PIANO SOLOS

Suzanne Ciani

Dream Songs

Featuring 15 compositions from the recordings
Dream Suite, Hotel Luna, Pianissimo, *and*
The Private Music of Suzanne Ciani

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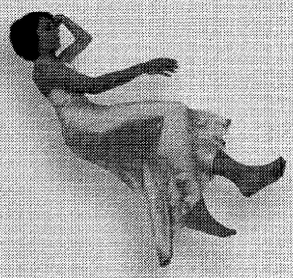


Throughout my years of immersion in musical technology, I have always returned to the immediacy, warmth, and intimacy of the piano. As a child, I would sometimes play the same Chopin piece over and over for hours on end, feeling the delicious and natural fit of my hands to the notes he wrote, each time discovering some nuance, phrasing, or inflection — a new feeling that belied the consistency of the note on the page.

Also, I had the privilege of hearing Glenn Gould play at Symphony Hall in Boston. I would attend every one of his concerts, sitting on the edge of my seat and holding my breath, so magical was the perfection and energy of his playing, the clean lines of Bach's counterpoint singing out.

Since my first book of piano compositions, ***Suzanne Ciani: New Age Piano,*** was published in 1991, I have continued my romance with the piano. I composed ***Dream Suite***, my eighth album, while living in a seaside cabin in Northern California, inspired

by my recent life experiences and the profound natural beauty around me. This book contains my piano solo arrangements of seven of those songs, originally recorded with the Young Russia Orchestra. There are also two songs from ***Pianissimo,*** five pieces from ***Hotel Luna*** (one of my Grammy-nominated albums), and one of the compositions from ***The Private Music of Suzanne Ciani.***

Since the publication of my first book, I have enjoyed hearing the way others play my songs. There is no single way to play them; the notes are just the beginning; you bring your own passions and sensitivities and techniques to bring the music to new life. I wish you all the best and greatest happiness in your interactions with my musical thoughts and feelings.

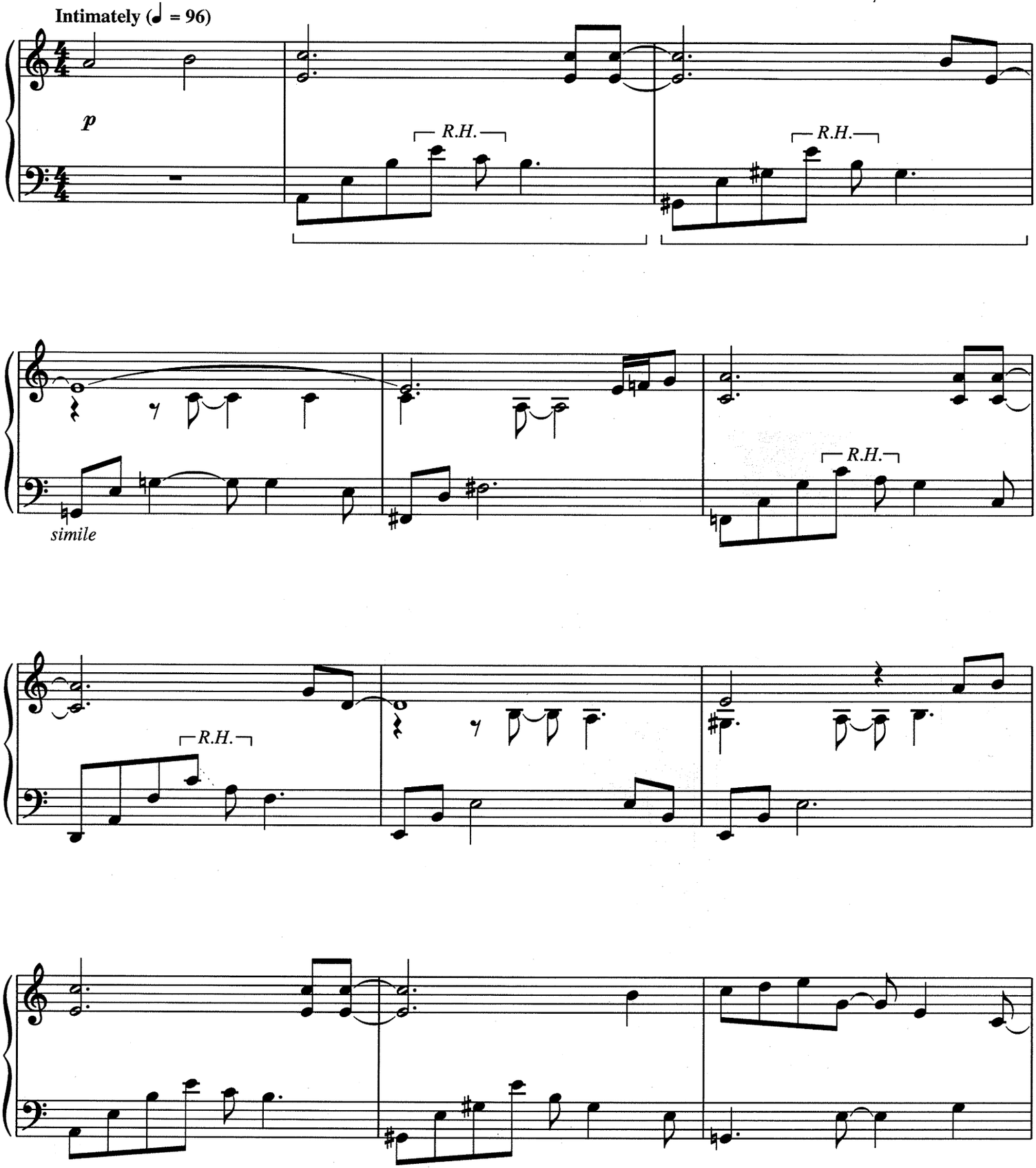
Sweet Dreams,

Suzanne Ciani

ANDALUSIAN DREAM

for Ignacio Cuadrado Zuloaga
A Spanish love story told by a winter's fire

By SUZANNE CIANI



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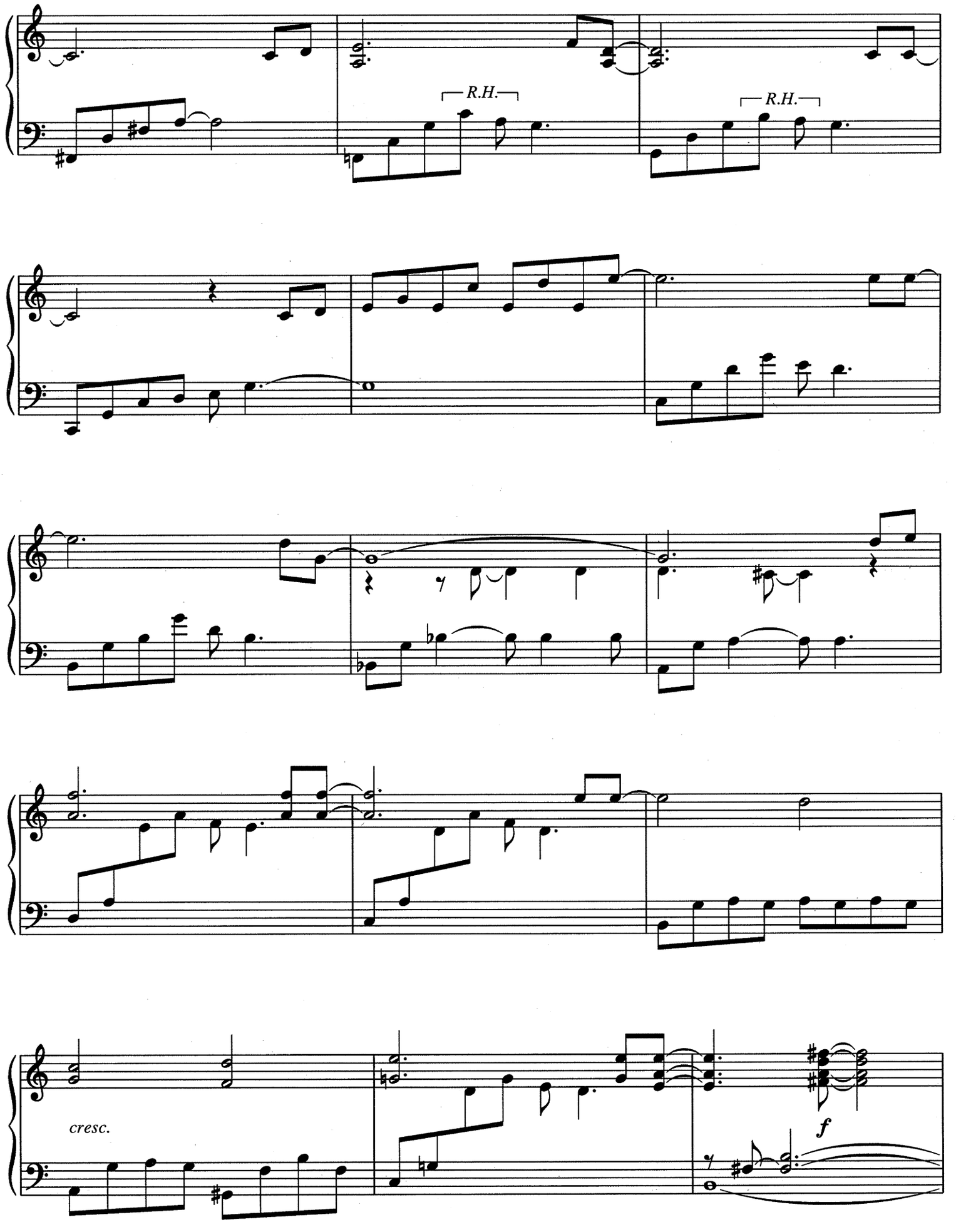
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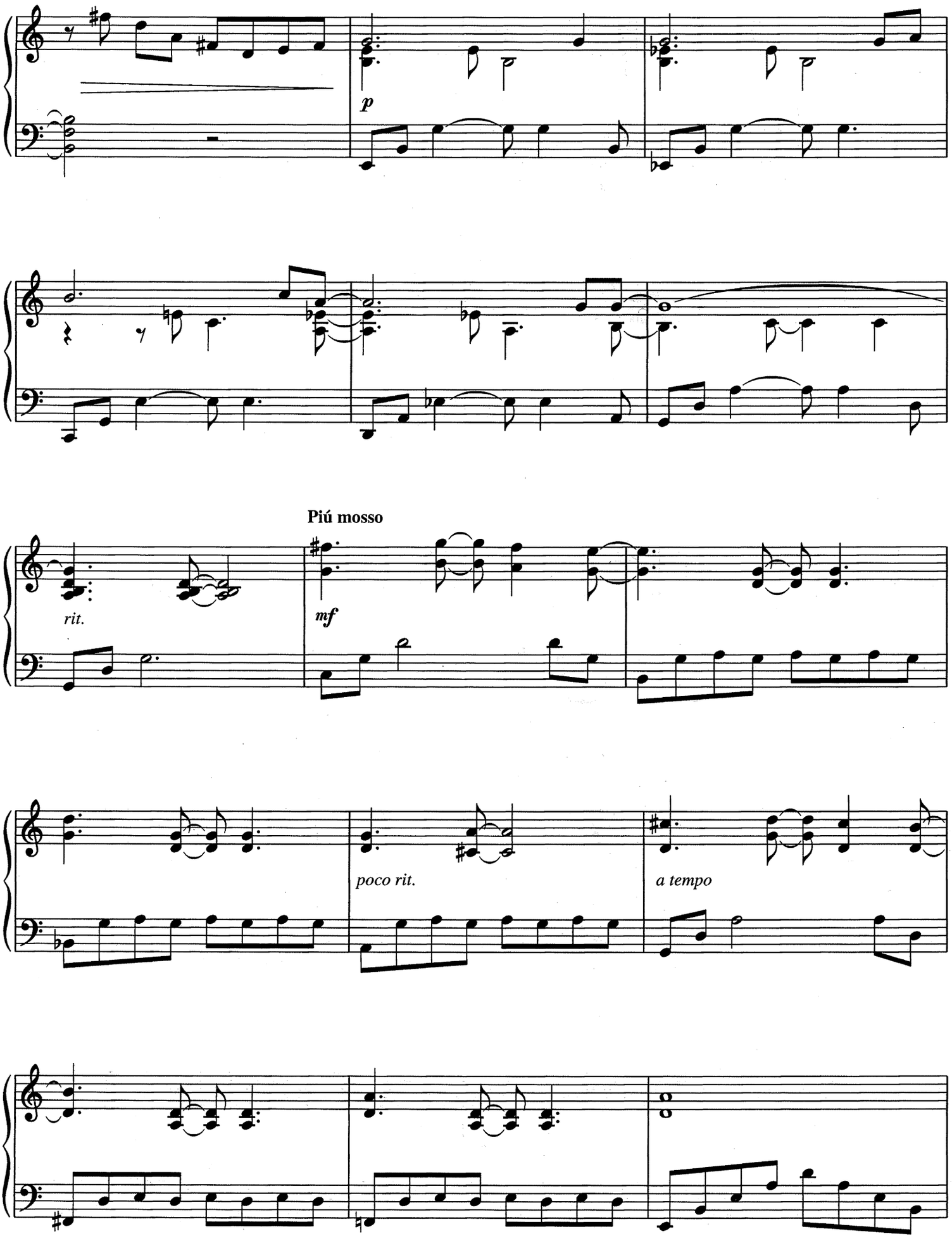
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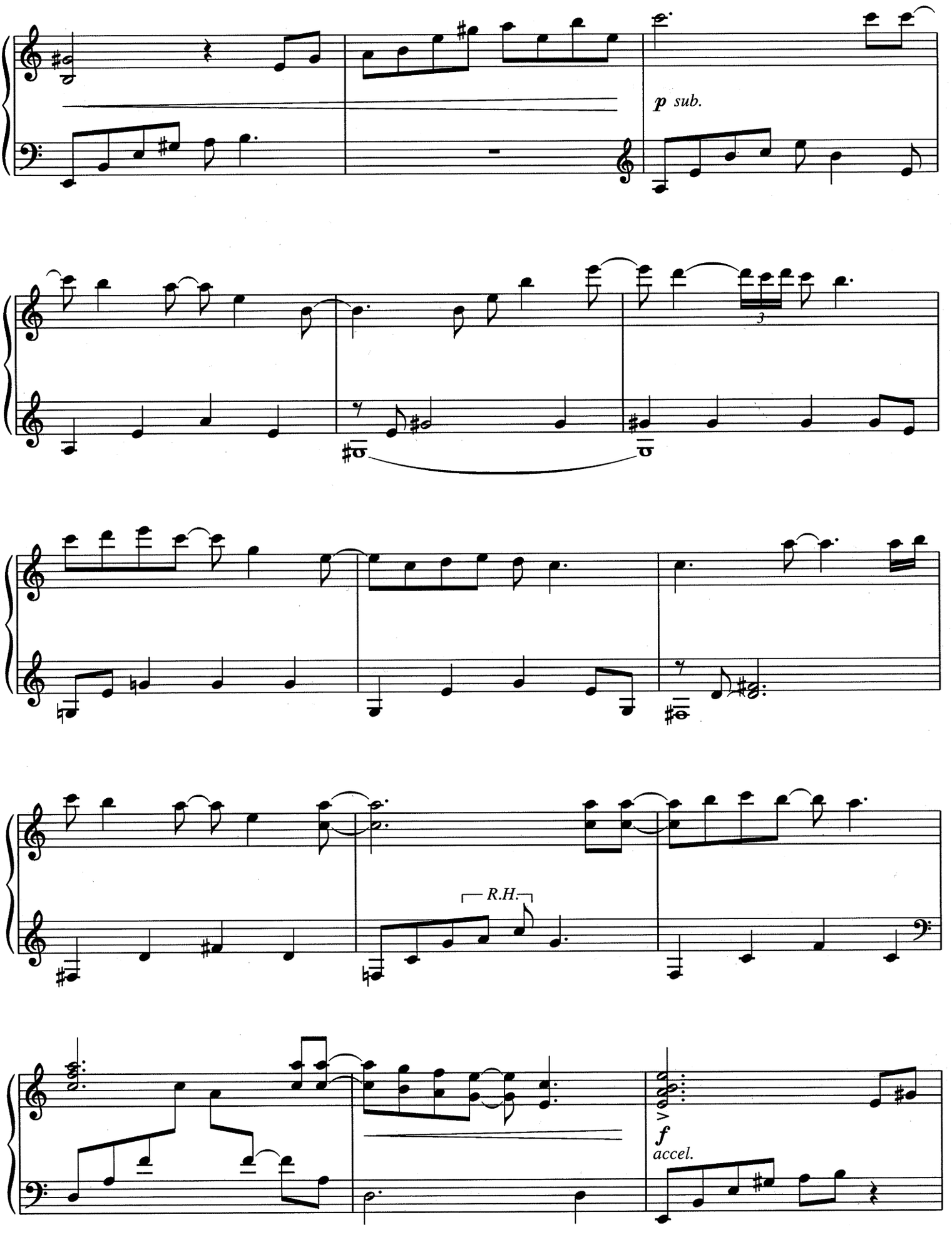
poco rit.
a tempo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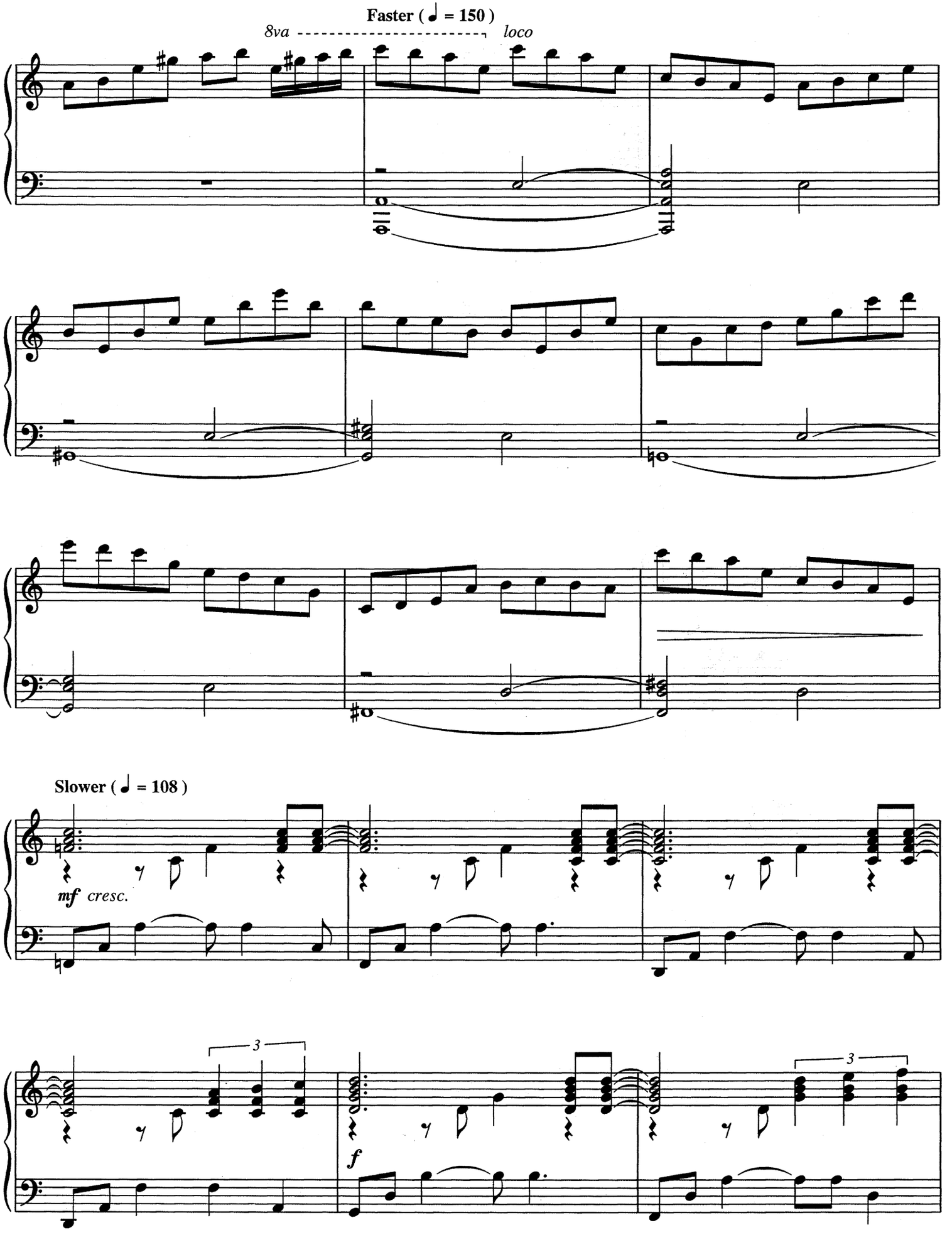
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Slower (♩ = 108)
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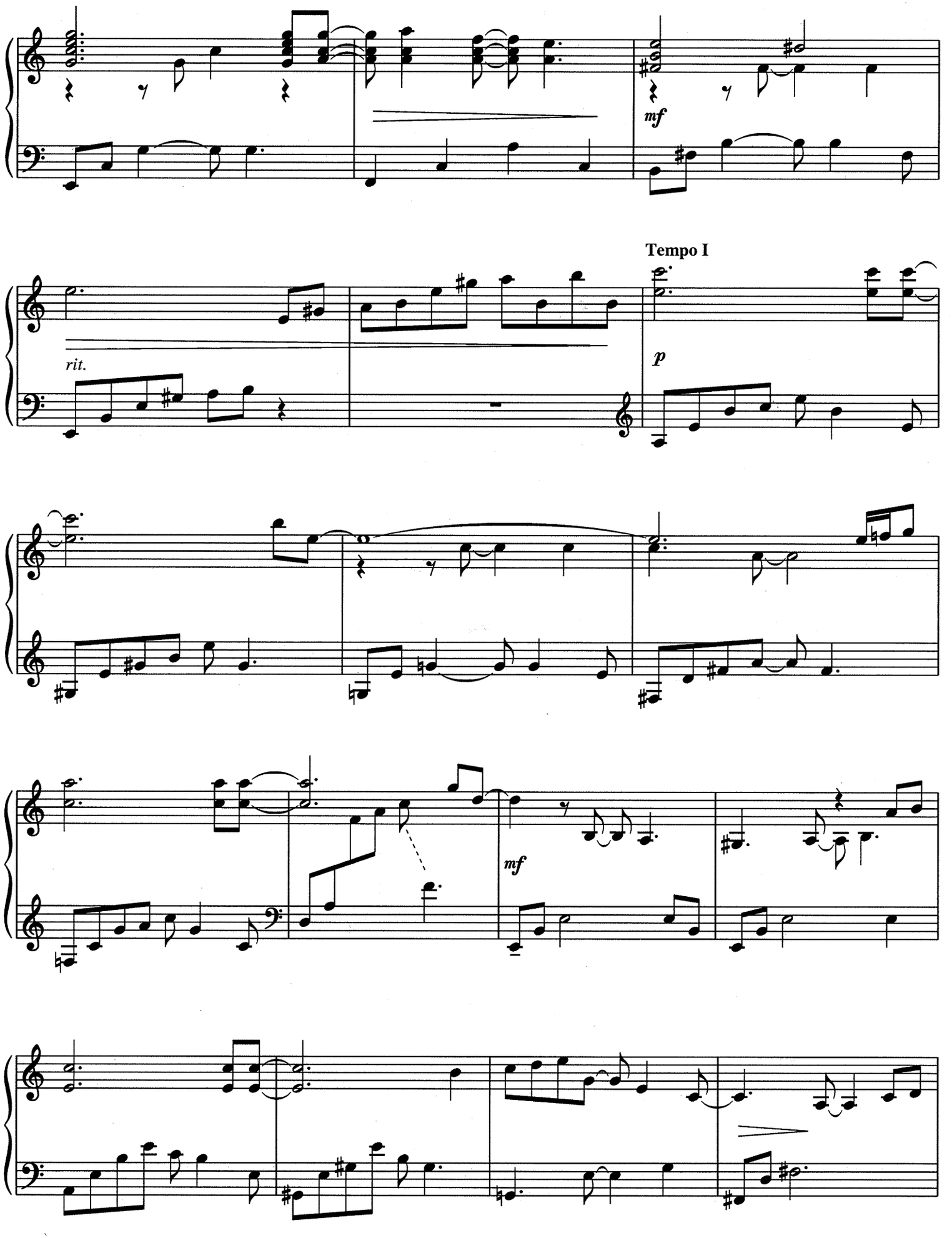
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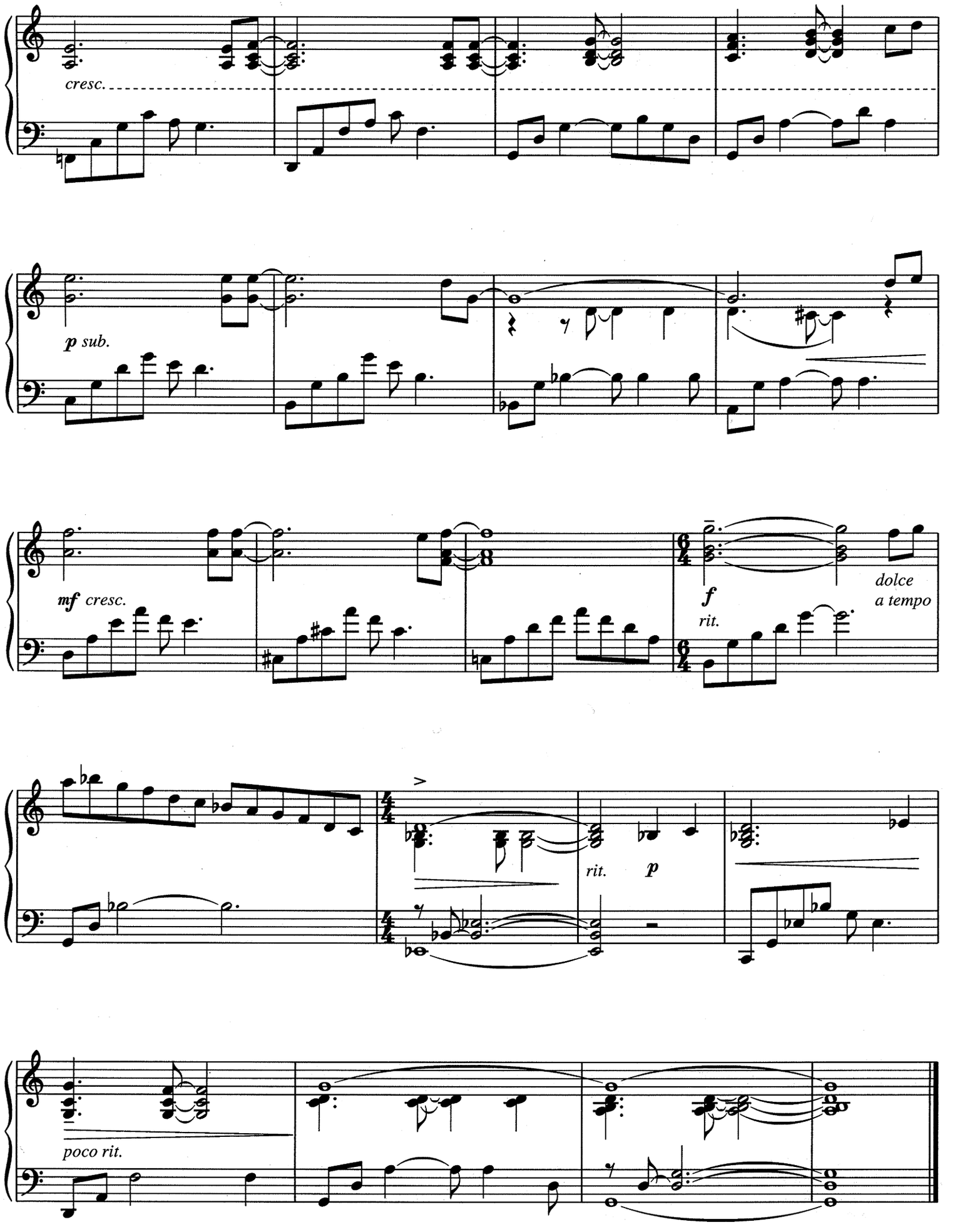
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a tempo
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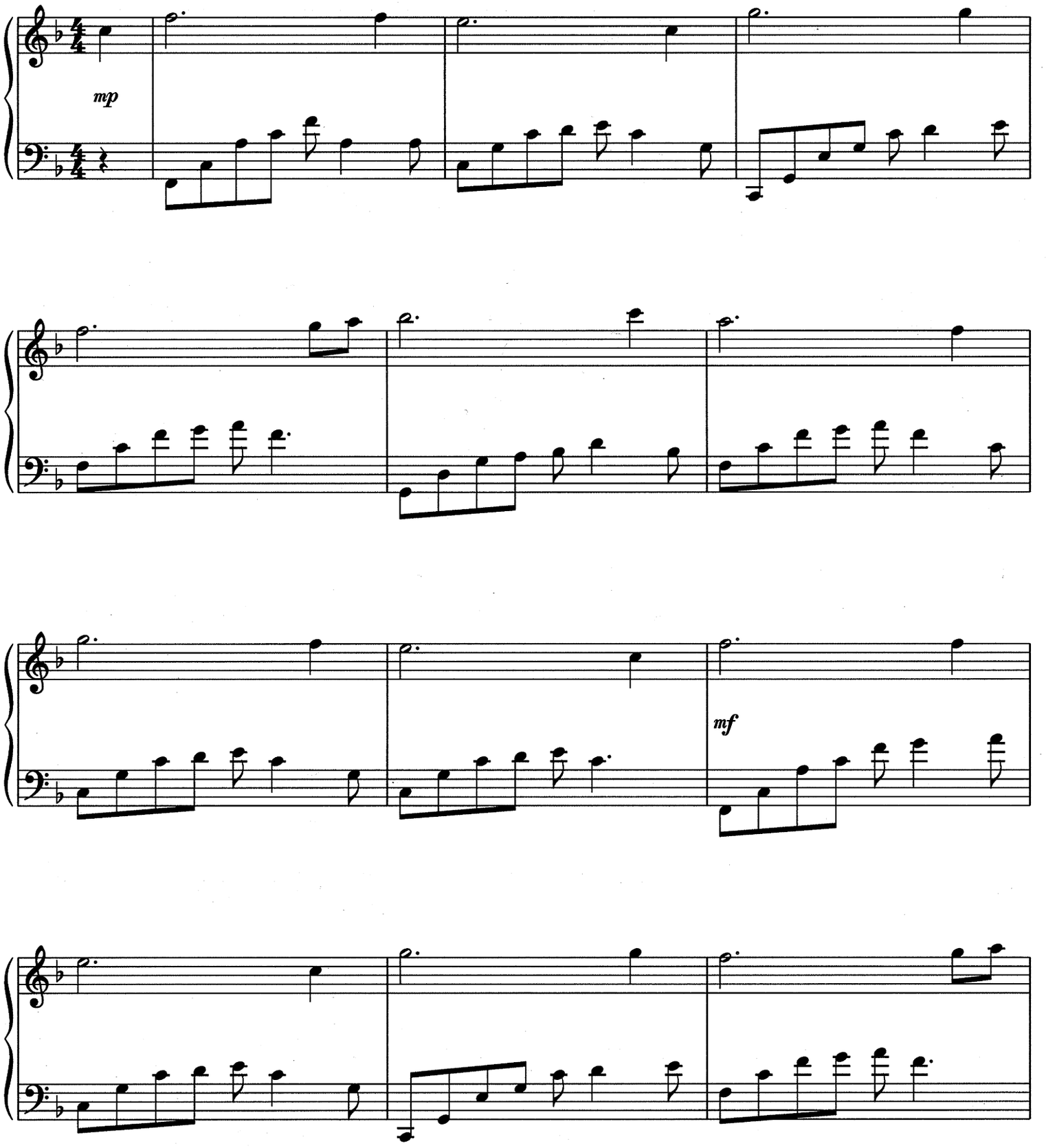
BEL CANTO

A lullabye

By SUZANNE CIANI

Gently (♩ = 80)



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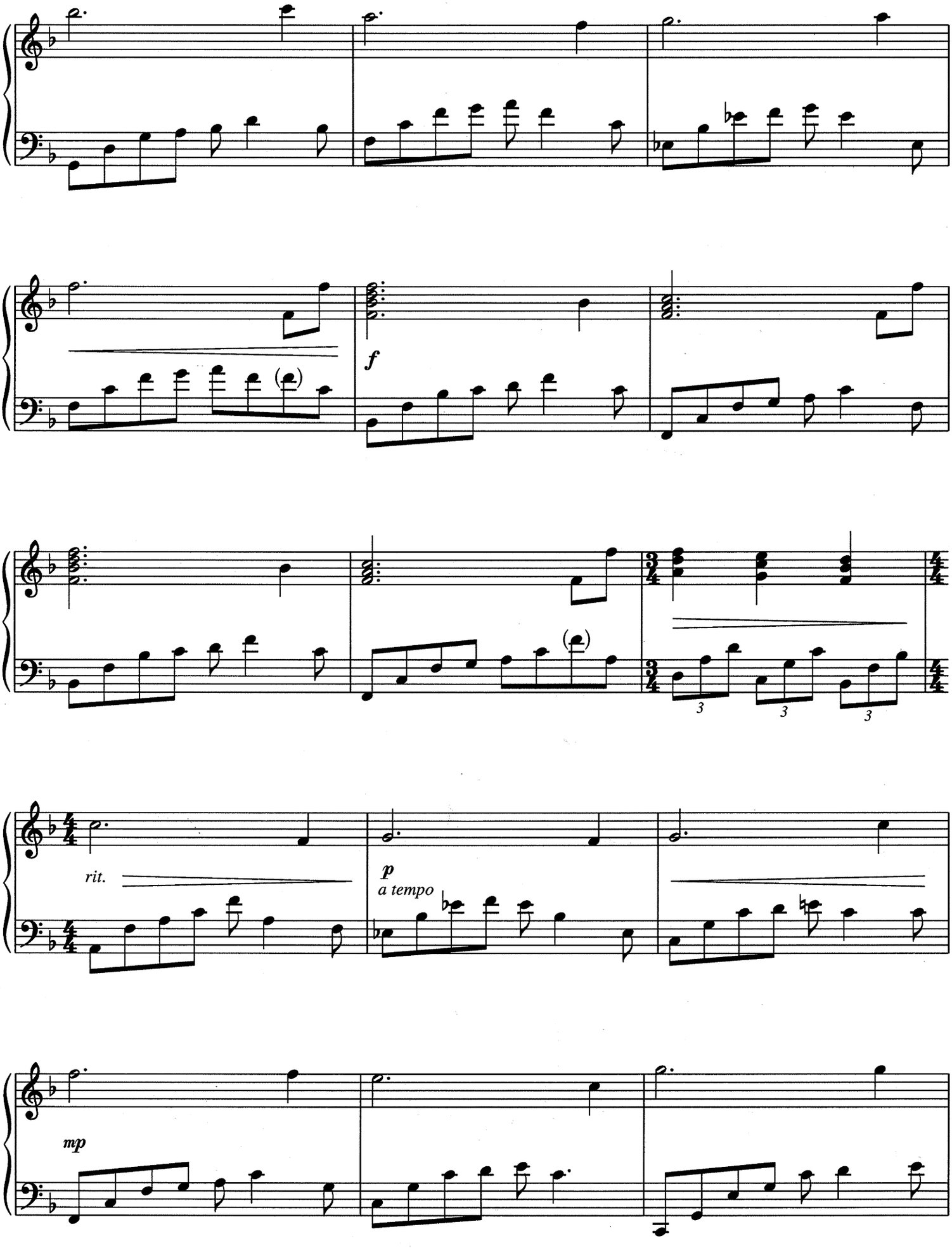
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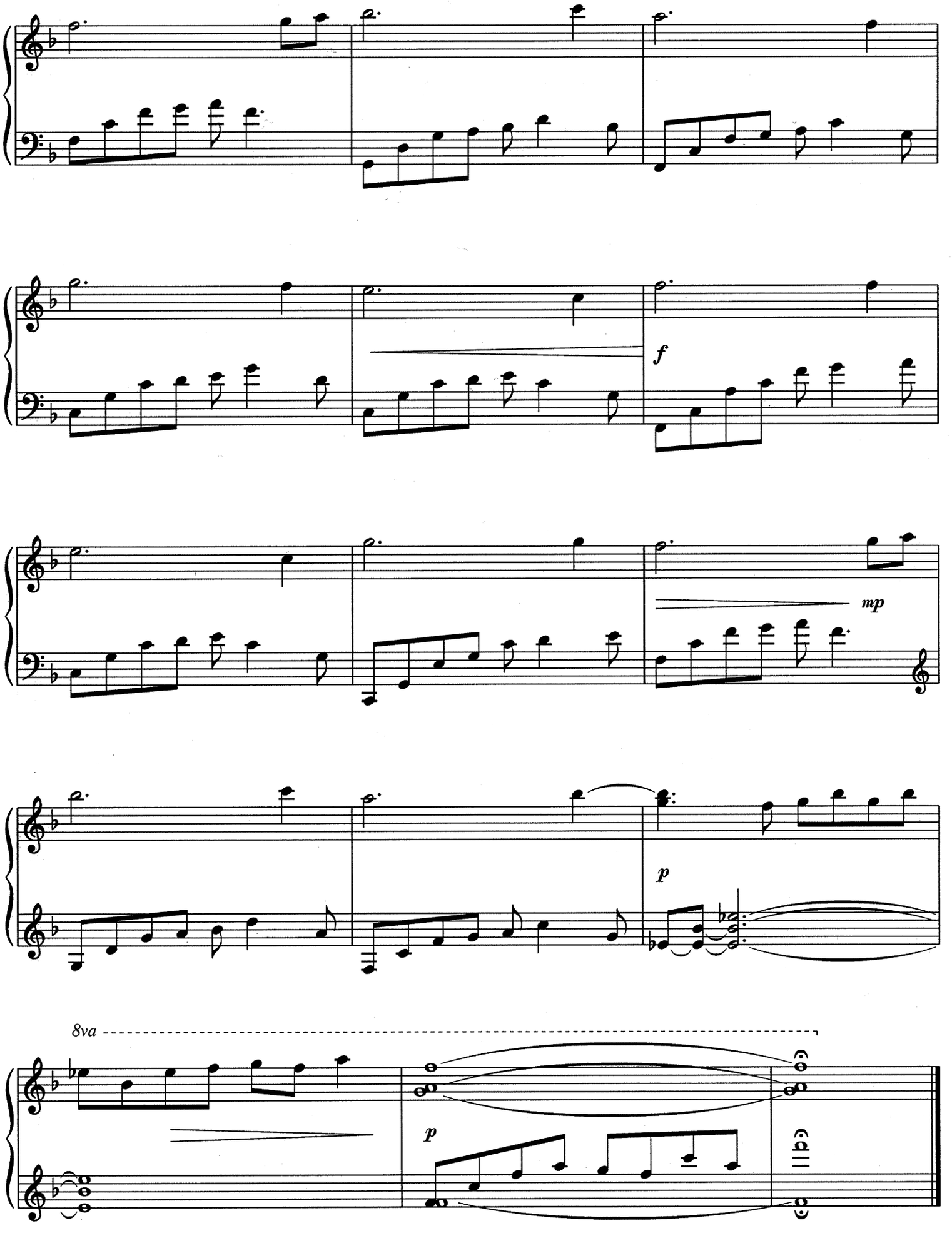
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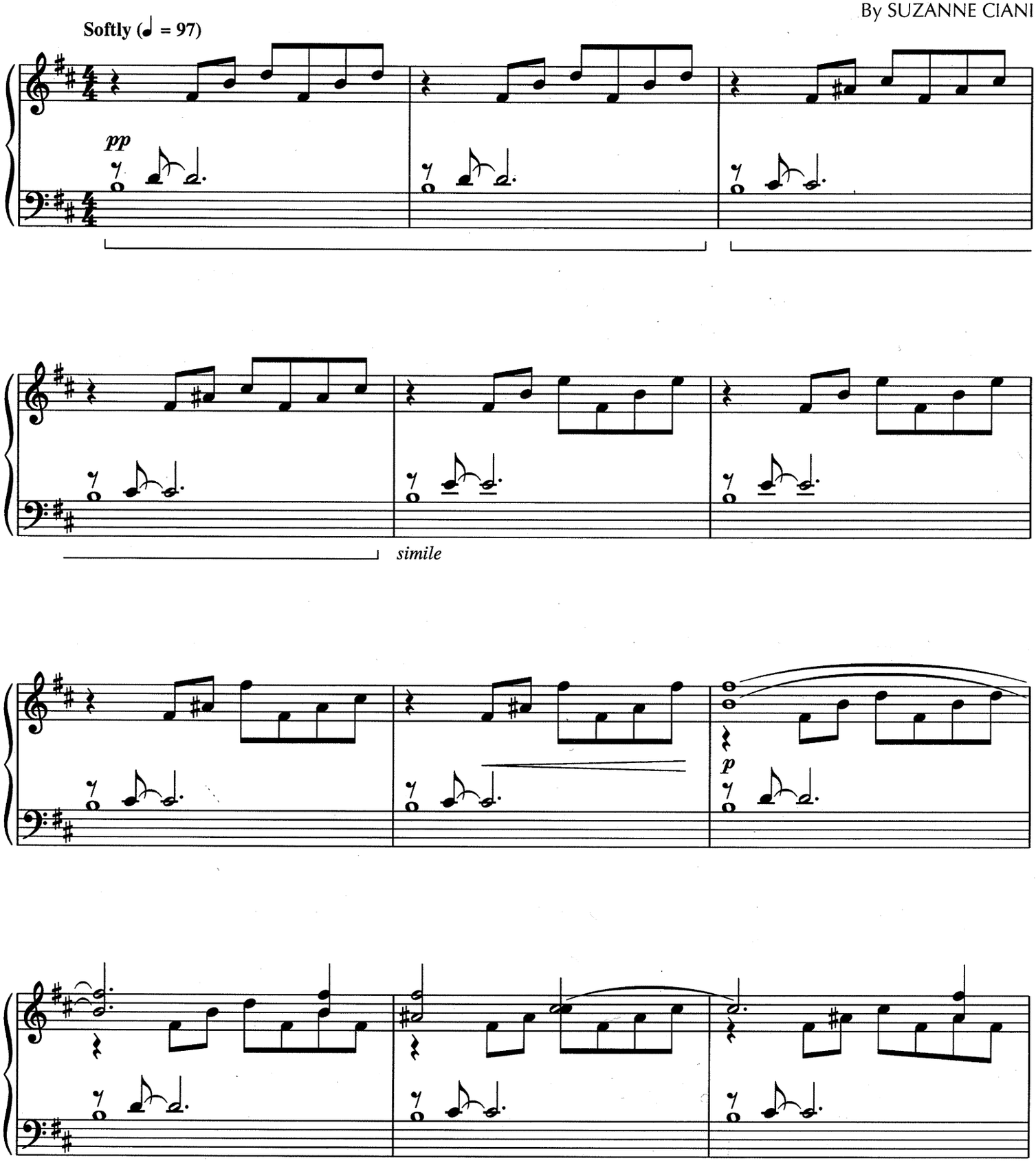
FULL MOON SONATA

