# Grumpy angels

1 piano

1 cello

1 violin

Ping pong balls

12 movments:

1st reflextion

1st argument

2nd argument

3d argument

2nd reflextion

3d reflextion

4th argument

5th argument

Family picture

Last argument

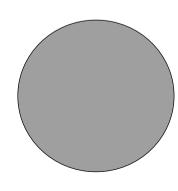
Very last argument

Dawn.

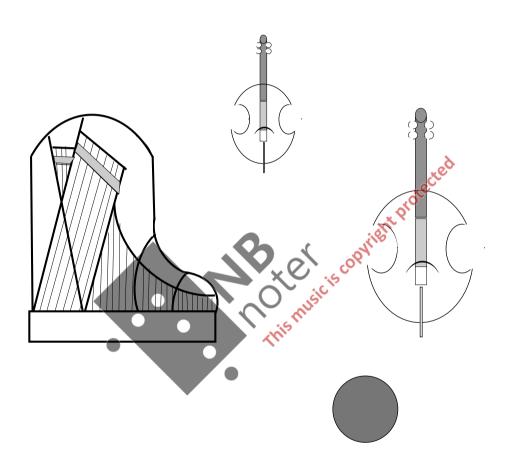
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### Placement of instruments



The audience

#### Performancenotes \*finger tips. \* finger nais Strings Pizzicato **⊕** (pizz) normal bartok buzz pull flick (r.h.) 2 fingers fingering Sub ponticello pizzi.: "snap" "senza "snap" (string thumb & nail normal free 2nd.f. nail arco" technrebounds & left hand vibrate aginst strike a string iaues fingernail) Other strike fingertrem. damp strings: finger (damped sound) fingertrem: **(** $\circ$ tech-2 fingers, 2 strings niaues open strings muffle: while pizz. effleuré: touch s i m. t o bowing /slapping no damp l. h. f.: lightly touch r.h.f.: strike the string with top of f. pianoon open strings or depresse then release the string the string as for strings or striking on body harmoniques the upwards release of pressure : no harmoniques r.h.f.: play the creates the sound =an echo of a pizz étouffer: damp normal pizz. after playing • Pizz: Harmonique pizz: make it ring pluck with like a guitar or pianostring: release the l.h. finger immediately fingernail after having plucked the string NB: Other scarping and rubbing the strings, see pictograms for pianostrings. Bowing techniques: Different degrees of bowpressu col legno col 1/2 legno - circulair & angulair towards distortion bowing Some

sub ponticello.: sul ponticello:

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arco ord.

bowing on top of

the bridge

Unmeasured tremollo

gradually changing

between bow techniques /

random pizz techniques

freely play between 1/2 c.l. &

across 4 strings

bowing on

Freely play

across

4 strings

the tailpiece

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Rubbing

4 strings

circulair

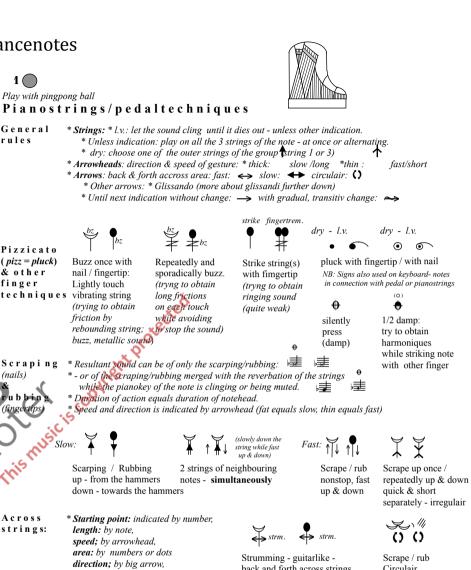
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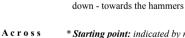
across

1/2 col legno / with fingers

playing behind

the bridge





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rules

Pizzicato

(pizz = pluck)

Scraping

(nails)

& other

finger

Buzz once with

nail / fingertip:

Lightly touch

friction by

(trying to obtain

rebounding string;

buzz, metallic sound

Scarping / Rubbing

up - from the hammers

techniques vibrating string

Repeatedly and

(tryng to obtain

long frictions

on each touch

while avoiding

(stop the sound)

sporadically buzz.

Play with pingpong ball

\* Starting point: indicated by number. length: by note.

speed; by arrowhead, area: by numbers or dots direction: by big arrow.

character: by straigth or round lines. (nevrotic or soft)

Glissando stroke /glide (hand. fingertips or / - nails

sign added)

strings:

Slow stroke Fast strokes (right to left + fast, waverly = high to low "harpelike" climbing register. lasting 2/4 beats,) (left to right, 1 beat)

Same

with 2 hands

back and forth across strings or on indicated surface

Circulair moovement

r. to l. O

Circulair stroke while slow, waverly "harplike" descending (right to left)

Fast strummimg back & forth. while slow. waverly "harplike" climbing (left to right, 4 beats) etc.

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tions:

Some

picto-

grams

examples

of sub p.

sul pont.

sul ponticello

playing near

the bridge

Sul iv

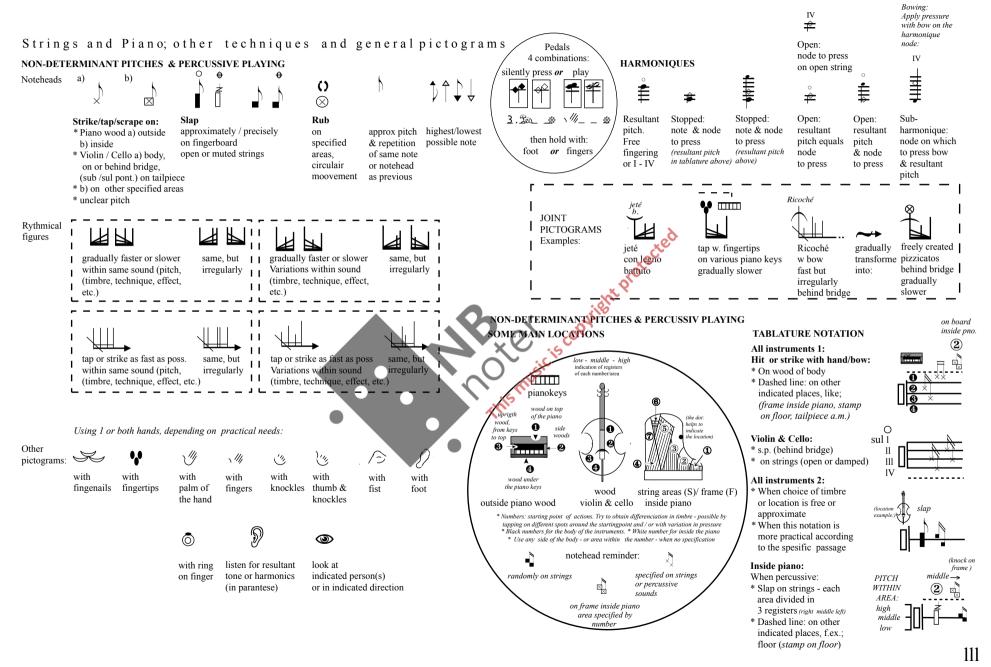
Sul iv /

(randomly)

behind bridge

Using all 4 strings

#### Performancenotes

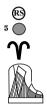


#### Performancenotes

#### About the ping pong playing:



ping pong ball(s) \* number in front indicating amount \* right corner; which one



drop ball(s) randomly on strings of piano, let it freely slide / bounce



silently bring ball(s)out of pocket(s) or other convenient places



throw 1 ball down strings area 5 - towards the hammers let it freely bounce / gliss



Handsign added or not: play with ball in a controlled manner rythmically, by letting it bounce freely the length written (sim. to ricoché) between hand and location after each throw or strikenote (indicated by notehead x)

"ricoché"



push ball on pianostrings, to make it roll /gliss from back of piano \* from back of the piano towards the hammers /



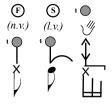


let the ball slide from the top of the open piano outside - front part and then bounce freely on the floor (NB: No carpet)



(3(F)

play with ball as indicated on wood/metall frame of area 3



strike with ball as written:

- \* on each note on frame. without bouncing
- \* on each note on string without bouncing (l.v.)
- \* strike then bounce on frame: ex: one strike + 2 bounces



drop or let drop the ball on wood/metall inside piano (frame)

and let it bounce freely



drop indicated number of balls one by one - irregulairly and let them bounce freely



push ball on strings to make it roll / gliss from low to high register - between the 2 borders of a



borders

push 3 balls push ball on strings from back of the piano to make it roll / gliss towards the hammers back & forth between from high to low register, area 3



sub ponticello at he bridge inside piano - in the back the end of the strings (between nails and filt)



sul ponticello close to the bridge inside piano - in the back

#### Dynamic fluctuations:



only /subito



range





nevrotic wider range



dynamic fluctation followed by wedges: cresc. & decresc. must remain within the pre indicated range



Up 1/6 Down 1/6 Down 1/4

#### Arrows:

 $\Leftrightarrow$ 

Freely switching or jumping back and forth inbetween sounds (areas, timbre, techniques, effects rythmical durations etc.) and their intermediate stages Non schematic & non sequencial. Nevrotic & irregulair changing / variations within range

Gradually transforming inbetween sounds and their intermediate stages Non schematic & non sequencial. Transitiv variations within range:

Not necessairy to repeteatedly go directly back and forth within range Possible to dwell on one or few central sounds / rythms etc., as long as the transformation inbetween them always is gradual and that the total range limits are presented at least once.

Stay with sound until next changement.

