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Ode to Staphylococcus

for Speaker and Orchestra

1984

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2 Oboes
2 Bassoons
2 Horns
2 Trumpets
Trombone
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Timpani

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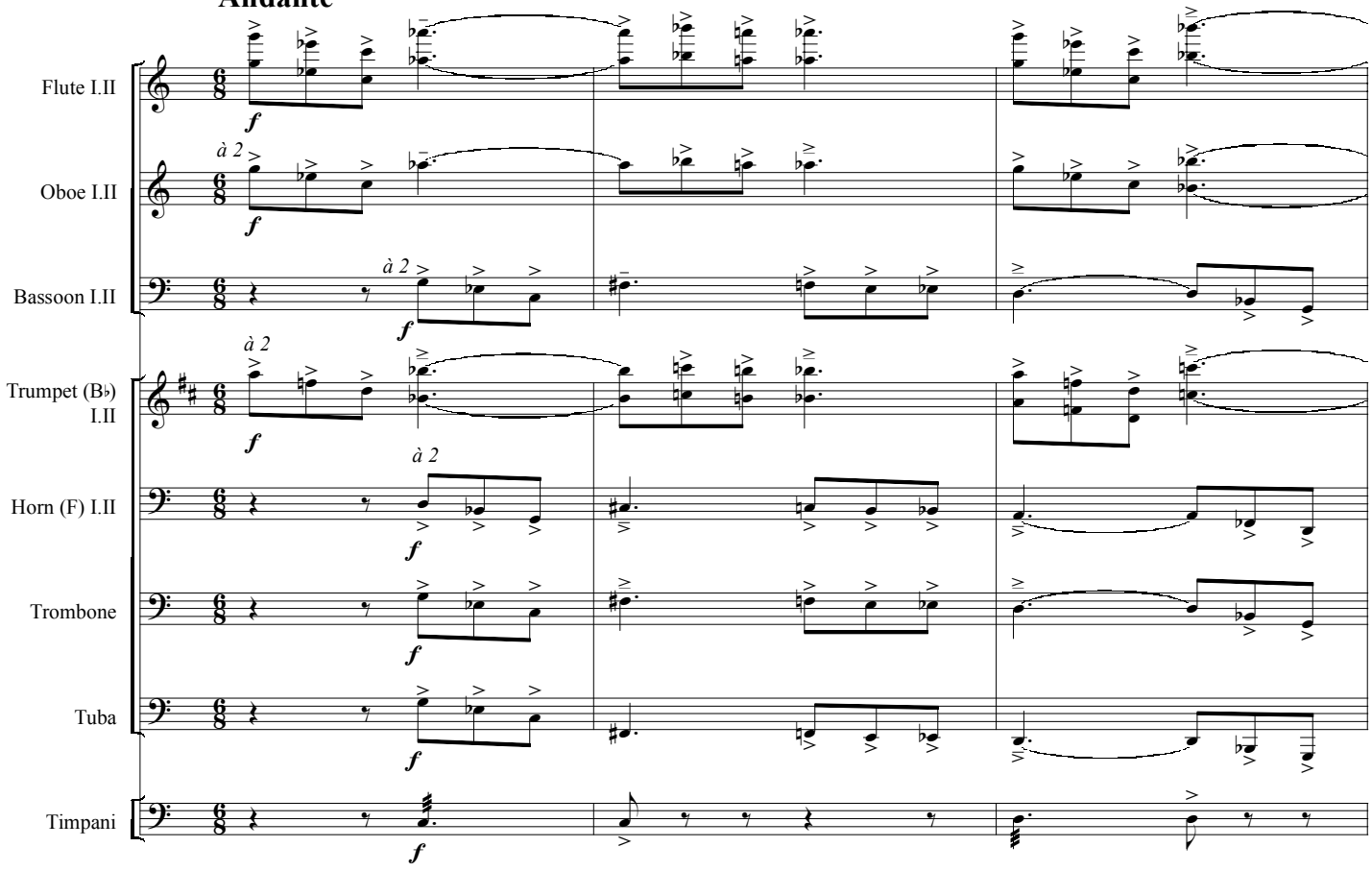
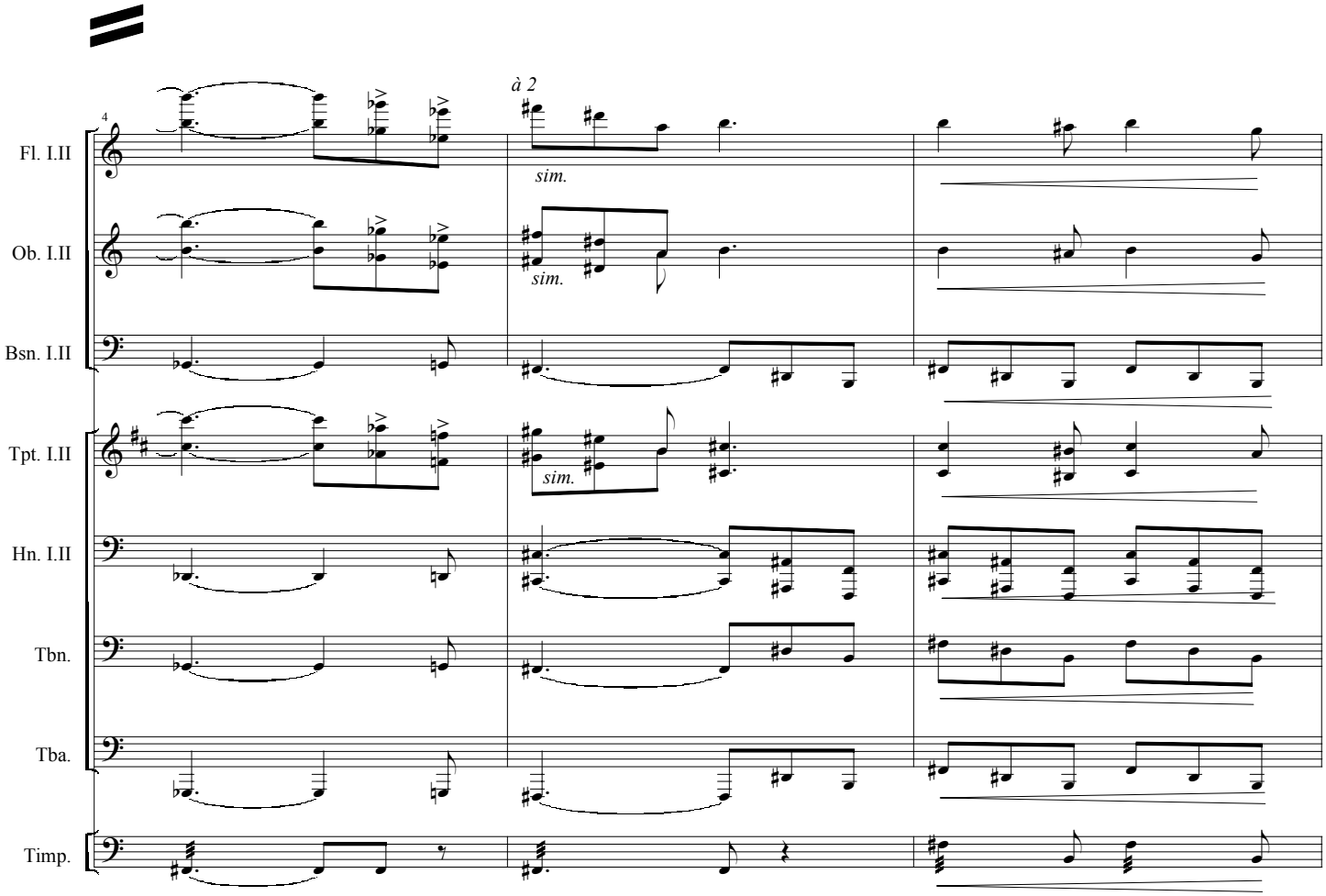
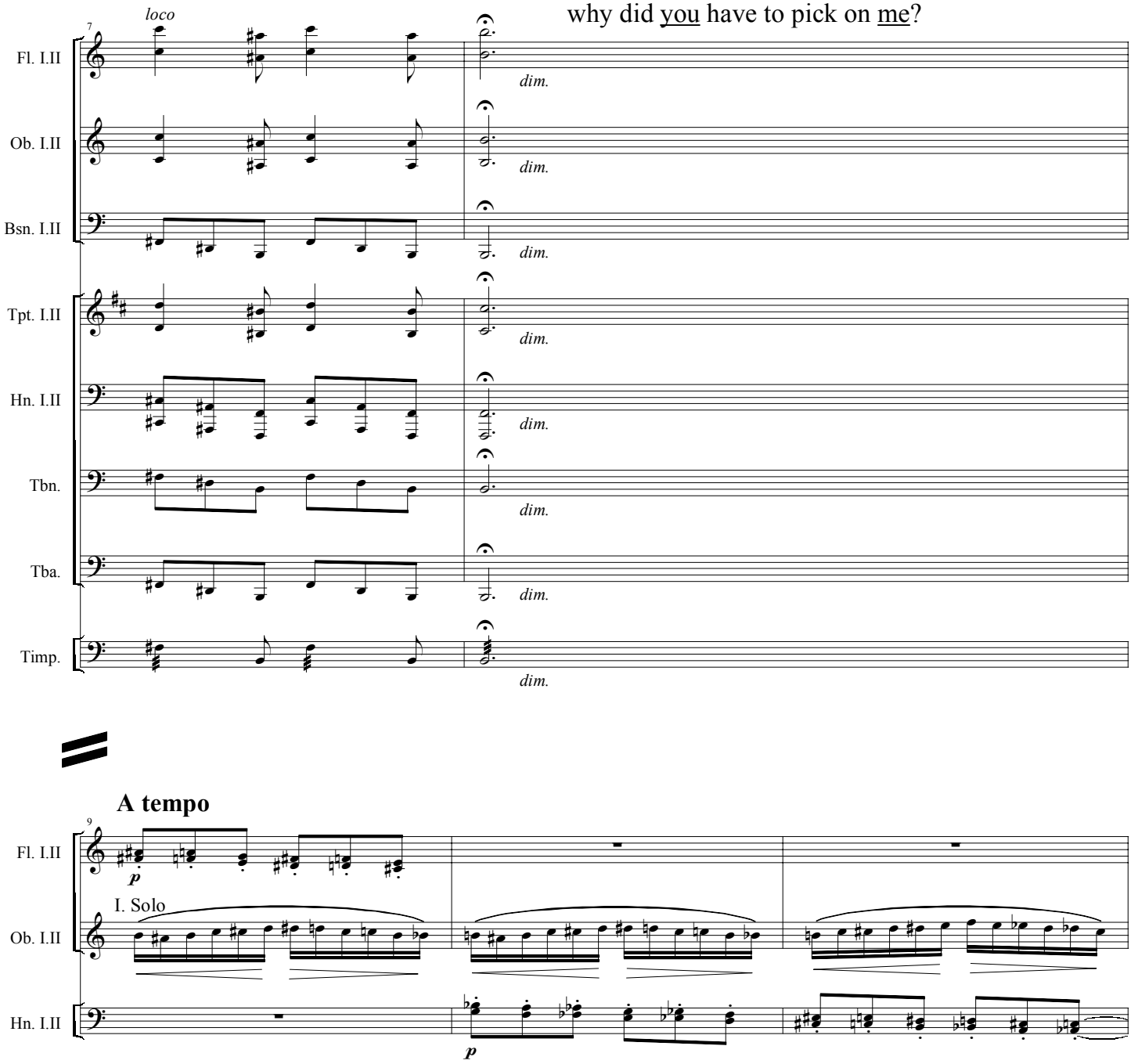


