*Gwyneth Walker*

# *Piano Book*

*Peace On Earth*
*The Sky of the Eternal*
*Joy – The Passage of Life*
*Benediction – Let Us All Live in Peace*

*These short piano works were inspired by readings from the back section of the Unitarian Hymnal, Singing the Living Tradition. [For example, #417 and others are linked to the first movement, #439 and others to the second, #471 and others to the third and #493 and others to the fourth.] However, the sentiments expressed in this music are so widely relevant, that any selected readings may be used. Or, the music may be performed without readings.*

*The title of **Piano Book** will serve to encompass a variety of new piano works to be composed in the coming years. This will be an ongoing anthology.*

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*February 10, 2013*

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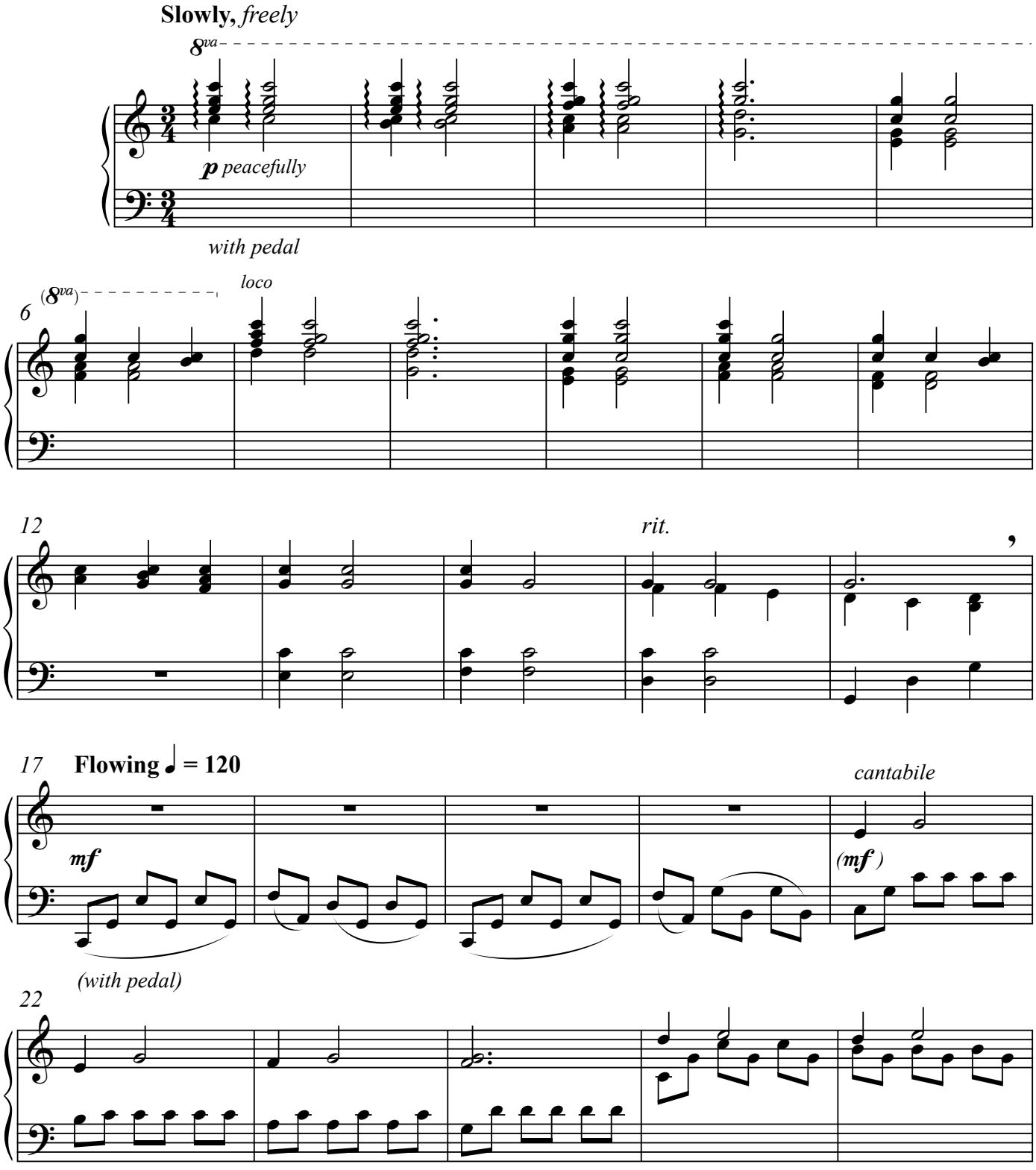
## 1. Peace On Earth

