

# RICERCARI

A QUATTRO, A CINQUE, E A SEI,

Con 1 2 3 4 5 6 Soggetti Sonabili

DI

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DEDICATI

*ALLI ECCELLENTISSIMI PRENCIPI*

D. GIBERTO PIO  
DI SAVOIA

Cameriere, Generale di Battaglia, e Colonnello  
della Sacra Reale Maestà di  
LEOPOLDO I. IMPERATORE,

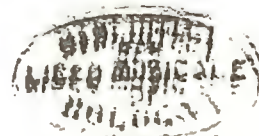
E

D. GIOANNA DI MOVRA

Baroni Romani, Principi di S. Gregorio, Signori di Casape,  
Marchesi di S. Felice, Conti di Soriuoli,  
Nobili Venetiani, e Luchesi.

OPERA TERZA.

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IN BOLOGNA, MDCLXIX.

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# ECCELLENTISSIMI<sup>3</sup> P R E N C I P I.



O rappresento à gli occhi di VV. Eccellenze il suono dipinto à scuro sù queste note , e l' hò tratto di bocca à Cigni del vostro Pò, per collocarlo in Cielo , quasi frà due Inteligenze conforti. Ne certo , ad vna muta armonia poteuo non assegnare i Cieli di Pitagora , ò di Platone , di cui tanto ne fa rumore la Fama , quanto l' orecchio vmano è lungi dall' vdirne il concetto : Mà l' Altezza de vostri Natali ( o Magnanimi Prencipi ) ben poteua fermar la voce alla Fama già stupida , se i moti stessi del tempo sequestrati in questi fogli confessano per immobile la vostra Eternità. E se fù detto , che l' Armonia nata di Venere , e del Dio guerriero stipulò le nozze cō Cadmo armato ( quegli che seminò la serie de gli Eroi ) à chi poteuasi consagrar questa picciola partitura , figlia del genio , e della viuezza , che alla beltà , ed al valore di GILBERTO , e di GIOVANNA due corpi luminosi dell' Italico Clima ? Supplico in tanto Vostre Eccellenze à non aborreire questo Musico ossequio , che se bene sproportionato ad oggetto sì grande , pure gli è opera di proportioni ; nè io sapeuo destinare à lor piedi la mia fortuna , che obligandola alle cadenze .

Di Vostre Eccellenze

Vmilissimo , e Diuotissimo Seruitore

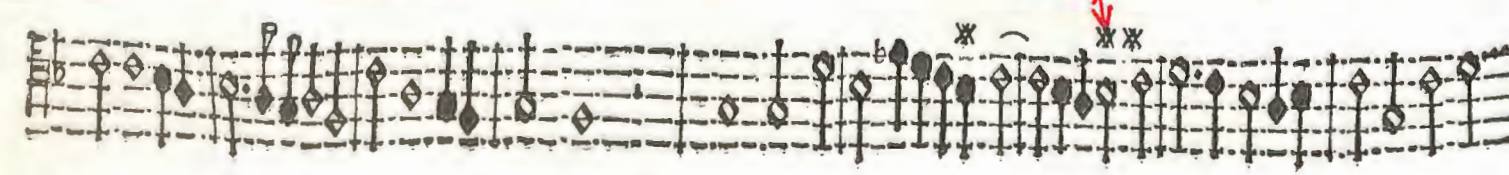
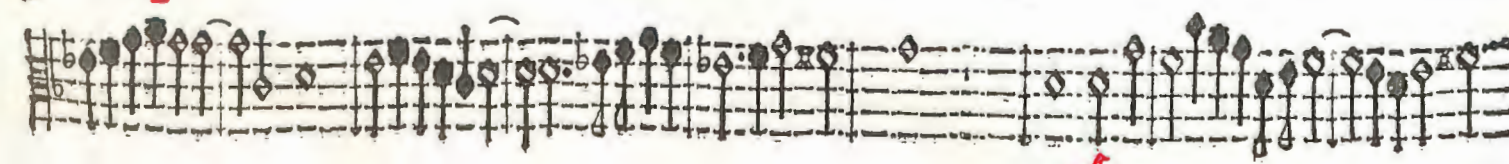
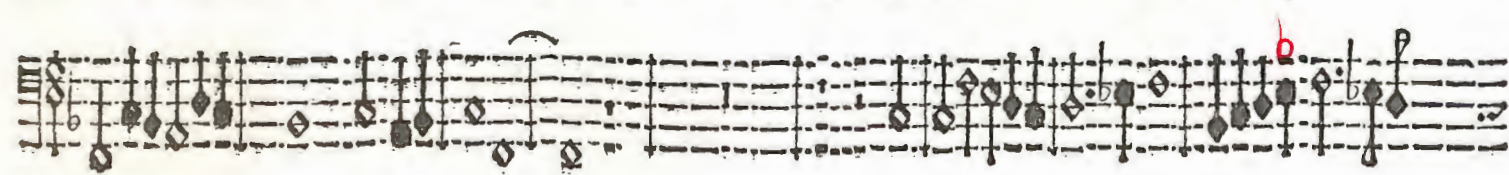
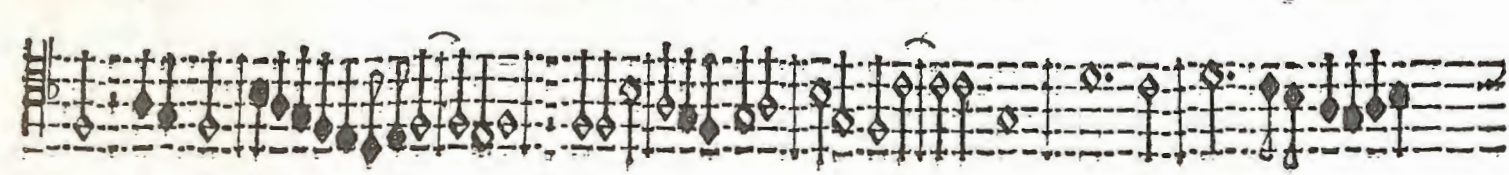
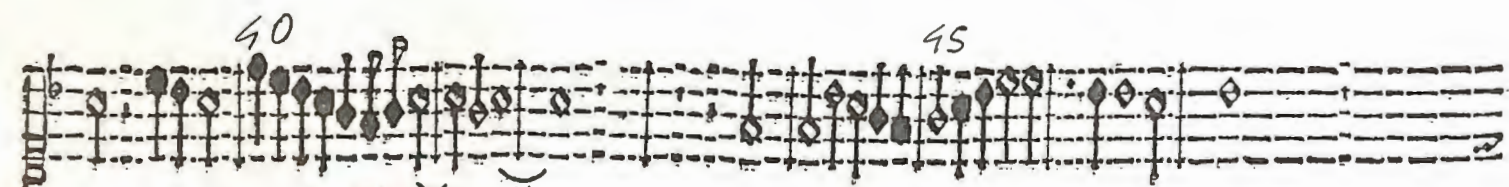
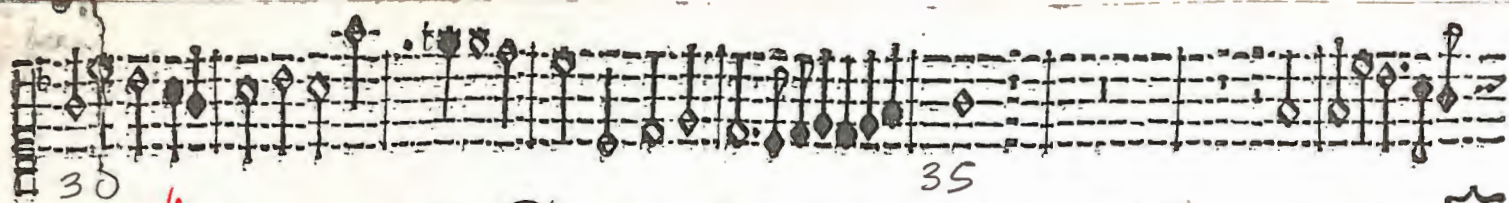
# L'AVVTORE A CHI LEGGE.



Ncorche non sia espressa mia professione il suonare d'Organo, e di Cimbalo, dilettrandomi tanto, che basti à sodisfar me stesso, feci trè anni sono nella mia Patria questi Ricercari, più per fuggir l'otio, che per altro fine. E perche molt'anni sono in questa Illustrissima Città di Ferrara fui onorato due volte della Carica di Mastro di Cappella dell'Accademia della Morte, e per la terza volta vengo ricondotto in questa dello Spirito Santo; e per essere informatissimo delli Soggetti Insigni, partoriti dalle sudette Accademie singolari nel genere di suonare, come furono li Signori Organisti Ferraresi, Luzasco Luzaschi, Milleville Millevilli, Ercole Pasquini, e per vltimo il celebratissimo Girolamo Frescobaldi, Mostro de gli Organisti, inuentore di tanti stili di suonare, e mio Maestro, mi son mosso per l'istanze non ordinarie fattemi da Amici, e Virtuosi, di dare alla Stampagli accennati Ricercari, hauendo osseruato benissimo essere quasi estinta questa forma, con la morte di quei Soggetti; e per svegliare ancora, e far animo ad altri di far conoscere al Mondo le loro virtù, sapendo benissimo, che non mancano Ingegni di gran valore (da me riueriti al possibile) quali possono far vedere opera più degna, e cospicua di questa mia, la quale compatirai (Benigno Lettore) se non è di quella perfettione, che desideri, stante, come dissi, non essere mia professione. Ricordati, che si muore, quando meno vi si pensa, e con li tuoi sudori lasciati tal volta, diuenta in vn subito Maestro, chi non fù mai Scolaro. Gli Autori di sopra accennati professauano di suonare le quattro parti, che oggidì, da tali, e quali appena si sente entrare con realtà la seconda parte, non che la terza, e la quarta. Nè si stimauano valorosi per suonare vn semplice Basso Continuo, conforme si tengono molti; nè quel che suonauano in spatio d'vn' ora, li seruiua per anni; mà s'immortalorno (oltre la velocissima, delicatissima, e ben regolata mano) nel suonare materia di studio, con ottimo contrapunto, di fughe perfette, sempre variando, di rispondere puntualmente al Canto Fermo, & in particolare, attendeuanò al suonare di Ricercaro, essendo nel genere di suonare il più dotto, sicome nel genere di comporre è tale quello à Capella, nè mi replicare, dicendo, oggidì vsa così, essendo risposta da ingegno debile, mentre vediamo, che nell'ordine delle cose, la scienza hà preceduto. E se in questi due stili ti approfittarai, a. cora t'immortalarai. Viui felice,

Con vn soggetto solo.

