THE PERILOUS NIGHT

Table of Preparations

[Mutes of various materials are placed between the strings of the keys used, thus effecting transformations of the piano sounds with respect to all of their charasteristics.]

These Measurements aplly to a steinway, L,M,O,A or B.

TONE	MATERIAL	Strings (Left to Right)	Distance From Damper (Inches) *	MATERIAL	Strings (Left to Right)	Distance From Damper (Inches)	TONE
15ma	Rubber	1-2-3	$\frac{15}{16}$				E
	Rubber	1-2-3	$1\frac{7}{16}$ *				B
	Rubber	1-2-3	$1\frac{7}{16}$ *				E
8va	Weather Stripping	1-2	1	Screw and Nuts	2-3	$2\frac{1}{4}$	D
	Rubber (Damper tp Bridge = 4 7/16; Adjust measurements accordingly)	2-3(B♭)-1	$3\frac{3}{8}$	Screw	2-3	$1\frac{7}{16}$	B
	Weather Stripping	1-2	$3\frac{3}{4}$	Bolt and Nuts	2-3	$2\frac{1}{4}$	A♭
	Weather Stripping	1-2	2	Bolt	2-3	$1\frac{3}{4}$	E
				Bolt (Small)	2-3	4	D♭
	Weather Stripping	1-2	6	Screw and Nuts	2-3	$1\frac{1}{2}$	B♭
	Weather Stripping	1-2-3	4				
	Weather Stripping	1-2-3	3	Weather Stripping	1-2-3	$3\frac{1}{2}$	G
	Rubber	1-2-3	5				F♯
	Weather Stripping	1-2-3	$8\frac{1}{2}$				E
	Bamboo Slit	1-2	$4\frac{7}{8}$	Bolt	2-3	4	E♭
	Weather Stripping	1-2-3	11				D
	Double Weather Stripping	1-2	13	Screw and Nuts	2-3	12	D♭
	Double Weather Stripping	1-2	7	Screw and Rubber Washer	2-3	$6\frac{3}{4}$	B♭
