

Stuart MacRae

Ixion

Instrumentation

Clarinet in B flat
Violoncello
Piano

Duration c.15-16 minutes

The clarinet part is transposed (in B flat) in the score.

Performance note

Ixion has 8 'moments' which are numbered 1-8 in the score.

In performance, these should run without a break between moments.

Accidentals apply to the whole bar, until cancelled.

In the clarinet part, 'timbral trills' denote a rapid alternation between the notated pitch and either another fingering for that pitch or a microtonal pitch close to the notated pitch.

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University of Glasgow. The performers were Yann Ghiro (clarinet),
Duncan Strachan (cello) and Simon Smith (piano).

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1 **Powerfully**
♩ = 48

Clarinet in B♭

Violoncello
pizz
Powerfully
♩ = 48
fff

Piano
fff
fff
fffz
Red.

Cl.
3
ff *mf* *f* *mp* *sfz* *mp*

Vc.
3
sfz
non arp.

Pno.
3
fffz
Red.

The musical score is for a piece titled 'Ixion' by Stuart MacRae. It is a score for a chamber ensemble consisting of Clarinet in Bb, Violoncello, Piano, Clarinet, Violoncello, and Piano. The score is marked 'Score transposed'. The tempo is 1/4 = 48. The first section is marked '1 Powerfully' and 'Powerfully'. The Violoncello part has a 'pizz' (pizzicato) instruction. The Piano part has a 'Red.' (Reduction) instruction. The Clarinet part has a '3' (triple) instruction. The Violoncello part has a '3' (triple) instruction. The Piano part has a '3' (triple) instruction. The score includes various musical notations such as dynamics (fff, ff, mf, f, mp, sfz, non arp.), articulation (pizz, Red.), and performance instructions (Powerfully, 1). The score is transposed.

6

Cl. *sfz* *mp* *sfz* *p* *ff* *p* *p* *ff* *p* *p* *ff* *p*

Vc. *sfz* *f* *sfz* *ff* arco

Pno. *sfz* *ff* *sfz* *ff* *sonore* *mp*

Red. *8vb* *Red.*

10 Delicately (at the same tempo)

Cl. *ppp*

Vc. *ppp*

Pno. *ppp* *pp* *una corda* *8vb*

Red.

14 ②

Cl. *pp*

Vc. *pp* *p* *pp* *p*

Pno. *8*

23

Cl.

2a

5

3

pppp

ppp

mp

Vc.

pizz

3

5

arco

pizz

arco

pp

p

pp

³p

mp

Pno.

5

3

3

Ped.

tre corde

26

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

p *mp* *p*

p *mp* *p*

mp *mf*

III

2b

29 a little faster ♩ = 60

Cl.

f

7

3

3

3

ff

Vc.

I.

f

5

3

II

3

3

3

ff

mf

ff

a little faster ♩ = 60

f

ff

3

5

3

tr

Pno.

ff

5

3

Ped.

2c

32 a tempo ♩ = 48

Cl. *espr.* *p* *mp* *pp* *p* *pp* *mp* *pp* *mp* *pp*

Vc. *p* *mp* *pp* *p* *pp* *mp* *pp* *mp* *pp*

Pno. *p* *una corda* *pp*

Ped.

2d

Cl. *mp* *pp* *p espr.*

Vc. *mp* *pp*

Pno. *pp*

Ped.

Cl. *ppp* *rit.* *a tempo* *rit.* *a tempo*

Vc. *ppp* *rit.* *a tempo* *rit.* *a tempo*

Pno. *ppp* *rit.* *a tempo* *rit.* *a tempo*

Ped.

46 **Extremely delicately** **3**

Cl. *ppp* *pp* **3**

Vc. *ppp*

Pno. *ppp* **Extremely delicately** *8va* **3** **5** *8vb* *Ped.*

50 **3a**

Cl. *ppp* *pp* *ppp* **3**

Vc. *ppp*

Pno. *8vb* **3** **3**

53

Cl. *ppp* **3** **3**

Vc. *ppp*

Pno. *8va* **5** **5** **5** *8vb* **3**

57 3b

Cl. *ppp*

Vc. *ppp*

Pno. *ppp*

tre corde *una corda* $\frac{1}{2}$ Ped. *Ped.* *8^{vb}*

61

Cl. *pp* *pp* *ppp*

Vc.

