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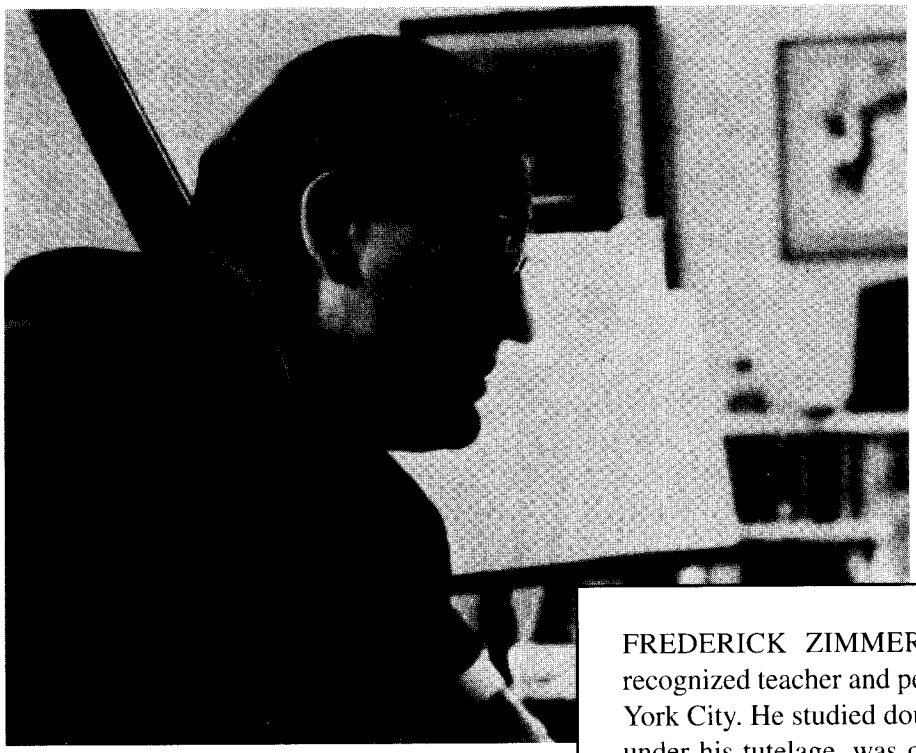

FREDERICK ZIMMERMANN (1906-1967), internationally recognized teacher and performer, was born and educated in New York City. He studied double bass with Herman Reinshagen and, under his tutelage, was one of the first Americans to concertize on the double bass. He succeeded this eminent teacher as a member of the faculty of the Julliard School of Music in 1935.

He was also a member of the faculty of the Mannes College of Music; The New School of Music, Philadelphia; double bass coach of the Canadian Youth Orchestra, Toronto, Canada and was a teacher in Education at New York University. He was also a member of the New York Philharmonic Symphony for 36 years.

As a lecturer he conducted seminars at various colleges in the East, presenting contemporary concepts of playing, as well as teaching techniques. As a writer he presented the history of the double bass, as well as a new image of the instrument and its performer, elevating it to a level heretofore never realized by either player or listener and giving it a dimension heretofore unknown.

The concept of two, three and four double basses playing in ensemble as a method of study, preparing the student as an ensemble and orchestral player, originated with Frederick Zimmermann. He has transcribed much music, from the 14th to the 20th centuries, for this purpose and has interested contemporary composers to write for consorts of double bass.

His pupils have filled important positions as players and teachers in the United States, Canada and Europe. More than anyone else in the 20th century, Frederick Zimmermann enlarged the literature of the double bass and gave the instrument prominence and dignity in the musical world.

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PREFACE

Many of the technical problems presented in the playing of the double bass are problems peculiar to that instrument. They exist because of its physical structure and its manner of tuning.

The most formidable problems presented by the proportions of the double bass are the great distances separating notes and intervals, and the excessive number of shifts made necessary by the fact that only two semi-tones can be played in one position.

The solution to the problem of playing a complex, non-diatonic passage at a rapid tempo is sought in fingering as many notes (intervals), or orders of notes (chordal), as possible in one position. However, while this solves one problem, it creates another: it adds to the number of cross-string bowing changes.

An approach to the development of a technique relating to this particular problem is the subject of this work.

Fingerings function as guides, outlining generalizations and "systems", to train the fingers to move automatically in established and readily recognizable patterns.

The fingers trained to respond to

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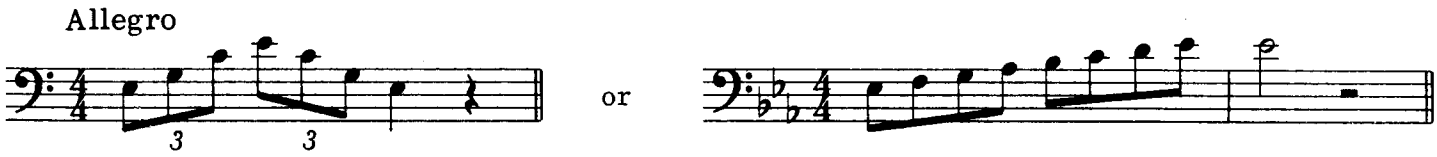

along the contours of the fingering pattern in

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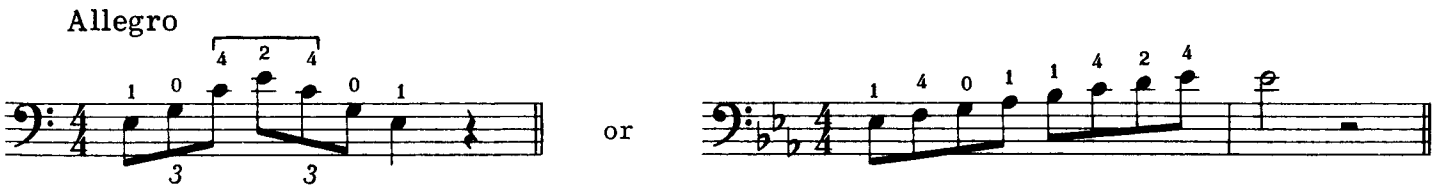

will do so as a reflex in whatever context this figure may occur (Mozart, Beethoven, Brahms, Storch-Hrabe, etc.).

Such a spontaneous recognition of and response to a figure does not, however, occur in the action of the bow arm. There are no precise guides, such as fingering indications, to clarify and make knowledgeable the nature and structure of the bowing patterns which seem to be, so to speak, woven in the very texture of the passage itself.

To abstract such bowing patterns from their particular environment or passage for ready indentification, classification, communication, detailed study and analysis is the main objective considered in organizing the material of this work.

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Using measures from the last movement of the third Symphony of Beethoven, the method by which bowing patterns are abstracted is outlined as follows: The excerpt is written in the upper staff of a pair of bracketed staffs:

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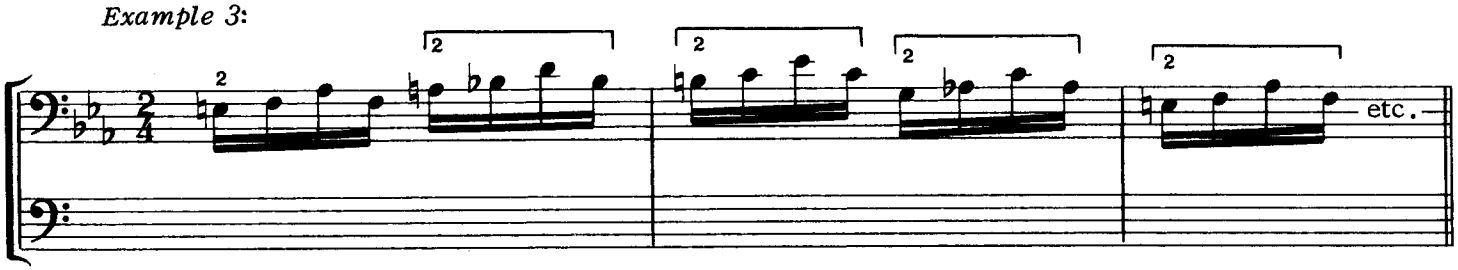
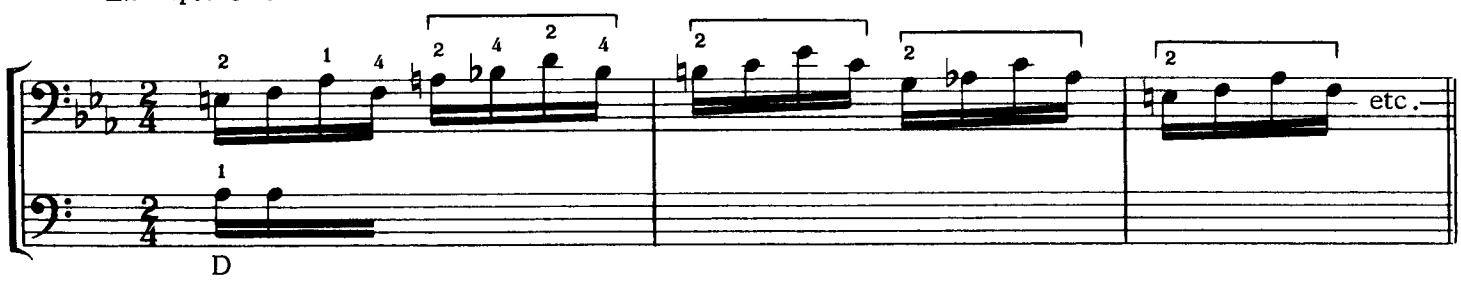


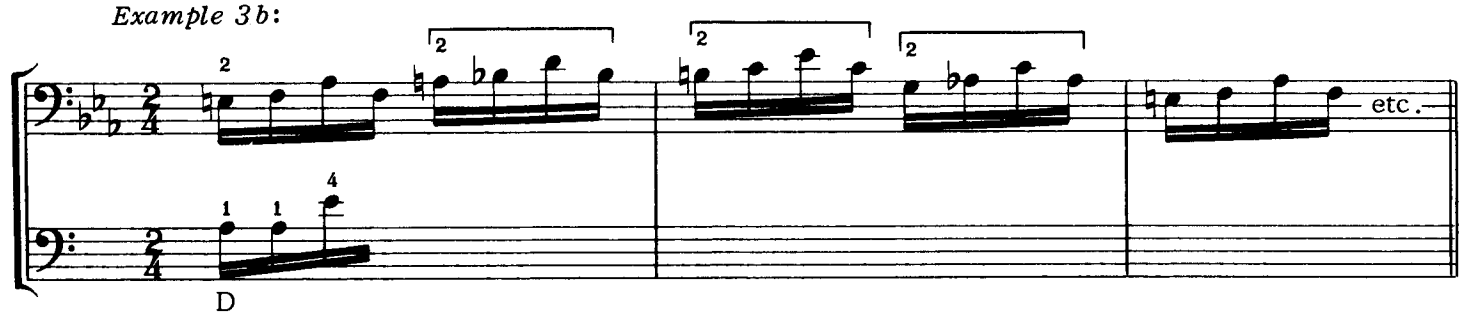
The pattern is written note for note on the lower staff as follows: Any note played on the "D" string is written on the lower staff, directly below that note as an "A" in the fourth position on the "D" string:

Example 3a:



Any note played on the "G" string will be written on the lower staff, directly below that note as an "E" in the fourth position on the "G" string:

Example 3b:



After carrying out the steps of this procedure throughout the excerpt, the bowing pattern will take the form or structure illustrated in

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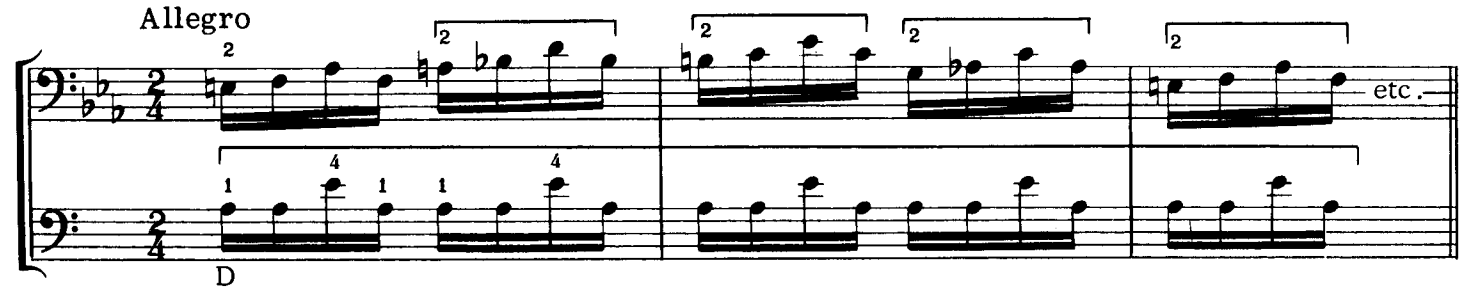
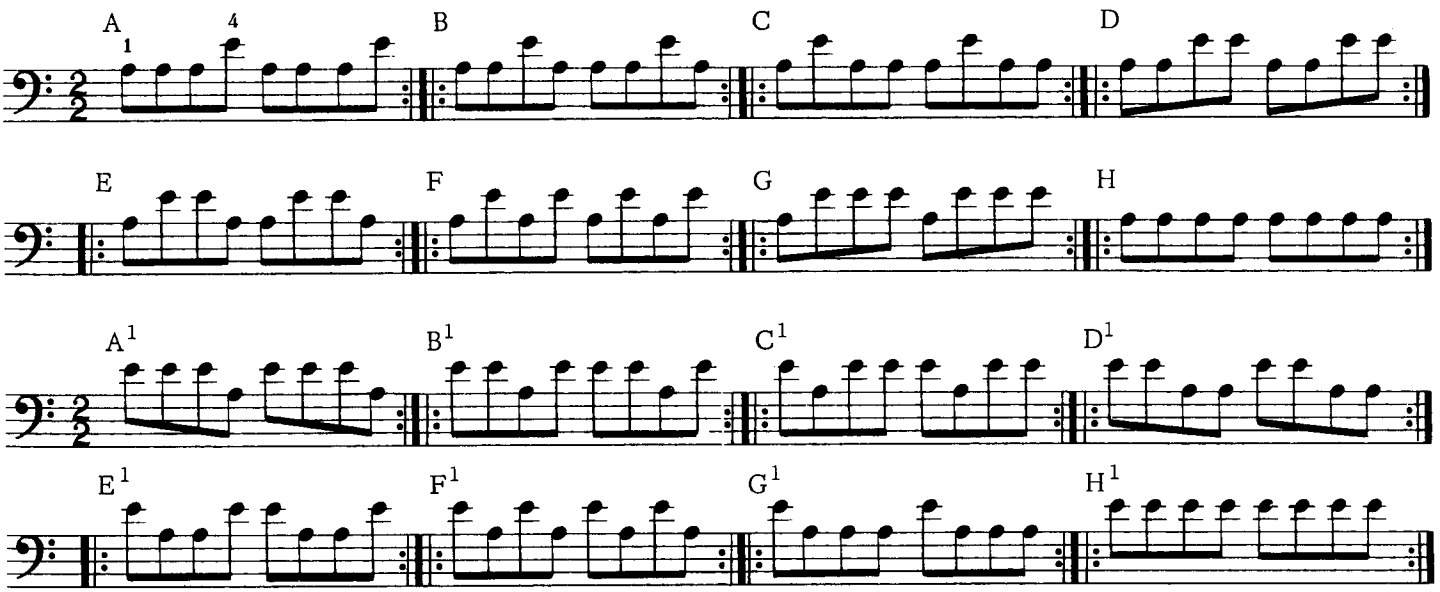


The bowing now has a visual arrangement, and it is interesting to note that though there are four shifts of position for the left hand, there is but one bowing pattern; an element of four notes repeated five times. This excerpt as well as any passage, can now be practiced in parts - the bowing first, free from the distracting movements of the left hand; then the left hand shifts can be practiced unhindered by any uncertain motions of the bow arm.

In passages across four strings, notes on the "A" string are written as an open "A"; those on the "E" string are written as an open "E".

One soon notices, in examining the patterns abstracted from the orchestral excerpts in this work, how often the basic elements of the various sections occur - either by themselves or in combination with one another. They are present throughout the entire literature, regardless of the key, style or form of a composition.

The basic elements of each section, such as those of Section 1, and their inversions



should be studied together with the visual guide (graph) of each in detail, before going on to the next, since the understanding and skill with which one pattern is played (repeatedly) depends on the knowledge and assurance one has gained from the previous pattern, though each separate one is a new experience in controlling the alternating movements of the bow.

The general format of this work includes a preface (the object and purpose of this work); an introduction (description of the functions of the arm and hand, and the purpose of their functions and supplementary material), and six sections.

Sections 1 to IV are subdivided into these parts:

1. The Basic Patterns.
2. Suggested Practice Procedure.
3. Etudes constructed on the Basic Patterns and Permutations of Their Elements.
4. Bowings and Etudes Built on the Bowing Patterns.
5. Examples from Etudes, Orchestral Passages and Materials from the Solo Repertoire.
6. Graphic Bowing Charts.

Section V:

Patterns, Etudes and Excerpts Relating to Three and Four Strings.

Section VI:

Bowing Drills.

There are over four hundred bowing patterns forming the main portion of this book. Though not an attempt to exhaust all the possibilities, they serve as a sufficient basis for further study, reference, serious consideration and expansion. Their efficacy will be realized in proportion to the manner in which they are used. To have a knowledge of some is to bring a technique to the solution of a bowing problem; to have command of many is to face the materials of music with confidence and skill.

- - Frederick Zimmermann

INTRODUCTION

There are two considerations which are of major importance in the course of practicing cross-string bowing patterns. First, the hair of the bow must remain as close to the strings as possible, in the particular pattern being studied; and second, the raising and lowering movements of the arm must be kept at a minimum.

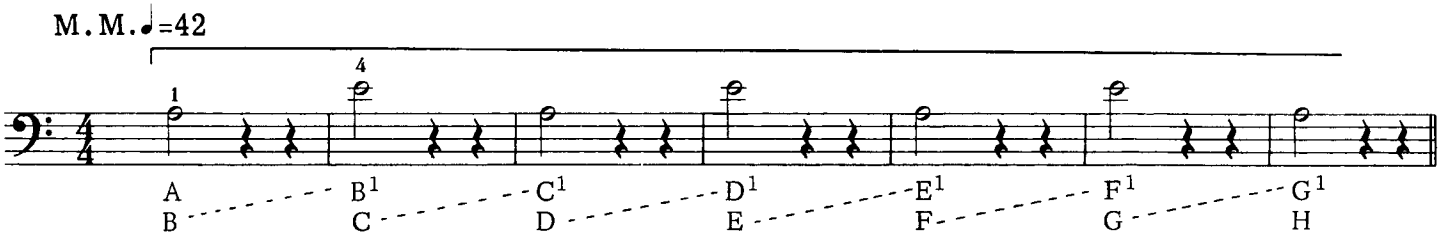
The technique of bowing across two or more strings is a total operation consisting of three principal parts, each part acting in accord with the others:

1. The horizontal movements of the bow arm.
2. The raising and lowering motions of the arm.
3. The tilting actions of the hand.
    a. A sub-phase is the feeling of the weight of the arm. This sensation of weight (the actual weight of the arm) is carried along the intricate motions of all the cross-string patterns.

Each stage in turn has its specific function and purpose:

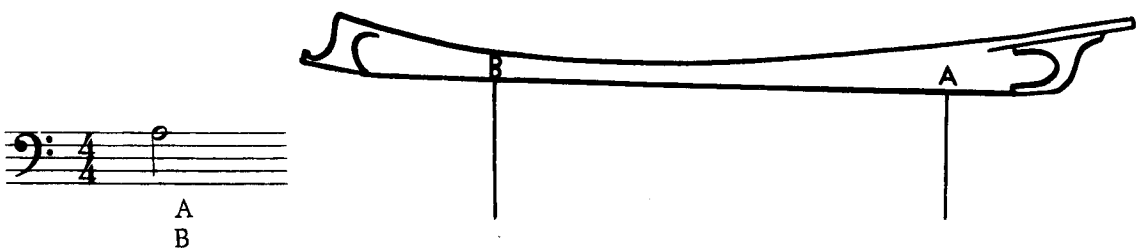
1. The horizontal movements of the arm direct the bow in either alternate or successive down and up-bow motions. They also serve to regulate the various rates of speed (velocity) at which the bow travels.
2. The raising and lowering motions of the arm tilt or direct the bow to either a lower or a higher pitched string.
3. The tilting action of the hand turns the stick of the bow toward the fingerboard in going to a higher pitched string, and away from it in going to a lower pitched string. This motion is auxiliary to and coincidental with the gradual raising and lowering movements of the arm, and serves to reduce its movements considerably. Both actions operate in accord, thus effecting smooth and facile string crossing.

The following exercises are included as outlines intended to train the hand and arm to move with an economy of motion from one string surface to another. The tilting action of the hand is valid for both styles of bowing, except that when using the *French Bow* there is more wrist movement, whereas when using the *Dragonetti Bow* (German) there is oblique wrist and forearm motion.



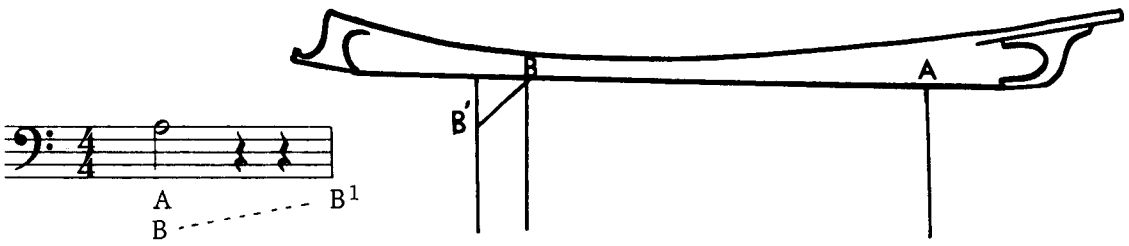
1. Stroke the note "A"; pause after the full durational value has been realized. (A to B)

Diagram 1:



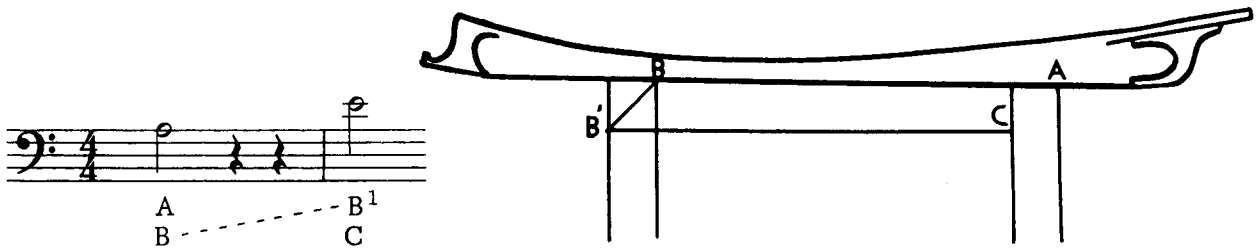
2. During the period of rest tilt the bow slowly, in the direction of the fingerboard, until the hair of the bow finds the surface of the "G" string, engaging it securely preparatory to stroking the note "E". (see Diagram 2.) (B to B^1)

Diagram 2:



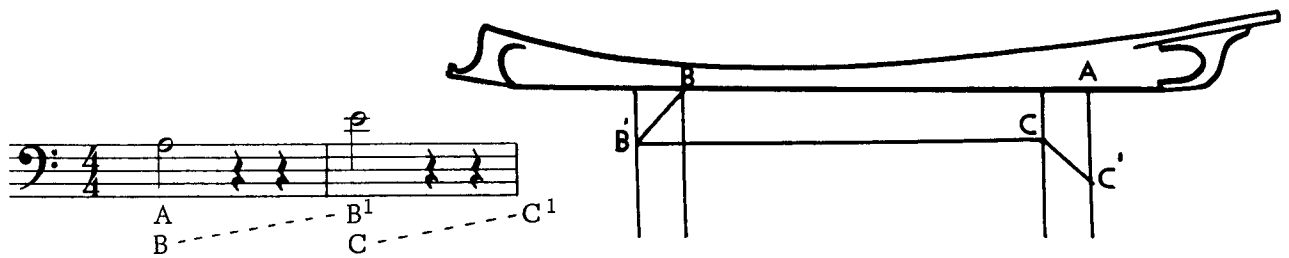
3. Stroke the note "E"; pause after the durational value has been realized. (see Diagram 3.) (B^1 to C)

Diagram 3:

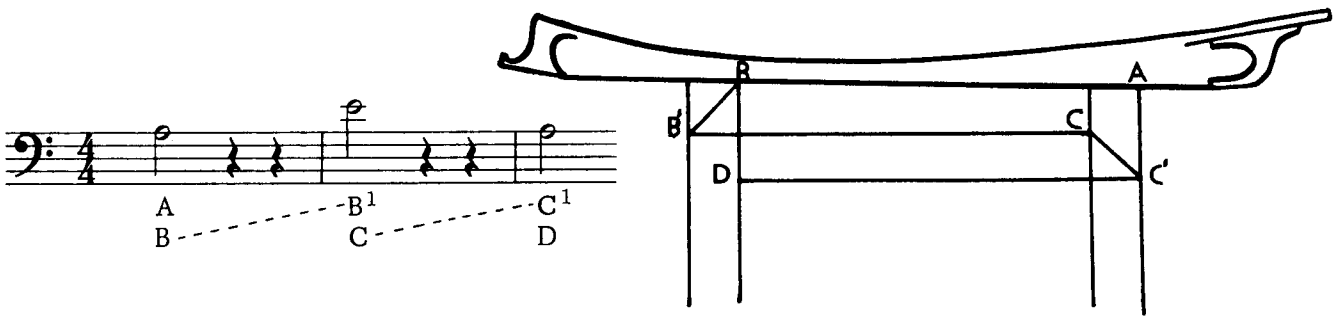


4. During the period of rest, tilt the bow slowly, away from the fingerboard, until the hair of the bow finds the surface of the "D" string, engaging it securely, preparatory to stroking the note "A". (C to C^1)

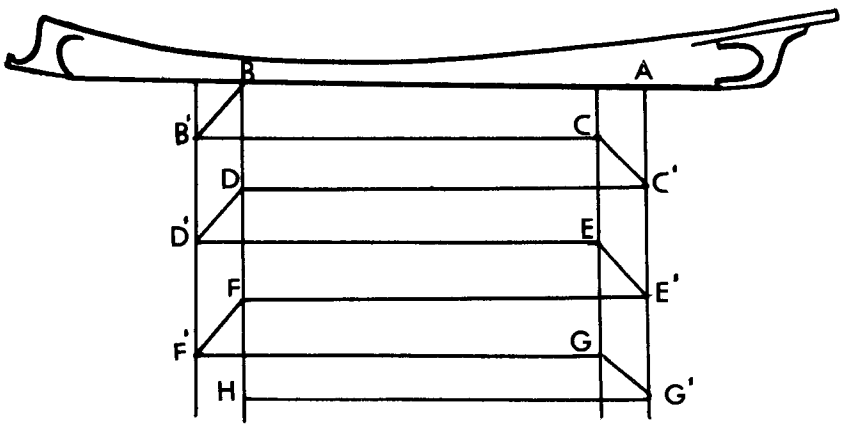
Diagram 4:

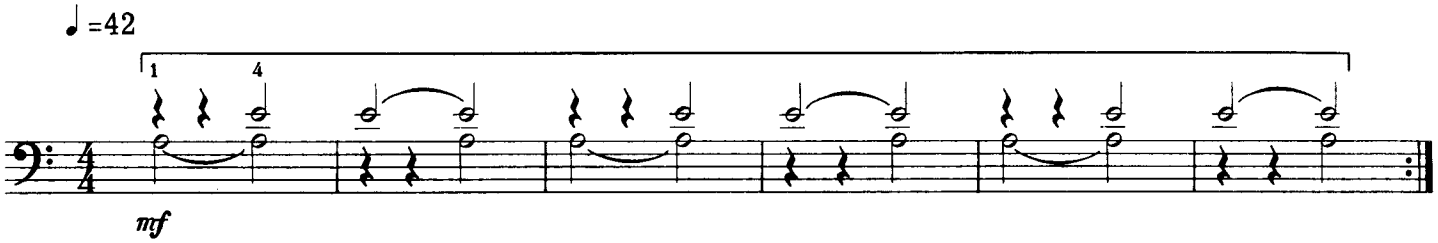


5. Stroke the "A"; pause after the durational value has been realized.

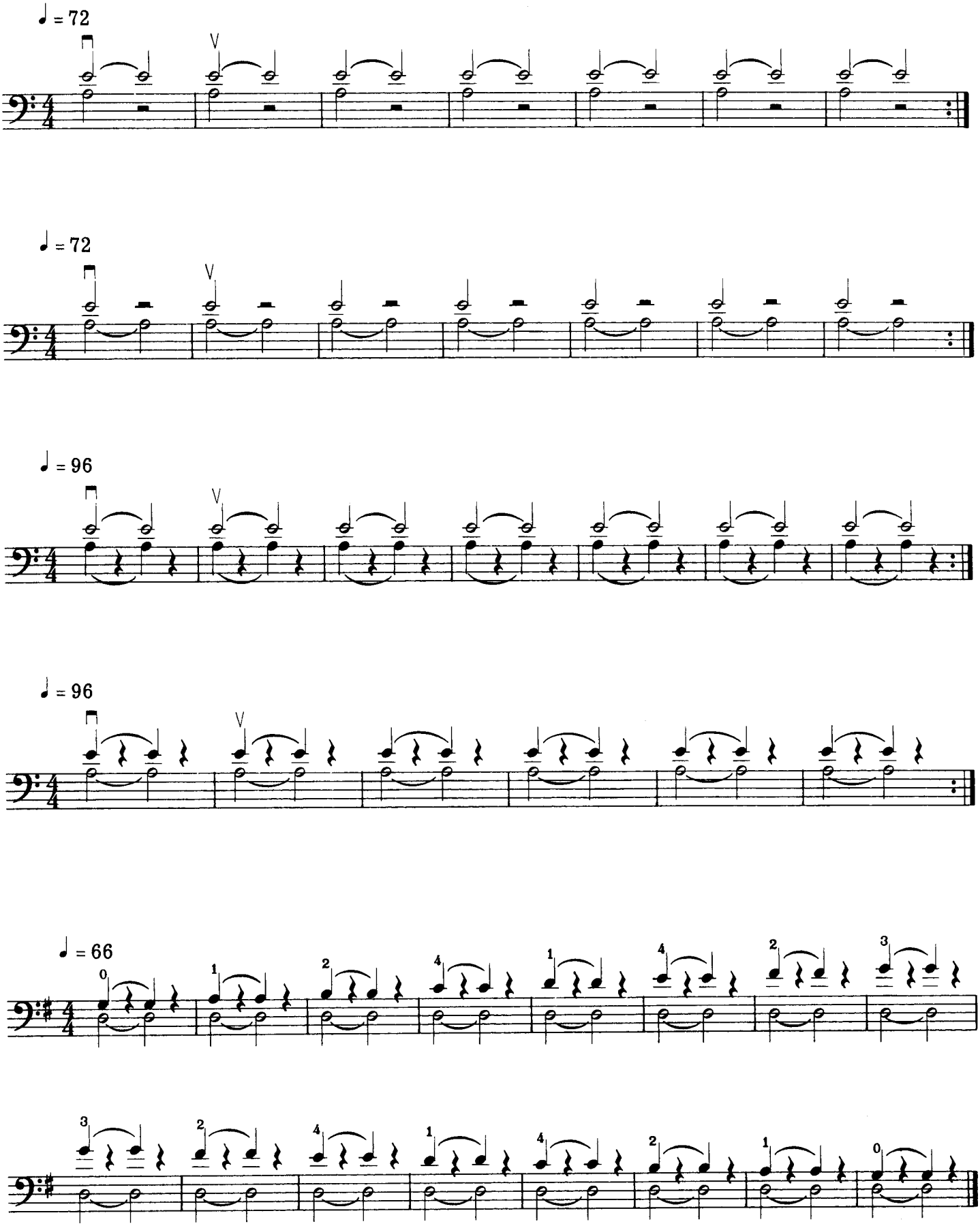


6. Repeat the steps as outlined in phases 1 to 4 (C to D, D^1 to E, E^1 to F, F^1 to G, G^1 to H).





1. During the stroking of the first half of measure 1 (the sounding of the "A"), gradually tilt the bow toward the surface of the "G" string, as close as possible, without actually resonating it. Gauge the speed of the bow and its distance from the "G" string.
2. On the count of three, gently and delicately move the bow across the "G" string without any acceleration of speed or change in dynamics, thereby sounding and sustaining the double-stop for the remainder of the measure.
3. Raise the bow but slightly from the surface of the "D" string while sounding the "E" again.
4. While stroking the "E", gradually tilt the bow toward the surface of the "D" string, as close as possible, without actually resonating it. Gauge the speed (velocity) of the bow and its distance from the "D" string, preparatory to sounding the note "A", then repeat phases 1 to 4.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♩ = 72
V
♩ = 96
V
♩ = 96
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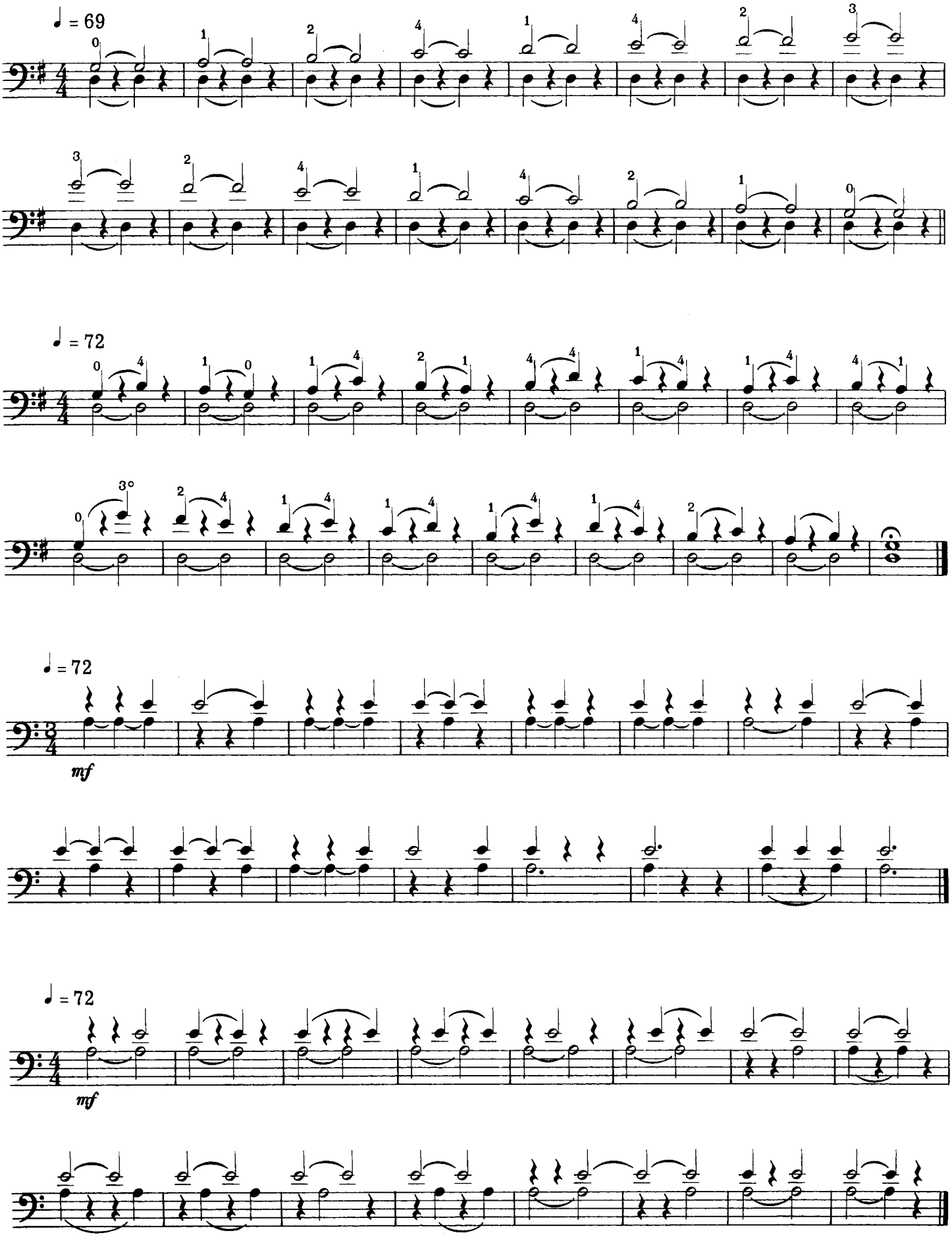
♩ = 69
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♩ = 72
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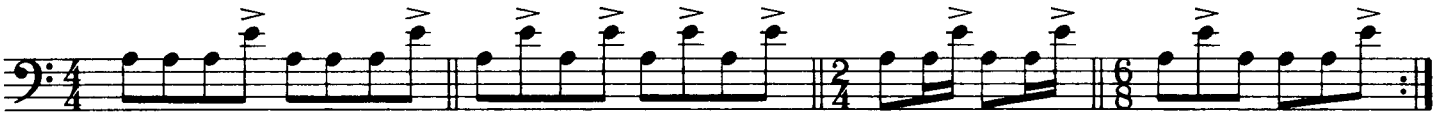
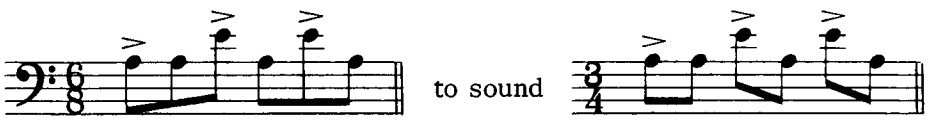
It is also important to the overall objective of developing a fine bowing technique, that the metric and durational values be kept under control. Since the rhythmic and metric beats in these examples and exercises are one and the same, care must be taken to accent only the primary and secondary beats, to avoid any alteration, in pattern or meter, caused by the accidental emphasis placed on a note by the mere act of crossing the string, as illustrated in the following figures.

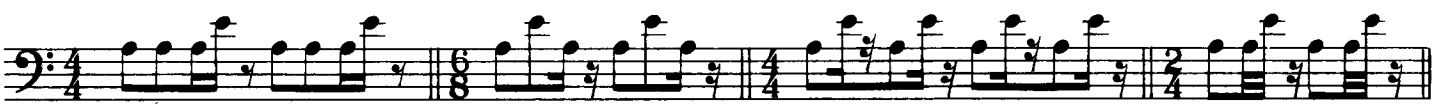
Alteration of pattern:



Alteration of meter:



Alteration of durational values:



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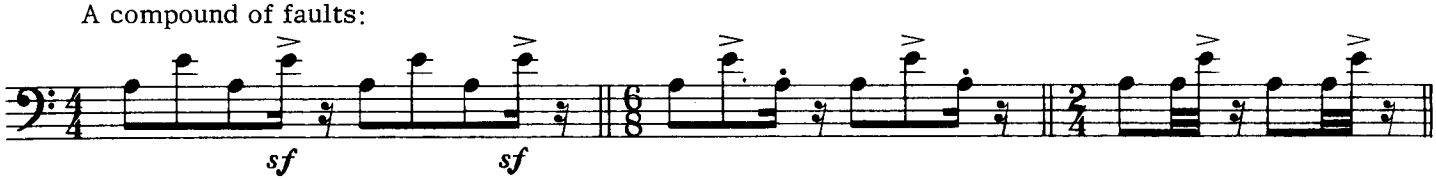
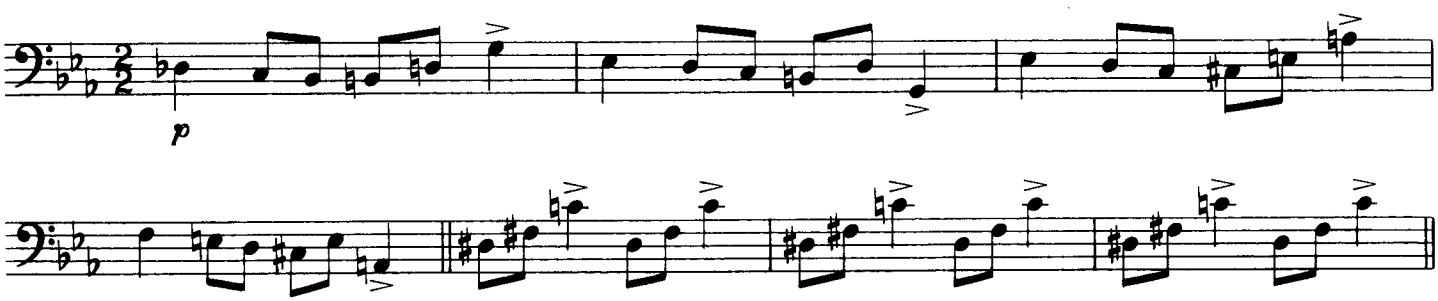


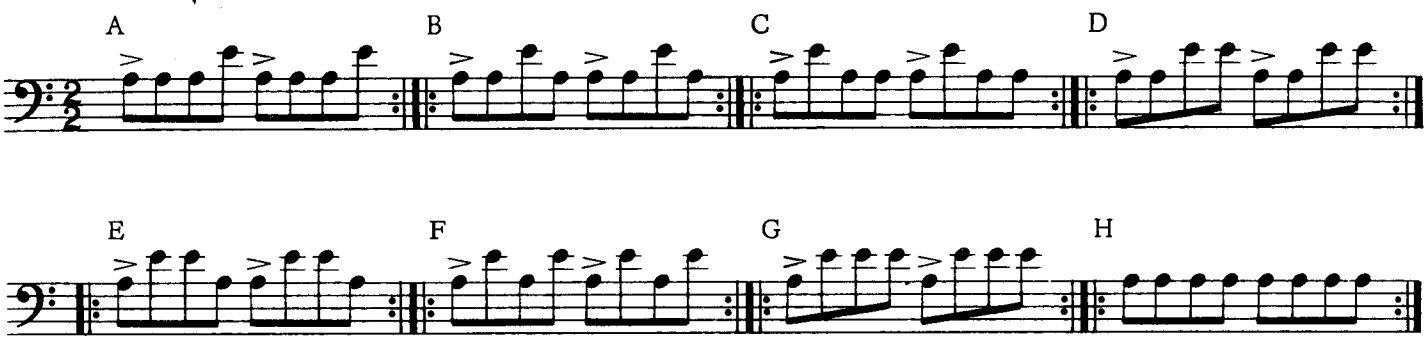
There are numerous instances, however, when non-metric beats are accented, as in the following excerpt, from the overture to *Der Freischütz*, by Carl Maria von Weber, in which the composer indicates a stronger emphasis on the last beats of the first four measures, and on the second and fourth beats of the following measures:



The metronome markings, suggested by the writer, are to be used for the practice of the various abstracted patterns throughout the sections of this book. It is advisable also to practice them one notch above as well as one notch below the metronome marks indicated.

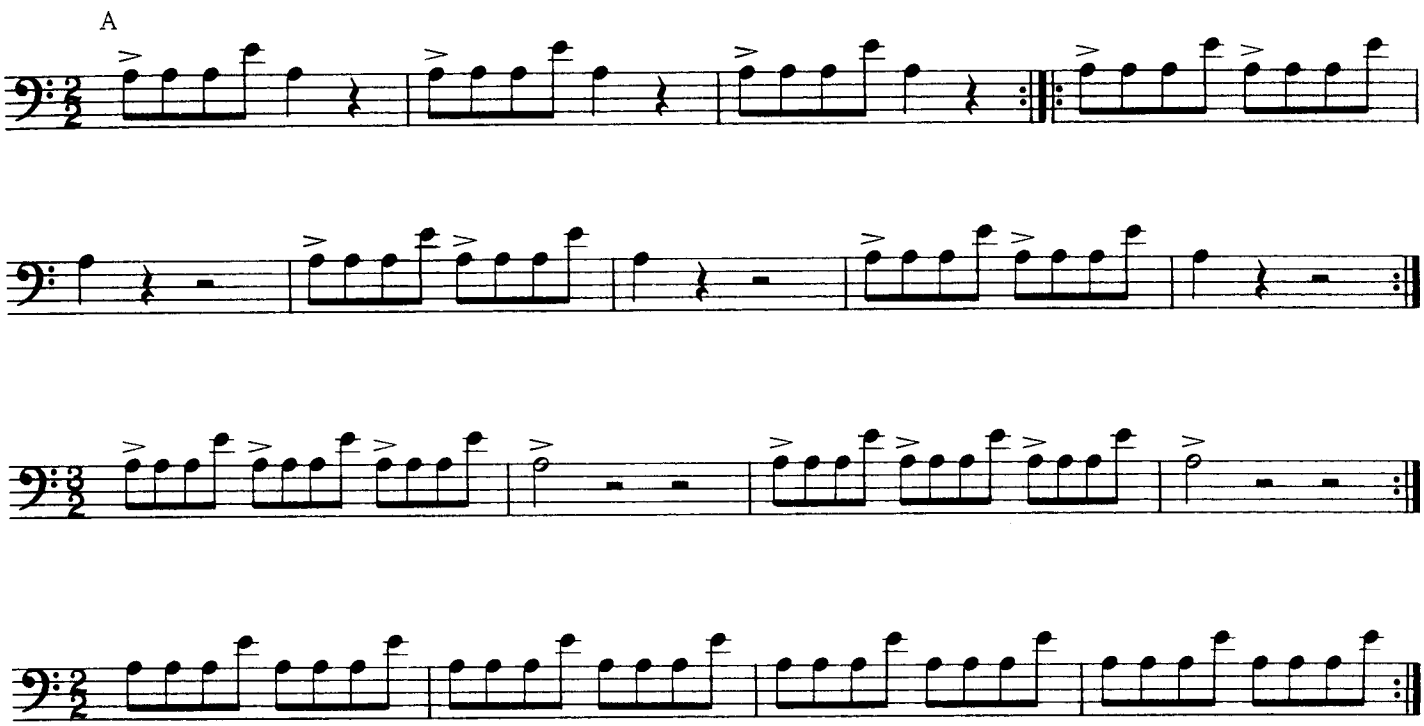
SECTION I

PATTERN I



SUGGESTED PROCEDURE FOR PRACTICE

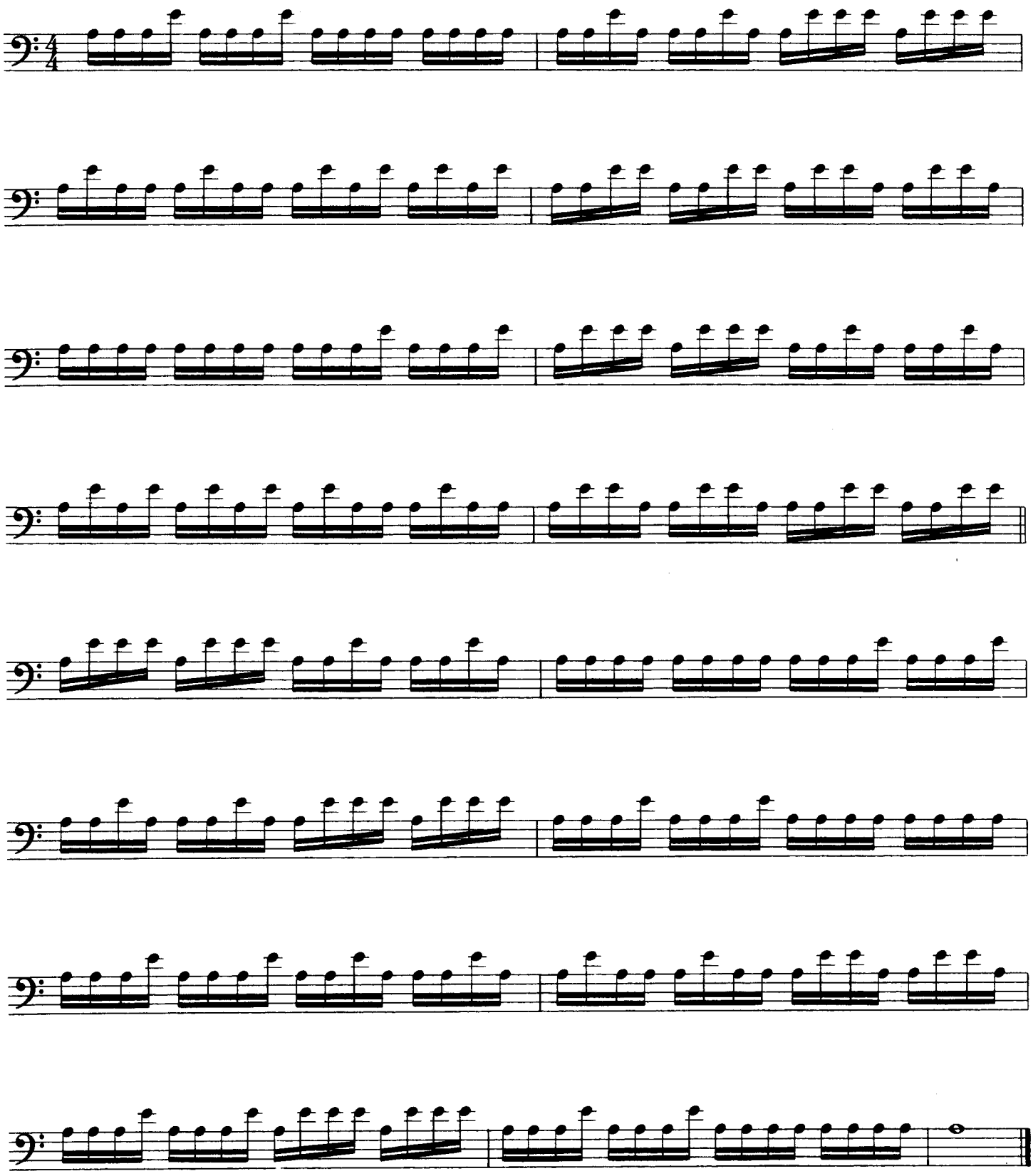
Begin each measure with the metronome set at ♩ = 72 (two beats to a measure). These are to be played with a détaché bowing; a smoothly articulated stroke with no pause or break between the notes. When the movements of the arm and hand feel comfortable and the crossing motion secure and well directed, advance the mark to ♩ = 88. Again, when these are played with a feeling of ease and control, advance to ♩ = 104. Play each measure keeping the metronome at ♩ = 104, using a spiccato bowing. When these are played with a sense of ease and control, increase the metronome marking step-wise to ♩ = 116 and ♩ = 126. At an advanced marking of ♩ = 132 to ♩ = 152, the bow is again moved with a rapid détaché bowing.



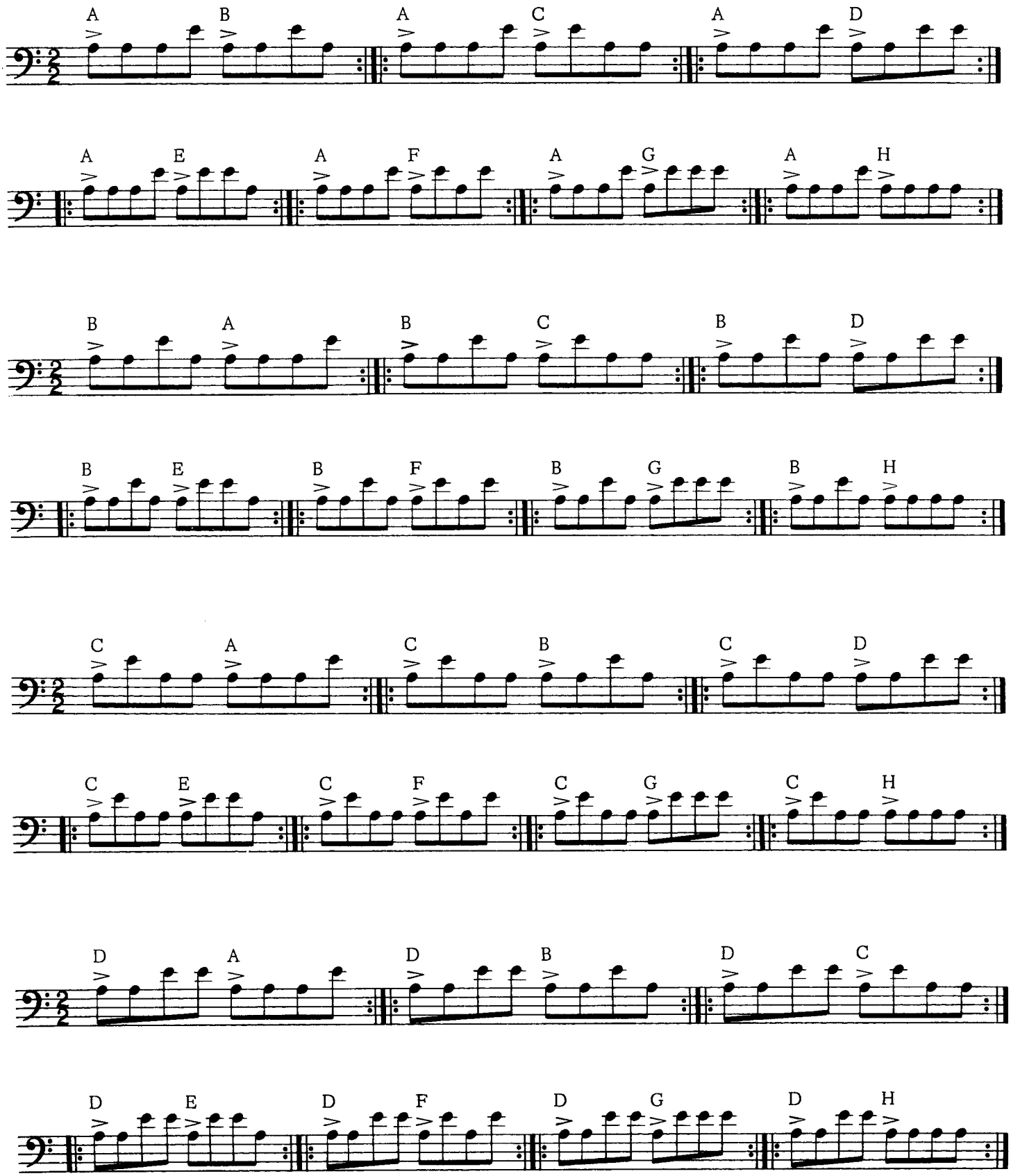
ETUDE

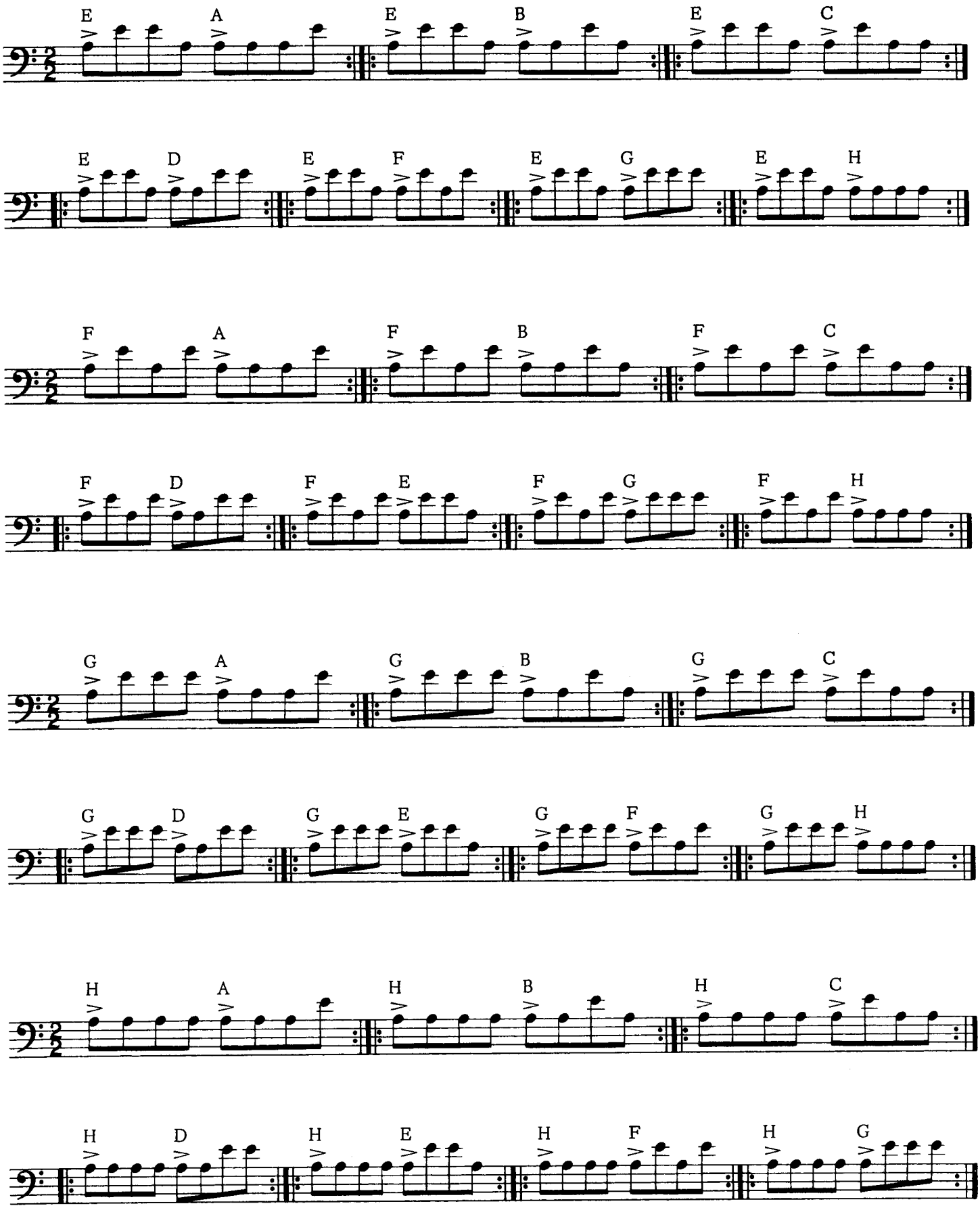
PATTERN I

♩ = 92 *(spiccato)*, ♩ = 126 *(détaché)*



PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN I




E A E B E C
E D E F E G E H
F A F B F C
F D F E F G F H
G A G B G C
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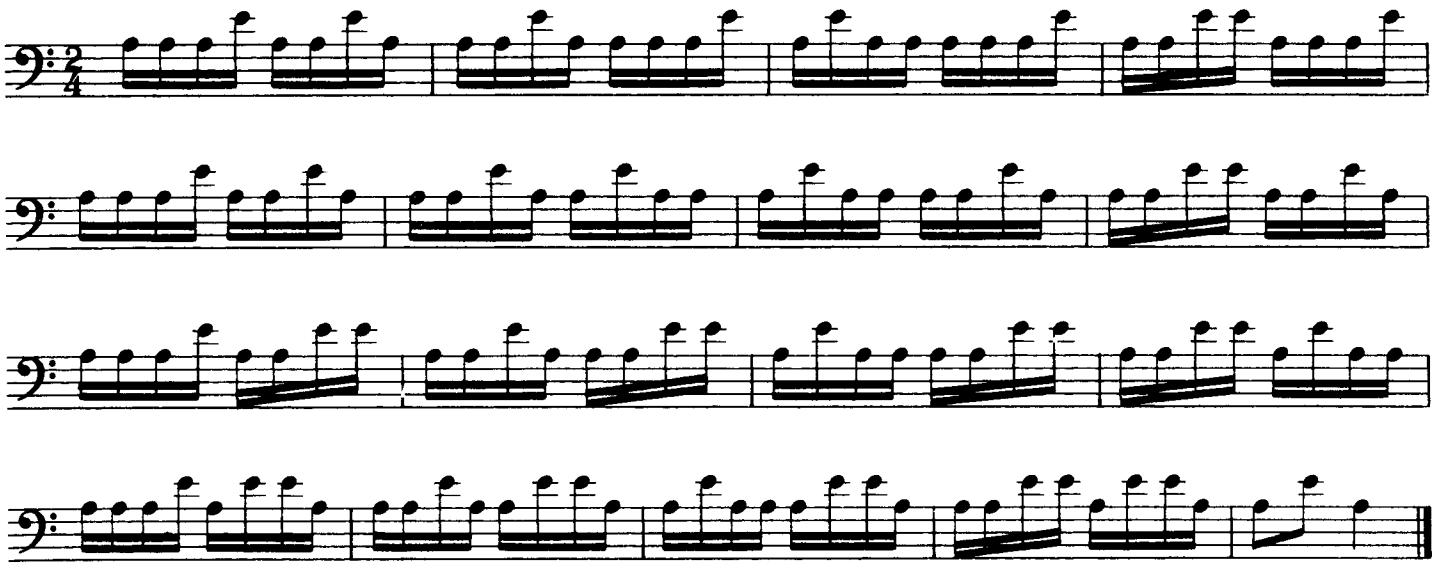
H A H B H C
H D H E H F H G

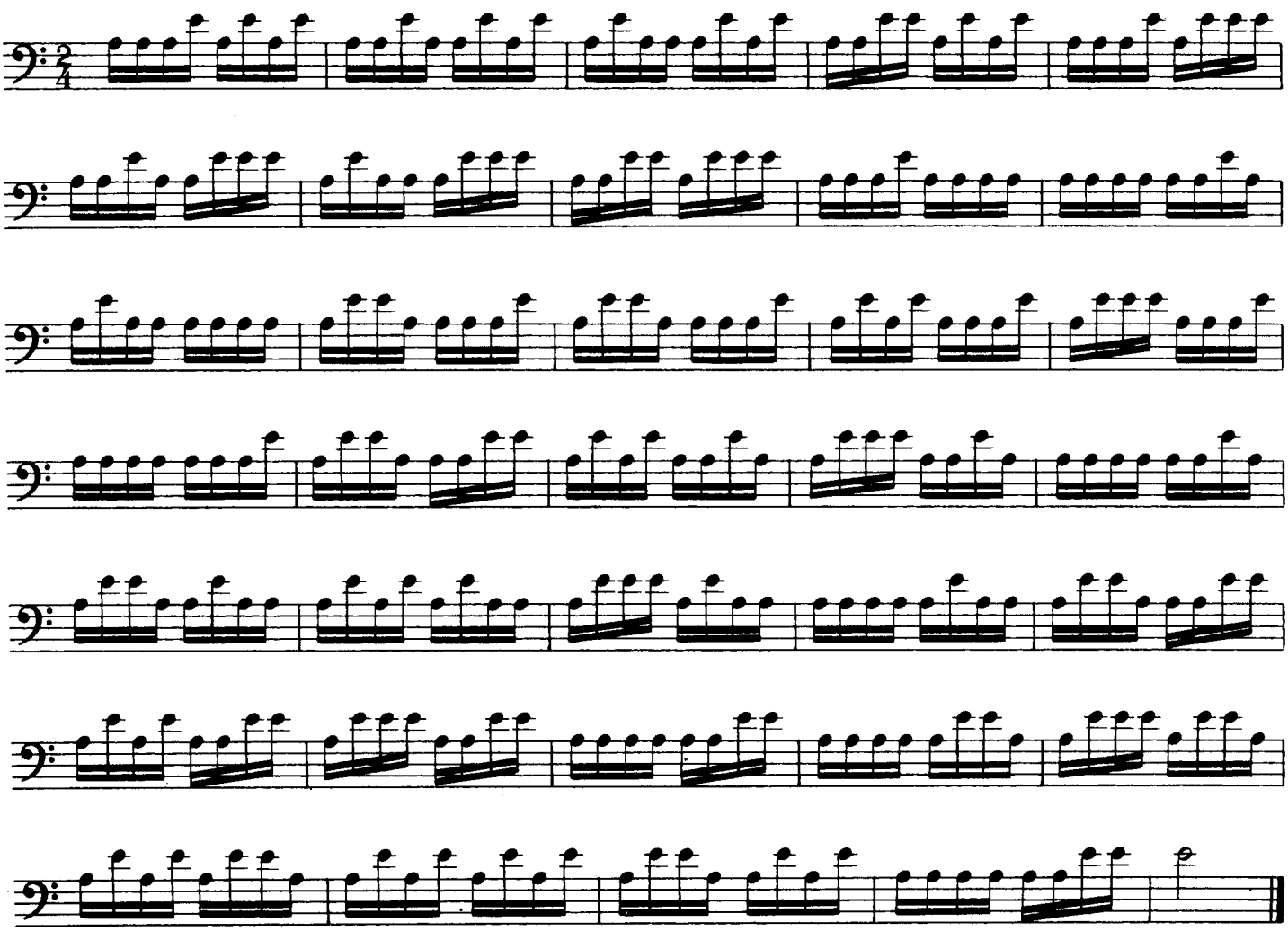
ETUDES

PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN I

Allegro ♩ = 96 *(spiccato)*



Allegro molto ♩ = 112 *(spiccato)*



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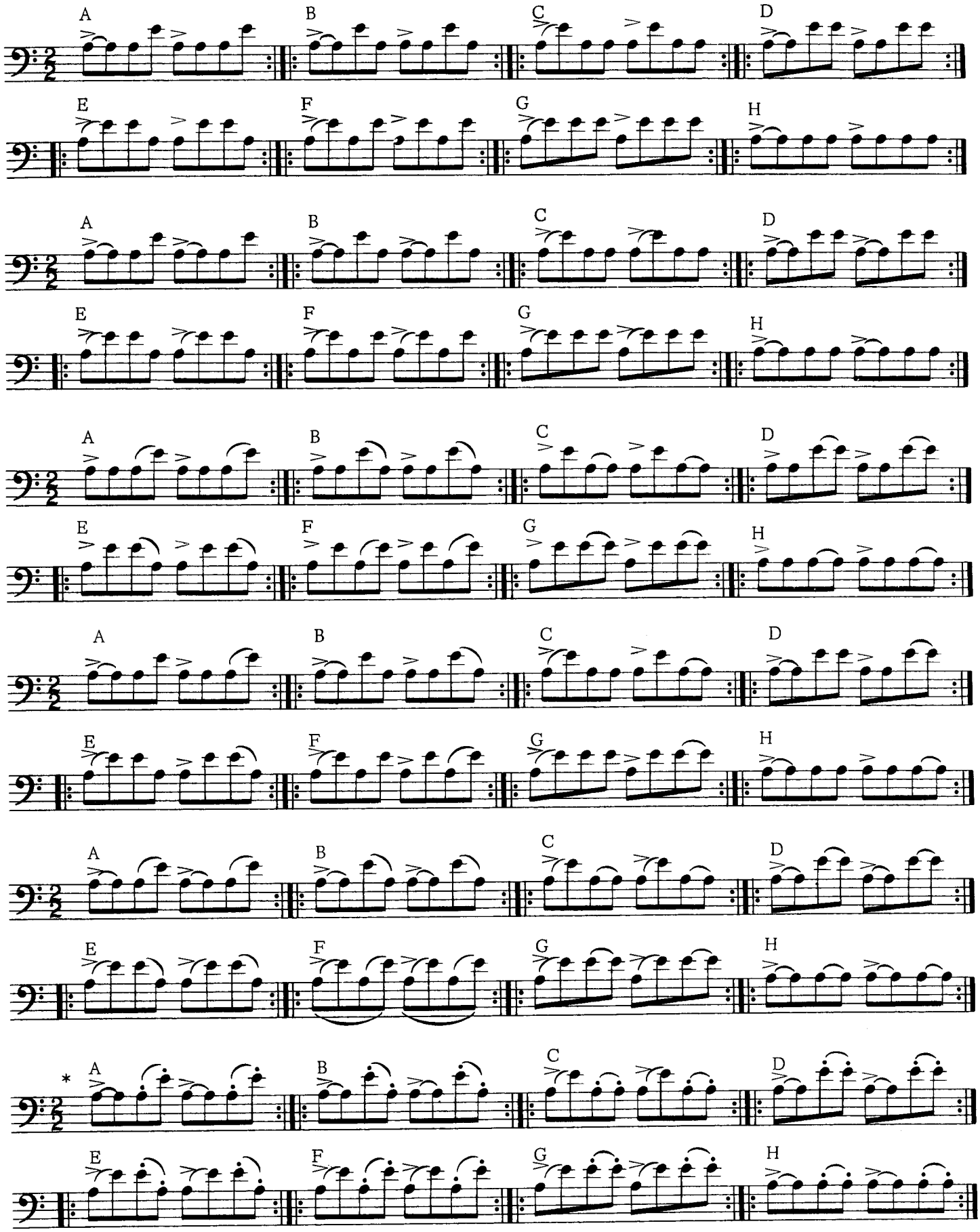
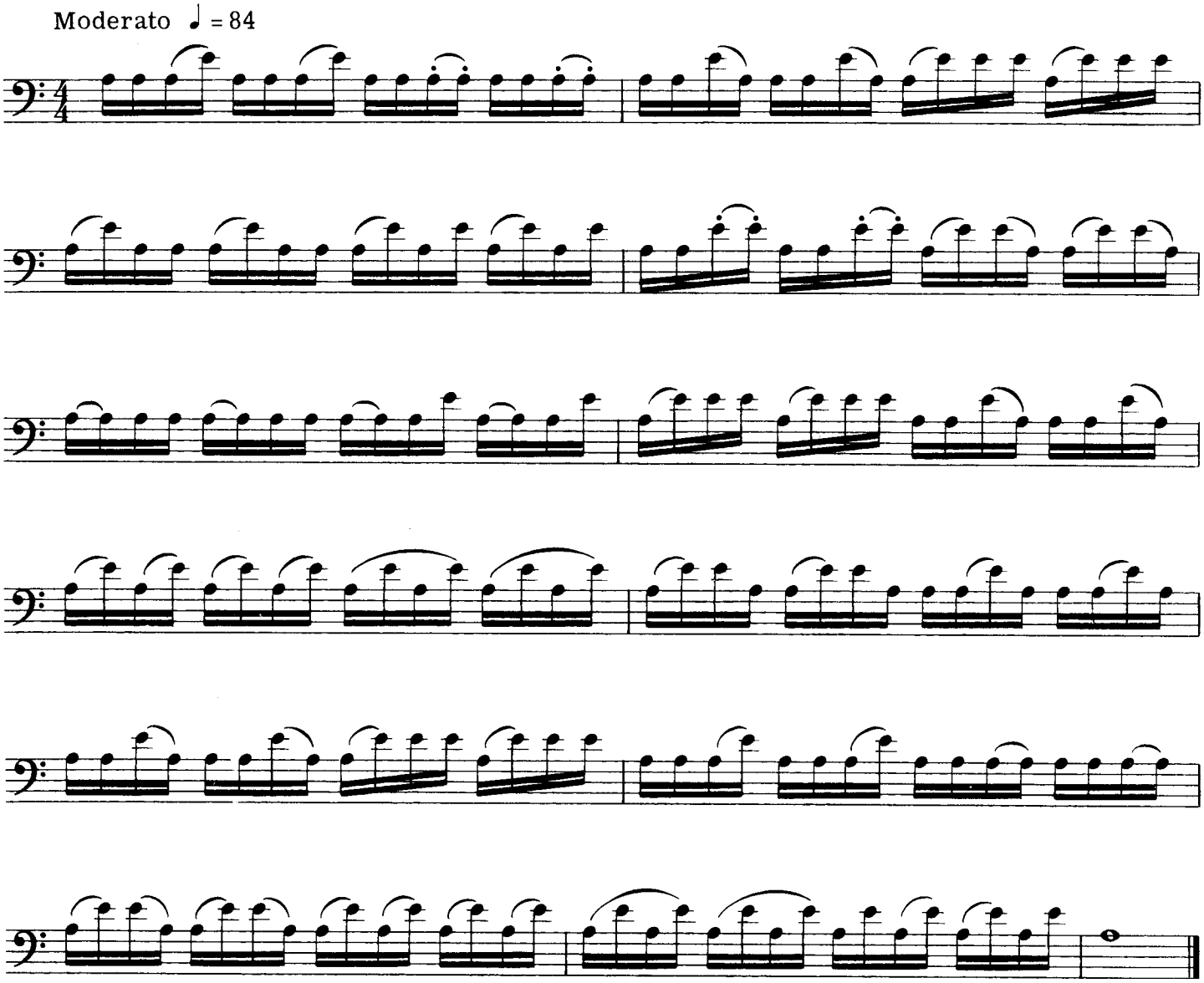


*The dotted notes are to be played alternately on the string *(Staccato)* and off the string *(Flying Spiccato)*.

ETUDE

BOWINGS (PATTERN I)



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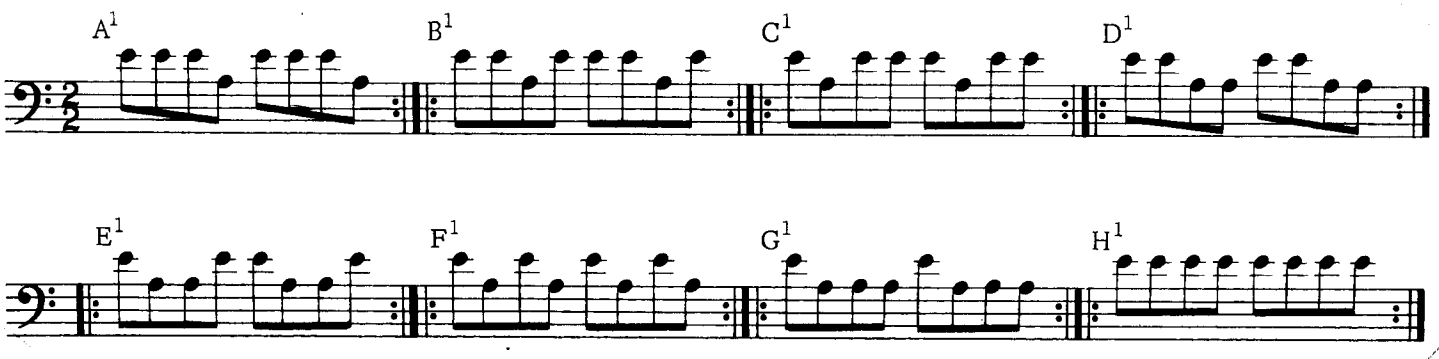
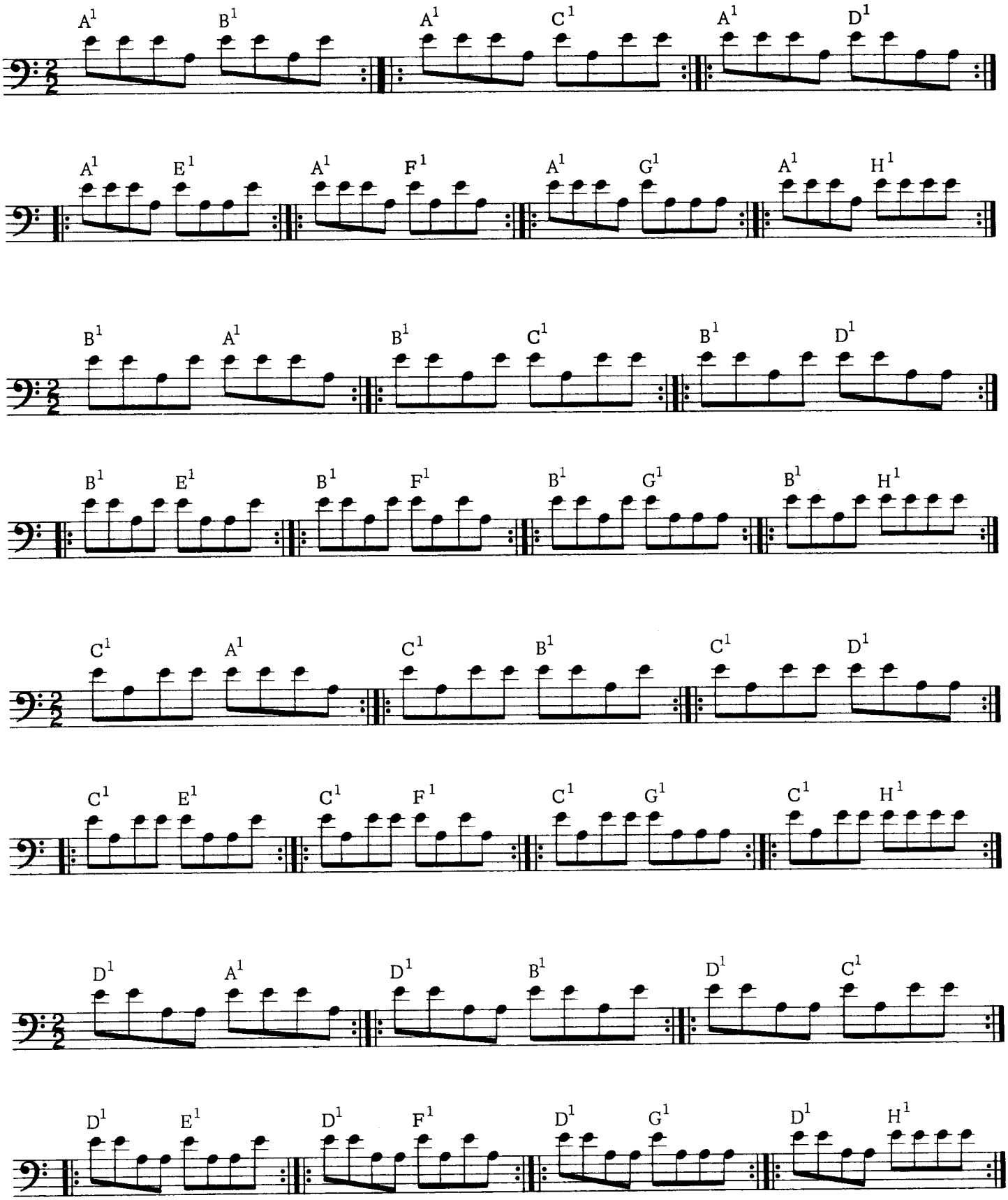
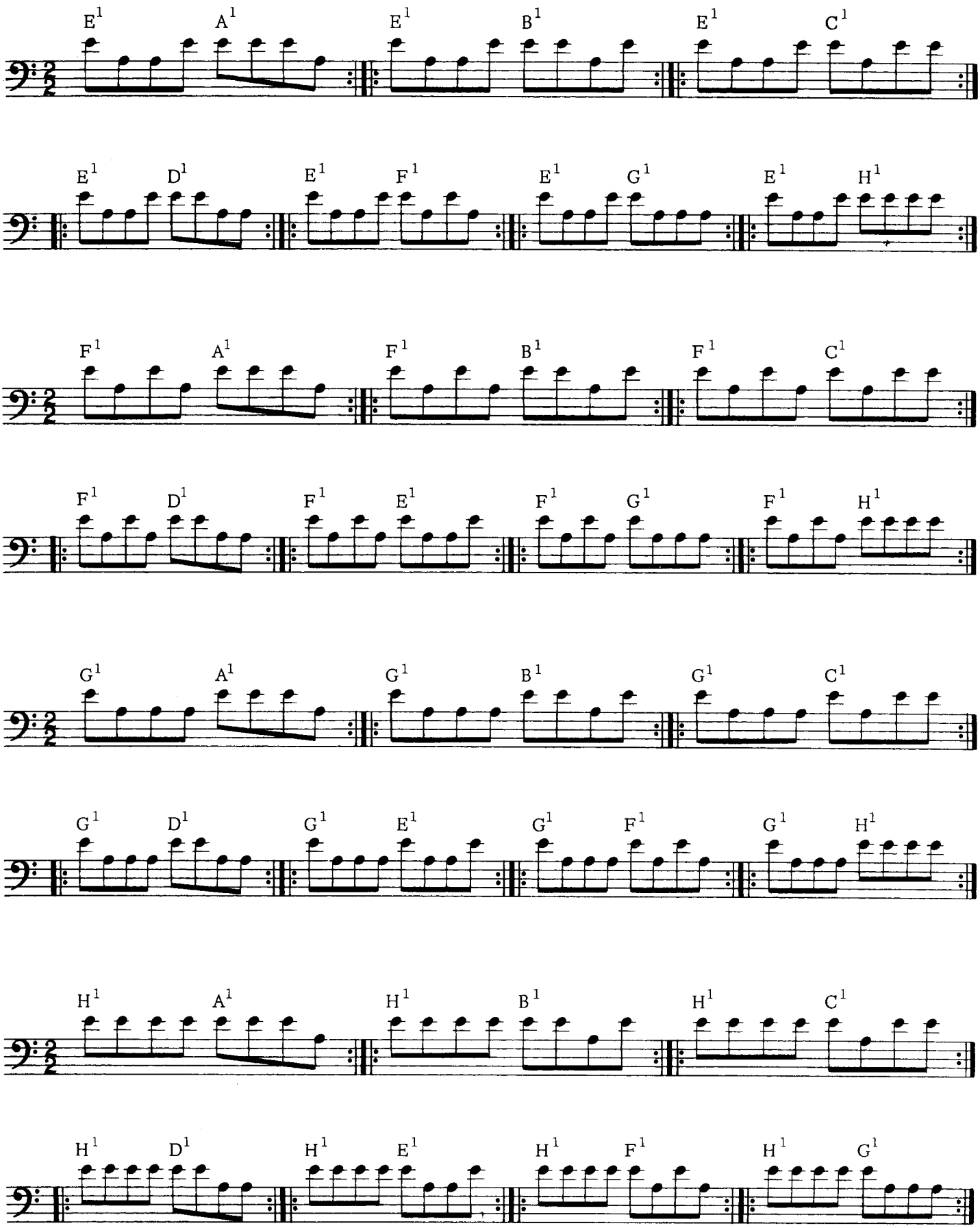


PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN II

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G1 A1 G1 B1 G1 C1
G1 D1 G1 E1 G1 F1 G1 H1
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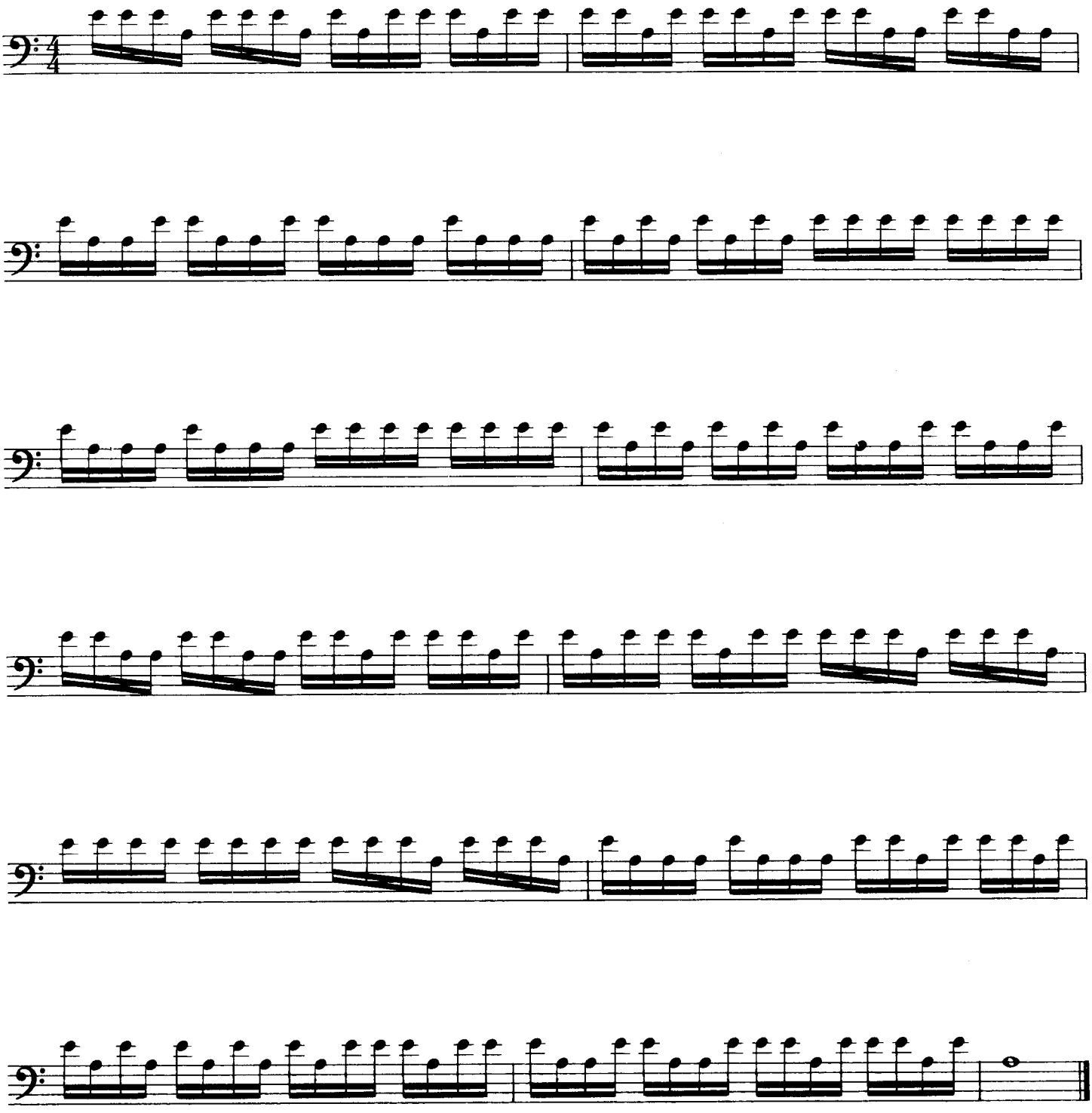
ETUDE

PATTERN II

Allegro con brio ♩ = 100



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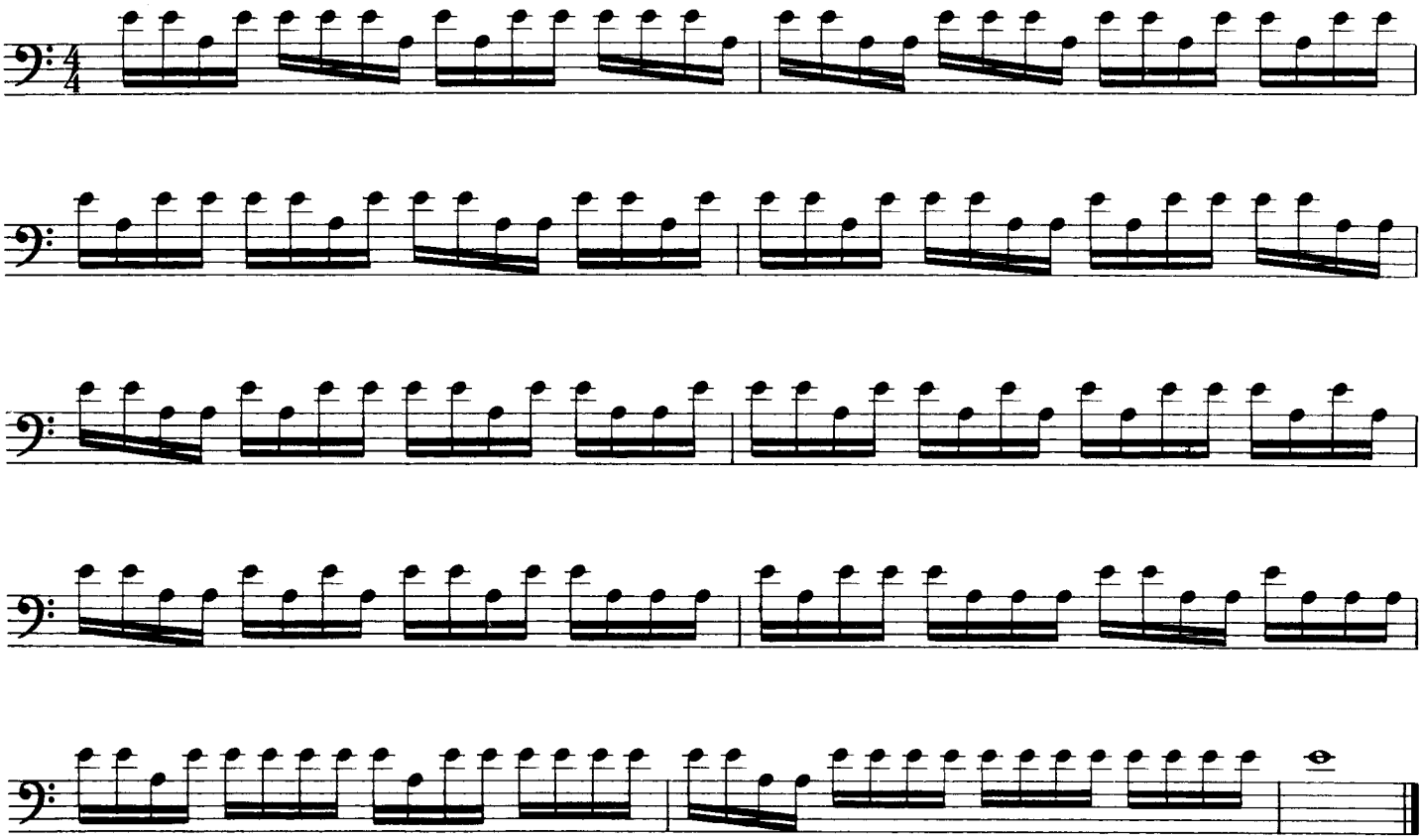
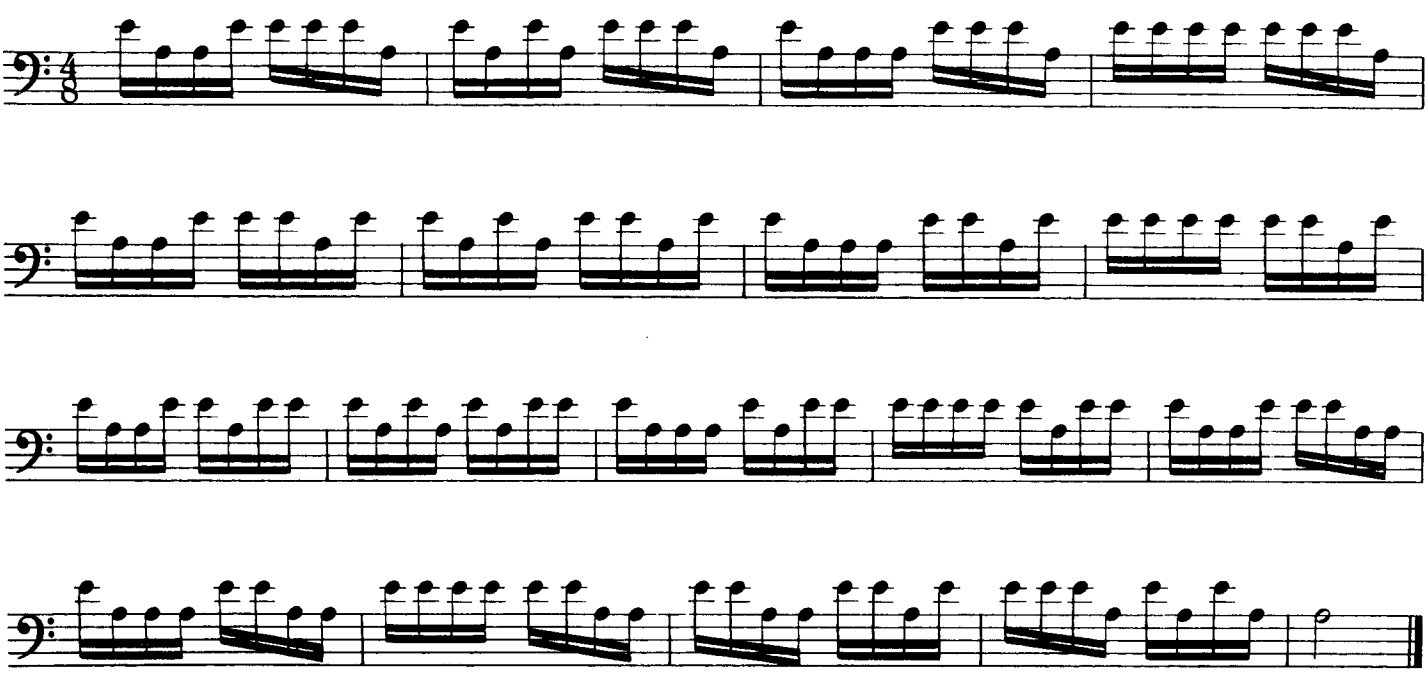
PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN II

Allegro non troppo ♩ = 88

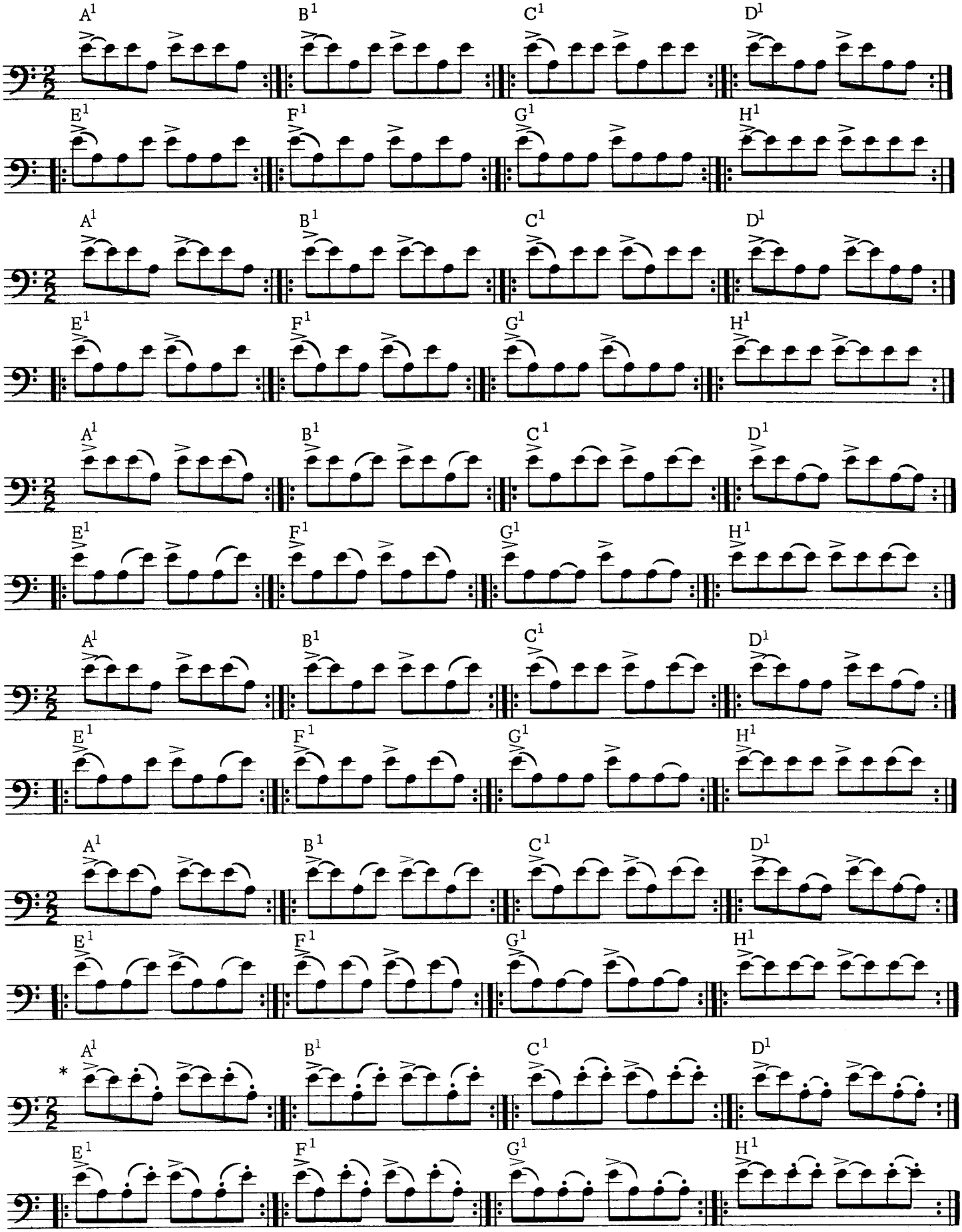


Allegro ♩ = 92



BOWINGS

PATTERN II

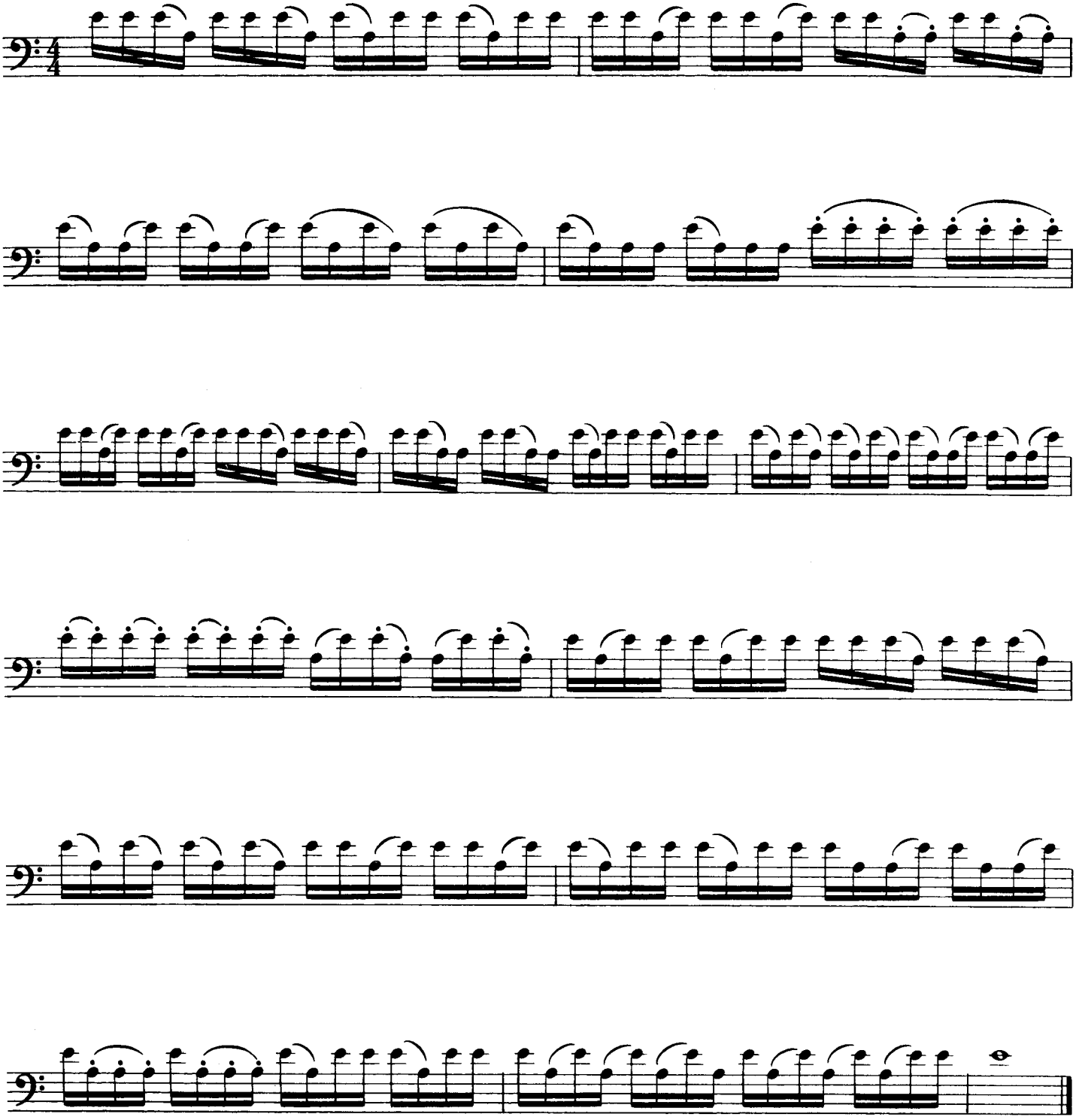


*The dotted notes are to be played alternately on the string *(Staccato)* and off the string *(Flying Spiccato)*.

