Contemplation on a Chord
For Strings

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Part for **Violin 4**

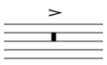
Duration – ca. 80 minutes

Notes

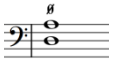
- Each player has their own part.
- Mutes are required for every player.
- Each player should consider their part as a solo part. In many places throughout the piece groups will play similar lines with slight variations in dynamics and articulation between them. It is very important that in these cases players do not attempt to modify their material to conform to their neighbors'. Similarly, dynamics should be interpreted on as absolute a scale as possible. For example, frequently a *piano* dynamic will be contrasted against a *mezzo piano* dynamic and it is important that this contrast not be blended away. In spite of this, a well blended tone and vibrato should generally be used unless indicated otherwise.
- Bow changes during long notes should be made as imperceptible as possible.
- Extensive cues have been included in all parts written in a small staff below the parts so that players may follow along with the group easily. Players should not rely on the conductor for cues as sections are frequently divided by player.

Explanation of Symbols

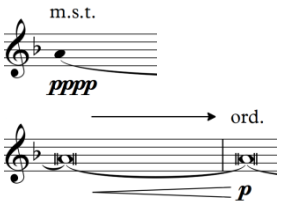
An accented rest calls for the player to dampen their strings with their left hand and avoid making any other noises (such as shuffling pages or switching mutes) for the duration of the rest if possible. Only a few exceptions are made in places where players are required to turn a page or change a mute on an accented rest.



A crossed-out 0 indicates that a note which might be played as an open string should be played fingered on another string.



m.s.t. indicates *molto sul tasto* playing until otherwise indicated. *ord* indicates normal bow position. An arrow leading to *ord* indicates a gradual transition into normal bow position.



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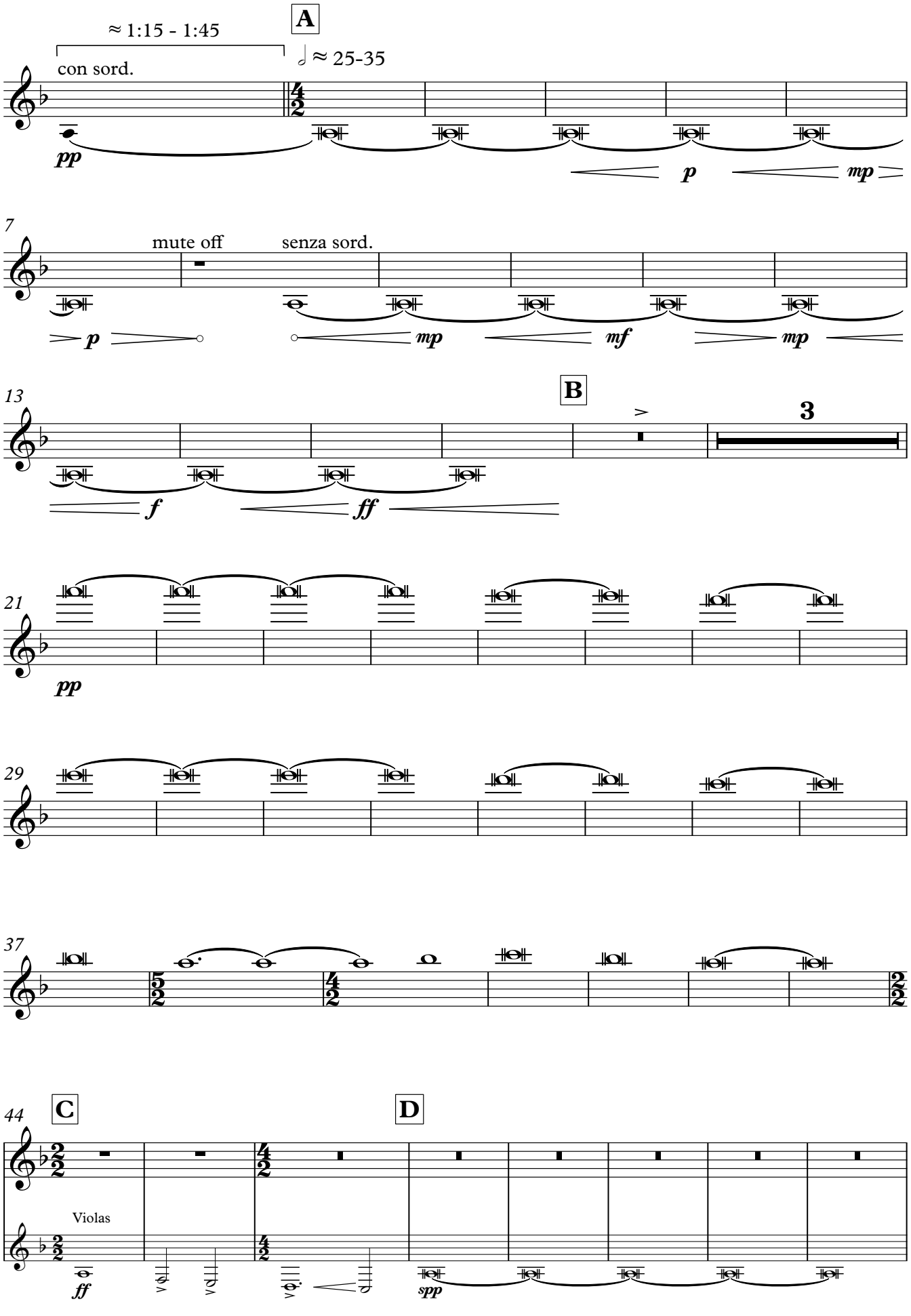
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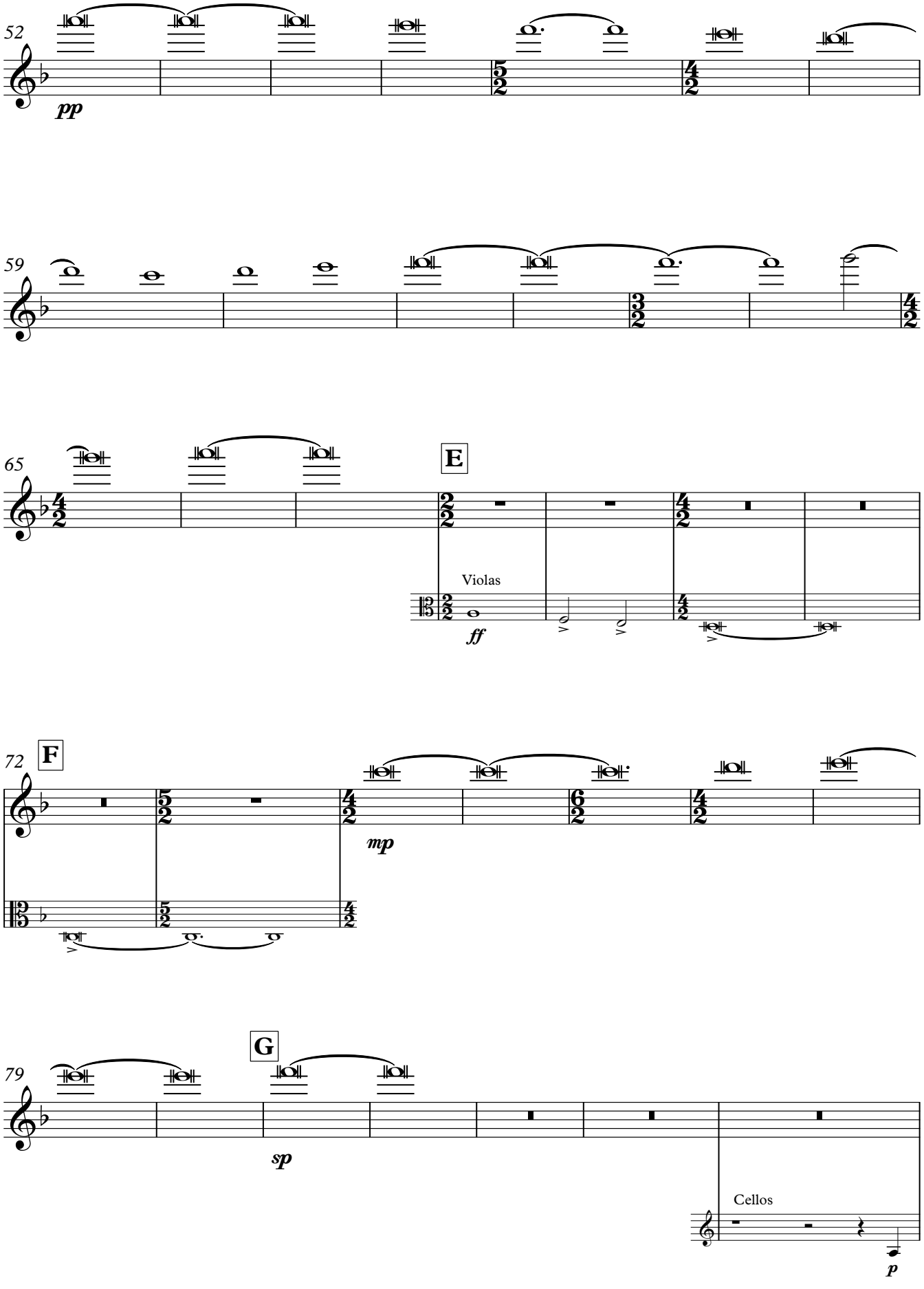
con sord.