Pno.

Ped. *Ped.*

66 3c

Cl.

Vc.

Pno. *pp* *ppp*

Ped. *8^{vb}*

73 **With an increasing sense of motion and energy**

Cl. *ppp* [2.3] [3.2]

Vc. *ppp* [2.3] [3.2]

Pno. **With an increasing sense of motion and energy** *pp* [2.3] [3.2]

Ped.
tre corde

77 *trem. (unmeasured)* [2.3.2] [2.3.2] [2.3.2] *ppp* *p* *ppp* *p* *ppp* *trem. (unmeasured)*

Cl. [3.2.2] [3.2.2]

Vc. [3.2.2]

Pno. [3.2.2] [3.2.2]

Ped. *Ped.* *8va*

80 **4a** *timbral* *p* *ppp* *p* *ppp*

Cl. *p* *ppp*

Vc. *p*

Pno. *ppp espr.* *trem. (unmeasured)*

(senza Ped.)

83

Cl. *timbral* *p* *pp* *mp*

Vc.

Pno. *p* *pp* *8va* *8vb*

86

Cl. *(tr)* *mf* *pp* *timbral*

Vc. *mp* *pp*

Pno. *mp* *(8)*

90

Cl. *(timbral)* *(tr)* *p* *pp*

Vc. *p*

Pno. *ppp* *mp* *3* *3* *3* *3* *8va* *8vb*

83-94 Musical score for Clarinet (Cl.), Violoncello (Vc.), and Piano (Pno.). The score is divided into three systems. The first system (measures 83-85) features the Clarinet with a *timbral* effect and dynamics *p*, *pp*, and *mp*. The Violoncello and Piano parts are also present, with the Piano having a *pp* dynamic and an *8vb* marking. The second system (measures 86-89) includes a measure number '4b' in a circle above measure 87. The Clarinet has a *(tr)* marking and dynamics *mf* and *pp*, with a *timbral* effect. The Violoncello has dynamics *mp* and *pp*. The Piano has a *mp* dynamic and a *(8)* marking. The third system (measures 90-94) features the Clarinet with a *(timbral)* effect and a *(tr)* marking, and dynamics *p* and *pp*. The Violoncello has a *p* dynamic. The Piano has a *ppp* dynamic, a *mp* dynamic, and a *3* marking, with *8va* and *8vb* markings.

92 **4c**

Cl. *p*

Vc. *sul pont*
poco ff *sim.*

Pno. *pp*

93

Cl. *mp*

Vc. *mp* *mf* *5*

Pno. *p* *8va* *3*

94

Cl. *6* *6* *(sp)* *6* *nat.* *6* *3* *6*

Vc. *> p* *submf* *5*

Pno. *mp* *pp* *5* *5* *5* *5* *5* *8vb*

95

Cl. *mf* 3 *f* 6 3 5

Vc. *f* 5 5

Pno. *mp* 5 5 5 5 5 3 5 3

96

4d

Cl. 5 5 5 3 5 5

Vc. *ff*

Pno. *ff* 3 *mf* 5 *ff* *ff* Ped.