	Weather Stripping	1-2-3	$4\frac{1}{2}$				G
	Bamboo Slit	1-2	$2\frac{1}{4}$	Bolt	2-3	2	F
	Weather Stripping	1-2	$\frac{1}{4}$	Bolt	2-3	1	D
	Screw and Weather Str.	1-2	$3\frac{7}{8}$				F
	Screw and Weather Str.	1-2	5				D
8va basso	Screw and Weather Str.	1-2	7				B♭
	Screw and Weather Str.	1-2	14				A♭
	Wood and Cloth	1-1	$2\frac{3}{4}$				E-F

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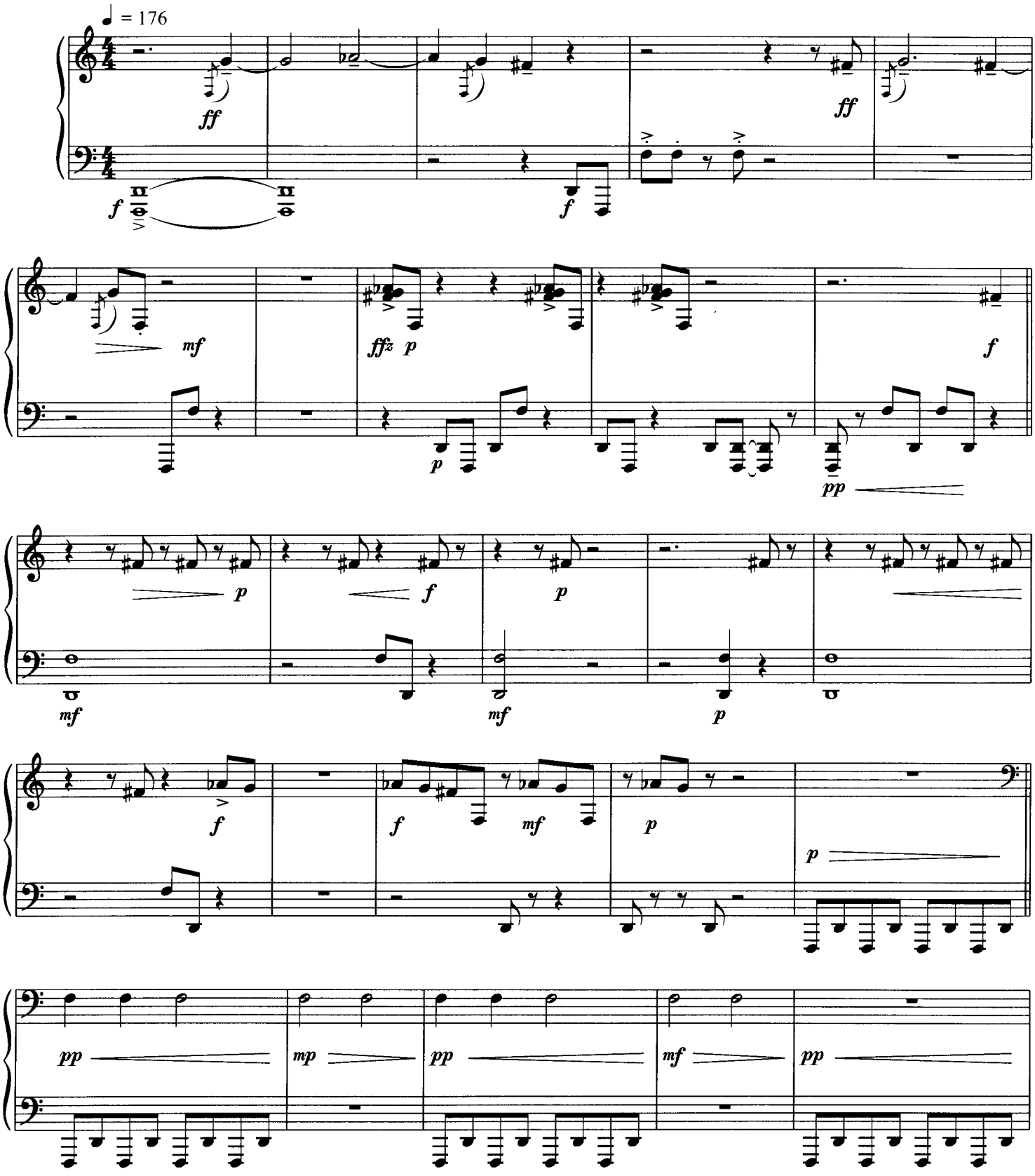