Gradually & directly transforming from one sound to another Transitiv variation of timbre

#### Rythmic fluctuations:



Nevrotic changing inbetween the range of as short as possible and a 1/8 tone



Transitiv & gradual changing inbetween the range as short as possible and a 1/4 tone

#### Pitch fluctuations:



Ranges:

& lower

of central



each

direction





1/6 higher 1 wholestep 3/4 higher moove & 1/4 lower inbetween indicated pitches

#### Abbrevations:

laisser vibrare: let icling ot vibrate

laisser morire;; let die out naturally

non vibrare; should not cling/vibrate

(w.t.b.) with tip of bow

on fingerboard



(Inside piano:) strings



frame



random frame (inside piano)

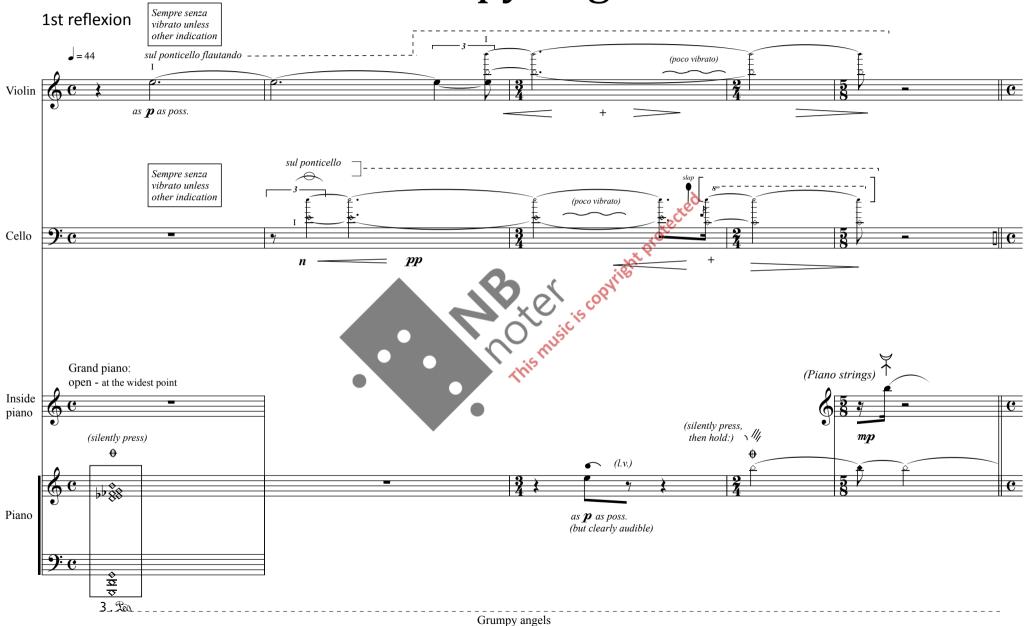


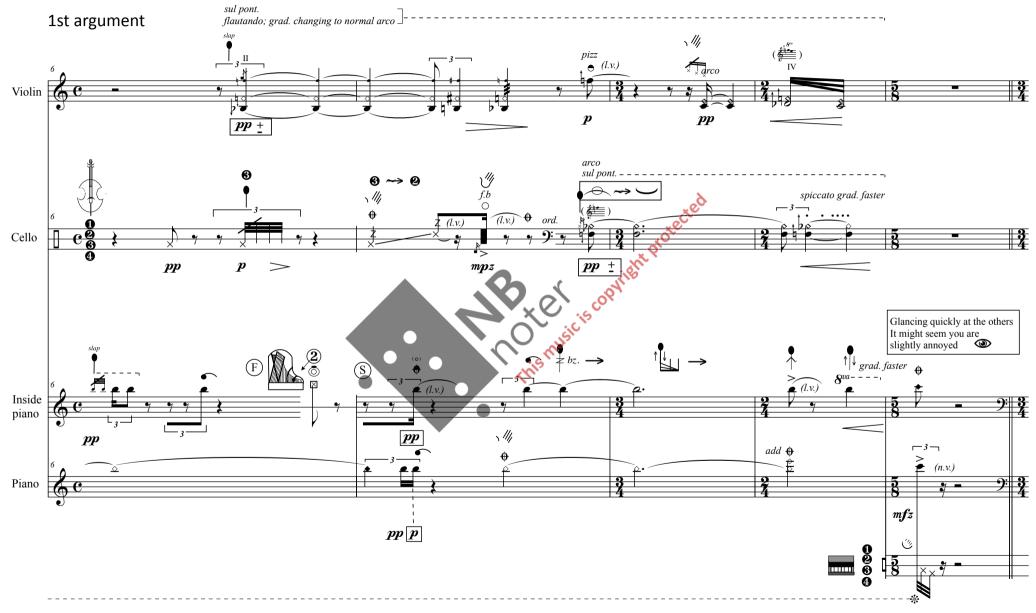
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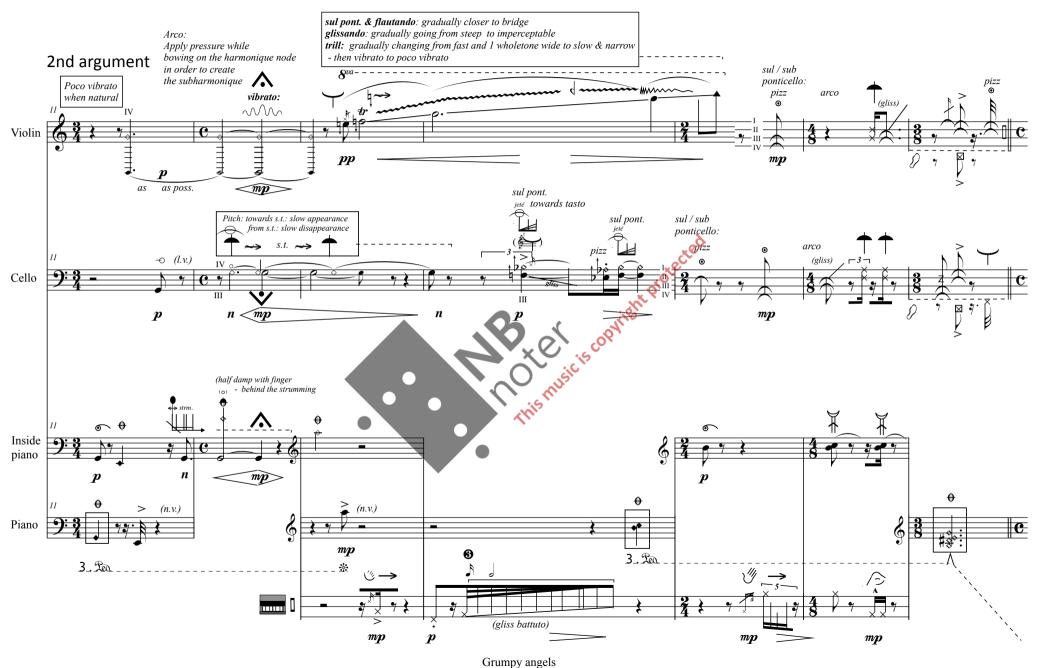


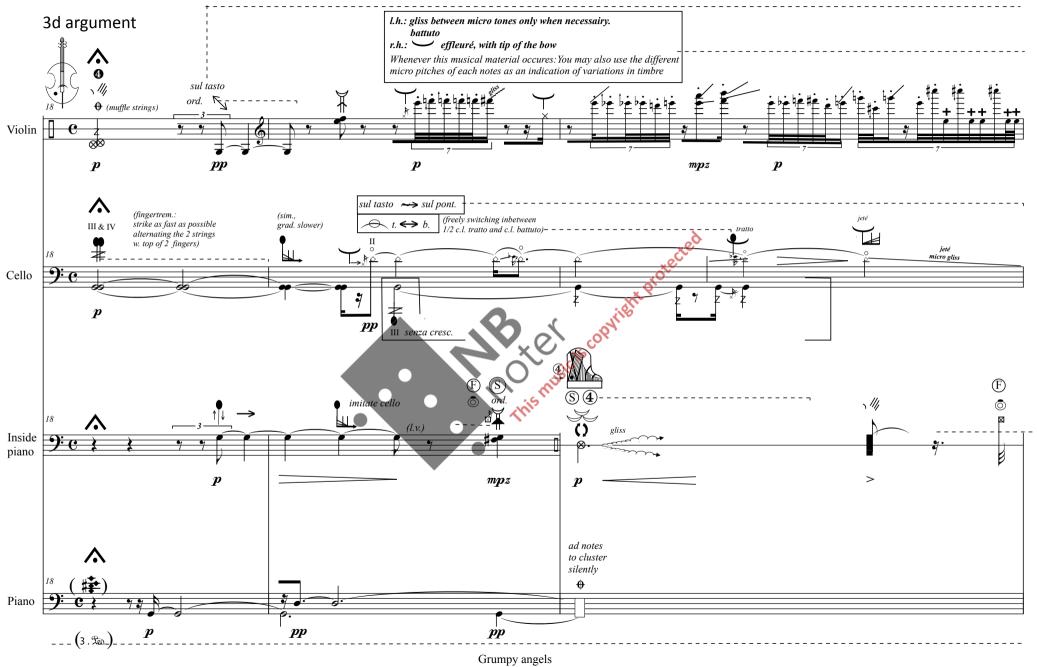
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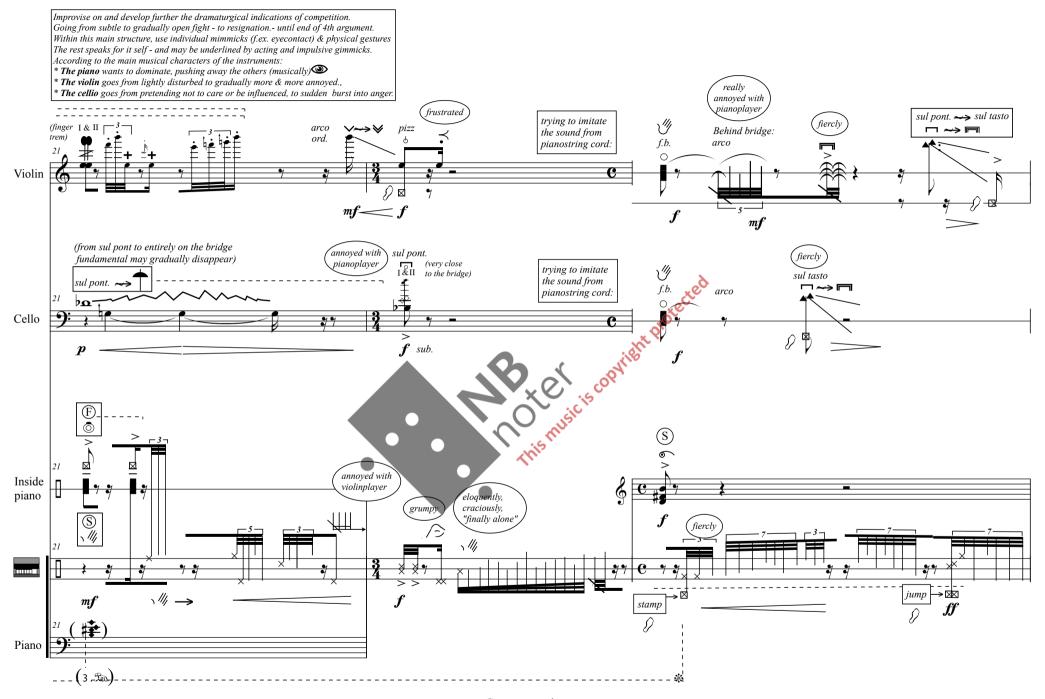
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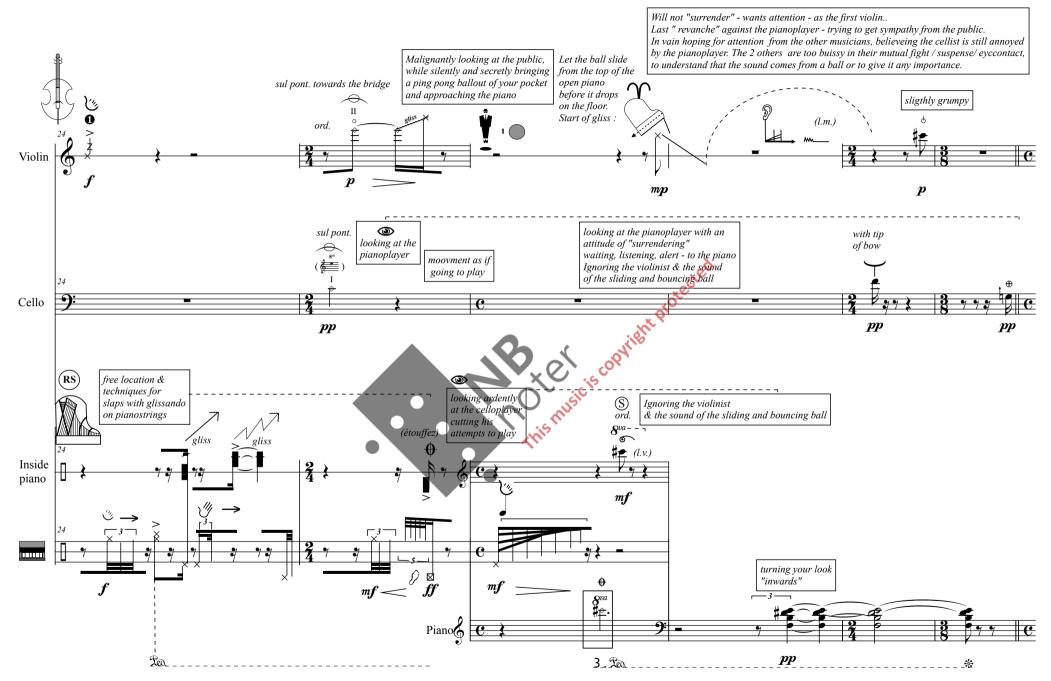