This is a handwritten musical score for a piece titled "Ricercari del Battiferri". The score is written on ten staves, each containing a single melodic line. The notation is characteristic of the 16th century, featuring a single-clef treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a common time signature (C). The music is composed of a single subject, as indicated by the title "Con vn soggetto solo." at the top. The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines. Some measures contain a small 'x' mark, possibly indicating a specific rhythmic value or a performance instruction. The staves are numbered 10, 15, 20, and 25, indicating the measure numbers. The handwriting is in a cursive style, typical of the period. The paper shows signs of age, with some staining and wear.

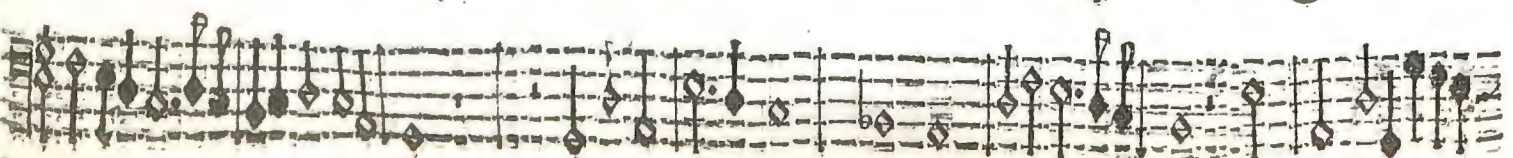
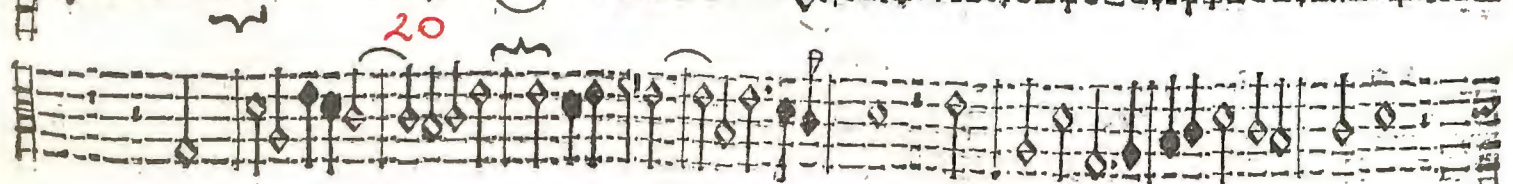
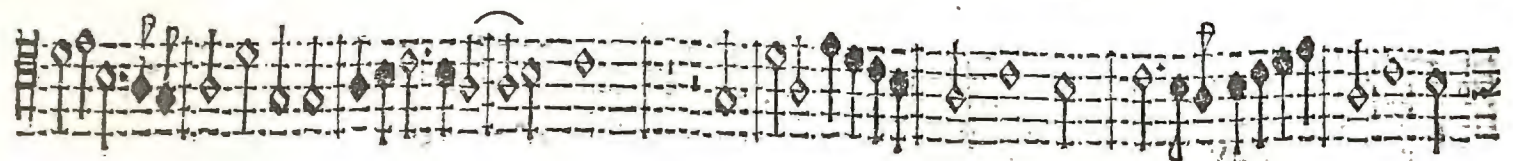
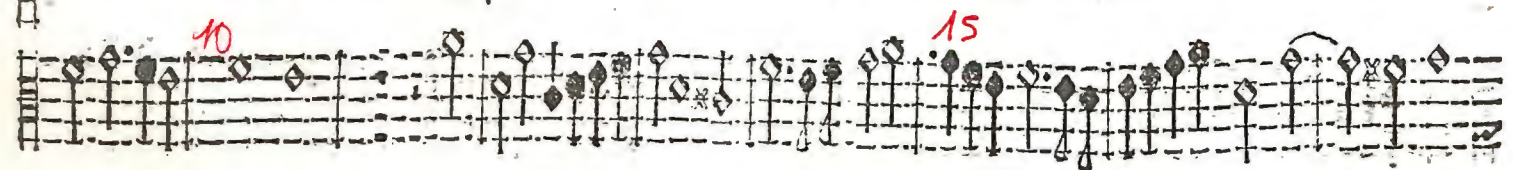


Handwritten musical notation on four staves. The notation includes various notes, rests, and accidentals. Above the first staff, there is a red 'b' and the number '60'. Above the second staff, there is a red 'b' and the number '65'. Above the third staff, there is a red 'b' and the number '70'. Above the fourth staff, there is a red 'b' and the number '76'. A red 'X' is written above the first staff on the right side.

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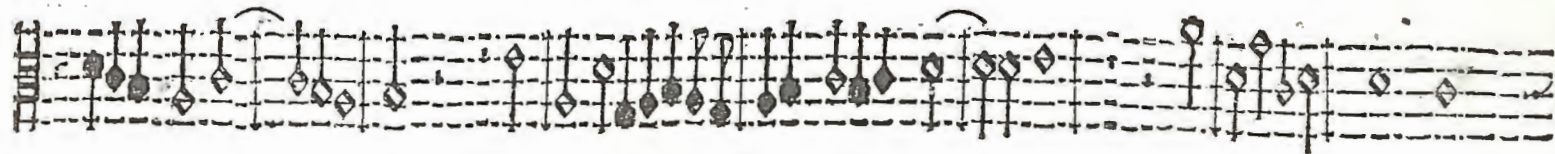
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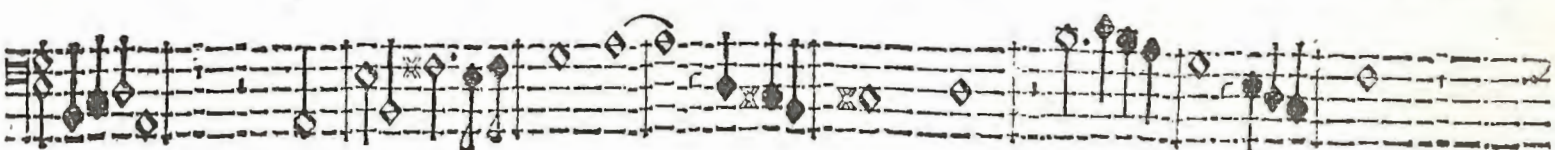
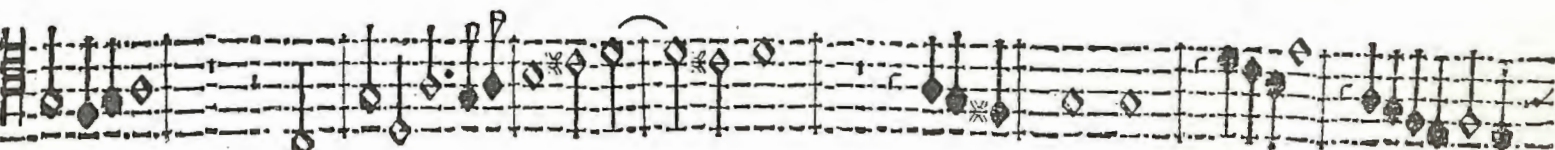
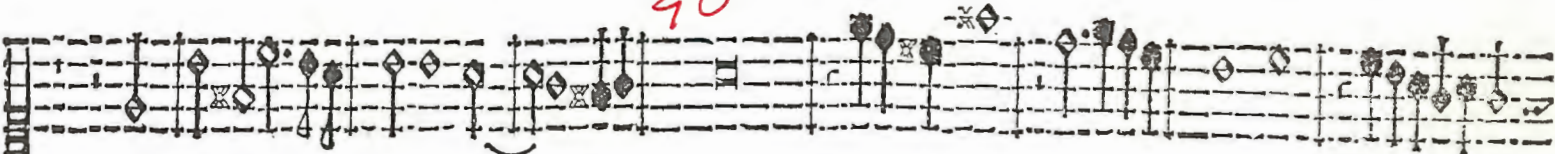


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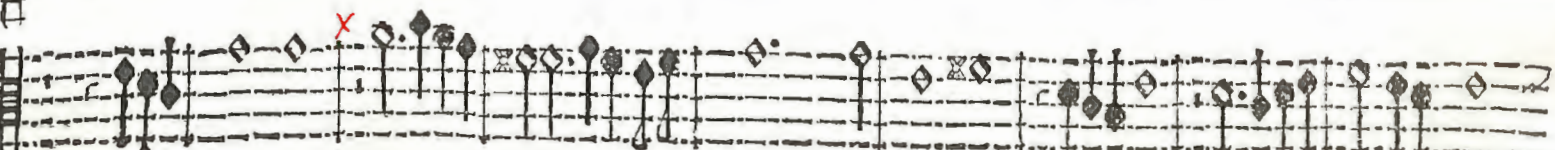


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Handwritten musical notation on four staves, measures 55-60. The notation includes various notes, rests, and accidentals. A red 'd' is written above the first staff, measure 56. The notation is dense and appears to be a form of shorthand or a specific dialect of musical notation.

