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Anapalmós

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for solo clarinet in B^b

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-Dedicated to Jérôme Comte-

Anapalmós (Greek αναπαλμός) is a literary word denoting pulse, oscillation or upheaving agitation, describing, in a kind of an Aristotelian manner, the etherical state of vibration. The word can also signify the perpetual movement of the sea's deepest currents, or the radiating light of the distant stars, arriving on earth in oscillation. This is the same energy that creates life out of the smallest seed oscillating in the ground so that it turns into a plant, or a tree extending its branches and leaves towards the sun. It is the same energy triggered by the union of the male and the female to form the first cells of human life: the energy of the oscillation, the perpetual palpitation always precedes the process of materialisation. Anapalmós entails the discretion, the mystery and the retreat that lies within. Its derivative word, *anápalsis* (Gr. ανάπαλσις), denoting the movement of the waves, is probably the root of the Latin word *pulsus* (pulse).

-Andreas Tsartas, February 2020

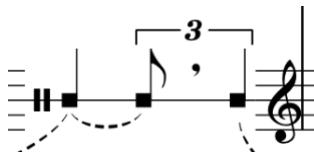
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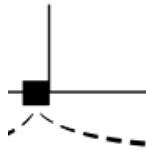
General notes:

- Rests: the smallest rest in the piece is the single *caesura* • (a rapid breathing rest).
- Accidentals apply for a single bar.
- Trills throughout the piece to be performed as fast as possible.
- The score is transposed.

General structure glossary:



Two kinds of staves on the score:
one for the regular five-line stave and the
other one a single line for passages denoting air sounds.



Note-head used for air sounds.

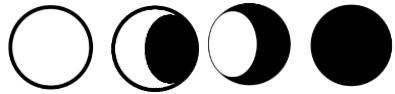


Three kinds of slurs: regular, dashed and dotted slurs. The regular slurs function as ties OR indicate a phrasing when regular note-heads are in use. The dashed slurs imply a musical phrasing when non-regular note-heads are in use. The dotted slurs are used to bring out a specific melodic line.

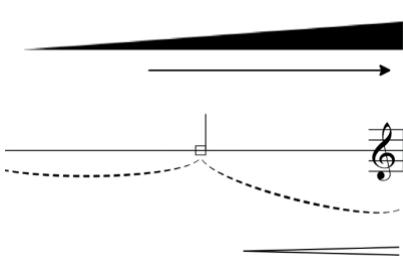


Feathered figures indicate a relative amount of pulsating beats and are not to be taken literally. The culmination of each feathered figure usually lies in the centre and it matches with a respective dynamic marking. This kind of pulsation should be performed vividly and in a fast speed, independently from the passage's tempo.

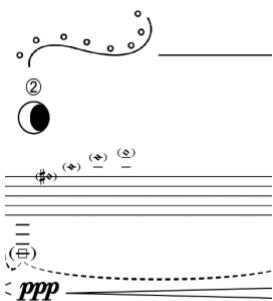
Sound specific glossary:



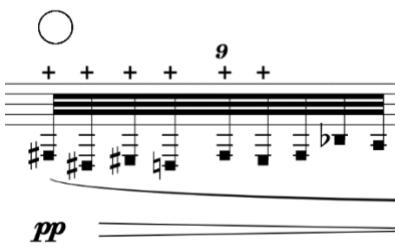
From air sound to full pitch (i.e. ord.) there are four stages (marked in the score as ①/ ②/ ③/ ④): a white circle is air only (①), black circle is reg. pitch (④). Two intermediate stages, one with more air and some pitch (②) and the other one, with more pitch and some air (③).



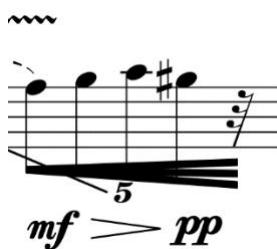
Air pressure/ sound towards some pitch (from ① to ②).



Harmonic gliss. on D³ (sounding pitch) within air (inaudible/ barely audible fundamental): Start with air in a closed position ① towards air with minimum pitch ② (in this case, the overtones). Reach for the partials written and play with these partials only (as accurately as possible), **in any order**, in a slow to medium pace ('harmonic wandering').



(+) key-click sound (with min. pitch, closer to air sound yet on the given fingerings).



Figures crossed diagonally with a line, indicate to be performed rapidly despite tempo indications for the specific passage.

Timbral trill (*bisbigliando*).

Coming from *bisb.*, transition to regular pitch (given as *naturale*), then performing a dyad on that pitch (fundamental given on top).

Harmonic: top pitch is the desired sounding one – fundamental not audible (Credits: Heather Roche).

harmonic trill

Harmonic trills (throughout); trills performed with 2 different harmonics, resulting in the same sounding pitch in pulsation – as indicated.

