

Electric Bass With Ensemble

Number #1

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Approximate duration: 2:05



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Easily over the last 20 years, numerous electric bassists/composers have elevated the instrument from its important - but frequently overlooked - role as the grounded harmonic base and member of "the rhythm section", to a true, front-and-center soloing 'star'. However, this rarely happens outside of pop / rock / funk / fusion / jazz genres. This and companion piece #2 were created with orchestral instruments (and the electric bass) simply to "have some fun". At least I hope so.

Note To Bassist: If your instrument has more than 1 volume & 1 tone controls, I encourage you to consider "planned timbre changes" throughout this peice. Of course, just the physical playing style can get tonal changes while you play... I would ask NOT to use any effects like chorus, distortion, or the like.

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J = 140

Oboe

A Clarinet

B_b Bass Clarinet

Bassoon

Piano

Viola

Violoncello

Electric Bass

T
A
B

Musical score page 3 featuring seven staves of music for various instruments. The key signature is three sharps (F major). Measure 4 starts with the Oboe (Ob.) and A Clarinet (A Cl.) playing eighth-note patterns. The Bassoon (Bsn.) joins in with a similar pattern. Measure 5 begins with a dynamic change. Measures 6-7 show the Bassoon continuing its pattern. Measure 8 starts with the Piano (Pno.) playing eighth-note chords. Measures 9-10 show the Bassoon continuing. Measure 11 starts with the Violin (Vla.) and Cello (Vc.) playing eighth-note patterns with弓 (arc) markings. Measures 12-13 show the Bassoon continuing. Measure 14 starts with the Electric Bass (El. B.) playing eighth-note patterns with a dynamic of *f*. Measures 15-16 show the Bassoon continuing. Measure 17 starts with the Electric Bass playing eighth-note patterns with a dynamic of *f*. Measures 18-19 show the Bassoon continuing. Measure 20 ends with the Electric Bass playing eighth-note patterns with a dynamic of *f*.

Ob. A Cl. Bb B. Cl. Bsn.

Pno.

Vla. Vc.

El. B.

8

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

The musical score page contains six staves. The first four staves (Oboe, Alto Clarinet, Bassoon, Piano) have measures of rests followed by a key change to $\frac{5}{4}$. The Violin and Cello staves begin with rests, followed by eighth-note patterns labeled 'pizz.' and dynamic 'f'. The Electric Bass staff at the bottom shows a bass line with various slurs and grace notes, with measure numbers 12-11, 12-14, 14, 7 gliss., 14-2, 0., 7, 9, and 7-9 indicated above the notes.

11

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

The musical score page 5, system 11, features six staves of music. The top four staves (Oboe, Alto Clarinet, Bassoon, and Piano) have treble clefs and are in common time. The bottom two staves (Violin and Cello) have bass clefs and are also in common time. The piano part is split into two staves. The electric bass staff at the bottom uses a tablature system with vertical lines and note heads labeled A and B. Measure 11 begins with rests for most instruments. The Bassoon and Piano (both staves) begin playing eighth-note patterns around measure 14. The Electric Bass starts its pattern in measure 11. The page number 5 is located in the top right corner.

14

Ob. *mp*

A Cl. *mp*

B♭ B. Cl. *mp*

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla. *mp* arco

Vc. *mp* arco

El. B.

9 11 9 7 6 7 4 6

T
A
B

16

The musical score page contains seven staves of music. From top to bottom, the instruments are: Oboe (Ob.), A Clarinet (A Cl.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Piano (Pno.), Violin (Vla.), Cello (Vc.), and Electric Bass (El. B.). The Oboe, A Clarinet, and Bassoon staves are in treble clef. The Piano, Violin, and Cello staves are in bass clef. The Electric Bass staff uses a standard staff with note heads. The piano staff is grouped by a brace. The electric bass staff has a tablature below it with vertical bar lines and horizontal tick marks indicating fingerings.

Ob.

A Cl.

B \flat B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

18

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

20

Ob.

A Cl.

B_b B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

TABLATURE FOR ELECTRIC BASS (TAB):

A	5	7	9	7-9-11	9-11	12						
B							#					

22

A musical score for orchestra and electric bass. The score consists of eight staves. From top to bottom: Oboe (Ob.), Alto Clarinet (A. Cl.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Piano (Pno.), Violin (Vla.), Cello (Vc.), and Electric Bass (El. B.). The score is in 2/4 time, key signature is A major (three sharps). Measure 22 starts with a forte dynamic. The Oboe and Alto Clarinet play eighth-note patterns. The Bassoon and Piano provide harmonic support. The Violin and Cello play eighth-note patterns. The Electric Bass staff at the bottom shows a rhythmic pattern with counts 19, 17, 17-14, 7, 5, 4, 2, 4.

Ob.

A. Cl.

B_b B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

24

A musical score for orchestra and piano, page 11, measure 24. The score consists of eight staves:

- Ob.** (Oboe) in G major, treble clef, 2 measures of eighth-note pairs followed by a rest.
- A Cl.** (Alto Clarinet) in G major, treble clef, 2 measures of eighth-note pairs followed by a rest.
- B♭ B. Cl.** (B-flat Bassoon) in A major, treble clef, 2 measures of quarter notes and eighth-note pairs followed by a rest.
- Bsn.** (Bassoon) in A major, bass clef, 2 measures of quarter notes and eighth-note pairs followed by a rest.
- Pno.** (Piano) in A major, treble and bass clefs, 2 measures of eighth-note pairs followed by a rest. Measure 25 begins with a piano dynamic of 8.
- Vla.** (Violin) in A major, bass clef, 2 measures of eighth-note pairs followed by a rest.
- Vc.** (Cello) in A major, bass clef, 2 measures of quarter notes followed by a rest.
- El. B.** (Electric Bass) in A major, bass clef, 2 measures of eighth-note pairs followed by a rest. Fingerings are indicated: 4-0-4-0-2.

