

# Introduction to OMN The Language

## Introduction

OMN is designed as a scripting language for musical events. It's not about sounds themselves, it is about their control and organisation in a musical composition. As a linear script rather than a graphic stave, musical events can be transformed, extended, reorganised by powerful computer algorithms. Some sequencers and score writers provide basic algorithms, but they do not represent the way composers now think about the process of music composition. Composing has become such a multi-faceted process and takes ideas about structure and content from many disciplines: mathematics, astronomy, literature, the visual arts. As such it requires extensive mental resources and experience from the composer. Much of this is still done by hand and eye and brain because although computer systems do exist to help the process along they don't provide what has become known as the composing continuum. This means that a single workspace and workflow environment has not been generally available that can take in the whole process of composing a piece - from first thoughts to a printed score and reference recording. Wouldn't it be good to be able to do everything in one place?

Most composers acquire a bag full of musical tools to act on musical ideas. These still include those tools Bach used for repetition, inversion, retrograde, transposition, but with computer help musical material can be copied, cut, pasted and generally structured and orchestrated. Since the 1950s composers have been experimenting with tools and processes that take musical transformation into wholly new areas; of random numbers, fractals, statistical distribution, graphical plotting to name just a few. To use such experimental things it is composing with a script that is acknowledged as the most efficient and practical way forward. And to work with a script means working with a language: OMN.

## OMN and Musical Notation

The truly original aspect of OMN is that it has been designed to speak directly to traditional musical notation. Everything written in OMN script can be rendered instantly to notation and to a performance simulation. For most composers staff notation remains the common currency they have to work in and with. You couldn't expect performers to read from a MIDI event display or indeed from OMN script. As the OMN language is laid out and explored we'll see just how fully the language of music staff notation is mirrored. This is not just in the standard elements of rhythms, pitch and dynamics but in the vast library of musical attributes that cover the way pitches and rhythms are performed by different instruments and voices. So musical notation is always there. Whatever you write there can be an instant 'snippet' rendered to view alongside your script.

## OMN: the concept

Most languages have developed orderings for parts of speech. Romance languages place the verb after the subject, and in the middle of the sentence. Germanic languages tend to conclude sentences with a verb. In music we're used to the single intersection of pitch position on a stave line with a rhythmic symbol with or without a stem.

In developing a right concept for the OMN language much thought was given to choosing the most effective ordering of elements. Culturally our music is one governed by our past experiences, elements of musical tradition gathered through informal and formal musical education, and what is active in the memory. Descartes adage "Cogito ergo sum" ("I think, therefore I am") remains an important cornerstone of an individual's relationship with composing music. It is something known. It is a made thing; it possess architecture. We can say with confidence that we experience music in a hierarchical sequence of time, existence, dynamics and expression. So it is right that the linear ordering of OMN reflects this. In architecture this might be translated as dimension, materials, volume of space, decoration. These are established architectural parametrics able to form the basis for CAD rendering in the new parametric systems architects are now using to allow the conditions surrounding to influence design. OMN is a language wholly sympathetic to parametric composition in music.

## OMN: The Four Elements

### <length>

OMN was created to think about the element of TIME first. After all we can be musical without a pitched note being present. If we are going to use the OMN script we need a reference guide to help us whilst we learn the language. What accompanies this introduction is a special dictionary of language terms arranged in the four elements that make up the concept. However, there are some necessary redefinitions required. TIME is a very general element that subdivides in music to rhythm and length. When we describe what makes up a rhythm in notation it is usually a mixture of symbols that have different lengths. So the OMN vocabulary uses the term LENGTH as its general title.

(q)



### <pitch>

The second element of the OMN language is PITCH. Although each piece of music is defined by the length of time, it only starts to EXIST as a proper musical entity when pitch is added.

(q c4)



### <velocity>

The third element of the OMN language is VELOCITY. Staff notation has a set of common symbols that are formed from the first letter of Italian words for degrees of intensity we want to attach to a note or a phrase. In OMN there are 12 such terms ranging from *ppppp* to *fffff*. OMN includes many symbols that can only be classed as Dynamics because they are not identified directly with a data value.