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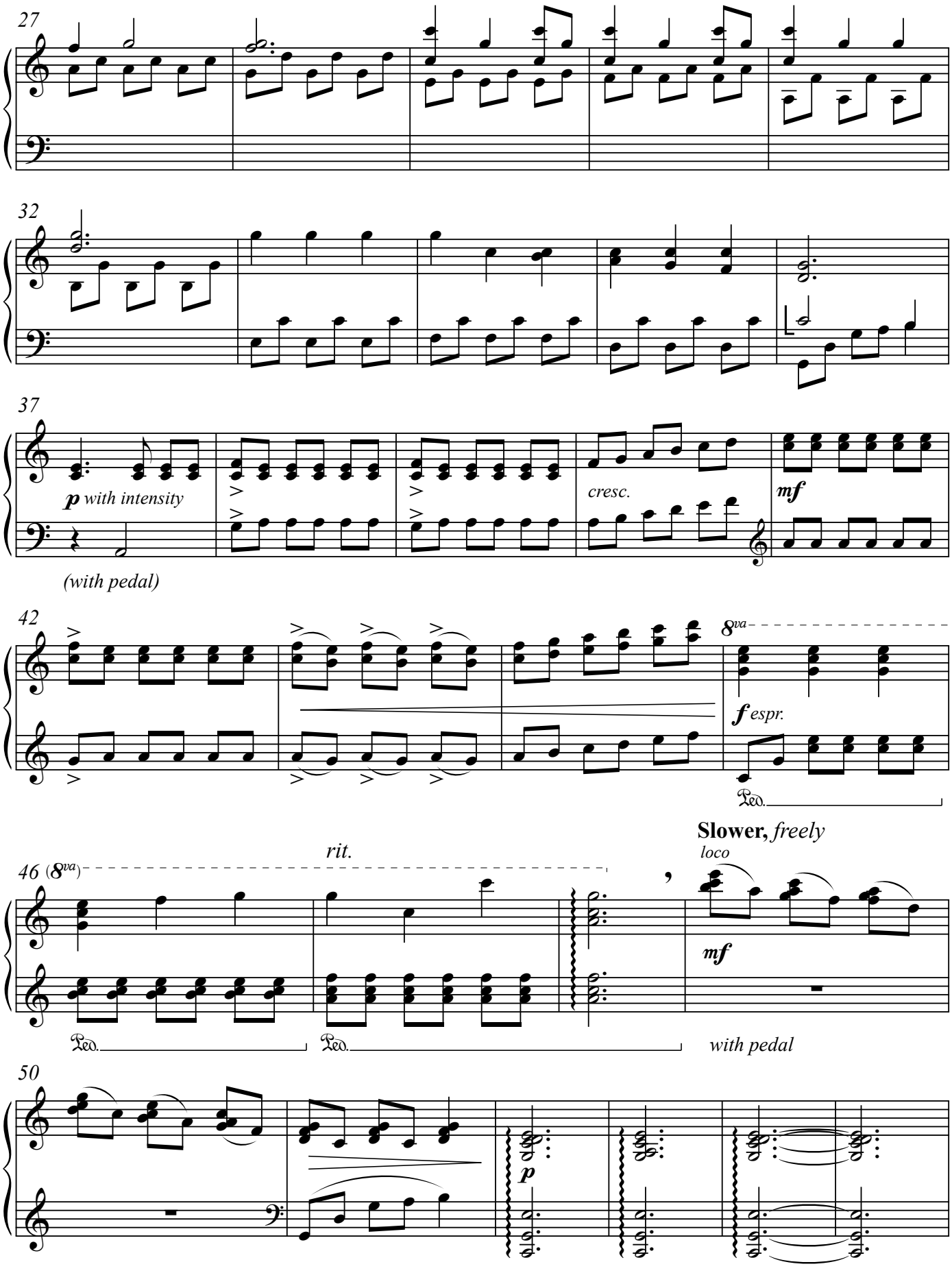
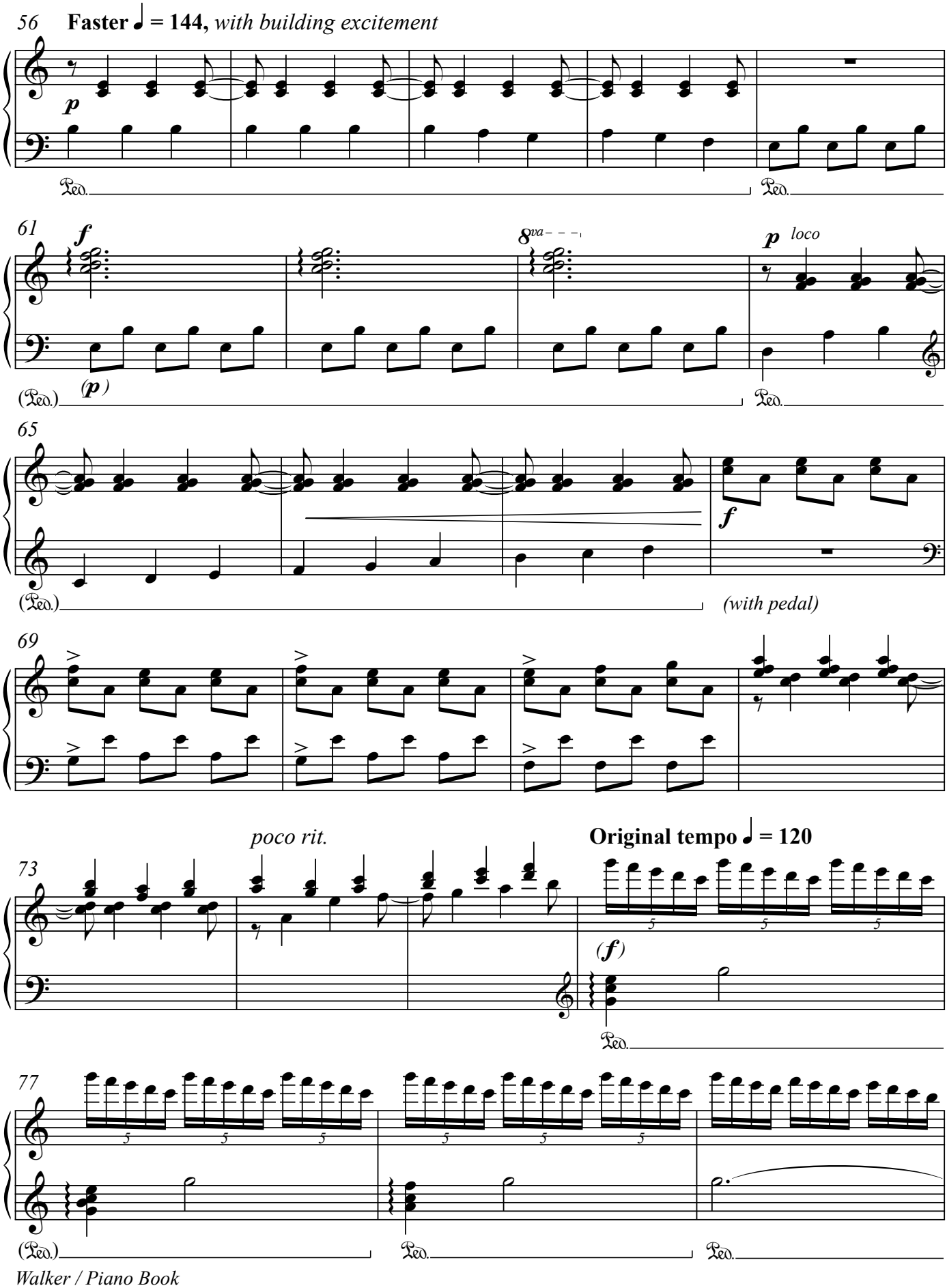
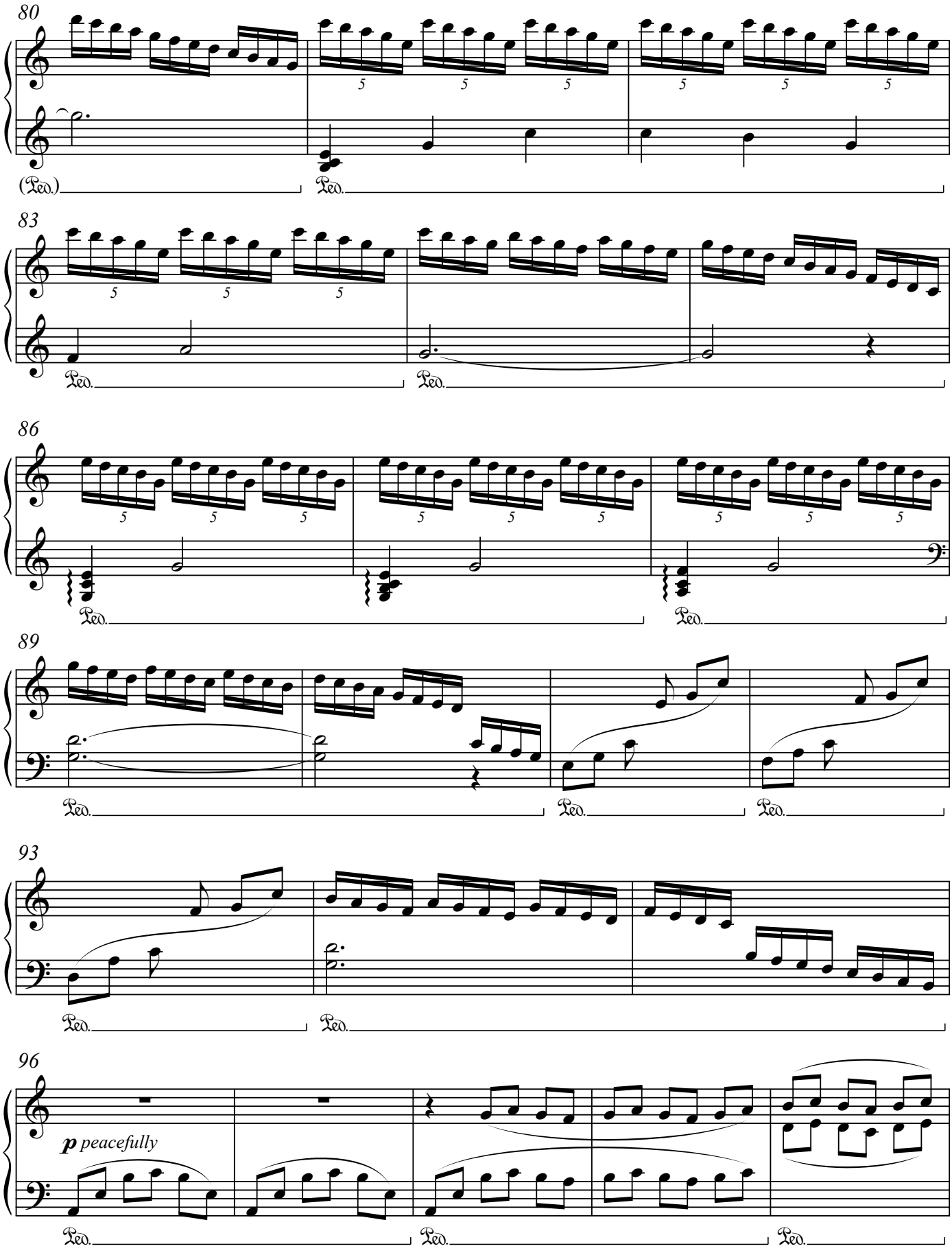
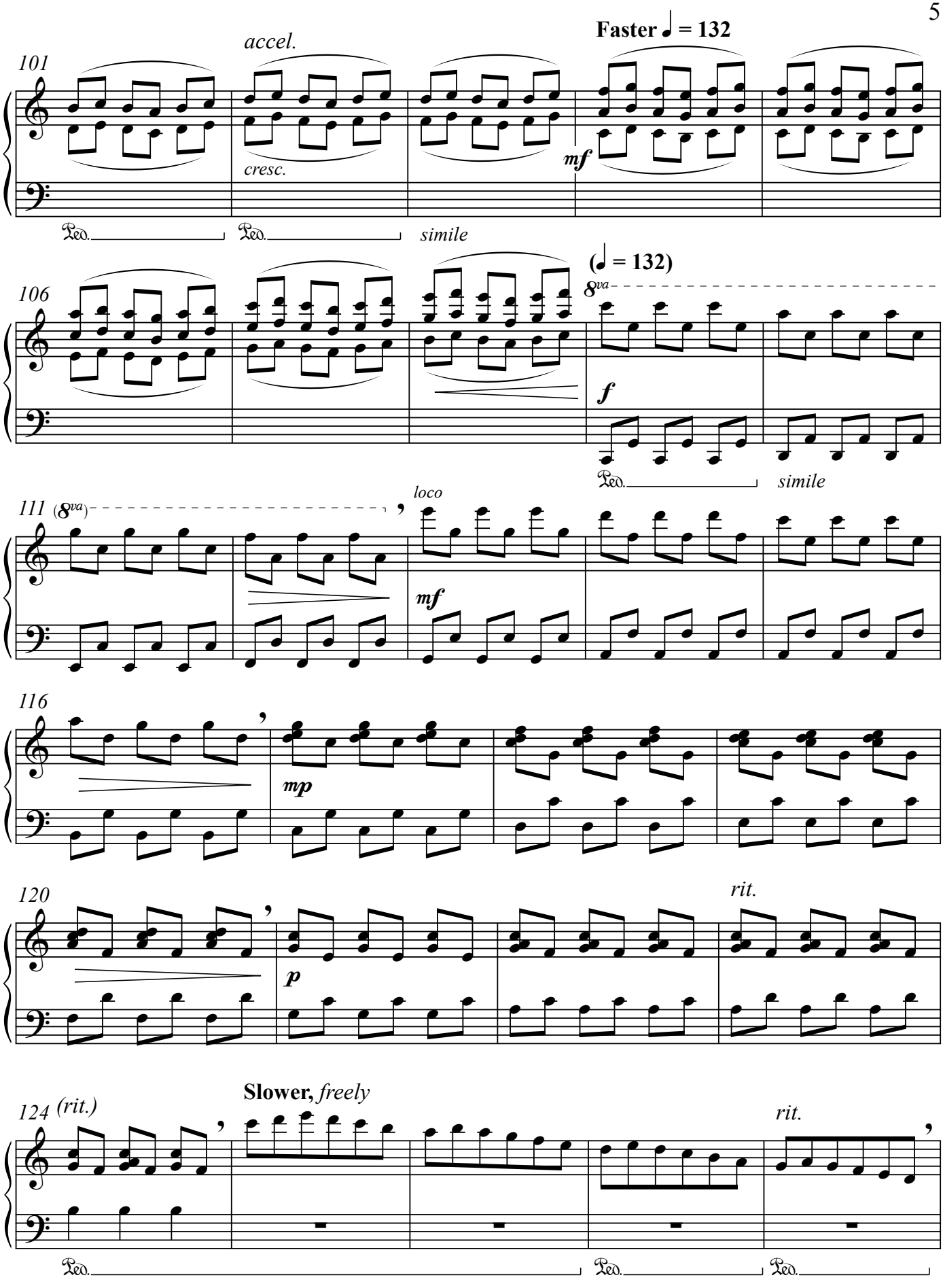

27
32
37
p with intensity
cresc.
mf
(with pedal)
42
8va
f espr.
Ped.
46 (8va)
rit.
Slower, freely
loco
mf
Ped.
Ped.
with pedal
50
p

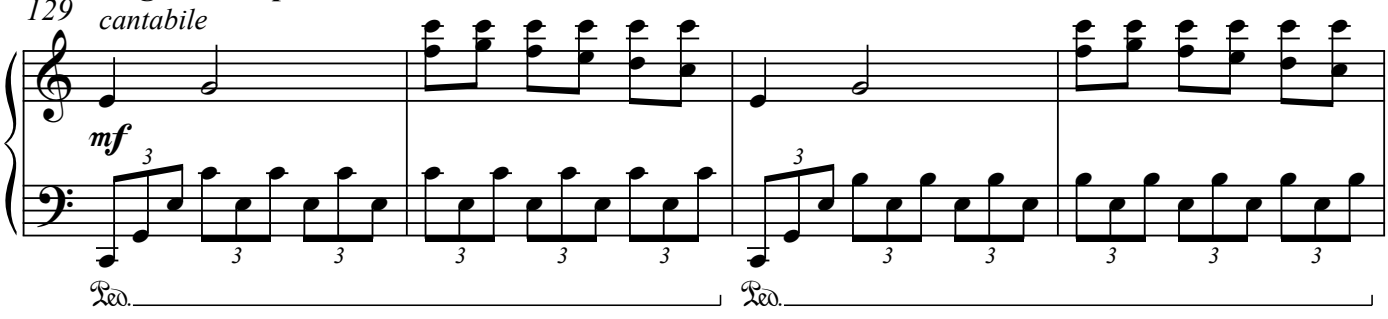

56
Faster ♩ = 144, with building excitement
p
Ped.
Ped.
61
f
8va
p loco
(p)
(Ped.)
Ped.
65
f
(Ped.)
(with pedal)
69
poco rit.
Original tempo ♩ = 120
73
(f)
Ped.
77
(Ped.)
Ped.
Ped.


80
(Ped.)
Ped.
83
Ped.
Ped.
86
Ped.
Ped.
89
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
93
Ped.
Ped.
96
p peacefully
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.


Faster ♩ = 132
accel.
101
cresc.
mf
Ped.
Ped.
simile
(♩ = 132)
106
8va
f
Ped.
simile
111 (8va)
loco
mf
116
mp
120
rit.
p
124 (rit.)
Slower, freely
rit.
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.