I

John Cage (1944)



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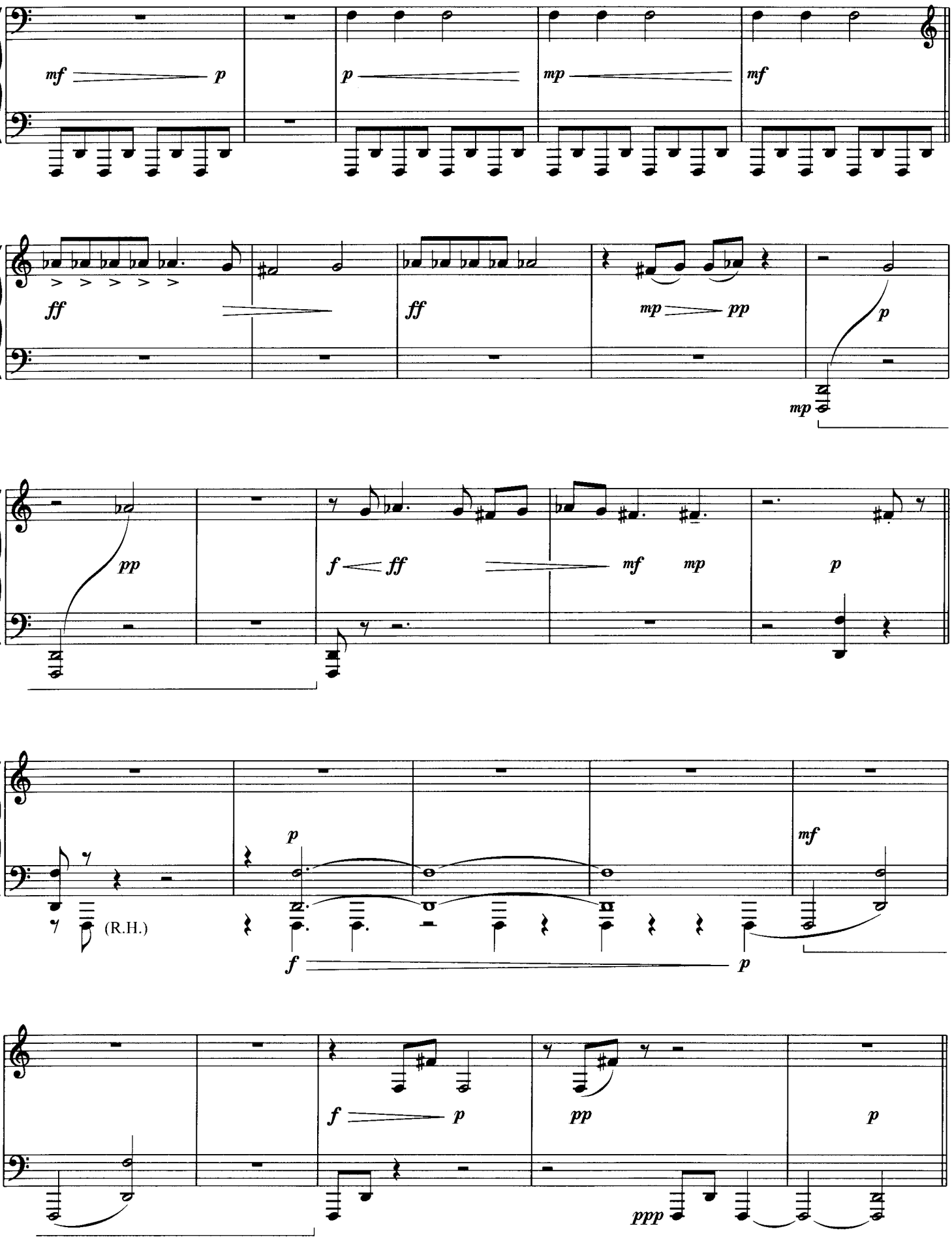
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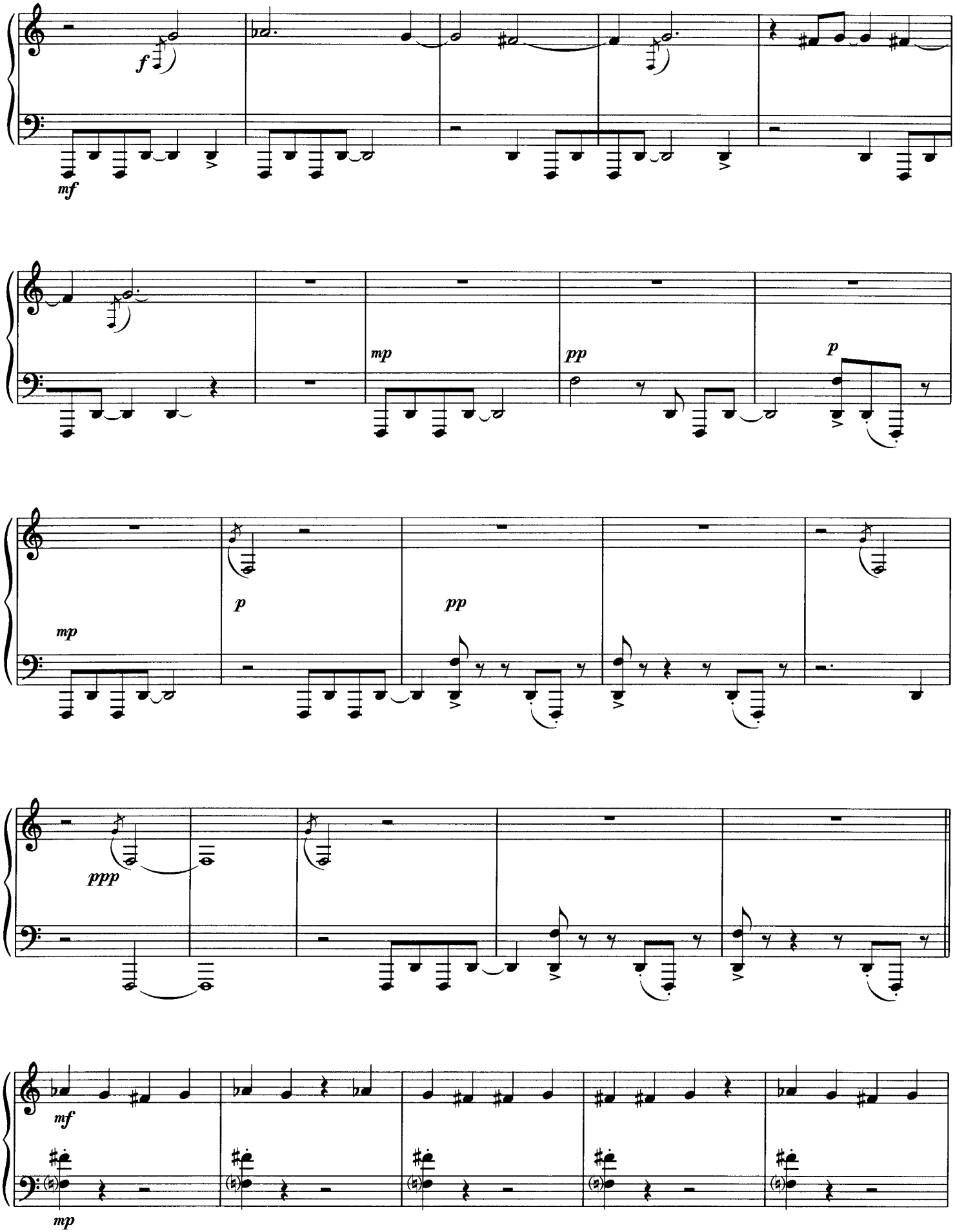
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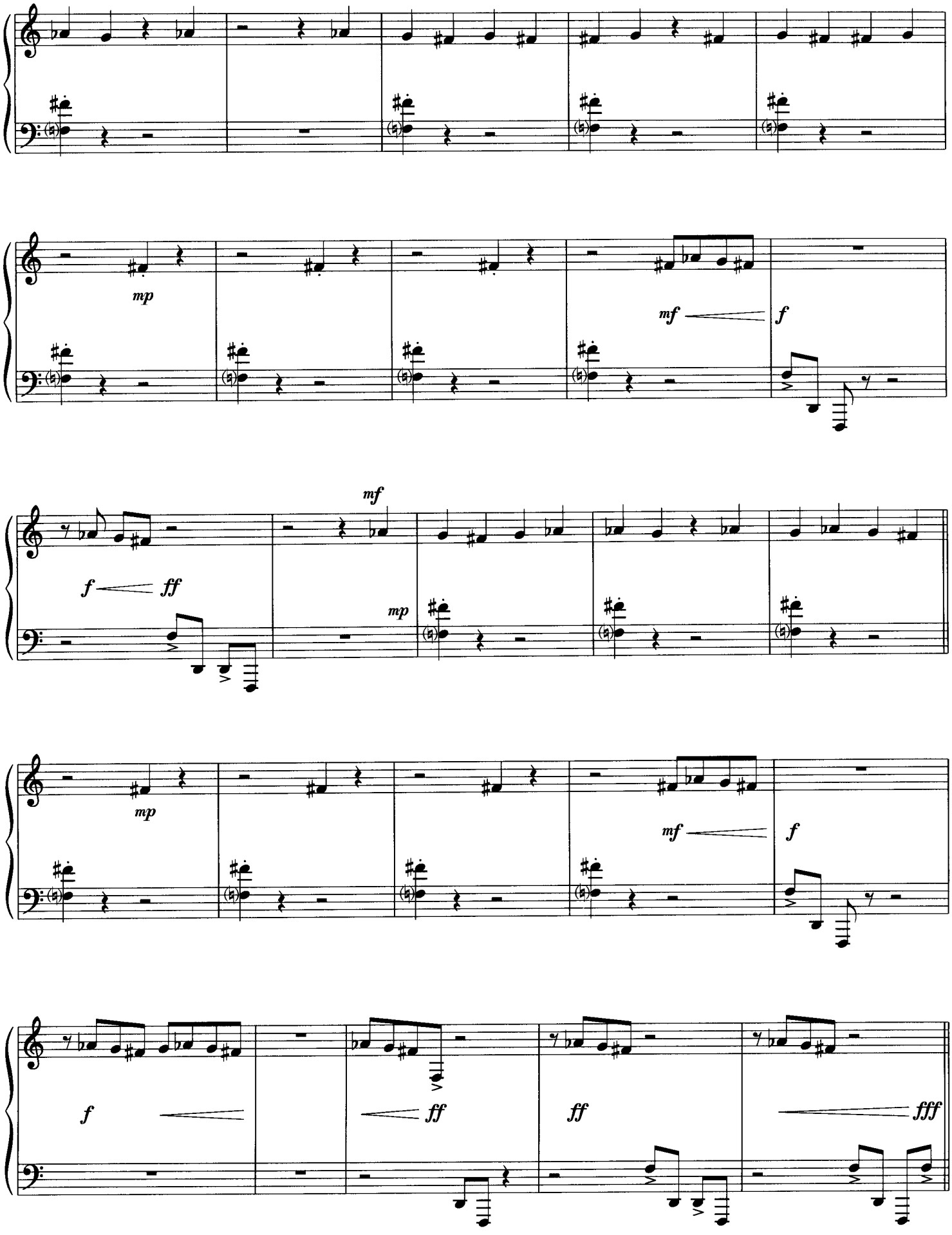
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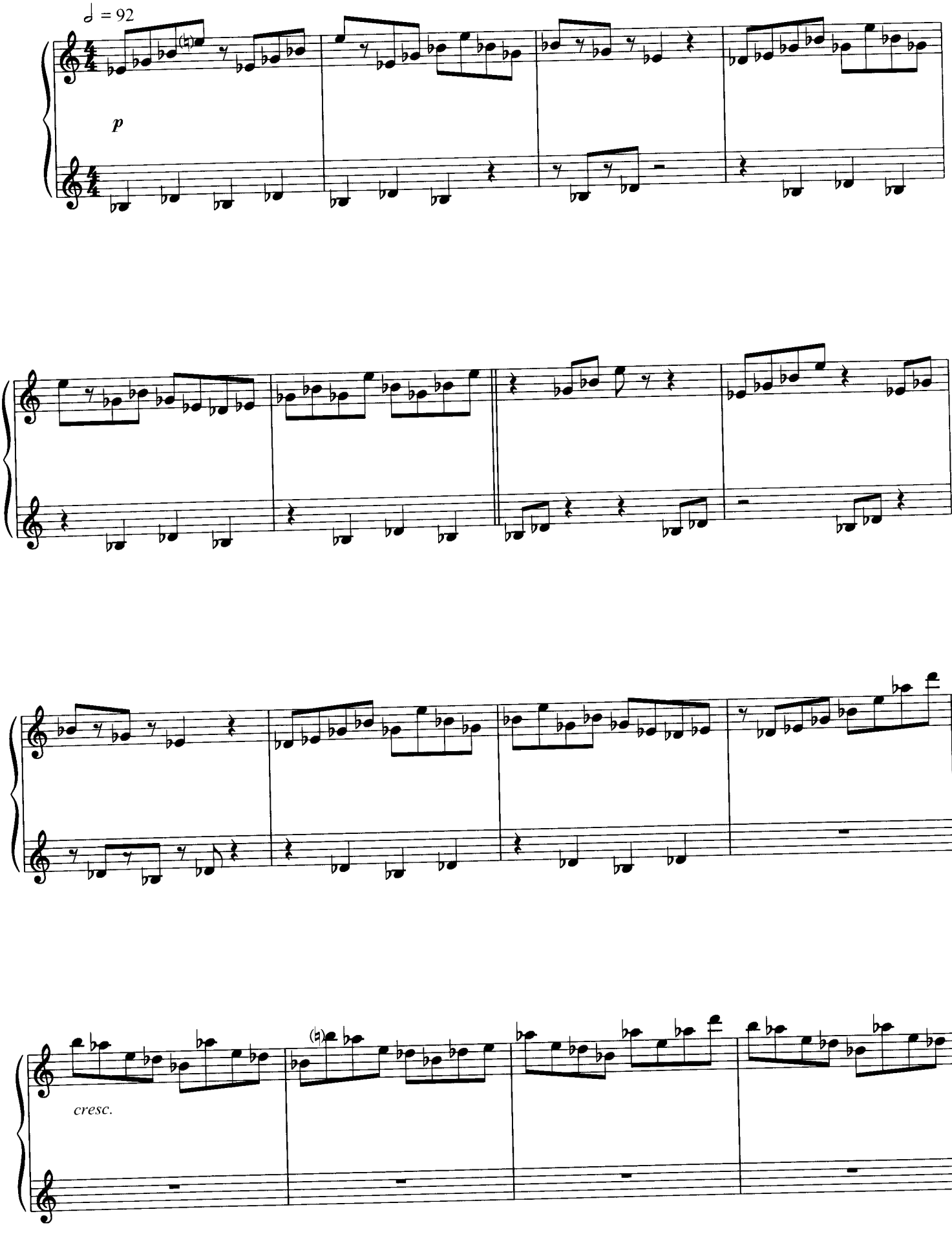

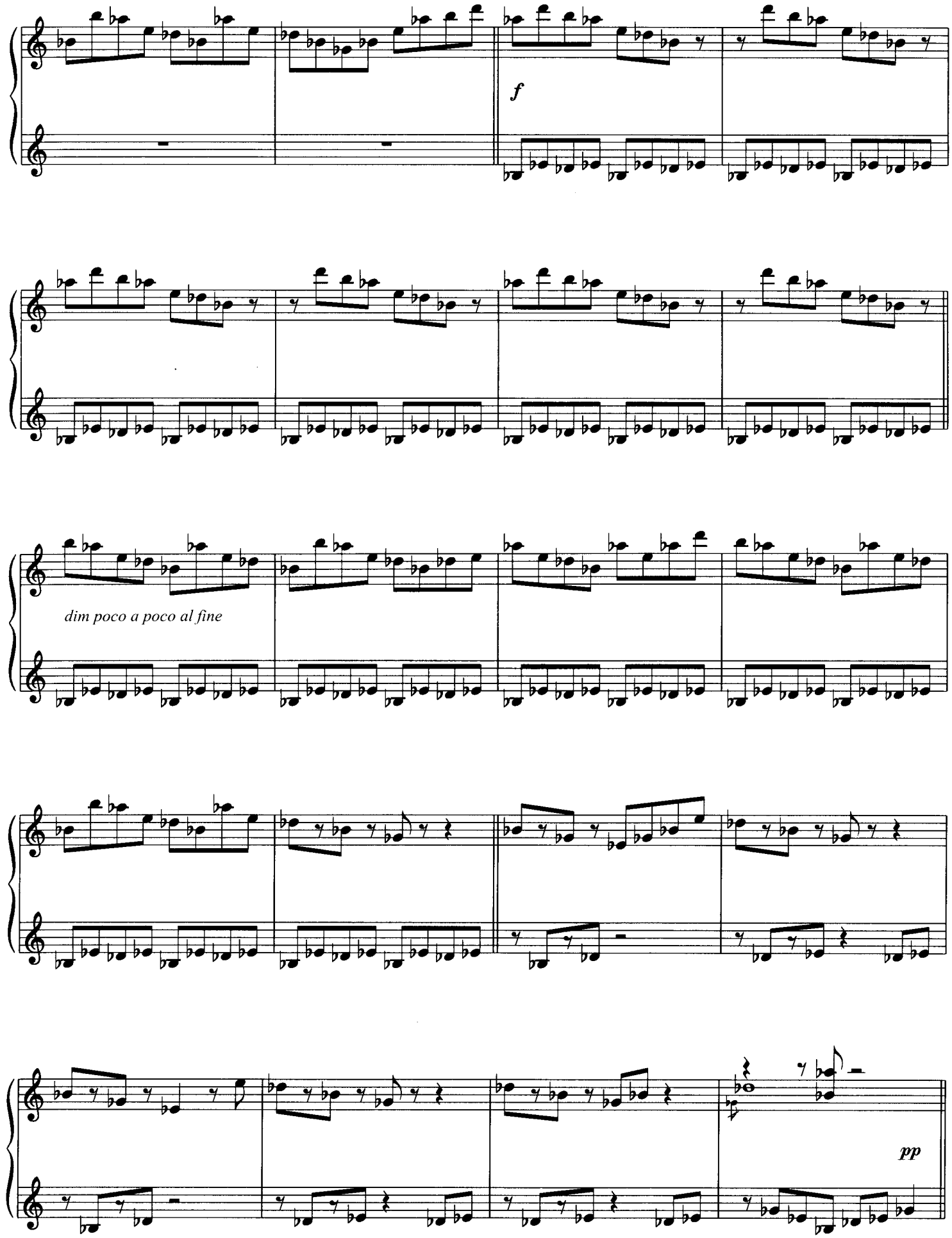