97

Cl. 5 5 *f*

Vc. *f*

Pno. *ff* 8va *mf* 6 6 6

Detailed description: This musical score page contains three systems of music for measures 95, 96, and 97. The instruments are Clarinet (Cl.), Violoncello (Vc.), and Piano (Pno.).
- Measure 95: Cl. has a melodic line with dynamics *mf* and *f*, and fingerings 3, 6, 3, 5. Vc. has a sustained note with dynamic *f* and fingering 5. Pno. has a complex texture with a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand, with dynamics *mp* and fingerings 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 3, 5, 3.
- Measure 96: Cl. has a melodic line with fingerings 5, 5, 5, 3, 5, 5. Vc. has a sustained note with dynamic *ff*. Pno. has a complex texture with a melody in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand, with dynamics *ff*, *mf*, and *ff*, and fingerings 3, 5, 3. A *Ped.* (pedal) marking is present.
- Measure 97: Cl. has a melodic line with fingerings 5, 5, and dynamic *f*. Vc. has a sustained note with dynamic *f*. Pno. has a complex texture with a melody in the right hand (marked *8va*) and a bass line in the left hand, with dynamics *ff* and *mf*, and fingerings 6, 6, 6.

Cl. 98 *ff* *f* *ff*

Vc. *fff*

Pno. *fff*

6 6 3 8vb

99

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

f *ff* *f*

mf

6 6 6 6

(8) Ped

101

Cl.

f *ff* *ffff*

Vc.

(8)

Pno.

6 6 6 6

8^{vb}

Red.

102 (4e)

Cl.

ff *mf*

Vc.

ffff

Pno.

8^{va}

f

104

Cl.

Vc.

p

Pno.

6 6 6 6 6 6

mp

105

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

pp

pp

6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

106

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

6 6 6 6 6

108

5 With poise

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

pp

pp

5 5 5 5 5 5 5

With poise

110

Cl. *5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5*

Vc.

Pno. *8va* *p* *pp* *Ped.*

112

Cl. *7 3:2 5 5*

Vc. *pp* *8va* *7 7*

Pno. *f* *p* *8va* *3 3*

114

Cl. *5a* *5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5*

Vc.

Pno. *mp* *pp* *8va*

117

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

pp

mp

pp

120

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

5b

p

123

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ppp

pp

125 **5c**

Cl.

Vc.

Pizz. *p* arco *ppp*

Pno.

ppp

132 **6** Powerfully

Cl.

Vc.

fff

Powerfully

Pno.

fff

fff

fffz

Red.

134

Cl.

f *fff*

Vc.

fffz

Pno.

136 **6a**

Cl. *fff* *p* *fff*

Vc. *fff*

Pno. *fff* *fff*

8vb *fffz* *8vb*

Ped.

141 **7** *Wistfully* *rit.*

Cl. *pp*

Vc. *pp*

Pno. *pp* *rit.*

una corda *Ped.*

8 Energetically

148 $\text{♩} = 148$

Cl. *mf*

Vc. *mf*

Energetically
 $\text{♩} = 148$

Pno. *mf*
tre corde

154

Cl.

Vc.

Pno. *8^{va}*

159

Cl. **8a**

Vc.

Pno. *8^{va}*

164

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

8^{va}

8^{vb}

168

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

f *mf*

f

a little held back

f

f *mf*

f

a little held back

172 **piu mosso** ♩ = 152

Cl. *f* *mf*

Vc. *f* *mf*

piu mosso ♩ = 152

Pno. *f* *mf* emphasise the upward scales in both hands

8^{va} 15^{ma} 8^{va}

176

Cl.

Vc.

Pno. (15) (8)

180

Cl.

Vc.

Pno. (15) (8)

183

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

cresc.

f *mf*

(15)

15^{ma}

186

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ff *mf* *ff*

8c

ff

(15)

8^{vb}
Ped.

190

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

(15)

(8)

193

Cl. *dim.*

Vc. *sempre ff*

Pno. *dim.*

(15)

pedal may be lifted occasionally between indicated places to allow low notes to clear

195

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

(15)

197

Cl. **8d**

Vc. *f*

Pno. *mf* più leggero *r.h. sempre mf* *l.h. dim.*

199

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

202

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

(mf)

-mp dim.

205

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

8e

(mf)

p

208

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ff

mf

ff

ff

f

f poco a poco cresc.

211

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

f

f poco a poco cresc.

215

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

f

f poco a poco cresc.

