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au (αὖ) means 'newly, again' in ancient Greek.

We are enjoying a more comfortable life than ever before. We should always be grateful to those who have contributed to the advancement of science. However, at some point, the development pattern seems to be out of control. I doubt whether the brake pedal is broken. By the time doubt solidifies into certainty, it is already too late. Convenience will inevitably come with side effects. Unconditional development-oriented thinking must be vigilant before it is too late. Gradually slowing down, it's time to look back on the way you've come. In the past, there will be clues to avoid a tragic ending.

This discourse are combined into the structure of the piece. The piece has seven movements. The first movement presents a melody as the primary material, which was sung in the Western Middle Ages. The even-numbered movements, including the second movement, introduce noise-oriented materials distinct from the melody and develop independently. In the third and fifth movements, the primary material—the melody—appears transformed, and in the last movement, the piece ends with a sound familiar to us.

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I.

$\text{♩} = 68$

Cello I sul tasto, non vib.
 p

Cello II sul tasto, non vib.
 p

4

Vlc. I III IV IV
IV IV IV IV
 p pp

Vlc. II IV IV IV IV
 p pp

8

Vlc. I p
Vlc. II p

12

Vlc. I position ordinario,
natural harmonic gliss.
[\diamond] ordinario
 mf mp

Vlc. II p

16

Vlc. I

molto sul tasto, molto vib.

ordinario

mp

pp

molto sul tasto

0

pp

17

20

Vlc. I

ordinario

p

IV

III

0

ordinario

0

21

24

Vlc. I

3

molto sul tasto

0

molto sul tasto

0

25

28

Vlc. I

I

pp

0

6

29

3

II.

 $\text{♩} = 108$

vertical bowing (always Sul C)

Cello I

Cello II

5

gradually overpressure to scratch tone

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

9

position ordinario

0

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

13

position ordinario,
natural harmonic gliss.

I

highest as possible

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

17

Vlc. I Vlc. II

behind the bridge (bowing ordinario)

position ordinario I

18

Vlc. I Vlc. II

21

Vlc. I Vlc. II

24

Vlc. I Vlc. II

28

Vlc. I Vlc. II

5

31

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

35

$\text{♩} = 108$

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

38

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

42

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

46

behind the bridge
(bowing ordinario)

Vlc. I Vlc. II

50

Vlc. I Vlc. II

54

Vlc. I Vlc. II

position ord. position ord.

58

Vlc. I Vlc. II

7

62

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

sffffz

67 $\text{♩} = 92$

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

fff sffffz

71

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

f

74

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

ffpp

77

Vlc. I

seagull effect

Vlc. II

ff

fffz

mp

ff

80

Vlc. I

behind the bridge
(bowing ordinario)

ffff

Vlc. II

(bass)

9

III.

$\text{♩} = 52$

Cello I Cello II

vertical bowing (always Sul C)

vertical bowing (always Sul C)

col legno battuto

col legno tratto

mf

f

mf

mf

5

Vlc. I Vlc. II

ordinario

molto sul pont.

molto sul tasto

pp

mp

pp

mf

hit strings with left palm

fff

bartók pizz.

arco, ordinario

p

p

fff

p

9

Vlc. I Vlc. II

sul pont.

col legno battuto

col legno tratto

f

mf

f

mf

f

mf

pp

pp

Musical score for Violin I (Vlc. I) and Violin II (Vlc. II). The score consists of two staves. Measure 3 starts with a rest followed by a measure in common time (indicated by a '4'). The dynamic is *p*. Measure 4 begins with a measure in common time (indicated by a '4'). The dynamic is *pp*. The instruction "III arco" is written above the Violin I staff. The Violin II staff has three grace notes above the first note of the measure. Measure 5 begins with a measure in common time (indicated by a '4'). The dynamic is *p*. The instruction "hit strings with left palm" is written above the Violin I staff, accompanied by a hand icon. The instruction "sul pont." is written above the Violin II staff. The Violin II staff ends with a dynamic of *ffff*.

20 bartók pizz. *col legno battuto* *col legno tratto* 5 *arco, sul pont.* *molto sul tasto*

Vlc. I 

Vlc. II 

Musical score for strings (Vlc. I and Vlc. II) showing measures 24-25. The score includes dynamic markings (f, p, fff, ffp), performance instructions (arco, position ord., sul pont., molto sul pont.), and time signature changes (3/4, 2/4). Measure 24 ends with a forte dynamic (f) and a performance instruction "position ord.". Measure 25 begins with a piano dynamic (p) and a performance instruction "sul pont.". The time signature changes to 3/4, followed by 2/4. The score continues with dynamic markings (fff, ffp) and performance instructions (molto sul pont., II).

Musical score for strings (Vlc. I and Vlc. II) showing measures 28-30. The score includes dynamic markings *mp*, *f*, *mf*, and *p*. Measure 28 starts with a melodic line in Vlc. I and a harmonic line in Vlc. II. Measure 29 shows a transition with various rhythmic patterns and dynamics. Measure 30 concludes with a dynamic *p*.

11

32

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

p *f*

mf

col legno battuto col legno tratto

col legno battuto

f

p

arco, ordinario
IV

Musical score for strings (Vlc. I and Vlc. II) showing measures 36-37. The score includes dynamic markings (fff, mf), articulations (staccato dots, slurs, grace notes), and performance instructions (molto sul pont., I). Measure 36 ends with a fermata over the bassoon line. Measure 37 begins with a dynamic change to *mf*.