ETUDE

BOWINGS (PATTERN II)

Moderato ♩ = 69 to Allegro ♩ = 96



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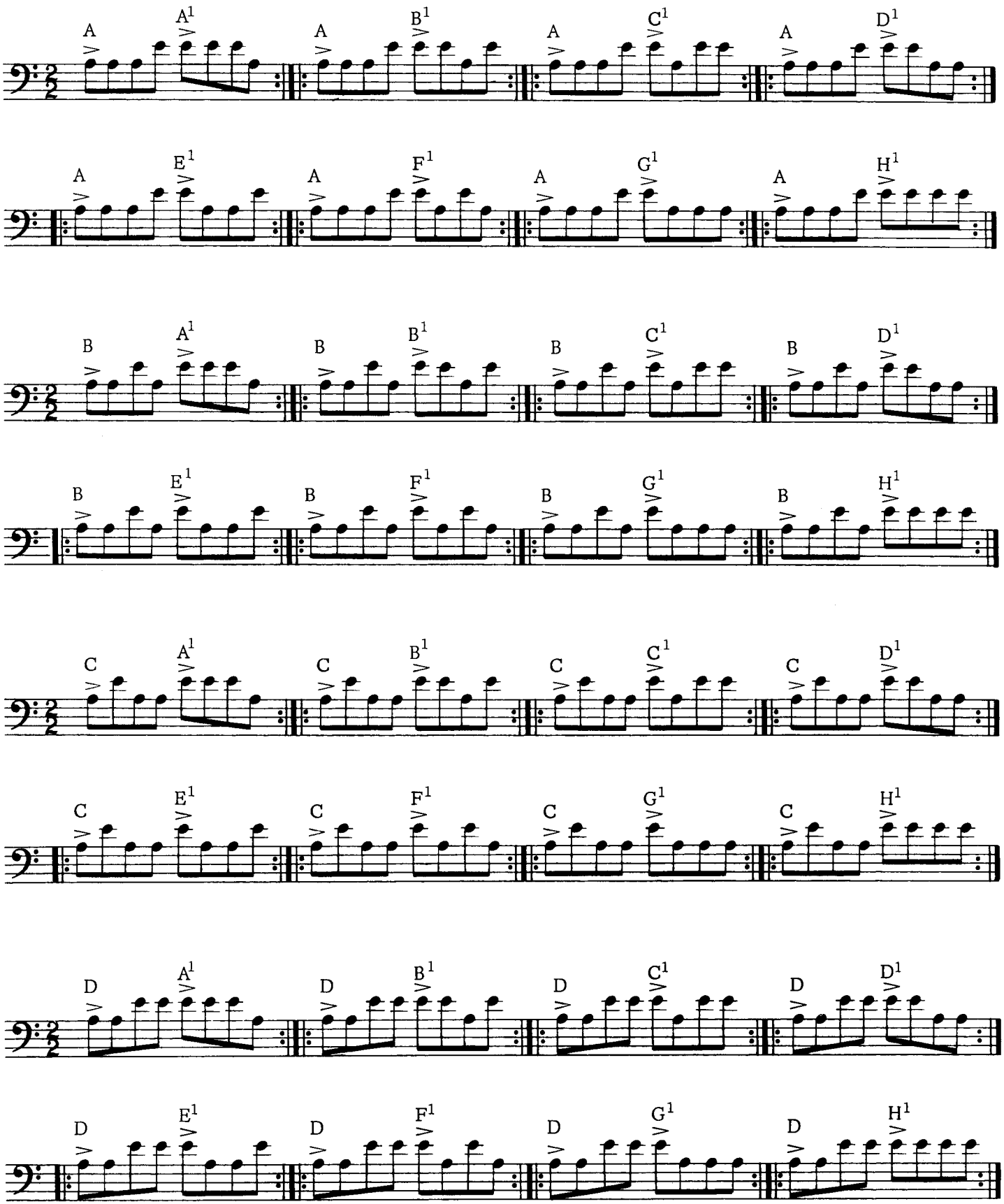

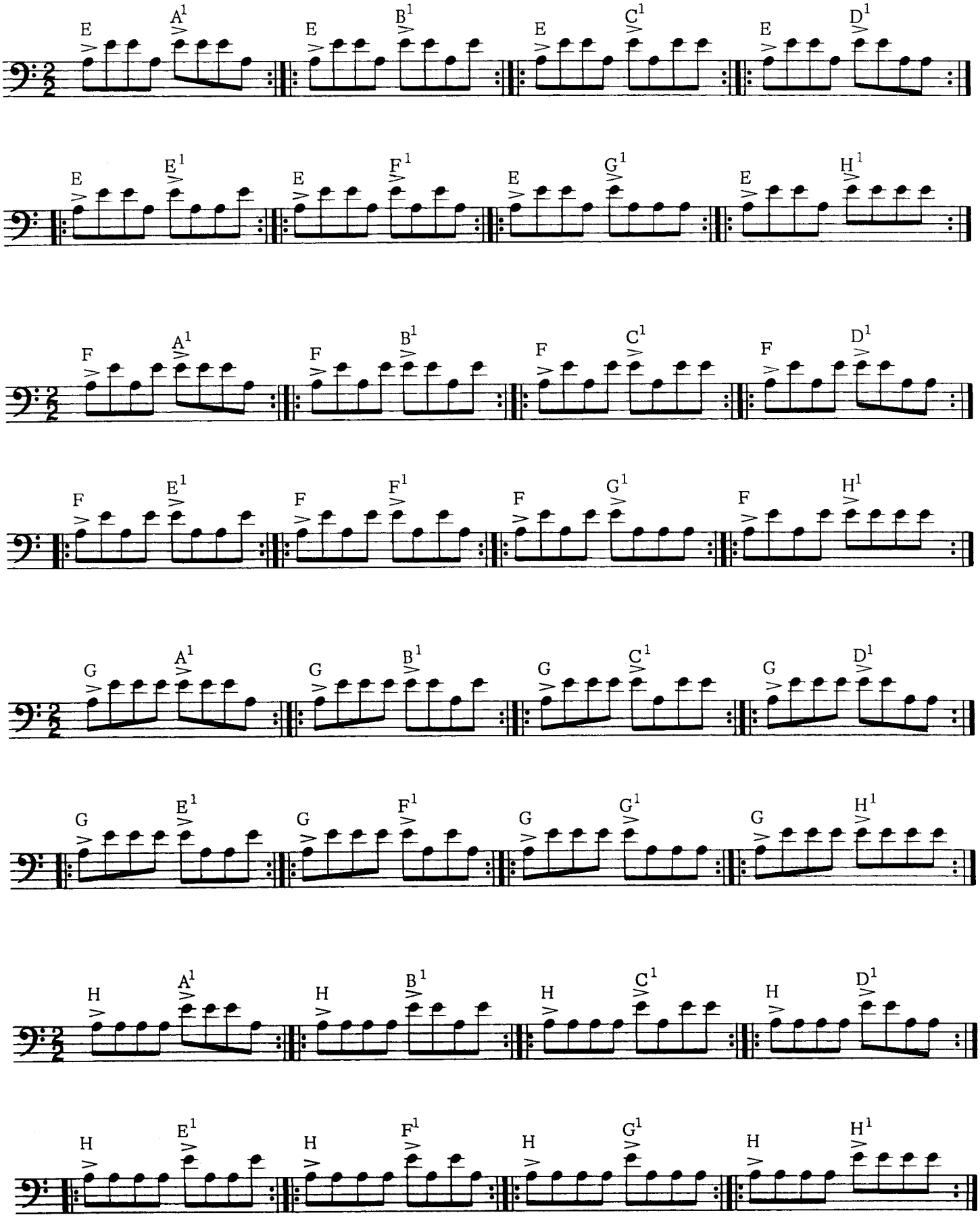
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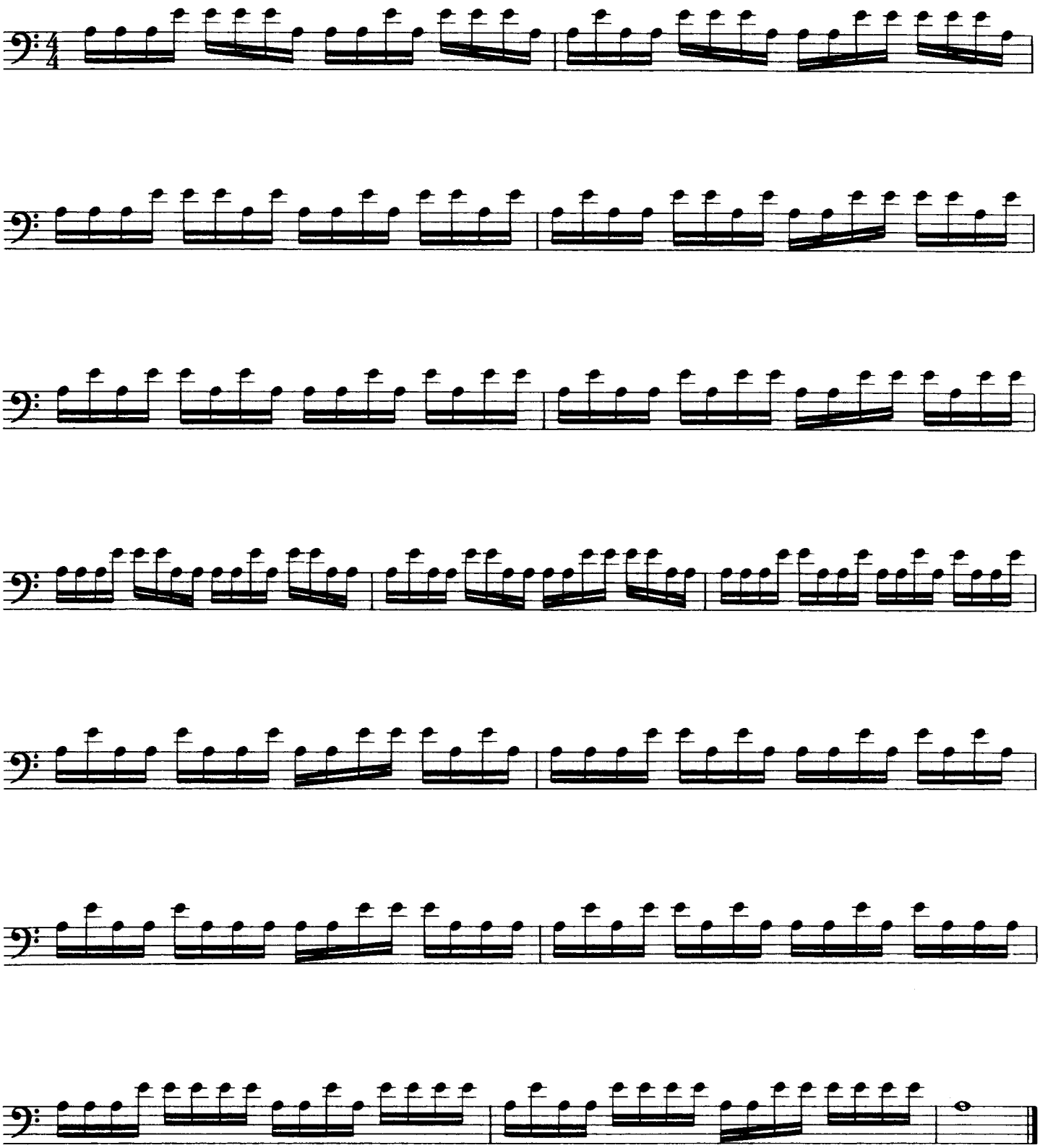
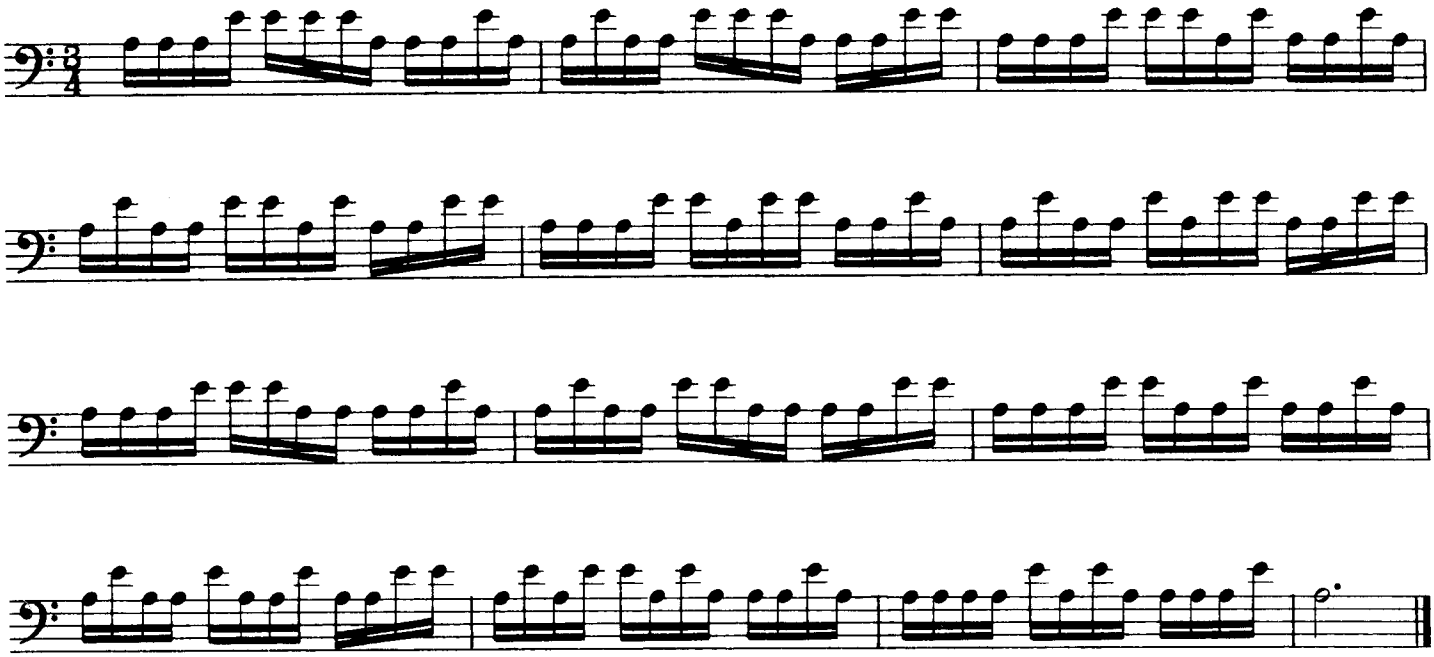
ETUDES

PEMUTATIONS OF PATTERNS I & II

Vivo ♩ = 126 *(spiccato)*



Allegro di molto ♩ = 112



This exercise is to be practiced with a Martelé bowing; each note beginning with a sharp attack and separated from the next note.

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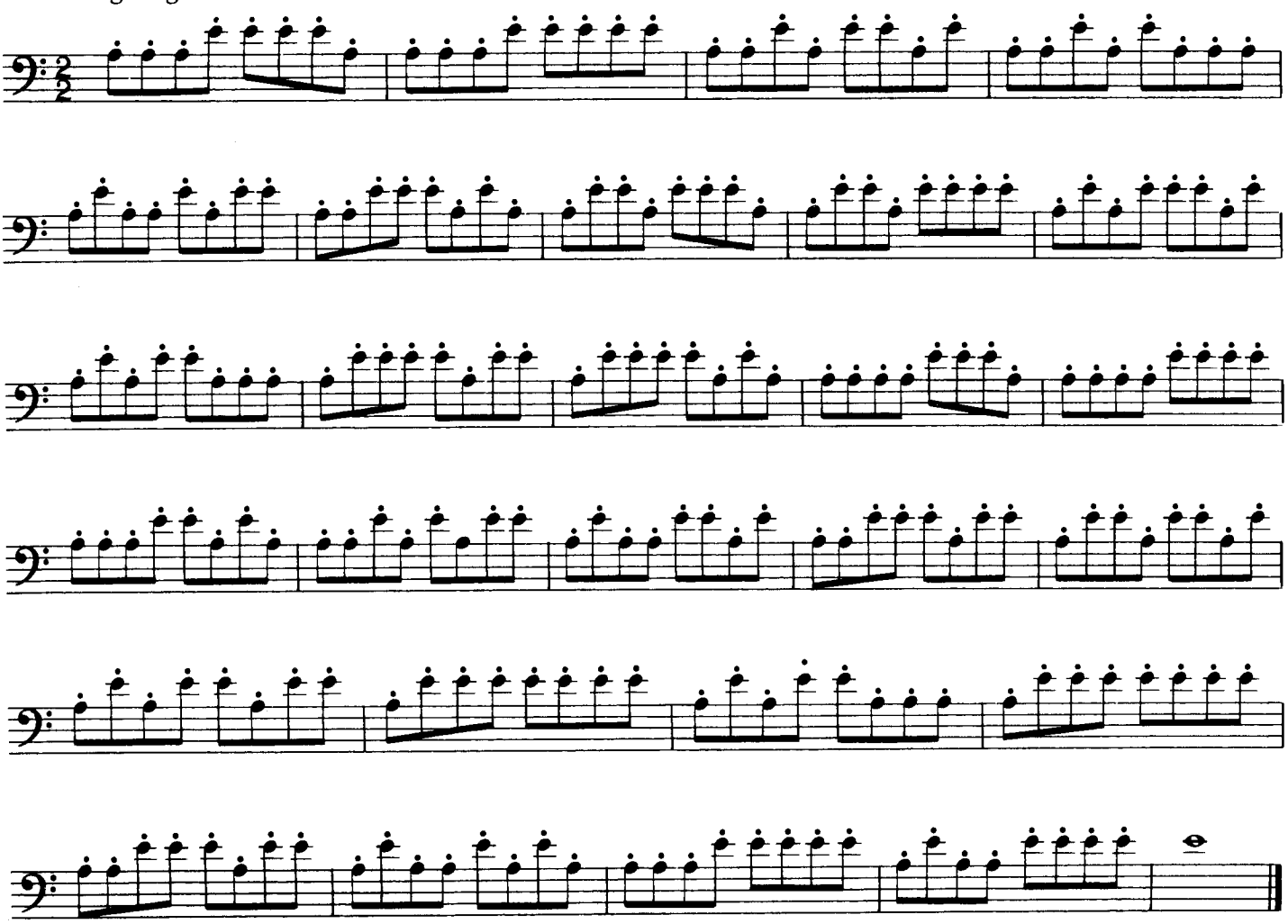

ETUDES

BOWINGS (PATTERNS I & II)

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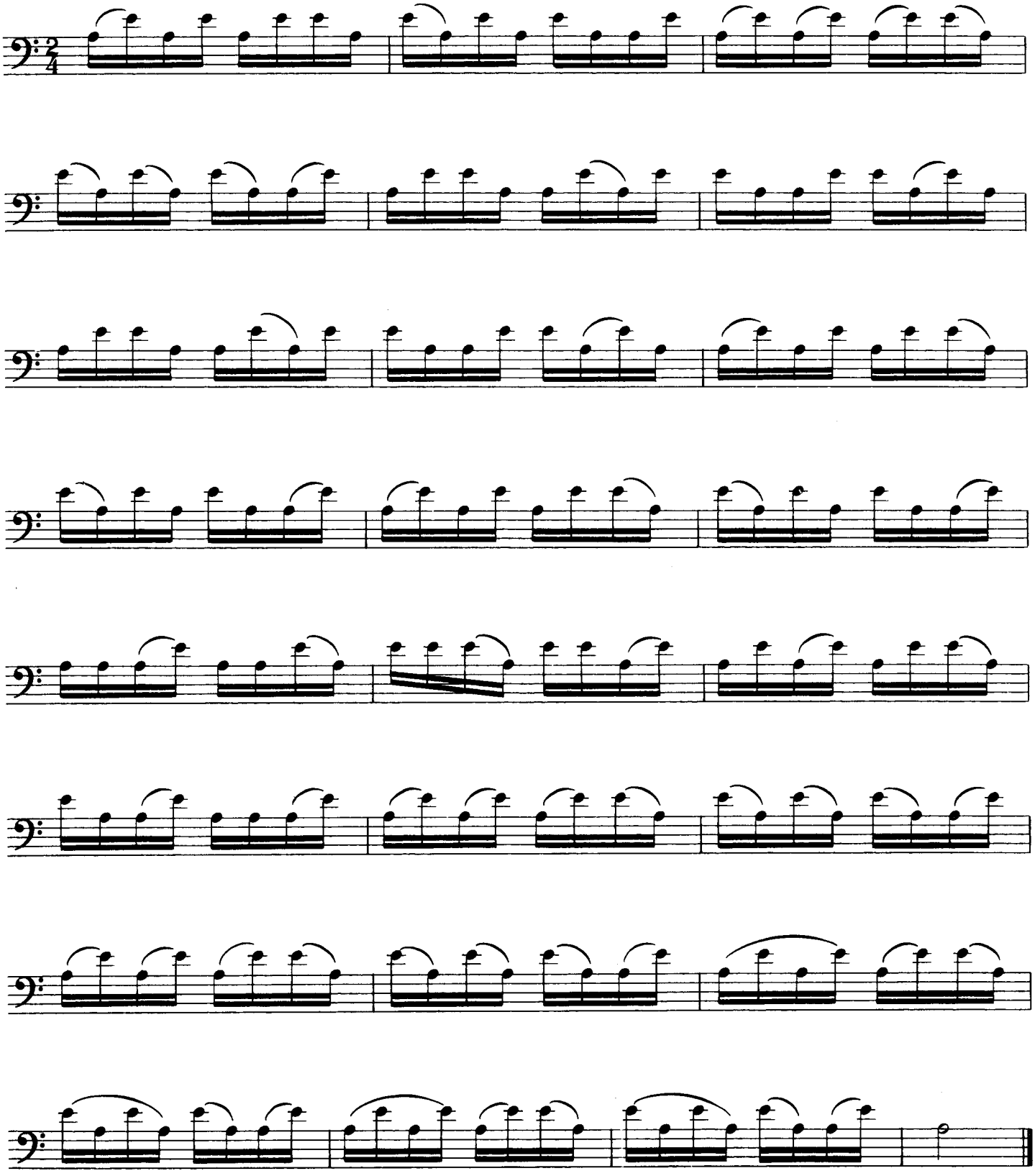

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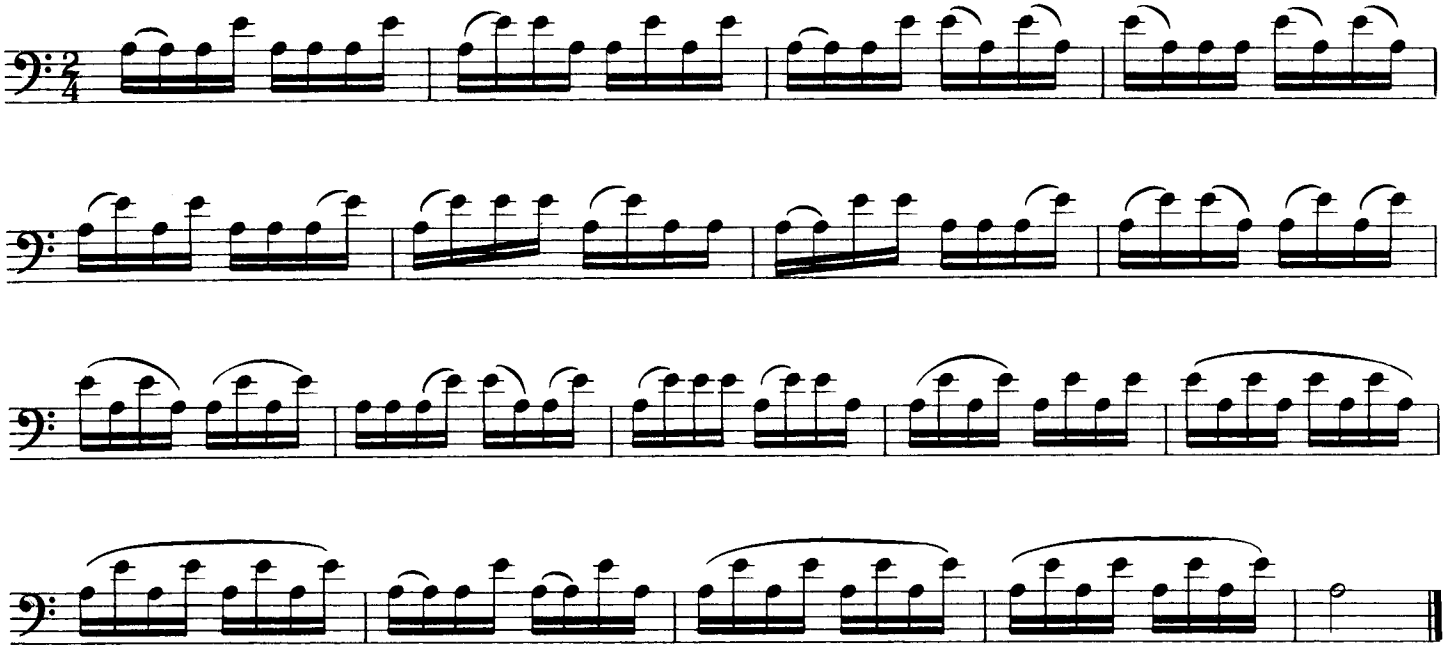

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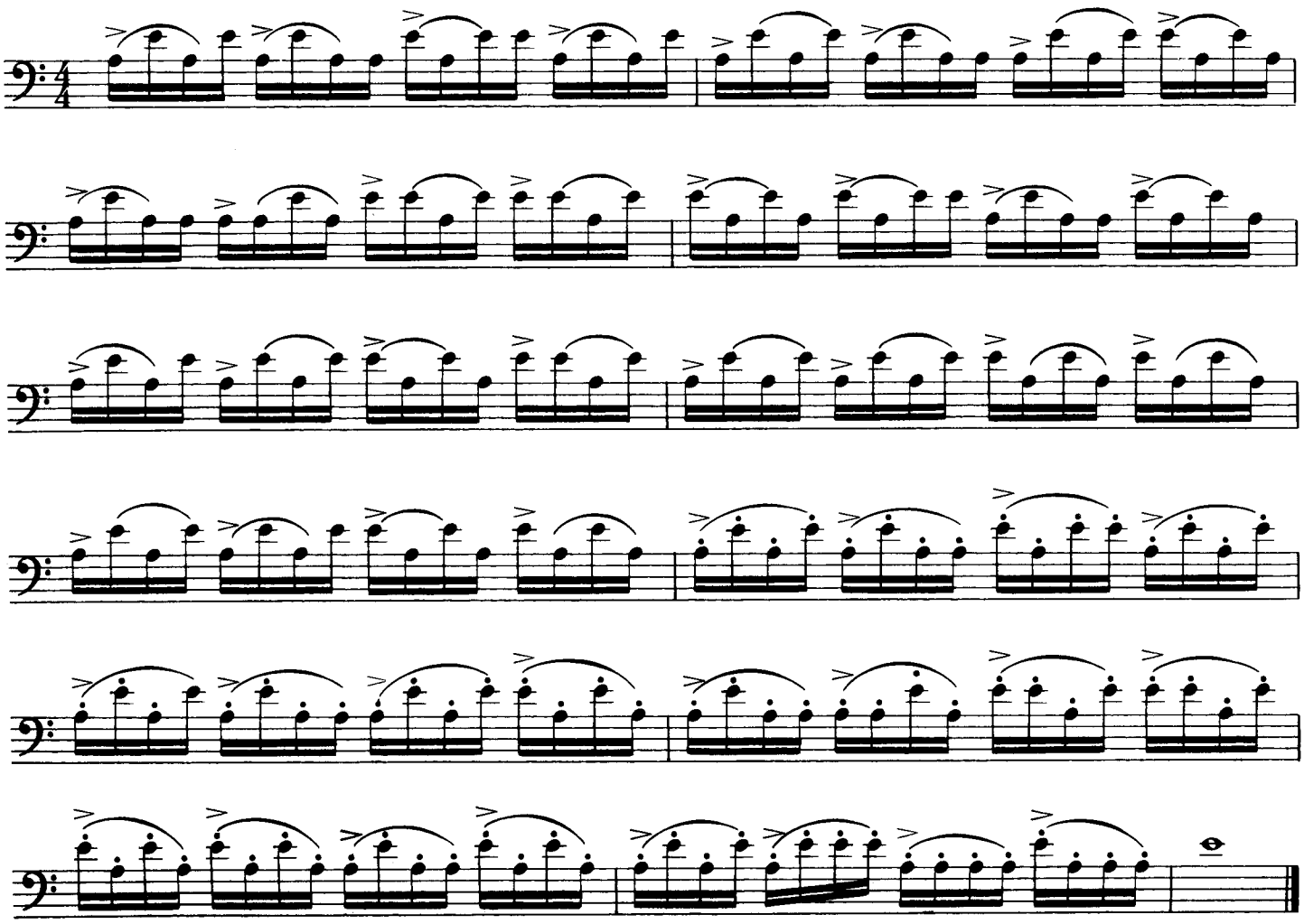

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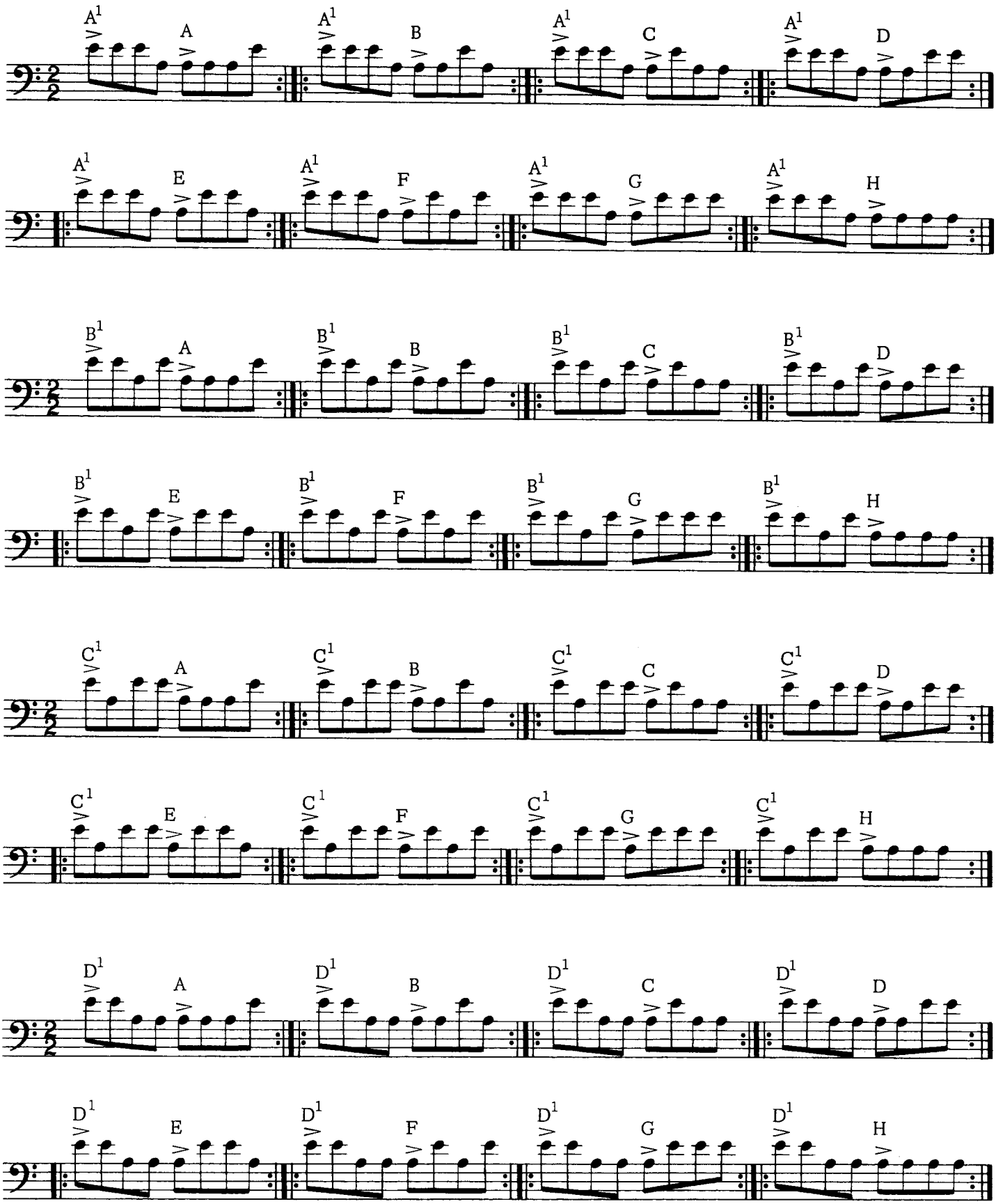

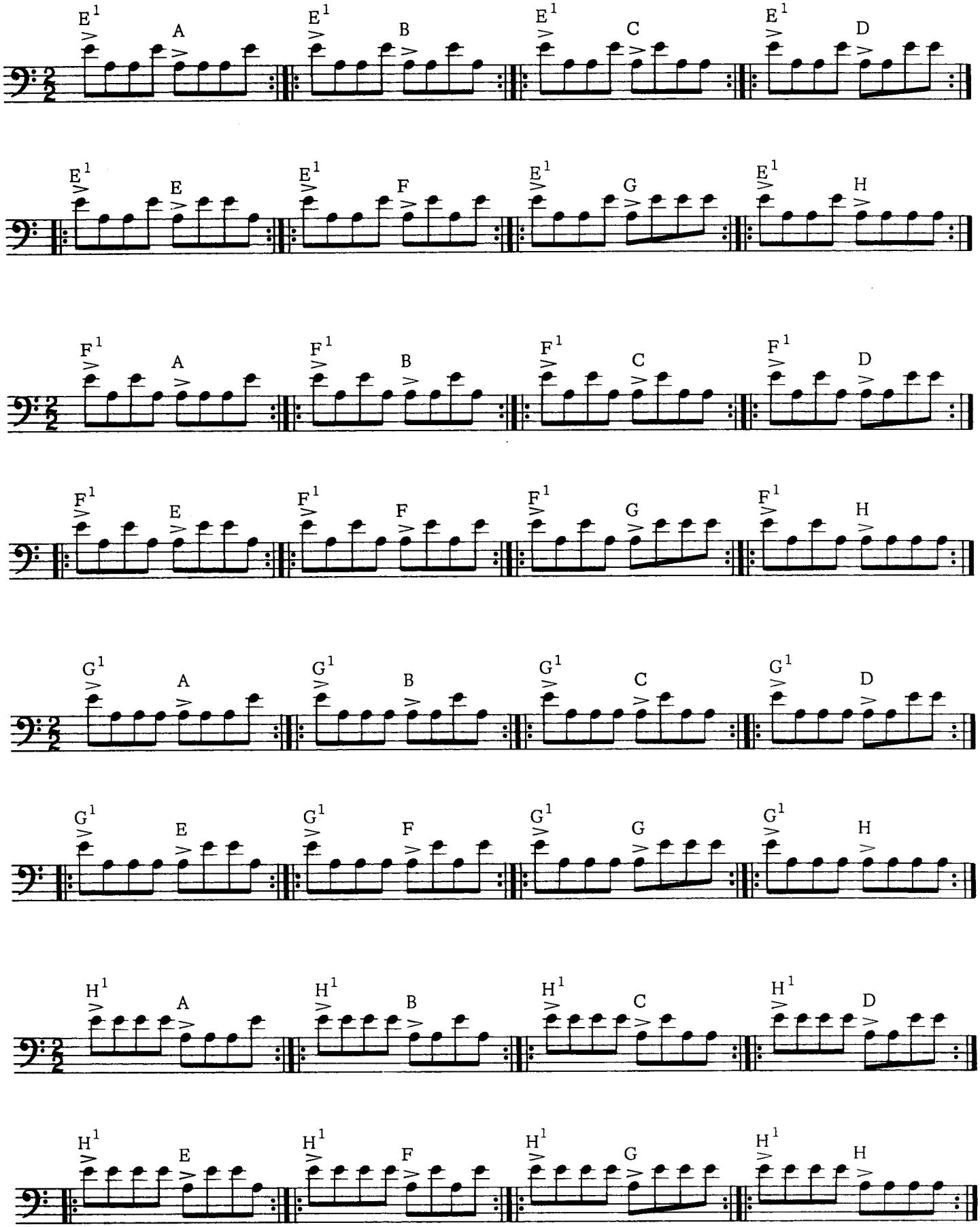
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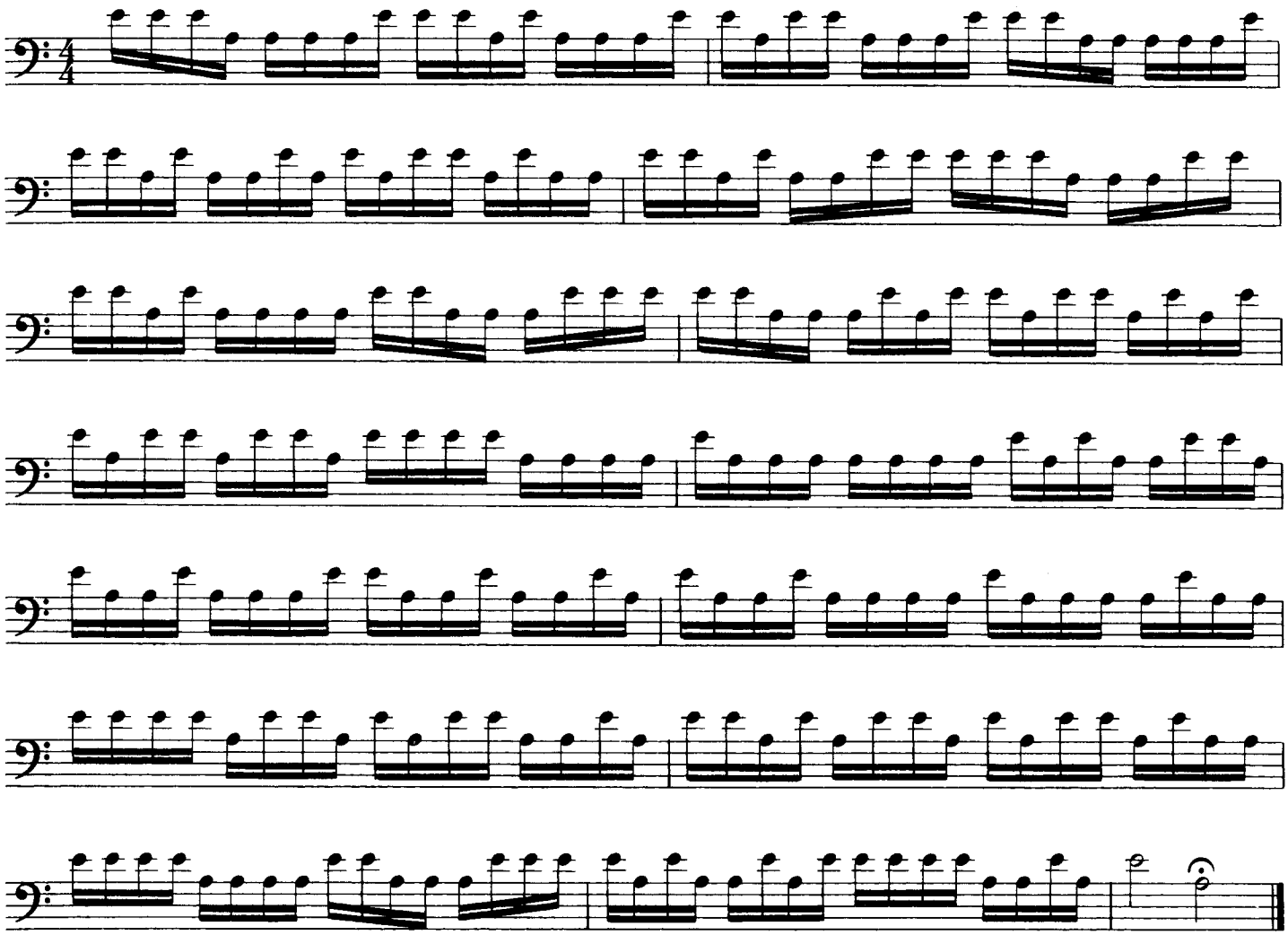
ETUDES

PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERNS II & I

Allegro ♩ = 92



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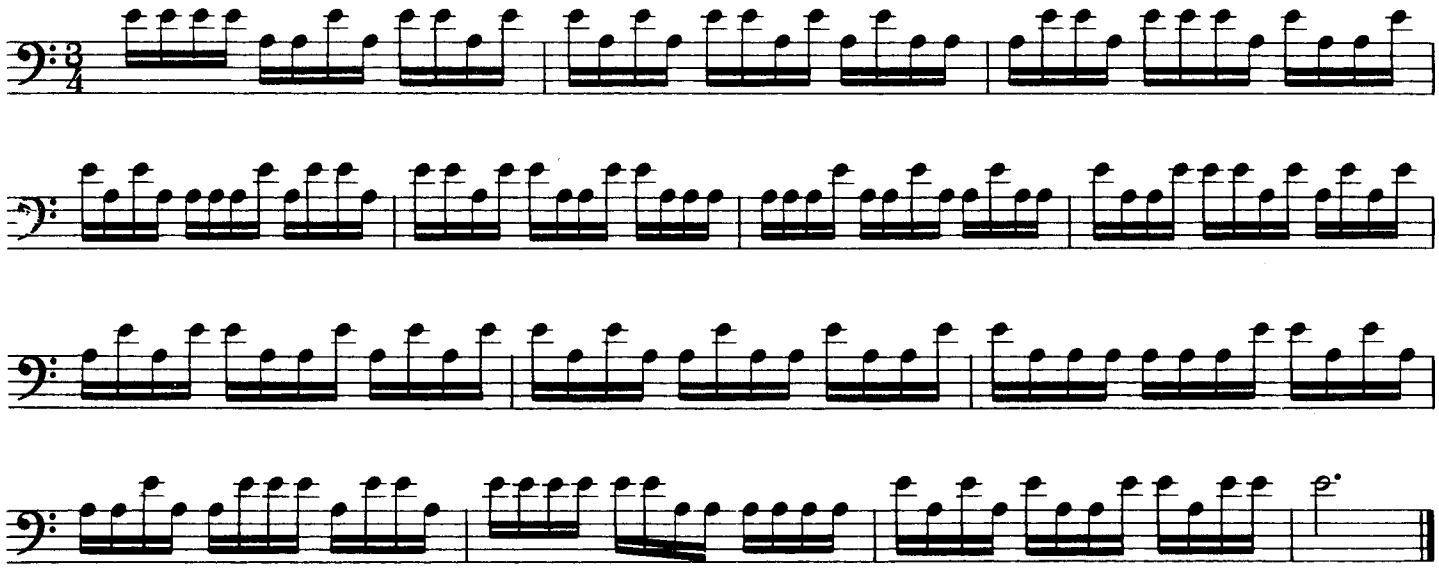

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BOWINGS (PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERNS II & I)

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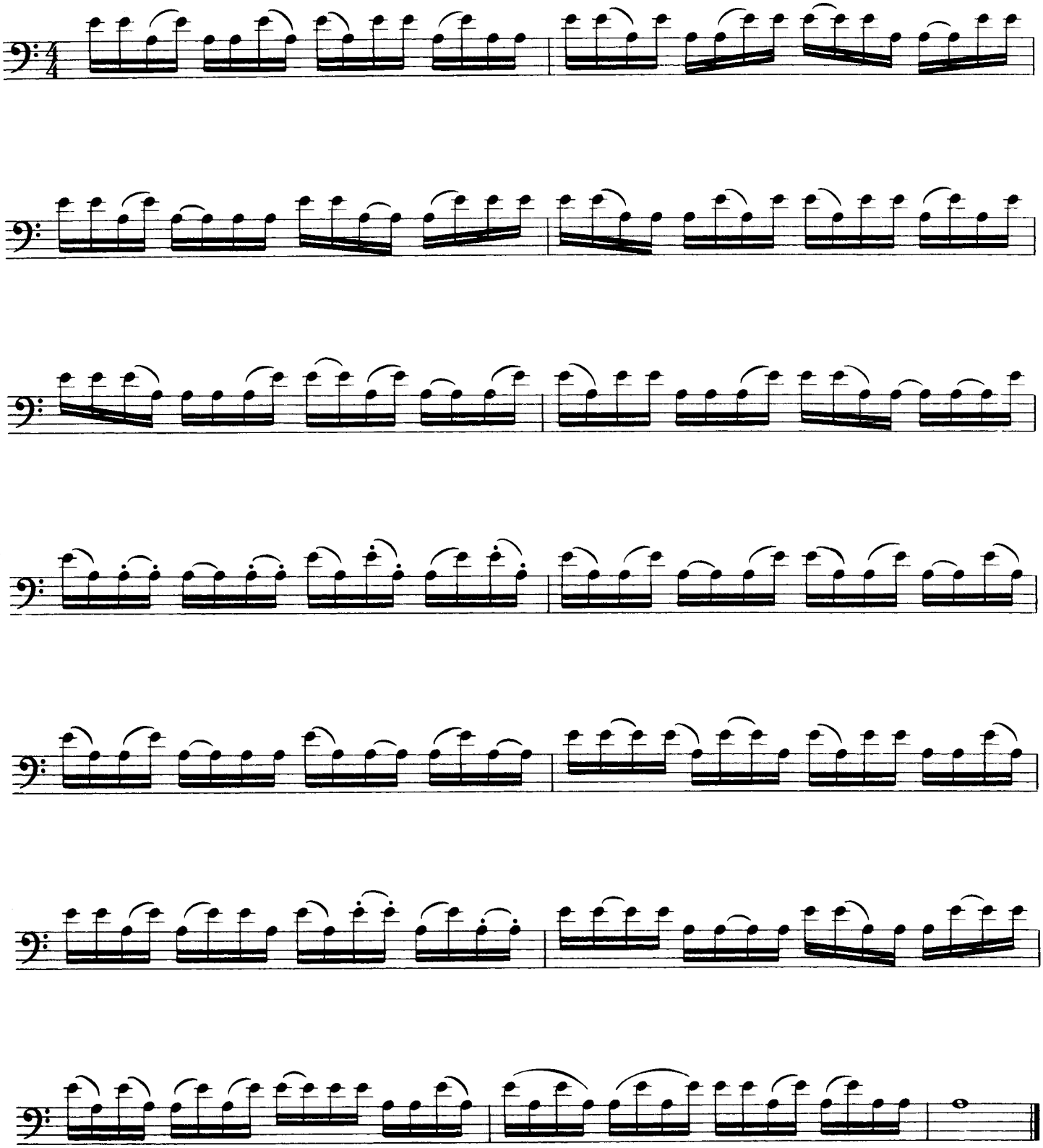
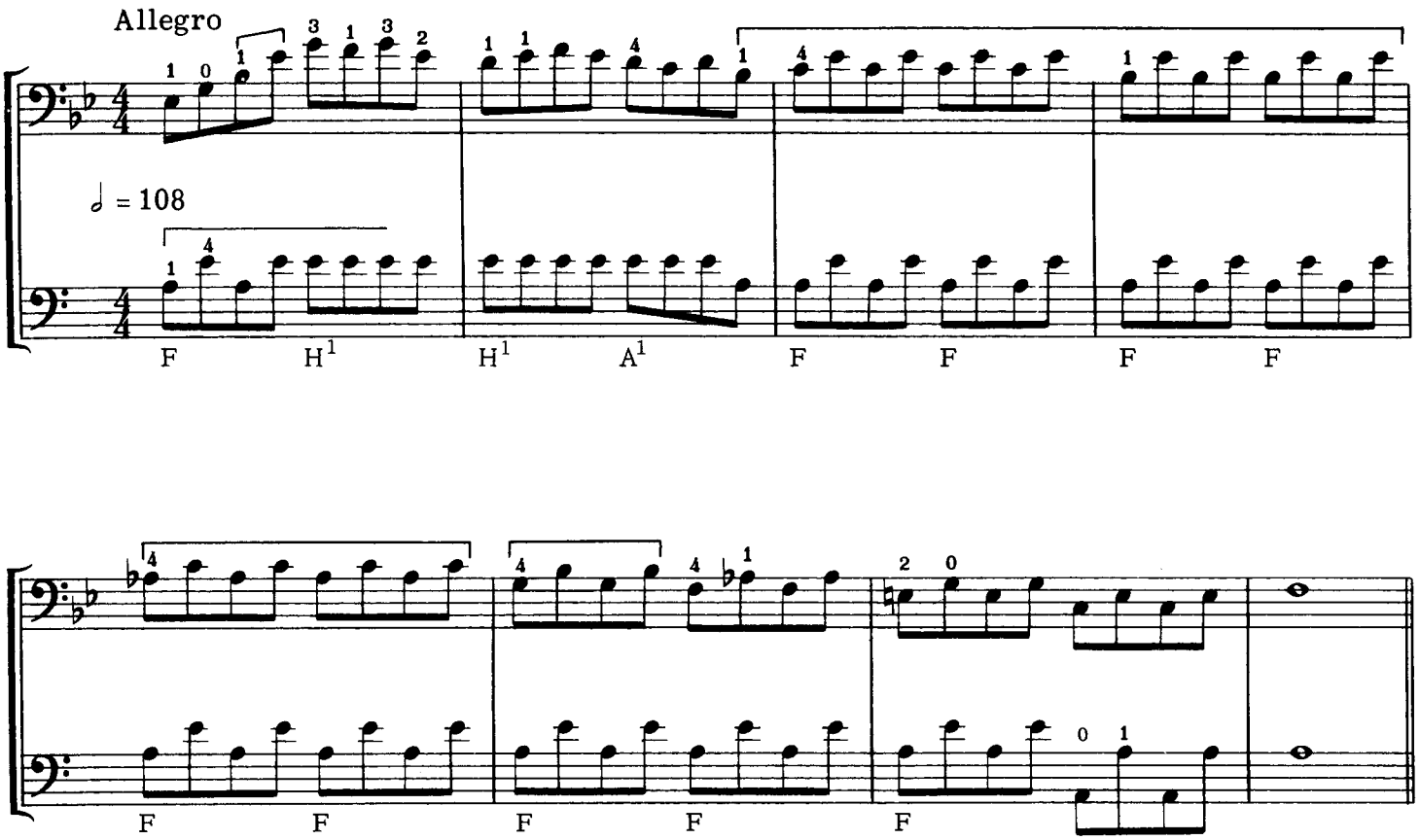


SYMPHONY No. 40

WOLFGANG A. MOZART



Combined in the first measure of this example are F of pattern I and H^1 of pattern II, one of the many permutations of patterns I and II.

In measure two we find H^1 and A^1 permutations of the basic patterns. Measures three, four, five and six are repetitions of the basic pattern F. Measure seven consists of an element of F and an alternate crossing between the D and the A strings.

Subsequent examples will be similarly notated, using symbols corresponding with each section.

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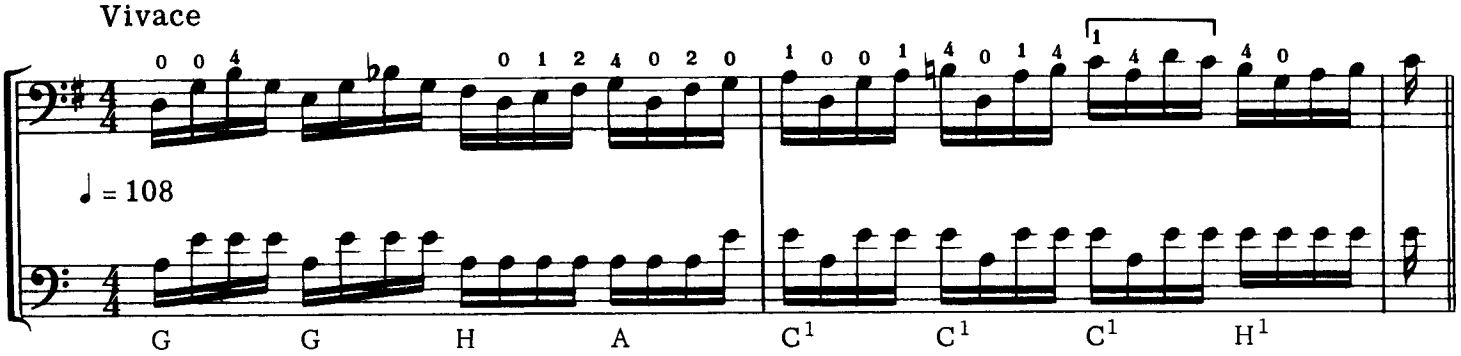
LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

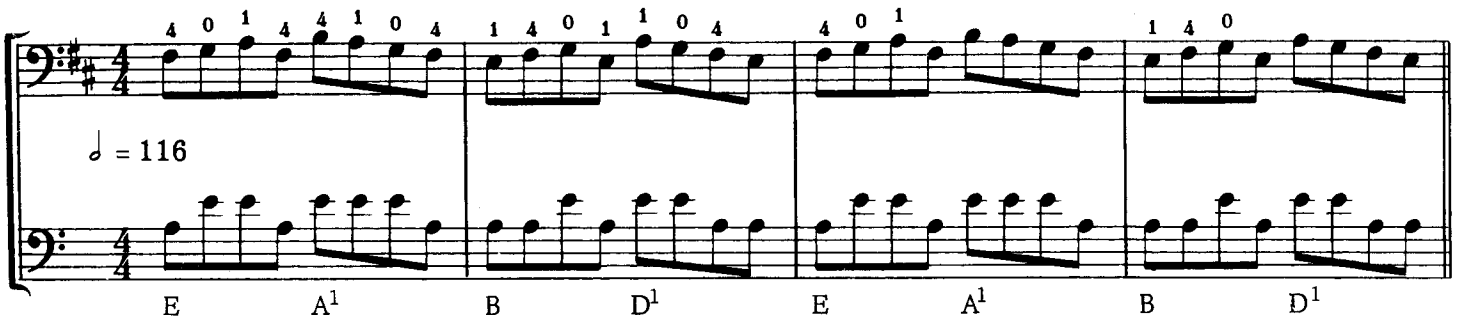
Vivace



SYMPHONY No. 34

WOLFGANG A. MOZART

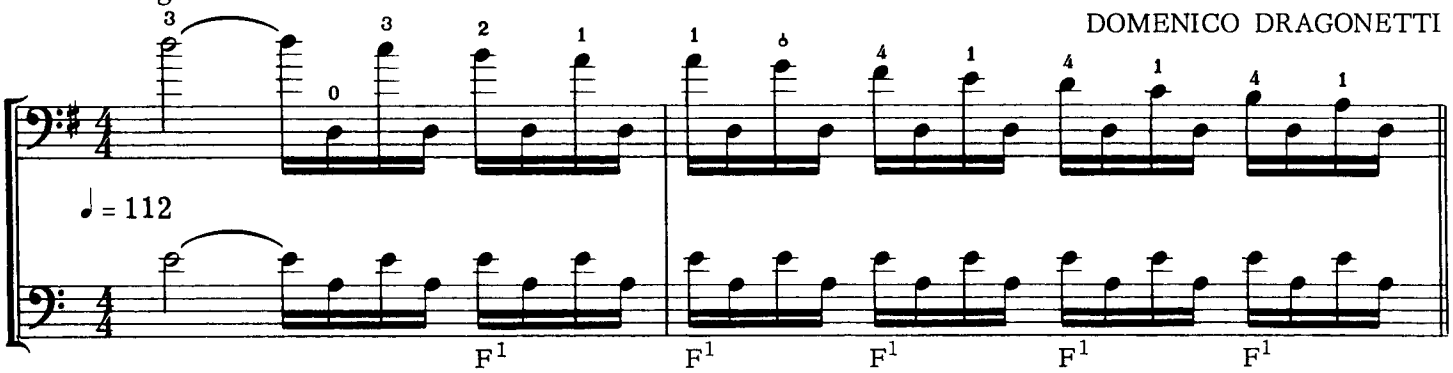
Presto



CONCERTO

DOMENICO DRAGONETTI

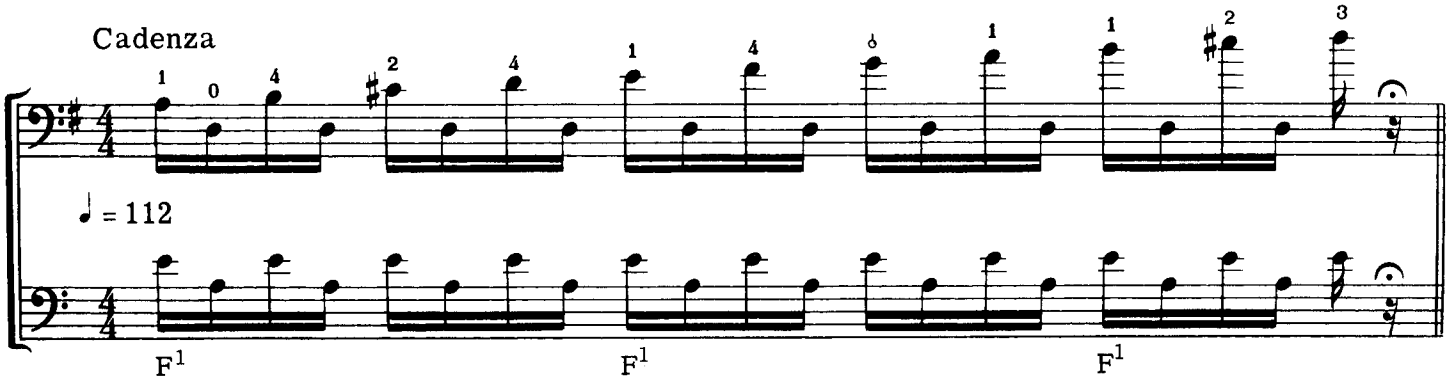
Allegro moderato



CONCERTO

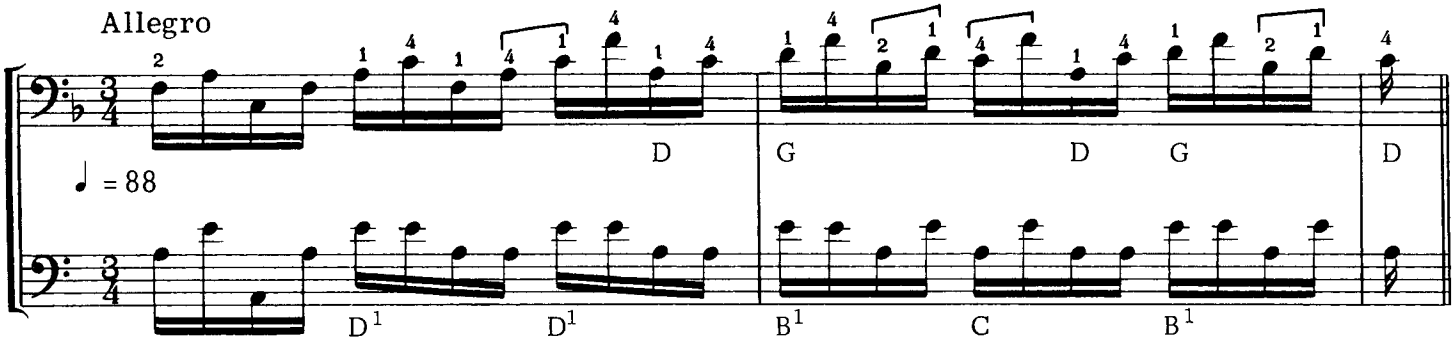
E. D. STEIN

Cadenza



ETUDE

STORCH - HRABE



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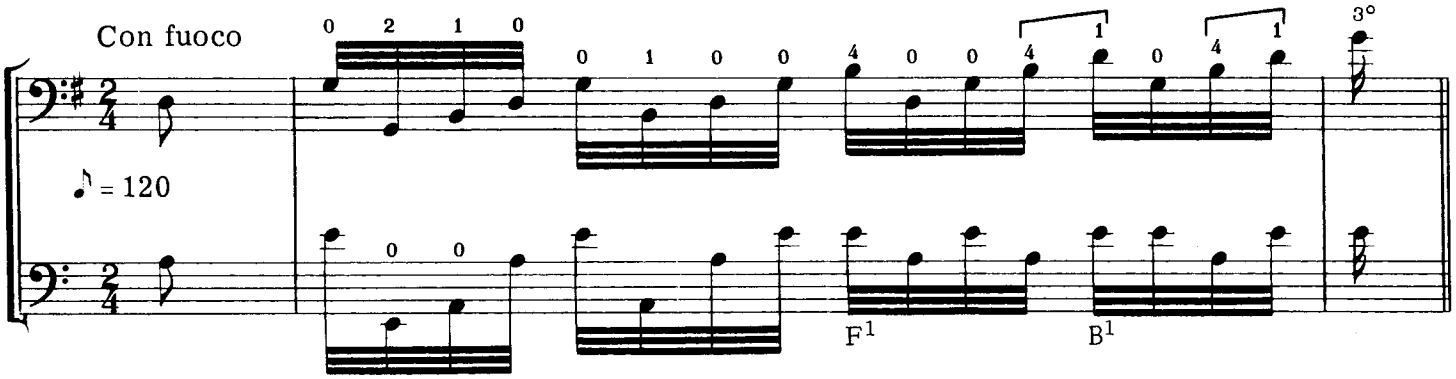

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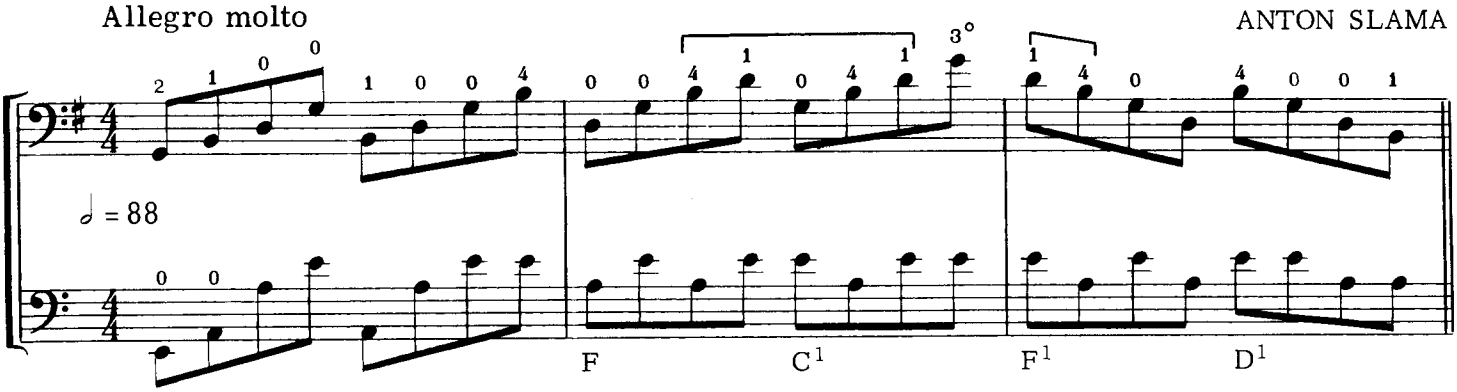
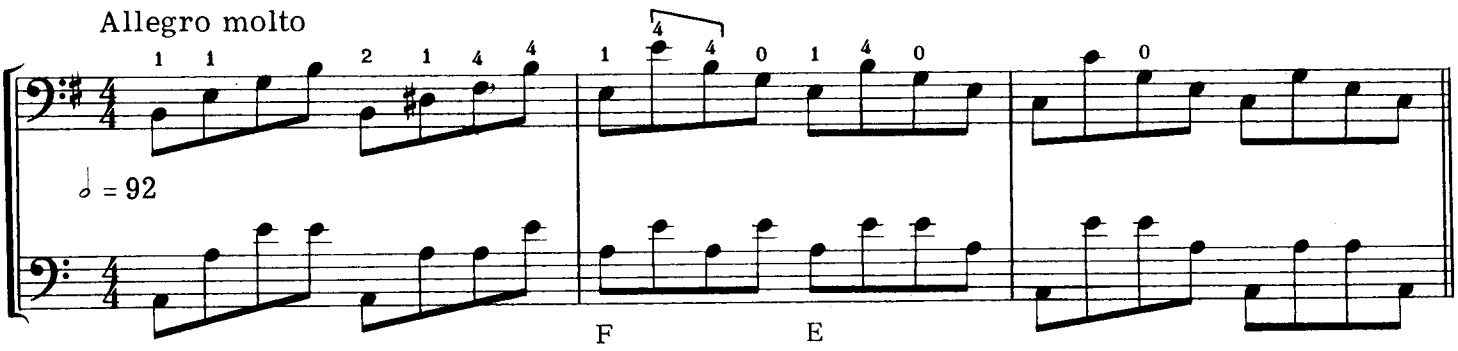
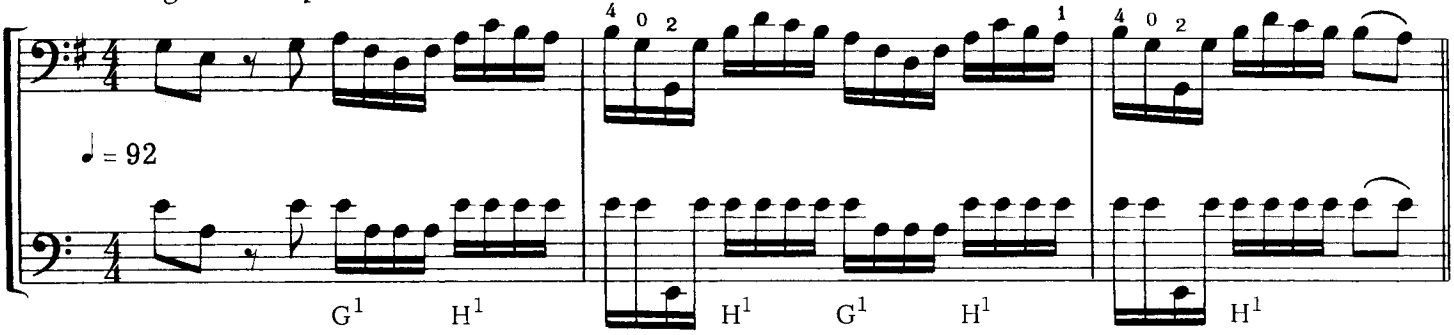




SONATA No. 5

ANTONIO VIVALDI

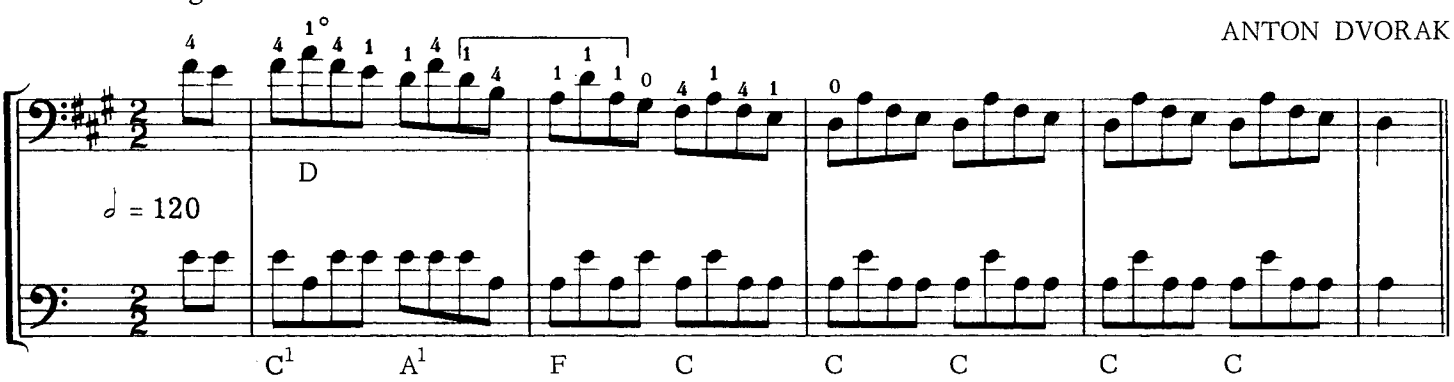
Allegro con spirito

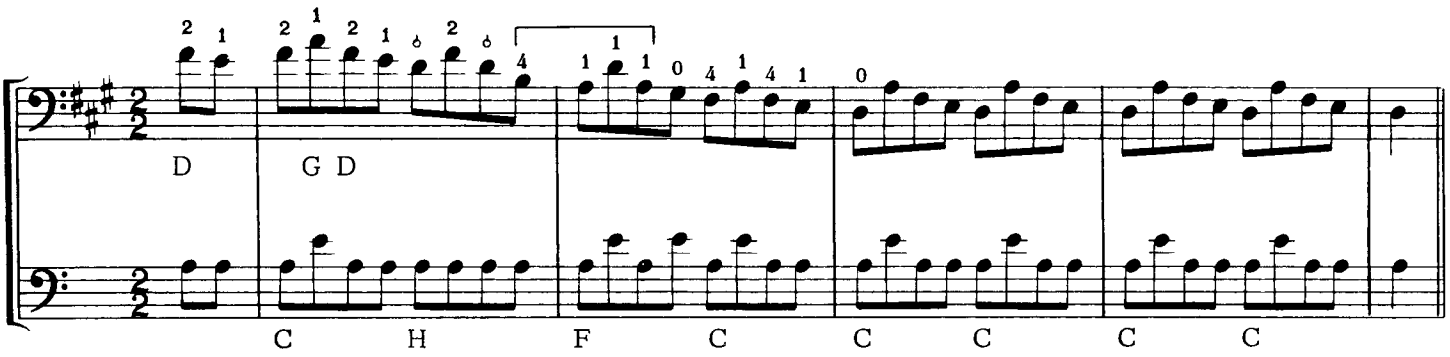


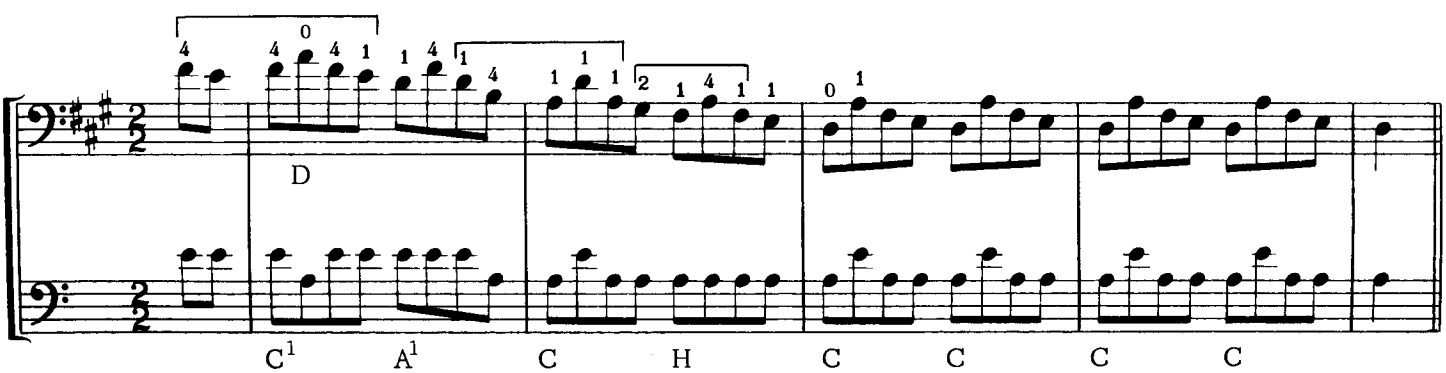
CARNIVAL OVERTURE

Allegro vivo

ANTON DVORAK



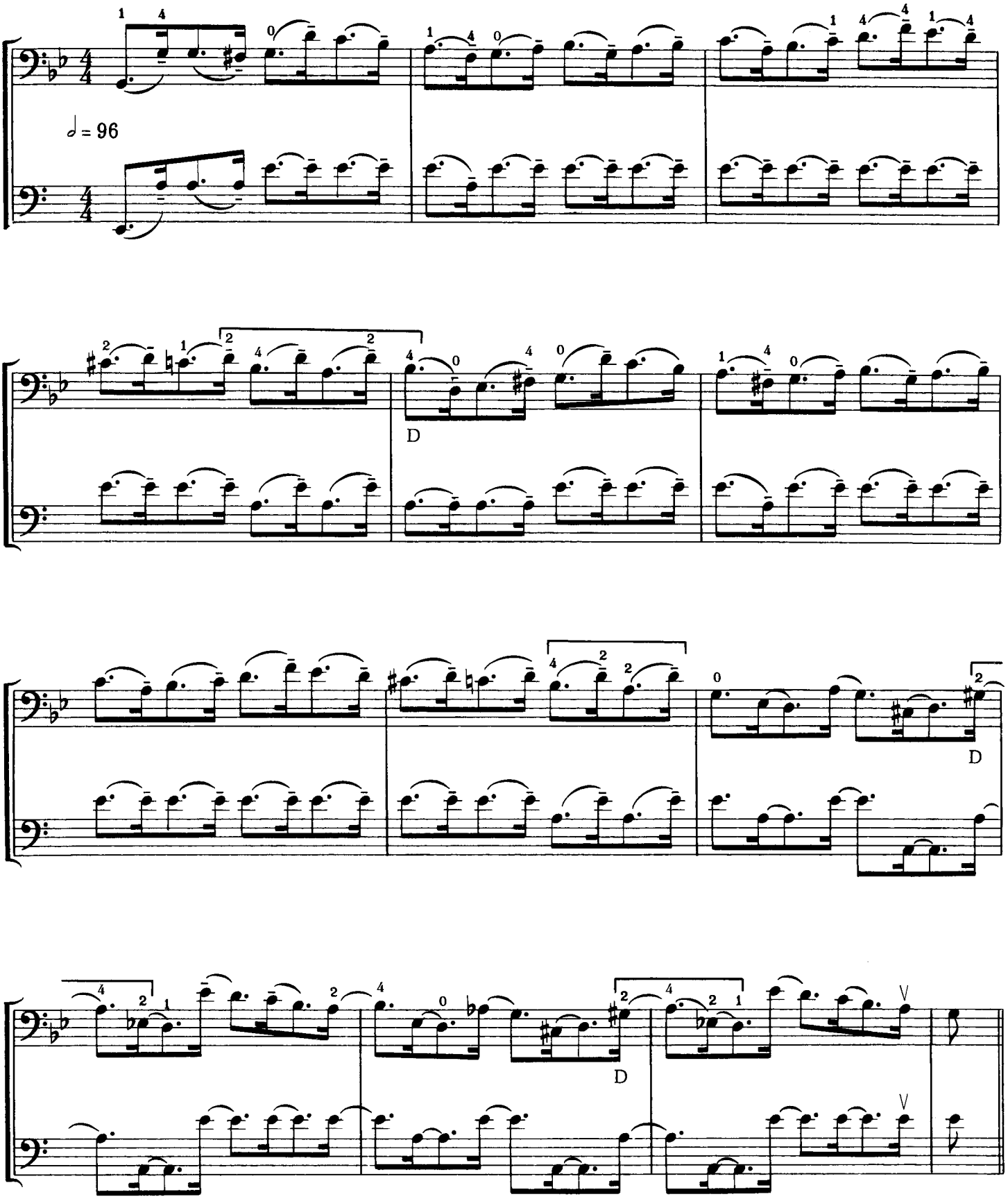




SYMPHONY FANTASTIQUE

Allegro

HECTOR BERLIOZ



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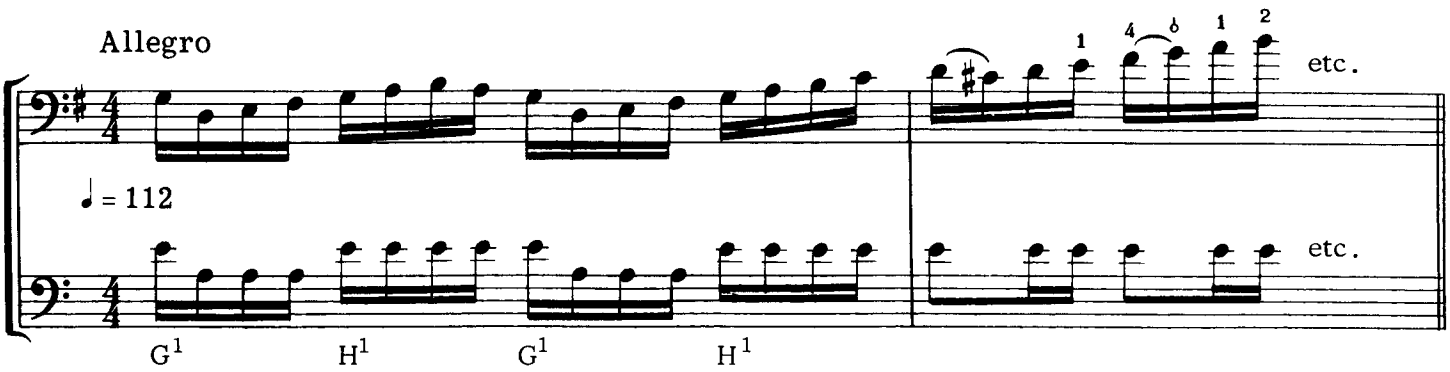

