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Abstract:

saha araştırması (fieldwork) is an attempt to make sense of composition in an academic context and “composing a dissertation.” As such, the music is accompanied by its exegesis, almost as a verbal countermelody to the sounds unfolding. Inspired by Richard Serra’s *Verb List*, in which the artist reduces artistic activity to a list of physical actions (“to roll,” “to crease,” “to fold,” etc.), the musical discourse contemplates instrumental performance through similar tasks such as pulling, pushing, and blowing. Through such an emphasis on sound-producing actions, *saha araştırması (fieldwork)* seeks to reconfigure musical composition as a site where we encounter laboring bodies, whose agency has been—to a large extent—overlooked in the tradition of Western concert music. The conceptual framework of the piece comes from my interest in recent theatrical practices that underscore the *liveness* of performance over the reenactment of a prescriptive text, emphasizing the *performative* over the *representational*. In *saha araştırması (fieldwork)*, this performative quality is mainly articulated by reframing the relationship of the performers to their instruments in a way that amplifies the physical aspect of sound production, with a score that varies its prescriptive qualities to investigate different conditions for coordinated performance. The piece juxtaposes the labor on stage against construction recordings from Istanbul, examining the potential of one to tell us something about the other. In *fieldwork*, my aim is to conceptualize the musical composition as a site where not only the sounds, but also the labor producing them, are audible.

saha araştırması (fieldwork) is written for Ensemble Dal Niente and dedicated to my mother Serap Can, who wrote her dissertation on the working women of rural Turkey. The piece was premiered on May 4, 2018 at the Logan Center for the Arts in Chicago by Ensemble Dal Niente, conducted by Michael Lewanski.

Instrumentation

Flute (doubling megaphone)

Oboe

Clarinet in Bb (doubling Bass Clarinet in Bb)

Bassoon

Horn in F (harmon mute, doubling megaphone)

Trombone (harmon mute)

Percussion I:

Instruments: large timpani (32", shared with Percussion II), vibraphone (motor always on at full speed, shared with Percussion II, in measure 59), tam-tam (to be prepared with a rubber band, shared with Percussion II), cymbal (to be placed on timpani, shared with Percussion II), large spring coil, large woodblock.

Beaters/sticks/objects: felt timpani mallets, medium vibraphone mallets, wooden sticks, triangle beater, Reibestock (dented friction stick), bow, sandpaper, metal chain, coins.

Percussion II:

Instruments: large timpani (32", to be shared with Percussion I), vibraphone (shared with Percussion I, in measure 59), tam-tam (shared with Percussion I), suspended cymbal (to be prepared with a rubber band), three woodblocks, wooden edge (see notes), medium spring coil, cymbal (to be placed on timpani, shared with Percussion I).

Beaters/sticks/objects: medium mallets, triangle beater, superball mallet, metal guitar slide, metal chain, grains, coins.

Harp (prepared with a rubber band, see notes for scordatura. Harpist also uses a plectrum, tin can, metal chain, cymbal, grains, and plays flute's megaphone at the end.)

Piano (prepared with piano mutes, cigarette filters, and a rubber band. Pianist also uses a metal guitar slide, plectrum, tin can, metal chain, cymbal, grains)

Violin I (to be prepared with cigarette filters. Violinist also uses a tin can)

Viola (to be prepared with cigarette filters. Violist also uses a tin can)

Violoncello (Violoncellist also uses a tin can)

Contrabass

Electronics

Conductor (also joins the ensemble at the end of the piece, playing horn's megaphone at the end)

Score is written in C.

duration: the overall duration of the piece is relatively open and dependent on the pace of actions performed, with an average performance lasting ca. 20-25 minutes.

Performance Notes

General Remarks

Electronics:

The tape part is triggered from a Max patch by a separate person running the electronics. The playback should be projected through a stereo pair within the ensemble (preferably from the back and on the ground).

Cueing system:

The opening of the piece is based on cues given by the conductor. The placement of the individual gestures within measures is left to the discretion of the performers, following the layout of the parts proportionally, unless otherwise noted.

The opening (to some extent) and the ending (almost fully) makes use of listening cues. Here the players are asked to perform in response to the input of another player to guide their actions such as entry, cut-off, etc. A certain intensity of listening, rather than exactitude in synchronization, is desired in these cases.

Section between mm. 67-84:

This section is an elongated process of 'accelerating repetition'. With each repetition starting in measure 67, the duration of the fermatas (in which the conductor cues individual entries) gradually get shorter, while the 'metered' portion (m. 69 through the first two beats of 70) stay in the same tempo. As the compression continues in the next cell (mm.71-75), the individual entries occur more and more quicker, eventually becoming the staggered triplet entries in measure 76. The changing duration of the fermatas are indicated with two values with an arrow in between them.

The overall feeling of this passage is one of 'getting out of control' caused both by repetitions occurring faster and the problem of placing sounds 'correctly' in the constantly shifting tempo. Here, the sense of urgency is more important than the accuracy of the placement of sounds: while the performers should try to come in time and place sounds as written, it is expected that some detail and accuracy will be lost in the process. The players should embrace this aspect!

Ending:

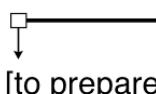
In the last part of the piece starting at measure 138, the conductor leaves their post to join the ensemble in performance with a megaphone. Here, the notation is gradually 'opened up' to create a different sense of ensemble dynamic where the performers place sounds completely in relation to one another. The performers should treat this ending with an increasing sense of liberty, while recognizing that they are still performing in relation to the other ensemble members. Especially in the last measures where only few words remain for guidance, the performers may choose to interpret their parts however they would like to, paying attention to the sonic activity happening around them.

Megaphones:

In the beginning and at the end of the piece, some members of the ensemble are asked to perform on the megaphone. Apart from their more 'traditional' use of amplifying speech, the megaphones are used to create various noises and feedback.



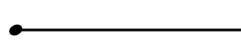
- turn the megaphone on (downward) and off (upward) respectively.



- speak through the megaphone. The arrow indicates the megaphone is turned on, and left on after speech has ended.



- vocalize through the megaphone. The upward arrow indicates that the megaphone is turned off cutting off the vocalization.



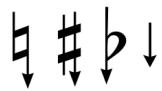
- create feedback by holding the auxiliary microphone to the bell. the distance effects the volume, place accordingly.

Microtones:

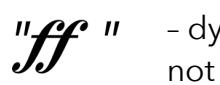
Quarter Tones (from lower to higher):



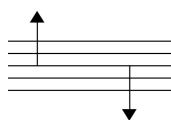
Other accidentals (for smaller inflections like eighth tones [where no partial number or cent deviation is specified], as well as 5th and 7th partials, ca. 14 and 31 cents lower):



Default playing mode is without vibrato.



- dynamics in quotation marks indicate the force of action in the instances where the sonic outcome does not match the action required.



- highest and lowest possible notes.

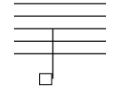


- note held for the duration of the line, with the ticks marking the beats, no accentuation unless indicated.

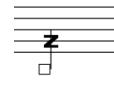
Woodwinds and Brass



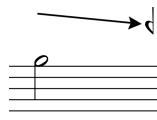
- (Flute) mixture of tone and breath sound.



