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String Quintet (string quartet and viola)

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7'

"An intellectual says a simple thing in a hard way. An artist says a hard thing in a simple way."

- Charles Bukowski

I feel that Baroque and Rock music share some commonalities;
driving rhythms, use of harmonic suspensions, and certain compositional techniques
that are relatively simple compared to other kinds of music.

However, couched in that simplicity, the music can be expressing emotionally difficult things -
and for this reason I think they are both tapped into the same vein.

In this piece, I wanted to express an emotionally intense and complicated
experience in the simplest music terms while using the different compositional techniques
you would find from artists like Bach and Bowie.

This piece was commissioned by the Poor Richard's Chamber Music Society and was
premiered on March 3rd, 2017 at Christ Church of Philadelphia.

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♩ = 74 **Mysterious**

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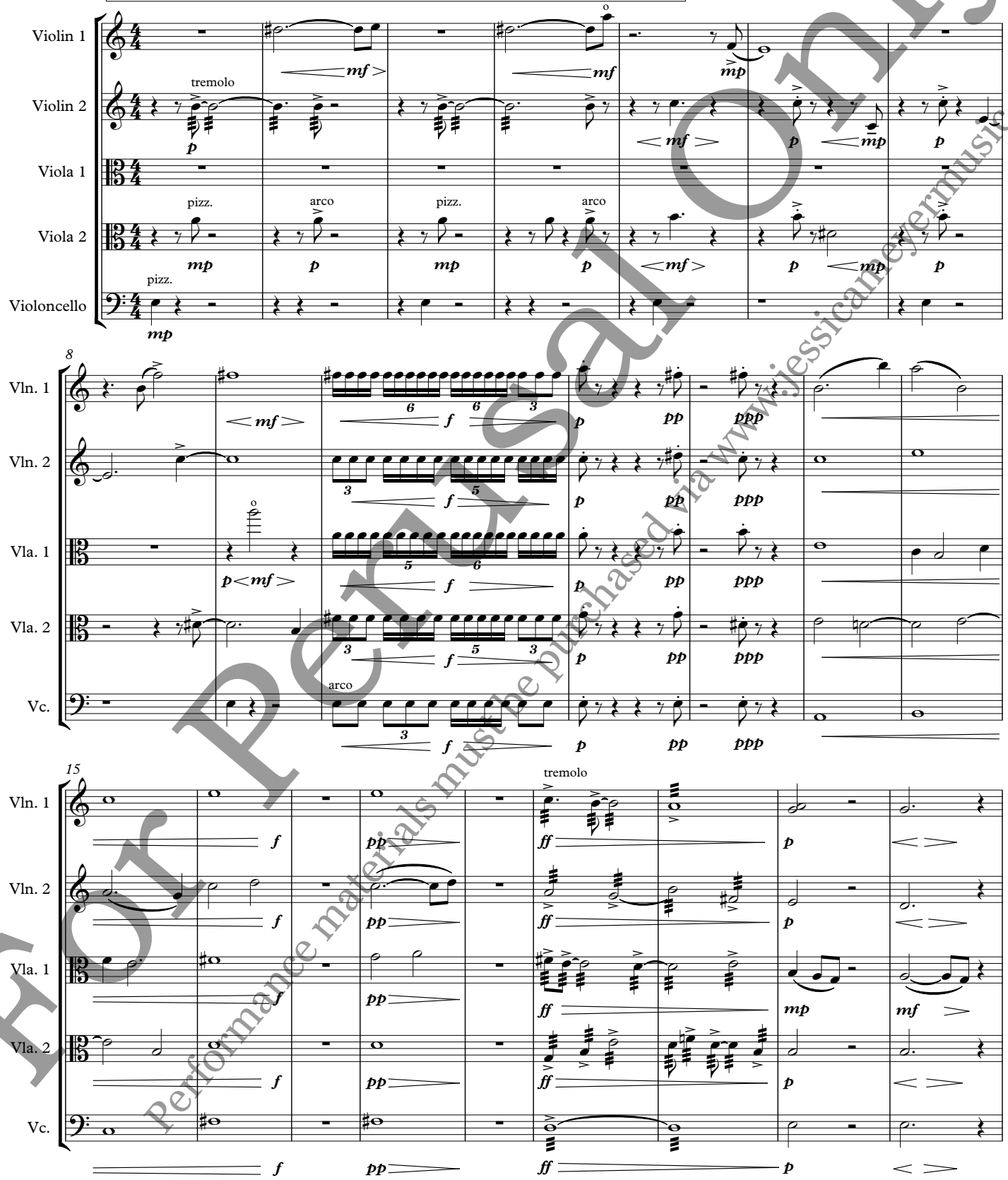
keep a rock steady tempo throughout as if you have a click-track & exaggerate all swells and accents



