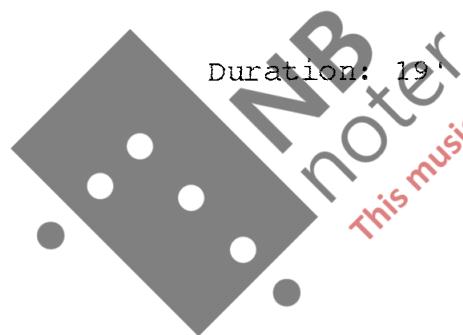


# **NOVALIS-FRAGMENTE**

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for soprano, cello and play-actor



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## NOVALIS-FRAGMENTE

1.

Alles scheint auf uns herein zu strömen, weil wir nicht heraus strömen. Wir sind negativ, weil wir wollen - je positiver wir werden, desto negativer wird die Welt um uns her - bis am Ende keine Negationen mehr seyn wird - sondern wir alles in Allem sind.

2.

Alle Mährchen sind nur Träume von jener heymathlichen Welt, die überall und nirgends ist.

Die Philosophie ist eigentlich Heimweh - Trieb überall zu Hause zu seyn.

3.

Man sollte Stolz auf den Schmerz seyn - jeder Schmerz etc. ist eine Errinnerung unsers hohen Rangs.

4.

Wir suchen überall das Unbedingte, und finden immer nur Dinge.

5.

Die Welt des Mährchens ist die durchausentgegengesetzte Welt der Welt der Wahrheit (Geschichte) - und eben darum ihr so durchaus ähnlich - wie das Chaos der vollendeten Schöpfung.

In einem ächten Mährchen muß alles wunderbar-geheimnißvoll und unzusammenhängend seyn - alles belebt.

6.

Alles ist Samenkorn.

7.

Frey seyn ist die Tendenz des Ich - das Vermögen frey zu seyn ist die productive Imagination - Harmonie die Bedingung ihrer Thätigkeit - des Schwebens, zwischen Entgegengesetzten. Sey einig mit der selbst ist also Bedingungsgrundsatz des obersten Zwecks - zu Seyn oder Frey zu seyn. Alles Seyn, Seyn überhaupt ist nichts als Freyseyn - Schweben zwischen Extremen, die nothwendig zu vereinigen und nothwendig zu trennen sind. Aus diesem Lichtpunkt des Schwebens strömt alle Realität aus - in ihm ist alles enthalten - Object und subject sind durch ihn, nicht er durch sie.

Ichheit oder productive Imaginationskraft, das Schweben - bestimmt, producirt die Extreme, das wozwischen geschwebt wird - Dieses ist eine Täuschung, aber nur im Gebiete des gemeinen Verstandes. Sonst ist es etwas durchaus Reales, denn das Schweben, seine Ursache, ist der Quell, die Mater aller Realität, die Realität selbst.

8.

Das Unbekannte, Geheimnißvolle ist das Resultat, und der Anfang von Allem.

Nur das Unvollständige kann begriffen werden - kann uns weiter führen. Das Vollständige wird nur genossen.

Ruhe und gebildete Unbegreiflichkeit.

9.

Scham ist wohl ein Gefühl der Profanazion. Freundschaft, Liebe und Pietät sollten geheimnißvoll behandelt werden. Man sollte nur in seltnen, vertrauten Momenten davon reden, sich stillschweigend darüber einverstehen. Vieles ist zu zart um gedacht, noch mehres um besprochen zu werden.

10.

Alles Gute in der Welt kommt von innen her, und also ihr von außen, aber es blitzt nur hindurch. Das Ausgezeichnete bringt die Welt weiter, aber es muß auch bald fort.

## PERFORMING INSTRUCTIONS:

### MEASURES, durations:

This piece is quite open and flexible, often following the natural flow of spoken and song words. There is given and needed flexibility for performance. By this reason there will not always be possible to be absolute consequent in notation; the clearest solution on every specific place has been chosen.

In bar areas the spoken words are not directly bound to the song and the cello, but follows its own natural rythm after given entrances. A certain degree of speed interpretation is needed to be able to finish the text/music within a given field or before the next entrance

In the open area following the **dotted bar line**, the durations are quite relative, often following the pace of the spoken words, **coordinated with dotted lines**. It will be necessary to follow the other performers very closely on score as well as live and it will require a solid portion of awareness. In such parts pauses will often be left as empty space, letting the coordination from other voices rule. **Fermatas** is used to indicate a longer brake. Durational pauses may be added to give a certain indication. Commas indicates short brakes/breath.

