

# Four on the Floor

for piano and orchestra  
with electric bass and drum kit

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# Performance notes

## Percussion notation:

The separate snare drums are to be tuned one high and one low. Rim shot notated as such:  
 The snare drum on the drum kit to be tuned to a pitch between the separate drums.  
 The tenor drums are to be tuned one high and one low.



Drum kit notation:

The piece is inspired by electronic house music, pop, funk and jazz – it emulates some electronic effects and colours (flanger, delay etc) and is structured to resemble a DJ mixing tracks.

It is also a piano concerto, and includes a cadenza section in which the pianist is welcome to improvise the solo line. The common theme dividing each section (or the breakdown between tracks) is a setting of the B theme from the second movement of Mozart Piano Concerto no. 21.

## Notes per section:

- A Oboe and clarinet should match the vibraphone decay. Vibraphone rotor set to about 90bpm. String pizzicato and flutes emulating a digital delay effect.
- B Strings emulating a filter sweep effect.
- C Winds colouring the piano lead line, emulating a slow filter modulation effect.
- D Muted trumpet and oboe and piccolo emulating a filter modulated colour for the piano lead line.
- E Bassoon and horn colouring the piano similarly. Clarinet with flute and piccolo delay effect. Cymbals in a rock style.
- F The first setting of the Mozart theme in a club breakdown half-time style.
- G Clarinet and piano emulating an electric guitar or lead synthesizer. Note clarinet II at bar 125 providing a digital delay effect. Violins gradually increasing dynamic in waves, emulating a synthesizer amplitude envelope. Bass trombone and tuba emulating a filter on the bass.
- H Staccato cross-overs from winds to brass.
- I A more intense variation on section G, emulating early 90s sampled music with parallel harmony.
- J Second breakdown with the Mozart theme, with vibraphone and glockenspiel emulating synthesizer arpeggiators
- K Emulates a DJ mixing between two different tracks to create a new variation on both. Heavy syncopated brass with latin funk style. Flutes and strings emulating a flanger effect.
- L Emulating the DJ mixing out of the heavy track in to the latin track. Strong piano lead line. Strings emulating a pitch-bend synth effect.
- M Piano cadenza with slowly shifting staccato colour behind. Pianist welcome to improvise a melody, with a strong and frenetic latin feel.
- N Third setting of the Mozart theme in a soft jazz style. Emulating a DJ mixing out of the latin track into the jazz track, or a coda section to the concerto. Tutti flanger effect similar to strings in section K.
- O Jazz-style closing section and setting of the Mozart theme.

Score in C

Four on the Floor

A ♩ = 120

The score is for a piece titled "Four on the Floor" in C major, 4/4 time, with a tempo of 120 bpm. The score is divided into two systems, both labeled with a boxed "A".

**Woodwinds:**  
Piccolo/Flute III: Rest.  
Flute I, II: Rest.  
Oboe I: Melodic line starting at measure 4, marked *pp*, *mp*, *n*, *pp*, *mp*, *n*.  
Cor Anglais/Oboe II: Rest.  
Clarinet in B♭ I, II: Melodic line starting at measure 4, marked *mp*, *n*, *mp*, *n*.  
Bassoon I, II: Rest.

**Brass:**  
Horn in F I, II: Rest.  
Horn in F III, IV: Rest.  
Trumpet in B♭ I: Rest.  
Trumpet in B♭ II, III: Rest.  
Trombones I, II: Rest.  
Bass Trombone: Rest.  
Tuba: Rest.

**Percussion:**  
Timpani: Chord progression F D B♭ A F.  
Tubular Bells: Rest.  
Glockenspiel: Rest.  
Vibraphone: Melodic line starting at measure 4, marked *mf*, with a motor speed of 90 bpm.  
2 Snare drums (high/low): Rest.  
2 Tenor drums (high/low): Rest.  
Bass Drum: Rest.  
Drum Set: Rhythmic pattern starting at measure 4, marked *mf*.

**Other Instruments:**  
Piano: Rest.  
Bass Guitar: Rest.  
Violin I: Rest.  
Violin II: Rest.  
Viola: Rest.  
Violoncello: Rest.  
Contrabass: Rest.



25

B. D.

Dr.

Pno.

29 **B**

Fl.

C. A.

Bsn.

Tbn.

B. Tbn.

2 S. D.

Dr.

Pno.

