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String Sextet

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The second and third movements of this work were composed for the 2023/24 season of the GroundSwell new music series in Winnipeg. The world premiere performance of those two movements was given on May 22, 2024 at Laudamus Auditorium, Winnipeg, Manitoba.
The performers were:

Karl Stobbe, Elation Pauls, violins
Élise Lavalée, Dima Kreshchenskyi, violas
Paul Marleyn, Ethan Allers, violoncelli

The world premiere of the complete work was given on June 5, 2026 as part of QuartetFest at Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario.

The performers were:

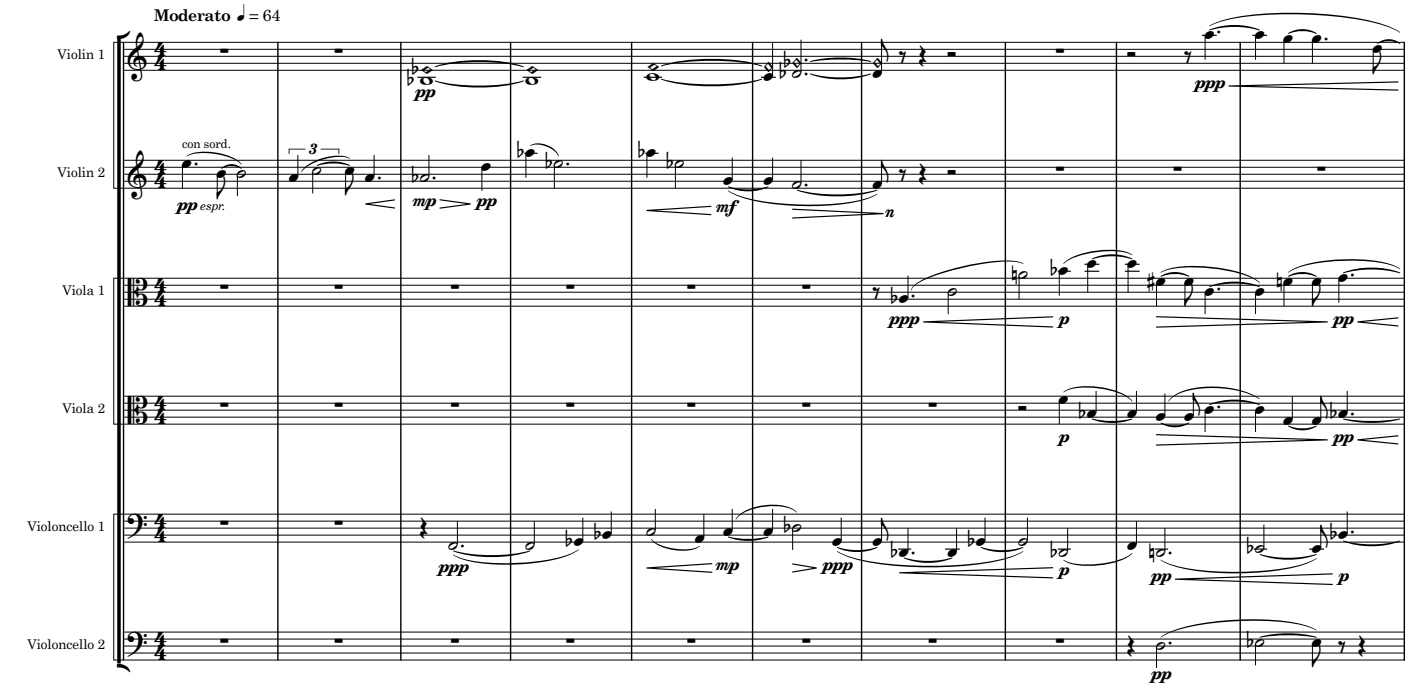
Jeremy Bell, Jerzy Kapłanek, violins
Christine Vlajk, Sharon Wei, violas
Katie Schlaikjer, Tom Wiebe, violoncelli

