Charles Edward Ives was born October 20, 1874 in Danbury, Conn. He received his early musical education from his father and later studied under Horatio W. Parker at Yale University, from where he graduated in 1898. Already in his youth he manifested the originality in form and content that was to distinguish his subsequent creative effort. Music has been his avocation for he entered business when twenty-four. In spite of this, Ives has been a prolific and versatile composer whose renown and influence has spread throughout the world.

The composer wrote the following inscription on the original manuscript of *Tone Roads No. 1*: "Over the rough and rocky roads our old forefathers strode on their way to the steepled village church or to the farmers' harvest fair, or to the town meetings where they got up and said what they thought regardless of consequences."

INSTRUMENTATION

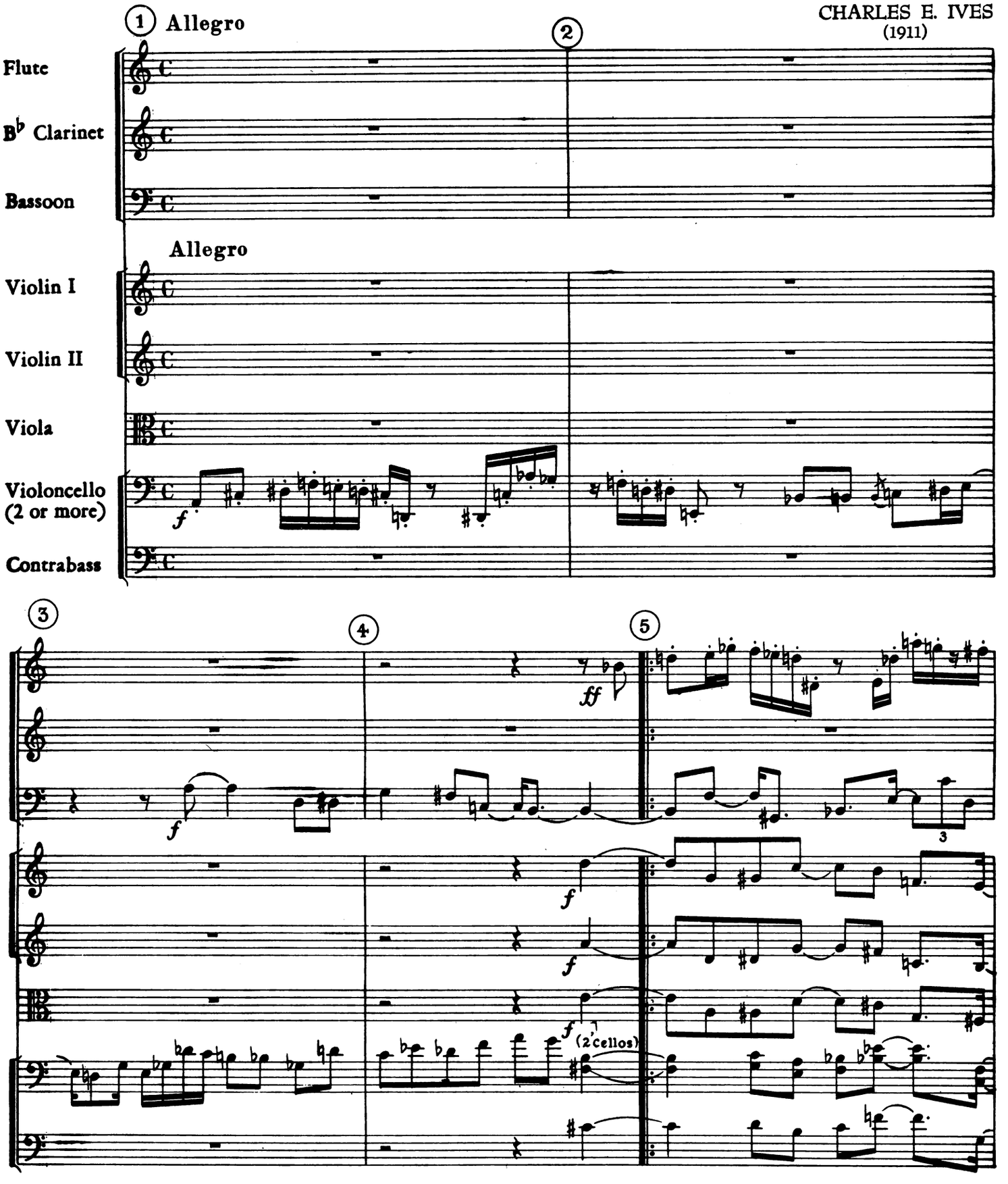
Flute
B♭ Clarinet
Bassoon

Violin I
Violin II
