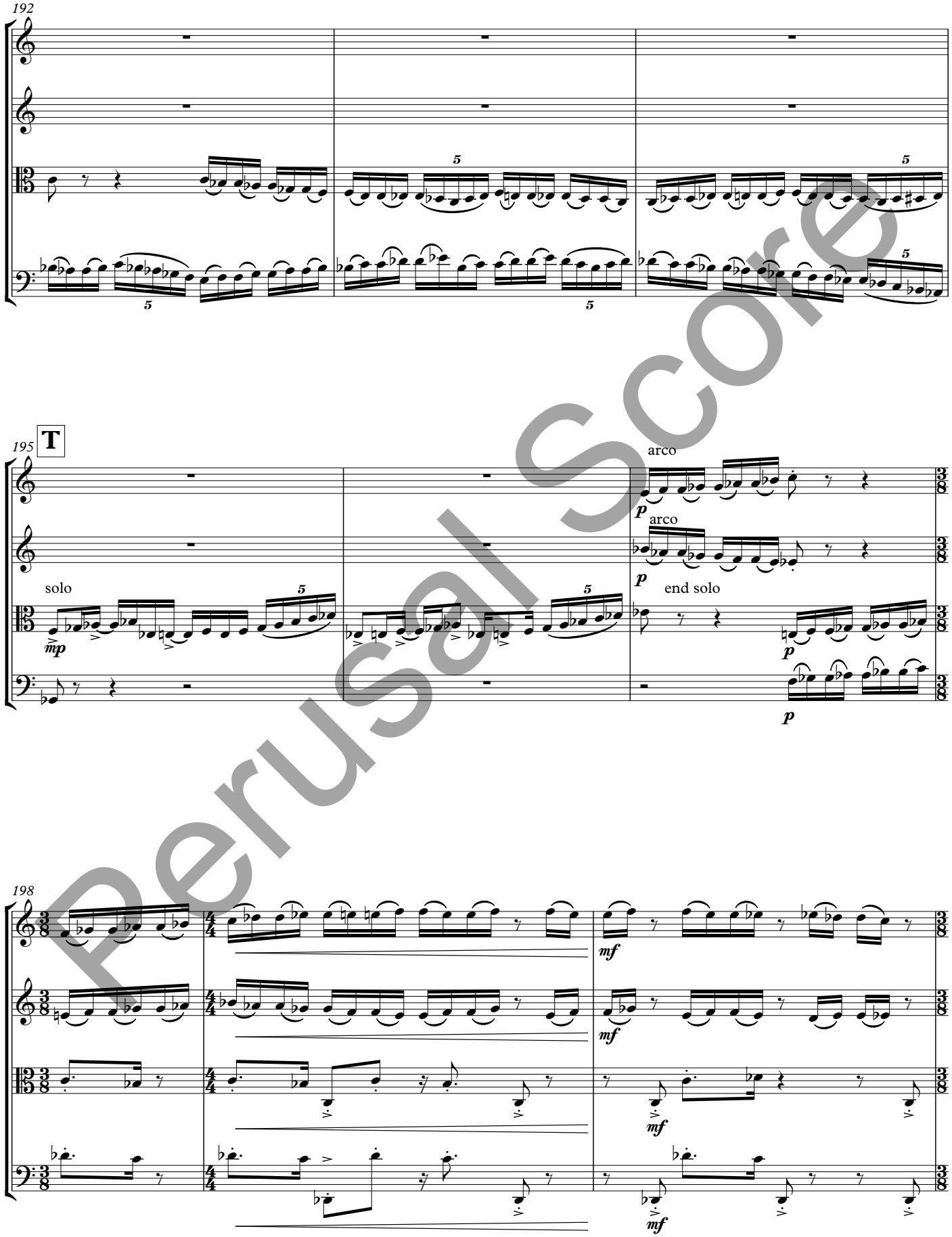

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