(q c4 mp)



## &lt;articulation&gt;

The fourth element of the OMN language is ARTICULATION. The number of general symbols and words used to describe expression in music is vast: *tenuto*, *staccato*, *legato*, *trill*, *fermata* etc... Many instruments, particularly those of the string family have their own vocabulary of technical expressive terms: *pizzicato*, *sul ponticello*, *flautando*. Remarkably these can be included in an OMN script and, if your sampler has a string effects library, these expressive instructions can be realised directly.

(q c4 mp trem)



Finally, there is SIMULTANEITY possible in the layering of attributes. This is achieved by the '+' symbol.

(q c4 mp trem+fermata)



An important fifth element of REPETITION is also present in the OMN language structure.

(q c4 =)



## Assemble and Disassemble

It is valuable to remember that the composer may need to create material one parameter at a time. OMN allows for discrete parameters to be brought together to make a composite list in OMN. By the same token it may also be necessary to focus on just a single parameter to develop further the argument of a composition. An OMN list can easily be disassembled into its component parts for such work to take place and then made back into an OMN list.

```
(disassemble-omn '(q c4 mp d4 e4 e f4 f g4))
=> (:length (1/4 1/4 1/4 1/8 1/8)
     :pitch (c4 d4 e4 f4 g4)
     :velocity (mp mp mp f f)
     :articulation (- - - - -))
```

```
(make-omn :length '(q q q e e)
           :pitch '(c4 d4 e4 f4 g4)
           :velocity '(mp mp mp f f))
=> (q c4 mp d4 e4 e f4 f g4)
```



## Functions

OMN script responds directly to the Opusmodus library of algorithmic functions, and with keywords particular elements can be selected to be processed or not.

```
(rnd-order '(q c4 mp d4 e4 e f4 f g4))
```



## OMN: the way forward

This introduction should set you on your way. With what has been covered here, the Stages Tutorial files will demonstrate how closely the OMN language can be integrated with algorithmic composing. In fact, when composing in this way you'll often only write material in one parameter at a time. Although every function will read an OMN list, it's often better to keep parameters apart to begin with. You'll see this clearly in the Tutorial files.

There will be some music projects where writing directly in OMN is really necessary. Composing for voice is certainly one medium. There are examples in the How To section to demonstrate word setting with full attention given to syllabic splitting.

For more experimental approaches to composing OMN can be integrated with the conversion of integers and intervals into the parameter of pitch. The Stages Tutorials show how this can be achieved with examples that use pitch-class sets to create tone rows.

OMN is a way of scripting the whole language of traditional staff notation and modes of experimental and conceptual composition using the tools of parametric modelling. It is a language that responds to the future of music presentation, as notation moves inextricably from the printed page to the backlit digital display.

New music technology has focused largely on production and presentation, whereas the conceptualisation and origination of new music requires a very different paradigm. Sequencer and Scorewriters continue to provide valuable ways into composition. Opusmodus provides the 3rd way forward, and one driven by its own notation script: OMN.

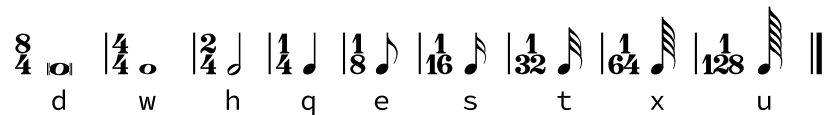
OMN is perfect for those 'on the fly' experiments that all composers make when they are starting out on a project. It is like having a piano close by to try out this or that, but one that always plays what's written quite flawlessly. What is wonderful about scripting is that those experiments if successful can remain part of the score for the whole progress of the composition. With OMN a composing continuum can be achieved.

OMN may look a little hard to decipher at first, but once the logic is understood, be assured, OMN can be read with ease. OMN is the first notation that has been designed from the outset to communicate with MusicXML the de facto standard for communication of notated scores between different software applications. Opusmodus scripts can be converted seamlessly into both Midi and MusicXML.