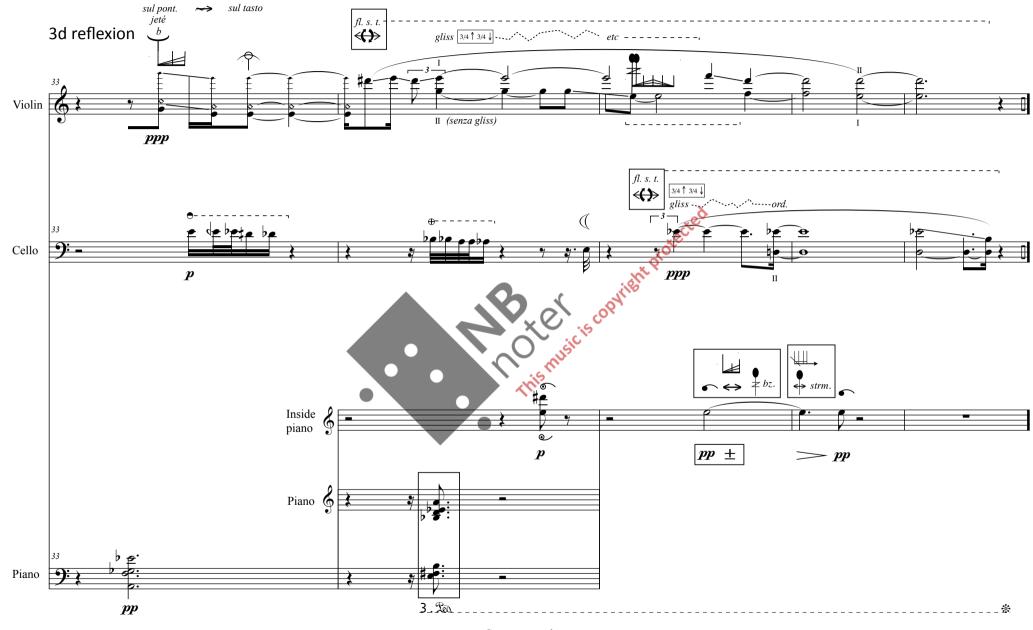


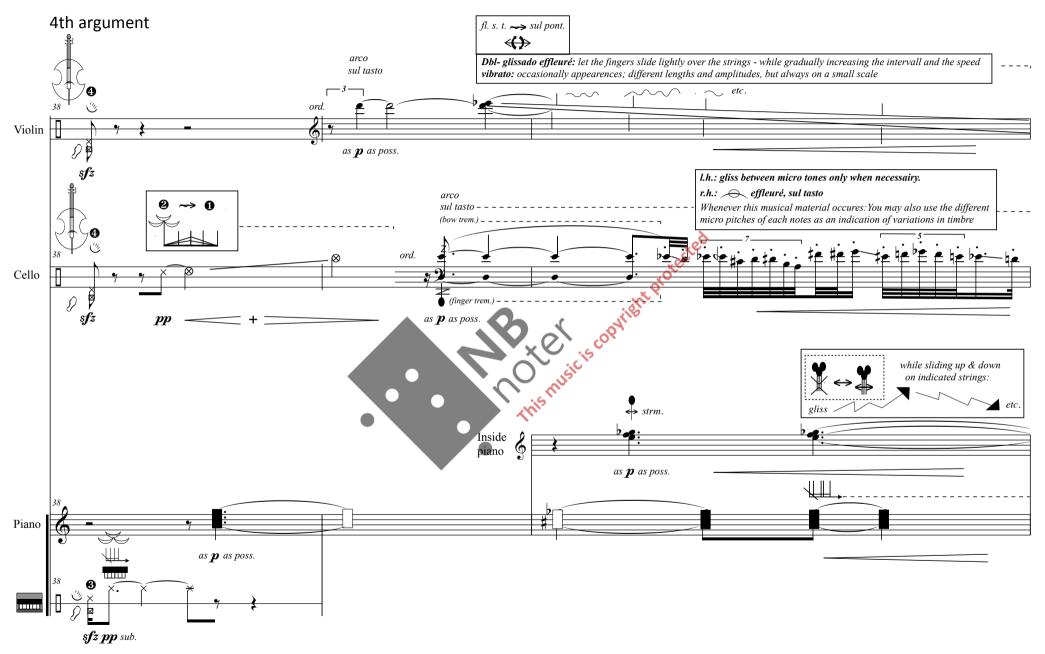
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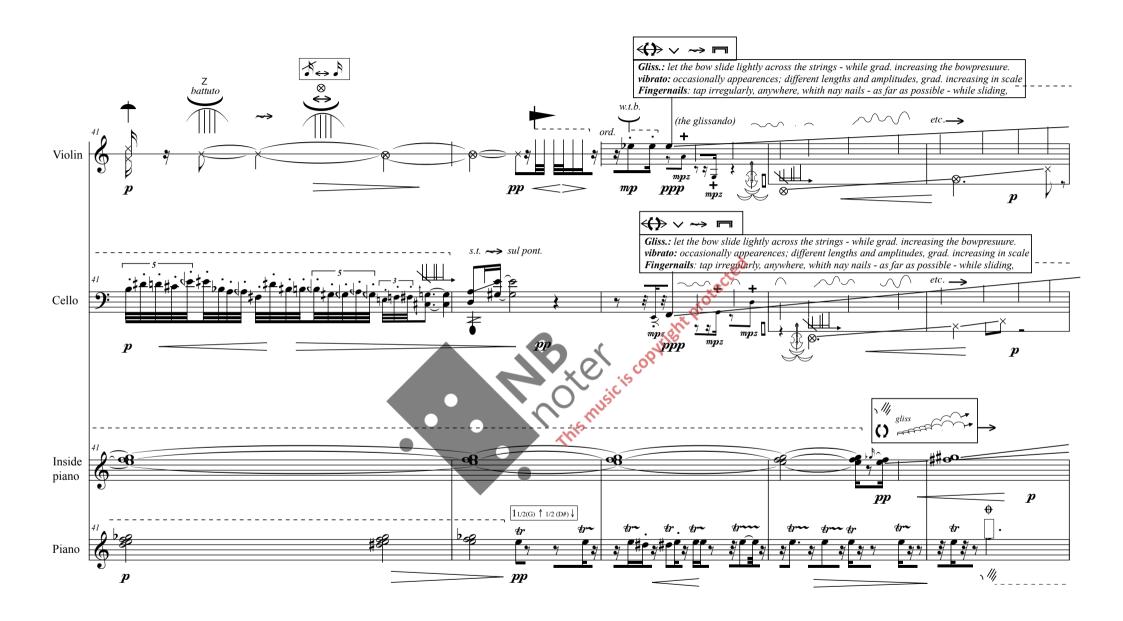
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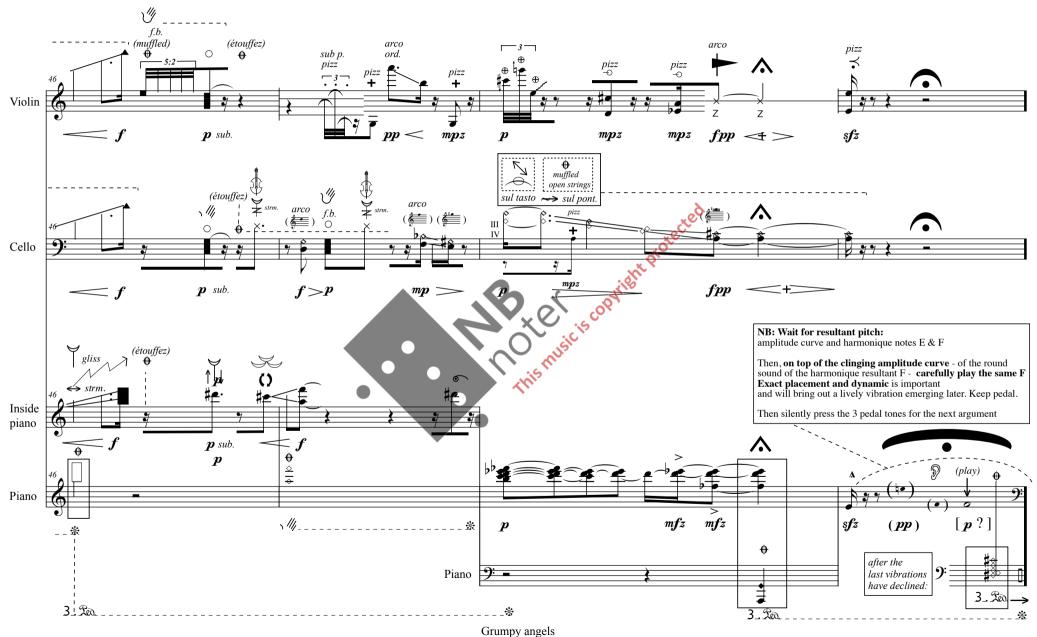
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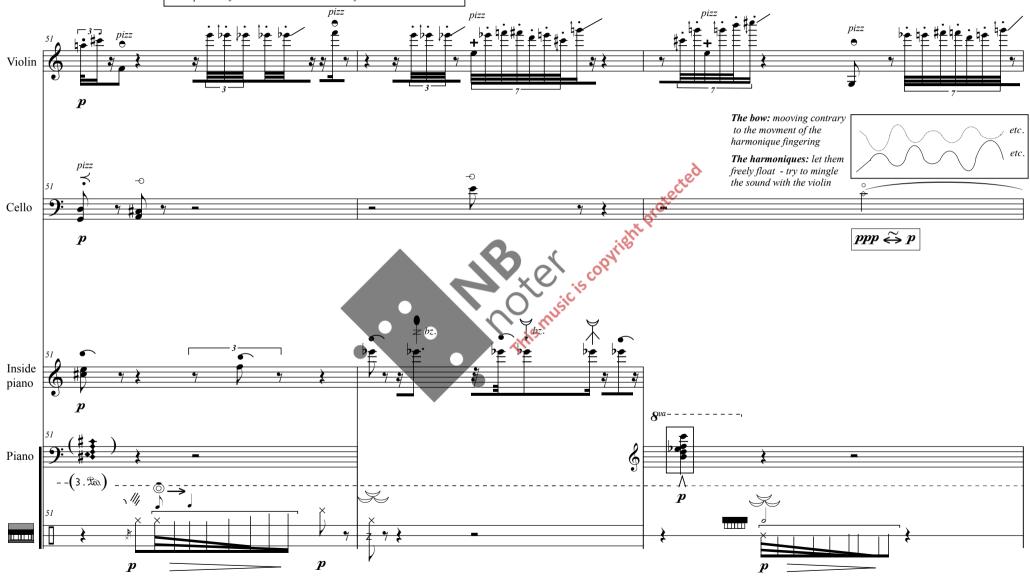