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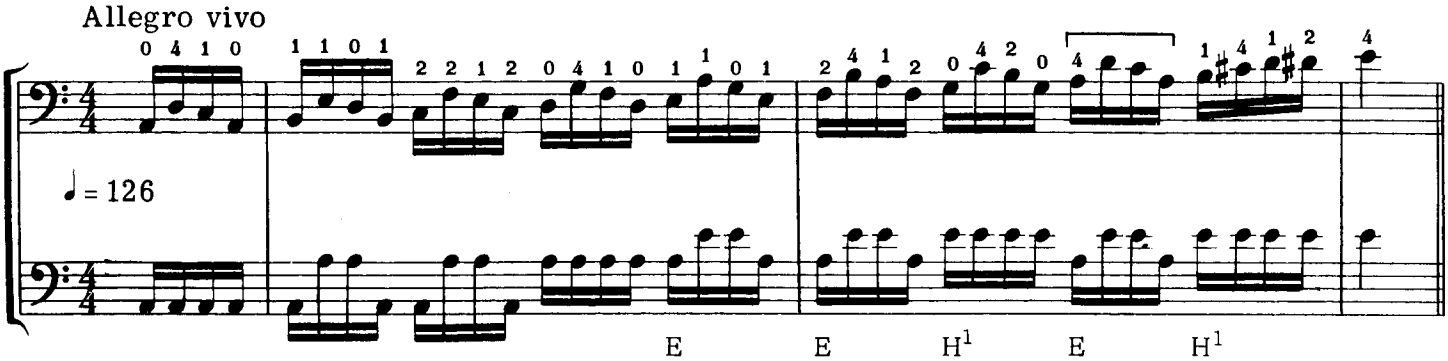
PETER I. TCHAIKOVSKY



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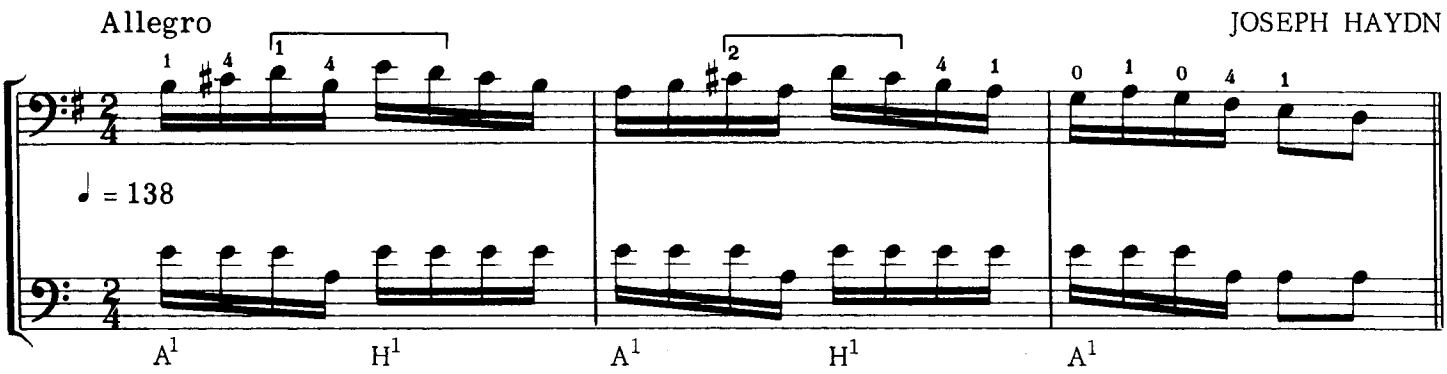
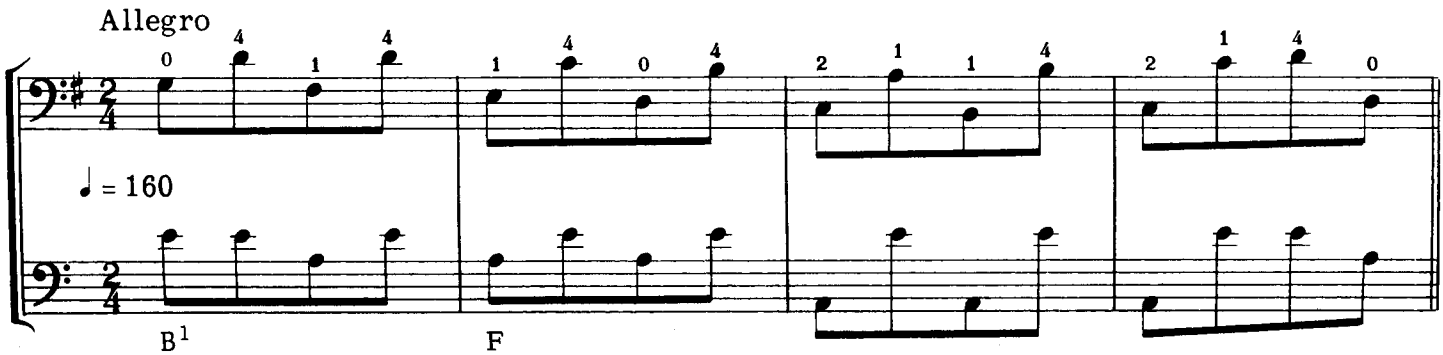
JOSEPH HAYDN





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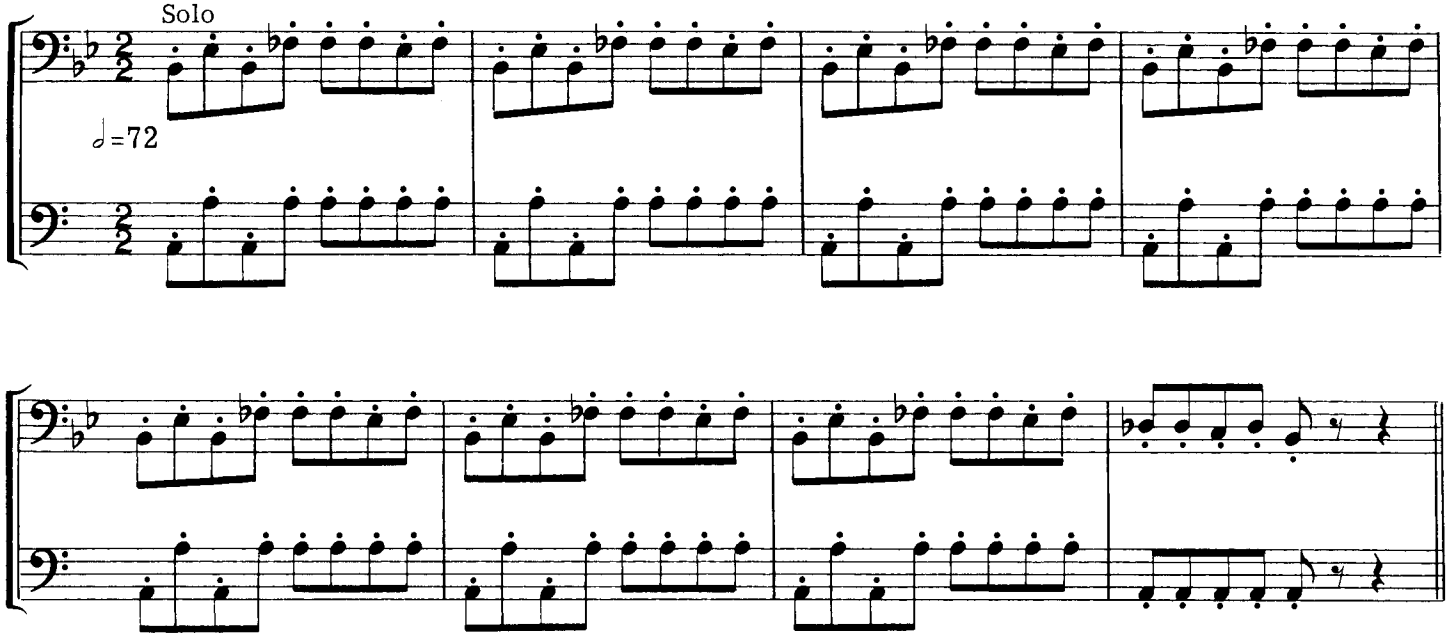
SERGEI PROKOFIEFF

Allegro giocoso

Solo



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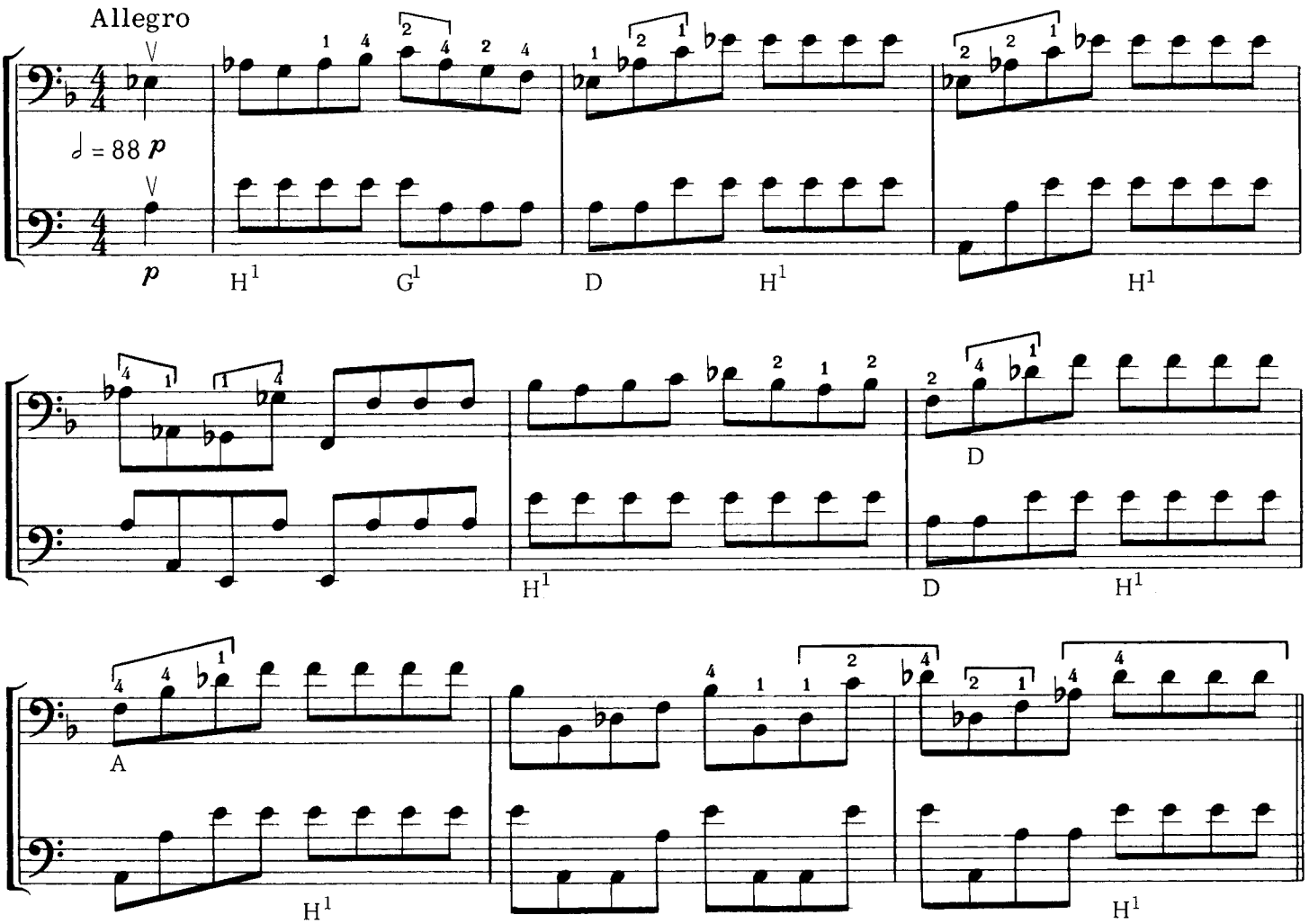
FRANZ SCHUBERT

Allegro



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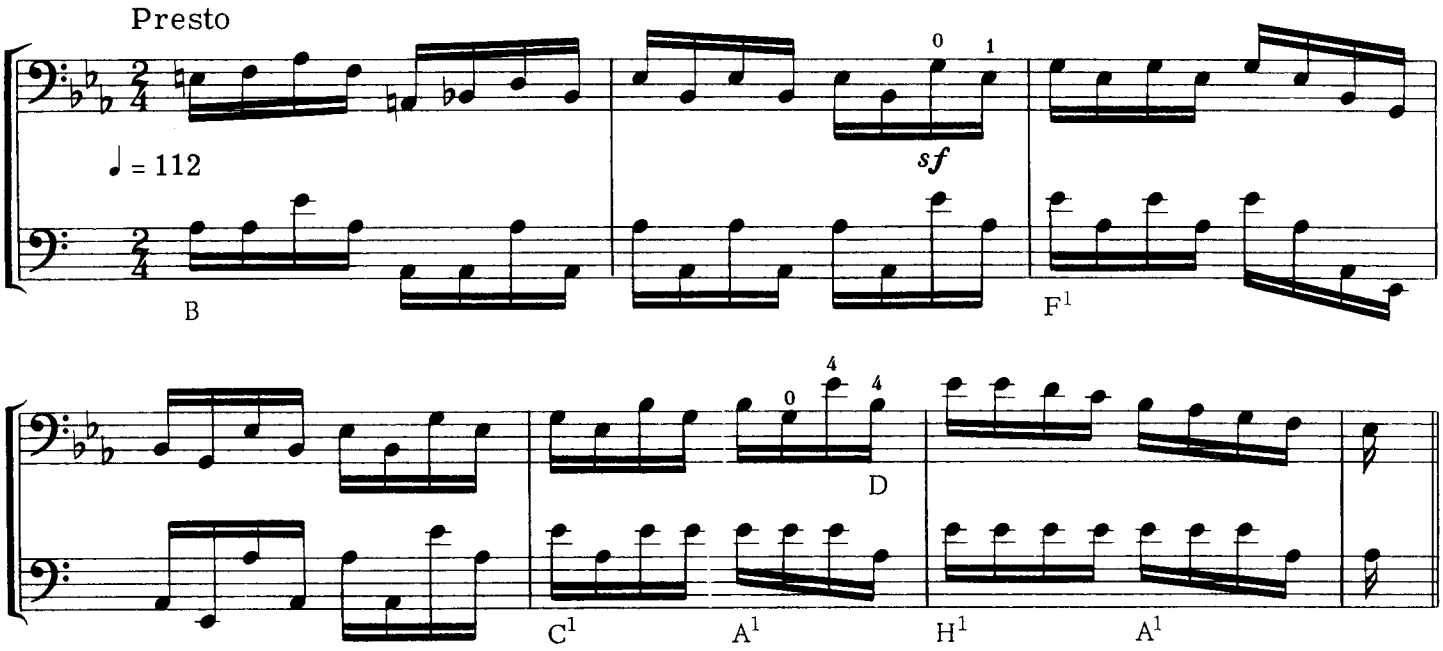

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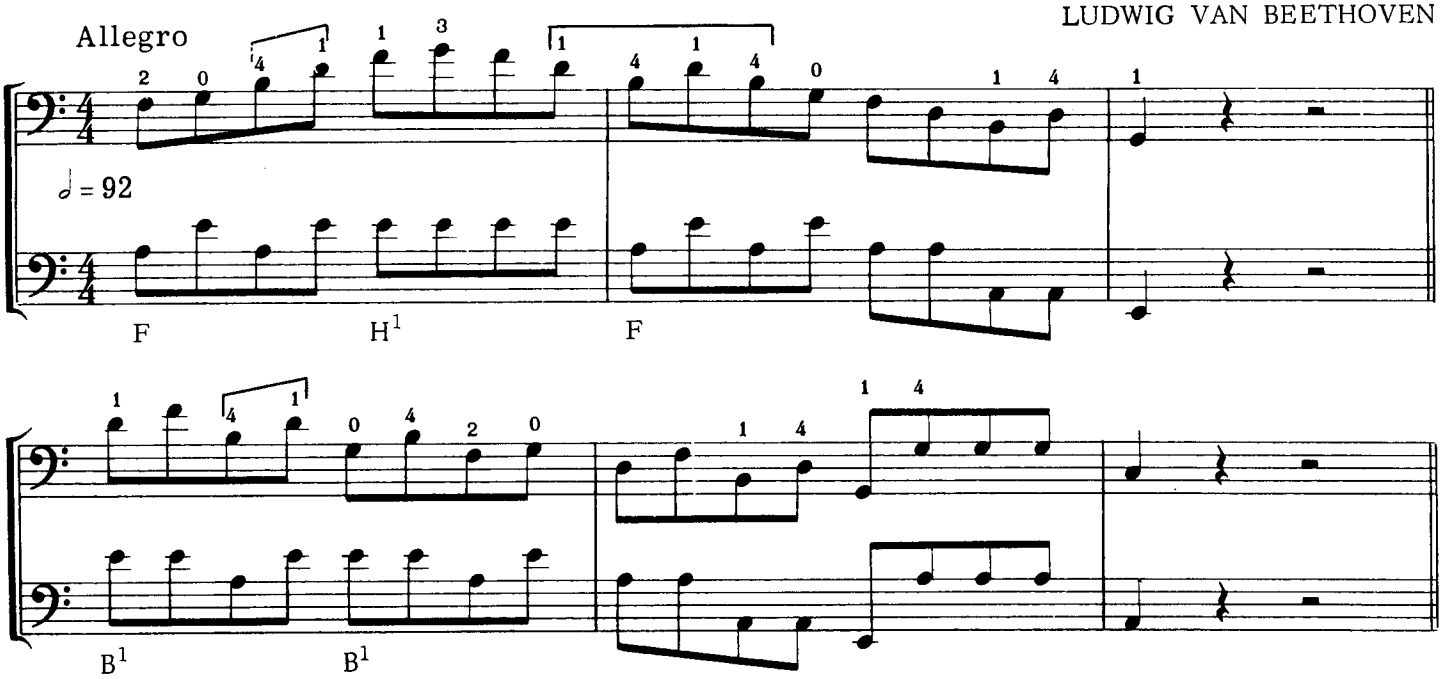

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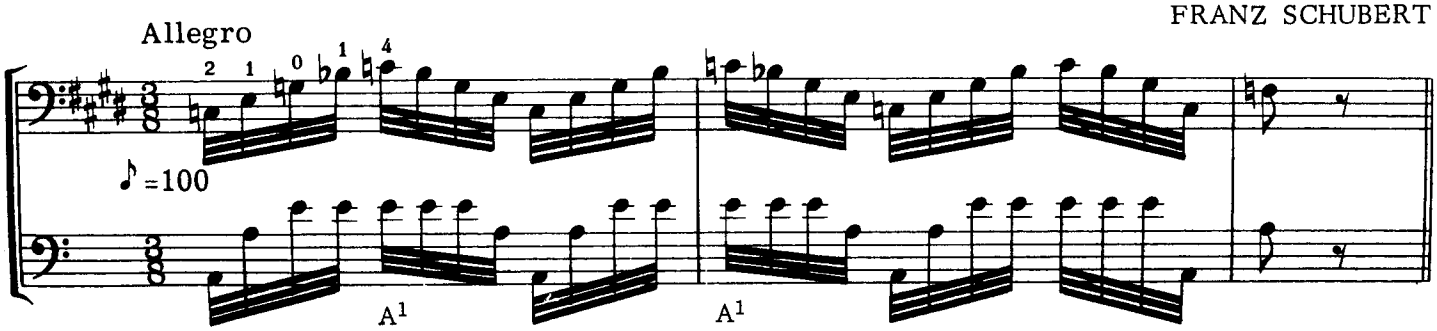

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Allegro vivace (in one)

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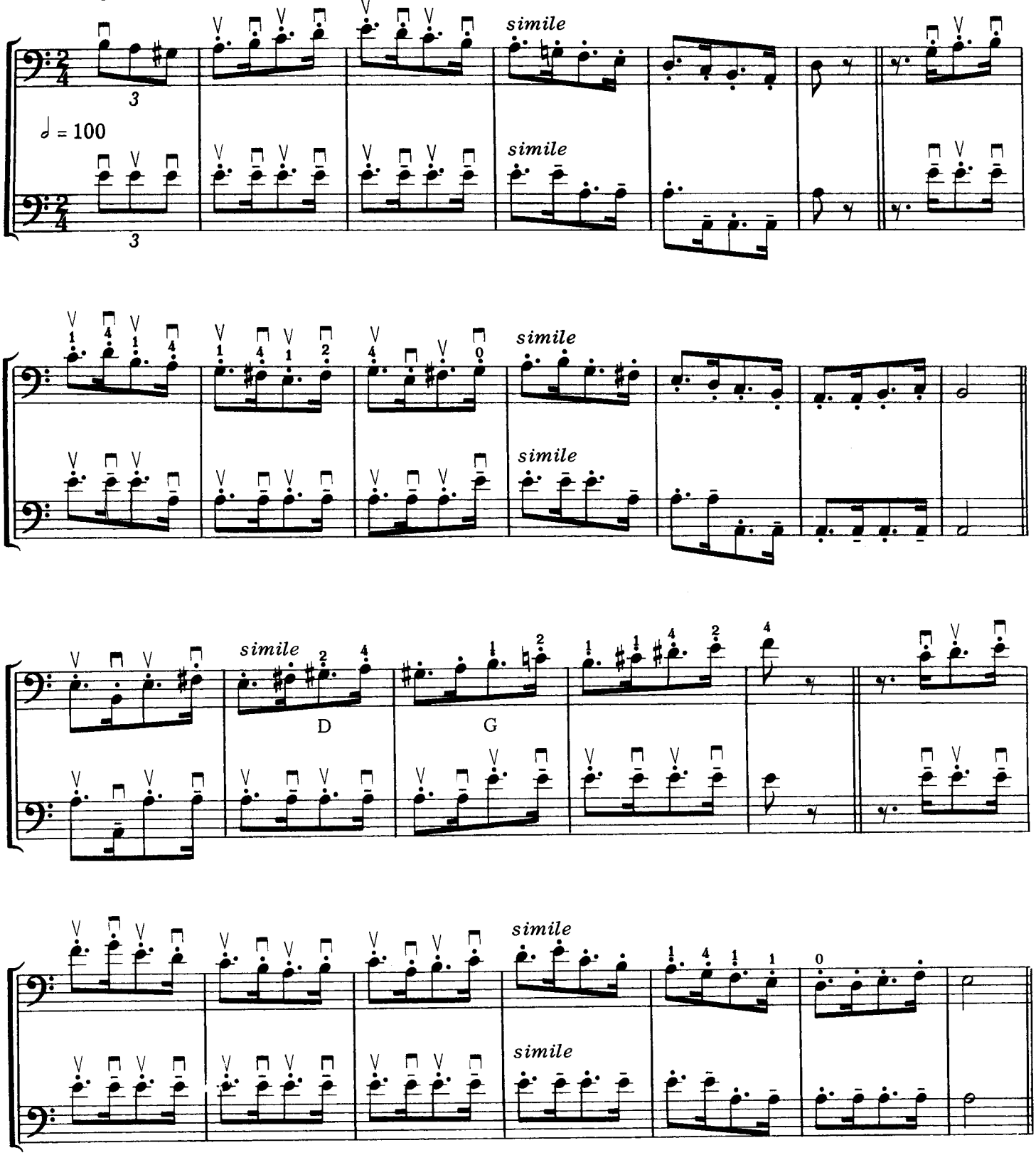

This bowing *(Piqué)* is to be played in the upper half of the bow; the dotted eighth note short *(Martelé)* and the sixteenth note with a smoother stroke *(Détaché)*.

SYMPHONY No. 41

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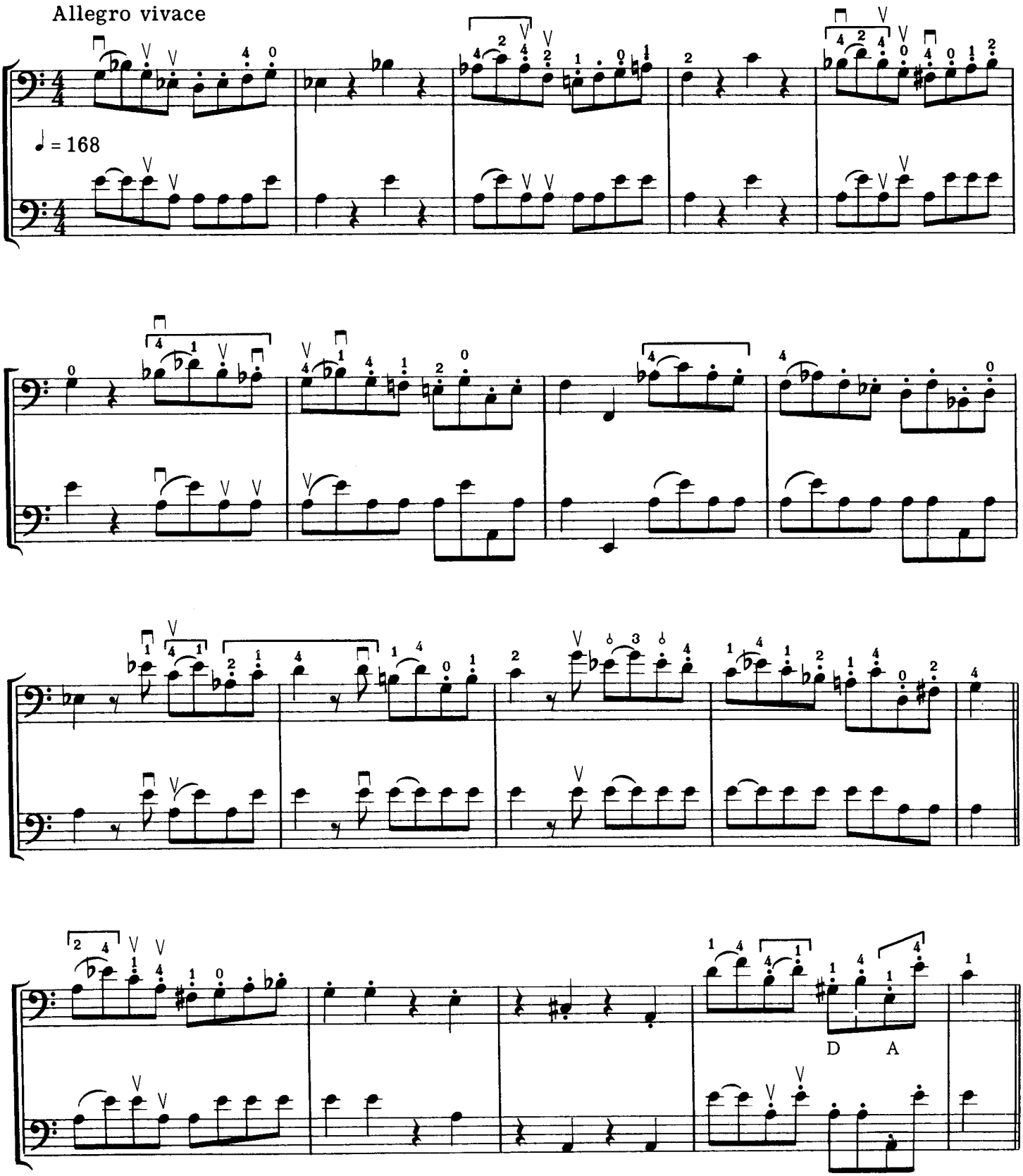


SONATA

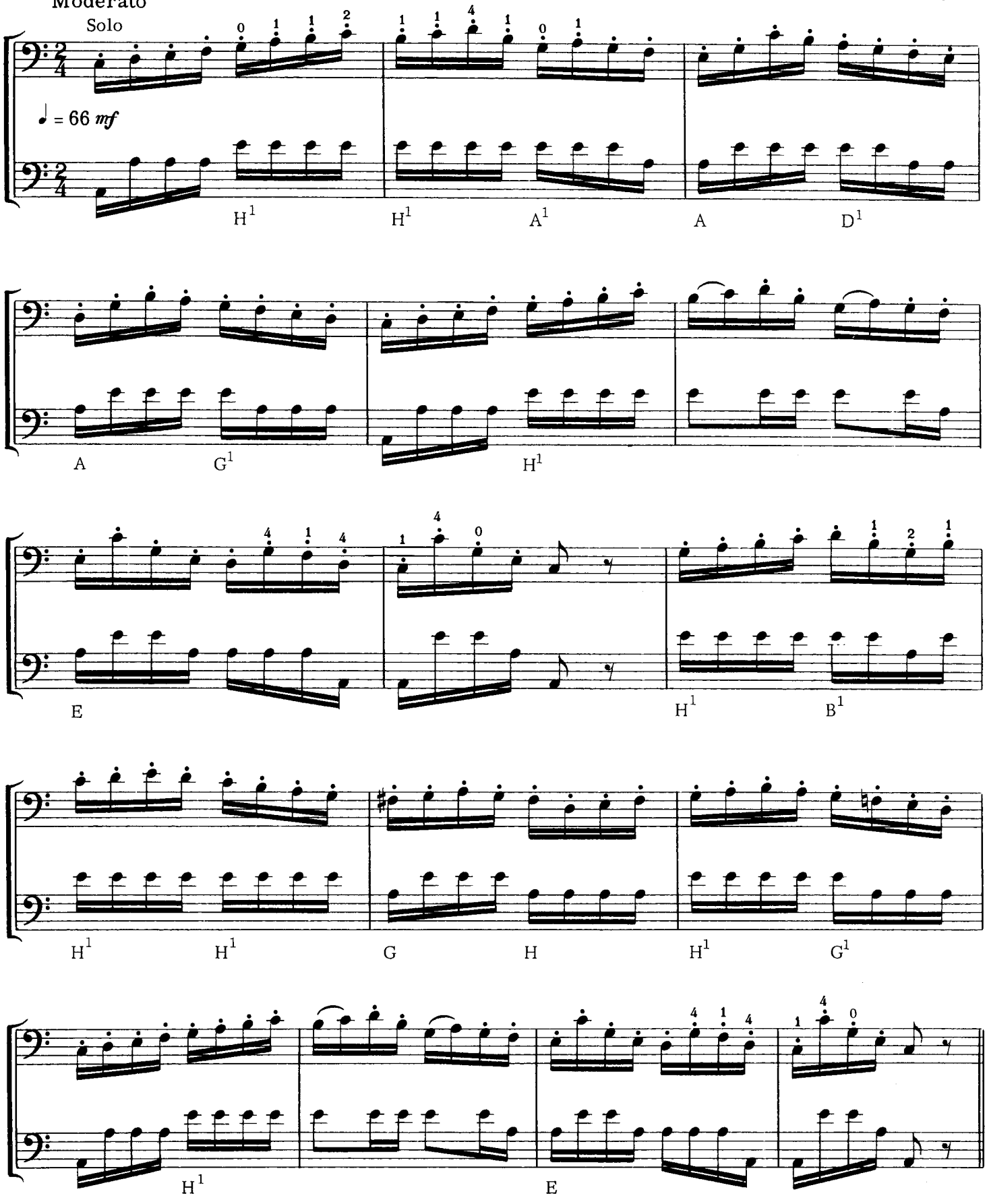
for Two Violins, Cello and Double Bass

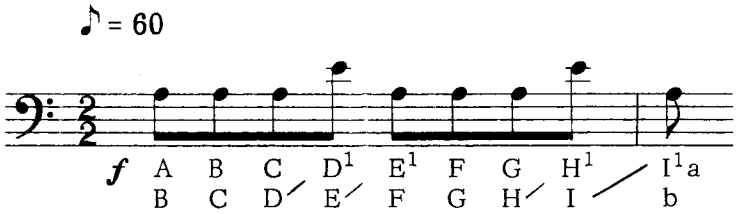
GIOACCHINO ROSSINI

Moderato

Solo

♩ = 66 *mf*

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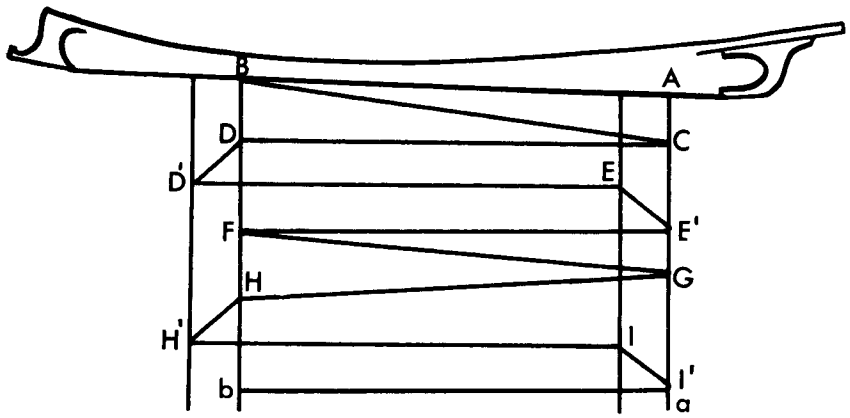
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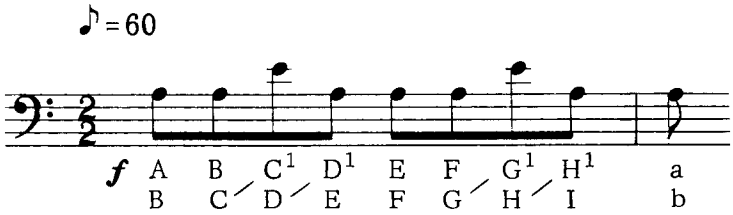
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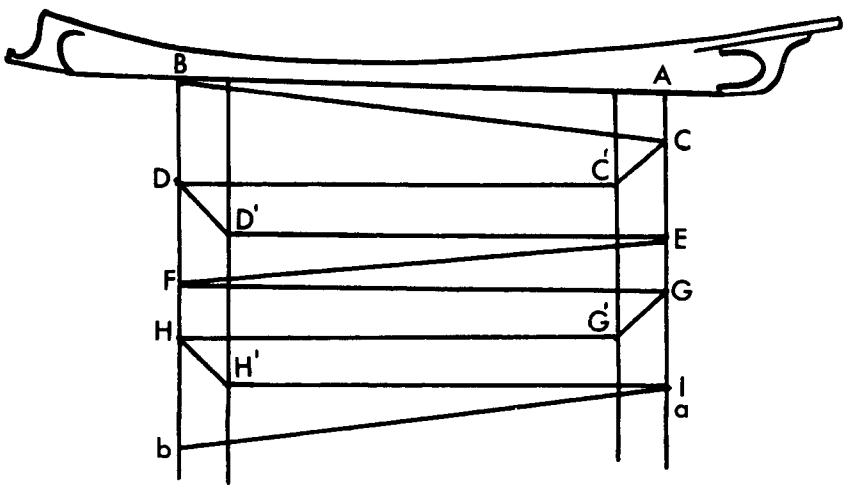
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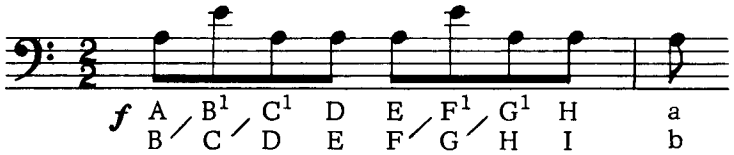
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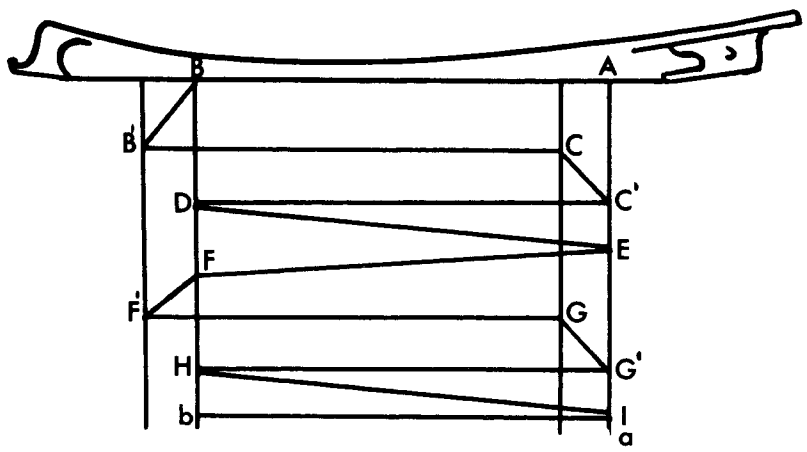
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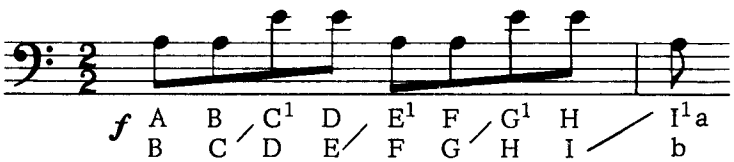
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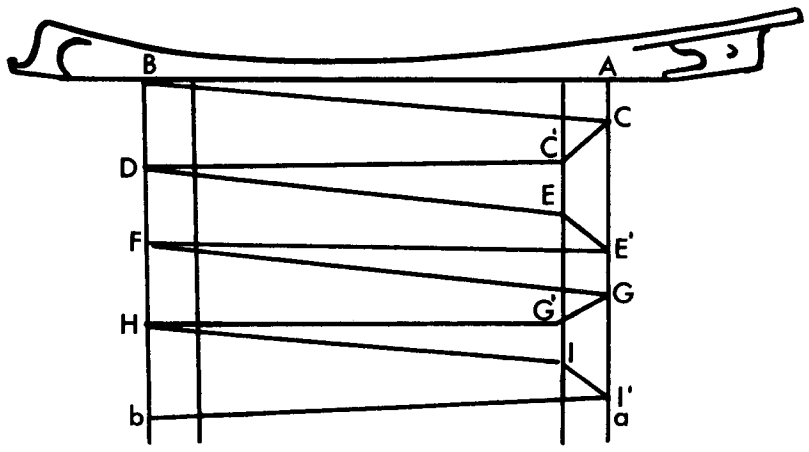
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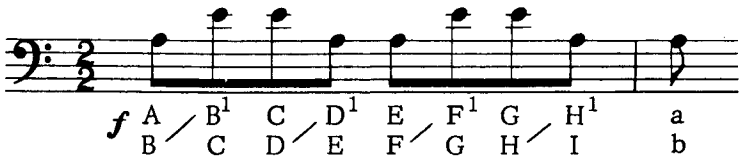
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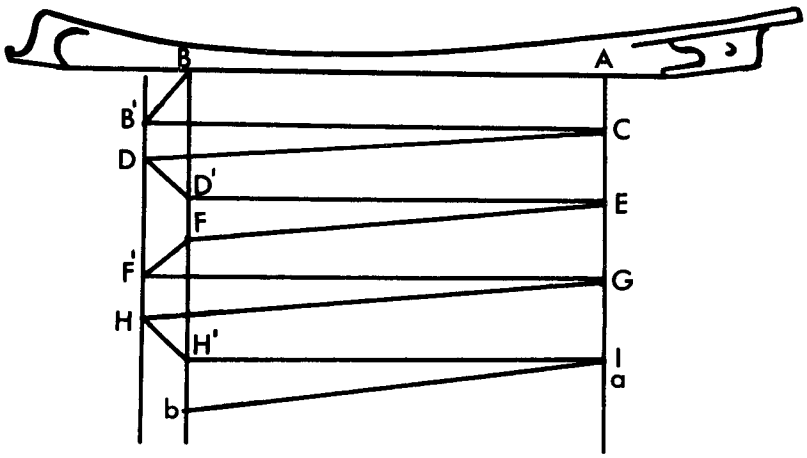
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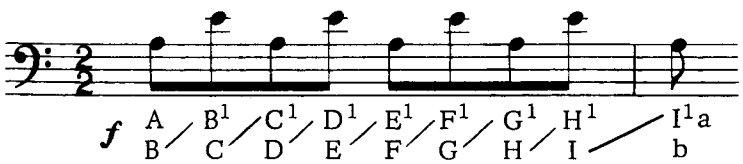
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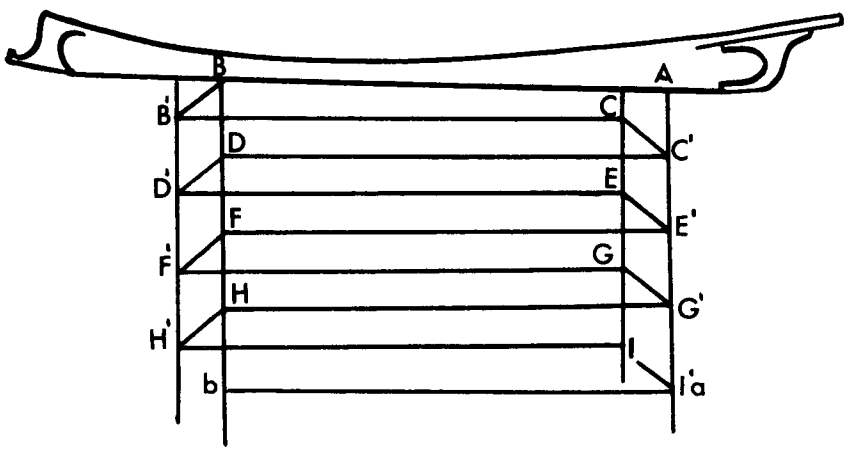
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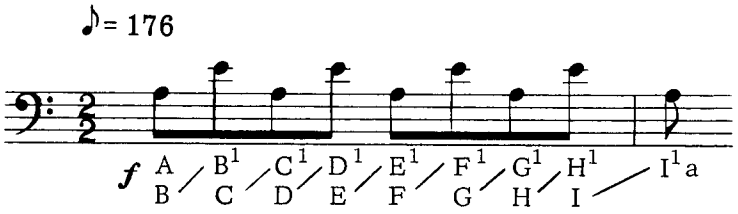
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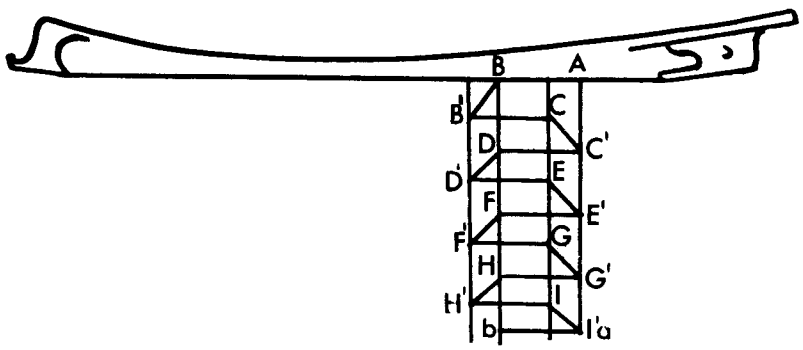
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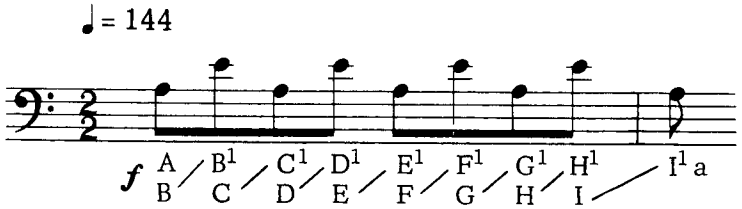
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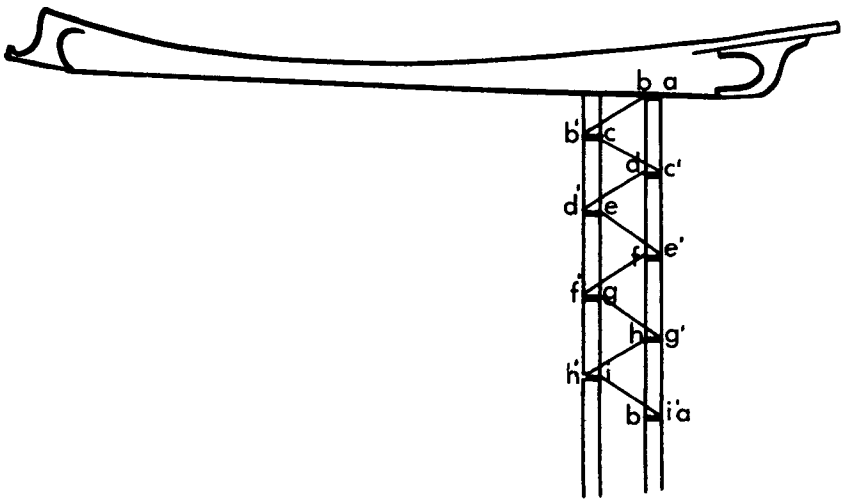
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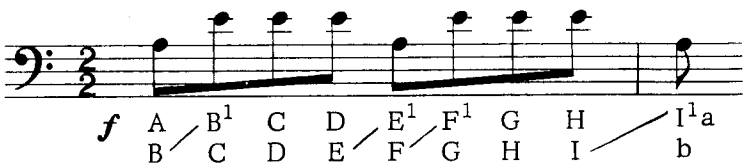
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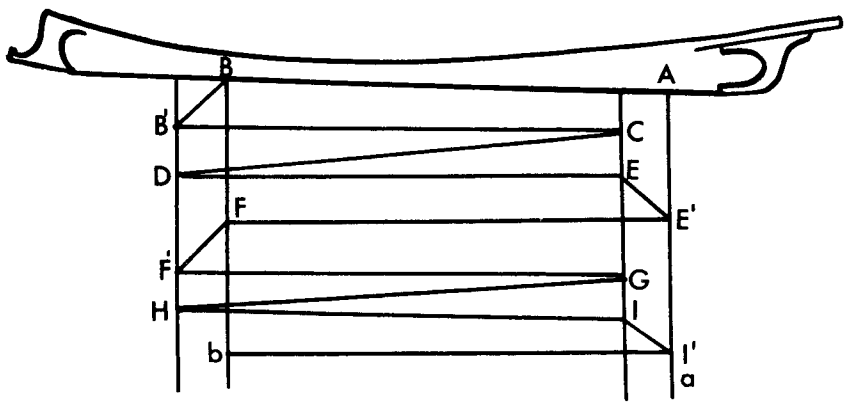
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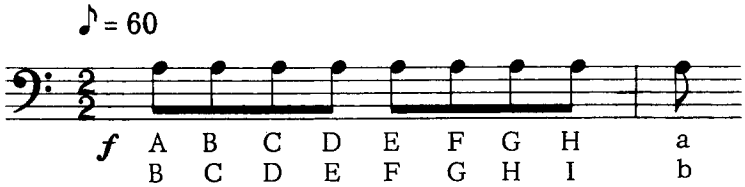
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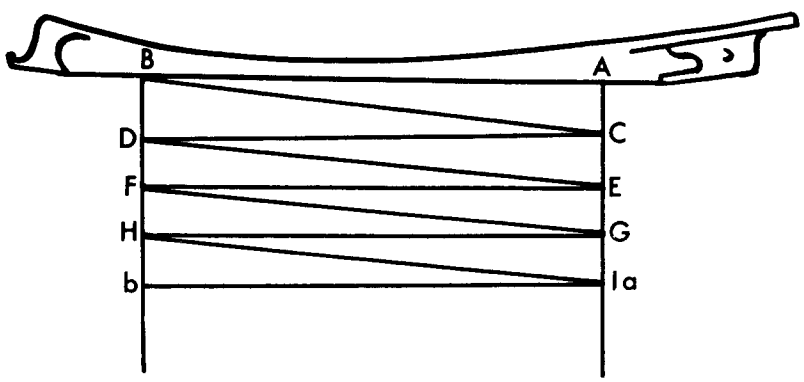
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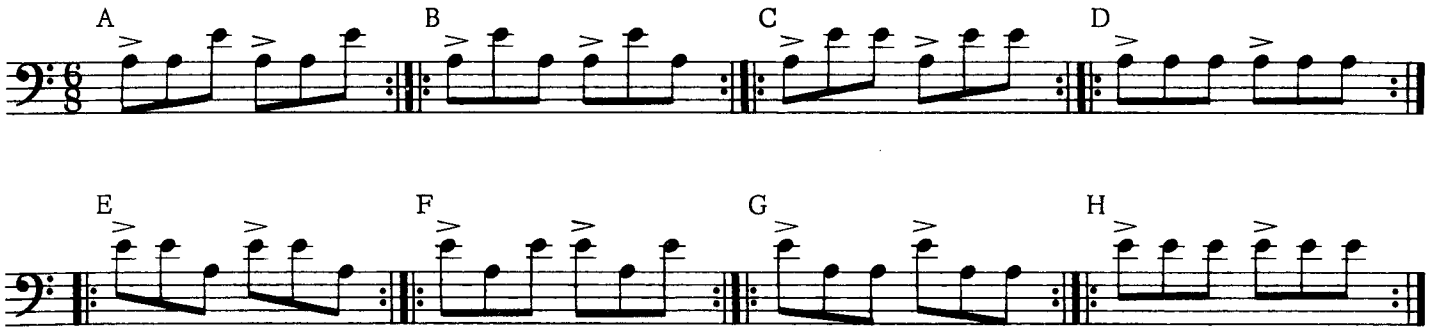
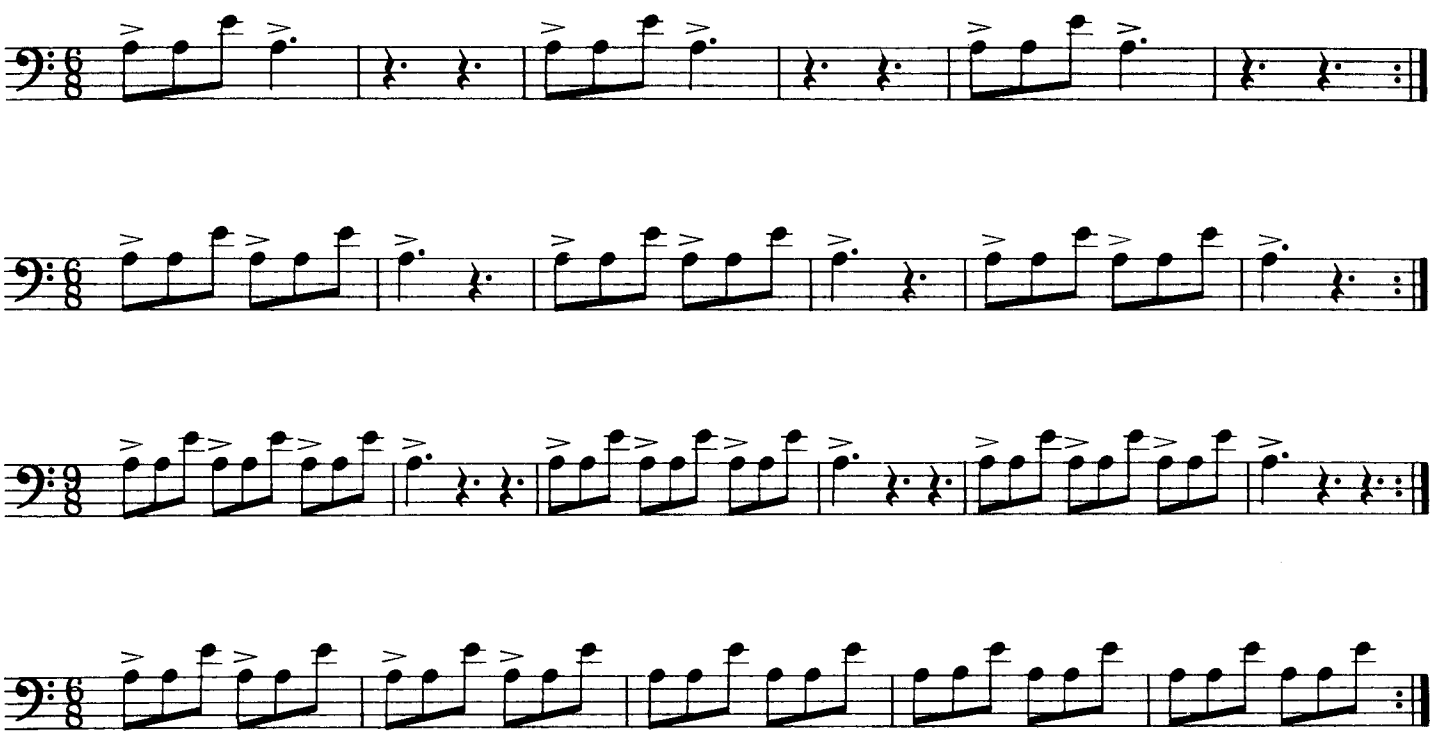
SECTION II

PATTERN I



SUGGESTED PROCEDURE FOR PRACTICE

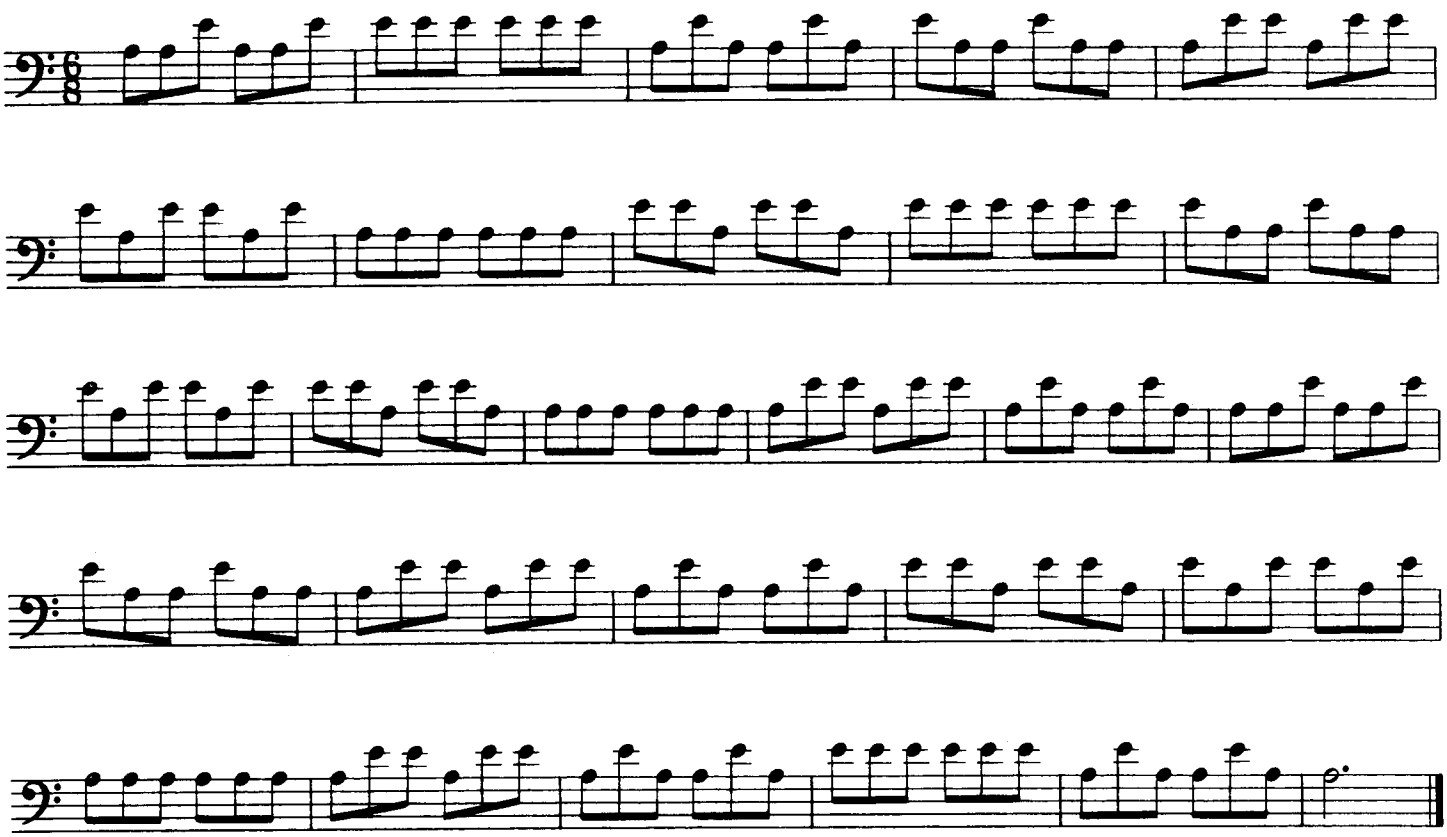
♩. = 92 to ♩. = 108 on the string - *détaché.*
♩. = 116 to ♩. = 152 *spiccato.*
♩. = 160 on the string.



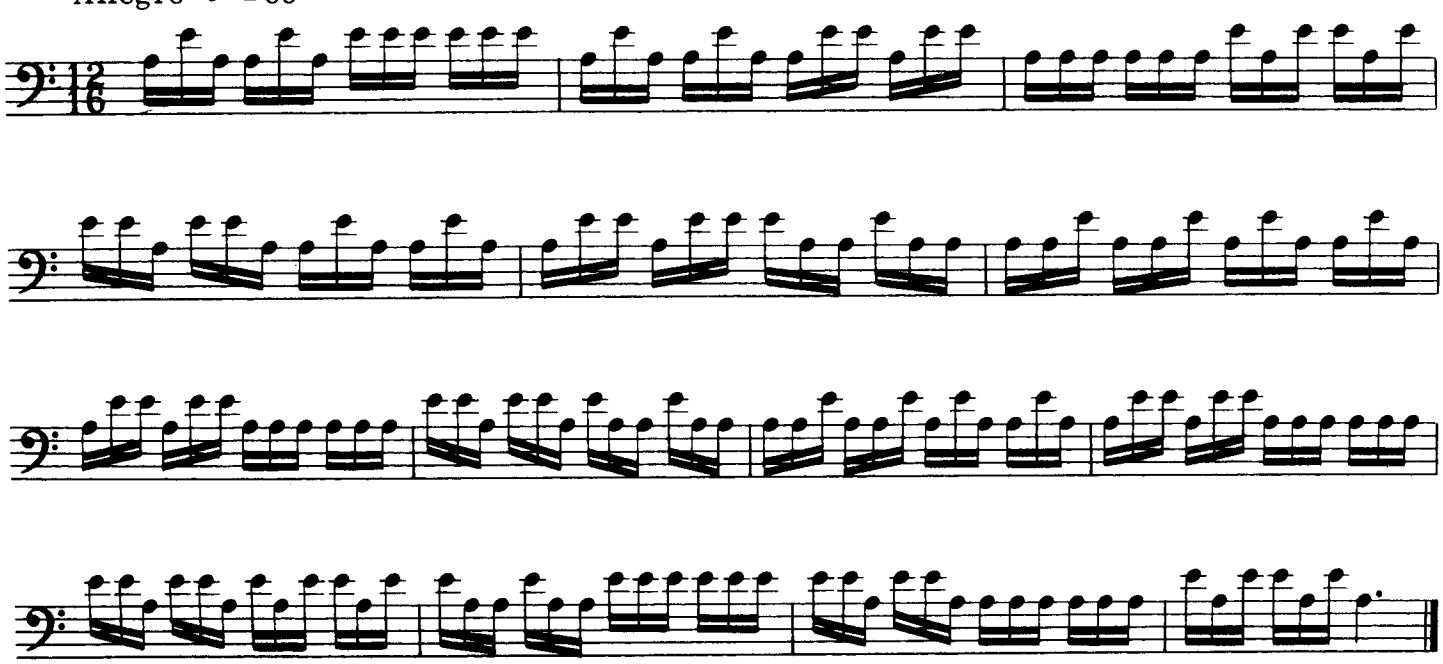
ETUDE

PATTERN I

Allegro ♩. = 88 *(détaché)* ♩. = 112 *(spiccato)*

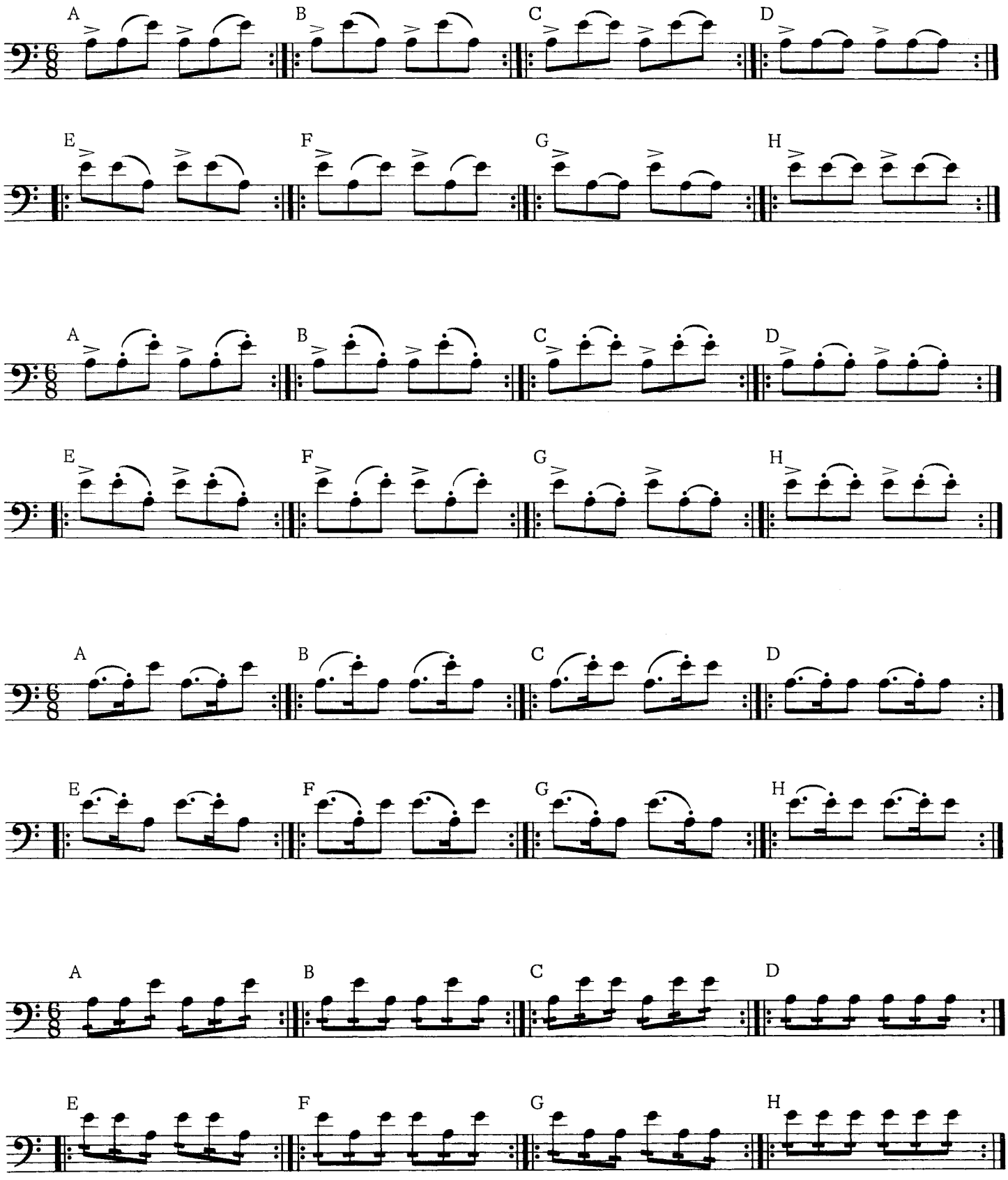


Allegro ♪. = 88



BOWINGS

PATTERN I



ETUDES

BOWINGS (PATTERN I)

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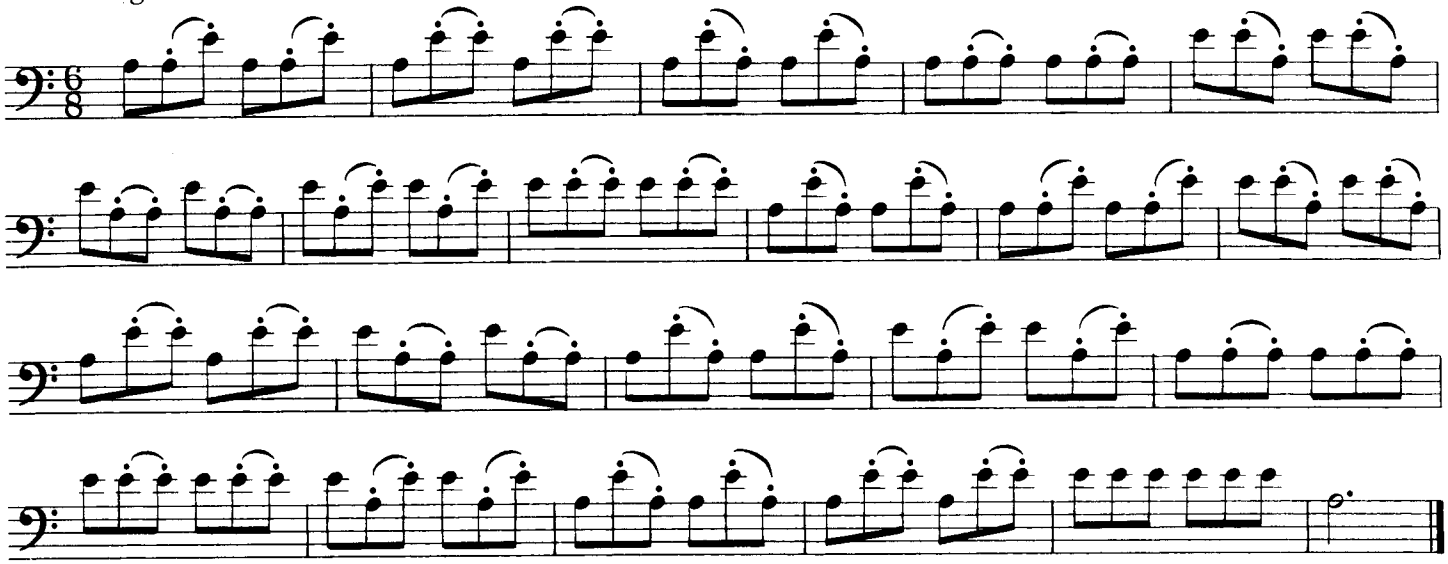
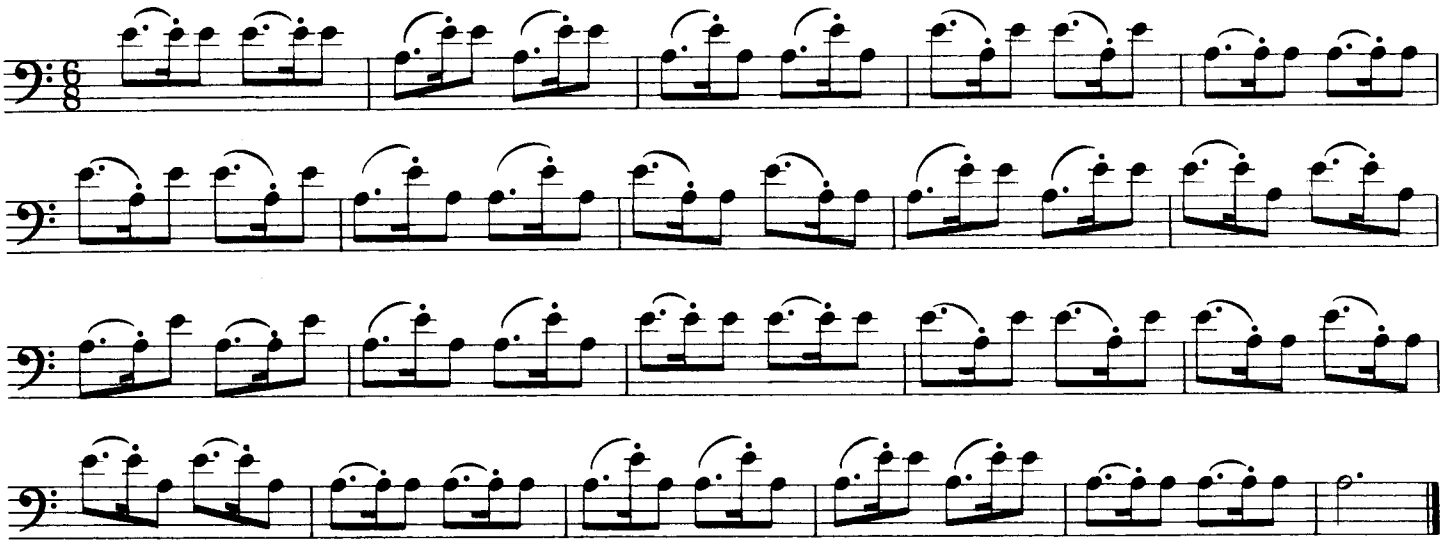


Allegro ♩. = 96



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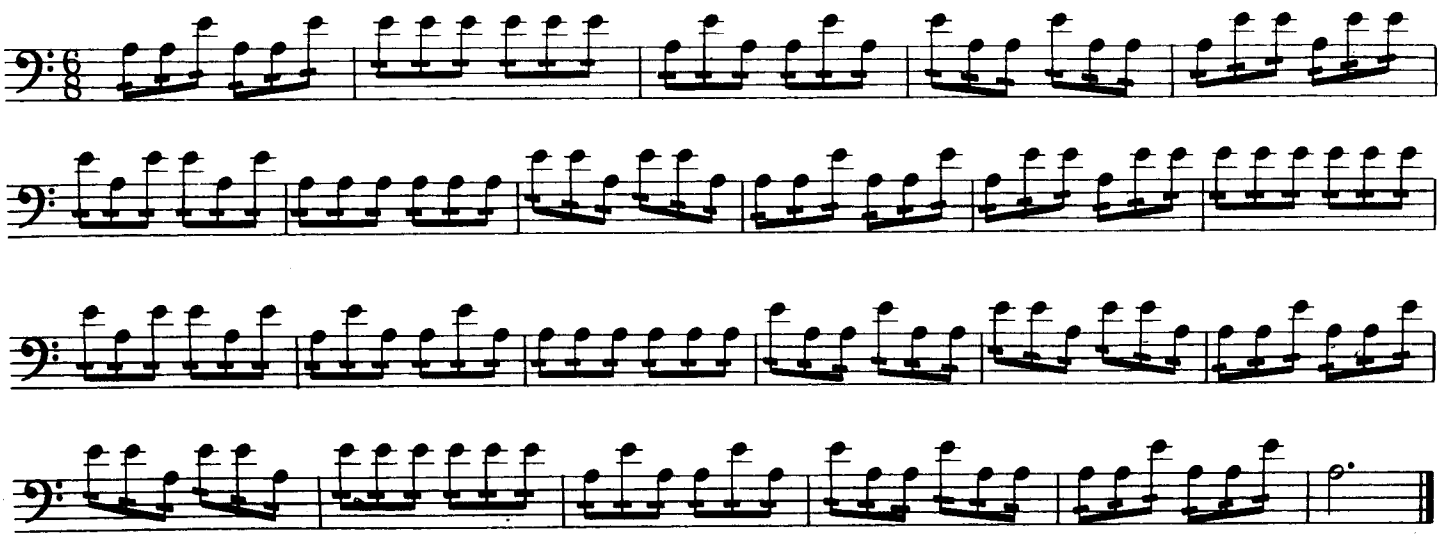
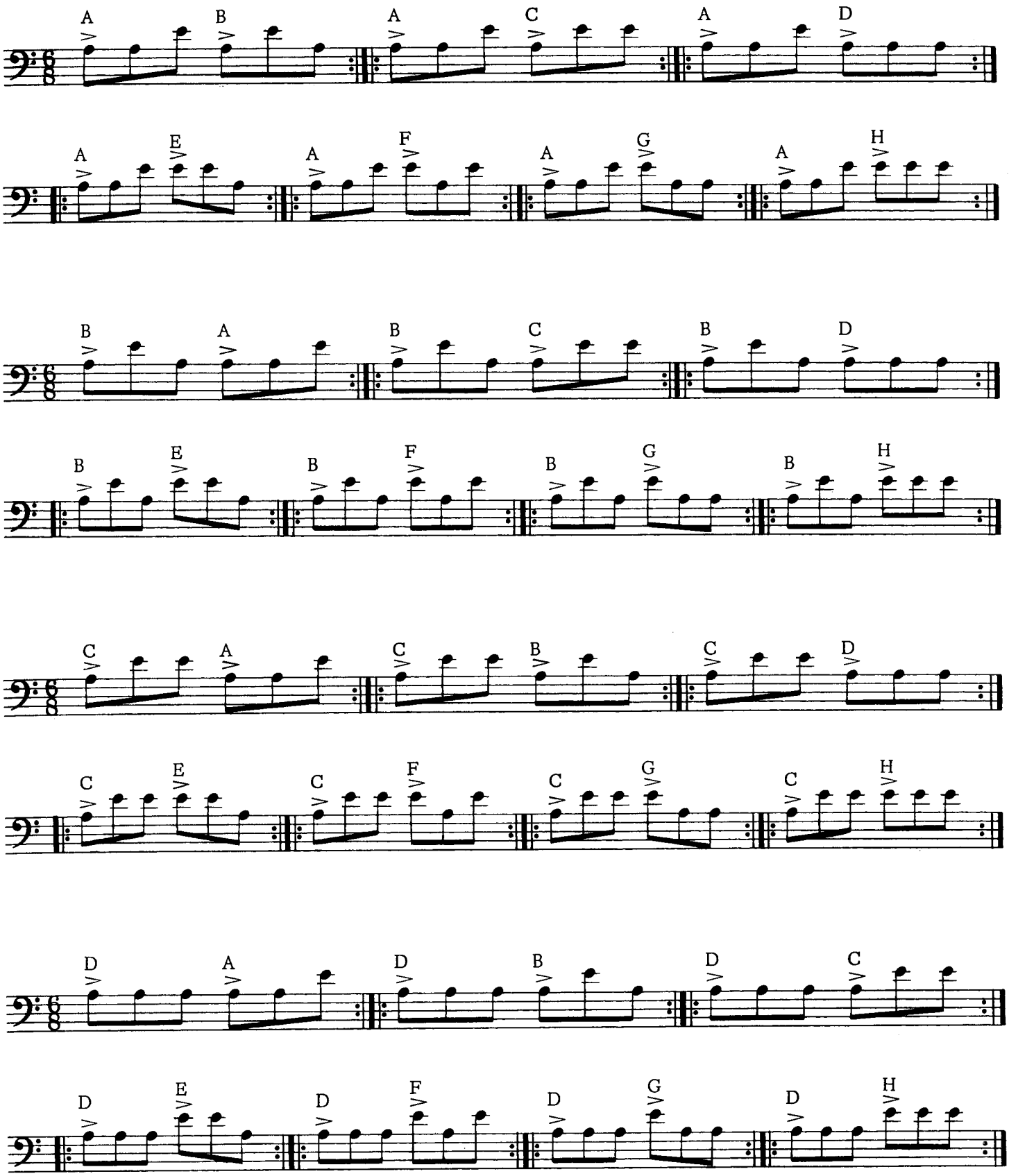
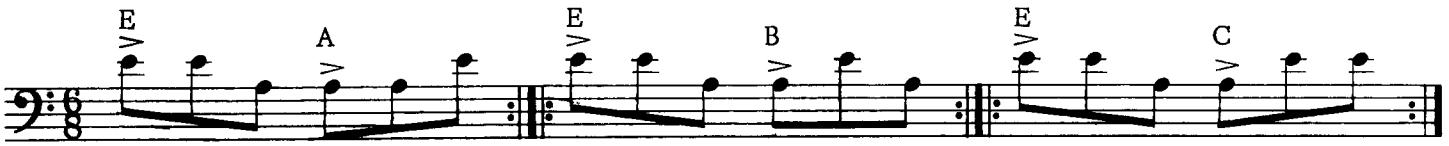


PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN I

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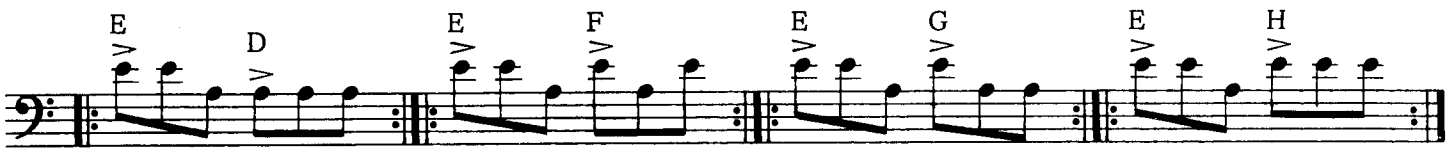
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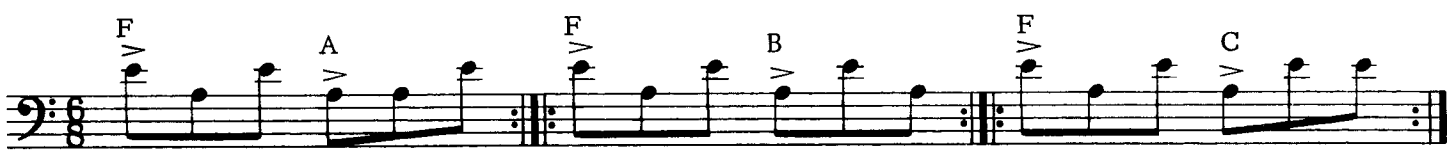
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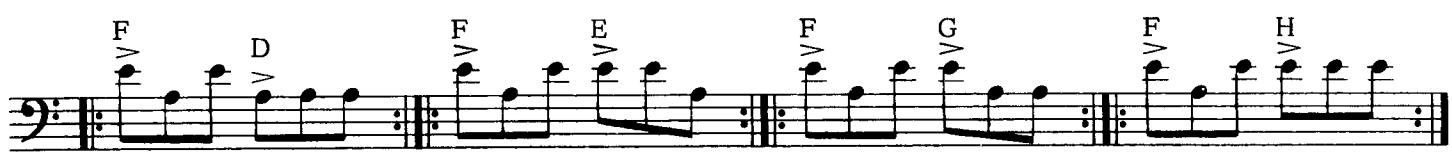
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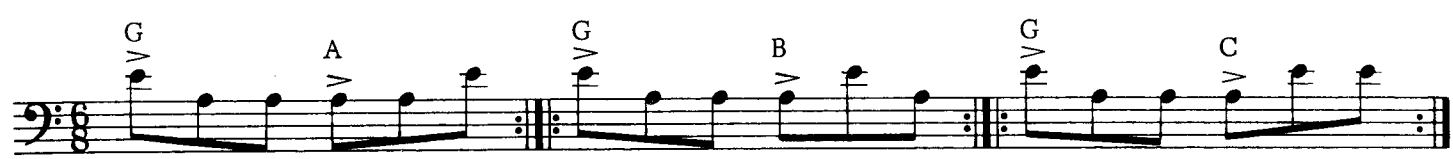
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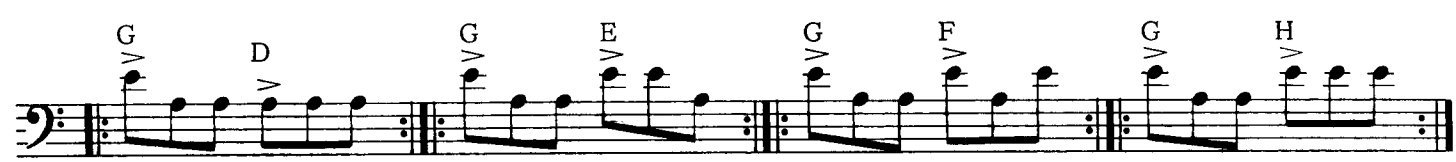
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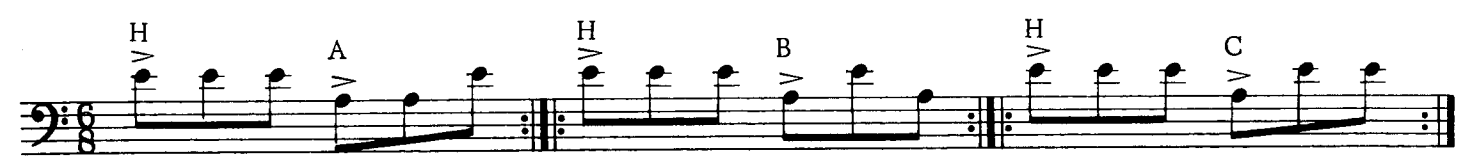
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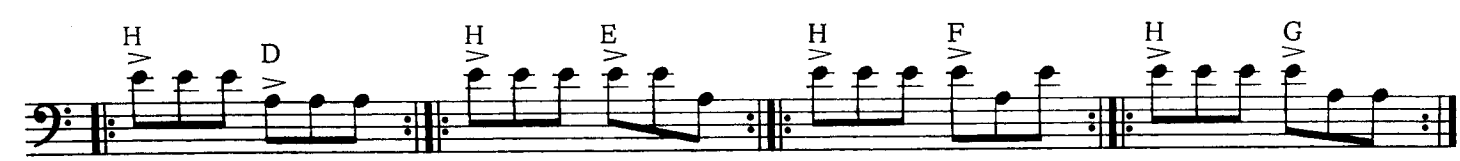
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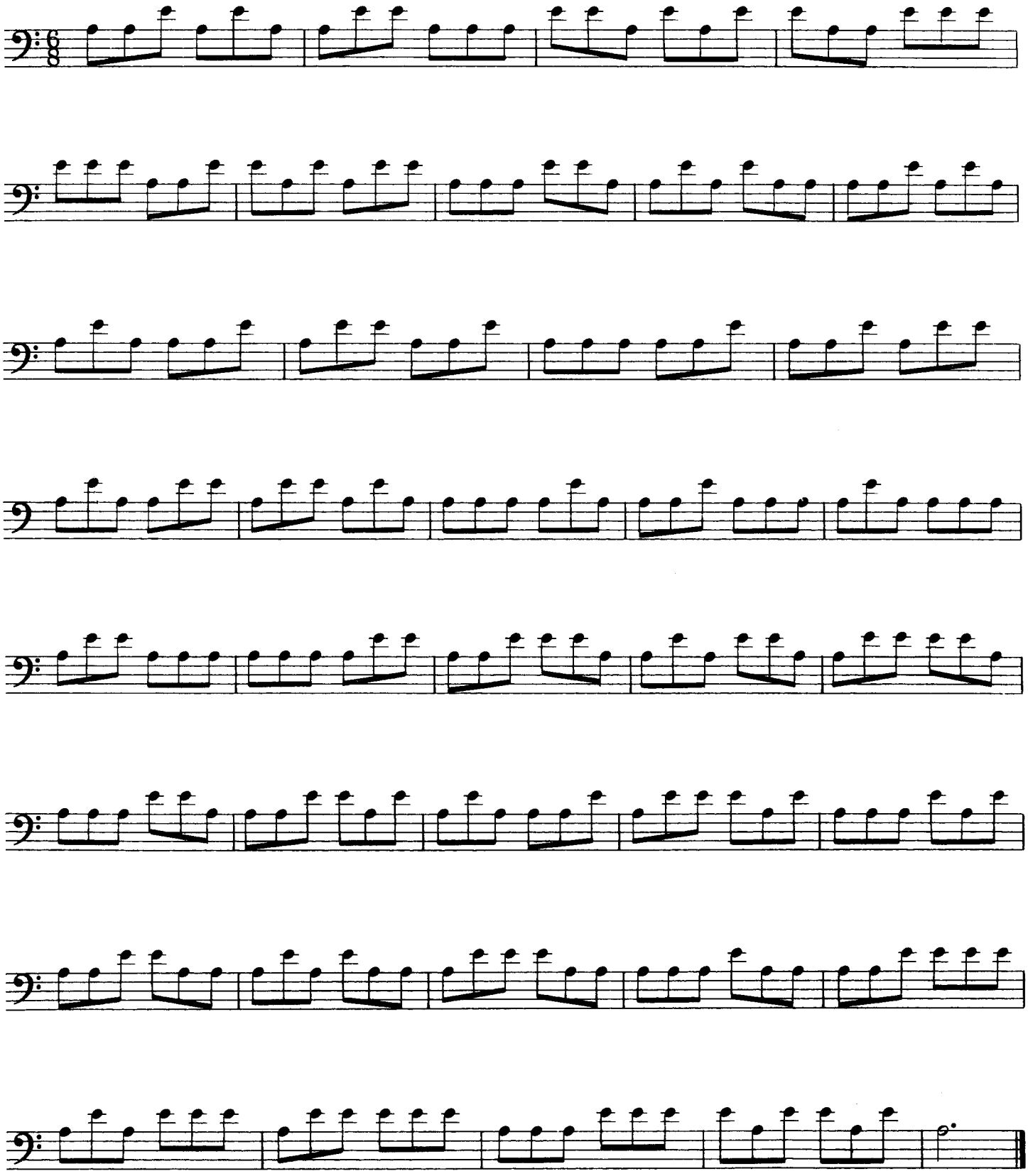
ETUDES

PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN I

Allegro con brio ♩. = 112 *(spiccato)*



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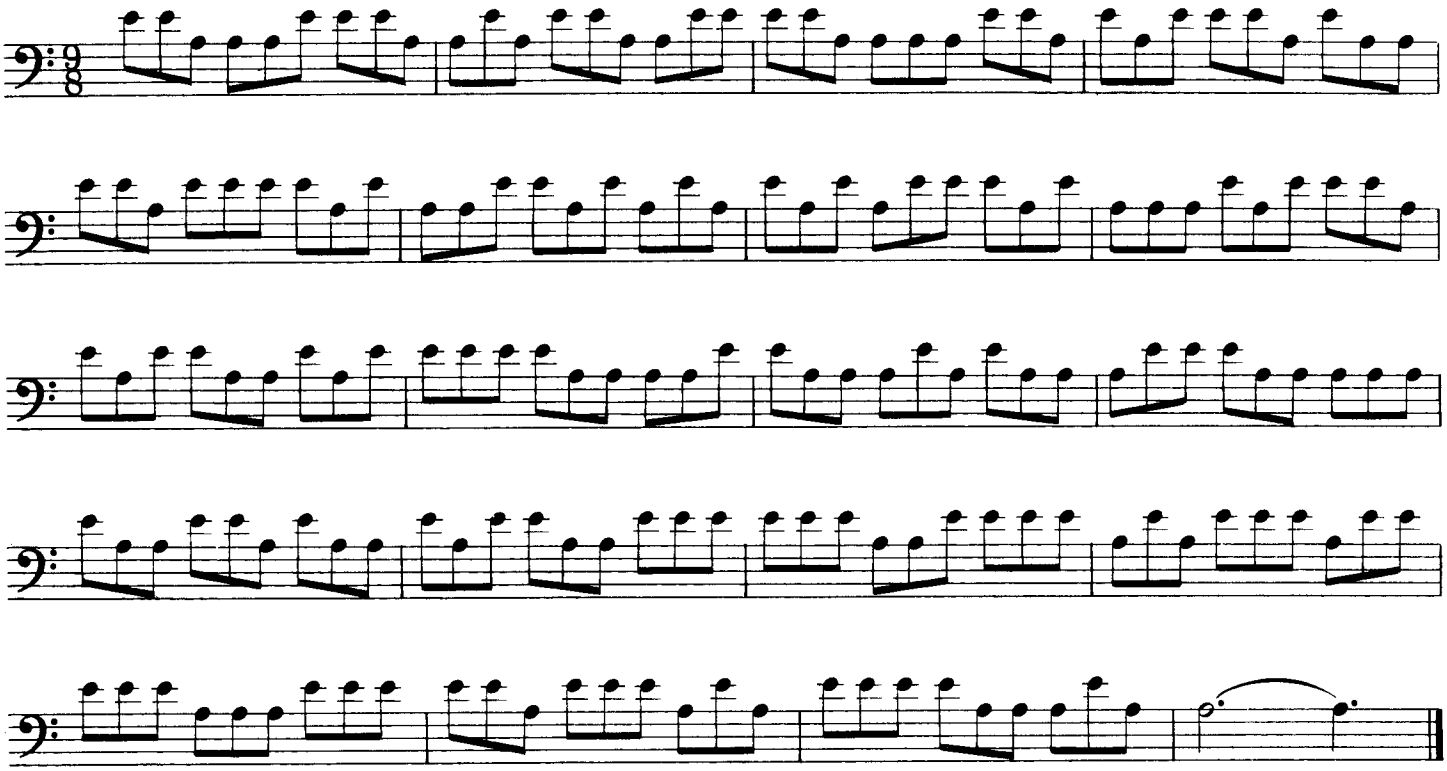
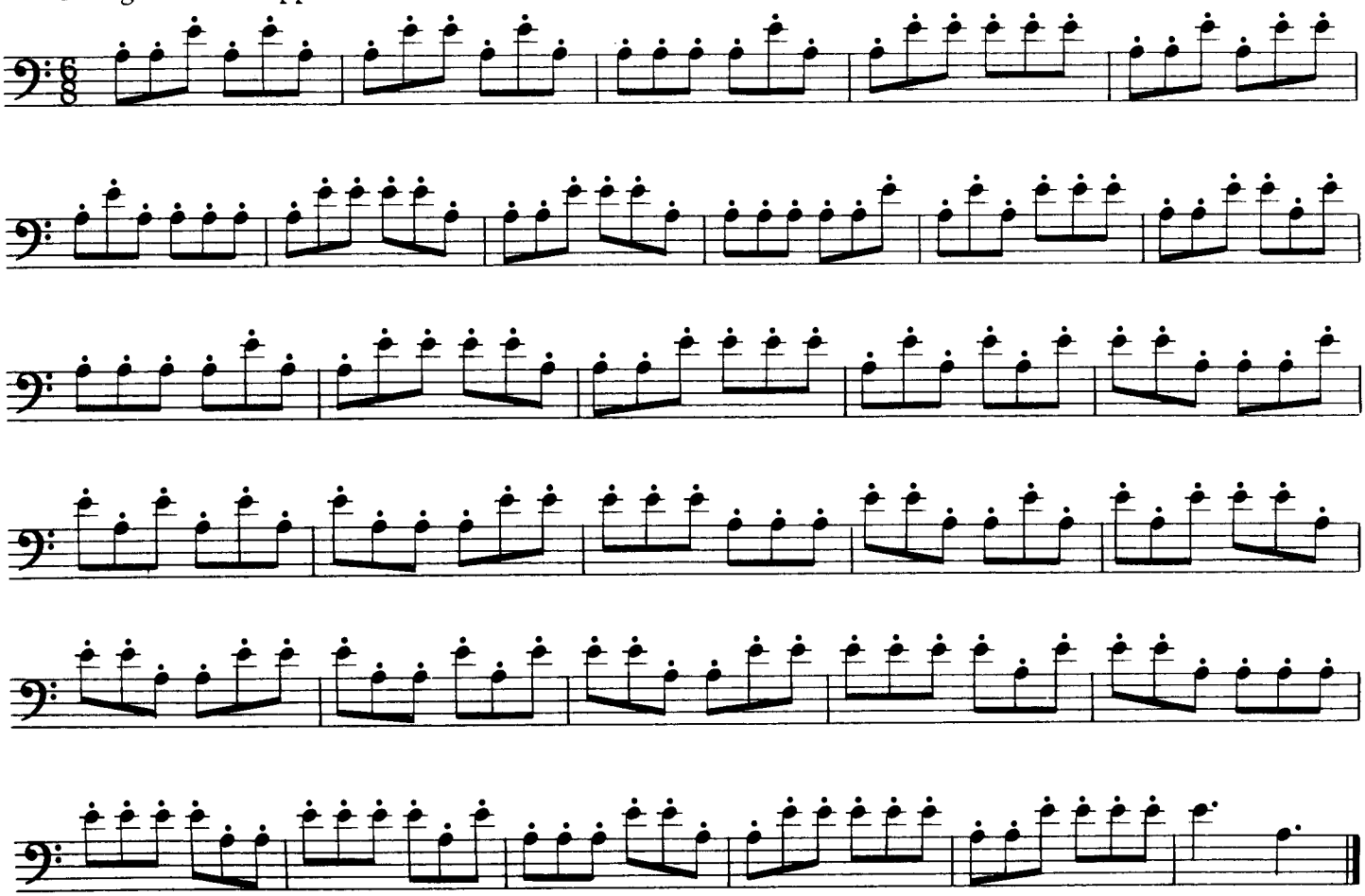


This exercise is to be practiced with a *Martelé* bowing; each note beginning with a sharp attack and separated from the next note.