26 rit.

J = 85

El. Bass
tempo rubato

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

The musical score page 12 consists of eight staves. The top four staves (Oboe, Alto Clarinet, Bassoon, Piano) are grouped by a brace. The bottom four staves (Violin, Cello, Electric Bass) are also grouped by a brace. Measure 26 starts with a 'rit.' instruction. The tempo is marked 'J = 85'. The electric bass part has an 'El. Bass' label with 'tempo rubato' underneath. Dynamics include *mp*, *p*, and *pp*. The piano part includes sustained notes and slurs. The electric bass part ends with a dynamic *f* and an 'espressivo solo' instruction. The bassoon part has a dynamic *mf*.

30

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

Measures 30-34: Eighth-note patterns on most staves.

Measures 35-39: Sixteenth-note patterns on most staves.

Measure 40: Bass line for Electric Bass (Tablature below staff).

Measure 41: Repeat sign and endings.

37

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

mp

mf

(D harmonic
@ 12th fret
on D string)

*f*³

3

3

Fretboard diagram for the electric bass (El. B.) with fingerings:

T A B

16-14-12-12-14 | 11-12-12-12-12 | 2-4-6-7-2-4-2-1 | 9-11-9-7-6-7-9-7-10-7-10-9-10-7

3 3

$d = 140$

In tempo

42

In tempo

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

46

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla. pizz.
f

Vc. pizz.
f

El. B.

The musical score page contains seven staves. From top to bottom: 1) Oboe (Ob.) in G clef, no key signature. 2) A Clarinet (A Cl.) in G clef, B-flat key signature. 3) Bassoon (Bsn.) in F clef, no key signature. 4) Piano (Pno.) with two staves: treble clef and bass clef, no key signature. 5) Violin (Vla.) in C clef, no key signature. 6) Cello (Vc.) in C clef, no key signature. 7) Electric Bass (El. B.) in C clef, no key signature. Measure 46 begins with rests. The Oboe starts with a sixteenth note followed by eighth-note pairs. The A Clarinet enters with eighth-note pairs. The Bassoon starts with eighth-note pairs. The Piano treble staff has eighth-note pairs. The Violin and Cello play eighth-note pairs. The Electric Bass starts with eighth-note pairs. Measure 47 begins with rests. The Oboe starts with eighth-note pairs. The A Clarinet continues with eighth-note pairs. The Bassoon starts with eighth-note pairs. The Piano bass staff has eighth-note pairs. The Violin and Cello continue with eighth-note pairs. The Electric Bass continues with eighth-note pairs.

48

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla. arco

Vc. arco

El. B.

This musical score page contains seven staves. From top to bottom: Oboe (G clef), Alto Clarinet (F clef, B-flat key signature), Bassoon (Bass clef), Piano (two staves, treble and bass clefs), Violin (Bass clef), Cello (Bass clef), and Electric Bass (Bass clef). Measure 48 begins with eighth-note patterns. The piano has dynamic markings 'mf' and 'f'. The electric bass staff at the bottom shows a unique rhythmic pattern with '3' over '5' time signatures. Measures 49 and 50 continue the musical line, with the piano's dynamic 'f' sustained through measure 50.

50

A musical score for orchestra and piano, page 18, measure 50. The score consists of eight staves. From top to bottom: Oboe (G clef), Alto Clarinet (F clef, B-flat key signature), Bassoon (B-flat Bass clef), Pno. (Piano, two staves: treble and bass), Violin (Bass clef), Cello (Bass clef), and Electric Bass (Bass clef). The music is in common time (indicated by a '4' at the end of each measure). The piano part includes a dynamic instruction 'p' (pianissimo) in the first measure of the piano section.

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

52

Ob. $\begin{array}{c} \text{G} \\ \text{Clef} \end{array}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ mp mf

A Cl. $\begin{array}{c} \text{G} \\ \text{Clef} \end{array}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ mp mf

B♭ B. Cl. $\begin{array}{c} \text{G} \\ \text{Clef} \end{array}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ mp mf

Bsn. $\begin{array}{c} \text{Bass} \\ \text{Clef} \end{array}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ mp mf

Pno. $\begin{array}{c} \text{G} \\ \text{Clef} \end{array}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ mp mf

Vla. $\begin{array}{c} \text{Bass} \\ \text{Clef} \end{array}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ mp mf

Vc. $\begin{array}{c} \text{Bass} \\ \text{Clef} \end{array}$ $\frac{6}{4}$ mp mf

El. B. $\begin{array}{c} \text{Bass} \\ \text{Clef} \end{array}$ f

54

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

8

♩. = 140

56

Ob. *p* *mf*

A Cl. *p* *mf*

B♭ B. Cl. *p* *mf*

Bsn. *p* *mf*

Pno. *p* *mf*

Vla. *p* *mf*

Vc. *p* *mf*

El. B.

7 8 7 5 8 0 0 8 10 10 12 9

58

Ob.

A Cl.

B♭ B. Cl.

Bsn.

Pno.

Vla.

Vc.

El. B.

8

10-12-10

10-12-10

10-12-10

14-15-14