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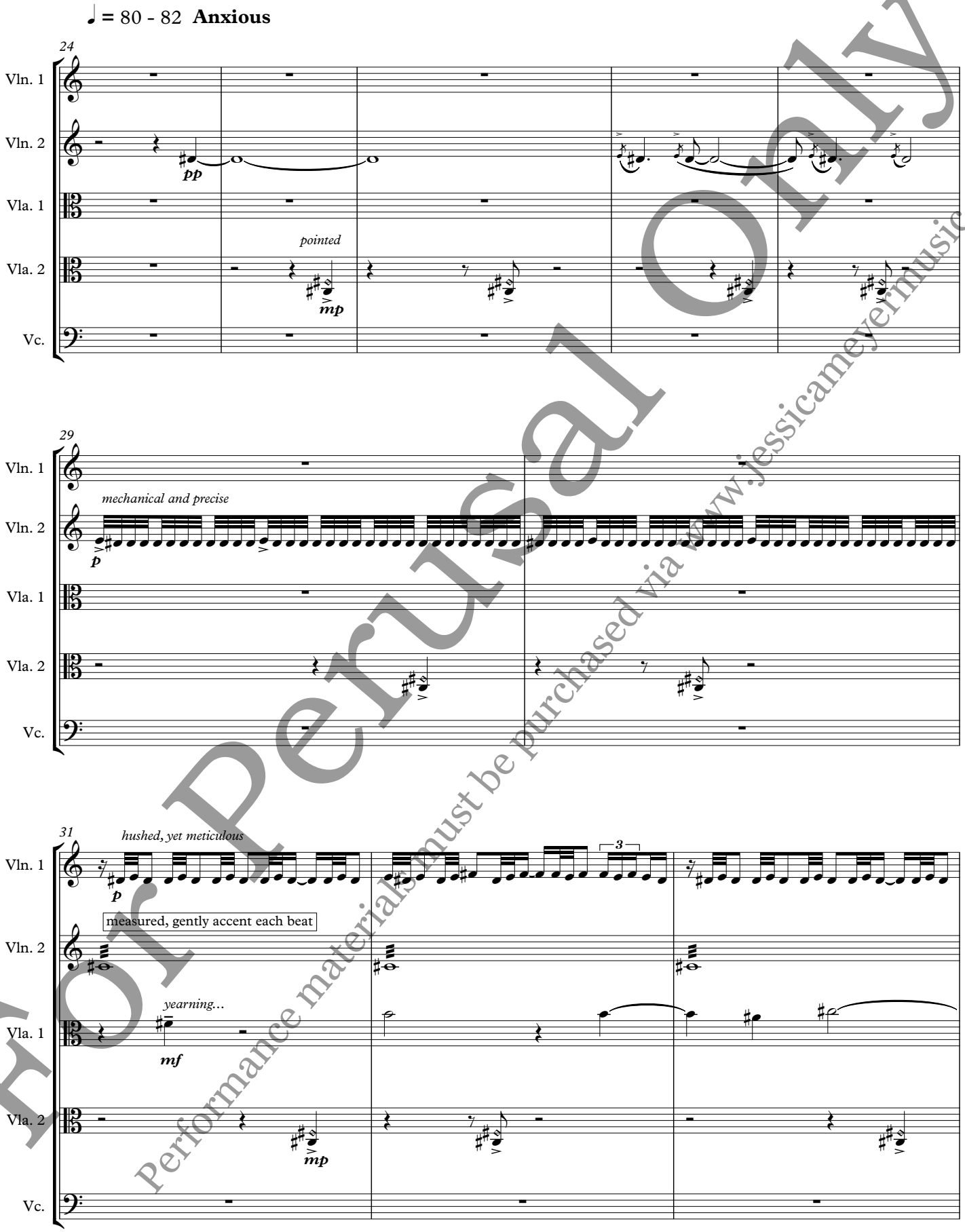

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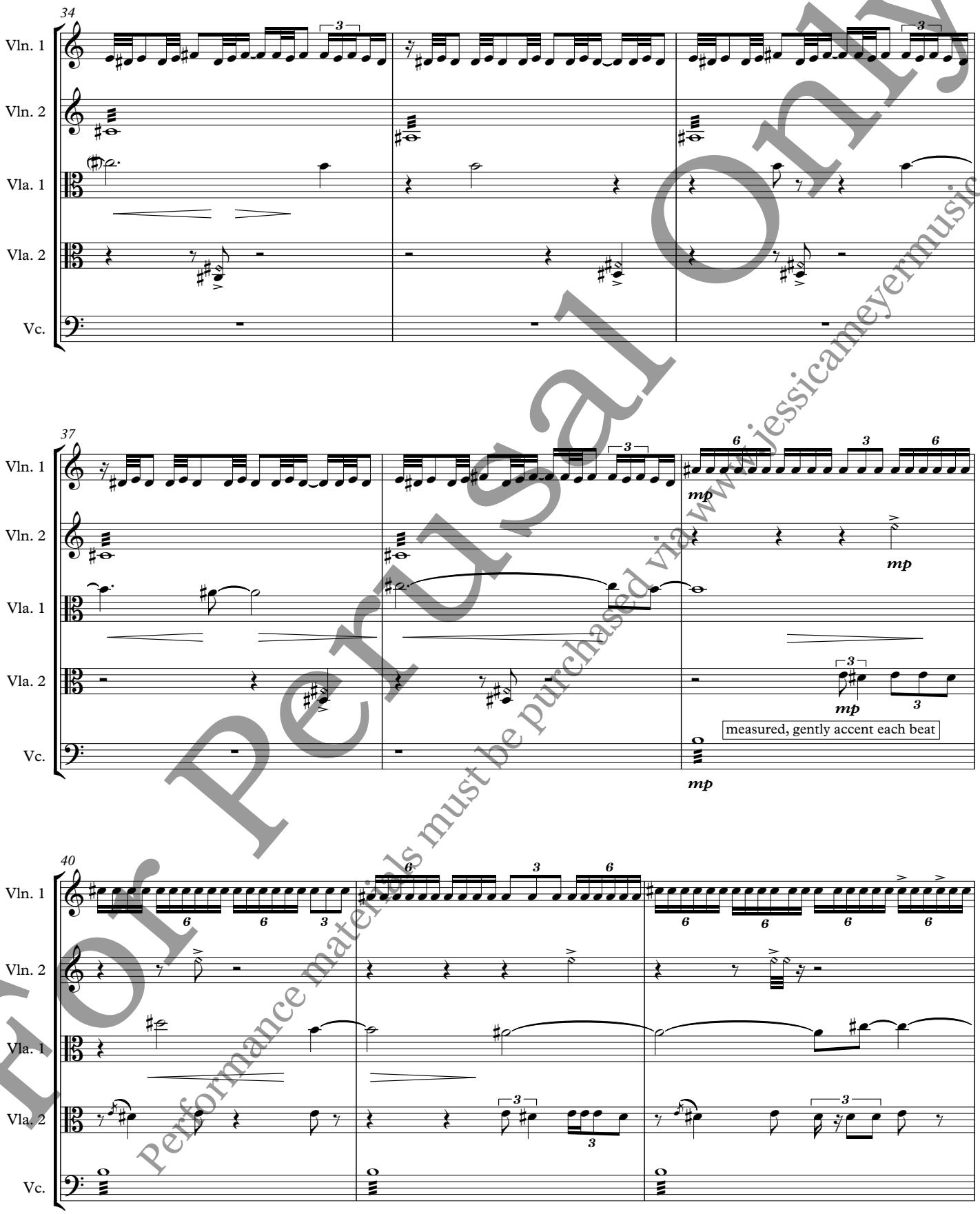

