



4 Pieces, Op. 4: No. 3 Despair

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🎵 Level 65/100 (Advanced)

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3. DISPERAZIONE / DESPAIR / VERZWEIFLUNG

Andante con agitazione e dolore

The musical score is written for piano in 6/8 time. It consists of five systems of staves. The first system shows a right-hand melody starting with a piano (*p*) dynamic and a crescendo (*cresc.*) marking, while the left hand has a single note. The second system continues the right-hand melody with a decrescendo (*dim.*) marking, and the left hand enters with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The third system features a more complex texture with chords and a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The fourth system continues with similar chordal textures. The fifth system concludes with a piano (*p*) dynamic and includes markings for *m.s.* (mezzo-soprano) and *m.d.* (mezzo-dolce).

p *cresc.*

f *espressivo*

dim. *p*

mf

m.s. *m.d.* *m.s.*

p