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Handwritten musical notation on four staves, measures 65-70. The notation includes various notes, rests, and accidentals. A red 'd' is written above the first staff, measure 66. The notation is dense and appears to be a form of shorthand or a specific dialect of musical notation.

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Handwritten musical notation on four staves, measures 75-80. The notation includes various notes, rests, and accidentals. The notation is dense and appears to be a form of shorthand or a specific dialect of musical notation.

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con un soggetto solo.

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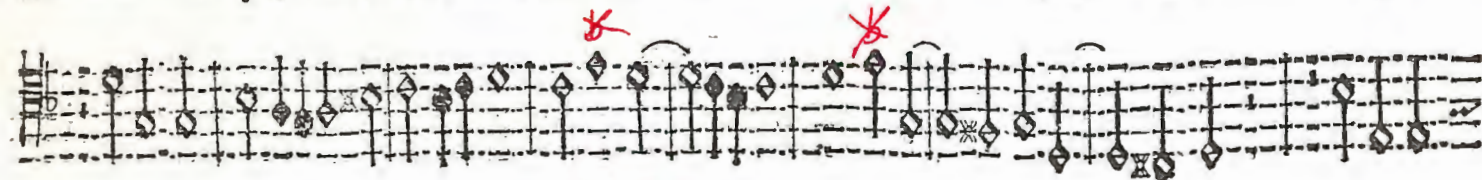
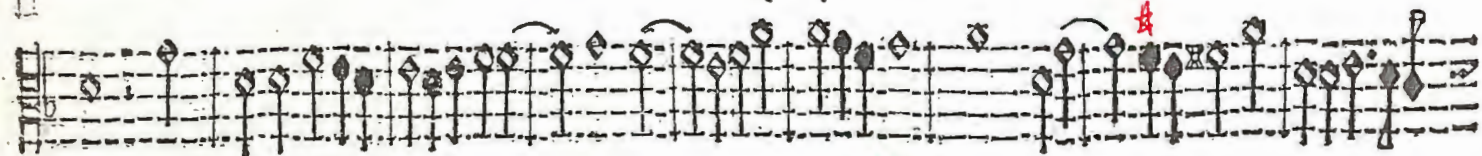
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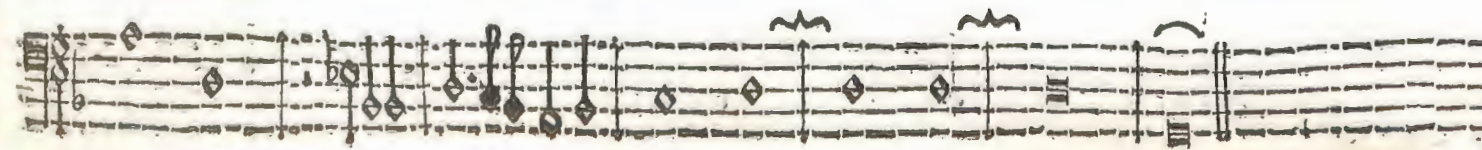
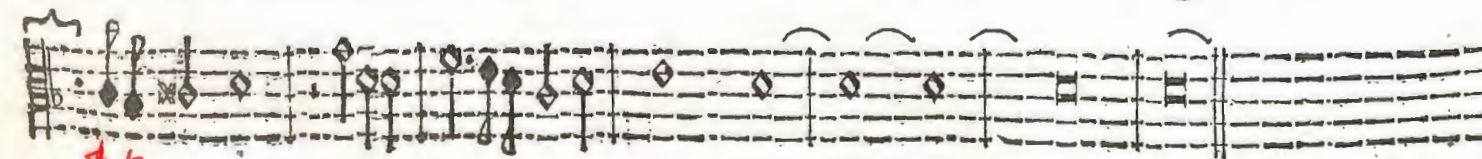


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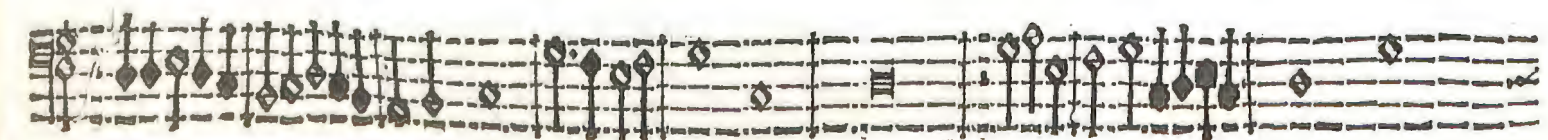
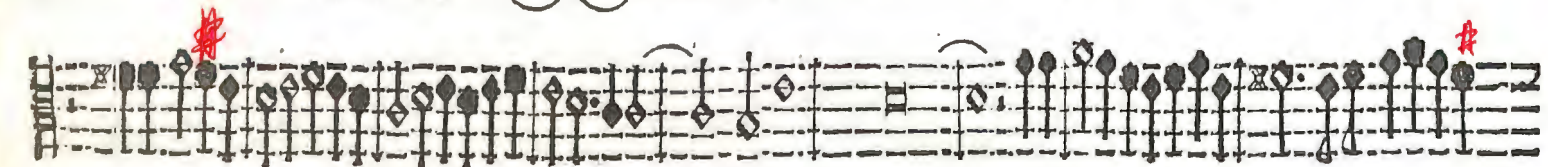
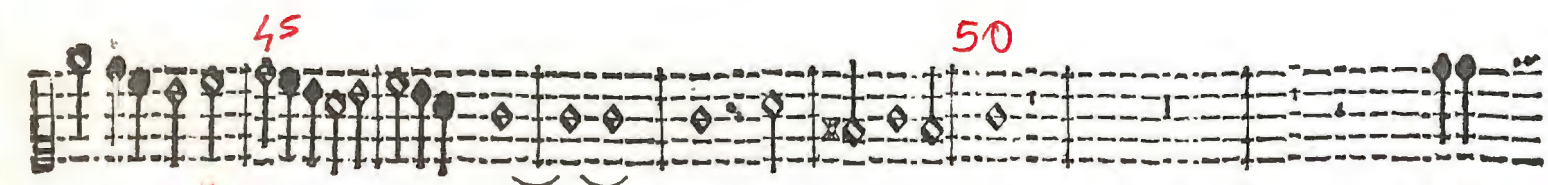
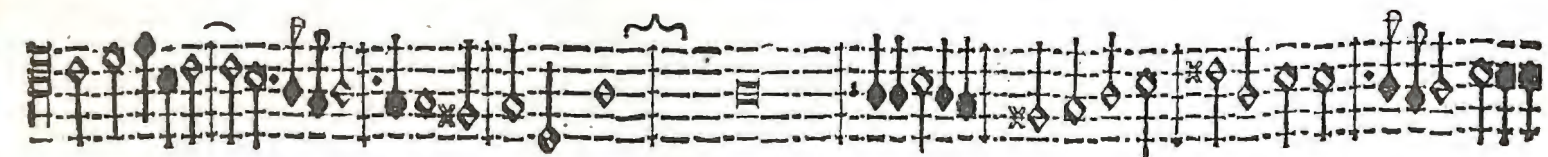
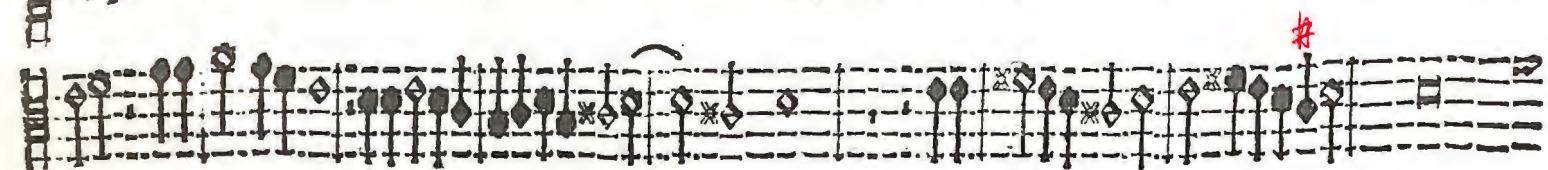
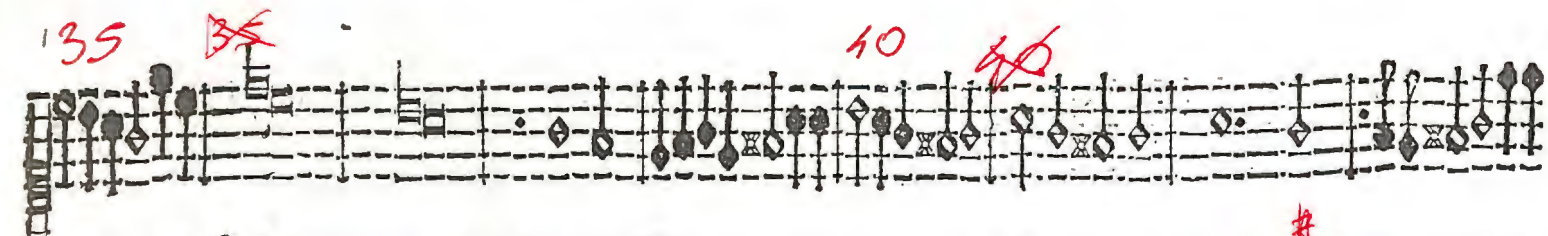
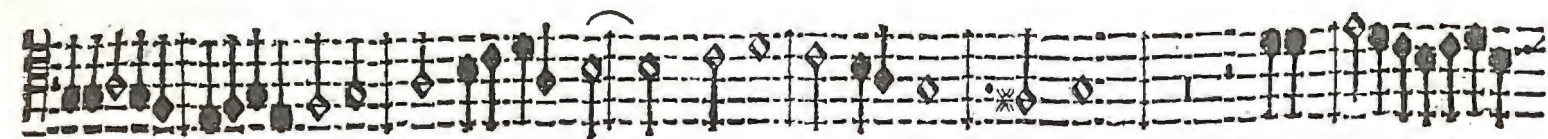
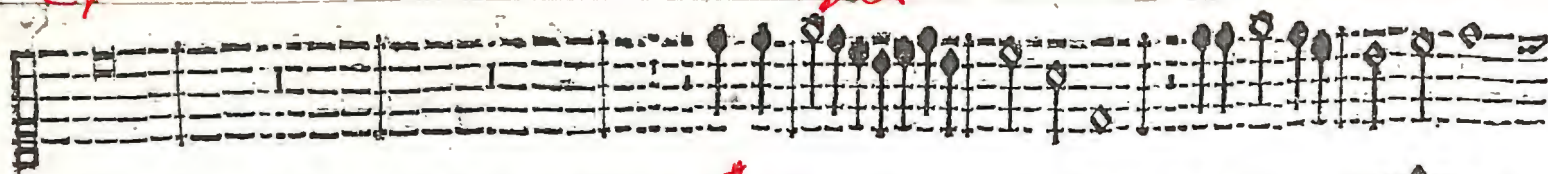
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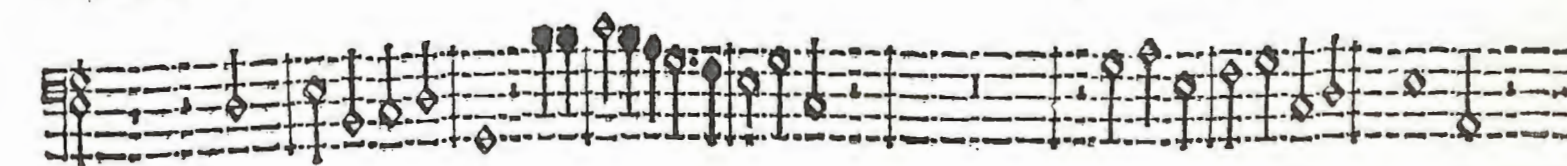
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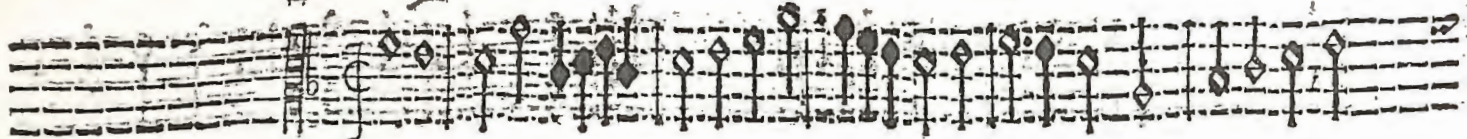
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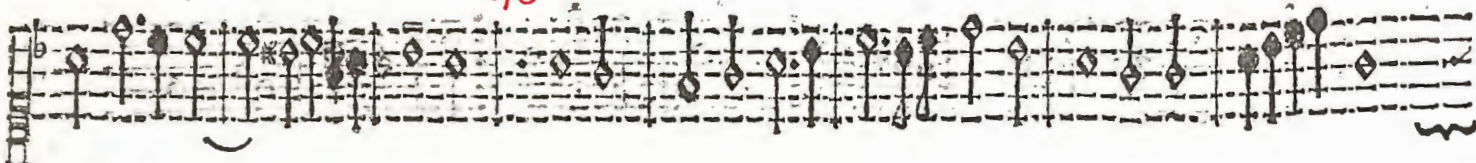