𝅗𝅥 ≈ 25-35
pp
p
mp
7
mute off
senza sord.
p
mp
mf
mp
13
B
3
f
ff
21
pp
29
37
44
C
D
Violas
ff
spp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65
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Violas
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79
G
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Cellos
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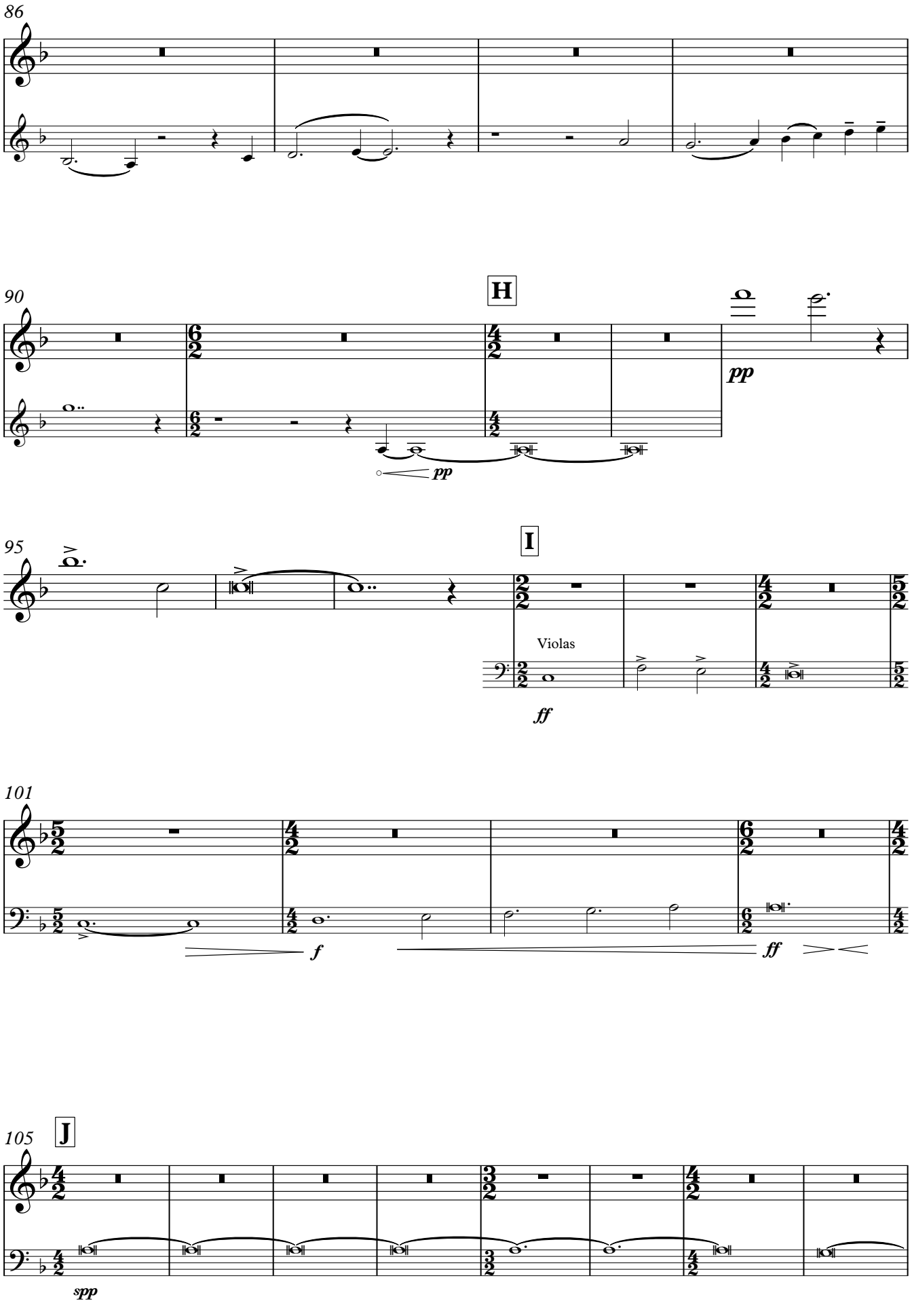
