



On the 2^d Position, lying between the 1st and 3^d

The preceding exercises in passing from the 1st to the 3^d position, having given the pupil sufficient practice in shifting, it is well now to introduce the 2^d position by progressive exercises. This manner of proceeding will have the advantage of showing the pupil in what cases that position is used; moreover, it will make it easier to reach, as similar or corresponding passages, with the same fingerings for the corresponding notes, are given in the 1st, 2^d and 3^d positions.

2^d position

3^d position

2^d position 3^d position * 0 I *

* For the sake of brevity, the position will hereafter be indicated by a simple Roman numeral (I, II, III, etc.)



Scale of G major in the 2d Position



Scale of C major in the 2^d Position

The sheet music consists of five staves of musical notation for violin. Staff 7 starts with a quarter note followed by eighth-note pairs. Staff 8 starts with a quarter note followed by sixteenth-note pairs. The subsequent staves continue this pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes, with fingerings indicated above the notes. The fingering '2' is shown above the first note of each staff, and '1' is shown above the second note of each staff.

Keep the first and fourth fingers on the strings as long as possible.

The sheet music consists of five staves of musical notation for violin, all in G major. The staves are identical to the ones above, showing eighth and sixteenth-note patterns with fingerings '2' and '1'. The key signature changes from C major to G major at the beginning of the fifth staff.

ÉTUDE

1st, 2^d and 3^d Positions

Moderato *largamente*

This image shows the first ten measures of a musical score for violin and piano. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is for the violin, which is written in common time (indicated by 'C'). The bottom staff is for the piano. The music begins with a dynamic of *f*. The violin part features various弓法 (bowing) techniques, including *pizz.* (pizzicato), *sfz.* (sfz), and *sf* (sf). The piano part provides harmonic support with sustained notes and rhythmic patterns. Measure 10 concludes with a dynamic of *f*.

ETUDE

(1) Two bows to each measure, very slowly.

Andante

The sheet music contains ten staves of sixteenth-note exercises for violin. The key signature is G minor (two flats). The time signature is 2/4. Measure 1 begins with a 'dolce' dynamic. Measures 2 through 10 feature various bowing patterns and dynamics, with specific counts labeled above certain notes: '1', '2', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7', and '8'. The music is intended to be played with two bows per measure, very slowly.



ÉTUDE

To be practised at first with broad detached strokes, from middle to point.

Moderato

The sheet music contains ten staves of musical notation for piano. The key signature is one flat, and the time signature is 3/4. The music is marked "Moderato". The notation includes various slurs, grace notes, and dynamic markings such as "mf" and "p". The purpose of the study is to practice finger independence and coordination, as indicated by the instruction "To be practised at first with broad detached strokes, from middle to point."



The Octave

Preparatory Exercises

1

2

Keep the fingers on the strings.

3

ÉTUDE

N.B. Keep the 1st and 4th fingers down; lift them only to change fingerings or strings.

Moderato

mf



Same Exercise with Grand détaché

f

DOUBLE-STOPPING

The pupil finds difficulty in distinguishing between major and minor intervals. Besides the fact that his ear is not trained to recognize two tones at once, he has no exact idea how near together or far apart are the tones forming these two intervals. In order to render the work clearer and easier we shall begin with broken intervals.

The Sixth, starting from the Octave

Without lifting the finger to pass from one octave to another.

Movement of the wrist.

1

2

3

4

5

6

Keep the 1st and 4th fingers on the string.

2

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4

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In playing sixths, the interval of separation between the fingers is either one or two half-steps, according to the key; in thirds the interval of separation (not of pitch) of the fingers is either three or four half-steps. In order that the pupil may not be in doubt when he has to play two notes at one time, we shall employ the following graphic signs: — indicates, in sixths, that the fingers are two half-steps apart; in thirds, that they are four half-steps apart;] indicates, in sixths, that the fingers are one half-step apart; in thirds, that they are three half-steps apart. To sum up, in either sixths or thirds, — indicates the larger interval of separation between the fingers.

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