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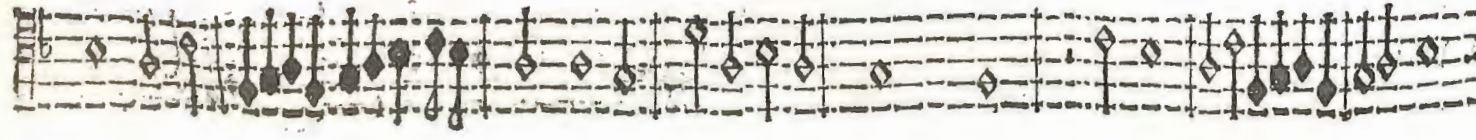
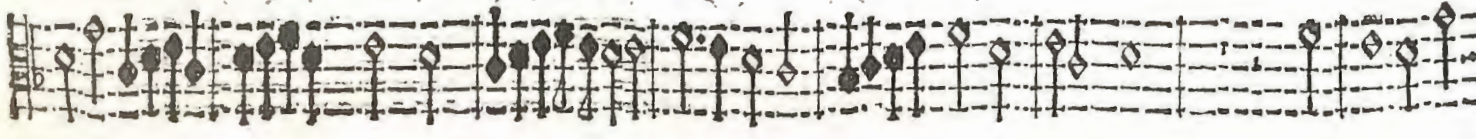


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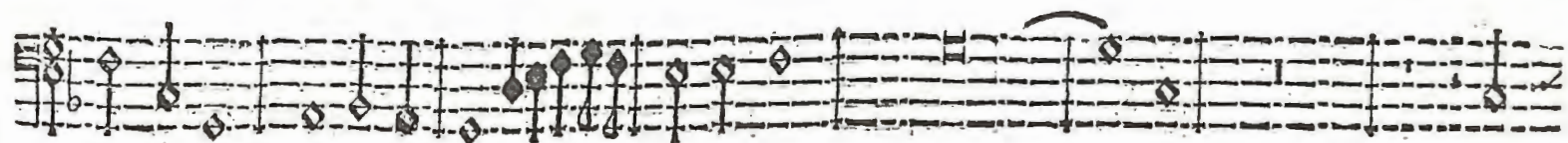
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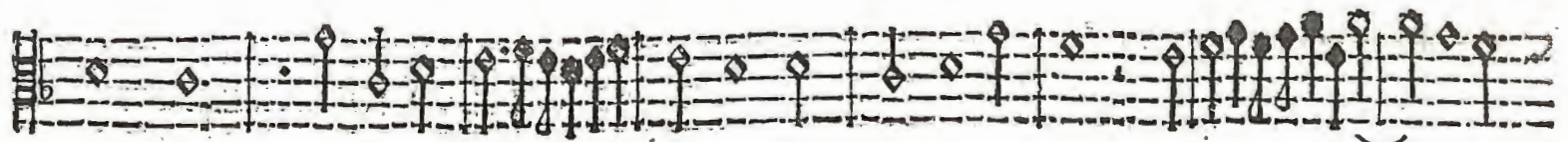
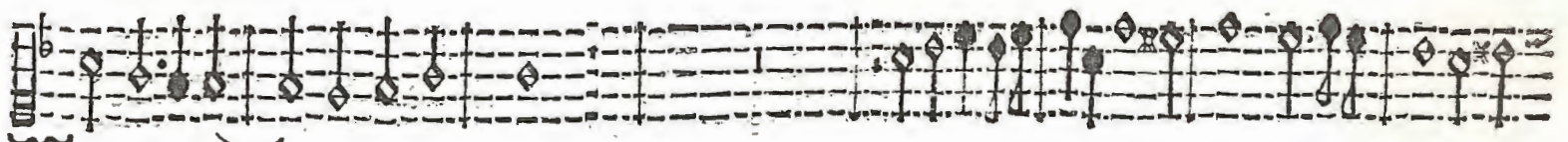


