

# DIVISIONS I

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Solo Violin

*Divisions* is a catalogue of Baroque techniques and motifs, that took initial inspiration from the improvisatory genre of ‘divisions on a ground’. It follows a single duration, the semibreve, through all its subdivisions—crotchet, quaver, semiquaver, triplet, quintuplet, sextuplet—to the semidemiquaver. Similarly, a single interval, the semitone, is developed into the *passus duriusculus*, a descending chromatic fourth, which serves to link each division thematically. It was inspired by the long line of violin virtuosi, a tradition that began in the Baroque era and is continued today by Claire Duff.

Performance Time: *c.* 6 mins

for Claire Duff  
Divisions

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Adagio ♩ = 60

Violin

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*pp* *mp* *p* *mf*

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*mp* *mf*

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11 *poco rit.* *f* *mf*

14 *a tempo*

16 *fast tr. → slow tr.* *p* *mp* *mf*

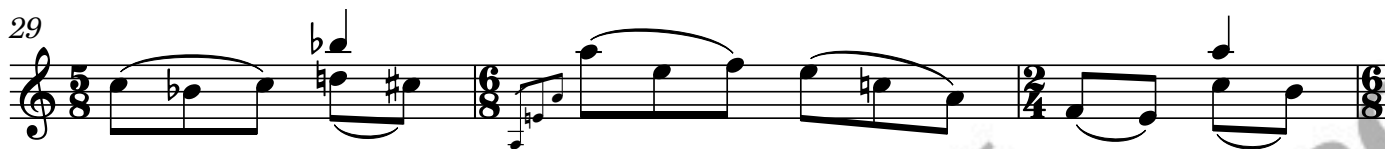
19 *accel.*

23 ♩ = 80

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Alla gigue ♩. = 53



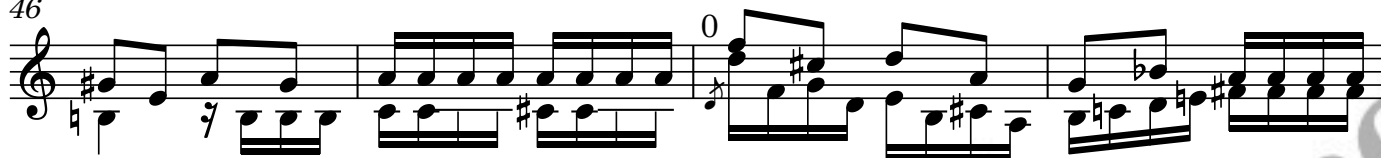


Tempo primo ♩ = 60

42



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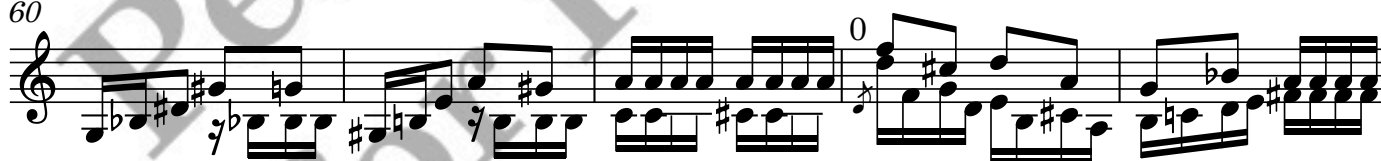
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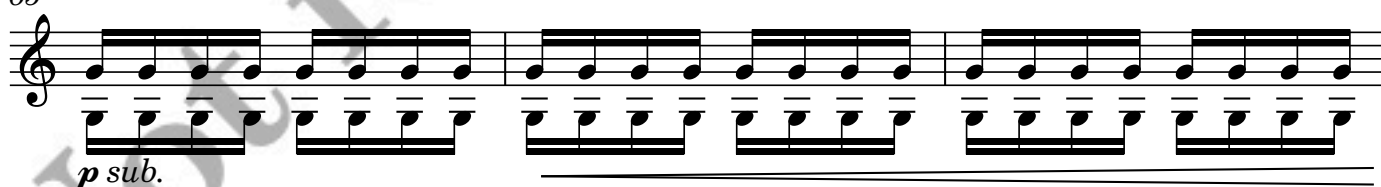


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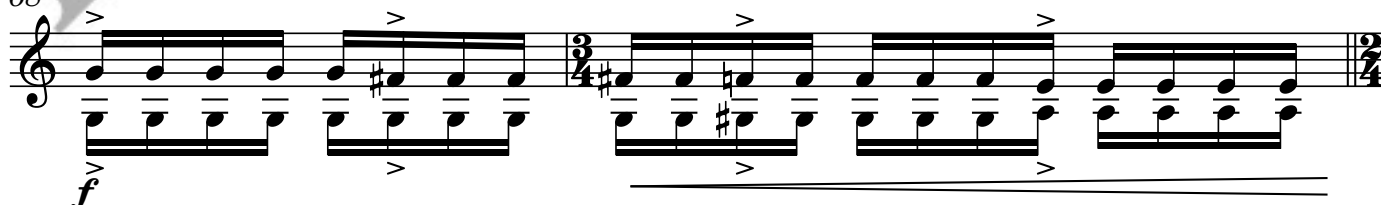


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accel. . . . .



