# Electronic and mixed music at Casa Ricordi

Colloque international ANTONY – Paris, 21/10/2021

"All of the pieces I have written that have implied electronics have to be revised constantly because of the change of technology. [...] every other year, the whole system changes. And I see around me all composers running, literally running after new technology that's going to be better in a few years. [...] if you write a piece for electronics, you're constantly forced to renew the system to make it still available for the concert hall. [...] Technology forces me to go back, and work over again. A new tape. Changing from a tape to computer. And then from computer to a new type of computer. <u>Or from one synthesizer to a new type</u>. And it's endless."

David Bündler, "Interview with Gerard Grisey", 20th-Century Music 3 (1996), <a href="http://www.angelfire.com/music2/davidbundler/grisey.html">http://www.angelfire.com/music2/davidbundler/grisey.html</a>

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"The documentary approach focuses on the form of each document, on the interplay of relationships in its sound fabric and, in the case of several witnesses of the same work, between the documents themselves, on the production equipment and techniques, the compositional practice and the authorial bases. The documentary approach aims to create accurate editions accompanied by a review of the sources."

Angelo Orcalli, "Recorded music: from the ethics of preservation to the critical editing", in Orcalli and Cossettini, Sounds, Voices and Codes from the Twentieth Century, Udine, DILL - University of Udine, 2017, p. 39. <a href="http://mirage.uniud.it/sites/default/files/Sounds\_voices\_and\_codes.pdf">http://mirage.uniud.it/sites/default/files/Sounds\_voices\_and\_codes.pdf</a>

### **Documentary editions** / restorations

Y entonces comprendió

La fabbrica illuminata

Omaggio a Emilio Vedova

Musica-Manifesto n. 1: Un volto, del mare – Non consumiamo Marx

Como una ola de fuerza y luz

<u>Al gran sole carico d'amore</u>

### Al gran sole carico d'amore

- Two scores, of which the most recent and published refers to the 1978 version, the other [...] contains traces of the first version and of the revision work which would then lead to the second
- two different and authoritative versions of the tapes
- a video of the 1978 staging
- a set of preparatory materials from the Luigi Nono Archive in Venice



Cfr. Luca Cossettini, "Al gran sole carico d'amore thirty years on", in Orcalli and Cossettini, Sounds, Voices and Codes from the Twentieth Century, Udine, DILL -University of Udine, 2017, pp. 349-368. <a href="http://mirage.uniud.it/sites/default/files/Sounds\_voices\_and\_codes.pdf">http://mirage.uniud.it/sites/default/files/Sounds\_voices\_and\_codes.pdf</a>

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- Jour, Contre-jour (1979), for electric organ, 13 musicians and <u>4-track magnetic tape</u>
- Les chants de l'amour (1982-84), for 12 mixed voices and <u>4-track magnetic tape with computer</u> <u>generated sounds</u>
- Le Temps et l'écume (1989), for four percussionists, <u>two synthesizers</u> and chamber orchestra

2 Flûtes (1°: Fl.en do, Fl. picc. ord.et Fl. picc. accordée un quart de ton plus bas, Fl. en sol) (2°: Fl.en do, Fl. picc., Fl. on sol)
2 Hautbols (1° et 2° aussi cor anglais)
2 Clarinettes
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1 Clarinette contrebasse en Sib (aussi Cl. basse en Sib)
2 Bassons (2° aussi Contrebasson)

2 Trompelles (1°: Trp. en Do, Trp. en sib accordée un quart de lon plus bas) (2°: Trp. en Do, Trp. en sib) 2 Cors en Fa

2 Trombones

4 Percussions

2 Synthétiseurs Yamaha<sup>##</sup> (deux exécutants et deux assistants)

4 Violons

2 Allos

2 Violoncelles

2 Contrebasses (2° Cb. à cinq cordes)

La partition est notée en sons réels, sauf pour les synthétiseurs dont les différentes transpositions sont indiquées avec les registrations.

