

**Petr Bakla**

# **SHIFT**

*for flute, English horn / oboe,  
bass clarinet and percussion*

(2011)

durata: 13:30

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## **Ensemble:**

**Flute**

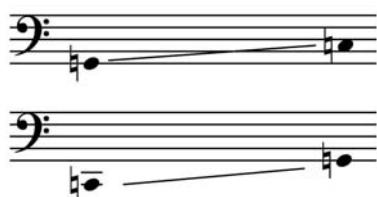
**English horn / Oboe**

**Bass clarinet** (in Bb, ranging down to written C)

**Percussion** (1 player):

2 kettle drums (Timp.)

minimum range:

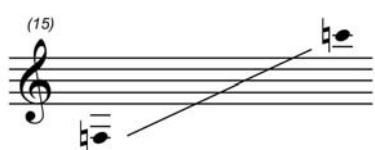


tubular bells (Camp.)



Glockenspiel (Glck.)

(no pedal required)



3 suspended cymbals (Cymb.)



1 – very large / dark crash

2 – (very) large crash with “sizzle” (delicate, continuous hiss, no “trashy” sound, please – nails around the perimeter rather than a chain are strongly recommended. Alternatively: a larger china cymbal.)

3 – medium crash

1 triangle

(medium sized)



Mallets:

2 soft timpani mallets

2 medium mallets (e.g. for vibraphone; suitable for use with tubular bells)

2 soft mallets (for cymbals)

2 rubber (“soft”) Glockenspiel mallets

2 hard Glockenspiel mallets

(the triangle is always to be played with wooden stem of a mallet)

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Score in C

Durata: 13:30

**Flute** = ca. 96

**English horn**

**Bass clarinet**

**Percussion<sup>\*)</sup>**

Cymb.  
soft timpani mallets for Cymb. and Timp.  
medium vibraphone mallets for Camp.

\*) Unless expressly indicated otherwise, let all instruments sound over  
(consider blocking the pedal of the bells and the Glockenspiel; where asked for, damp by hand / forearm).

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

6

3

pp

Camp.

ppp

A

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

11

*lightly tongued, tenuto* 7:8 4:8

*pp* *lightly tongued, tenuto* 7:8 4:8

*pp* *lightly tongued, tenuto* 7:8 4:8

11

Perc. < *pp* 4:8 4:8

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

15

7:8 4:8 7:8 4:8 3 4:8 4:8

*ff*

7:8 5 7:8 4:8 4:8

7:8 3 7:8 4:8 4:8

mp >

15

4:8 3 4:8 3 4:8 4:8

Perc. 4:8 4:8

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

18

7:8 4:8 *mp* *ff* 7:8 4:8 *pp* 7:8 4:8 *p* 7:8 4:8 *pp*

7:8 5 7:8 4:8 *fff* 7:8 4:8 *pp*

7:8 4:8 *pp* 7:8 4:8 *pp* 7:8 4:8 <>

18

7:8 4:8 *pp* 7:8 4:8 *pp* 7:8 4:8 *pp* 7:8 4:8 *pp*

Perc. 4:8 3 4:8 4:8

B

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

21 7:8 7:8 7:8 7:8 f pp

pp 7:8 7:8 5 fff mf pp 7:8

21 3 2:1 4:8 pp 2:1 4:8 ppp

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

24 7:8 7:8 7:8 7:8 7:8 ff pp

7:8 5 7:8 5 ff pp

24 3 4 4 4 4:8 4 4:8

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

27 7:8 7:8 7:8 7:8 3

7:8 7:8 7:8 7:8 3

7:8 7:8 7:8 7:8 3

27 4:8 3 ppp 2:1 4:8

Musical score for Flute (Fl.), English Horn (E.h.), Bassoon (B.Cl.), and Percussion (Perc.). The score consists of five systems of music.

**System 1 (Measures 30-33):** The Flute, English Horn, and Bassoon play eighth-note patterns in 7:8 time. The Percussion part consists of sustained notes and short strokes.

**System 2 (Measures 30-33):** The Percussion part continues with sustained notes and short strokes. A dynamic marking *pppp* is shown at the end of this section.

**System 3 (Measures 34-37):** The Flute, English Horn, and Bassoon play eighth-note patterns in 7:8 time. The Percussion part consists of sustained notes and short strokes. Measure 34 ends with a dynamic *mp*. Measures 35-36 end with dynamics *pp*. Measure 37 ends with a dynamic *pp*.