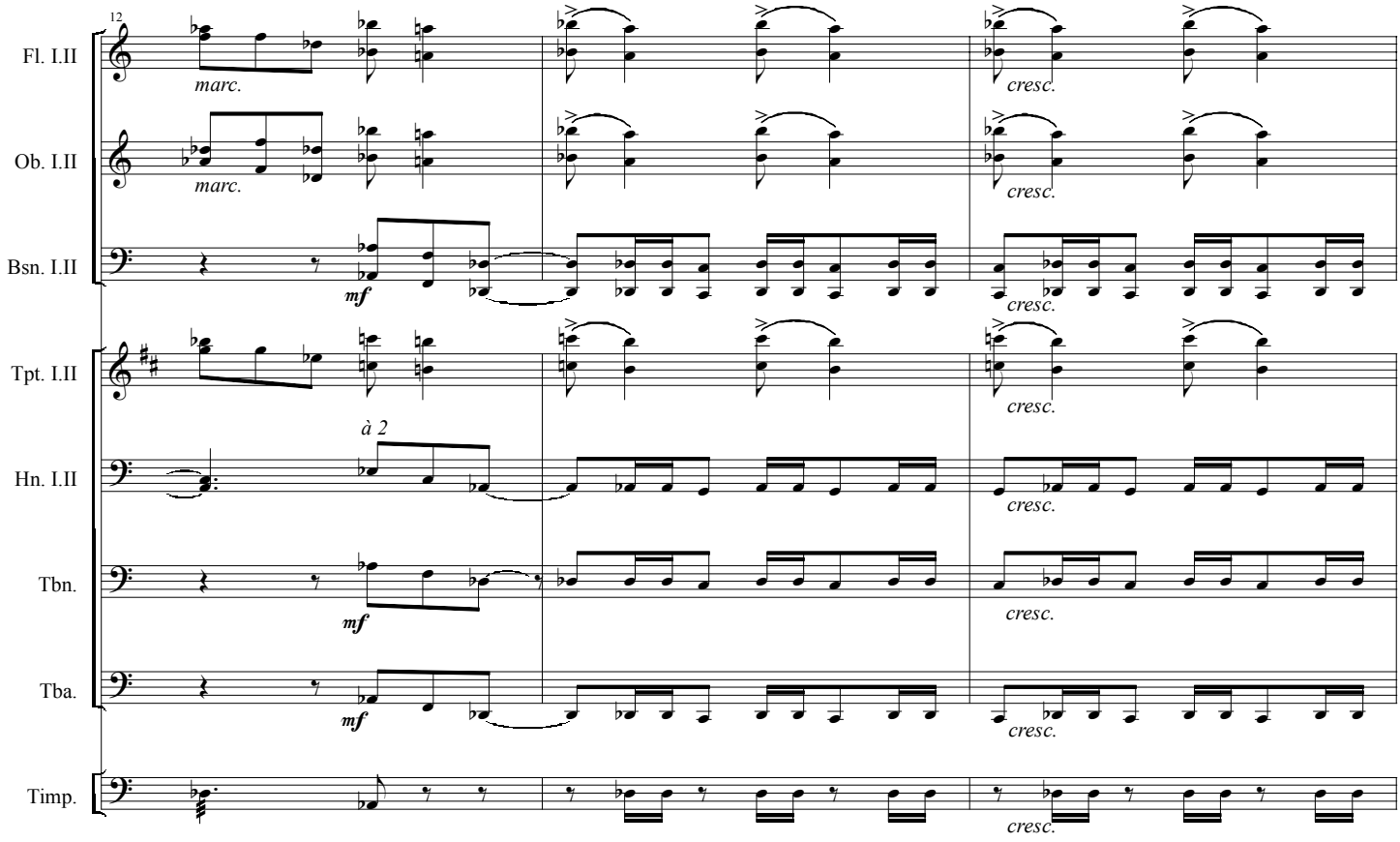


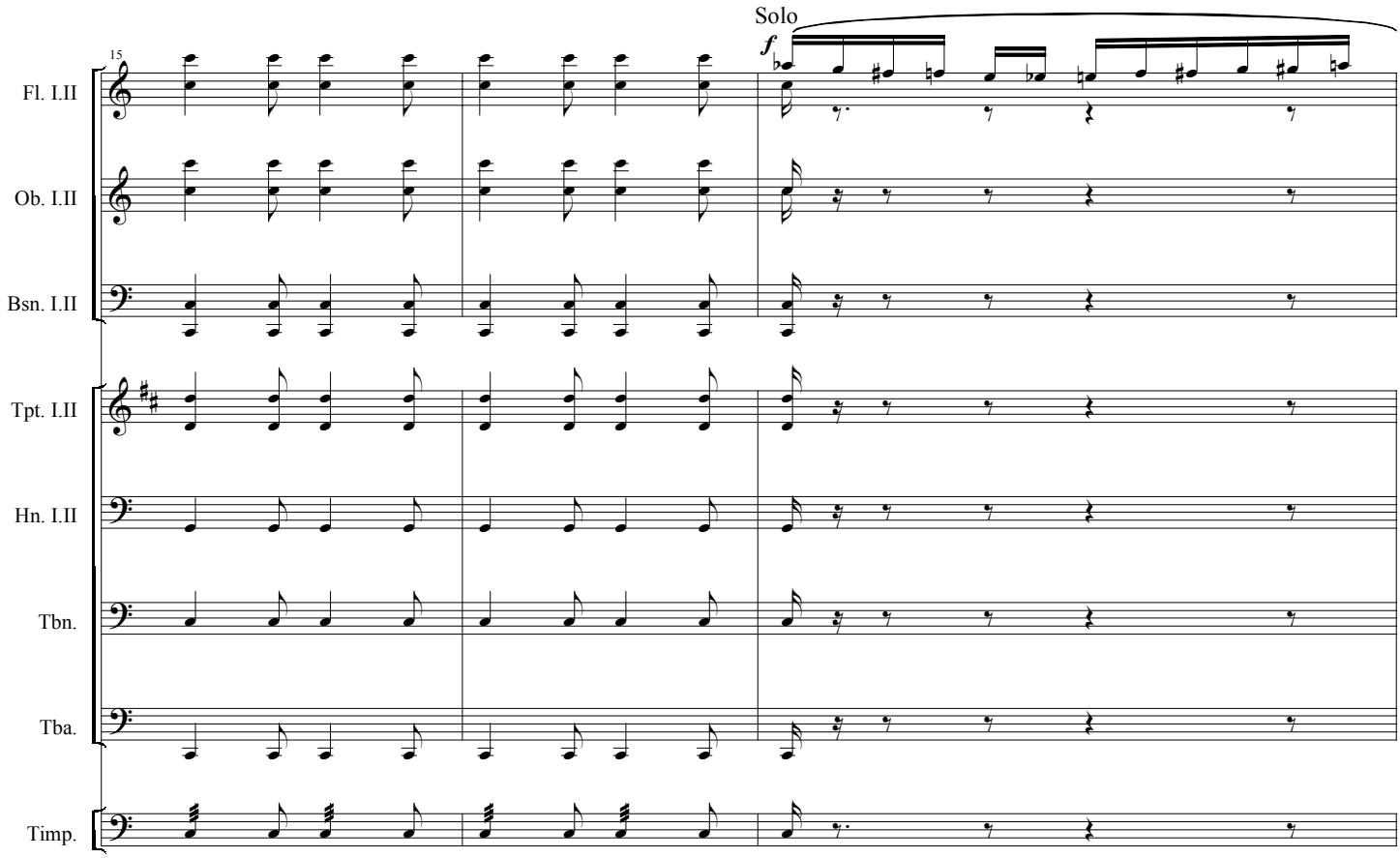
SPEAKER: Oh! Staphylococcus! Where did you come from?
Of all the germs, bugs, viruses,
why did <u>you</u> have to pick on <u>me</u>?