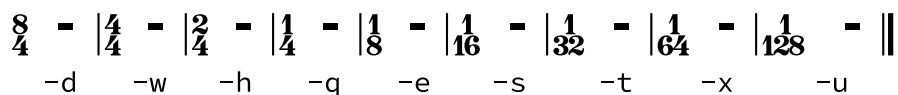
## The Four Elements in Detail

### 1. Lengths

The OMN language provides for a textual equivalent to the many symbols used in traditional staff notation. In the parameter of LENGTH these symbols represent exact durations of virtual time.



Here are the standard values of note-lengths. The most commonly-used are represented in the OMN language by the first letter of their American arithmetic name, so 'w' is a whole-note, 'h' is a half-note, 'q' is a quarter note and so on.



Here are the standard values of rest-lengths. The most commonly-used are represented in the OMN language by the first letter of their American arithmetic name but with the prefix of a '-' (minus) sign, so '-w' is a whole-note rest, '-h' is a half-note rest, '-q' is a quarter note rest and so on. To assist with multiple rests -12 will produce 12 bars of whole-note rests.

' (q q q)



Here is a list of three quarter-notes. The list has to begin with a ' (a quote) and be enclosed by parentheses ( ).

' (q -e e q)



The example above shows note-lengths and rest-lengths in combination.

Length 8 will produce 8 bars of whole-notes lengths.

' (8 h q q)



Length -8 will produce 8 bars of whole-notes rests.

' (-8 h q q)



### *Dotted length*

Symbol     .    ..    ...

OMN dots are used the same way as in the standard notation. The maximum dots in OMN length is 3:

(q...)



### *Tuplet*

The OMN system of rhythmical notation is initially constructed on the principle of duple divisions. Here the individual note-lengths stand for their face value:

w = (h h)

h = (q q)

q = (e e)

and so on.

The other divisional types must make do by borrowing from this binary series: duplet (2), triplet (3), quadruplet (4), quintuplet (5), sextuplet (6), septuplet (7), octuplet (8), nontuplet (9) etc...

When we write these values we use the same note-values as the immediately preceding binary division.



'((3w 3w 3w) (3h 3h 3h) (3q 3q 3q))



This means for example that a triplet division of the quarter note uses eighth notes.

'((5w = = = =) (5h = = = =) (5q = = = =))



This means for example that a quintuplet division of the quarter note uses sixteenth notes.

## *Repeat*

Note: =

Pause: -

'((e. s q =) (e. s q =))



The use of repeat symbols for note-lengths and rest-lengths is fundamental to OMN. Its use can give score scripts a very particular style and appearance. Composers will soon discover different approaches will suit particular situations when writing for percussion or in the notation of repetitive textures.

'((q -e = q) (q - e. t =))



If a note-length repeat symbol follows a rest-length a note-length is given:

$$'(s \ e - s - e. -s \ e \ s -e)$$


The use of the rest-length repeat can bring clarity to the visual layout of a phrase.

*Compound length*

Length composed of two or more separate length elements:

' (q s s e h)



' (hqs -s qe)



*Tie*

Symbol:        (underscore)

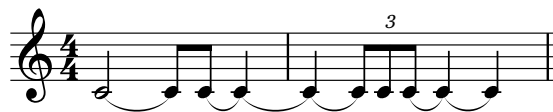
Attribute: tie (omn form)

OMN has two types of ties. The first one is a tie length symbol ‘`_`’ and the second one is the attribute `tie`.

$$'((h_e \ e \ q) \ (q\_3q \ 3q \ 3q \ -h))$$


The `tie` symbol is used when a `tie` is necessary in the middle of a list:

```
'((h_e c4 e_q tie) (q_3q c4 3q 3q_h))
```



The tie as an attribute is necessary when a tie goes across one list to join a length symbol in an adjacent list.

