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schulz's hourglass

for cello and piano

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This work was commissioned for the cellist Jamie Walton
and pianist Daniel Grimwood thanks to the great generosity of
Richard and Diana Toeman and of Adrian and Barbara Davis;
it is dedicated to the memory of Richard Toeman.

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Jamie Walton (cello), Daniel Grimwood (piano)
Wigmore Hall, London

"Yes, such offshoots of time do exist, somewhat illegal and problematic, it's true, but when one carries such contraband as we do, supernumerary and unclassifiable events, one cannot be excessively fastidious…"

*(*Bruno Schulz: *The Sanatorium under the Sign of the Hourglass)*

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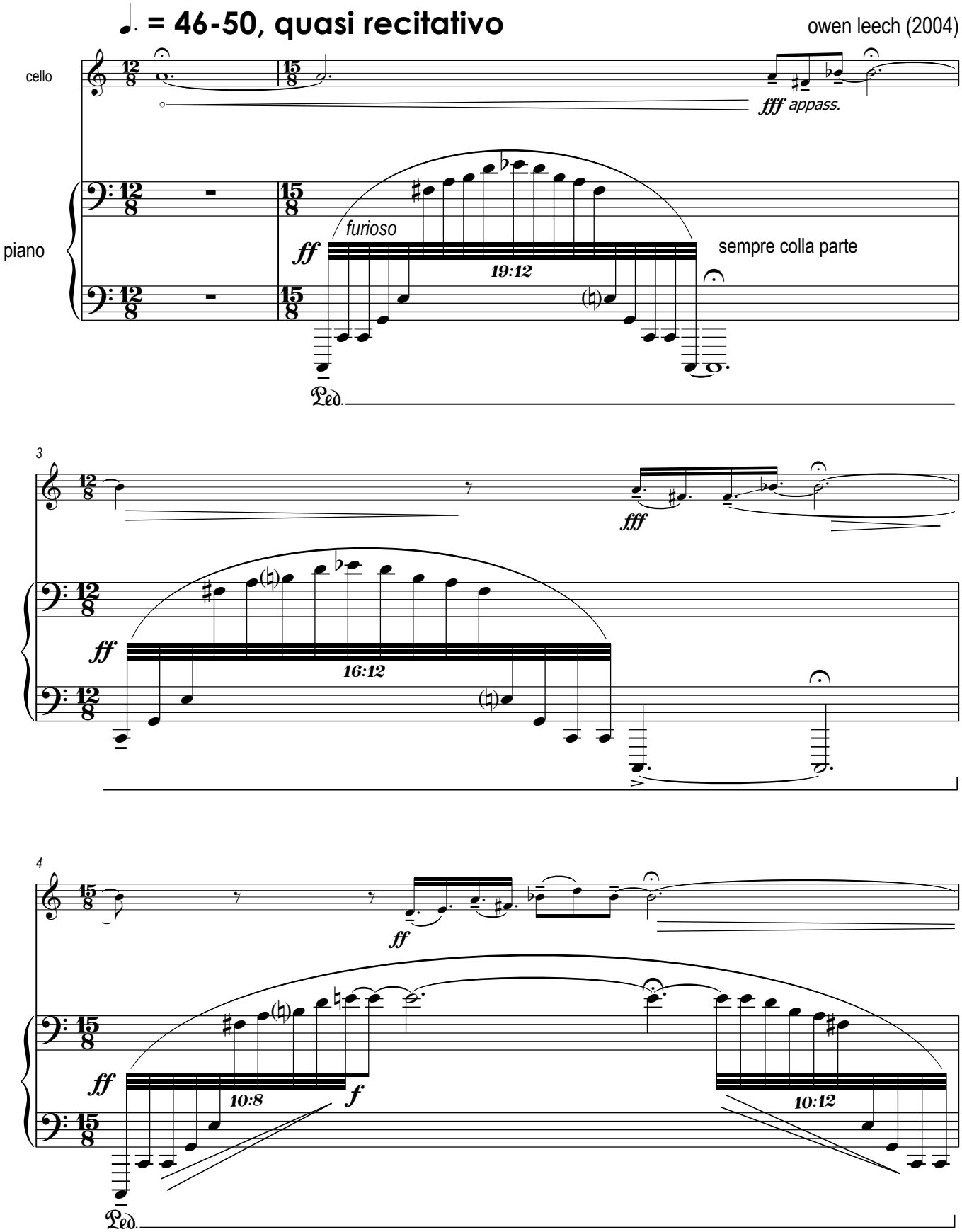

