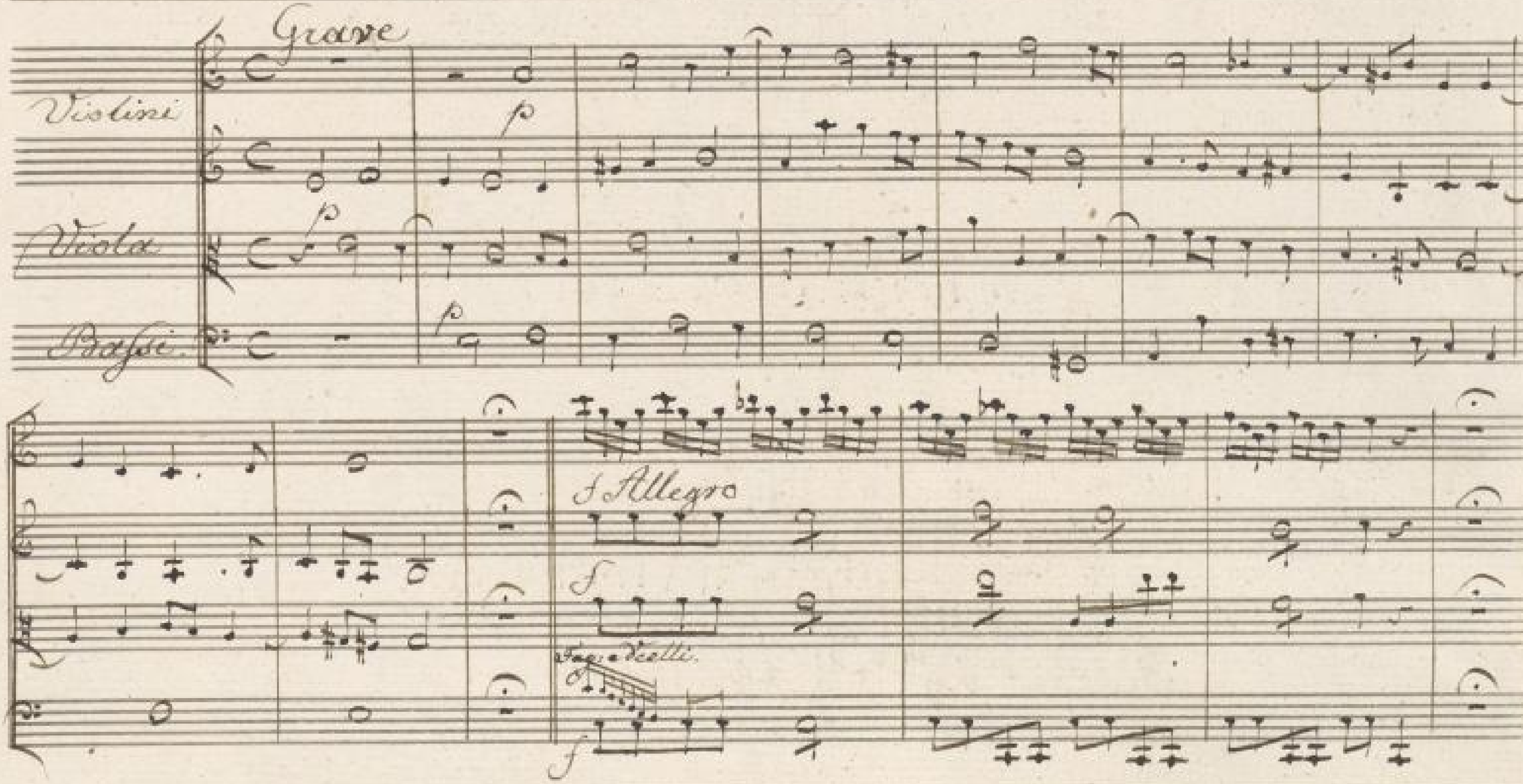N:1. Introduzione.