Allegro non troppo ♩. = 88



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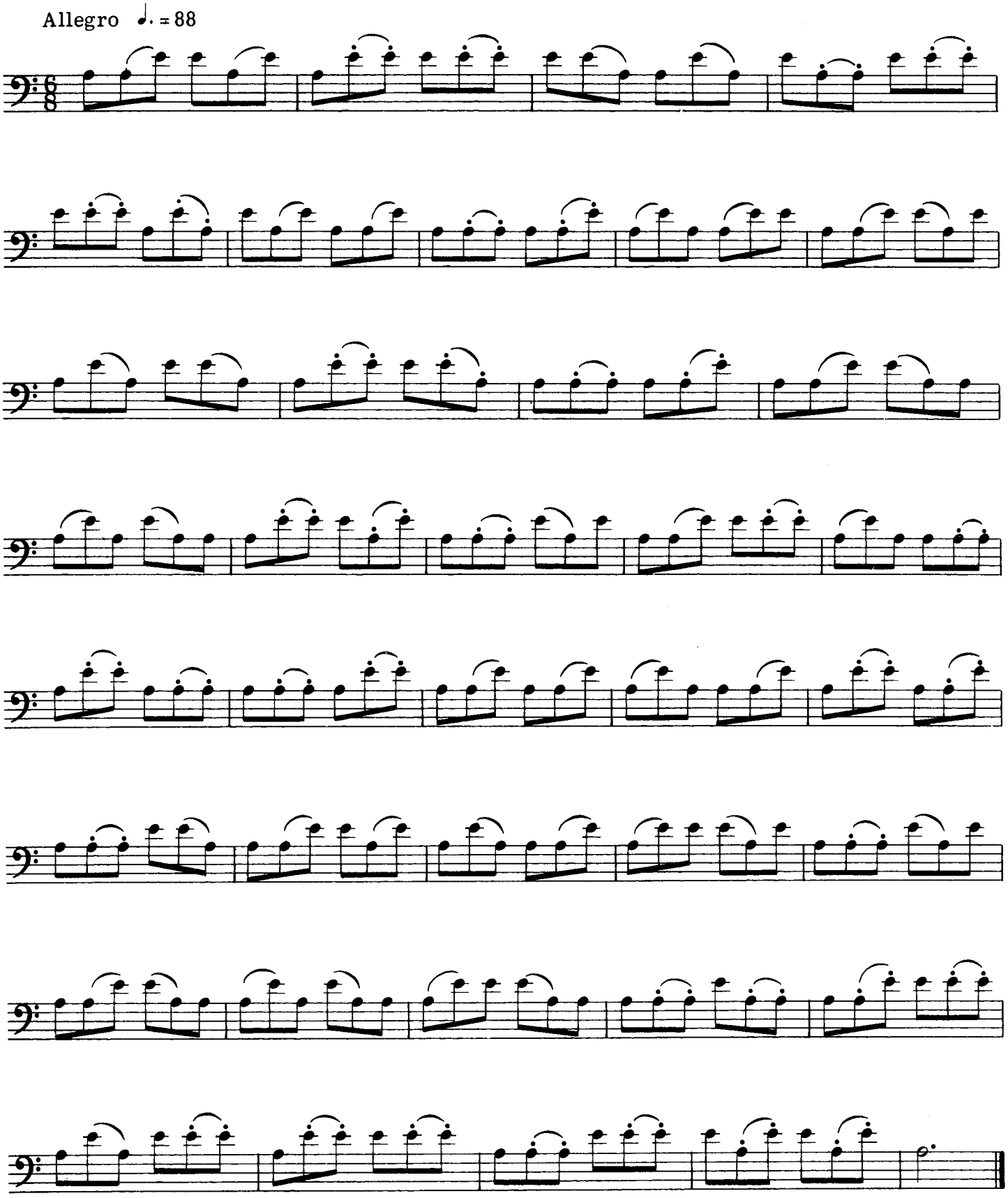
BOWINGS (PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN I)



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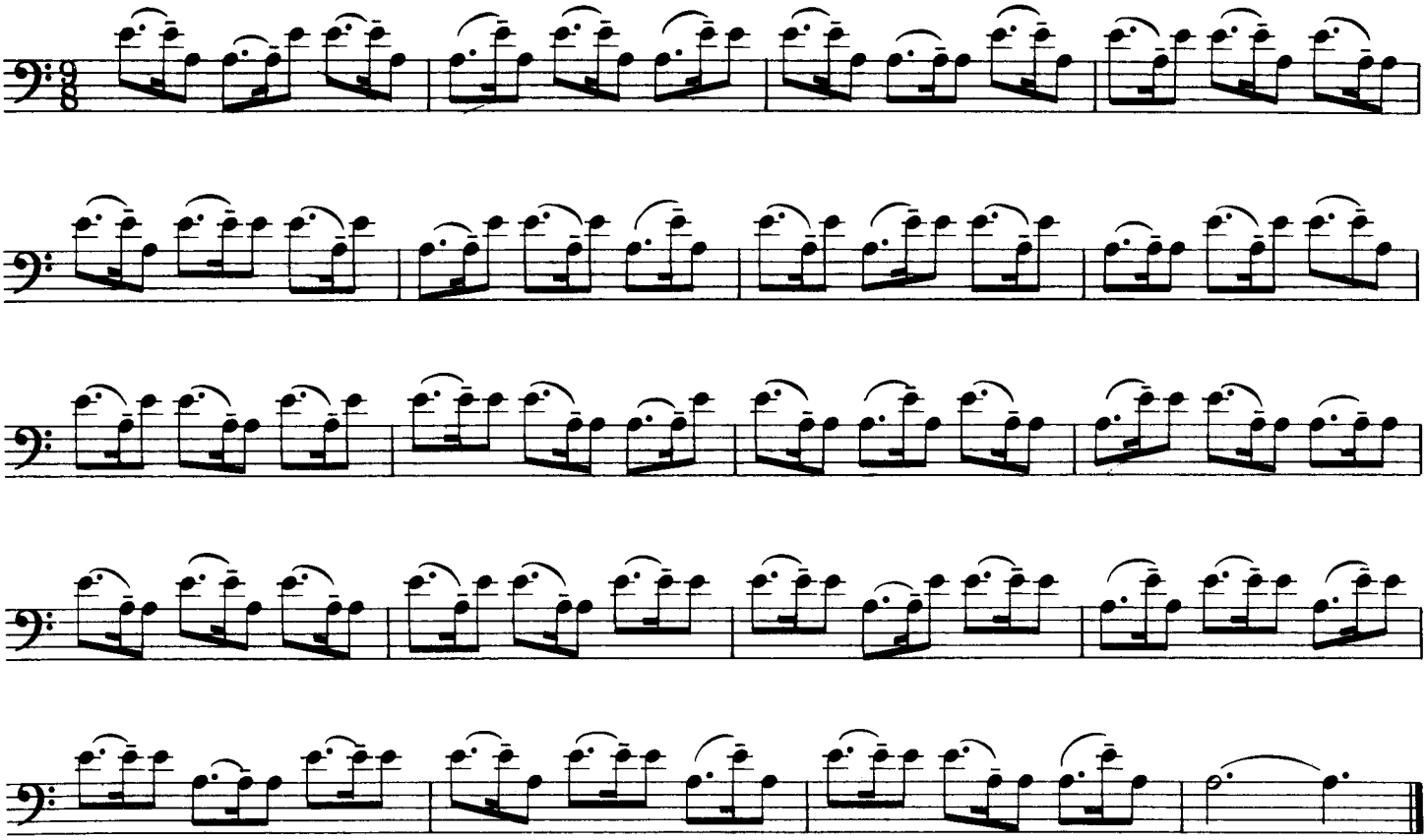

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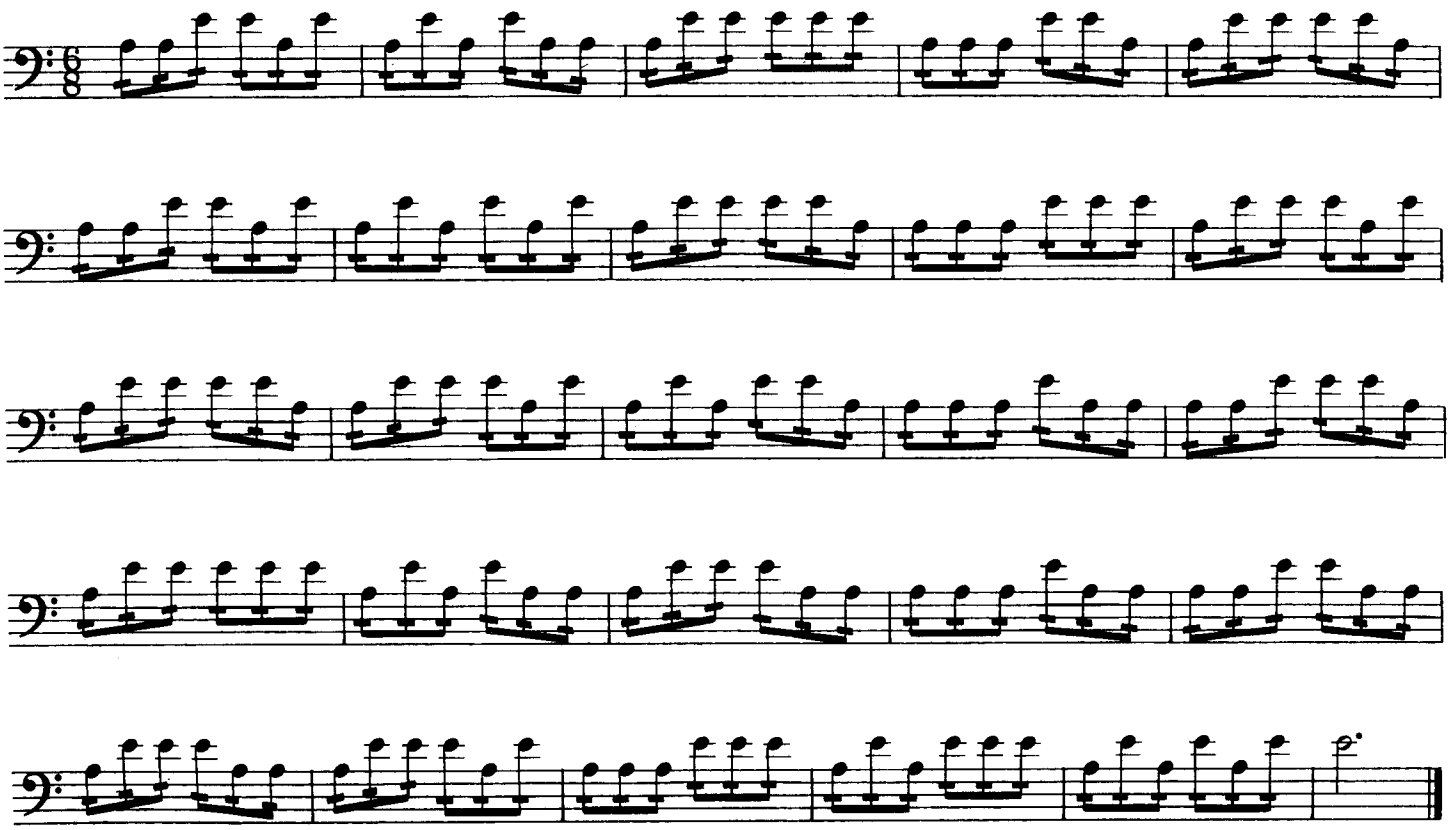

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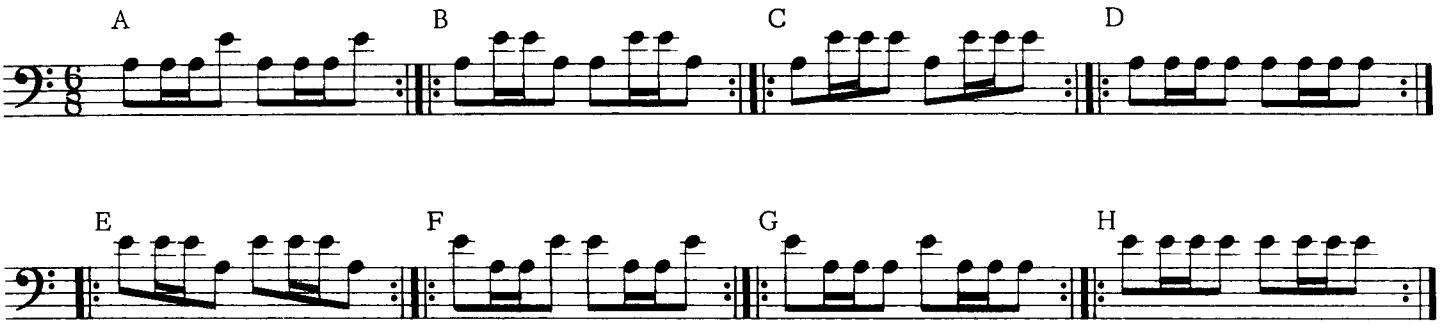

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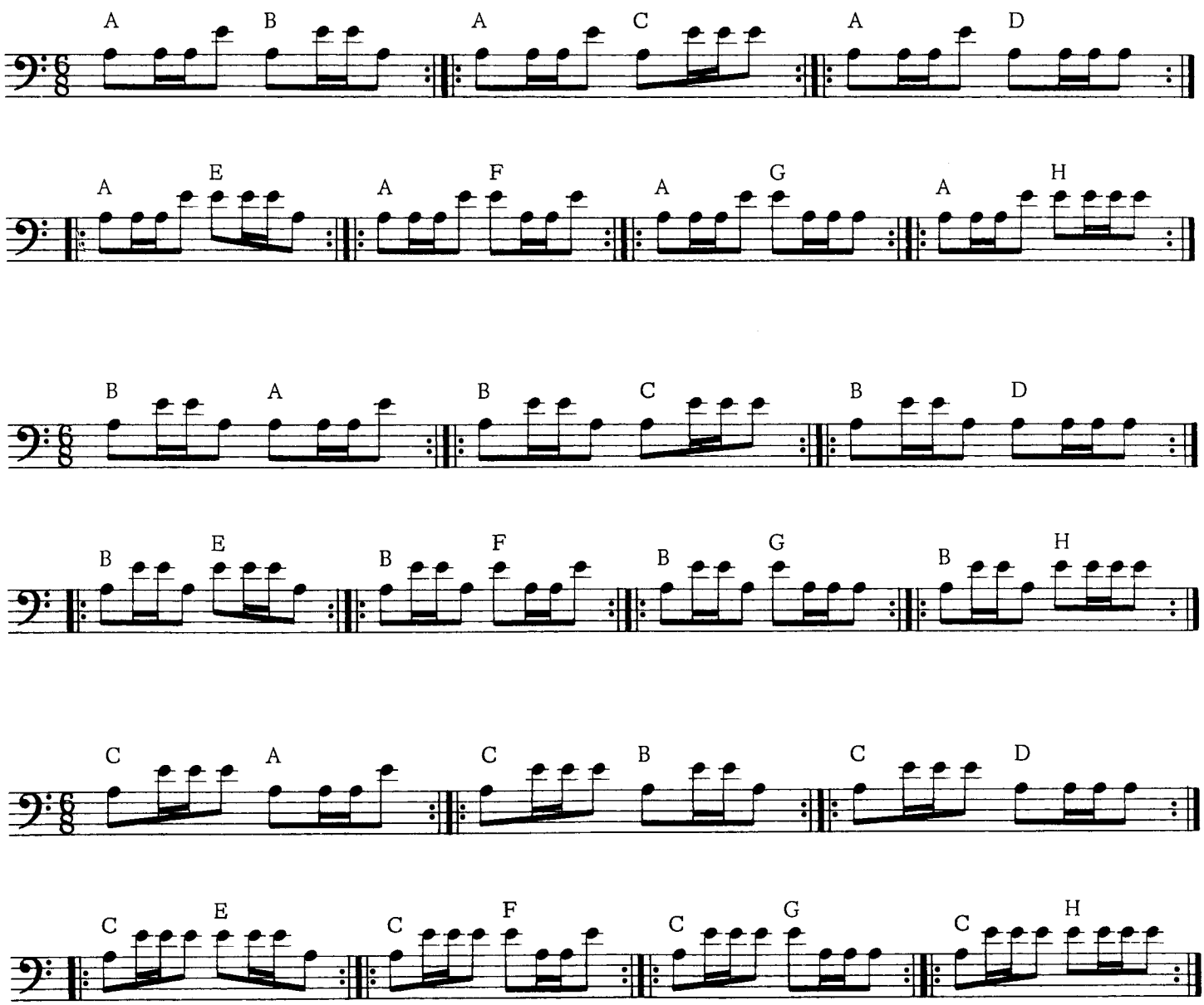

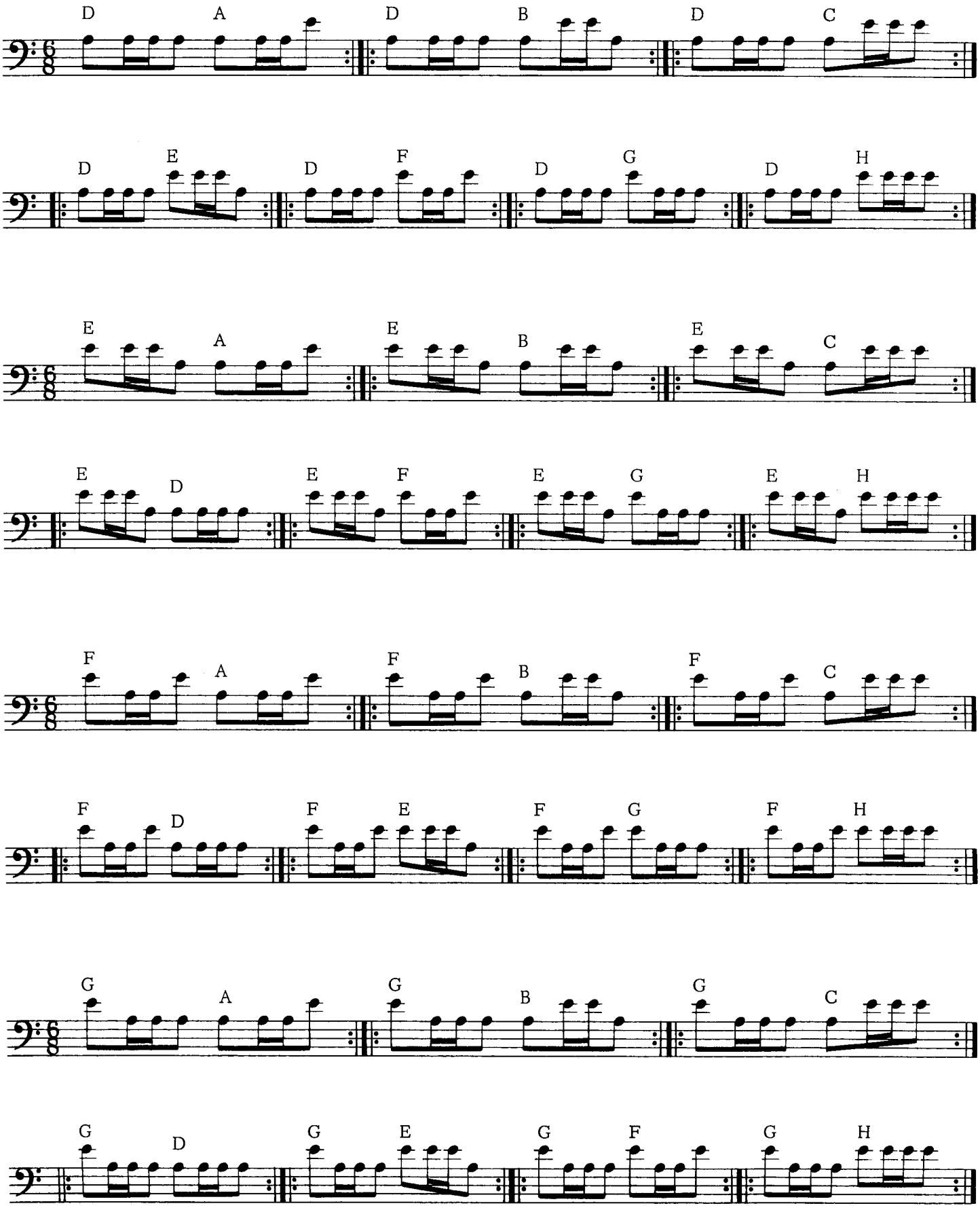
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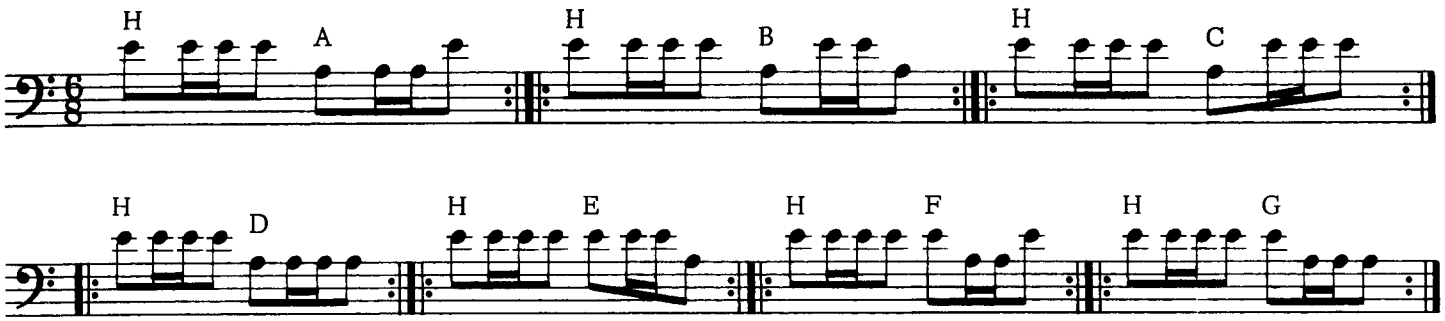

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PERMUTATIONS OF VARIATIONS OF PATTERN I

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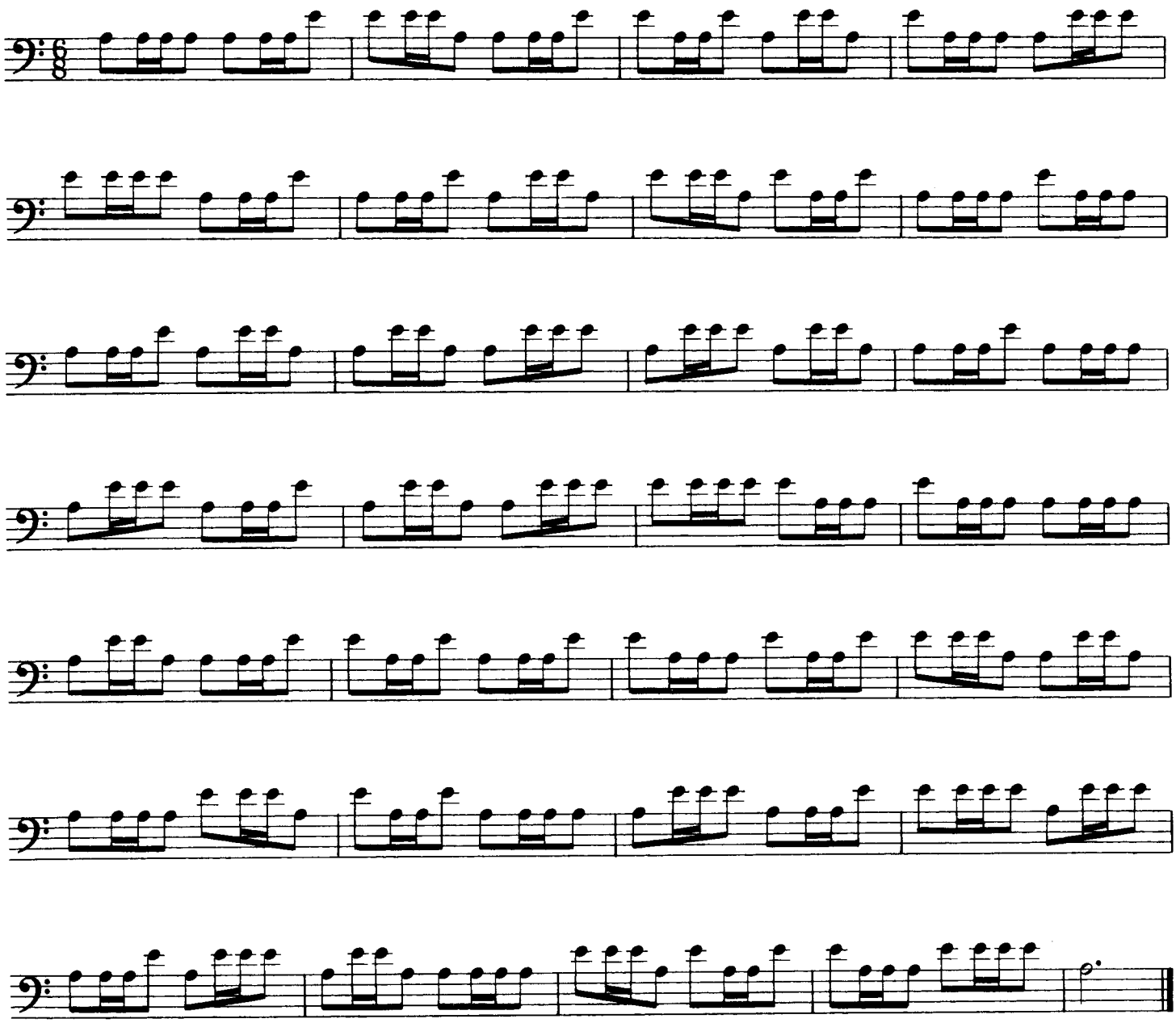

ETUDES

PERMUTATIONS OF ANOTHER VARIATION OF PATTERN I

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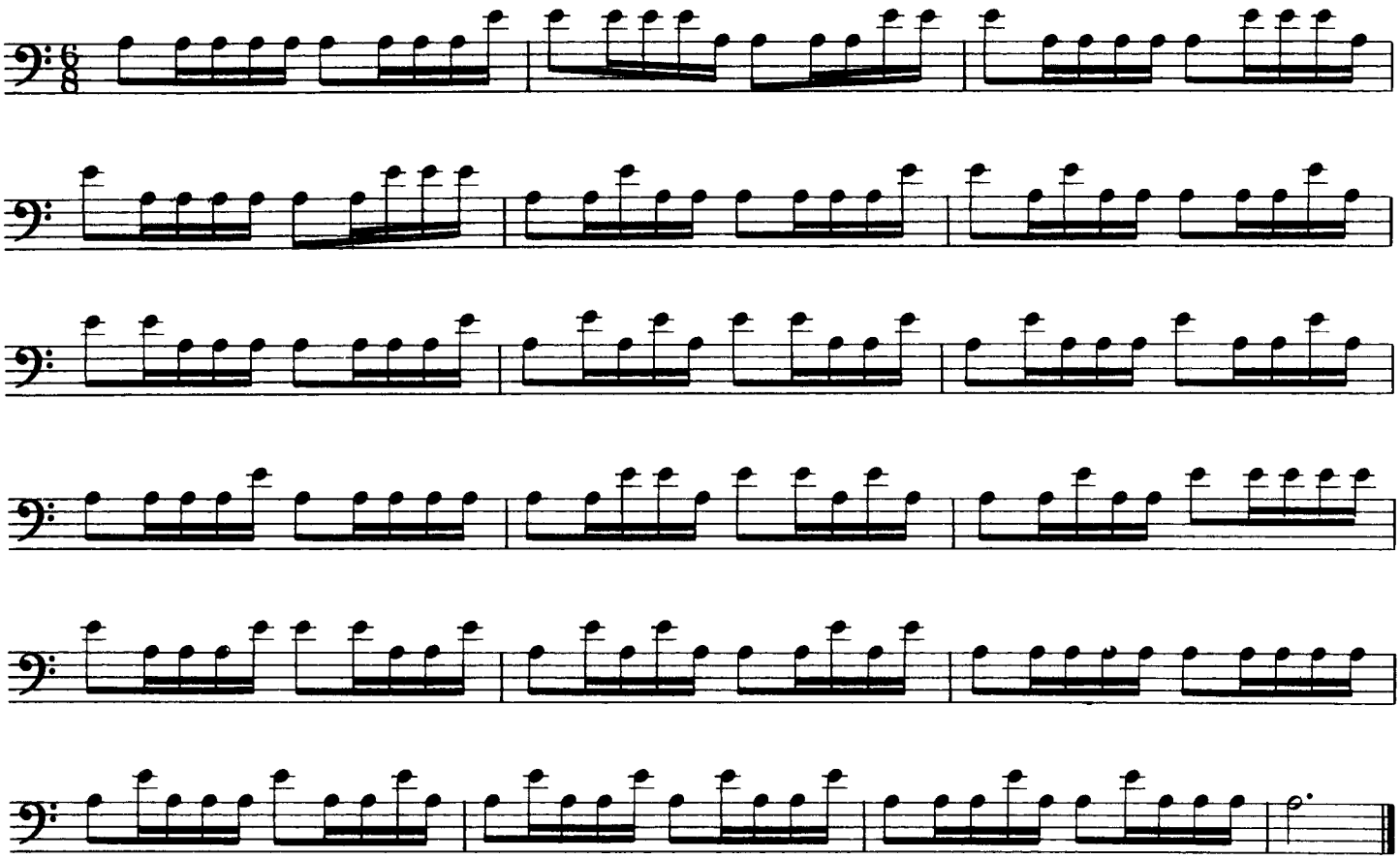

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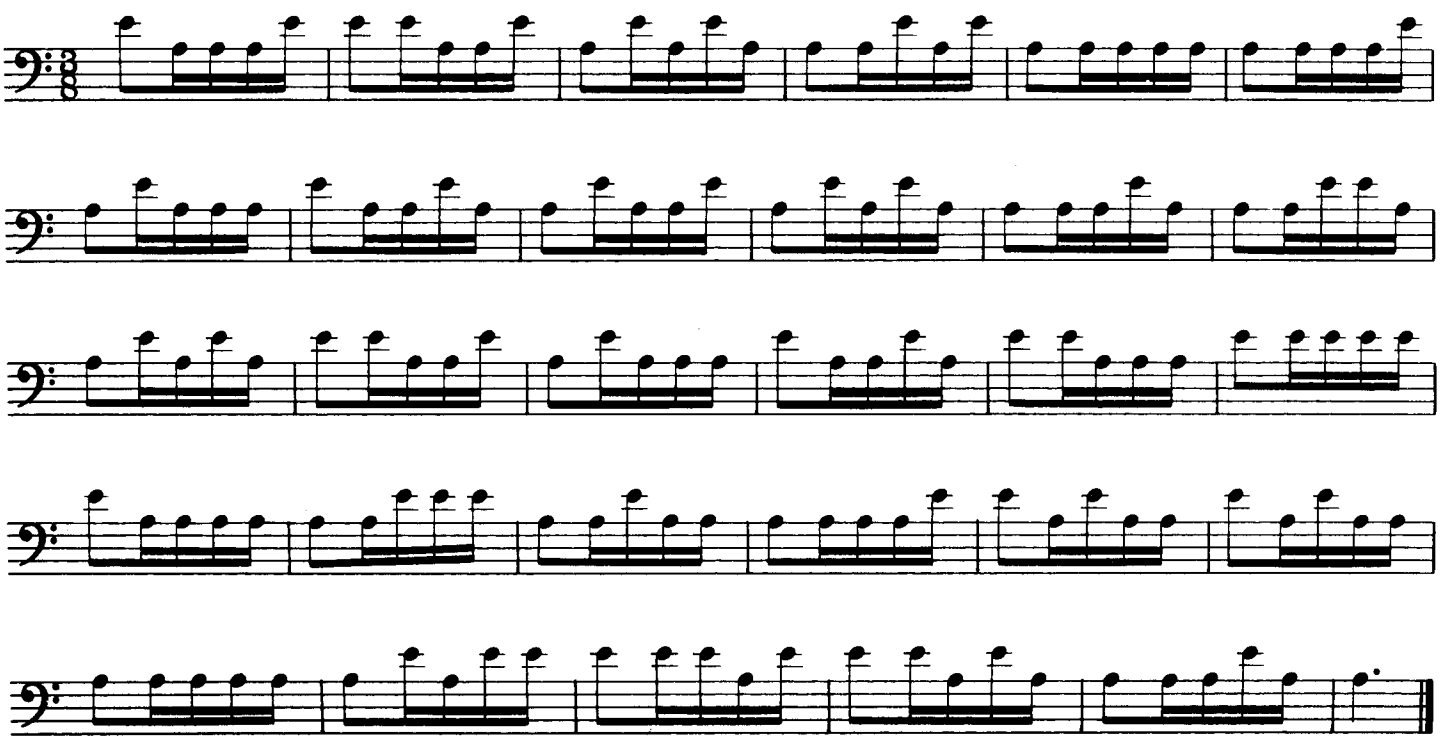

EXERCISES BASED ON PATTERN I

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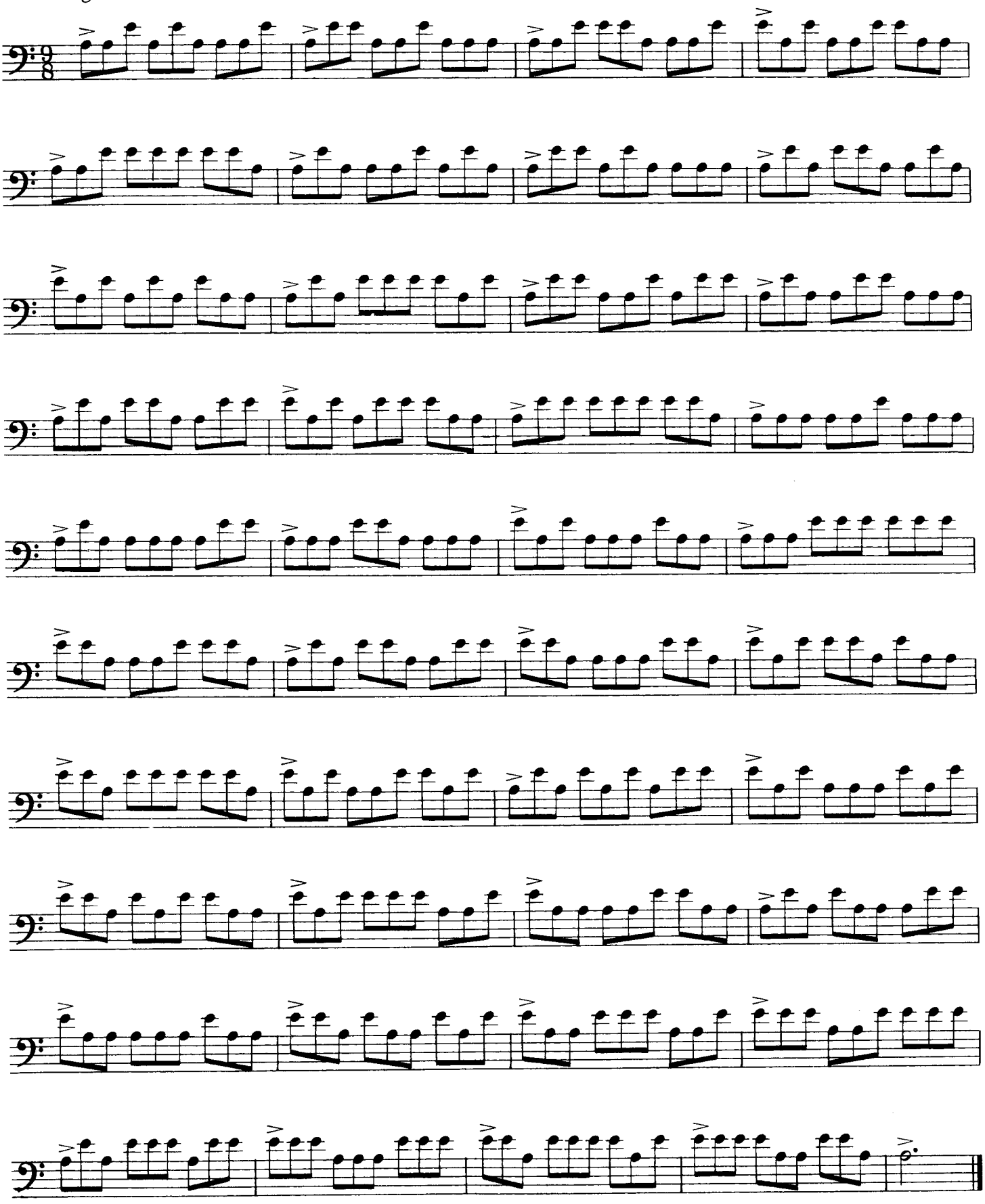

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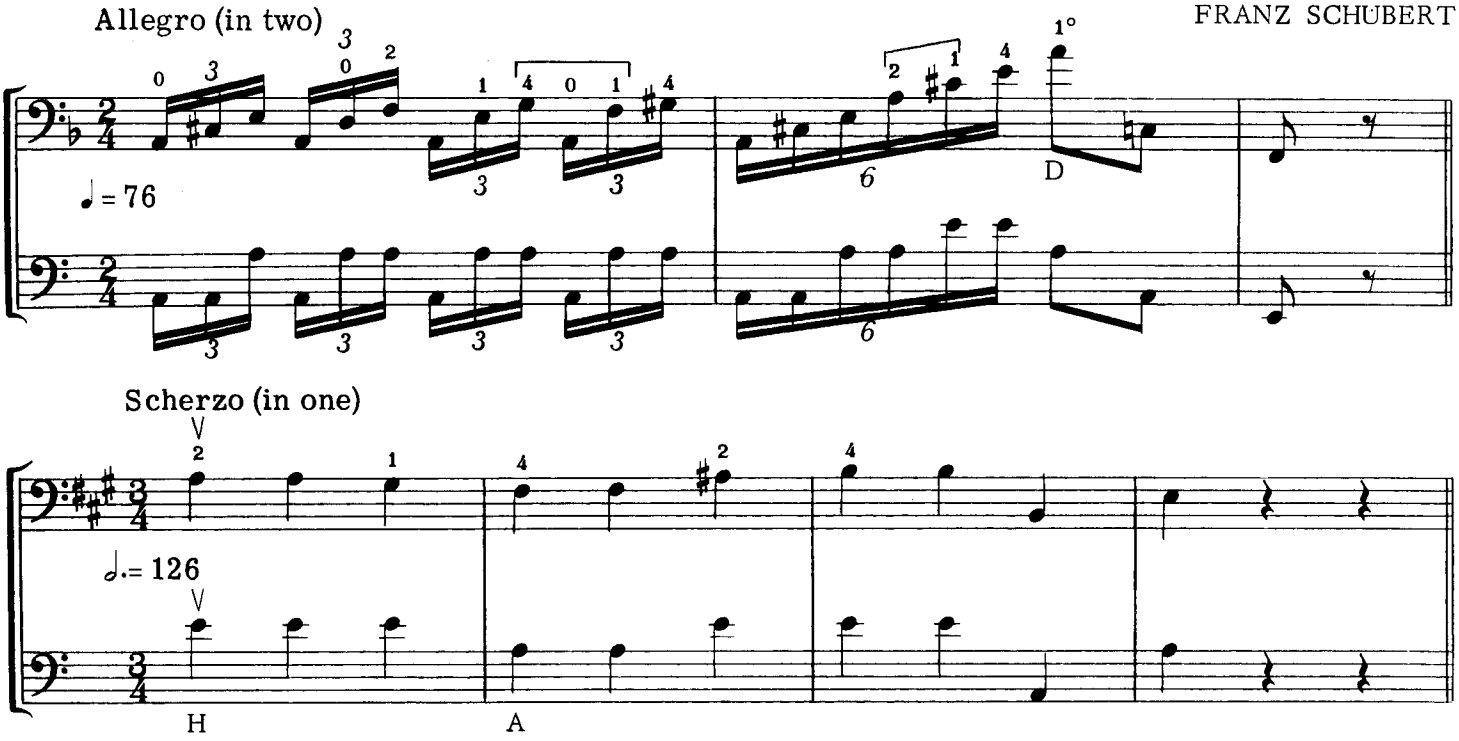

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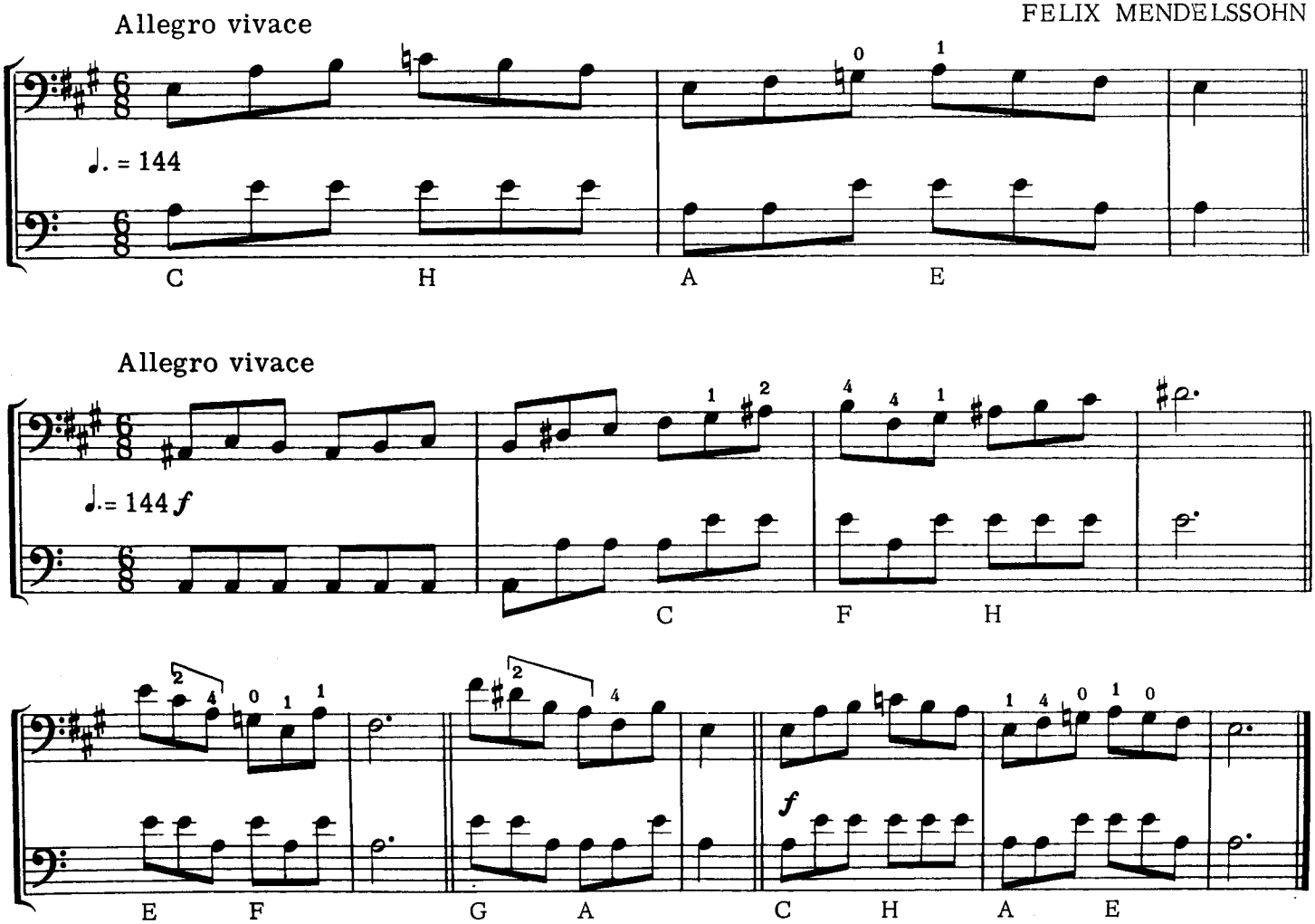

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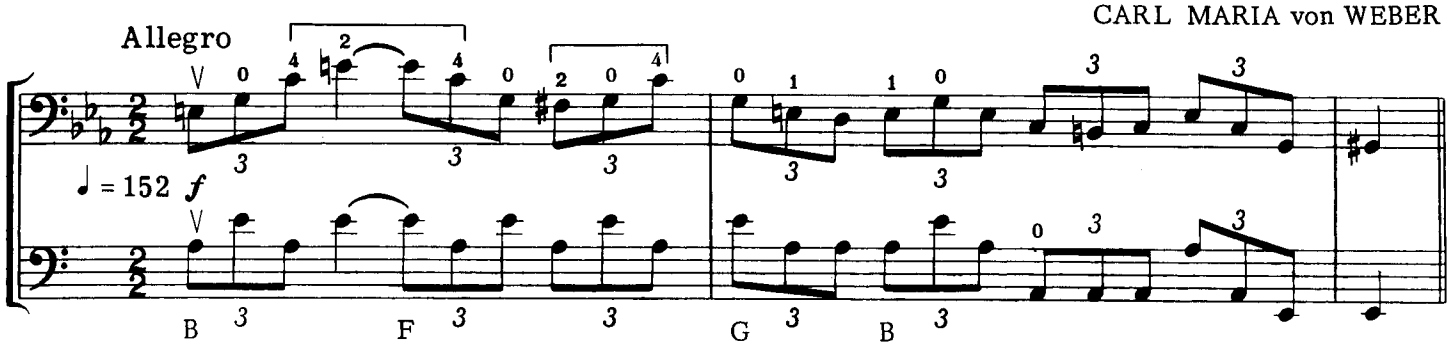

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Allegro con spirito

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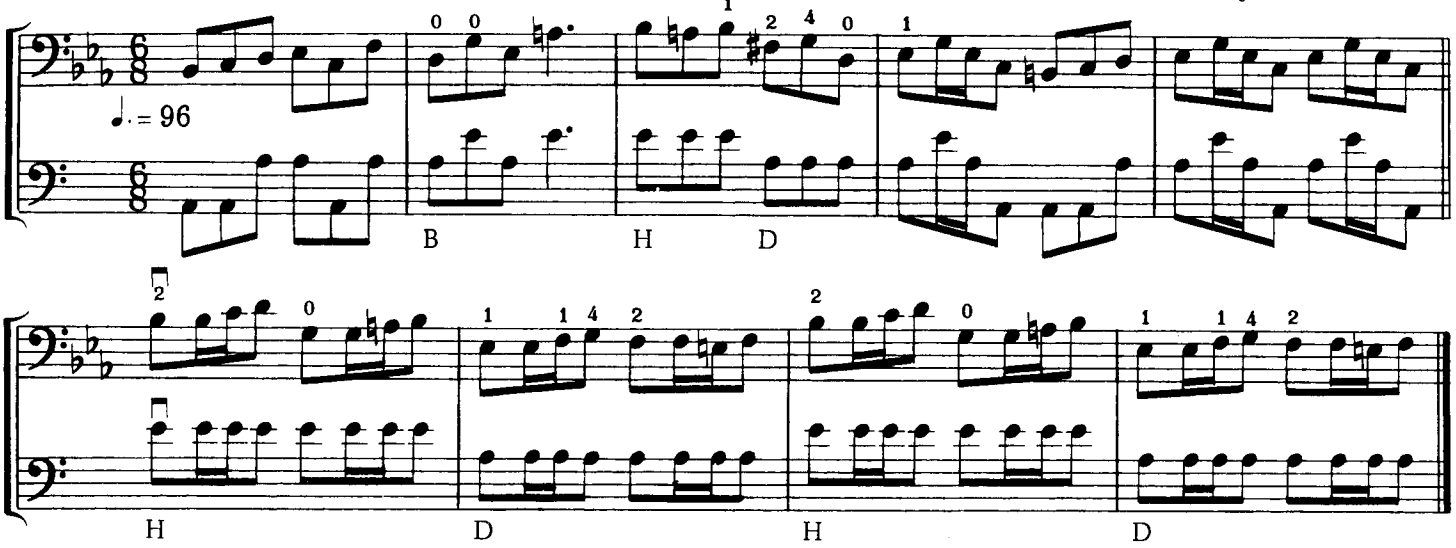

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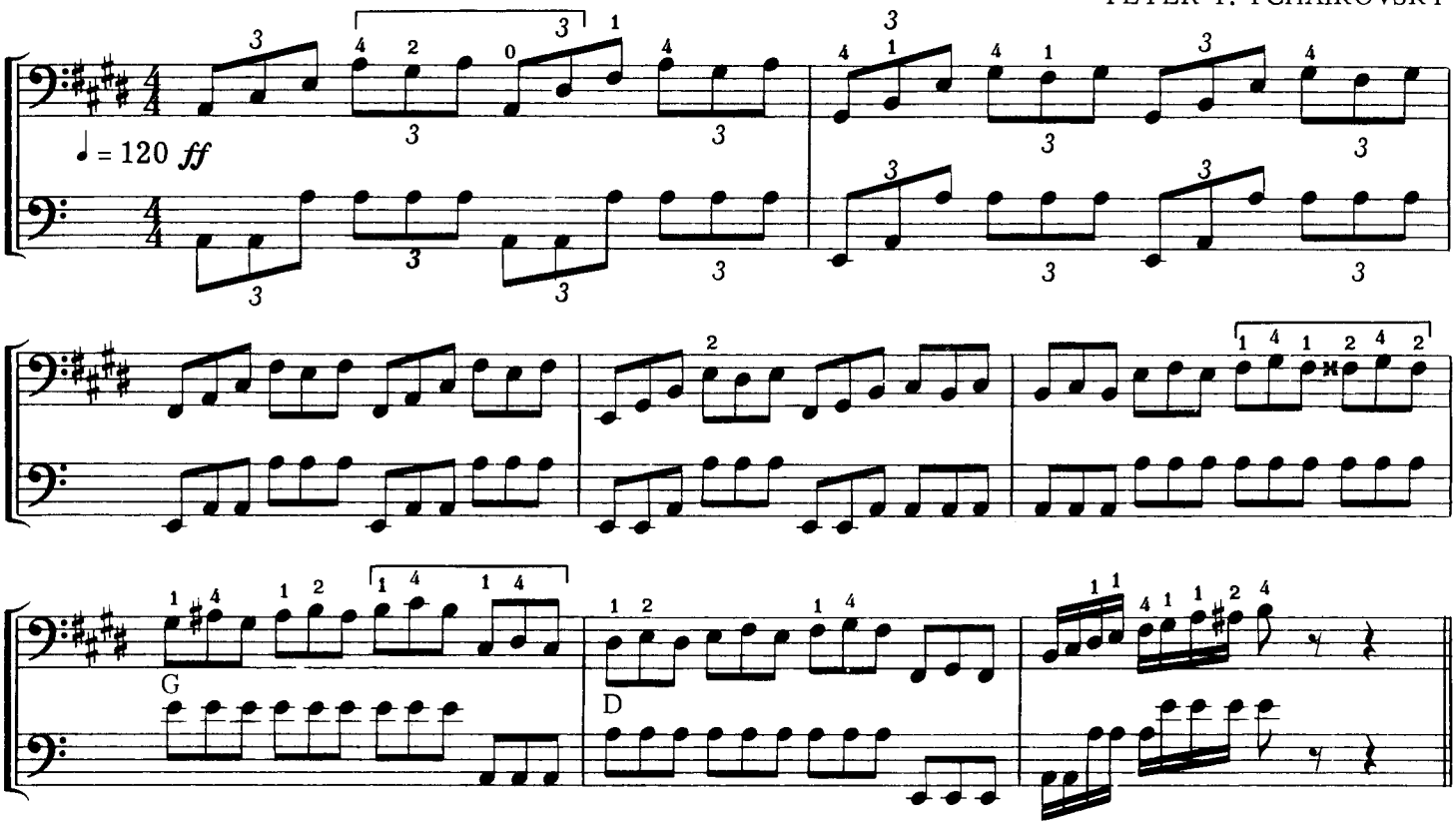
Moderato assai

PETER I. TCHAIKOVSKY



CEPHALE ET PROCRIS SUITE

Allegro

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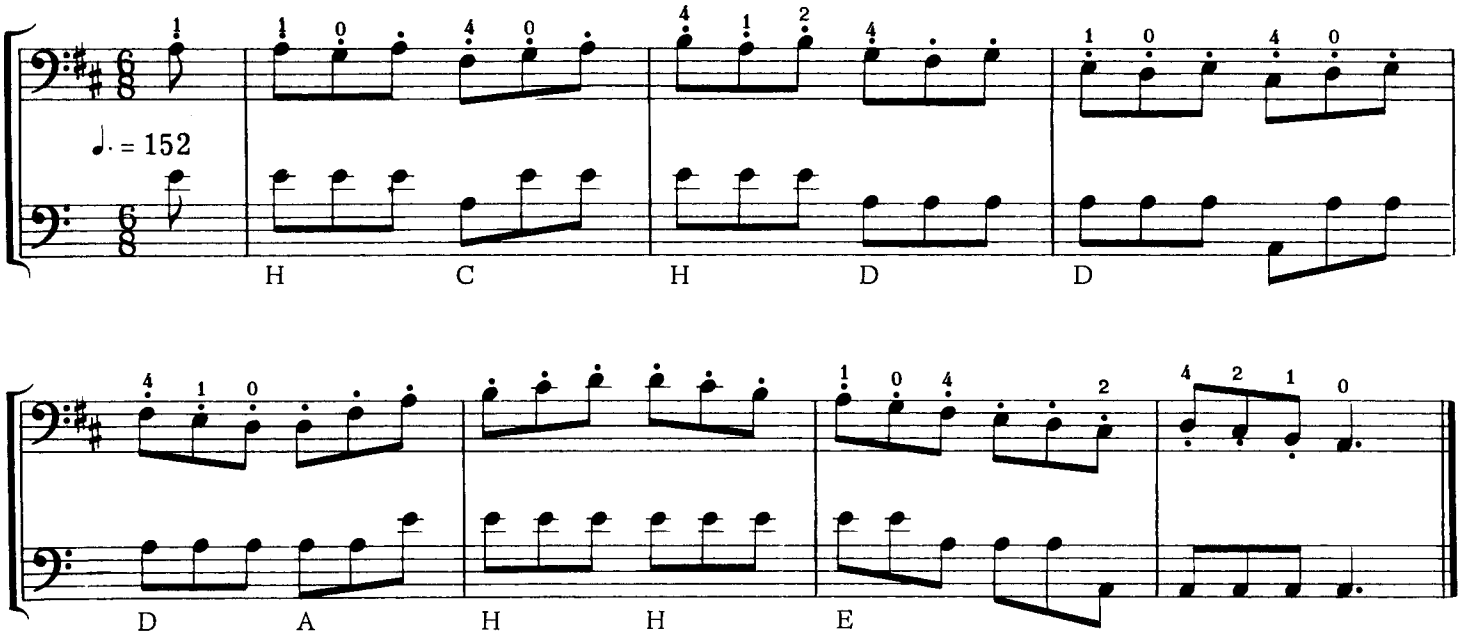

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Presto

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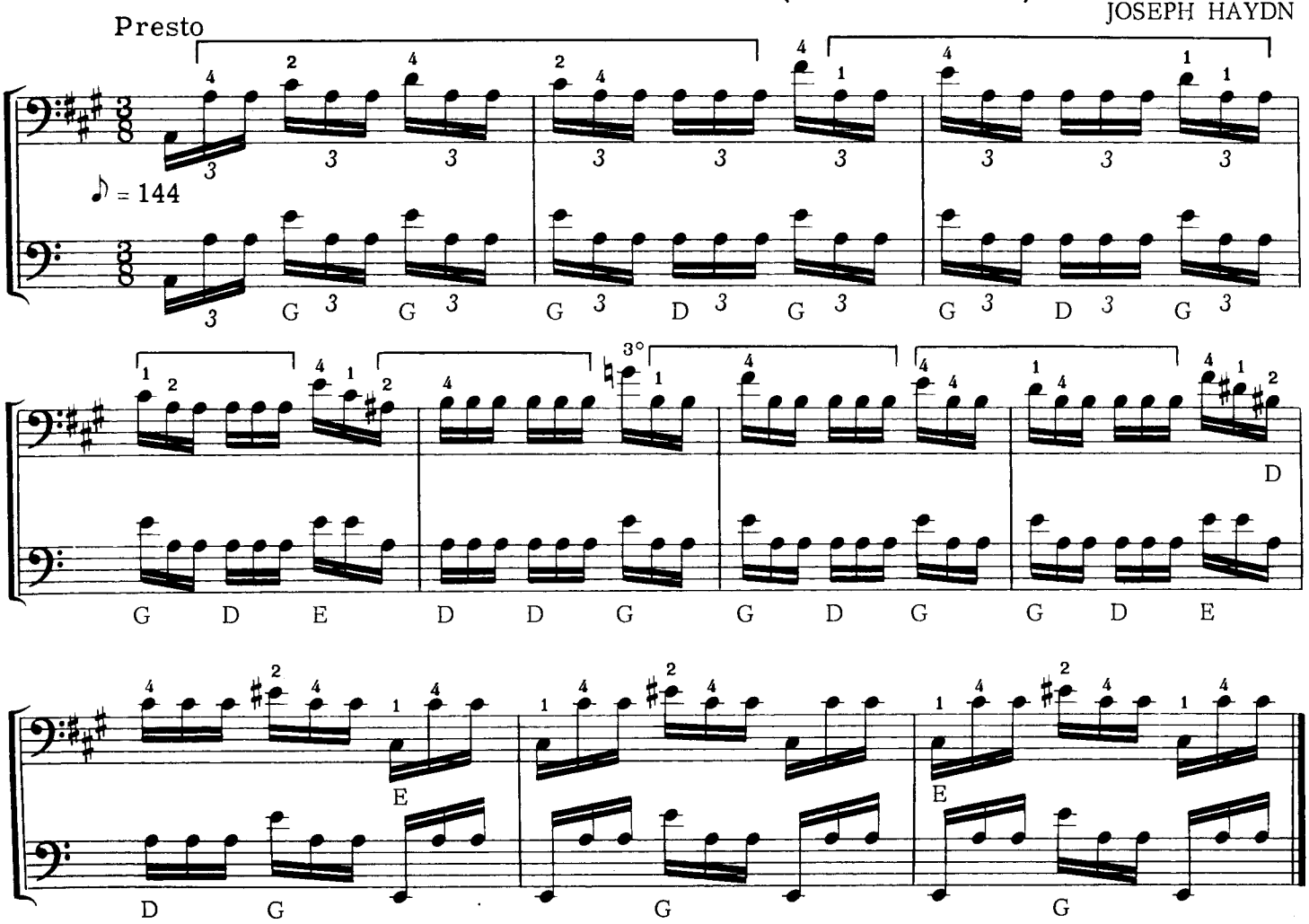

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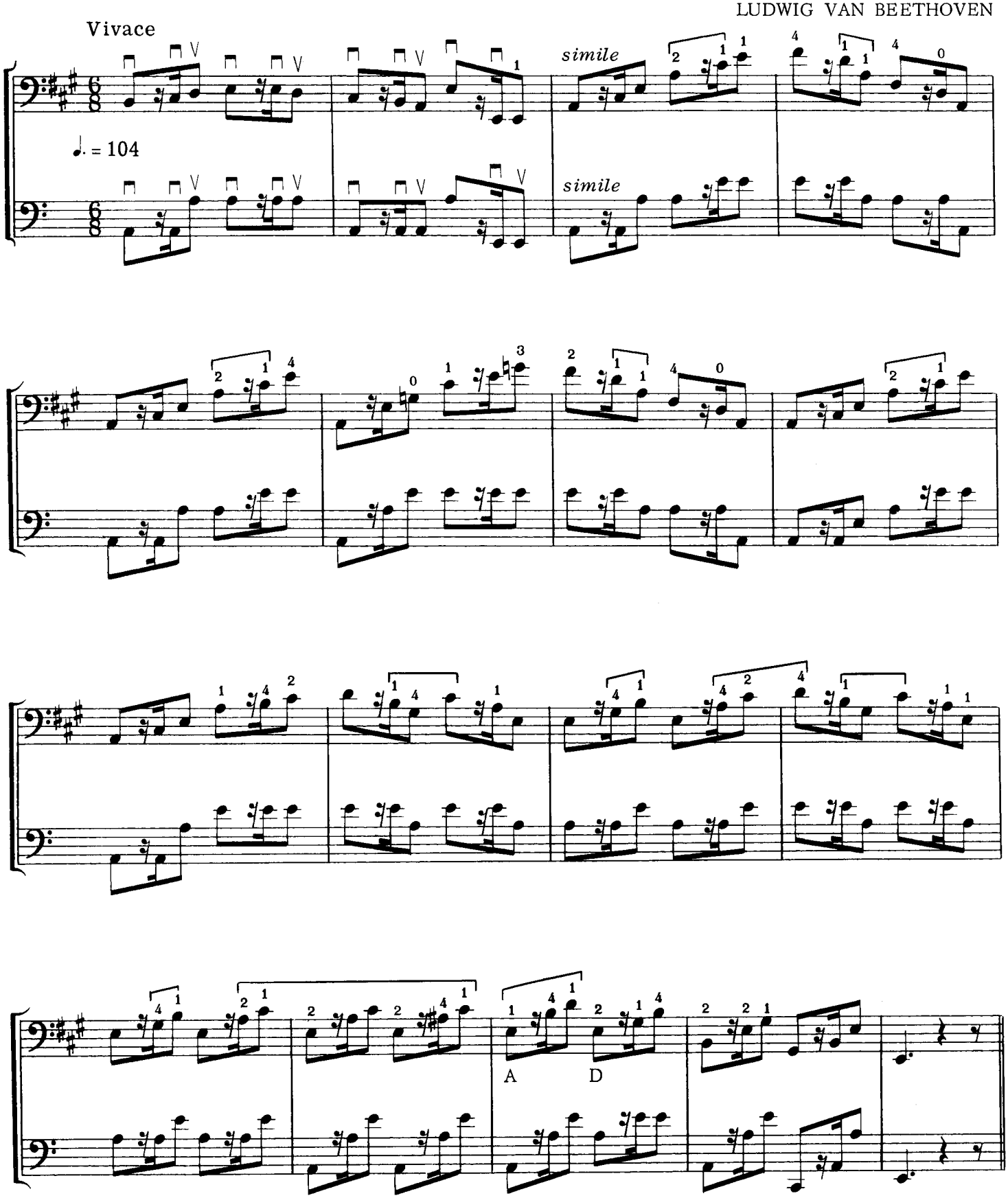

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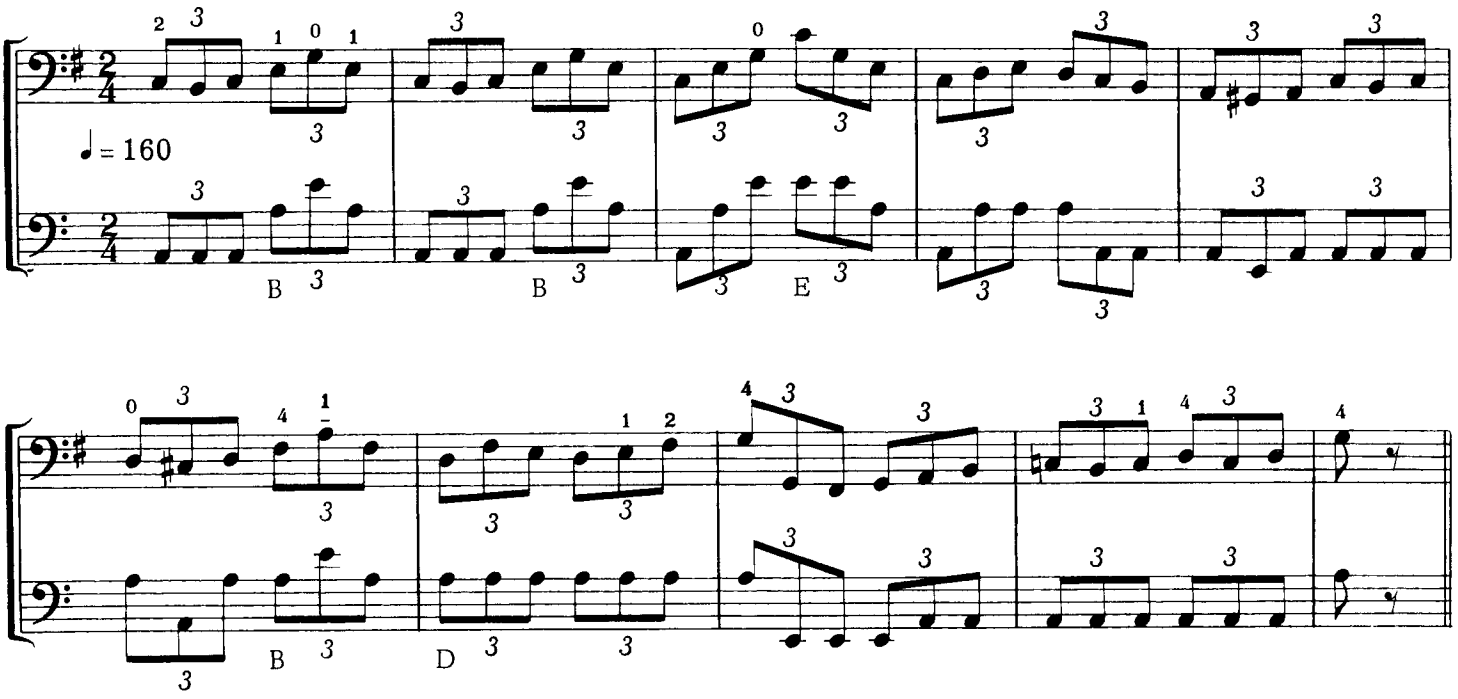

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Allegro con brio

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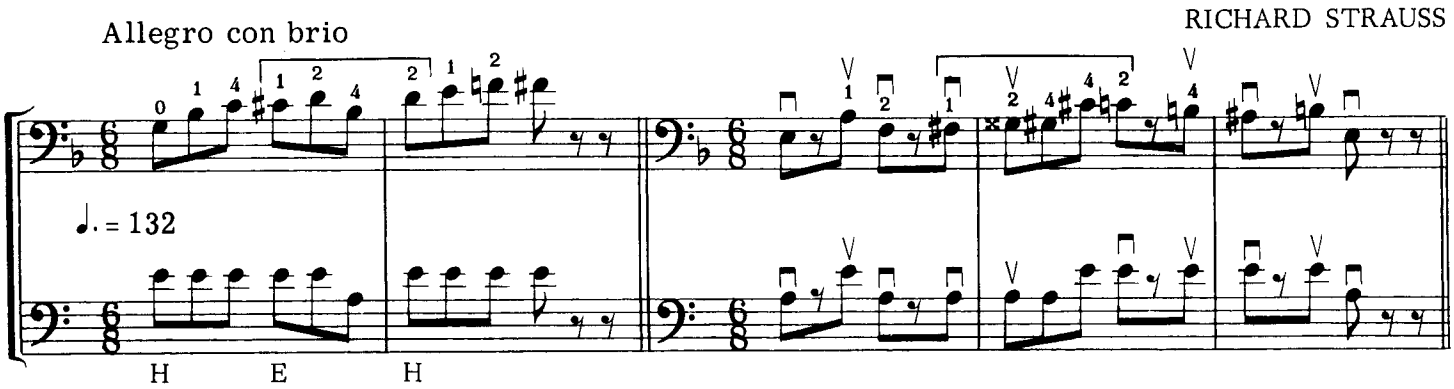

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Allegro di molto

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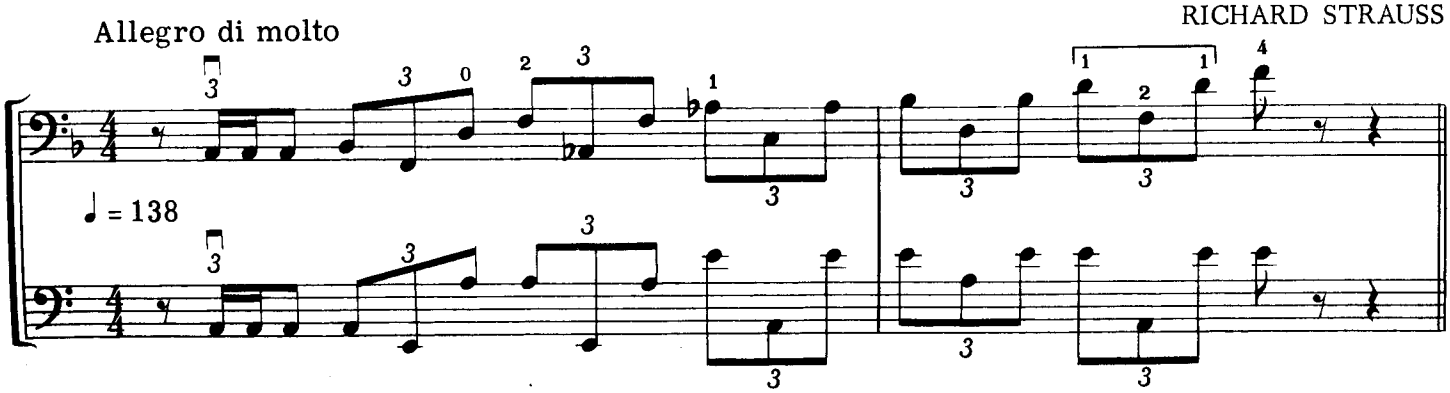

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SYMPHONY No. 7

Allegro vivace (in one)

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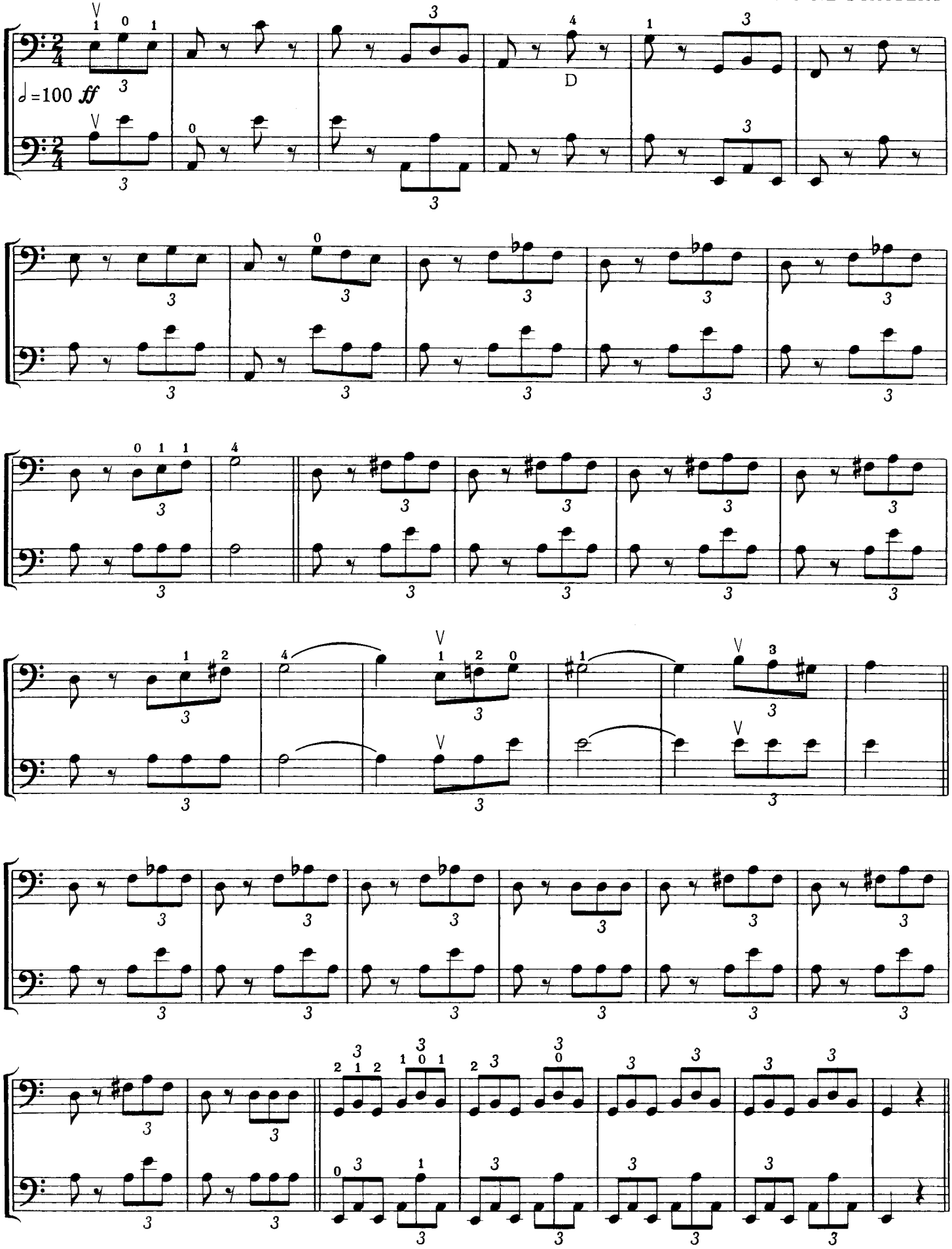

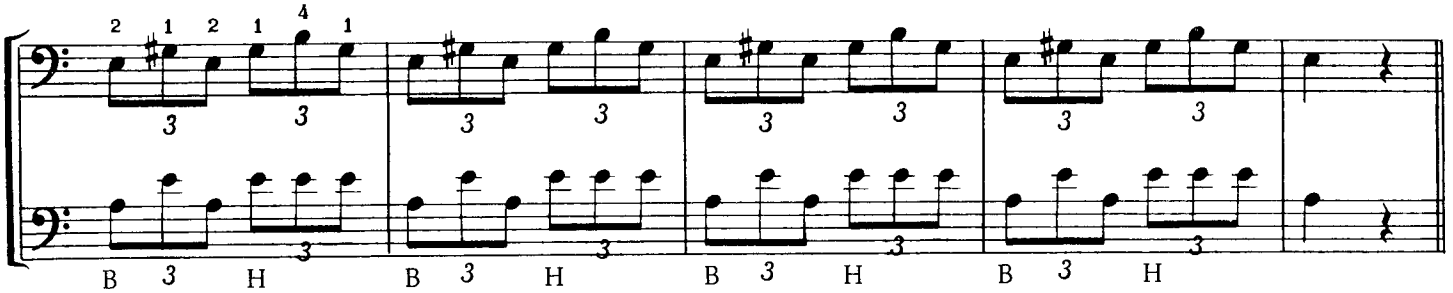

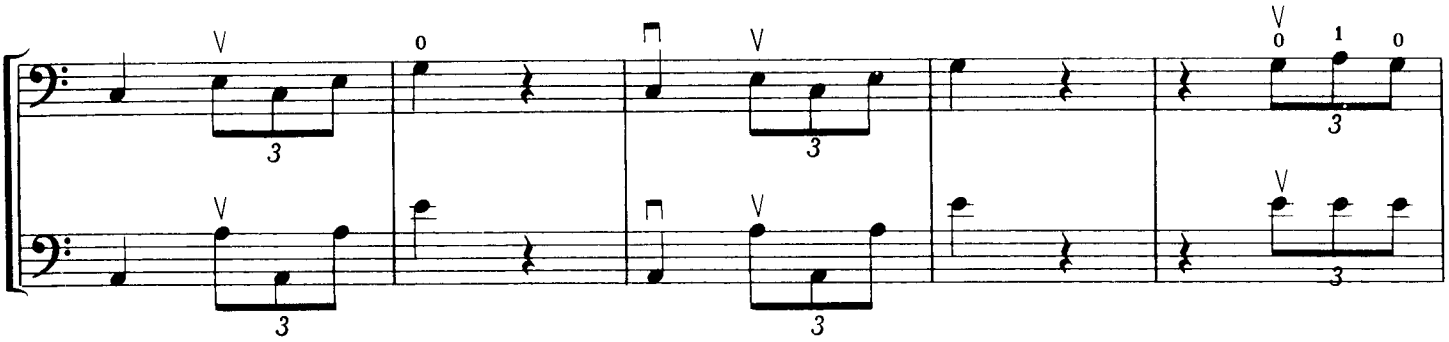

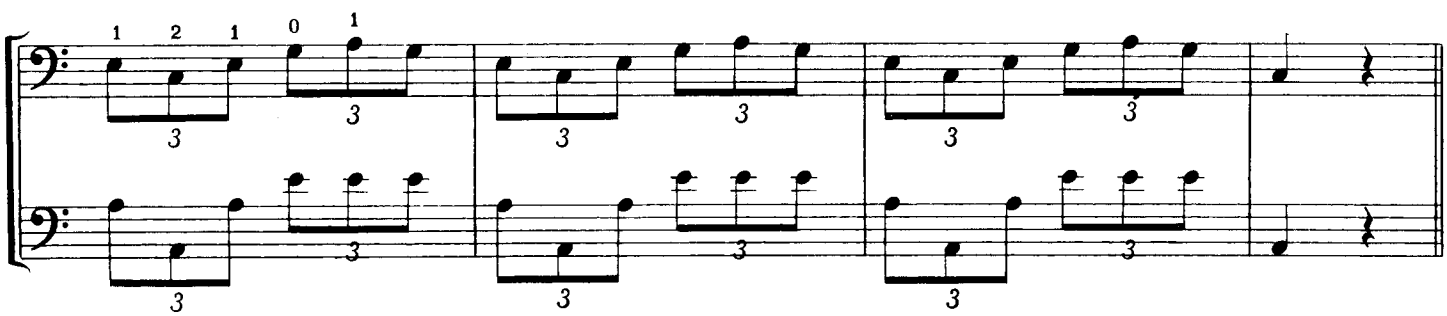

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Allegro

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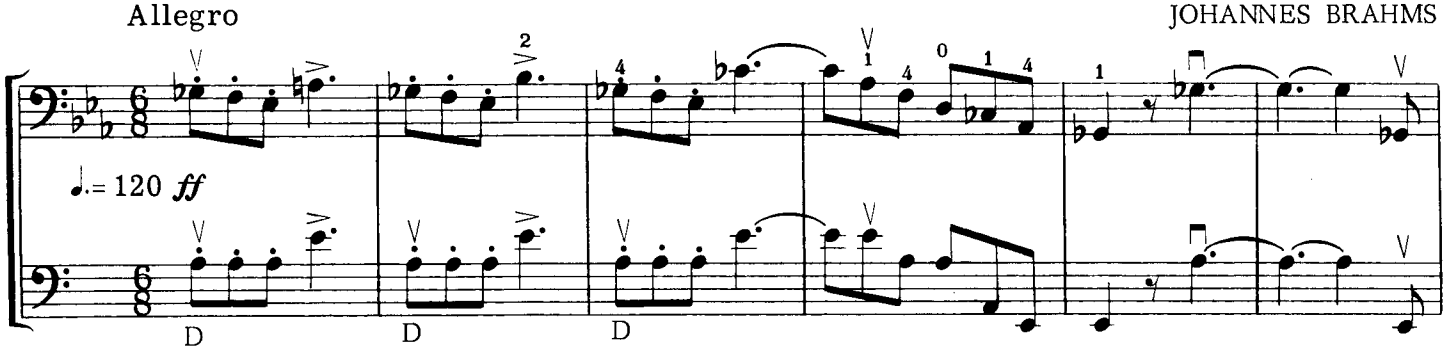

