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Gonçalo Gato

Two Different Pieces

for violin and piano

Programme notes:

Two Different Pieces were born as a compositional impulse tied to imagination and spontaneity. Compositional knowledge is always present in some way in pieces I write, but, in this case, composition is not so much based in systematic processes and techniques as in creativity arising each moment. In spite of this of the risks involved, it is a search for freshness, and a search for the immense potential one can find outside safe and tested compositional techniques. *Vortex* explores the idea of spiral, as well as something that contracts and accelerates. *Arch* derives from the piano part which features an arch-like melodic shape each bar.

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Execution notes:

- The dynamic ***n*** means *niente*, silence.
- Umeasured tremolo on the violin is always notated by using a 'z' on the note stem.
- Although glissandi on the piano are precisely notated, there exists a degree of freedom in executing its gestures. This is also true for the notated rhythm.
- The section starting on bar 62 is notated without time signature in order to easily accommodate piano figurations. The violin interventions are cued by the piano line.

Vortex

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$\text{♩} = 60$

Violin

Piano

pp *mf* *pp*

Red.
una corda

7

sul pont. $\rightarrow$ ord.

Vln.

fp

Pno.

fpp

9

Sul A

/ - as fast as possible (repeat)

Vln.

f *p*

Pno.

pp sempre

11 $\text{♩} = 92$

Sul E

Vln.

mf

Pno.

f *pp* *p* *pp*

14

Vln.

Pno.

\ - as fast as possible

pp legato
gradually slow down tremolo

(legato)

17

Vln.

Pno.

continuing piano's high D pulse

pizz.

mp

arco

Sul D

p

pp, legato sempre

19

Vln.

Pno.

pp

pp sempre

f

progress down to final pitch

21

Vln.

Pno.

p

sul pont.

tr

gliss.

mf

n

p

pp

23

Vln.

Pno.

bow on bridge
prominent written pitch

pp

mf

p

pppp

pp

pppp

z - unmeasured tremolo

3

sul pont.

ord.

26

Vln.

Pno.

ppp

p

una corda

28

Vln.

Pno.

pp

ppp

8^{va}

30

Vln.

Pno.

f

5

32

Vln.

Pno.

p

f

pp

gliss. 8^{va}

34

Vln.

Pno.

p

f

8^{va}

3

The musical score consists of five systems, each with a Violin (Vln.) and Piano (Pno.) part. The time signature is 4/4. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The score includes various dynamics such as *ppp*, *p*, *pp*, *f*, and *ppp*. It also features articulations like *una corda*, *gliss.*, and *8^{va}*. The score is marked with measure numbers 26, 28, 30, 32, and 34. The Piano part includes complex rhythmic patterns and trills. The Violin part includes long notes and trills. The score is written for a single violin and piano.

44 $\text{♩} = 80$

Vln. *sul tasto* *ord.* *gliss.* *p legato* *f* *p*

Pno. *p* *ppp* *pp* *Ped.*

48 *f* *pp* *mf* *pp* *fp* *tr* *Ped.*

Pno. *Ped.*

49 *(tr)* *sul pont.* *mf* *ord.* *gliss.* *5* *continuing violin line* *8va* *Ped.*

Vln. *5* *p* *pp* *tallone ord.* *f* *p* *fff*

Pno. *f subito* *ff* *ff* *mp* *Ped.*

52 *poco arpeggiando* *sul pont.* *p* *fff*

Vln. *fff*

Pno. *ff* *ff* *mp* *Ped.*

53

Vln.

Pno.

mf *pp*

54

Vln.

Pno.

f *gliss.* *fff* *p* *f*

55

Vln.

Pno.

ff *f* *tr* *3* *6:4* *Ped.*

56

Vln.

Pno.

mf *pp* *8va* *8vb* *sul pont.* *ff*

57

Vln.

Pno.

ff *p* *mp*

Violin (Vln.) part: Starts at measure 58 with a triplet of eighth notes (F#4, G#4, A4) marked *pizz. l.v. (non arp.)* and *ff*. This is followed by a *simile* section with another triplet of eighth notes (F#4, G#4, A4) marked *ff*.

Piano (Pno.) part: Features a complex rhythmic pattern in the right hand, primarily consisting of eighth and sixteenth notes, marked *ff*. The left hand plays a steady eighth-note accompaniment, marked *p*. The piece concludes with a final chord in the right hand and a sustained note in the left hand.

59

Vln.

Pno.

ff (non gliss.)

simile

Violin (Vln.) part: Starts at measure 61 with a forte (*f*) dynamic. It features a long, sustained note with a glissando (gliss.) marking and a crescendo leading to a piano (*p*) dynamic.

Piano (Pno.) part: Features a complex, rapid, and dense melodic line with a forte (*f*) dynamic. It includes a glissando (gliss.) marking and a crescendo leading to a piano (*p*) dynamic.