**System 4 (Measures 34-37):** The Percussion part continues with sustained notes and short strokes. Measure 34 ends with a dynamic *pp*.

**System 5 (Measures 39-42):** The Flute, English Horn, and Bassoon play eighth-note patterns with grace notes. The Percussion part consists of sustained notes and short strokes.

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

Fl. *f* 7:8 *fff* *p* *f*

E.h. *f* 7:8 *fff* *p* 7:8 *f*

B.Cl. *f* 7:8 *ffff* *mf* 7:8 *f*

Perc. *mp* *ppp* *p* *Camp.* *mp*

Fl. 7:8 *p* *f* 7:8 *mf* *f* < *fff*

E.h. 7:8 *p* *f* 7:8 *mp* *ffff* 7:8 *f*

B.Cl. 7:8 *p* *f* 7:8 *p* *ffff* 7:8 *f*

Perc. *p* *Timp.* *pp* *mp* *mp*

Fl. 3 7:8 *f* 7:8 *p* 7:8 *f* *ffff*

E.h. 3 7:8 *f* 7:8 *p* 7:8 *f* *ffff*

B.Cl. 3 7:8 *f* 7:8 *p* 7:8 *f* *ffff*

Perc. 3 *pp* 4 7:8 *p* *Camp.* *mf*

Fl. 66 7:8 f

E.h. 7:8 5 p mp

B.Cl. 7:8 5 p f

Perc. 66 3 dome (always with camp. mallet) 5 ord.

Fl. 69 7:8 fff

E.h. 7:8 3+1 5 p f

B.Cl. 7:8 3+1 5 p mf f

Perc. 69 4 3+1 4 8 4 8 4 8 pp dome 7:8 mp

Fl. 72 5 p f

E.h. 7:8 2+1 5 ff p f

B.Cl. 7:8 2+1 5 p f

Perc. 72 2+1 4 8 Timp. ord. damp e<sup>b</sup> and f<sup>#</sup> 2+1 4 8 mp

H

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

76

*f* *mp* *pp*

*f* *mp* *p*

*f* *mp* *p*

dome

*ppp* *Camp.* *7:8*

*pp*

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

80

*fff* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p*

*fff* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p*

*fff* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p*

dome

*pp* *Timp.* *ppp*

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

83

*f* *mp* *fff* *mf* *f* *p* *f*

*f* *p* *fff* *mf* *fff* *p* *f*

*f* *p* *fff* *mf* *fff* *p* *f*

*ord.* *Camp.* *mf*

*p* *ppp* *pp* *p*

Fl. 87 *p f* E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

Fl. 87 *p* E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

Fl. 87 *mf* E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

**Timp.** *pp* *mp* *p* at center *pppp*

Fl. 91 E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

Fl. 91 *p* E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

Fl. 91 *pp* *p*

Fl. 95 *mp* E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

frull. *p* (ord.) fl. frull. (ord.) fl. relaxed

*ffff* *p* *pp* damp cymbal relaxed

95 *ppp* ord. dome ord.

(let sound while retuning) *ppp*

J 5

K 5

dome ord.

Fl. *mf* *pp*

E.h.

B.Cl. *mp* *ppp* *pp*

Perc. *pp*

(vibraphone mallets no longer necessary)

Fl. *mf* *pp*

E.h. *mf* *pp*

B.Cl. *mf* *pp*

Perc. *sordi*  
(soft cymbal mallets ad lib.)

Fl. *mf*

E.h. *mf* *pp*

B.Cl. *mf* *pp*

Perc. *pppp*

Fl. *mf*

E.h. *mf* *pp*

B.Cl. *mf* *pp*

Perc. *mf*

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Fl. 119 *pp* *mf* *pp*

E.h. *mf* *pp* *mf*

B.Cl. *mf* *pp*

Perc.