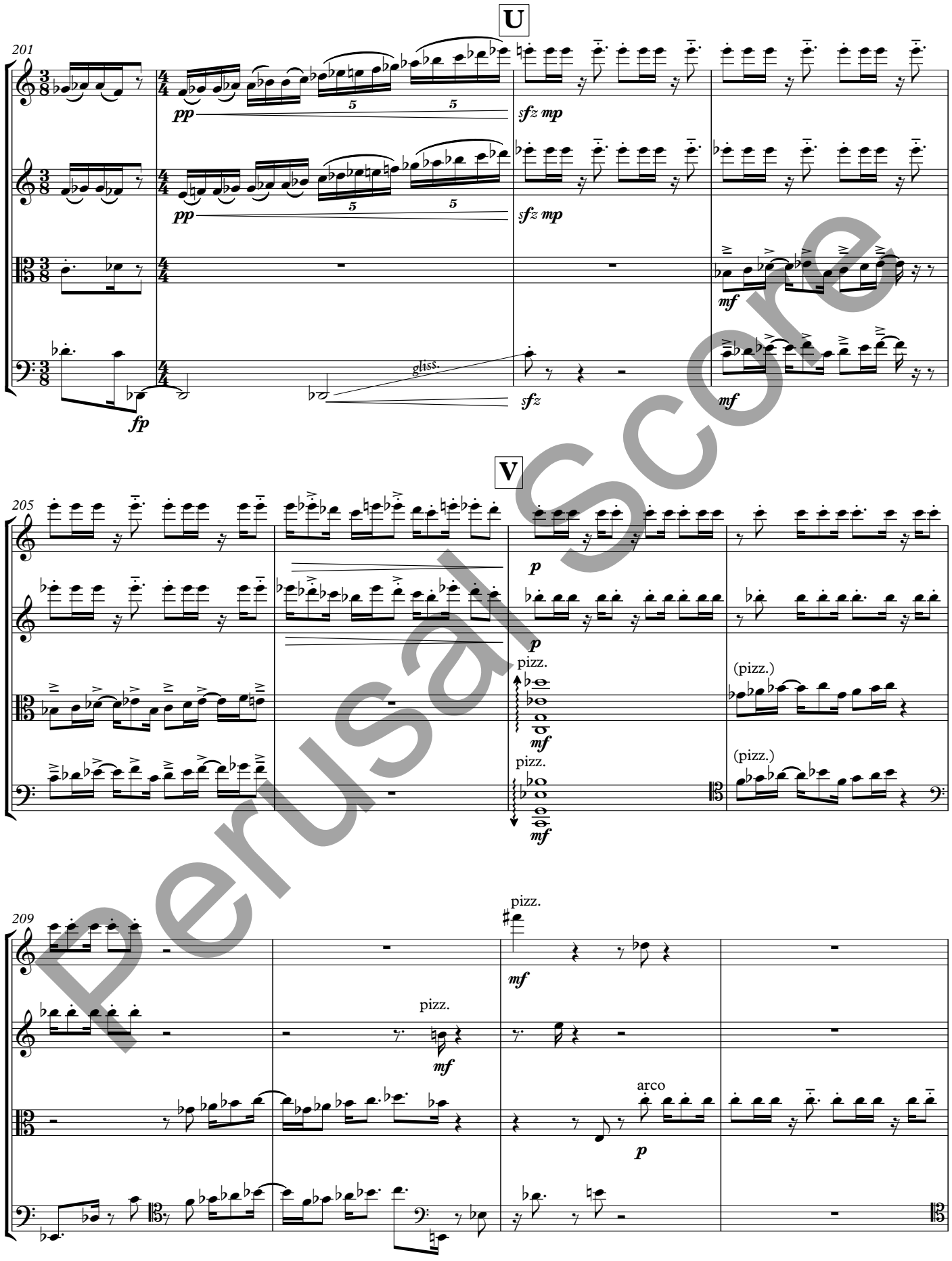

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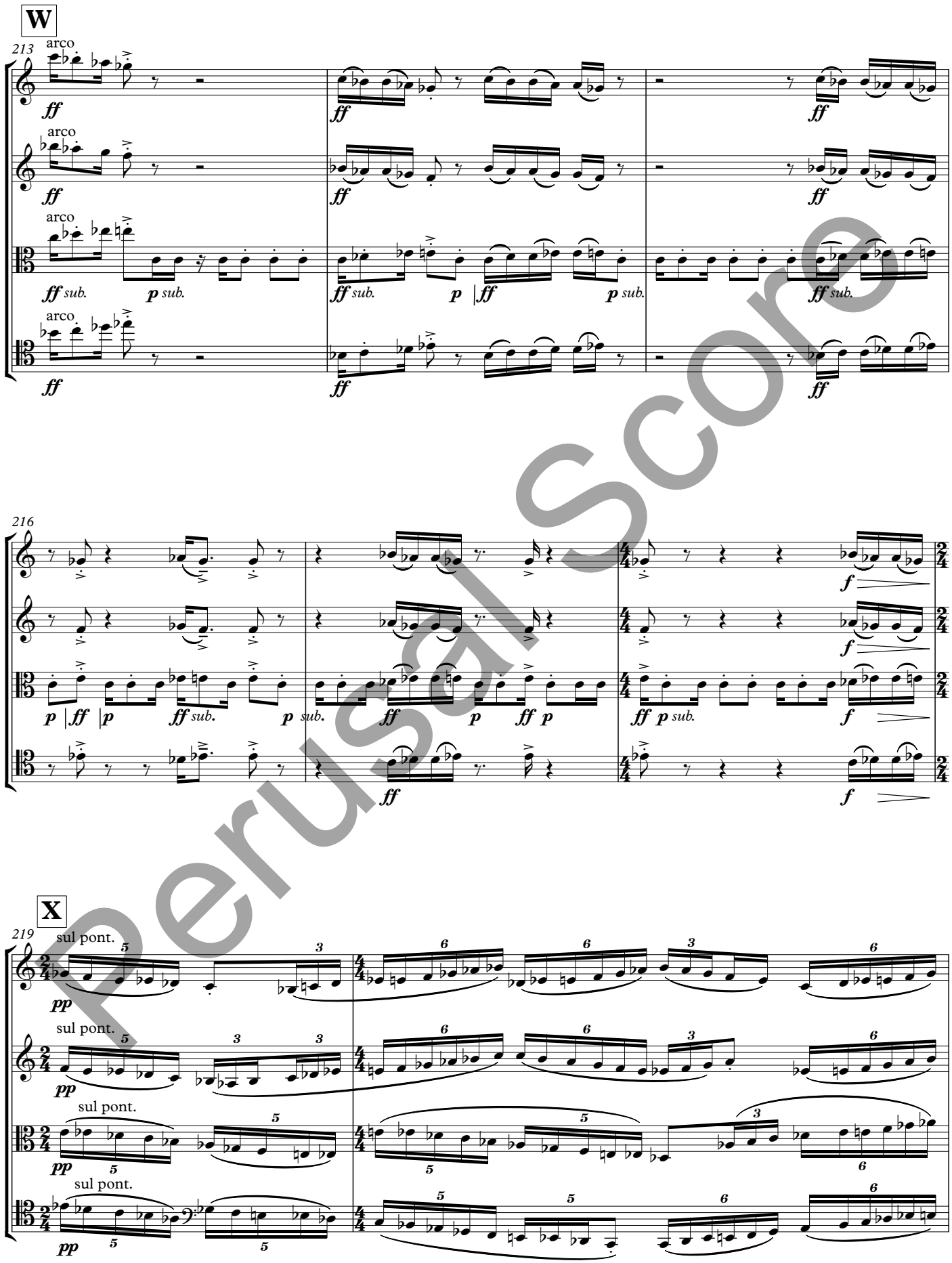

