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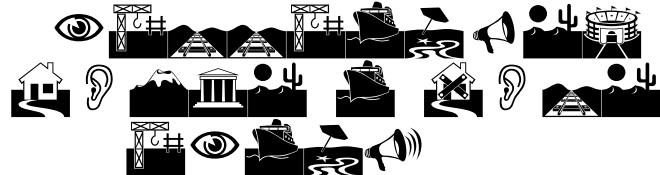
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NARRATIVES

for Violin solo

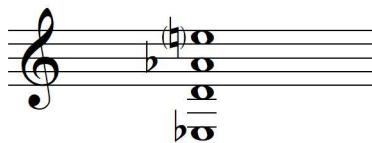
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'NARRATIVE I' - SPECIFICATIONS

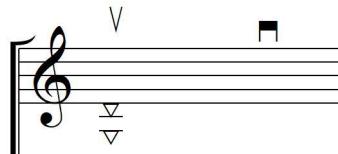
- Scordatura:



- A.S.P. = Alto sul ponticello (really close to the bridge, almost on the bridge)

- Dashed lines (-----) mean gradual change of bow position; continuous lines require keeping same position.

- Notes with triangle noteheads:



they require a lighter than normal weight of the bow, combined with a higher bow speed, in the manner of flautando. But, contrary to flautando, this bow technique is asked in the score together with A.S.P. (on the bridge bowing). This effect, when used on the lowest (IV) string, which is heavily detuned to Eb, should result to a sort of multiphonic sound.

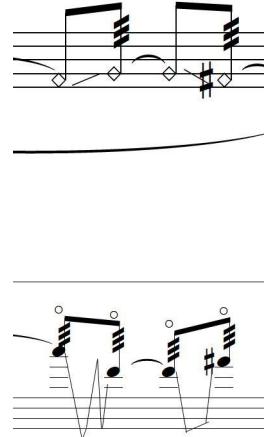
- Notes with diamond-shaped noteheads:



they require light touch of the L.H. in the way of producing harmonics.

- Written glissandi with light touch result to different gliss. curves in the "sounding line".

These curves aim to approximate the phenomenon of high pitched "passing harmonics" between the non harmonic notes.



- Left hand pizzicato notes are indicated with a '+'

Narrative I

[Violin solo]

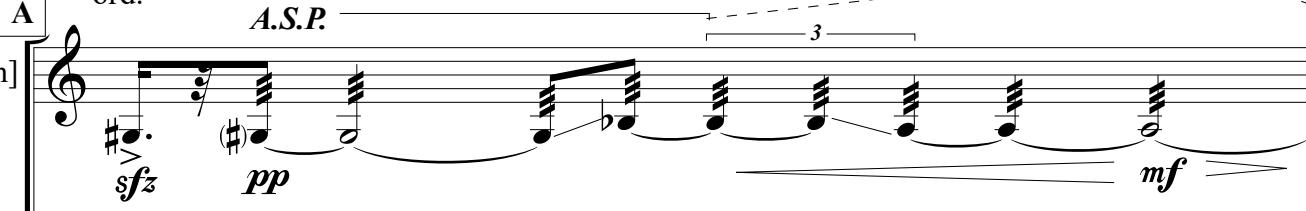
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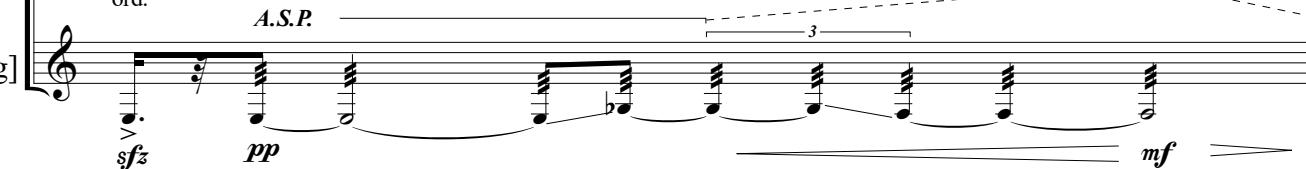
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$\text{♩} = 66$

ord.