- breath sound, (Flute) covering the embouchure completely.



- vocal fry: a fragile and irregular creaky sound produced while inhaling with a loose glottal closure.



- (Flute) altering intonation by adjusting the embouchure, ca. quarter-tone higher or lower.



- (Flute and Clarinet) tongue ram.

- (Bassoon) flap: produced by hitting the reed (or the crook if the mouthpiece is off) with the tongue, very little pitch content.



- slap tongue.



- strike the mouthpiece with the palm.



- bisbigliando.

- +** - open.
- O** - closed.

Oboe and bassoon make use of multiphonics. These are indicated with specific fingerings, borrowed from 'Techniques of Oboe Playing' by Peter Veale and Claus-Steffen Mahnkopf, and 'Techniques of Bassoon Playing' by Pascal Gallois respectively. Bass clarinet makes use of spectral multiphonics, achieved by adjusting the lip pressure on regular fingerings for low fundamentals to bring out higher partials.

Horn makes frequent use of non-tempered partials of the harmonic series; do not correct the intonation of these pitches.

IPA Pronunciation Guide

Vowels

IPA English approximation

a	as in father
e	as in bed
ə	as in the
i	as in creek
ɪ	as in myth
o	as in Leo
ɔ	as in caught
ʊ	as in move
u	somewhat like <u>roses</u> (close back unrounded vowel: make an /u/ sound and unround the lips)

Consonants

IPA English approximation

b	as in about
d	as in ado
f	as in food
g	as in ago
h	as in home
k	as in coal
l	as in late
m	as in much
n	as in not
p	as in pan
r	as in the Scottish r (rolled)
s	as in send
ʃ	as in shoe
tʃ	as in chalk
v	as in vase
j	as in yet
z	as in zone

Percussion (2 players)

Preparation: Preparation (and removal) takes place in the piece. Percussion I attaches a rubber band to the Tam-tam with tape, which is to be snapped later on. Similarly, Percussion II attaches a rubber band to the suspended cymbal with tape, which is to be snapped later on.

Wooden Edge: A wooden surface, like the edge of a table. Played by scraping a wooden stick along the edge. The frequency content of the sound depends on the contact point of the stick to the edge (higher towards the tip, lower towards the hand).

C - center
E - edge



- scrape

Harp

Preparation and Tuning: Preparation, tuning (as well as retuning and removal) takes place in the piece. Harpist ties a large rubber band to the lowest string, which is to be snapped later on. The scordatura is as follows:

Musical notation for harp tuning. The bass staff shows notes B-flat, A, and G. The treble staff shows notes F-sharp, E, and D. A bracket above the notes indicates a tuning adjustment of **-50 cents**. Below the staff, there is a dynamic marking **8vb** and a pedal symbol.



- pedal glissando. Do not attack the notes in parentheses.



- create a buzzing sound by pedaling half way.

(B-flat)



- scrape the string vertically.



- Bartók pizz.

Harmonics sound an octave higher than written.

Piano

Preparation: Preparation (and removal) takes place in the piece. Pianist attaches a rubber band to the lowest string, which is to be snapped later on. The highest three strings are to be completely muted, inserting piano mutes between both sets of strings. Several strings in the middle register are to be prepared to sound slightly out of tune, almost creating a 'chorus effect', using cigarette filters. Insert one filter in between only one set of strings.

The indicated strings are prepared in the following manner:

Musical notation for piano preparation. The bass staff shows a note with a vertical stroke through it, labeled "rubber band". The treble staff shows a note with a vertical stroke through it, labeled "cigarette filters". The piano staff shows a note with a vertical stroke through it, labeled "piano mutes". A dynamic marking **15ma** is shown above the piano staff.

Strings

Preparation: Preparation (and removal) takes place in the piece. The violin and viola is occasionally prepared with two cigarette filters inserted between 1st and 2nd, and 3rd and 4th strings, approximately 1 inch (~2.5 centimeters) away from the bridge. Always play in the area between the filter and the bridge. Aim for relatively stable multiphonic sounds, adjusting bow position and pressure accordingly.

Bow positions:

SP – sul ponticello

ASP – alto sul ponticello (almost on the bridge)

ST – sul tasto

AST – alto sul tasto

ORD – ordinario

M - (Violoncello and Contrabass) multiphonic created by fingering a pitch high up (well beyond the fingerboard) on the indicated string, and bowing on the ‘wrong’ side. Aim for relatively stable multiphonic sounds, adjusting the pressure and placement of both the fingering hand and the bow.



– granular sound: increased bow pressure and slow bow speed, creating a scratching sound. In the passage starting in measure 47 in Violoncello where the bow pressure alternates between light and over-pressure bowing, loosely follow the graphic indications in the score.

All other explanations are indicated in the score.

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SENZA MISURA E TEMPO

alican çamcı (2017-2018)

10" 10"

feedback

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

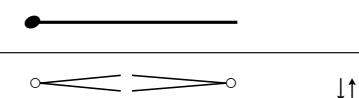
Vc.

Cb.

El.

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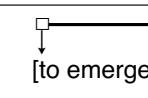
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Fl. 

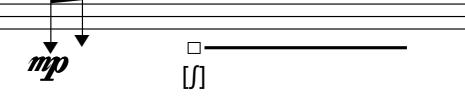
Ob.

B. Cl.

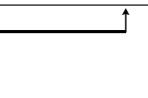
Bsn.

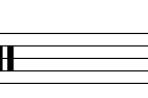
Hn. 

imitating the megaphone sounds
tongue ram

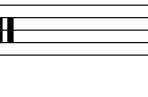
Tbn. 

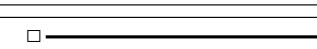
imitating the megaphone sounds
slap tongue   

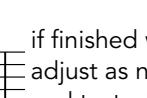
[s] 
[w/ palm]

Perc. I 

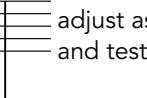
Tam-tam [Sandpaper] gently brush the surface of the Tam-tam in long, uninterrupted movements, imitating the hiss of the megaphone.

Perc. II 



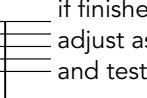

Hp. 

if finished with tuning and preparation, discretely start testing some sounds.
adjust as needed. if not finished, continue with preparation,
and test when you complete it.

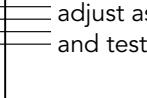
Pno. 

if finished with preparation, discretely start testing some sounds.
adjust as needed. if not finished, continue with preparation,
and test when you complete it.

(3)  (4)

Vln. 

if finished with preparation, discretely start testing some sounds.
adjust as needed. if not finished, continue with preparation,
and test when you complete it.

Vla. 

if finished with preparation, discretely start testing some sounds.
adjust as needed. if not finished, continue with preparation,
and test when you complete it.

Vc. 

Cb. 

El. 

Tape: Quiet, filtered construction sounds

(5)

20"

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. continue in a similar manner UNTIL CUE 9. pay attention to leaving space, listening to the others, responding, and not overwhelming the overall texture.

Tbn. continue in a similar manner UNTIL MEASURE 15. pay attention to leaving space, responding, and not overwhelming the overall texture.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. (5) AST, very slow bow, with grains audible

Vla. **p**

Vc.

Cb.