*Extended length*

Note: ==

Rest: --

$$^1 (S \quad == \quad \_ \_ \quad = \quad \_ \quad === \quad \_ \quad == \quad = \quad -)$$


Both note-lengths and rest-lengths can be extended simply by bringing the symbols together in the same way pitches come together to produce chords. In percussion writing this can provide further clarity because only one length value needs to be set at the beginning of the list.

$$'(3q == -e = s - = - == -)$$


### Extended periodic lengths

' (S== = = = = )



2  
4

OMN notation allows the use of ratio values if more convenient:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/8 & 1/8 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 & -1/4 & 3/16 & 1/32 & 1/32 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/4 & 1/8 & 1/8 & 1/4 \\ 1/4 & -1/12 & 1/12 & 1/12 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

## 2. Pitches

In OMN a pitch is written as a text symbol that combines a note's lower-case letter name with its octave number. OMN uses the convention that **c4** is 'middle c', so numbered because of the note's position as the fourth C key on a standard 88-key piano keyboard. In fact the composer can go a little beyond the standard keyboard range because OMN takes in the MIDI range of 0 - 127 pitches.

'(c4 cs4 d4 ds4 e4 f4 fs4 g4 gs4 a4 as4 b4)



In an ascending chromatic scale the convention is to notate the chromatic pitches in sharps.

'(cs4 ds4 es4 fs4 gs4 as4 bs4)



The sharp is written as an 's' symbol preceded by the letter of the diatonic pitch and then the octave number, thus **cs4**.

'(cb4 db4 eb4 fb4 gb4 ab4 bb4)



The flat is written as an 'b' symbol preceded by the letter of the diatonic pitch and then the octave number, thus **db4**.

'(c4 d4 e4 f4 g4 a4 b4)



In a diatonic C major scale where no chromatic notes exist the letter name and the octave number suffice. When transpositions are made using an algorithmic function the note spelling will often mix sharps and flats to seek the best compromise.

## 12 Tone Row

A. Berg, Wozzeck, Akt 1, Szene 4

'(eb4 b4 g4 cs4 c4 fs4 e4 bb4 a4 f4 ab4 d4)



In a 12 Tone Row sharp and flat spellings are common. In OMN they can be freely mixed to enable intervallic analysis to be undertaken. Opusmodus can make conversions to and from interval sets.

(pitch-to-interval '(eb4 b4 g4 cs4 c4 fs4 e4 bb4 a4 f4 ab4 d4))  
=> (8 -4 -6 -1 6 -2 6 -1 -4 3 -6)

A. Schönberg, Opus 28, Nummer 1

'(c4 e4 g4 cs4 a4 b4 f4 ds4 d4 fs4 gs4 as4)



This row is taken from Schoenberg's "Three Satires" for mixed chorus. The song is directed at those exploiting tonal and atonal principles alike without being aware of origins or consequences. The text of the song "Am Scheideweg" corresponds to a C-major triad which is worked into this twelve-tone row and the row's chromatic spelling is chosen to make the vocal pitching of intervals easier.

## Chords

To create a chord, individual pitches are brought together as a single entity.

```
'(q c4e4g4 e4g4c5 g4c5e5 c4e4a4 e4a4c5 a4c5e5)
```



The ordering of pitches within a chord grouping does not have to reflect ascending or descending patterns to be displayed correctly in notation. This means algorithmic constructions of chords can be freely undertaken.

```
'(q g2d3g3b3 a2c3fs3a3 b2d3g3)
```



As with individual pitches, chords adopt sharp or flat spellings as they occur in a list.

## Microtonality

Microtone pitch symbols and values:

+	1/4
-	-1/4
. with sharp	1/8
.. with sharp	3/8
. with flat	-1/8
.. with flat	-3/8
+.. with flat or sharp	1/8
+.. with flat or sharp	3/8
-.. with flat or sharp	-1/8
-.. with flat or sharp	-3/8

## Quarter tones

```
'(q a4 a4+ as4 as4+ b4 b4- bb4 bb4- a4)
```



*Eight tones*

```
'(q a4 a4. a4+ a4.. as4 as4. as4+ b4-. b4
    b4-. b4- b4-.. bb4. bb4- a4. a4)
```

*Chords*

```
'(w c4ds4+g4as4+)
```



Integer, interval and midi microtone values:

0.5 = 1/4 tone

0.25 = 1/8 tone

*Transposition*

```
(pitch-transpose 2.5 '((a4 a4+ b4 d5) (e5 e5+ fs5 a5)))
=> ((b4+ c5 cs5+ e5+) (fs5+ g5 gs5+ b5+))
```



In the next example we generate a row of quarter tones using **RND-ROW** function with optional `:quantize 1/4`. If `:quantize` is set to 1/8 value, the function will return 8th tone row with 48 values.

```
(setf mat (rnd-row :quantize 1/4 :type :pitch :seed 34))
=> (c4 g4 ds4+ cs4 d4+ b4+ f4+ a4+ gs4+ e4+ b4 as4+
    e4 bb4 cs4+ a4 d4 g4+ fs4+ eb4 c4+ gs4 fs4 f4)
```





*Intervals*

```
(pitch-to-interval mat)
=> (7 -3.5 -2.5 1.5 9 -6 4 -1 -4 6.5 0.5 -6.5
    6 -8.5 7.5 -7 5.5 -1 -3.5 -2.5 7.5 -2 -1)

(interval-to-pitch '(1.5 2 -1 -1.5 1 .5 .5))
=> (c4 cs4+ ds4+ d4+ cs4 d4 d4+ eb4)
```

*Quantize*

```
(setf hertz '(448 880 1320 1760 2200 2640 3212 3520))
(hertz-to-pitch hertz :quantize 1/4)
=> (a4+ a5 e6 a6 cs7 e7 g7+ a7)
```



### 3. Velocities

Traditional staff notation has a collection of common symbols that are formed from the first letter of Italian words for degrees of intensity we want to attach to a note or a phrase. In OMN there are 12 such terms ranging from **ppppp** to **fffff**. The items in this collection have specific pre-set data values attached and as such produce in MIDI play back differences of attack on the notes they accompany.

<b>ppppp</b>	(q a4 ppppp)
<b>pppp</b>	(q a4 pppp)
<b>ppp</b>	(q a4 ppp)
<b>pp</b>	(q a4 pp)
<b>p</b>	(q a4 p)
<b>mp</b>	(q a4 mp)
<b>mf</b>	(q a4 mf)
<b>f</b>	(q a4 f)
<b>ff</b>	(q a4 ff)
<b>fff</b>	(q a4 fff)
<b>ffff</b>	(q a4 ffff)
<b>fffff</b>	(q a4 fffff)

#### *Dynamic*

The symbols classed as being Dynamic have a relative MIDI velocity value attached to them. The objective within OMN is to primarily to provide the notation for such symbols.

<b>cresc</b>	(q a4 cresc)
<b>dim</b>	(q a4 dim)
<b>&lt;</b>	(q a4 <)
<b>&gt;</b>	(q a4 >)
<b>0&lt;</b>	(q a4 0<)
<b>&gt;0</b>	(q a4 >0)
<b>pfp</b>	(q a4 pfp)
<b>pf</b>	(q a4 pf)
<b>fp</b>	(q a4 fp)
<b>sfp</b>	(q a4 sfp)
<b>sf</b>	(q a4 sf)
<b>sff</b>	(q a4 sff)
<b>sfff</b>	(q a4 sfff)
<b>sfz</b>	(q a4 sfz)
<b>sffz</b>	(q a4 sffz)
<b>sfffz</b>	(q a4 sfffz)
<b>rf</b>	(q a4 rf)
<b>rfz</b>	(q a4 rfz)
<b>fz</b>	(q a4 fz)
<b>ffz</b>	(q a4 ffz)
<b>fffz</b>	(q a4 fffz)

## *Crescendo*

The collection titled Crescendo takes the Italian abbreviations for the common dynamic descriptions and places a ‘<’ directly following the abbreviation.

```
ppppp<      (q a4 ppppp<)
pppp<        (q a4 pppp<)
ppp<         (q a4 ppp<)
pp<          (q a4 pp<)
p<           (q a4 p<)
mp<          (q a4 mp<)
mf<          (q a4 mf<)
f<           (q a4 f<)
ff<          (q a4 ff<)
fff<         (q a4 fff<)
ffff<        (q a4 ffff<)
```