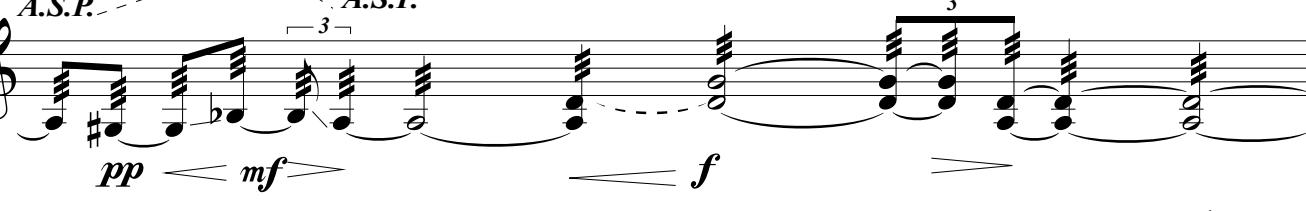
A

[Written] 

[Sounding] 

ord.

A.S.P. ord. *A.S.P.* 3 ord.

[Wr.] 

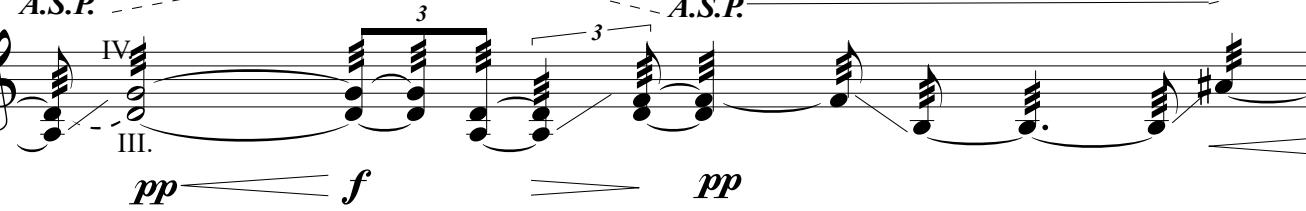
ord.

A.S.P. ord. *A.S.P.* 3 ord.

[Sound.] 

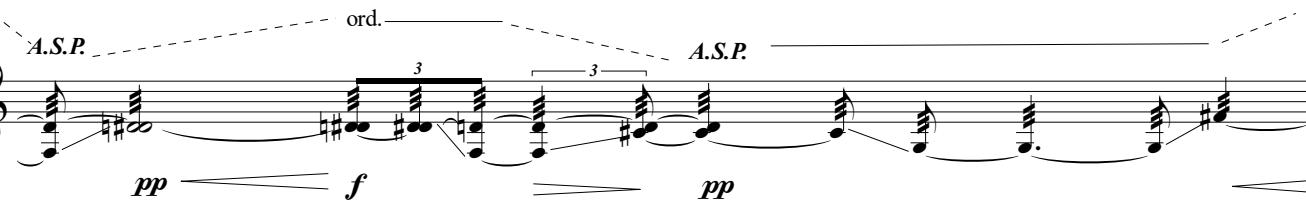
ord.

A.S.P. ord. *A.S.P.* 3 ord. *A.S.P.*

[Wr.] 

ord.

A.S.P. ord. *A.S.P.* 3 ord. *A.S.P.*

[Sound.] 

Narrative I

ord.

[Wr.] *IV.* *A.S.P.*

[Sound.] *IV.* *A.S.P.*

[A.S.P.]

[Wr.] *pp* *mp* *pp* *sfp pp*

[A.S.P.]