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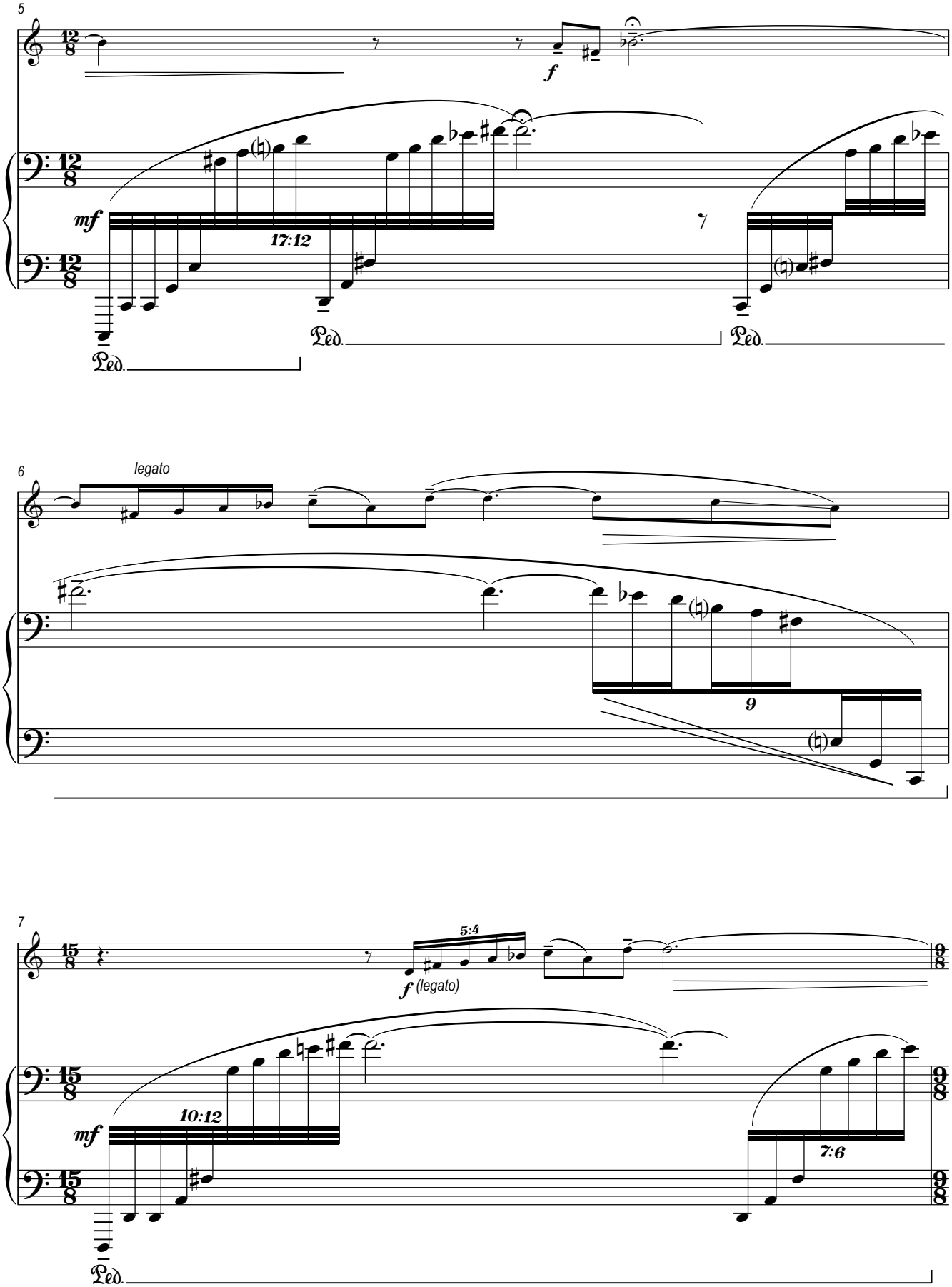
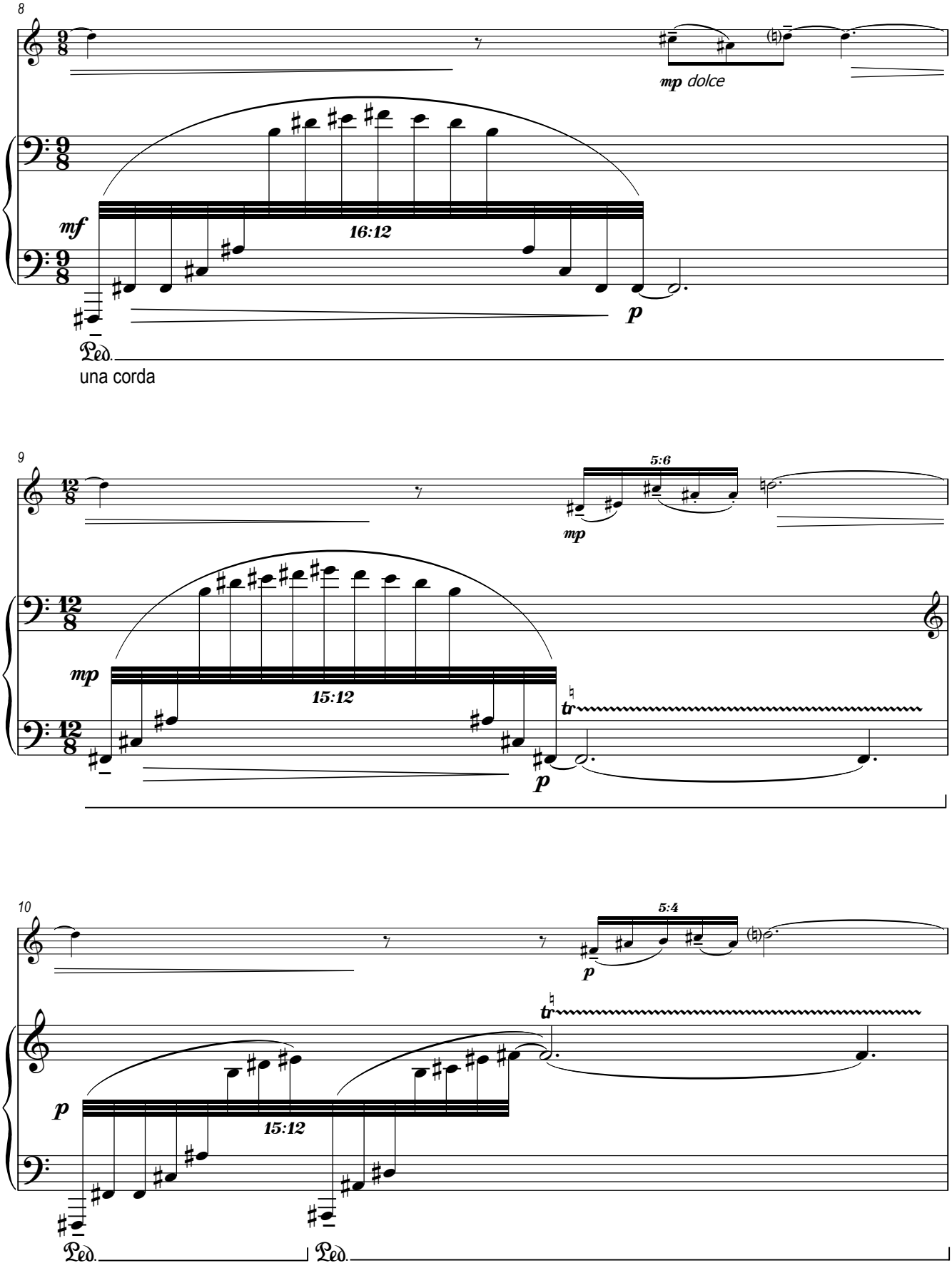
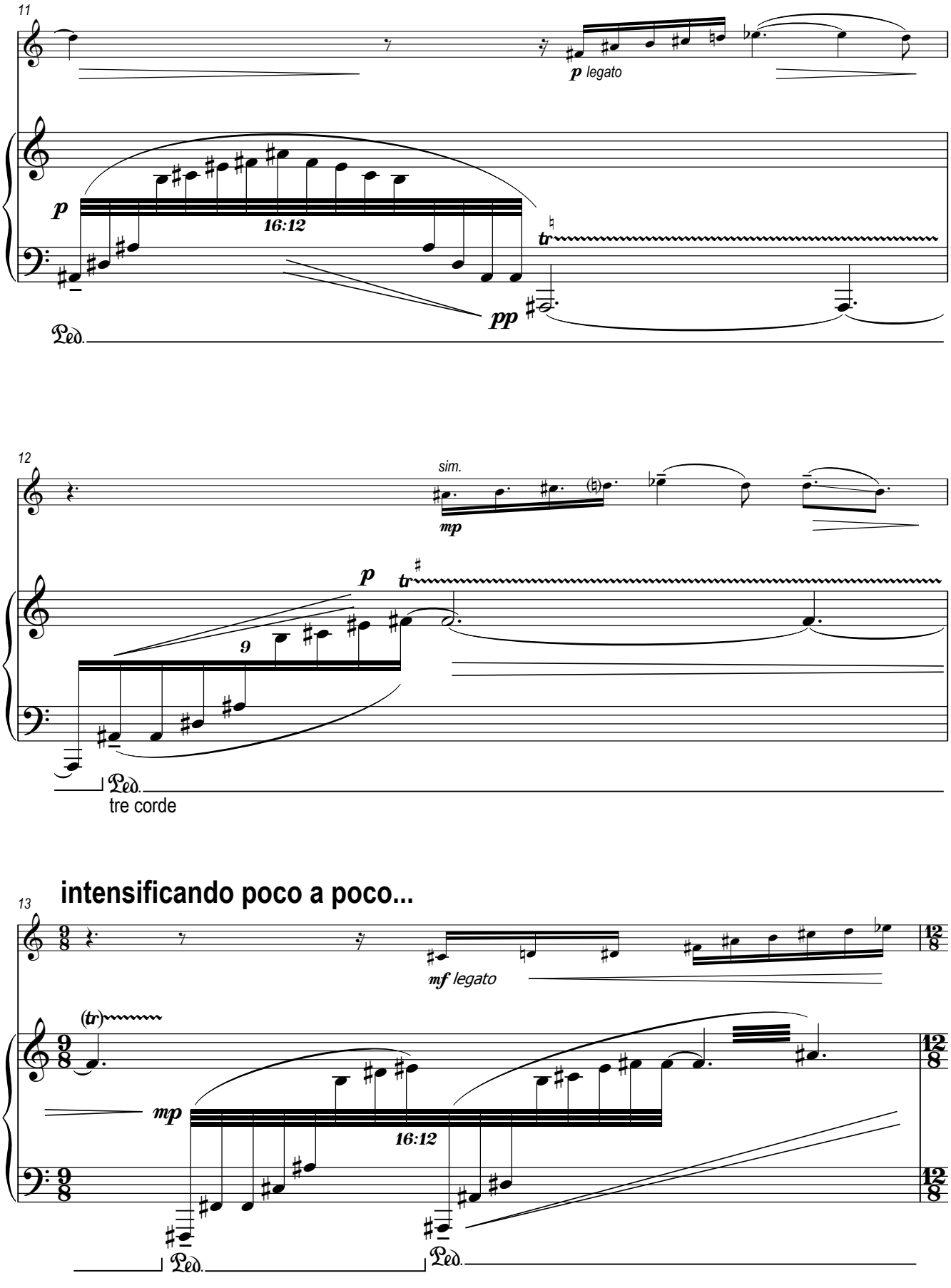
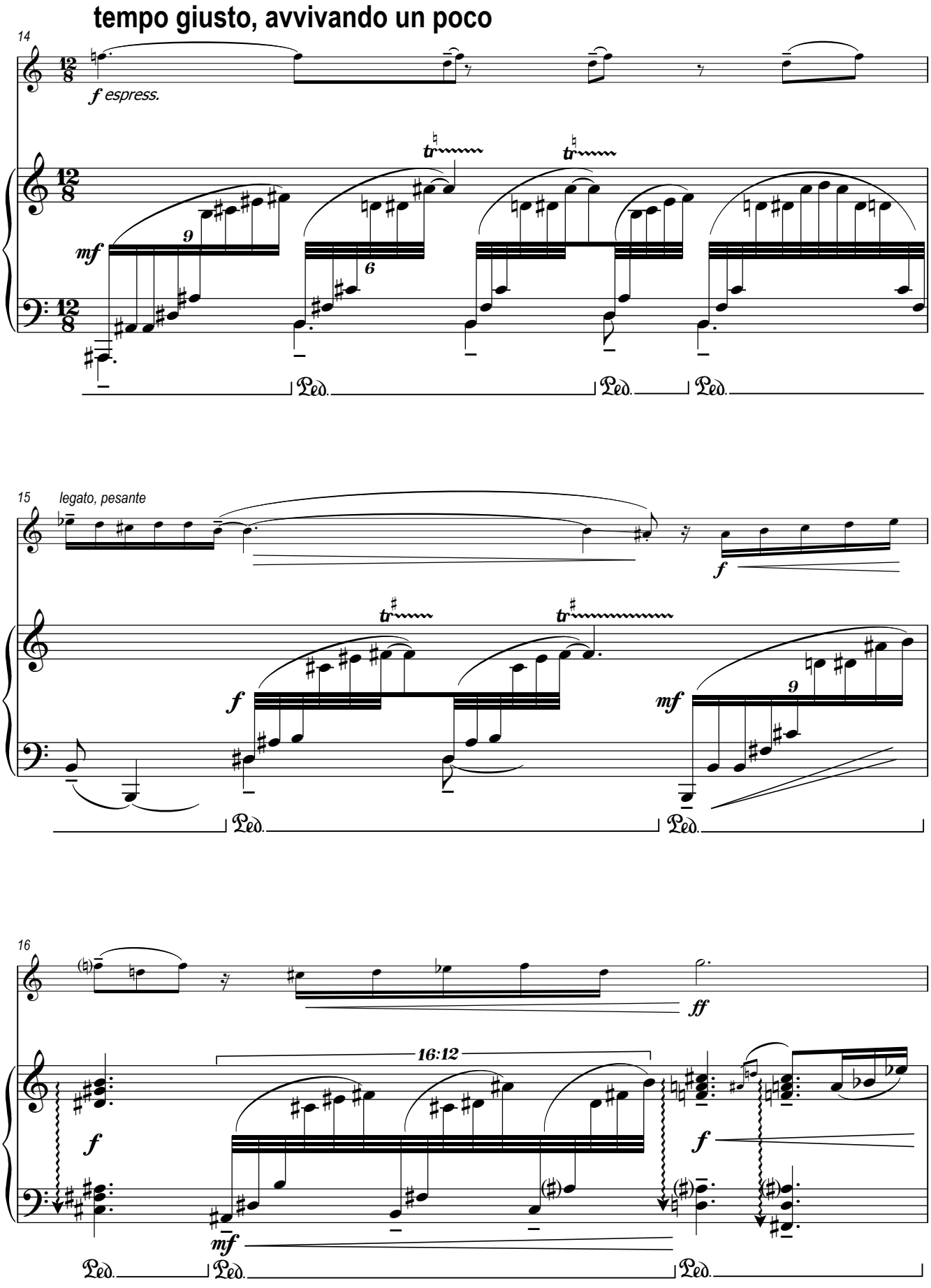
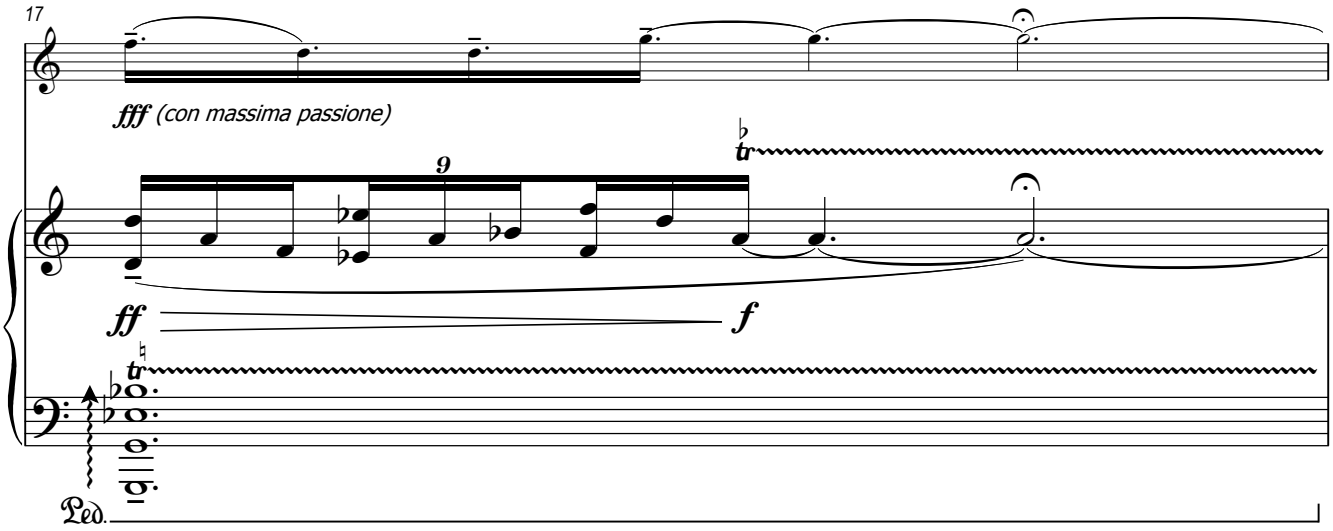
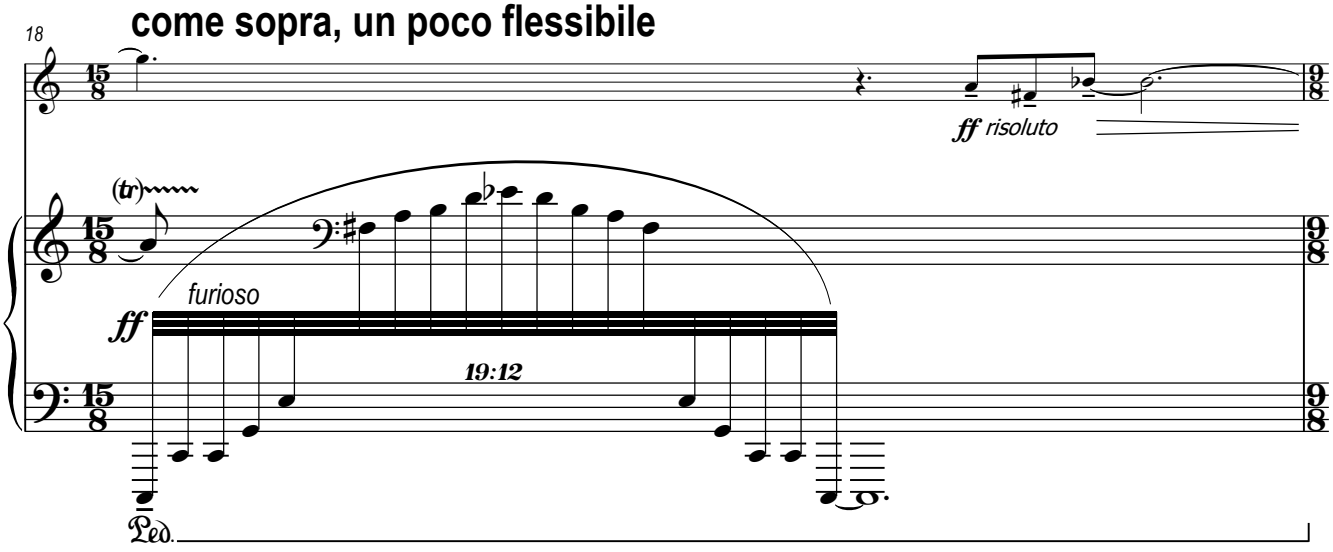

5
f
mf
17:12
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
6
legato
9
7
5:4
f (legato)
mf
10:12
7:6
Ped.