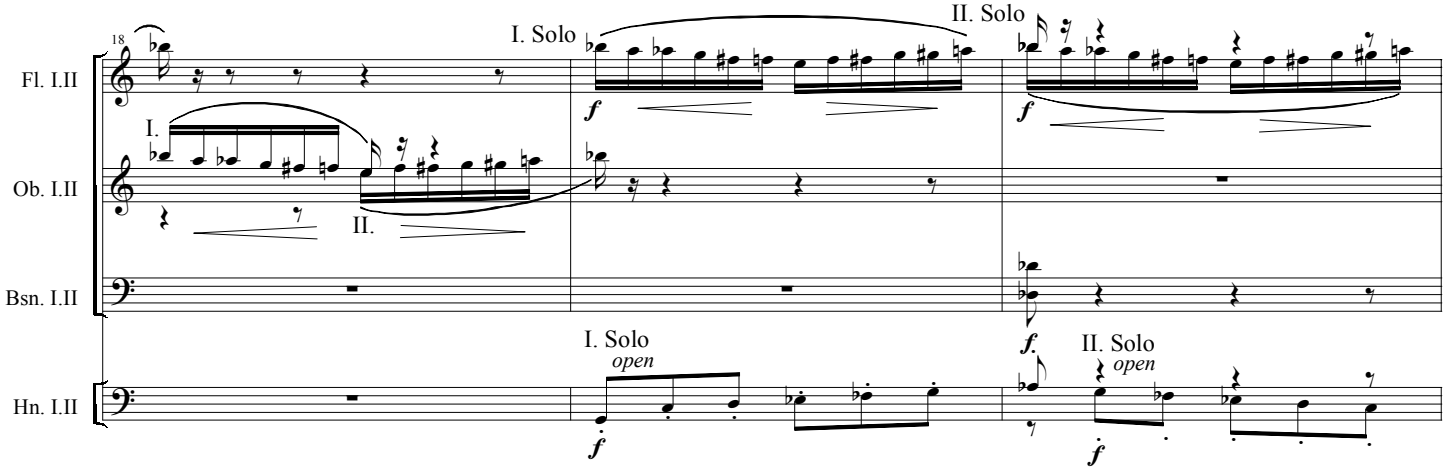


Why, when things were going so smoothly, did

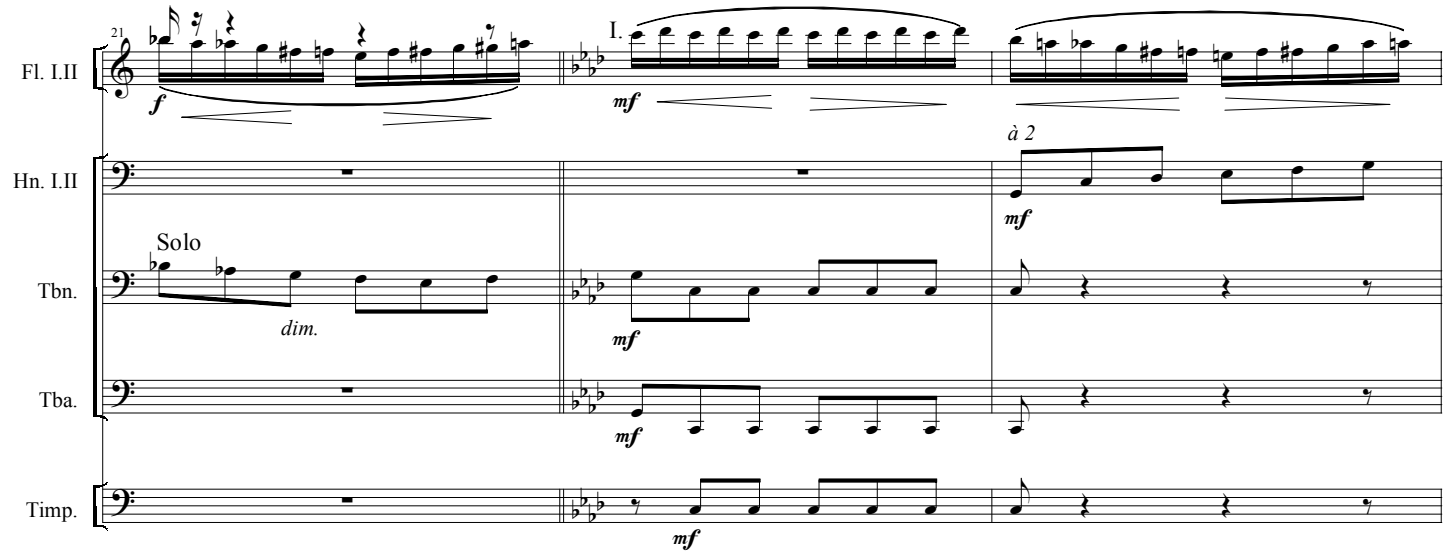
the vicious Staphylococcus invade my body, only to transform it into a fighting organism?