IV.

 $\text{♩} = 86$

Cello I

**circular bowing,
repeat normal fingering and light fingering**

IV [•] → [◊] → [•] → [◊] → *simile*

Cello II ***mf***

repeat normal fingering IV **—**
and light fingering **—** 3

Vlc. I

4

Vlc. I

f

p

Vlc. II

gradually increase the speed
of the circular motion

Vlc. I

7

Vlc. I

tr ↗

IV
molto sul pont.

Vlc. II

gradually slow down the motion
and the trill to connect to bar 10

Vlc. I

10

Vlc. I

p

Vlc. II

13

circular bowing,
repeat normal fingering and light fingering

speed of drawing circles = speed of trill
increase the speed of the circular motion gradually

12 IV [•] → [◊] → [•] → [◊] → simile

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

f > **p** < **mf** > **pp** simile free bowing,
crescendo when ascending, decrescendo when descending,
very flexible.

16

gradually change from fast circle drawing to tremolo

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

19

$\text{♩} = 98$

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

23

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

27

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

mf

(h)

Musical score for strings (Vlc. I and Vlc. II) on two staves. The score includes dynamic markings such as *ffff*, *fff*, *pp*, and *ff*, and performance instructions like *tr* (trill), *rit* (ritardando), and *rit.* (ritardando). Measure 30 starts with *ffff* for Vlc. I followed by a trill instruction. Vlc. II begins with a dynamic *[•]*. The score continues with various dynamics and performance techniques, including a ritardando section indicated by a downward arrow and a wavy line.

Musical score for Violin I (Vlc. I) and Violin II (Vlc. II) at measure 34.

Vlc. I: The first measure consists of two measures of 3/4 time. The first measure contains a single eighth note followed by a rest. The second measure contains a rest. The dynamic is *fff*. A hand icon with a downward arrow is positioned above the staff.

Vlc. II: The first measure consists of two measures of 3/4 time. The first measure contains a sustained eighth note with a dynamic of *pp*. The second measure contains a sustained eighth note with a dynamic of *ff*. The third measure consists of two measures of 3/4 time. The first measure contains a sustained eighth note with a dynamic of *pp*. The second measure contains a sustained eighth note with a dynamic of *pp*. The dynamic *tr* (trill) is indicated above the staff.

37

[•] → [◊] [•] → [◊] [•] → [◊]

Vlc. I

ff

tr □

ff

ff

ff

Vlc. II

ff

p

fff

15

40

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

p fff > p < f > p < f > p

41

43

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

ffff

molto sul pont.

IV

46

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

ff

molto rit.

49

(rit.)

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

IV

pp

f

V.

$\text{♩} = 36$

Cello I Cello II

Vlc. I Vlc. II

5

Vlc. I Vlc. II

9

Vlc. I Vlc. II

13

VI.

$\text{♩} = 92$

Cello I col legno battuto clb.

Cello II col legno battuto 3 ff sffz

Vlc. I 4 (clb.) pizz. 3 large vibrato 4 4

Vlc. II pizz. fff large vibrato clb. 3 4

8

Vlc. I clb. 3 pizz. 3 3 3 3 3

Vlc. II ff sffz fff > p 0 mp mf f ff

11 place the bow on the string (near the tip)

(clef for bowing)

Vlc. I tap strings as fast as possible, repeat

Vlc. II fff

15

Vlc. I

tap the body
of the instrument >

5

ff

sfz

Vlc. II

ff

f

sfz

clb. _____

19 (clb.)

Vlc. I

pizz.

mp

mf

f

ff

mp

Vlc. II

pizz.

p

f

ff

ff

clb.

tap the body
of the instrument >

tap strings

22

Vlc. I

tap

ff

mp

fff

ff

fff

Vlc. II

(clef for bowing)

pizz.

fff

ff

place the bow on the string (near the tip)

tap strings as fast as possible, repeat

25

Vlc. I

clb.

fff

ff

Vlc. II

ord.

sul pont.

fff

ffff

ff

ff

place the bow on the string (near the tip)

19

29

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

32 [o]

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

p ff ffz sffz tap pizz. ff

35

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

ff f ff sffz mf

38

Vlc. I

battuto with hair side of bow

Vlc. II

ff ffz fff sffffz

40

Vlc. I battuto with hair side of bow

Vlc. II

fffp fff

battuto with hair side of bow

II 3 0 3 arco 3

fff

fff

mf

fff

42

Vlc. I sfffz battuto with hair side of bow

Vlc. II

sfffz

battuto with hair side of bow

arco

IV

p

sfffz

battuto with hair side of bow

sfffz

p

sfffz

p

45

Vlc. I (batt.) ff ff

Vlc. II (batt.) ff fff

(batt.)

ff

ff

48

Vlc. I pizz. clb. mp

Vlc. II f mf mp

pizz.

f

pizz.

mf

clb.

mp

21**51**

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

tap

p

5 pizz.

pp

mp

mp

VII.

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

4

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

7

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

10

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

10

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

23

very much vibrato
to the end of the piece
IV

13

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

p pp

16

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

pp <mf> p pp

0 0 III IV

(mf) p

19

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

mf p mf p mp

mf p mf p p mf p mp

22

Vlc. I

Vlc. II

p (mf) p pp (mf) p

II III