[Sound.] *pp* *mp* *pp* *sfp pp*

[Wr.] *sfz pp f*

[Sound.] *sfz pp f*

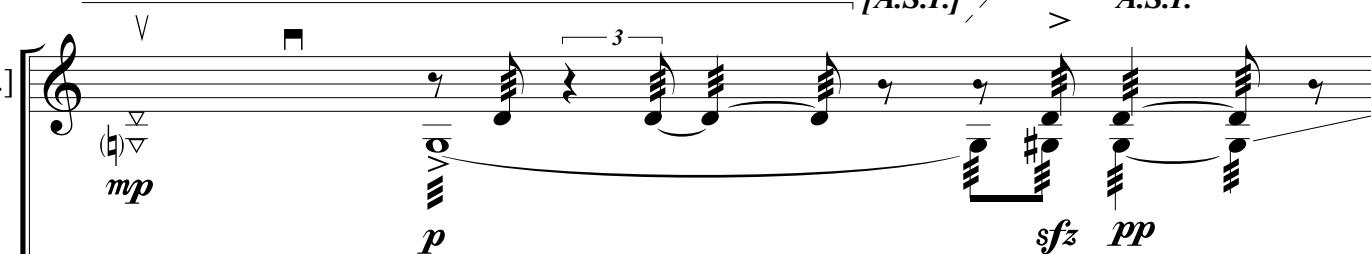
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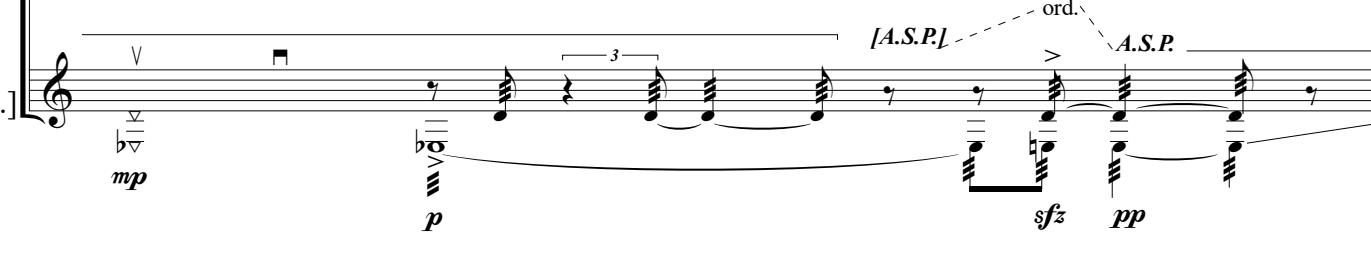
B

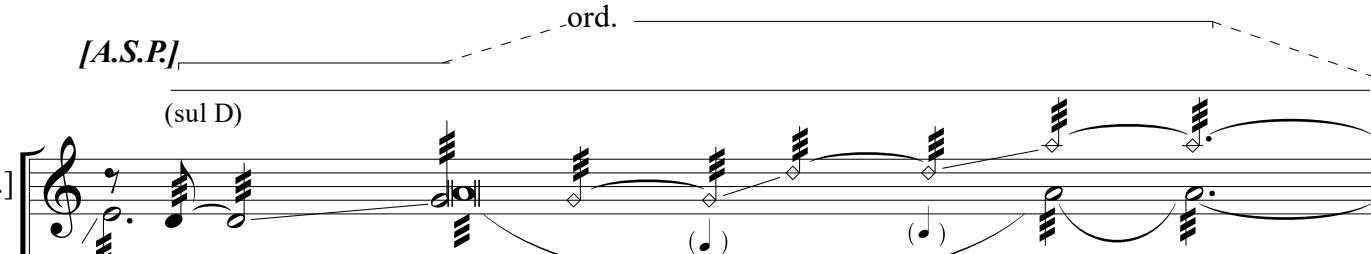
[A.S.P.]

