

MARTIN SCHEUREGGER

Three Worlds

for orchestra

2015

Three Worlds has not yet received its first performance.

Duration: 11'30"

Instrumentation

3 flutes (1 = piccolo, 2 = piccolo, 3 = alto flute)

3 oboes (3 = cor anglais)

3 B♭ clarinets (2 = A clarinet, 3 = bass clarinet)

3 bassoons (3 = contrabassoon)

4 horns

3 trumpets (1 = flugelhorn)

3 trombones

Tuba

Timpani

(with 2 roto-toms for notes above A₃)

Percussion (2 players)

Player 1: marimba, vibraphone, glockenspiel, temple blocks, maracas (pair)

Player 2: bongos, suspended cymbal, bass drum, tam tam, vibraphone (shared with player 1)

Harp

Piano

Strings

Score in C

Programme Note

Three Worlds takes its title from an engraving by M. C. Escher, and is more generally inspired by the artist's work and its many optical illusions. Images morph from one to the next, and seemingly impossible structures see figures continually climbing and descending: these ideas are loosely translated into music here. The music is in constant motion, morphing from sonority to sonority and moving between extremes of high and low pitches within sections. This ebb and flow gives a sense of organic progression to the work, which sees texture, colour and the combination of instrumental lines as more important than individual parts. Although the idea of 'sounding together' lies at the heart of this work, occasional prominent voices appear that hint at the melodic strains under the surface.

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Distant $\bullet = 90$

A detailed musical score page featuring a grid of 28 instrument staves. The instruments include Flute 1, Flute 2, Flute 3, Alto Flute, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, Oboe 3, Clarinet in B♭ 1, Clarinet in B♭ 2, Clarinet in B♭ 3, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Contrabassoon, Horn 1, Horn 2, Horn 3, Horn 4, Flugelhorn, Trumpet in B♭ 2, Trumpet in B♭ 3, Trombone 1, Trombone 2, Trombone 3, Tuba, Timpani (+ tom toms), Vibraphone, Bongos, Temple Blocks, Harp, Piano, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The score is set in 4/4 time and includes various dynamic markings such as ff, ppp, mf, pp, and pp. Performance instructions like 'con sord.', 'molto sul pont.', and 'sul tasto' are also present. A tempo marking 'Distant ♩ = 90' is located at the bottom of the page.

The image shows a single page from a complex musical score, likely for a symphony or large orchestra. The page is filled with multiple staves, each representing a different instrument. The instruments include Flute 1, Flute 2, Alto Flute, Oboe 2 (labeled 'Cor Anglais'), Clarinet 1, Clarinet 2, Clarinet 3, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Bassoon 3, Horn 1, Trombone 3, Tuba, Timpani, Percussion 1 (with labels for Temple Blocks, Vibraphone, Bongos, and Marimba), Harp, Piano, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, and Double Bass. The music is divided into measures by vertical bar lines. Various dynamics are indicated by letters above the notes: 'pp' (pianissimo), 'mp' (mezzo-pianissimo), 'f' (fortissimo), and 'ff' (fortississimo). There are also performance instructions such as 'stop string with finger' for the piano and 'norm.' (normal) for the violin. The page number '12' is located in the top left corner.

Musical score for orchestra, measures 1-10. The score includes parts for Hn. 1, Hn. 2, Hn. 3, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, and Tba. Measure 1: Hn. 1, Hn. 2, Hn. 3, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3, Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, Tba. Measures 2-4: All parts are silent. Measures 5-6: Dynamics: *mp*, *mf*, *mp*. Measures 7-8: Dynamics: *p*, *ff*, *pp*. Measures 9-10: Dynamics: *mp*, *mf*, *mp*.

B With movement $\text{d} = 60$

33

Fl. 1
Fl. 2
A. Fl.
Ob. 1
Ob. 2
C. A.
Cl. 2
Cl. 3

Hn. 1
Hn. 2
Hn. 3
Hn. 4

SOLO
Flug.
Tpt. 2
Tpt. 3

Tbn. 1
Tbn. 2
Tbn. 3
Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1
Perc. 2

Hp.

Pno.