In general the accuracy of the durations and metronome indications are less important than the free and natural flow of the gestures.

### GENERAL PERFORMANCE NOTES:

# ↓ quartertone up/down

→ gradually transition between one state and another.

<> al/dal niente

Other abbreviations according to normal praxis.

## PERFORMING INSTRUCTIONS:

## SOPRANO PART:

**Sudden outbursts** in the dynamic ranges are to be sung somewhat abrupt.

**Portatos** (glissandos like) if beginning with a grace note, (added to a duration) means imiediate start, no underlining of start note. Others starts after natural stating the of start note, but the portato should be given the greater part of the notes given duration. Endnote notated as a gracenote indicates that it should not be hold or accentuated.

**x-shaped note** indicates spoken words, normally unpitch and then placed at lower d-line. x placed on stem indicates half-sung or sprechgesang, both pitched, the latter more dramatic.

**pronouciation:** is following normal german customs. If in doubt consult text.

## PERFORMING INSTRUCTIONS

### VIOLINCELLO

◊ Snap or Bartok pizzicato

**Gett:** gettattos should be allowed to bounce a "natural" number of times, very well including slight decresc.+ rit.

**clt / clb** col legno tratto/battutto; string stroken/beaten with the wood of the bow

**1/2cl** Equal amounts of wood and hair

**Al Ponte/Batt/Batt al ponte:**

The **al ponte** (accented & staccato) is a short, violent, bowed attack almost at bridge, heavily distorted, preferably with a fair distortion tone quality. **Battutto** should be shorter, the bow hitting more from above, less violent and with less attack noise /distortion, but still heavily attacked .The **battutto al ponte** likewise, but closer to the bridge producing more distortion. In all versions the sensation of pitch are to be kept intact.

■ This sign indicates heavy bow pressure producing a scratch sound with much distortion. In pp areas to indicate a similar sound; a sort of damped, dead distortion sound.

↓ "Hairy sound", almost no bow pressure, barely audible. Pitch audible, some distortion, but the sound from the hair dominating.

**Natural harmonics** written as diamond shaped note head at actual position on given string.(roman numerals) Small note in brackets indicates actual sound.

**gliss:** the form of curve to be followed as an approximate gesture.

→ gradually transition from one state to another (f.ex from sul p to sul t: p → T :)

to pos → Action physically to be continued until reaching position for producing next sound or until finished.(f.ex.end of bow) May modify the indicated durations.

**tremolos, trills and grace notes** always as fast as possible.

**glissando** beginnibg or ending on grace note means start/stop subito without accentuating.Glissando line may indicate approximate intended gesture.

## PERFORMING INSTRUCTIONS

### PLAY-ACTOR / RECITER

#### SPOKEN WORDS:

The text should mostly be read with normal german phrasing, naturally read without too much exaggeration, mostly rather slow. For timing see "measure". Open space may indicate brakes, but the recitation is mostly following its own natural pace, relatively independent from the other voices and modifying durations given. Meaning; It is to a certain degree open to interpretation whether open space means a brake or prolonged speech. Beginning of words or sentences, however, may often indicate a certain preferred coordination, and of course the dotted lines are to be taken in consideration. A certain degree of speed interpretation of reading is thus needed to be able to finish the text naturally before the next entrance. Often will the pace of the spoken words be leading the other voices.

The note lines are kept in order to, anyway in a few places, indicate relative pitch level, measures and phrasing, mostly one at a time:

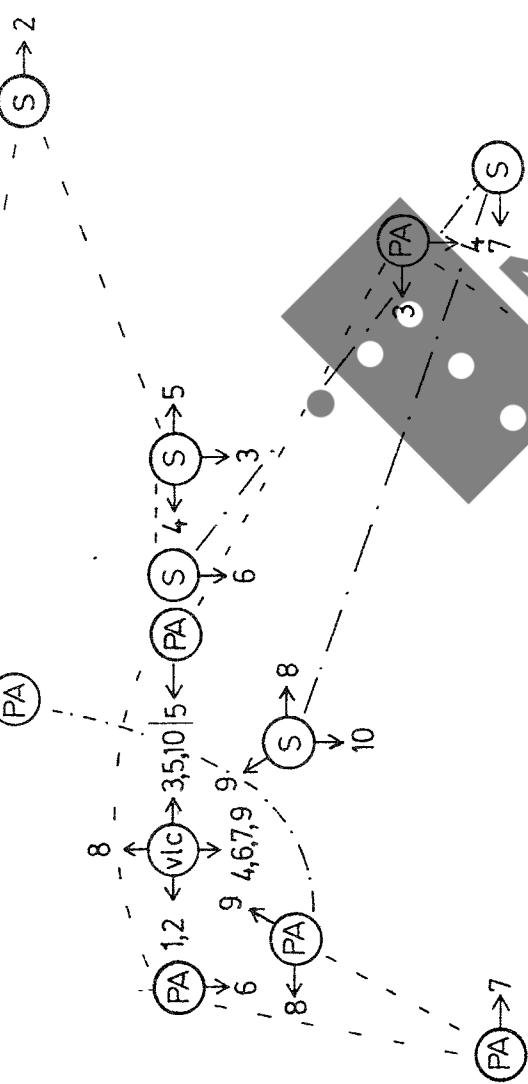
**The pitch** are never given accurate, and the note lines are only a sort of representation of the whole voice range, the note indications to be considered propositional within such a setting, thus of course extremely approximate. The noteheads are therefore always x-shaped to give remembrance to this.

**Glissando** like patterns are indications of phrasing, whenever a more specific interpretation of gesture is required.

## POSITIONS

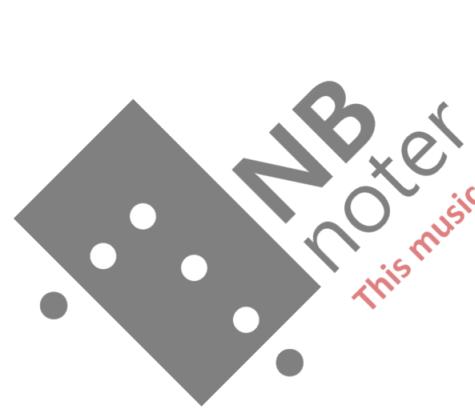
Performing this work includes the choreography as shown on this page.

The importance of the positions are symbolic, not that of accuracy, neither that of acting, and should by no means give a dramatic impression. To be carried out relaxed and natural. Actual stage to be taken in account.



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Musical score for soprano, vcl, and play-actor. The score includes dynamic markings such as  $\text{f}$ ,  $\text{p}$ ,  $\text{mf}$ ,  $\text{pp}$ ,  $\text{f}$ ,  $\text{pizz}$ ,  $\text{arcosulp}$ ,  $\text{gett}$ ,  $\text{mp}$ ,  $\text{fff}$ ,  $\text{sss}$ ,  $\text{ppp}$ ,  $\text{port}$ ,  $\text{a-a-a-a}$ ,  $\text{A-}$ ,  $\text{ff}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}\text{clb}$ ,  $\text{(colcrispi)}$ ,  $\text{l-let battal parte!}$ , and  $\text{auf}$ . The vocal line features lyrics "Alles scheint" and "auf". The play-actor part includes a graphic of a person.

*(transformation according to german pronunciation)*

negativ, weil wir wollen - je positiver wir werden, desto negativer wird die Welt

men,

um uns her - bis am Ende keine Negationen mehr seyn wird -

Handwritten musical score for voice and cello. The vocal part includes lyrics and dynamic markings like *f*, *p*, *mp*, *ff*, *pp*, *port*, and *trem*. The cello part includes dynamics *f*, *p*, *mp*, *ff*, *pp*, and *gliss*, along with specific techniques like *pizz*, *arco*, *batt al ponte*, *1/2 clgett*, *trem alla punta*, and *cello not to play after this point*.

