THE HIGHLAND/ETLING STRING ORCHESTRA SERIES

MIRAJ

Richard Meyer (ASCAP)

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INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor Score	1
Violin I	8
Violin II	8
Viola	5
Cello	5
String Bass	5

Your students will love the exotic and mysterious sounds of this imaginative selection for the advanced string orchestra. The piece opens with a hard-driving melody that features unexpected harmonic shifts and interesting chromatic twists. A "glissando-ridden" unison melody follows, leading into a haunting, slow middle section. The tempo picks up again as violins and violas play layered riffs above a "hand-drumming" accompaniment in the cellos and basses. The original tune returns, re-orchestrated, and leads into a rousing coda that brings the piece to a close with a raucous flourish.

The altered spelling of the word "mirage" as the title of the piece was originally intended to imply flavors of music from India. Coincidentally, Miraj is also a city in India famous for its outstanding tradition of string instrument making!

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Commissioned by the WIlliam Hopkins Junior High School Advanced Orchestra, Fremont, California.

Miraj

CONDUCTOR SCORE
Duration - 5:00

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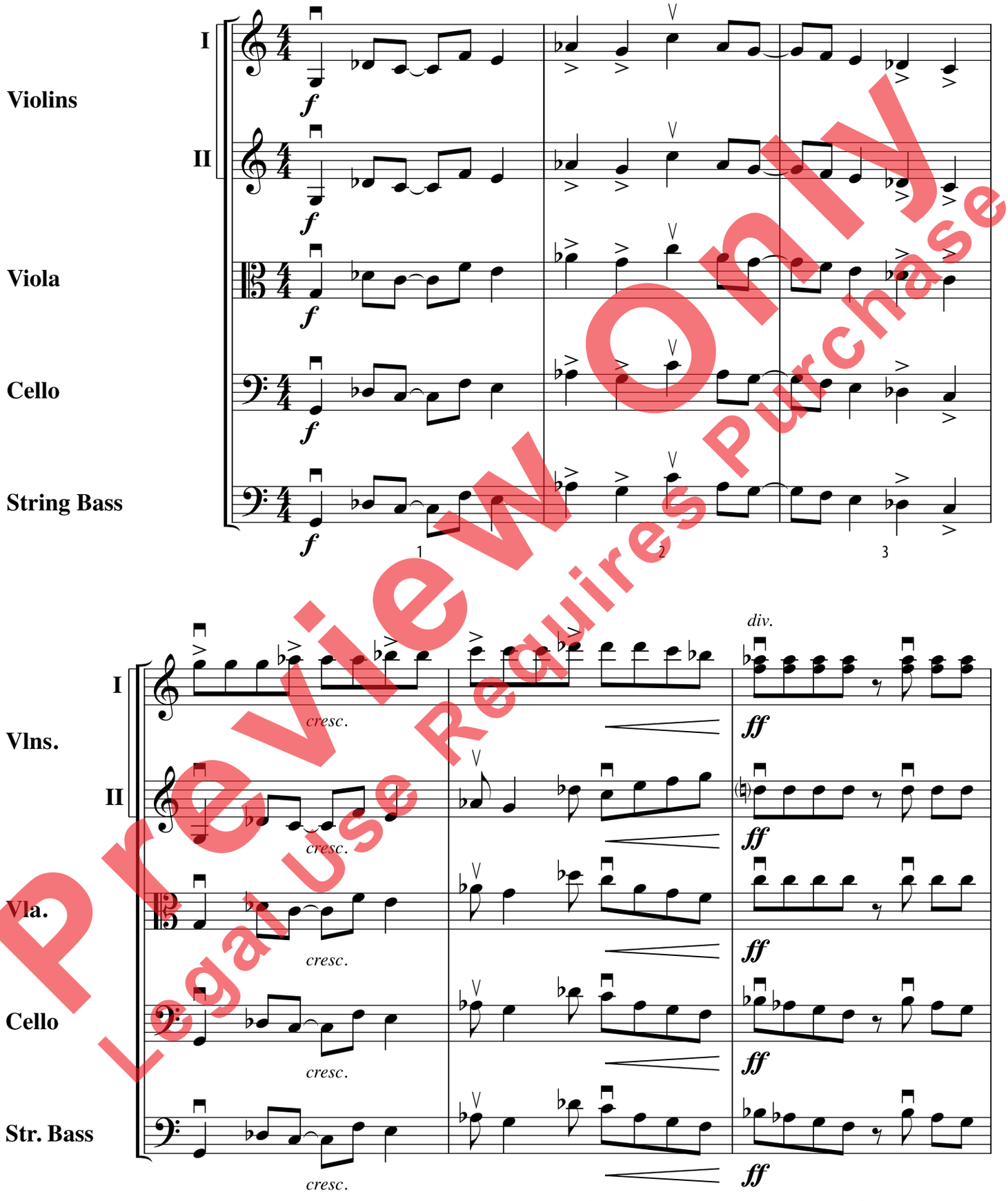
Allegro agitato (♩ = 166)



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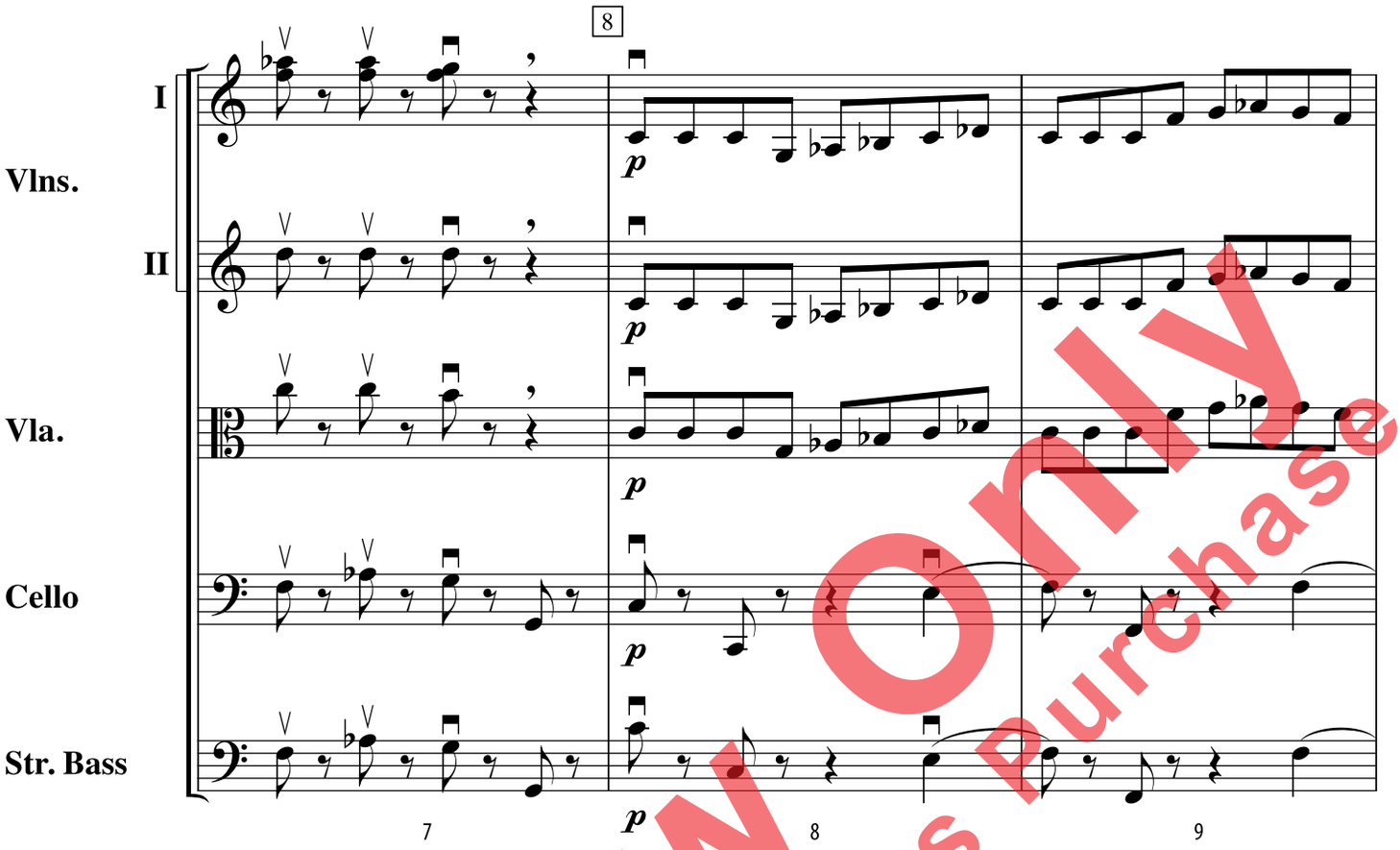

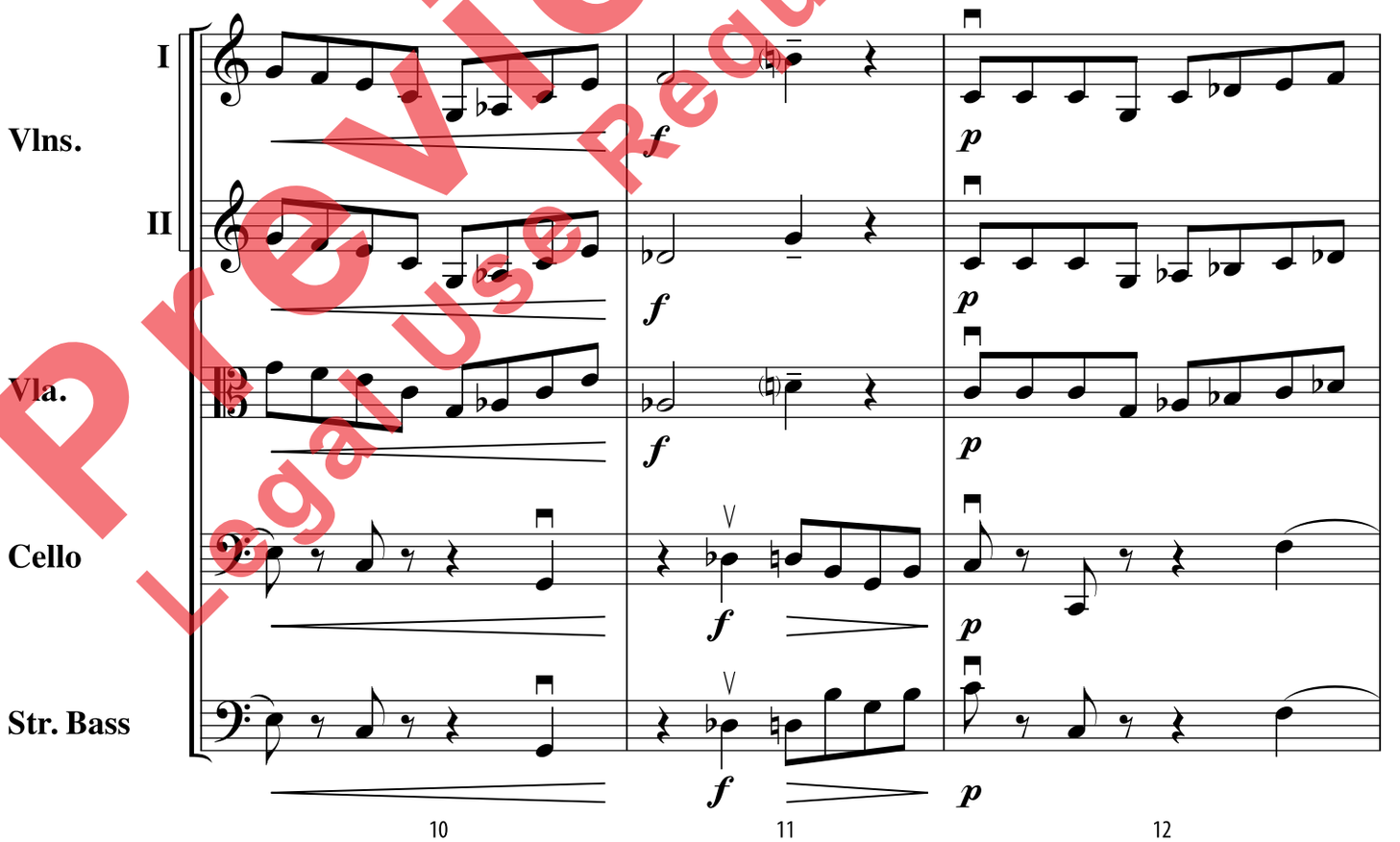

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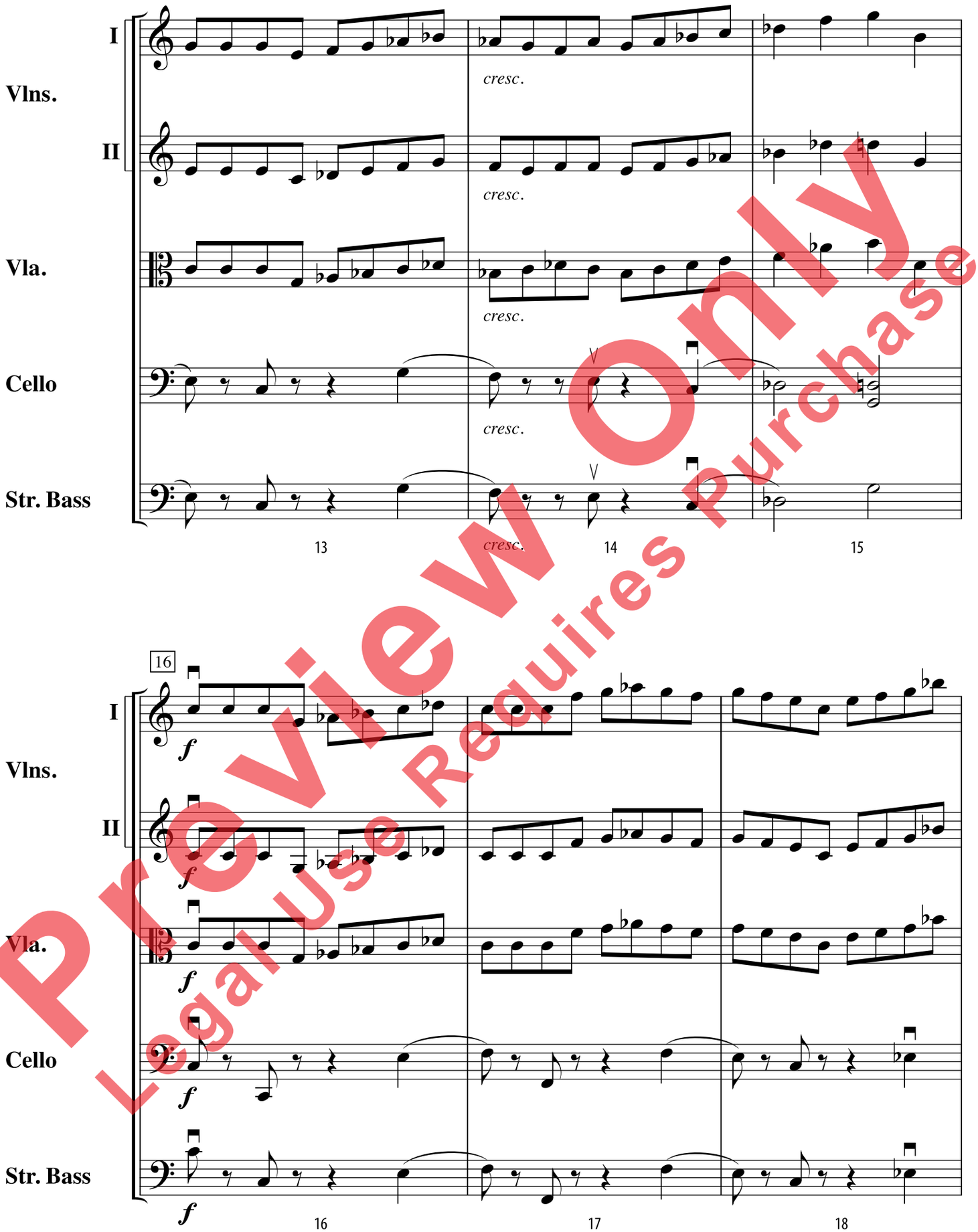