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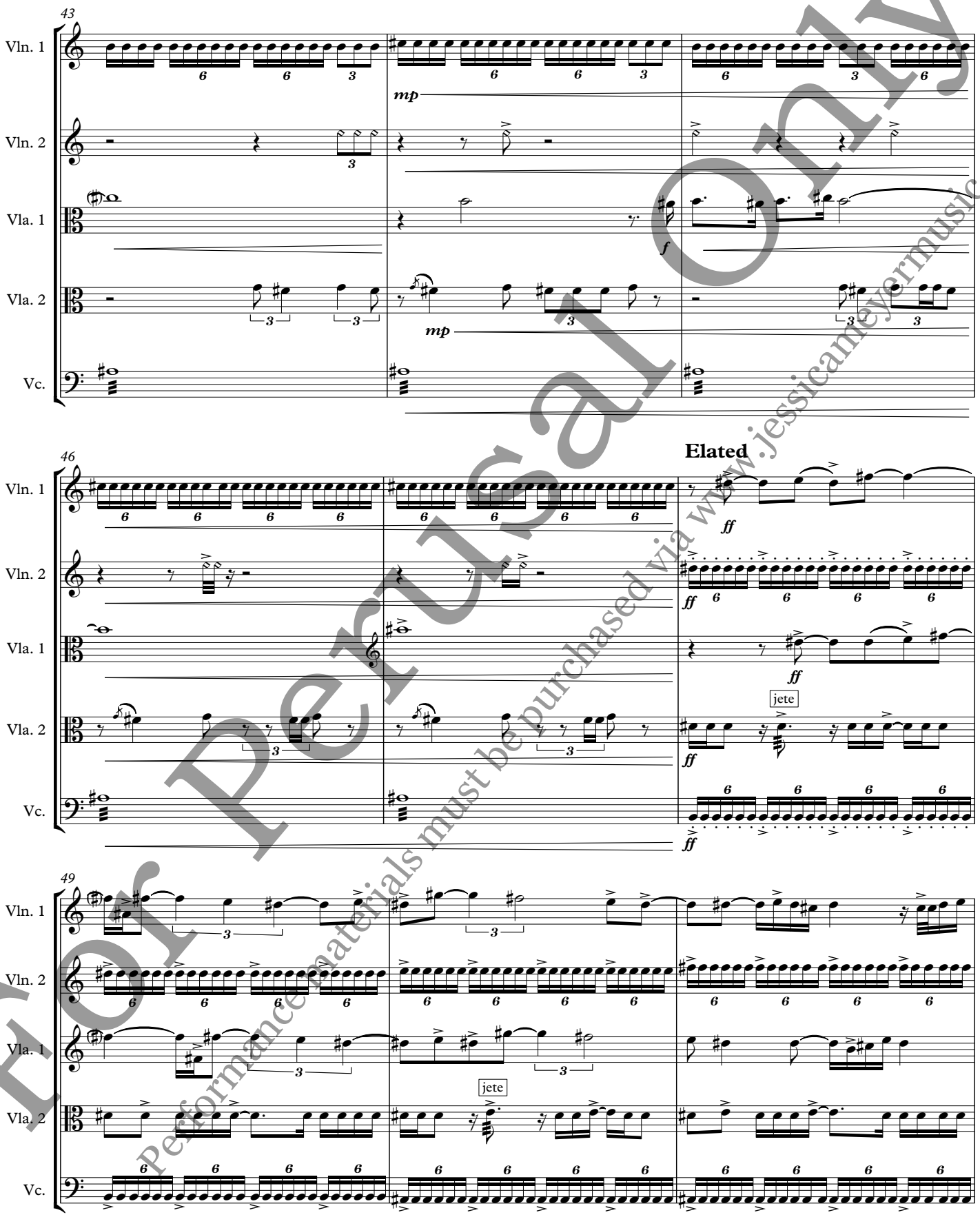

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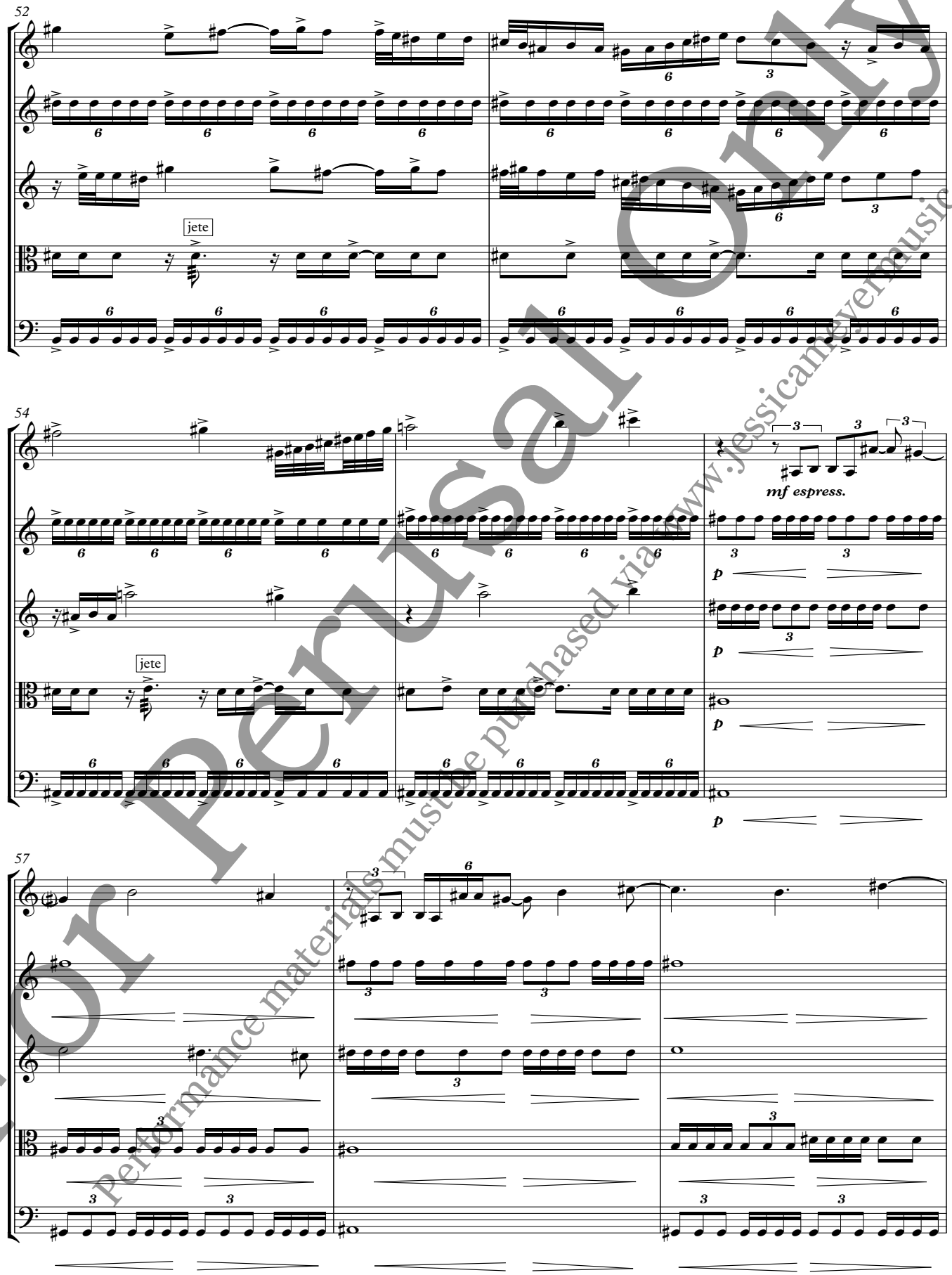