Vln. I
Vla.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

This page contains a complex musical score for orchestra and solo brass section. The score is divided into two main sections: 'B' and 'B' (With movement $\text{d} = 60$). The instrumentation includes woodwinds (Flutes 1-3, Alto Flute, Oboes 1-2, Clarinets 2-3), brass (Horns 1-4, Trombones 1-3, Bass Trombone, Timpani, Percussion 1-2, Horn), and strings (Violin I, Violin II, Cello). The solo brass section consists of Flugelhorn, Trombones 2-3, and Bass Trombone. The score features various dynamics (e.g., ppp , ff , mf , p , f , mp , $poco$, $con sord.$, $sul pont.$) and performance instructions (e.g., \geq damp, \approx damp, \geq sim.). The score is set on multiple systems of five-line staves, with measures numbered 33 at the top left. The title 'B With movement $\text{d} = 60$ ' appears twice in boxes at the top and bottom of the page.

45

C

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

A. Fl.

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Ob. 3

Oboe

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Cbsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Hn. 3

Hn. 4

Flug.

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Tbn. 1

Tbn. 2

Tbn. 3

Tba.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Hp.

Vln. I

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

C

C

E Dark ♩ = 52

Ob. 1
Ob. 2
Ob. 3
Bsn. 1.
Bsn. 2
Cbsn.

Measures 55-60 show six staves of woodwind parts (Ob. 1, Ob. 2, Ob. 3, Bsn. 1., Bsn. 2, Cbsn.). The dynamics are primarily *p* or *pp*. Measure 60 concludes with a long sustained note on Cbsn. 6.

Hn. 1
Hn. 3
Flug.
Tpt. 2
Tpt. 3
Tba.
Timp.

Measures 55-60 show parts for Horn 1, Horn 3, Flugelhorn, Trompete 2, Trompete 3, Bass Trombone, and Timpani. The brass parts are mostly silent. The Timpani part includes dynamic markings like *pp*, *p*, and *f*, and performance instructions like *gliss.* and *(diff. drum)*.

Perc. 1
Perc. 2

Measures 55-60 show parts for Percussion 1 and Percussion 2. Percussion 1 uses *mf* and *p* dynamics with *tempo* markings. Percussion 2 uses *mf* and *p* dynamics. Specific instruments like Temple Blocks, Bongos, Bass Drum, and Bongos are labeled.

Hp.
Pno.

Measures 55-60 show parts for Harp and Piano. The Harp part features a sustained note with a dynamic range from *pp* to *ff*. The Piano part includes a dynamic *mp* and a tempo marking of $\text{P} \frac{1}{2}$.

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

Measures 55-60 show parts for Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, and Double Bass. The strings play sustained notes throughout the measures. Dynamic markings include *p*, *pp*, and *mp*.

Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Ob. 1
Ob. 2
Ob. 3
Cbsn.
Flug.
Tpt. 2
Tpt. 3
Ton. 3
Tba.
Timp.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Hn.
Pno.
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

rit. **F** $\text{♩} = 60$ (sub.)

pp poss.

Cor Anglais

senza sord.

(Temple Blocks)

Bass Drum

Bongos

l.v.

rit. **F** $\text{♩} = 60$ (sub.)

sul pont.

ppp

tr.

