

CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC COLLEGE OF CREATIVE ARTS UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MARA

MUF655 RESEARCH PROJECT

Approach of Alternative and Art-rock Styles of Radiohead: Timesignatures and Syncopations used in Radiohead's 'Videotape'

> HAZEEQ AMIN BIN AZHAR 2019268182

> > MU221SEM5 2022

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Thanks to Almighty God in giving the consent by his grace I am willing to complete this study. I would like to express my deep and sincere gratitude to my research supervisor, Prof. Madya Dr. Valerie Ross for giving me the opportunity to do research and providing invaluable guidance throughout this research. Her dynamism, positivity, sincerity, and motivation have all left an indelible impression on me. She taught me how to conduct this research in the most clear and concise manner possible. Working and studying under her direction was wonderful honour and privilege. I am appreciative for everything she has done for me. I'd also like to express my gratitude for her friendship, sensitivity, and good humour.

I would also like to convey my appreciation and thousands of thanks to my wonderful classmates, my friends, and to the people that have contributed to the process of finishing my thesis. I am extremely grateful to my parents for their support, prayers, and sacrifices for my education and my future. I am very thankful to my siblings for their support and valuable prayers. My special thanks go to my dear friends, Anis Amira binti Mohd. Ithnin, Zurfahani Batrisya binti Zaidi Shamsul Bahri, Haikal Naim bin Abd Ghani, and Nurul Iva binti Mohd Muzamli who always believed in me, helping me throughout this journey of finishing my research project.

ABSTRACT

This paper aims to investigate the approach of alternative and art-rock styles of Radiohead: Time-signatures and syncopations used in Radiohead's 'Videotape'. The prominent features of time-signatures and syncopations are a unique way of constructing a composition. The purpose of this research is as a contribution of knowledge for other composers that are interested to compose a song with a complex time-signatures and syncopated rhythms in their compositions. The objectives of this research are to ascertain the alternative, and art-rock styles of Radiohead and to investigate the use of time-signatures and syncopations of the composition 'Videotape' by the British rock band, Radiohead.

TABLE OF CONTENT

17

17

- 3.1.2 Qualitative Research Methodologies 17-18
- 3.1.3 Characteristics of Qualitative Research18
- 3.1.4 Significance of Qualitative Research 19

Declaration of Authorship	ii
Acknowledgement	iii
Abstract	iv
Table Of Content	v-vi
List of Figures	vii-viii

CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background	1
1.2 Problem Statement / Rationale	2
1.3 Objectives	2
1.4 Research Questions	3
1.5 Significance of Study / Limitations	3

CHAPTER 2: LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Radiohead Band	4-5
2.2 Alternative and Art-Rock Style	5-13
2.3 Videotape	13-14
2.4 Use of Time-Signatures and Syncopations	14-16

CHAPTER 3: METHODOLOGY

3.1 Qualitative Research

3.1.1 Qualitative Definition

	3.2 Research Design Flow	20-21
CHAPTER 4:	DATA ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS	
	4.1 Compositional Score Analysis of	22-32
	'Videotape' by Radiohead4.2 Performance Observations of'Videotape' by Radiohead	32-41
CHAPTER 5:	CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS	
	5.1 Introduction	42
	5.2 Conclusion	42
	5.3 Recommendation	42-43
REFERENCE	S	44-46
APPENDICES	5	47
Appendix A:	Full composition score of 'Videotape'	48-51
	by Radiohead	
Appendix B:	Transcription score of syncopated	52
	rhythms	
Appendix C:	Figures	53-66