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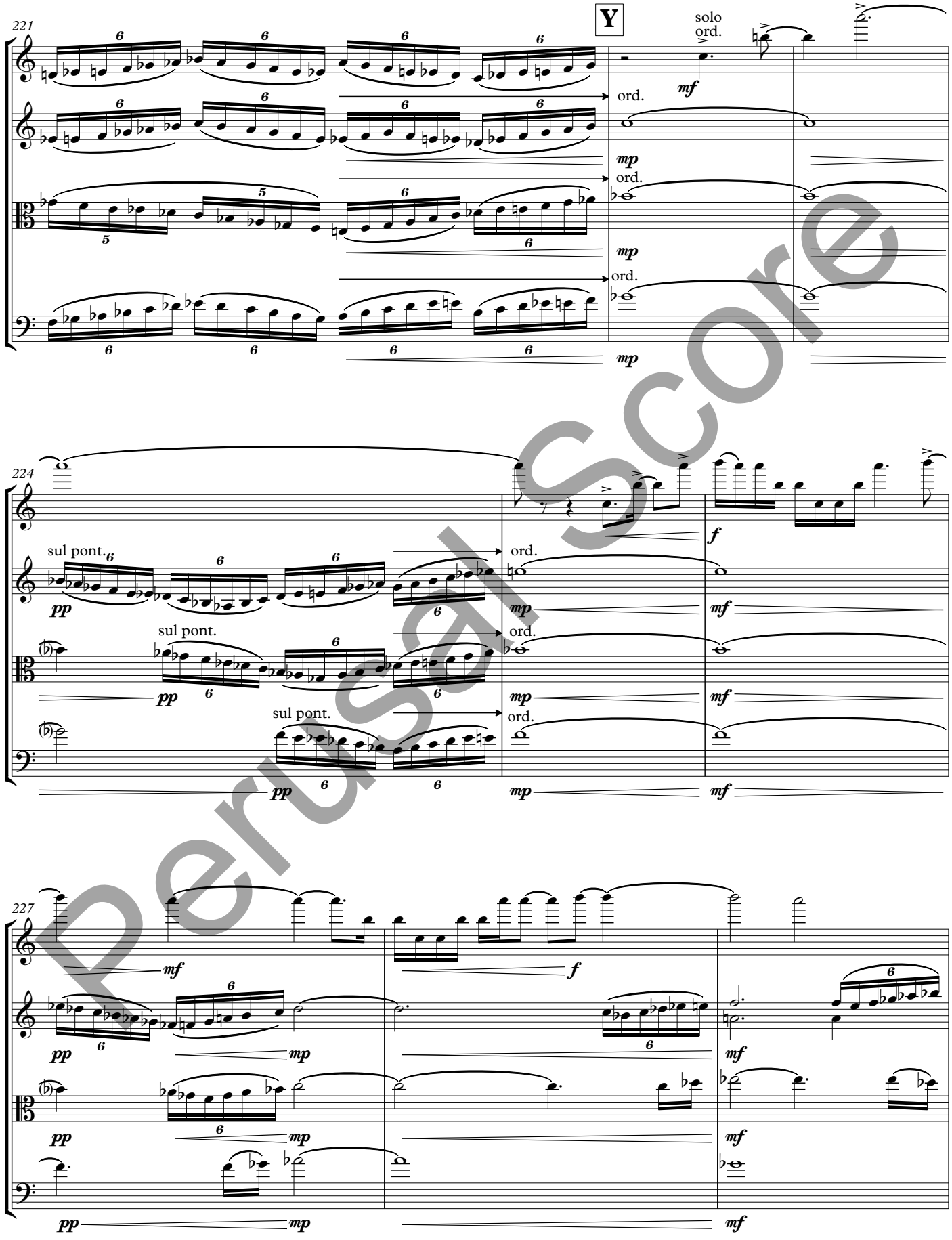