Pedal (Ped.) part: Features a complex, rapid, and dense melodic line with a forte (*f*) dynamic. It includes a glissando (gliss.) marking and a crescendo leading to a piano (*p*) dynamic.

62

Vln.

jeté

gliss.

p

p

Pno.

63 *pizz.*
mf

Vln.

Pno.

64

Vln.

Pno.

8^{va}

accel.

65

Vln.

Pno.

pp *legato* *cresc.*

arco, molto sul tasto
Sul G+D+A

gliss.

(sustain)

pp

66

Vln.

Pno.

gliss.

sul pont.

mf

sempre Sul G+D+A

gliss.

67

Vln.

Pno.

gliss.

(bow on bridge)

f

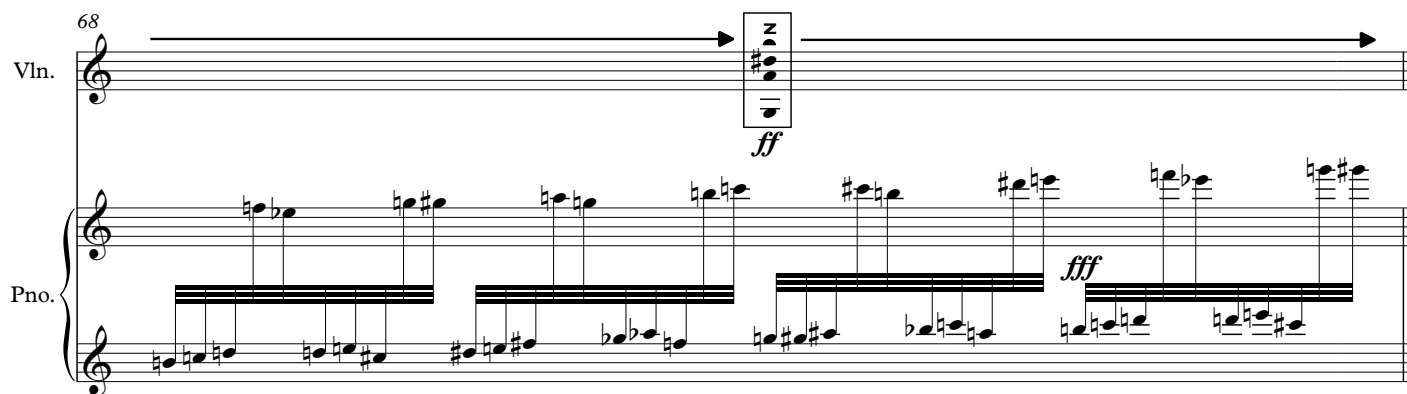
68

Vln.

Pno.

ff

fff



A tempo, ♩ = 80

69

Vln.

Pno.

ff

gliss.
15^{ma}

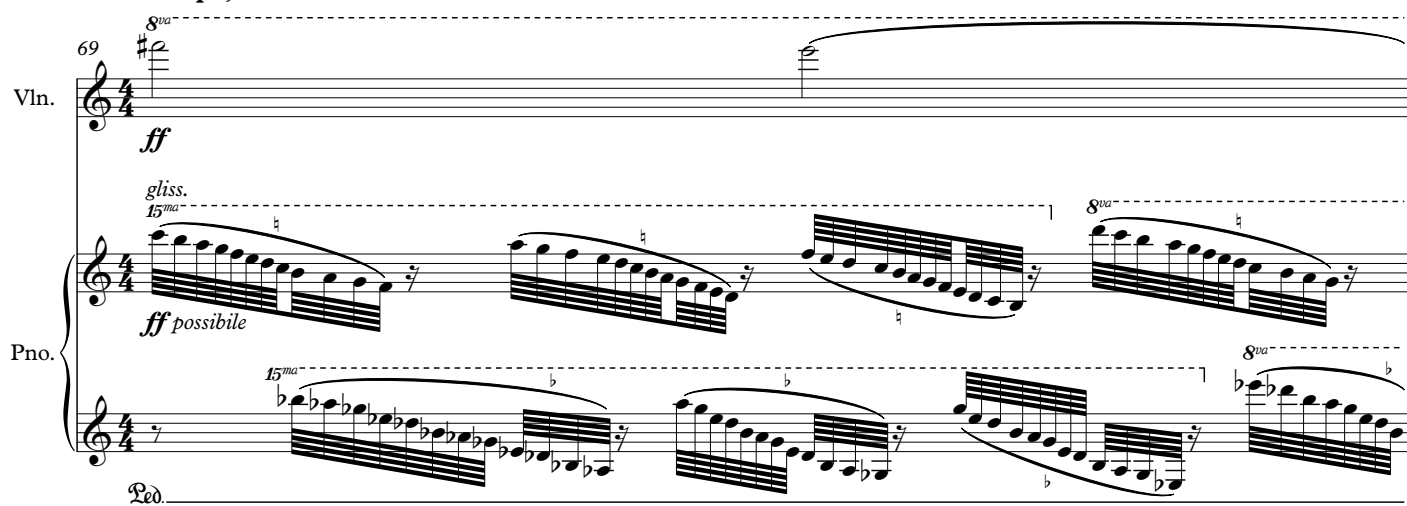
ff possibile

8^{va}

15^{ma}

8^{va}

Red.