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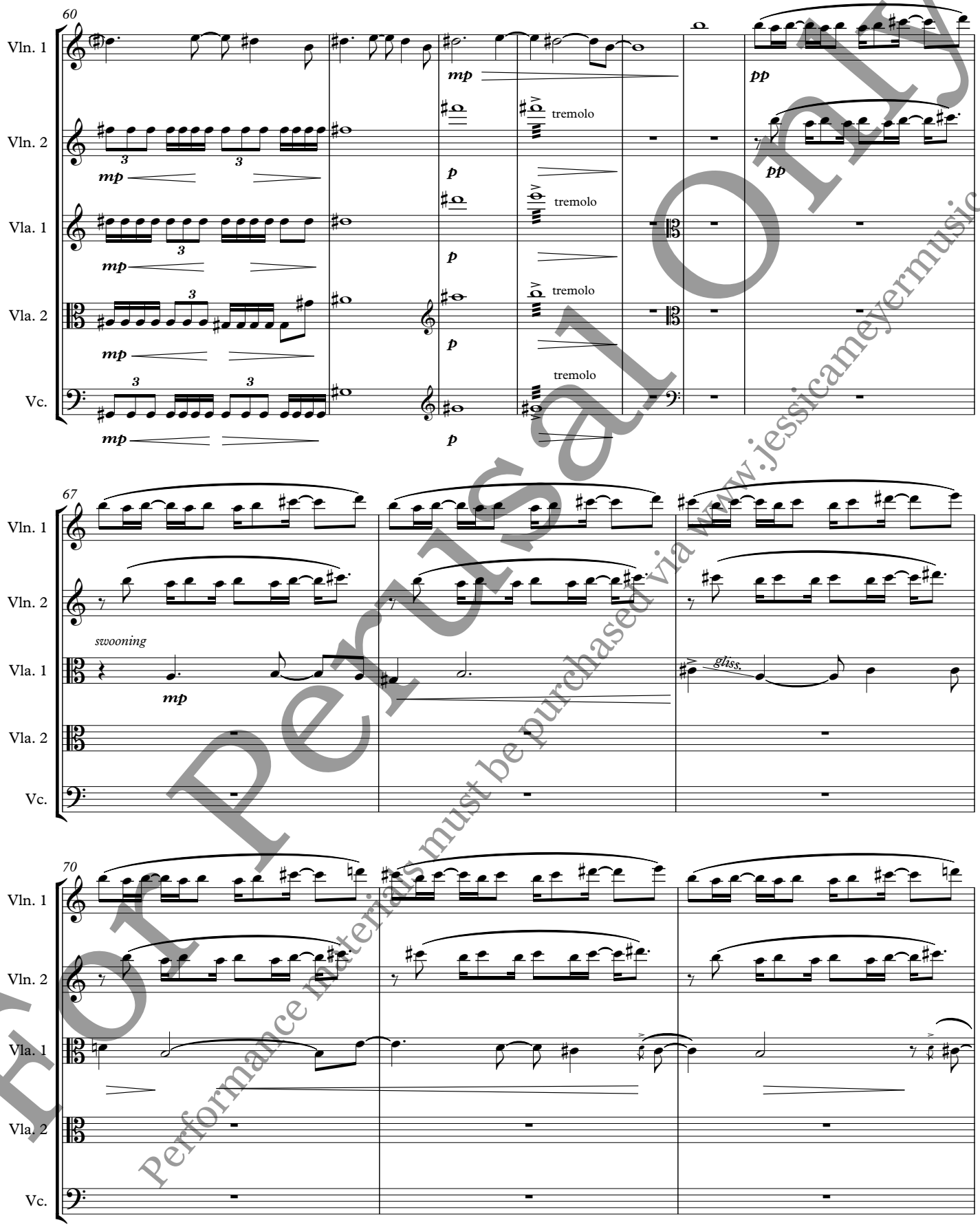