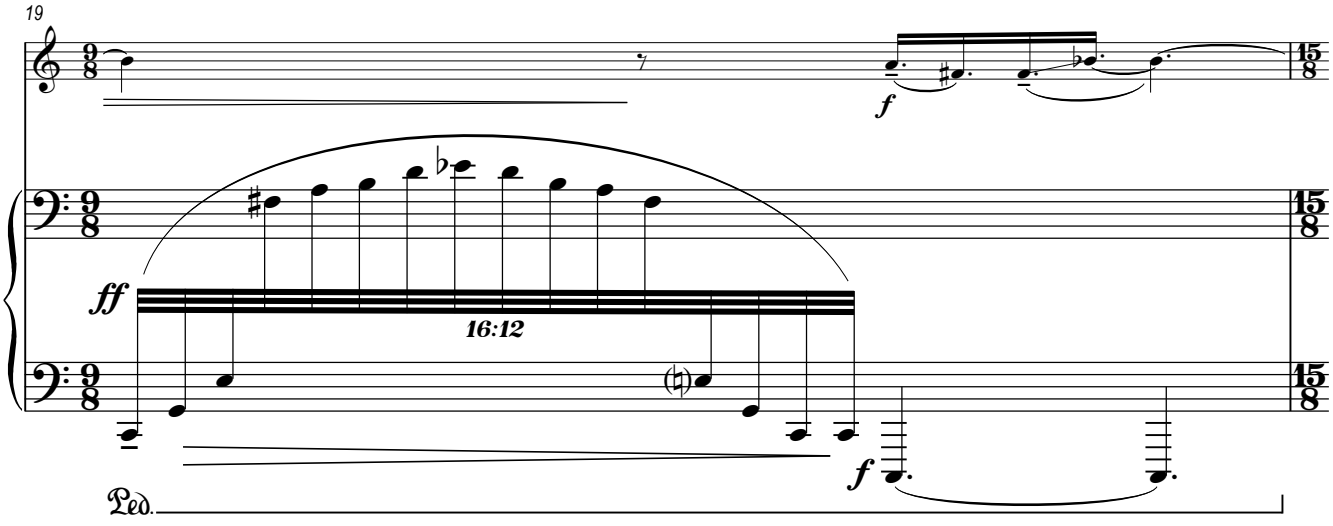

8
mp dolce
mf
16:12
p
Ped.
una corda
9
5:6
mp
mp
15:12
tr
p
10
5:4
p
tr
p
15:12
Ped.
Ped.

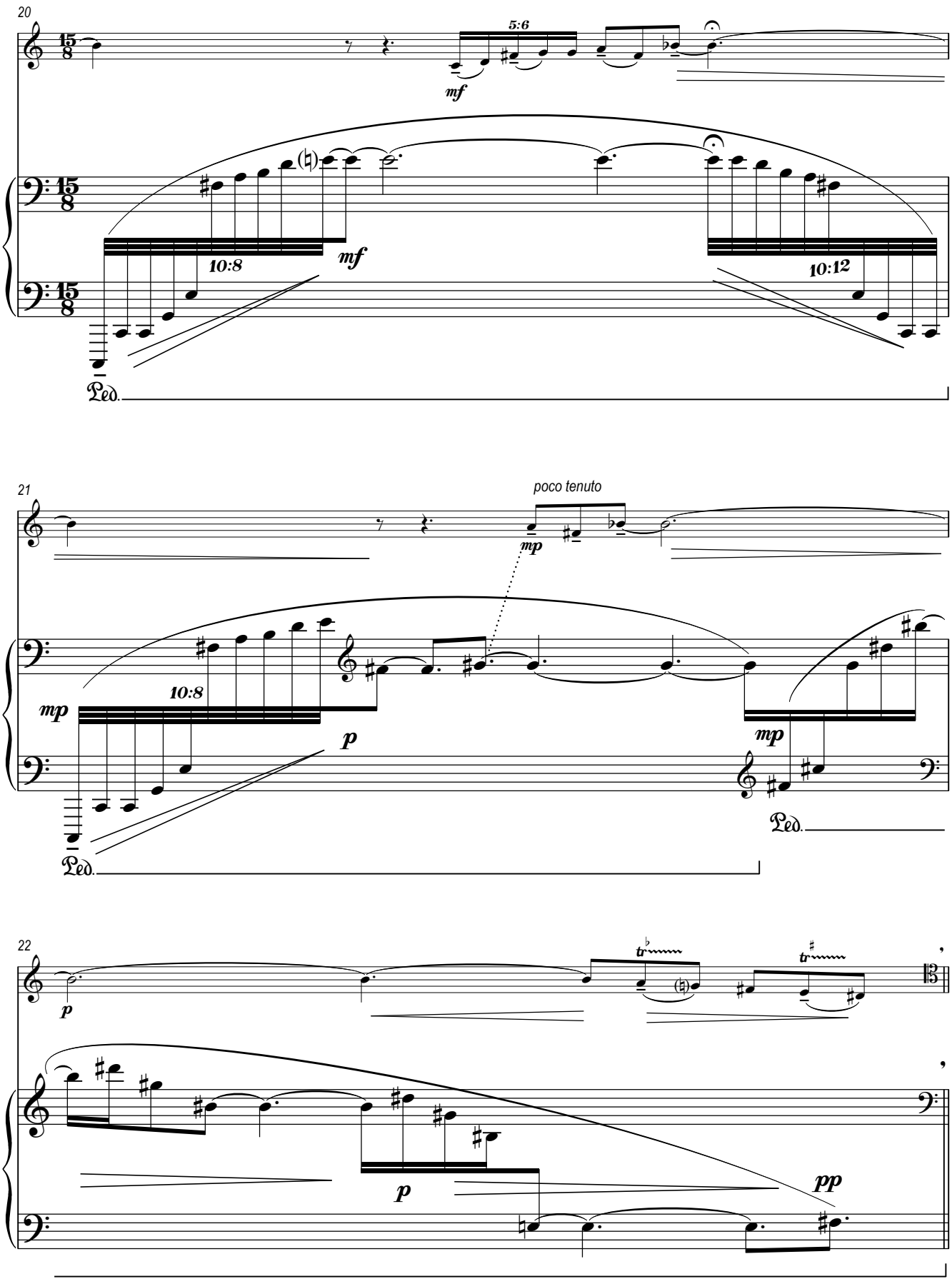

11
p legato
p
16:12
tr
pp
Ped.
12
sim.
mp
p
tr
9
Ped.
tre corde
13
intensificando poco a poco...
mf legato
(tr)
mp
16:12
Ped.
Ped.


tempo giusto, avvivando un poco
14
f espress.
mf
tr
tr
9
6
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
15
legato, pesante
f
tr
tr
f
mf
9
Ped.
Ped.
16
ff
16:12
f
f
mf
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.

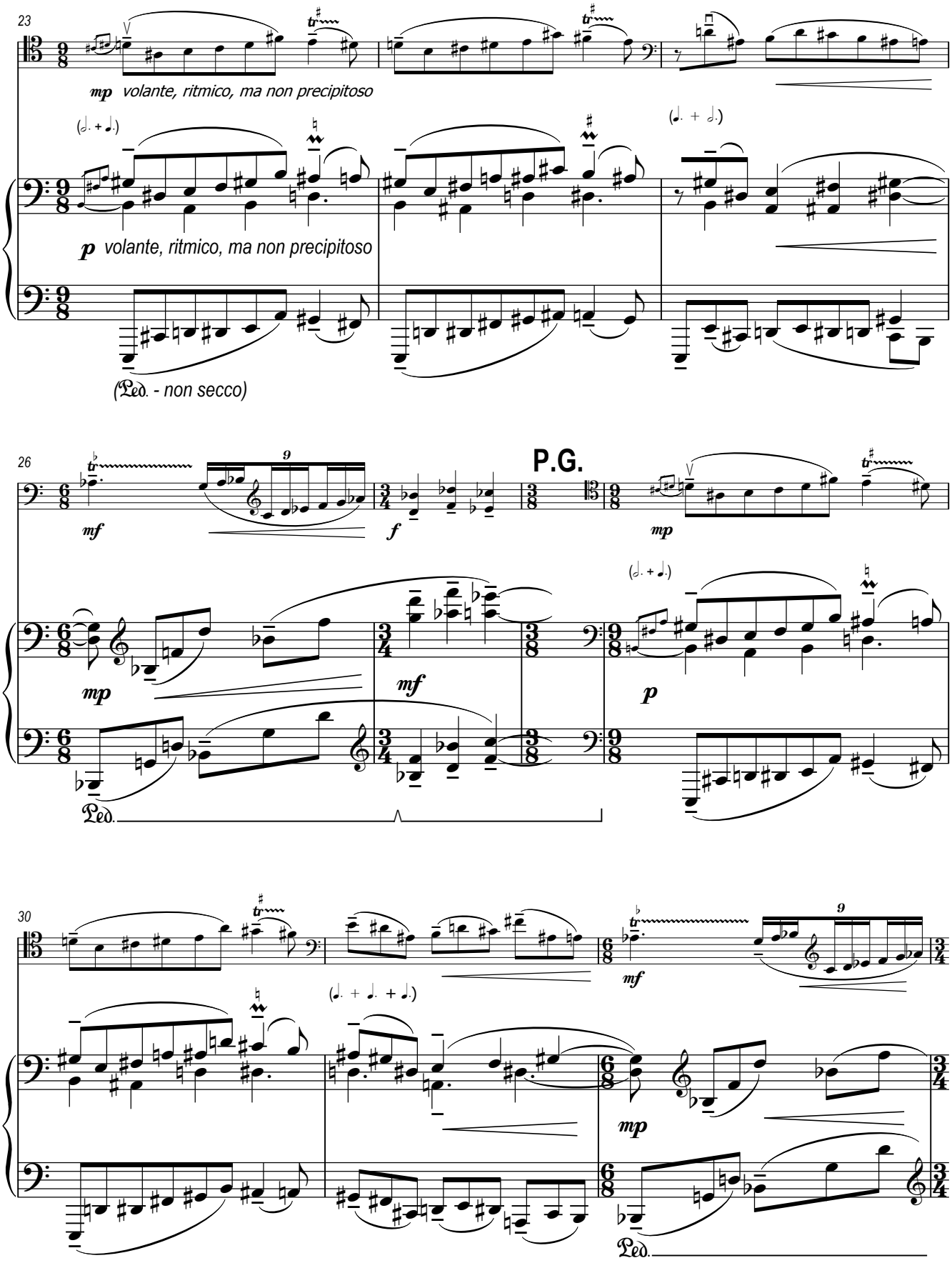

17
fff (con massima passione)
9
tr
ff
f
tr
Ped.