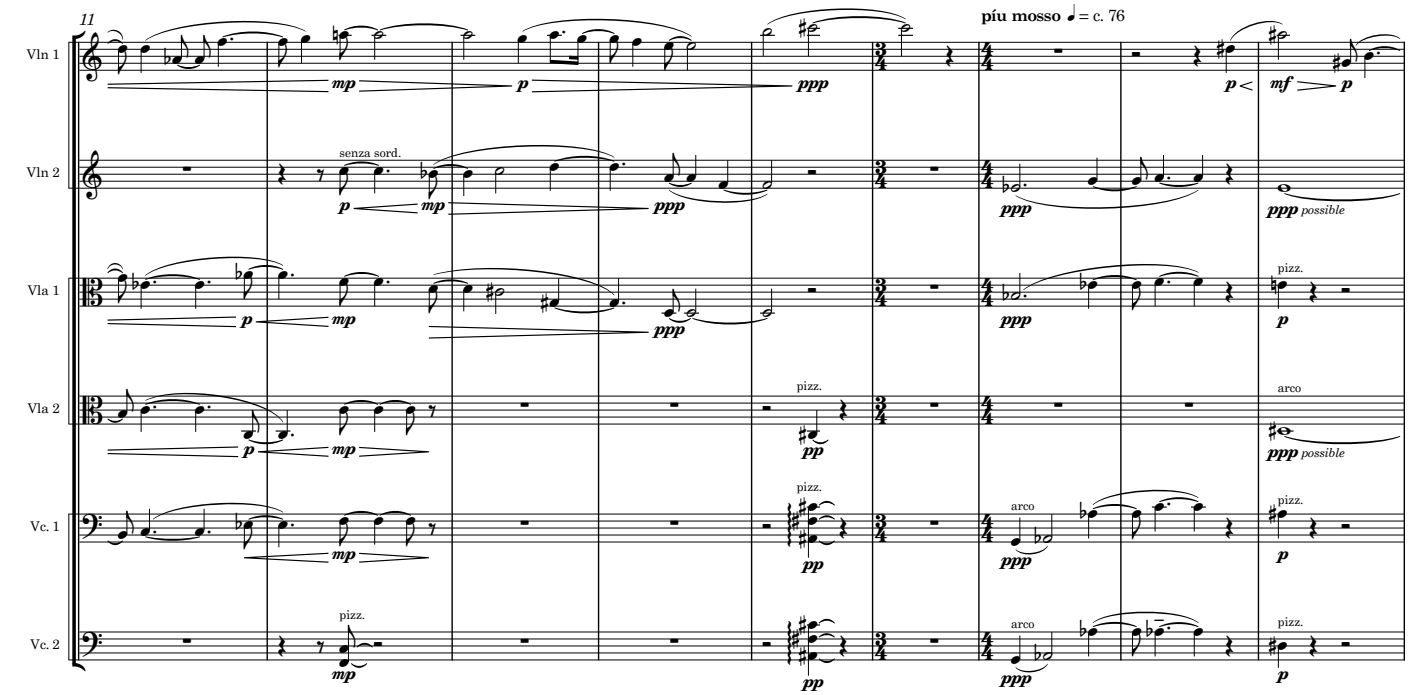
Accidentals apply throughout the bar, but may be repeated for ease of reading.