II

*forced voice f > p*      *light*

*(J: ca 56)*      *full*

*1/2 CLgett*      *CLB*      *1/2 CLT*

*mf*      *p*      *mp*      *pp*      *mf*      *p*      *mf*      *p*

*Die Ph-i lo-s-o-phi*

*spoken*      *J = 56*      *P*

*sind nur Träu-me*

*pizz*      *CLgett gliss*      *ord gett*

*mf*      *mf (rather fast)*      *f > mp*      *mf*      *pp*      *f*      *p*

*ie ist eigentlich Hei-m we- (h)*

*Pos: raise, don't turn*      *Pos: Turn face towards public*

*J = 48*      *port P*      *f > p*      *f > p*      *,>*      *,>*      *,>*      *pp*      *f*      *pp*

*von je-ner hey- math- lich- Welt*

*sult salt*      *ord flaut*      *sul p*      *1/2 CLT*

*mp*      *f > mp*      *mf > p*      *ord, sul p*      *tr*

*Trieb ü-ber-*

*J = 56 mp*      *port*      *sprächgesang*      *J = open*      *mp*      *p*      *sprächgesang*

*die ü-ber-all und nir-gens ist*

*sulp*      *to pos*      *trem alla punta*      *mart alla punta*      *sult*

*PPP*      *mp*      *f*      *mp*      *f > p*      *p*

*-all zu Hau-s-e zu seyn.*

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## III

$\text{♩} = 72$

vibr \*) increase →  $\text{mf}$  — 3 — , f p mp sotto voce  
 Man soll-te stolz auf den Schmerz seyn -

sul p sempre gliss  
 $\text{G: 7}$  — b — gliss  
 PP — # — sub

pp jed- er Schmerz etcetera whisper i- i- ist lei- ne Er- rinn- er- ung

vibr \*) increase → decrease → pizz vibr arco (sul p) 3 — gliss  
 $\text{G: }$  — mp — # — P — # — PP

p 7 uns-ers ho- hen Rangs - s

tr rit (trill slowing down) pp — # —

\*) increase in amplitude as well as speed

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## IV

*lento*

PP — P — φ  
fo  
U

NV → molto vibr  
mp  
Ur a trans → e

hairy sound \*)  
ord, sult flaut  
sult  
to pos → sul p  
trem all a punta  
al ponte sul p  
sfz p

p  
p, slowly

Wir suchen überall das Unbeding-te

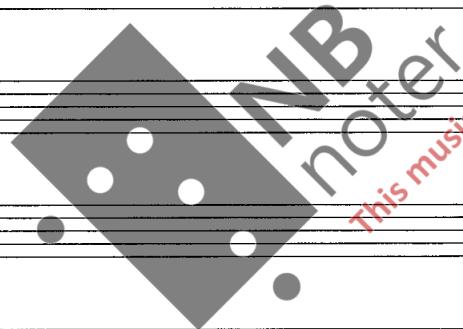
f

i i i i i

(sul p) (sul p) sult cbs  
pp — φ pp — P — φ mf

und finden immer nur Dinge

\*) see instructions. No harmonic!