El.

(6)  (7) 

Fl. imitating the megaphone feedback
 Ob. ○—○—○
 B. Cl. —
 Bsn. —
 Hn. □—
 Tbn. [to harmonize]
 Perc. I place sounds in response to Percussion II
 Perc. II 3 Woodblocks
[medium mallets]
place sounds in response to Percussion I
 Hp. —
 Pno. —

 (6)  (7)
 Vln. —
 Vla. —
 Vc. —
 Cb. —
 El. M
(●)
sfp

4"

15"

(8)

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

[to double]

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

spin cymbal upside down on the ground

(8)

AST, very slow bow, with grains audible

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

El.

take flute

into the megaphone —————

emb. closed

t.r.

set flute aside

10

11

(9)

5"

12"

Fl.

[to alternate]

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

(no more megaphone sounds,
only announce tasks when indicated.)

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

place Cymbal upside down on Timpani

Wooden Edge
[shaft of stick] place sounds in response to Piano
scrape along the edge

Perc. II

"f"

Hp.

spin cymbal upside down on the ground

Pno.

15ma place sounds in response to Percussion II

mp secco

Vln.

arpeggiando: rapidly alternate between two pitches,
gradually slowing down until cue 10.
ST

Vla.

M p

Vc.

sfzmp

Cb.

EI.

Tape: Quiet, filtered room sound

granular

granular

7

10

6"

7"

(no more megaphone sounds,
only announce tasks when indicated.)

Fl.

Ob. continue in a similar manner UNTIL CUE 11.
pay attention to leaving space, responding,
and not overwhelming the overall texture.

B. Cl. put mouthpiece back on

Bsn. put mouthpiece back on

Hn. [to roll]

Tbn. Timpani
[Felt Timpani mallets]

Perc. I listening cue: until you hear
the tin can roll

Perc. II

Hp. roll tin can on the floor

Pno. (15) roll tin can on the floor

Vln. listening cue: until you hear
the tin can roll

Vla. listening cue: until you hear
the tin can roll

Vc. roll tin can on the floor

Cb. M

El. roll tin can on the floor

11

20"

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

El.

son roulé

listening cue: harp

mp

slow

ppp

[to let]

[to spill]

empty the water out of the instrument, if possible

(start downward gliss. with pedal)

spill grains on Cymbal on Timpani, as the roll continues

l.v.

7"

12

Fl. Ob. B. Cl. Bsn. Hn. Tbn. Perc. I. Perc. II. Hp. Pno.

Spring Coil [triangle beater] drag along the coils l.v. Tam-tam [Sandpaper]

Tam-tam [Slide] l.v. hit soundboard with knuckle l.v. hit metal frame with slide 15ma-- l.v. listening cue: cut off with megaphones

Vln. Vla. Vc. Cb. El.

Tape: Convolved construction sounds

7" 8" 3"

cut off together with other megaphone

cut off together with other megaphone

listening cue: cut off with megaphones

listening cue: cut off with megaphones

listening cue: cut off with megaphones

10

13

10" 

Fl. [to echo] 

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn. flap 

Hn. spectral multiphonic 

Tbn. 

Perc. I 

Perc. II 

Hp. spill grains on the cymbal 

Pno. spill grains on the cymbal 

13

Vln. 

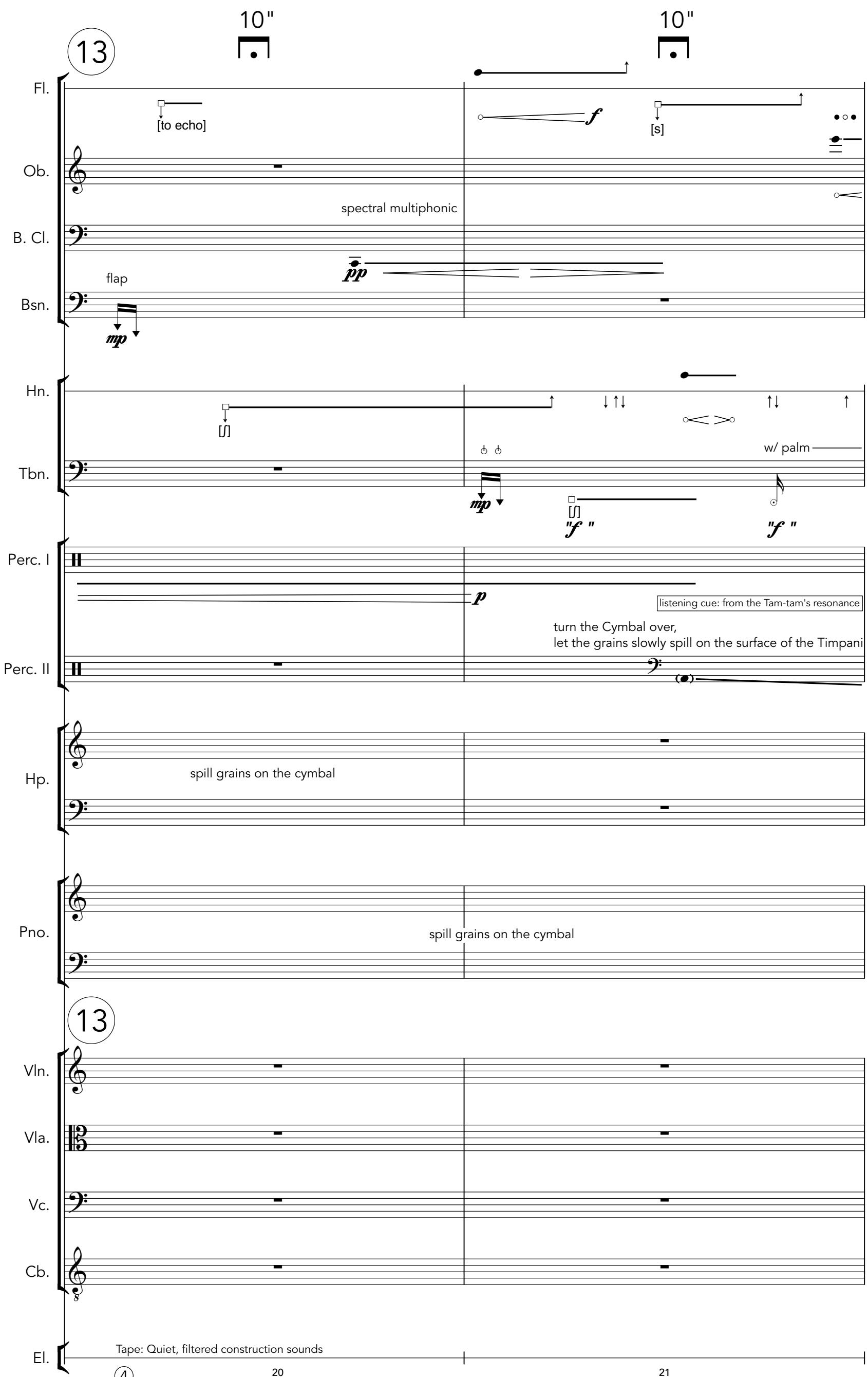
Vla. 

Vc. 

Cb. 

