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REFLECTIONS

for orchestra

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ORCHESTRATION

4 Flutes (also doubling 4 Piccolos)
3 Oboes
Cor Anglais
Clarinet in E flat
3 Clarinets in B flat (3d doubling Bass Clarinet in B flat)
3 Bassoons
Contrabassoon

4 Horns in F
3 Trumpets in C
2 Trombones
Bass Trombone
Tuba

Strings

duration: approximately 10 minutes

score in C

Piccolo sounds an octave higher,
double bass and contrabassoon sounds an octave lower

Composer's note

One interpretation of the word “reflection” renders to it an elusive quality: the reflection of an object on the surface of a lake, for example, is distorted when the surface is unsettled and creates ripples. When stillness returns, the image is restored to its original form.

A second meaning of the word has a geometrical, stricter dimension. It concerns the cohesion and soundness of the form, the logical correlation between abstract objects via specific operations.

My intention was to bring these two contrasting qualities of my concept of reflection together: the coherence of the symmetrical construction, on the one hand, with the acoustic sense of a music that flows and continually changes its shape, on the other.

Describing the work concisely, we would say that a micro-polyphonic sonic cloud emerges from silence and is transformed into a melodic line. Having passed through different processes, it gradually sinks back to the “cloud”, which, in its turn, dissolves again into silence.

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Musical score for strings (Violin I, Violin II, Viola) in 2/4 time, key of G major. The score consists of five measures. Measure 1: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 2: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 3: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 4: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 5: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 6: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 7: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 8: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 9: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 10: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 11: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 12: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 13: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 14: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 15: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 16: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 17: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 18: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 19: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns. Measure 20: Violin I and II play eighth-note patterns.

7

Fl. 3

Ob. 1

E♭ Cl. 1

Cl. 4

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Bsn. 3

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Tbn.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

3 Cb. Soli

p

p

p

ff

p

con sord. 2.

con sord.

con sord.

con sord.

pp

con sord.

pp

ffff

p

3

p

pp

p

mf

p

mf

f

5

p

mf

f

5

p

mf

f

pp

p

mf

f

pp

p

mf

f

pp

p

mf

f

pp

p

mf

f

13

Fl. 2
Fl. 3
Fl. 4
Ob. 1
Ob. 2
Ob. 3
E♭ Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3
Cl. 4
Bsn. 1
Bsn. 2
Bsn. 3

Hn.
C Tpt.
Tbn.
Tbn.
Vln. I
Vln. II
3 Vln. Soli
Vla.
3 Vc. Soli
Vc.
3 Cb. Soli

19

Fl. 2
Fl. 3
Fl. 4
Ob. 1
Ob. 2
Ob. 3
E♭ Cl. 1
Cl. 2
Cl. 3
Cl. 4
Bsn. 1
Bsn. 2
Bsn. 3
Hn.
C Tpt.
3 Vln. I Soli
Vln. II Soli
3 Vle. Soli
Vla.
3 Vc. Soli
Vc.

A

A detailed musical score page, likely for orchestra or large band, featuring two systems of staves. The top system includes Picc. 1, Fl. 2, Fl. 3, Fl. 4, Ob. 1, Ob. 2, Ob. 3, Eb Cl. 1, Cl. 2, Cl. 3, B. Cl. 4, Bsn. 1, Bsn. 2, Bsn. 3, Hn., C Tpt., Tbn., and Tbn. The bottom system includes 3 Vln. I Soli, Vln. I, Vln. II Soli, Vln. II, 3 Vle. Soli, Vla., 3 Vc. Soli, and Vc. The score uses a variety of dynamics, including ff, fff, and ffz, and includes performance instructions like "senza sord." and "a2". Measure numbers 25 and 26 are visible at the top left.

31

Picc. 1

To Picc. 2

Piccolo 2

ff

Fl. 2

To Picc. 3

Piccolo 3

fff

Fl. 3

To Picc. 4

Piccolo 4

fff

Fl. 4

Ob. 1

Ob. 3

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl. 4

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Bsn. 3

Cbsn. 4

Tbn.

Tba.

3 Vln. I Soli

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

36

Picc. 1

Picc. 2

Picc. 3

Picc. 4

Bsn. 3

Cbsn. 4

Tbn.