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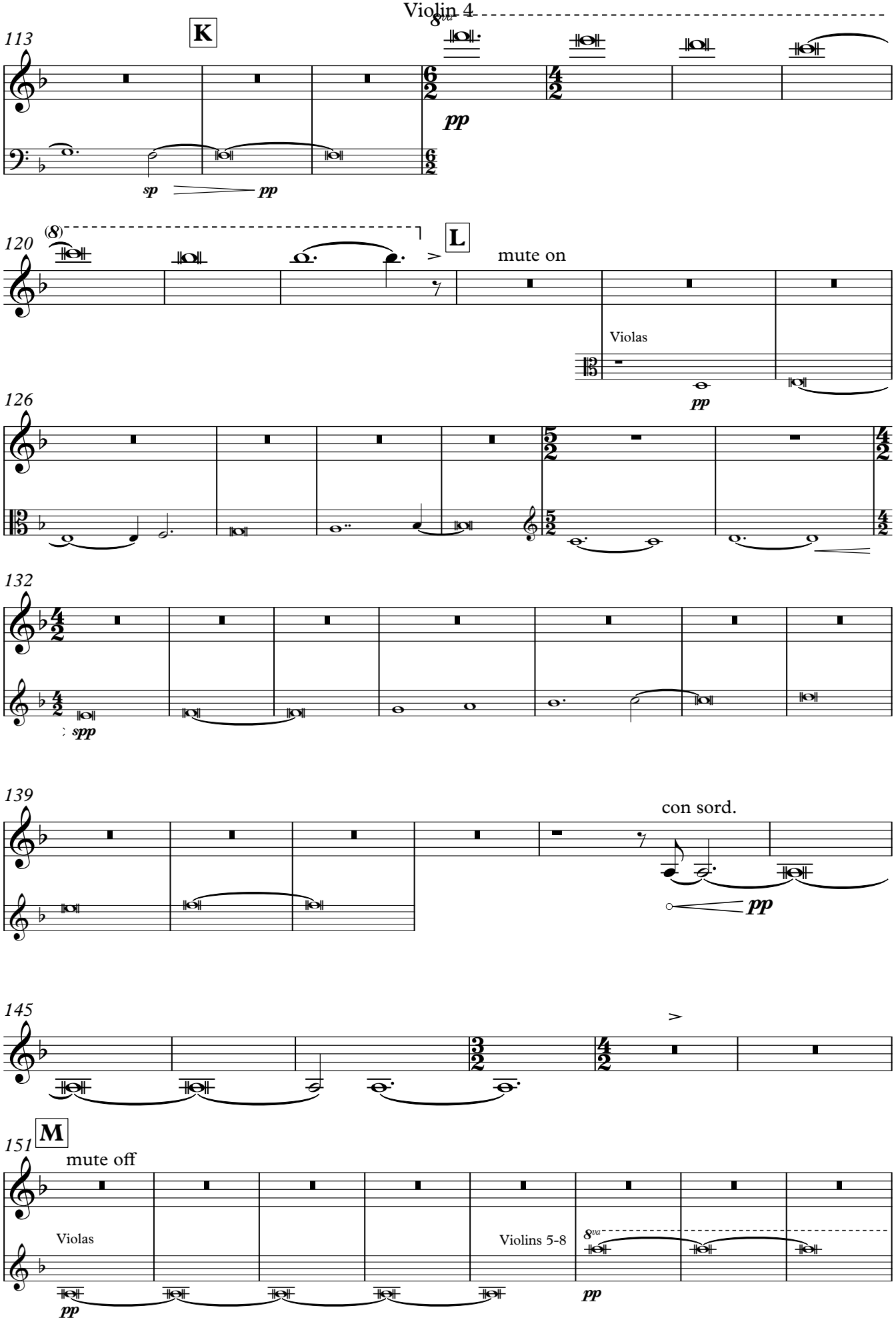
105
J
spp


113
K
8va
pp
sp
pp
120
(8)
L
mute on
Violas
pp
126
132
spp
139
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pp
145
151
M
mute off
Violas
pp
Violins 5-8
8va
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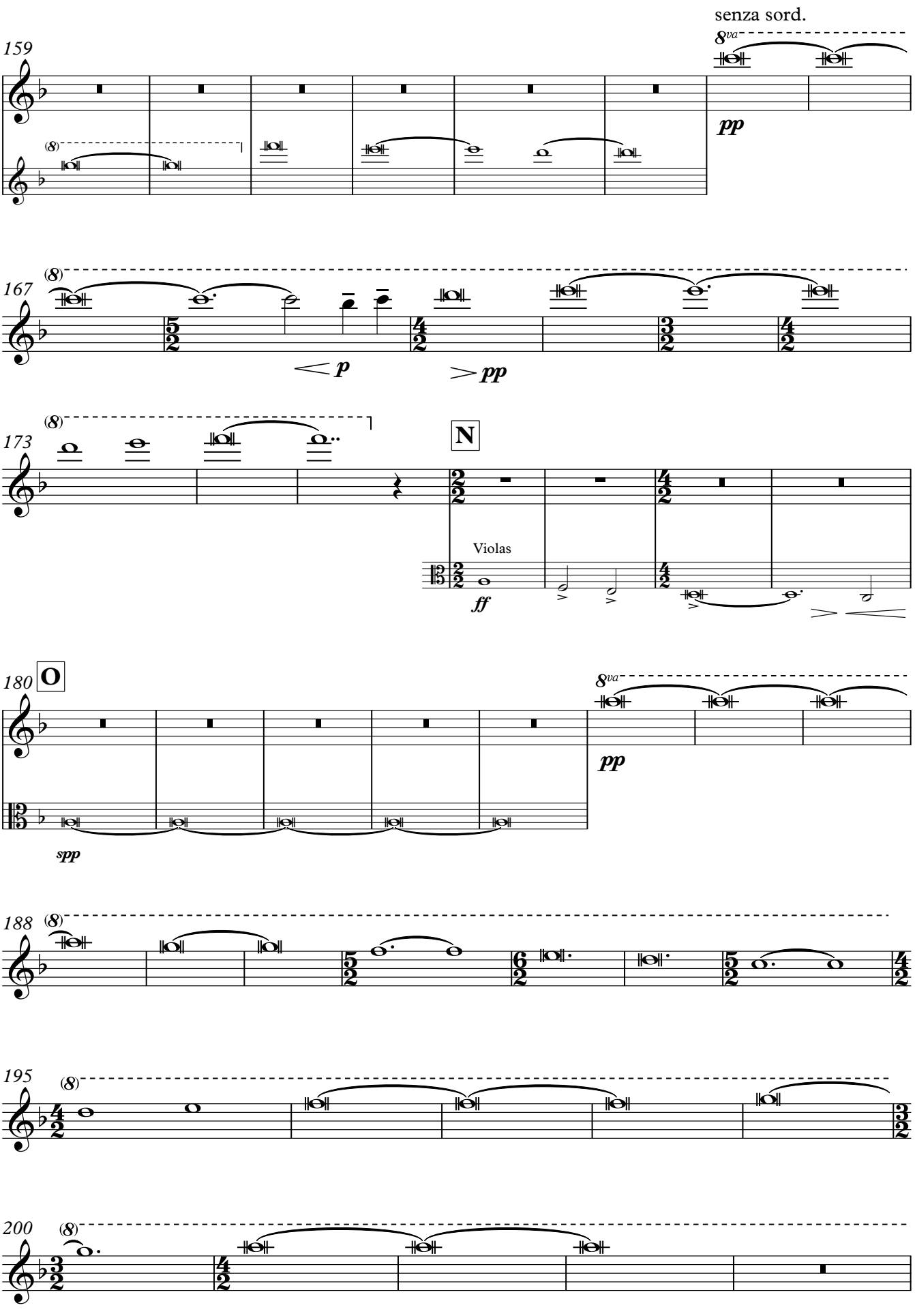
senza sord.