... pulled into dreaming by the magnetic moonlight

By SUZANNE CIANI



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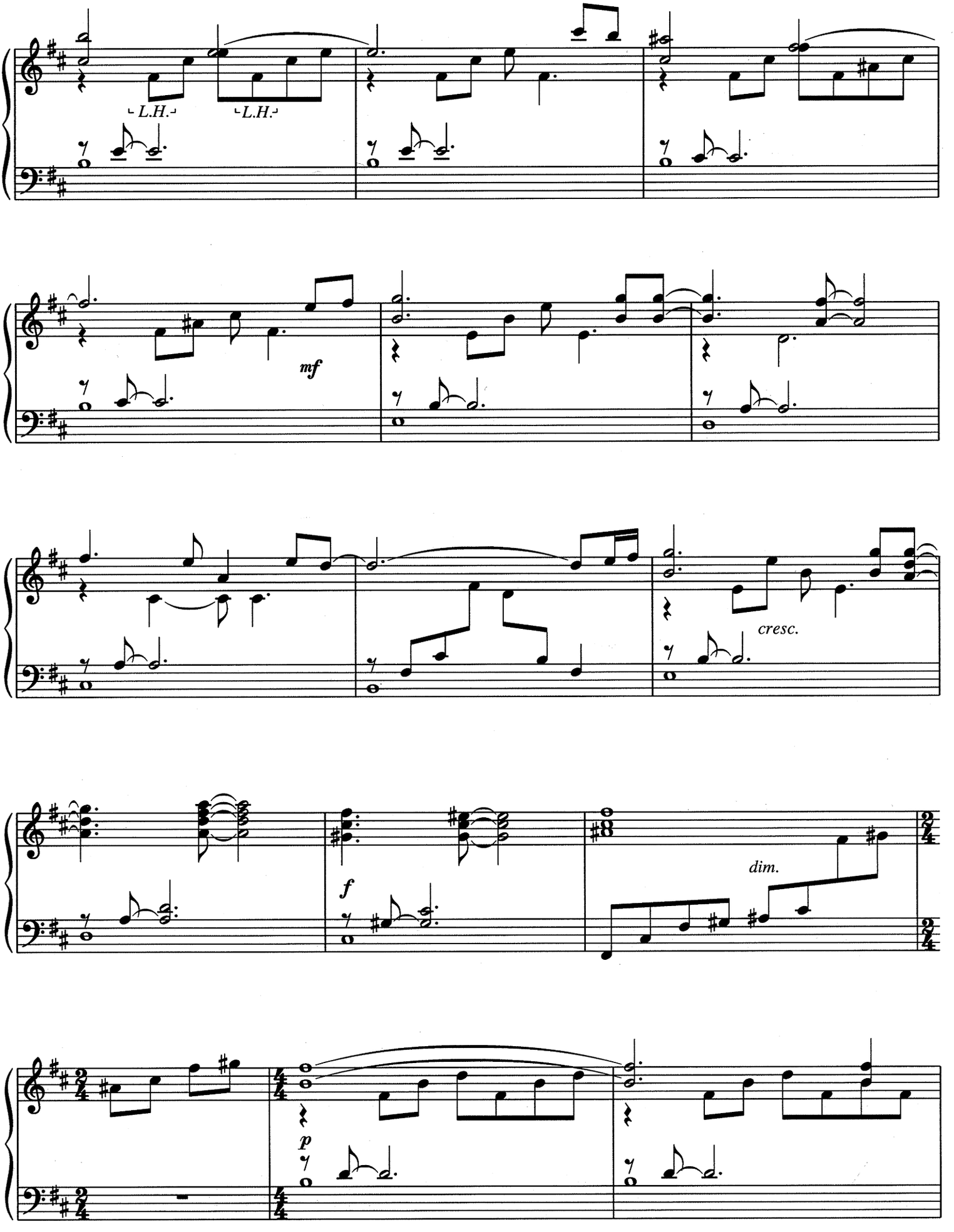
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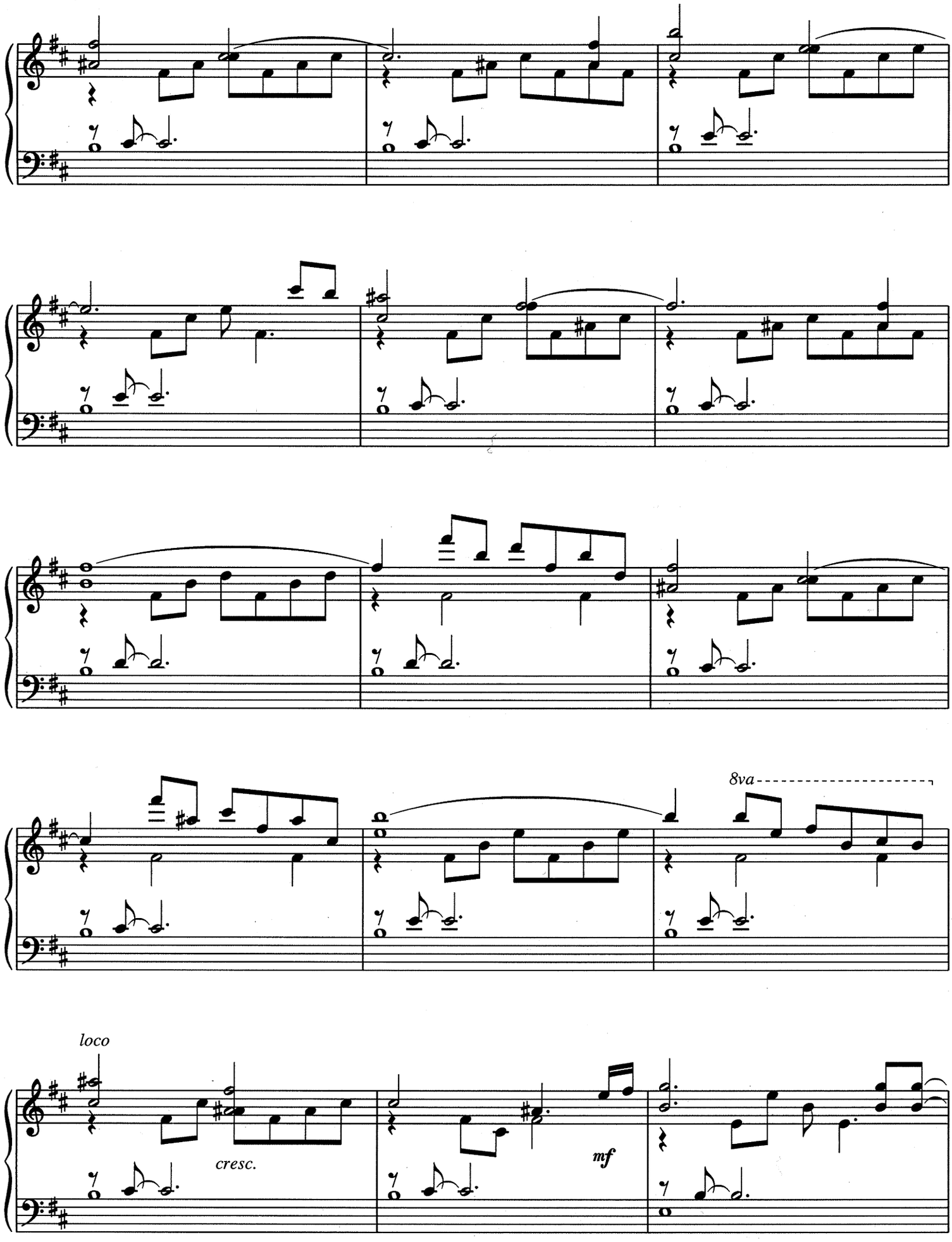
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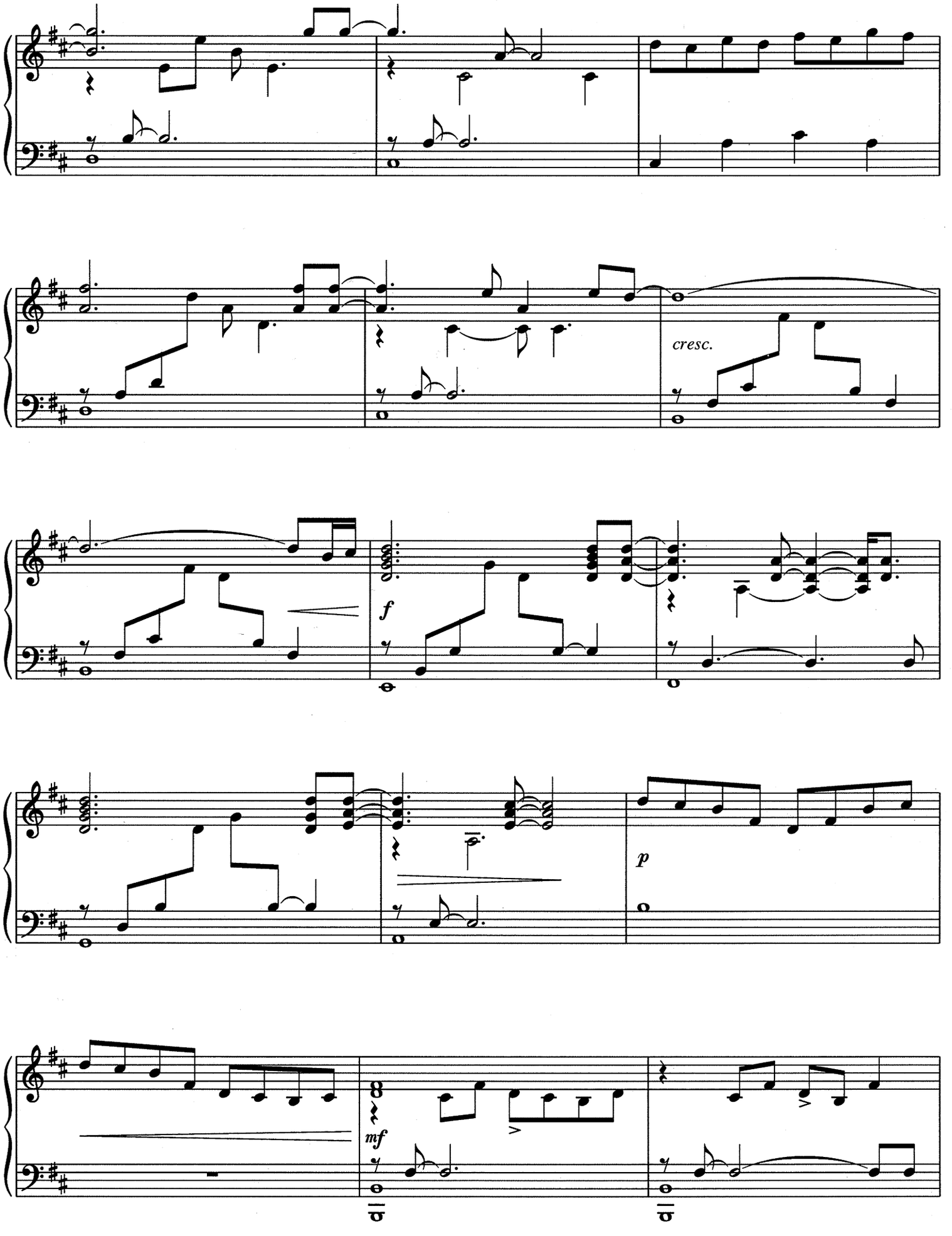
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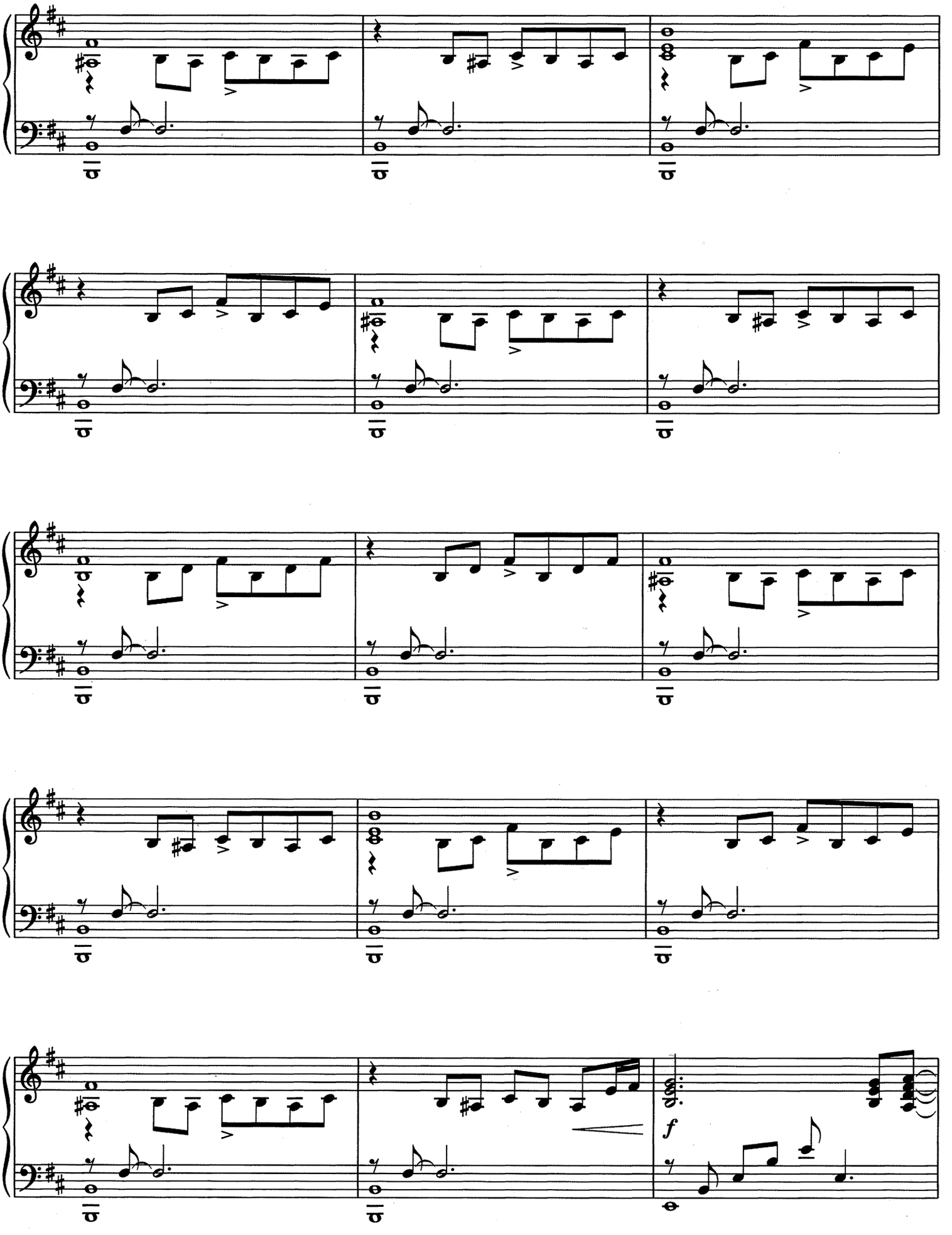
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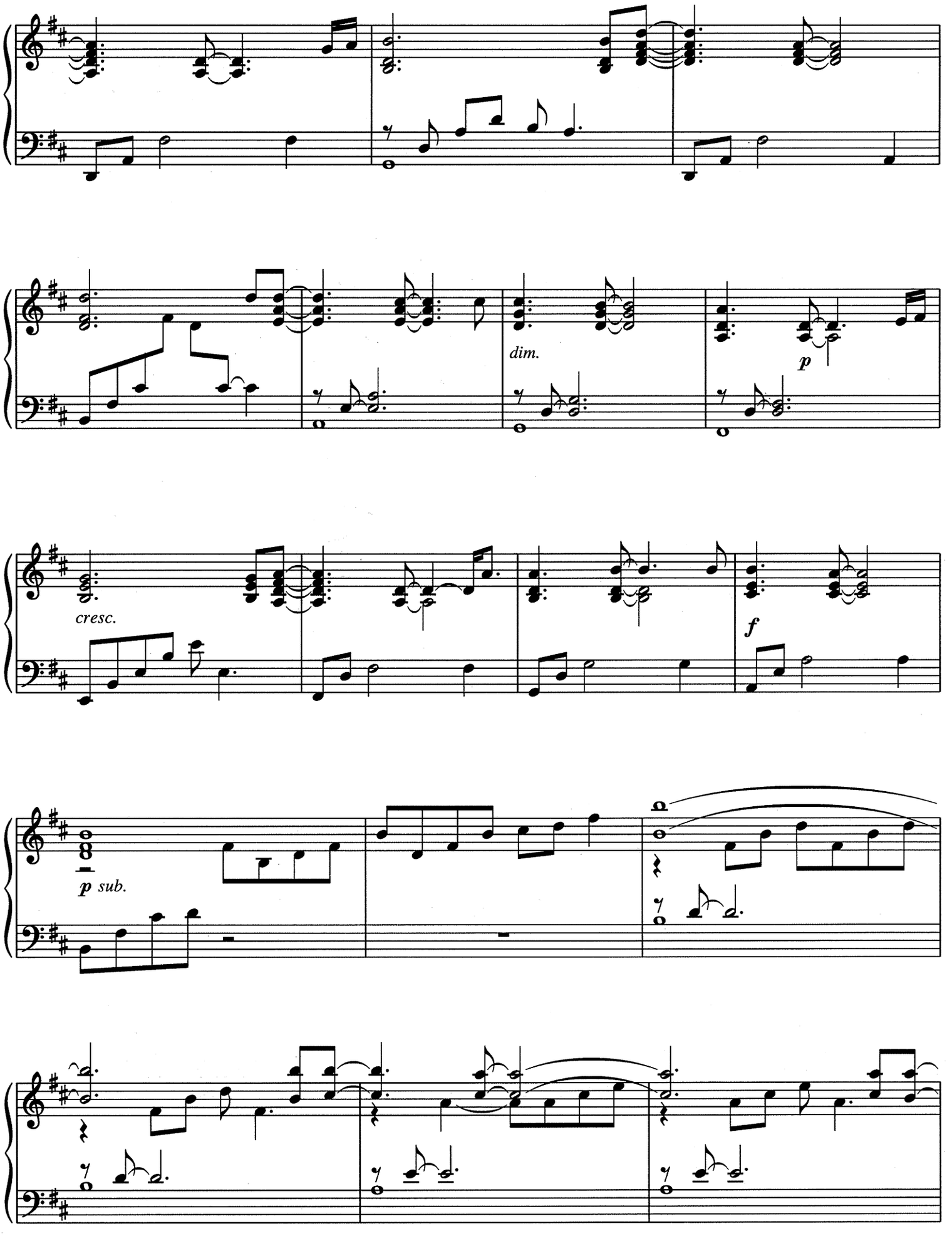
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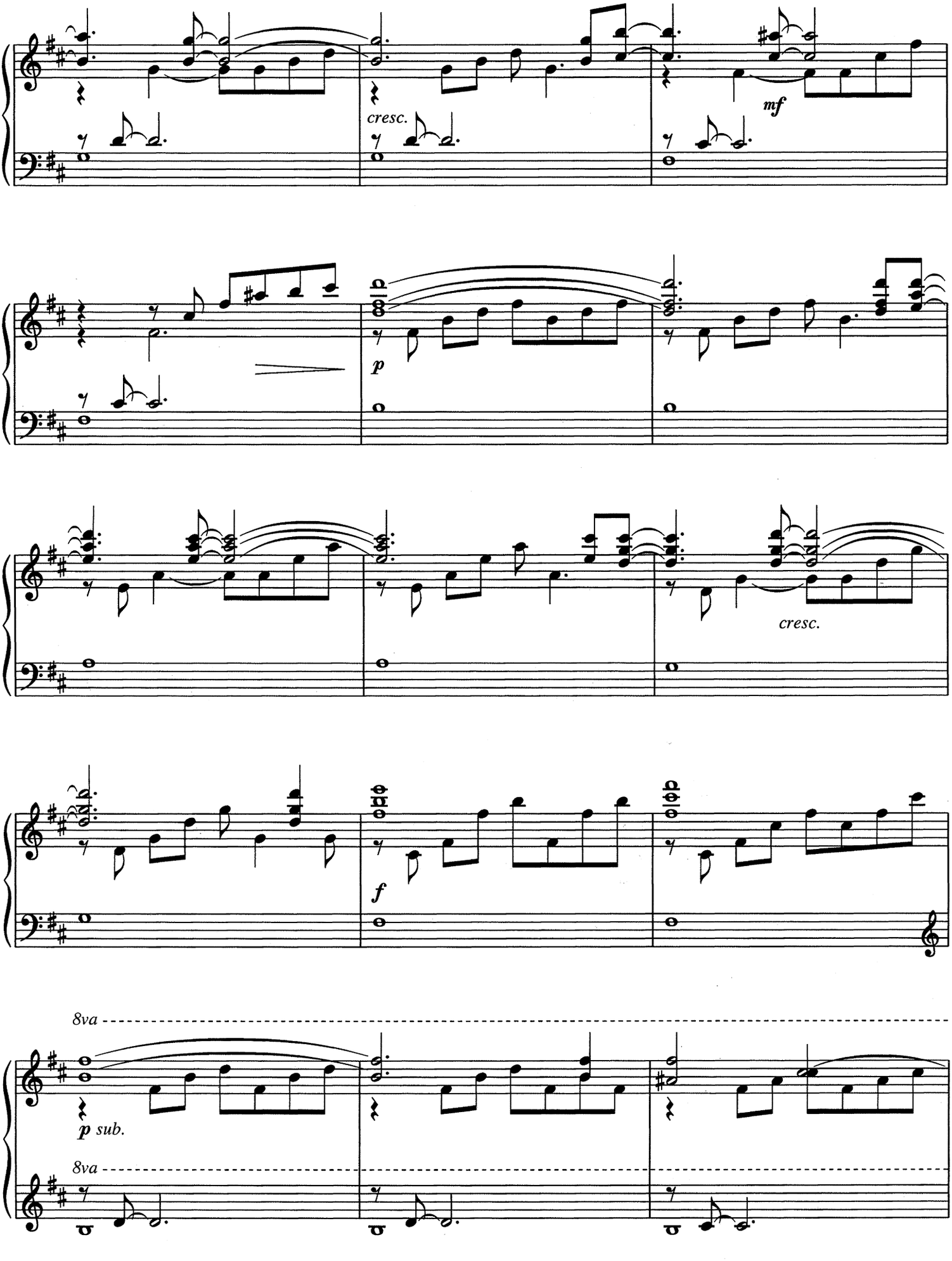
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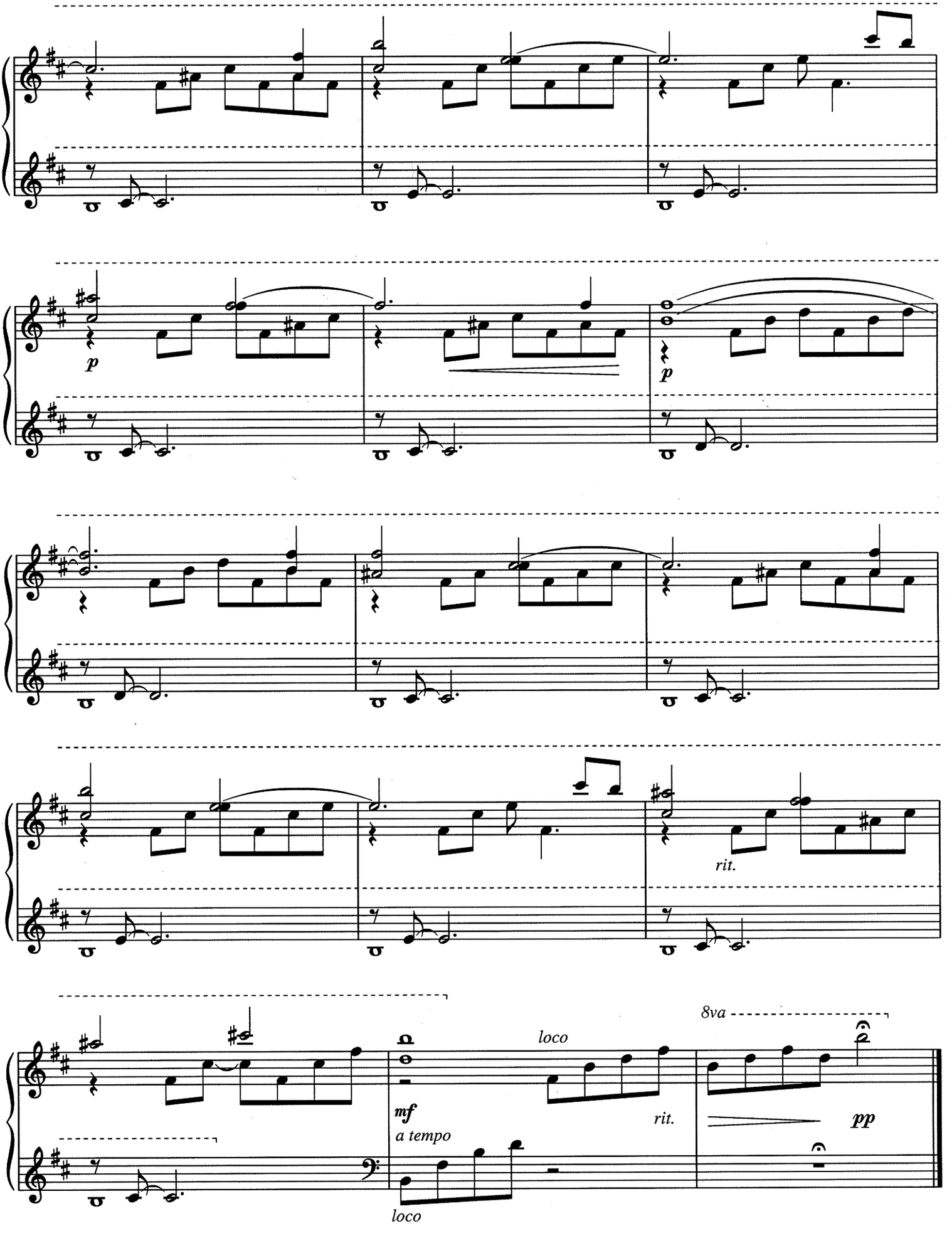
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p
rit.
loco
mf
a tempo
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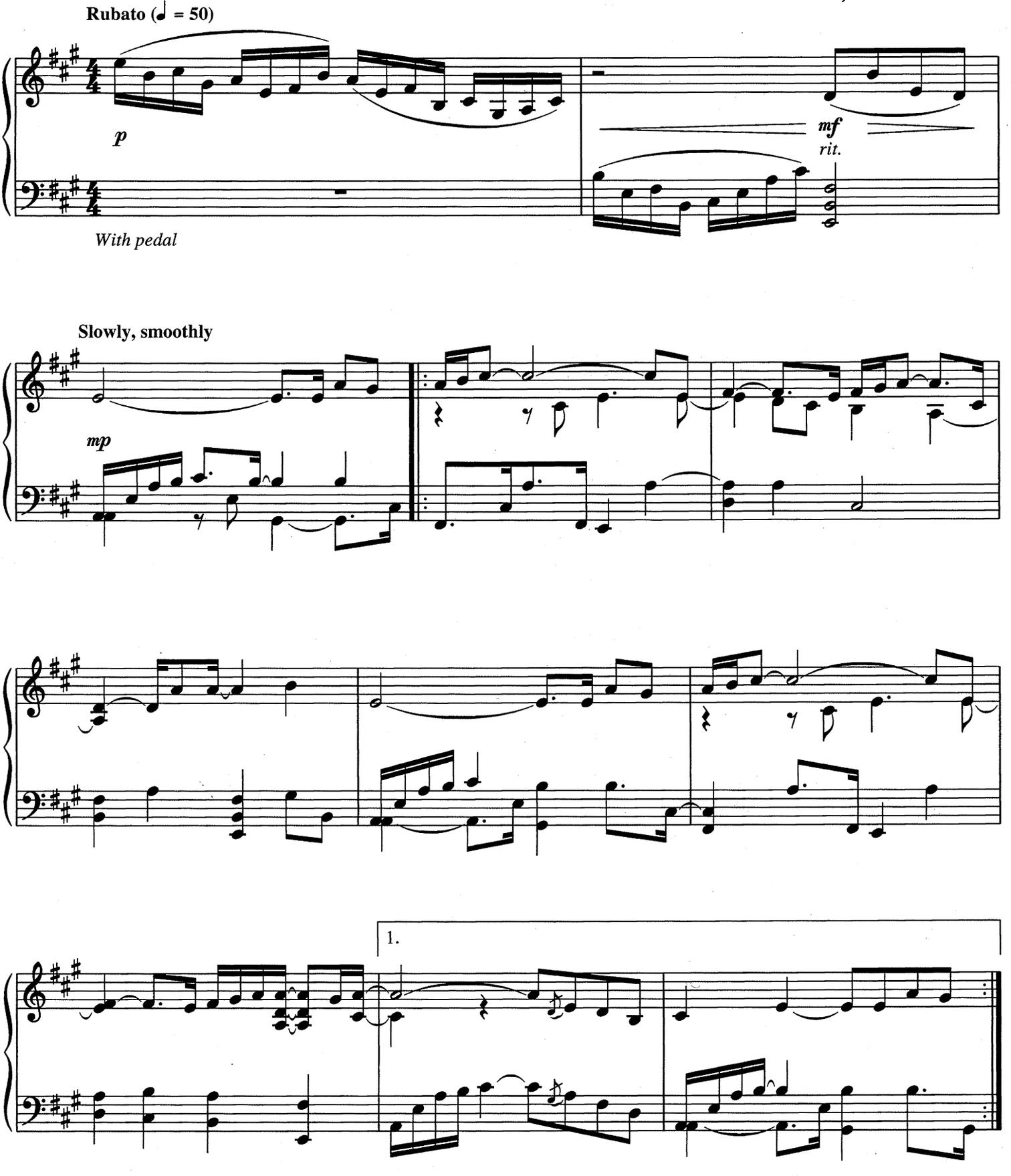
GO GENTLY

For my father, Dr. A. Walter Ciani

By SUZANNE CIANI
and JEREMY LUBBOCK



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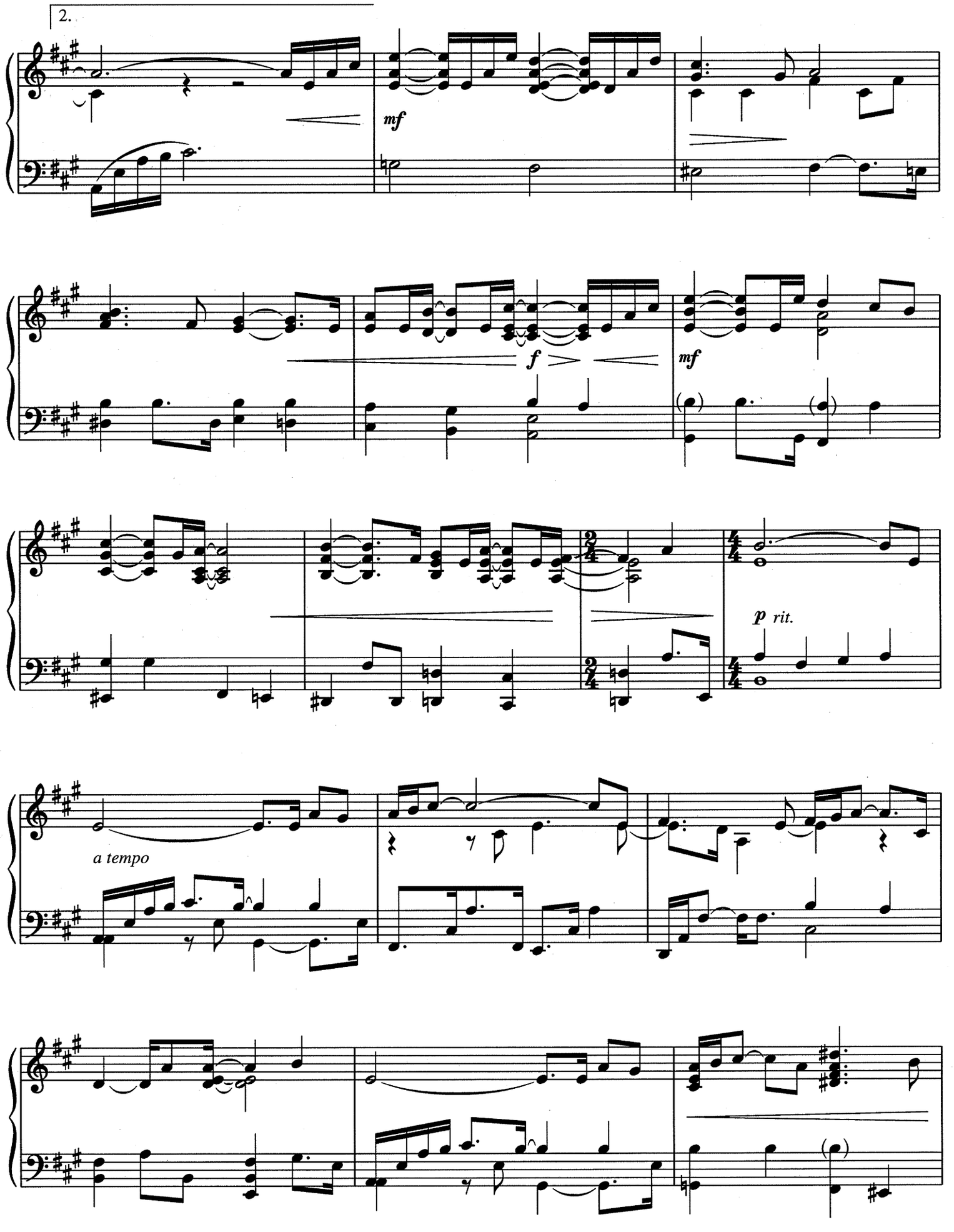
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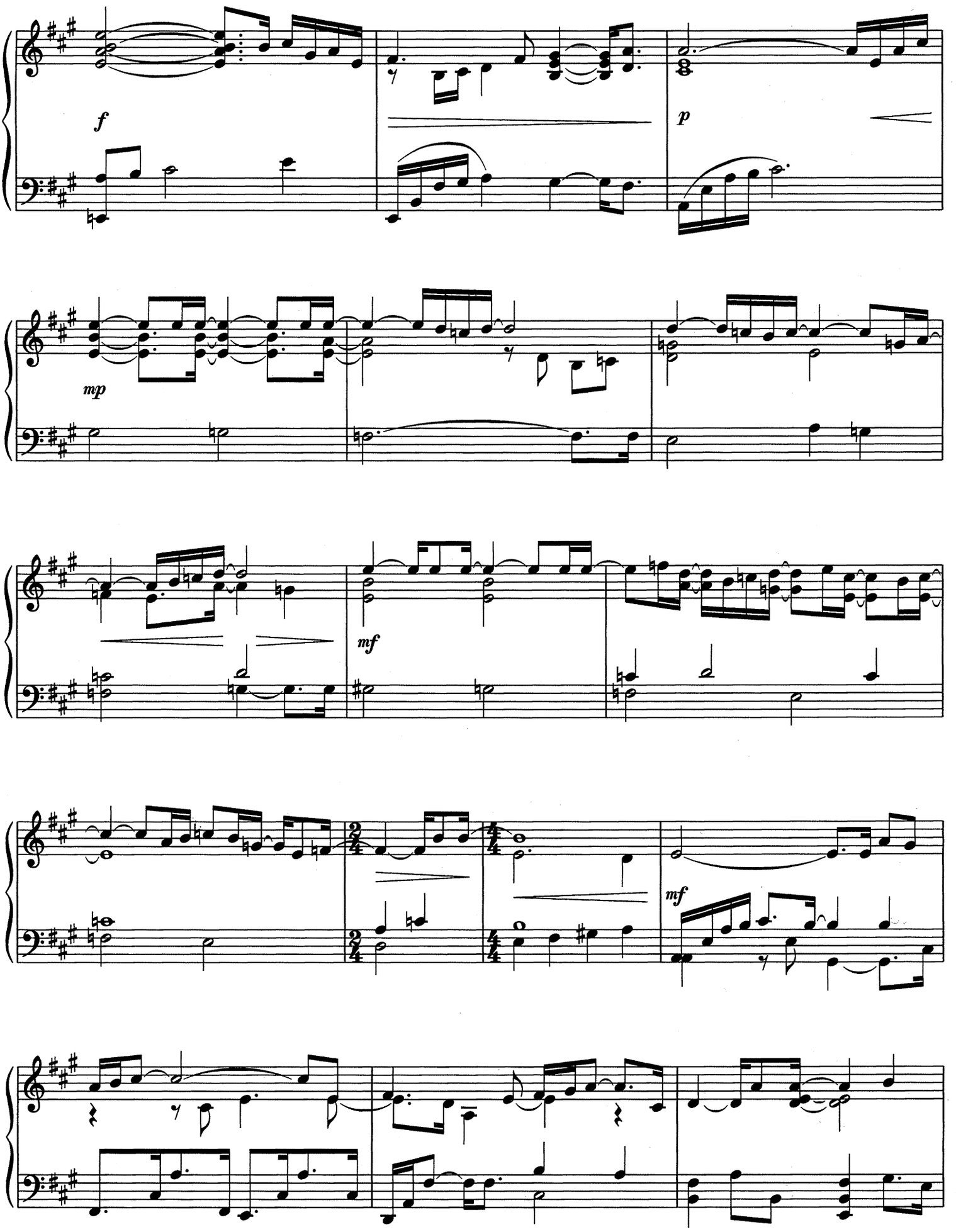
p rit.
a tempo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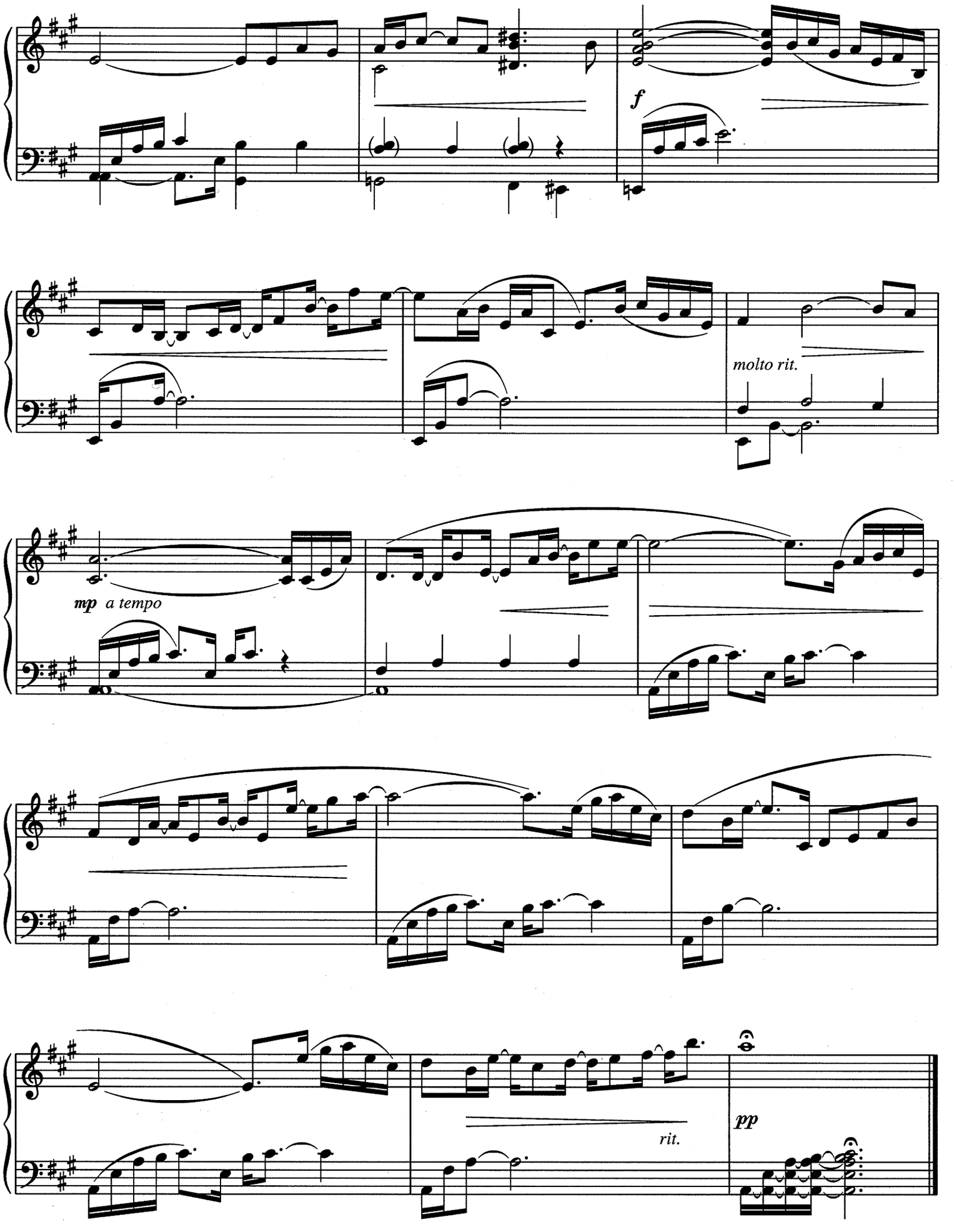
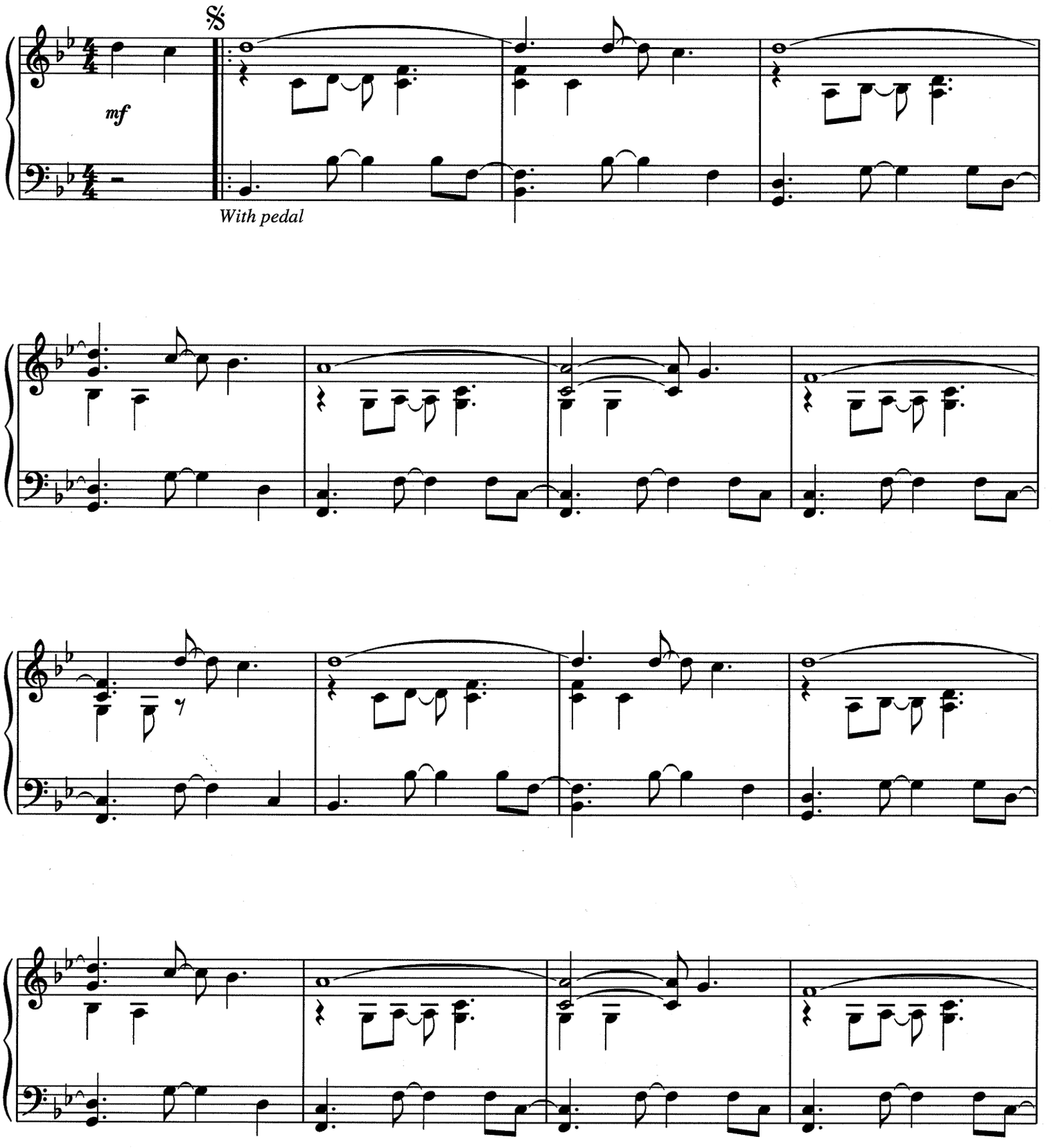

f
molto rit.
mp a tempo
rit.
pp

HOTEL LUNA

Dancing on the terrace under the stars in the full moonlight

Rhythmically (♩ = 150)

