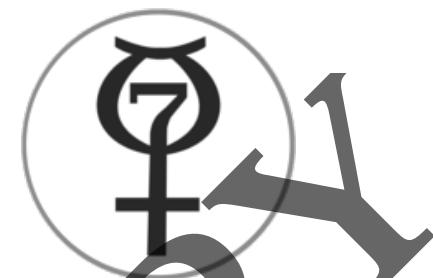

WE SEVEN
FOR ORCHESTRA



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originally written for and dedicated to my mentor

Joseph Parisi

and the

University of Missouri-Kansas City Wind Ensemble

orchestra version prepared in commemoration of the

60th Anniversary of

John Glenn's historic orbital flight

aboard "Friendship 7"

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*"How many things have been denied one day,
only to become realities the next."*

Jules Verne's *From the Earth to the Moon*

WE SEVEN FOR ORCHESTRA

Duration

about 10'00"

Instrumentation

1 Piccolo
2 Flutes
2 Oboes
2 Clarinets (Bb)
2 Bassoons

4 Horns (F)
3 Trumpets (C)
3 Trombones
1 Tuba

Timpani
3 Percussion

Percussion I:

Vibraphone
Suspended Cymbal

Percussion II:

3 Triangles (small, med., large)
Tam-Tam
2 Suspended Cymbals

Percussion III:

Chimes
Crotales
Crash Cymbals

Strings

Program Notes

We Seven, the title of this work, comes from a book by the same name written by the U.S.'s first astronauts. In 1959, the U.S. entered the space race by starting a program whose main aims included sending a solo astronaut into space and recovering him safely. Project Mercury, as this program was so called, recruited the first seven American astronauts and successfully sent six of them into space. These men were Scott Carpenter, Gordon Cooper, John Glenn, Gus Grissom, Wally Schirra, Alan Shepard, and Deke Slayton, and collectively they became known as the "Mercury Seven." Through their efforts and those of countless others, the U.S. Space Program accomplished much with these six flights, including successfully sending an astronaut into space, putting a man in orbit, and keeping him up there for more than 24 hours. In 1962, shortly after Glenn and Carpenter's orbital flights, the "Mercury Seven" co-wrote the book We Seven and throughout it, the astronauts discuss the events leading from their selection into the program up through Carpenter's flight in May of 1962. The primary material for the work comes from two sources: the use of musical cryptograms to encode the astronauts' names and initials into pitches and the aria 'Un bel dì vedremo' from Giacomo Puccini's opera, Madame Butterfly. The inclusion of the latter comes directly from one of Glenn's chapters in the book. Together with a couple of the other astronauts, he would often listen to the opera to unwind from a long day of training. I would like to think that as he was orbiting the Earth that this opera, particularly this aria, would be running through his mind.

This work originally written to commemorate Project Mercury on the 50th anniversary of its conclusion and was written for Joseph Parisi and the University of Missouri-Kansas City Wind Ensemble. The orchestra version has been prepared in celebration of the 60th anniversary of John Glenn's historic orbital flight.

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Performance Notes

- An “X” time signature indicates “free time.” Throughout these free time sections, triangles containing numbers are used. These indicate the number of cues in each larger section. Dashed barlines separate cues.
- Single line staves denote that the player is not playing.
- Thick horizontal lines indicate that the previous material should continue to be played.
- Boxed notation is to be played freely and, in the case of multiple events contained within the box, in any order. Boxed notation continues for as long as the horizontal lines indicate.
- Two “soli” players accompany each soloist at the beginning. These soli players have cues for the soloists’ parts and should feel free to react to it.
- Timing indications in free time are simply guidelines.
- The crescendi and decrescendi at the opening in the upper strings and their subsequent appearances elsewhere are to be played free and asynchronous and should move no more than one dynamic level louder than the indicated dynamic.
- Double whole notes in the “free time” sections indicate the note begins at the cue and lasts for the duration of that cue or until the line.
- Half-note noteheads without a stem in the “free time” sections indicate that the given note begins sometime after a cue or ends sometime after a cue. During these instances, the players are free to enter or release the given pitch as they desire. (Example: See Bassoon I, mm. 4-5).
- The accel. with an arrow (e.g. mm. 16-18) is only indicated in the score. This shows that the time between cues under the arrow should get progressively shorter.
- Eighth-note stems without noteheads are used to indicate where some boxed notation ideas conclude. The player is to stop playing at that eighth-note regardless of where they are at in their boxed notation. (Example: See measure 21).

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for Orchestra

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5/free time; atmospheric

5 sec. 8 - 10 sec.

