## - PLAYING HABERMAS -COMMUNICATION IN ACTION

- For 2 saxophones -

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## PERFORMANCE-NOTES

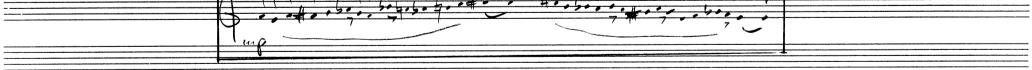
- 1: The players start to play positioned at opposite sides of the stage, as far back as possible. Alternately behind the andience.
  - While playing the separate sequences, the players walk slowly in a straight line towards the edge of the stage, then turns against the centre facing each other. continue to walk an play until you reach the middle of the stage, there you stop to walk, and continue synchronized to part II. First time the sequence must be played as notated, in the following repetitions there can be some alterations: the fermatas can be skipped or repositioned, but there must never be more than three in a row. It's also possible to insert pauses up to 5 seconds.
  - Inserts: stop and look at the other player 2-5 times during the walking, as if you suddenly became aware of his/her existence. Duration part I:2-3 minutes.
- II: Play as notated. If B starts to play while A is holding a long note, A must cut off immediately – as broken off in the middle of a sentence. The dotted lines indicate synchronized starting points.
- III: The performare can choose between the partly notated version (IIII § III2) and the open improvised version.
  III 1: player B stands still while player A circles around him/her, while trying to modulate the musical character in direction of the other character. Player B stubbornly holds on to his/her musical character and expression.
  III 2: Opposite player A stands still while player B circles around him/her. Both players must use one minute each minimum.
- IV : Both players walk slowly out of the stage, following the opposite route as in part
   I. As in part I, the players must stop occasionally and look at each other, simultaneously or individually.
  - There are the same possibilities of variation as in part 1.
  - Approximately 80% of the last part must contain approximately 20% material derived from the other character. In the remaining 20% the characters are unchanged and unaffected of the other. Duration part IV : 2-3 minutes.
  - The score is transposed
  - Duration : Approximately 10 minutes, depending on the size of the room.
  - "Playing Habermas" was premiered by Erik Nerheim and Gudrun Faleide Fristad at "The Scandinavian Saxophone Festival" in Aarhus, Denmark April 2011.
  - "Playing Habermas" can be played by other types of saxophones than notated, for example alto and tenor, alto and baritone, tenor and baritone as long as the two characters remains as opposite and polarized expressions.

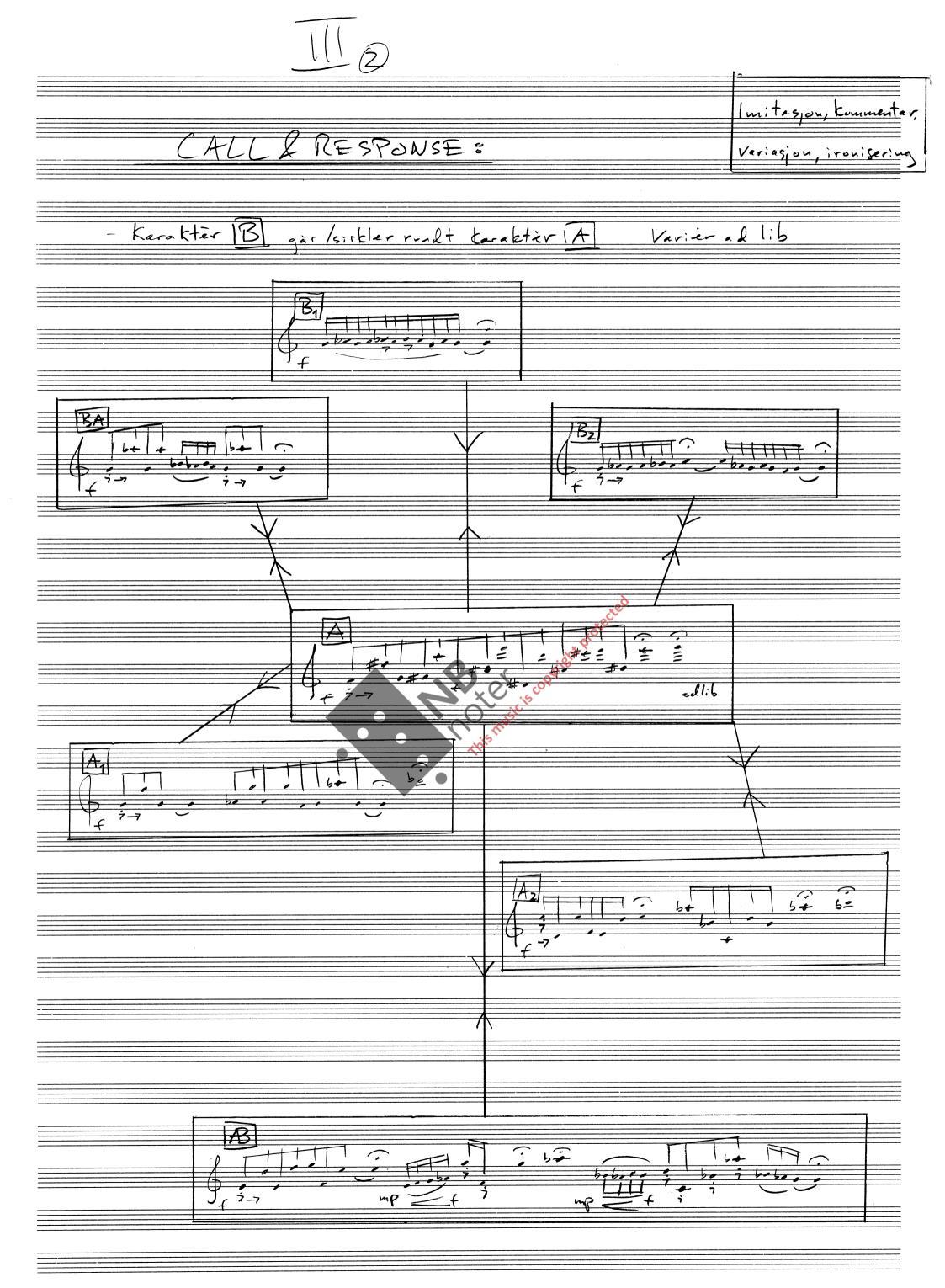
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