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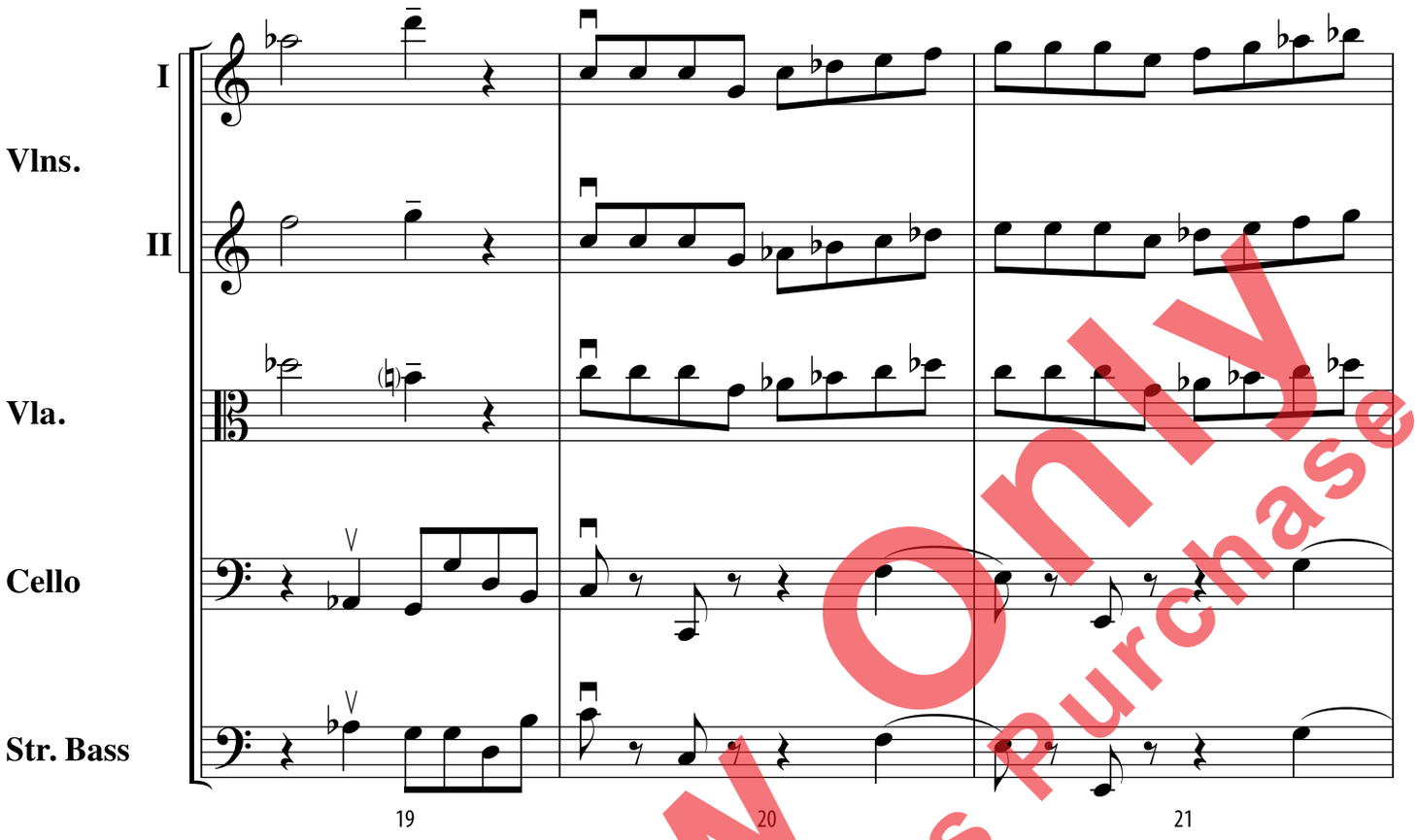

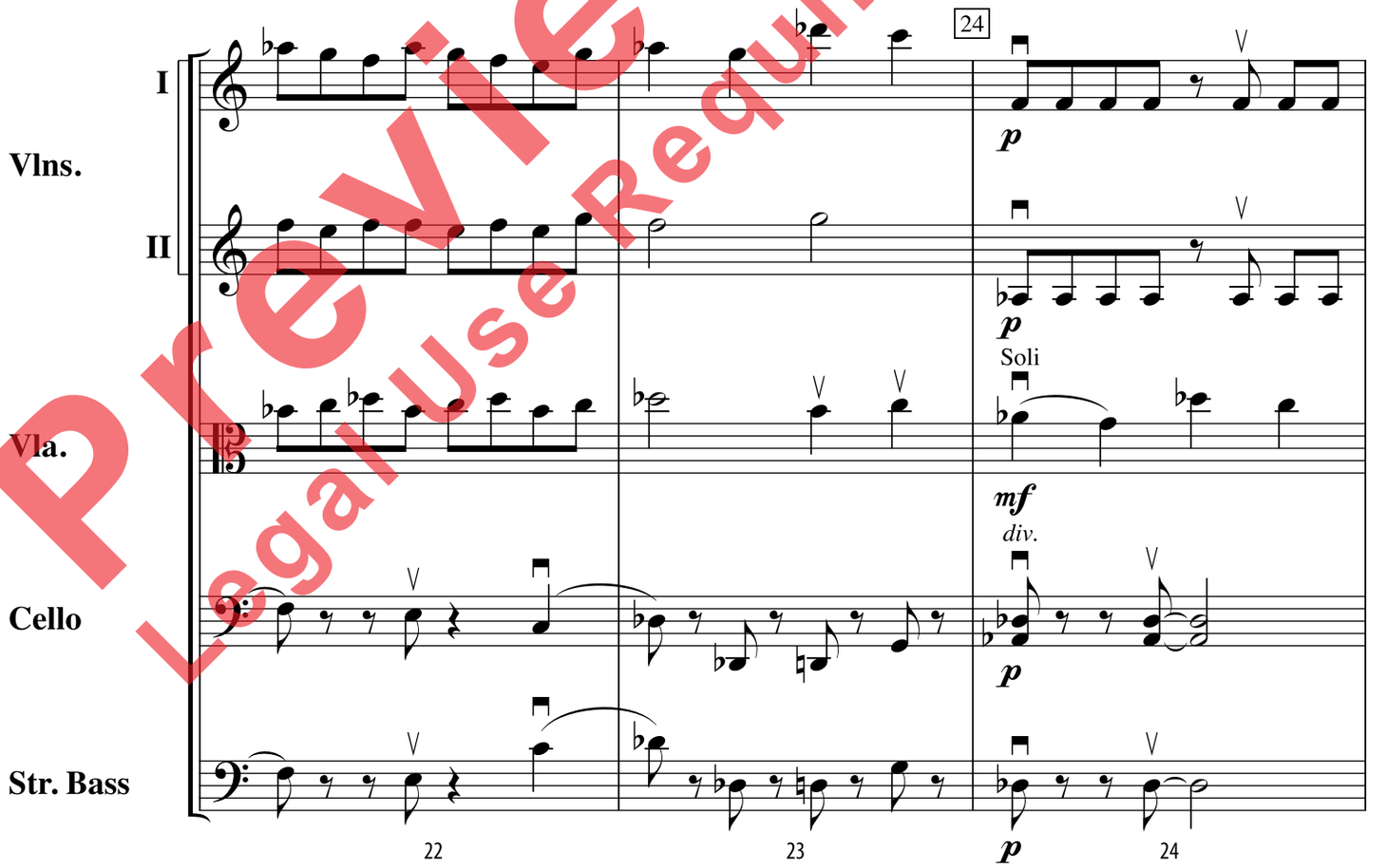

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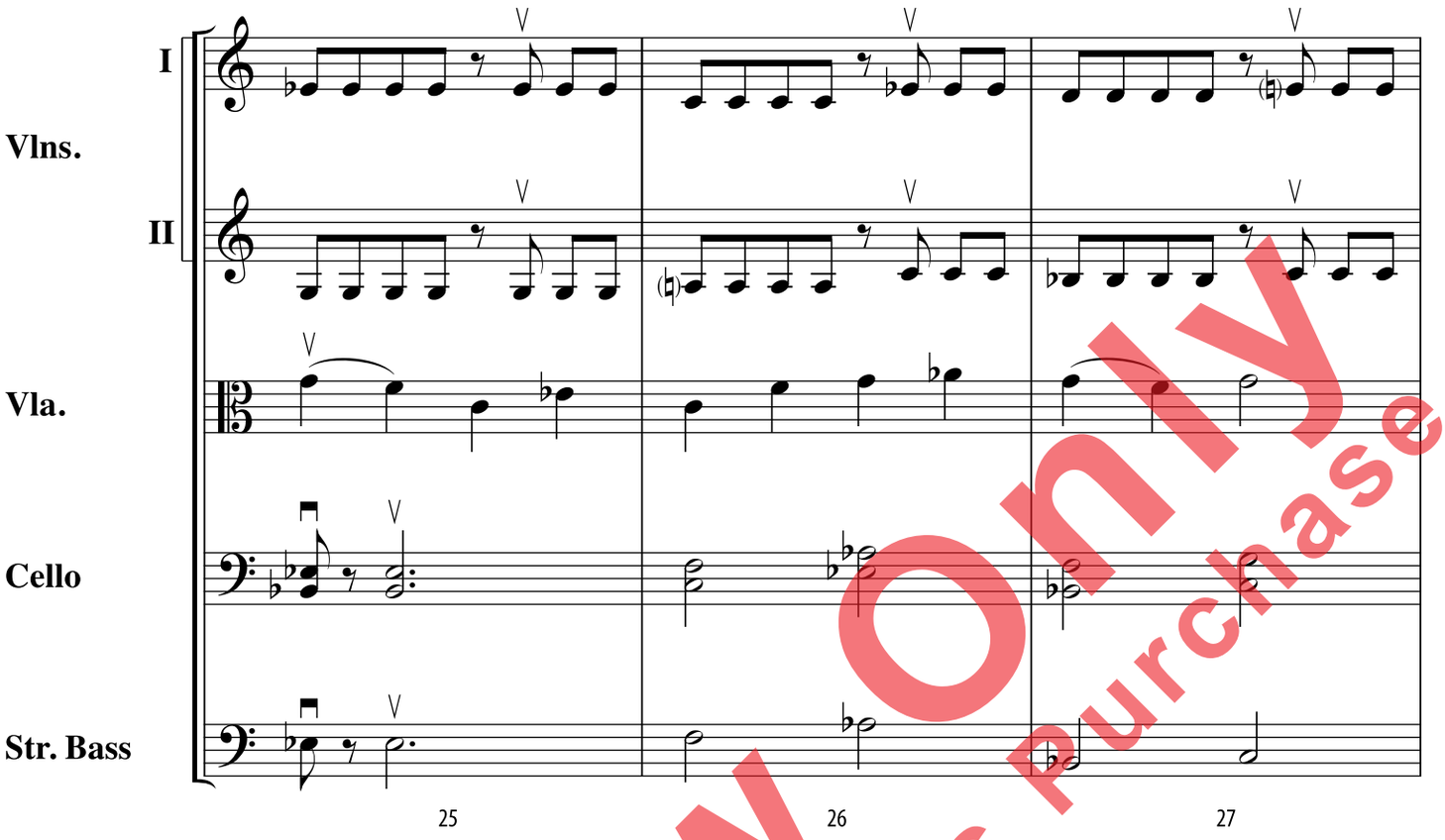

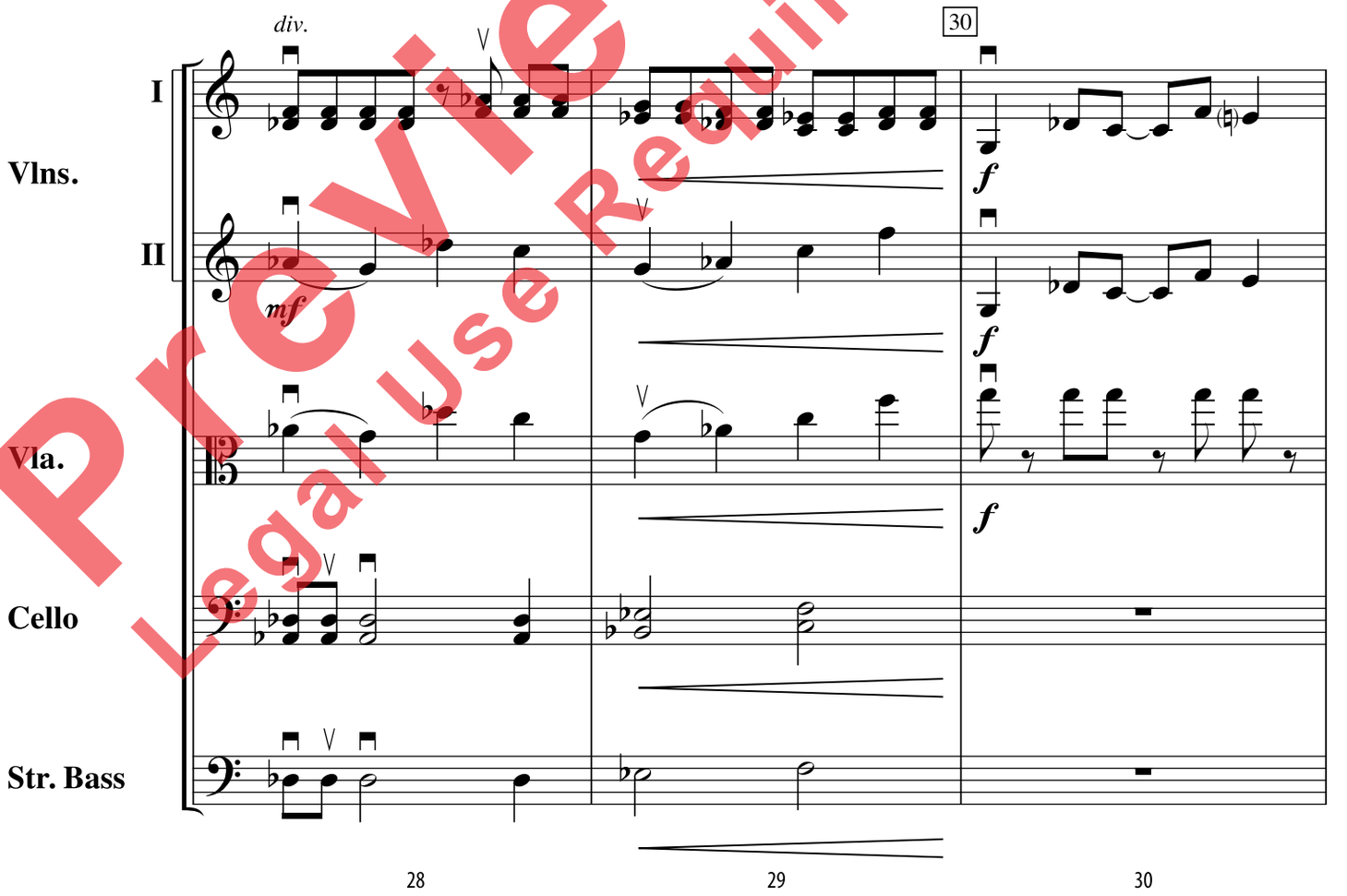

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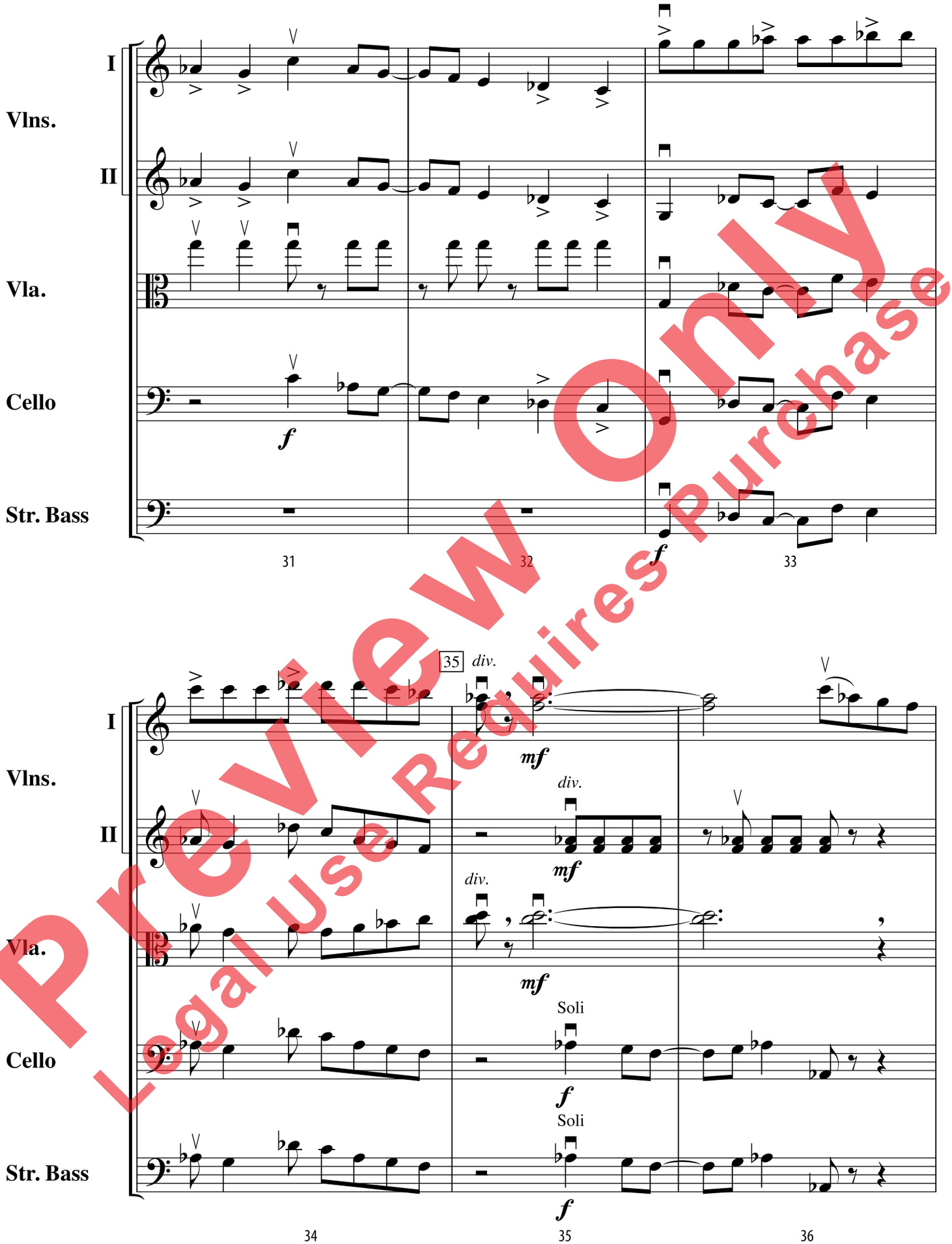