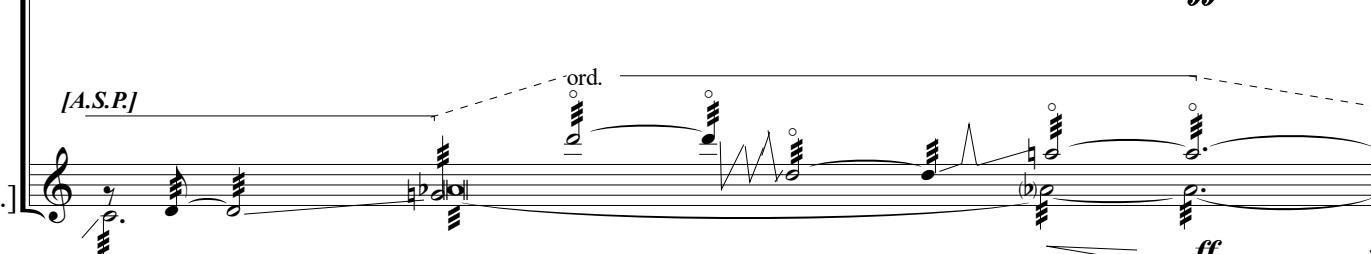
[Wr.] 

[Sound.] 

[Wr.] 

[Sound.] 

[A.S.P.] ord. 

[Sound.] 

Narrative I

A.S.P.

(sul D) light touch gliss.

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

A.S.P.

[A.S.P.]

ord.

[Wr.]

[A.S.P.]

ord.

[Sound.]

A.S.P.

C

[A.S.P.]

[Wr.]

[A.S.P.]

[Sound.]

Narrative I

[A.S.P.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

mf

f

ord.

mf

f

A.S.P.

[Wr.]

pp

mf

ord.

A.S.P.

[Sound.]

pp

mf

ord.

D

mf

L.H.
pizz

sim.

A.S.P.

[Wr.]

pp

mf

L.H.
pizz

sim.

A.S.P.

[Sound.]

pp

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Narrative I

[A.S.P.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

Narrative I

ord. _____

pp
(a la punta)

[A.S.P.]

[Sound.]

ord. _____

pp
(a la punta)

[ord.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

mf

[ord.]

[Sound.]

mf

A.S.P.

[Wr.]

p

A.S.P.

[Sound.]

p

pppp

pppp

Narrative I

E ord.

[Wr.] III.
IV. (.)

pp

ord.

[Sound.] pp

This section of the score begins with a dynamic of **pp**. The violin part (Wr.) consists of sustained notes and grace notes. The sound part (Sound.) features complex, jagged patterns of notes and rests. The music is in common time, indicated by a 'C' symbol.

[ord.]

[Wr.]

[ord.]

[Sound.]

This section continues the musical dialogue between the violin and sound parts, maintaining the **pp** dynamic and common time signature.

A.S.P.

Behind the bridge on the tailpiece Behind the bridge A.S.P.

[Wr.]

A.S.P.

Behind the bridge on the tailpiece Behind the bridge A.S.P.

[Sound.]

The final section of the score includes labels "A.S.P." and descriptive text "Behind the bridge" and "on the tailpiece" positioned above the staves. The music concludes with a dynamic of **pp**.

Narrative I

[A.S.P.] Behind the bridge on the tailpiece Behind the bridge A.S.P.

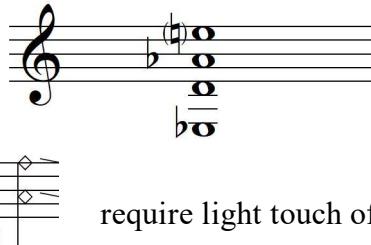
[A.S.P.] Behind the bridge on the tailpiece Behind the bridge A.S.P.

[Wr.] on the tailpiece niente

[Sound.] on the tailpiece niente

'NARRATIVE II' - SPECIFICATIONS

- Scordatura (same as in "Narrative I"):

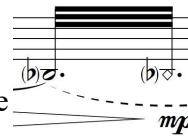


- Notes with diamond-shaped noteheads require light touch of the L.H. in the way of producing harmonics.

- A technique of "left hand tremolo" is extensively used in this piece:

It indicates a very fast, tremolo-like, alternation between normal pressure of the left hand and light touch in the way of producing harmonics.

It is important to note that the tremolo takes place only on the left hand: no bowing tremolo should be applied here; the right hand is using the bow in a continuous manner, as done for a tenuta. As long as the tremolo remains on the same L.H. position, it should be perceived as just one note, constantly varied within in terms of timbre, a sort of "bisbigliando" technique.



