

025:250 COMPOSITION: ELECTRONIC MEDIA I

Fall 2010

Assignment 2, Part I

1. Overview of Assignment 2.
 - a. It will be presented in class Oct. 4-6.
 - b. Part I of the assignment is described below. The purpose is to reverse and transpose the sound-classes created in Assignment 1.
 - c. In Part II, to be discussed in class, all of the sound-classes will be used in Pro Tools to create sound-objects, where a dominant sound is chosen and attack(s) and tail(s) are added.

2. Create reversed sound-classes as follows:
 - a. Make a copy of the sound-classes presented as part of Assignment 1 and attach the letter P as a suffix to the file name.
 - b. Reverse every sound-class and use fade in/out to shape the sound.
 - c. Attach the letter R as a suffix to the file name.
 - d. Discard sounds without promise.
 - e. Use batch processing to change the pitch of the reversed sounds by + 10 cents. In class discussion of the rationale for doing this.
 - f. Use the suffix "+10".
 - g. Once the new files have been created, discard all of the R sounds.
 - h. Remove the suffix "+10".
 - i. In total, you should have all of your original sound-classes from Assignment 1 with the letter P as the suffix.
 - j. You should have a number of reversed sound-classes with the letter R as the suffix.

3. Multiply the number of sound-classes using the batch processor to change pitch as follows:
 - a. Change pitch by 0 semitones, using the suffix "+00".
 - b. Change pitch by -1 semitones, using the suffix "-01".
 - c. Repeat 2b above for -2, +1, +2 semitones.
 - d. Change pitch by -18, -27, -40, 27, 40, 53 semitones.
 - e. Consider working with the promising sounds of 2d above using normalize, fades, and graphic eq.
 - f. Discard sounds without promise.
 - g. Clean up all sounds by removing excess silence and normalizing.
 - h. Store all sound-classes to be used in Part II of the assignment in one folder.