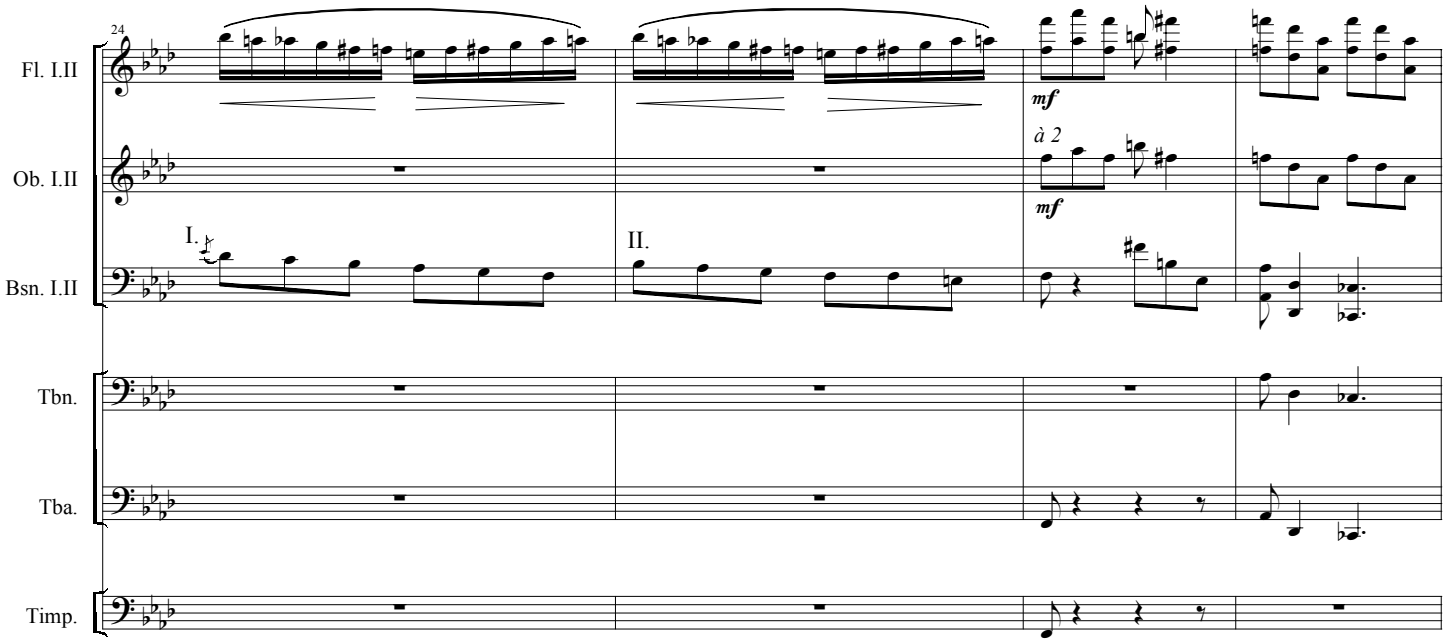




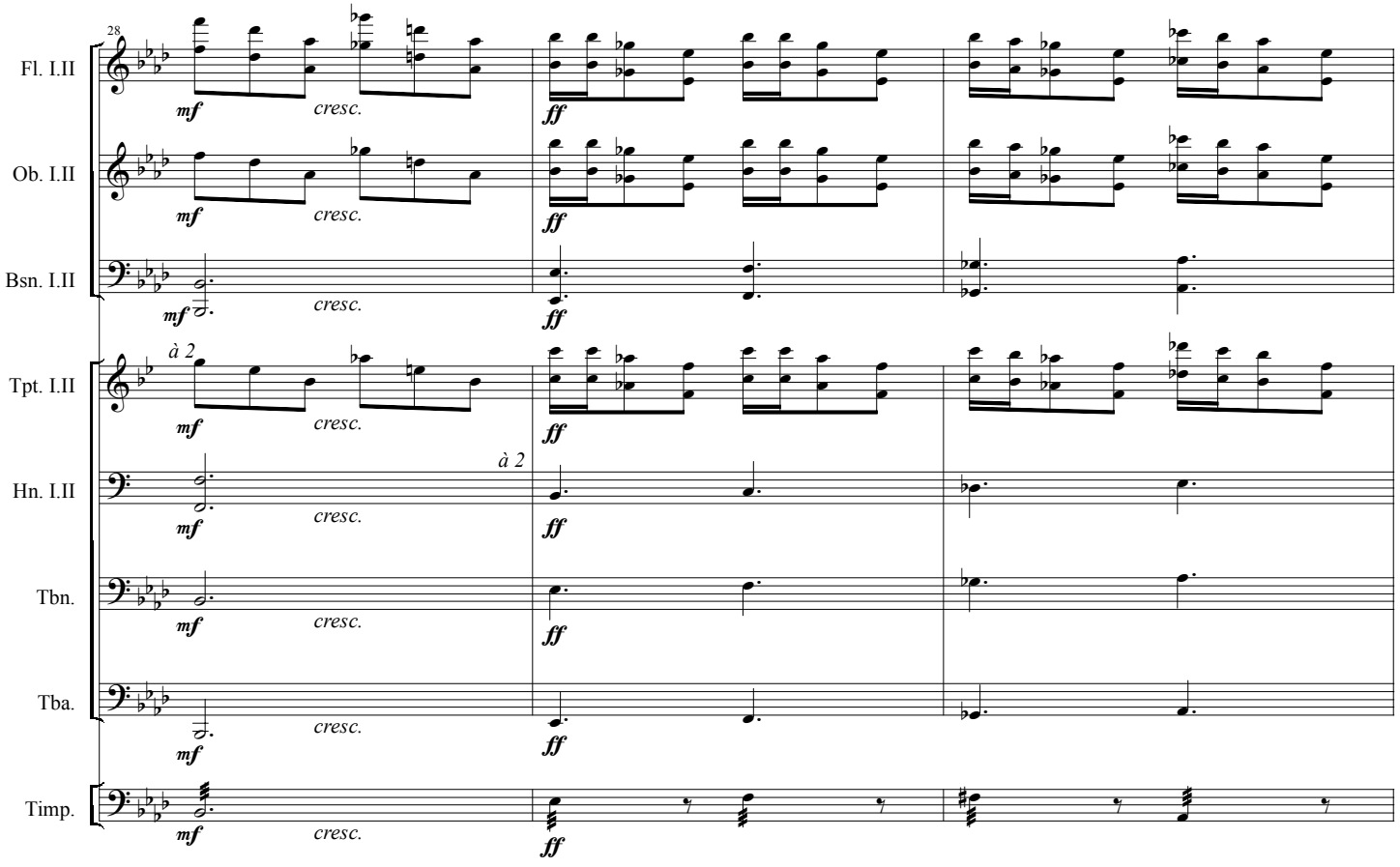
Staphylococcus: any of the various Gram - positive spherical



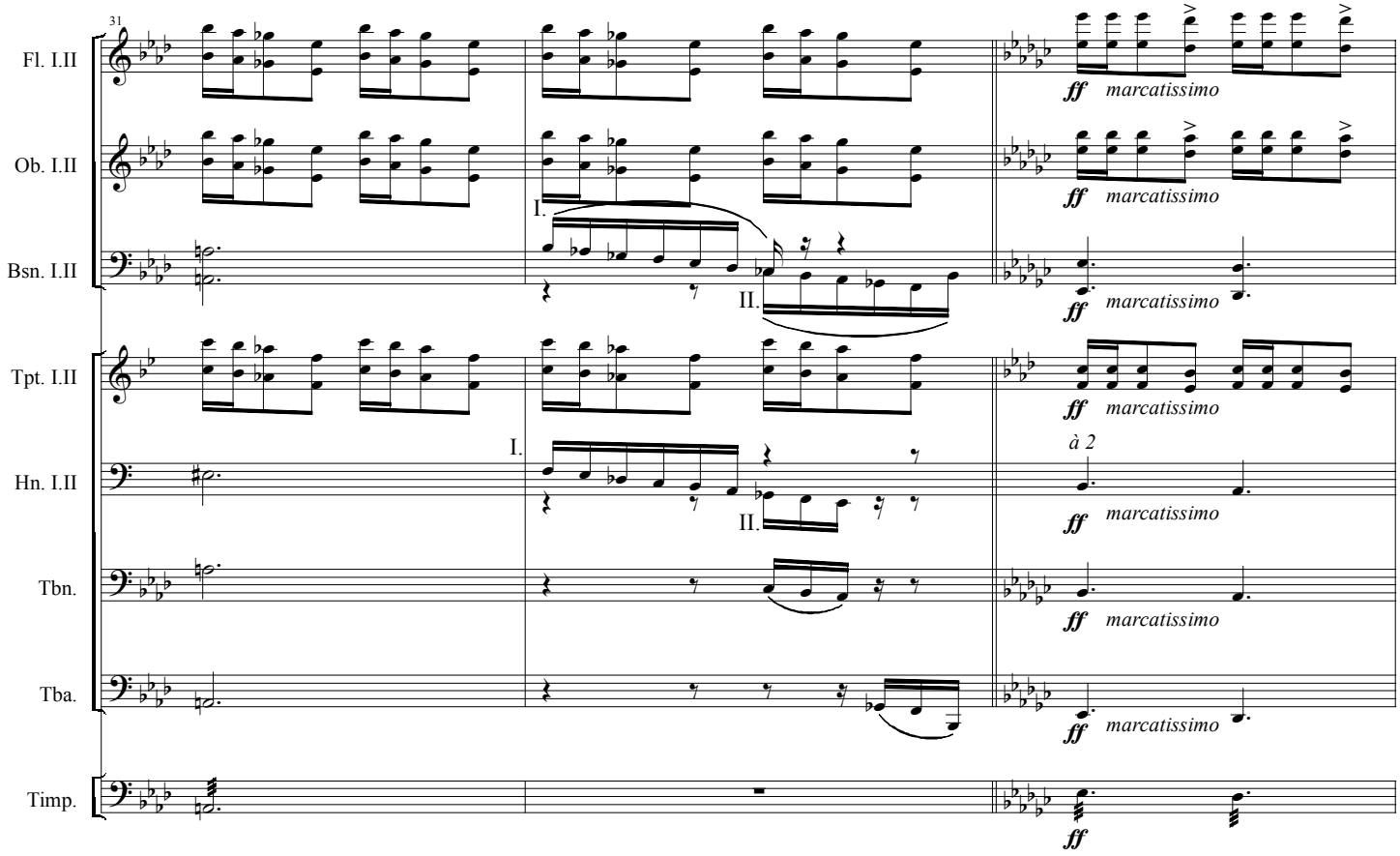
parasitic bacteria of the genus Staphylococcus, occurring in grape-like clusters