l.h.: gliss between micro tones only when necessairy.

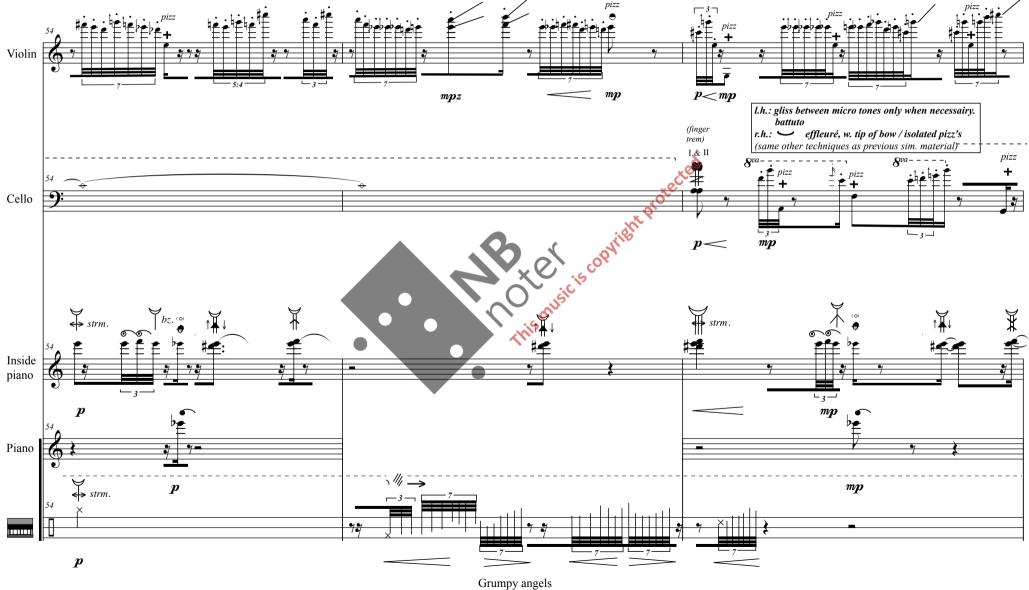
r.h.: • effleuré, with tip of the bow / some few, isolated pizzicati

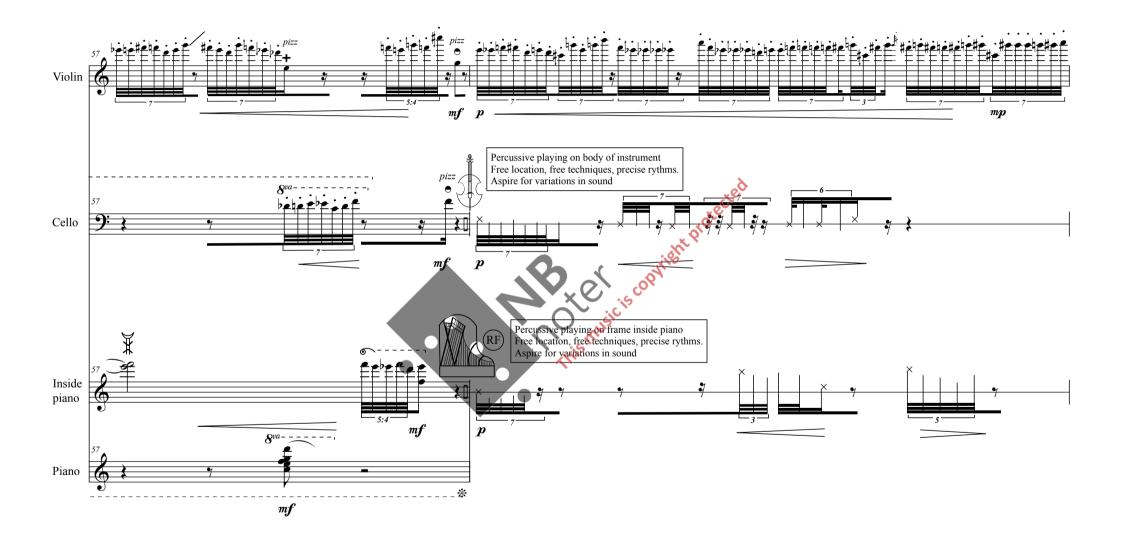
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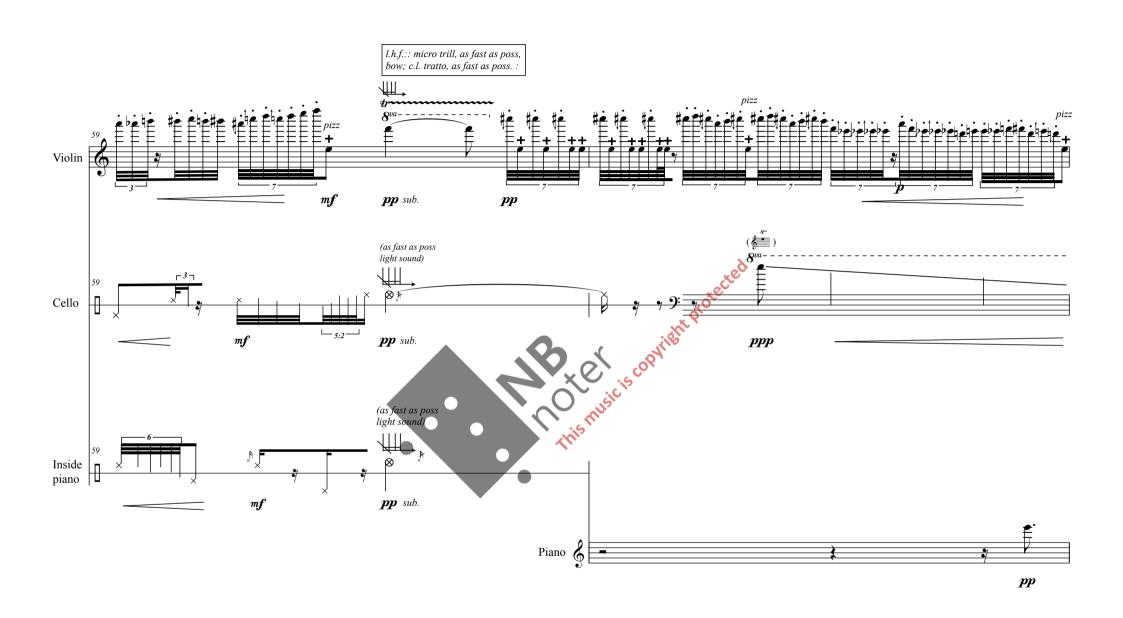
Whenever this musical material occures: You may also use the different micro pitches of each notes as an indication of variations in timbre