**Original tempo ♩ = 120**

129 *cantabile*

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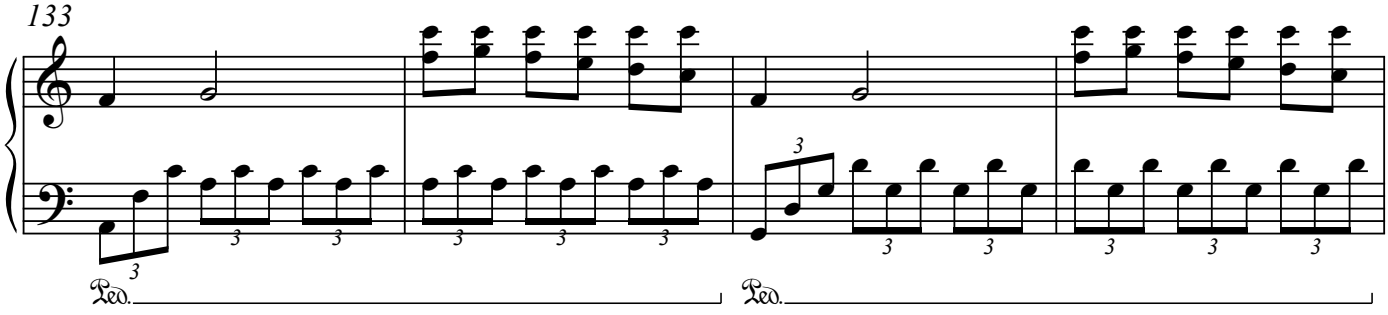


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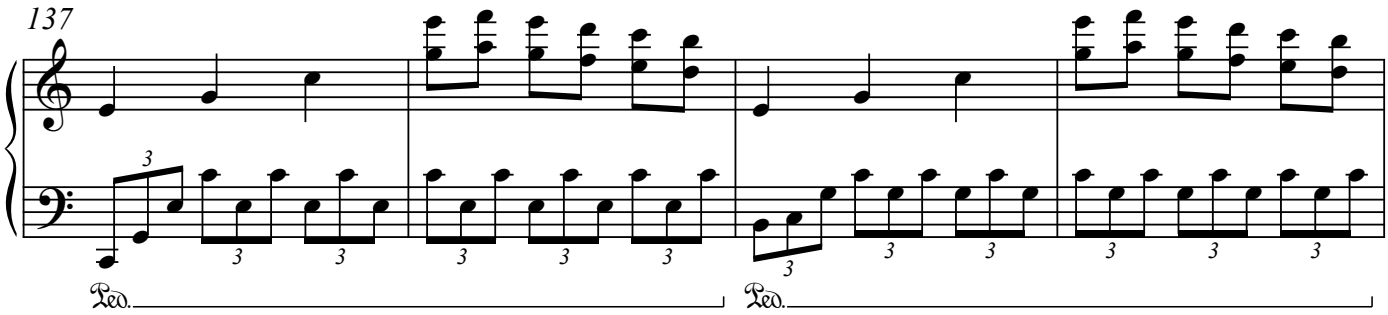


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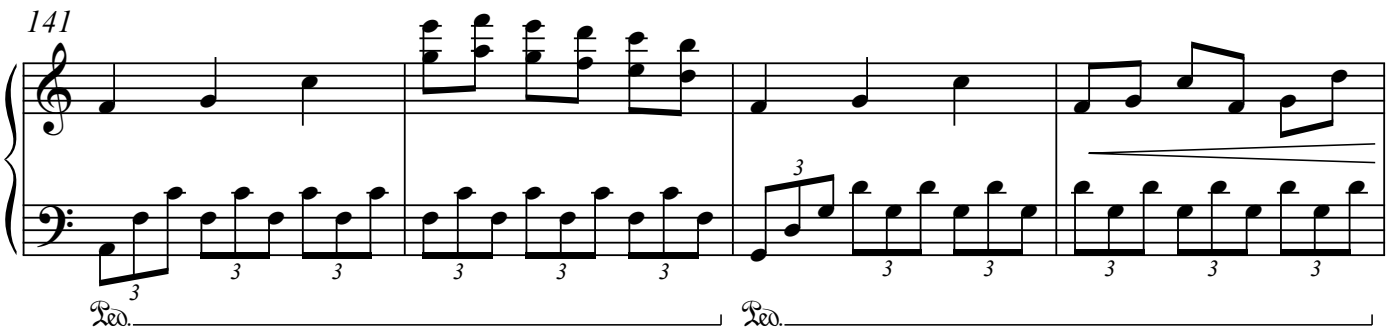


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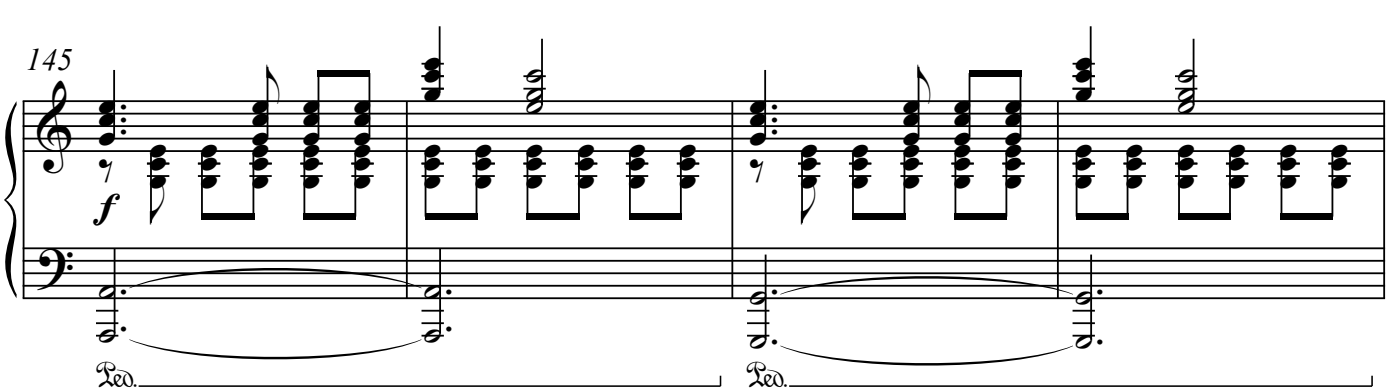