By SUZANNE CIANI



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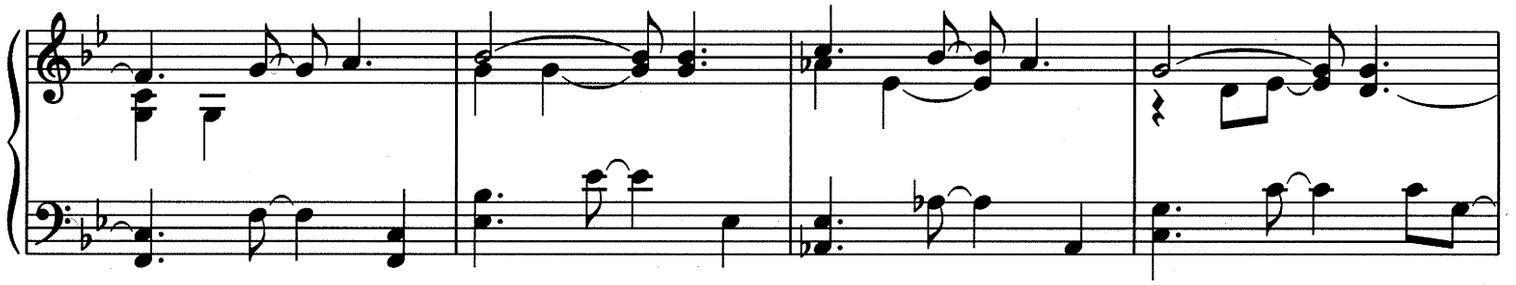

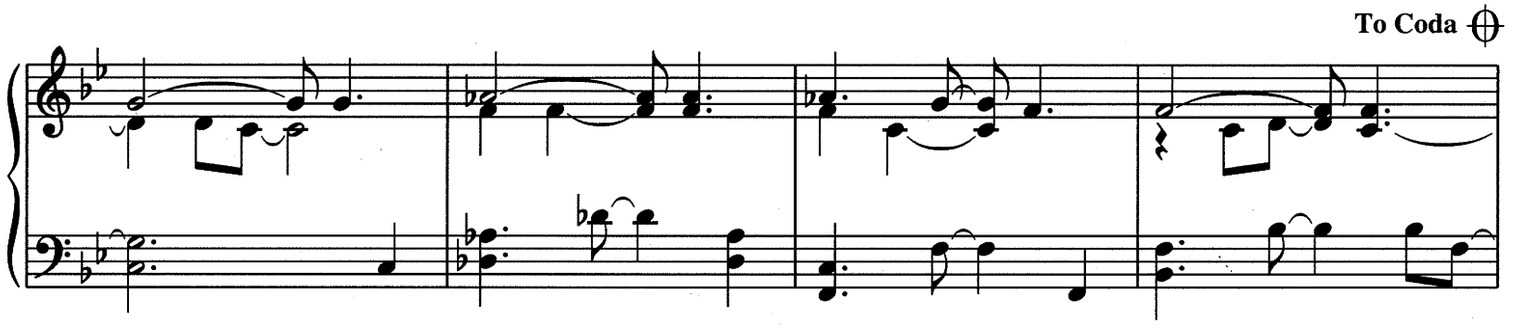
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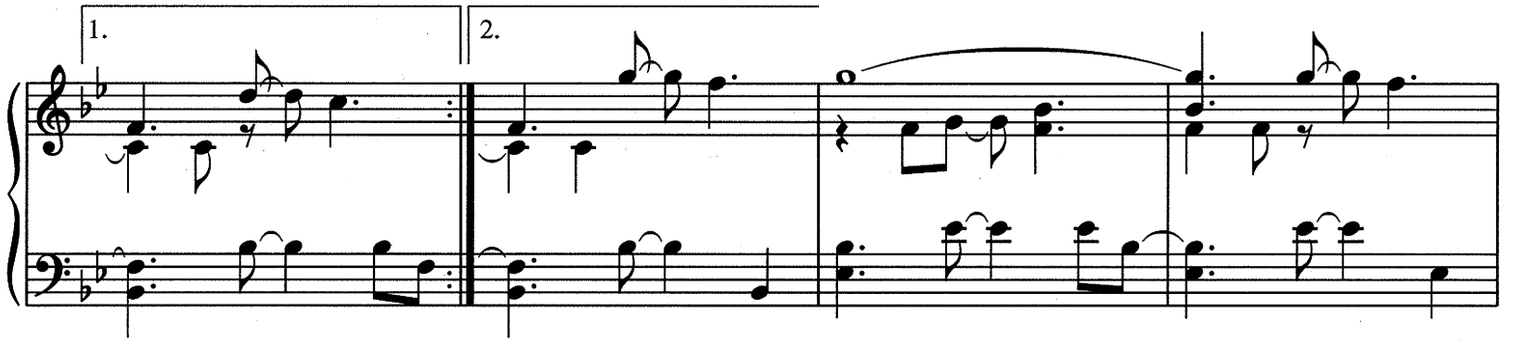
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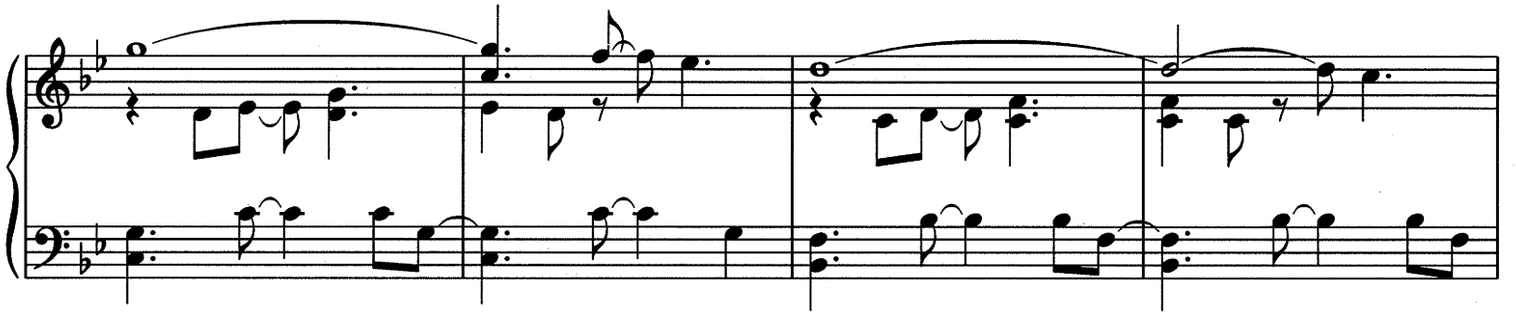

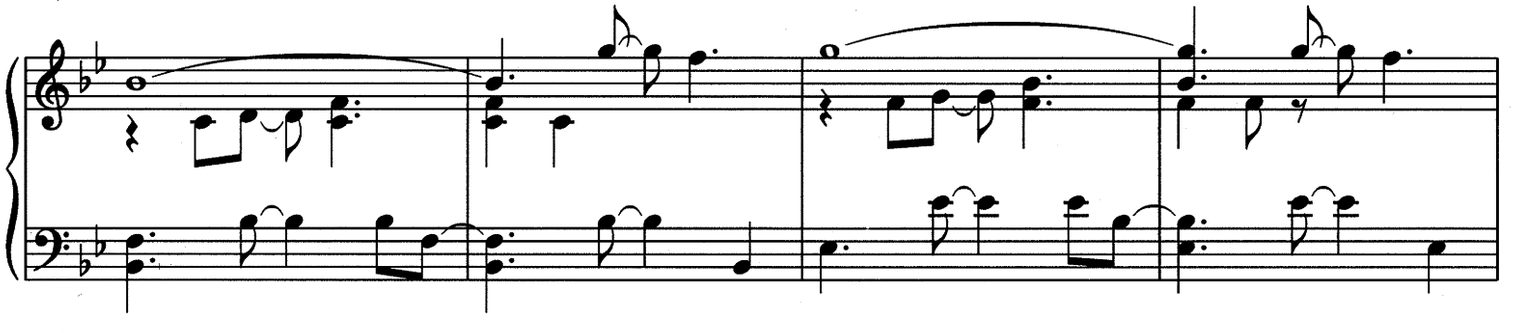

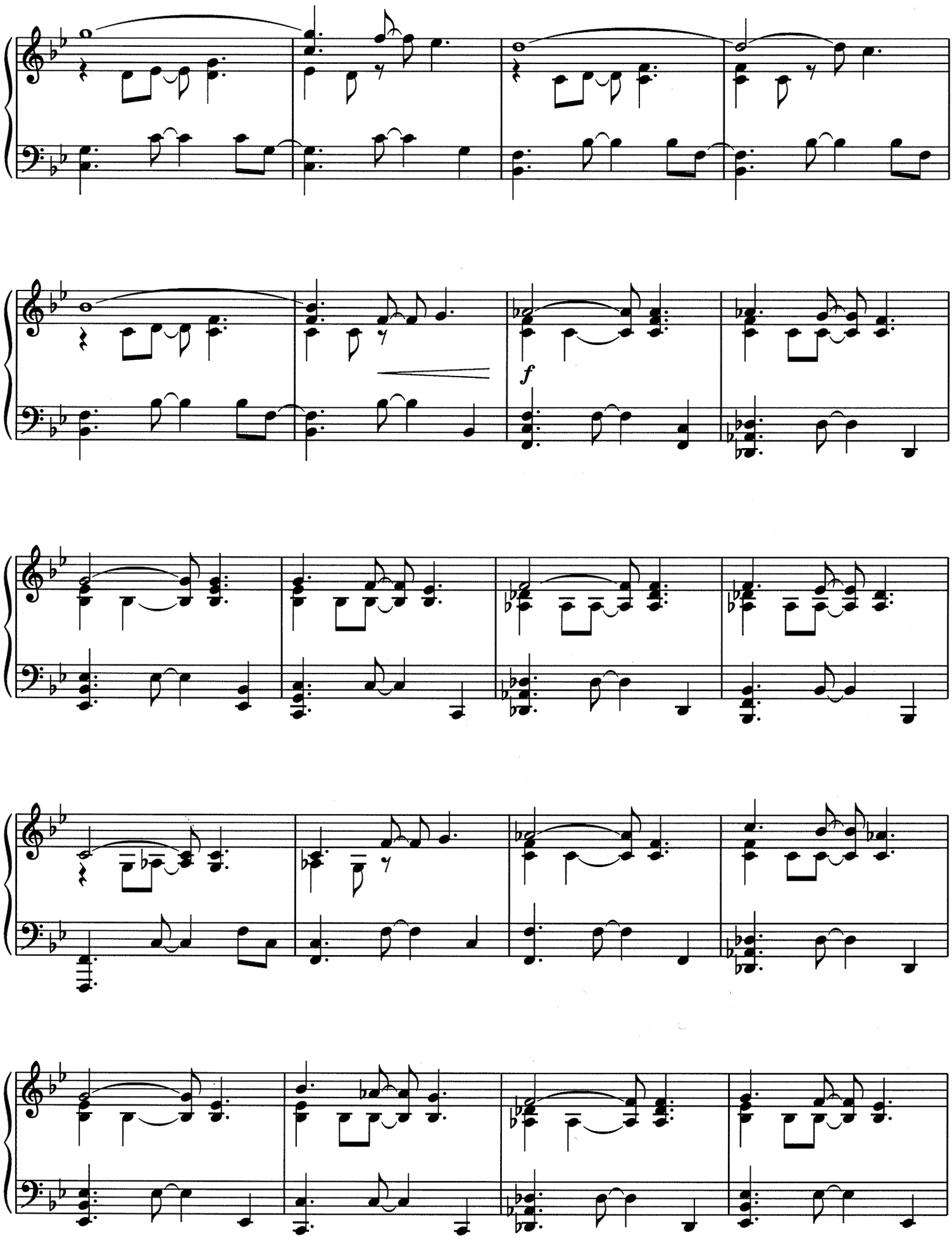
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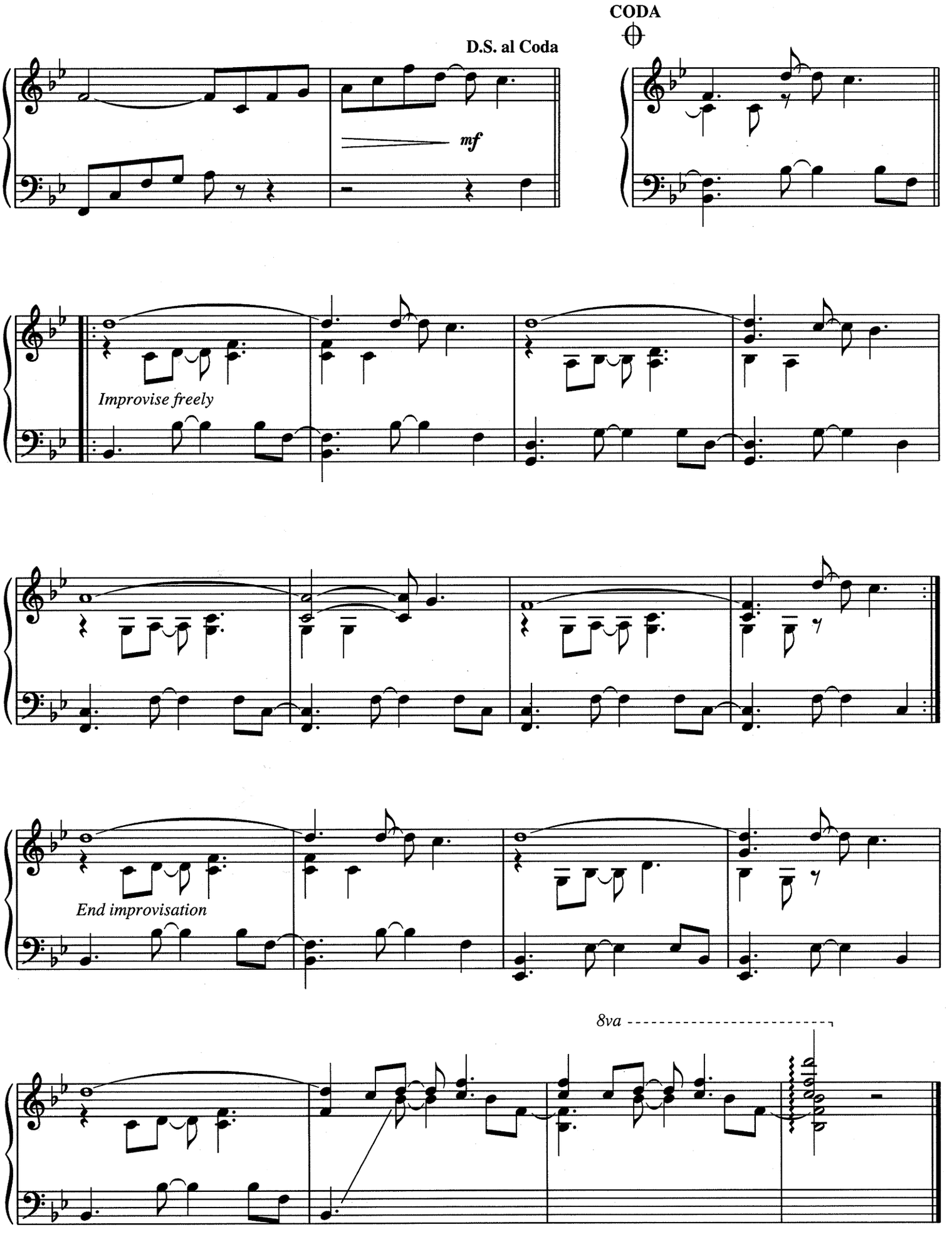
D.S. al Coda
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CODA
Improvise freely
End improvisation
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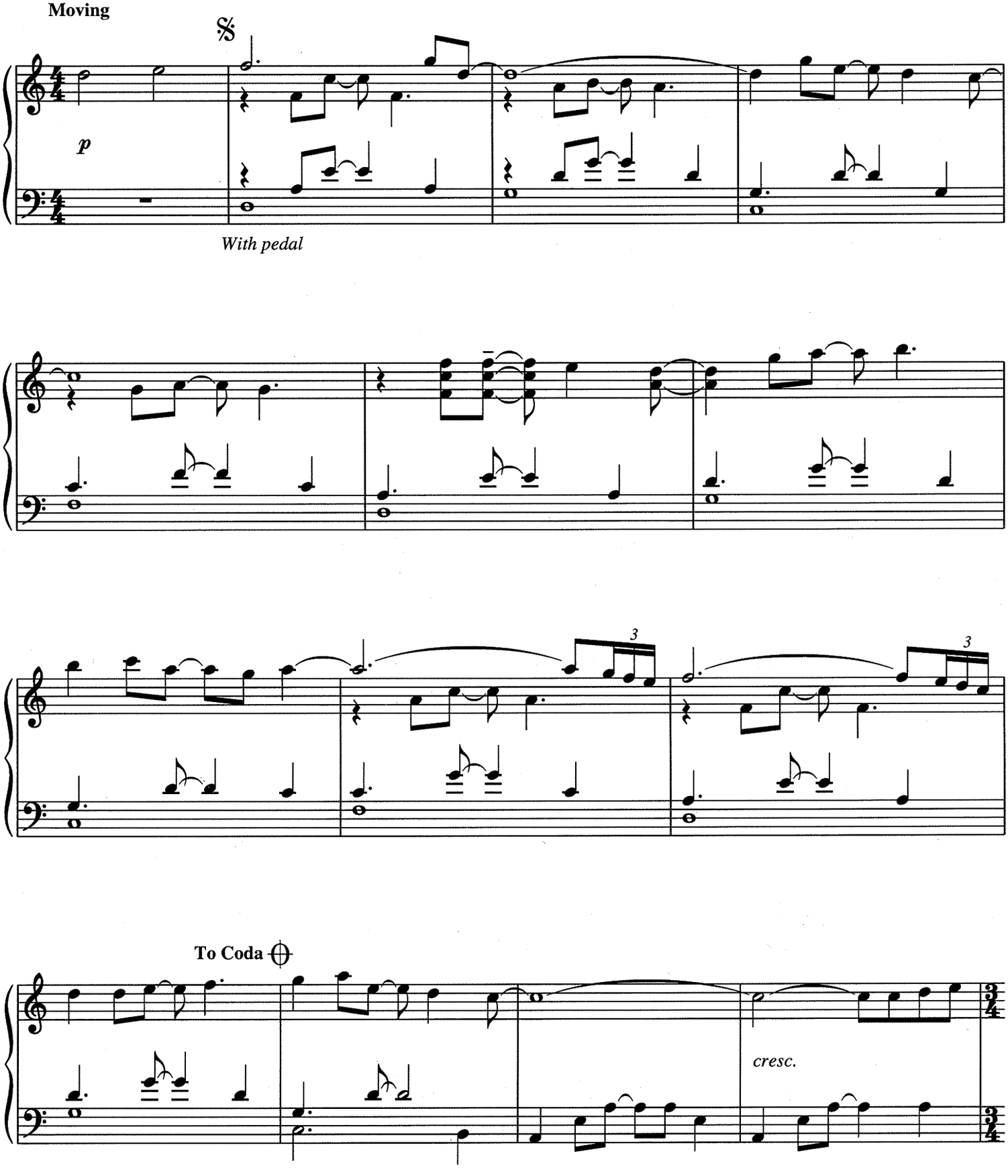
LOVE SONG

For my mother, Ruth Alice Bowman Ciani

By SUZANNE CIANI

Moving



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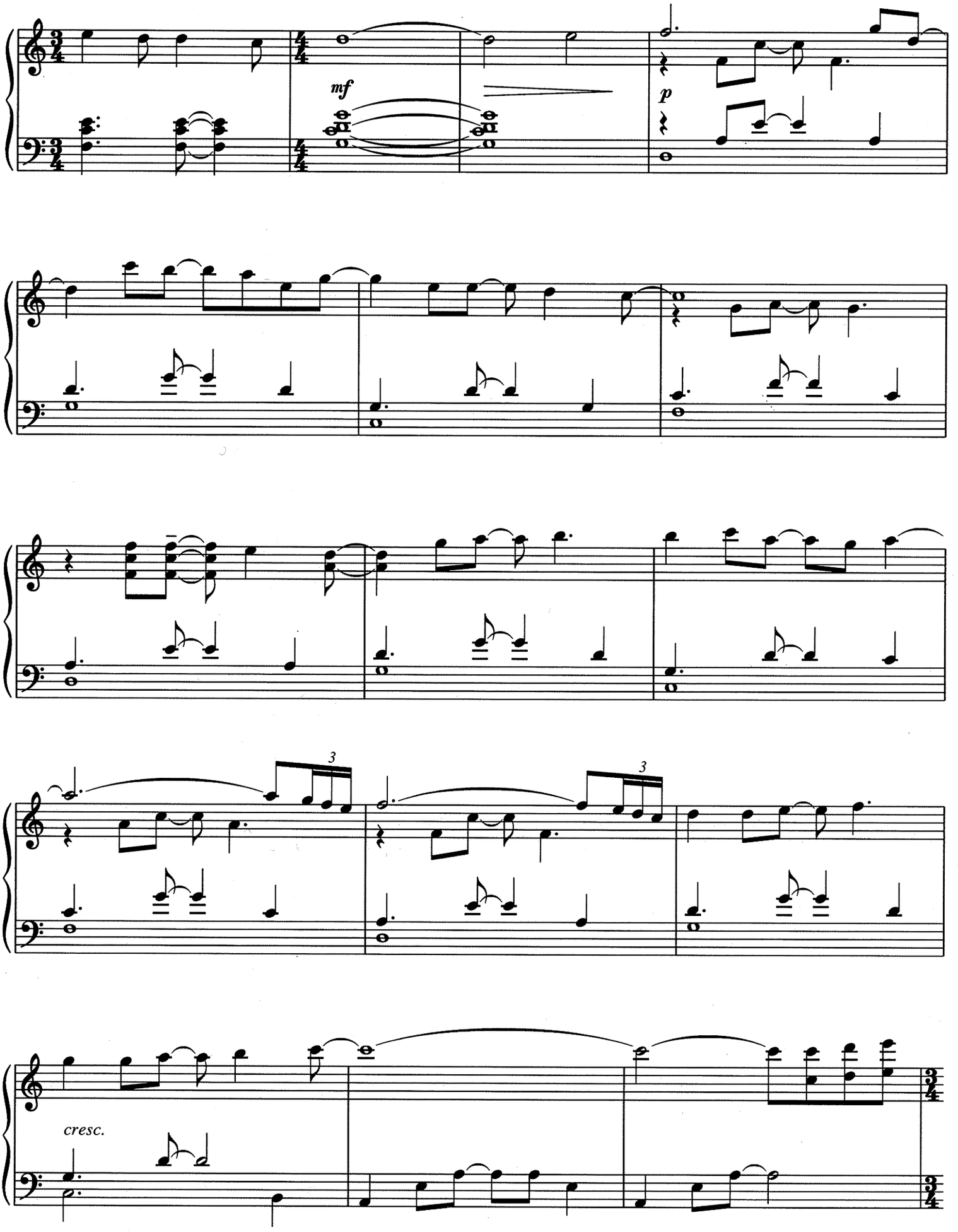
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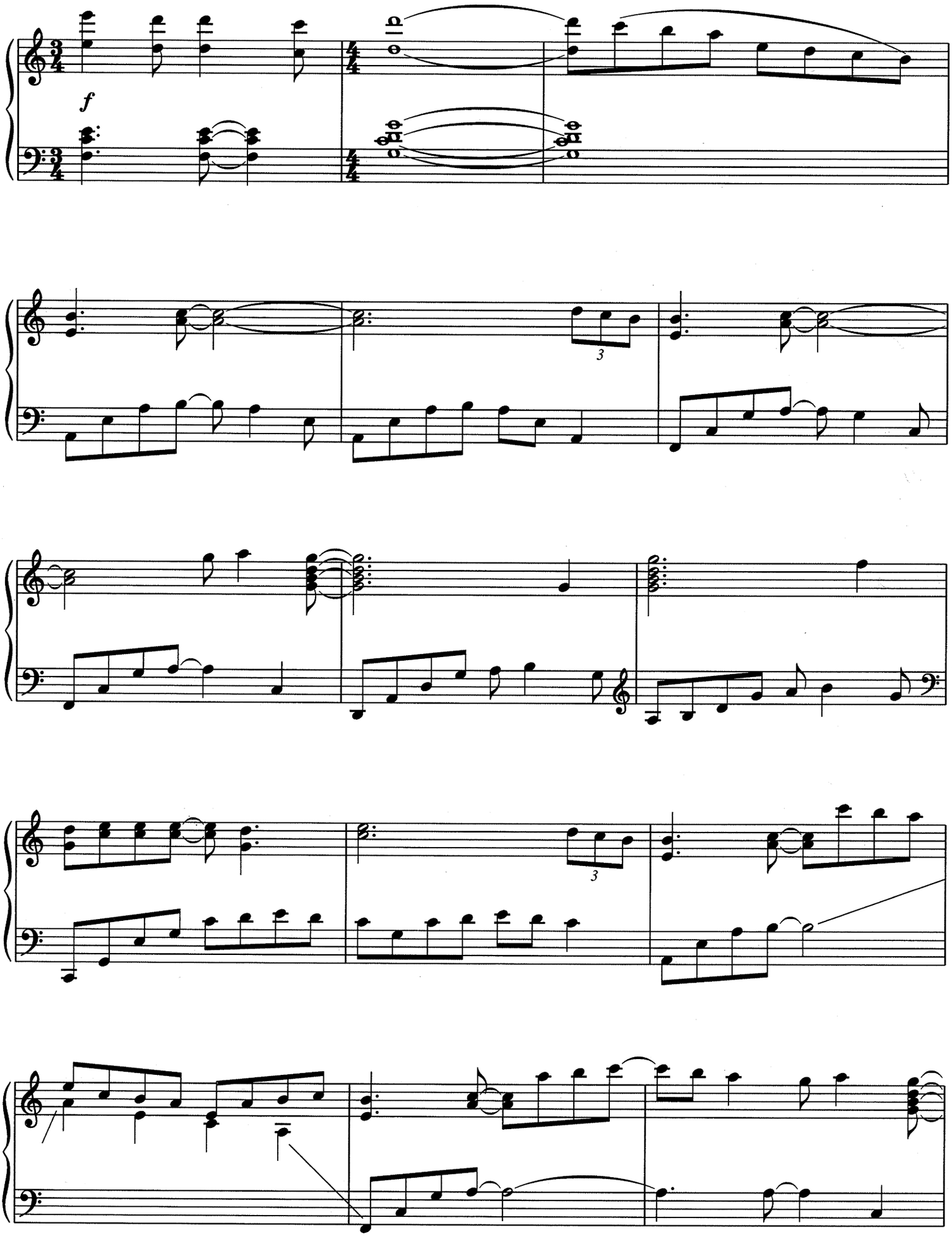
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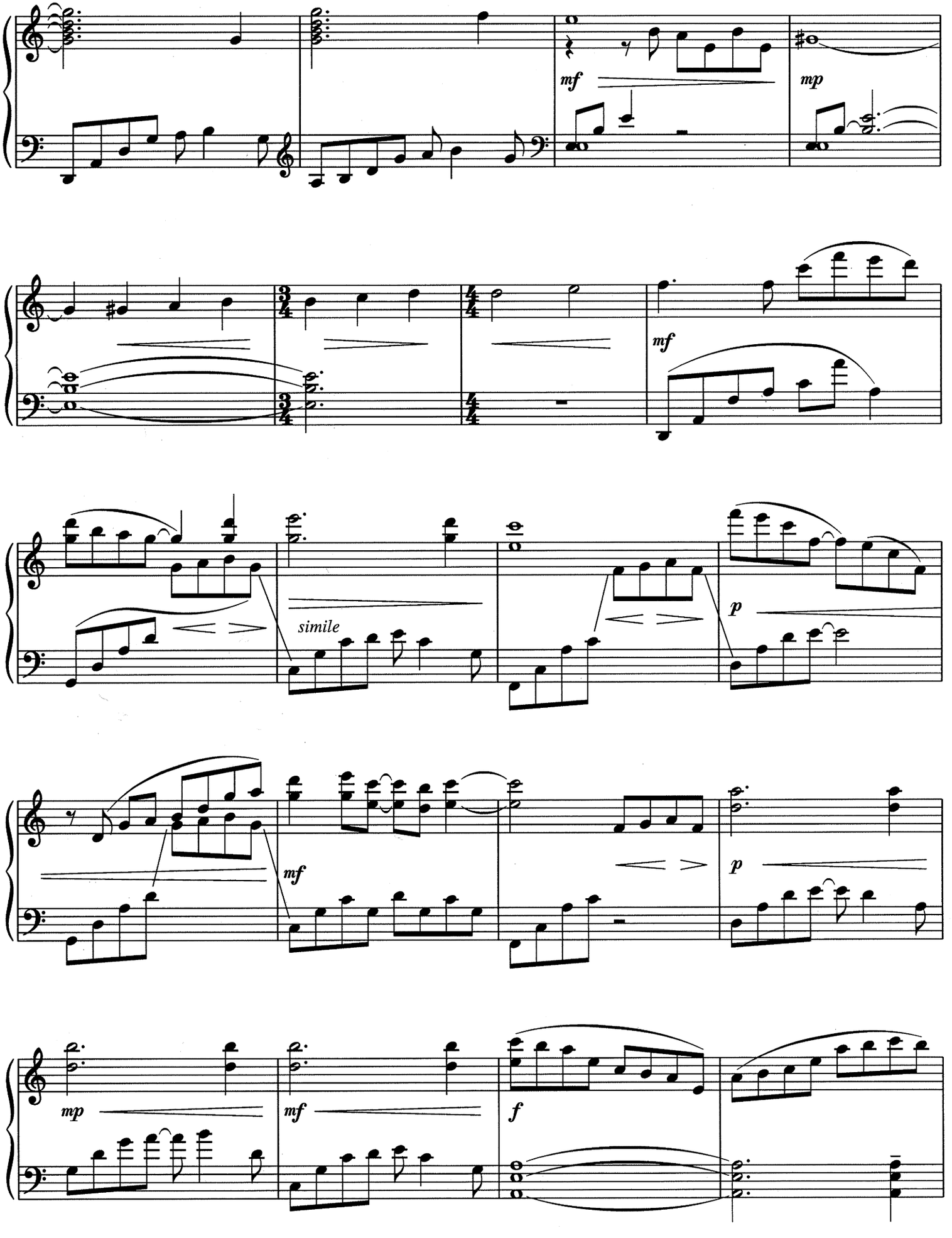
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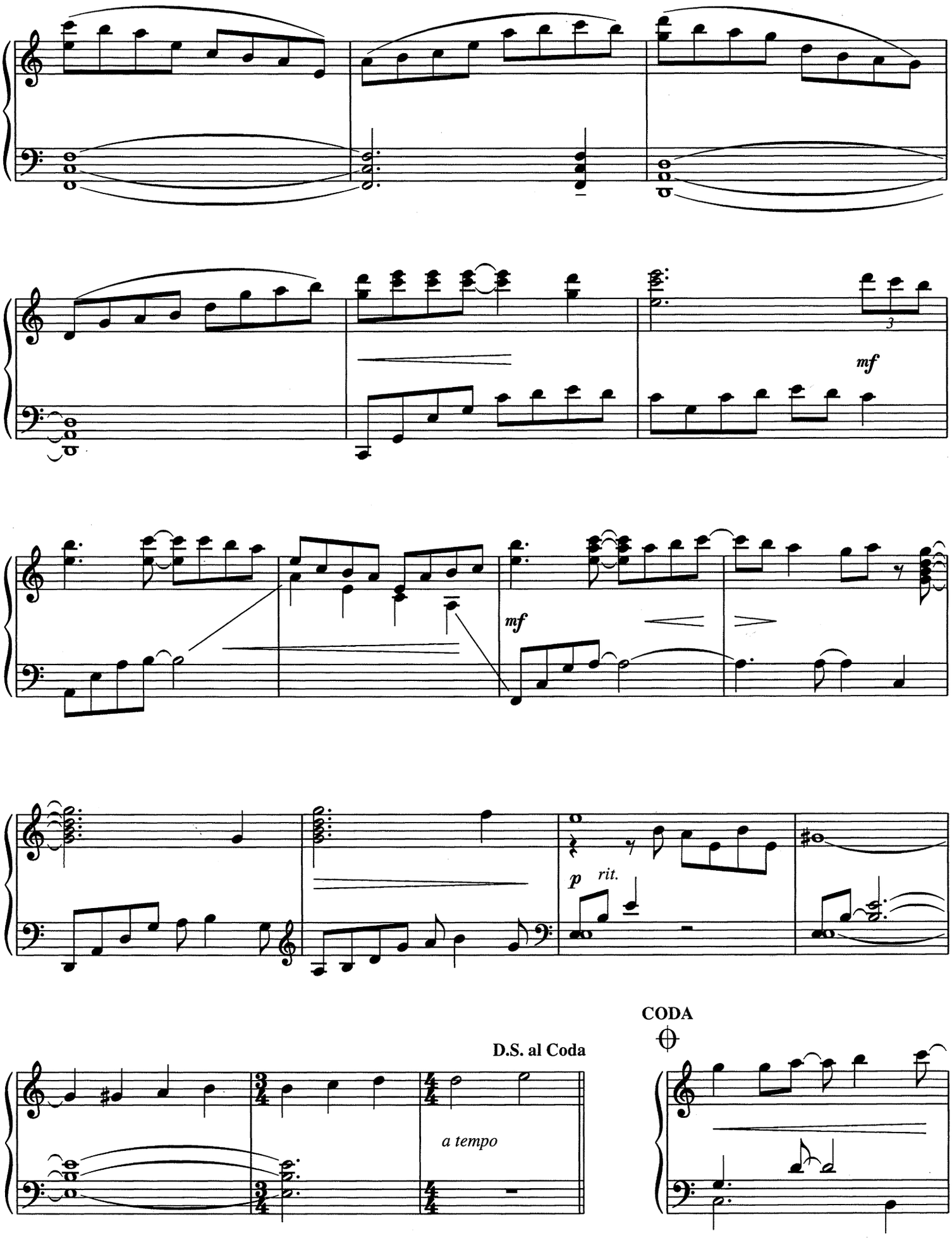
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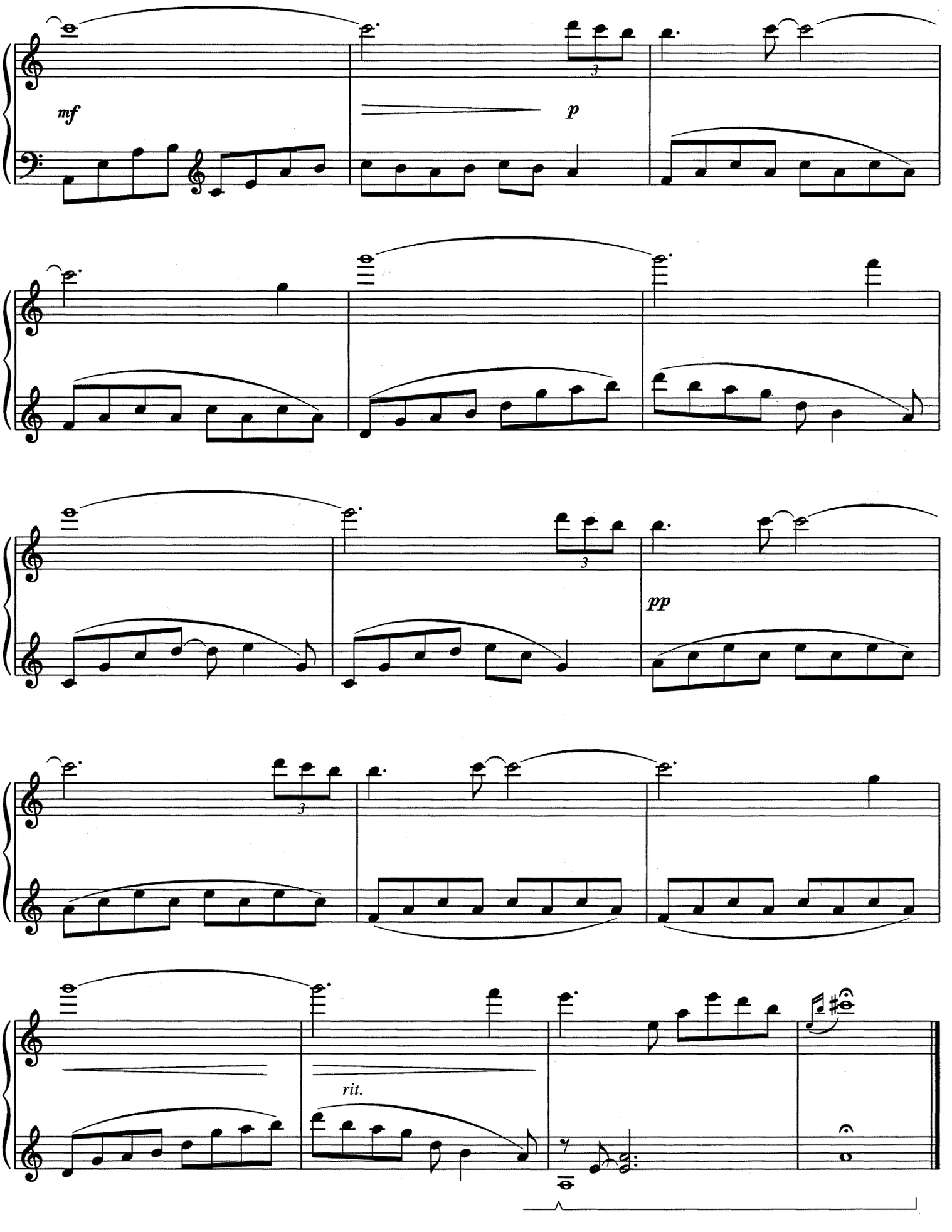
D.S. al Coda
a tempo
CODA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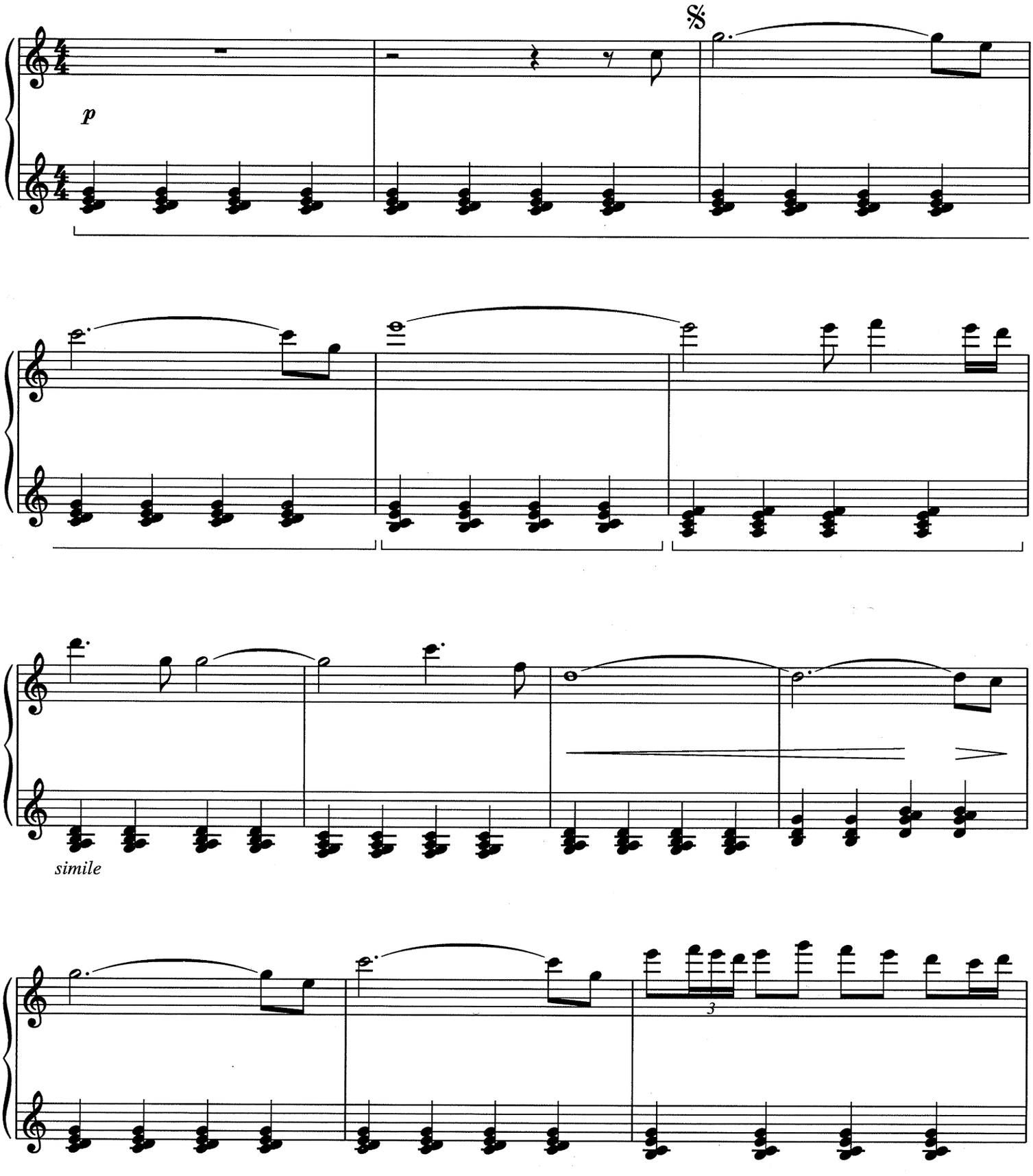
MEETING MOZART