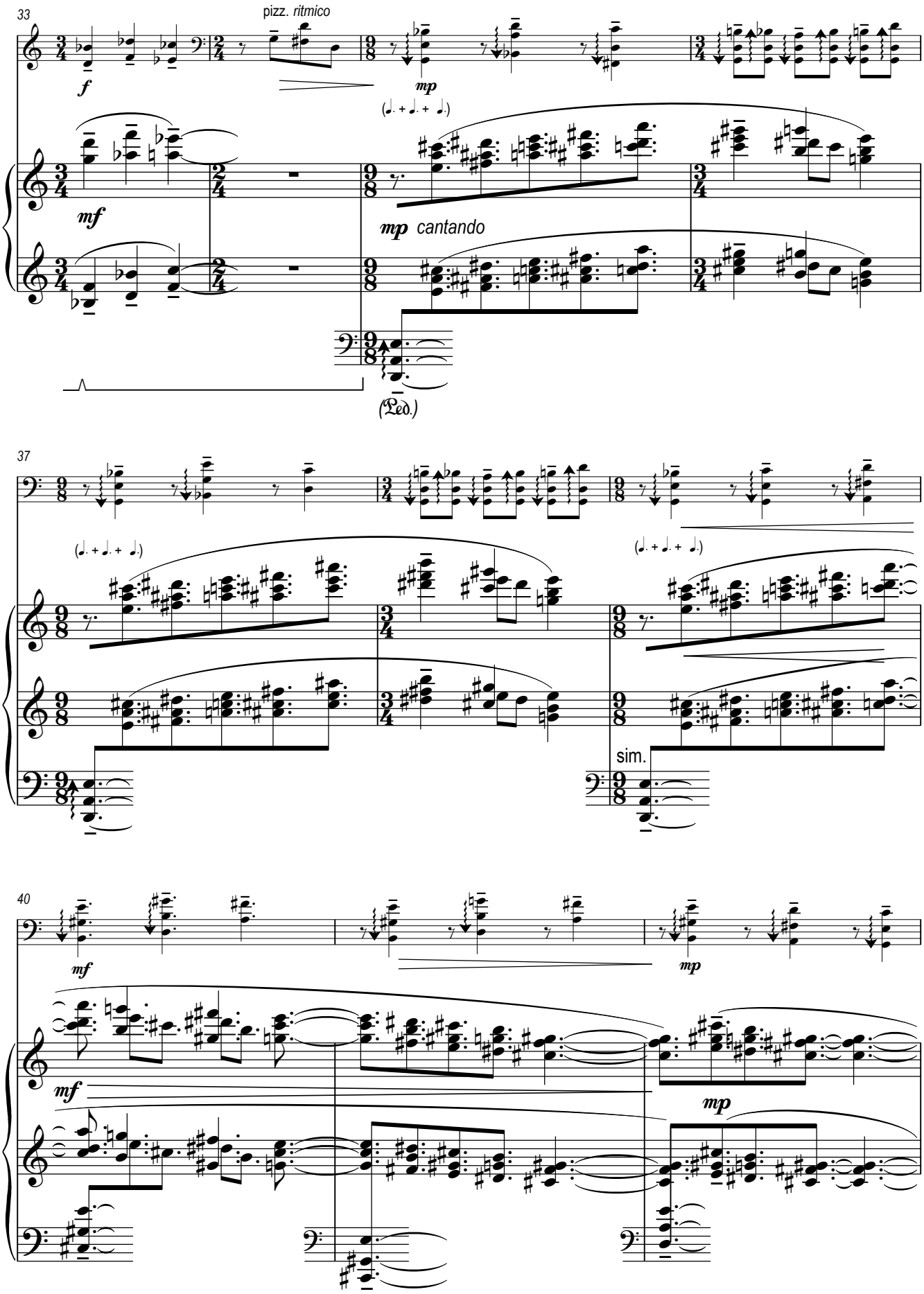

come sopra, un poco flessibile
18
ff risoluto
(tr)
furioso
ff
19:12
Ped.

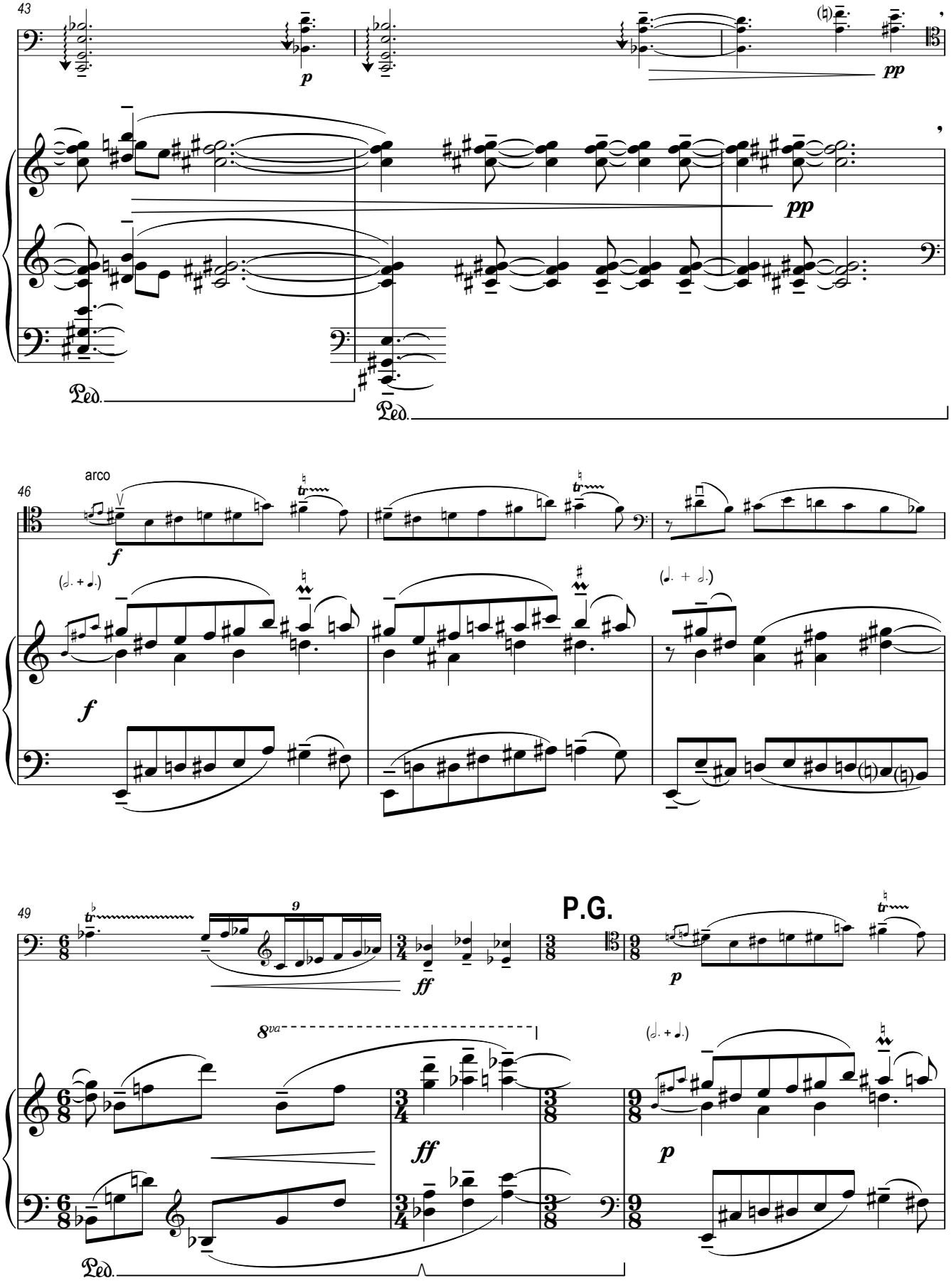

19
f
ff
16:12
f
Ped.