El. Tape: Quiet, filtered construction sounds 

(4) 20 21



12"

4 $\text{♩} = 66$

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

El.

spectral multiphonic

[to drop]

[s]

drop the chain

turn the Cymbal over completely,
let the grains drop

place cymbal upside down
on Timpani

listening cue: grains
dropping on Timpani
(unsynchronized with others)

c.l.b.
jeté

mute w/ left hand

listening cue: cut off
with metal chain

listening cue: grains
dropping on Timpani
(unsynchronized with others)

f

c.l.b.
jeté

mute w/ left hand

listening cue: cut off
with metal chain

listening cue: grains
dropping on Timpani
(unsynchronized with others)

f

c.l.b.
jeté

mute w/ left hand

listening cue: cut off
with metal chain

listening cue: grains
dropping on Timpani
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f

c.l.b.
jeté

mute w/ left hand

listening cue: cut off
with metal chain

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

El.

[to synchronize]

pick the chain up

Cymbal on Timpani
[Medium yarn mallets]

l.v.

15ma-

ffz

Ad.

fp

fp

M

fp

fp

24

25

26

3X

Fl.

Ob. $\approx f$

B. Cl.

Bsn. mp

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I Tam-tam [bow] arco

Perc. II p

Hp. pedal buzz

Pno. fz

Vln. fp

Vla. fp

Vc. M

Cb. fp

El.

Measure 27: Flute (open circles), Oboe (dotted circles), Bassoon (circles with dots), Trombone (circles with dots), Percussion I (open circles), Percussion II (circles with dots), Double Bass (circles with dots). Measure 28: Flute (open circles), Oboe (dotted circles), Bassoon (circles with dots), Trombone (circles with dots), Percussion I (open circles), Percussion II (circles with dots), Double Bass (circles with dots). Measure 29: Flute (open circles), Oboe (dotted circles), Bassoon (circles with dots), Trombone (circles with dots), Percussion I (open circles), Percussion II (circles with dots), Double Bass (circles with dots).

Fl. [to desynchronize]
 Ob. f
 B. Cl. sim.
 Bsn. sim.
 Hn.
 Tbn. sim.
 Perc. I sim.
 Perc. II sim.
 Hp. pedal buzz
 Pno.
 Vln. mp
 Vla. mp
 Vc. M mp
 Cb. mp
 El.

Fl.
 Ob.
 B. Cl.
 Bsn.
 Hn.
 Tbn.
 l.v.
 Perc. I
 Perc. II
 Hp.
 l.v.
 15ma.
 Pno.
 f
 Pno.
 Vln.
 Vla.
 M
 Vc.
 Cb.
 pp
 El.

36 37 38

3"

12"

5"

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

El.

[to pause]

[to dampen]

[to stop]

(dampen resonance of tam-tam)

remove preparation

remove preparation

39

40

41

3" 10" 8"

Fl. [to stay] [to remain]

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn. remove mouthpiece

Hn. harmon mute (stem-in)

Tbn. [to mute] harmon mute (stem-in)

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. mute strings with the left hand

Vla. mute strings with the left hand

Vc. mute strings with the left hand

Cb. mute strings with the left hand

El. Tape: Quiet room sound

4

Fl.

[to granulate]

Ob.

B. Cl.

vocal fry while inhaling

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

vocal fry while inhaling

Vibraphone [Reibestock] slow → moderate, a constant stream of clicks

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

scrape string with plectrum
slow, individual grains,
with spaces in between

Pno.

scrape string with plectrum
slow, individual grains,
with spaces in between

Vln.

bow with metal wrapping,
slow, individual grains, with spaces in between
gradually move from SP to AST
(string muted with left hand) → moderate speed

Vla.

bow with metal wrapping,
slow, individual grains, with spaces in between
gradually move from SP to AST
(string muted with left hand) → moderate speed

Vc.

ST,
slow bow, light pressure

granular

Cb.

El.

Tape: Granulated room sound

(6)

45

46

47

Fl.
Ob.
B. Cl.
Bsn.
Hn.
Tbn.
Perc. I
Perc. II
Hp.
Pno.
Vln.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.
El.

5 2+3 4

[to strike] [to inhale]
 w/ palm 5
 w/ palm 5 5 mp
 mp
 w/ palm 5
 mp

fast Tam-tam [triangle beater] Woodblock
 fast scrape [wooden sticks] [wooden sticks]
 E 5

Suspended Cymbal [triangle beater] Wooden Edge [wooden sticks] scrape
 ffz ffz mf

moderate fast scrape
 ffz 15ma 5

moderate fast scrape mf

ffz 5 4

ord. → ST, slow bow, light pressure
 mp p

ffz

48 49 50 51

2X

→ closed emb.
vocal fry

Fl. (first time only) [o] [ʃi] [ko] [sa] *mf* → closed emb. vocal fry

Ob. *p* 3 → *pp* 2nd time: take Bass Clarinet (mouthpiece removed)

Cl. *mf* → *p* exhale through the instrument vocal fry

Bsn. →

Hn. 1. [to exhale]
2. [to speak] vocal fry

Tbn. →

Perc. I Woodblock [medium mallets] *mf* Vibraphone [Reibestock] fast
Suspended Cymbal [triangle beater] *p* 3 *f* 3 *mp* *f*

Perc. II →

Hp. *sfz* scrape string with plectrum moderate speed fast scrape

Pno. *mp* 15ma → *f* 5 → *mp* → *sfz* scrape string with plectrum moderate speed fast scrape

Vln. audible exhale *ord.* → *mp* 3 → *sfz* bow with metal wrapping

Vla. *ord.* → *mp* → *sfz* ST slow bow with little pressure *mp* (as before) bow with metal wrapping

Vc. → *ORD* *mp* → *f* 3 → *p*

Cb. →

El. Tape: Voice sound freeze

55 (8) 56 (9) 57

take megaphone

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Vibraphone [medium mallets]

Perc. I

Tam-tam [slide]

Vibraphone [medium mallets]

Suspended Cymbal snap the rubber string

Perc. II

f

p

sffz

hit soundboard with knuckles

Hp.

sffz

as before

Pno.

sffz

c.l.b.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

El.

[to hit]

[w/ palm] 3

[w/ palm] mf

put mouthpiece back on the instrument

Tam-tam snap the rubber string

snap the rubber string

snap the rubber string

8vb

Tape: Voice sound freeze

Fl. [to blow]
 Ob.
 Cl.
 Bsn.
 Hn.
 Tbn.
 Perc. I
 Suspended Cymbal [triangle beater]
 Perc. II
 Hp.
 Pno.
 Vln.
 Vla.
 Vc.
 Cb.
 El.

take flute
closed emb.
j.w.
mf
pp
mp
[sa]
mf
p
f
mf
mp
15ma
f
Rd.
arco
mp
arco
mp
arco
mp
mf

Fl. take megaphone
 Ob.
 Cl.
 Bsn.
 Hn. *pp*
 Tbn.
 [So] Tam-tam snap the rubber string
 Perc. I Suspended Cymbal snap the rubber string *sfz*
 Perc. II *sfz*
 Hp. *15ma* snap the rubber string scrape string with plectrum moderate speed
 Pno. *8vb* snap the rubber string scrape string with plectrum moderate speed
 Vln.
 Vla. *mp*
 Vc. *mf* M
 Cb. *mf*
 El.