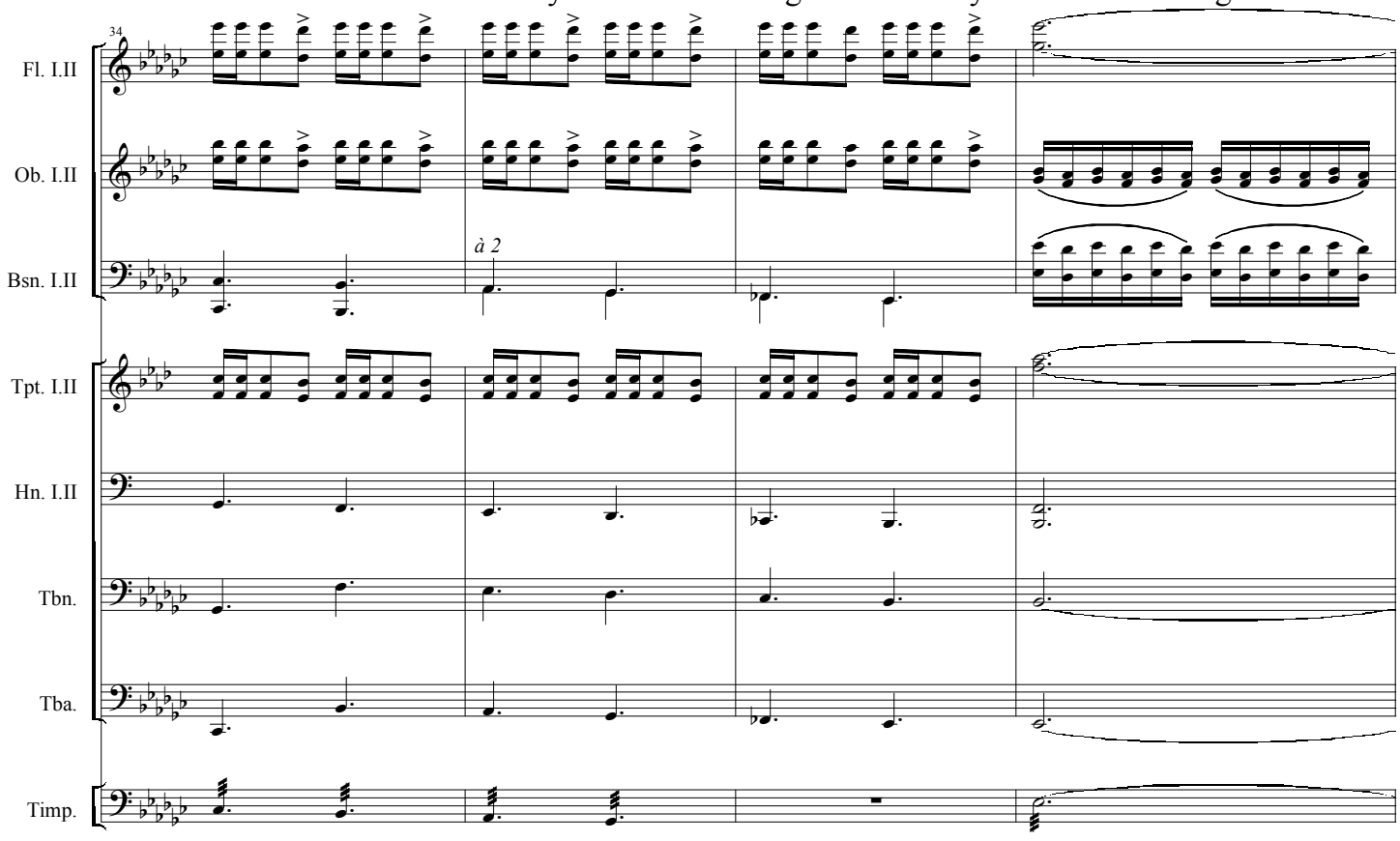
and causing boils, septicemia, and other infections, also called "staph".