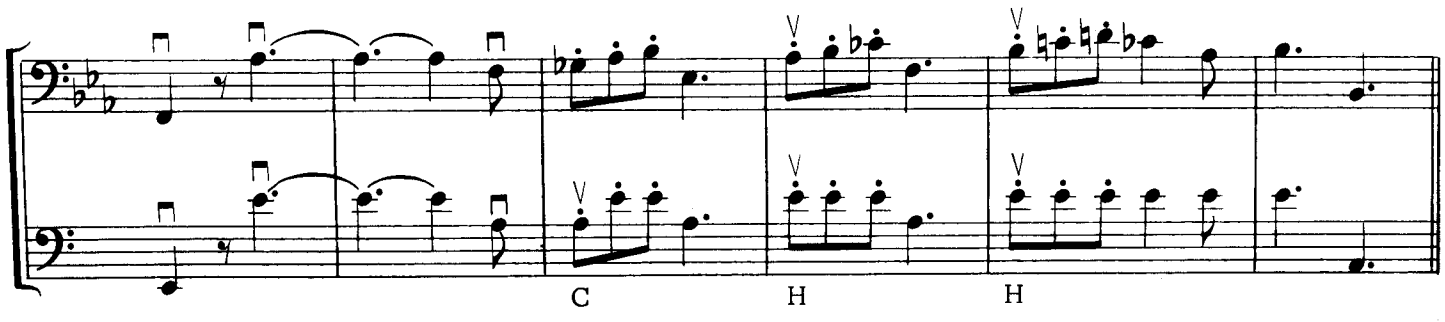

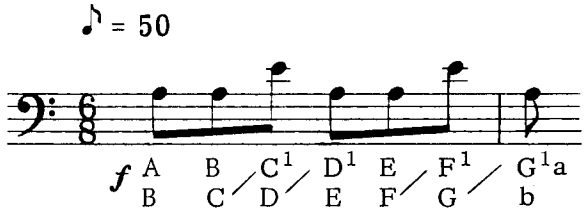
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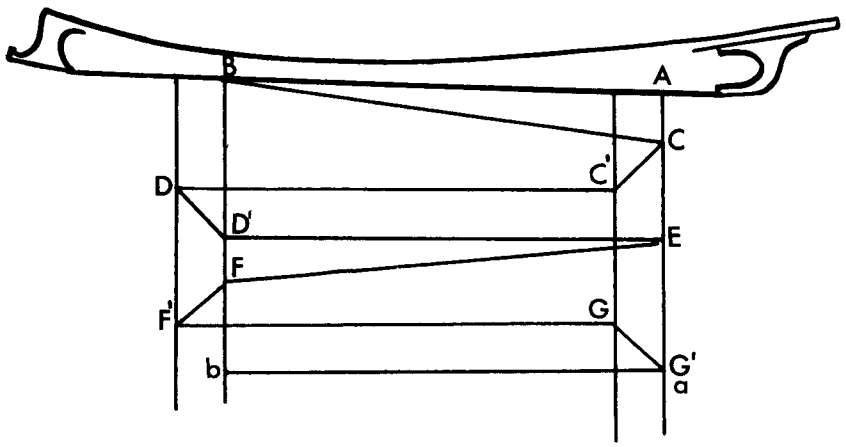
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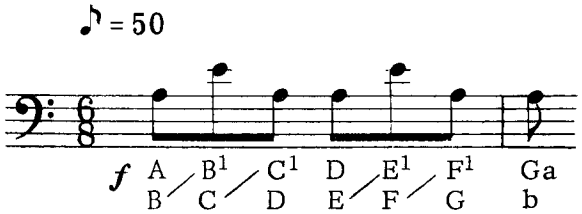
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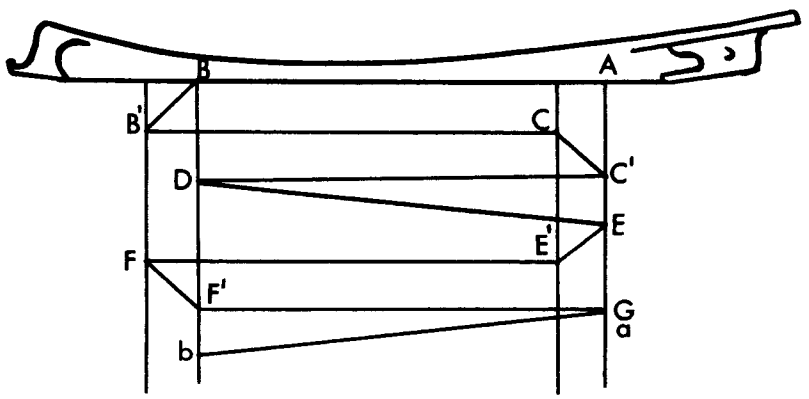
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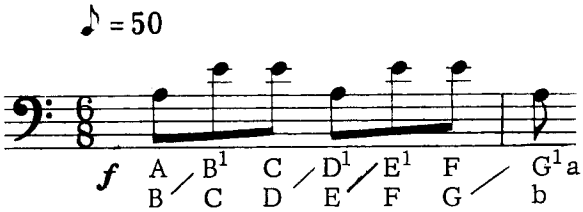
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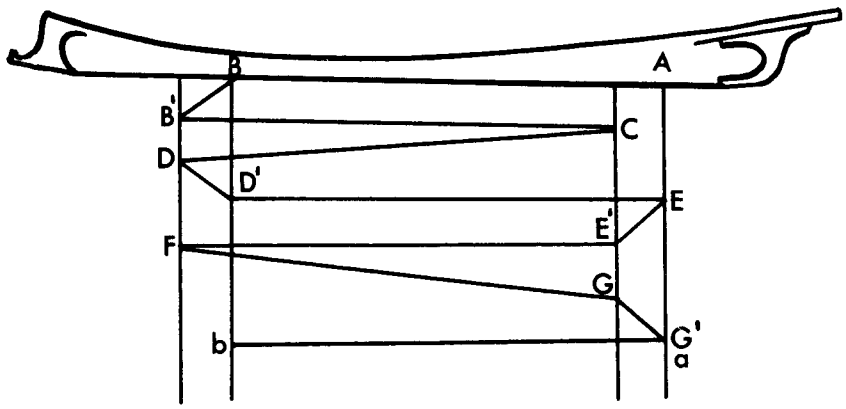
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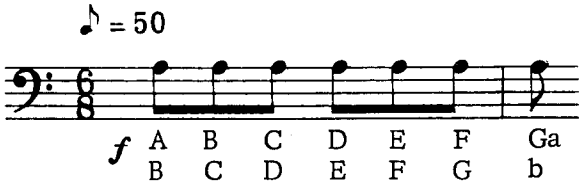
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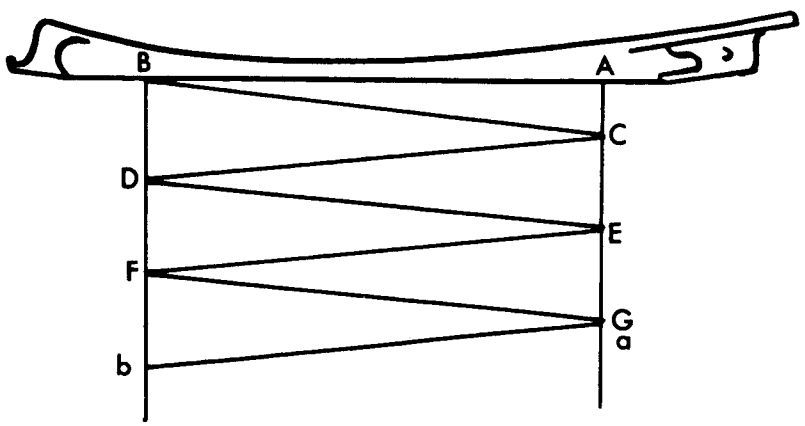
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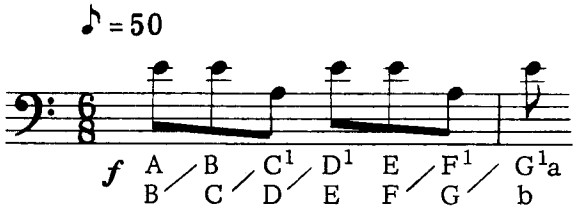
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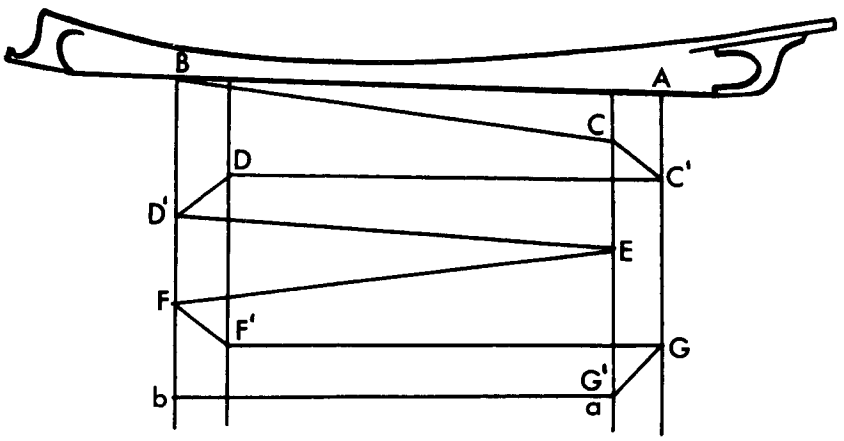
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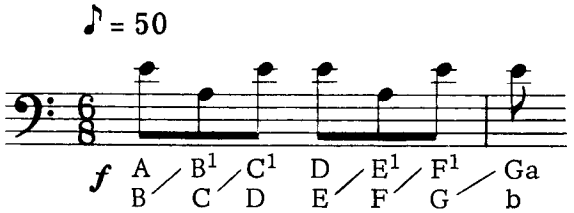
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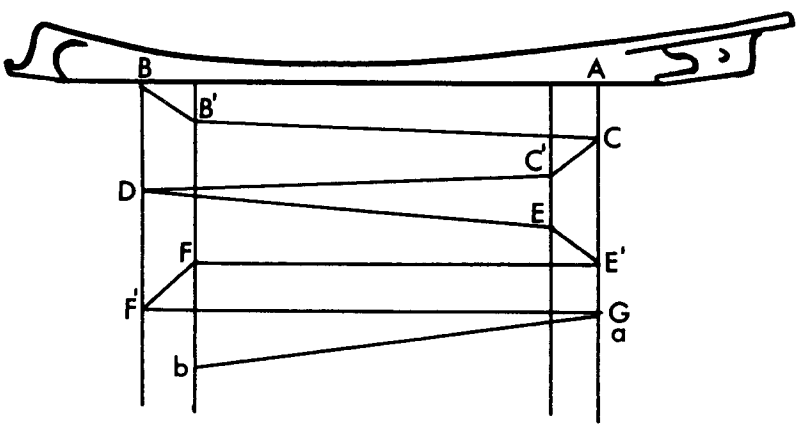
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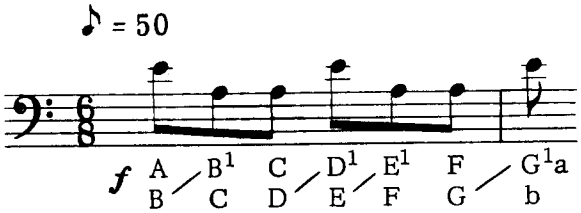
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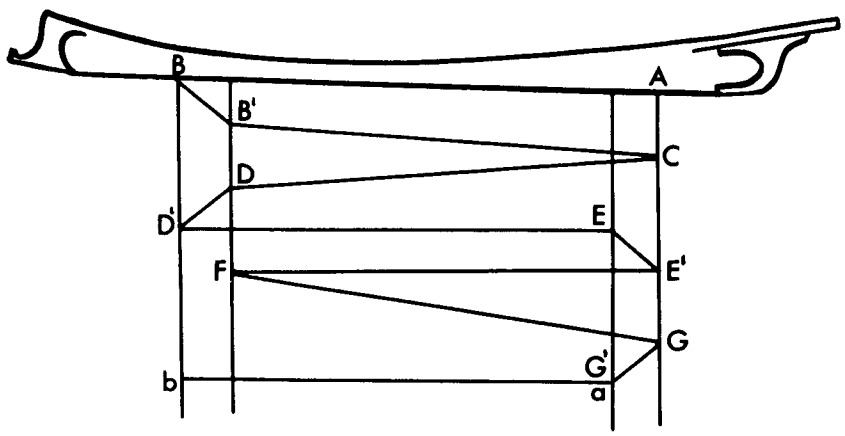
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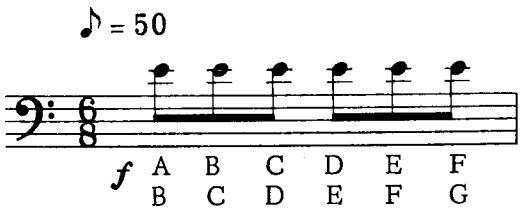
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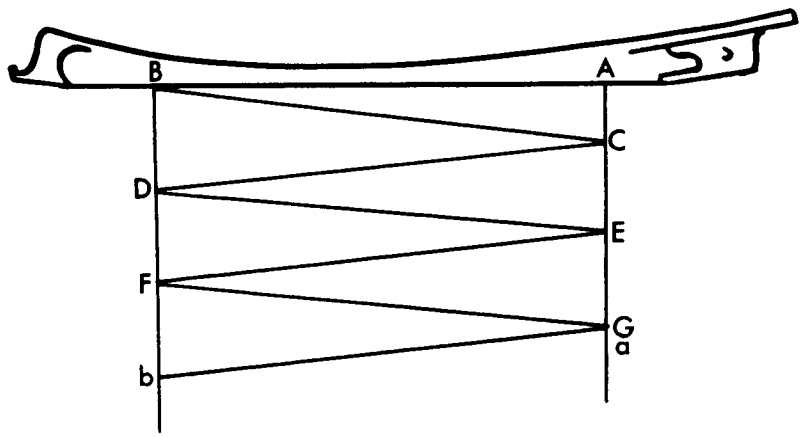
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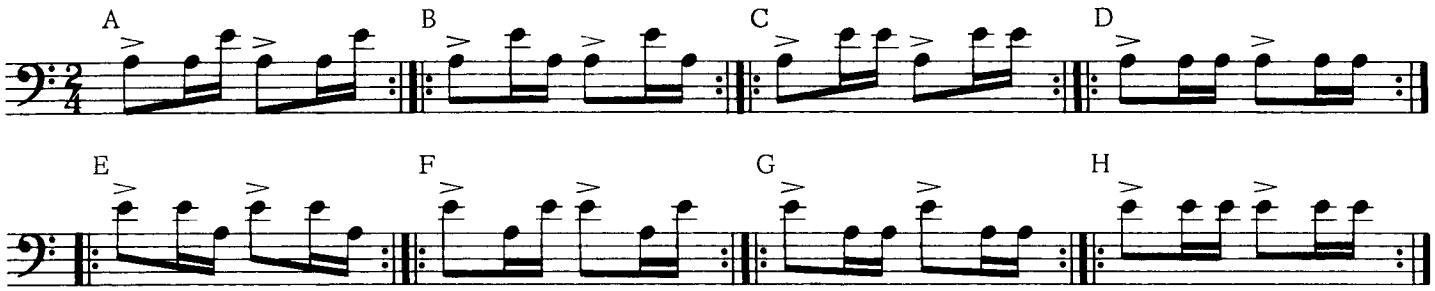
PATTERN I



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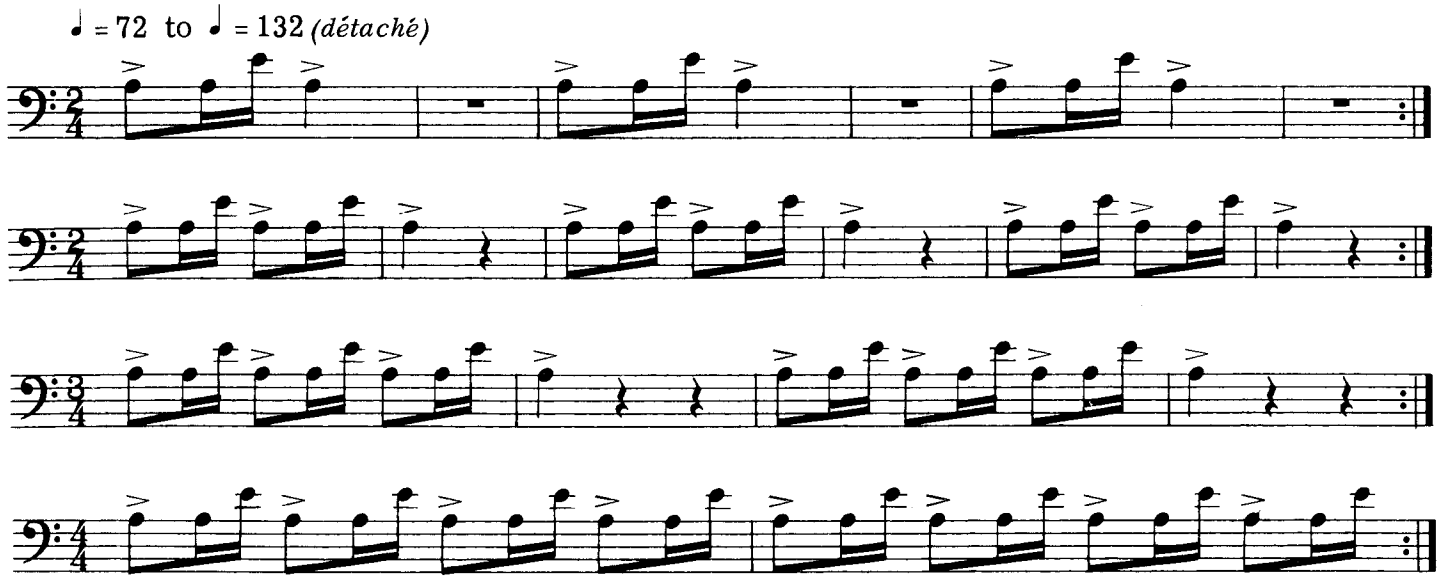
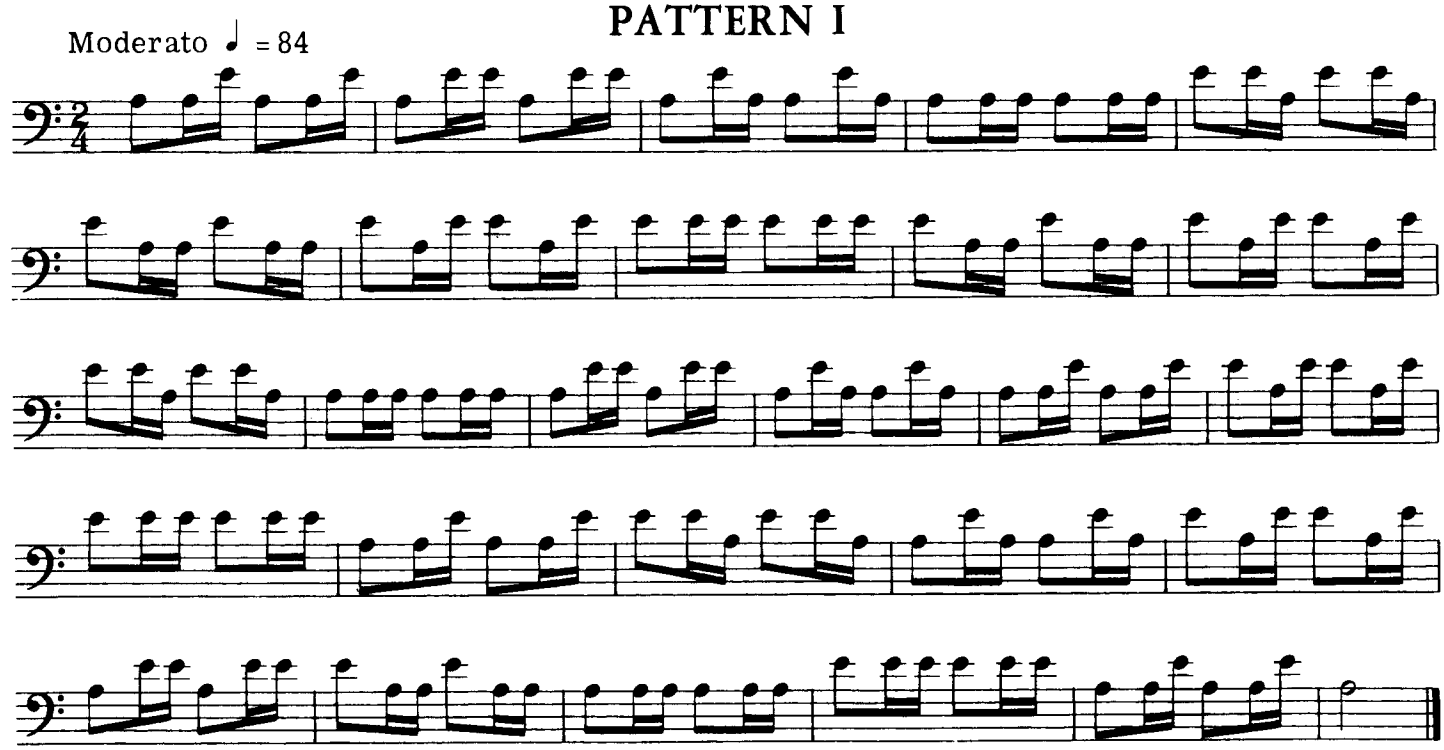


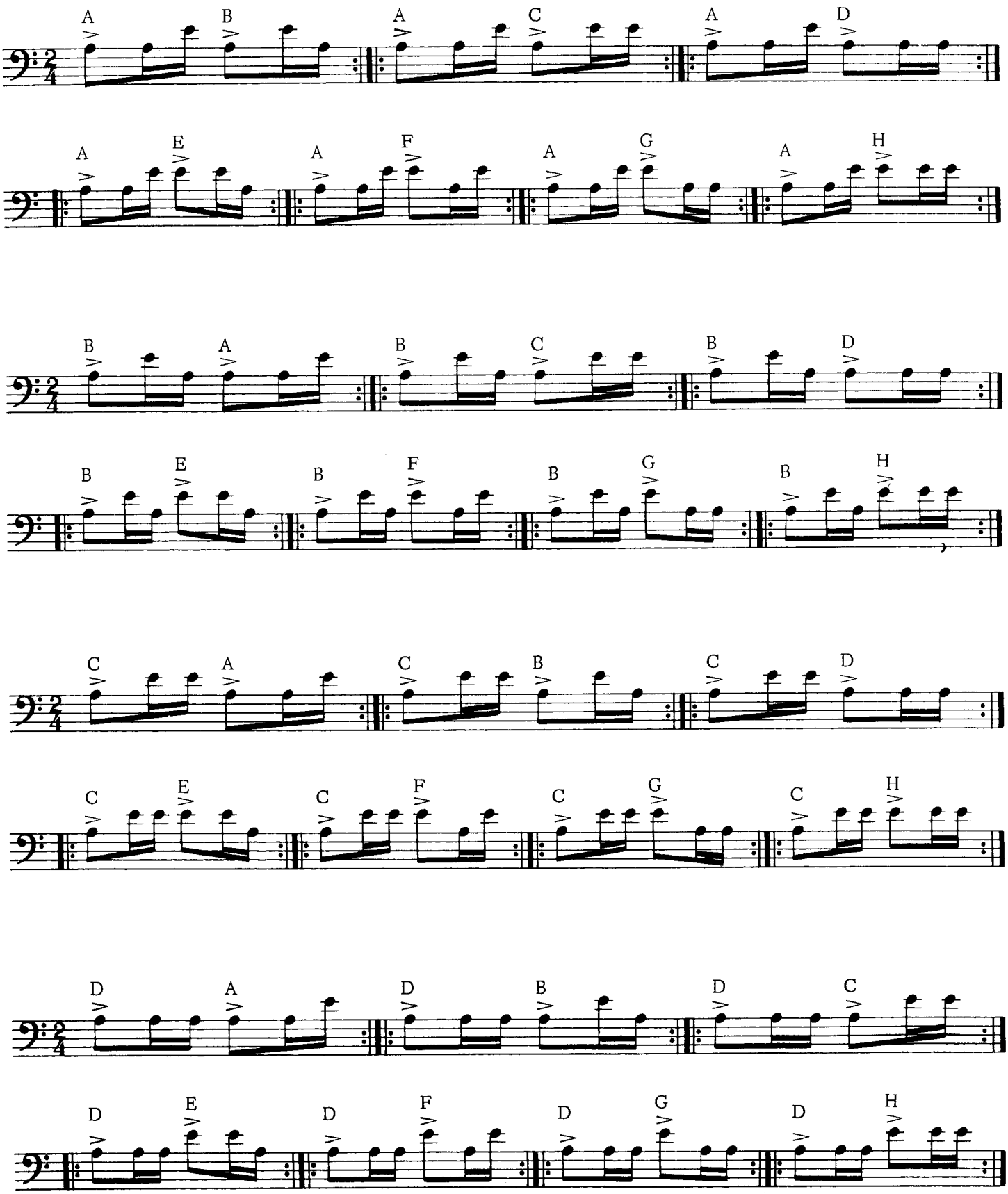
ETUDE

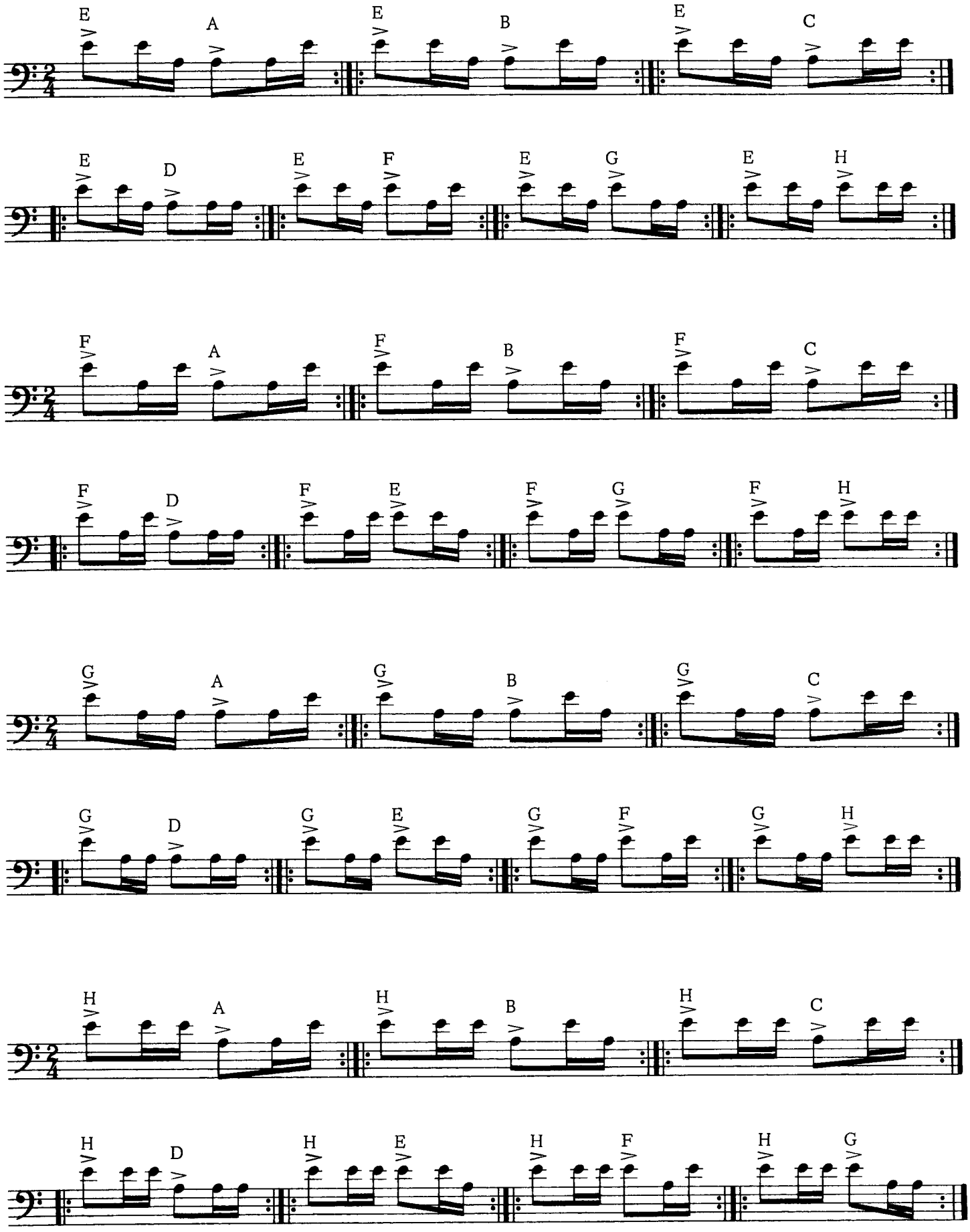
PATTERN I



PERMUTATIONS

PATTERN I

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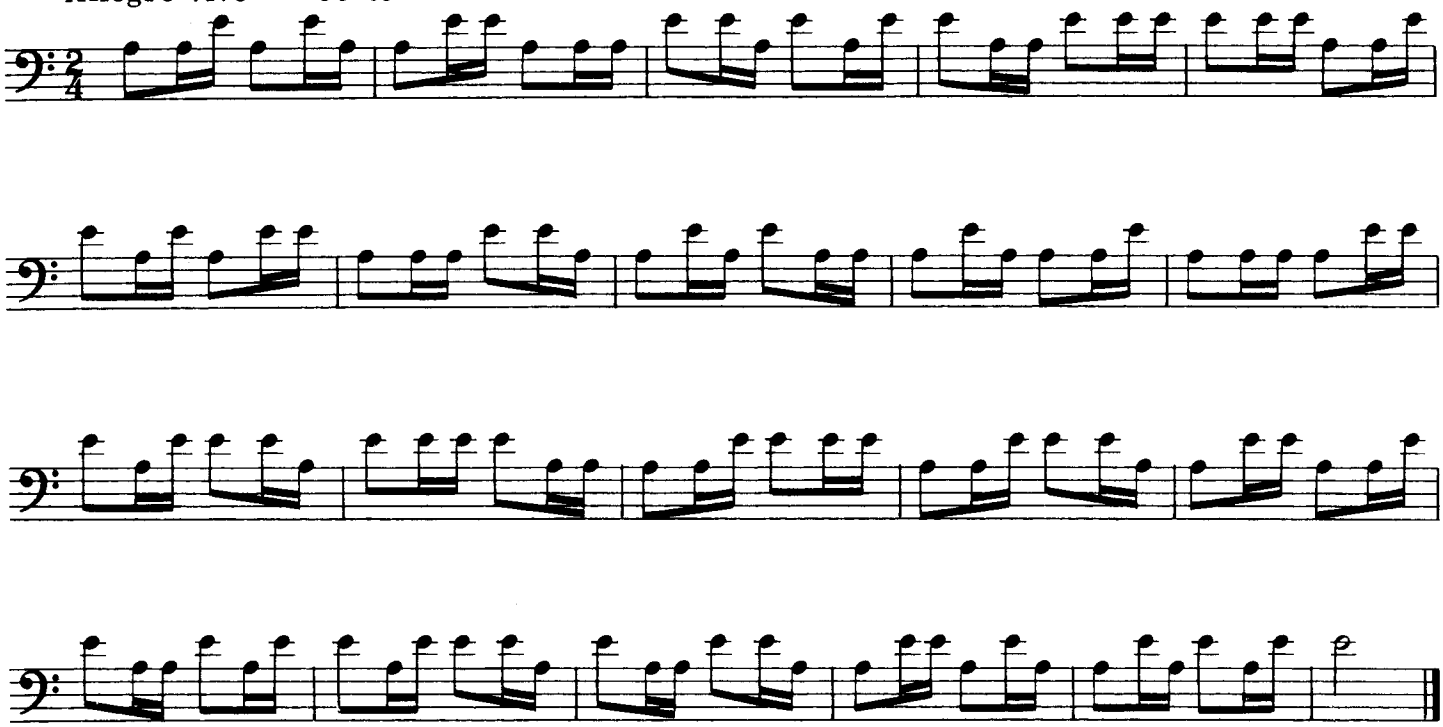
ETUDES

PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN I

Allegro vivo ♩ = 96 to ♩ = 120



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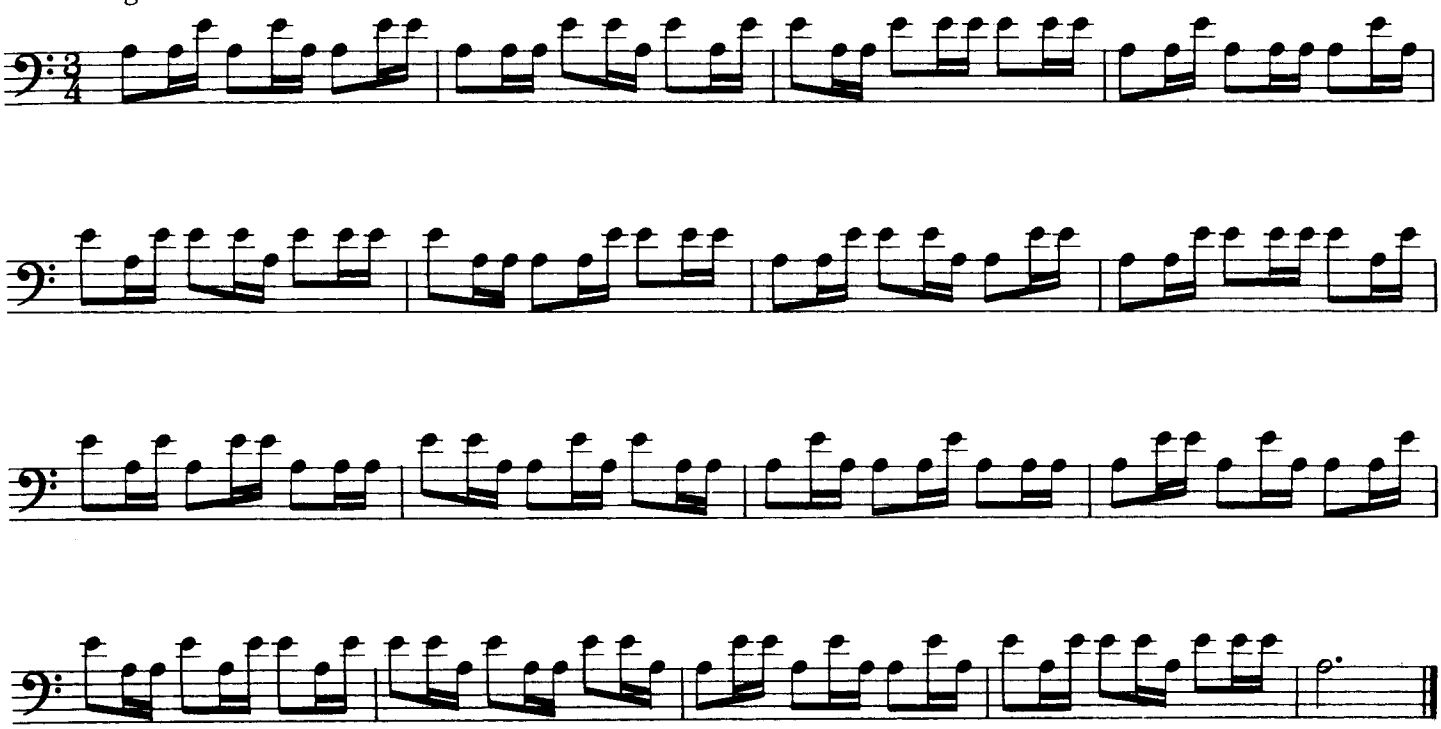
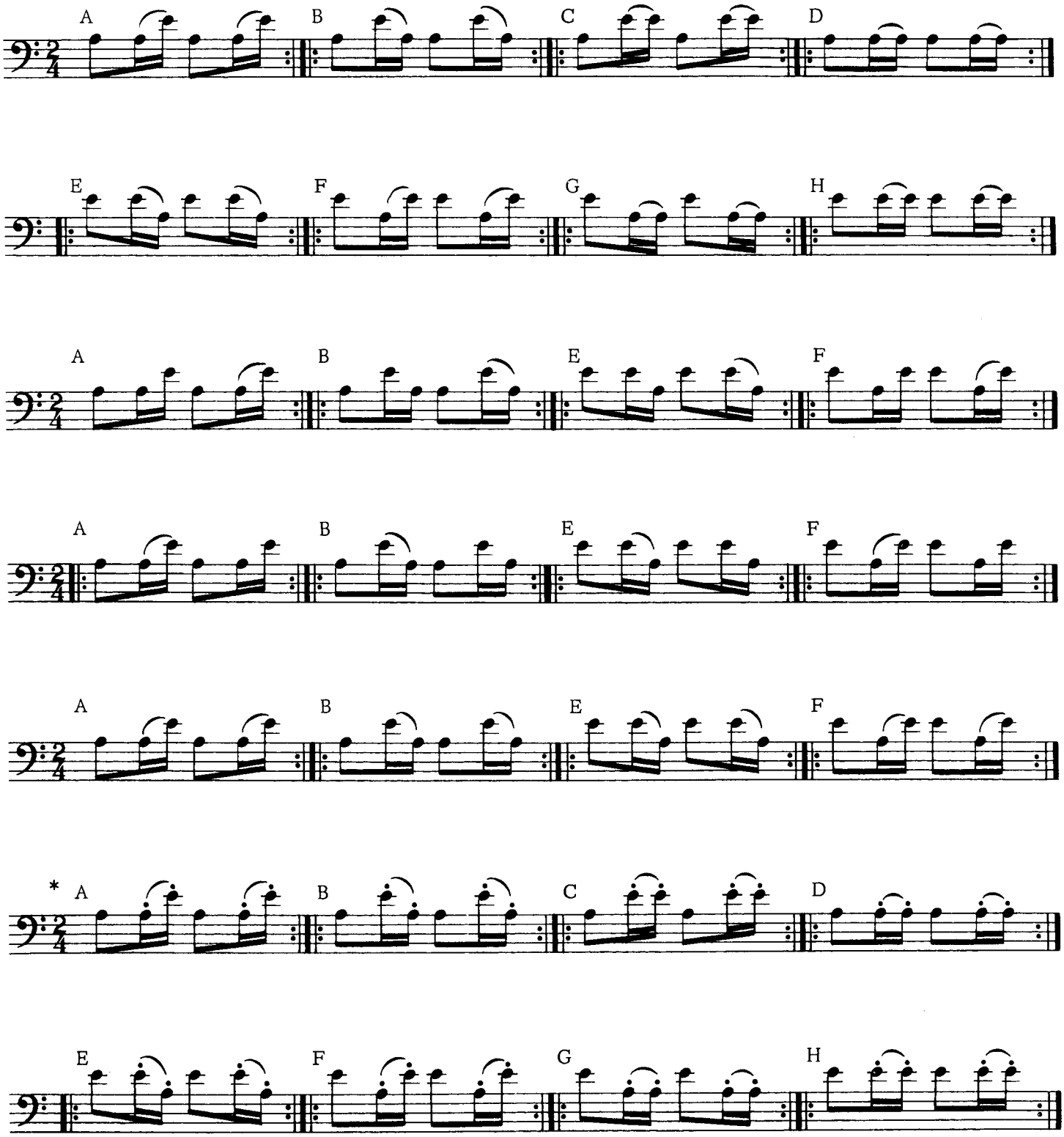


BOWINGS

PATTERN I

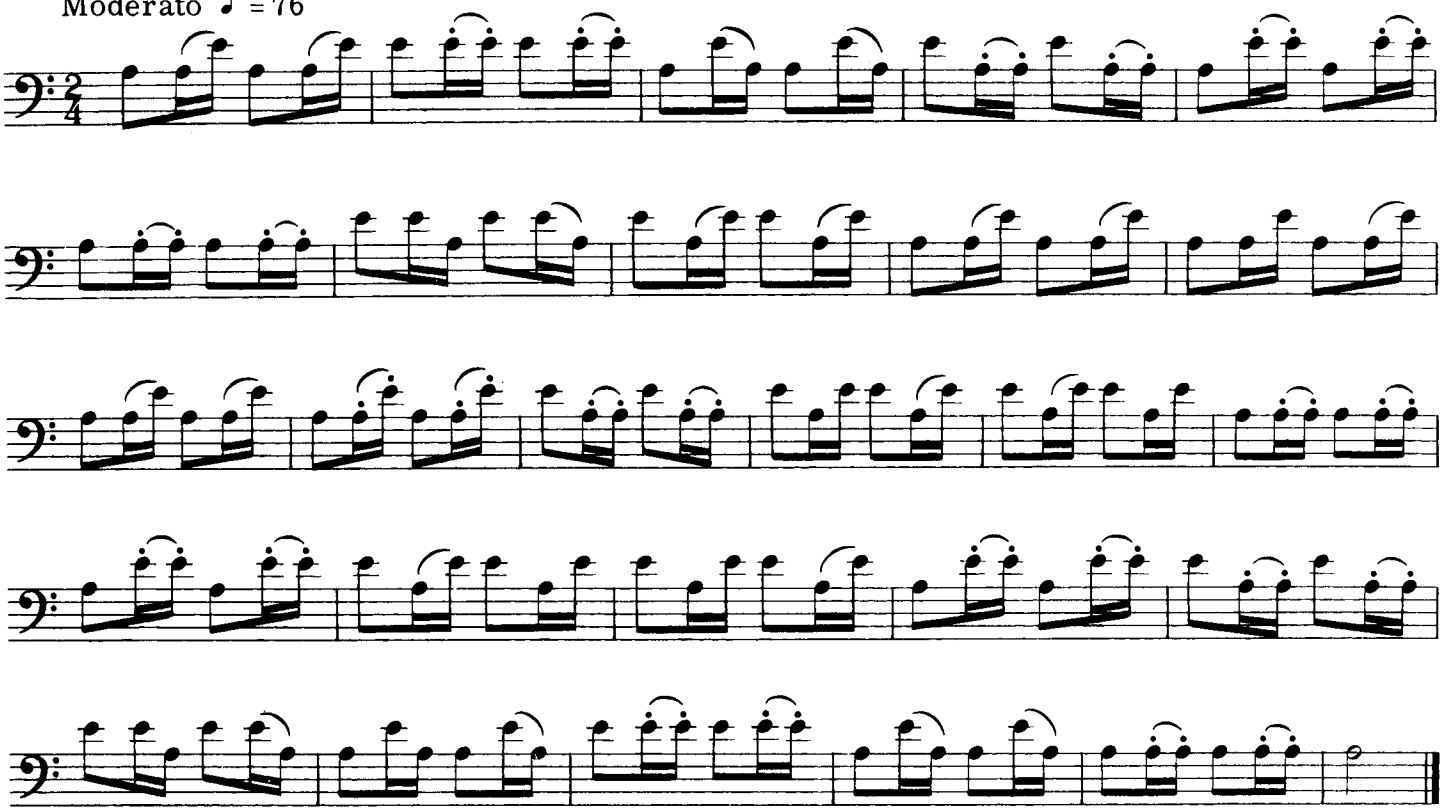


*The dotted notes are to be played alternately on the string *(Staccato)* and off the string *(Flying Spiccato)*.

ETUDE

BOWINGS (PATTERN I)

Moderato ♩ = 76



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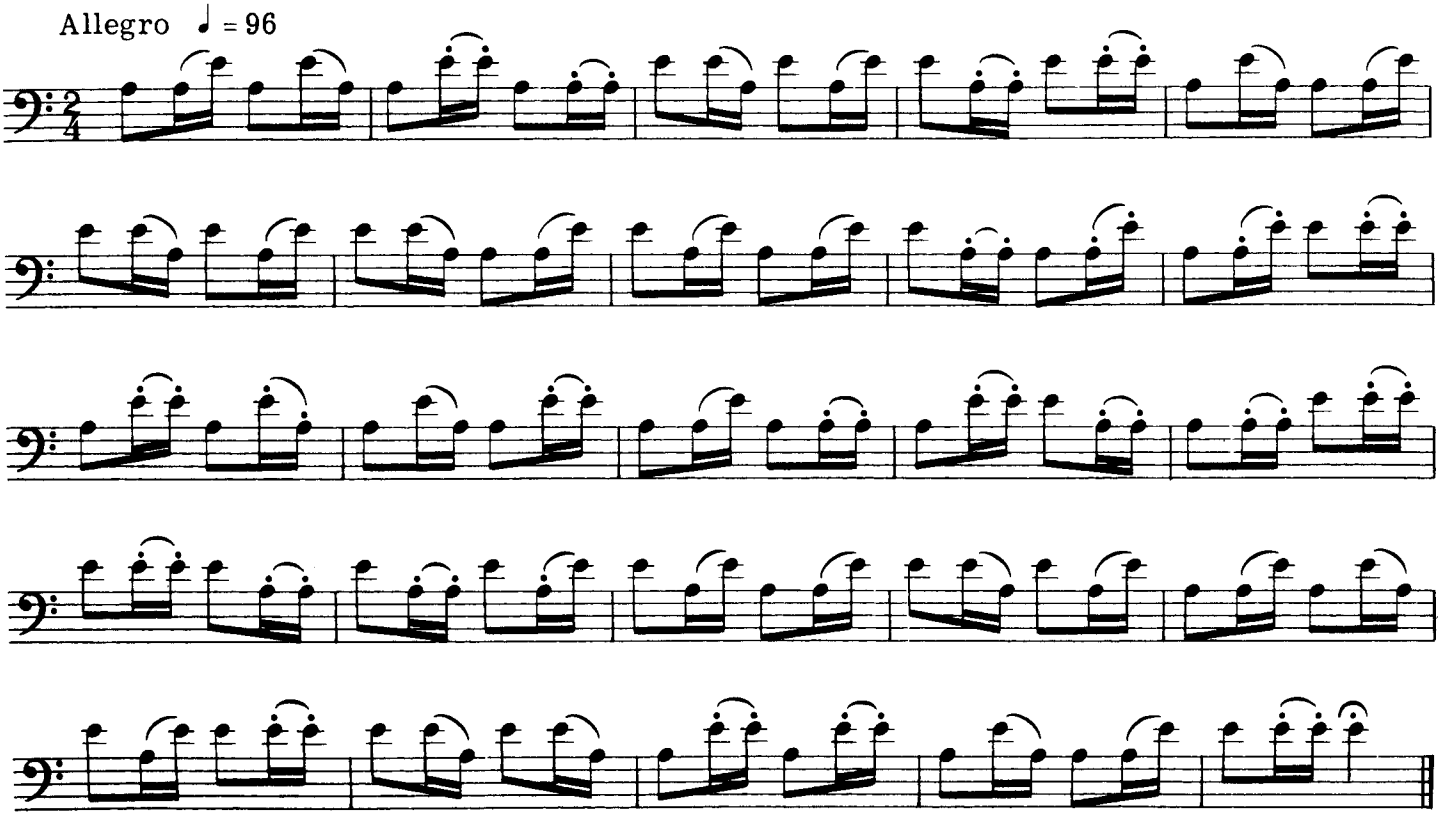

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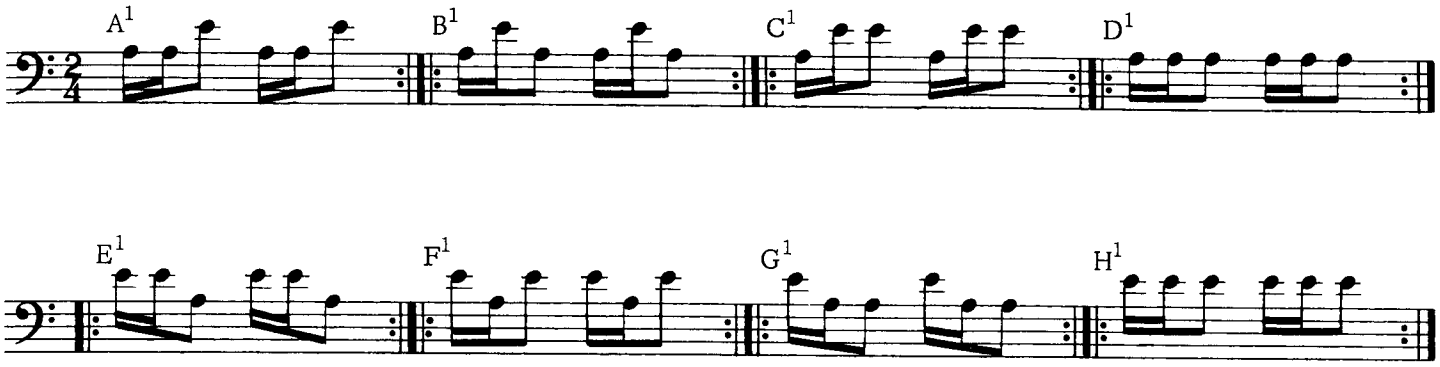

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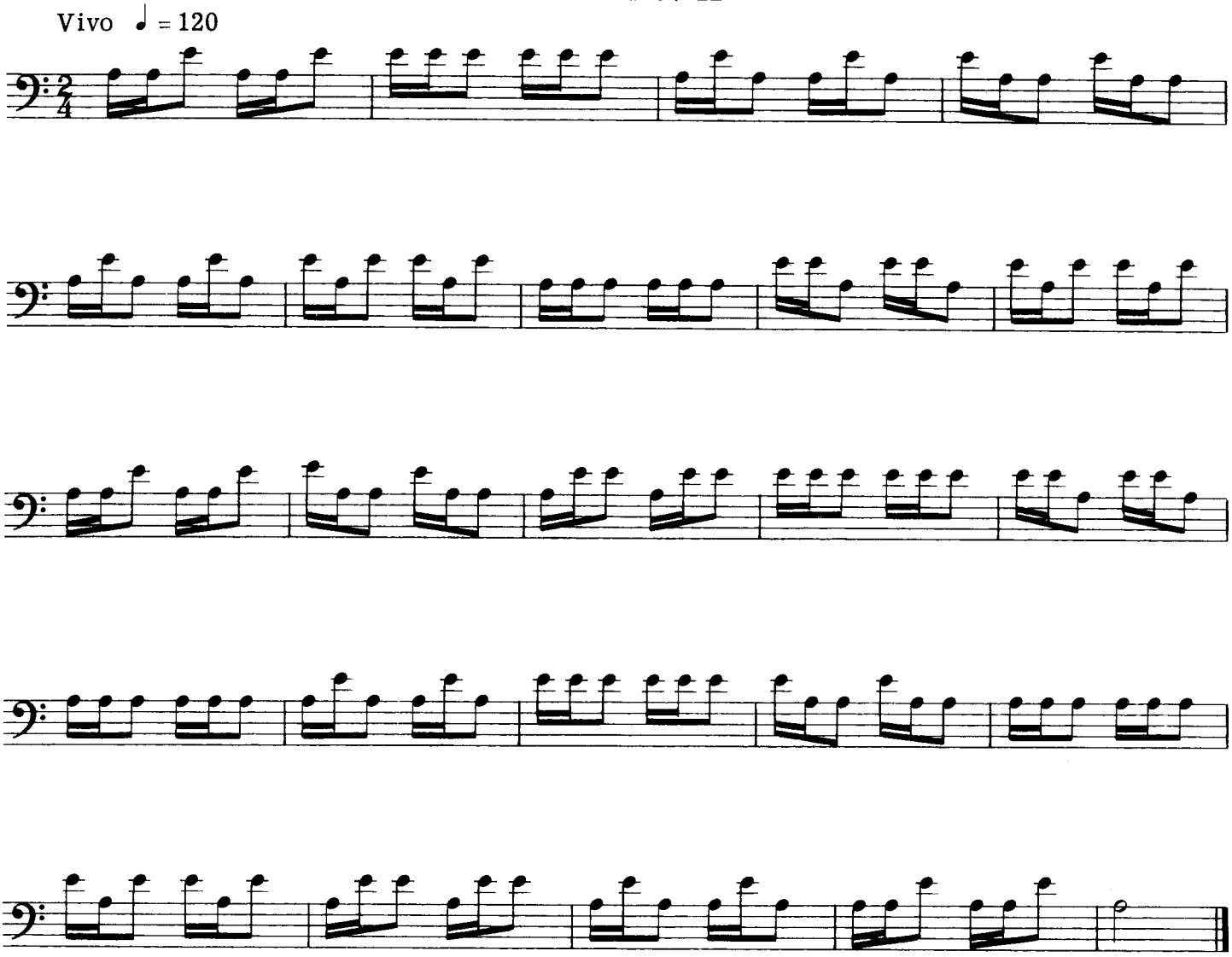

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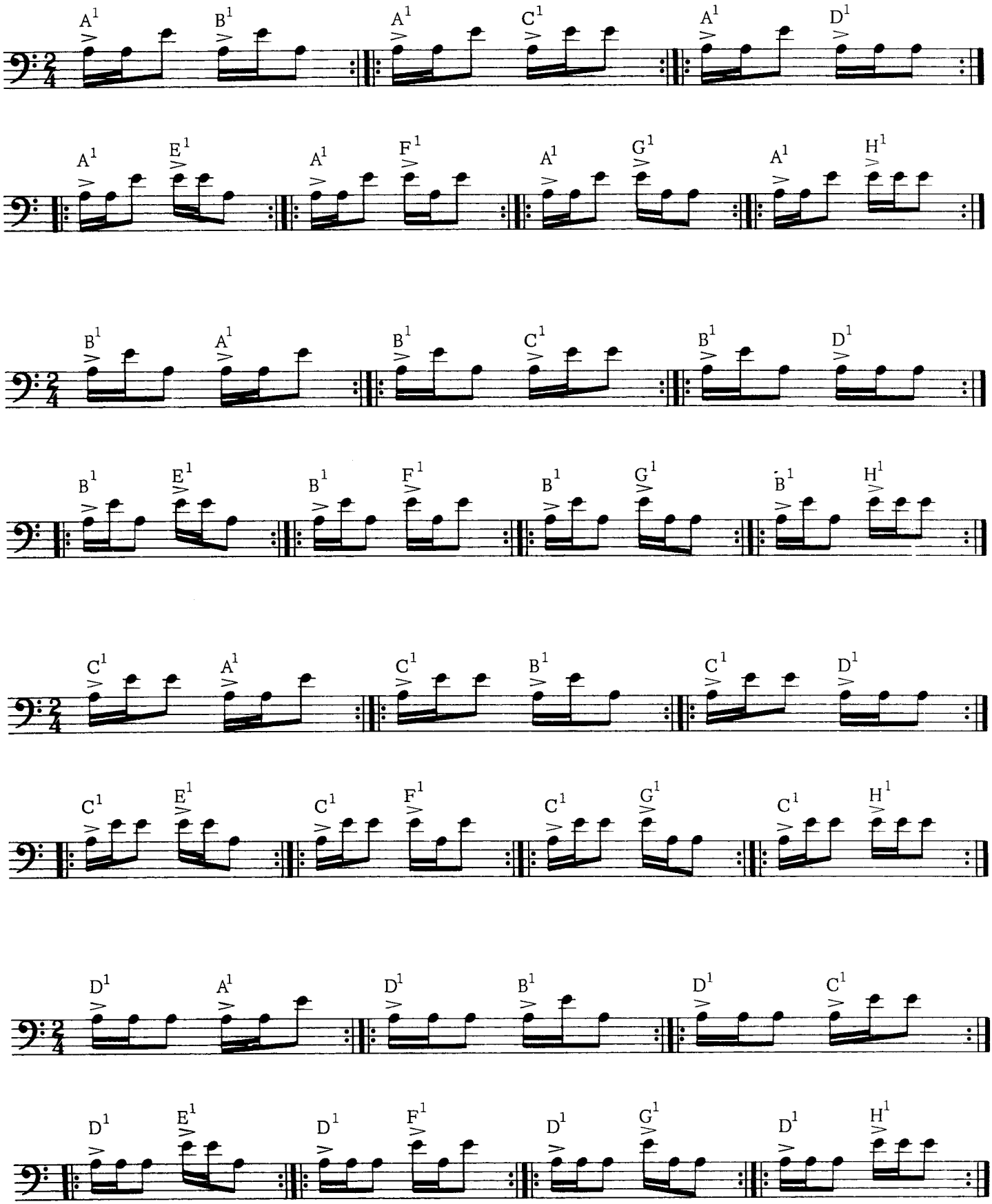

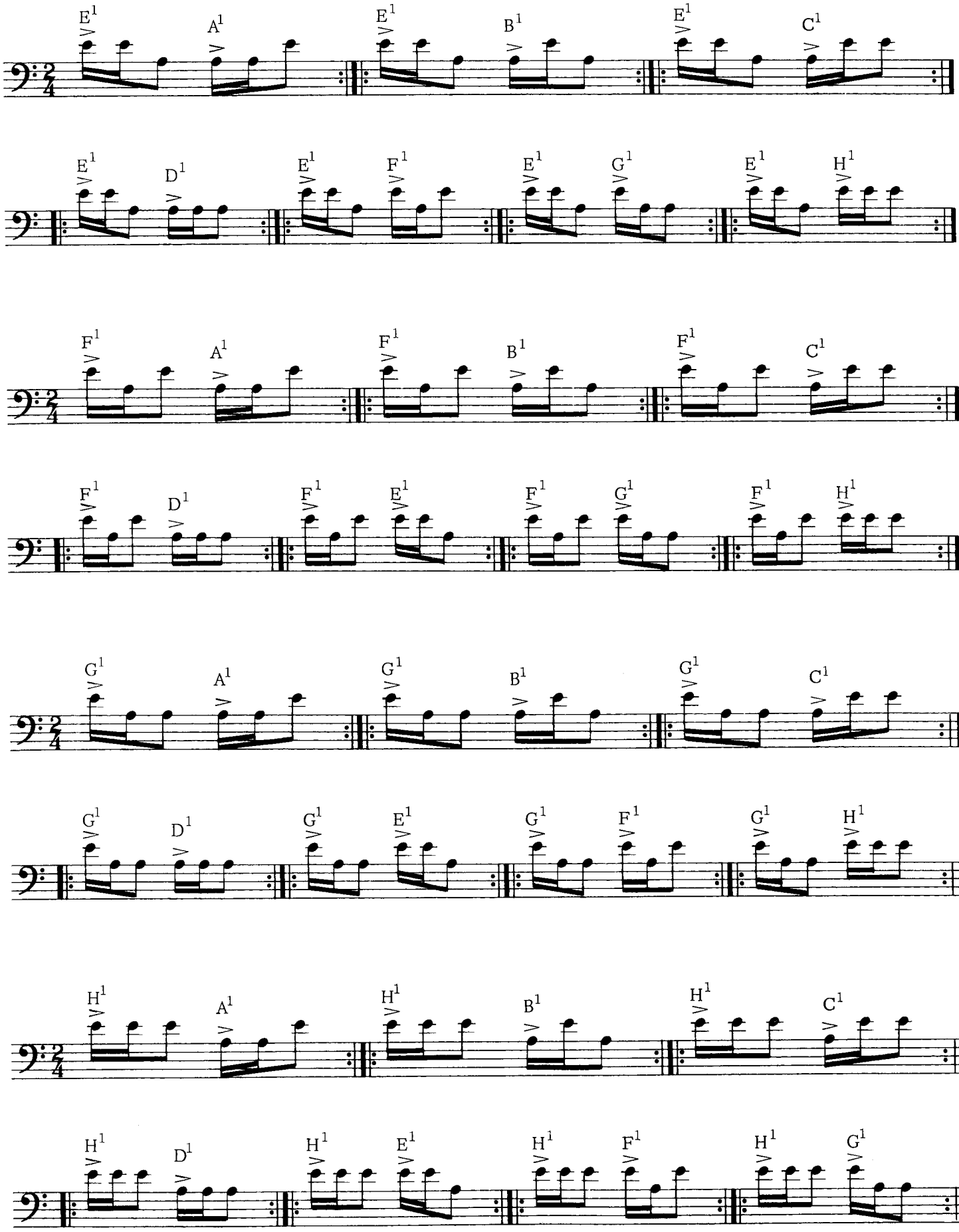
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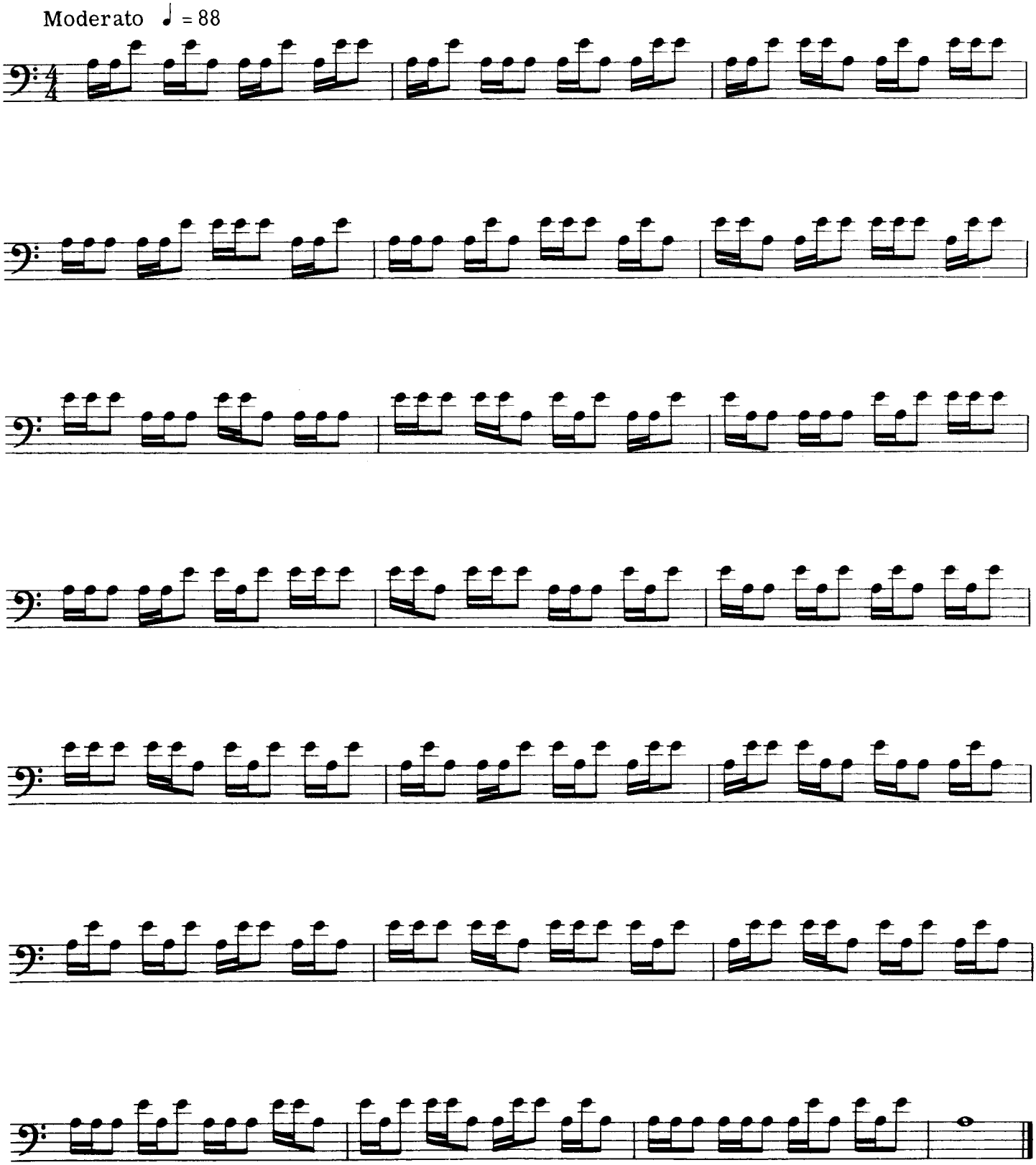

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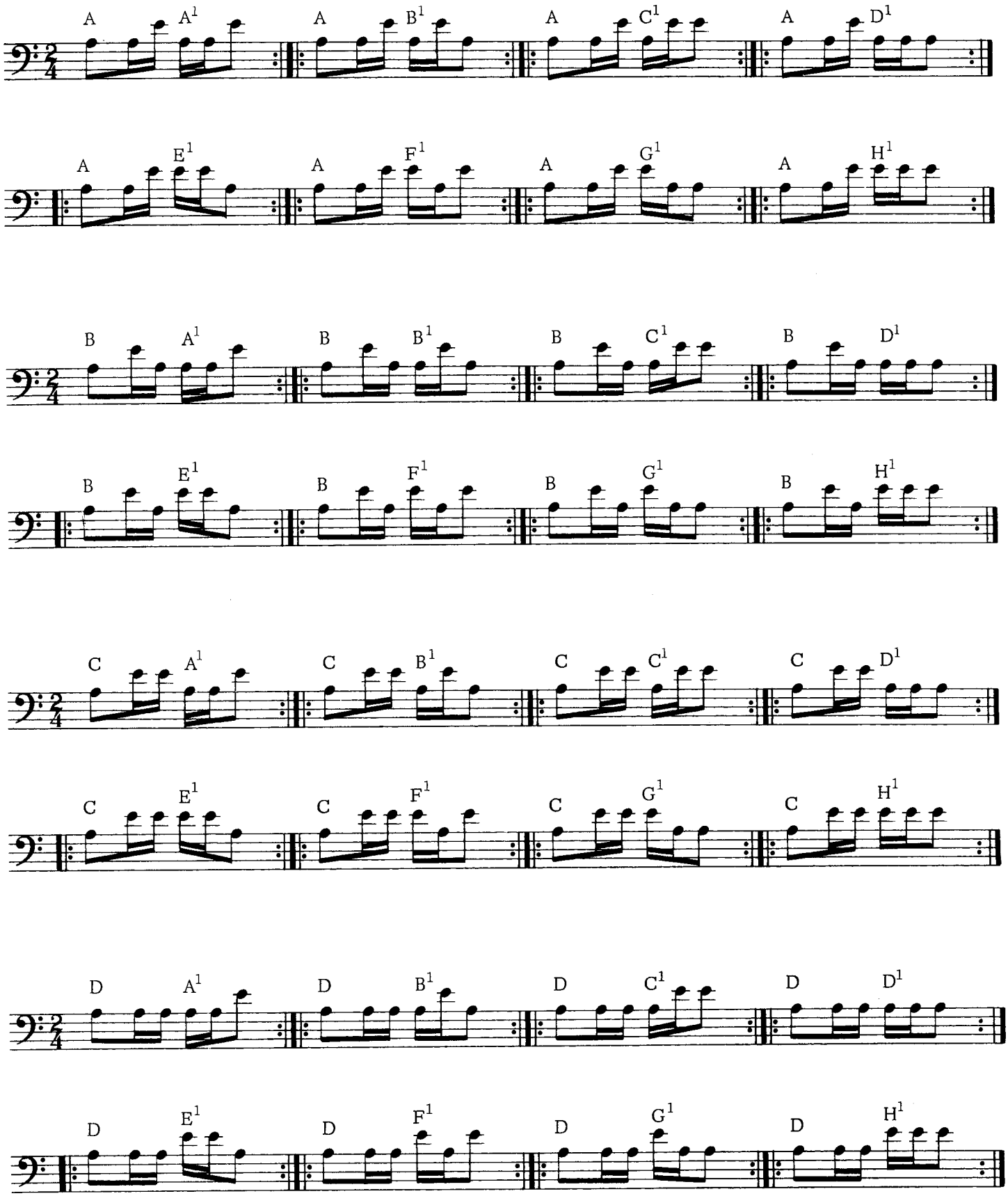

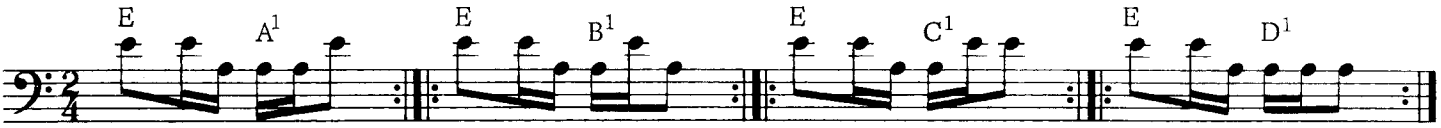
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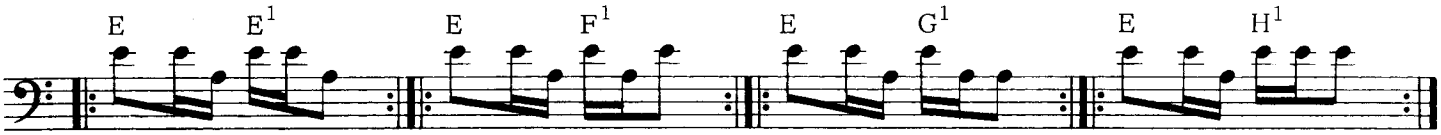
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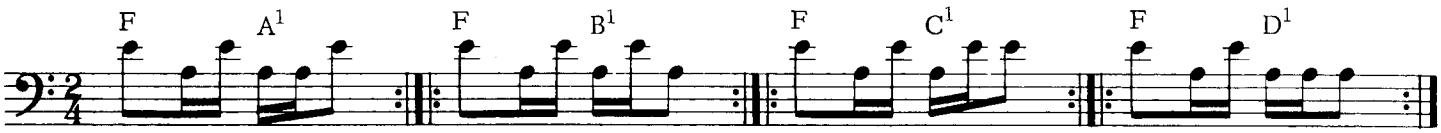
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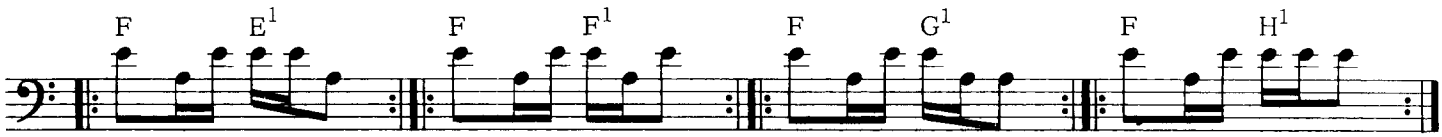
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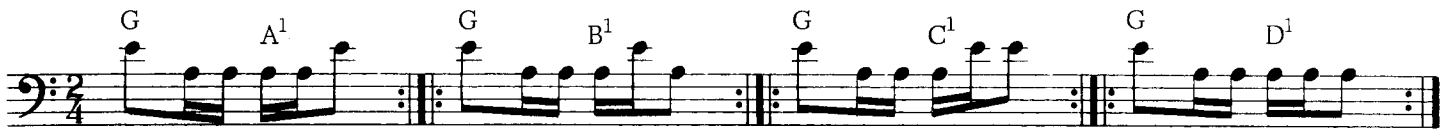
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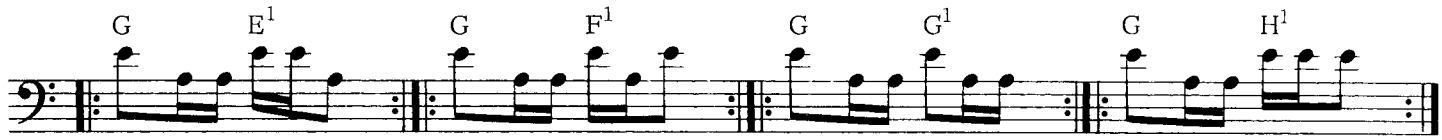
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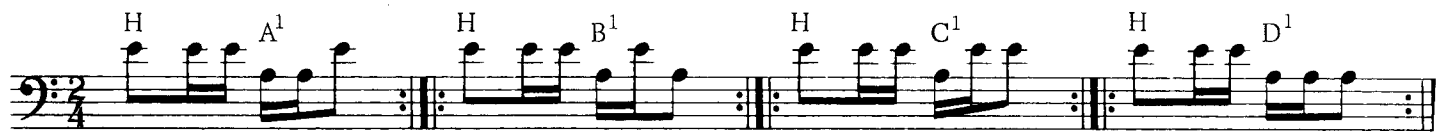
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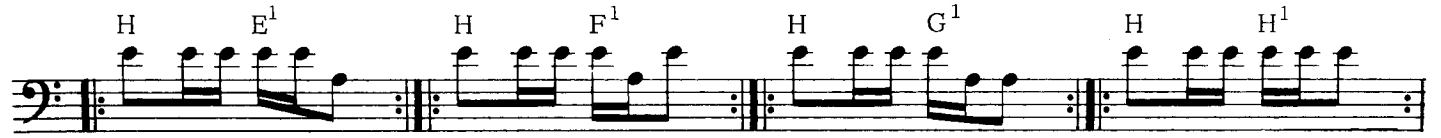
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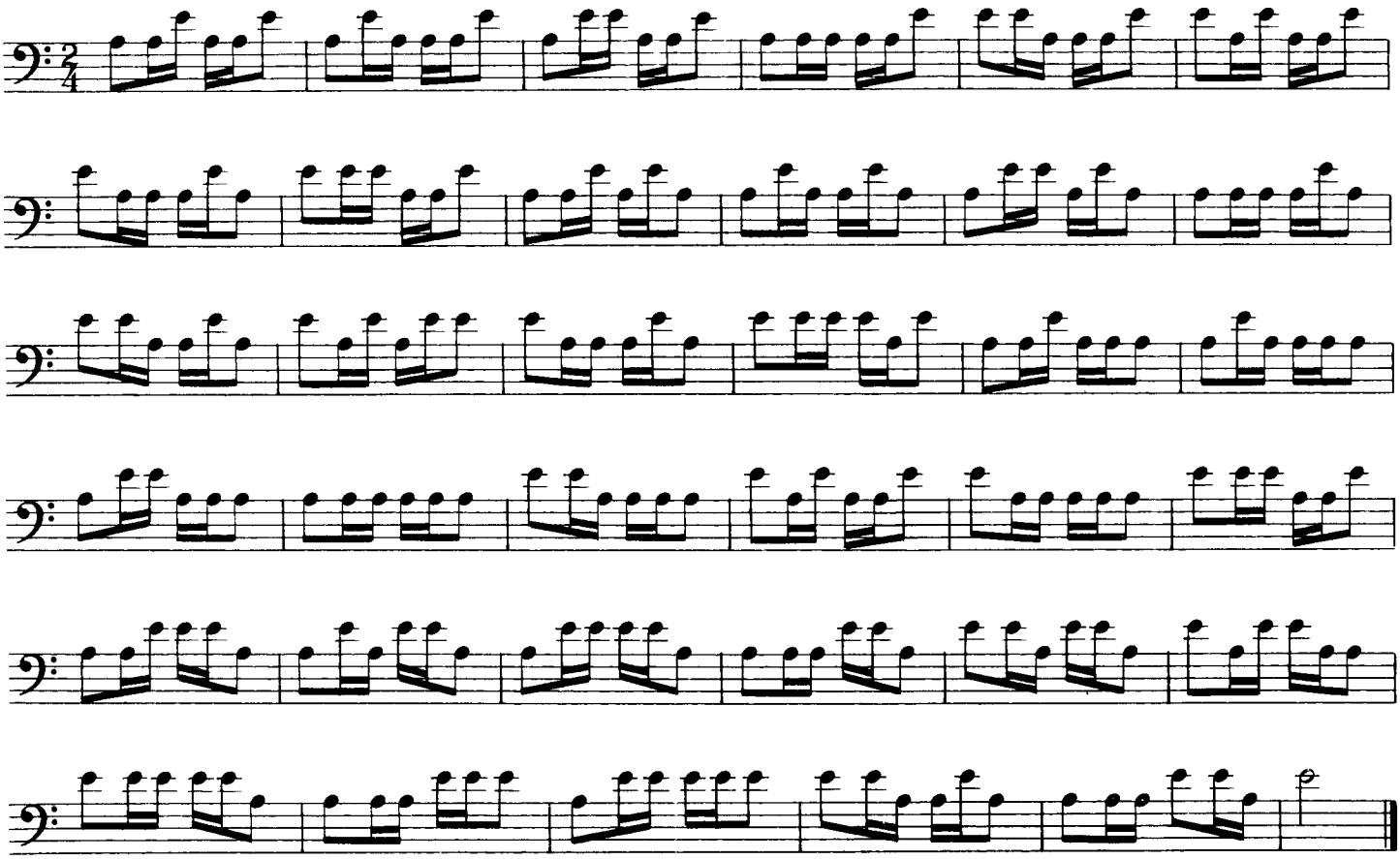

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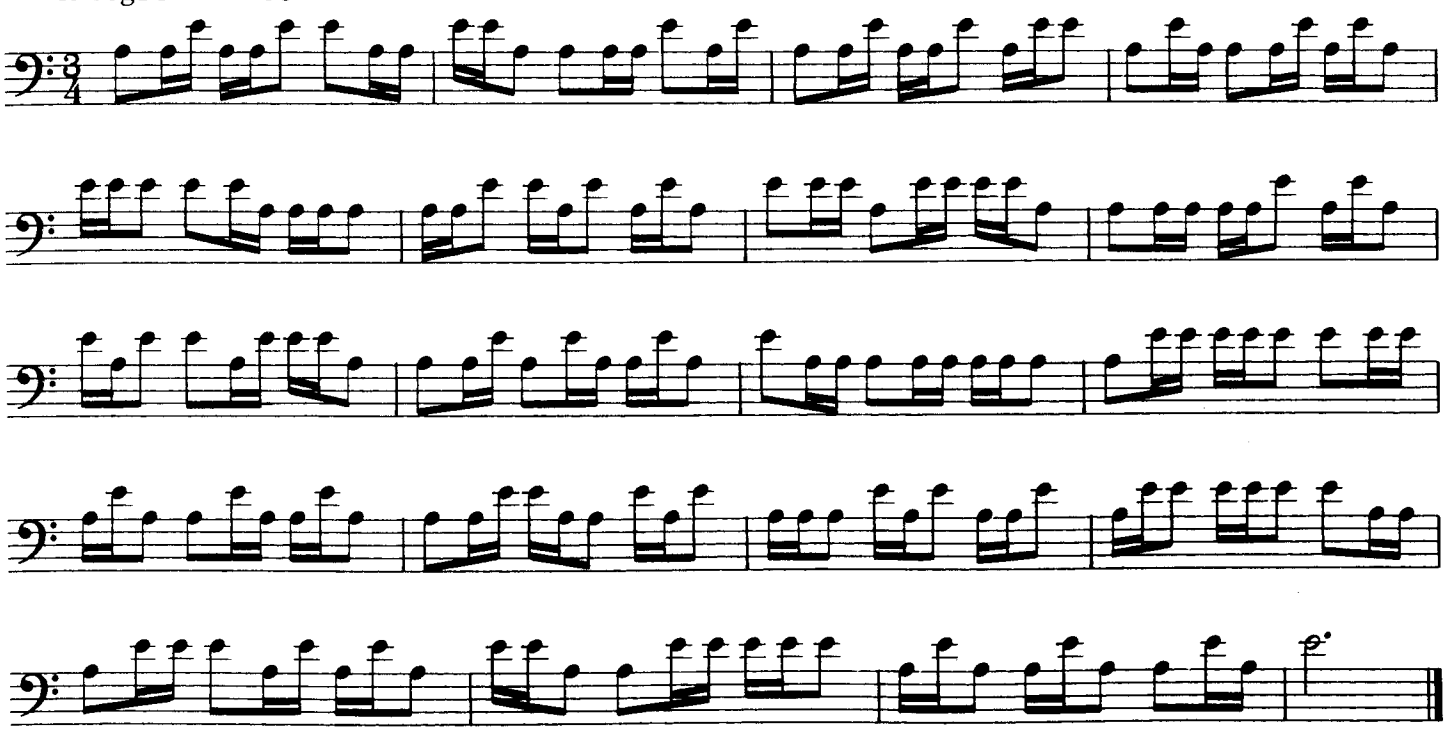

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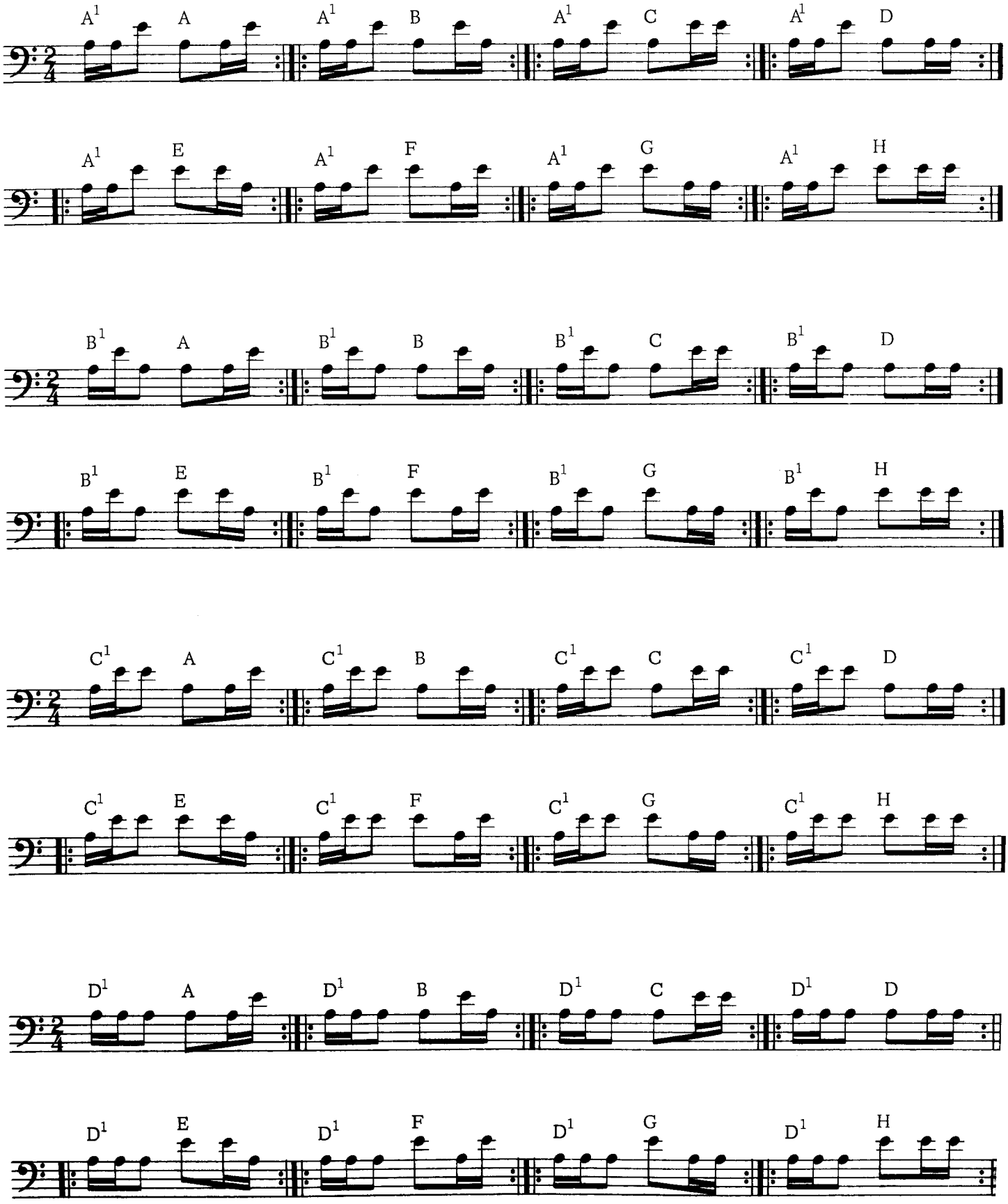

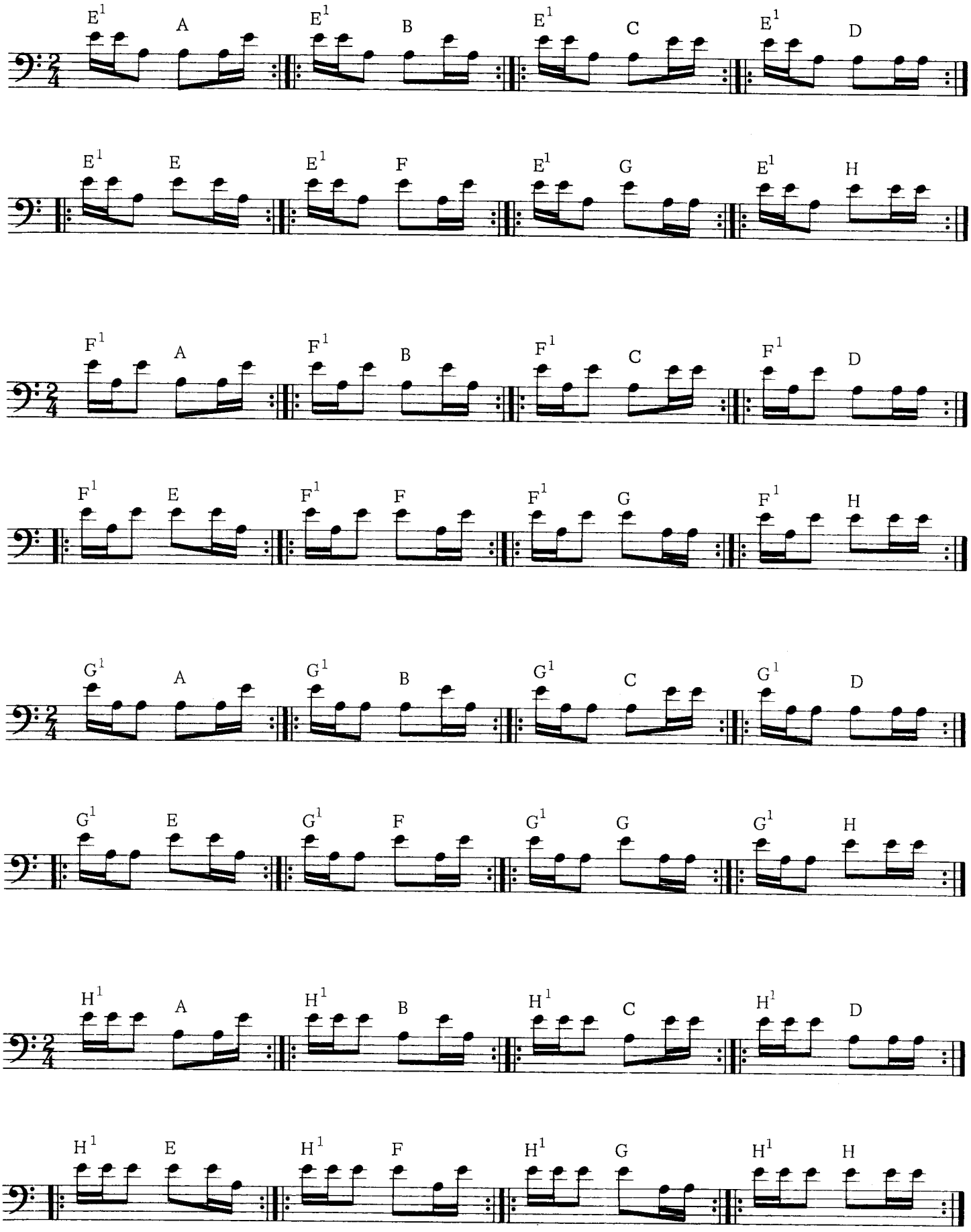
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PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERNS II & I

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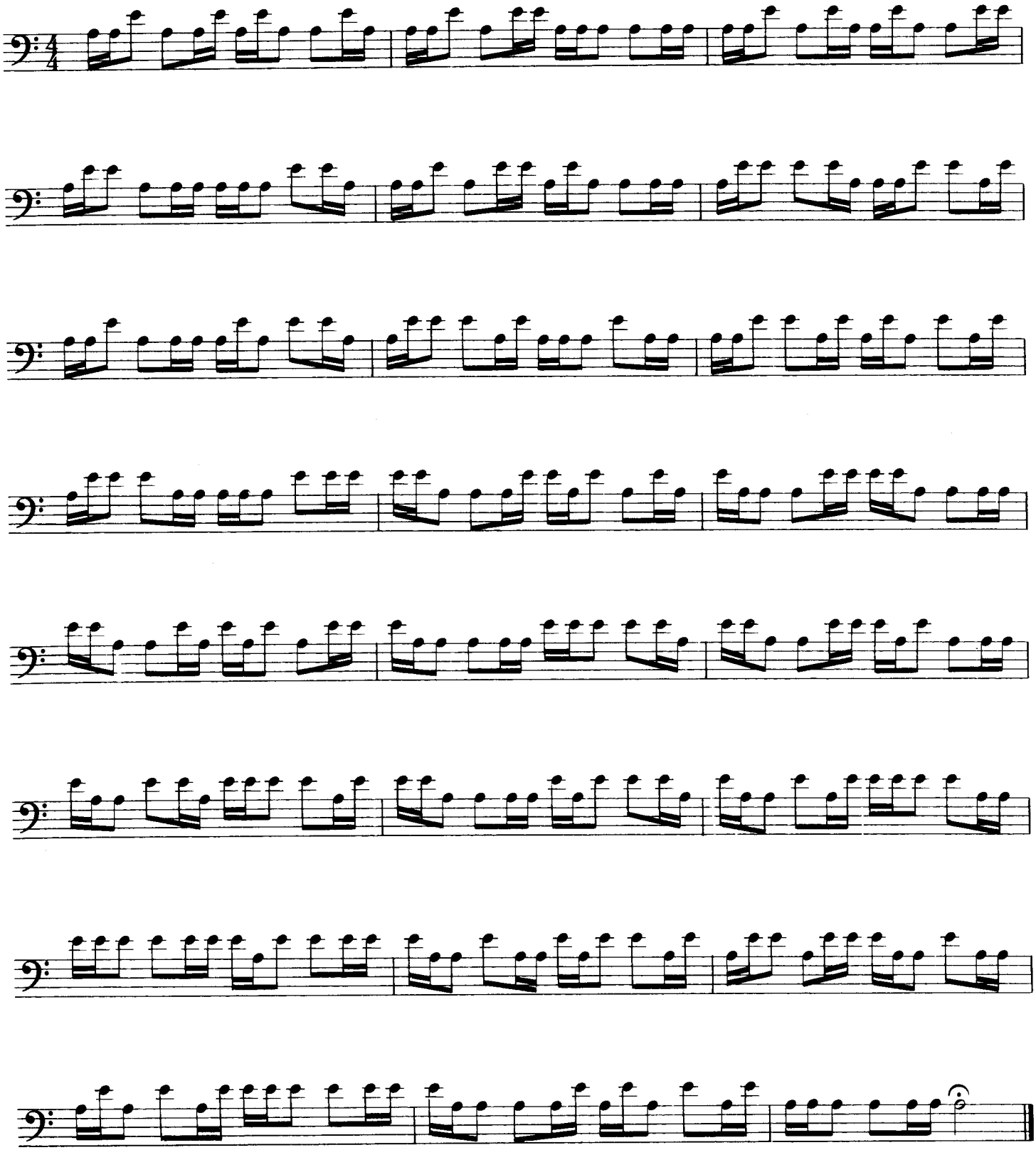