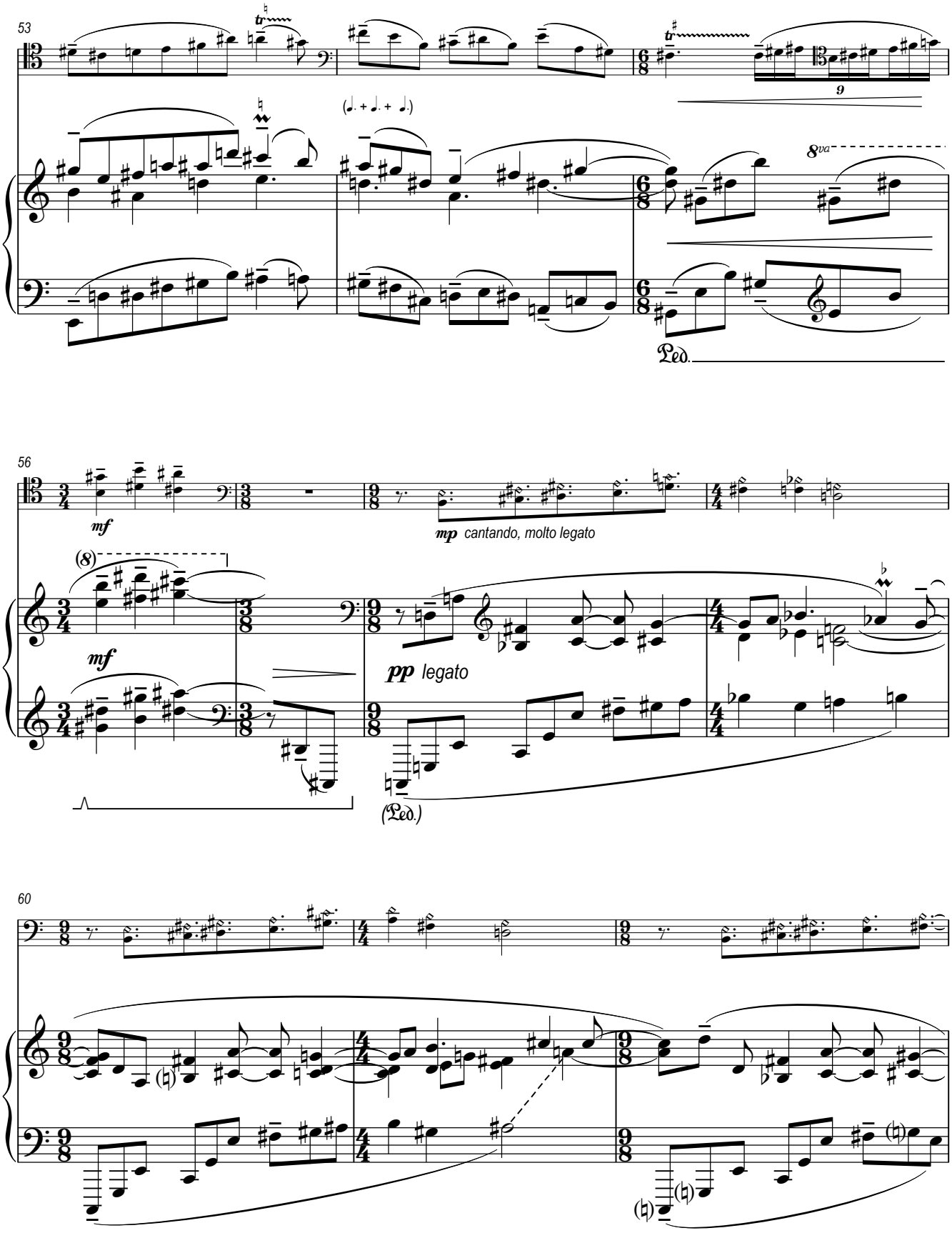

20
5:6
mf
10:8
mf
10:12
Ped.
21
poco tenuto
mp
10:8
mp
p
mp
Ped.
Ped.
22
p
p
pp

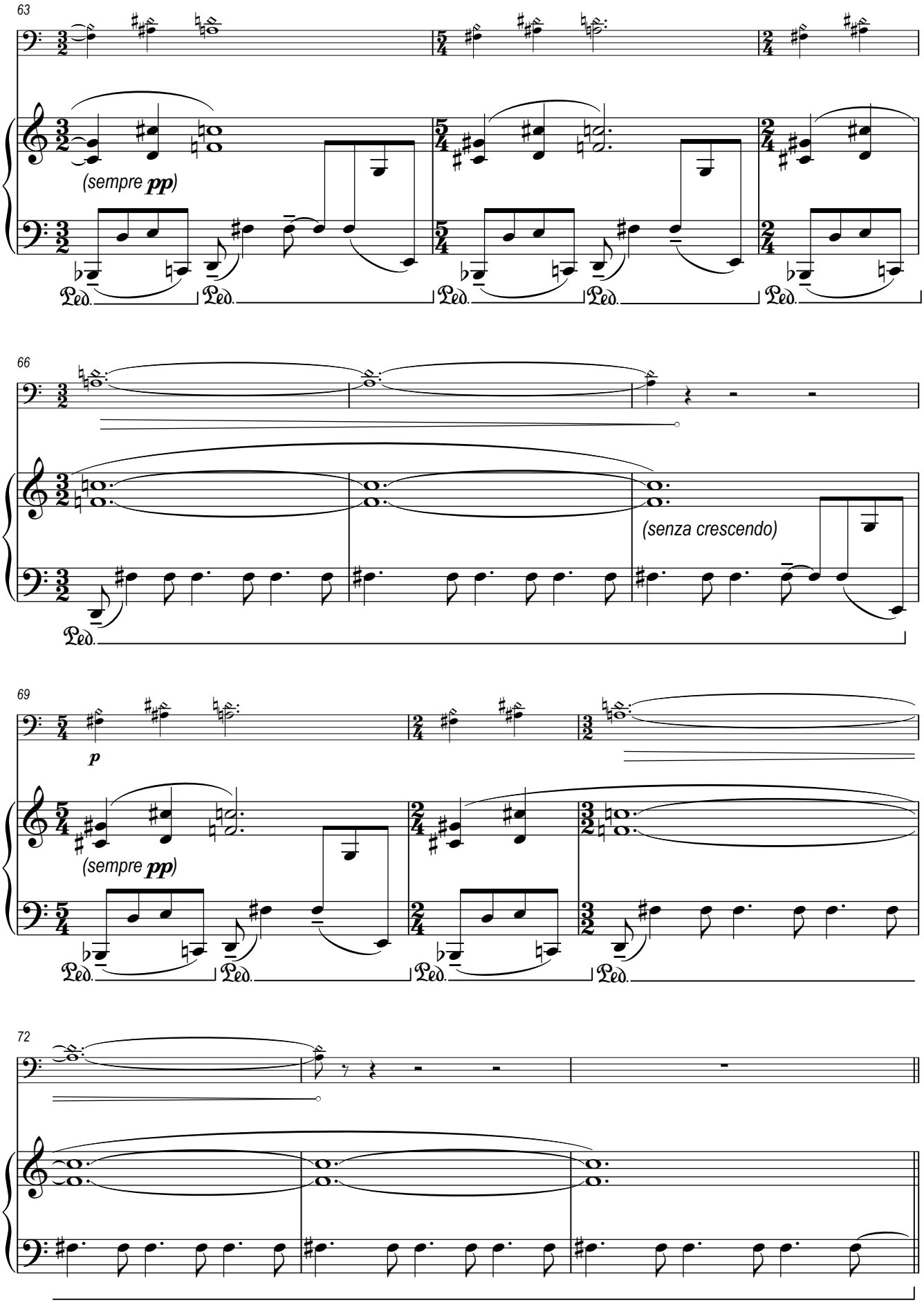
♩ = 126-130 (sempre ♪ = ♪)




33
pizz. ritmico
f
mp
(♩. + ♩. + ♩.)
mf
mp cantando
(Ped.)
37
(♩. + ♩. + ♩.)
(♩. + ♩. + ♩.)
sim.
40
mf
mp
mf
mp

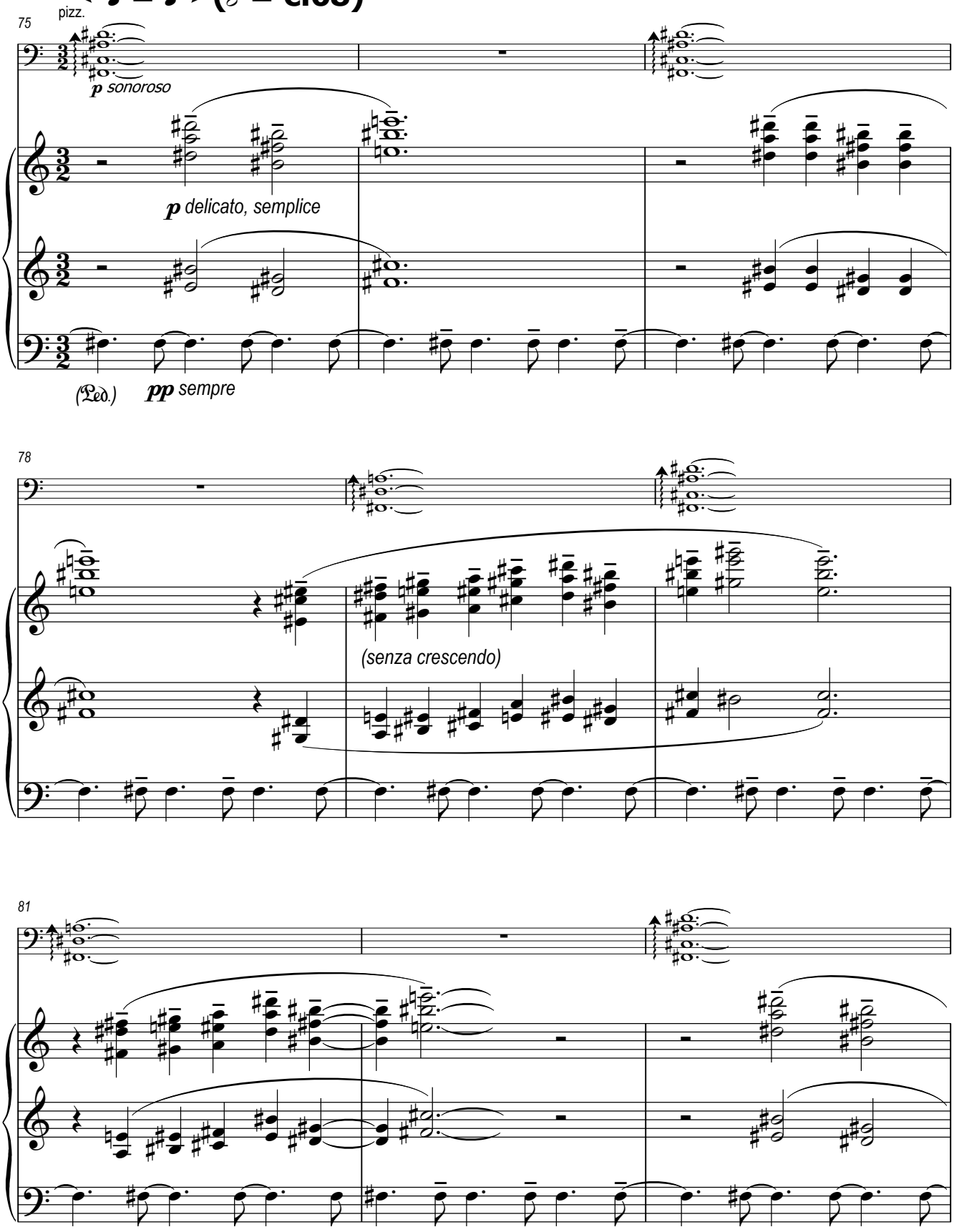

43
p
pp
pp
Ped.
Ped.
46
arco
f
f
49
9
ff
P.G.
p
8va
ff
p
Ped.

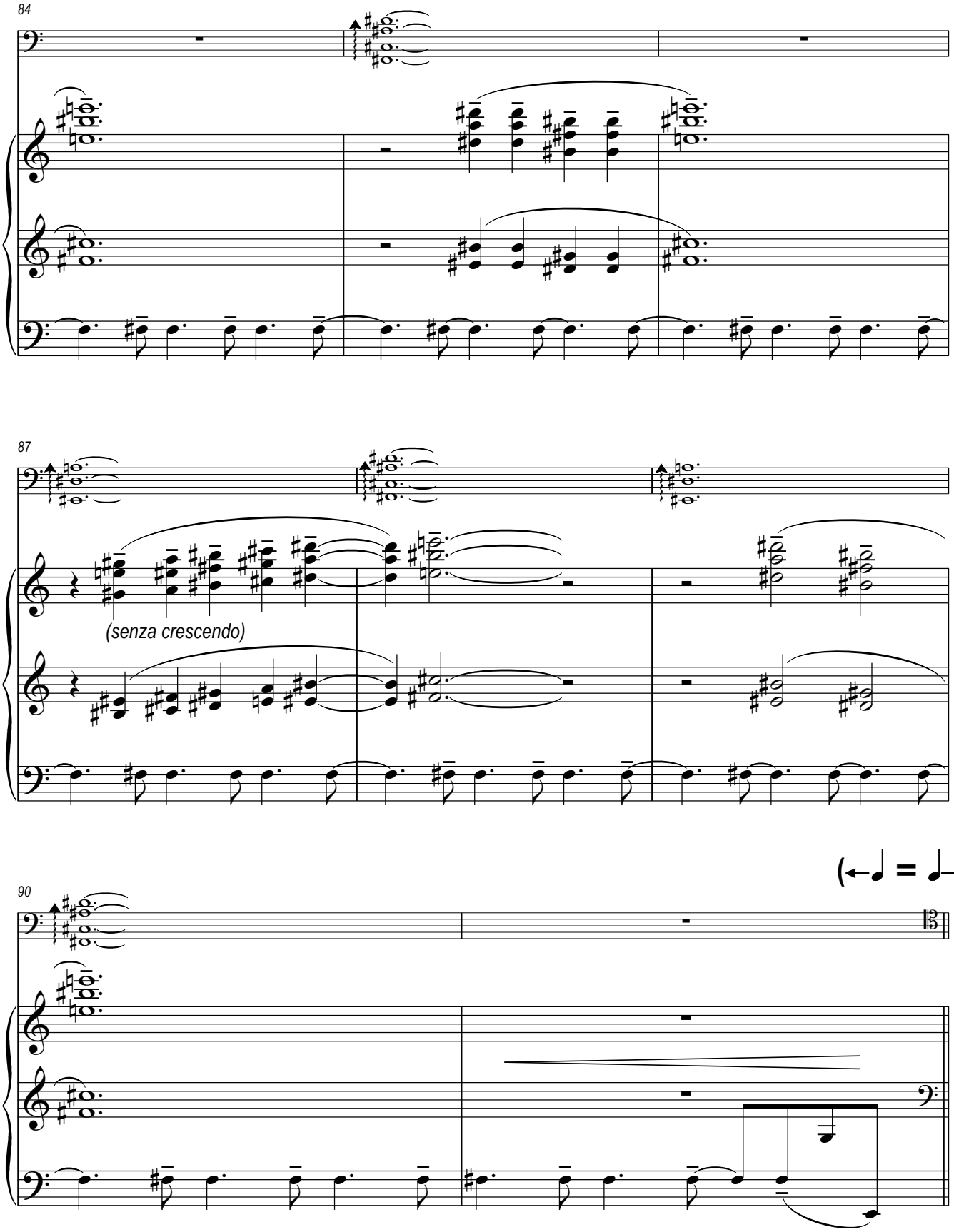

53
(♩. + ♩. + ♩.)
8va
Ped.
56
mf
mp cantando, molto legato
(8)
mf
pp legato
(Ped.)
60

