

Double Concerto for Violin, Cello and Javanese Gamelan

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Notes for the gamelan
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There are three movements in the piece. The first and third movements have pieces for the full gamelan, the middle movement uses only a few instruments.

Ladrang Epikuros, pelog, lima, is played as follows in Movement I.

Irama I	2 times
Irama II	3 times
Irama I	1 time, with slight slow down to ending

The transitions between irama are done in the Javanese manner, with gradually speeding or slowing to change irama. Yogyanese style ladrang drumming works very well. The softer panerusan (gender, gambang) are played, or the piece can be arranged as a gendhing bonang.

The following range has been useful for working out parts. Other interpretations are possible.

. 1 . 6 . 1 . 5 . 1 3 6 5 3 2 3
. 1 . 6 . 1 . 5 . 1 3 4 6 5 3 2
. 6 5 3 2 3 . 5 4 2 . 3 2 1 6 5
. 2 1 6 2 1 5 2 1 4 . 3 2 3 4 2
. 1 2 6 2 1 5 2 1 4 1 2 3 6 5

Gending Hephaestus, slendro is played as follows in movement III.

Irama I	A/B	2 times (direct cut at end of 2nd B to Irama III)
Irama III	C	3 times (gradual speed up to return to Irama I)
Irama I	A/B	1 time

There is a bonang obligato (special melody) played in the B section. It is written here with the notes in the higher row of the bonang above the line, and notes in the lower row of the bonang below the line. The bonang panerus doubles each pair of notes in this part, or, alternatively, may double the bonang part.

A pancer (interspersed tone) on pitch 1̇ can be played by the saron and demung on each rest of section C. When the pancer is played, the players of these instruments substitute a low 1 for the high 1 when it appears in their part.

Yogyanese bubaran drumming works well for the A section (compare the balungan with Bubaran Sembunggilang, for example). Solonese ladrang drumming for irama II has been used for the B section, and kendhang ciblon irama wilet for the C section.

A "direct cut" means that at the gong the players double the length of time between beats, without any change in tempo. This appears to happen going from A to B because of the balungan nibani (rest between each note.) When going from B to C, players count three rests between each note instead of one as in the B section.

Additional questions may be addressed to Ms. Diamond at the American Gamelan Institute.

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PELOG

BK: 7653 123 2136 53113 (7)

1st Loud
2nd Soft (Harp)

A { $\begin{matrix} P & T & N & T & P & T & N \\ \cdot \cdot \underline{7i23} & 7537 & \cdot \cdot \underline{33i} & 6727 \\ \cdot \cdot \underline{7i23} & 7537 & \cdot \cdot \underline{ii6} & 4575 \\ \cdot \cdot \underline{567i} & 57\underline{653} & 52\underline{653} & 5\underline{123} & \underline{213} & 6 & 531 \end{matrix}$ (7) }

B { $\begin{matrix} T & P & T & N & T & P & T & N \\ \underline{56} & 767 & \cdot 656 & 5 \cdot 35 \\ \cdot \underline{323} & 2 \cdot 12 & \cdot 13 \end{matrix}$ (7) }

"ROUGH PROTOCOL": A B A B A

3 2 2 1 2

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SARON "B" & DEMUNG

A || $\begin{matrix} \dots & \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{1} \overset{P}{2} \overset{P}{3} & \overset{N}{3} \overset{N}{7} \overset{N}{5} \overset{N}{3} \overset{N}{3} \overset{N}{7} & \overset{P}{6} \overset{P}{5} \overset{P}{6} \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{1} \overset{P}{1} \overset{N}{6} \overset{N}{6} \overset{N}{7} \overset{N}{7} \overset{N}{2} \overset{N}{2} \overset{N}{7} \end{matrix}$

$\begin{matrix} \overset{(P\ P)}{6} \overset{(P\ P)}{5} \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{1} \overset{P}{2} \overset{P}{3} & \overset{N}{3} \overset{N}{7} \overset{N}{5} \overset{N}{3} \overset{N}{3} \overset{N}{7} & \overset{(P\ P)}{6} \overset{(P\ P)}{5} \overset{P}{6} \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{1} \overset{P}{1} \overset{N}{6} \overset{N}{6} \overset{N}{7} \overset{N}{7} \overset{N}{2} \overset{N}{2} \overset{N}{7} \end{matrix}$

$\begin{matrix} \overset{(P\ P)}{3} \overset{(P\ P)}{1} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{5} \overset{P}{5} \overset{P}{6} \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{1} \overset{P}{1} \overset{N}{5} \overset{N}{5} \overset{N}{7} \overset{N}{7} \overset{N}{6} \overset{N}{5} \overset{N}{3} & \overset{N}{3} \overset{N}{5} \overset{N}{2} \overset{N}{2} \overset{N}{6} \overset{N}{5} \overset{N}{3} & \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{5} \overset{P}{5} \overset{P}{1} \overset{P}{2} \overset{P}{3} \dots & \overset{(P)}{2} \overset{(P)}{1} \overset{(P)}{3} \overset{(P)}{6} \overset{(P)}{6} \overset{(P)}{5} \overset{(P)}{5} \overset{(P)}{3} \overset{(P)}{3} \overset{(P)}{1} \overset{(P)}{1} \end{matrix}$

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SLENTEM & PUL & GONG SA.