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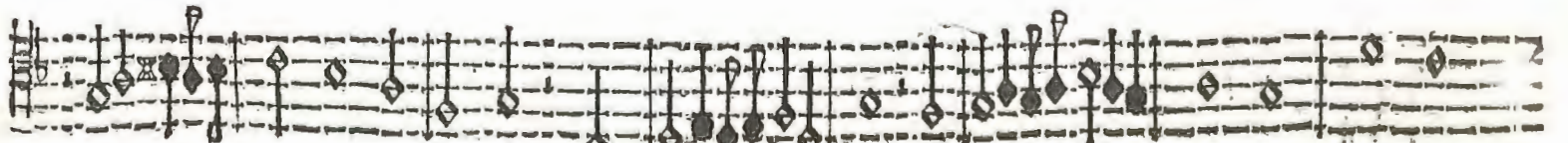
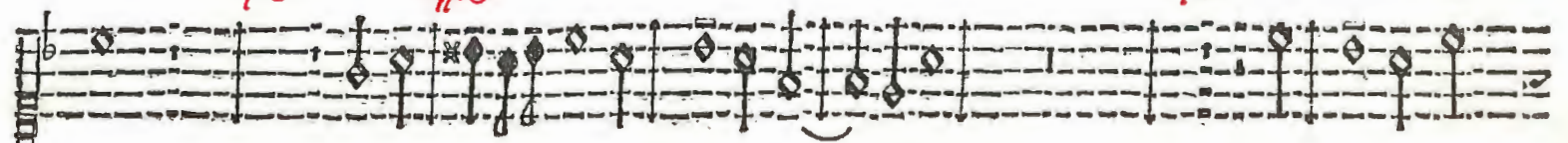
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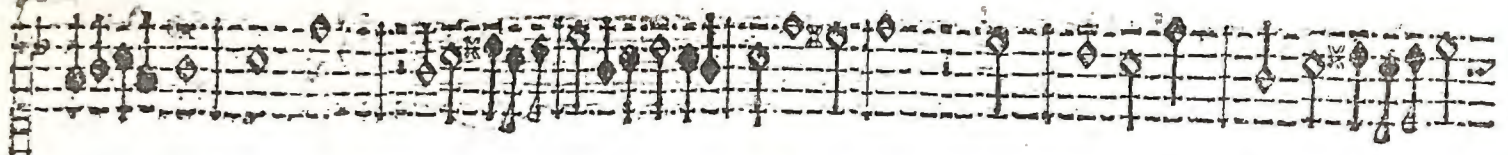
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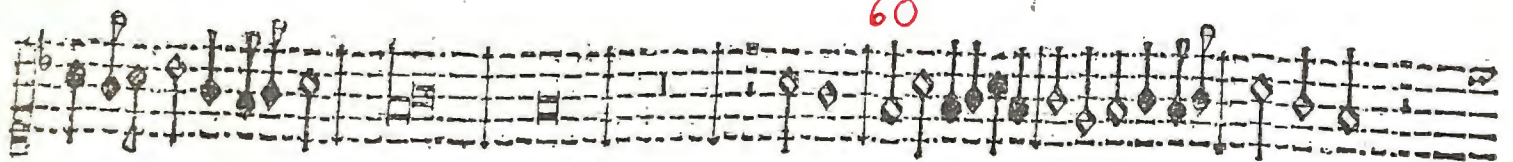


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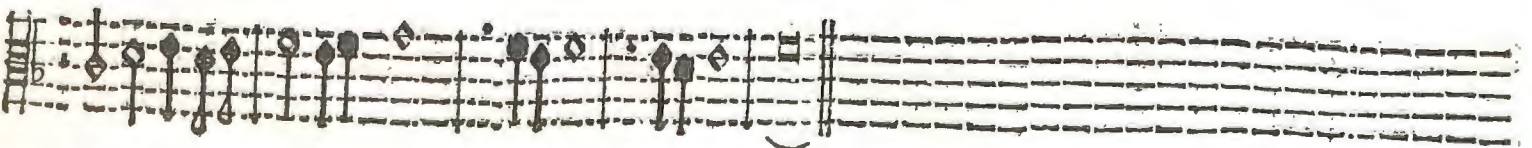
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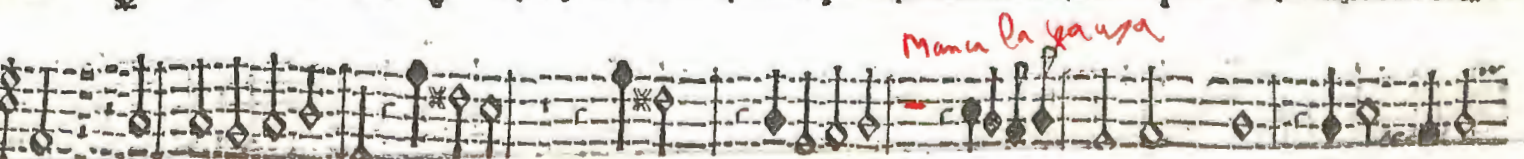
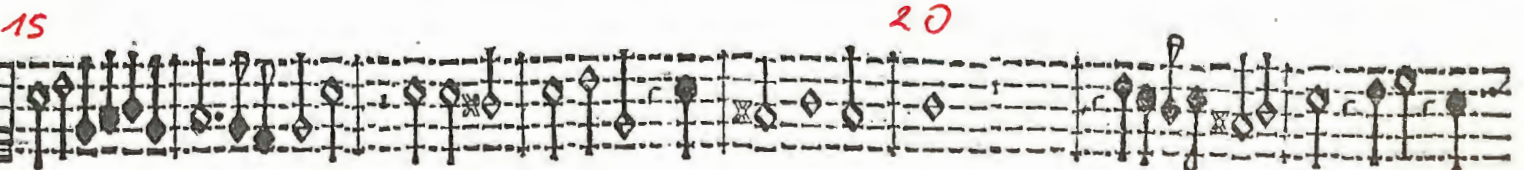
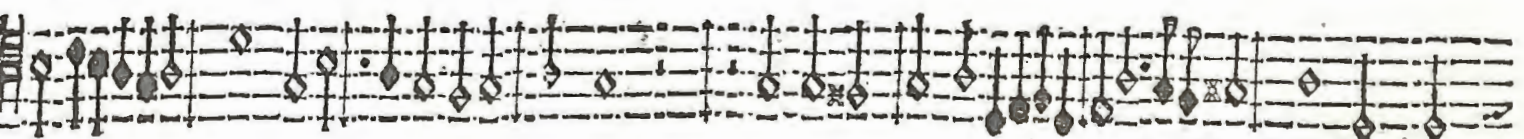
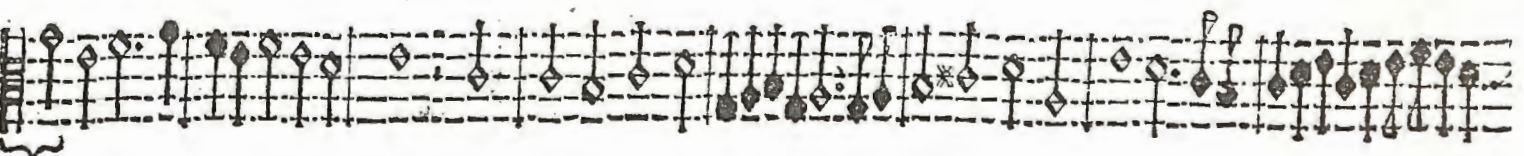
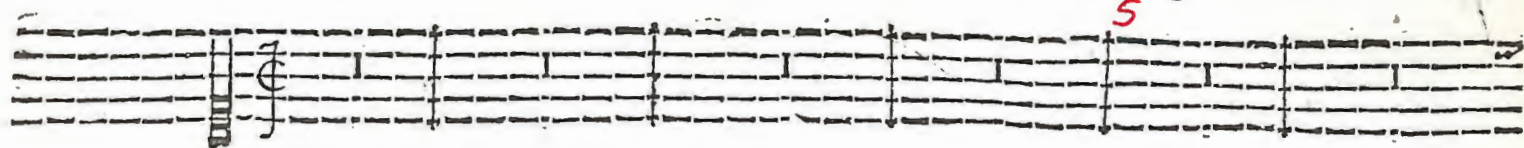
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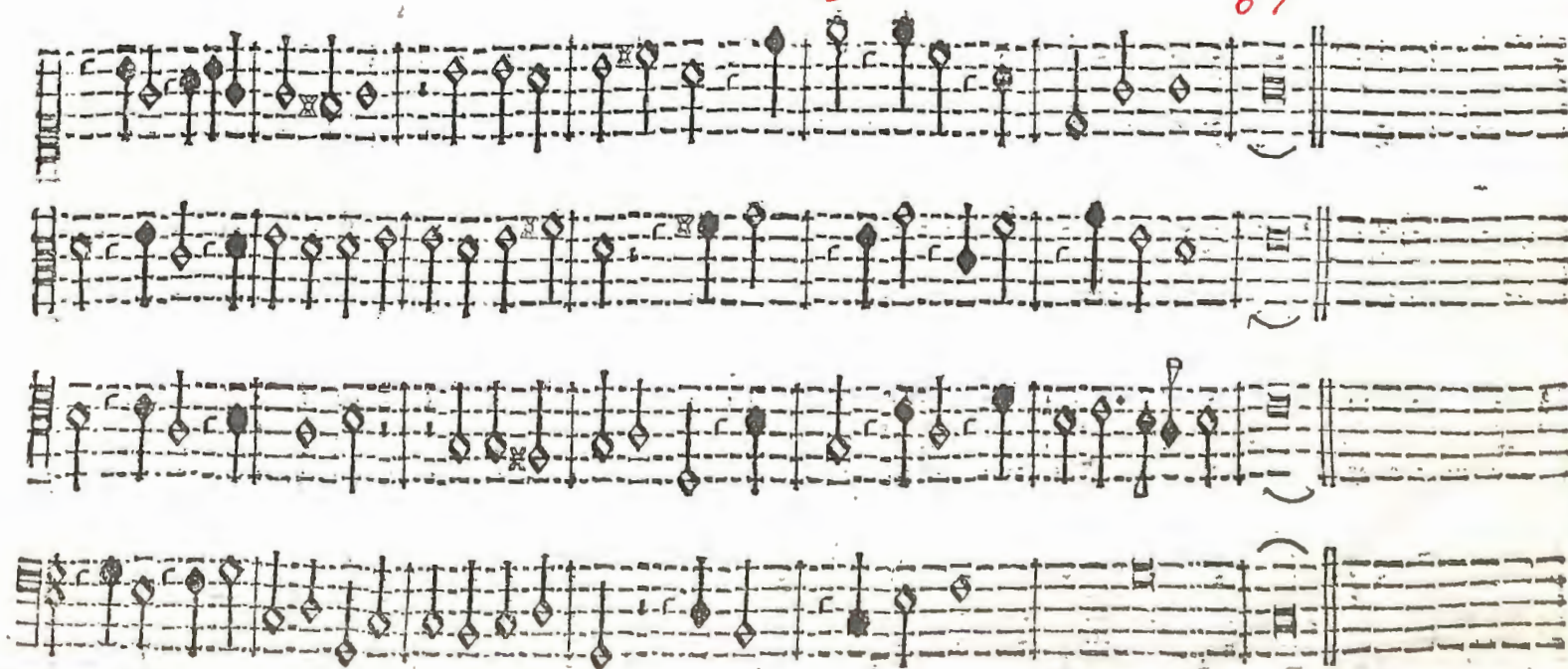
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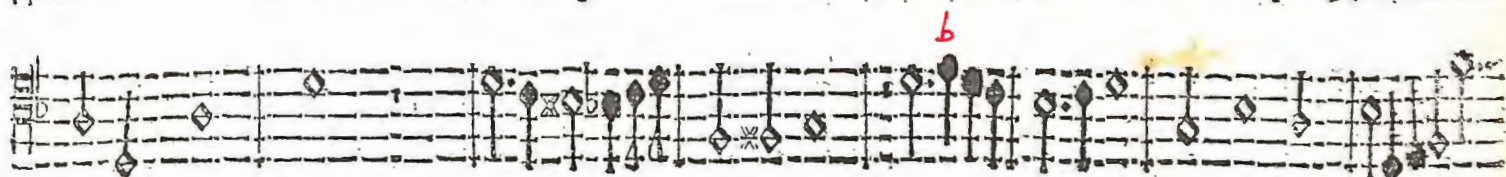
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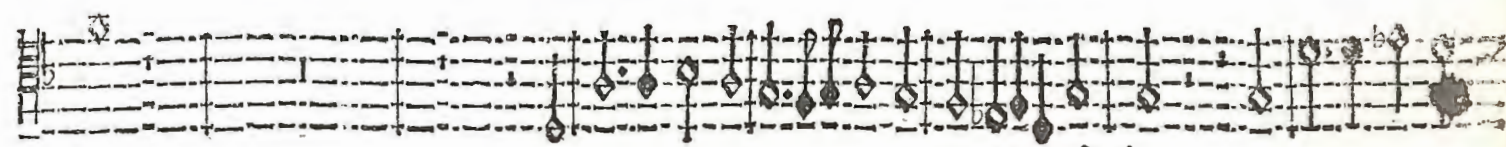
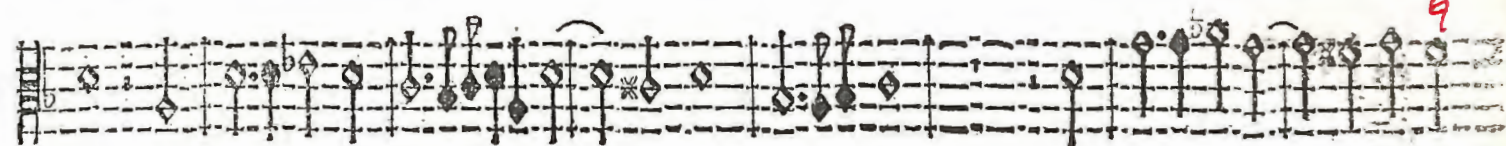
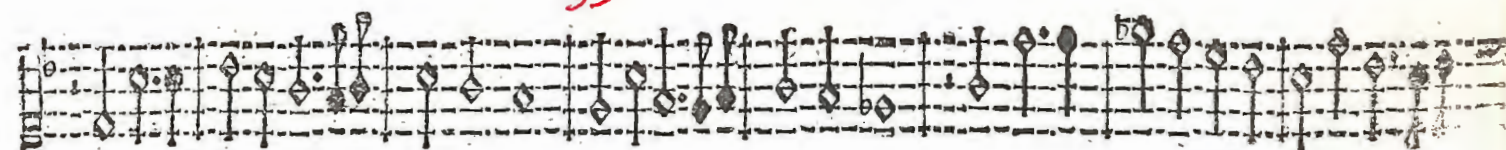
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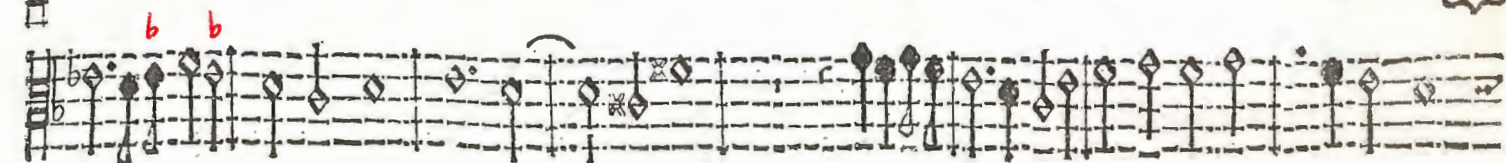
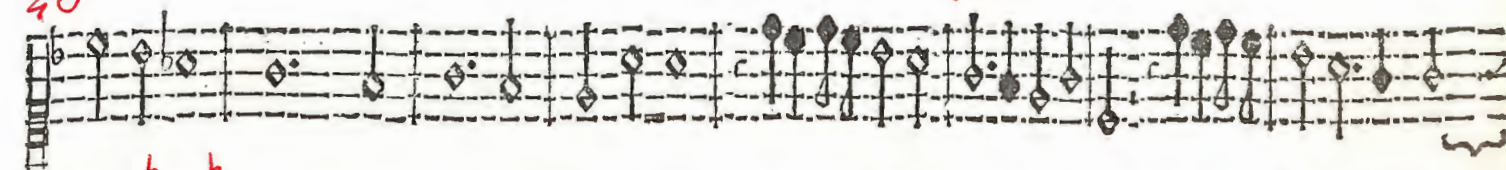