The musical score is divided into three systems, each spanning four measures. The first system (measures 208-211) shows the Clarinet (Cl.) and Violoncello (Vc.) parts. The Clarinet part has dynamic markings *ff*, *mf*, and *ff*. The Violoncello part has a triplet of eighth notes in measure 211. The Piano (Pno.) part features a complex rhythmic pattern with many beamed notes and rests. The second system (measures 211-214) shows the Clarinet (Cl.) and Violoncello (Vc.) parts. The Clarinet part has a dynamic marking *f*. The Violoncello part has a dynamic marking *f poco a poco cresc.*. The Piano (Pno.) part continues the complex rhythmic pattern. The third system (measures 214-217) shows the Clarinet (Cl.) and Violoncello (Vc.) parts. The Clarinet part has a dynamic marking *f*. The Violoncello part has a dynamic marking *f poco a poco cresc.*. The Piano (Pno.) part continues the complex rhythmic pattern.

218 8f

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

221

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

223

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

225

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

sfz

sim.

15^{ma}

Red.

227

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

15^{ma}

Red.

dim.

8g

229

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

15^{ma}

15^{ma}

pp

225

226

227

228

229

232

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

mf

mf

15^{ma}

┌

235

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

8h

ffz

3

molto

ffz

off the string

ff

15^{ma}

pp

8^{va}

sub. ff

Ped.

238

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

flzg.

ff

8^{va}

ff

(8)

240

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

(8)

242

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

mp

mp

244

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ff

ff

dim.

ff

dim.

246

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ffp

f

mp

248

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ff

sf

mp

250

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ff

sf

ff

sf

ff

252

Cl.

sf *ff* *f*

Vc.

Pno.

Ped.

254

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

256

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

cresc.

258

Cl. *ff* *3* *3*

Vc. *ff*

Pno. *ff* *f* *ff* *f*

Ped. Ped. Ped. sim. *Ped.* *Ped. Ped.*

261

Cl. $\text{♩} = 101.3333$

Vc. $\text{♩} = 101.3333$

Pno. $\text{♩} = 101.3333$ *3* *3* *3* *3*

Ped. sim.

265

Cl. *ff*

Vc. *ff* *ossia:*

Pno. *ff* *Ped.* *sim.*

267

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ff

ff

senza Ped.

col Ped.

Measures 267-270. Clarinet and Violoncello parts feature long, sustained notes with a forte (*ff*) dynamic. The Piano part is characterized by a complex texture of triplets and chords, marked *senza Ped.* (without pedal) until measure 270, where it transitions to *col Ped.* (with pedal). The time signature changes from 3/4 to 3/8 in measure 270.

269

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

fff martellato

senza Ped.

Measures 269-270. Clarinet and Violoncello parts feature long, sustained notes. The Piano part is characterized by a complex texture of triplets and chords, marked *fff martellato* (very fortissimo, hammered) and *senza Ped.* (without pedal). The time signature changes from 3/4 to 4/4 in measure 270.

271

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

Measures 271-272. Clarinet and Violoncello parts feature long, sustained notes. The Piano part is characterized by a complex texture of triplets and chords. The time signature changes from 4/4 to 3/4 in measure 272.

273

Cl. *fff*

Vc. *fff*

Pno. *col Ped.*

33

8k ♩ = 135

275

Cl. *sfp*

Vc. *sfp*

Pno. *sub.mp*

♩ = 135

♩ = 101.333

277

Cl. *ff* *sfp*

Vc. *ff* *sfp*

Pno. *p mf* *Ped.*

♩ = 101.333

280

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ff *sfp*

f *mp* *mf*

ff Ped.

283

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ff

ff

286

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

mp *mp* *p*

288 (81)

Cl. *sfmf*

Vc. *sfmf*

Pno. *mp* *mf*

290

Cl. *mp*

Vc. *mp*

Pno. *p*

292

Cl. *p* *pp*

Vc. *p* *mp*

Pno. *pp*

una corda
Ped.

294

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

Red.

sim.

tre corde una corda tre corde una corda

296

Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

ppp

ppp

ppp

8va

tre corde una corda

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