Tba.

3 Vln. I Soli

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vcl.

Cb.

possible To Fl. 2 Flute 2

possible

To Fl. 4 Flute 4

possible

(8)

3 7

3 7

7 3

5 7

5 7

5 7

B

This image shows a single page from a complex musical score for orchestra, specifically page 42. The score is arranged in multiple staves, each representing a different instrument or section of the orchestra. The instruments listed on the left side of the page are Picc. 1, Fl. 2, Picc. 3, Fl. 4, Ob. 1, Ob. 2, Ob. 3, E♭ Cl. 1, Vln. I, and Vln. II. The music itself consists of dense, multi-layered musical notation with various notes, rests, and rests. Dynamic markings are placed throughout the score, including 'pp' (pianissimo), 'mf' (mezzo-forte), 'p' (pianissimo), and 'ppp' (pianississimo). There are also performance instructions such as 'To Fl. 1' and 'To Fl. 3'. The score is written on a grid of five-line staves, with some staves having multiple staves stacked vertically. The overall appearance is that of a professional musical manuscript.

This image shows a page from a full orchestra score, specifically page 50. The score is arranged in a grid where each row represents a different instrument or section. From top to bottom, the instruments listed are: Flute 1, Flute 2, Flute 3, Flute 4, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, Oboe 3, Clarinet A, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Bassoon 3, Horn, C Tpt., Violin I, Violin II, Viola, and Cello. The music consists of multiple staves, each with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of common time (indicated by a 'C'). The score is filled with dense musical notation, including various note heads, stems, and beams. Dynamic markings such as fortissimo (ff), forte (f), mezzo-forte (mf), piano (p), and pianississimo (pp) are scattered throughout the page. There are also performance instructions like 'senza sord.' (without mute) and 'mf' (mezzo-forte). The overall layout is typical of a classical music score, with each instrument's part on its own staff.

A page from a full orchestra score, page 55. The score is arranged in a grid of staves, each representing a different instrument or section. The instruments listed on the left are Flute 1, Flute 2, Flute 3, Flute 4, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, Oboe 3, Clarinet 1, Clarinet 2, Clarinet 3, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Bassoon 3, Bassoon 4, Horn, C Trumpet, Tuba, Trombone, Bass Trombone, Violin 1, Violin 2, Viola, and Cello. The music consists of four systems of six measures each. The instrumentation varies across the systems, with some systems featuring woodwind entries and others featuring brass or strings. Dynamic markings include 'ff', 'fff', 'f', 'mf', and 'p'. Performance instructions like 'senza sord.' (without mute) and 'mf' are also present.

C

59

Ob. 1
Ob. 2
Ob. 3
Cl. 2
Cl. 3
B. Cl. 4
Bsn. 1
Bsn. 2
Bsn. 3
Cbsn. 4

Hn.
C Tpt.
Tbn.
Tbn.
Tba.

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

62

Ob. 1
Ob. 2
Ob. 3
Cl. 2
Cl. 3
B. Cl. 4
Bsn. 1
Bsn. 2
Bsn. 3
Cbsn. 4

C Tpt.

2 Vln. I Soli
Vln. I
2 Vln. II Soli
Vln. II
2 Vle. Soli
Vla.
2 Vc. Soli
Vc.
Cb.

64

Ob. 1
Ob. 2
Ob. 3
C. A.

2 Vln. I Soli
Vln. I
2 Vln. II Soli
Vln. II
2 Vle. Soli
Vla.
2 Vc. Soli
Vc.

66

Fl. 1
C. A.
E♭ Cl. 1
2 Vln. I Soli
2 Vln. II Soli
2 Vle. Soli
2 Vc. Soli
Vc.