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(8)
167
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p
pp
173
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Violas
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(8)
195
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200
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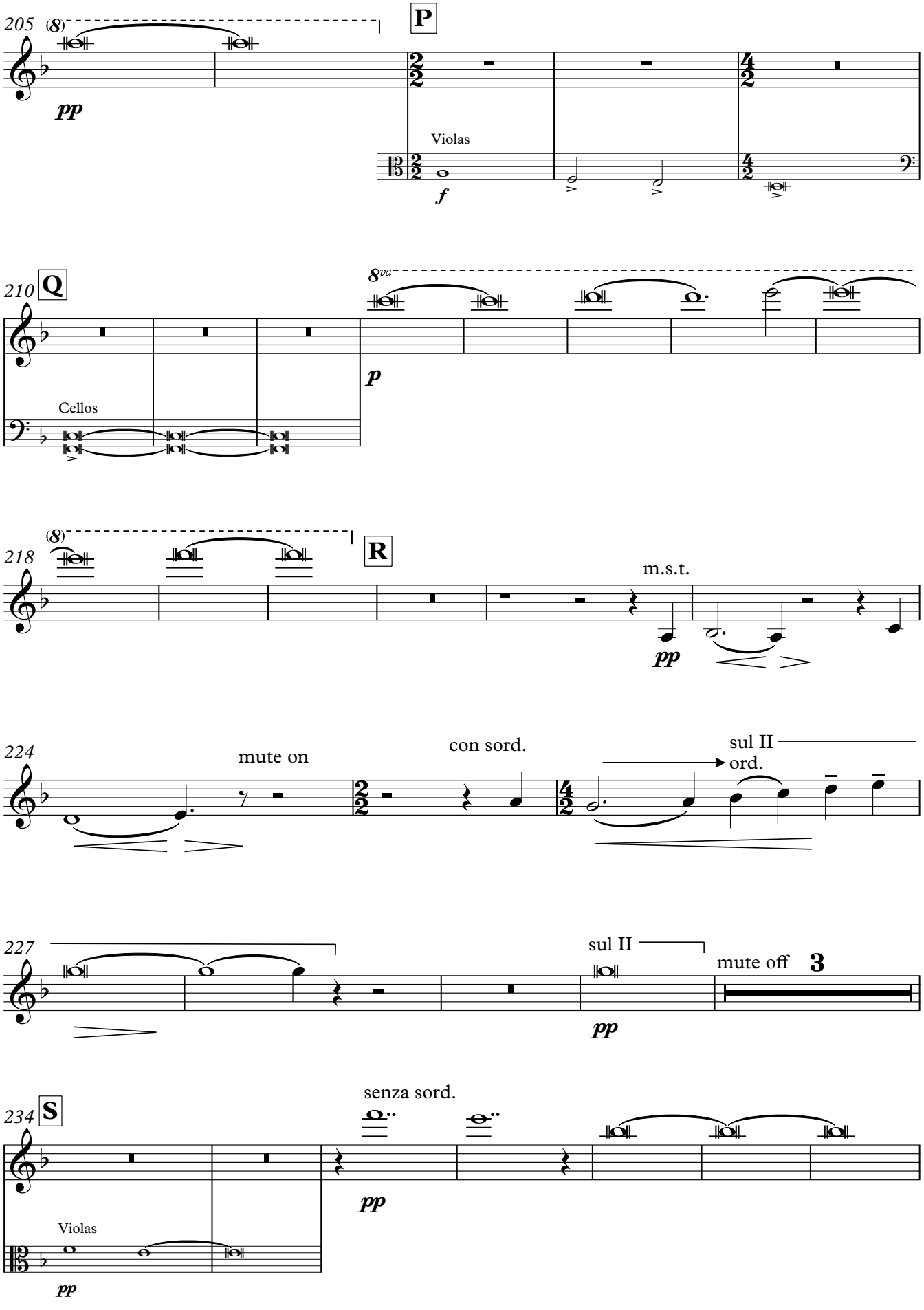
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(8)
P
pp
Violas
f
210
Q