2 7X

Fl. [to push]

Ob. *p* *mf*

Cl. *mf*

Bsn. *mf*

Hn.

Tbn. [to pull] 2. [to bend] 4. [to draw]

Perc. I Timpani [Superball]

Perc. II *mf*

Hp. (push the plectrum away from you) (pull the plectrum towards you) (ad lib.) *f*

Pno. (push the plectrum away from you) (pull the plectrum towards you) (ad lib.) *f*

Vln. V *mf* V

Vla.

Vc. *f*

Cb. V

El.

2 4

mf *p*

10" → 6"
over five repetitions
(see notes)

5X

5" → 3"
over five repetitions

2
4

2
4

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Vibraphone [medium mallets]

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

scrape with plectrum

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

El.

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

take flute

take horn

[to repeat]

[to imitate]

15ma

10" → 6"
over five repetitions
(see notes)

5X

5" → 3"
over five repetitions

2
4

2
4

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

take flute

take horn

[to repeat]

[to imitate]

15ma

10" → 6"
over five repetitions
(see notes)

5X

5" → 3"
over five repetitions

2
4

2
4

4" → no fermata (in tempo)
 over five repetitions

take megaphone (only first time through)

drop metal chain Woodblock [medium mallets] [sa] pick the chain up

drop metal chain Cymbal [triangle beater] p → f pick the chain up

drop metal chain [mf]

drop metal chain f pick the chain up

drop metal chain 15ma f pick the chain up

2 4 4

Fl. Ob. Cl. Bsn. Hn. Tbn. Perc. I Perc. II Hp. Pno.

Vln. Vla. Vc. Cb. El.

6X

6" → 4 beats in tempo, with each cue falling on
a subsequent triplet 8th over six repetitions

3" → 1 beat in tempo
over six repetitions

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

El.

6" → 4 beats in tempo, with each cue falling on a subsequent triplet 8th over six repetitions

3" → 1 beat in tempo over six repetitions

Measure 71:

- Flute: Sustained note at the end of the measure.
- Oboe: Sustained note.
- Clarinet: Sustained note.
- Bassoon: Sustained note.
- Horn: Sustained note.
- Trombone: Sustained note.
- Percussion I: Vibraphone (medium mallets), Spring Coil (triangle beater), Tam-tam (triangle beater).
- Percussion II: Sustained note.
- Double Bassoon: Sustained note.
- Piano: Sustained note.
- Violin: Sustained note.
- Viola: Sustained note.
- Cello: Sustained note.
- Bass: Sustained note.

Measure 72:

- Flute: Sustained note.
- Oboe: Sustained note.
- Clarinet: Sustained note.
- Bassoon: Sustained note.
- Horn: Sustained note.
- Trombone: Sustained note.
- Percussion I: Vibraphone (medium mallets), Spring Coil (triangle beater), Tam-tam (triangle beater).
- Percussion II: Sustained note.
- Double Bassoon: Sustained note.
- Piano: Sustained note.
- Violin: Sustained note.
- Viola: Sustained note.
- Cello: Sustained note.
- Bass: Sustained note.

Performance Instructions:

- Flute:** mf
- Oboe:** p
- Clarinet:** p
- Bassoon:** p
- Horn:** [A10]
- Trombone:** p
- Percussion I:** mf, f
- Percussion II:** mf, fz
- Double Bassoon:** scrape with plectrum, fz
- Piano:** scrape with plectrum, fz, f, f
- Violin:** mp
- Viola:** p, M
- Cello:** M
- Bass:** p

2 beats in tempo → actual value
in tempo (no fermata)
in six repetitions

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

El.

2

4

4

5

2

4

4

5

[o] [ʃi] [ko] [sa]

[ʃ] [də] [ka] [so → a] [tʃu] [ka → u] [u]

[ko]

[ka]

[tʃ] [ka]

[sa]

[so]

Woodblock
drop metal chain [medium mallets] **mf**

Cymbal
[triangle beater] **p** **f**

pick the chain up

drop metal chain

pick the chain up

pick the chain up

pick the chain up

pick the chain up

73

74

75

ad lib. accelerando over six repetitions,
with the 4/4 bars always in original tempo.

With the 1st 4 bars always in original tempo.

5 **6X**

2

4

Fl. - *mf* *f*

Ob. *p* *f*

Cl. *p* *f*

Bsn. *p* *f*

Hn. - *p* *f* [A10] *p* *f*

Tbn. - *p* *f*

Vibraphone *mf* *f*

Perc. I *mf* *f* Tam-tam drop metal chain Woodblock *mf*

Perc. II Spring Coil *mf* *f* drop metal chain Cymbal *mf*

Hp. *mf* *fz* scrape with plectrum *f* *fz* drop metal chain *f* *fz*

Pno. *mf* *f* *15ma* *f* *15ma* *f* *5*

Vln. - *p* *f*

Vla. *p* *f*

Vc. *M* *p* *f*

Cb. *M* *p* *f*

El. *p* *f*

3 [o] [ʃi] [ko] [sa]

3 *mf* *p* *mp*

3 [ko] *mf* [sa]

5 **2** **4** *mf* *mf* *mf*

Vln. *mf* *mf*

Vla. *mf* *mf*

Vc. *mf* *mf*

Cb. *mf* *mf*

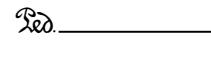
El. *mf* *mf*

76 **77** **78**

Fl. [ʃ] [da] [ka][so →a] [tʃw] [ka →w][w] : 5
 Ob. 3 mp : p f
 Cl. 3 mf : p f
 Bsn. 3 p : p f [A10]
 Hn. 3 [ka] [tʃ] [ka] : p f
 Tbn. [so] pick the chain up Vibraphone p drop metal chain
 Perc. I pick the chain up mf Spring Coil Tam-tam f drop metal chain
 Perc. II 15ma pick the chain up mf 3 fz drop metal chain
 Hp. 3 scrape with plectrum f pick the chain up 15ma fz drop metal chain
 Pno. scrape with plectrum 3 f ord.
 Vln. 3
 Vla. f
 Vc. 3 f : p M f
 Cb. M p f
 El. p f

4  5"

Fl. [o] [ʃi] [ko] [sa] f
 Ob. [ʃ] [da] [ka] [so] → [a] [tʃu] [ka] → [w] [u] p 3
 Cl. [ta] [ma] mp
 Bsn. 3
 Hn. [ko] mf
 Tbn. [ka] [tʃ] [ka]
 Woodblock [sa] [so] [ta] p
 Perc. I Cymbal p → f 3
 Perc. II mf
 Hp. f 3
 Pno. 15ma 3
 Vln. 15ma 1
 Vla. 15ma 1
 Vc. 15ma 1
 Cb. 15ma 1
 El. 15ma 1

4 

Vln. ff 3
 Vla. ff 3
 Vc. ff 3
 Cb. ff 3
 El. ff 3

82 83 84

40"



Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

El.

Tape: Construction from Arnavutköy, August 2017

35"

Fl. 

Ob. 

Cl. 

Bsn. 

Hn. 

Tbn. 

Perc. I 

Perc. II 

Hp. 

Pno. 