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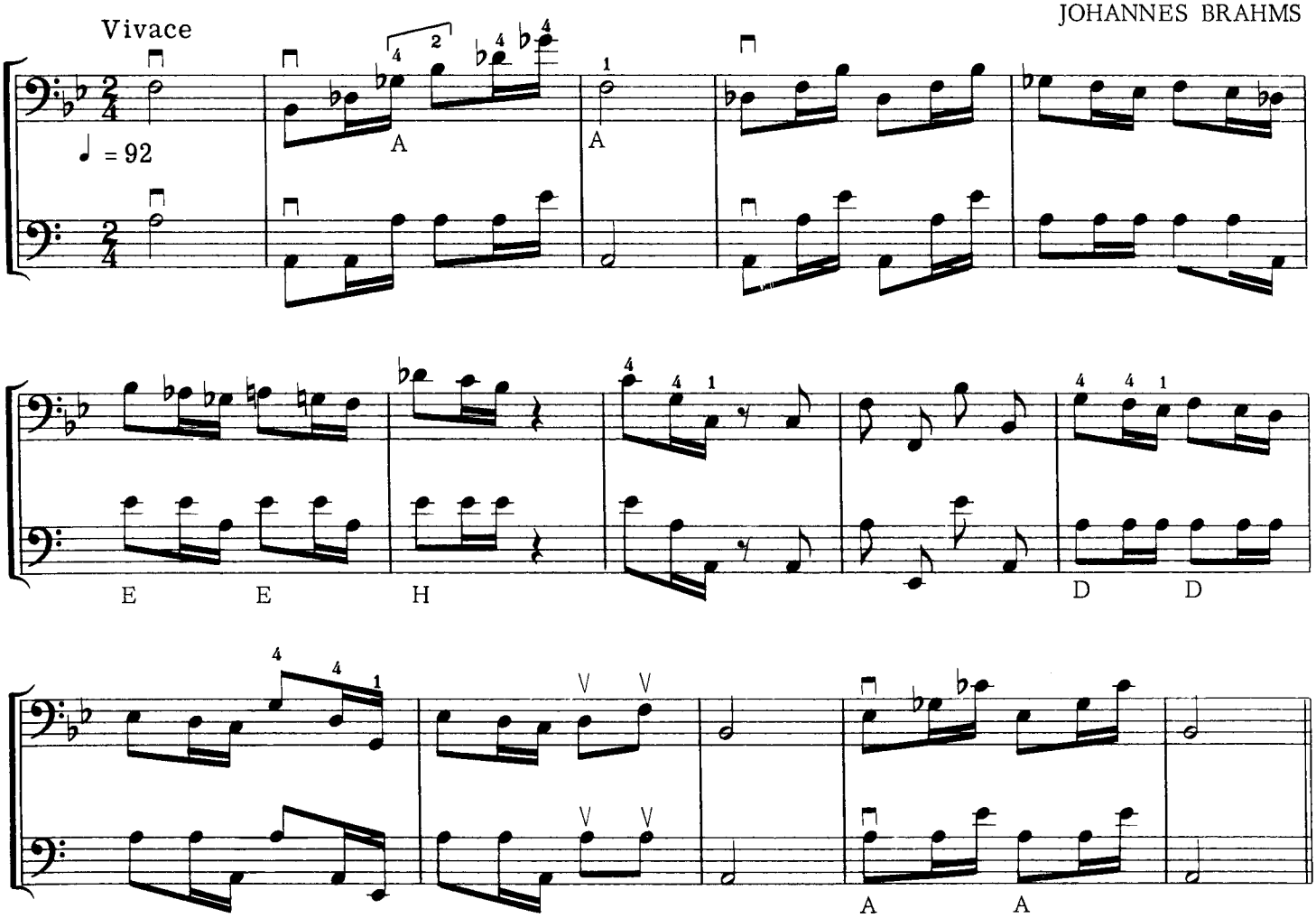

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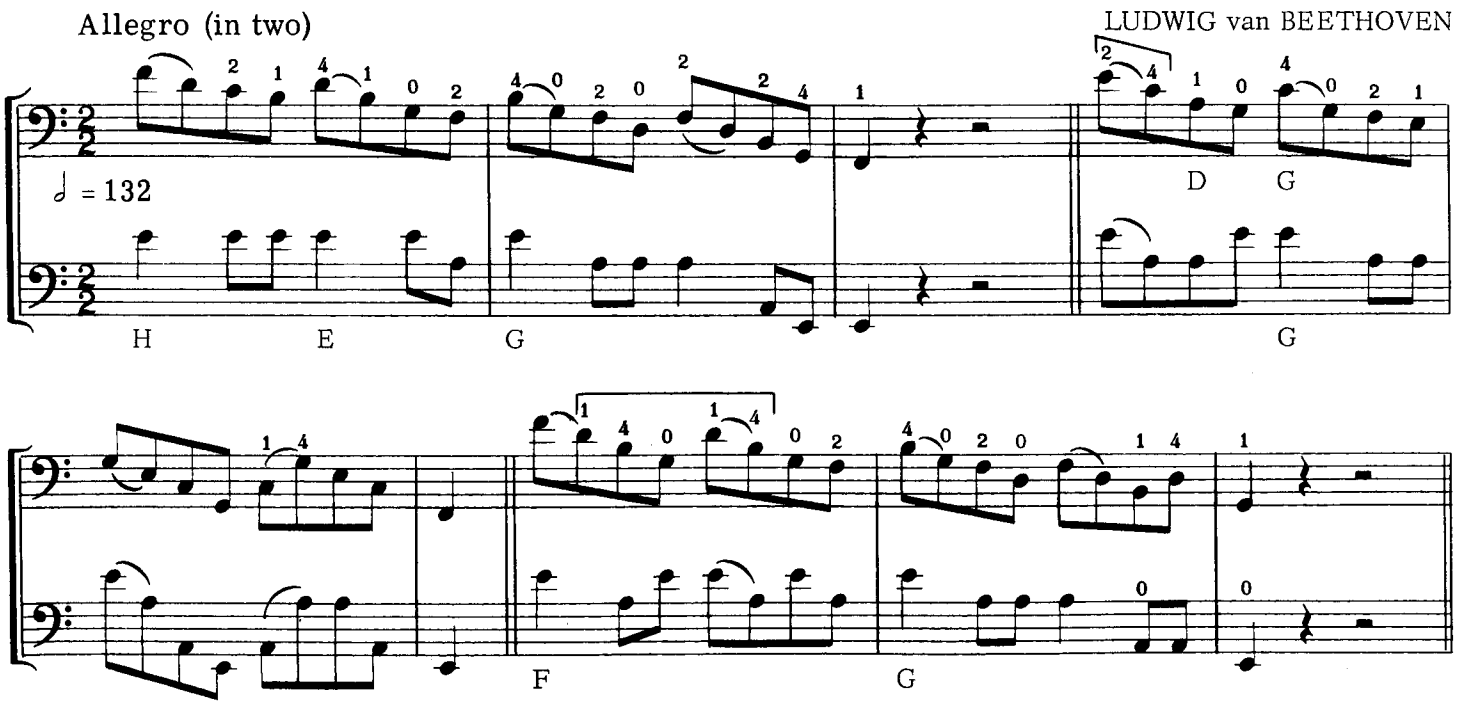

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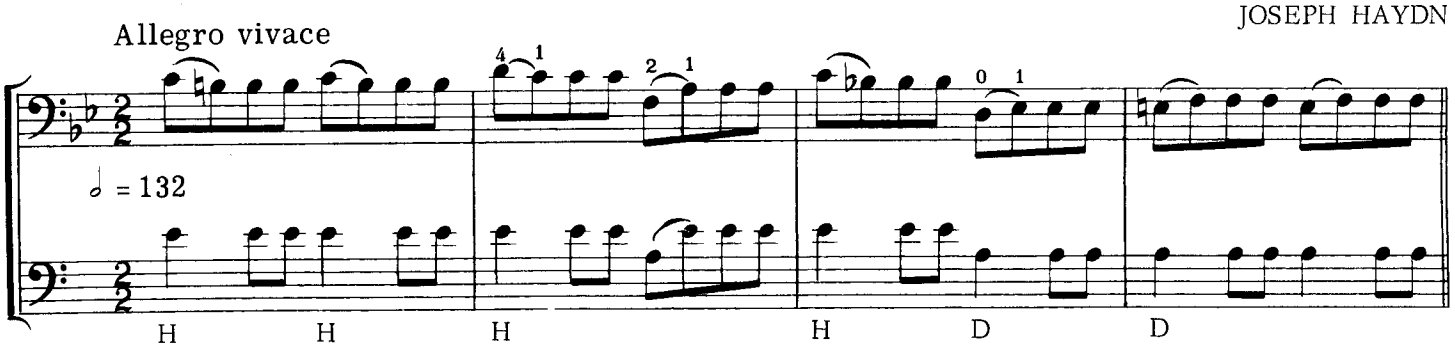

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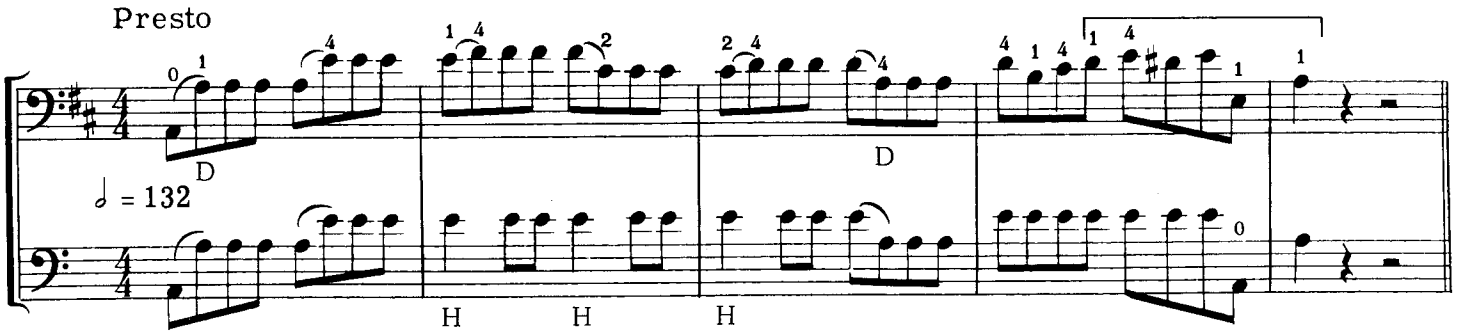

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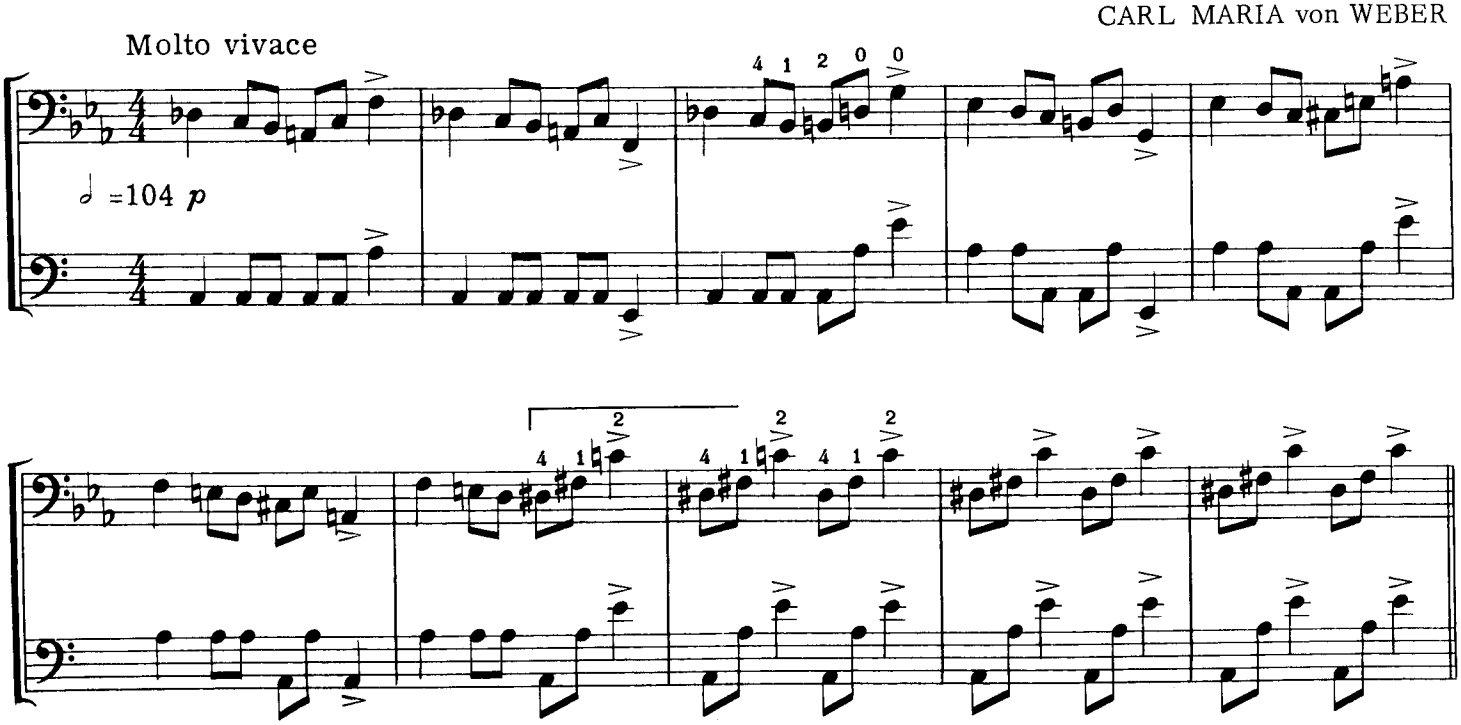

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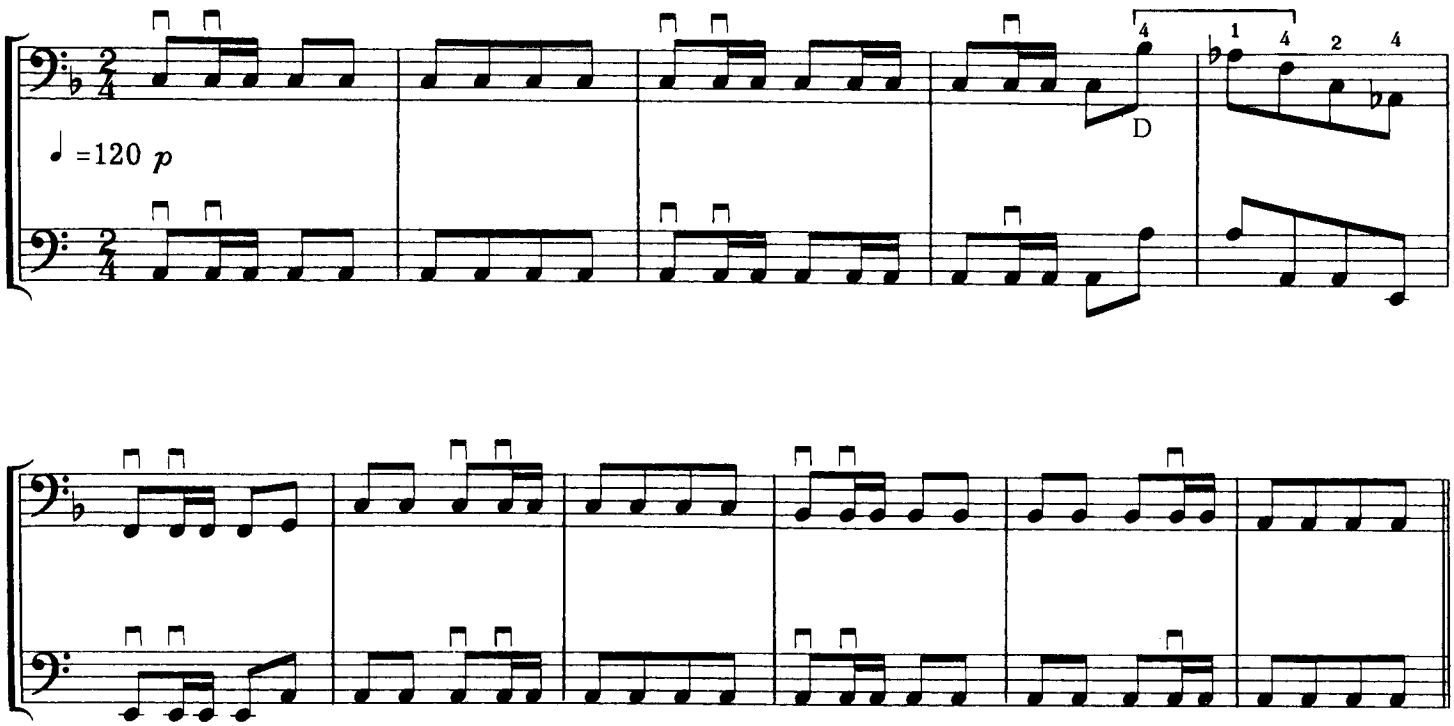

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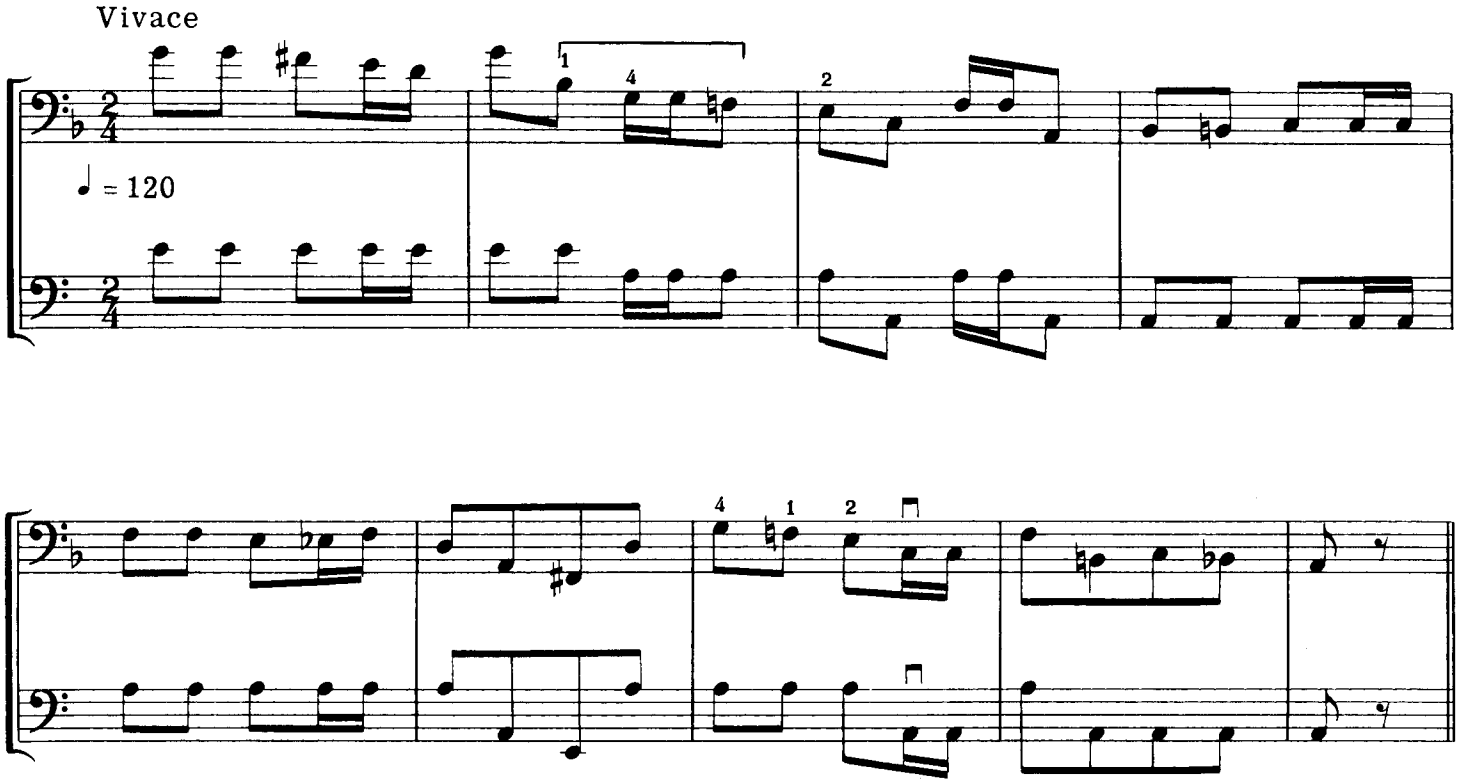

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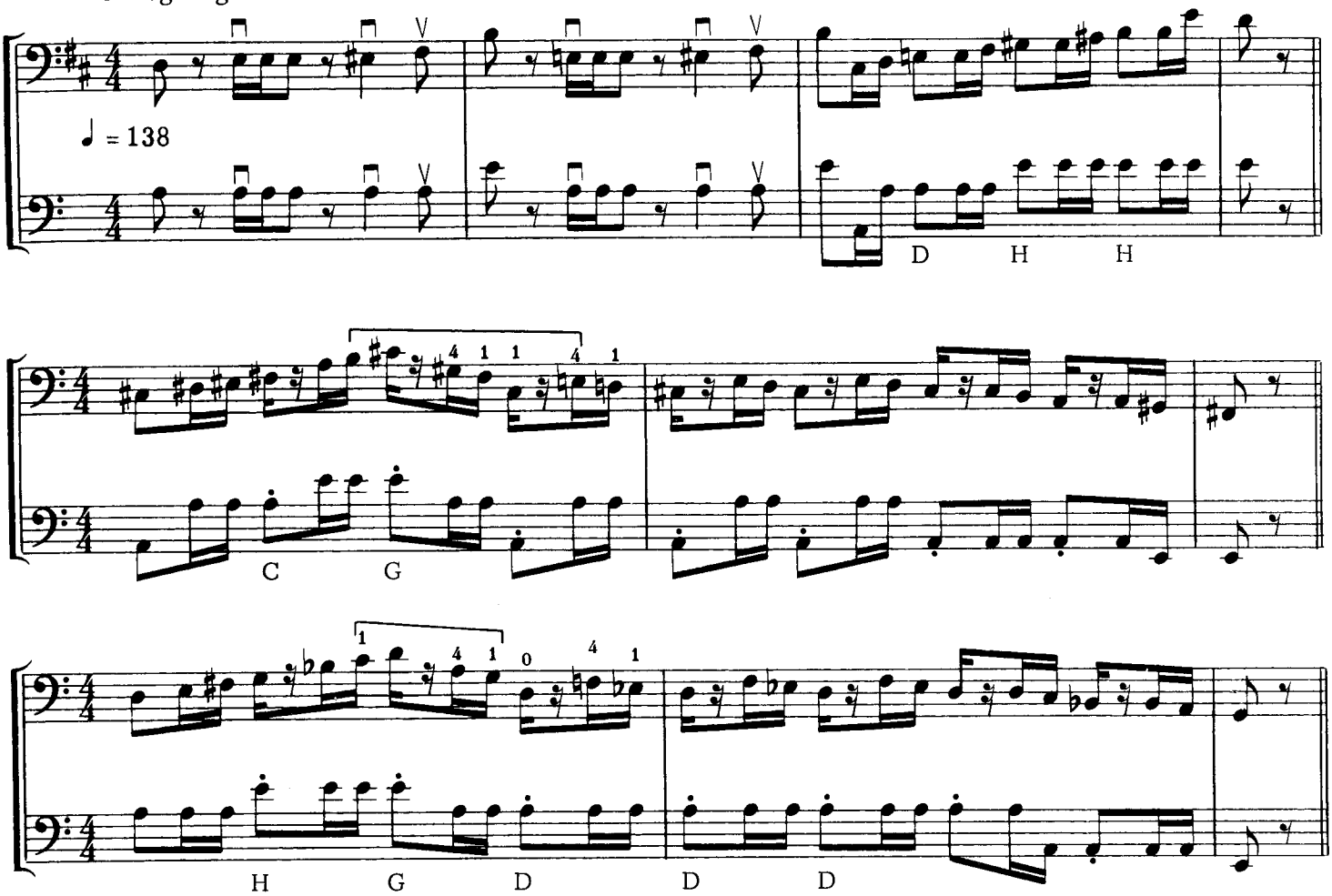

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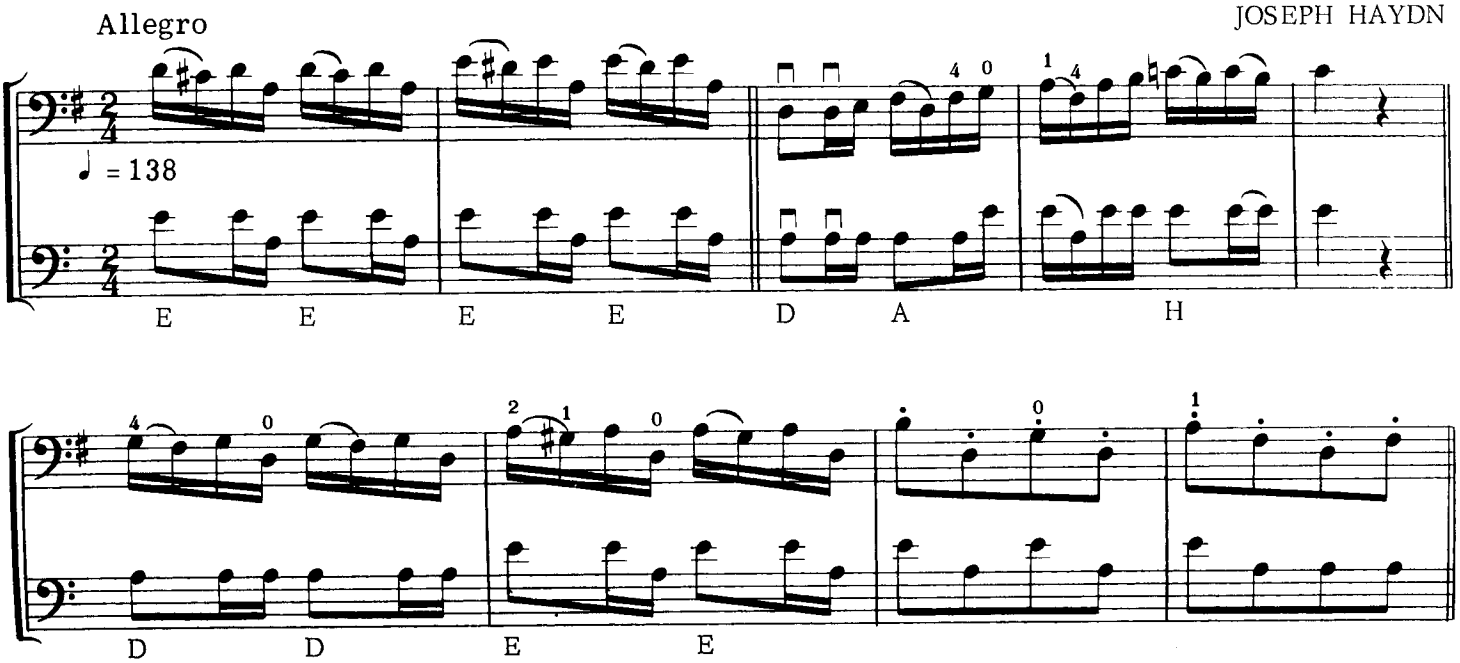

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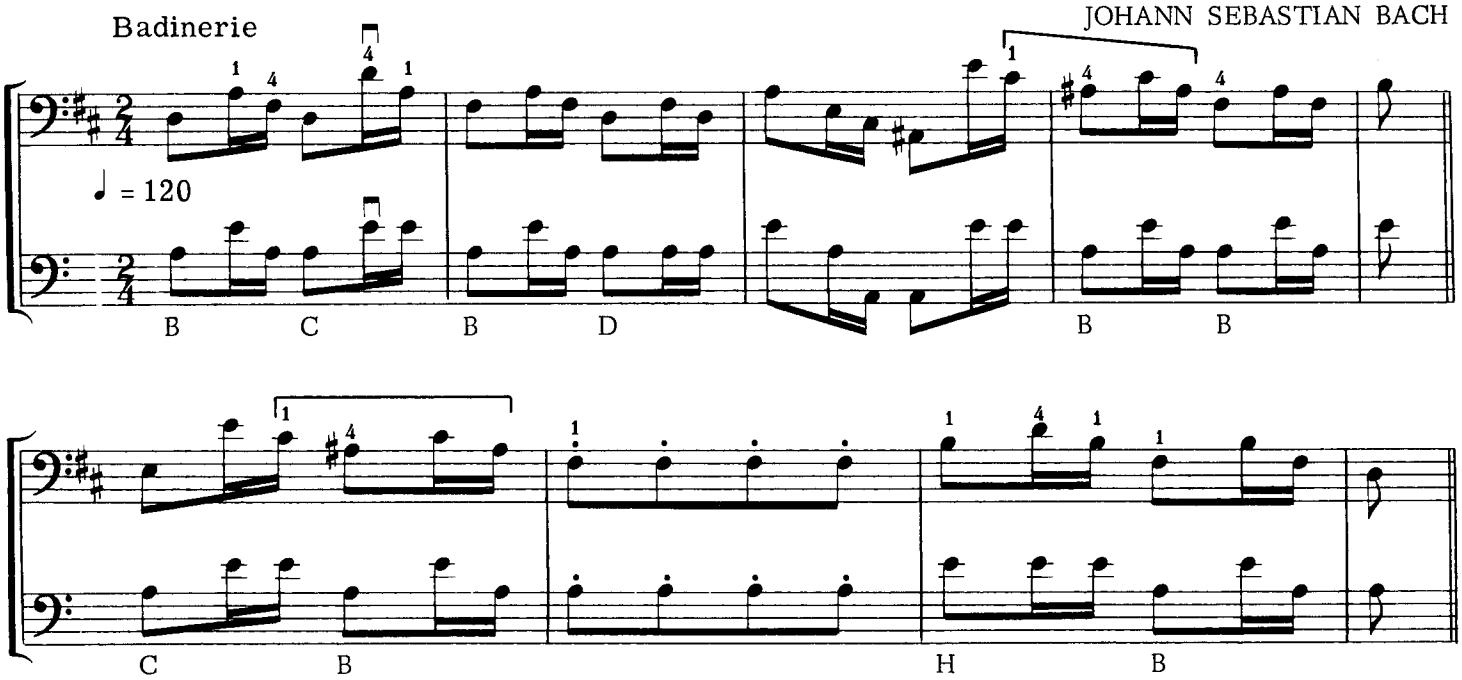

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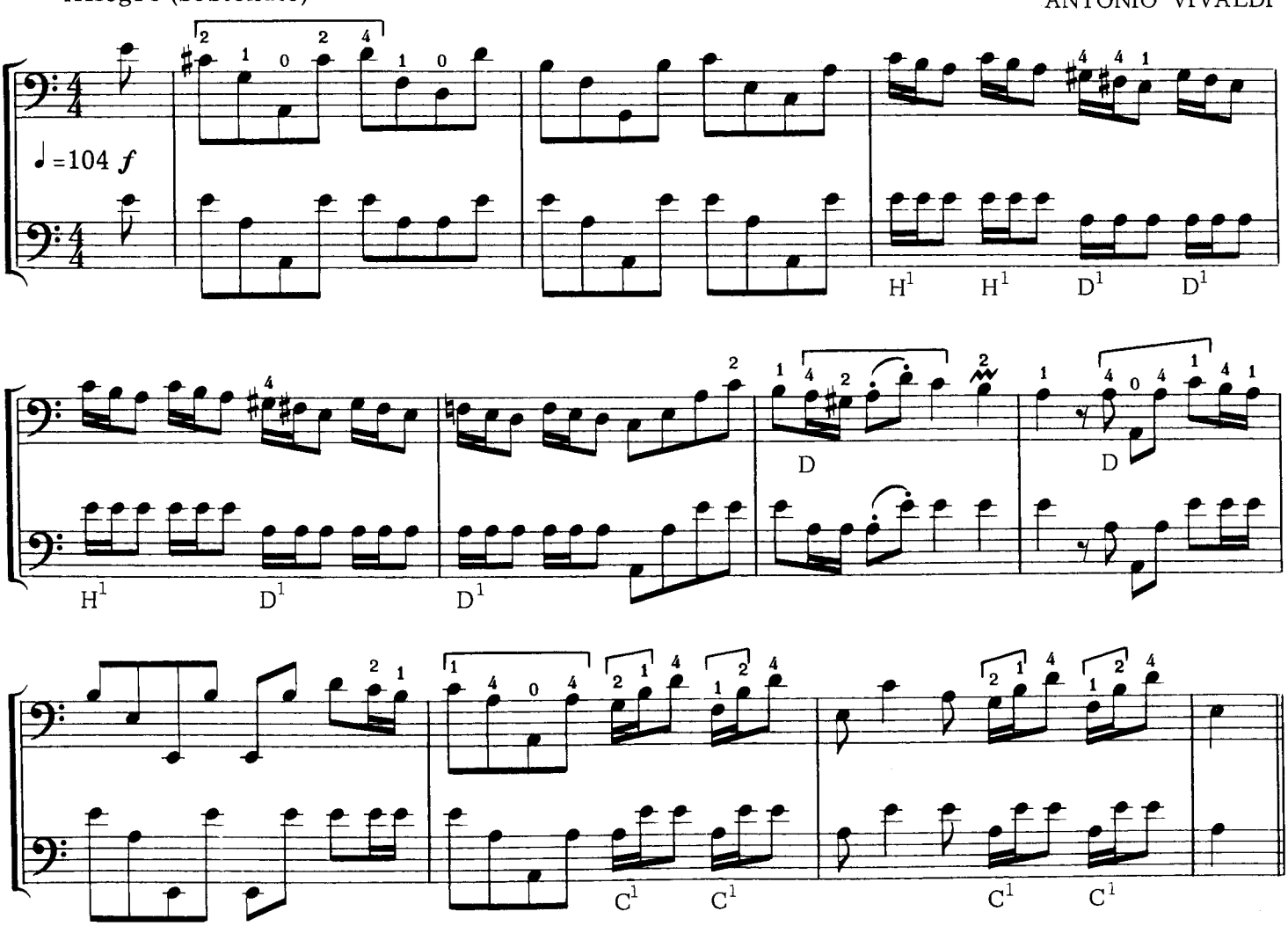

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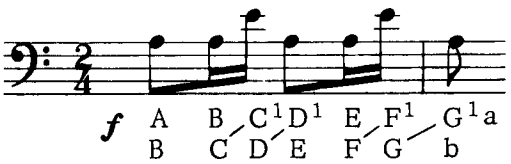
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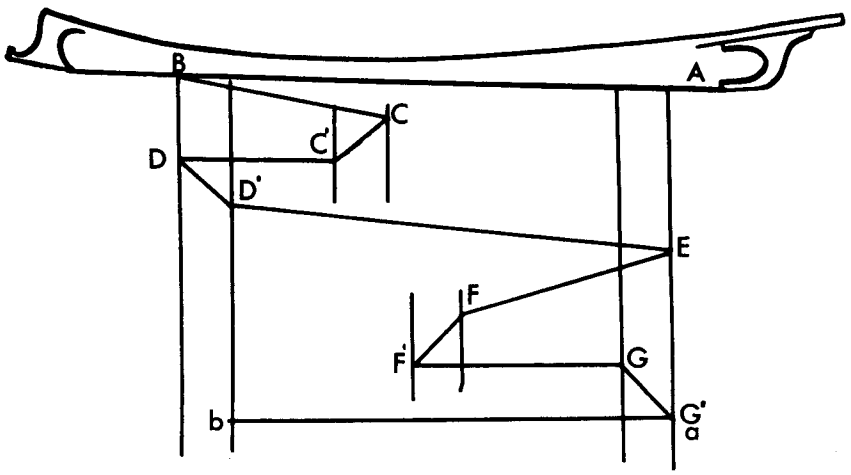
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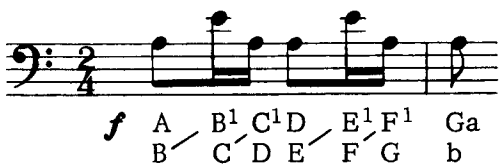
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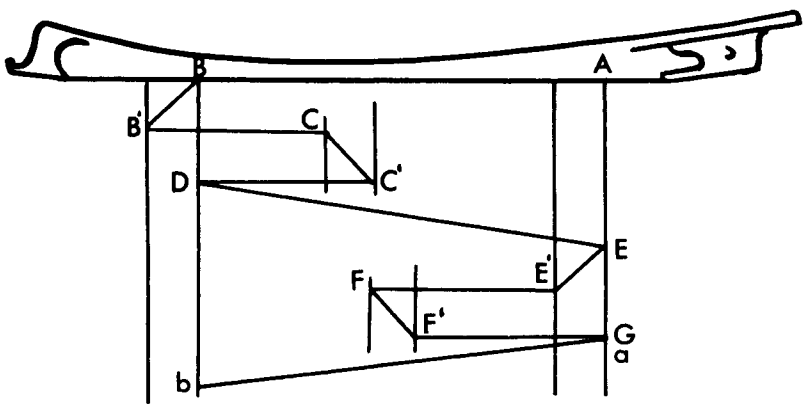
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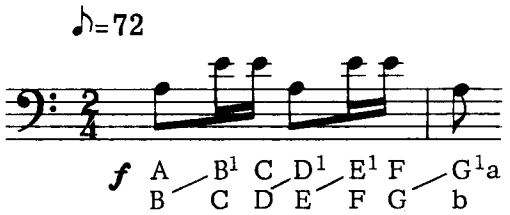
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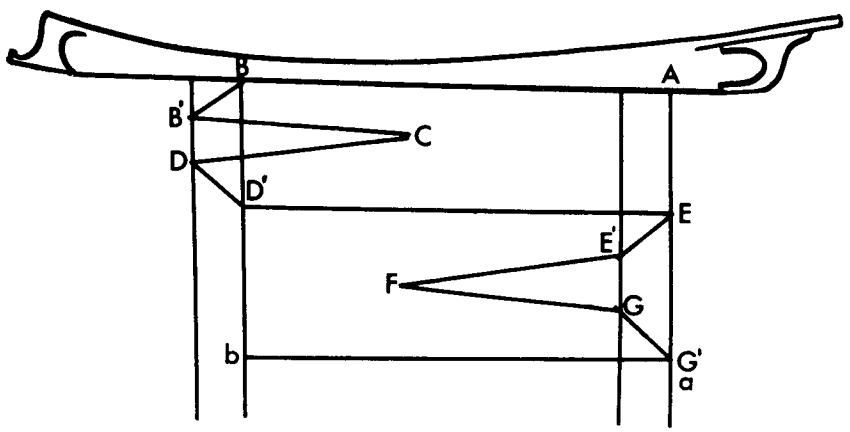
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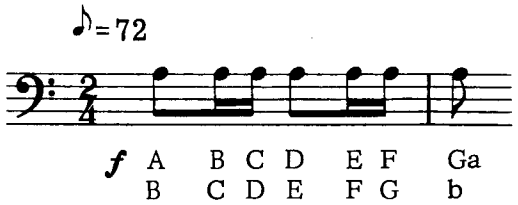
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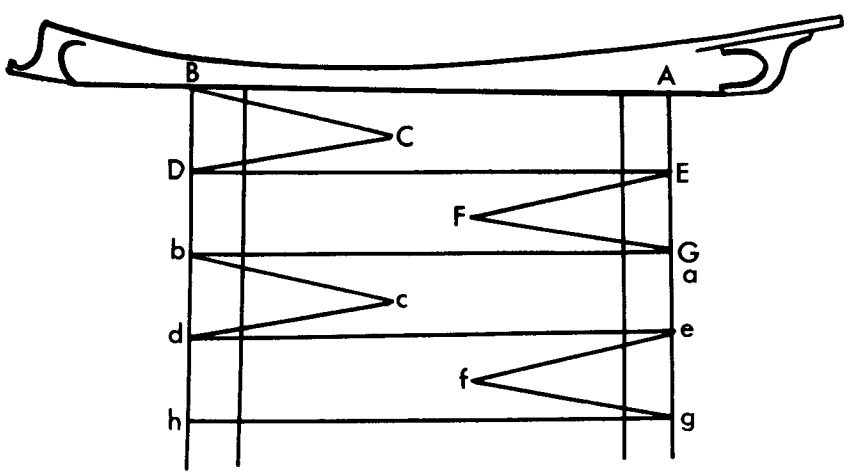
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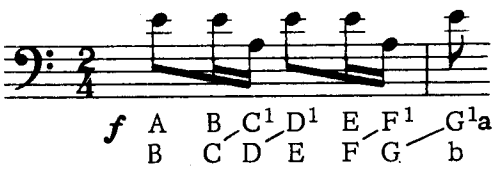
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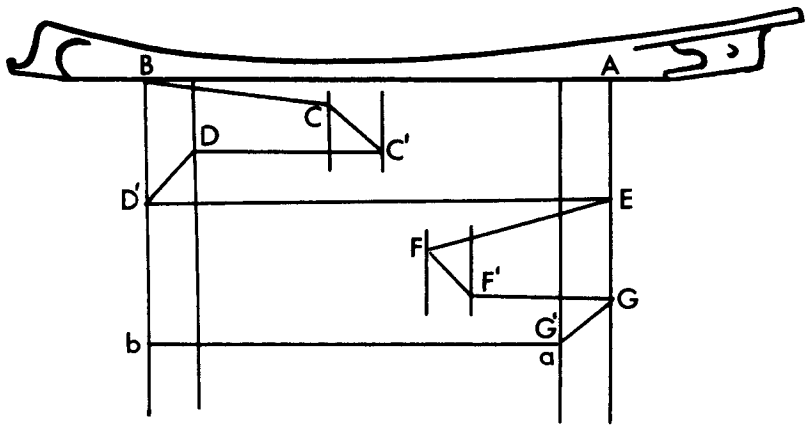
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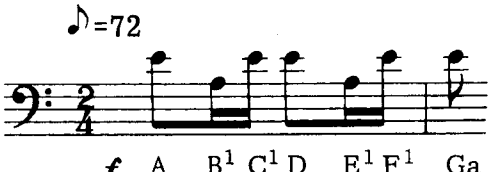
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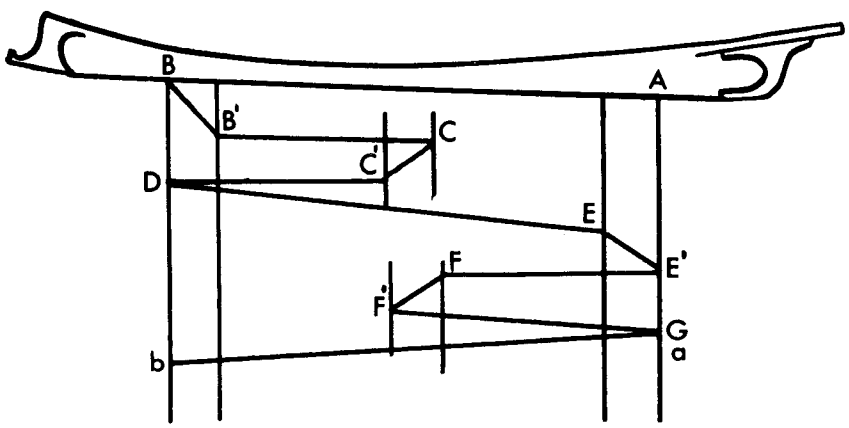
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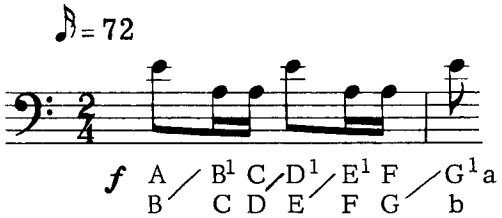
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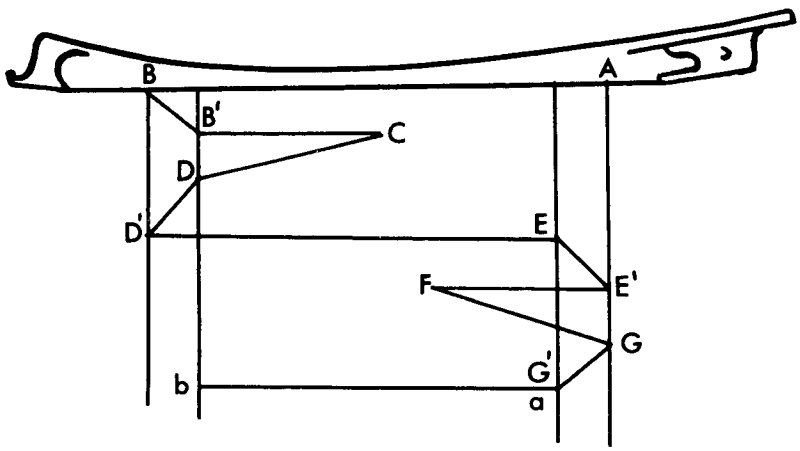
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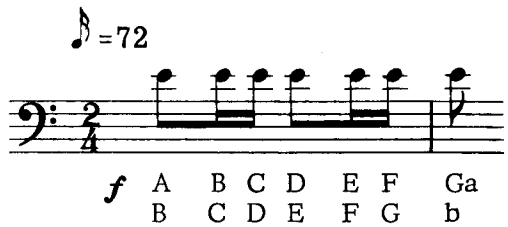
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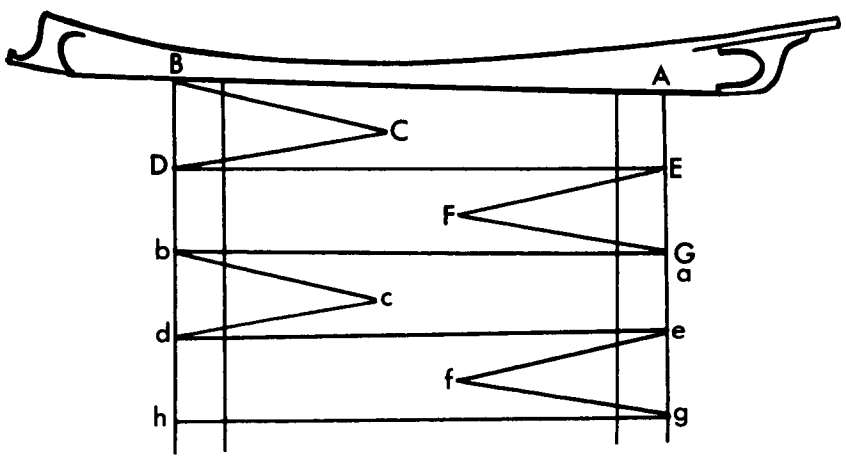
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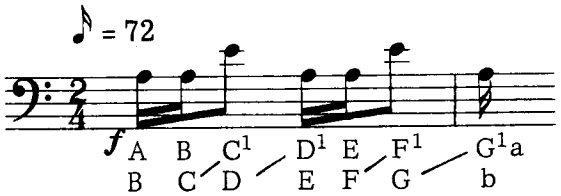
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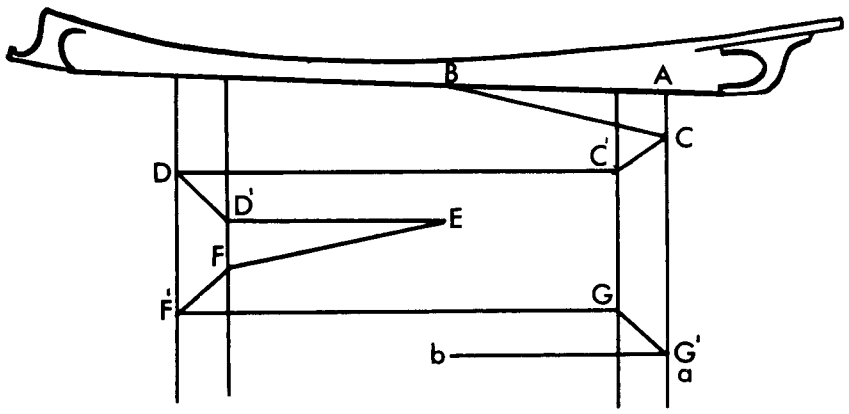
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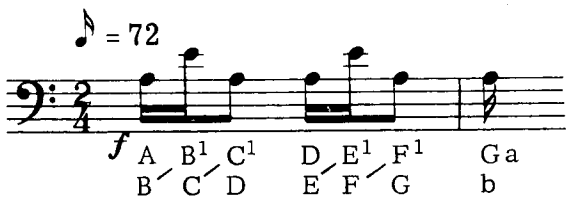
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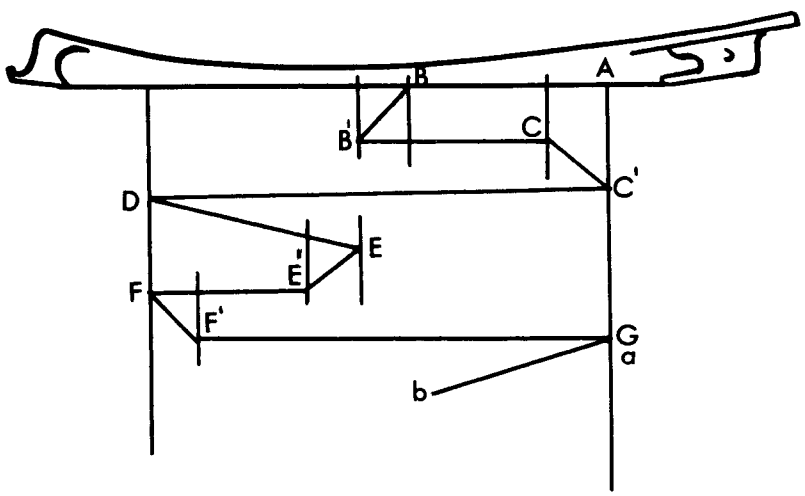
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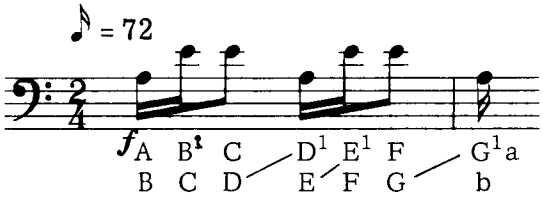
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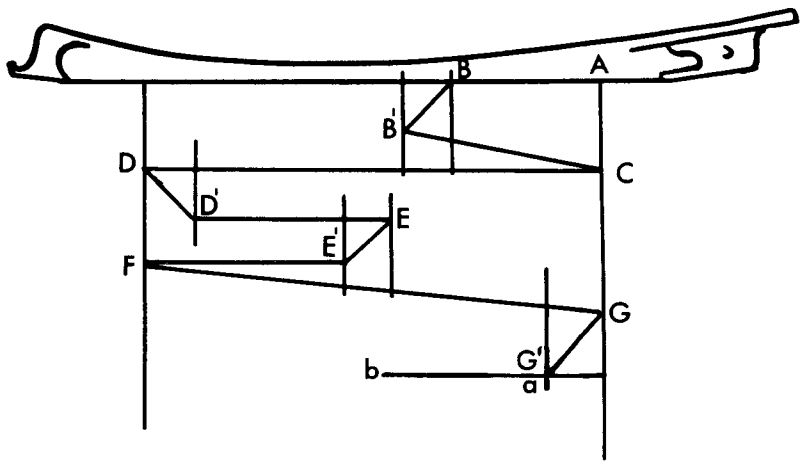
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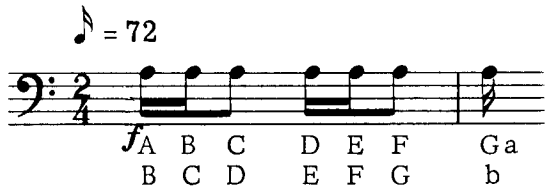
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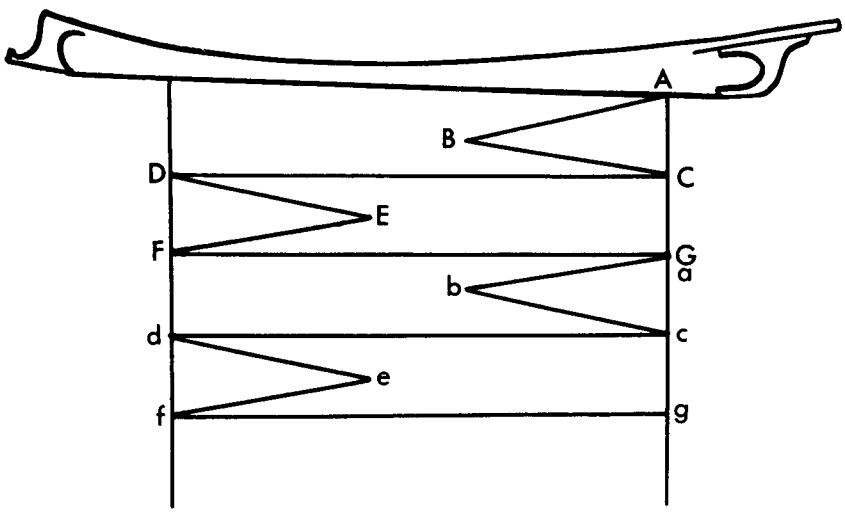
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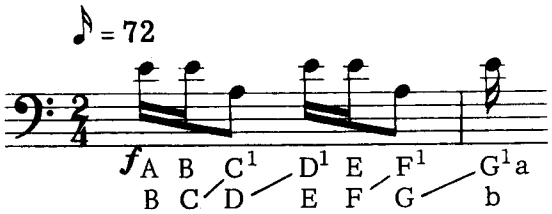
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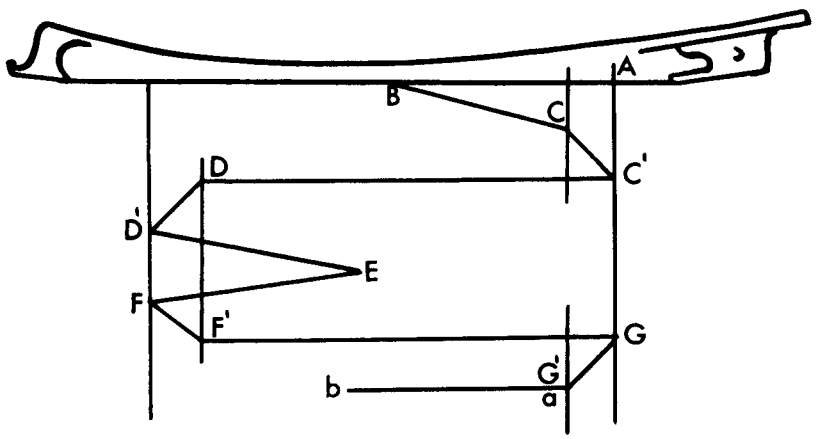
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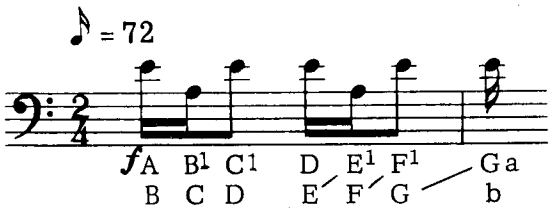
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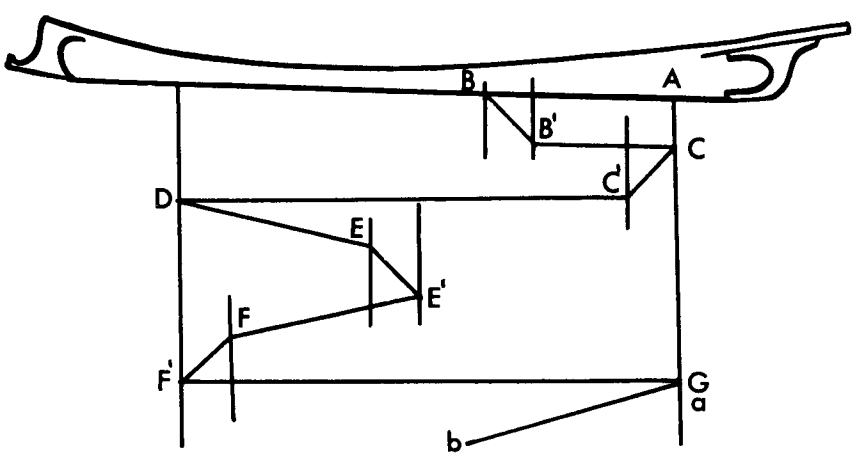
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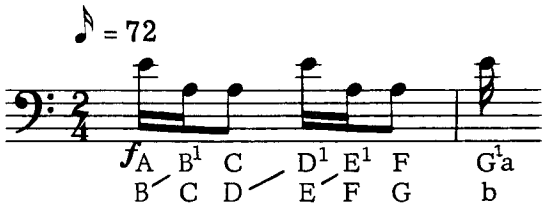

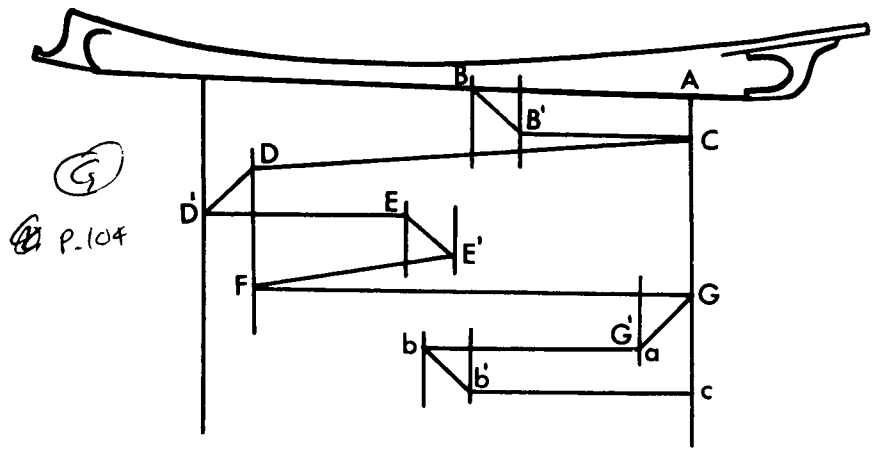

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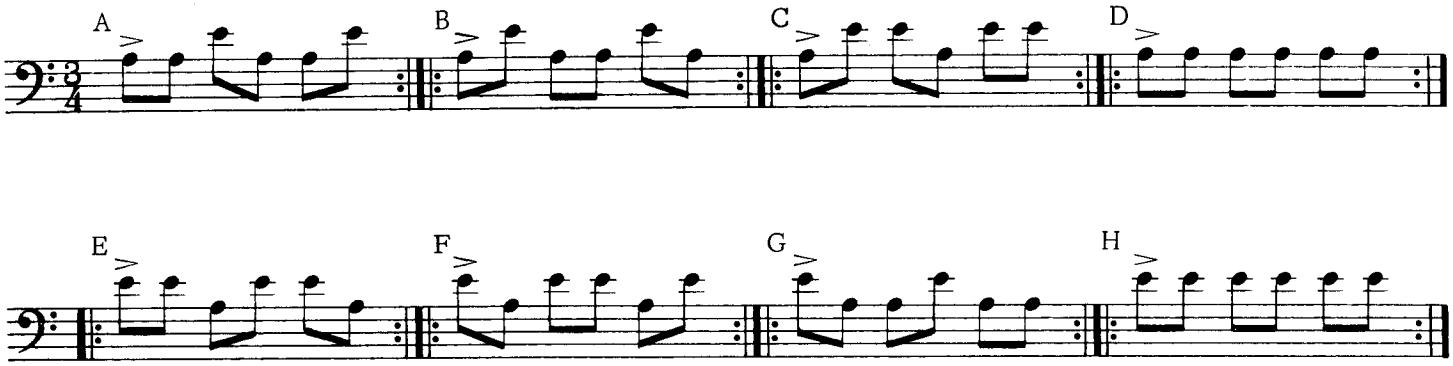
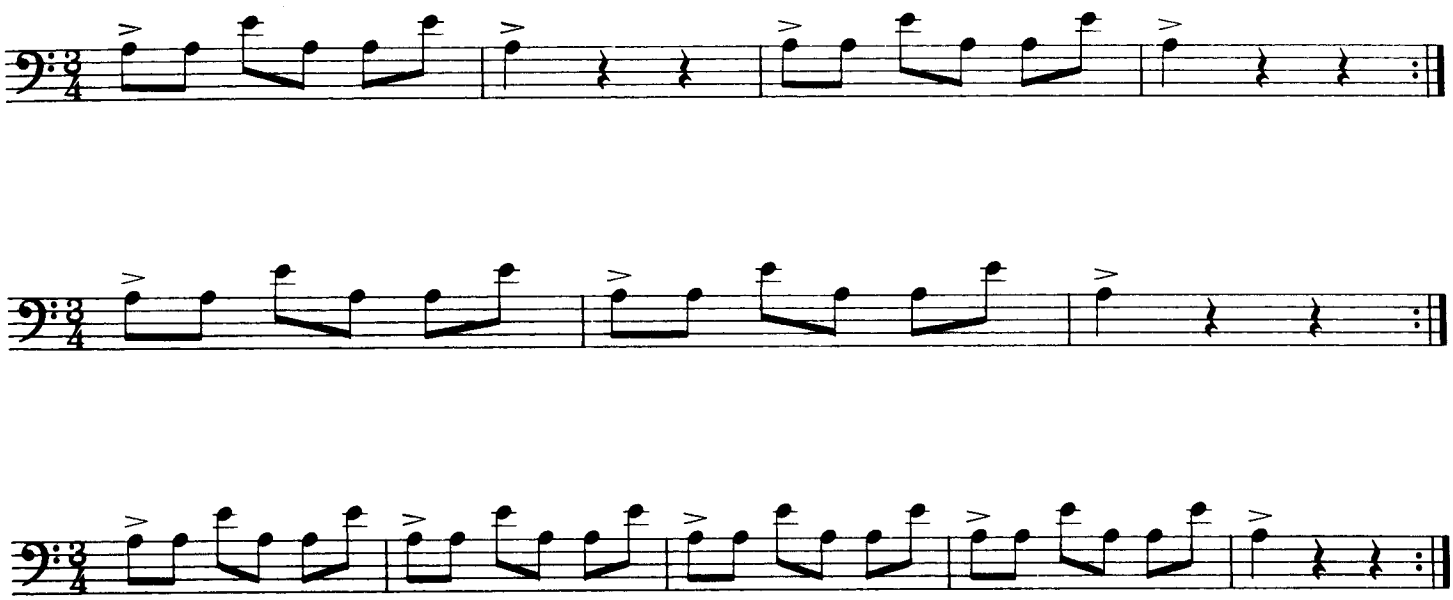
SECTION IV

PATTERN I



Suggested procedure for practice: Each pattern is played first at a metronome marking of ♩ = 90. The tempo is accelerated until ♩ = 176, with the bow on the string *(Détaché)*. With the metronome set at ♩ = 192, the patterns are practiced with a *Spiccato* bowing. At 𝅗𝅥· = 88 the bow remains again on the string.



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PATTERN I

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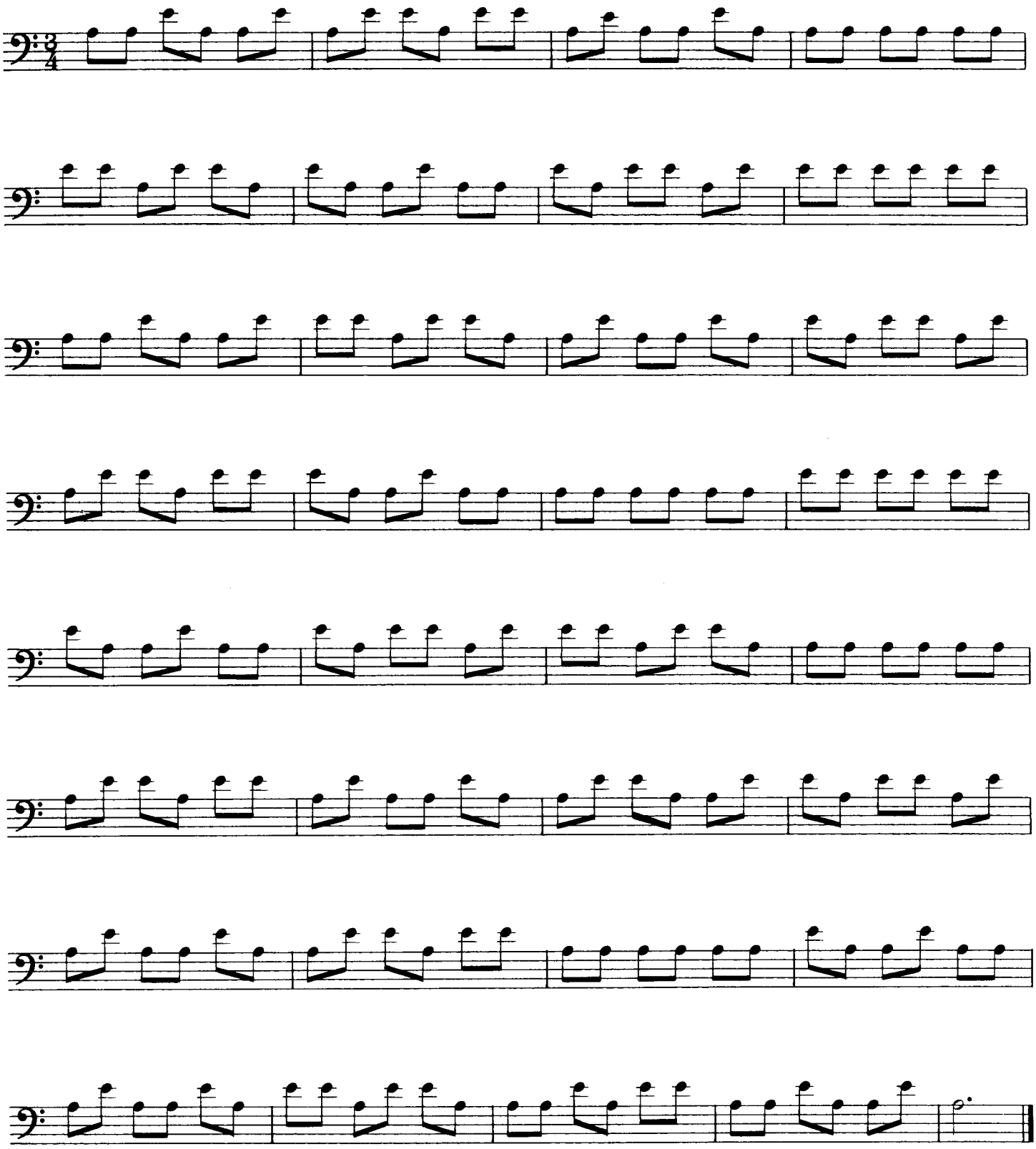

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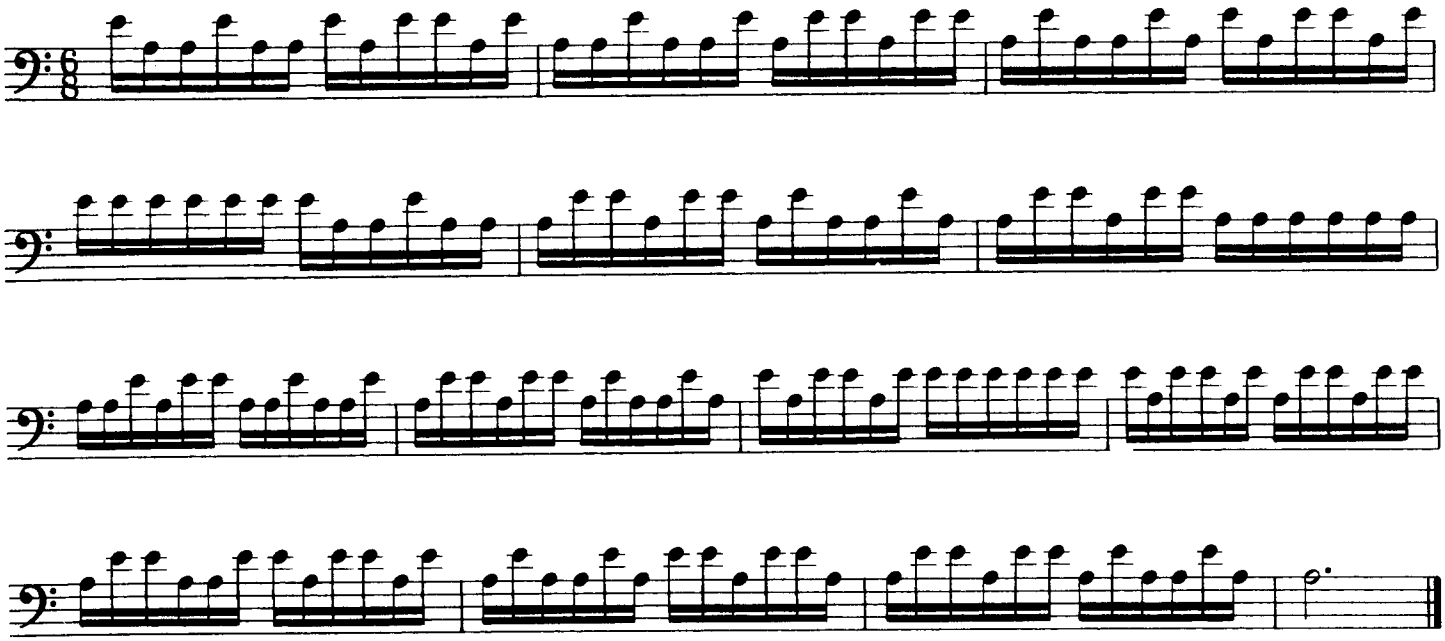
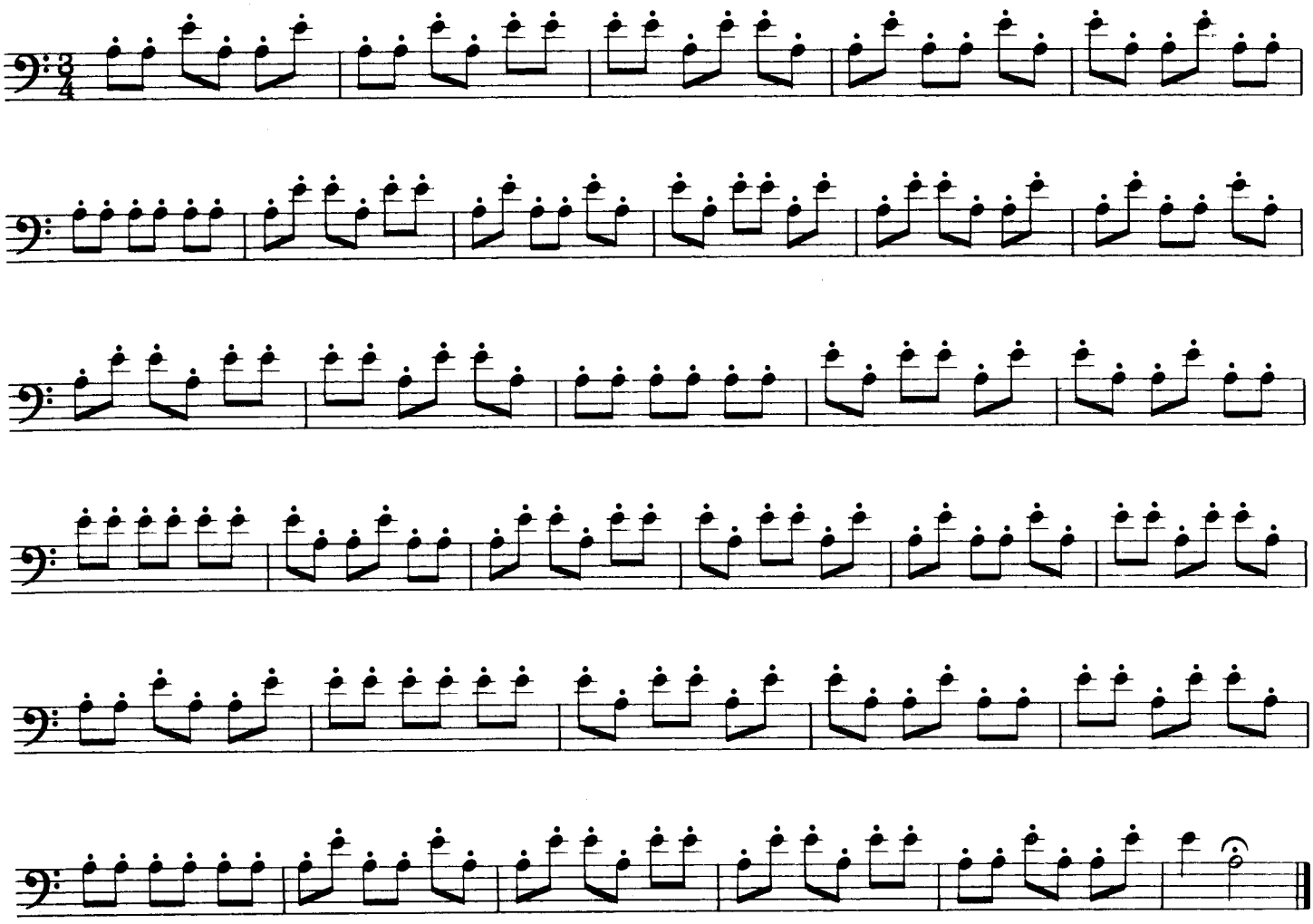


This exercise is to be practiced with a *Martelé* bowing; each note beginning with a sharp attack and separated from the next note.

Moderato ♩ = 144



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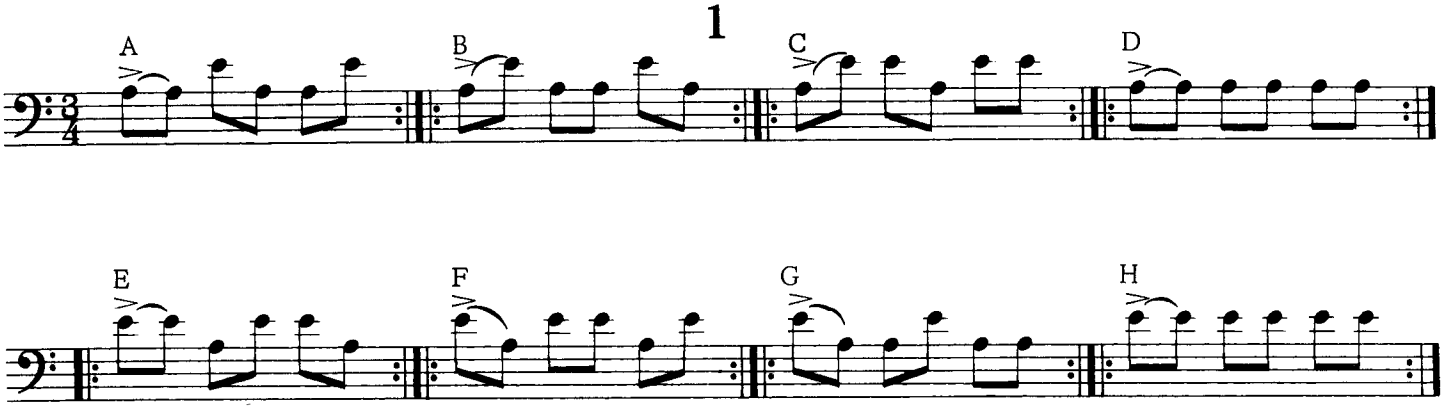

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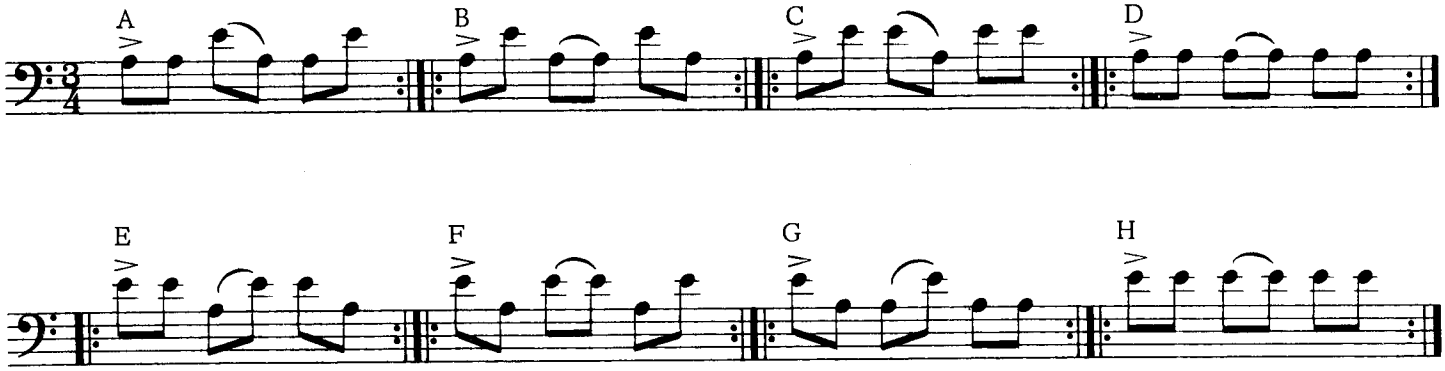

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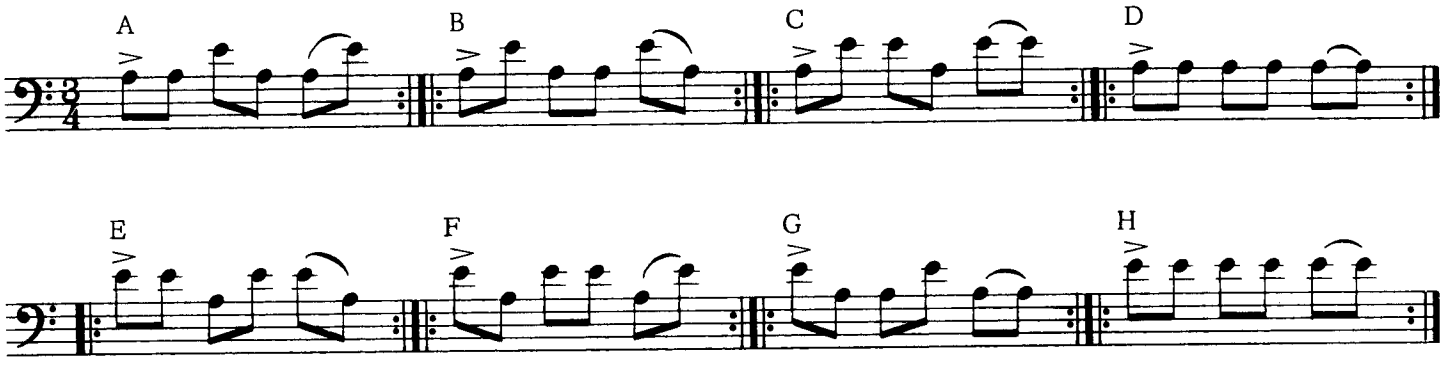

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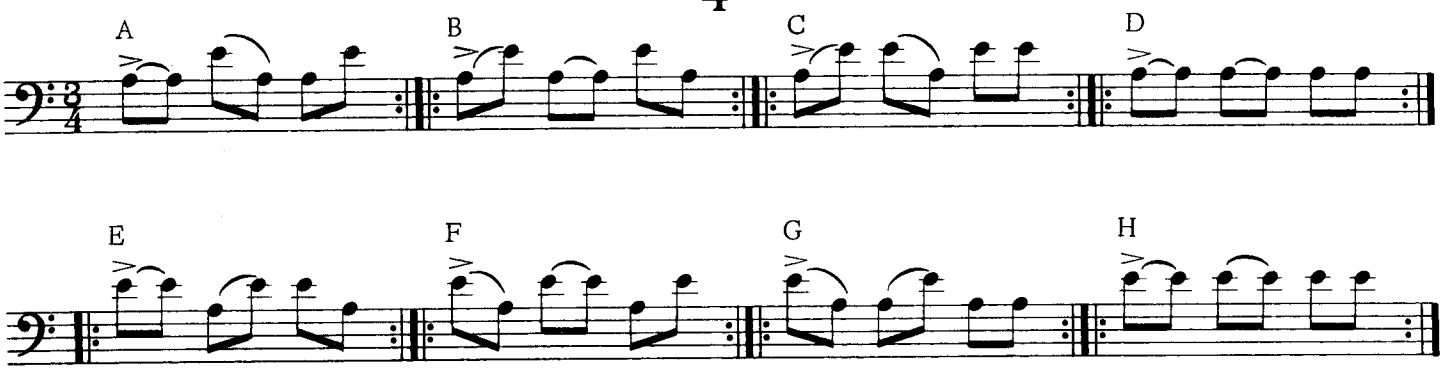

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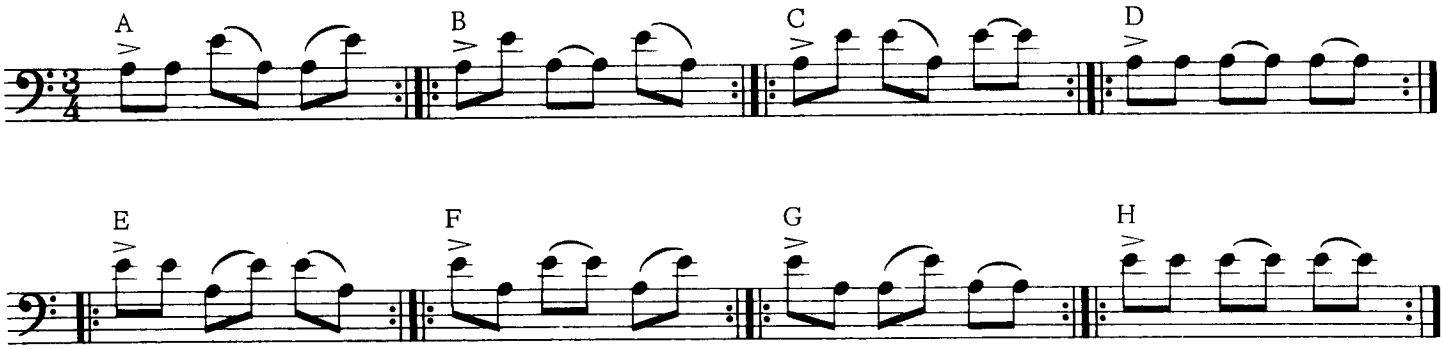

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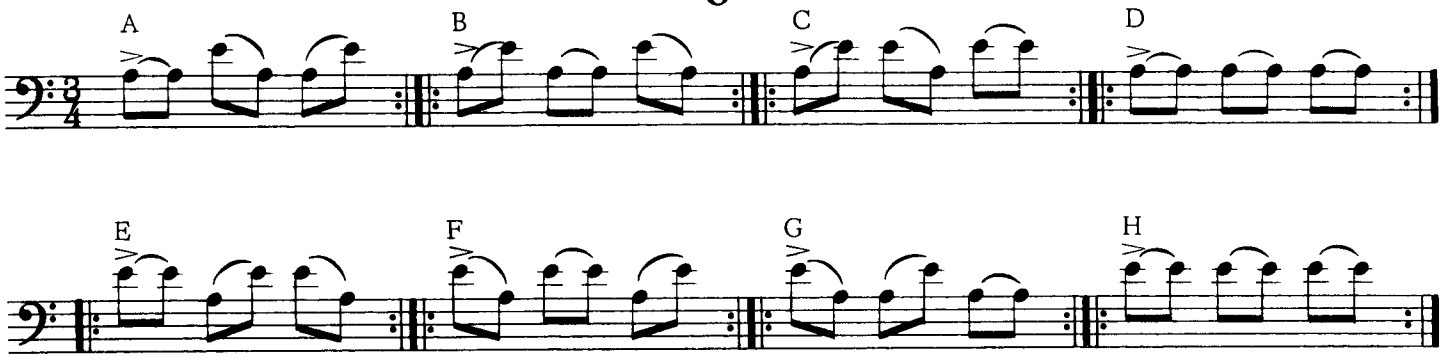

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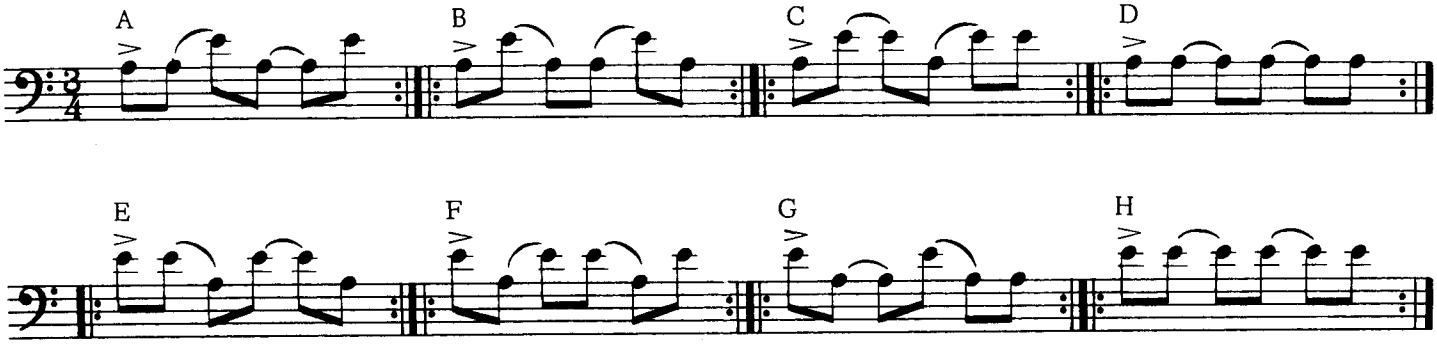

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BOWINGS (PATTERN I)

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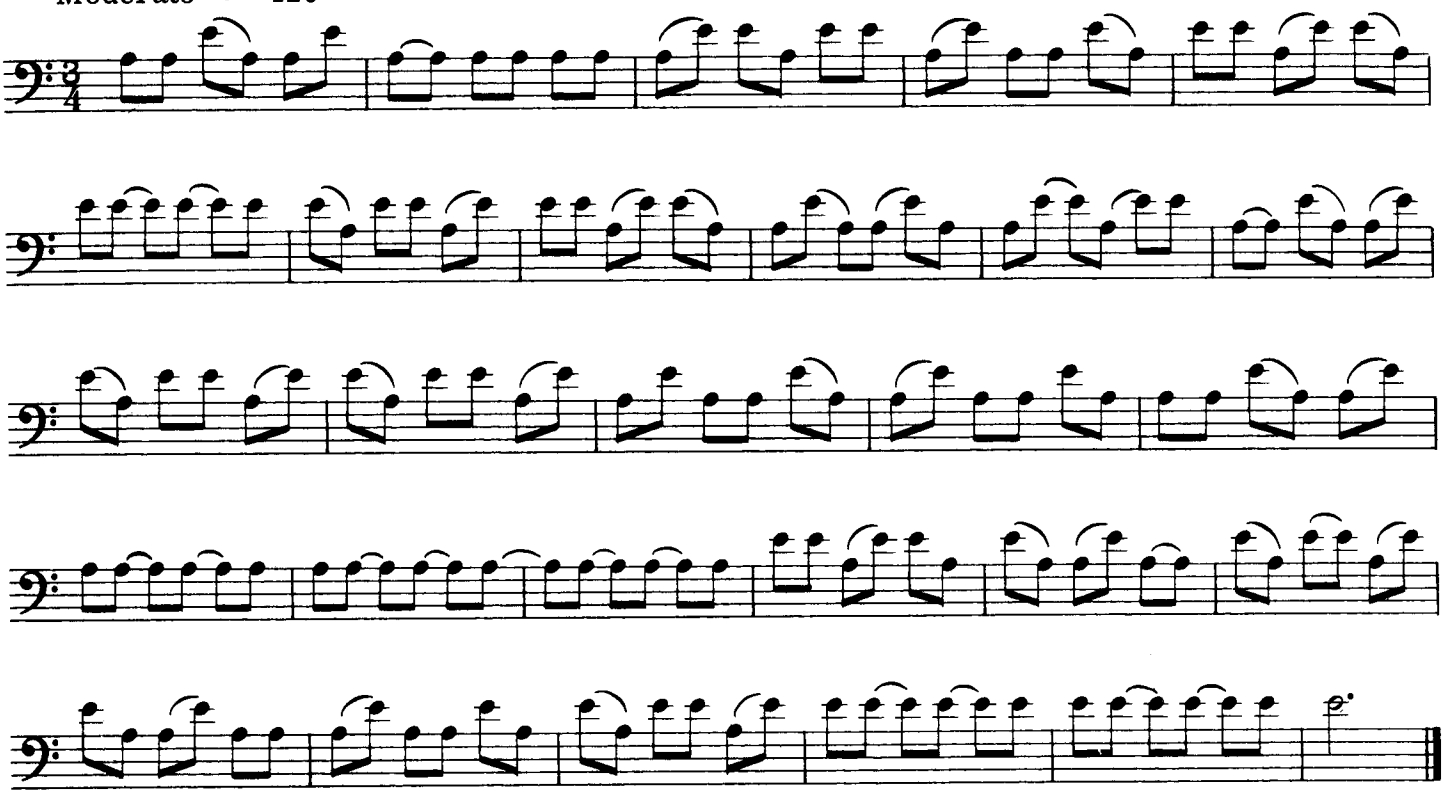