- This same technique of L.H. tremolo is also called for in double stops during the piece:

In the example shown on the side, the upper line indicates the position, whereas the line below shows the actual pitches heard (taking account of the scordatura, as well as the harmonics produced at these positions).



Dashed lines are crossed with each other, due to the fact that

the higher A is the pitch produced by touching the lower A (string II); but on E position there is a non harmonic note (string III is on scordatura A-flat).

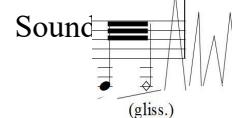
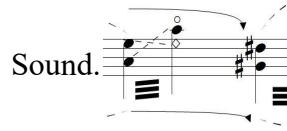
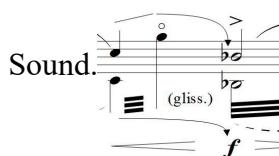
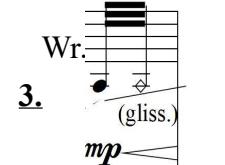
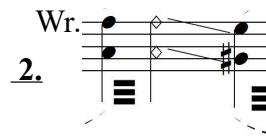
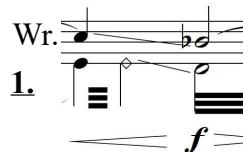


- A similar idea of a L.H. tremolo between light touched and open strings is applied in another section of this piece. It is even combined with a glissando, which should be conceived as an interrupted sliding gesture, constantly moving on the horizontal plane, while vertically the L.H. has to be moving up and down, light-touching and leaving open the string in a fast alternation. Again, this is a L.H. only tremolo; the right hand is using the bow in a continuous manner.



p

- In some cases, glissandi are indicated on the "sounding" line with a curve, like shown in the following examples 1 and 2:



This is the result of 2 factors: while a glissando is executed in terms of left hand position,

- a) the light touch of the left hand produces a harmonic on a higher note, which makes practically impossible the notation of a straight glissando line from one note position to the next.
- b) a light touch glissando results to a non straight actual pitch curve, but mostly to an irregular pitch curve through high pitched harmonics alternating with non harmonic notes. The latter is notated with less detail when there are double stop - L.H. tremoli, in an attempt to keep the notation more legible.

When single note - L.H. tremoli are required, a more detailed approach with a crooked line is applied, as in these cases the impression of this notation appears less complicated (see example 3).

Narrative II

[Violin solo]

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A $\text{♩} = 80$

[Written] [Sounding] [Wr.] [Sound.] [Wr.] [Sound.]

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Narrative II

3

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

Narrative II

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

B

III.

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

Narrative II

5

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

non vibrato

[Sound.]

ppp

C

non vibrato

III.

IV.

pp

6

III.

IV.

6

Narrative II

27

[Wr.] *sempre pp*

[Sound.] *sempre pp* (gloss.)

29 6

[Wr.] *f* *mp*

[Sound.] *f* *mp*

30 6

[Wr.] *sub. f* *sub. p*

[Sound.] *sub. f* *sub. p*

Narrative II

7

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

Narrative II

D

[Wr.] [Sound.]

f *mp* **f** *mp*

f *mp* **f** *mp* **f**

f *mp* **f** *mp* **f**

[Wr.] [Sound.]

f *mp* **f** *mp* **f** *mp* **f**

[Wr.] [Sound.]

f *mp* **f** *mp* **f** *mp* **f**

[Wr.] [Sound.]

f *mp* **f** *mp* **f** *mp* **f**

** Only one finger of the L.H. may be used in this light touch - double stop in fifths*

[Wr.] [Sound.]

Narrative II

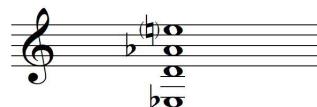
[Wr.] [Sound.]

[Wr.] [Sound.]

[Wr.] [Sound.]

'NARRATIVE III' - SPECIFICATIONS

- Scordatura (same for all "Narratives"):



- The following accidentals indicate 1/4 tone shifts: ♮ ♯ ♯

- Accidentals are valid for the whole measure, unless if cancelled or changed in the course (this applies also for 1/4 tone accidentals).