How cute! How funny! How deadly! Intra - venous injections of



medications to destroy the infamous bugs. How lovely! All done to bring



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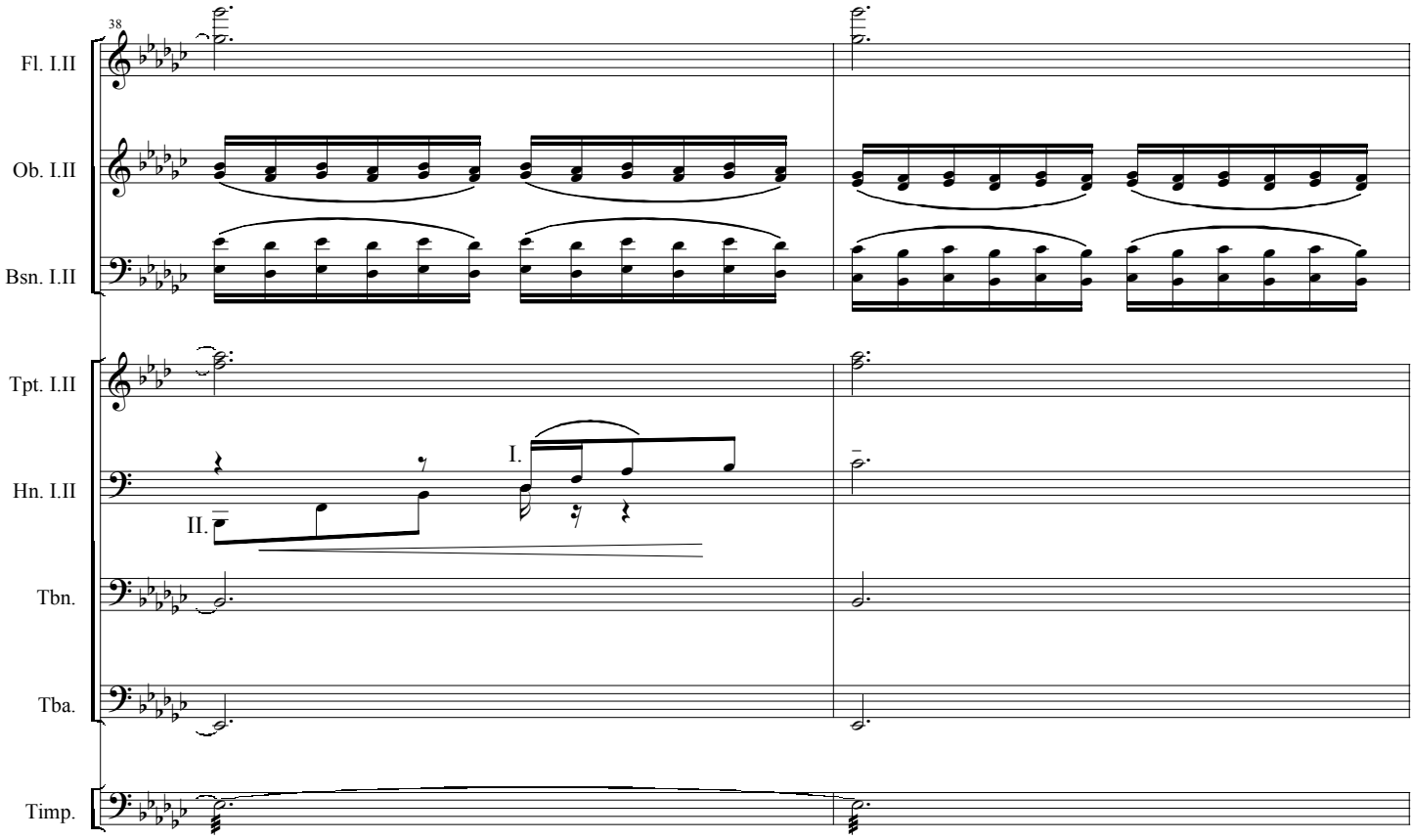
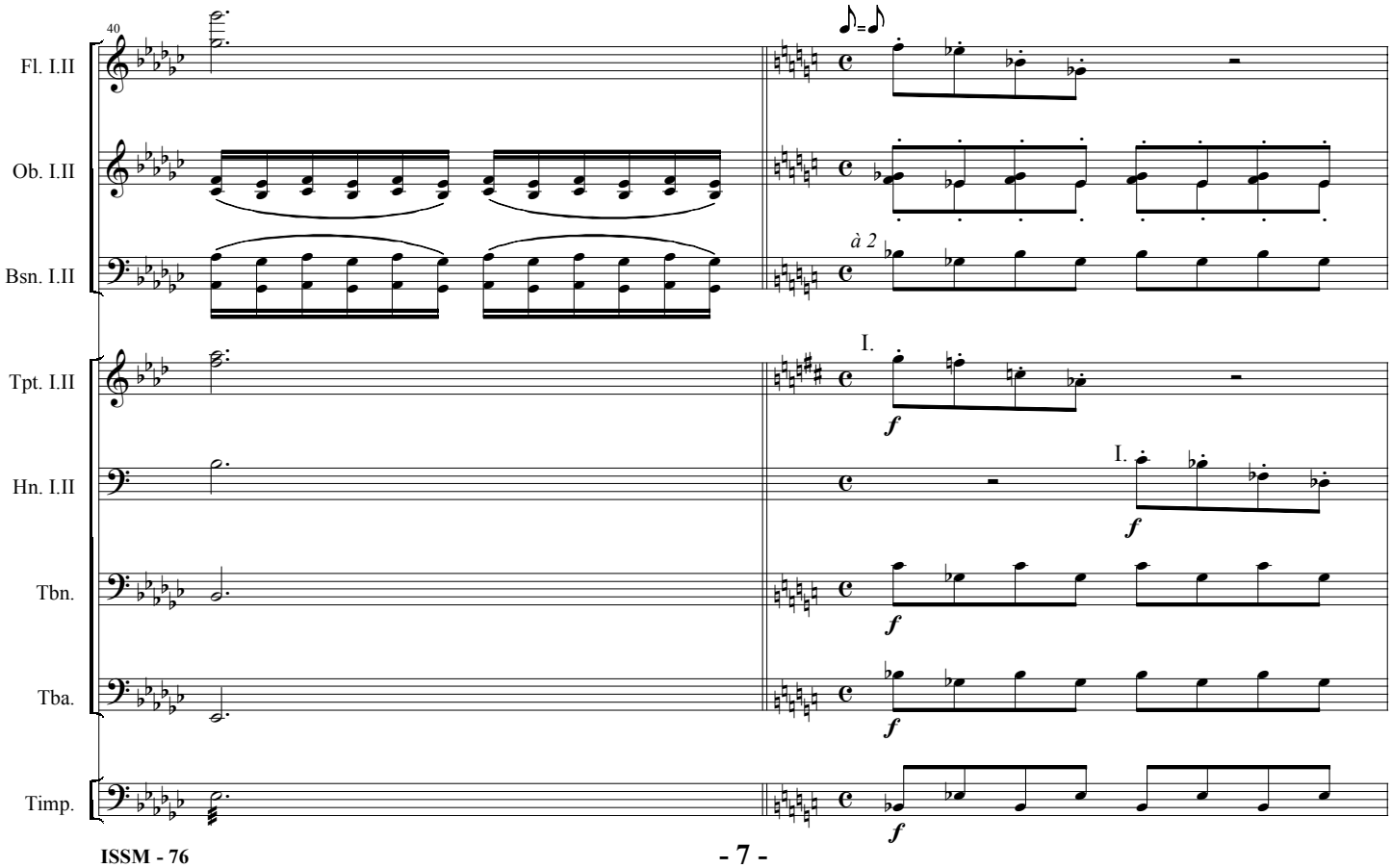
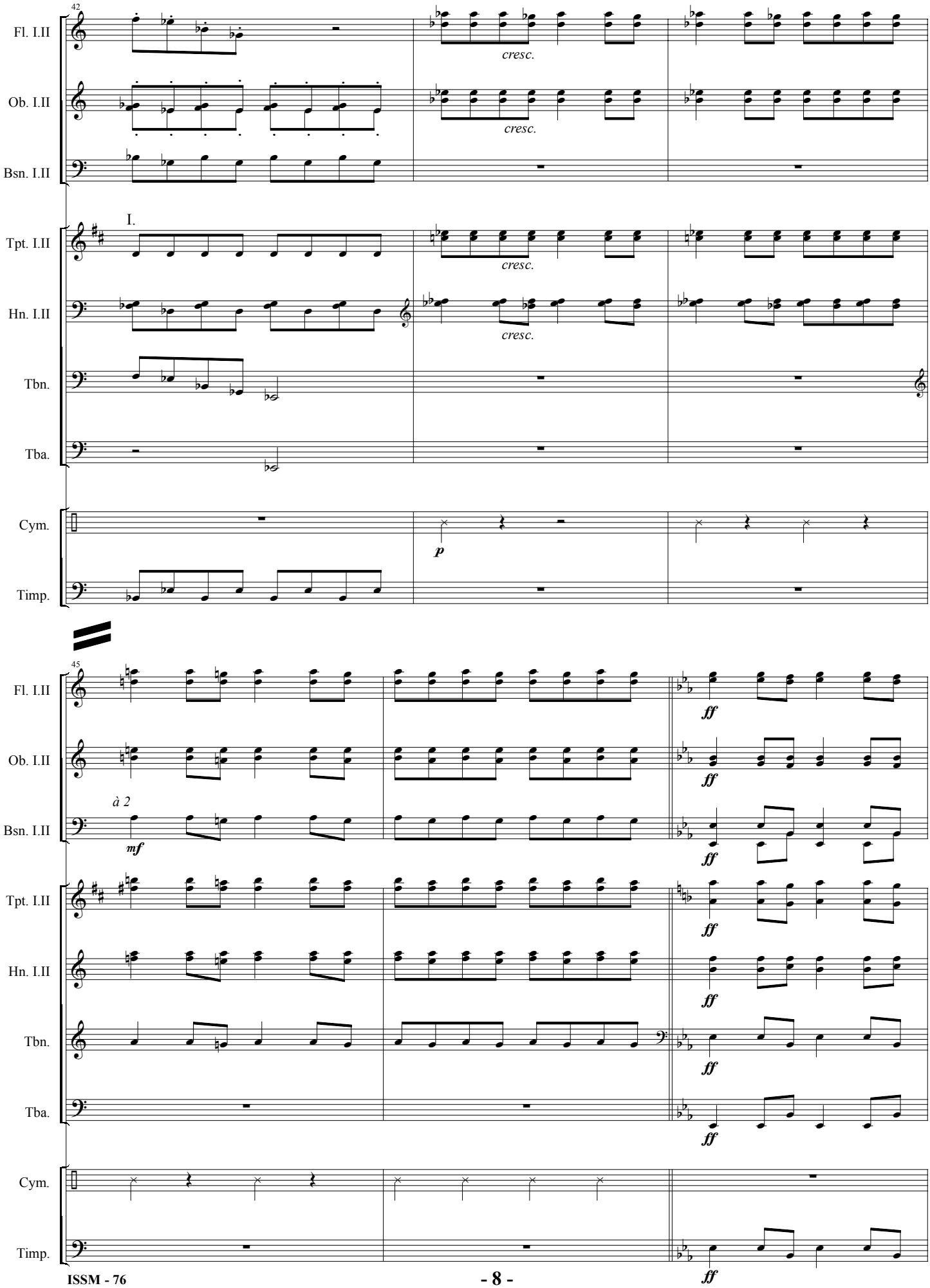


of full activity, creation, joy and happiness on this earth!

