

Variationen über ein Thema von Robert Schumann

Opus 23

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Thema. Leise und innig

Musical score for the first system (measures 1-12). The instrumentation includes Flute, Oboe, B-flat Clarinet, Bassoon, and Piano. The Flute, Oboe, and B-flat Clarinet play eighth-note patterns. The Bassoon provides harmonic support with sustained notes. The Piano plays a continuous harmonic bass line. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats), and the time signature is common time (indicated by '2'). Dynamics include *p* (pianissimo) and *p dolce*.

Musical score for the second system (measures 13-26). The instrumentation remains the same. The Flute, Oboe, and B-flat Clarinet continue their eighth-note patterns. The Bassoon and Piano provide harmonic support. Measure 13 starts with a forte dynamic. Measures 14-15 show a transition with eighth-note chords. Measures 16-17 show a continuation of the eighth-note patterns. Measures 18-19 show a return to the forte dynamic. Measures 20-21 show a transition with eighth-note chords. Measures 22-23 show a continuation of the eighth-note patterns. Measures 24-25 show a return to the forte dynamic. Measure 26 ends with a forte dynamic.

Musical score for the third system (measures 27-40). The instrumentation remains the same. The Flute, Oboe, and B-flat Clarinet continue their eighth-note patterns. The Bassoon and Piano provide harmonic support. Measure 27 starts with a forte dynamic. Measures 28-29 show a transition with eighth-note chords. Measures 30-31 show a continuation of the eighth-note patterns. Measures 32-33 show a return to the forte dynamic. Measures 34-35 show a transition with eighth-note chords. Measures 36-37 show a continuation of the eighth-note patterns. Measures 38-39 show a return to the forte dynamic. Measure 40 ends with a forte dynamic.

Var. I. L'istesso tempo. Andante molto moderato

fl

cl

p dolce ed espressivo

bn

p dolce ed espressivo

{

p dolce ed espressivo

}

7

fl

ob

cl

bn

{

}

13

cl

bn

{

20

fl cl bn

This section contains six staves of musical notation. The top three staves are for Flute (fl), Clarinet (cl), and Bassoon (bn). The bottom three staves are grouped together by a brace and include Bassoon (bn) on the bass clef staff and two other instruments on the treble clef staff. Measure 20 starts with a rest followed by eighth-note patterns. Measures 21-26 show various rhythmic patterns including eighth-note groups, sixteenth-note patterns, and sustained notes.

27

ob cl bn

This section contains six staves of musical notation. The top three staves are for Oboe (ob), Clarinet (cl), and Bassoon (bn). The bottom three staves are grouped together by a brace and include Bassoon (bn) on the bass clef staff and two other instruments on the treble clef staff. Measure 27 features sustained notes and eighth-note patterns. Measures 28-33 show more complex rhythmic patterns, including sixteenth-note groups and sustained notes.

34

fl ob cl bn

This section contains six staves of musical notation. The top three staves are for Flute (fl), Oboe (ob), and Clarinet (cl). The bottom three staves are grouped together by a brace and include Bassoon (bn) on the bass clef staff and two other instruments on the treble clef staff. Measure 34 starts with rests followed by eighth-note patterns. Measures 35-40 show sustained notes and eighth-note patterns.

Var. II

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fl ob cl bn

p *espressivo*

p *espressivo*

p

5 fl ob cl bn

cresc. *f*

p *cresc.* *f*

f

10 fl ob cl bn

cresc. *cresc.* *cresc.* *cresc.*

cresc. *cresc.* *cresc.* *cresc.*

cresc. *f*

15 8

fl ob cl bn

fl ob cl bn

20 8

fl ob cl bn

fl ob cl bn

26 8

fl ob cl bn

fl ob cl bn

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Var. III

fl *p* *espress.*

ob *p* *espress.*

cl

p 6 6

4

fl *f*

ob *f*

cl *f*

bn

p dolce

p dolce

p dolce

f

p dolce

7

fl *f*

ob

cl

bn

f

poco f

f

p

p

loco

10

fl ob cl bn

p dolce

p

p dolce

14

fl ob cl bn

espress.

espress.

17

fl ob cl bn

cresc.

espress. cresc.

cresc.

cresc.

espress. cresc.

20

fl ob cl bn

più cresc.

23

fl ob cl bn

f express. *cresc.*

f express. *cresc.*

f express. *6 cresc.*

26

fl ob cl bn

f f p

f f p

f f p

6 1. 3 2.

f p

6 1. 3 2.