15 $\frac{1}{2}$

67

Fl. 1 *pp*

Fl. 2 *pp*

A. Fl. *f* *pp*

Ob. 1 *mp dolce* *mf* *f* *p poss.*

Ob. 2 *mp dolce* *mf* *f* *p*

C. A. *mp* *f* *5* *5* *ppp*

Hn. 1 *mp* *f* *mp*

Hn. 3 *p* *f* *mp*

Flug. *pp*

Tba. *ppp*

Perc. 1 *Marimba* *mf* *pp*

Hp. *l.v.* *3* *sons étouffés* *p* *ff* *l.v.*

Pno. *mp* *6* *p* *ff* *mf* *Ré*

Vln. I *norm. molto legato* *f* *3* *mp* *mf* *3* *3* *3* *pp*

Vln. II *ppp* *f* *3* *pizz.* *3* *mp* *mf* *3* *3* *pp*

Vla. *ppp* *mf* *5* *5* *p* *p*

Vc. *ppp* *pizz.* *5* *mf* *5* *5* *pp*

71

G

Ob. 1 *mf* 3 5 *pp*

Cl. 2

Cl. 3 [Bass Clarinet in B \flat] *ppp ff ppp*

Bsn. 1 *ppp ff ppp*

Bsn. 2 *ppp ff ppp*

Cbsn. *ppp ff ppp*

Tbn. 1 *ppp mf ppp*

Tbn. 2 *ppp mf ppp*

Perc. 1 [Marimba] *ppp mf ppp*

Perc. 2 [Tam-tam] *pp f l.v.*

Hp. *ppp mf p*

G

Pno. *ff* *8va ppp mf*

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc. *arco sfz p pp*

Cb. *ppp mf pp*

H Rhythmic ♩ = 132

81

Picc. 1 *f*

Picc. 2 *f*

Fl. 3 *f*

Ob. 1 *mp* *f*

C. A. *3* *mp* *f*

Bsn. 1 *mf* *ff* *f*

Hn. 1 *mp* *mf* *p* *f*

Hn. 2 *nf* *f* *mp* *f*

Hn. 3 *mp* *mf* *p* *f*

Hn. 4 *mf* *f* *mp* *f*

Flug. *con sord.* *mf* *f*

Tpt. 2 *con sord.* *mf* *f*

Tpt. 3 *3 con sord.* *mf* *f*

Tbn. 1 *senza sord.* *mf* *f* *mp* *senza sord.*

Timp. *(Marimba)* *mf* *ff* *f*

Perc. 1 *mf* *f* *p* *3 f* *mf* *f*

Perc. 2 *damp* *p* *mf* *f*

Hp. *p* *3 f* *ff* *mp*

Pno. *mf* *p* *3 f* *p* *3 f*

Vln. I *f* *pizz.* *p* *3 f* *ff* *mp*

Vln. II *f* *pizz.* *p* *3 f* *ff* *mp*

Vla. *f* *pizz.* *p* *3 f* *ff* *mp* *ff*

Vc. *ff* *mp* *ff* *pizz.*

Cb.

H Rhythmic ♩ = 132

This image shows a single page from a full orchestra score, specifically Gustav Mahler's Symphony No. 8. The page is filled with multiple staves, each representing a different instrument or section of the orchestra. The instruments listed on the left side of the page include Picc. 1, Picc. 2, Fl. 3, Ob. 1, C. A., Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2, Cbsn., Hn. 1, Hn. 2, Hn. 4, Tpt. 1, Tpt. 2, Tpt. 3, Tbn. 1, Tba., Timp., Perc. 1, Perc. 2, Hp., Pno., Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vc., and Cb. The music is arranged in measures, with various dynamics such as *p*, *f*, *ff*, and *mf* indicated above the staves. Performance techniques like *arco*, *pizz.*, and *div.* are also present. The score is highly detailed, showing the intricate interactions between all the instruments in this massive work.

I

poco rit.

Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3
Bsn. 1.
Bsn. 2
Cbsn.
Hn. 2
Hn. 4
Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2
Tpt. 3
Tbn. 1
Tbn. 2
Tbn. 3
Tba.
Timp.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Hpf.
Pno.
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

I

stop string with finger

unis. (norm.) → molto sul pont.

(norm.) → molto sul pont.

(norm.) → molto sul pont. unis.

(norm.) → sul pont.

(norm.) → sul pont.

(norm.) → sul pont.

(norm.) → norm.

J Rhythmic ♩ = 136

108

Picc. 1 *f*
Picc. 2 *f*
Fl. 3 *f*
Ob. 1 *f*
Ob. 2 *f*
C. A. *mp* *ff poss.*
Cl. 1 *p* *f* *p*
Cl. 2 *p* *f* *p*
Cl. 3 *p* *f* *p*
Bsn. 1 *mp* *f* *p*
Bsn. 2 *mp* *f* *p*
Cbsn. *p* *f* *p*

Hn. 1 *f* *mf* *senza sord.* *f* *mf*
Hn. 2 *f* *mf*
Hn. 3 *f* *mf* *senza sord.*
Hn. 4 *f* *mf*
Tpt. 1 *sfz* *p* *con sord.* *sfz* *p* *con sord.*
Tpt. 2 *sfz* *p* *con sord.*
Tpt. 3 *sfz* *p*
Timp. *mf* *ff* *f*
Perc. 1 *p* *f*
Perc. 2 *Bass Drum* *dry* *damp*
Hpf. *f* *p* *f* *pp*
Pno. *mp* *mf* *p marcato* *mf*

J Rhythmic ♩ = 136

120

K Explosive

Picc. 1
Picc. 2
Fl. 3
Ob. 1
Ob. 2
C. A.
Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3
Bsn. 1
Bsn. 2
Cbsn.