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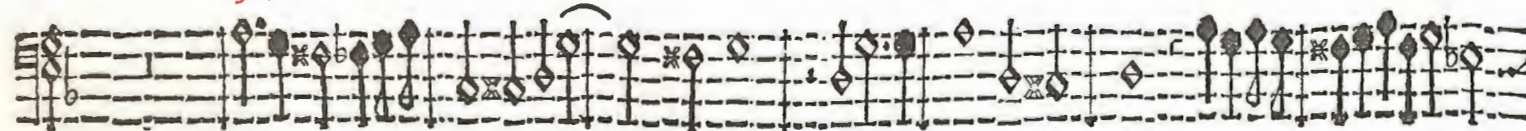
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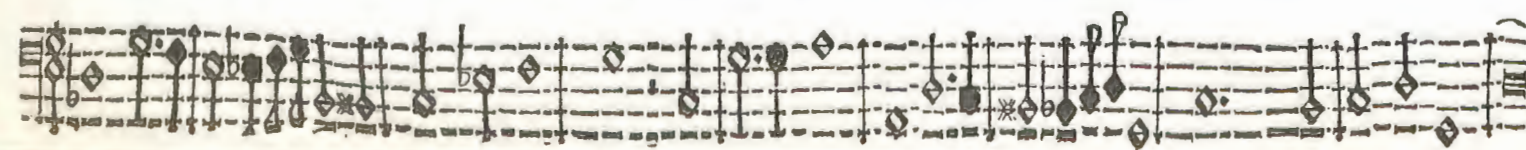
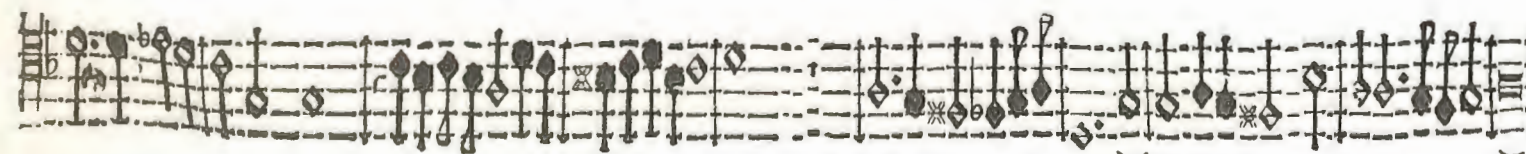
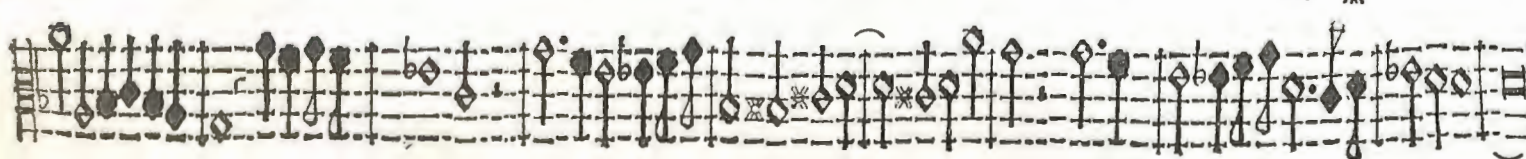
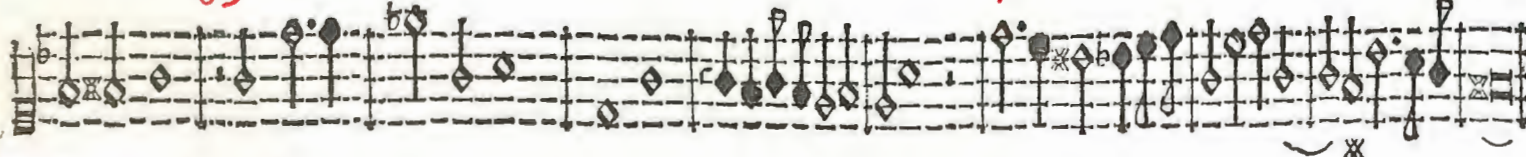
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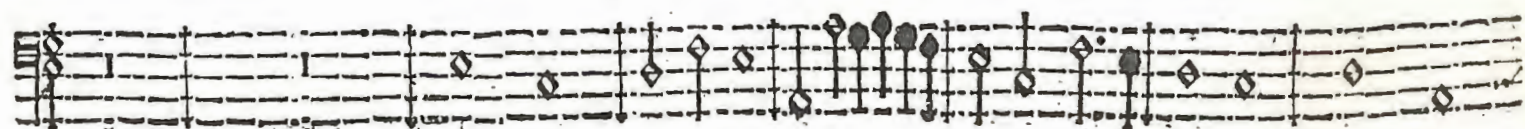
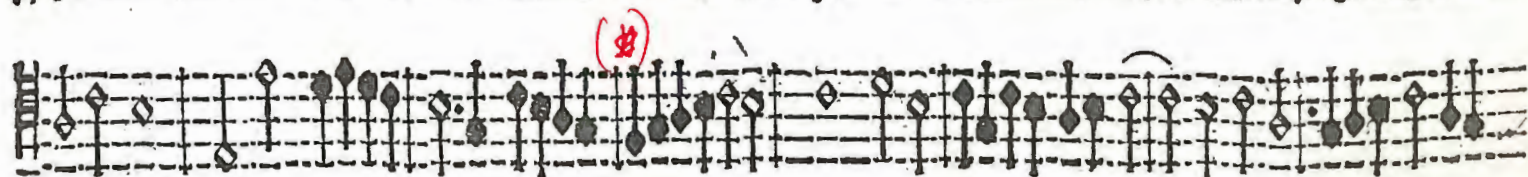