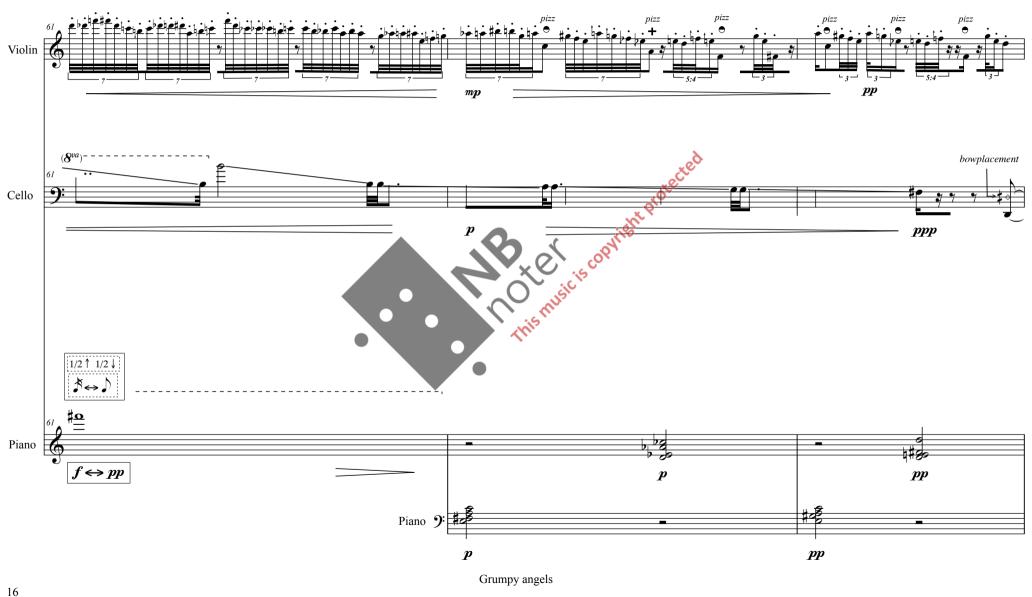


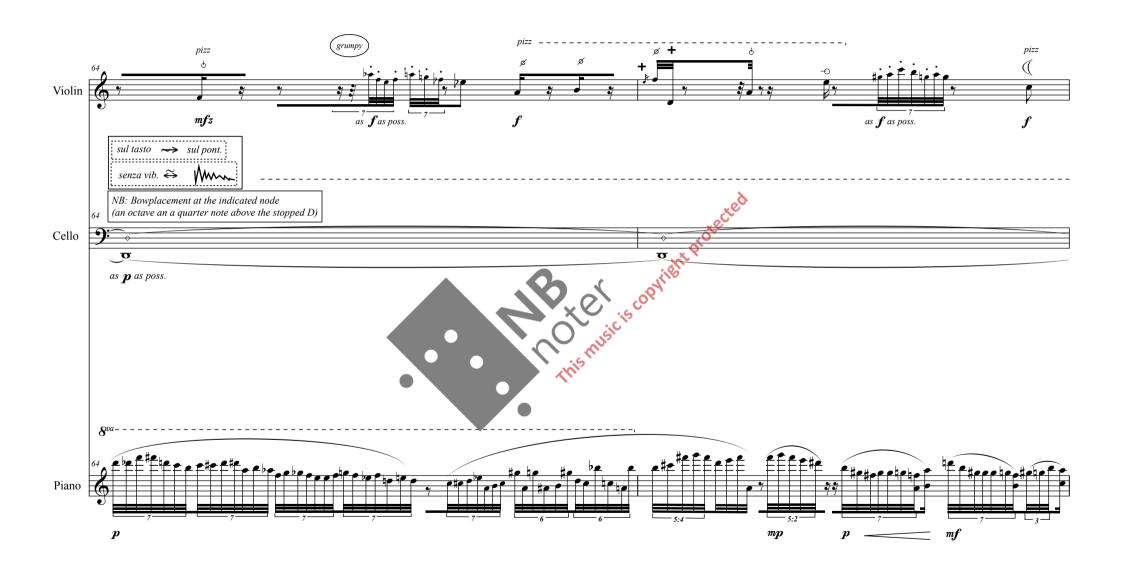
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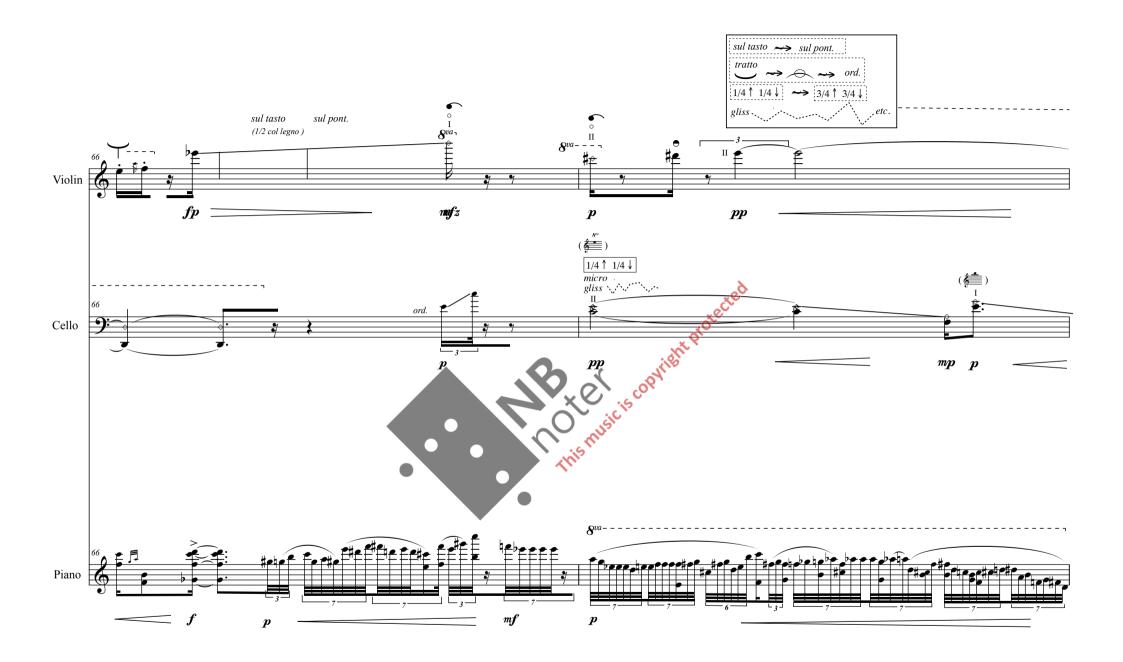


