

Chapter 5

Example 5.1: Handel, Concerto Grosso in E minor

Op.6, No. 3, III: Allegro

a) Period 1: Opening theme, bars 1–4, and ritornello, bars 5–22

Four-bar opening theme

Violino I.
concertino.

Violino II.

Violino I.
ripieno.

Violino II.

Viola.

Violoncello.

Bassi.
Tasto solo.

5 Ritornello: *Vordersatz*

6 6 6 6

continued

Example 5.1 (*continued*): Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegroa) Period 1 (*cont.*)

9

6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

13 *Fortspinnung*

continued

Example 5.1 (continued): Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro

a) Period 1 (*cont.*)

16 *Epilog*

This musical score for measures 16-18 of 'Epilog' features a complex texture with multiple staves. The first two staves (treble clef) and the third staff (treble clef) contain dense, rapid sixteenth-note passages. The fourth staff (treble clef) and the fifth staff (bass clef) provide a more melodic counterpoint. The sixth staff (bass clef) features a steady eighth-note bass line. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The measures are numbered 16, 17, and 18 at the bottom.

19

This musical score for measures 19-21 of 'Epilog' continues the complex texture. The first two staves (treble clef) and the third staff (treble clef) contain dense, rapid sixteenth-note passages. The fourth staff (treble clef) and the fifth staff (bass clef) provide a more melodic counterpoint. The sixth staff (bass clef) features a steady eighth-note bass line. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The measures are numbered 19, 20, and 21 at the bottom.

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Example 5.1 (*continued*): Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro

b) Period 2: Ritornello, bars 23–40

Vordersatz

6

Fortspinnung

27

continued

Example 5.1 (*continued*): Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegrob) Period 2 (*cont.*)

31

p

pp

6

pp

35 *Epilog*

p

f

f

f

f

f

f

5 5 5 # 6 *f* 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

continued

Example 5.1 (*continued*): Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro

b) Period 2 (*cont.*)

39

6 6 7 6 5 5 #

c) Period 3: Ritornello, bars 41–64, and reprise of opening theme, bars 65–68

Fortspinnung 1
Phrase 1

Phrase 2

Solo.

Solo.

continued

Example 5.1 (continued): Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro

c) Period 3 (*cont.*)

46

Fortspinnung 2
Phrase 1

Tutti.

f

f

f

f

f

2

50

Phrase 2

This musical score is for 'Phrase 2' of 'The Little Boat'. It is a 6-part setting for voices and piano. The score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves: four for voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and two for piano. The piano part features a rhythmic accompaniment of eighth and sixteenth notes. The vocal parts have lyrics in both English and French. The score is divided into four measures, each with a measure number (2, 6, 6, 4) and a time signature (2, 6, 6, 4) at the bottom.

2 6 6 4

2 6 6 4

continued

Example 5.1 (*continued*): Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro

c) Period 3 (*cont.*)

54

Unnotated
(all violins)

3/2

6 6 6 6 6 6

Notated 4/4
(vln, vcl, bassi)

58 2/4 3/2

displaced 4/4 (all)

p

p

p

p

p

p

6 6 6 7 6 5

3/2 4/4

continued

Example 5.1 (*continued*): Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegroc) Period 3 (*cont.*)

62  (etc.)

Reprise of opening four-bar theme (notated meter resumes)

6 5 (etc.) # 6 6 4 5 6 6 # *f* Tasto solo.

66 

Example 5.2: Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro

Tonal reduction

a) Period 1: bars 1–22

Bars 1 2 3 4 5 6

Bars 7 8 9 10 11 12^a 12^b

continued

Example 5.2: Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro
Tonal reduction (*continued*)

a) Period 1: bars 1–22 (*cont.*)

Bars 12^b 13 14 15 — 16^b 17 18 19 20 21 22^a 22^b

III: $\hat{3}$ (bass) $\hat{3}$ (upper $\hat{2}$ voice) $\hat{1}$

simile simile

Auxiliary cadence III: V

b) Period 2: bars 23–40

Bars 23 25 27 29 32 33 34 35 37 38 40^a — b

Vordersatz Fortspinnung Epilog

Auxiliary cadence V: I Π_5^6 V $\sharp$ (nested auxiliary cadence) V $\flat$

continued

Example 5.2: Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro
Tonal reduction (*continued*)

c) Period 3, part 1: bars 41–56

Bars 41 43 45 47 48 49 50^b 51 52^b 53 55 56

Fortspinnung 1

Fortspinnung 2

V[#]

Period 3, part 2: bars 56–68

Bars 56 57 58 59 60 61 63 64 65 68

Epilog

Opening theme

I

V[#]

Example 5.3: Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro

Pace reductions

a) Opening theme, bars 1–4; opening ritornello, bars 5–22

First period
Vordersatz

Bars 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Obligato paces: o, d

Basic pace: J

Implicit cadential progressions

Figural pace: J

(etc.)

continued

Example 5.3: Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro
Pace reductions (*continued*)

a) Bars 1–22 (*cont.*)

Fortspinnung

Bars 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

Obligato paces: o, d

Basic pace: |

Quadruple sequential expansion, nonessential at higher levels

Quadruple sequential expansion, essential at foreground level

Implicit cadential progressions

Figural pace: |

continued

Example 5.3: Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro
Pace reductions (*continued*)

a) Bars 1–22 (*cont.*)

Epilog

Bars 17 18 19 20 21 22

(normalized)

Obligato paces: half note , quarter note , eighth note

Basic pace: half note

Figural pace: half note , quarter note

continued

Example 5.3: Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro
Pace reductions (*continued*)

b) Period 2: Ritornello, bars 23–40

		<i>Fortspinnung</i>										<i>Epilog</i>			
		23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	
<i>Vordersatz</i>															
Bars															
		Sequential expansion, nonessential at higher levels													
		Sequential expansion, essential at the foreground level													
		Expanded basic pace (nonsequential)													

continued

Example 5.3: Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro
Pace reductions (*continued*)

b) Period 2 (*cont.*)

Epilog

Bars 37

40

Fortspinnung I
Phrase I

41

43

45

46

normalized

Expanded basic pace and
half-note obligato pace

Quadruple sequential expansion,
essential at higher levels _____

Basic pace resumes

Cadential
acceleration

Quadruple sequential expansion,
nonessential at the foreground level _____

Basic pace expanded
through 5-6 suspensions

continued

Example 5.3: Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro
Pace reductions (*continued*)

c) Period 2 (*cont.*)

Fortspinnung 2
Phrase 1

Bars 49 50 51 52

obligato
pace

Quadruple sequential expansion,
nonessential at higher levels —————

Quadruple sequential expansion,
essential at the foreground level Hidden obligato pace

Basic pace
resumes

Figural
pace:

Fortspinnung 2
Phrase 2

53 54 55 56^a 56^b 57

Obligato pace

anticipation

continued

Example 5.3: Handel, E minor Concerto, Allegro
Pace reductions (*continued*)

c) Period 2 (*cont.*)

Bars	58 ^a	58 ^b	59	60	61 ^a —b	62	63	64	65	66	67	68
<i>First period</i> <i>Vordersatz</i>												
Expanded basic pace												
<i>Reprise of opening four-bar theme</i>												
5-6 5-6 5-6 5-6												
Basic pace expanded through 5-6 suspension series												
Hidden obligato pace												
Cadential acceleration												
Obligato paces resume												
Basic pace resumes												
Cadential acceleration												
Basic pace resumes												