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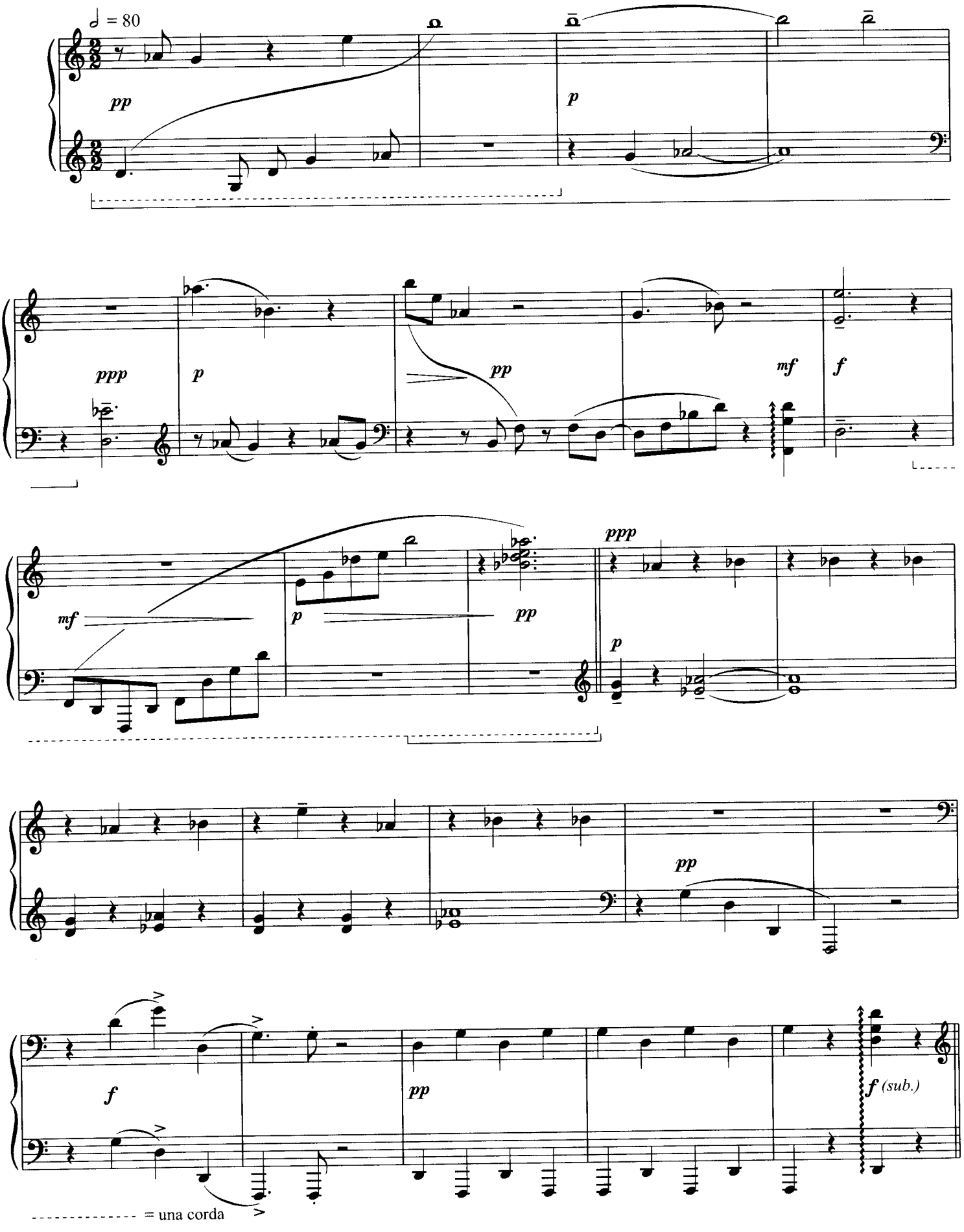

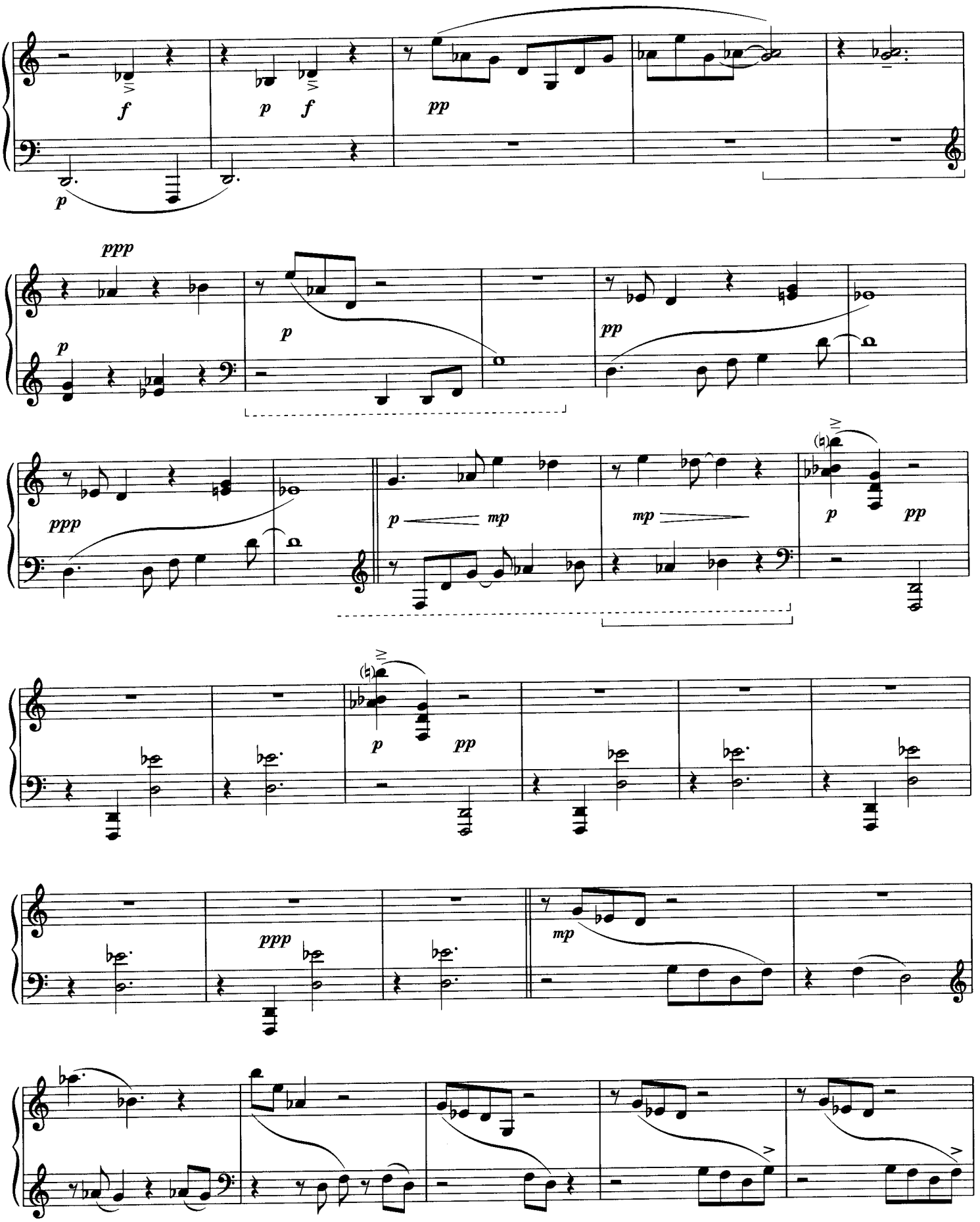
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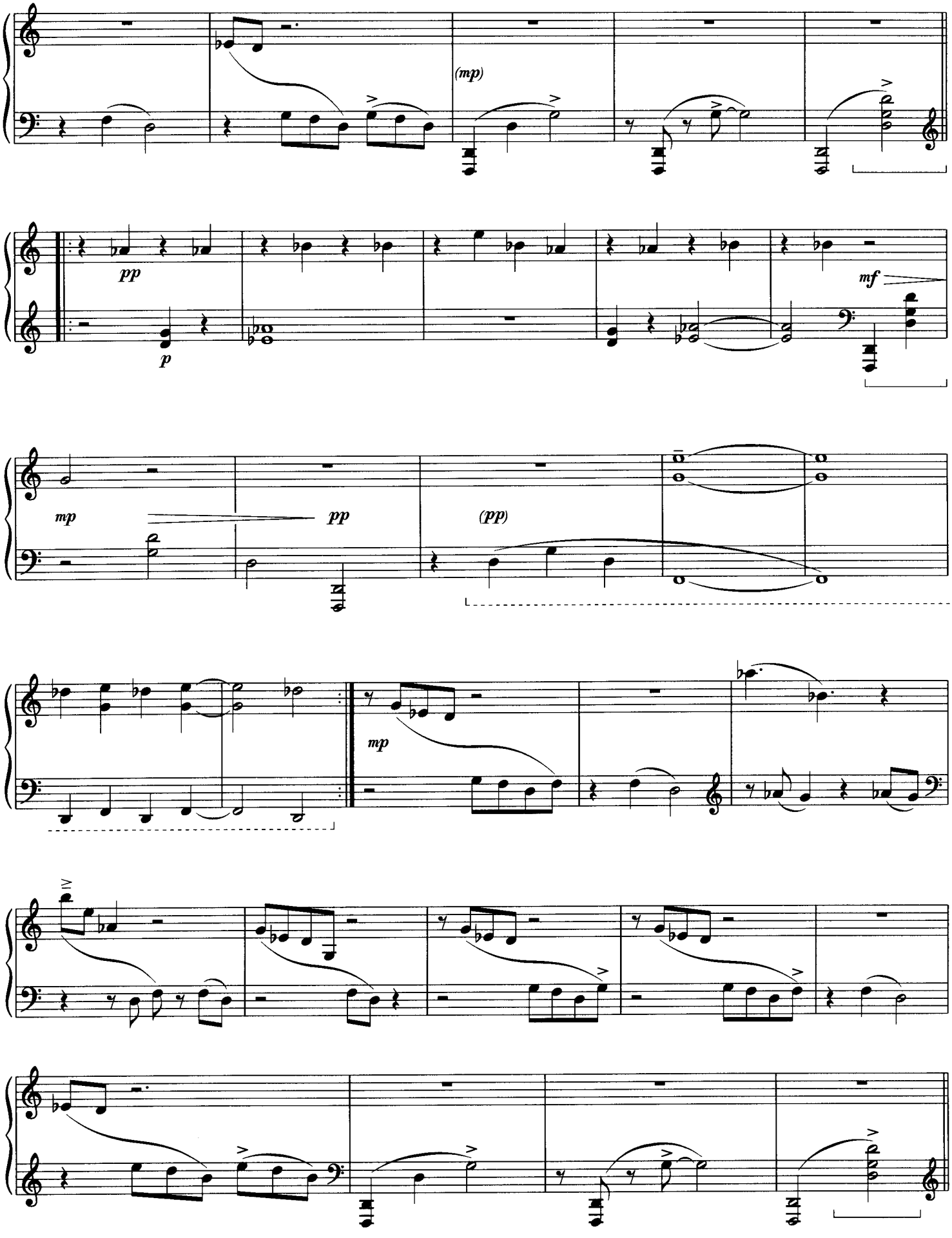
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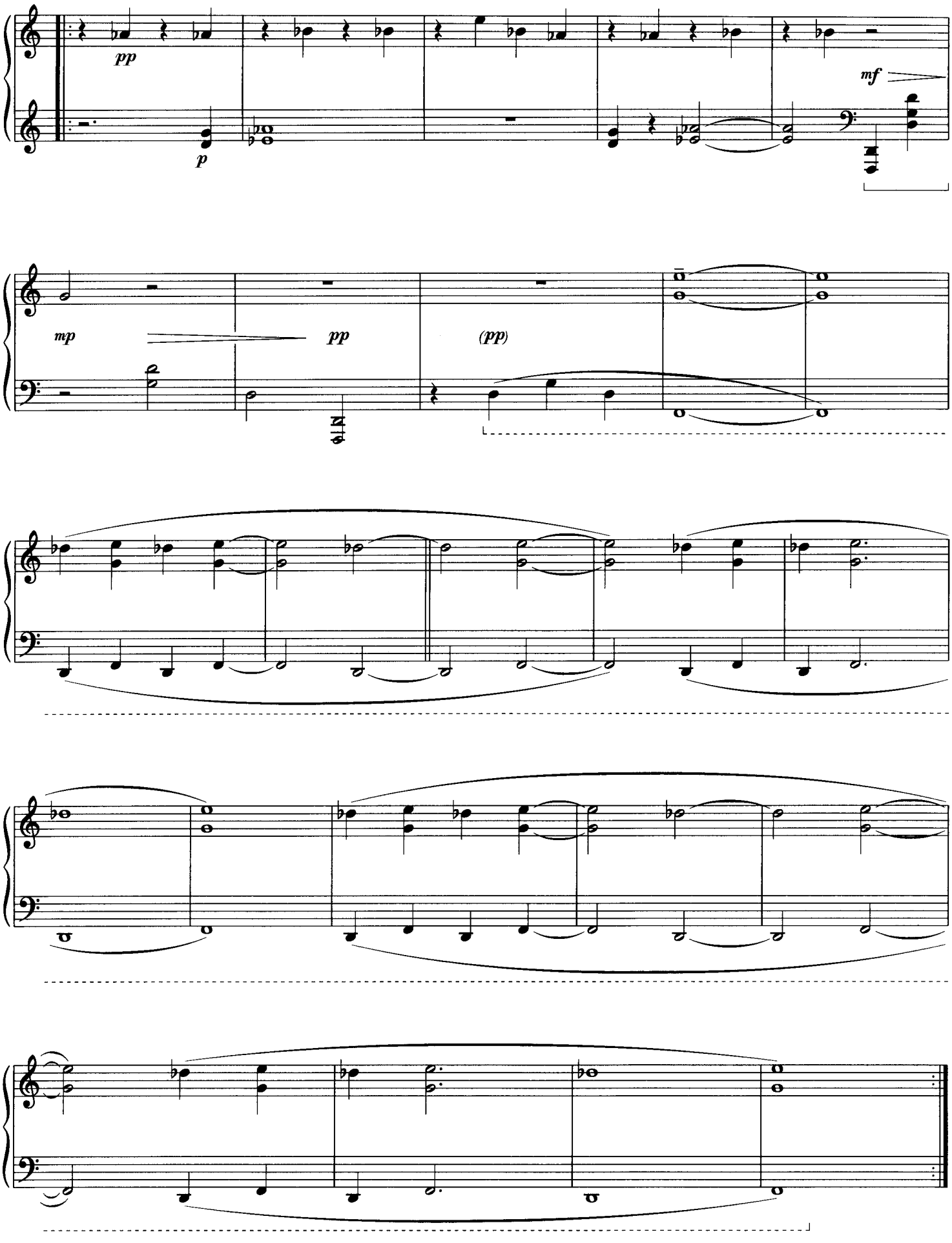
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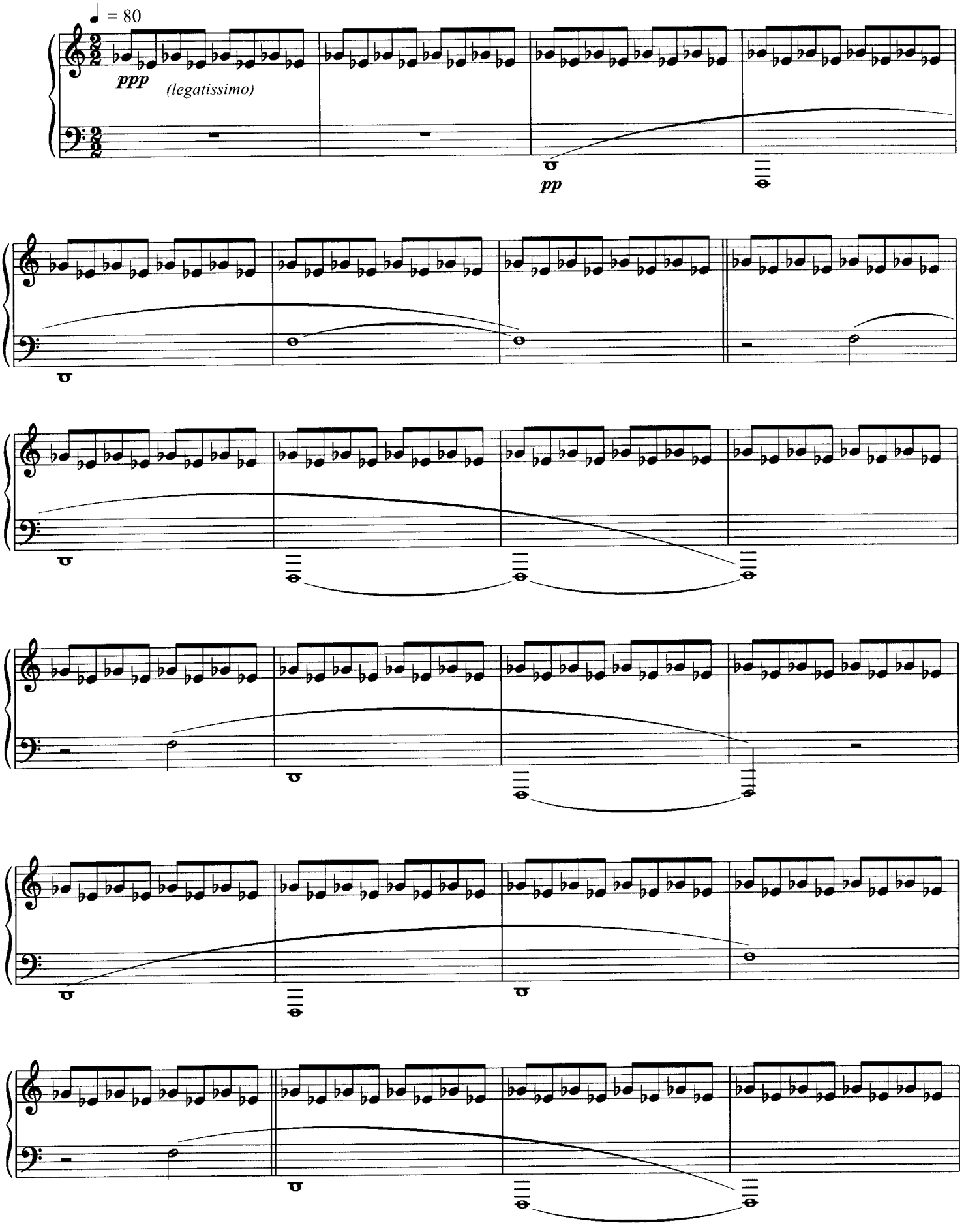