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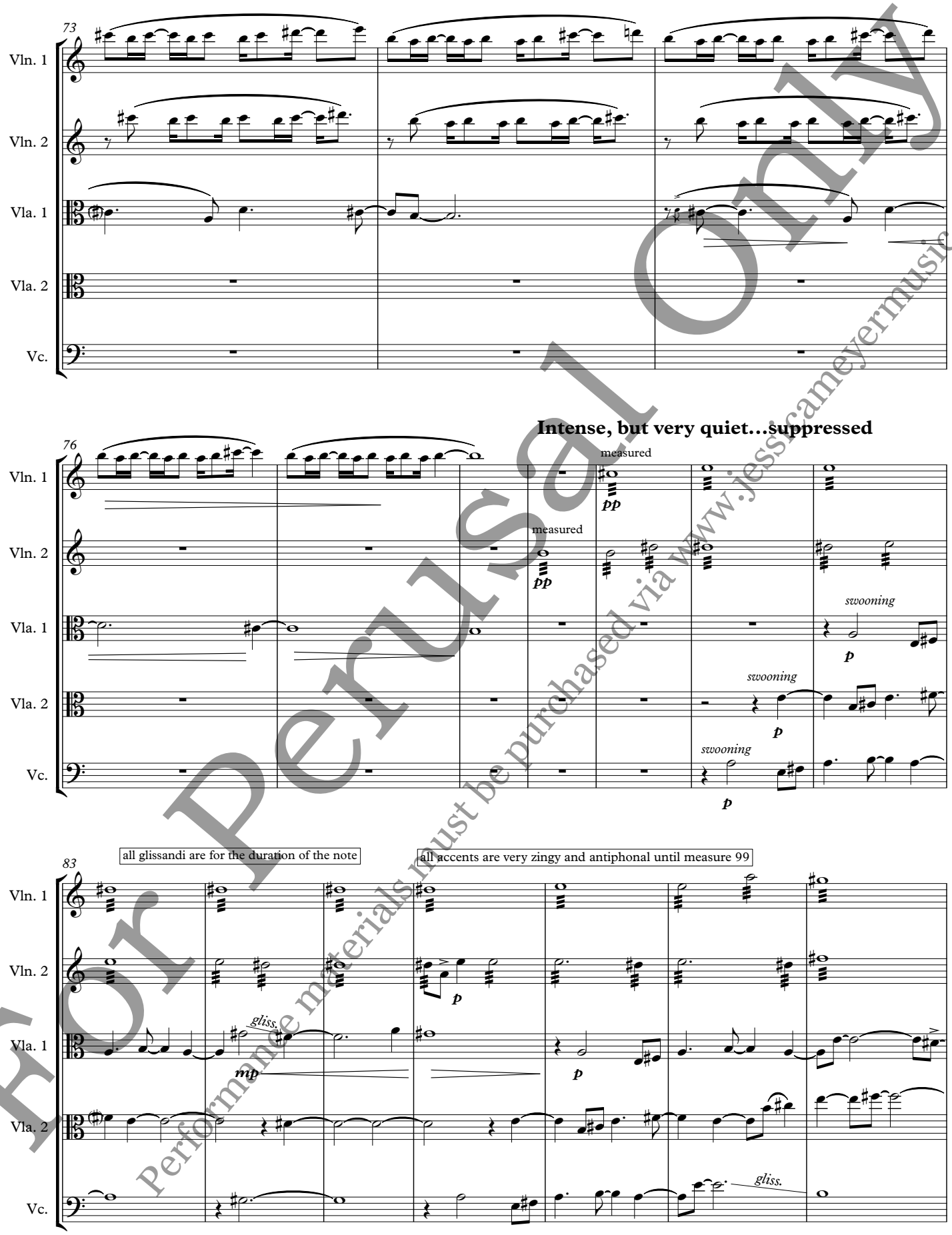

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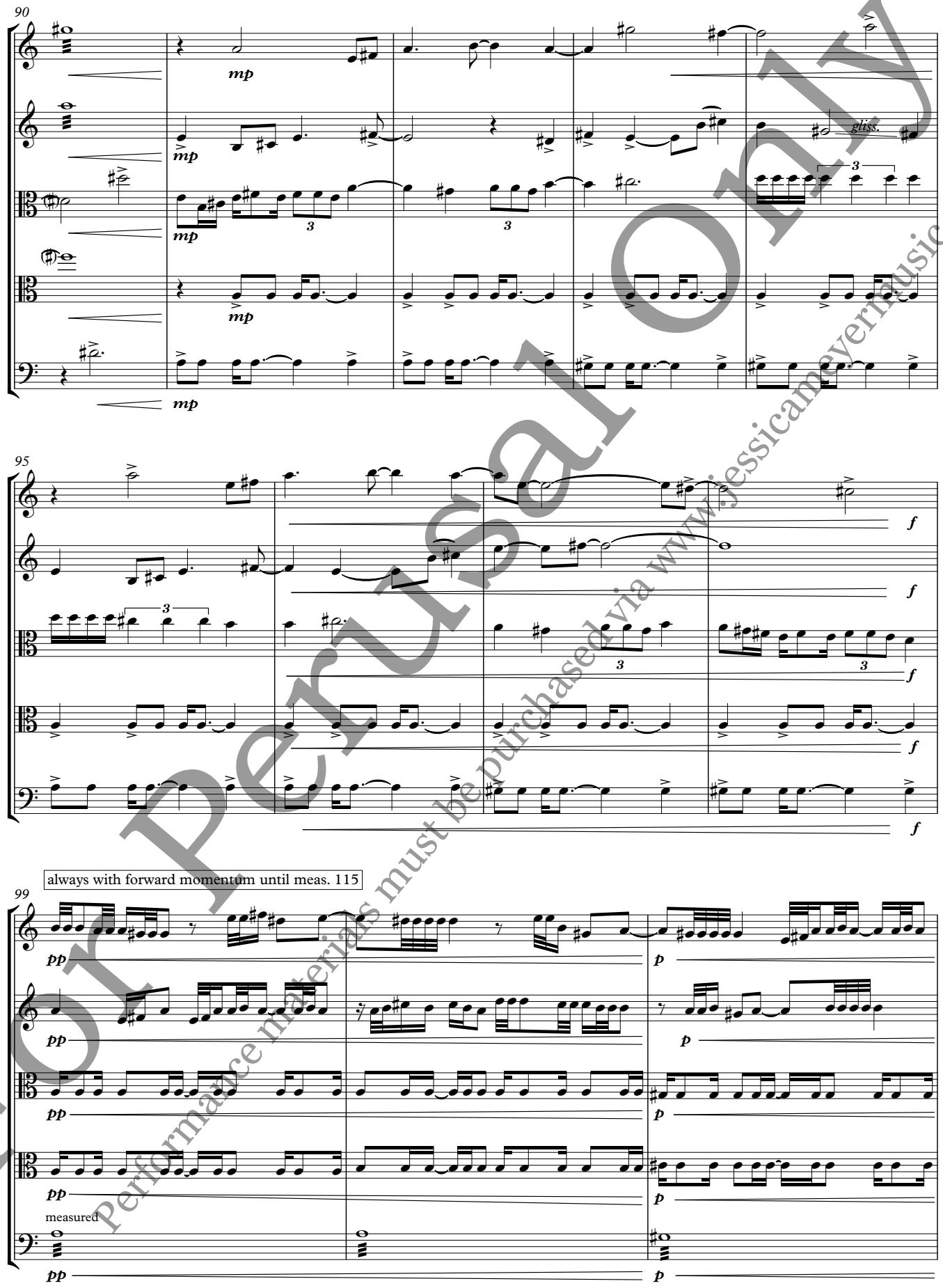