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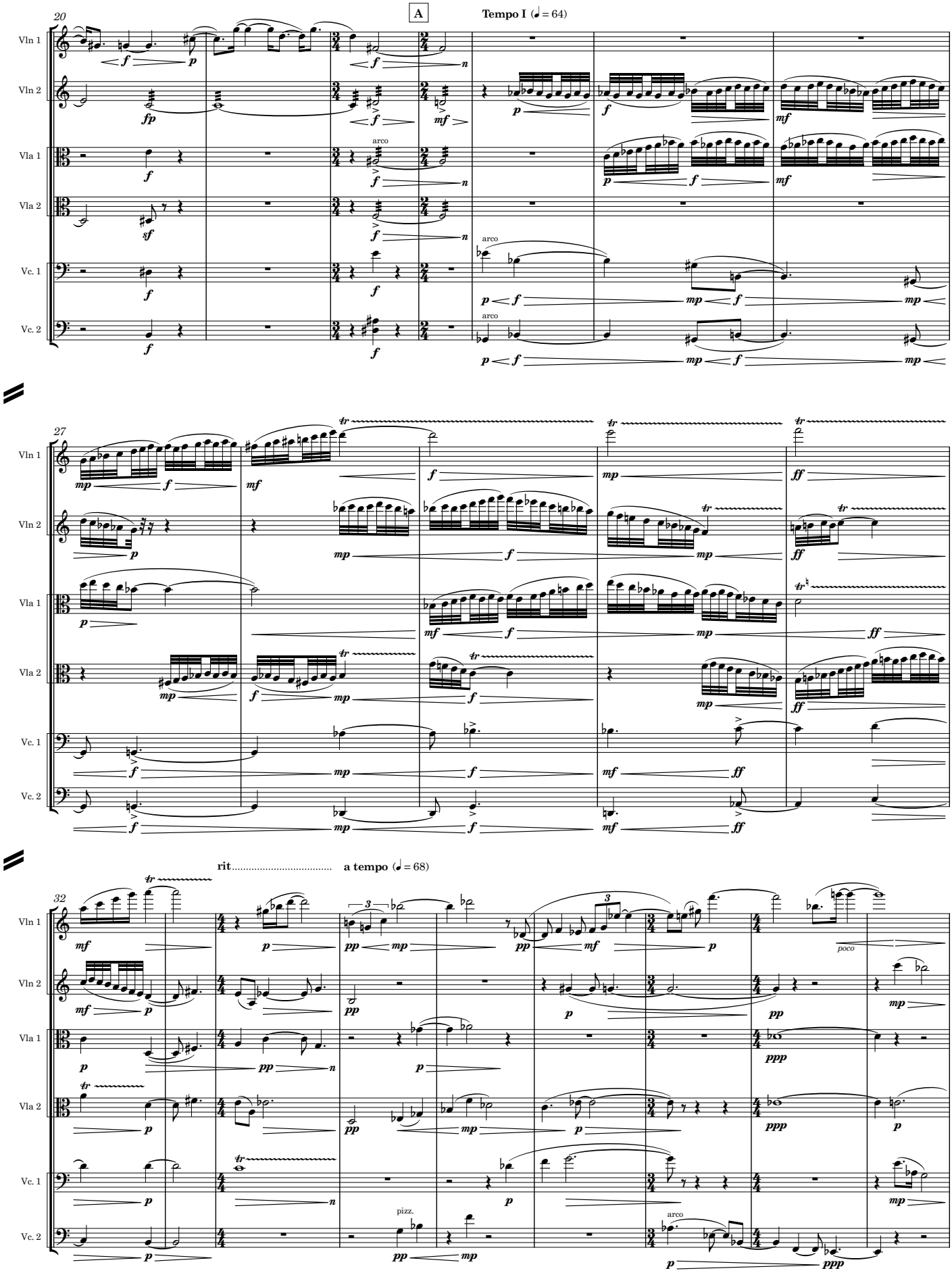