Viola
Violoncello
Contrabass

DURATION: Between 7 to 8 minutes

Tone Roads No. 1

CHARLES E. IVES
(1911)



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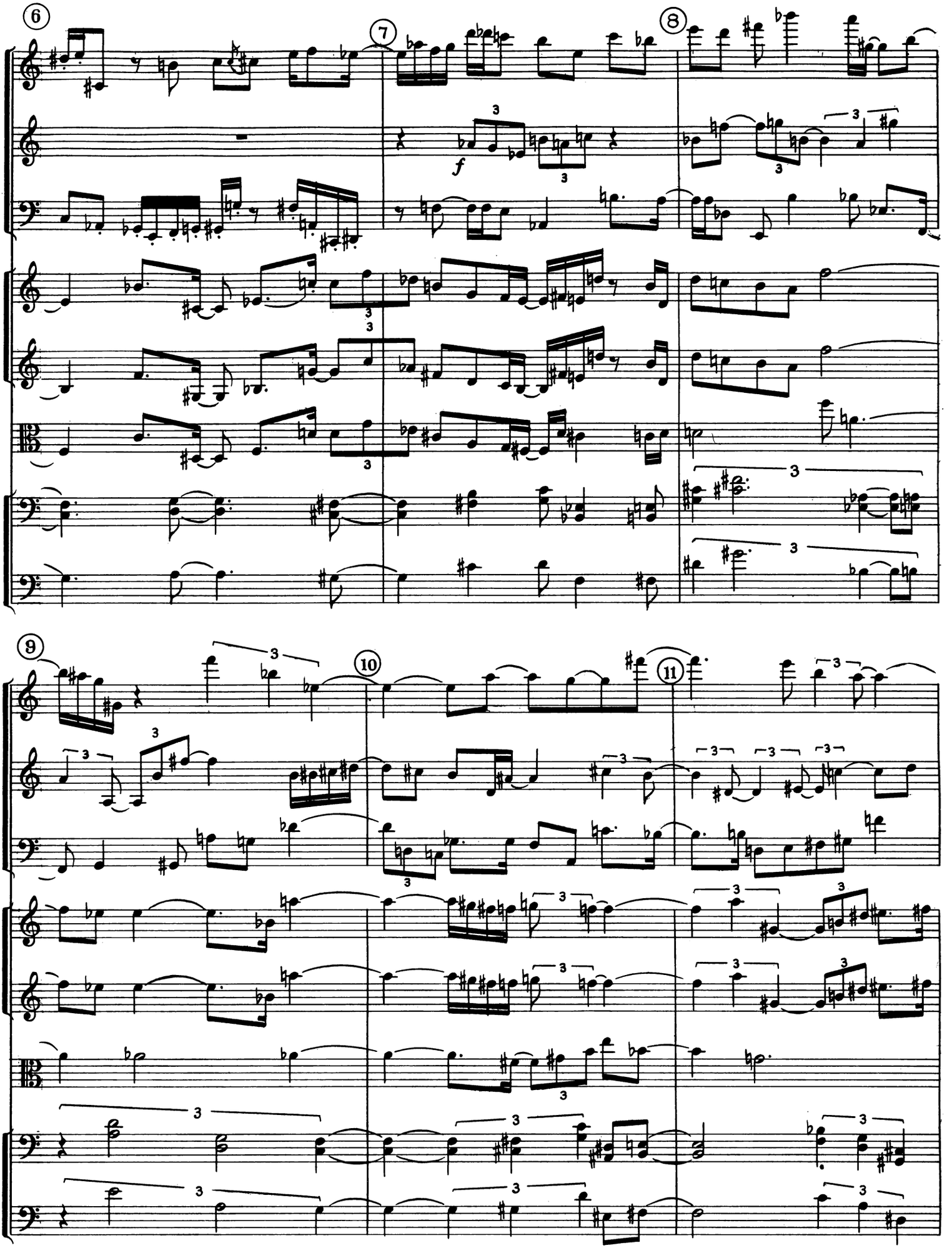
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