V

*open nasal* - - - - - shout ff

*mf* Die Welt Mähr- chens die

*arco sul p* *tr.* *ord,gett*

*ff f mp* *f port* *port* *mf mf mf*

*de-s* *ist du*

*mf* *p* *f nasal* *ord* *mp* *d=72*

*der Welt der Wahr- heit und*

*vibr* *sul p* *I# (##)* *trem alla punta* *al ponte* *pizz*

*mf* *vivid, not too fast* *mf* *mf* *mf* *sfz ff p*

*whisper* *geschichte*

*f mp* *p* *mf* *mf* *nasal* *ord* *p port* *d=56*

*e- ben da- da- da-a da-rum ihr so- o-*

*CLB ord mart* *pizz batt* *gett* *d=42 mf trem p*

*mf* *f* *mf* *p* *pizz* *#p*

*wie das*

*d-o d-d durch aus ähn lich In ei nem*

*Chaos der vollendeten Schöpfung*

*mf tr* *p* *d=63 p mf p* *p* *mf mp* *mf > mp*

*ächt en Mähr chen muß a-a al les*

*al ponte sul p* *sfz pp* *hairy sound* *ppp*

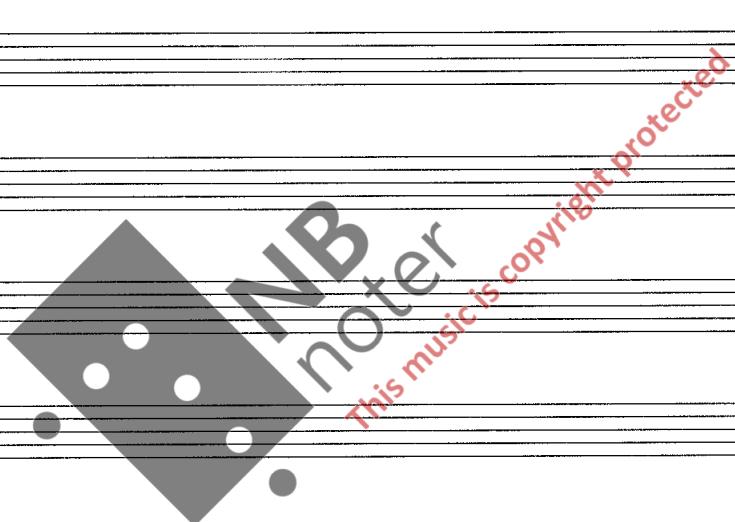
**J = 63**  
**J = 56** P half whisper port PP  
**J = 72** mf vibr → gliss/vibr  
**u** won- der- bar ge - heim - niß - voll und u -  
  
**u** un un un un zu-u zu-u sa- sa- samm- en - häng- end  
  
**vun** whisper mf sa  
  
**a-a** a-al- les be- lebt  
  
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gett # gliss f
ord, gett # mp

allegro  
moderato

**VI**

ff > port mp  
a a sa la-la-la-la me n  
gett gliss al ponte trem alla punta sul p gliss sub batt al ponte pizz arco sul p  
ff imp s/z mp port ff f p sp mf ff  
A e sa sa sa m k

p s  
s (voiced: "z")  
gett flaut/sult CLB trem, poco ff 1/2 CL  
mf > p mf ff > p  
k o sub st v  
p port



## VII

$\text{J} = 42$

*f port* *to* *mf* *port* *(ie)* *f pp > port* *port* *f = p f = p*

ey y seyn i- (ie) Te- e- en- de- e-

con wolff sord (met.)

*f* *f* *st* *d*

*Fr* \_\_\_\_\_

*f pp* *mp* *port* *- - - - -* *> p* *> pp*

e- n des I- i- i- i- i- i- ch

*(con sord)* *hairy sound \** *(sul p)*

*f* *ppp* *mf* *ppp*

*z* *ch* \_\_\_\_\_

$\text{J} = 56$  *p sotto voce (sempre)*  $\text{J} = 84$

*mp = p* *port* *mp* *ord sul p* *gett* *gloss* *sul p*

da- as Ve- e- er- mö- gen fre(y)- y- y-  
zu seyn

*PPP* *mf* *PP* *mf* *PP* *mf* *PP*

*P, PPPP* *P* *3* *3* *mp* *port*

-y- y- y ist die pro- o- o- o- duc- ti-

*gloss* *(sul p)* *(b)* *P*

*PPP* *fp*

*P* *P* *mp* *P* *f pp* *P* *PP* *mf* *P*

i- ve I- i- i- i- ma- gi- na- tion

*V* *V* *V* *sul p* *mf* *P*

har- mo- nie

♩ = open  
 PP  
 #  
 die  
 i-  
 hrer  
 Thä-  
 des  
 sul p  
 flaut (sult)  
 b  
 fp  
 half whispered  
 be- dingung  
 -tig- keit  
 mf  
 PPI  
 mf  
 topos → trem alla punta  
 sul p  
 pp  
 mf  
 mf  
 p  
 port  
 , mf  
 p  
 3  
 p  
 d=66

Pos: turn head away from public

Musical score page 10 featuring two staves. The top staff shows a soprano vocal line with lyrics "e- e- e- bens- s se(y)- y" and dynamic markings (port, pp, mf) at the end. The bottom staff shows a flute part with dynamics (pp, p, f, ff), articulations (gliss, sforzando, tremolo), and performance techniques (topos, trem. alla punta, sul ponte, gliss). A large red watermark "N.B. Notes. This music is copyright protected" is overlaid across the page.

PBS: turn head slowly back

*d = open (~72)*

p  
->pp  
*f* sub pp  
des o- ber- sten Zwecks  
al ponte sul p  $\frac{1}{2}$  CLT  
pp marcato *f* >p pp mp  $\phi$  mp (f)

Handwritten musical score for voice and piano, featuring lyrics in German. The score includes dynamic markings, performance instructions like 'al ponte' and 'batt.', and various musical techniques such as portamento and tremolo.