## *Diminuendo*

The collection titled Diminuendo takes the Italian abbreviations for the common dynamic descriptions and places a ‘>’ directly following the abbreviation.

```
ppppp>      (q a4 ppppp>)
pppp>        (q a4 pppp>)
ppp>         (q a4 ppp>)
pp>          (q a4 pp>)
p>           (q a4 p>)
mp>          (q a4 mp>)
mf>          (q a4 mf>)
f>           (q a4 f>)
ff>          (q a4 ff>)
fff>         (q a4 fff>)
ffff>        (q a4 ffff>)
fffff>       (q a4 fffff>)
```

## *Velocity symbols*

```
pppppp ppppp pppp ppp pp p mp mf f ff fff fff ffff fffff
pppppp< ppppp< pppp< ppp< pp< p< mp< mf< f< ff< fff< ffff< fffff<
pppppp> ppppp> pppp> ppp> pp> p> mp> mf> f> ff> fff> ffff> fffff>
0< < > >0 cresc dim
```

## *Sforzando symbols*

pfp fpf pf fp ffp fffp sfp sfpp sfppp sffp sfffp  
 sf sfff sfff sffff sfz sffz sfffz fz ffz fffz rf rfz

## One note dynamic symbols

This notation is used in wind, brass and string performance to suggest a precise dynamic changes to take place on a single pitch. The symbols are particularly associated with the use of hand-held mutes in writing for trumpets and trombones.

0<ppppp ... 0<fffff  
 ppppp>0 ... fffff>0  
 0<ppppp> ... 0<fffff>  
 <ppppp>0 ... <fffff>0  
 0<ppppp>0 ... 0<fffff>0  
 <ppppp> ... <fffff>  
 >ppppp< ... >fffff<  
 ppppp<> ... fffff<>  
 ppppp>< ... fffff><  
 ppppp<pppp ... ffff<fffff  
 pppp>ppppp ... fffff>ffff  
 ppppp<>ppppp ... ffff<>ffff  
 pppp><pppp ... fffff><fffff  
 ppppp<pppp>ppppp ... ffff<fffff>ffff  
 pppp>ppppp<pppp ... fffff>ffff<fffff  
 >0<  
 0<>0  
 <>0  
 0<>  
 <>  
 ><

## 4. Attribute

The largest element of the OMN language is ATTRIBUTE (articulation). This term covers the many hundreds of symbols and words that describe musical expression.

These terms are divided up very broadly within the OMN Glossary into two groupings: *Articulations*, *Ornaments* and *Marks* affecting all instrumental and vocal performance; *Strings*, *Woodwind* and *Brass* performance indicators being specific only to those instruments.

Articulations cover *Accents*, *Cesura*, *Fermata*, *Legato*, *Ties* and *Pedal*. In musical performance these words, signs and symbols indicate a specific way of controlling the dynamic, intensity or duration of a musical event. This may be a single instance or covering a group of events.

Ornaments are closely linked to articulation but usually include the addition of further pitches and subsequent changes in duration. Ornaments in OMN include *Acciaccatura*, *Appoggiatura*, *Arpeggio*, *Glissando*, *Mordent*, *Trill*, *Tremolo*, *Turn* and *Two-note Tremolo*. Ornamentation was once a required art for the musician to master with an expectation in the 17C and 18C that performers would freely embellish notated music as a matter of course, often going way beyond what was indicated in a score. In contemporary music ornamentation, whilst still using the symbols of Baroque performance practice, is most usually a precise and obligatory requirement seeking to give a special intensity to individual pitched events.

Marks cover the many general performance indications found on a notated score that govern all instruments and voices. These include *Repeat Signs* and *Rehearsal Marks*.

In OMN the performance instructions for woodwind and brass include the now common terms found in contemporary scores first collected together in Bruno Bartolozzi's *New Sounds for Woodwind*. These may be linked through **DEF-SOUND-SET** to available sample sets of woodwind and brass attack transients.