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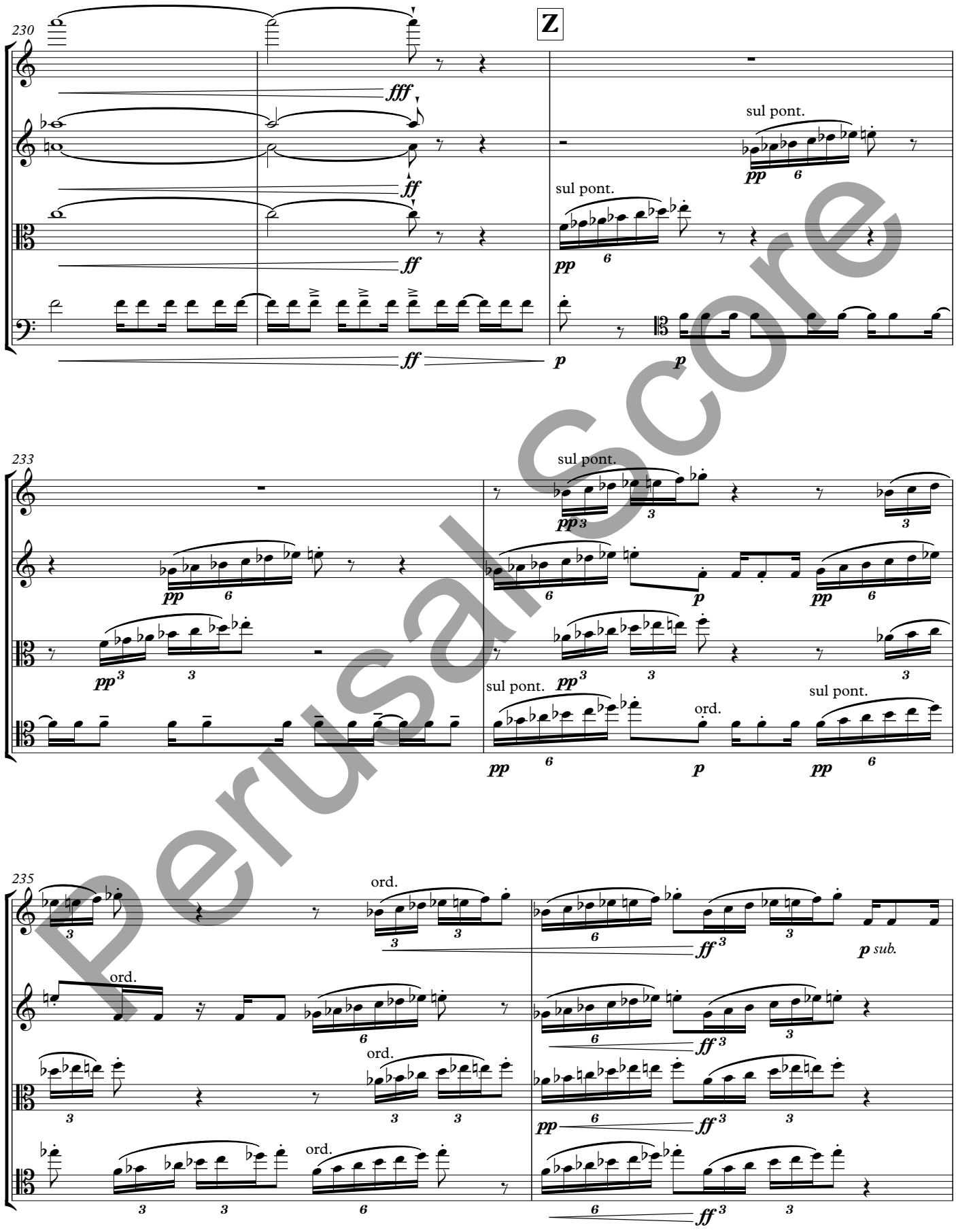

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