Vln. 

Vla. 

Vc. 

Cb. 

El. 

Fl.  **p**

Ob.  **pp**

Cl.  **PPP**

Bsn.  **pp**

Hn.  **[A10]**  **+**

Tbn.  **p**  **+**

Perc. I  **Tam-tam**  **[bow]**  **arco**

Perc. II 

Hp. 

Pno. 

Vln.  **p**

Vla.  **ppp**  **M**  **p**

Vc. 

Cb.  **M**  **pp**

El.  **ppp**

25"



Fl. *mf*

Ob. *mf* **p**

Cl. *mf*

Bsn. *mf* **pp**

Hn. ○ → + [A10] + → ○

Tbn. ○ → + ♫ + → ○

Perc. I II **f** l.v.

Perc. II II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. *mf* **p** ○ → ST

Vla. *mf* **p**

Vc. *mf* **pp** **mp**

Cb. *mf* **pp**

El.

20"

♩ •

4
4

Fl. *mf* ————— ***p***

Ob. ————— ***p*** ***pp*** —————

Cl. *mf* ————— ***p***

Bsn. ————— *mf* ————— ***p*** ***pp*** —————

Hn. ————— → + ————— [E:10] +

Tbn. → + ————— ***p*** ————— ***p*** ————— ↓ +

Perc. I **H** ————— —————

Perc. II **H** ————— —————

Hp. ————— —————

Pno. ————— —————

Vln. *mf* ————— ***p*** ***pp*** —————

Vla. ————— ***p*** ***pp*** —————

Vc. *mf* ————— ***p*** ***pp*** —————

Cb. ————— ***pp*** —————

El. ————— —————

4
4

Fl. Ob. Cl. Bsn. Hn. Tbn. Perc. I Perc. II Hp. Pno.

[tu] [r] [le-i] [t]

pp

mp pp

mp pp

mp pp

mp pp

mp pp

mp pp

Spring Coil [triangle beater]

drag along the coils

Cymbal on Timpani [Medium yarn mallets]

p

15ma

p

Vln. Vla. Vc. Cb. El.

p

p

p

ASP

ST p

pp

pp

pp

pp

Tape: Speech Recording: 'to relate'

Fl. closed emb.
t.r.
 Ob. *[tu]* *s'z* *f''*
 Cl. *pp* *p*
 Bsn. *p*
 Hn. [E10] +
 Tbn. *ppp* *pp* *p*
 Perc. I Spring Coil *mp*
 Perc. II Cymbal on Timpani *p*
 Hp. 15ma-
p
 Pno. *p*
 Vln. *p* *p* *ST*
 Vla. *p* *p* *ST*
 Vc. *pp* *p* *ST* IV-7
 Cb. *p*
 El. Tape: Speech Recording: 'to order'

93 94 95 96

(13)

open emb.

Fl. *pp*

Ob. [tu] [tʃ] [sfə] *p* *pp* *pp*

Cl. *pp* *pp*

Bsn. *pp*

Hn. [A7] → *pp*

Tbn. *pp*

Perc. I Spring Coil

Perc. II Cymbal on Timpani *p*

Hp. *p*

Pno.

Vln. *p* ORD *p*

Vla. *p*

Vc. (ST) *pp* *p* (ST) *p* M

Cb. ST *p*

El. < > *p* Tape: Speech Recording: 'to transfer'

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. [A10] + pp

Tbn. + pp

Vibraphone [medium mallets] pp

Perc. I Spring Coil mp

Cymbal on Timpani p

Vibraphone change pedal with each chord

Perc. II

Hp. 15ma - p

Pno. change pedal with each chord

Vln. ST

Vla. ST

Vc. M

Cb. ST

El. Tape: Speech Recording: 'to pace'

101 102 103 104

15

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. [F7]

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II Cymbal on Timpani

Vibraphone Spring Coil

pour grains on Cymbal on Timpani vary the speed

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. ORD

Vla. ORD ST

Vc. M ST

Cb. ST pp

El. *Tape: Speech Recording: 'to transcribe'*

Fl. d
 Ob.
 Cl.
 Bsn.
 Hn. [A7] [F7] [F7] [E10]
 Tbn.
 Perc. I
 Perc. II Cymbal on Timpani
 Hp. 15ma-
 Pno.
 Vln. ORD
 Vla. ORD
 Vc.
 Cb. M
 El.

Dynamics: *p*, *pp*, *mp*, *3*, *6*, *3*, *5*, *+*, *Spring Coil*, *Vibraphone*, *pour grains on Cymbal on Timpani vary the speed*, *ST*, *pizz.*, *arcost*, *Tape: Speech Recording: 'to simulate'*

Measures 109 to 112

Fl. *p*

Ob. *p*

Cl. *p*

Bsn. *p*

Hn. [E10] [A7] [F7]

Tbn.

Perc. I *mp* Cymbal on Timpani

Vibraphone Spring Coil *p*

Perc. II *p*

Hp. *mp*

15ma

Pno. *mp* *p*

Vln. *mp* ORD *p* ST *pp*

Vla. *mp* M ST *p* *pp* ST

Vc. *mp* pizz. *p* arco ST M *pp*

Cb. *p*

El. Tape: Speech Recording: 'to articulate'

→ closed emb.
t.r.
open emb.

Fl. *p*

Ob. *p*

Cl. *p*

Bsn. *p*

Hn. [A7] [F7] [F7] +

Tbn. *p*

Perc. I *mp* *p* *pp* Spring Coil

Perc. II *p* Cymbal on Timpani

Hp. *mp* *p* *p* 15ma-----

Pno. *mp* *p*

Vln. *mp* *pp* ORD ST

Vla. *mp* *p* ORD ST

Vc. M *ST* arco ST

Cb. *mp* *p* pizz.

El. Tape: Speech Recording: 'to document'

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. [E7] 3 → o 3 + [F7] [E7]

Tbn. 3 mp 3 + p

Vibraphone 3 p pour grains as before

Perc. I 3 mp 3 p Cymbal on Timpani

Perc. II ↓ ↑ p

Hp. 3 p 3 mp 3 p

Pno. 3 p 3 mp 3 p

Vln. 3 mp

Vla. 3 mp

Vc. ST M 3 ST

Cb. pp mp M M pizz. arco ST

El. < >

Fl.

 Ob.

 Cl.

 Bsn.

 Hn.

 Tbn.

 Perc. I

 Perc. II

 Hp.

 Pno.

 Vln.

 Vla.

 Vc.

 Cb.

 El.