**Top System:**

- Measure 1: 'zu Seyn' (p, mp)
- Measure 2: 'Frey(y)-y' (mf)
- Measure 3: 'Alles Seyn' (f, 3, p)
- Measure 4: 'oder zu seyn' (1/2 CLT, mp > pp, 1/2 CLT tr., mp, mp)
- Measure 5: 'All es Seyn' (al ponte, batt., f, 3, mf)

**Second System:**

- Measure 6: 'Seyn ü- ber- haupt' (pp, p, pp)
- Measure 7: 'Ü- ber- haupt' (CLB, mf, mp, 1/2 CLT)

**Third System:**

- Measure 8: 'a- als Frey- seyn Schwe- ben' (f > mp, f port, mp, mf port, p, pp)
- Measure 9: 'nicht' (arco, sub p, trem, f p, mp, f, pp, PPP)

**Fourth System:**

- Measure 10: 'zwi- isch- en E- e- e- e- ex- tre- men -ie noth-' (mf, p, f, p, f, p, f, p, f, p, sub f, p)
- Measure 11: 'vd'

**Fifth System:**

- Measure 12: 'u- ver- e- e- e- er- ein- i- gen' (PP, f, p, f, p, f, p, f, p, f, p, f, p)
- Measure 13: 'Wor- di- PIZZ' (mf, p, pp)

J = 56      *mf* → *PPP*      *p* spoken      *mp*      *molto vibr* → *mf*  
*wen-dig*      *zu tren-nen*      *Aus dies-*  
*und noth-*      *sind*

*PP*      *P*      *rit-al*      *b*      *port*      *port*      *mp*      *mf*      *mp*      *J = 84*  
*-em Licht-punct*      *des Schwe-e-ben*      *strö-ö-ö-ö-ömt*      *alle*      *Re-e-a-li-*

*port*      *mf* → *PP*      *mf*      *mp*      *port*      *f > p*      *mf* → *mp*  
*-tät- aus*      *in ihm*      *ist*      *all-*

*sulp trem*      *mf* → *o*      *al ponte*      *sulp gliss*  
*(sulp)*      *damp sulp*      *gliss*

*mf*      *p* → *pp*      *f > p*      *mp* → *pp*      *open, slower*      *p*      *p*      *mf*  
*-es ge-*      *ha ha-a-a-alt-en*      *O- ob- object*      *und*      *Sub- je-*  
*(mf)*      *PP 3 mf*      *p* → *pp*      *f*      *PPP*      *f*      *mf*      *(mf)*

*Ich heit oder pro-*  
*\*) vla: If end tone reached before soprano enters, keep endtone.*

*PP*      *mp* → *p*      *p < f > p*      *mp*      *port*      *J = 96*      *mf*      *mp* → *pp*      *ppp*  
*e- ect*      *sind durch ihn*      *nicht er*      *du urch sie.*

*1/2 CLT*      *3*  
*(mf)*

*ductive Imaginationskraft bestimmt,- producirt*

*dreamy* > *thoughtful, silent*

die Extreme, das wozwischen geschwebt wird - Dieses ist

Sonst ist es et- was durchaus Re- a- a-a-a-

(arco)  
 pizz CLB gett  
 PP P mp explaining

eine Täuschung, aber nur im Gebie te des gemeinen Ver standes.