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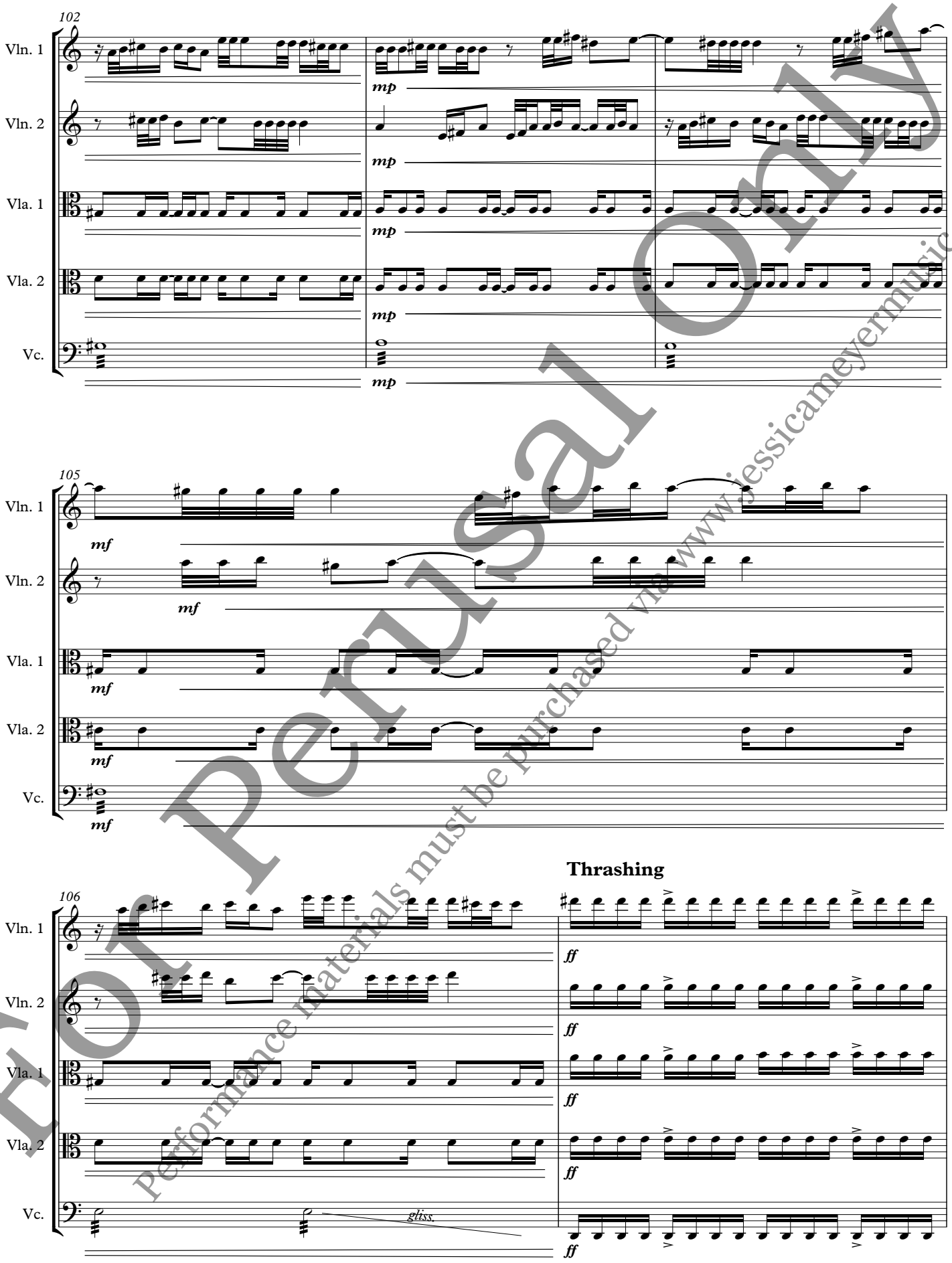