Measures 123-125

123 | | 124 | | 125 |

Fl. 3
 Ob. [tu→ə] [pro] [ks] [t] pp 3 mp
 Cl. pp 3 mp
 Bsn. 3 mp
 Hn. [F7] [A10] + 3 mp
 Tbn. pp 3
 Vibraphone Spring Coil
 Perc. I Cymbal on Timpani mp p 3 pour grains as before
 Perc. II 15ma-----
 Hp. 6 p 3
 Pno. p 3
 Vln. ORD p 3 p 3 mp ST
 Vla. ORD p 3 p 3 mp ST M
 Vc. ST arco p 3 M p 3 mp M
 Cb. M pizz. p 3 M mp M
 El. Tape: Speech Recording: 'to approximate'

Fl. 3
 Ob. [tu] [ke] [ta]
 Cl.
 Bsn. pp
 Hn. [F7] [E7] [A5] [D7]
 Tbn. p
 Perc. I pp
 Perc. II Spring Coil
 Hp. Cymbal on Timpani
 Pno. p
 Vln. ORD pp
 Vla. ORD ST pp
 Vc. (ST) p
 Cb. arco M ST p
 El. Tape: Speech Recording: 'to catalogue'

Fl. *pp*
 Ob.
 Cl.
 Bsn. *pp*
 Hn. [D10] *pp* [A7] [F7]
 Tbn.
 Vibraphone
 Perc. I *p* pour grains as before *mp* *p* Cymbal on Timpani
 Perc. II
 Hp. *p* *mp* *p*
 Pno. *mp* *p*
 Vln.
 Vla.
 Vc. M *p* ST
 Cb. M *p*
 El.

5" 8"

Fl. [tw] [ksɔ] [st] **p**

Ob. **pp**³

Cl. **pp**

Bsn. **pp**³

Hn. **pp**

Tbn. **pp**

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp. **p** *15ma* **3**

Pno.

Vln. **p** ORD

Vla. ORD **p** *3*

Vc. **p**

Cb. **p**

El. Tape: Speech Recording: 'to exhaust'

Tape: Speech Recording of my Mother

||

23 135 136 24 137

10"

until the conductor walks over to brass
and holds megaphone to trombone

Fl.

Ob.

Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Cond.

El.

change to Bass Clarinet

take off mute

take off mute

undo preparation. do not worry about unintentionally
making incidental sounds in the process

undo preparation. do not worry about unintentionally
making incidental sounds in the process

undo preparation and tuning, do not worry
about making incidental sounds in the process

undo preparation. do not worry about unintentionally
making incidental sounds in the process

bow the metal wrapping. over the course of the fermata,
move slowly from near the bridge towards the fingerboard.

mp

bow the metal wrapping. over the course of the fermata,
move slowly from near the bridge towards the fingerboard.

mp

prepare with cigarette filters

walk over to brass, take megaphone

Tape: Vocal fry through megaphone

until harp is finished with undoing preparation, at least 20"



Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn. (when conductor comes and turns megaphone on, into the megaphone)
(exhale) (inhale) → vocal fry (continue in a similar manner UNTIL MEASURE 144.
you can leave spaces in between repetitions.)

Tbn. ||: | | :|| *mp*

Perc. I

Perc. II turn the cymbal on Timpani over, spilling grains on the floor

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. ——. .. . prepare with cigarette filters

Vla. slow bow, with light pressure

Vc. *p*

Cb.

Cond. hold the megaphone to trombone

El.

8"

15"

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

spin coins on Timpani
UNTIL MEASURE 143.

Perc. II

turn the cymbal over, spilling grains on the floor

Hp.

Pno.

turn the cymbal over, spilling grains on the floor

Vln.

slow bow, with light pressure

→ ord.

Vla.

ord.

Vc.

II-7

Cb.

Cond.

occasionally turn the megaphone on and off, create feedback,
leaving the trombone breathing by themselves.

El.

141

142

25"

[]

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Cond.

El.

spin cymbal on the ground. alternate spins with Piano
at first immediately following each other, gradually moving apart.

walk over to Flute, pick up the megaphone.

spin cymbal on the ground. alternate spins with Perc. II,
at first immediately following each other, gradually moving apart.

listening cue: change after hearing contrabass multiphonic

(cresc. with other strings)

listening cue: change after hearing contrabass multiphonic

(cresc. with other strings)

listening cue: enter quietly
after hearing piano spin cymbal on ground

M

pp

(cresc. with other strings)

listening cue: trigger after
hearing piano spin cymbal on ground

Tape: Convolved Construction Sounds

15"

(when harpist comes and turns megaphone on, into the megaphone)

(exhale) (inhale) → vocal fry

Fl. Ob. B. Cl. Bsn. Hn. Tbn. Perc. I. Perc. II. Hp. Pno. Vln. Vla. Vc. Cb. Cond. El.

until cymbals stop

continue in a similar manner UNTIL MEASURE 147.

Fl. *mp*

Ob. listening cue: enter quietly after hearing flute through megaphone

B. Cl. *pp*

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I. stop when the space between spins become more than 5"

Perc. II. (Timpani: start changing the pedal regularly) etc.

Hp. hold the megaphone to flute

Pno. stop when the space between spins become more than 5"

Vln. *mf* (decresc. with other strings after hearing flute through megaphone) *p* listening cue: change 5" after hearing the violin change

Vla. *mf* (decresc. with other strings after hearing flute through megaphone) *p*

Vc. *mf* (decresc. with other strings after hearing flute through megaphone) *ppp*

Cb. *mf* (decresc. with other strings after hearing flute through megaphone) *ppp*

Cond.

El.

8"

Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Cond.

El.

until coins stop

make 4 sounds
TO HIDE

make 4 sounds
TO COVER

listening cue: fade out after hearing cello come in

walk back to your position with the megaphone, do not sit down.

listening cue: change after hearing cello come in

fp

listening cue: change after hearing cello come in

fp

make 4 sounds
TO EXERT

into the megaphone
(exhale) (inhale) → vocal fry

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Fl.

Ob.

B. Cl.

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

Perc. I

Perc. II

Hp.

Pno.

Vln.

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Cond.

El.

6" [percussion marks] **5"** [percussion marks]

until the end of bassoon multiphonic

make 2 sounds
TO DISASSEMBLE

listening cue: enter quietly after
hearing bass clarinet

until the end of breath

pp ————— **f**

make 3 sounds
TO ASSEMBLE

make 2 sounds
TO BRUSH

→ granular

(cresc. with bassoon)