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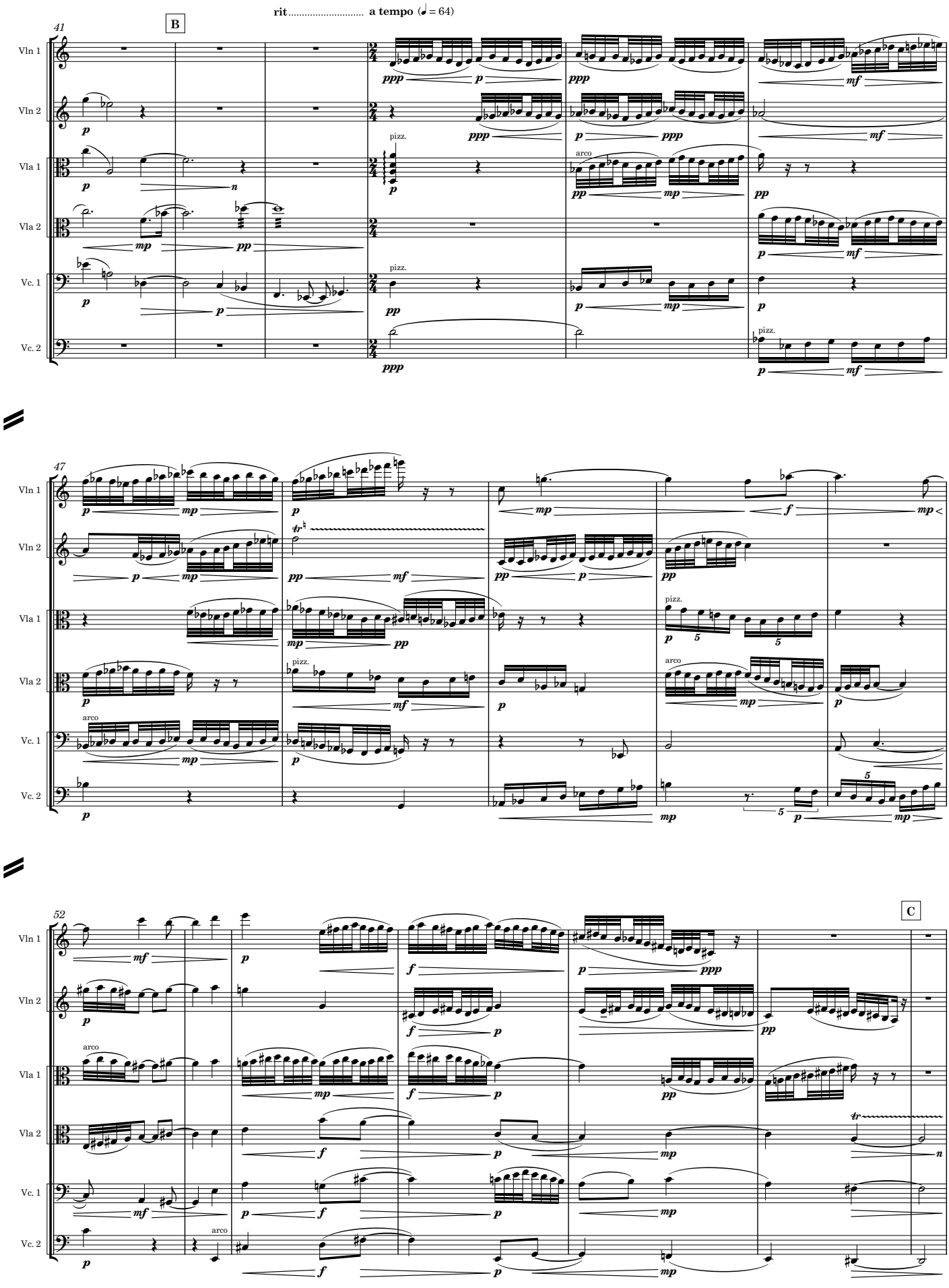