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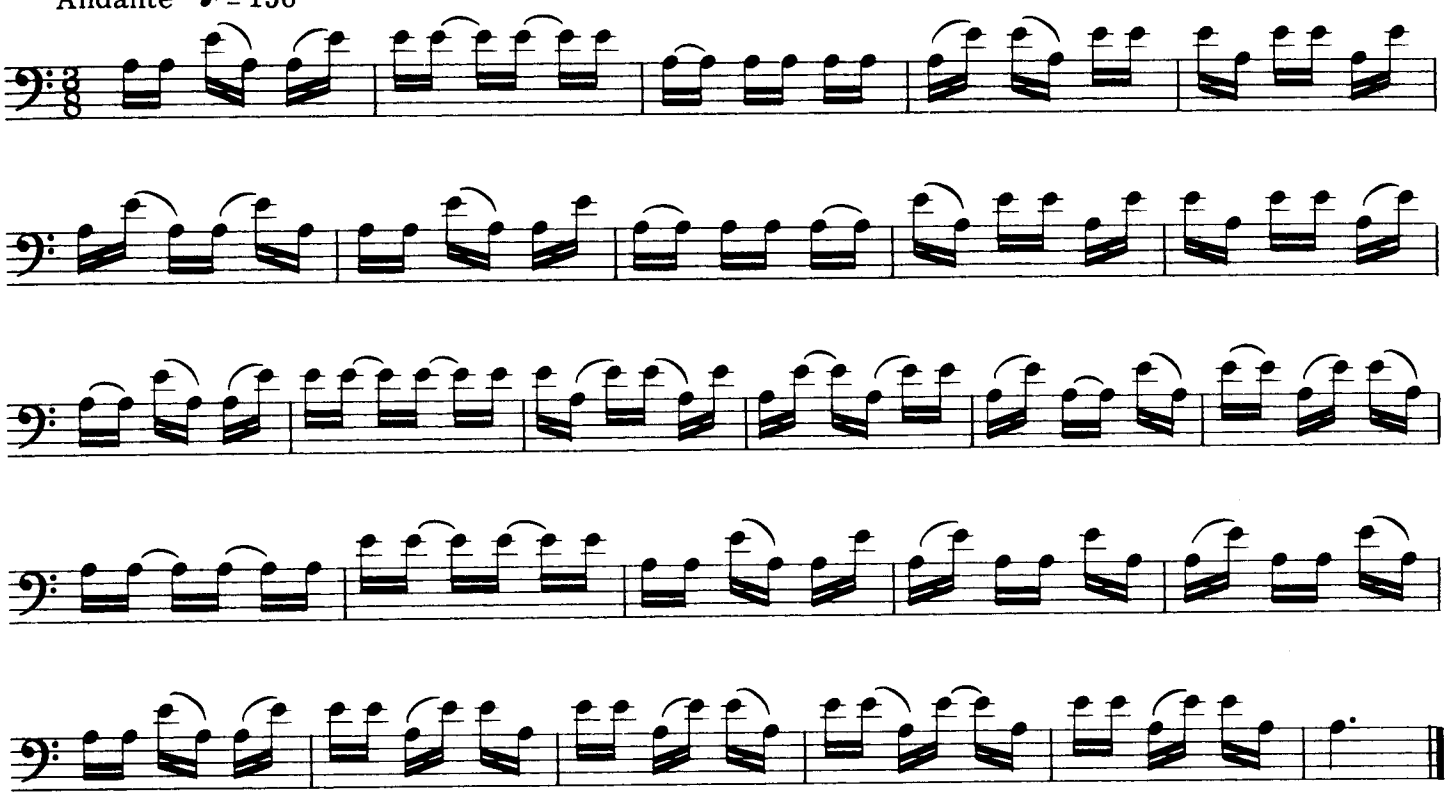
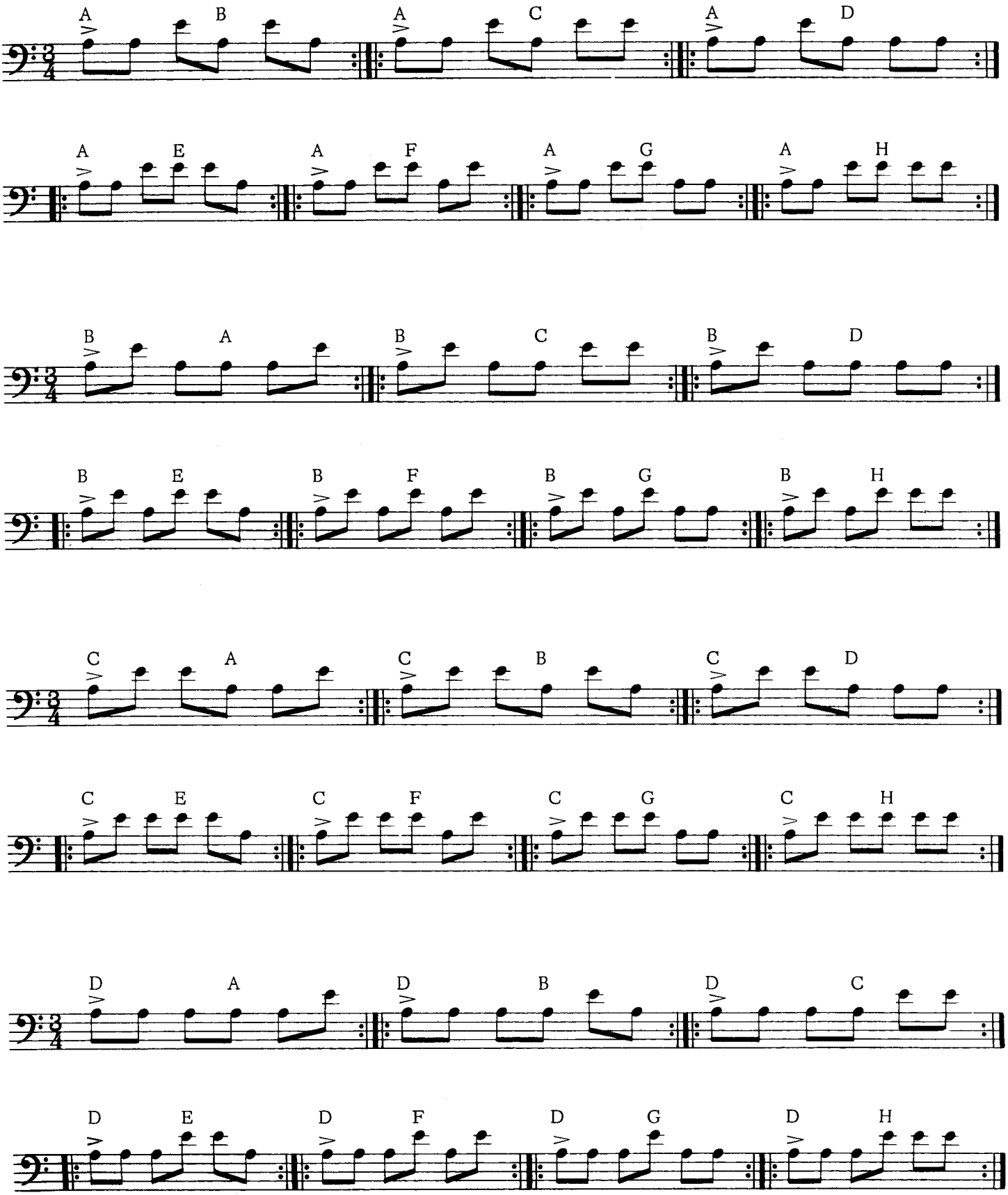
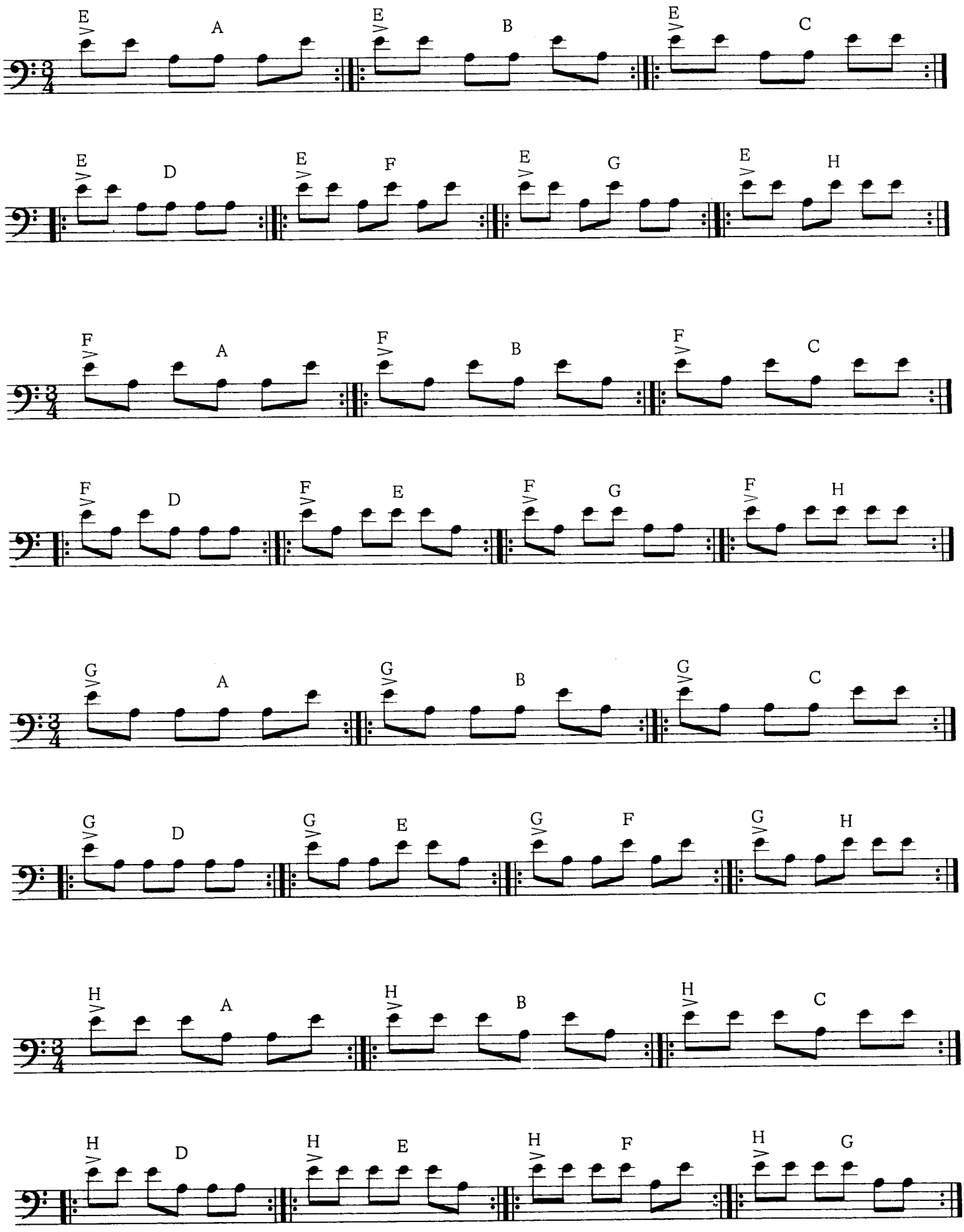


PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN I

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PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN I

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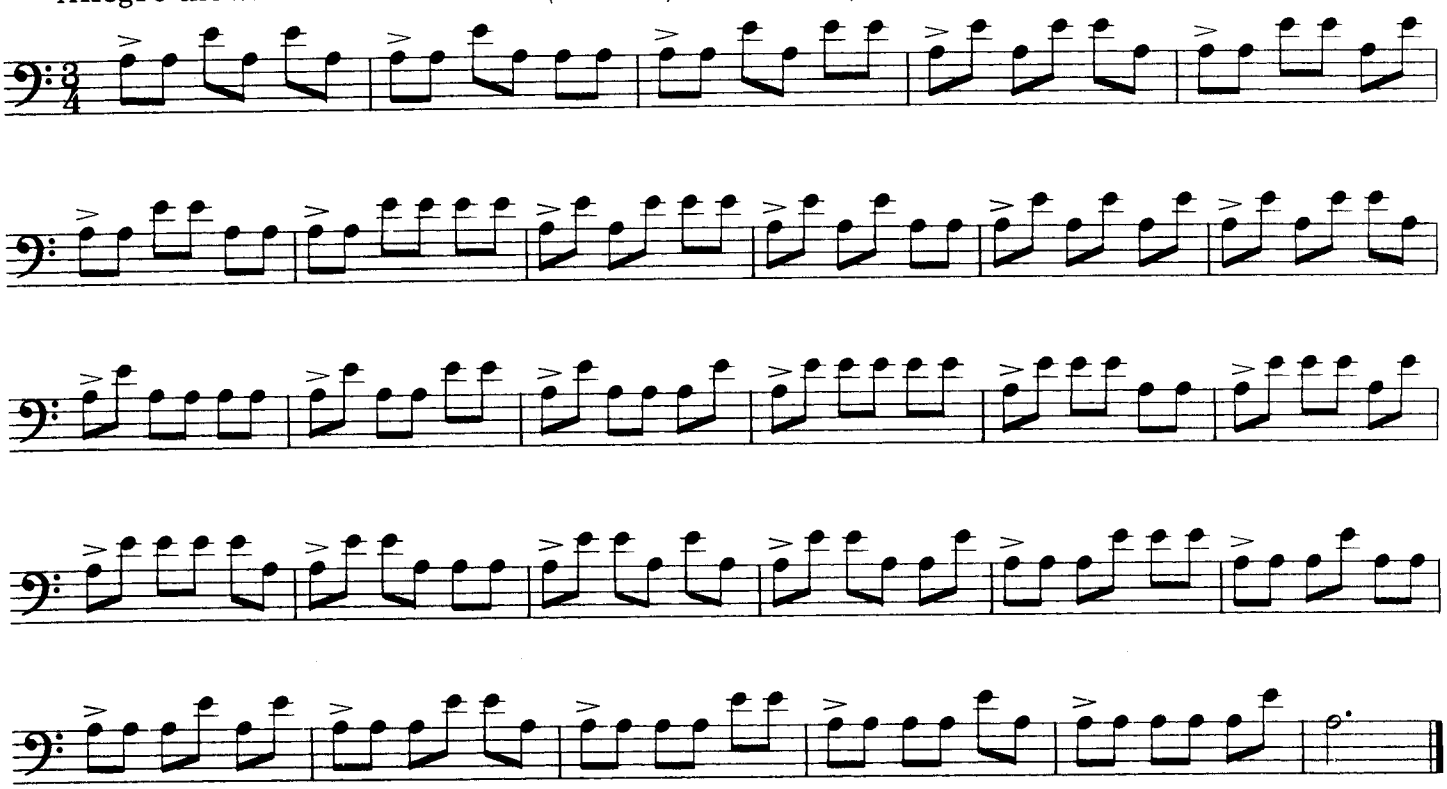

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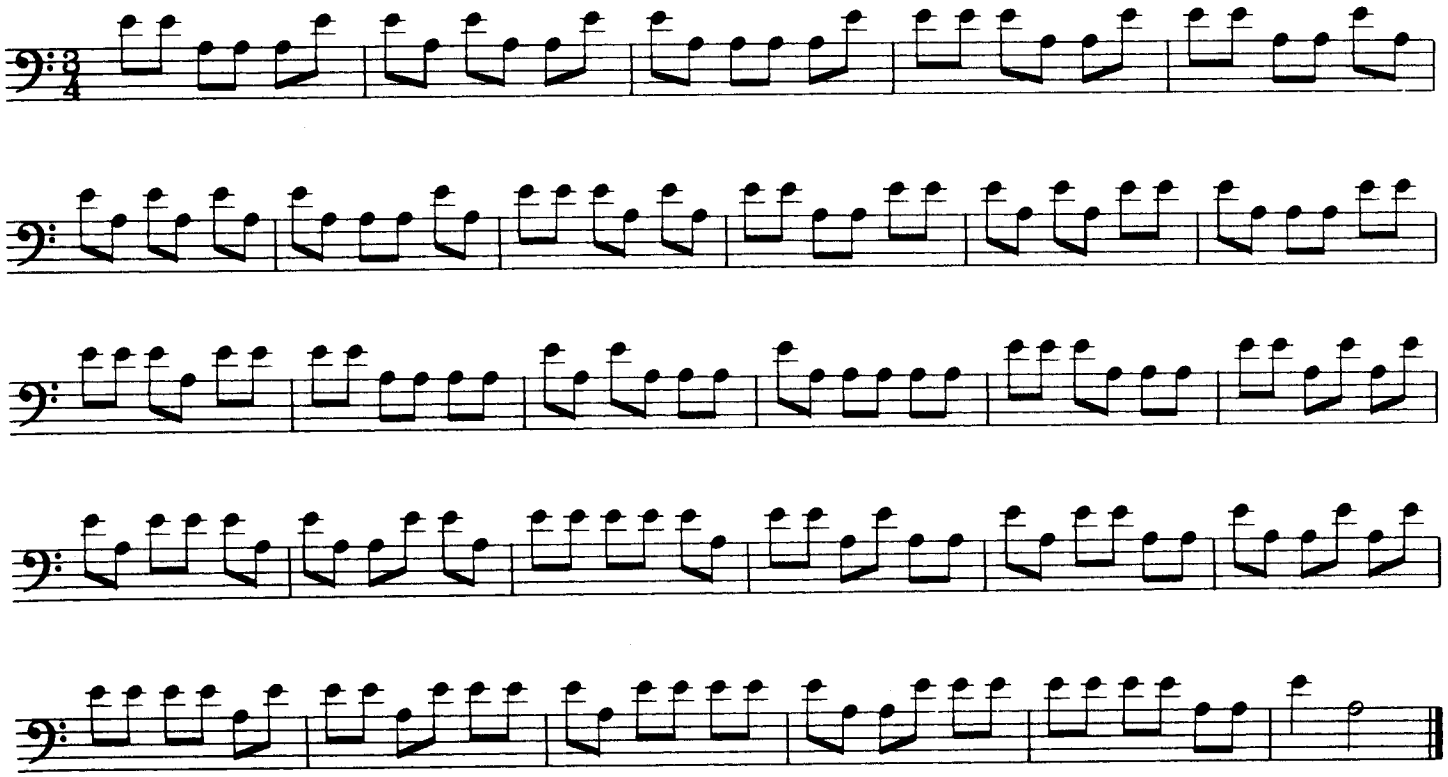

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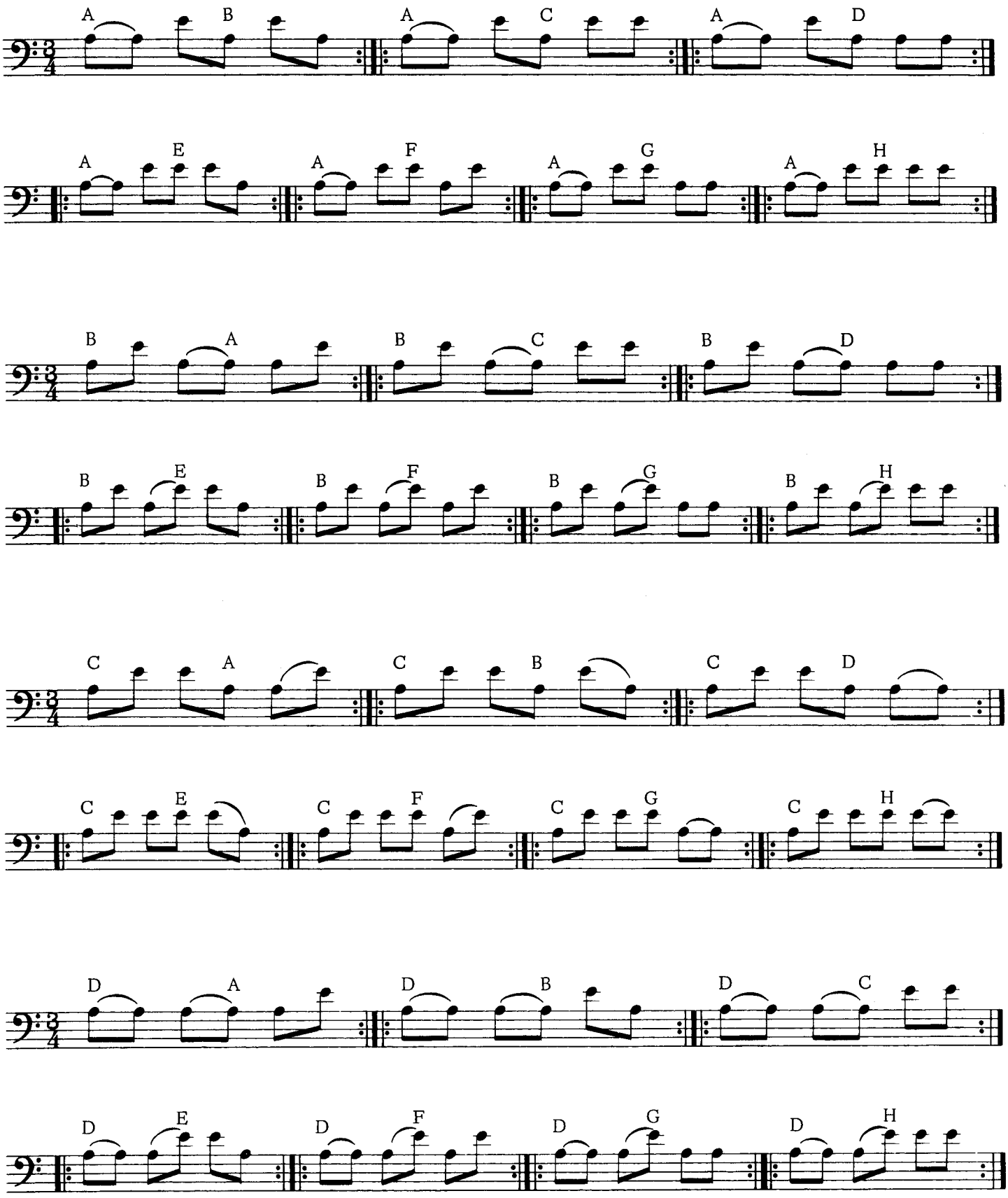
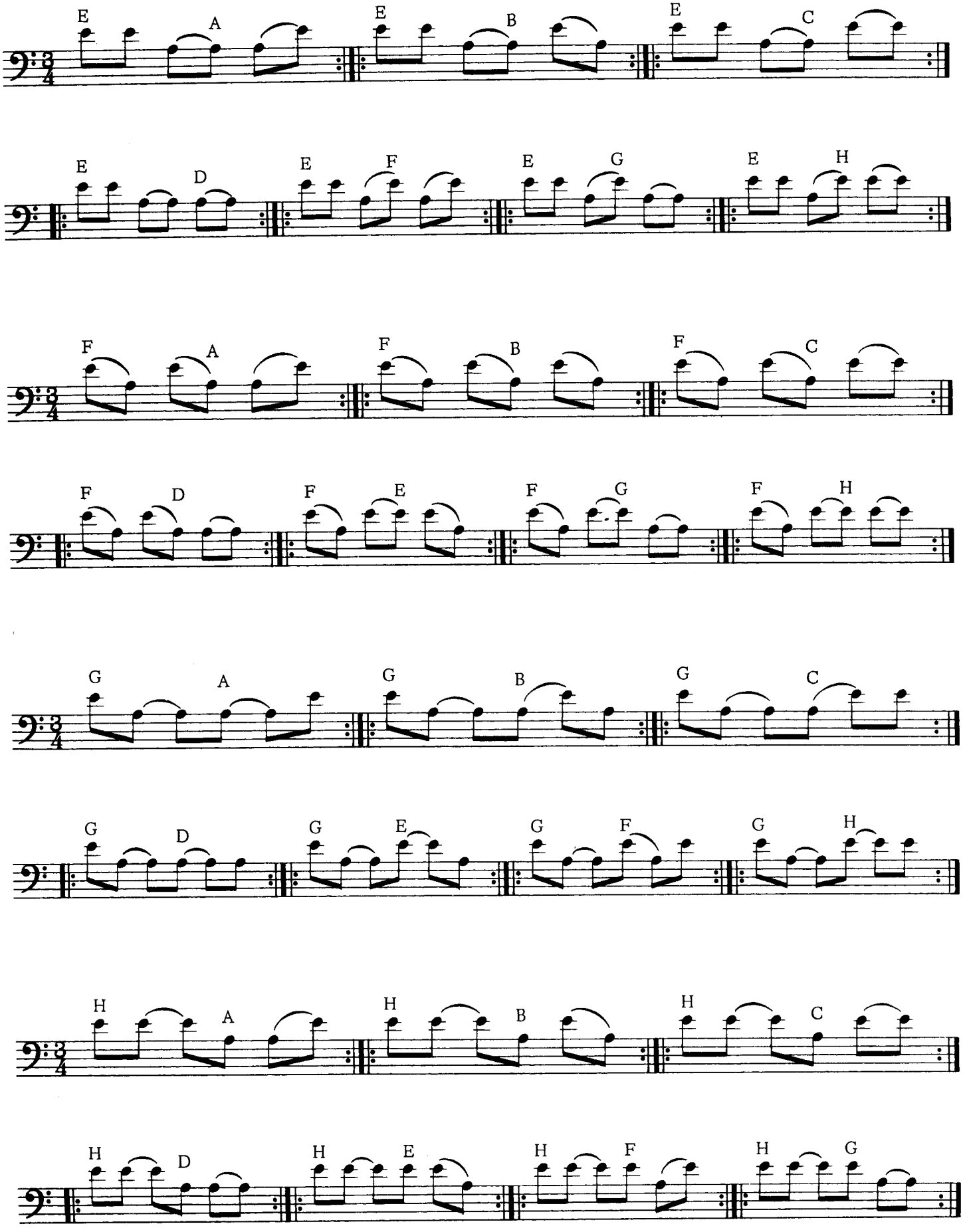
PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN I

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BOWINGS (PERMUTATIONS OF PATTERN I)

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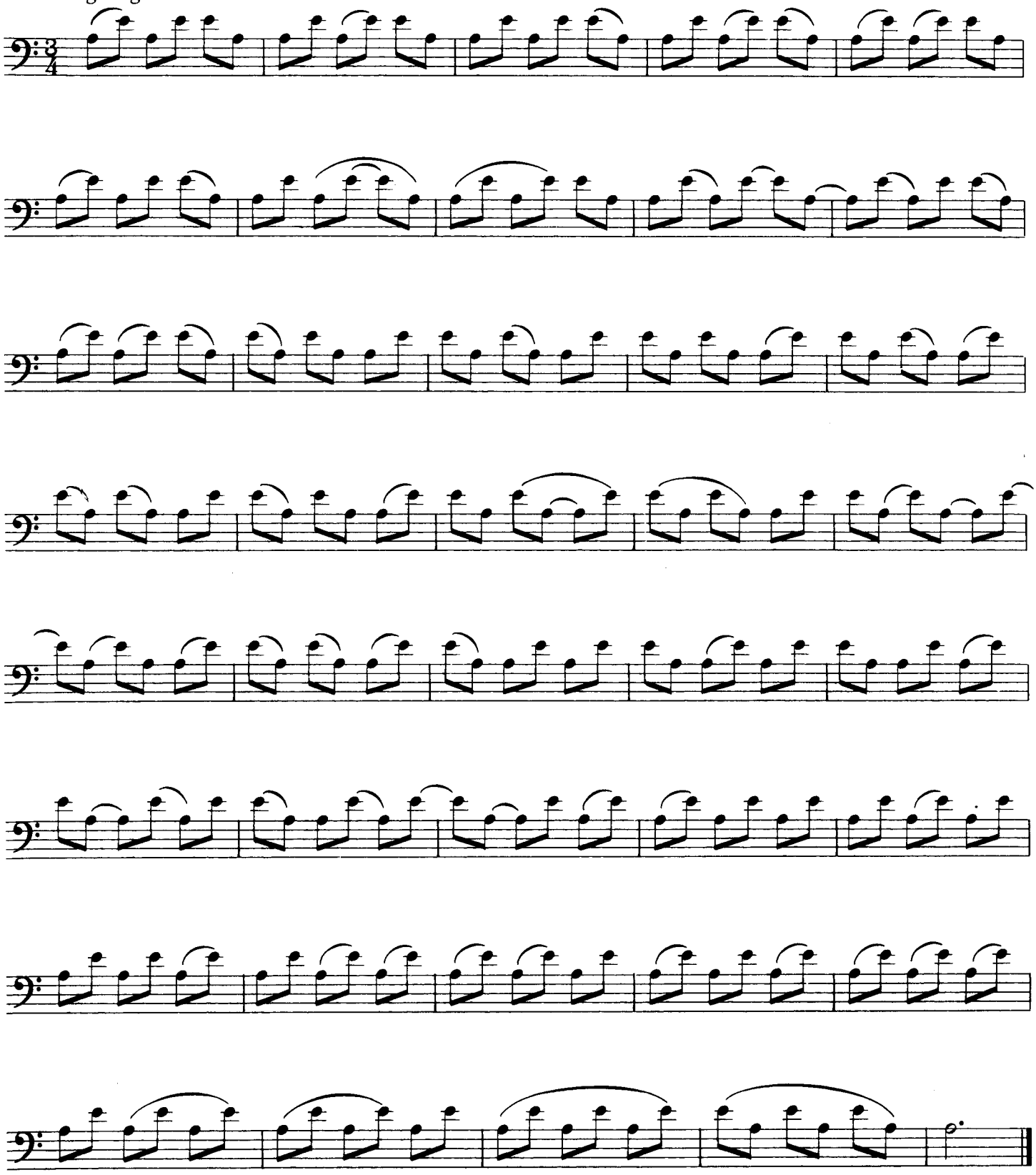

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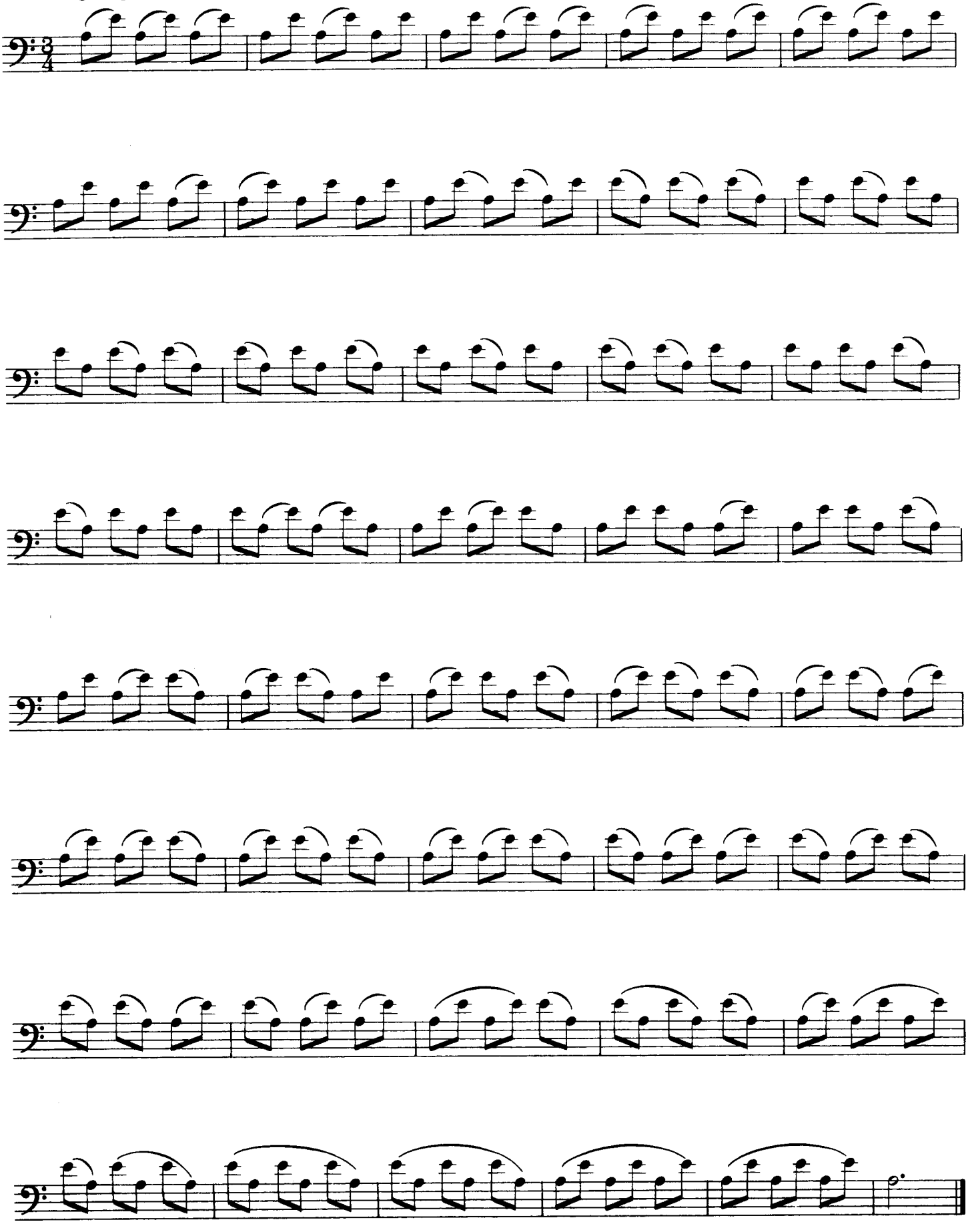

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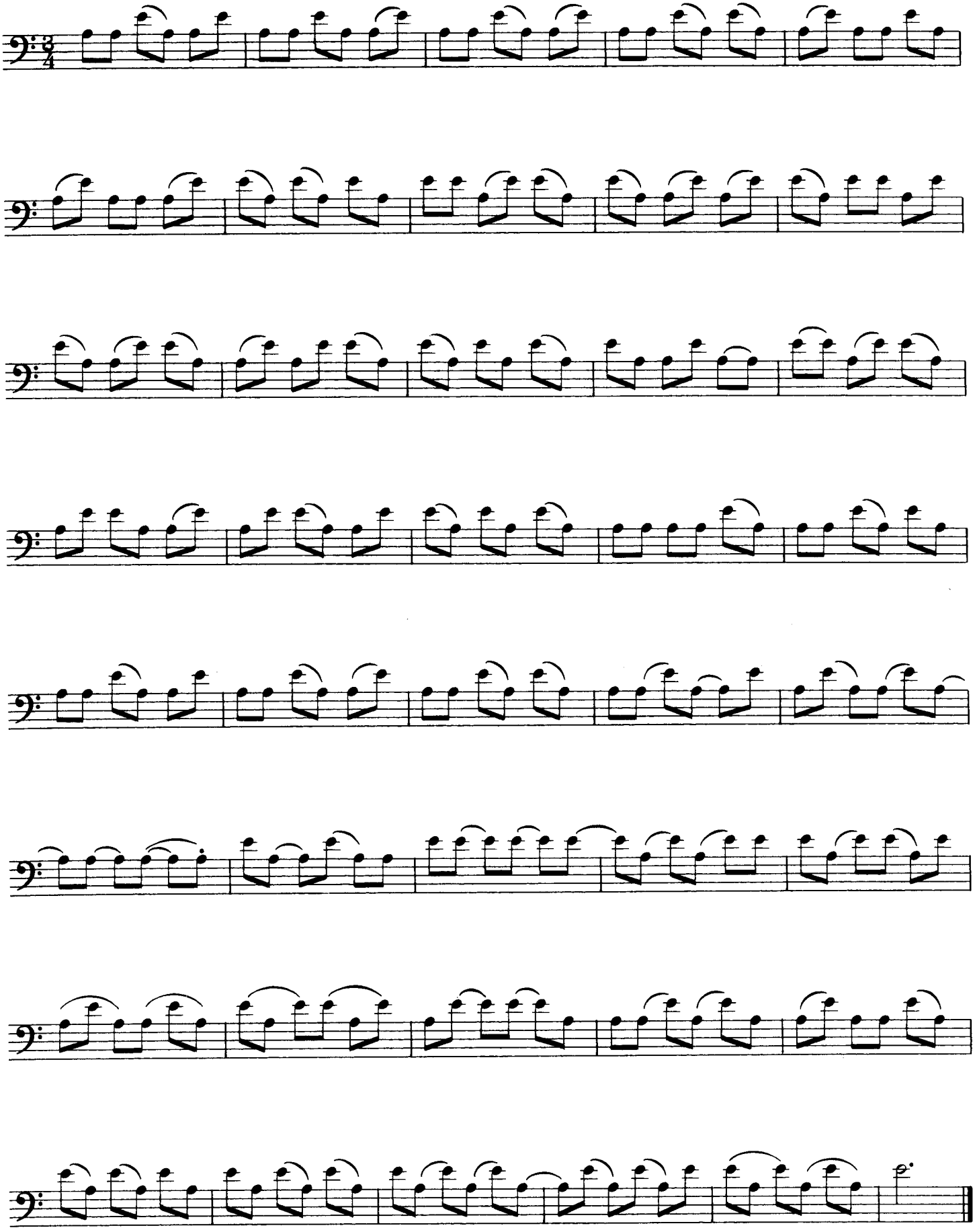

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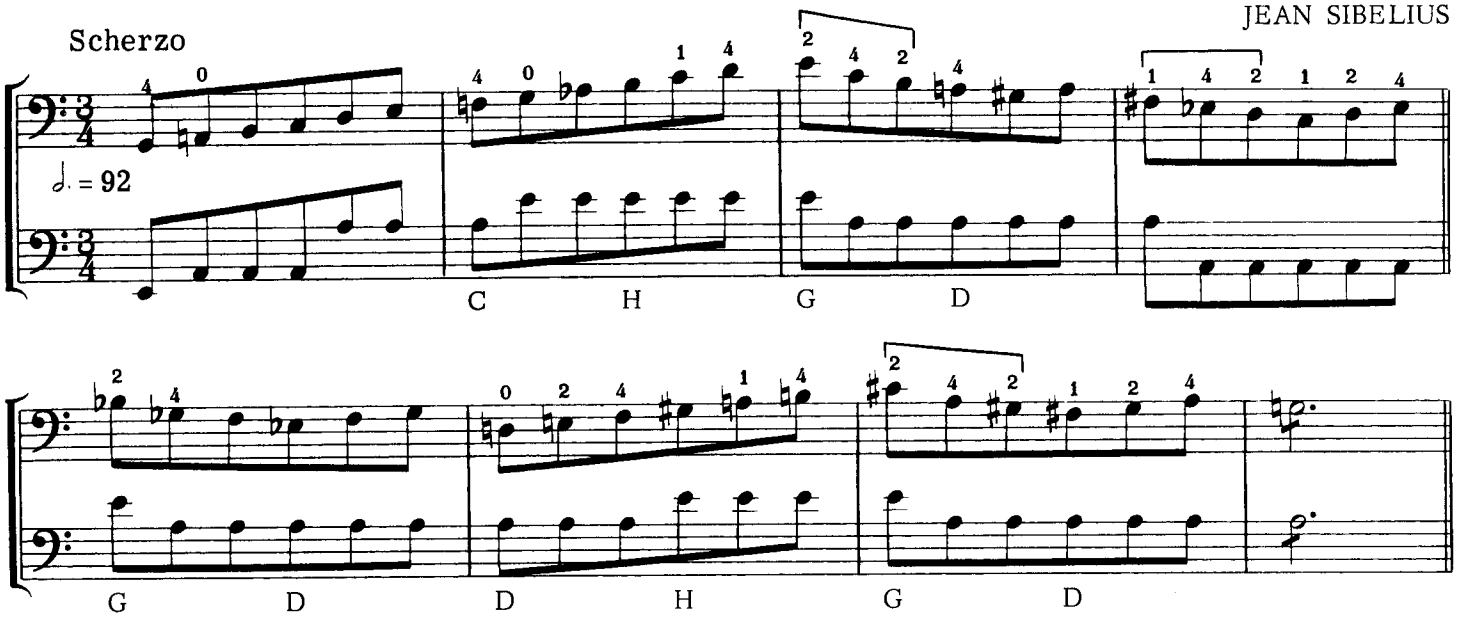

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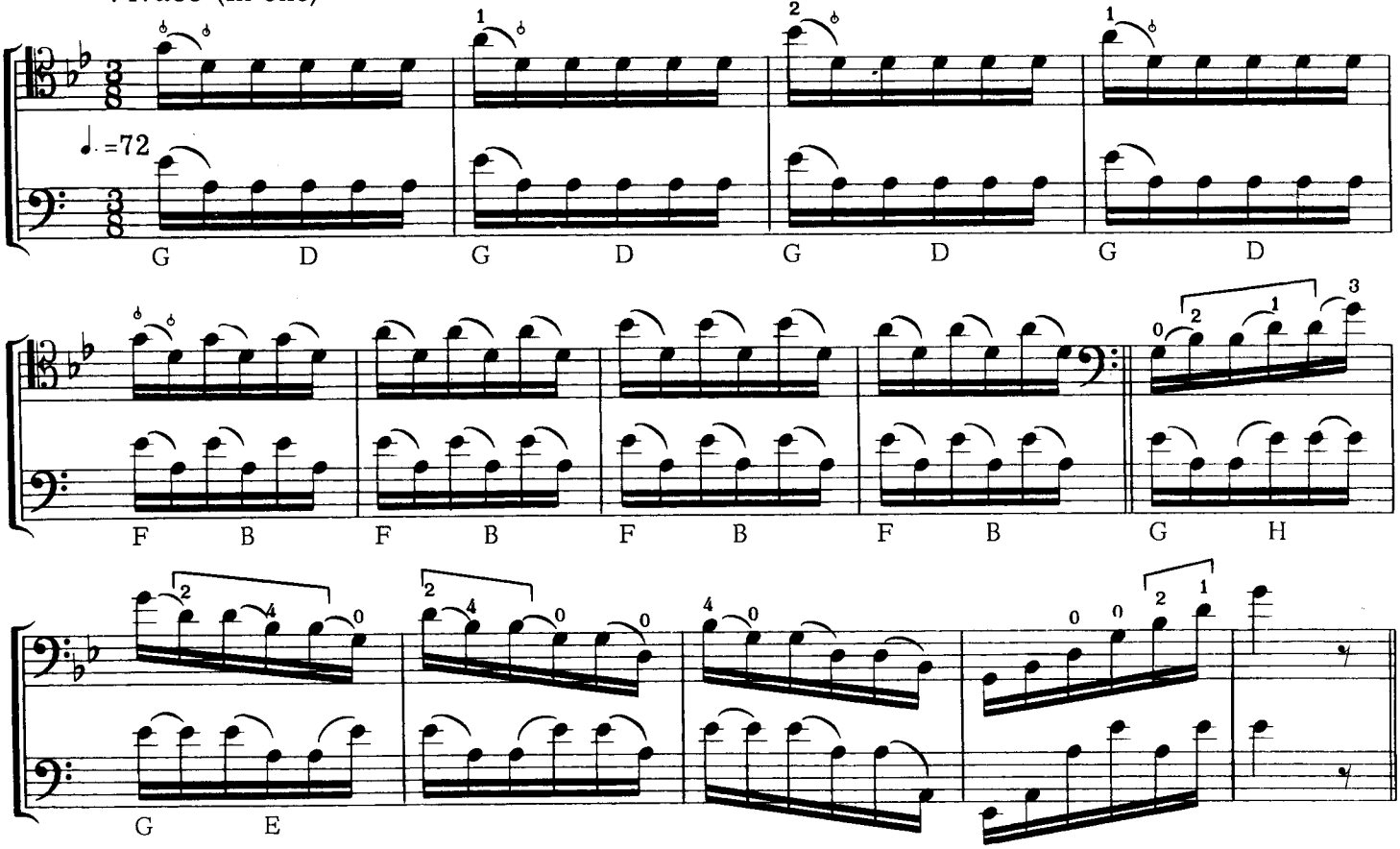

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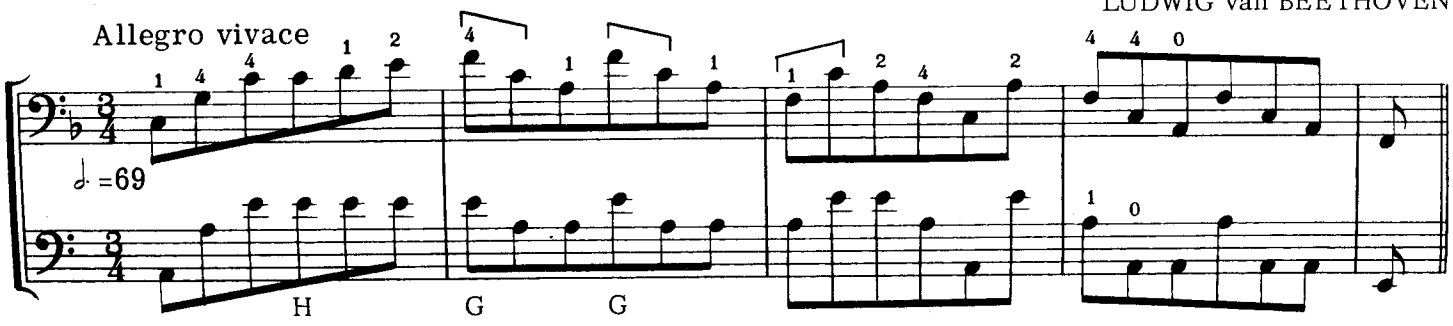

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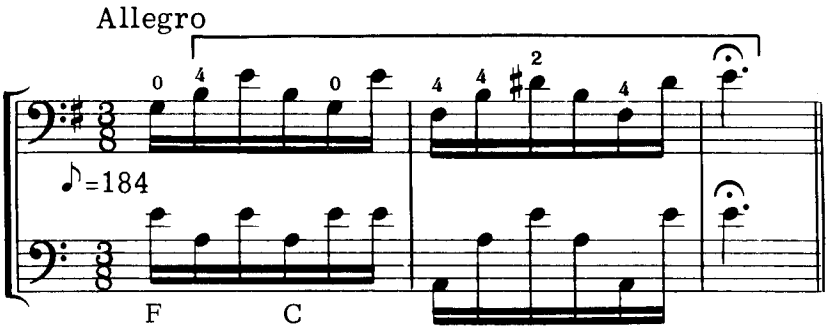

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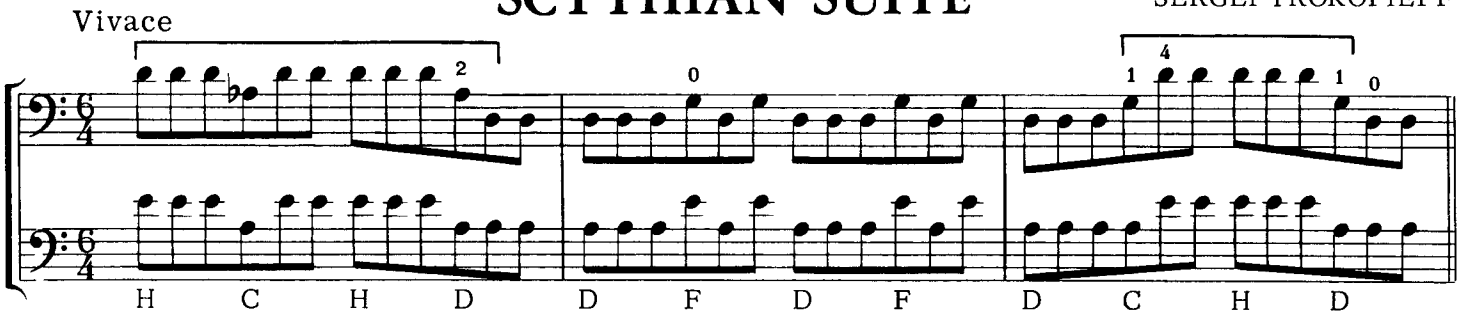

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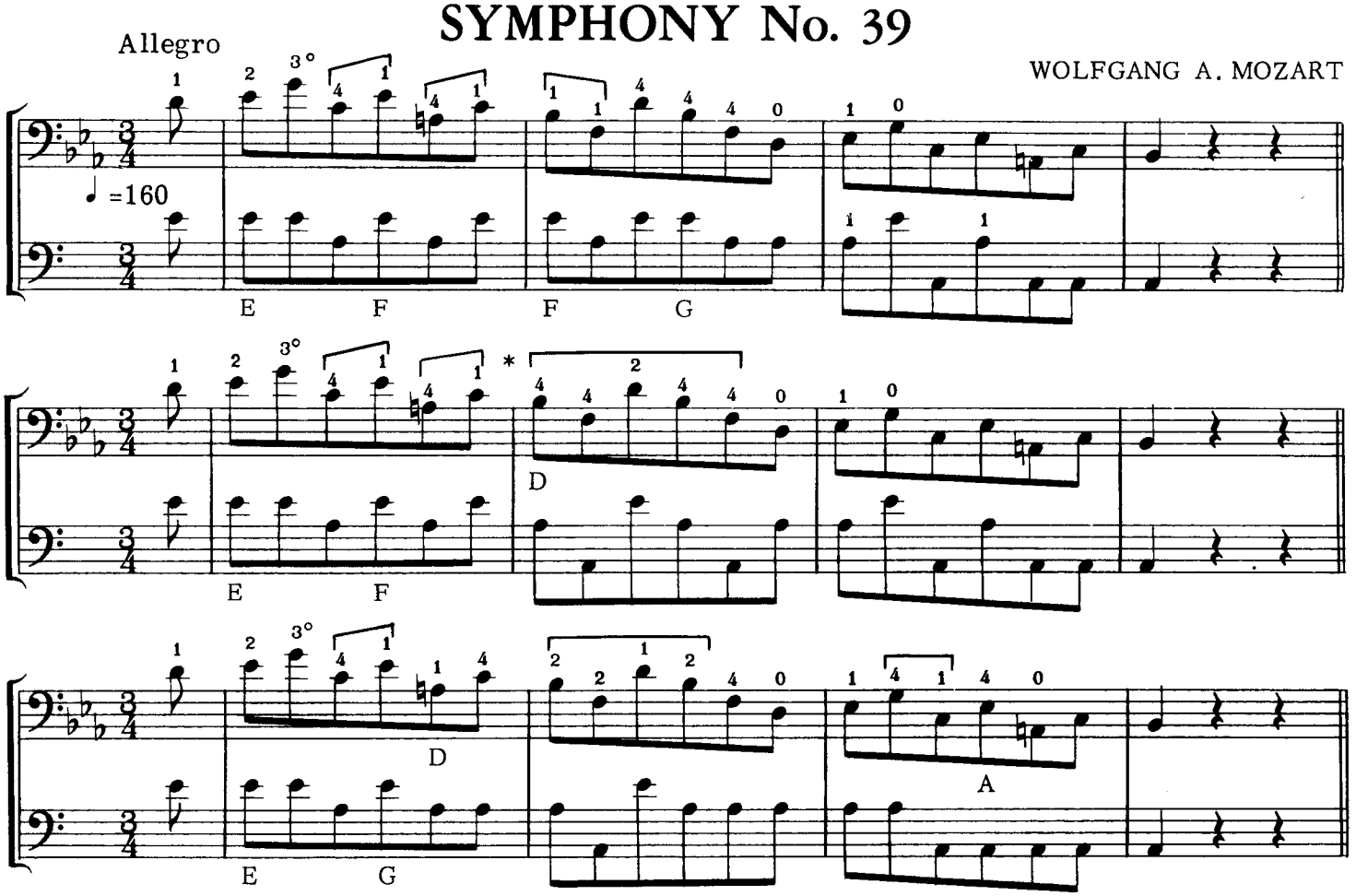
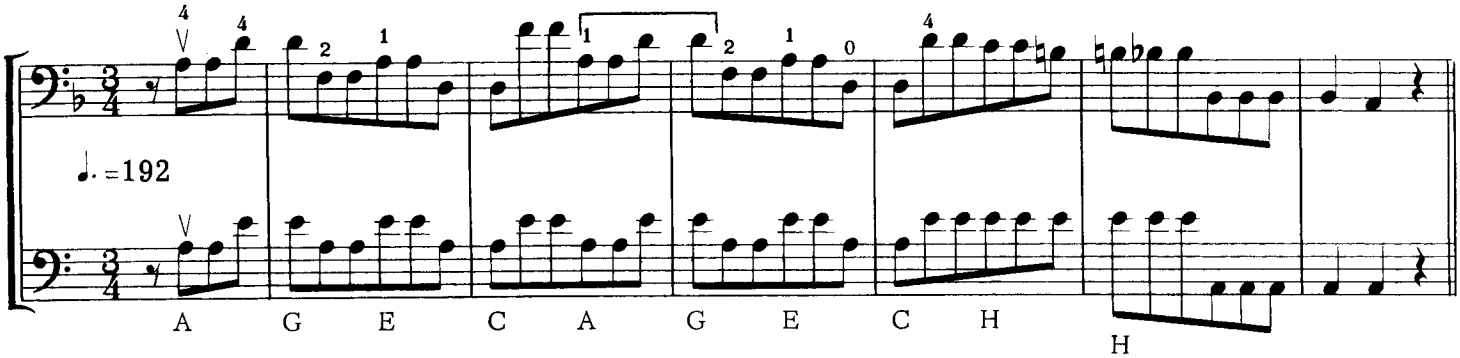


* As illustrated above, a change in fingerings will often induce a change in the bowing patterns. In analyzing the change of patterns one can readily observe, as in the measure indicated by an asterisk, that what is often judged to be an ideal fingering ("ideal" judged by the fact that all the notes of the measure can be played in one position) induces, however, a pattern that presents a complex bowing problem; whereas, in making a move or moves out of position, or even in preferring an open string, very often will induce a sequence of patterns whose similarity and familiarity will afford the passages to be played with greater fluidity.

SYMPHONY No. 9

Presto

LUDWIG van BEETHOVEN



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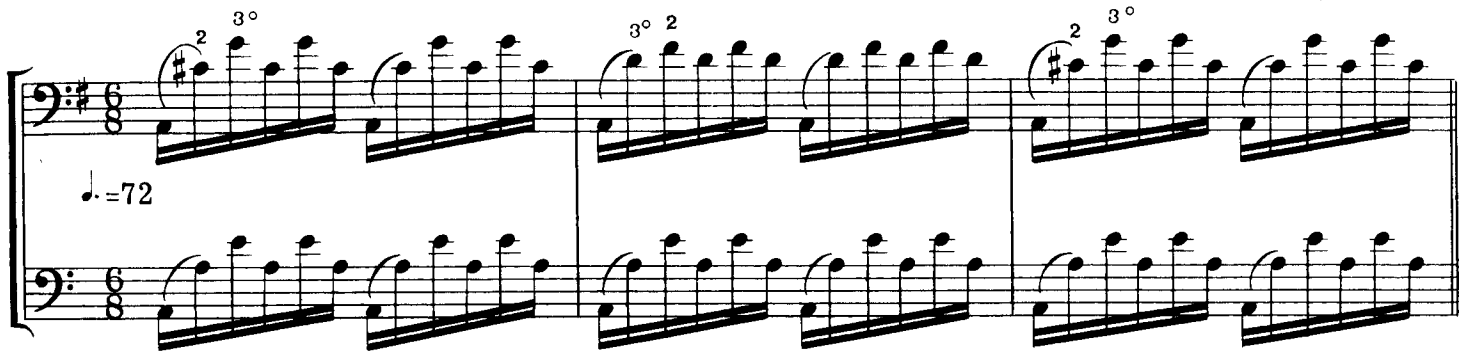

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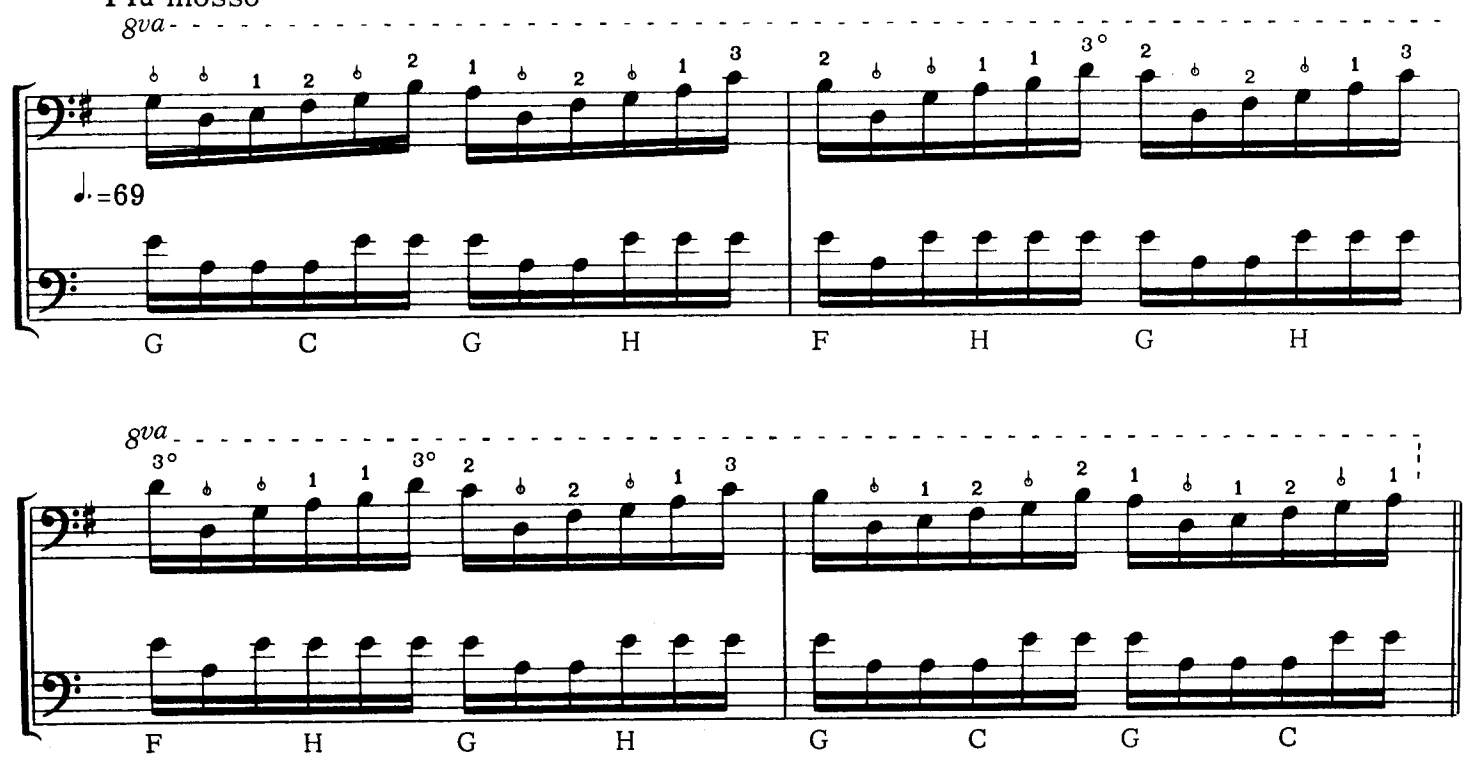

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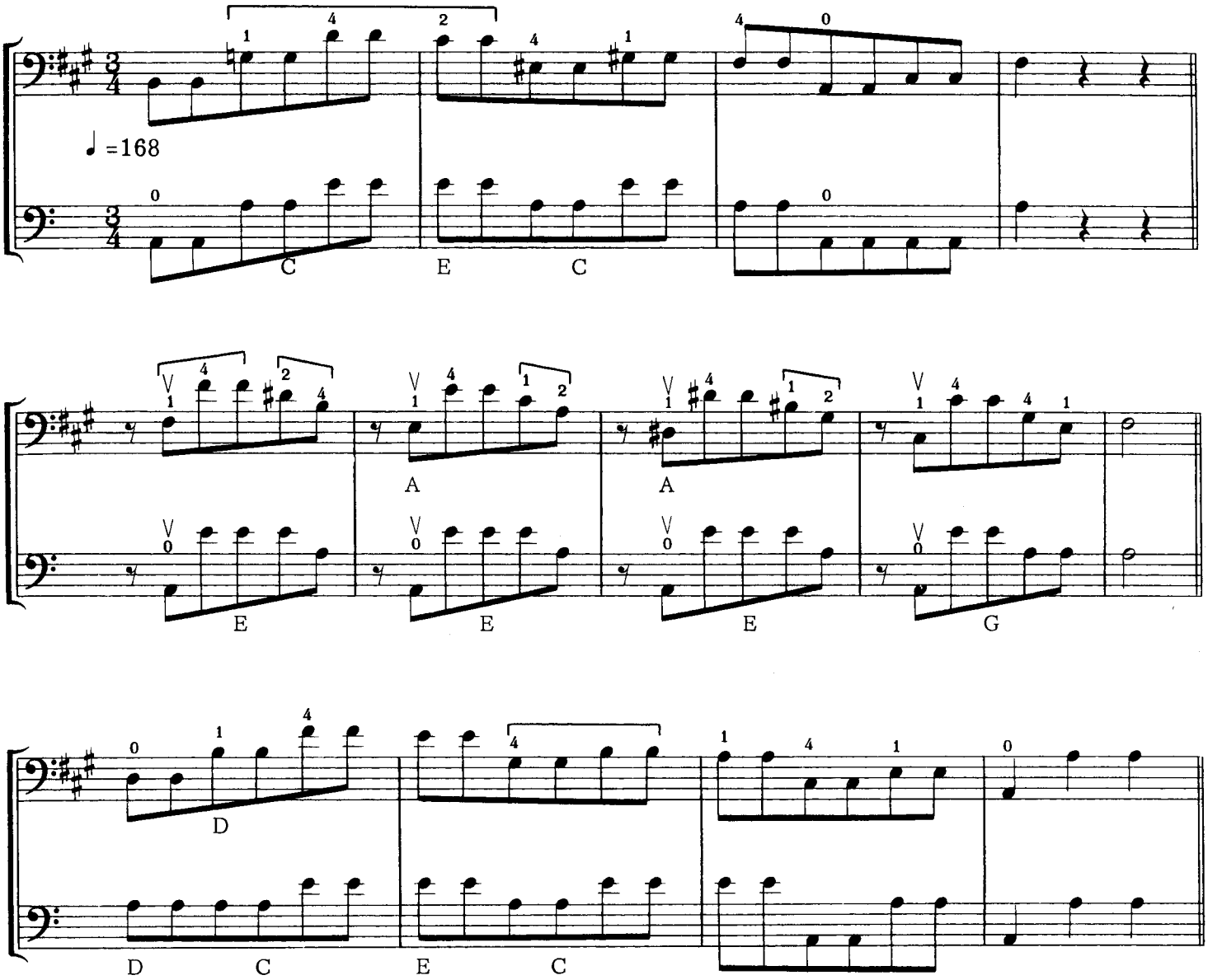
Allegro assai

JOSEPH HAYDN



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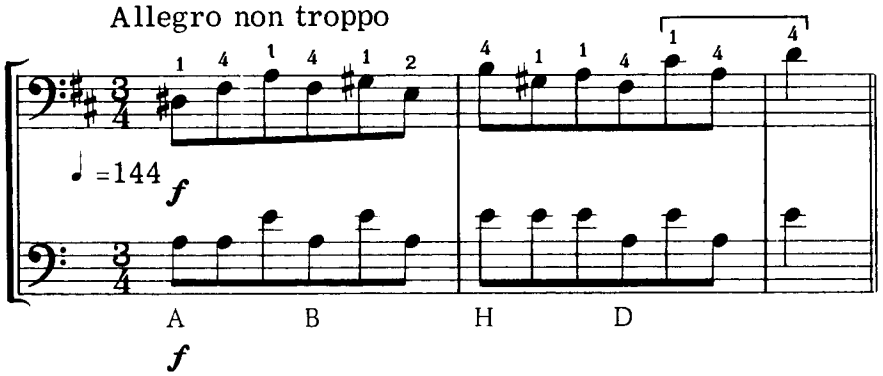

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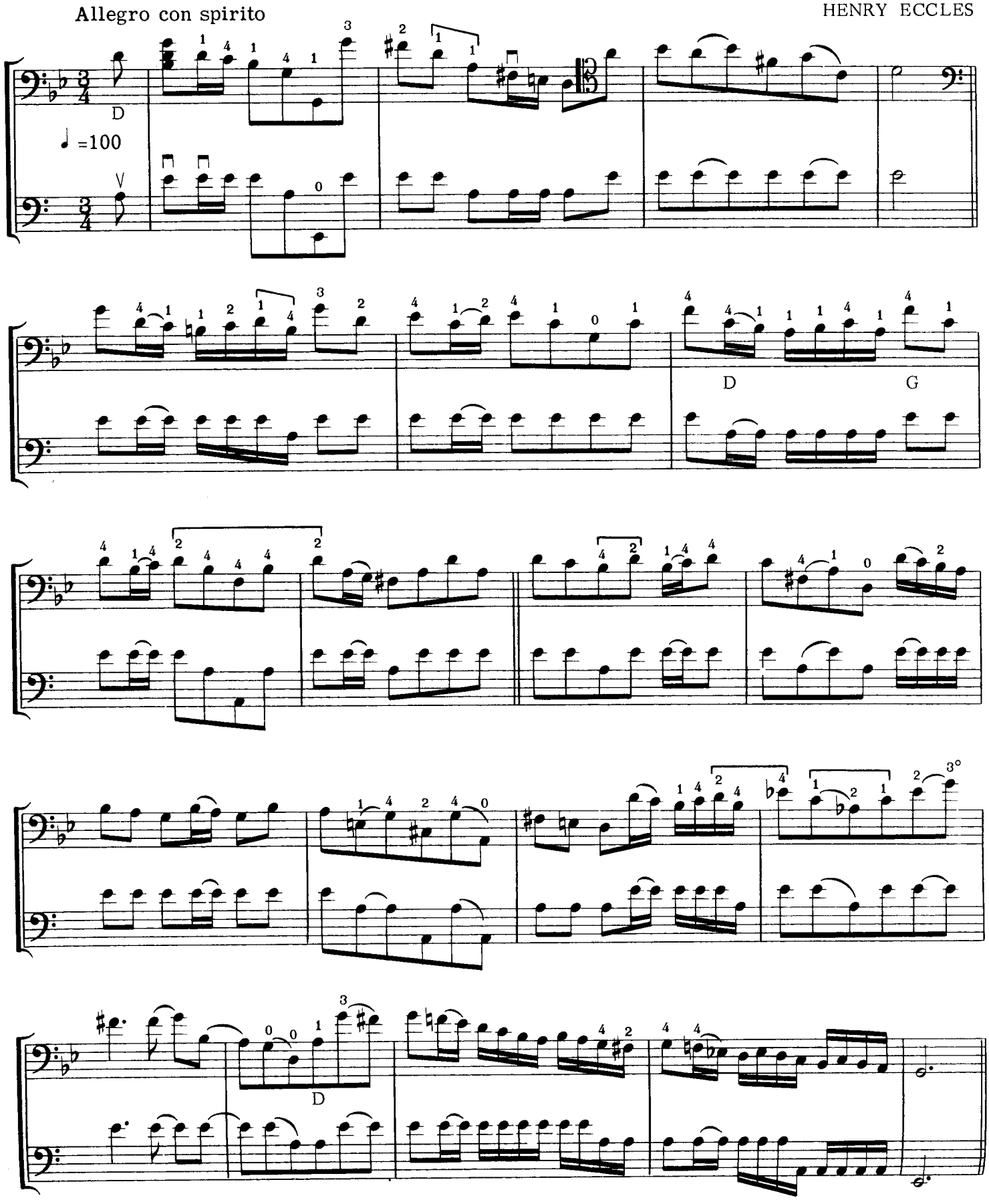
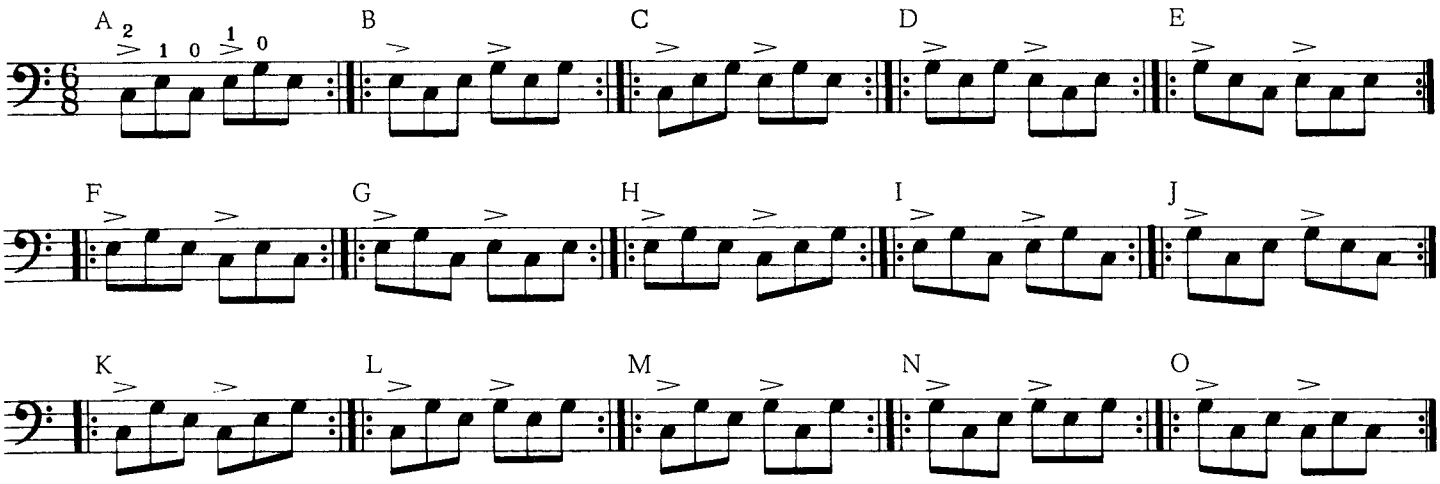


SECTION V

Patterns, Etudes and Excerpts relating to three and four strings

BOWING DRILLS FOR THE UPPER THREE STRINGS



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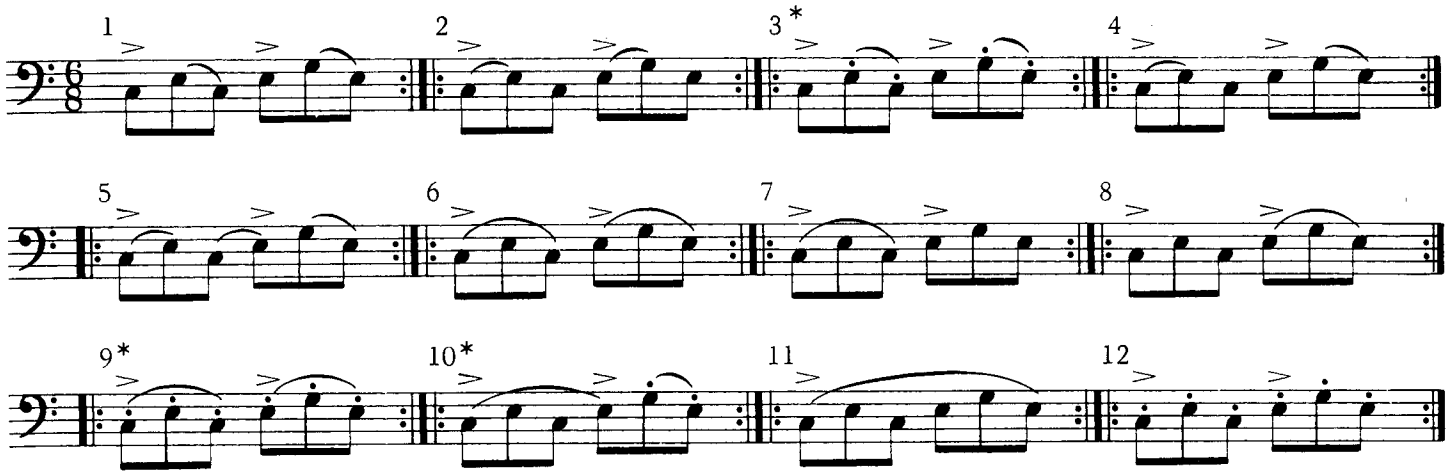

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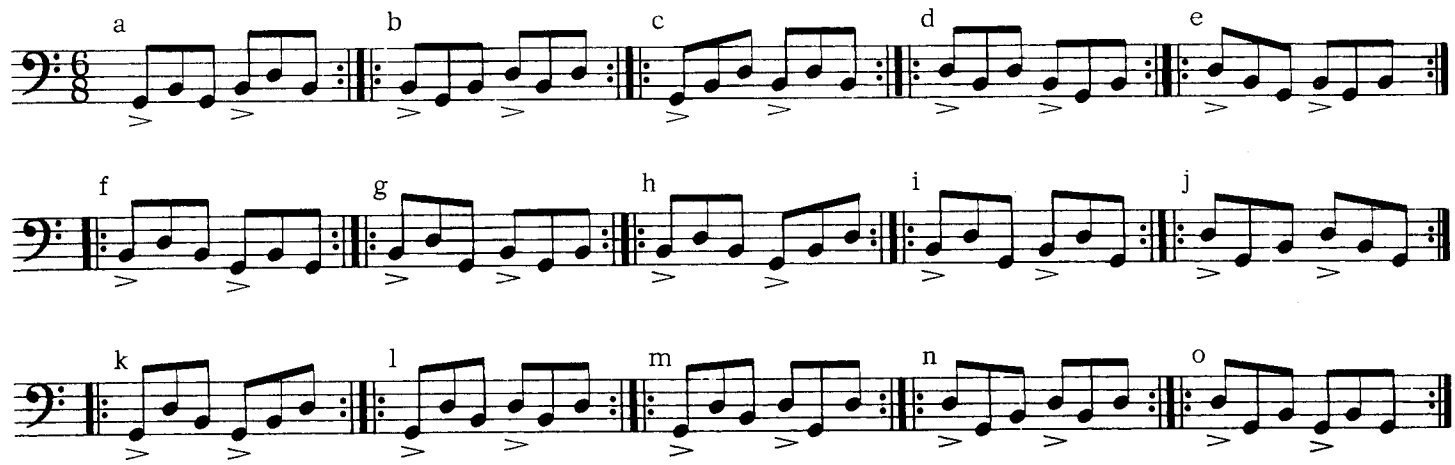
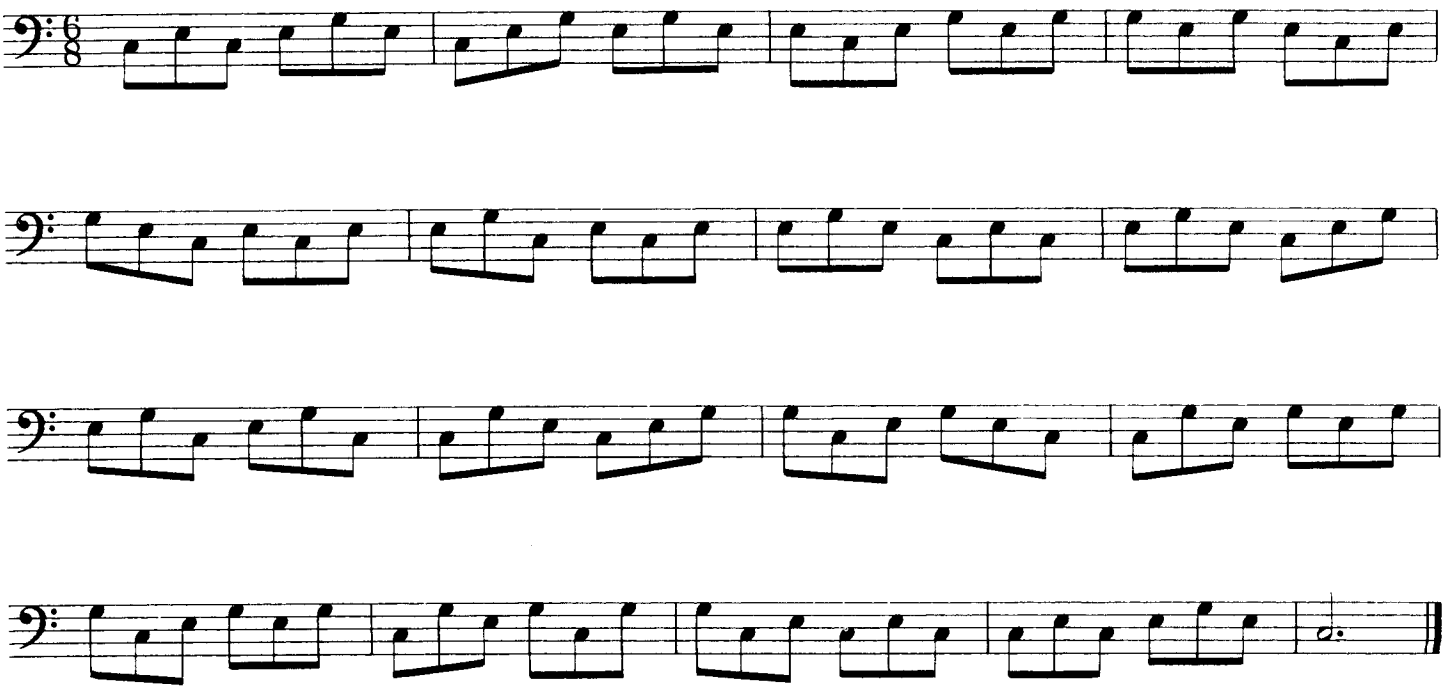


ETUDE

UPPER THREE STRINGS

Presto ♩. = 138 *(spiccato)*



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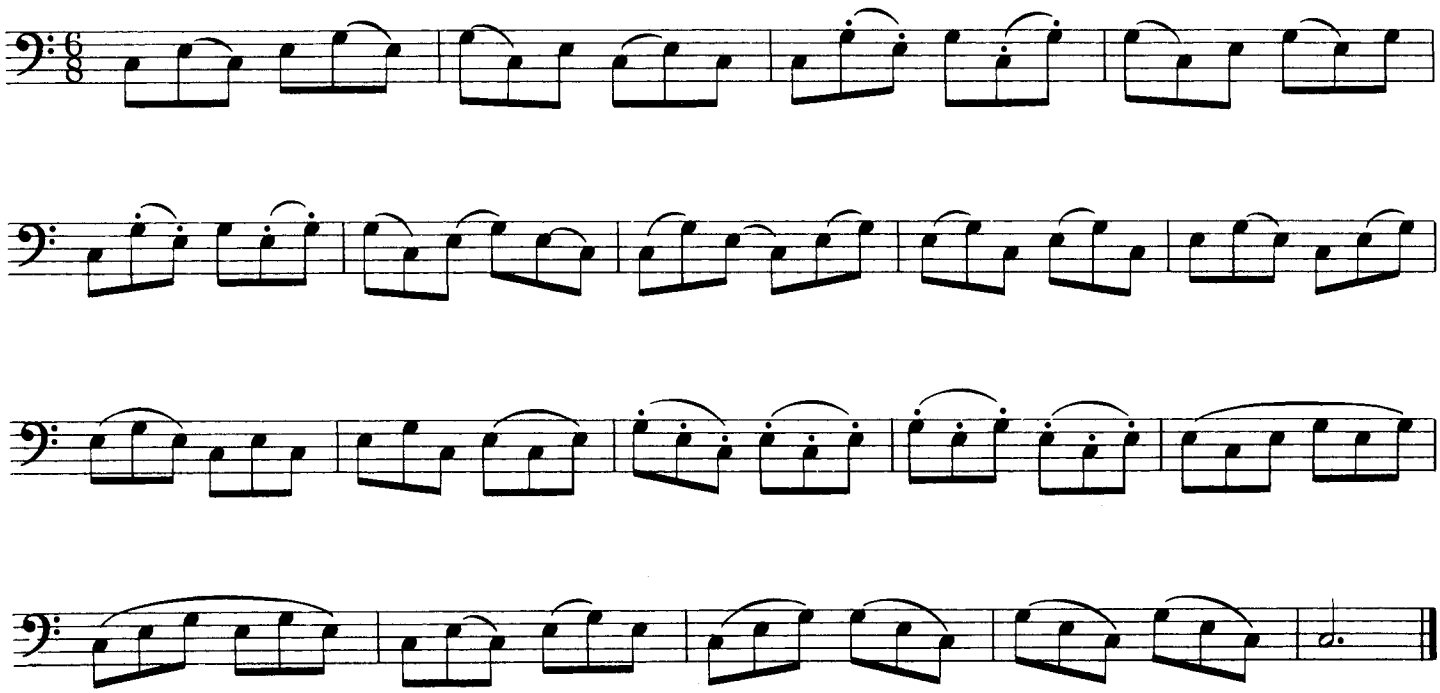
BOWINGS FOR THE UPPER THREE STRINGS

Moderato ♩. = 100



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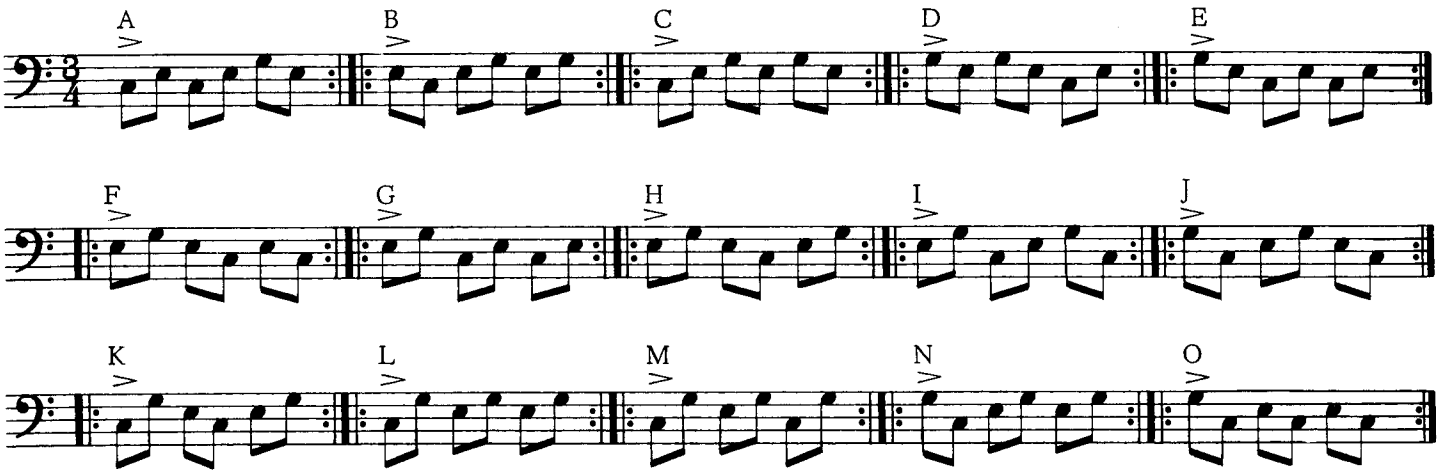

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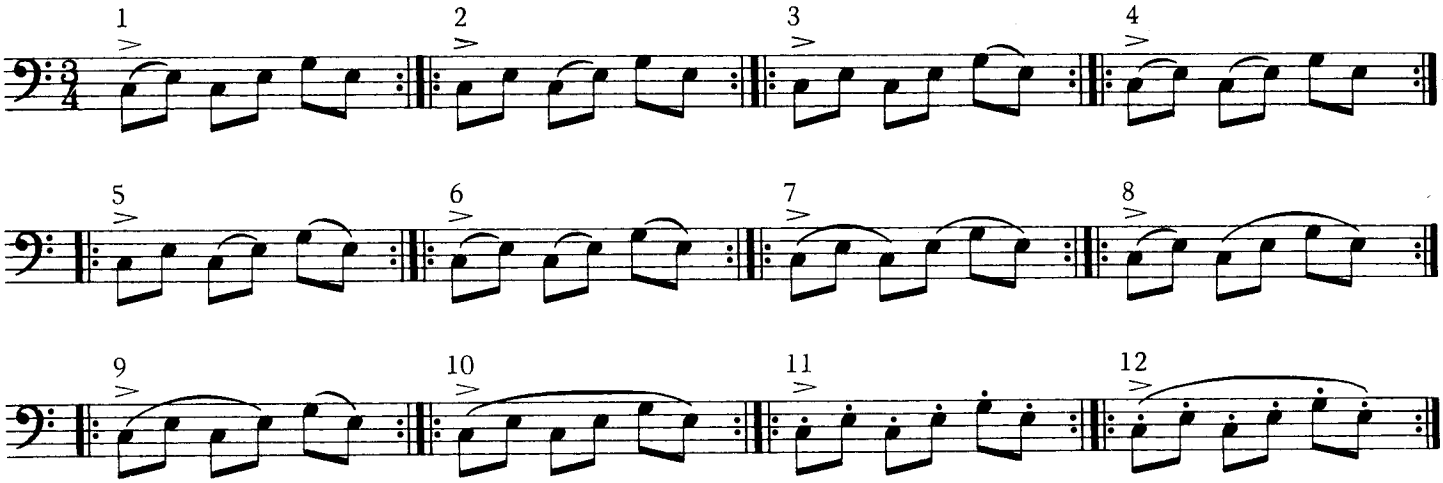

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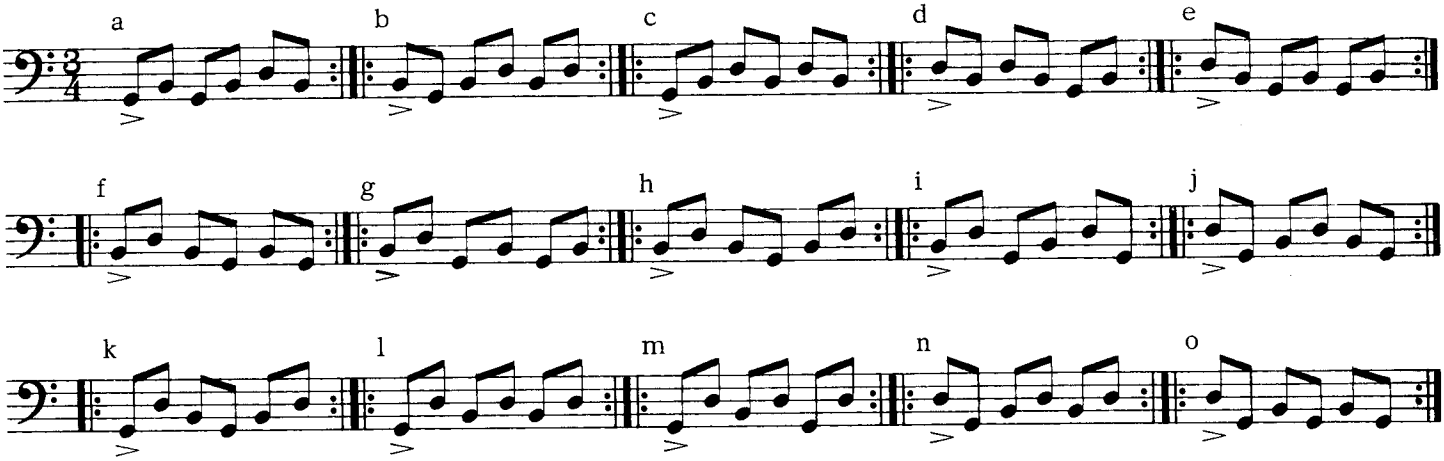

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IN THREE QUARTER METER - UPPER THREE STRINGS

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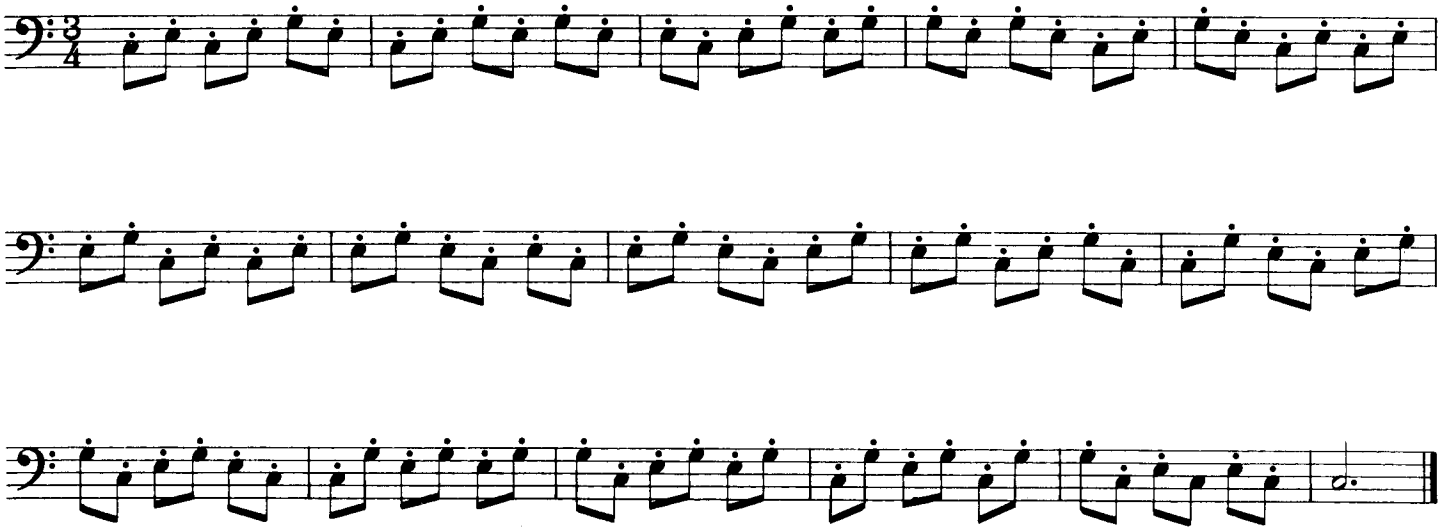