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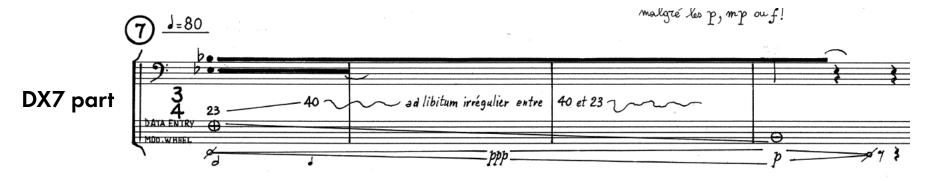
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### Strategies for a new edition

• Sampling the sounds produced by the synthesizers?



- Emulation of the original hardware:
  - SY: closed archivecture, emulation not available
  - DX7: Dexed, FM8, Arturia, etc.

- Andromeda: soprano
- Il drago: mezzosoprano or tenor
- Perseo: barytone and bass (2 singers for one character)
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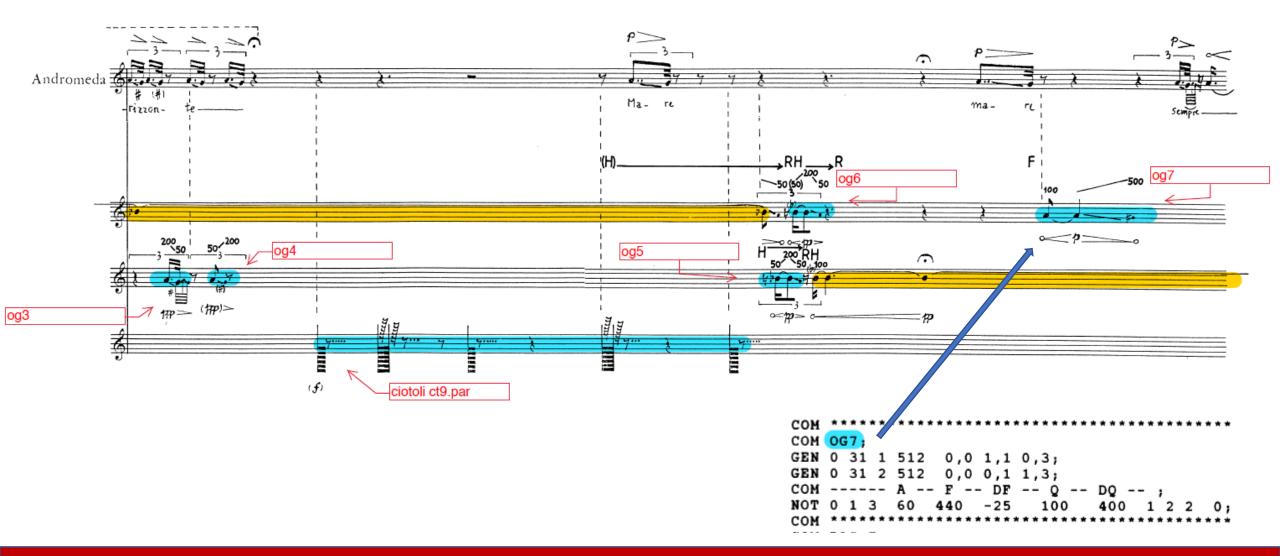
Music V generated sounds, played live with two workstations Real-time synthesis with 4i system Spatialization Reverberation

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Workstation 2

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### Strategies for a new edition

- Music V generated sounds: original audio files already existing
- Real-time synthesis with 4i system:
  - Migration of the code in Max environment
  - Sampling
- Revision of the score adding references to the electronic events.

"It is desirable that the interaction between subjects and realities linked to the world of creation and dissemination of electronic and mixed music will increase, and that therefore the publishing system, the scientific community (historicalcritical investigation and theoretical reflection) and the world of research and production centers for electroacoustic music will establish an ongoing dialogue and collaboration."

Marco Mazzolini, "Musica elettronica e scrittura: appunti di un editore", Musica/Tecnologia, 13 (2019), p. 33.