Re- a- a- a- a- les *f* = 48 f 3 p mf pp  
 denn das Schwe- ben

sul p sempre trem (finger)  
 trem (bow) gett trem  
 pp

denn das Schwe- ben

ist der Quell -ie Ma-  
 (sul p) al ponte  
 mf pp mp p sfz f  
 v.d. -ter

*d=63* spoken

alter Re- a- li- tät die

CLB PIZZ CLB PIZZ CLB PIZZ CLB

mp mf mp ff f mf f mf f

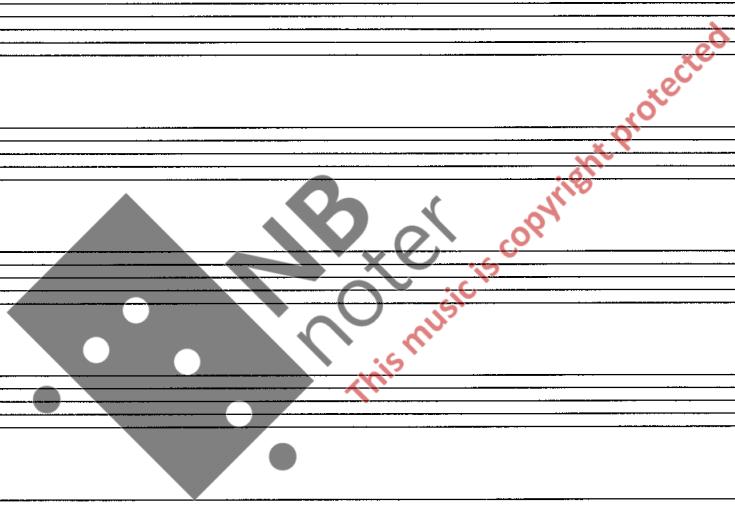
re vi v.v.

mf port Re- sub a- a- a- li- tä- tä- tä- tät selbst

CLB CL gett CLB CLB (CLB)

mf mp sfz ff mf mp

de



J=60      **VIII**

Das Un-be-kannte, Ge-e-e-e- heim-niß-voll-e

CLB fast as possible gliss       $\frac{1}{2} CL$  gett      arco (col crisi)      al ponte sulp trill

ff quite fast, loud

Nur das Unvollständige kann begriffen Werden

ist die Resul-tat, und der A-a-an-fa-a-a-ang von A-a-all-em

CLB al ponte sulp trill      CLB fast as possible rit gliss      ord sulp salt      sulp  $\frac{1}{2} CLT$  (sulp)

mf      ff      f      pp      pp      pp      pp

kann uns weiter führen. Das Vollständige sind

Ru he      Ru he

ord (sulp) tremalla punta      silent

nur genossen      Ru he      Ruhe

und gebildete Unbegreiflichkeit

## IX

$\text{♩} = 54$

$p < f > p$       PPP      mp      pp

Scham      sch - a - m      ist      wohl

con sord met (wolff)

mp

ist wohl

pp

ist      wohl

con sord (wolff)      sempre sul p /  $\frac{1}{2}$  CLT

mf      p

x scham      ist      wohl

ppp

mp

ein      Ge-e-e-fühl      sch - a - a

mf      resistant

scham      ist      whol      ein      Gefühl      der      Profanazion.

V

pp

a - a - a -      a - am      still - schwei - gend

mp      pp

mf, explaining

pp

Fre und schaft,      Liebe      und      Pietät      sollten      geheimnißvoll

gett gliss

CLB

$\frac{1}{2}$  CLT      sul p      sempre

p, intimate

pp

behandelt werden.      Man      sollte      nur      in      selten,

ein- ver- ste- hen  
 PP >  
 vertrauten Momenten davon reden, sich stillschweigend darüber  
 PP mp PPP silent

zu zart  
 sim hairy sound (slop) 1/2 CLT gett b  
 P PP >

einverstehen. Vieles ist zu zart zu zart  
 no- ch mehr - um  
 CLB 1/2 CLT slop pizz (—) t.v.  
 um' gedacht

mf port mp mp  
 be- spro- ch- en zu werd- en

X

*d=60 mf*

A a-a-a-a a a-a-a a alles Gu-te

*senza sord* *1/2CLB* *gett* *mf* *port* *p* *mp* *trem* *gliss* *f* *p* *mf*

Alles Gute in der

*mf* *ko-* *ommt von* *i-i-i-i-i-* *in-n-e-en* *her* *a-ber*

*sulp* *mart* *al ponte* *CLB* *gett* *ord* *>1/2CLB* *tr* *gliss* *f* *PP*

Welt und also ihr von Außen

*f* *es blitzt* *nu-u-u-u-u-* *ur hi-* *in-durch* *a,* *PP*

*intr* *ord* *PPP* *P* *mf* *PP mf* *mf slow, distinct* *PP*

Das Ausgezeichnete

*f* *a-ber e-* *e-e-es mu-u-u-uß auch* *port* *bald* *fort.*

*CLB* *mp* *CLB* *mp*

bringt die Welt weiter,