PICCOLO X

FLUTE I

OBOE II

CLARINET (B) I

BASSOON II

5/free time; atmospheric

5 sec. 8 - 10 sec.

HORN (F) I & II X

HORN (F) III & IV

TRUMPET (C) II

TROMBONE III

TUBA I

5/free time; atmospheric

5 sec. 8 - 10 sec.

TIMPANI A,B,C,E I X

VIBRAPHONE I bowed w/mallets play figures or similar gestures on given pitches within box ad lib. in any order for the duration of the line. vary the length of the rests. "think wind chimes"

TRIANGLES I ad lib. play figures or similar gestures within box ad lib. in any order for the duration of the line. vary the length of the rests. "think wind chimes"

CHIMES II

CROTALES III f play figures or similar gestures on given pitches within box ad lib. in any order for the duration of the line. vary the length of the rests. "think wind chimes"

5/free time; atmospheric

5 sec. 8 - 10 sec.

VIOLIN I X con sord. ppp < pp < >> * sim.

VIOLIN II I con sord. ppp < pp < >> * sim.

VIOLA II con sord. ppp < pp < >> * sim.

VIOLCENELLO I

BASS II X

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A 3

8 - 10 sec.

WE SEVEN

5 - 7 sec.

8 - 10 sec.

PICC.

I

FL.

II

I

OB.

II

I

CL.

II

solo

I

BSN.

II

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A 3

8 - 10 sec.

5 - 7 sec.

8 - 10 sec.

I & II

HN.

III & IV

I

TPT. II

III

I

TBN.

II & III

TUBA

A 3

8 - 10 sec.

5 - 7 sec.

8 - 10 sec.

TIMP.

Vibraphone

Triangles

PERC. II

Crotales

VLN. I

VLN. II

VLA.

VLC.

BS.

ppp

mf

pp

p

ppp

f

mp

fp

end solo

sol

mf

ppp

p

ppp

f

mp

f

ppp

ppp

mf

ppp

cup mute

#o

ppp

p

ppp

bowed

ppp

mp

pp

pp

sim.

pp

pp

con sord.

sim.

pp

pp

sim.

B 8 - 10 sec.

PICC. I FL. II I OB. II I CL. II I BSN. II

end soli

tr. *tr.*

pp < mf > pp *pp < mf > pp*

solo

ppp *f* *ppp* *f* *ppp*

sol

ppp *mf* *ppp*

ppp *p* *ppp*

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B 8 - 10 sec.

I & II HN. III & IV I TPT. II III I TBN. II & III TUBA

cup mute

ppp *p* *ppp*

cup mute *#o*

ppp *p* *ppp*

II. cup mute

ppp

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B 8 - 10 sec.

TIMP. I PERC. II III

bowed

ppp *mp*

pp

PERUSA

B 8 - 10 sec.

VLN. I div. en 2 VLN. II VLA. VLC. BS.

pp

pp

sim.

sim.

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4 C □ 2 8 - 10 sec.

WE SEVEN

7 - 9 sec.

3 4

PICC. I FL. II I soli OB. II I II sim. CL. II I BSN. II mp

C 2 1. solo 8 - 10 sec. 7 - 9 sec.

I & II HN. III & IV I TPT. II III TBN. II II & III TUBA

TIMP. I Vibraphone Triangles Crotales

PERC. II III

VLN. I div. en 2

VLN. II div. en 2

VLA. div. en 2

VLC. div. en 2

BS.

11

12

D in time ($\bullet = 76$)

rit.

PERUSA

PICC.

FL.

OB.

CL.

BSN.

BS.

D in time ($\text{♩} = 76$)

I & II HN.

III & IV

I TPT.

II & III TBN.

III TUBA

D in time ($\text{♩} = 76$)

Chimes

ERC.

VLN. I div. en 2

VLN. II div. en 2

VLA. div. en 2

VLC. div. en 2

BS.

X

1

2

3

rit.

senza sord.

6 **E** 5 free time; triumphant accel. WE SEVEN 15 - 17 sec.

PICC. **X** f

I FL. f

II

I OB. f

II

I CL. f

II

I BSN. f pp

II

E 5 free time; triumphant accel. 15 - 17 sec.

I & II HN. f

III & IV

I TPT. II f

III

I TBN. f pp

II & III

TUBA f pp

E 5 free time; triumphant accel. 15 - 17 sec.

TIMP. **X** f

I Sus. Cymbal f

Triangle

PERC. II

Crash Cymbals f

III

E 5 free time; triumphant accel. 15 - 17 sec.