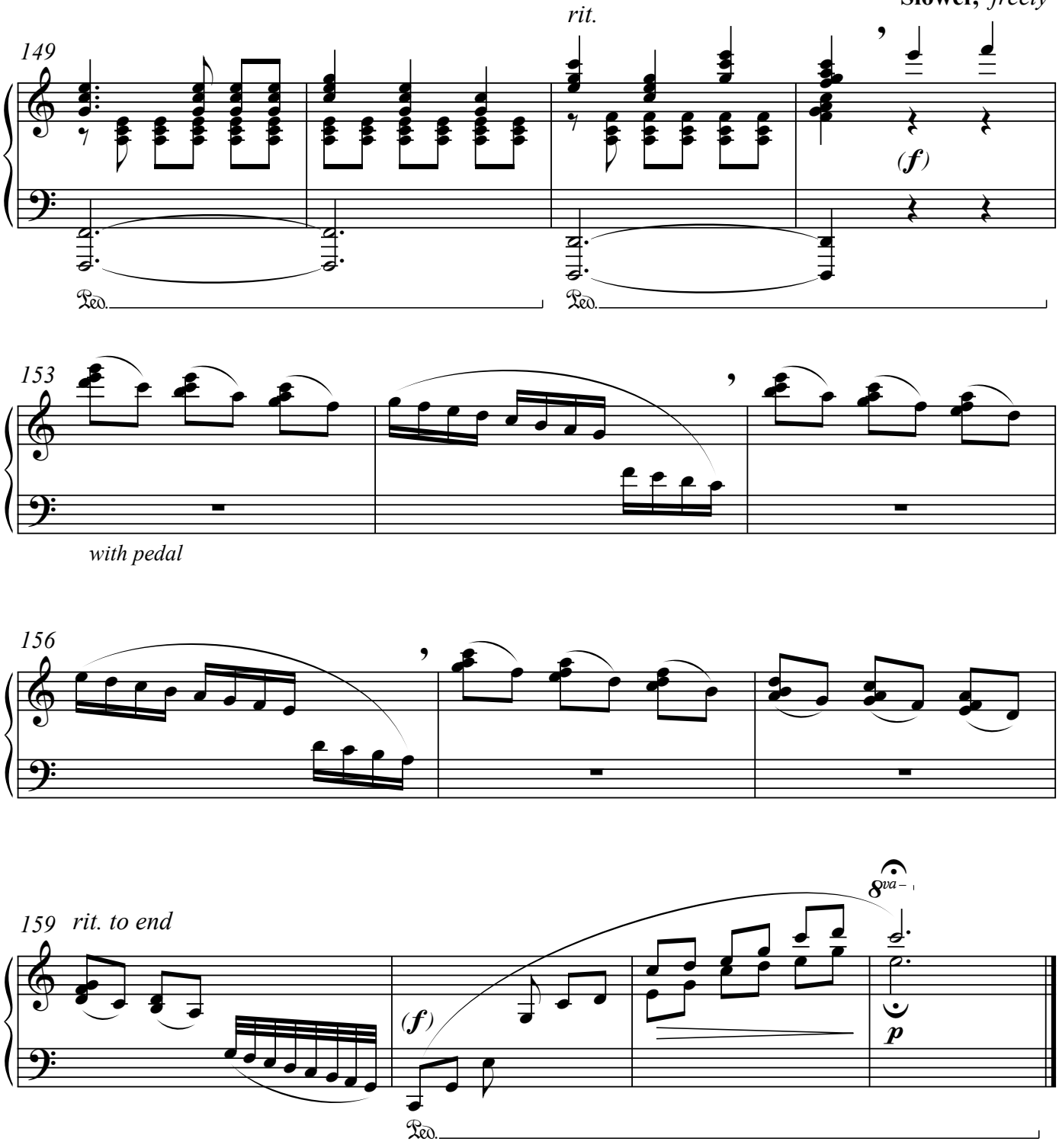


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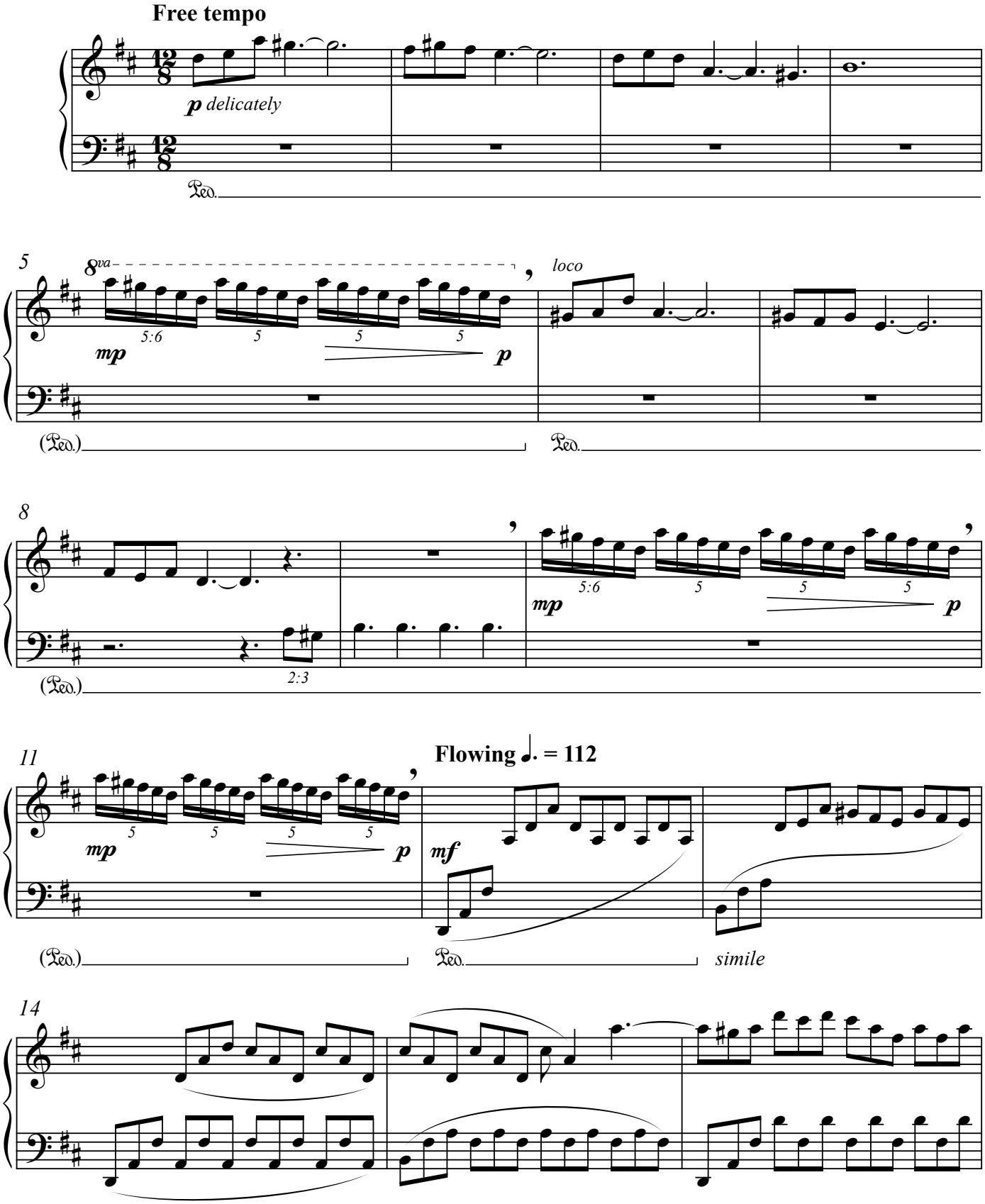