For strings, performance instructions in OMN are comprehensively cited and in conjunction with a sample library can be used to trigger complex mixtures and layers of timbre type. Included within OMN are *Arco*, *Pizz*, *Col Legno*, *Harmonics*, *Pizzicato*, *String*, *Sul Ponticello*, *Sul Tasto*, *Bowing Techniques* and *Vibrato*.

## The Complete Attributes Listing

### *Accents*

det  
marc  
mart  
stacc  
stacs  
ten

### *Grace Note*

-acc  
-acc-e  
-acc-h  
-acc-q  
-acc-s  
-acc-t  
-acc-x  
-acc.  
-app  
-app-e  
-app-h  
-app-q  
-app-s  
-app-t  
-app-x  
-app.  
acc  
acc-e  
acc-h  
acc-q  
acc-s  
acc-t  
acc-x  
acc.  
app  
app-e  
app-h  
app-q  
app-s  
app-t  
app-x  
app.

### *Bow*

dbow  
ubow

### *Strings Articulations*

alto-ponte  
alto-tasto  
arco  
arco-lento  
arco-ord  
arco-ponte  
arco-tasto  
arm  
batt  
con-vib  
crini  
da-ponte  
div  
espr  
extr-ponte  
extr-tasto  
flaut  
gettato  
jete  
knock  
legno  
legno-batt  
legno-tratto  
lh-pizz  
lh-slap  
molto-ponte  
molto-tasto  
molto-vib  
non-arm  
non-vib  
pizz  
pizz-chit  
pizz-nail  
pizz-ord  
pizz-trem  
poco-ponte  
poco-vib  
ponte  
ponte-tasto  
ponte-tasto-ponte  
punta  
ric  
secco  
senza-vib  
slap  
snap  
solli

solo  
spicc  
sulla-corda  
tallone  
tap  
tasto  
tasto-ponte  
tasto-ponte-tasto  
tutti  
tutto-arco  
unis  
vib  
vib-norm  
vib-ord

### *Harmonic*

harm  
harm2

### *Harp*

bisb  
clang  
close-to-table  
dampened  
fingernail  
hand-on-the-corpus  
hand-on-the-strings  
hit  
knuckle-on-the-corpus  
pedal-noise  
semitone-downwards  
semitone-upwards  
thin-pick  
tuning-wrench  
wholetone-downwards  
wholetone-upwards  
xylophone-tone

### *Arpeggio*

arp  
arp-adlib  
arp-down  
arp-up

### *Caesura*

caesura

### *Open String*

sul  
sul1  
sul2  
sul3  
sul4  
sul5  
sula  
sulc  
suld  
sule  
sulg

### *Fermata*

bl-fermata  
bl-fermata-l  
bl-fermata-s  
bl-fermata-vl  
bl-fermata-vs  
fermata  
fermata-l  
fermata-s  
fermata-vl  
fermata-vs

### *Finger*

dig1  
dig2  
dig3  
dig4  
dig5

### *Tongue*

frull  
tong-blocked  
tong-hard  
tong-soft  
tong1  
tong2  
tong3

### *Ending*

end1  
end2  
end3  
end4  
end5  
end6  
end7  
end8

end9  
end10

### *General Pause*

gp  
lp

### *Glissando*

gliss  
gliss2  
gliss3  
gliss4  
kgliss  
kgliss-ch

### *Legato*

leg

### *Tie*

tie

### *Brass and Wind*

air-noise-f  
air-noise-h  
air-noise-k  
air-noise-p  
air-noise-s  
air-noise-sh  
air-noise-t  
finger-damp  
flutter-tongue  
half-depressed-valves  
harsh-blow  
high-noise-blow  
hit-on-mouthpiece  
hum breathy  
insert-straight-mute-into-bell  
kiss  
low-noise-blow  
mouthpiece-backwards  
mouthpiece-only  
multiph  
over-blow  
play-and-sing  
silent-brass  
snap-with-a-finger-on-the-bell  
stop-mute-closed  
stop-mute-open  
stop-mute-wahwah-effect  
under-blow

without-air  
without-mouthpiece  
without-tubings

### *Barlines*

bl-da  
bl-do  
bl-h  
bl-hh  
bl-hl  
bl-lh  
bl-ll  
bl-none  
bl-norm  
bl-s

### *Hand*

lh  
md  
ms  
rh

### *Mordent Lower Double*

ldmordent1  
ldmordent1-t  
ldmordent1-x  
ldmordent2  
ldmordent2-t  
ldmordent2-x