**M**

Fl. 119 *pp*

E.h. *pp*

B.Cl. *pp*

Perc. *pppp*

**N**

Fl. *mf*

E.h. *mf* *pp*

B.Cl. *pp* *mf*

Perc. senza sord. *ppp*

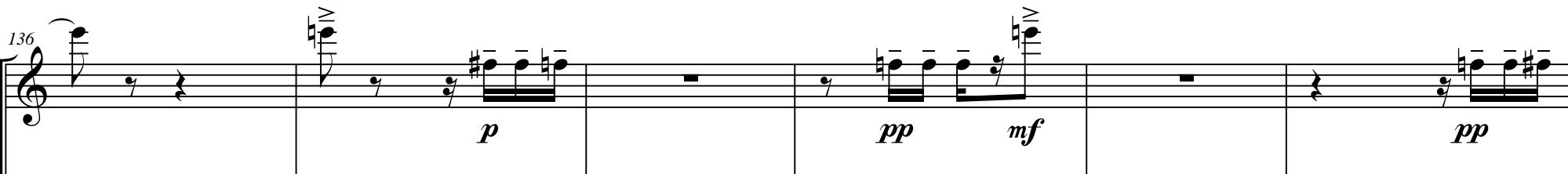
Fl. *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf*

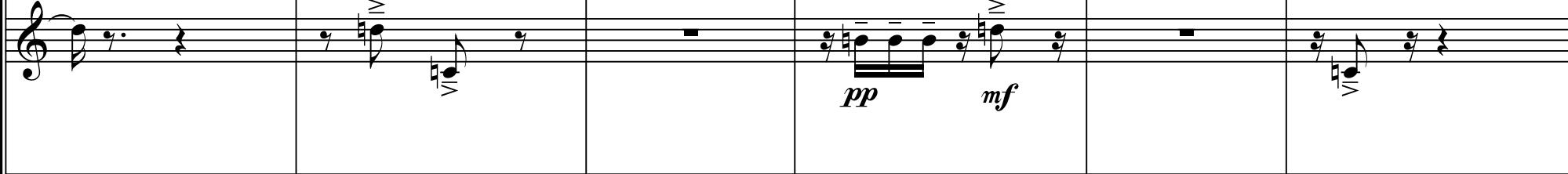
E.h. *mf* *pp* *mf*

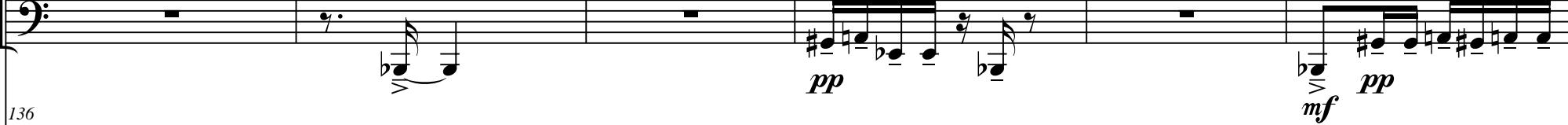
B.Cl. *mf*

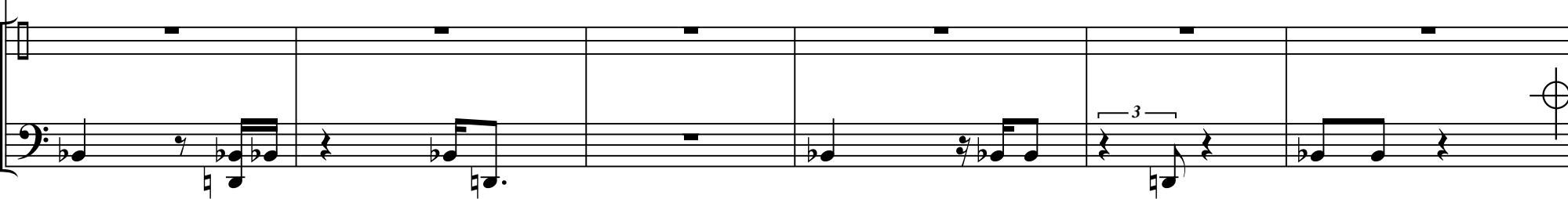
Perc.