...and in the palace anteroom, I met Mozart...

By SUZANNE CIANI

Gently, expressively (♩ = 80)



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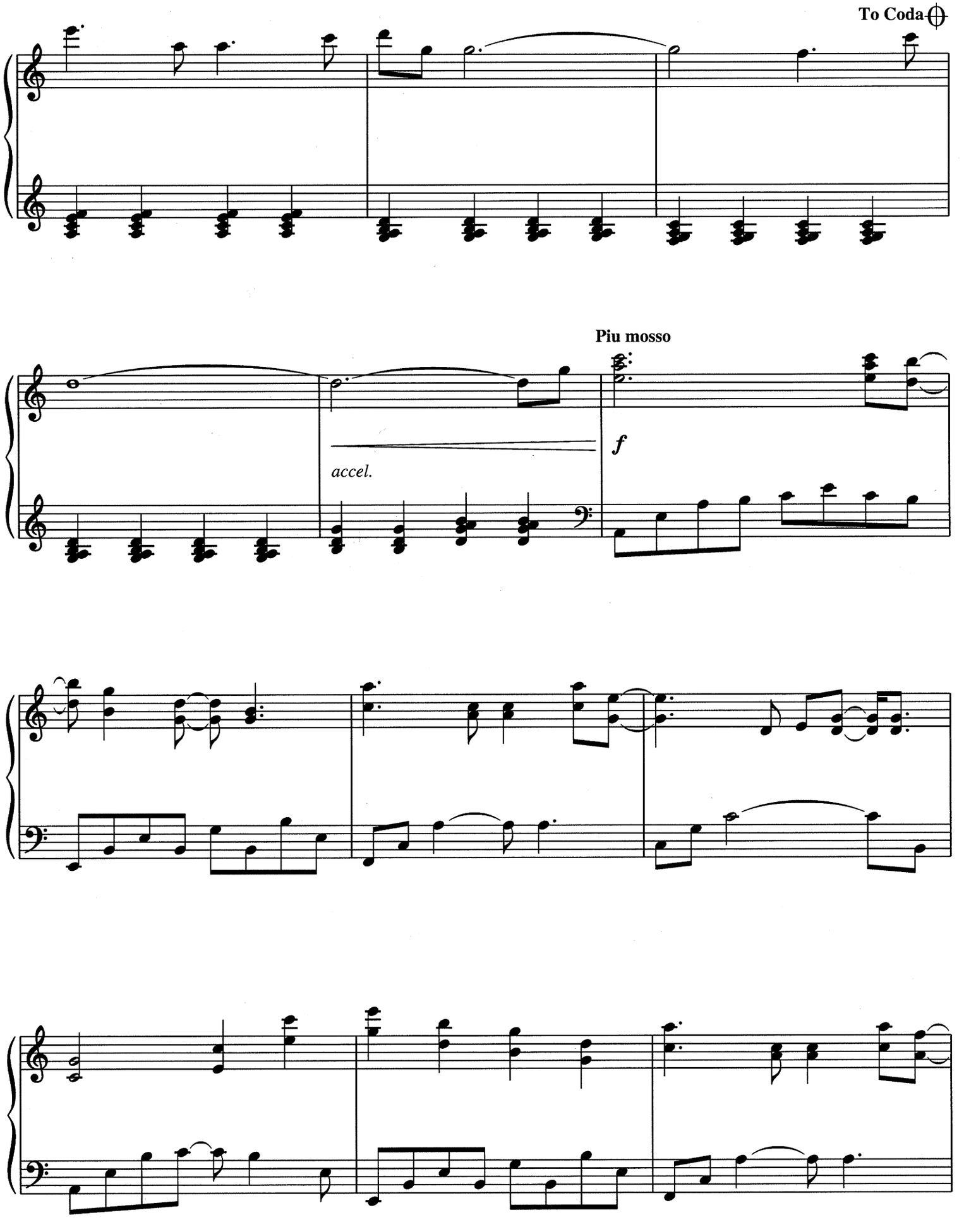
To Coda
Piu mosso
accel.
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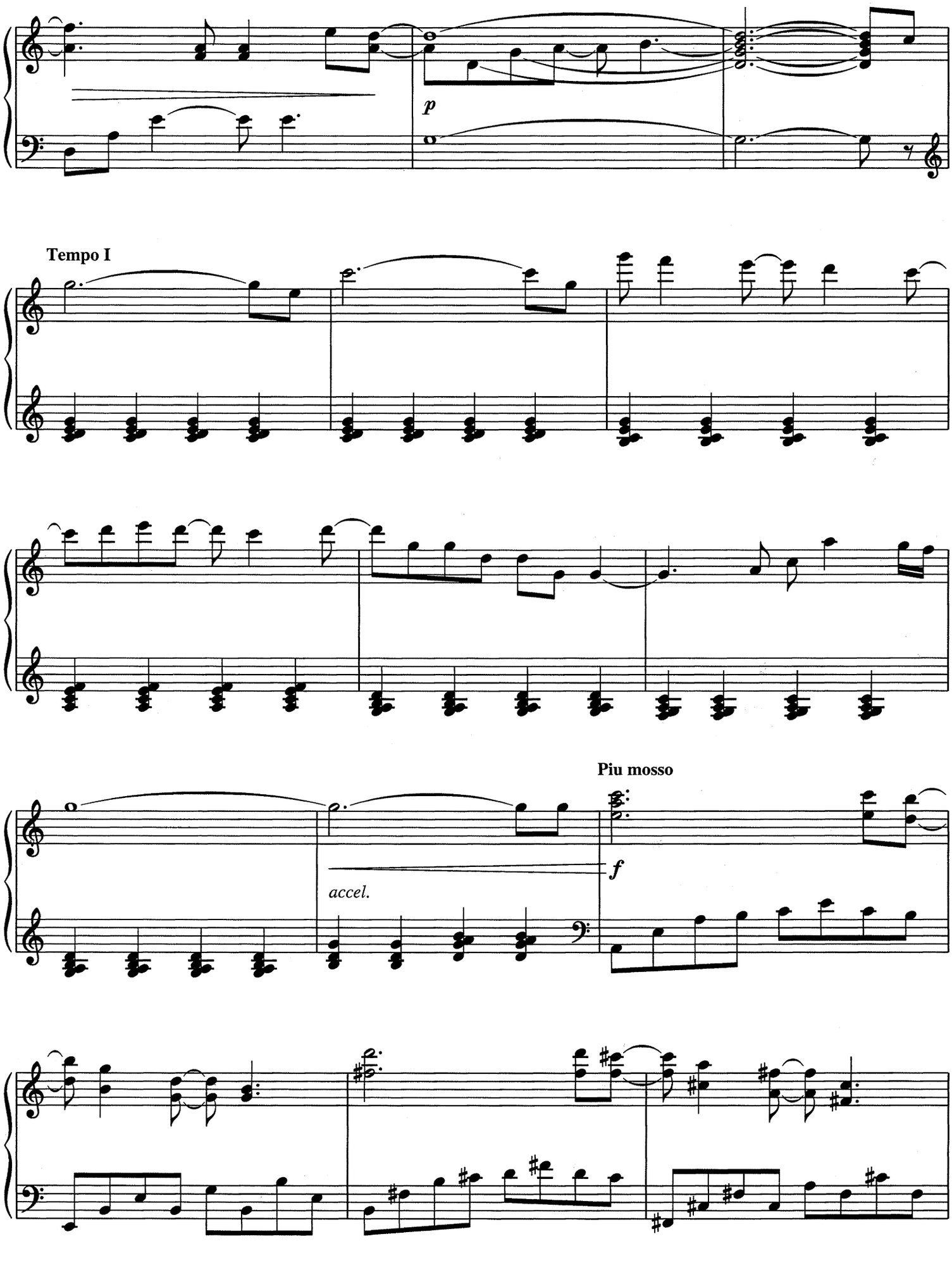
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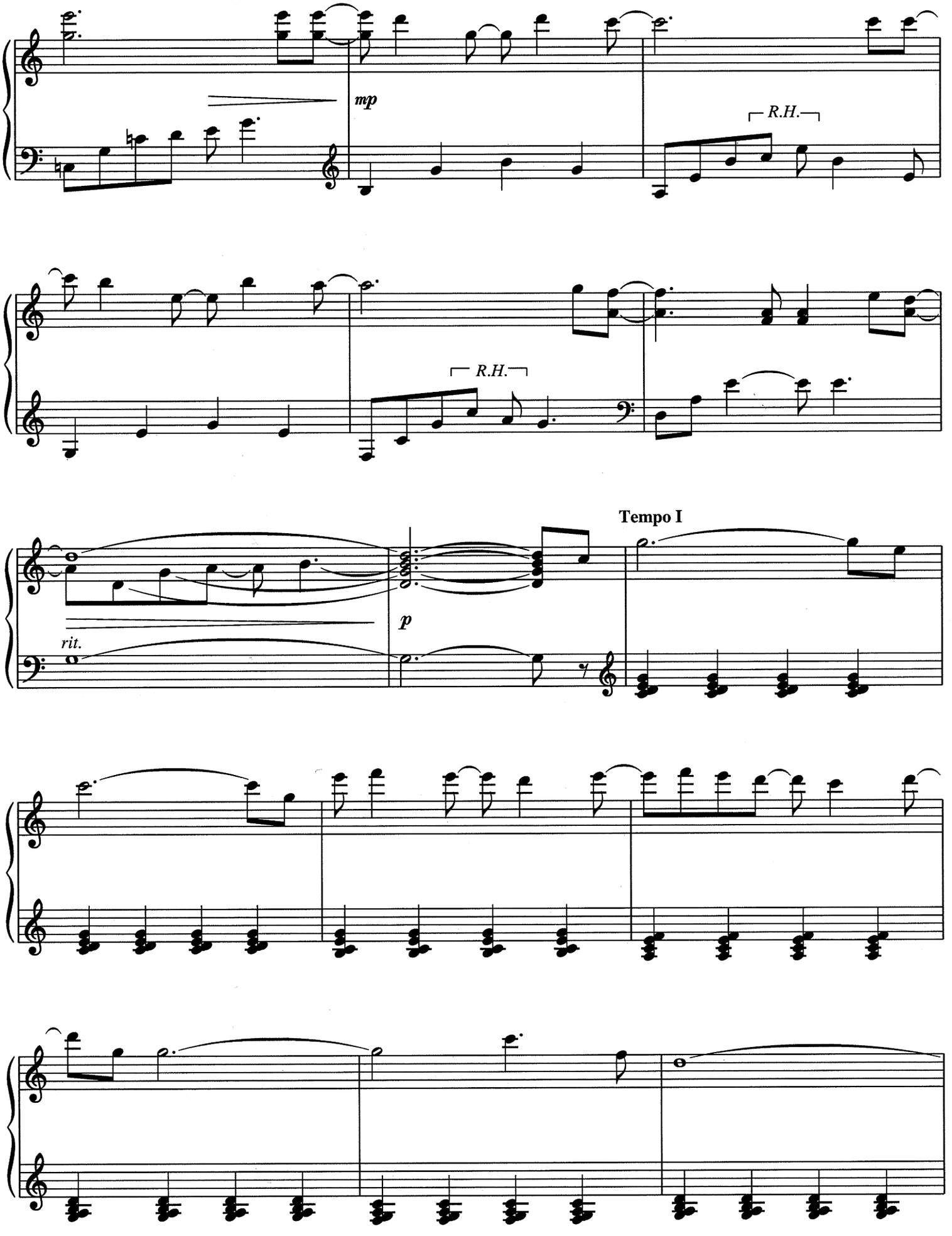
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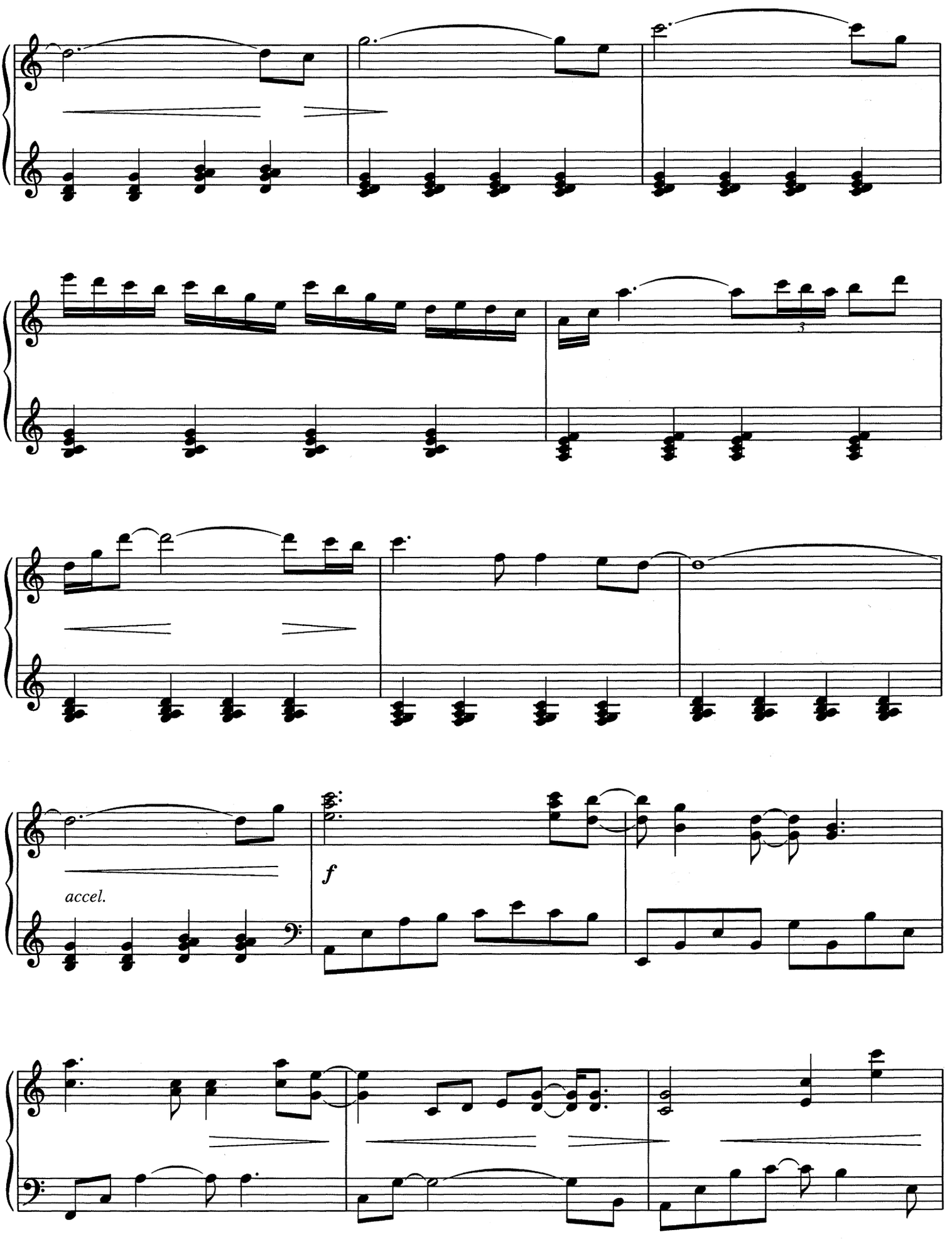
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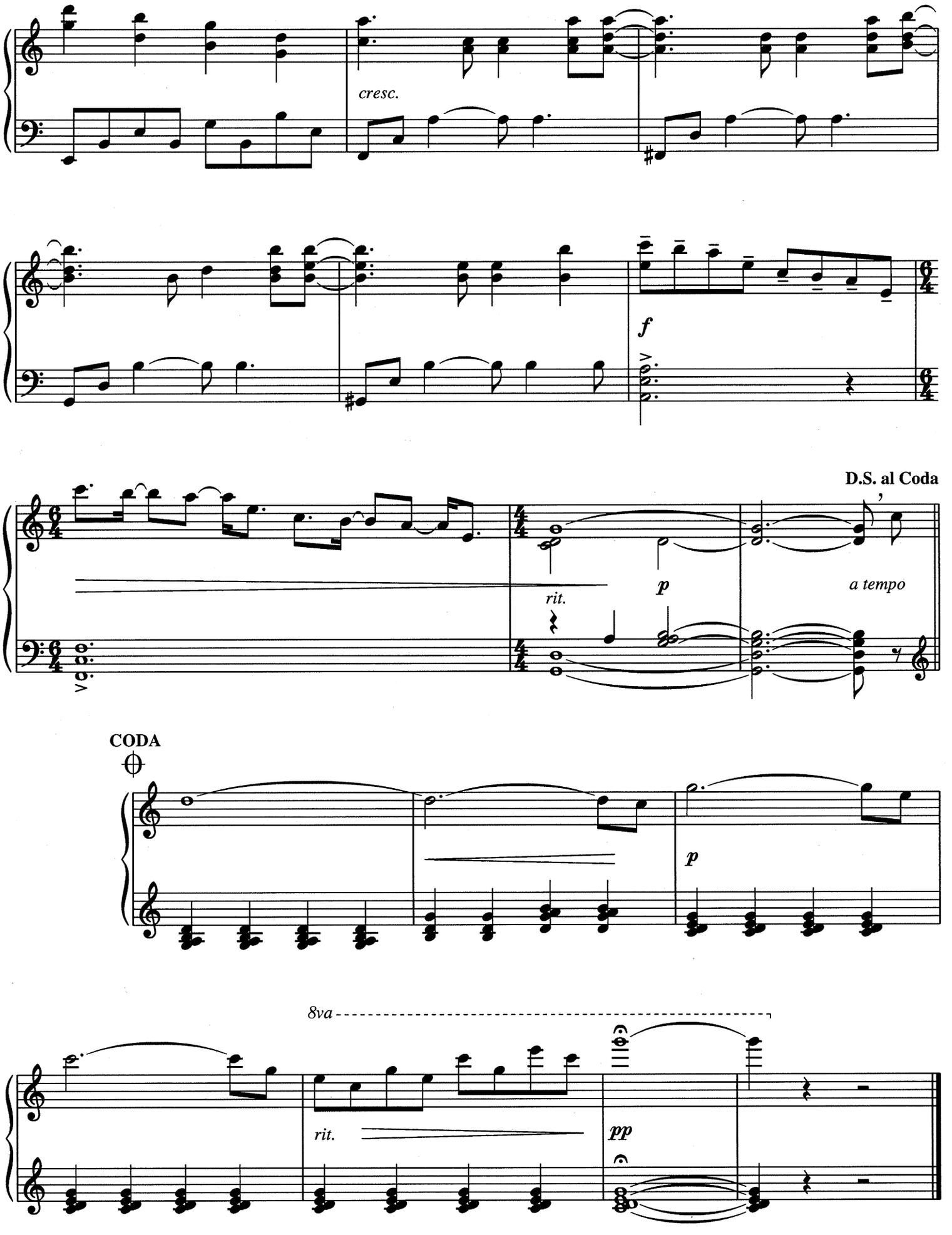
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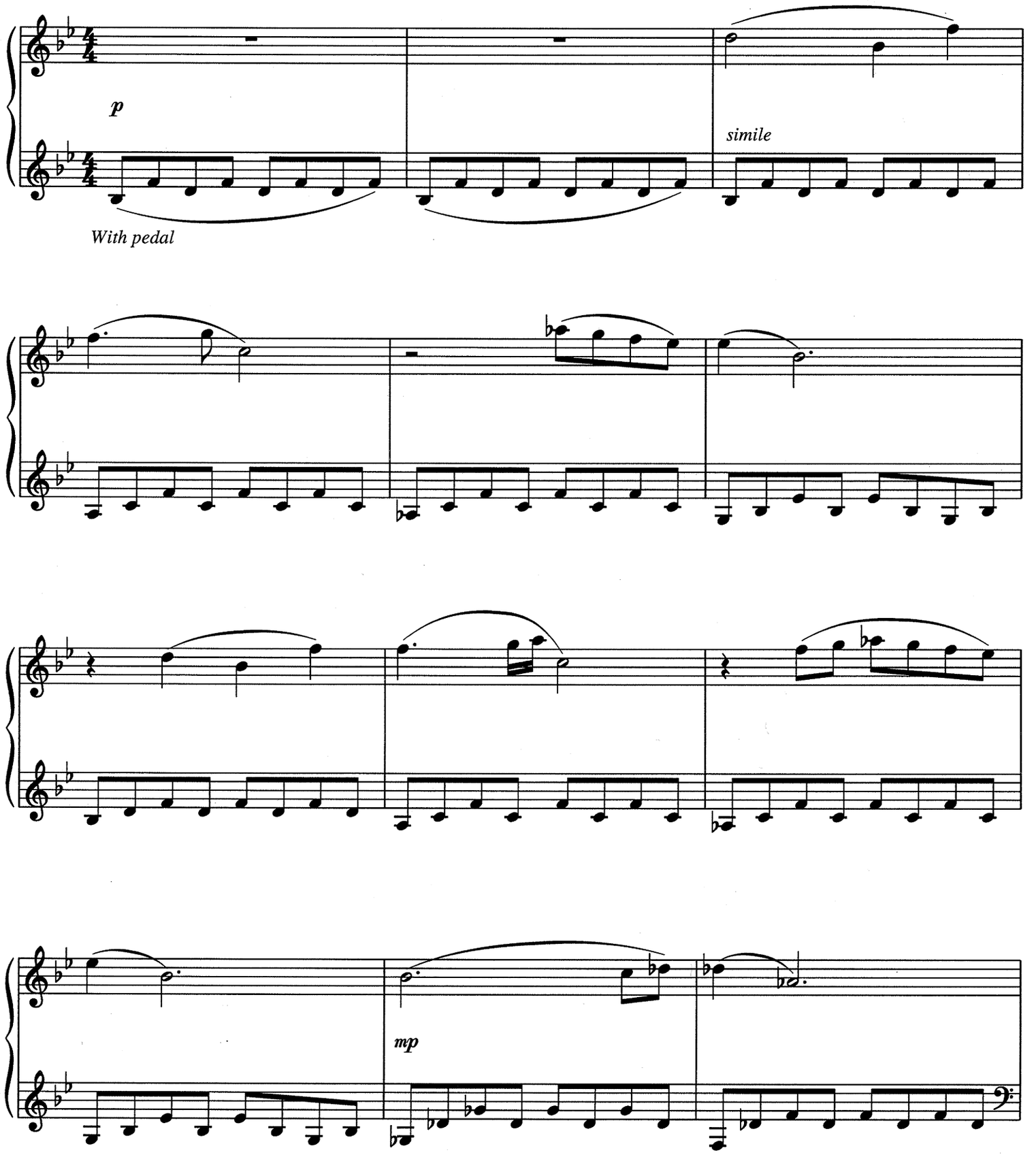
MEGAN'S DREAM

She had "One Life to Live" and it was slipping away

By SUZANNE CIANI

Moderately



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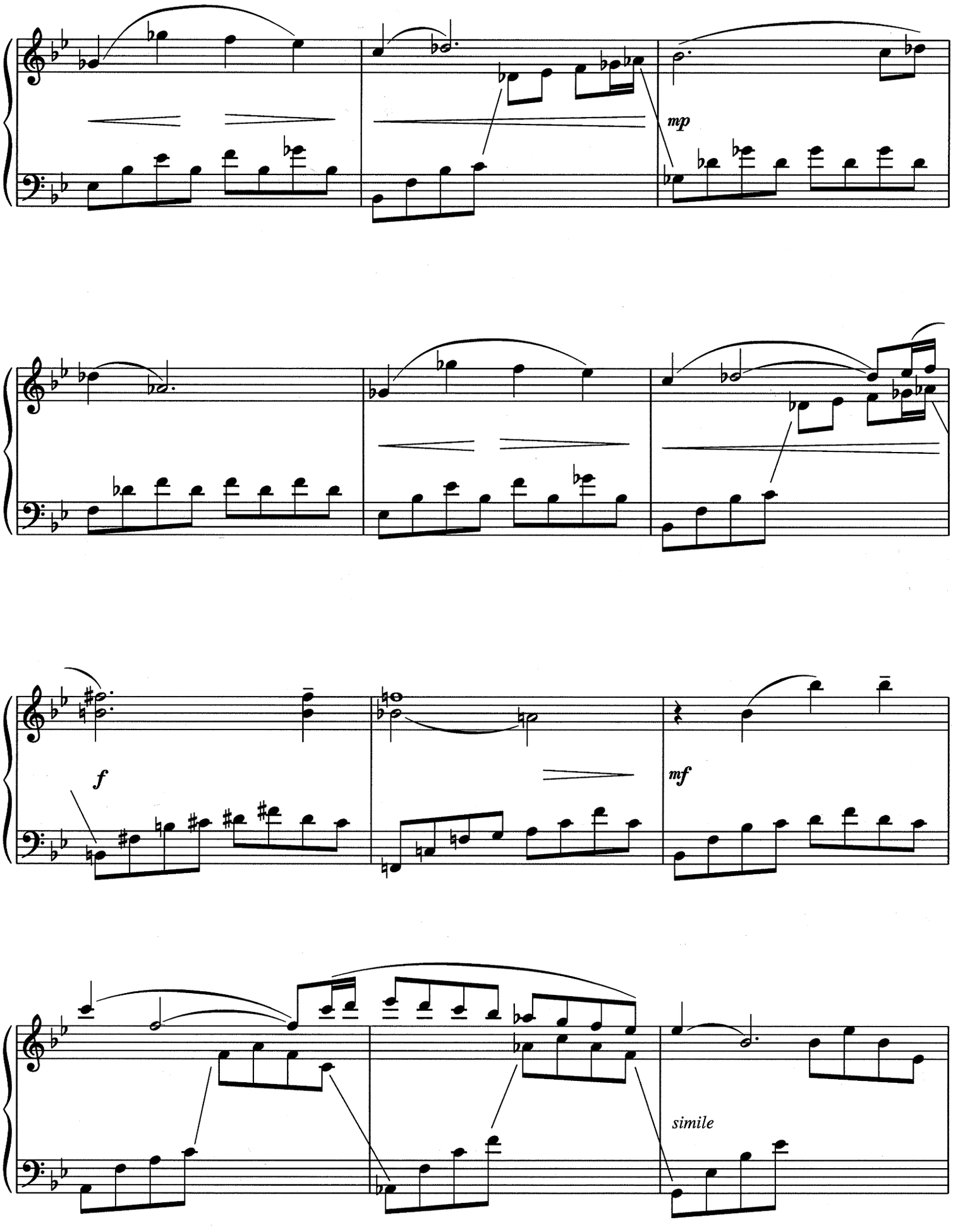
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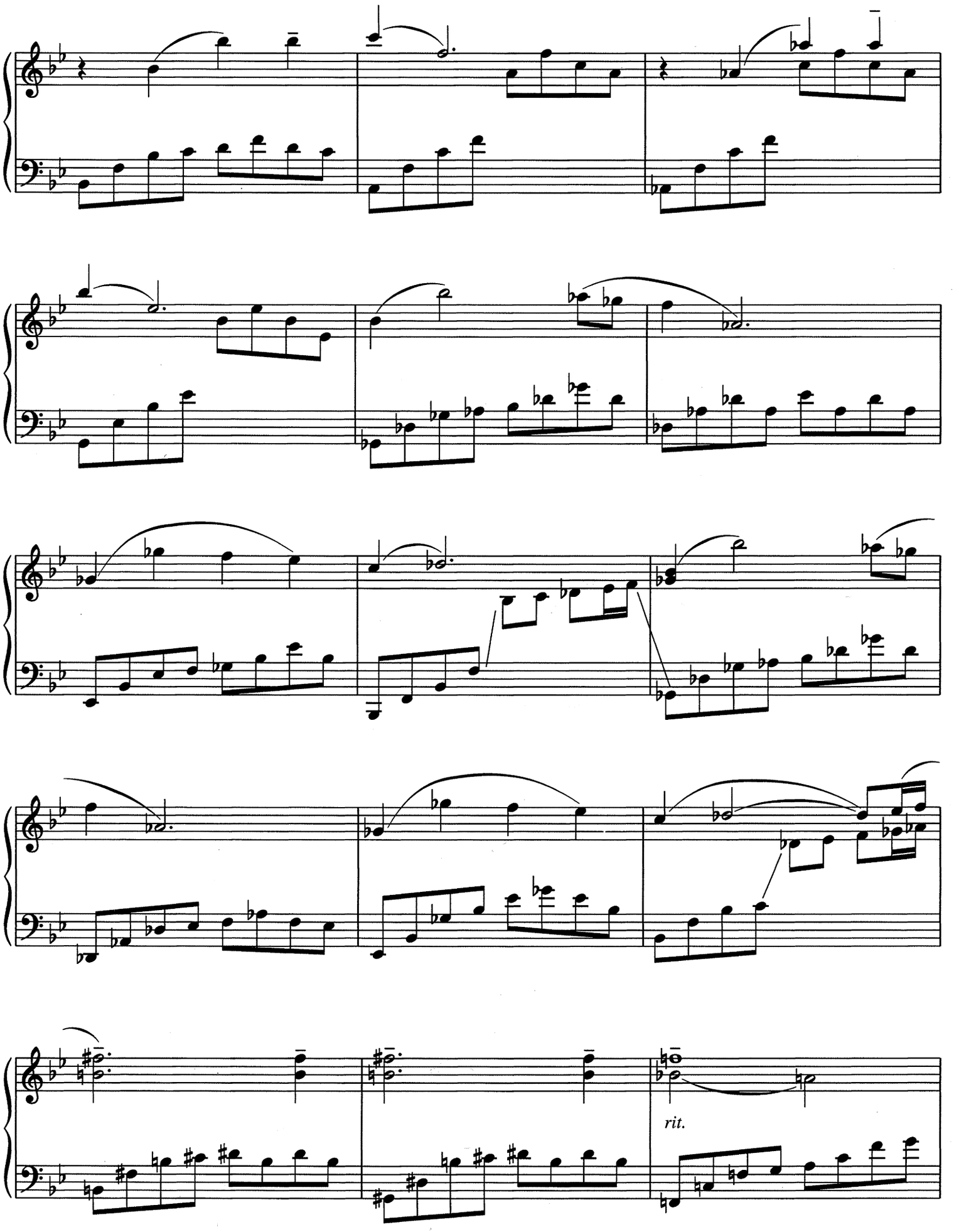
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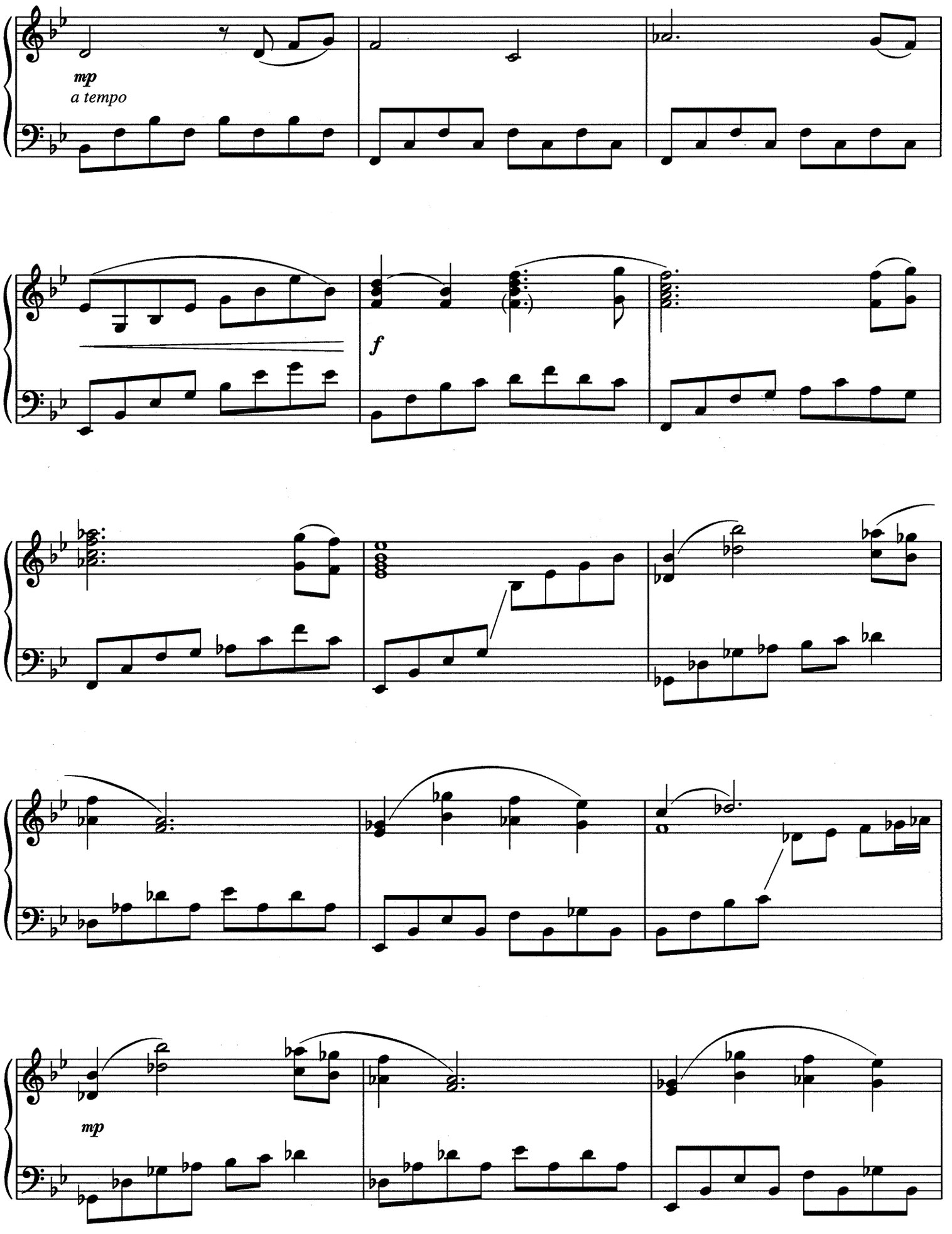
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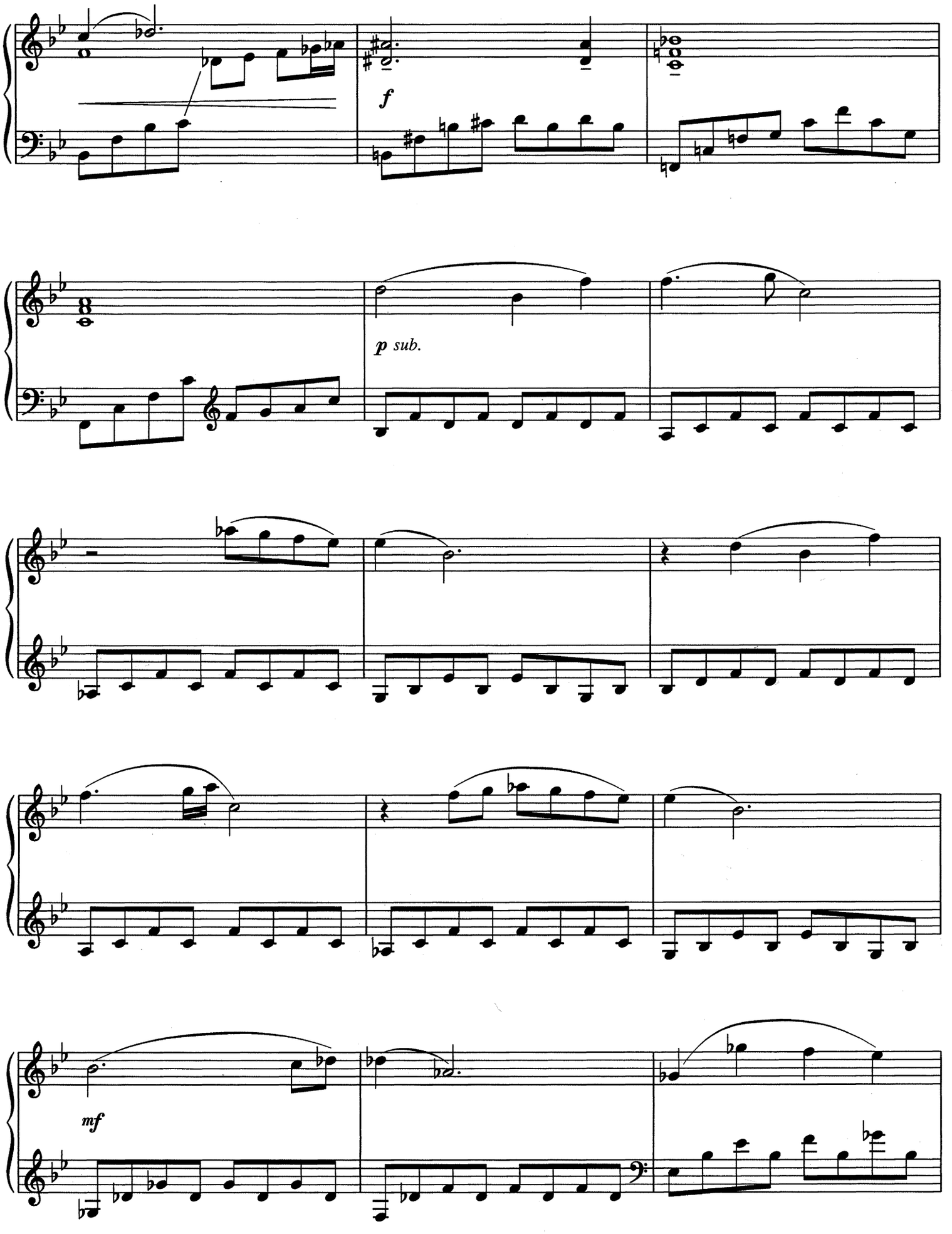
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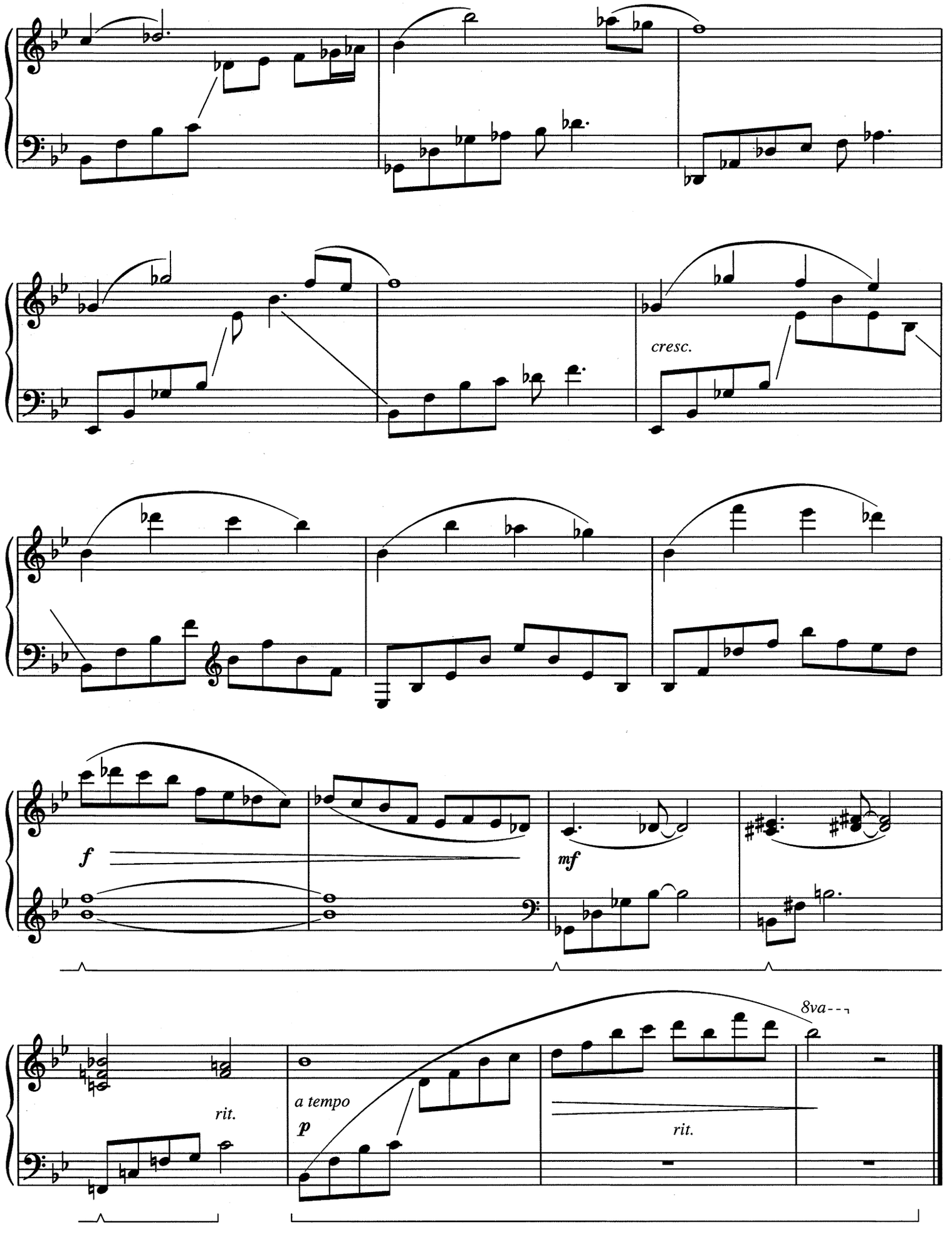
cresc.
f
mf
rit.
a tempo
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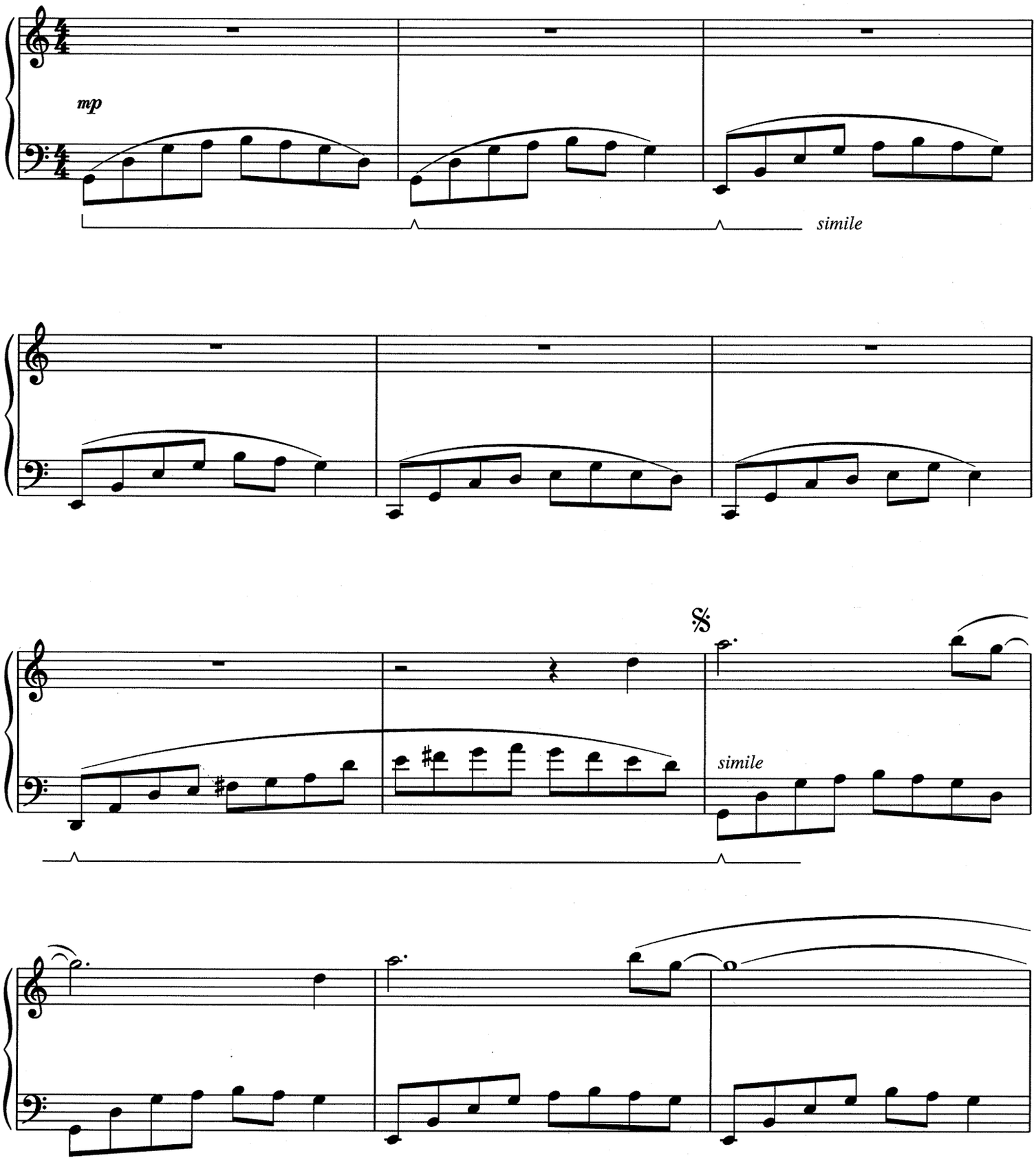
rit.
8va