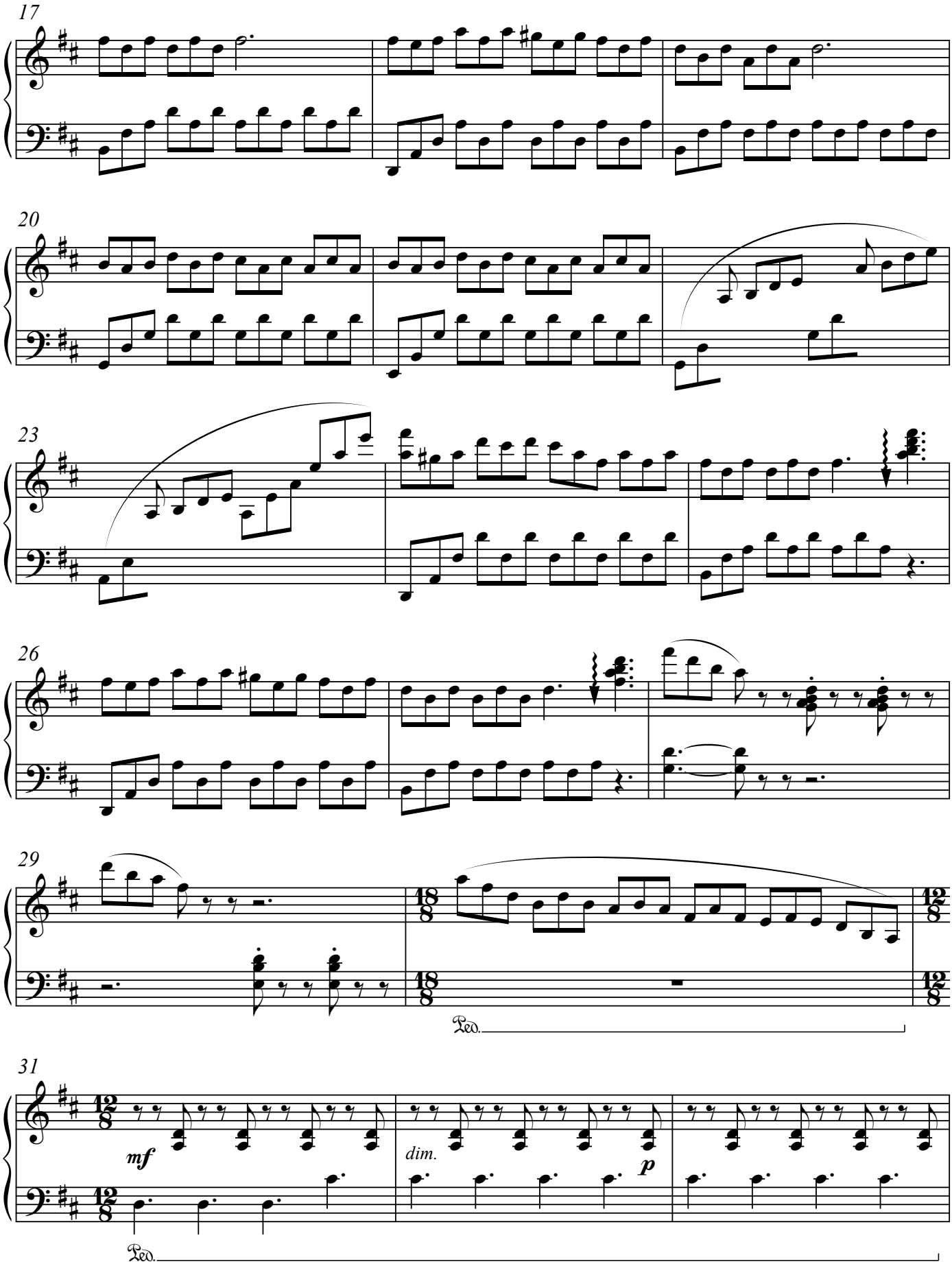
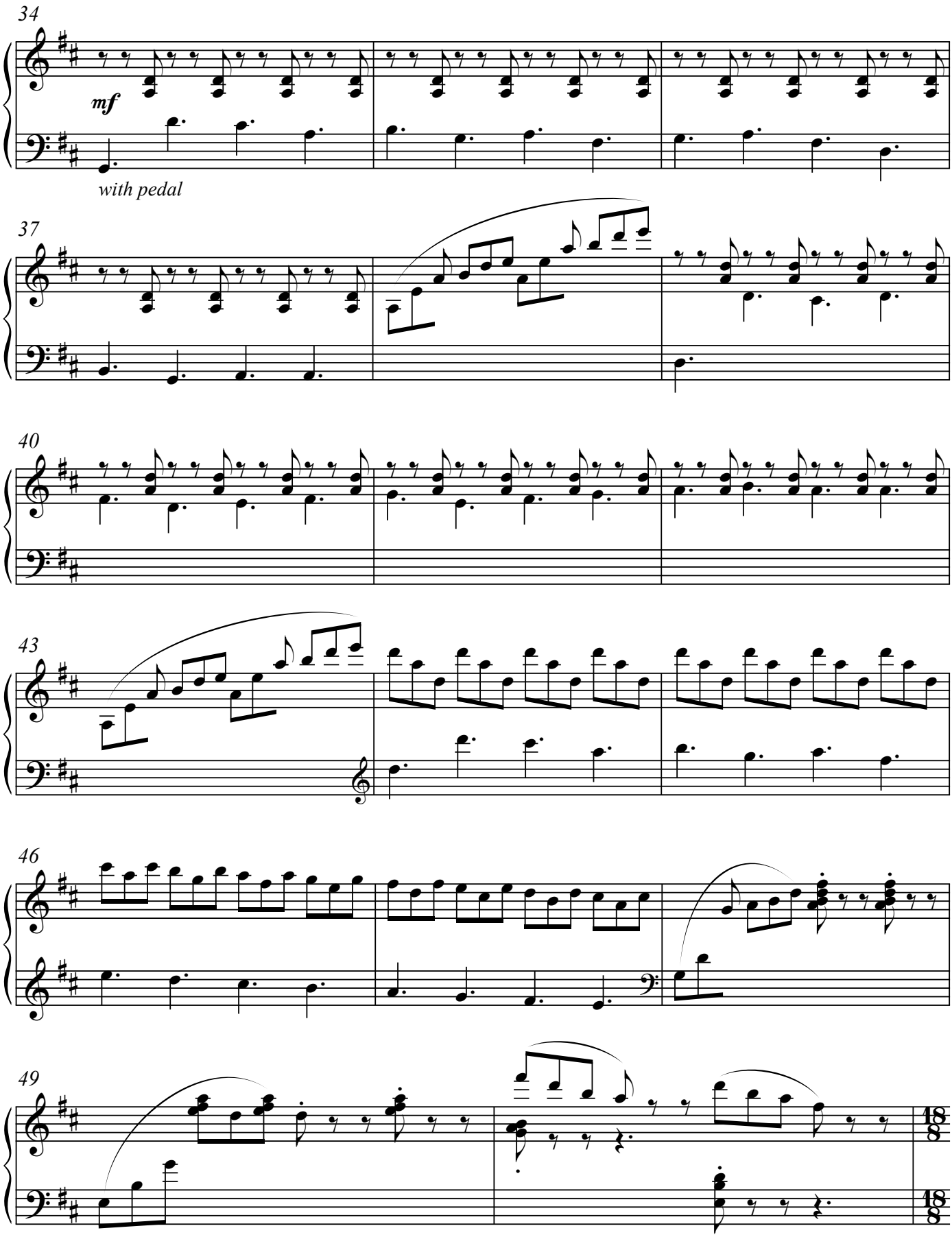
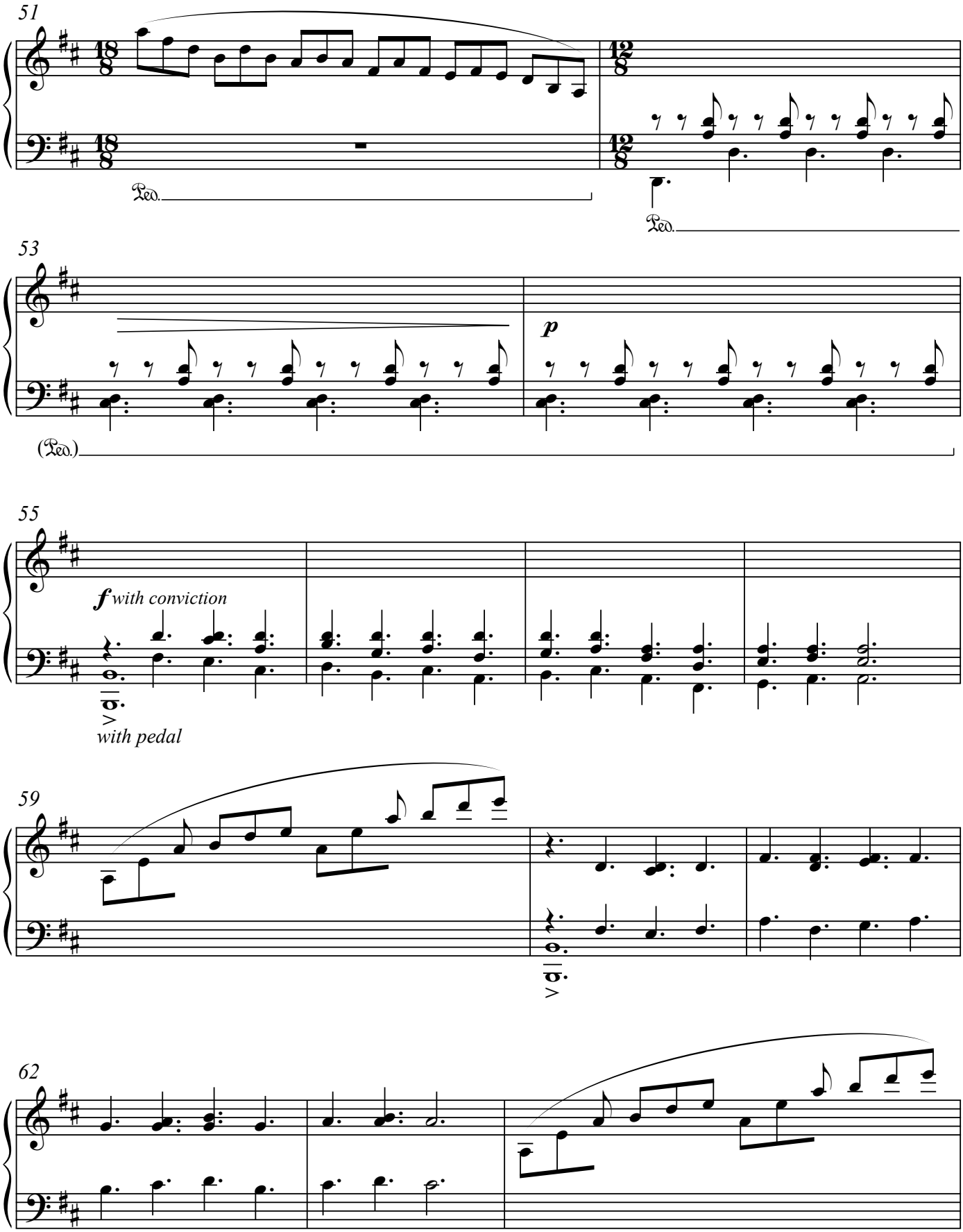
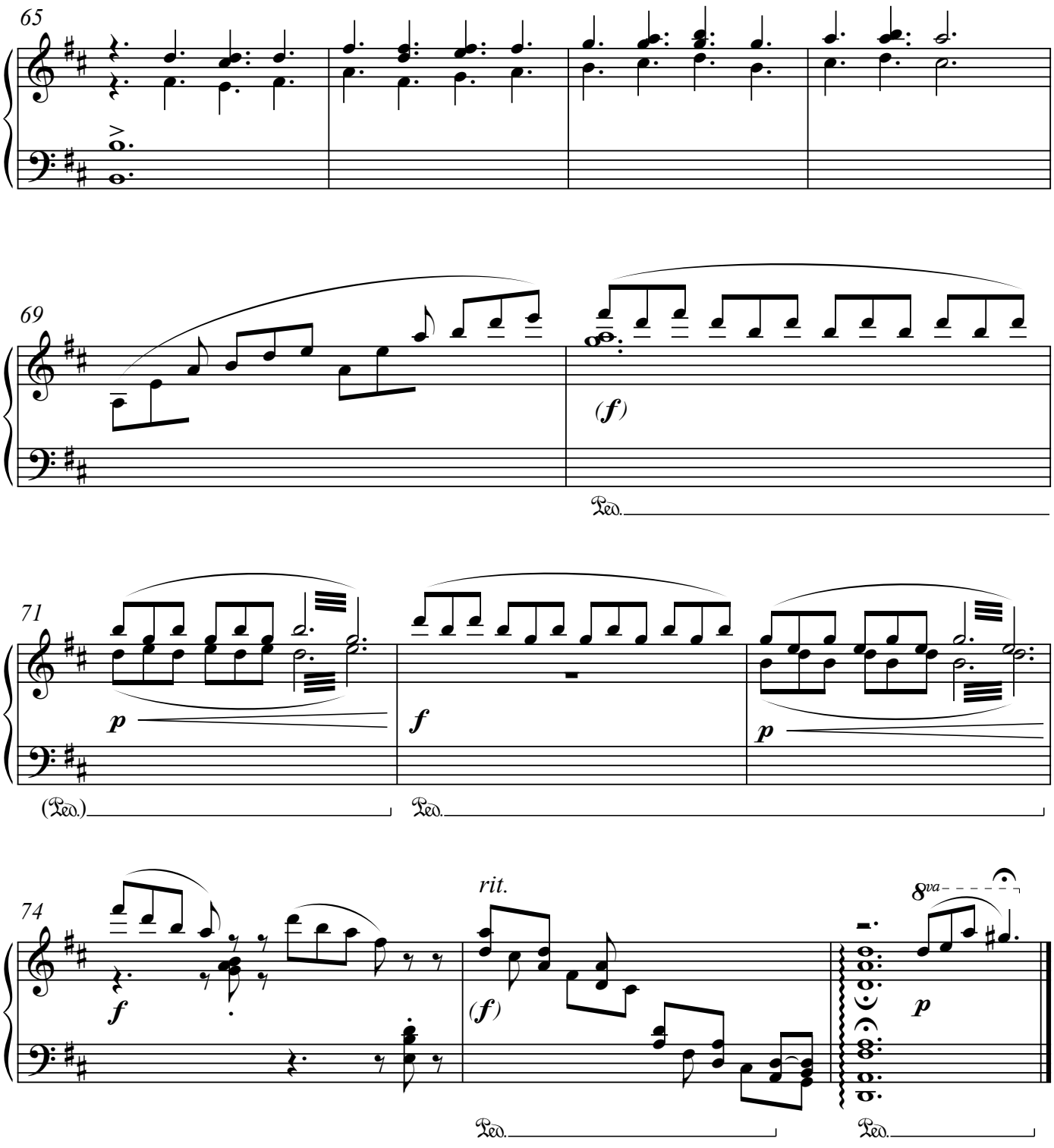