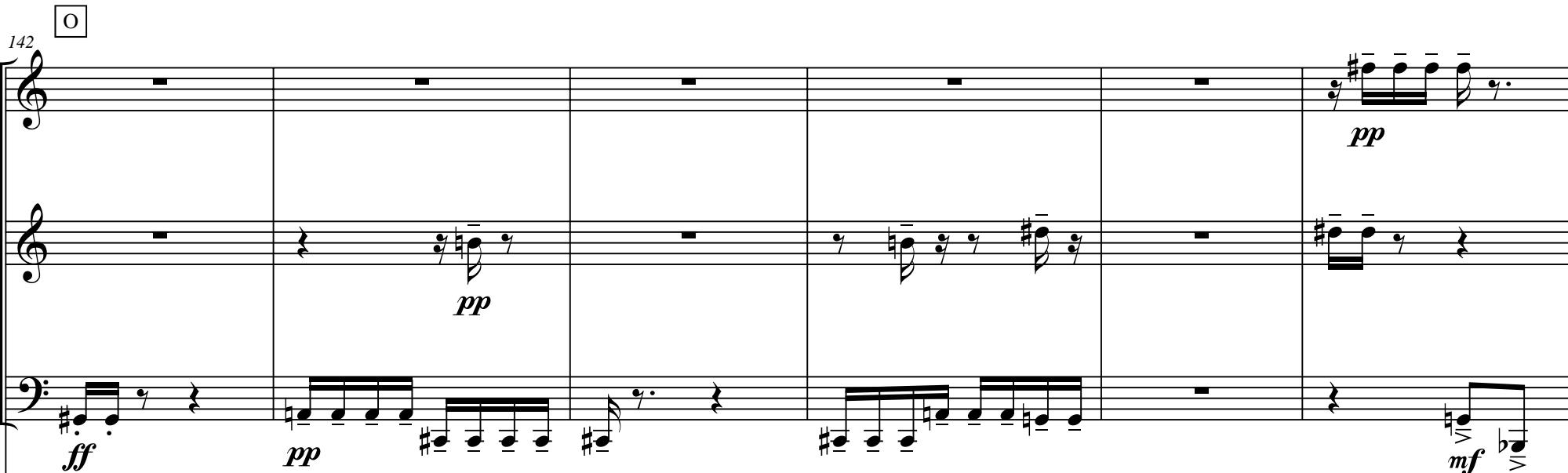
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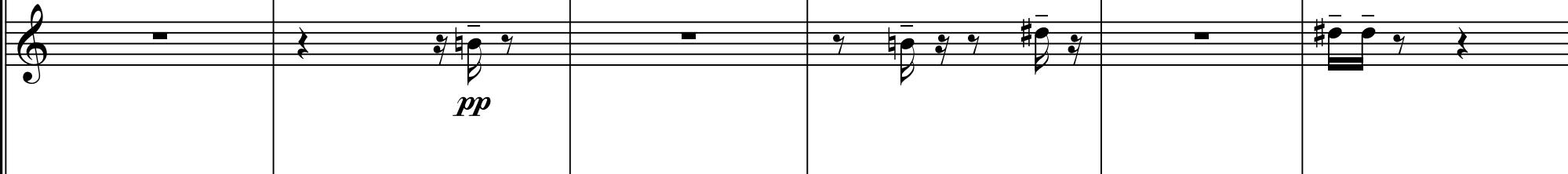
Fl. 136 

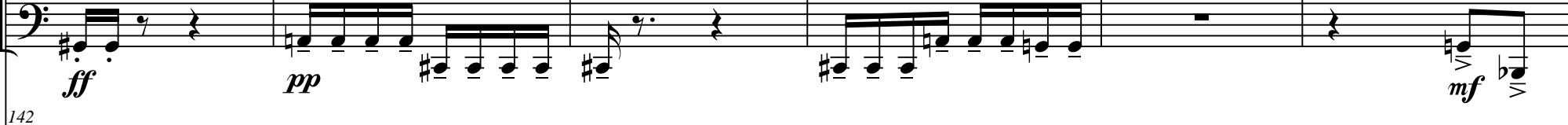
E.h. 