- Diamond shaped noteheads (both empty and filled) stand for light touch of the L.H., however **with more pressure than the way of producing harmonics** (but still without stopping strings).
- Large part of the piece calls for sul tasto position (make sure it is rather advanced on the fingerboard). Sul ponticello should also be positioned really close to the bridge.
- Large part of the piece uses col legno bowing, combined with sul tasto position. When 'col legno tratto' is used, the bow is to be rather light, close to flautando mode. However, the weight of the bow must be carefully adjusted in such a way that the pitch is recognized, although higher harmonics might not be totally avoided.

Narrative III

[Violin solo]

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$\text{♩} = 56$

*col legno tratto
sul tasto*

A

[Written]

[Sounding]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

Narrative III

3

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

Narrative III

B

[Wr.] II. III. IV.

[Sound.] II. III. IV.

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

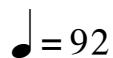
*Normal bowing side (stop col legno)
(sempre sul tasto e flautando)*

[Wr.] (◊) II. ♡ III. **p**

[Sound.] (◊) II. ♡ III. **p**

[Wr.] 8va- I. ♪ pp

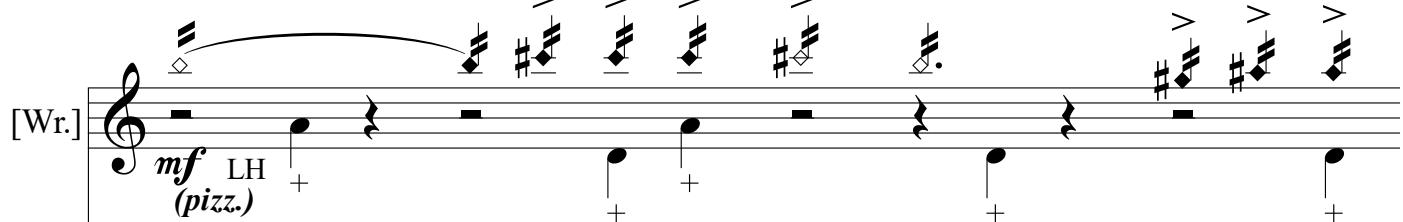
[Sound.] 8va- I. ♪ pp

C**Piu Mosso**

Punta d'arco

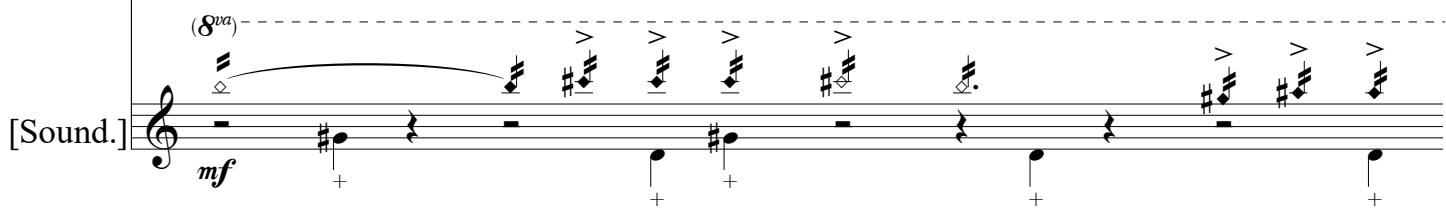
Increased bow pressure
(sempre sul tasto)

*(8^{va})

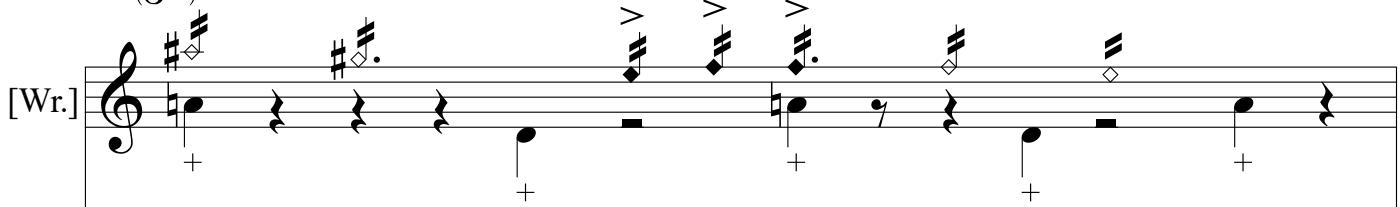
[Wr.]