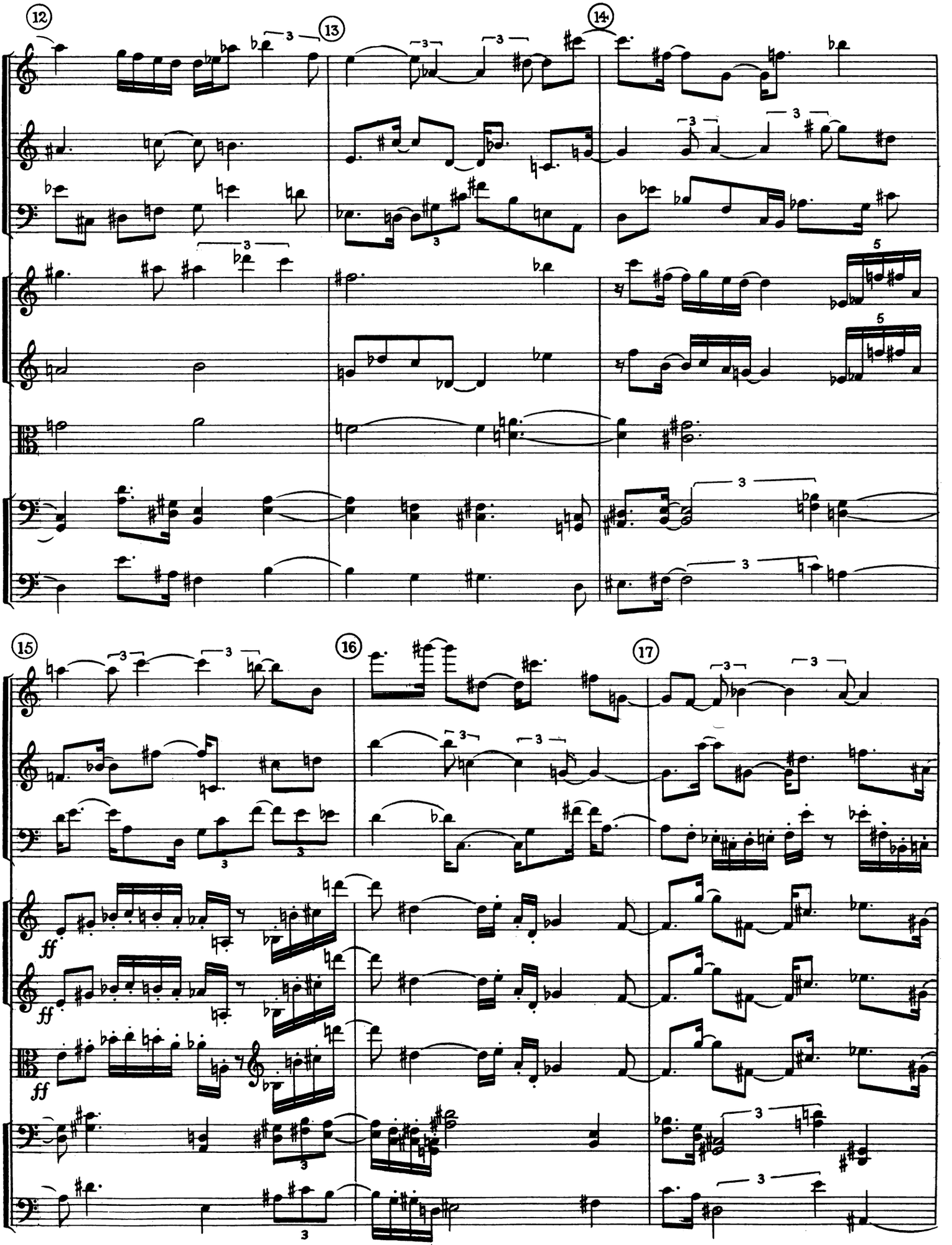
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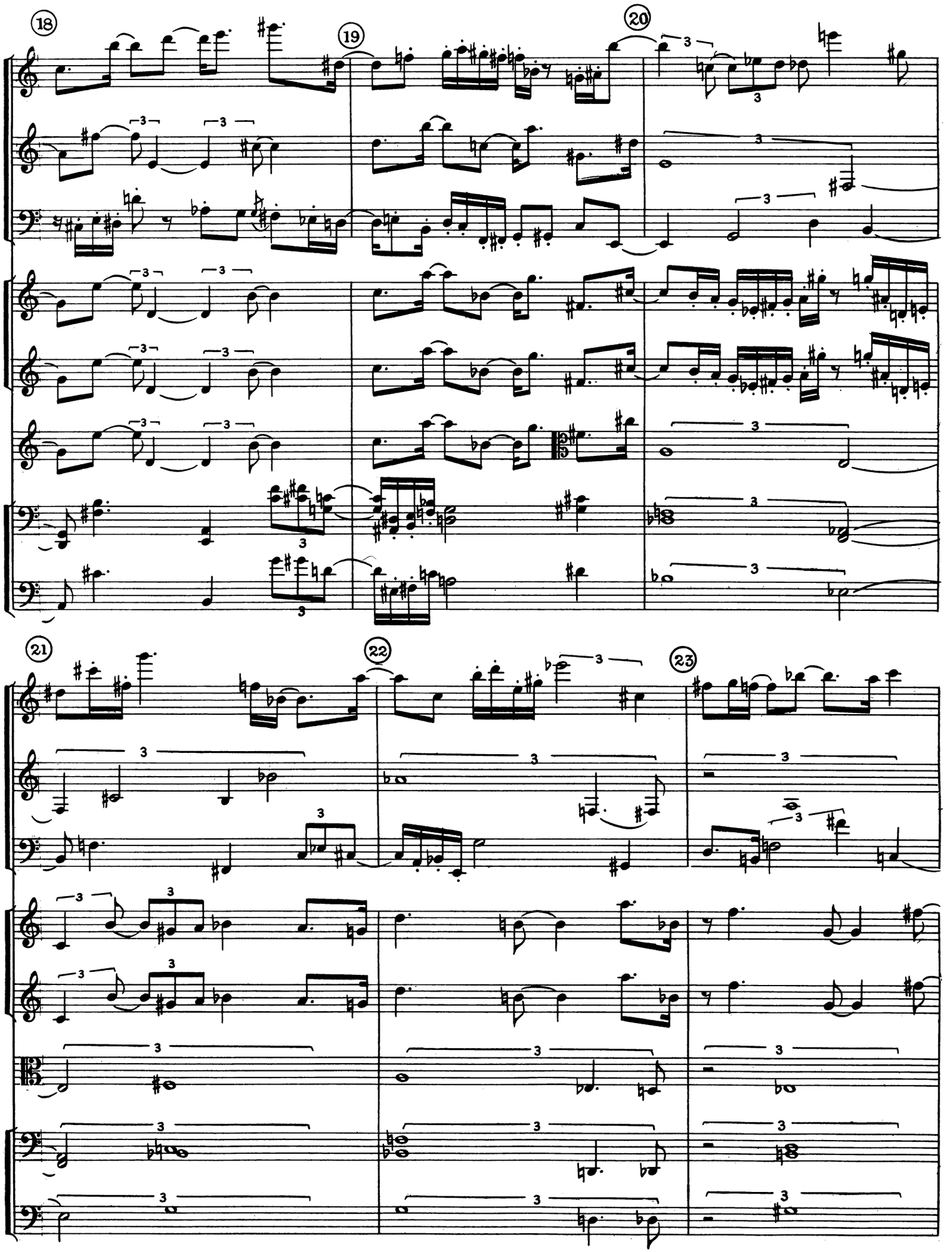
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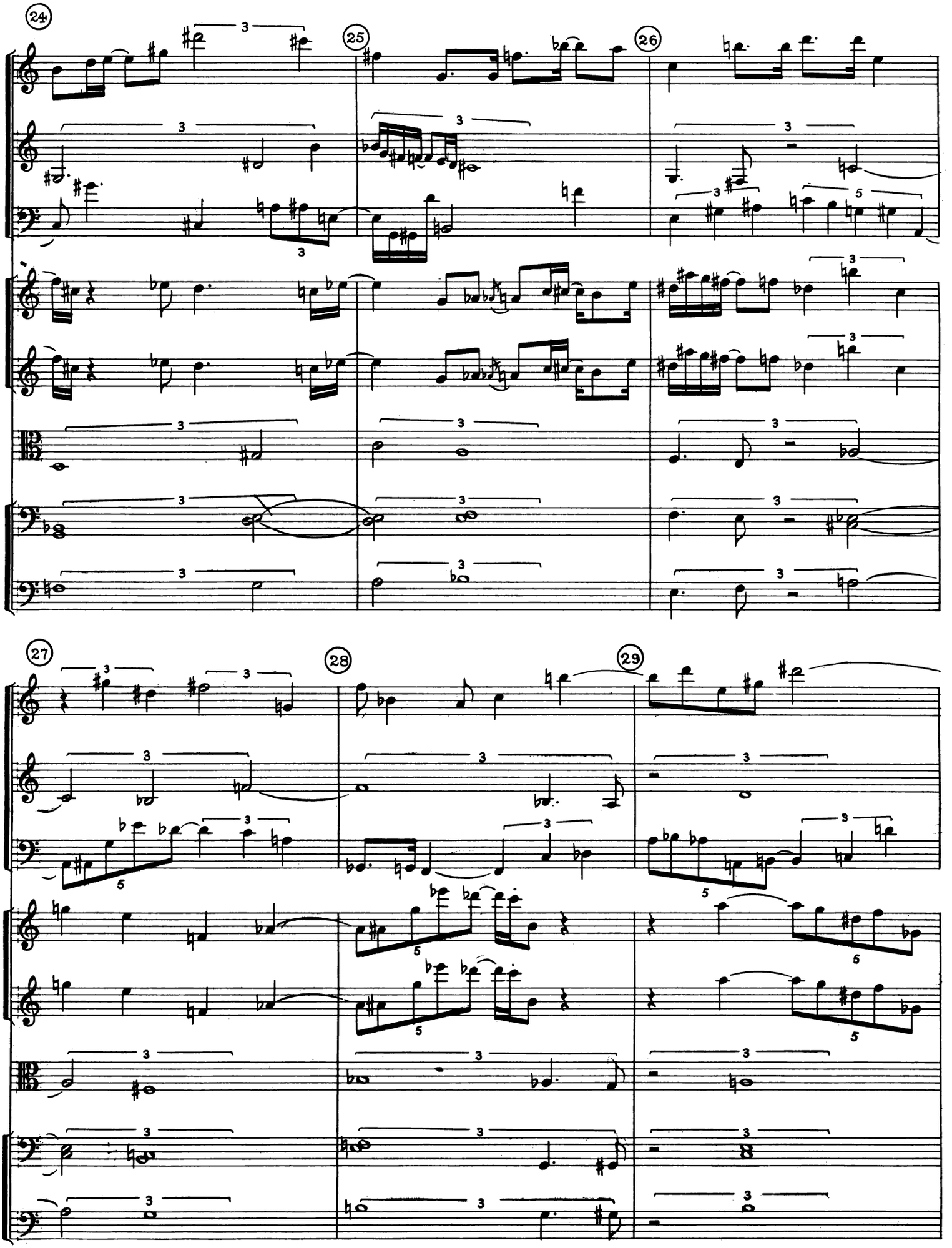
