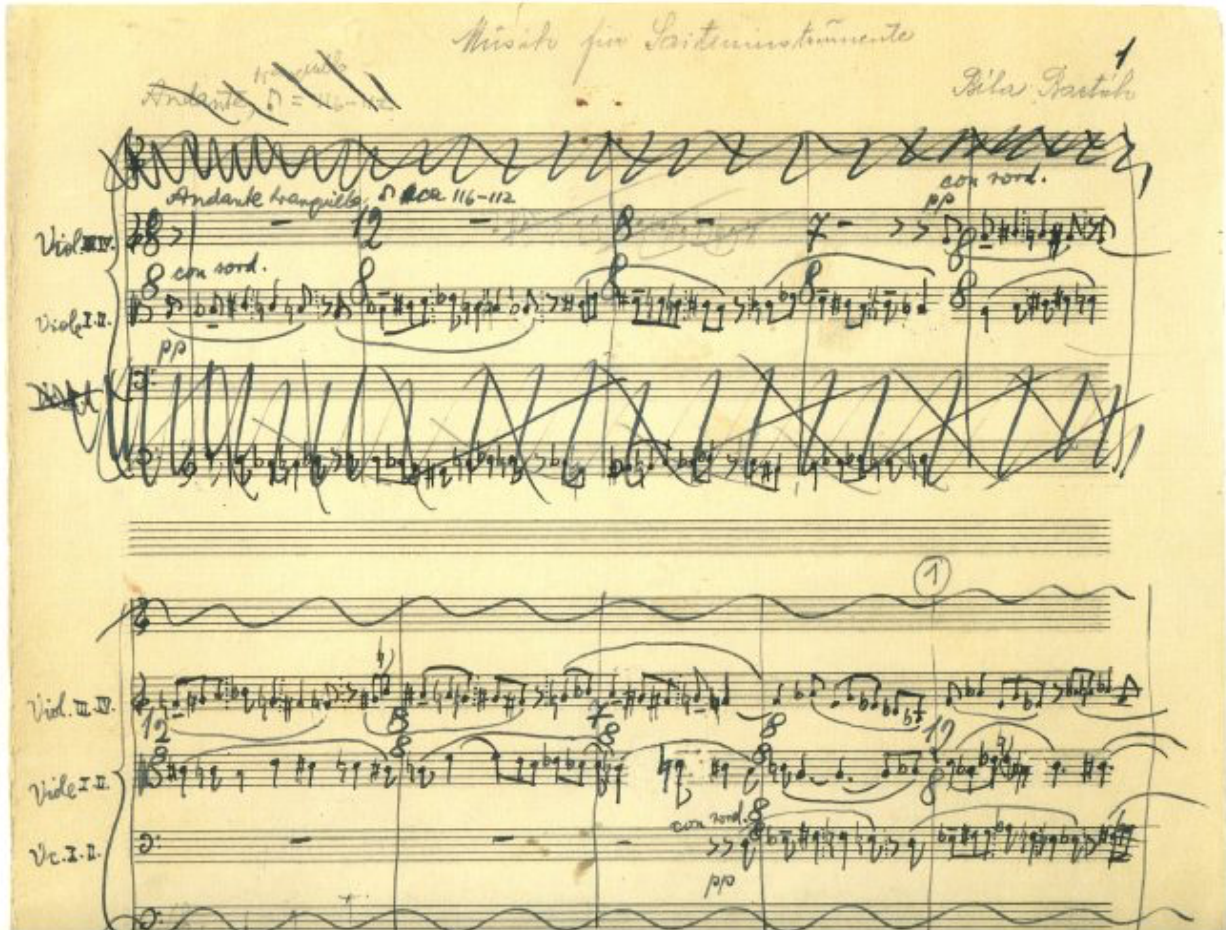


BARTÓK, Béla, 1881-1945

Musik für Saiteninstrumente, Schlagzeug und Celesta. Faksimile des Partiturotographs und der Skizzen. Herausgegeben von Felix Meyer

[Music for Strings, Percussion & Celeste]



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