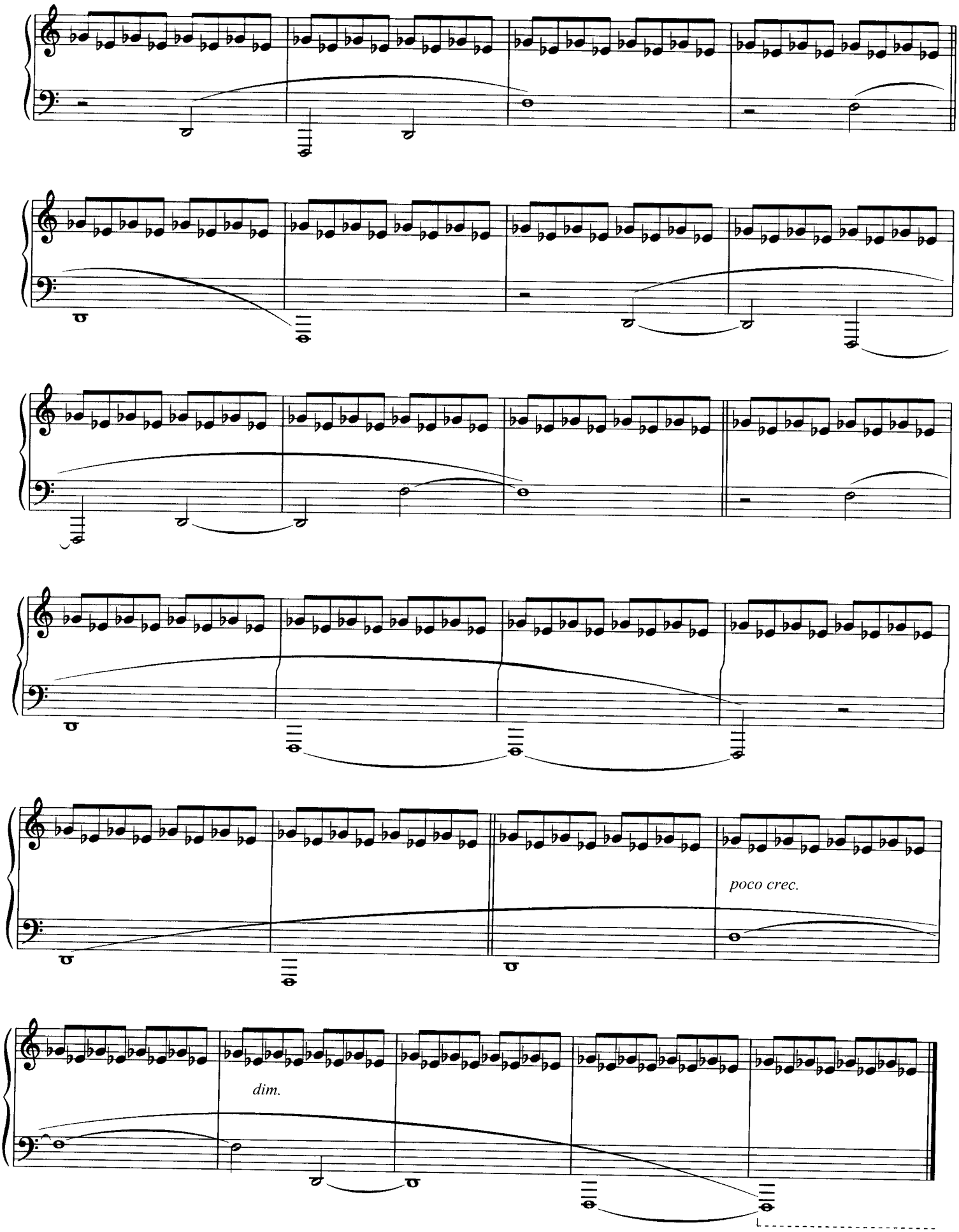
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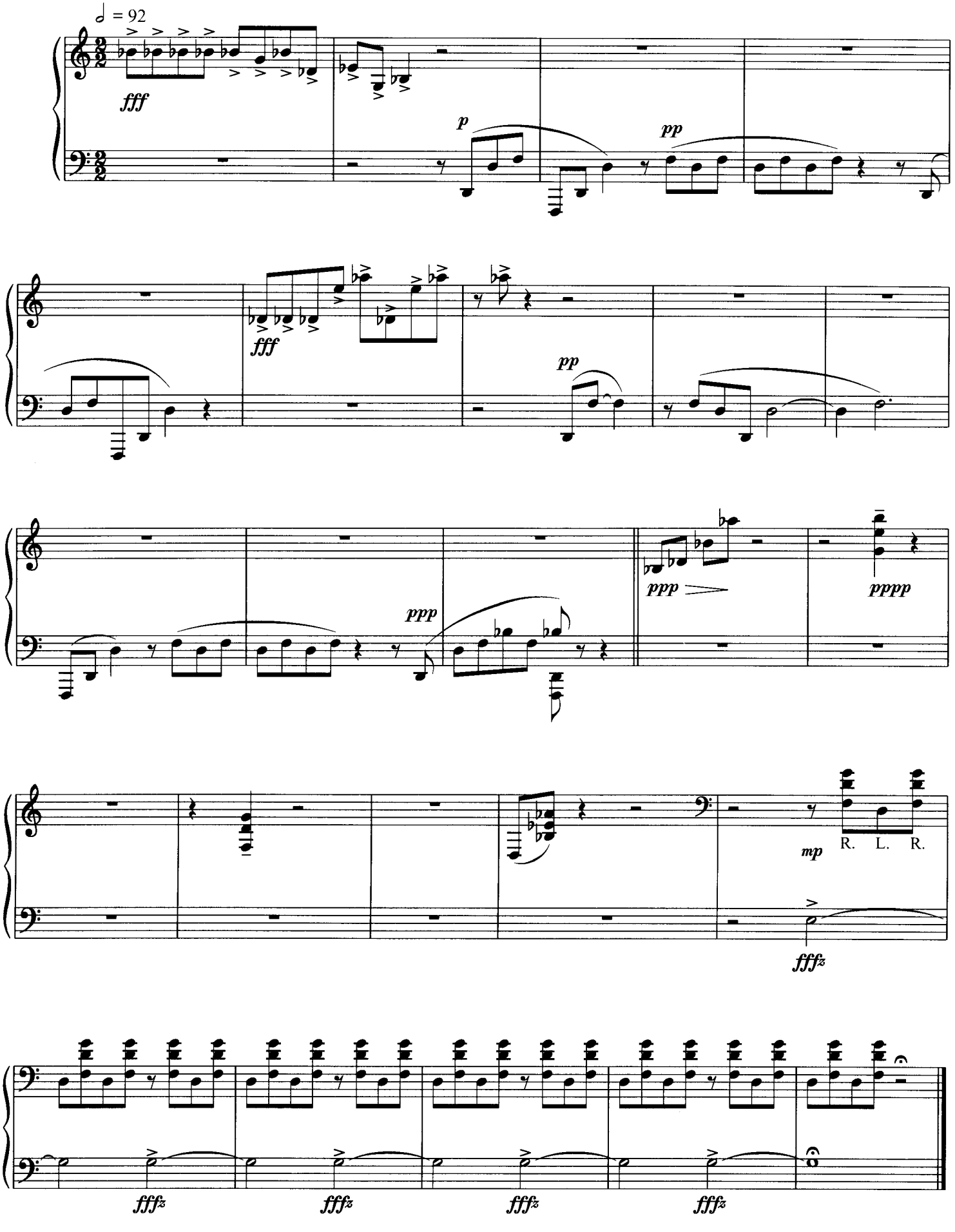

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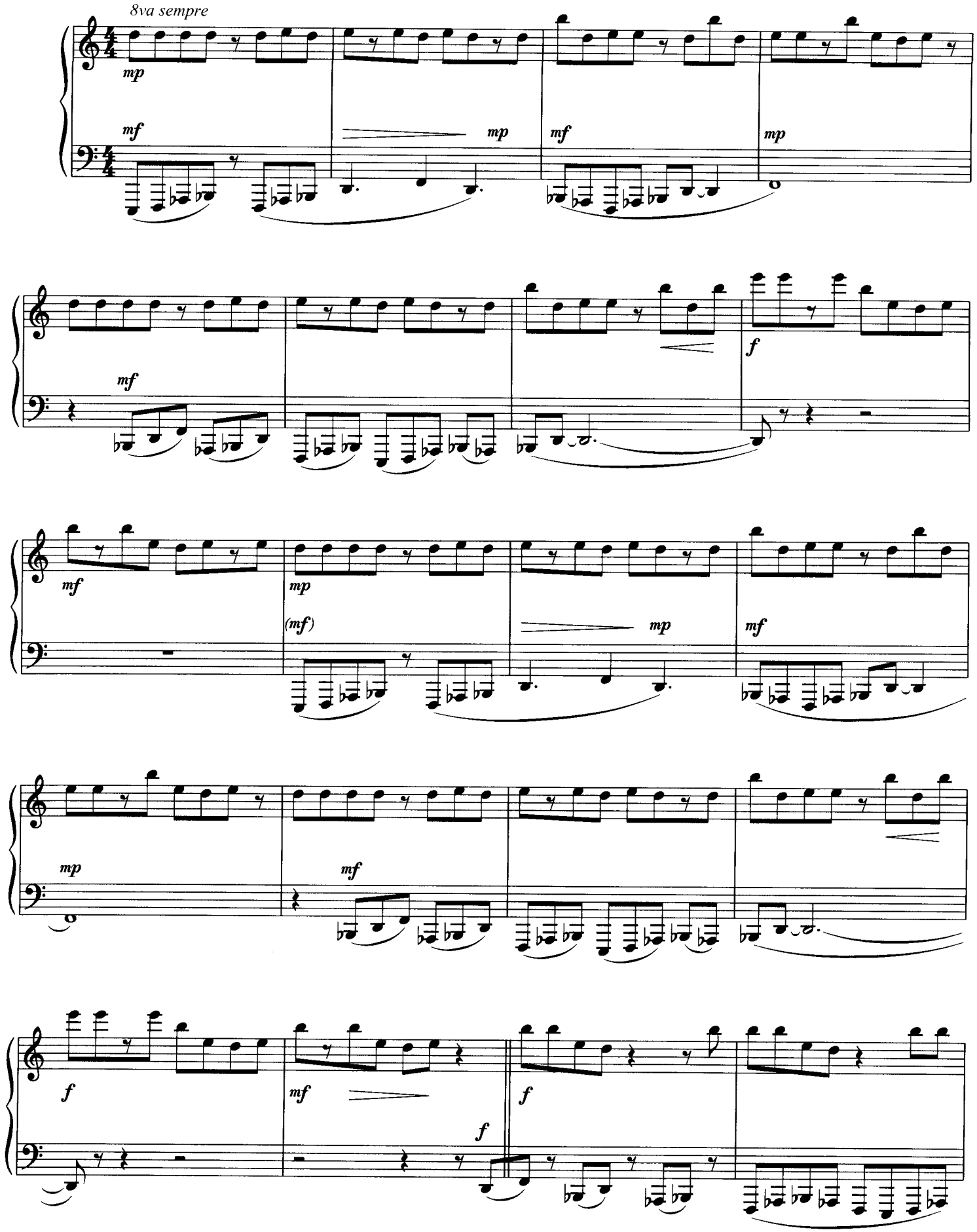

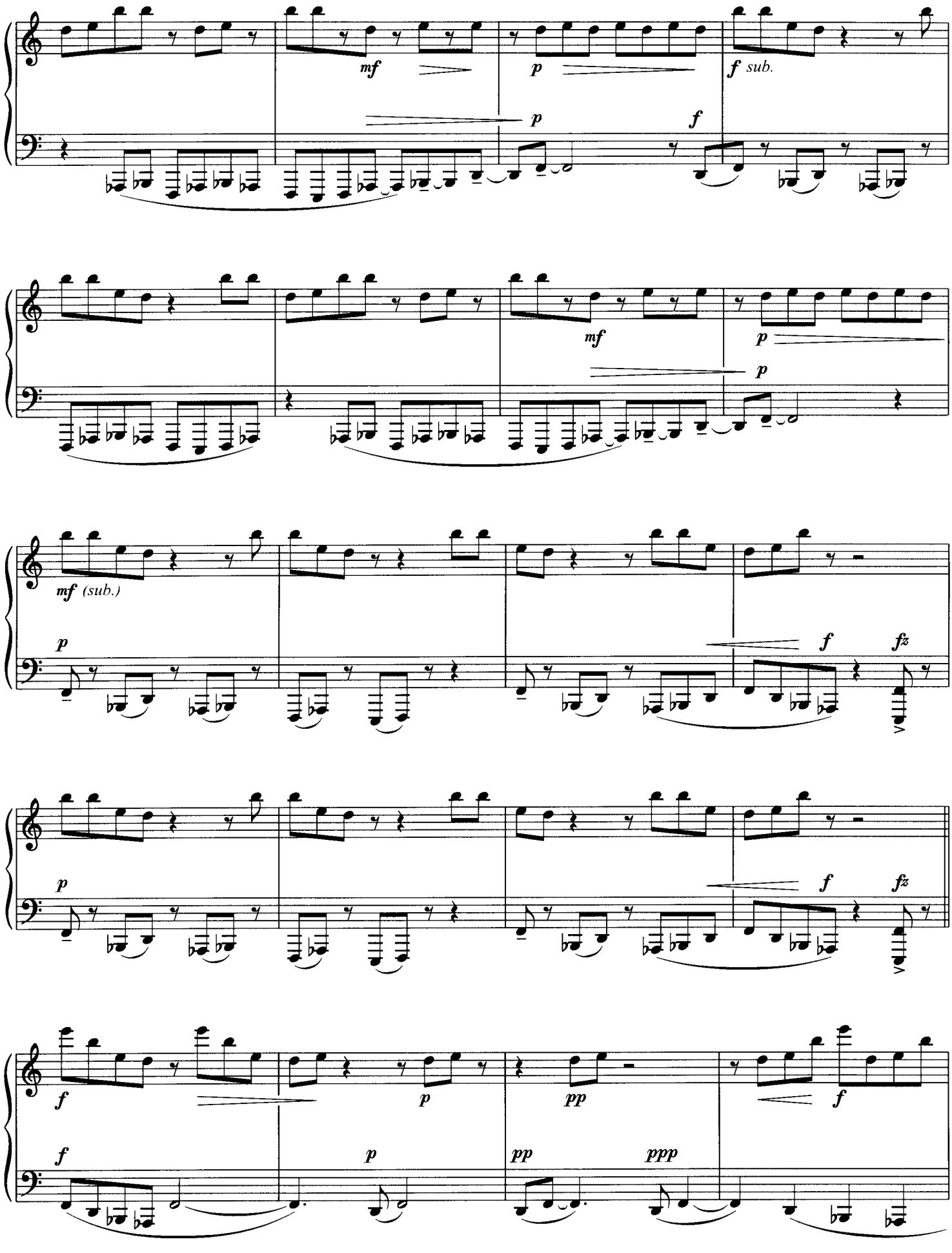
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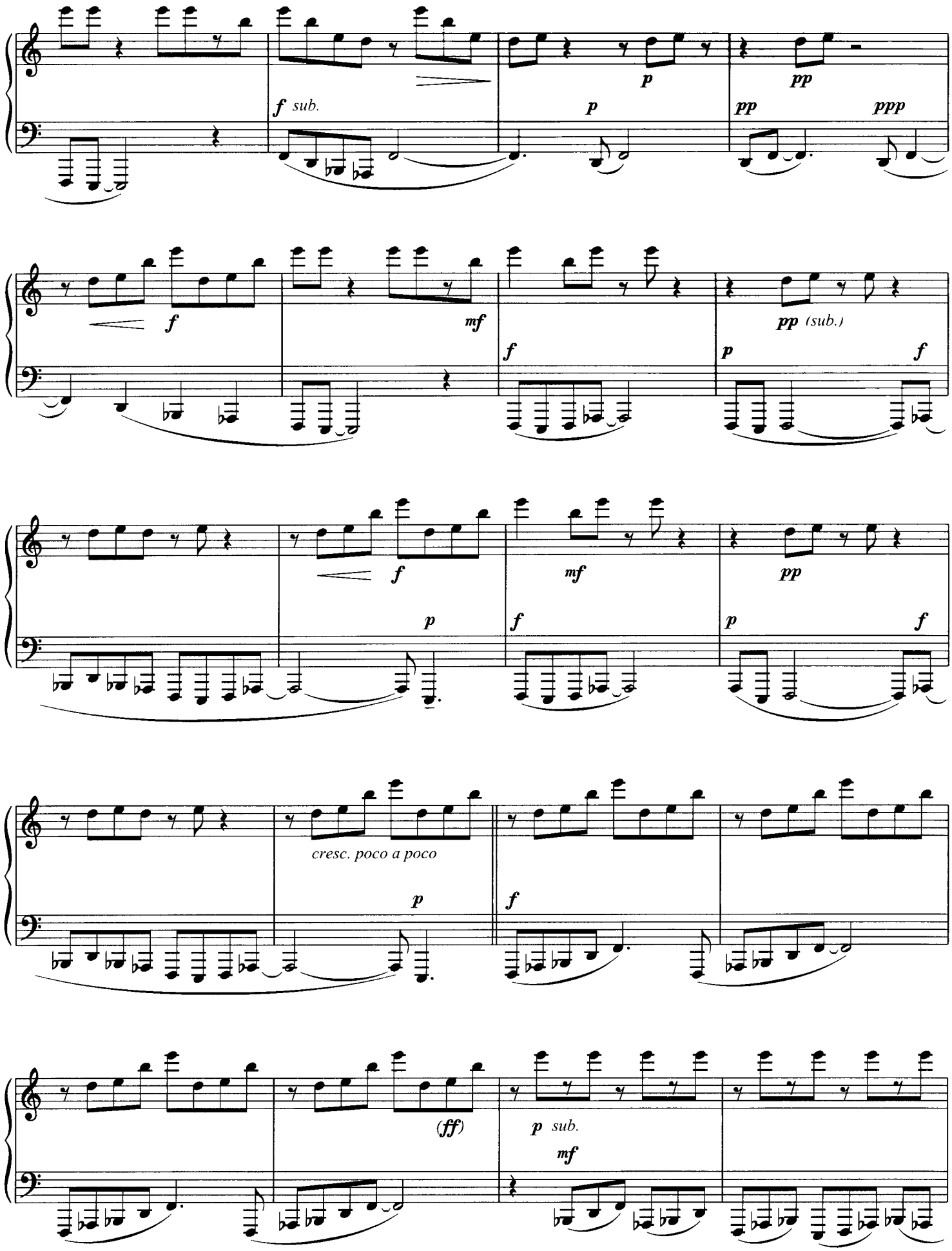
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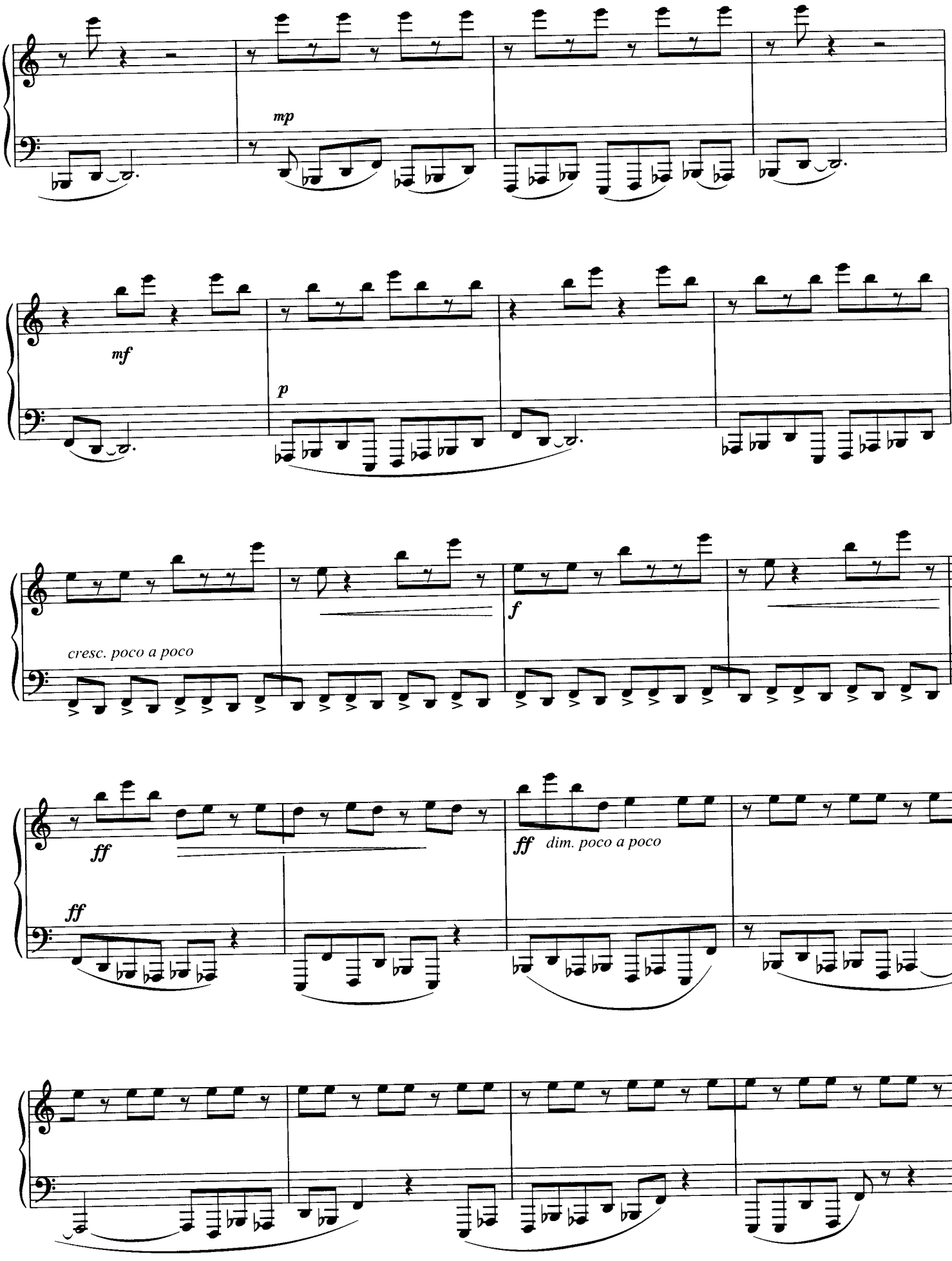