VLN. I tutti **X** f

VLN. II tutti f

VLA. div. tr. (c)

VLC. div. f

BS. **X** f pp

WE SEVEN

16 17 18 19 20

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majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

F $\frac{2}{4}$ free time; triumphant

8 - 10 sec.

PICC. $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{3}{4}$ **X** $\frac{5}{4} f$

FL. I $\frac{4}{4} \text{tr.}$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

II $\frac{4}{4} \text{tr.}$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

OB. I $\frac{4}{4} p \text{tr.}$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

II $\frac{4}{4} p \text{tr.}$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

CL. I $\frac{4}{4} p \text{tr.}$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

II $\frac{4}{4} p \text{tr.}$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

BSN. I $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

II $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

F $\frac{2}{4}$ free time; triumphant

8 - 10 sec.

I & II $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{3}{4} f$ **X** $\frac{5}{4} f$

HN. $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

III & IV $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

TPT. I $\frac{4}{4} p$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

II $\frac{4}{4} p$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

III $\frac{4}{4} p$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

I TBN. $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

II & III $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

TUBA $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

F $\frac{2}{4}$ free time; triumphant

8 - 10 sec.

TIMP. $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{3}{4} f$ **X** $\frac{5}{4} f$

I PERC. $\frac{4}{4} pp$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

II $\frac{4}{4} mf$ $\frac{5}{4} sim.$

III $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

F $\frac{2}{4}$ free time; triumphant

8 - 10 sec.

VLN. I $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{3}{4} f$ **X** $\frac{5}{4} f$

VLN. II $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{3}{4} f$ **X** $\frac{5}{4} f$

VLA. $\frac{15}{8} \text{ tutti}$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

VLC. $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{5}{4} f$

BS. $\frac{4}{4} f$ $\frac{3}{4} f$ **X** $\frac{5}{4} f$

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majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

G **free time; triumphant**

7 - 9 sec. **accel.**

PICC.
I FL. II FL. I OB. II OB. I CL. II CL. I BSN. II BSN.

majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

G **free time; triumphant**

7 - 9 sec. **accel.**

I & II HN. III & IV TPT. I TBN. II & III TUBA

majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

G **free time; triumphant**

7 - 9 sec. **accel.**

TIMP. I PERC. II III

majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

G **free time; triumphant**

7 - 9 sec. **accel.**

VLN. I VLN. II VLA. VLC. BS.

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H majestic (♩ = 76)

PICC.

I

FL.

II

I

OB.

II

I

CL.

II

I

BSN.

II

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H majestic (♩ = 76)

I & II

HN.

III & IV

I

TPT. II

III

I

TBN.

II & III

TUBA

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H majestic (♩ = 76)

TIMP.

I

PERC. II

III

H majestic (♩ = 76)

VLN. I

VLN. II

tutti

VLA.

VLC.

BS.

rit.

PICC. *f*

I FL. *f*

II

I OB. *f*

II

I CL. *f*

II

I BSN. *f*

II

I & II HN. *f*

III & IV

I TPT. *f*

II

III

I TBN. *f*

II & III

TUBA

TIMP. *f*
[Sus. Cymbal]

PERC. II

III

VLN. I *f*

VLN. II

VLA.

VLC.

BS.

WE SEVEN

36 37 38 39

WE SEVEN

free time; atmospheric

a tempo

PICC. I FL. II I OB. II I CL. II I BSN. II

X

18 - 19 SEC.

4

a tempo

a tempo

I & II
HN.
III & IV
I
TPT. II
III
I
TBN.
II & III
TUBA

X

15 - 17 sec.

4

a tempo

a tempo

TIMP. G,A,C,E

I

PERC. II

III

X

15 - 17 sec.

4

improvise freely and very sporadically with given instruments (in any order)

Tam-Tam & Sus. Cymbals bowed

pp

bowed

Crotales

a tempo

WE SEVEN

12

J slow, atmospheric ($\text{J} = 60$)

PICC.

I FL.

II

I OB.

II

I CL.

II

I BSN.

II

J slow, atmospheric ($\text{J} = 60$)

I & II HN.

III & IV

I

TPT. II

III

I TBN.

II & III

TUBA

J slow, atmospheric ($\text{J} = 60$)

TIMP.

I Vibraphone

Tam-Tam & Sus. Cymbals

PERC. II

III Crotales

J slow, atmospheric ($\text{J} = 60$)

VLN. I harmonics div. en 3

VLN. II harmonics div. en 3

VLA.

VLC.

BS. ppp

47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55

K

PICC.

