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## TRE SONATE

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18. Allegro ♩ = 120 - 126  
*espress.*

*p ten.* *ten.* *sost.* *cresc:.....* *sf*

*a tempo*  
*p (legg.)* *espress.*

*ritard:.....* *a tempo*  
*sost.* *cres:.....* *sf* *p (legg.)*

*scherzando*  
*(ten.)* *(ten.)*

a) Ho tenuto a conservare la grafica originale di questa bizzarra battuta. Molti editori hanno messo un *f* al primo *fa* della *md.* Ciò non è bello. D'altronde, mi pare certo che il *f* (o piuttosto *sf*) del  debba riferirsi soltanto al *fa*, e non al *la*. Data l'impossibilità di ottenere questa diversa intensità con una mano sola, consiglio la seguente esecuzione:

a) J'ai tenu à conserver l'écriture originale de cette mesure bizarre. Beaucoup d'éditions ont mis un *f* au premier *fa* de la *md.* Cela ne fait pas bien. D'ailleurs, il me paraît certain que le *f* (ou plutôt *sf*) de:  doit se rapporter seulement au *fa* et non au *la*. Étant donné l'impossibilité d'obtenir cette différence d'intensité avec une seule main, je conseille l'exécution suivante:

a) I have adhered to the original form in which this strange bar was written. Many editors have put *forte* over the first *F* of the right hand. This is not good. Besides, it certainly seems to me that the *f* (or rather *sf*) at  should apply to the *F* alone and not to the *A*. The impossibility of obtaining different degrees of intensity with one hand alone makes me advise the following execution.

ecc.  
etc.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 1

2 5 4 1 3 4 1 4 3 1 2

*p dolce e senza fretta* *poco creso.*

(dim.) *p*

(sempre senza pedale)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 1

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 1 2 3 4

*p* *mf* *p* *tr*

The musical score is divided into six systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system begins with a *mf* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes. The second system features a *p* dynamic with a *cresc.* marking and a *sf* dynamic. The third system includes a *sf* dynamic, a *p* dynamic with *(legg.)*, and a *sf* dynamic with *(senza cresc.)* and *a)*. The fourth system shows a *p* dynamic, *mf*, *f*, and *sf P subito*. The fifth system starts with a *cresc.* marking and a *f* dynamic, followed by *P subito*. The sixth system includes a *cresc.* marking and a *f* dynamic. Performance instructions include *senza pedale* and *(sempre senza ped.)*. The score is annotated with numerous fingering numbers and trills.

a) Contrariamente alla maggior parte delle edizioni, gli originali non hanno nessuna indicazione di crescendo durante l'intero arpeggio di semicrome. *Idem* alcune pagine più oltre.

b) Diteggiatura *ad libitum*, secondo le attitudini fisiche di ognuno.

a) Contrairement à la plupart des autres éditions, les originaux ne donnent aucune indication du crescendo pendant tout l'arpegge de doubles croches. *Idem* quelques pages plus loin.

b) Doigté *ad libitum*, suivant les aptitudes physiques de chacun

a) Contrary to most other editions, the original m.s. have no *crescendo* for the whole of the semi-quaver arpeggio. The same applies to the passage a few pages further on.

b) Fingering *ad libitum* according to each one's physical capacity.

*espr.*  
*p dolce*  
*molto sost.*  
*cresc.:.....*  
*ritard.:.....*  
*a tempo (animato)*  
*(violento)*  
*f*  
*sf*  
*fp*  
*schierzando*  
*tr*  
*4/2 legg.*  
*p*  
*1 C*  
*legg., sottovoce*  
*espress.*  
*(sempre sottovoce)*  
*f subito*  
*3 corde*  
*sf*  
*p*  
*1 C*  
*espress.*

a) Questa finale superiore del trillo è conforme alle più vecchie e corrette edizioni. Lo stesso dicasi per i tre trilli seguenti. Nulla mi sembra giustificare la consueta finale inferiore, trasmessa da tanti anni a traverso innumerevoli edizioni

a) La terminaison supérieure du trille est conforme aux éditions les plus vieilles et les plus correctes. Il en est de même des trois trilles suivants. Rien ne me semble justifier la terminaison inférieure habituelle, transmise depuis tant d'années par d'innombrables éditions.

a) This ending on the upper part of the trill is in agreement with the oldest and most correct editions. It is the same with the three following trills. Nothing seems to me to justify the ending on the lower part of the trill which for many years has been handed on by countless editions.