This section shows measures 120 through 125. The woodwinds (Picc. 1, Picc. 2, Fl. 3, Ob. 1, Ob. 2, C. A., Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Cl. 3) play sustained notes with grace marks. The brass (Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2, Cbsn.) play eighth-note patterns. Measure 125 ends with a fermata over the woodwind parts.

Hn. 1
Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2
Tpt. 3
Tbn. 1
Timp.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Hp.
Pno.

Solo, slowly stand up

l.v. (do not damp!) 5

(Marimba)
((Bass Drum))

mp marcato f pp

ffff non dim. fff fpp

damp

ffff fpp

ffff fpp

ffff fpp

This section shows measures 126 through 131. It includes dynamic markings like ppp, f, fff, and fffff. Performance instructions include "SOLO, slowly stand up", "l.v. (do not damp!)", and specific damping instructions for the timpani and bass drum. The percussion section features marimba and bass drum parts.

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

K Explosive

ffff

ffff

ffff

ffff

This section shows measure 132. The strings (Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., Vc., Cb.) play eighth-note patterns with dynamic markings like ff, f, and fffff. The section ends with a fermata over the strings.

Tbn. 1
Timp.
Perc. 2
Hp.
Pno.

126

(damp top 3 drums only)

pp

ffff

pp

ffff

pp

This section shows measure 133. The brass (Tbn. 1) and percussion (Timpani, Percussion 2) play eighth-note patterns. Dynamic markings include pp, ff, and fffff. The percussion section includes a note "damp top 3 drums only". The section ends with a fermata over the brass.

L ♩ = ♩ Steady, chorale-like ♩ = 66

Musical score for orchestra and brass section, page 134. The score includes parts for Picc. 1, Picc. 2, Fl. 3, Ob. 1, C. A., Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Cl. 3, Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2, Cbsn., Tbn. 1, Tbn. 2, and Tbn. 3. The instrumentation is as follows:

- Picc. 1:** Piccolo 1, playing eighth-note patterns.
- Picc. 2:** Piccolo 2, playing eighth-note patterns.
- Fl. 3:** Flute 3, playing eighth-note patterns.
- Ob. 1:** Oboe 1, playing eighth-note patterns.
- C. A.:** Bassoon 1, playing eighth-note patterns.
- Cl. 1:** Clarinet 1, playing sustained notes.
- Cl. 2:** Clarinet 2, playing eighth-note patterns.
- Cl. 3:** Clarinet 3, playing eighth-note patterns.
- Bsn. 1:** Bassoon 1, playing eighth-note patterns.
- Bsn. 2:** Bassoon 2, playing sustained notes.
- Cbsn.:** Bassoon 3, playing eighth-note patterns.
- Tbn. 1:** Trombone 1, playing sustained notes.
- Tbn. 2:** Trombone 2, playing eighth-note patterns.
- Tbn. 3:** Trombone 3, playing eighth-note patterns.

Dynamic markings include **pp**, **pp poss.**, and **ppp poss.**. Measure 3 is indicated by a bracket above the measures. The bassoon parts include "sit down" instructions. The score is in common time, with various key signatures throughout.

$\text{♩} = \text{♩}$ ($\text{♩} = 66$) **poco rit.** [M] **Distant** $\text{♩} = 56$

N Calm ♩ = 52

154

A. Fl.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

Bsn. 1.

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Hp.

Pno.

N Calm ♩ = 52

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

O

163

C. A.

Bsn. 1.

Bsn. 2.

Cbsn.

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Hp.

O

Vc.

Cb.

pp dolce

pp dolce

pp dolce

pp dolce

pp

pp cresc. poco a poco

soft sticks

p sub.

pp

5

p (cresc.)

pp sub. arco

pp sub.

167

C. A. **P**

Bsn. 1.

Bsn. 2.

Cbsn.