I FL.

II

I OB.

II

I CL.

II

I BSN.

II

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K

II. open

I & II HN.

III & IV

I

TPT. II

III

I TBN.

II & III

TUBA

PERUSA

K

TIMP.

I

PERC. II

III

K

VLN. I

VLN. II

VLA.

VLC.

BS.

56 57 58 59 60 61 62

PICC.

I FL. II

OB. II

CL. I II

BSN. I II

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I & II HN.

III & IV TPT. II

I TBN. II & III

TUBA

TIMP.

Vibr. I

PERC. II

III

VLN. I

VLN. II

VLA.

VLC.

BS.

WE SEVEN

63 64 65 66

rallentando

WE SEVEN
($\text{♩} = 42$)

3
4

PICC. *f* *fp*

I *f* *fp*

FL. *f* *fp*

II *f* *fp*

I OB. *f* *fp*

II OB. *f* *fp*

CL. *f* *fp*

II CL. *f* *fp*

I BSN. *f* *fp*

II BSN. *f* *fp*

rallentando

(WE SEVEN)
($\text{♩} = 42$)

3
4

I & II HN. *fp*

III & IV HN. *fp*

I TPT. *f*

II TPT. *f*

III TPT. *f*

I TBN. *f*

II & III TBN. *f*

TUBA *f*

rallentando

(WE SEVEN)
($\text{♩} = 42$)

3
4

TIMP. *f*

I PERC. *f*

II PERC. *f*

III PERC. *f*

VLN. I *f*

VLN. II *f*

VLA. *f*

VLC. *f*

BS. *f*

PERFUSION

16 L stately; lush ($\text{♩} = 42$)

WE SEVEN

PICC.

I FL.

II

I OB.

II

I CL.

II

BSN.

II

L stately; lush ($\text{♩} = 42$)

This page contains ten staves for woodwind and brass instruments. The instrumentation includes Piccolo, Flute I, Flute II, Oboe I, Oboe II, Clarinet I, Clarinet II, Bassoon I, Bassoon II, Horn I & II, Trombone III & IV, Trombone I, Trombone II, Trombone III, Tuba, Timpani, Percussion I, Percussion II, and Percussion III. The music consists of six measures of eighth-note patterns followed by a repeat sign and six more measures. Dynamics range from ff to p . Measure 70 ends with a dynamic of mp .

COPY

I & II HN.

a2

III & IV

I

TPT. II

III

I

TBN.

II & III

TUBA

L stately; lush ($\text{♩} = 42$)

This page continues the musical score with brass and percussion sections. It includes staves for Horn I & II, Trombone III & IV, Trombone I, Trombone II, Trombone III, Tuba, Timpani, Percussion I, Percussion II, and Percussion III. The music follows a similar pattern of measures and dynamics as the previous page, ending with a dynamic of p in measure 76.

COPY

TIMP.

Sus. Cymbal

I

Tam-Tam

PERC. II

III

Chimes

L stately; lush ($\text{♩} = 42$)

This page shows the Timpani and Percussion sections. The Timpani part includes a note labeled "Sus. Cymbal". The Percussion section includes "Tam-Tam" and "Chimes". The music consists of six measures of eighth-note patterns followed by a repeat sign and six more measures, ending with a dynamic of p in measure 76.

VLN. I

sul A

VLN. II div. en 3

sul E

sul G

div.

VLA.

VLC.

BS.

L stately; lush ($\text{♩} = 42$)

This page features the String section, including Violin I, Violin II, Viola, Cello, and Double Bass. The Violin I part includes markings "sul A" and "sul E". The Violin II part includes "sul G" and "div.". The music consists of six measures of eighth-note patterns followed by a repeat sign and six more measures, ending with a dynamic of p in measure 76.

M slow, atmospheric ($\text{♩} = 60$)

PICC. I FL. II OB. I CL. II BSN. I BSN. II

I & II HN. III & IV TPT. I TBN. II & III TUBA

TIMP. I Tam-Tam & Sus. Cymbals II Crotales III

VLN. I div. en 3 VLN. II div. en 3 VLA. VLC. div. en 2 BS.

WE SEVEN

OPUS 1

77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85

This page contains musical notation for a seven-piece ensemble. The instrumentation includes Piccolo (PICC.), Flute (FL.), Oboe (OB.), Clarinet (CL.), Bassoon (BSN.), Horn (HN.), Trombone (TPT.), Bass Trombone (TBN.), Tuba (TUBA), Timpani (TIMP.), and Percussion (PERC.). The music is marked "slow, atmospheric" with a tempo of $\text{♩} = 60$. Measure numbers 77 through 85 are indicated at the bottom of the page. The score features various dynamics such as *mp*, *pp*, *mf*, and *ppp*, along with specific performance instructions like "solo" and "cup mute". Large, semi-transparent text "WE SEVEN" and "OPUS 1" are overlaid on the score. A large, stylized "OPUS 1" watermark is also present across the page.