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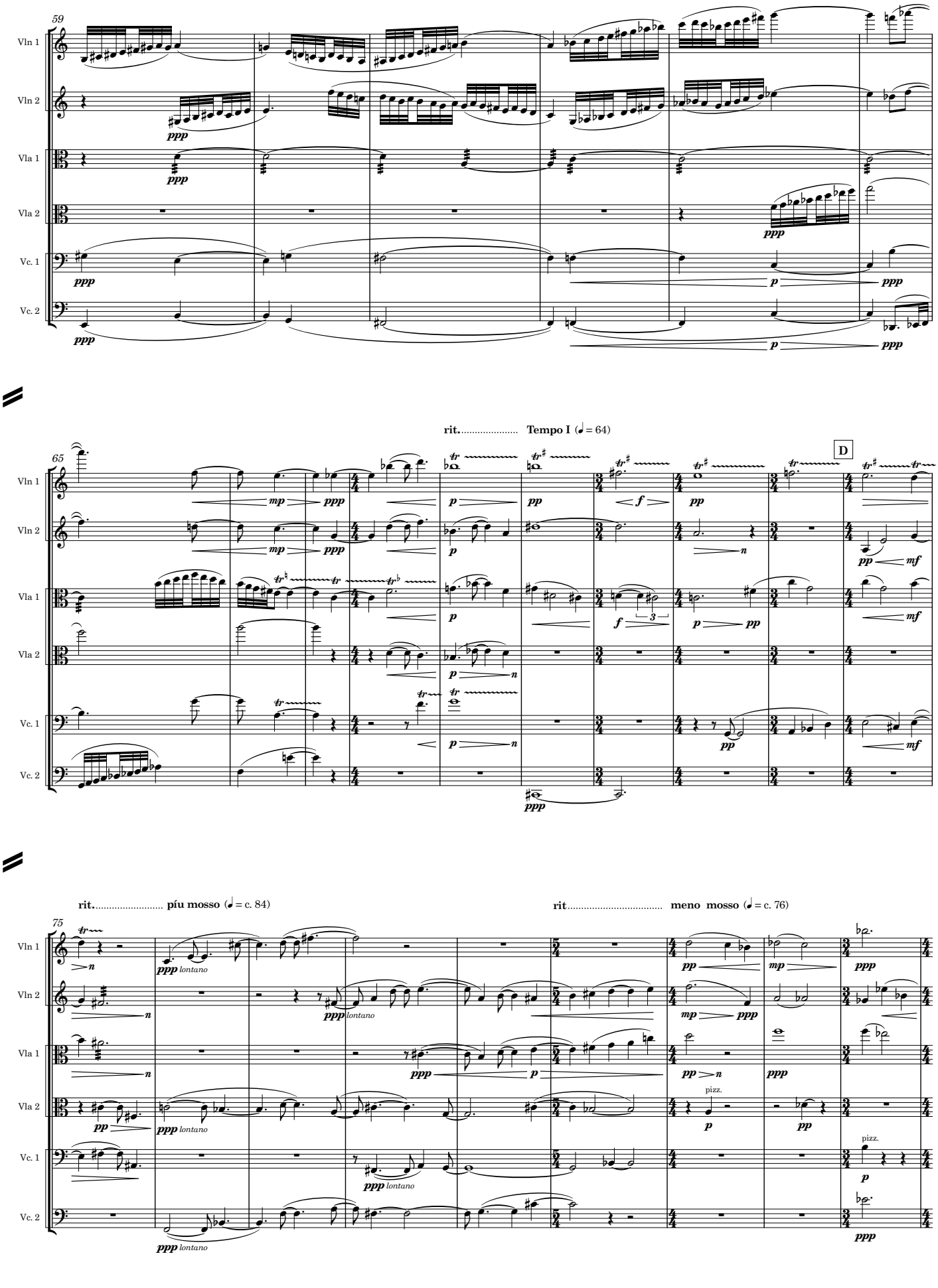