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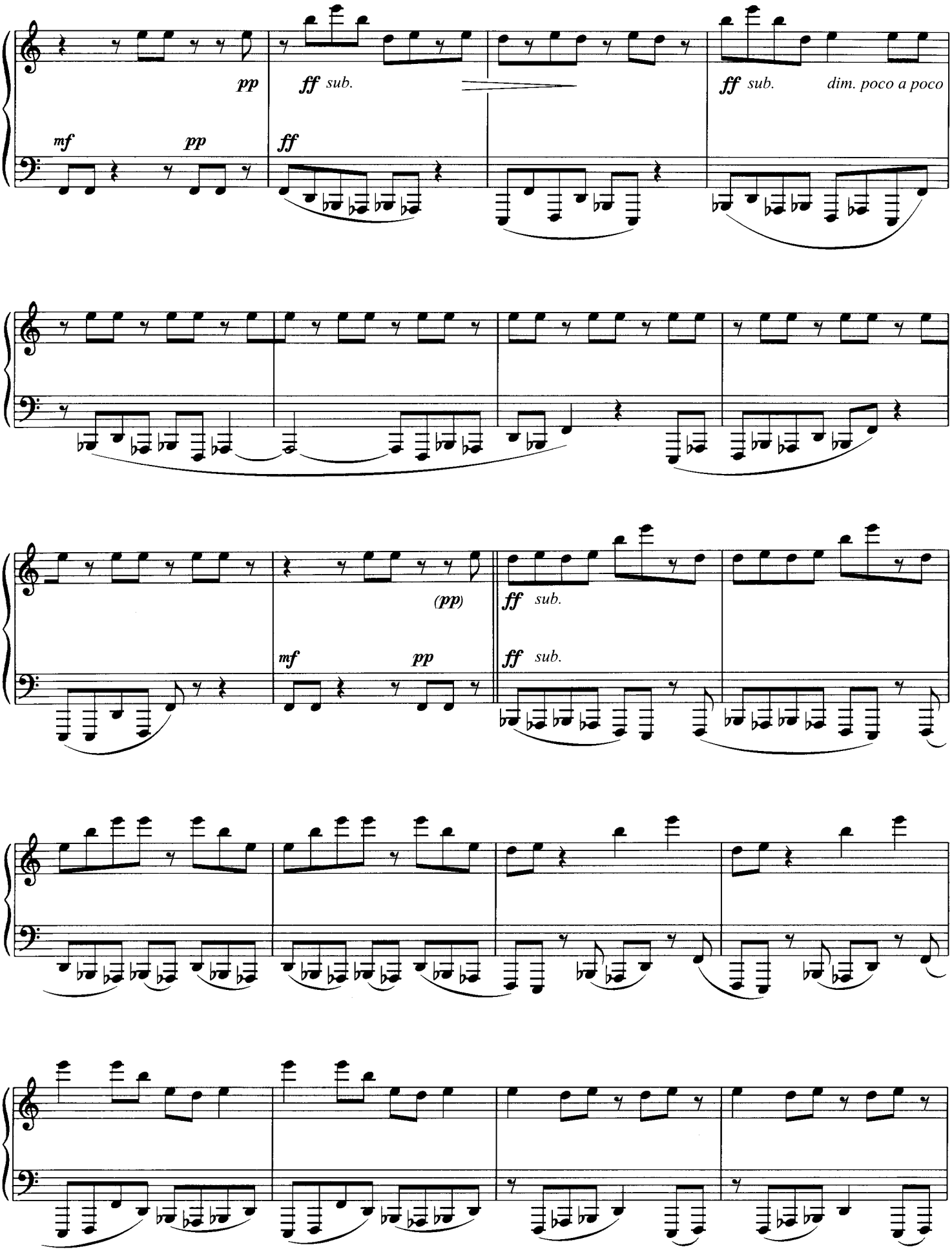
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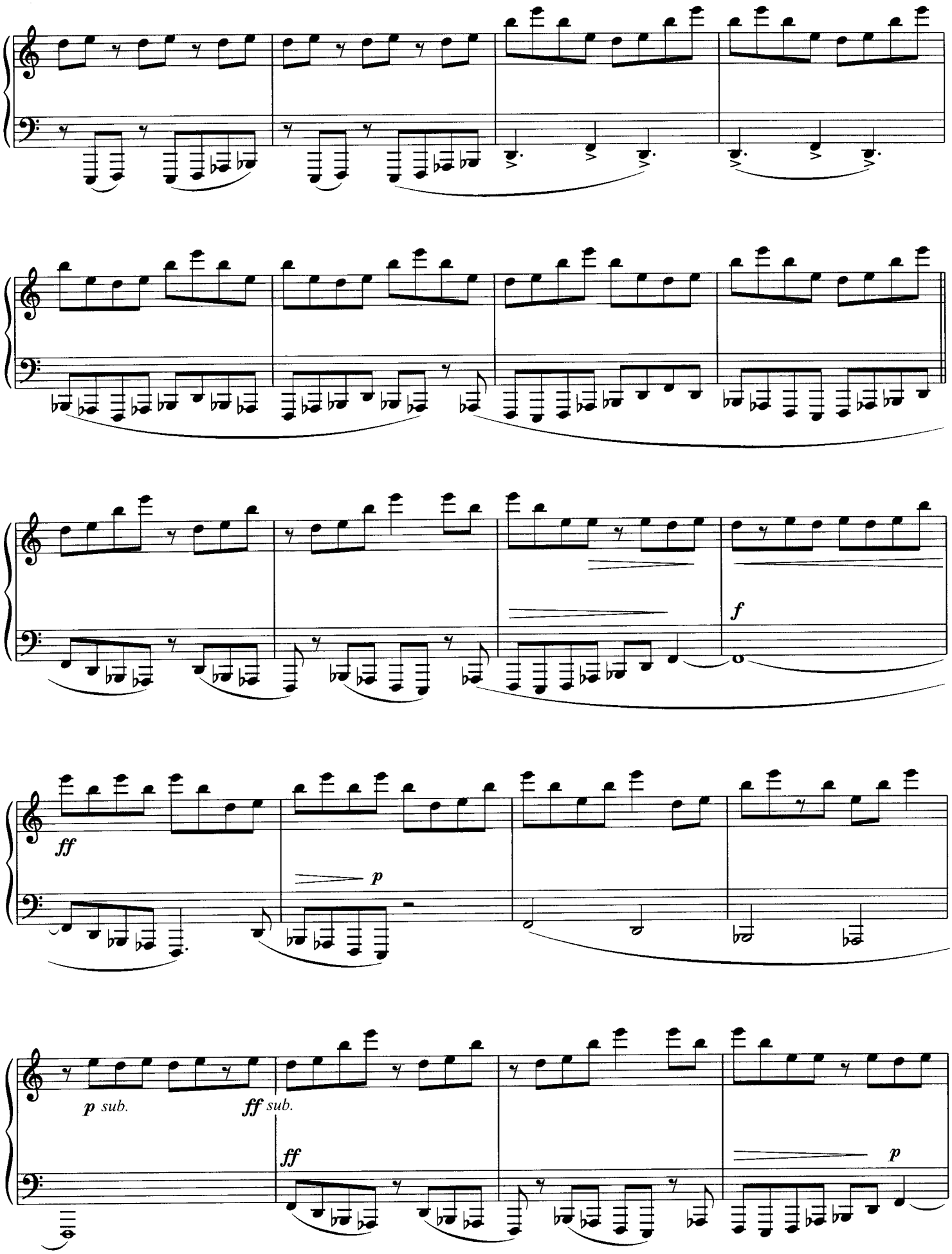
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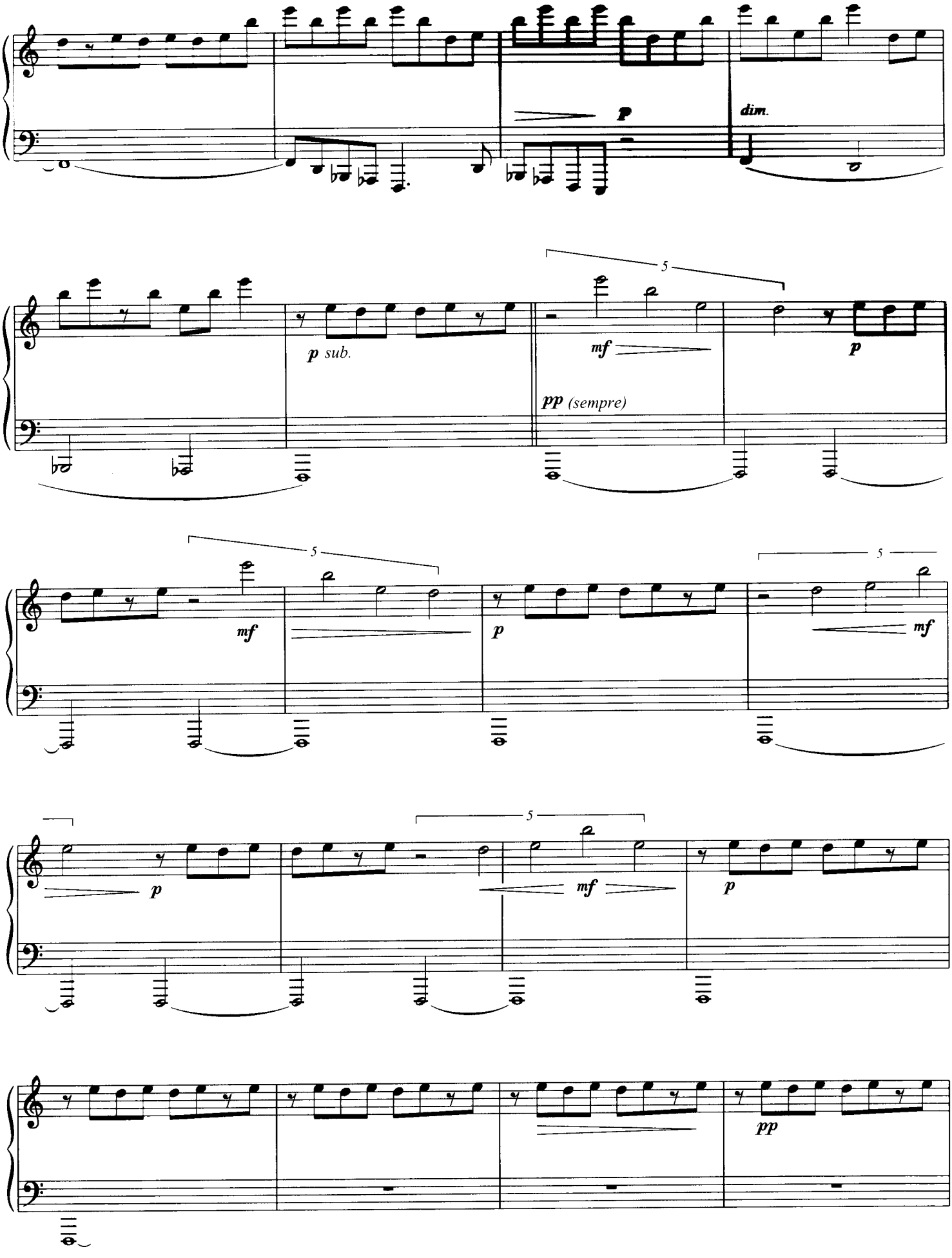
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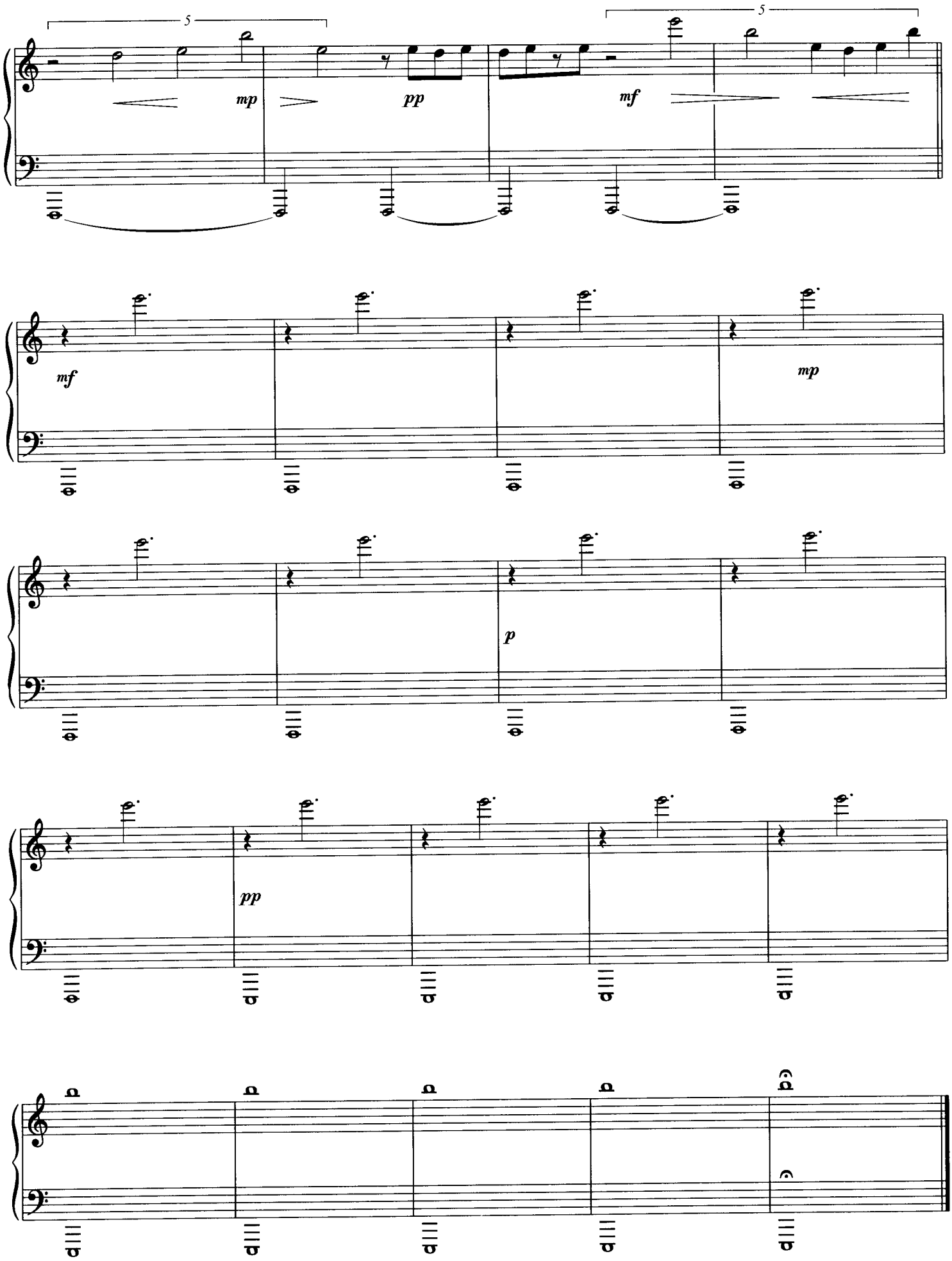
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