18 WE SEVEN
N 5 free time; triumphant accel.

PICC. f 15 - 17 sec. 4

I f 4

FL. f 4

II tr. (e) f 4

OB. f 4

II tr. (e) f 4

I f 4

CL. f 4

II f 4

I (e) f 4

BSN. f pp 4

II (e) f pp 4

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N 5 free time; triumphant accel. 15 - 17 sec. 4

I & II X 4

HN. f 4

III & IV f 4

I f fp f 4

TPT. II f fp f 4

III f 4

I (e) f 4

TBN. f pp 4

II & III f pp 4

TUBA f pp 4

N 5 free time; triumphant accel. 15 - 17 sec. 4

TIMP. X A.B.C.E Sus. Cymbal f 4

I (e) f mf 4

PERC. II (e) f Crash Cymbals mf sim. 4

III f 4

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N 5 free time; triumphant accel. 15 - 17 sec. 4

VLN. I tutti f 4

VLN. II f 4

VLA. div. tr. (e) f 4

VLC. div. f 4

BS. X (e) f 4

pp 4

86 87 88 89 90

majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

WE SEVEN

91

92

93

94

majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

WE SEVEN

91

92

93

94

majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

WE SEVEN

91

92

93

94

majestic ($\text{J} = 76$)

WE SEVEN

91

92

93

94

rit.

Musical score for WE SEVEN, page 20. The score includes parts for PICC., I FL., II FL., I OB., II OB., CL., II CL., I BSN., II BSN., I & II HN., III & IV HN., I TPT., II TPT., III TPT., I TBN., II & III TBN., TUBA, TIMP., I PERC., II PERC., III PERC., VLN. I, VLN. II, VLA., VLC., and BS. The score consists of four systems of music, numbered 95 through 98. The instrumentation varies by system. Measure 95 features woodwind entries. Measure 96 shows a transition with dynamic markings like *p*, *f*, and *fp*. Measures 97 and 98 feature brass and percussion entries, with measures 97 ending with a ritardando. The score concludes with a final dynamic marking in measure 98.

slow, atmospheric ($\text{♩} = 60$)

PICC.

I FL. *mp* — *pp*

II OB. *mp* — *pp*

I CL. *p*

II CL. *mf* — *f*

I BSN. *mf* — *f*

II BSN. *mf* — *f*

OPUS

slow, atmospheric ($\text{♩} = 60$)

I & II HN. *mp*

III & IV TPT. I *mp*

TPT. II *mp*

III TPT. III *mp*

I TBN. *mp*

II & III TUBA *mp*

PERFECT

slow, atmospheric ($\text{♩} = 60$)

TIMP. *pp*

I PERC. II *pp*

PERC. III *pp*

PERFECT

slow, atmospheric ($\text{♩} = 60$)

VLN. I *mp* — *pp*

VLN. II *mp*

VLA. *mf* — *f*

VLC. *mf* — *f*

BS. *mf* — *f*

PERFECT

99

100

101

102

103

104

rit. slow, fading ($\text{J} = 60$)

PICC. -

I FL. -

II FL. -

I OB. -

II OB. -

I CL. solo $\text{ppp} \xrightarrow{\text{mf}} \text{p} \xleftarrow{\text{mf}} \text{ppp}$

II CL. n

I BSN. solo $\text{ppp} \xleftarrow{\text{mf}} \text{p} \xrightarrow{\text{mf}} \text{ppp}$

II BSN. n

rit. slow, fading ($\text{J} = 60$)

I & II HN. n

III & IV HN. n

I TPT. mp

II TPT. mp

III TPT. mp

I TBN. mp

II & III TBN. mp

TUBA n

rit. slow, fading ($\text{J} = 60$)

TIMP. -

I PERC. Vibraphone solo p

II PERC. Tam-Tam scrape p

III PERC. Chimes solo p

rit. slow, fading ($\text{J} = 60$)

VLN. I div. con sord. $\text{ppp} \xrightarrow{\text{pp}} \text{* sim.}$

VLN. II div. con sord. $\text{ppp} \xrightarrow{\text{pp}} \text{* sim.}$

VLA. n

VLC. n

BS. pp

105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115