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ABOUT

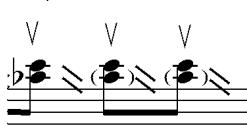
I wrote “Hightet” based on two old ideas I had for years. One is a direct association with the string instruments for me, as the violin player. I often joke, you can recognize violinist by his exhausted from the high frequencies look. Here I explore this very high and sometimes not very pleasant register of the instrument. Second idea I got when hearing composers Johannes Schöllhorn’s violin concerto, written inspired by the imaginative changing view which he sees when turning around his axis. The long continuous *glissando* in violin part was describing view of the sea and it created amazing effect on me - feeling of changing space and static time, and association with something continuous but monumental.

EXPLANATIONS

Duration c. 4'10" - 4'50"



Bended line up and down bow sign – short glissando up, with down bow.



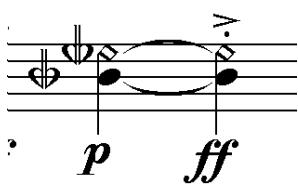
Two short lines down and up bow sign – short glissando with both notes downs, with up bow.

Notes in brackets – in this situation, exact pitch is not important, start short glissando with approximate pitch around marked notes

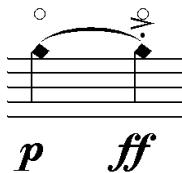
Flat sign other way round – quarter tone below natural pitch.



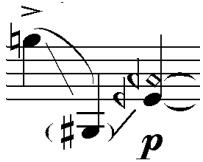
Sharp sign with one vertical line – quarter tone above natural pitch



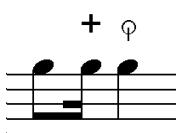
Two flat signs looking different ways – three quarter tones below natural pitch. In this situation – fourth harmonic three quartet tones below natural pitch.



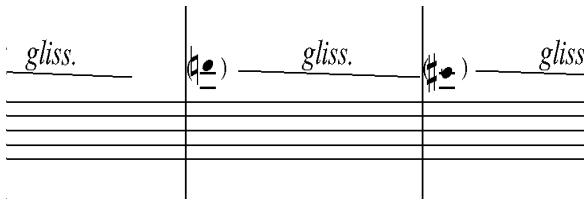
Diamond head and circle above note – play overtone on the marked pitch (pitch indicate finger position on the string, the harmonic might be very unclear clear, do not try to correct it).



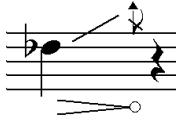
Note in bracket between glissando down and up –
pitch is approximate, do not stop on the note in bracket.



Cross above note – pizz. with left hand.
Circle with vertical line above note – Bartok pizz. or slap.



Notes in brackets in the long glissando down –
pass these pitches in the marked places with
stopping on them.



Triangle notehead – highest possible pitch in this situation.

Diminuendo with circle at the end – diminuendo to disappearing (no sound), same but opposite is for crescendo with circle at the beginning.



Acciacatura with accent at the end of the note –
play accent on the same bow at the very end of the duration of the previous note.

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$\text{♩} = 90$

Musical score page 2 for a string quartet. The score includes parts for Violin I, Violin II, Viola, and Violoncello. The key signature is A major (no sharps or flats). The time signature changes between common time (4/4) and 3/4. Dynamics include **f**, **p**, **ff p sub.**, and **molto sul pont.**. Articulations include slurs, grace notes, and accents. Measure 1 consists of eighth-note patterns. Measures 2-3 show sustained notes and sixteenth-note patterns. Measures 4-5 feature eighth-note chords. Measures 6-7 show eighth-note patterns again. Measures 8-9 conclude with eighth-note patterns.

A

Part A of the musical score for strings. The instrumentation includes Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., and Vc. The key signature is A major. The score features dynamic markings like **ff p sub.**, **ff**, and **ff**. Measures 1-2 show eighth-note patterns. Measures 3-4 show sustained notes and sixteenth-note patterns. Measures 5-6 feature eighth-note chords. Measures 7-8 conclude with eighth-note patterns.

Musical score page 7 for strings. The instrumentation includes Vln. I, Vln. II, Vla., and Vc. The key signature is A major. The score features dynamic markings like **p**, **ff p sub.**, **ff**, and **ff**. Articulations include slurs and grace notes. Measures 1-2 show eighth-note patterns. Measures 3-4 show sustained notes and sixteenth-note patterns. Measures 5-6 feature eighth-note chords. Measures 7-8 conclude with eighth-note patterns.

B

3

10 arco

Vln. I

Vln. II arco (8va)

Vla. arco (8va) 1

Vc. arco 3

8va - ff p sub. ff p sub.

molto sul pont.

p

13 (8)

Vln. I ff ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub.

Vln. II ff ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub.

Vla. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub.

Vc. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub.

20

Vln. I ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub.

Vln. II ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub.

Vla. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub. ff p sub.

Vc. ff p sub. ff p sub.

C

25

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

f

f

f

f

f

27

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

pizz.

pizz.

pizz.

pizz.

f

f

f

f

D arco

30

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

+ ♯

arco

arco

arco

p

p ffp sub.

molto sul pont.

p ffp sub. ffp

p

E

34

Vln. I *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ff*

Vln. II *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ff*

(8) *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ff*

Vla. *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ff*

Vc. *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ff*

ffp sub. *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ff*

(8) molto sul pont.

38

Vln. I *ffp sub.* *ff* *p sub.* *ff sub.* *p sub.*

Vln. II *p* *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ff p sub.* *ff sub.* *p*

Vla. *p* *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ff p sub.* *ff* *p ff p sub.* *ffp sub.*

Vc. *p* *ffsub.* *p* *ff p sub.* *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.*

p *ffsub.* *p* *ff p sub.* *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.* *ffp sub.*

41

Vln. I *f* *p sub.* *f*

Vln. II *f* *p sub.* *f*

Vla. *f* *f*

Vc. *f*

pizz. *fff* pizz. *fff* pizz. *fff* pizz.

F

44

Vln. I arco
Vln. II arco
Vla. arco
Vc. arco

pizz.
mf
pizz.
mf
pizz.
mf

46

Vln. I
Vln. II
Vla.
Vc.

G legato
arco

50

Vln. I f
Vln. II
Vla. ff
Vc.

51

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

52

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

54

H

sempre tenuto (unless indicated otherwise)

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

sempre tenuto (unless indicated otherwise)

sempre tenuto (unless indicated otherwise)

sempre tenuto (unless indicated otherwise)

ff
legato*

*Molto legato, change of bow should be inperceptible and there should be no sense of pulse whils glissando

59

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

f

3

63

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

ff

8va

legato*

legato*

(8)

66

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

I

legato*

(8)

69 Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

74

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

77

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

80

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

82

Vln. I Vln. II Vla. Vc.

mf *f* *f* *f*

gliss. \uparrow

f \circlearrowright

85

Vln. I Vln. II Vla. Vc.

f *f* *f* *f*

pizz. \uparrow

f \circlearrowright

f \circlearrowright

88

Vln. I Vln. II Vla. Vc.

f *f* *f* *f*

arco \uparrow

gliss. \uparrow

90

J

Vln. I: *mf* → *f* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p*
Vln. II: *mf* → *f* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p*
Vla.: *mf* → *f* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p*
Vc.: *f* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p*

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Vln. I: *=fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff*
Vln. II: *=fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff*
Vla.: *=fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff*
Vc.: *=fff* → *mp* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff*

96

Vln. I: *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff*
Vln. II: *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff*
Vla.: *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff*
Vc.: *mf* → *p* → *fff* → *p* → *fff* → *f* → *p* → *fff*