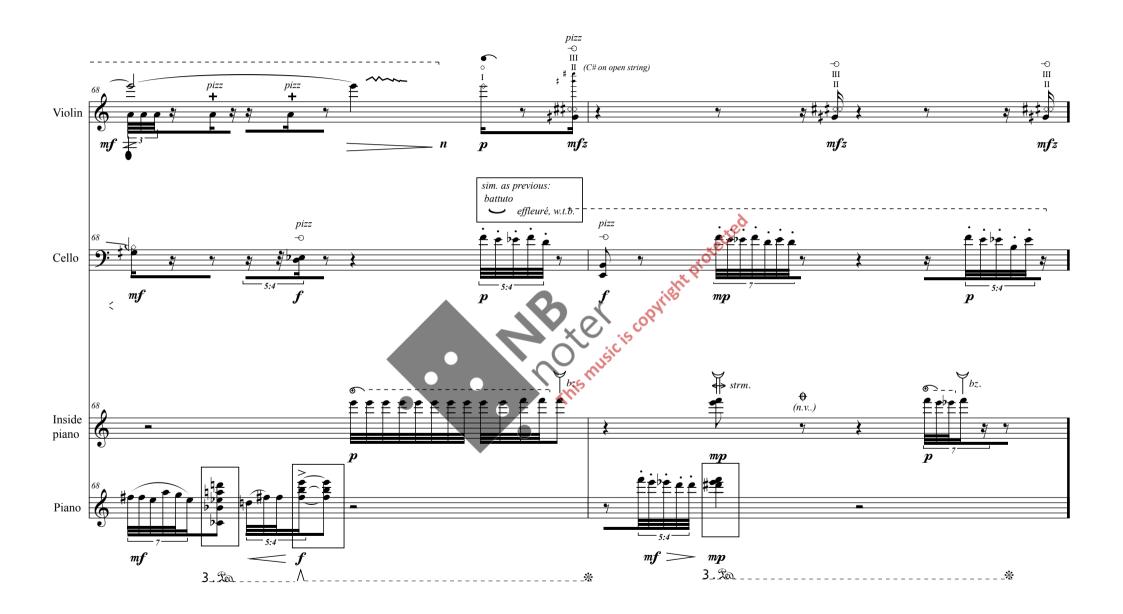


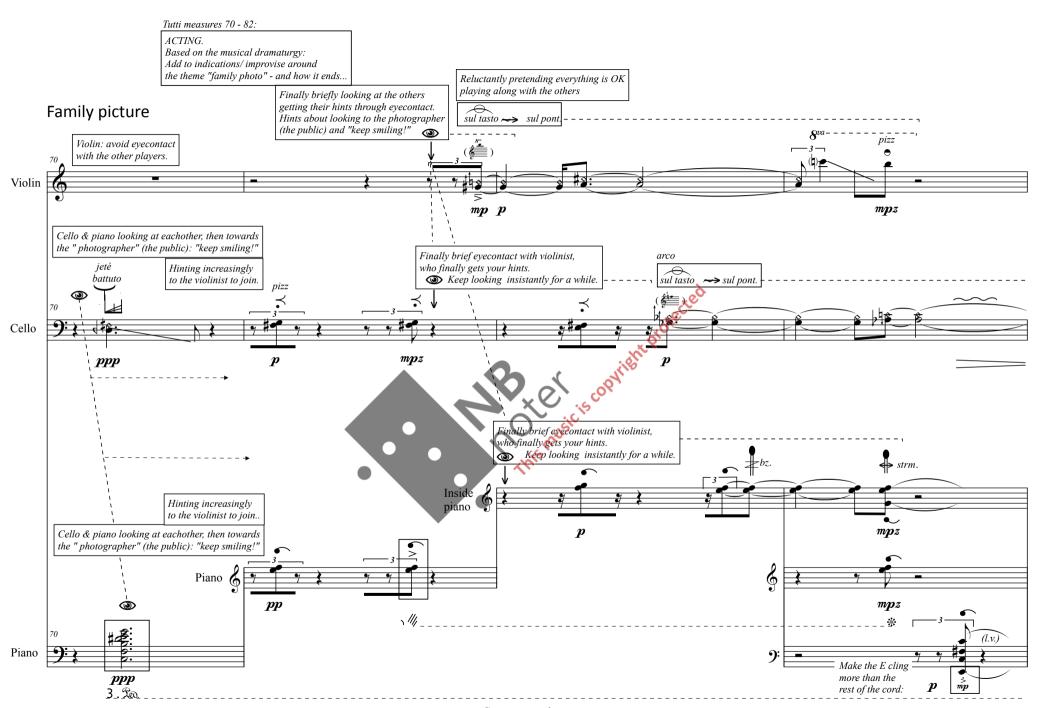


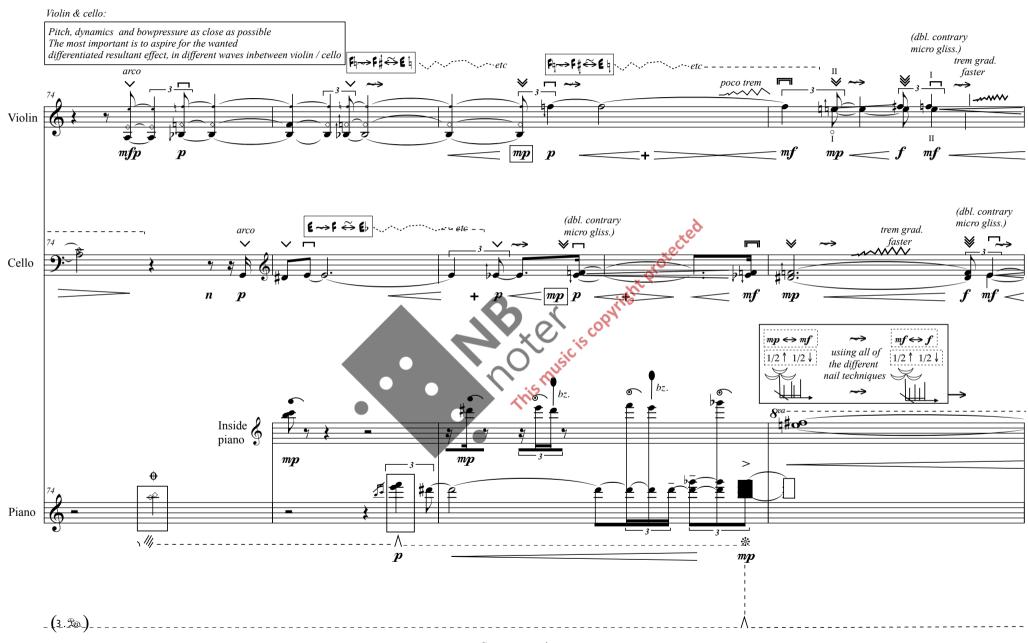


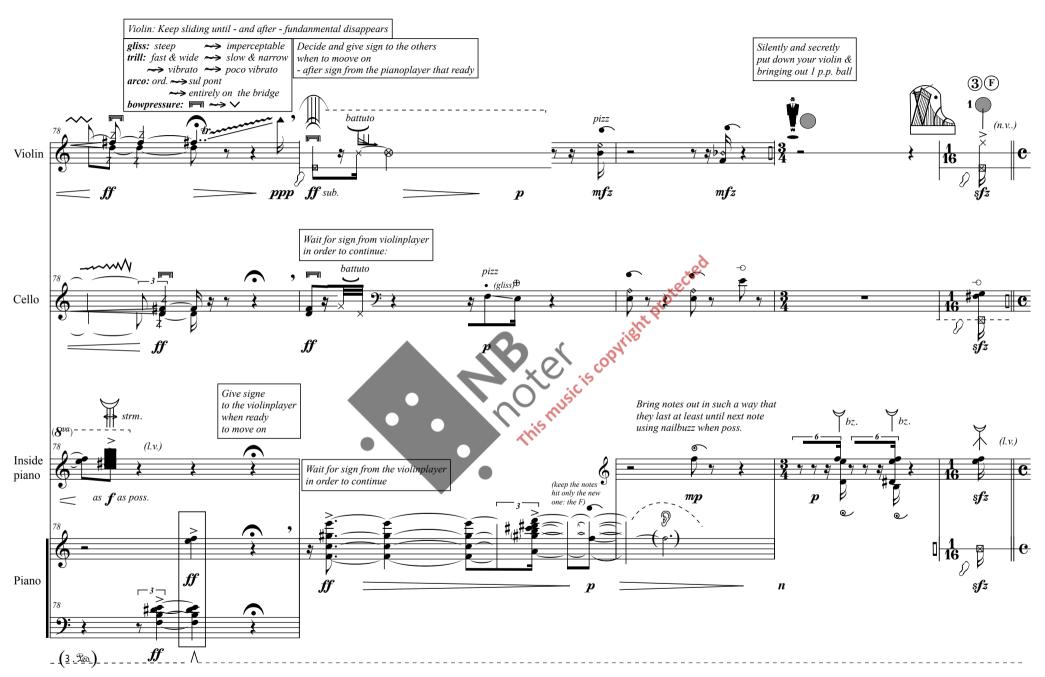


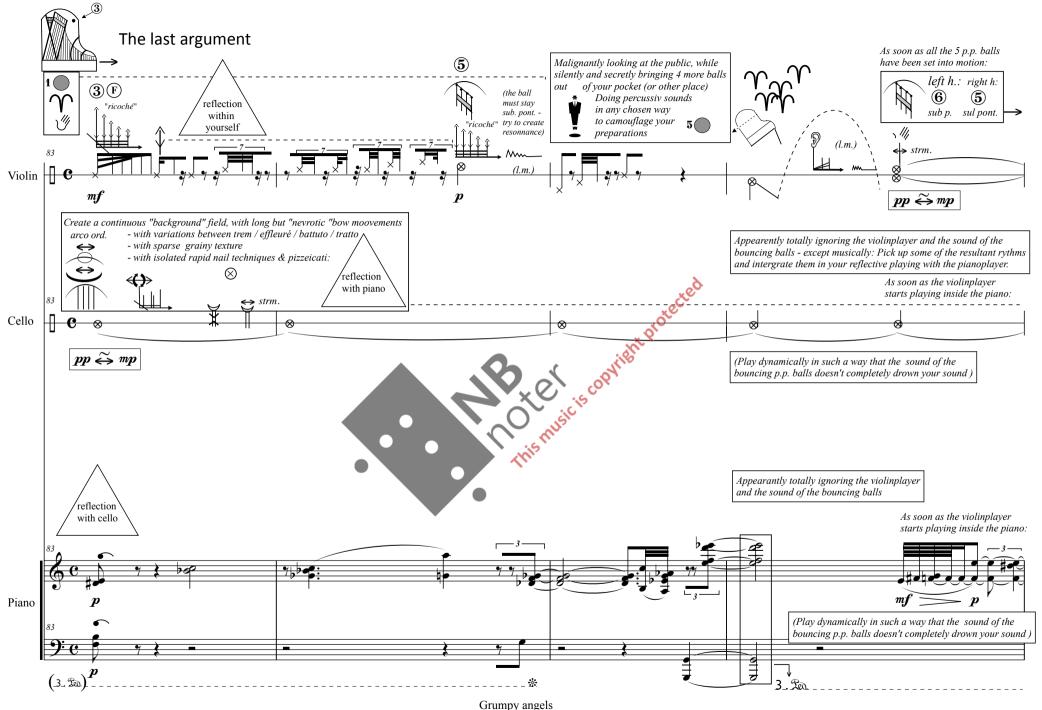


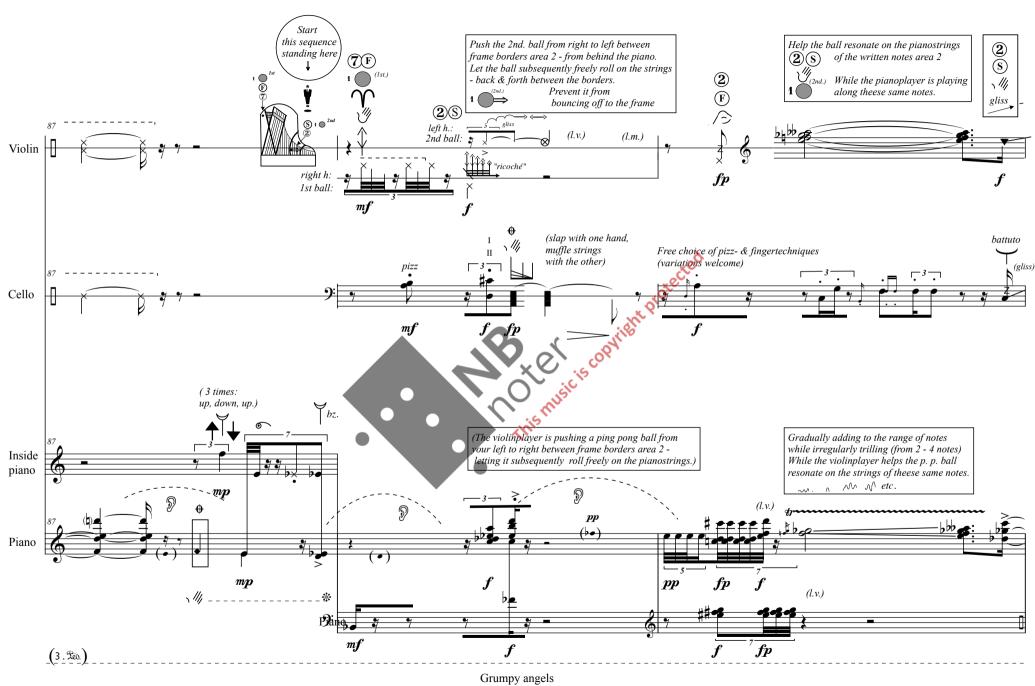


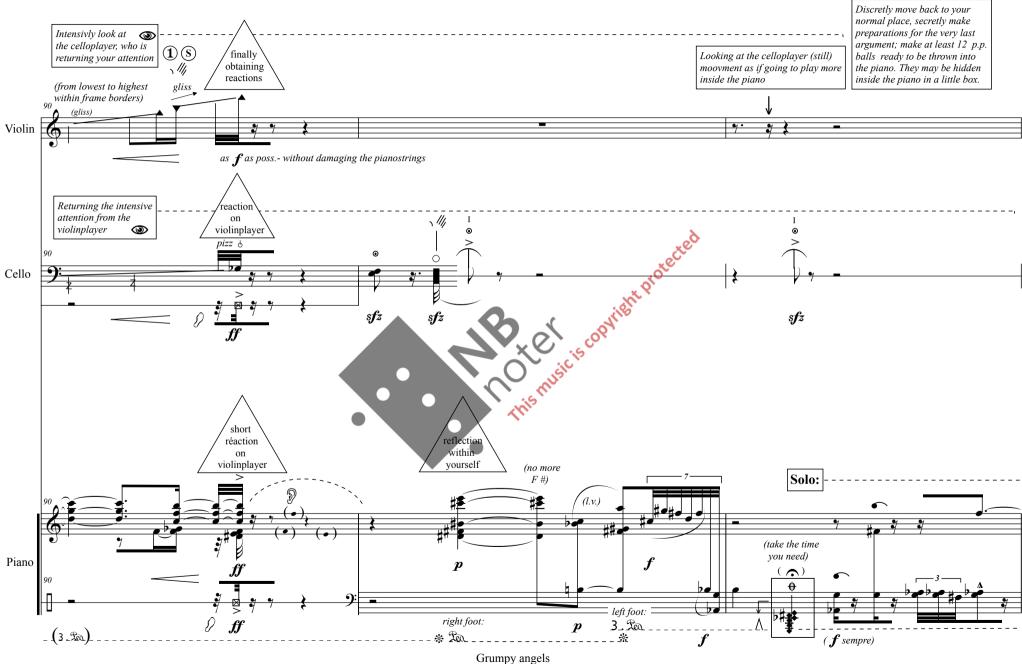


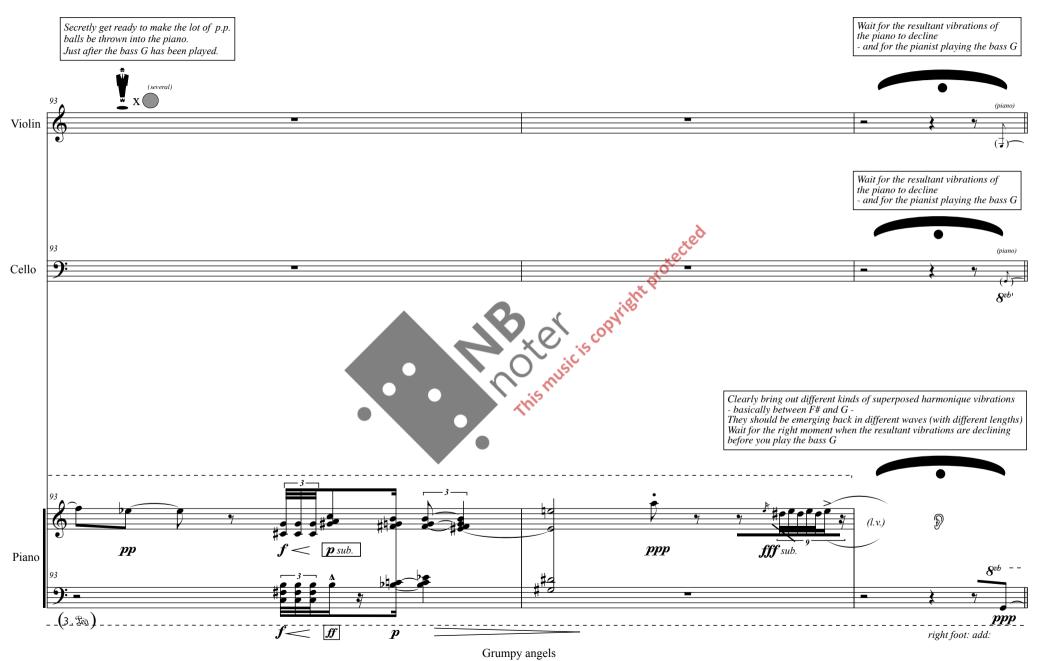












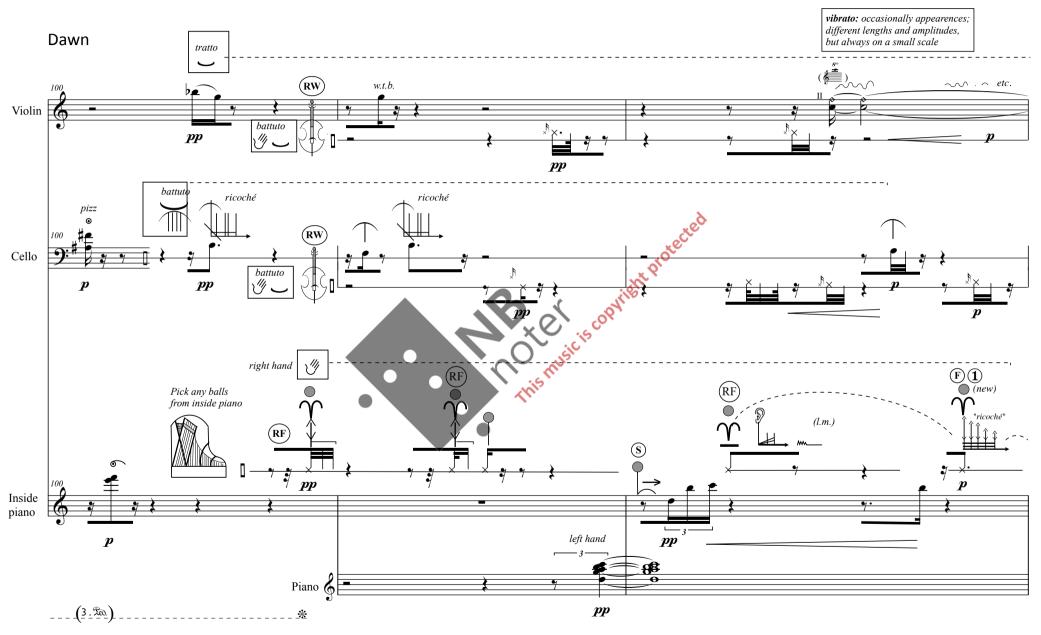
#### The very last argument SENZA MESURA Drop the lot of balls into the piano, starting with area 5 to 4. making sure there are balls comming subsequently into area 3 - 1 before the pianocords. BALLGAME: (just a touch of sound flavour - should not last too long) Be careful, do not throw in part 7! GAME OVER: important to move fast. Pick up balls and begin to tastefully throw them around inside the piano - in order to create interesting sounds/effect. Silently return to your seat and pick up your instrument. It is important that it doesn't become caotic, and that the sounds do not drown in too much vibration. Keep one ball with you, for later use. (random) A TEMPO: Violin SENZA MESURA Get up at the sound of the ping pong balls BALLGAME: (just a touch of sound flavour - should not last too long) Be careful, do not throw in part 7! GAME OVER: - simultaneously to the first piano cord. (RS) Pick up balls and begin to tastefully throw them around inside the piano - in order to create interesting sounds/effect. Silently return to your seat and pick up your instrument. Surprised - bewildered - amazed It is important that it doesn't become caotic, and that the sounds do not drown in too much vibration. Keep one ball with you, for later use. Put down your cello - go to the piano (random) A TEMPO. Cello SENZA MESURA "Wake up" to the sound of the ping pong balls - simultaneously to the reaction of the celloplayer surprised - bewildered - amazed Play the cords after the p.p.balls have arrived in their respective areas - as to "chase" them Play as fast as poss. related to the following: BALLGAME: (remain in front of piano) (just a touch of sound flavour - should not last too long) GAME OVER: Wait for the others Gradually slower as you discover their interrestings soundeffect Pick up balls - one or few and play in the highest register Becoming gradually more to be ready keep pedal, but make sure it doesn't become "grumsy". in order to create interesting sounds/effect. introvert befor mooving on It is important that it doesn't become caotic, and that the sounds do not drown in too much vibration. Add the new notes to a cluster while keeping the others A TEMPO:

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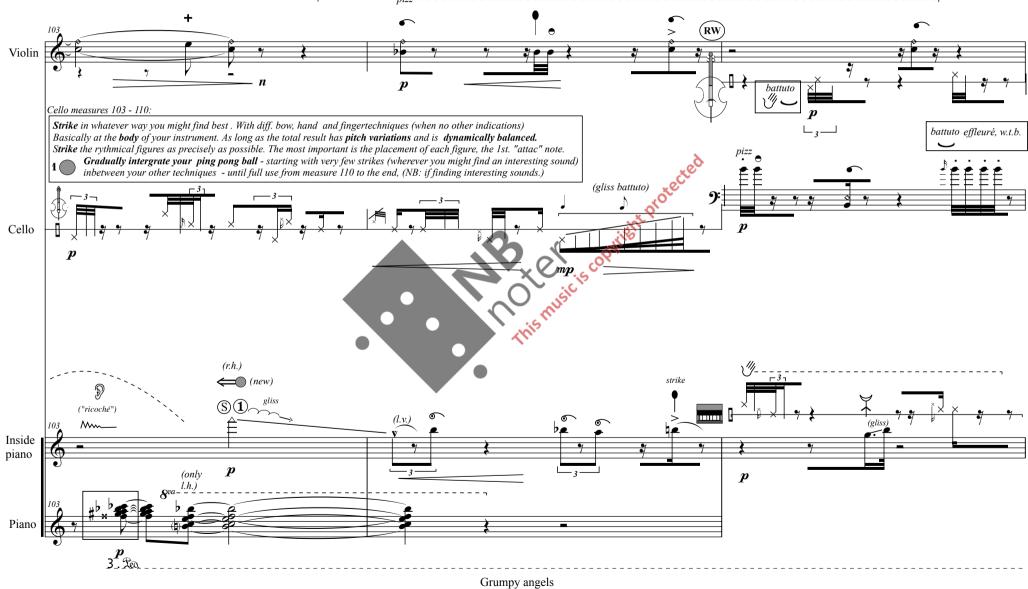
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Piano