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BOWINGS

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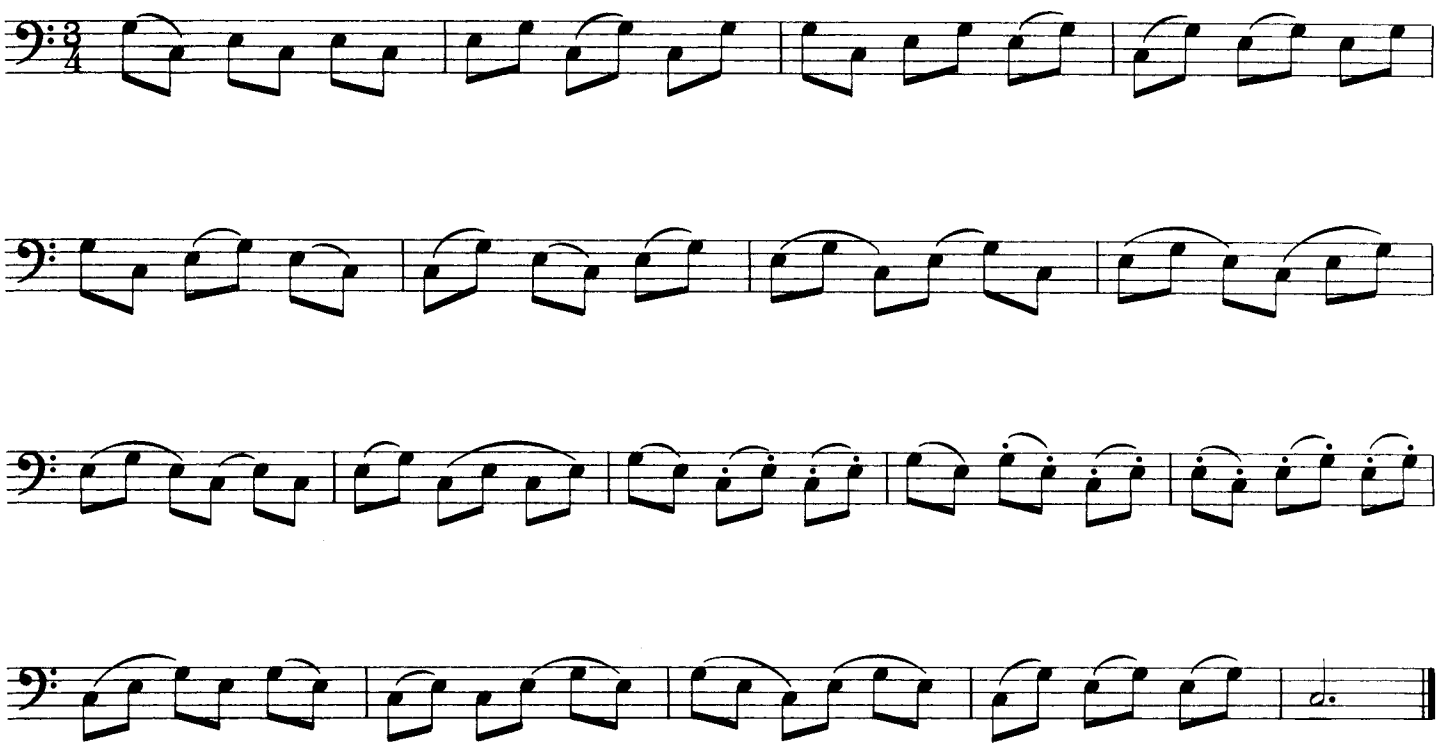

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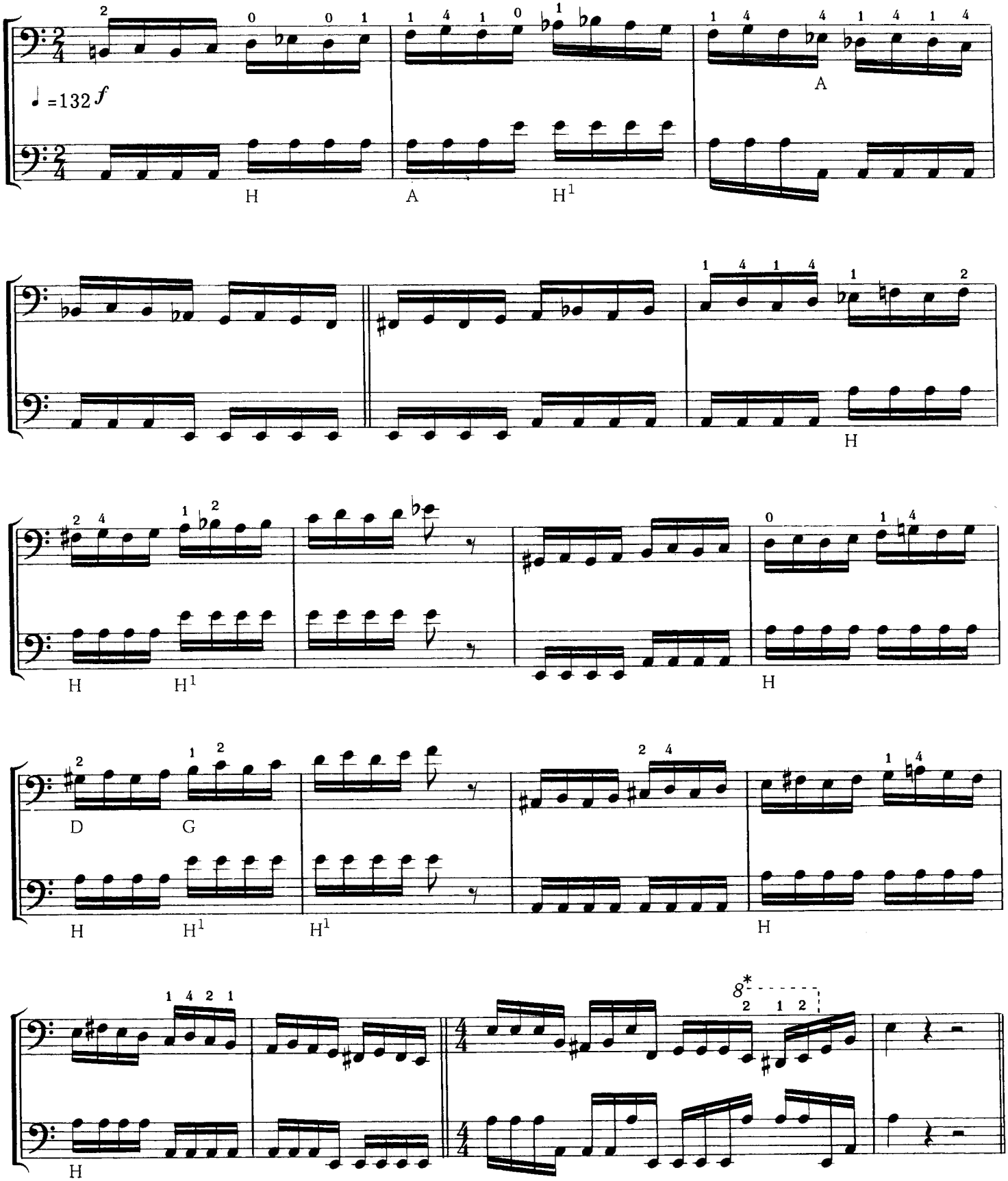
JEAN SIBELIUS

Scherzo - allegro molto



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JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH

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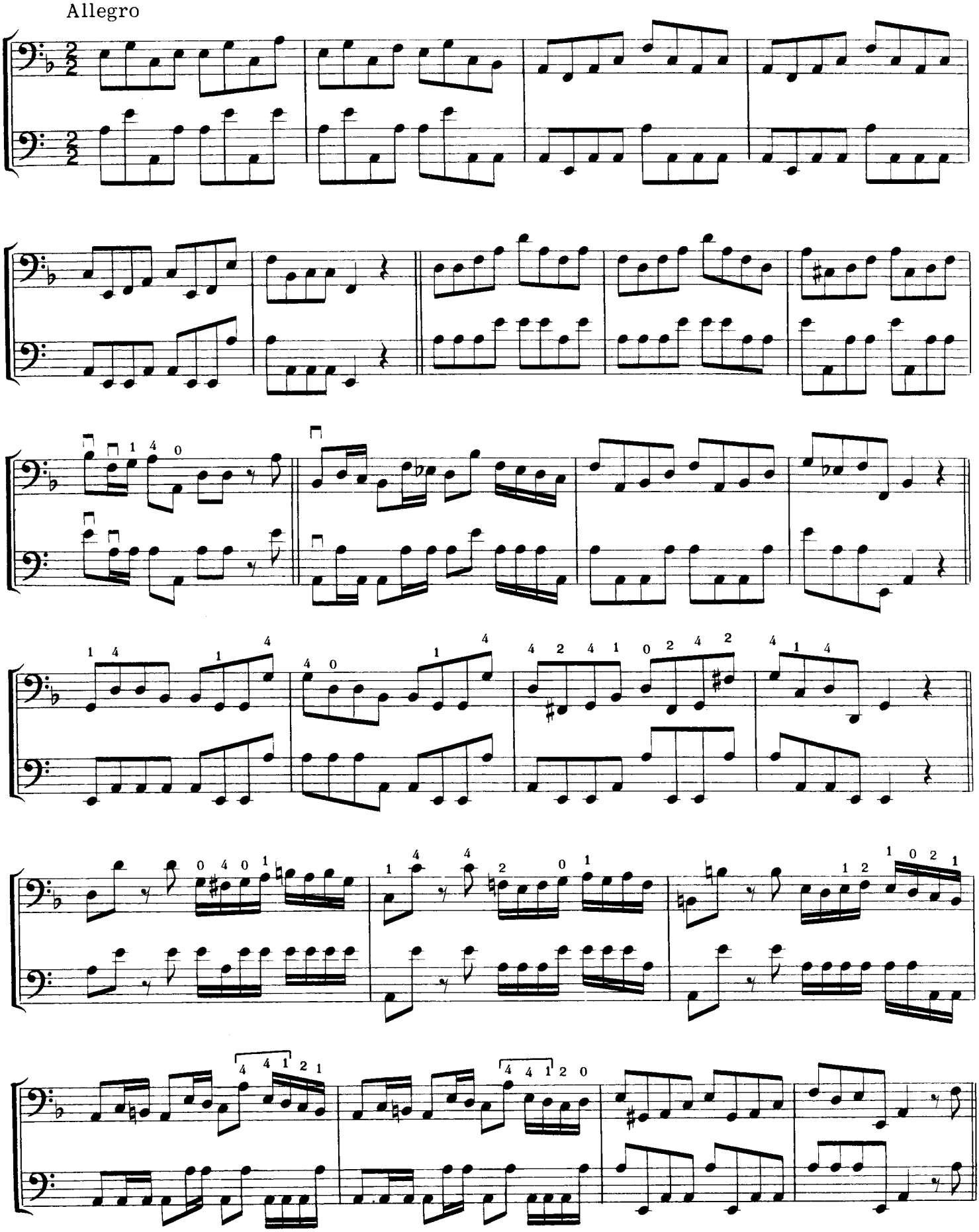

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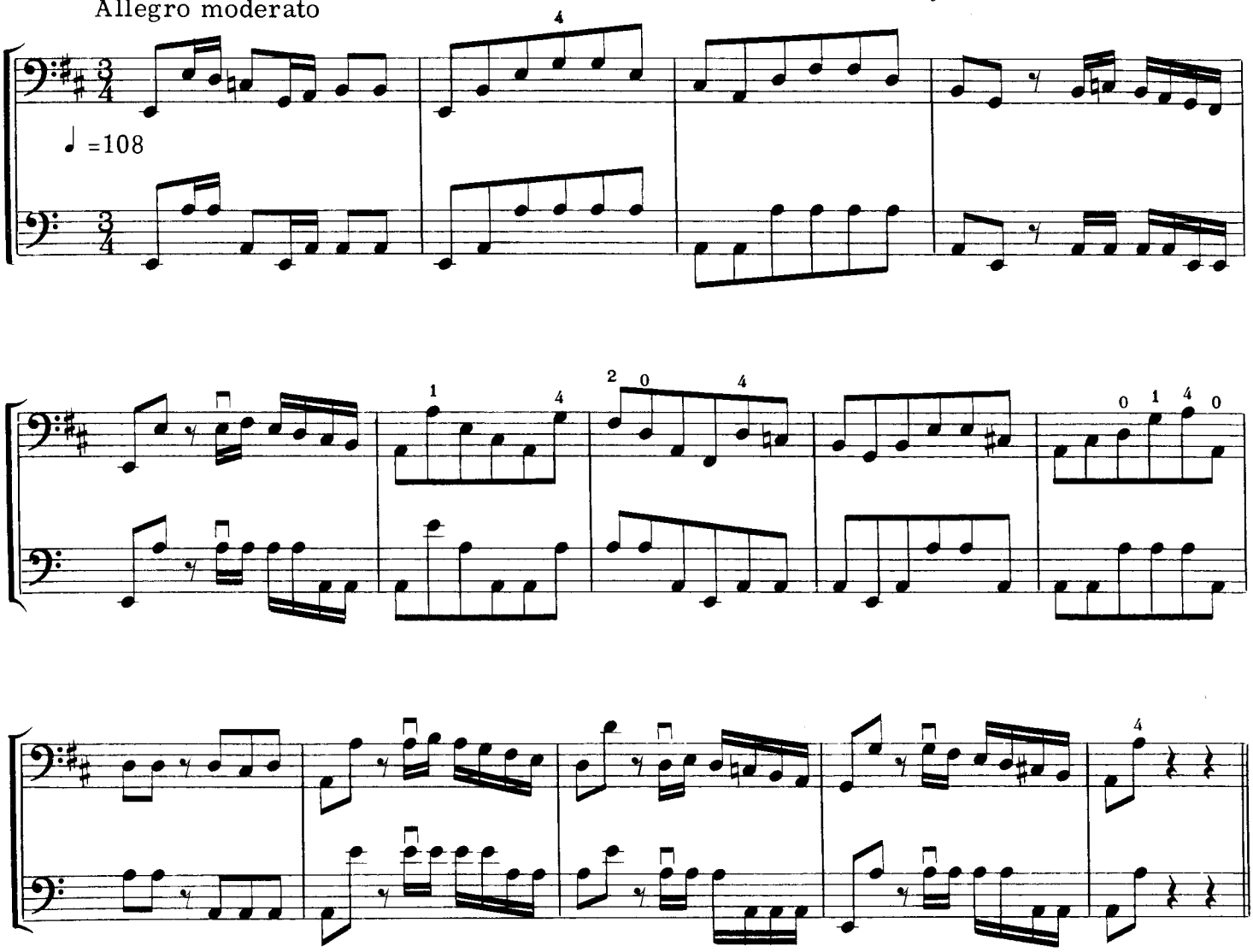

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LUDWIG van BEETHOVEN

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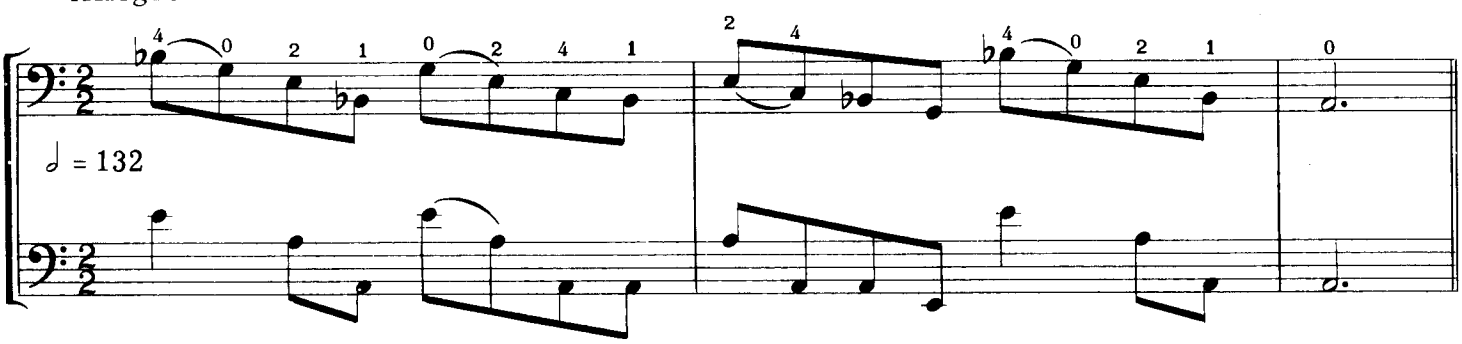

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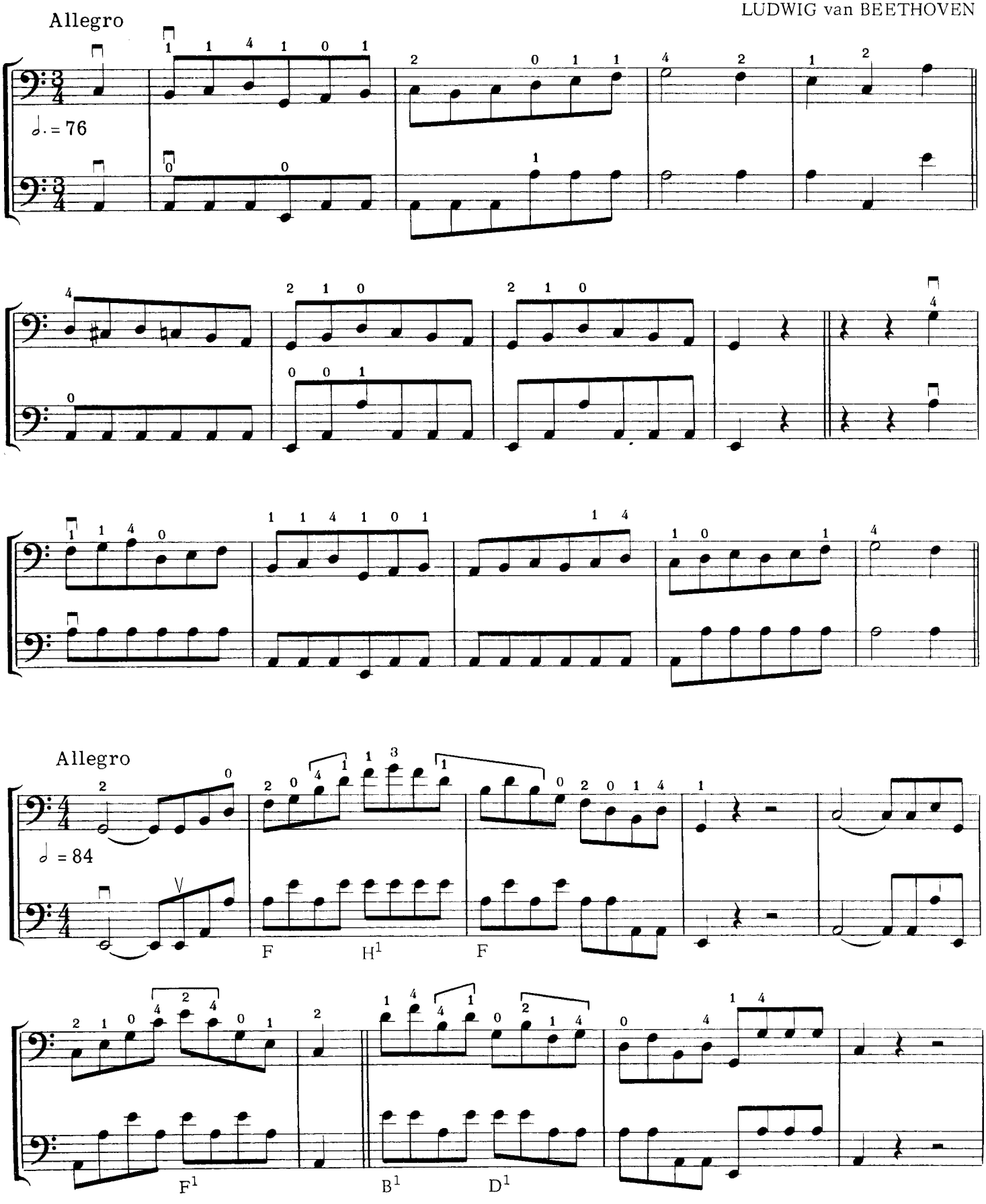

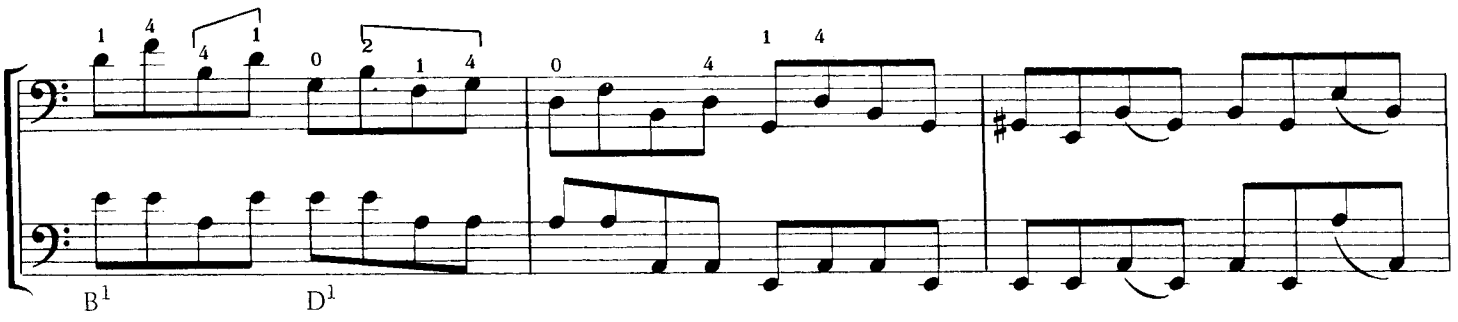

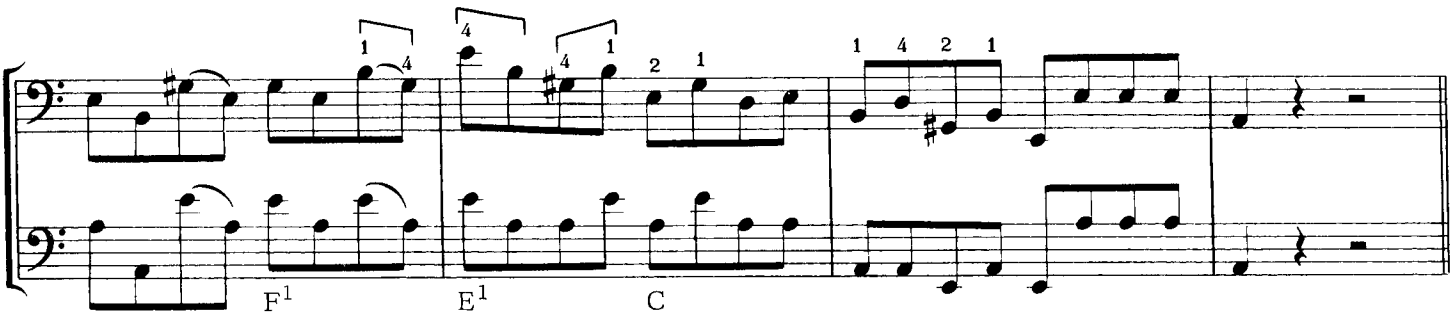

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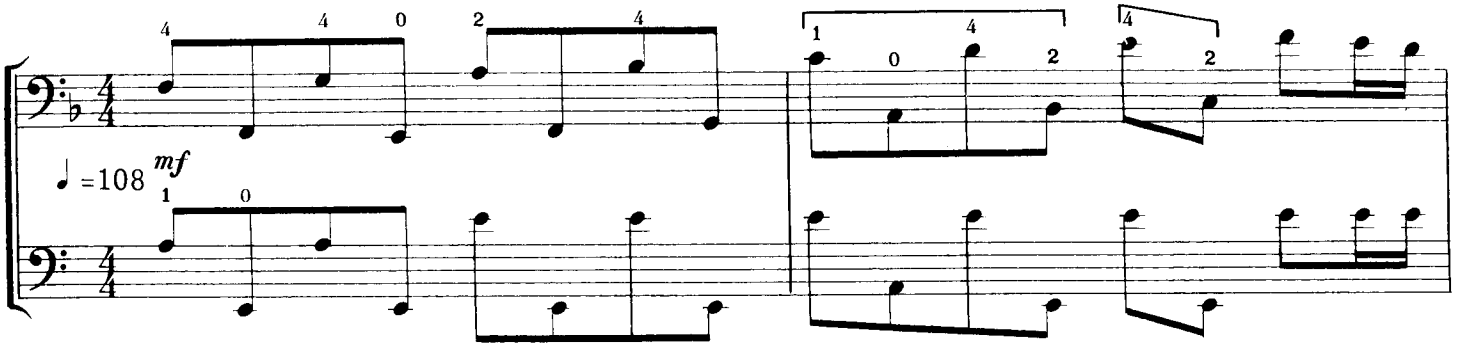

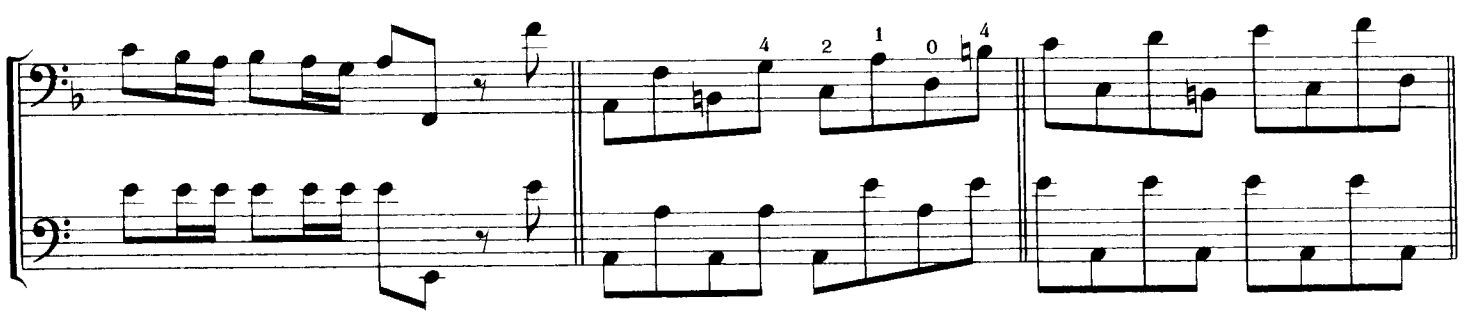

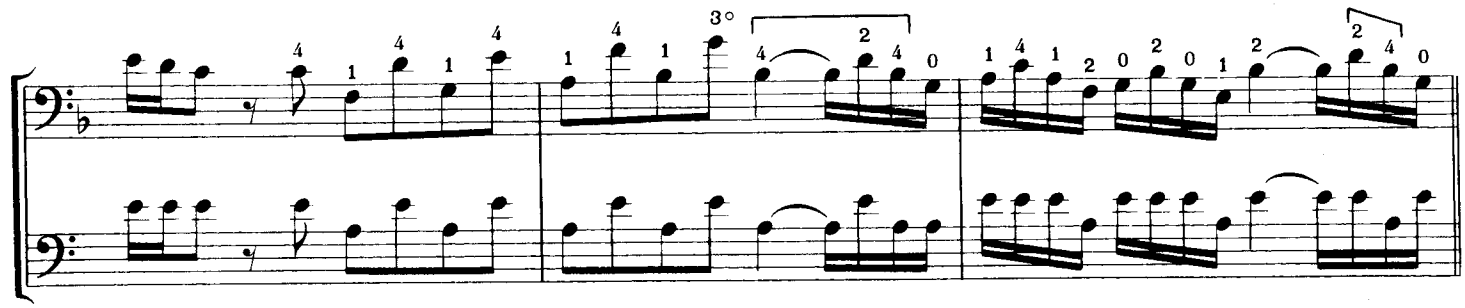

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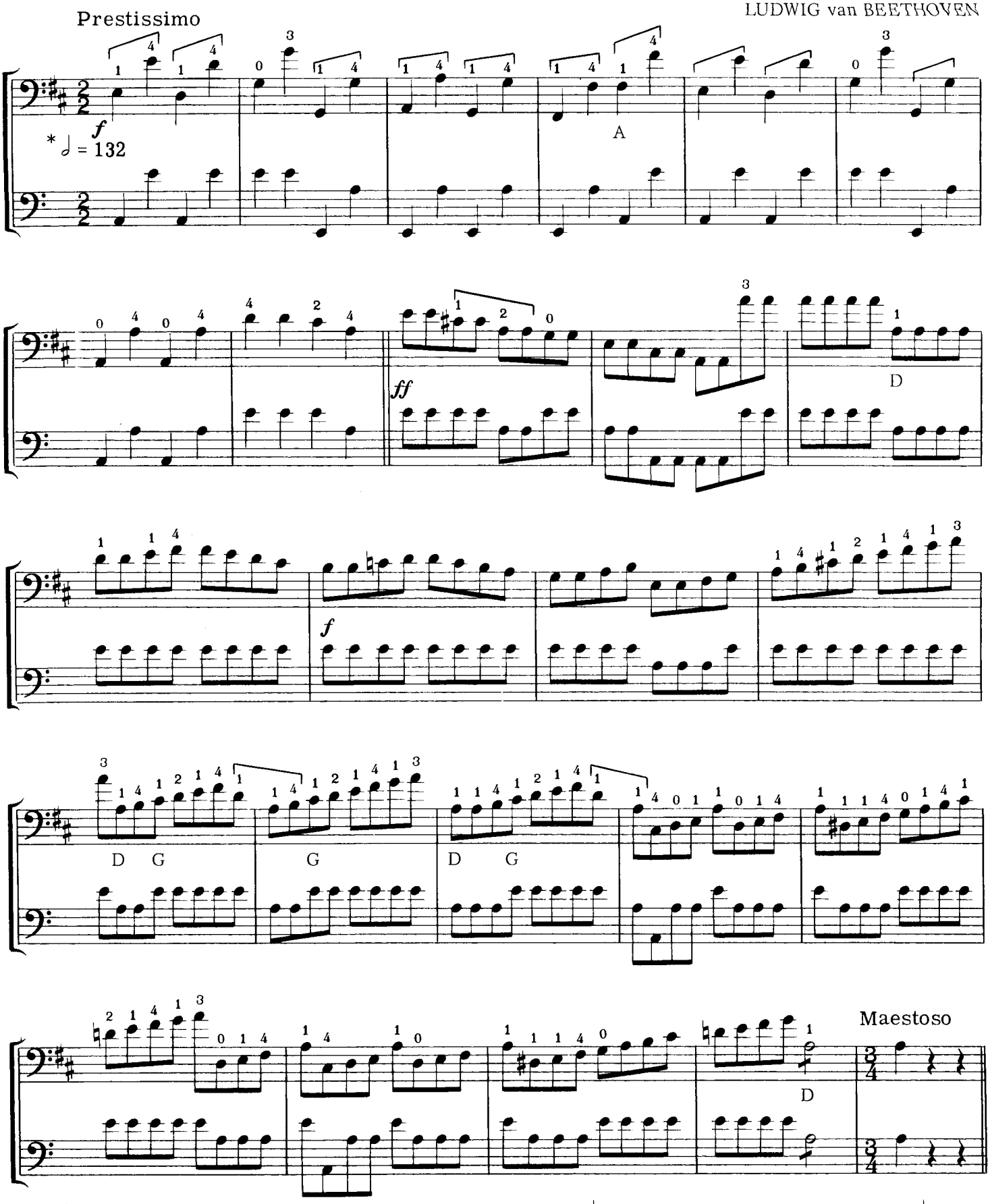
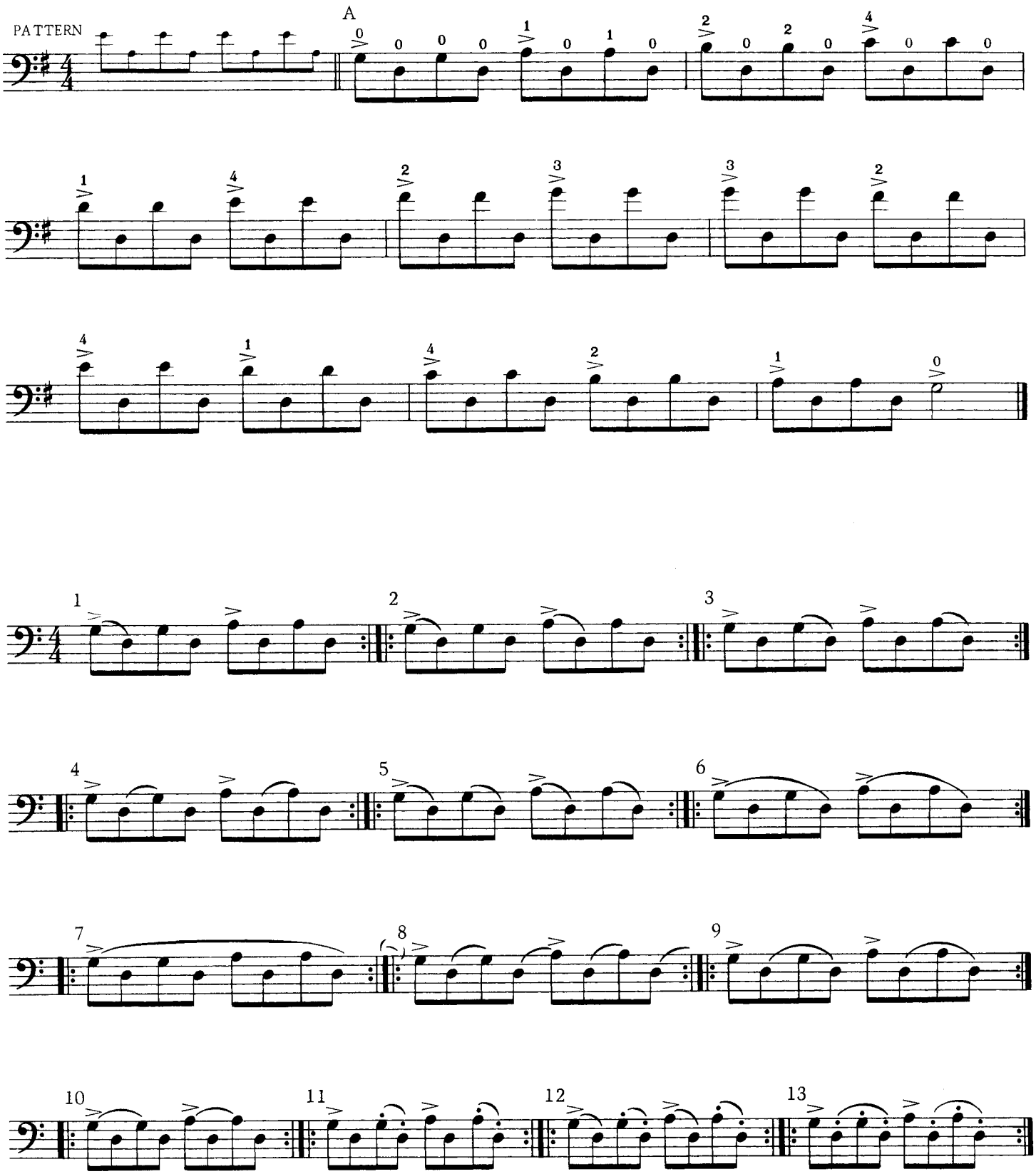


*Begin the study of this excerpt at the metronome mark ♩ = 112; advance gradually through ♩ = 116, ♩ = 120, ♩ = 126 to the final tempo indication by Beethoven of ♩ = 132.

SECTION VI

BOWING DRILLS FOR THE UPPER TWO STRINGS



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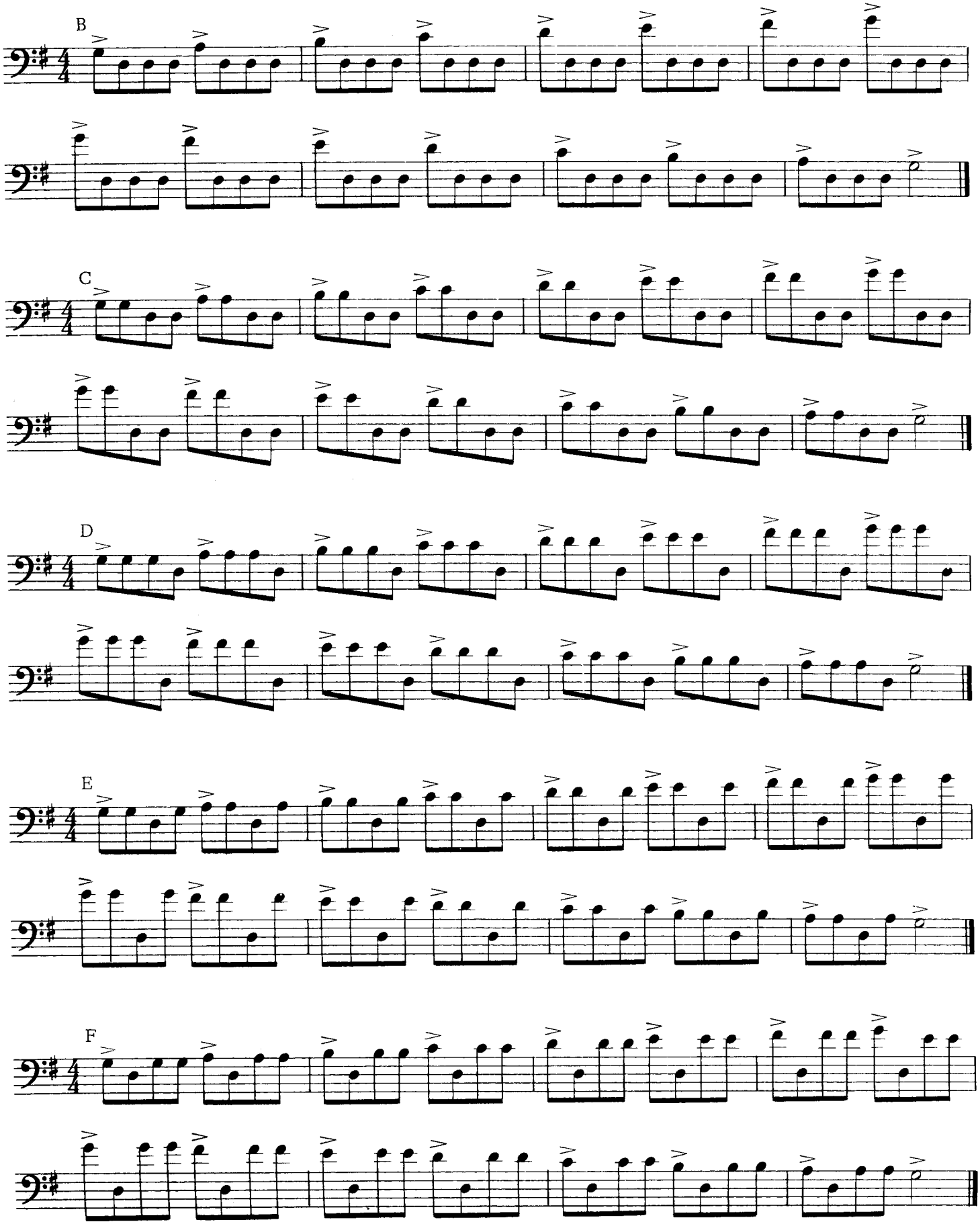

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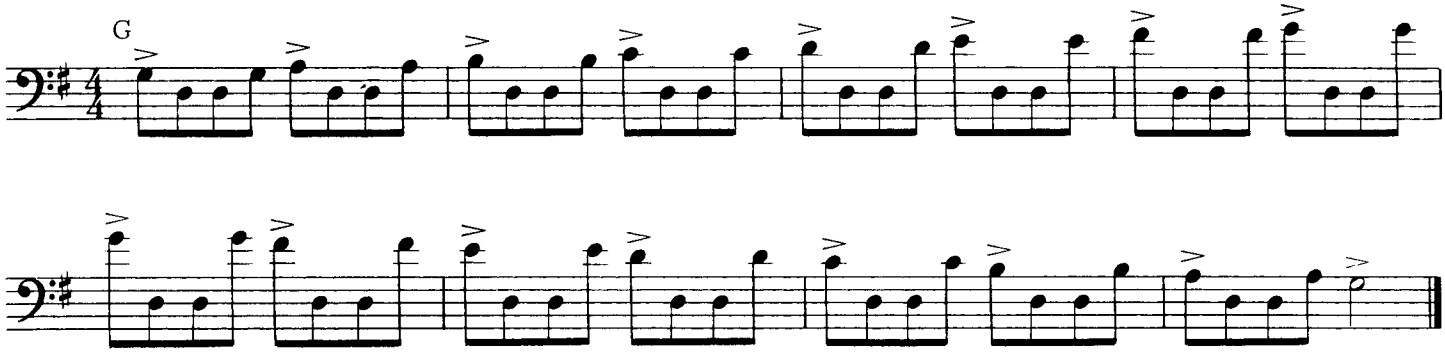

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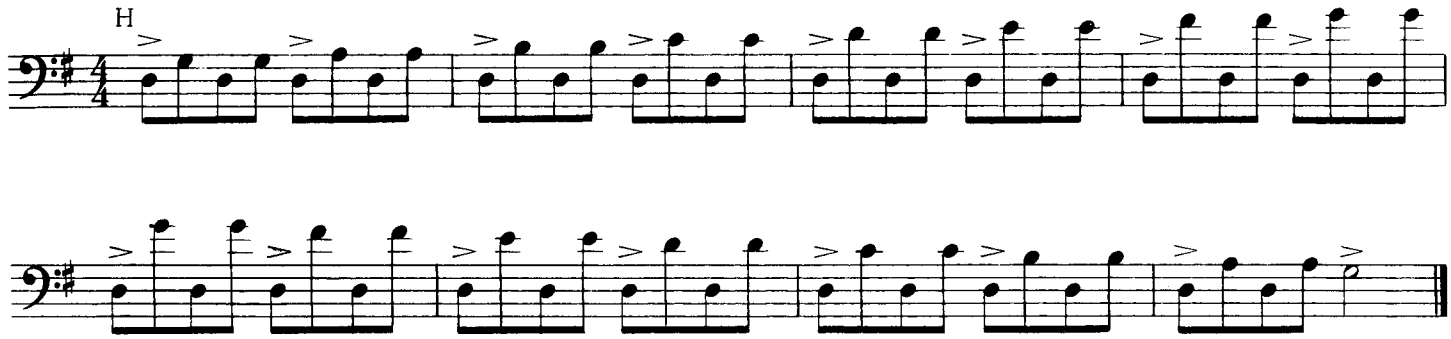

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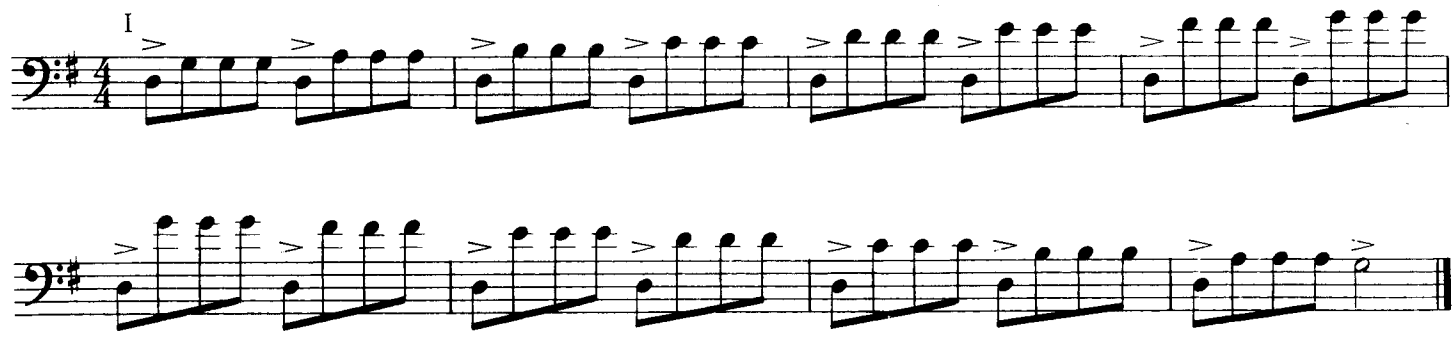

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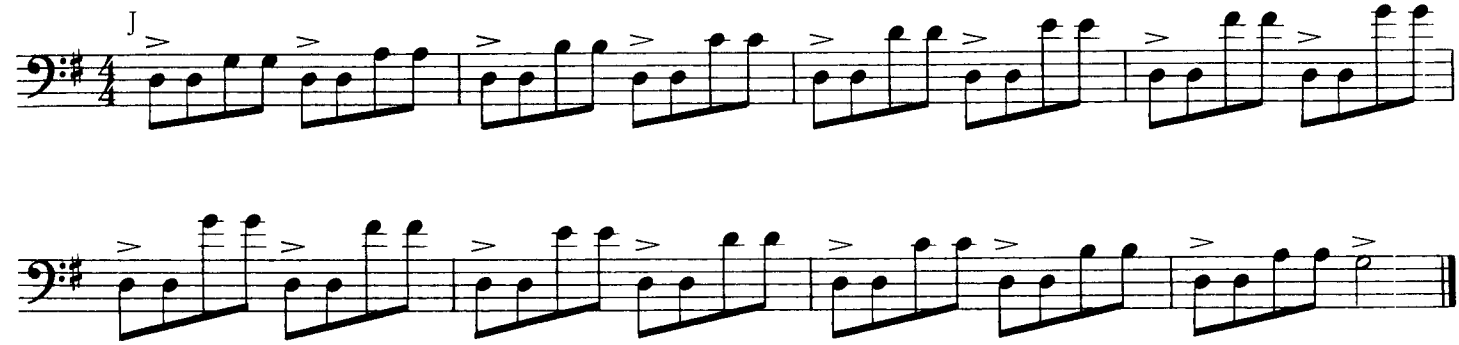

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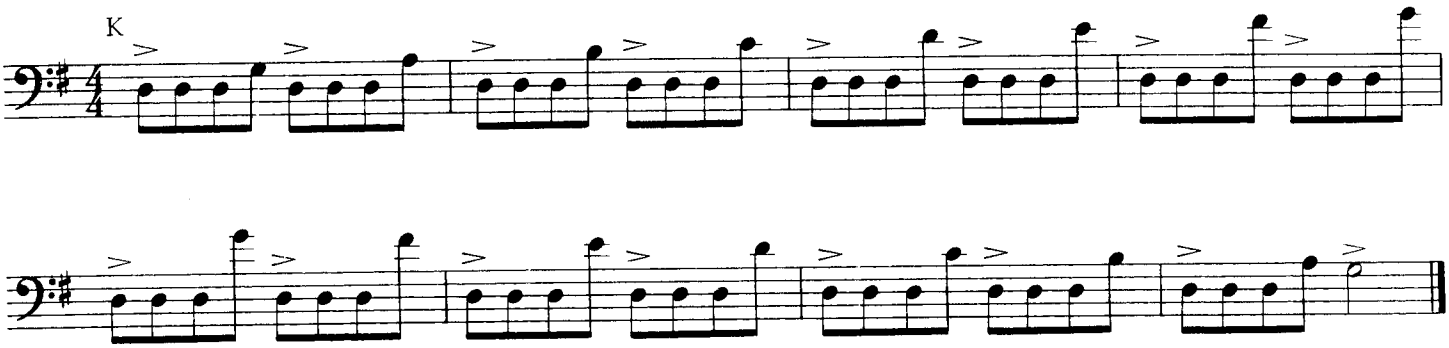

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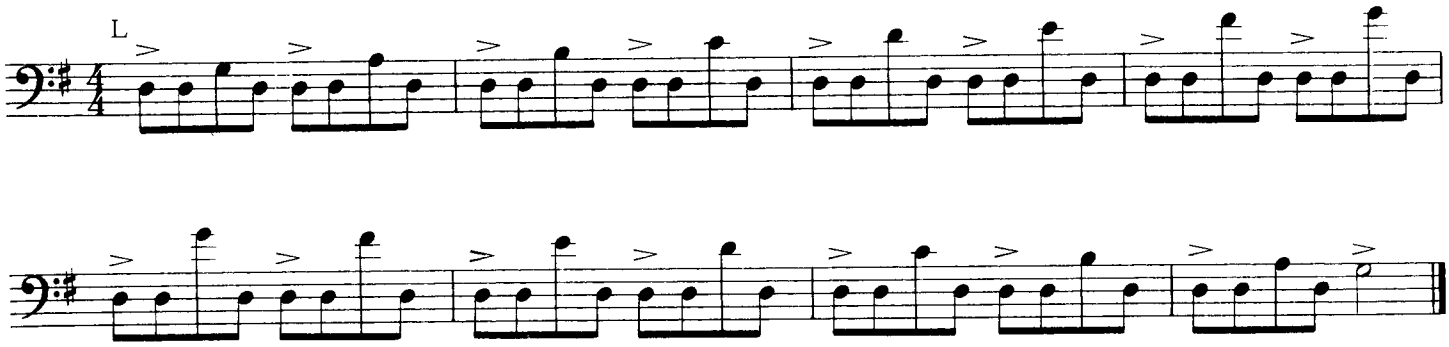

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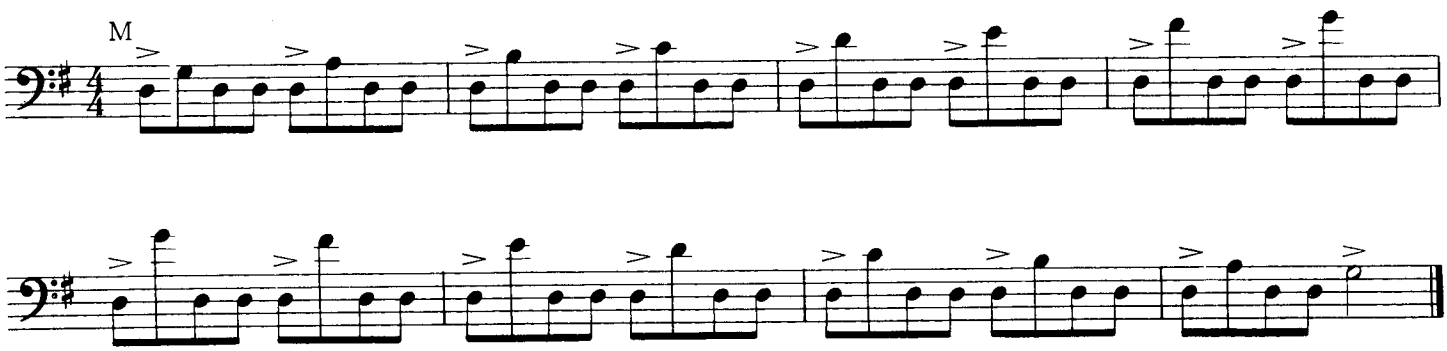

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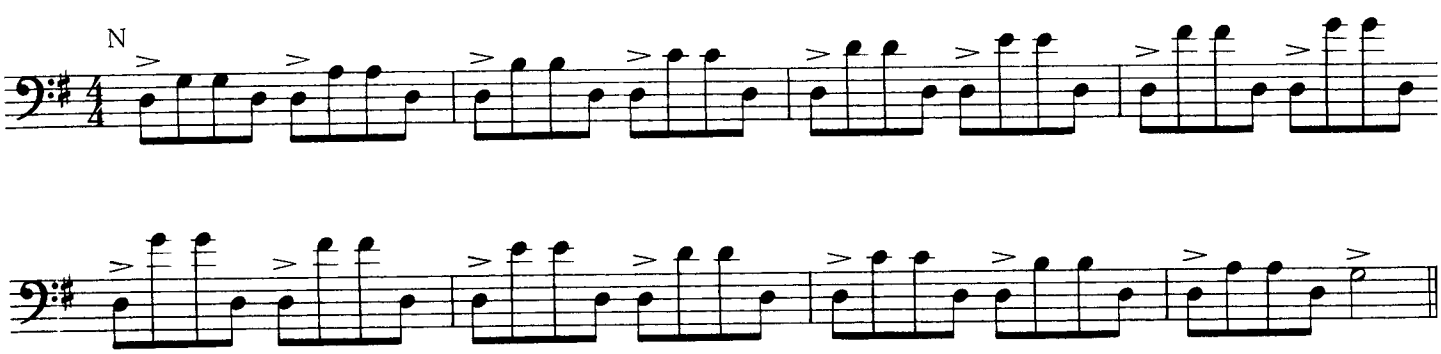

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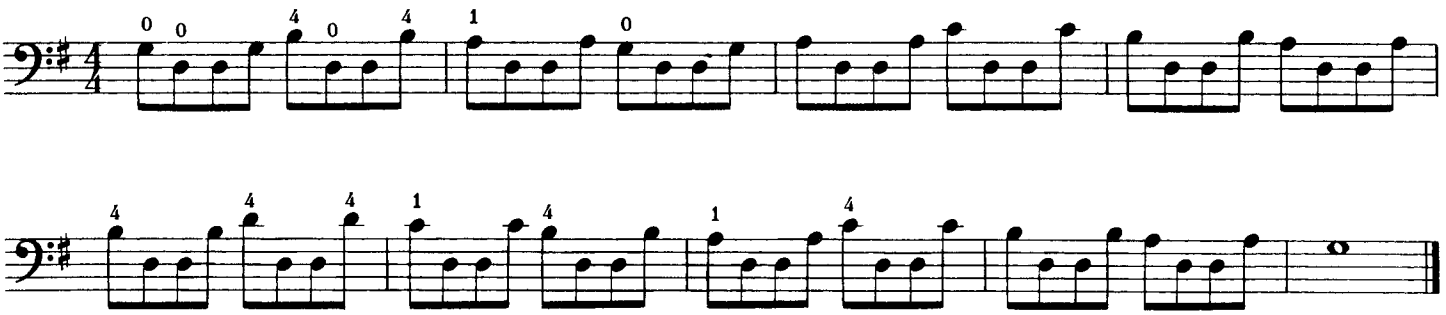

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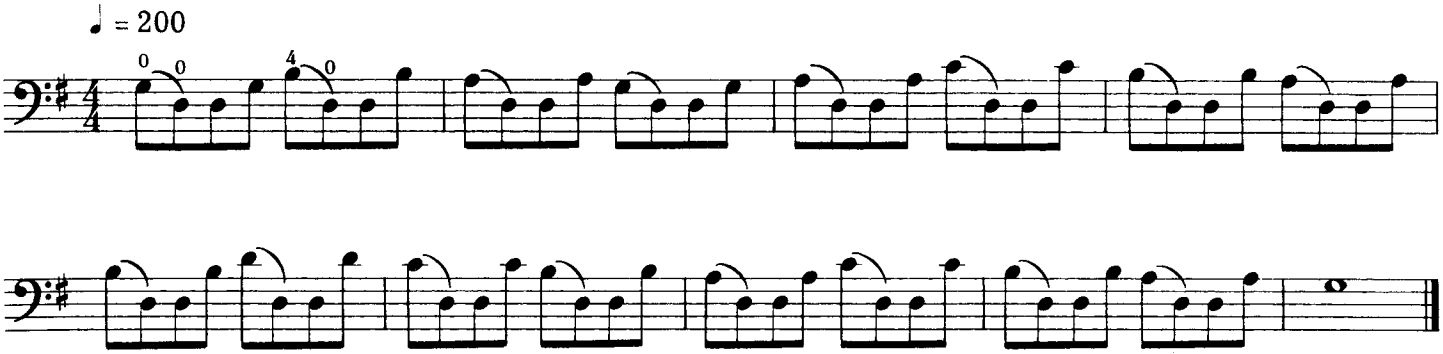

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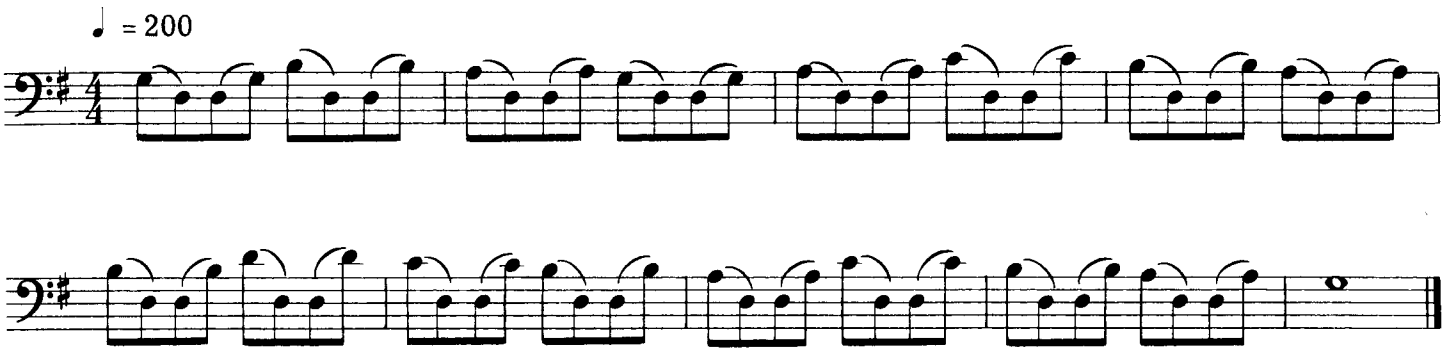

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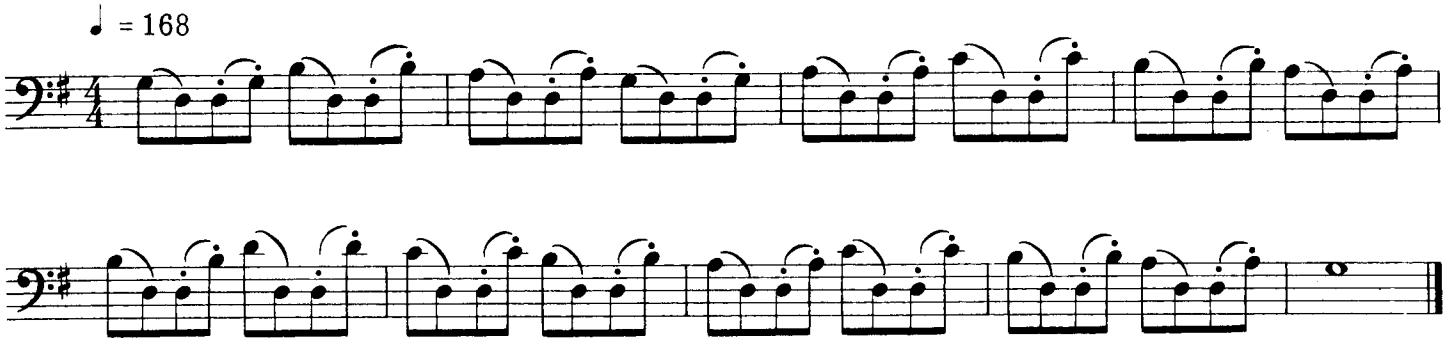
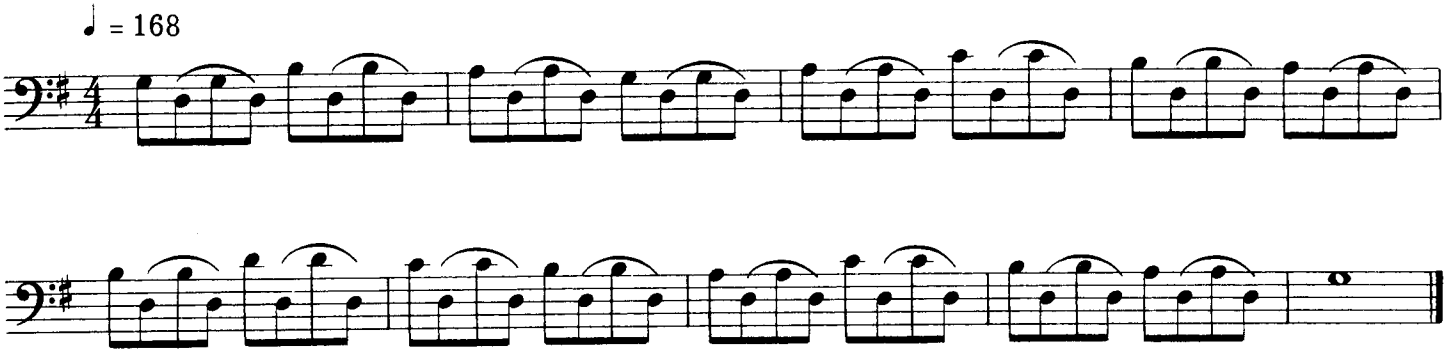
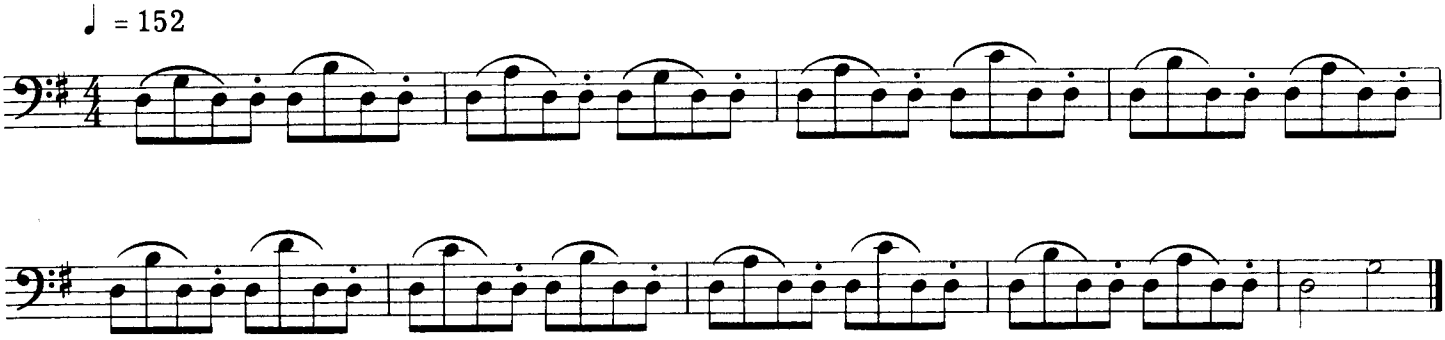
♩ = 168







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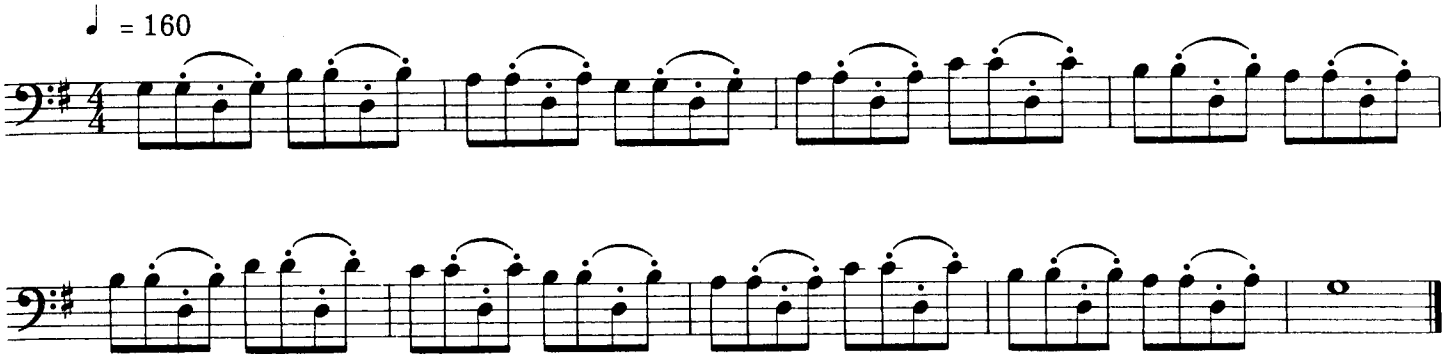
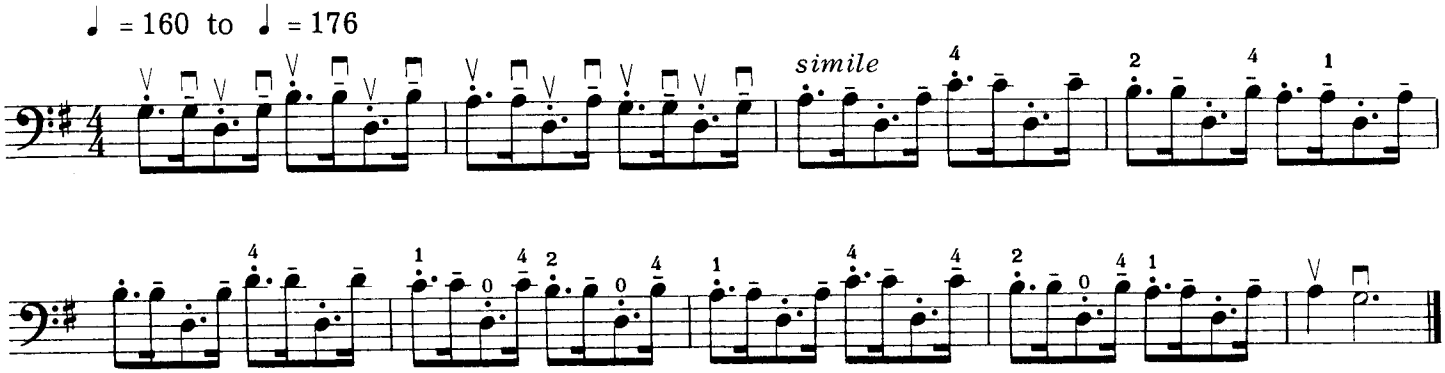


This bowing *(Piqué)* is to be played in the upper half of the bow; the dotted eighth note short *(Martelé)* and the sixteenth note with a smoother stroke *(Détaché)*.



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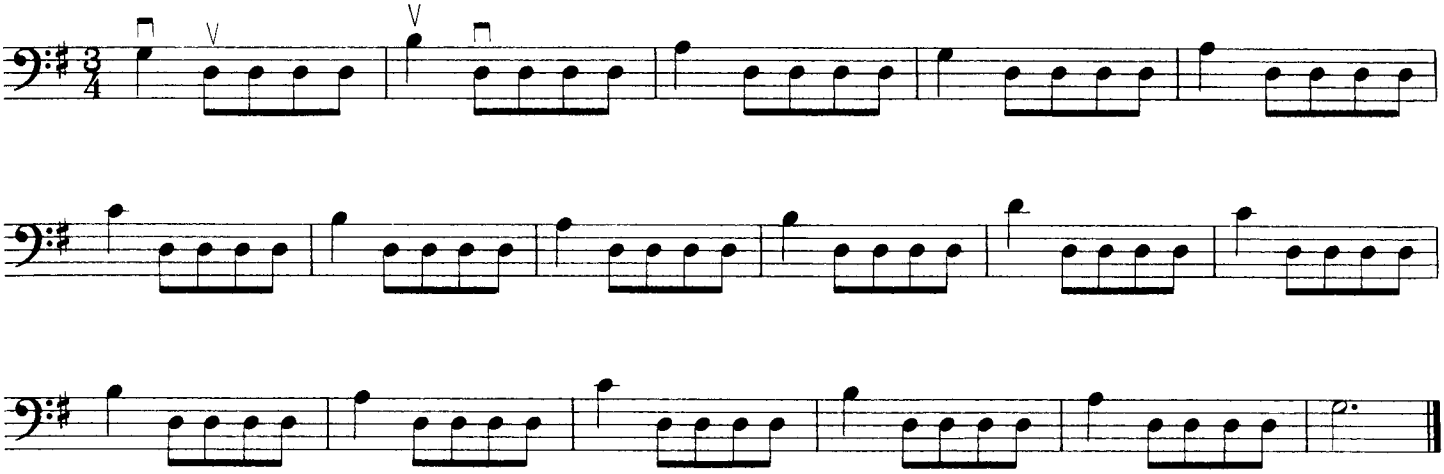

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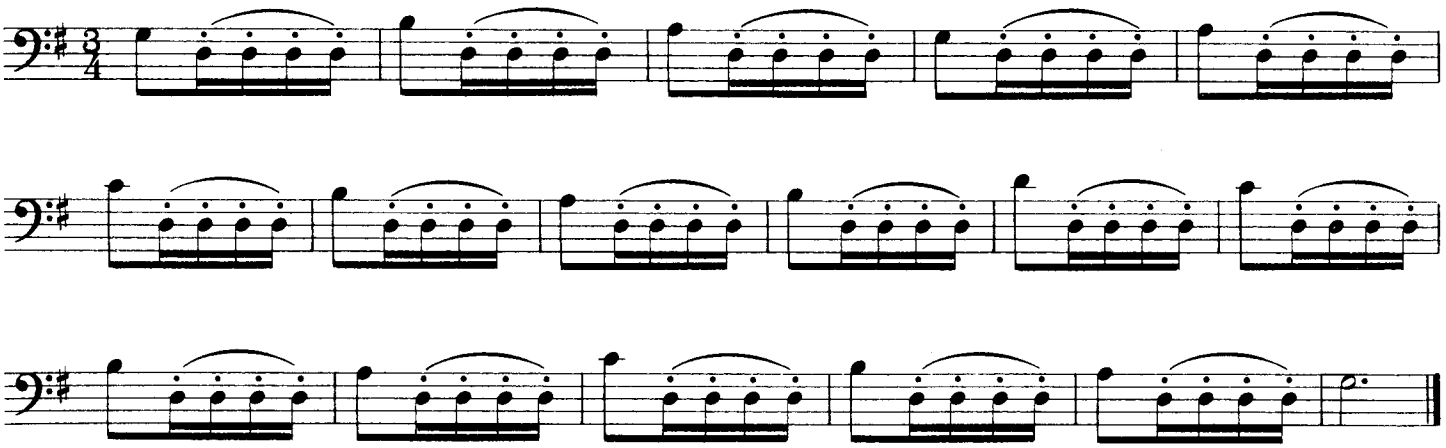

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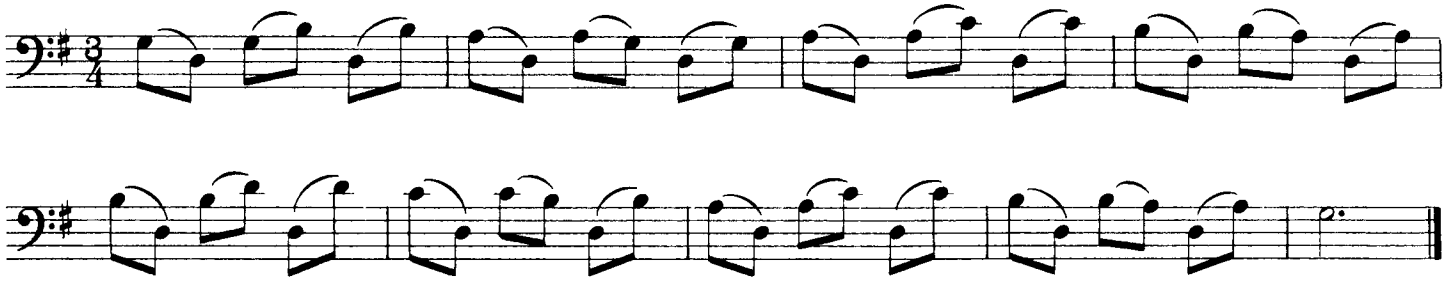

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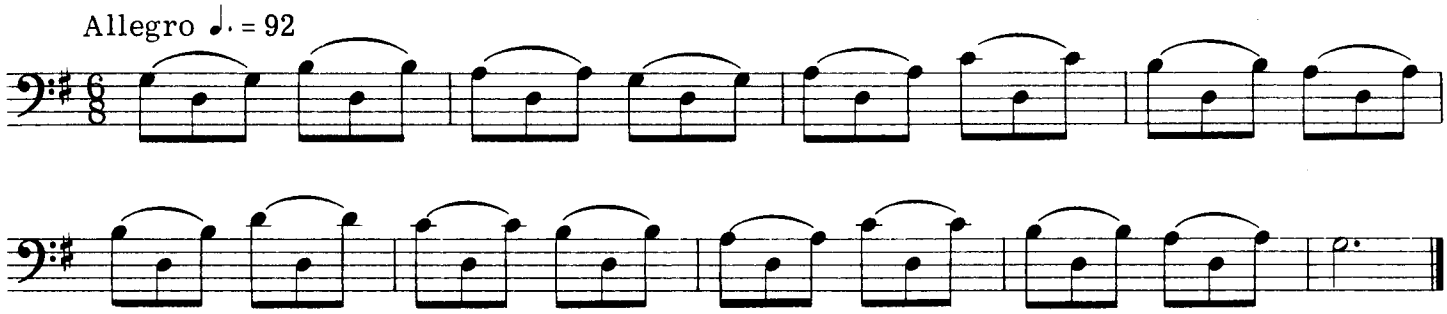

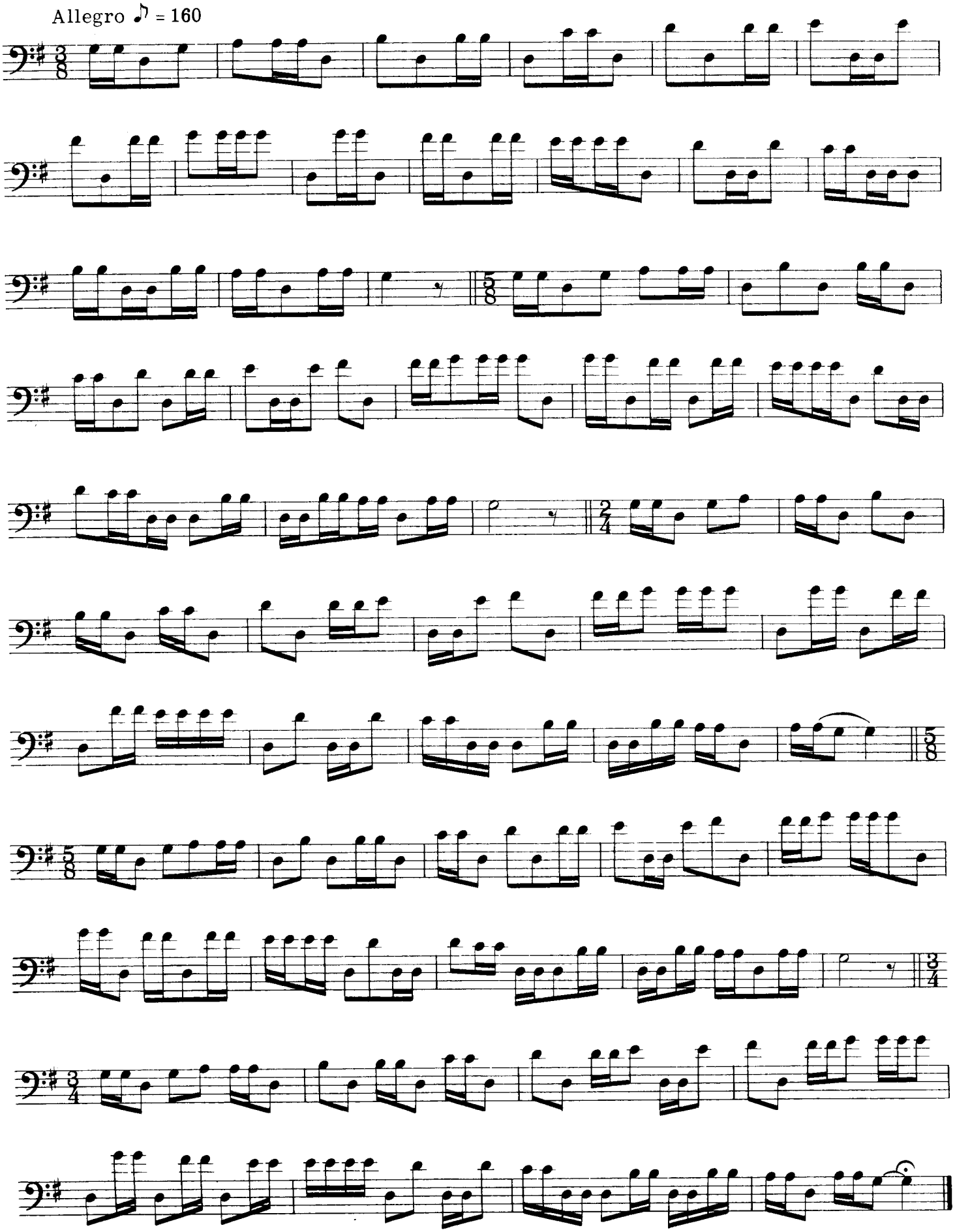
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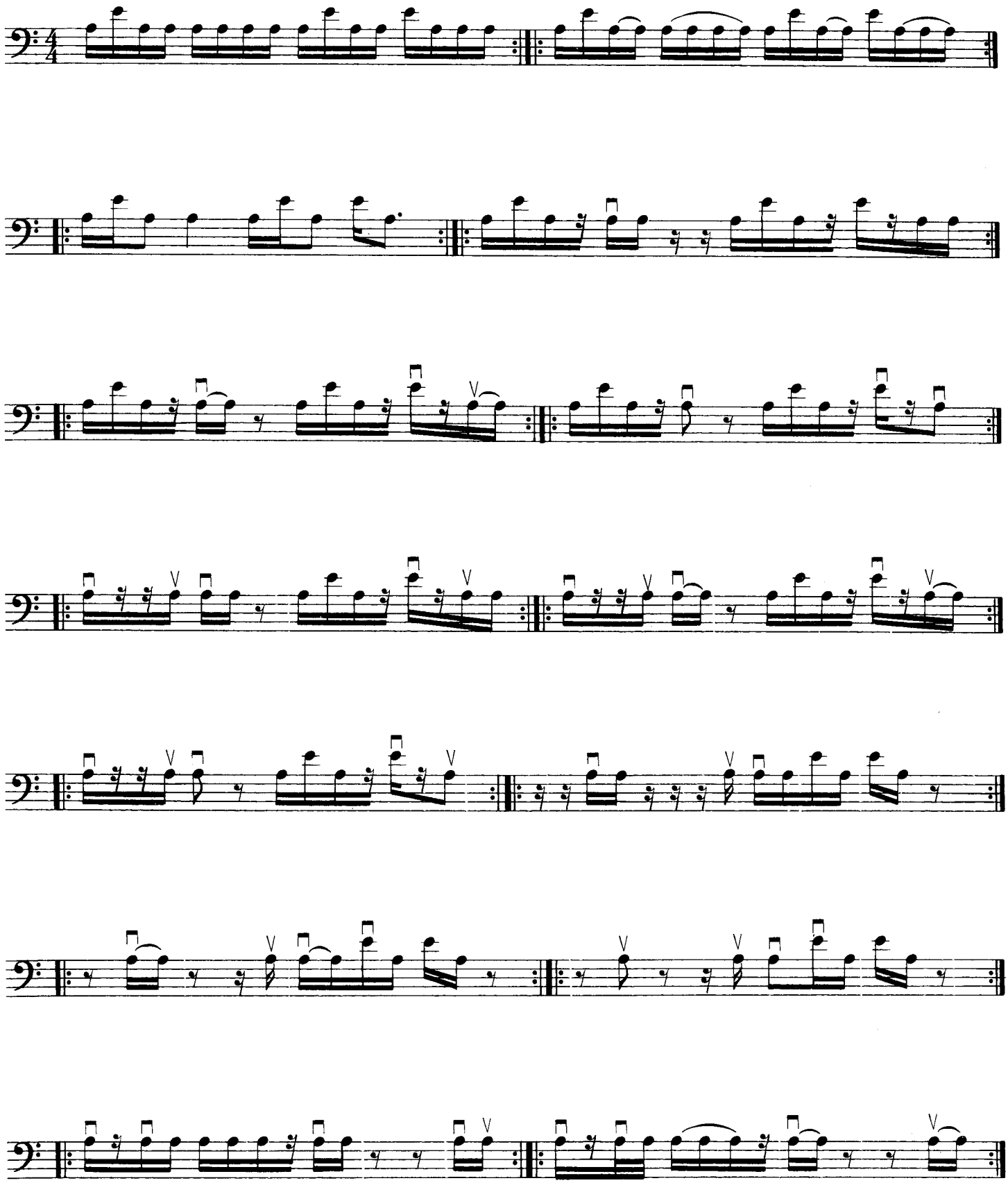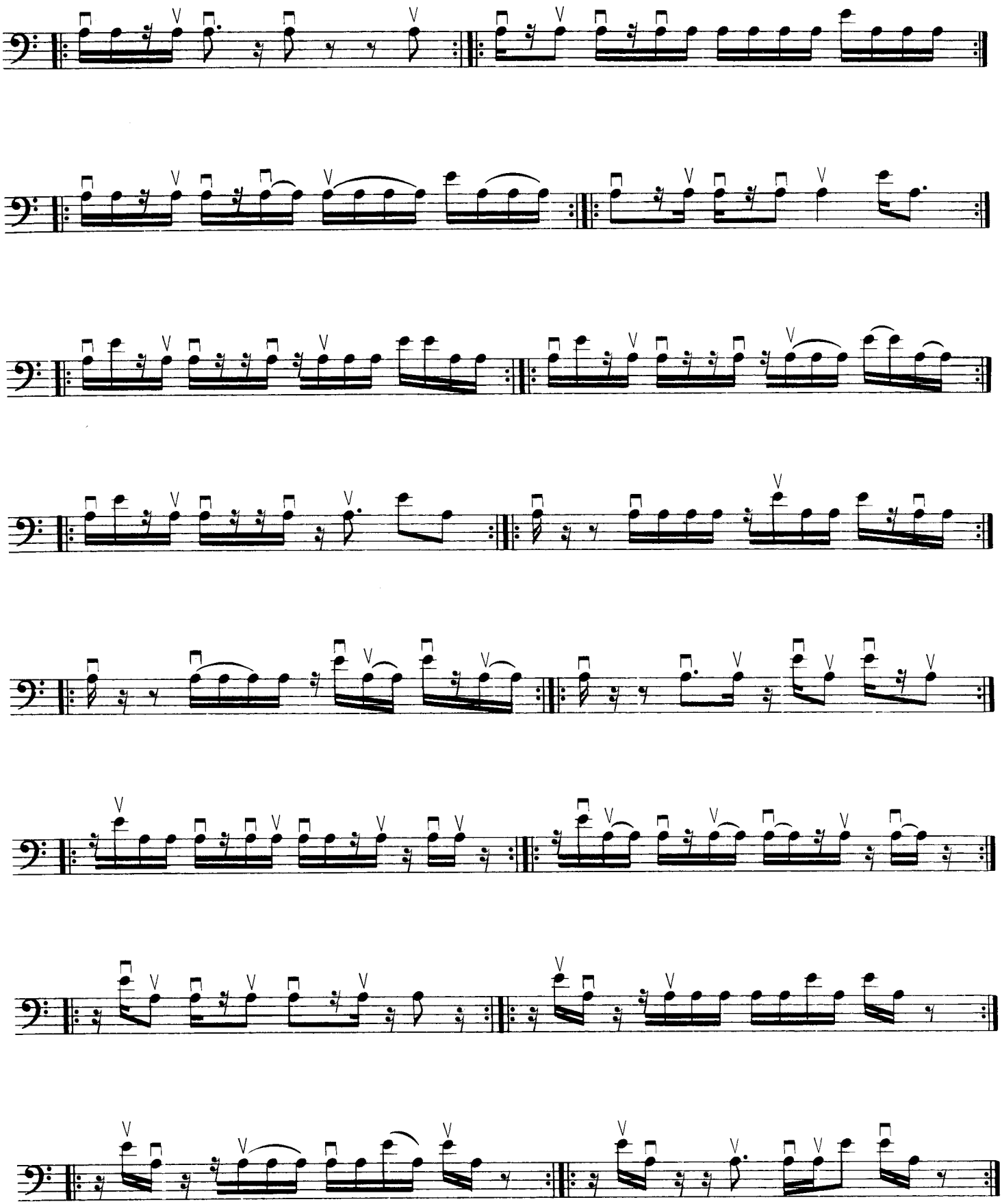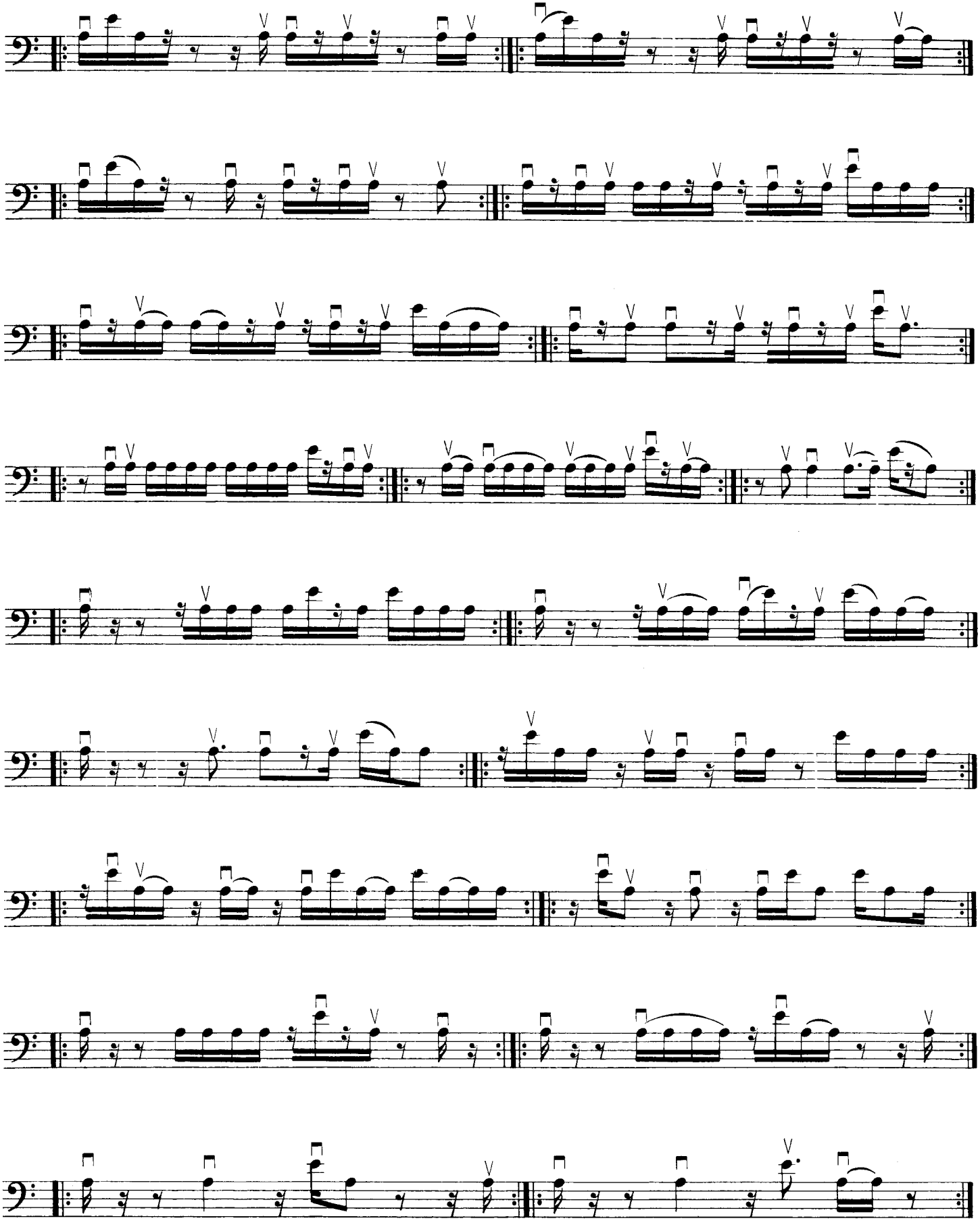
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