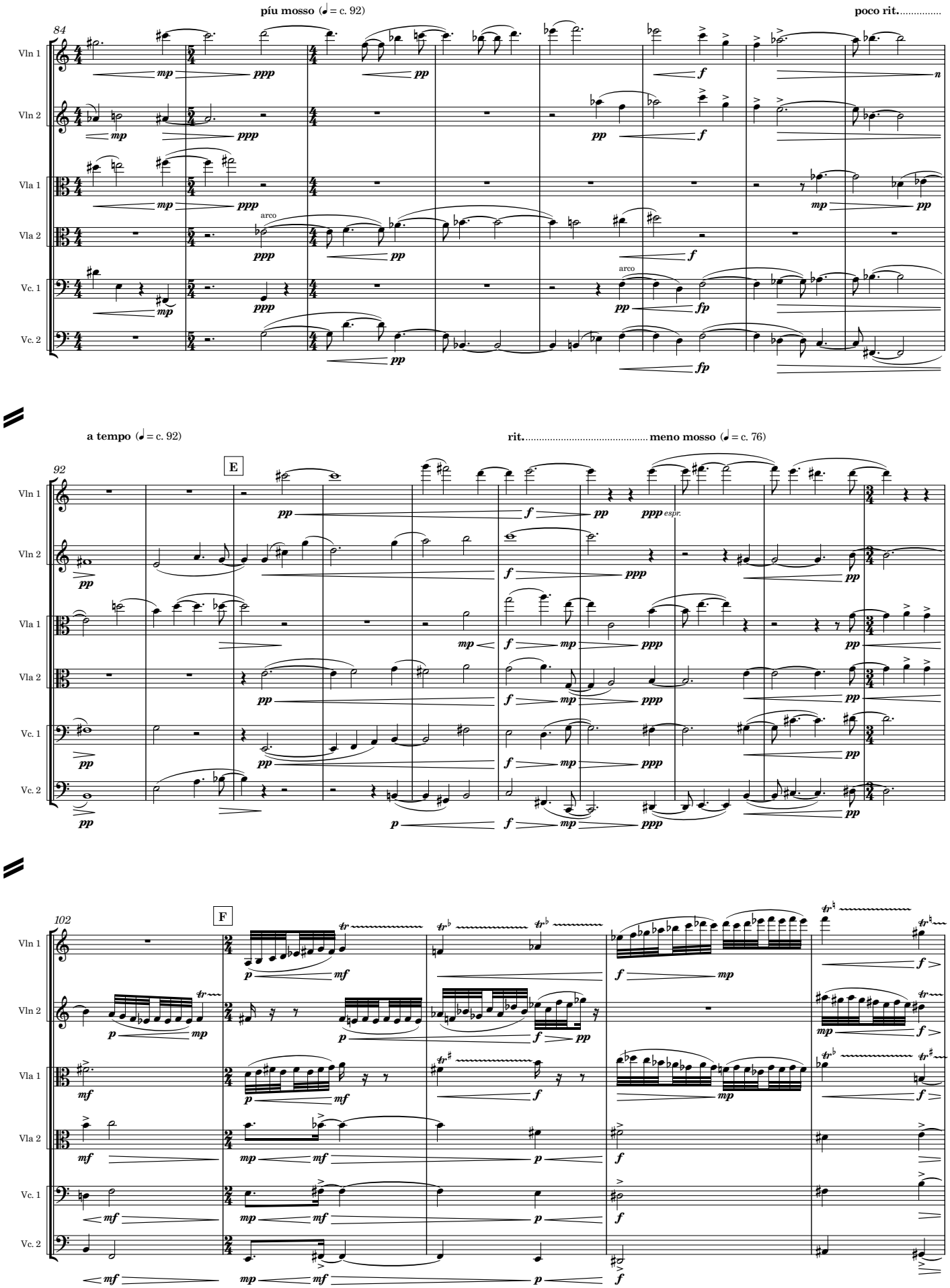


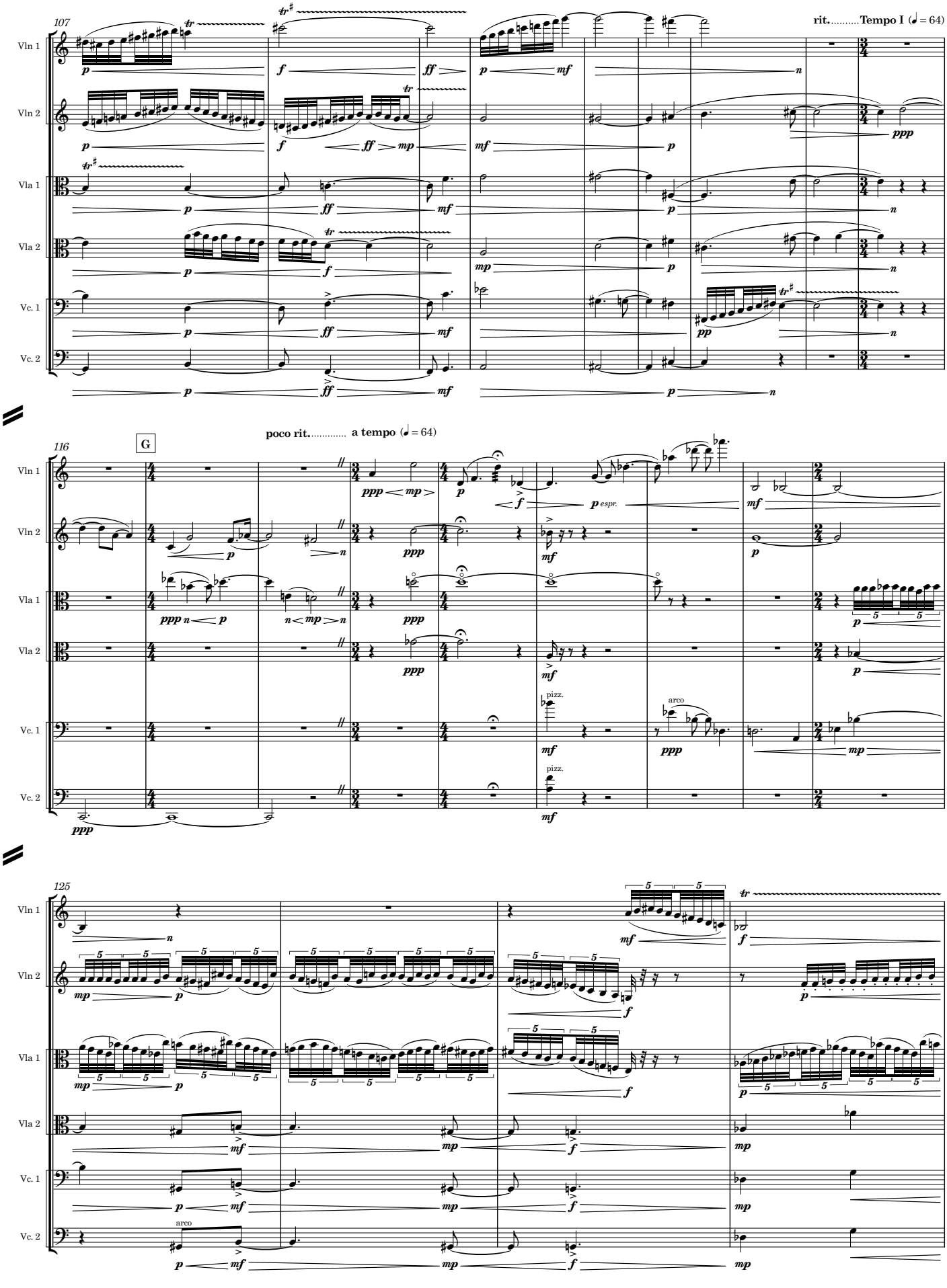
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20
A
Tempo I (♩ = 64)
Vln 1
Vln 2
Vla 1
Vla 2
Vc. 1
Vc. 2
arco
27
32
rit.....
a tempo (♩ = 68)
poco
pizz.


41
B
rit..... a tempo (♩= 64)
Vln 1
Vln 2
Vla 1
Vla 2
Vc. 1
Vc. 2
pizz.
arco
47
52
C


59
Vln 1
Vln 2
Vla 1
Vla 2
Vc. 1
Vc. 2
ppp
p
65
rit. Tempo I (♩= 64)
D
mp
pp
f
mf
n
3
75
rit. píu mosso (♩= c. 84)
rit meno mosso (♩= c. 76)
lontano
pizz.


84
più mosso (♩ = c. 92)
poco rit.
Vln 1
Vln 2
Vla 1
Vla 2
Vc. 1
Vc. 2
arco
92
a tempo (♩ = c. 92)
E
rit.
meno mosso (♩ = c. 76)
espr.
102
F


107
rit. Tempo I (♩ = 64)
Vln 1
Vln 2
Vla 1
Vla 2
Vc. 1
Vc. 2
116
G
poco rit. a tempo (♩ = 64)
pizz.
arco
125
arco