Bass

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

front pickup, tone 50% - mellow sound







56 Piccolo

Fl. *p*

Ob. *pp* *p*

C. A. *pp* *p*

Cl. *pp* *mp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *mp* *pp*

Bsn. *p* *ppp* *p* *mp* *ppp* *p* *ppp*

Hn. *mp* *pp* *p* *mf* *pp* *p* *mf* *pp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Hn. *mp* *pp* *p* *mf* *pp* *p* *mf* *pp* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Tba.

2 S. D.

2 T. D.

Dr.

Pno. *f* *mf*

Bass

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

*Red.*

**D**

63

Picc. *mp*

Fl. *mf* *n*

Ob. *mf* *f* *f* *mf*

C. A. *mf* *n*

Bsn. *mf* *n*

Hn. *mf* *pp*

Hn. *mf* *pp*

Tpt. *f* *mf* *mf* *f*

2 S. D.

Dr.

Pno. *mf*

Bass *sul tasto - mellow sound* *mf*

Vln. I *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf*

Vln. II *p* *mf* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp* *p* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *mp* *mf* *p* *mp* *mf*

Vc. *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf* *pp* *mf*

Cb. *arco* *f*



E

77

Picc. *p*

Fl. *mp*

C. A. Cor Anglais *mf*

Cl. *mp*

Bsn. *mf* *mp* *mf*

Hn. *mp* *mf* *mp*

2 S. D. 6

2 T. D.

Dr. *+*

Pno. *ff*

Bass

Vln. I *pp* *mf* *mf*

Vln. II *p* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mf*

Vla. *mp* *mf* *p* *mf* *mf*

Vc. *mf* *pp* *mf*

Cb. *f*



G

93

Picc. *ff* *mf* *mp* *mf* *ff* *mf*

Fl. *ff* *mf* *mp* *mf* *ff* *mf*

Ob. *p*

C. A. *mf*

Tpt. *f* tpt I con sord wah-wah + tpt II senza sord *sim.*

Tpt. *mf* trumpet III

Tbn. *mf*

B. Tbn. *mp* *mf* *mp < mf* *mp* *mp*

Tba. *mf*

2 S. D. *f*

B. D. *f*

Dr. *f* *mf* *f*

Pno.

Bass *f* tone to 25% vibrato like a cello player, on crotchet beats vib. vib.

Vln. I waves *p* *mf* *p* *p*

Vln. II waves *p* *mf* *p* *p*

Cb. pizz. *mf* gradual staccato - tenuto *ff*

104

Picc. *mp mf ff mf mp mf ff mf mp mf*

Fl. *mp mf ff mf mp mf ff mf mp mf*

Ob. *mp*

C. A. *mp*

Tpt. *sim.*

Tpt. *sim.*

Tbn. *mf mp < mf mp mp < mf mp mp < mf mp mp < mf mp*

B. Tbn. *mf mp < mf mp mp < mf mp mp < mf mp mp < mf mp*

Tba. *mf mp < mf mp mp < mf mp mp < mf mp mp < mf mp*

2 S. D.

B. D.

Pno.

Bass *vib.*

Vln. I *mf p p mf p p mf p*

Vln. II *mf p p mf p p mf p*

Cb. *mf mf gradual staccato - tenuto ff mf*

115

Picc. *f mp p mp f mp p mp f mp*

Fl. *f mp p mp f mp p mp f mp*

Ob. *pp p*

C. A. *mp p*

Cl. *I. solo ff gliss. mp p gliss. gliss.*

Tpt. *sim. f mf*

Tpt. *mf*

Tbn. *mp mf mp mf mp*

B. Tbn. *mp mf mp mf mp*

Tba. *mp mf mp*

2 S. D.

B. D.

Pno. *f*

Bass *vib.*

Vln. I *p mf p mf p*

Vln. II *p mf p mf p*

Cb. *mp mf*

124

Picc. *p mp f mp p mp f mp p*

Fl. *p mp f mp p mp f mp p*

Ob. *pp p*

C. A. *pp p*

Cl. *mp ppp f n f n* *1. molto vib.*

Tpt. *sim.*

Tbn. *mf mp mf mp mp mf mp mf*

B. Tbn. *mf mp mf mp mp mf mp mf*

Tba. *mf mp mf mp mp mf mp mf*

2 S. D.

B. D.

Pnc. *mp p pp ppp mf*

Bass *vib. vib.*

Vln. I *mf p p mf p p mf*

Vln. II *mf p p mf p p mf*

Cb. *mp mf*

133

Picc. *mp* *f* *mp* *p* *mf*

Fl. *mp* *f* *mp* *p* *mf*

Ob. *pp* *p*

C. A.

Cl. *f* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *molto vib.*

Tpt. *sim.* trumpet I

Tpt. trumpet II and III

Tbn. *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

B. Tbn. *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Tba.

2 S. D. to tub bells

B. D. to glock

Dr. *mf* *f*

Pno.