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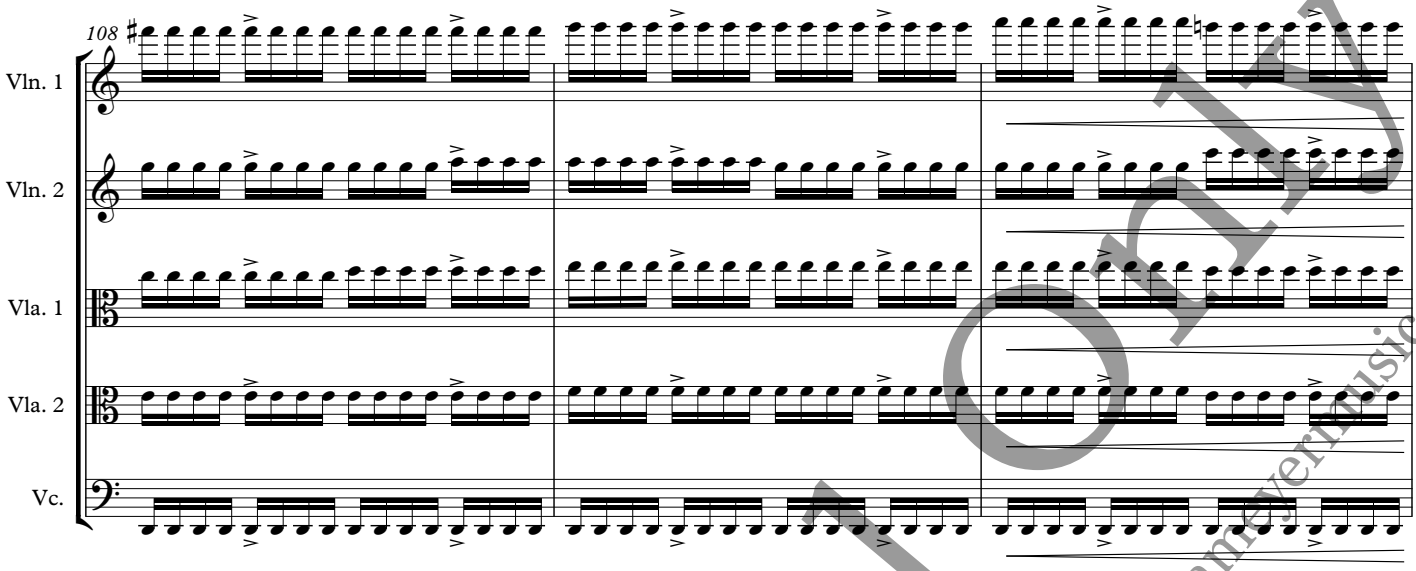
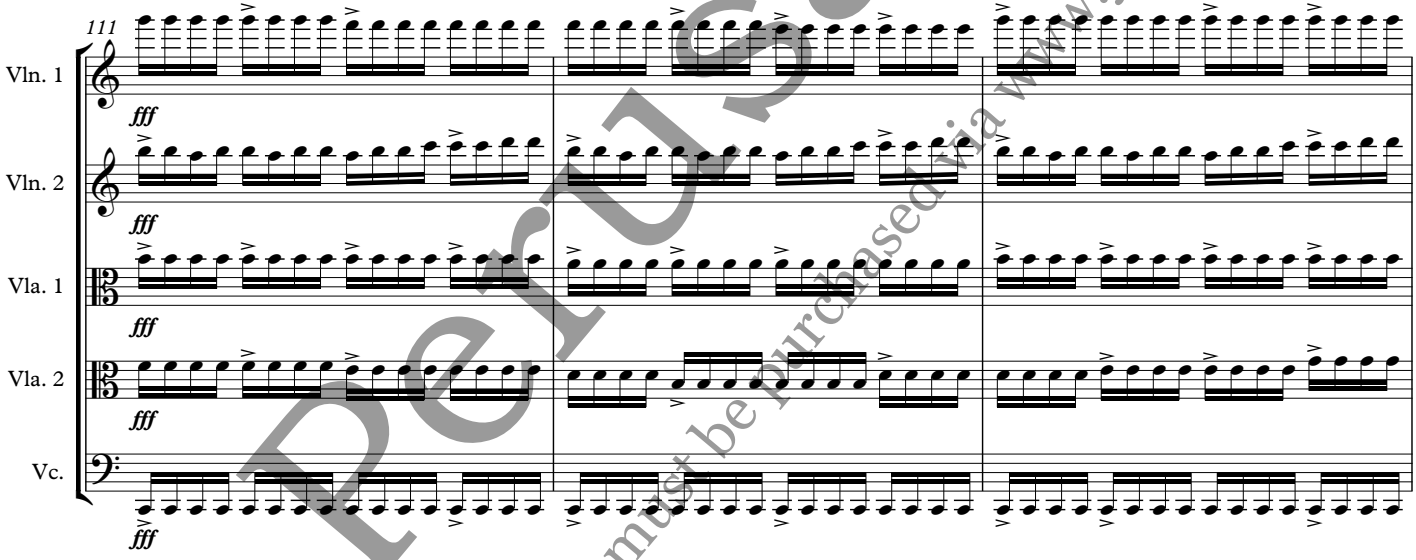
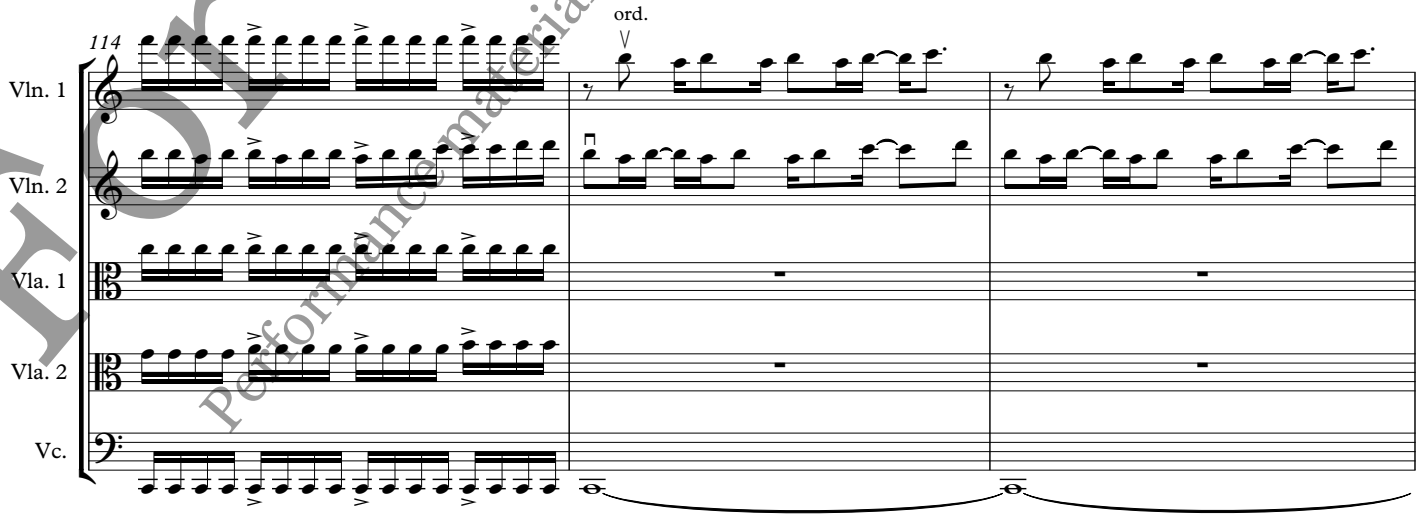
start to add open strings bit by bit.....