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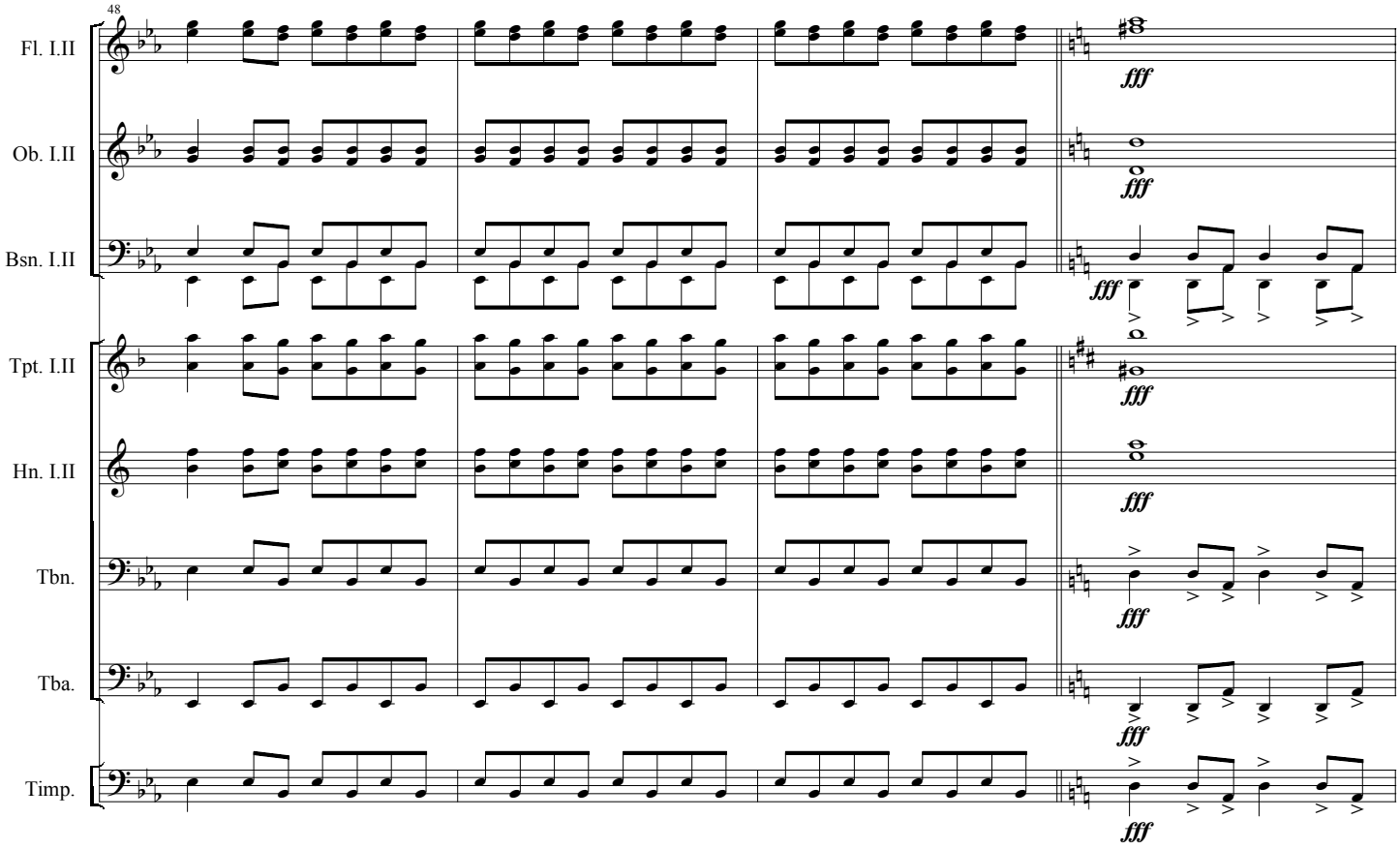
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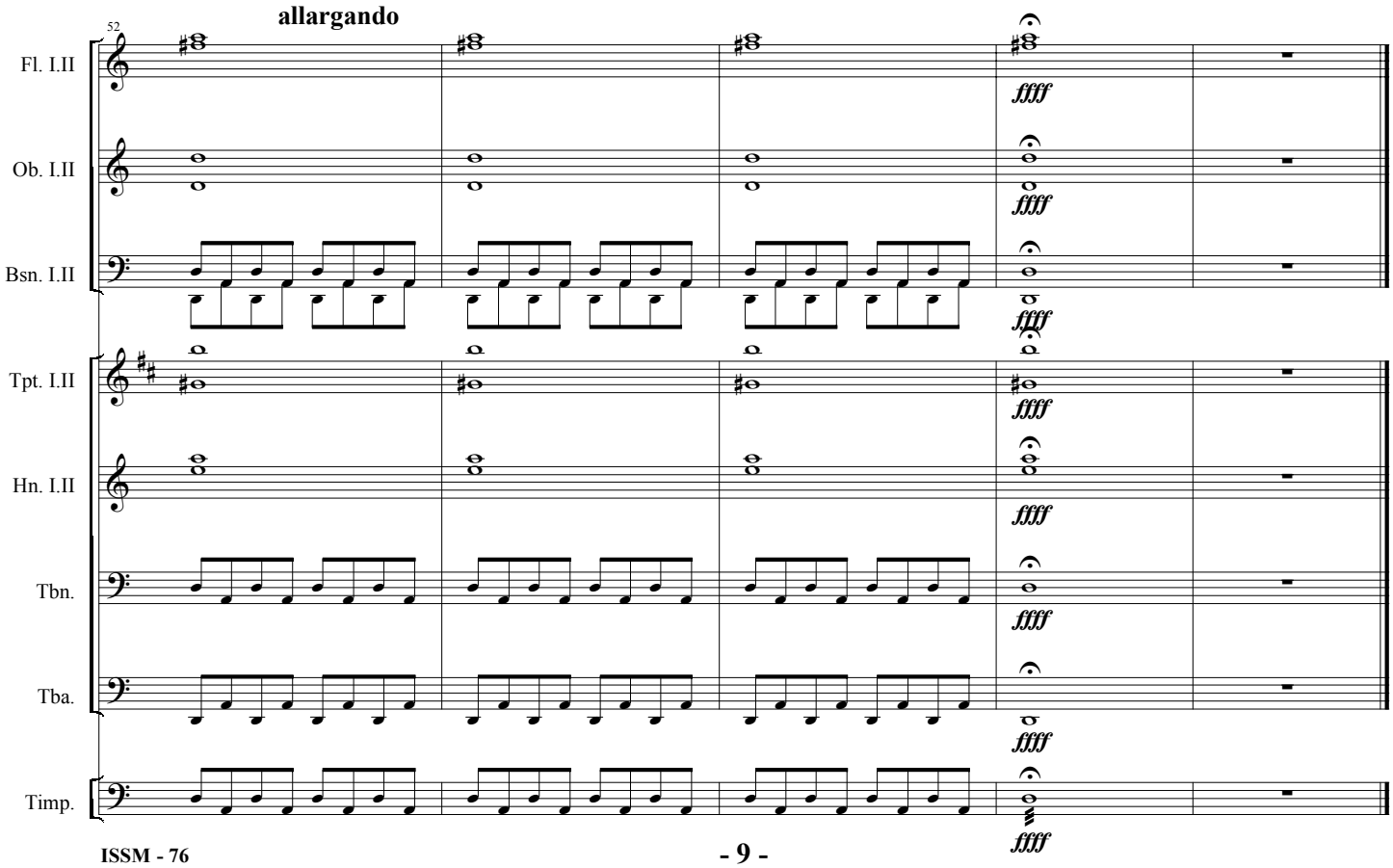
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