68 ♩ = 75



4  $\text{♩} = \text{♩}^5$

Tempo primo  $\text{♩} = 60$

70  $\text{ff}$

73  $\text{mp sub.}$

76 III 0 0 III

79  $\text{ff}$

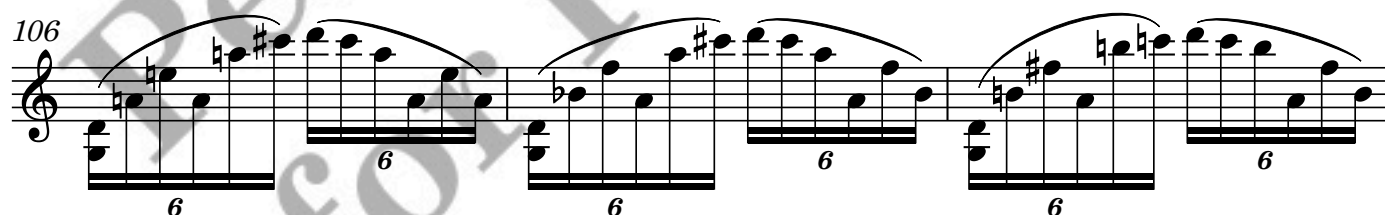
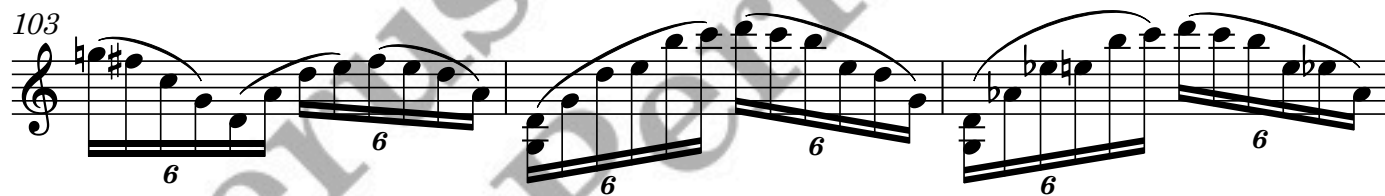
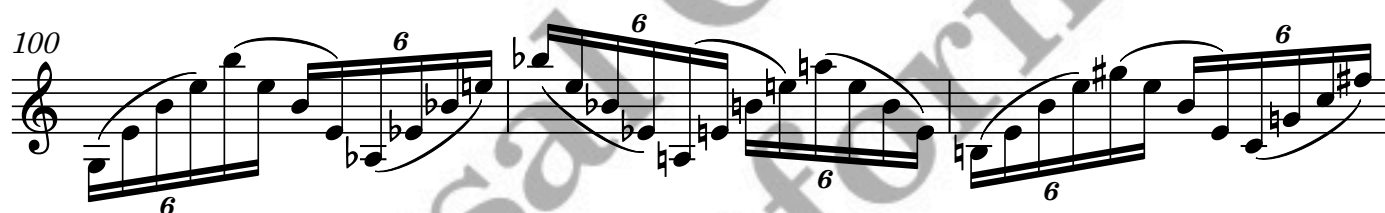
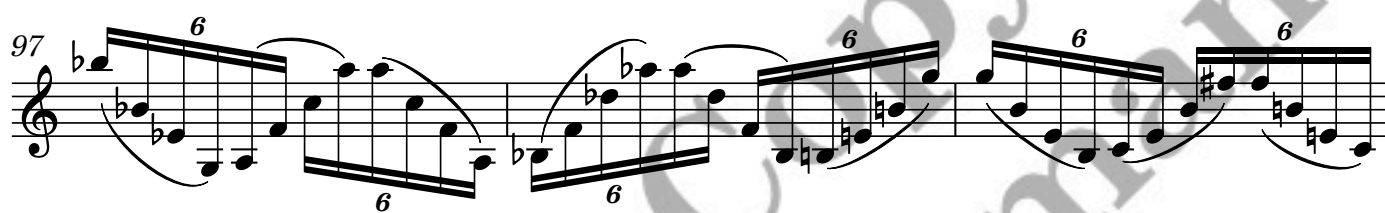
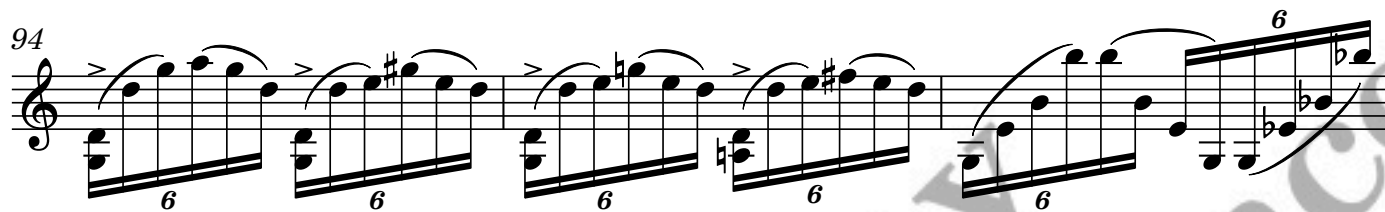
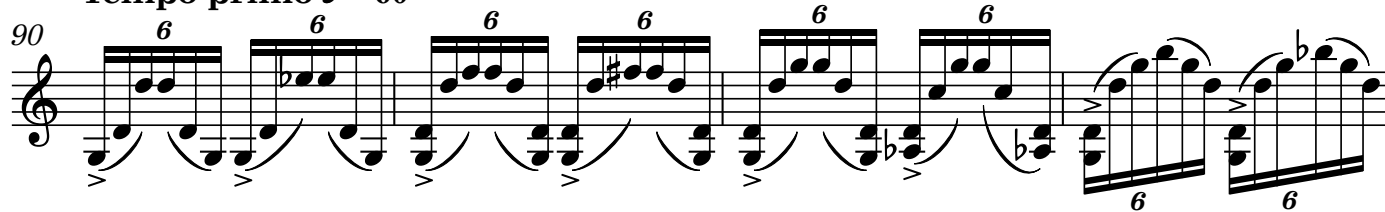
81  $\text{mp sub.}$   $\text{ff}$