ONDINE

Over the gentle seas you can hear the echoes of the Sirens

By SUZANNE CIANI

Gracefully



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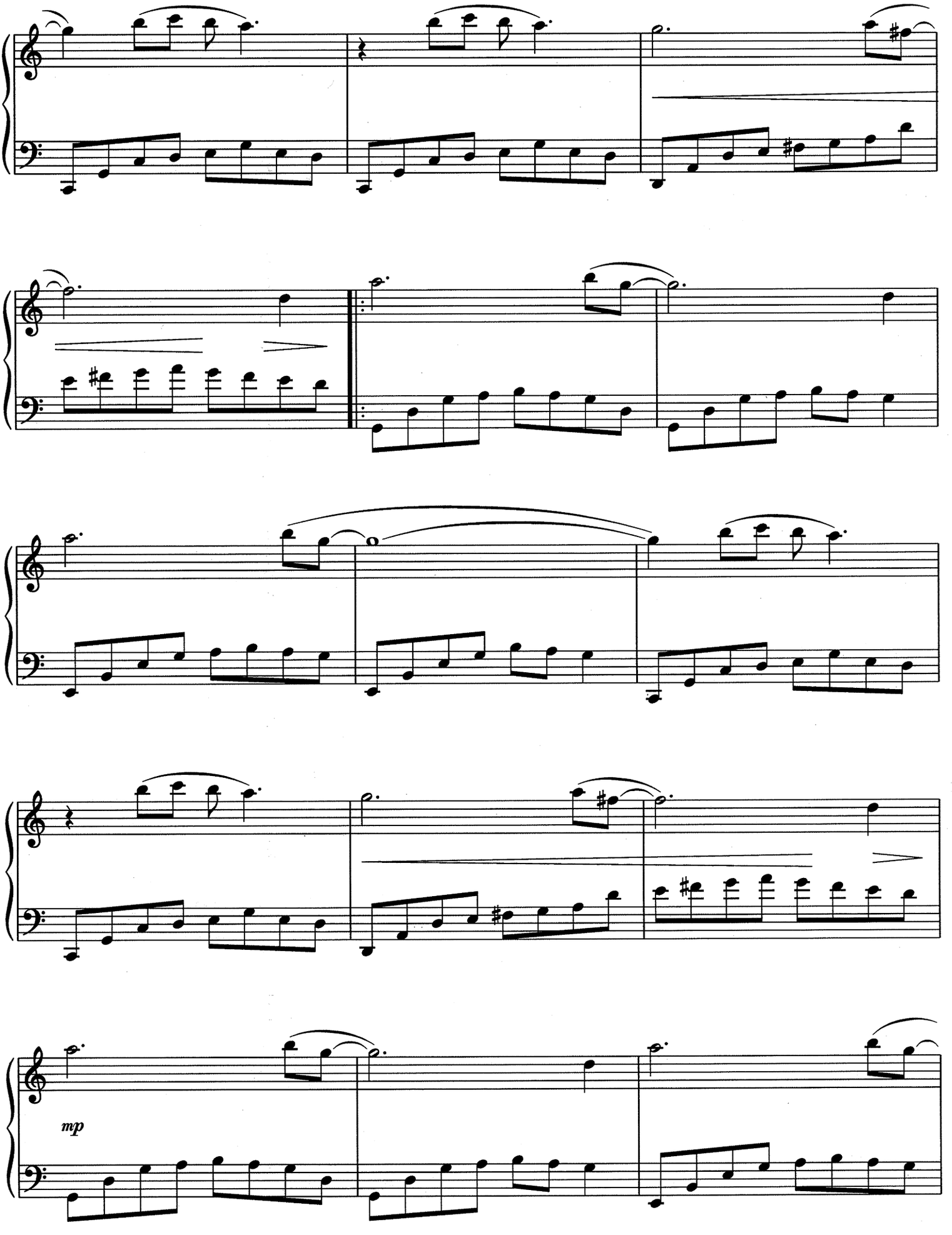
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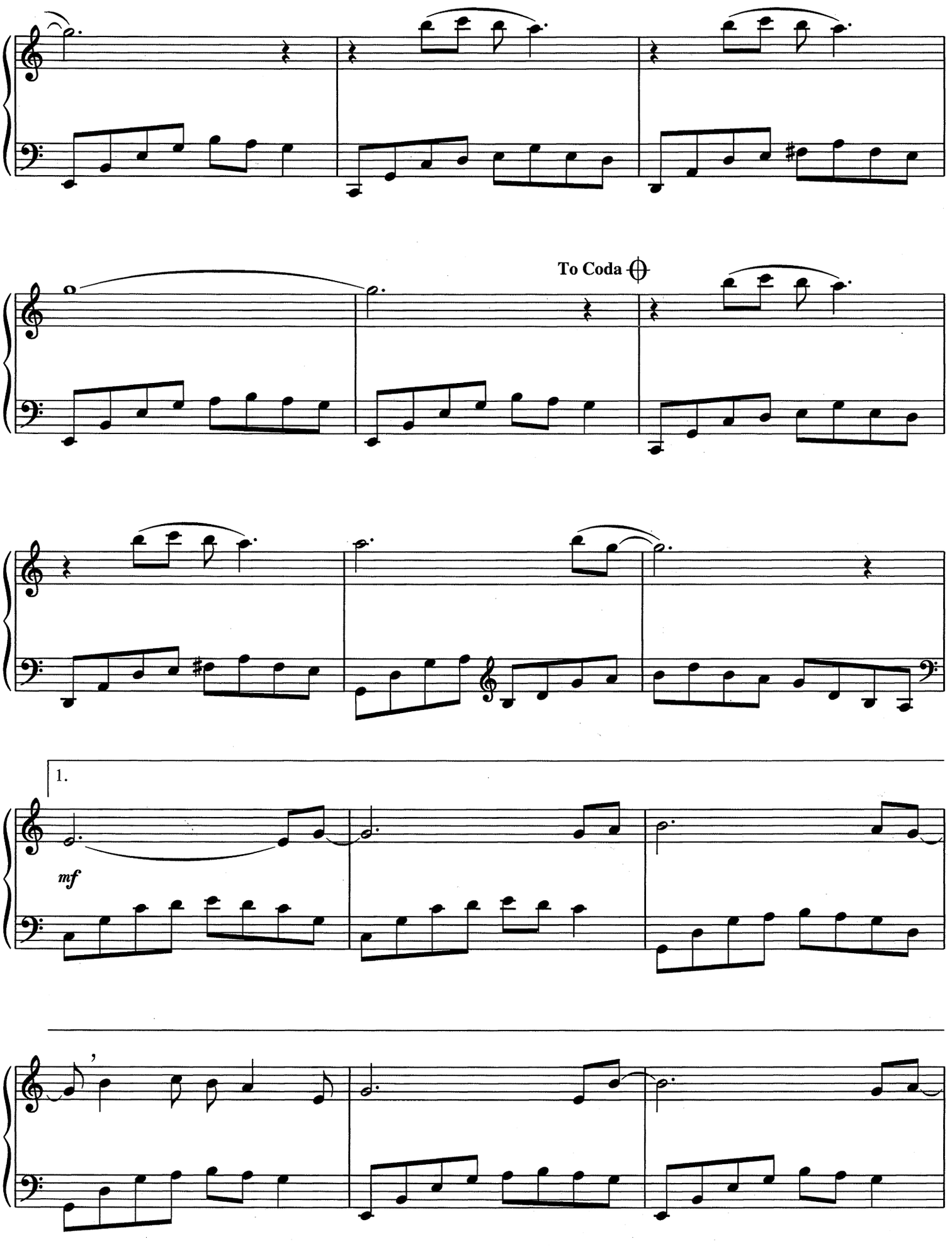
To Coda
1.
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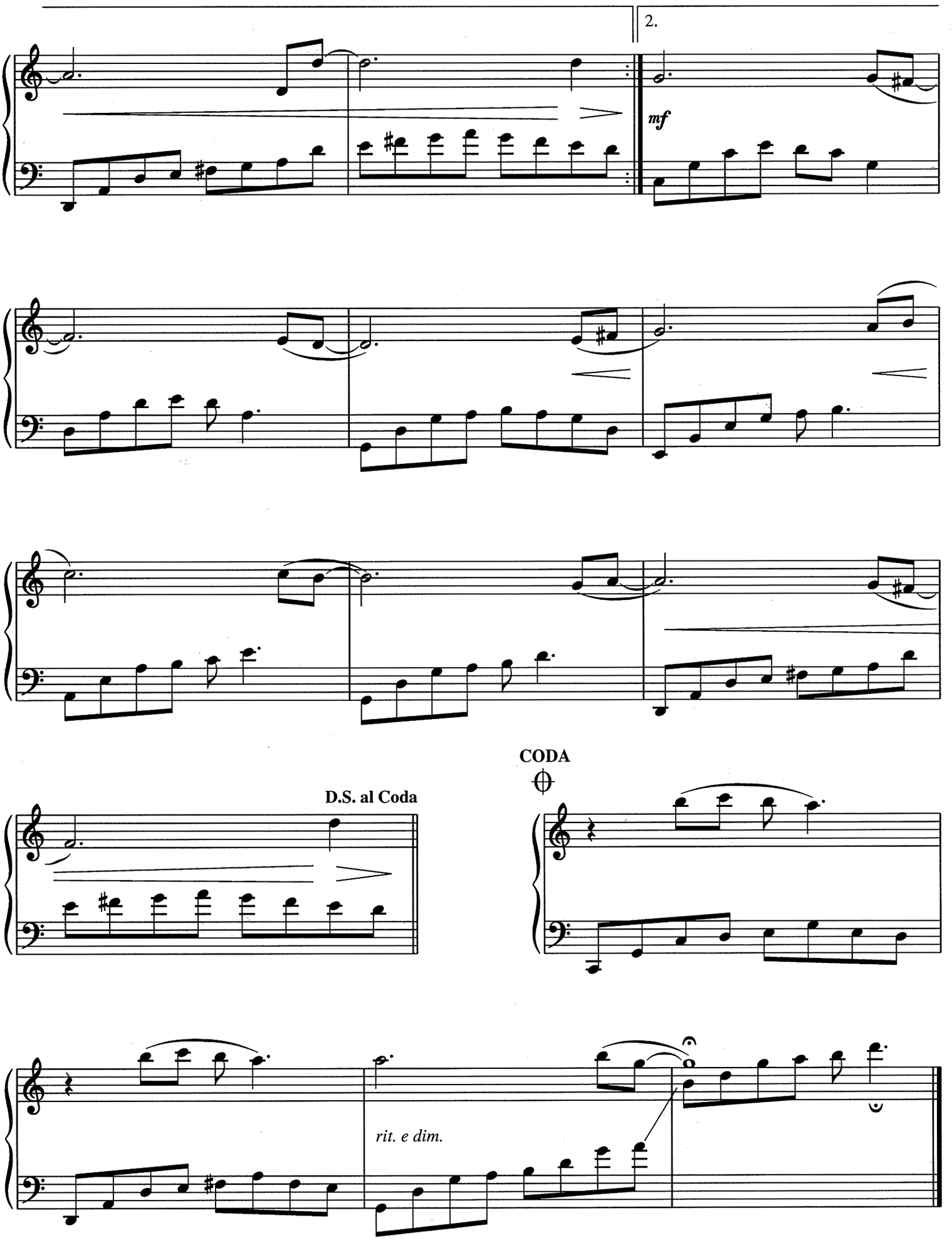
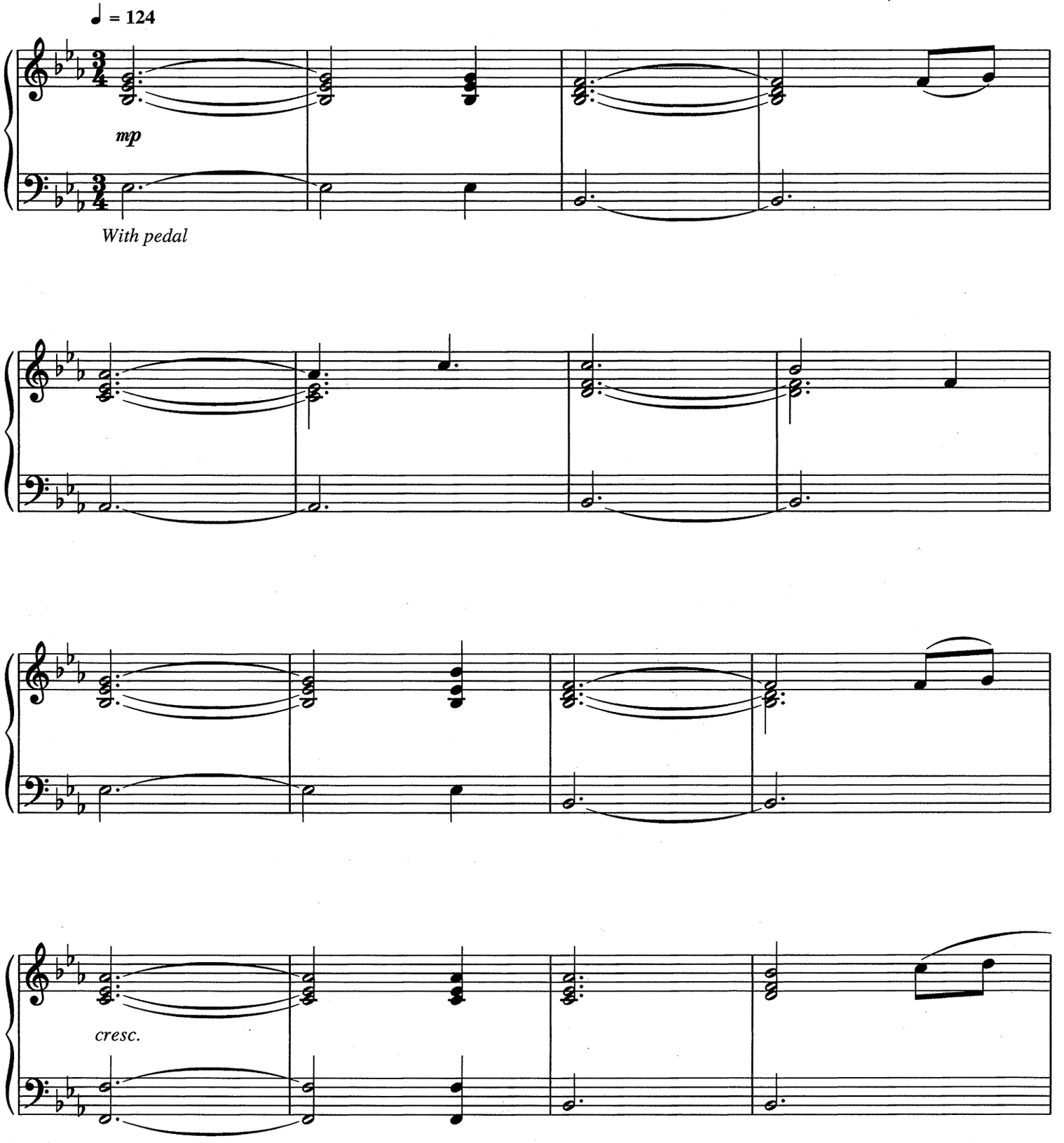

2.
mf
D.S. al Coda
CODA
rit. e dim.

RIDING HEAVEN'S WAVE: EULOGY TO A SURFER

In memoriam, John Scully, 1965-1993

By SUZANNE CIANI



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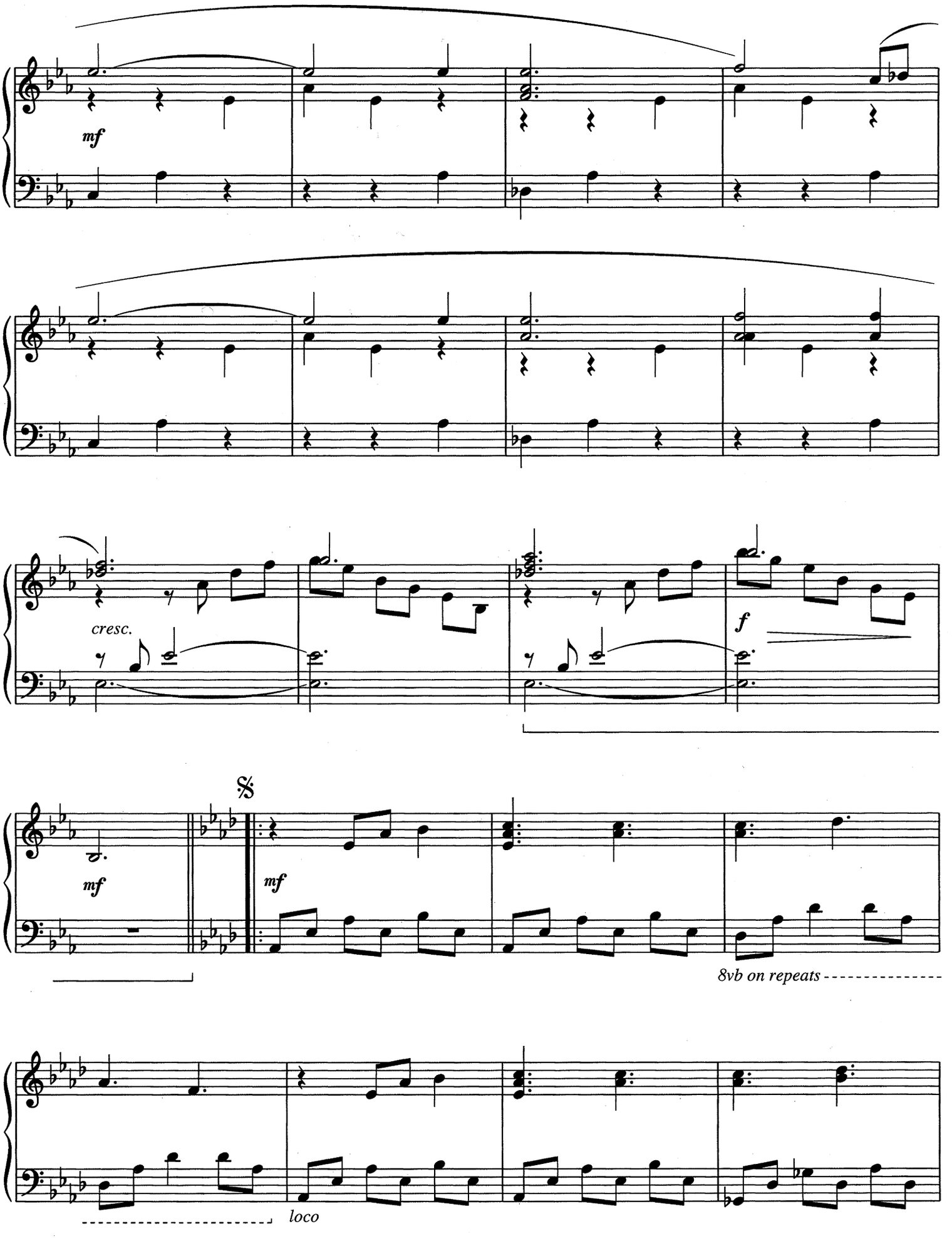
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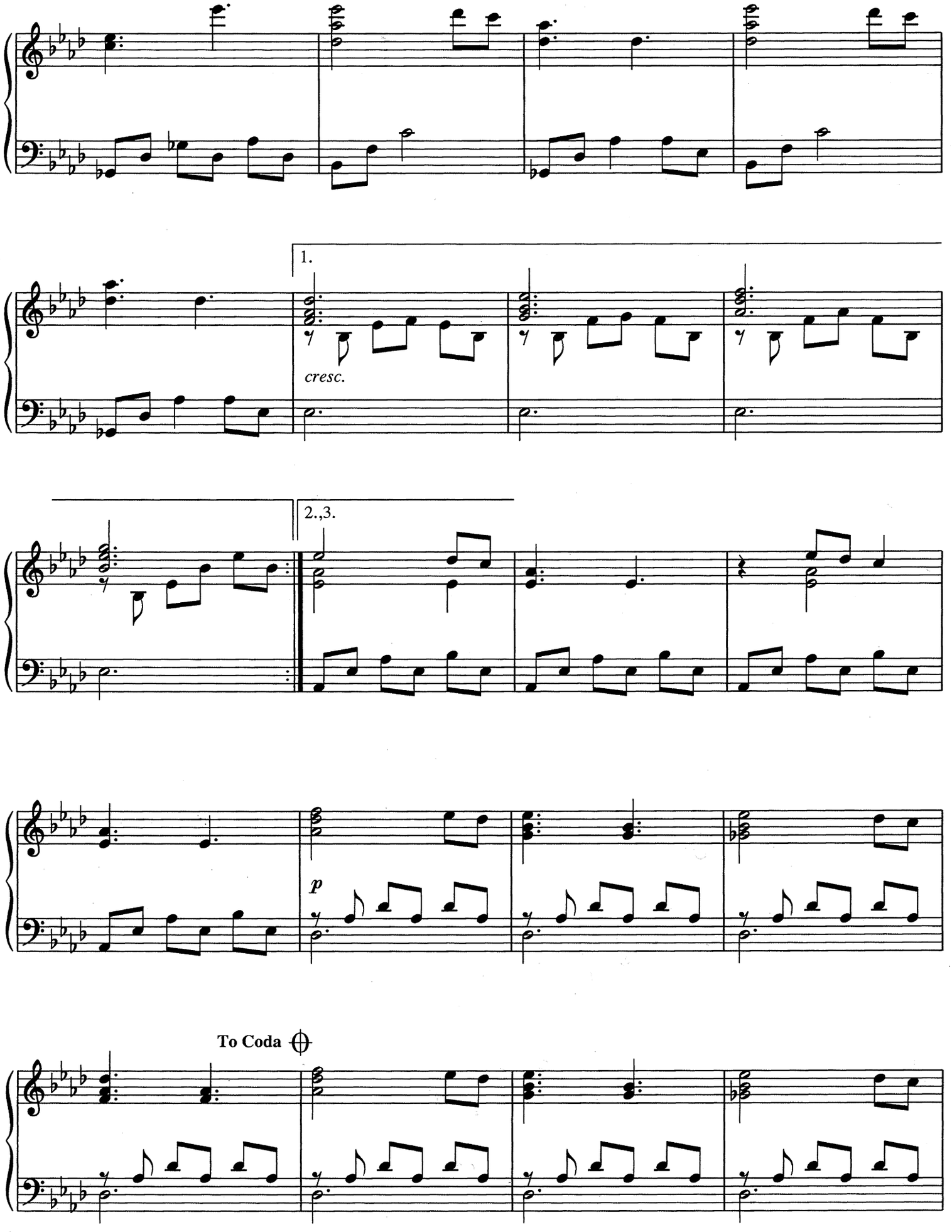
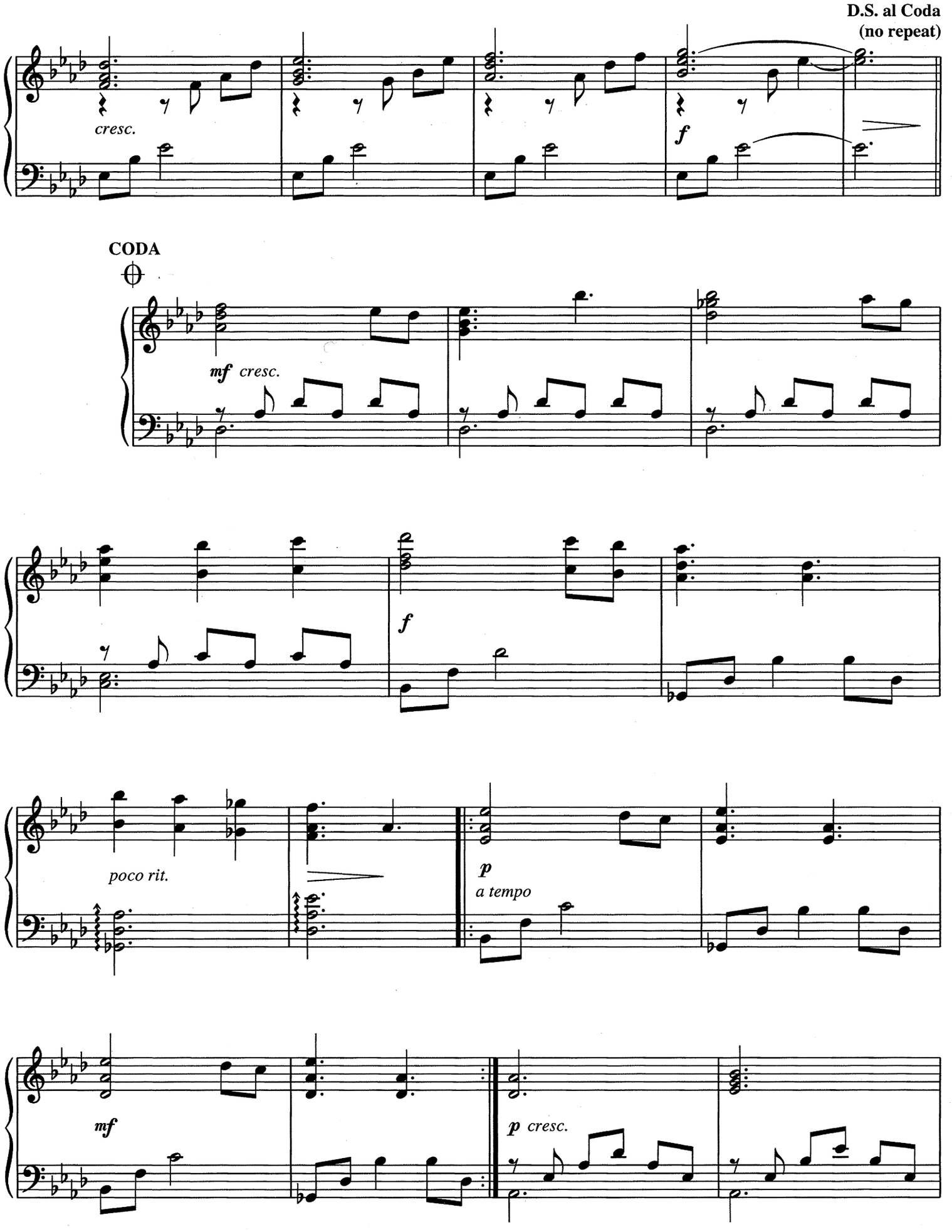
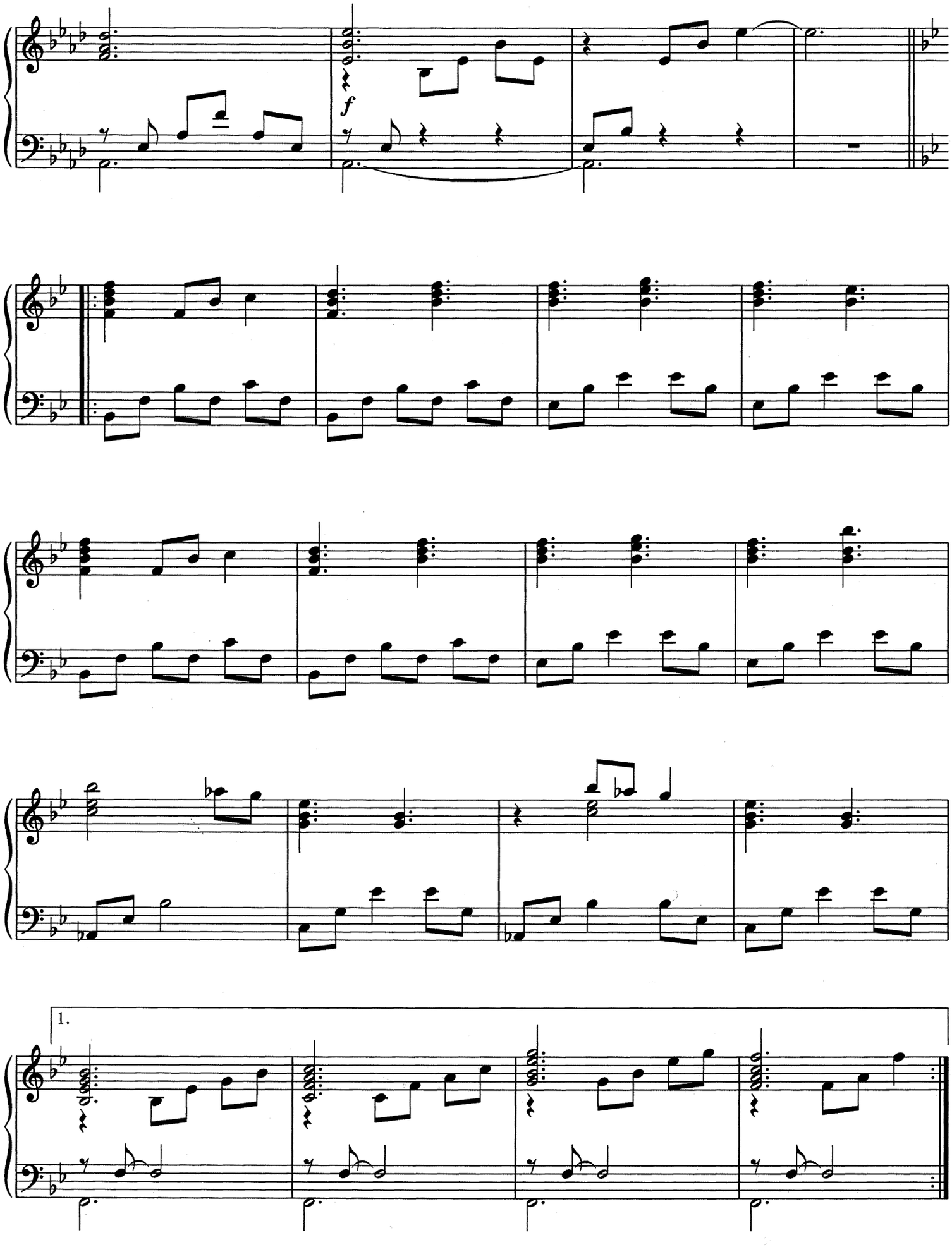
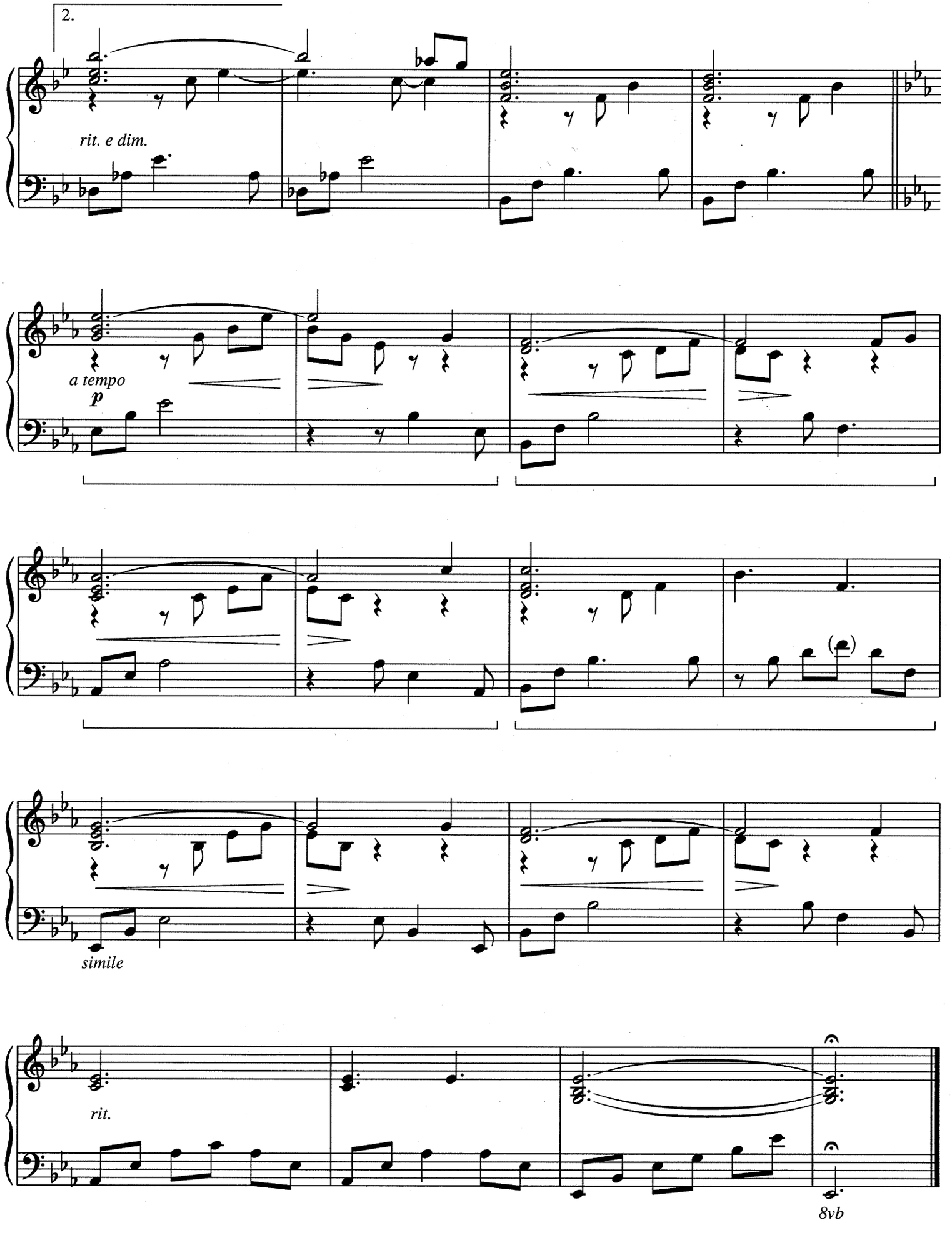
cresc.
f
mf
mf
8vb on repeats
loco


1.
cresc.
2.,3.
p
To Coda


D.S. al Coda
(no repeat)
cresc.
f
CODA
mf cresc.
f
poco rit.
p
a tempo
mf
p cresc.