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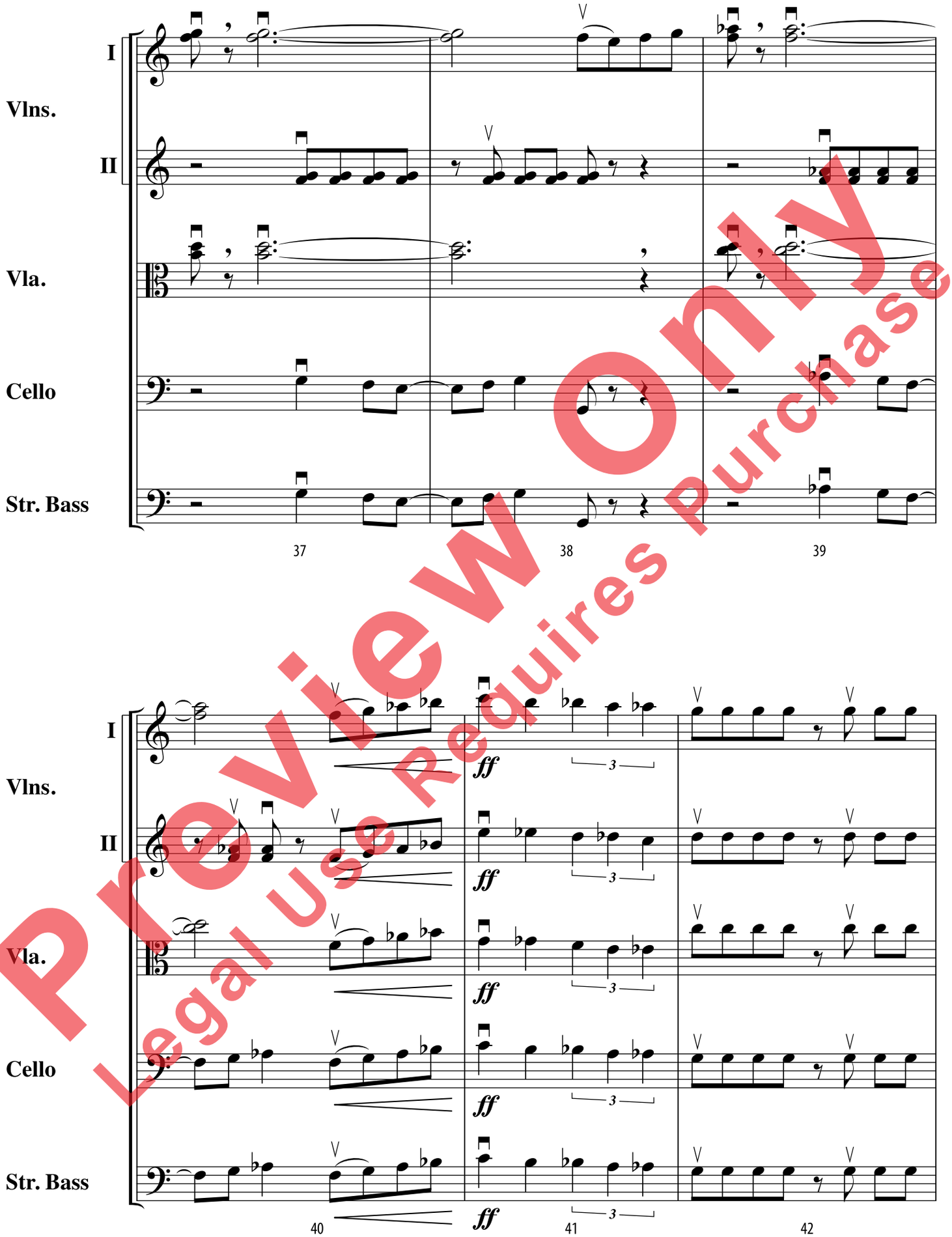

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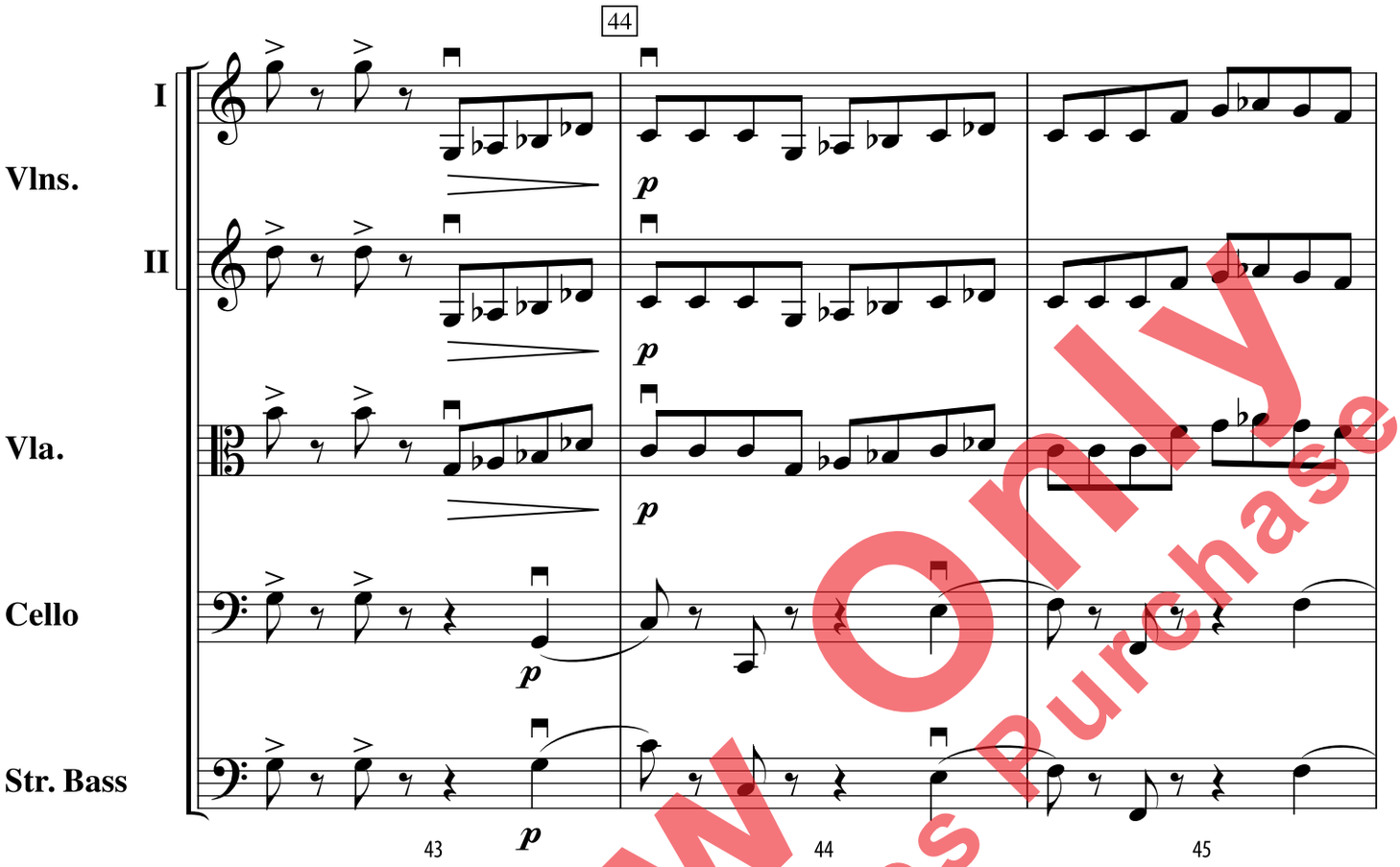

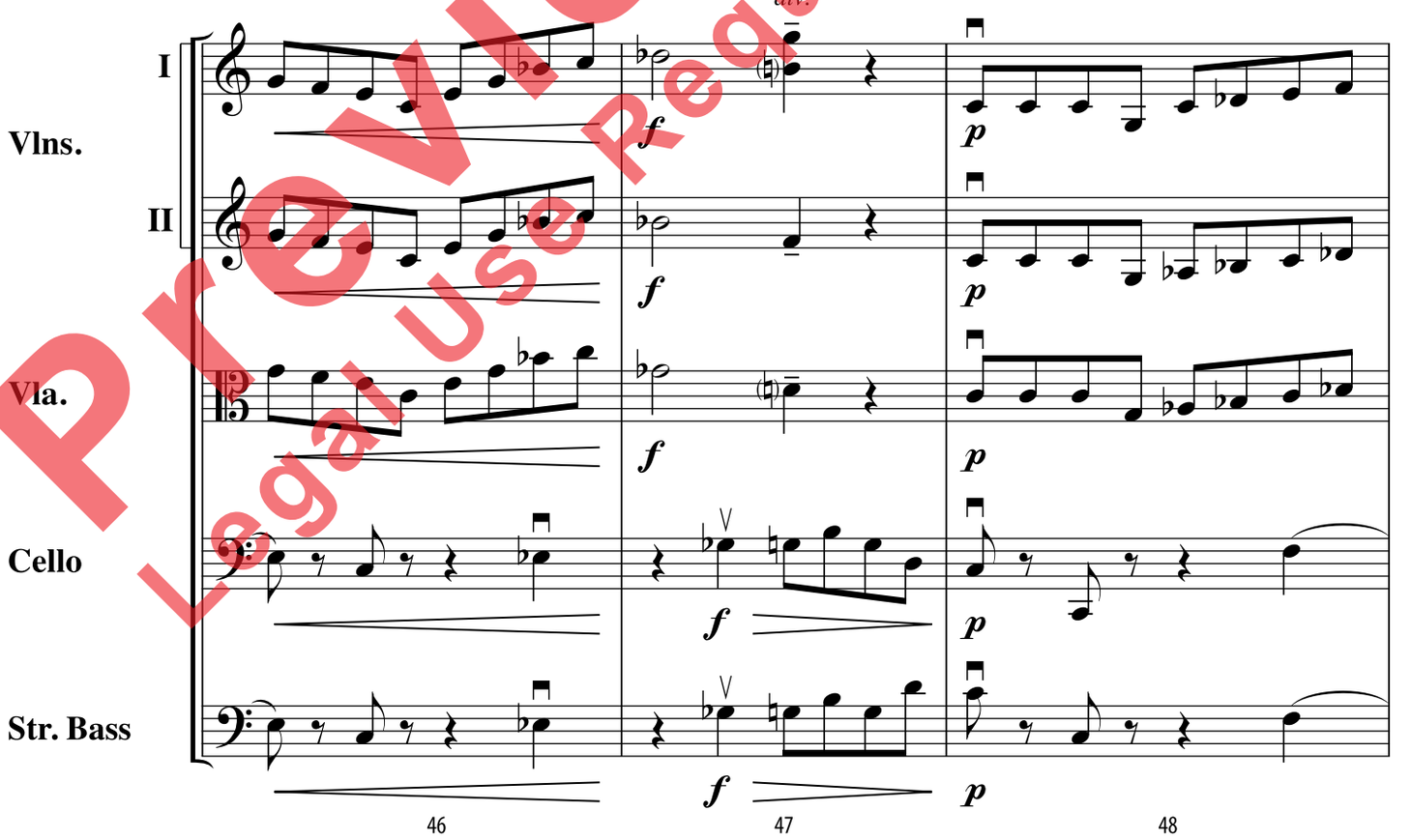

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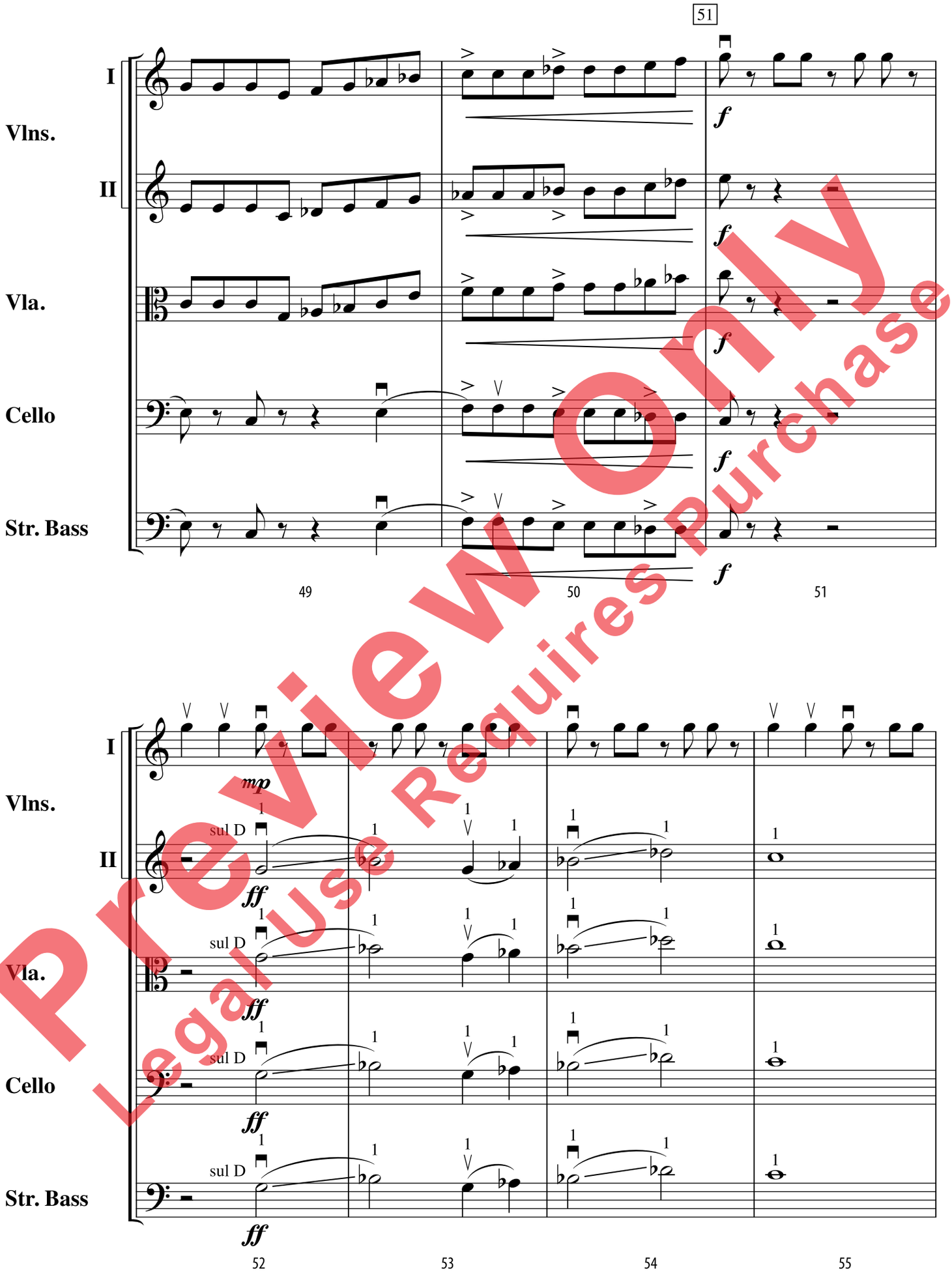