8va
p
Cellos
218
(8)
R
m.s.t.
pp
224
mute on
con sord.
sul II
ord.
227
sul II
mute off
3
pp
234
S
senza sord.
pp
Violas
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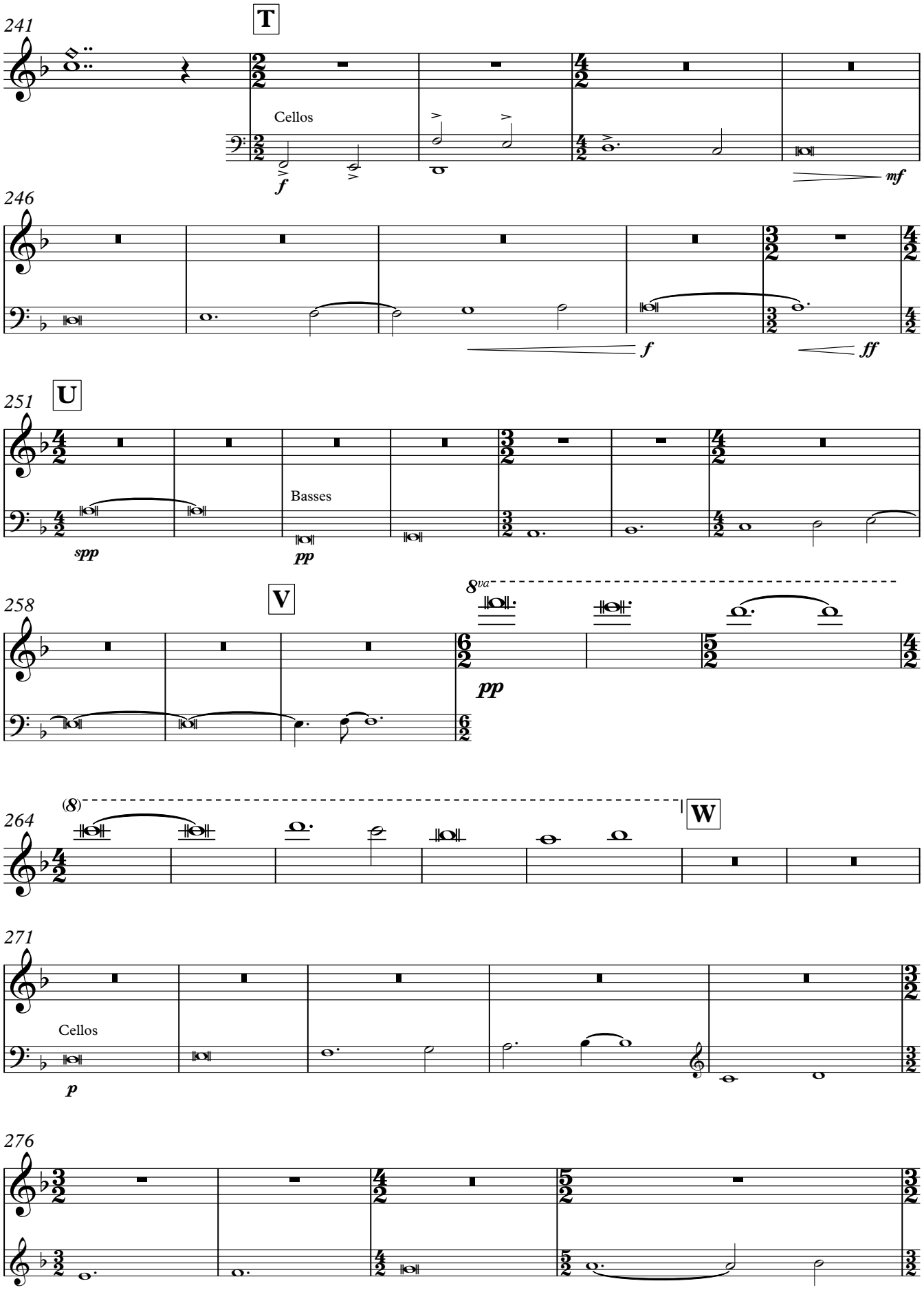
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Basses
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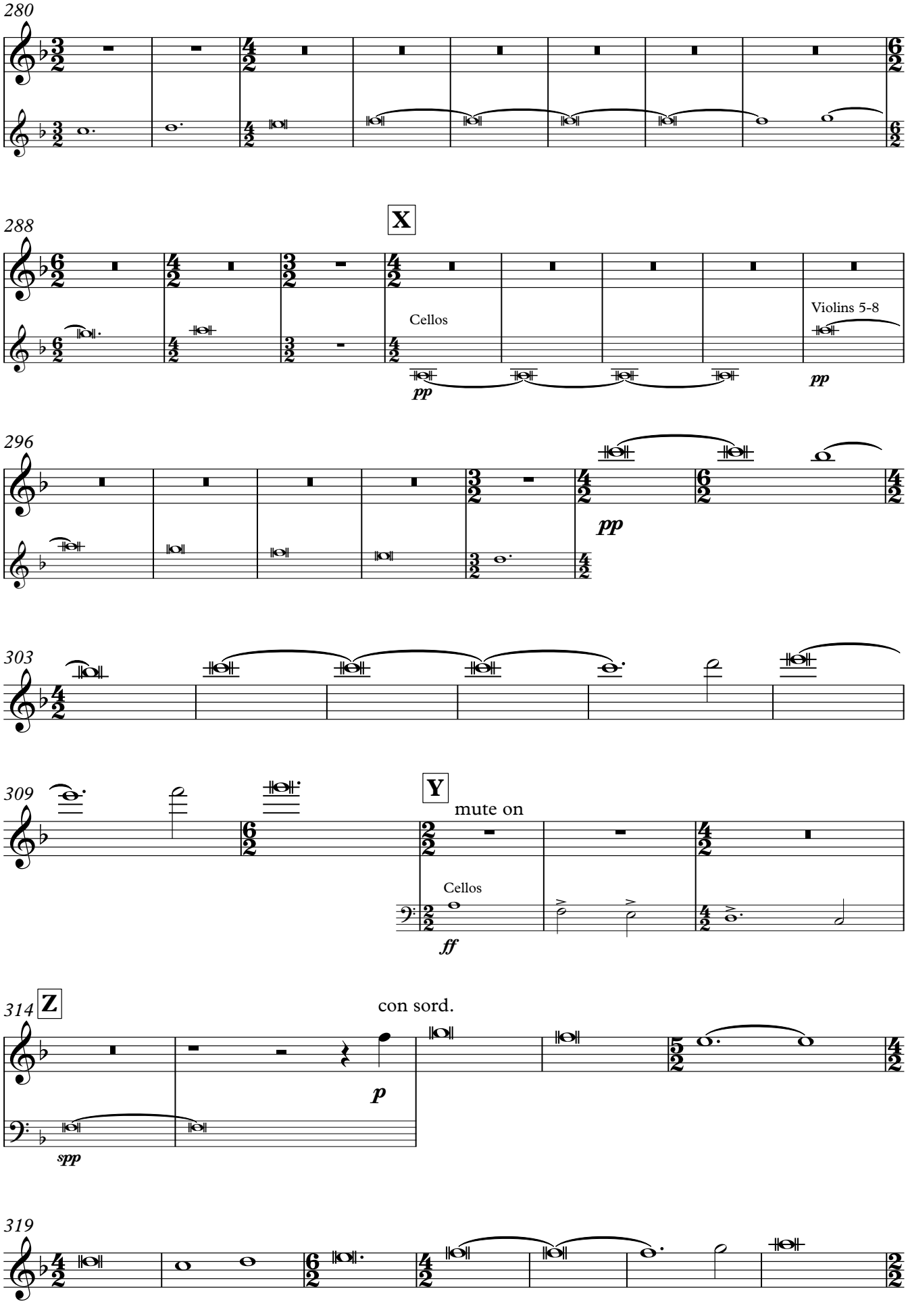
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Cellos
Violins 5-8
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Y