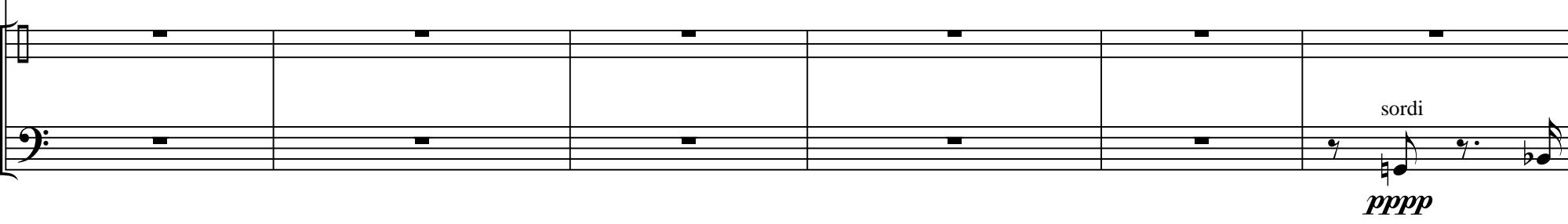
B.Cl. 136 

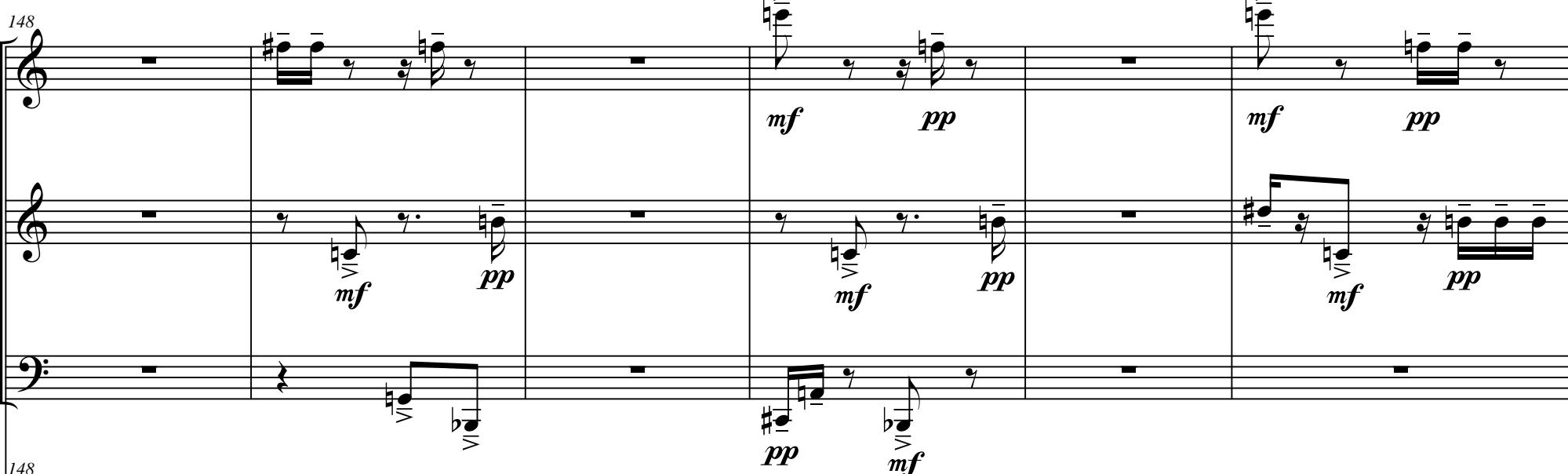
Perc. 

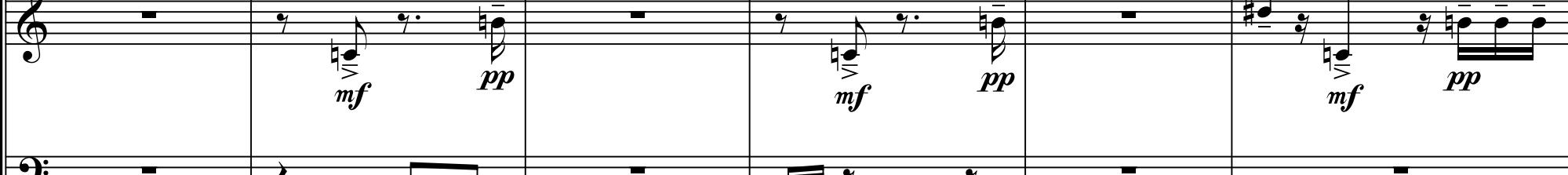
Fl. 142 

E.h. 

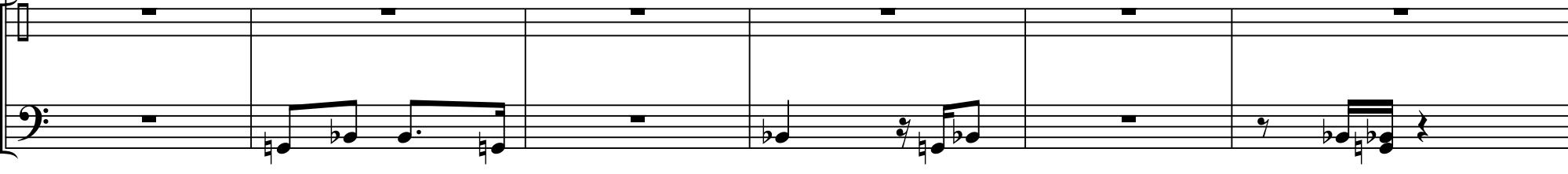
B.Cl. 142 

Perc. 