*sottovoce*  
*espress.*

*3 corde*  
*f subito*  
*sf*  
*a)*  
*sf*

*sf*

*(legato)*  
*b)*  
*p*  
*b) legato*  
*cresc.:...*

*espr.*  
*(mf)*  
*mp*  
*p*  
*ritard.:...*  
*cresc.:...*  
*sf*

Oppure:  
a) Ou bien:  
Or else:

*ecc. etc.*

b) Questi due arpeggi *senza pedale*. | b) Ces deux arpeges sans p dale. | b) These two arpeggi *without pedal*.

*p (legg.)*

*ritard:.....*

*a tempo*

*cresc:.....*

*sf*

*p (legg.)*

*scherzando*

*(sempe p)*

*p*

*molto stacc.*

*cresc.*

*f*

*ff*

*espress.*

*p (non troppo)*

*(sempre senza pedale)*

*p dolce e senza fretta*

*(poco)*

*cresc.)*

*(dim.)*

*p*

*(sempre senza pedale)*

First system of musical notation, measures 1-3. The treble clef staff contains a melodic line with slurs and fingerings (3, 2, 2, 1, 3). The bass clef staff contains a bass line with slurs and fingerings (4, 4, 4, 5, 4, 1, 5, 1, 3).

Second system of musical notation, measures 4-6. The treble clef staff continues the melodic line with slurs and fingerings (3, 5, 4, 3, 1, 2, 4, 5, 3, 4, 1, 1). The bass clef staff continues the bass line with slurs and fingerings (5, 2, 5, 2, 5, 3, 5).

Third system of musical notation, measures 7-10. The treble clef staff features a melodic line with slurs and fingerings (3, 2, 1, 3, 2, 1, 3, 2). The bass clef staff features a bass line with slurs and fingerings (5, 5, 5, 5, 5). Dynamics include *mf*, *p*, *mf*, and *p*. A *cresc.:.....* marking is present in the right hand.

Fourth system of musical notation, measures 11-15. The treble clef staff features a melodic line with slurs and fingerings (1, 3, 2, 1, 3, 2, 1, 3, 2). The bass clef staff features a bass line with slurs and fingerings (5, 5, 5, 5, 5). Trills are marked with *tr* and measure numbers 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137.

Fifth system of musical notation, measures 16-20. The treble clef staff features a melodic line with slurs and fingerings (1, 3, 2, 1, 3, 2, 1, 3, 2, 4, 2, 4, 1, 4). The bass clef staff features a bass line with slurs and fingerings (5, 5, 5, 5, 5). Dynamics include *f*, *p*, *f*, *p*, *f*, and *p*. A *(legg.)* marking is present in the right hand. The instruction *senza pedale* is written at the bottom right.

2 1 4  
 (senza cresc.)  
 (p) mf f

1 2 4 1 2 4  
 3 2 5 4 3 1  
 tr<sup>a)</sup>  
 35  
 sf p subito cresc:..... f  
 (sempre senza pedale)

p subito cresc. f

p dolce sost. cresc.

ritard:.....  
 f cresc. più sf

a) Vedi nota precedente.

| a) Voir la note précédente.

| a) See the foregoing note.

*a tempo*

*p (legg.)* *cresc.*

*ritard.:.....*

*p subito* *poco cresc.*

*..... a tempo*

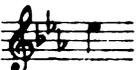
*(p)* *p* *p* *cresc.*

*p* *cresc.:.....*

*p* *(senza cresc.)* *f*

a) Nelle edizioni originali il  non è legato fra i due accordi. Perciò ho messo il secondo alla m.s., onde agevolare la ripetizione.

a) Dans les éditions originales, le  n'est pas lié entre les deux accords. C'est pourquoi j'ai mis le second à la m.g., pour faciliter la répétition.

a) In the original editions there is no *legato* between the two chords in . For this reason I have put the second in the left hand, in order to facilitate the repetition.

# SCHERZO

Allegretto vivace ♩ = 92-96

*espress. (ben ten.)*  
*P dolce sf sf sf sf*

*(molto stacc. e sempre senza pedale)*

*sf sf*  
*pp sempre stacc.*  
 1 Corda

*poco ritard.:..... a tempo*  
*pp cresc. f sf*  
 3 Corde

*(veloce)*  
*sf p sf sf sf sf*

*sf sf*  
*pp*  
 1 C.

*a tempo*  
*poco ritard.:.....*  
*ff (secco) p staccatissimo*  
 3 C.