17
20
23
26
29
18/8
12/8
31
mf
dim.
p
Ped.
Ped.


34
mf
with pedal
37
40
43
46
49


51
Ped.
Ped.
53
p
(Ped.)
55
f with conviction
with pedal
59
62

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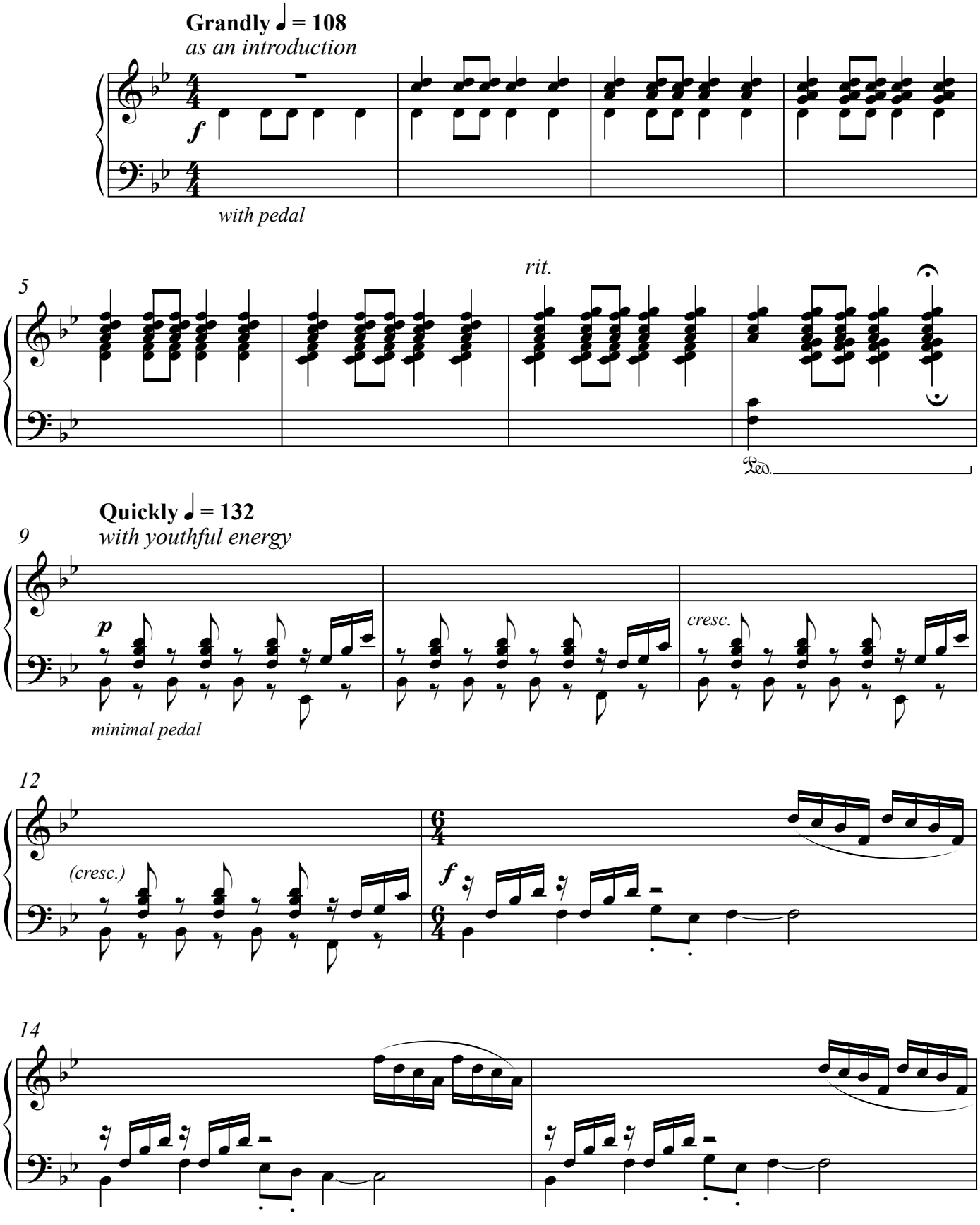
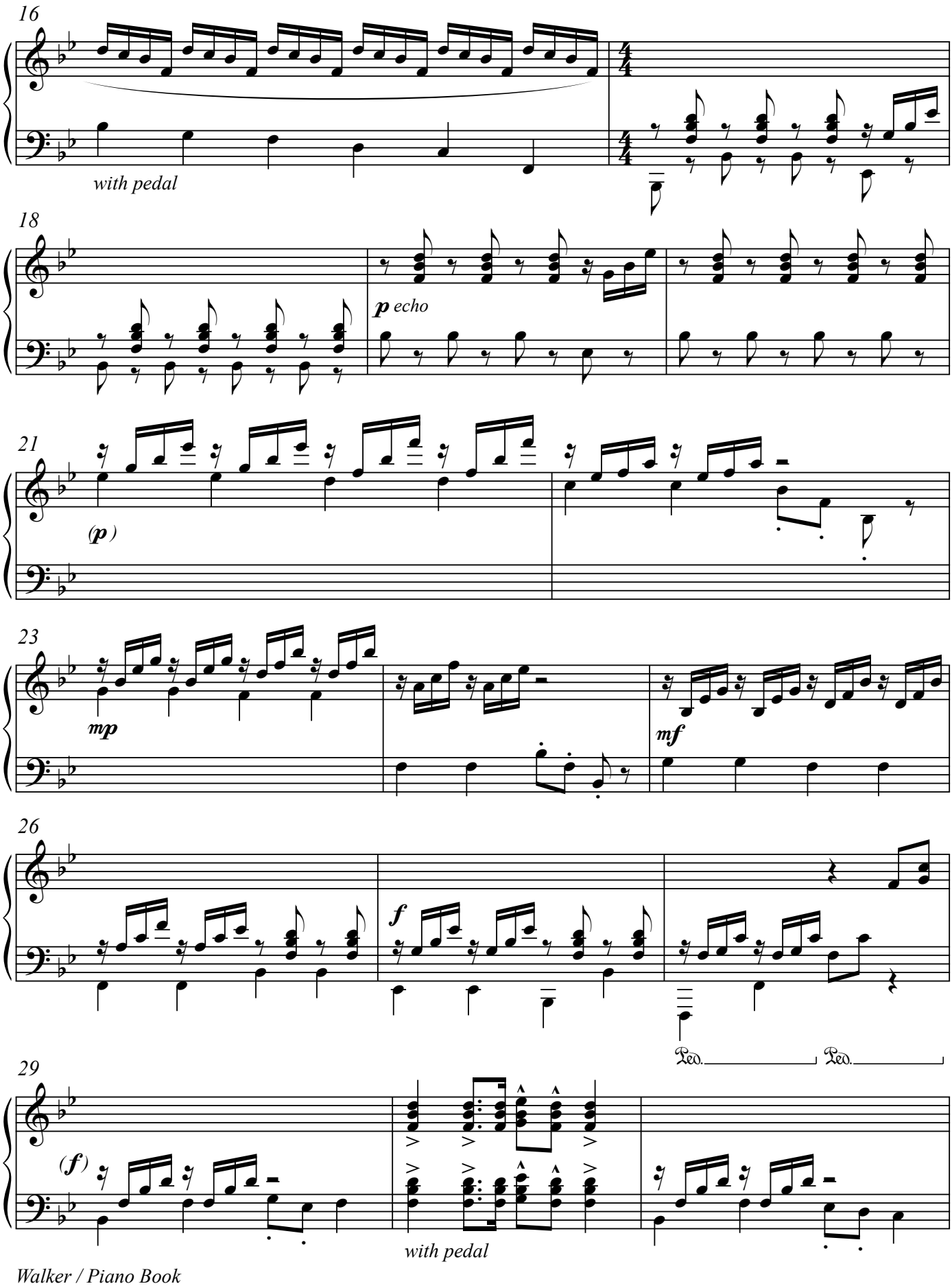
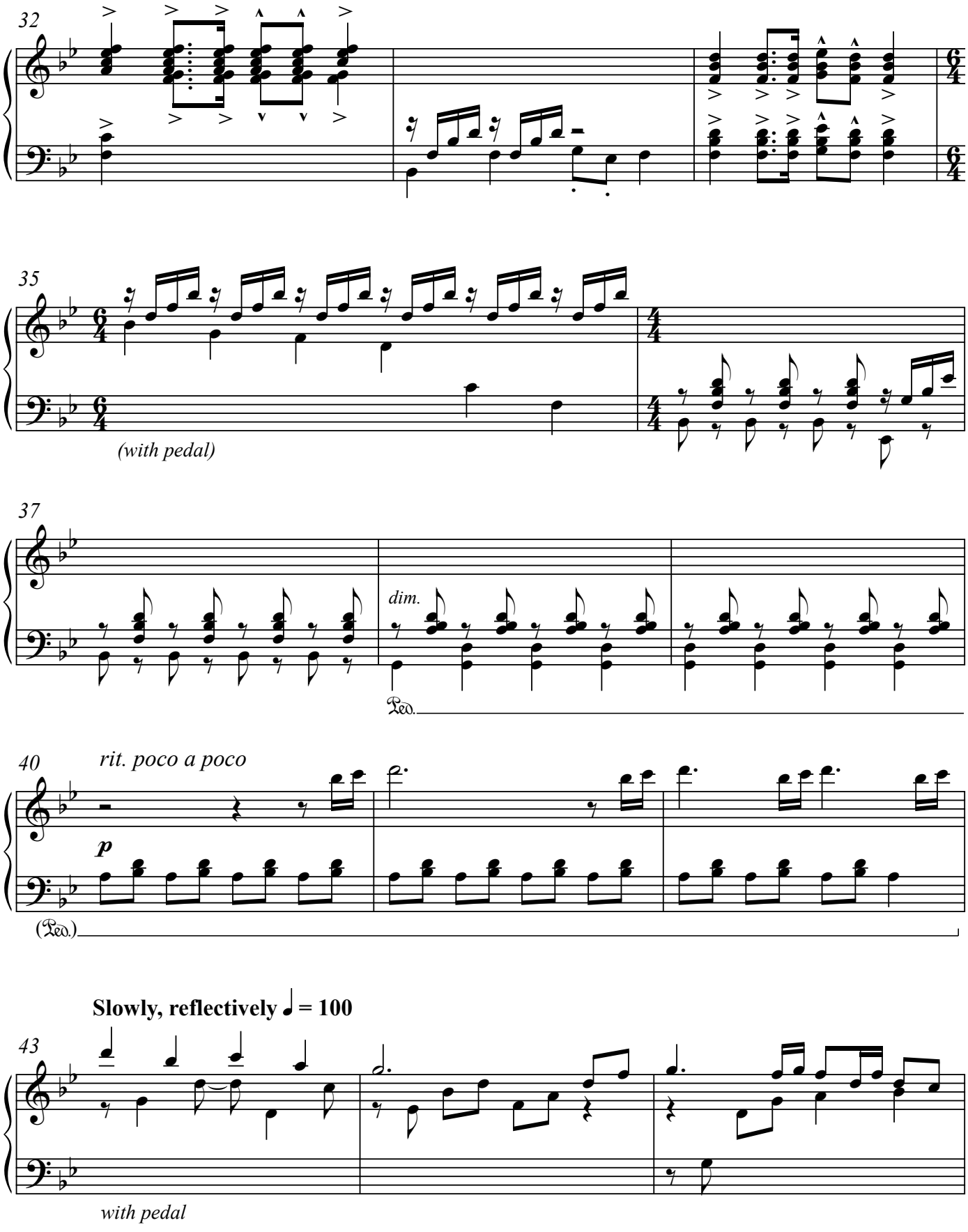
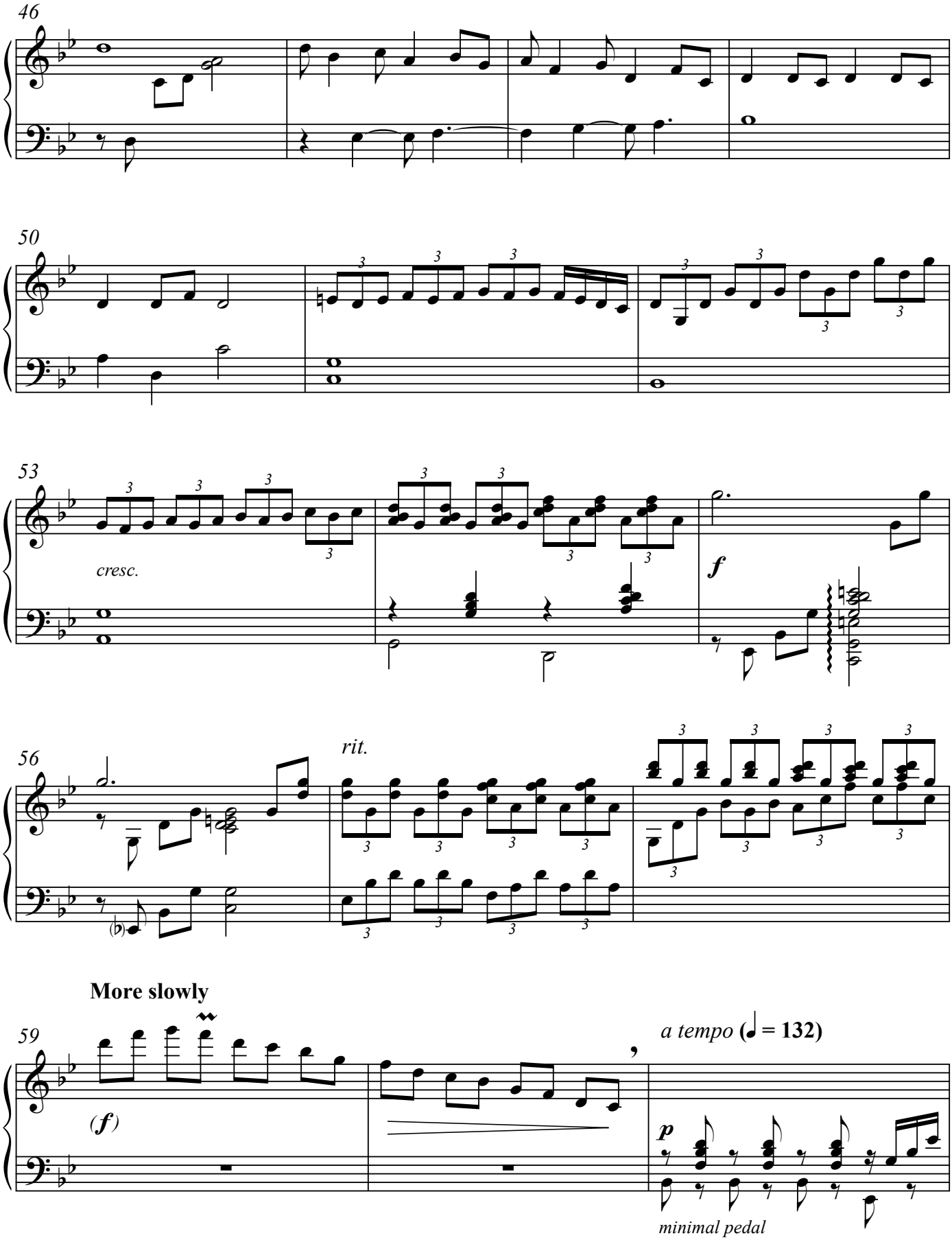
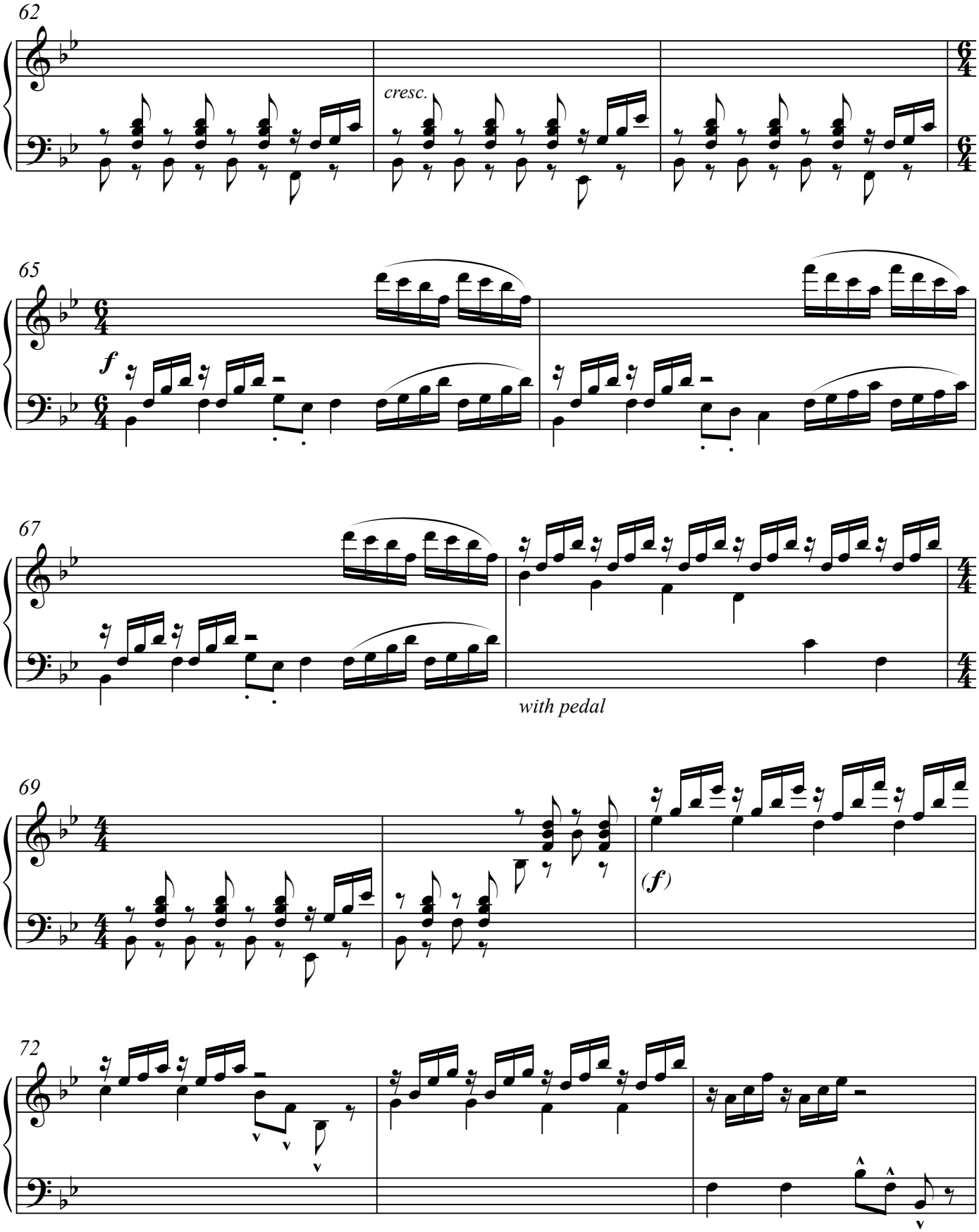
# 3. Joy– The Passage of Life