Fl. 148 

E.h. 

B.Cl. 148 

Perc. 

Fl. 154 *mf* *pp*

E.h.

B.Cl. *pp* *mf* *pp*

Perc.

**=**

Fl. 160 **P** *pp* *mf* *mf* *mf*

E.h. *pp* *mf* *mf*

B.Cl. *mf* *mf*

Triangle  
play with the wooden stem of the timp. mallet; "meccanico"

Perc. *pp*

**=**

Fl. 166 *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *pp*

E.h.

B.Cl. *pp* *mf* *pp*

Perc.

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

172

mf

pp

mf

pp

172

pp

178

Q

pp

mf

mf

pp

178

pp

mf

pp

(E $\sharp$  → G $\sharp$ )  
(G $\sharp$  → B $\flat$ )

184

f

(senza dim.)

184

with fingertips, secco  
rather close to center (dark)

mp

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

191

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

191

R

senza crescendo / senza diminuendo sempre

— 5 —

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

197

*ppp*

senza crescendo / senza diminuendo sempre

— 5 —

*ppp*

senza crescendo / senza diminuendo sempre

— 5 —

*ppp*

197

4:5

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

203

slightly sharp (less than a 1/4 tone)

5

*ppp*

*ppp*

*fff*

*pp*

203

(let resonate)

secco

*percussion markings*

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

209 in tune S slightly sharp in tune

*p* *ppp*

*fff*

with fingernail

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

215 lunga *pp*

lunga *f*

lunga *ppp*

lunga

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

222 *f* T *ppp* *pp*

*ppp* *pp*

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

222

Musical score for Flute (Fl.), English Horn (E.h.), and Bassoon (B.Cl.) at measure 229. The score consists of three staves. The Flute staff shows a melodic line with dynamic markings *ppp*, *fff*, and *ppp*. The English Horn staff has a sustained note with a dynamic *ppp*. The Bassoon staff shows a melodic line with dynamic markings *ppp*, *fff*, *ppp*, and *ppp*. Measure 229 concludes with a repeat sign and a double bar line.

Musical score for Flute (Fl.), English Horn (E.h.), Bassoon (B.Cl.), and Percussion (Perc.). The score is in 2/4 time, key signature is A major (no sharps or flats). The tempo is 236 BPM.

The score consists of four staves:

- Flute (Fl.):** Starts with a rest, followed by a note with a sharp. Dynamics: *p*, *ppp*.
- English Horn (E.h.):** Starts with a rest, followed by a note with a sharp. Dynamics: *ppp*, *pp*, *ppp*.
- Bassoon (B.Cl.):** Starts with a rest, followed by a note with a sharp. Dynamics: *f*, *ppp*.
- Percussion (Perc.):** Consists of a series of eighth-note patterns.

Performance instructions include:  
- "U" in a box above the Flute staff.  
- "slightly sharp" with an arrow pointing up above the first note of the Flute staff.  
- "in tune" with an arrow pointing up above the second note of the Flute staff.

Fl. 243

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

V

7:8

f

slightly sharp

in tune

fff

5

ppp

poco

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

250

**W**

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

250

Perc.

257

**X**

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

257

Perc.

264

**Y**

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

264

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

264

Fl. 270

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

270

Perc.

277 [Z]

Fl.

Ob.

B.Cl.

Take breath ad lib., not simultaneously with flute.

277 Cymb.  
soft mallets

Perc.

283 AA

Fl.

Ob.

B.Cl.

Oboe  
"anti-pastorale solo" -- rough, dirty sound  
frull.

(ord.)

*p*

*f*

*mp*

283

Perc.

Detailed description: The musical score is divided into five systems. System 1 (Measures 270-275) features Flute, English Horn, Bassoon, and Percussion. It includes markings like '7:8' time signature, 'mf', 'lunga', 'slightly sharp', and dynamics 'ppp'. System 2 (Measure 270) shows Percussion with 'lunga' markings. System 3 (Measures 277-282) features Flute, Oboe, and Bassoon. It includes a dynamic 'p' and a note instruction 'Take breath ad lib., not simultaneously with flute.' System 4 (Measure 277) shows Percussion with 'Cymb. soft mallets' and 'Camp. with the wooden stem' markings. System 5 (Measures 283-288) features Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, and Percussion. The Oboe part is described as 'anti-pastorale solo' with 'rough, dirty sound' and 'frull.' markings. Dynamics include 'ord.', 'f', and 'mp'.