Ecstatic

all play with as many open strings as possible until measure 115





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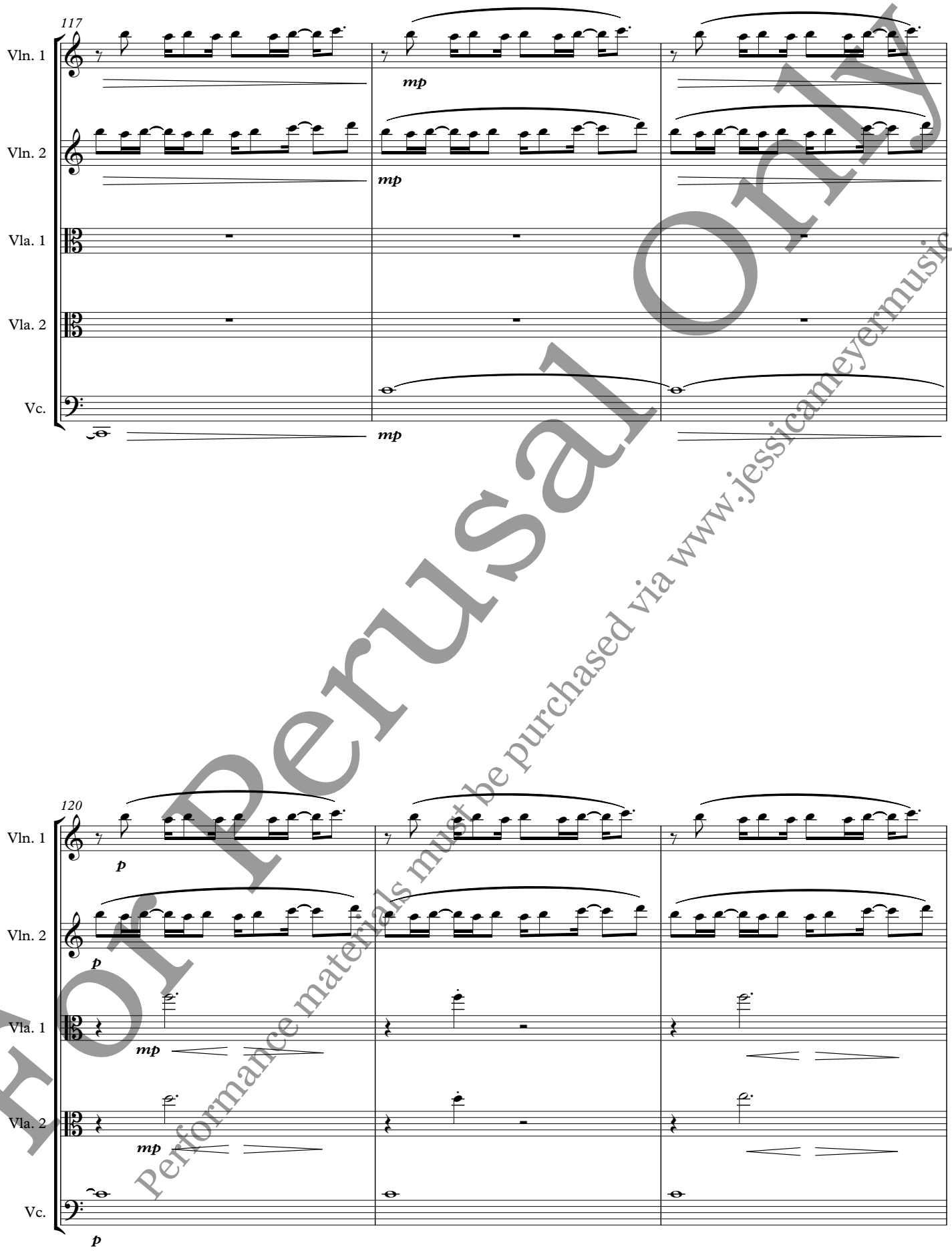

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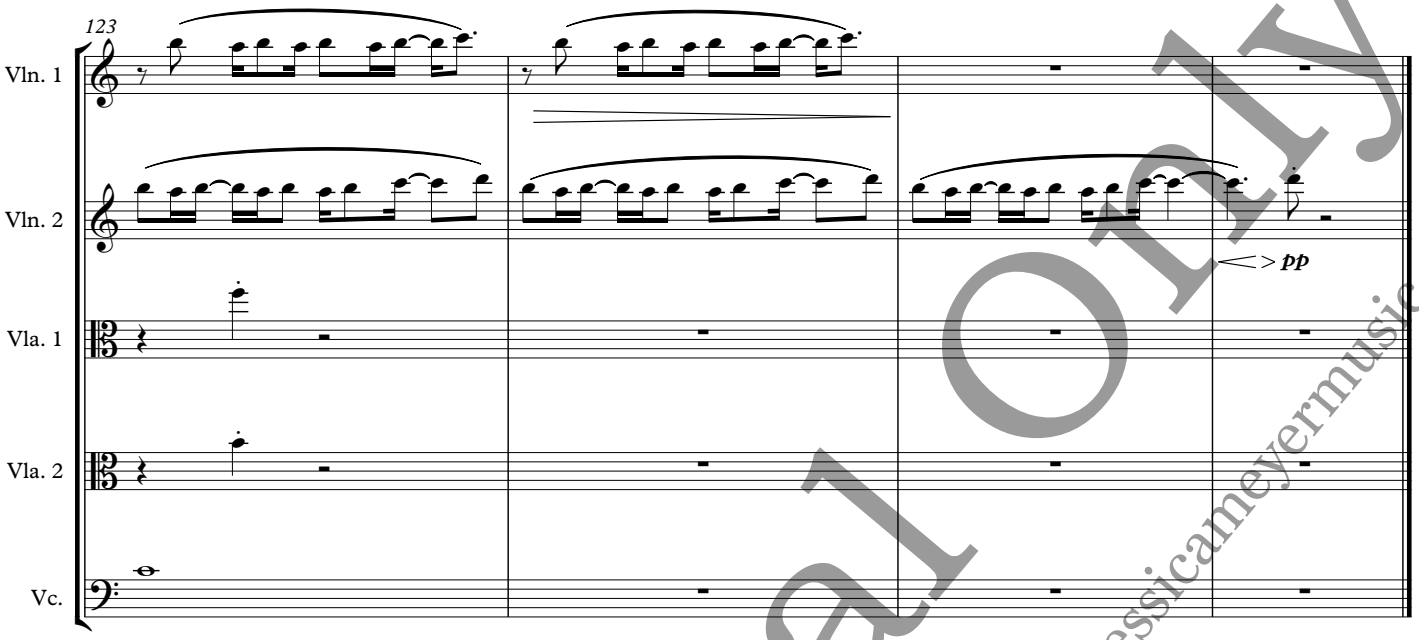

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