

# VALSE RUBATO

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The musical score is written for piano and left hand. It consists of five systems of music. The first system begins with a tempo marking of *M. M. ♩ = 132* and a dynamic of *p*. The right hand part is marked *r.h.* and the left hand part *l.h.*. The score includes various dynamics such as *p*, *f*, *rit.*, *a tempo*, *schierzando*, *molto rit.*, *dim.*, *rit. dim.*, *mf*, and *p*. There are also markings for *Vivo ed energico* and *To Coda ten. 5*. The score features numerous slurs, ties, and fingering numbers (1-5) for both hands. The piece concludes with a *p* dynamic and a *rit.* marking.

5 5 5 2 3 *drum* *drum* *ff* *rit.* *ten.* *rit.* *D.C.*

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of three flats and a 3/4 time signature. It contains a series of eighth-note patterns with fingerings (5, 5, 5, 2, 3) and dynamic markings including *drum*, *ff*, *rit.*, *ten.*, and *rit.*. The lower staff is in bass clef and provides harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines. A double bar line is followed by a repeat sign and a *D.C.* (Da Capo) instruction.

*CODA* 35 *72* *pp* *accel. e cresc. al fine* *f*

The CODA section begins with a key signature change to two flats and a 3/4 time signature. It features a piano part with dynamic markings *pp* and *f*. The upper staff has a melodic line with fingerings (1, 2, 3, 5) and a crescendo leading to the end. The lower staff provides harmonic support. The section concludes with a final chord and a repeat sign.

*piu rit.* *r.h.* *ff* *fff*

The final system continues the piano part with dynamic markings *piu rit.*, *r.h.* (right hand), *ff*, and *fff*. The upper staff features a melodic line with fingerings (1, 2, 3, 5) and a final flourish. The lower staff provides harmonic accompaniment. The system ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.