(8^{va})

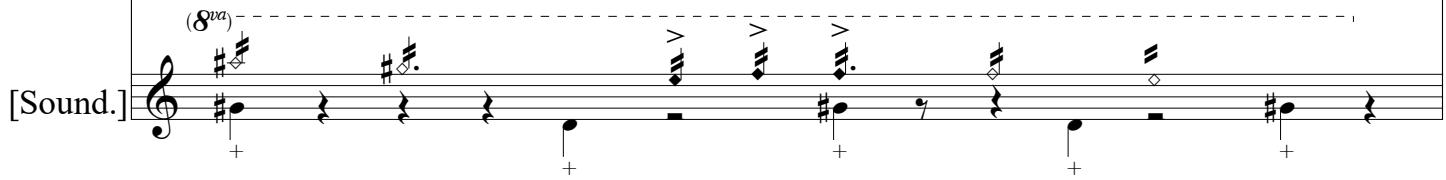
[Sound.]


(8^{va})

[Wr.]


(8^{va})

[Sound.]



III.

[Wr.]

IV. *sempre*
pp



III.

[Sound.]

IV. *sempre*
pp



*8va applies to the upper layer (the low layer uses open strings D and A (scord.G#)

Narrative III

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

D**Meno Mosso** $\text{♩} = 63$

Normal bowing side *col legno*
 (grad. move to) *Normal bow pressure*

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

Narrative III

7

Jetté

40

[Wr.] *mf*

[Sound.] *mf*

41

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

Jetté

43

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

Narrative III

Jetté

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

45

46

II.

III.

II.

III.

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

46

46

*Normal bowing side (stop col legno)
(sul tasto)*

II.

III.

48

48

[Wr.]

[Sound.]

E

*Bow at normal position
(arco ord.)*

[Wr.] *mp* III. II. III. II. *sul pont.* *ord.*

(*pp*)

sul pont. *ord.*

[Sound.] *mp* III. II. III. II. *sul pont.* *ord.*

(*pp*)

(grad.
move
to)

sul pont. *ord.*

[Wr.] III. II. III. II. *sul pont.* (grad.
move
to) *ord.*

(grad.
move
to)

sul pont. *ord.*

[Sound.] III. II. III. II. *sul pont.* (grad.
move
to) *ord.*

sul pont.

ord.

sul pont.

ord.

[Wr.] III. II. III. II. *sul pont.* *ord.* III. II. III. II. *sul pont.* *ord.*

sul pont.

ord.

sul pont.

ord.

[Sound.] III. II. III. II. *sul pont.* III. II. III. II. *sul pont.* *ord.*

Narrative III

sul pont.

[Wr.]

III.
II.

ord.

III.
II.

sul pont.

[Sound.]

III.
II.

ord.

III.
II.

sul pont.

[Wr.]

III.
II.

ord.

III.
II.

sul pont.

[Sound.]

III.
II.

ord.

III.
II.

sul pont.

[Wr.]

III.
II.

ord.

III.
II.

sul pont.

[Sound.]

III.
II.

ord.

III.
II.

Narrative III

11

[Wr.]

III.

[Sound.]

III.

sul tasto

[Wr.]

II.

III.

[Sound.]

sul tasto

III.

II.

III.

[Wr.]

II.

III.

[Sound.]

III.

II.

III.

[Wr.]

II.

III.

[Sound.]

III.

II.

III.

*col legno
sul tasto*

Jetté

[Wr.] *mf*

69

[Sound.] *mf*

69

[Wr.] *(pizz.) ff*

71

[Sound.] *ff*

71