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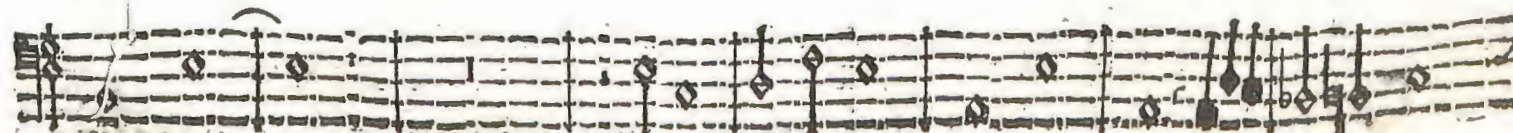
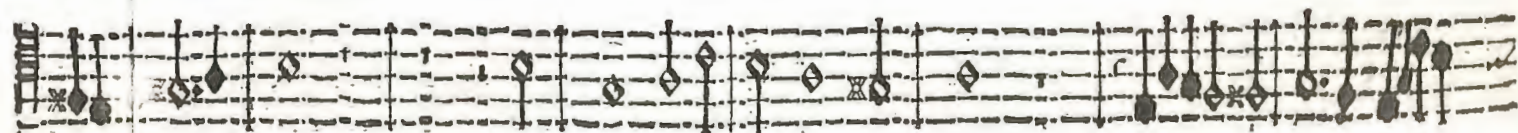
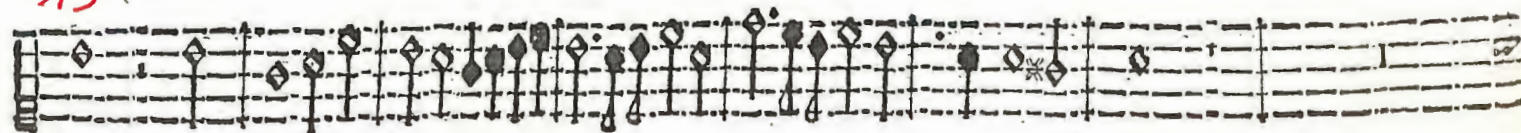
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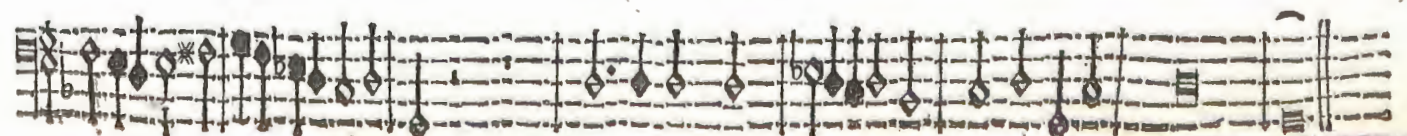
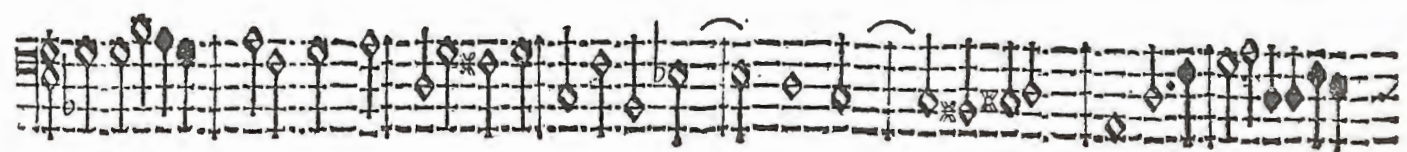
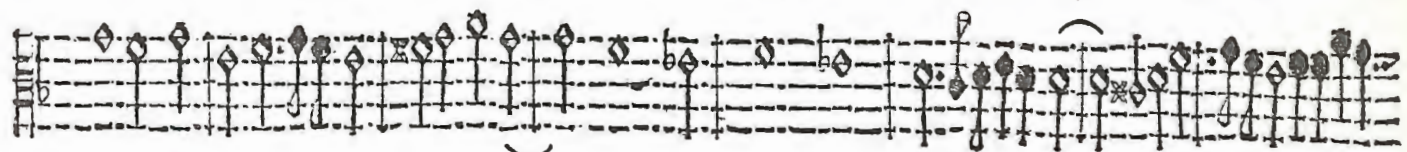
Handwritten musical score for Ricercaro Nono, featuring 12 staves of music. The notation includes various notes, rests, and accidentals. Red annotations are present throughout the score:

- A red '5' is written above the first staff.
- A red '10' is written above the fifth staff.
- Red 'b' and '4' are written above the sixth staff.
- A red '4' is written above the seventh staff.
- A red 'X' and '15' are written above the eighth staff.
- A red '4' is written above the ninth staff.
- A red '20' is written above the tenth staff.

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This image shows a page of handwritten musical notation, identified as "Ricercaro Decimo" and "Con quattro foggetti." The page is numbered "30" in the top left corner. The notation is written on four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The music consists of a series of notes, many of which are marked with a diamond symbol, indicating a specific type of note or ornament. There are several red annotations on the page: a red "5" above the first staff, a red "10" above the fifth staff, a red "(4)" above the sixth staff, a red "4" above the seventh staff, a red "15" above the eighth staff, and a red "20" above the ninth staff. The notation is dense and complex, typical of early modern lute or keyboard music.

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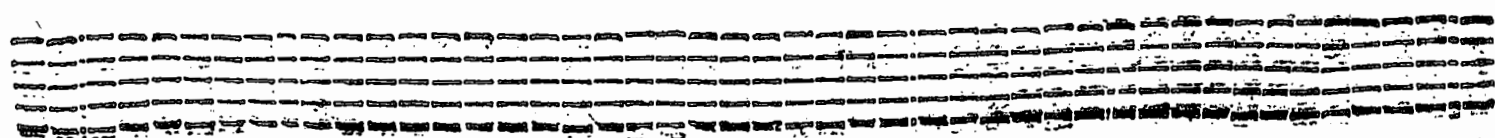
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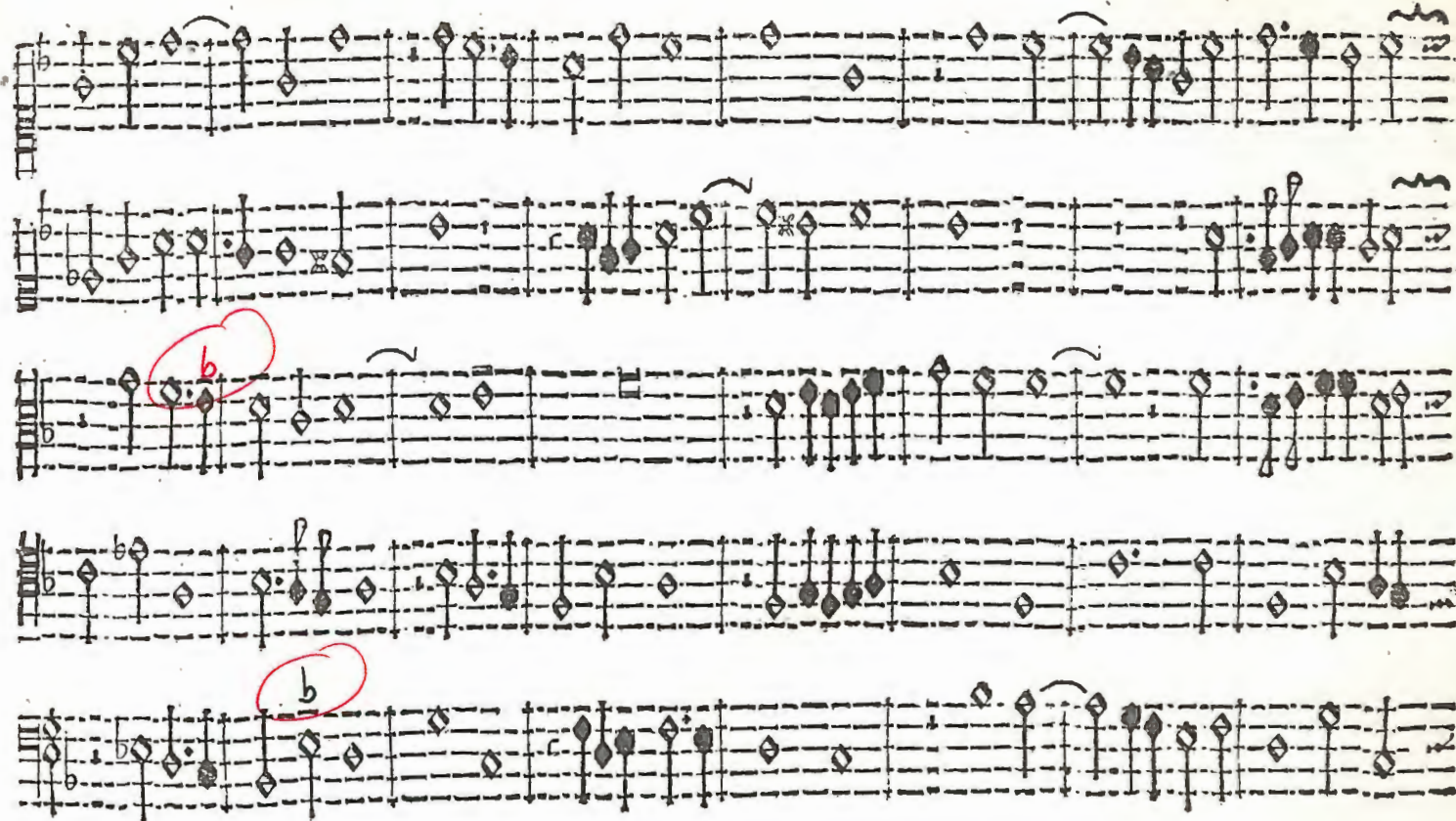
Handwritten musical notation on five staves. The notation includes various notes, rests, and accidentals. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The second staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The third staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The fourth staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The fifth staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. There are several annotations in red ink: a sharp sign (#) followed by 'PO' on the third staff, and a sharp sign (#) followed by 'NO' on the fourth staff. The notation is dense and appears to be a complex piece of music.