Detailed description of the musical score: The score is for a Scherzo in 2/4 time, marked 'Allegretto vivace' with a tempo of 92-96 beats per minute. It is written for piano and bass. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The score is divided into several systems. The first system includes dynamics like 'P dolce', 'sf', and 'espress. (ben ten.)'. The second system features 'sf', 'pp sempre stacc.', and '1 Corda'. The third system has 'poco ritard.:..... a tempo', 'pp', 'cresc.', 'f', and 'sf', with '3 Corde' indicated. The fourth system is marked '(veloce)' and includes 'sf', 'p', and 'sf'. The fifth system has 'sf', 'sf', 'pp', and '1 C.'. The final system is marked 'a tempo', 'poco ritard.:.....', 'ff (secco)', and 'p staccatissimo', with '3 C.' indicated. Fingerings and articulations like 'tr' (trills) are present throughout.

Musical notation for the first system, including treble and bass clefs, notes, rests, and dynamic markings like "senza cresc.", "ff", and "p".

Musical notation for the second system, including treble and bass clefs, notes, rests, and dynamic markings like "(cresc.)", "(p)", and "(simile)".

Musical notation for the third system, including treble and bass clefs, notes, rests, and dynamic markings like "decresc.", "pp legg.", and "(simile)".

Oppure  
Ou bien  
Or else

Musical notation for the fourth system, including treble and bass clefs, notes, rests, and dynamic markings like "sempre stacc. e senza pedale".

Musical notation for the fifth system, including treble and bass clefs, notes, rests, and dynamic markings like "pp" and "1 C. cresc.".

Musical notation for the sixth system, including treble and bass clefs, notes, rests, and dynamic markings like "p", "sf", and "decresc.".

a) Tutte le ♯ della m.s. brevissime quanto sia possibile. Troppo sovente le si odono trasformate in comode ♯!

a) Toutes les ♯ de la m.g. aussi brèves que possible. Trop souvent on les entend transformées en commodes ♯!

a) All the ♯ of the left hand as short as possible. Too often one hears them thus accommodatingly transformed ♯!

*p sempre dolce*

*(simile)*  
*p*  
*a)*  
*(simile)*

*sf*

*sf*  
*p*  
*p subito*  
*sf*

*sf*  
*cresc.*  
*sf*

*(brusco)*  
*p*  
*(sempre P)*

a) Vedi nota precedente.

| a) Voir la note précédente.

| a) See foregoing note.

*p* *f* *p*  
(sempre *p*)

*p* *sf* *sf* *sf*

*sf* *decresc.* *ritard.*

*a tempo* *p dolce* *sf* *sf* *sf*

*sf* *pp* *tr* *tr*

*poco ritard.* *a tempo* *(veloce)*  
*pp* *cresc.* *f* *sf* *sf* *p*

*ten.*

*sempre dolce e legg.*

*pp*

1 C.

*tr*

*poco ritard:.....*

*a tempo*

*ff* (*secco*) *P* (*staccatissimo*)

(*senza cresc.*)

3 C.

(*secco*) *ff* *p*

*cresc.*

a) Questo incomodo e superfluo può certamente venire omeso senza scrupoli.

a) Ce peut certainement être omis sans scrupules.

a) This inconvenient and superfluous may certainly be omitted without scruple.

(simile)  
(p)  
(simile)

decresc.

pp legg.  
1 C.  
(sempre senza pedale)  
simile sempre

pp (sempre 1 C. sino alla fine)

cresc.

decresc.  
(senza rit.)  
pp

a) Vedi nota precedente.

a) Voir note précédente.

a) See foregoing note.

# MINUETTO

Moderato grazioso ♩ = 104-108

*p*  
*espressivo e ben legato*  
*cresc.*

*p*  
*espr.*

*tr*  
*legatissimo cresc. (poco)*  
*(dim.)*

## Trio ♩ = 96

*p*  
*sf*  
*f marcato*

*(non secco)*  
*p*  
*cresc.*  
*f*  
*p*

*sf*  
*p*

First system of musical notation, piano (p), crescendo (cresc.).

Second system of musical notation, piano (p), first and second endings, expressive (espr.).

Third system of musical notation, trills (tr), legato (legatissimo), crescendo (cresc. poco).

Fourth system of musical notation, Coda, first and second endings, dynamic markings (dim., mp), senza pedale, (più p).