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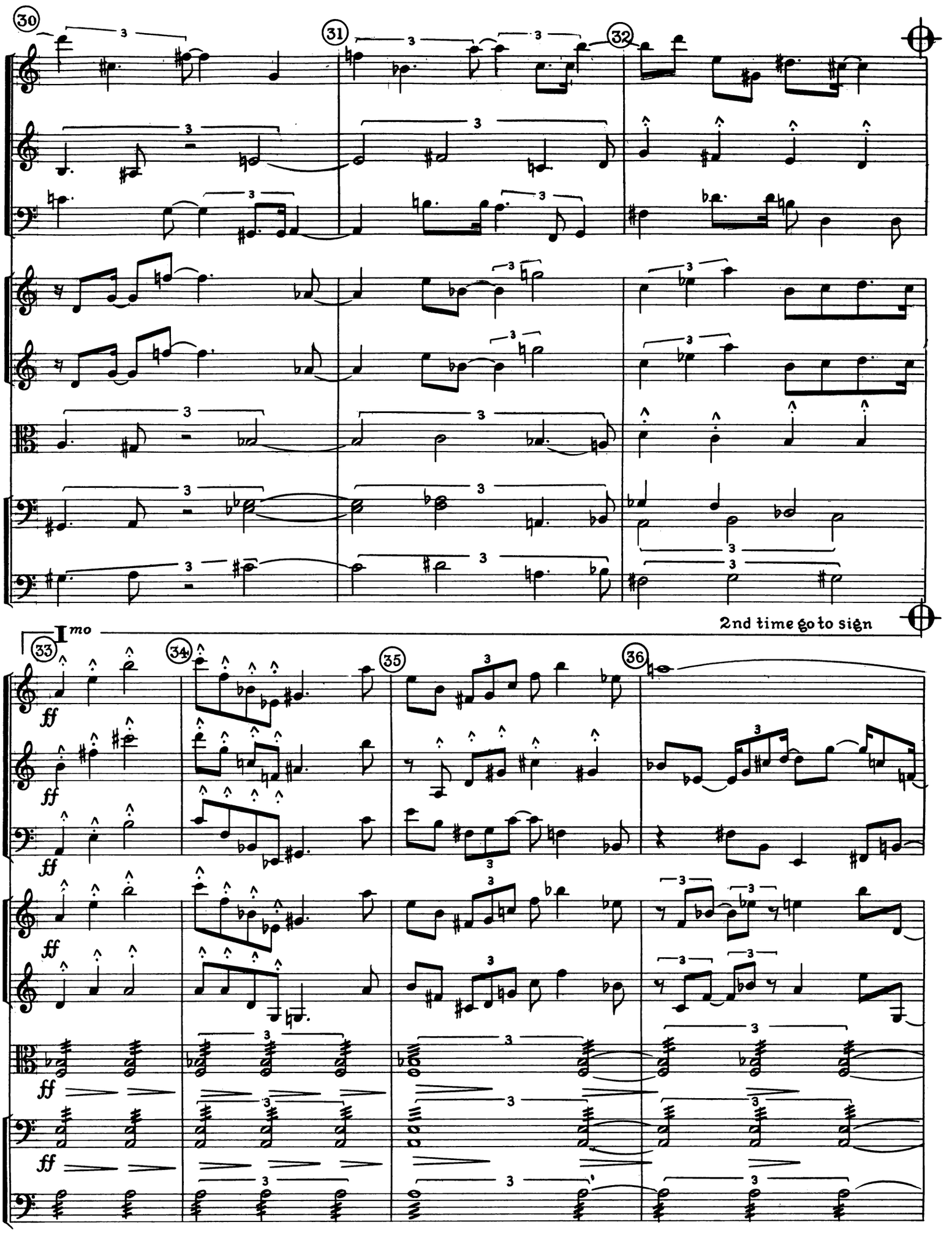
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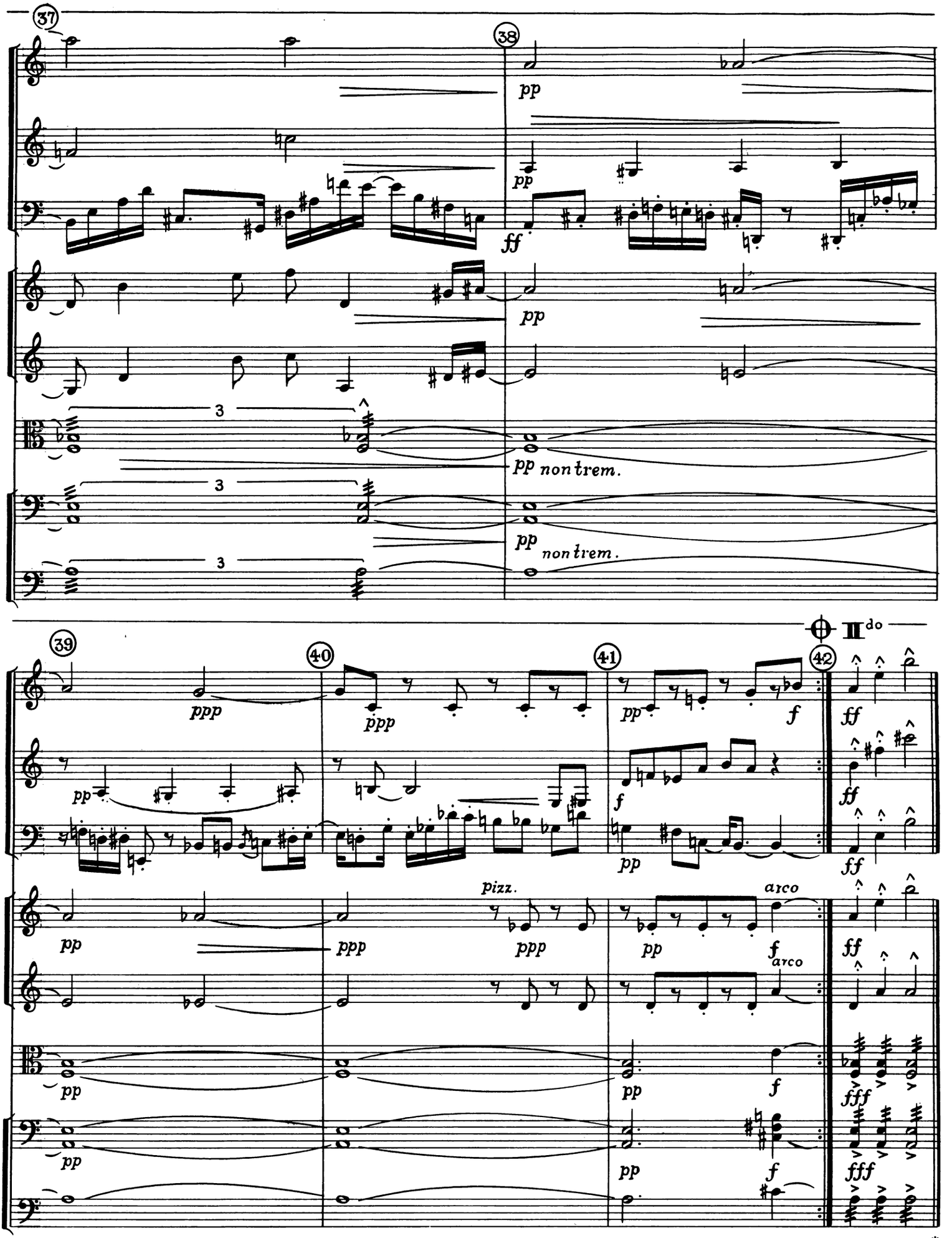

*"All roads lead to the Centre—in a race to Town Meetin'."