→ granular

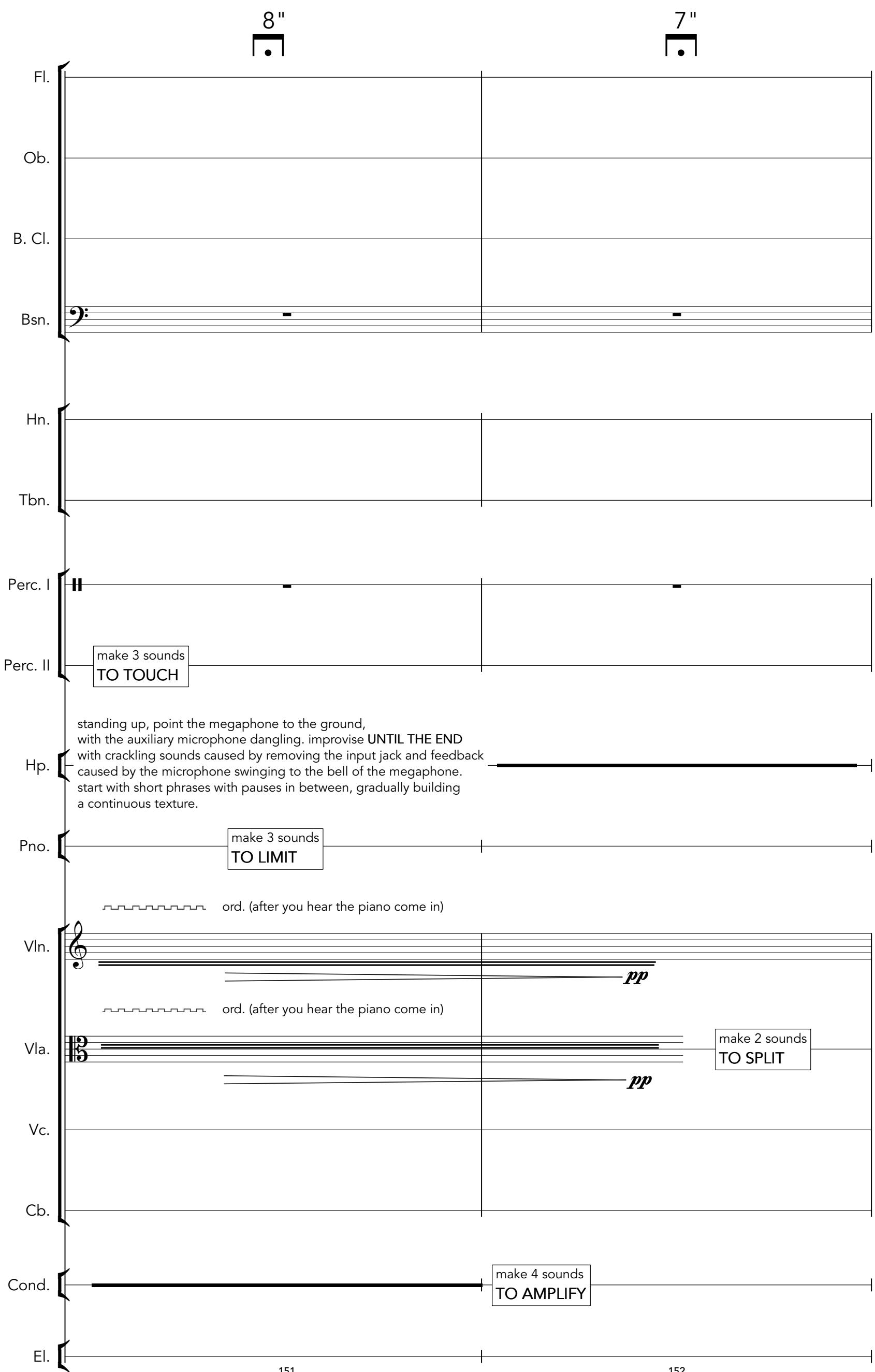
(cresc. with bassoon)

make 3 sounds
TO MELT

continue in a similar manner
UNTIL MEASURE 152.

(turn megaphone on and off as you continue breathing)

148 149 150



until tape enters

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

**make two sounds
TO ADJUST**

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

**make a sound
TO BEGIN**

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

**make 2 sounds
TO WHISPER**

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

listening cue: Perc. I signals the last three measures

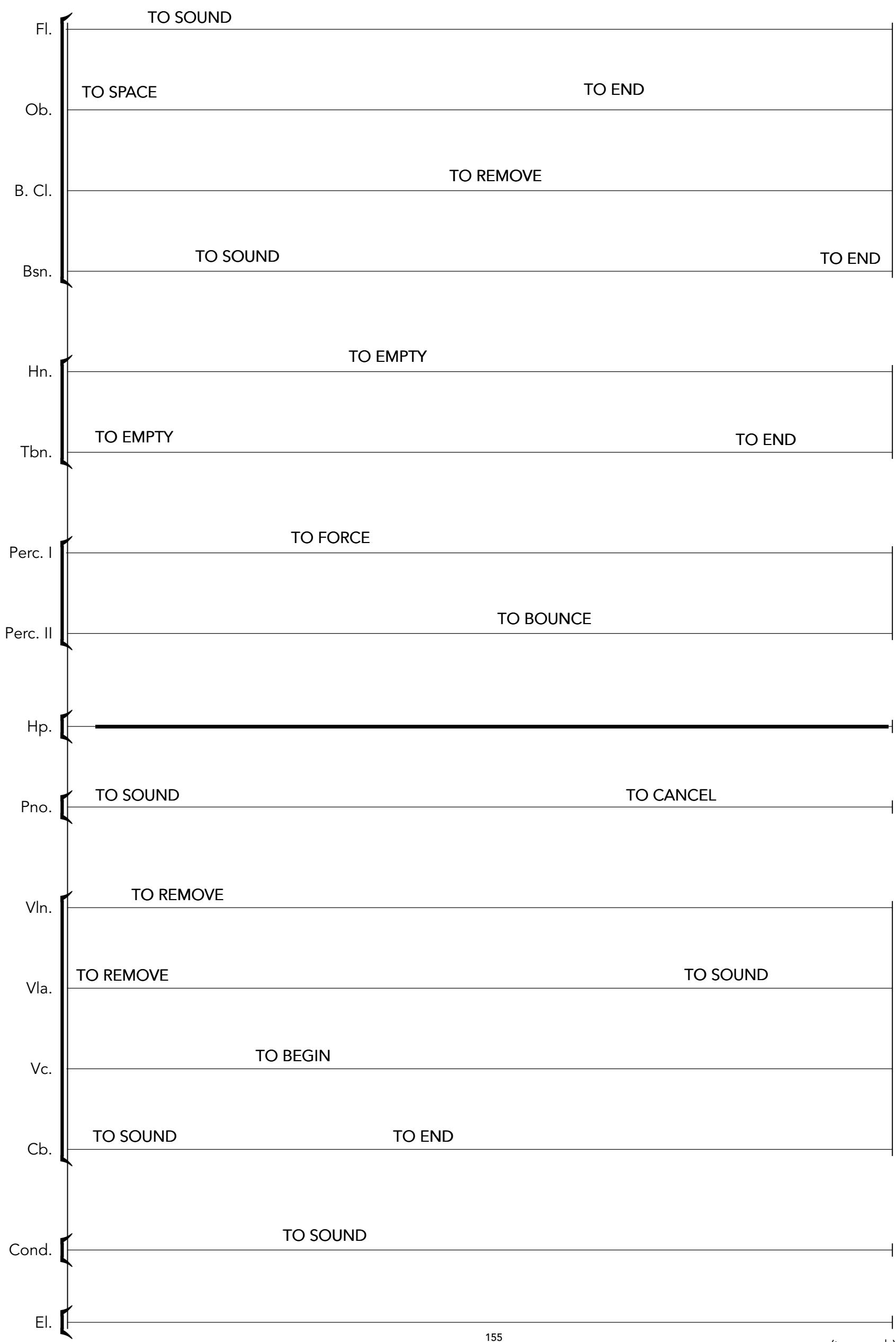
Tape: Convolved and filtered breathing through Megaphone

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ad lib., at least 60"



ad lib., at least 60"



Fl.	TO END	
Ob.		
B. Cl.	TO SOUND	TO END
Bsn.		
Hn.		TO END
Tbn.		
Perc. I	TO END	
Perc. II	TO SOUND	TO END
Hp.	—	
Pno.		TO END
Vln.	TO BOUNCE	TO END
Vla.		TO END
Vc.		TO END
Cb.		
Cond.	TO END	
El.		