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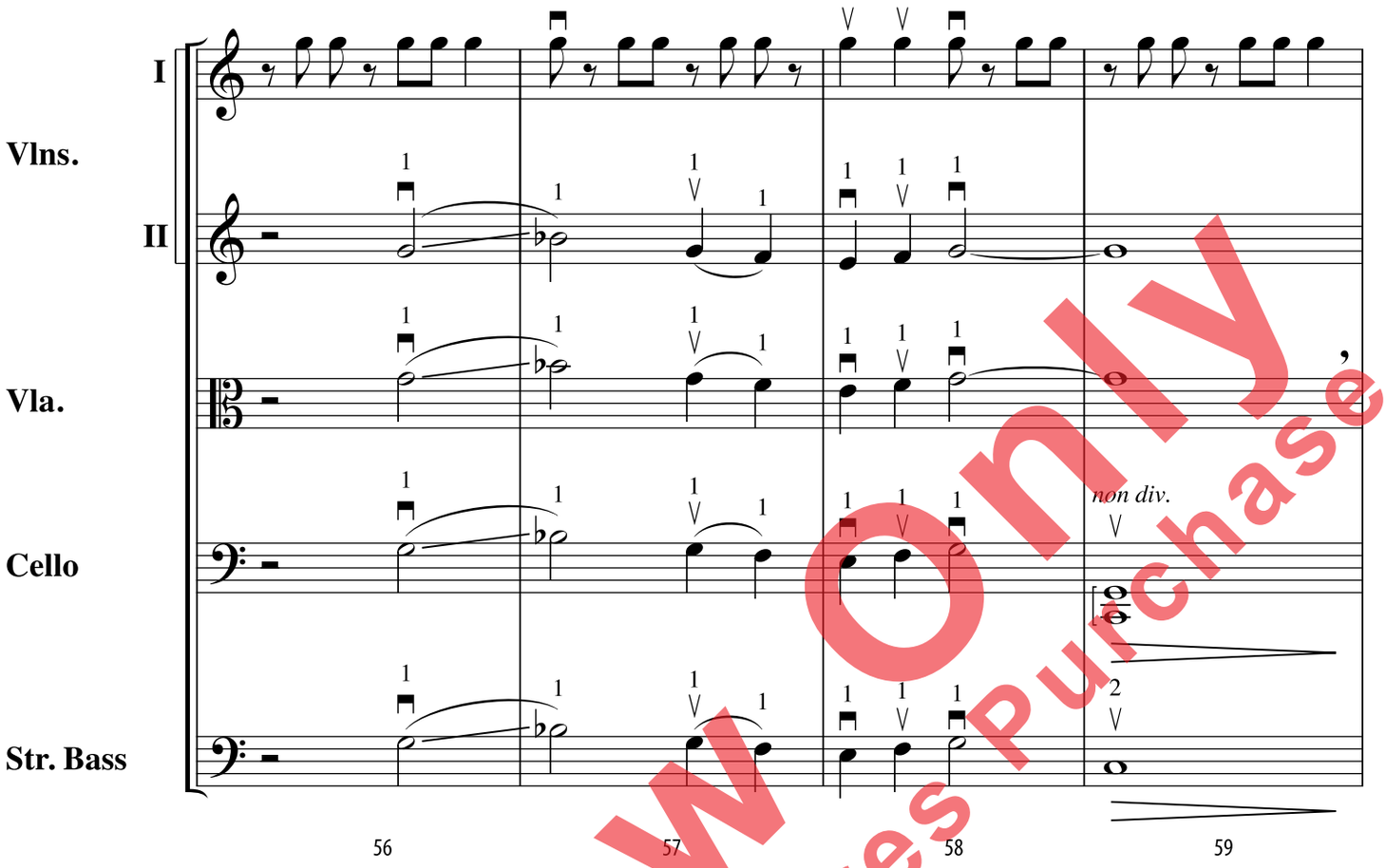

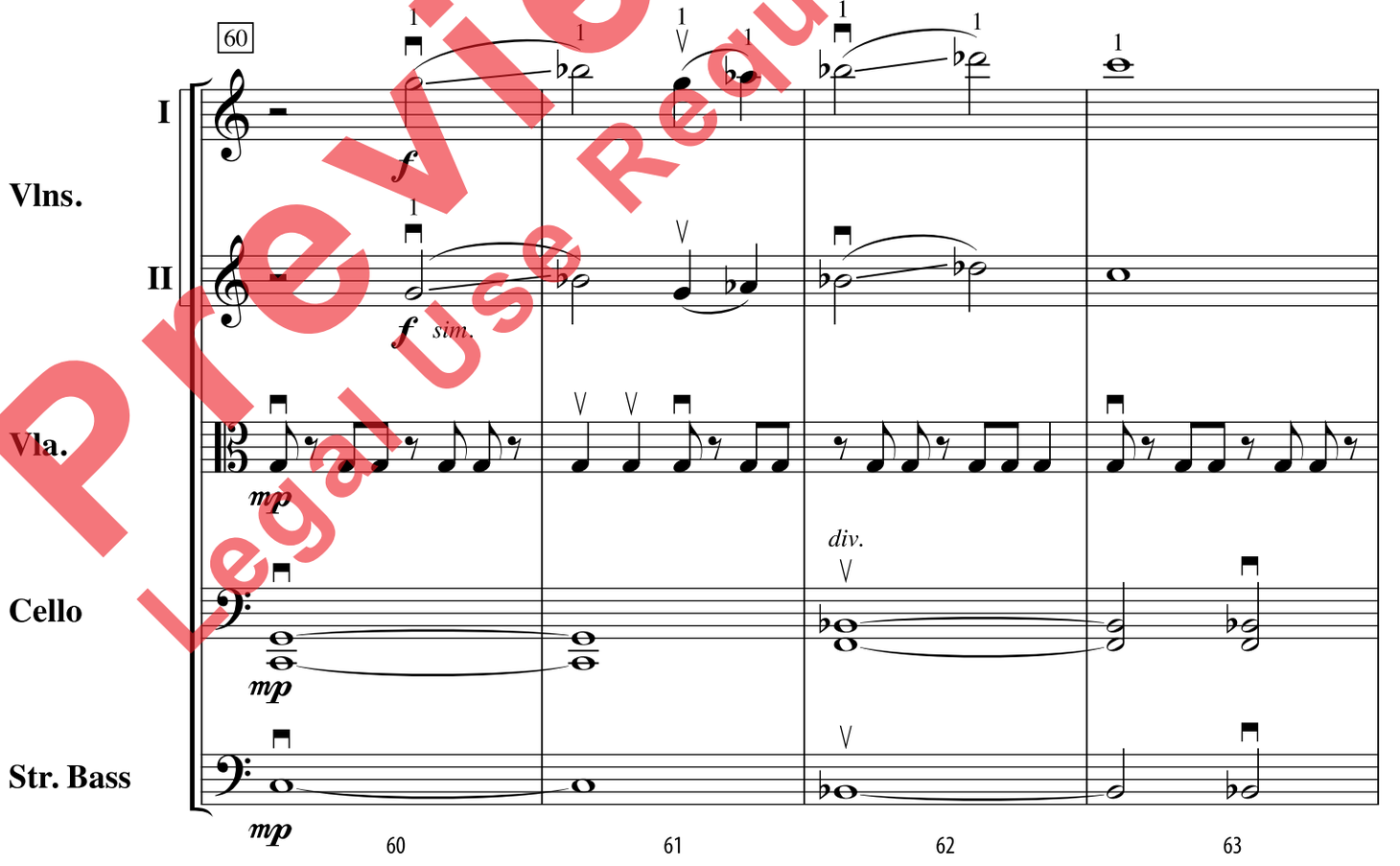

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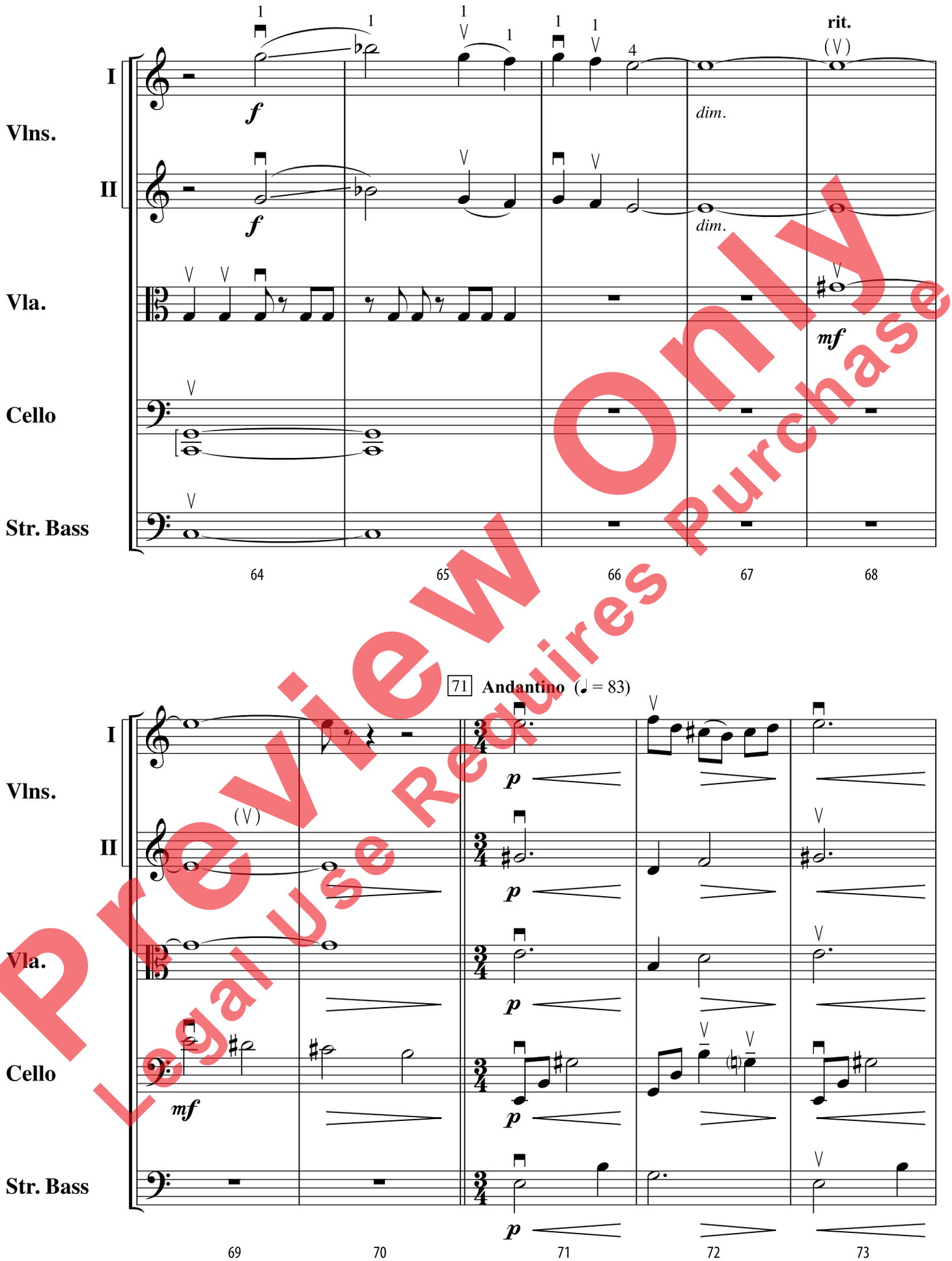

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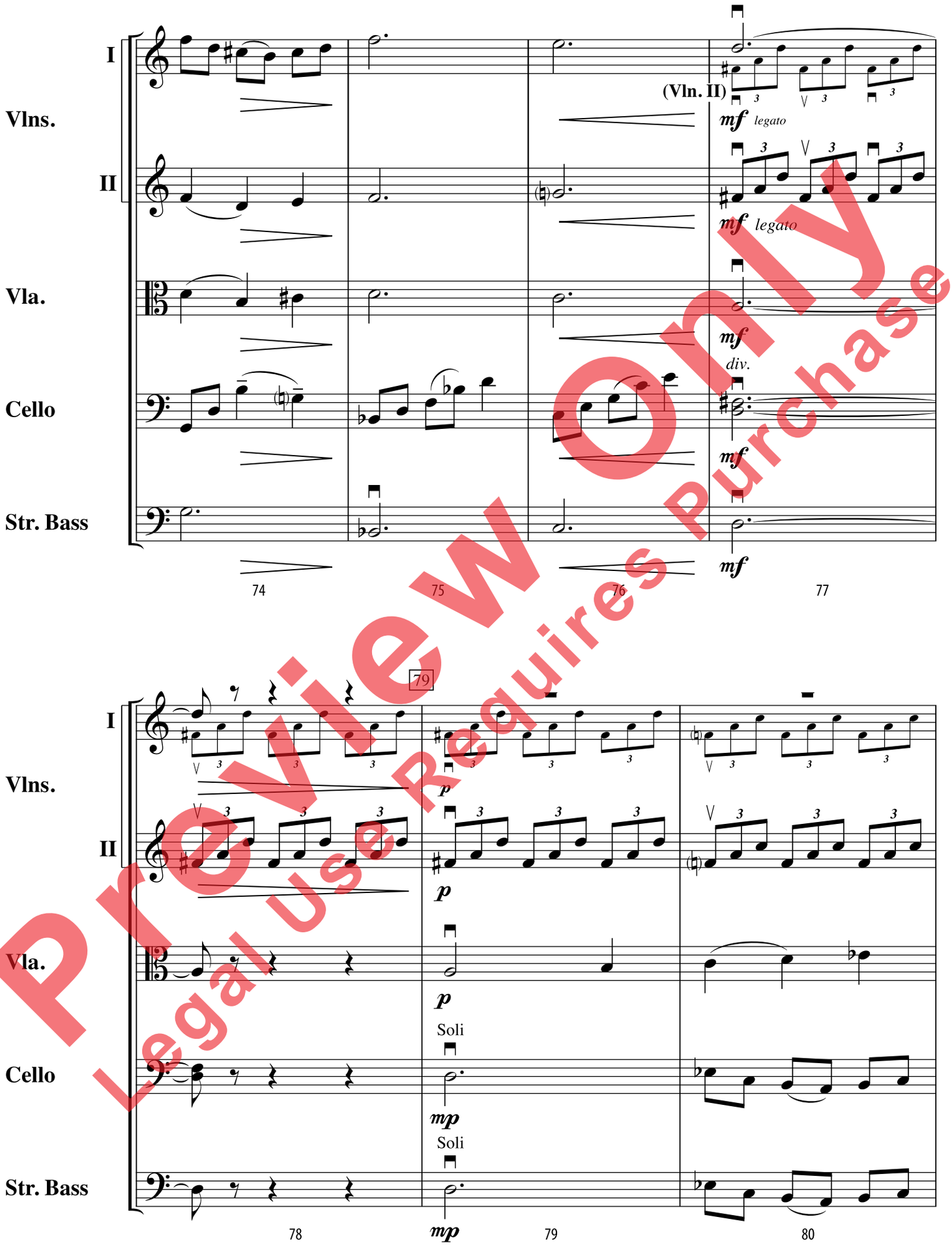

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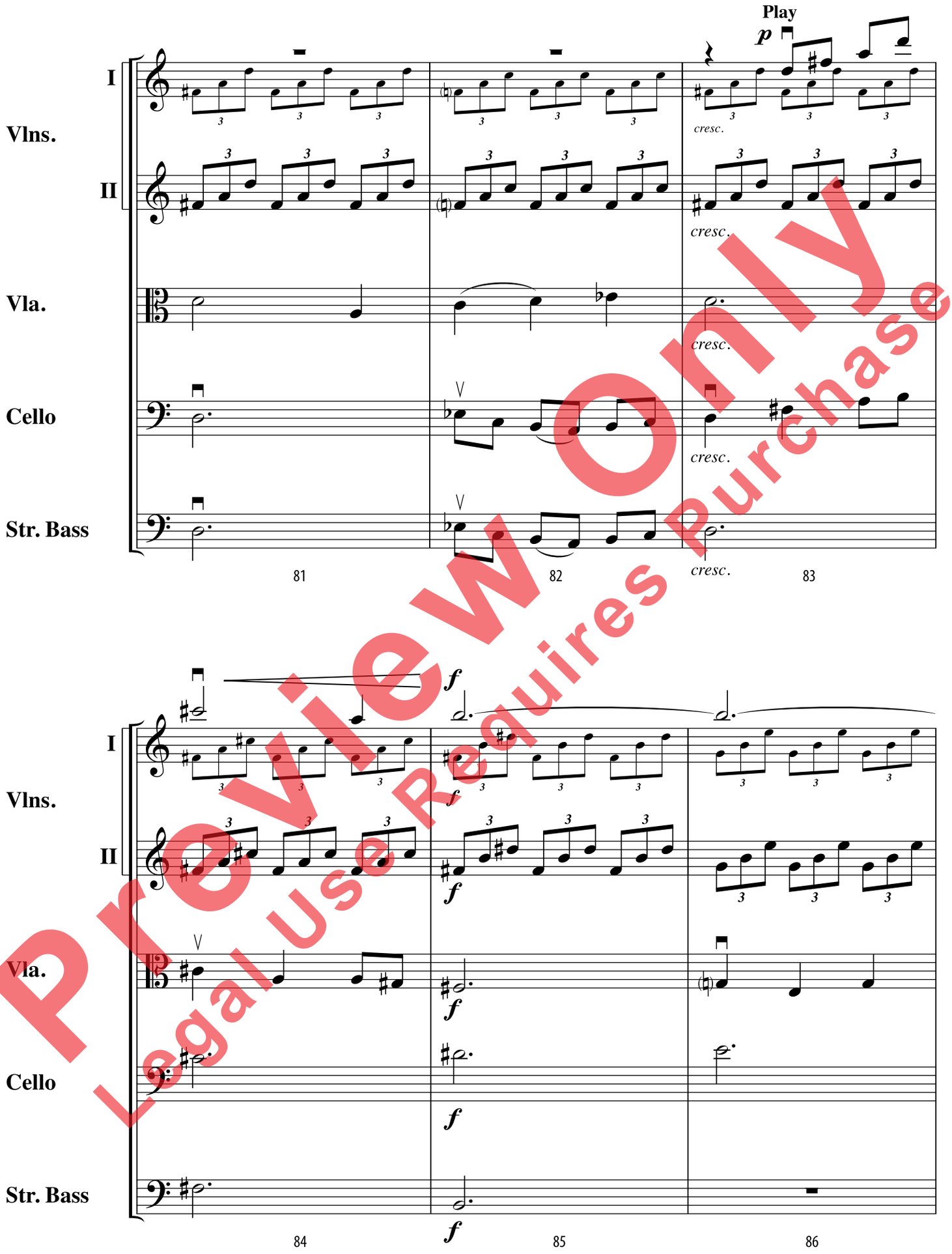