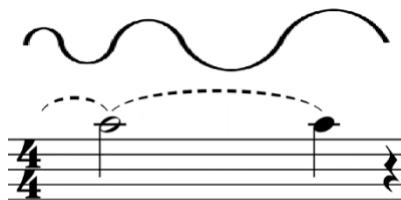
p



Shaking: Find a stable position for the embouchure and then gently shake the clarinet vertically (i.e. to shake the embouchure's stability). This will create a subtle pulsation to.

3

<*p* > *pppp*



'Clamore': Intensifying vibrato (*vibr. leggero*)/
this should sound as an outcry ('saxophone-like' effect).
Suggestion: lip vibrato OR start with key trill and grow into lip vibrato.

f

Multiphonic:

d = 32

3 2 2 1

sfzp — *fff* —

Create a multiphonic based on the fundamental given (sounding F#3) within *fff* dynamic that has a rich high partials sound. Aim for a multiphonic that includes a doubling of the fundamental. Following up a second and a third multiphonic, in not as powerful dynamic and partials. The fourth one should ideally have a single overtone (most naturally, a 7th should come out).

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A ♩ = 90 Animato

Clarinet in B \flat

l.r.

harmonic trill

3 3

ppp ————— p —

Pitches in boxes (with dotted slurs): bring out the melodic line

sim.

Cl.

5

3 3

ppp

submf > ppp

pp < p > pp < mp

without oscillation here,
until further indicated so.

harmonic trill

17

Cl.

mp — *f* — *pp*

3

Cl.

$\text{♩} = 66$ Con moto
cantabile

bisb. (timbral trill)

$\text{♩} = 90$ Animato
(sim. harmonic trill)

19

mp ————— **pp**

mp ————— **f** ————— **pp**

Cl.

21 **$\text{♩} = 66$ Con moto**

sim. 3 3 3 , come sopra

p ————— **ppp** **ppp** —————

Cl.

22

3 3 3

p > **pp** **mp** **pp** **p** **ppp**

Cl.

23

3 3 3 nat. 3 ORD.

pp <**mp**> <**p**> <**mp**> <**pp**> <**p**> **pp** —————

B ♩ = 72 (♩ = 144)

(bisb.)

Cl.

26

4 3

5/4

5/8

mf > pp

rall. $\text{♩} = 120$ accel.

Cl. 28

mf

$\text{♩} = 144$ $\text{♩} = 90$ Animato

Cl. 29
 $\text{t - k - t - k - t - k (sim.)}$
 staccato
 $\text{pp} \quad \text{sfmp} \quad \text{ppp}$

$\text{mp} \quad \text{f} \quad \text{pp}$

$\text{♩} = 144$ rall. $\text{♩} = 120$ ($\text{♩} = 60$)

Cl. 31
 $\text{sfmp} \quad \text{ppp} \quad \text{ppp} < \text{pp} > \text{ppp}$
 ppp
 ppp-

air sound:
 on E

→ ORD.

Cl. 33
 sfmp

- Volando ($\text{♪} = 144$)

Subito meno mosso ♫ = 120

Musical score for Clarinet (Cl.) at measure 38:

- Measure 1:** Dynamics *sfsf*, followed by a crescendo to *p*. The measure ends with a fermata.
- Measure 2:** Dynamics *sfsf*, followed by a crescendo to *p*. The measure ends with a fermata.
- Measure 3:** Dynamics *p*, followed by *mp*, then *ppp*.

♩ = 144



42

Cl.

p

p

pp

$\text{♪} = 120$

Cl.

43

$\text{♪} = 120$

(2)

→ (3)

Cl.

6/8

5 5 5 5

4/8

$\text{♪} = 110$

Cl.

44

$\text{♪} = 110$

(4)

→

Cl.

4/8

5 5 5 5

5 5 5 5

f

p

Cl.

45

$\text{♪} = 110$

(3)

→ (2)

Cl.

5 5 5 5

5 5 5 5

p

pp

$p > pp$

mp

(4)

$\text{♩} = 90$

$\text{♪} = 110$

clamore:
(vibr. leggero)

Cl.

47

$\text{♩} = 90$

$\text{♪} = 110$

clamore:
(vibr. leggero)

→ (2)

Cl.

4/4

f

pp

$p > pp$

come sopra

Musical score for Clarinet (Cl.) at measure 50. The score shows a melodic line with various dynamics and performance instructions. The first section consists of eight eighth-note pairs, each preceded by a '+' sign and followed by a '5' above it. The dynamic is *ppp*. The second section starts with a sixteenth-note cluster, followed by a sixteenth-note rest, then a sixteenth-note cluster, and finally a sixteenth-note cluster. The dynamic is *pp*. The third section consists of six eighth notes, each preceded by a '+' sign and followed by a '5' above it. The dynamic is *<mp*. The measure ends with a measure repeat sign and a '3' below it.

$\text{♩} = 55$

♩ = 110

rall.