8

Var. IV

fl

ob

cl

bn

{ bassoon 1 bassoon 2

14

fl

ob

cl

bn

{ bassoon 1 bassoon 2

22

fl ob cl bn db

28

fl ob cl bn db

34

fl ob cl bn p

38

fl ob cl bn p

Var. V. Poco più animato

fl ob cl bn

p dolce

p dolce

p dolce ed express.

p dolce ed express.

8

5

poco cresc.

espress.

espress.

poco cresc.

p dolce

poco cresc.

poco cresc.

poco cresc.

10

poco cresc.

8 loco

15

fl ob cl bn

p dolce *pp*

espress. *pp*

p dolce *pp*

20

fl ob cl bn

cresc. un poco *p*

cresc. un poco *p*

p

25

fl ob cl bn

mf *p* *espress.*

mf *p*

f *espress.*

mf *f*

f

29

fl
ob
cl
bn
db

p (u.c.)
pp (u.c.)
p

33

fl
ob
cl
bn
db

pp
pp

37

fl
ob
cl
bn
db

ff
ff
ff

Var. VI. Allegro non troppo

8

fl ob cl bn

col 8

11

fl ob cl bn

p cresc.

p cresc.

p cresc.

p cresc.

p

14

fl ob cl bn

f

3

f

f

8

6

f 6 6 6 6

17

fl *p legato*

ob *p legato*

cl *p legato*

bn *f* — *p*

f — *p*

f — *p*

col 8 -----

22

fl *p cresc.*

ob *p cresc.*

cl

bn *p cresc.*

p cresc.

p cresc.

col 8 -----

26

fl *f*

ob *f*

cl *f*

bn *f*

1. 2.

8 -----

1. 2.

8

Var.VII

fl *p legato, dolce*

ob *p legato, dolce*

cl *p legato, dolce*

bn

6

fl

ob

cl

bn

12

fl

ob

cl

bn

17 *ad lib. 2nd time only*

fl *p molto espr.*
ob *p molto espr.*
bn *p*

21 *poco a poco crescendo*
ad lib. 2nd time only

ob *poco a poco cresc.*

25 *p legato*
p legato
p legato, dolce
p legato, dolce

8 *p legato*

Var. VIII. Poco più vivo

fl *p dolce ed espress.*

ob *p dolce ed espress.*

bn *p dolce*

p dolce

cl

bn

5

fl

ob

cl *p dolce ed espress.*

bn

10

fl

ob

cl

bn

15

fl ob cl bn

p

p *espr.*

p

p 3 3 3

20

fl ob cl bn

pff

pff

pff 8

25

fl ob cl bn

1. 2.

p

p

8 1. 2. 8

p 3 3

Var. IX ($\bullet = \bullet$)

8

fl ob cl bn

10

fl ob cl bn

12

fl ob cl bn

This musical score page contains four systems of music for a quartet of woodwind instruments: Flute (fl), Oboe (ob), Clarinet (cl), and Bassoon (bn). The key signature is consistently B-flat major (two flats) throughout all systems. Measure 8 begins with a rest followed by eighth-note patterns. Measures 9 and 10 feature sixteenth-note patterns with slurs and dynamic markings like *f* (fortissimo) and *sf* (sforzando). Measure 11 continues with sixteenth-note patterns and includes measure numbers 8 and 12 above the staff. Measure 12 concludes the page with sixteenth-note patterns.

23

fl
ob
cl
bn

26

fl
ob
cl
bn

28

fl
ob
cl
bn

Var. X. Molto moderato, alla marcia

ob cl bn

p *p* *poco a poco cresc.*

p *poco a poco cresc.*

poco a poco cresc.

f

f *cresc.*

f *cresc.*

f

loco

cresc.

ff

ff

ff

ff

9

fl ob cl bn

f

cresc.
cresc.

f cresc.

12

fl ob cl bn

ff

ff

ff

ff

3 3 3 3

14b

1. 2.

fl ob cl bn

p *espress.*

p *espress.*

p *espress.*

p *espress.*

1. 2.

8 loco

Musical score for orchestra, page 18. The score includes parts for flute (fl), oboe (ob), clarinet (cl), and bassoon (bass). The bassoon part features a prominent melodic line with grace notes and slurs. Dynamics include 'p' (piano) and 'p cresc.' (pianissimo crescendo). Measure numbers 18 and 8 are indicated.

21

fl

ob

cl

bn

piano

f — mf — p

f — p

f — mf — p

f — mf — p

3

loco

f — mf — p

8