### *Mordent Lower*

lmordent1  
lmordent1-t  
lmordent1-x  
lmordent2  
lmordent2-t  
lmordent2-x

### *Mordent Upper Double*

dmordent1  
dmordent1-t  
dmordent1-x  
dmordent2  
dmordent2-t  
dmordent2-x

### *Mordent Upper*

mordent1  
mordent1-t  
mordent1-x



mordent2  
mordent2-t  
mordent2-x

### *Cue Notes*

cue

### *Number*

num0  
num1  
num2  
num3  
num4  
num5  
num6  
num7  
num8  
num9  
num10  
num11

### *Pedals*

half-ped  
half-ped1  
ped  
ped1  
sost-ped  
sost-ped1  
una-corda  
una-corda1

### *Rehearsal Marks*

reh  
reha  
reha-<a-z>  
rehn  
rehn-<1-1000>

### *Comma*

comma

### *Repeat*

repeat

### *Octave Shifts*

15ma  
15mb  
8va  
8vb

### *Muting*

con-sord  
mute  
open  
senza-sord  
unmute  
via-sord

### *Reset*

adlib  
nat  
non-trem  
norm  
ord  
sim

### *Notehead*

nh-bsld  
nh-cx  
nh-d  
nh-none  
nh-norm  
nh-sld  
nh-x

### *Two-Note-Tremolo*

ttrem  
ttrem-3e  
ttrem-3s  
ttrem-5e  
ttrem-5q  
ttrem-7e  
ttrem-7q  
ttrem-e  
ttrem-s  
ttrem-t  
ttrem-x

### *Tremolo*

trem  
trem-3h  
trem-3q  
trem-3e  
trem-3s  
trem-5h  
trem-5q  
trem-5e  
trem-5s  
trem-7h  
trem-7q

trem-7e  
trem-7s  
trem-e  
trem-s  
trem-t  
trem-x

### *Trill*

ltr1  
ltr1-3e  
ltr1-3s  
ltr1-5e  
ltr1-5q  
ltr1-7e  
ltr1-7q  
ltr1-s  
ltr1-t  
ltr1-x  
ltr2  
ltr2-3e  
ltr2-3s  
ltr2-5e  
ltr2-5q  
ltr2-7e  
ltr2-7q  
ltr2-s  
ltr2-t  
ltr2-x  
tr1  
tr1-3e  
tr1-3s  
tr1-5e  
tr1-5q  
tr1-7e  
tr1-7q  
tr1-s  
tr1-t  
tr1-x  
tr2  
tr2-3e  
tr2-3s  
tr2-5e  
tr2-5q  
tr2-7e  
tr2-7q  
tr2-s  
tr2-t  
tr2-x

### *Turn Lower Classic*

lcturn11  
lcturn11-5e  
lcturn12  
lcturn12-5e  
lcturn21  
lcturn21-5e  
lcturn22  
lcturn22-5e

### *Turn Lower*

lturn11  
lturn11-s  
lturn11-x  
lturn12  
lturn12-s  
lturn12-x  
lturn21  
lturn21-s  
lturn21-x  
lturn22  
lturn22-s  
lturn22-x

### *Turn Upper Classic*

cturn11  
cturn11-5e  
cturn12  
cturn12-5e  
cturn21  
cturn21-5e  
cturn22  
cturn22-5e

### *Turn Upper*

turn11  
turn11-s  
turn11-x  
turn12  
turn12-s  
turn12-x  
turn21  
turn21-s  
turn21-x  
turn22  
turn22-s  
turn22-x