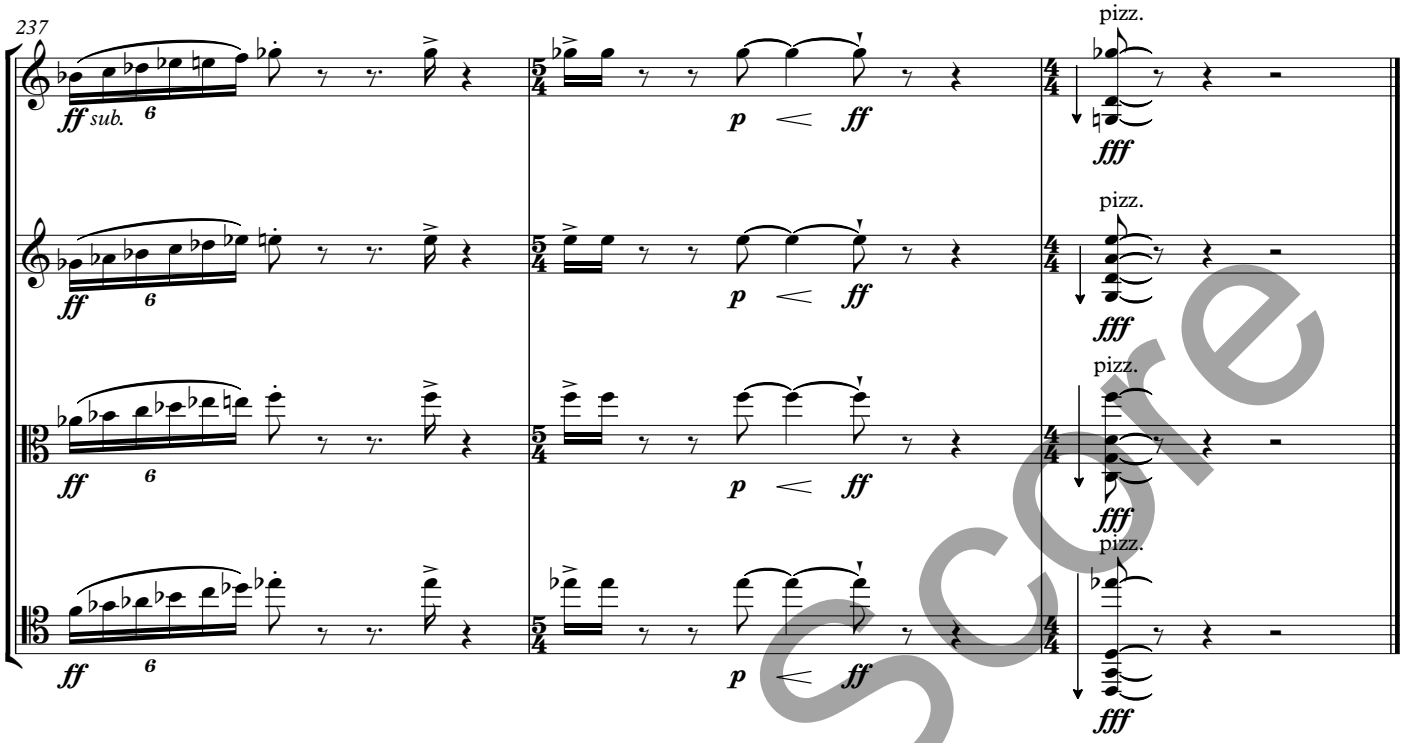

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