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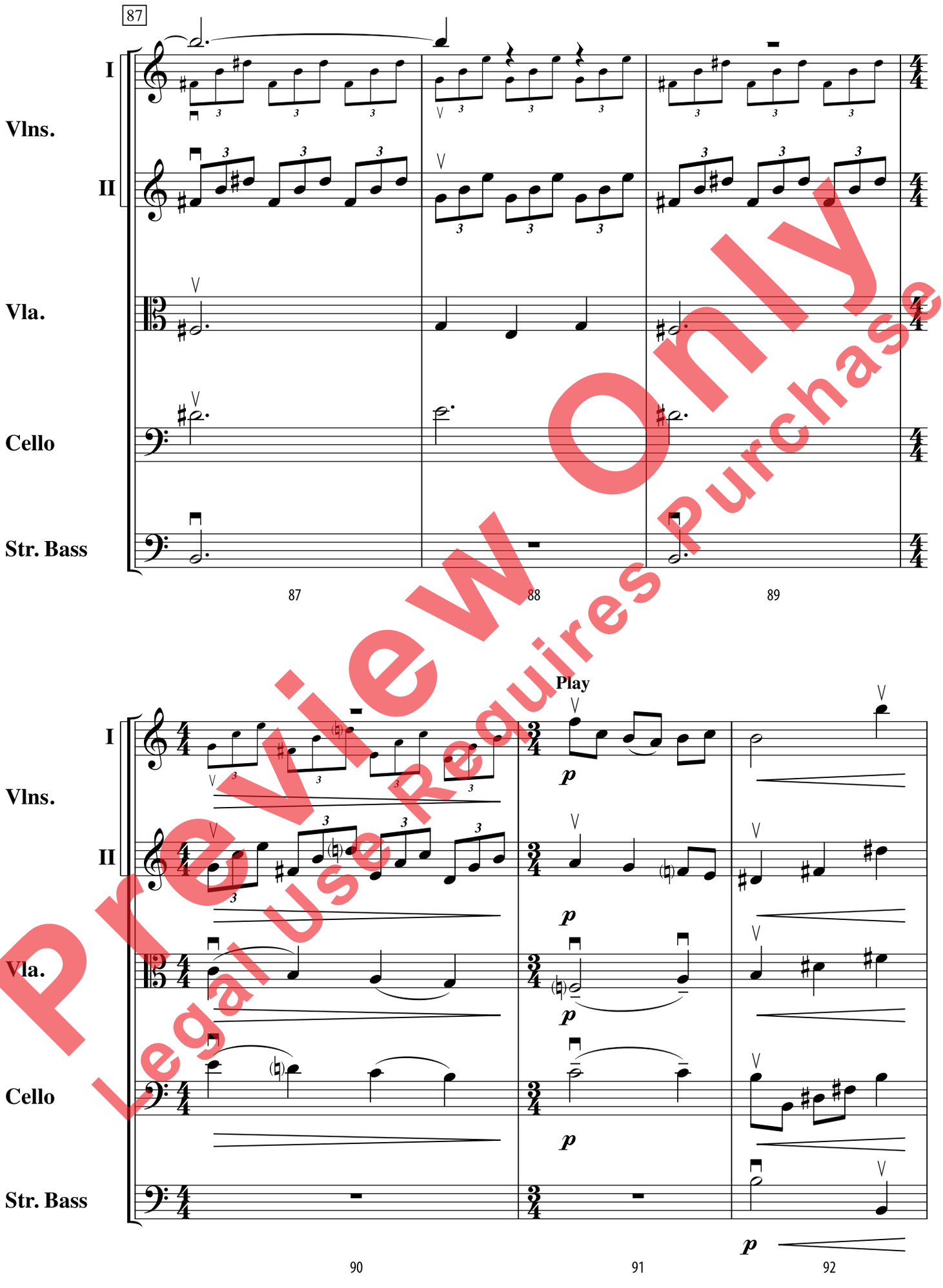

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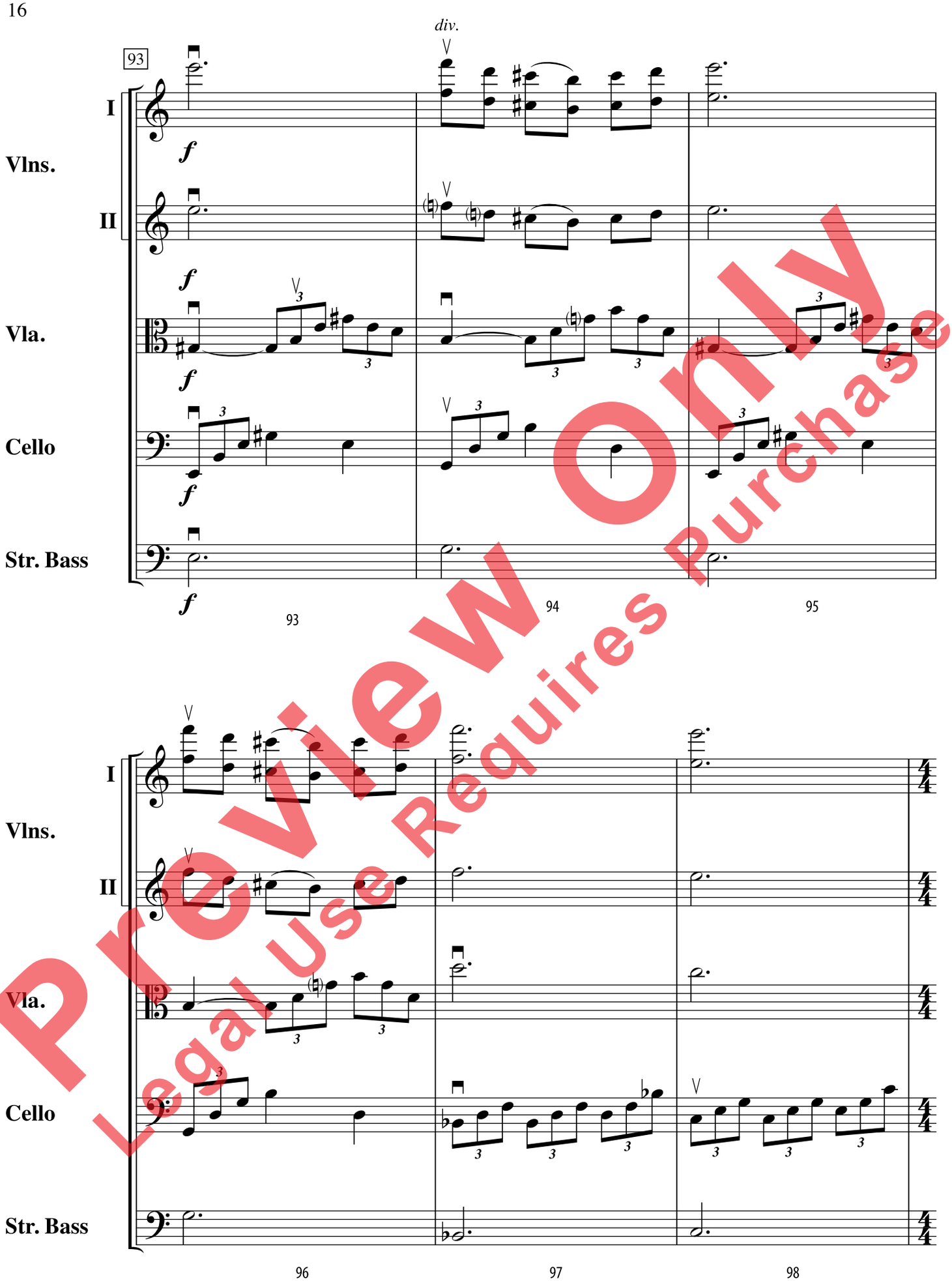

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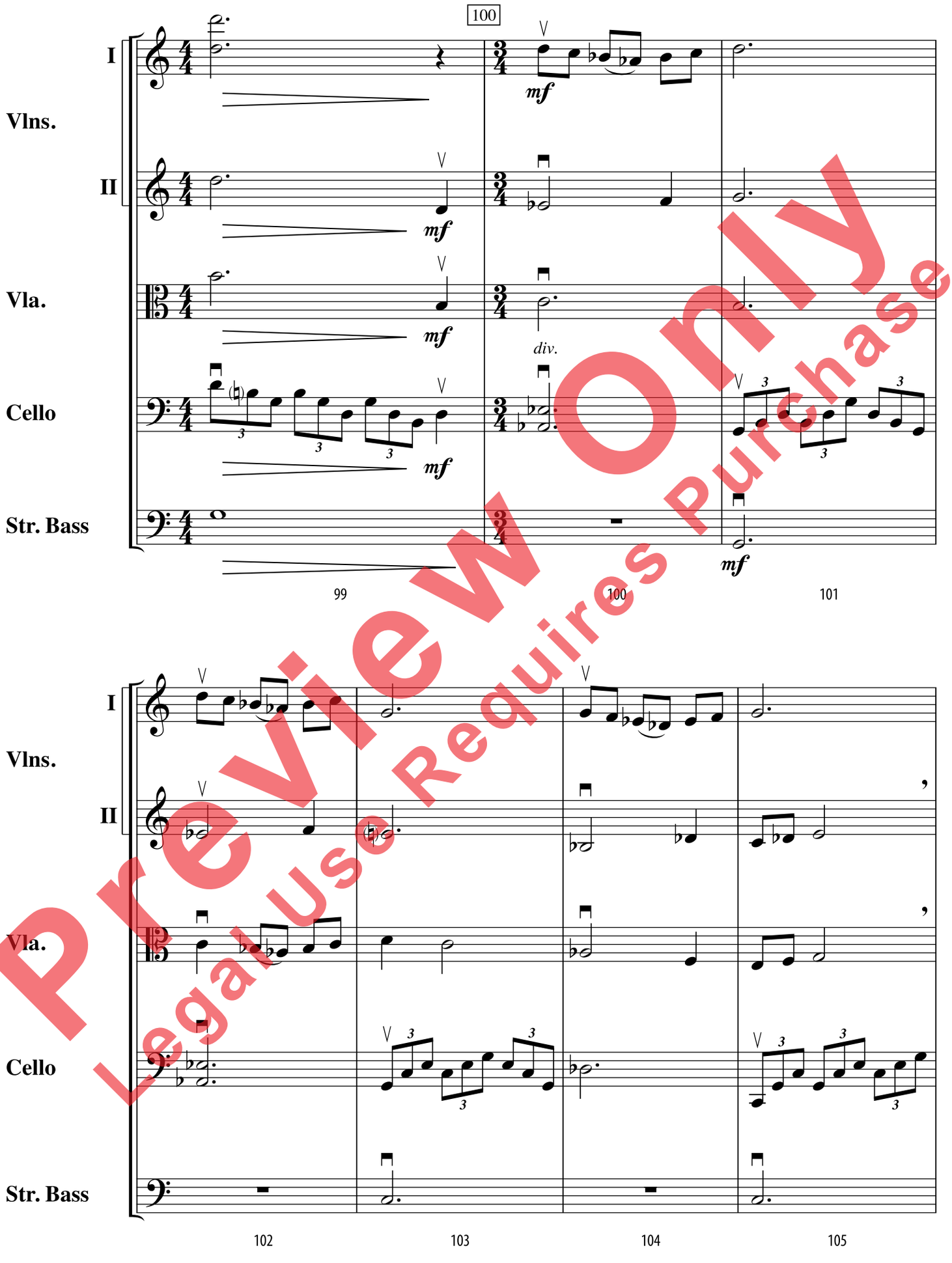

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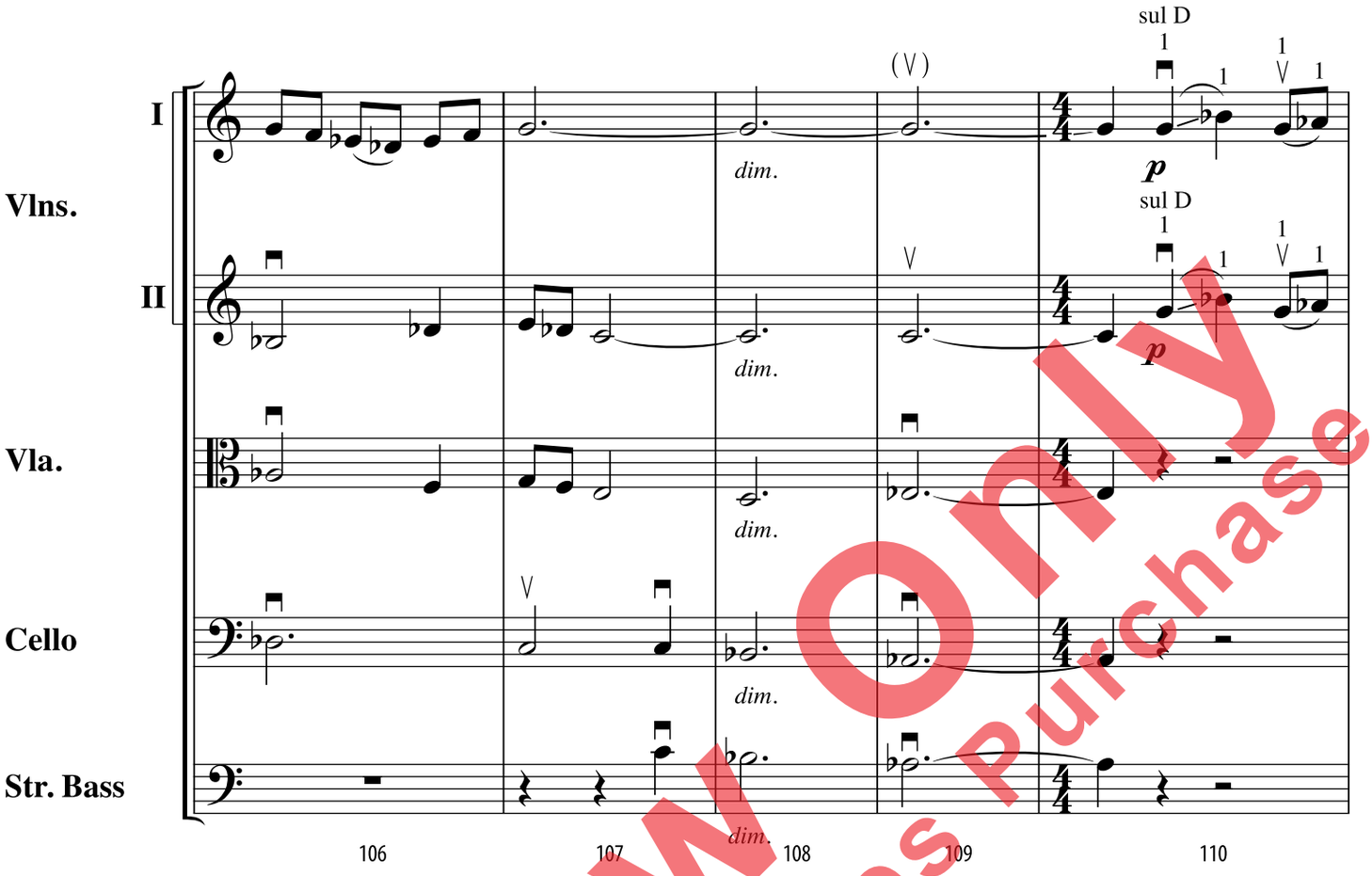