A || $\begin{matrix} \overset{P}{\dots} \overset{P}{i} \overset{P}{3} & \overset{PP}{7} \overset{PP}{5} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{7} & \overset{PP}{7} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{1} & \overset{P}{6} \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{2} \overset{P}{7} \end{matrix}$

$\begin{matrix} \overset{PP}{6} \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{1} \overset{P}{3} & \overset{PP}{7} \overset{PP}{5} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{7} & \overset{PP}{7} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{1} & \overset{P}{6} \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{2} \overset{P}{7} \end{matrix}$

$\begin{matrix} \overset{PP}{5} \overset{P}{1} \overset{P}{6} \overset{P}{1} & \overset{P}{5} \overset{P}{7} \overset{P}{6} \overset{P}{3} & \overset{P}{5} \overset{P}{2} \overset{P}{6} \overset{P}{3} & \overset{P}{5} \overset{P}{1} \overset{P}{3} \dots \overset{P}{1} \overset{P}{6} \overset{P}{5} \overset{P}{3} \overset{P}{1} \end{matrix}$

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Main Bersama - Sama - Pelog Madenda

Bk. $\overline{33} \dots \overline{3532} \overline{2} \overline{3} \overline{2} \overline{123} \overline{2} \overline{12} \textcircled{1}$

A) $\overline{5} \quad \overline{5} \quad \overline{515} \quad \overline{53}$
 $\overline{6532} \quad \overline{7231} \quad \overline{111} \quad \overline{12}$
 $\overline{76165} \quad \overline{3532123} \quad \overline{65} \quad \overline{3232}$
 $\overline{5533} \quad \overline{32123232} \quad \overline{1233333} \quad \overline{33212} \textcircled{1}$

Panerus Jengglong Gong.

B) $\overline{162} \quad \overline{3216} \quad \overline{161} \quad \overline{2165}$
 $\overline{656} \quad \overline{1653} \quad \overline{212} \quad \overline{3216} \text{ Pul}$
 $\overline{161} \quad \overline{2165} \quad \overline{656} \quad \overline{1653}$
 $\overline{535} \quad \overline{6532} \quad \overline{323} \quad \overline{532} \textcircled{1}$

SARON

$\textcircled{A} \times 8 \quad \overline{161} \quad \overline{2212} \quad \overline{3532} \quad \overline{1616}$
 $\textcircled{B} \times 4 \quad \overline{1656} \quad \overline{1161} \quad \overline{2321} \quad \overline{6565}$
 $\overline{535} \quad \overline{6656} \quad \overline{1216} \quad \overline{5353}$
 $\overline{5323} \quad \overline{2232} \quad \overline{3532} \quad \overline{1616} \textcircled{1}$

$\overline{656} \quad \overline{1161} \quad \overline{2321} \quad \overline{6565}$
 $\overline{6535} \quad \overline{6656} \quad \overline{1216} \quad \overline{5353}$
 $\overline{323} \quad \overline{5535} \quad \overline{6165} \quad \overline{3232}$
 $\overline{212} \quad \overline{3323} \quad \overline{5653} \quad \overline{212} \textcircled{1}$

Buka: ..16 5312 ..16 5323 123236 (5)

IRAMA I: 2x	{	T W	T N	T P	T N
		.1.6	.1.5	.136	5323
IRAMA II: 3x		T P	T N	T P	T N
		.1.6	.1.5	.134	6532
IRAMA I IX		T P	T N	T P	T N
ENDING		.653	23.5	42.3	216 (5)
		T P	T N	T P	T N
		.216	2152	14.3	2342
		T P	T N	T P	T N
		.126	2152	14.1	236 (5) }

Mvt. III

Gending HEPHAESTUS, Slendro

Buka: ..62 532.. 62532 1235 :3535i (6)

IRAMA I: [A+B] 2x	[A]	T	P	T	N
		2.26	51653	2356	
IRAMA III: C (2x) 2x		T	P	T	N
		2.26	51653	2352	
IRAMA I: A+B (1x)		T	P	T	N
		5312	1235	35i6 (or 6)	

[B]	T	P	T	N
	.1.6	.5.3	.6.5	
	T	P	T	N
	.3.2	.1.6	.5.3	
	T	P	T	N
	.2.3	.5.6	.3.2	
	T	P	T	N
	.1.2	.3.5	.1.6	

in this section use pancor high one i → [C] i 6 5 3 2 3 5 3 5 6 i 5 (Irama III) 3x
 i 6 5 3 2 3 1 2 3 5 i 6

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Melody $\times 4$

Buka: 1354 34545 (7)

Irama I	6	}	TWTNTPTN	TPTNTPTN	}	[su. VIII]
			5 7 5 7	5 7 5 4		
Irama II	4	}	P N P N	P N P N	}	(7)
			5 4 5 4	5 4 3 1		
			P N P N	P N P N		
			3 1 5 4	3 4 5		

Bon., Ir. I

Bal. 7 5

P) 777.555. etc

B) 7 7 5 5

Irama I : Saxon Imbal,
 " II : Sax, Gamb., Celony,
 & Bon. Imbal