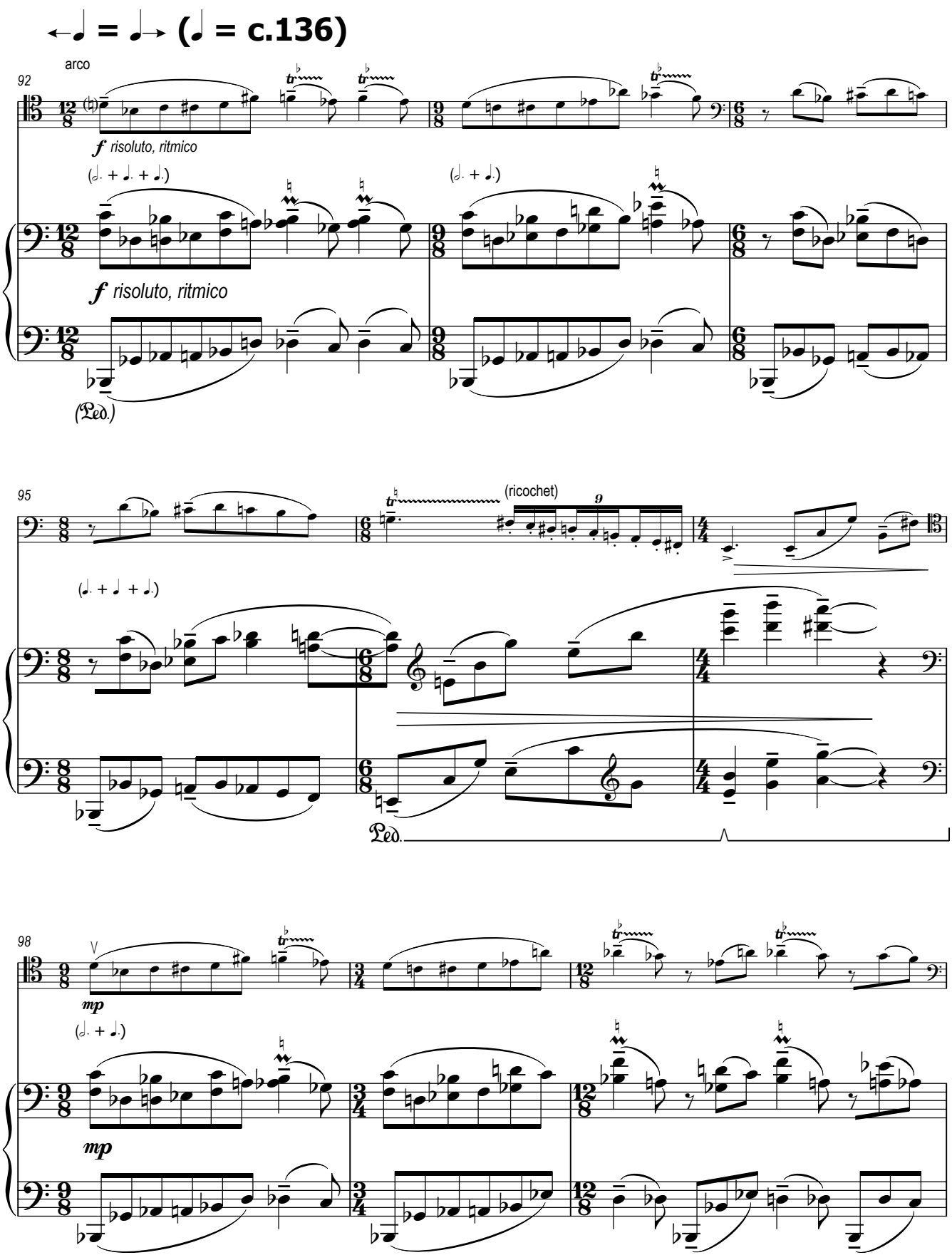

63
(sempre pp)
Ped.
66
(senza crescendo)
69
p
(sempre pp)
72

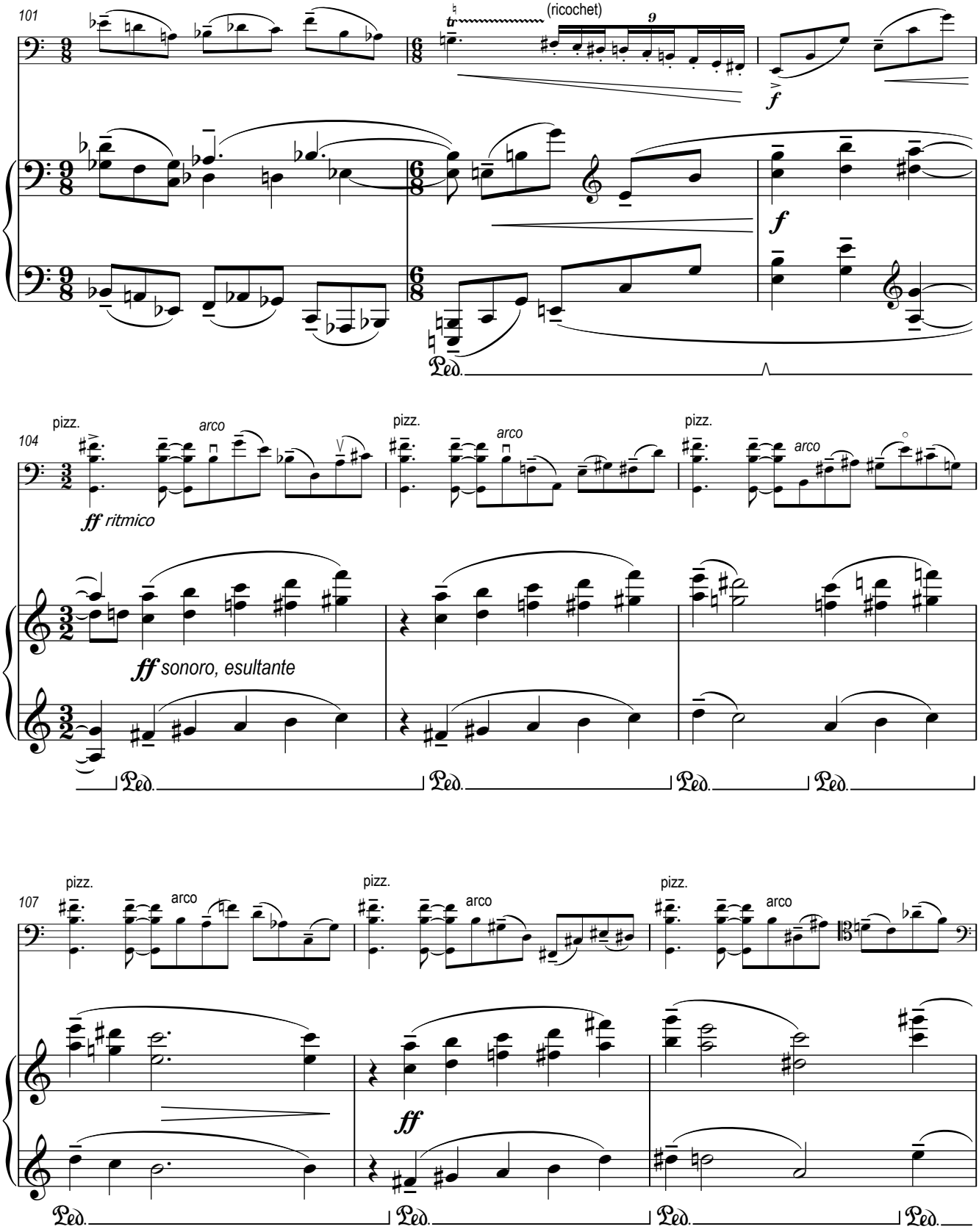
l'istesso tempo

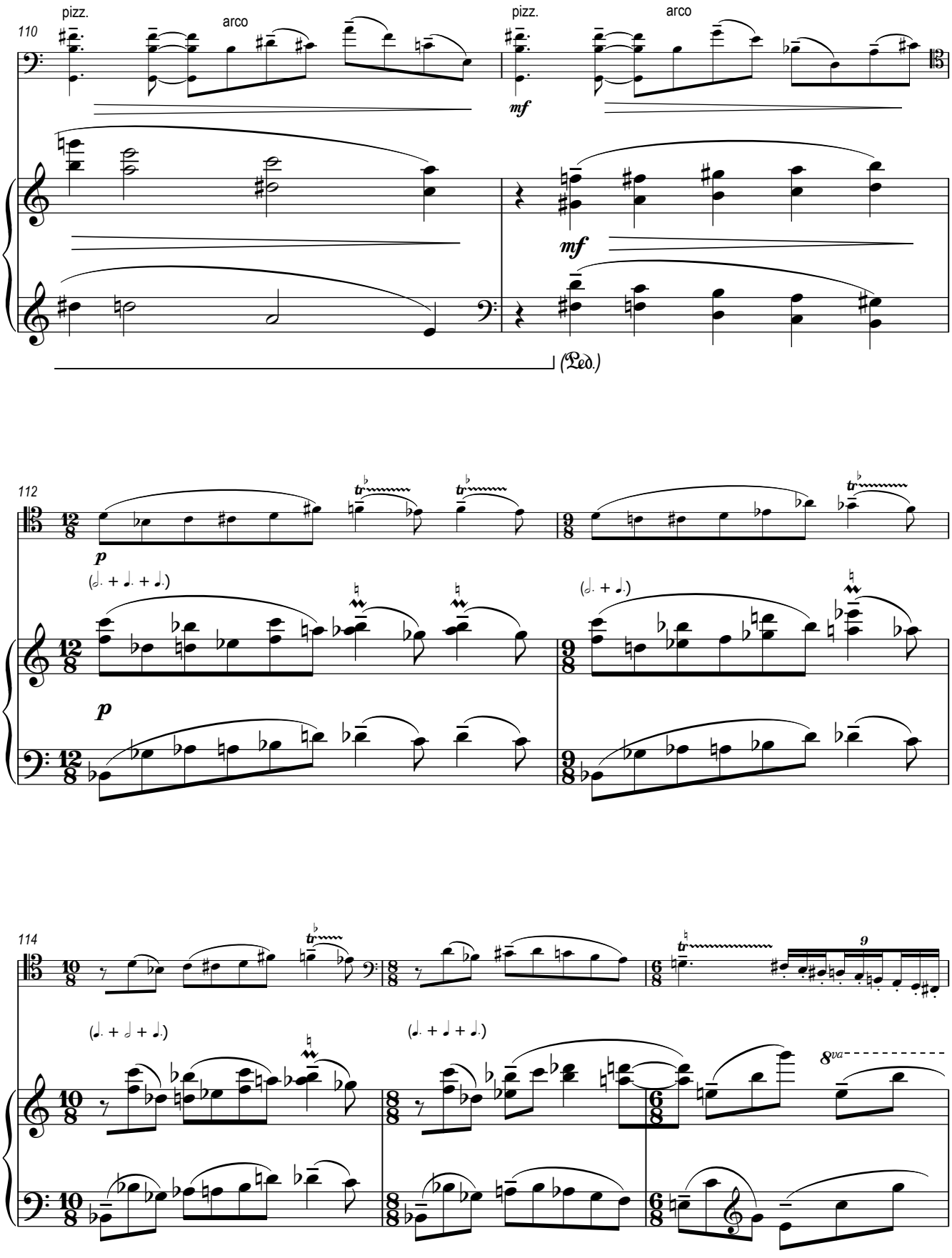
←♩ = ♩→ (𝅗𝅥 = c.68)