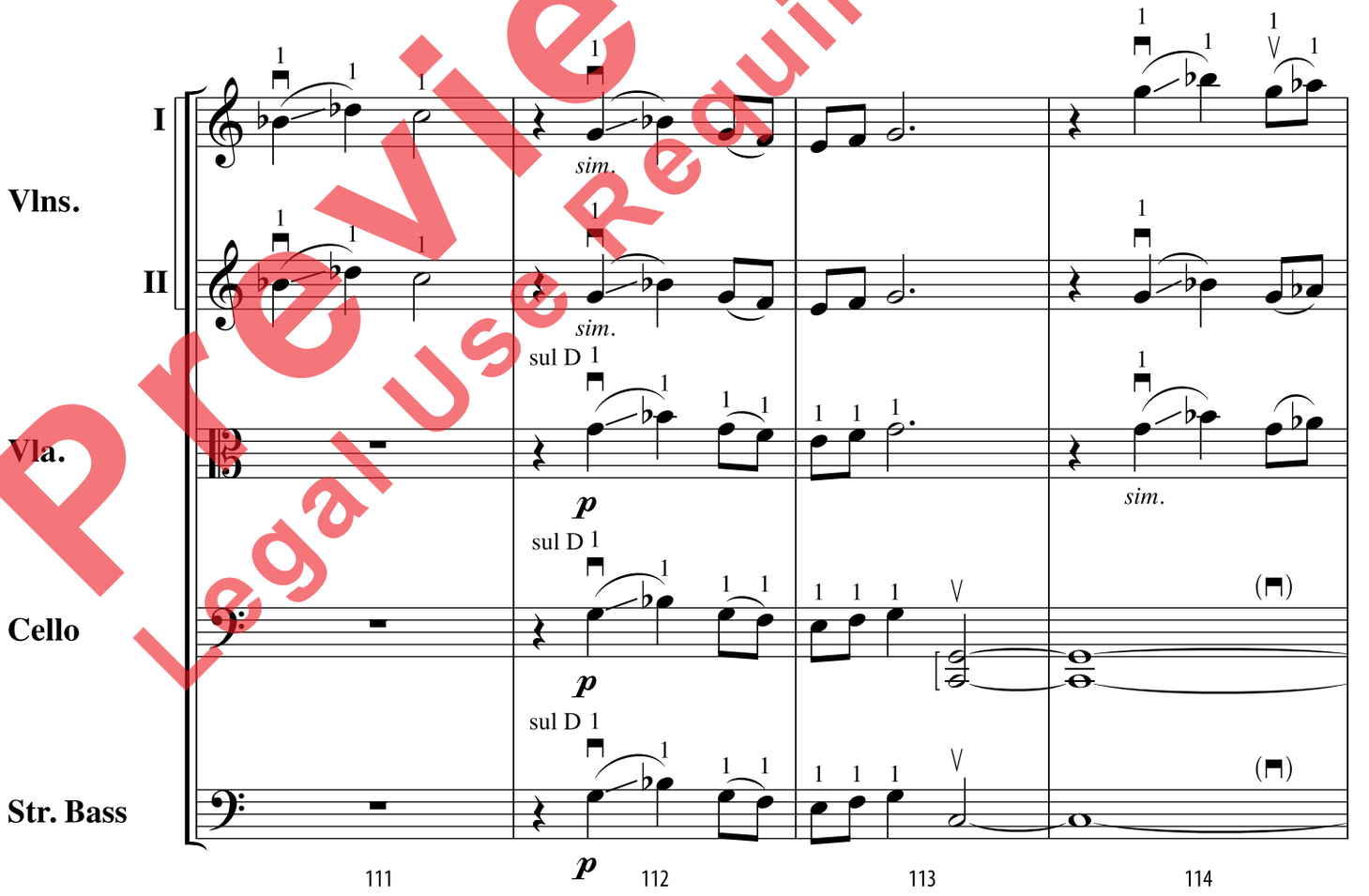

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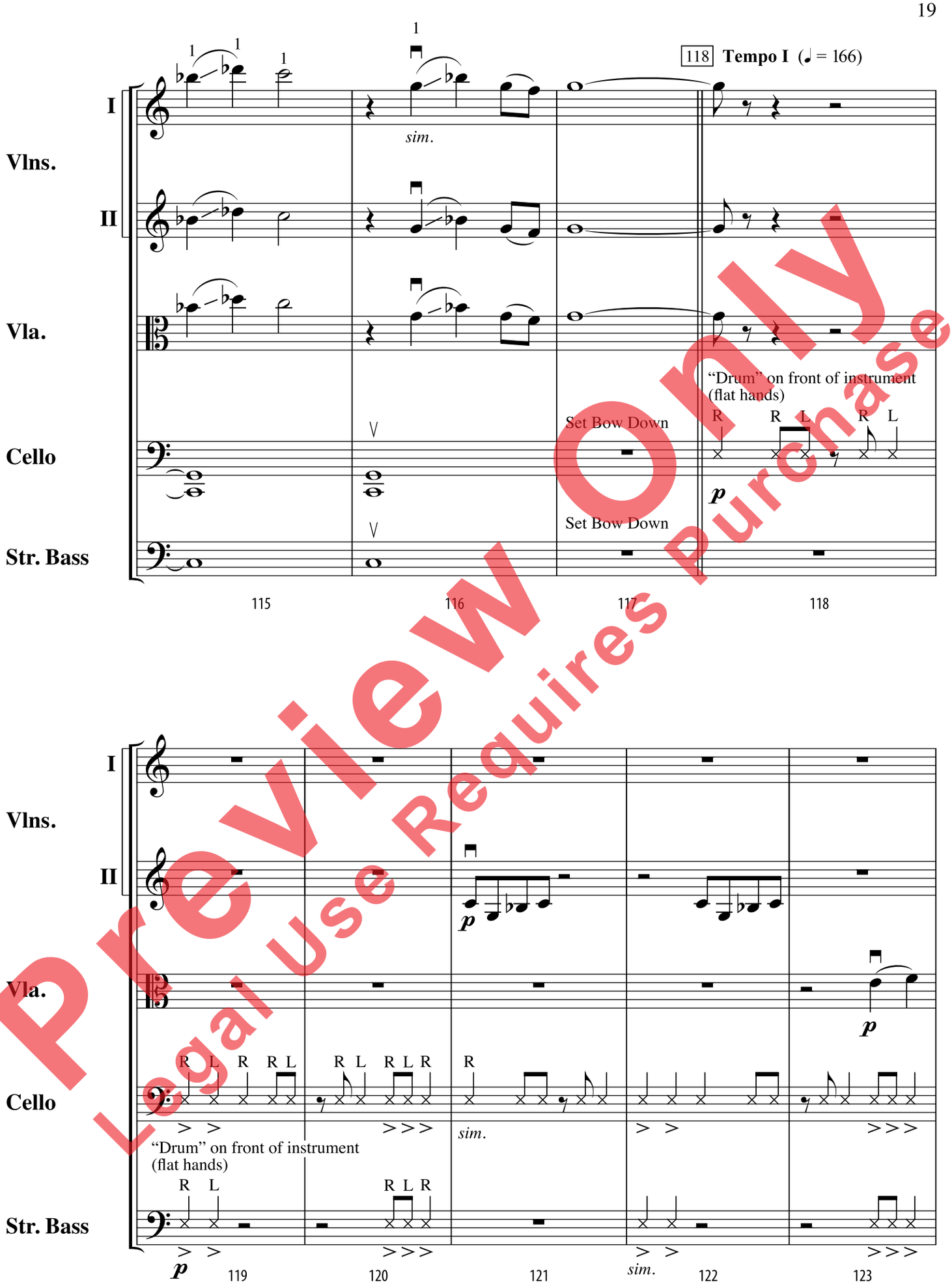

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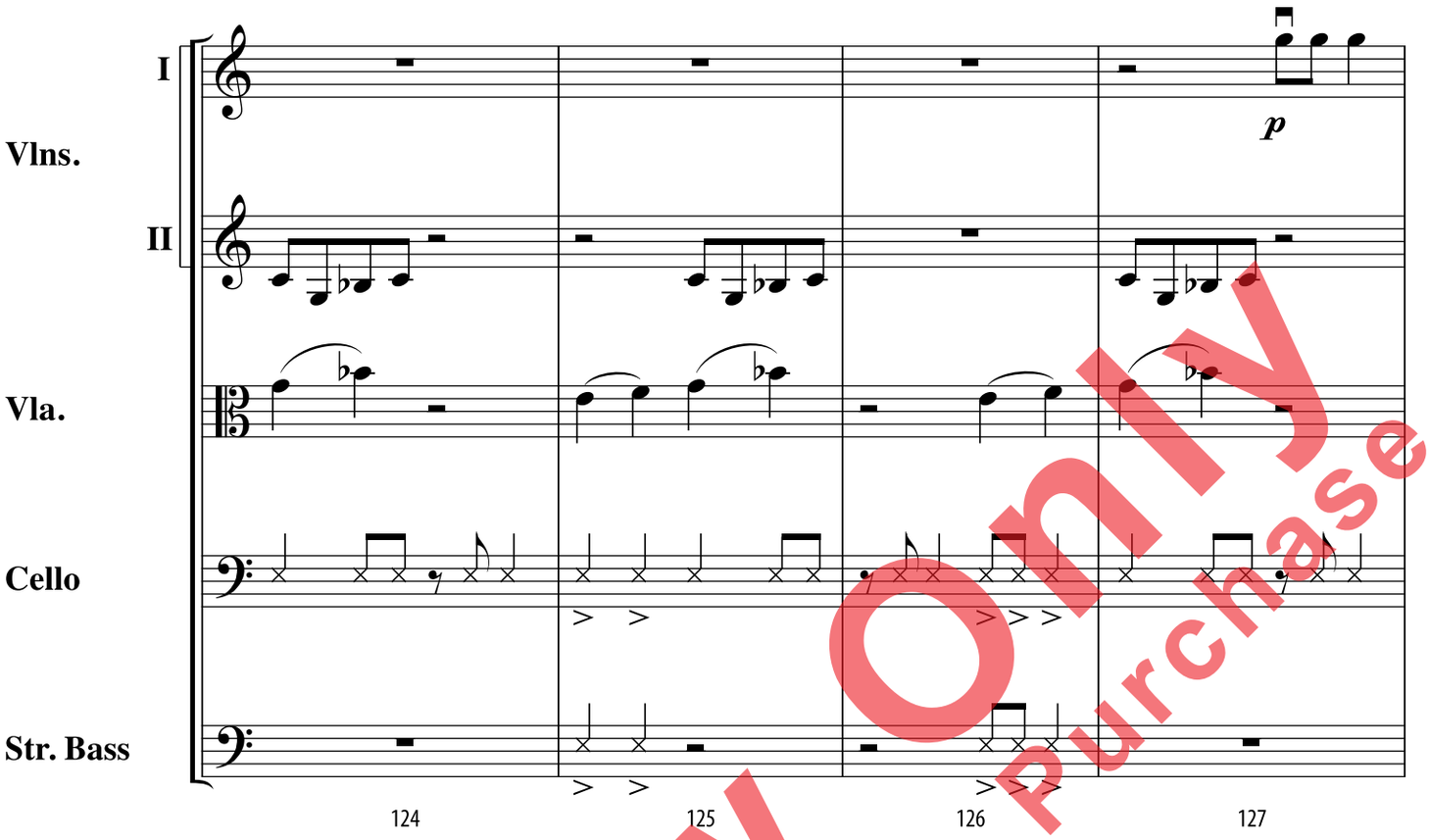

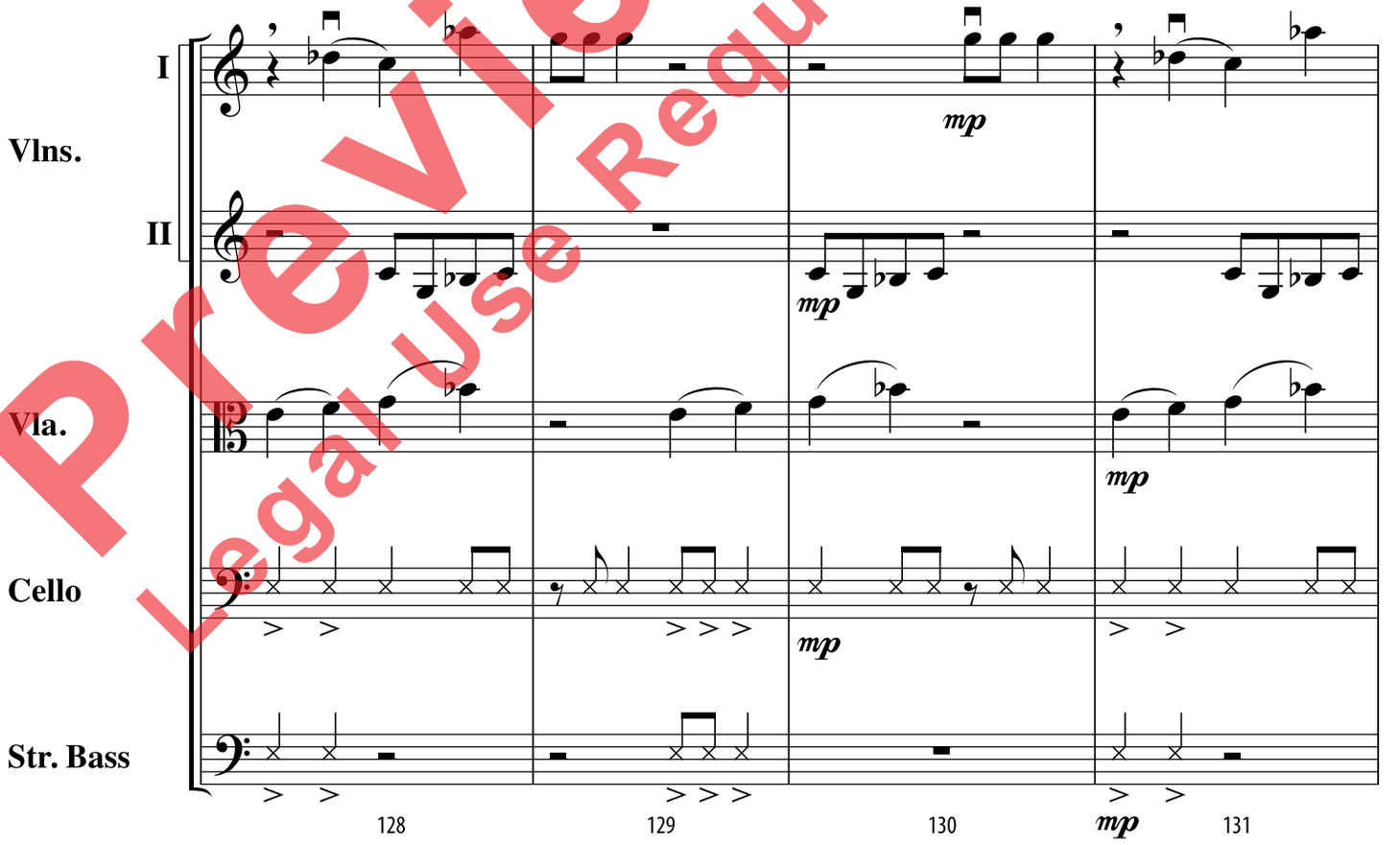

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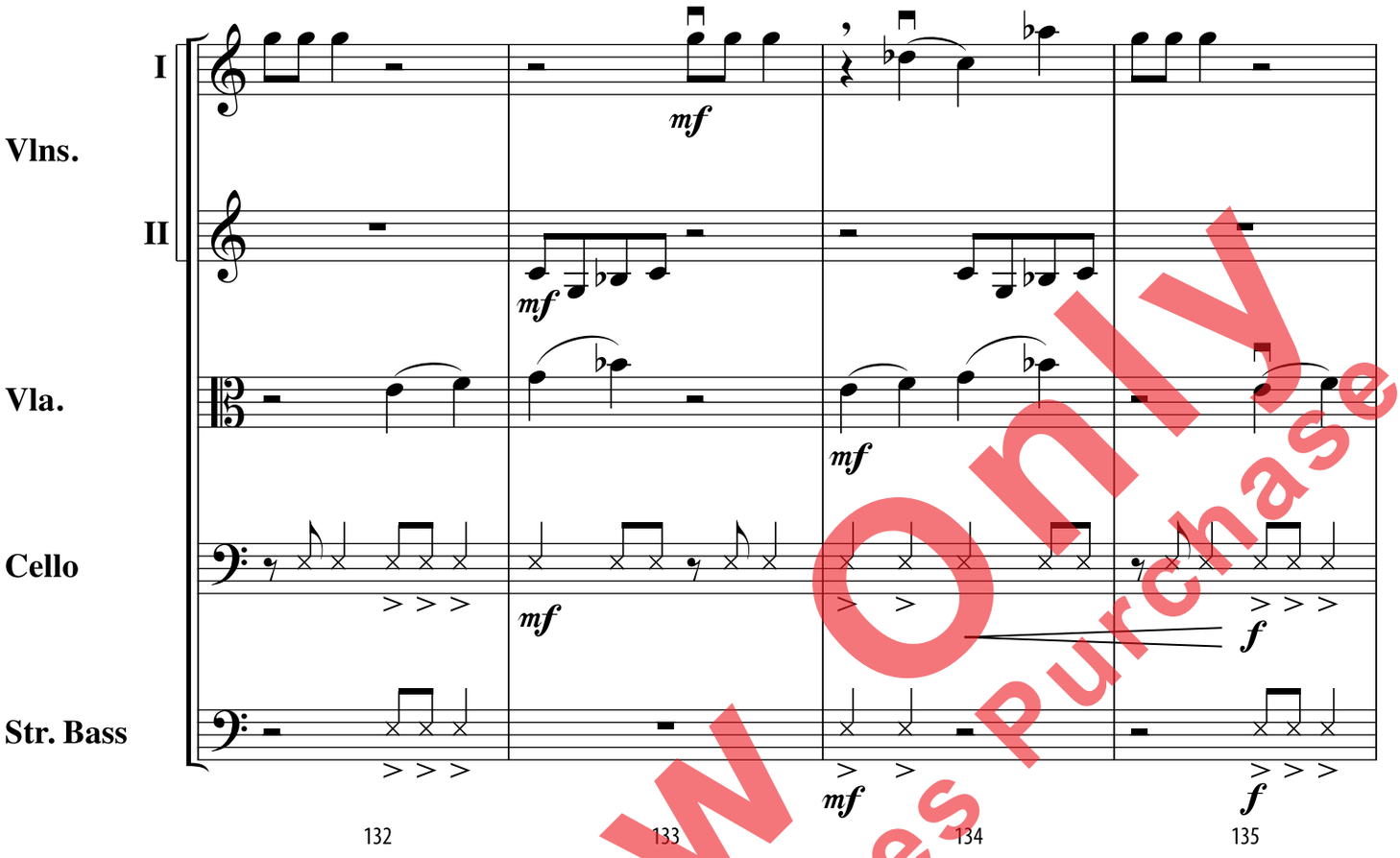