Bass *vib.* *vib.* *vib.*

Vln. I *p* *p* *mf* *p*

Vln. II *p* *p* *mf* *p*

Cb. ( )





J

158

Picc. *mp* *mf* *mp*

Fl. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *p*

Ob. *p* *mp*

C. A. *mp* *p*

Cl. *p*

Tpt. *mp* *mf*

Tbn. *mf* *mf* *mp* *mf*

B. Tbn. *mp* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Tba.

Tub. B.

Glock. *p*

Vib. *p*

Dr.

Pno. *f*

Bass *mp*

Vln. I *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *mf solo*

Vln. II *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

Vla. *gliss.* *gliss.* *gliss.*

Vc. *gliss.* *gliss.*

**K**

167

Picc. *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf*

Fl. *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf*

C. A. *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf*

Bsn. *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Hn. *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Tbn. *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Tba. *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Glock. *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Vib. *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Dr. *ff* *mf* *ff* *mf*

Pno. *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

Bass *mf*

Vln. I *mp* *ppp* *mp* *ppp* *mp*

Vln. II *mp* *ppp* *mp* *ppp* *mp*

Vla. *mp* *ppp* *mp* *ppp* *mp*

Cb. *f* *ff* *f* *ff*

8<sup>va</sup>

let chord ring out

tone 75% - bright tone. slap style optional

arco

176

Picc. *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp*

Fl. *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp*

Bsn. *f* *ff* *f*

Hn. *f* *ff* *f*

Tbn. *f* *ff* *f*

Tba. *f* *ff* *f*

Dr. *ff* *mf* *ff*

Pno.

Bass *f* *ff* *f*

Vln. I *ppp* *mp* *ppp* *mp* *ppp* *mp* *ppp*

Vln. II *mp* *ppp* *mp* *ppp* *mp* *ppp* *mp*

Vla. *mp* *ppp* *mp* *ppp* *mp* *ppp* *mp*

Cb. *f* *ff* *f* *ff* *f* *ff* *ff*

L

185

Fl. *ppp*

Bsn. *ff*

Hn. *ff*

Tbn. *ff*

Tba. (8).....

2 S. D.

Dr. *f*

Pno.

Bass *f*

Vln. II *ppp*

Vla. *ppp*

Cb. *f ff f*

194

Bsn.

Hn.

Tbn.

2 S. D.

2 T. D.

Dr. *mf* hi-hats and snare: *mf* *bd: f*

Pno. *f*

Bass *f*

Vla. *mf* *gliss.*

Vc. *f* *gliss.*

202

2 S. D. *f*

2 T. D. *mf*

Dr.

Pno.

Bass

Vla. *gliss.*

Vc. *gliss.*

209

**M**

Fl. *mp* I. staccato

Cl. *mp* I. staccato

Hn. *mp* *f*

Tpt. *mf*

Tpt. *mp* *mf*

Tbn. *mp* *mf*

2 S. D. *f*

2 T. D. *mf* *f* *mf*

Dr.

Pno. *f* *cadenza*

Bass





236

This musical score page contains measures 236 through 240. The instruments and their parts are as follows:

- Flutes (Fl.):** Two staves. Both parts play a melodic line starting in measure 236, marked *mp* and *mf*.
- Oboe (Ob.):** One staff. Plays a melodic line starting in measure 236, marked *mp* and *mf*.
- Clarinet in A (C.A.):** One staff. Plays a melodic line starting in measure 236, marked *mf*.
- Clarinet in Bb (Cl.):** One staff. Features first and second endings, marked *mp* and *mf*.
- Bassoon (Bsn.):** One staff. Provides harmonic support, marked *mp* and *f*.
- 2 S. D. (2nd Snare Drum):** One staff. Plays a rhythmic pattern, marked *mp* and *mf*.
- 2 T. D. (2nd Tom Drum):** One staff. Plays a rhythmic pattern, marked *mp* and *mf*.
- Drum (Dr.):** One staff. Provides a steady rhythmic accompaniment.
- Piano (Pno.):** Two staves. Provides harmonic accompaniment.
- Bass:** One staff. Provides a melodic line in the bass register.
- Vin. I (Violin I):** One staff. Provides harmonic support, marked *mp* and *mf*.
- Vin. II (Violin II):** One staff. Provides harmonic support, marked *mp* and *mf*.
- Vla. (Viola):** One staff. Provides harmonic support, marked *mp* and *mf*.