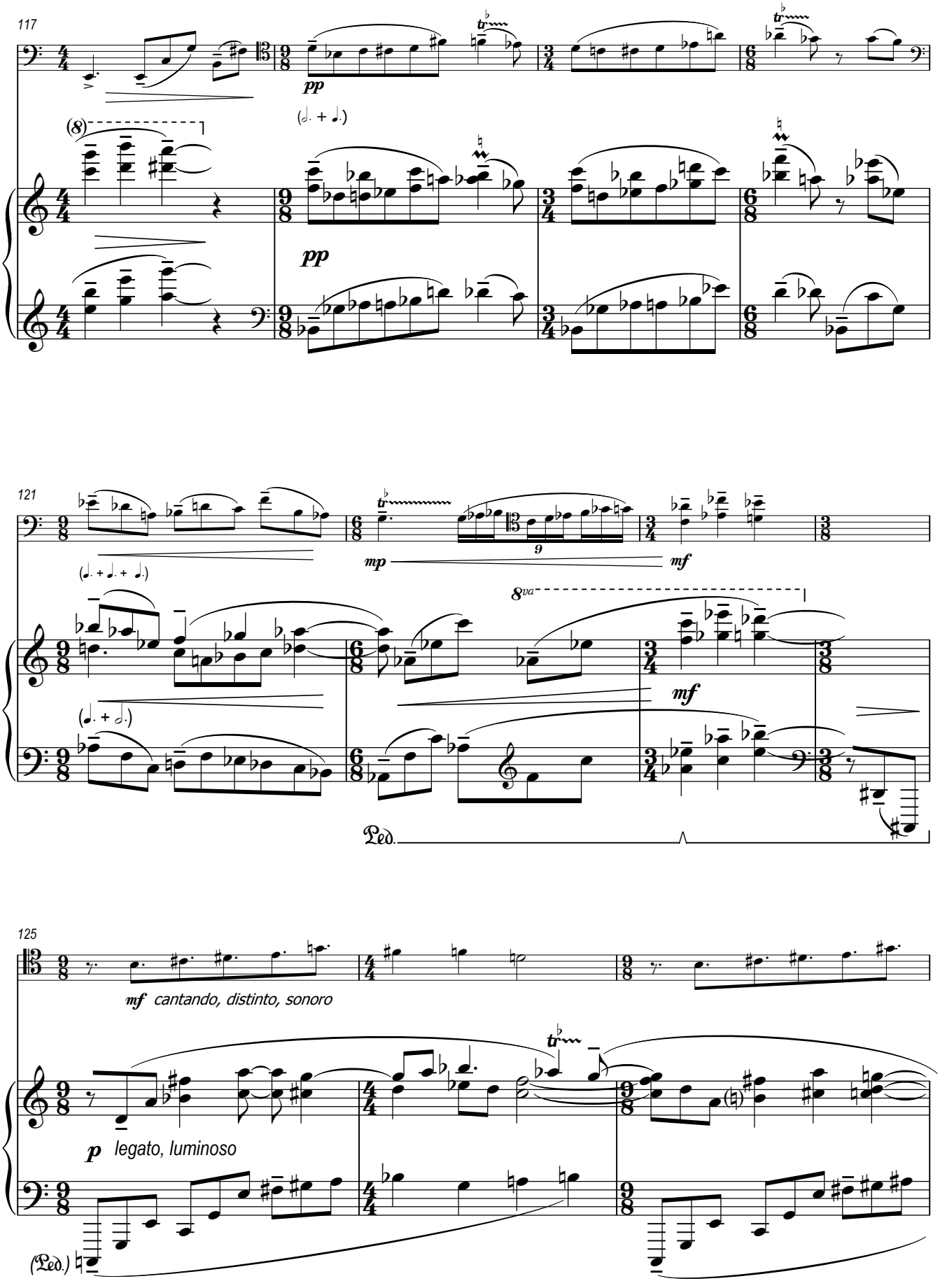


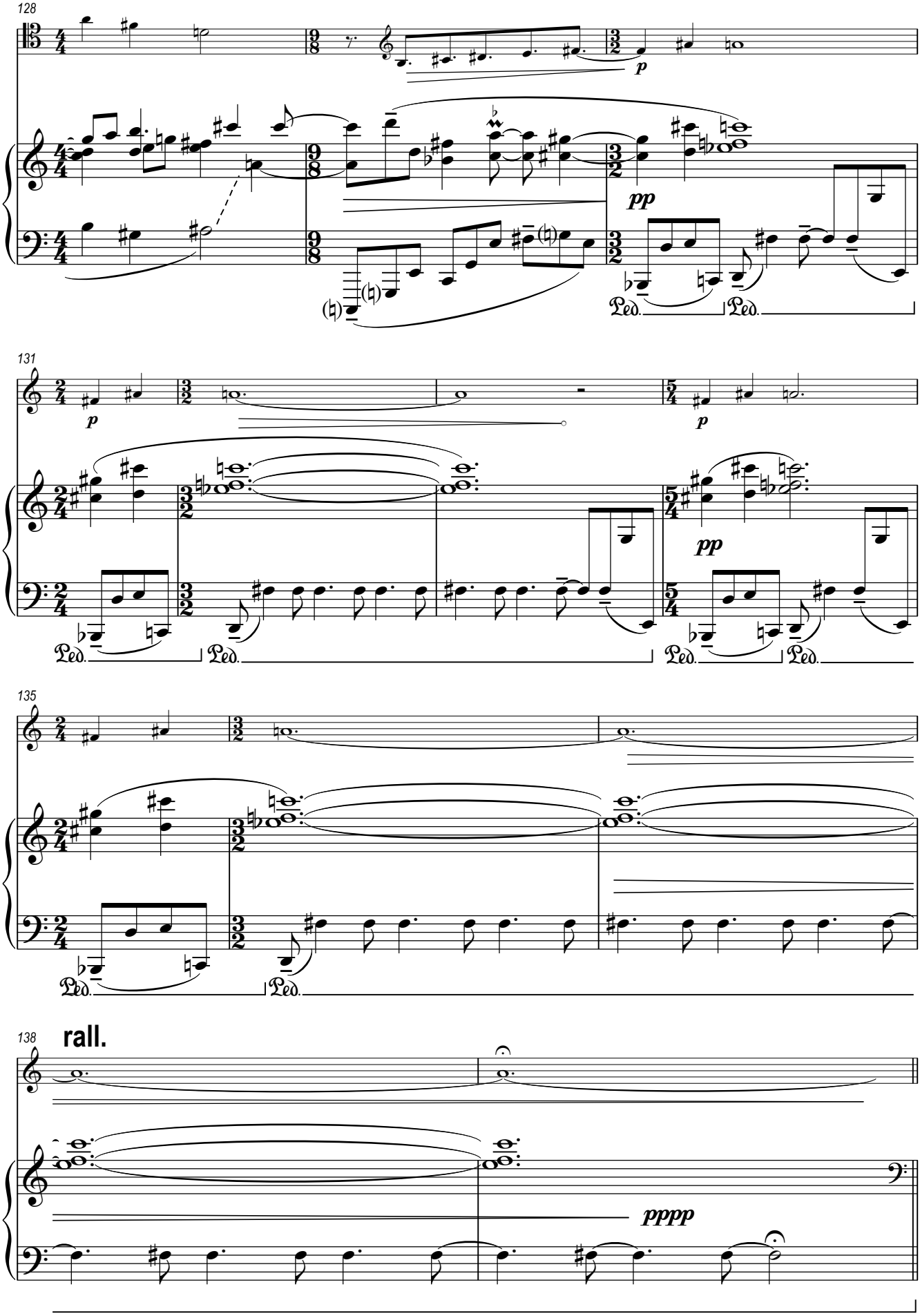

84
87
(senza crescendo)
(←♩ = ♩→)
90

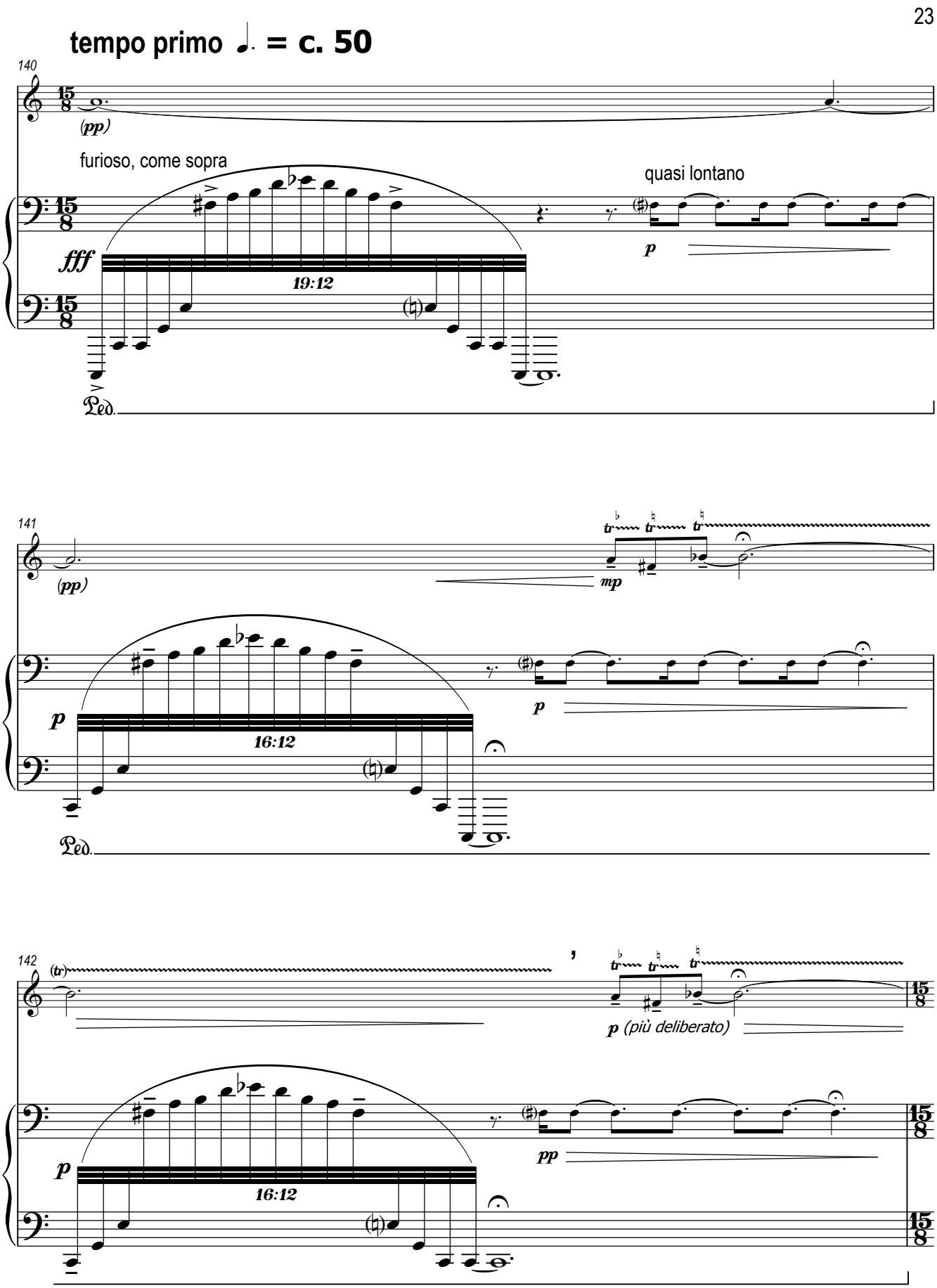

←♩ = ♩→ (♩ = c.136)
arco
92
f risoluto, ritmico
(♩. + ♩. + ♩.)
(♩. + ♩.)
f risoluto, ritmico
(Ped.)
95
(ricochet)
9
(♩. + ♩ + ♩.)
Ped.
98
mp
(♩. + ♩.)
mp

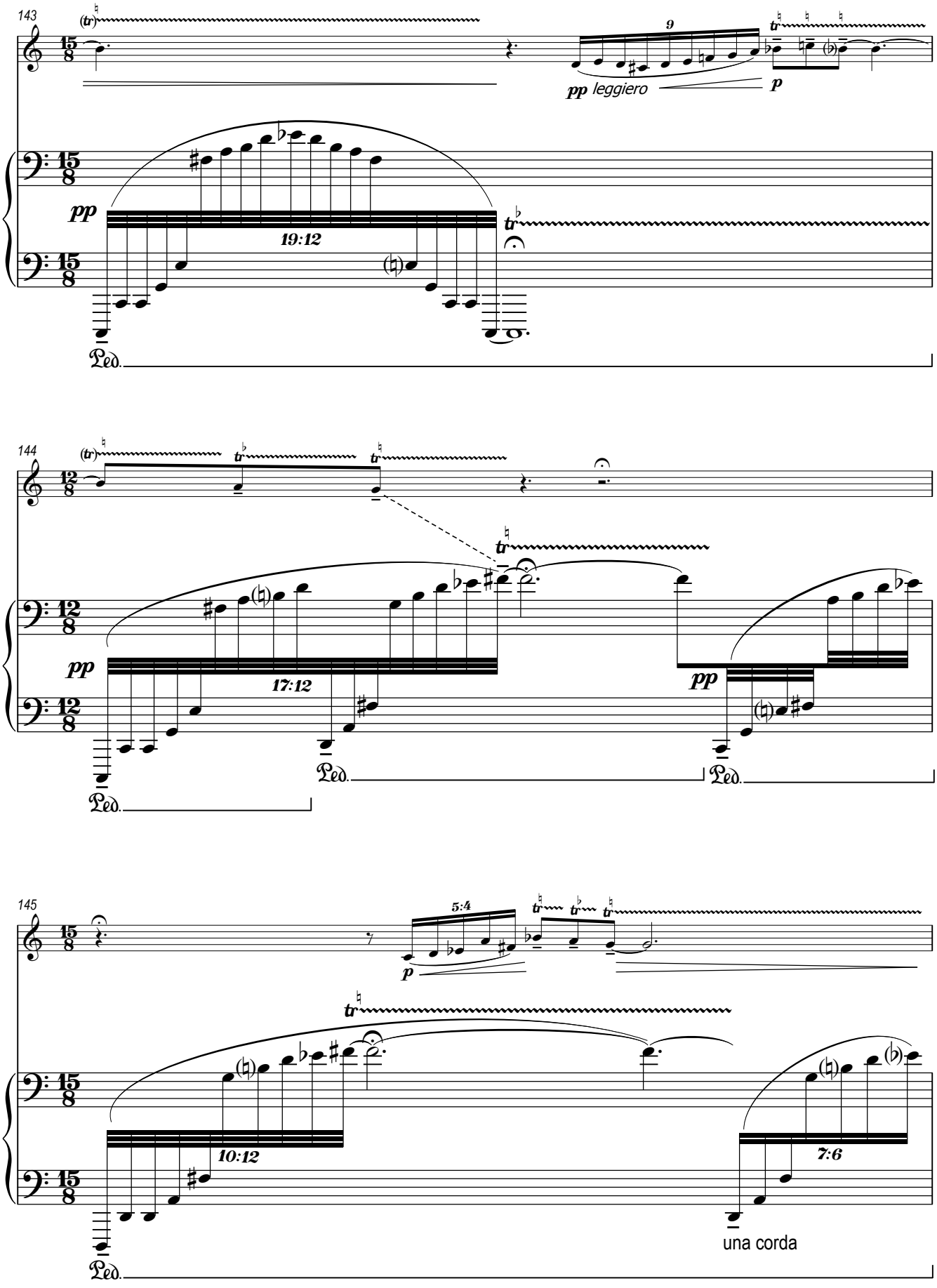

101
(ricochet)
9
f
f
Ped.
104
pizz.
arco
pizz.
arco
pizz.
arco
ff ritmico
ff sonoro, esultante
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
107
pizz.
arco
pizz.
arco
pizz.
arco
ff
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.

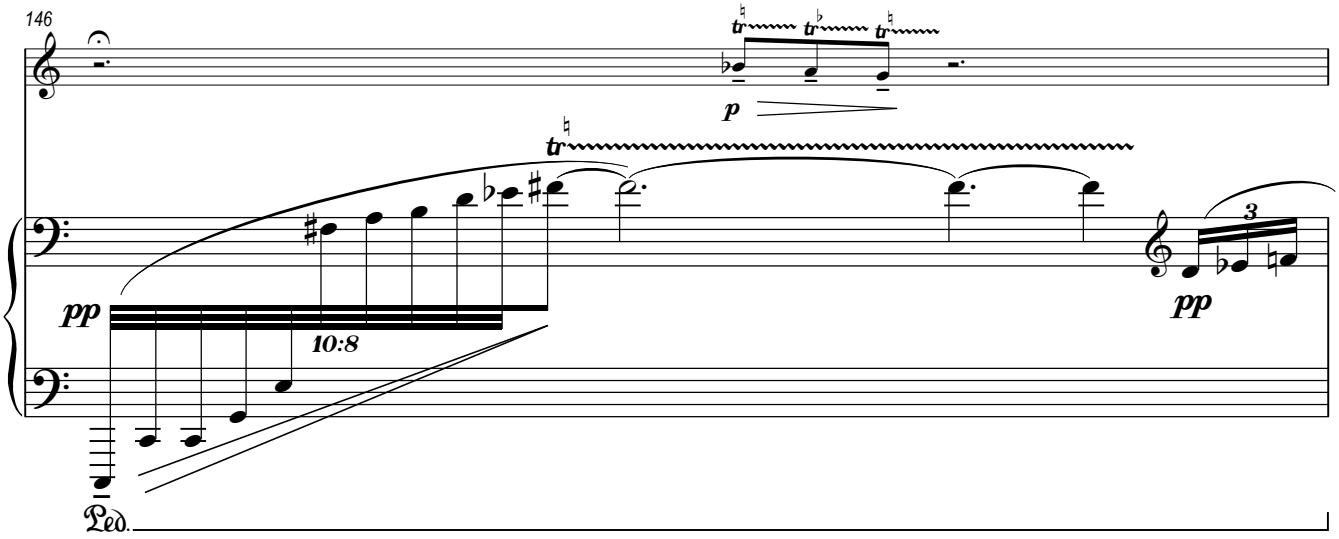

110
pizz.
arco