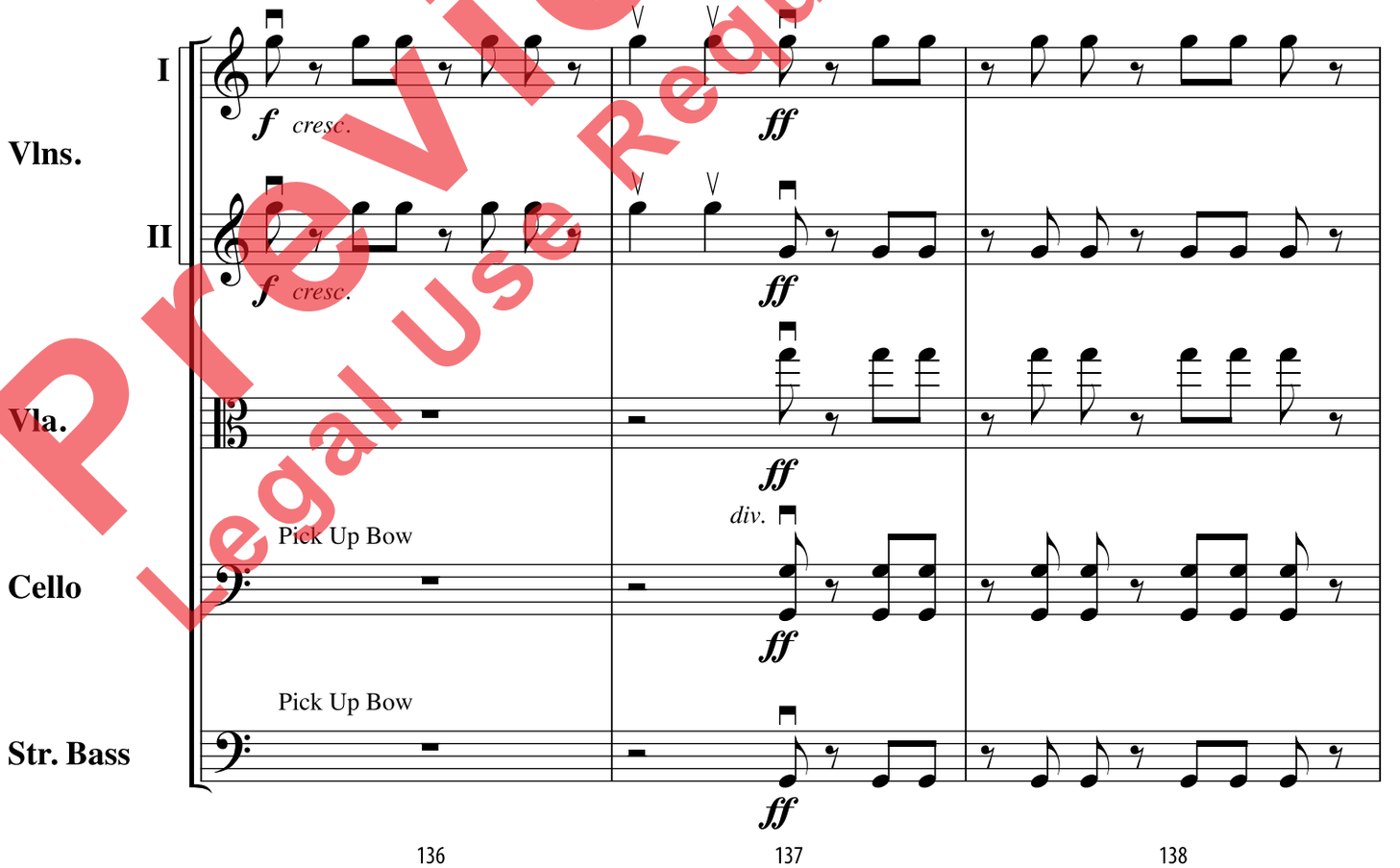

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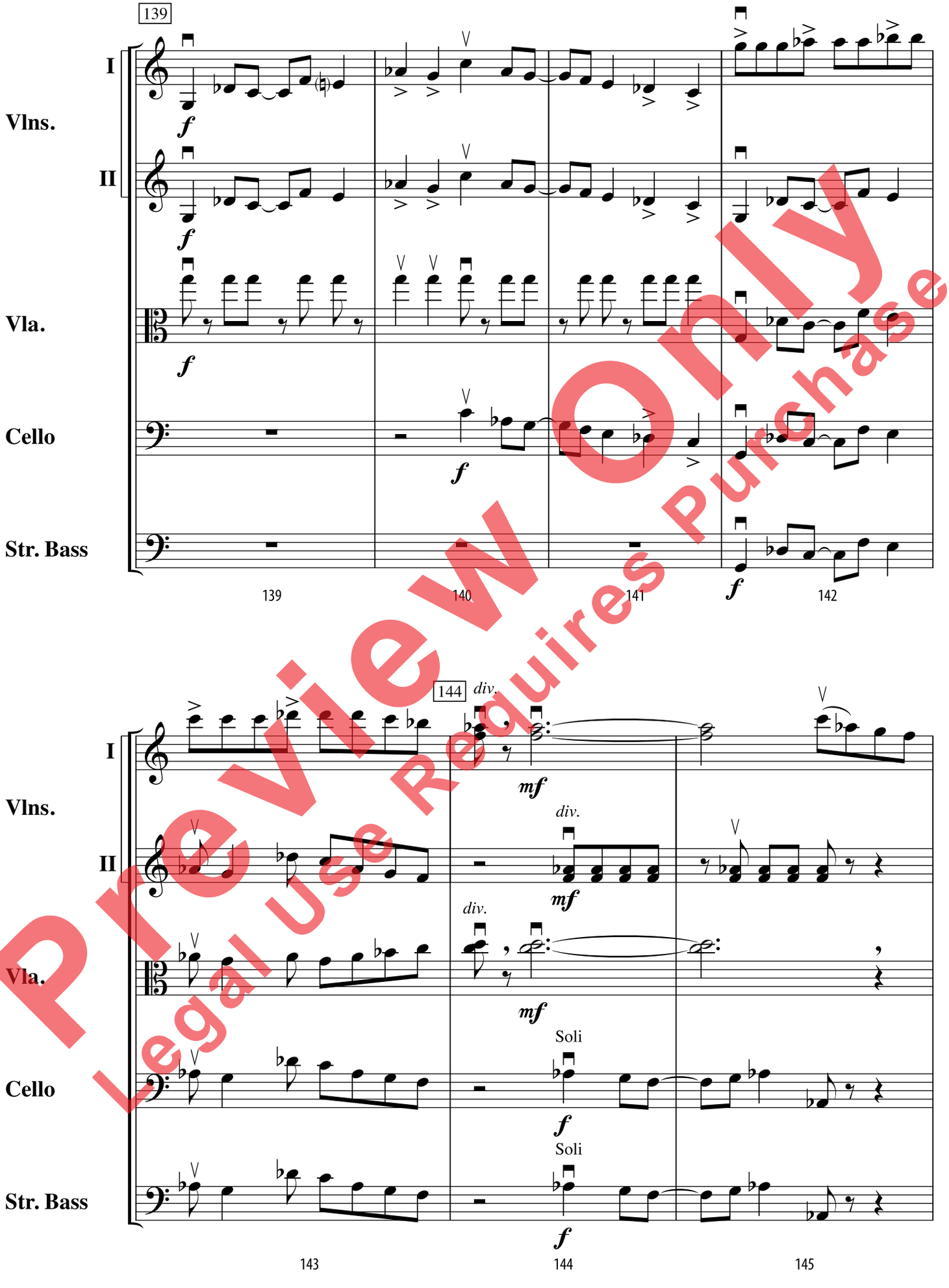

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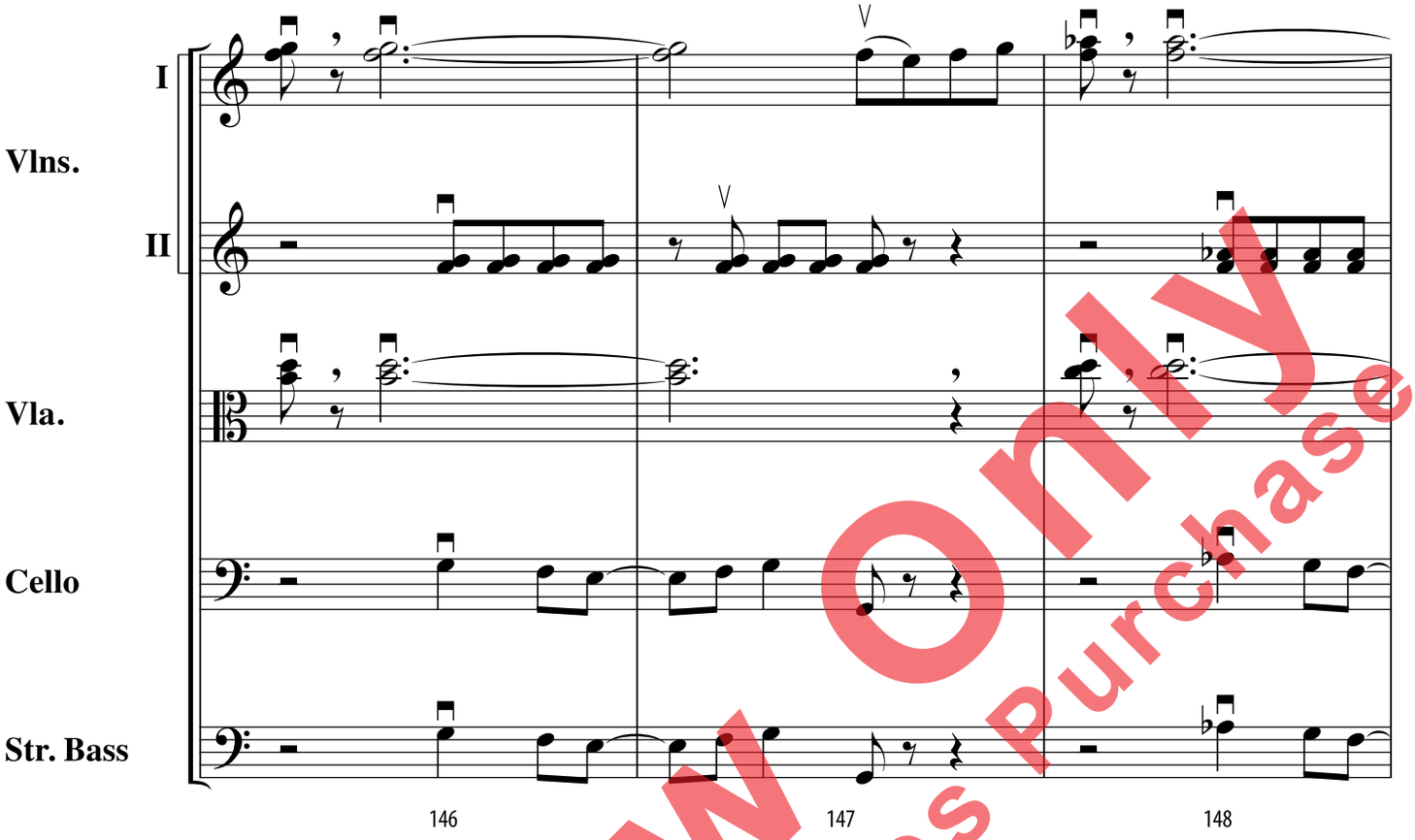

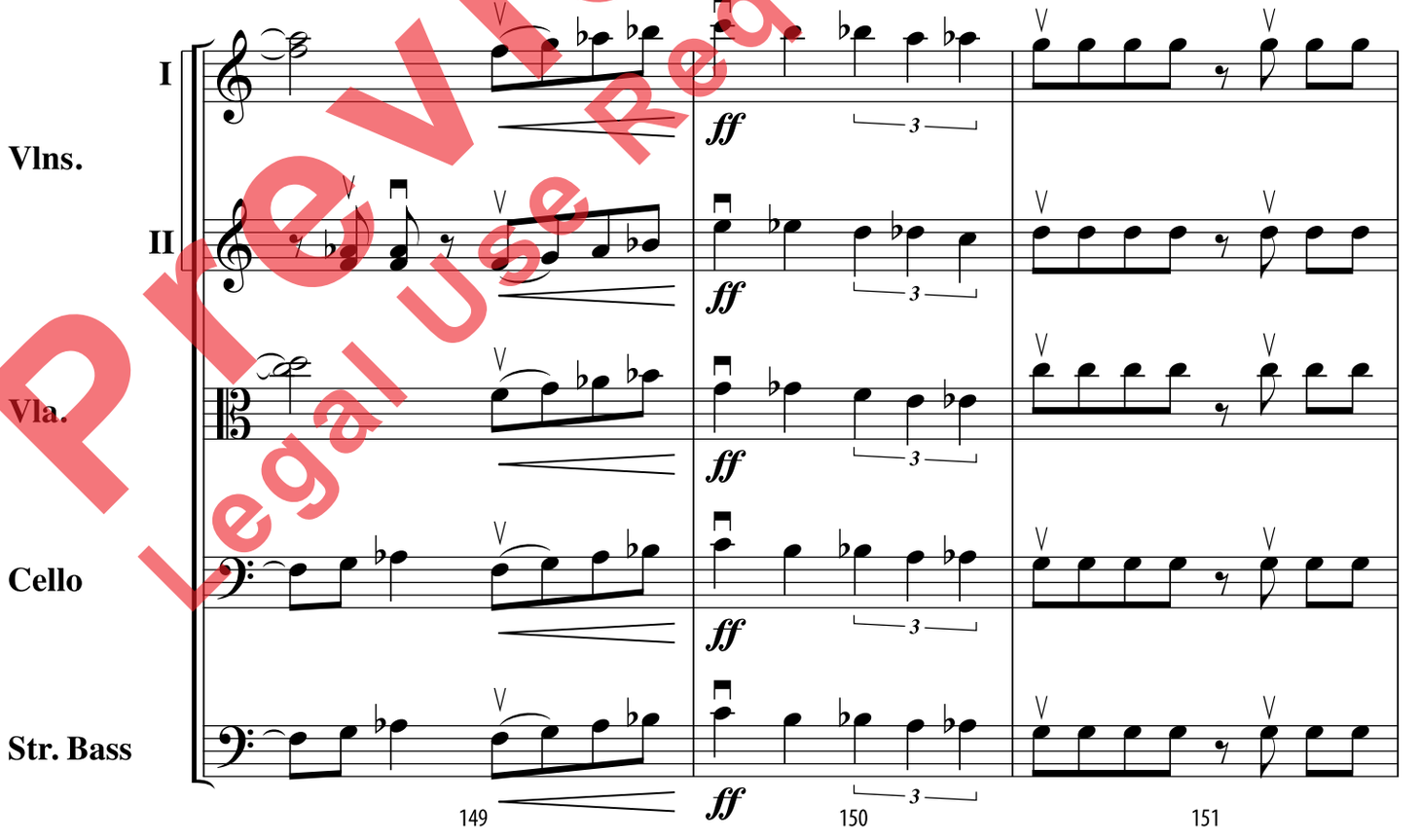

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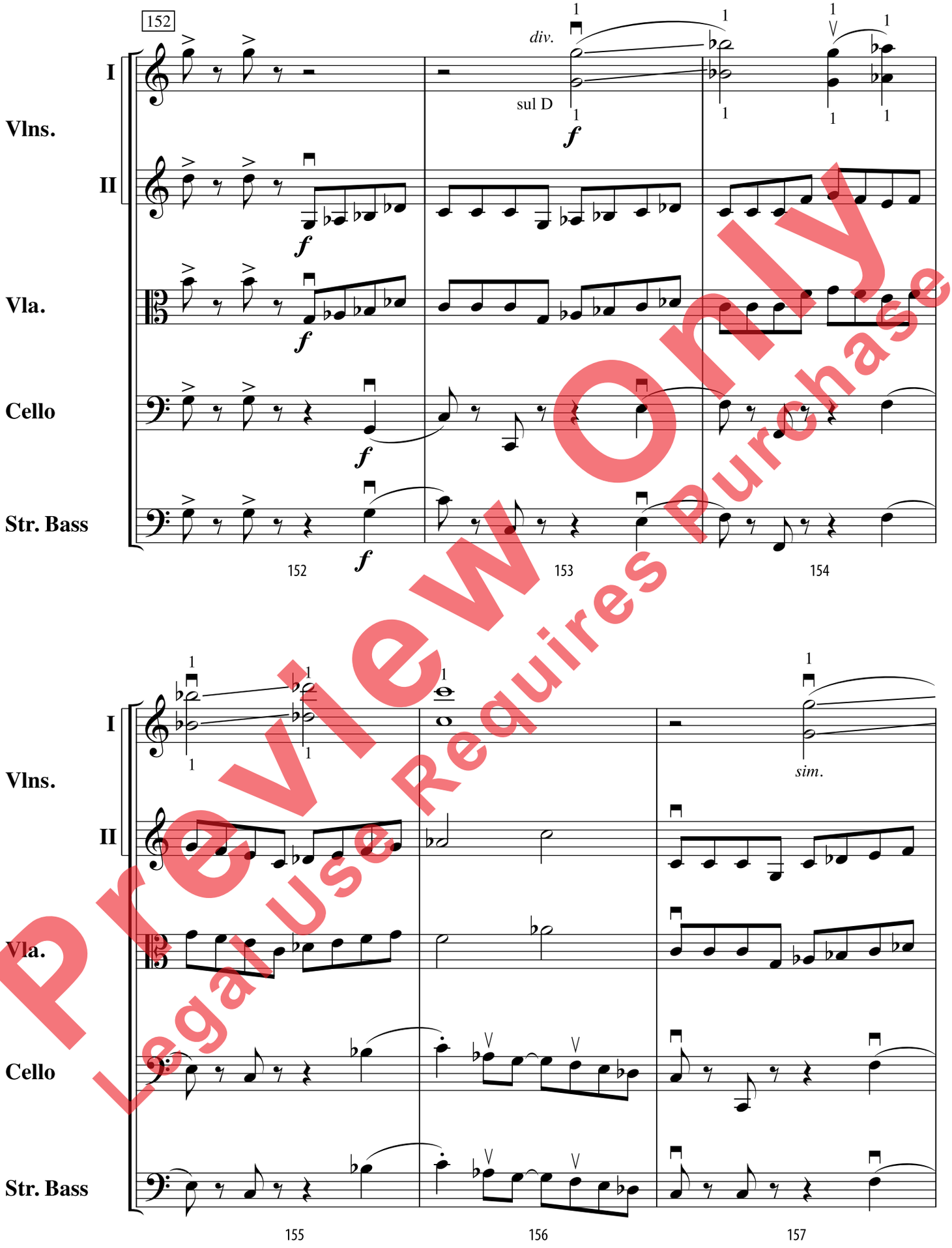