Hn. 1. **SOLO**

Hn. 2.

Hn. 3. **pp**

Hn. 4. **pp**

Tpt. 1. **con sord.**
pp poss.

Tpt. 2. **con sord.**
pp poss.

Tpt. 3. **con sord.**
pp poss.

Timp.

Perc. 1. **pp** **f**

Hp. **ly** **ff**

Pno. **P** **ff**

Vln. I. **con sord.**
pp

Vln. I. **con sord.**
pp

Vln. II. **pizz.**
p **f**
**senza sord.
sul pont.**

Vla. **pp**

Vc. **pizz.**
p **mf**
**con sord.
sul taso**

Cb.

172

Hn. 1
Hn. 2
Hn. 3
Hn. 4
Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2
Tpt. 3

Glockenspiel
(Vibraphone)

Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Hp.
Pno.

=

Q Distant ♩ = 80

176

Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3
Bsn. 1.
Perc. 1
Perc. 2
Hp.
Pno.

Q Distant ♩ = 80

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

183

Fl. 1
Fl. 2
A. Fl.
Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3
Bsn. 1.
Bsn. 2
Cbsn.

Piccolo
p
p

Hn. 1
Hn. 2
Hn. 3
Hn. 4
Tpt. 1
Tpt. 2
Tpt. 3
Tbn. 1
Tbn. 2

con sord.
sfz
con sord.
sfz > p
con sord.
sfz p
con sord.
sfz p
con sord.
sfz p

Perc. 1
(Glockenspiel)
p

Hp.
Pno.
(Rd.) 8th.l 8th.l 8th.l 8th.l 8th.l 8th.l 8th.l

Vln. I
Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

arco, con sord.
ppp
arco, con sord.
ppp
arco
ppp

193

Fl. 1

Piccolo

rit.

Fl. 1

Picc. 2

A. Fl.

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

C. A.

Cl. 1

bell up

Cl. 2

bell up

Cl. 3

bell up

Bsn. 1.

Bsn. 2

Cbsn.

Tbn. 3

senza sord.

pp

mf

Tba.

mp

mf

(Glockenspiel)

Perc. 1

Pno.

rit.

(Röh.)

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Cb.

R Distant ♩ = 72

199

Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3

Tpt. 1 Flugelhorn SOLO
Tpt. 3
Perc. 1
Hpf.
Pno.

R Distant ♩ = 72

Vc. Cb.

207

Fl. 1
Fl. 2.
A. Fl.
Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3
Bsn. 1.

Flug.
Tpt. 3
Timp.
Perc. 1
Hpf.
Pno.

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

Musical score page 213 featuring multiple staves for various instruments:

- Cl. 1, 2, 3**: Clarinets 1, 2, and 3 play eighth-note patterns with grace notes and dynamic **f**.
- Bsn. 1.**: Bassoon 1 plays sustained notes with a dynamic of **p**.
- Flug.**: Flute plays eighth-note patterns with grace notes and dynamic **f**.
- Tpt. 2, 3**: Trombones 2 and 3 play eighth-note patterns with grace notes, marked **p** and **senza sord.**, followed by dynamic **f**.
- Timp.**: Timpani plays eighth-note patterns with grace notes and dynamic **p**.
- Perc. 1, 2**: Percussion 1 and 2 play eighth-note patterns with grace notes. Percussion 2 includes a dynamic **p** and a box labeled **Vibraphone** with a dynamic **mf** and a pedaling symbol.
- Hp.**: Double bass (Horn) plays eighth-note patterns with grace notes and dynamic **mf**.
- Pno.**: Piano plays eighth-note patterns with grace notes and dynamic **f**. The piano part includes markings **(Ped.)**, *** Ped.**, **mute with finger**, and **l.v.**
- Vln. I, II**: Violins 1 and 2 play eighth-note patterns with grace notes and dynamic **p**, followed by **arco** and **f**.
- Vla.**: Cello (Vla.) plays eighth-note patterns with grace notes and dynamic **p**, followed by **arco** and **f**.
- Vc.**: Bass (Vc.) plays eighth-note patterns with grace notes and dynamic **p**, followed by **arco** and **f**.
- Cb.**: Double bass (Cb.) plays eighth-note patterns with grace notes and dynamic **p**, followed by **arco** and **f**.