Dynamics Detective

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very soft	soft	moderately soft	moderately loud	loud	very loud

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1.

p  ***f***

Start: _____

End: _____

Change: _____

2.

f  ***p***

Start: _____

End: _____

Change: _____

3.

mp  ***mf***

Start: _____

End: _____

Change: _____

4.

mf  ***mp***

Start: _____

End: _____

Change: _____

5.

pp  ***p***

Start: _____

End: _____

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6.

ff  ***f***

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p  ***f***

Start: **soft**

End: **loud**

Change: **gradually louder**

2.

f  ***p***

Start: **loud**

End: **soft**

Change: **gradually softer**

3.

mp  ***mf***

Start: **moderately soft**

End: **moderately loud**

Change: **gradually louder**

4.

mf  ***mp***

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ff  ***f***

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End: **loud**

Change: **gradually softer**