70

Fl. 1
C. A.
Eb Cl. 1
Cl. 2
B. Cl. 4
2 Vln. I Soli
2 Vln. II Soli
2 Vle. Soli
2 Vc. Soli

73

Fl. 1
Fl. 2
Ob. 1
Ob. 2
C. A.
Cl. 2
B. Cl. 4
Bsn. 1
Cbsn. 4
Hn.
C Tpt.
Tbn.
Tbn.
Tba.
2 Vln. I Soli
2 Vln. II Soli
2 Vle. Soli
2 Vc. Soli

D

Musical score for orchestra, page 76:

- Fl. 1**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *p*.
- Fl. 2**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *p*.
- Fl. 3**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *pp*.
- Fl. 4**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *pp*.
- Ob. 1**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *pp*, *f*.
- Ob. 2**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *p*, *f*.
- Ob. 3**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *pp*, *f*.
- C. A.**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Cl. 2**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Cl. 3**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- B. Cl. 4**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Bsn. 1**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Bsn. 2**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Bsn. 3**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Cbsn. 4**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *p*, *mf*.
- Hn.**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- C Tpt.**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Tbn.**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Tbn.**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Tba.**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Vln. I**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- 2 Vln. II Soli**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *p*.
- Vln. II**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Vla.**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.
- Vc.**: Measures 76-80, dynamic *f*.

A page from a musical score for orchestra, page 80. The score includes parts for Flutes 1-4, Oboes 1-3, Clarinets 2-3, Bass Clarinet 4, Bassoon 1, Bassoon 2, Bassoon 3, Bassoon 4, Trombone, Tuba, Violin I, Violin II, Viola, and Cello. The music features complex rhythmic patterns and dynamic markings like ff and mf.

E

85

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Ob. 3

C. A.

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl. 4

Bsn. 1

Bsn. 2

Bsn. 3

Cbsn. 4

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Tbn.

Tba.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

89

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

Hn.

C Tpt.

Tbn.

Tba.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

93

Hn.
C Tpt.
Tbn.
Tba.
Vla.
Vc.
Cb.

97

Tbn.
Tba.
Vc.
Cb.

F

102

Tba.

Vc.

Cb.

This page contains three staves. The top staff is for the Tuba (Tba.), the middle for the Bassoon (Vc.), and the bottom for the Cello/Bass (Cb.). The music consists of sustained notes with various dynamics and performance instructions like '7' and '5' above the notes, and 'ppp' below them. The bassoon staff has a prominent section where it plays eighth-note patterns.

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109

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

B. Cl. 4

Bsn. 2

Bsn. 3

Cbsn. 4

Hn.

C Tpt.

Vc.

Cb.

This page contains eight staves. From top to bottom: Clarinet 2 (Cl. 2), Clarinet 3 (Cl. 3), Bassoon 4 (B. Cl. 4), Bassoon 2 (Bsn. 2), Bassoon 3 (Bsn. 3), Bassoon 4 (Cbsn. 4), Horn (Hn.), and Cornet (C Tpt.). The bassoon staves feature sustained notes with dynamics like 'pp', 'ppp', and 'mf'. The bassoon 4 staff includes a note '(con sord.)'. The cello/bass staff (Vc. and Cb.) shows sustained notes with dynamics like 'pp', 'ppp', and 'pp'.

115

C. A.

Eb Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

Bsn. 2

Bsn. 3

Cbsn. 4

C Tpt.

Vcl.

Cb.

G

121

Ob. 1

Ob. 3

C. A.

E♭ Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

Bsn. 2

Bsn. 3

Cbsn. 4

Vla.

Vcl.

Vc.

Cb.

126

Fl. 1

Fl. 2

Fl. 3

Fl. 4

Ob. 1

Ob. 2

Ob. 3

E♭ Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Cl. 3

Hn.

C Tpt.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

This block contains two pages of a musical score for orchestra, labeled 131 and 135.

Page 131: The score includes parts for Flute 1, Flute 2, Flute 3, Flute 4, Oboe 1, Oboe 2, Horn, C Trumpet, Violin I, and Violin II. The music consists of four measures. Dynamics include pp , p , ppp , 5 , and 3 . Measures 1-3 feature sustained notes with grace notes and slurs. Measure 4 shows more complex rhythmic patterns with eighth-note pairs and sixteenth-note figures.

Page 135: The score includes parts for Flute 1, Violin I, and Violin II. The music consists of eight measures. Dynamics include ppp , pp , ppp , pp , ppp , pp , ppp , and 5 . Measures 1-4 show sustained notes with grace notes. Measures 5-8 feature sixteenth-note patterns and sustained notes with grace notes.