mute on
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con sord.
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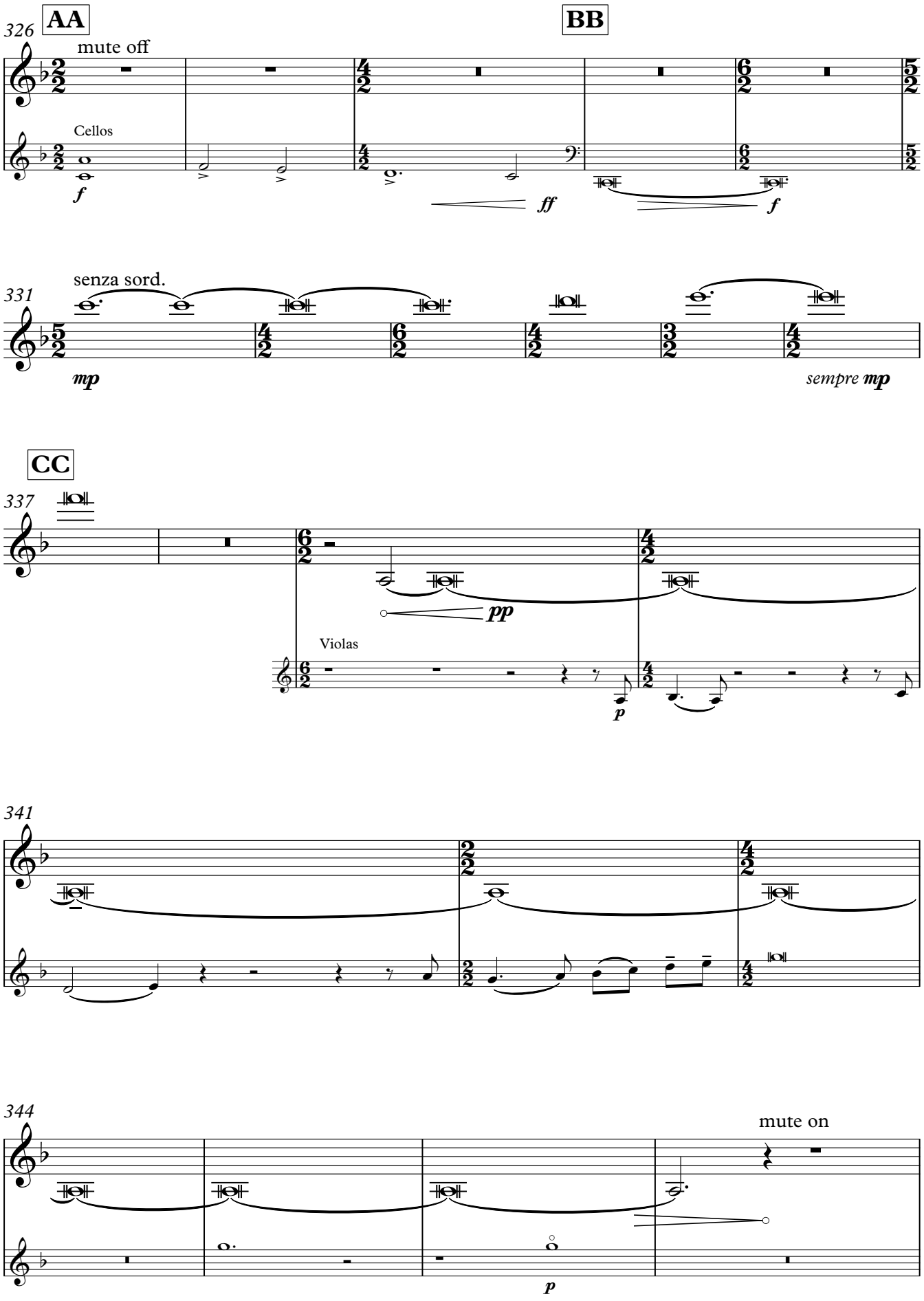
326
AA
mute off
Cellos
f
ff
BB
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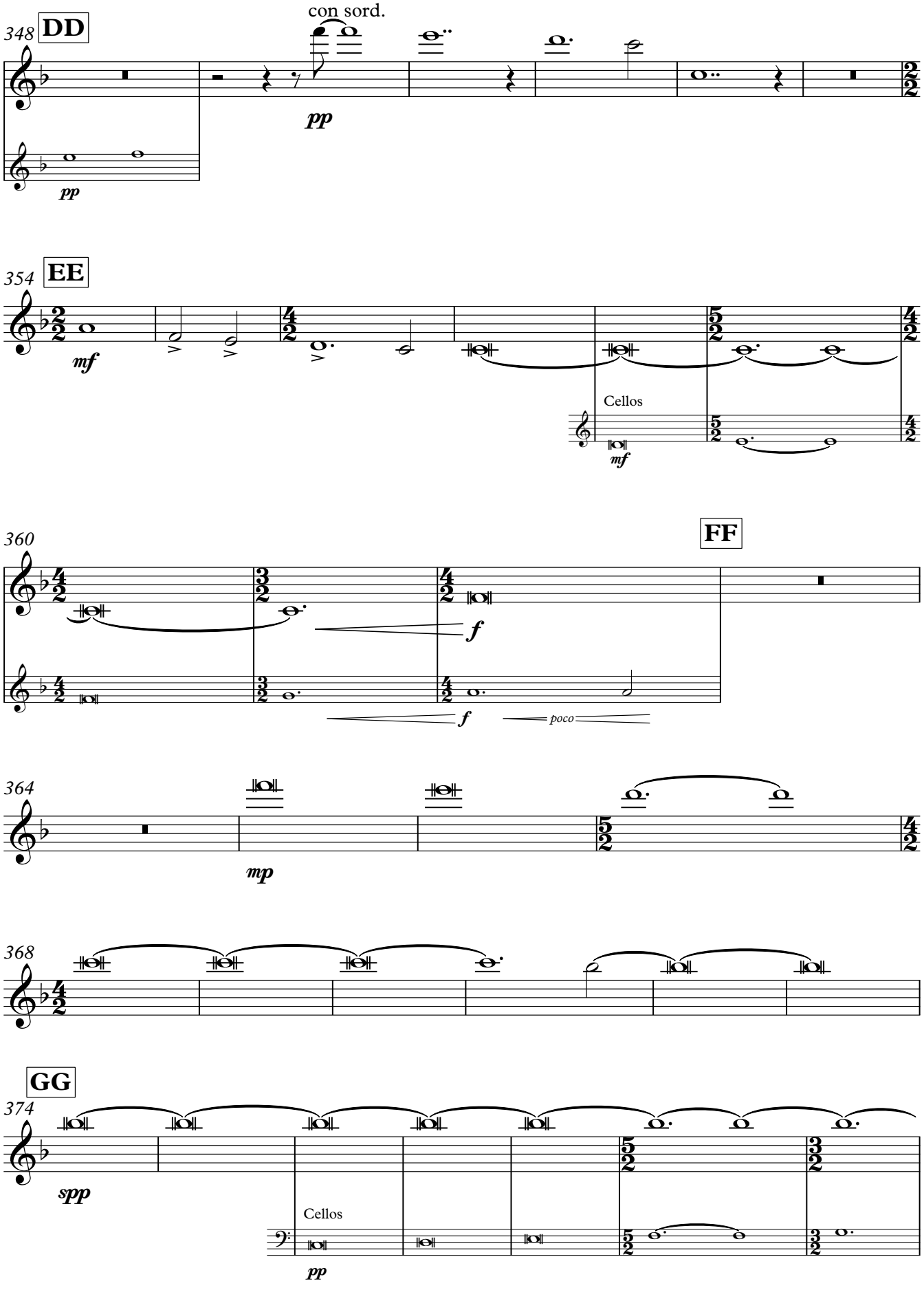
CC
337
pp
Violas
p
341
344
mute on
p


con sord.
348
DD
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Cellos
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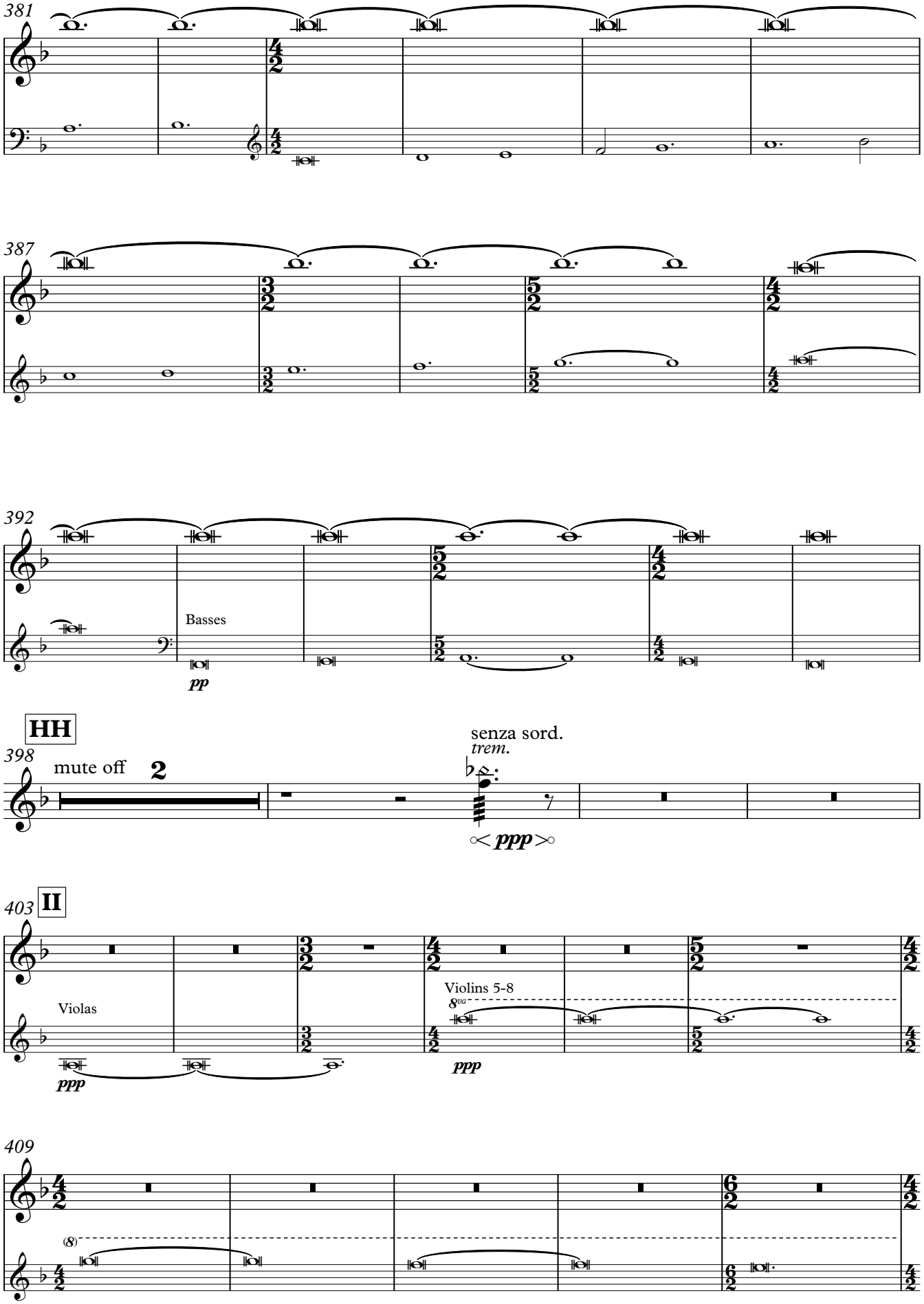