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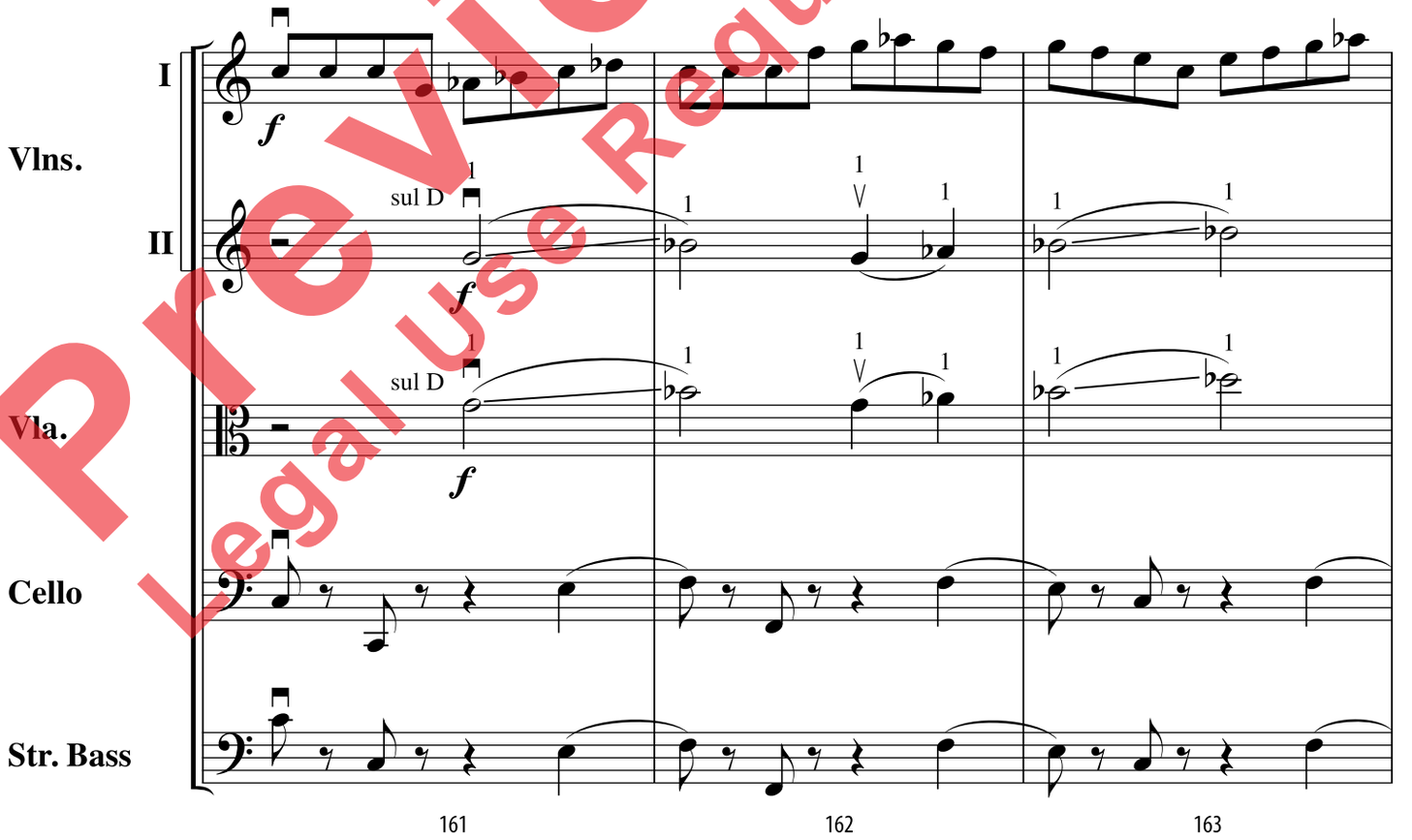

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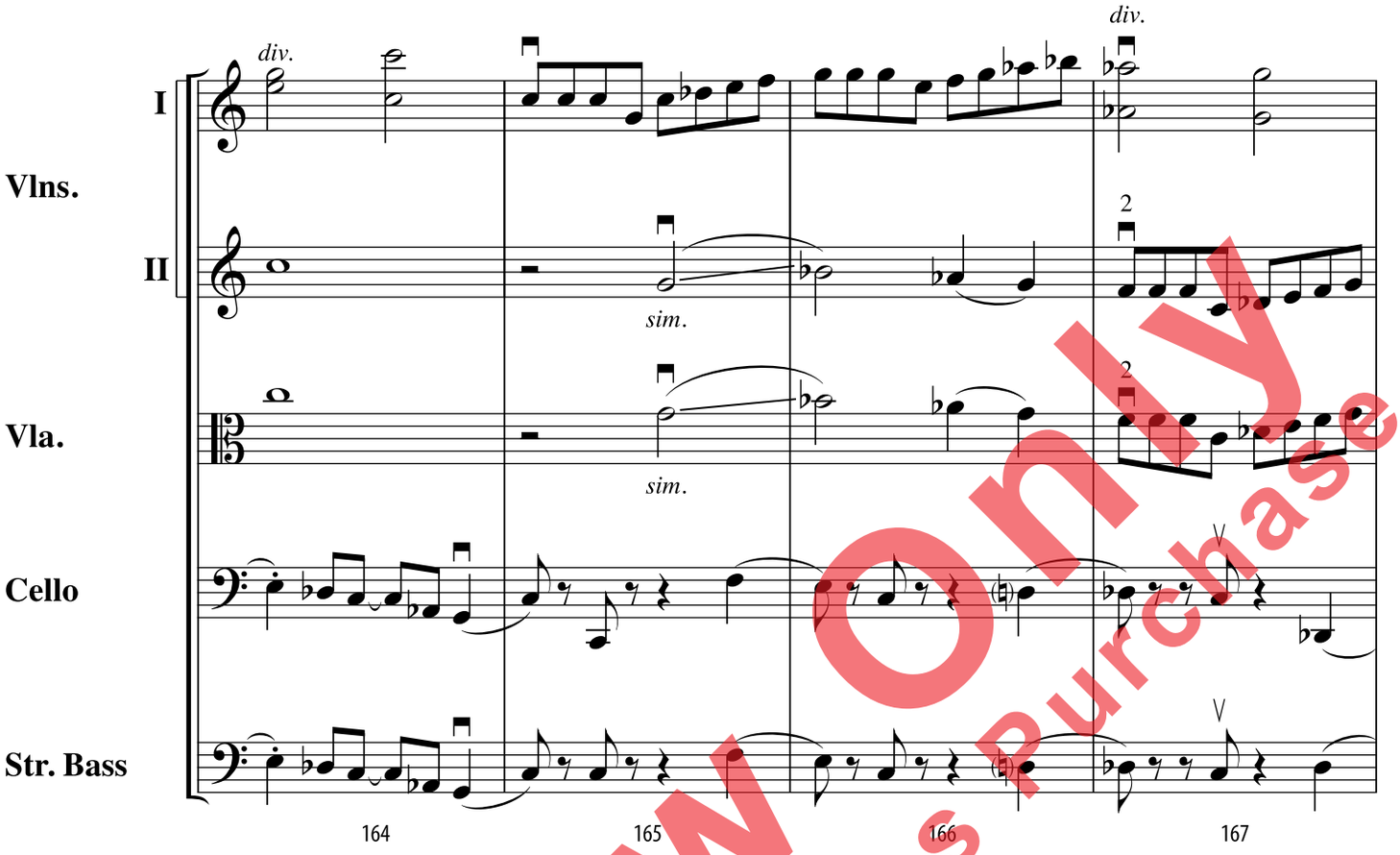

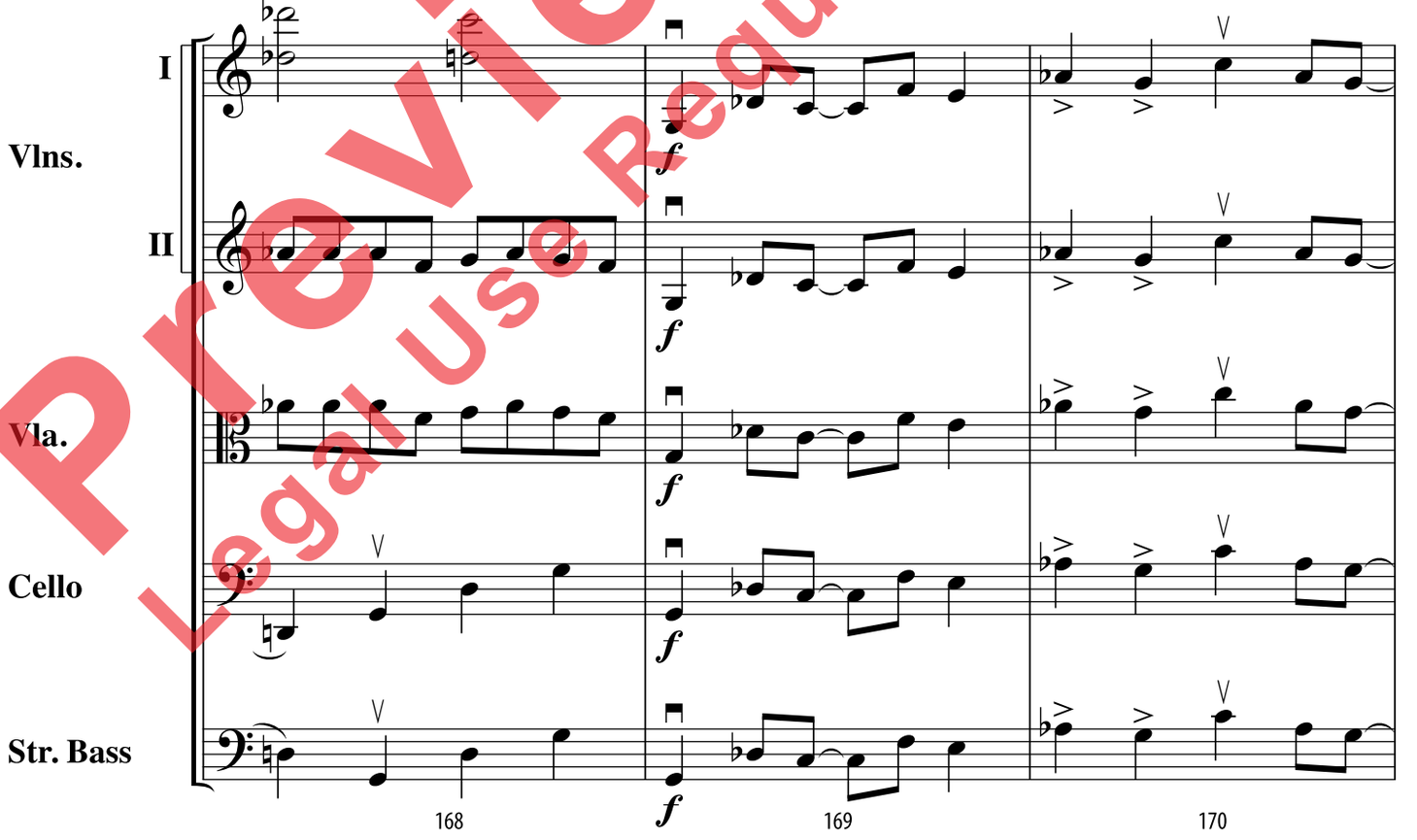

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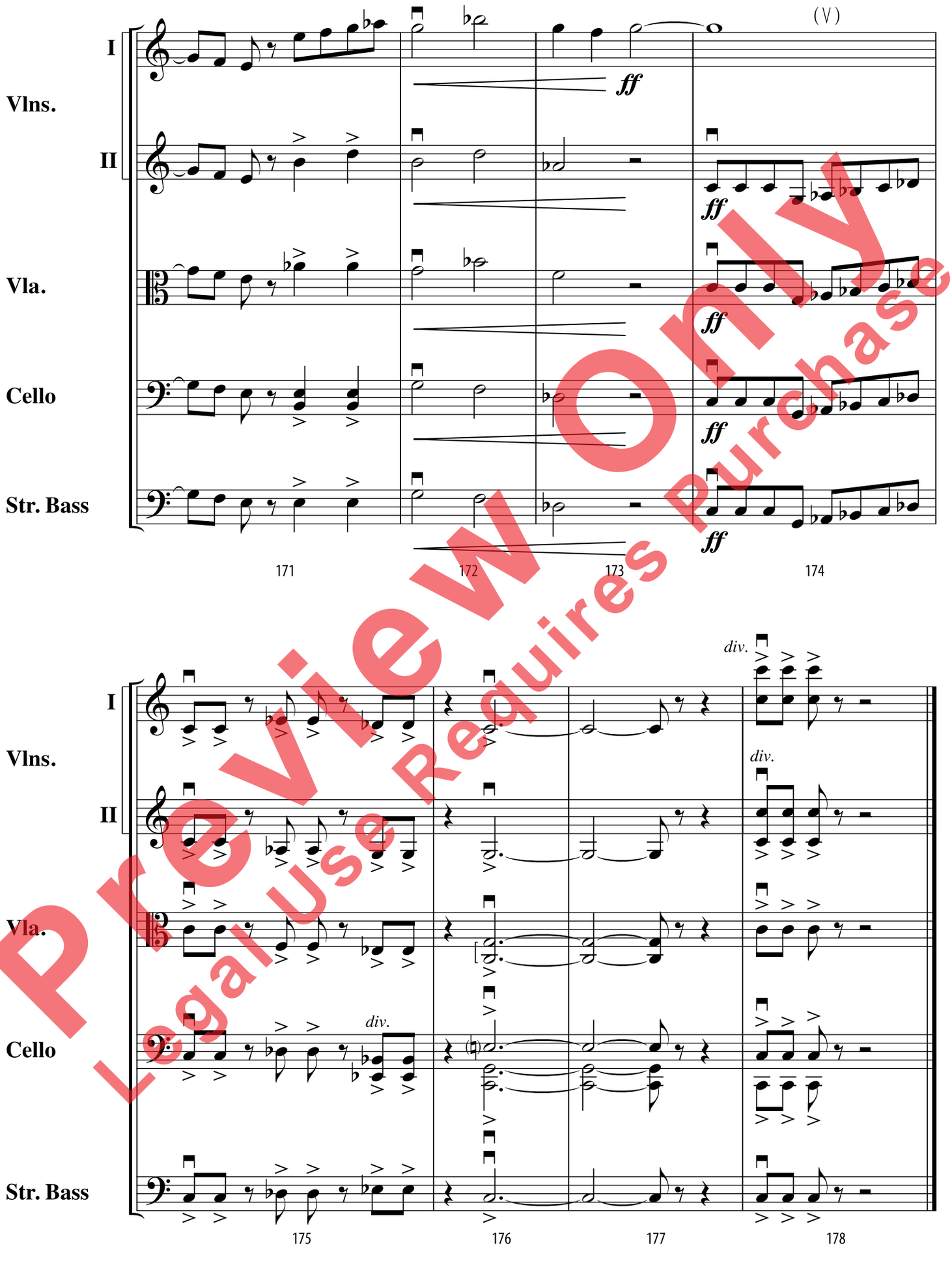

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