Fifth system of musical notation, calando, pochissimo rit., pp.

a) Quasi fagotto. Il ricordo del solo

, alla fine del l'andante della quinta sinfonia, potrà aiutare gli esecutori intelligenti a trovare la giusta sonorità.

a) Comme un basson. Le souvenir du solo:

, à la fin de l'andante de la cinquième symphonie, pourra aider les exécutants intelligents à trouver la sonorité juste

a) Like a bassoon. The recalling of the solo:

, at the end of the Andante of the fifth symphony, will help intelligent players to find the right sonority.

Presto con fuoco  $\text{♩} = 108$

a) La tecnica moderna permette la seguente modificazione, più corretta, e, ciò che maggiormente importa, di migliore suono.

rità:

a) La technique moderne permet la modification suivante, plus correcte, et, ce qui importe davantage, de sonorité meilleure: etc.

a) Modern technique permits of the following modification, which is more correct and, what is of more importance, more sonorous:

First system of musical notation, featuring a treble and bass clef. The treble staff contains a melodic line with various ornaments and fingerings (e.g., 2 3, 1 2 3, 1 2 3 4 3). The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. A dynamic marking of *sf.* is present.

Second system of musical notation, continuing the piece. It features similar melodic and harmonic textures with dynamic markings of *sf.* and *sf.*.

Third system of musical notation, marked *(molto forte)*. The treble staff has a melodic line with ornaments and fingerings. The bass staff has a rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *sf.* and *sf.*.

Fourth system of musical notation, marked *P subito e leggerissimo (senza pedale)*. The treble staff features a delicate melodic line with ornaments and fingerings. The bass staff has a simple accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *P* and *sf.*.

Fifth system of musical notation, marked *cresc:..... ff (senza rit.)*. The treble staff has a melodic line with ornaments and fingerings. The bass staff has a rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *cresc:*, *ff*, and *sf.*.

Sixth system of musical notation, featuring two first endings. The first ending is marked *1. 4* and the second ending is marked *2.*. The treble staff has a melodic line with ornaments and fingerings. The bass staff has a rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *sf*, *p*, *sf*, *ff (senza rit.)*, *sf*, and *p*.

a) Questa seconda  $\odot$  più lunga della prima. | a) Ce second  $\odot$  plus long que le premier. | a) This second  $\odot$  longer than the first.

5 5 2 2 5 2 5 4 5 4 2 2

*sfp* *sfp*

(*pesante (ma senza rall.)*)

*f* *sf* *sf* *sf* *ff (marcatissimo)*

a) *senza ped.*

*sf* *sf* *sf*

*ff (sempre con tutta la forza)* *ff*

a) a)

*ff* *ff*

a) a)

a) Tutte le migliori revisioni mantengono qui il pedale per altre tre battute. Questa pedalizzazione (assai grossolana al mio orecchio) ha il grave inconveniente di fondere tutte assieme le selvagge e rudi ottave della m.s. le quali perdono così gran parte della loro «terribilità». Perciò credo la mia interpretazione più conforme al pensiero dell'autore.

a) Toutes les meilleures éditions maintiennent ici la pédale pour trois mesures encore. Cette pédalisation (très grossière à mon oreille) a le grave inconvénient de fondre en un tout les octaves rudes et sauvages de la m.g. qui perdent ainsi une grande partie de leur «terribilité». Aussi je crois mon interprétation plus conforme à la pensée de l'auteur.

a) All the better editions maintain the pedal here for three more bars. This pedalling (very crude to my ear) has the serious inconvenience of confusing altogether the rugged and wild octaves of the left hand, thus losing a great deal of their «terribleness». Hence I consider my interpretation more in agreement with the composer's idea.

First system of musical notation. The right hand features a complex melodic line with many slurs and fingerings (1-5). The left hand has a more rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *sfp* (di nuovo legg.) and *sfp*.

Second system of musical notation. The right hand continues with intricate fingerings and slurs. The left hand has a steady accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *f* and *(simile)*.

Third system of musical notation. The right hand has a melodic line with slurs and fingerings. The left hand has a rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *(simile)* and *(sempre forte)*.

Fourth system of musical notation. The right hand has a melodic line with slurs and fingerings. The left hand has a rhythmic accompaniment.

Fifth system of musical notation. The right hand has a melodic line with slurs and fingerings. The left hand has a rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *(f) cresc:...*, *ff*, and *(ff)*.

Sixth system of musical notation. The right hand has a melodic line with slurs and fingerings. The left hand has a rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamic markings include *p cresc:...* and *ff*.

ff p cresc:

a) sf p (non legato) senza pedale

pp f subito p

f sf

a) La seguente numerazione di battute potrà tornare utile a chi provasse qualche difficoltà a fare il numero esatto di terzine:

a) La suivante numération de mesures peut être utile à qui éprouverait quelque difficulté à jouer le nombre exact de triollets:

a) The following enumeration of the bars may be helpful to those who find some difficulty in making the exact number of triplets.