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Violas
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Violins 5-8
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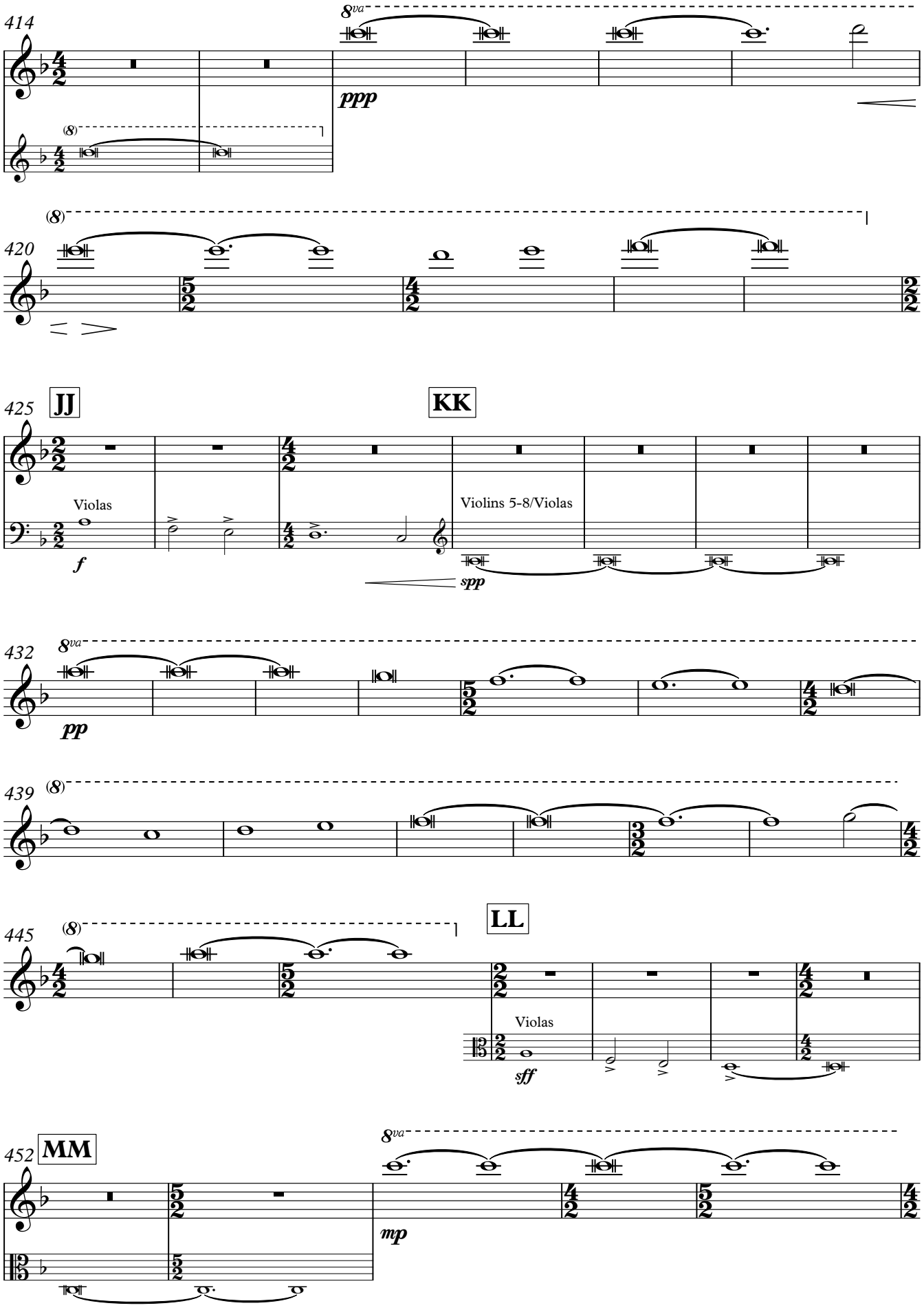
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JJ
KK
Violas
f
Violins 5-8/Violas
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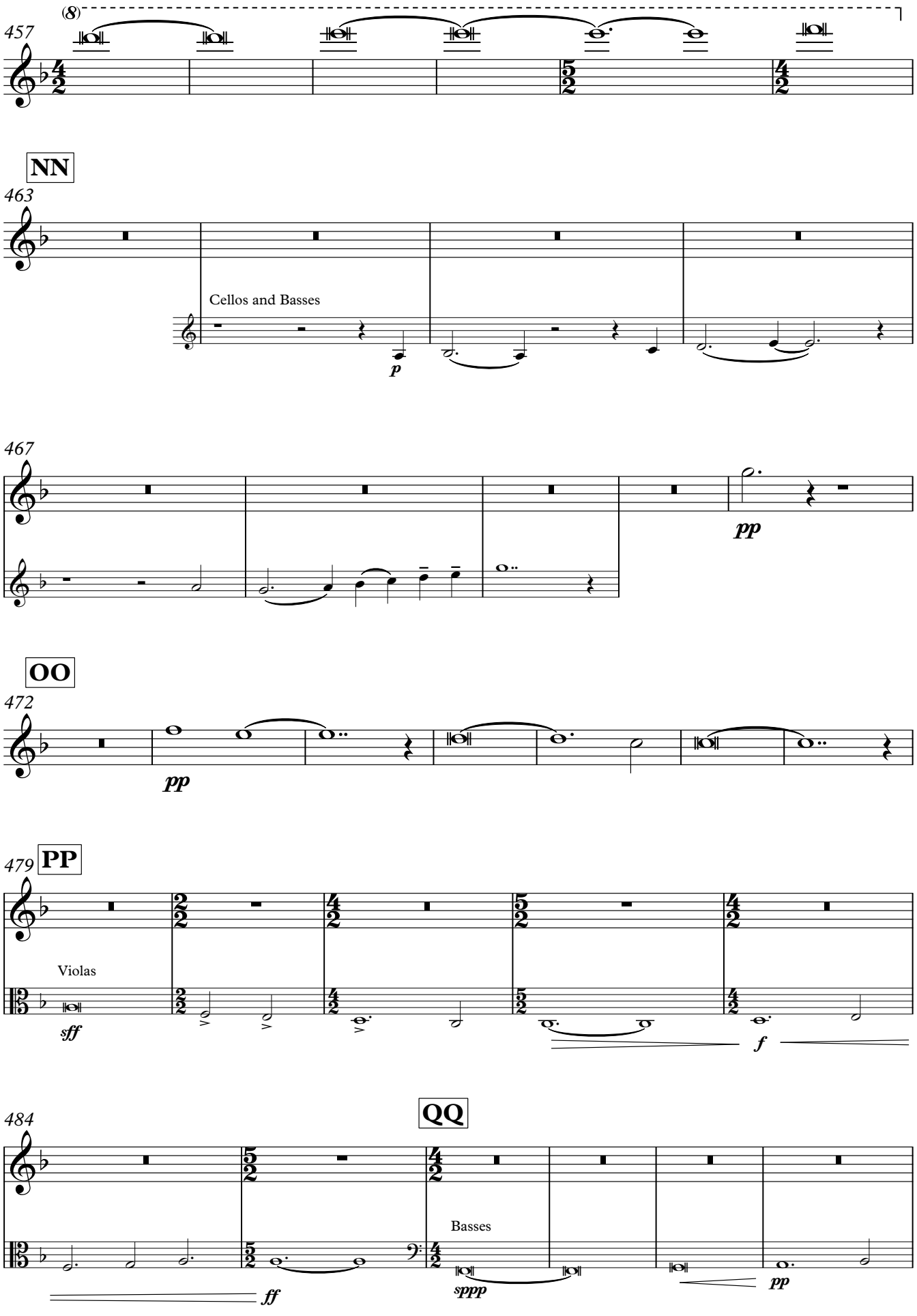