Cl. 53

Musical notation for Clarinet (Cl.) in 5/8 time. The first measure consists of five eighth-note pairs. The second measure begins with a plus sign, followed by a group of three eighth notes with a bracket above labeled '5', then a plus sign, then another group of three eighth notes with a bracket above labeled '5'. The third measure starts with a plus sign, followed by a group of three eighth notes with a bracket above labeled '5', then a plus sign, then another group of three eighth notes with a bracket above labeled '5'. The fourth measure starts with a plus sign, followed by a group of three eighth notes with a bracket above labeled '5', then a plus sign, then another group of three eighth notes with a bracket above labeled '5'. The fifth measure starts with a plus sign, followed by a group of three eighth notes with a bracket above labeled '5', then a plus sign, then another group of three eighth notes with a bracket above labeled '5'. The key signature changes to 4/4 at the end.

$\text{♩} = 30$ Meno mosso

Cl. 54

Musical notation for Clarinet (Cl.) in 4/4 time. The first measure consists of three eighth notes. The second measure consists of three eighth notes with a bracket below labeled '3', followed by a plus sign, then another group of three eighth notes with a bracket below labeled '3'. The third measure consists of three eighth notes with a bracket below labeled '3', followed by a plus sign, then another group of three eighth notes with a bracket below labeled '3'. The key signature changes to 5/8 at the end.

vibrato leggero/molto

(sim.)

$\text{♩} = 132$ Molto più mosso

ppp $\ll p \gg pp \ll mp \gg \ll p \gg \ll \ll$

$\text{♩} = 132$ Molto più mosso

l.r.

Cl. 55

Musical notation for Clarinet (Cl.) in 5/8 time. The first measure consists of three eighth notes with a bracket below labeled '3', followed by a plus sign, then another group of three eighth notes with a bracket below labeled '5'. The second measure consists of five eighth notes. The third measure consists of five eighth notes. The fourth measure consists of five eighth notes. The fifth measure consists of five eighth notes. The key signature changes to 3/2 at the end.

mf

ppp

sffz

D $\text{♩} = 30$ Meno mosso

'Shaking effect'

Cl. 56

Musical notation for Clarinet (Cl.) in 3/2 time. The first measure consists of three eighth notes with a bracket below labeled '3'. The second measure consists of three eighth notes with a bracket below labeled '3'. The third measure consists of three eighth notes with a bracket below labeled '3'. The fourth measure consists of three eighth notes with a bracket below labeled '3'. The key signature changes to 3/2 at the end.

sffz $\gg pppp$

$\ll p \gg pppp \ll \ll$

57

Cl.

58

Cl.

60

Cl.

62

Cl.

E ♩ = 72 **rall.**

(bisb.)

65 Cl. ♩ = 72 (bisb.) *tr* ♩ = 72
 68 Cl. ♩ = 120 (♩ = 60)
 67 Cl. ♩ = 68 →
 68 Cl. ♩ = 38
 68 Cl. ♩ = 38 →
 70 Cl. ♩ = 5 →
 71 Cl. ♩ = 38

72

Cl.

mp

mf

3

74

Cl.

rall.

3

76

Cl.

sost.

F = 30

ff

sfzp

sfp

4

78

Cl.

p

mp

mf

80

Cl.

pp

pp < *p* > *ppp*

ppp <

G ♪ = 90 Animato

88

Cl.

$\frac{2}{4}$

3

pp ————— ***p*** ————— ***ppp***

♩ = 66 Con moto come sopra

Cl. $\text{♩} = 90$

$\text{♩} = 66$

come sopra

91

$\text{= } f > \text{ ppp}$

$\text{ppp} \leftarrow \text{p}$

$\text{ppp} < \text{mp}$

$\text{ppp} \leftarrow \text{pp}$

$\text{ppp} =$

93

$\text{= } p \geqslant \text{pp}$

$\leftarrow \text{mp} \rightleftarrows \text{pp}$

$\leftarrow \text{p} \rightleftarrows \text{ppp}$

H $\text{♩} = 30$ Meno mosso come sopra

'Shaking effect'

sim.

94

$\text{Cl. } \text{♩} = 32$

pppp

$\leftarrow \text{p} \rightleftarrows \text{pppp}$

$<$

95

$\text{Cl. } \text{♩} = 4$

$\text{pp} \quad \text{pppp}$

$\text{ppp} \quad \text{pppp}$

$\text{♩} = 66$

96 Cl.

ppp < *pp* > *ppp* — *p* *pp* < *mp* > *ppp* — *mp*

$\frac{3}{2}$

$\text{♩} = 30$

97 Cl.

'Shaking effect'

pppp < *p* > *pppp* <

98 Cl.

pp < > *pppp* < > *pp* < > *pppp* *mp*

$\frac{4}{4}$

Cl.

99 $\text{♩} = 90$ **Animato**

harmonic trill

100 $\text{♩} = 30$

'Shaking effect'

101 sim.

102

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