Two empty musical staves, each consisting of five lines.

Handwritten musical notation on five staves. The notation includes various notes, rests, and accidentals. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The second staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The third staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The fourth staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The fifth staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. There is a red circle around a flat sign (b) on the third staff. The notation is dense and appears to be a complex piece of music.

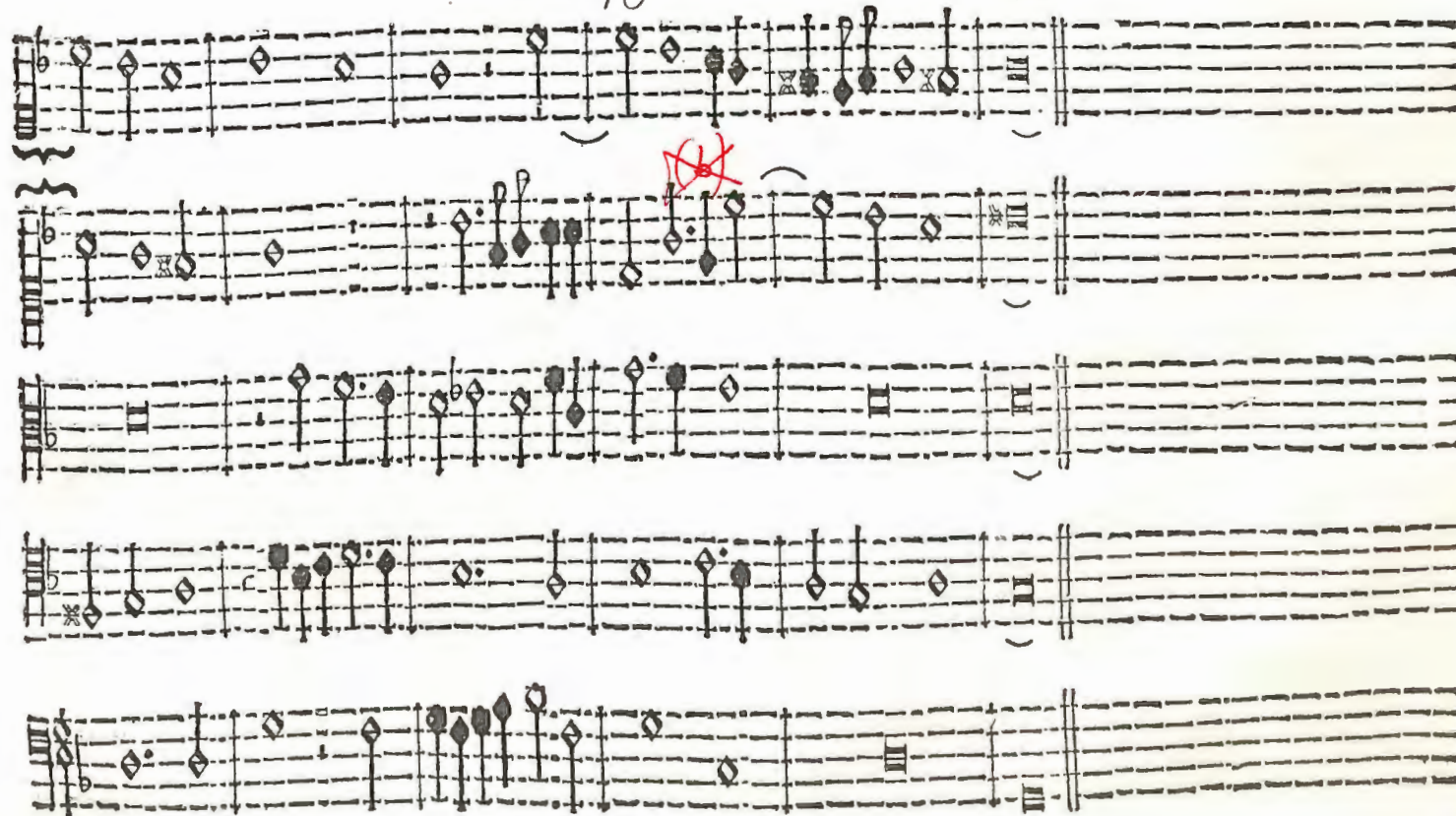
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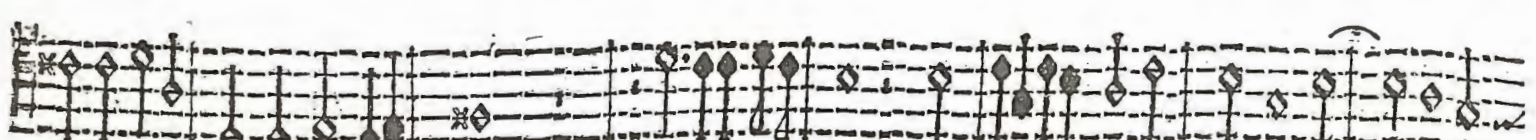


Handwritten musical notation on ten staves. The notation includes various notes, rests, and accidentals. The staves are numbered 7, 20, and 21. There are handwritten 'X' marks above the sixth and seventh staves. The notation is dense and appears to be a complex musical score.

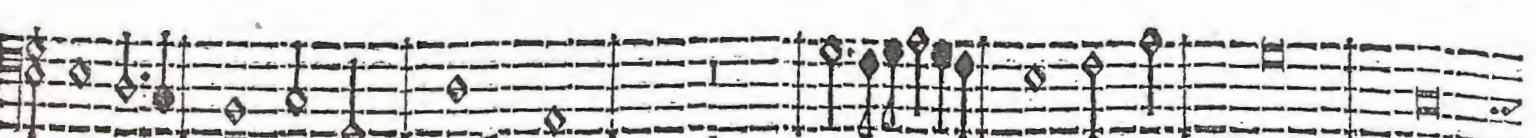




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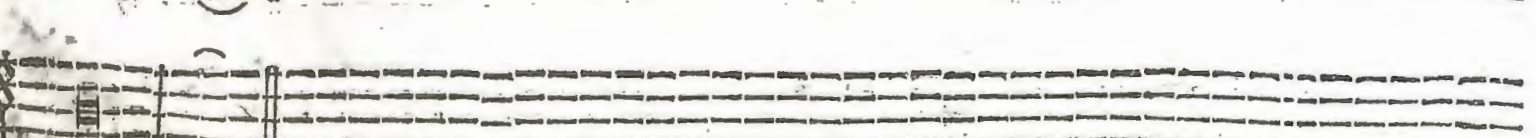
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| Ricercaro Secondo. à 4. con vn soggetto riuersato. | 8.        |
| Ricercaro Terzo. à 4. con vn soggetto solo.        | 11.       |
| Ricercaro Quarto. à 4. con due soggetti.           | 13.       |
| Ricercaro Quinto. à 4. con due soggetti.           | 16.       |
| Ricercaro Sesto. à 4. con due soggetti.            | 19.       |
| Ricercaro Settimo. à 4. con trè soggetti.          | 22.       |
| Ricercaro Ottauo. à 4. con trè soggetti.           | 25.       |
| Ricercaro Nono. à 4. con trè soggetti.             | 28.       |
| Ricercaro Decimo. à 4. con quattro soggetti.       | 30.       |
| Ricercaro Vndecimo. à 5. con cinque soggetti.      | 33.       |
| Ricercaro Duodecimo. à 6. con sei soggetti.        | 36.       |

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