289

Fl. Ob. B.Cl.

poco a poco frull.  
(ord.)

289

Perc.

mp

BB

Fl. Ob. B.Cl.

ff f mf p mp

("bottom-top shaking")

Timp. senza sord; with fingertips, as dense as poss., at center

mf

301

Fl. Ob. B.Cl.

take English horn  
ossia:  
any pitch above c<sup>♯</sup>

301

ppp

(senza dim.)

307

Fl. E.h. B.Cl.

CC

slightly sharp

307

Perc.

dome  
with the wooden stem

313

Fl. E.h. B.Cl.

in tune

(mellow, balanced sound)

**pp**

313

Perc.

Camp.  
(as before)

**ppp**

320

Fl. E.h. B.Cl.

DD

**mp**

**p**  $\geq$  **ppp**      **ppp**

320

Perc.

ord.  
soft mallets

damp cymbals abruptly



Fl. 345 *sfffz* *mf* *ff* *mf*

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc. 345 *ffff* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *f* *mf* *mp*

Cymb. *p* Glck. Camp. *mp sempre*  
(*poco più*) - - - - -

Fl. 351 *mp* *pp* *ff* *mp* *pp* *mp* *pp* *ff*

E.h.

B.Cl. *pp* *mp* *f* *mp* *f* *mp* *pp* *f* *mp*

Perc. 351 dome with Glck. mallet *ppp* *p*

Fl. 357 *pp* *mf* *mp* *mp* *mf*

E.h.

B.Cl. *mf* *mp* *mf* *ffff*

Perc. 357 *N.B.*

II

363

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

Perc.

*slap tongue (well pitched)*

*mp*

*slap tongue (well pitched)*

*mp*

*ord. soft mallet*

*(soft mallet no longer necessary)*

*p* (= audible, but in the background)

369

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

*slap tongue (well pitched)*

*f*

*mp*

369

Perc.

*Glock.*  
with one hand

*pp*

*4:5*

*4:5*

*4:5*

374

Fl.

E.h.

B.Cl.

*quasi stacc. ordinario*

*f*

*quasi stacc. ordinario*

*f*

*4:5*

*4:5*

*4:5*

*4:5*

*mf*

379

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

379 4:5 4:5 4:5 4:5 4:5

Perc. l. h.

384 KK

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

\*) The dash-slurred repeated sixteenths in *pp* are not meant to be very articulated, play them almost like a "shivering" held note: light tenuto tonguing, air pressure accents, bisbigliando etc. -- switch techniques ad lib. or even simply tie the notes occasionally.

384 4:5 4:5 4:5 4:5

both hands

388

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

fff pp fff pp fff pp

ff mf pp

p

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

392 LL

393 ppp almost inaudible

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

396

fff pp ffff pp ffff pp

396

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

400

400

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

**404** MM

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

**404**

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

**408**

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

**408**

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

**412** NN

Fl. E.h. B.Cl. Perc.

**412**



428

Fl.

Ob.

B.Cl.

Perc.

take oboe

428

Perc.

take a pair of hard Glockenspiel mallets  
(keep the rubber ones as well)

432

Fl.

Ob.

B.Cl.

Perc.

*fff*      *pp*      *fff*      *pp*

Oboe

*ppp*      *p*

*fff*      *pp*

432

Perc.

436

Fl.

Ob.

B.Cl.

Perc.

*fff*      *pp*

*p semper*

*fff*      *pp*

+ = hard mallet  
o = rubber mallet

*p*      *#*      +

Please make sure that the difference is primarily in tone colour rather than dynamics.