pizz.
arco
mf
mf
(Ped.)
112
p
p
(𝅗𝅥. + ♩. + ♩.)
(𝅗𝅥. + ♩.)
114
(♩. + 𝅗𝅥 + ♩.)
(♩. + ♩ + ♩.)
8va

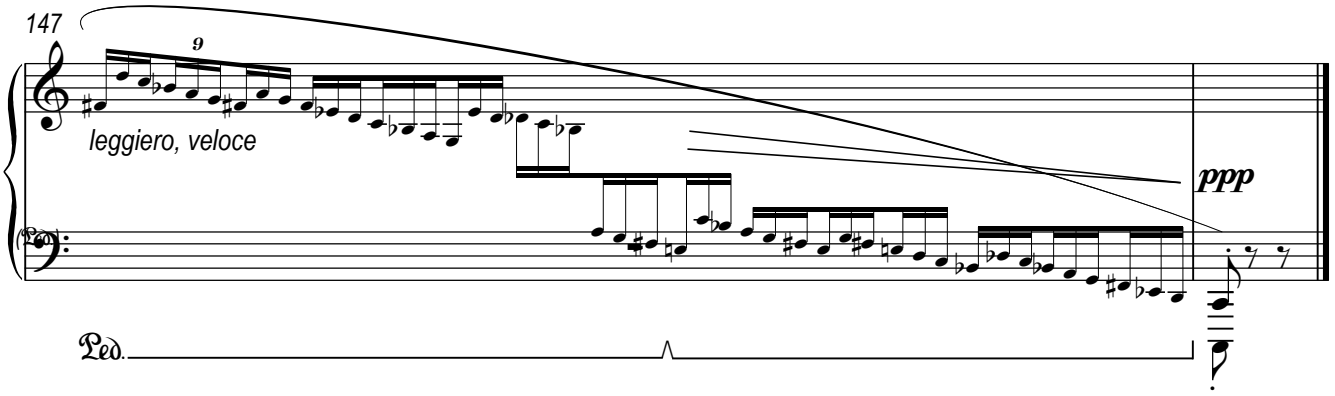

117
pp
(8)
(𝅗𝅥. + ♩.)
pp
121
mp
mf
(♩. + ♩. + ♩.)
8va
(♩. + 𝅗𝅥.)
mf
Ped.
125
mf cantando, distinto, sonoro
p legato, luminoso
(Ped.)


128
p
pp
Ped.
Ped.
131
p
p
pp
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
135
Ped.
Ped.
138
rall.
pppp


tempo primo ♩. = c. 50
140
(pp)
furioso, come sopra
quasi lontano
fff
19:12
p
Ped.
141
(pp)
mp
p
16:12
p
Ped.
142
(tr)
p (più deliberato)
p
16:12
pp


143
144
145
pp leggiero
p
pp
19:12
17:12
10:12
5:4
7:6
una corda
Ped.





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