70

Vln.

Pno.

3

8^{va}

8^{va}

8^{va}



71

Vln.

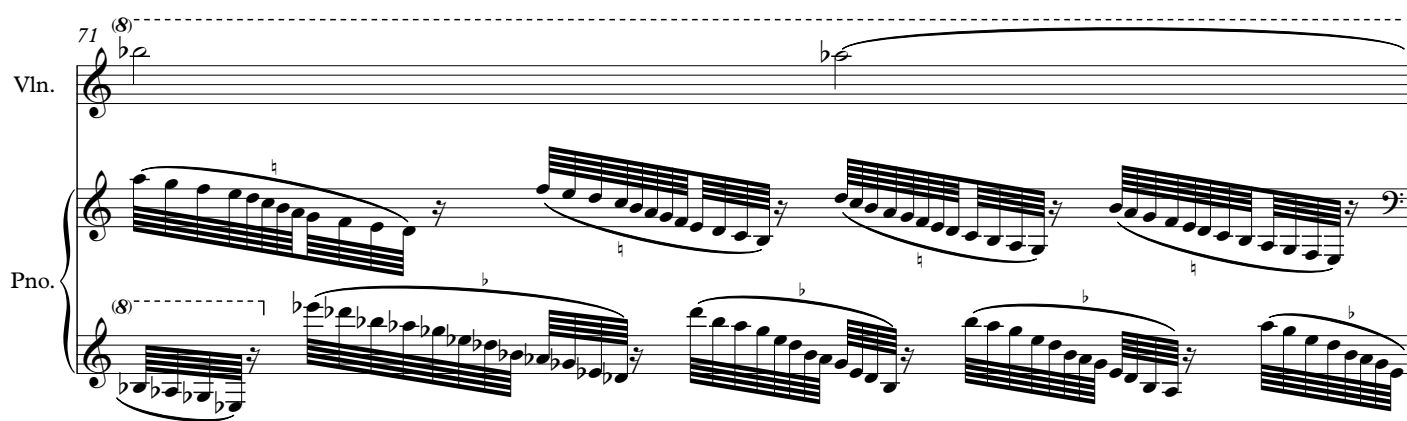
Pno.

8^{va}

8^{va}

8^{va}

8^{va}



72 (8)

Vln.

Pno.

73

Vln.

Pno.

74

Vln.

Pno.

75

Vln.

Pno.

76

Vln.

Pno.

port.

port.

(15)

(8)

(8)

15^{mb}

8^{vb}

8^{vb}

(≈ 6")

n

(≈ 6")

15^{mb}

(8)

Arch

Violin $\text{♩} = 52$

Piano

ord. → sul pont. ord.

p *p* *pp* < *mf* >

Vln.

Pno.

6 *pp* *fp* *fp* *mf* > *pp* *f* *p* *f* < *ff* > *p*

molto sul pont. *ord.* *Sul E* *sul tasto* *ord.* *jeté* *Sul E*

Vln.

Pno.

11 *fp* *p* < *f* *p* < *f* *f* *f* > *p* *f* > *p* *f* > *p* *f* *ppp* *8va*

Sul D *3*

Vln.

Pno.

15 *f* *p* *pp* *p*

7 *3* *tr* *(repeat)* *gliss.* *gliss.* *Sul D*

8va *silently depress cluster*

18

harmonic trill

Sul E $\flat$

sul tasto

sul pont. tallone

pizz. arco

ord. gliss.

pizz. Sul A+E

Vln.

Pno.

p *f* *p* *p* *mp*

23

arco Sul G

Sul A

gliss.

trill

3:2

molto vib.

ord.

trill

sul pont. 8va

Vln.

Pno.

p *p* *ff* *mp* *ff* *ff* *mp* *mp* *f*

26

ord.

gliss.

gliss.

Sul E

gliss.

Vln.

Pno.

pp *mf* *pp* *ff* *p* *ff*

28

6

gliss.

8va

3

3:2

Vln.

Pno.

f *p* *f* *p* *ppp* *f*

31 *sul pont.* *ord.* *6:4* *6* *7* *sul tasto*

Vln. *mp* *ff* *p* *f* *p* *ff* *p*

Pno. *15^{ma}* *mp* *pp* *f* *p*

(8) *8^{va}*

33 *punta d'arco* *ord.*

Vln. *ppp* *pp* *p*

Pno. *15^{ma}* *8^{va}*

36

Vln. *pp* *mp*

Pno.

38 *molto rit.*

Vln. *pp* *mp*

Pno. *8^{va}* *pppp*