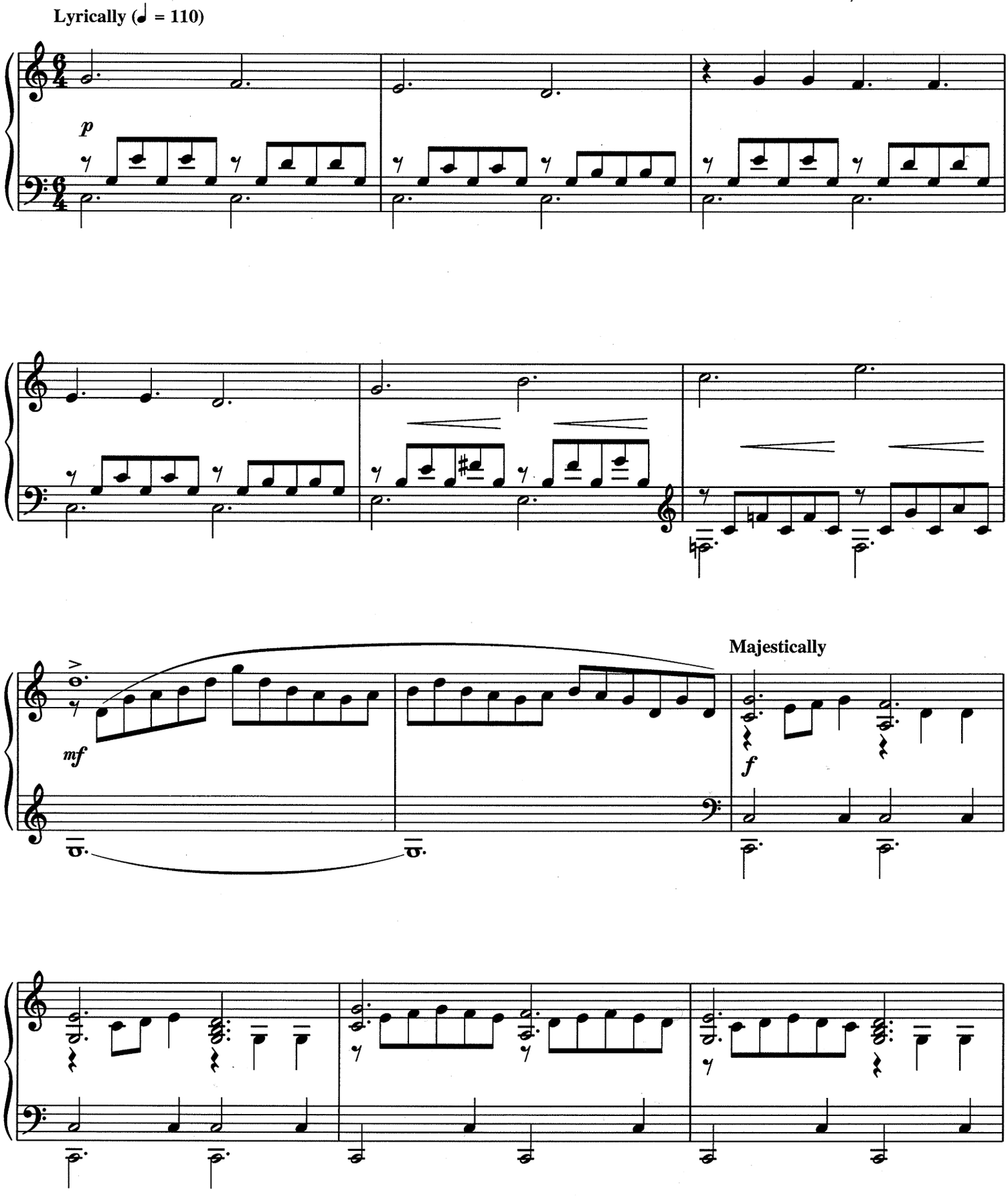

f
1.


2.
rit. e dim.
a tempo
p
simile
rit.
8vb

SHE SAID YES

A prince, a princess, and a real fairytale

By SUZANNE CIANI



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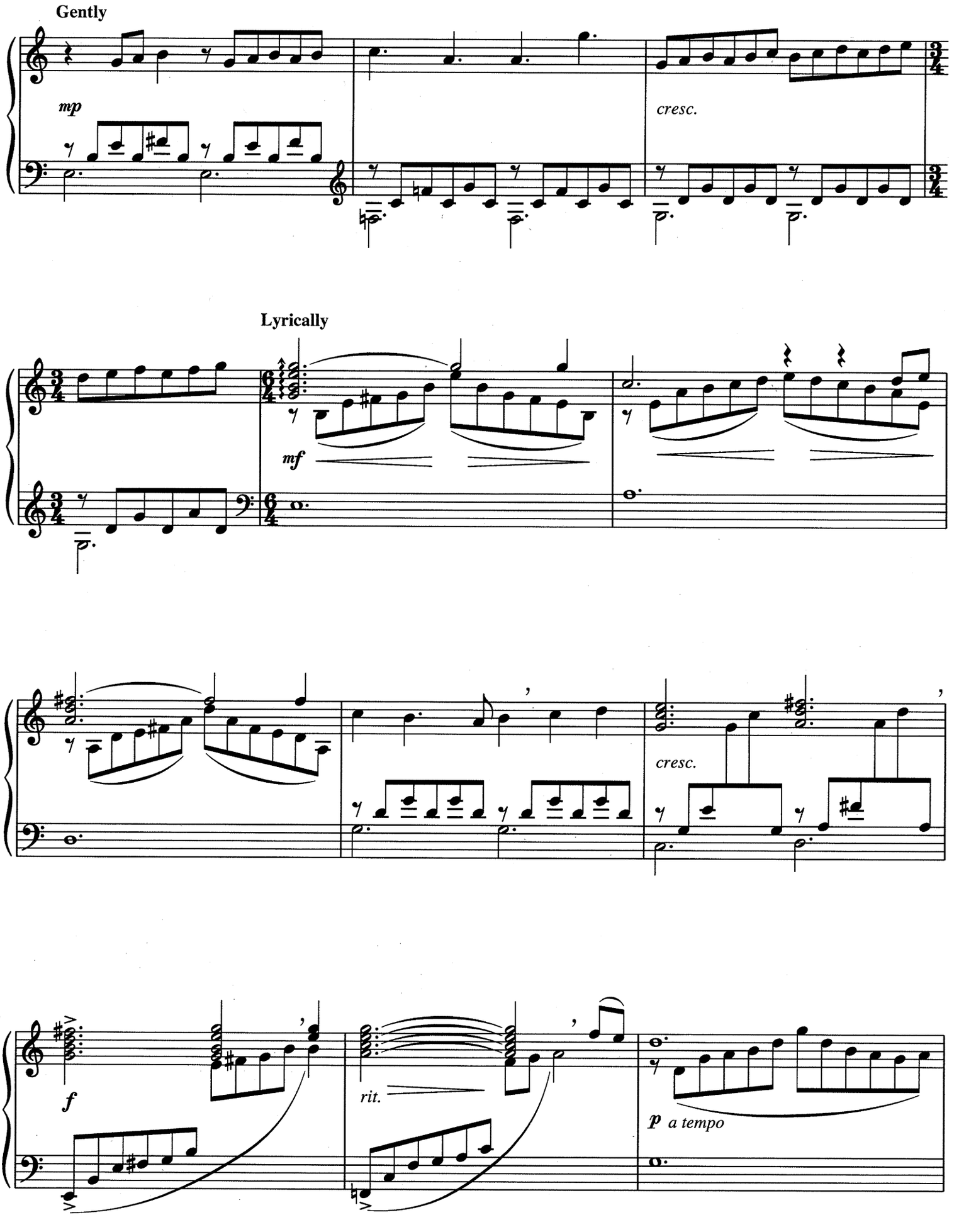
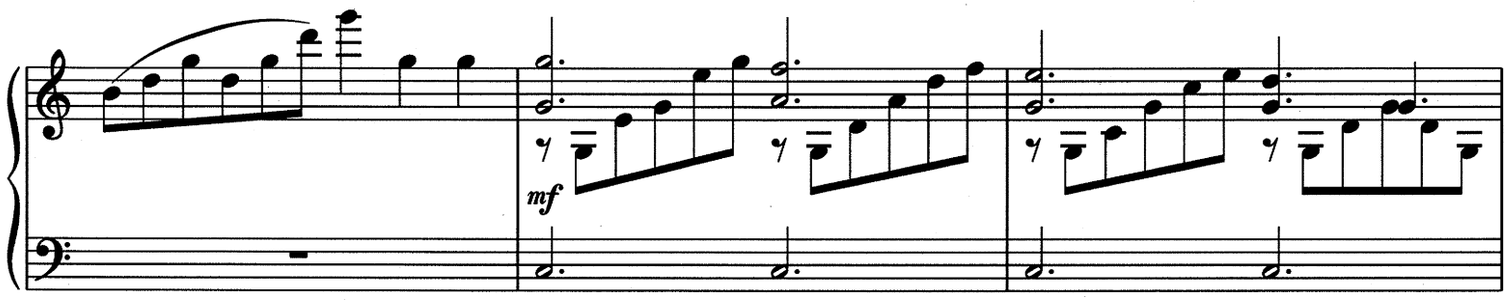
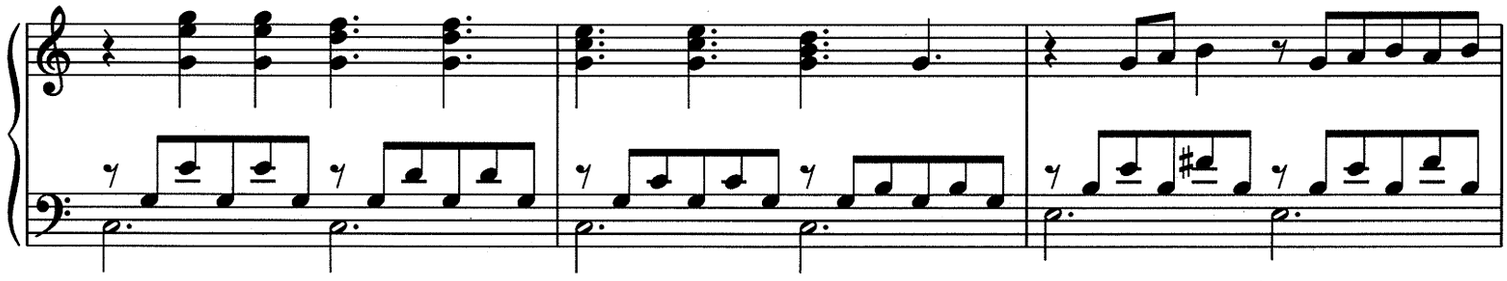
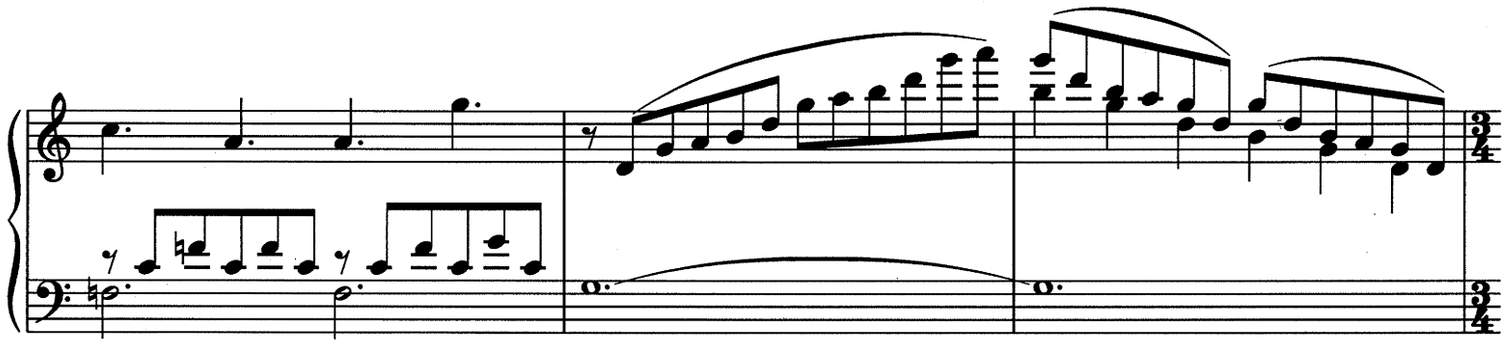

Gently
mp
cresc.
Lyrically
mf
cresc.
f
rit.
p a tempo







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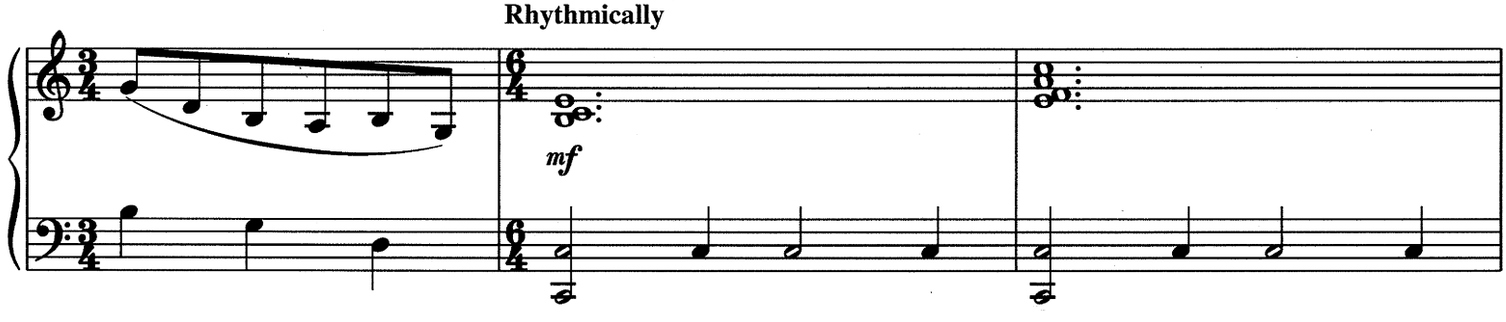

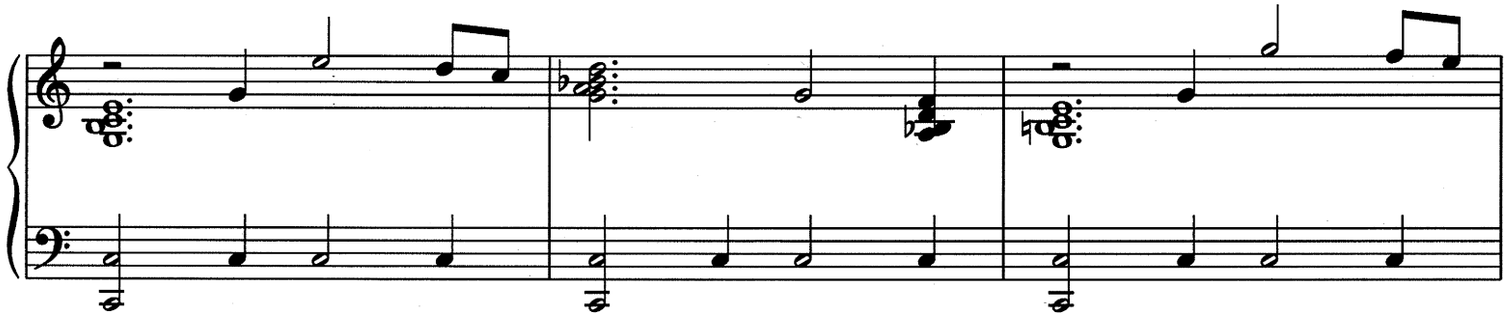

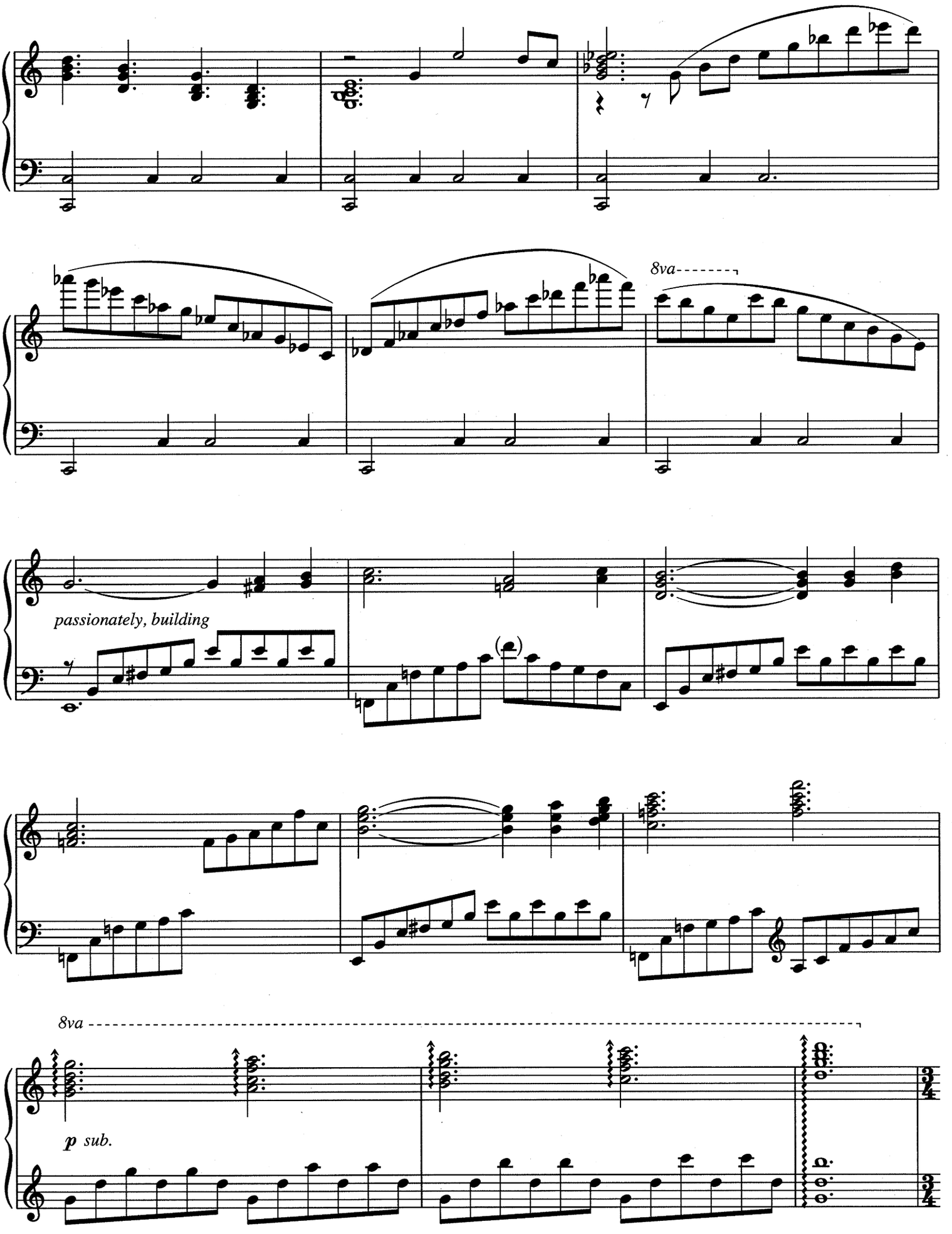
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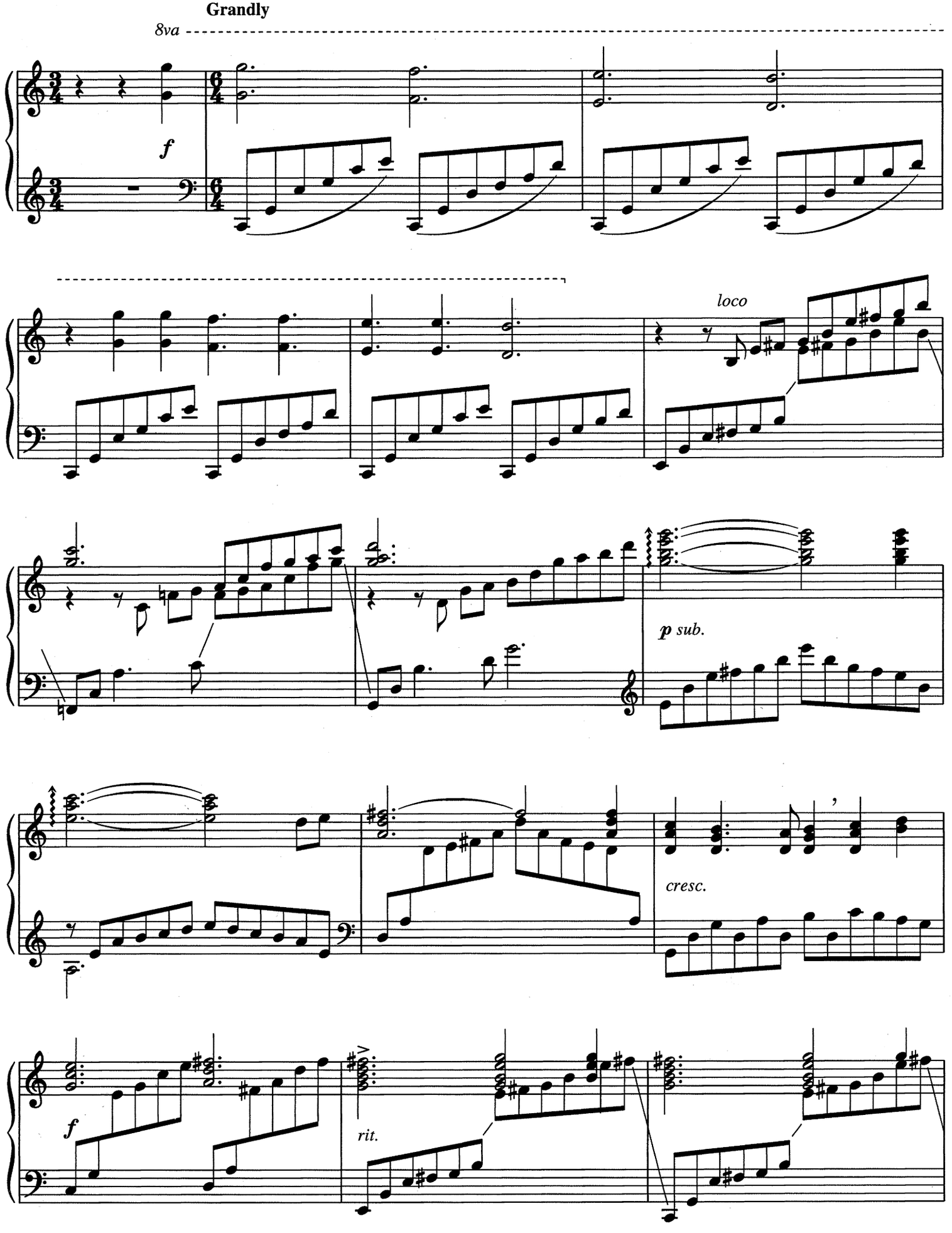
8va
p sub.


Grandly
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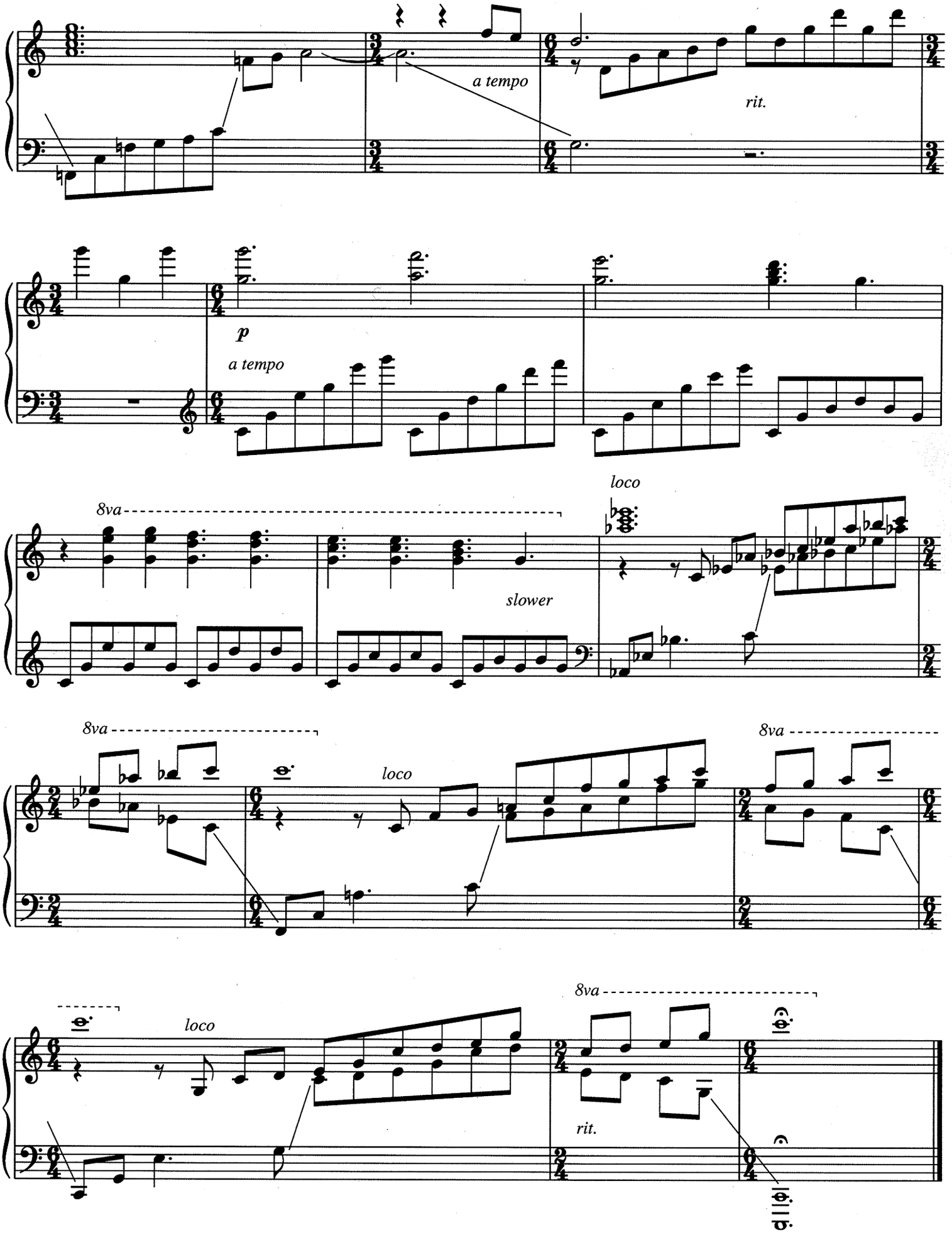
p sub.
cresc.
f
rit.


a tempo
rit.
p
a tempo
8va
loco
slower
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loco
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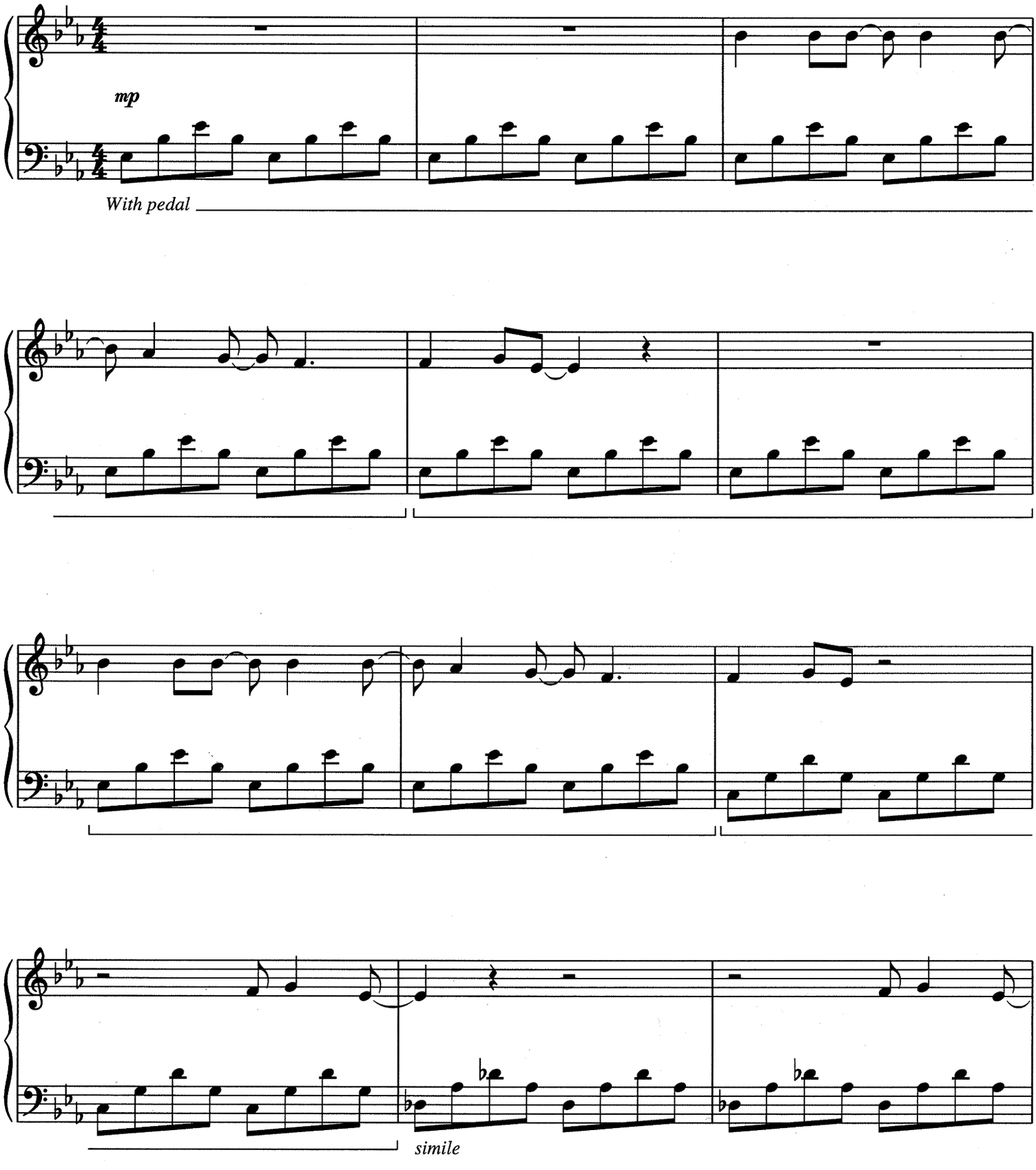
rit.

SIMPLE SONG

OK. So it's not really so simple!

By SUZANNE CIANI

Playfully (♩ = 148)



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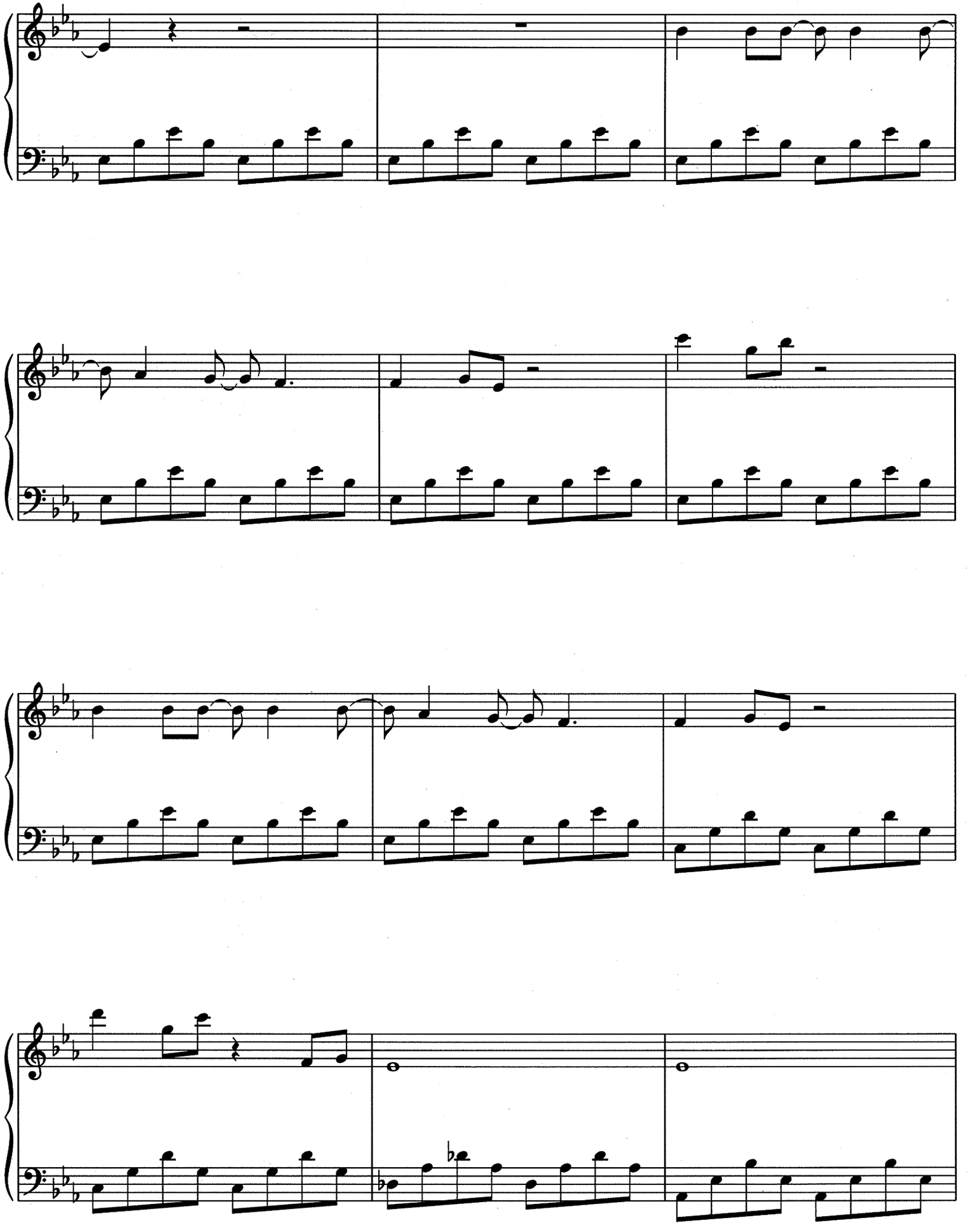