(Ritmo di quattro battute) - (Rythme de 4 mesures) - (Rhythm of four bars)

sf p 1 2 3 4 1 2 pp 3 4 f 1 ecc. etc.

*p*  
(senza pedale)

a)

*cresc:.....* *f*

*sf* *sf (sempre f)*

*sf*

a) Vedi nota precedente.

a) Voir note précédente.

a) See preceding note.



First system of musical notation. Treble and bass staves. Includes dynamic markings *fp* and *p*. Fingerings are indicated with numbers 1-5. A bracket spans the first four measures.

Second system of musical notation. Treble and bass staves. Includes dynamic marking *cresc.:.....*. Fingerings are indicated with numbers 1-5. A bracket spans the last two measures.

Third system of musical notation. Treble and bass staves. Includes dynamic markings *non legato*, *decresc.*, and *pp*. A bracket labeled *senza pedale* spans the first four measures. A wedge-shaped dynamic marking is present.

Fourth system of musical notation. Treble and bass staves. Includes dynamic marking *p*. Fingerings are indicated with numbers 1-5. A bracket spans the last two measures.

Fifth system of musical notation. Treble and bass staves. Includes dynamic marking *p*. Fingerings are indicated with numbers 1-5. A bracket spans the last two measures.

a) Anche qui potrà essere utile di contare le battute di quattro in quattro, come da nota precedente.

a) Là aussi il pourra être utile de compter les mesures de quatre en quatre, comme l'indique une note précédente.

a) Here also it may be helpful to count the bars four by four, as indicated by the above note.

The musical score is divided into six systems, each containing a grand staff with a treble and bass clef. The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The first system shows a complex melodic line in the treble with triplets and sixteenth-note runs, and a bass line with similar rhythmic patterns. The second system continues these patterns with more intricate fingerings. The third system features a prominent triplet in the treble and a bass line with a similar triplet. The fourth system has a treble line with many sixteenth-note runs and a bass line with a triplet. The fifth system includes a 'cresc.' marking with a dotted line in the bass line, indicating a gradual increase in volume. The sixth system also features a 'cresc.' marking and continues the melodic and rhythmic development of the piece.

First system of musical notation. Treble and bass staves. Treble staff contains sixteenth-note runs with fingerings 1 3 5, 1 3 5, 1 3, 1 3, and a final measure with a fermata and fingerings 1 2 3 4 5. Bass staff contains similar runs with fingerings 1 2 3, 3, and a final measure with a fermata and fingerings 1 2. Dynamics include *f*, *sf*, *sf*, *sf*, *ff*, and *p*. A section marked *ff* and *p* features a complex chordal texture with a fermata.

Second system of musical notation. Treble and bass staves. Treble staff features a melodic line with a fermata and fingerings 4, 5, 1, 4, 3, 5, 1, 3, 5. Bass staff features a bass line with fingerings 1, 3, 1, 3, 5, 1, 3, 5. Dynamics include *f*, *sf*, and *sf*.

Third system of musical notation. Treble and bass staves. Treble staff features a melodic line with a fermata and fingerings 3, 4, 4, 2, 1, 3, 8. Bass staff features a bass line with fingerings 2, 1. Dynamics include *sf*, *sf*, *ff*, and *p*. A section marked *ff* and *p* features a complex chordal texture with a fermata. The tempo marking *poco ritard:* is present.

Fourth system of musical notation. Treble and bass staves. Treble staff features a melodic line with a fermata and fingerings 4, 4, 1, 3, 5, 4, 5, 4, 5, 4, 1. Bass staff features a bass line with fingerings 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 5. Dynamics include *cresc:*. The tempo marking *a tempo* is present.

Fifth system of musical notation. Treble and bass staves. Treble staff features a melodic line with a fermata and fingerings 4, 2, 1, 2, 5. Bass staff features a bass line with fingerings 1, 2, 3, 5, 1. Dynamics include *f* and *ff*. The system ends with a double bar line.

Più sonoro:  
 a) Plus sonore:  
 Of greater sonority:

Diagram illustrating the pedal point technique. It shows a bass line with a sustained note (pedal point) and a treble line with a melodic line. The text "(ten. col pedale)" is written above the diagram. Fingerings 1, 2, 4, 5 are indicated for the treble line.