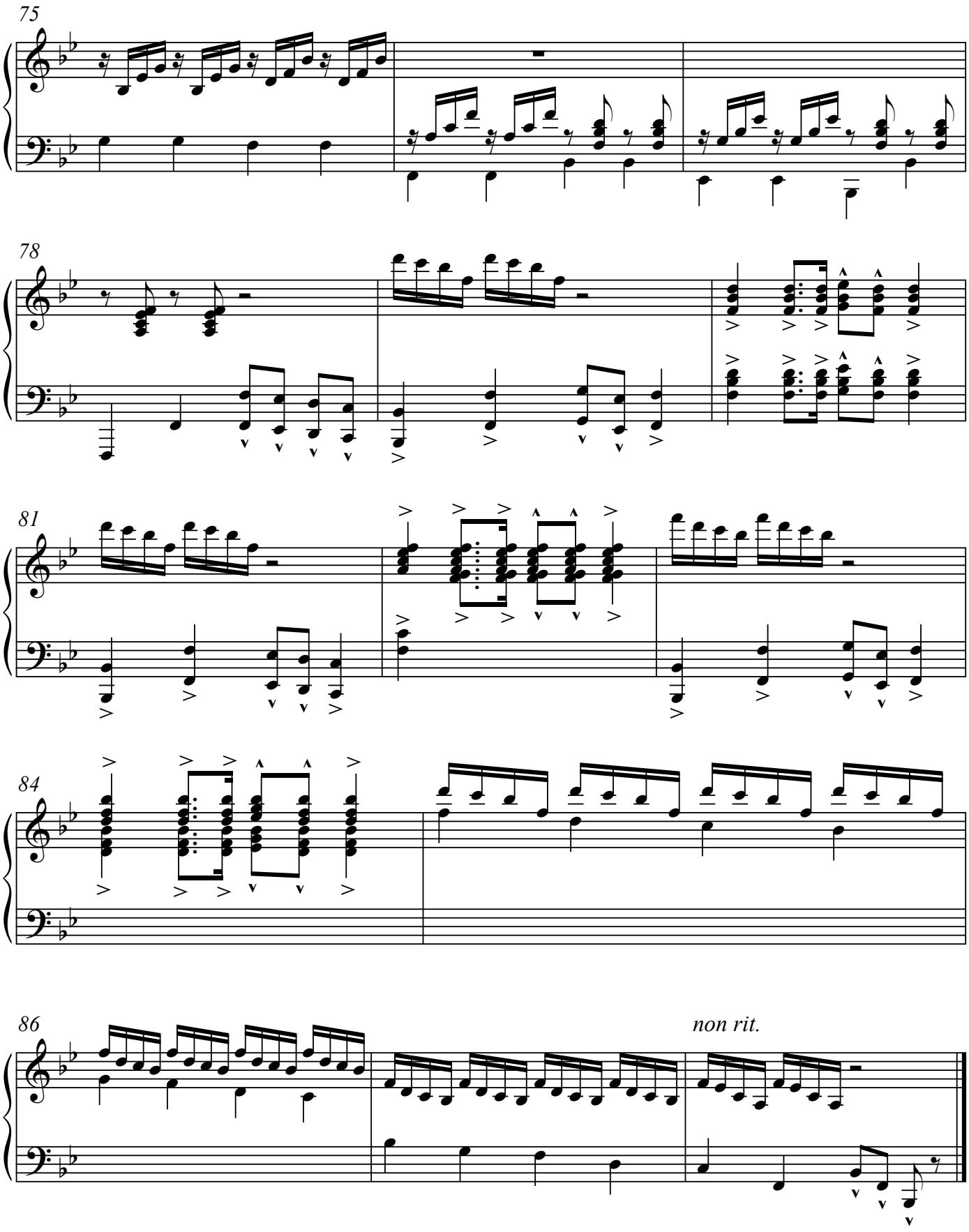



16
with pedal
18
p echo
21
(p)
23
mp
mf
26
f
Ped.
Ped.
29
(f)
with pedal


32
35
(with pedal)
37
dim.
Ped.
40
rit. poco a poco
p
(Ped.)
Slowly, reflectively ♩ = 100
43
with pedal


46
50
53
cresc.
f
56
rit.
More slowly
59
(f)
a tempo (♩ = 132)
p
minimal pedal


62
cresc.
65
f
67
with pedal
69
(f)
72

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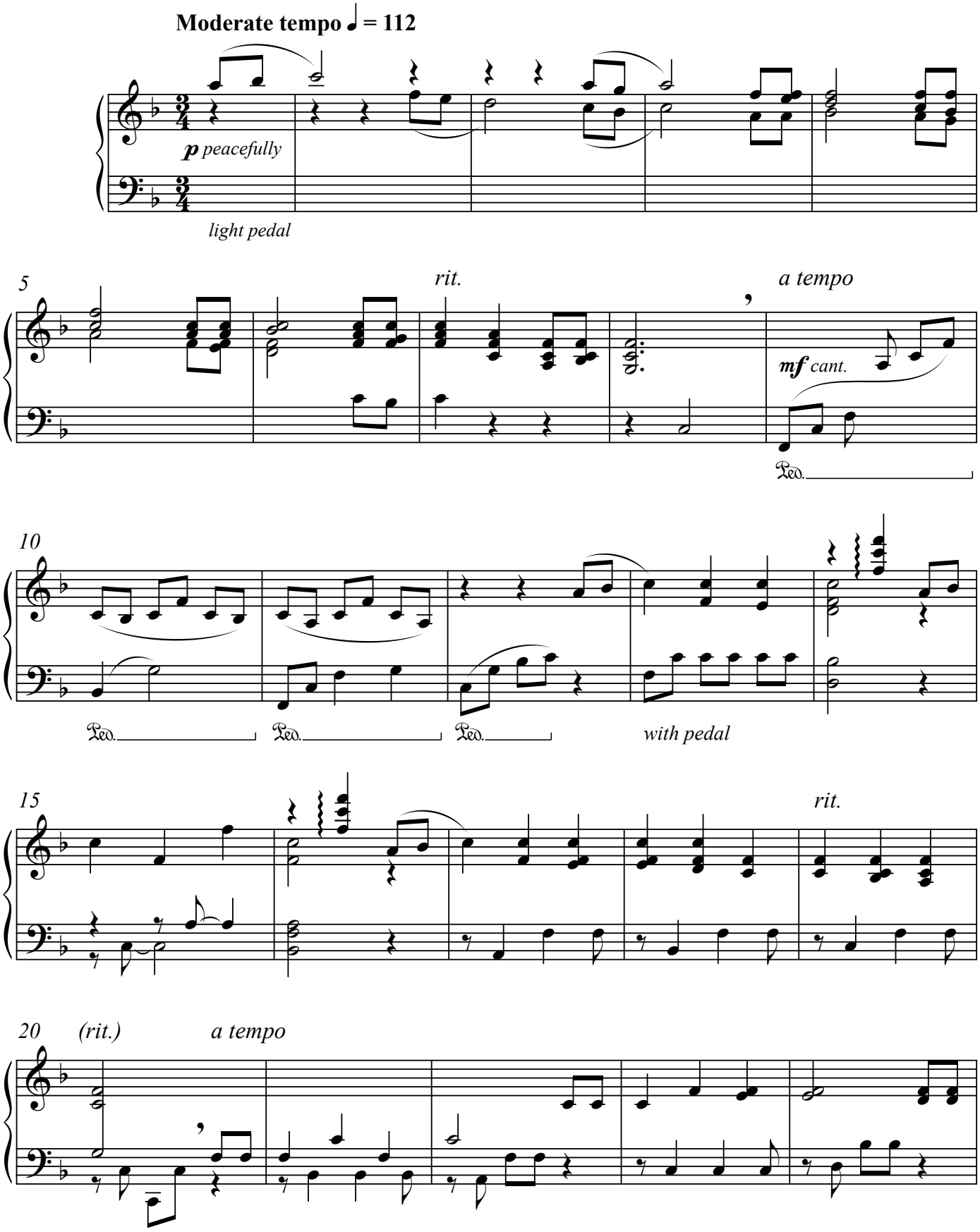
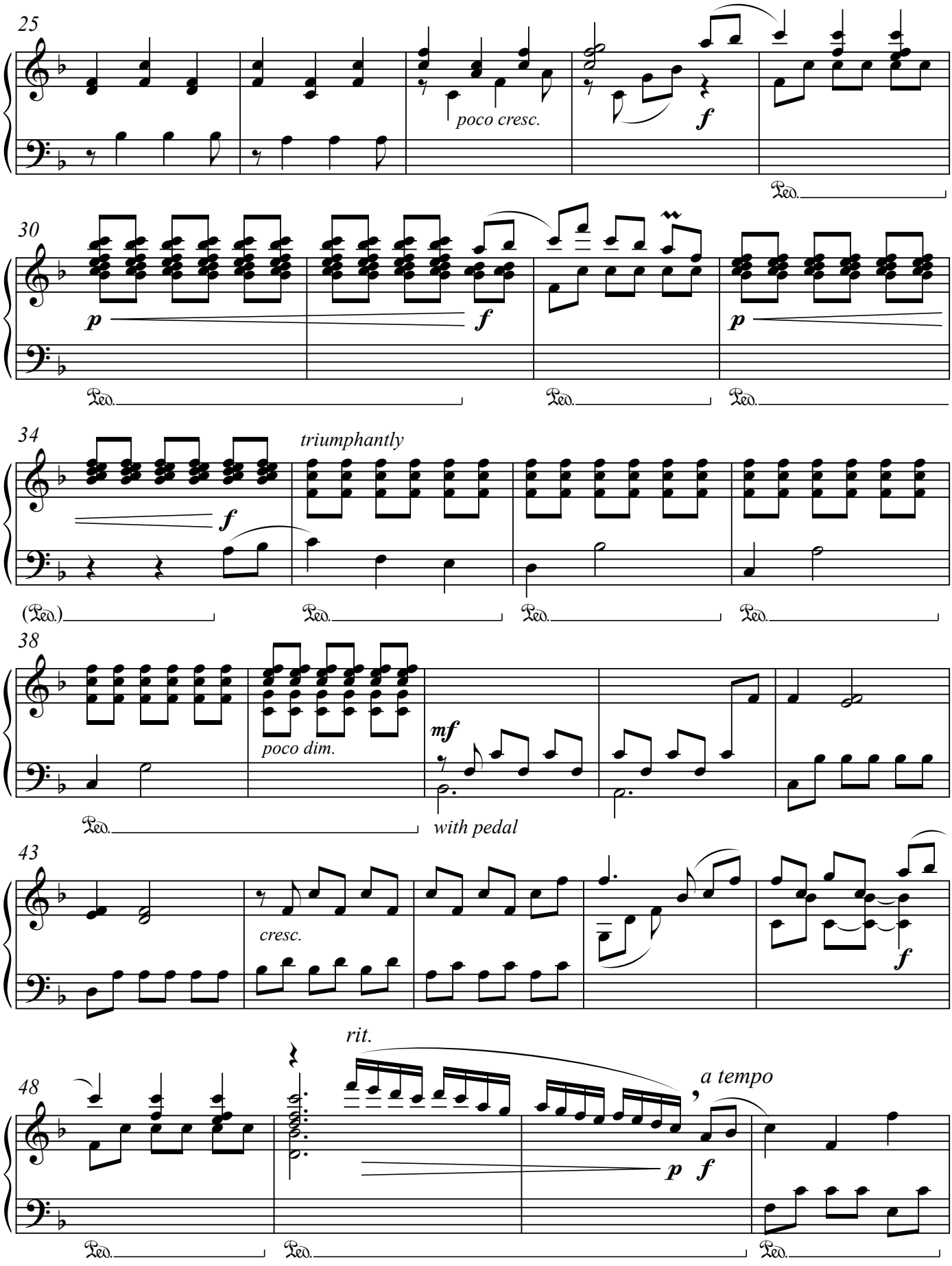
# 4. Benediction – Let Us All Live In Peace