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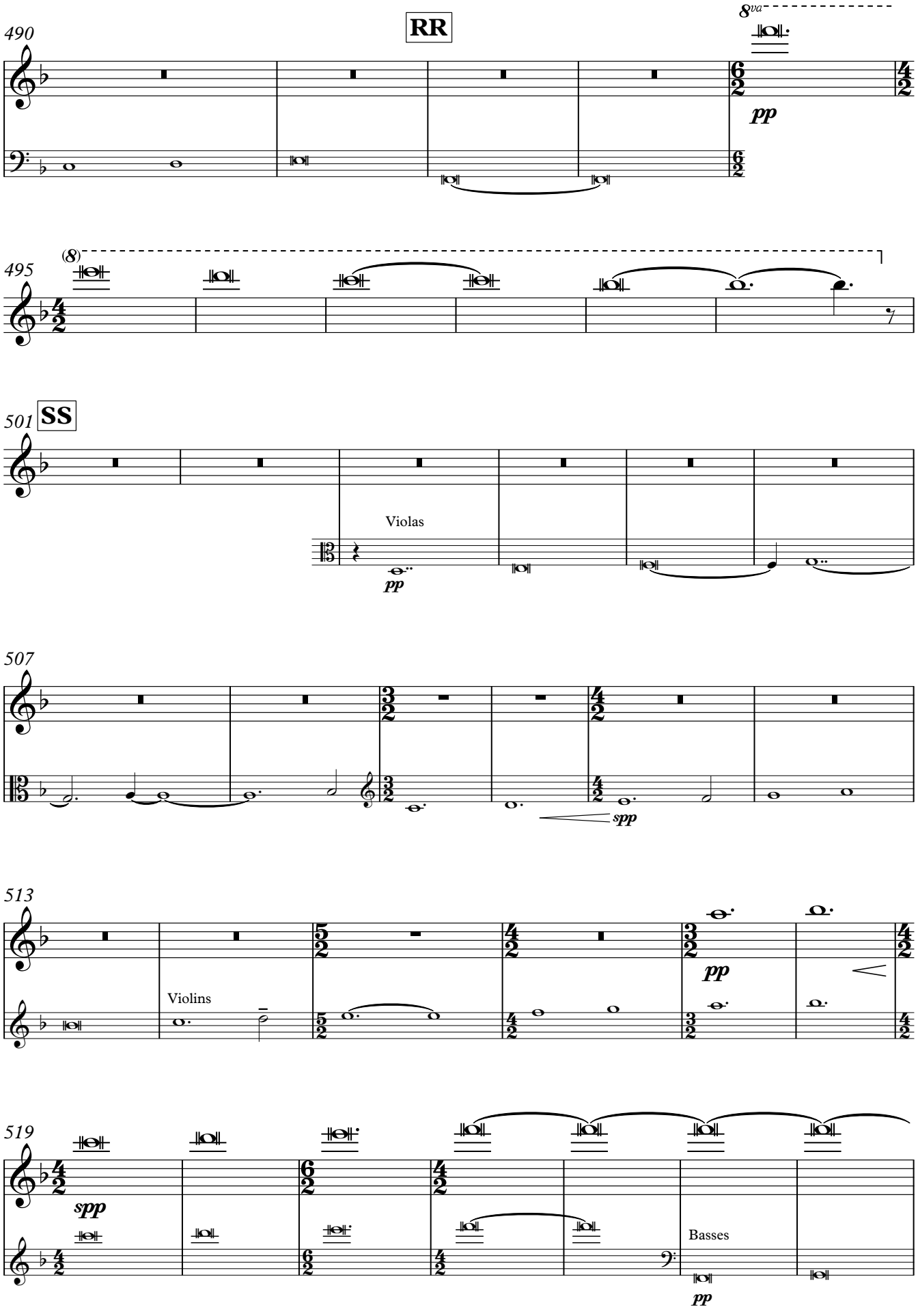
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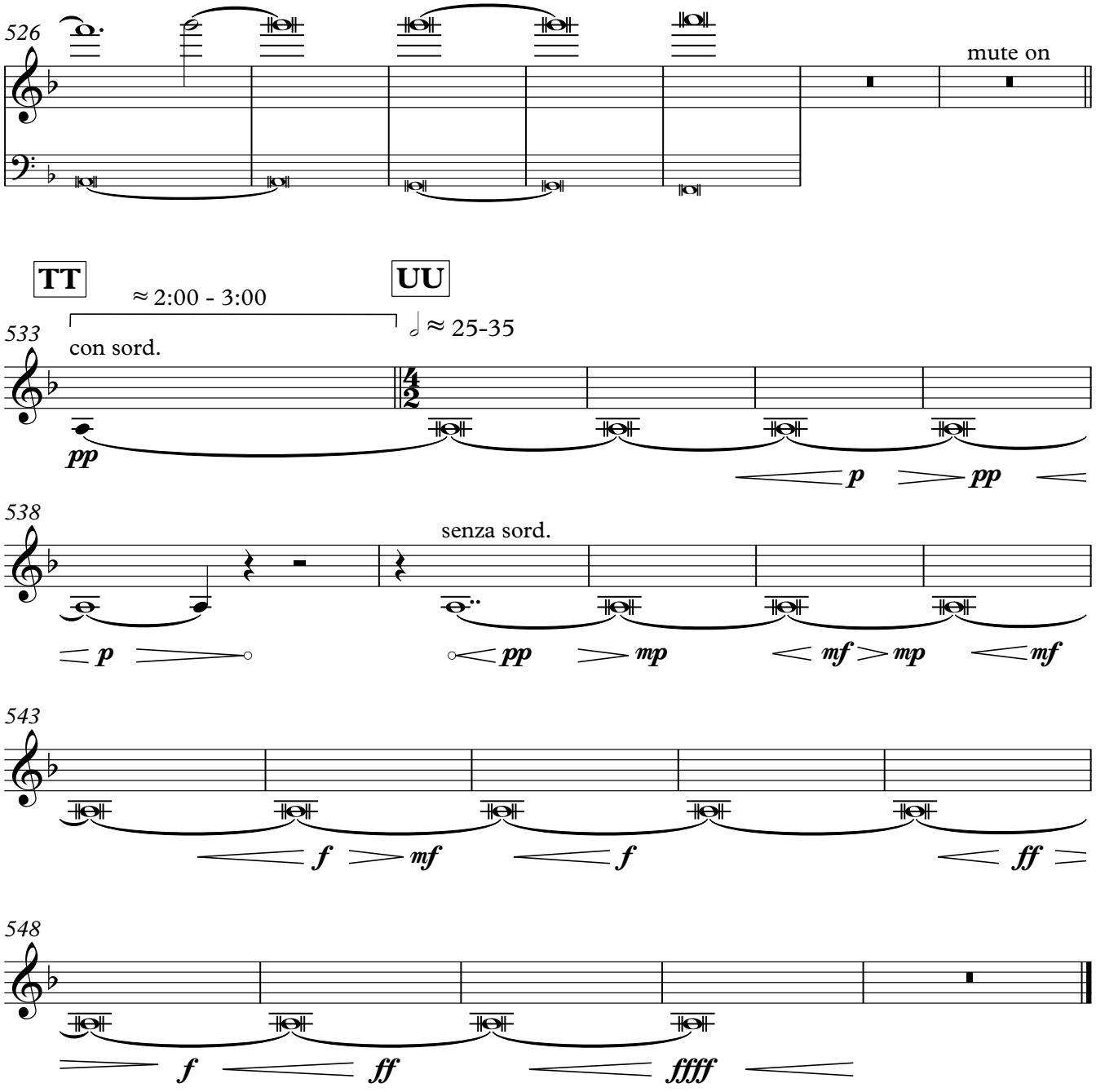
526
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TT
≈ 2:00 - 3:00
UU
♩ ≈ 25-35
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con sord.
pp
p
pp
538
senza sord.
p
pp
mp
mf
mp
mf
543
f
mf
f
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548
f
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