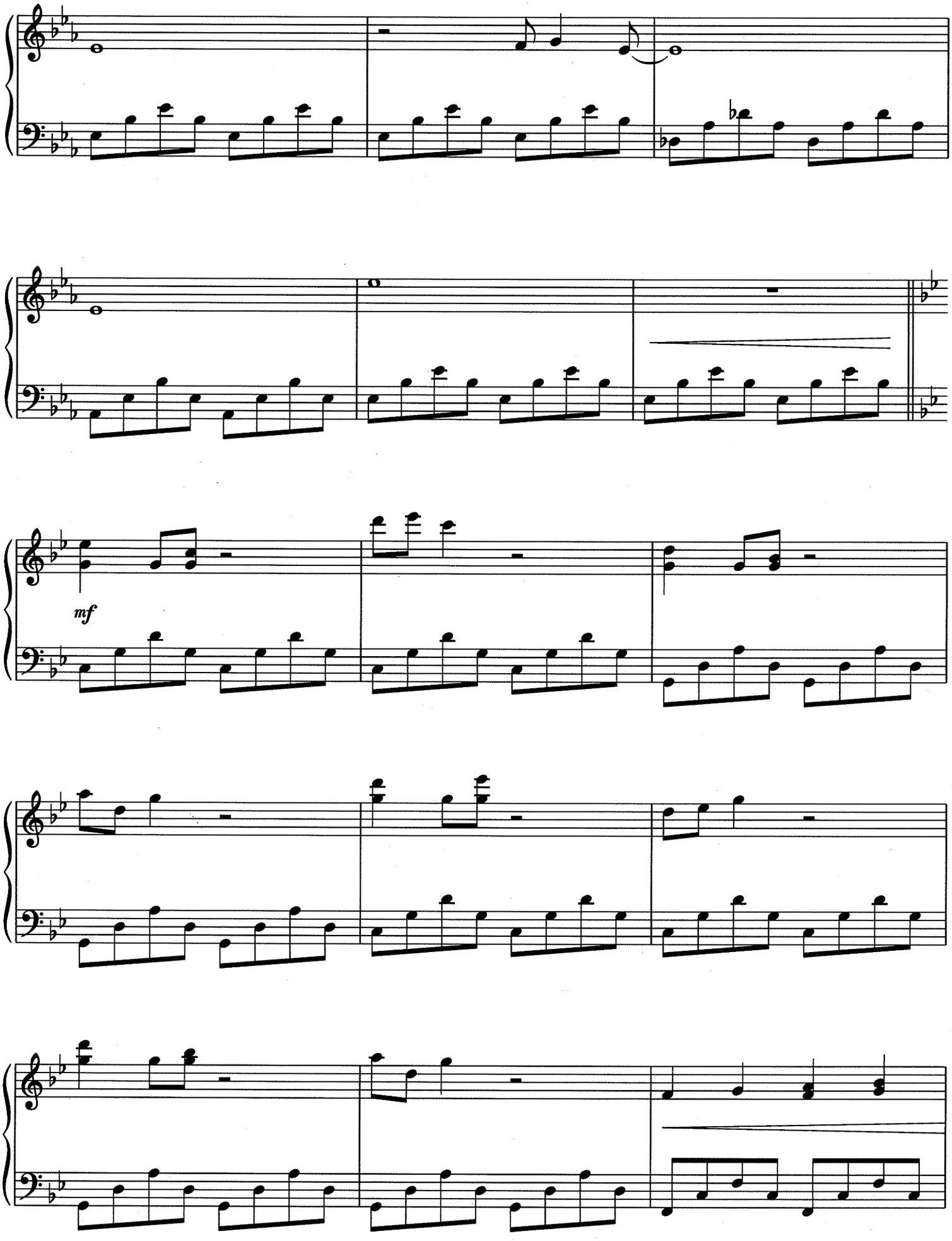
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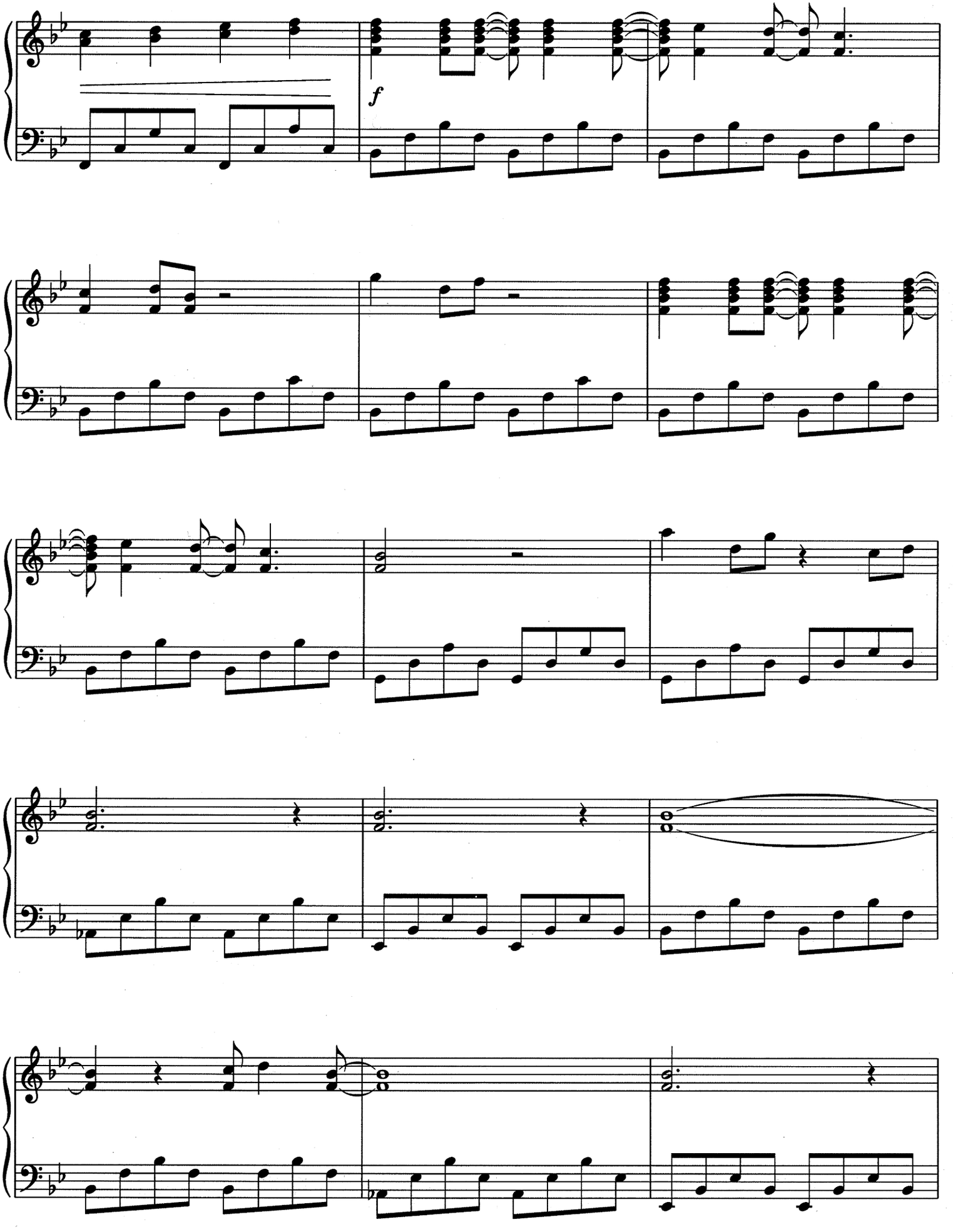
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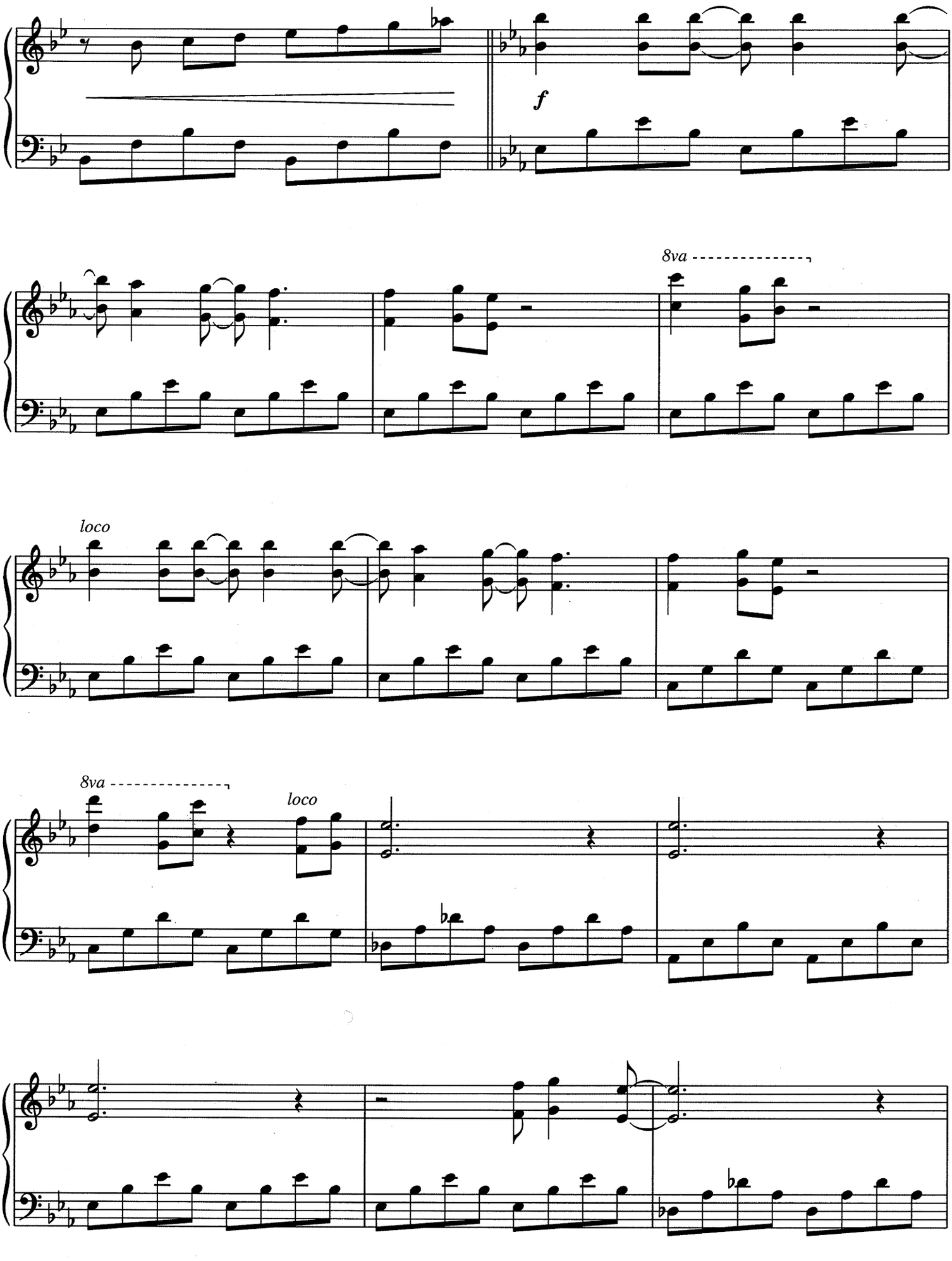
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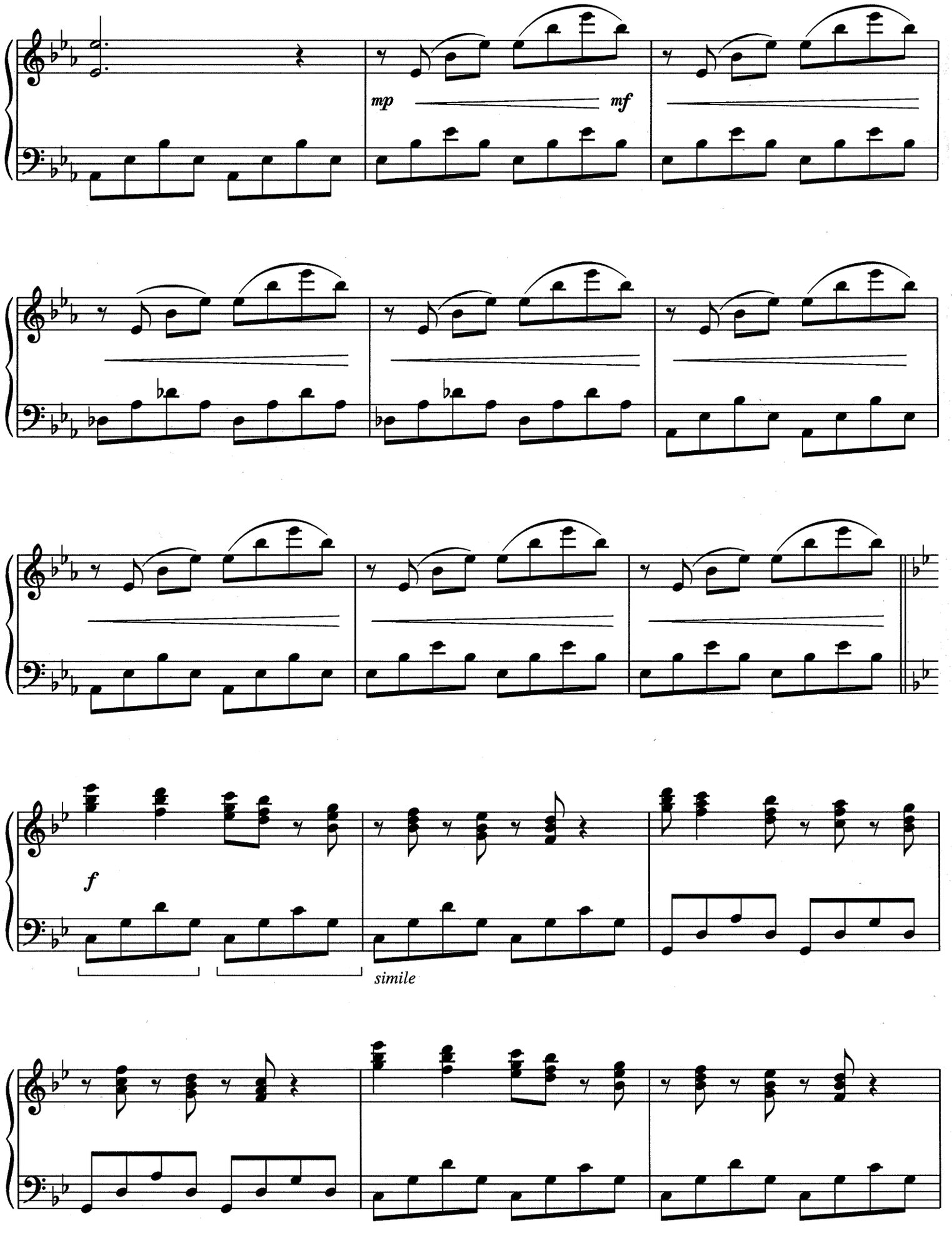
loco
8va
loco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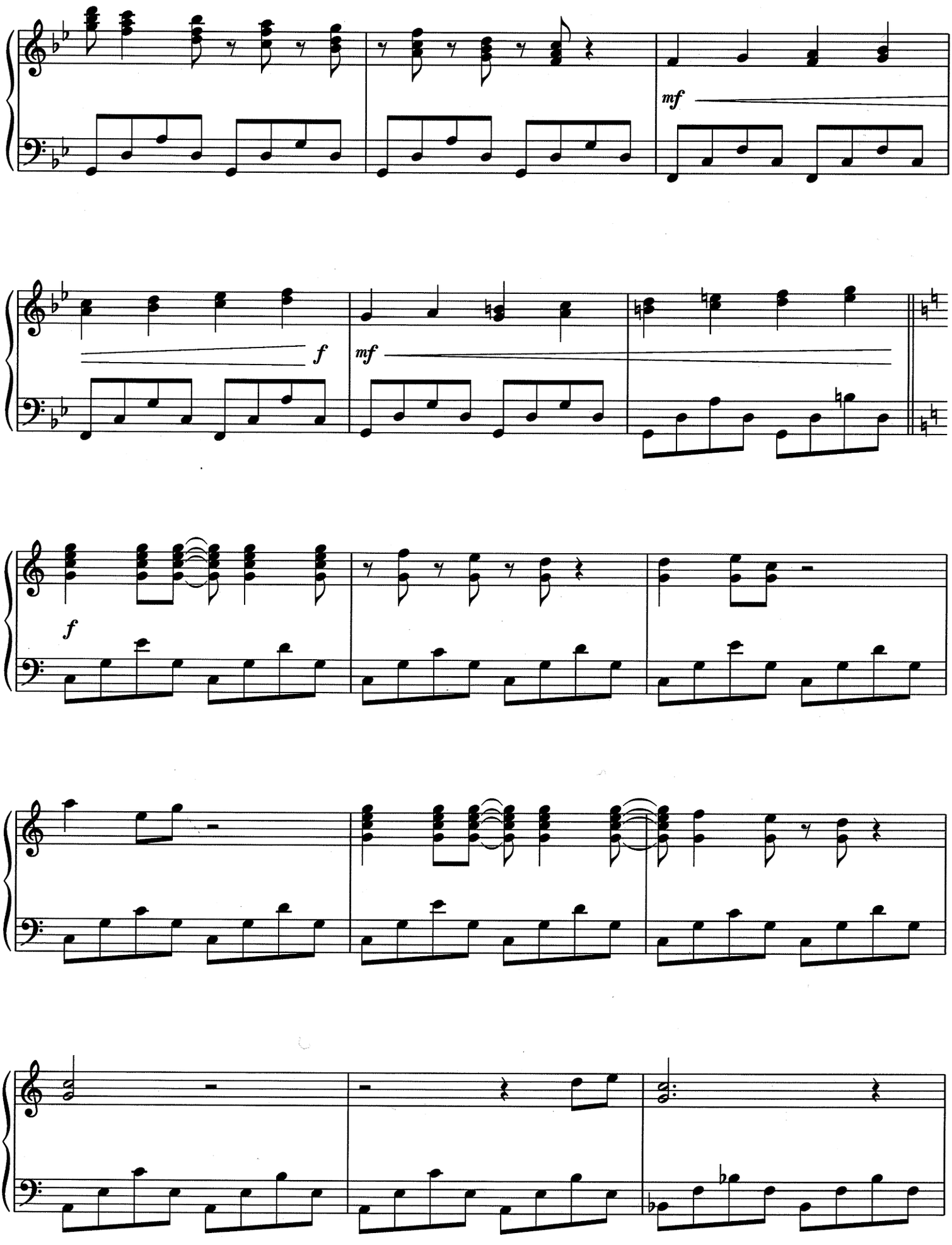
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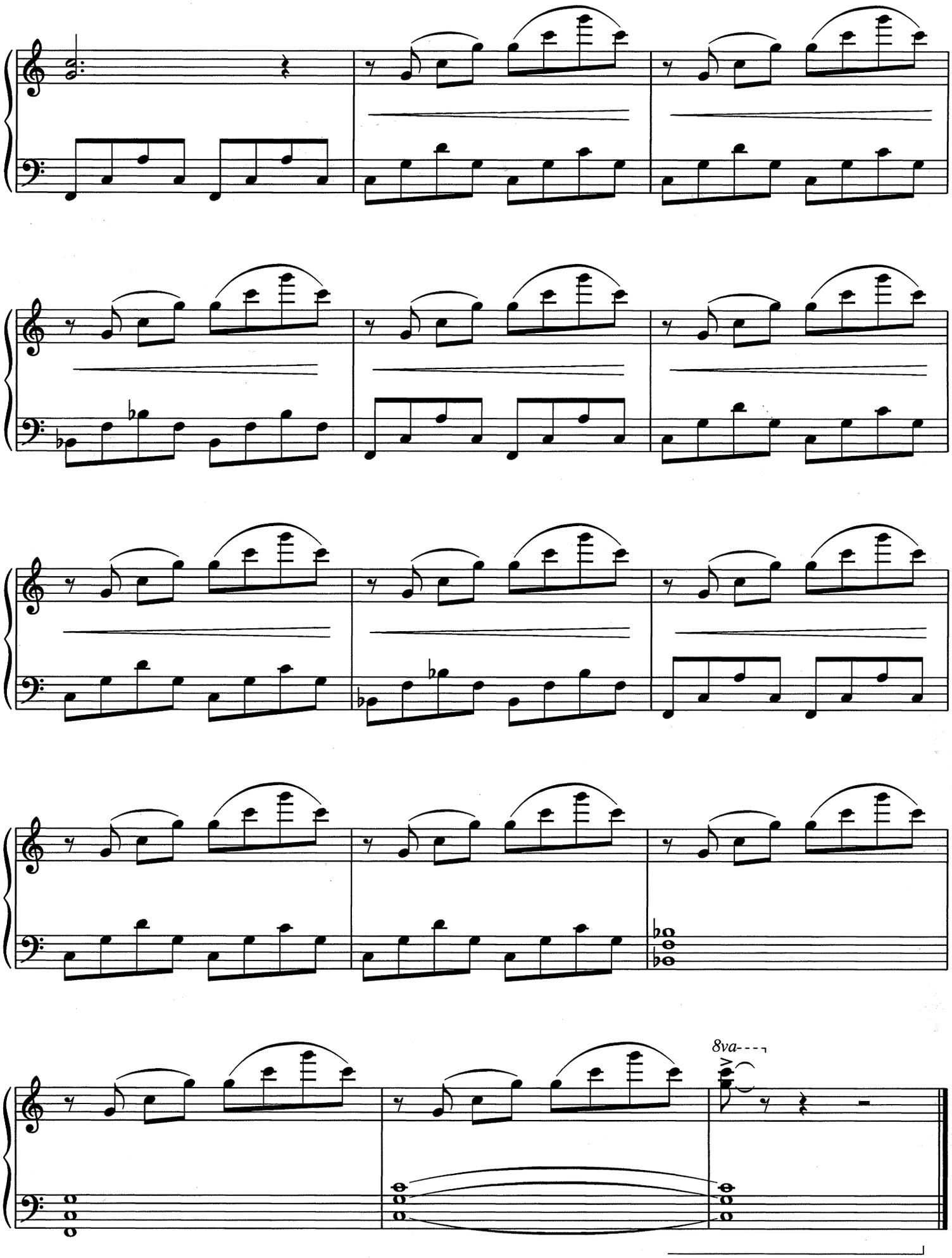
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'TIL TIME AND TIMES ARE DONE

"... and pluck 'til time and times are done
the silver apples of the moon
the golden apples of the sun." W.B. Yeats

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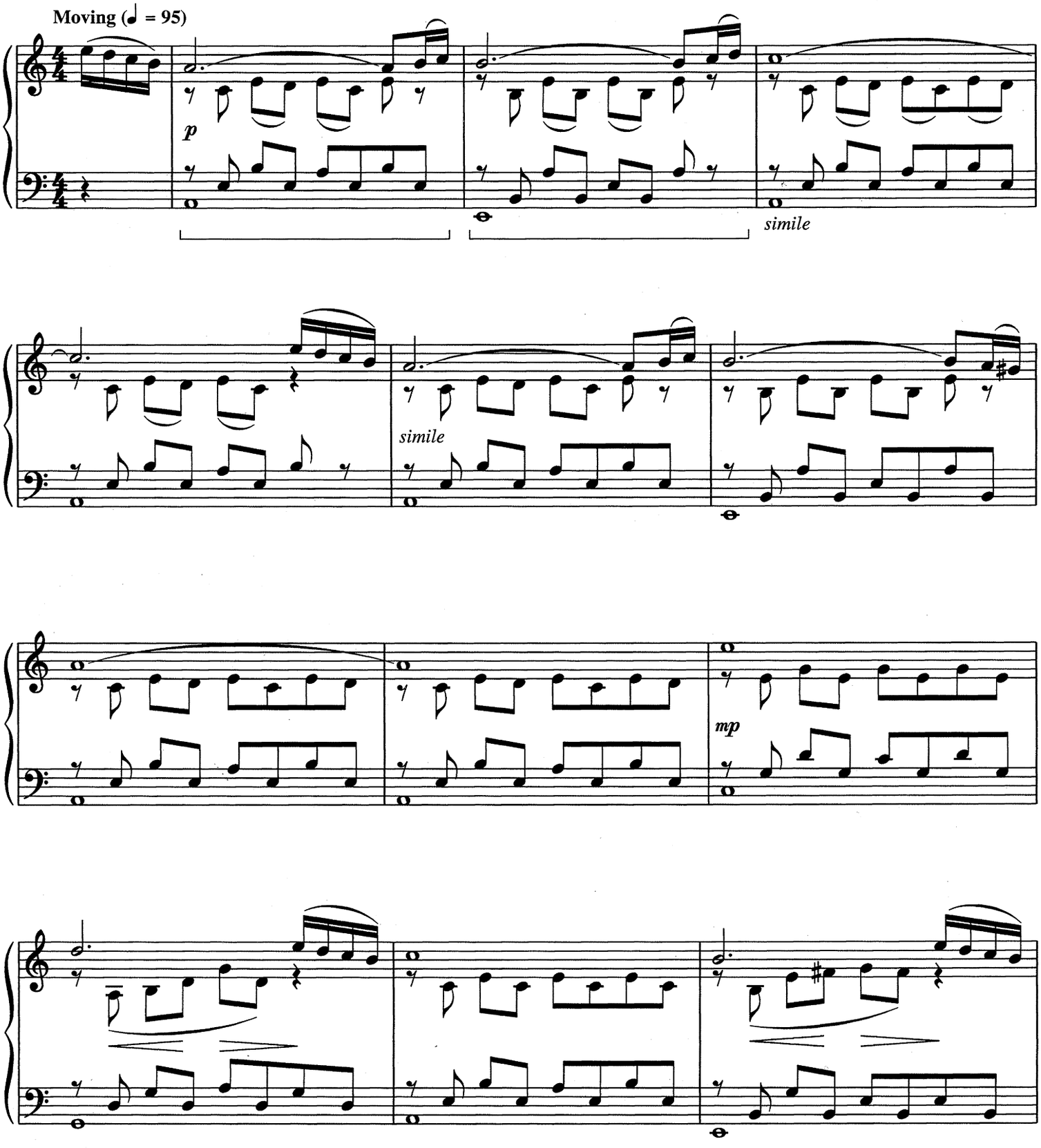

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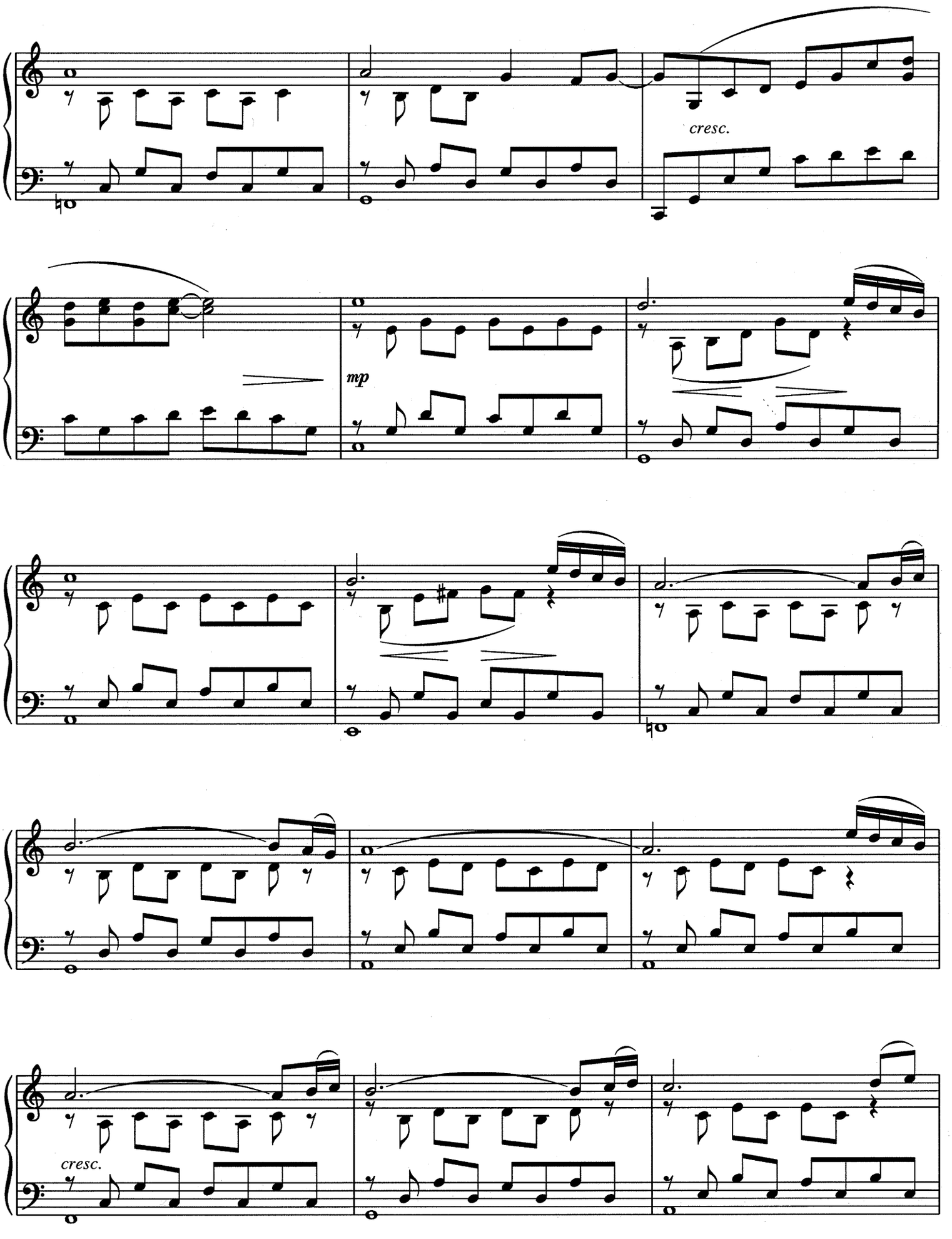
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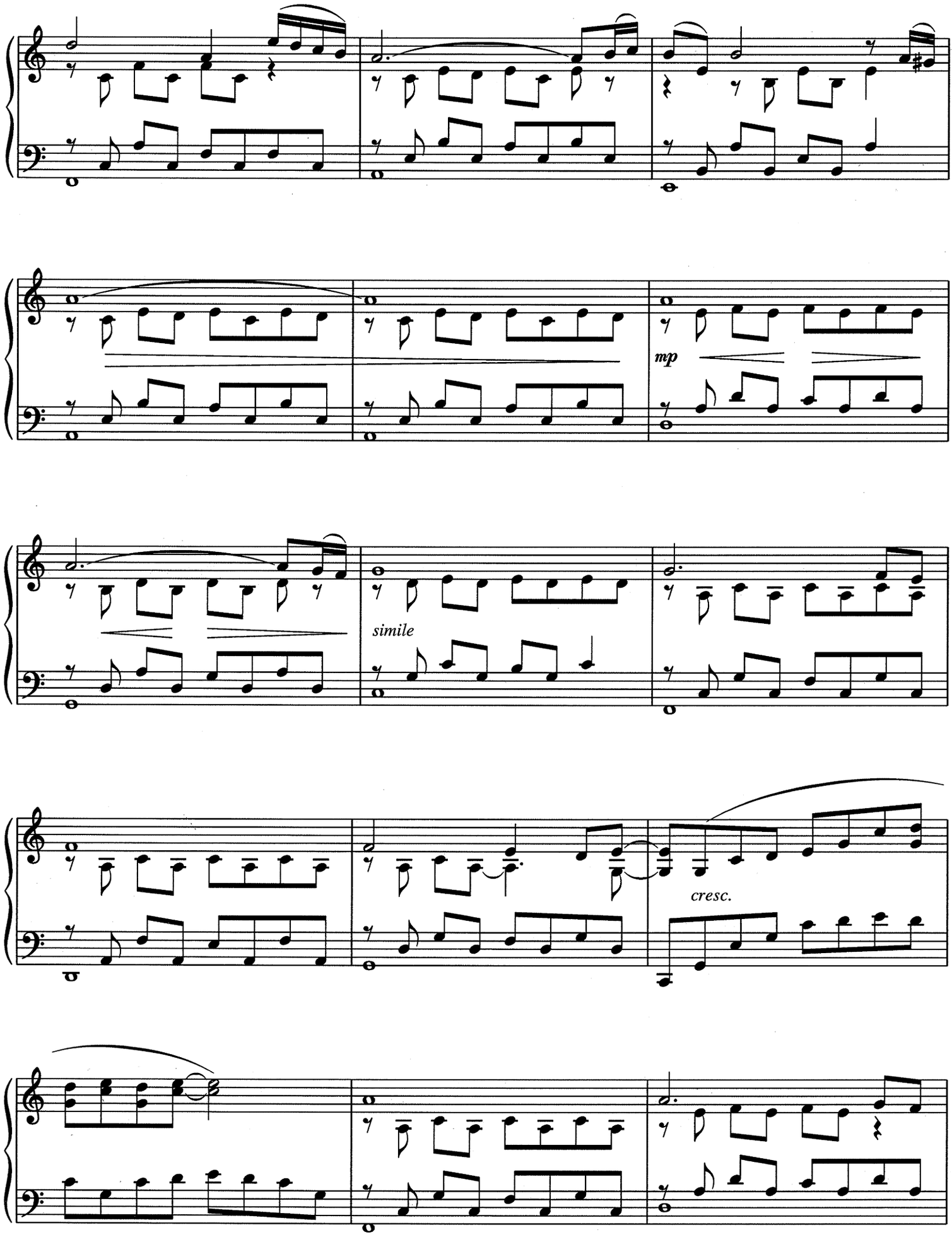
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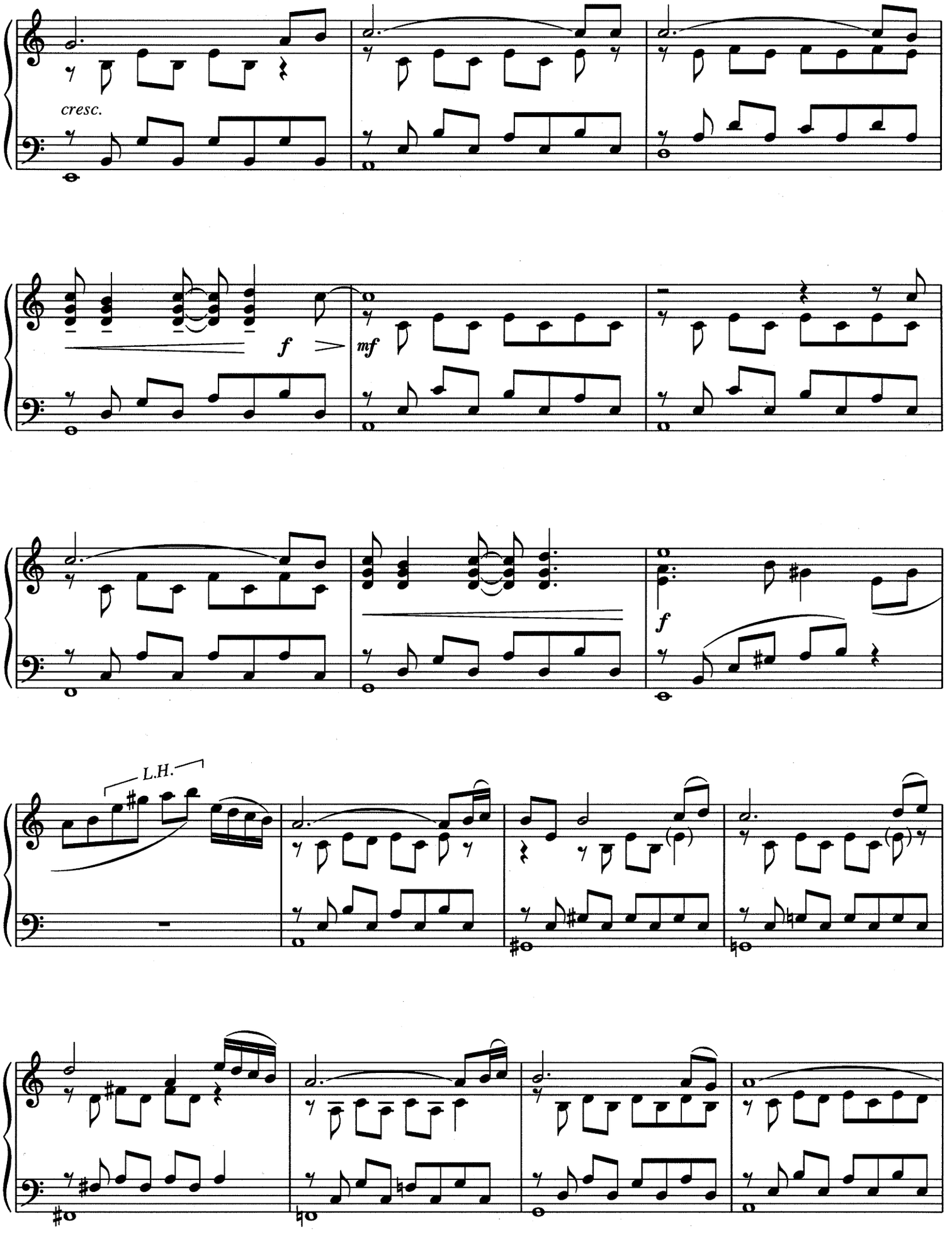
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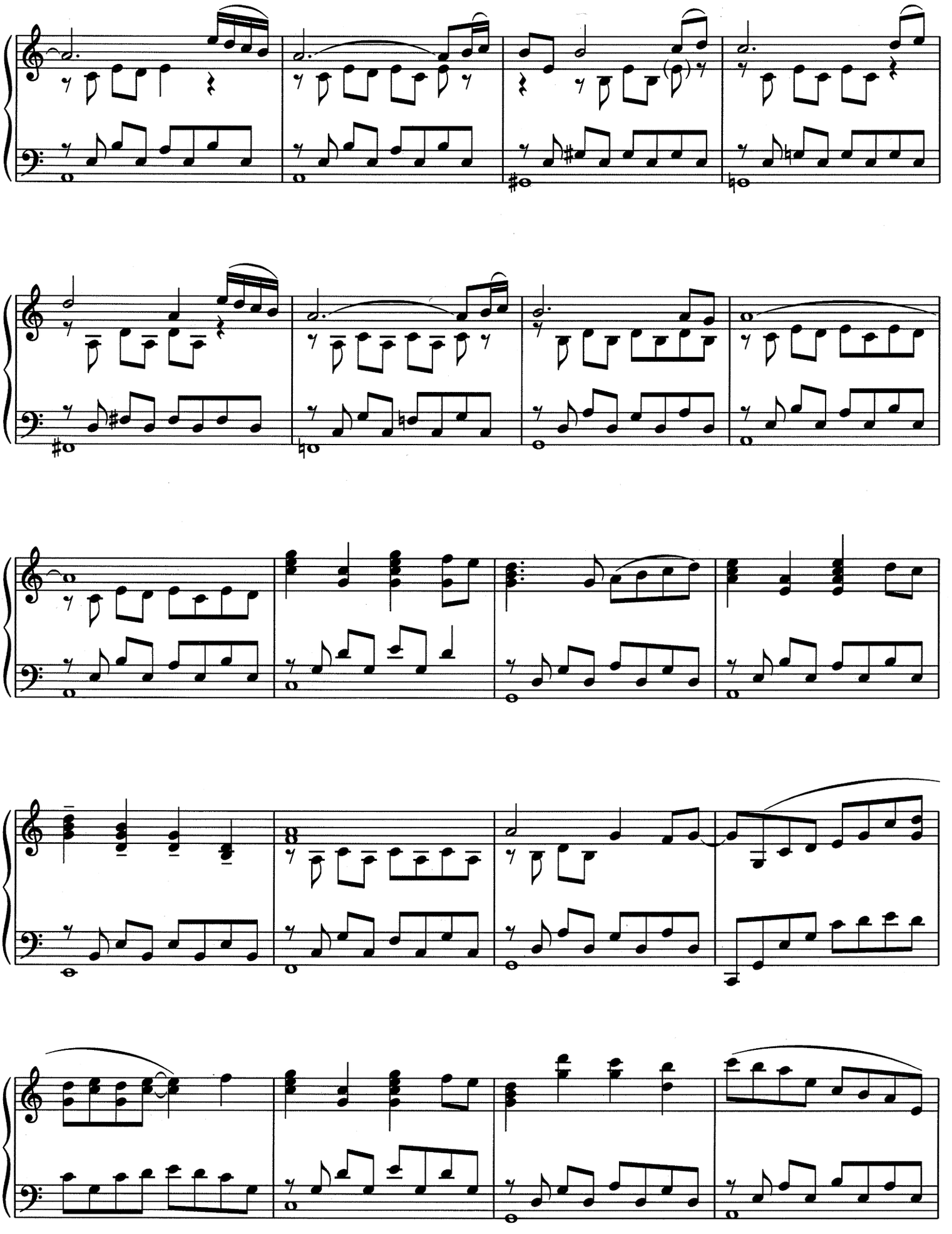

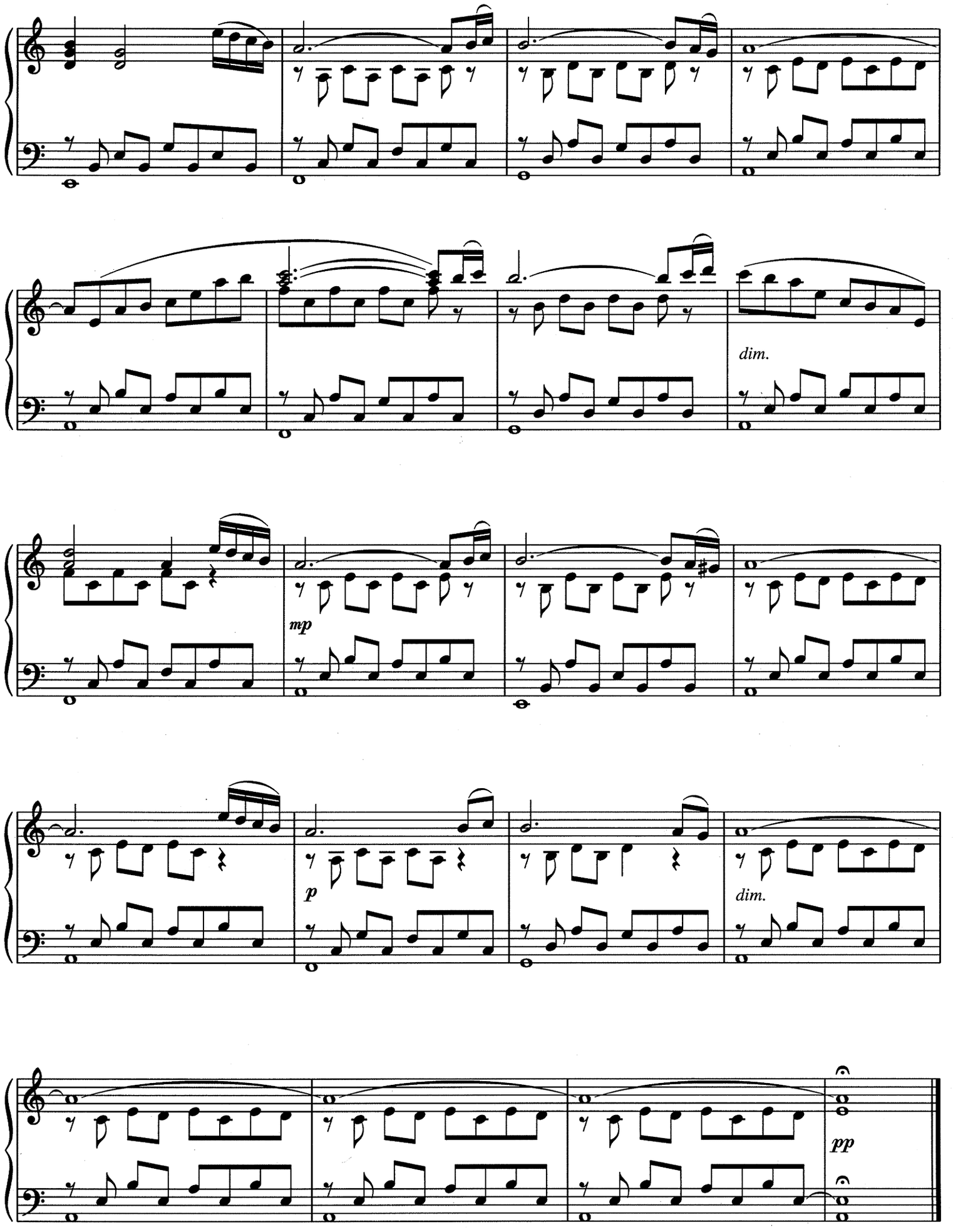
dim.
mp
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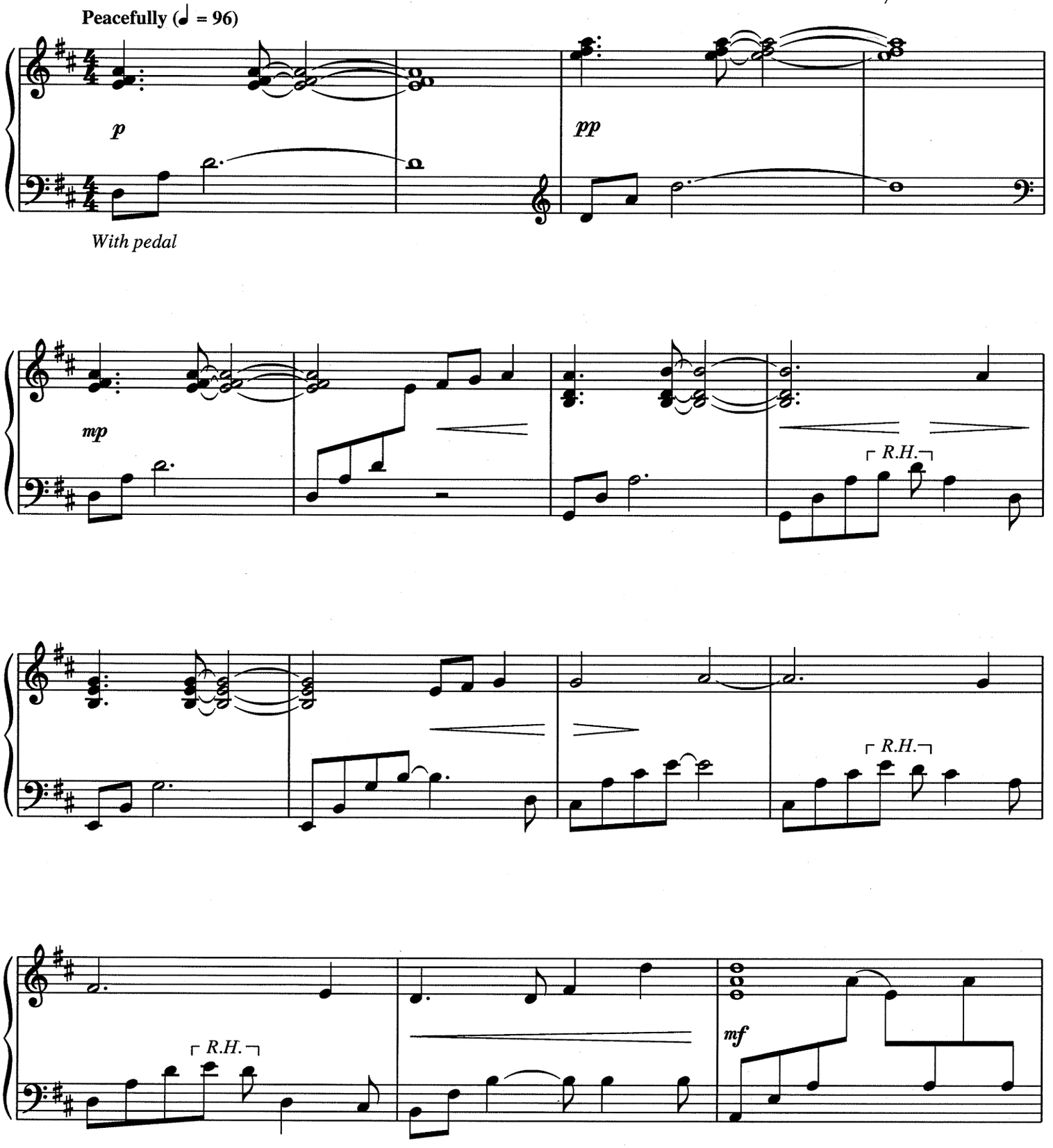
pp

TIME STOPS

for Joe
Have you ever felt time stop?
Have you ever been in love?