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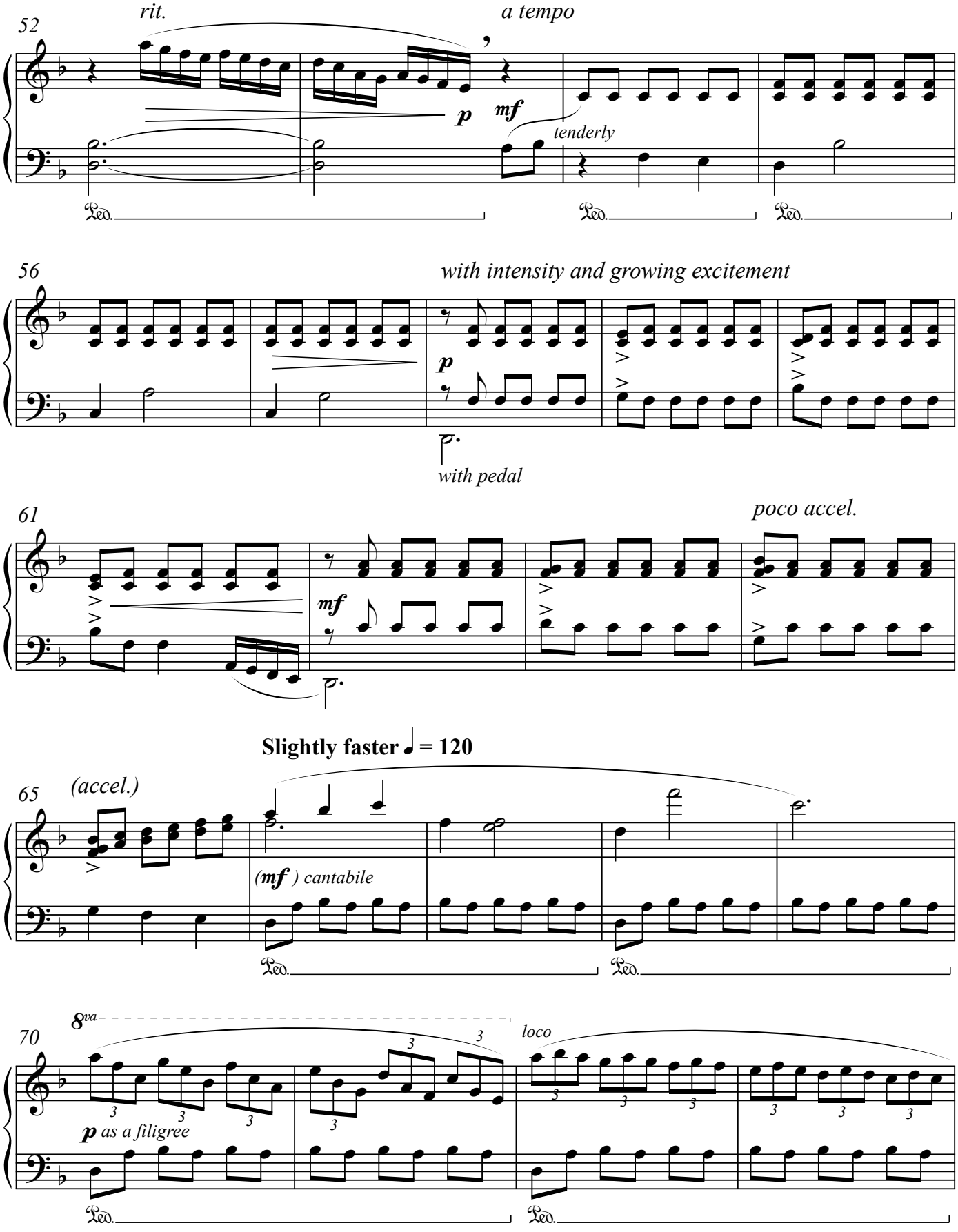
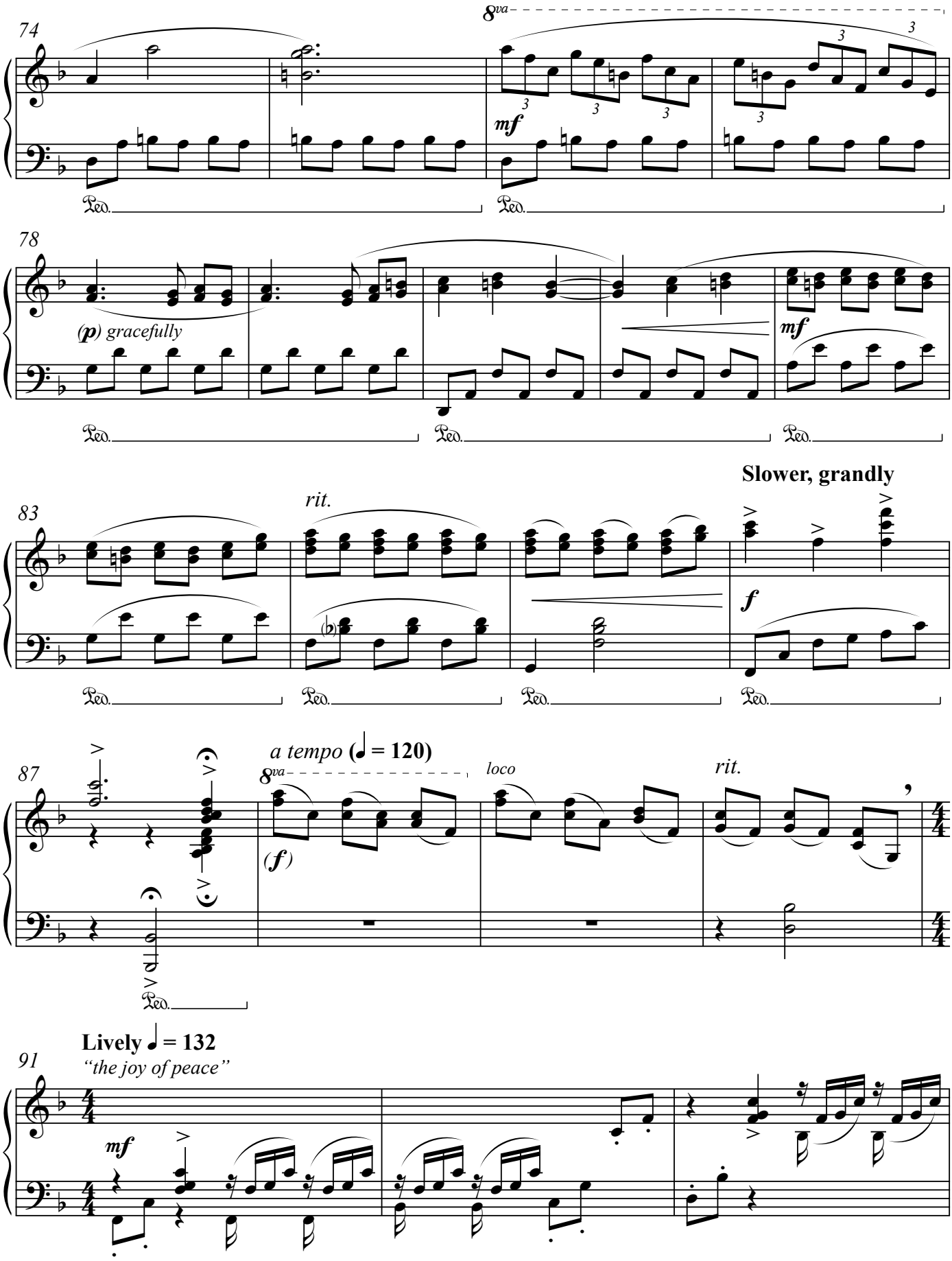
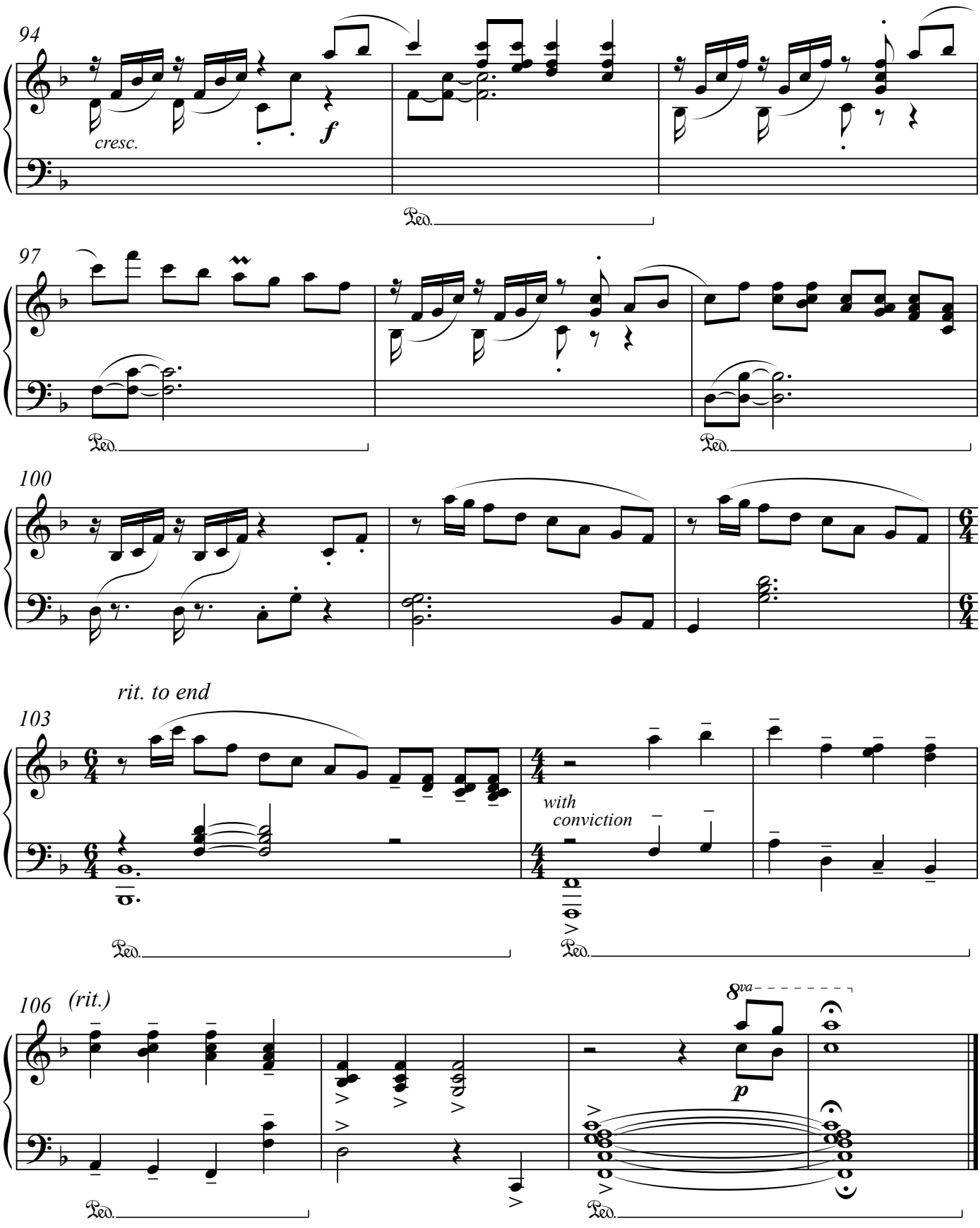
poco cresc.
f
Ped.
30
p
f
Ped.
Ped.
p
Ped.
34
triumphantly
f
(Ped.)
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.
38
poco dim.
mf
with pedal
Ped.
43
cresc.
f
rit.
48
a tempo
p
f
Ped.
Ped.
Ped.


52
rit.
a tempo
p
mf
tenderly
Ped.
56
with intensity and growing excitement
p
with pedal
61
poco accel.
mf
Slightly faster ♩ = 120
65
(accel.)
(mf) cantabile
70
8va
loco
p as a filigree


74
8va
mf
Ped.
78
(p) gracefully
mf
Slower, grandly
83
rit.
f
87
a tempo (♩ = 120)
8va
(f)
loco
rit.
Lively ♩ = 132
91
"the joy of peace"
mf

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