440

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

*ffff pp*

440

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

*ffff pp*

444

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

*ffff pp f p pp pp*

444

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

*ffff pp pp p*

448

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

*pp p pp*

448

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

*pp pp*

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

452 Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

RR

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

452 Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

456 Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

456 Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

460 Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

460 Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

Fl. *ffff pp* ss

Ob. *pp* *mf*

B.Cl. *ffff pp*

Perc. *pp* *mf*

**Fl.** *ffff pp* *ffff pp* *ffff pp*

**Ob.** *ppp*

**B.Cl.** *ffff pp* *pp fff pp*

**Perc.** damp B♭ only *p*

**Fl.** *ffff pp* *ffff pp*

**Ob.** *mp*

**B.Cl.** *ffff pp* *ffff pp*

**Perc.** *p*

**Fl.** *ffff pp*

**Ob.**

**B.Cl.**

**Perc.**

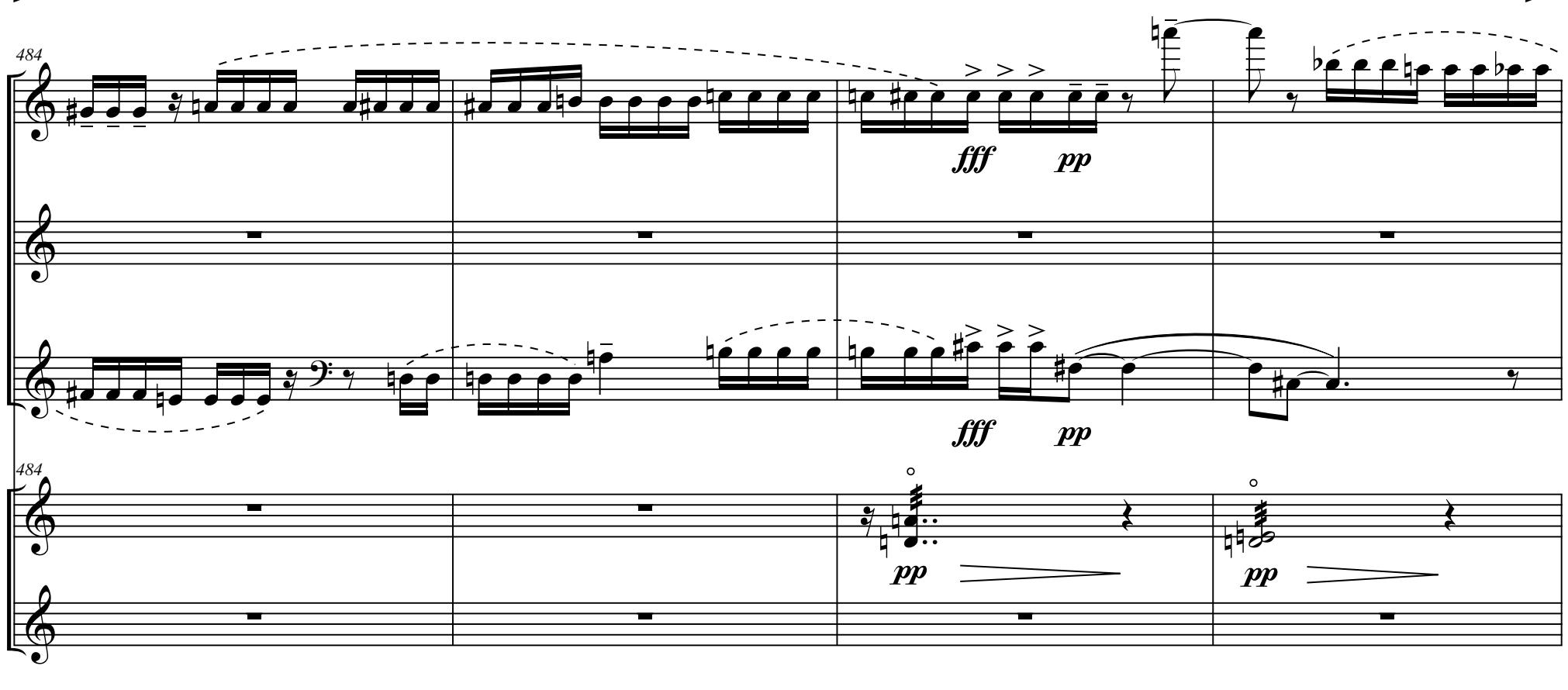
Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

476 

**Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.**

480 

**Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.**

484 

Fl. Ob. B.Cl.

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

rubber mallets (damp c<sup>#</sup> only)

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

WW

p < pp leggero pp leggero

Camp.  
with rubber Glck. mallets

Fl. Ob. B.Cl. Perc.

hard mallets pppp

Fl. 502

Ob.

B.Cl.

Perc.

Fl. 502

Ob.

B.Cl.

Perc.

Fl. 506

Ob.

B.Cl.

Perc.

XX

rubber mallets

p

Fl. 513

Ob.

B.Cl.

Perc.

pp

p

damp c# and d#