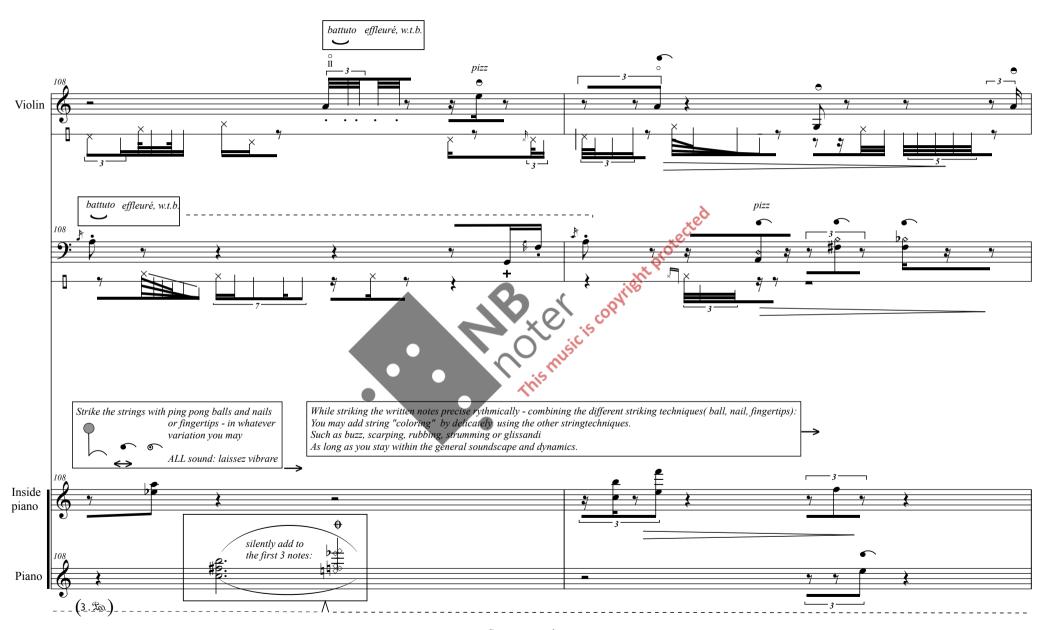
NB: Keep 3d. pedaL



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Strike in whatever way you might find best . With diff. bow, hand and fingertechniques (when no other indications) Basically at the body of your instrument. As long as the total result has pitch variations and is dynamically balanced. Strike the rythmical figures as precisely as possible. The most important is the placement of each figure, the 1st. "attac" note. Gradually intergrate your ping pong ball - starting with very few strikes (wherever you might find an interesting sound) inbetween your other techniques - until full use from measure 110 to the end. (NB: If finding interesting sounds). battuto effleuré, w.t.b. Dynamics: Relative, according to indications. Aspire for balance within the different techniques, and within the instruments of the trio. You may use cresc. / decresc. In an interrelated communicativ way. Violin  $mp \stackrel{\sim}{\Longleftrightarrow} pp$ Dynamics: Relative, according to indications. Aspire for balance within the different techniques, and within the instruments of the trio. You may use cresc. / decresc. In an interrelated communicativ way. Cello mpDynamics: Relative, according to indications. Aspire for balance within the different techniques, and within the instruments of the trio. You may use cresc. / decresc. In an interrelated communicativ way. Inside piano Piano



Strike with p.p. ball on (open) strings. Find a spot on the string whith the most ressonance.

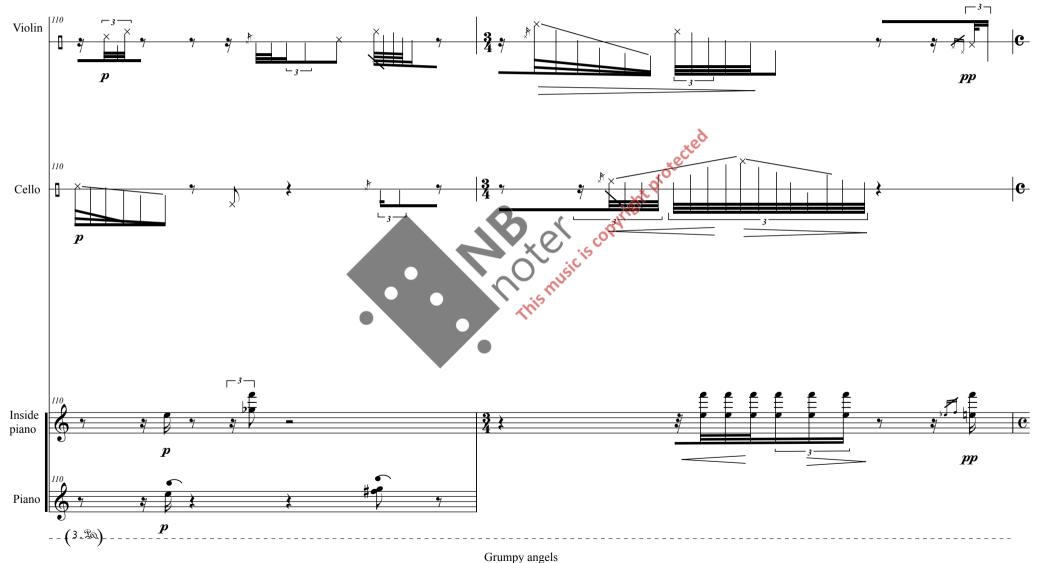
For the violin: it might create the best sound to strike with the ball like a bow. Has to be tried out. **Pitch variations:** Indicated by the notation. Aspire for microtonal variations, and small intervalls. Rythmical precision: Aspire for precise placement of each rytmical figure.

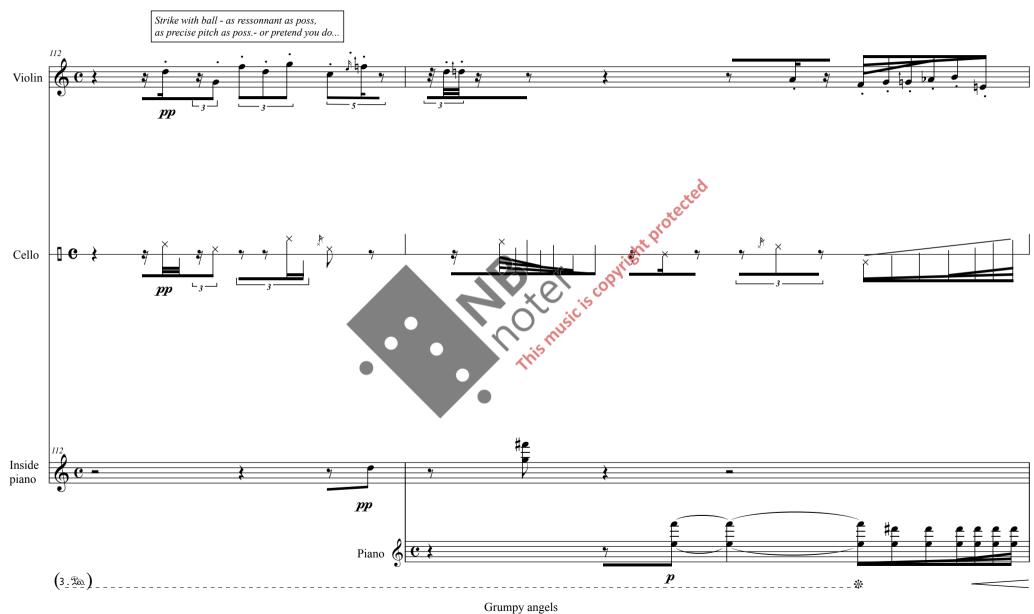
#### Pitch variations are made by

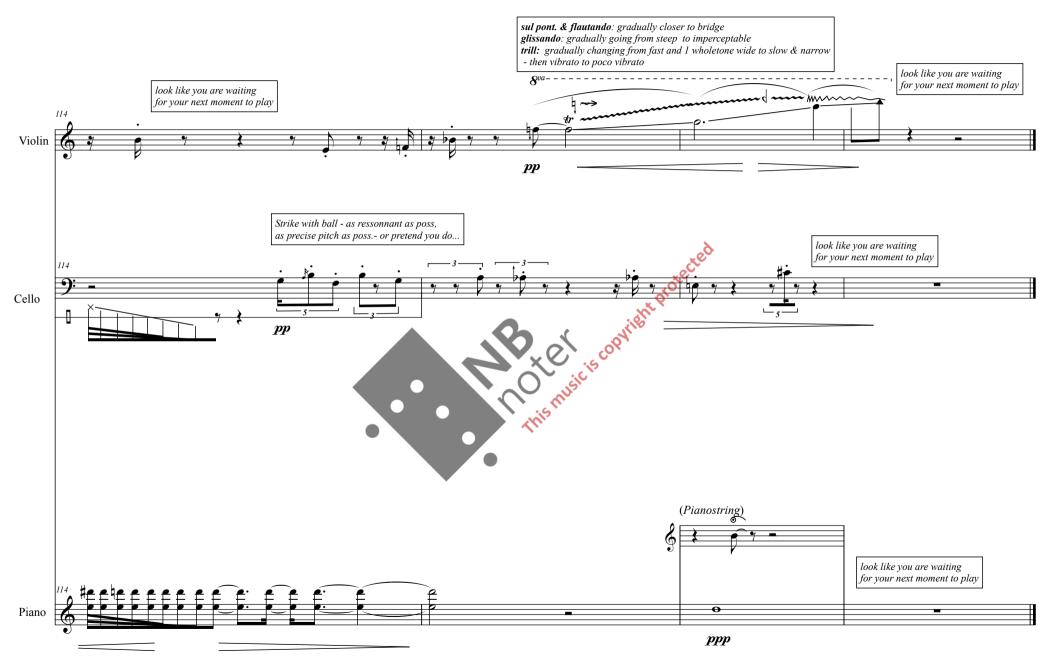
- a) mooving the ball (battuto) on open string
- b) mooving the finger, using the ball (battuto) on the same spot
- c) mooving both ball and finger in same direction (gliss "battuto")
- d) mooving the ball and the finger in opposite directions.(dbl. gliss "battuto)

All: Measures 110 towards the end: play freely with the ping-pong ball(s)

- into your playing on the instrument
- in whatever way you want, if and whenever possible
- using your fantasy, the stage, the audience, eachother...







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