83 *brutalmente*  $\text{mp sub.}$

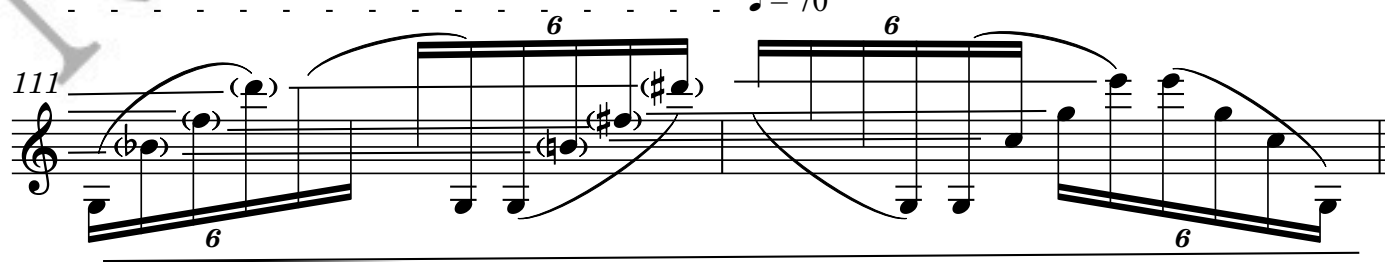
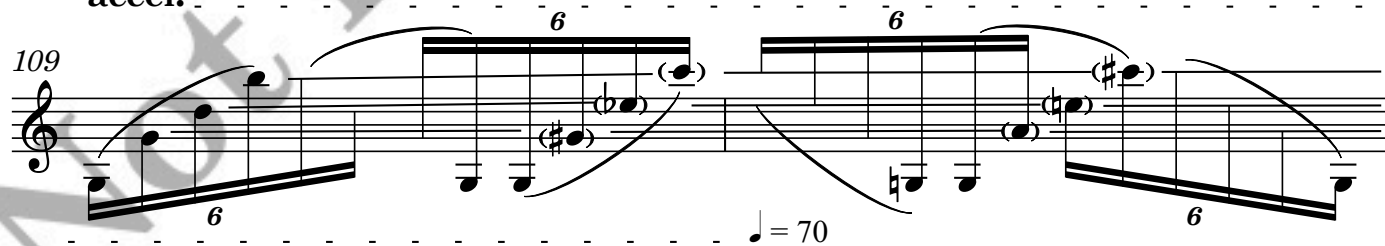
87 *accel.*  $\text{♩} = 73$   $f$



Tempo primo ♩ = 60



accel.





Tempo primo ♩ = 60