245 Piccolo

This musical score page contains measures 245 through 252. The instruments and their parts are as follows:

- Flutes (Fl.):** Two staves. The first flute part has rests in measures 245-248 and enters in measure 249 with a dynamic of *f*. The second flute part has rests in measures 245-248 and enters in measure 249 with a dynamic of *f*.
- Oboe (Ob.):** One staff with rests in measures 245-248 and entry in measure 249 with a dynamic of *f*.
- Clarinet in A (C. A.):** One staff with rests in measures 245-248 and entry in measure 249 with a dynamic of *f*.
- Clarinet in Bb (Cl.):** One staff with rests in measures 245-248 and entry in measure 249 with a dynamic of *f*.
- Bassoon (Bsn.):** One staff with rests in measures 245-248 and entry in measure 249 with a dynamic of *f*.
- 2 S. D. (2 Snare Drums):** One staff with a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes starting in measure 249, dynamic *ppp*.
- 2 T. D. (2 Tom Drums):** One staff with a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes starting in measure 249, dynamic *mp*.
- Drum (Dr.):** One staff with a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes starting in measure 249, dynamic *mf*.
- Piano (Pno.):** Two staves. The right hand has chords and the left hand has a rhythmic pattern. A section labeled "end cadenza" begins in measure 249 with a dynamic of *mf*.
- Bass:** One staff with a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes starting in measure 249, dynamic *mf*.
- Vin. I (Violin I):** One staff with rests in measures 245-248 and entry in measure 249 with a dynamic of *mf*.
- Vin. II (Violin II):** One staff with rests in measures 245-248 and entry in measure 249 with a dynamic of *mf*.
- Vla. (Viola):** One staff with rests in measures 245-248 and entry in measure 249 with a dynamic of *mf*.

**N**

254

Picc. *ff*

Fl. *ff*

Ob. *ff*

C. A. *ff*

Cl. *ff*

Bsn. *ff*

Timp. *p*

2 S. D. *f*

2 T. D. *mf*

Dr. *mf* *f* *mf*

Pno. *ff*

Bass

Vln. I *ppp* *mf*

Vln. II *pp* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *p* *mf* *p*

Vc. *mp* *mf* *pp*

Cb. *mf* *ppp*

263

Picc. *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf*

Fl. *pp* *mf* *mp* *pp* *mf* *p*

Ob. *pp* *mf* *mp* *pp* *mf* *p*

C. A. *p* *mf* *p* *p* *mf* *p*

Cl. *mp* *mf* *pp* *mp* *mf* *pp*

Bsn. *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp*

Hn. *mp* *mf* *pp* *p* *mf* *p*

Tpt. *ppp* *mf* *mp* *pp* *mf* *mp*

Tbn. *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp*

B. Tbn. *mf* *ppp*

Tba. *mf* *ppp*

Timp. *mp* *f*

2 T. D. *f* *ff* *mf*

Dr. *f* *mf* *f* *mf*

Pno. *f*

Bass *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf*

Vln. I *ppp* *mf* *ppp* *mf*

Vln. II *pp* *mf* *mp* *pp* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *p* *mf* *p* *p* *mf* *p*

Vc. *mp* *mf* *pp* *mp* *mf* *pp*

Cb. *mf* *ppp* *mf* *ppp*

271

Fl. *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

Ob. *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

C. A. *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

Cl. *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp* *p* *mp*

Bsn. *mf* *mf*

Hn. *mf*

Tbn. *mf* *mf*

Timp. *mp* *mp*

2 T. D.

Dr. *f* *mf*

Pno.

Bass

281

Cl. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Tpt. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp*

Dr. *mf*

Pno.

Bass *mf*

288

Fl. *mf* *rit.*

Cl. *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Tpt. *mf* *mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Dr.

Pno.

Bass