By SUZANNE CIANI



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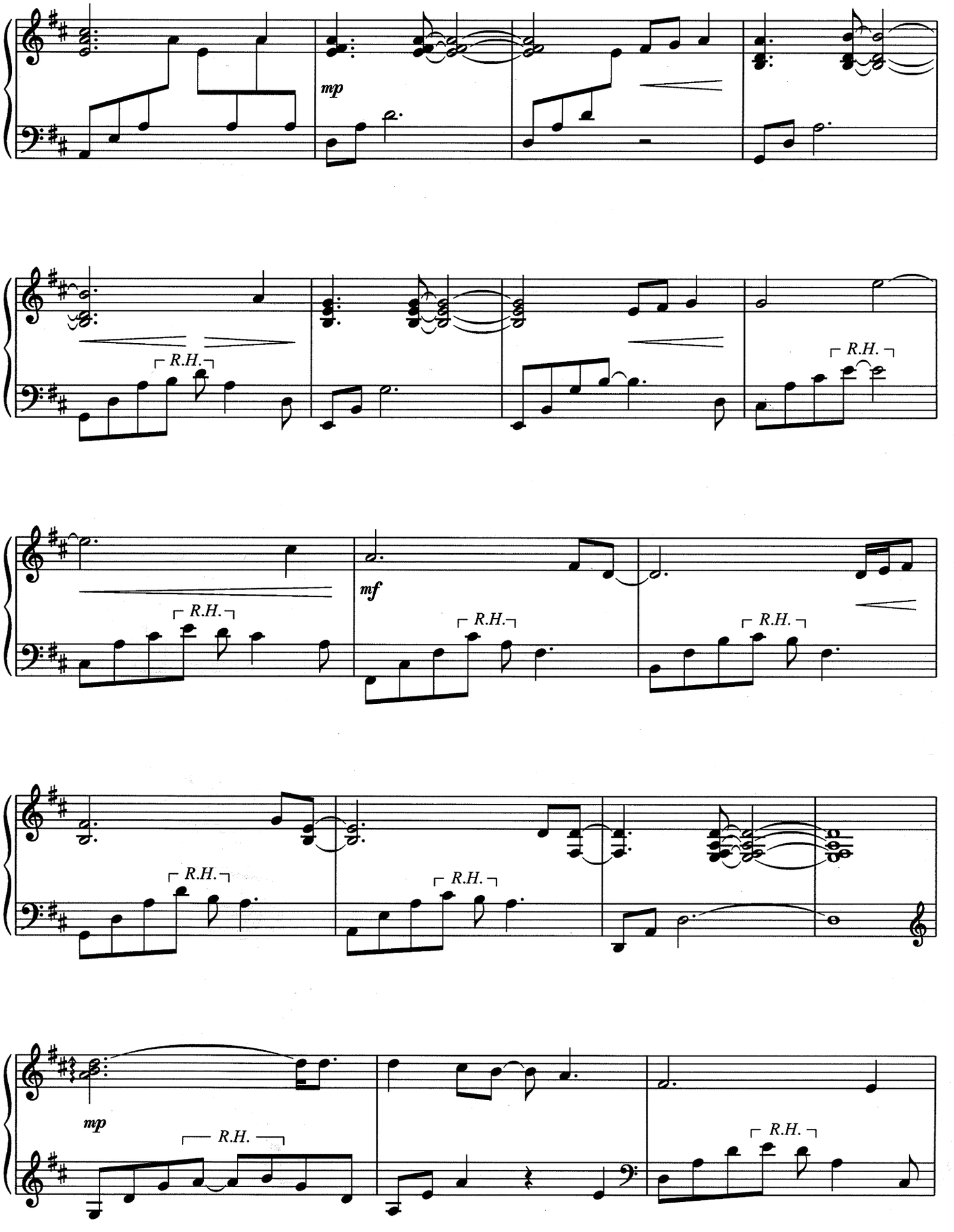
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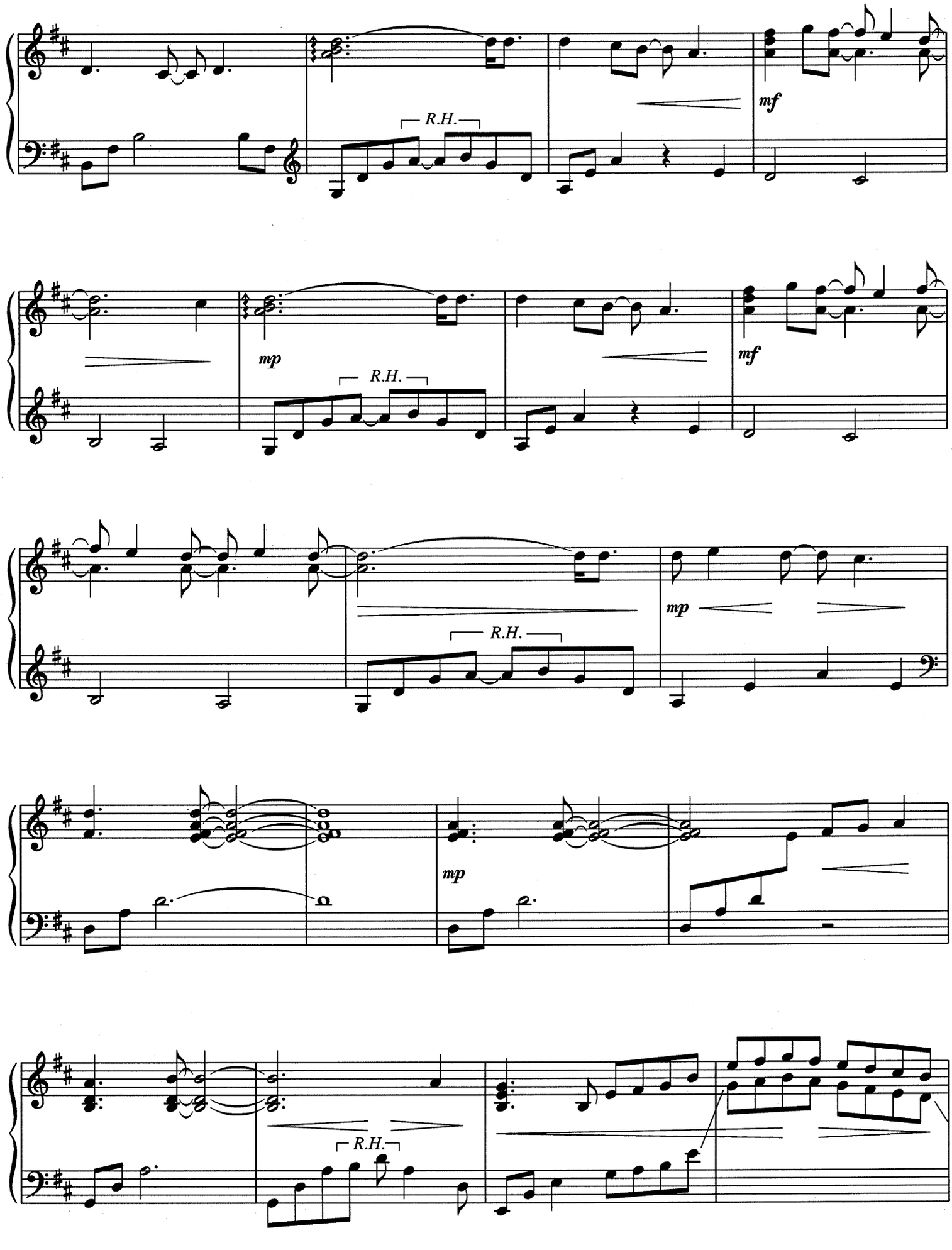
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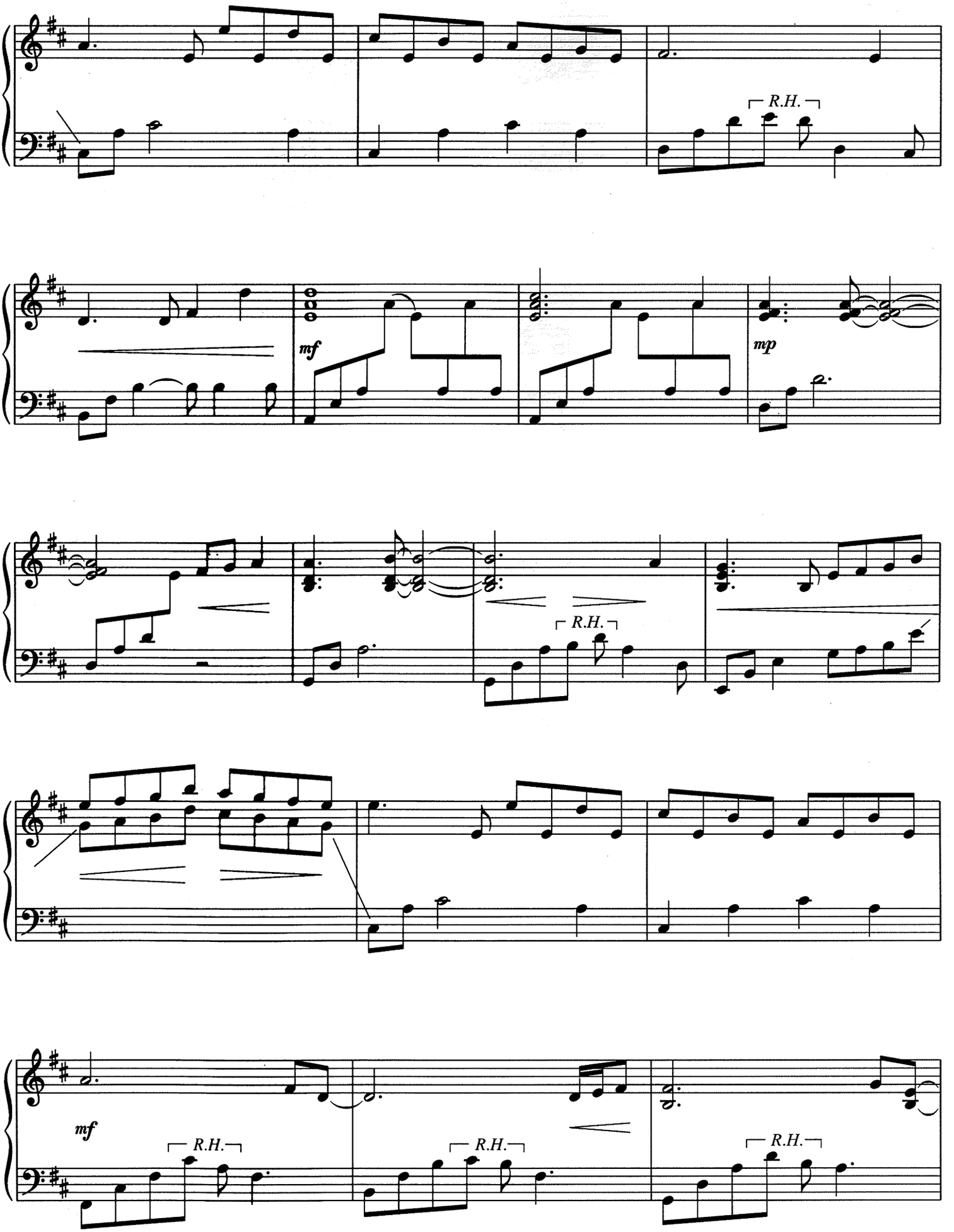
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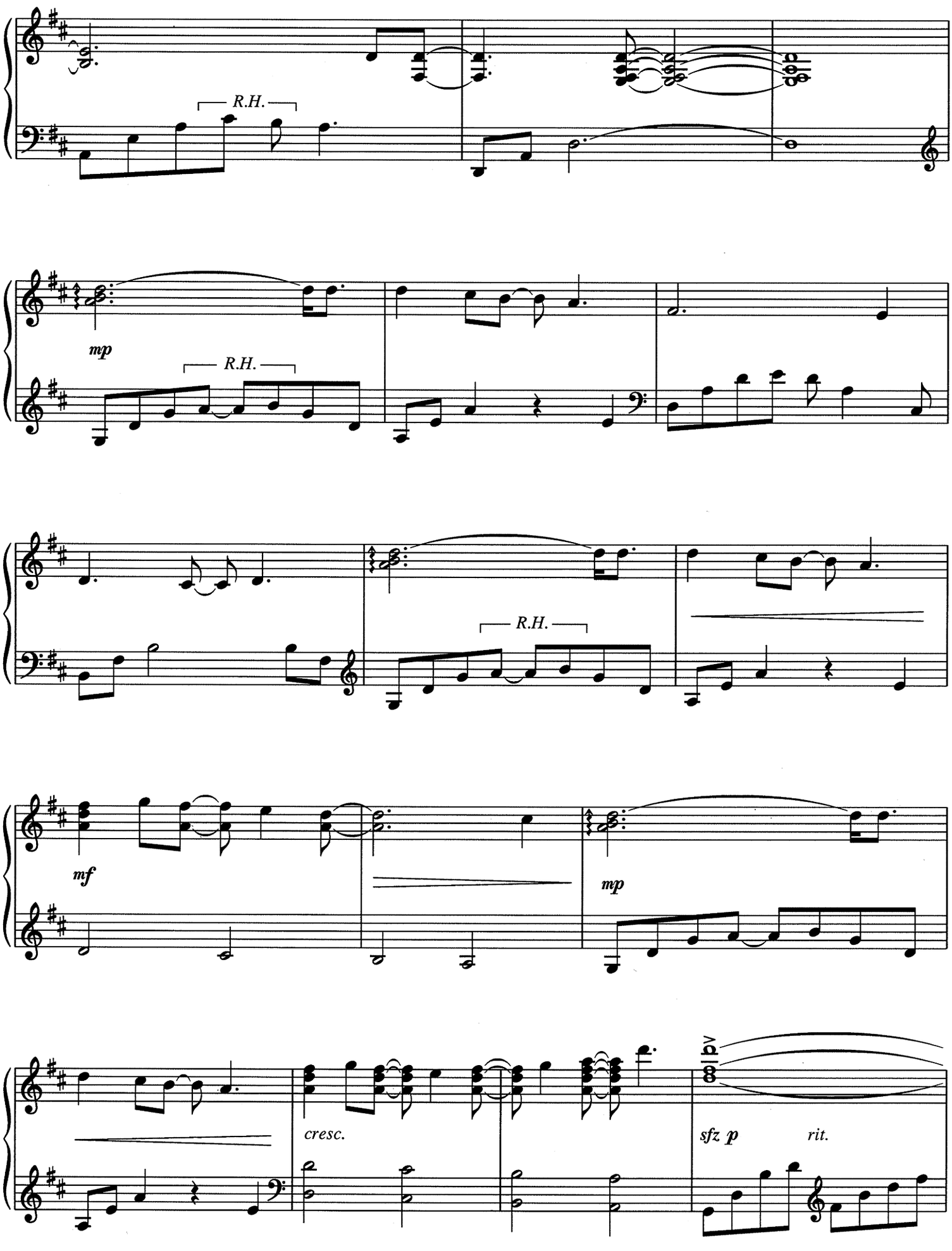
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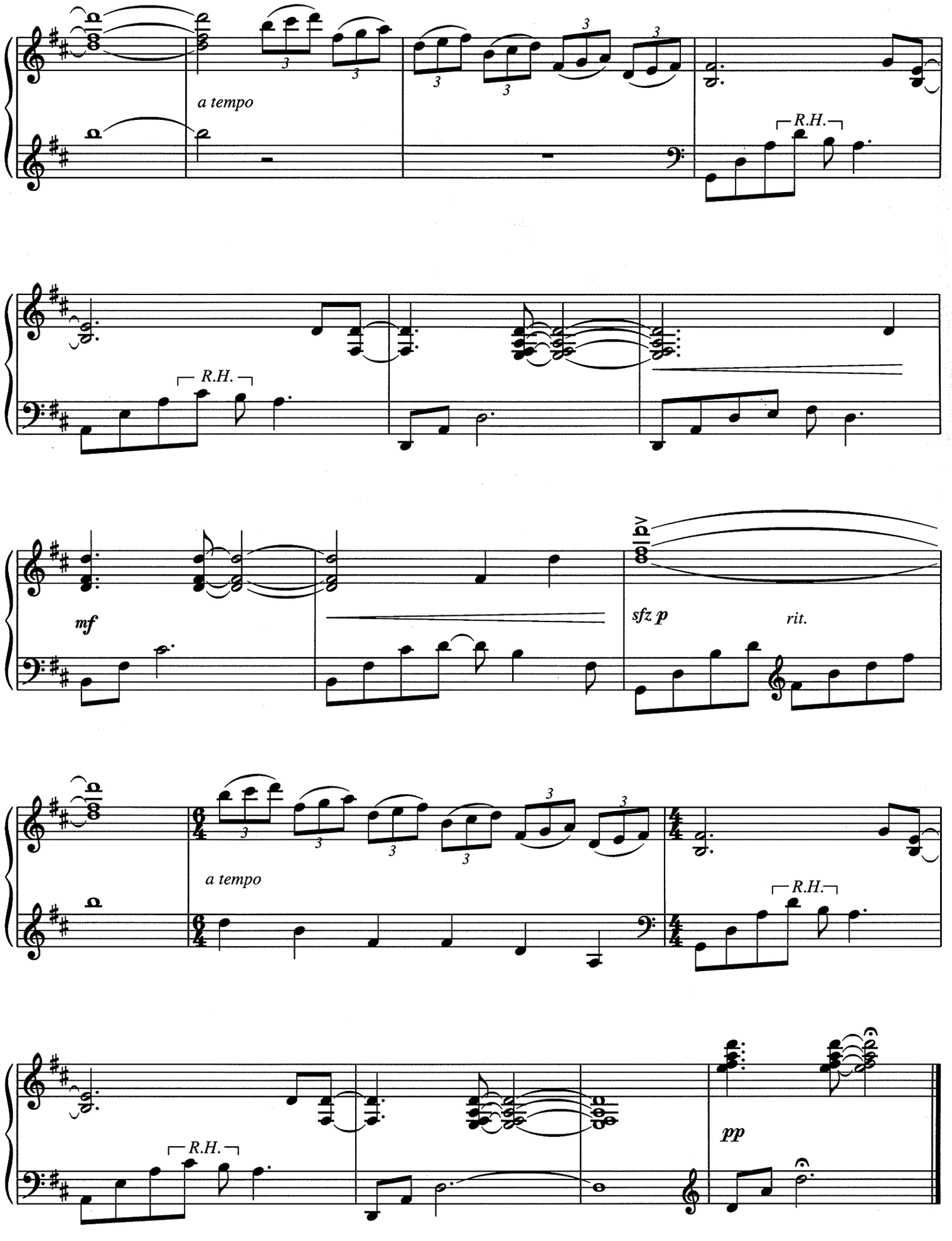
a tempo
R.H.
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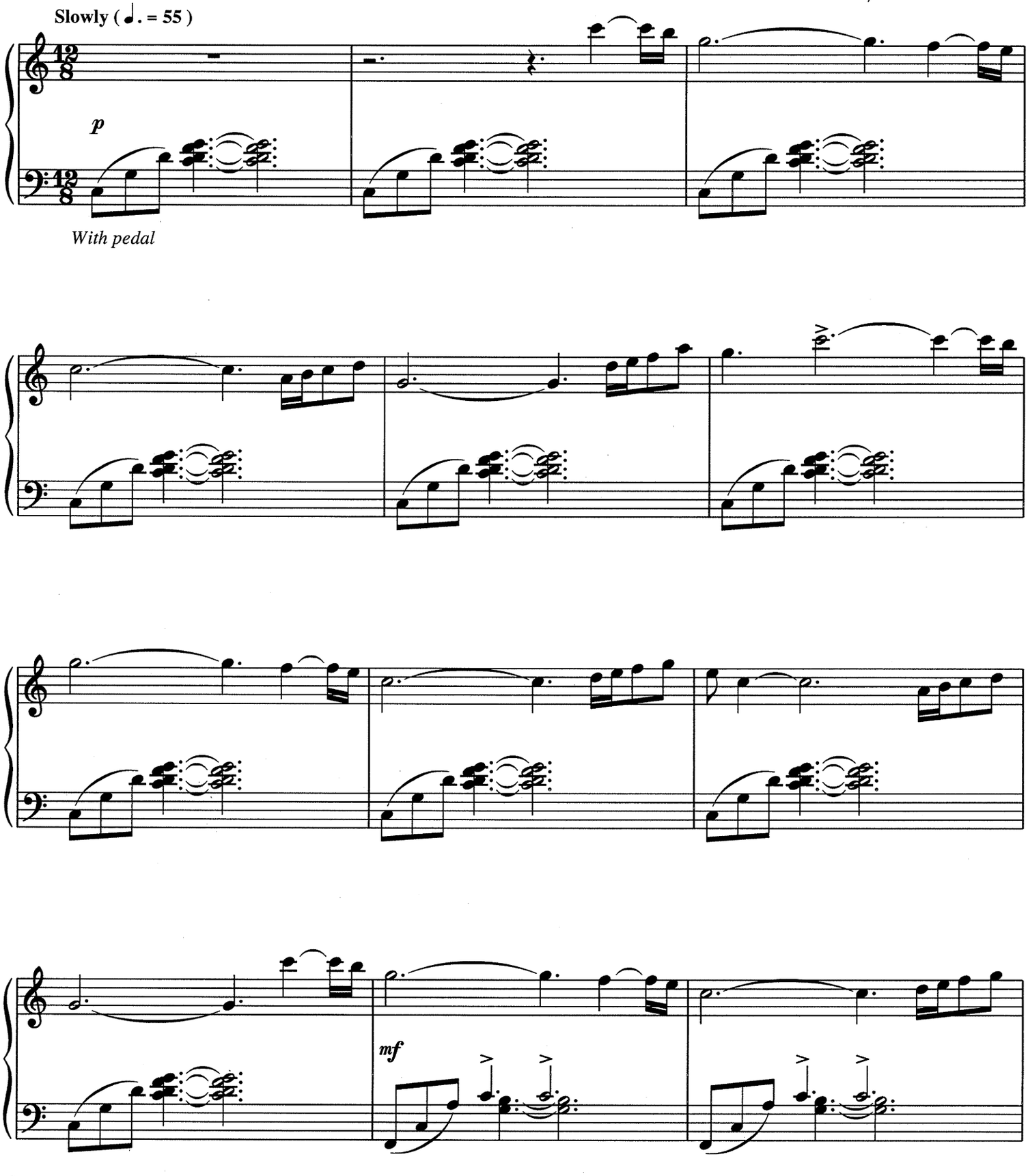
BERCEUSE

In memory of my dear cousin Amy

By SUZANNE CIANI



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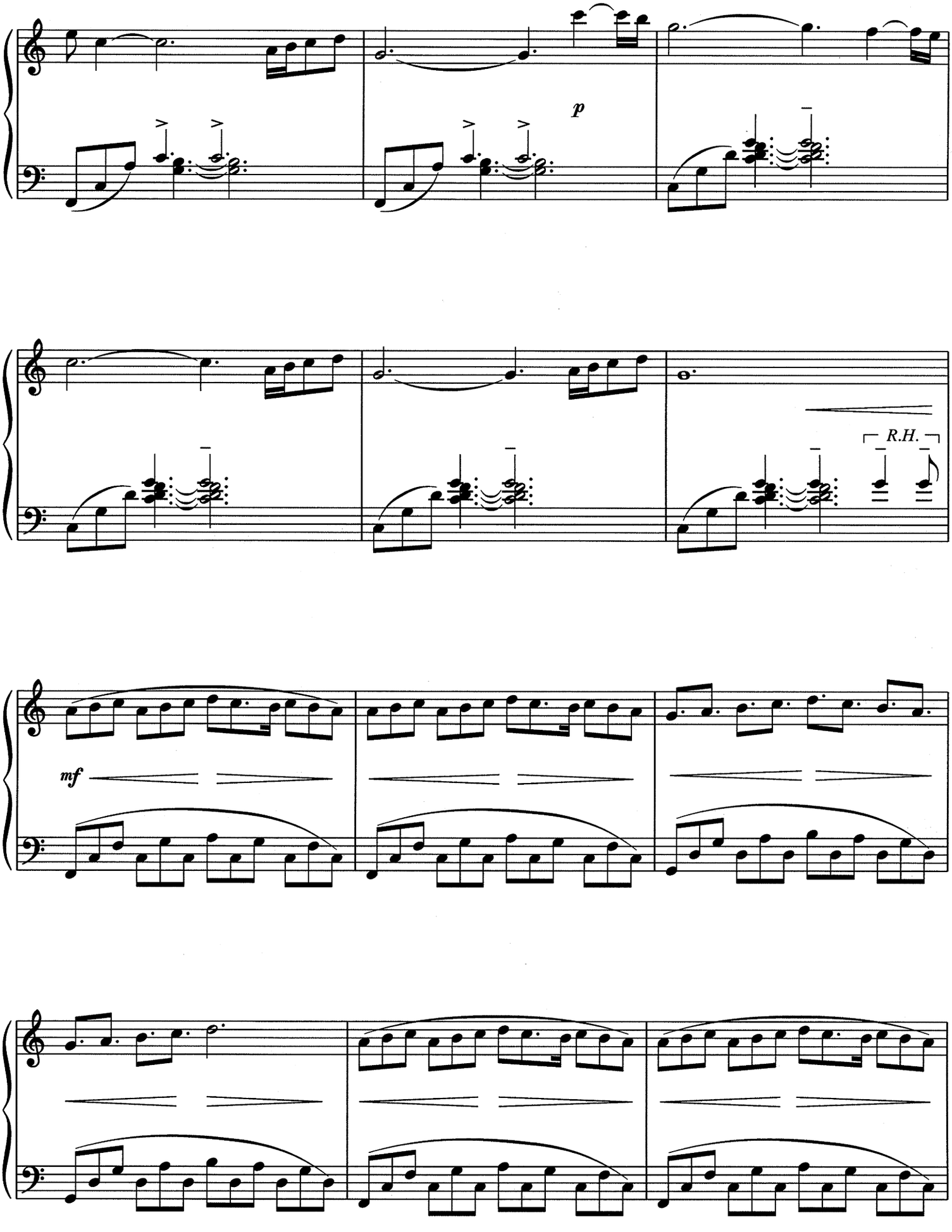
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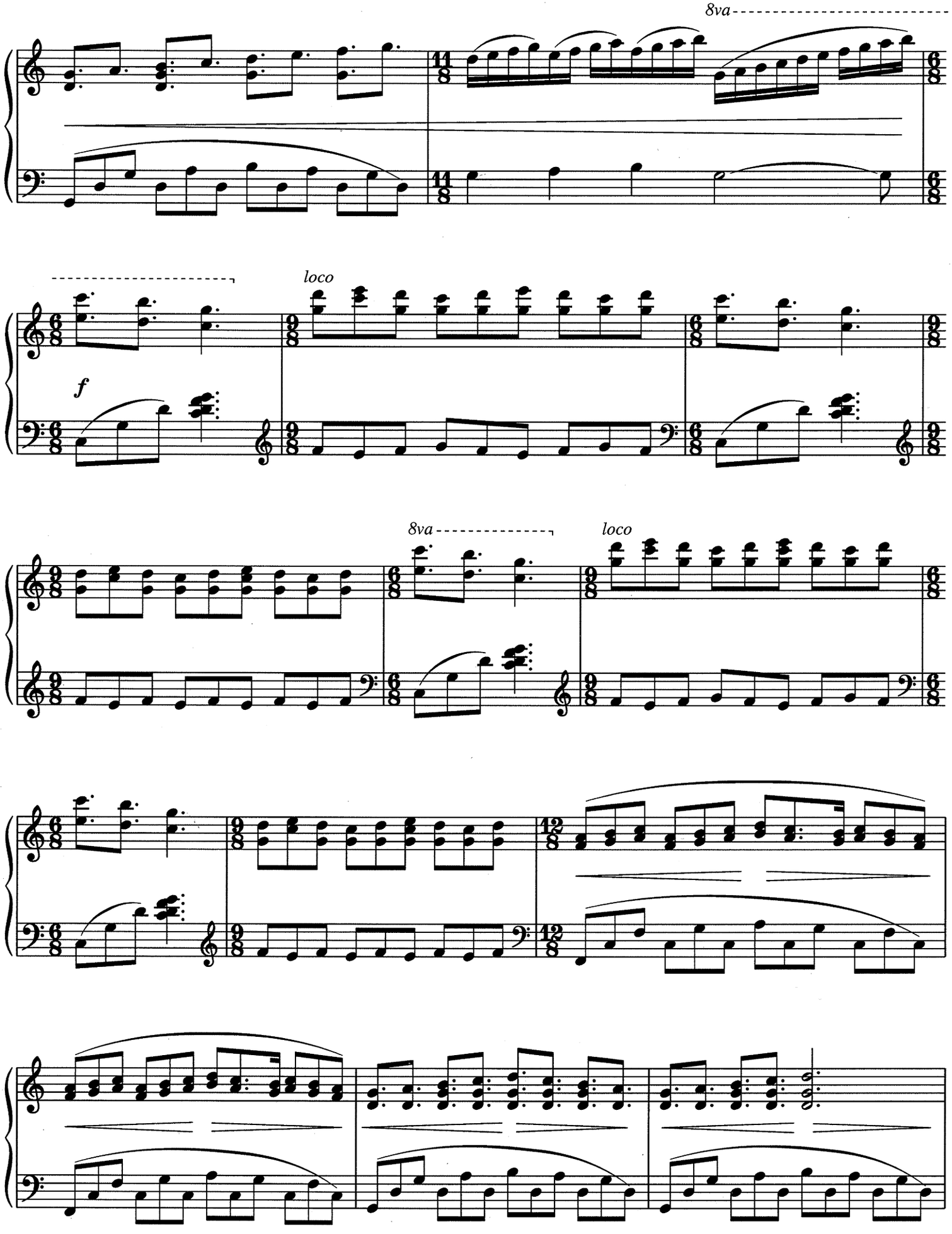
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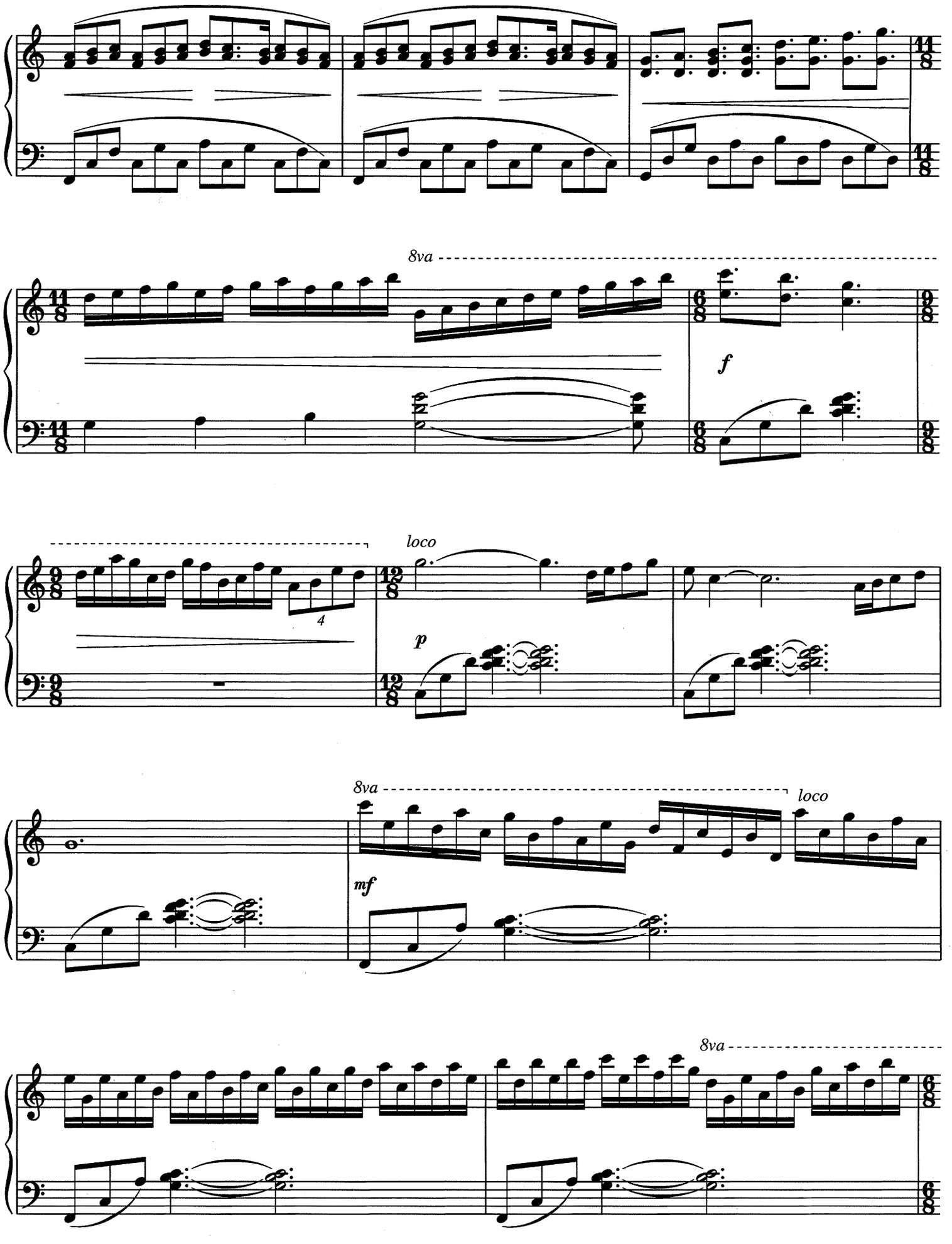
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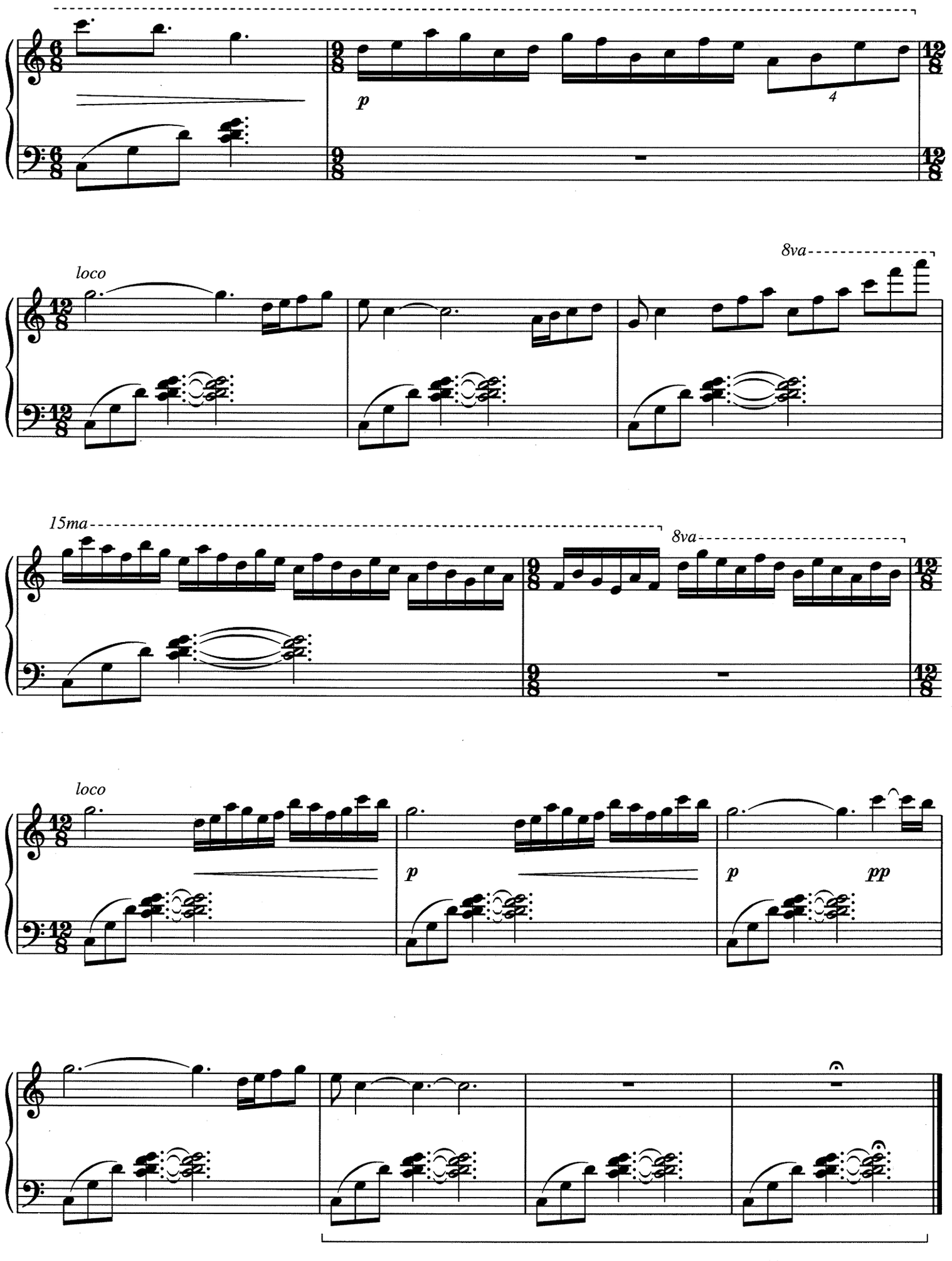
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PIANO SOLOS

Suzanne Ciani

Dream Songs

Andalusian Dream 4

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